SECTION 107 of the Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, Edition of 2014, is hereby amended as follows:

The following is hereby added after the first bullet of the first paragraph of Subsection 107.10 Restraining Conditions (a), General:

- Human remains, burials, and/or associated burial artifacts

The following is hereby added after the second paragraph of Subsection 107.10 (b), Restraining Conditions Within the Right-of-Way:

When restraining conditions under (1) and (2) below are encountered, the following provisions should be executed.

1. If archeological sites and/or historically significant cultural resources are unexpectedly impacted or subsequently discovered during construction, the Contractor shall stop work with no ground-disturbing activities occurring within a two hundred (200)-foot radius of the location of the discovery. The Engineer shall be notified immediately, who will then notify the Environmental Division. A Department staff archeologist will inspect the discovery and determine if the established buffer radius is appropriate. The radius may be decreased or increased based on the nature of the discovery at the discretion of the archeologist. Work in the buffer radius shall not resume until the Environmental Division has provided written notification to the Engineer that construction activities can proceed.

2. If human remains, burials, and/or associated burial artifacts are encountered during construction, the Contractor shall stop work with no ground-disturbing activities occurring within a two hundred (200)-foot radius of the location of the discovery and the location secured and protected by flagging or fencing. The human remains shall be covered with a canvas tarp and shall not be removed or collected. The Engineer shall be notified immediately, who then will notify the Environmental Division. A Department staff archeologist will inspect the remains and determine if the established buffer is appropriate. The radius may be decreased or increased based on the nature of the discovery at the discretion of the archeologist. The local law enforcement and Chief Medical Examiner will be notified by the Environmental Division. Work in the buffer radius shall not resume until the Environmental Division has provided written notification to the Engineer that construction activities can proceed.
The following is hereby added after the third sentence of the first paragraph of Subsection 107.10 (c), Restraining Conditions Outside the Right-of-Way, (2) Non-commercially Operated Site:

The Contractor shall limit the amount of acres submitted for an off-site location to no more than 10 acres, except for commercial areas, previously approved locations, or where previous ground disturbance exists. If a Contractor requires more than 10 acres for a proposed off-site location, the Contractor may, at no cost to the Department, acquire approval for use of the site from the State Historic Preservation Officer and a qualified archeological consultant.