

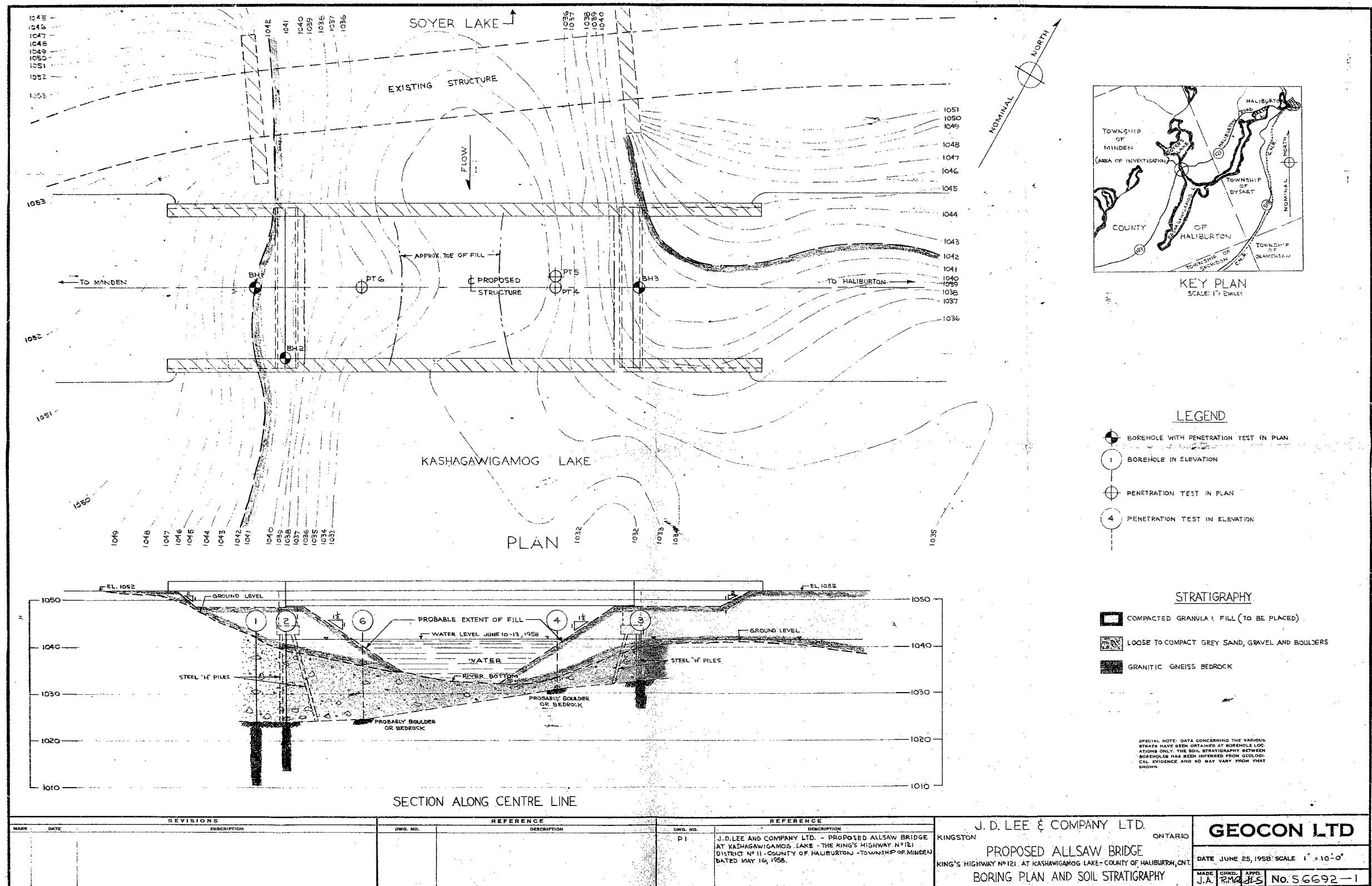
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REPORT

TO

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CONSULTING ENGINEERS

ON

SOIL CONDITIONS AND FOUNDATIONS

PROPOSED ALLSAW BRIDGE

KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE HIGHWAY 121

HALIBURTON ONTARIO

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Attention: Mr. J. S. Ellis, P. Eng.

Re: Site Investigation,  
Proposed Allsaw Bridge,  
Kashagawigamog Lake,  
Highway 121,  
Haliburton, Ontario.

Dear Sirs:

This letter reports the results of the above investigation carried out in accordance with our proposal dated June 2nd, 1958 and accepted on June 3rd, 1958. The object of this investigation was to determine and interpret the subsurface conditions at the above site, as they affect the design of foundations for the proposed bridge.

The site of the proposed bridge is located just south of the existing bridge structure on highway 121 at the narrow channel between Soyer and Kashagawigamog Lakes, about 7 miles southwest of Haliburton, Ontario. The ground level at the site varies from about elevation 1052 on the west bank of the channel to about elevation 1032 at the bottom of the channel.

The field work was carried out between June 9th and 13th, 1958, inclusive. Three boreholes with adjacent dynamic penetration tests and three additional dynamic penetration tests were put down to depths between 11 and 32 feet, using a skid-mounted machine drillrig. Four of the dynamic penetration tests and one of the boreholes were put down from a raft which



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was assembled at the site. Bedrock was proved in each of the three borings by core drilling in AXT size.

The locations of the borings and dynamic penetration tests together with a section of the inferred soil stratigraphy along the centre line of the proposed bridge are shown on Drawing S6692-1 attached at the rear of this report. A detailed log of each boring is given on the Office Reports on Soil Exploration in Appendix I.

The soil and rock samples obtained will be stored until January 1st, 1959 and will then be destroyed unless further instructions are received.

Elevations of the borings are referred to the centre of the road at the mid-point of the existing bridge. The elevation of this reference point as provided by J. D. Lee and Company is 1052.8 feet.

#### SOIL CONDITIONS

The principal soil strata encountered by the borings are as follows:

##### Grey Sand, Gravel and Boulders

A stratum of brown to grey medium to coarse sand, gravel and boulders forms the top layer at the site. The thickness of the stratum varies from about 5 feet in borehole 3 to about 18 feet in boreholes 1 and 2. The stratum consists chiefly of layers of fine to coarse gravel and medium to coarse sand with some cobbles and boulders distributed throughout. The sand and gravel sizes are chemically unweathered and very angular in shape. The individual sand grains and gravel sizes consist primarily of feldspar, quartz and amphibole probably derived from the underlying granitic bedrock by physical weathering. The lower 3 to 4 feet of the stratum consists predominantly of coarse gravel sizes with numerous granitic cobble and boulder sizes.

SOIL CONDITIONS (continued)

Grey Sand, Gravel and Boulders (continued)

Due to the presence of the gravel, cobble and boulder sizes, it was generally impossible to drive the sampler more than a few inches in the stratum and consequently only one standard penetration resistance or "N" value of 5 blows per foot was obtained for the determination of the relative density of the stratum. However, based on the results of the dynamic penetration tests and the "N" value of 5 blows per foot, it is considered that the relative density of the stratum is loose to compact. The erratic dynamic penetration resistances obtained are due to the cobbles and boulders present in the stratum.

Bedrock

Bedrock underlies the sand, gravel and boulder stratum. It consists of a sound durable banded granitic gneiss of Precambrian, Grenville age. Bedrock was proved by core drilling for up to 12 feet in boreholes 1, 2 and 3.

WATER CONDITIONS

Groundwater level was at river water level in all borings at the time of the investigation. The river level was at elevation 1042.7.

DISCUSSION

It is understood that the proposed bridge will be a single span structure approximately 70 feet long. It is further understood that both spread footings and pier foundations have been considered in preliminary design.

DISCUSSION (continued)

It is considered that the sand, gravel and boulder stratum is not a suitable bearing stratum for spread footing foundations because of its loose and erratic relative density.

Various alternative construction methods have been considered. Spread footings could be founded on compacted fill which will be required to bring the approach roads to final grade. A high degree of compaction of the fill would be required in order to minimize settlement and vibrations of the foundations under traffic loads. It is considered that this form of construction may be impractical.

Alternatively, spread footings or piers could be carried to bedrock, but it is considered that the construction and dewatering of a sheeted cofferdam would be uneconomical in comparison with a piled foundation.

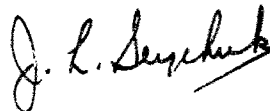
It is therefore recommended that the bridge be founded on steel H piles driven to bedrock. Resistance to driving may be encountered due to occasional boulders in the stratum, particularly near the base. Some of the piles may therefore have to be redriven or replaced if they become hung up on boulders before reaching approximate bedrock elevation. Bedrock is approximately at elevation 1024 in the area of boreholes 1 and 2, and at elevation 1033 in borehole 3. To give adequate lateral stability to the piles, the fill used for the approach roads should be placed to the required grade prior to driving of the piles. The approximate extent of the fill that will be required is shown on Drawing S6692-1. The fill should consist of a well-graded granular material and be well compacted during placing. It is further recommended that the footings capping the piles be provided with a minimum of 4 feet of earth cover for adequate frost protection.

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We believe that this letter report gives all the information necessary to enable you to proceed with the design of the proposed bridge. If however, we can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours very truly,

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. L. Seychuk". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

J. L. Seychuk, P. Eng.,  
Senior Soils Engineer.

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APPENDIX I

OFFICE REPORTS ON SOIL EXPLORATION

## EXPLANATION OF THE FORM "OFFICE REPORT ON SOIL EXPLORATION"

The object of this form is to enable a comprehensive study of the soil to be made by combining on one sheet all of the information obtained from the boring. An explanation of the various columns of the report follows.

### ELEVATION AND DEPTH

This column gives the elevation and depth of boundaries between the various soil strata. The elevation is referred to the datum shown in the general heading.

### WATER CONDITIONS

In this column the water level in the casing at the time of boring or the water table in the ground, determined by a series of observations in a piezometer or standpipe, is indicated to scale by a horizontal line with the symbol W.L. or W.T. above the line. A notation of any complicated groundwater conditions will be made in this column.

### DESCRIPTION

A description of the soil, using standard terminology, is contained in this column. The consistency of cohesive soils and the relative density of non-cohesive soils are described by the following terms:

<u>Consistency</u>	<u>U-Strength Tons/sq. ft.</u>	<u>Relative Density</u>	<u>Standard Penetration Resistance, Blows/ft.</u>
Very soft	0.03 to 0.25	Very loose	0 to 4
Soft	0.25 to 0.5	Loose	4 to 10
Firm	0.5 to 1.0	Compact	10 to 30
Stiff	1.0 to 2.0	Dense	30 to 50
Very stiff	2.0 to 4.0	Very dense	over 50
Hard	over 4.0		

### STRATIGRAPHIC PLOT

The stratigraphic plot follows the standard symbols of the National Research Council, Canada.

### ELEVATION SCALE

The information in all columns is plotted to a true elevation scale which is shown in this column.

### GRAPHS

The main body of the report forms a graph which is used to plot to correct elevation the important soil properties which are obtained through field and laboratory tests. The scales and symbols for the plotting are shown at the head of the column.

### OTHER TESTS

In this column are shown, by symbol, the other field or laboratory tests which have been performed on the soil and for which the results have not been plotted on the above graph.

### SAMPLES

The first three columns describe the condition, type and number of each sample obtained from the boring. The location and extent of each sample is plotted to scale.

In the last column is shown the penetration resistance in blows of 4200 inch-pounds required to drive one foot of the sampler into the ground. When a 2 inch Drive Sampler is used the result obtained is termed the "Standard Penetration Resistance".

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CONTRACT 56622 BORING # 1 & 2 DATUM GEODETIC CASING BX  
 BORING DATE JUNE 9, 1958 REPORT DATE JUNE 26, 1958 COMPILED BY J.A. CHECKED BY R.Q.  
 SAMPLER HAMMER WT. 140 LBS. DROP 30 INCHES (PENETRATION RESISTANCES CONVERTED TO BLOWS OF 4200 IN - LBS. ENERGY)

### SAMPLE CONDITION



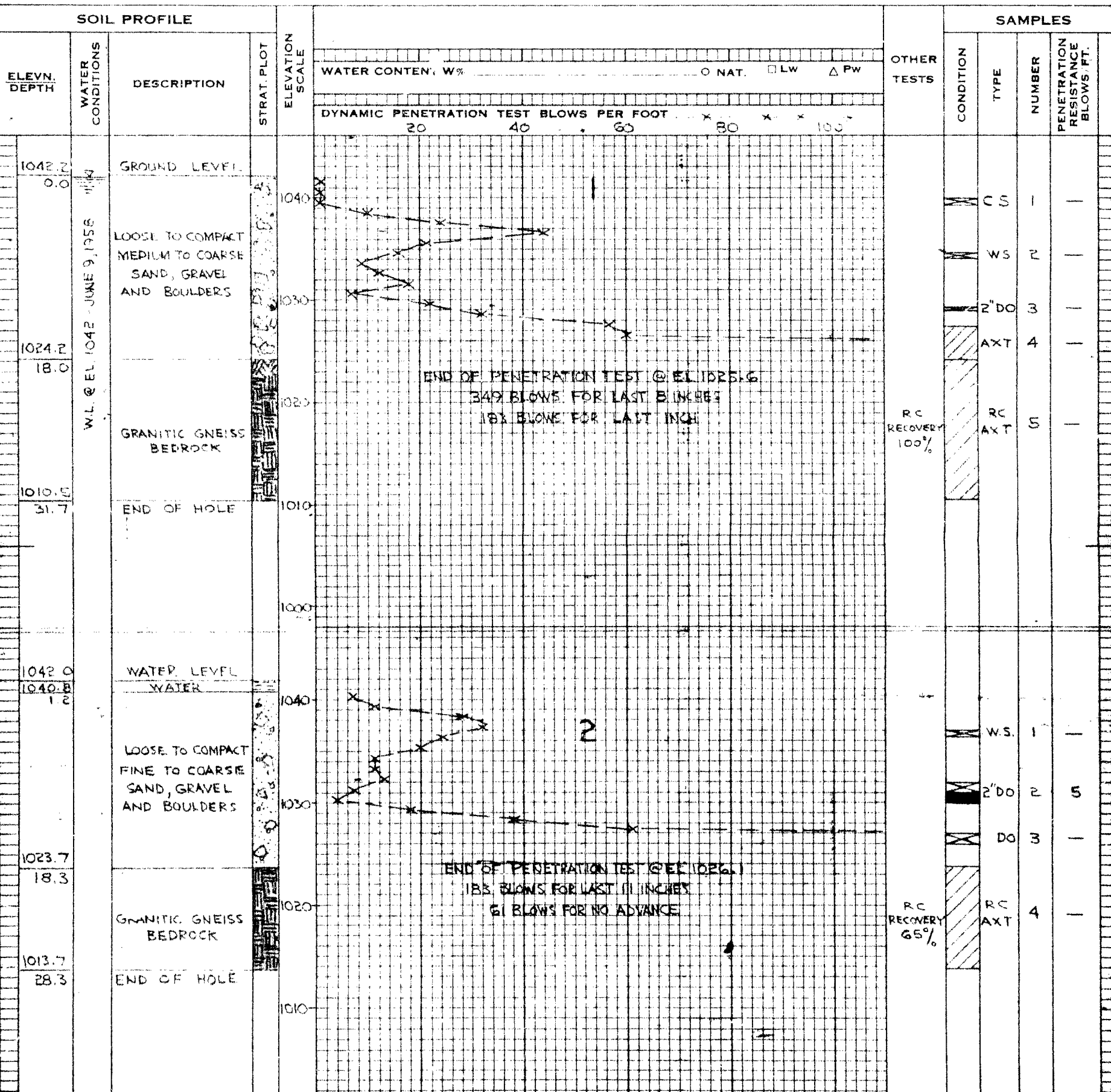
### SAMPLE TYPES

A.S. - AUGER SAMPLE  
 S.T. - SLOTTED TUBE  
 W.S. - WASHED SAMPLE  
 D.O. - DRIVE-OPEN  
 D.F. - DRIVE-FOOT VALVE  
 C.S. - CHUNK SAMPLE  
 F.S. - FOIL SAMPLE  
 S.O. - SLEEVE-OPEN  
 S.F. - SLEEVE-FOOT VALVE  
 T.O. - THIN WALLED OPEN  
 R.C. - ROCK CORE

### ABBREVIATIONS

V - IN-SITU VANE TEST  
 M - MECHANICAL ANALYSIS  
 U - UNCONFINED COMPRESSION  
 QC - TRIAXIAL CONSOLIDATED QUICK  
 Q - TRIAXIAL QUICK  
 S - TRIAXIAL SLOW  
 γ - WET UNIT WEIGHT  
 K - PERMEABILITY  
 C - CONSOLIDATION  
 WL - WATER LEVEL IN CASING  
 WT - WATER TABLE IN SOIL

### SOIL PROFILE



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## OFFICE REPORT ON SOIL EXPLORATION

APPEX I

CONTRACT 56692 BORING # 3 DATUM GEODETIC CASING BX  
 BORING DATE JUNE 12, 1958 REPORT DATE JUNE 26, 1958 COMPILED BY J.A. CHECKED BY R.Q.  
 SAMPLER HAMMER WT. 140 LBS. DROP 30 INCHES (PENETRATION RESISTANCES CONVERTED TO BLOWS OF 4200 IN - LBS. ENERGY)

### SAMPLE CONDITION

 DISTURBED  
 FAIR  
 GOOD  
 LOST

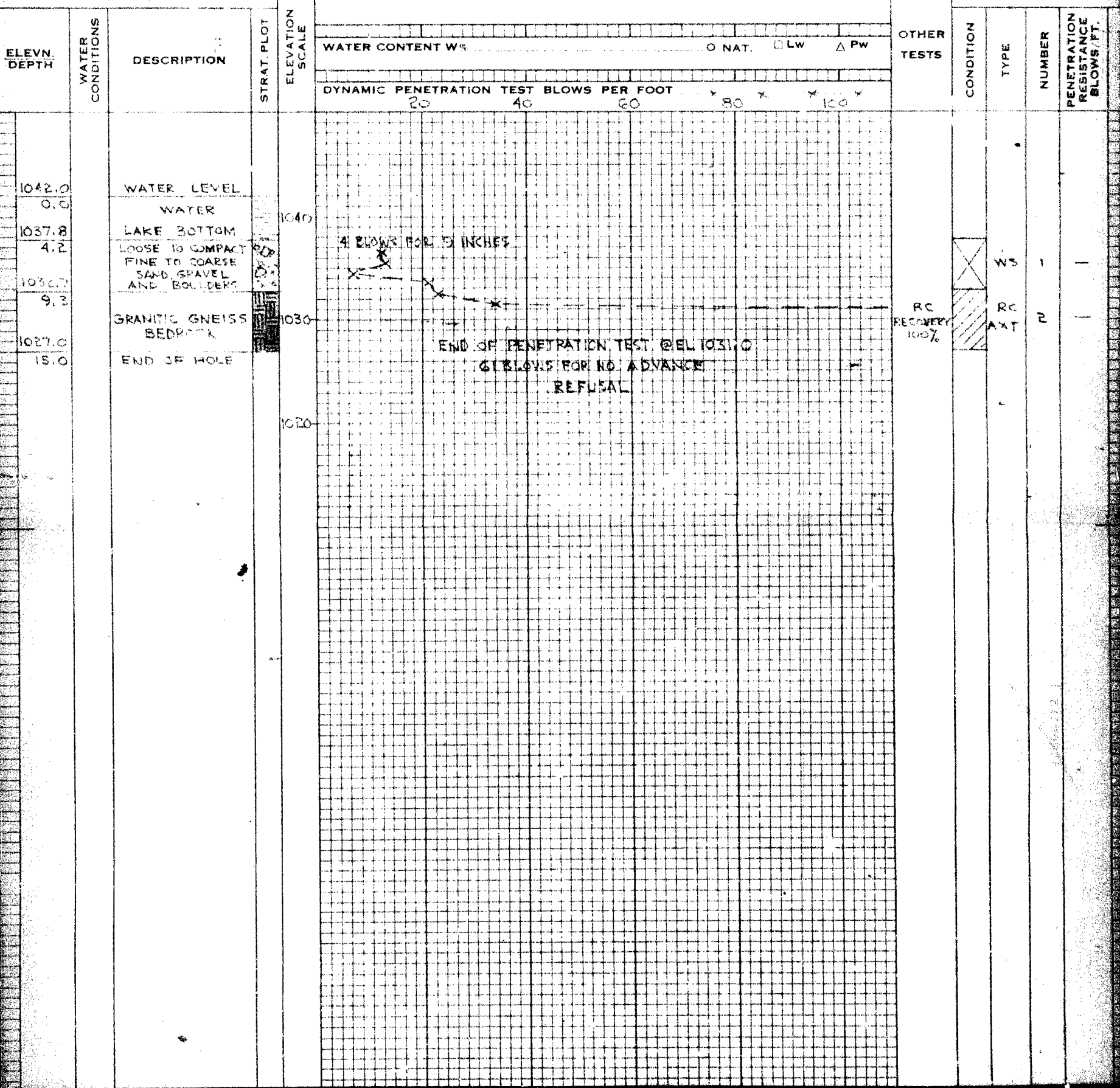
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 D.F. - DRIVE-FOOT VALVE R.C. - ROCK CORE  
 C.S. - CHUNK SAMPLE

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 S - TRIAXIAL SLOW

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PENETRATION TESTS **APPENDIX I**

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 BORING DATE JUNE 13, 1958 REPORT DATE JUNE 26, 1958 COMPILED BY J.A. CHECKED BY R.Q.  
 SAMPLER HAMMER WT. 410 LBS. DROP 12 1/2 INCHES (PENETRATION RESISTANCES CONVERTED TO BLOWS OF 4200 IN - LBS. ENERGY)

### SAMPLE CONDITION



A.S. - AUGER SAMPLE  
 S.T. - SLOTTED TUBE  
 W.S. - WASHED SAMPLE  
 D.O. - DRIVE-OPEN  
 D.F. - DRIVE-FOOT VALVE  
 C.S. - CHUNK SAMPLE

### SAMPLE TYPES

F.S. - FOIL SAMPLE  
 S.O. - SLEEVE-OPEN  
 S.F. - SLEEVE-FOOT VALVE  
 T.O. - THIN WALLED OPEN  
 R.C. - ROCK CORE

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### SAMPLES

