NOTES:

1. A DIBBLE, IRON BAR, SOIL AUGER OR SIMILAR TOOL SHALL BE USED TO MAKE A PILOT HOLE FOR EACH LIVE STAKE.

2. THE DIAMETER OF THE PILOT HOLE SHALL BE LESS THAN THE NARROWEST DIAMETER OF THE LIVE STAKE TO ENSURE CONSISTENT SOIL-TO-LIVE STAKE CONTACT.

3. THE PILOT HOLE DEPTH SHALL BE APPROXIMATELY 4/5 THE LENGTH OF THE LIVE STAKE PRIOR TO INSTALLATION.

4. A DEAD BLOW HAMMER SHALL BE USED TO DRIVE THE LIVE STAKE INTO THE PILOT HOLE.

5. NO MORE THAN 2 BUDS OF THE LIVE STAKE SHALL EXTEND ABOVE THE SOIL SURFACE AFTER INSTALLATION. IF MORE THAN 2 BUDS REMAIN AFTER INSTALLATION, CUT THE LIVE STAKE 1” ABOVE THE SECOND BUD FROM THE GROUND WITH A STRAIGHT CUT.

6. LIVE STAKES DAMAGED AT THE TOP DURING INSTALLATION SHALL BE TRIMMED BACK TO AN UNDAMAGED CONDITION.

7. ALL LIVE STAKES SPLIT OR WITH LESS THAN 2 UNDAMAGED BUDS REMAINING ABOVEGROUND AFTER INSTALLATION MAY BE LEFT IN PLACE BUT MUST BE SUPPLEMENTED WITH A NEW LIVE STAKE THAT REMAINS WITH 2 UNDAMAGED BUDS ABOVEGROUND AFTER INSTALLATION.

8. IF SOIL VOIDS ARE PRESENT AROUND THE LIVE STAKE AFTER INSTALLATION, FILL VOID WITH A SOIL SLURRY. SOIL SLURRY IS MIXED IN A BUCKET FROM EQUAL PARTS WATER AND SOIL.