



**FOUNDATION TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM**

**For**

**OXFORD ROAD 55 UNDERPASS**

**HIGHWAY 403**

**MTO WEST REGION 59 STRUCTURE REHABILITATIONS**

**SITE 23-291, CONTRACT 8**

**GWP 3094-12-00**

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

The Foundation Engineering Services for the present project involve the detail foundation investigation and design for the rehabilitation of 59 structures in MTO West Region along Highways 4, 6, 401, 402 and 403. Ten (10) Group Work Projects (GWP) are contemplated to be completed between 2014 and 2020.

This technical memorandum summarizes the factual results of geotechnical data based on the review and compilation of existing subsurface information from relevant reports in the MTO GEOCRETS Library for the Oxford Road 55 Underpass Highway 403. The Foundation Engineering recommendations from the initial foundation reports are summarized with reference to the “Canadian Highway Bridge Design Code” (CHBDC) and follow in general the “Guidelines for Professional Engineers providing Geotechnical Engineering Services”.

From the Minutes of Meeting Report, dated June 3, 2016, it is understood that semi-integral conversion may not be the preferred rehabilitation strategy and that Preservation Management Strategy (PMS) consisting of expansion joint replacement, patch, waterproof and pave, patch repairs and concrete sealer applied to the concrete barrier walls is to be undertaken at this underpass structure location.

The purpose of the technical memorandum is to summarize the subsurface and groundwater conditions and foundation recommendations based on available reports at the structure location for the design project team’s reference.

The elevations in this report are expressed in meters, unless otherwise noted.



## **2. PROJECT SITE BACKGROUND AND GEOLOGY**

The Oxford Road 55 Underpass Highway 403 is located about 27.5 km west of City of Brantford west limits, and 3.2 km southeast of the crossing of Highways 2 and 53 in the Geographic Township of Brantford, Brant County, Ontario. A key plan is shown in Figure 1.

The existing underpass is a two-span post-tensioned concrete voided slab structure that carries two through lanes of Oxford Road 55 over Highway 403. The topography of the immediate vicinity is relatively flat. Agricultural lands at the north and south sides were observed in the vicinity of the structure.

Physiographically, the site of the underpass structure is located in the region referred to as the "Mount Elgin Ridges", which consists of a series of ridges and vales. The ridges composed mainly pale brown calcareous clay or silty clay deposit, and it is common to find alluvium of gravel, sand or silt in the vales. The ridges are well drained, while poor drainage prevails in the hollows. The bedrock at the site location consists of grey to greenish grey shales and shaly dolomites containing gypsum lenses, which belongs to the Salina Formation of the Upper Silurian Epoch. The bedrock surface is approximately at depth of 13.9 (45.6 ft.) to 44.8 m (147.0 ft.), elevation 243.8 (800.0 ft.) to 274.3 (900.0 ft.) (Cowan, 1975. Geological Report 119).

## **3. SOURCE OF INFORMATION**

The following reports and drawings, appended in Appendix A, were available for review and information for the underpass structure, subsoil information and original foundation recommendations.

1. Foundation Investigation Report for The Overhead Structure of Hwy. #53 and Proposed Hwy. #403, District #4, Hamilton, W.O. 72-11044, W.P. 164-60-00, Cont. 83-10, Foundations Office, Design Services Branch, Central Bldg., Downsview, Department of Transportation and Communications, dated June 8, 1972, GEOCREs No. 40P2-28. (Reference 1)



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#### **4. SITE RECONNAISSANCE**

As part of the current foundation engineering assessment study, a site reconnaissance of the Oxford Road 55 Underpass Highway 403 structure was carried out on August 28, 2015.

The site photographs present the conditions of the Oxford Road 55 Underpass structure including visible portions of the abutments, wingwalls and pier columns, and embankment slope assessment based on visible areas and apparent areas of soil erosion.

The site inspection revealed that the vicinity of the underpass structure abutment locations was covered by vegetation. Weep holes were observed in the abutment walls, which appeared to be open and currently functional to drain the water from behind the walls. Grasses were observed



growing at the toe of abutment walls (Photographs 1 and 4). Vertical cracks were observed on the abutment walls. Both embankment slopes adjacent to the abutments were observed to be vegetated and no evidence of slope erosion was noted (Photographs 2, 3, 5 and 6). Cracks were observed on the wingwalls of the east and west abutments. Light spalling of concrete was observed at the joint of east abutment wall and southeast wingwall (Photograph 3), and salt staining was observed at the vertical and horizontal cracks on the southwest wingwall (Photograph 4). The concrete pier columns at the time of site reconnaissance were observed with minor surficial cracks with no spalling of concrete or exposure of rebar (Photograph 7).

## **5. PREVIOUS FOUNDATION INVESTIGATION AND SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS**

In accordance with the original foundation investigation report prepared by the Department of Transportation and Communications, dated June 8, 1972 (Reference 1), a three-span twin-overpass structures at the crossing of Highway 403 and Oxford Road 55 (Highway 53) was proposed. The subsurface conditions presented in Reference 1 were based on the field investigation carried out on March 29 and 30, and April 4 to 12, 1972, which included a total of eight sampled boreholes 1 to 8. Dynamic cone penetration tests (DCPT) were carried out adjacent to boreholes 5 and 6.

The sampled boreholes were advanced to 13.0 (42.7 ft.) to 16.8 (55.0 ft.) m, elevation 271.5 (890.7 ft.) to 275.1 (902.6 ft.). The two DCPTs were advanced to approximate termination depths of 3.0 (9.8 ft.) and 3.8 (12.5 ft.) m, elevation 285.2 (935.7 ft.) and 284.5 (933.3 ft.). However, a memorandum dated May 1, 1981 (Reference 2) indicated that the original proposal had been changed to a single three-span underpass structure at the same crossing area, and a revised drawing and foundation investigation report were prepared for the contract purposes. Based on Reference 2A, a revised borehole locations and soil strata drawing, dated March 30, 1981 and revised Records of Borehole Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6 from the original geotechnical investigation were prepared. Currently, a single two-span structure is crossing over the Highway 403 at the site.

The general subsurface conditions presented in this section are based on the revised Records of Borehole Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6 (Reference 2A), which were advanced to 13.0 to 16.2 m, elevation 272.1 to 275.2.



The general layout of the single two-span underpass structure is shown in Reference 4.

The boreholes were drilled by employing continuous flight auger machines and equipped with 83 mm I.D. hollow stem augers.

The dimensions of the spoon sampler and the energy used in driving it conform to the requirements of the Standard Penetration Test.

The samples obtained were visually examined in the field after recovery and again in the laboratory upon arrival by using some simple routine tests. Laboratory tests, including moisture content determinations, Atterberg limits and grain size analyses, were conducted on selected samples to determine the physical properties of the soil specimens from the various layers.

## 5.1 General

Generally, based on the revised Records of Borehole Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6 (Reference 2A), firm to hard silty clay overlaid compact to very dense silt to sandy silt, which in turn overlaid very stiff to hard silty clay (glacial till).

### 5.1.1 Silty Clay

A 4.9 to 7.6 m thick firm to hard silty clay stratum was encountered in all boreholes surficially, which extended to 4.9 to 7.6 m, elevation 281.0 to 283.4. N values recorded ranged from 5 to over 100.

Grain size distribution results of three selected samples determined the samples included 0 to 8% gravel, 13 to 21% sand, 51 to 57% silt and 20 to 26% clay sized particles. The Atterberg liquid limits ranged from 23 to 32 and the corresponding plastic limits ranged from 15 to 19. The plasticity index values ranged from 8 to 14. Moisture content determinations ranged from 12 to 24%.



### 5.1.2 Silt to Sandy Silt

A 3.1 to 6.7 m thick silt to sandy silt layer was encountered in all boreholes at 4.9 to 7.6 m, elevation 281.0 to 283.4, which extended to 9.1 to 11.6 m, elevation 276.7 to 279.1. N values recorded within this layer ranged generally between 11 and 59. Low N values of 5 and 1 were recorded in boreholes 4 and 5, respectively. The general compactness of the layer was compact to very dense.

Based on Reference 1, since the silt to sandy silt deposit was under the groundwater level, the low N values were disturbed due to the unbalanced hydrostatic heads, which caused boiling in the borings. Reference 1 indicated that the very low N values were caused by the loosening effect of the upward hydrostatic pressure in the boreholes and should be disregarded.

Grain size distribution results of two selected silt to sandy silt samples determined the samples included 0 and 1% gravel, 3 and 14% sand, 89 and 79% silt and 8 and 6% clay sized particles, respectively. Moisture content determinations ranged from 7 to 30%.

### 5.1.3 Silty Clay (Glacial Till)

A 1.8 to 7.1 m thick very stiff to hard silty clay (glacial till) deposit was encountered in all boreholes at 9.1 to 11.6 m, elevation 276.7 to 279.1, which extended to the termination depths 13.0 to 16.2 m, elevation 272.1 to 275.1. N values recorded ranged from 24 to more than 100.

Grain size distribution result of a selected sample determined the sample included 5% gravel, 37% sand, 47% silt and 11% clay sized particles. The Atterberg liquid limits were 14 and 16 and the corresponding plastic limits were 12. The plasticity index values were 2 and 4. Moisture content determinations ranged from 7 to 19%.

### 5.1.4 Groundwater

Groundwater was observed in boreholes 3, 4 and 5. The boreholes were left open for a few days to establish the groundwater level following completion of drilling. The groundwater was first observed at 2.0 to 2.3 m, elevation 286.0 to 286.6, and had further risen in the open boreholes.



The stabilized groundwater levels in the boreholes were established at 0.3 m, elevation 287.9 to 288.3, within a few days after drilling completion.

Based on Reference 1, it was assumed the noted groundwater level was near the yearly high water table of the area.

## **6. FOUNDATION**

### **6.1 Previous Foundation Recommendations**

The foundation recommendations presented in Reference 1 were provided for a three-span twin-overpass structures to carry the proposed Highway 403 over Oxford Road 55 (Highway 53). A memorandum dated May 1, 1981 (Reference 2) indicated that the original proposal was changed to a single three-span underpass structure at the same crossing area.

The previous foundation recommendations presented in the following sections are based on the memorandum (Reference 2). The recommendations were provided for a single three-span underpass structure at the junction of Highway 403 and Oxford Road 55 (Highway 53). At the site location, firm to hard silty clay overlaid compact to very dense silt to sandy silt, which in turn overlaid very stiff to hard silty clay (glacial till), based on Reference 2A.

It should be noted that the current structure is a single two-span underpass structure.

#### **6.1.1 Structure Foundation**

The memorandum (Reference 2) recommended that spread foundations to support the proposed structure including abutments, pier and retaining walls may be placed at or below elevation 286.0. A design load of 450 kPa was recommended, and the anticipated settlement of the footings under the design load was about 30 mm.

As an alternative, it was also recommended the piers and abutments be supported on end-bearing steel 'H' piles driven into the compact to hard glacial till stratum. The memorandum



indicated that HP 310 x 110 steel 'H' piles with reinforced tips could be utilized. The maximum permissible load recommended was 1100 kN. The minimum depth levels that the piles were to be driven based on Reference 2 were approximately elevation 277.0 at the west abutment and adjacent retaining walls, elevation 273.0 at the piers, and elevation 274.0 at the east abutment and adjacent retaining walls. The piles were to be driven according to M.T.C. Standards SS 103-11 or SS 103-10. It was recommended not to apply less than 50,000 Joules per blow of driving energy.

The additional pile data presented in Reference 3 included pile data, pile design data and pile construction data, which were added to and presented in the Footing and Pier Details Drawing (Reference 5).

For pile data, it was recommended that HP 310 x 110 steel 'H' piles be used for abutments and piers, and HP 310 x 79 steel 'H' piles be used at the northeast and southwest retaining walls. The additional information (Reference 3) indicated that the pile length shown on the drawing was the theoretical length below cut-off, and the driving shoes on all piles should be in accordance with Standard DD 3301.

The pile design data presented in Reference 3 was summarized as below:

<b>PILE TYPE</b>	<b>CAPACITY AT S.L.S. TYPE II</b>	<b>FACTORED CAPACITY AT U.L.S</b>
HP 310 x 110 Steel 'H' Pile	900 kN	1600 kN
HP 310 x 79 Steel 'H' Pile	650 kN	1150 kN



For pile construction data presented in Reference 3, it was recommended that the piles be driven in accordance with Standard SS 103-10 or SS 103-11 using an ultimate capacity of 2700 kN per pile for HP 310 x 110 piles and 1950 kN per pile for HP 310 x 79 piles, and the piles must be driven below elevation 277.0 for the west abutment and the southwest retaining wall, elevation 273.0 for the piers, and elevation 274.0 for the east abutment and the northeast retaining wall.

Further, it was recommended in Reference 3 that the earth pressure should be calculated in accordance with Subsection 6.6.1.2.2 of "Ontario Highway Bridge Design Code" (OHBDC).

#### 6.1.2 Approach Embankments

The memorandum (Reference 2) indicated that up to 7.5 m high fills were required to establish the proposed profile grades of Oxford Road 55 (Highway 53) (elevation 296.5). No stability problems were expected for the approach fills provided the approaches were constructed with 2 horizontal to 1 vertical forward and side slopes. It estimated that the cohesive portion of the subsoil would settle in the range of 25 to 30 mm due to the construction of approach fills and that the settlement would take place over a long term period.

It was recommended that the well compacted acceptable material were to be used for the fill, and no material that had grain sizes larger than 75 mm was to be placed at the locations where piles had to be driven.

#### 6.1.3 Other Considerations

The memorandum (Reference 2) recommended a minimum 1.2 m cover for the pile caps for frost protection.



The following values were recommended to estimate the earth pressures on the abutment walls.

Unit weight of Granular Backfill ( $\text{kN/m}^3$ ):	21.2
Coefficient of Active Earth Pressure ( $K_a$ ):	0.35
Coefficient of Earth Pressure at Rest ( $K_o$ ):	0.5

The memorandum recommended that a suitable drainage system should be provided to relieve the build-up of excess hydrostatic pressure behind the abutment walls.

#### 6.1.4 Drawings

Based on the General Arrangement (GA) Drawing (Reference 4), the proposed structure adopted was a single two-span underpass structure to carry Oxford Road 55 (Highway 53) over Highway 403. A post-tensioned concrete slab structure was to be constructed. In Reference 4, the profile of Highway 403 was designed at elevation 288.360 (Sta. 16+713 of Highway 403) with a 0.850% gradient increase to Highway 401 direction, and a 0.349% gradient increase to City of Brantford direction.

The average original ground level measured at the centreline of Oxford Road 55 (Highway 53) was at approximate elevation 289.0 based on GA Drawing (Reference 4). The profile of Oxford Road (Highway 53) was designed to be raised approximately 6.5 to 7.0 m, at the west and east abutment locations, respectively. The maximum top of the pavement elevation was set at Working Point (WP) #2 (elevation 296.084) with a 3.496% gradient decrease to WP #1 (elevation 293.814) towards Highway 401 and a 2.000% gradient decrease to WP #3 (elevation 295.931) towards Brantford.

In addition, based on the General Arrangement Drawing (Reference 4), the compacted fill was to be placed underneath the retaining wall footing at the west side of the structure prior to pile driving, and the maximum particle size of the fill was to be 75 mm.

Based on the Footing and Pier Details Drawing (Reference 5), the top of the 900 mm thick pile caps were to be placed at elevation 288.20 at the west and east abutments, and the top of the 1500 mm



thick pile caps for the centre piers were to be placed at elevation 288.00, and the top of the 750 mm thick pile caps for the retaining walls were to be placed at elevation 291.30.

The following table summarizes the pile data based on the Footing and Pier Details Drawing (Reference 5). The pile lengths shown in the following table were the theoretical lengths below cut-off.

LOCATION	BATTER	NO.	LENGTH (mm)	PILE CUT-OFF ELEVATION (m)
West Abutment (HP 310 x 110 Piles)	1:3	45	11,250	287.60
	1:12	12	10,750	
Southwest Retaining Wall (HP 310 x 79 Piles)	1:3	5	14,750	290.85
	1:12	6	14,000	
Pier (HP 310 x 110 Piles)	1:5	32	14,250	286.80
	1:10	16	14,000	
East Abutment (HP 310 x 110 Piles)	1:3	45	14,500	287.60
	1:12	12	13,750	
Northeast Retaining Wall (HP 310 x 79 Piles)	1:3	5	18,000	290.85
	1:12	6	17,000	

The additional pile information, including pile data, pile design data and pile construction data from Reference 3 was incorporated and indicated in the Notes of Footing and Pier Details Drawing (Reference 5).

Based on the Abutment Layout Drawing (Reference 6), 75 mm diameter wall drains (or weep holes) were placed at 3000 mm centre to centre spacing with non-metallic material behind each abutment wall and a 219 mm outside diameter steel sleeve pipes for 150 mm diameter subdrain pipe through wingwalls were placed. The wall drains in the abutment walls were observed during the site visit on August 28, 2015; however the 150 mm diameter drainage pipes in the wingwalls were not observed as they were buried below ground level based on the GA Drawing (Reference 4).



## 6.2 Assessment of Foundation Parameters

Based on the previous investigation and subsurface conditions encountered, the following table summarizes the foundation design parameters that were recommended in the previously referenced reports and drawings and the updated geotechnical reaction at SLS and factored geotechnical resistance at ULS are provided.

FOUNDATION DESIGN PARAMETERS					
FOUNDATION TYPE (LOCATION)	PILE TIP ELEVATION <sup>1</sup>	PREVIOUS LIMIT STATE DESIGN VALUES <sup>2</sup>		LIMIT STATE DESIGN VALUES UPDATED TO CURRENT INDUSTRY PRACTICE <sup>3</sup>	
		SLS TYPE II BEARING CAPACITY	ULS FACTORED CAPACITY	SLS BEARING REACTION/LOAD	ULS FACTORED GEOTECHNICAL RESISTANCE/LOAD
West abutment (HP 310 x 110 Piles)	Below 277.0	900 (kN)	1600 (kN)	900 (kN)	1600 (kN)
Southwest Retaining Walls (HP 310 x 79 Piles)	Below 277.0	650 (kN)	1150 (kN)	650 (kN)	1150 (kN)
Piers (HP 310 x 110 Piles)	Below 273.0	900 (kN)	1600 (kN)	900 (kN)	1600 (kN)
East abutment (HP 310 x 110 Piles)	Below 274.0	900 (kN)	1600 (kN)	900 (kN)	1600 (kN)
Northeast Retaining Walls (HP 310 x 79 Piles)	Below 274.0	650 (kN)	1150 (kN)	650 (kN)	1150 (kN)

- Notes:**
1. Pile tip elevations provided were based on Reference 3.
  2. Limit State Design values from References 3 and 5.
  3. Limit State Design values based on CHBDC (2014 Edition) and CFEM.
  4. Provided that the piles were driven to an adequate depth into the hard glacial till (with N values equal to or more than 100 blows), it should be sufficient to develop the previously recommended design capacity. No verification of the driven depths of the piles could be made based on the available data.
  5. No field verification data was available for review.

The Peak Ground Acceleration (PGA) for the site is 0.075 (National Building Code of Canada, 2015). The soil classification for seismic design should be in accordance with Clause 4.4.3.2 of the CHBDC (2014).



The foundation frost penetration depth at the site is 1.2 m according to OPSD 3090.101.

## 7. **DISCUSSION**

It is understood that semi-integral conversion may not be the preferred rehabilitation strategy and that Preservation Management Strategy (PMS) consisting of expansion joint replacement, patch, waterproof and pave, patch repairs and concrete sealer applied to the concrete barrier walls is to be undertaken at this underpass structure location. From a geotechnical point of view, at the present time, foundation work for underpass structure is not expected.

However, if any major rehabilitation is undertaken for the proposed interchange at this location, it is recommended that the foundation capacity at the abutment locations be verified prior to any major construction work. Further, the Structural Engineer should verify the pile type and configuration used for the underpass structure.

A temporary support system may be required for the rehabilitation of the underpass structure and the construction for temporary support system should conform to OPSS 404 and 539. The contractor is responsible for the selection, detailed design and performance of the roadway protection scheme. The contractor should monitor the movement of the roadway protection system.

The embankment slopes to both abutments are visually stable without signs of erosion at the time of site reconnaissance.

Furthermore, it is suggested that the wall drains or weep holes in the abutment walls should be maintained and cleaned at a regular basis to prevent any clogging of the holes. Regular maintenance of the weep holes will keep the water flowing from behind the abutment walls and will mitigate hydrostatic pressure build up behind the abutment walls.



## 8. CLOSURE

This Technical Memorandum was originally prepared by Mr. G. Zhao, P.Eng. This report was updated by Mr. N. Rahman, P.Eng., Project Engineer and was reviewed by Mr. B. R. Gray, M.Eng, P.Eng., Principal Consultant. Mr. R. Ng, MBA, PhD, P.Eng., MTO Designated Principal Contact conducted an independent review of the report.

We trust this memo is sufficient for your immediate needs. Please, do not hesitate to contact us if you have any inquiries and/or comments.

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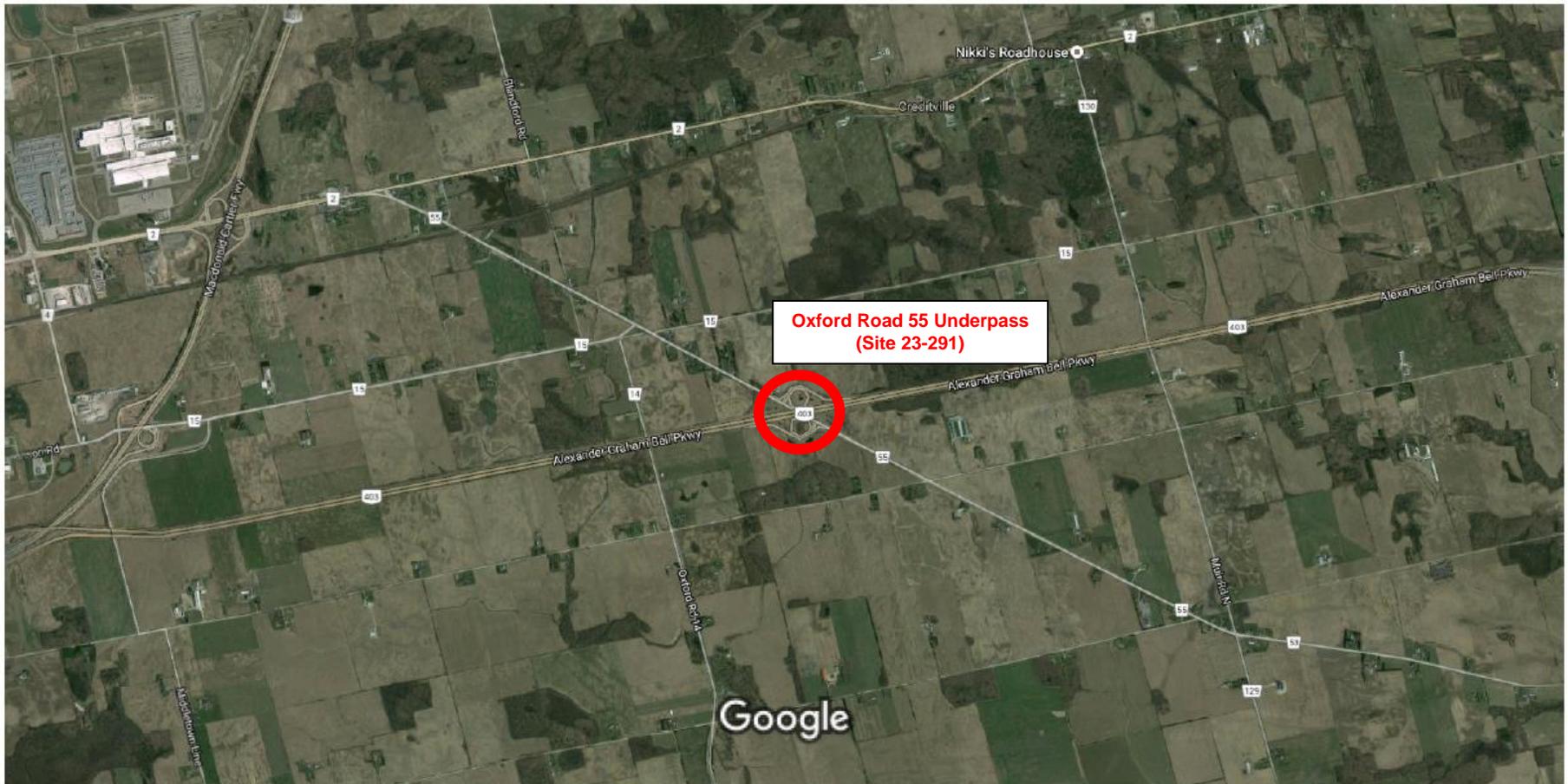


## TABLE 1

### LIST OF STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS REFERENCED IN REPORT

<b>DOCUMENT</b>	<b>TITLE</b>
OPSS 404	Construction Specification for Support Systems
OPSS 539	Construction Specification for Temporary Protection Systems
OPSD 3090.101	Foundation Frost Depth for Southern Ontario

**Figure 1 – Key Plan**



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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

## MEMORANDUM

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FOUNDATION INVESTIGATION REPORT  
For  
The Overhead Structure of Hwy. #53 and  
Proposed Hwy. #403, District #4, Hamilton  
W.O. 72-11044 -- W.P. 164-60-00

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Attached we are forwarding to you our detailed foundation investigation report on the subsoil conditions existing at the above-mentioned site.

We believe that the factual data and recommendations contained therein will prove adequate for your design requirements. Should additional information be required, please do not hesitate to contact our Office.



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# FOUNDATION INVESTIGATION REPORT

For

The Overhead Structure of Hwy. #53 and  
Proposed Hwy. #403 District #4 Hamilton  
W.O. 72-11044 W.P. 164-60-00

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## 1. INTRODUCTION:

The Foundations Office was requested by Mr. S. Jants, Bridge Planning Technician, Southwestern Region, to carry out a foundation investigation at the site of the proposed crossing of Hwy. #53 and Hwy. #403, some 17.1 miles west of Brantford west limits. The request was dated March 1, 1972. The field and subsequent laboratory investigations were carried out under the supervision of this Office. Boreholes were located in the field and ground elevations at borehole locations were related to geodetic benchmarks by personnel of the Engineering Surveys Office, Southwestern Region.

Presented in this report are the results of the investigations, together with recommendations concerning foundations.

## 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE AND GEOLOGY:

The proposed bridge site is located along existing Hwy. #53, some 2 miles south-east of the crossing of Hwys. #2 and 53. The immediate vicinity is relatively flat; the land is under cultivation, occupied by crops and pastures. Hwy. #53 has concrete pavement of 20 ft. width, the grade of the road at the proposed crossing is 1-2 feet higher than the general ground surface.

Geologically, the area belongs to the physiographic region known as the "Mount Elgin Ridges", consisting of a succession of ridges and vales. The ridges are morains of pale brown calcareous clay or silty clay, while in the vales it is common to find alluvium of gravel, sand or silt. The ridges are well drained, while poor drainage prevails in the hollows.

3. FIELD AND LABORATORY INVESTIGATIONS:

Some eight sampled boreholes and adjacent to B.H.'s 5 and 6, two dynamic cone penetration tests were carried out, during the course of the field work. Borings were placed at the locations of the proposed footings as shown on attached Drawing #72-11044A. The estimated stratigraphical sections through the locations of the abutments and the piers are also shown on the drawing. Samples were taken by means of split spoon samplers, which were driven to the soils according to the method called Standard Penetration Test. Penetration resistances (N= blows/ft.) together with the results of laboratory tests are recorded on the attached borelogs.

Upon recovery and again in the laboratory all the soil samples were examined and classified by using some simple routine tests.

Representative samples were further tested in the laboratory in order to determine natural moisture contents, Atterberg limits and grain-size characteristics of the various layers.

4. SUBSOIL CONDITIONS:

4.1) General:

Subsoil at the site from ground level downward was found to comprise of clayey silts, silts to sandy silts and sandy silts with clay and gravel (Glacial Till). Some minor variations of the stratigraphy were noted in the individual boreholes. A brief description of the deposits is as follows:

4.2) Clayey Silt with Some Sand and Traces of Gravel:

The uppermost deposit within a depth of 14-23 feet was identified to be clayey silt with some sand and traces of gravel, extending from ground level to elevation 922 feet-932 feet. The consistency of the surficial 5-6 feet of soils is firm to stiff, with penetration "N" values of 5 blows/ft. to 15 blows/ft.. Beneath this elevation the consistency increases rapidly; "N" values generally ranging from 20 blows/ft. to over 100 blows/ft.. The range of plastic limits was recorded to be from 15% to 19%, and liquid limits from 23% to 32%. The natural moisture contents lie at or below the plastic limits.

4.3) Silt to Sandy Silt Traces of Clay:

Underlying the clayey silts a 10-27 feet thick layer of silt to sandy silt was recorded, extending down to elevation 896 feet - 914 feet. This basically granular type material contains traces of clay particles, amounting some 5-8% of the total weight. The range of the constituent sand grains was measured to be 3% - 50% and those of silts 44% - 89%. Since this deposit is located totally under the groundwater level, some boiling in the borings was evident on account of the unbalanced hydrostatic heads. Due to this condition the obtained penetration "N" values were rather erratic, ranging from 1 blow/ft. to 89 blows/ft.. The very small values may safely be disregarded, because these are the results of the loosening effect of the upward water pressure in the boreholes. The natural moisture contents of the samples vary between 16% and 21%, occasionally reaching 30% by dry weight.

4.4) Sandy Silts with some Clay and Gravel (Glacial Till):

The silts were underlain by glacial tills, extending to the bottom of the borings, the deepest of which was 55 feet below ground level, terminating at elevation 890 feet. The glacial deposit was classified to be sandy silt with some clay and gravel. Due to the presence of 11-16% of clay, the material is essentially cohesive. Grain-size analyses performed on samples taken in this deposit yielded 5-10% gravel, 31-37% sand, 43-47% silt and 11-16% clay-size particles. The average plastic limit moisture content was found to be 12%, the liquid limit 15%, with 8-10% natural moisture within the samples tested. The over consolidated nature of the glacial till was further emphasised by the hard consistency, the majority of penetration "N" values being over 100 blows/ft..

4.5) Groundwater Conditions:

Very high water levels were encountered in every borehole as shown on the borelog sheets. Groundwater was usually first observed around elevation 938 - 940 feet, some 6 - 8 feet below ground surface. Waterlevels, however, have further risen in the open boreholes, and stabilized at some 1-2 feet below ground level, within a few days. It is assumed that the noted water level was near the yearly high water table of this area.

5. DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

5.1) General:

It is proposed to build a twin-overpass structure at the crossing of future Hwy. #403, Line D and Hwy. #53 in the Township of East Oxford. The bridge is planned to have three spans, the end spans being 80 feet long with a 113.5 feet long central span. It is postulated that perched abutments will be constructed. The grade of proposed Hwy. #403, at the crossing will be roughly at elevation 569 feet, some 20 - 21 feet above the existing grade of Hwy. #53.

The foundation investigation revealed a soil stratigraphy, consisting of a surficial stratum of clayey silts with firm to hard consistency, followed by silts to sandy silts, which in turn is underlain by hard glacial tills.

5.2) Foundations:

Beneath the uppermost 5 - 6 feet layer the very stiff to hard clayey silts were found to possess sufficient shear strength to support the proposed bridge on spread footings. Foundations under the piers as well as under the abutments may consequently be designed with spread footings. Footings should be placed at or below elevation 940 feet, using design loads up to 3 TSF on the footing bases. A minimum cover of 4 feet should be provided for frost protection.

Alternatively, the perched abutments, or if desired, the piers as well as the abutments can be designed to be supported on end-bearing piles, driven into the hard glacial till. The use of steel H piles appears to be the most economical. Piles should be driven according to Standard BD-82-7 using the appropriate design load. It is estimated that at the locations of the east abutments and east piers safe loads equal to the structural strength of the particular pile used will be reached by driving the piles to elevation 890 - 895 feet.

Under the west abutments and the west piers above bearing capacities may be reached by driving the piles to approximate elevation 900 feet. Pile caps at the abutment locations may be poured within the approach fills. In this case no bouldery material should be used for the fills at these locations, to facilitate pile driving through the

embankments. At the pier locations pile caps should be placed 4 feet below finished ground level.

5.3) Approach Fills and Excavations:

No stability problems are foreseen for the approach fills, provided that they are built with 2 horizontal to 1 vertical slopes.

No special dewatering scheme will likely be necessary for the footing excavations, since the clayey silts have sufficient cohesive strength to resist quick conditions, when excavated below groundwater level. Seepage water in the excavations may be handled by conventional open pumping. If the excavations remain open for some time, a lean concrete working slab might be necessary at the bottom of the excavations to prevent the soils from softening.

6. MISCELLANEOUS:

The field work carried out during the period of March 29 - April 12, 1972 was supervised by Mr. J. Bangs, Project Foundations Engineer.

Equipment used was owned and operated by P.V.K. Drilling Company, Burford, Ontario.

This report was written by Mr. A. K. Barsvary, Senior Foundations Engineer and reviewed by Mr. K. G. Selby, Supervising Foundations Engineer.

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June 6, 1972.

APPENDIX I

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

RECORD OF BOREHOLE No. 1

FOUNDATION SECTION

DESIGN SERVICES BRANCH

JOB 72-11044

LOCATION Sta. 114 + 77, 91 Ft. Rt. of  $\phi$  Hwy. 53

ORIGINATED BY W.V.

W.P. 164-60-00

BORING DATE April 12, 1972

COMPILED BY A.K.B.

DATUM Geodetic

BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger

CHECKED BY *[Signature]*

ELEV. DEPTH	SOIL PROFILE DESCRIPTION	STRAT. PLOT	SAMPLES			ELEV. SCALE	DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE BLOWS / FOOT		LIQUID LIMIT — $w_L$ PLASTIC LIMIT — $w_p$ WATER CONTENT — $w$			BULK DENSITY $\gamma$ P.C.F.	REMARKS
			NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS / FOOT		SHEAR STRENGTH P.S.F.		WATER CONTENT %				
							○ UNCONFINED + FIELD VANE ● QUICK TRIAXIAL x LAB. VANE	$w_p$ — $w$ — $w_L$	10	20	30		
945.7	Ground level.												
0.0	Clayey silt.	[Hatched]	1	SS	12								
	Traces of sand and gravel.		2	SS	28	940							
	Stiff to hard.		3	SS	17								
	Greyish brown.		4	SS	38								
			5	SS	65								
			6	SS	45	930							3 4 53 40
			7	SS	41								
922.7			8	SS	36								
23.0	Silty sand to sandy silt, traces of clay.	[Vertical Lines]	9	SS	26	920							0 50 44 6
	Stiff to hard.		10	SS	89	910							
	Grey.		11	SS	26								
			12	SS	20	900							
			13	SS	16								
895.7													
50.0	Sandy silt with clay and gravel. Hard.	[Dotted]	14	SS	100/8"								10 31 43 16
890.7	Glacial Till.												
55.0	End of borehole.												

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RECORD OF BOREHOLE No. 2

FOUNDATION SECTION

DESIGN SERVICES BRANCH

JOB 72-11044

LOCATION Sta. 112 + 70, 76 Ft. Rt. of  $\varnothing$  Hwy. 53

ORIGINATED BY J.B.

W.P. 164-60-00

BORING DATE April 11, 1972

COMPILED BY A.K.B.

DATUM Geodetic

BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger

CHECKED BY

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ELEV. SCALE	DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE		LIQUID LIMIT — $w_L$ PLASTIC LIMIT — $w_p$ WATER CONTENT — $w$			BULK DENSITY $\gamma$ P.C.F.	REMARKS		
ELEV. DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/FOOT		SHEAR STRENGTH P.S.F.		WATER CONTENT % $w_p$ — $w$ — $w_L$						
946.6	Ground level.													
0.0	Clayey silt with traces of sand and gravel.  Firm to hard.  Greyish brown.	1	SS	5	940									
		2	SS	20										
		3	SS	49										
		4	SS	85										
		5	SS	74										
		6	SS	34			930							3 9 53 35
926.6			7	SS		20								
20.0	Silt to sandy silt.  Traces of clay.  Stiff to hard.	8	SS	11	920									
		9	SS	10										
		10	SS	30										
911.6					910									
35.0	Sandy silt with clay and gravel.  Glacial Till.  Hard.	11	SS	36	900									
		12	SS	100/8"										
898.5		13	SS	100/9"										
48.1	End of borehole.													

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RECORD OF BOREHOLE No. 3

FOUNDATION SECTION

DESIGN SERVICES BRANCH

JOB 72-11044

LOCATION Sta. 114 + 41, 37 Ft. Rt. of  $\emptyset$  Hwy. 53

ORIGINATED BY J.B.

W.P. 164-60-00

BORING DATE April 7 - 10, 1972

COMPILED BY A.K.B.

DATUM Geodetic

BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger.

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SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ELEV. SCALE	DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE		LIQUID LIMIT — $w_L$ PLASTIC LIMIT — $w_p$ WATER CONTENT — $w$			BULK DENSITY $\gamma$ P.C.F.	REMARKS GR. SA. SI. CL.	
ELEV. DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT. PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS / FOOT	SHEAR STRENGTH P.S.F.		WATER CONTENT %				
						○ UNCONFINED + FIELD VANE ● QUICK TRIAXIAL x LAB. VANE		$w_p$ — $w$ — $w_L$ 10 20 30					
945.8	Ground level.												
0.0	Clayey silt some sand Firm to hard. Greyish brown.		1	SS	5							0 21 57 22	
			2	SS	21								
			3	SS	51								
			4	SS	40								
			5	SS	30								
929.3	Silt to sandy silt. Traces of clay. Stiff to hard.		6	SS	12								
16.5			7	SS	11								
			8	SS	15								
915.8	Sandy silt with clay and traces of gravel. Glacial Till. Very stiff to hard. Grey.		9	SS	30							0 3 89 8	
30.0			10	SS	29								
			11	SS	28								
			12	SS	33								
			13	SS	100/8"							5 37 47 11	
892.8			14	SS	100/7"								
53.0	End of borehole.												

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RECORD OF BOREHOLE No. 4

FOUNDATION SECTION

DESIGN SERVICES BRANCH

JOB 72-11044

LOCATION Sta. 112 + 59, 29 Ft. Rt. of  $\varnothing$  Hwy. 53

ORIGINATED BY J.B.

W.P. 164-60-00

BORING DATE April 6, 1972

COMPILED BY A.K.B.

DATUM Geodetic

BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger

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SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ELEV. SCALE	DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE BLOWS / FOOT				LIQUID LIMIT — $w_L$ PLASTIC LIMIT — $w_p$ WATER CONTENT — $w$			BULK DENSITY $\gamma$ P.C.F.	REMARKS	
ELEV. DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT. PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS / FOOT	SHEAR STRENGTH P.S.F.				WATER CONTENT %				
						○ UNCONFINED + FIELD VANE ● QUICK TRIAXIAL x LAB. VANE				$w_p$ — $w$ — $w_L$ 10 20 30					
946.9	Ground level.														
0.0	Clayey silt with some sand and traces of gravel. Firm to hard. Greyish brown.		1	SS	7									6 13 55 26	
			2	SS	15										
			3	SS	28										
			4	SS	31										
			5	SS	41										
			6	SS	33										
			7	SS	27										
			8	SS	24										
921.9	Silt to sandy silt. Traces of clay. Very stiff to soft.		9	SS	25										
25.0			10	SS	5										
911.9	Sandy silt with some clay and gravel. Glacial Till. Very stiff to hard.		11	SS	24										
35.0			12	SS	33										
			13	SS	100/9"										
893.9			14	SS	100/6"										
53.0	End of borehole.														

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

RECORD OF BOREHOLE No. 5

FOUNDATION SECTION

DESIGN SERVICES BRANCH

JOB 72-11044

LOCATION Sta. 116 + 12, 30 Ft. Lt. of E Hwy. 53

ORIGINATED BY J.B.

W.P. 164-60-00

BORING DATE March 29, 1972

COMPILED BY A.K.B.

DATUM Geodetic

BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger

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SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ELEV. SCALE	DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE					LIQUID LIMIT — $w_L$ PLASTIC LIMIT — $w_p$ WATER CONTENT — $w$			BULK DENSITY $\gamma$ P.C.F.	REMARKS
ELEV. DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/FOOT		BLOWS/FOOT 20 40 60 80 100					WATER CONTENT % $w_p$ — $w$ — $w_L$				
945.4	Ground level.														
0.0	Clayey silt with some sand & traces of gravel.  Stiff to hard.  Greyish brown.	1	SS	16											8 21 51 20
		2	SS	35	940										
		3	SS	59											
		4	SS	100											
		5	SS	100/9"	930										
		6	SS	118											
		7	SS	25											
922.9	Sandy silt with traces of clay.  Stiff to hard.	8	SS												1 14 79 6
22.5		9	SS	13	920										
		10	SS	59											
910.4	Sandy silt with some clay & gravel. Glacial Till. Hard.	11	SS	100/9"	910										
35.0		12	SS	100/3"											
902.7	End of borehole.														
42.7															

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RECORD OF BOREHOLE No. 6

FOUNDATION SECTION

DESIGN SERVICES BRANCH

JOB 72-11044

LOCATION Sta. 114 + 24, 41 Ft. Lt. of  $\emptyset$  Hwy. 53

ORIGINATED BY J.B.

W.P. 164-60-00

BORING DATE March 30, 1972

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DATUM Geodetic

BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger

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SOIL PROFILE			SAMPLES			ELEV. SCALE	DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE BLOWS / FOOT				LIQUID LIMIT — $w_L$ PLASTIC LIMIT — $w_P$ WATER CONTENT — $w$			BULK DENSITY $\gamma$ P.C.F.	REMARKS
ELEV. DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT. PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS / FOOT		20	40	60	80	100	WATER CONTENT % $w_P$ — $w$ — $w_L$			
945.8	Ground level.														
0.0	Clayey silt with some sand and traces of gravel. Firm to hard. Greyish brown.		1	SS	7										W.L. not observed.
			2	SS	12	940									
			3	SS	37										
			4	SS	61										
			5	SS	30										
929.8	Silt to sandy silt. Traces of clay. Very stiff to hard.		6	SS	35	930									
16.0			7	SS	24										
			8	SS	28										
			9	SS	35										
			10	SS	23										
907.8			11	SS	29	910									
38.0	Sandy silt with clay and gravel.														
901.8	Glacial Till.														
44.0	End of borehole.														

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS

RECORD OF BOREHOLE No. 7

FOUNDATION SECTION

DESIGN SERVICES BRANCH

JOB 72-11044

LOCATION Sta. 115 + 94, 80 Ft. Lt. of  $\varnothing$  Hwy. 53

ORIGINATED BY J.B.

W.P. 164-60-00

BORING DATE April 5, 1972

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DATUM Geodetic

BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger

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SOIL PROFILE		STRAT. PLOT	SAMPLES			ELEV. SCALE	DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE				LIQUID LIMIT — W <sub>L</sub> PLASTIC LIMIT — W <sub>P</sub> WATER CONTENT — W			BULK DENSITY $\gamma$	REMARKS	
ELEV. DEPTH	DESCRIPTION		NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/FOOT		SHEAR STRENGTH P.S.F.				WATER CONTENT %					
945.7	Ground level.															
0.0	Clayey silt with some sand, traces of gravel.  Stiff to hard.  Greyish brown.		1	SS	12											
			2	SS	20											
			3	SS	58											
			4	SS	44											
			5	SS	60											
			6	SS	21											
			7	SS	4											
927.7	Silt to sandy silt.  Traces of clay.  Very soft to firm.		8	SS	1											
18.0			9	SS	7											
914.7			10	SS	100	8"										
	Sandy silt with sand and gravel.  Glacial Till. Hard. Greyish brown.		11	SS	100	9"										
31.0			12	SS	100	7"										
902.6																
43.1	End of borehole.															

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS  
 DESIGN SERVICES BRANCH

**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No. 8**

FOUNDATION SECTION

JOB 72-11044 LOCATION Sta. 113 + 87, 92 Ft. Lt. of  $\varnothing$  Hwy. 53 ORIGINATED BY J.B.  
 W.P. 164-60-00 BORING DATE April 4, 1972 COMPILED BY A.K.B.  
 DATUM Geodetic BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger CHECKED BY [Signature]

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ELEV. SCALE	DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE				LIQUID LIMIT — $w_L$ PLASTIC LIMIT — $w_p$ WATER CONTENT — $w$			BULK DENSITY $\gamma$ P.C.F.	REMARKS GR. SA. SI. CL.	
ELEV. DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS / FOOT		SHEAR STRENGTH P.S.F.				WATER CONTENT %					
						○ UNCONFINED + FIELD VANE ● QUICK TRIAXIAL x LAB. VANE				$w_p$ — $w$ — $w_L$ 10 20 30					
946.1	Ground level.														
0.0	Clayey silt with traces of sand and gravel. Firm to hard. Greyish brown.	1	SS	7	940									2 9 59 30	
		2	SS	10											
		3	SS	61											
		4	SS	54											
932.1		5	SS	55											
14.0	Sandy silt, traces of clay. Stiff to hard.	6	SS	21	930									0 22 73 5	
		7	SS	31											
		8	SS	15											
		9	SS	12											
911.1		10	SS	54	910										
35.0	Sandy silt, some clay and gravel. Glacial Till. Hard. Greyish brown.	11	SS	100/10"	900										
		12	SS	100/8"											
897.1		13	SS	100											
49.0	End of borehole.														

## ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS REPORT

### PENETRATION RESISTANCE

STANDARD PENETRATION RESISTANCE 'N' - THE NUMBER OF BLOWS REQUIRED TO ADVANCE A STANDARD SPLIT SPOON SAMPLER 12 INCHES INTO THE SUBSOIL, DRIVEN BY MEANS OF A 140 POUND HAMMER FALLING FREELY A DISTANCE OF 30 INCHES.

DYNAMIC PENETRATION RESISTANCE :- THE NUMBER OF BLOWS REQUIRED TO ADVANCE A 2 INCH, 60 DEGREE CONE, FITTED TO THE END OF DRILL RODS, 12 INCHES INTO THE SUBSOIL, THE DRIVING ENERGY BEING 350 FOOT POUNDS PER BLOW.

### DESCRIPTION OF SOIL

THE CONSISTENCY OF COHESIVE SOILS AND THE RELATIVE DENSITY OR DENSENESS OF COHESIONLESS SOILS ARE DESCRIBED IN THE FOLLOWING TERMS :-

<u>CONSISTENCY</u>	<u>'N' BLOWS / FT.</u>	<u>c LB. / SQ. FT.</u>	<u>DENSENESS</u>	<u>'N' BLOWS / FT.</u>
VERY SOFT	0 - 2	0 - 250	VERY LOOSE	0 - 4
SOFT	2 - 4	250 - 500	LOOSE	4 - 10
FIRM	4 - 8	500 - 1000	COMPACT	10 - 30
STIFF	8 - 15	1000 - 2000	DENSE	30 - 50
VERY STIFF	15 - 30	2000 - 4000	VERY DENSE	> 50
HARD	> 30	> 4000		

### TYPE OF SAMPLE

S.S.	SPLIT SPOON	T.W.	THINWALL OPEN
W.S.	WASHED SAMPLE	T.P.	THINWALL PISTON
S.B.	SCRAPER BUCKET SAMPLE	O.S.	OESTERBERG SAMPLE
A.S.	AUGER SAMPLE	F.S.	FOIL SAMPLE
C.S.	CHUNK SAMPLE	R.C.	ROCK CORE
S.T.	SLOTTED TUBE SAMPLE		
	P.H.	SAMPLE ADVANCED HYDRAULICALLY	
	P.M.	SAMPLE ADVANCED MANUALLY	

### SOIL TESTS

Qu	UNCONFINED COMPRESSION	L.V.	LABORATORY VANE
Q	UNDRAINED TRIAXIAL	F.V.	FIELD VANE
Qcu	CONSOLIDATED UNDRAINED TRIAXIAL	C	CONSOLIDATION
Qd	DRAINED TRIAXIAL	S	SENSITIVITY

## ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS REPORT

### SOIL PROPERTIES

$\gamma$	UNIT WEIGHT OF SOIL (BULK DENSITY)
$\gamma_s$	UNIT WEIGHT OF SOLID PARTICLES
$\gamma_w$	UNIT WEIGHT OF WATER
$\gamma_d$	UNIT DRY WEIGHT OF SOIL (DRY DENSITY)
$\gamma'$	UNIT WEIGHT OF SUBMERGED SOIL
G	SPECIFIC GRAVITY OF SOLID PARTICLES $G = \frac{\gamma_s}{\gamma_w}$
e	VOID RATIO
n	POROSITY
w	WATER CONTENT
$S_r$	DEGREE OF SATURATION
$w_L$	LIQUID LIMIT
$w_P$	PLASTIC LIMIT
$I_p$	PLASTICITY INDEX
s	SHRINKAGE LIMIT
$I_L$	LIQUIDITY INDEX = $\frac{w - w_P}{I_p}$
$I_C$	CONSISTENCY INDEX = $\frac{w_L - w}{I_p}$
$e_{max}$	VOID RATIO IN LOOSEST STATE
$e_{min}$	VOID RATIO IN DENSEST STATE
$I_D$	DENSITY INDEX = $\frac{e_{max} - e}{e_{max} - e_{min}}$
	RELATIVE DENSITY $D_r$ IS ALSO USED
h	HYDRAULIC HEAD OR POTENTIAL
q	RATE OF DISCHARGE
v	VELOCITY OF FLOW
i	HYDRAULIC GRADIENT
k	COEFFICIENT OF PERMEABILITY
j	SEEPAGE FORCE PER UNIT VOLUME
$m_v$	COEFFICIENT OF VOLUME CHANGE = $\frac{-\Delta e}{(1+e)\Delta\sigma}$
$c_v$	COEFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
$C_c$	COMPRESSION INDEX = $\frac{\Delta e}{\Delta \log_{10} \sigma}$
$T_v$	TIME FACTOR = $\frac{c_v t}{d^2}$ (d, DRAINAGE PATH)
U	DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION
$\tau_f$	SHEAR STRENGTH
$c'$	EFFECTIVE COHESION INTERCEPT
$\phi'$	EFFECTIVE ANGLE OF SHEARING RESISTANCE, OR FRICTION
$c_u$	APPARENT COHESION
$\phi_u$	APPARENT ANGLE OF SHEARING RESISTANCE, OR FRICTION
$\mu$	COEFFICIENT OF FRICTION
$S_t$	SENSITIVITY

### GENERAL

$\pi$	= 3.1416
e	BASE OF NATURAL LOGARITHMS 2.7183
$\log_e a$ OR $\ln a$	NATURAL LOGARITHM OF a
$\log_{10} a$ OR $\log a$	LOGARITHM OF a TO BASE 10
t	TIME
g	ACCELERATION DUE TO GRAVITY
V	VOLUME
W	WEIGHT
M	MOMENT
F	FACTOR OF SAFETY

### STRESS AND STRAIN

u	PORE PRESSURE
$\sigma$	NORMAL STRESS
$\sigma'$	NORMAL EFFECTIVE STRESS ( $\bar{\sigma}$ IS ALSO USED)
$\tau$	SHEAR STRESS
$\epsilon$	LINEAR STRAIN
$\gamma$	SHEAR STRAIN
$\nu$	POISSON'S RATIO ( $\mu$ IS ALSO USED)
E	MODULUS OF LINEAR DEFORMATION (YOUNG'S MODULUS)
G	MODULUS OF SHEAR DEFORMATION
K	MODULUS OF COMPRESSIBILITY
$\eta$	COEFFICIENT OF VISCOSITY

### EARTH PRESSURE

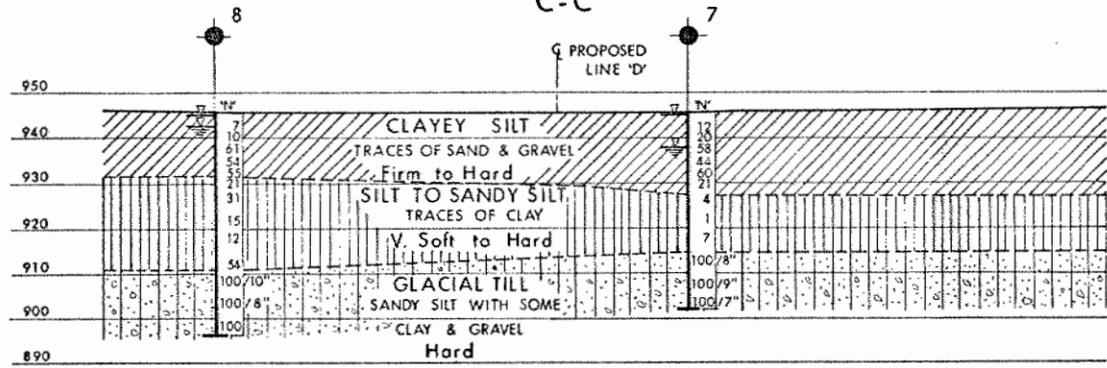
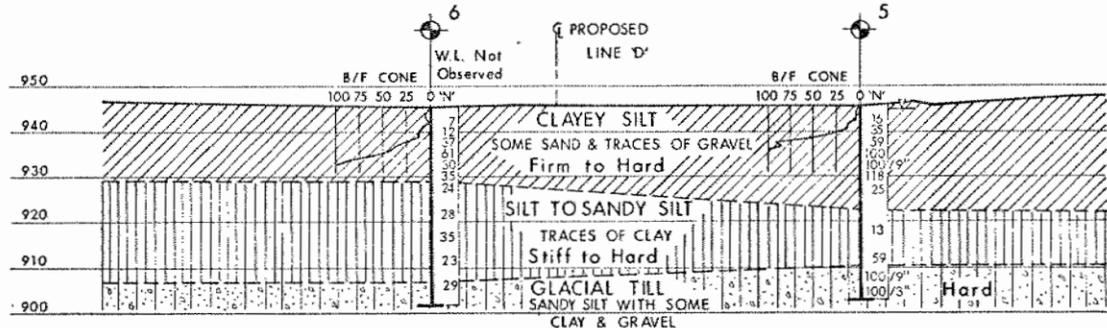
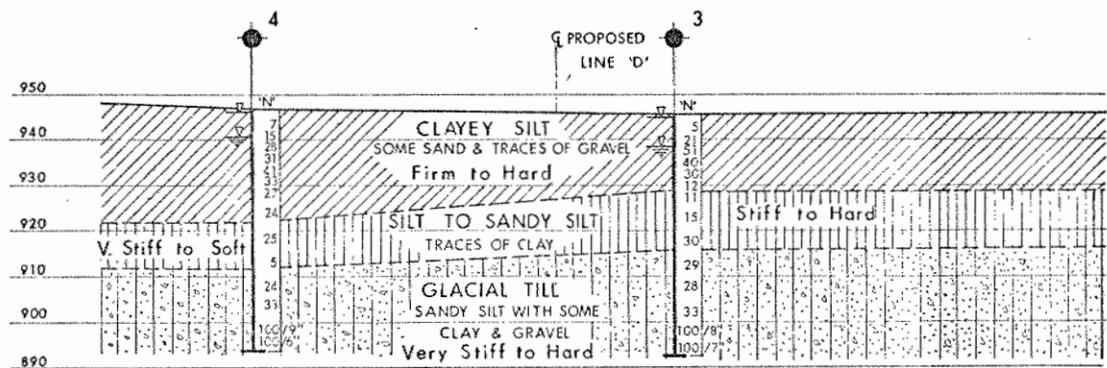
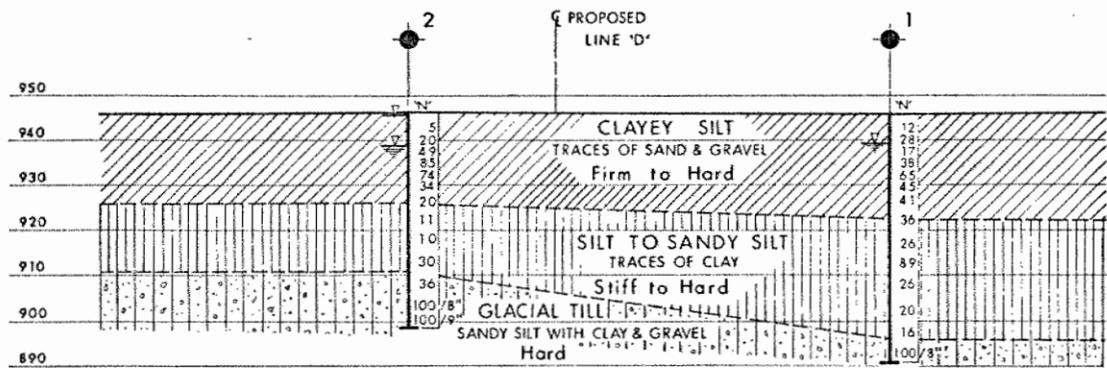
d	DISTANCE FROM TOP OF WALL TO POINT OF APPLICATION OF PRESSURE
$\delta$	ANGLE OF WALL FRICTION
K	DIMENSIONLESS COEFFICIENT TO BE USED WITH VARIOUS SUFFIXES IN EXPRESSIONS REFERRING TO NORMAL STRESS ON WALLS
$K_0$	COEFFICIENT OF EARTH PRESSURE AT REST

### FOUNDATIONS

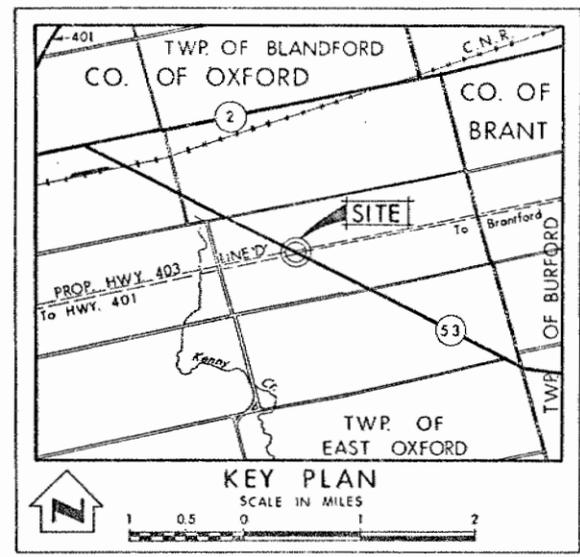
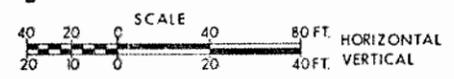
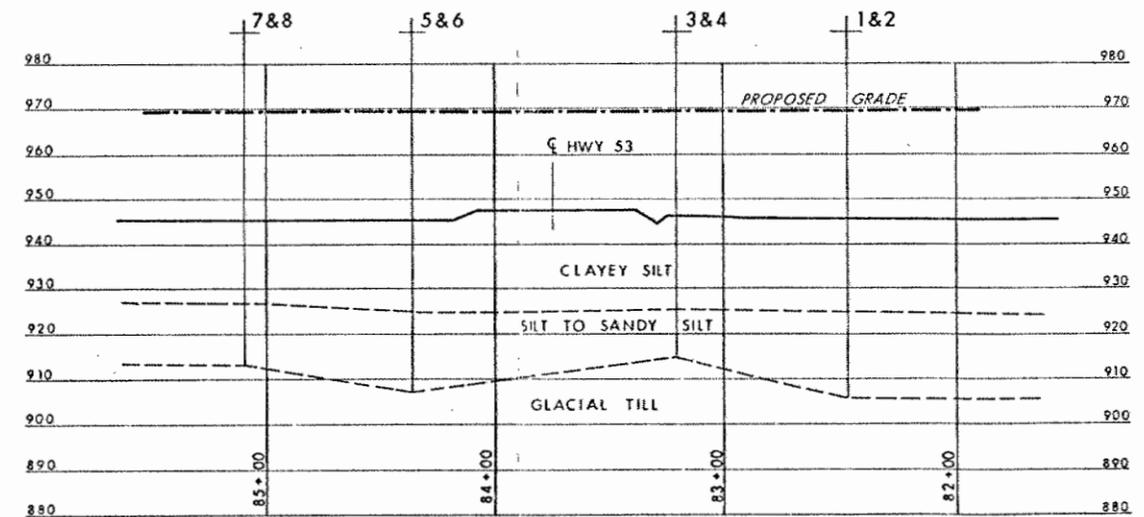
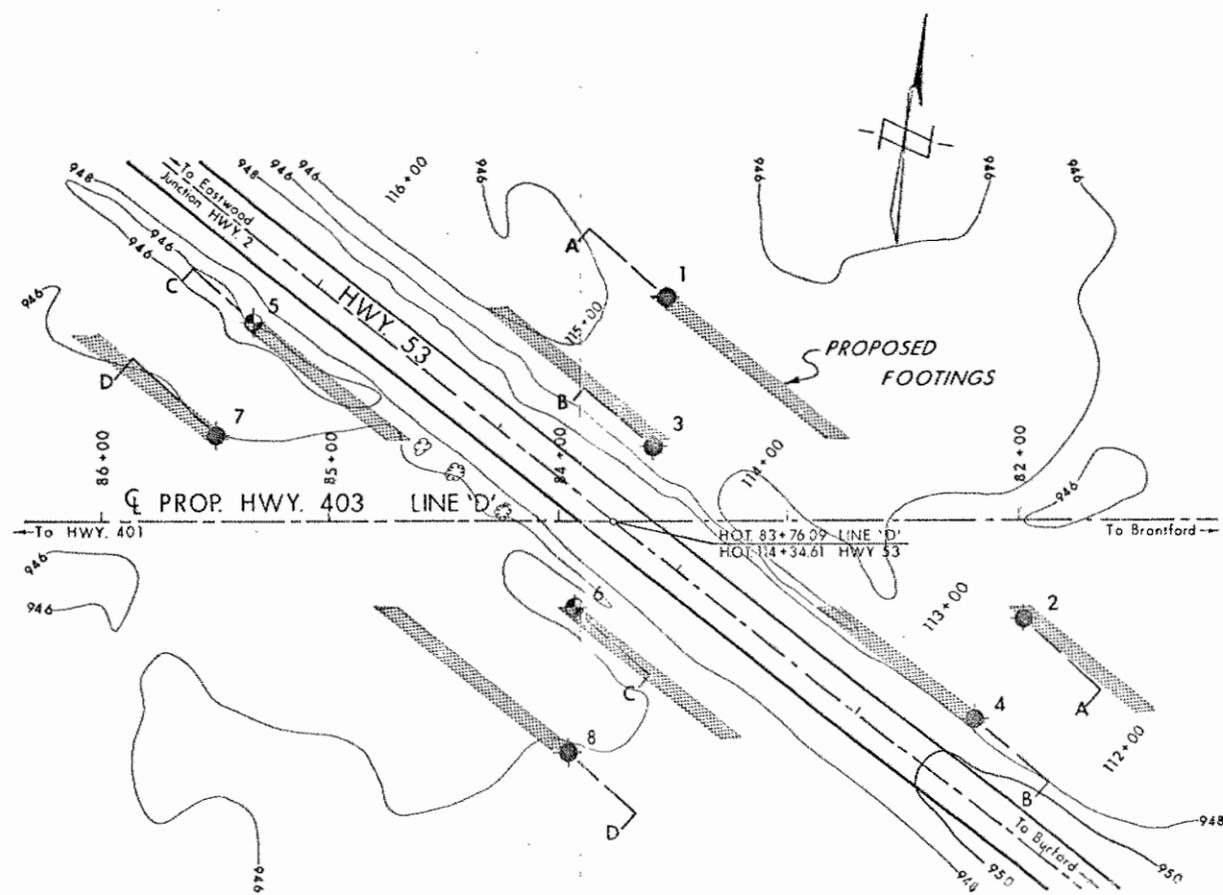
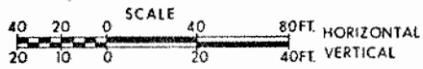
B	BREADTH OF FOUNDATION
L	LENGTH OF FOUNDATION
D	DEPTH OF FOUNDATION BENEATH GROUND
N	DIMENSIONLESS COEFFICIENT USED WITH A SUFFIX APPLYING TO SPECIFIC GRAVITY, DEPTH AND COHESION ETC. IN THE FORMULA FOR BEARING CAPACITY
$k_s$	MODULUS OF SUBGRADE REACTION

### SLOPES

H	VERTICAL HEIGHT OF SLOPE
D	DEPTH BELOW TOE OF SLOPE TO HARD STRATUM
$\beta$	ANGLE OF SLOPE TO HORIZONTAL



**SECTIONS**



**LEGEND**

- Bore Hole
- Cone Penetration Test
- Bore Hole & Cone Test
- Water Levels established at time of field investigation.
- HEAD Artesian Water APRIL, 1972
- ENCOUNTERED

NO.	ELEVATION	HWY 53	
		STATION	OFFSET
1	945.7	114 + 77	91' RT.
2	946.6	112 + 70	76' RT.
3	945.8	114 + 41	37' RT.
4	946.9	112 + 59	29' RT.
5	945.4	116 + 12	30' LT.
6	945.8	114 + 24	41' LT.
7	945.7	115 + 94	80' LT.
8	946.1	113 + 87	92' LT.

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DATE	BY	DESCRIPTION

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION & COMMUNICATIONS  
DESIGN SERVICES BRANCH — FOUNDATIONS OFFICE

**HIGHWAY 53**

HIGHWAY NO. 403 LINE 'D' DIST. NO. 4  
CO. OXFORD  
TWP. EAST OXFORD LOTS 4 & 5 CON. 2

**BORE HOLE LOCATIONS & SOIL STRATA**

SUBMD. A.B. CHECKED ✓	W.P. NO. 164-60-00	DRAWING NO.
DRAWN O.E. CHECKED ✓	JOB NO. 72-11044	<b>72-11044A</b>
DATE <u>JUNE 9, 1972</u>	SITE NO.	BRIDGE DRAWING NO.
APPROVED <i>William</i>	CONT. NO.	



Approach Embankments

Fills up to 7.5 metres are required to attain the proposed profile grade (El. 296.5) of Hwy. #53 at this location. No stability problems are anticipated for fills of this height provided with 2:1 forward and side slopes. Long term settlement of the cohesive portion of the subsoil induced by the construction of the approach fills is estimated to be in the range of 25-30 mm.

The fill should consist of well compacted acceptable material. Care should be taken that no material having grain sizes larger than 75 mm is placed at locations where piles have to be driven.

Other Considerations

The frost protection requirements in this area is 1.2 m of earth cover.

In order to estimate the earth pressures on the abutment walls, the following values are recommended:

Unit weight of granular backfill: 21.2 kN/m<sup>3</sup>  
Coefficient of active earth pressure :  $K_a = 0.35$   
Coefficient of earth pressure at rest:  $K_o = 0.5$

A suitable drainage system should be provided to relieve the build-up of excess hydrostatic pressure behind the walls.

Should spread footing type supports be selected, the base of the excavations should be protected against softening by pouring an approximate 15 cm thick lean concrete immediately upon exposure.

A shearing resistance value of 50 kPa against sliding is assumed to apply between the base of footings and the cohesive (silty clay) subsoil.

Miscellaneous

A revised, new metric drawing and foundation investigation report will be prepared for contract purposes.

Should additional information be required please contact our Office.

  
P. Payer  
Foundations Engineer

For: K.G. Selby  
Senior Foundations Engineer

PP:ea

cc: S.C. Grebski

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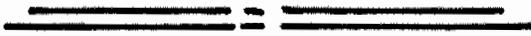
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HWY. No. 403

LOCATION Hwy 53 and Hwy 403  
Overhead

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OVERSIZE DRAWINGS TO BE INCLUDED WITH THIS REPORT. \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

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G.I.-30 SEPT. 1976

## RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 3

W P 164-60-01 LOCATION Sta. 13+346.2, 10.7 m Lt. of Hwy. 53 ORIGINATED BY J.B.  
 DIST 4 HWY 403 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY O.J.  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 72 04 10 CHECKED BY \_\_\_\_\_

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			'N' VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH								
						20	40	60	80	100						
288.3	Ground Level															
	Silty Clay Low Plasticity Some Sand Grayish Brown Firm to Hard		1	SS	5											
			2	SS	21											
			3	SS	51											
			4	SS	40											
			5	SS	30											
283.3			6	SS	12											
5.0	Silt to Sandy Silt Traces of Clay Compact to Dense		7	SS	11											
			8	SS	15											
279.1			9	SS	30											
9.1	Silty Clay With Sand Trace of Gravel (Glacial Till) Very Stiff to Hard Gray		10	SS	29											
			11	SS	28											
			12	SS	33											
274			13	SS	100/	20 cm										
272.1		14	SS	100/	18 cm											
16.2	End of Borehole															

## RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 4

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 DIST 4 HWY 403 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY O.J.  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 72 04 06 CHECKED BY \_\_\_\_\_

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT					UNIT WEIGHT $\gamma$	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL	
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	TYPE	'N' VALUES			SHEAR STRENGTH							WATER CONTENT (%)
						20 40 60 80 100 O UNCONFINED + FIELD VANE ● QUICK TRIAXIAL x LAB VANE					PLASTIC LIMIT NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>p</sub> W W <sub>L</sub>			
288.6	Ground Level													
0.0	Silty Clay Low Plasticity Some Sand Traces of Gravel Firm to Hard Grayish Brown	1	SS	7		288								6 13 55 26
		2	SS	15										
		3	SS	28										
		4	SS	31										
		5	SS	41										
		6	SS	33										
		7	SS	27										
		8	SS	24		282								
281.0	Silt to Sandy Silt Traces of Clay Loose to Compact	9	SS	25		280								
7.6		10	SS	5		278								
277.9	Silty Clay With Sand Trace of Gravel (Glacial Till) Very Stiff to Hard	11	SS	24		276								
10.7		12	SS	33		274								
		13	SS	100/	23 cm		272							
		14	SS	100/	15 cm		270							
272.5	End of Borehole					272								
16.2														

+<sup>3</sup>, x<sup>5</sup> : Numbers refer to Sensitivity      20  
 15  $\phi$  5 (%) STRAIN AT FAILURE  
 10

## RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 5

W P 164-60-01 LOCATION Sta. 13+296.2, 9.1 m Rt. of Hwy. 53 ORIGINATED BY J.B.  
 DIST 4 HWY 403 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 72 03 29 CHECKED BY \_\_\_\_\_

SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT		PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			'N' VALUES	20					
288.2	Ground Level												
0.0	Silty Clay Low Plasticity Some Sand Traces of Gravel Stiff to Hard Grayish Brown		1	SS	16	23 cm							8 21 51 20
			2	SS	35								
			3	SS	59								
			4	SS	100								
			5	SS	100								
			6	SS	118								
			7	SS	25								
281.3	Sandy Silt Traces of Clay Compact to Very Dense		8	SS	1	23 cm							1 14 79 6
6.9			9	SS	13								
			10	SS	59								
277.5	Silty Clay With Sand Trace of Gravel (Glacial Till) Hard		11	SS	100	23 cm							
10.7			12	SS	100								
275.1	End of Borehole					8 cm							
13.0													

+3, x5 : Numbers refer to Sensitivity      20  
 15 ⊕ 5 (%) STRAIN AT FAILURE  
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## RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 6

W P 164-60-01 LOCATION Sta. 13+352.6, 12.2 m Rt. of Hwy. 53 ORIGINATED BY J.B.  
 DIST 4 HWY 403 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY O.J.  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 72 03 30 CHECKED BY \_\_\_\_\_

SOIL PROFILE			SAMPLES			GROUND WATER CONDITIONS	ELEVATION SCALE	DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION RESISTANCE PLOT 20 40 60 80 100	PLASTIC LIMIT W <sub>p</sub>	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT W	LIQUID LIMIT W <sub>L</sub>	UNIT WEIGHT γ	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL	
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE	'N' VALUES									
288.3	Ground Level													
283.4	Silty Clay Low Plasticity Some Sand Traces of Gravel Firm to Hard Grayish Brown		1	SS	7									
			2	SS	12									
			3	SS	37									
			4	SS	61									
			5	SS	30									
276.7	Silt to Sandy Silt Trace of Clay Compact to Dense		6	SS	35									
			7	SS	24									
			8	SS	28									
			9	SS	35									
			10	SS	23									
274.9	Silty Clay With Sand, Trace of Gravel (Till) Hard		11	SS	29									
13.4	End of Borehole													

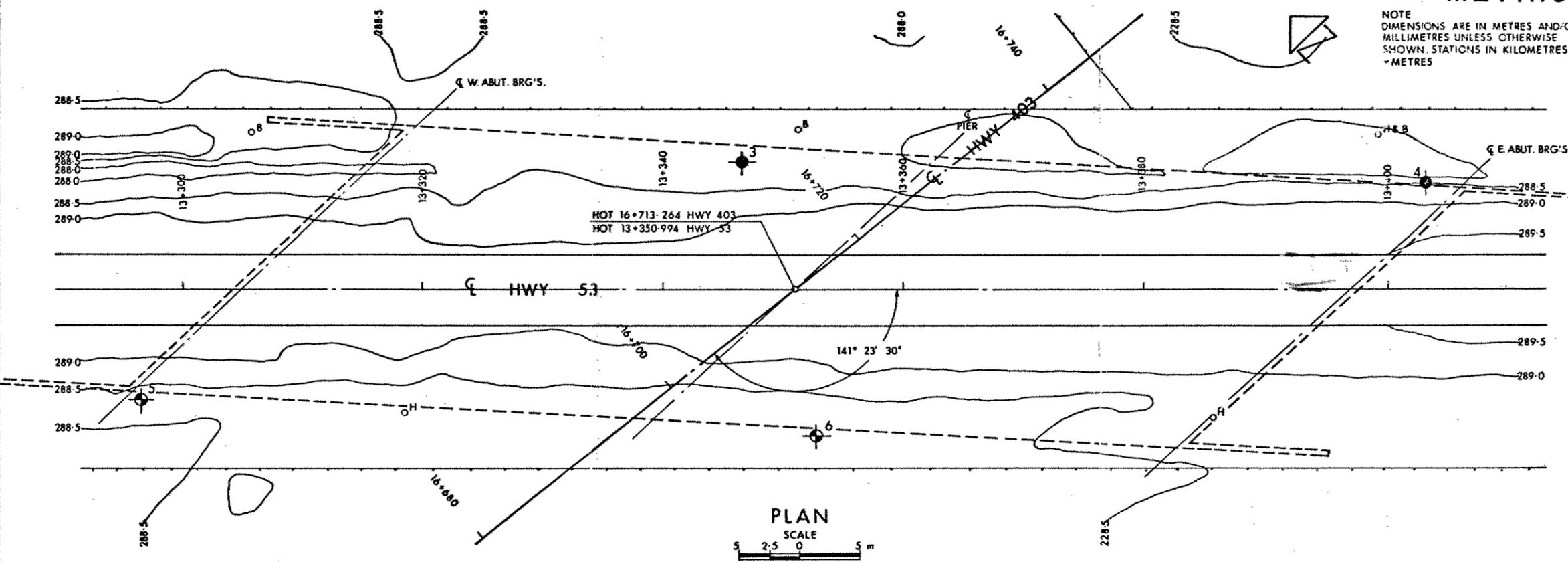
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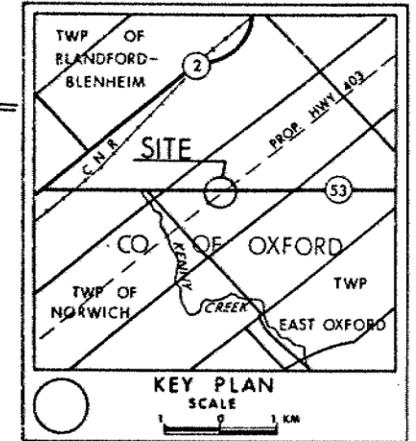
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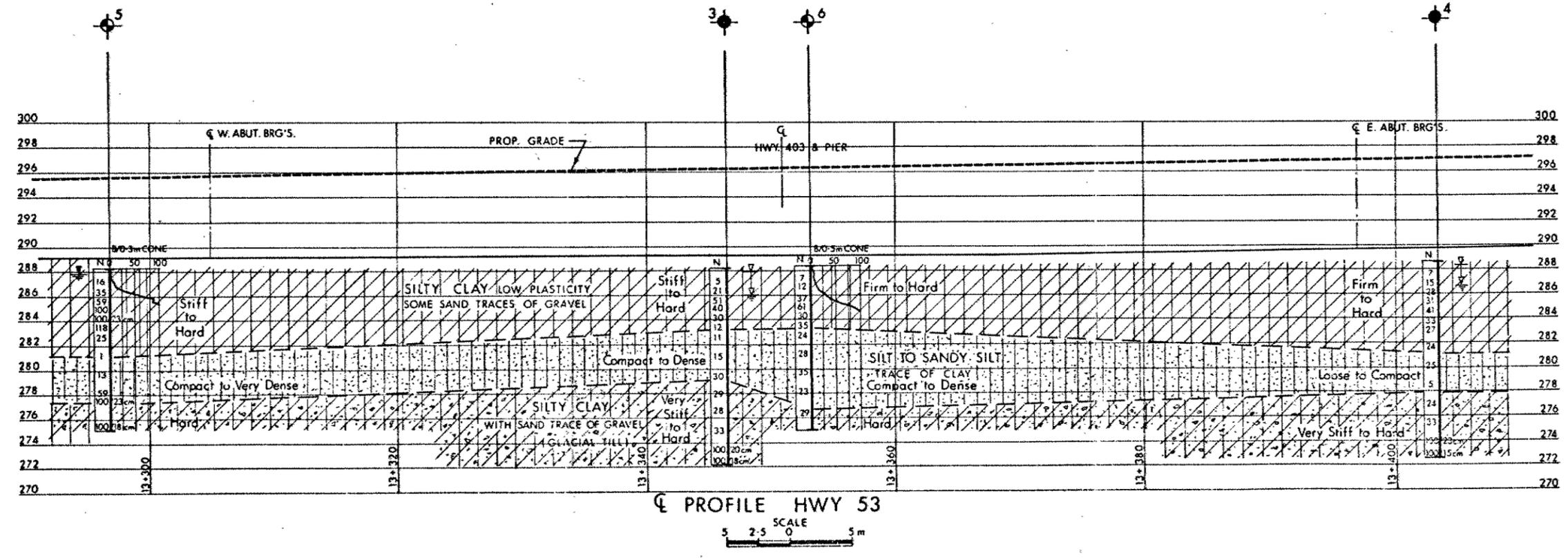
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**LEGEND**

- Bore Hole
- ⊕ Dynamic Cone Penetration Test (Cone)
- ⊕ Bore Hole & Cone
- N Blows/0.3m (Std Pen Test, 475 J/blow)
- CONE Blows/0.3m (60° Cone, 475 J/blow)
- ⬇ W.L. at time of investigation 72 04 10
- ⊕ HEAD
- ⊕ ARTESIAN CONDITION
- ⊕ ENCOUNTERED

No	ELEVATION	STATION	OFFSET C/L HWY 53
3	288.3	13+346.2	10.7 LT.
4	288.6	13+403.6	9.1 LT.
5	288.2	13+296.2	9.1 RT.
6	288.3	13+352.6	12.2 RT.



**PROFILE HWY 53**  
SCALE  
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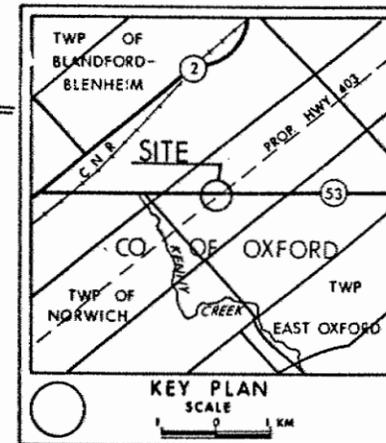
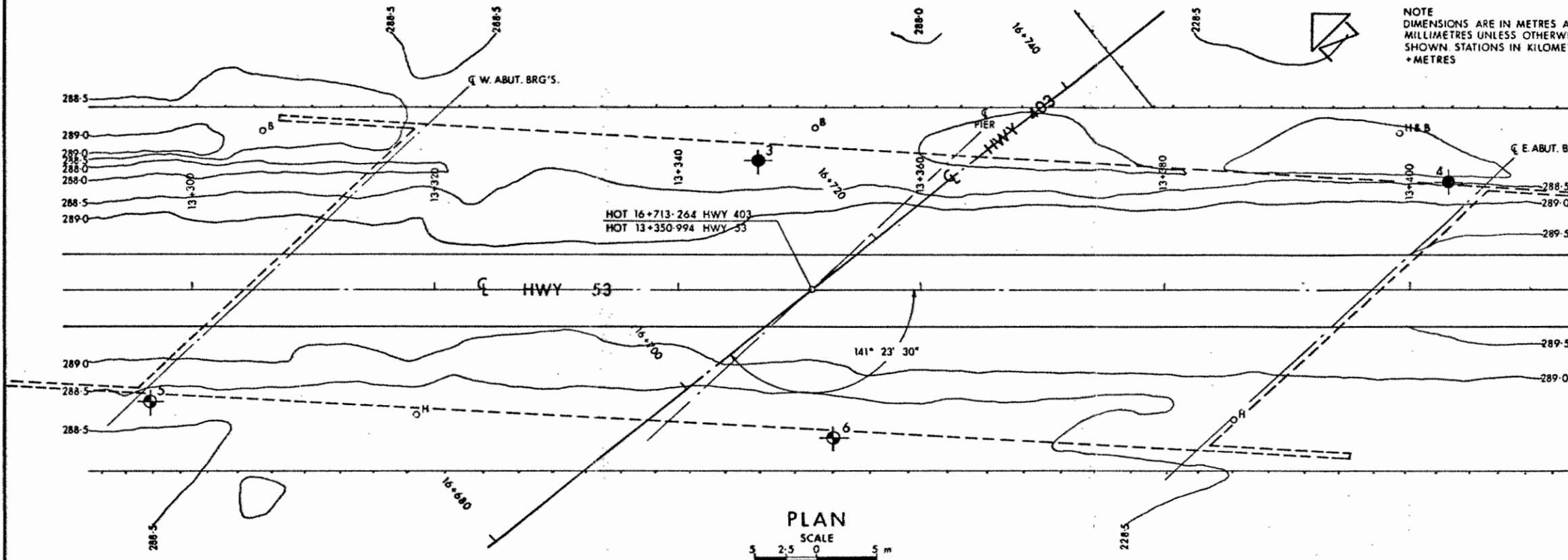


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BORE HOLE LOCATIONS & SOIL STRATA

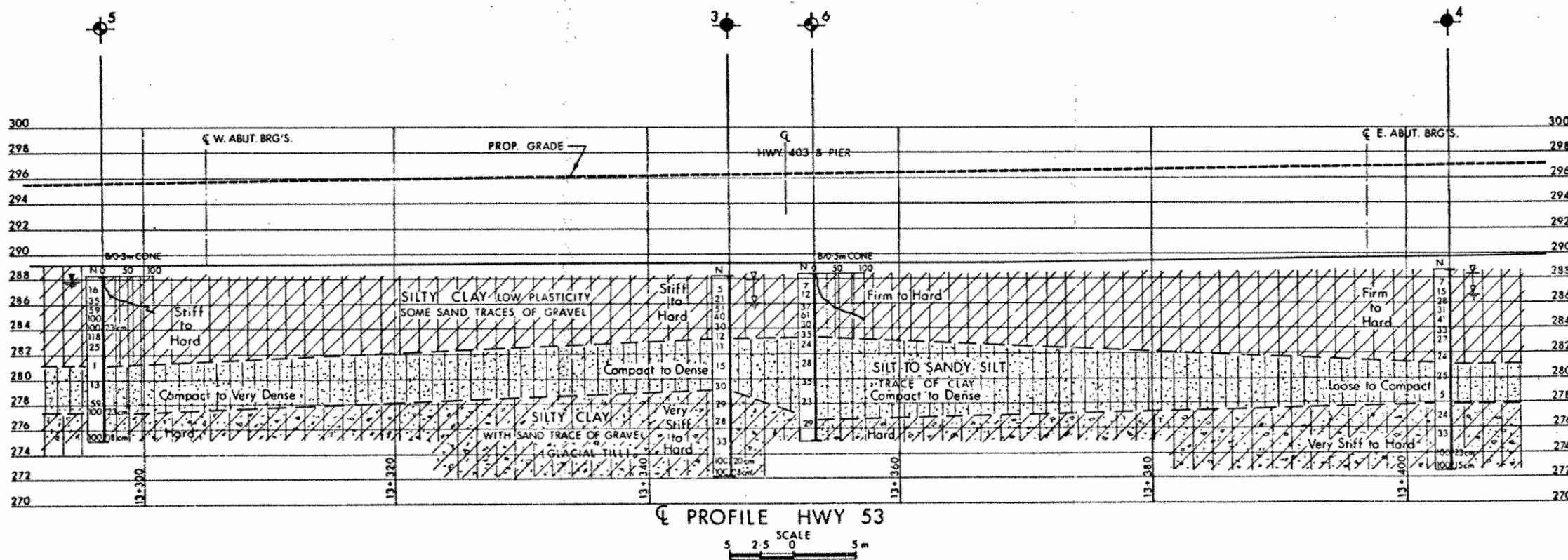
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PILE INFORMATION TO BE ADDED TO DWG - 4, "FOOTING AND PIER DETAILS"  
 HWY 53 INTERCHANGE U'PASS, HWY 403, WP 164-60-01 SITE 23-291

### PILE DATA

- PILES FOR ABUTMENTS AND PIER SHALL BE HP 310 x 110 STEEL H-PILES.
- PILES FOR N.E. & S.W. RETAINING WALLS SHALL BE HP 310 x 79 STEEL H-PILES.
- PILE LENGTH SHOWN ON THE DRAWING, IS THE THEORETICAL LENGTH BELOW CUT-OFF.
- DRIVING SHOES TO BE PROVIDED ON ALL PILES IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDARD DD 3301.

### PILE DESIGN DATA

HP 310 x 110 { DESIGN LOAD AT S.L.S. TYPE II = 900.0 KN ←  
 FACTORED CAPACITY AT U.L.S. = 1600.0 KN ←

HP 310 x 79 { DESIGN LOAD AT S.L.S. TYPE II = 650.0 KN ←  
 FACTORED CAPACITY AT U.L.S. = 1150.0 KN ←

### PILE CONSTRUCTION DATA

PILES TO BE DRIVEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH STANDARD SS 103-10 OR SS 103-11 USING AN ULTIMATE CAPACITY OF  
2700.0 KN PER PILE FOR HP 310 x 110 PILES AND  
1950.0 KN PER PILE FOR HP 310 x 79 PILES, BUT  
 MUST BE DRIVEN BELOW,

EL. 277.0 FOR THE WEST ABUTMENT  
 AND S.W. RETAINING WALL,  
 EL. 273.0 FOR THE PIER AND  
 EL. 274.0 FOR THE EAST ABUTMENT  
 AND N.E. RETAINING WALL.

Earth pressure should be calculated as per Subsection 6.6.1.2.2  
 of the OHBDC.

D. H. Dundas

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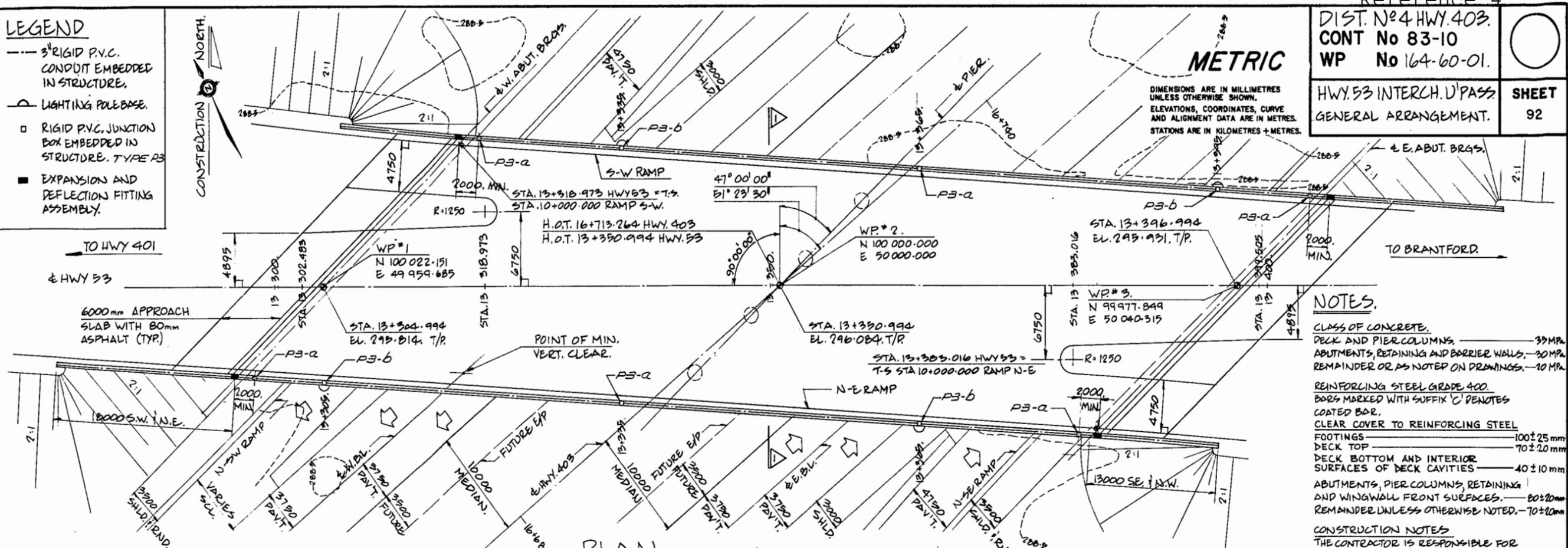




- LEGEND**
- 3" RIGID P.V.C. CONDUIT EMBEDDED IN STRUCTURE.
  - LIGHTING POLE BASE.
  - RIGID P.V.C. JUNCTION BOX EMBEDDED IN STRUCTURE. TYPE A3
  - EXPANSION AND DEFLECTION FITTING ASSEMBLY.

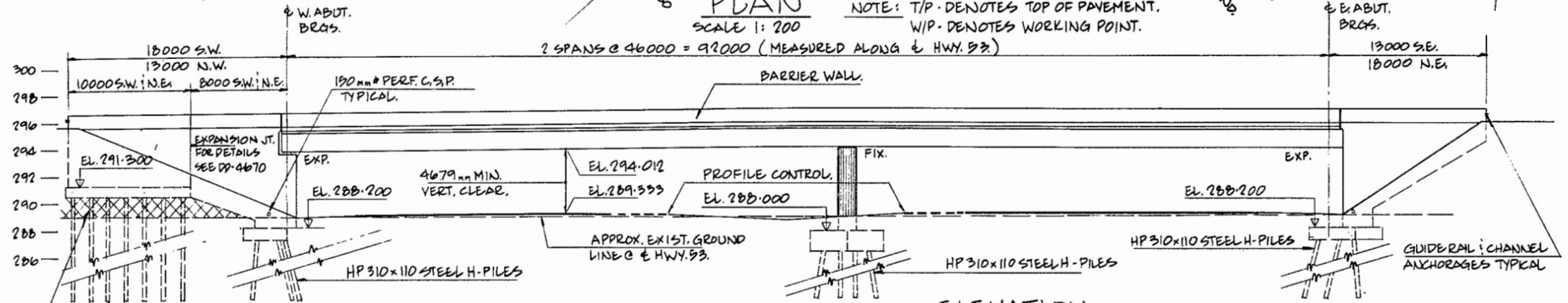
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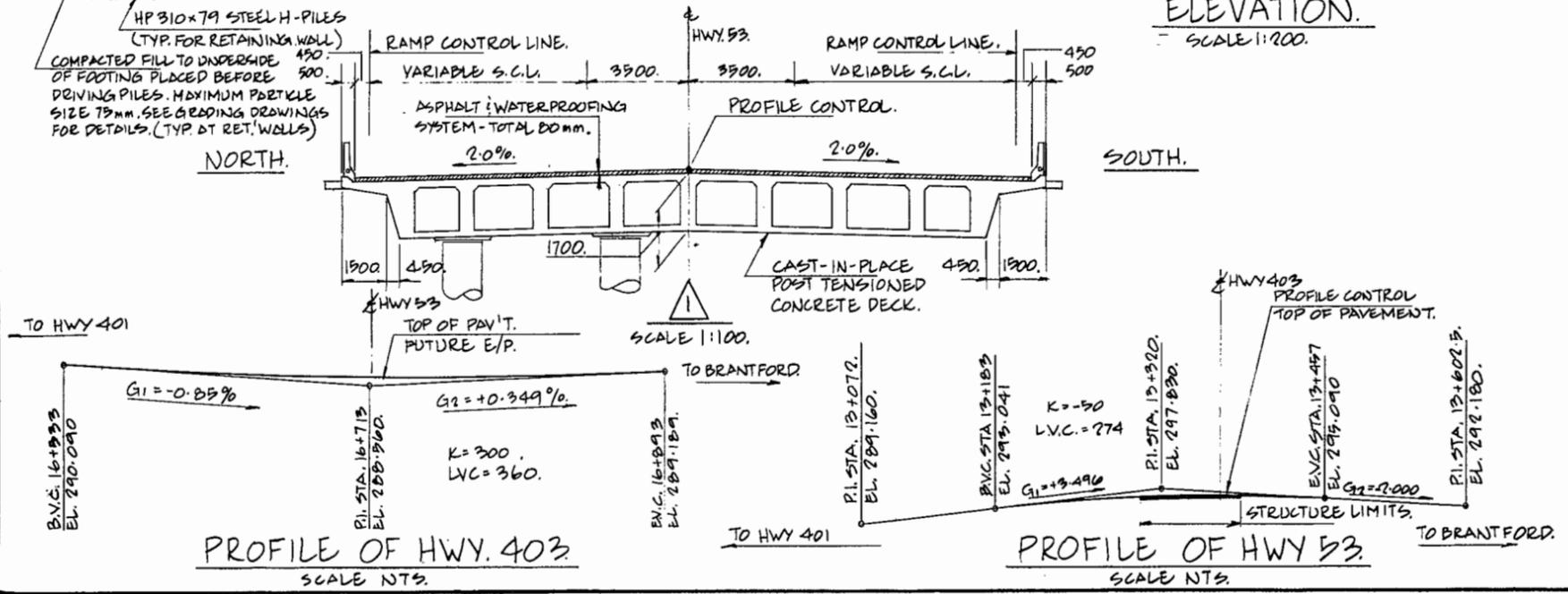
- CLASS OF CONCRETE.**  
DECK AND PIER COLUMNS, ABUTMENTS, RETAINING AND BARRIER WALLS, REMAINDER OR AS NOTED ON DRAWINGS.
- REINFORCING STEEL GRADE 400.**  
BARS MARKED WITH SUFFIX 'C' DENOTES COATED BAR.  
CLEAR COVER TO REINFORCING STEEL
- FOOTINGS** 100 ± 25 mm  
**DECK TOP** 70 ± 2.0 mm  
**DECK BOTTOM AND INTERIOR SURFACES OF DECK CAVITIES** 40 ± 10 mm
- ABUTMENTS, PIER COLUMNS, RETAINING AND WINGWALL FRONT SURFACES.** 80 ± 20 mm  
**REMAINDER UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.** -70 ± 20 mm
- CONSTRUCTION NOTES**  
THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR FINISHING THE BEARING SEATS DEAD LEVEL TO THE SPECIFIED ELEV. WITH A TOLERANCE OF ± 3 mm.



- CONCRETE QUANTITIES.**  
CONCRETE QUANTITIES ARE LISTED BELOW FOR THE APPROPRIATE CONCRETE LUMP SUM TENDER ITEMS.
- CONCRETE IN ABUTMENTS, WINGWALLS AND RETAINING WALLS. 743 m<sup>3</sup>
  - CONCRETE IN PIER. 98 m<sup>3</sup>
  - CONCRETE IN PRESTRESSED CONCRETE BRIDGE DECK. 1801 m<sup>3</sup>
  - CONCRETE IN APPROACH SLABS. 75 m<sup>3</sup>
  - CONCRETE IN BARRIER WALLS. 55 m<sup>3</sup>

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- GENERAL ARRANGEMENT.
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- DECK REINFORCEMENT IV.
- DECK REINFORCEMENT V.
- BARRIER WALL.
- 6000 mm APPROACH SLAB.
- STANDARD DETAILS.
- AS CONSTRUCTED ELEV. AND DIM.
- BRIDGE DATE AND SITE NO DATA.
- PILE DRIVING - DROP HAMMERS.
- PILE DRIVING - STEAM AND DIESEL HAMMERS.
- BRIDGE ELECTRICAL DETAILS



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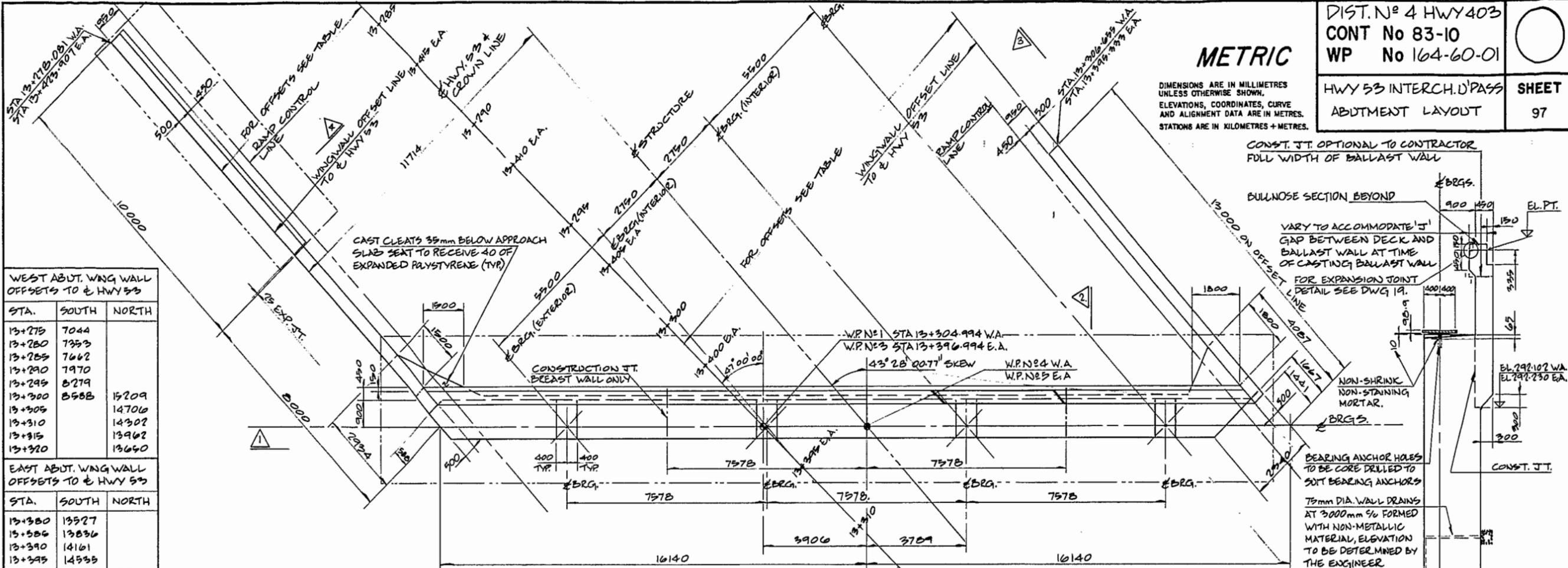
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# METRIC

DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETRES UNLESS OTHERWISE SHOWN.  
ELEVATIONS, COORDINATES, CURVE AND ALIGNMENT DATA ARE IN METRES.  
STATIONS ARE IN KILOMETRES + METRES.



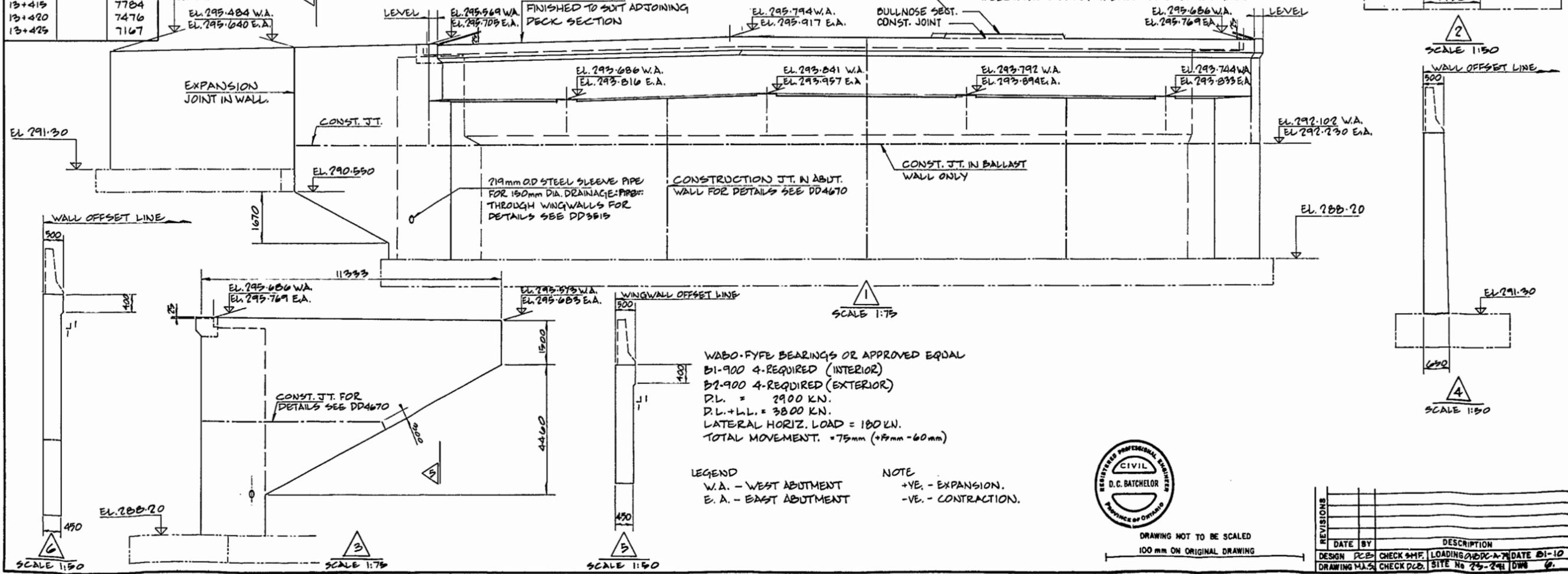
WEST ABUT. WING WALL OFFSETS TO & HWY 53

STA.	SOUTH	NORTH
13+275	7044	
13+280	7353	
13+285	7662	
13+290	7970	
13+295	8279	
13+300	8588	15209
13+305		14706
13+310		14302
13+315		13902
13+320		13640

EAST ABUT. WING WALL OFFSETS TO & HWY 53

STA.	SOUTH	NORTH
13+380	13527	
13+385	13836	
13+390	14161	
13+395	14535	
13+400	14994	8711
13+405		8402
13+410		8093
13+415		7784
13+420		7476
13+425		7167

PLAN SCALE 1:75



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WABO-FYFE BEARINGS OR APPROVED EQUAL  
 B1-900 4-REQUIRED (INTERIOR)  
 B2-900 4-REQUIRED (EXTERIOR)  
 D.L. = 2900 KN.  
 D.L.+L.L. = 3800 KN.  
 LATERAL HORIZ. LOAD = 180 KN.  
 TOTAL MOVEMENT. = 75mm (+75mm-60mm)

LEGEND  
 W.A. - WEST ABUTMENT  
 E.A. - EAST ABUTMENT

NOTE  
 +VE. - EXPANSION.  
 -VE. - CONTRACTION.



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DESIGN P.C. CHECK M.F. LOADING AND DATE 01-10  
 DRAWING M.A.S. CHECK D.C.B. SITE No 75-291 DWG 6



## **APPENDIX B**

Site Photographs



**Photograph 1:** Looking at the east abutment of the Oxford Road 55 Underpass structure. Vertical cracks were observed on the abutment wall. Weep holes were observed in the abutment wall. Grasses are growing at the toe of abutment wall (August 28, 2015).



**Photograph 2:** Looking at the northeast wingwall and the adjacent slope of the east abutment of the Oxford Road 55 Underpass Structure. Surficial cracks were observed on the wingwall. The slope is vegetated and effect of erosion on the embankment slope face was not observed (August 28, 2015).



**Photograph 3:** Looking at the southeast wingwall and the adjacent slope of the east abutment of the Oxford Road 55 Underpass Structure. Surficial cracks were observed on the wingwall. Light spalling of concrete was observed at the joint of abutment wall and wingwall. The slope is vegetated and effect of erosion on the embankment slope face was not observed (August 28, 2015).



**Photograph 4:** Looking at the west abutment of the Oxford Road 55 Underpass structure. Vertical cracks were observed on the abutment wall. Horizontal and vertical cracks were observed on the southwest wingwall, where white salt staining was observed. Weep holes were observed in the abutment wall. Grasses are growing at the toe of abutment wall (August 28, 2015).



**Photograph 5:** Looking at the northwest wingwall and the adjacent slope of the west abutment of the Oxford Road 55 Underpass Structure. Cracks were observed on the wingwall. The slope is vegetated and effect of erosion on the slope face was not observed (August 28, 2015).



**Photograph 6:** Looking at the southwest wingwall and the adjacent slope of the west abutment of the Oxford Road 55 Underpass Structure. Surficial cracks were observed on the wingwall. The slope is vegetated and effect of erosion on the slope face was not observed (August 28, 2015).



**Photograph 7:** Looking south at the piers of Oxford Road 55 Underpass Structure. Minor surficial cracks were observed on the piers (August 28, 2015).