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LOCATION CANNING RD & C.N.R
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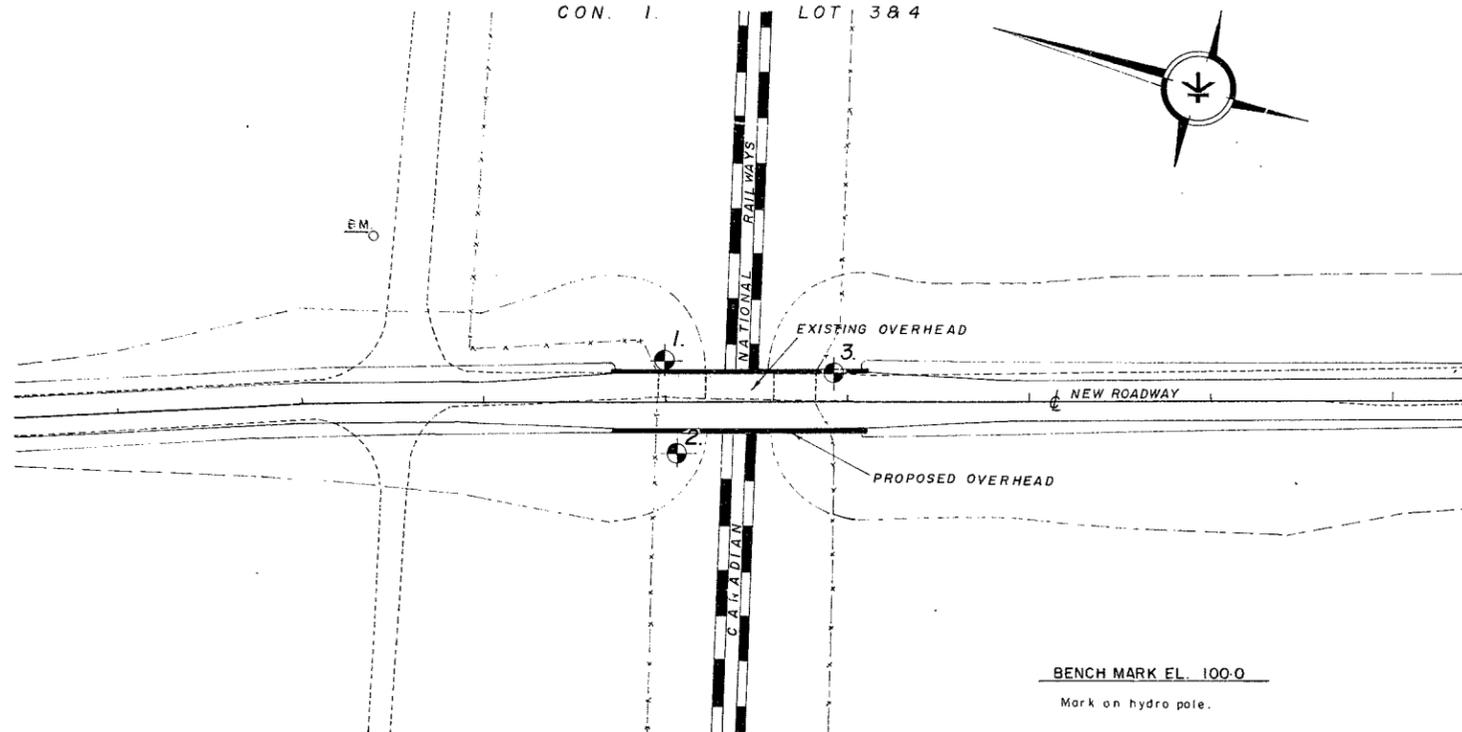
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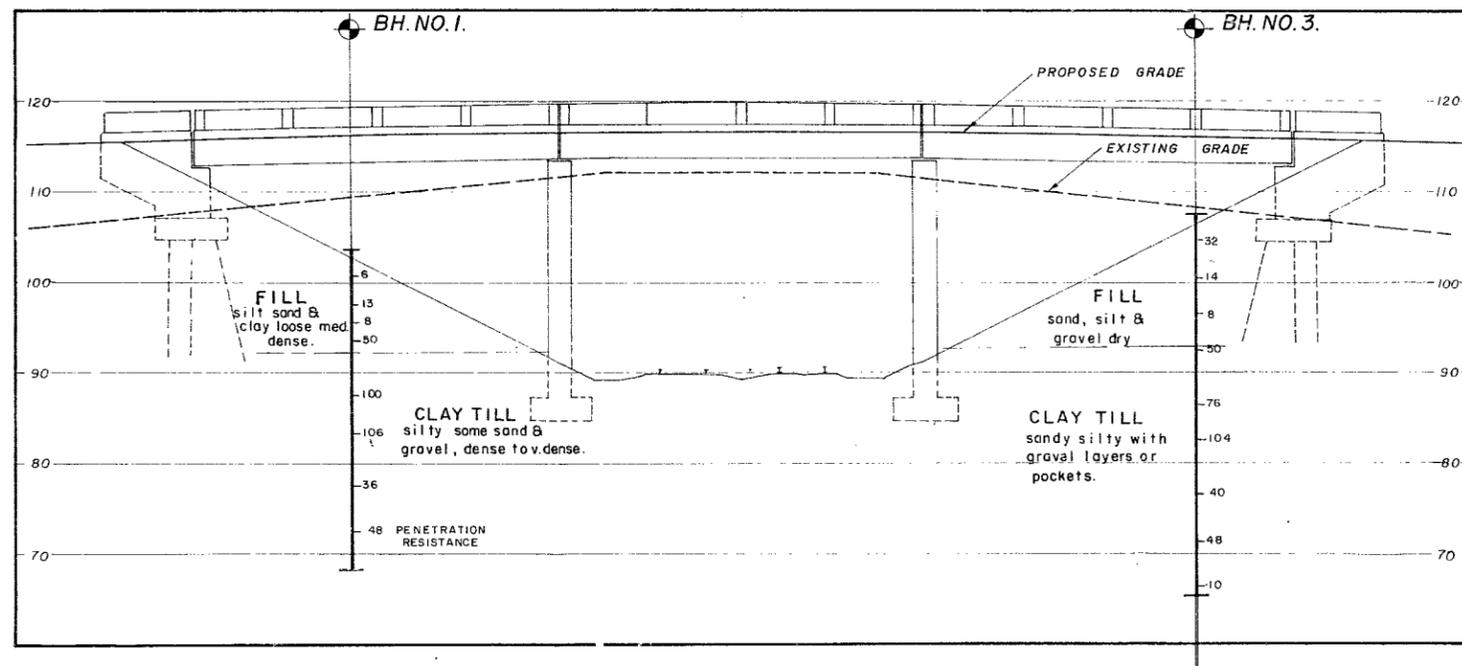
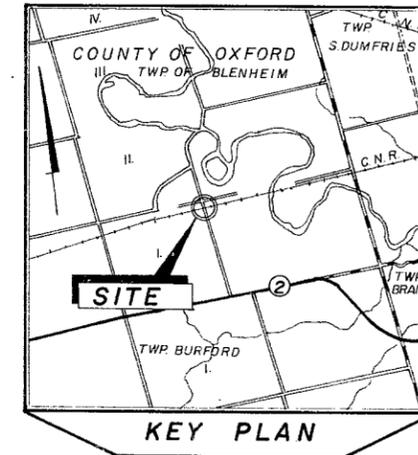
COUNTY OF OXFORD TOWNSHIP OF BLENHEIM

CON. 1. LOT 3 & 4



BORE HOLE LOCATION PLAN

SCALE 1"=50'



PROFILE

SCALE 1"=10'

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

WILLIAM A. TROW AND ASSOCIATES LIMITED		
FOUNDATION INVESTIGATION		
PROPOSED C.N.R. OVERHEAD		
CO. OXFORD	TWP. BLENHEIM	ONTARIO
PROJECT NO. J. 1799	DATE FEB. 1965	DWG. NO. 1.



- 3) No problems associated with ground water, settlement or stability of approach embankments are present. Comments related to possible earth pressures have been given in the body of this report.

These comments have resulted after consideration of the following details:-

THE SITE

The proposed overhead is located just north of Highway No. 2 on the Canning Side Road near Paris, Ontario. The area immediately adjacent to this site is flat and used for agricultural purposes. The site is presently occupied by a single lane wooden structure of dubious carrying capacity. Proposed plans will replace the existing structure with a simply supported three span structure incorporating spill through type abutments.

FIELD WORK AND SUBSOIL STRATIGRAPHY

The field work at this site comprised three sample boreholes located as shown on Drawing No. 1. Original plans called for four borings, however the field information was considered adequate, because of the dense nature of the subsoil, after the completion of the third hole. Boreholes were advanced, using Standard diamond drill soil sampling equipment. Water for advancing the boreholes was carried from a nearby river as no water was available on site. Samples of the subsoil were obtained using split spoon type samplers.



Detailed information as to the subsoil encountered in the borings has been included in the borehole logs Drawings 2 and 4 and in summary form on the estimated subsoil stratigraphy Drawing No. 1. The borehole logs also contain, in graphical form, the results of laboratory testing. Borehole elevations have been referenced to the bench mark as shown on Drawing No. 1.

The subsoil at this site can be described in general terms as a silt or clay till. This till is in a dense state and is variable in composition. In some areas pockets or seams of sand and gravel were encountered, while layering of clay and silt was also common. Ground water observations taken during the investigation and confirmed by the piezometer (standpipe) installed in Borehole No. 3 place ground water level below elevation ± 75 .

FOUNDATIONS

Because of the preference for the spill through type abutment, both pile and spread type footings may be used on this project. Each type is discussed separately.

- (a) Spread Footings: Foundations consisting of simple spread footings may be used to support the central piers, and also the abutment provided the retaining type abutment is used. These foundations should be designed using a safe net bearing pressure of 5 tsf and should be founded at or below elevation 90.0. Footings will be required below this elevation in the vicinity of the railway track. The bearing value has been determined from an empirical relationship * between the permissible bearing pressure and the penetration resistance of the soil.

* Gibb & Holtz, 1957 'Research on Determining the Density of Sand by Spoon Penetration Testing' - 4th Int. Conf. S.M.F.E., London.



No ground water problems associated with the excavation for these footings will be experienced at this site.

The settlement of spread footings will be insignificant, being composed of the elastic compression of the subsoil. The amount of total elastic settlement will depend on the sequence of construction. If the approach fills are completed after the bridge is in place, the settlement will be a maximum; however, this settlement will not exceed 1/2 inch. This is confirmed by the low moisture content and high in-place density of the subsoil.

- (b) Piled Footings: Piles may be selected to support spill through type abutments. In this case steel tube piles 12" in diameter and concrete filled should be used. These piles should meet refusal within 5 feet of contacting the dense till, i.e. at or near elevation \pm 88. Borehole No. 1 indicates that little driving resistance will be experienced driving through the existing fill prior to reaching this level, however Hole No. 3 does not support this conclusion. The high resistance in Hole 3 is attributed to stones or dense pockets in the fill which should have little effect on the driving of the piles. Piles must not be stopped in the fill but driven to or below elevation 92.0. Piles driven to refusal in the till can be designed to carry a safe load of 50 tons/pile. This value considers the bearing capacity of the soil and the strength of the pile as a short column.

EARTH PRESSURES

If earth retaining type abutments are selected, they must be designed to withstand the earth pressure from the retained earth.



It is suggested for the simply supported type structure that the earth pressure co-efficient to be used in calculations equal 0.25. This co-efficient assumes a slight yield of the abutment if compaction is such that earth pressures tend to approach the at rest condition. For rigid frame structures and well compacted backfill, the design co-efficient should be increased to 0.35. With adequate drainage facilities the earth pressure p at any given depth h can be determined from the expression:-

$$p = K\gamma h + Kq$$

- where K = the appropriate earth pressure co-efficient
- γ = 130 pcf the estimated unit weight of backfill material
- q = the value of any surcharge (in psf) acting near the abutment.

APPROACH FILLS

Because of the dense nature of the subsoil, no problems associated with stability of the approach fills are present. These fills should be constructed with standard procedures and incorporate 2:1 side slopes.

It is hoped that these comments will assist in the design of the foundations for the structure. If we can be of further assistance please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours very truly,

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SITE INVESTIGATIONS · SOIL MECHANICS CONSULTATION

DRAWING No. 2.
PROJECT No. J1799.

LEGEND

BOREHOLE NO. 1.
PROJECT Proposed Overhead.
LOCATION Canning Road.
HOLE LOCATION See Dwg. 1.
HOLE ELEVATION 102.8 ft.
DATUM See Dwg. 1.

PENETRATION RESISTANCE

2" O.D. SPLIT TUBE 
2" I.D. SHELBY TUBE 
2" DIA. CONE 

SHEAR STRENGTH

UNDRAINED TRIAXIAL AT OVERBURDEN PRESSURE 
UNCONFINED COMPRESSION 
VANE TEST AND SENSITIVITY (S) 

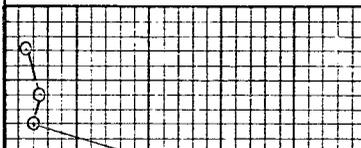
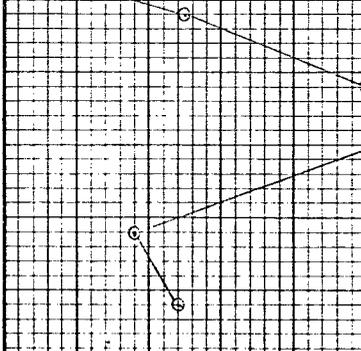
NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT AND LIQUIDITY INDEX 

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 P.C.F.
				20	40			
		102.8	0	SHEAR STRENGTH P.S.F.				
	FILL-SILT-sand and clay, upper 4' contain topsoil, loose to medium dense, brown.							
	CLAY FILL-silty, with some sand and gravel, dense to very dense, brown. Some areas of layered silt and clay.	92.3	10					
	End of Borehole							
Notes:	1) Hole advanced cased for full depth using conventional drilling equipment. 2) Water level at 7' on completion (not representative)							

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SITE INVESTIGATIONS · SOIL MECHANICS CONSULTATION

DRAWING No. 3.
PROJECT No. J 1799.

LEGEND

BOREHOLE No. 2.
PROJECT Proposed Overhead.
LOCATION Canning Road,
HOLE LOCATION See Dwg. 1.
HOLE ELEVATION 95.65 ft.
DATUM See Dwg. 1.

PENETRATION RESISTANCE
2" O.D. SPLIT TUBE —○—○—○—
2" I.D. SHELBY TUBE —x—x—x—x—
2" DIA. CONE ————
Shear Strength
UNDRAINED TRIAXIAL AT OVERBURDEN PRESSURE ⊕
UNCONFINED COMPRESSION ⊗
VANE TEST AND SENSITIVITY (S) †

NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT AND LIQUIDITY INDEX X LI
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 350 FT. LB. BLOWS/FT.				NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT AND ATTERBERG LIMITS % DRY WEIGHT	SAMPLE TYPE AND No	NATURAL UNIT W'IGHT P.C.F.		
				20	40	60	80				10 20 30	
	Black Organic Silt	95.7	0									
	CLAY TILL-silty sandy, gravelly dense - very dense brown some gravel seams or pockets noted.	92.7	10									
	End of Bore	68.7	30							135		
Notes:	1) Hole advanced cased for full depth using conventional drilling equipment. 2) No water noted.											

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SITE INVESTIGATIONS - SOIL MECHANICS CONSULTATION

DRAWING No. 4
PROJECT No. J1799

LEGEND

BOREHOLE No. 3.
PROJECT Proposed Overhead.
LOCATION Canning Road.
HOLE LOCATION See Dwg. 1.
HOLE ELEVATION 107.4 ft.
DATUM See Dwg. 1.

PENETRATION RESISTANCE

2" O.D. SPLIT TUBE 
2" I.D. SHELBY TUBE 
2" DIA. CONE 

SHEAR STRENGTH

UNDRAINED TRIAXIAL AT OVERBURDEN PRESSURE 
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NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT AND LIQUIDITY INDEX

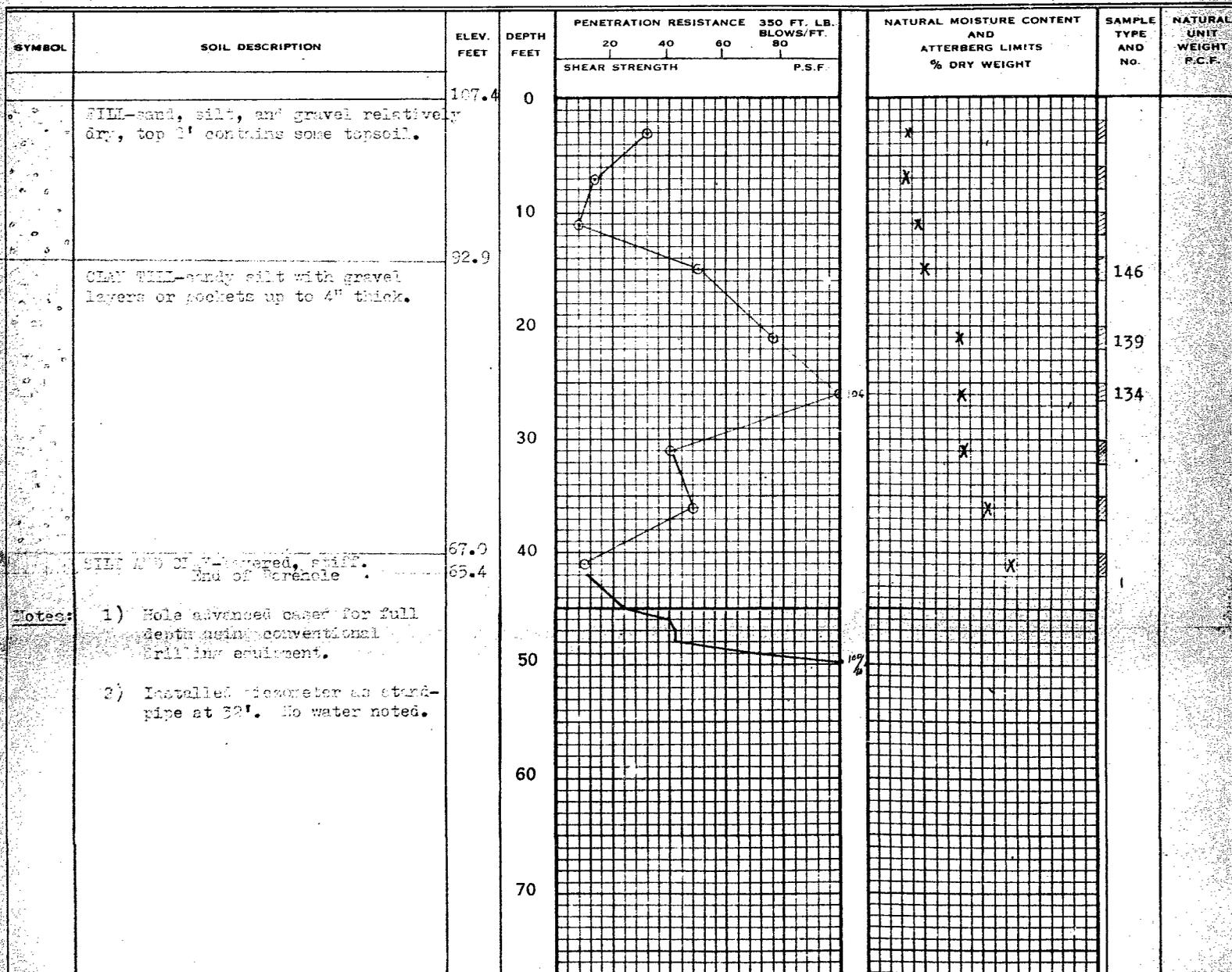
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ATTERBERG LIMITS

LIQUID LIMIT 
PLASTIC LIMIT 

SAMPLE TYPE

2" O.D. SPLIT TUBE 
2" I.D. SHELBY TUBE 
3" O.D. SHELBY TUBE 



- Notes:
- 1) Hole advanced easier for full depth using conventional drilling equipment.
 - 2) Installed piezometer as stand-pipe at 32'. No water noted.