Table 401-1 Pipe Alternates for Culvert Classes						
Type of Pipe Depth of Cover (ft) (a)	Class A Culvert 0–10 (I)	Class B Culvert >10-16	Class C Culvert >16-23	Class D Culvert >23-33 (i)	Class E Culvert 0-3 (b)	Class F Drive Culvert (c)
Reinforced Concrete Pipe (d)	II	III	IV	V	IV	II
Nonreinforced Concrete Pipe (e)	1	3	No	No	No	1, 3 (f)
Corrugated and Spiral Ribbed Al- Alloy Pipe	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Corrugated and Spiral Ribbed Steel Pipe	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Smooth-Lined Corrugated Plastic Pipe (CPE) (g, j)	Yes (h)	Yes (k)	No	No	No	Yes (h)

- a. Cover, including the pavement structure is the height of fill above the top of the pipe.
- b. Class E culvert applies if the culvert is beneath the influence of proposed pavement and the depth of cover is 3 ft or less.
- c. Class F culvert applies for driveway culverts (residential and commercial).
- d. Roman numerals refer to class of reinforced concrete pipe in accordance with AASHTO M 170.
- e. Arabic numerals refer to the class of nonreinforced concrete pipe in accordance with AASHTO M 86.
- f. Nonreinforced concrete pipe Class 1 is allowed for Class F culverts with a depth of cover up to 10 ft.

 Nonreinforced concrete pipe Class 3 is allowed for Class F culverts with a depth of cover from 10 ft to 16 ft.
- g. Provide CPE in accordance with AASHTO M 294, Type S polyethylene pipe.
- h. Allowed only for no greater than 36 in diameter pipe for CPE pipes
- i. Special design is required for fill heights greater than 33 ft.
- j. At least 2 ft cover if the culvert is outside the influence of proposed pavement (measured from top of pipe to final grade)
- k. Allowed only for 12 in to 24 in diameter CPE pipes. Refer to the Class B Plastic Pipe Qualified Products List for approved manufacturers and products.
- Class A culvert applies if the culvert is outside the influence of proposed pavement or is beneath the influence of proposed pavement and the depth of cover is from 3 ft to 10 ft.