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COUNTY ROAD #7

PARKS CREEK

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FOUNDATION CONDITIONS
PROPOSED RECONSTRUCTION OF PARKS CREEK BRIDGE
HASTINGS COUNTY ROAD #7, ONTARIO.

SITE 11-143
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Foundation Conditions
Proposed Reconstruction of Parks Creek Bridge
Hastings County Road #7, Ontario.

Dear Sirs,

As advised during a recent meeting, we have completed the survey of subsoil conditions at the site of this proposed new bridge over Parks Creek. The bridge is located between Lots 5 and 6, Concession VI, Township of Tyendinaga, County Hastings. Field work comprised two borings advanced into sound limestone bedrock, plus two associated dynamic cone penetration tests. A plan and section of the site is appended as Dwg. 1.

Our brief report of the survey follows:

1) SUBSOIL

1.1. The shallow valley of Parks Creek has been incised into a variable but generally quite competent series of silty clay or gravelly sand tilts laid down during the final

phases of the Wisconsin Glaciation. A thin cover of recent alluvium exists in the narrow flood plain to the south of the present creek channel.

1.2. Grey crystalline Trenton Limestone underlies the till a few feet below creek bed level, at approximately project Elevation 175-177 feet.

1.3. Existing bridge approach fills have been predominantly constructed with a mix of cohesive or clayey silt and silty sand and gravel.

1.4. Detailed soil descriptions and sampling information for the two test borings are given in Dwg. 2 and 3.

2) FOUNDATIONS

2.1. Spread footings designed to a safe allowable bearing pressure of 5 ksf can be established at any level in the glacial clay or sand till subsoil. However, a uniform founding level at project Elevation 180.0 is recommended, to provide a minimum 4 feet of scour protection below the bed of the creek.

2.2. Excavation for the abutment foundations should be protected along the streamward side with small earth-fill coffer dams. Water entering the excavations can be pumped out



from a system of peripheral collector ditches dug around the footing area. Alternatively, the excavation can be completed in the wet using a small dragline.

If the latter method is employed, dewatering would only be required during forming and pouring of the footing member.

2.3. Considerable assistance in the forming and construction of the abutment foundations would be provided by pouring a lean-mix concrete mat on the base of each excavation as soon as it has been cleaned out and dewatered.

2.4. Any tendency for the excavation sides to slough in under the strong seepage forces can be prevented by covering the cut faces with a coarse but well graded sand and gravel.

2.5. Because of the need for a small protective earth coffer dam around the streamward side of each abutment excavation, the two foundations must be constructed consecutively rather than at the same time. Each coffer dam will require a partial diversion or restriction of the creek channel.

2.6. Alternative consideration can be given to supporting the proposed structure on short timber or H piles driven to refusal on or close to bedrock. However, the design is not particularly recommended because of:-



- a) The shortness of the pile section involved.
- b) The need for additional sheet piling as scour protection unless the pile cap is founded four feet below creek bed level.
- c) The presence of adequately competent bearing subsoil at the same "creek-bed-minus-four-feet" level.

2.7. Settlements beneath the recommended spread footing design will be of a very small order and can be disregarded.

3) EARTH PRESSURES AND SLIDING RESISTANCE

3.1. Horizontal pressures exerted on the abutments by the retained fill and traffic surcharge and impact loadings can be determined at any depth from the expression:

$$p = K (\gamma h_1 + \gamma' h_2 + q)$$

where: $K = 0.35$ the recommended earth pressure coefficient

$\gamma = 130$ pcf, the estimated unit weight of retained fill

$\gamma' = 65$ pcf, the estimated submerged density of alluvial soil and fill material below the water level

h_1 = height of retained soil above the water table

h_2 = depth below the water table of the point under consideration

q = any surcharge, in psf

With free-draining backfill there will be no unbalanced water pressure on the back of the wall.



3.2. A friction coefficient of 0.65 should be used in computing the sliding resistance developed along the footing bases. If the resisting force is less than 2 times the estimated sliding force, the footing must be extended back beneath the fill to increase the sliding resistance.

4) APPROACH FILLS

4.1. No stability problem exists for either of the low approach embankments. The base soils are essentially granular.

4.2. Existing topsoil or noticeably organic-rich pockets along the sides of the existing fills should be removed prior to any widening and heightening. Additional fill materials should be placed in successive lifts not exceeding 10 to 12 inches thickness, with each layer compacted to not less than 95 percent of standard proctor density using a vibratory-type roller.

4.3. Both upstream and downstream side slopes adjacent to the abutments should be faced with 12 inches of well graded pit run gravel followed by 18 to 24 inches of stone riprap, for scour protection during periods of peak flood. Slope sections more than 50 feet back from the abutment faces should be turfed.



4.4. As indicated in section 3.1. above, the fill immediately behind the abutment walls should be of coarse granular character, to facilitate rapid equalization of hydrostatic pressures on either side of the walls during rapid flood level oscillations.

No further problems are anticipated.

This investigation was processed and completed through our Hamilton office during the period March 11th - 21st, 1966. We trust you will find the report and recommendations in order. If further queries should arise, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours very truly,

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SITE INVESTIGATIONS SOIL MECHANICS CONSULTATION

LEGEND

DRAWING NO. 2
PROJECT NO. H108

BOREHOLE NO. 1
PROJECT Bridge Replacement
LOCATION Parks Creek & Co. Rd. #7, Hastings County
HOLE LOCATION South side of Creek (see Dwg.1)
HOLE ELEVATION 191.1
DATUM Top of Bridge Seat, South end (see Dwg.1)

PENETRATION RESISTANCE

2" O.D. SPLIT TUBE —○—○—○—
2" I.D. SHELBY TUBE —+—+—+—+—
3" DIA. CONE —————

SHEAR STRENGTH

UNDRANED TRIAXIAL ⊕
AT OVERBURDEN PRESSURE ⊗
UNLOADED COMPRESSION ⊙
VANE TEST AND SENSITIVITY —S—†⁵

NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT AND LIQUIDITY INDEX

ATTERBERG LIMITS

LIQUID LIMIT —○—
PLASTIC LIMIT ———

SAMPLE TYPE

2" O.D. SPLIT TUBE ⊠
2" I.D. SHELBY TUBE ⊡
3" O.D. SHELBY TUBE ⊢

SYMBOL	SOIL DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET	DEPTH FEET	PENETRATION RESISTANCE				NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT AND ATTERBERG LIMITS (% DRY WEIGHT)	SAMPLE TYPE AND NO.	NATURAL UNIT WEIGHT PCF
				10	40	60	350 FT. LB. BLOWS/FT. 80			
	<u>FILL</u> - greyish brown silty sand and gravel to 45ft., very dense.	191.1	0							
	<u>ALLUVIUM</u> (or <u>FILL</u>) brown, silty clay, scattered trace organics & occasional sand & gravel. Firm, wet.	187.1	4						1	
	<u>CLAY</u> - silty; stiff, grey	186.7	5						2	
	<u>SAND & GRAVEL</u> - very hard	181.6	10						3	
	<u>LIMESTONE</u> - well bedded, hard, grey. Water loss in bedding plane at 18" 9"	178.1								
		175.1							4	
									AX	83%
									AX	81%
									AX	100%
									AX	30% *
	Terminated	165.0	30						Core Size Recovery	

Notes:

- Hole advanced by wash boring and rotary core drilling. Cased to 16ft.
- Cone located 5ft. south.
- Water encountered at 4ft.

* Core lost from core-barrel when pulling out.

Borehole 1

PENETRATION RESISTANCE

2 OD SPLIT TUBE ○ ○ ○
2 ID SHELBY TUBE * * * *
2 DIA LONE _____

SHEAR STRENGTH

UNGRAINED TRIAXIAL	⊕
AT OVERBURDEN PRESSURE	
UNCONFINED COMPRESSION	⊗
VANE TEST AND SENSITIVITY IS	+

NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT AND LIQUIDITY INDEX

ATTERBERG LIMITS

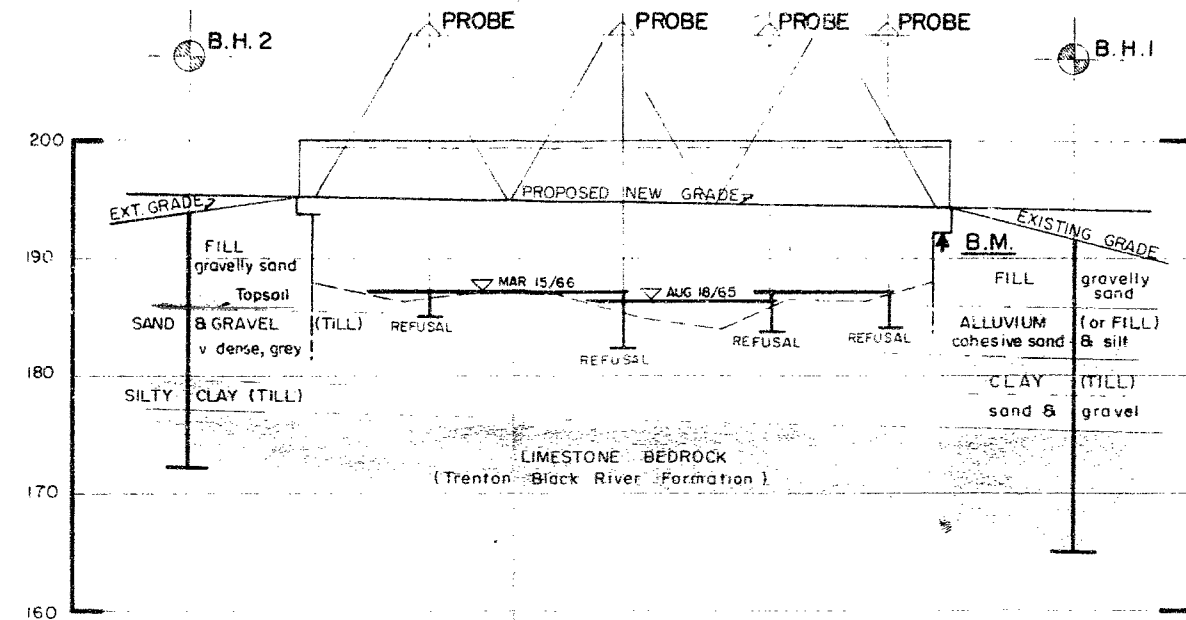
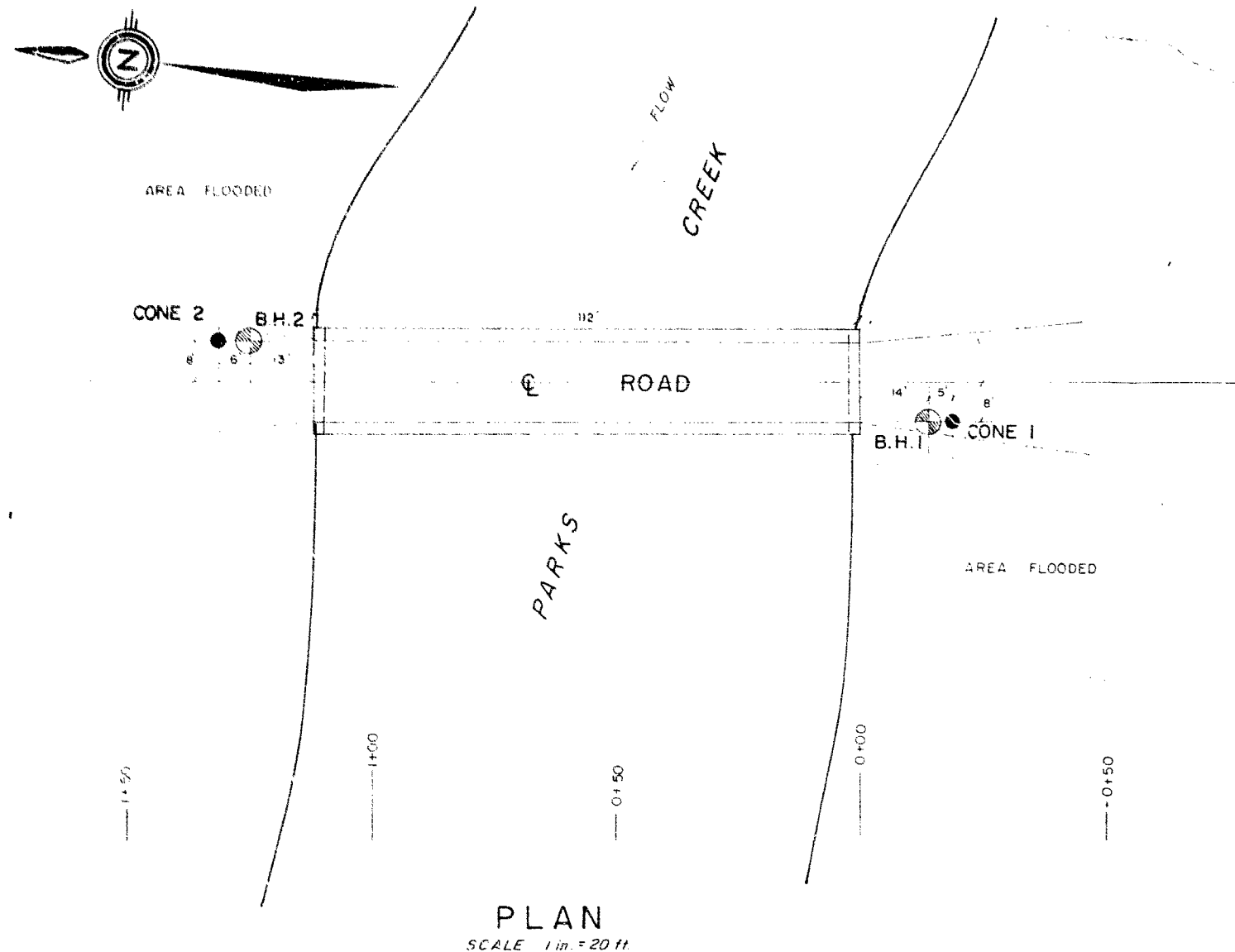
LIQUID LIMIT _____
PLASTIC LIMIT _____

SAMPLE TYPE

2' QD SPLIT TUBE
2' 1D SHELBY TUBE
3' QD SHELBY TUBE

BOREHOLE NO. 2
PROJECT Bridge Replacement
LOCATION Parks Creek & Co. Rd. #7, Hastings County
HOLE LOCATION North side of Creek (see Dwg.1)
HOLE ELEVATION 193.8
DATUM _____

SYMBOL	SOIL DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET	DEPTH FEET	PENETRATION RESISTANCE		350 FT. LB BLOWS/FT 80	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT AND ATTERBERG LIMITS		SAMPLE TYPE AND NO.	NATURAL UNIT WEIGHT P.C.F.
				20	40		60	% DRY WEIGHT		
		193.8	0							
	FILL - brown sand & gravel, some cohesive silt, compact to very dense, wet at 6ft.	187.8							1	
	ORGANIC TOPSOIL	186.3							2	
	SAND & GRAVEL - v.dense, silty, gray (glacial till)	185.8	10						3	
		179.3							4	
	CLAYEY SILT - grey, v.stiff	177.0							AX	95%
	LIMESTONE - grey, hard, crystalline, wall bedded. Water loss at 18'9"	172.0	20							
	Terminated									
Notes:										
1. Hole advanced by wash boring and rotary core drilling. Cased to 16ft. 9 inches.										
2. W.L. 6ft., approximately same as creek level.										
3. Cone located 6ft. north.										



B.M. Elev. 192.08

Top of bridge seat, south abutment

— NOTE —

The boundaries between soil strata have been established only at Bore Hole locations. Between Bore Holes the boundaries are assumed from geological evidence and may be subject to considerable error.

— NOTE —

Samples will be kept for 3 months from the date of this report unless otherwise directed.

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FOUNDATION INVESTIGATION

BRIDGE REPLACEMENT
COUNTY ROAD NO. 7 OVER PARKS CREEK
LOTS 5 & 6 CON. VI TWP. TYENDINAGA
COUNTY HASTINGS

PROJ. H 108

DATE MAR. 1966

DWG. No 1