1. Unless otherwise shown on the plans or specified in the special provisions, the contractor shall have the option of selecting the class of RCP and the method of backfill to be used, provided the height of cover does not exceed the value shown for the RCP selected.
2. The class of RCP, method of backfill and bedding selected shall be the same throughout the length of any given culvert.
3. The "length of any culvert" is defined as the culvert between:
   a) The inlet and outlet end of the culvert when there are no intervening structures.
   b) A drainage structure and the inlet or outlet end of the culvert.
4. Slope or shore excavation sides as necessary.
5. Embankment height prior to excavation for installation of all classes of RCP under Methods 2 and 3 shall be as follows:
   - Pipe sizes 1'-0" to 3'-0", I.D. = 2'-0"
     - Pipe sizes 4'-0" to 7'-0", I.D. = 2'-0"
     - Pipe sizes larger than 7'-0", I.D. = 3'-0"
   - 26. The maximum size for all classes of RCP placed under Method 1 is 6'-6" I.D.
   - 27. Non-reinforced precast pipe sizes 3'-0" or smaller may also be placed under Methods 2 and 3.
   - 28. Oval or arch shaped RCP shall be placed under Method 1 only.

Excavation and Backfill

Excavation and backfill requirements govern over the 90% relative compaction requirement within 2'-0" of finished grade.

The fill height allowed shall not exceed that shown for the cast-in-place pipe.