



**Foundation Investigation and Design Report  
Culvert Replacement, Knife Creek  
Station 15+640, Township of Dahl, Algoma District  
Highway 17**

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## **Part A - FOUNDATION INVESTIGATION REPORT**

### **1 Introduction**

TBT Engineering Limited (TBTE) has been retained by the Ministry of Transportation Northeastern Region (MTO) to provide a foundation investigation and design services for the proposed culvert replacement at station 15+640, Township of Dahl, district of Algoma. The site is located within the boundaries of Obatanga Provincial Park, approximately 37.6 km east of the junction of Highway 17 and Highway 631 (White River). The site coordinates are as follows:

- Latitude: 48.331565°
- Longitude: -85.027971°

This project has been assigned Geocres No. 42C-041 and structural site number 38C-154/C.

The foundation investigation was conducted to provide subsurface data to for stability analysis of finished grade and safe excavation slopes, provide commentary on conceptual cofferdam design and roadway protection measures, and for replacement recommendations including but not limited to lateral earth pressures, foundation types (deep and shallow) and associated ULS resistances and SLS reactions.

A total of eight boreholes were advanced for this investigation. Two boreholes were advanced through the embankment at the culvert location, three at the inlet and three at the outlet (two of the boreholes at each end of the culvert were at potential cofferdam locations). All borehole locations were determined through consultation with the MTO. This report (Part A) describes the subsurface conditions encountered during the investigation.

## 2 Site Description

The foundation investigation was conducted to investigate subsurface conditions at the culvert located at station 15+640 Township of Dahl, Algoma District. Knife creek flows through triple structural corrugated steel culverts beneath an embankment that crosses low lying terrain. As provided in the terms of reference, the three culverts are 2.7 m wide x 25 m long, with approximate 1.5m of cover. The maximum height of the embankment is approximately 2.0 m. The culvert inverts on the right are typically 416.1, and 416.3 on the left. Based on survey data provide the creek level was measured at elevation 417.6 m.

**Photo 2.1 – Near Station 15+640, Facing South**



**Photo 2.2 – Near Station 15+640, Facing North**



## **2.1 Surficial Geology**

Available surficial geology mapping (OGS NOEGTS Map 5096 – Pukaskwa River) indicates the site is located along the boundary between organic and rock knob terrain. The organic terrain is over a sand outwash plain with mainly low local relief with wet drainage. TBTE’s investigation encountered silt beneath organic material in the “greenfield” borehole locations. The rock knob terrain has areas of till ground moraine and peat organic terrain, with moderate dry relief. Bedrock outcrops were observed roughly 400 m east of the site, and organic terrain was observed west and north of the site.

## **3 Investigation Procedures**

A geotechnical site investigation was undertaken between September 20 and October 3, 2016. A total of 8 boreholes were advanced during the field investigation. The borehole locations and depths were determined through conversations with the MTO and are illustrated on the Borehole Location Plan found in Appendix C.

The borehole locations were identified in the field by TBTE personnel and service clearances were completed prior to mobilizing the drill rig to site. The boreholes were advanced using a track mounted drill rig, equipped with hollow stem augers and a cat head used conduct Standard Penetration Testing (SPT). Soil samples were obtained at the boreholes from the auger flights and using a split spoon sampler as a part of the SPT. Rock cores were obtained using NQ diamond coring techniques.

All aspects of implementation of geotechnical test holes (were completed in accordance with the Ministry of Environment Regulation 903, as amended by Regulation 128/03. Boreholes on the road surface were capped with cold mix asphalt upon decommissioning.

Borehole locations were surveyed by TBTE and were referenced to elevations provided on MTO Plate No. 692-17/13-0 WP 267-90-00 Station 15+500 to 16+200 Surveyed September 1994 TWP of Dalh. The provided MTO Plate drawing is based on NAD 83 CSRS MTM Zone 13, and Canadian Geodetic Vertical Datum CGVD28.

#### **4 Laboratory Testing**

Samples which were obtained during the field investigation were subjected to routine laboratory testing. The routine testing included moisture content, liquid and plastic limit tests, and grain size analysis. The results of this testing are shown on the Borehole Logs (Appendix A and on the laboratory data reports Appendix B). In order to classify the bedrock with respect to strength, point load tests were carried out on select rock cores.

In addition to routine testing, a single sample (BH2, SS4) was selected for analytical laboratory testing. Analytical tests performed included conductivity, moisture content, pH, Redox Potential, resistivity, chloride, sulphide and sulphate testing. Test results are included with Appendix B, laboratory test data and summarized on Table 5.1.

#### **5 Subsurface Conditions**

Details of the subsurface conditions are provided on the test hole logs (Appendix A), and on the Soil Strata Drawings (Appendix C).

The subsurface soils at this site typically consist of organics or fill over silt overlying bedrock. Bedrock was sampled when encountered.

### **5.1 Asphalt**

Asphalt was encountered at the surface of Boreholes 1 and 2. Boreholes 1 and 2 were advanced through the roadway embankment. The asphalt was 75 mm thick.

### **5.2 Organic Material**

Organic material was encountered at the surface of Boreholes 6 and 8, and extended to a depth of 1.6 and 1.4 m, (elev. 416.5 m) respectively. The organic material is in a very loose condition as indicated by “N” values of 2 and 3 blows/0.3 m. The natural moisture content of this material ranges from 50 % to 183%.

### **5.3 Granular Fill**

Granular embankment fill, comprised of gravels and sands with occasional cobbles, was encountered beneath the asphalt at Boreholes 1 and 2. The fill extended to depths of 2.2 and 2.3 m (elev. 417.4 and 417.5 m respectively). Two samples were selected for grain size distribution testing. The test results indicated a grain size distribution of 7 to 58% gravel, 38 to 70% sand, and 4 to 23% silt/clay sized particles. Numerous cobbles were noted in Borehole 1. The material is in a dense to very dense condition as indicated by “N” values ranging from 36 to 100+ blows/0.3 m.

### **5.4 Sand**

A sand layer was encountered beneath the fill at Borehole 1 and beneath the organic material at Borehole 8. The sand had a thickness of 0.7 and 1.5 m, extending to elevations of 416.7 and 415 m at Boreholes 1 and 8, respectively. The material is in a very loose to compact condition as indicated by “N” values ranging from 3 to 19 blows/0.3 m. A single sample was selected for grain size distribution testing. The test results indicated a grain size distribution of 15 % gravel, 74 % sand, and 11 % silt/clay sized particles.

### **5.5 Silt**

Silt was encountered beneath the embankment fill at Borehole 2, the organics at Borehole 6, the sand at Boreholes 1 and 8 and at the surface of Boreholes 3, 4, 5, and 7. The silt extended to auger refusal at depths ranging from 7.5 to 9.5 m (elev. 409.0 to 411.1 m) on the north side of the highway (at Boreholes 1, 3, 4 and 5). The thickness of the silt was unknown at Boreholes 2, 6, 7 and 8 as these boreholes terminated within the silt stratum at depths ranging from 10.6 to 12.7 m (elev. 406.7 to 407.5 m). Sixteen samples were selected for grain size distribution testing. The test results indicated a grain size distribution of 0 to 21% gravel, 0 to 34% sand, and 62 to 100% silt/clay sized particles. The material is in a very loose to very dense condition

as indicated by “N” values ranging from 1 to 90 blows/0.3 m. Six samples were selected for Atterberg limit testing, and all samples were found to be non-plastic (silt).

A sample of this material from Borehole 2 was submitted for corrosivity and conductivity testing, detailed results are provided in Appendix B. The results are summarized as follows:

**Table 5.1: Analytical Testing Results**

Test	Unit	Result
Conductivity	mS/cm	0.362
Moisture	%	12.1
Acidity/Basicity	pH	7.78
Redox Potential	mV	123
Resistivity	ohm*cm	2760
Chloride	ppm	91.8
Sulphide (as S)	mg/kg	<0.2
Sulphate	ppm	42

## 5.6 Bedrock

Bedrock was confirmed below the silt at Boreholes 1, 3, 4 and 5 (elevations 410.2m, 409.9m, 411.1m, and 409.0m, respectively). Generally, the bedrock encountered was un-weathered, grey and white gneiss. Detailed bedrock core logs and photos are provided as Appendix D.

In order to classify the bedrock with respect to strength, 12-point load tests were completed on selected core samples. The test results are tabulated below:

**Table 5-2: Estimated Uniaxial Compressive Strength of Bedrock**

Borehole	Test depth from ground surface (m)	Test Elevation (m)	*Estimated Uniaxial Compressive Strength (MPa)
1	9.7	410.0	393
1	10.7	409.0	519
1	11.8	407.9	448
3	9.0	409.0	404
3	10.5	407.5	527
3	11.1	406.9	432

4	8.7	409.9	493
4	9.2	409.4	450
4	10.5	408.1	156
5	9.8	408.6	407
5	10.6	407.8	246
5	12.1	406.3	503

*\* Estimated based on published correlations with point load testing*

Based on the estimated uniaxial compressive strength of the intact rock, the bedrock is generally extremely strong (uniaxial compressive strengths greater than 250 MPa). Two occurrences of very strong (100 to 250 MPa) rock were at Borehole 4 at 10.5m, and Borehole 5 at 10.6m.

The rock quality designation (RQD) is an indirect measure of the number of fractures and the amount of jointing in the rock mass. The RQD is expressed as a percentage of the ratio of the summed core lengths (greater than 100 mm) to the total length cored. The RQD index is used to provide a classification for the rock quality according to the following limits.

**Table 5-3: RQD / Rock Quality Designation**

RQD (%)	Rock Quality
0 – 25	Very Poor
25 – 50	Poor
50 – 75	Fair
75 – 90	Good
90 – 100	Excellent

The RQD measured over the core lengths ranged from 93 to 100% indicating the rock quality is excellent.

## 6 Ground Water

Groundwater levels were measured upon completion of drilling operations and are summarized in the table below. Groundwater levels will vary from season to season and from the effects of heavy precipitation events.

**Table 6.1: Groundwater Levels**

Borehole	Groundwater Depth (m)	Groundwater Elevation (m)	Date Measured
4	1.1	417.5	Sept 28, 2016
5	1.6	416.8	Sept 29, 2016
6	1.0	417.1	Sept 30, 2016
7	1.0	417.1	Oct 2, 2016
8	1.2	416.7	Oct 3, 2016

## 7 Miscellaneous

Laboratory testing was completed at the TBT Engineering laboratory in Thunder Bay. The drill equipment for this investigation was operated by TBT Engineering Limited. The field operations were supervised by Walter Mainville. Laboratory testing was supervised by T. Fummerton C.E.T. This report was prepared by Craig Johnson, P.Eng and Steven Seller, P.Eng, and reviewed by W. Hurley, P.Eng (TBTE designated principal contact identified for MTO Foundation Engineering projects).

## **Part B - FOUNDATION DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **8 Introduction**

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The purpose of this section of the report (Part B) is to provide embankment design recommendations for staging and culvert replacement. These are based on the conditions encountered at the borehole locations, TBTE's interpretation of the subsurface conditions at the site and analyses of embankment stability.

## **9 Structure Foundations**

Multiple foundation systems have been considered for the proposed culvert replacement. The foundation systems considered were:

- Closed Bottom Culverts
- Spread Footings on Native Soil
- Spread Footings on Rock Fill
- Driven Piles or Sheet Piles

Design recommendations for viable foundation systems are presented below in Table 9.1 based on the subsurface conditions encountered on site and the existing embankment profile.

Unless noted otherwise, foundation design parameters are given for static, vertically and concentrically loaded foundations in compression.

### **9.1 Initial Review of Foundation Options**

Several options for the proposed culvert replacement were reviewed from a foundations perspective and are presented in below. Options reviewed address closed bottom culverts, open footing culverts and a sheet pile structure.

**Table 9.1: Foundation Options**

Option		Advantages	Disadvantages	Comment
Closed Bottom Culvert(s)	Typical, steel or concrete culvert with appropriate bedding. Similar to existing culvert.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- least costly option</li> <li>- less excavation required than open footing culvert options</li> <li>- least construction time required</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- requires construction within the creek</li> </ul>	Preferred Geotechnical Option
Open Footing Culvert	Footings on Native Silt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- longer spans may be considered to minimize construction within the existing channel</li> <li>- least excavation required of footing options</li> <li>- least costly footing option</li> <li>- no rock fill required below the footing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- excavation below ground and surface water is required, complete dewatering will be required</li> <li>- low geotechnical resistance and reactions</li> <li>- the native silt material is sensitive to disturbance from construction activities and construction traffic</li> <li>- highest risk footing option for frost effects unless extensive fill cover is provided</li> <li>-the low embankment height may require a low-profile culvert.</li> <li>-longer spans may require multiple foundations</li> </ul>	-
	Footing on Rock Fill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- longer spans may be considered to minimize construction within the existing channel</li> <li>- highest geotechnical capacities for footings</li> <li>- precast footings may be considered</li> <li>- rock fill cover and pad below footing can be considered to reduce / limit frost effects</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- excavation below ground and surface water is required, less dewatering required</li> <li>- additional cost of rock fill</li> <li>- rock fill cannot be compacted below water, as such verification of a level of compaction measurement is challenging</li> <li>- potential disturbance of subgrade during excavation</li> <li>- the low embankment height may require a low-profile culvert.</li> <li>-longer spans may require multiple foundations</li> </ul>	-
	Driven Piles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- typically high capacities can be achieved</li> <li>- excavation below water level may be reduced or eliminated</li> <li>- longer spans may be considered to minimize construction within the existing channel</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- inadequate pile lengths to achieve lateral capacity may occur.</li> <li>-additional investigation to determine rock line for a more accurate pile length</li> <li>- the low embankment height may require a low-profile culvert.</li> <li>-longer spans may require multiple foundations</li> </ul>	-
Sheet Pile Structure	Sheet piles with structural slab.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- less excavation required than open footing culvert options</li> <li>- can be constructed outside of channel footprint</li> <li>- construction within the existing channel can be minimized</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-speciality contractor, and equipment</li> <li>-cobble and boulders may hinder installation there by producing a lower capacity</li> <li>-potentially high variability in pile lengths may be encountered due to shallow bedrock and/or cobbles and boulders</li> <li>-additional investigation to determine rock line for a more accurate pile length</li> </ul>	-

**9.2 Closed Bottom Culverts**

Closed bottom culvert(s) can be placed on and in compacted granular material in an earth excavation or embankment. The culvert shall be placed on bedding fill material and backfilled in accordance with the appropriate OPSD 802 series drawings. Possible applicable OPSD drawings include; 802.020, 802.024, 802.031, 802.034, 802.051, and 802.054. The designer should choose which is the most appropriate drawing for the actual culvert chosen.

A resistance factor of 0.5 has been applied for the estimation of the factored geotechnical resistance at ULS. Settlements for SLS have been estimated assuming a uniform pressure distribution over the entire base of the foundation, with an allowance for potential of some disturbance of the founding surface during construction. A resistance factor of 0.8 has been applied.

Geotechnical resistances at ULS and geotechnical reactions at SLS for closed bottom culverts founded on native silt are provided below, and are subject to the following conditions:

- A minimum depth of cover 0.3 m (depth of soil to the underside of the foundation) must be provided.
- Foundations shall be placed on a minimum of loose native sand or silt.
- Vertically and concentrically loaded foundations in compression
- Assumed elevation of 415.8 m at underside of footing.

**Table 9.2: Geotechnical Resistances and Reactions  
 Closed Bottom Culvert**

Effective Footing Width (m)	Depth of Cover to Underside of Footing (m)	Factored Geotechnical Resistance, ULS (kPa)	Factored Geotechnical Reaction, SLS (kPa) for 25 mm settlement	Factored Geotechnical Reaction, SLS (kPa) for 50 mm settlement
5	0.3	150	52	72

**9.3 Spread Footings**

Spread footings are considered to be appropriate for open footing culverts. A resistance factor of 0.5 has been applied for the estimation of the factored geotechnical resistance at ULS. Settlements for SLS have been estimated assuming a uniform pressure distribution over the entire base of the foundation, with an allowance for potential of

some disturbance of the founding surface during construction. A resistance factor of 0.8 has been applied.

Any divergence from the conditions described herein could result in the reduction of ULS values presented. For example if the foundation is placed shallower (less depth of cover to the underside of footing) and/or the ground is sloping away from the foundation, a reduction in the ULS values may be realized.

To eliminate the effects of frost, footings must be placed below the depth of frost penetration or placed over/within non-frost susceptible fills (such as rock fill) which extend from the top of creek low water level or backfill (which ever will govern) to the depth of frost penetration. Volumetric expansion of the water (when frozen) within the pore space of the rock needs to be considered by the designer. This expansion (heave) can be estimated at 1 % of the height of the rock fill pad which is subjected to frozen condition.

### 9.3.1 Spread Footings on Rock Fill

Geotechnical resistances at ULS and geotechnical reactions at SLS for typical footings founded on rock fill are provided below, and are subject to the following conditions:

- A minimum depth of cover 1.3 m (depth of soil to the underside of the foundation) must be provided over a distance of at least 5 times the footing width from the edge of footing. The depth of cover has been determined from the slope stability modelling. Cover material should consist of Granular B Type II or rock fill.
- Foundations shall be placed on a minimum 1.0 m thick compacted graded rock fill pad founded on loose native sand or silt.
- Vertically and concentrically loaded foundations in compression.
- Assumed elevation of 414.5 m at underside of footing.

**Table 9.3: Geotechnical Resistances and Reactions  
 Strip Footings on Rock Fill**

Effective Footing Width (m)	Thickness of Rock Fill Below Footing (m)	Depth of Cover to Underside of Footing (m)	Factored Geotechnical Resistance, ULS (kPa)	Factored Geotechnical Reaction, SLS (kPa) for 25 mm settlement	Factored Geotechnical Reaction, SLS (kPa) for 50 mm settlement
1.2	1.0	1.3	315	100	180
1.5	1.0	1.3	335	85	150
1.8	1.0	1.3	355	70	130

2.0	1.0	1.3	355	65	120
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For the values presented above resistance factors of 0.5 and 0.8 have been applied for the calculation of factored geotechnical resistance at ULS and the geotechnical reactions at SLS, respectively. The SLS reactions have been computed for settlements of up to 25 mm and 50 mm under foundation loading. The resistance factors are as provided in the 2014 Canadian Highway Bridge Code (CHBC).

The rock fill pad should consist of graded rock fill. The upper 150 mm of the rock fill pad should be constructed with 19 mm clear stone. The base of the pad should extend horizontally beyond the edge of the footings by a distance at least equal to the thickness of the rock fill pad provided.

The excavations required for construction of the rock fill pad should be considered when planning for the locations of the footings especially if construction within the existing channel is not permitted.

### 9.3.2 Spread Footings on Native Silt

Geotechnical resistances at ULS and geotechnical reactions at SLS for typical footings founded on native silt are provided below, and are subject to the following conditions:

- A minimum depth of cover 2.3 m (depth of soil to the underside of the foundation) must be provided over a distance of at least 5 times the footing width from the edge of footing. The depth cover is taken as the depth of frost penetration to protect the foundation from frost action. Cover material should consist of Granular B Type II or rock fill.
- Foundations may be placed on loose to compact native silt.
- Foundations will be completed in the dry.
- Vertically and concentrically loaded foundations in compression.
- Assumed elevation of 413.5 m at underside of footing.

**Table 9.4: Geotechnical Resistances and Reactions Strip Footings on Native Silt**

Effective Footing Width (m)	Depth of Cover to Underside of Footing (m)	Factored Geotechnical Resistance, ULS (kPa)	Factored Geotechnical Reaction, SLS (kPa) for 25 mm settlement	Factored Geotechnical Reaction, SLS (kPa) for 50 mm settlement
1.2	2.3	270	75	135
1.5	2.3	275	65	115
1.8	2.3	280	55	100

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2.0	2.3	285	50	95
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For the values presented above resistance factors of 0.5 and 0.8 have been applied for the calculation of factored geotechnical resistance at ULS and the geotechnical reactions at SLS, respectively. The SLS reactions have been computed for settlements of up to 25 mm and 50 mm under foundation loading. The resistance factors are as provided in the 2014 Canadian Highway Bridge Code (CHBC).

Subgrade soils found at the site are sensitive to disturbance. Equipment and/or worker traffic on this material should be kept to a minimum during excavation to prevent excessive disturbance and loss of strength of the subgrade.

The excavations required for construction should be considered when planning for the locations of the footings especially if construction within the existing channel is not permitted.

#### **9.4 Resistance to Lateral Loads**

Resistance to lateral forces (sliding) shall be calculated in accordance with Section 6.10.5 of the CHBDC using the following unfactored parameters and appropriate resistance factor from Section 6.9.1 of the CHBDC be applied:

- Between granular pads and pre -cast concrete
  - Co-efficient of friction of 0.5
- Between cast in place concrete and silt subgrade
  - Co-efficient of friction of 0.4

#### **9.5 Sheet Pile Foundations**

A sheet pile culvert configuration could be considered for this location.

The factored geotechnical resistance for sheet piling bearing on bedrock has been calculated based on static analyses and through WEAP analysis methods. The methodology provided by Tomlinson and Woodward (2008) was used for the static analysis and provided a geotechnical resistance (with a resistance factor of 0.4) that exceeds the structural capacity of 350 grade steel. WEAP analyses was completed to assess a driving criteria for the sheet piles and to determine the available geotechnical

resistance of the piles. It is assumed that the sheet piles will be driven through the existing fills starting at a depth below that of the top of roadway surface.

Potential for difficult driving conditions may be experienced at some locations due to the presence of cobbles and boulders. Numerous cobbles and boulders were noted at a depth of 7.6 m in Borehole 5.

### **End Bearing Sheet Piles**

For this analysis the following assumptions have been made:

- Sheet piles are PZ22 made from 350 grade steel,
- Resistance factor of 0.4 for dynamic analysis as per the 2014 CHBC
- Driving stress will not exceed 80% of steel yield stress.
- Minimum sheet pile length below the dredge line of 5 m.
- Sheet pile bearing on bedrock
- Dredge line has been estimated at elevation 415.5 m.

Based on the above; piles with a minimum length greater than or equal to 5 m below the dredge line driven to bedrock yield the following

- Factored geotechnical resistance ULS of 900 kN per meter length of pile
- Factored geotechnical reaction SLS does not govern.

Piles driven to bedrock should be driven in accordance with OPSS 903. Care must be taken to ensure piles are not overstressed during driving.

### **Friction Sheet Piles**

For sheet piles not bearing on bedrock, the geotechnical resistance of the sheet piling is developed through the skin friction between the steel sheet pile wall and the native silt soils. The geotechnical resistance of sheet piles not on bedrock will vary depending on the depth of installation and the steel section selected. Based on guidelines as provided in the 2014 Canadian Highway Bridge Code (CHBC).commentary, the factored geotechnical resistance of sheet piles that do not reach bedrock (in silt) can be calculated using the following equation:

$$Q_f = 0.4 \times \beta \times \sigma'_v \times A_p$$

Where:

- $Q_f$  = Factored geotechnical resistance (kN per sheet)
- $\beta$  = Empirical factor that is based on the effective angle of internal friction of the soil mass. It has been assumed that the sheet pile will terminate within the native silt material. The native silt has an effective angle of internal friction of  $29^\circ$  based on published correlations and borehole data. As such beta can be taken as 0,48.for driven piles.
- $A_s$  = Area of one side of the sheet pile in contact with soil below the dredge line. ( $m^2$ )
- Sigma Prime = Effective overburden stress at depth “h” below the dredge line. It has been assumed that the sheet pile will terminate within the native silt material.
- $\sigma'_v = h \times (\gamma_s - \gamma_w)$ 
  - Unit weight of native silt  $\gamma_s = 18 \text{ kN/ m}^3$
  - Unit weight of water  $\gamma_w = 9.8 \text{ kN/m}^3$
  - h = Depth of embedment below dredge line (m)

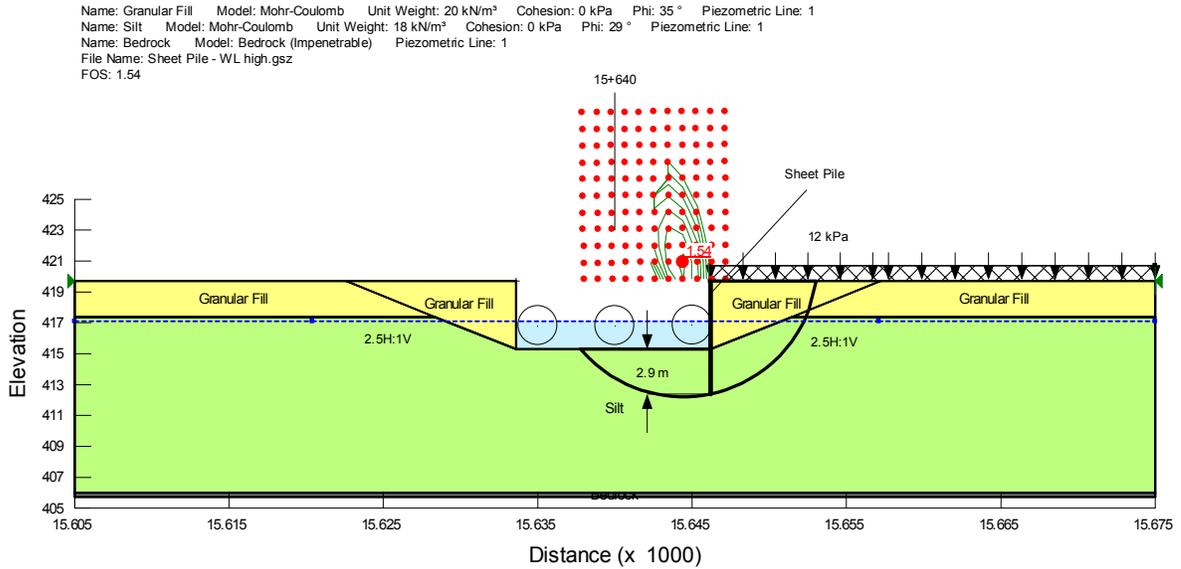
Factored geotechnical reactions (SLS) does not govern for friction piles. Settlement will be less than 25 mm at ULS.

It is recommended that all piles be advanced to bedrock. If both end bearing and skin friction piles are used, differential settlements of piles must be accounted for. The differential settlement between friction and end bearing piles can be taken to equal 100 % of the estimated settlement of the friction pile.. Mixed piles should not be used under the same foundation element.

### **9.5.1 Sheet Pile Global Stability**

In order to protect the system against rotational failure the sheet piles must be driven to a minimum depth of 2.9 m below the dredge line to provide a minimum factor of safety of (FoS) of 1.54 (resistance factor of 0.65) for final configuration. The resistance factor is as presented in the 2014 Canadian Highway Bridge Code. Material properties are provided in Section 11. Sheet pile structural design requirements may require deeper embedment.

**Figure 9.1 – Minimum Sheet Pile Wall Depth, Profile Section**



**9.6 Driven Piles**

Driven piles for an open footing culvert solution can be considered. The use of piled foundations must consider the quality and variation of the bedrock surface. The following pile recommendations are subject to the following conditions:

- Pile type is a HP 310 x 110
- Steel graded to 350 MPa
- Assumed pile cap elevation at approximately 415.5 m.
- Piles for the east abutment are end bearing on bedrock. The provided resistances are based on static analysis.

**End Bearing Piles**

For design purposes the pile capacities indicated below are appropriate.

**Table 9-5 - Pile Design Capacities for Piles Driven to Bedrock**

Abutment	Pile Designation	ULS Factored Geotechnical Axial Resistance	SLS Geotechnical Resistance for 25 and 50 mm of Settlement
East	HP 310x110	2000 kN	Does not govern

For estimation quantity purposes only, the pile tip elevations of 410 m for the east abutment and 407 m for the west abutment may be used. Pile lengths can be estimated based on the pile cap elevation as determined by the designer.

Piles driven to bedrock should be driven in accordance with OPSS 903. Care must be taken to ensure piles are not overstressed during driving. The installed depth of the piles may vary. The contractor must be prepared to drive piles of varying length.

The piles should be equipped with a driving shoe to limit pile “walking” and prevent damage to the pile tip. The driving shoe can be a Titus Rock Injector, or equivalent, if it is not available Oslo points as indicated in OPSD 3000.201 can be used. The behaviour of the piles should be monitored during driving for any signs indicative of pile damage, walking or skipping. It should be noted that cobbles and boulders were encountered within Borehole 5.

### **Friction Piles**

For piles not bearing on bedrock, the geotechnical resistance of the piling is developed through the skin friction between the steel pile perimeter and the native silt soils. The geotechnical resistance of piles not on bedrock will vary depending on the depth of installation and the steel section selected. Based guidelines as provided in the 2014 Canadian Highway Bridge Code (CHBC)., the factored geotechnical resistance of driven piles that do not reach bedrock (in silt) can be calculated using the following equation:

$$Q_f = 0.4 \times \beta \times \sigma'_v \times A_p$$

Where:

- $Q_f$  = Factored geotechnical resistance (kN)
- $\beta$  = Empirical factor that is based on the effective angle of internal friction of the soil mass. It has been assumed that the pile will terminate within the native silt material. The native silt has an effective angle of internal friction of 29° based on published correlations and borehole data. As such beta can be taken as 0,48.for driven piles.
- $A_s$  = Area of the pile in contact with soil below the dredge line. (m<sup>2</sup>)
- Sigma Prime = Effective overburden stress at depth “h” below the pile cap. It has been assumed that the pile will terminate within the native silt material.

- $\sigma'v = h \times (\gamma_s - \gamma_w)$ 
  - Unit weight of native silt  $\gamma_s = 18 \text{ kN/ m}^3$
  - Unit weight of water  $\gamma_w = 9.8 \text{ kN/m}^3$
  - $h$  = Depth of embedment below pile cap (m)

Factored geotechnical reactions (SLS) do not govern for friction piles. Settlement will be less than 25 mm at ULS.

If both end bearing and skin friction piles are used, differential settlements of piles must be accounted for. Mixed piles should not be used under the same foundation element.

Piles should be spaced at least 2.5 pile widths apart (centre to centre). No load reduction is required for this pile spacing.

Downdrag loads are not anticipated since there is no proposed change in vertical alignment.

Pile caps should be protected from frost action, or placed below the estimated frost penetration depth.

## **10 Culvert Camber**

It is understood that the existing embankment will not be raised and no appreciable settlements are expected. Culverts will not require camber.

## **11 Culvert Replacement – Staging**

### **11.1 Staging – General**

The replacement of the culvert can be completed utilizing a staged construction methodology. To provide a single trafficable lane (during construction) and expose sufficient length of existing culverts, and attempt to avoid utility poles (both sides of the highway) the vertical profile of the roadway will need to be temporarily lowered (0.6 m) and a temporary widening will also be required. The temporary widening can be expected to experience approximately 30 mm of total settlement. However due to the

temporary nature of this widening it is anticipated that only a portion of this total settlement will occur

### 11.2 Staging - Geotechnical Model

Stability modeling was completed using Slope/W software and limit equilibrium analysis using the Morgenstern-Price method.

The soil properties established for the embankment are presented below.

Stability analyses have been completed to investigate potential configurations for the proposed embankment during construction for the proposed culvert replacement. The design was based on providing a minimum calculated factor of safety (FoS) of 1.33 (resistance factor of 0.75) during construction (staging embankments) and a (FoS) of 1.54 (resistance factor of 0.65) for final configuration. The resistance factors are as provided in the 2014 Canadian Highway Bridge Code. A uniformly distributed traffic load of 12 kPa over the traversable lane(s) was applied in all cases.

**Table 11.1: Stability Analyses Soil Properties**

Soil	Effective Shear Strength Properties		Unit Weight, $\gamma$ (kN/m <sup>3</sup> )
	Effective Angle of Internal Friction, $\phi'$ (degrees)	Effective Cohesion Intercept, $C'$ (kPa)	
Granular B Type II	35	0	20
Rock Fill	40	0	18
Existing Granular Fill	35	0	20
Native Silt	29	0	18

### 11.3 Stability Analysis Results and Recommendations

The culvert can be replaced in two stages, with traffic maintained over alternate sections. This may require a significant longitudinal section of temporary road construction to achieve a temporary vertical alignment. The final roadway embankment will then be restored at its current location (Stage 3).

Various slope configurations were analyzed to determine sections which would meet the design stability requirements.

The following assumptions were made for the analysis:

- Assumed water level to be maintained at natural levels for profile excavation and removal of culverts (Figure 11.1), and cross section culvert removal and staging (Figure 11.2)
- Assumed water level to be maintained at the base of excavation for the excavation and construction of shallow footings on rock fill. (Figure 11.3)
- Temporary reduction in grade raise of 0.6 m.

The following recommendations have been derived from the analysis:

- Cut slopes through existing embankment fills shall be constructed at 1.5(H):1(V) or flatter (Figure 11.2).
- Cut slopes through the native silts for culvert removal should be constructed at 2.5(H):1(V), or flatter (Figure 11.1)
- Cut slopes through the native silts for shallow foundation excavations should be constructed at 2.6(H):1(V), or flatter (Figure 11.3)
- Where dewatering is required for shallow foundation construction, granular sheeting (1.2 m thick) is to be placed on cut slopes through native silts prior to dewatering to prevent failure due to rapid drawdown (Figure 11.3).
- For permanent construction the minimum depth of cover for shallow footings on a 1 m thick rock fill pad shall be maintained at 1.3 m (Figure 11.4)
- The minimum depth of cover of 2.3 m for foundations placed on native silt shall be provided for frost protection (Figure 11.5)

**Figure 11.1 – Culvert Excavation, Profile Section**

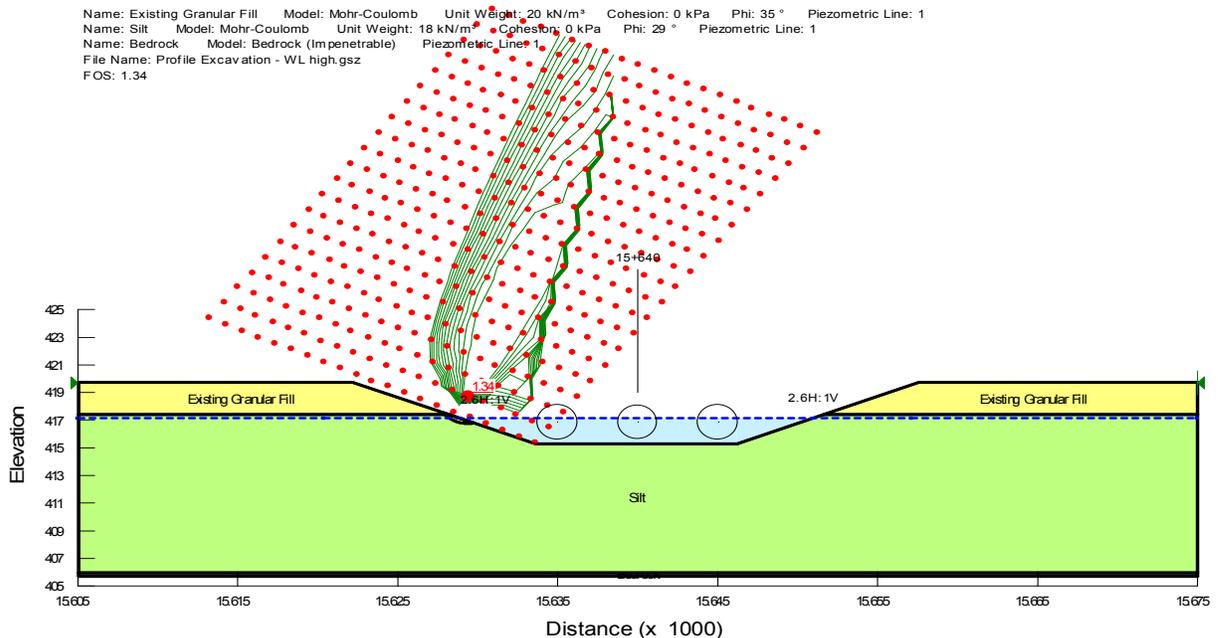


Figure 11.2 – Culvert Excavation and Staging, Cross Section

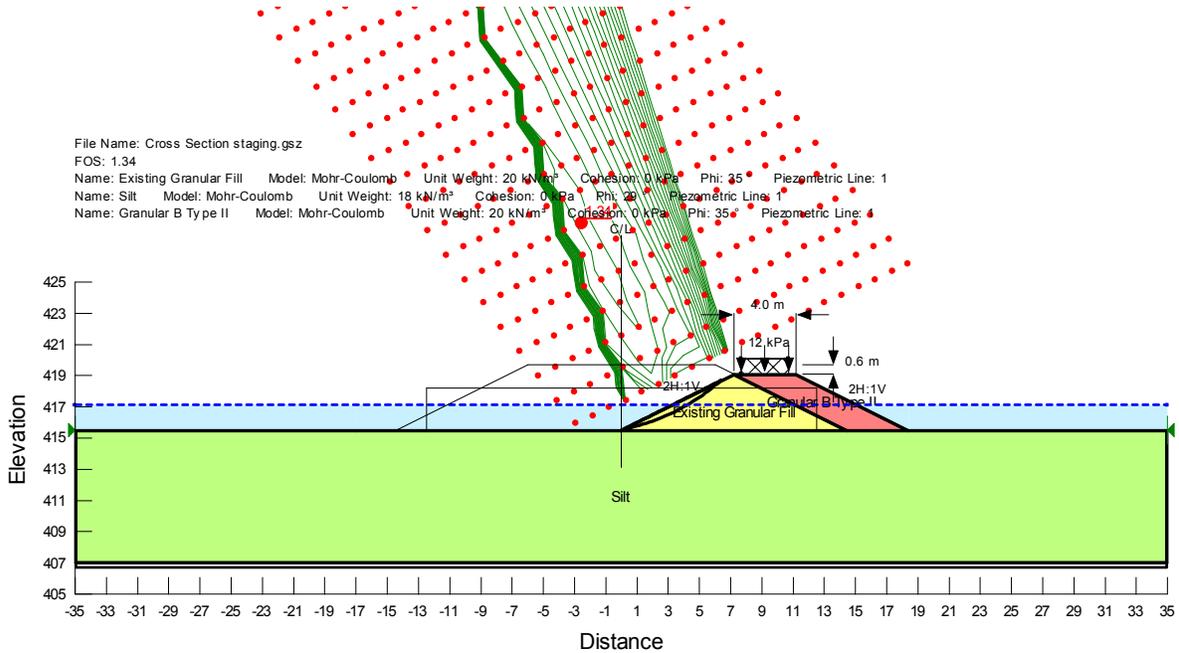
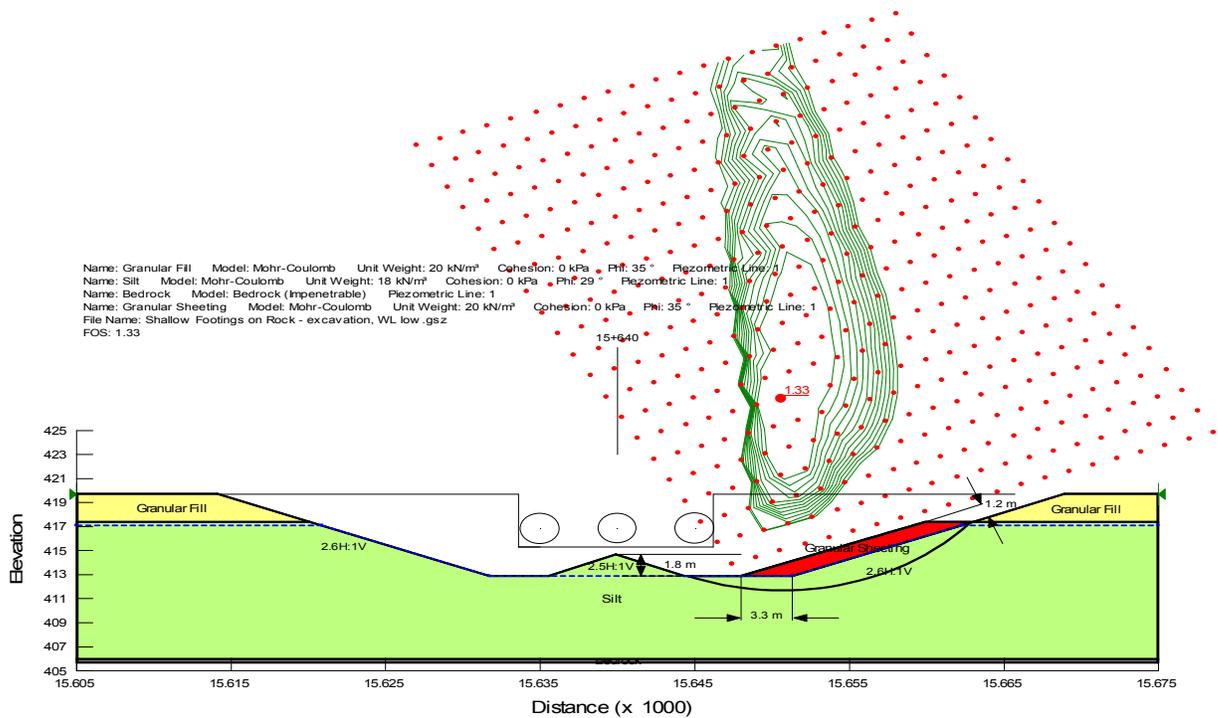
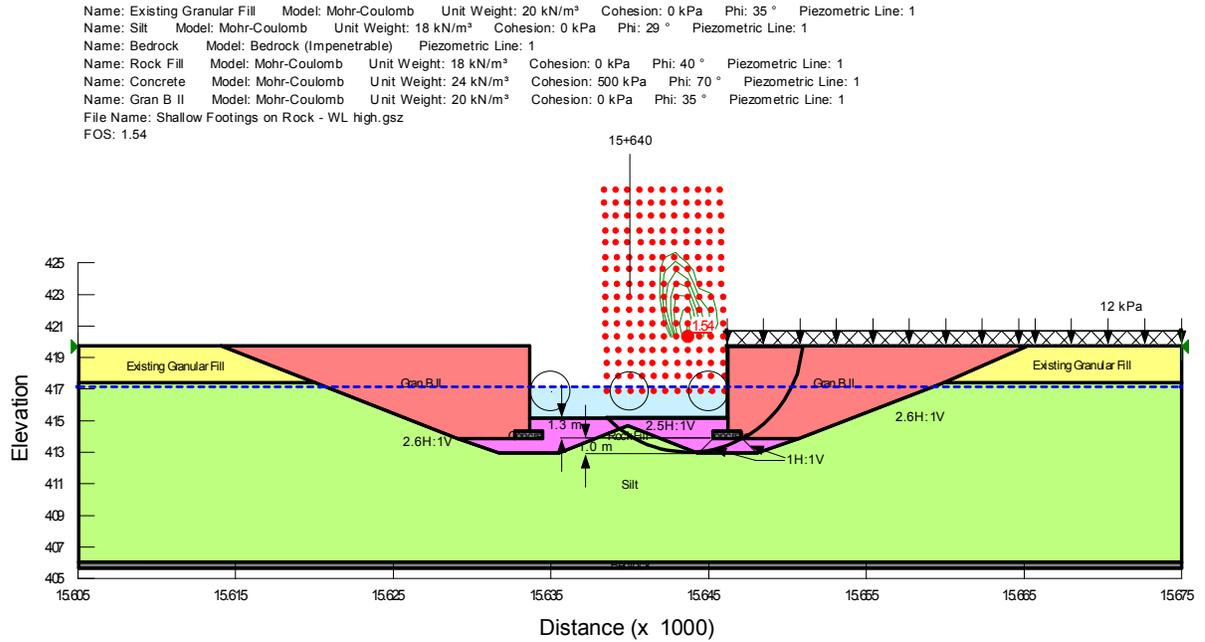


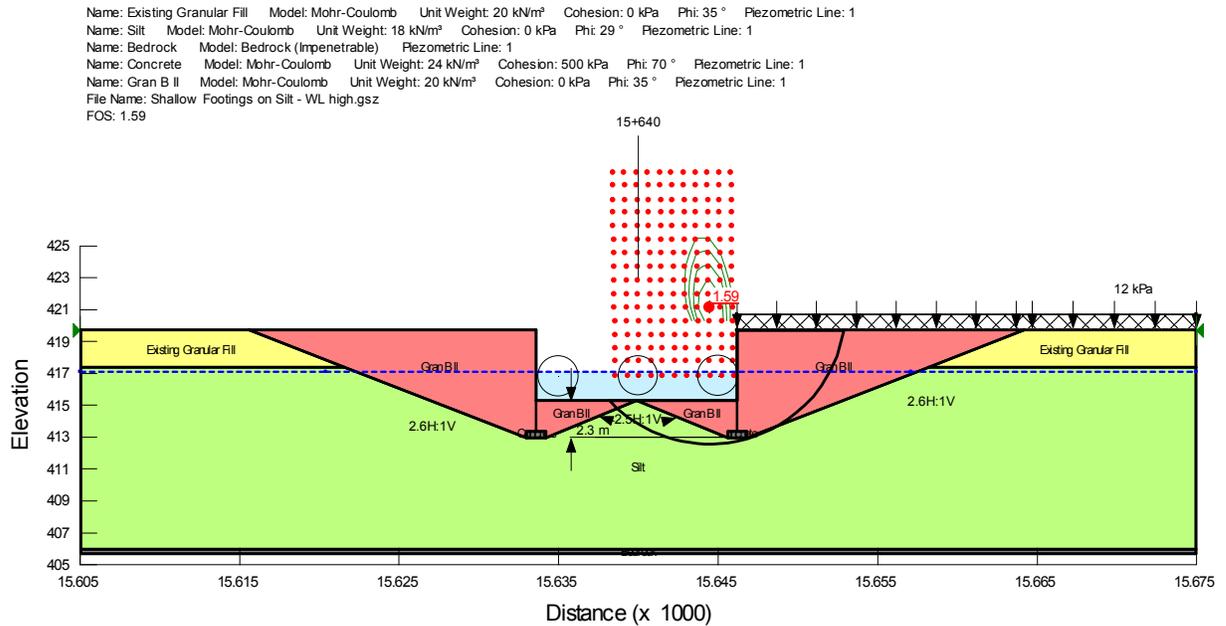
Figure 11.3 – Shallow Foundation Excavation, Profile Section



**Figure 11.4 – Shallow Foundation on Rock Fill Pad, Profile Section**



**Figure 11.5 – Shallow Foundation on Native Silt, Profile Section**



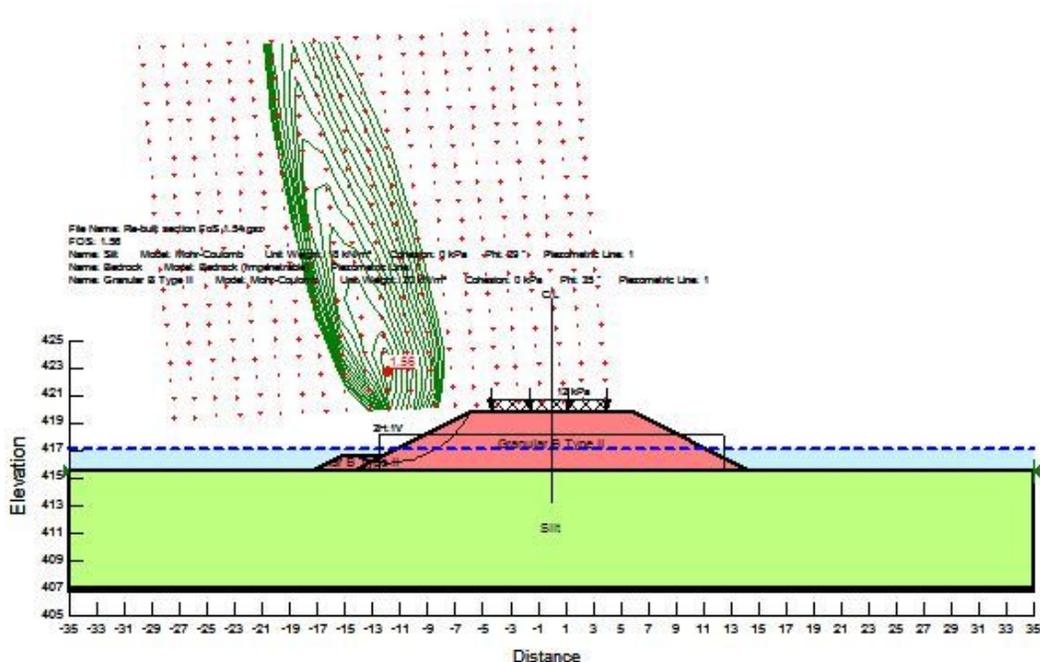
## 12 Permanent Embankment

Stability analyses have been completed to determine the final embankment configuration for the proposed culvert replacement. The design was based on providing a minimum calculated factor of safety (FoS) of 1.54 (resistance factor of 0.65 as provided in the CHBDC) and FoS of 1.3 for final configuration. A uniformly distributed traffic load of 12 kPa over the traversable lane(s) was applied.

Permanent slopes constructed of compacted Granular B, Type II shall be constructed at:

- 2(H):1(V) or flatter with a 1 m high 3 m long flanking berm for a FoS of 1.54 or greater as per Figure 12.1
- 2(H):1(V) or flatter for a FoS of 1.3 or greater as per Figure 12.2.

**Figure 12.1 – Re-Built Cross Section Minimum FoS 1.54**





protection system may be required to provide lateral resistance. Shoring measures could consist of grouted anchors, rakers, tiebacks and/or deadmans. Design of any shoring should consider the geometry of the embankment and its ability to provide adequate embedment, and/or cover, and lateral spacing to ensure no overlap of the active wedge of any anchors and the passive wedge of the traffic protection. All traffic protection systems should be designed in accordance to OPSS 539 to Performance Level 2, by engineers with a minimum of five years of experience designing similar systems. Design should also include the global stability of the chosen traffic protection system. Design of roadway protection systems is the responsibility of the contractor. Material properties as used in stability analyses may be utilized.

#### 14 Backfill and Lateral Earth Pressures

The existing site materials are not suitable for use as structural backfill. Structural backfill should consist of Granular “B” Type I, or II. Granular “A” may be specified as structural backfill in specific zones.

Lateral earth pressure coefficients for potential granular backfill and level ground conditions have been provided below.

**Table 13.1: Lateral Earth Pressure Coefficients**

Lateral Earth Pressure Coefficients (K)					
Compacted Granular Backfill	$\phi'$ (°)	Bulk Unit Weight of Soil, $\gamma$ (kN/m <sup>3</sup> )	Active Ka	At Rest Ko	Passive Kp
OPSS Granular A, or Granular B Type II	35	20	0.27	0.43	3.7
OPSS Granular B Type I	32	20	0.47	0.31	3.3
Native Silt	29	18	0.35	0.52	2.9

No factor of safety or resistance factor has been included in the above coefficients. A compaction surcharge should be added in accordance with the CHDBC s6-14 Section 6.12.3. The culvert must also be designed to resist hydrostatic pressures where applicable.

## **15 Dewatering, Excavations and Channel Diversion**

Excavations should be excavated and sloped in accordance with the requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety act. Dewatering systems should be designed in accordance to OPSS 517 and SP 517F01 (July 2017), and it is recommended that any dewatering system be designed and checked by engineers with a minimum of five years of experience designing similar systems.

The current creek level is approximately 1.0 m above the existing inlet invert. The soils below the ground water level consist of relatively low permeable silt. Excavations for culvert construction and/or placement of fill are expected to extend below the ground water level.

To facilitate construction in the dry, control of surface and ground water will be required. Dewatering of the site will likely require the use of coffer dams constructed across the water course.

Dewatering of the excavation may include simple sump and pump techniques ranging to well point systems. Simple sump and pump techniques may be adequate when surface water flow through the upper sand zone is limited. Where high water flow through the upper sand zone is anticipated well points can be used to drop the water level within this zone. The complexity of the dewatering system will be governed by the depth of the excavation and any requirements for working in the dry. Protection from rapid draw down effects will be required to prevent the potential instability of the excavation slopes. Granular sheeting covering the cut slopes in native silt will be required to project the embankment slopes from rapid draw down effects. Silt embankments should be sloped at 2.6(H) to 1 (V) and covered with granular sheeting 1.2 m thick sloped to match the cut slope. Additionally, well points could be used to mitigate rapid drawdown effects within the silt.

The soil through the embankment and the native silt can be preliminarily classified as Type 3 soils, as defined by the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations for Construction Projects. Cut slopes for unsupported excavations shall be no steeper than

those provided in Section 11.3. The soil types must be reassessed as excavations proceed and adjustments to construction methodologies should be taken as required.

Channel diversion options are limited without the construction of a diversion and subsequent temporary culvert. The use of temporary cofferdams utilizing either controlled flow or pumping should be considered the best option for channel diversion.

### **15.1 Preliminary Considerations for Cofferdams**

The potential use of cofferdams to control inlet and outlet water conditions can be considered at this location. A cofferdam system can range from earthen structures to sheet piles. Subsurface investigations were completed near potential cofferdam locations (Boreholes 3, 5, 6 and 8). Bedrock was encountered at Boreholes 3 and 5 at depths of 8.1 and 9.4 m (elev. 409.9 and 409 m), and no refusal was encountered at Boreholes 6 and 8 which were advanced to depths of 11.2 m, (elev. 406.9 and 406.7 m). It should be noted that cobbles and boulders were noted within Borehole 5. Boreholes 3 and 5 are on the right side of the highway and Boreholes 6 and 8 are on the left side of the highway.

Cofferdam design should be completed by the contractor's designer and consider, but not limited to, the following potential issues:

- Requirement for bracing and/or tie backs;
- Global and internal stability;
- Sufficient seepage cut off measures be employed to avoid piping of the soil. The native silt is of low permeability and may pipe if sufficient seepage exit gradients develop on the inboard side of the cofferdam.
- Potential loss of soil adjacent to the cofferdam.
- Potential sheet pile refusal on cobbles and boulders (as indicated in Borehole 5), or shallow bedrock.

## **16 Estimated Frost Depth and Frost Protection**

Based on OPSD 3090.100 Foundation Frost Penetration Depths for Northern Ontario; the estimated frost depth penetration within the expected embankment fill is 2.3 m. The

embankment soils anticipated within the frost depth are considered to be of low frost susceptibility (MTO Pavement Design and Rehabilitation Manual).

## **17 Seismic Considerations**

Seismic analysis for the culvert will not be required based on the following rationale as per the 2014 Canadian Highway Design Bridge Code (CHBDC). In accordance with Section 4.4.3.1 spectral ground acceleration data for the sites was obtained from [www.earthquakescanada.nrcan.gc.ca](http://www.earthquakescanada.nrcan.gc.ca). In accordance with Section 4.4.4, Table 4.10 and assuming the culverts have a Seismic Importance Category of “Major-route and other bridges”, the site is classified as Seismic Performance Category 1. As per Section 4.4.5.1, no seismic analyses are required for structures located in Seismic Performance Category 1.

## **18 Corrosion and Sulphate Attack Potential**

Corrosivity and sulphate content testing was conducted on a sample of the native soil, and the results are provided in Appendix B. The results of the test indicate the following conditions at the test location:

- Sulphate was measured at 42 ppm (0.0042%) and does not require sulphate resistant concrete since it is less than 0.1 %.
- The pH of the soil was measured at 7.8, with resistivity of 2760 ohm-cm, and sulphide content less than 0.2 mg/kg. Considering these factors, the native soils are not considered to be aggressively corrosive.

## **19 Scour and Erosion Protection**

Erosion/scour protection should be provided at culvert inlet and outlet, and for any foundation element. The ultimate design of erosion protection measures should be provided by designers with sufficient experience. Where appropriate, foundation elements should be provided with sufficient scour protection in the event of elevated creek levels. Scour protection should be designed in accordance with Section 1.9.5 of the 2014 Canadian Highway Bridge Design Code, where clay seals are considered

OPSS 1205 should be reviewed and OPSD 810.010 for rip rap placement should be reviewed.

## **20 Potential Construction Issues**

No major construction difficulties are foreseen at this site. Issues which may require consideration include:

- Control of surface and groundwater during excavation below the creek/groundwater level.
- Potential for construction 'in the wet'.
- Staging Requirements.
- Potential additional drilling to determine bedrock depth near Boreholes 7 and 8.
- Native subgrade is highly susceptible to disturbance and construction traffic on it should be kept to a minimum.
- Cobbles and boulders were noted within Borehole 5.
- Dewatering of the site to facilitate construction in the dry may be subject to rapid drawdown issues in the silt and a higher flow from sand seams.

## **21 Limitations**

Conclusions and recommendations presented in this report are based on the information determined at a limited number of test hole locations. Subsurface and groundwater conditions between and beyond these locations may differ from those encountered. Conditions may become apparent during construction that were not detected and could not be anticipated at the time of the site investigation.

The comments given in this report on potential construction problems and possible methods of construction are intended only for the guidance of the designer.

Groundwater levels indicated are based on the information described within the report. The presence of all conditions that could affect the type and scope of dewatering procedures which may be considered cannot readily be determined from boreholes. These include local and seasonal fluctuations of the groundwater level, changes in soil conditions between test locations, thin and/or discontinuous layers of highly permeable soils, etc.

The information contained within this report in no way reflects any environmental aspect of the site or soil.

## 22 Closure

We trust the above addresses your project requirements at this time. Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience.

Yours truly,

For TBT ENGINEERING LIMITED



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**APPENDIX A**  
**Borehole Logs**

## EXPLANATION OF TERMS USED IN REPORT

**N VALUE:** THE STANDARD PENETRATION TEST (SPT) N VALUE IS THE NUMBER OF BLOWS REQUIRED TO CAUSE A STANDARD 51mm O.D. SPLIT BARREL SAMPLER TO PENETRATE 0.3m INTO UNDISTURBED GROUND IN A BOREHOLE WHEN DRIVEN BY A HAMMER WITH A MASS OF 63.5kg, FALLING FREELY A DISTANCE OF 0.76m. FOR PENETRATIONS OF LESS THAN 0.3m, N VALUES ARE INDICATED AS THE NUMBER OF BLOWS FOR THE PENETRATION ACHIEVED. AVERAGE N VALUE IS DENOTED THUS  $\bar{N}$ .

**DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION TEST:** CONTINUOUS PENETRATION OF A CONICAL STEEL POINT (51mm O.D. 60° CONE ANGLE) DRIVEN BY 475 J IMPACT ENERGY ON 1" SIZE DRILL RODS. THE RESISTANCE TO CONE PENETRATION IS MEASURED AS THE NUMBER OF BLOWS FOR EACH 0.3m ADVANCE OF THE CONICAL POINT INTO THE UNDISTURBED GROUND.

SOILS ARE DESCRIBED BY THEIR COMPOSITION AND CONSISTENCY OR DENSENESS.

**CONSISTENCY:** COHESIVE SOILS ARE DESCRIBED ON THE BASIS OF THEIR UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH ( $c_u$ ) AS FOLLOWS:

$c_u$ (kPa)	0 - 12	12 - 25	25 - 50	50 - 100	100 - 200	>200
	VERY SOFT	SOFT	FIRM	STIFF	VERY STIFF	HARD

**DENSENESS:** COHESIONLESS SOILS ARE DESCRIBED ON THE BASIS OF DENSENESS AS INDICATED BY SPT N VALUES AS FOLLOWS:

N (BLOWS/0.3m)	0 - 5	5 - 10	10 - 30	30 - 50	>50
	VERY LOOSE	LOOSE	COMPACT	DENSE	VERY DENSE

ROCKS ARE DESCRIBED BY THEIR COMPOSITION AND STRUCTURAL FEATURES AND / OR STRENGTH.

**RECOVERY:** SUM OF ALL RECOVERED ROCK CORE PIECES FROM A CORING RUN EXPRESSED AS A PERCENT OF THE TOTAL LENGTH OF THE CORING RUN.

**MODIFIED RECOVERY:** SUM OF THOSE INTACT CORE PIECES, 100mm+ IN LENGTH EXPRESSED AS A PERCENT OF THE LENGTH OF THE CORING RUN. THE ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION (R Q D), FOR MODIFIED RECOVERY, IS:

R Q D (%)	0 - 25	25 - 50	50 - 75	75 - 90	90 - 100
	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT

**JOINTING AND BEDDING:**

SPACING	50mm	50 - 300mm	0.3m - 1m	1m - 3m	>3m
JOINTING	VERY CLOSE	CLOSE	MOD. CLOSE	WIDE	VERY WIDE
BEDDING	VERY THIN	THIN	MEDIUM	THICK	VERY THICK

## ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

### FIELD SAMPLING

S S	SPLIT SPOON	T P	THINWALL PISTON
W S	WASH SAMPLE	O S	OSTERBERG SAMPLER
S T	SLOTTED TUBE SAMPLE	R C	ROCK CORE
B S	BLOCK SAMPLE	P H	T W ADVANCED HYDRAULICALLY
C S	CHUNK SAMPLE	P M	T W ADVANCED MANUALLY
T W	THINWALL OPEN	F S	FOIL SAMPLE

### STRESS AND STRAIN

$u_w$	kPa	PORE WATER PRESSURE
$u$	:	PORE PRESSURE RATIO
$\sigma$	kPa	TOTAL NORMAL STRESS
$\sigma'$	kPa	EFFECTIVE NORMAL STRESS
$\tau$	kPa	SHEAR STRESS
$\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$	kPa	PRINCIPAL STRESSES
$e$	%	LINEAR STRAIN
$\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \epsilon_3$	%	PRINCIPAL STRAINS
$E$	kPa	MODULUS OF LINEAR DEFORMATION
$G$	kPa	MODULUS OF SHEAR DEFORMATION
$\mu$	:	COEFFICIENT OF FRICTION

### MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF SOIL

$m_v$	$kPa^{-1}$	COEFFICIENT OF VOLUME CHANGE
$C_c$	:	COMPRESSION INDEX
$C_s$	:	SWELLING INDEX
$\alpha$	:	RATE OF SECONDARY CONSOLIDATION
$c_v$	$m^2/s$	COEFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION
$H$	m	DRAINAGE PATH
$T_v$	:	TIME FACTOR
$U$	%	DEGREE OF CONSOLIDATION
$\sigma'_{v0}$	kPa	EFFECTIVE OVERBURDEN PRESSURE
$\sigma'_p$	kPa	PRECONSOLIDATION PRESSURE
$T_c$	kPa	SHEAR STRENGTH
$c'$	kPa	EFFECTIVE COHESION INTERCEPT
$\phi'$	°	EFFECTIVE ANGLE OF INTERNAL FRICTION
$c_u$	kPa	APPARENT COHESION INTERCEPT
$\phi_u$	°	APPARENT ANGLE OF INTERNAL FRICTION
$T_R$	kPa	RESIDUAL SHEAR STRENGTH
$\tau_r$	kPa	REMOULDED SHEAR STRENGTH
$S_r$	:	SENSITIVITY = $\frac{c_u}{T_r}$

### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF SOIL

$\rho_s$	$kg/m^3$	DENSITY OF SOLID PARTICLES	$e$	1, %	VOID RATIO	$e_{min}$	1, %	VOID RATIO IN DENSEST STATE
$\gamma_s$	$kN/m^3$	UNIT WEIGHT OF SOLID PARTICLES	$n$	1, %	POROSITY	$I_D$	:	DENSITY INDEX = $\frac{e_{max} - e}{e_{max} - e_{min}}$
$\rho_w$	$kg/m^3$	DENSITY OF WATER	$w$	1, %	WATER CONTENT	$D$	mm	GRAIN DIAMETER
$\gamma_w$	$kN/m^3$	UNIT WEIGHT OF WATER	$S_r$	%	DEGREE OF SATURATION	$D_n$	mm	n PERCENT - DIAMETER
$P$	$kg/m^3$	DENSITY OF SOIL	$w_L$	%	LIQUID LIMIT	$C_u$	:	UNIFORMITY COEFFICIENT
$\gamma$	$kN/m^3$	UNIT WEIGHT OF SOIL	$w_p$	%	PLASTIC LIMIT	$h$	m	HYDRAULIC HEAD OR POTENTIAL
$\rho_d$	$kg/m^3$	DENSITY OF DRY SOIL	$w_s$	%	SHRINKAGE LIMIT	$q$	$m^3/s$	RATE OF DISCHARGE
$\gamma_d$	$kN/m^3$	UNIT WEIGHT OF DRY SOIL	$I_p$	%	PLASTICITY INDEX = $w_L - w_p$	$v$	m/s	DISCHARGE VELOCITY
$\rho_{sat}$	$kg/m^3$	DENSITY OF SATURATED SOIL	$I_L$	:	LIQUIDITY INDEX = $\frac{w - w_p}{I_p}$	$i$	:	HYDRAULIC GRADIENT
$\gamma_{sat}$	$kN/m^3$	UNIT WEIGHT OF SATURATED SOIL	$I_c$	:	CONSISTENCY INDEX = $\frac{w_L - w}{I_p}$	$k$	m/s	HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY
$\rho'$	$kg/m^3$	DENSITY OF SUBMERGED SOIL	$e_{max}$	1, %	VOID RATIO IN LOOSEST STATE	$j$	$kN/m^2$	SEEPAGE FORCE
$\gamma'$	$kN/m^3$	UNIT WEIGHT OF SUBMERGED SOIL						

**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 1**

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**METRIC**

W.P. 5119-06-00 LOCATION Knife Creek N:5355264.472; E:228612.697 MTM Zone:13 ORIGINATED BY WM  
 DIST NER HWY 17 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY SW  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 2016.09.20 - 2016.09.20 LATITUDE 48.331512 LONGITUDE -85.02764 CHECKED BY CJ

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 $\gamma$ kN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL		
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa									WATER CONTENT (%)	
						20	40	60	80	100								
419.7	ASPHALT - 75 mm	[Cross-hatched pattern]	1	AS														
418.9	FILL - GRAVEL & SAND - trace silt, brown, dense to very dense		2	SS	100+												58 38 (4)	
	----- - white & brown																	
	----- brown, numerous cobbles		2	SS	49													
417.4	SAND - Silty, grey, compact	[Dotted pattern]	4	SS	19													
416.7	SILT - some sand, grey, trace gravel, loose to compact	[Vertical lines pattern]	5	SS	7												3 19 (78)	
			6	SS	14													
			7	SS	6													
			8	SS	19													
			9	SS	100+													
410.2	BEDROCK - grey and white gneiss	[Diagonal lines pattern]	1	RC													RC #1 REC 100% RQD 100%	
407.1	End of Borehole @ 12.6 m.																	

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+<sup>3</sup>, X<sup>3</sup>: Numbers refer to Sensitivity      ○ 3% STRAIN AT FAILURE

**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 2**

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**METRIC**

W.P. 5119-06-00 LOCATION Knife Creek N:5355287.823; E:228579.711 MTM Zone:13 ORIGINATED BY WM  
 DIST NER HWY 17 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY SW  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 2016.09.20 - 2016.09.20 LATITUDE 48.331718 LONGITUDE -85.028089 CHECKED BY CJ

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 (%)		
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa									WATER CONTENT (%)	
						20	40	60	80	100	20	40	60		GR SA SI CL			
419.7	ASPHALT - 75 mm FILL - SAND & GRAVEL to trace gravel - Silty, brown, dense to very dense		1	AS														
418.9			2	SS	72											7 71 (22)		
			3	SS	36													
417.5	SILT - trace sand, grey, very dense to compact		4	SS	45													
2.2			5	SS	70													
			6	SS	92													
			7	SS	10												0 1 (99)	
			8	SS	15													
			9	SS	16													
			10	SS	12													
			11	SS	14													
407.0			End of Borehole @ 12.7 m.															
12.7																		

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**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 3**

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**METRIC**

W.P. 5119-06-00 LOCATION Knife Creek N:5355273.629; E:228567.735 MTM Zone:13 ORIGINATED BY TP  
 DIST NER HWY 17 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY SW  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 2016.09.21 - 2016.09.21 LATITUDE 48.331589 LONGITUDE -85.028248 CHECKED BY CJ

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 (%)						
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	20	40	60	80						100	20	40	60	GR	SA
418.0 0.0	SILT - some to trace sand, brown, loose to dense		1	AS																		
			2	SS	5		417															
			3	SS	11		416															
			4	SS	28		415															
			5	SS	9		414															
			6	SS	18		413															
			7	SS	18		412															
			8	SS	36		411															
409.9 8.1	BEDROCK - grey and white gneiss		1	RC		410																
							409															
406.8 11.2	End of Borehole @ 11.2 m.					408																
						407																

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+<sup>3</sup>, ×<sup>3</sup>: Numbers refer to Sensitivity      ○ 3% STRAIN AT FAILURE

**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 4**

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**METRIC**

W.P. 5119-06-00 LOCATION Knife Creek N:5355258.094; E:228598.445 MTM Zone:13 ORIGINATED BY WM  
 DIST NER HWY 17 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY SW  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 2016.09.27 - 2016.09.28 LATITUDE 48.331453 LONGITUDE -85.027831 CHECKED BY CJ

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 $\gamma$ kN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%) GR SA SI CL		
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa									WATER CONTENT (%)	
						20	40	60	80	100	20	40	60					
418.6	SILT - Sandy to trace sand, trace gravel, loose to very dense		1	AS		▽												
			2	SS	8													
			3	SS	11													
			4	SS	19													
			5	SS	18													
			6	SS	90													
			7	SS	27													
411.1	BEDROCK - grey and white gneiss		1	RC														
7.5																		
408.0	End of Borehole @ 10.6 m.																	
10.6																		

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+<sup>3</sup>, ×<sup>3</sup>: Numbers refer to Sensitivity ○ 3% STRAIN AT FAILURE

**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 5**

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**METRIC**

W.P. 5119-06-00 LOCATION Knife Creek N:5355252.716; E:228593.41 MTM Zone:13 ORIGINATED BY WM  
 DIST NER HWY 17 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY SW  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 2016.09.29 - 2016.09.29 LATITUDE 48.331404 LONGITUDE -85.0278979 CHECKED BY CJ

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 kN/m <sup>3</sup>	REMARKS & GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (%)						
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa									WATER CONTENT (%)					
						20	40	60	80	100	20	40	60		GR	SA	SI	CL				
418.4	SILT - Sandy to trace sand, trace to some organics, brown, loose to very dense  ----- - grey		1	AS		▽													0 31 (69)			
			2	SS	5																	
			3	SS	5																	Water @ 1.6m upon completion.
			4	SS	23																	Non-plastic
			5	SS	14																	0 0 (100)
			6	SS	66																	
			7	SS	29																	0 2 (98)
409.0	BEDROCK - grey and white gneiss		1	RC															Auger refusal @ 7.6m. Advanced with casing.			
9.4																				RC #1 REC 100% RQD 98%		
406.0	End of Borehole @ 12.4 m.																					
12.4																						

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**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 6**

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**METRIC**

W.P. 5119-06-00 LOCATION Knife Creek N:5355272.248; E:228621.178 MTM Zone:13 ORIGINATED BY WM  
 DIST NER HWY 17 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY SW  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 2016.09.30 - 2016.09.30 LATITUDE 48.331583 LONGITUDE -85.027527 CHECKED BY CJ

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 (%)	
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa									WATER CONTENT (%)
						20	40	60	80	100	20	40	60		GR SA SI CL		
418.1	ORGANICS - black, very loose	~	1	AS													
0.0			2	SS	2												
416.5	SILT - grey, very loose to compact		3	SS	1												
1.6			4	SS	1												
			5	SS	3												
			6	SS	18												
			7	SS	26												
			8	SS	21												
			9	SS	18												
			10	AS													
406.9	- some gravel, trace sand															21 7 (72) Could not perform SPT.	
11.2	End of Borehole 11.2 m.															Drill rods jammed in hollow stem auger.	

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**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 7**

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**METRIC**

W.P. 5119-06-00 LOCATION Knife Creek N:5355289.06; E:228595.153 MTM Zone:13 ORIGINATED BY WM  
 DIST NER HWY 17 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY SW  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 2016.02.10 - 2016.02.10 LATITUDE 48.331731 LONGITUDE -85.027881 CHECKED BY CJ

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 (%)
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa								
						20	40	60	80	100	20	40	60		GR SA SI CL	
418.1																
0.0	FILL - SAND & GRAVEL, trace silt, brown	⊗	1	AS							○				41	51 (8)
417.5			2	SS	3											Water level @ 1.0m upon completion.
0.6	SILT - some organics, brown, very loose to compact		3	SS	25											
	----- - grey		4	SS	15											
			5	SS	23											
			6	SS	16											
			7	SS	14											
			8	SS	25											
			9	SS	30											
407.5	End of Borehole 10.6 m.															0 1 (99)
10.6																

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**RECORD OF BOREHOLE No 8**

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**METRIC**

W.P. 5119-06-00 LOCATION Knife Creek N:5355296.975; E:228601.858 MTM Zone:13 ORIGINATED BY WM  
 DIST NER HWY 17 BOREHOLE TYPE Hollow Stem Auger COMPILED BY SW  
 DATUM Geodetic DATE 2016.03.10 - 2016.03.10 LATITUDE 48.331803 LONGITUDE -85.027792 CHECKED BY CJ

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 (%)
ELEV DEPTH	DESCRIPTION	STRAT PLOT	NUMBER	TYPE			"N" VALUES	SHEAR STRENGTH kPa								
						20	40	60	80	100	20	40	60		GR SA SI CL	
417.9 0.0	TOPSOIL/ORGANICS - brown/black, very loose		1	AS											Water level @ 1.2m upon completion.	
416.5 1.4	SAND - some gravel, some silt, brown, very loose to compact		2	SS	3									143.8	Non-plastic	
			3	SS	3										15 74 (11)	
			4	SS	13											
415.0 2.9	SILT - grey, compact to dense		5	SS	10											
			6	SS	34											
			7	SS	19											
			8	SS	30											
			9	SS	23											
			10	SS	20										9 5 (86)	
406.7 11.2	End of Borehole @ 11.2 m.															

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**ROCK CORE LOG**

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Project #: 16-138

Borehole #1

Lab# 16-16509

Client: MTO NER

Logger: Larry Wells

Site: Knife Creek Culvert

Date: October 13, 2016

DEPTH FROM SURFACE (m)	DEPTH (m)	BOX/RU N	% REC (m)	% RQD (m)	GENERAL DESCRIPTION (Rock type(s), % colour, texture, etc.)	STRENGTH	WEATHERING	# OF SETS	TYPE(S)	Orientation	SPACING	Roughness	APERTURE	FILLING	OCCASIONAL FEATURES	
																Strength (MPa)
From	9.60	1	100%	100%	Grey and White Gneiss		u	3	J	F	W	RP	O	N	3 Dipping Unfractured Epidote Planes @ 9.9, 11.0, and 12.0 metres.	
To	12.60															
From	0.00															
To	0.00															
From	0.00															
To	0.00															

**Strength (MPa)**  
 VH = Very High = >200  
 H = High = 50-200  
 M = Medium = 15-50  
 L = Low = 4-15  
 VL = Very Low = 1-4

**Weathering**  
 U = Unweathered (No signs)  
 S = Slightly (Oxidized)  
 M = Moderately (Discoloured)  
 H = Highly (Friable)  
 C = Completely (Soil-like)

**Discontinuity Type**  
 B = Bedding joint  
 J = Cross joint  
 F = Fault  
 S = Shear Plane

**Roughness**  
 RU = Rough undulating  
 RP = Rough planar  
 SU = Smooth undulating  
 SP = Smooth planar  
 LU = Slickensided undulating  
 LP = Slickensided planar

**Aperture**  
 O = Open  
 C = Closed  
 F = Filled

**Filling**  
 T = Tight, hard  
 O = Oxidized  
 SA = Slightly altered, clay free  
 S = Sandy, Clay free  
 Si = Sandy, silty, minor clay  
 NC = Non-softening clay  
 SC = Swelling, softening clay  
 N = No filling

**Orientation**  
 F = Flat (0-20°)  
 D = Dipping (20-50°)  
 V = Near Vertical (>50°)

**Spacing**  
 VW = Very wide = >3m  
 W = Wide = 1-3m  
 M = Moderate = 0.3-1m  
 C = Close = 5-30cm  
 VC = Very close = <5cm

**DISCONTINUITIES**

## Full Rock Core Dry



## Full Rock Core Wet



-3.0 metre core of Archean Gneiss

**ROCK CORE LOG**

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Project #: 16-138

Borehole #3

Lab# 16-16510

Client: MTO NER

Logger: Larry Wells

Site: Knife Creek Culvert

Date: October 13, 2016

DEPTH FROM SURFACE (m)		DEPTH (m)	BOX/RU N	% REC (m)	% RQD (m)	GENERAL DESCRIPTION (Rock type(s), % colour, texture, etc.)	STRENGTH	WEATHERING	# OF SETS	TYPE(S)	Orientation	SPACING	Roughness	APERTURE	FILLING	OCCASIONAL FEATURES
From		From				Grey and White Gneiss		U	2	J	F	W	RU	O	N	-Unfilled Joint @ 9.4 metres
To	8.10	To	1	100%	100%											
From		From														
To	0.00	To														
From		From														
To	0.00	To														
From		From														
To	0.00	To														

**Discontinuity Type**  
B = Bedding joint  
J = Cross joint  
F = Fault  
S = Shear Plane

**Orientation**  
F = Flat (0-20°)  
D = Dipping (20-50°)  
V = Near Vertical (>50°)

**Strength (MPa)**  
VH = Very High = >200  
H = High = 50-200  
M = Medium = 15-50  
L = Low = 4-15  
VL = Very Low = 1-4

**Weathering**  
U = Unweathered (No signs)  
S = Slightly (Oxidized)  
M = Moderately (Discoloured)  
H = Highly (Friable)  
C = Completely (Soil-like)

**Spacing**  
VW = Very wide = >3m  
W = Wide = 1-3m  
M = Moderate = 0.3-1m  
C = Close = 5-30cm  
VC = Very close = <5cm

**Aperture**  
O = Open  
C = Closed  
F = Filled

**Filling**  
T = Tight, hard  
O = Oxidized  
SA = Slightly altered, clay free  
S = Sandy, Clay free  
Si = Sandy, silty, minor clay  
NC = Non-softening clay  
SC = Swelling, softening clay  
N = No filling

**DISCONTINUITIES**

OCCASIONAL FEATURES

## Full Rock Core Dry



## Full Rock Core Wet



-3.1 metre core of Archean Gneiss

**ROCK CORE LOG**

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Project # 16-138

Borehole #4

Lab# 16-16511

Client: MTO NER

Logger: Larry Wells

Site: Knife Creek Culvert

Date: October 12, 2016

DEPTH FROM SURFACE (m)	DEPTH (m)	BOX/RU N	% REC (m)	% RQD (m)	GENERAL DESCRIPTION (Rock type(s), % colour, texture, etc.)	STRENGTH	WEATHERING	# OF SETS	TYPE(S)	Orientation	SPACING	Roughness	APERTURE	FILLING	OCCASIONAL FEATURES
From	7.50	1	100%	93%	Grey and White Gneiss		U	4	J	D	W	SP	F	T	Slight Epidote Joint Filling @ 8.4 metres
To	10.60														
From															
To	0.00														
From	0.00														
To	0.00														
From	0.00														
To	0.00														

**Roughness**  
RU = Rough undulating  
RP = Rough planar  
SU = Smooth undulating  
SP = Smooth planar  
LU = Slickensided undulating  
LP = Slickensided planar

**Discontinuity Type**  
B = Bedding joint  
J = Cross joint  
F = Fault  
S = Shear Plane

**Orientation**  
F = Flat (0-20°)  
D = Dipping (20-50°)  
V = Near Vertical (>50°)

**Strength (MPa)**  
VH = Very High = >200  
H = High = 50-200  
M = Medium = 15-50  
L = Low = 4-15  
VL = Very Low = 1-4

**Weathering**  
U = Unweathered (No signs)  
S = Slightly (Oxidized)  
M = Moderately (Discoloured)  
H = Highly (Friable)  
C = Completely (Soil-like)

**Aperture**  
O = Open  
C = Closed  
F = Filled

**Filling**  
T = Tight, hard  
O = Oxidized  
SA = Slightly altered, clay free  
S = Sandy, Clay free  
Si = Sandy, silty, minor clay  
NC = Non-softening clay  
SC = Swelling, softening clay  
N = No filling

**Spacing**  
VW = Very wide = >3m  
W = Wide = 1-3m  
M = Moderate = 0.3-1m  
C = Close = 5-30cm  
VC = Very close = <5cm

**DISCONTINUITIES**

## Full Rock Core Dry



## Full Rock Core Wet



-3.1 metre core of Archean Gneiss

**ROCK CORE LOG**

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Project #: 16-138

Borehole # 5

Lab# 16-16512

Client: MTO NER

Logger: Larry Wells

Site: Knife Creek Culvert

Date: October 12, 2016

DEPTH FROM SURFACE (m)	DEPTH (m)		BOX/RU N	% REC (m)	% RQD (m)	GENERAL DESCRIPTION (Rock type(s), % colour, texture, etc.)	STRENGTH	WEATHERING	# OF SETS	TYPE(S)	Orientation	SPACING	Roughness	APERTURE	FILLING	OCCASIONAL FEATURES
	From	To														
From	9.40	To	1	100%	98%	Grey and White Gneiss	U	3	J	D	W	SP	F	T	Epidote Joint Filling @ 10.3 m	
To	12.40															
From																
To	0.00															
From	0.00															
To	0.00															
From	0.00															
To	0.00															

**Strength (MPa)**  
 VH = Very High = >200  
 H = High = 50-200  
 M = Medium = 15-50  
 L = Low = 4-15  
 VL = Very Low = 1-4

**Discontinuity Type**  
 B = Bedding joint  
 J = Cross joint  
 F = Fault  
 S = Shear Plane

**Roughness**  
 RU = Rough undulating  
 RP = Rough planar  
 SU = Smooth undulating  
 SP = Smooth planar  
 LU = Slickensided undulating  
 LP = Slickensided planar

**Orientation**  
 F = Flat (0-20°)  
 D = Dipping (20-50°)  
 V = Near Vertical (>50°)

**Spacing**  
 VW = Very wide = >3m  
 W = Wide = 1-3m  
 M = Moderate = 0.3-1m  
 C = Close = 5-30cm  
 VC = Very close = <5cm

**Filling**  
 T = Tight, hard  
 O = Oxidized  
 SA = Slightly altered, clay free  
 S = Sandy, Clay free  
 Si = Sandy, silty, minor clay  
 NC = Non-softening clay  
 SC = Swelling, softening clay  
 N = No filling

**Weathering**  
 U = Unweathered (No signs)  
 S = Slightly (Oxidized)  
 M = Moderately (Discoloured)  
 H = Highly (Friable)  
 C = Completely (Soil-like)

**DISCONTINUITIES**

**Weathering**  
 U = Unweathered (No signs)  
 S = Slightly (Oxidized)  
 M = Moderately (Discoloured)  
 H = Highly (Friable)  
 C = Completely (Soil-like)

**Orientation**  
 F = Flat (0-20°)  
 D = Dipping (20-50°)  
 V = Near Vertical (>50°)

**Spacing**  
 VW = Very wide = >3m  
 W = Wide = 1-3m  
 M = Moderate = 0.3-1m  
 C = Close = 5-30cm  
 VC = Very close = <5cm

**Roughness**  
 RU = Rough undulating  
 RP = Rough planar  
 SU = Smooth undulating  
 SP = Smooth planar  
 LU = Slickensided undulating  
 LP = Slickensided planar

**Discontinuity Type**  
 B = Bedding joint  
 J = Cross joint  
 F = Fault  
 S = Shear Plane

**Strength (MPa)**  
 VH = Very High = >200  
 H = High = 50-200  
 M = Medium = 15-50  
 L = Low = 4-15  
 VL = Very Low = 1-4

**Weathering**  
 U = Unweathered (No signs)  
 S = Slightly (Oxidized)  
 M = Moderately (Discoloured)  
 H = Highly (Friable)  
 C = Completely (Soil-like)

**DISCONTINUITIES**

**Orientation**  
 F = Flat (0-20°)  
 D = Dipping (20-50°)  
 V = Near Vertical (>50°)

**Spacing**  
 VW = Very wide = >3m  
 W = Wide = 1-3m  
 M = Moderate = 0.3-1m  
 C = Close = 5-30cm  
 VC = Very close = <5cm

**Roughness**  
 RU = Rough undulating  
 RP = Rough planar  
 SU = Smooth undulating  
 SP = Smooth planar  
 LU = Slickensided undulating  
 LP = Slickensided planar

**Discontinuity Type**  
 B = Bedding joint  
 J = Cross joint  
 F = Fault  
 S = Shear Plane

**Strength (MPa)**  
 VH = Very High = >200  
 H = High = 50-200  
 M = Medium = 15-50  
 L = Low = 4-15  
 VL = Very Low = 1-4

**Weathering**  
 U = Unweathered (No signs)  
 S = Slightly (Oxidized)  
 M = Moderately (Discoloured)  
 H = Highly (Friable)  
 C = Completely (Soil-like)

## Full Rock Core Dry



## Full Rock Core Wet



-3 metre core of Archean Gneiss

**APPENDIX B**  
**Laboratory Test Data**

UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

CLAY & SILT

SAND

Fine

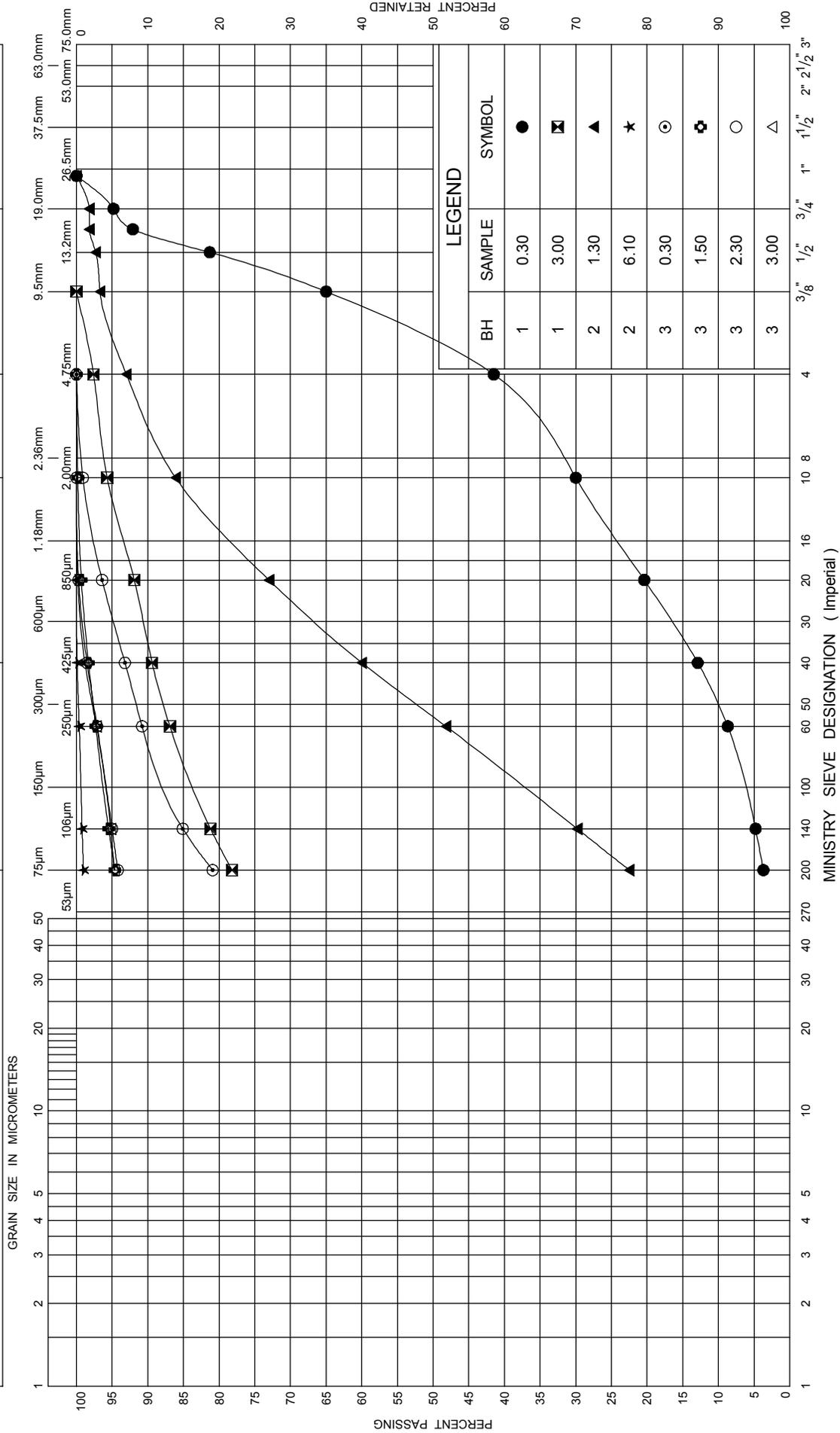
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GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION

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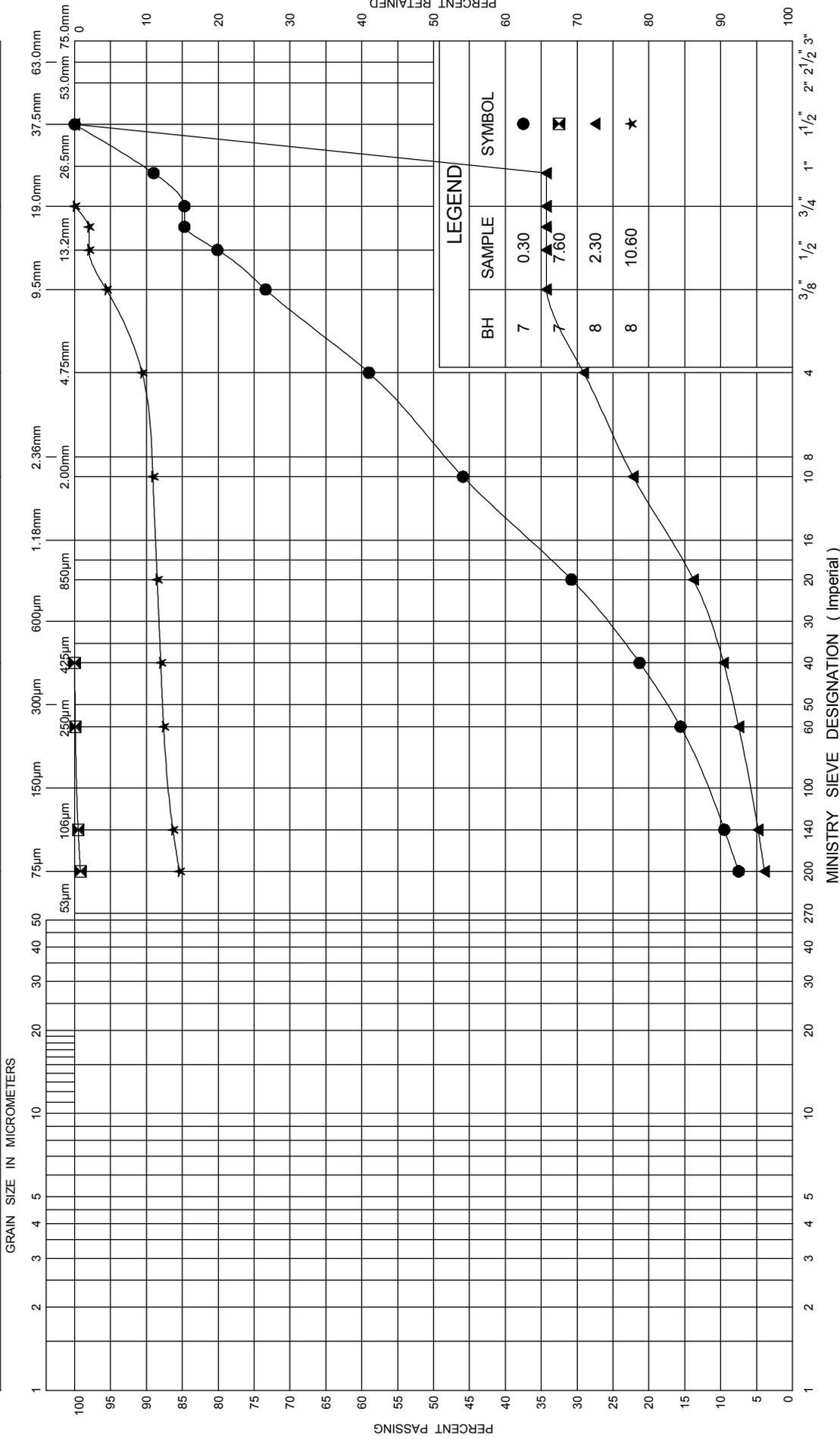
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UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

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		Fine	Medium	Coarse	Fine	Coarse



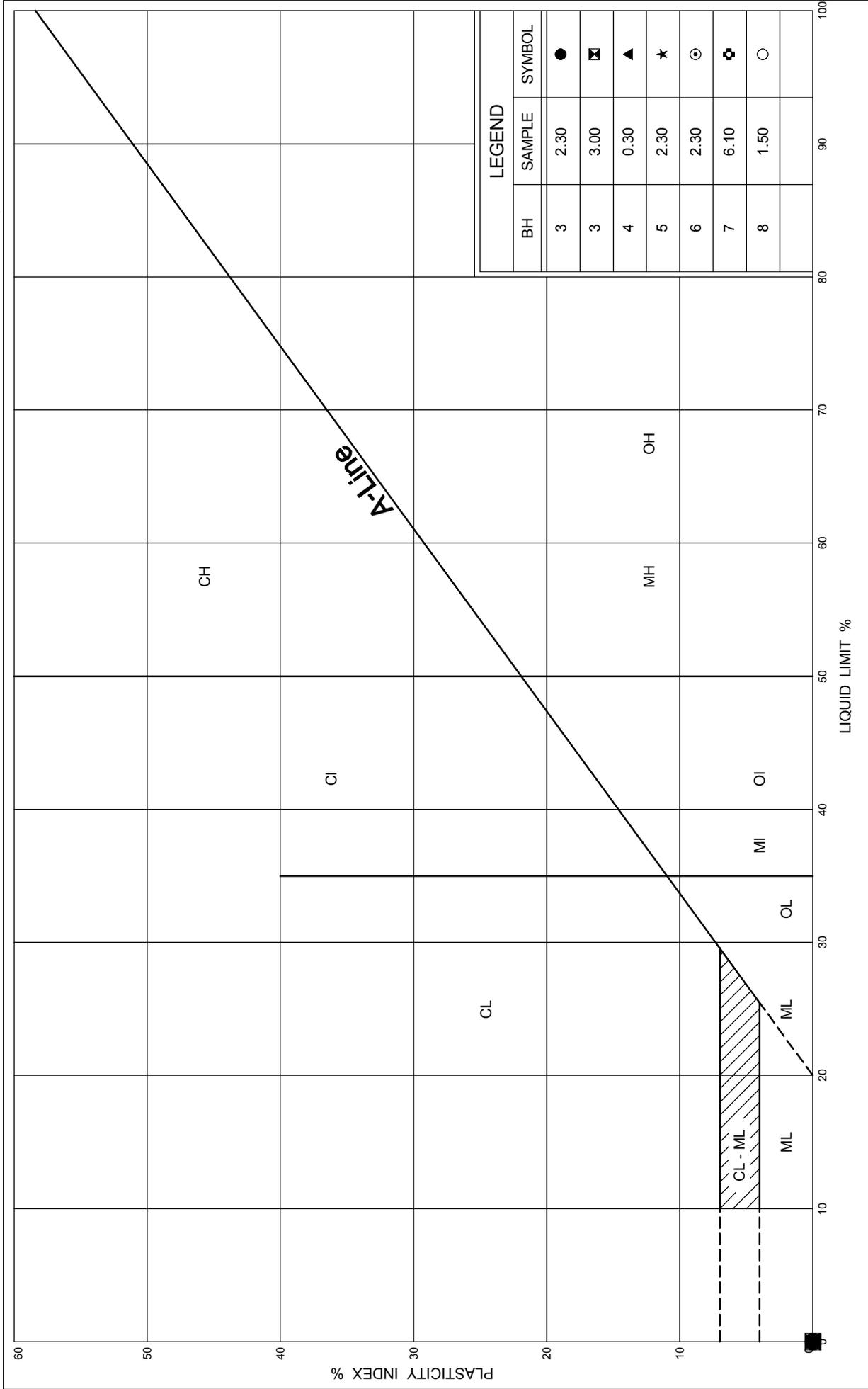
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# ALS ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYTICAL REPORT

Sample ID Description Sampled Date Sampled Time Client ID		L1851607-1 Soil 20-SEP-16 09:00 KNIFE CREEK - BH2 SS4				
Grouping	Analyte					
<b>SOIL</b>						
<b>Physical Tests</b>	Conductivity (mS/cm)	0.362				
	% Moisture (%)	12.1				
	pH (pH units)	7.78				
	Redox Potential (mV)	123				
	Resistivity (ohm*cm)	2760				
<b>Leachable Anions &amp; Nutrients</b>	Chloride (ppm)	91.8				
	Sulphide (as S) (mg/kg)	<0.20				
<b>Anions and Nutrients</b>	Sulphate (ppm)	42				

**APPENDIX C**  
**Borehole Locations and Soil Strata Drawing**

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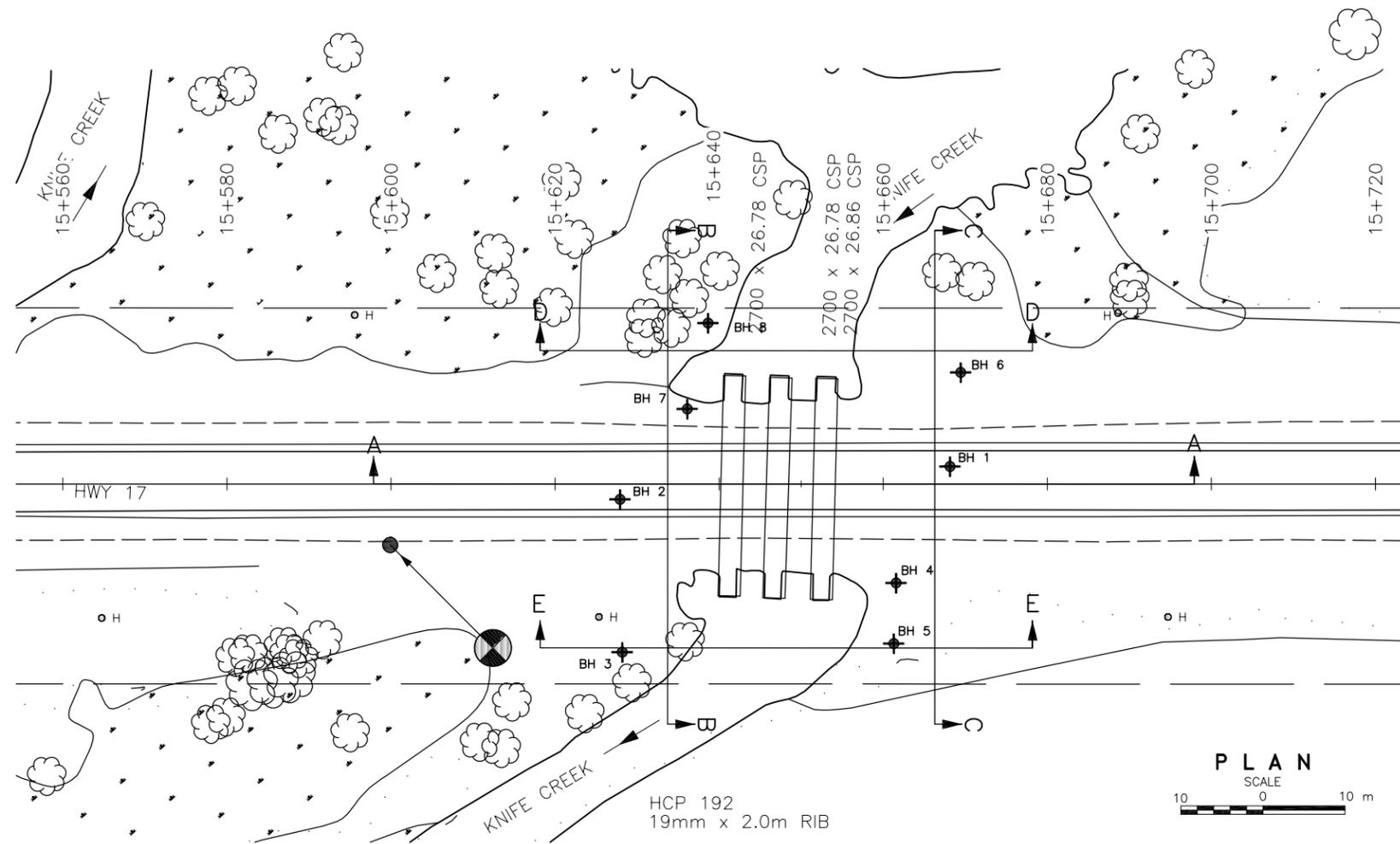
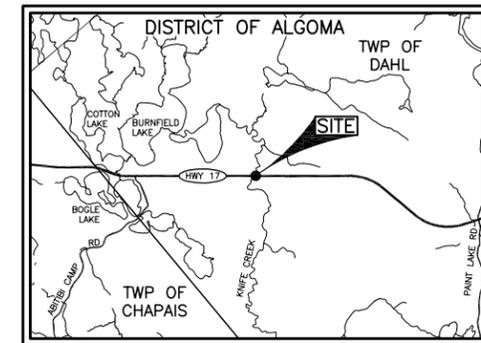
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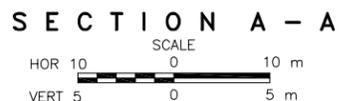
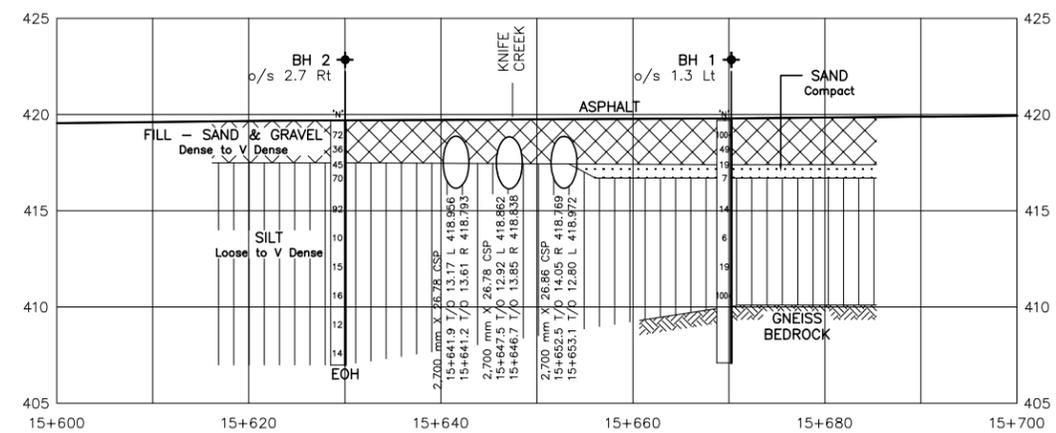
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	Borehole
'N'	Std Pen Test (Blows/0.3m)
	Water Level
	Water Level on Completion
EOH	End of Borehole
AR	Auger Refusal
oB	Bell Pole
oH	Hydro Pole
• RIB	Round Iron Bar



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		NORTH	EAST
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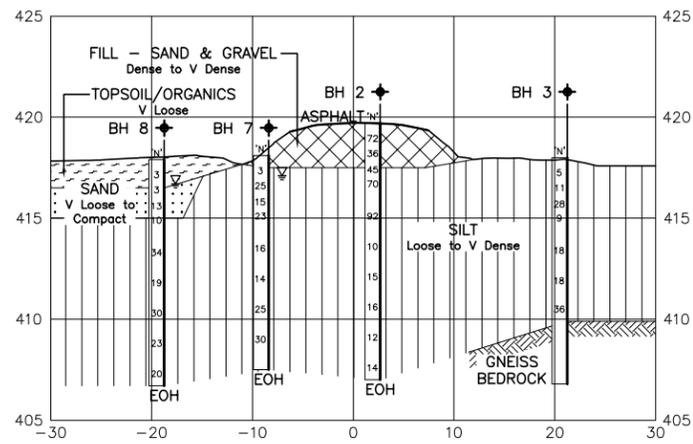
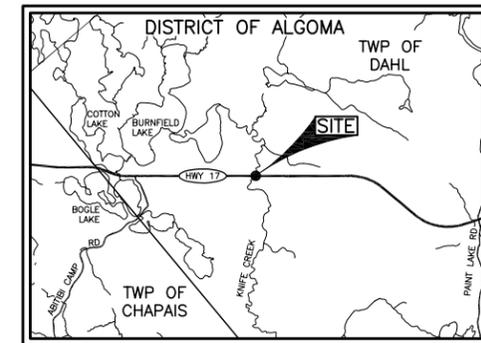
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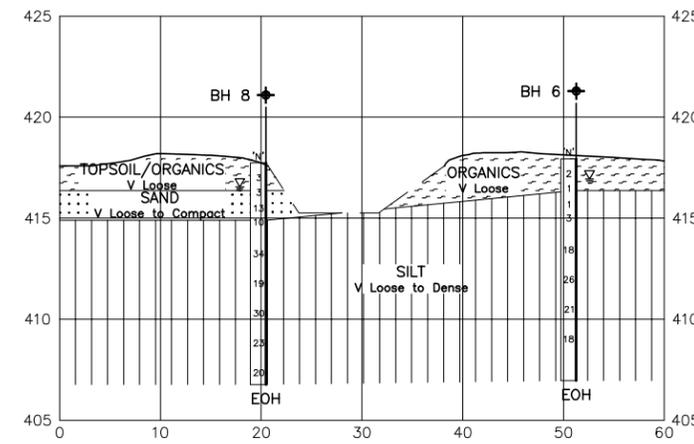
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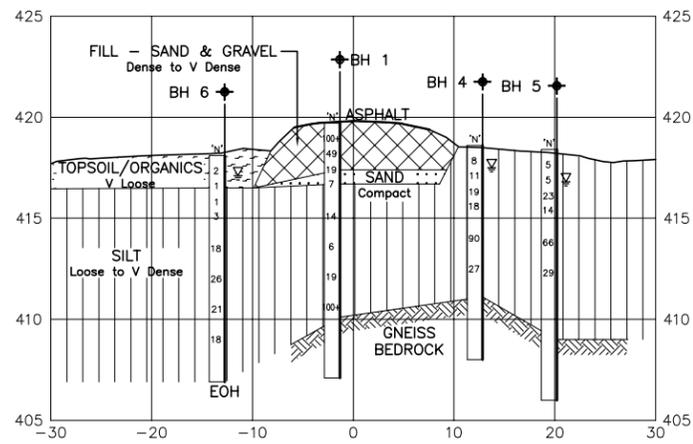
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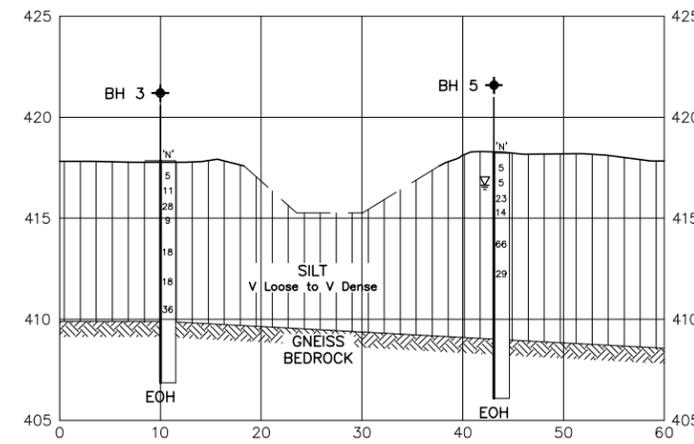
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SOIL STRATA SYMBOLS

	TOPSOIL/ ORGANICS		SILT
	FILL - SAND OR GRAVEL		GRAVEL
	SAND		BEDROCK

LEGEND

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