



NASTT No-Dig North Paper Review Check List

1. Housekeeping / General Items

- Is the paper on the correct template?
- Does the information on the paper match the information from the submittal (title, authors)?
- Does this paper show any indications of commercialism?
- Is the grammar acceptable?
- Is the writing clear and to the point?
- Are the graphics clear and easily read?
- Is the paper length appropriate? Typically papers are 6-10 pages.

2. Abstract

- Is the abstract a brief description of what is contained in the paper?
- Is the abstract the same or very similar to what was submitted to the committee?

3. Introduction

- Does the introduction explain the setting or background of the paper?
- Does the introduction set the stage for the body of the paper?

4. Body

- Does the body of the paper tell the story?
- Is the body broken into several subsections? Examples below:
 - Design, Geotechnical Conditions, Contracting, Construction, Challenges/Lessons Learned
 - Hypothesis, Testing Mechanisms/Research Studies, Results, Analysis
 - Description of Method, Applicable Soil Conditions, Challenging Applications, Case Histories

5. Conclusion

- Does the conclusion explain why the author wrote the paper?
- Does the conclusion explain everything clearly?

6. References

- Does the paper have references where the content is not original?
- Are the references standardized?

7. Red Flags (Please contact NASTT Staff if any of these statements receive a check mark)

- Does this paper degrade other products or accepted industry standards?
- Is this paper cited in any form of ongoing or pending litigation?