

**GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION  
PROPOSED COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL  
BUILDING**

NEC Cedar Avenue and Orange Street  
San Bernardino County, California  
for  
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Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, we have conducted a geotechnical investigation at the subject site. We are pleased to present this report summarizing the conclusions and recommendations developed from our investigation.

We sincerely appreciate the opportunity to be of service on this project. We look forward to providing additional consulting services during the course of the project. If we may be of further assistance in any manner, please contact our office.

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## 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Presented below is a brief summary of the conclusions and recommendations of this investigation. Since this summary is not all inclusive, it should be read in complete context with the entire report.

### Site Preparation

- Based on our review of readily available photographs from the internet, the subject site was formerly developed as a residential subdivision. The only apparent remains of the previous development consist of the remnants of two asphaltic concrete roads.
- Initial site preparation should include demolition of the remnants of the two asphaltic concrete roads and any other remnants of the previous development including all foundations, floor slabs, utilities, septic systems, and any other subsurface improvements that will not remain in place for use with the new development. Stripping of the existing vegetation including grasses, weeds, and occasional shrubs and trees will also be necessary and should include all vegetation, organic soils, and root masses. These materials should be disposed of offsite. Concrete and asphalt debris may be crushed to a maximum 2-inch particle size, mixed well with the on-site soils, and incorporated into structural fills if desired. Alternatively, it may be feasible to crush these materials into aggregate base.
- Some of the borings encountered disturbed native alluvium at the ground surface, extending to depths of 3 to 3½± feet. The disturbed alluvium possesses variable strengths and densities, and is not considered suitable, in its present state, for the support of the foundations or floor slabs of the new structure.
- The disturbed alluvium is underlain by undisturbed alluvial soils. The results of laboratory testing indicate that some of the undisturbed soils within the upper 5 to 6 feet possess a moderate potential for hydrocollapse when inundated with water.
- Remedial grading is recommended to be performed within the new building pad area. The existing soils within the building pad area are recommended to be overexcavated to a depth of 3 feet below existing grade. In addition, all disturbed soils should be removed from the new building pad area. In order to provide a relatively uniform subgrade condition, the excavations are also recommended to extend to a depth of at least 3 feet below proposed pad grade. The soils within the proposed foundation influence zones should be overexcavated to a depth of at least 3 feet below proposed foundation bearing grade.
- After overexcavation has been completed, the resulting subgrade soils should be evaluated by the geotechnical engineer to identify any additional soils that should be overexcavated. The resulting subgrade should then be scarified to a depth of 12 inches. The overexcavation subgrade should be thoroughly moisture conditioned to a moisture content of 2 to 4 percent above optimum and compacted to 90 percent relative compaction. The previously excavated soils may then be replaced as compacted structural fill.
- The new parking area subgrade soils are recommended to be scarified to a depth of 12± inches, thoroughly moisture conditioned and recompacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density.

### Building Foundations

- Conventional shallow foundations, supported in newly placed compacted fill.

- 2,500 lbs/ft<sup>2</sup> maximum allowable soil bearing pressure.
- Reinforcement consisting of at least four (4) No. 5 rebars (2 top and 2 bottom) in strip footings. Additional reinforcement may be necessary for structural considerations.

### Building Floor Slab

- Conventional Slab-on-Grade, at least 5 inches thick.
- Reinforcement is not required for geotechnical considerations. The actual thickness and reinforcement of the floor slabs should be determined by the structural engineer based on the imposed loading.

### Pavements

| <b>ASPHALT PAVEMENTS (R = 50)</b> |  |                                |                                   |                                |                                |
|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Materials</b>                  | <b>Thickness (inches)</b>                |                                |                                   |                                |                                |
|                                   | Auto Parking and Drives (TI = 4.0 & 5.0) | Light Truck Traffic (TI = 6.0) | Moderate Truck Traffic (TI = 7.0) | Heavy Truck Traffic (TI = 8.0) | Heavy Truck Traffic (TI = 9.0) |
| Asphalt Concrete                  | 3  | 3½                             | 4                                 | 5                              | 6                              |
| Aggregate Base                    | 3  | 4                              | 5                                 | 5                              | 6                              |
| Compacted Subgrade                | 12                                       | 12                             | 12                                | 12                             | 12                             |

| <b>PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENTS (R = 50)</b> |  |                                   |                                |                                |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Materials</b>                                   | <b>Thickness (inches)</b>                    |                                   |                                |                                |
|  | Autos & Light Truck Traffic (TI = 5.0 & 6.0) | Moderate Truck Traffic (TI = 7.0) | Heavy Truck Traffic (TI = 8.0) | Heavy Truck Traffic (TI = 9.0) |
| PCC  | 5  | 6½                                | 8                              | 9                              |
| Compacted Subgrade (95% Relative Compaction)       | 12   | 12                                | 12                             | 12                             |

## **2.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES**

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The scope of services performed for this project was in accordance with our Proposal No. 14P297, dated June 26, 2014. The scope of services included a visual site reconnaissance, subsurface exploration, field and laboratory testing, and geotechnical engineering analysis to provide criteria for preparing the design of the building foundations, building floor slabs, and parking lot pavements along with site preparation recommendations and construction considerations for the proposed development. The evaluation of the environmental aspects of this site was beyond the scope of services for this geotechnical investigation.

## **3.0 SITE AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

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### **3.1 Site Conditions**

The subject site is located at the northeast corner of Cedar Avenue and Orange Street in Bloomington, an unincorporated area of San Bernardino County, California. The site is bounded to the north by a railroad easement, to the east by Vine Street, to the south by Orange Street, and to the west by Cedar Avenue. The general location of the site is illustrated on the Site Location Map, included as Plate 1 in Appendix A of this report.

The site consists of an irregular shaped parcel,  $9.8\pm$  acres in size. The site is currently vacant and undeveloped except for the remains of two unmaintained asphaltic concrete roads. One of these roads, Church Street, trends north-south through the center of the site; the other road, Park Street, trends east-west. These roads intersect in the center of the site, and neither road extends beyond the limits of the property. Both roads are in poor condition with numerous large cracks. Ground surface cover throughout the site generally consists of exposed soil with sparse to moderate native grass and weed growth. A few trees are present in the northern portion of the site.

As part of our research for this project, we have reviewed several readily available historic aerial photographs from the internet. The subject site appears to have been developed with several single family residences at the time of the earliest available photograph, from the year 1938. The two roads presently remaining at the site are also present in this photograph. Several photographs between from between the years of 1938 and 1980 appear to indicate that more houses were constructed on the site throughout these years and that the majority of the site area was developed with single family residences at the time of the 1980 photograph. By the time of the next available photograph, from the year 1994, all of the houses were demolished. Many trees remained scattered throughout the site in 1994, but these were removed by the time of another photograph taken in 2002. More recent aerial photographs taken between 2002 and 2013 appear to indicate conditions very similar to the present site conditions.

Topographic information for the subject site was obtained from Hall & Foreman, Inc. Based on this plan, the maximum site elevation of 1094.0 feet mean sea level (msl) is located in the northwest corner of the site and the minimum site elevation of 1073.0 feet msl is located in the southeast corner of the site. A 4 to 5 foot high soil berm is present along the northern property line. Excluding the berm, the site generally slopes downward to the southeast at a gradient of less than  $2\pm$  percent.

### **3.2 Proposed Development**

A conceptual site plan prepared by HPA Architecture, dated July 29, 2014, was provided to our office. Based on this plan, the proposed development will consist of one (1) new commercial/industrial building,  $183,930\pm$  ft<sup>2</sup> in size. Loading docks will be constructed on the

west side of the building. We expect that the building will be surrounded by asphaltic concrete pavements for parking and drive lanes and Portland cement concrete pavements for the loading dock area. Landscape planters and concrete flatwork may also be included throughout the site.

Detailed structural information has not been provided. We assume that the new building will be a single story structure of tilt-up concrete construction. The site plan indicates that second floor mezzanine office areas will be constructed in the northeast and southwest corners of the building. Based on the assumed construction, maximum column and wall loads are expected to be on the order of 80 kips and 3 to 5 kips per linear foot, respectively.

The conceptual grading plan indicates the building will possess a sloping floor, with finished floor grades ranging between 1086.05 to 1088.02 feet msl. No significant amounts of below grade construction, such as basements or crawl spaces, are expected to be included in the proposed development. Based on the conceptual grading plan, cuts of up to 2± feet and fills up to 4± feet are expected to be necessary to achieve the proposed building pad grades.

## **4.0 SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION**

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### **4.1 Scope of Exploration/Sampling Methods**

The subsurface exploration conducted for this project consisted of seven (7) borings advanced to depths of 5 to 30± feet below currently existing site grades. All of the borings were logged during drilling by a member of our staff.

The borings were advanced with hollow-stem augers, by a conventional truck-mounted drilling rig. Representative bulk and in-situ soil samples were taken during drilling. Relatively undisturbed in-situ samples were taken with a split barrel "California Sampler" containing a series of one inch long, 2.416± inch diameter brass rings. This sampling method is described in ASTM Test Method D-3550. In-situ samples were also taken using a 1.4± inch inside diameter split spoon sampler, in general accordance with ASTM D-1586. Both of these samplers are driven into the ground with successive blows of a 140-pound weight falling 30 inches. The blow counts obtained during driving are recorded for further analysis. Bulk samples were collected in plastic bags to retain their original moisture content. The relatively undisturbed ring samples were placed in molded plastic sleeves that were then sealed and transported to our laboratory.

The approximate locations of the borings are indicated on the Boring Location Plan, included as Plate 2 in Appendix A of this report. The Boring Logs, which illustrate the conditions encountered at the boring locations, as well as the results of some of the laboratory testing, are included in Appendix B.

### **4.2 Geotechnical Conditions**

#### Alluvium

Native alluvium was encountered at the ground surface at all of the boring locations. At several of the borings, the near-surface alluvium, within the upper 3 to 3½± feet, possesses a disturbed appearance and is identified as disturbed alluvium on the boring logs. These disturbed soils generally consist of loose to medium dense silty fine sands with occasional traces of fine gravel. These soils resemble the composition and color of the native alluvium encountered at similar depths, but also possess a disturbed appearance. Undisturbed alluvial soils were encountered at all of the boring locations, beneath the disturbed alluvium or at the ground surface. Undisturbed alluvium extends to at least the maximum depth explored of 30± feet. The native alluvium generally consists of medium dense silty fine sands, underlain by interbedded strata of medium dense to dense, fine to coarse sands, gravelly fine to coarse sands, fine sands, and silty fine sands. Some of these soils possess occasional cobbles.

## Groundwater

Free water was not encountered during the drilling of any of the borings. Delayed readings with the open boreholes were not possible due to caving within the borings. Based on the lack of any water within the borings, and the moisture contents of the recovered soil samples, the static groundwater table is considered to have existed at a depth in excess of  $30\pm$  feet at the time of the subsurface exploration.

## **5.0 LABORATORY TESTING**

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The soil samples recovered from the subsurface exploration were returned to our laboratory for further testing to determine selected physical and engineering properties of the soils. The tests are briefly discussed below. It should be noted that the test results are specific to the actual samples tested, and variations could be expected at other locations and depths.

### Classification

All recovered soil samples were classified using the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS), in accordance with ASTM D-2488. Field identifications were then supplemented with additional visual classifications and/or by laboratory testing. The USCS classifications are shown on the Boring Logs and are periodically referenced throughout this report.

### In-situ Density and Moisture Content

The density has been determined for selected relatively undisturbed ring samples. These densities were determined in general accordance with the method presented in ASTM D-2937. The results are recorded as dry unit weight in pounds per cubic foot. The moisture contents are determined in accordance with ASTM D-2216, and are expressed as a percentage of the dry weight. These test results are presented on the Boring Logs.

### Consolidation

Selected soil samples have been tested to determine their consolidation potential, in accordance with ASTM D-2435. The testing apparatus is designed to accept either natural or remolded samples in a one-inch high ring, approximately 2.416 inches in diameter. Each sample is then loaded incrementally in a geometric progression and the resulting deflection is recorded at selected time intervals. Porous stones are in contact with the top and bottom of the sample to permit the addition or release of pore water. The samples are typically inundated with water at an intermediate load to determine their potential for collapse or heave. The results of the consolidation testing are plotted on Plates C-1 through C-4 in Appendix C of this report.

### Maximum Dry Density and Optimum Moisture Content

A representative bulk sample has been tested for its maximum dry density and optimum moisture contents. The results have been obtained using the Modified Proctor procedure, per ASTM D-1557 and are presented on Plate C-5 in Appendix C of this report. This test is generally used to compare the in-situ densities of undisturbed field samples, and for later compaction testing. Additional testing of other soil types or soil mixes may be necessary at a later date.

### Expansion Index

The expansion potential of the on-site soils was determined in general accordance with ASTM D-4829 as required by the California Building Code (CBC). The testing apparatus is designed to accept a 4-inch diameter, 1-in high, remolded sample. The sample is initially remolded to  $50 \pm 1$

percent saturation and then loaded with a surcharge equivalent to 144 pounds per square foot. The sample is then inundated with water, and allowed to swell against the surcharge. The resultant swell or consolidation is recorded after a 24-hour period. The results of the EI testing are as follows:

| <b><u>Sample Identification</u></b> | <b><u>Expansion Index</u></b> | <b><u>Expansive Potential</u></b> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| B-3 @ 0 to 5 feet                   | 0                             | Non-Expansive                     |

#### Soluble Sulfates

Representative samples of the near-surface soils were submitted to a subcontracted analytical laboratory for determination of soluble sulfate content. Soluble sulfates are naturally present in soils, and if the concentration is high enough, can result in degradation of concrete which comes into contact with these soils. The result of the soluble sulfate testing is presented below, and is discussed further in a subsequent section of this report.

| <b><u>Sample Identification</u></b> | <b><u>Soluble Sulfates (%)</u></b> | <b><u>ACI 318 Classification</u></b> |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| B-3 @ 0 to 5 feet                   | 0.011                              | Negligible                           |

## **6.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Based on the results of our review, field exploration, laboratory testing and geotechnical analysis, the proposed development is considered feasible from a geotechnical standpoint. The recommendations contained in this report should be taken into the design, construction, and grading considerations. The recommendations are contingent upon all grading and foundation construction activities being monitored by the geotechnical engineer of record. The Grading Guide Specifications, included as Appendix D, should be considered part of this report, and should be incorporated into the project specifications. The contractor and/or owner of the development should bring to the attention of the geotechnical engineer any conditions that differ from those stated in this report, or which may be detrimental for the development.

### **6.1 Seismic Design Considerations**

The subject site is located in an area which is subject to strong ground motions due to earthquakes. The performance of a site specific seismic hazards analysis was beyond the scope of this investigation. However, numerous faults capable of producing significant ground motions are located near the subject site. Due to economic considerations, it is not generally considered reasonable to design a structure that is not susceptible to earthquake damage. Therefore, significant damage to structures may be unavoidable during large earthquakes. The proposed structures should, however, be designed to resist structural collapse and thereby provide reasonable protection from serious injury, catastrophic property damage and loss of life.

#### Faulting and Seismicity

Research of available maps indicates that the subject site is not located within an Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone. Therefore, the possibility of significant fault rupture on the site is considered to be low.

#### Seismic Design Parameters

Based on standards in place at the time of this report, the proposed development is expected to be designed in accordance with the requirements of the 2013 edition of the California Building Code (CBC). The CBC provides procedures for earthquake resistant structural design that include considerations for on-site soil conditions, occupancy, and the configuration of the structure including the structural system and height. The seismic design parameters presented below are based on the soil profile and the proximity of known faults with respect to the subject site.

The 2013 CBC Seismic Design Parameters have been generated using U.S. Seismic Design Maps, a web-based software application developed by the United States Geological Survey. This software application, available at the USGS web site, calculates seismic design parameters in accordance with the 2013 CBC, utilizing a database of deterministic site accelerations at 0.01 degree intervals. The table below is a compilation of the data provided by the USGS application. A copy of the output generated from this program is included in Appendix E of this report. A

copy of the Design Response Spectrum, as generated by the USGS application is also included in Appendix E. Based on this output, the following parameters may be utilized for the subject site:

### **2013 CBC SEISMIC DESIGN PARAMETERS**

| <b>Parameter</b>                                      |          | <b>Value</b> |
|---|----------|--------------|
| Mapped Spectral Acceleration at 0.2 sec Period        | $S_S$    | 1.570        |
| Mapped Spectral Acceleration at 1.0 sec Period        | $S_1$    | 0.680        |
| Site Class  | ---      | D            |
| Site Modified Spectral Acceleration at 0.2 sec Period | $S_{MS}$ | 1.570        |
| Site Modified Spectral Acceleration at 1.0 sec Period | $S_{M1}$ | 1.020        |
| Design Spectral Acceleration at 0.2 sec Period        | $S_{DS}$ | 1.046        |
| Design Spectral Acceleration at 1.0 sec Period        | $S_{D1}$ | 0.680        |

#### Liquefaction

Liquefaction is the loss of the strength in generally cohesionless, saturated soils when the pore-water pressure induced in the soil by a seismic event becomes equal to or exceeds the overburden pressure. The primary factors which influence the potential for liquefaction include groundwater table elevation, soil type and grain size characteristics, relative density of the soil, initial confining pressure, and intensity and duration of ground shaking. The depth within which the occurrence of liquefaction may impact surface improvements is generally identified as the upper 50 feet below the existing ground surface. Liquefaction potential is greater in saturated, loose, poorly graded fine sands with a mean ( $d_{50}$ ) grain size in the range of 0.075 to 0.2 mm (Seed and Idriss, 1971). Clayey (cohesive) soils or soils which possess clay particles ( $d < 0.005\text{mm}$ ) in excess of 20 percent (Seed and Idriss, 1982) are generally not considered to be susceptible to liquefaction, nor are those soils which are above the historic static groundwater table.

The California Geological Survey (CGS) has not yet conducted detailed seismic hazards mapping in the area of the subject site. The general liquefaction susceptibility of the site was determined by research of the San Bernardino County Official Land Use Plan, General Plan, Geologic Hazard Overlay. The map for the Fontana Quadrangle, which is identified as Map No. FH29, indicates that the subject site is not located within a liquefaction hazard zone. Based on the mapping performed by the county of San Bernardino and the subsurface conditions encountered at the boring locations, liquefaction is not considered to be a design concern for this project.

## **6.2 Geotechnical Design Considerations**

#### General

Some of the borings encountered disturbed native alluvium at the ground surface, extending to depths of 3 to  $3\frac{1}{2} \pm$  feet. The disturbed alluvium possesses variable strengths and densities, and

is not considered suitable, in its present state, for the support of the foundations or floor slabs of the new structure. Furthermore, the results of laboratory testing indicate that native alluvium within the upper 5 to 6± feet possesses a moderate potential for collapse when inundated with water. Therefore, remedial grading is recommended to remove the disturbed alluvium and the upper portion of the undisturbed native alluvium. These soils may be replaced as engineered fill.

### Settlement

The recommended remedial grading will remove the potentially compressible, variable strength undocumented fill soils and a portion of the native alluvial soils, and replace them as compacted structural fill. The native soils that will remain in place below the recommended depth of overexcavation will not be subject to significant stress increases from the foundations of the new structure. Therefore, following completion of the recommended grading, post-construction settlements are expected to be within tolerable limits.

### Expansion

The results of expansion index testing indicates that the near-surface soils possess a very low expansion potential (EI = 0). Therefore, no design considerations related to expansive soils are considered warranted for this site.

### Soluble Sulfates

The results of the soluble sulfate testing indicate that the selected samples of the on-site soils possess concentrations of soluble sulfates which indicate a negligible potential to attack concrete, in accordance with the American Concrete Institute (ACI) Publication 318-05 Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete and Commentary, Section 4.3. Therefore, no specialized concrete mix designs are considered warranted, with regard to sulfate protection. We do, however, recommend that additional sulfate testing be conducted after the completion of rough grading.

### Shrinkage/Subsidence

Removal and recompaction of the near surface fill soils is estimated to result in an average shrinkage of 12 to 17 percent. Minor ground subsidence is expected to occur in the soils below the zone of removal, due to settlement and machinery working. The subsidence is estimated to be 0.1± feet. This estimate may be used for grading in areas that are underlain by native alluvial soils.

These estimates are based on previous experience and the subsurface conditions encountered at the boring locations. The actual amount of subsidence is expected to be variable and will be dependent on the type of machinery used, repetitions of use, and dynamic effects, all of which are difficult to assess precisely.

### Grading and Foundation Plan Review

No grading or foundation plans were available at the time of this report. It is therefore recommended that we be provided with copies of the preliminary plans, when they become

available, for review with regard to the conclusions, recommendations, and assumptions contained within this report.

### **6.3 Site Grading Recommendations**

The grading recommendations presented below are based on the subsurface conditions encountered at the boring locations and our understanding of the proposed development. We recommend that all grading activities be completed in accordance with the Grading Guide Specifications included as Appendix D of this report, unless superseded by site-specific recommendations presented below.

#### Site Stripping and Demolition

Remnants of two asphaltic concrete streets are present at the site. Additionally, our review of readily available aerial photographs indicates that the site was previously developed as a residential subdivision. Initial site preparation should include the demolition of the existing roads, slabs, and foundations. Site demolition should also include any utilities, septic systems, and any other subsurface improvements associated with the previous development of the site. Debris resultant from demolition should be disposed of offsite. Alternatively, concrete and asphalt debris may be crushed to a maximum 2-inch particle size, mixed with the on-site soils, and reused as compacted structural fill. It may also be feasible to crush these materials for use as crushed miscellaneous base (CMB).

Initial site preparation should include stripping of any topsoil, vegetation and organic debris on the site. Based on conditions observed at the time of the subsurface exploration, this will include native grass and weed growth and occasional shrubs and trees. These materials should be disposed of off-site. The actual extent of stripping should be determined in the field by a representative of the geotechnical engineer, based on the organic content and the stability of the encountered materials.

#### Treatment of Existing Soils: Building Pad

Remedial grading should be performed within the new building pad area, in order to remove the disturbed alluvium and a portion of the undisturbed, collapsible alluvium. Overexcavation within the building pad area is recommended to extend to a minimum depth of at least 3 feet below existing grade. In order to provide for a relatively uniform layer of compacted structural fill, the overexcavation is also recommended to extend to a depth of at least 3 feet below the proposed pad grades. Additional overexcavation should be performed within the influence zones of the new foundations, extending to a depth of 3 feet below proposed bearing grade. The overexcavation should also extend to a sufficient depth to remove any disturbed soils which extend to a depth of  $3\frac{1}{2} \pm$  feet at one of the boring locations.

The overexcavation area should extend at least 5 feet beyond the building perimeter, and to an extent equal to the depth of fill below the new foundations. If the proposed structure incorporates any exterior columns (such as for a canopy or overhang) the area of overexcavation should also encompass these areas.

Following completion of the overexcavation, the subgrade soils within the building area should be evaluated by the geotechnical engineer to verify their suitability to serve as the structural fill subgrade, as well as to support the foundation loads of the new structure. This evaluation should include proofrolling and probing to identify any soft, loose or otherwise unstable soils that must be removed. Some localized areas of deeper excavation may be required if additional fill materials or loose, porous, or low density native soils are encountered at the base of the overexcavation.

After a suitable overexcavation subgrade has been achieved, the exposed soils should be scarified to a depth of at least 12 inches and thoroughly moisture conditioned to achieve a moisture content of 2 to 4 percent above optimum moisture content, to a depth of at least 24 inches below the overexcavation subgrade. The subgrade soils should then be recompacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density. The previously excavated soils may then be replaced as compacted structural fill.

#### Treatment of Existing Soils: Retaining Walls and Site Walls

The existing soils within the areas of proposed retaining walls should be overexcavated to a depth of 3 feet below foundation bearing grade and replaced as compacted structural fill, as discussed above for the proposed building pad. Any undocumented fill soils should also be removed from the retaining wall areas. Subgrade soils in areas of non-retaining site walls should be overexcavated to a depth of 2 feet below proposed bearing grade. In both cases, the overexcavation subgrade soils should be evaluated by the geotechnical engineer prior to scarifying, moisture conditioning and recompacting the upper 12 inches of exposed subgrade soils. The previously excavated soils may then be replaced as compacted structural fill.

#### Treatment of Existing Soils: Parking Areas

Based on economic considerations, overexcavation of the existing soils in the new parking areas is not considered warranted, with the exception of areas where lower strength, or unstable soils are identified by the geotechnical engineer during grading.

Subgrade preparation in the new parking areas should initially consist of removal of all soils disturbed during stripping and demolition operations. The geotechnical engineer should then evaluate the subgrade to identify any areas of additional unsuitable soils. The subgrade soils should then be scarified to a depth of 12± inches, moisture conditioned to 2 to 4 percent above optimum, and recompacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density. Based on the presence of variable strength alluvial soils throughout the site, it is expected that some isolated areas of additional overexcavation may be required to remove zones of lower strength, unsuitable soils.

The grading recommendations presented above for the proposed parking and drive areas assume that the owner and/or developer can tolerate minor amounts of settlement within the proposed parking areas. The grading recommendations presented above do not mitigate the extent of potentially compressible soils and undocumented fill soils in the parking areas. As such, settlement and associated pavement distress could occur. Typically, repair of such distressed areas involves significantly lower costs than completely mitigating these soils at the time of

construction. If the owner cannot tolerate the risk of such settlements, the parking and drive areas should be graded in a manner similar to that described for the building area.

### Fill Placement

- Fill soils should be placed in thin ( $6\pm$  inches), near-horizontal lifts, moisture conditioned to 2 to 4 percent above the optimum moisture content, and compacted.
- On-site soils may be used for fill provided they are cleaned of any debris to the satisfaction of the geotechnical engineer.
- All grading and fill placement activities should be completed in accordance with the requirements of the CBC and the grading code of the county of San Bernardino.
- All fill soils should be compacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density. Fill soils should be well mixed.
- Compaction tests should be performed periodically by the geotechnical engineer as random verification of compaction and moisture content. These tests are intended to aid the contractor. Since the tests are taken at discrete locations and depths, they may not be indicative of the entire fill and therefore should not relieve the contractor of his responsibility to meet the job specifications.

### Imported Structural Fill

All imported structural fill should consist of very low expansive ( $EI < 20$ ), well graded soils possessing at least 10 percent fines (that portion of the sample passing the No. 200 sieve). Additional specifications for structural fill are presented in the Grading Guide Specifications, included as Appendix D.

### Utility Trench Backfill

In general, all utility trench backfill soils should be compacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density. As an alternative, a clean sand (minimum Sand Equivalent of 30) may be placed within trenches and compacted in place (jetting or flooding is not recommended). Compacted trench backfill should conform to the requirements of the local grading code, and more restrictive requirements may be indicated by the county of San Bernardino. All utility trench backfills should be witnessed by the geotechnical engineer. The trench backfill soils should be compaction tested where possible; probed and visually evaluated elsewhere.

Utility trenches which parallel a footing, and extending below a 1h:1v plane projected from the outside edge of the footing should be backfilled with structural fill soils, compacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 standard. Pea gravel backfill should not be used for these trenches.

## **6.4 Construction Considerations**

### Excavation Considerations

The near-surface soils generally consist of silty fine sands underlain by well graded sandy soils. These materials will likely be subject to caving within shallow excavations. Where caving occurs within shallow excavations, flattened excavation slopes may be sufficient to provide excavation

stability. On a preliminary basis, the inclination of temporary slopes should not exceed 2h:1v. Deeper excavations may require some form of external stabilization such as shoring or bracing. Maintaining adequate moisture content within the near-surface soils will improve excavation stability. All excavation activities on this site should be conducted in accordance with Cal-OSHA regulations.

### Groundwater

The static groundwater table at this site is considered to exist at a depth in excess of 30± feet. Therefore, groundwater is not expected to impact the grading or foundation construction activities.

## **6.5 Foundation Design and Construction**

Based on the preceding grading recommendations, it is assumed that the new building pad will be underlain by structural fill soils used to replace existing unsuitable near surface soils. These new structural fill soils are expected to extend to depths of at least 3 feet below proposed foundation bearing grade. These soils will be underlain by 1± foot of additional soil that has been densified and moisture conditioned in place. Based on this subsurface profile, the proposed building may be supported on conventional shallow foundations.

### Building Foundation Design Parameters

New square and rectangular footings may be designed as follows:

- Maximum, net allowable soil bearing pressure: 2,500 lbs/ft<sup>2</sup>.
- Minimum wall/column footing width: 14 inches/24 inches.
- Minimum longitudinal steel reinforcement within strip footings: Four (4) No. 5 rebars (2 top and 2 bottom).
- Minimum foundation embedment: 12 inches into suitable structural fill soils, and at least 18 inches below adjacent exterior grade. Interior column footings may be placed immediately beneath the floor slab.
- It is recommended that the perimeter building foundations be continuous across all exterior doorways. Any flatwork adjacent to the exterior doors should be doweled into the perimeter foundations in a manner determined by the structural engineer.

The allowable bearing pressures presented above may be increased by one-third when considering short duration wind or seismic loads. The minimum steel reinforcement recommended above is based on geotechnical considerations; additional reinforcement may be necessary for structural considerations. The actual design of the foundations should be determined by the structural engineer.

## Foundation Construction

The foundation subgrade soils should be evaluated at the time of overexcavation, as discussed in Section 6.3 of this report. It is further recommended that the foundation subgrade soils be evaluated by the geotechnical engineer immediately prior to steel or concrete placement. Soils suitable for direct foundation support should consist of newly placed structural fill, compacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density. Any unsuitable materials should be removed to a depth of suitable bearing compacted structural fill, with the resulting excavations backfilled with compacted fill soils. As an alternative, lean concrete slurry (500 to 1,500 psi) may be used to backfill such isolated overexcavations.

The foundation subgrade soils should also be properly moisture conditioned to 2 to 4 percent above the Modified Proctor optimum, to a depth of at least 12 inches below bearing grade. Since it is typically not feasible to increase the moisture content of the floor slab and foundation subgrade soils once rough grading has been completed, care should be taken to maintain the moisture content of the building pad subgrade soils throughout the construction process.

## Estimated Foundation Settlements

Post-construction total and differential settlements of shallow foundations designed and constructed in accordance with the previously presented recommendations are estimated to be less than 1.0 and 0.5 inches, respectively. Differential movements are expected to occur over a 30-foot span, thereby resulting in an angular distortion of less than 0.002 inches per inch.

## Lateral Load Resistance

Lateral load resistance will be developed by a combination of friction acting at the base of foundations and slabs and the passive earth pressure developed by footings below grade. The following friction and passive pressure may be used to resist lateral forces:

- Passive Earth Pressure: 300 lbs/ft<sup>3</sup>
- Friction Coefficient: 0.30

These are allowable values, and include a factor of safety. When combining friction and passive resistance, the passive pressure component should be reduced by one-third. These values assume that footings will be poured directly against compacted structural fill. The maximum allowable passive pressure is 2,500 lbs/ft<sup>2</sup>.

## **6.6 Floor Slab Design and Construction**

Subgrades which will support new floor slabs should be prepared in accordance with the recommendations contained in the ***Site Grading Recommendations*** section of this report. Based on the anticipated grading which will occur at this site, the floor of the new structure may be constructed as a conventional slab-on-grade supported on newly placed structural fill, extending to a depth of at least 3 feet below finished pad grade. Based on geotechnical considerations, the floor slab may be designed as follows:

- Minimum slab thickness: 5 inches.
- Minimum slab reinforcement: Not required for geotechnical considerations. The actual floor slab reinforcement should be determined by the structural engineer, based upon the imposed loading.
- Slab underlayment: If moisture sensitive floor coverings will be used then minimum slab underlayment should consist of a moisture vapor barrier constructed below the area of the proposed slab where such floor coverings are anticipated. The moisture vapor barrier should meet or exceed the Class A rating as defined by ASTM E 1745-97 and have a permeance rating less than 0.01 perms as described in ASTM E 96-95 and ASTM E 154-88. The moisture vapor barrier should be properly constructed in accordance with all applicable manufacturer specifications. Given that a rock free subgrade is anticipated and that a capillary break is not required, sand below the barrier is not required. The need for sand and/or the amount of sand above the moisture vapor barrier should be specified by the structural engineer or concrete contractor. The selection of sand above the barrier is not a geotechnical engineering issue and hence outside our purview.
- Moisture condition the floor slab subgrade soils to 2 to 4 percent above the Modified Proctor optimum moisture content, to a depth of 12 inches. The moisture content of the floor slab subgrade soils should be verified by the geotechnical engineer within 24 hours prior to concrete placement.
- Proper concrete curing techniques should be utilized to reduce the potential for slab curling or the formation of excessive shrinkage cracks.

The actual design of the floor slab should be completed by the structural engineer to verify adequate thickness and reinforcement.

## **6.7 Retaining Wall Design and Construction**

Although not indicated on the site plan, some small (less than 3 to 5± feet in height) retaining walls may be required to facilitate the new site grades. It is also expected that some retaining walls will be required in the new loading dock areas. The parameters recommended for use in the design of these walls are presented below.

### Retaining Wall Design Parameters

Based on the soil conditions encountered at the boring locations, the following parameters may be used in the design of new retaining walls for this site. The following parameters assume that only the on-site soils will be utilized for retaining wall backfill. The near surface soils generally consist of silty fine sands underlain by well graded granular soils. Based on their composition, the on-site soils have been assigned a friction angle of 30 degrees.

If desired, SCG could provide design parameters for an alternative select backfill material behind the retaining walls. The use of select backfill material could result in lower lateral earth

pressures. In order to use the design parameters for the imported select fill, this material must be placed within the entire active failure wedge. This wedge is defined as extending from the heel of the retaining wall upwards at an angle of approximately 60° from horizontal. If select backfill material behind the retaining wall is desired, SCG should be contacted for supplementary recommendations.

### RETAINING WALL DESIGN PARAMETERS

| Design Parameter                   |                                    | Soil Type                     |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                                    |                                    | On-Site Silty Sands and Sands |
| Internal Friction Angle ( $\phi$ ) |                                    | 30°                           |
| Unit Weight                        |                                    | 125 lbs/ft <sup>3</sup>       |
| Equivalent Fluid Pressure:         | Active Condition (level backfill)  | 42 lbs/ft <sup>3</sup>        |
|                                    | Active Condition (2h:1v backfill)  | 67 lbs/ft <sup>3</sup>        |
|                                    | At-Rest Condition (level backfill) | 63 lbs/ft <sup>3</sup>        |

Regardless of the backfill type, the walls should be designed using a soil-footing coefficient of friction of 0.30 and an equivalent passive pressure of 300 lbs/ft<sup>3</sup>. The structural engineer should incorporate appropriate factors of safety in the design of the retaining walls.

The active earth pressure may be used for the design of retaining walls that do not directly support structures or support soils that in turn support structures and which will be allowed to deflect. The at-rest earth pressure should be used for walls that will not be allowed to deflect such as those which will support foundation bearing soils, or which will support foundation loads directly.

Where the soils on the toe side of the retaining wall are not covered by a "hard" surface such as a structure or pavement, the upper 1 foot of soil should be neglected when calculating passive resistance due to the potential for the material to become disturbed or degraded during the life of the structure.

#### Retaining Wall Foundation Design

The retaining wall foundations should be supported within newly placed compacted structural fill, extending to a depth of at least 2 feet below the proposed bearing grade. Foundations to support new retaining walls should be designed in accordance with the general Foundation Design Parameters presented in a previous section of this report.

#### Backfill Material

It is recommended that a prefabricated drainage composite such as the MiraDRAIN 6000XL (or approved equivalent), which is specifically designed for use behind retaining walls, be placed against the face of the retaining walls. The drainage composite should be installed in accordance

with the manufacturer's specifications and extend from the top of the retaining wall footing to within 1 foot of the ground surface on the back side of the retaining wall. If the backfill soils are not covered by an impermeable surface, such as a structure or pavement, a 12-inch thick layer of a low permeability soil should be placed over the backfill to reduce surface water migration to the underlying soils.

All retaining wall backfill should be placed and compacted under engineering controlled conditions in the necessary layer thicknesses to ensure an in-place density between 90 and 93 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by the Modified Proctor test (ASTM D1557-91). Care should be taken to avoid over-compaction of the soils behind the retaining walls, and the use of heavy compaction equipment should be avoided.

### Seismic Lateral Earth Pressures

In accordance with the 2013 CBC, any walls retaining 6 or more feet (in height) of soil must be designed for seismic lateral earth pressures. If walls retaining 6 feet or more are required for this site, the geotechnical engineer should be contacted for supplementary seismic lateral earth pressure recommendations.

### Subsurface Drainage

As previously indicated, the retaining wall design parameters are based upon drained backfill conditions. Consequently, some form of permanent drainage system will be necessary in conjunction with the appropriate backfill material. Subsurface drainage may consist of either:

- A weep hole drainage system typically consisting of a series of 4-inch diameter holes in the wall situated slightly above the ground surface elevation on the exposed side of the wall and at an approximate 8-foot on-center spacing. The weep holes should include a 2 cubic foot pocket of open graded gravel, surrounded by an approved geotextile fabric, at each weep hole location.
- A 4-inch diameter perforated pipe surrounded by 2 cubic feet of gravel per linear foot of drain placed behind the wall, above the retaining wall footing. The gravel layer should be wrapped in a suitable geotextile fabric to reduce the potential for migration of fines. The footing drain should be extended to daylight or tied into a storm drainage system.

## **6.8 Pavement Design Parameters**

Site preparation in the pavement area should be completed as previously recommended in the ***Site Grading Recommendations*** section of this report. The subsequent pavement recommendations assume proper drainage and construction monitoring, and are based on either PCA or CALTRANS design parameters for a twenty (20) year design period. However, these designs also assume a routine pavement maintenance program to obtain the anticipated 20-year pavement service life.

## Pavement Subgrades

It is anticipated that the new pavements will be primarily supported on a layer of compacted structural fill, consisting of scarified, thoroughly moisture conditioned and recompacted existing soils. The near surface soils generally consist of silty fine sands which are underlain by well graded sandy soils. Based on their classification, these materials are expected to possess good pavement support characteristics, with R-values in the range of 50 to 60. Since R-value testing was not included in the scope of services for this project, the subsequent pavement design is based upon a conservatively assumed R-value of 50. Any fill material imported to the site should have support characteristics equal to or greater than that of the on-site soils and be placed and compacted under engineering controlled conditions. It is recommended that R-value testing be performed after completion of rough grading. Depending upon the results of the R-value testing, it may be feasible to use thinner pavement sections in some areas of the site.

## Asphaltic Concrete

Presented below are the recommended thicknesses for new flexible pavement structures consisting of asphaltic concrete over a granular base. The pavement designs are based on the traffic indices (TI's) indicated. The client and/or civil engineer should verify that these TI's are representative of the anticipated traffic volumes. If the client and/or civil engineer determine that the expected traffic volume will exceed the applicable traffic index, we should be contacted for supplementary recommendations. The design traffic indices equate to the following approximate daily traffic volumes over a 20 year design life, assuming six operational traffic days per week.

| <b>Traffic Index</b> | <b>No. of Heavy Trucks per Day</b> |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 4.0                  | 0                                  |
| 5.0                  | 1                                  |
| 6.0                  | 3                                  |
| 7.0                  | 11                                 |
| 8.0                  | 35                                 |
| 9.0                  | 93                                 |

For the purpose of the traffic volumes indicated above, a truck is defined as a 5-axle tractor trailer unit with one 8-kip axle and two 32-kip tandem axles. All of the traffic indices allow for 1,000 automobiles per day.

| <b>ASPHALT PAVEMENTS (R = 50)</b> |  |                                |                                   |                                |                                |
|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Materials</b>                  | <b>Thickness (inches)</b>                |                                |                                   |                                |                                |
|                                   | Auto Parking and Drives (TI = 4.0 & 5.0) | Light Truck Traffic (TI = 6.0) | Moderate Truck Traffic (TI = 7.0) | Heavy Truck Traffic (TI = 8.0) | Heavy Truck Traffic (TI = 9.0) |
| Asphalt Concrete                  | 3  | 3½                             | 4                                 | 5                              | 6                              |
| Aggregate Base                    | 3  | 4                              | 5                                 | 5                              | 6                              |
| Compacted Subgrade                | 12                                       | 12                             | 12                                | 12                             | 12                             |

The aggregate base course should be compacted to at least 95 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density. The asphaltic concrete should be compacted to at least 95 percent of the Marshall maximum density, as determined by ASTM D-2726. The aggregate base course may consist of crushed aggregate base (CAB) or crushed miscellaneous base (CMB), which is a recycled gravel, asphalt and concrete material. The gradation, R-Value, Sand Equivalent, and Percentage Wear of the CAB or CMB should comply with appropriate specifications contained in the current edition of the "Greenbook" Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction.

#### Portland Cement Concrete

The preparation of the subgrade soils within concrete pavement areas should be performed as previously described for proposed asphalt pavement areas. The minimum recommended thicknesses for the Portland Cement Concrete pavement sections are as follows:

| <b>PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENTS</b> |  |                                   |                                |                                |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Materials</b>                          | <b>Thickness (inches)</b>                    |                                   |                                |                                |
|   | Autos & Light Truck Traffic (TI = 5.0 & 6.0) | Moderate Truck Traffic (TI = 7.0) | Heavy Truck Traffic (TI = 8.0) | Heavy Truck Traffic (TI = 9.0) |
| PCC                                       | 5  | 6½                                | 8                              | 9                              |
| Compacted Subgrade                        | 12   | 12                                | 12                             | 12                             |

The concrete should have a 28-day compressive strength of at least 3,000 psi. The maximum joint spacing within all of the PCC pavements is recommended to be equal to or less than 30 times the pavement thickness.

## **7.0 GENERAL COMMENTS**

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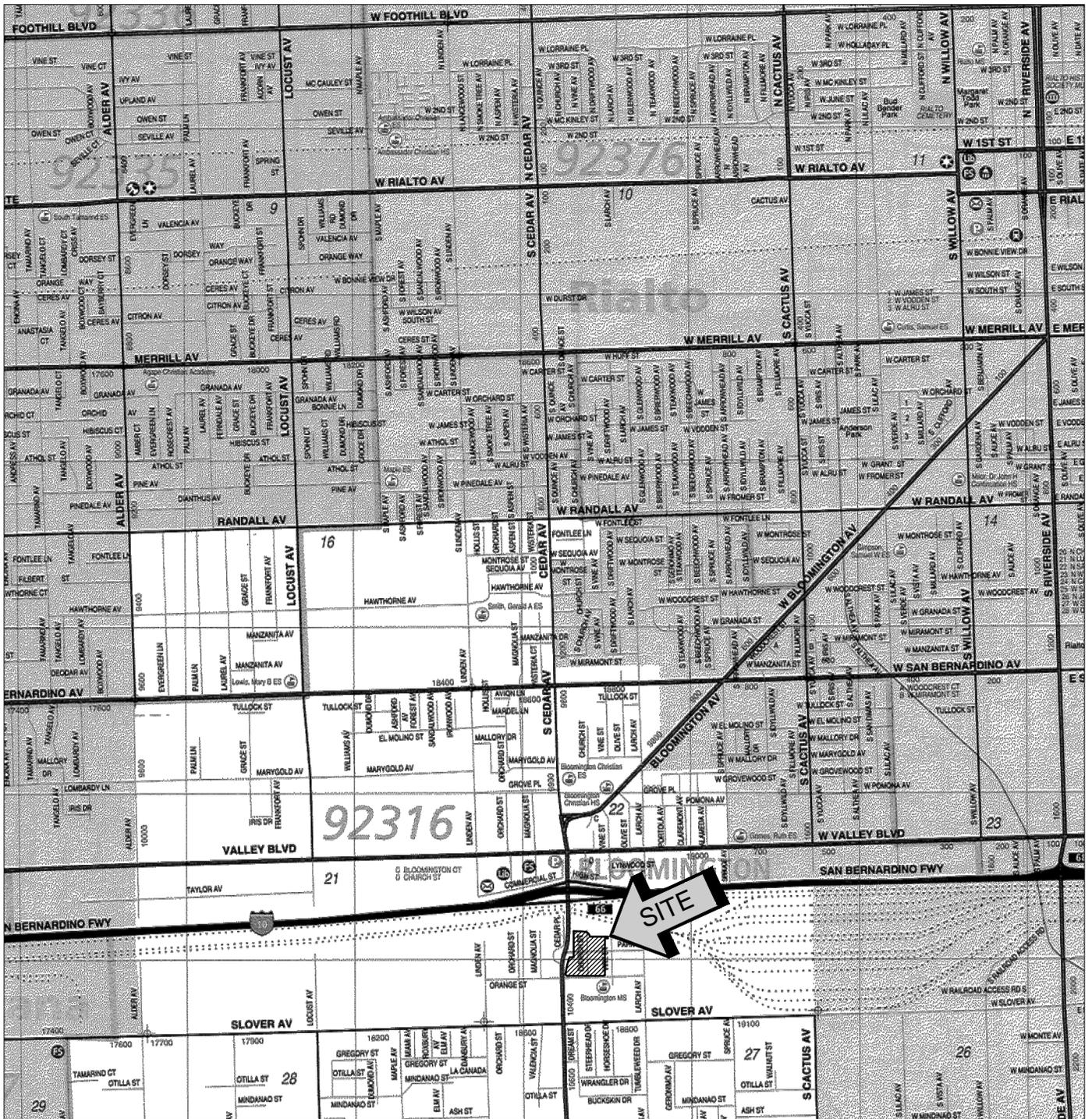
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The analysis of this site was based on a subsurface profile interpolated from limited discrete soil samples. While the materials encountered in the project area are considered to be representative of the total area, some variations should be expected between boring locations and sample depths. If the conditions encountered during construction vary significantly from those detailed herein, we should be contacted immediately to determine if the conditions alter the recommendations contained herein.

This report has been based on assumed or provided characteristics of the proposed development. It is recommended that the owner, client, architect, structural engineer, and civil engineer carefully review these assumptions to ensure that they are consistent with the characteristics of the proposed development. If discrepancies exist, they should be brought to our attention to verify that they do not affect the conclusions and recommendations contained herein. We also recommend that the project plans and specifications be submitted to our office for review to verify that our recommendations have been correctly interpreted.

The analysis, conclusions, and recommendations contained within this report have been promulgated in accordance with generally accepted professional geotechnical engineering practice. No other warranty is implied or expressed.

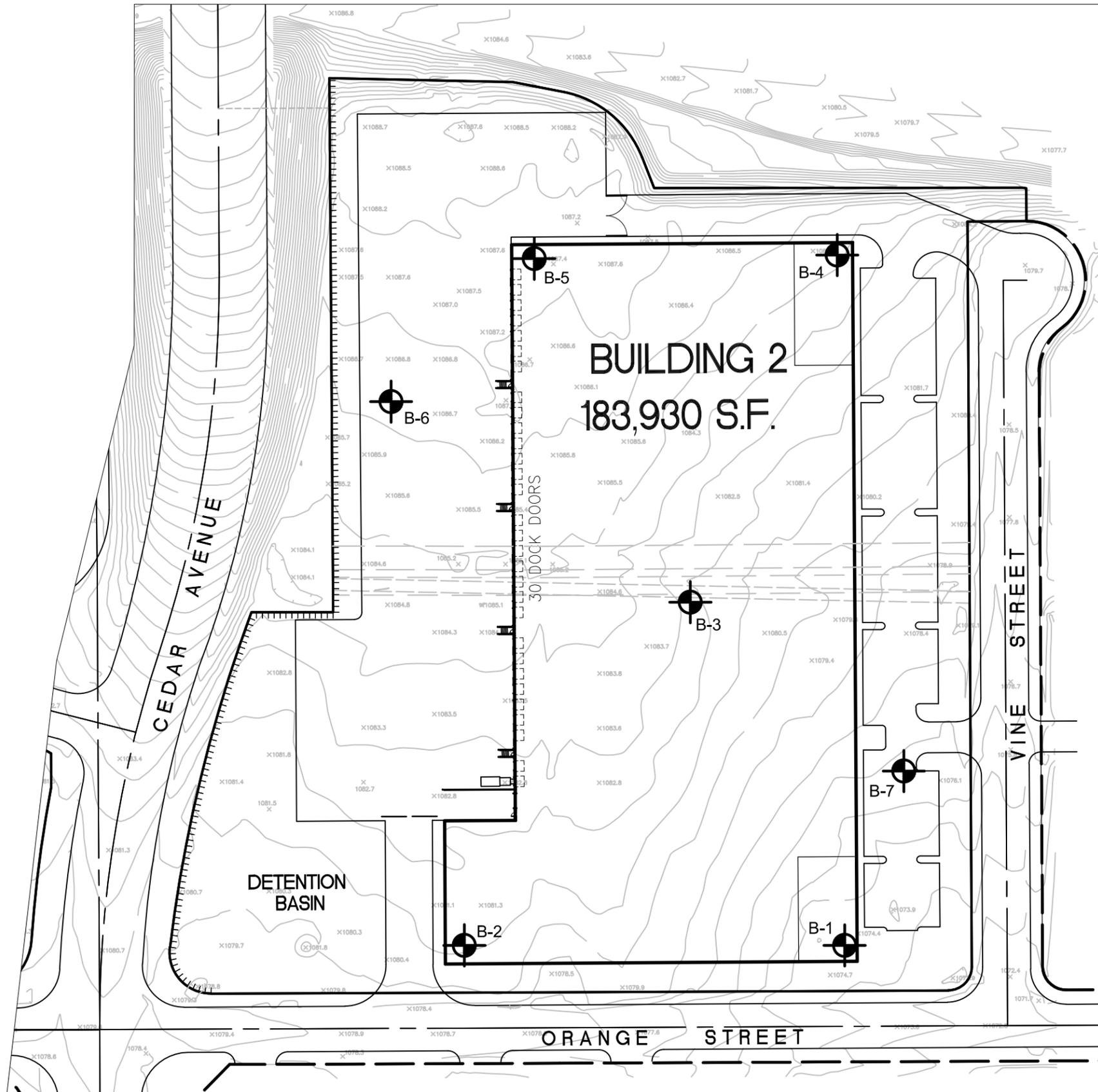
# APPENDIX A



SOURCE: SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY  
THOMAS GUIDE, 2013



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| <b>SITE LOCATION MAP</b>                       |  |
| <b>PROPOSED COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL BUILDING</b> |  |
| <b>SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA</b>       |  |
| SCALE: 1" = 2400'                              | <br><b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEOTECHNICAL</b> |
| DRAWN: KVC                                     |  |
| CHKD: JAS                                      |  |
| SCG PROJECT 14G189-1                           |  |
| <b>PLATE 1</b>                                 |  |



**GEOTECHNICAL LEGEND**

 APPROXIMATE BORING LOCATION

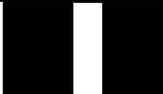
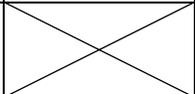
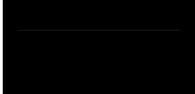


NOTE: BASE MAP PREPARED BY HALL & FOREMAN, INC.

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| <b>BORING LOCATION PLAN</b>             |   |
| PROPOSED COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL BUILDING |   |
| SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA       |   |
| SCALE: 1" = 100'                        |  <b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEOTECHNICAL</b> |
| DRAWN: RF                               |   |
| CHKD: JAS                               |   |
| SCG PROJECT 14G189-1                    |   |
| <b>PLATE 2</b>                          |   |

# APPENDIX B

# BORING LOG LEGEND

| SAMPLE TYPE | GRAPHICAL SYMBOL   | SAMPLE DESCRIPTION   |
|-------------|--|--|
| AUGER       |   | SAMPLE COLLECTED FROM AUGER CUTTINGS, NO FIELD MEASUREMENT OF SOIL STRENGTH. (DISTURBED)   |
| CORE        |   | ROCK CORE SAMPLE: TYPICALLY TAKEN WITH A DIAMOND-TIPPED CORE BARREL. TYPICALLY USED ONLY IN HIGHLY CONSOLIDATED BEDROCK.                       |
| GRAB        |   | SOIL SAMPLE TAKEN WITH NO SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS FROM A STOCKPILE OR THE GROUND SURFACE. (DISTURBED)                                   |
| CS          |   | CALIFORNIA SAMPLER: 2-1/2 INCH I.D. SPLIT BARREL SAMPLER, LINED WITH 1-INCH HIGH BRASS RINGS. DRIVEN WITH SPT HAMMER. (RELATIVELY UNDISTURBED) |
| NSR         |   | NO RECOVERY: THE SAMPLING ATTEMPT DID NOT RESULT IN RECOVERY OF ANY SIGNIFICANT SOIL OR ROCK MATERIAL.   |
| SPT         |   | STANDARD PENETRATION TEST: SAMPLER IS A 1.4 INCH INSIDE DIAMETER SPLIT BARREL, DRIVEN 18 INCHES WITH THE SPT HAMMER. (DISTURBED)               |
| SH          |   | SHELBY TUBE: TAKEN WITH A THIN WALL SAMPLE TUBE, PUSHED INTO THE SOIL AND THEN EXTRACTED. (UNDISTURBED)  |
| VANE        |  | VANE SHEAR TEST: SOIL STRENGTH OBTAINED USING A 4 BLADED SHEAR DEVICE. TYPICALLY USED IN SOFT CLAYS-NO SAMPLE RECOVERED.                       |

## COLUMN DESCRIPTIONS

### DEPTH:

Distance in feet below the ground surface.

### SAMPLE:

Sample Type as depicted above.

### BLOW COUNT:

Number of blows required to advance the sampler 12 inches using a 140 lb hammer with a 30-inch drop. 50/3" indicates penetration refusal (>50 blows) at 3 inches. WH indicates that the weight of the hammer was sufficient to push the sampler 6 inches or more.

### POCKET PEN.:

Approximate shear strength of a cohesive soil sample as measured by pocket penetrometer.

### GRAPHIC LOG:

Graphic Soil Symbol as depicted on the following page.

### DRY DENSITY:

Dry density of an undisturbed or relatively undisturbed sample in lbs/ft<sup>3</sup>.

### MOISTURE CONTENT:

Moisture content of a soil sample, expressed as a percentage of the dry weight.

### LIQUID LIMIT:

The moisture content above which a soil behaves as a liquid.

### PLASTIC LIMIT:

The moisture content above which a soil behaves as a plastic.

### PASSING #200 SIEVE:

The percentage of the sample finer than the #200 standard sieve.

### UNCONFINED SHEAR:

The shear strength of a cohesive soil sample, as measured in the unconfined state.

# SOIL CLASSIFICATION CHART

| MAJOR DIVISIONS   |  |   | SYMBOLS  |  | TYPICAL DESCRIPTIONS  |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|---|--|
|   |  |   | GRAPH  | LETTER   |   |  |
| <p><b>COARSE GRAINED SOILS</b></p> <p>MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS LARGER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE SIZE</p> | <p><b>GRAVEL AND GRAVELLY SOILS</b></p>  | <p>CLEAN GRAVELS</p> <p>(LITTLE OR NO FINES)</p>                  |  | <b>GW</b>                                      | WELL-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES     |  |
|   |  | <p>MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE FRACTION RETAINED ON NO. 4 SIEVE</p>   | <p>GRAVELS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p> |  | <b>GP</b>   | POORLY-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES  |
|   |  |   | <p>GRAVELS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p> |  | <b>GM</b>   | SILTY GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND - SILT MIXTURES   |
|   |  | <p>MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE FRACTION PASSING ON NO. 4 SIEVE</p>    | <p><b>SAND AND SANDY SOILS</b></p>                             | <p>CLEAN SANDS</p> <p>(LITTLE OR NO FINES)</p> |   | <b>SW</b>  |
|   | <p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>   |   |  |  | <b>SP</b>   | POORLY-GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SAND, LITTLE OR NO FINES   |
|   | <p><b>FINE GRAINED SOILS</b></p> <p>MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS SMALLER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE SIZE</p> | <p><b>SILTS AND CLAYS</b></p> <p>LIQUID LIMIT LESS THAN 50</p>    | <p>CLEAN SANDS</p> <p>(LITTLE OR NO FINES)</p>                 |  | <b>SM</b>   | SILTY SANDS, SAND - SILT MIXTURES  |
|   |  |   | <p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>   |  | <b>SC</b>   | CLAYEY SANDS, SAND - CLAY MIXTURES   |
|   |  |   | <p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>   |  | <b>ML</b>   | INORGANIC SILTS AND VERY FINE SANDS, ROCK FLOUR, SILTY OR CLAYEY FINE SANDS OR CLAYEY SILTS WITH SLIGHT PLASTICITY |
|   |  | <p><b>SILTS AND CLAYS</b></p> <p>LIQUID LIMIT GREATER THAN 50</p> | <p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>   |  | <b>CL</b>   | INORGANIC CLAYS OF LOW TO MEDIUM PLASTICITY, GRAVELLY CLAYS, SANDY CLAYS, SILTY CLAYS, LEAN CLAYS                  |
|   |  |   | <p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>   |  | <b>OL</b>   | ORGANIC SILTS AND ORGANIC SILTY CLAYS OF LOW PLASTICITY  |
| <p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>  |  |   |  | <b>MH</b>                                      | INORGANIC SILTS, MICACEOUS OR DIATOMACEOUS FINE SAND OR SILTY SOILS |  |
| <p><b>HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS</b></p>  | <p><b>SILTS AND CLAYS</b></p> <p>LIQUID LIMIT GREATER THAN 50</p>                                    | <p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>      |  | <b>CH</b>                                      | INORGANIC CLAYS OF HIGH PLASTICITY                                  |  |
|   |  | <p>SANDS WITH FINES</p> <p>(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)</p>      |  | <b>OH</b>                                      | ORGANIC CLAYS OF MEDIUM TO HIGH PLASTICITY, ORGANIC SILTS           |  |
| <p><b>HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS</b></p>  |  |   |  | <b>PT</b>                                      | PEAT, HUMUS, SWAMP SOILS WITH HIGH ORGANIC CONTENTS                 |  |

NOTE: DUAL SYMBOLS ARE USED TO INDICATE BORDERLINE SOIL CLASSIFICATIONS





JOB NO.: 14G189      DRILLING DATE: 9/9/14      WATER DEPTH: n/a  
 PROJECT: Proposed C/I Bldg      DRILLING METHOD: Hollow Stem Auger      CAVE DEPTH: 1.5 feet  
 LOCATION: San Bernardino County, California      LOGGED BY: Eric Torres      READING TAKEN: At Completion

| FIELD RESULTS              |        |            |                   | DESCRIPTION | LABORATORY RESULTS   |                   |                      |              |               |                        | COMMENTS |
|----------------------------|--------|------------|-------------------|-------------|--|-------------------|----------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------|----------|
| DEPTH (FEET)               | SAMPLE | BLOW COUNT | POCKET PEN. (TSF) |             | GRAPHIC LOG  | DRY DENSITY (PCF) | MOISTURE CONTENT (%) | LIQUID LIMIT | PLASTIC LIMIT | PASSING #200 SIEVE (%) |          |
| SURFACE ELEVATION: --- MSL |        |            |                   |             |  |                   |                      |              |               |                        |          |
|                            |        | 29         |                   |             | DISTURBED ALLUVIUM: Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine Gravel, slightly porous, medium dense-damp                   | 108               | 3                    |              |               |                        |          |
|                            |        | 38         |                   |             | ALLUVIUM: Light Brown Silty fine to medium Sand, little coarse Sand, medium dense-dry to damp                      | 106               | 3                    |              |               |                        |          |
| 5                          |        | 39         |                   |             | Gray to Gray Brown Gravelly fine to coarse Sand, trace Silt, occasional Cobbles, medium dense to dense-dry to damp | 114               | 2                    |              |               |                        |          |
|                            |        | 55         |                   |             |  | 119               | 1                    |              |               |                        |          |
| 10                         |        | 42         |                   |             |  | 113               | 3                    |              |               |                        |          |
|                            |        | 57         |                   |             |  | 121               | 2                    |              |               |                        |          |
| 15                         |        |            |                   |             |  |                   |                      |              |               |                        |          |
|                            |        | 29         |                   |             |  | 2                 |                      |              |               |                        |          |
| 20                         |        |            |                   |             | Boring Terminated at 20'   |                   |                      |              |               |                        |          |

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 PROJECT: Proposed C/I Bldg      DRILLING METHOD: Hollow Stem Auger      CAVE DEPTH: 1 feet  
 LOCATION: San Bernardino County, California      LOGGED BY: Eric Torres      READING TAKEN: At Completion

| FIELD RESULTS              |        |            |                   | GRAPHIC LOG | DESCRIPTION   | LABORATORY RESULTS   |                      |              |               |                        |                        | COMMENTS |  |
|----------------------------|--------|------------|-------------------|-------------|---|--|----------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------|--|
| DEPTH (FEET)               | SAMPLE | BLOW COUNT | POCKET PEN. (TSF) |             |   | DRY DENSITY (PCF)  | MOISTURE CONTENT (%) | LIQUID LIMIT | PLASTIC LIMIT | PASSING #200 SIEVE (%) | UNCONFINED SHEAR (TSF) |          |  |
| SURFACE ELEVATION: --- MSL |        |            |                   |             |   |  |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 12         |                   |             | <u>ALLUVIUM:</u> Light Brown to Brown Silty fine Sand, trace coarse Sand, trace fine Gravel, medium dense-dry to damp |  | 2                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 23         |                   |             |   |  |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
| 5                          |        |            |                   |             |   | Gray Brown to Brown fine to coarse Sand, trace fine to coarse Gravel, little to some Silt, occasional Cobbles, medium dense-damp |                      | 2            |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 19         |                   |             |   | Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine to coarse Gravel, medium dense-dry to damp   |                      | 2            |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 32         |                   |             |   | Gray to Gray Brown Gravelly fine to coarse Sand, trace Silt, occasional Cobbles, dense to very dense-damp                        |                      | 2            |               |                        |                        |          |  |
| 10                         |        |            |                   |             |   |  | 2                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 52         |                   |             |   |  | 2                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
| 15                         |        |            |                   |             | Boring Terminated at 15'  |  |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |

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 PROJECT: Proposed C/I Bldg      DRILLING METHOD: Hollow Stem Auger      CAVE DEPTH: 3 feet  
 LOCATION: San Bernardino County, California      LOGGED BY: Eric Torres      READING TAKEN: At Completion

| FIELD RESULTS              |        |            |                   | GRAPHIC LOG | DESCRIPTION   | LABORATORY RESULTS |                      |              |               |                        |                        | COMMENTS |  |
|----------------------------|--------|------------|-------------------|-------------|---|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------|--|
| DEPTH (FEET)               | SAMPLE | BLOW COUNT | POCKET PEN. (TSF) |             |   | DRY DENSITY (PCF)  | MOISTURE CONTENT (%) | LIQUID LIMIT | PLASTIC LIMIT | PASSING #200 SIEVE (%) | UNCONFINED SHEAR (TSF) |          |  |
| SURFACE ELEVATION: --- MSL |        |            |                   |             |   |                    |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 44         |                   |             | ALLUVIUM: Dark Brown to Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine to coarse Gravel, occasional Cobbles, medium dense to dense-dry to damp | 111                | 1                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 56         |                   |             |   |                    | 118                  | 2            |               |                        |                        |          |  |
| 5                          |        | 24         |                   |             | Gray Brown Gravelly fine to coarse Sand, trace Silt, medium dense-damp  | 97                 | 2                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 27         |                   |             | Light Brown to Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine Gravel, medium dense-damp   | 111                | 3                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
| 10                         |        | 29         |                   |             |   | 113                | 4                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 28         |                   |             | Gray to Gray Brown Gravelly fine to coarse Sand, trace Silt, occasional Cobbles, medium dense-damp                                |                    | 2                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
| 15                         |        | 28         |                   |             |   |                    | 2                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
|                            |        | 20         |                   |             |   |                    | 2                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |
| Boring Terminated at 20'   |        |            |                   |             |   |                    |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |  |

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 PROJECT: Proposed C/I Bldg      DRILLING METHOD: Hollow Stem Auger      CAVE DEPTH: 18 feet  
 LOCATION: San Bernardino County, California      LOGGED BY: Eric Torres      READING TAKEN: At Completion

| FIELD RESULTS              |        |            |                   | GRAPHIC LOG | DESCRIPTION  | LABORATORY RESULTS |                      |              |               |                        |                        | COMMENTS |
|----------------------------|--------|------------|-------------------|-------------|--|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| DEPTH (FEET)               | SAMPLE | BLOW COUNT | POCKET PEN. (TSF) |             |  | DRY DENSITY (PCF)  | MOISTURE CONTENT (%) | LIQUID LIMIT | PLASTIC LIMIT | PASSING #200 SIEVE (%) | UNCONFINED SHEAR (TSF) |          |
| SURFACE ELEVATION: --- MSL |        |            |                   |             |  |                    |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |
|                            |        | 15         |                   |             | ALLUVIUM: Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine Gravel, medium dense-dry to damp             | 2                  |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |
| 5                          |        | 18         |                   |             | Gray to Gray Brown Gravelly fine to coarse Sand, trace to little Silt, medium dense-damp | 2                  |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |
|                            |        | 24         |                   |             |  |                    |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |
| 10                         |        | 28         |                   |             | Brown fine to coarse Sand, little to some fine to coarse Gravel, medium dense-damp       | 2                  |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |
| 15                         |        | 25         |                   |             |  |                    |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |
| 20                         |        | 22         |                   |             | Light Brown fine to medium Sand, trace fine Gravel, medium dense-damp                    | 6                  |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |
| 25                         |        | 23         |                   |             |  | 5                  |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |
| Boring Terminated at 25'   |        |            |                   |             |  |                    |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |

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 PROJECT: Proposed C/I Bldg      DRILLING METHOD: Hollow Stem Auger      CAVE DEPTH: n/a  
 LOCATION: San Bernardino County, California      LOGGED BY: Eric Torres      READING TAKEN: At Completion

| FIELD RESULTS              |        |            |                   | DESCRIPTION | LABORATORY RESULTS   |                   |                      |              |               |                        | COMMENTS |
|----------------------------|--------|------------|-------------------|-------------|--|-------------------|----------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------|----------|
| DEPTH (FEET)               | SAMPLE | BLOW COUNT | POCKET PEN. (TSF) |             | GRAPHIC LOG  | DRY DENSITY (PCF) | MOISTURE CONTENT (%) | LIQUID LIMIT | PLASTIC LIMIT | PASSING #200 SIEVE (%) |          |
| SURFACE ELEVATION: --- MSL |        |            |                   |             |  |                   |                      |              |               |                        |          |
|                            | X      | 8          |                   | [Symbol]    | <u>DISTURBED ALLUVIUM</u> : Brown Silty fine Sand, trace coarse Sand, trace fine Gravel, loose to medium dense-dry to damp |                   | 2                    |              |               |                        |          |
|                            | X      | 21         |                   | [Symbol]    | <u>ALLUVIUM</u> : Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine Gravel, loose-damp   |                   | 3                    |              |               |                        |          |
| 5                          |        |            |                   | [Symbol]    | Gray to Gray Brown Gravelly fine to coarse Sand, trace Silt, medium dense-damp   |                   | 2                    |              |               |                        |          |
| Boring Terminated at 5'    |        |            |                   |             |  |                   |                      |              |               |                        |          |

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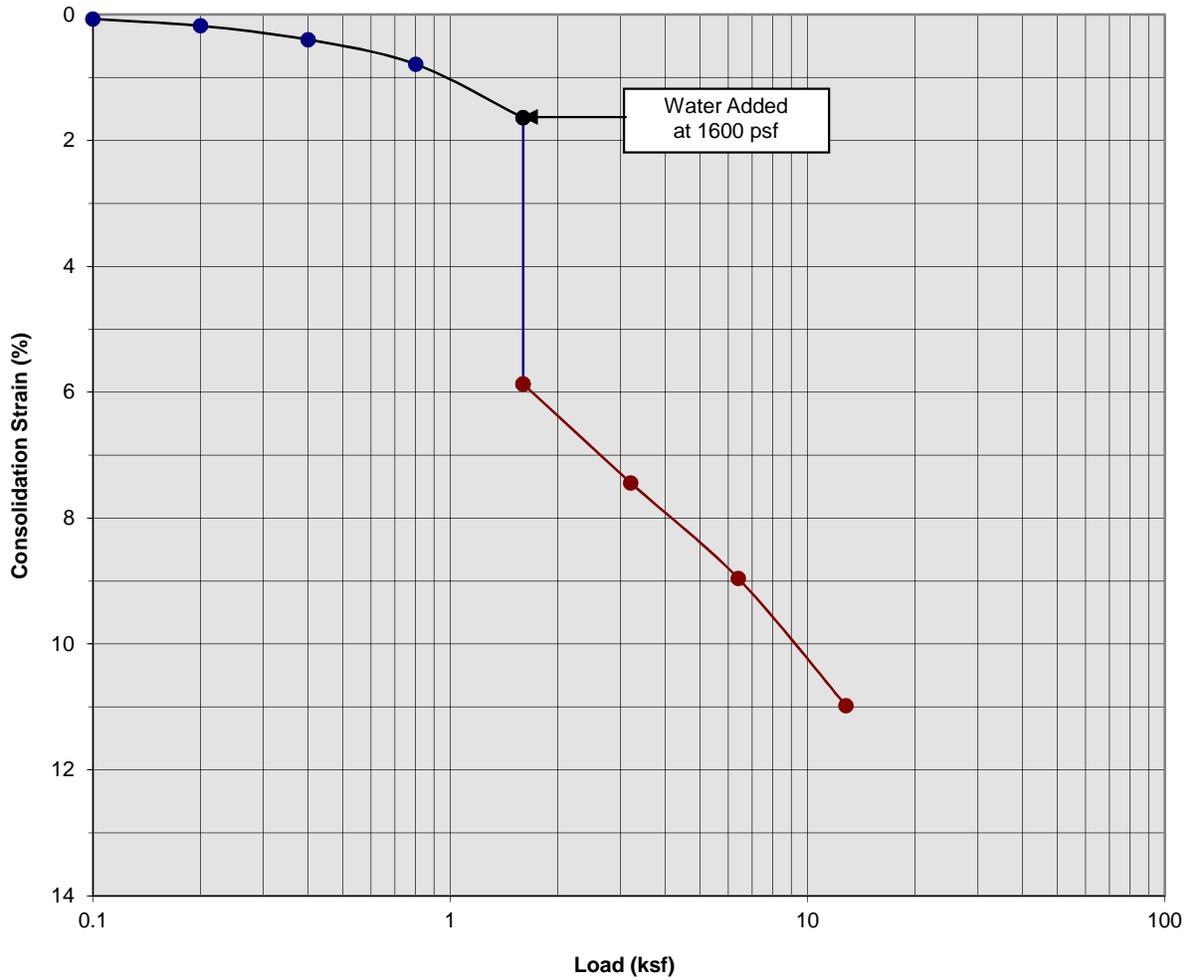
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| LOCATION: San Bernardino County, California | LOGGED BY: Eric Torres             | READING TAKEN: At Completion |

| FIELD RESULTS              |        |            |                   |             | DESCRIPTION  | LABORATORY RESULTS |                      |              |               |                        |                        | COMMENTS |
|----------------------------|--------|------------|-------------------|-------------|--|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| DEPTH (FEET)               | SAMPLE | BLOW COUNT | POCKET PEN. (TSF) | GRAPHIC LOG |  | DRY DENSITY (PCF)  | MOISTURE CONTENT (%) | LIQUID LIMIT | PLASTIC LIMIT | PASSING #200 SIEVE (%) | UNCONFINED SHEAR (TSF) |          |
| SURFACE ELEVATION: --- MSL |        |            |                   |             |  |                    |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |
|                            | X      | 18         |                   |             | ALLUVIUM: Brown Silty fine Sand, medium dense-damp |                    | 3                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |
|                            | X      | 18         |                   |             |  |                    | 4                    |              |               |                        |                        |          |
| 5                          |        |            |                   |             | Boring Terminated at 5'                            |                    |                      |              |               |                        |                        |          |

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### Consolidation/Collapse Test Results



Classification: Dark Brown to Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine to coarse Gravel

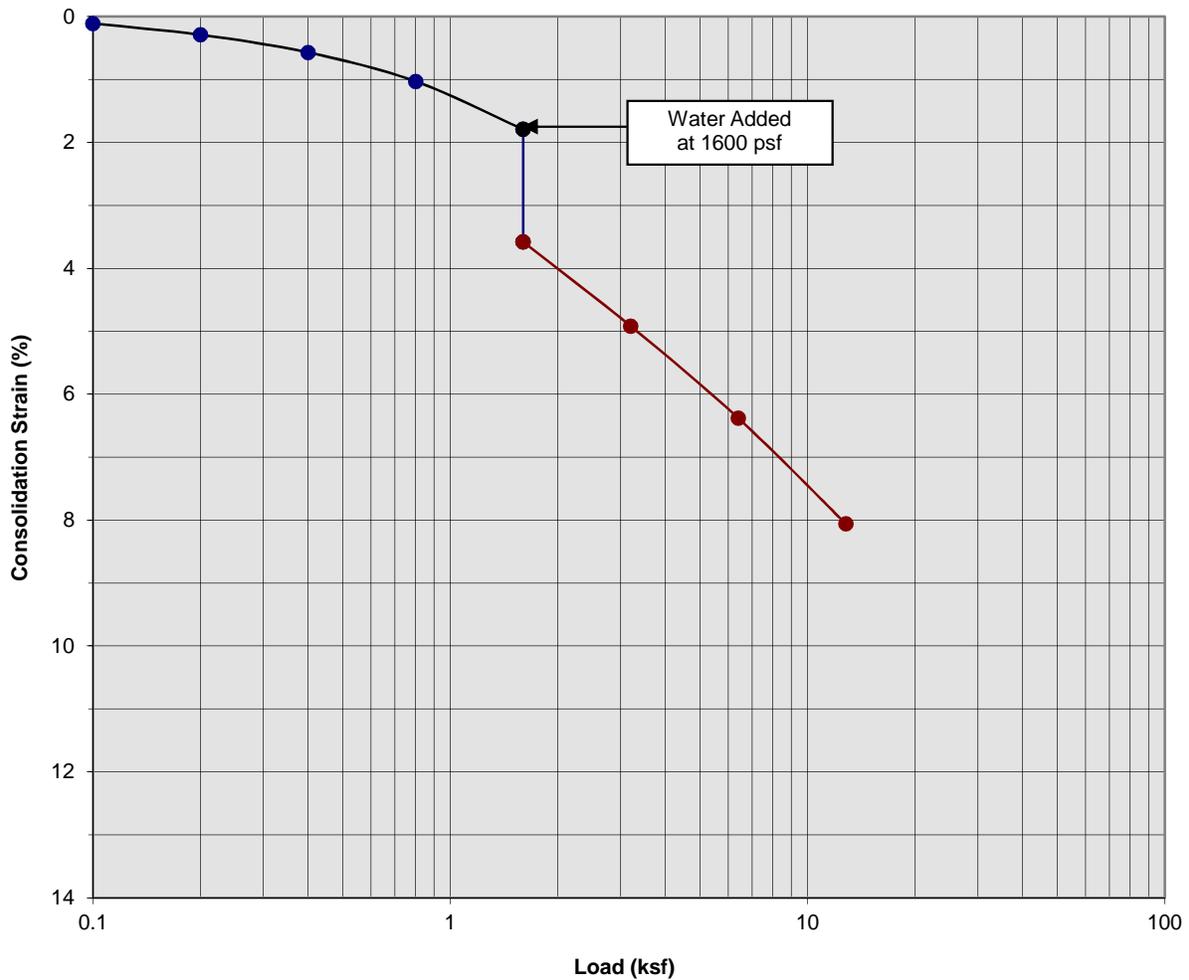
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| Boring Number:          | B-4    | Initial Moisture Content (%) | 1     |
| Sample Number:          | ---    | Final Moisture Content (%)   | 18    |
| Depth (ft)              | 1 to 2 | Initial Dry Density (pcf)    | 110.5 |
| Specimen Diameter (in)  | 2.4    | Final Dry Density (pcf)      | 123.8 |
| Specimen Thickness (in) | 1.0    | Percent Collapse (%)         | 4.23  |

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### Consolidation/Collapse Test Results



Classification: Dark Brown to Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine to coarse Gravel

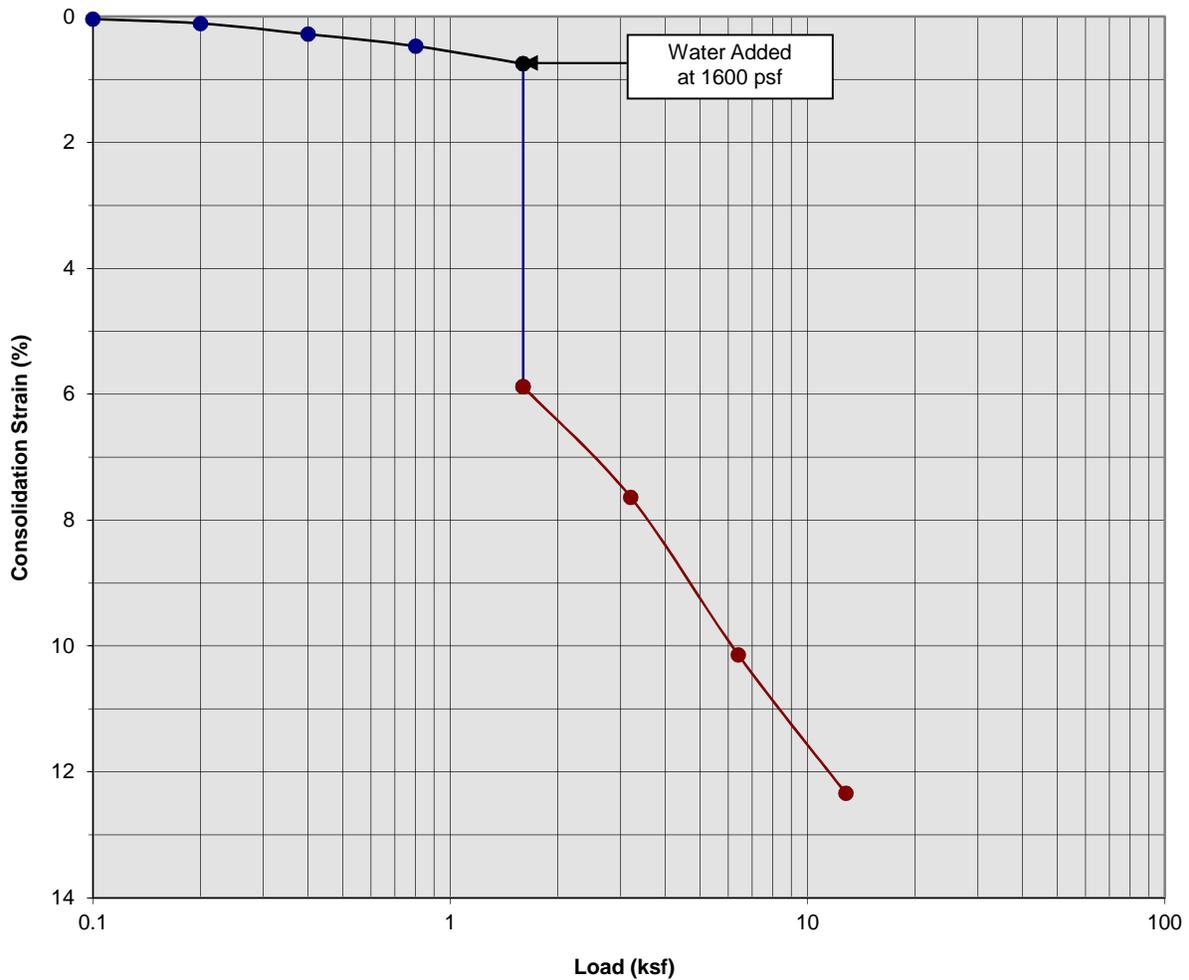
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| Boring Number:          | B-4    | Initial Moisture Content (%) | 2     |
| Sample Number:          | ---    | Final Moisture Content (%)   | 15    |
| Depth (ft)              | 3 to 4 | Initial Dry Density (pcf)    | 118.6 |
| Specimen Diameter (in)  | 2.4    | Final Dry Density (pcf)      | 123.1 |
| Specimen Thickness (in) | 1.0    | Percent Collapse (%)         | 1.79  |

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### Consolidation/Collapse Test Results



Classification: Light Brown to Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine Gravel

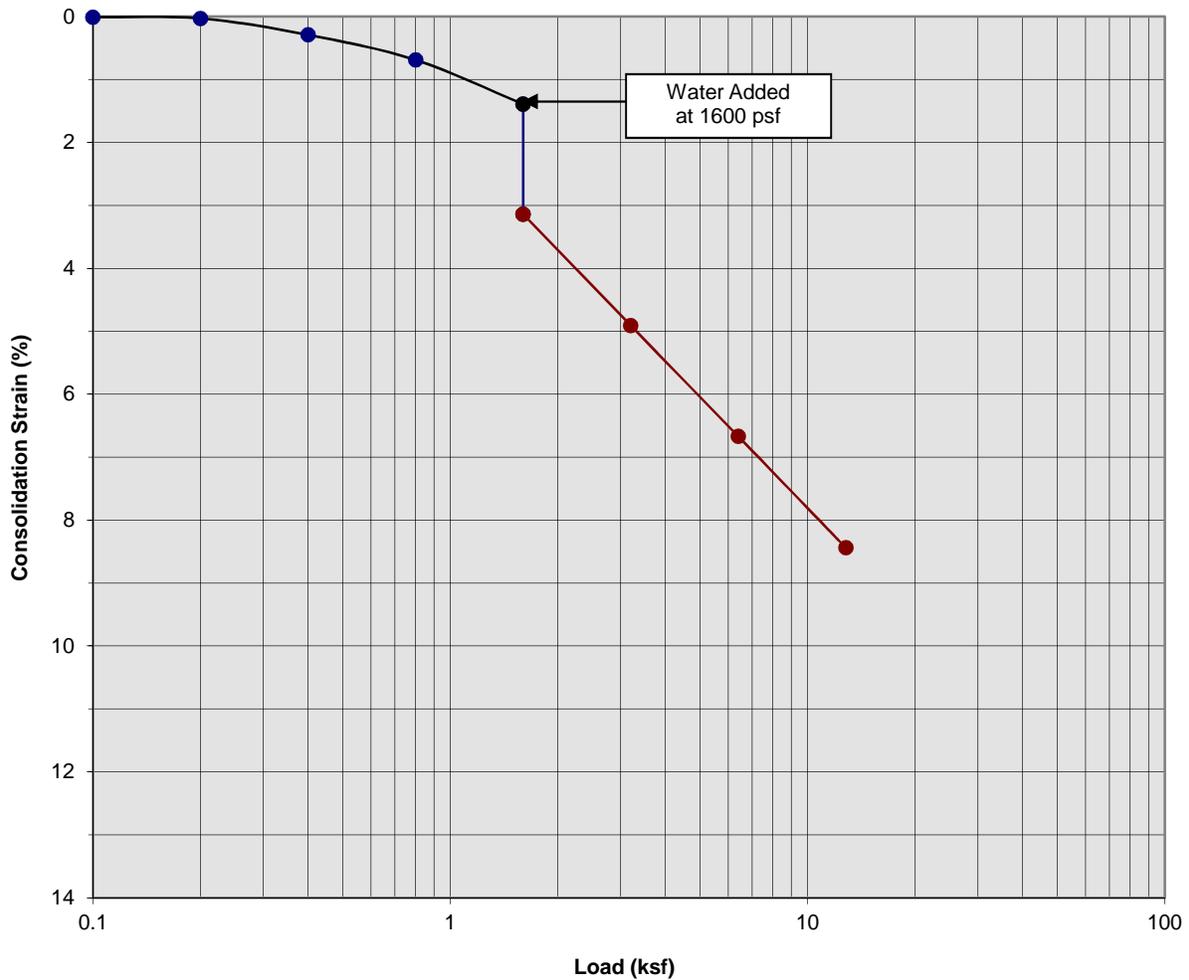
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|-------------------------|--------|------------------------------|-------|
| Boring Number:          | B-4    | Initial Moisture Content (%) | 3     |
| Sample Number:          | ---    | Final Moisture Content (%)   | 14    |
| Depth (ft)              | 5 to 6 | Initial Dry Density (pcf)    | 97.7  |
| Specimen Diameter (in)  | 2.4    | Final Dry Density (pcf)      | 111.3 |
| Specimen Thickness (in) | 1.0    | Percent Collapse (%)         | 5.13  |

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**PLATE C- 3**



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### Consolidation/Collapse Test Results



Classification: Light Brown to Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine Gravel

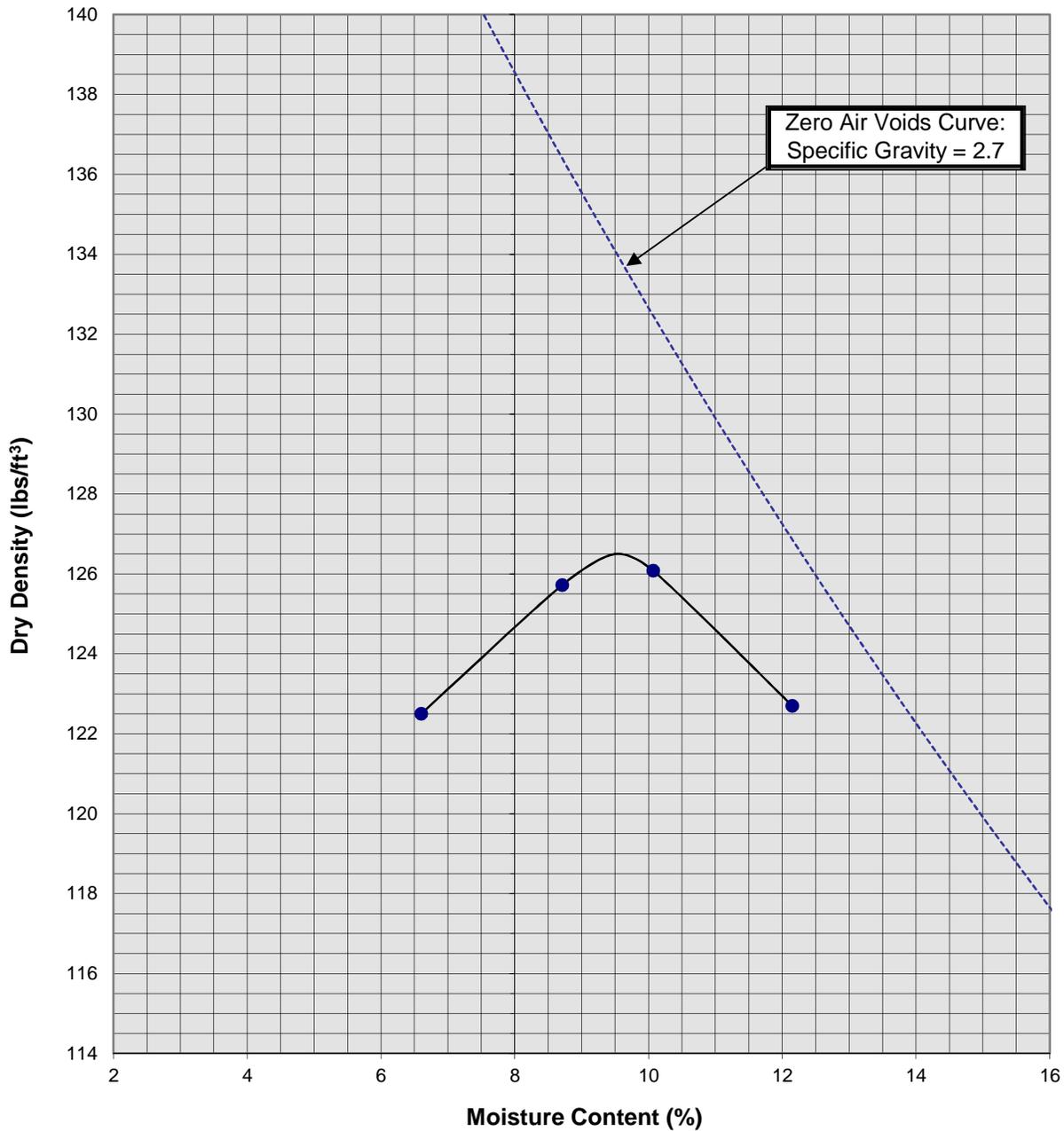
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| Boring Number:          | B-4    | Initial Moisture Content (%) | 3     |
| Sample Number:          | ---    | Final Moisture Content (%)   | 15    |
| Depth (ft)              | 7 to 8 | Initial Dry Density (pcf)    | 111.1 |
| Specimen Diameter (in)  | 2.4    | Final Dry Density (pcf)      | 121.2 |
| Specimen Thickness (in) | 1.0    | Percent Collapse (%)         | 1.75  |

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**PLATE C- 4**



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### Moisture/Density Relationship ASTM D-1557



|                           |  |               |
|---------------------------|--|---------------|
| Soil ID Number            |  | B-3 @ 0 to 5' |
| Optimum Moisture (%)      |  | 126.5         |
| Maximum Dry Density (pcf) |  | 9.5           |
| Soil Classification       | Brown Silty fine Sand, trace fine Gravel |               |

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**PLATE C-5**



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# APPENDIX

## **GRADING GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS**

These grading guide specifications are intended to provide typical procedures for grading operations. They are intended to supplement the recommendations contained in the geotechnical investigation report for this project. Should the recommendations in the geotechnical investigation report conflict with the grading guide specifications, the more site specific recommendations in the geotechnical investigation report will govern.

### General

- The Earthwork Contractor is responsible for the satisfactory completion of all earthwork in accordance with the plans and geotechnical reports, and in accordance with city, county, and applicable building codes.
- The Geotechnical Engineer is the representative of the Owner/Builder for the purpose of implementing the report recommendations and guidelines. These duties are not intended to relieve the Earthwork Contractor of any responsibility to perform in a workman-like manner, nor is the Geotechnical Engineer to direct the grading equipment or personnel employed by the Contractor.
- The Earthwork Contractor is required to notify the Geotechnical Engineer of the anticipated work and schedule so that testing and inspections can be provided. If necessary, work may be stopped and redone if personnel have not been scheduled in advance.
- The Earthwork Contractor is required to have suitable and sufficient equipment on the job-site to process, moisture condition, mix and compact the amount of fill being placed to the approved compaction. In addition, suitable support equipment should be available to conform with recommendations and guidelines in this report.
- Canyon cleanouts, overexcavation areas, processed ground to receive fill, key excavations, subdrains and benches should be observed by the Geotechnical Engineer prior to placement of any fill. It is the Earthwork Contractor's responsibility to notify the Geotechnical Engineer of areas that are ready for inspection.
- Excavation, filling, and subgrade preparation should be performed in a manner and sequence that will provide drainage at all times and proper control of erosion. Precipitation, springs, and seepage water encountered shall be pumped or drained to provide a suitable working surface. The Geotechnical Engineer must be informed of springs or water seepage encountered during grading or foundation construction for possible revision to the recommended construction procedures and/or installation of subdrains.

### Site Preparation

- The Earthwork Contractor is responsible for all clearing, grubbing, stripping and site preparation for the project in accordance with the recommendations of the Geotechnical Engineer.
- If any materials or areas are encountered by the Earthwork Contractor which are suspected of having toxic or environmentally sensitive contamination, the Geotechnical Engineer and Owner/Builder should be notified immediately.

- Major vegetation should be stripped and disposed of off-site. This includes trees, brush, heavy grasses and any materials considered unsuitable by the Geotechnical Engineer.
- Underground structures such as basements, cesspools or septic disposal systems, mining shafts, tunnels, wells and pipelines should be removed under the inspection of the Geotechnical Engineer and recommendations provided by the Geotechnical Engineer and/or city, county or state agencies. If such structures are known or found, the Geotechnical Engineer should be notified as soon as possible so that recommendations can be formulated.
- Any topsoil, slopewash, colluvium, alluvium and rock materials which are considered unsuitable by the Geotechnical Engineer should be removed prior to fill placement.
- Remaining voids created during site clearing caused by removal of trees, foundations basements, irrigation facilities, etc., should be excavated and filled with compacted fill.
- Subsequent to clearing and removals, areas to receive fill should be scarified to a depth of 10 to 12 inches, moisture conditioned and compacted
- The moisture condition of the processed ground should be at or slightly above the optimum moisture content as determined by the Geotechnical Engineer. Depending upon field conditions, this may require air drying or watering together with mixing and/or discing.

#### Compacted Fills

- Soil materials imported to or excavated on the property may be utilized in the fill, provided each material has been determined to be suitable in the opinion of the Geotechnical Engineer. Unless otherwise approved by the Geotechnical Engineer, all fill materials shall be free of deleterious, organic, or frozen matter, shall contain no chemicals that may result in the material being classified as "contaminated," and shall be very low to non-expansive with a maximum expansion index (EI) of 50. The top 12 inches of the compacted fill should have a maximum particle size of 3 inches, and all underlying compacted fill material a maximum 6-inch particle size, except as noted below.
- All soils should be evaluated and tested by the Geotechnical Engineer. Materials with high expansion potential, low strength, poor gradation or containing organic materials may require removal from the site or selective placement and/or mixing to the satisfaction of the Geotechnical Engineer.
- Rock fragments or rocks less than 6 inches in their largest dimensions, or as otherwise determined by the Geotechnical Engineer, may be used in compacted fill, provided the distribution and placement is satisfactory in the opinion of the Geotechnical Engineer.
- Rock fragments or rocks greater than 12 inches should be taken off-site or placed in accordance with recommendations and in areas designated as suitable by the Geotechnical Engineer. These materials should be placed in accordance with Plate D-8 of these Grading Guide Specifications and in accordance with the following recommendations:
  - Rocks 12 inches or more in diameter should be placed in rows at least 15 feet apart, 15 feet from the edge of the fill, and 10 feet or more below subgrade. Spaces should be left between each rock fragment to provide for placement and compaction of soil around the fragments.
  - Fill materials consisting of soil meeting the minimum moisture content requirements and free of oversize material should be placed between and over the rows of rock or

concrete. Ample water and compactive effort should be applied to the fill materials as they are placed in order that all of the voids between each of the fragments are filled and compacted to the specified density.

- Subsequent rows of rocks should be placed such that they are not directly above a row placed in the previous lift of fill. A minimum 5-foot offset between rows is recommended.
- To facilitate future trenching, oversized material should not be placed within the range of foundation excavations, future utilities or other underground construction unless specifically approved by the soil engineer and the developer/owner representative.
- Fill materials approved by the Geotechnical Engineer should be placed in areas previously prepared to receive fill and in evenly placed, near horizontal layers at about 6 to 8 inches in loose thickness, or as otherwise determined by the Geotechnical Engineer for the project.
- Each layer should be moisture conditioned to optimum moisture content, or slightly above, as directed by the Geotechnical Engineer. After proper mixing and/or drying, to evenly distribute the moisture, the layers should be compacted to at least 90 percent of the maximum dry density in compliance with ASTM D-1557-78 unless otherwise indicated.
- Density and moisture content testing should be performed by the Geotechnical Engineer at random intervals and locations as determined by the Geotechnical Engineer. These tests are intended as an aid to the Earthwork Contractor, so he can evaluate his workmanship, equipment effectiveness and site conditions. The Earthwork Contractor is responsible for compaction as required by the Geotechnical Report(s) and governmental agencies.
- Fill areas unused for a period of time may require moisture conditioning, processing and recompaction prior to the start of additional filling. The Earthwork Contractor should notify the Geotechnical Engineer of his intent so that an evaluation can be made.
- Fill placed on ground sloping at a 5-to-1 inclination (horizontal-to-vertical) or steeper should be benched into bedrock or other suitable materials, as directed by the Geotechnical Engineer. Typical details of benching are illustrated on Plates D-2, D-4, and D-5.
- Cut/fill transition lots should have the cut portion overexcavated to a depth of at least 3 feet and rebuilt with fill (see Plate D-1), as determined by the Geotechnical Engineer.
- All cut lots should be inspected by the Geotechnical Engineer for fracturing and other bedrock conditions. If necessary, the pads should be overexcavated to a depth of 3 feet and rebuilt with a uniform, more cohesive soil type to impede moisture penetration.
- Cut portions of pad areas above buttresses or stabilizations should be overexcavated to a depth of 3 feet and rebuilt with uniform, more cohesive compacted fill to impede moisture penetration.
- Non-structural fill adjacent to structural fill should typically be placed in unison to provide lateral support. Backfill along walls must be placed and compacted with care to ensure that excessive unbalanced lateral pressures do not develop. The type of fill material placed adjacent to below grade walls must be properly tested and approved by the Geotechnical Engineer with consideration of the lateral earth pressure used in the design.

### Foundations

- The foundation influence zone is defined as extending one foot horizontally from the outside edge of a footing, and proceeding downward at a ½ horizontal to 1 vertical (0.5:1) inclination.
- Where overexcavation beneath a footing subgrade is necessary, it should be conducted so as to encompass the entire foundation influence zone, as described above.
- Compacted fill adjacent to exterior footings should extend at least 12 inches above foundation bearing grade. Compacted fill within the interior of structures should extend to the floor subgrade elevation.

### Fill Slopes

- The placement and compaction of fill described above applies to all fill slopes. Slope compaction should be accomplished by overfilling the slope, adequately compacting the fill in even layers, including the overfilled zone and cutting the slope back to expose the compacted core
- Slope compaction may also be achieved by backrolling the slope adequately every 2 to 4 vertical feet during the filling process as well as requiring the earth moving and compaction equipment to work close to the top of the slope. Upon completion of slope construction, the slope face should be compacted with a sheepsfoot connected to a sideboom and then grid rolled. This method of slope compaction should only be used if approved by the Geotechnical Engineer.
- Sandy soils lacking in adequate cohesion may be unstable for a finished slope condition and therefore should not be placed within 15 horizontal feet of the slope face.
- All fill slopes should be keyed into bedrock or other suitable material. Fill keys should be at least 15 feet wide and inclined at 2 percent into the slope. For slopes higher than 30 feet, the fill key width should be equal to one-half the height of the slope (see Plate D-5).
- All fill keys should be cleared of loose slough material prior to geotechnical inspection and should be approved by the Geotechnical Engineer and governmental agencies prior to filling.
- The cut portion of fill over cut slopes should be made first and inspected by the Geotechnical Engineer for possible stabilization requirements. The fill portion should be adequately keyed through all surficial soils and into bedrock or suitable material. Soils should be removed from the transition zone between the cut and fill portions (see Plate D-2).

### Cut Slopes

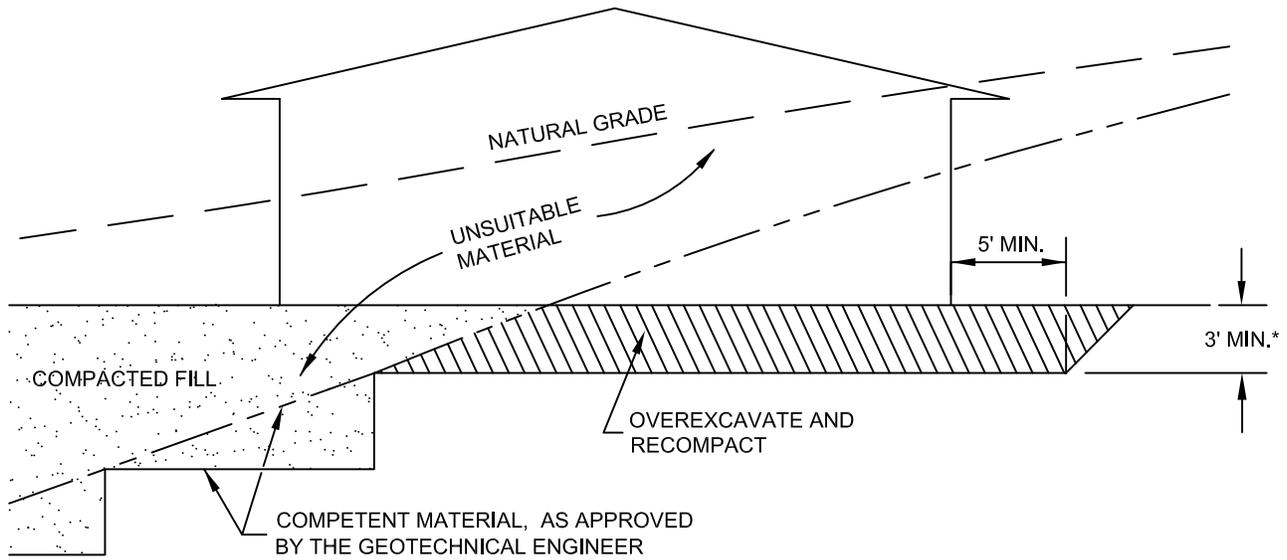
- All cut slopes should be inspected by the Geotechnical Engineer to determine the need for stabilization. The Earthwork Contractor should notify the Geotechnical Engineer when slope cutting is in progress at intervals of 10 vertical feet. Failure to notify may result in a delay in recommendations.
- Cut slopes exposing loose, cohesionless sands should be reported to the Geotechnical Engineer for possible stabilization recommendations.
- All stabilization excavations should be cleared of loose slough material prior to geotechnical inspection. Stakes should be provided by the Civil Engineer to verify the location and dimensions of the key. A typical stabilization fill detail is shown on Plate D-5.

- Stabilization key excavations should be provided with subdrains. Typical subdrain details are shown on Plates D-6.

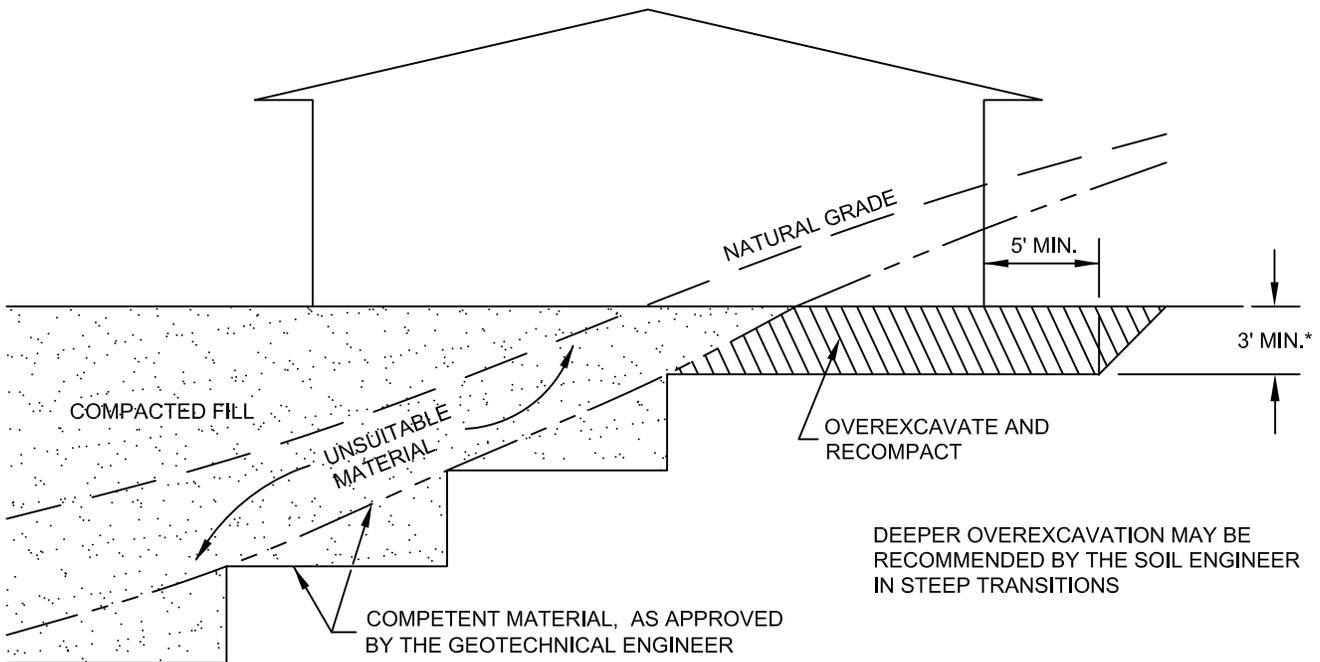
#### Subdrains

- Subdrains may be required in canyons and swales where fill placement is proposed. Typical subdrain details for canyons are shown on Plate D-3. Subdrains should be installed after approval of removals and before filling, as determined by the Soils Engineer.
- Plastic pipe may be used for subdrains provided it is Schedule 40 or SDR 35 or equivalent. Pipe should be protected against breakage, typically by placement in a square-cut (backhoe) trench or as recommended by the manufacturer.
- Filter material for subdrains should conform to CALTRANS Specification 68-1.025 or as approved by the Geotechnical Engineer for the specific site conditions. Clean  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch crushed rock may be used provided it is wrapped in an acceptable filter cloth and approved by the Geotechnical Engineer. Pipe diameters should be 6 inches for runs up to 500 feet and 8 inches for the downstream continuations of longer runs. Four-inch diameter pipe may be used in buttress and stabilization fills.

CUT LOT

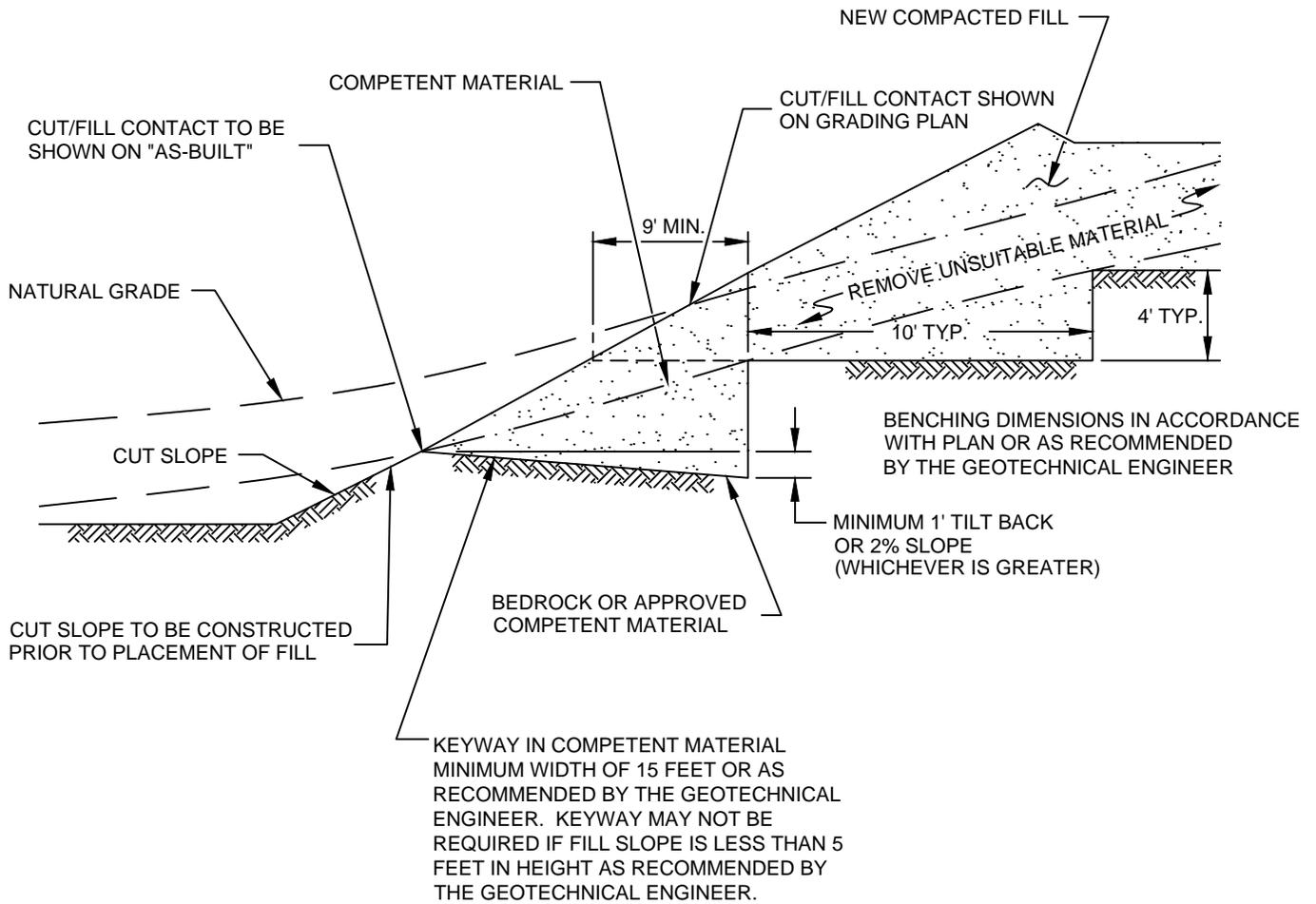


CUT/FILL LOT (TRANSITION)

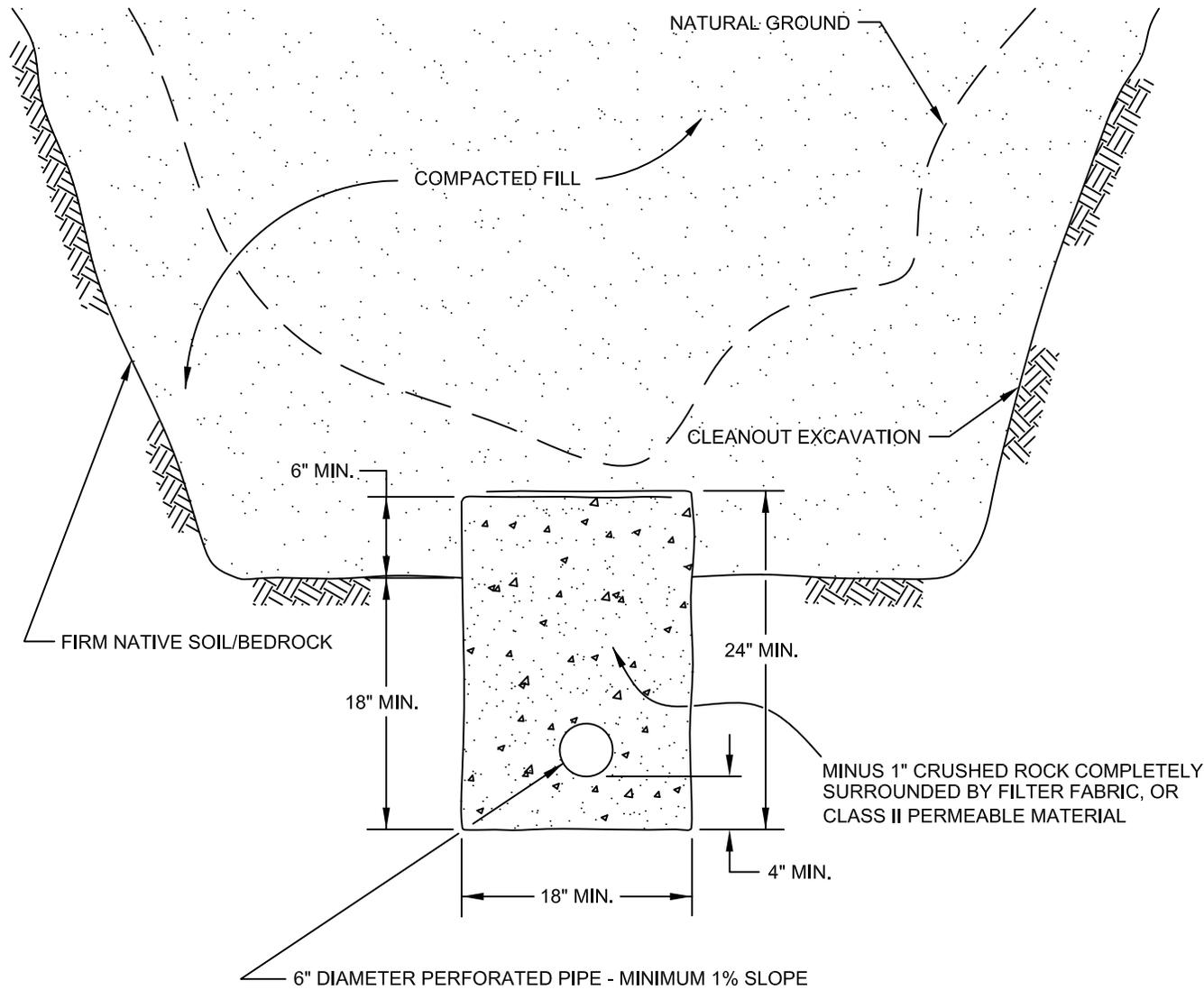


\*SEE TEXT OF REPORT FOR SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATION.  
ACTUAL DEPTH OF OVEREXCAVATION MAY BE GREATER.

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| <b>TRANSITION LOT DETAIL</b> |   |
| GRADING GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS |   |
| NOT TO SCALE                 |  <b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEOTECHNICAL</b> |
| DRAWN: JAS<br>CHKD: GKM      |   |
| <b>PLATE D-1</b>             |   |



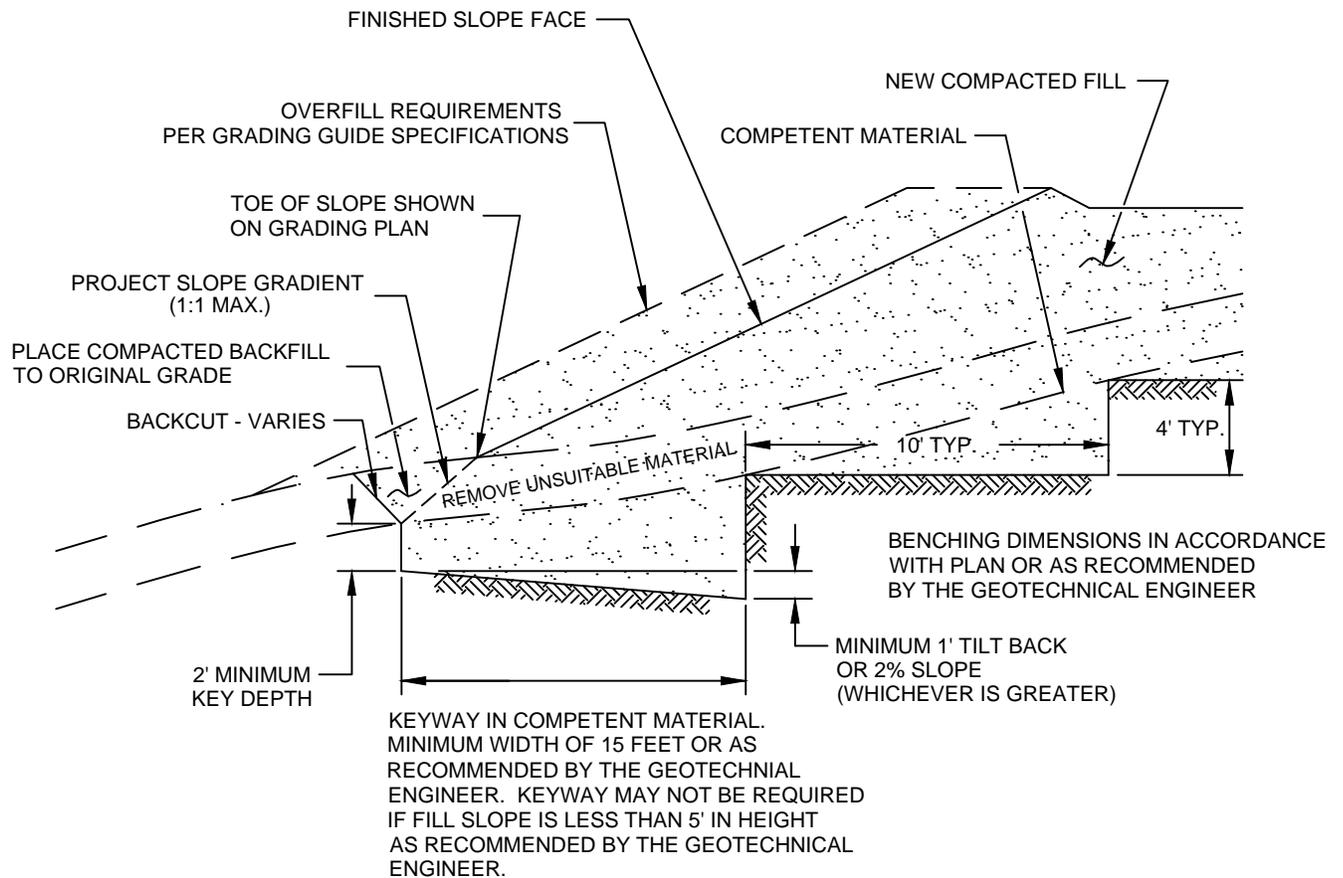
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| <b>FILL ABOVE CUT SLOPE DETAIL</b>  |   |
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| DRAWN: JAS<br>CHKD: GKM             |   |
| <b>PLATE D-2</b>                    |   |



| PIPE MATERIAL                | DEPTH OF FILL OVER SUBDRAIN |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| ADS (CORRUGATED POLETHYLENE) | 8                           |
| TRANSITE UNDERDRAIN          | 20                          |
| PVC OR ABS: SDR 35           | 35                          |
| SDR 21                       | 100                         |

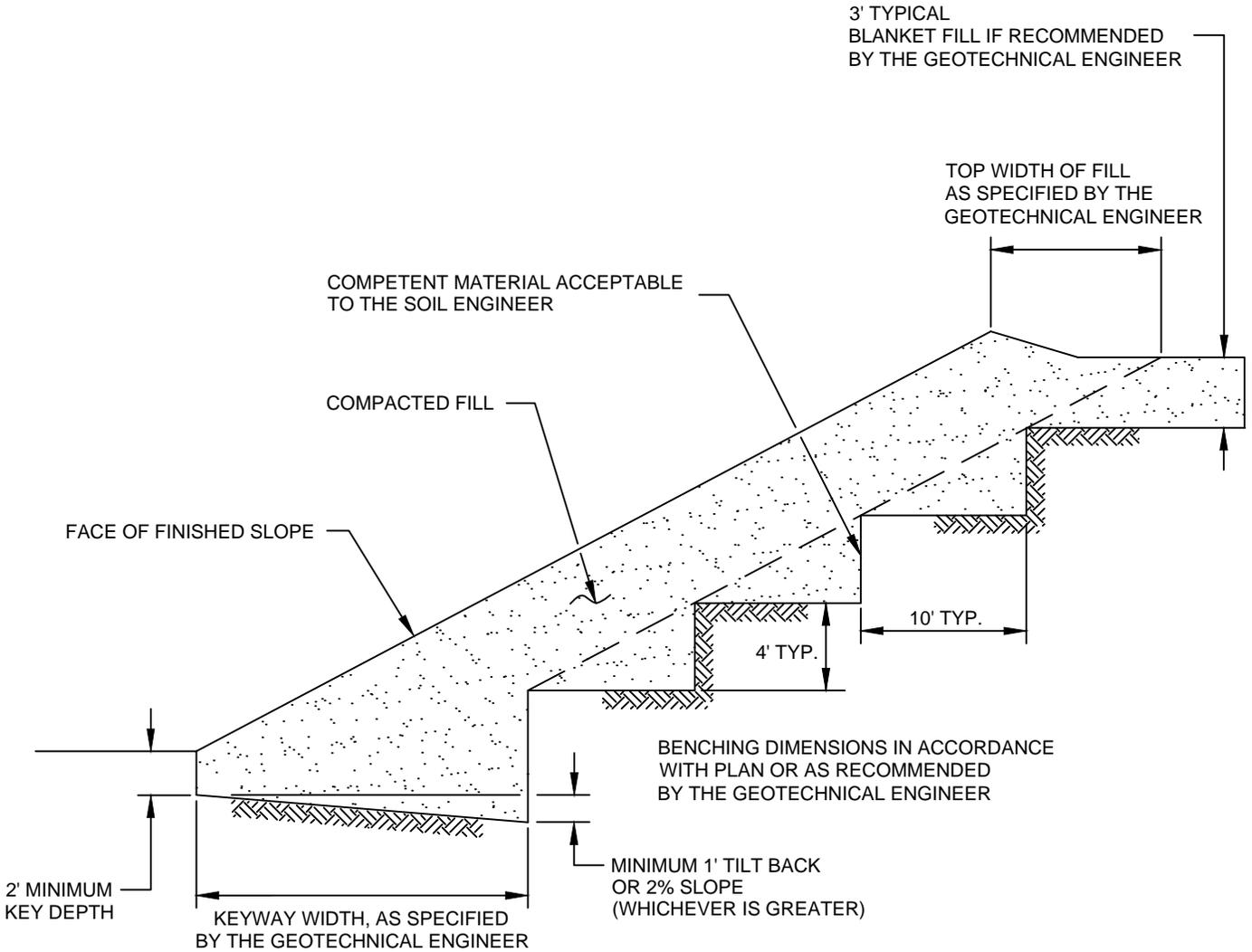
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| <b>CANYON SUBDRAIN DETAIL</b>       |   |
| <b>GRADING GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS</b> |   |
| NOT TO SCALE                        |  <b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEOTECHNICAL</b> |
| DRAWN: JAS<br>CHKD: GKM             |   |
| <b>PLATE D-3</b>                    |   |

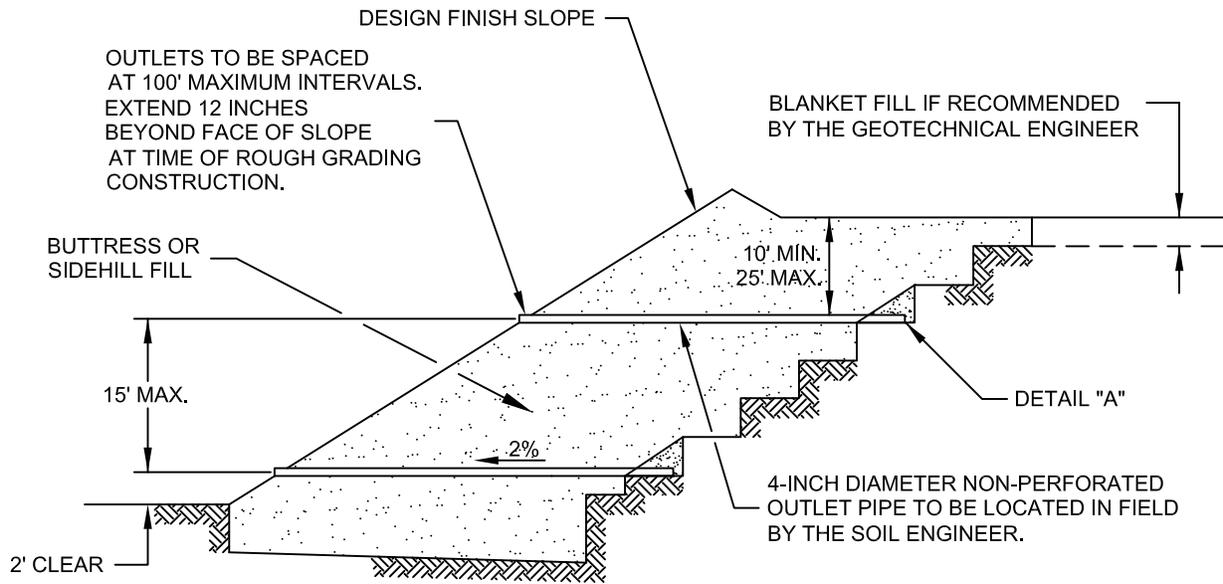


NOTE:  
 BENCHING SHALL BE REQUIRED  
 WHEN NATURAL SLOPES ARE  
 EQUAL TO OR STEEPER THAN 5:1  
 OR WHEN RECOMMENDED BY  
 THE GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER.

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| <b>FILL ABOVE NATURAL SLOPE DETAIL</b> |   |
| <b>GRADING GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS</b>    |   |
| NOT TO SCALE                           |  <b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEOTECHNICAL</b> |
| DRAWN: JAS<br>CHKD: GKM                |   |
| <b>PLATE D-4</b>                       |   |



|                                  |   |
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| <b>STABILIZATION FILL DETAIL</b> |   |
| GRADING GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS     |   |
| NOT TO SCALE                     |  <b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEOTECHNICAL</b> |
| DRAWN: JAS<br>CHKD: GKM          |   |
| <b>PLATE D-5</b>                 |   |



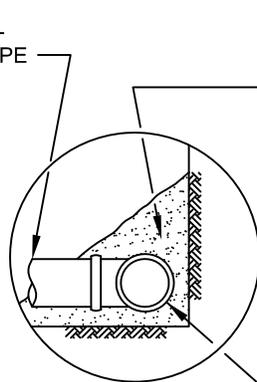
"FILTER MATERIAL" TO MEET FOLLOWING SPECIFICATION OR APPROVED EQUIVALENT: (CONFORMS TO EMA STD. PLAN 323)

| SIEVE SIZE | PERCENTAGE PASSING |
|------------|--------------------|
| 1"         | 100                |
| 3/4"       | 90-100             |
| 3/8"       | 40-100             |
| NO. 4      | 25-40              |
| NO. 8      | 18-33              |
| NO. 30     | 5-15               |
| NO. 50     | 0-7                |
| NO. 200    | 0-3                |

"GRAVEL" TO MEET FOLLOWING SPECIFICATION OR APPROVED EQUIVALENT:

| SIEVE SIZE                      | MAXIMUM PERCENTAGE PASSING |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 1/2"                          | 100                        |
| NO. 4                           | 50                         |
| NO. 200                         | 8                          |
| SAND EQUIVALENT = MINIMUM OF 50 |                            |

OUTLET PIPE TO BE CONNECTED TO SUBDRAIN PIPE WITH TEE OR ELBOW



DETAIL "A"

FILTER MATERIAL - MINIMUM OF FIVE CUBIC FEET PER FOOT OF PIPE. SEE ABOVE FOR FILTER MATERIAL SPECIFICATION.

ALTERNATIVE: IN LIEU OF FILTER MATERIAL FIVE CUBIC FEET OF GRAVEL PER FOOT OF PIPE MAY BE ENCASED IN FILTER FABRIC. SEE ABOVE FOR GRAVEL SPECIFICATION.

FILTER FABRIC SHALL BE MIRAFI 140 OR EQUIVALENT. FILTER FABRIC SHALL BE LAPPED A MINIMUM OF 12 INCHES ON ALL JOINTS.

MINIMUM 4-INCH DIAMETER PVC SCH 40 OR ABS CLASS SDR 35 WITH A CRUSHING STRENGTH OF AT LEAST 1,000 POUNDS, WITH A MINIMUM OF 8 UNIFORMLY SPACED PERFORATIONS PER FOOT OF PIPE INSTALLED WITH PERFORATIONS ON BOTTOM OF PIPE. PROVIDE CAP AT UPSTREAM END OF PIPE. SLOPE AT 2 PERCENT TO OUTLET PIPE.

NOTES:

1. TRENCH FOR OUTLET PIPES TO BE BACKFILLED WITH ON-SITE SOIL.

| <b>SLOPE FILL SUBDRAINS</b>         |  |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| <b>GRADING GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS</b> |  |
| NOT TO SCALE                        | <br><b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEOTECHNICAL</b> |
| DRAWN: JAS<br>CHKD: GKM             |  |
| <b>PLATE D-6</b>                    |  |

MINIMUM ONE FOOT THICK LAYER OF LOW PERMEABILITY SOIL IF NOT COVERED WITH AN IMPERMEABLE SURFACE

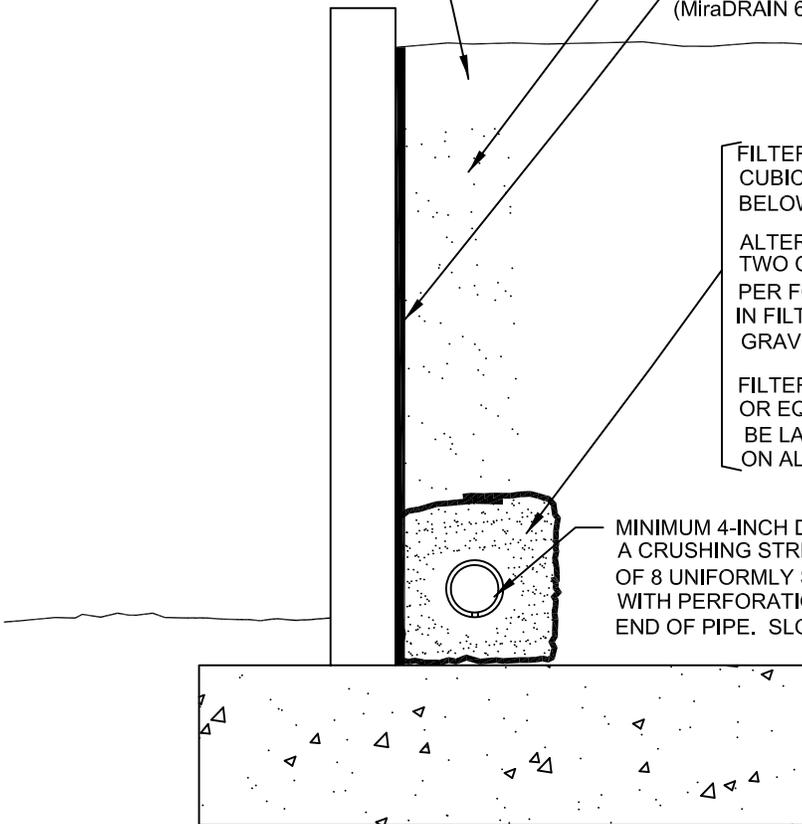
MINIMUM ONE FOOT WIDE LAYER OF FREE DRAINING MATERIAL (LESS THAN 5% PASSING THE #200 SIEVE) OR PROPERLY INSTALLED PREFABRICATED DRAINAGE COMPOSITE (MiraDRAIN 6000 OR APPROVED EQUIVALENT).

FILTER MATERIAL - MINIMUM OF TWO CUBIC FEET PER FOOT OF PIPE. SEE BELOW FOR FILTER MATERIAL SPECIFICATION.

ALTERNATIVE: IN LIEU OF FILTER MATERIAL TWO CUBIC FEET OF GRAVEL PER FOOT OF PIPE MAY BE ENCASED IN FILTER FABRIC. SEE BELOW FOR GRAVEL SPECIFICATION.

FILTER FABRIC SHALL BE MIRAFAI 140 OR EQUIVALENT. FILTER FABRIC SHALL BE LAPPED A MINIMUM OF 6 INCHES ON ALL JOINTS.

MINIMUM 4-INCH DIAMETER PVC SCH 40 OR ABS CLASS SDR 35 WITH A CRUSHING STRENGTH OF AT LEAST 1,000 POUNDS, WITH A MINIMUM OF 8 UNIFORMLY SPACED PERFORATIONS PER FOOT OF PIPE INSTALLED WITH PERFORATIONS ON BOTTOM OF PIPE. PROVIDE CAP AT UPSTREAM END OF PIPE. SLOPE AT 2 PERCENT TO OUTLET PIPE.



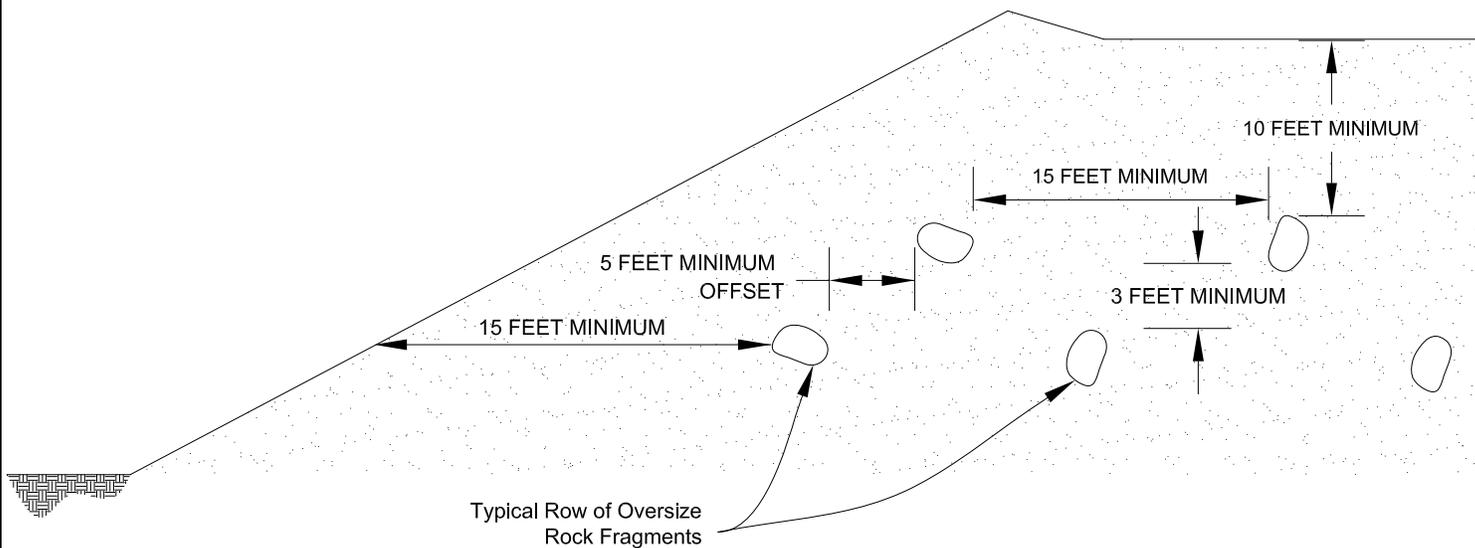
"FILTER MATERIAL" TO MEET FOLLOWING SPECIFICATION OR APPROVED EQUIVALENT: (CONFORMS TO EMA STD. PLAN 323)

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| 3/4"       | 90-100             |
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| NO. 4      | 25-40              |
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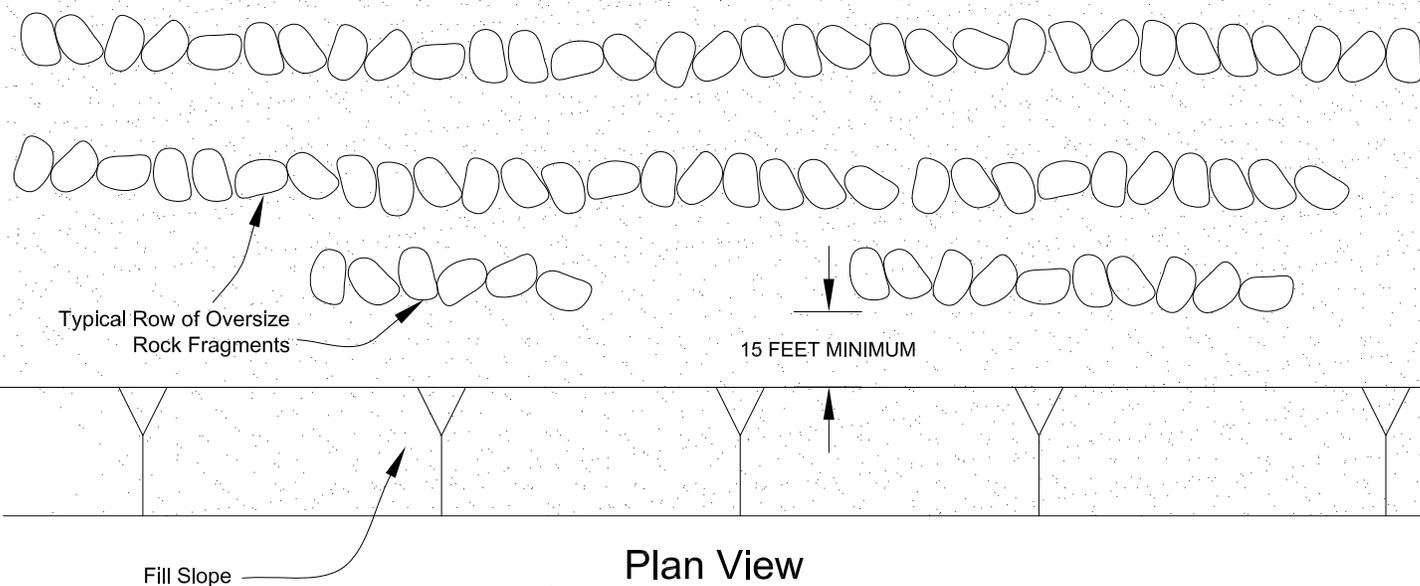
"GRAVEL" TO MEET FOLLOWING SPECIFICATION OR APPROVED EQUIVALENT:

| SIEVE SIZE                      | MAXIMUM PERCENTAGE PASSING |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 1/2"                          | 100                        |
| NO. 4                           | 50                         |
| NO. 200                         | 8                          |
| SAND EQUIVALENT = MINIMUM OF 50 |                            |

| RETAINING WALL BACKDRAINS    |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| GRADING GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS |   |
| NOT TO SCALE                 |  <b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEOTECHNICAL</b> |
| DRAWN: JAS<br>CHKD: GKM      |   |
| PLATE D-7                    |   |



**Section View**



**Plan View**

**PLACEMENT OF OVERSIZED MATERIAL  
GRADING GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS**

NOT TO SCALE

DRAWN: PM  
CHKD: GKM

PLATE D-8



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# APPENDIX E

# USGS Design Maps Summary Report

## User-Specified Input

**Report Title** Proposed Commercial/Industrial Building  
Tue October 21, 2014 23:38:07 UTC

**Building Code Reference Document** ASCE 7-10 Standard  
(which utilizes USGS hazard data available in 2008)

**Site Coordinates** 34.06502°N, 117.39497°W

**Site Soil Classification** Site Class D - "Stiff Soil"

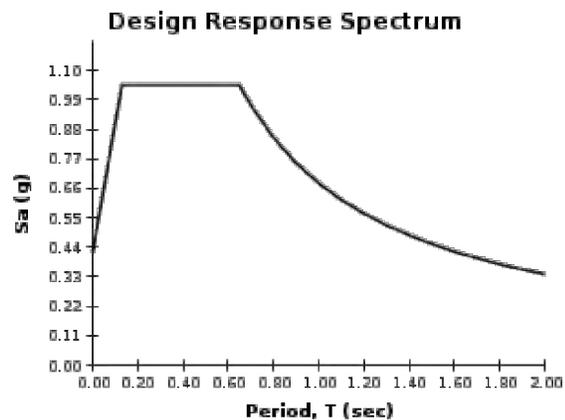
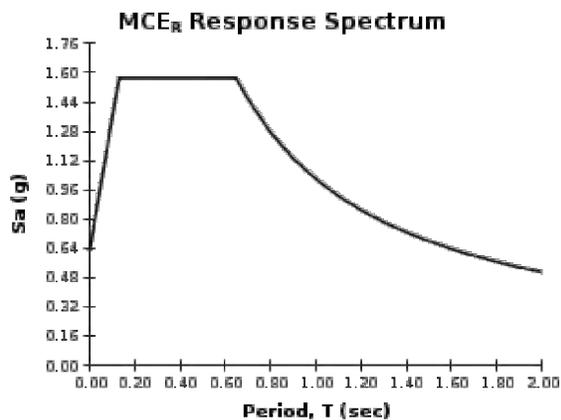
**Risk Category** I/II/III



## USGS-Provided Output

$S_s = 1.570 \text{ g}$        $S_{MS} = 1.570 \text{ g}$        $S_{DS} = 1.046 \text{ g}$   
 $S_1 = 0.680 \text{ g}$        $S_{M1} = 1.020 \text{ g}$        $S_{D1} = 0.680 \text{ g}$

For information on how the  $S_s$  and  $S_1$  values above have been calculated from probabilistic (risk-targeted) and deterministic ground motions in the direction of maximum horizontal response, please return to the application and select the "2009 NEHRP" building code reference document.



SOURCE: U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS)  
<<http://geohazards.usgs.gov/designmaps/us/application.php>>



| SEISMIC DESIGN PARAMETERS               |   |
|---|---|
| PROPOSED COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL BUILDING |   |
| SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA       |   |
| DRAWN: KVC                              |  <b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEOTECHNICAL</b> |
| CHKD: JAS                               |   |
| SCG PROJECT 14G189-1                    |   |
| PLATE E-1                               |   |