



*Alternative Sandbags for Public Roads 07H .0308*  
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# *Update from the August 2025 CRC Meeting*

- DOT contacted DCM staff with a revised request
  - Increase base width from 20 to 30 feet
  - Increase total height from 6 to 10 feet
- NC DOT has indicated that these revisions would assist with the ability to lower the elevation of the sandbag structure to better protect the alignment from being undermined by wave action.

## 07H .0308(b)(2)(L-O)

(L) Sandbags used to construct temporary erosion control structures shall be tan in color and 3 to 5 feet wide and 7 to 15 feet long when measured flat. Base width of the temporary erosion control structure shall not exceed 20 feet, and the total height shall not exceed 6 feet, as measured from the bottom of the lowest bag.

(M) Soldier pilings and other types of devices to anchor sandbags shall not be allowed.

(N) Existing sandbag structures may be repaired or replaced within their originally permitted dimensions during the time period allowed under Part (F) or (G) of this Subparagraph.

(O) Sandbags used to construct temporary erosion control structures to protect public roads are not subject to the color and size limitations in 07H .0308(b)(2)(L). Base width of the temporary erosion control structures to protect public roads shall not exceed ~~20~~ 30 feet, and the total height shall not exceed ~~6~~ 10 feet, as measured from the bottom of the lowest bag.