Why Change Orders Matter

"Most construction contracts, and sometimes even estimates or purchase orders, require that changes to the original scope of work be approved in writing. Despite the requirement, there are many instances where the parties do not follow this and do not properly document changes. As a result, costly disputes often arise." write Rhiannon K. Baker and Philip S. Bubb in Fredrikson & Byron's News & Media.

"Changes are often needed in the course of a construction project. And those changes typically include work that is either added or removed from the original scope of work. While that might sound like a unilateral request or decision, in practice, it is not."

"In fact, a change order is a contract amendment. "

The article provides a list of what should be included in a change order.

Read the article.