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Subject: Seed substitution - Rural Stabilizing (2025 construction season)

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Due to anticipated seed shortage of Canada wildrye for the 2025 construction season, Roadside Development and the Construction & Materials Bureau have recommended an allowable change to the DOT's rural stabilizing crop seeding mix as follows:

2601.03, C, 1, b, Seed Mixture.

Add note to Table 2601.03-1:

*For 2025 construction season only, Canada wildrye (Elymus canadensis) may be substituted with an equal application rate of Virginia wildrye (Elymus virginicus).

Contracts will be adding proposal notes beginning with the April 2025 letting through the September 2025 letting. If these substitutions are needed for projects already let, they should be addressed with a mutual benefit contract modification.

Thanks, Melissa

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