# SECTION 311400 – Site clearing

1. GENERAL
   1. RELATED DOCUMENTS
      1. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 01 Specification sections, apply to this section.
   2. SUMMARY
      1. Provide all labor, materials and equipment as necessary to complete all work as indicated on the Drawings and specified herein.
      2. This Section includes sod and topsoil stripping.
      3. Related sections include the following:
         1. Division 01 Section “General Requirements - Temporary Facilities and Controls.”
         2. Division 02 Section “Site Demolition.”
         3. Division 31 Section “Earthwork.”
   3. DEFINITIONS
      1. Topsoil: Friable clay loam surface soil containing 2.5% to 12% organic matter. Topsoil shall be free of subsoil, clay lumps, stones, rocks, weeds, roots, construction debris, and other unsuitable materials as determined and approved by the Project Representative.
   4. PLANT PROTECTION
      1. Refer to Division 01 Section “General Requirements - Temporary Facilities and Controls.”
2. PRODUCTS

Not Used.

1. EXECUTION
   1. SOD STRIPPING
      1. Stripping and stockpiling sod shall be done under reasonably dry conditions. Secure approval of soil quality in advance from the Project Representative to begin sod stripping. Sod removal shall include the entire root system but not an excess amount of topsoil. Contractor shall haul the sod to a campus location, as directed.
   2. TOPSOIL STRIPPING
      1. Stripping and stockpiling topsoil shall be done under reasonably dry conditions. Stripping and stockpiling under wet conditions will not be allowed.
      2. Contractor shall strip available topsoil to its full depth from within the Contract limits, excluding areas in close proximity to trees designated to remain, unless otherwise specified or directed by the Project Representative.
      3. Contractor shall stockpile topsoil in a storage pile in an area shown on the Drawings or as directed by the Project Representative. Storage pile shall be shaped to freely drain surface water during and after stockpiling operations. Excess topsoil shall be hauled by the Contractor and stockpiled on the Owner’s property as directed by the Project Representative. The stockpile shall be protected from soil and sediment erosion as required elsewhere in these Specifications.

END OF SECTION 311400