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*Geotechnical Engineering Report*



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Dear Mr. Mummert:

In accordance with Task Order No. 4 under Agreement No. 5901-C, we have prepared this geotechnical investigation report for the proposed California Department of Motor Vehicles facility to be located at the northwest corner of the intersection of East Dinuba Avenue and Orange Avenue in Reedley, California.

The accompanying report presents our findings, conclusions, and recommendations regarding the geotechnical aspects of the project as presently proposed. In our opinion, no adverse geotechnical conditions are present that would preclude development at the site provided the recommendations of this report are incorporated into the design and construction of the project.

Please contact us if you have any questions concerning the contents of this report or if we may be of further service.

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## **GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION**

### **1.0 PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

This report presents the results of our geotechnical investigation for the proposed construction of a new California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) field office to be located at the northwest corner of the intersection of East Dinuba Avenue and Orange Avenue in Reedley, California. The approximate site location is depicted on the Vicinity Map, Figure 1.

The purpose of our geotechnical investigation was to observe and sample the subsurface conditions encountered at the site and provide conclusions and recommendations relative to the geotechnical aspects of designing and constructing the new improvements as presently proposed.

To prepare this report, we performed the following scope of services:

- Performed a limited geologic literature review to aid in evaluating the geologic conditions present at the site. A list of referenced material is included in Section 9.0 of this report.
- Performed a site reconnaissance to review project limits, determine exploration equipment access, and mark out exploratory excavation locations.
- Notified subscribing utility companies via Underground Service Alert (USA) a minimum of two working days (as required by law) prior to performing exploratory excavations at the site.
- Drilled seven exploratory borings (B1 through B7) to depths ranging from approximately 5 to 51½ feet using a truck-mounted drill rig. The approximate boring locations are depicted on the Site Plan, Figure 2.
- Performed three borehole field infiltration tests (Inf1 through Inf3) within the proposed parking area, generally where the subgrade storm water retention area is planned. The field infiltration test locations are depicted on the Site Plan, Figure 2.
- Obtained representative soil samples from the borings.
- Logged the borings in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS).
- Upon completion, backfilled the borings with the excavated material.
- Performed laboratory tests to determine pertinent geotechnical parameters.
- Prepared this report summarizing our findings, conclusions, and recommendations regarding the geotechnical aspects of designing and constructing the project as presently proposed.

Details of our field exploration including boring logs and field infiltration test data sheets are presented in Appendix A. Approximate locations of the borings and infiltration tests, relative to the proposed project improvements, are shown on the Site Plan, Figure 2. Details of our laboratory testing program and test results are presented in Appendix B.

## **2.0 SITE AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The site consists of a currently undeveloped approximate 3.5-acre parcel located at the northwest corner of East Dinuba Avenue Orange Avenue in Reedley, California. At the time of our investigation, the site was vegetated with dry grasses and shrubs. The site is surrounded by residential development to the north and east, and commercial development to the south and west.

The project consists of constructing a new DMV field office at the site. Associated improvements will likely include underground utility infrastructure, paved drives and parking areas, concrete flatwork, a subgrade storm water retention system, and landscaping. The new building will likely be of steel-framed and concrete-masonry construction and will be supported on conventional shallow foundations. Existing site features and approximate locations of the proposed improvements are shown on the Site Plan, Figure 2.

## **3.0 SOIL AND GEOLOGIC CONDITIONS**

We identified soil and geologic conditions by observing exploratory borings and reviewing referenced geologic/geotechnical literature (Section 9.0). Descriptions provided below include the USCS symbol where applicable.

### **3.1 Site and Regional Geology**

The site is located within the Great Valley Geomorphic Province of California, more specifically referred to as the San Joaquin Valley. The San Joaquin Valley is a broad depression bounded by the Sierra Nevada range to the east and the Coast Ranges to the west. The San Joaquin Valley has been filled with a thick sequence of sediments derived from weathering of adjacent mountain ranges resulting in a stratigraphic section of Cretaceous, Tertiary, and Quaternary deposits.

Published geologic mapping depicts the site vicinity underlain by Quaternary-age Pleistocene non-marine deposits (map symbol Qc), which consists of interbedded mixtures of sand, silt, clay, and gravel (Matthews and Burnett, 1965).

### **3.2 Alluvium (Non-Marine Deposits)**

We encountered alluvium in each of our exploratory borings to the maximum depth explored of approximately 51 feet. The alluvium generally consisted of medium dense to very dense silty sand (SM), silty clayey sand (SC-SM), and hard lean clay (CL), sandy lean clay (CL), and silt with sand (ML). Cemented soil (Hardpan) materials were encountered at depths ranging from approximately 3 to 5 feet.

Soil conditions described in the previous paragraphs is generalized. The exploratory boring logs included in Appendix A detail soil type, color, moisture, consistency, and USCS classification of the soils encountered at specific locations and elevations.

### 3.4 Infiltration Testing and Results

We performed three field infiltration tests (falling head method) using a driven casing within a borehole (Inf1 through Inf3) to evaluate soil infiltration characteristics. The tests were performed as follows:

1. The tests were performed in approximately 8-inch diameter borings excavated to approximately 4 to 5 feet below existing grade.
2. A 3.25-inch inside-diameter standpipe was driven into the bottom of each boring.
3. Water was poured into the standpipes and the test zones were allowed to soak for approximately 24 hours.
4. The water level drop under an approximate 1-foot head was measured until a stabilized infiltration rate was obtained.
5. Upon test completion, the standpipes were removed and the borings were backfilled with the soil cuttings.

The approximate test locations are shown on the Site Plan, Figure 2. Stabilized Infiltration rates are summarized in Table 3.2. Field Infiltration Test Data Sheets are presented in Appendix A.

**TABLE 3.2  
SUMMARY OF INFILTRATION TEST RESULTS**

Test Hole No.	Approximate Depth of Infiltration Test (feet)	USCS Soil Classification	Stabilized Infiltration Rate (inch/hour)
Inf1	5.0	Silty clayey Sand (SC-SM)	2.9
Inf2	5.5	Silty clayey Sand (SC-SM)	3.8
Inf3	4.0	Silty clayey Sand (SC-SM)	5.8

Soil infiltration rates are strongly influenced by soil type (percentage of fines), density, moisture content, and other factors. A small change in clay/silt content can greatly reduce/increase percolation rates. Therefore, we recommend applying an appropriate safety factor (2 or more) to account for variability in the measured percolation rates.

### 4.0 GROUNDWATER

We did not encounter groundwater in our borings performed on September 27, 2018, (maximum depth of 51 feet). We reviewed available depth-to-groundwater data on the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) Groundwater Information Center Interactive Map Application (GICIMA) ([https://gis.water.ca.gov/app/gicima/#bookmark\\_DepthBelowGroundSurface](https://gis.water.ca.gov/app/gicima/#bookmark_DepthBelowGroundSurface)). The GICIMA website indicates depth-to-groundwater at the site is approximately 70 feet (Fall 2017).

It should be noted that fluctuations in the level of groundwater may occur due to variations in precipitation, temperature, seasonal fluctuations, and other factors. Therefore, it is possible that future groundwater may be higher or lower than the levels observed during our investigation.

## 5.0 GEOLOGIC HAZARDS

### 5.1 Regional Active Faults

Based on our research, analyses, and observations, the site is not located on any known “active” earthquake fault trace. In addition, the site is not contained within an Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone. Therefore, we consider the potential for ground rupture due to onsite active faulting to be low.

In order to determine the distance of known active faults within 50 miles of the site, we used the 2013 Caltrans Fault Database KML overlay file for Google Earth. Principal references used within the 2013 Caltrans Fault Database are Jennings and Bryant Fault Activity Map of California (2010) and The Working Group on California Earthquake Predictions (WGCEP), Uniform California Earthquake Rupture Forecast Version 3. Results are summarized in Table 5.1.

**TABLE 5.1  
REGIONAL ACTIVE FAULTS**

Fault Name	Approximate Distance From Site (miles)	Maximum Moment Magnitude (M <sub>w</sub> )
Great Valley 14 (Kettleman Hills)	48.7	7.1
Great Valley 13 (Coalinga)	48.8	7.0

### 5.2 Ground Shaking

We used the United States Geological Survey (USGS) *Unified Hazard Tool* (<https://earthquake.usgs.gov/hazards/interactive/>) to determine the deaggregated seismic source parameters including controlling magnitude and fault distance. The USGS estimated modal magnitude is 5.1 and the estimated Peak Ground Acceleration (PGA) for the Maximum Considered Earthquake (MCE) with a 2,475-year return period is 0.26g.

While listing PGA is useful for comparison of potential effects of fault activity in a region, other considerations are important in seismic design, including frequency and duration of motion and soil conditions underlying the site. The site could be subjected to ground shaking in the event of an earthquake along the faults mentioned above or other area faults.

### 5.3 Liquefaction

Liquefaction is a phenomenon in which saturated cohesionless soils are subject to a temporary loss of shear strength due to pore pressure buildup under the cyclic shear stresses associated with intense earthquakes. Based on the relatively dense nature of the subsurface conditions encountered at the site and groundwater conditions, liquefaction is not considered a hazard for the project.

#### **5.4 Slope Stability**

Due to the relatively flat site topography, we do not consider slope instability to be a hazard for the site.

#### **5.5 Expansive Soil**

Laboratory Plasticity Index (PI) and Expansion Index (EI) tests on selected near-surface soil samples indicate low plasticity and corresponding low expansion potential. Expansive soil is not considered a constraint for the site. Specific design measures or mitigation with respect to expansive soils is not necessary.

#### **5.6 Soil Corrosion Screening**

We performed a soil corrosion potential screening by conducting laboratory testing on a representative near-surface soil sample. The laboratory test results and published screening levels are presented in Appendix B.

## 6.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### 6.1 General

- 6.1.1 No soil or geologic conditions were encountered during our investigation that would preclude construction of improvements at the site as planned, provided the recommendations contained in this report are incorporated into the design and construction of the project.
- 6.1.2 The primary geotechnical constraint at the site is the presence of cemented soil (hardpan) materials at depths ranging from approximately 3 to 5 feet. Hardpan materials may impact excavations at the site. Hardpan materials can also cause perched water conditions to develop at shallow depths (after prolonged heavy rainfall events or runoff) creating soft unstable near surface soils and can impact construction operations at the site.
- 6.1.3 Conclusions and recommendations provided in this report are based on our review of referenced literature, analysis of data obtained from our exploratory field exploration, laboratory testing program, and our understanding of the proposed development at this time.
- 6.1.4 We should review the project plans as they develop further, provide engineering consultation as needed during final design, and perform geotechnical observation and testing services during construction.

### 6.2 Seismic Design Criteria

- 6.2.1 Seismic design of the structures should be performed in accordance with the provisions of the 2016 California Building Code (CBC) which is based on the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) publication: *Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures* (ASCE 7-10). We used the United States Geological Survey (USGS) web application *US Seismic Design Maps* (<http://earthquake.usgs.gov/designmaps/us/application.php>) to evaluate site-specific seismic design parameters in accordance with the 2016 CBC/ASCE 7-10. Results are summarized in Table 6.2.1. The values presented are for the risk-targeted maximum considered earthquake ( $MCE_R$ ).

**TABLE 6.2.1  
2016 CBC SEISMIC DESIGN PARAMETERS**

Parameter	Value	2016 CBC / ASCE 7-10 Reference
Site Class	D	Section 1613.3.2/ Table 20.3-1
MCE <sub>R</sub> Ground Motion Spectral Response Acceleration – Class B (short), S <sub>S</sub>	0.536g	Figure 1613.3.1(1) / Figure 22-1
MCE <sub>R</sub> Ground Motion Spectral Response Acceleration – Class B (1 sec), S <sub>1</sub>	0.235g	Figure 1613.3.1(2) / Figure 22-2
Site Coefficient, F <sub>A</sub>	1.371	Table 1613.3.3(1) / Table 11.4-1
Site Coefficient, F <sub>V</sub>	1.930	Table 1613.3.3(2) / Table 11.4-2
Site Class Modified MCE <sub>R</sub> Spectral Response Acceleration (short), S <sub>MS</sub>	0.735g	Eq. 16-37 / Eq. 11.4-1
Site Class Modified MCE <sub>R</sub> Spectral Response Acceleration (1 sec), S <sub>M1</sub>	0.454g	Eq. 16-38 / Eq. 11.4-2
5% Damped Design Spectral Response Acceleration (short), S <sub>DS</sub>	0.490g	Eq. 16-39 / Eq. 11.4-3
5% Damped Design Spectral Response Acceleration (1 sec), S <sub>D1</sub>	0.303g	Eq. 16-40 / Eq. 11.4-4

6.2.2 Table 6.2.2 presents additional seismic design parameters for projects with Seismic Design Categories of D through F in accordance with ASCE 7-10 for the mapped maximum considered geometric mean (MCE<sub>G</sub>).

**TABLE 6.2.2  
2016 CBC SITE ACCELERATION DESIGN PARAMETERS**

Parameter	Value	ASCE 7-10 Reference
Mapped MCE <sub>G</sub> Peak Ground Acceleration, PGA	0.191g	Figure 22-7
Site Coefficient, F <sub>PGA</sub>	1.418	Table 11.8-1
Site Class Modified MCE <sub>G</sub> Peak Ground Acceleration, PGA <sub>M</sub>	0.271g	Section 11.8.3 (Eq. 11.8-1)

6.2.3 Conformance to the criteria presented in Tables 6.2.1 and 6.2.2 for seismic design does not constitute any kind of guarantee or assurance that significant structural damage or ground failure will not occur if a maximum level earthquake occurs. The primary goal of seismic design is to protect life and not to avoid structural damage, since such design may be economically prohibitive.

### 6.3 Soil and Excavation Characteristics

6.3.1 In our opinion, grading and excavations at the site may be accomplished with standard to moderate effort using heavy-duty grading/excavation equipment. Increased excavation effort should be expected in the hardpan materials. We do not anticipate excavations to generate

oversized material (greater than 6 inches in dimension). Hardpan cementations should break down to 6-inch minus under the action of construction equipment.

- 6.3.2 Temporary excavation slopes must meet Cal-OSHA requirements as appropriate. Excavation sloping, benching, the use of trench shields, and the placement of trench spoils should conform to the latest applicable Cal-OSHA standards. The contractor should have a Cal-OSHA-approved “competent person” onsite during excavation to evaluate trench conditions and to make appropriate recommendations where necessary. It is the contractor’s responsibility to provide sufficient and safe excavation support as well as protecting nearby utilities, structures, and other improvements, which may be damaged by earth movements.
- 6.3.3 The excavation support recommendations provided by Cal-OSHA are generally geared towards protecting human life and not necessarily towards preventing damage to nearby structures or surface improvements. The contractor should be responsible for using the proper active shoring systems or sloping to prevent damage to any structure or improvements near underground excavations.
- 6.3.4 If grading operations during or after the wet season (typically winter and spring), or in periods of precipitation, in-place soils may be wet and unstable due to the presence of hardpan soils at shallow depths (approximately 3 to 5 feet).
- 6.3.5 Earthwork operations in these conditions will likely be difficult with low productivity. Often, a period of at least one month of warm and dry weather is necessary to allow the site to dry sufficiently so that heavy grading equipment can operate effectively. Conversely, during dry summer and fall months, dry clay soils may require additional grading effort (discing, mixing, or other means) to attain proper moisture conditioning.
- 6.3.6 Permanent cut and fill slopes, if any, should be constructed no steeper than 2H:1V (horizontal to vertical).

#### **6.4 Materials for Fill**

- 6.4.1 Excavated soil generated from cut operations at the site are suitable for use as engineered fill in structural areas provided they are screened to exclude significant organics/roots and oversize materials (rock greater than 6 inches in maximum dimension).
- 6.4.2 Import fill soil should be primarily granular with a “very low” expansion potential (Expansion Index less than 20), a Plasticity Index less than 15, be free of organic material and construction debris, and not contain rock larger than 6 inches in greatest dimension.

6.4.3 Environmental characteristics and corrosion potential of import soil materials should also be considered. Proposed import materials should be sampled, tested, and approved by Geocon prior to its transportation to the site.

## **6.5 Grading**

6.5.1 Earthwork operations should be observed and fills tested for recommended compaction and moisture content by a representative of our firm.

6.5.2 References to relative compaction and optimum moisture content in this report are based on the latest American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) D1557 Test Procedure. Structural building pad areas should be considered as areas extending a minimum of 5 feet horizontally beyond the outside dimensions of the building plus the surrounding flatwork.

6.5.3 Prior to commencing grading, a pre-construction conference with representatives of the client, grading contractor, and Geocon should be held at the site. Site preparation, soil handling and/or the grading plans should be discussed at the pre-construction conference.

6.5.4 Site preparation should begin with removal of existing vegetation and debris. Excavations or depressions resulting from site clearing operations, or other existing excavations or depressions, should be restored with engineered fill in accordance with the recommendations of this report.

6.5.5 The bottom of cut areas, areas left at grade, and areas to receive fill should be scarified at least 12 inches, uniformly moisture-conditioned at or above optimum moisture content and compacted to at least 90% relative compaction. Scarification and re-compaction operations should be performed in the presence of our representative to evaluate performance of the subgrade under compaction equipment loading and to identify any areas that may require additional removals.

6.5.6 Engineered fill should be compacted in horizontal lifts not exceeding 8 inches (loose thickness) and brought to final design elevations. Each lift should be moisture-conditioned at or above optimum moisture content, and compacted to at least 90% relative compaction.

6.5.7 The top 12 inches of building pads and final flatwork subgrade, whether completed at-grade, by excavation, or by filling, should be uniformly moisture-conditioned at or above optimum moisture content and compacted to at least 90% relative compaction.

6.5.8 The top 6 inches of final vehicular pavement subgrade, whether completed at-grade, by excavation, or by filling, should be uniformly moisture-conditioned at or above optimum moisture content and compacted to at least 95% relative compaction. Final pavement

subgrade should be finished to a smooth, unyielding surface. We further recommend proof-rolling the subgrade with a loaded water truck (or similar equipment with high contact pressure) to verify the stability of the subgrade prior to placing AB. The subgrade minimum moisture content should be verified by testing within 24 hours prior to the placement of AB.

- 6.5.9 Pipe bedding, shading, and trench backfill should conform to the requirements of the appropriate utility authority. Material excavated from trenches should be adequate for use as general backfill above shading provided it does not contain deleterious matter, vegetation, or cementations larger than 6 inches in maximum dimension. Trench backfill should be placed in loose lifts not exceeding 8 inches, moisture-conditioned at or above optimum and compacted to at least 90% relative compaction. Compaction should be performed by mechanical means only; jetting of trench backfill is not recommended.

## **6.6 Foundation Design Criteria**

- 6.6.1 Provided the building pad is graded in accordance with the recommendations of this report, the proposed new structure may be supported on a conventional shallow foundation bearing on engineered fill or undisturbed native soil.
- 6.6.2 Foundations should consist of continuous strip footings, isolated spread footings, or combinations thereof. Continuous footings should be at least 12 inches wide and spread footings should be at least 18 inches square. All footings should be embedded at least 12 inches below lowest adjacent exterior grade.
- 6.6.3 Underground utilities running parallel to footings should not be constructed in the zone of influence of footings. The zone of influence may be taken to be the area beneath the footing and within a 1:1 plane extending out and down from the bottom of the footing.
- 6.6.4 The project structural engineer should determine footing reinforcement based on the structural requirements. However, we recommend strip footings be reinforced with at least four No. 4 reinforcing bars, two each placed near the top and bottom of the footing to allow footings to span isolated soil irregularities.
- 6.6.5 Shallow foundations may be designed for an allowable bearing capacity of 3,000 pounds per square foot (psf) for dead plus live loads with a one-third increase for transient loads, including wind and seismic.
- 6.6.6 Allowable passive pressure used to resist lateral movement of footings may be assumed to be equal to a fluid weighing 330 pounds per cubic foot (pcf). The allowable coefficient of friction to resist sliding of footings is 0.30 for concrete against soil. Combined passive resistance and friction may be utilized for footing design provided that the frictional resistance is reduced by 50%.

- 6.6.7 Foundations designed in accordance with the recommendations above should experience total settlement of less than one inch and differential settlement of ½ inch or less over a distance of 50 feet. The majority of settlement will be immediate and occur as the building is constructed.
- 6.6.8 A Geocon representative should observe foundation excavations prior to placing reinforcing steel or concrete to observe that the exposed soil conditions are consistent with those anticipated. If unanticipated soil conditions are encountered, foundation modifications may be required.

## **6.7 Interior Slabs-on-Grade**

- 6.7.1 Interior concrete slab-on-grade floors in conjunction with conventional foundation systems recommended in this report are suitable for the proposed building. Slab thickness and reinforcement should be determined by the structural engineer based on the anticipated loading. However, at a minimum, slabs should be at least 4 inches thick and reinforced with No. 3 reinforcing bars placed 24 inches on center, each way. Structural requirements may require additional reinforcement or thicker concrete slabs.
- 6.7.2 If the near-surface soils of building pads become dry prior to constructing concrete slabs-on-grade, building pads should be re-moistened by soaking or sprinkling such that the upper 12 inches of soil is at or above optimum moisture content at least 24 hours before concrete placement.

## **6.8 Concrete Moisture Protection Considerations**

- 6.8.1 Migration of moisture through concrete slabs or moisture otherwise released from slabs is not a geotechnical issue. However, for the convenience of the owner, we are providing the following general suggestions for consideration by the owner, architect, structural engineer, and contractor. The suggested procedures may reduce the potential for moisture-related floor covering failures on concrete slabs-on-grade, but moisture problems may still occur even if the procedures are followed. If more detailed recommendations are desired, we recommend consulting a specialist in this field.
- 6.8.2 A minimum 10-mil-thick vapor barrier meeting ASTM E1745-97 Class C requirements may be placed directly below the slab, without a sand cushion provided the concrete water/cement ratio is 0.45 or less. To reduce the potential for punctures, a higher quality vapor barrier (15 mil, Class A or B) may be used. The vapor barrier, if used, should extend to the edges of the slab, and should be sealed at all seams and penetrations.
- 6.8.3 At least 4 inches of ½- or ¾-inch crushed rock, with no more than 5 percent passing the No. 200 sieve, may be placed below the vapor barrier to serve as a capillary break.
- 6.8.4 The concrete water/cement ratio should be as low as possible. The water/cement ratio should not exceed 0.45 for concrete placed directly on the vapor barrier. This is critically important

to reduce the potential for differential curing and excessive shrinkage cracks. Midrange plasticizers could be used to facilitate concrete placement and workability.

- 6.8.5 Proper finishing, curing, and moisture vapor emission testing should be performed in accordance with the latest guidelines provided by the American Concrete Institute, Portland Cement Association, and ASTM.

## **6.9 Exterior Concrete Flatwork**

- 6.9.1 Onsite exterior concrete flatwork will likely experience seasonal movement. Therefore, some cracking and/or vertical offset should be anticipated. We are providing the following recommendations to reduce distress to concrete flatwork. Recommendations include moisture conditioning subgrade soils, providing deepened cut-off curbs (turned-down edges) adjacent to landscaped areas, using aggregate underlayment, and providing adequate construction and control joints. It should be noted that even with implementation of these measures, slab movement or cracking could still occur.

- Concrete flatwork and sidewalks should be at least 4 inches thick and underlain by at least 4 inches of Class 2 AB compacted to at least 95% relative compaction. In addition, doweling could be provided at joints to reduce the potential for vertical offset.
- The upper 12 inches of subgrade soil for exterior flatwork and sidewalks should be uniformly moisture-conditioned at or above optimum content and compacted to at least 90% relative compaction prior to placing AB.
- We recommend using construction and control joints in accordance with ACI and/or PCA guidelines. Construction joints that abut building foundations should include a felt strip, or approved equivalent, that extends the full depth of the exterior slab. Exterior slabs should be structurally independent of building foundations except at doorways, where vertical movement could impact doorway operation.
- To reduce the potential for concrete cracking, exterior concrete flatwork could be reinforced with No. 3 reinforcing bars spaced 24 inches center to center, each way.
- To reduce the potential for water from landscaped areas migrating under flatwork into the aggregate underlayment, consideration should be given to using full-depth curbs in areas where flatwork abuts irrigated landscaping. The full-depth curbs should be at least 4 inches wide and extend at least 4 inches or more into the soil subgrade beneath the AB.

## **6.10 Pavement – Hot Mix Asphalt**

- 6.10.1 We collected several near-surface soil bulk samples (upper 5 feet) and tested for Resistance-Value (R-Value) in accordance with California Test Method (CTM) 301. The resulting R-Value was 61. To account for subgrade soil variability, we consider an R-Value of 50 to be applicable for design.

6.10.2 The project civil engineer should determine the appropriate Traffic Index (TI) for pavement design. Table 6.10 provides alternative pavement sections based on the design methods of Caltrans' *Highway Design Manual* for various TIs. We can provide additional section designs upon request.

**TABLE 6.10  
FLEXIBLE PAVEMENT SECTIONS**

Traffic Index	5.0	5.5	6.0	7.0
HMA (in.)	3.0	3.5	3.5	4.0
AB (in.)	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.5
Total Section Thickness (in.)	7.0	7.5	7.5	8.5

- 6.10.3 The recommended alternative pavement sections are based on the following assumptions:
1. Subgrade soil has an R-Value of 50.
  2. Class 2 AB has a minimum R-Value of 78 and meets the requirements of Section 26 of Caltrans' latest *Standard Specifications*.
  3. Class 2 AB is compacted to 95% or higher relative compaction at or above optimum moisture content. Prior to placing AC, the AB should be proof-rolled with a loaded water truck to verify stability.
  4. AC should conform to Section 39 of Caltrans' latest *Standard Specifications*.

6.10.4 Asphalt pavement section recommendations for driveways and parking areas are based on the design procedures of Caltrans' *Highway Design Manual* (Design Manual), Chapter 600, updated November 20, 2017. It should be noted that most rational pavement design procedures are based on projected street or highway traffic conditions and, hence, may not be representative of vehicular loading that occurs in parking lots and driveways. Pavement proximity to landscape irrigation, reduced traffic speed and short turning radii increase the potential for pavement distress to occur in parking lots even though the volume of traffic is significantly less than that of an adjacent street. The *Design Manual* indicates that the resulting pavement sections for parking lots are "minimized to keep initial costs down but are reasonable because additional AC surfacing can be added later, if needed, and generally without incurring traffic hazards or traffic handling problems." It is generally not economically feasible to design and construct the entire parking lot and driveways for the unique loading conditions previously described. Periodic maintenance of the pavement in these areas, therefore, should be anticipated.

## 6.11 Rigid Concrete Pavement

6.11.1 Table 6.11 provides alternative rigid concrete pavement sections based on the design procedures outlined in ACI 330 (Chapter 2 – Pavement Design – *Guide for Design and*

*Construction of Concrete Parking Lots*). The project civil engineer should determine the appropriate traffic category for pavement design throughout the project. Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) pavement should be underlain by at least 4 inches of Class 2 AB meeting the requirements of Section 26 of Caltrans' *Standard Specifications* and compacted to at least 95% relative compaction. Subgrade soils should be prepared and compacted in accordance with the recommendations of this report.

**TABLE 6.11  
RIGID CONCRETE PAVEMENT SECTIONS**

Traffic Category	A <sup>1</sup>	A-1 <sup>2</sup>	B <sup>3</sup>	C <sup>4</sup>
PCC (inches)	4.0	4.5	5.0	6.0
AB (inches)	4.0			
Total Section Thickness (inches)	8.0	8.5	9.0	10.0

Notes: 1. Car parking areas and access lanes (autos, pickups, and panel trucks only).  
 2. Truck access lanes.  
 3. Parking area and interior lanes (truck type: single units – bobtailed trucks).  
 4. Entrance and exterior lanes, and truck parking areas (truck type: single units – bobtailed trucks).

6.11.2 PCC should have a minimum 28-day compressive strength of 3,500 pounds per square inch (psi). Adequate construction and crack control joints should be used to control cracking inherent in concrete construction. It would be advantageous to provide minimal reinforcement, such as No. 3 steel bars placed 18 inches on center in both horizontal directions to help control cracking.

6.11.3 In general, we recommend that concrete pavements be designed, constructed, and maintained in accordance with industry standards such as those provided by the ACI Committee and American Concrete Pavement Association.

**6.12 Drainage**

6.12.1 Adequate drainage is imperative to reduce the potential for erosion and subsurface seepage. Care should be taken to properly grade the finished surface around the building pad after the structure and other improvements are in place, so that drainage water is directed away from the building and toward appropriate drainage facilities. Final grade should slope a minimum of 2% away from the structure.

6.12.2 Experience has shown that even with these provisions, subsurface seepage may develop in areas where no such water conditions existed prior to site development. This is particularly true where a substantial increase in surface water infiltration has resulted from an increase in landscape irrigation.

## **7.0 FURTHER GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES**

### **7.1 Plan and Specification Review**

We should review the improvement plans and specifications prior to final design submittal to assess whether our recommendations have been properly implemented and evaluate if additional analysis and/or recommendations are required.

### **7.2 Testing and Observation Services**

The recommendations provided in this report are based on the assumption that we will continue as Geotechnical Engineer of Record throughout the construction phase. It is important to maintain continuity of geotechnical interpretation and confirm that field conditions encountered are similar to those anticipated during design. If we are not retained for these services, we cannot assume any responsibility for other's interpretation of our recommendations or the future performance of the project.

## **8.0 LIMITATIONS AND UNIFORMITY OF CONDITIONS**

The recommendations of this report pertain only to the site investigated and are based upon the assumption that the soil conditions do not deviate from those disclosed in the investigation. If any variations or undesirable conditions are encountered during construction, or if the proposed construction will differ from that anticipated herein, Geocon should be notified so that supplemental recommendations can be given. The evaluation or identification of the potential presence of hazardous materials or environmental contamination was not part of the scope of services provided by Geocon.

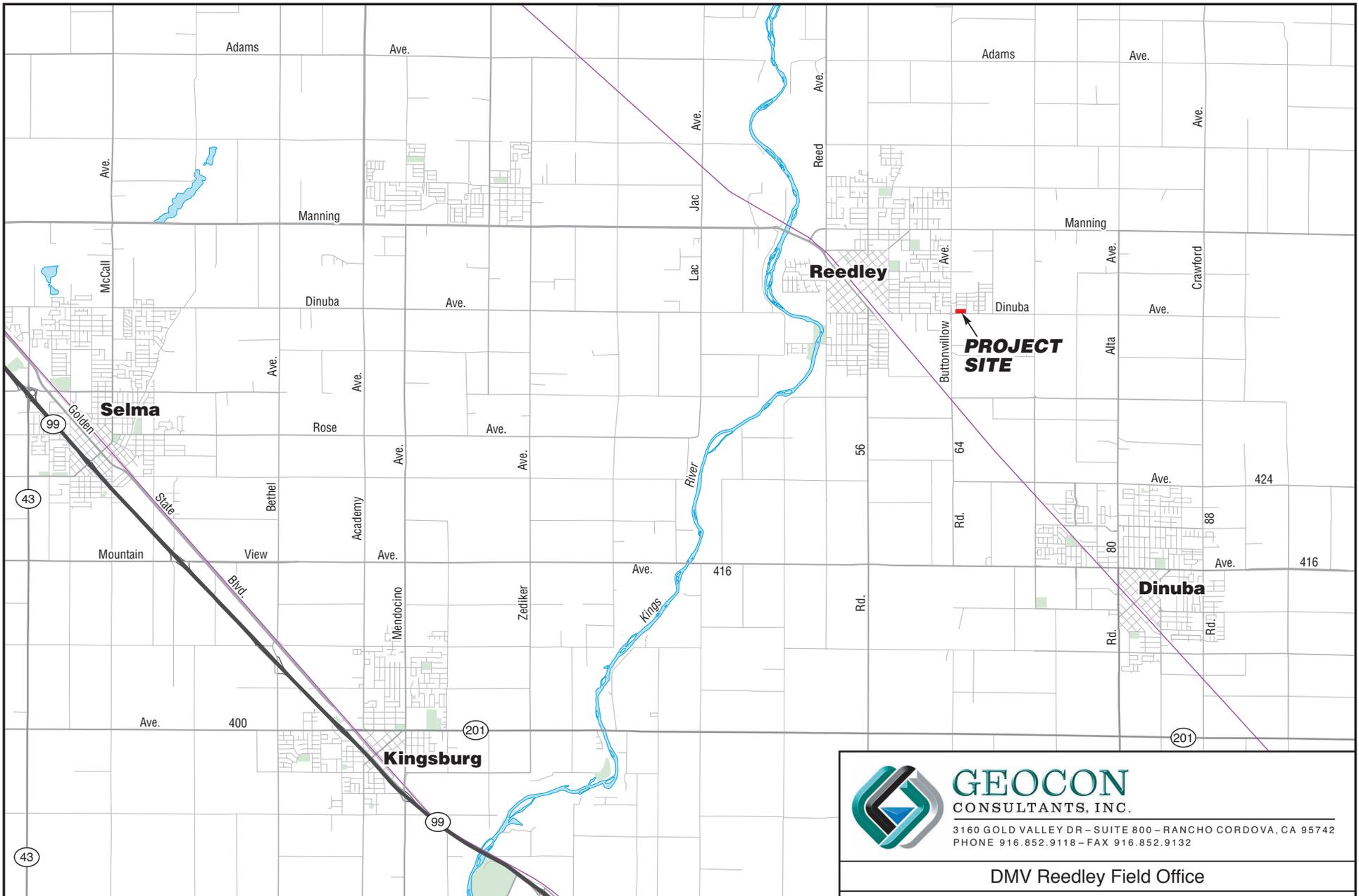
This report is issued with the understanding that it is the responsibility of the owner or their representative to ensure that the information and recommendations contained herein are brought to the attention of the design team for the project and incorporated into the plans and specifications, and the necessary steps are taken to see that the contractor and subcontractors carry out such recommendations in the field.

The recommendations contained in this report are preliminary until verified during construction by representatives of our firm. Changes in the conditions of a property can occur with the passage of time, whether they are due to natural processes or the works of man on this or adjacent properties. Additionally, changes in applicable or appropriate standards may occur, whether they result from legislation or the broadening of knowledge. Accordingly, the findings of this report may be invalidated partially or wholly by changes outside our control. Therefore, this report is subject to review and should not be relied upon after a period of three years.

Our professional services were performed, our findings obtained, and our recommendations prepared in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering principles and practices used in this area at this time. No warranty is provided, express or implied.

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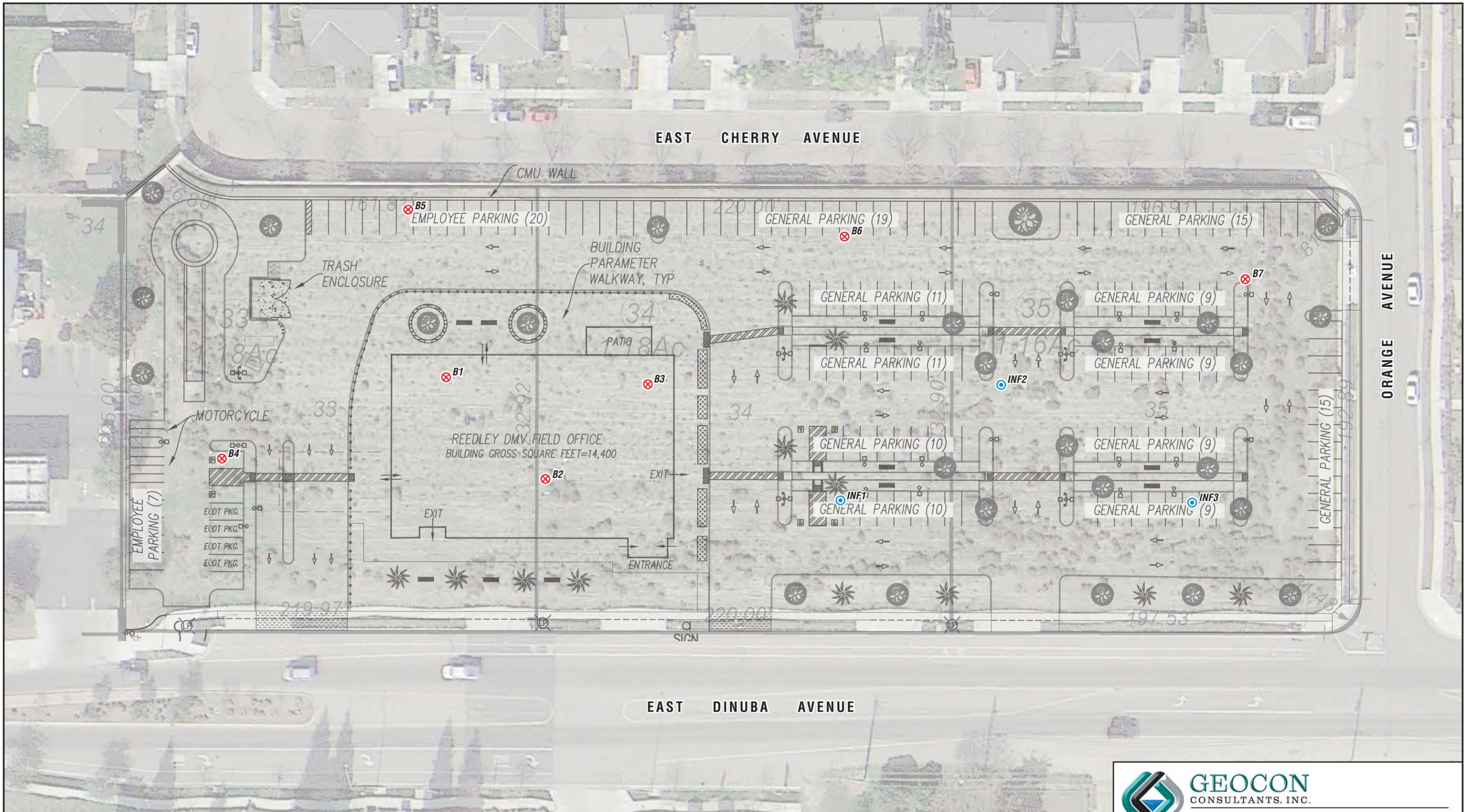
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Figure 1



Scale in Miles



LEGEND:

- B7** ⊗ Approximate Boring Location
- INF3** ⊙ Approximate Infiltration Test Location



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**SITE PLAN**

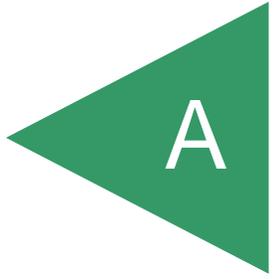
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Figure 2

APPENDIX

A



## **APPENDIX A**

### **FIELD EXPLORATION**

Our geotechnical field investigation program was performed on September 27 and 28, 2018. Our investigation consisted of drilling seven exploratory borings (B1 through B7) and performing three field infiltration tests (standpipe method) (Inf1 through Inf3). The approximate locations are shown on the Site Plan, Figure 2.

Borings were performed using a truck-mounted drill rig equipped with 8-inch outside diameter (OD) hollow-stem augers and 6-inch OD solid flight augers. The drill rig sampled the soil using an automatic 140-pound hammer with a 30-inch drop. We obtained samples using a 3-inch OD split-spoon (California Modified) sampler and 2-inch OD Standard Penetration Test (SPT) sampler. We recorded the number of blows required to drive the sampler the last 12 inches (or portion thereof) of the 18-inch sampling interval on the boring logs. Upon completion, the borings were backfilled with soil cuttings generated from the borings.

Subsurface conditions encountered in the exploratory borings were visually examined, classified and logged in general accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Practice for Description and Identification of Soils (Visual-Manual Procedure D2488-90). This system uses the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) for soil designations. The logs depict soil and geologic conditions encountered and depths at which samples were obtained. Where applicable, the field logs were revised based on subsequent laboratory testing. Logs of the exploratory borings as well as Field Infiltration Test Data sheets are presented herein.

## UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION

MAJOR DIVISIONS			TYPICAL NAMES	
COARSE-GRAINED SOILS MORE THAN HALF IS COARSER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE	GRAVELS MORE THAN HALF COARSE FRACTION IS LARGER THAN NO. 4 SIEVE SIZE	CLEAN GRAVELS WITH LITTLE OR NO FINES	GW	WELL GRADED GRAVELS WITH OR WITHOUT SAND, LITTLE OR NO FINES
		GRAVELS WITH OVER 12% FINES	GP	POORLY GRADED GRAVELS WITH OR WITHOUT SAND, LITTLE OR NO FINES
			GM	SILTY GRAVELS, SILTY GRAVELS WITH SAND
		GC	CLAYEY GRAVELS, CLAYEY GRAVELS WITH SAND	
	SANDS MORE THAN HALF COARSE FRACTION IS SMALLER THAN NO. 4 SIEVE SIZE	CLEAN SANDS WITH LITTLE OR NO FINES	SW	WELL GRADED SANDS WITH OR WITHOUT GRAVEL, LITTLE OR NO FINES
		SANDS WITH OVER 12% FINES	SP	POORLY GRADED SANDS WITH OR WITHOUT GRAVEL, LITTLE OR NO FINES
			SM	SILTY SANDS WITH OR WITHOUT GRAVEL
		SC	CLAYEY SANDS WITH OR WITHOUT GRAVEL	
FINE-GRAINED SOILS MORE THAN HALF IS FINER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE	SILTS AND CLAYS LIQUID LIMIT 50% OR LESS	ML	INORGANIC SILTS AND VERY FINE SANDS, ROCK FLOUR, SILTS WITH SANDS AND GRAVELS	
		CL	INORGANIC CLAYS OF LOW TO MEDIUM PLASTICITY, CLAYS WITH SANDS AND GRAVELS, LEAN CLAYS	
		OL	ORGANIC SILTS OR CLAYS OF LOW PLASTICITY	
	SILTS AND CLAYS LIQUID LIMIT GREATER THAN 50%	MH	INORGANIC SILTS, MICACEOUS OR DIATOMACEOUS, FINE SANDY OR SILTY SOILS, ELASTIC SILTS	
		CH	INORGANIC CLAYS OF HIGH PLASTICITY, FAT CLAYS	
		OH	ORGANIC CLAYS OR CLAYS OF MEDIUM TO HIGH PLASTICITY	
	HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS	PT	PEAT AND OTHER HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS	

## BEDDING SPACING DESCRIPTIONS

THICKNESS/SPACING	DESCRIPTOR
GREATER THAN 10 FEET	MASSIVE
3 TO 10 FEET	VERY THICKLY BEDDED
1 TO 3 FEET	THICKLY BEDDED
3 1/4-INCH TO 1 FOOT	MODERATELY BEDDED
1 1/4-INCH TO 3 1/4-INCH	THINLY BEDDED
3/4-INCH TO 1 1/4-INCH	VERY THINLY BEDDED
LESS THAN 3/4-INCH	LAMINATED

## STRUCTURE DESCRIPTIONS

CRITERIA	DESCRIPTION
ALTERNATING LAYERS OF VARYING MATERIAL OR COLOR WITH LAYERS AT LEAST 1/2-INCH THICK	STRATIFIED
ALTERNATING LAYERS OF VARYING MATERIAL OR COLOR WITH LAYERS LESS THAN 1/2-INCH THICK	LAMINATED
BREAKS ALONG DEFINITE PLANES OF FRACTURE WITH LITTLE RESISTANCE TO FRACTURING	FISSURED
FRACTURE PLANES APPEAR POLISHED OR GLOSSY, SOMETIMES STRIATED	SLICKENSIDED
COHESIVE SOIL THAT CAN BE BROKEN DOWN INTO SMALLER ANGULAR LUMPS WHICH RESIST FURTHER BREAKDOWN	BLOCKY
INCLUSION OF SMALL POCKETS OF DIFFERENT SOIL, SUCH AS SMALL LENSES OF SAND SCATTERED THROUGH A MASS OF CLAY	LENSED
SAME COLOR AND MATERIAL THROUGHOUT	HOMOGENOUS

## CEMENTATION/INDURATION DESCRIPTIONS

FIELD TEST	DESCRIPTION
CRUMBLES OR BREAKS WITH HANDLING OR LITTLE FINGER PRESSURE	WEAKLY CEMENTED/INDURATED
CRUMBLES OR BREAKS WITH CONSIDERABLE FINGER PRESSURE	MODERATELY CEMENTED/INDURATED
WILL NOT CRUMBLE OR BREAK WITH FINGER PRESSURE	STRONGLY CEMENTED/INDURATED

## IGNEOUS/METAMORPHIC ROCK STRENGTH DESCRIPTIONS

FIELD TEST	DESCRIPTION
MATERIAL CRUMBLES WITH BARE HAND	WEAK
MATERIAL CRUMBLES UNDER BLOWS FROM GEOLOGY HAMMER	MODERATELY WEAK
1/2-INCH INDENTATIONS WITH SHARP END FROM GEOLOGY HAMMER	MODERATELY STRONG
HAND-HELD SPECIMEN CAN BE BROKEN WITH ONE BLOW FROM GEOLOGY HAMMER	STRONG
HAND-HELD SPECIMEN CAN BE BROKEN WITH COUPLE BLOWS FROM GEOLOGY HAMMER	VERY STRONG
HAND-HELD SPECIMEN CAN BE BROKEN WITH MANY BLOWS FROM GEOLOGY HAMMER	EXTREMELY STRONG

## IGNEOUS/METAMORPHIC ROCK WEATHERING DESCRIPTIONS

DEGREE OF DECOMPOSITION	FIELD RECOGNITION	ENGINEERING PROPERTIES
SOIL	DISCOLORED, CHANGED TO SOIL, FABRIC DESTROYED	EASY TO DIG
COMPLETELY WEATHERED	DISCOLORED, CHANGED TO SOIL, FABRIC MAINLY PRESERVED	EXCAVATED BY HAND OR RIPPING (Saprolite)
HIGHLY WEATHERED	DISCOLORED, HIGHLY FRACTURED, FABRIC ALTERED AROUND FRACTURES	EXCAVATED BY HAND OR RIPPING, WITH SLIGHT DIFFICULTY
MODERATELY WEATHERED	DISCOLORED, FRACTURES, INTACT ROCK-NOTICEABLY WEAKER THAN FRESH ROCK	EXCAVATED WITH DIFFICULTY WITHOUT EXPLOSIVES
SLIGHTLY WEATHERED	MAY BE DISCOLORED, SOME FRACTURES, INTACT ROCK-NOT NOTICEABLY WEAKER THAN FRESH ROCK	REQUIRES EXPLOSIVES FOR EXCAVATION, WITH PERMEABLE JOINTS AND FRACTURES
FRESH	NO DISCOLORATION, OR LOSS OF STRENGTH	REQUIRES EXPLOSIVES

## IGNEOUS/METAMORPHIC ROCK JOINT/FRACTURE DESCRIPTIONS

FIELD TEST	DESCRIPTION
NO OBSERVED FRACTURES	UNFRACTURED/UNJOINTED
MAJORITY OF JOINTS/FRACTURES SPACED AT 1 TO 3 FOOT INTERVALS	SLIGHTLY FRACTURED/JOINTED
MAJORITY OF JOINTS/FRACTURES SPACED AT 4-INCH TO 1 FOOT INTERVALS	MODERATELY FRACTURED/JOINTED
MAJORITY OF JOINTS/FRACTURES SPACED AT 1-INCH TO 4-INCH INTERVALS WITH SCATTERED FRAGMENTED INTERVALS	INTENSELY FRACTURED/JOINTED
MAJORITY OF JOINTS/FRACTURES SPACED AT LESS THAN 1-INCH INTERVALS; MOSTLY RECOVERED AS CHIPS AND FRAGMENTS	VERY INTENSELY FRACTURED/JOINTED

## BORING/TRENCH LOG LEGEND

	PENETRATION RESISTANCE						
	SAND AND GRAVEL			SILT AND CLAY			
	RELATIVE DENSITY	BLOWS PER FOOT (SPT)*	BLOWS PER FOOT (MOD-CAL)*	CONSISTENCY	BLOWS PER FOOT (SPT)*	BLOWS PER FOOT (MOD-CAL)*	COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (tsf)
No Recovery							
Shelby Tube Sample							
Bulk Sample							
SPT Sample							
Modified California Sample							
Groundwater Level (At Completion)							
Groundwater Level (Seepage)							
	VERY LOOSE	0 - 4	0 - 6	VERY SOFT	0 - 2	0 - 3	0 - 0.25
	LOOSE	5 - 10	7 - 16	SOFT	3 - 4	4 - 6	0.25 - 0.50
	MEDIUM DENSE	11 - 30	17 - 48	MEDIUM STIFF	5 - 8	7 - 13	0.50 - 1.0
	DENSE	31 - 50	49 - 79	STIFF	9 - 15	14 - 24	1.0 - 2.0
	VERY DENSE	OVER 50	OVER 79	VERY STIFF	16 - 30	25 - 48	2.0 - 4.0
				HARD	OVER 30	OVER 48	OVER 4.0

\*NUMBER OF BLOWS OF 140 LB HAMMER FALLING 30 INCHES TO DRIVE LAST 12 INCHES OF AN 18-INCH DRIVE

## MOISTURE DESCRIPTIONS

FIELD TEST	APPROX. DEGREE OF SATURATION, S (%)	DESCRIPTION
NO INDICATION OF MOISTURE; DRY TO THE TOUCH	S < 25	DRY
SLIGHT INDICATION OF MOISTURE	25 <= S < 50	DAMP
INDICATION OF MOISTURE; NO VISIBLE WATER	50 <= S < 75	MOIST
MINOR VISIBLE FREE WATER	75 <= S < 100	WET
VISIBLE FREE WATER	100	SATURATED

## QUANTITY DESCRIPTIONS

APPROX. ESTIMATED PERCENT	DESCRIPTION
< 5%	TRACE
5 - 10%	FEW
11 - 25%	LITTLE
26 - 50%	SOME
> 50%	MOSTLY

## GRAVEL/COBBLE/BOULDER DESCRIPTIONS

CRITERIA	DESCRIPTION
PASS THROUGH A 3-INCH SIEVE AND BE RETAINED ON A NO. 4 SIEVE (#4 TO 3")	GRAVEL
PASS A 12-INCH SQUARE OPENING AND BE RETAINED ON A 3-INCH SIEVE (3"-12")	COBBLE
WILL NOT PASS A 12-INCH SQUARE OPENING (> 12")	BOULDER

## LABORATORY TEST KEY

CP - COMPACTION CURVE (ASTM D1557)	R - R-VALUE (CTM 301)
CR - CORROSION ANALYSIS (CTM 422, 643, 417)	SE - SAND EQUIVALENT (CTM 217)
DS - DIRECT SHEAR (ASTM D3080)	TXCU - CONSOLIDATED UNDRAINED TRIAXIAL (ASTM D4767)
EI - EXPANSION INDEX (ASTM D4829)	TXUU - UNCONSOLIDATED UNDRAINED TRIAXIAL (ASTM D2850)
GSA - GRAIN SIZE ANALYSIS (ASTM D422)	UC - UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (ASTM D2166)
MC - MOISTURE CONTENT (ASTM D2216)	
PI - PLASTICITY INDEX (ASTM D4318)	



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**KEY TO LOGS**

Figure A1

DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE INTERVAL & RECOVERY	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	<b>BORING B1</b>			PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	ADDITIONAL TESTS
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>345</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>9/27/2018</u>	ENG./GEO. <u>Victor Guardado</u>				
<b>MATERIAL DESCRIPTION</b>											
0	B1-Bulk			SM	<b>ALLUVIUM</b> Medium dense, dry to damp, yellow brown, Silty SAND, fine sand						
1											
2											
3	B1-3.0				SC-SM	Medium dense, dry to damp, strong brown, Silty Clayey SAND, fine sand, moderately cemented					
4	B1-3.5						41	118.9	7.5		
5	B1-5.0					- very dense, hard drilling, moderately to strongly cemented	50/4"	98.9	10.7		
6											
7											
8						- rig chatter					
9											
10	B1-10.0					- dense, moist, weakly cemented					
11							33				
12											
13											
14											
15											
16	B1-15.5					- dark yellow brown, weakly to moderately cemented, micaceous					
17	B1-16.0					- sandy silt lense	57				
18											
19					SM	Medium dense, dry to damp, dark yellow brown, Silty SAND, fine sand, micaceous					
20	B1-20.0										
21	B1-20.5 B1-21.0				- strong brown, clayey, weakly to moderately cemented	45					
					BORING TERMINATED AT 21.5 FEET NO GROUNDWATER ENCOUNTERED BACKFILLED WITH SOIL CUTTINGS						

Figure A2, Log of Boring, page 1 of 1



SAMPLE SYMBOLS					
	... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL		... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST		... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
	... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE		... CHUNK SAMPLE		... WATER TABLE OR SEEPAGE

NOTE: THE LOG OF SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS SHOWN HEREON APPLIES ONLY AT THE SPECIFIC BORING OR TRENCH LOCATION AND AT THE DATE INDICATED. IT IS NOT WARRANTED TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS AT OTHER LOCATIONS AND TIMES.

DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE INTERVAL & RECOVERY	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	<b>BORING B2</b>			PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	ADDITIONAL TESTS
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>345</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>9/27/2018</u>	ENG./GEO. <u>Victor Guardado</u>				
<b>MATERIAL DESCRIPTION</b>											
0	B2-Bulk			SM	<b>ALLUVIUM</b> Medium dense, dry to damp, yellow brown, Silty SAND, fine to medium sand						
1											
2											
3	B2-3.0 B2-3.5			SC-SM	Medium dense, dry to damp, strong brown, Silty Clayey SAND, fine sand, weakly to moderately cemented		27	107.4	7.1		
4											
5	B2-5.0 B2-5.5				- very dense, moderately cemented		50/5"		11.0		
6											
7											
8	B2-8.0 B2-8.5				- medium dense, weakly to moderately cemented, damp to moist, with fine to medium sand, with white and tan		33	115.5	8.7		
9											
10	B2-10.5 B2-11.0				- dense, moist, fine sand, trace mica		54	115.7	12.9 10.1		
11											
12											
13											
14											
15	B2-15.5 B2-16.0				- medium dense, dark yellow brown, fine to medium sand		27	111.5	8.5		
16											
17											
18											
19											
20	B2-20.5 B2-21.0				- dry to damp, fine sand		29				
21											
22											
23											
24				CL	Hard, moist, strong brown, Sandy Lean CLAY, fine sand, few to little silt, weakly to moderately cemented, trace to few mica, PP>4.5 tsf						
25	B2-25.0 B2-25.5 B2-26.0										
26							72				

Figure A3, Log of Boring, page 1 of 2



SAMPLE SYMBOLS					
	... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL		... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST		... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
	... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE		... CHUNK SAMPLE		... WATER TABLE OR SEEPAGE

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					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>345</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>9/27/2018</u>	ENG./GEO. <u>Victor Guardado</u>					DRILLER <u>V&amp;W Drilling</u>
MATERIAL DESCRIPTION												
27												
28												
29												
30	B2-30.5			ML	Hard, moist, yellow brown, SILT with sand, few to little clay							
31	B2-31.0							79				
32												
33												
34				CL	Hard, moist, strong brown, Sandy Lean CLAY, fine to medium sand, moderately cemented, trace mica, PP>4.5 tsf							
35	B2-35.0											
36	B2-35.5											
37	B2-36.0							84/10"				
38												
39												
40	B2-40.0											
41	B2-40.5				- weakly to moderately cemented, some to mostly sand, fine to medium sand, trace to few silt			50/6"				
42												
43												
44												
45	B2-45.5											
46	B2-46.0				- lense of silty clay, blue gray, weakly to moderately cemented - becomes reddish yellow brown, fine to medium sand			53				
47												
48				SP	Medium dense, dry, gray brown with white, orange, and black, Poorly-graded SAND, medium sand, trace to few mica							
49												
50												
51	B2-51.0				- sample falling out of sampler barrel upon withdrawal			38				
					BORING TERMINATED AT 51.5 FEET NO GROUNDWATER ENCOUNTERED BACKFILLED WITH SOIL CUTTINGS							

Figure A4, Log of Boring, page 2 of 2



SAMPLE SYMBOLS					
	... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL		... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST		... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
	... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE		... CHUNK SAMPLE		... WATER TABLE OR SEEPAGE

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DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE INTERVAL & RECOVERY	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	<b>BORING B3</b>			PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	ADDITIONAL TESTS
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>345</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>9/27/2018</u>	ENG./GEO. <u>Victor Guardado</u>				
<b>MATERIAL DESCRIPTION</b>											
0	B3-Bulk			SM	<b>ALLUVIUM</b> Medium dense, dry to damp, yellow brown, Silty SAND, fine sand						
1											
2											
3	B3-2.5 B3-3.0			SC-SM	Very dense, damp, strong brown, Silty Clayey SAND, fine sand, moderately cemented - sampler bouncing - hard drilling	42/10"					
4											
5	B3-5.0 B3-5.5					- very dense, dark yellow brown, fine sand, weakly to moderately cemented	50/6"	136.3	6.7		
6											
7											
8											
9	B3-8.5				- medium dense, strong brown, weakly to moderately cemented	37	117.4	6.2			
10											
11	B3-10.5 B3-11.0			CL	- sampler bouncing Hard, dark olive gray, moist, Lean CLAY, with clayey sand pockets, weakly to moderately cemented, few to little silt, PP>4.5 tsf	52/9"					
12											
13											
14				SC-SM	Medium dense to dense, damp to moist, dark yellow brown, Silty Clayey SAND, fine sand, weakly to moderately cemented						
15											
16	B3-15.5 B3-16.0					46	116.9	11.2			
17											
18											
19											
20											
21	B3-20.5 B3-21.0					40					
					<b>BORING TERMINATED AT 21.5 FEET NO GROUNDWATER ENCOUNTERED BACKFILLED WITH SOIL CUTTINGS</b>						

Figure A5, Log of Boring, page 1 of 1



SAMPLE SYMBOLS		
	... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL	
	... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE	
	... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST	
	... CHUNK SAMPLE	
		... WATER TABLE OR SEEPAGE

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DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE INTERVAL & RECOVERY	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	<b>BORING B4</b>			PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	ADDITIONAL TESTS
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>345</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>9/27/2018</u>	ENG./GEO. <u>Victor Guardado</u>				
MATERIAL DESCRIPTION											
0	B4-Bulk			SM	<b>ALLUVIUM</b> Medium dense, dry to damp, yellow brown, Silty SAND, fine sand						
1											
2											
3				SC-SM	Dense, damp to moist, strong brown, Silty Clayey SAND, moderately to strongly cemented						
4	B4-3.5 B4-4.0				- sampler bouncing		37/9"				
5					BORING TERMINATED AT 5 FEET NO GROUNDWATER ENCOUNTERED BACKFILLED WITH SOIL CUTTINGS						

Figure A6, Log of Boring, page 1 of 1



SAMPLE SYMBOLS		
... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL	... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST	... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE	... CHUNK SAMPLE	... WATER TABLE OR SEEPAGE

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DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE INTERVAL & RECOVERY	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	<b>BORING B5</b>			PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	ADDITIONAL TESTS
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>345</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>9/27/2018</u>	ENG./GEO. <u>Victor Guardado</u>				
MATERIAL DESCRIPTION											
0	B5-Bulk			SM	<b>ALLUVIUM</b> Medium dense, dry, yellow brown, Silty SAND, fine sand						
1											
2											
3					SC-SM	Dense, damp to moist, strong brown, Silty Clayey SAND, fine sand, moderately cemented					
4	B5-3.5 B5-4.0					- sampler bouncing - rig chatter	43/6.5"				
5					BORING TERMINATED AT 5 FEET NO GROUNDWATER ENCOUNTERED BACKFILLED WITH SOIL CUTTINGS						

Figure A7, Log of Boring, page 1 of 1



SAMPLE SYMBOLS		
... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL	... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST	... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE	... CHUNK SAMPLE	... WATER TABLE OR SEEPAGE

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DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE INTERVAL & RECOVERY	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	<b>BORING B6</b>			PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	ADDITIONAL TESTS
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>345</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>9/27/2018</u>	ENG./GEO. <u>Victor Guardado</u>				
MATERIAL DESCRIPTION											
0	B6-Bulk			SM	<b>ALLUVIUM</b> Medium dense, dry, yellow brown, Silty SAND, fine sand						
1											
2				SC-SM	Medium dense to dense, damp to moist, strong brown, Silty Clayey SAND, fine sand, moderately cemented						
3	B6-3.0										
4								28			
5					BORING TERMINATED AT 5 FEET NO GROUNDWATER ENCOUNTERED BACKFILLED WITH SOIL CUTTINGS						

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SAMPLE SYMBOLS		
	... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL	
	... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE	
	... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)	

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DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE INTERVAL & RECOVERY	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	<b>BORING B7</b>			PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	ADDITIONAL TESTS
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>345</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>9/27/2018</u>	ENG./GEO. <u>Victor Guardado</u>				
MATERIAL DESCRIPTION											
0	B7-Bulk			SM	<b>ALLUVIUM</b> Medium dense, dry, yellow brown, Silty SAND, fine sand						
1											
2											
3	B7-3.0			SC-SM	Dense, damp to moist, strong brown, Silty Clayey SAND, fine sand, moderately cemented - sampler bouncing	50/4"					
4											
5					BORING TERMINATED AT 5 FEET NO GROUNDWATER ENCOUNTERED BACKFILLED WITH SOIL CUTTINGS						

Figure A9, Log of Boring, page 1 of 1



SAMPLE SYMBOLS		
	... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL	
	... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE	
	... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)	

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**FIELD INFILTRATION TEST DATA - Falling Head Method (Standpipe)**

Project Name: DMV Reedley Field Office

Project No.: S1445-05-04

By: V. Guardado

Date: 09/28/2018

Test Location: INF1

Pre-Soak: 24 hours

Test Duration: Approximately 30 Minutes

Depth of Test: 5'

Test Hole Dimensions: 3.25" outside diameter, 5' deep

Time	Elapsed Time (min)	Change in time (min)	Reading (ft)	Fall (in)	Rate (in/hr)
8:30	0	0	3.87	0	0
8:31	1	1	4.12	3	180
8:36	6	5	4.55	5.16	61.92
8:41	11	5	4.82	3.24	38.88
8:46	16	5	5.01	2.28	27.36
8:51	21	5	5.09	0.96	11.52
8:56	26	5	5.11	0.24	2.88
9:01	31	5	5.13	0.24	2.88

**Stabilized Infiltration Rate: 2.9 (in/hr)**

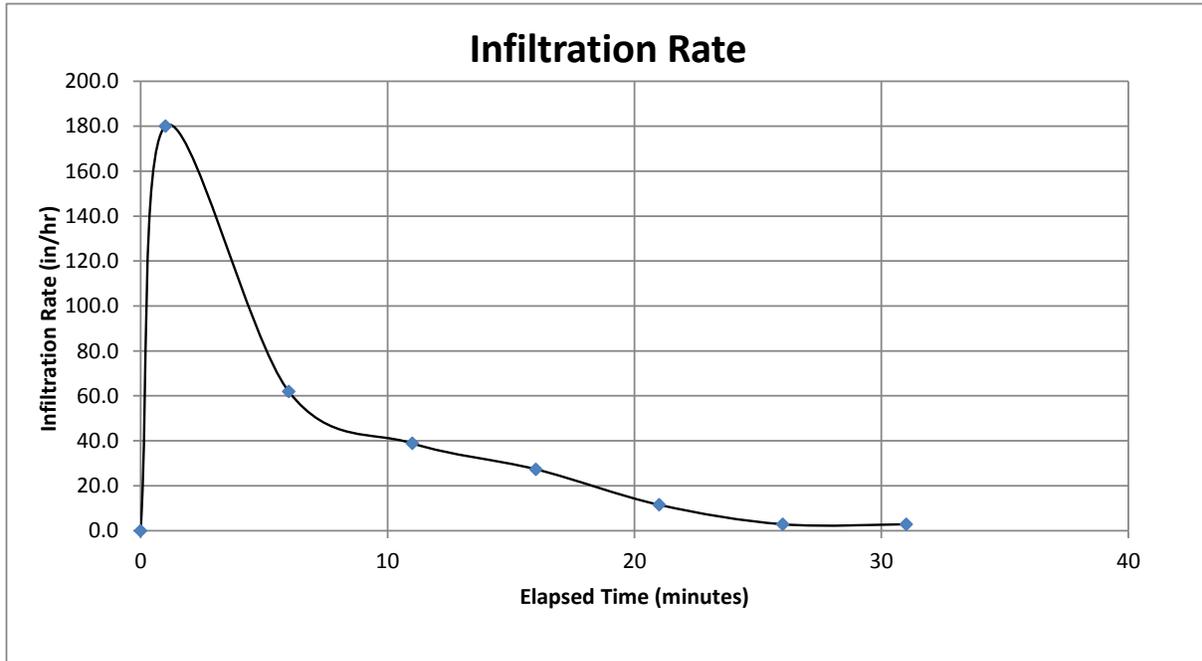


Figure A10



**FIELD INFILTRATION TEST DATA - Falling Head Method (Standpipe)**

Project Name: DMV Reedley Field Office

Project No.: S1445-05-04

By: V. Guardado

Date: 09/28/2018

Test Location: INF2

Pre-Soak: 24 hours

Test Duration: Approximately 90 Minutes

Depth of Test: 5.5'

Test Hole Dimensions: 3.25" outside diameter, 5.5' deep

Time	Elapsed Time (min)	Change in time (min)	Reading (ft)	Fall (in)	Rate (in/hr)
9:20	0	0	3.76	0.00	0
9:21	1	1	3.78	0.24	14.40
9:26	6	5	3.8	0.24	2.88
9:41	21	15	3.93	1.56	6.24
9:56	36	15	4.04	1.32	5.28
10:11	51	15	4.14	1.20	4.80
10:26	66	15	4.22	0.96	3.84
10:41	81	15	4.3	0.96	3.84
10:56	96	15	4.38	0.96	3.84

**Stabilized Infiltration Rate: 3.8 (in/hr)**

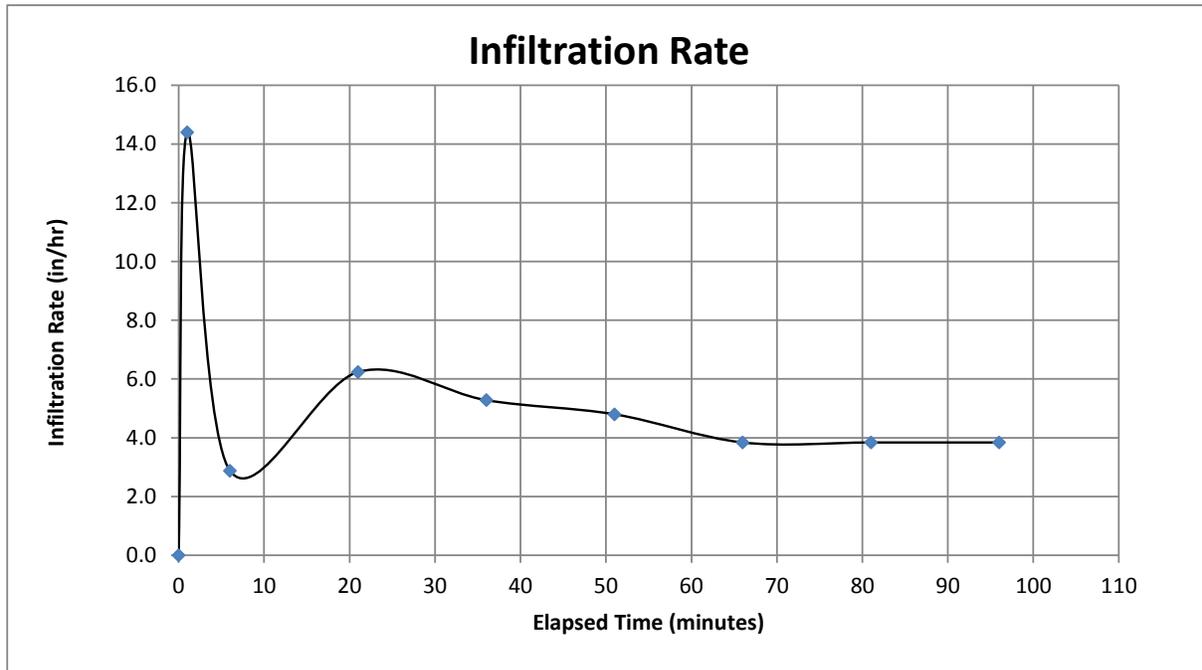


Figure A11



**FIELD INFILTRATION TEST DATA - Falling Head Method (Standpipe)**

Project Name: DMV Reedley Field Office

Project No.: S1445-05-04

By: V. Guardado

Date: 09/28/2018

Test Location: INF3

Pre-Soak: 24 hours

Test Duration: Approximately 40 Minutes

Depth of Test: 4'

Test Hole Dimensions: 3.25" outside diameter, 4' deep

Time	Elapsed Time (min)	Change in time (min)	Reading (ft)	Fall (in)	Rate (in/hr)
9:37	0	0	3.58	0.00	0
9:38	1	1	3.64	0.72	43.20
9:43	6	5	3.72	0.96	11.52
9:48	11	5	3.78	0.72	8.64
9:53	16	5	3.83	0.60	7.20
9:58	21	5	3.87	0.48	5.76
10:03	26	5	3.91	0.48	5.76
10:08	31	5	3.95	0.48	5.76
10:13	36	5	3.99	0.48	5.76
10:18	41	5	4.03	0.48	5.76

**Stabilized Infiltration Rate: 5.8 (in/hr)**

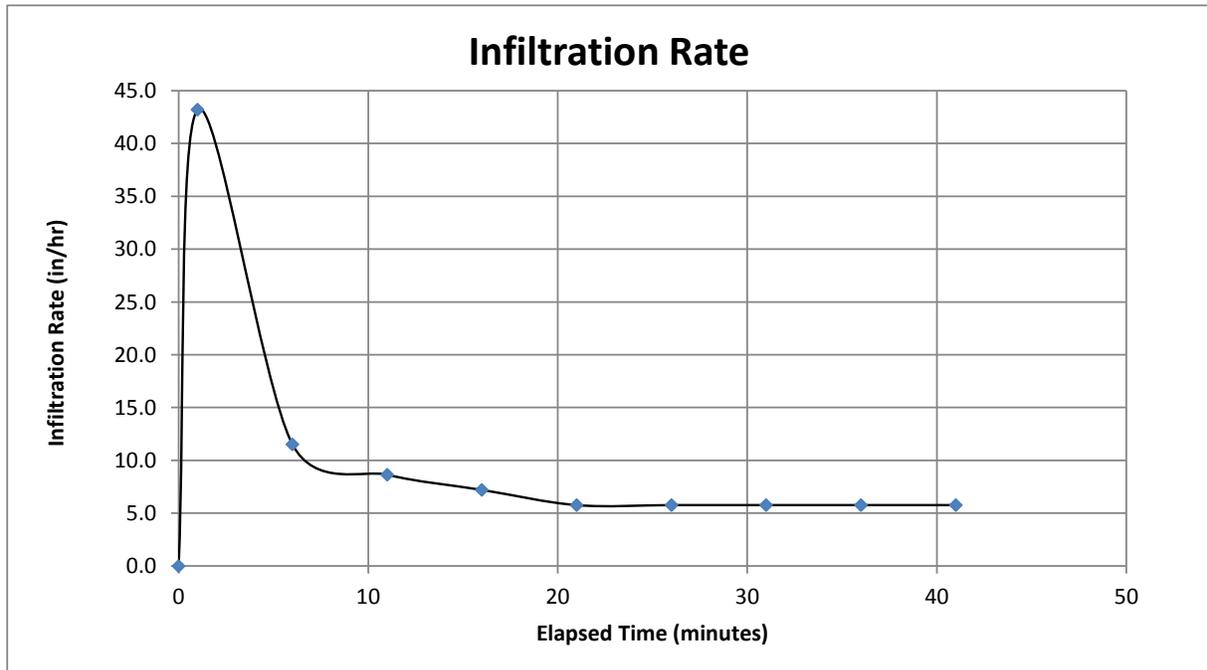
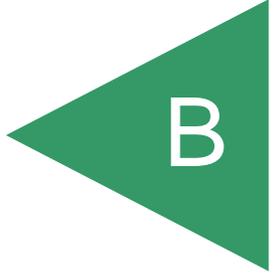


Figure A12

APPENDIX



**APPENDIX B**  
**LABORATORY TESTING PROGRAM**

Laboratory tests were performed in accordance with generally accepted test methods of the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) or other suggested procedures. Selected soil samples were tested for their in-place dry density and moisture content, plasticity characteristics, grain-size distribution, maximum dry density and optimum moisture content, expansion index, corrosion potential, pavement support characteristics, and shear strength characteristics. The results of the laboratory tests are presented in the following tables and on the following pages.

**TABLE B1**  
**SOIL CORROSION PARAMETER TEST RESULTS**  
**(CALIFORNIA TEST METHODS 643, 417, AND 422)**

Sample No.	Sample Depth (ft.)	pH	Minimum Resistivity (ohm-cm)	Chloride (ppm) / (%)	Sulfate (ppm) / (%)
B1, B2, B3 Bulk	0-5	7.4	3,220	4.4 / 0.00044	14.6 / 0.00146

\*Caltrans considers a site corrosive to foundation elements if one or more of the following conditions exist for the representative soil samples at the site:

- The pH is equal to or less than 5.5.
- The resistivity is equal to or less than 1,000 ohm-cm.
- Chloride concentration is equal to or greater than 500 parts per million (ppm).
- Sulfate concentration is equal to or greater than 2,000 ppm.

According to the 2013 California Building Code Section 1904.1 which refers to the durability requirements of American Concrete Institute (ACI) 318 (Chapter 4), Type II cement may be used where soluble sulfate levels in soil are below 2,000 ppm.

**TABLE B2**  
**EXPANSION INDEX TEST RESULTS**  
**ASTM D4829**

Sample Number	Depth (feet)	Moisture Content (%)		Expansion Index	Classification*
		Before Test	After Test		
B1, B2, B3 Bulk	0-5	8.1	13.5	0	Very Low

\*Expansion Potential Classification per ASTM D4829.

**TABLE B3**  
**R-VALUE TEST RESULTS**  
**ASTM D2844**

Boring Number	Sample Depth (feet)	Average Dry Density (pcf)	Average Moisture Content (%)	R-Value
B6, B7 Bulk	0-5	124.0	9.9	61

Sample ID	Depth (feet)	Liquid Limit	Plastic Limit	Plasticity Index	Expansion Index	%<#200 Sieve	Water Content (%)	Dry Density (pcf)
B1,B2,&B3 Bulk	0-5	18	14	4	0	47.1		
B1-3.5	3.5						7.5	118.9
B1-5	5						10.7	98.9
B2-3.5	3.5						7.1	107.4
B2-5	5					31.1	11.0	
B2-8.5	8.5						8.7	115.5
B2-10.5	10.5						12.9	115.7
B2-11	11					30.5	10.1	
B2-16	16						8.5	111.5
B3-5.5	5.5					35.5	6.7	136.3
B3-8.5	8.5						6.2	117.4
B3-16	16						11.2	116.9
B6&B7 Bulk	0-5	19	13	6				
Inf1-5	5					40.0		
Inf2-5.5	5.5					25.1		
Inf3-4	4					35.6		

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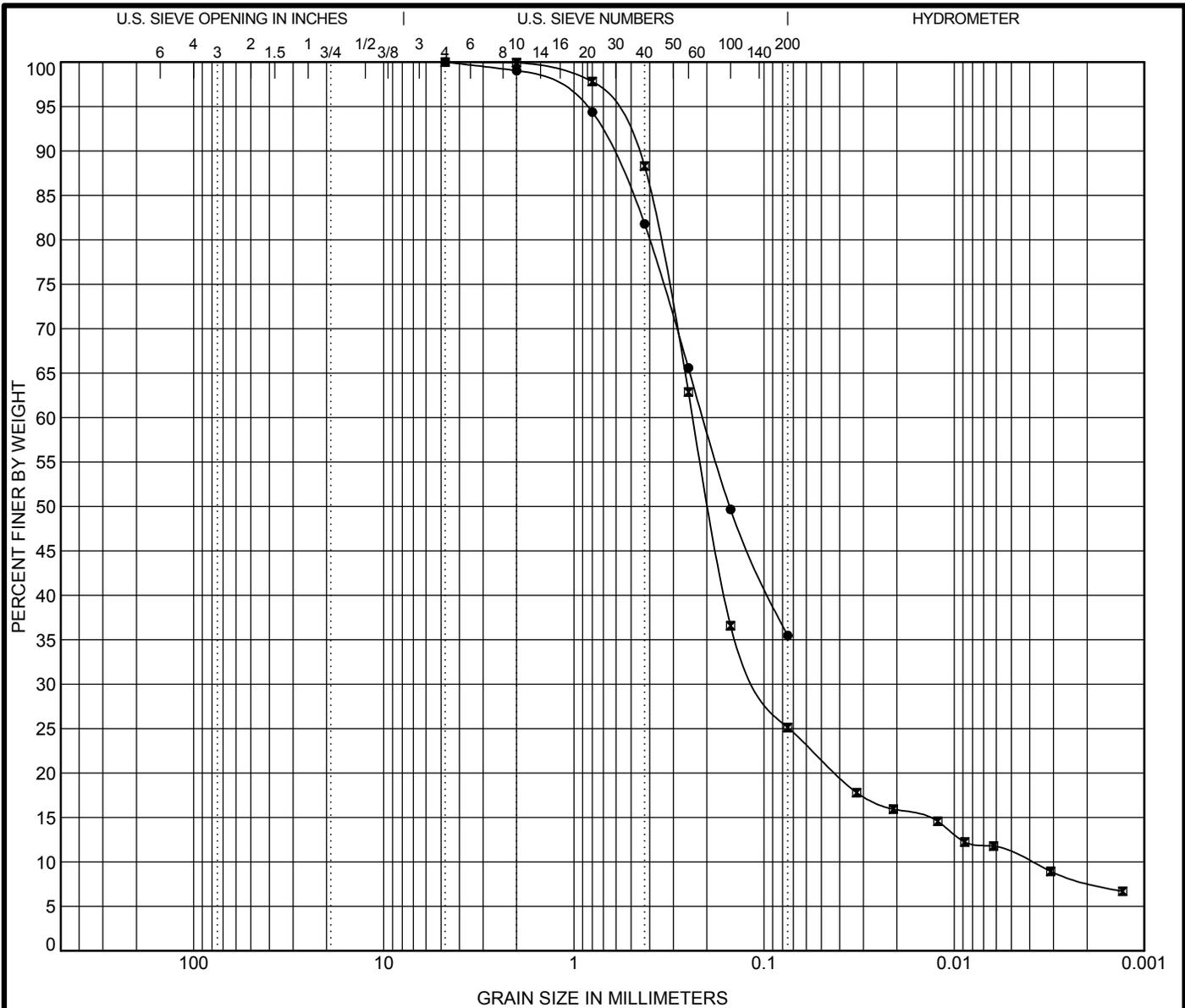


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**Summary of Laboratory Results**

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COBBLES	GRAVEL		SAND			SILT OR CLAY
	coarse	fine	coarse	medium	fine	

Sample No.	Classification	LL	PL	PI	Cc	Cu
● B3-5.5	Silty clayey SAND (SC-SM)					
■ Inf2-5.5	Silty clayey SAND (SC-SM)				10.71	58.8

Sample No.	D100	D60	D30	D10	%Gravel	%Sand	%Silt	%Clay
● B3-5.5	4.75	0.209			0.0	64.5	35.5	
■ Inf2-5.5	4.75	0.236	0.101	0.004	0.0	74.9	14.2	10.9



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**GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION (ASTM D422, D6913)**

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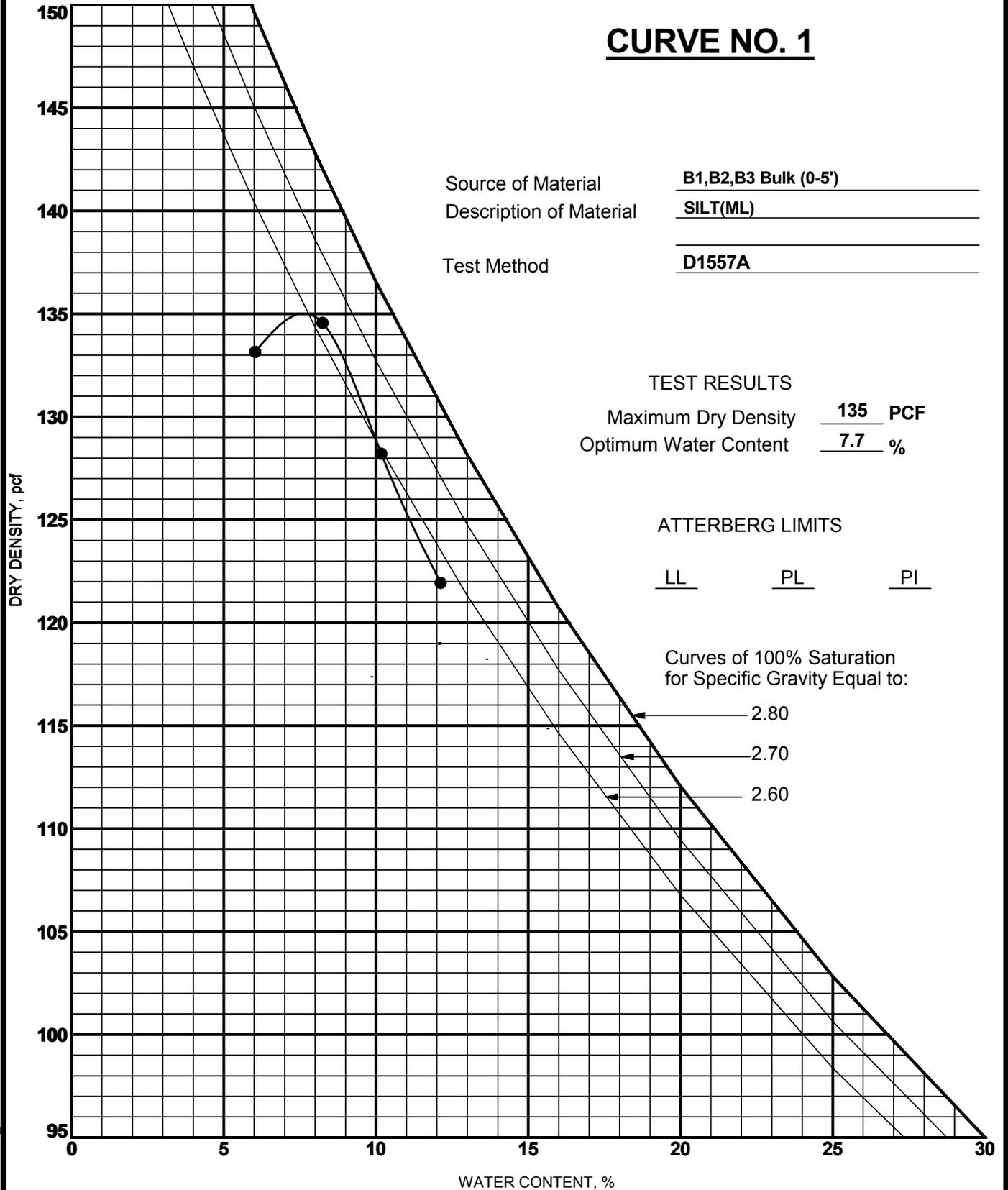
Source of Material B1,B2,B3 Bulk (0-5')  
 Description of Material SILT(ML)  
 Test Method D1557A

TEST RESULTS  
 Maximum Dry Density 135 PCF  
 Optimum Water Content 7.7 %

ATTERBERG LIMITS  
LL PL PI

Curves of 100% Saturation  
 for Specific Gravity Equal to:

2.80  
 2.70  
 2.60



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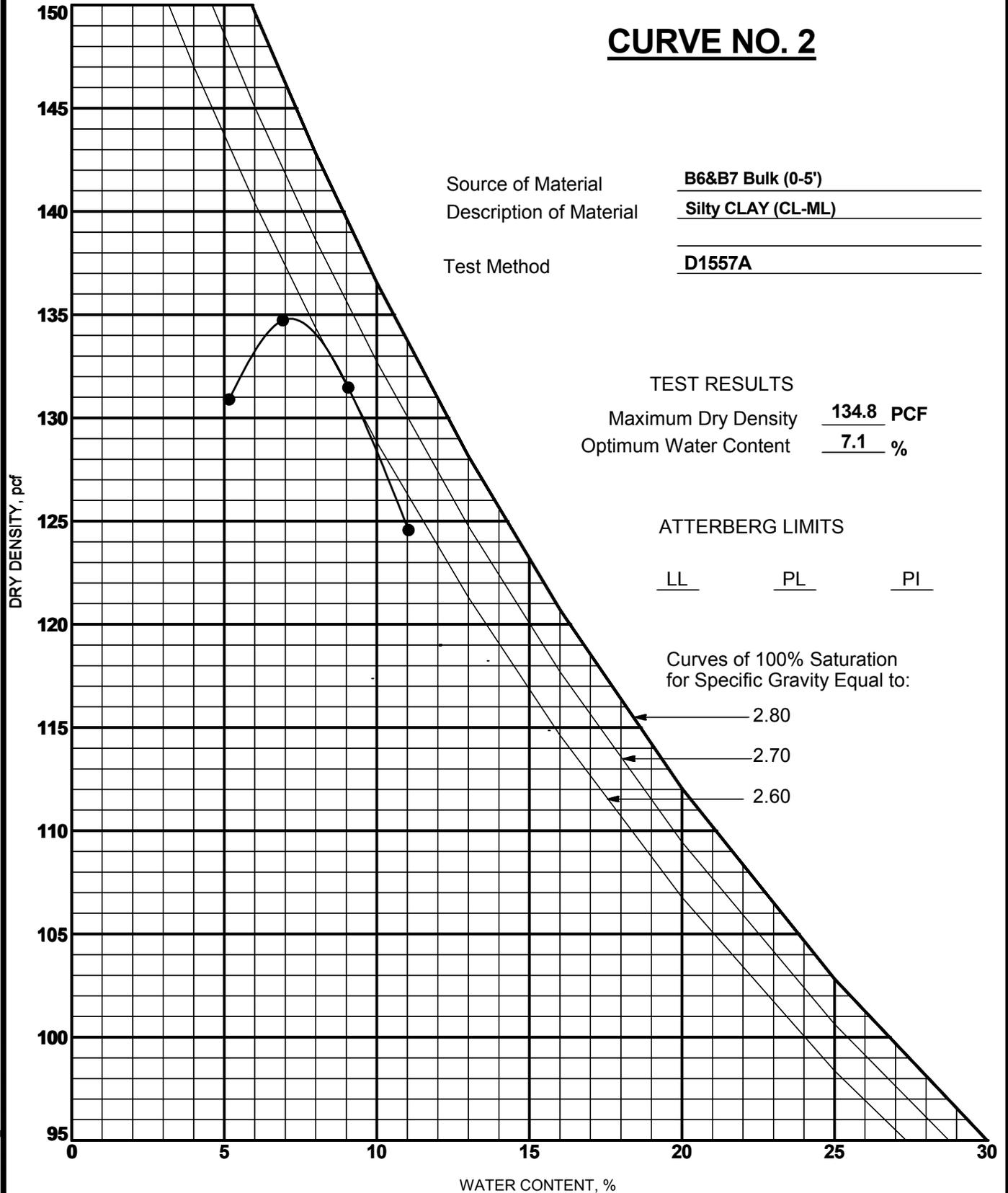
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 Description of Material Silty CLAY (CL-ML)  
 Test Method D1557A

TEST RESULTS  
 Maximum Dry Density 134.8 PCF  
 Optimum Water Content 7.1 %

ATTERBERG LIMITS  
LL PL PI

Curves of 100% Saturation  
 for Specific Gravity Equal to:

2.80  
 2.70  
 2.60



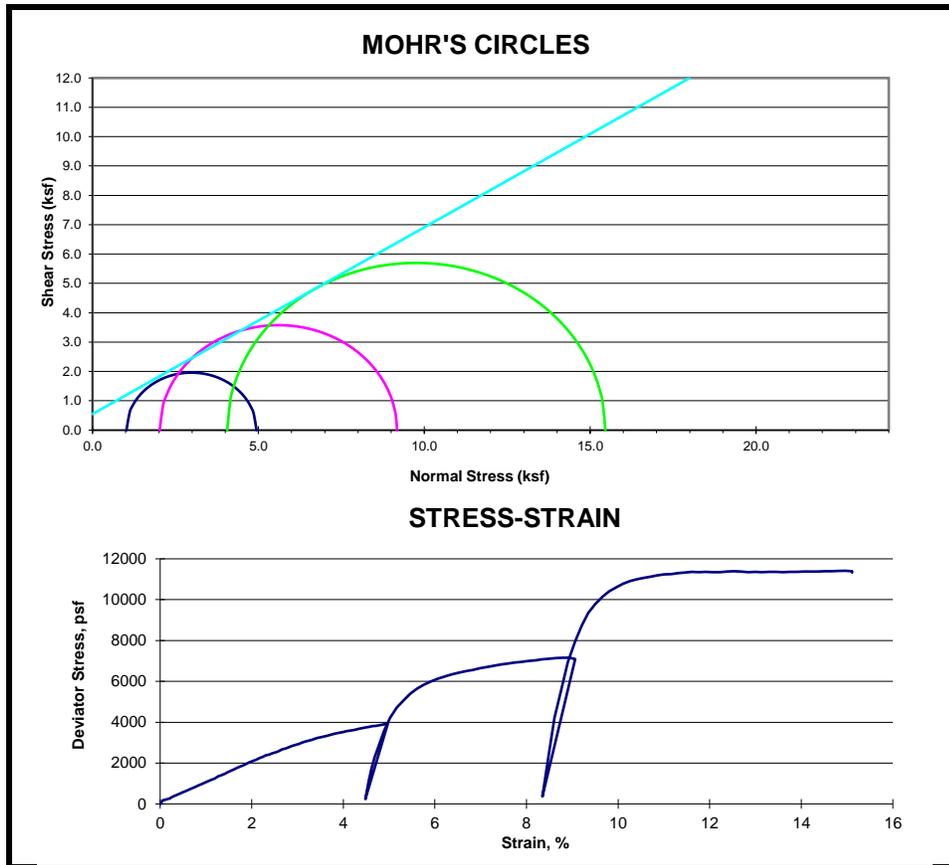
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## MOISTURE-DENSITY RELATIONSHIP

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**Test Results**

$\phi$ , degrees	<b>32.5</b>
c, psf	<b>550</b>

**Sample Description**

Sample Number	B2-5.5
Sample Depth (feet)	5.5
Material Description	Strong Brown Silty Clayey SAND

**Initial Conditions at Start of Stage**

Sample ID (psf), minor principal stress	1000	2000	4100
Height (inch)	5.560	5.307	4.835
Diameter (inch)	2.417	2.474	2.527
Moisture Content (%)	11.7	11.7	11.7
Dry Density (pcf)	108.4	108.4	108.4
Saturation (%)	57.0	57.0	57.0

**Shear Test Conditions**

	0.2992	0.2962	0.2985
Strain Rate (%/min)			
Major Principal Stress at Failure (psf)	4940	9180	15460
Strain at failure (%)	4.92	8.94	15.11
Deviator Stress and Fail (psf)	3920	7150	11400

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**Triaxial Shear Strength - UU Test (staged)**

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