

104-6 Wick Drain or Sand Drain Fields

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Wick drains, sand drains, and horizontal strip drains serve a similar purpose as subdrains – to remove subsurface water. However, wick drains, sand drains, and horizontal strip drains use aggregate to transport water rather than a pipe. A sand drain field is simply a group of sand drains used to drain an area.

Refer to Section [2112](#) of the Standard Specifications for more information regarding wick drains. Like wick drains, sand drains and horizontal strip drains are a 2112 bid item.

Contact Soils Design Section in the Office of Design for assistance with filling out Tab 104-6.