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MINIMUM STANDARDS TO BE USED
FOR THE DESIGN OF ENGINEERING
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TO REGULATE THE PROVISION OF
WORKS AND SERVICES UPON
SUBDIVISION OF LAND.**

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