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OVERHEAD SIGNS
HIGHWAY 403 BRIDGE REHABILITATIONS
FROM HIGHWAY 6 WESTERLY TO ABERDEEN AVENUE
CITY OF HAMILTON, ONTARIO
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Golder Associates Ltd. (Golder Associates) has been retained by Morrison Hershfield Limited (MH) on behalf of the Ministry of Transportation, Ontario (MTO) to carry out foundation investigations as part of the detail design work for GWP 2172-06-00.

This report was prepared for the design of two overhead signs. A new cantilevered overhead sign will be installed on the Highway 403/Highway 6 E-E/W ramp to Main Street West (Highways 2 and 8) at Highway 403 Station 12+470 and an existing sign at Station 12+875 will be replaced. The purpose of the foundation investigation was to determine the subsurface conditions at the locations of the proposed overhead signs by drilling boreholes and carrying out in situ testing and laboratory testing on selected samples. The terms of reference for the scope of work are outlined in the MTO's Request for Proposal and Golder Associates' proposal P71-3148 dated August 21, 2008. The work was carried out in accordance with our Project Specific Supplementary Specialty Plan for Foundations Engineering Specialty dated January 28, 2008.

MH provided Golder Associates with preliminary drawings for this project in digital format.

2.0 SITE DESCRIPTION

The project limits for GWP 2172-06-00 extend from the Highway 6 (North) Interchange westerly to approximately 1 kilometre west of the Aberdeen Avenue Interchange in Hamilton, Ontario. The area of the overhead signs is shown on the Key Plan, Figure 1.

Highway 403 is co-signed with Highway 6 for much of its length within the project limits. Highway 403 within the project limits was constructed in an area with irregular topography with elevations varying from 88 to 91 metres. In the vicinity of the Longwoods Road South Underpass, Highway 403 is a divided highway with three lanes in each direction. The lands on the south side of Highway 403 are mainly industrial. North of Highway 403, usage is mixed with greenspace and institutional, residential and commercial properties. An open channel is present at the toe of the steep slope below the sign location at Station 12+875.

2.1 Site Geology

The project area is situated in the physiographic region of southern Ontario known as the Iroquois Plain¹. In the Lake Ontario lakehead region, the Iroquois sand plain exists as a narrow plain between Lake Ontario and the Niagara escarpment or locally known in Hamilton as the “mountain”. The Iroquois Plain represents the lake bottom of former Lake Iroquois.

The surficial soils are primarily composed of lacustrine and outwash sands.² The surface of the bedrock is reported to be between elevations 30 and 91 metres.³ The bedrock is reported to be red shale and mudstone with minor interbeds of silty limestone and dolomite of the Queenston Formation.⁴ The Queenston Formation is a marine deposit of relatively uniform composition. The Queenston shale is irregularly interlayered with occasional beds or pockets of olive green calcareous siltstone. A 1960 study conducted by the Department of Highways found the top 3.0

¹ L.J. Chapman and D.F. Putnam: The Physiography of Southern Ontario, Third Edition. Ontario Geological Survey, Special Volume 2, 1984.

² Karrow, P.F., 1987: Quaternary Geology of the Hamilton Area, Southern Ontario, Ontario Geological Survey Map 2509 (Revised). Scale 1:50,000.

³ Karrow, P.F., 1958: Bedrock Topography of the Hamilton Area, Southern Ontario, Ontario Geological Survey Map 2034. Scale 1:63,360.

⁴ Karrow, P.F., 1958. Bedrock Geology, Toronto-Windsor Area. 1969. Geological Survey of Canada Map 1263 A. Scale 1:250,000.

to 4.0 metres is weathered.⁵ It is highly fissile, susceptible to weathering under certain conditions and breaks easily parallel to the bedding plane.

⁵ Geocres Report No. 30M5-95 by Department of Highways, Ontario entitled “Engineering Study, Properties of Queenston Shale, Proposed Chedoke Expressway, Hamilton Area, Ontario” dated August 19, 1960.

3.0 INVESTIGATION PROCEDURES

The field investigation was conducted on September 7, 2008. Two boreholes, boreholes 101 and 102, were drilled to depths of 6.6 and 7.2 metres, respectively, at the locations shown on Drawing 1.

The boreholes were advanced using a truck mounted CME 45 power auger supplied and operated by a specialist drilling contractor. Samples of the overburden were obtained at 0.75 to 1.5 metre intervals of depth using 50 millimetre outside diameter split spoon sampling equipment in accordance with the standard penetration test (SPT) procedures.

Groundwater conditions in the boreholes were observed during drilling and these observations are provided on the corresponding Record of Borehole sheets. All of the boreholes were backfilled in accordance with current MTO procedures and Ontario Regulation 372/07.

The field work was supervised on a full-time basis by an experienced member of our engineering staff who arranged for utility locates, directed the drilling, sampling and in-situ testing operations, logged the boreholes, cared for the samples obtained and surveyed the borehole elevations. The borehole elevations are referenced to benchmarks provided by MH. It is understood that these elevations are referenced to geodetic datum.

The soil samples were identified in the field, placed in labelled containers and transported to Golder Associates' London laboratory for further examination and testing. Index and classification tests consisting of water content determinations, grain size distribution analyses and Atterberg limits testing were carried out on selected samples. The results of the field and laboratory testing are given on the Record of Borehole sheets and the figures in Appendix A.

The table below summarizes the locations, ground surface elevations and depths of the current boreholes:

| <u>BOREHOLE</u> | <u>LOCATION (m)</u> | | | <u>GROUND SURFACE ELEVATION</u> | <u>DEPTH</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| | <u>Northing</u> | <u>Easting</u> | <u>Chainage</u> | <u>(m)</u> | <u>(m)</u> |
| 101 | 4 790 865 | 271 952 | 12+470 Lt | 85.86 | 6.55 |
| 102 | 4 791 032 | 272 321 | 12+875 Lt | 84.40 | 7.16 |

4.0 SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

4.1 Site Stratigraphy

The detailed subsurface soil and groundwater conditions encountered in the boreholes together with the results of the in situ and laboratory testing carried out on selected samples, are given on the attached Record of Borehole sheets following the text of this report and in Appendix A. The stratigraphic boundaries shown on the Record of Borehole sheets are inferred from non-continuous sampling and observations of drilling resistance and represent transitions between soil types rather than exact planes of geological change. Subsurface conditions will vary between and beyond the borehole locations.

The locations of the boreholes are shown on the attached Drawing 1. A detailed description of the subsurface conditions encountered in the boreholes is provided on the Record of Borehole sheets and is summarized in the following sections.

4.1.1 Pavement Structure

A 270 millimetre thick layer of asphalt was found at the ground surface in borehole 102.

4.1.2 Fill

Layers of fill 0.4 and 5.7 metres thick were found at the ground surface in borehole 101 and beneath the asphalt in borehole 102. The upper 0.1 metres of fill in borehole 101 consisted of topsoil fill. Sand and gravel fill materials were encountered beneath the topsoil fill in borehole 101 and below the asphalt in borehole 102 from elevations 85.8 metres and 84.1 metres, respectively. The silty sand and gravel fill in borehole 102 had an N value of 29 blows per 0.3 metres and a water content of 4 per cent.

In borehole 102, the sand and gravel materials were underlain by mixed fill materials from elevation 83.0 metres. The mixed fill layer was about 4.6 metres thick and consisted of layers of silty sand and gravel, clayey silt and sandy silt. Beneath the compact silty sand and gravel fill, borehole 112 encountered clayey silt fill containing varying amounts of topsoil, cinders and wood. The clayey silt fill was very stiff with N values of 18 to 31 blows per 0.3 metres. The water content of the clayey silt fill ranged from 12 to 15 per cent. The clayey silt fill was of low plasticity with plastic and liquid limits of 18 and 29 per cent, respectively, and a plasticity index of 11 per cent. The results of a grain size analysis conducted on a sample of clayey silt fill are presented on Figure A-1 of Appendix A. The results of Atterberg limits testing are shown on Figure A-3.

The clayey silt fill in borehole 102 was underlain by sandy silt fill from elevation 80.0 metres. The sandy silt fill contained fence wire, topsoil and wood. The sandy silt fill had an N value of 75 blows per 0.3 metres and a water content of 12 per cent.

4.1.3 Clayey Silt

Boreholes 101 and 102 were terminated in layers of clayey silt after exploring them for some 6.2 and 1.2 metres, respectively. The clayey silt was encountered beneath the fill layers from elevation 85.5 metres in borehole 101 and elevation 78.5 metres in borehole 102.

The clayey silt is firm to stiff based on N values of 5 to 12 blows per 0.3 metres and in situ vane shear strengths of 43 to 57 kilopascals. The in situ shear strength was measured using a shear vane in the softer zones. Water contents of the clayey silt samples varied from 15 to 28 per cent. Based on the results of testing of three samples, the clayey silt is of low plasticity with average plastic and liquid limits of 16 and 29 per cent, respectively, and an average plasticity index of 13 per cent.

The results of grain size analyses carried out on three samples of clayey silt are presented on Figure A-2 in Appendix A. The results of the Atterberg limits testing are shown on Figure A-3.

4.2 Groundwater Conditions

Both boreholes were dry during and upon completion of drilling. Grey soils were encountered in borehole 101 only from approximately elevation 83.7 metres. Based on the change in soil colour, and the variation of water content with depth, the groundwater level has been inferred to be at or above elevation 84 metres.

5.0 MISCELLANEOUS

This investigation was carried out using equipment supplied and operated by Aardvark Drilling Inc., an Ontario Ministry of Environment licensed well contractor. The field operations were supervised by Mr. David J. Mitchell. The laboratory testing was carried out at Golder Associates' London laboratory under the direction of Mr. Chris M. Sewell. The laboratory is an accredited participant in the MTO Soil and Aggregate Proficiency Program and is certified by the Canadian Council of Independent Laboratories for testing Types C and D aggregates. This report was prepared by Ms. Dirka U. Prout, P. Eng. under the direction of the Project Manager, Mr. Philip R. Bedell, P. Eng. This report was reviewed by Mr. Fintan J. Heffernan, P. Eng., the Designated MTO Contact and Quality Control Auditor for this assignment.

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6.0 ENGINEERING RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 General

This section of the report provides our recommendations on the foundation aspects of the design of the proposed overhead signs to be constructed as part of GWP 2172-06-00. The recommendations are based on our interpretation of the factual information obtained during the investigation. It should be noted that the interpretation and recommendations are intended for use only by the design engineer. Where comments are made on construction, they are provided only in order to highlight those aspects which could affect the design of the project. Those requiring information on aspects of construction should make their own interpretation of the factual information provided as it may affect equipment selection, proposed construction methods and scheduling.

Based on the information provided, the boreholes were located at the approximate sign locations as follows:

| <u>LOCATION</u> (Highway 403 Chainage) | <u>DIRECTION</u> | <u>BOREHOLE</u> |
|---|---|-----------------|
| 12+470 | E-E/W ramp to Main Street West (Westbound) | 101 |
| 12+875 | Westbound | 102 |

6.2 Caisson Foundations for Overhead Signs

Caisson foundations for overhead sign supports should be designed in accordance with the requirements in MTO's *Sign Support Manual*. The *Sign Support Manual* includes a standard caisson foundation design (Section 4 and Standard Drawings SS118-3, SS118-4 and SS118-5) in which the caissons are extended 5 metres below the design frost depth (i.e. a total length of 6.2 metres below grade for this project), except where bedrock is encountered within this depth. The standard design is based on the following minimum soil conditions:

- **Case 1 (Cohesionless Soils):** Sand with a friction angle of 28 degrees surrounding the upper two-thirds of the portion of the caisson foundation below the frost depth, and sand with a friction angle of 30 degrees surrounding the lower third of the portion of the caisson below the design frost depth.
- **Case 2 (Cohesive Soils):** Soft clay with an undrained shear strength of 25 kilopascals (kPa) surrounding the upper two-thirds of the portion of caisson foundation below the frost depth, and "soft" clay with an undrained shear strength of 50 kPa surrounding the lower third of the portion of the caisson below the design frost depth.

Based on the review of the subsurface information, Case 2 applies for the new sign at Station 12+470 only. At this location, the subsurface soils have undrained shear strengths that exceed the input parameters used in the modeling of the standard caisson foundations and, therefore, the standard caisson foundation design is suitable for this site.

The sign location at Station 12+875 requires a site-specific design as much of the foundation length will be in fill materials. The following unfactored parameters may be used for detailed analyses of the caisson foundations:

| <u>SOIL TYPE</u> | ϕ (°) | c_u (kPa) | γ (kN/m ³) | K_p | α |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Granular Fill | 25 | - | 19 | 2.5 | - |
| Cohesive Fill | 25 | 100 | 19 | 2.5 | 0.4 |
| Clayey Silt (Borehole 101 only) | | | | | |
| - above elevation 83 metres | 28 | 100 | 20 | 2.8 | 0.5 |
| - below elevation 83 metres | 28 | 50 | 20 | 2.8 | 0.7 |
| Clayey Silt (Borehole 102 only) | | | | | |
| - below elevation 78.5 metres | 28 | 100 | 20 | 2.8 | 0.5 |

where:

| | | |
|----------|---|---------------------------------------|
| ϕ | - | angle of friction |
| c_u | - | cohesion |
| γ | - | total unit weight |
| K_p | - | coefficient of passive earth pressure |
| α | - | shaft resistance factor |

6.2.1 Vertical Loads

Based on the subsurface conditions encountered in the boreholes, the unfactored unit shaft resistance that may be used in the assessment of the vertical load carrying capacity of the caissons may be calculated using the following equation:

$$F_s = \alpha c_u d C$$

where α is a shaft resistance factor and d is the depth along the caisson, C is the circumference of the caisson and c_u is the average undrained shear strength of each layer.

The upper 1.2 metres below the ground surface should be neglected to account for frost action. While any portion of the caisson within fill materials would normally be neglected, the overhead sign foundation at Station 12+875 will be founded almost wholly within the existing fill materials, therefore, at this location, it will be necessary to utilize the fill to resist the applied loadings with the parameters for the fill materials as given in the table in Section 6.2 above.

The unfactored component of vertical load carrying capacity that may be derived from end bearing for the standard 1.0 to 1.2 metre diameter caissons in the cohesive soils may be calculated using the following equation:

$$Q_b = 9c_u A_b$$

where c_u is the undrained shear strength of the cohesive founding layer and A_b is the cross-sectional area of the caisson.

A resistance factor of 0.4 should be applied to obtain the factored axial resistance at ultimate limit states (ULS). The axial resistance at serviceability limit states (SLS) is greater than at ULS and ULS values will govern design.

6.2.2 Lateral Loads

The lateral loads exerted by the caissons will be primarily resisted by cohesive soils. The lateral resistance of the cohesive soils along the shaft is represented by a constant distribution with depth and given by $9c_u B$, where c_u is the undrained shear strength in kilopascals and B is the shaft diameter in metres. The unfactored lateral force resisted by a shaft of length L (in metres) is given by:

$$P = 9 c_u B (L - 1.5B)$$

The above equation is based on the assumption that the lateral geotechnical resistance acts over a width equal to 3 times the shaft diameter. Also, large deformations (lateral movement) would be required to fully mobilize lateral shaft resistance. A resistance factor of 0.5 should be applied to obtain the factored lateral resistance at ULS.

The passive resistance in front of the caisson within the upper 1.2 metres below the ground surface should be neglected in the design of the foundation to account for frost action.

Where an undrained shear strength, c_u , is provided, the undrained capacity of the caisson should be checked to determine whether the drained or undrained case will govern. In this case, the lateral resistance for the length of the caisson within cohesive soil should be calculated assuming an unfactored passive lateral pressure distribution varying linearly from $2 c_u$ at the surface to $9 c_u$ at a depth of three pile diameters and beyond acting over the actual width of the caisson.

For non-cohesive fills, the unfactored lateral passive resistance may be estimated by calculating the passive earth pressure over an equivalent wall area having a depth below the ground surface equivalent to six times the pile diameter and a width of three times the pile diameter. The equivalent unfactored passive lateral earth pressure may be calculated using the following equation:

$$P_p = K_p \gamma d$$

| | | | |
|-------|----------|---|--|
| where | K_p | - | passive earth pressure coefficient; |
| | γ | - | bulk unit weight (kN/m ³); |
| | d | - | depth below the ground surface (m) |

A resistance factor of 0.5 should be applied to this calculated lateral resistance in order to obtain the factored lateral geotechnical resistance.

In general, any portion of the caisson within fill and/or organic materials would normally be neglected; however, as indicated above, the overhead sign at Station 12+875 will be primarily founded within the existing fill materials, therefore, at this location, it will be necessary to utilize the fill to resist the applied loadings utilizing the parameters for the fill given in the table in Section 6.2, above.

6.2.3 Construction Considerations

A temporary liner will be required to support the sides of the excavation and permit cleaning and inspection of the base. Careful cleaning of the base of the caisson should be carried out prior to placement of concrete to remove all loosened or disturbed materials. Surface water run off should be directed away from the excavation. The caissons should be constructed and inspected in accordance with SP903S01.

7.0 MISCELLANEOUS

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

The abbreviations commonly employed on Records of Boreholes, on figures and in the text of the report are as follows:

I. SAMPLE TYPE

| | |
|----|---------------------|
| AS | Auger sample |
| BS | Block sample |
| CS | Chunk sample |
| SS | Split-spoon |
| DS | Denison type sample |
| FS | Foil sample |
| RC | Rock core |
| SC | Soil core |
| ST | Slotted tube |
| TO | Thin-walled, open |
| TP | Thin-walled, piston |
| WS | Wash sample |

III. SOIL DESCRIPTION

(a) Cohesionless Soils

| Density Index (Relative Density) | N Blows/300 mm or Blows/ft. |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Very loose | 0 to 4 |
| Loose | 4 to 10 |
| Compact | 10 to 30 |
| Dense | 30 to 50 |
| Very dense | over 50 |

II. PENETRATION RESISTANCE

Standard Penetration Resistance (SPT), N:

The number of blows by a 63.5 kg. (140 lb.) hammer dropped 760 mm (30 in.) required to drive a 50 mm (2 in.) split spoon sampler for a distance of 300 mm (12 in.)

Consistency

| | <u>kPa</u> | <u>psf</u> |
|------------|------------|----------------|
| Very soft | 0 to 12 | 0 to 250 |
| Soft | 12 to 25 | 250 to 500 |
| Firm | 25 to 50 | 500 to 1,000 |
| Stiff | 50 to 100 | 1,000 to 2,000 |
| Very stiff | 100 to 200 | 2,000 to 4,000 |
| Hard | over 200 | over 4,000 |

(b) Cohesive Soils

Dynamic Cone Penetration Resistance; N_d :

The number of blows by a 63.5 kg. (140 lb.) hammer dropped 760 mm (30 in.) to drive uncased a 50 mm (2 in.) diameter, 60° cone attached to "A" size drill rods for a distance of 300 mm (12 in.).

PH: Sampler advanced by hydraulic pressure

PM: Sampler advanced by manual pressure

WH: Sampler advanced by static weight of hammer

WR: Sampler advanced by weight of sampler and rod

Piezo-Cone Penetration Test (CPT)

A electronic cone penetrometer with a 60° conical tip and a project end area of 10 cm² pushed through ground at a penetration rate of 2 cm/s. Measurements of tip resistance (Q_t), porewater pressure (PWP) and friction along a sleeve are recorded electronically at 25 mm penetration intervals.

IV. SOIL TESTS

| | |
|----------|---|
| w | water content |
| w_p | plastic limit |
| w_l | liquid limit |
| C | consolidation (oedometer) test |
| CHEM | chemical analysis (refer to text) |
| CID | consolidated isotropically drained triaxial test ¹ |
| CIU | consolidated isotropically undrained triaxial test with porewater pressure measurement ¹ |
| D_R | relative density (specific gravity, G_s) |
| DS | direct shear test |
| M | sieve analysis for particle size |
| MH | combined sieve and hydrometer (H) analysis |
| MPC | Modified Proctor compaction test |
| SPC | Standard Proctor compaction test |
| OC | organic content test |
| SO_4 | concentration of water-soluble sulphates |
| UC | unconfined compression test |
| UU | unconsolidated undrained triaxial test |
| V | field vane (LV-laboratory vane test) |
| γ | unit weight |

Note: 1 Tests which are anisotropically consolidated prior to shear are shown as CAD, CAU.

LIST OF SYMBOLS

Unless otherwise stated, the symbols employed in the report are as follows:

I. General

| | |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| π | 3.1416 |
| $\ln x$, | natural logarithm of x |
| \log_{10} | x or log x, logarithm of x to base 10 |
| g | acceleration due to gravity |
| t | time |
| F | factor of safety |
| V | volume |
| W | weight |

II. STRESS AND STRAIN

| | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| γ | shear strain |
| Δ | change in, e.g. in stress: $\Delta \sigma$ |
| ϵ | linear strain |
| ϵ_v | volumetric strain |
| η | coefficient of viscosity |
| ν | poisson's ratio |
| σ | total stress |
| σ' | effective stress ($\sigma' = \sigma - u$) |
| σ'_{vo} | initial effective overburden stress |
| $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$ | principal stress (major, intermediate, minor) |
| σ_{oct} | mean stress or octahedral stress $= (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)/3$ |
| τ | shear stress |
| u | porewater pressure |
| E | modulus of deformation |
| G | shear modulus of deformation |
| K | bulk modulus of compressibility |

III. SOIL PROPERTIES

(a) Index Properties

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| $\rho(\gamma)$ | bulk density (bulk unit weight*) |
| $\rho_d(\gamma_d)$ | dry density (dry unit weight) |
| $\rho_w(\gamma_w)$ | density (unit weight) of water |
| $\rho_s(\gamma_s)$ | density (unit weight) of solid particles |
| γ' | unit weight of submerged soil ($\gamma' = \gamma - \gamma_w$) |
| D_R | relative density (specific gravity) of solid particles ($D_R = \rho_s / \rho_w$) (formerly G_s) |
| e | void ratio |
| n | porosity |
| S | degree of saturation |

(a) Index Properties (continued)

| | |
|-----------|--|
| w | water content |
| w_l | liquid limit |
| w_p | plastic limit |
| I_p | plasticity index $= (w_l - w_p)$ |
| w_s | shrinkage limit |
| I_L | liquidity index $= (w - w_p) / I_p$ |
| I_C | consistency index $= (w_l - w) / I_p$ |
| e_{max} | void ratio in loosest state |
| e_{min} | void ratio in densest state |
| I_D | density index $= (e_{max} - e) / (e_{max} - e_{min})$ (formerly relative density) |

(b) Hydraulic Properties

| | |
|---|--|
| h | hydraulic head or potential |
| q | rate of flow |
| v | velocity of flow |
| i | hydraulic gradient |
| k | hydraulic conductivity (coefficient of permeability) |
| j | seepage force per unit volume |

(c) Consolidation (one-dimensional)

| | |
|-------------|---|
| C_c | compression index (normally consolidated range) |
| C_r | recompression index (over-consolidated range) |
| C_s | swelling index |
| C_a | coefficient of secondary consolidation |
| m_v | coefficient of volume change |
| c_v | coefficient of consolidation |
| T_v | time factor (vertical direction) |
| U | degree of consolidation |
| σ'_p | pre-consolidation pressure |
| OCR | over-consolidation ratio $= \sigma'_p / \sigma'_{vo}$ |

(d) Shear Strength

| | |
|------------------|--|
| τ_p, τ_r | peak and residual shear strength |
| ϕ' | effective angle of internal friction |
| δ | angle of interface friction |
| μ | coefficient of friction $= \tan \delta$ |
| c' | effective cohesion |
| c_u, s_u | undrained shear strength ($\phi = 0$ analysis) |
| p | mean total stress $(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)/2$ |
| p' | mean effective stress $(\sigma'_1 + \sigma'_3)/2$ |
| q | $(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)/2$ or $(\sigma'_1 + \sigma'_3)/2$ |
| q_u | compressive strength $(\sigma_1 + \sigma_3)$ |
| S_t | sensitivity |

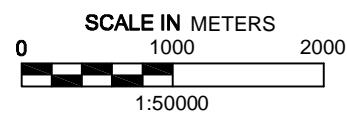
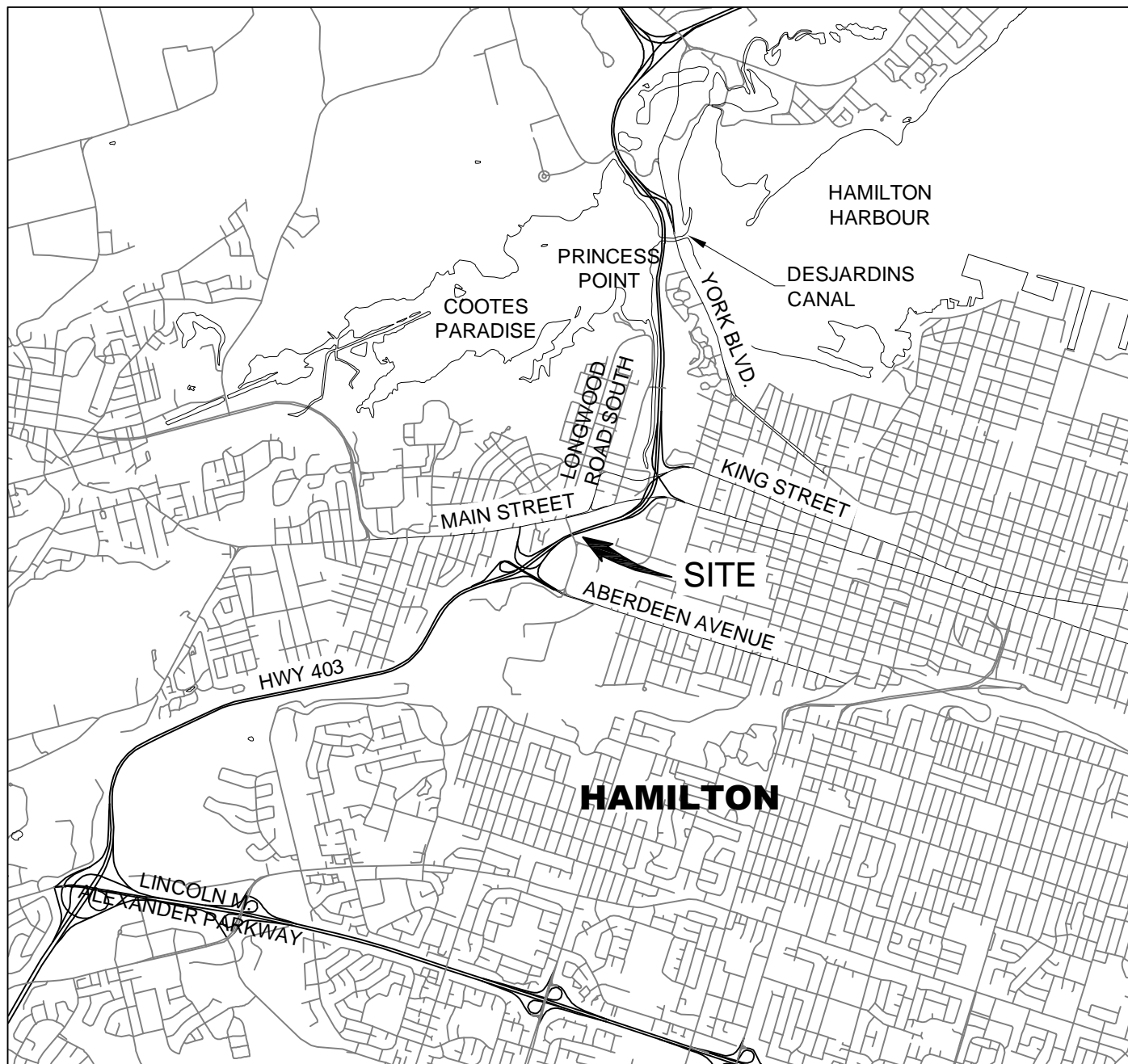
- Notes:**
- 1 $\tau = c' + \sigma' \tan \phi'$
 - 2 shear strength = (compressive strength)/2
 - * density symbol is ρ . Unit weight symbol is γ where $\gamma = \rho g$ (i.e. mass density x acceleration due to gravity)


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| PROJECT <u>08-1132-013-0</u> | | RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 101 | | 1 OF 1 | | METRIC | |
| G.W.P. <u>2172-06-00</u> | | LOCATION <u>N 4790865.4 ;E 271951.9</u> | | ORIGINATED BY <u>DJM</u> | | | |
| DIST <u> </u> HWY <u>403</u> | | BOREHOLE TYPE <u>POWER AUGER/SOLID STEM AUGERS</u> | | COMPILED BY <u>LMK</u> | | | |
| DATUM <u>GEODETIC</u> | | DATE <u>September 7, 2008</u> | | CHECKED BY <u> </u> | | | |

| SOIL PROFILE | | | SAMPLES | | | GROUND WATER CONDITIONS | ELEVATION SCALE | DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT | | PLASTIC LIMIT NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT LIQUID LIMIT | | | UNIT WEIGHT γ kN/m³ | REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL |
|---------------|---|------------|---------|------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------|---|-------------------|---|---|----------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| ELEV DEPTH | DESCRIPTION | STRAT PLOT | NUMBER | TYPE | "N" VALUES | | | SHEAR STRENGTH kPa | | W _P | W | W _L | | |
| | | | | | | | | ○ UNCONFINED + FIELD VANE | WATER CONTENT (%) | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | ● QUICK TRIAXIAL × LAB VANE | | | | | | | |
| 85.86 | GROUND SURFACE | | | | | | | 20 40 60 80 100 | | | | | | |
| 0.09 | FILL, topsoil, silty sand and gravel | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 85.46 | FILL, sand and gravel, crushed | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.40 | Grey | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | CLAYEY SILT, trace sand | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Stiff | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Brown to grey at about elev. 83.7m | | 1 | SS | 12 | | 85 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 2 | SS | 12 | | 84 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 3 | SS | 11 | | | | | | | | | |
| 82.96 | | | | | | | 83 | | | | | | | |
| 2.90 | CLAYEY SILT, trace sand | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Firm to stiff | | 4 | SS | 5 | | | | | | | | | |
| | Grey | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 82 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 5 | SS | 6 | | 81 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | 80 | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 79.31 | | | 6 | SS | 7 | | | | | | | | | |
| 6.55 | END OF BOREHOLE | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Borehole dry during drilling on September 7, 2008. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| PROJECT <u>08-1132-013-0</u> | | RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 102 | | 1 OF 1 | | METRIC | |
| G.W.P. <u>2172-06-00</u> | | LOCATION <u>N 4791031.6 ; E 272320.5</u> | | ORIGINATED BY <u>DJM</u> | | | |
| DIST <u> </u> HWY <u>403</u> | | BOREHOLE TYPE <u>POWER AUGER/SOLID STEM AUGERS</u> | | COMPILED BY <u>LMK</u> | | | |
| DATUM <u>GEODETIC</u> | | DATE <u>September 7, 2008</u> | | CHECKED BY <u> </u> | | | |

| SOIL PROFILE | | | SAMPLES | | | GROUND WATER CONDITIONS | ELEVATION SCALE | DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT | | | | | PLASTIC LIMIT NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT LIQUID LIMIT | | | UNIT WEIGHT γ kN/m³ | REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL | |
|---------------|--|------------|---------|------|------------|----------------------------|-----------------|---|----|----|----|-----|---|---|----------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| ELEV DEPTH | DESCRIPTION | STRAT PLOT | NUMBER | TYPE | "N" VALUES | | | SHEAR STRENGTH kPa | | | | | W _P | W | W _L | | | |
| | | | | | | | | 20 | 40 | 60 | 80 | 100 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 84.40 | PAVEMENT SURFACE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.00 | ASPHALT | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.27 | FILL, sand and gravel, crushed Brown | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 0.53 | FILL, silty sand and gravel, crushed Compact Brown | | 1 | SS | 29 | | | | | | | | | ○ | | | | |
| 83.03 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.37 | FILL, clayey silt, trace sand, gravel, topsoil, cinders Very stiff Brown | | 2 | SS | 18 | | | | | | | | | ○ | | | | |
| 82.27 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.13 | FILL, clayey silt, some sand, trace gravel, topsoil, cinder, wood Very stiff Brown and black | | 3 | SS | 31 | | | | | | | | | ○ | ┌───┐ | | | |
| | | | 4 | SS | 22 | | | | | | | | | ○ | | | | |
| | | | 5 | SS | 27 | | | | | | | | | ○ | | | | |
| 79.98 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | ○ | | | | |
| 4.42 | FILL, sandy silt, trace gravel, fence wire, topsoil, wood Very dense Brown and black | | 6 | SS | 75 | | | | | | | | | ○ | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 78.46 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5.94 | CLAYEY SILT, some sand, roots Stiff Brown | | 7 | SS | 10 | | | | | | | | | | ┌─○─┐ | | | |
| | | | 8 | SS | 11 | | | | | | | | | ○ | | | | |
| 77.24 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7.16 | END OF BOREHOLE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Borehole dry during drilling on September 7, 2008 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |



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| | | FILE No. | 0811320130-F02001 |
| CADD CHECK | LMK | Sept. 30/08 | SCALE AS SHOWN |
| | | | REV. 0 |
| FIGURE 1 | | | |

METRIC
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MILLIMETRES UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN.
STATIONS IN KILOMETRES + METRES.

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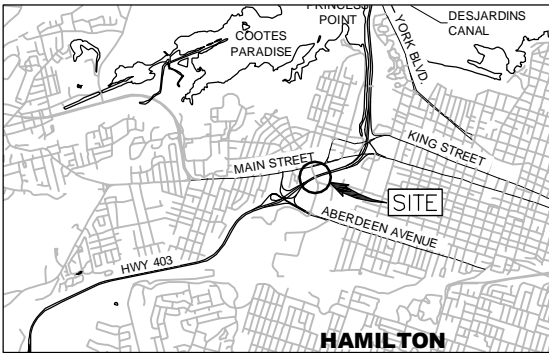
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HIGHWAY 403 BRIDGE REHABILITATIONS
BOREHOLE LOCATIONS



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KEY PLAN



LEGEND

Borehole – Current Investigation

| No. | ELEVATION | CO-ORDINATES (MTM ZONE 10) | |
|-----|-----------|----------------------------|-----------|
| | | NORTHING | EASTING |
| 101 | 85.86 | 4 790 865.4 | 271 951.9 |
| 102 | 84.40 | 4 791 031.6 | 272 320.5 |

NOTES

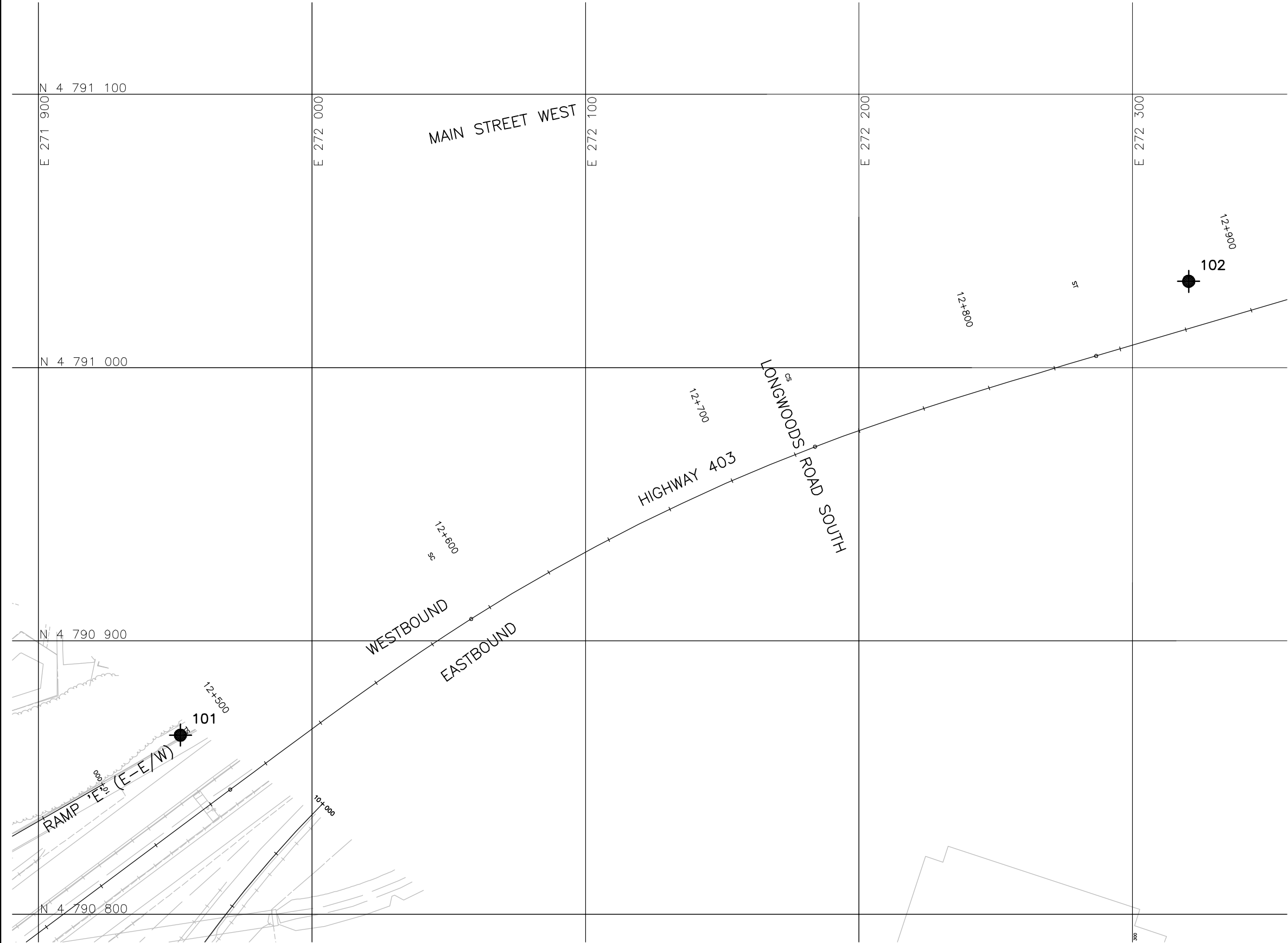
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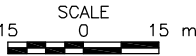
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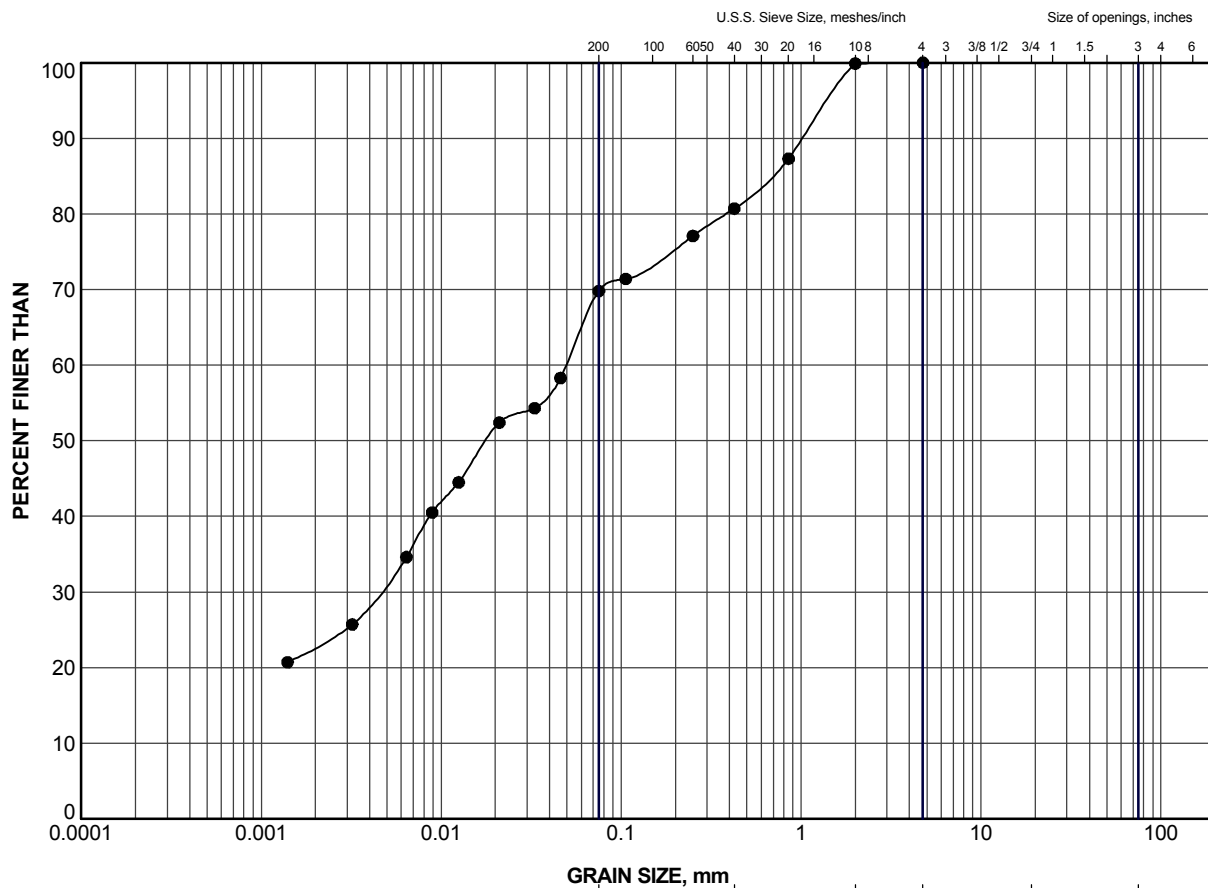
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| | | | |
| NO. | DATE | BY | REVISION |
| Geocres No. 30M5-267 | | | |
| HWY. | 403 | PROJECT NO. | 08-1132-013-0 |
| SUBM'D. | DUP | CHKD. | DATE: SEP 30/08 |
| DRAWN: | LMK | CHKD. | APPD. |
| | | DIST. | SITE: |
| | | DWG. | 1 |



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APPENDIX A
LABORATORY TEST DATA



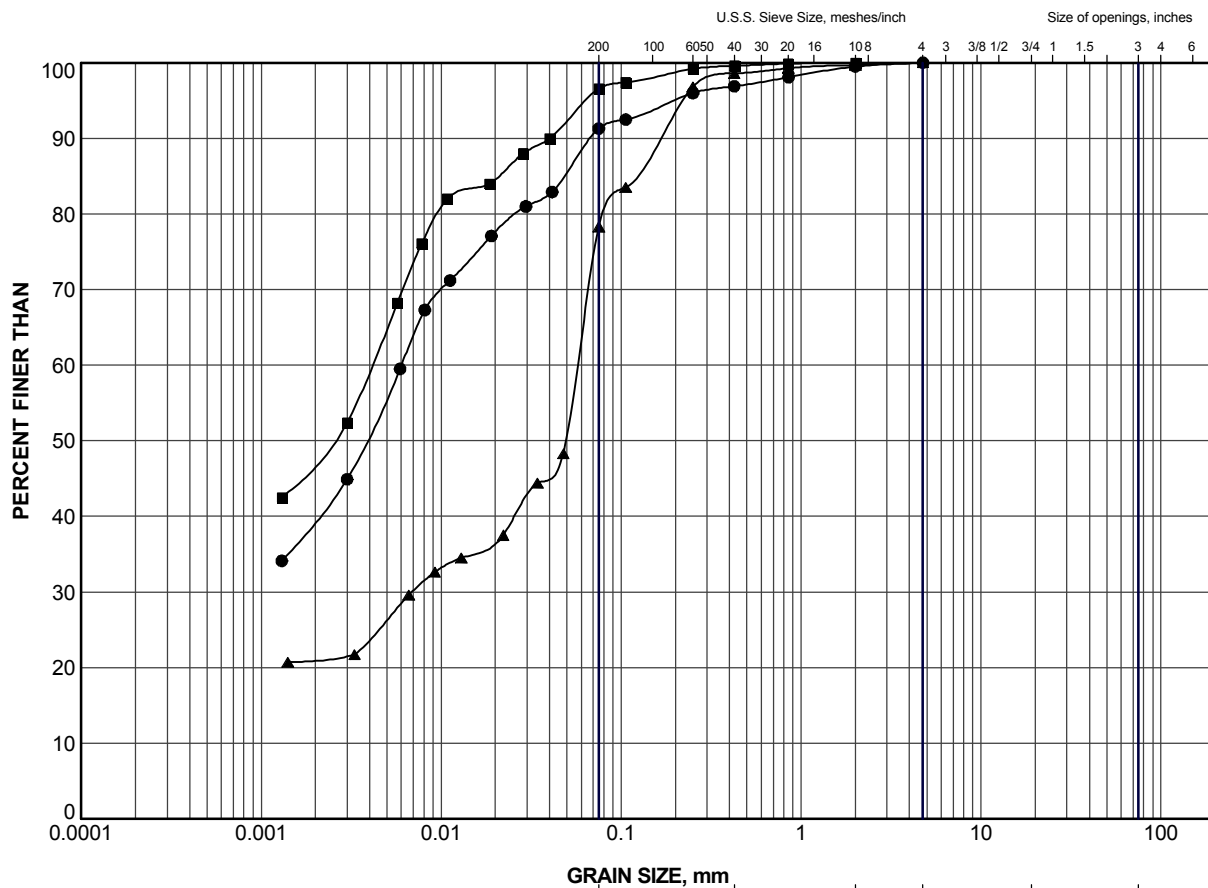
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|---------------|-----------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|----------------|
| CLAY AND SILT | fine | medium | coarse | fine | coarse | Cobble Size |
| | SAND SIZE | | | GRAVEL SIZE | | |

LEGEND

| SYMBOL | BOREHOLE | SAMPLE | ELEV (m) |
|--------|----------|--------|----------|
| ● | 102 | 3 | 81.9 |

| | | | | | | | |
|---|--|---------------|--|--|--|-------------------|--|
| PROJECT | | | | OVERHEAD SIGNS HIGHWAY 403 BRIDGE REHABILITATIONS GWP 2172-06-00 | | | |
| TITLE | | | | GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION FILL, Clayey Silt | | | |
| PROJECT No. | | 08-1132-013-0 | | FILE No. | | 0811320130-R020A1 | |
| DRAWN | | LMK | | SCALE | | N/A | |
| CHECK | | Sep 30/08 | | REV. | | | |
|  Golder Associates LONDON, ONTARIO | | | | FIGURE A-1 | | | |

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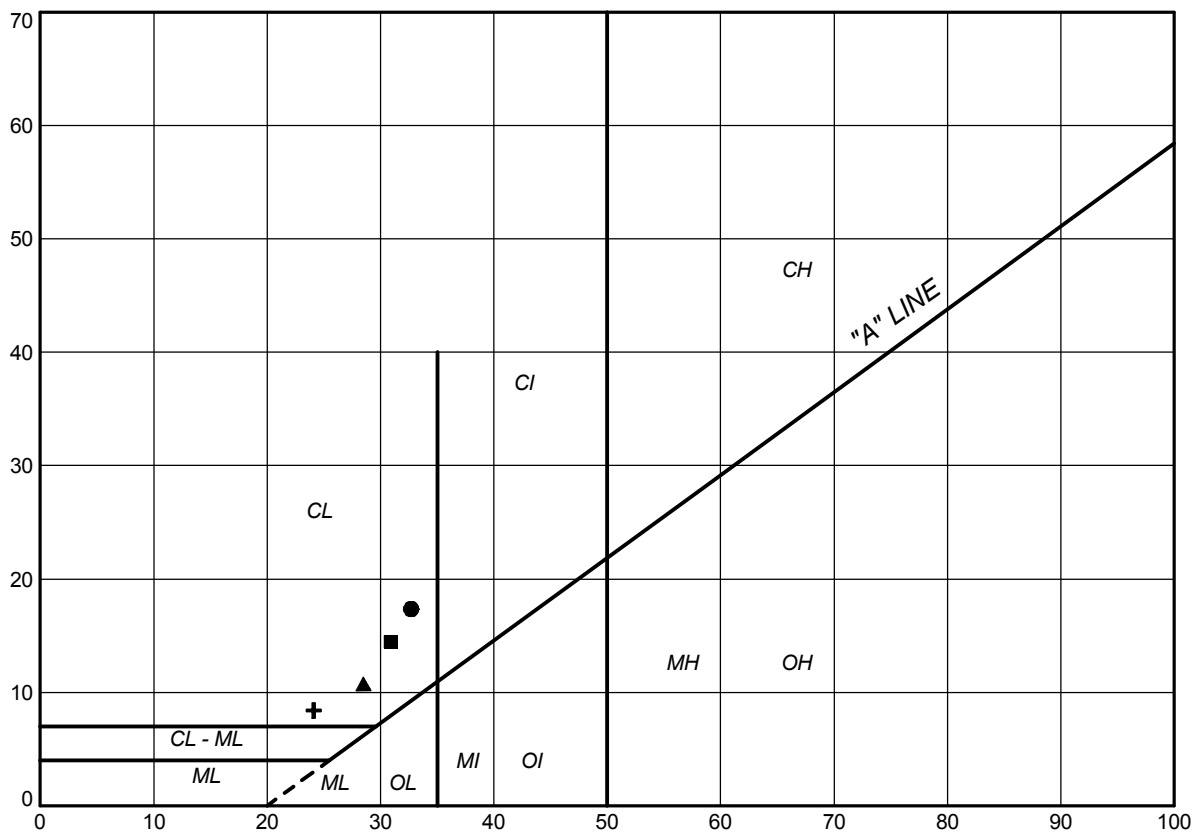
| GRAVEL SIZE, mm | | | | | | Cobble Size |
|-----------------|-----------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|----------------|
| CLAY AND SILT | fine | medium | coarse | fine | coarse | |
| | SAND SIZE | | | GRAVEL SIZE | | |

LEGEND

| SYMBOL | BOREHOLE | SAMPLE | ELEV (m) |
|--------|----------|--------|----------|
| ● | 101 | 2 | 84.1 |
| ■ | 101 | 5 | 81.1 |
| ▲ | 102 | 7 | 78.1 |

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|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|----------------------------|--|
| PROJECT | | OVERHEAD SIGNS HIGHWAY 403 BRIDGE REHABILITATIONS GWP 2172-06-00 | | | |
| TITLE | | GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION CLAYEY SILT | | | |
| PROJECT No. | | 08-1132-013-0 | | FILE No. 0811320130-R020A2 | |
| DRAWN | | LMK | | Sep 30/08 | |
| CHECK | | | | | |
| Golder Associates LONDON, ONTARIO | | SCALE | | N/A | |
| | | REV. | | | |
| | | FIGURE A-2 | | | |

PLASTICITY INDEX (Percent)




LIQUID LIMIT (Percent)

SOIL TYPE
C = Clay
M = Silt
O = Organic

PLASTICITY
L = Low
I = Intermediate
H = High

LEGEND

| SYMBOL | BOREHOLE | SAMPLE | LL(%) | PL(%) | PI |
|-------------------|----------|--------|-------|-------|------|
| FILL, Clayey Silt | | | | | |
| ▲ | 102 | 3 | 28.5 | 17.8 | 10.8 |
| CLAYEY SILT | | | | | |
| ● | 101 | 2 | 32.7 | 15.4 | 17.4 |
| ■ | 101 | 5 | 30.9 | 16.5 | 14.5 |
| + | 102 | 7 | 24.1 | 15.7 | 8.4 |

| | | | |
|---|---------------|--|-------------------|
| PROJECT | | OVERHEAD SIGNS HIGHWAY 403 BRIDGE REHABILITATIONS GWP 2172-06-00 | |
| TITLE | | PLASTICITY CHART | |
| PROJECT No. | 08-1132-013-0 | FILE No. | 0811320130-R020A3 |
| DRAWN | LMK | SCALE | N/A |
| CHECK | | REV. | |
|  Golder Associates LONDON, ONTARIO | | FIGURE A-3 | |