GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION TWO PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS

SEC 190th Street and Van Ness Avenue Torrance, California for DWS



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Subject: **Geotechnical Investigation** Two Proposed Industrial Buildings SEC 190th Street and Van Ness Avenue Torrance, California

Mr. Zaharov:

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.

Respectfully Submitted,

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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.

Geotechnical Design Considerations

- All of the borings encountered artificial fill materials, extending from the ground surface to depths of 3 to 6½± feet. The fill soils possess varying densities and strengths. In addition, no documentation regarding the placement and compaction of these soils has been provided. The fill soils are therefore considered to be undocumented fill materials. The fill soils are underlain by native alluvium which possesses variable strengths and composition.
- The artificial fill materials and the near-surface alluvium, in their present condition, are not considered suitable for support of the foundations and floor slabs of the new structures.
- Laboratory testing performed on representative samples of the near-surface soils indicates that the on-site soils possess low to very high expansion potentials (EI = 39 and 136). However, we expect that blending these expansive soils during grading will result in soils possessing an EI less than 90.

Site Preparation Recommendations

- Demolition of the existing structures and pavements will be required in order to facilitate construction of the new buildings. Demolition should also include all utilities and any other subsurface improvements that will not remain in place for use with the new development. The resultant excavations should be backfilled with compacted structural fill. Debris resultant from demolition should be disposed of off-site. Alternatively, concrete and asphalt debris may be processed into miscellaneous base (CMB). It may also be feasible to crush the concrete and asphalt debris to a 2 to 4-inch particle size and utilize for subgrade stabilization material.
- Initial site preparation should also include stripping of vegetation from the existing landscape planters. Any significant root masses should also be removed from the site.
- Remedial grading should be performed within the proposed building areas in order to remove all of the undocumented fill soils, any soils disturbed during demolition, and a portion of the near-surface native alluvium. The soils within the proposed building areas should also be overexcavated to a depth of 4 feet below existing grade and to a depth of at least 3 feet below proposed building pad subgrade elevations, whichever is greater. Within the influence zones of the new foundations, the overexcavation should extend to a depth of at least 3 feet below proposed foundation bearing grade.
- The overexcavation areas should extend at least 5 feet beyond the building and foundation perimeters, and to an extent equal to the depth of fill placed below the foundation bearing grade, whichever is greater.
- 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, moisture conditioned, and 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.
 However, it is recommended that the upper 24 inches of the building pad subgrade soils consist of very low to non-expansive soil. The 2-foot-thick layer of very low to



non-expansive soil should consist of either the on-site CMB resultant from demolition, cementtreated or lime-treated on-site soils, or non-expansive granular imported, structural fill.

• Based on our experience with other projects located in the city of Torrance, we expect that the city will require that all existing undocumented fill soils within parking and drive areas be removed and replaced as structural fill.

Foundation Design Recommendations

- Conventional shallow foundations, supported in newly placed compacted fill.
- 2,500 lbs/ft² maximum allowable soil bearing pressure.
- Reinforcement consisting of at least six (6) No. 5 rebars (3 top and 3 bottom) in strip footings due to the presence of expansive soils. Additional reinforcement may be necessary for structural considerations.

Building Floor Slabs

- Conventional Slabs-on-Grade, at least 6 inches thick.
- Modulus of Subgrade Reaction: k = 150 psi/in.
- Reinforcement consisting of at least No. 4 bars at 16 inches on center, in both directions, due to the presence of expansive soils. Additional reinforcement may be necessary for structural considerations.
- The actual thickness and reinforcement of the floor slabs should be determined by the structural engineer.

ASPHALT PAVEMENTS (R = 10)					
Thickness (inches)					
Auto Parking and Truck Traffic Materials Auto Drive Lanes					
	(TI = 4.0 to 5.0)	TI = 6.0	TI = 7.0	TI = 8.0	TI = 9.0
Asphalt Concrete	3	31⁄2	4	5	51⁄2
Aggregate Base	9	12	15	16	19
Compacted Subgrade	12	12	12	12	12

Pavement Design Recommendations

PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENTS (R = 10)					
		Thickness (inches)			
Materials	Autos and Light Truck Traffic				
	(TI = 6.0)	TI = 7.0	TI = 8.0	TI = 9.0	
PCC	5	51⁄2	7	81⁄2	
Aggregate Base	Not Required	6	6	6	
Compacted Subgrade (95% minimum compaction)	12	12	12	12	



2.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES

The scope of services performed for this project was in accordance with our Proposal No. 23P390, dated October 20 2023. 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.



3.1 Site Conditions

The subject site is located at the southeast corner of 190th Street and Van Ness Avenue in Torrance, California. The site is bounded to the north by 190th Street, to the west by Van Ness Avenue, to the south by 195th Street, and to the east by existing commercial/industrial buildings. The general location of the site is illustrated on the Site Location Map, enclosed as Plate 1 in Appendix A of this report.

The site consists of three (3) rectangular- to irregular-shaped properties, totaling $14.01\pm$ acres in size. The site is developed with thirteen (13) one-to-two-story commercial/industrial buildings, ranging from $9,500\pm$ ft² to $45,000\pm$ ft² in size. The buildings are of concrete tilt-up construction, and are assumed to be supported on conventional shallow foundations with concrete slab-ongrade floors. The ground surface cover throughout the site consists of asphaltic concrete (AC) pavements, with limited areas of Portland cement concrete (PCC) pavements and landscaped planters, which include turf grass, shrubs and trees. The pavements are in poor to fair condition with moderate to severe cracking throughout.

Detailed topographic information was not available at the time of this report. Based on elevations obtained from Google Earth and visual observations made at the time of the subsurface investigation, the overall site topography slopes gently downward to the southwest at a gradient of less than 1 percent.

3.2 Proposed Development

A conceptual site plan prepared by RGA has been provided to our office by the client. Based on this plan, the subject site will be developed with two (2) new industrial buildings. The new buildings will be $118,037\pm$ and $156,098\pm$ ft² in size, and will be located in the northern and southern areas of the site, respectively. Dock-high doors will be constructed along a portion of the east side of each of the buildings. The proposed buildings are expected to be surrounded by AC pavements in the parking and drive areas, PCC pavements in the loading dock areas, and concrete flatwork and landscaped planters throughout the site.

Detailed structural information has not been provided. It is assumed that the new buildings will be single-story structures of tilt-up concrete construction, typically supported on conventional shallow foundations with concrete slab-on-grade floors. Based on the assumed construction, maximum column and wall loads are expected to be on the order of 100 kips and 4 to 7 kips per linear foot, respectively.

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 assumed topography, cuts and fills of up to 2 to $3\pm$ feet are expected to be necessary to achieve the proposed site grades.



4.0 SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION

4.1 Scope of Exploration/Sampling Methods

The subsurface exploration conducted for this project consisted of eight (8) borings (identified as Boring Nos. B-1 through B-8) advanced to depths of 15 to $30\pm$ feet below the existing site grades. All of the borings were logged during drilling by a member of our staff. All of the boring locations were cleared by a private geophysical testing company prior to drilling.

The borings were advanced with hollow-stem augers, by a conventional truck-mounted drilling rig. Representative bulk and relatively undisturbed soil samples were taken during drilling. Relatively undisturbed soil 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. Standard penetration test (SPT) 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.

Per the County of Los Angeles, the excavated soils were placed into 55-gallon drums, and transported to a staging area for disposal. In addition, the boreholes were backfilled with cement-bentonite grout upon completion of the borings.

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

Pavements

AC pavements were encountered at the ground surface at all of the boring locations. The pavement sections at these locations consist of 4 to $5\pm$ inches of AC, underlain by 5 to $10\pm$ inches of aggregate base. Aggregate base was not present beneath the AC section at Boring No. B-7. It should be noted that a Petromat geotextile material was clearly observed between the AC and base sections at two of the infiltration test locations (I-1 and I-2). The approximate infiltration test locations are documented in the infiltration study report, published by Southern California Geotechnical, Inc. under separate cover.



Artificial Fill

Artificial fill soils were encountered beneath the existing pavements at all of the boring locations, extending to depths of 3 to $61/2\pm$ feet below the existing site grades. The artificial fill soils generally consist of medium stiff to very stiff silty clays and sandy clays with varying fine gravel content. The fill soils possess a disturbed appearance and some samples contain artificial debris, such as AC fragments, resulting in their classification as artificial fill.

<u>Alluvium</u>

Native alluvial soils were encountered beneath the artificial fill soils at all of the boring locations, extending to at least the maximum depth explored of $30\pm$ feet below the existing site grades. The alluvial soils within the upper 12 to $27\pm$ feet generally consist of stiff to very stiff sandy clays and silty clays, with occasional medium stiff sandy clays and silty clays. At greater depths and extending to the maximum depth explored of $30\pm$ feet, the alluvium generally consists of medium dense to dense silty sands and sandy silts.

Groundwater

Free water was not encountered during the drilling of any of the borings. Based on the moisture content of the recovered soil samples and the lack of free water in the borings, the static groundwater table is at a greater depth than $30\pm$ feet below existing site grades.

As part of our research, we reviewed available groundwater data in order to determine the historic high groundwater level for the site. The primary reference used to determine the historic groundwater depths in this area is the California Geological Survey (CGS) Seismic Hazard Zone Report 035, <u>Seismic Hazard Zone Report for the Torrance 7.5-Minute Quadrangle</u>, which indicates that the historic high groundwater level for the site is between 20 and $30\pm$ feet below the ground surface.

In addition, recent water level data was obtained from the California State Water Resources Control Board, GeoTracker, website, <u>https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/</u>. Several monitoring wells are located as close as $500\pm$ feet from the site. Water level readings within these monitoring wells indicate a high groundwater level of $54\pm$ feet below the ground surface in April 2017.



5.0 LABORATORY TESTING

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

The recovered soil samples were classified using the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS), in accordance with ASTM D-2488. The 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.

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 were 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-8 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 content. The results have been obtained using the Modified Proctor procedure, per ASTM D-1557. These tests are 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. The result of this testing is plotted on Plate C-9 in Appendix C of this report.

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 ± 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 expansion index (EI) testing are as follows:

Sample Identification	Expansion Index	Expansive Potential
B-2 @ 1 to 5 feet	39	Low
B-5 @ 1 to 5 feet	136	Very High

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 results of the soluble sulfate testing are presented below, and are discussed further in a subsequent section of this report.

Sample Identification	Soluble Sulfates (%)	Severity	<u>Class</u>
B-3 @ 1 to 5 feet	0.002	Not Applicable	S0
B-5 @ 1 to 5 feet	0.009	Not Applicable	S0

Corrosivity Testing

Representative samples of the near-surface soils were submitted to a subcontracted corrosion engineering laboratory for determination of electrical resistivity, pH, and chloride concentrations. The resistivity of the soils is a measure of their potential to attack buried metal improvements such as utility lines. The results of some of these tests are presented below.

<u>Sample</u> Identification	<u>Saturated</u> <u>Resistivity</u> <u>(ohm-cm)</u>	<u>pH</u>	<u>Chlorides</u> (mg/kg)	<u>Nitrates</u> (mg/kg)	<u>Sulfides</u> (mg/kg)	<u>Redox</u> <u>Potential</u> <u>(mV)</u>
B-3 @ 1 to 5 feet	804	8.1	4.5	3.0	1.6	158
B-5 @ 1 to 5 feet	1,005	8.0	15.9	0.8	4.3	170



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 the grading and foundation construction activities being monitored by the geotechnical engineer of record. The recommendations are provided with the assumption that an adequate program of client consultation, construction monitoring, and testing will be performed during the final design and construction phases to verify compliance with these recommendations. Maintaining Southern California Geotechnical, Inc., (SCG) as the geotechnical consultant from the beginning to the end of the project will provide continuity of services. The geotechnical engineering firm providing testing and observation services shall assume the responsibility of 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. Furthermore, SCG did not identify any evidence of faulting during the geotechnical investigation. Therefore, the possibility of significant fault rupture on the site is considered to be low. The potential for other geologic hazards such as seismically induced settlement, lateral spreading, tsunamis, inundation, seiches, flooding, and subsidence affecting the site is considered low.

Seismic Design Parameters

The 2022 California Building Code (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. Based on the adoption of the 2022 CBC on January 1, 2023, we expect that the proposed development will be designed in accordance with the 2022 CBC.

The 2022 CBC Seismic Design Parameters have been generated using the <u>SEAOC/OSHPD Seismic</u> <u>Design Maps Tool</u>, a web-based software application available at the website www.seismicmaps.org. This software application calculates seismic design parameters in accordance with several building code reference documents, including ASCE 7-16, upon which the 2022 CBC is based. The application utilizes a database of risk-targeted maximum considered earthquake (MCE_R) site accelerations at 0.01-degree intervals for each of the code documents. The table below was created using data obtained from the application. The output generated from this program is included as Plate E-1 in Appendix E of this report.

The 2022 CBC states that for Site Class D sites with a mapped S₁ value greater than 0.2, a sitespecific ground motion analysis may be required in accordance with Section 11.4.8 of ASCE 7-16. Supplement 3 to ASCE 7-16 modifies Section 11.4.8 of ASCE 7-16 and states that "a ground motion hazard analysis is not required where the value of the parameter S_{M1} determined by Eq. (11.4-2) is increased by 50% for all applications of S_{M1} in this Standard. The resulting value of the parameter S_{D1} determined by Eq. (11.4-4) shall be used for all applications of S_{D1} in this Standard."

The seismic design parameters presented in the table below were calculated using the site coefficients (Fa and Fv) from Tables 1613.2.3(1) and 1613.2.3(2) presented in Section 16.4.4 of the 2022 CBC. It should be noted that the site coefficient Fv and the parameters SM1 and SD1 were not included in the SEAOC/OSHPD Seismic Design Maps Tool output for the ASCE 7-16 standard. We calculated these parameters-based on Table 1613.2.3(2) in Section 16.4.4 of the 2022 CBC using the value of S₁ obtained from the Seismic Design Maps Tool. **The values of S_{M1} and S_{D1} tabulated below** were evaluated using equations 11.4-2 and 11.4-4 of ASCE 7-16 (Equations 16-20 and 16-23, respectively, of the 2022 CBC) and **do not include a 50 percent increase.** As discussed above, if a ground motion hazard analysis has not been performed, S_{M1} and S_{D1} must be increased by 50 percent for all applications with respect to ASCE 7-16.

Parameter	Value				
Mapped Spectral Acceleration at 0.2 sec Period	Ss	1.756			
Mapped Spectral Acceleration at 1.0 sec Period	S 1	0.627			
Site Class		D			
Site Modified Spectral Acceleration at 0.2 sec Period	Sмs	1.756			
Site Modified Spectral Acceleration at 1.0 sec Period	S _{M1}	1.066*			
Design Spectral Acceleration at 0.2 sec Period	S _{DS}	1.171			
Design Spectral Acceleration at 1.0 sec Period	S _{D1}	0.711*			

2022 CBC SEISMIC DESIGN PARAMETERS

*Note: These values must be increased by 50 percent if a site-specific ground motion hazard analysis has not been performed. However, this increase is not expected to affect the design of the structure type proposed for this site. This assumption should be confirmed by the project structural engineer. The values tabulated above do not include a 50-percent increase.



Liquefaction

Liquefaction is the loss of 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<0.005mm) 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.

Research of the map, <u>Earthquake Zones of Required Investigation, Torrance Quadrangle</u>, published by the CGS, indicates that the site is not located in a designated liquefaction hazard zone. In addition, the subsurface investigation encountered native alluvium consisting of stiff to very stiff sandy clays and silty clays, and medium dense to dense silty sands and sandy silts. The subsurface conditions encountered at the subject site are not considered to be conducive to liquefaction. Based on the conditions encountered at the boring locations and the mapping performed by the CGS, liquefaction is not considered to be a significant design concern for this project.

6.2 Geotechnical Design Considerations

<u>General</u>

All of the borings encountered artificial fill materials, extending from the ground surface to depths of 3 to $61/2\pm$ feet. The fill soils possess varying densities and strengths. In addition, no documentation regarding the placement and compaction of these soils has been provided. The fill soils are therefore considered to be undocumented fill materials. The fill soils are underlain by native alluvium which possesses variable strengths and composition. Based on these conditions, the artificial fill materials and the near-surface alluvium, in their present condition, are not considered suitable for support of the foundations and floor slabs of the new structures. Additionally, it is anticipated that demolition of the existing structures and associated improvements will cause disturbance of the upper 3 to $5\pm$ feet of soil. Furthermore, the city of Torrance does not allow new buildings to be constructed on existing undocumented fill soils. Remedial grading will be necessary within the proposed building areas to remove the undocumented fill soils in their entirety, the upper portion of the near-surface native alluvial soils and any soils disturbed during the demolition process, and to replace these soils as compacted structural fill.

<u>Settlement</u>

The recommended remedial grading will remove the existing fill soils from the new building areas as well as a portion of the variable strength alluvium and replace these materials as compacted structural fill. The native soils that will remain in place below the recommended depth of



overexcavation possess will not be subject to significant load increases from the foundations of the new structures. Provided that the recommended remedial grading is completed, the postconstruction settlements of the proposed structures are expected to be within tolerable limits.

Expansion

The near-surface soils at this site generally consist of sandy clays and silty clays. Laboratory testing performed on representative samples of the near-surface soils indicates that the test samples possess low to very high expansion potentials (EI = 39 and 136). We expect that blending these expansive soils during grading will result in soils possessing an EI less than 90. The EI of the blended mixture should be verified during grading by a representative of the geotechnical engineer. Based on the presence of expansive soils at this site, care should be given to proper moisture conditioning the building pad subgrade soils to a moisture content of 3 to 5 percent above the ASTM D-1557 optimum during site grading, special care must be taken to maintaining moisture content of these soils at 3 to 5 percent above the optimum moisture condition the grading process, unless grading occurs during a period of relatively wet weather. Civil and structural design considerations are presented in Section 6.4 of this report.

Soluble Sulfates

The results of the soluble sulfate testing, discussed in Section 5.0 of this report, indicate soluble sulfate concentrations less than 0.009 percent. These concentrations are considered to be negligible or "not applicable" with respect to the American Concrete Institute (ACI) Publication 318-05 <u>Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete and Commentary</u>, Section 4.3. Therefore, specialized concrete mix designs are not considered to be necessary, with regard to sulfate protection purposes. It is, however, recommended that additional soluble sulfate testing be conducted at the completion of rough grading to verify the soluble sulfate concentrations of the soils which are present at pad grade within the building areas.

Corrosion Potential

The results of laboratory testing indicate that the tested samples of the near-surface soils possess saturated resistivities ranging from 804 to 1,005 ohm-cm, and pH values of 8.0 and 8.1. The soils possess redox potentials of up to 170 mV and sulfide concentrations of up to 4.3 mg/kg. These test results have been evaluated in accordance with guidelines published by the Ductile Iron Pipe Research Association (DIPRA). The DIPRA guidelines consist of a point system by which characteristics of the soils are used to quantify the corrosivity characteristics of the site. Resistivity, pH, sulfide concentration, redox potential, and moisture content are the five factors that enter into the evaluation procedure. **Based on the labor factors, the on-site soils are considered to be corrosive to ferrous pipes. Therefore, corrosion protection is expected to be required for cast iron or ductile iron pipes.**

Based on American Concrete Institute (ACI) Publication 318 <u>Building Code Requirements for</u> <u>Structural Concrete and Commentary</u>, reinforced concrete that is exposed to external sources of chlorides requires corrosion protection for the steel reinforcement contained within the concrete. ACI 318 defines concrete exposed to moisture and an external source of chlorides as "severe" or exposure category C2. ACI 318 does not clearly define a specific chloride concentration at which



contact with the adjacent soil will constitute a "C2" or severe exposure. However, the Caltrans <u>Memo to Designers 10-5</u>, Protection of Reinforcement Against Corrosion Due to Chlorides, Acids <u>and Sulfates</u>, dated June 2010, indicates that soils possessing chloride concentrations greater than 500 mg/kg are considered to be corrosive to reinforced concrete. The results of the laboratory testing indicate chloride concentrations ranging from 4.5 to 15.9 mg/kg. Although the soils contain some chlorides, we do not expect that the chloride concentrations of the tested soils are high enough to constitute a "severe" or C2 chloride exposure. Therefore, a chloride exposure category of C1 is considered appropriate for this site.

Nitrates present in soil can be corrosive to copper tubing at concentrations greater than 50 mg/kg. The tested samples possess nitrate concentrations of up to 3.0 mg/kg. Based on the test results, the on-site soils are not considered to be corrosive to copper pipe.

Since SCG does not practice in the area of corrosion engineering, we recommend that the client contact a corrosion engineer to provide a more thorough evaluation of these test results.

Shrinkage/Subsidence

Removal and recompaction of the near-surface alluvium is estimated to result in an average shrinkage of 5 to 15 percent. However, potential shrinkage for individual samples ranged locally between 1 and 20 percent. The potential shrinkage estimate is based on dry density testing performed on small-diameter samples taken at the boring locations. If a more accurate and precise shrinkage estimate is desired, SCG can perform a shrinkage study involving several excavated test-pits where in-place densities are determined using in-situ testing methods instead of laboratory density testing on small-diameter samples. Please contact SCG for details and a cost estimate regarding a shrinkage study, if desired.

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 $0.1\pm$ feet.

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

Grading and foundation plans were unavailable at the time of this report. It is therefore recommended that we be provided with copies of the preliminary grading and foundation 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 the 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

The proposed development will require demolition of the existing pavements and structures. Additionally, any existing improvements that will not remain in place for use with the new development should be removed in their entirety. This should include utilities, and any other subsurface improvements associated with the existing development. The existing pavements are not expected to be reused with the new development. Debris resultant from demolition should be disposed of off-site. Concrete and asphalt debris may be re-used as compacted fill, provided it is processed into miscellaneous base (CMB) at the site. Asphalt and concrete debris resultant from demolition may also be crushed to 2 to 4-inch particle size and used as a subgrade stabilization material. **Due to the clay content of the existing soils, mixing concrete and asphalt debris with the on-site soils is not recommended.**

Detailed structural information regarding the existing buildings has not been provided to our office. Therefore, the foundation systems supporting the existing buildings are generally unknown by SCG. We expect that the existing buildings are supported on conventional shallow foundations. However, if the buildings are supported on deep foundations, any existing piles or drilled piers located within the proposed building areas should be cut off at a depth of at least 3 feet below the bottom of the planned overexcavation. Where drilled pier or pile foundations are encountered within proposed pavement areas, they should be cut off at a depth of at least 2 feet below the proposed pavement subgrade elevation or at a depth of at least 1 foot below the bottom of any planned utilities.

Initial site stripping should also include removal of any surficial vegetation from the unpaved areas of the site. This should include any weeds, grasses, shrubs, and trees. Root systems associated with the trees should be removed in their entirety, and the resultant excavations should be backfilled with compacted structural fill soils. Any organic materials should be removed and disposed of off-site, or in non-structural areas of the property. The actual extent of site stripping should be determined in the field by the geotechnical engineer, based on the organic content and stability of the materials encountered.

Treatment of Existing Soils: Building Pads

Remedial grading should be performed within the new building pad areas to remove the undocumented fill soils, any soils disturbed during demolition, and a portion of the near-surface native alluvium. Based on the conditions encountered at the borings, the fill soils extend to depths of 3 to $61/2 \pm$ feet below the existing site grades at the boring locations.

We also recommend that the building pad areas be overexcavated to a depth of at least 4 feet below existing site grades elevation and to a depth of 3 feet below the proposed building pad subgrade elevations, whichever is greater. Additional overexcavation should be performed within the influence zones of the new foundations, extending to a depth of at least 3 feet below proposed foundation bearing grades.

The overexcavation areas should extend at least 5 feet beyond the building and foundation perimeters, and to an extent equal to the depth of fill placed below the foundation bearing grade,



whichever is greater. If the proposed structures incorporate 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 overexcavation areas 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 structures. 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.

Based on the conditions encountered at the exploratory boring locations, very moist soils will be encountered at or near the base of the recommended overexcavation. Stabilization of the exposed overexcavation subgrade soils will likely be necessary. Scarification and air drying of these materials may be sufficient to obtain a stable subgrade. However, if highly unstable soils are identified, and if the construction schedule does not allow for delays associated with drying, mechanical stabilization, usually consisting of coarse crushed stone or geotextile, could be necessary. In this event, the geotechnical engineer should be contacted for supplementary recommendations. Typically, an unstable subgrade can be stabilized using a suitable geotextile fabric, such as Mirafi RS580I, and/or a 12- to 18-inch-thick layer of coarse (2 to 4-inch particle size) crushed stone. Asphalt and concrete debris resultant from demolition could be crushed to 2 to 4-inch particle size and used as a subgrade stabilization material. Other options, including lime or cement treatment are also available. Typically, an unstable subgrade may be stabilized by treating the upper 12 to $18\pm$ inches of subgrade material with cement to concentrations between 5 to 7 percent (by dry weight of soil).

After a suitable overexcavation subgrade has been achieved, the exposed soils should be scarified to a depth of at least 12 inches and moisture conditioned or air dried to achieve a moisture content of 3 to 5 percent above optimum moisture content. The subgrade soils should then be recompacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density. The building pad areas may then be raised to grade with previously excavated soils or imported, structural fill. **However, it is recommended that the upper 24 inches of the building pad subgrade soils consist of very low to non-expansive soil.** The 2-foot-thick layer of very low to non-expansive soil should consist of either the on-site CMB resultant from demolition, cement-treated or lime-treated on-site soils, or non-expansive granular imported, structural fill.

Treatment of Existing Soils: Retaining Walls and Site Walls

The existing soils within the areas of proposed retaining and non-retaining site walls should be overexcavated to a depth of at least 3 feet below foundation bearing grade and replaced as compacted structural fill. Any undocumented fill soils within any of these foundation areas should be removed in their entirety. The overexcavation areas should extend at least 3 feet beyond the foundation perimeters, and to an extent equal to the depth of fill below the new foundations. Please note that erection pads are considered to be part of the foundation system. These overexcavation recommendations apply to erection pads also. The overexcavation subgrade soils should be evaluated by the geotechnical engineer prior to scarifying, moisture conditioning to within 3 to 5 percent above the optimum moisture content, and recompacting the upper 12 inches



of exposed subgrade soils. The previously excavated soils may then be replaced as compacted structural fill.

If the full lateral extent of overexcavation is not achievable for the proposed walls, foundation elements must be redesigned using a lower bearing pressure. The geotechnical engineer of record should be contacted for recommendations pertaining to this type of condition.

Treatment of Existing Soils: Parking and Drive Areas

Based on economic considerations, overexcavation of the existing soils in the new parking and drive areas is not considered warranted from a geotechnical standpoint, 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 and drive areas should initially consist of removal of soils disturbed during stripping and demolition operations.

The geotechnical engineer should then evaluate the subgrade to identify any areas of additional unsuitable soils. Any such materials should be removed to a level of firm and unyielding soil. The exposed subgrade soils should then be scarified to a depth of 12 inches, moisture conditioned to at least 3 to 5 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 surficial 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 completely mitigate the extent of the existing 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 overexcavated to a depth of 2 feet below proposed pavement subgrade elevation, with the removed soils replaced as compacted structural fill.

Please note that based on our experience with recent projects located in the city of Torrance, it is our understanding that the city of Torrance requires that all undocumented fill soils within parking and drive areas be removed and replaced as structural fill. These recommendations exceed SCG's typical recommendations for pavement subgrade preparation, which are presented above. Based on the conditions encountered at the borings located within proposed parking and drive areas, fill soils extend to depths of 3 to $61/2 \pm$ below the existing site grades. We recommend that research be performed at the City of Torrance in order to determine if a compaction report documenting the placement and compaction of the existing fill soils at this site is available. If it is determined that the fill soils within the proposed parking and drive areas are undocumented fill soils, then any undocumented fill soils present within the proposed parking and drive areas should be removed in their entirety as required by the city of Torrance. The pavement subgrade may then be raised to grade with previously excavated soils or imported, structural fill.



Treatment of Existing Soils: Flatwork Areas

Subgrade preparation in the new flatwork areas should initially consist of removal of the 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 $12\pm$ inches, moisture conditioned to 3 to 5 percent above the optimum moisture content, and recompacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density.

Some movement and associated cracking of the flatwork materials should be expected, due to the presence of low to very high expansive soils. If this movement and the associated cracking cannot be tolerated, consideration should be given to the use of an imported, non-expansive, granular fill material in order to reduce the potential for differential movements of lightly loaded slabs. Such select fill material could be placed within the upper 1 to $2\pm$ feet below the flatwork subgrade as compacted structural fill.

Fill Placement

- Fill soils should be placed in thin (6± inches), near-horizontal lifts, moisture conditioned to 3 to 5 percent above the optimum moisture content, and compacted.
- Fill consisting of very low-expansive on-site or imported soils should be placed in thin (6± inches), near-horizontal lifts, moisture conditioned to 0 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.
- Grading and fill placement activities should be completed in accordance with the requirements of the 2022 CBC and the grading code of the city of Torrance.
- 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

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, utility trench backfill should be compacted to at least 90 percent of the ASTM D-1557 maximum dry density. Compacted trench backfill should conform to the requirements of the local grading code, and more restrictive requirements may be indicated by the city of Torrance. 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 (horizontal to vertical) 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.

Any soils used to backfill voids around subsurface utility structures, such as manholes or vaults, should be placed as compacted structural fill. If it is not practical to place compacted fill in these areas, then such void spaces may be backfilled with lean concrete slurry. Uncompacted pea gravel or sand is not recommended for backfilling these voids since these materials have a potential to settle and thereby cause distress of pavements placed around these subterranean structures.

6.4 Construction Considerations

Excavation Considerations

The near-surface soils generally consist of sandy clays and silty clays. Some of these materials may 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, temporary excavation slopes should be made no steeper than 1.5h:1v within clayey soils, and where sandier soils are encountered, temporary excavation slopes should be no steeper than 2h:1v. **The contractor should take all necessary precautions during grading and foundation construction to prevent damage to structures and improvements which are adjacent to the proposed development.** 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. Excavation activities on this site should be conducted in accordance with Cal-OSHA regulations.

Moisture Sensitive Subgrade Soils

The near-surface soils generally consist of very moist sandy clays and silty clays, and will become unstable if exposed to significant moisture infiltration or disturbance by construction traffic. If grading occurs during a period of relatively wet weather, an increase in subgrade instability should also be expected. The site should, therefore, be graded to prevent ponding of surface water and to prevent water from running into excavations.

As discussed in Section 6.3 of this report, unstable subgrade soils will likely be encountered at the base of the overexcavations within the proposed building areas. The extent of unstable subgrade soils will to a large degree depend on methods used by the contractor to avoid adding additional moisture to these soils or disturbing soils which already possess high moisture contents. **Due to the potential for subgrade instability, it is recommended that only tracked vehicles be utilized for grading or construction activities that require traffic over the exposed subgrade soils.**



If the construction schedule dictates that site grading will occur during a period of wet weather, allowances should be made for costs and delays associated with drying the on-site soils or import of a drier, less moisture sensitive fill material. Grading during wet or cool weather may also increase the depth of overexcavation in the pad areas as well as the need for and/or the thickness of the crushed stone stabilization layer, discussed in Section 6.3 of this report.

Expansive Soils

The near-surface soils have been determined to possess low to very high expansion potentials. Therefore, care should be given to proper moisture conditioning the subgrade soils to a moisture content of 3 to 5 percent above the Modified Proctor optimum during site grading. Imported fill soils should have low expansive (EI < 50) characteristics. **In addition to adequately moisture conditioning the subgrade soils and fill soils during grading, special care must be taken to maintain the moisture content of these soils at 3 to 5 percent above the Modified Proctor optimum. This will require the contractor to frequently moisture condition these soils throughout the grading process, unless grading occurs during a period of relatively wet weather.**

Due to the presence of expansive soils at this site, provisions should be made to limit the potential for surface water to penetrate the soils immediately adjacent to the structures. These provisions should include directing surface runoff into rain gutters and area drains, reducing the extent of landscaped areas around the structures, and sloping the ground surface away from the buildings. Where possible, it is recommended that landscaped planters not be located immediately adjacent to the buildings. If landscaped planters around the buildings are necessary, it is recommended that drought tolerant plants or a drip irrigation system be utilized, to minimize the potential for deep moisture penetration around the structures. Presented below is a list of additional soil moisture control recommendations that should be considered by the owner, developer, and civil engineer:

- Ponding and areas of low flow gradients in unpaved walkways, grass and planter areas should be avoided. In general, minimum drainage gradients of 2 percent should be maintained in unpaved areas.
- Bare soil within five feet of proposed structures should be sloped at a minimum five percent gradient away from the structures (about three inches of fall in five feet), or the same area could be paved with a minimum surface gradient of one percent. Pavement is preferable.
- Decorative gravel ground cover tends to provide a reservoir for surface water and may hide areas
 of ponding or poor drainage. Decorative gravel is, therefore, not recommended and should not be
 utilized for landscaping unless equipped with a subsurface drainage system designed by a licensed
 landscape architect.
- Positive drainage devices, such as graded swales, paved ditches, and catch basins should be installed at appropriate locations within the area of proposed development.
- Concrete walks and flatwork should not obstruct the free flow of surface water to the appropriate drainage devices.
- Area drains should be recessed below grade to allow free flow of water into the drain. Concrete or brick flatwork joints should be sealed with mortar or flexible mastic.
- Gutter and downspout systems should be installed to capture all discharge from roof areas. Downspouts should discharge directly into a pipe or paved surface system to be conveyed offsite.
- Enclosed planters adjoining, or in close proximity to proposed structures, should be sealed at the bottom and provided with subsurface collection systems and outlet pipes.



- Depressed planters should be raised with soil to promote runoff (minimum drainage gradient two percent or five percent, see above), and/or equipped with area drains to eliminate ponding.
- Drainage outfall locations should be selected to avoid erosion of slopes and/or properly armored to prevent erosion of graded surfaces. No drainage should be directed over or towards adjoining slopes.
- All drainage devices should be maintained on a regular basis, including frequent observations during the rainy season to keep the drains free of leaves, soil and other debris.
- Landscape irrigation should conform to the recommendations of the landscape architect and should be performed judiciously to preclude either soaking or excessive drying of the foundation soils. This should entail regular watering during the drier portions of the year and little or no irrigation during the rainy season. Automatic sprinkler systems should, therefore, be switched to manual operation during the rainy season. Good irrigation practice typically requires frequent application of limited quantities of water that are sufficient to sustain plant growth, but do not excessively wet the soils. Ponding and/or run-off of irrigation water are indications of excessive watering.

Other provisions, as determined by the landscape architect or civil engineer, may also be appropriate.

<u>Groundwater</u>

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. 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 pads will be underlain by structural fill soils used to replace undocumented fill soils and a portion of the underlying native alluvium. These new structural fill soils are expected to extend to a depth of at least 3 feet below proposed foundation bearing grade, underlain by $1\pm$ foot of additional soil that has been densified and moisture conditioned in place. Based on this subsurface profile, the proposed structures may be supported on conventional shallow foundations.

Foundation Design Parameters

New square and rectangular footings may be designed as follows:

- Maximum, net allowable soil bearing pressure: 2,500 lbs/ft².
- Reduced net allowable soil bearing pressure: 1,500 lbs/ft² if the full recommended extent of remedial grading cannot be achieved, typically for new footings along the property lines.
- Minimum wall/column footing width: 14 inches/24 inches.
- Minimum longitudinal steel reinforcement within strip footings: Six (6) No. 5 rebars (3 top and 3 bottom) based on the presence of expansive soils.



- Minimum foundation embedment: 12 inches into suitable structural fill soils, and at least 24 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 the 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 1/3 when considering short duration wind or seismic loads. 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. Within the new building areas, 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 or competent native alluvial soils, with the resulting excavations backfilled with non-expansive 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 3 to 5 percent of 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 50-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: 250 lbs/ft³
- Friction Coefficient: 0.28

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 soils. The maximum allowable passive pressure is 2,500 lbs/ft².

6.6 Floor Slab Design and Construction

Subgrades which will support the 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 floors of the proposed structures may be constructed as conventional slabs-on-grade supported on newly placed structural fill, extending to a depth of at least 3 feet below finished pad grades. The upper 24 inches of the building pad subgrade soils should consist of very low to non-expansive soil. Based on geotechnical considerations, the floor slabs may be designed as follows:

- Minimum slab thickness: 6 inches.
- Modulus of Subgrade Reaction: k = 150 psi/in.
- Minimum slab reinforcement: No. 4 bars at 16-inches on-center, in both directions, due to the expansive potential of the on-site soils. 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 the minimum slab underlayment should consist of a moisture vapor barrier constructed below the entire area where such moisture sensitive 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. A polyolefin material such as a 15 mil. Stego[®] Wrap Vapor Barrier or equivalent will meet these specifications. The moisture vapor barrier should be properly constructed in accordance with the applicable manufacturer specifications. 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 3 to 5 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 floor slabs should be structurally connected to the foundations as detailed by the structural engineer.

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



6.7 Exterior Flatwork Design and Construction

Subgrades which will support new exterior slabs-on-grade for sidewalks, patios, and other concrete flatwork, should be prepared in accordance with the recommendations contained in the *Grading Recommendations* section of this report. As noted previously, flatwork supported on the existing expansive soils will be subject to minor to moderate amounts of movement as the moisture content within the subgrade soils fluctuates. This movement may cause cracking or other distress within the flatwork. If additional protection against flatwork cracking is desired, consideration should be given to the placement of a 1 to 2-foot-thick layer of very low expansive structural fill beneath the flatwork sections. Assuming that the flatwork is supported on the existing soils, exterior slabs on grade may be designed as follows:

- Minimum slab thickness: 4¹/₂ inches due to the presence of expansive site soils.
- Minimum slab reinforcement: No. 3 bars at 18 inches on center, in both directions, due to the presence of expansive soils.
- The flatwork at building entry areas should be structurally connected to the perimeter foundation that is recommended to span across the door opening. This recommendation is designed to reduce the potential for differential movement at this joint.
- Moisture condition the flatwork subgrade soils to at least 3 to 5 percent above optimum moisture content, to a depth of at least 12 inches. Adequate moisture conditioning should be verified by the geotechnical engineer 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.
- Control joints should be provided at a maximum spacing of 8 feet on center in two directions for slabs and at 6 feet on center for sidewalks. Control joints are intended to direct cracking. Minor cracking of exterior concrete slabs on grade should be expected.
- Where flatwork is immediately adjacent to landscape planters, a thickened edge should be utilized. This edge should extend to a depth of at least 12 inches and incorporate longitudinal reinforcement consisting of at least two No. 4 bars.
- Expansion or felt joints should be used at the interface of exterior slabs on grade and any fixed structures to permit relative movement.

These recommendations are contingent upon additional expansion index testing being conducted at the completion of rough grading, to verify the actual expansion potential of the flatwork subgrade soils.



6.8 Retaining Wall Design and Construction

Although not indicated on the site plans, some small (less than 6 feet in height) retaining walls may be required to facilitate the new site grades. 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. **Most of the near-surface soils encountered at the boring locations consist of low to very high expansive sandy clays and silty clays. These materials are not considered suitable for use as retaining wall.** It is recommended that a select imported material be used to backfill the retaining walls. These materials are recommended to consist of sands or silty sands possessing an expansion index less than 20, and an internal angle of friction of at least 30 degrees when compacted to 90 percent relative compaction.

The select fill materials 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.

		Soil Type
De	sign Parameter	Imported Silty Sands or Sands
Internal Friction Angle (ϕ)		30°
Unit Weight		125 lbs/ft ³
	Active Condition (level backfill)	42 lbs/ft ³
Equivalent Fluid Pressure:	Active Condition (2h:1v backfill)	67 lbs/ft ³
	At-Rest Condition (level backfill)	63 lbs/ft ³

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The walls should be designed using a soil-footing coefficient of friction of 0.28 and an equivalent passive pressure of 250 lbs/ft³. 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.

Seismic Lateral Earth Pressures

In addition to the lateral earth pressures presented in the previous section, retaining walls which are more than 6 feet in height should be designed for a seismic lateral earth pressure, in accordance with the 2022 CBC. Based on the current site plan, it is not expected that any walls in excess of 6 feet in height will be required for this project. If any such walls are proposed, our office should be contacted for supplementary design recommendations.

Retaining Wall Foundation Design

The retaining wall foundations should be supported within newly placed compacted structural fill, extending to a depth of at least 3 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

Retaining wall backfill soils should consist of imported select structural fill possessing an expansion index less than 20. Backfill material placed within 3 feet of the back wall face should have a particle size no greater than 3 inches. The retaining wall backfill materials should be well graded.

It is recommended that a properly installed 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 on the back side of the retaining walls. This material should 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. 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.

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). 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.

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 2-inch diameter holes in the wall situated slightly above the ground surface elevation on the exposed side of the wall and at an approximate 10-foot on-center spacing. Alternatively, 4-inch diameter holes at an approximate 20-foot on-center spacing can be used for this type of drainage system. In addition, 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. The actual design of this type of system should be determined by the civil engineer to verify that the drainage system possesses the adequate capacity and slope for its intended use.

Weep holes or a footing drain will not be required for building stem walls.

6.9 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 sandy clays and silty clays. These soils are considered to possess poor pavement support characteristics with estimated R-values ranging from 5 to 20. The subsequent pavement design is therefore based upon an assumed R-value of 10. 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.



Traffic Index	No. of Heavy Trucks per Day
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.

ASPHALT PAVEMENTS (R = 10)					
	Thickness (inches)				
Materials	Auto Parking and Truck Traffic				
	(TI = 4.0 to 5.0)	TI = 6.0	TI = 7.0	TI = 8.0	TI = 9.0
Asphalt Concrete	3	31⁄2	4	5	51⁄2
Aggregate Base	9	12	15	16	19
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 batch plant-reported maximum density. 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" <u>Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction</u>.

Portland Cement Concrete

The preparation of the subgrade soils and aggregate base course 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:



PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE PAVEMENTS (R = 10)						
		Thickness (inches)				
Materials	Autos and Light Truck Traffic					
	(TI = 6.0)	TI = 7.0	TI = 8.0	TI = 9.0		
PCC	5	51⁄2	7	81⁄2		
Aggregate Base	Not Required	6	6	6		
Compacted Subgrade (95% minimum compaction)	12	12	12	12		

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



This report has been prepared as an instrument of service for use by the client, in order to aid in the evaluation of this property and to assist the architects and engineers in the design and preparation of the project plans and specifications. This report may be provided to the contractor(s) and other design consultants to disclose information relative to the project. However, this report is not intended to be utilized as a specification in and of itself, without appropriate interpretation by the project architect, civil engineer, and/or structural engineer. The reproduction and distribution of this report must be authorized by the client and Southern California Geotechnical, Inc. Furthermore, any reliance on this report by an unauthorized third party is at such party's sole risk, and we accept no responsibility for damage or loss which may occur. The client(s)' reliance upon this report is subject to the Engineering Services Agreement, incorporated into our proposal for this project.

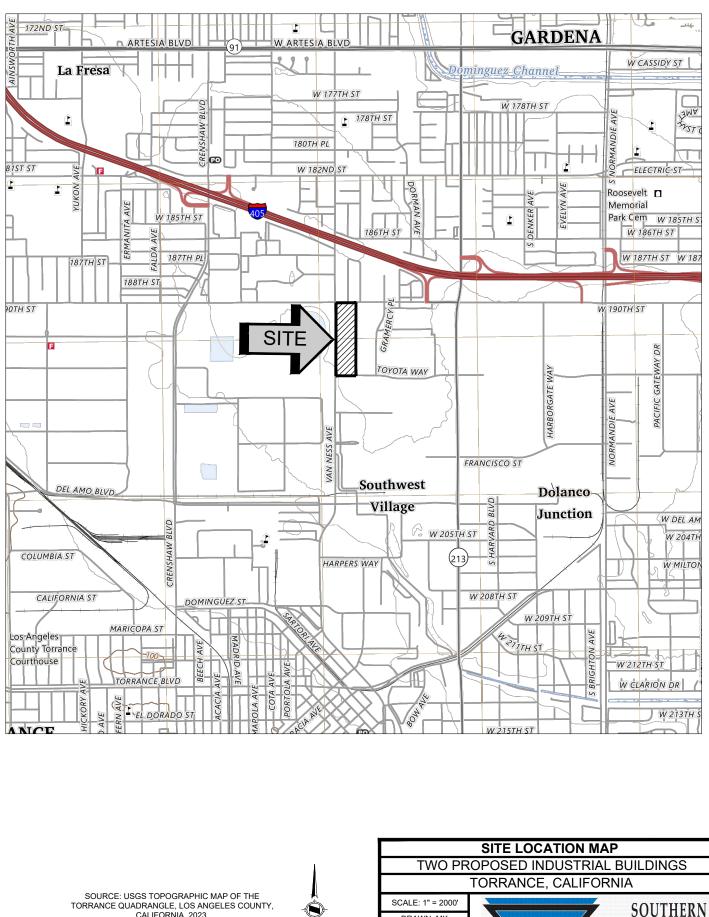
The analysis of this site was based on a subsurface profile interpolated from limited discrete soil samples. While the materials encountered in the project area are considered to be representative of the total area, some variations should be expected between boring locations and sample depths. If the 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.



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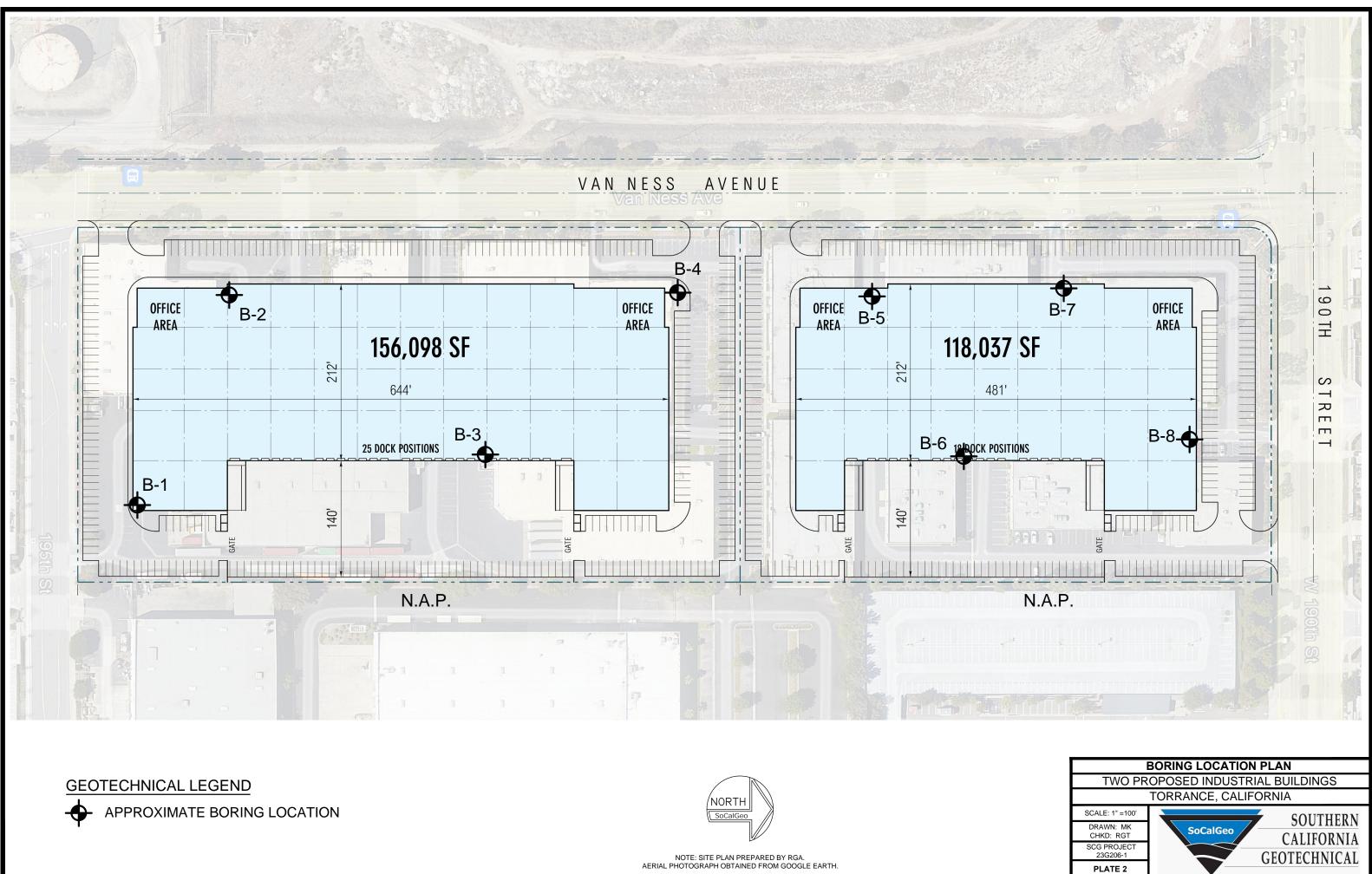
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NOTE: SITE PLAN PREPARED BY RGA. AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH OBTAINED FROM GOOGLE EARTH.

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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	M	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	\bigcirc	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

<u>DEPTH</u> :	Distance in feet below the ground surface.
<u>SAMPLE</u> :	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 ³ .
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

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			GRAPH	LETTER	DESCRIPTIONS
	GRAVEL AND	CLEAN GRAVELS		GW	WELL-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES
	GRAVELLY SOILS	(LITTLE OR NO FINES)		GP	POORLY-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES
COARSE GRAINED SOILS	MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE	GRAVELS WITH FINES		GM	SILTY GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND - SILT MIXTURES
	FRACTION RETAINED ON NO. 4 SIEVE	(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)		GC	CLAYEY GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND - CLAY MIXTURES
MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS	SAND AND	CLEAN SANDS		SW	WELL-GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SANDS, LITTLE OR NO FINES
LARGER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE SIZE	SANDY SOILS	(LITTLE OR NO FINES)		SP	POORLY-GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SAND, LITTLE OR NO FINES
	MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE FRACTION	SANDS WITH FINES		SM	SILTY SANDS, SAND - SILT MIXTURES
	PASSING ON NO. 4 SIEVE	(APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES)		SC	CLAYEY SANDS, SAND - CLAY MIXTURES
				ML	INORGANIC SILTS AND VERY FINE SANDS, ROCK FLOUR, SILTY OR CLAYEY FINE SANDS OR CLAYEY SILTS WITH SLIGHT PLASTICITY
FINE GRAINED SOILS	SILTS AND CLAYS	LIQUID LIMIT LESS THAN 50		CL	INORGANIC CLAYS OF LOW TO MEDIUM PLASTICITY, GRAVELLY CLAYS, SANDY CLAYS, SILTY CLAYS, LEAN CLAYS
00120				OL	ORGANIC SILTS AND ORGANIC SILTY CLAYS OF LOW PLASTICITY
MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS SMALLER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE				МН	INORGANIC SILTS, MICACEOUS OR DIATOMACEOUS FINE SAND OR SILTY SOILS
SIZE	SILTS AND CLAYS	LIQUID LIMIT GREATER THAN 50		СН	INORGANIC CLAYS OF HIGH PLASTICITY
				ОН	ORGANIC CLAYS OF MEDIUM TO HIGH PLASTICITY, ORGANIC SILTS
HI	GHLY ORGANIC S	SOILS		PT	PEAT, HUMUS, SWAMP SOILS WITH HIGH ORGANIC CONTENTS

NOTE: DUAL SYMBOLS ARE USED TO INDICATE BORDERLINE SOIL CLASSIFICATIONS

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-		31	4.5		Fill: Dark Gray Brown fine Sandy Clay, some Silt, trace AC fragments, very stiff to hard-moist to very moist	118	11					
-		27	4.5			113	17					
5 -		14	4.5		<u>ALLUVIUM:</u> Brown fine Sandy Clay, some Silt, trace Calcareous nodules/veining, very stiff to hard-very moist	104	20					-
-		15	4.5			99	24					
10-		25	4.0		- - -	101	26					-
15 -	X	27	4.5		- - -	-	23					
20-	X	19			Light Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, trace Clay, medium dense-damp to moist	-	8					
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5		15	4.5		<u>ALLUVIUM:</u> Brown fine Sandy Clay, some Silt, trace Calcareous nodules/veining, stiff to very stiff-very moist		20					
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		18	4.5		· · · ·	-	23					-
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		19			Light Gray Brown fine Sandy Silt, trace to little Clay, medium dense-very moist	-	15					-
-15					Boring Terminated at 15 feet							
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-		11	2.0		ALLUVIUM: Brown fine Sandy Clay, some Silt, stiff to very stiff-very moist	-	24					-
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- 15 -		24	4.0		· · ·	-	21					
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_					PAVEMENT: 5± inches Asphaltic Concrete, 8± inches Aggregate							
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	X	15	4.5			106	17					
5 -		11	3.5		<u>ALLUVIUM:</u> Brown fine Sandy Clay, some Silt, trace Calcareous nodules/veining, medium stiff to very stiff-very moist	97	20					
		23	4.5			100	24					
10-		24	4.0		-	93	27					
	X	19	3.5			-	27					
20-	X	19			Light Brown fine Sandy Silt, trace Calcareous nodules/veining, medium dense to dense-moist to very moist	-	13					
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-	M		2.5			-	20					Upper 5 feet
5 -		22	4.5		-	111	17					
		16	4.5		<u>ALLUVIUM:</u> Brown fine Sandy Clay, some Silt, stiff to very stiff-very moist	97	27					
10-		14	4.5		-	95	29					
		26	4.5		- -	91	30					
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		19 18	4.5 4.5		FILL: Dark Gray Brown Silty Clay, trace fine to medium Sand, very stiff- very moist	-	19					
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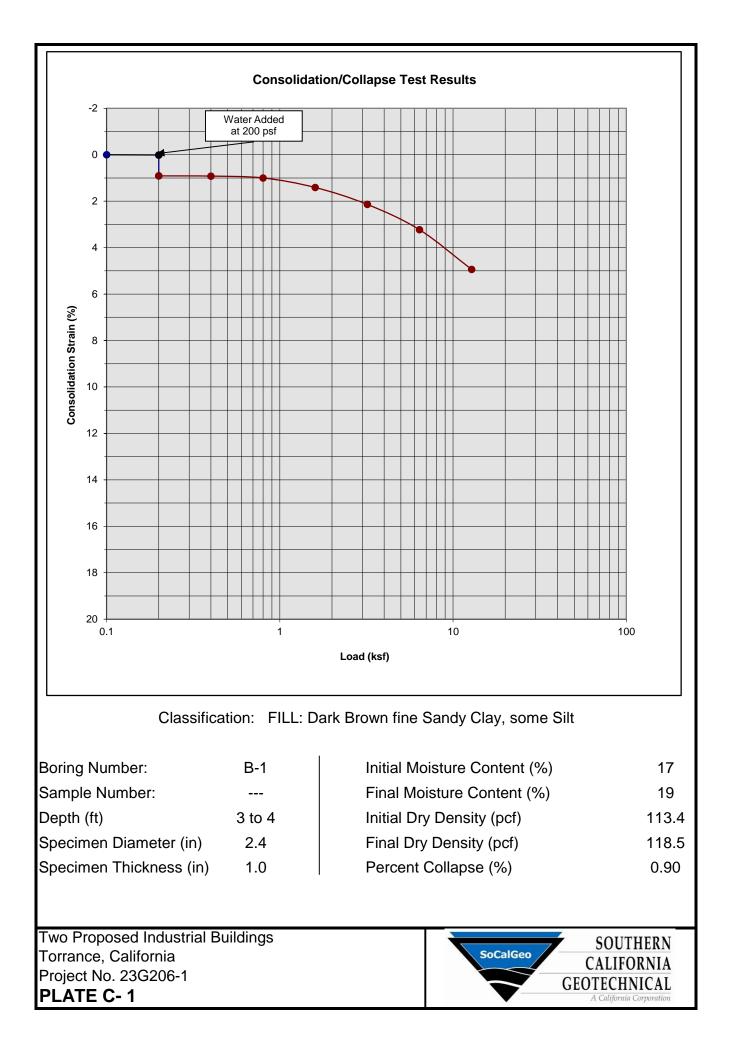


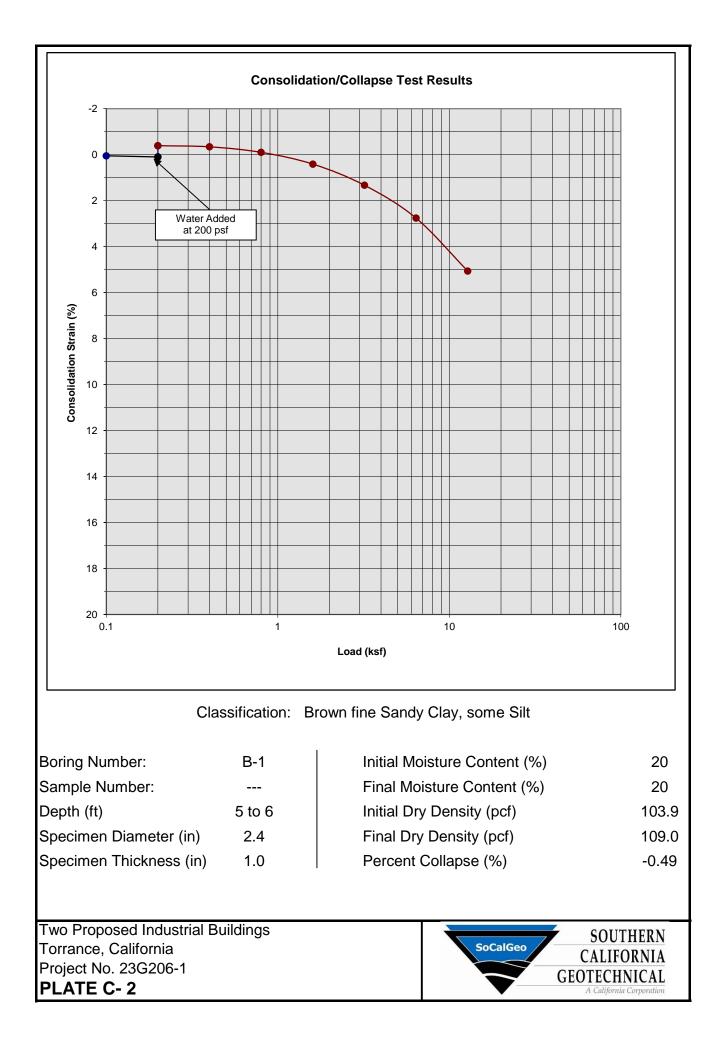
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-	X	8	2.5		PAVEMENT: 4± inches Asphaltic Concrete with No Discernible Aggregate Base <u>FILL:</u> Dark Brown Silty Clay, some fine Sand, medium stiff- very moist	-	21					
5 -	X	5	2.5			-	21					
-	X	12	1.0		ALLUVIUM: Brown fine Sandy Clay, some Silt, medium stiff to very stiff-very moist		17					
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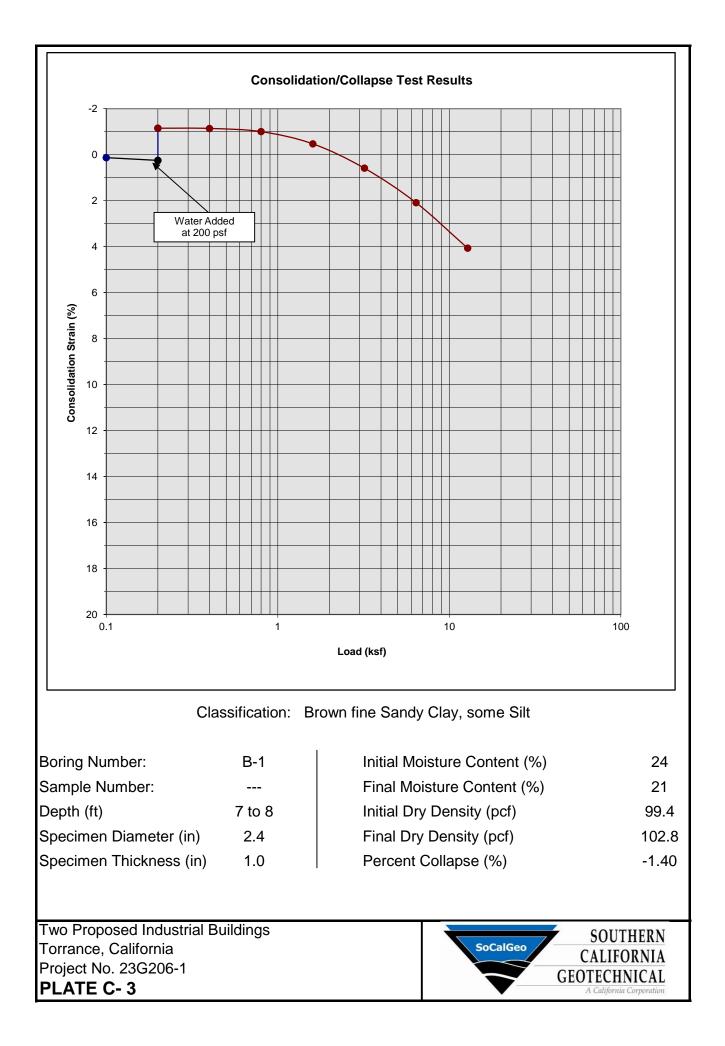


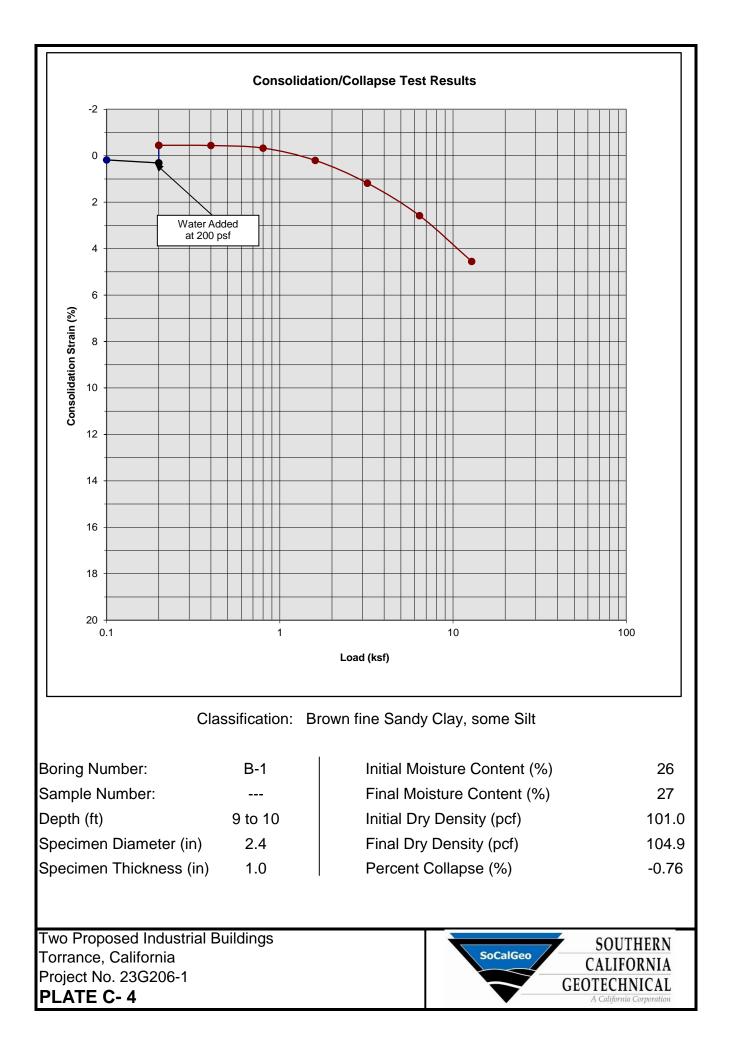
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		13	4.5		· ·	106	20						-
5 -		11	4.5		<u>ALLUVIUM</u> : Brown Silty Clay, little fine Sand, trace Calcareous nodules/veining, medium stiff to very stiff-very moist	107	19						-
		12	4.5			102	23						-
10-		23	4.5		-	100	24						-
15 -		15	4.5		· · · ·	-	27						-
20-		15	2.5			-	26						-
25 -		19	3.5		Gray Brown fine Sandy Clay, little Silt, trace medium Sand, trace Calcareous nodules/veining, very stiff-very moist	-	21						
- 30 -		36			Gray Brown Silty fine Sand, trace Calcareous nodules/veining, trace Iron Oxide staining, dense-damp	-	7						•
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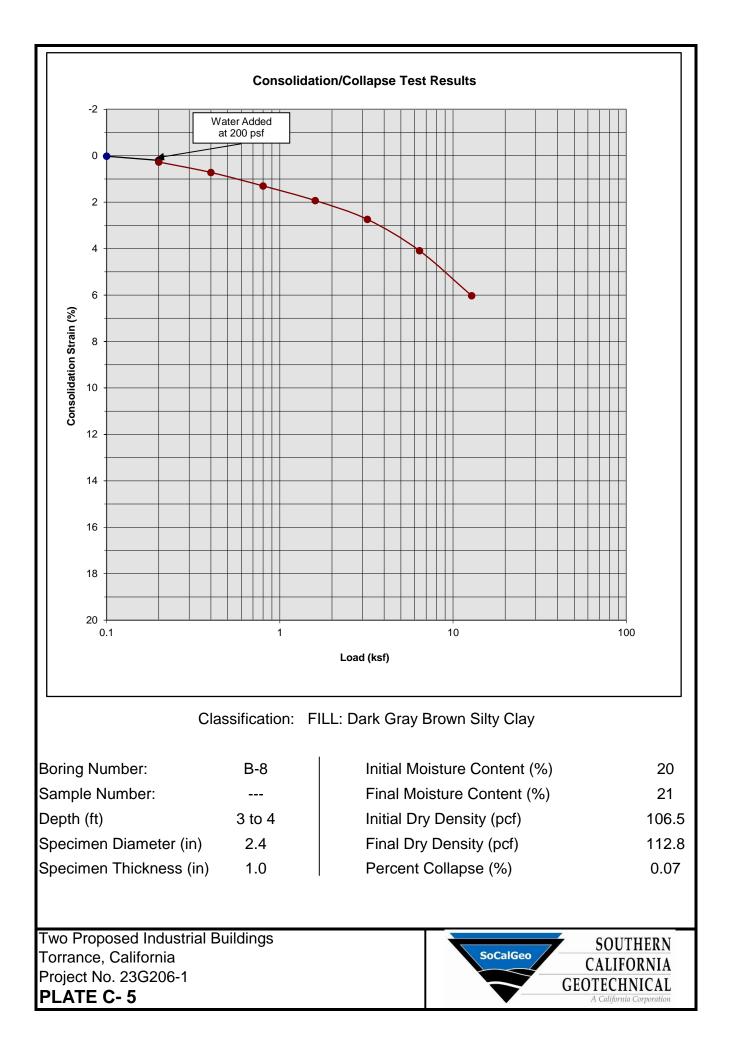
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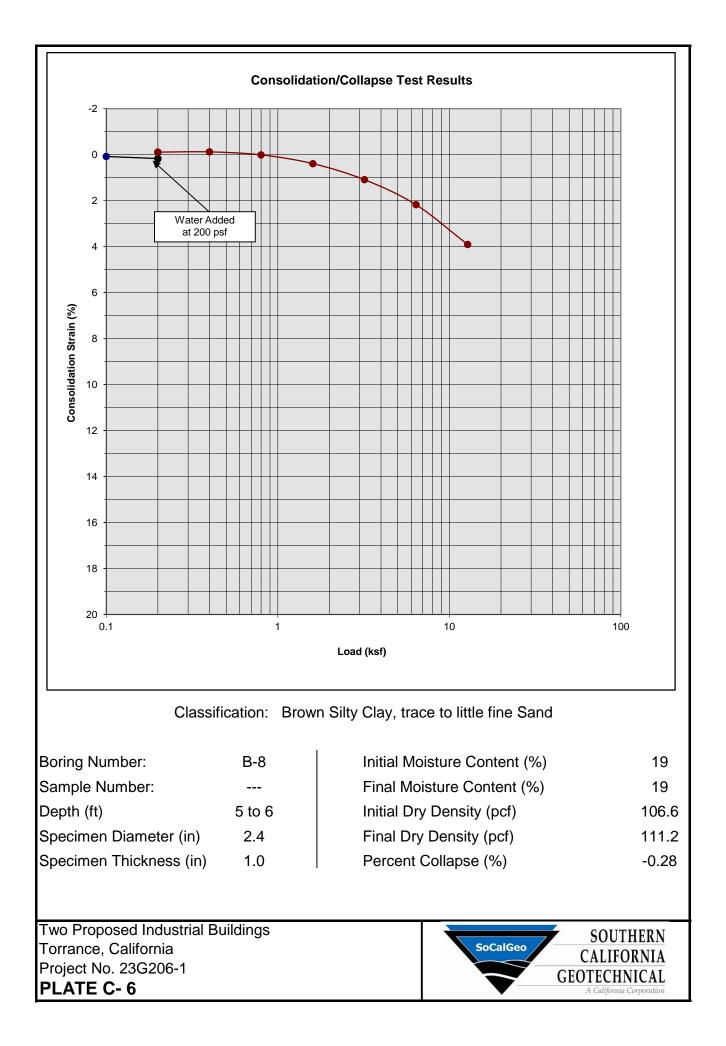


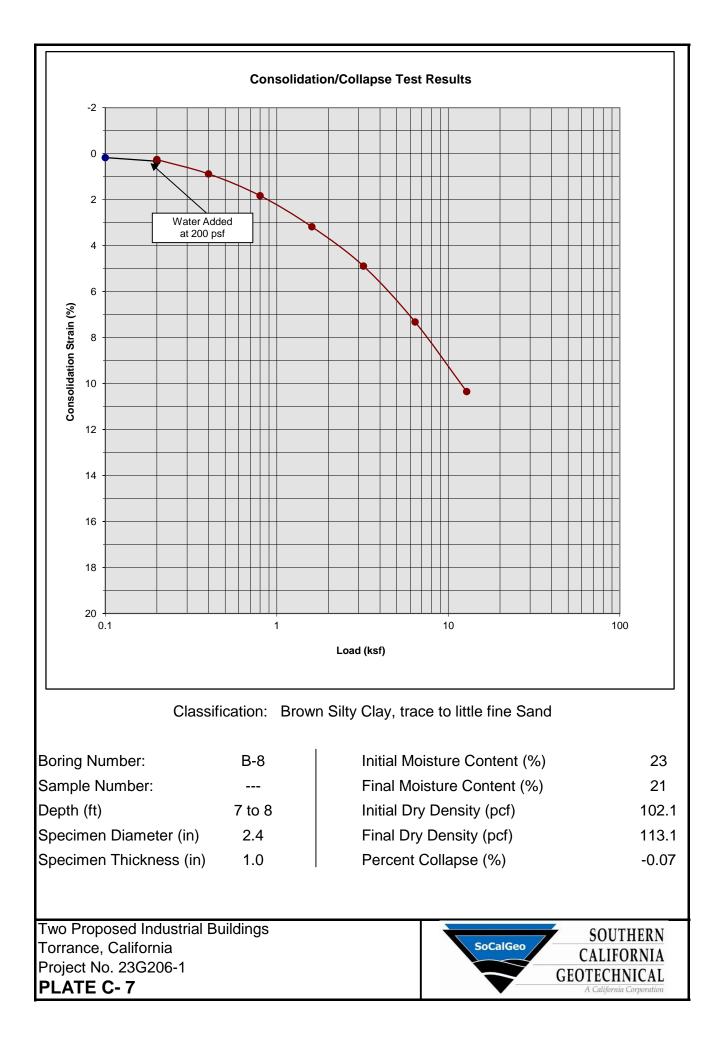


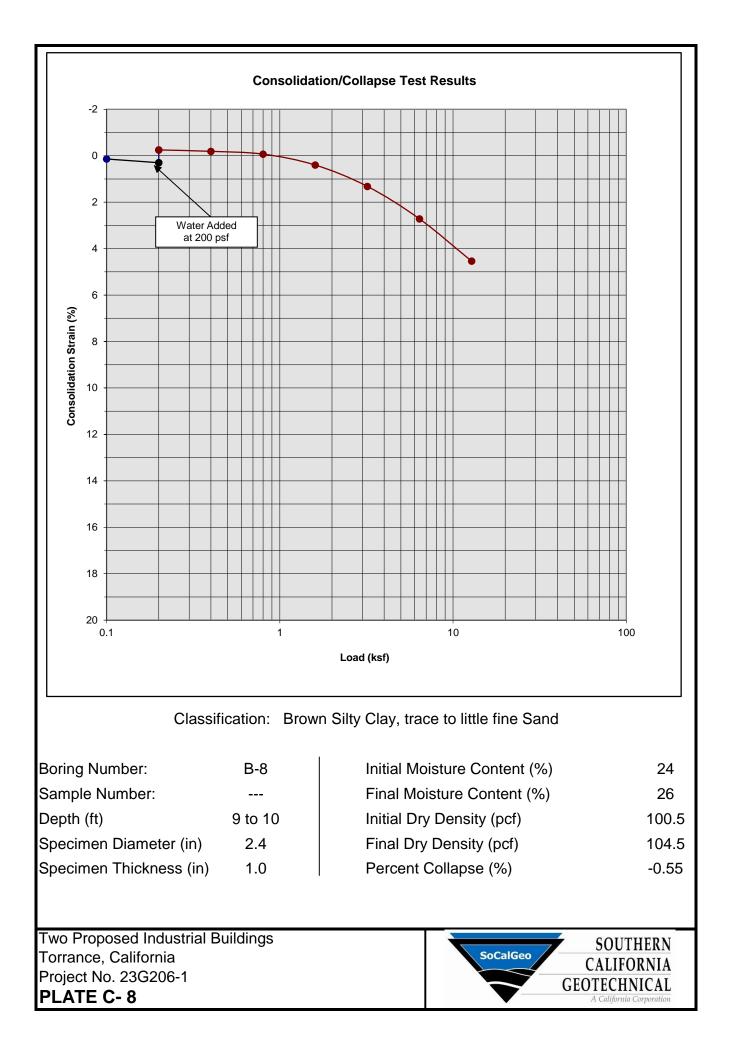


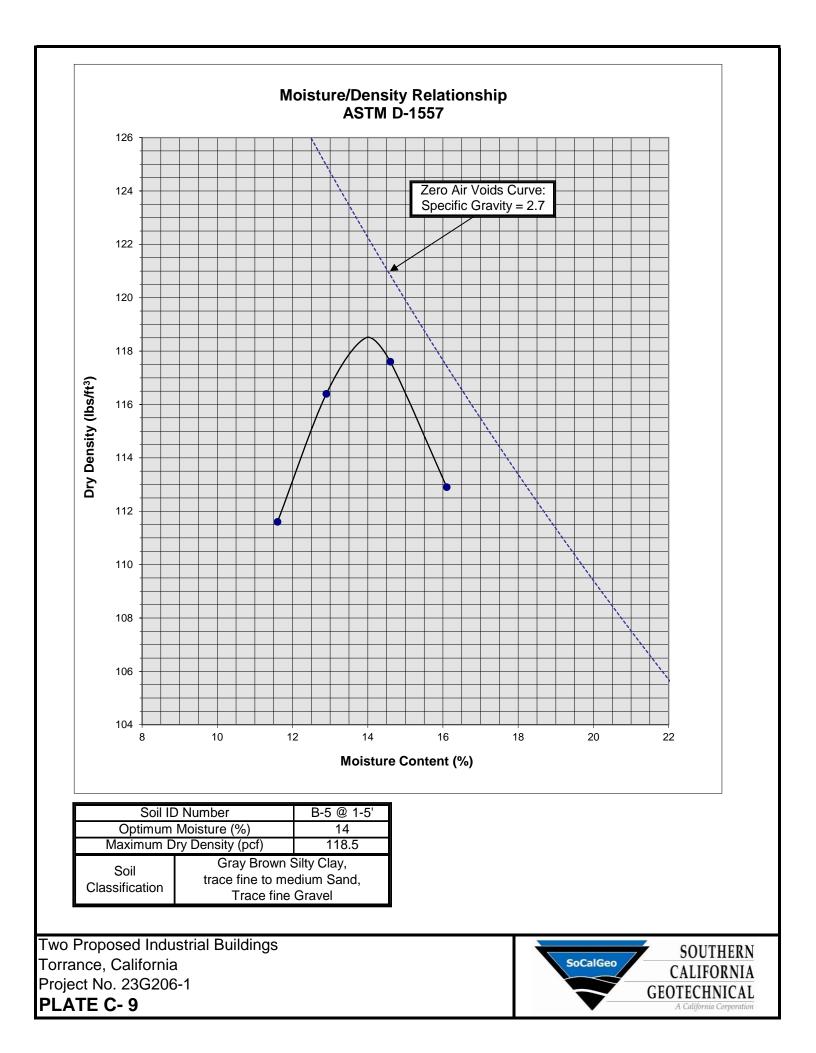












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GRADING GUIDE SPECIFICATIONS

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.

<u>General</u>

- 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 jobsite 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

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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 $\frac{1}{2}$ 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

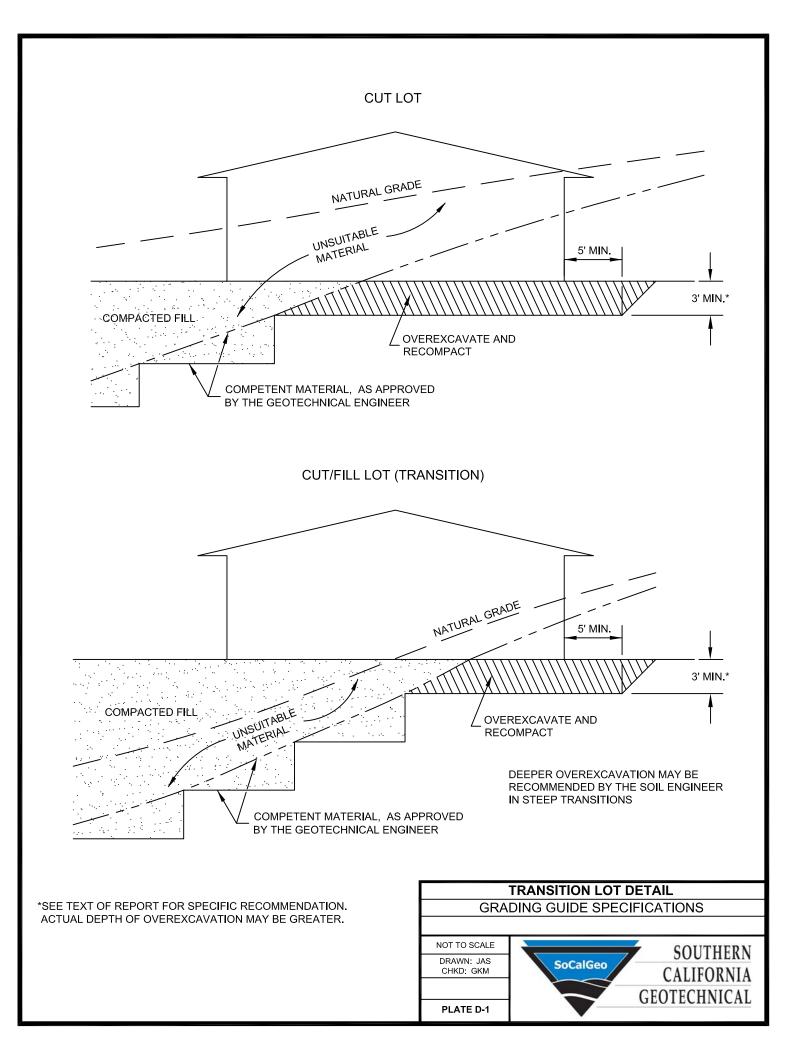
- The placement and compaction of fill described above applies to all fill slopes. Slope compaction should be accomplished by overfilling the slope, adequately compacting the fill in even layers, including the overfilled zone and cutting the slope back to expose the compacted core
- Slope compaction 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).

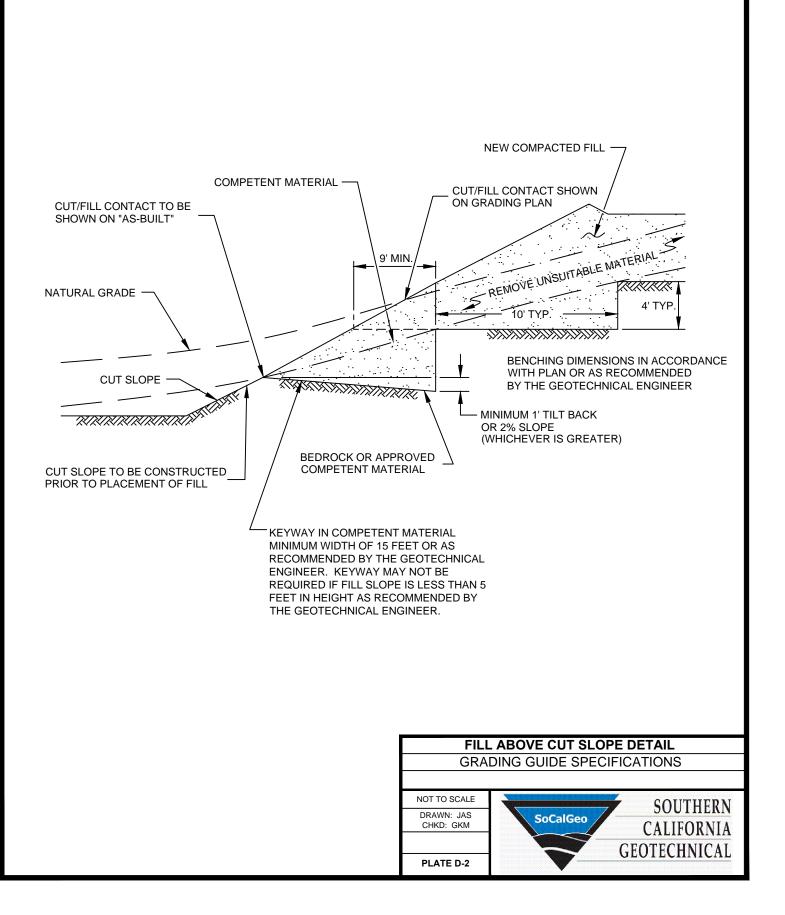
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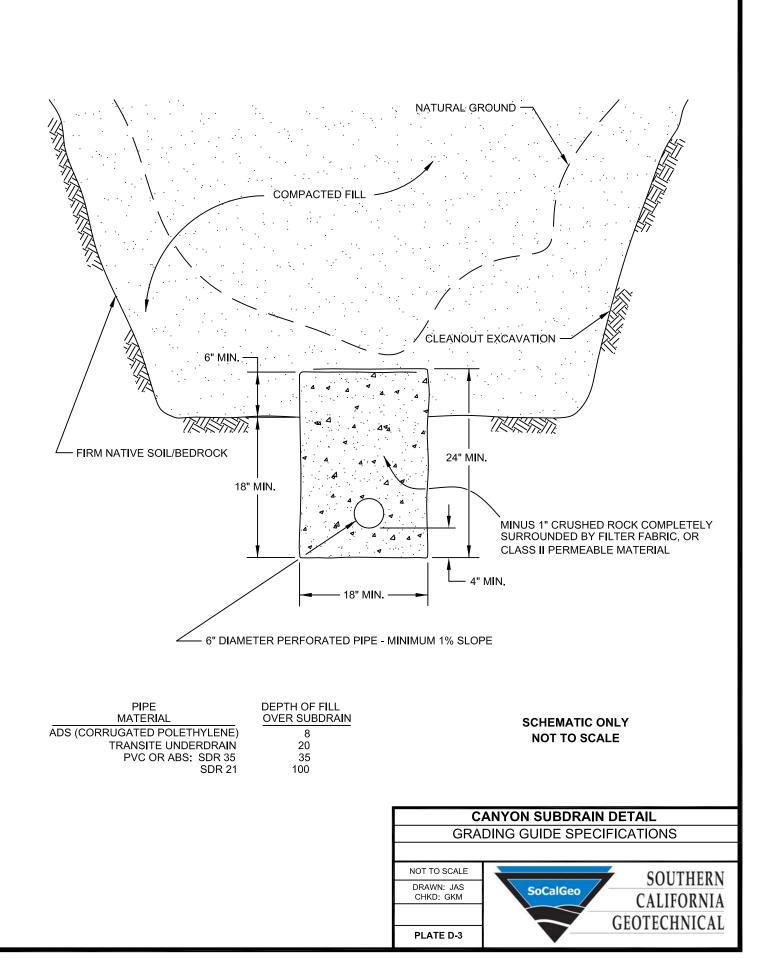
- All cut slopes should be inspected by the Geotechnical Engineer to determine the need for stabilization. The Earthwork Contractor should notify the Geotechnical Engineer when slope cutting is in progress at intervals of 10 vertical feet. Failure to notify may result in a delay in recommendations.
- 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.

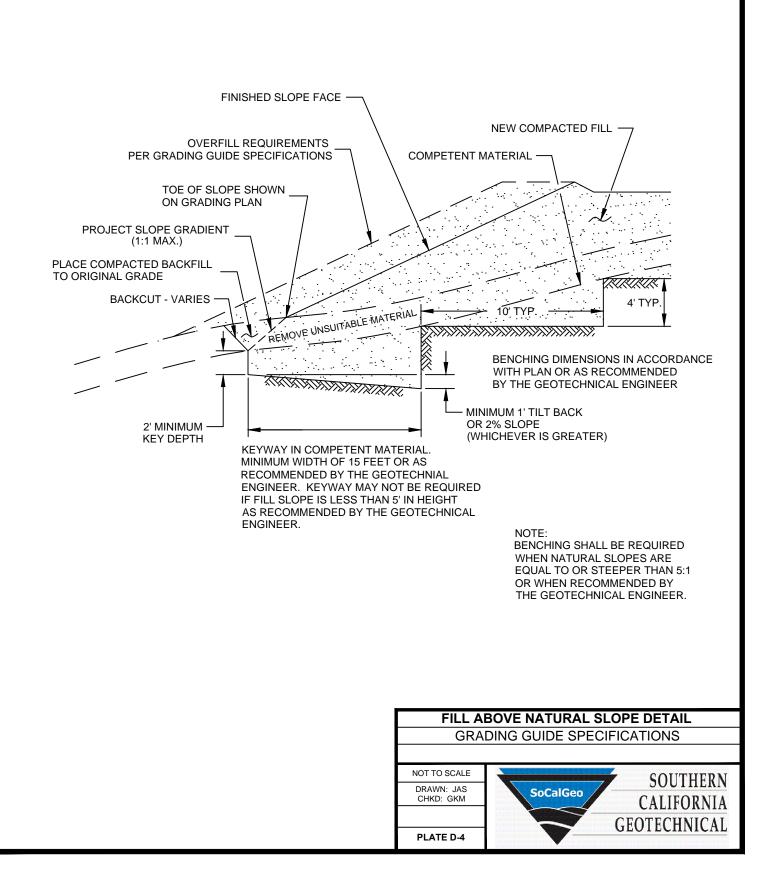
Subdrains

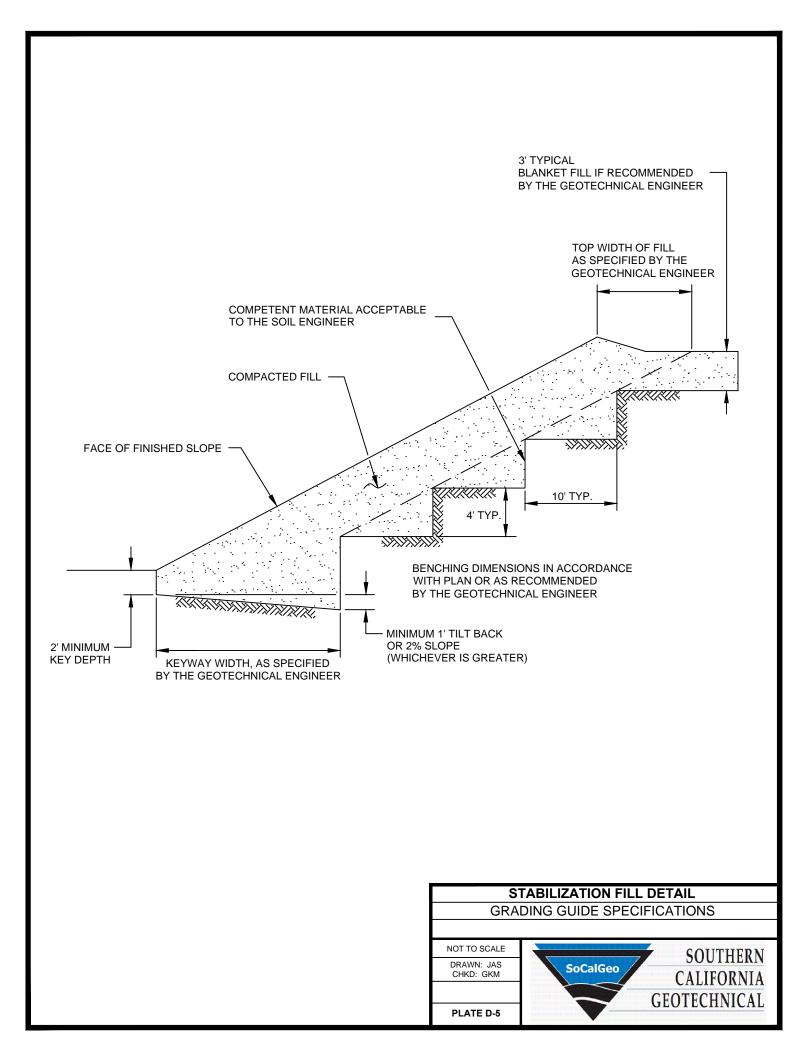
- Subdrains may be required in canyons and swales where fill placement is proposed. Typical subdrain details for canyons are shown on Plate D-3. Subdrains should be installed after approval of removals and before filling, as determined by the Soils Engineer.
- Plastic pipe may be used for subdrains provided 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 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.

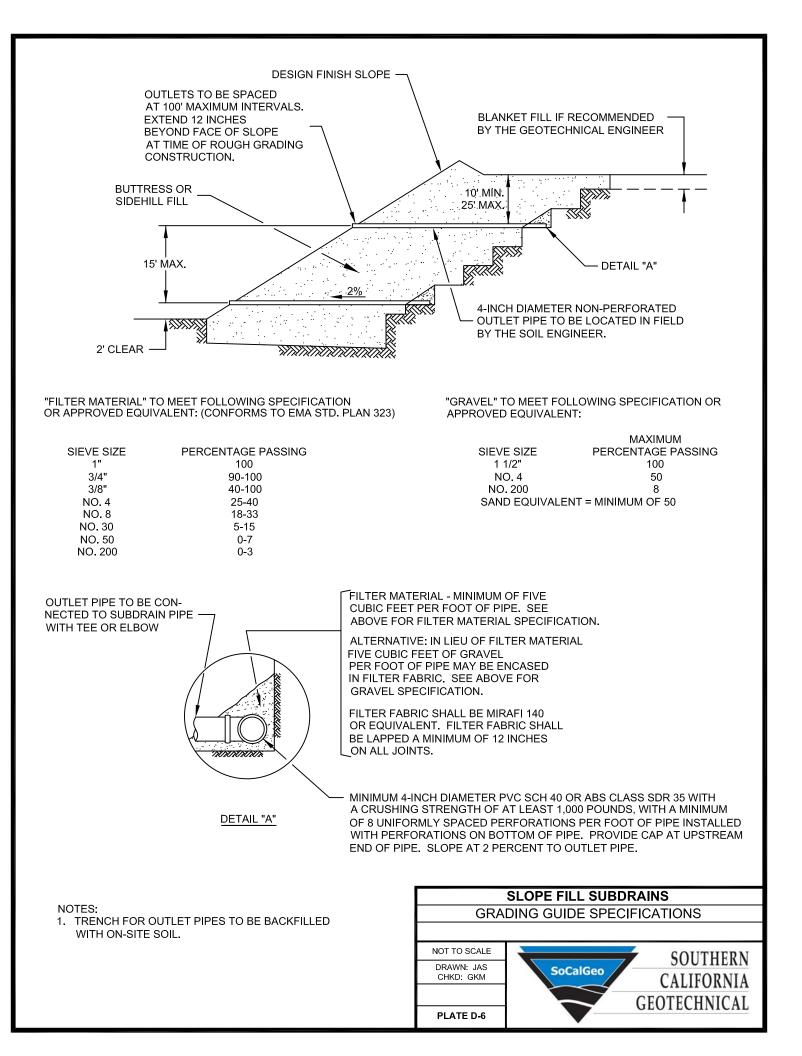


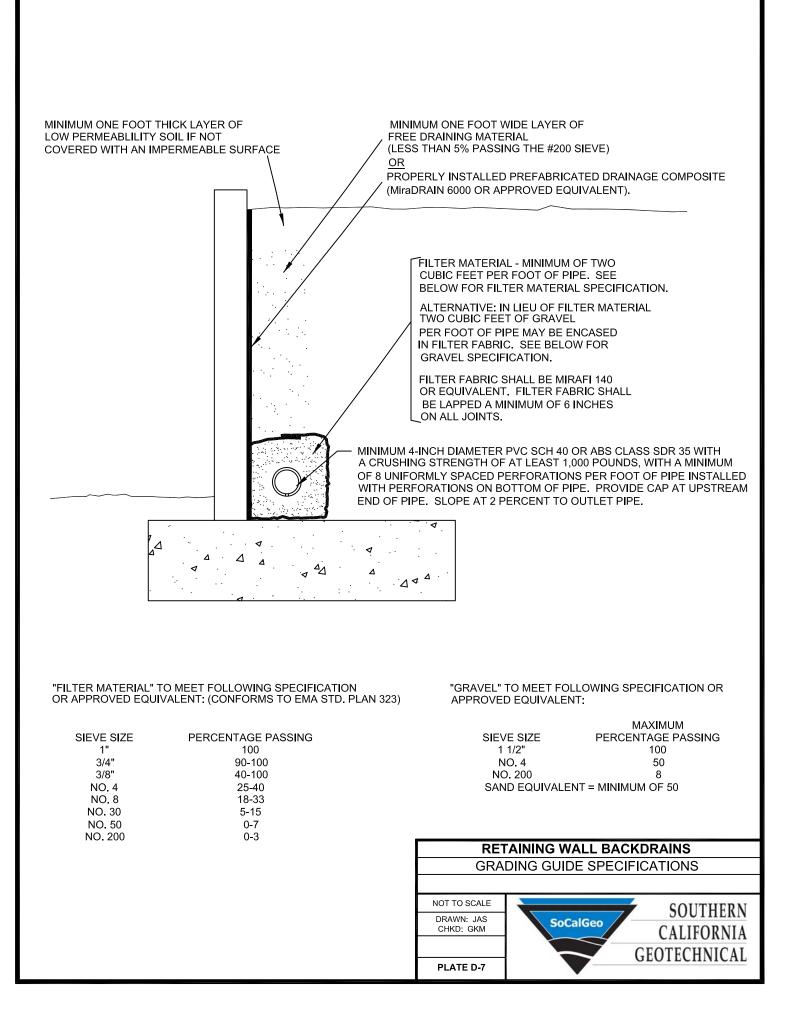


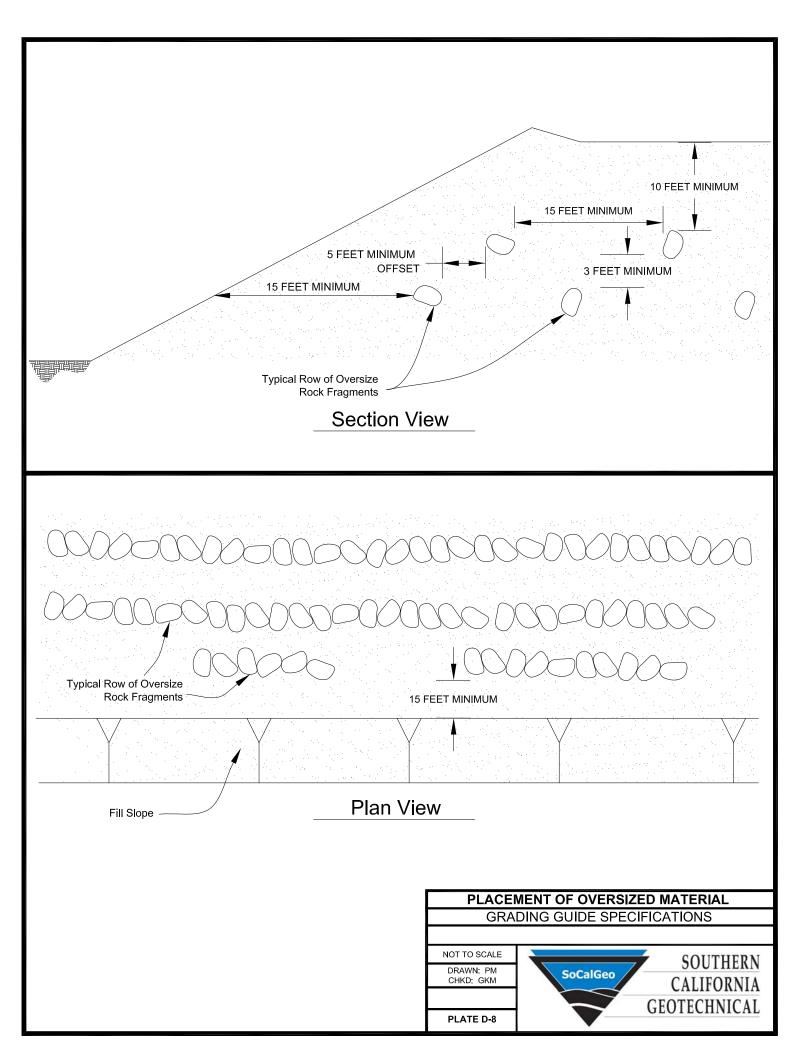












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S _{D1}	null -See Section 11.4.8		Numeric seismic design value at 1.0 second SA	
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v	null -See Section 11.4.8	Site amplification factor at 1.0 second		
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FPGA	1.1	Site amplification factor at PGA		
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SsD	2.397	Factored deterministic acceleration value. (0.2 second)		
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S1D	0.832	Factored deterministic acceleration value. (1.0 second)		
PGAd	0.978		Factored deterministic acceleration value. (Peak Ground Acceleration)	
PGA _{UH}	0.763	•	Uniform-hazard (2% probability of exceedance in 50 years) Peak Ground Acceleration	
C _{RS}	0.901	Mapped value of the risk coefficient at short periods		

SOURCE: SEAOC/OSHPD Seismic Design Maps Tool https://seismicmaps.org/>



PLATE E-1