SpecsIntact eLearning Modules Transcript

Module: Chapter 5 – Resolving Unknown Titles

This transcript provides the text from the corresponding eLearning Module. Screenshots have been added as a visual aid however, we highly recommend that you view the corresponding eLearning Module for in-depth visual representation of the subject matter.

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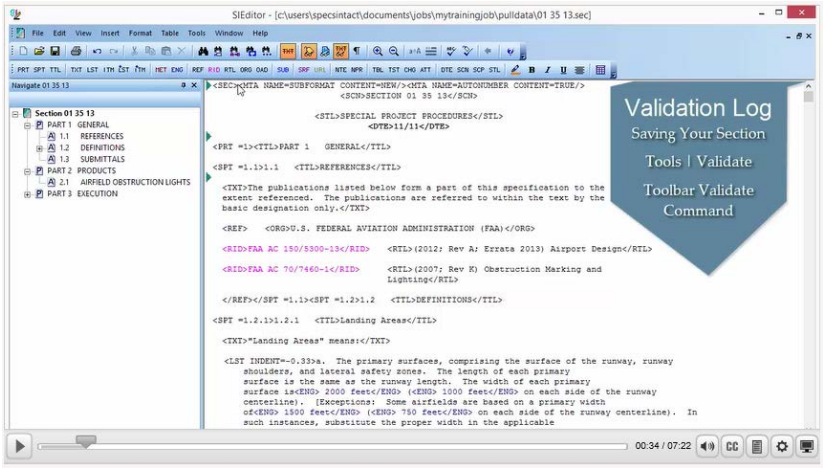
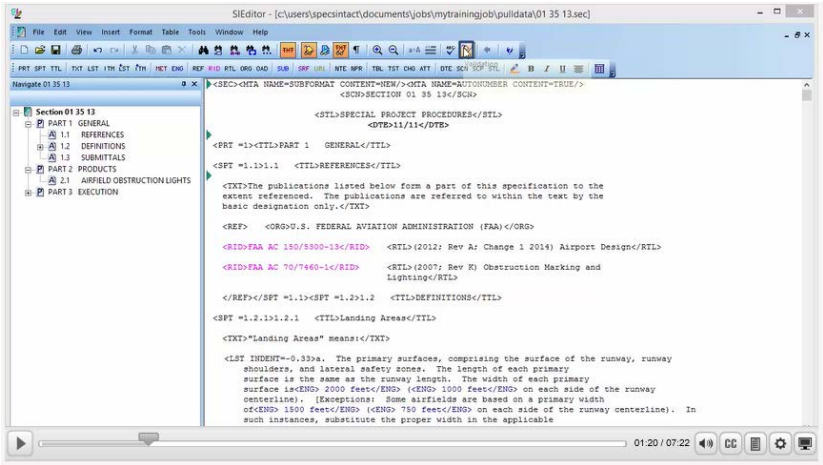
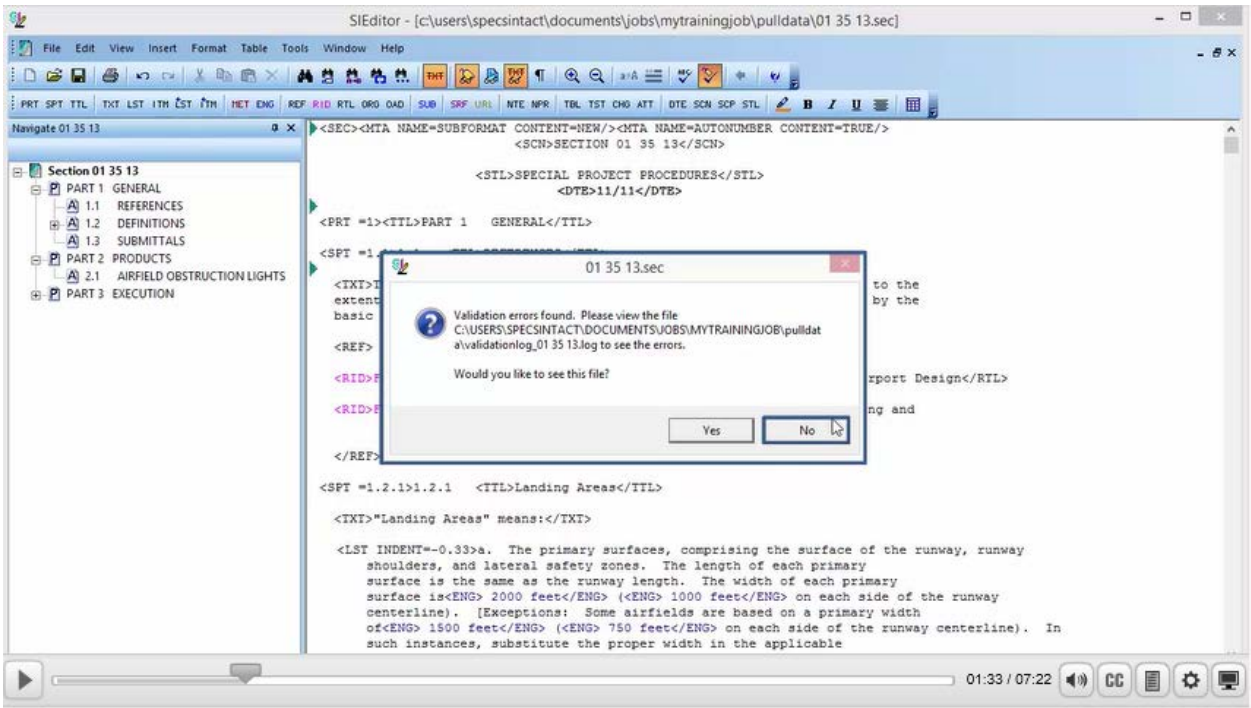
In This Chapter we will focus on Validation errors that are generated through the SpecsIntact Editor when tagging mistakes are made. There are several ways to invoke the Validation. This can be done by saving the Section file, selecting Tools and choosing Validate or by selecting the Validation Command located on the Editor's Toolbar. Whether the Validation is initiated by the save process or by your choosing, the Editor will validate the document requirements before the file is saved. The Validation verifies the tagging is correct and that you have followed the correct format. If the document fails validation, the Editor creates a Validation Log and prompts you to open the log to assist you in correcting the errors.



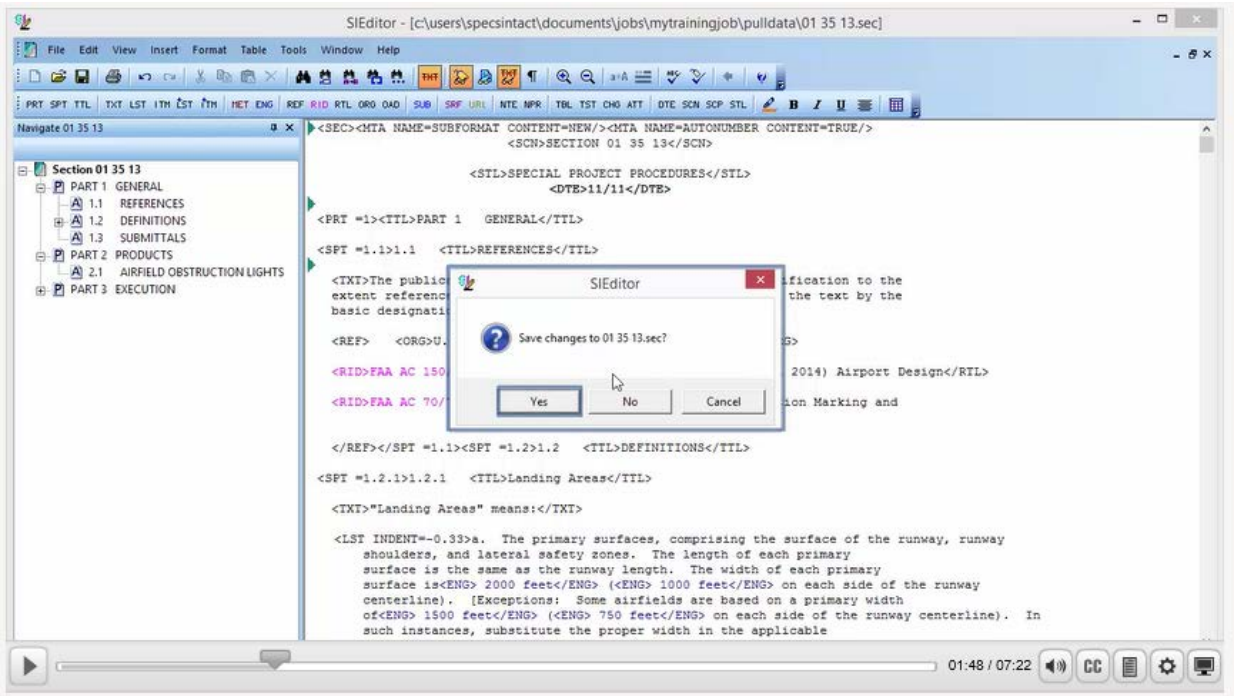
In this module we are going to focus on a specific Validation Error for Unknown Titles. I have opened Section 01 35 13 since I know this Section has a tagging issue that will generate the Validation Log. In order to see the process, let's go ahead and *select* the **Validation command** on the Editor's Toolbar.



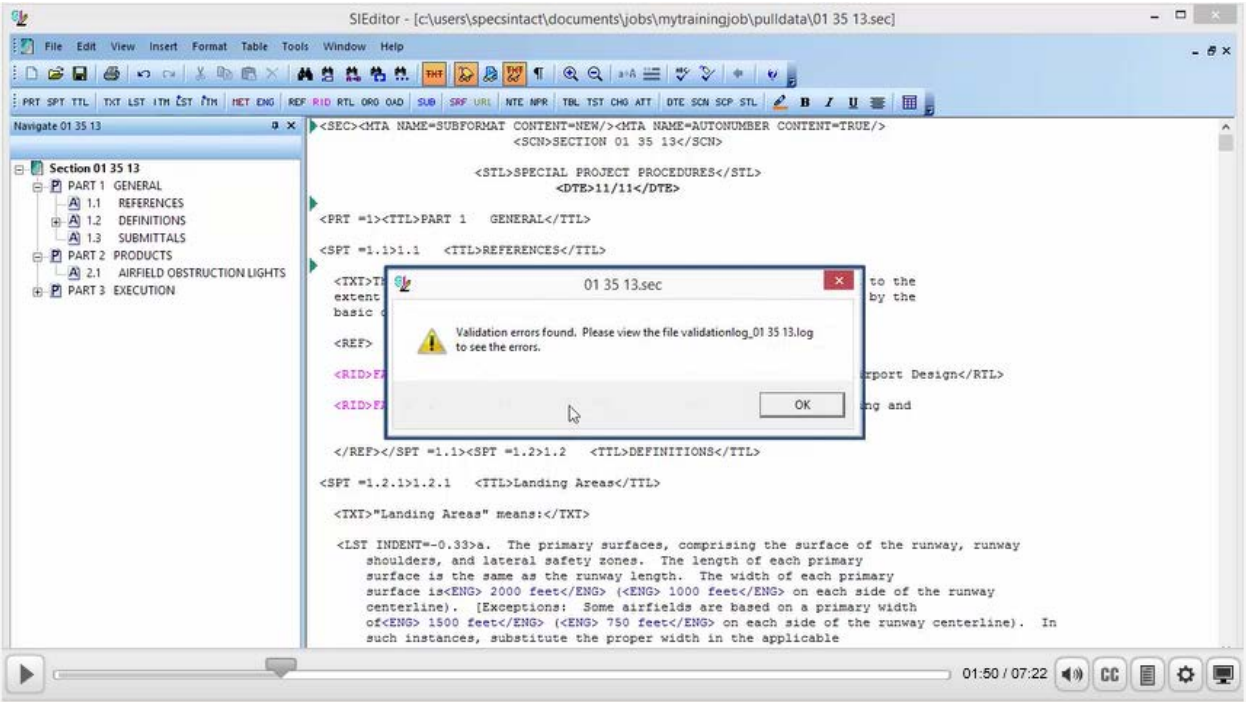
As you see a dialog box opens to let me know that Validation Errors are present and asks if I want to see this file. Before we choose Yes, I'd like to show you the results of *selecting* **No**.



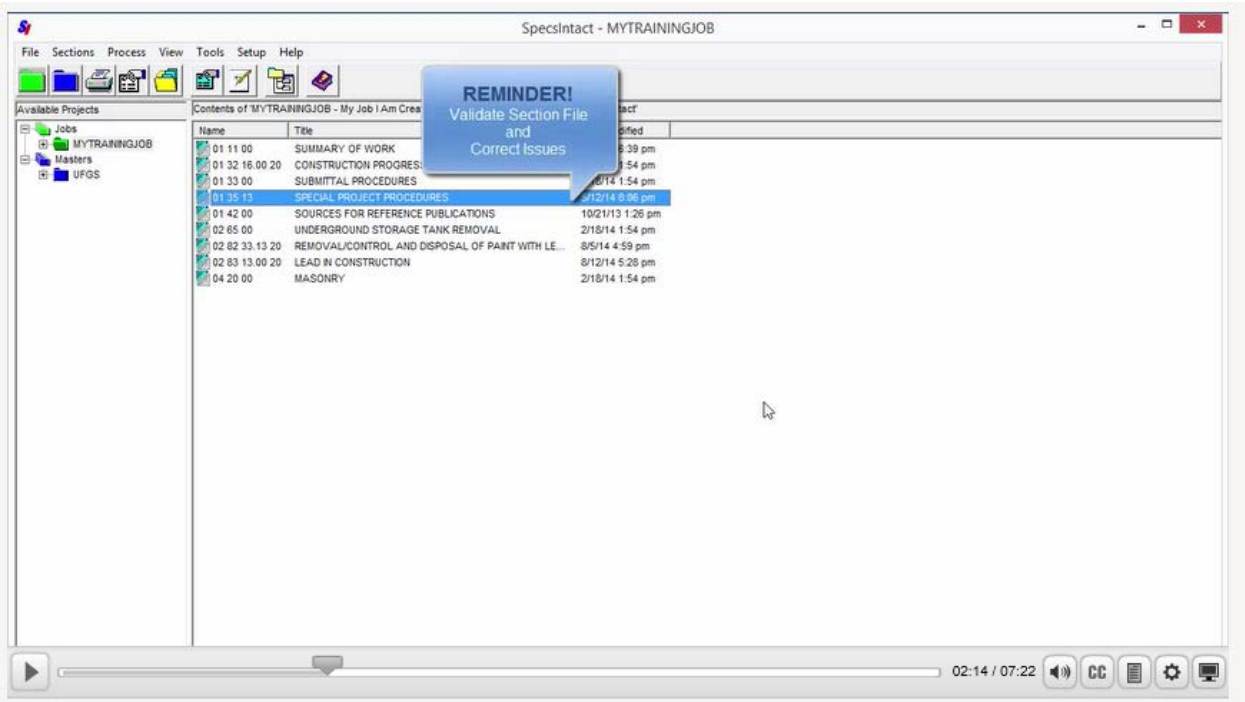
The dialog box closes and we are returned to the Section. When we *close* the **Section**, a message box appears asking if you want to save the Section. For this demonstration we're going to *choose* **Yes**.



Immediately another message appears informing us that Validation Errors were found, so let's go ahead and *select* **OK**.



As you see, the Section closes and we are returned to the SpecsIntact Explorer. Typically I do not recommend you ignore the warnings or wait to correct these errors, but sometimes it is necessary. I recommend making a note to remind yourself to Validate the Section to correct the errors before you continue to edit or even print the Section since it is important to resolve the errors prior to printing the reports!



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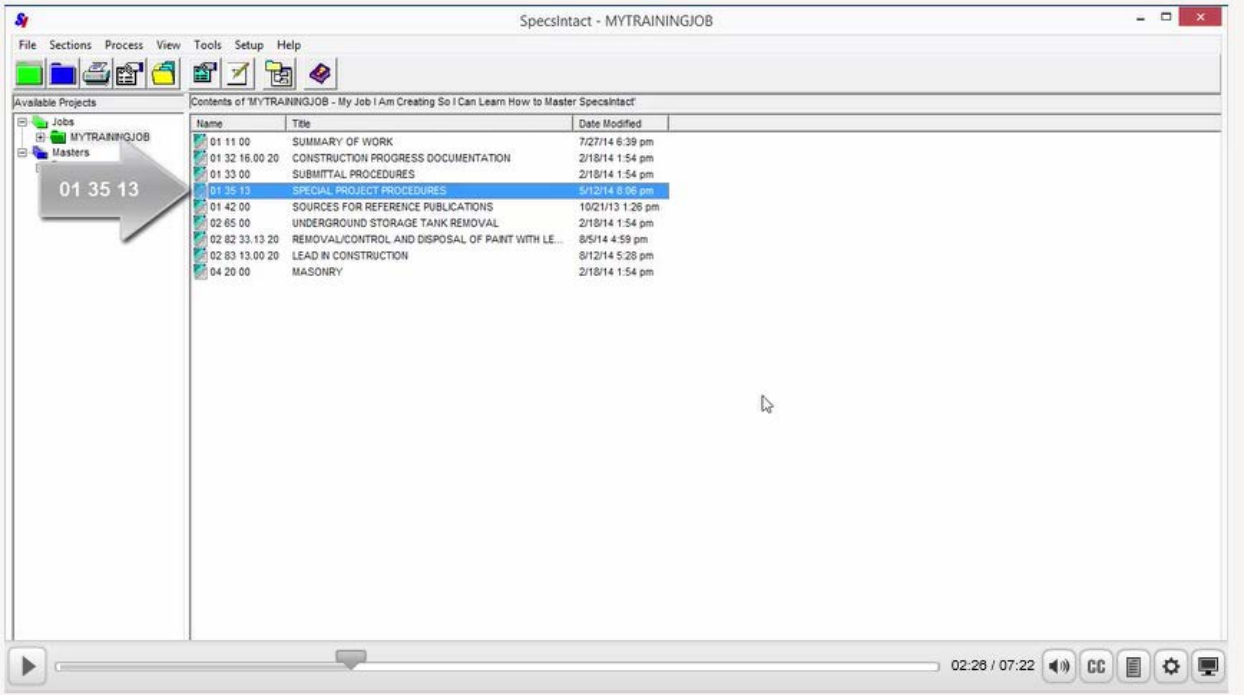
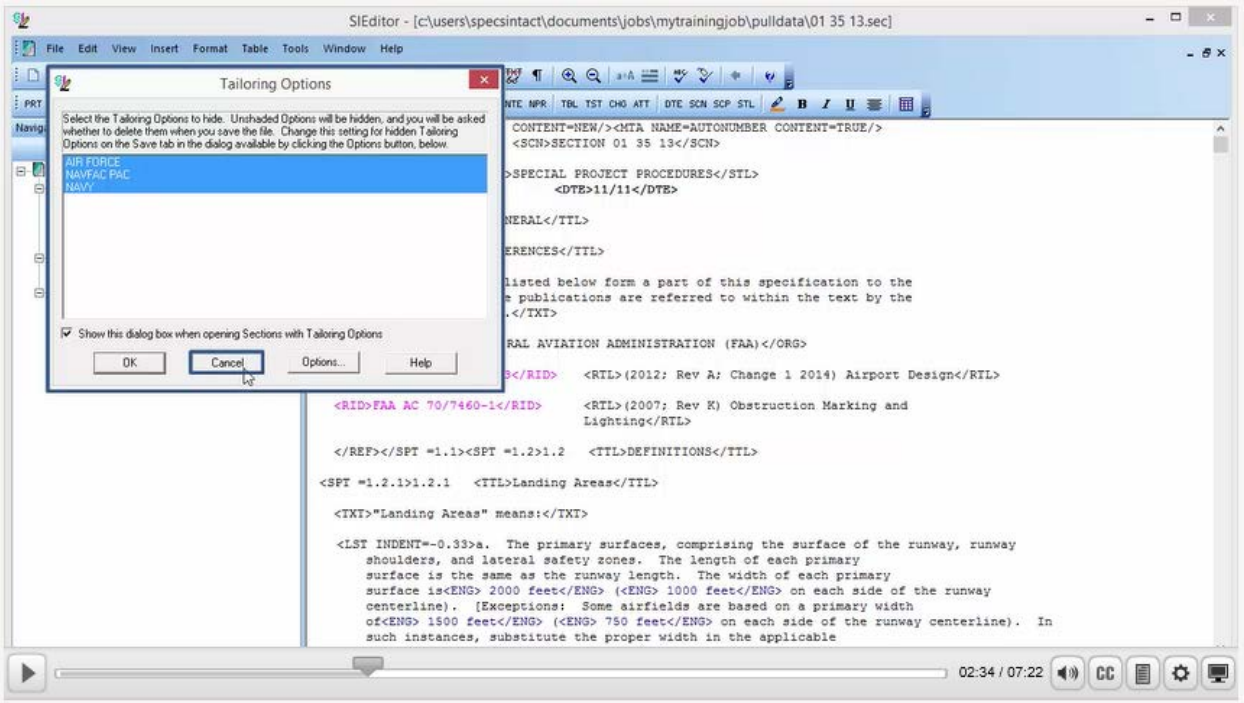
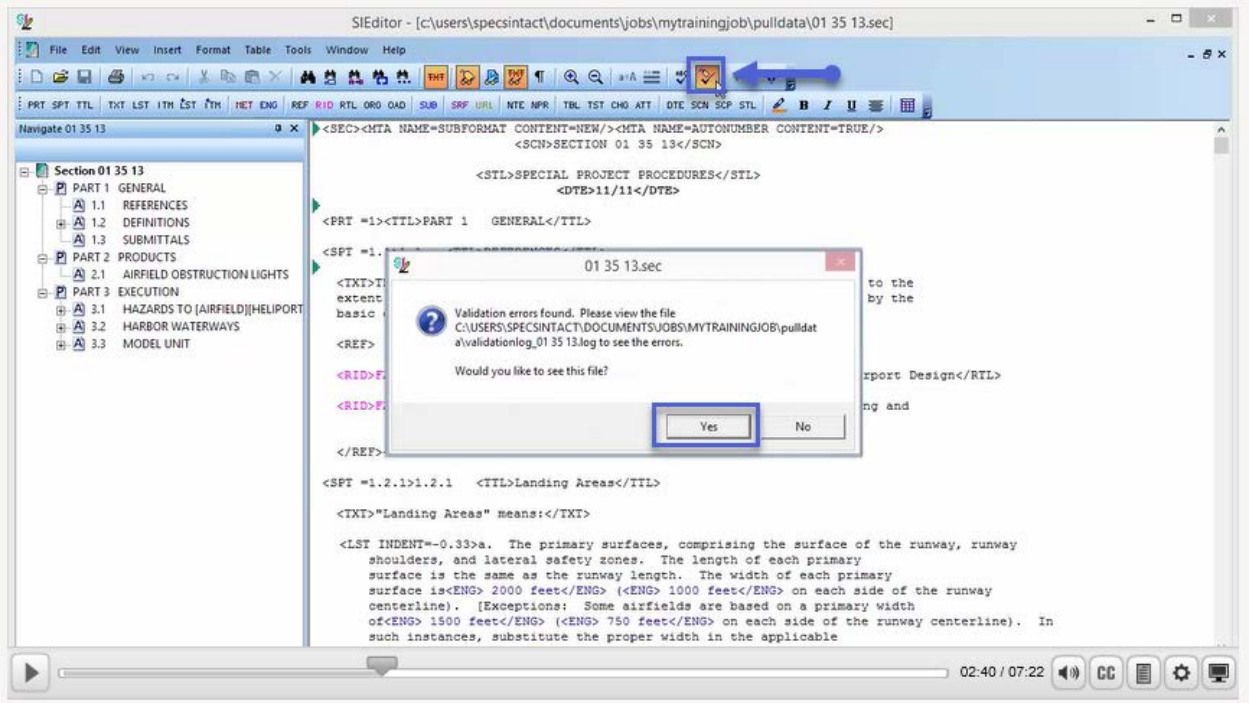
Let's go ahead and *re-open* **Section 01 35 13**.



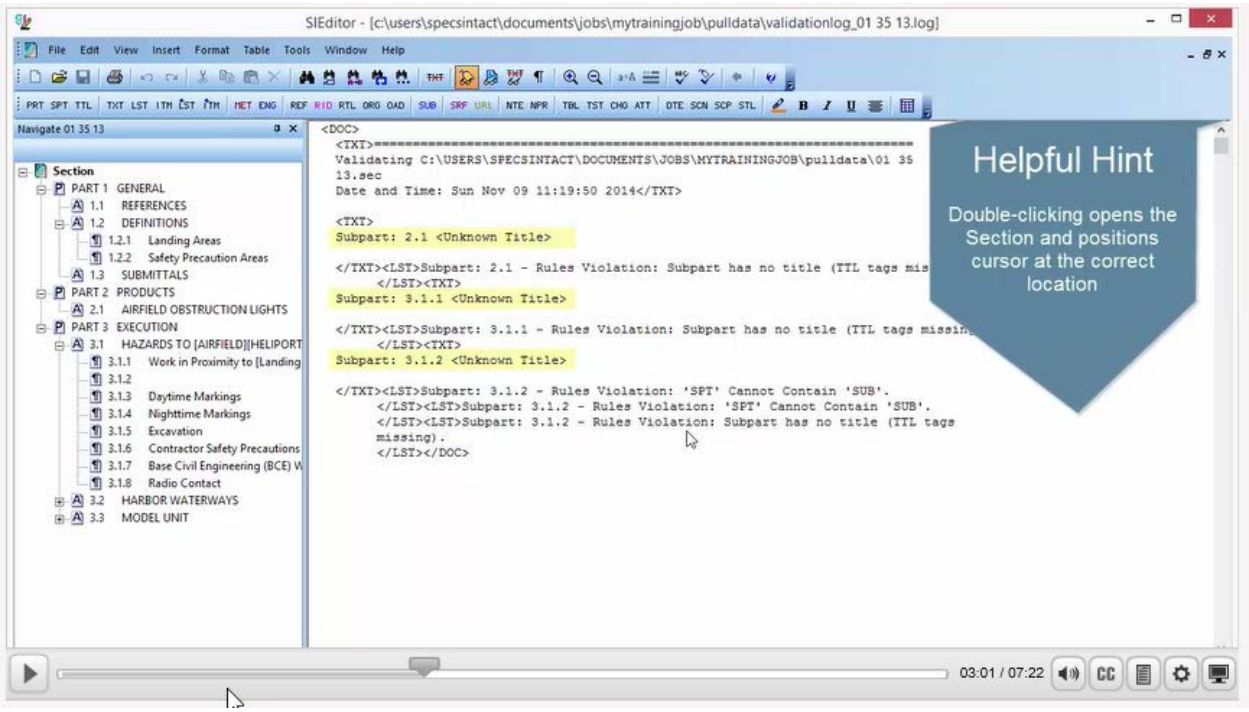
When the Tailoring box opens, *select* **Cancel**.



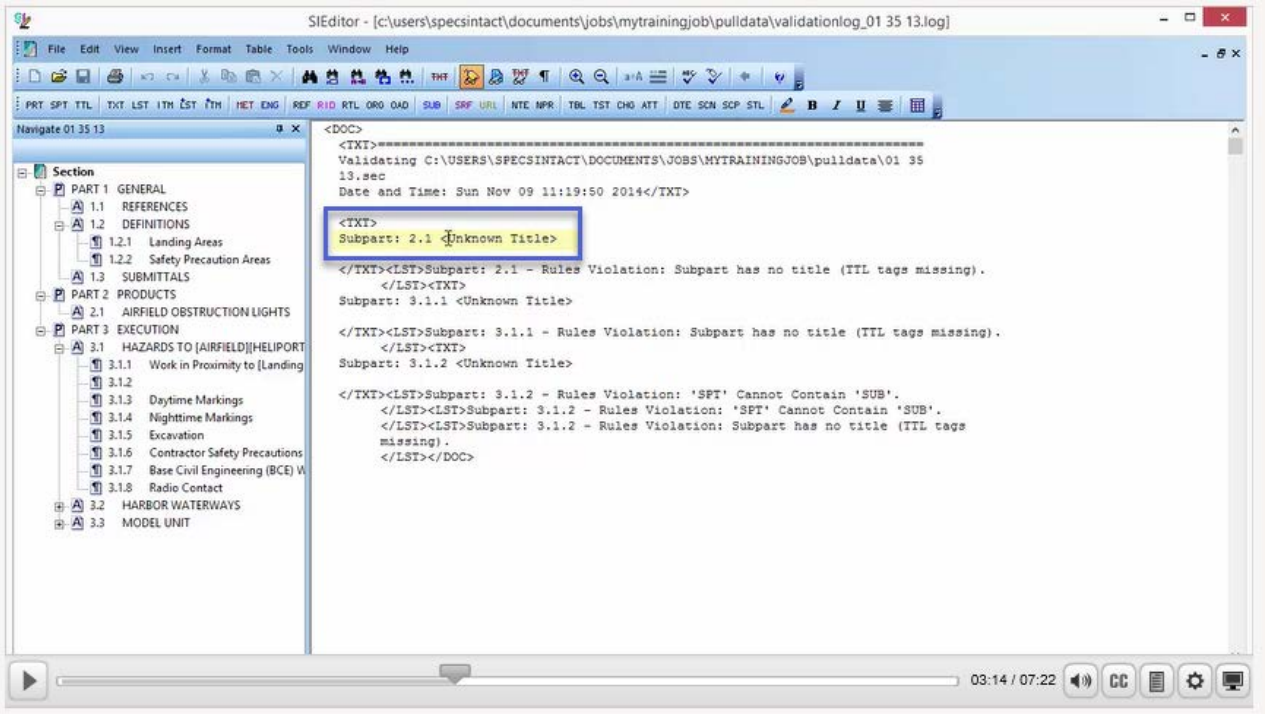
Now let's *select* the **Validation command** again. When the message box appears asking if we want to see the file, we are going to *select* **Yes** this time.



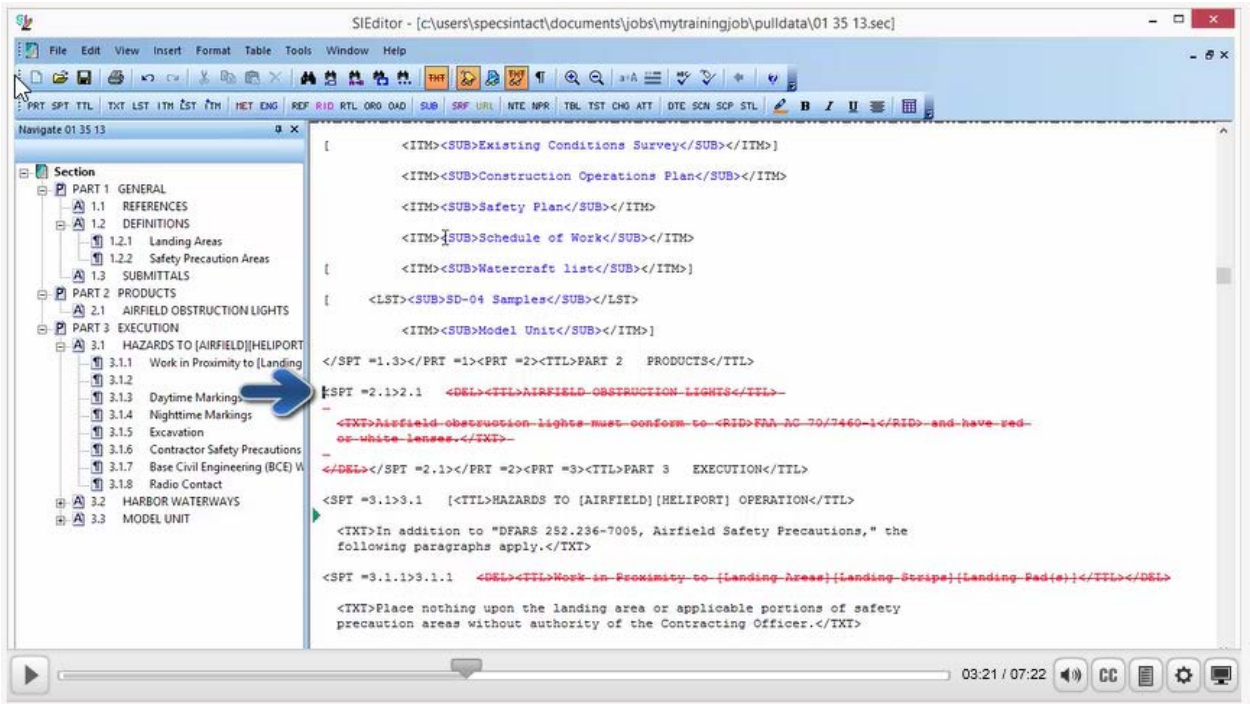
As you see we have three errors listed that reflect 'Unknown Title'. Before we continue, I'd like to provide some helpful hints that will make correcting these errors almost effortless. Double-clicking on a Section number within the Report will open that Section in the Editor and your cursor will be placed at the Subpart containing the problem.



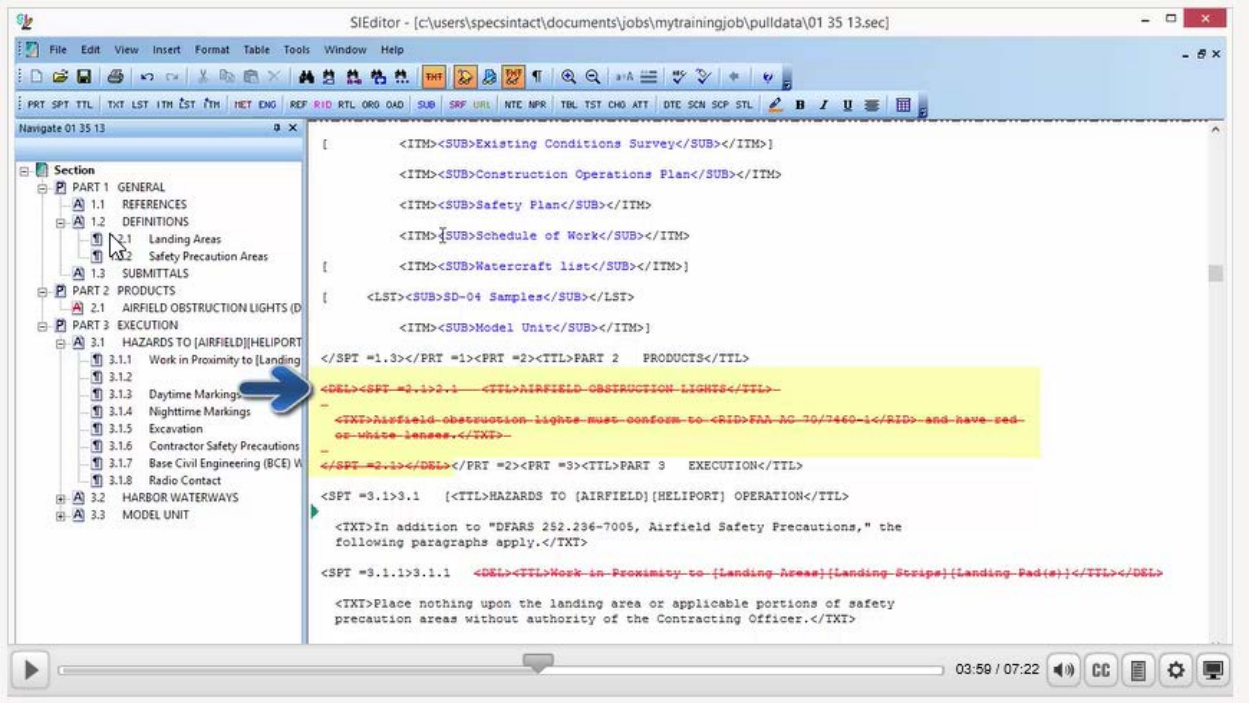
Within the Validation Log, let's place our *cursor over* the error for **Subpart: 2.1 Unknown Title** and *double-click*. If the Tailoring Options dialog opens, *select* **Cancel**.



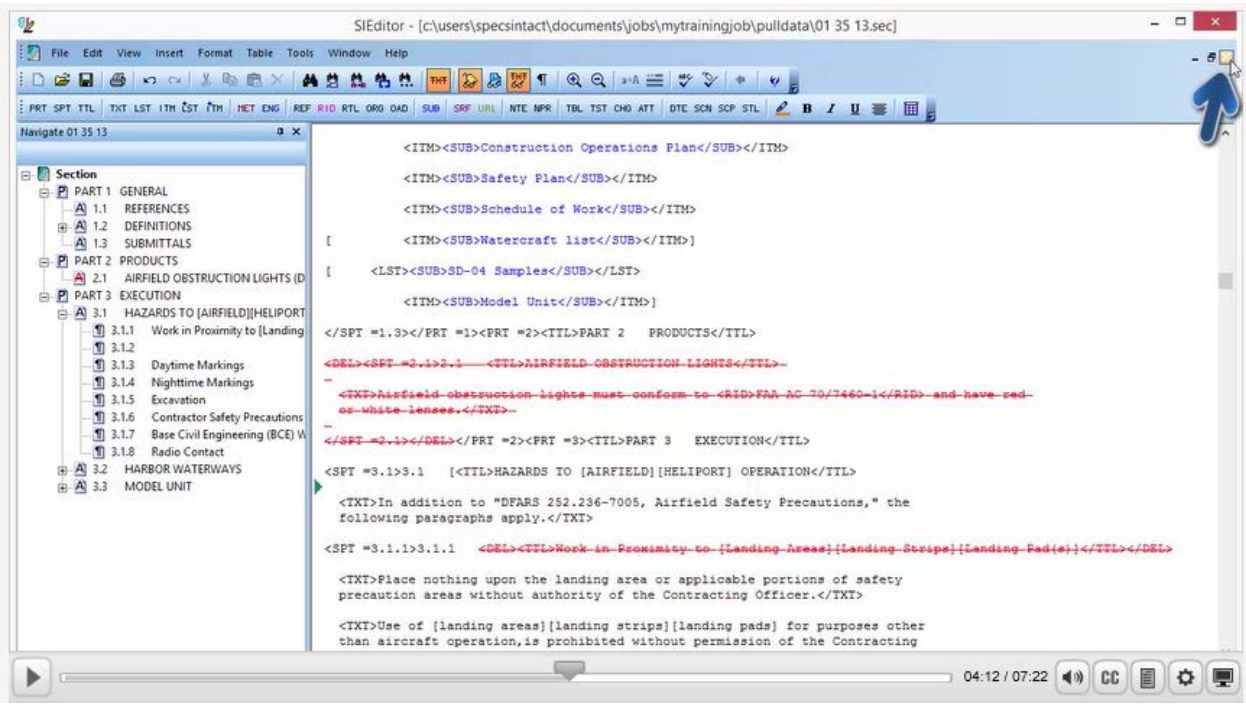
As you see, we are positioned just before the beginning <SPT =2.1 > tag, if your tags are not visible, select the Toggle Tags Button on the Toolbar. This error is a result of deleting the Tile and Text rather than the entire Subpart. Often times this is caused by highlighting incorrectly rather than using the Shift+Del or double-click method. This particular issue is quite simple to fix since our cursor is already positioned in the correct location.



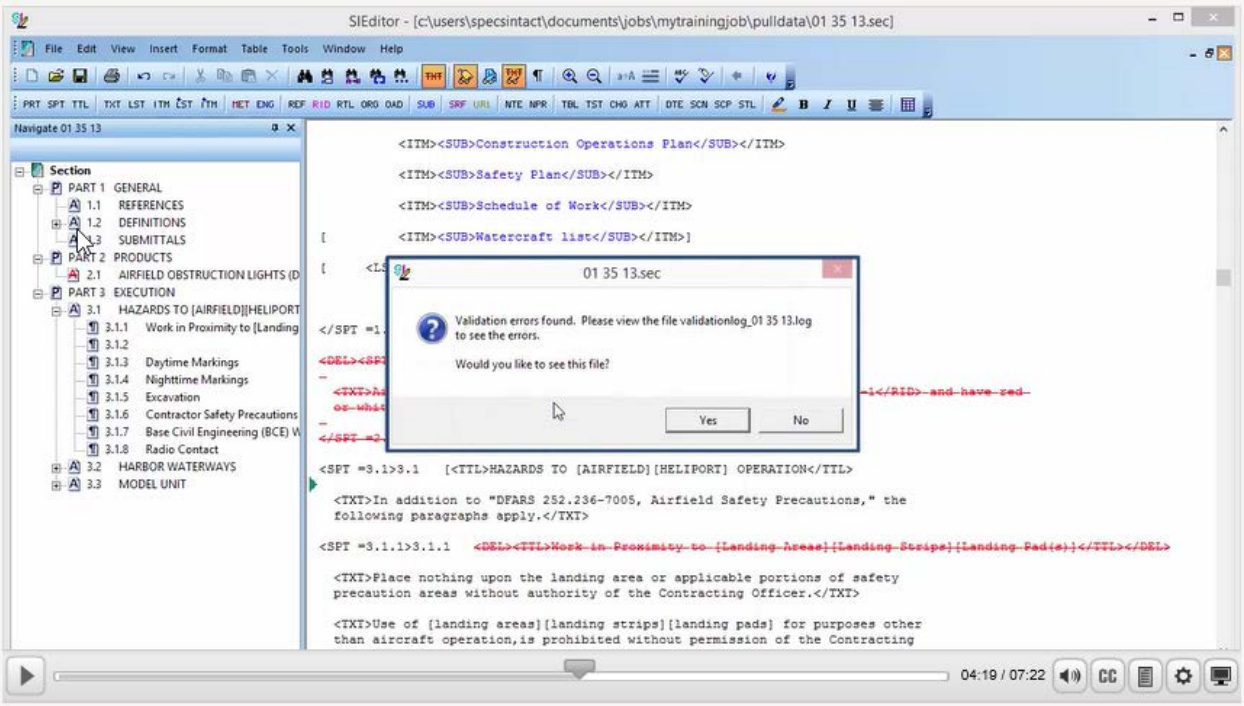
Let's go ahead and *press* the **Shift+Del** key combination. As we review the change you will see that the <SPT =2.1> tag, the Title and Text are now completely redlined.



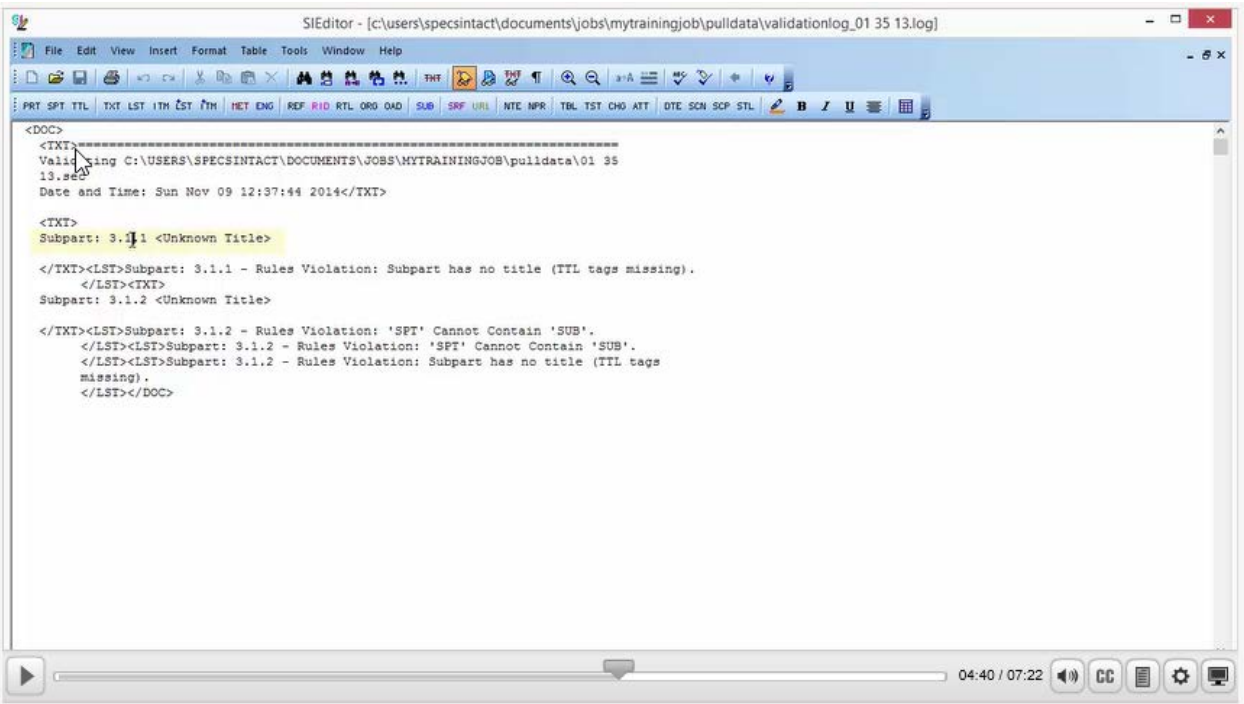
Since we have additional errors on the report to correct, let's close the Section by selecting the lower-tiered 'x', when prompted to Save Changes, *select* **Yes**.



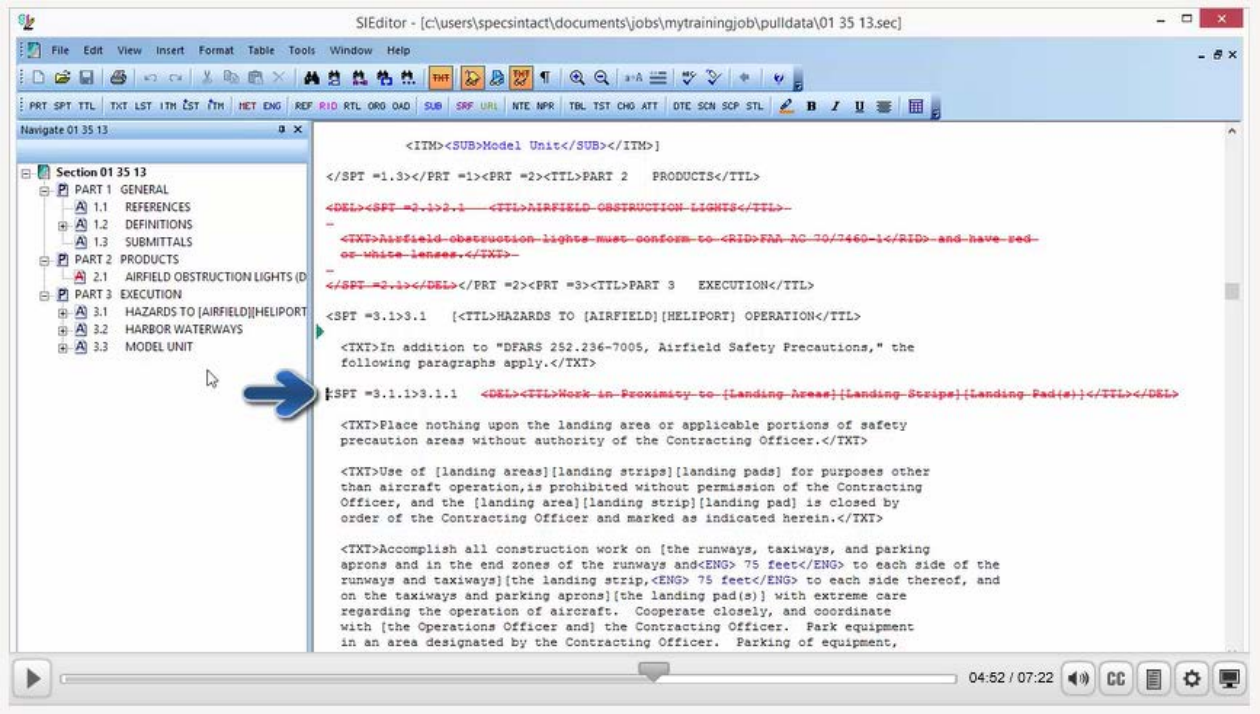
Immediately another message box will appear to let you know Validation Errors were found and asks if you'd like to see this file, let's go ahead and *select* **Yes**.



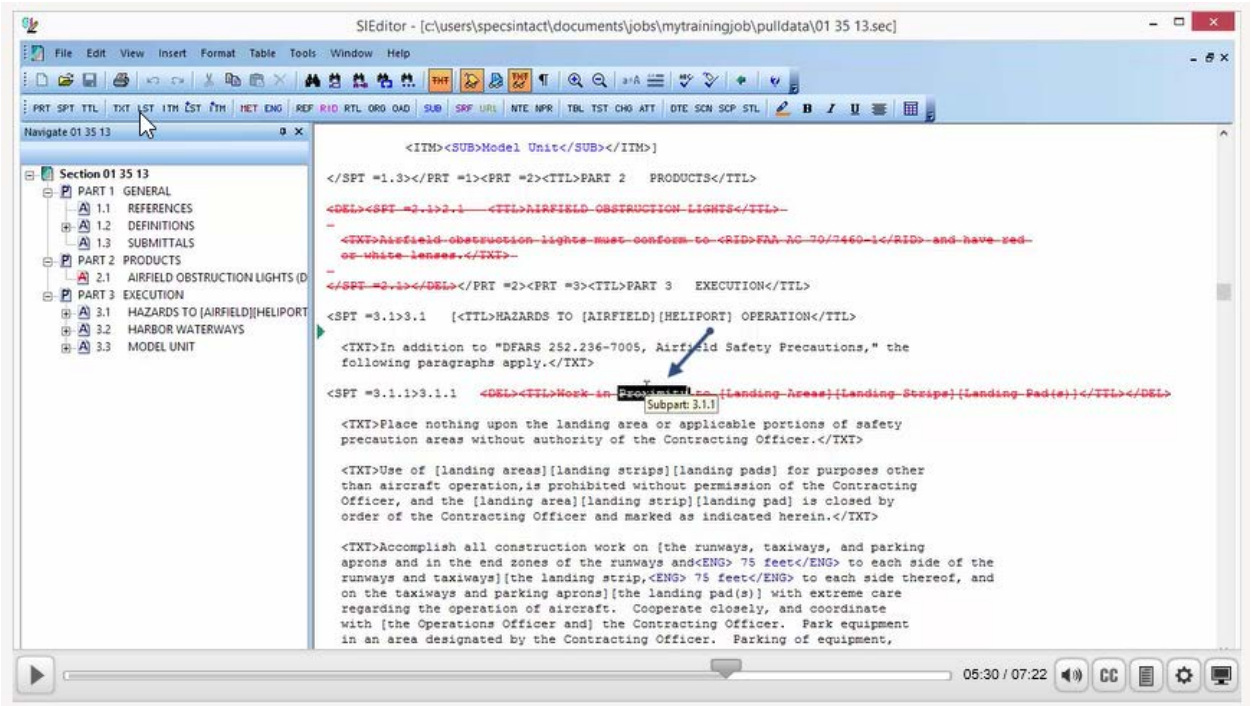
As you see the issue we just corrected is no longer listed. Let's go ahead and place our *cursor over* the error for **Subpart: 3.1.1 Unknown Title** and *double-click*. If the Tailoring Options dialog opens, *select* **Cancel**.



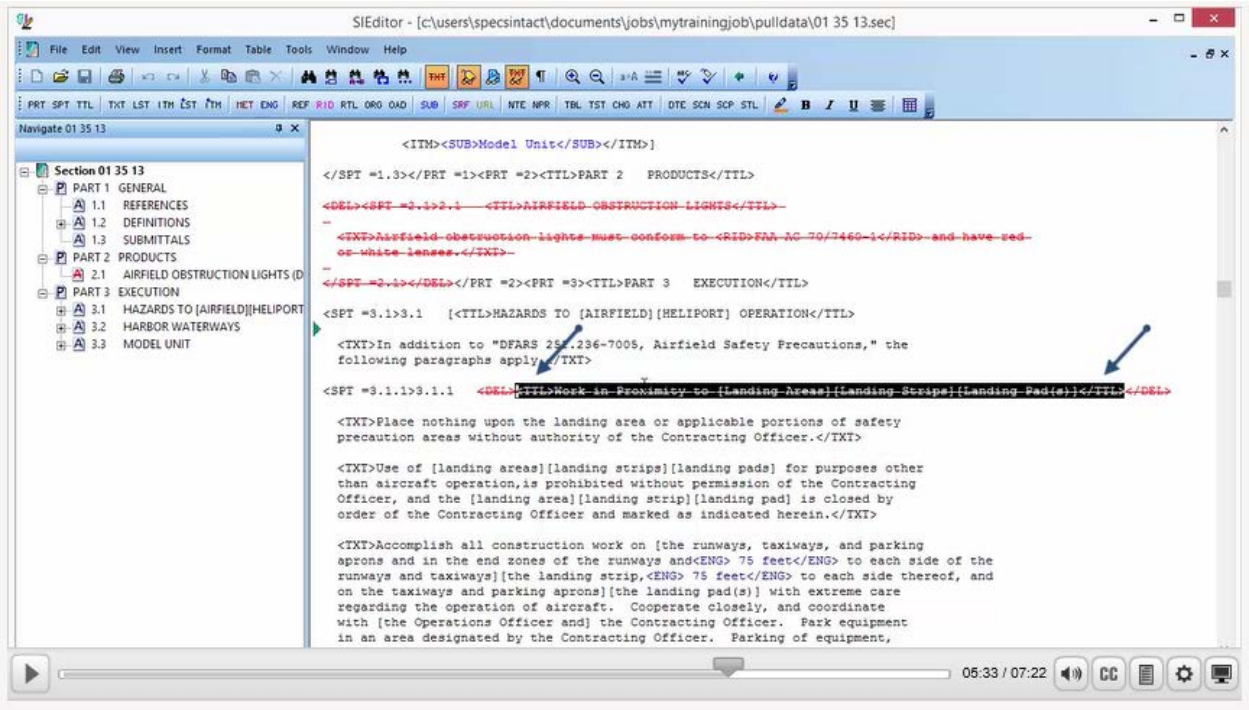
As you see, we are positioned just before the beginning <SPT =3.1.1 > tag. This error is a direct result of improper markup and can be easily corrected. In this particular instance, only the Subpart Title was deleted, which is something you'd never want to do!. Often times this is caused by highlighting incorrectly rather than using the Shift+Del key combination or the double-click Method. For this demonstration, let's use the double-click method. Let's place our *cursor over* the deleted Subpart Title, over the Word '**Proximity**', and then *double-click*.



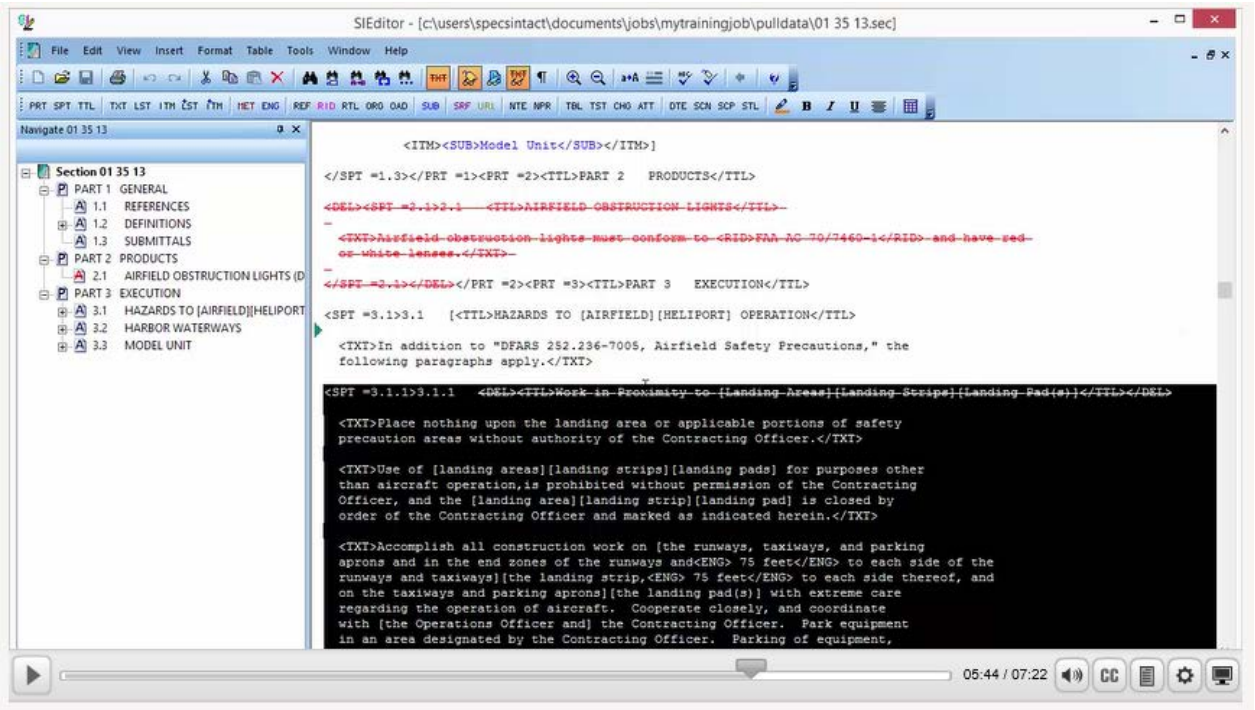
As you see the word 'Proximity' is now highlighted.



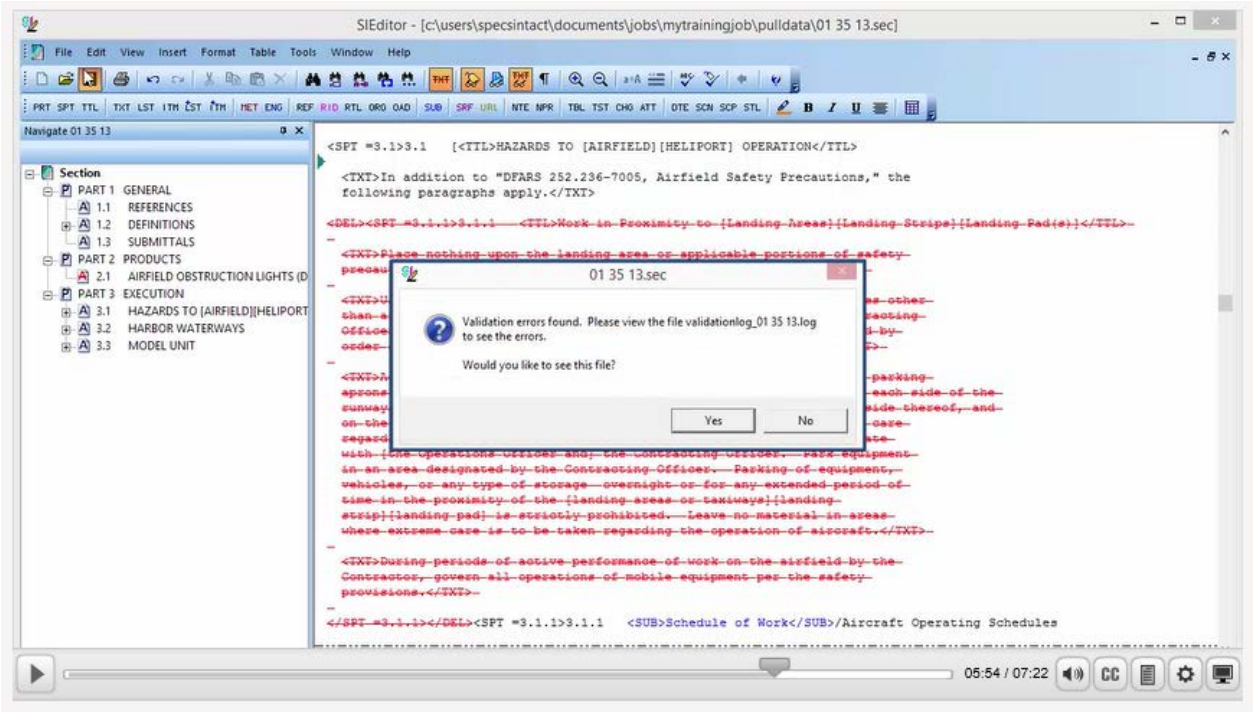
If we double-click on the word again, our highlighting expands to encompass the Title <TTL> tags.



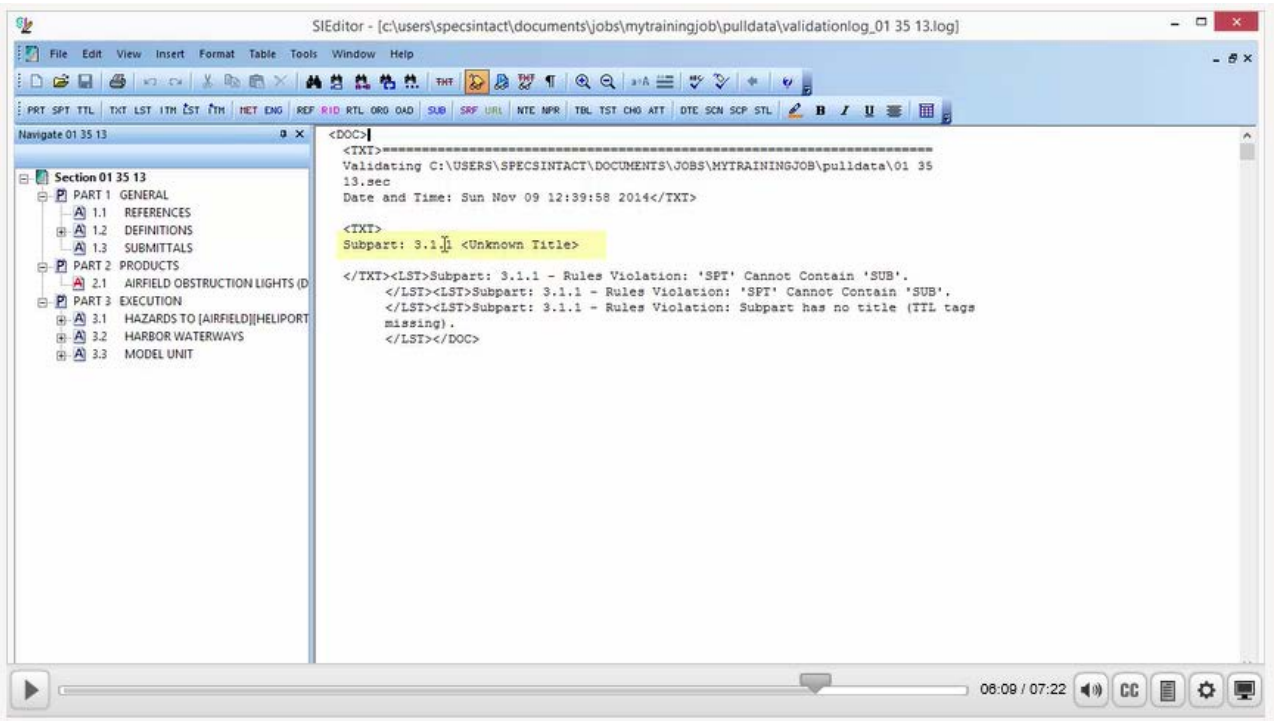
As we continue to double click, the highlighting expands to the <DEL> Tags, and then finally encompasses the entire subpart. Now let's *press* the **DEL key** and save our Section.



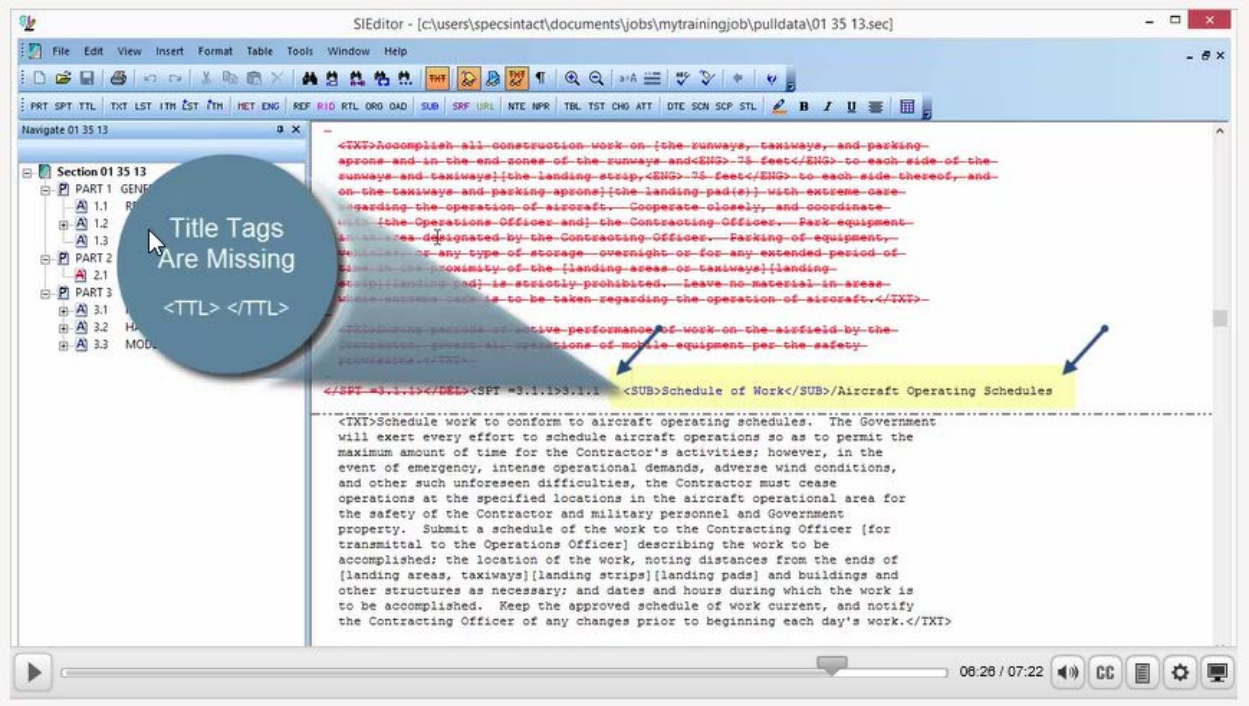
Again we will receive a message asking if we want to see the Validation Log, let's go ahead and *select* **Yes**.



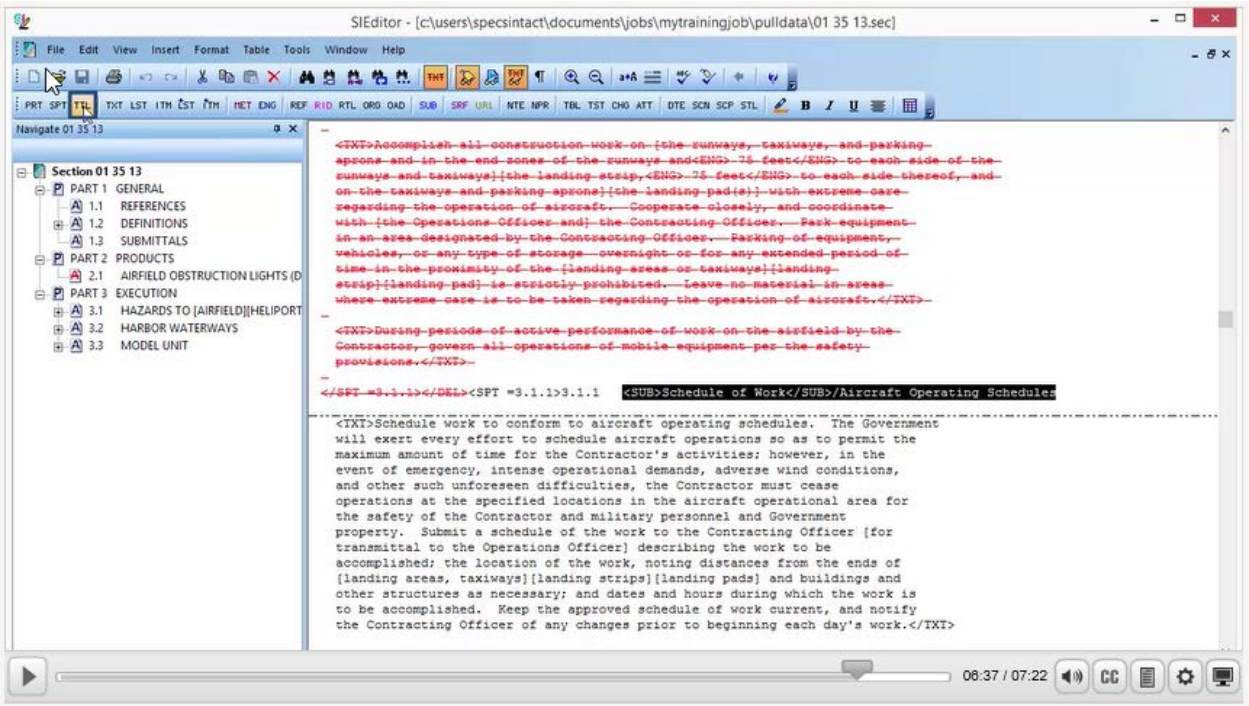
Now we're ready to correct our last error. Let's go ahead and position our *cursor over* the error '**Subpart: 3.1.1 <Unknown Title>** and *double-click*.



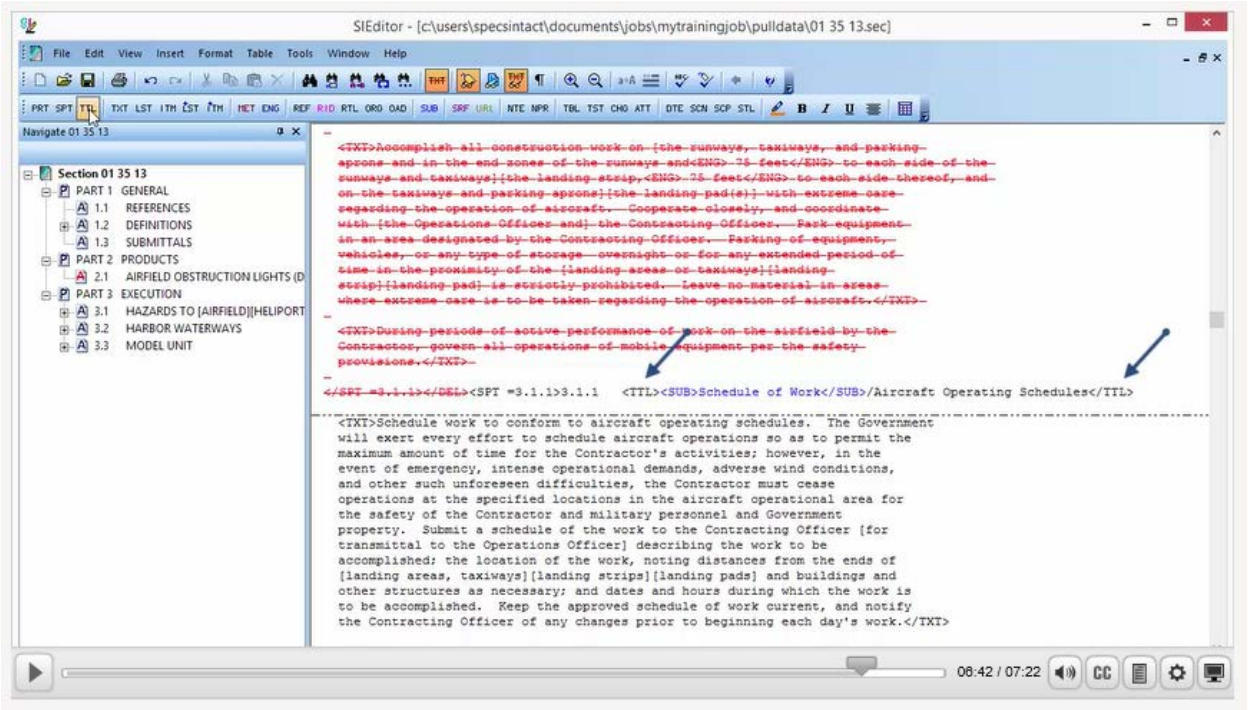
This problem is a little bit different from the other two! Let's examine the Title closely. If you notice, there is a set of Submittal <SUB> tags, surrounding a Submittal Item, but if you look closely enough you will see that the Title has no Title <TTL> tags.



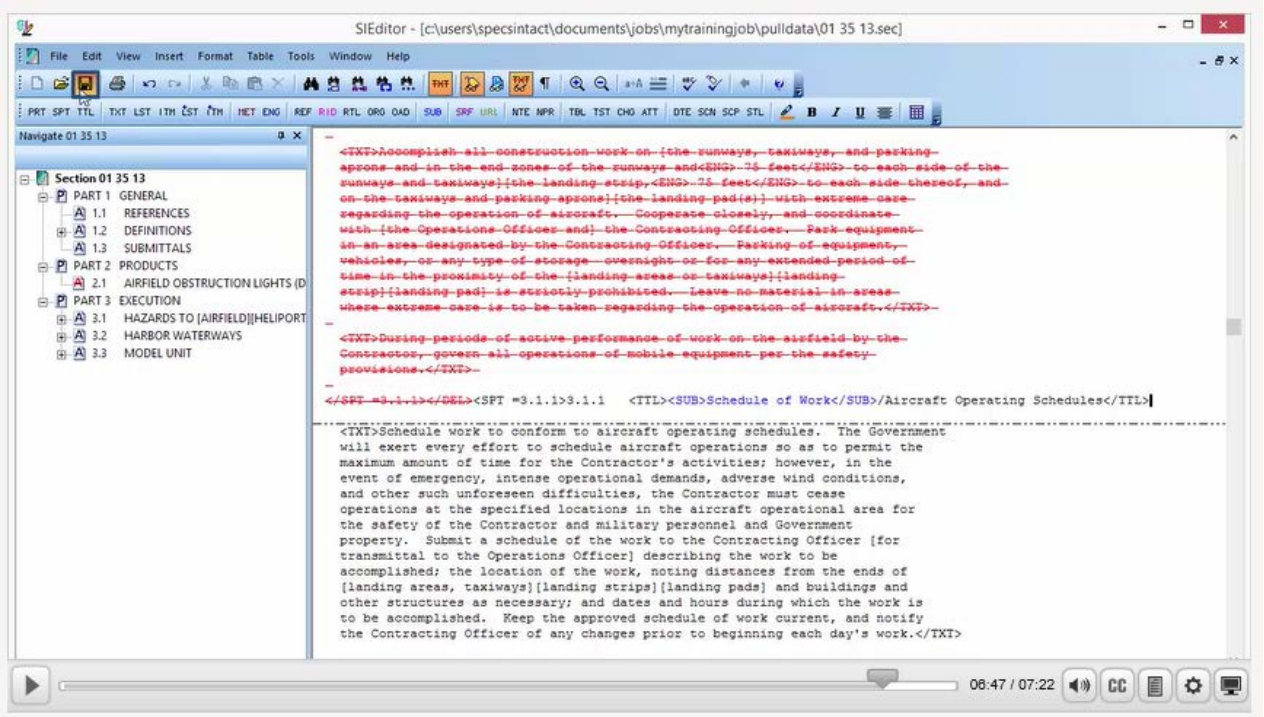
To correct this issue, we are going to *highlight* the **Title**, and then we're going to *select* the **TTL button** on the Editor's Tagsbar.



This will place a set of <TTL> tags around the Title.



Now we're going to Save our Section. Congratulations, the Section saved without any Validation errors. You have now mastered correcting Validation errors resulting in Unknown Titles!



To learn more on correcting Validation and Verification errors and discrepancies, you can refer to the QuickStart Guide – Numeric, Chapter 6, entitled, "Tips and Tools".

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