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Attention: Mr. Tyler Portman

Subject: Geotechnical Investigation Proposed Industrial Development NWC Avenue M and Division Street APN's 3128-013-010 and 3128-013-011 Lancaster, California

References: See Appendix A

Dear Mr. Portman:

# 1. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

- a) In accordance with your request, we have conducted a geotechnical investigation for the proposed industrial development located in Lancaster, California.
- b) It is our understanding that the proposed development will include the construction of two 394,560-square-foot and 413,408-square-foot warehouse/office buildings on a 40-acre parcel of land. In addition, infiltration systems are planned to be installed for potential stormwater runoff.
- c) Grading and structural plans are not available at present. We are assuming that the existing grades will remain unchanged. We anticipate the loads from the proposed structures will not exceed 3 kip/ft for the continuous footings and 50 kips for the column footings.

# 2. <u>SCOPE</u>

The scope of services we provided was as follows:

a) Preliminary planning and evaluations, and review of geotechnical reports related to the project site and nearby surrounding area (*See References – Appendix A*);

- Excavation of fourteen (14) borings utilizing a hollow stem auger drill rig to a maximum depth of 25 feet below ground surface. Six of the borings (Borings P-1 through P-6) were drilled to depths ranging from 4 to 11 feet below ground surface for the purpose of percolation testing;
- c) Sampling and logging of subsurface materials encountered in the borings;
- d) Field percolation testing to determine the infiltration rate;
- e) Laboratory testing of samples representative of those obtained in the field, in order to evaluate relevant engineering properties;
- f) Engineering and geologic analyses of the field and laboratory data;
- g) Preparation of a report presenting our findings, conclusions and recommendations.

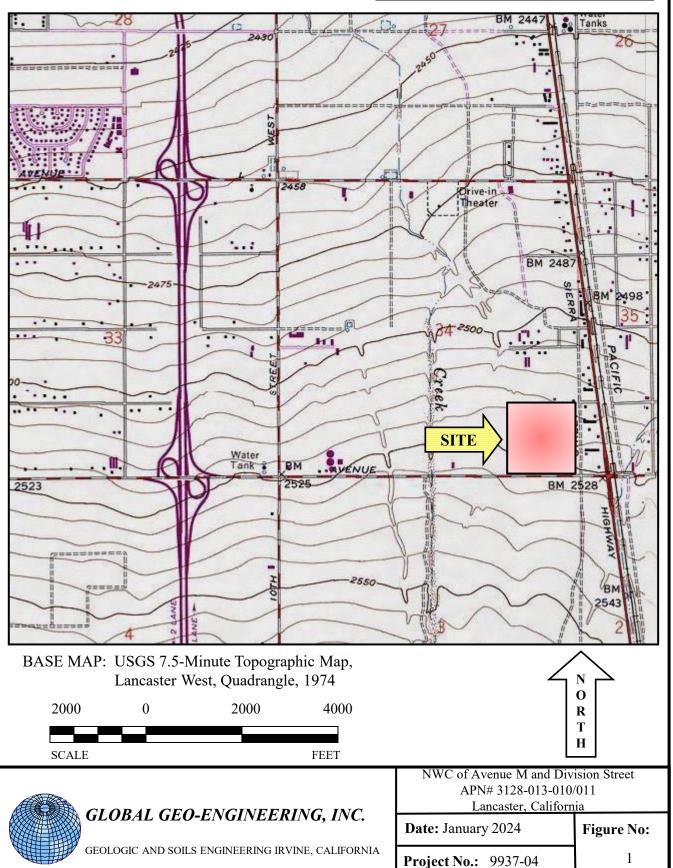
# 3. <u>FIELD EXPLORATION AND LABORATORY TESTING</u>

The field exploration program is given in *Appendix B*, which includes the Logs of Boring. The results of the laboratory testing are included in *Appendix C*.

# 4. <u>SITE DESCRIPTION</u>

- 4.1 <u>Location</u>
  - a) The project site is located at the northwestern corner of the intersection of Avenue M and Division Street in the city of Lancaster, California.
  - b) The approximate site location is shown on the *Location Map*, *Figure 1*.
- 4.2 <u>Existing Surface Conditions</u>
  - a) The subject property is currently vacant and void of any building structures.
  - b) The ground surface within the site area generally descends to the north at an approximate gradient of one percent.
  - c) Vegetation consists of a light to moderate growth of native brush. Shallow stockpiles of soils and debris are present throughout the site.
  - d) Surface drainage consists of sheet flow runoff of incident rainfall water derived primarily within the property boundaries and adjacent properties.

# **LOCATION MAP**



- 4.3 <u>Geology</u>
  - 4.3.1 Regional Geologic Setting
    - a) The project site is situated within the south-central portion of the Antelope Valley, which forms part of the Mojave Desert Geomorphic Province in Southern California. The prevailing geologic structure is comprised of a massive east-west trending fault-bounded wedge. The province consists of a vast array of geologic rock types and structure, including massive pre-Cambrian rock, severely folded and deformed metamorphic rock, and scattered meta-sedimentary rock, all deposited in separate basins.
    - b) The Mojave Desert province is both bounded and transected by several major fault zones. Principal bounding faults include the San Andreas Fault along the south and the Garlock Fault along the north.
  - 4.3.2 Local Geologic Setting

In general, the project site area is underlain by a thick sequence of Recentto Older-aged alluvial deposits, derived primarily from the erosional processes within the San Gabriel Mountains and other upland regions, situated southwest of the project site.

#### 4.4 <u>Subsurface Conditions</u>

- a) The subsurface conditions, as encountered in our explorations, are described in the following sections.
- b) More detailed descriptions of the subsurface conditions are presented in our *Logs of Borings*, which are enclosed as *Figures B-2* through *B-17* in *Appendix B*. The locations of the borings are shown on our *Boring Location Plan, Figure B-18*.
- 4.4.1 <u>Fill</u>
  - a) Approximately 12 inches of fill material were encountered in Boring B-4, which was drilled within the northeastern portion of the lot.
  - b) The fill exposed in our boring generally consisted of dry and loose Gravelly SAND with pieces of concrete.

## 4.4.2 <u>Alluvium</u>

- a) Alluvial deposits were encountered in all of our borings to the excavated depths.
- b) The alluvium was found to generally consist of layers of Silty SAND, SAND, Gravelly SAND, and Sandy SILT.
- c) The Silty SAND, SAND, and Gravelly SAND sediments were generally found to be fine- to coarse-grained, dry to slightly moist and loose to medium dense.
- d) The Sandy SILT deposits were found to be slightly moist to moist and medium stiff.
- e) The average Standard Penetration Test (SPT) blow count for the upper Silty SAND was 8 and for the underlying SAND was 17. The average relative compaction of the Silty SAND was 82 percent and for the SAND was 79 percent. Most significantly, the average moisture content of the Silty SAND was 3.3 percent and for the SAND was 2.3 percent considered to be very dry. In general, the subgrade soils under the present conditions are not considered suitable to support the structures without overexcavation.

## 4.4.3 <u>Groundwater</u>

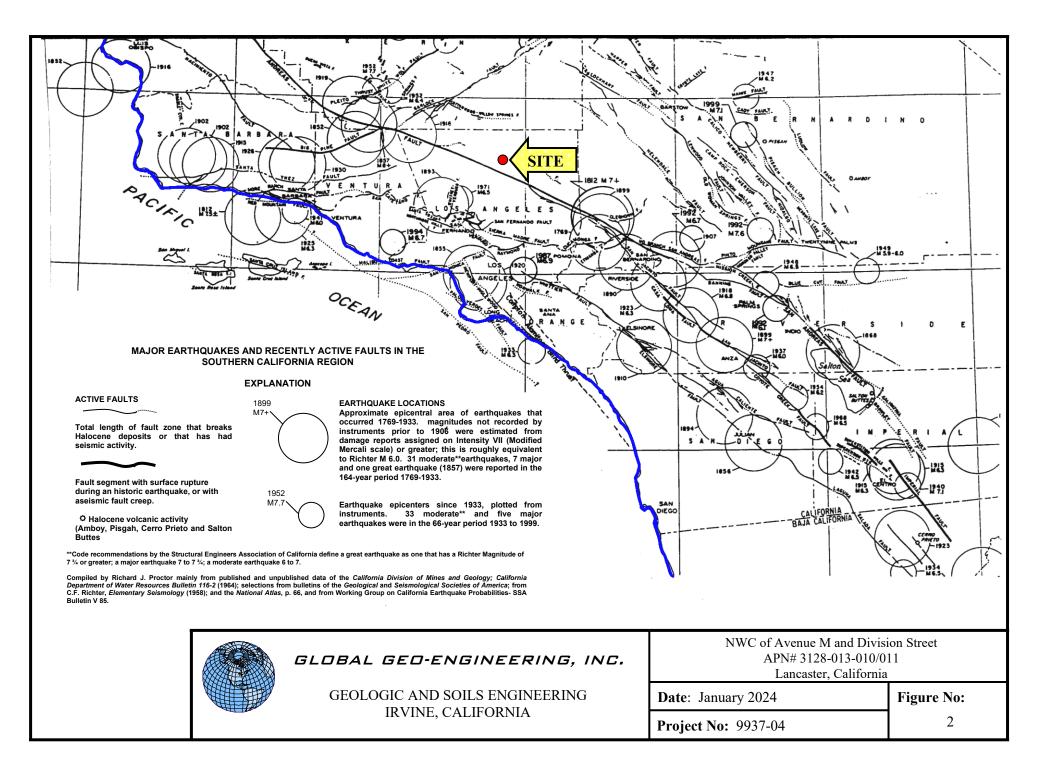
- a) No groundwater or seepage was encountered in any of our exploratory borings at the time of our investigation.
- b) The *California Department of Water Resources* internet website shows the closest well with the most recent data to be located approximately 300 feet north of the project site. Several measurements were recorded from this well during the period from January 1948 to November 1987. The ground water levels during this period were reported to range between 209 feet and 370 feet below ground surface.

# 5. <u>SEISMICITY</u>

- 5.1 <u>General</u>
  - a) The property is located in the general proximity of several active and potentially active faults, which are typical for sites in the Southern California region. Earthquakes occurring on active faults within a 70-mile radius are capable of generating ground shaking of engineering significance to the proposed construction.
  - b) In Southern California, most of the seismic damage to manmade structures results from ground shaking and, to a lesser degree, from liquefaction and ground rupture caused by earthquakes along active fault zones. In general, the greater the magnitude of the earthquake, greater is the potential damage.

# 5.2 Ground Surface Rupture

- a) The closest known active fault is the San Andreas Fault, located at a distance of 5.2 miles southwest of the project site. Other nearby active or potentially active faults include the Northridge Blind Thrust Fault and the Garlock Fault located at distances of about 27.2 and 32.6 miles, respectively, from the subject property.
- b) Due to the distance of the closest active fault to the site, ground rupture is not considered a significant hazard at the site.
- 5.3 Ground Shaking
  - a) We utilized the California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) Seismic Design Maps internet program to calculate the peak ground acceleration (PGA) at the project site location. Using the ASCE 7-16 standard and Site Class D, the PGA<sub>M</sub> at the subject property resulted to be 0.761g.
  - b) *Figure 2* shows the geographical relationships among the site locations, nearby faults and the epicenters of significant occurrences. The project site is not located within any State of California delineated Earthquake Fault Zone; however, during historic times, a number of major earthquakes have occurred along the active faults in Southern California. From the seismic history of the region and proximity, the San Andreas Fault has the greatest potential for causing earthquake damage related to ground shaking at this site.



#### 5.4 <u>Liquefaction</u>

Groundwater is anticipated to be deeper than 50 feet below existing ground surface. The potential for the liquefaction is considered to be low.

## 6. <u>CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

# 6.1 <u>General</u>

- a) It is our opinion that the site will be suitable for the proposed development, from a geotechnical aspect, assuming that our recommendations are implemented.
- b) We are of the opinion that the proposed structures can be supported on shallow spread footings founded in the existing competent soils.
- c) In our opinion, the proposed development will be safe against hazards from landslides settlement or slippage, provided the recommendations included in this report are implemented during the design and the construction. All grading and earthwork should be performed under the observation and testing firm to achieve proper subgrade preparation, selection of satisfactory materials, and placement and compaction of all structural fills.
- d) The final grading plans and foundation plans/design loads should be reviewed by the Geotechnical Engineer.
- e) The design recommendations in the report should be reviewed during the construction phase.
- 6.2 <u>Grading</u>

# 6.2.1 <u>Processing of On-Site Soils</u>

a) The existing native soils, in the present conditions, are not considered suitable for supporting the proposed structures. Therefore, to provide uniform support conditions and reduce the effects of the potential settlement, we recommend that the soils below the footings should be overexcavated to a depth equal to twice the footing width, but not to exceed 4 feet below the bottom of the footings. The overexcavation should extend laterally beyond the edges of the footings a distance equal to the depth of the overexcavation below the footing bottom.

- b) The subgrade soils below the proposed interior slab-on-grade should be overexcavated to a depth of three feet.
- c) The subgrade soils below the proposed exterior slab-on-grade and pavement should be overexcavated to a depth of one foot.
- d) Wherever structural fills are to be placed, the upper 18 inches to be overexcavated and the 6 to 8 inches of the exposed subgrade should be scarified.
- e) The underlying soils are very dry. In order to reduce the potential for hydroconsolidation, we recommend that the site after the overexcavation should be heavy watered for a period of at least one week prior to backfilling the overexcavation. The site should be watered before the sunrise for a period of two hours every day for a week. If the grading is during the summer months, the watering period may be extended to three hours.
- f) Wherever structural fills are to be placed, the upper 6 to 8 inches of the subgrade should, after stripping or overexcavation, first be scarified, reworked and wetted down thoroughly.
- g) Any loosening of reworked or native material, consequent to the passage of construction traffic, weathering, etc., should be made good prior to further construction.
- h) The depths of overexcavation should be reviewed by the Geotechnical Engineer during the actual construction. Any surface or subsurface obstructions, or questionable material encountered during grading should be brought immediately to the attention of the Geotechnical Engineer for proper exposure, removal or processing as directed. No underground obstructions or facilities should remain in any structural areas. Depressions and/or cavities created as a result of the removal of obstructions should be backfilled properly with suitable material, and compacted.

# 6.2.2 <u>Material Selection</u>

After the site has been stripped of any debris, vegetation and organic soils, excavated on-site soils are considered satisfactory for reuse in the construction of on-site fills, with the following provisions:

- a) Significant water will be required to be added to the existing soils;
- b) The organic content does not exceed 3 percent by volume;

- c) Large size rocks greater than 8 inches in diameter should not be incorporated in compacted fill;
- d) Rocks greater than 4 inches in diameter should not be incorporated in compacted fill to within one foot of the underside of the footings and slabs.

# 6.2.3 Compaction Requirements

- a) Reworking/compaction shall include moisture-conditioning as needed to bring the soils to slightly above the optimum moisture content. All reworked soils and structural fills should be densified to achieve at least 92 percent relative compaction with reference to laboratory compaction standard. The optimum moisture content and maximum dry density should be determined in the laboratory in accordance with ASTM Test Designation D1557.
- b) Fill should be compacted in lifts not exceeding 8 inches (loose).

# 6.2.4 Excavating Conditions

- a) Excavation of on-site materials may be accomplished with standard earthmoving or trenching equipment. No hard rock was encountered which will require blasting.
- b) No seepage or ground water was encountered in any of the borings drilled at the site. Dewatering is not anticipated.

## 6.2.5 Shrinkage

For preliminary earthwork calculation, an average shrinkage factor of approximately 10 percent is recommended for the soils (this does not include handling losses).

## 6.2.6 <u>Expansion Potential</u>

- a) Based upon our visual observations, the expansion potential for the on-site soils is considered to be *low*.
- b) Any imported material, or doubtful material exposed during grading, should be evaluated for its expansive properties.
- c) In any event, the subgrade soils should be tested for their expansion potential or during the final stages of grading.

- 6.2.7 Sulphate Content
  - a) The sulphate contents of representative samples of the soil are less than 0.1%. The sulphate exposure is considered to be *negligible*. Type II Portland cement is recommended for the construction.
  - b) The fill materials should be tested for their sulphate content during the final stage of rough grading.

# 6.2.8 <u>Utility Trenching</u>

- a) The walls of temporary construction trenches in fill should stand nearly vertical, with only minor sloughing, provided the total depth does not exceed 3 feet (approximately). Shoring of excavation walls or flattening of slopes may be required, if greater depths are necessary.
- b) Trenches should be located so as not to impair the bearing capacity or to cause settlement under foundations. As a guide, trenches should be clear of a 45-degree plane, extending outward and downward from the edge of foundations. Shoring should comply with Cal-OSHA regulations.
- c) Existing soils may be utilized for trenching backfill, provided they are free of organic materials.
- d) All work associated with trench shoring must conform to the state and federal safety codes.

## 6.2.9 <u>Surface Drainage Provisions</u>

Positive surface gradients should be provided adjacent to the buildings to direct surface water run-off away from structural foundations and to suitable discharge facilities.

## 6.2.10 Grading Control

All grading and earthwork should be performed under the observation of a Geotechnical Engineer in order to achieve proper subgrade preparation, selection of satisfactory materials, placement and compaction of all structural fill. Sufficient notification prior to stripping and earthwork construction is essential to make certain that the work will be adequately observed and tested.

#### 6.3 <u>Slab-on-Grade</u>

- a) Concrete floor slabs may be founded on the reworked existing soils or compacted fill.
- b) The slab should be underlain by four inches of SAND. A plastic vapor barrier is recommended to be placed at the mid-height of the SAND layer.
- c) It is recommended that #4 bars on 16-inch center, both ways, or equivalent be provided as minimum reinforcement in slabs-on-grade. Joints should be provided and slabs supporting no vehicular traffic should be at least 5 inches thick. Thicker warehouse slabs which will support heavy loads and forklift traffic will be required The structural engineer should design the slabs.
- d) The FFL should be at least 6 inches above highest adjacent grade.
- e) The subgrade soils should be kept moist prior to the concrete pour.

## 6.4 <u>Spread Foundations</u>

The proposed structures can be founded on shallow spread footings. The criteria presented as follows should be adopted:

|  | Minimum Width<br>(ft.) | Minimum Footing<br>Thickness<br>(in.) | Minimum Embedment<br>Below Lowest Finished Surfac<br>(ft.) |            |
|--|------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|------------|
| Equivalent 2-story<br>Wall Footing     | 1.0                    | 6                                     | Perimeter<br>Interior                                      | 2.0<br>1.5 |
| Square Column<br>Footings<br>To 50 kip | 2.0                    | 12                                    |  | 2.0        |

#### 6.4.1 Dimensions/Embedment Depths

# 6.4.2 <u>Allowable Bearing Capacity</u>

| Embedment Depth | Allowable Bearing Capacity |  |  |
|-----------------|----------------------------|--|--|
| (ft.)           | (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )      |  |  |
| 1.0             | 2,500                      |  |  |

(Notes:

• The allowable bearing capacity may be increased by 800 lb/ft<sup>2</sup> for each additional foot increase in the depth or by 300 lb/ft<sup>2</sup> he width to a maximum value of 5,000 lb/ft<sup>2</sup>;

- These values may be increased by one-third in the case of shortduration loads, such as induced by wind or seismic forces;
- At least 2x#4 bars should be provided in wall footings, one on top and one at the bottom;
- In the event that footings are founded in structural fills consisting of imported materials, the allowable bearing capacities will depend on the type of these materials, and should be re-evaluated;
- Bearing capacities should be re-evaluated when loads have been obtained and footings sized during the preliminary design;
- Planter areas should not be sited adjacent to walls;
- Footing excavations should be observed by the Geotechnical Engineer;
- Footing excavations should be kept moist prior to the concrete pour;
- It should be insured that the embedment depths do not become reduced or adversely affected by erosion, softening, planting, digging, etc.)
- 6.4.3 <u>Settlements</u>

Total and differential settlements under spread footings are expected to be within tolerable limits and are not expected to exceed 1 and  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches in a horizontal distance of 40 feet, respectively.

# 6.5 <u>Lateral Pressures</u>

a) The following lateral pressures are recommended for the design of retaining structures.

|  |              | Pressure (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> /ft depth) |                               |  |  |
|--|--------------|---|-------------------------------|--|--|
| Lateral Force                                | Soil Profile | Unrestrained Wall                       | <b>Rigidly Supported Wall</b> |  |  |
| Active Pressure                              | Level        | 34                                      | -                             |  |  |
| At-Rest Pressure                             | Level        | -                                       | 63                            |  |  |
| Passive Resistance<br>(ignore upper 1.5 ft.) | Level        | 350                                     | -                             |  |  |

- b) Friction coefficient: 0.40 (includes a Factor of Safety of 1.5). While combining friction with passive resistance, reduce passive by 1/3.
- c) These values apply to the existing soil, and to compacted backfill generated from in-situ material. Imported material should be evaluated separately. It is recommended that where feasible, imported granular backfill be utilized, for a width equal to approximately one-quarter the wall height, and not less than 1.5 feet.
- d) Backfill should be placed under engineering control.
- e) Subdrains comprised of 4-inch perforated SDR-35 or equivalent PVC pipe covered in a minimum of one cubic foot per linear foot of filter rock and wrapped in Mirafi 140N filter fabric should be provided behind retaining walls.

#### 6.6 <u>Seismic Coefficients</u>

For seismic analysis of the proposed project in accordance with the seismic provisions of ASCE 7-16, we recommend the following:

| ITEM  | VALUE     |
|---|-----------|
| Site Latitude (Decimal-degrees)   | 34.6479   |
| Site Longitude (Decimal-degrees)  | -118.1323 |
| Site Class  | D         |
| Risk Category   | II        |
| Mapped Spectral Response Acceleration-Short Period (0.2 Sec) - S <sub>S</sub> | 1.581     |
| Mapped Spectral Response Acceleration-1 Second Period – S <sub>1</sub>        | 0.651     |
| Short Period Site Coefficient-F <sub>a</sub>                                  | 1.0       |
| Long Period Site Coefficient $F_v$  | 1.7       |
| Adjusted Spectral Response Acceleration @ 0.2 Sec. Period (Sms)               | 1.581     |
| Adjusted Spectral Response Acceleration @ 1Sec.Period (Sm1)                   | 1.107     |
| Design Spectral Response Acceleration @ 0.2 Sec. Period (S <sub>Ds</sub> )    | 1.054     |
| Design Spectral Response Acceleration @ 1-Sec. Period (S <sub>D1</sub> )      | 0.738     |

## 6.7 <u>Pavement Design</u>

- 6.7.1 Asphalt Pavement Section
  - a) Based on Traffic Indices (T.I) and on the anticipated "R" Value of 42 of the subgrade, the following tentative structural pavement sections are recommended.

| Location                           | T.I.      | Asphaltic Concrete<br>(inches) | Aggregate Base<br>(inches) |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Parking and Driveways              | Up to 5.0 | 3                              | 4                          |
| Driveway<br>(light truck traffic)  | 6.0       | 3                              | 6                          |
| Driveway<br>(medium truck traffic0 | 7.0       | 4                              | 6.5                        |

b) The subgrade soils should be tested for R-Value at the conclusion of rough grading and the pavement sections should be finalized then.

## 6.7.2 Subgrade Preparation

Subgrade soils within the upper 12 inches of finished grade shall be moisture-conditioned where necessary, shall be compacted to at least 92 percent relative compaction per ASTM D1557, and shall be free of any loose or soft areas.

## 6.7.3 <u>Base Preparation</u>

Unless otherwise specified, the base shall consist of Class II <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch aggregate base or approved Crushed Miscellaneous Base. The base shall be compacted to a minimum of 95 percent relative compaction in accordance with the procedures described in ASTM Test Method D1557.

#### 6.7.4 Concrete Pavement

a) If proposed, the concrete pavement sections are recommended as follow:

| Location                           | T.I.      | Asphaltic Concrete<br>(inches) | Aggregate Base<br>(inches) |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Parking and Driveways              | Up to 5.0 | 4                              | 4                          |
| Driveway<br>(light truck traffic)  | 6.0       | 4                              | 4                          |
| Driveway<br>(medium truck traffic0 | 7.0       | 5.25                           | 4                          |

b) The sections should be reinforced with #3 bars on 18 inches center bothways or as recommended by the structural engineer.

# 6.8 <u>Corrosion Potential</u>

- a) Soil Corrosion potential for metal and concrete was estimated by performing water-soluble sulfate, chloride, pH, and electrical resistivity tests during this investigation.
- Electrical resistivity is a measure of soil resistance to the flow of corrosion currents. Corrosion currents are generally high in low resistivity soils. The electrical resistivity of a soil decreases primarily with an increase in its chemical and moisture contents. A commonly accepted correlation between electrical resistivity and corrosivity for buried ferrous metals is presented below:

| Electrical Resistivity, Ohm-cm | Corrosion Potential |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Less than 1,000                | Severe              |
| 1,000-2,000                    | Corrosive           |
| 2,000-10,000                   | Moderate            |
| Greater than 10,000            | Mild                |

- c) Results of electrical resistivity test indicate a minimum value of 10,684 ohm-cm for the near-surface soils. Based on this data, it is our opinion that, in general, on-site near-surface soils are considered *mildly corrosive* in nature. This potential should be considered in design of underground metal pipes.
- 6.9 <u>Percolation Study</u>
  - a) The subgrade soils throughout the site were determined to be very consistent. Two representative locations were selected for the shallow and deeper percolation testing, the study was conducted in Borings P-1 at 11 feet below grade and P-2 at 4 feet below grade.

- b) The holes were thoroughly pre-soaked for a period of 24 hours. The percolation testing was conducted on the next day following the pre-soak. From a fixed reference point, the drop in the water level was measured in 2-minute (for P-1) and 5 minutes (for P-2) intervals, refilling after every reading until at least 8 stable readings were recorded.
- c) Based on the drop in the water level in the last recording period of the test, the percolation rate was determined. The drops in the water during the last reading period were as follows.

| Boring No. | Final Drop Rate (inch) | Date              |
|------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| P-1        | 42                     | December 19, 2023 |
| P-2        | 16                     | December 19, 2023 |

d) The computed infiltration rates using a Porchet method were:

| Boring No. | Infiltration Rate (inch/hour) |  |  |
|------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| P-1        | 16.8                          |  |  |
| P-2        | 6.9                           |  |  |

e) These rates are calculated using a factor of safety of 1.0. Appropriate factor of safety should be utilized while designing the basin.

# 7. <u>LIMITATIONS</u>

- a) Soils and bedrock over an area show variations in geological structure, type, strength and other properties from what can be observed, sampled and tested from specimens extracted from necessarily limited exploratory borings. Therefore, there are natural limitations inherent in making geologic and soil engineering studies and analyses. Our findings, interpretations, analyses and recommendations are based on observation, laboratory data and our professional experience; and the projections we make are professional judgments conforming to the usual standards of the profession. No other warranty is herein expressed or implied.
- b) In the event that during construction, conditions are exposed which are significantly different from those described in this report, they should be brought to the attention of the Geotechnical Engineer.

- c) The recommendations included in this report are intended to minimize the potential of distress caused by the underlying soils. However, it should be noted that certain amount of cracking, uplifting and tilting of may be unavoidable and should be anticipated during the lifetime of the proposed structures.
- d) Other factors that should be considered with respect to the stability of temporary excavation sidewalls include construction traffic and storage of materials on or near the tops of the slopes, construction scheduling, and weather conditions at the time of construction. All applicable requirements of the California Construction and General Industry Safety Orders, the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, and the Construction Safety Act should also be followed. No temporary excavations should be left open without proper protections to mitigate safety hazards. The contractor is solely responsible for ensuring the safety of construction personnel and the general public, and for appointing a designated *Competent Person* to observe and classify temporary excavation sidewalls pursuant to OSHA Safety and Health Regulations for Construction.

The opportunity to be of service is sincerely appreciated. If you have any questions or if we can be of further assistance, please call.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures:

Location Map Seismicity Map References Field Exploration Unified Soils Classification System Logs of Borings Boring Location Plan Laboratory Testing Kevin B. Young Principal Engineering Geologist CEG 2253 (Exp. October 31, 2025)

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## APPENDIX A

# **References**

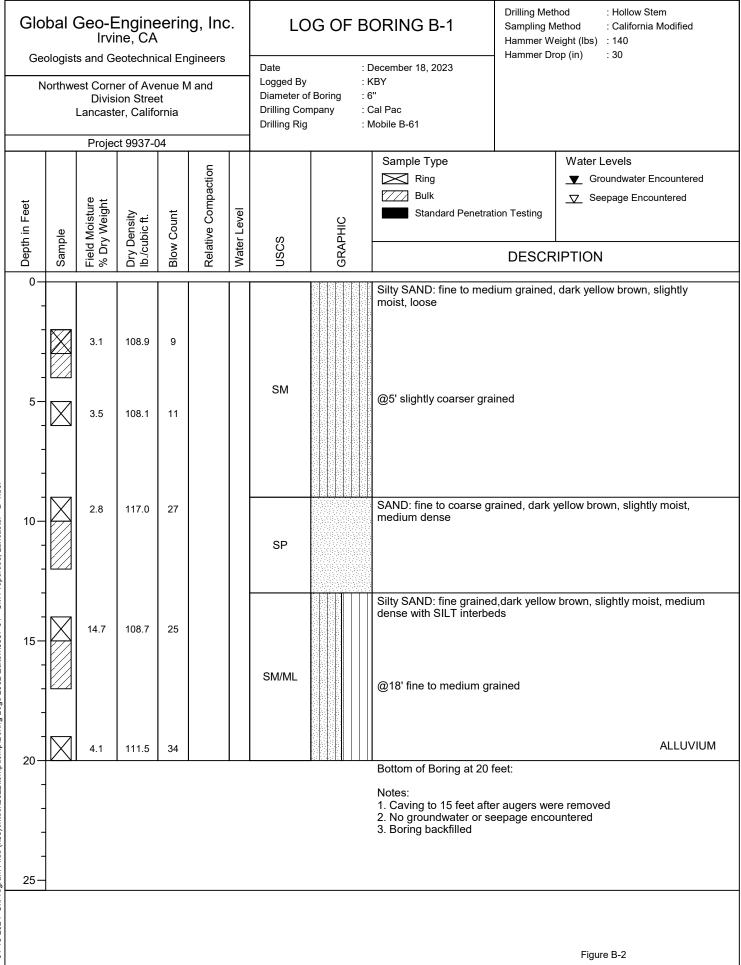
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#### **APPENDIX B**

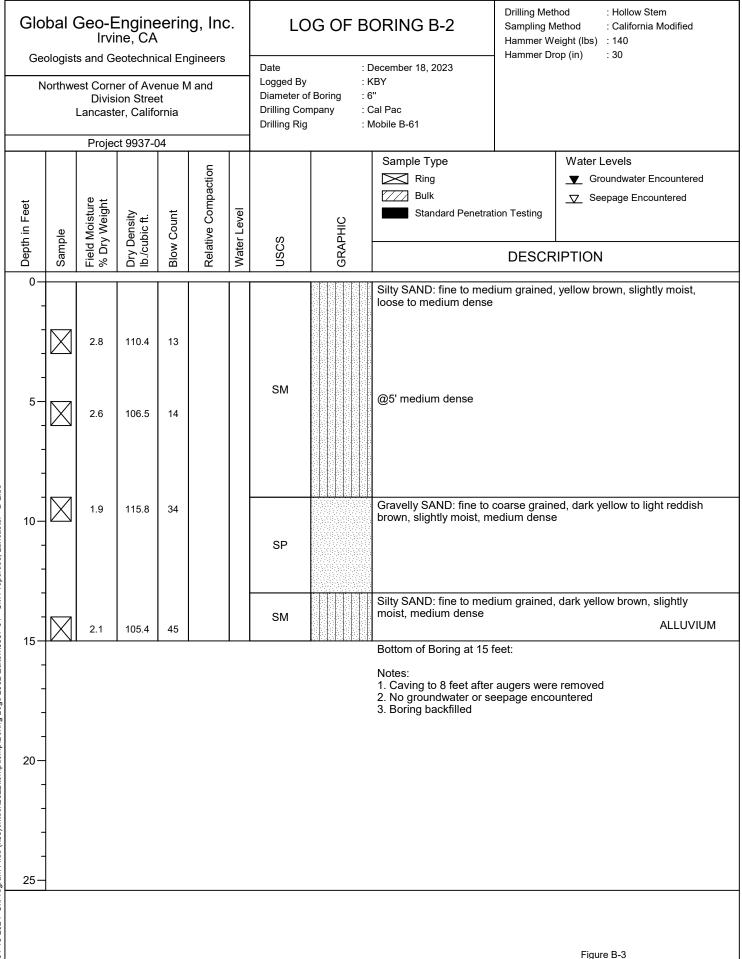
#### **Field Exploration**

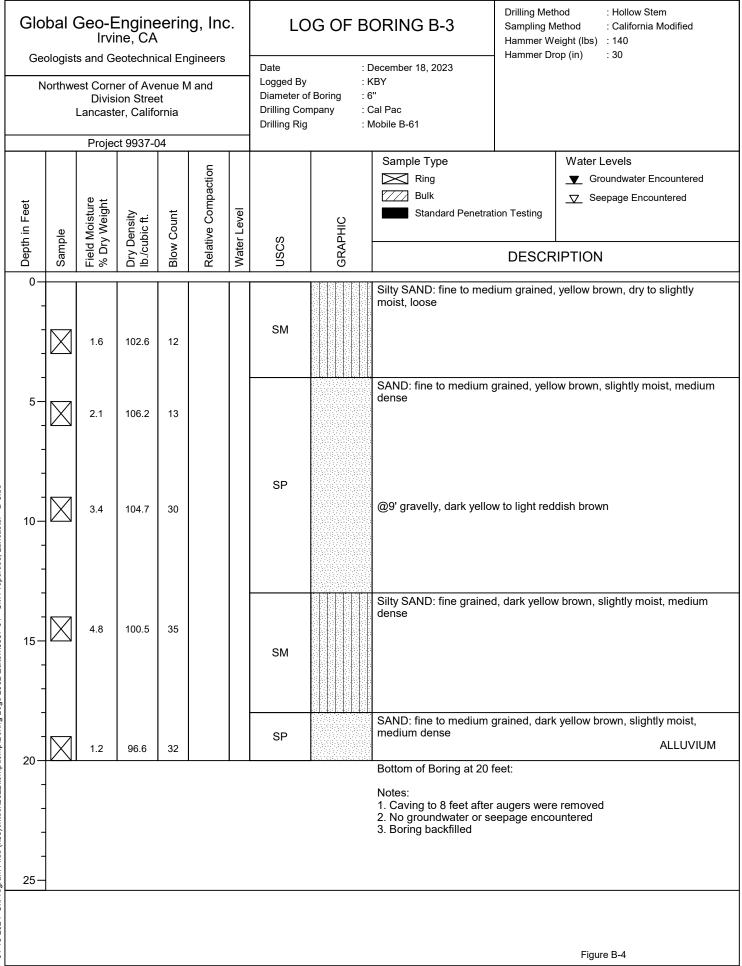
- a) The site was explored on December 18, 2023, utilizing a B-61 Mobile hollow stem drill rig to excavate sixteen borings to a maximum depth of 25 feet below the existing ground surface. Eight of the borings were subsequently backfilled with the drill cuttings. Threeinch diameter perforated pipe with gravel rock encasement was installed in Borings P-1 through P-6 for the purpose of percolation testing
- b) The soils encountered in the excavations were logged and sampled by our Engineering Geologist. The soils were classified in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System described in *Figure B-1*. The Logs of Boring are presented in *Figures B-2 through B-17*. The approximate locations of the borings are shown on the *Boring Location Plan, Figure B-18*. The logs, as presented, are based on the field logs, modified as required from the results of the laboratory tests. Driven ring and bulk samples were obtained from the excavations for laboratory inspection and testing. The depths at which the samples were obtained are indicated on the logs.
- c) The number of blows of the driving weight during sampling was recorded, together with the depth of penetration, the driving weight and the height of fall. The blows required per foot of penetration for given samples was then calculated and shown on the logs.
- d) Groundwater was not encountered in any of our borings excavated on-site.
- e) Caving occurred in all of the borings to the depths noted on the logs.

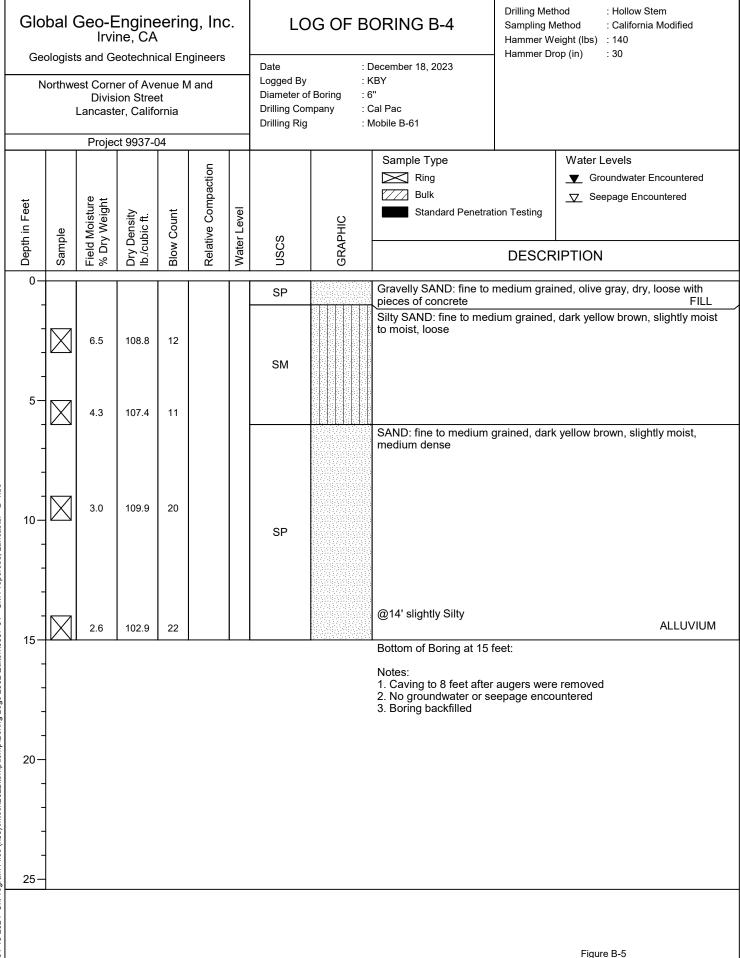
|  |   | UNIFIED S                             | DILS   | CLASSIF   |             | ON (A  | ASTM            | D-2487  | )         |  |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|--------|---|-------------|--|-----------------|---|-----------|--|
| PF   | RIMARY DIVIS  | SION                                  | G      | ROUP SYMBO  | ЭL          |  | SE              | CONDAR  | Y DIVI    | SIONS  |
| ~  | er If   | Clean                                 | GW     |   |             | Well   | graded gra      | ivels, gravel-s   | and mi    | xture, little or no fines  |
| OILS<br>lls is<br>ize  | ELS<br>n ha<br>rse<br>larg  | Gravels<br>(<5% fines)                | GP     |   |             | Poorly g   | graded grav     | vels or gravel  | -sand m   | nixtures, little or no fines   |
| :D S(<br>ateria<br>eve s   | GRAVELS<br>More than half<br>of coarse<br>fraction is larger<br>than #4 sieve                   | Gravel with                           | GM     |   |             | Silty  | gravels, gi     | ravel-sand-sil  | t mixtur  | e. Non-plastic fines.  |
| COARSE GRAINED SOILS<br>More than half of materials is<br>larger than #200 sieve size<br>SANDS<br>ore than half<br>More than hal<br>of coarse<br>fraction is fraction is large<br>than #4 sieve  | Mo<br>Mo<br>fract   | Fines                                 |        | GC  |             | Clay   | yey gravels     | , gravel-sand   | -clay m   | ixtures. Plastic fines   |
| n halt<br>an #1  | alf<br>s<br>an  | Clean Sands                           |        | SW  |             | Well-g   | graded grav     | /els, gravel-sa   | and mix   | tures, little or no fines.   |
| ARSE<br>e tha<br>ger th  | SANDS<br>More than half<br>of coarse<br>fraction is<br>smaller than<br>#4 sieve                 | (<5% fines)                           |        | SP  |             | Poo  | rly graded      | sands or grav   | /elly sar | nds, little or no fines.   |
| ar Mo  | SA<br>ore t<br>of c<br>frac<br>mall   |                                       |        | SM  |             | 5  | Silty sands,    | , sand-silt mix   | tures. N  | Non-Plastic fines.   |
| U  | s M   | Fines                                 |        | SC  |             |  | Clayey san      | nds, sand-clay  | / mixtur  | es. Plastic fines.   |
| s e  | 9.0   | MIT<br>HAN                            |        | ML  |             | Inorgani   |                 | very fine sand<br>or clayey silts,  |           | flour, silty or clayey fine<br>ight plasticity                                 |
| )ILS<br>erial i<br>ve siz  | SILTS AND<br>CLAYS  | S LESS THAN<br>50                     |        | CL  |             | Inorgani   | c clays of lo   |   | n plastic | ity, gravelly clays, sandy   |
| D SC<br><sup>:</sup> mat   | SIC   | L IS LE                               |        | OL  |             | O  |                 |   |           | /s of low plasticity.  |
| FINE GRAINED SOILS<br>ore than half of material<br>aller than #200 sieve si  | <u>ج</u>  | MIT<br>50<br>50                       |        | MH  |             | Inorgar  | nic silts, mi   | caceous or di<br>soils, ela   |           | eous fine sandy or silty   |
| E GR/<br>nan h<br>· than   | SILTS AND<br>CLAYS  | LIQUID LIMIT<br>IS GREATER<br>THAN 50 |        | СН  |             |  | Inorgan         | ic clays of hig   | jh plasti | city, fat clays  |
| FINE GRAINED SOILS<br>More than half of material is<br>smaller than #200 sieve size  | SIL   |                                       |        | ОН  |             | Orga   | anic clays o    | of medium to  | high pla  | asticity, organic silts.   |
| Z LS   | Highly Or   | ganic Soils                           |        | PT  |             |  | Peat            | and other hig   | ghly org  | anic soils.  |
|  |   | CL                                    | ASSIF  | ICATION BAS   | SED ON      | FIELD 1  | TESTS           |   |           |  |
| Relativ  | PENETRATION RESISTANCE (PR)         Sands and Gravels         Relative Density       Blows/foot |                                       |        | Consistency<br>Very Soft  |             | ws/foot*         Strength**         falling 30 inches<br>(1 3/8 in. I.D.) S<br>(ASTM-1568 St |                 | lows of 140 lb hammer<br>ss to drive a 2-inch O.D.<br>Split Barrel sampler<br>tandard Penetration Test) |           |  |
|  | ry loose  | 0-4                                   |        | Soft<br>Firm  |             | 2-4<br>4-8   | 1/4-1/<br>1/2-1 |   |           |  |
|  | .oose<br>um Dense   | 4-10<br>10-30                         |        | Stiff   |             | +-o<br>-15   | /2-1            | • **Uno   |           | Compressive strength ir  |
|  | Dense   | 30-50                                 |        | Very Stiff  | 1           | 15-302-4tons/sq. ft.   |                 |   |           |  |
| Very   | y Dense   | Over 50                               |        | Hard  | Ov          | er 30  | Over            | - 4   |           |  |
|  |   | CLASS                                 | IFICAT | TION CRITER   | IA BASE     | D ON L   | AB TES          | тѕ  |           |  |
| 60<br>50<br>50<br>40<br>Tough  | arise arole at equal liquid limit   |                                       | be     | N and SW – C <sub>u</sub> =<br>tween 1 and 3<br>P and SP – Clea | -           |  |                 |   |           | = (D <sub>30</sub> ) <sup>2</sup> /D <sub>10</sub> x D <sub>60</sub><br>and SW |
| Xi         1           Yi         1 | sing plasticity index   | ~~                                    | G      | VI and SM – Atte  | rhera limit | helow "A'  | " line or P     | Lless than 4  | L         |  |
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| 10<br>0  | OL<br>Or<br>ML<br>ML  |                                       | G      | C and SC – Atter  | rberg limit | above "A"  | iine P.I. g     | reater than 7   | ,         |  |
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|  |   | Fine Sand Mediur                      | n Sand | Coarse Sand   | Fine Grave  | el Coar  | rse Gravel      | Cobbles Bo  | oulders   | ]  |
| Sieve Siz  | es 200  | 40                                    | 10     | 4   |             | <sup>3</sup> /4"   | 3"              | 10"   |           | ]  |
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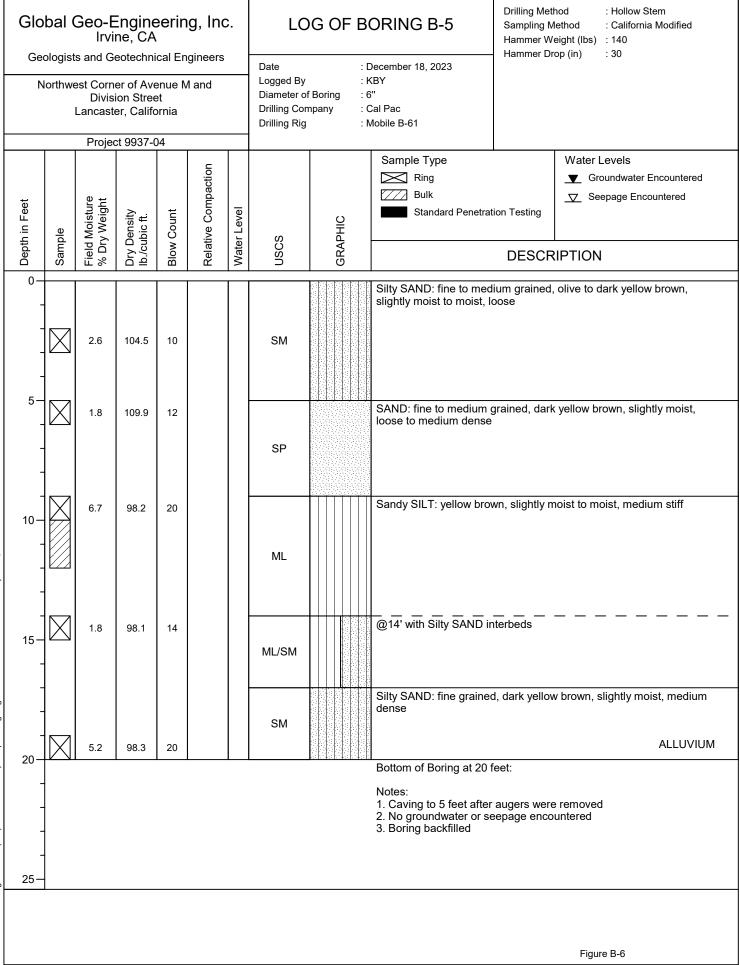


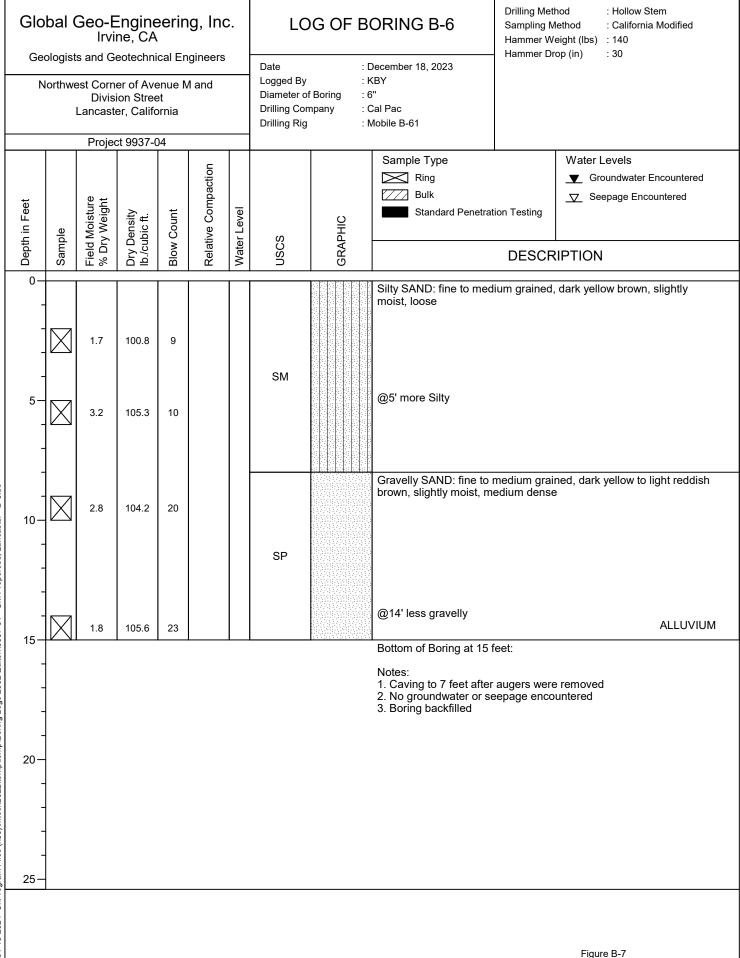
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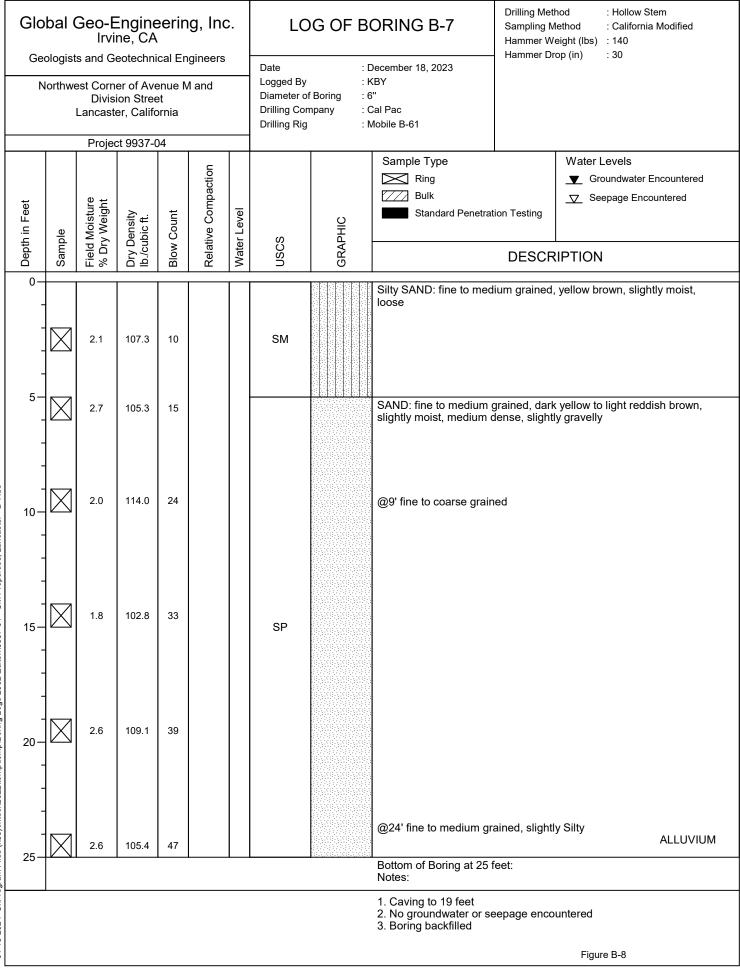




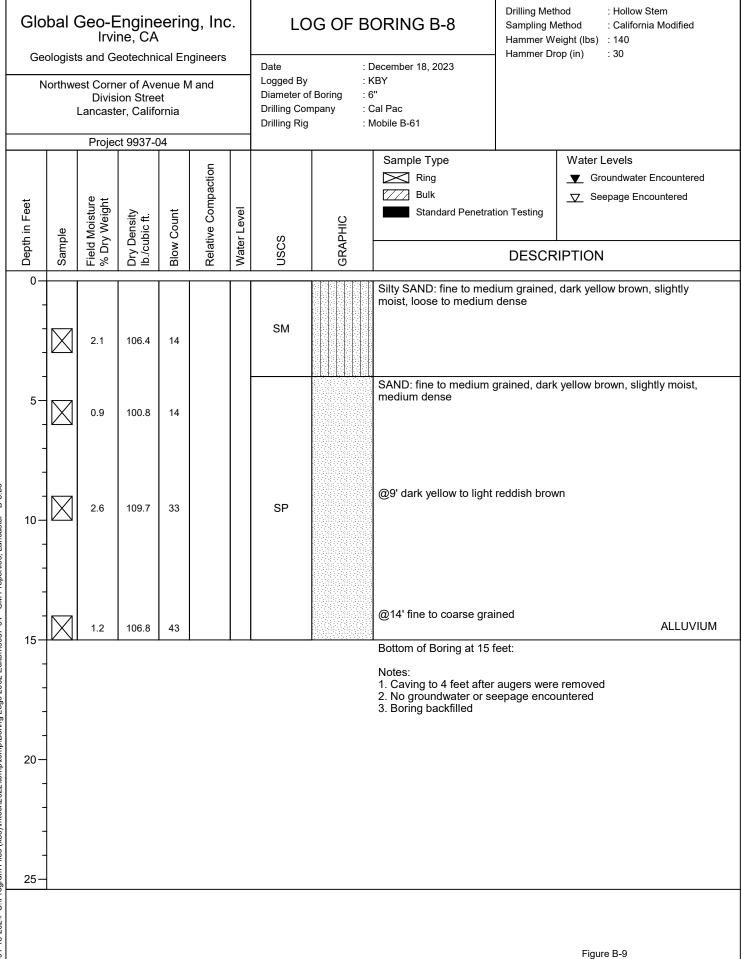


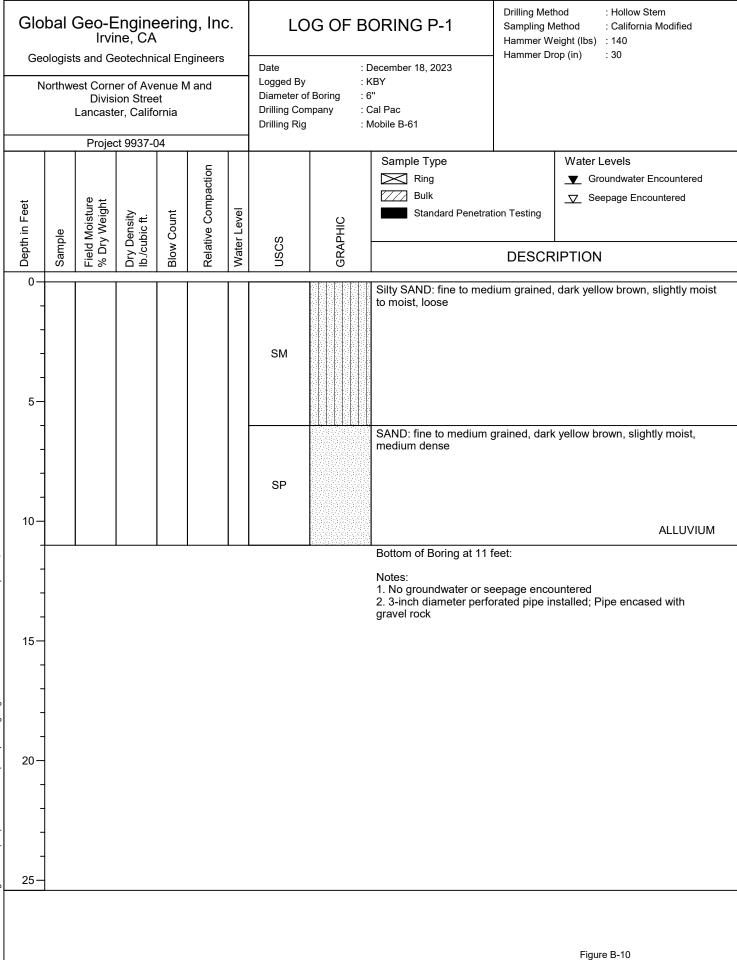




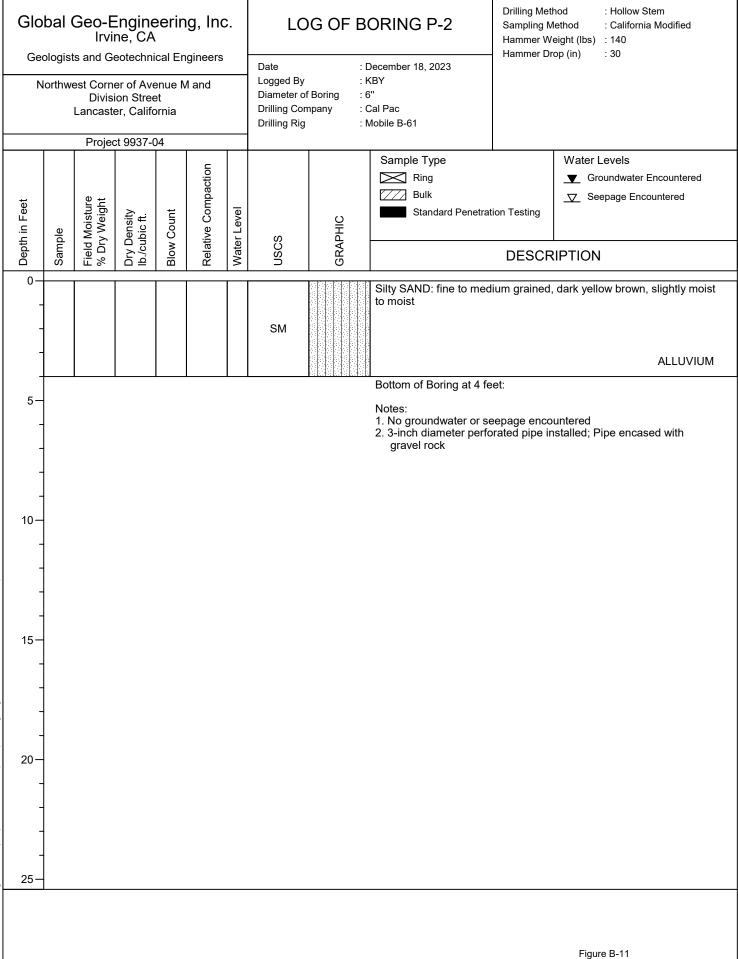


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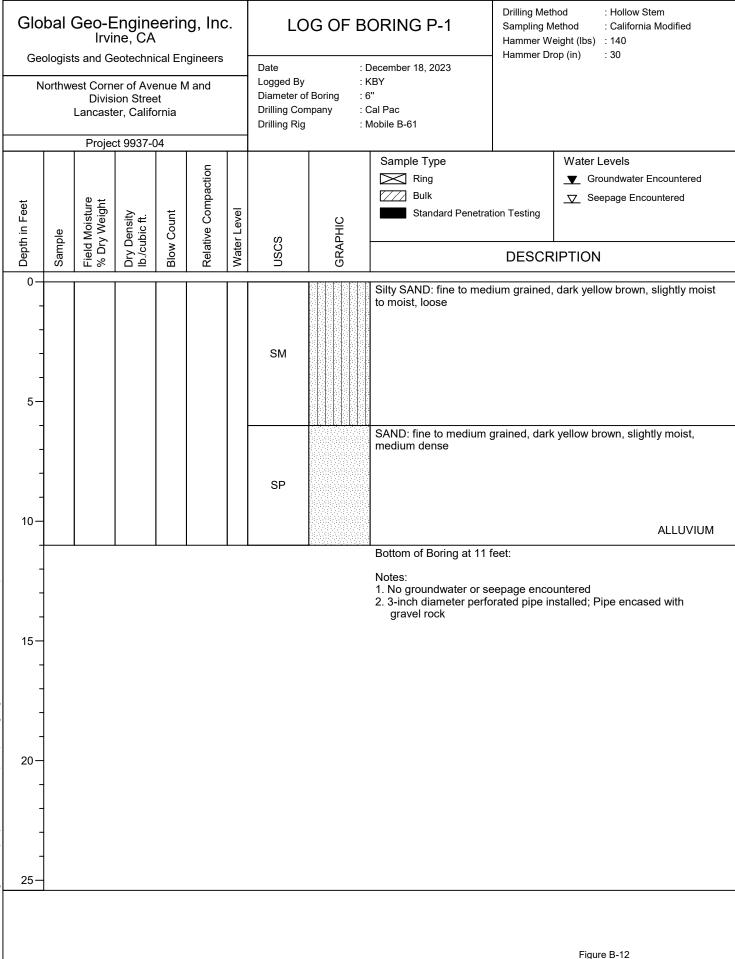




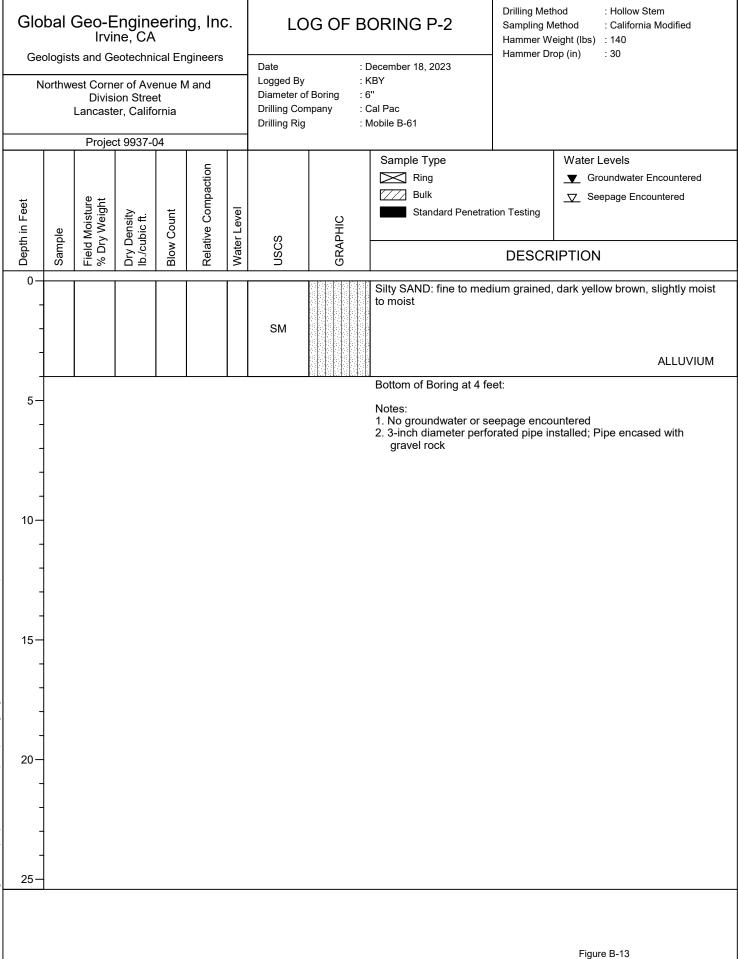
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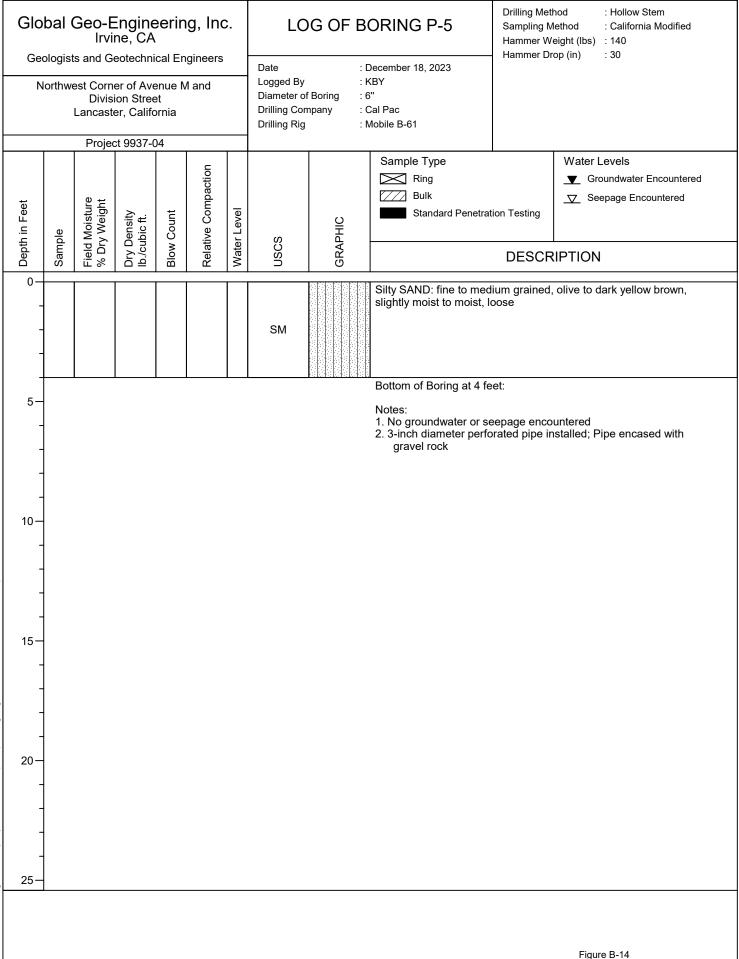
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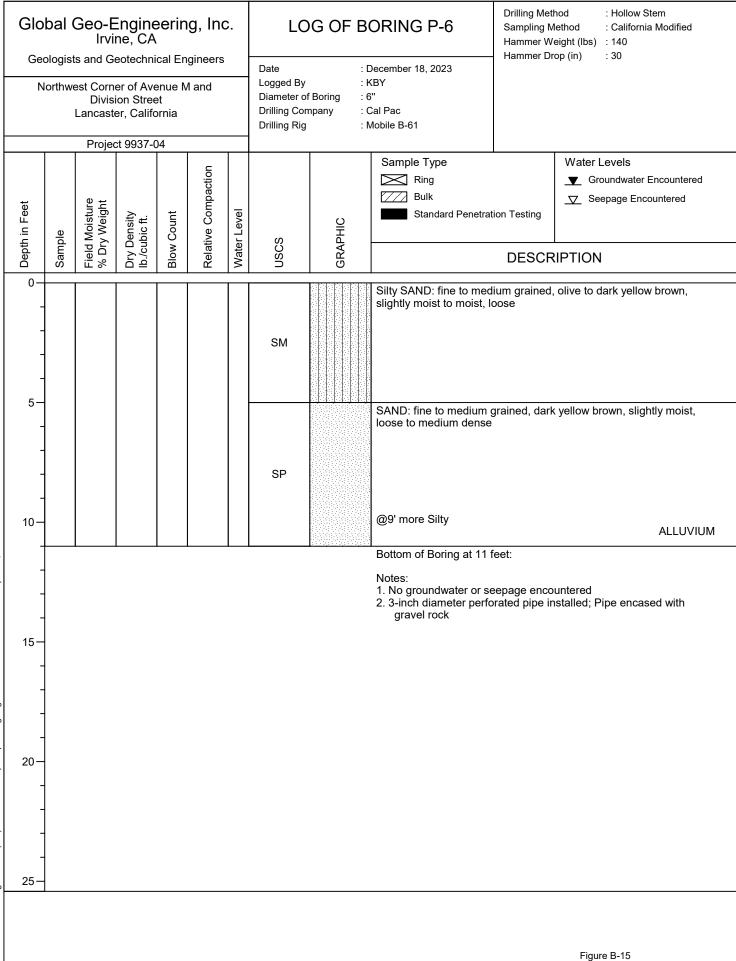
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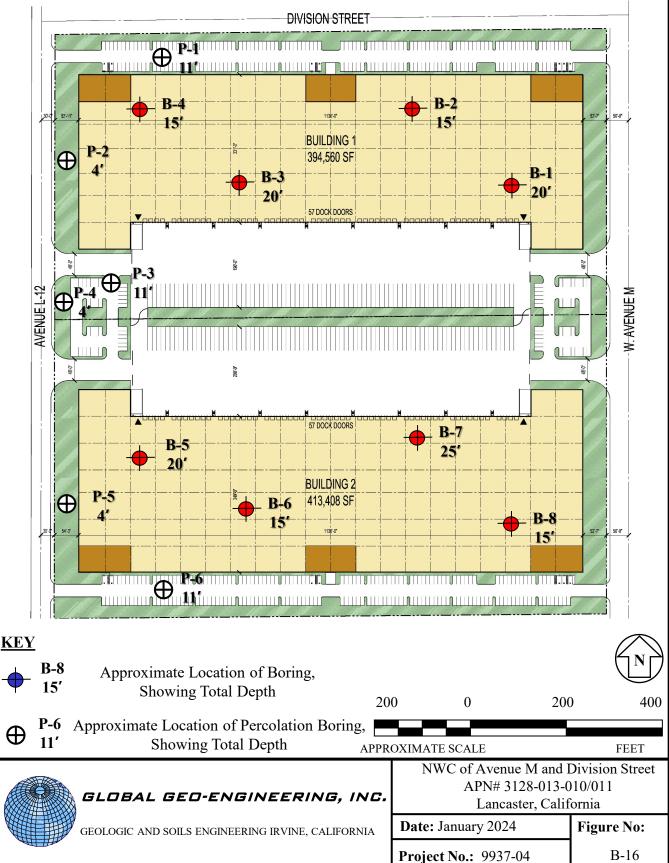


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#### **APPENDIX C**

#### **Laboratory Testing Program**

The laboratory-testing program was directed towards providing quantitative data relating to the relevant engineering properties of the soils. Samples considered representative of site conditions were tested as described below.

#### a) <u>Moisture and Density</u>

Moisture-density information usually provides a gross indication of soil consistency. Local variations at the time of the investigation can be delineated, and a correlation obtained between soils found on this site and nearby sites. The dry unit weights and field moisture contents were determined for selected samples. The results are shown on the Logs of Borings.

#### b) <u>Compaction</u>

Representative soil samples were tested in the laboratory to determine the maximum dry density and optimum moisture content, using the ASTM D1557 compaction test method. This test procedure requires 25 blows of a 10-pound hammer falling a height of 18 inches on each of five layers, in a 1/30 cubic foot cylinder. The results of the test are presented below.

| Boring No. | Sample Depth<br>(ft.) | Soil Description | Optimum<br>Moisture<br>Content<br>(%) | Maximum<br>Dry Density<br>(lb/ft <sup>3</sup> ) |
|------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| B-1        | 1-3                   | Silty SAND       | 8.0                                   | 130.0   |
| B-1        | 10-12                 | SAND             | 7.0                                   | 134.2   |

#### c) <u>Direct Shear</u>

Direct shear tests were made on remolded and relatively undisturbed soil samples, using a direct shear machine at a constant rate of strain. Variable normal or confining loads are applied vertically and the soil shear strengths are obtained at these loads. The angle of internal friction and the cohesion are then evaluated. The samples were tested at saturated moisture contents. The results are shown below in terms of the Coulomb shear strength parameters.

| Boring<br>No. | Sample Depth<br>(ft) |                          |            | Angle of<br>Internal Friction<br>(°) | Peak/Residual    |
|---------------|----------------------|--------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| B-1           | 1-3                  | Silty SAND<br>(Remolded) | 250<br>150 | 31<br>31                             | Peak<br>Ultimate |
| В-5           | 5-6                  | SAND<br>(Undisturbed)    | 100<br>100 | 30<br>29                             | Peak<br>Ultimate |

#### d) <u>Sulfate Content</u>

Representative soil samples were analyzed for its sulphate content. The results are given below:

| Boring No. | Sample Depth<br>(ft.) | Soil Description | Sulphate Content<br>(%) |
|------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| B-1        | 1-3                   | Silty SAND       | 0.0015                  |
| В-2        | 2-3                   | Silty SAND       | 0.0029                  |

## e) <u>Chloride Content</u>

Representative soil samples were analyzed for chloride content in accordance with California Test Method CA422. The result is given on the following page:

| Boring No. | Sample Depth<br>(ft) | Soil<br>Description | Chloride Content<br>(%) |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| B-1        | 1-3                  | Silty SAND          | 0.0016                  |
| B-1        | 2-3                  | Silty SAND          | 0.0018                  |

# f) <u>Resistivity and pH</u>

Representative soil samples were analyzed in accordance with California Test Methods CA532 and CA643 to determine the minimum resistivity and pH. The result is provided below:

| Boring No. | Sample Depth<br>(ft) | Soil<br>Description | рН  | Minimum<br>Resistivity<br>(Ohm-cm) |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----|------------------------------------|
| B-1        | 1-3                  | Silty SAND          | 7.3 | 23,036                             |
| В-2        | 2-3                  | Silty SAND          | 7.9 | 10,684                             |