

# GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING REPORT

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# 1 Introduction

UPRC c/o Kindred Works has retained Grounded Engineering Inc. (“Grounded”) to provide geotechnical engineering design advice for their proposed development at 14015 Danby Road, in Norval, Ontario.

Present development of the site consists of an existing church building and asphalt pavements surrounded by landscaping and grass areas. The proposed project includes constructing low rise affordable housing around the existing church. Based on the limited information provided to Grounded, it is assumed that new development will consist of a 6-storey building on the north side of the site with one underground parking level (P1). Design details including Finished Floor Elevations (FFE) were not provided at the time of this investigation.

This report has been revised (Rev 2) to include pavement design advice.

Grounded has been provided with the following reports and drawings to assist in our geotechnical scope of work:

- Site Servicing Plan Phase 1, prepared by Urbantech (Feb 5, 2020).
- Norval United Presentation (concept plans), prepared by UPRC (April, 2021)
- UCC Norval United Site Plans, prepared by KPMB Architects (Nov 11, 2022), received December 13, 2022

Grounded’s subsurface investigation of the site to date includes five (5) boreholes (Boreholes 1 to 5) which were advanced from May 24<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

Based on the borehole findings, preliminary geotechnical engineering advice for the proposed development is provided for foundations, seismic site classification, earth pressure design, slab on grade design, basement drainage, and pavement design. Construction considerations including excavation, groundwater control, and geostructural engineering design advice are also provided.

Grounded Engineering must conduct the on-site evaluation of founding subgrade as foundation and slab construction proceeds. This is a vital and essential part of the geotechnical engineering function and must not be grouped together with other “third-party inspection services”. Grounded will not accept responsibility for foundation performance if Grounded is not retained to carry out all the foundation evaluations during construction.

This preliminary geotechnical engineering report is appropriate for due diligence and planning purposes only. Additional boreholes, wells, and a detailed geotechnical engineering report will be required for detailed design.





## 2 Ground Conditions

The borehole results are detailed on the attached borehole logs. Our assessment of the relevant stratigraphic units is intended to highlight the strata as they relate to geotechnical engineering. The ground conditions reported here will vary between and beyond the borehole locations.

The stratigraphic boundary lines shown on the borehole logs are assessed from non-continuous samples supplemented by drilling observations. These stratigraphic boundary lines represent transitions between soil types and should be regarded as approximate and gradual. They are not exact points of stratigraphic change.

Elevations are measured relative to geodetic datum based on a benchmark shown on the provided drawings. The horizontal coordinates are provided relative to the Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) geographic coordinate system.

### 2.1 Soil Stratigraphy

The following soil stratigraphy summary is based on the borehole results and the geotechnical laboratory testing. A subsurface profile showing stratigraphy and engineering units is appended.

#### 2.1.1 Surficial and Earth Fill

The boreholes encountered 50 to 75 mm of topsoil at the existing ground surface.

Underlying the topsoil, the boreholes observed a layer of earth fill that extends to depths of 0.8 to 3.8 metres below grade (Elev. 239.9 to 243.8 metres). The earth fill varies in composition but generally consists of sandy silt to silty sand with trace gravel and trace clay. It contains construction debris, asphalt, and rootlets, and occasional plastic pieces. The earth fill is typically light to dark brown, and moist. Due to inconsistent placement and the inherent heterogeneity of earth fill materials, the relative density of the earth fill varies but is on average compact.

Some of the earth fill soils may be native soil that has been disturbed or reworked in place by site grading or agricultural activities previously conducted at this site. Reworked soils are grouped within the earth fill unit based on their engineering properties and their suitability for foundations and pavements.

#### 2.1.2 Glacial Till (Sandy Silt)

Underlying the fill materials, all the boreholes encountered an undisturbed native glacial till deposit consisting of sandy silt with occasional seams and layers of silt and clay at depths of 0.8 to 3.8 metres below grade (Elev. 239.9 to 243.8 m), extending to depths beyond our investigation of 8.2 m below grade (Elev. 233.4 to 236.9 m). The till is generally brown, and moist to wet. Standard Penetration Test (SPT) results (N-Values) measured in the sandy silt till range from 20



to 98 blows per 300 mm of penetration (“bpf”), generally increasing with depth. The N-values indicate a relative density ranging from compact to very dense (on average, dense).

## 2.2 Groundwater

Monitoring wells were installed in each of the boreholes, and stabilized groundwater levels were measured in each of the monitoring wells approximately one week after the completion of drilling. The boreholes were cased by hollow stem augers on completion, and cave measurement was not practical.

The groundwater observations are shown on the Borehole Logs and are summarized as follows.

Borehole No.	Borehole depth (m)	Upon completion of drilling		Strata Screened	Water Level in Well on June 2, 2022 (m)	
		Depth to cave (m)	Unstabilized water level (m)		Depth	Elevation
1	8.2	n/a	6.4	Sandy silt till (Elev. 240.5 - 237.5± m)	1.7	243.4
2	8.2	n/a	Not measured	Sandy silt till (Elev. 238.3 - 235.2± m)	2.8	240.1
3	8.2	n/a	Dry	Sandy silt till (Elev. 237.0 - 234.0± m)	4.2	237.4
4	8.2	n/a	Dry	Sandy silt till (Elev. 239.7 - 236.7± m)	3.7	240.6
5	8.2	n/a	Not measured	Sandy silt till (Elev. 240.0 - 236.9± m)	2.2	242.4

Groundwater levels fluctuate with time depending on the amount of precipitation and surface runoff, and may be influenced by known or unknown dewatering activities at nearby sites.

The groundwater table appears to follow the general topography of the site, sloping downwards towards the east. The groundwater table varies from 1.7 to 4.2 metres below grade (Elev. 237.4 to 243.4 m). The groundwater table for engineering purposes is assumed to be 1.7 meters below existing grade. The soils at this site have a moderate permeability and will yield some seepage in the short-term and long-term. Grounded has prepared a separate hydrogeological report for this site (File No. 22-085).

## 2.3 Corrosivity and Sulphate Attack

Three (3) soil samples were submitted for corrosivity testing parameters (pH, Resistivity, Electrical Conductivity, Redox Potential, Sulphate, Sulphide and Chloride). The Certificate of Analyses and interpretation sheet is appended.

The analytical results only provide an indication of the potential for corrosion. All three samples scored less than 10 points and corrosion protective measures are therefore not required for cast iron alloys. A more recent study by the AWWA has suggested that soil with a resistivity of less



than about 2000 ohm.cm should be considered aggressive. All three samples had resistivity measurements exceeding 2000 ohm.cm.

## 2.4 Frost Heave Susceptibility of Soils

A soil's susceptibility to frost heave is related to the percentage of silt and very fine sand in the soil, as frost heave impacts fine-grained soils with low cohesion and high capillarity. The site soils are classified for susceptibility to frost heave according to their grain size distributions on this basis. Geotechnical laboratory results for this site are appended. Per the Second Edition of the Pavement Design and Rehabilitation Manual by the Ministry of Transportation in Ontario, the following table summarizes the relationship between grain size and frost heave susceptibility:

**Relationship Between Grain Size and Frost Susceptibility (MTO)**

Grain Size Percentage between 5 and 75 $\mu\text{m}$	Susceptibility to Frost Heaving
0 to 40%	Low
40 to 55%	Moderate
55 to 100%	High

Per the grain size data measured in the site soils, frost heave susceptibility is summarized accordingly:

**Summary of Susceptibility to Frost Heave**

Stratum	Grain Size Percentage between 5 and 75 $\mu\text{m}$	Susceptibility to Frost Heaving
Earth Fill	Est. 25 to 50%	Low to Moderate
Glacial Till	Est. 30 to 40%	Low to Moderate

## 3 Geotechnical Engineering Recommendations

Based on the factual data summarized above, preliminary geotechnical engineering recommendations are provided. These preliminary recommendations are for due diligence purposes only. They must be supplemented and confirmed by additional boreholes, wells, and a detailed geotechnical engineering report at the detailed design stage.

This report assumes that the design features relevant to the geotechnical analyses will be in accordance with applicable codes, standards, and guidelines of practice. If there are any changes to the site development features, or there is any additional information relevant to the interpretations made of the subsurface information with respect to the geotechnical analyses or other recommendations, then Grounded should be retained to review the implications of these changes with respect to the contents of this report.



### 3.1 Site Grading

A site grading plan was not available at the time of this investigation, however it is assumed that some modest level of site grading (i.e. cutting and/or filling) will be required for new development. For pavement areas, grade raises may comprise compacted fill or engineered fill. For building areas where fill is required to provide structural support for foundations, engineered fill is required.

An engineered fill earthworks specification is appended. Compacted fill is generally similar to Engineered Fill, with the following exceptions:

1. Compacted fill does not need full-time inspection and testing, although it does need periodic geotechnical engineering testing and inspections for quality control. The frequency of periodic inspections can vary from once a day to once every 3 days and is to be confirmed after the construction schedule is available for review. Engineered fill requires full-time inspection and testing.
2. Compacted fill can be made on an existing earth fill subgrade if it is proof rolled under our inspection and approved by us prior to fill placement. Engineered fill requires an approved subgrade of native soils.

Both compacted fill and engineered fill shall comprise earth fill that is inorganic, clean, and geotechnically suitable soil sourced from the site or imported.

Across the entire fill area, the topsoil and other deleterious materials must be removed. The proposed subgrade must be cut neat and must be inspected by Grounded to identify any voids, organics, or soft, wet, or weak zones. Any identified areas must be sub-excavated to a competent subgrade. Compacted fill may be made on inspector-approved existing clean non-organic earth fill, or native soil. Engineered fill must be made to bear on inspector-approved undisturbed native soil.

All fill must be placed in loose lifts of 150 mm and compacted to a minimum of 98% SPMDD at a moisture content within 2% of optimum. Engineered fill must be placed under the full-time supervision of a Geotechnical Engineer, who shall perform frequent in situ density measurements to ensure the uniformity and adequacy of the compaction effort.

Soil that is used as engineered or common earth fill must have a moisture content within 2% of optimum and be free of deleterious materials, cobbles/boulders greater than 150 mm in diameter, topsoil, and other organics. Representative soil samples must be collected from the proposed fill material and tested using the Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (SPMDD) method to determine the optimum moisture content and maximum dry density prior to placement and compaction as common or engineered fill.

Prior to the arrival of imported soil materials, they must be test per the requirements of O.Reg 406/19 and approved by the Environmental QP for the site.



The existing topsoil is not geotechnically suitable and must be removed from settlement sensitive areas (structures, pavements, etc.). Topsoil may be re-used in landscaped areas that are not sensitive to settlement, or wasted off-site. A portion of the existing earth fill may be suitable for immediate re-use as common earth fill or engineered fill if it is sorted or blended to remove any excess organics, moisture, or other deleterious materials. The amount of fill to be removed and replaced with engineered fill varies by borehole locations, but ranges from 0.8 to 3.8 m.

We estimate that most of the undisturbed native soil at the site is likely suitable for immediate re-use on site.

As inferred by the boreholes, embedded cobbles and boulders should be anticipated in all existing fill and native soils.

Common earth fill or engineered fill may not be readily compacted in small volumes, such as trenches or in areas adjacent to foundations or catch basins. For areas of limited extent, compactable aggregate-source backfills like Granular B (OPSS.MUNI 1010) are recommended for post-construction grade integrity. All new fill shall be compacted to a minimum of 98% SPMDD.

Frost susceptible soils within 1.4 m of finished grades in unheated areas (e.g. pavements) could potentially cause pavements to heave or crack next to other structures (e.g. curbs, catchbasins, etc.). The degree of heaving is unknown. If frost susceptibility is to be considered in design (to be determined by the Owner based on their own pavement performance criteria), all soil placed within 1.2 m of finished grades must be classified to have a low susceptibility to frost heaving.

Where engineered fill pads tie into existing grades, the engineered fill should extend for a distance of at least 2 m beyond the proposed structure footprints in every direction as measured at the founding level, and should extend downwards from this point at no steeper than 1 to 1 (horizontal to vertical) slope to the adjacent ground level.

For the expected heights of engineered fill to be placed, post-construction settlements of the engineered fill itself (i.e. due to self-weight) can be expected to be around 1% of the height of soil placed, depending on the composition of the engineered fill. If the engineered fill is composed of sand or aggregate materials, then post-construction settlements of the engineered fill will be around 0.5% or less and will occur within a week or two. If the engineered fill is sourced from the existing earth fill or glacial till from the site or similar fine grained soils, it will take several weeks for the majority of post-construction settlement due to self-weight to occur.

### **3.2 Foundation Design Parameters**

The topsoil and earth fill soils are considered unsuitable for the support of the proposed building foundations. There are several foundation options for the site, depending on final design grades and site development details. Consideration has been given to supporting new buildings at the site on conventional spread footings bearing on undisturbed soils, engineered fill, or ground improved soils. It is also feasible to support the new structure at the site on helical piles.



When exposed to ambient environmental temperatures in the Georgetown (Norval) area, the design earth cover for frost protection of foundations and grade beams is 1.4 metres.

### 3.2.1 Spread Footings

Conventional spread footings made to bear on these undisturbed native soils at 0.8 to 3.8 m below grade (as shown on the borehole logs) may be designed using the following maximum factored geotechnical resistances at ULS, and net geotechnical reactions at SLS for an estimated total settlement of 25 mm at or below the following elevations.

**Summary of Bearing Capacities for Conventional Spread Footings on Native Soil at Site**

Borehole	Top of Competent Native Soil Elevations (m)	Basement Approach	Native Founding Subgrade	Design Bearing Capacity	
				ULS Capacity	SLS Capacity
1	242.5± m	Conventional Drained	Sandy silt till	500 kPa	350 kPa
2	239.5± m	Conventional Drained	Sandy silt till	500 kPa	350 kPa
3	240.0± m	Conventional Drained	Sandy silt till	500 kPa	350 kPa
4	240.0± m	Conventional Drained	Sandy silt till	500 kPa	350 kPa
5	243.5± m	Conventional Drained	Sandy silt till	500 kPa	350 kPa

Individual spread footing foundations must be at least 1000 mm wide and must be embedded a minimum of 1000 mm below FFE. These minimum requirements apply in conjunction with the above recommended geotechnical resistance regardless of loading considerations. The geotechnical reaction at SLS refers to a settlement which for practical purposes is linear and non-recoverable. Differential settlement is related to column spacing, column loads, and footing sizes. At this site, the SLS bearing pressures provided above also limit the maximum footing sizes for spread footings to 3000 mm.

Prior to excavation, it will be necessary to positively dewater for any foundation excavations extending below the groundwater table. These excavations must be dewatered to a minimum 1.2 m below proposed excavation elevation prior to excavation, to preserve the in-situ integrity of the native soils. If the subsurface is not dewatered prior to excavation, the native soils will become disturbed by the ingress of groundwater and the above recommendations for bearing capacity will not be valid.

Footings stepped from one elevation to another should be offset at a slope not steeper than 7 vertical to 10 horizontal.

The founding subgrade must be cleaned of all unacceptable materials and approved by Grounded prior to pouring concrete for the footings. Such unacceptable materials may include disturbed or caved soils, ponded water, or similar as indicated by Grounded during founding subgrade





inspection. During the winter, adequate temporary frost protection for the footing bases and concrete must be provided if construction proceeds during freezing weather conditions.

### **3.2.2 Conventional Spread Footings on Engineered Fill**

Alternatively, the proposed structure may be supported on conventional spread footing foundations resting on engineered fill. An engineered fill specification is provided in Appendix D and discussed in Section 3.1.

So long as the engineered fill is placed and compacted as indicated per the specification, spread footings resting on engineered fill may be designed for a net geotechnical reaction of 150 kPa at SLS (for an estimated total settlement of 25 mm) and a factored geotechnical resistance of 225 kPa at ULS. These footings must be placed at least 0.6 m into the engineered fill strata.

For footings supported on engineered fill, the minimum width for conventional strip footings must be 600 mm, and the minimum size of individual spread footings must be 1000 mm x 1000 mm. These minimum requirements apply in conjunction with the above recommended geotechnical resistance regardless of loading considerations. The geotechnical reaction at SLS refers to a settlement which for practical purposes is linear and non-recoverable. Differential settlement is related to column spacing, column loads, and footing sizes.

Any single grid line should be supported fully on either engineered fill or on native soils.

Engineered fill can be expected to experience post-construction settlement on the order of 1 percent of the depth of the engineered fill. The time period over which this settlement occurs depends on the composition of the engineered fill as follows (after initial placement):

- Sand or gravel soil – several days
- Silt soil – several weeks
- Clay or clayey soil (common earth fill) – several months

The timing of foundation construction must consider the post-construction settlement of the engineered fill.

Soils at the base of the foundation excavation shall not exceed a maximum particle size of 75 mm. Backfill shall not exceed a maximum particle size of 75 mm in foundation excavations exceeding 1 m in depth. If cobbles and boulders exceeding this maximum particle size are encountered, they will be deemed unsuitable and must be subexcavated and replaced with suitable material.

### **3.2.3 Helical Piles**

Helical piles may be designed to carry new structural load. Since helical pile installations require little to no excavation, they are a suitable option where excavation and replacement of existing



fill is not desired. Helical piles can be installed using small equipment or by hand, with minimal ground disturbance and minimal excess soil cuttings.

Contractors specializing in helical pile design and installation can provide detailed information on installation methodology, detailed design, product quality, and certification. There are several helical pile products available. Helical pile detailed design will ultimately depend upon the loading considerations and the ground conditions. The project geotechnical information should be provided to a specialist design/build contractor to assess the feasibility of this foundation system and to determine probable helical pile refusal/installation depths, and capacities.

At this site, helical piles can be installed to bear into the dense glacial till in order to obtain adequate resistance to support the new loads. Following helical pile installation, a pile cap or grade beam is constructed to transfer the building loads onto the underlying competent soils through the helical piles. The design earth cover (or equivalent insulation) for frost protection of grade beams exposed to ambient environmental temperatures is 1.4 metres for this location.

The actual installation depth of each helical pile is determined on site during installation based on depth and torque measurements made during installation, and the load support requirements. The load carrying capacity of each helical pile is confirmed by the helical pile contractor based on the torque measurements and a full-scale performance test of a prototype/production pile. Occasionally, field torque measurements indicate that helical piles must be advanced deeper than originally designed. Provision must be made in helical pile contracts to allocate and quantify risks associated with any extra time and materials utilized to achieve the required field torque readings.

The presence of debris/obstructions within fill materials or larger sized cobbles or boulders in native soil (although not specifically encountered in the borehole) could impede helical pile installation. Refer to the borehole logs for detailed subsurface information. Provision must be made in helical pile contracts to allocate risks associated with the time spent and equipment utilized to remove or work around such obstructions when encountered.

### **3.2.4 Spread Footings Supported by Ground Improvement**

The proposed buildings can be supported by strip and spread footings resting on existing soil reinforced by stone column or rammed aggregate elements. These are constructed by using displacement methods depending on soil conditions and project requirements. The aggregate is compacted in thin lifts using crowd pressure and a high energy vibratory hammer with a specialized tamper to densify the aggregate vertically and increase lateral stress in the soil matrix. The construction process results in a reinforced soil profile, providing positive settlement control and a resulting high bearing capacity that can support spread and strip footings. Design of ground improvement is performed as a design-build process by a specialty foundation contractor.



### 3.3 Earthquake Design Parameters

The Ontario Building Code (2012) stipulates the methodology for earthquake design analysis, as set out in Subsection 4.1.8.7. The determination of the type of analysis is predicated on the importance of the structure, the spectral response acceleration, and the site classification.

The parameters for determination of Site Classification for Seismic Site Response are set out in Table 4.1.8.4A of the Ontario Building Code (2012). The classification is based on the determination of the average shear wave velocity in the top 30 metres of the site stratigraphy, where shear wave velocity ( $v_s$ ) measurements have been taken. Alternatively, the classification is estimated from the rational analysis of undrained shear strength ( $s_u$ ) or penetration resistance (N-values) according to the OBC and National Building Code of Canada.

Below the nominal founding elevations (for spread footings or grade beams) of 136-130± metres, the boreholes observe stiff to very stiff cohesive till. Based on this information, the site designation for seismic analysis is **Class C**, per Table 4.1.8.4.A of the Ontario Building Code (2012). Tables 4.1.8.4.B and 4.1.8.4.C. of the same code provide the applicable acceleration- and velocity-based site coefficients.

### 3.4 Earth Pressure Design Parameters

At this site, the design parameters for structures subject to unbalanced earth pressures such as basement walls and retaining walls are shown in the table below.

Stratigraphic Unit	$\gamma$	$\phi$	$K_a$	$K_o$	$K_p$
Compact Granular Fill Granular 'B' (OPSS.MUNI 1010)	21	32	0.31	0.47	3.25
Existing Earth Fill	19	29	0.35	0.52	2.88
Glacial Till (Sandy Silt)	21	34	0.28	0.44	3.54

- $\gamma$  = soil bulk unit weight (kN/m<sup>3</sup>)
- $\phi$  = internal friction angle (degrees)
- $K_a$  = active earth pressure coefficient (Rankine, dimensionless)
- $K_o$  = at-rest earth pressure coefficient (Rankine, dimensionless)
- $K_p$  = passive earth pressure coefficient (Rankine, dimensionless)

These earth pressure parameters assume that grade is horizontal behind the retaining structure. If retained grade is inclined, these parameters do not apply and must be re-evaluated.

The following equation can be used to calculate the unbalanced earth pressure imposed on walls:

$$P = K[\gamma(h - h_w) + \gamma' h_w + q] + \gamma_w h_w$$

- $P$  = horizontal pressure (kPa) at depth  $h$
- $h$  = the depth at which  $P$  is calculated (m)
- $K$  = earth pressure coefficient
- $h_w$  = height of groundwater (m) above depth  $h$
- $\gamma$  = soil bulk unit weight (kN/m<sup>3</sup>)
- $\gamma'$  = submerged soil unit weight ( $\gamma - 9.8$  kN/m<sup>3</sup>)
- $q$  = total surcharge load (kPa)



If the wall backfill is drained such that hydrostatic pressures on the wall are effectively eliminated, this equation simplifies to:

$$P = K[\gamma h + q]$$

The possible effects of frost on retaining earth structures must be considered. In frost-susceptible soils, pressures induced by freezing pore water are basically irresistible. Insulation typically addresses this issue. Alternatively, non-frost-susceptible backfill may be specified.

Foundation resistance to sliding is proportional to the friction between the soil subgrade and the base of the footing. The factored geotechnical resistance to friction ( $R_f$ ) at ULS provided in the following equation:

$$R_f = \Phi N \tan \varphi$$

$R_f$	=	frictional resistance (kN)
$\Phi$	=	reduction factor per Canadian Foundation Engineering Manual (CFEM) Ed. 4 (0.8)
$N$	=	normal load at base of footing (kN)
$\varphi$	=	internal friction angle (see table above)

### 3.5 Slab on Grade Design Parameters

The undisturbed native soils will provide adequate subgrade for the support of a conventional slab on grade. The modulus of subgrade reaction (MSR) for slab-on-grade design supported by undisturbed native soils is 30,000 kPa/m. Alternatively, the MSR for a slab-on-grade supported by engineered fill is 22,000 kPa/m.

If this basement structure is made as a conventional drained structure, a permanent drainage system including subfloor drains is required (see Section 3.5). In this case, the slab on grade must be provided with a drainage layer and capillary moisture break, which is achieved by forming the slab on a minimum 200 mm thick layer of 19 mm clear stone (OPSS.MUNI 1004) (HL8 coarse aggregate (OPSS.MUNI 1150) vibrated to a dense state.

Subfloor drains are typically installed in trenches below the capillary moisture break drainage layer per the typical detail appended. If trenches are to be avoided for whatever reason, the subfloor drainage system can be incorporated into the capillary moisture break and drainage layer. In this case, the subfloor drains are laid directly on the flat subgrade and backfilled with a minimum 300 mm thick layer of HL8 coarse aggregate (OPSS.MUNI 1150) or HPB, vibrated to a dense state. Any solid collection pipes must be sloped so that they positively discharge to the sumps.

Prior to placement of the capillary moisture break and construction of the slab, the cut subgrade be cut and inspected by Grounded for obvious exposed loose or disturbed areas, or for areas containing excessive deleterious materials or moisture. These areas shall be recompacted in place and retested, or else replaced with Granular B placed as engineered fill (in lifts 150 mm thick or less and compacted to a minimum of 98 percent SPMDD). The slab on grade should not



be placed on frozen subgrade, to prevent settlement of the slab as the subgrade thaws. Areas of frozen subgrade should be removed during subgrade preparation.

Without proper filtering there may be entry of fines from the surrounding subgrade soils into the bedding. This loss of ground could result in a loss of support of the slab and clogging of the subfloor drainage system. The use of a non-woven geotextile can be used to prevent fines from the subgrade soils from entering the drainage layer beneath the slab on grade.

### **3.6 Long-Term Groundwater and Seepage Control**

To limit seepage to the extent practicable, exterior grades adjacent to foundation walls should be sloped at a minimum 2 percent gradient away from the wall for 1.2 m minimum.

For a conventional drained basement approach, perimeter and subfloor drainage systems are required for the underground structure. Subfloor drainage collects and removes the seepage that infiltrates under the floor. Perimeter drainage collects and removes seepage that infiltrates at the foundation walls. The exterior faces of foundation walls should be provided with a layer of waterproofing to protect interior finishes.

Subfloor drainage pipes are to be spaced at an average 6 m (measured on-centres). If subdrain elevation conflicts with top of footing elevation, footings should be lowered as necessary.

The walls of the substructure are to be fully drained to eliminate hydrostatic pressure. Where drained basement walls are made directly against shoring, prefabricated composite drainage panel covering the blind side of the wall is used to provide drainage. Seepage from the composite drainage panel is collected and discharged through the basement wall in solid ports directly to the sumps. A layer of waterproofing placed between the drain core product and the basement wall should be considered to protect interior finishes from moisture.

In an open cut excavation, basement wall drainage is installed directly against the basement wall from the open cut side. Perimeter foundation drains made in this application comprise perforated pipe (minimum 100 mm diameter) surrounded by a granular filter of OPSS.MUNI HL-8 Coarse Aggregate providing a minimum 300 mm of cover over the drain pipe.

Typical basement drainage details are appended.

The perimeter and subfloor drainage systems are critical structural elements since they eliminate hydrostatic pressure from acting on the basement walls and floor slab. The sumps that ensure the performance of these systems must have a duplexed pump arrangement providing 100% redundancy, and they must be on emergency power. The sumps should be sized by the mechanical engineer to adequately accommodate the estimated volume of water seepage.

The permanent dewatering requirements are provided in Grounded's Hydrogeological Report (File No. 22-085).



## 4 Pavement Design Advice

The design presented below is only for areas in which the pavements will rest on a soil subgrade.

### 4.1 Pavement Engineering Recommendations

The following design pertains to asphaltic concrete pavements ('pavement') where the pavement will rest on a soil subgrade as described above.

The following Ontario Provincial Standards Specifications (OPSS.MUNI) apply to the pavement construction and material requirements:

- OPSS.MUNI 310 - Hot Mix Asphalt
- OPSS.MUNI 501 - Compacting
- OPSS.MUNI 1010 - Aggregates – Base, Subbase, Select Subgrade, and Backfill Material
- OPSS.MUNI 1101 - Performance Graded Asphalt Cement
- OPSS.MUNI 1150 - Hot Mix Asphalt

The pavement construction and material should also follow the relevant city specifications, as applicable.

#### 4.1.1 Pavement Subgrade Preparation

Topsoil and existing wet or organic rich earth fill soils are considered unsuitable for the pavement subgrade. These materials must be stripped down to acceptable subgrade prior to pavement construction.

Existing earth fill, if cleared of organic rich or wet soils, and native subgrade will provide adequate subgrade for the support of the pavement. The subgrade must be proof-rolled and inspected under the supervision of Grounded for obvious loose or disturbed soils or where there is deleterious materials or moisture. These areas can either be recompacted in place and retested, or replaced with Granular B in lifts 150 mm thick or less, and compacted to a minimum of 98% SPMDD.

The subgrade for all pavement structures shall be frost tapered at a 3H to 1V slope to match with existing pavement structures, to reduce differential settlements due to frost heave.

#### 4.1.2 Pavement Design

Minimum and performance asphaltic concrete pavement designs are outlined in the tables below.

The following **basic pavement design** will last for 8 to 10 years before significant maintenance is required, depending on the traffic volume.





<b>Basic Pavement Structure</b>	<b>Compaction Requirement</b>	<b>Car Parking Minimum Component Thickness</b>	<b>Bus/Truck Traffic Minimum Component Thickness</b>
<b>Asphalt Top Lift</b> HL-3 (OPSS.MUNI 1150), and PG 58-28 (OPSS.MUNI 1101)	OPSS.MUNI 310	65 mm	40 mm
<b>Asphalt Base Course</b> HL-8 (OPSS.MUNI 1150), and PG 58-28 (OPSS.MUNI 1101)	OPSS.MUNI 310	N/A	50 mm
<b>Granular Base Course</b> 19 mm diameter crusher run limestone or Granular A (OPSS.MUNI 1010)	100% Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (ASTM-D698)	150 mm	150 mm
<b>Granular Subbase Course</b> 50 mm diameter crusher run limestone or Granular B Type II (OPSS.MUNI 1010)	98% Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (ASTM-D698)	300 mm	400 mm
<b>Total Thickness</b>		<b>515 mm</b>	<b>640 mm</b>

The following **performance pavement design** will last approximately twice as long before significant maintenance is required. The performance pavement design considers that the top layer of asphalt will be damaged over time, and therefore, will contribute less to the structural strength of the asphalt.

<b>Performance Pavement Structure</b>	<b>Compaction Requirement</b>	<b>Car Parking Minimum Component Thickness</b>	<b>Bus/Truck Traffic Minimum Component Thickness</b>
<b>Asphalt Top Lift</b> HL-3 (OPSS.MUNI 1150), and PG 58-28 (OPSS.MUNI 1101)	OPSS.MUNI 310	40 mm	40 mm
<b>Asphalt Base Course</b> HL-8 (OPSS.MUNI 1150), and PG 58-28 (OPSS.MUNI 1101)	OPSS.MUNI 310	50 mm	80 mm
<b>Granular Base Course</b> 19 mm diameter crusher run limestone or Granular A (OPSS.MUNI 1010)	100% Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (ASTM-D698)	150 mm	150 mm
<b>Granular Subbase Course</b> 50 mm diameter crusher run limestone or Granular B Type II (OPSS.MUNI 1010)	98% Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (ASTM-D698)	400 mm	500 mm
<b>Total Thickness</b>		<b>640 mm</b>	<b>770 mm</b>

The existing subgrade soils have a low to moderate susceptibility to frost heave, and pavement on these materials must be designed accordingly.



### 4.1.3 Pavement Drainage

Adequate drainage of the pavement subgrade is required. Prior to paving, the subgrade should be free of any depressions and sloped at a minimum grade of 2% to provide positive drainage. Perforated plastic subdrains (100 mm diameter) should be designed to collect subgrade water and positively outlet it at the catch basins. Typical pavement drainage details are appended.

Controlling surface water is important in keeping pavements in good maintenance. Grading adjacent pavement areas must be designed so that water is not allowed to pond adjacent to the outside edges of the pavement or curb.

## 5 Considerations for Construction

### 5.1 Excavations

Excavations must be carried out in accordance with the *Occupational Health and Safety Act – Regulation 213/91 – Construction Projects (Part III - Excavations, Section 222 through 242)*. These regulations designate four (4) broad classifications of soils to stipulate appropriate measures for excavation safety. For practical purposes:

- The earth fill is a Type 4 soil, or Type 3 soil if dewatered
- The glacial till is a Type 3 soil, or Type 2 soil if dewatered

In accordance with the regulation's requirements, the soil must be suitably sloped and/or braced where workers must enter a trench or excavation deeper than 1.2 m. Safe excavation slopes (of no more than 3 m in height) by soil type are stipulated as follows:

Soil Type	Base of Slope	Steepest Slope Inclination
1	within 1.2 metres of bottom of trench	1 horizontal to 1 vertical
2	within 1.2 metres of bottom of trench	1 horizontal to 1 vertical
3	from bottom of trench	1 horizontal to 1 vertical
4	from bottom of trench	3 horizontal to 1 vertical

Minimum support system requirements for steeper excavations are stipulated in Sections 235 through 238 and 241 of the Act and Regulations and include provisions for timbering, shoring and moveable trench boxes. Any excavation slopes greater than 3 m in height should be checked by Grounded for global stability issues.

Larger obstructions (e.g. buried concrete debris, other obstructions) not directly observed in the boreholes are likely present in the earth fill. Similarly, larger inclusions (e.g. cobbles and boulders) may be encountered in the native soils. The size and distribution of these obstructions cannot be predicted with boreholes, as the split spoon sampler is not large enough to capture particles



of this size. Provision must be made in excavation contracts to allocate risks associated with the time spent and equipment utilized to remove or penetrate such obstructions when encountered.

## 5.2 Short-Term Groundwater Control

Considerations pertaining to groundwater discharge quantities and quality are discussed in Grounded's hydrogeological report for the site (File No. 22-085), under separate cover.

The groundwater table is approximately 1.7 m below grade which will likely coincide with the bulk excavation elevation for spread footings on undisturbed glacial till. Positive dewatering to lower the groundwater table will be required to facilitate construction as well as to maintain the integrity of the subgrade for foundation and slab-on-grade support. Dewatering will take some time to accomplish prior to the start of excavation. The water level must be kept at least 1.2 m below the lowest excavation elevation during construction. Failure to dewater prior to excavation will result in unrecoverable disturbance of the subgrade, which will render advice provided for undisturbed subgrade conditions inapplicable.

A professional dewatering contractor should be consulted to review the subsurface conditions and to design a site-specific dewatering system. It is the dewatering contractor's responsibility to assess the factual data and to provide recommendations on dewatering system requirements.

Should the excavation be supported using permeable soldier pile and lagging shoring, positive dewatering will be required on a continuous ongoing basis during excavation and throughout construction.

## 5.3 Site Work

To better protect wet undisturbed subgrade, excavations exposing wet soils must be cut neat, inspected, and then immediately protected with a skim coat of concrete (i.e. a mud mat). Wet sands are susceptible to degradation and disturbance due to even mild site work, frost, weather, or a combination thereof.

The effects of work on site can greatly impact soil integrity. Care must be taken to prevent this damage. Site work carried out during periods of inclement weather may result in the subgrade becoming disturbed, unless a granular working mat is placed to preserve the subgrade soils in their undisturbed condition. Subgrade preparation activities should not be conducted in wet weather and the project must be scheduled accordingly.

If site work causes disturbance to the subgrade, removal of the disturbed soils and the use of granular fill material for site restoration or underfloor fill will be required at additional cost to the project.

It is construction activity itself that often imparts the most severe loading conditions on the subgrade. Special provisions such as end dumping and forward spreading of earth and aggregate



fills, restricted construction lanes, and half-loads during placement of the granular base and other work may be required, especially if construction is carried out during unfavourable weather.

Adequate temporary frost protection for the founding subgrade must be provided if construction proceeds in freezing weather conditions. The subgrade at this site is susceptible to frost damage. The slab on grade should not be placed on frozen subgrade, to prevent settlement of the slab as the subgrade thaws. Areas of frozen subgrade should be removed during subgrade preparation. Depending on the project context, consideration should be given to frost effects (heaving, softening, etc.) on exposed subgrade surfaces.

## 5.4 Engineering Review

By issuing this preliminary report, Grounded Engineering has assumed the role of Geotechnical Engineer of Record for this site. Grounded should be retained to review the structural engineering drawings prior to issue or construction to ensure that the recommendations in this report have been appropriately implemented.

All foundation installations must be reviewed in the field by Grounded, the Geotechnical Engineer of Record, as they are constructed. The on-site review of the condition of the founding subgrade as the foundations are constructed is as much a part of the geotechnical engineering design function as the design itself; it is also required by Section 4.2.2.2 of the Ontario Building Code. If Grounded is not retained to carry out foundation engineering field review during construction, then Grounded accepts no responsibility for the performance or non-performance of the foundations, even if they are constructed in general conformance with the engineering design advice contained in this report.

House foundations designed under Part 9 of the Building Code are approved by local building inspectors. Prior to placing concrete for foundations of dwellings, the foundation areas must be cleaned of all deleterious materials such as topsoil, fill, and softened, disturbed, or caved materials, as well as any standing water.

The long-term performance of a slab on grade is highly dependent upon the subgrade support and drainage conditions. Strict procedures must be maintained during construction to maintain the integrity of the subgrade to the extent possible. The design advice in this report is based on an assessment of the subgrade support capabilities as indicated by the boreholes. These conditions may vary across the site depending on the final design grades and therefore, the preparation of the subgrade and the compaction of all fill should be monitored by Grounded at the time of construction to confirm material quality, thickness, and to ensure adequate compaction.

A visual pre-construction survey of adjacent lands and buildings is recommended to be completed prior to the start of any construction. This documents the baseline condition and can prevent unwarranted damage claims. Any shoring system, regardless of the execution and design, has the potential for movement. Small changes in stress or soil volume can cause cracking in adjacent buildings.



## 6 Limitations and Restrictions

Grounded should be retained to review the structural engineering drawings prior to issue or construction to ensure that the recommendations in this report have been appropriately implemented.

This preliminary geotechnical engineering study is intended for due diligence purposes only. At detailed design, additional site-specific boreholes, groundwater monitoring wells, and updated detailed geotechnical engineering advice are required. Once completed, the future detailed geotechnical engineering report by Grounded Engineering would then supersede this preliminary report.

### 6.1 Investigation Procedures

The geotechnical engineering analysis and advice provided are based on the factual borehole information observed and recorded by Grounded. The investigation methodology and engineering analysis methods used to carry out this scope of work are consistent with conventional standard practice by Grounded as well as other geotechnical consultants, working under similar conditions and constraints (time, financial and physical).

Borehole drilling services were provided to Grounded by a specialist professional contractor. The drilling was observed and recorded by Grounded's field supervisor on a full-time basis. Drilling was conducted using conventional drilling rigs equipped with hollow stem augers and mud rotary drilling equipment. As drilling proceeded, groundwater observations were made in the boreholes. Based on examination of recovered borehole samples, our field supervisor made a record of borehole and drilling observations. The field samples were secured in air-tight clean jars and bags and taken to the Grounded soil laboratory where they were each logged and reviewed by the geotechnical engineering team and the senior reviewer.

The Split-Barrel Method technique (ASTM D1586) was used to obtain the soils samples. The sampling was conducted at conventional intervals and not continuously. As such, stratigraphic interpolation between samples is required and stratigraphic boundary lines do not represent exact depths of geological change. They should be taken as gradual transition zones between soil or rock types.

A carefully conducted, fully comprehensive investigation and sampling scope of work carried out under the most stringent level of oversight may still fail to detect certain ground conditions. As such, users of this report must be aware of the risks inherent in using engineered field investigations to observe and record subsurface conditions. As a necessary requirement of working with discrete test locations, Grounded has assumed that the conditions between test locations are the same as the test locations themselves, for the purposes of providing geotechnical engineering advice.



It is not possible to design a field investigation with enough test locations that would provide complete subsurface information, nor is it possible to provide geotechnical engineering advice that completely identifies or quantifies every element that could affect construction, scheduling, or tendering. Contractors undertaking work based on this report (in whole or in part) must make their own determination of how they may be affected by the subsurface conditions, based on their own analysis of the factual information provided and based on their own means and methods. Contractors using this report must be aware of the risks implicit in using factual information at discrete test locations to infer subsurface conditions across the site and are directed to conduct their own investigations as needed.

## **6.2 Site and Scope Changes**

Natural occurrences, the passage of time, local construction, and other human activity all have the potential to directly or indirectly alter the subsurface conditions at or near the project site. Contractual obligations related to groundwater or stormwater control, disturbed soils, frost protection, etc. must be considered with attention and care as they relate this potential site alteration.

The geotechnical engineering advice provided in this report is based on the factual observations made from the site investigations as reported. It is intended for use by the owner and their retained design team. If there are changes to the features of the development or to the scope, the interpreted subsurface information, geotechnical engineering design parameters, advice, and discussion on construction considerations may not be relevant or complete for the project. Grounded should be retained to review the implications of such changes with respect to the contents of this report.

This report provides preliminary geotechnical engineering advice intended for use by the owner and their retained design team for due diligence only. These preliminary interpretations, design parameters, advice, and discussion on construction considerations are not complete. A detailed site-specific geotechnical investigation must be conducted by Grounded during detailed design to confirm and update the preliminary recommendations provided here.

## **6.3 Report Use**

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## 7 Closure

If the design team has any questions regarding the discussion and advice provided, please do not hesitate to have them contact our office. We trust that this report meets your requirements at present.

For and on behalf of our team,



Nico Piers, B.A.Sc., EIT  
Project Coordinator

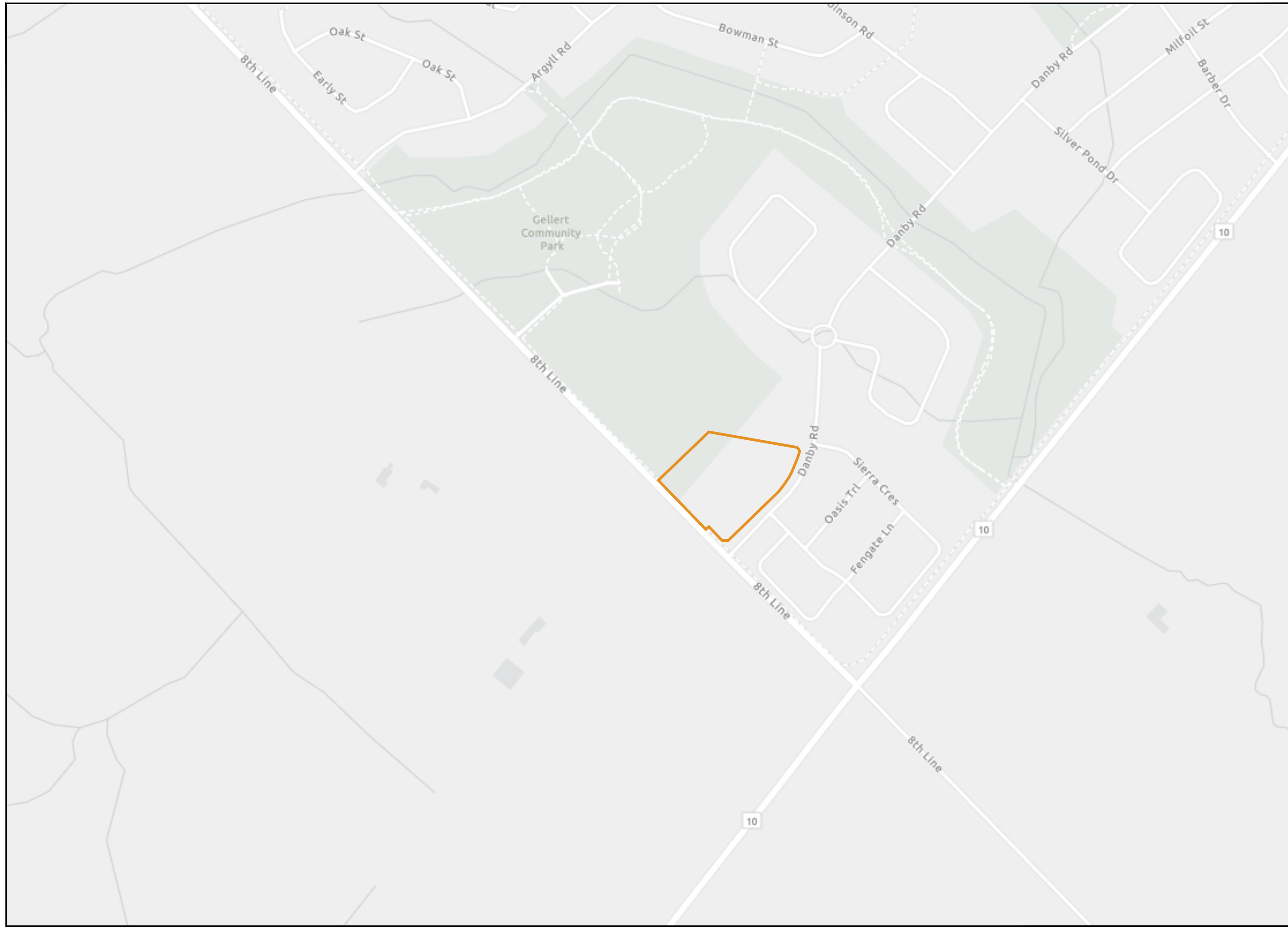


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Principal

# FIGURES





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**LEGEND**

— APPROXIMATE PROPERTY BOUNDARY

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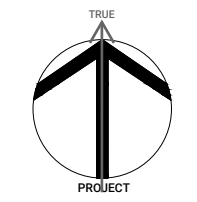
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Figure Title

**SITE LOCATION PLAN**

North



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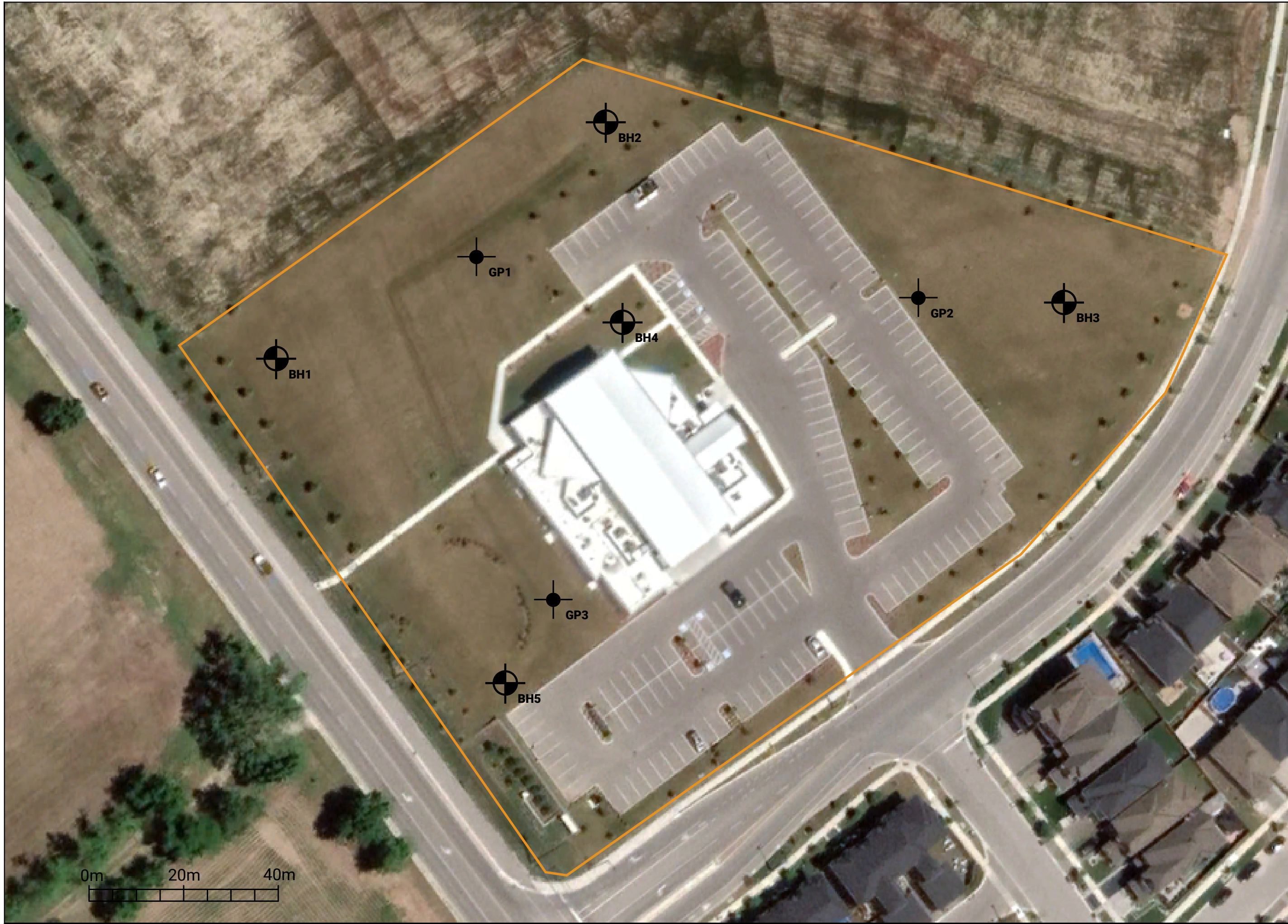
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**FIGURE 1**



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**LEGEND**

-  APPROXIMATE PROPERTY BOUNDARY
-  MONITORING WELL/BOREHOLE BY GROUNDED
-  GUELPH PERMEAMETER BY GROUNDED

Note

Reference

Google Earth 2021

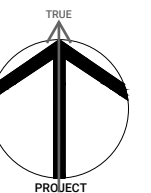
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**BOREHOLE LOCATION  
PLAN**

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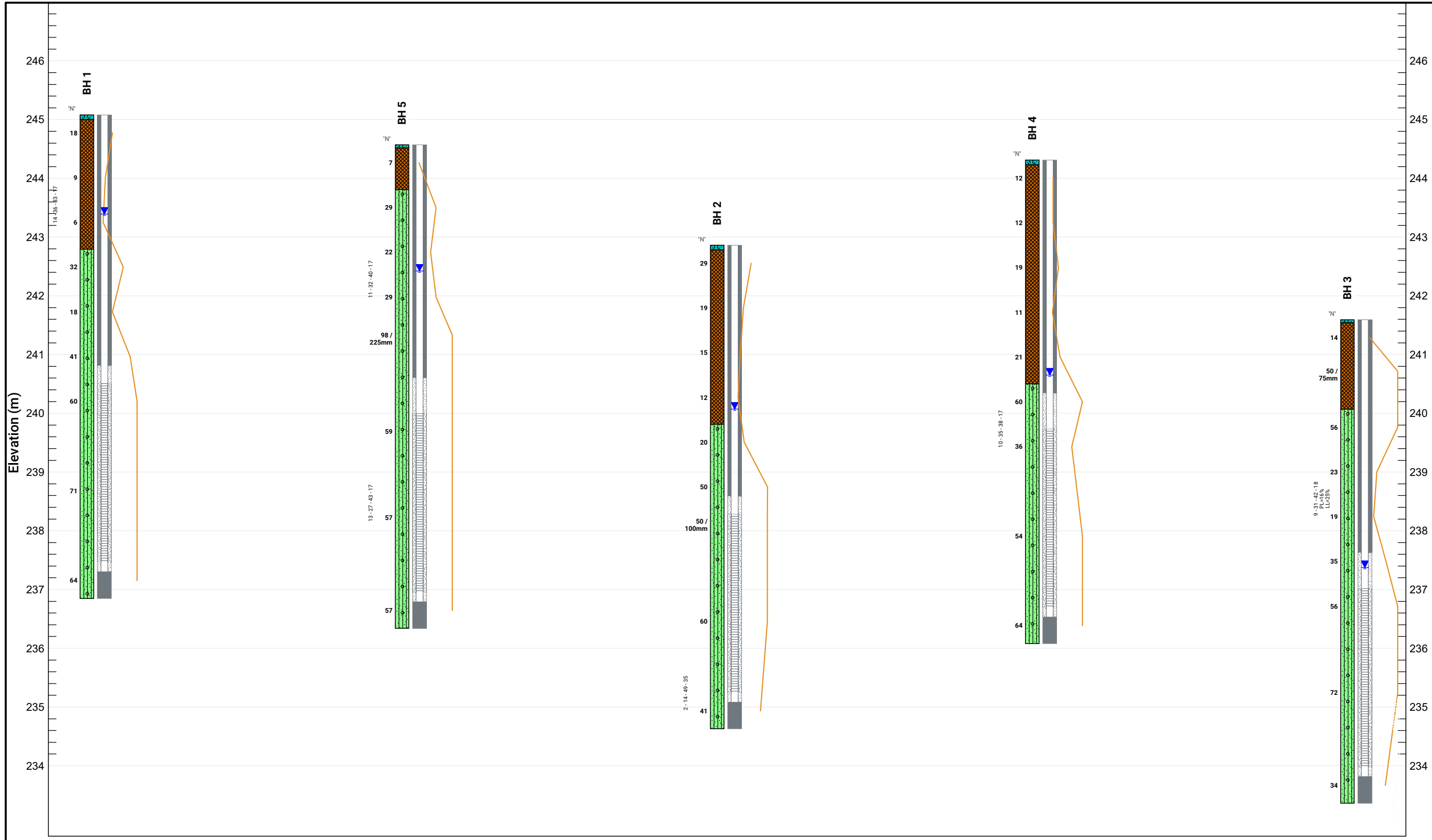
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
**FIGURE 2**





**LEGEND**

-  FILL
-  GRAVELS (gravel to gravelly sand)
-  SILT TO SAND (not till)
-  COHESIONLESS TILLS
-  COHESIVE SOILS (clayey silt to clay, incl. tills)
-  DISTURBED/REWORKED/ORGANIC

-  water level, unstabilized
-  water level, stabilized (latest)
-  water level, stabilized (highest)

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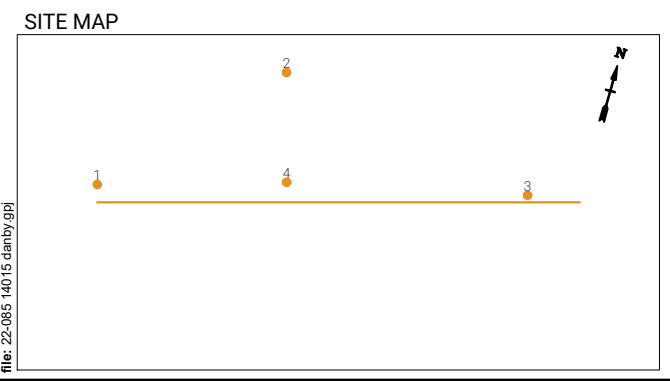
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
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**FIGURE 3**



**LITHOLOGY GRAPHIC LEGEND**

-  Topsoil
-  Fill
-  Sandy Silt Till

*Boreholes Equally Spaced*

# APPENDIX A





## SAMPLING/TESTING METHODS

SS: split spoon sample  
 AS: auger sample  
 GS: grab sample  
 FV: shear vane  
 DP: direct push  
 PMT: pressuremeter test  
 ST: shelby tube  
 CORE: soil coring  
 RUN: rock coring

## SYMBOLS & ABBREVIATIONS

MC: moisture content  
 LL: liquid limit  
 PL: plastic limit  
 PI: plasticity index  
 $\gamma$ : soil unit weight (bulk)  
 $G_s$ : specific gravity  
 $S_u$ : undrained shear strength  
 unstabalized water level  
 1st water level measurement  
 2nd water level measurement most recent  
 water level measurement

## ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES

M&I: metals and inorganic parameters  
 PAH: polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon  
 PCB: polychlorinated biphenyl  
 VOC: volatile organic compound  
 PHC: petroleum hydrocarbon  
 BTEX: benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylene  
 PPM: parts per million

## FIELD MOISTURE (based on tactile inspection)

**DRY:** no observable pore water  
**MOIST:** inferred pore water, not observable (i.e. grey, cool, etc.)  
**WET:** visible pore water

## COHESIONLESS

Relative Density	N-Value
Very Loose	<4
Loose	4 - 10
Compact	10 - 30
Dense	30 - 50
Very Dense	>50

## COHESIVE

Consistency	N-Value	Su (kPa)
Very Soft	<2	<12
Soft	2 - 4	12 - 25
Firm	4 - 8	25 - 50
Stiff	8 - 15	50 - 100
Very Stiff	15 - 30	100 - 200
Hard	>30	>200

## COMPOSITION

Term	% by weight
trace silt	<10
some silt	10 - 20
silty	20 - 35
sand and silt	>35

## ASTM STANDARDS

### ASTM D1586 Standard Penetration Test (SPT)

Driving a 51 mm O.D. split-barrel sampler ("split spoon") into soil with a 63.5 kg weight free falling 760 mm. The blows required to drive the split spoon 300 mm ("bpf") after an initial penetration of 150 mm is referred to as the N-Value.

### ASTM D3441 Cone Penetration Test (CPT)

Pushing an internal still rod with a outer hollow rod ("sleeve") tipped with a cone with an apex angle of 60° and a cross-sectional area of 1000 mm<sup>2</sup> into soil. The resistance is measured in the sleeve and at the tip to determine the skin friction and the tip resistance.

### ASTM D2573 Field Vane Test (FVT)

Pushing a four blade vane into soil and rotating it from the surface to determine the torque required to shear a cylindrical surface with the vane. The torque is converted to the shear strength of the soil using a limit equilibrium analysis.

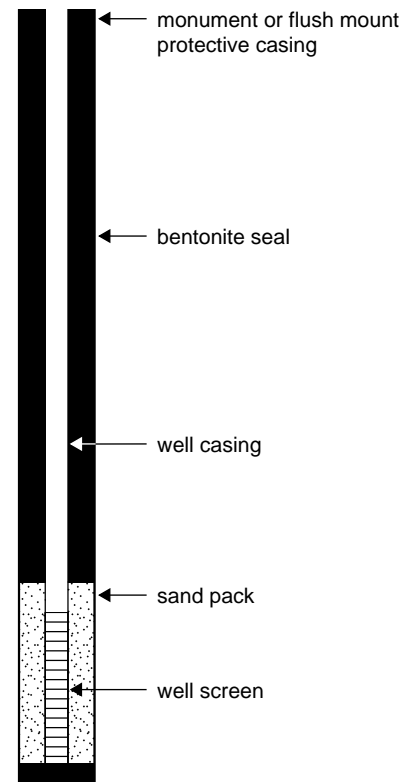
### ASTM D1587 Shelby Tubes (ST)

Pushing a thin-walled metal tube into the in-situ soil at the bottom of a borehole, removing the tube and sealing the ends to prevent soil movement or changes in moisture content for the purposes of extracting a relatively undisturbed sample.

### ASTM D4719 Pressuremeter Test (PMT)

Place an inflatable cylindrical probe into a pre-drilled hole and expanding it while measuring the change in volume and pressure in the probe. It is inflated under either equal pressure increments or equal volume increments. This provides the stress-strain response of the soil.

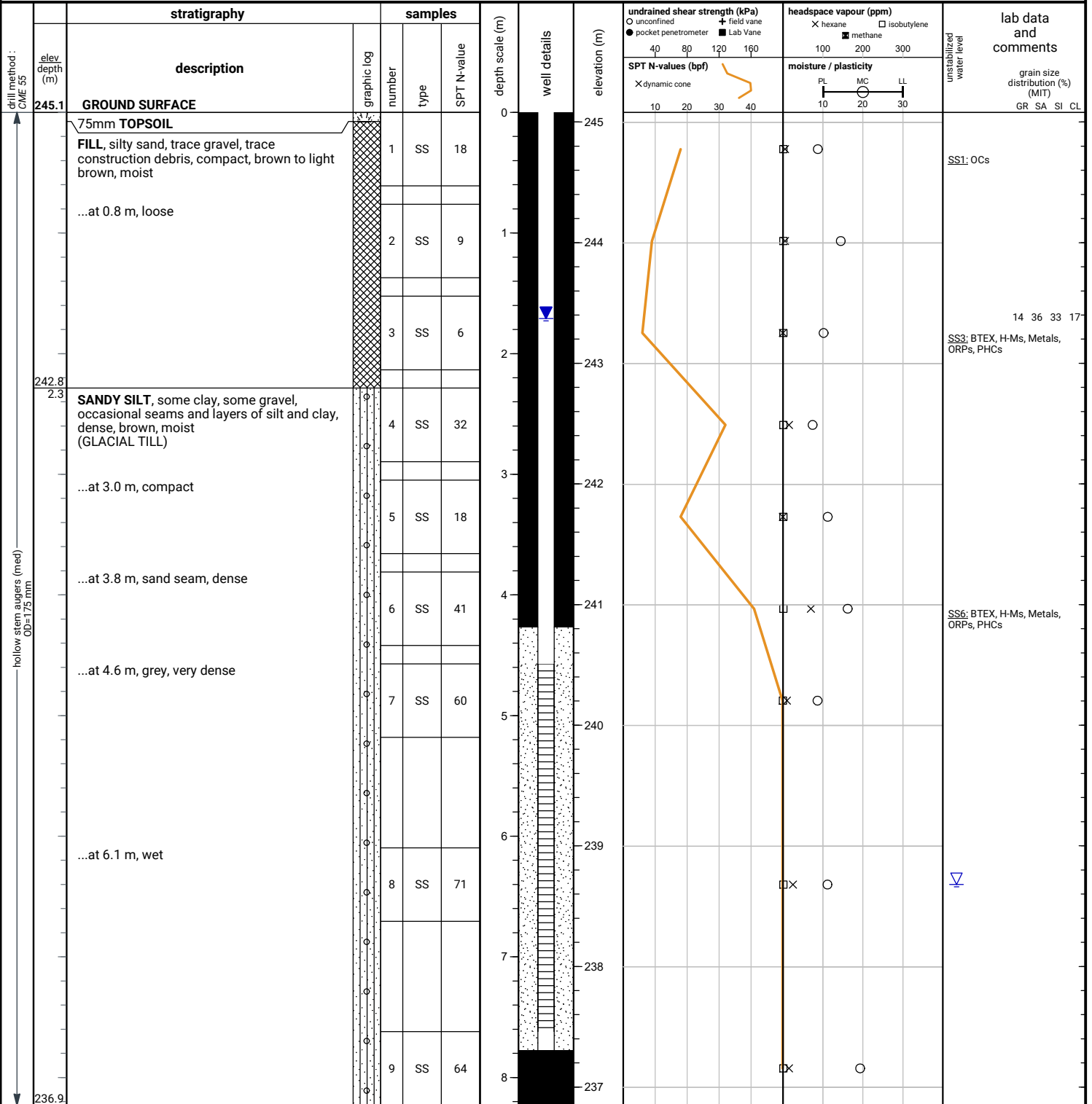
## WELL LEGEND



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END OF BOREHOLE

Unstabilized water level measured at 6.4 m below ground surface upon completion of drilling.

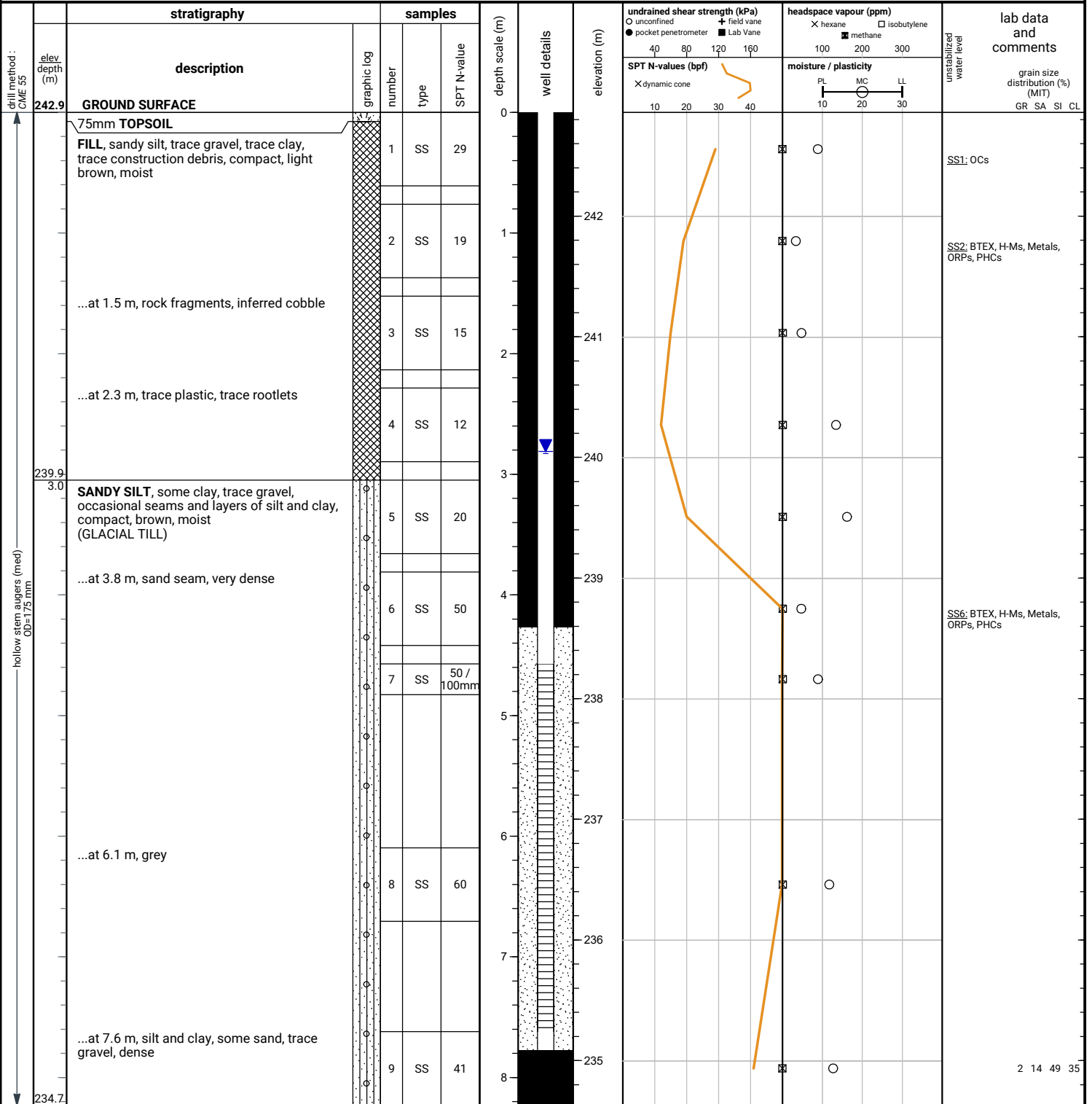
50 mm dia. monitoring well installed.  
No. 10 screen

GROUNDWATER LEVELS		
date	depth (m)	elevation (m)
Jun 2, 2022	1.7	243.4

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**END OF BOREHOLE**

Water level and cave not measured upon completion of drilling.

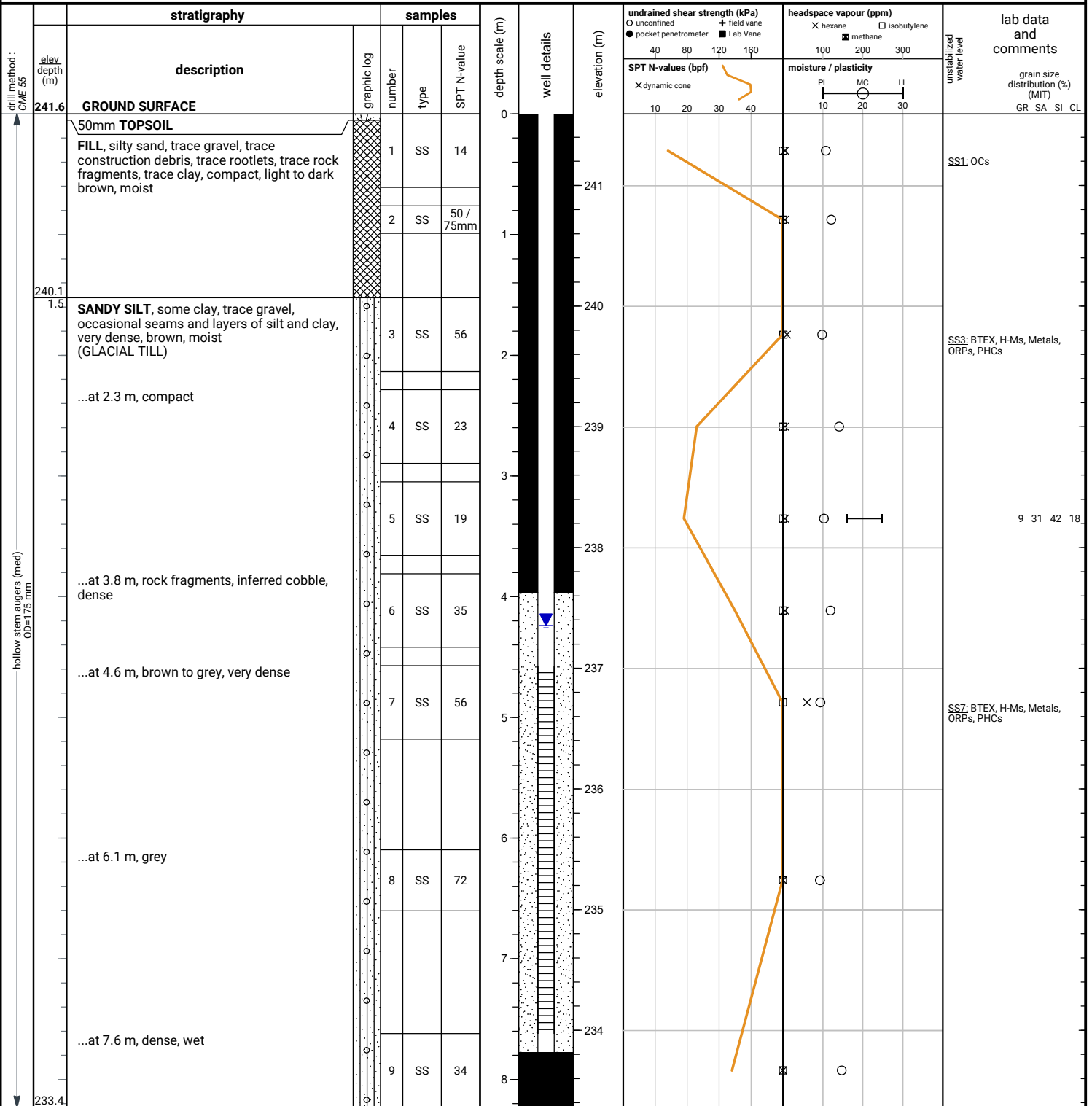
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END OF BOREHOLE

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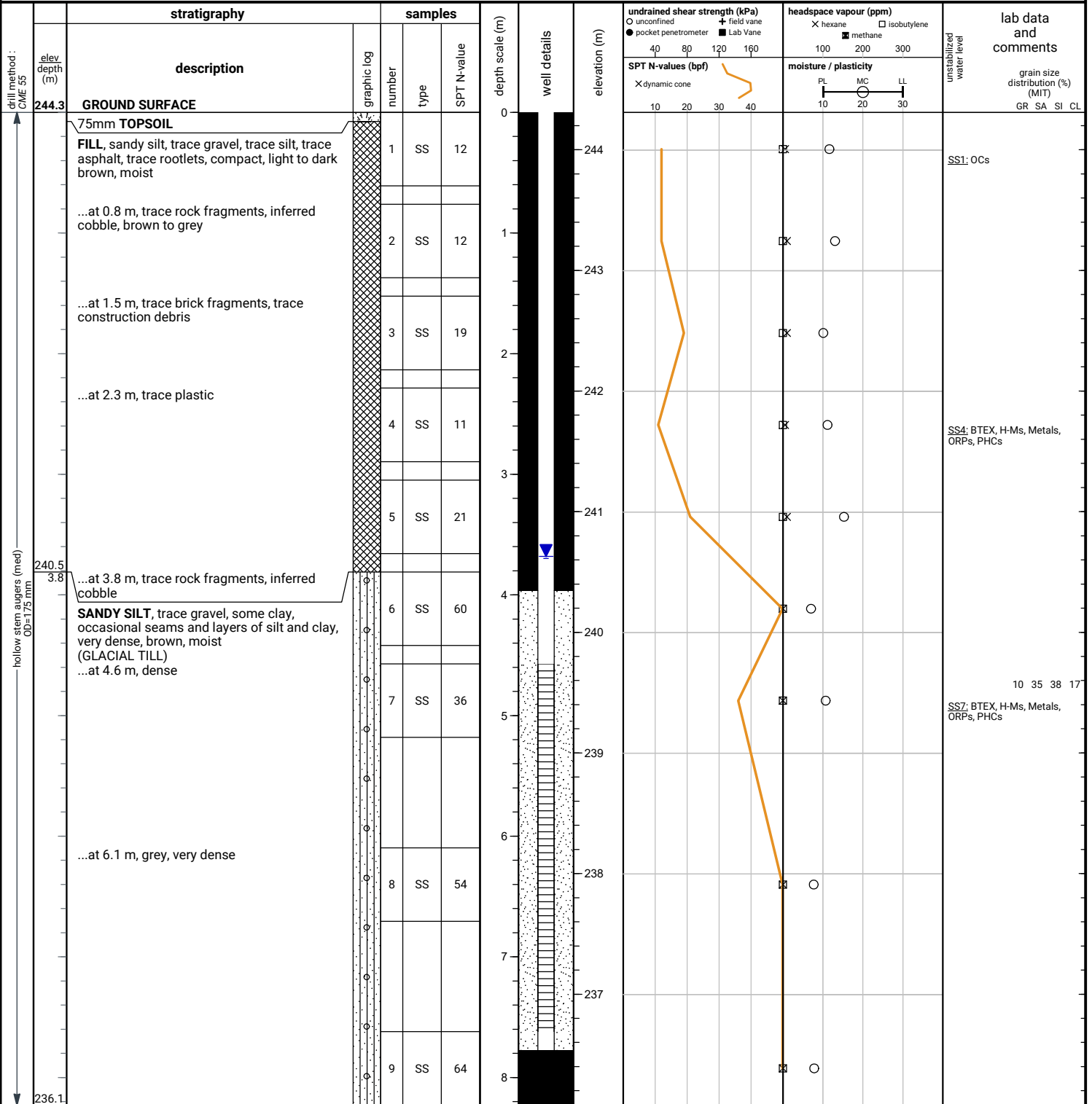
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GROUNDWATER LEVELS		
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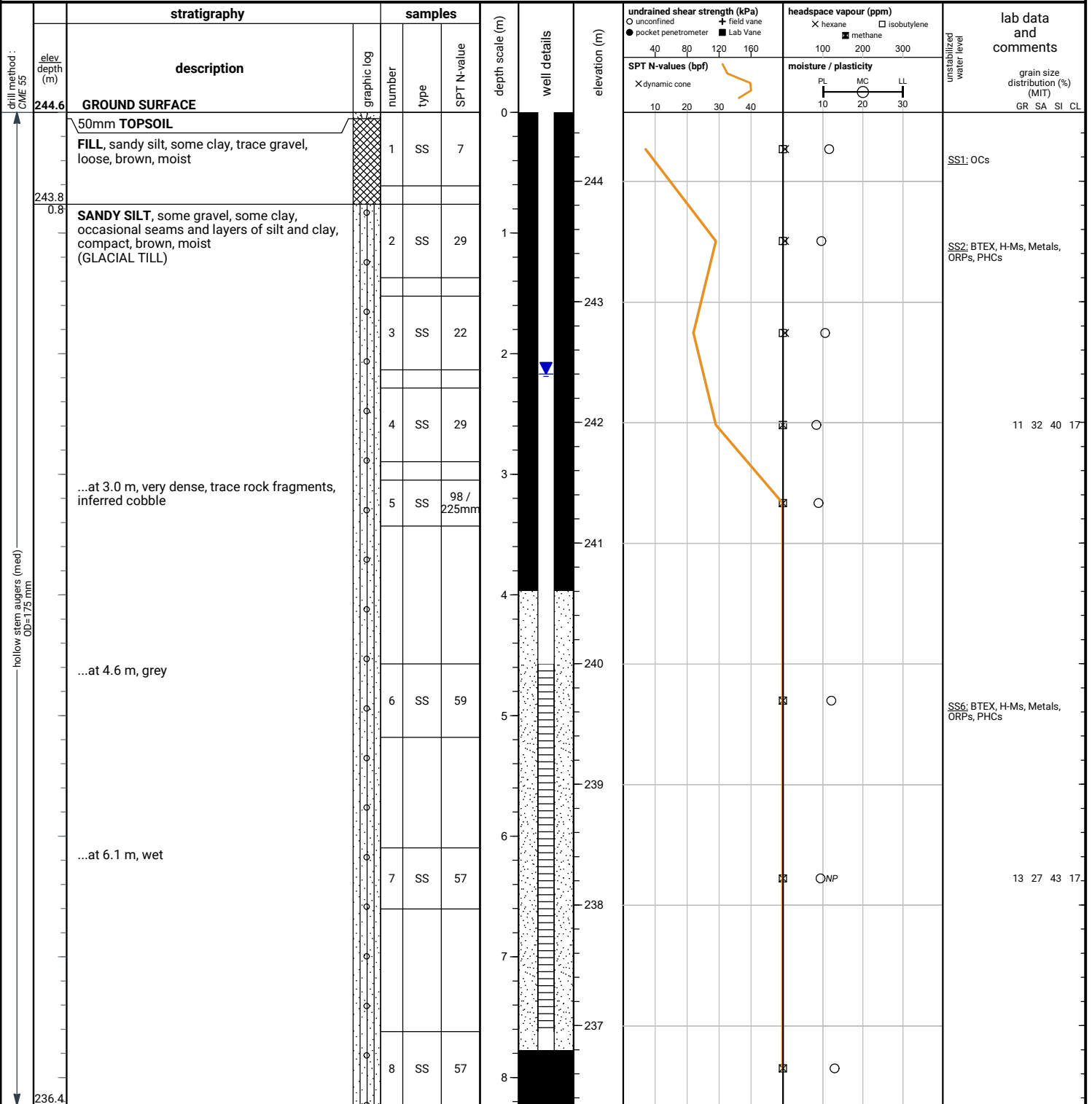
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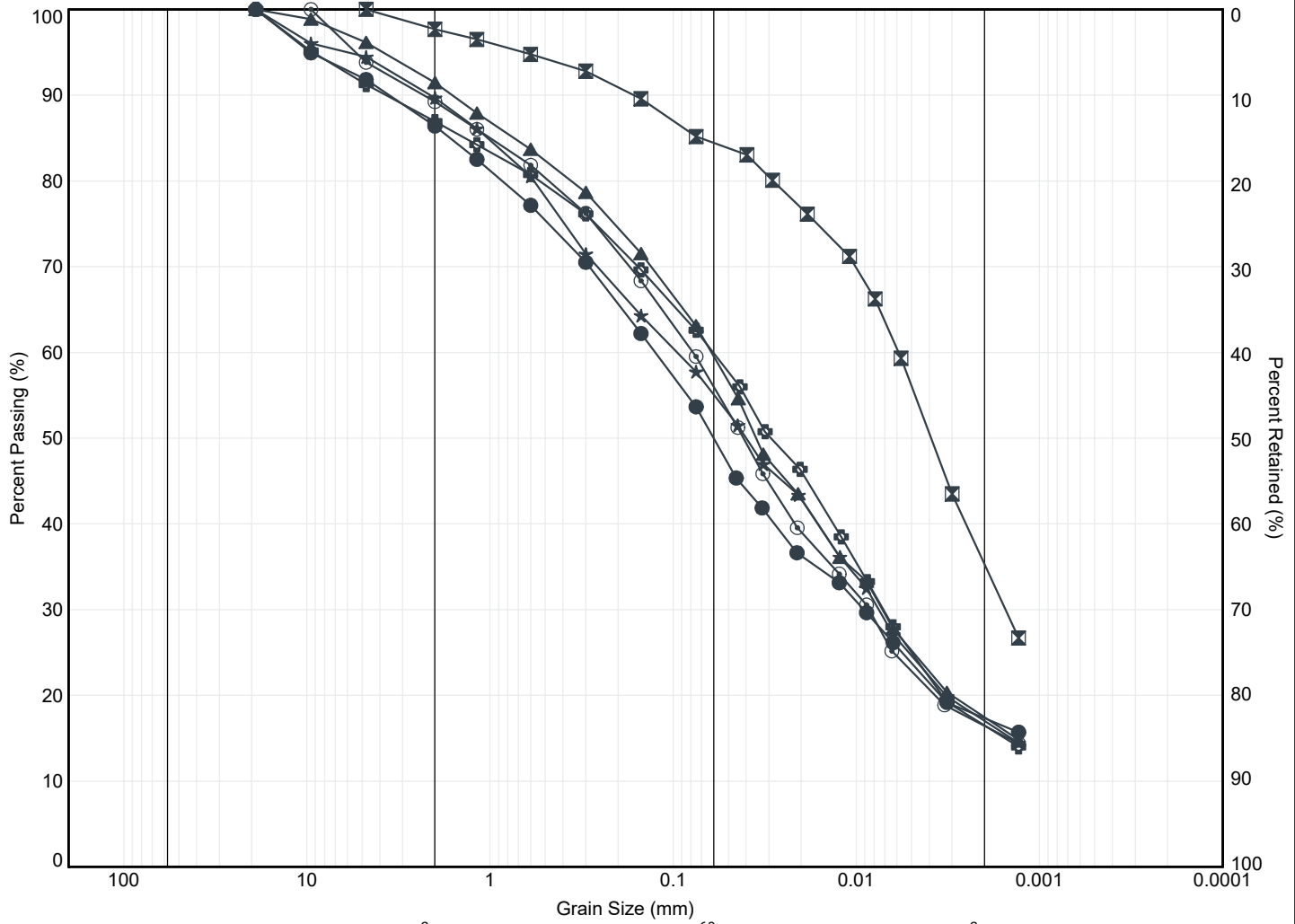
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GROUNDWATER LEVELS		
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# APPENDIX B







MIT SYSTEM	COBBLES	GRAVEL			SAND			SILT	CLAY
		COARSE	MEDIUM	FINE	COARSE	MEDIUM	FINE		

MIT SYSTEM

	Borehole	Sample	Depth (m)	Elev. (m)	Gravel (%)	Sand (%)	Silt (%)	Clay (%)
●	1	SS3	1.8	243.3	14	36	33	17
☒	2	SS9	7.9	234.9	2	14	49	35
▲	3	SS5	3.4	238.2	9	31	42	18
★	4	SS7	4.9	239.4	10	35	38	17
⊙	5	SS4	2.6	242.0	11	32	40	17
⊕	5	SS7	6.4	238.2	13	27	43	17

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# APPENDIX C



# CORROSIVITY (ALS)



## Results Summary L2711222

**Job Reference** 22-085  
**Report To** Nicholas Piers, Grounded Engineering Inc  
**Date Received** 1-Jun-2022 11:00  
**Report Date** 14-Jun-2022 7:14  
**Report Version** 1

Client Sample ID			BH1-SS5	BH5-SS4	BH5-SS8
Date Sampled			30-May-2022	30-May-2022	30-May-2022
Time Sampled			12:00	12:00	12:00
ALS Sample ID			L2711222-1	L2711222-2	L2711222-3
Parameter	Lowest Detection Limit	Units	Soil	Soil	Soil

### Physical Tests (Soil)

Parameter	Lowest Detection Limit	Units	BH1-SS5	BH5-SS4	BH5-SS8
Conductivity	0.0040	mS/cm	0.217	0.189	0.303
% Moisture	0.25	%	9.15	9.40	11.0
pH	0.10	pH units	7.88	8.00	8.17
Redox Potential	-1000	mV	314	240	257
Resistivity	1.0	ohm*cm	4610	5280	3300

### Leachable Anions & Nutrients (Soil)

Parameter	Lowest Detection Limit	Units	BH1-SS5	BH5-SS4	BH5-SS8
Chloride	5.0	ug/g	77.8	63.8	22.3

### Anions and Nutrients (Soil)

Parameter	Lowest Detection Limit	Units	BH1-SS5	BH5-SS4	BH5-SS8
Sulphate	20	ug/g	20	<20	142

### Inorganic Parameters (Soil)

Parameter	Lowest Detection Limit	Units	BH1-SS5	BH5-SS4	BH5-SS8
Acid Volatile Sulphides	0.20	mg/kg	0.49	0.40	0.79

## INTERPRETATION

### AWWA C-105 Standard

Parameter	Units	Points	Points	Points
% Moisture	%	1	1	1
pH	pH units	0	0	0
Redox Potential	mV	0	0	0
Resistivity	ohm*cm	0	0	0
Acid Volatile Sulphides	mg/kg	3.5	2	3.5

### TOTAL SCORE (AWWA C-105)

Sample	BH1-SS5	BH5-SS4	BH5-SS8
<b>TOTAL SCORE (AWWA C-105)</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4.5</b>
<b>Corrosion Protection Recommended?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>Resistivity less than 2000 ohm.cm?</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>No</b>

### Anions and Nutrients (Soil)

Parameter	Units	BH1-SS5	BH5-SS4	BH5-SS8
Sulphate	%	<0.002	<0.002	0.0142
<b>CLASS OF EXPOSURE</b>		<b>Negligible</b>	<b>Negligible</b>	<b>Negligible</b>



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Sample Details/Parameters	Result	Qualifier*	D.L.	Units	Extracted	Analyzed	Batch
L2711222-1 BH1-SS5 Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-MAY-22 @ 12:00 Matrix: SOIL							
<b>Physical Tests</b>							
Conductivity	0.217		0.0040	mS/cm		13-JUN-22	R5798359
% Moisture	9.15		0.25	%	02-JUN-22	03-JUN-22	R5793144
pH	7.88		0.10	pH units		03-JUN-22	R5794059
Redox Potential	314		-1000	mV		06-JUN-22	R5794795
Resistivity	4610		1.0	ohm*cm		13-JUN-22	
<b>Leachable Anions &amp; Nutrients</b>							
Chloride	77.8		5.0	ug/g	10-JUN-22	10-JUN-22	R5797695
<b>Anions and Nutrients</b>							
Sulphate	<20		20	ug/g	10-JUN-22	10-JUN-22	R5797695
<b>Inorganic Parameters</b>							
Acid Volatile Sulphides	0.49		0.20	mg/kg	02-JUN-22	02-JUN-22	R5792977
L2711222-2 BH5-SS4 Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-MAY-22 @ 12:00 Matrix: SOIL							
<b>Physical Tests</b>							
Conductivity	0.189		0.0040	mS/cm		13-JUN-22	R5798359
% Moisture	9.40		0.25	%	02-JUN-22	03-JUN-22	R5793144
pH	8.00		0.10	pH units		03-JUN-22	R5794059
Redox Potential	240		-1000	mV		06-JUN-22	R5794795
Resistivity	5280		1.0	ohm*cm		13-JUN-22	
<b>Leachable Anions &amp; Nutrients</b>							
Chloride	63.8		5.0	ug/g	10-JUN-22	10-JUN-22	R5797695
<b>Anions and Nutrients</b>							
Sulphate	<20		20	ug/g	10-JUN-22	10-JUN-22	R5797695
<b>Inorganic Parameters</b>							
Acid Volatile Sulphides	0.40		0.20	mg/kg	02-JUN-22	02-JUN-22	R5792977
L2711222-3 BH5-SS8 Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-MAY-22 @ 12:00 Matrix: SOIL							
<b>Physical Tests</b>							
Conductivity	0.303		0.0040	mS/cm		13-JUN-22	R5798359
% Moisture	11.0		0.25	%	07-JUN-22	08-JUN-22	R5795110
pH	8.17		0.10	pH units		03-JUN-22	R5794059
Redox Potential	257		-1000	mV		06-JUN-22	R5794795
Resistivity	3300		1.0	ohm*cm		13-JUN-22	
<b>Leachable Anions &amp; Nutrients</b>							
Chloride	22.3		5.0	ug/g	10-JUN-22	10-JUN-22	R5797695
<b>Anions and Nutrients</b>							
Sulphate	142		20	ug/g	10-JUN-22	10-JUN-22	R5797695
<b>Inorganic Parameters</b>							
Acid Volatile Sulphides	0.79		0.20	mg/kg	02-JUN-22	02-JUN-22	R5792977

\* Refer to Referenced Information for Qualifiers (if any) and Methodology.

## Reference Information

**Test Method References:**

ALS Test Code	Matrix	Test Description	Method Reference**
CL-R511-WT	Soil	Chloride-O.Reg 153/04 (July 2011)	EPA 300.0
<p>5 grams of dried soil is mixed with 10 grams of distilled water for a minimum of 30 minutes. The extract is filtered and analyzed by ion chromatography.</p> <p>Analysis conducted in accordance with the Protocol for Analytical Methods Used in the Assessment of Properties under Part XV.1 of the Environmental Protection Act (July 1, 2011 and as of November 30, 2020), unless a subset of the Analytical Test Group (ATG) has been requested (the Protocol states that all analytes in an ATG must be reported).</p>			
EC-WT	Soil	Conductivity (EC)	MOEE E3138
<p>A representative subsample is tumbled with de-ionized (DI) water. The ratio of water to soil is 2:1 v/w. After tumbling the sample is then analyzed by a conductivity meter.</p> <p>Analysis conducted in accordance with the Protocol for Analytical Methods Used in the Assessment of Properties under Part XV.1 of the Environmental Protection Act (July 1, 2011).</p>			
MOISTURE-WT	Soil	% Moisture	CCME PHC in Soil - Tier 1 (mod)
PH-WT	Soil	pH	MOEE E3137A
<p>A minimum 10g portion of the sample is extracted with 20mL of 0.01M calcium chloride solution by shaking for at least 30 minutes. The aqueous layer is separated from the soil and then analyzed using a pH meter and electrode.</p> <p>Analysis conducted in accordance with the Protocol for Analytical Methods Used in the Assessment of Properties under Part XV.1 of the Environmental Protection Act (July 1, 2011).</p>			
REDOX-POTENTIAL-WT	Soil	Redox Potential	APHA 2580
<p>This analysis is carried out in accordance with the procedure described in the "APHA" method 2580 "Oxidation-Reduction Potential" 2012. Samples are extracted at a fixed ratio with DI water. Results are reported as observed oxidation-reduction potential of the platinum metal-reference electrode employed, in mV.</p>			
RESISTIVITY-CALC-WT	Soil	Resistivity Calculation	APHA 2510 B
<p>"Soil Resistivity (calculated)" is determined as the inverse of the conductivity of a 2:1 water:soil leachate (dry weight). This method is intended as a rapid approximation for Soil Resistivity. Where high accuracy results are required, direct measurement of Soil Resistivity by the Wenner Four-Electrode Method (ASTM G57) is recommended.</p>			
SO4-WT	Soil	Sulphate	EPA 300.0
<p>5 grams of soil is mixed with 50 mL of distilled water for a minimum of 30 minutes. The extract is filtered and analyzed by ion chromatography.</p>			
SULPHIDE-WT	Soil	Sulphide, Acid Volatile	APHA 4500S2J
<p>This analysis is carried out in accordance with the method described in APHA 4500 S2-J. Hydrochloric acid is added to sediment samples within a purge and trap system. The evolved hydrogen sulphide (H<sub>2</sub>S) is carried into a basic solution by inert gas. The acid volatile sulfide is then determined colourimetrically.</p>			

\*\* ALS test methods may incorporate modifications from specified reference methods to improve performance.

*The last two letters of the above test code(s) indicate the laboratory that performed analytical analysis for that test. Refer to the list below:*

Laboratory Definition Code	Laboratory Location
WT	ALS ENVIRONMENTAL - WATERLOO, ONTARIO, CANADA

**Chain of Custody Numbers:**

20-1003801

## Reference Information

### GLOSSARY OF REPORT TERMS

*Surrogates are compounds that are similar in behaviour to target analyte(s), but that do not normally occur in environmental samples. For applicable tests, surrogates are added to samples prior to analysis as a check on recovery. In reports that display the D.L. column, laboratory objectives for surrogates are listed there.*

*mg/kg - milligrams per kilogram based on dry weight of sample*

*mg/kg wwt - milligrams per kilogram based on wet weight of sample*

*mg/kg lwt - milligrams per kilogram based on lipid weight of sample*

*mg/L - unit of concentration based on volume, parts per million.*

*< - Less than.*

*D.L. - The reporting limit.*

*N/A - Result not available. Refer to qualifier code and definition for explanation.*

*Test results reported relate only to the samples as received by the laboratory.*

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<b>CL-R511-WT</b>	<b>Soil</b>							
<b>Batch</b>	<b>R5797695</b>							
<b>WG3738123-3</b>	<b>CRM</b>	<b>AN-CRM-WT</b>						
Chloride			95.4		%		70-130	10-JUN-22
<b>WG3738123-4</b>	<b>DUP</b>	<b>L2711222-1</b>						
Chloride		77.8	78.4		ug/g	0.8	30	10-JUN-22
<b>WG3738123-2</b>	<b>LCS</b>							
Chloride			99.1		%		80-120	10-JUN-22
<b>WG3738123-1</b>	<b>MB</b>							
Chloride			<5.0		ug/g		5	10-JUN-22
<b>EC-WT</b>	<b>Soil</b>							
<b>Batch</b>	<b>R5798359</b>							
<b>WG3738121-3</b>	<b>DUP</b>	<b>L2711232-2</b>						
Conductivity		0.177	0.181		mS/cm	2.0	20	13-JUN-22
<b>WG3738121-2</b>	<b>IRM</b>	<b>WT SAR4</b>						
Conductivity			106.3		%		70-130	13-JUN-22
<b>WG3739021-1</b>	<b>LCS</b>							
Conductivity			102.9		%		90-110	13-JUN-22
<b>WG3738121-1</b>	<b>MB</b>							
Conductivity			<0.0040		mS/cm		0.004	13-JUN-22
<b>MOISTURE-WT</b>	<b>Soil</b>							
<b>Batch</b>	<b>R5793144</b>							
<b>WG3734713-3</b>	<b>DUP</b>	<b>L2710662-6</b>						
% Moisture		31.3	31.3		%	0.2	20	03-JUN-22
<b>WG3734713-2</b>	<b>LCS</b>							
% Moisture			100.3		%		90-110	03-JUN-22
<b>WG3734713-1</b>	<b>MB</b>							
% Moisture			<0.25		%		0.25	03-JUN-22
<b>Batch</b>	<b>R5795110</b>							
<b>WG3736238-10</b>	<b>DUP</b>	<b>L2711575-1</b>						
% Moisture		5.42	5.23		%	3.6	20	08-JUN-22
<b>WG3736238-7</b>	<b>LCS</b>							
% Moisture			99.5		%		90-110	08-JUN-22
<b>WG3736238-6</b>	<b>MB</b>							
% Moisture			<0.25		%		0.25	08-JUN-22
<b>PH-WT</b>	<b>Soil</b>							



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Test	Matrix	Reference	Result	Qualifier	Units	RPD	Limit	Analyzed
<b>PH-WT</b>	<b>Soil</b>							
Batch	R5794059							
WG3734502-1	DUP	L2711222-1						
pH		7.88	7.94	J	pH units	0.06	0.3	03-JUN-22
WG3735082-1	LCS							
pH			7.07		pH units		6.9-7.1	03-JUN-22
<b>REDOX-POTENTIAL-WT</b>	<b>Soil</b>							
Batch	R5794795							
WG3735971-1	CRM	WT-REDOX						
Redox Potential			100.0		%		90-110	06-JUN-22
WG3734416-1	DUP	L2710188-6						
Redox Potential		291	264		mV	9.7	25	06-JUN-22
<b>SO4-WT</b>	<b>Soil</b>							
Batch	R5797695							
WG3738123-3	CRM	AN-CRM-WT						
Sulphate			96.1		%		60-140	10-JUN-22
WG3738123-4	DUP	L2711222-1						
Sulphate		<20	<20	RPD-NA	ug/g	N/A	25	10-JUN-22
WG3738123-2	LCS							
Sulphate			99.3		%		70-130	10-JUN-22
WG3738123-1	MB							
Sulphate			<20		ug/g		20	10-JUN-22
<b>SULPHIDE-WT</b>	<b>Soil</b>							
Batch	R5792977							
WG3734744-3	DUP	L2711224-3						
Acid Volatile Sulphides		0.54	0.61		mg/kg	12	45	02-JUN-22
WG3734744-2	LCS							
Acid Volatile Sulphides			89.8		%		70-130	02-JUN-22
WG3734744-1	MB							
Acid Volatile Sulphides			<0.20		mg/kg		0.2	02-JUN-22

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## Legend:

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Limit	ALS Control Limit (Data Quality Objectives)
DUP	Duplicate
RPD	Relative Percent Difference
N/A	Not Available
LCS	Laboratory Control Sample
SRM	Standard Reference Material
MS	Matrix Spike
MSD	Matrix Spike Duplicate
ADE	Average Desorption Efficiency
MB	Method Blank
IRM	Internal Reference Material
CRM	Certified Reference Material
CCV	Continuing Calibration Verification
CVS	Calibration Verification Standard
LCSD	Laboratory Control Sample Duplicate

## Sample Parameter Qualifier Definitions:

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Qualifier	Description
J	Duplicate results and limits are expressed in terms of absolute difference.
RPD-NA	Relative Percent Difference Not Available due to result(s) being less than detection limit.

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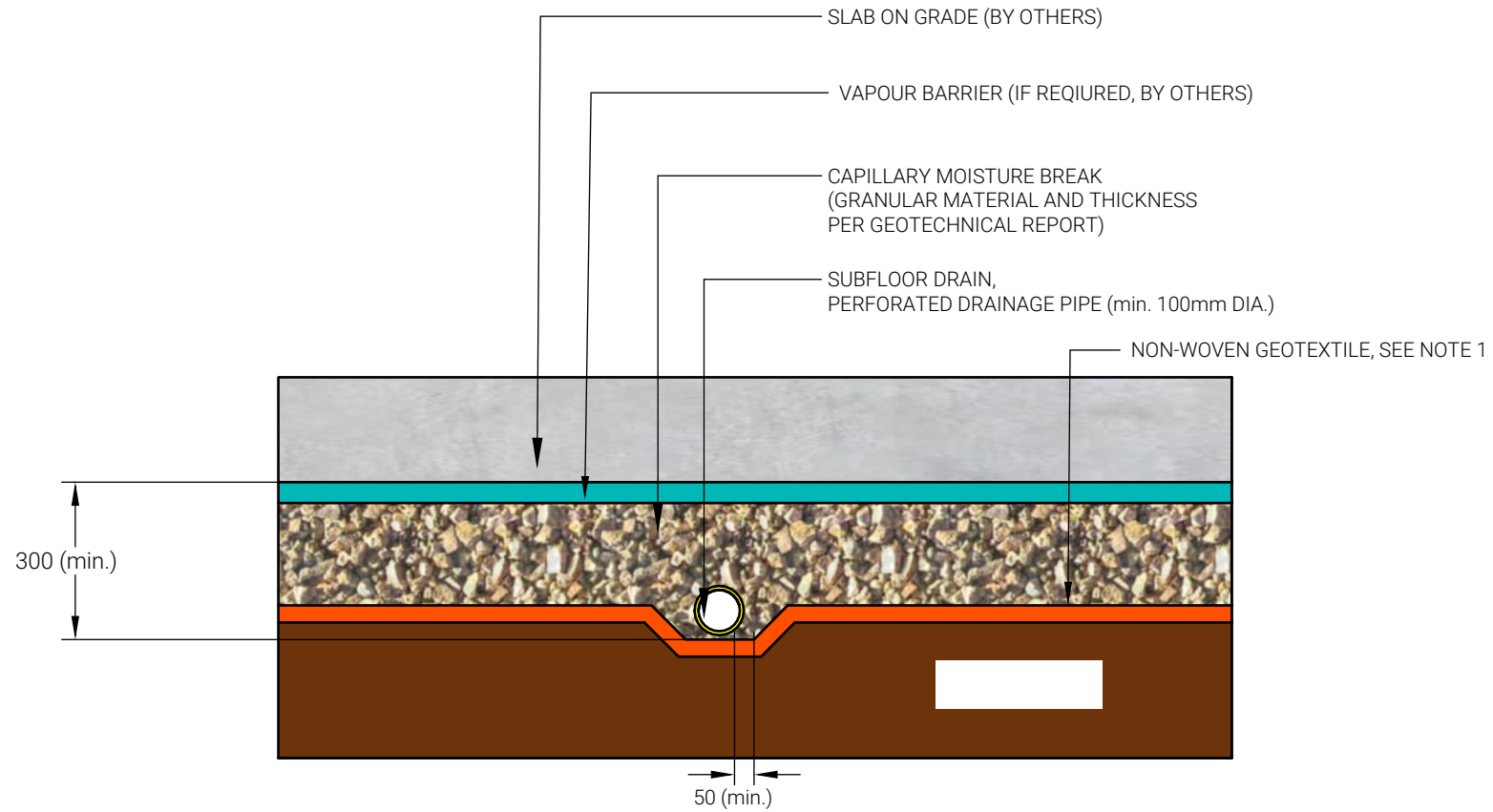
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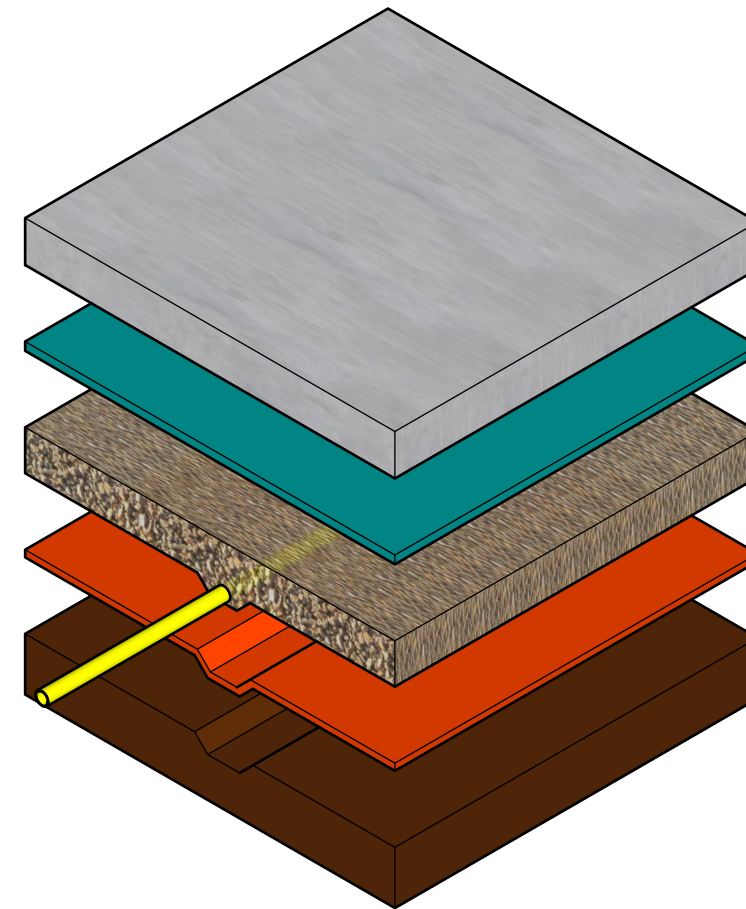
# APPENDIX D



OBJECTS ARE COLOR-CODED  
BETWEEN TWO VIEWS FOR CLARITY



**SECTIONAL VIEW**



**ISOMETRIC VIEW**

**NOTES**

1. WHEN THE SUBGRADE CONSISTS OF COHESIONLESS SOIL, IT MUST BE SEPARATED FROM THE SUBFLOOR DRAINAGE LAYER USING A NON-WOVEN GEOTEXTILE (WITH AN APPARENT OPENING SIZE OF  $< 0.250\text{mm}$  AND A TEAR RESISTANCE OF  $> 200\text{ N}$ ).
2. TYPICAL SCHEMATIC ONLY. MUST BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH GEOTECHNICAL REPORT.



## **1 GENERAL**

These specifications are suitable for use as a technical specification only, relating to the engineering aspects as discussed in Grounded's corresponding geotechnical report for the site. If this technical specification is to be used as a tender document, the geotechnical report and this technical specification must be read in conjunction with the relevant supporting tender documents, prepared by others.

This specification must be read in conjunction with Grounded's geotechnical report for the site. Wherever there is conflicting advice, Grounded's geotechnical report for the site governs.

### **1.1 Description**

Engineered Fill refers to earthworks (earth fill) designed and constructed with engineering inspection and testing to support foundations at SLS loads for a design net geotechnical reaction.

Site preparation for Engineered Fill operations must only be conducted under the full time inspection and testing of a Third Party Testing Agency (Testing Engineer), with review by the Geotechnical Engineer, in order to ensure adequate compaction and fill quality.

Poured concrete foundation walls must be provided with nominal reinforcing steel to provide stiffening of the foundation walls and to protect against excessive crack formation within the foundation walls.

The Engineered Fill to be constructed is shown on the Design Drawings prepared by the Design Civil Engineer and as described by these specifications. The work included in this section includes the following:

1. Topsoil stripping from the ground surface below all Engineered Fill areas,
2. Test pit excavating into the subgrade to a) investigate subgrade suitability for the support of Engineered Fill and b) observe and document any prior existing fill materials,
3. Proof-rolling of the subgrade below all Engineered Fill areas, to detect the presence and extent of unstable ground conditions,
4. Excavating and removing unstable/unacceptable subgrade materials, or the implementation of other approved subgrade stabilization measures (as required) prior to the placement of Engineered Fill,
5. Surveying of ground elevations prior to placing Engineered Fill,
6. Supply, placement, and compaction of approved clean earth as specified herein, with full time inspection and testing,
7. Surveying of ground elevations on completion of Engineered Fill placement,
8. Providing and maintaining survey layout of the Engineered Fill areas, and monitoring of ground elevations throughout the construction of Engineered Fill.

### **1.2 The Project Parties**

1. The term Contractor shall refer to the individual or firm who will be carrying out the earthworks related to preparation and construction of Engineered Fill.
2. The term Testing Engineer shall refer to the individual or firm who will be carrying out the full time inspection and testing of the earthworks related to preparation and construction of Engineered Fill.



3. The term Geotechnical Engineer shall refer to Grounded Engineering.
4. The term Design Civil Engineer shall refer to the individual or firm who will be carrying out the Site Grading Design (pre-grading), the determination of Design Foundation Grades for the structures on the site, and the choice of lots and site areas to receive Engineered Fill.

## **2 MATERIALS**

### **2.1 Definitions**

1. Topsoil is the layer of naturally organic soil typically found at the ground surface and commonly in the range of about 100 to 300 mm thick.
2. Earth Fill is soil material which has been placed by humans and has not been deposited by nature over a long period of time.
3. Subgrade Soil is the “in situ” (in place) native soil beneath any earth fill and/or topsoil layer(s).
4. Disturbed Soil is soil material which was originally deposited naturally but has since been disturbed or reworked in place, usually by agriculture activities. Disturbed Soil may or may not be suitable Subgrade Soil; see our Geotechnical Report.
5. Weathered Soil is soil material which is naturally deposited but weathered in place due to its exposure to the elements. Weathered Soil may or may not be suitable Subgrade Soil; see our Geotechnical Report.
6. Engineered Fill soils must consist of clean earth materials, not excessively wet, free of organics and topsoil, free of deleterious materials such as building rubble, wood, plant materials. It is placed in thin lifts of no more than 150 mm in thickness. Cohesionless soils such as sand or gravel are the easiest to place and compact.
7. All values stated in metric units shall be considered as accurate.

## **3 ENGINEERED FILL DESIGN**

### **3.1 Design Foundation Pressure**

1. Engineered Fill can be expected to experience post-construction settlement on the order of 1 percent of the depth of the Engineered Fill. The time (after initial placement) over which this settlement typically occurs depends on the composition of the Engineered Fill as follows:
  - a) sand or gravel soil; several days
  - b) silt soil; several weeks
  - c) clay or clayey soil; several months.

The placement of Engineered Fill might also result in post-construction settlement of the natural soil.

The timing of foundation construction must consider the post-construction settlement of the Engineered Fill and the foundation soil.

2. Unless otherwise stated, the Engineered Fill is to be placed over the entire lot area or site area.
3. Engineered Fill is to extend up to at least 1 m above the highest level of required foundation support. Typically, this can be within 1 m of the design final grades. Additional common fill can be placed over the Engineered Fill to provide protection against environmental factors such as wind, frost, precipitation, and the like.

4. An allowable design foundation pressure (net geotechnical reaction at SLS for 25 mm of settlement) of 150 kPa is typically recommended for the Engineered Fill, unless it consists of glaciolacustrine silt and clay in which case a lower design foundation pressure will need to be determined on a site specific basis. Foundations shall have minimum widths of 0.8 m for continuous strip footings, and minimum dimensions of 1 m for column footings.
5. At the foundation level, sufficient Engineered Fill shall be constructed to ensure that it extends at least 1.0 m laterally beyond the edge of any foundations, and that it extends outward within an area defined by a 1 to 1 line downward from the edge of any Engineered Fill.
6. Foundations placed on the Engineered Fill must be provided with nominal reinforcing steel for stiffening of basement foundation walls and for protection against excessive minor cracking. The reinforcing steel must consist of 2-15M bars continuous at the top of the foundation wall, and 2-15M bars continuous at the bottom of the foundation walls.
7. At the time of foundation construction, foundation excavations must be reviewed by the Geotechnical Engineer to confirm suitable bearing capacity of the Engineered Fill. The Geotechnical Engineer must inspect the foundation subgrade immediately after excavation, and must inspect the foundation subgrade immediately prior to placement of concrete for footings. The Geotechnical Engineer must also inspect the placement of reinforcing steel in the foundation walls. Written approval must be obtained from the Geotechnical Engineer prior to,
  - a) placement of footing concrete, and
  - b) placement of foundation wall concrete.

## **4 CONSTRUCTION**

### **4.1 Survey Layout**

1. The survey layout shall be carried out and maintained throughout the construction of Engineered Fill activities. A suitable layout stake shall be placed at the corners of the start and finish of every block or work area to receive Engineered Fill.
2. At least two temporary survey elevation benchmarks shall be provided for every work area to receive Engineered Fill, to assist in monitoring the level of the Engineered Fill as it is constructed. Benchmark positions may need to be reviewed by Grounded if consolidation settlement is expected to influence their elevations.
3. The ground elevations of the subgrade approved for receiving Engineered Fill shall be surveyed and recorded on a regular grid pattern. Engineered Fill shall not be placed on any work area without the written approval of the Testing Engineer.
4. The ground elevations of the Engineered Fill on each work area shall be surveyed and recorded on a regular grid pattern at the end of each day during the placement of Engineered Fill.
5. On completion of Engineered Fill construction, the final ground elevations shall be surveyed and recorded on a regular grid pattern.

### **4.2 Topsoil Stripping**

1. The Geotechnical Engineer must observe the stripping of topsoil from the areas proposed for Engineered Fill, from start to finish.
2. Topsoil must be stripped from the entire building site area. The Geotechnical Engineer must photograph the work areas which have been suitably stripped.

### 4.3 Test Holes Into Subgrade

1. After topsoil has been stripped, the exposed subgrade must be investigated for the presence of old buried fill or deleterious material, which may be unsuitable (as determined by the Testing Engineer or the Geotechnical Engineer) for the support of Engineered Fill.
2. Exploratory test pits must be dug using a small backhoe, on a suitable pattern, to observe an appropriate representation of the entire site area.
3. The Testing Engineer or Geotechnical Engineer must observe the digging and backfilling of the test pits; must log the test pit stratigraphy; must obtain soil samples at maximum depth intervals of 0.3m; and must photograph each dug test pit.
4. If the test pits discover any old buried fill or deleterious materials, it must be excavated and removed from the Engineering Fill area down to undisturbed, stable native soil.
5. All test pits must be properly backfilled and compacted in thin lifts (max. 150mm thickness) to at least 98 percent Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (SPMDD), at the optimum water content plus or minus 2 percent. The Testing Engineer or Geotechnical Engineer must observe the backfilling and compaction of the test pits.

### 4.4 Subgrade Proof-rolling

1. Prior to placing any Engineered Fill, the exposed subgrade must be proofrolled under the observation of the Testing Engineer.
2. If unstable subgrade conditions are encountered, the unstable subgrade must be sub-excavated. If wet site conditions exist during filling, stabilization with granular materials may be required.

### 4.5 Engineered Fill Placement

1. Engineered fill must not be placed without the approval of the Testing Engineer. Prior to placing any Engineered Fill, the topsoil must be stripped, the subgrade must be investigated for old buried fill or deleterious material, the subgrade must be proof-rolled, and the subgrade elevations must be surveyed.
2. Prior to the placement of Engineered Fill, the source or borrow area for the Engineered Fill must be evaluated for its suitability both geotechnically and environmentally. Samples of the proposed fill material must be obtained and tested by the Testing Engineer. The samples must be tested in a geotechnical laboratory for Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density. Samples must also be tested per the requirements of Ontario Regulation 406/19, prior to approval of the material for use as Engineered Fill. The results of the lab testing must be approved by the Geotechnical Engineer and the results of the environmental testing must be approved by the site Qualified Person, prior to import.
3. The Engineered Fill must be placed in maximum loose lift thicknesses of 150 mm. Each lift of Engineered Fill must be compacted with a heavy roller, to at least 98 percent Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (SPMDD), at the optimum water content plus or minus 2 percent.
4. Field density tests must be taken by the Testing Engineer, on each lift of Engineered Fill, on each lot area. Any Engineered Fill which is tested and found to not meet the specifications, shall be either removed or, reworked and retested.
5. Engineered fill must not be placed during the period of the year when cold weather occurs, i.e. when there are freezing ambient temperatures during the daytime and overnight.

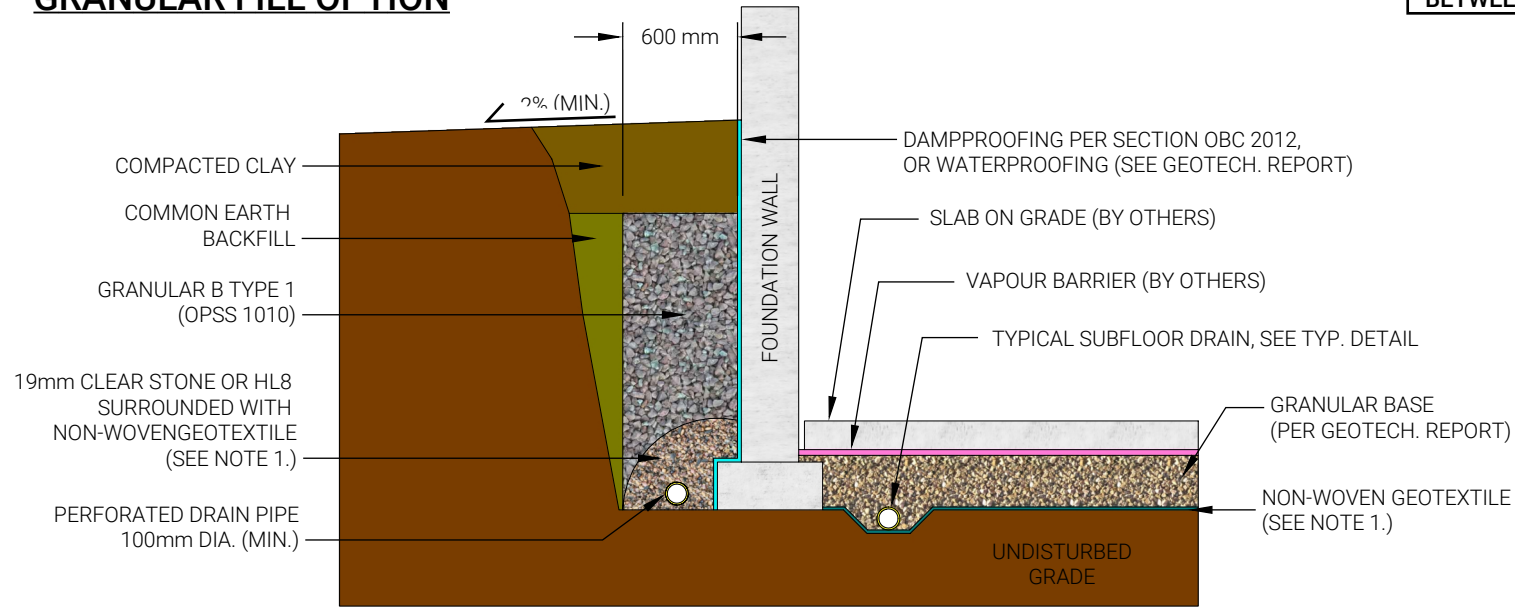
#### **4.6 Certification**

1. The Testing Engineer shall provide written summaries of the compaction and lab testing to the Geotechnical Engineer on a frequency of not less than every two weeks.
2. Upon Completion of the Engineered Fill placement the Testing Engineer will provide certification to the Geotechnical Engineer of General Compliance with this specification.
3. Upon receipt of the certification from the Testing Engineer, the Geotechnical Engineer will provide the owner with a Certificate of Engineered Fill

# APPENDIX E

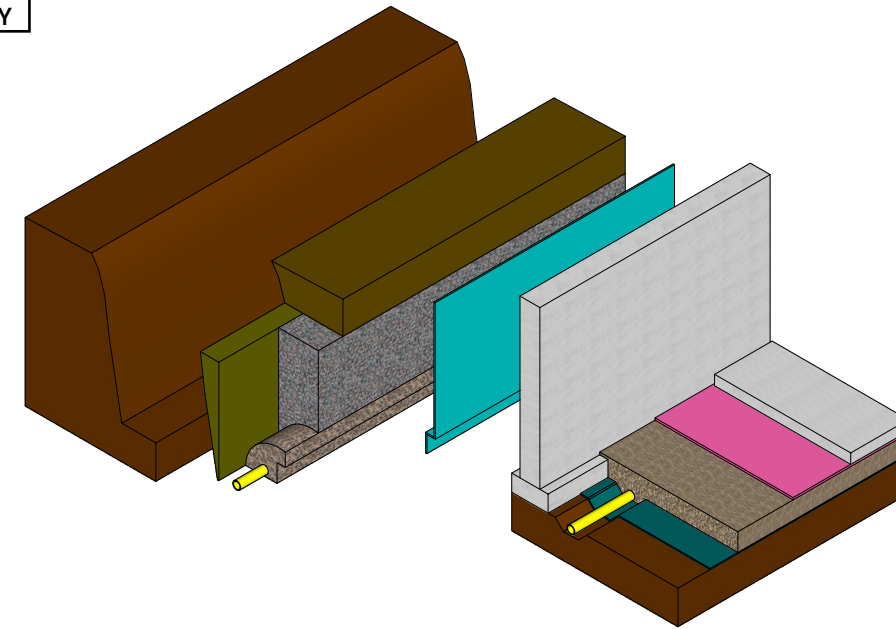


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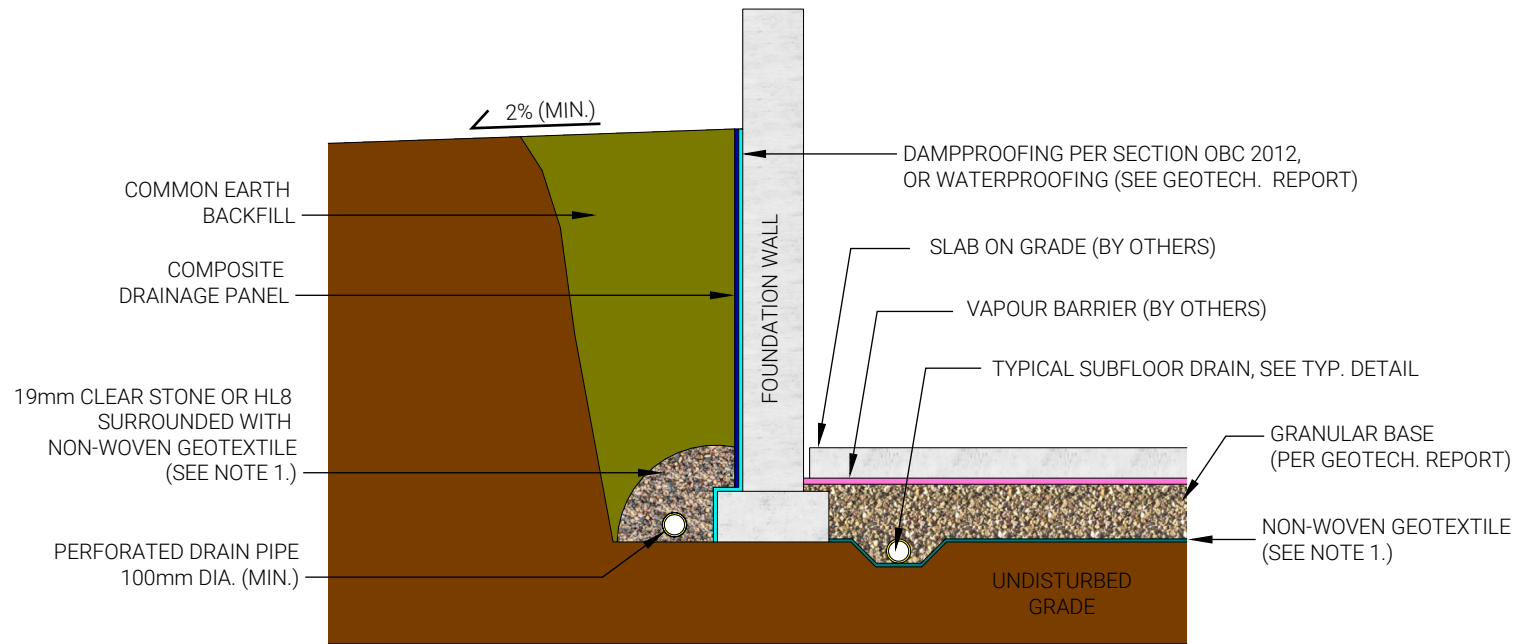
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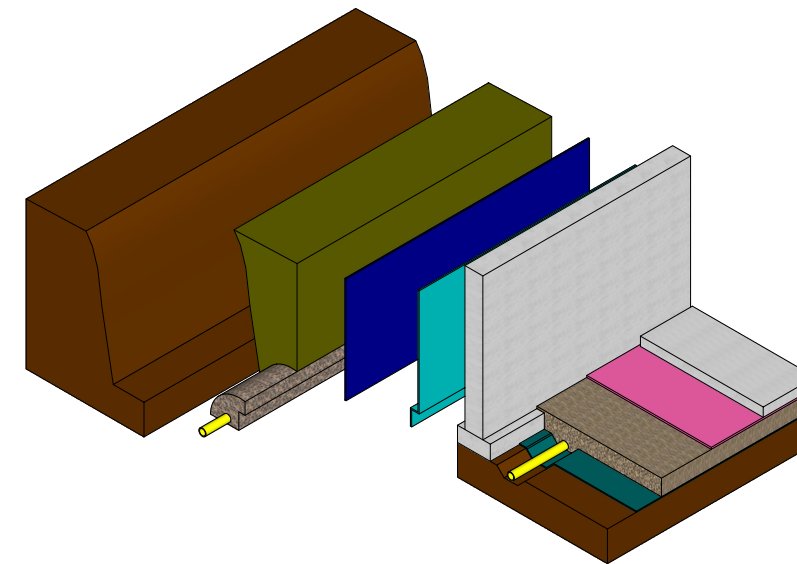


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**GEO-COMPOSITE DRAINAGE PANEL OPTION**



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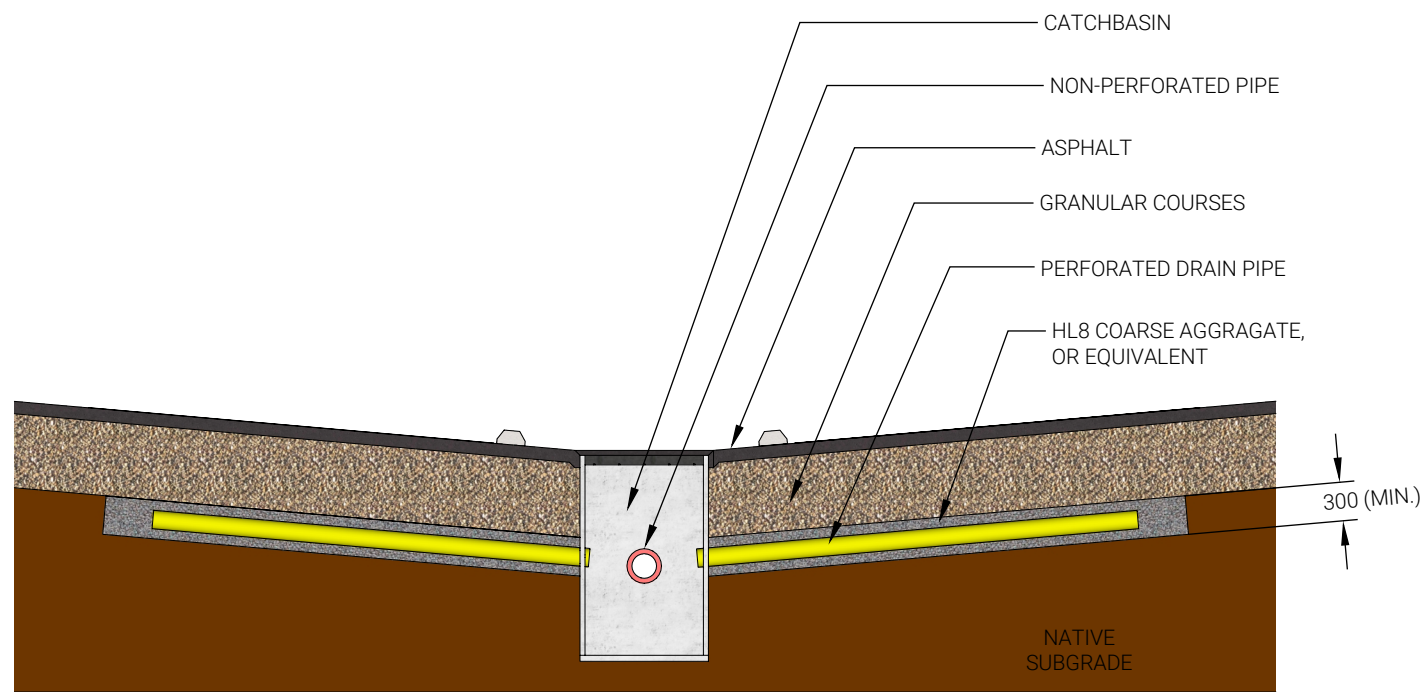
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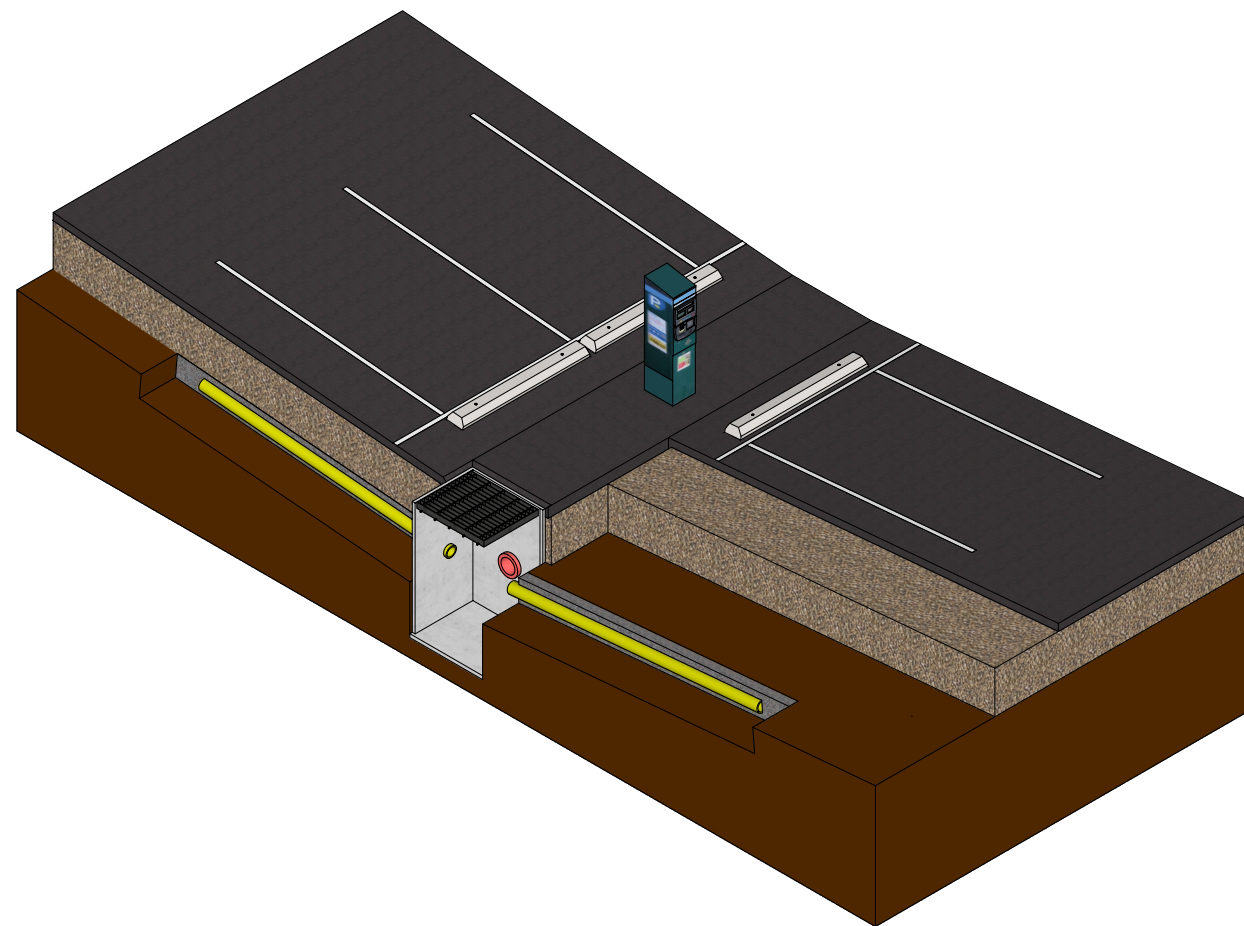
1. A NON-WOVEN GEOTEXTILE WITH AN APPARENT OPENING SIZE OF < 0.250mm AND A TEAR RESISTANCE OF > 200 N.

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