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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Stantec Consulting Ltd. (Stantec) was retained by Parks Canada Agency (Parks Canada) to conduct a geotechnical investigation for a proposed new operations center at the Lake Louise Campground. The geotechnical investigation was carried out in general accordance with our proposal dated September 18, 2017. Authorization to proceed was received on September 19, 2017. The purpose of the investigation was to obtain subsurface soil and groundwater information, and provide geotechnical recommendations for the design and construction of the proposed new development.

The scope of work for this investigation included the following:

- Conduct a field drilling program to identify existing subsurface soil and groundwater conditions within the proposed development footprint.
- Prepare a report presenting the findings of the field and laboratory testing programs, and provide recommendations pertaining to the geotechnical engineering aspects of project design and construction.

1.1 SITE AND GEOLOGY

The proposed development is located within the Lake Louise Campground, Alberta in the NW¹/₄ (LSD 14) of 22-28-16 W5M (see Figure 1 in **Appendix B**). At the time of the field investigation, the development footprint consisted of a moderately treed area with some stumps and shrubs. The proposed development is bounded by an existing trailer dumping area to the south, RV campgrounds to the west, and a railway to the east. Existing asphalt surfaced roads surround the development and provide access to both the campgrounds and the proposed new operations center. The topography was generally noted to be relatively flat with minor elevation changes and depressions along the ground surface.

Based on published surficial geology information¹, the native subsurface soils at the site were expected to include a fluvial deposit consisting of poorly to well sorted sand and gravel.

¹ Fenton, M./M., et al. (2013), Surficial Geology of Alberta; Energy Resources Conservation Board

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1.2 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

It is understood that the proposed development will consist of a new one story high operations center building not exceeding 30 m by 30 m in footprint size. It is understood that no underground structures are currently being considered for the development and that shallow footings are the preferred foundation option. The building will include a garage for equipment storage; shop and work area; supplies storage; offices; lunch room; and washroom facilities. At the time of preparing this report, no additional information regarding the proposed development such as proposed foundation loads, grading plans, or drawings were available for review and consideration. We have assumed that there are no significant (>1 m) grade raises planned as part of the development.

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2.0 METHOD OF INVESTIGATION

2.1 FIELD INVESTIGATION

Prior to the start of the field investigation, Stantec personnel made arrangements to verify the locations of underground utilities at and near the proposed borehole location. One (1) borehole was advanced within the development footprint to a depth of 9.2 m below existing ground surface. The investigation was carried out on October 25, 2017 using a track-mounted, Overburden Drilling with Eccentric Drilling (ODEX) rig owned and operated by All Service Drilling Inc. of Airdrie, Alberta. The approximate borehole location is shown in Figure 2.0 in **Appendix B** and was recorded using a handheld GPS. The borehole location was selected by Stantec personnel based on drill rig accessibility and in consideration of the anticipated building footprint location.

The subsurface stratigraphy encountered in the borehole was recorded by Stantec personnel as the borehole was advanced. All soil descriptions and identifications during drilling were made in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). Representative samples of each stratum encountered were collected at close intervals and the soils' relative consistency was assessed during the performance of Standard Penetration Tests (SPTs).

The measured groundwater level upon completion is shown on the Borehole Record in **Appendix C**.

2.2 LABORATORY TESTING

All samples recovered from the field program were stored in moisture tight containers and were returned to our Calgary laboratory for detailed classification and testing. Laboratory testing was performed on selected samples, including:

- natural moisture content determinations
- water soluble sulphates testing
- grain size analysis

The results of the laboratory testing are discussed within this report and are included on the Borehole Records in **Appendix C**, provided in **Appendix D**, or are discussed within the text of this report. Samples remaining after testing will be stored for a period of three (3) months after issuance of the final report. Samples will then be discarded after this period unless otherwise directed.



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3.0 RESULTS OF THE INVESTIGATION

3.1 GENERAL

The subsurface soil and groundwater conditions encountered in the borehole is described in detail on the Borehole Record, with additional and supplementary information provided in this section. The Borehole Record, along with an explanation of the symbols and terms used in the descriptions, are in **Appendix C**.

In general, the subsurface conditions encountered consisted of a surficial layer of rootmat (measuring approximately 100 mm thick) overlying silty sand, overlying gravel. A summary of the subsurface conditions observed at the borehole location is described in detail in the following sections.

3.2 SILTY SAND (SM)

Brown silty sand was encountered beneath the rootmat, and measured approximately 1.4 m thick. The silty sand contained trace gravel, and was generally noted to be brown in color and dry to moist.

Moisture content testing completed on a sample of the silty sand indicated a natural moisture content of approximately 5%.

One SPT conducted in the silty sand stratum indicated an N-value of 37. In terms of relative compactness, based on the SPT test result the sandy silt may be described as dense.

3.3 GRAVEL (GP-GM)

Brown gravel was encountered below the silty sand at an approximate depth of 1.4 m. The gravel was poorly-graded and contained varying silt and sand content. It was noted as brown in color and dry to wet. The granular sized particles were generally noted to be angular to sub-rounded in the retrieved samples. Seepage was noted within this gravel layer at an approximate depth of 4.6 m.

Results of moisture content testing on the gravel samples indicated natural moisture contents between 2% and 8%, with an average of 4%. Results of a grain size analysis performed on a gravel sample (BH1 - SS4) indicated 72% gravel, 21% sand, and 7% fines (silt and clay sized particles). Based on the laboratory test results and the USCS, the gravel may be described as poorly-graded gravel (GP-GM) with silt and sand.

Results of SPTs conducted within the gravel indicated N-values between 19 and 31, and averaged 24. In terms of relative consistency, based on SPT N-values, the gravel may be described as compact to dense.



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3.4 GROUNDWATER

No standpipe piezometers were installed for this investigation. Groundwater within the borehole was measured following completion of drilling. Based on field observations groundwater was present within the gravel at a depth of 4.6 m. The observed groundwater level at the time of the investigation is shown in the Borehole Record in **Appendix C**.

Groundwater levels vary from year to year and from season to season, and depend on many factors including surface and subsurface drainage, precipitation, and the hydrogeology of the area. Fluctuations in the groundwater levels should be anticipated. Groundwater levels in Alberta can typically experience fluctuation in the order of about 1 m with the peak groundwater levels generally occurring in June or July.

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4.0 DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 GEOTECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS

Based on the information obtained from the geotechnical investigation, the site soil and groundwater conditions encountered are suitable for the proposed development from the geotechnical engineering perspective, provided that the recommendations outlined within this report are adhered to.

A layer of silty sand was encountered at the surface and extended to an approximate depth of 1.4 m. Our experience with this material is that it will require increased moisture conditioning and effort for reuse as Engineered Fill. Silty sands have a narrow moisture range in which they can be properly compacted, they tend to dry quickly and are easily disturbed and loosened when in a dry state. Silty sands are also highly erodible and highly frost susceptible. The silty sand layer generally extended to shallow depths, so it is recommended that this material be over-excavated where encountered at the foundation level. Foundations placed within the local gravel will minimize future issues with frost heaving and improve subgrade strength. The silty sand may be relocated for use within parking areas, landscaping or other non-loaded areas.

4.2 SITE GRADING AND PREPARATION

All organic soil, uncontrolled fill, loose, soft or any other deleterious materials must be removed from beneath the outline of proposed foundation footprints. The subgrade should consist of the native gravel or Engineered Fill (as outlined in **Section 4.4**) within foundation areas. Within roadways and parking areas, the subgrade may consist of either native gravel, native silty sand, or Engineered Fill.

Following stripping, the exposed subgrade surfaces within pavement and slab-on-grade areas should be scarified to a depth of 200 mm and moisture conditioned within the range of $\pm 3\%$ of optimum in the native gravel (optimum to be determined in accordance with ASTM D698), and $\pm 2\%$ of optimum for the native silty sand. Before any subsequent fill placement, the exposed subgrade should be compacted to 98% of Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (SPMDD).

Following preparation, exposed subgrade surfaces should be proof-rolled using heavy equipment such as a loaded tandem dump truck. All soft areas should be sub excavated to competent material and replaced with approved Engineered Fill. To promote subgrade uniformity, soft area repair should be carried out using soil of a similar nature to the in-situ subgrade soils. Soft area repairs using gravel should be carried out with due consideration given to proper drainage of the repaired area.



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Where construction is carried out during winter conditions, subgrade surfaces should be protected from freezing. In addition, the subgrade should be protected from wetting or drying, both before and after the placement of granular base material and concrete. Subgrade surfaces that are allowed to dry or become wet should be scarified, moisture conditioned, and re-compacted as required.

The final subgrade surface within building areas should be carefully graded to prevent ponding and to direct water away toward adequate drainage systems whenever possible (as outlined in **Section 4.6**).

To reduce the risk of differential settlement from differential fill thickness, the subgrade should be graded with a slope flatter than five horizontal to one vertical (5H:1V) prior to receiving fill material.

4.3 FOUNDATIONS

4.3.1 Strip and Square Footings

Shallow strip and square footings are feasible foundation options for the proposed structure, provided that the footings are placed on the native gravel or on Engineered Fill. Shallow foundations embedded a minimum of 0.5 m into the native gravel or Engineered Fill may be designed based on a factored bearing capacity of 250 kPa at Ultimate Limit States (ULS). This bearing capacity is applicable for square footing sizes between 0.6 m x 0.6 m to 2.5 m x 2.5 m; and for strip footings between 0.45 m to 1.2 m wide. A geotechnical resistance factor of 0.5 has been used in obtaining the ULS value, and is considered applicable for downward (compressive) static loads. Settlement for Serviceability Limit States (SLS) can be checked once further design details (such as proposed loading and footing configuration) are provided. For preliminary consideration, if footings are designed and constructed as recommended in this report, settlement can be assumed to be less than 25 mm for footings placed on the native gravel or Engineered Fill.

Footings should be placed a minimum of 2.4 m below finished ground surface for unheated structures, and a minimum of 1.9 m for heated structures. Footings founded above the specified minimum depths should be protected against frost action by means of insulation. Insulation requirements are discussed in **Section 4.7**.

The subgrade surfaces beneath footing foundations must be free from frozen, loose or soft materials. The base of all footings must be inspected by qualified geotechnical personnel prior to placing concrete to confirm the above design pressures and to ensure there are no disturbances or deleterious materials at the bearing surface.

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4.3.2 Slab-on-Grade

A conventional slab-on-grade unit will be suitable for the proposed building, provided that the recommendations outlined within this report are adhered to. A layer of approved granular material (such as Alberta Transportation Specifications Designation 2 - Class 20 or approved equivalent) of at least 150 mm in thickness should be placed immediately beneath the floor slab for leveling and support purposes and to act as a capillary break. This material should be compacted to a minimum of 98% SPMD at water content within $\pm 3\%$ of optimum. It is important that subgrade surfaces be protected from moisture changes and freezing temperatures both during and after construction to minimize the potential for frost heave/thaw action on the subgrade soils. The final subgrade surface within building areas should be carefully graded to prevent ponding and to direct water away from the floor slab area.

Elastic response of subgrade is commonly evaluated using a modulus of subgrade reaction. Typical values of the modulus of vertical subgrade reaction for a 1 ft² plate (300 mm by 300 mm), k_v1 , are about 60 MPa/m for subgrades consisting of the native gravel or Engineered Fill of a similar nature to the gravel. The modulus of subgrade reaction is not an intrinsic property. The values of modulus of subgrade reaction provided above are estimates based on the current geotechnical data and are meant to cover average conditions for the site. Actual modulus values change with rigidity and contact area of the slab. If requested, Stantec can determine representative modulus values during detailed design based on predicted settlement for specific foundation rigidity, loading conditions and contact area.

For unheated or exterior slabs founded above the predicted frost depth, they will be exposed to frost action and should therefore be protected in accordance with the recommendations in **Section 4.7**. Perimeter drainage with a positive outlet should be provided where floor slabs are below exterior finished grades.

Slabs-on-grade should float independently of all load-bearing walls and columns to minimize the potential for damage from small differential settlement between these elements.

4.4 FILL MATERIALS AND COMPACTION REQUIREMENTS

The existing gravel at the site is considered suitable for reuse as Structural Engineered Fill with proper moisture conditioning. The existing silty sand and sandy silt is not considered suitable for use as Structural Engineered Fill within foundation areas. The silty sand may be reused as General Engineered Fill outside of structurally loaded areas. As previously noted, the silty sand is easily disturbed and has a narrow range over which it can achieve proper compaction. Increased moisture conditioning and compactive effort should be anticipated when working with the silty sand.

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Drying or wetting of the site soils will be required during periods of heavy rain, hot weather, or if excavated material is allowed to dry excessively prior to reuse. Alternatively, mixing of dry and wet soils to reach the optimum moisture content may be considered, provided that qualified geotechnical personnel approve the mixed soil prior to use.

Structural Engineered Fill is defined as fill placed within structurally loaded areas, and as such will be subject to foundation loads. Structural Engineered Fill should consist of the native gravel. Alternatively, import granular fill conforming to Alberta Transportation specifications (such as Designation 6 Class 80) may also be used. Structural Engineered Fill should be moisture conditioned to within $\pm 3\%$ of optimum moisture content and compacted to a minimum of 100% SPMDD. General Engineered Fill is defined as fill placed within non-structurally loaded areas such as landscaping, light traffic roadways, and parking areas. General Engineered Fill may consist of the native silty sand, native gravel or imported granular fill. Silty sand should be moisture conditioned to within $\pm 2\%$ of optimum moisture content. The gravel should be moisture conditioned to within $\pm 3\%$ of optimum. General Engineered Fill should be compacted to a minimum of 98% SPMDD within access roads and parking areas; and 95% of SPMDD within non-structural and landscaped areas.

All fill materials must be free of organics, debris, and other deleterious materials. Fill materials should be placed in lifts having a thickness such that the compaction equipment can achieve the required density, but not exceed 300 mm.

All imported fill materials should be tested and approved by a geotechnical engineer prior to delivery to the Site.

4.5 EXCAVATION AND DEWATERING

Temporary excavations for foundation construction, conducted above the groundwater table should be supported or be flattened at side slopes no steeper than 1H:1V. In areas where discharge or groundwater seepage is occurring, sidewalls may need to be flattened. Some sloughing should be expected and periodic cleaning at the slope base may be required. Excavations should be inspected regularly for signs of instability and flattened as required. All excavations and shoring should be in accordance with the applicable Alberta Occupational Health and Safety regulations.

Based on the results of the field investigation groundwater is expected at an approximate depth of 4.5 m; however, dewatering requirements at the site will be dependent upon the seasonal variation of the groundwater elevation, precipitation during construction, and the depth of excavation below groundwater. If groundwater is encountered in excavations, it is expected that a dewatering system using sump pumps with shallow trenches to direct water away from the work areas will be the most feasible dewatering system in these conditions. The location of trenches and sumps are best determined during construction based on the location of any channels encountered. Pumping requirements will vary as the excavation proceeds deeper below groundwater elevation and in response to seasonal fluctuations and weather at the time of construction.



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4.6 SITE DRAINAGE

The prepared subgrade surface should be shaped to prevent ponding of water on the site as recommended in **Section 4.2**. Excess water should not be allowed to pond and should be drained or pumped from the site as quickly as possible both during and after construction.

The finished grades should provide surface drainage away from all structures. Positive surface drainage should be established to prevent ponding of water. A minimum gradient of 2% should be used wherever possible. Roof and other drains should discharge well clear of any buildings or equipment. Surrounding landscaping should be designed such that runoff water is prevented from ponding.

4.7 FROST PROTECTION

Foundation elements for unheated structures should have a minimum frost protection equivalent to a soil cover of at least 2.4 m. Perimeter foundations of heated buildings should be designed with a minimum soil cover of 1.9 m, provided that the foundation is not insulated in a manner that will reduce heat flow to the soil beneath the footings. Extruded polystyrene rigid insulation may be considered to provide an equivalent soil cover. Stantec can provide further recommendations for the type and thickness of rigid insulation during detailed design, if required.

4.8 SEISMIC CONSIDERATIONS

Seismic design for "normal structures", such as warehouses, low-rise commercial buildings, and high-rise office towers, is based on the 2015 National Building Code of Canada (NBCC). The primary objective of the NBCC earthquake resistant design requirements for "normal structures" is to protect the life and safety of the building occupants as the building responds to strong ground shaking. Structures designed in conformance with the NBCC provisions may undergo extensive structural damage during strong ground shaking but should not collapse. Collapse is defined to be a state where occupants can no longer exit the building because of structural failure. This implies that supporting foundations necessary to ensure the building's post-earthquake stability must be protected against excessive movement under strong ground shaking.

The 2015 NBCC seismic design procedures are based on ground motion parameters (e.g., peak ground acceleration (PGA) and spectral acceleration, S_a values) having a 2% probability of exceedance in 50 years; i.e., the 2,475 year return period earthquake event.

Based on the results of the Stantec field investigation, it is appropriate to classify the ground conditions at the subject site as a **Class D** Site, in accordance with the 2015 NBCC (Table 4.1.8.4.A).



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4.9 CONCRETE

One (1) test was conducted on a select soil sample (BH1 - SS6) to determine the water soluble sulphate content of site soils. The sulphate concentration in the sample was below 0.05%. Based on the one value, the degree of exposure may be considered negligible (based on CSA A23.1-14, Table 3). Therefore, type GU cement may be used for concrete in contact with site soils.

Air entrainment to the requirements of CSA A23.1-14 should be specified for all concrete in contact with freezing temperatures. Slabs that will receive a surface hardener should not be air entrained. Stricter specifications may be required for structural requirements, other exposure conditions, or other considerations.

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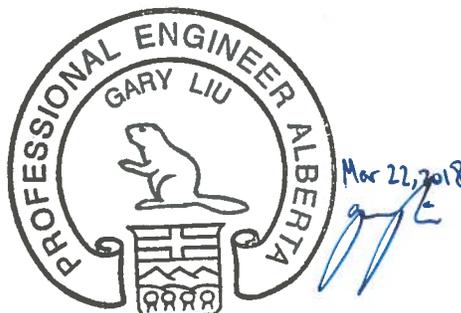
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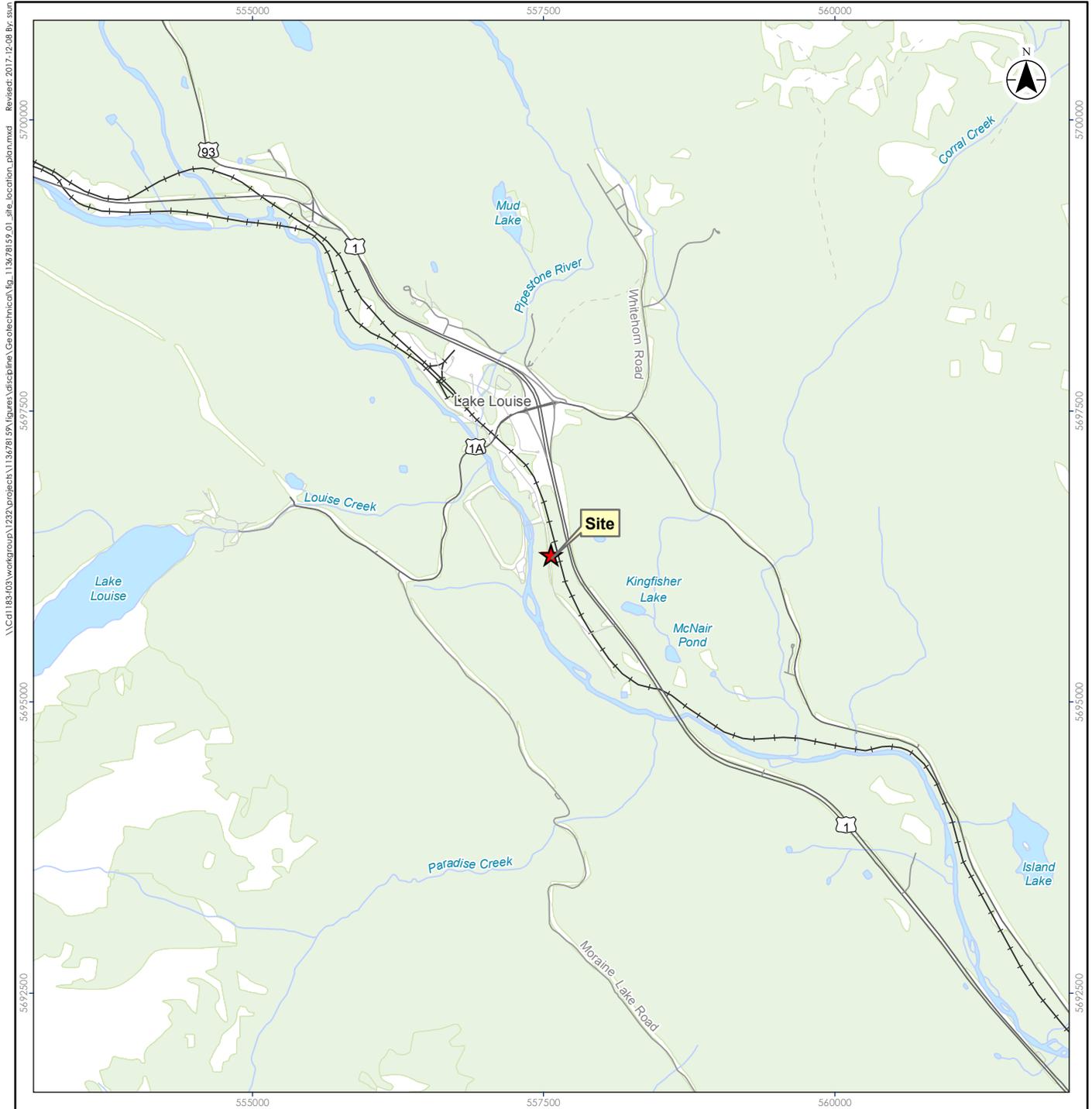
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APPENDIX B FIGURES



- Highway
- Major Road
- Local Street
- - - Resource Road
- +— Railway
- Watercourse
- Waterbody
- Wooded Area



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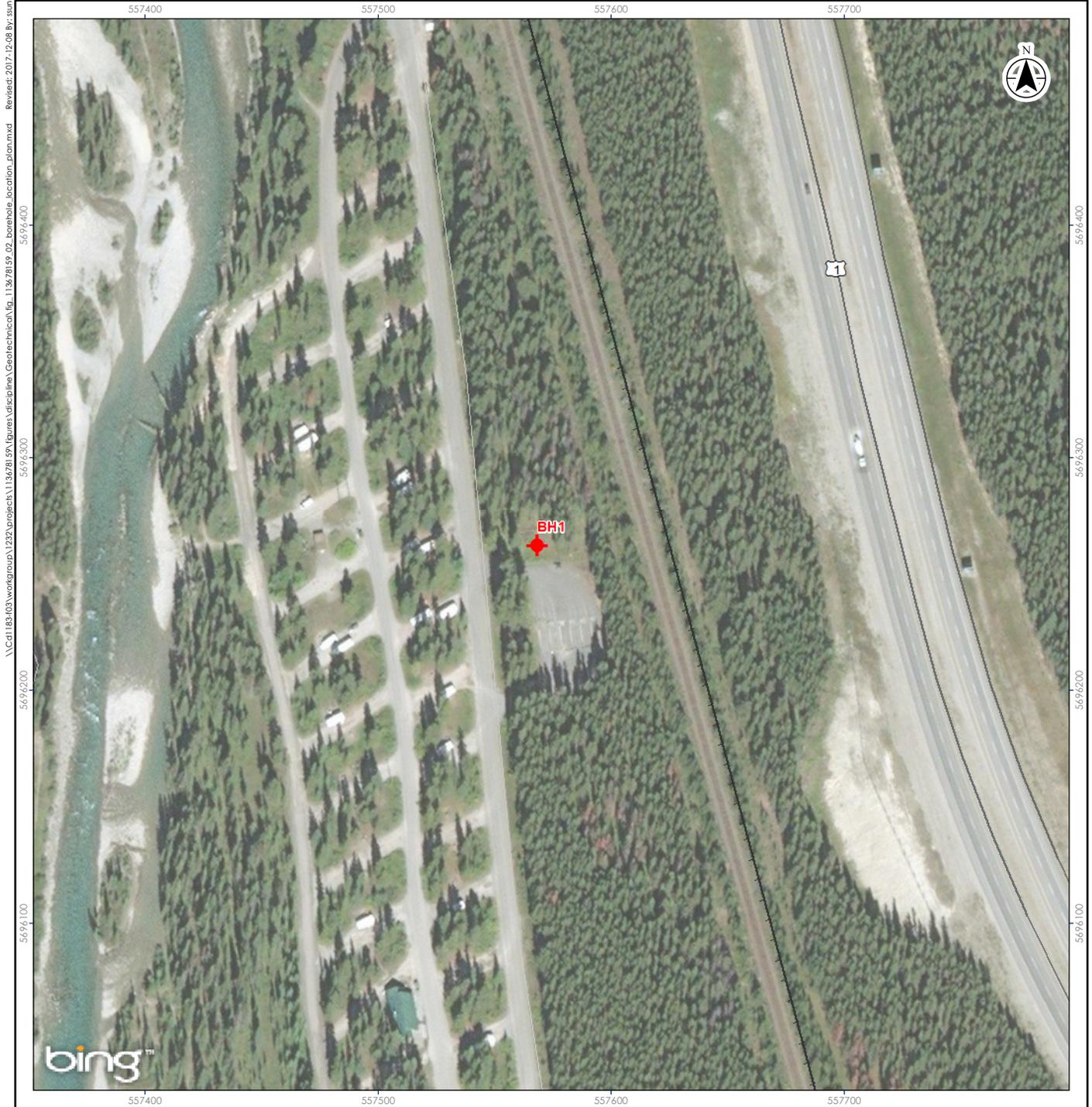
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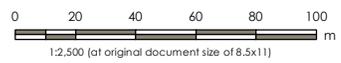
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- Highway
- Local Street
- +— Railway
- ◆ Borehole Location



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Figure No. 2

Title: Borehole Location Plan

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APPENDIX C BOREHOLE RECORDS

SYMBOLS AND TERMS USED ON BOREHOLE AND TEST PIT RECORDS

SOIL DESCRIPTION

Terminology describing common soil genesis:

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| <i>Rootmat</i> | - vegetation, roots and moss with organic matter and topsoil typically forming a mattress at the ground surface |
| <i>Topsoil</i> | - mixture of soil and humus capable of supporting vegetative growth |
| <i>Peat</i> | - mixture of visible and invisible fragments of decayed organic matter |
| <i>Till</i> | - unstratified glacial deposit which may range from clay to boulders |
| <i>Fill</i> | - material below the surface identified as placed by humans (excluding buried services) |

Terminology describing soil structure:

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| <i>Desiccated</i> | - having visible signs of weathering by oxidization of clay minerals, shrinkage cracks, etc. |
| <i>Fissured</i> | - having cracks, and hence a blocky structure |
| <i>Varved</i> | - composed of regular alternating layers of silt and clay |
| <i>Stratified</i> | - composed of alternating successions of different soil types, e.g. silt and sand |
| <i>Layer</i> | - > 75 mm in thickness |
| <i>Seam</i> | - 2 mm to 75 mm in thickness |
| <i>Parting</i> | - < 2 mm in thickness |

Terminology describing soil types:

The classification of soil types are made on the basis of grain size and plasticity in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) (ASTM D 2487 or D 2488) which excludes particles larger than 75 mm. For particles larger than 75 mm, and for defining percent clay fraction in hydrometer results, definitions proposed by Canadian Foundation Engineering Manual, 4th Edition are used. The USCS provides a group symbol (e.g. SM) and group name (e.g. silty sand) for identification.

Terminology describing cobbles, boulders, and non-matrix materials (organic matter or debris):

Terminology describing materials outside the USCS, (e.g. particles larger than 75 mm, visible organic matter, and construction debris) is based upon the proportion of these materials present:

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| <i>Trace, or occasional</i> | Less than 10% |
| <i>Some</i> | 10-20% |
| <i>Frequent</i> | > 20% |

Terminology describing compactness of cohesionless soils:

The standard terminology to describe cohesionless soils includes compactness (formerly "relative density"), as determined by the Standard Penetration Test (SPT) N-Value - also known as N-Index. The SPT N-Value is described further on page 3. A relationship between compactness condition and N-Value is shown in the following table.

| Compactness Condition | SPT N-Value |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| <i>Very Loose</i> | <4 |
| <i>Loose</i> | 4-10 |
| <i>Compact</i> | 10-30 |
| <i>Dense</i> | 30-50 |
| <i>Very Dense</i> | >50 |

Terminology describing consistency of cohesive soils:

The standard terminology to describe cohesive soils includes the consistency, which is based on undrained shear strength as measured by *in situ* vane tests, penetrometer tests, or unconfined compression tests. Consistency may be crudely estimated from SPT N-Value based on the correlation shown in the following table (Terzaghi and Peck, 1967). The correlation to SPT N-Value is used with caution as it is only very approximate.

| Consistency | Undrained Shear Strength | | Approximate SPT N-Value |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| | kips/sq.ft. | kPa | |
| <i>Very Soft</i> | <0.25 | <12.5 | <2 |
| <i>Soft</i> | 0.25 - 0.5 | 12.5 - 25 | 2-4 |
| <i>Firm</i> | 0.5 - 1.0 | 25 - 50 | 4-8 |
| <i>Stiff</i> | 1.0 - 2.0 | 50 - 100 | 8-15 |
| <i>Very Stiff</i> | 2.0 - 4.0 | 100 - 200 | 15-30 |
| <i>Hard</i> | >4.0 | >200 | >30 |

ROCK DESCRIPTION

Except where specified below, terminology for describing rock is as defined by the International Society for Rock Mechanics (ISRM) 2007 publication "The Complete ISRM Suggested Methods for Rock Characterization, Testing and Monitoring: 1974-2006"

Terminology describing rock quality:

| RQD | Rock Mass Quality |
|--------|-------------------|
| 0-25 | Very Poor Quality |
| 25-50 | Poor Quality |
| 50-75 | Fair Quality |
| 75-90 | Good Quality |
| 90-100 | Excellent Quality |

| Alternate (Colloquial) Rock Mass Quality | |
|--|--------------------------|
| Very Severely Fractured | Crushed |
| Severely Fractured | Shattered or Very Blocky |
| Fractured | Blocky |
| Moderately Jointed | Sound |
| Intact | Very Sound |

RQD (Rock Quality Designation) denotes the percentage of intact and sound rock retrieved from a borehole of any orientation. All pieces of intact and sound rock core equal to or greater than 100 mm (4 in.) long are summed and divided by the total length of the core run. RQD is determined in accordance with ASTM D6032.

SCR (Solid Core Recovery) denotes the percentage of solid core (cylindrical) retrieved from a borehole of any orientation. All pieces of solid (cylindrical) core are summed and divided by the total length of the core run (It excludes all portions of core pieces that are not fully cylindrical as well as crushed or rubble zones).

Fracture Index (FI) is defined as the number of naturally occurring fractures within a given length of core. The Fracture Index is reported as a simple count of natural occurring fractures.

Terminology describing rock with respect to discontinuity and bedding spacing:

| Spacing (mm) | Discontinuities | Bedding |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|
| >6000 | Extremely Wide | - |
| 2000-6000 | Very Wide | Very Thick |
| 600-2000 | Wide | Thick |
| 200-600 | Moderate | Medium |
| 60-200 | Close | Thin |
| 20-60 | Very Close | Very Thin |
| <20 | Extremely Close | Laminated |
| <6 | - | Thinly Laminated |

Terminology describing rock strength:

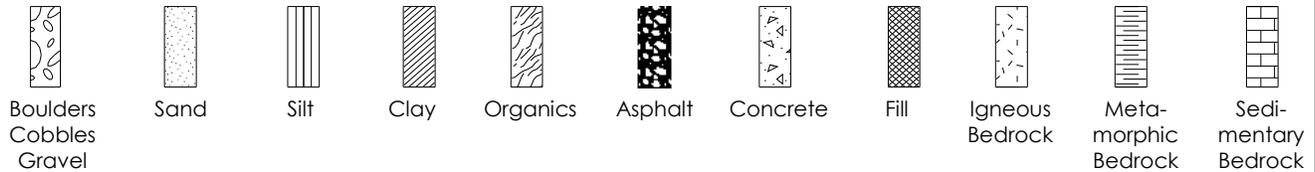
| Strength Classification | Grade | Unconfined Compressive Strength (MPa) |
|-------------------------|-------|---------------------------------------|
| Extremely Weak | R0 | <1 |
| Very Weak | R1 | 1 – 5 |
| Weak | R2 | 5 – 25 |
| Medium Strong | R3 | 25 – 50 |
| Strong | R4 | 50 – 100 |
| Very Strong | R5 | 100 – 250 |
| Extremely Strong | R6 | >250 |

Terminology describing rock weathering:

| Term | Symbol | Description |
|---------------|--------|--|
| Fresh | W1 | No visible signs of rock weathering. Slight discoloration along major discontinuities |
| Slightly | W2 | Discoloration indicates weathering of rock on discontinuity surfaces. All the rock material may be discolored. |
| Moderately | W3 | Less than half the rock is decomposed and/or disintegrated into soil. |
| Highly | W4 | More than half the rock is decomposed and/or disintegrated into soil. |
| Completely | W5 | All the rock material is decomposed and/or disintegrated into soil. The original mass structure is still largely intact. |
| Residual Soil | W6 | All the rock converted to soil. Structure and fabric destroyed. |

STRATA PLOT

Strata plots symbolize the soil or bedrock description. They are combinations of the following basic symbols. The dimensions within the strata symbols are not indicative of the particle size, layer thickness, etc.



SAMPLE TYPE

| | |
|------------------|---|
| SS | Split spoon sample (obtained by performing the Standard Penetration Test) |
| ST | Shelby tube or thin wall tube |
| DP | Direct-Push sample (small diameter tube sampler hydraulically advanced) |
| PS | Piston sample |
| BS | Bulk sample |
| HQ, NQ, BQ, etc. | Rock core samples obtained with the use of standard size diamond coring bits. |

WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENT



measured in standpipe, piezometer, or well



inferred

RECOVERY

For soil samples, the recovery is recorded as the length of the soil sample recovered. For rock core, recovery is defined as the total cumulative length of all core recovered in the core barrel divided by the length drilled and is recorded as a percentage on a per run basis.

N-VALUE

Numbers in this column are the field results of the Standard Penetration Test: the number of blows of a 140 pound (63.5 kg) hammer falling 30 inches (760 mm), required to drive a 2 inch (50.8 mm) O.D. split spoon sampler one foot (300 mm) into the soil. In accordance with ASTM D1586, the N-Value equals the sum of the number of blows (N) required to drive the sampler over the interval of 6 to 18 in. (150 to 450 mm). However, when a 24 in. (610 mm) sampler is used, the number of blows (N) required to drive the sampler over the interval of 12 to 24 in. (300 to 610 mm) may be reported if this value is lower. For split spoon samples where insufficient penetration was achieved and N-Values cannot be presented, the number of blows are reported over sampler penetration in millimetres (e.g. 50/75). Some design methods make use of N-values corrected for various factors such as overburden pressure, energy ratio, borehole diameter, etc. No corrections have been applied to the N-values presented on the log.

DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION TEST (DCPT)

Dynamic cone penetration tests are performed using a standard 60 degree apex cone connected to 'A' size drill rods with the same standard fall height and weight as the Standard Penetration Test. The DCPT value is the number of blows of the hammer required to drive the cone one foot (300 mm) into the soil. The DCPT is used as a probe to assess soil variability.

OTHER TESTS

| | |
|----------|--|
| S | Sieve analysis |
| H | Hydrometer analysis |
| k | Laboratory permeability |
| γ | Unit weight |
| G_s | Specific gravity of soil particles |
| CD | Consolidated drained triaxial |
| CU | Consolidated undrained triaxial with pore pressure measurements |
| UU | Unconsolidated undrained triaxial |
| DS | Direct Shear |
| C | Consolidation |
| Q_u | Unconfined compression |
| l_p | Point Load Index (l_p on Borehole Record equals $l_p(50)$ in which the index is corrected to a reference diameter of 50 mm) |

| | |
|--|---|
| | Single packer permeability test; test interval from depth shown to bottom of borehole |
| | Double packer permeability test; test interval as indicated |
| | Falling head permeability test using casing |
| | Falling head permeability test using well point or piezometer |

APPENDIX D LABORATORY TEST RESULTS



Moisture Content of Soil or Aggregate
 CSA A23.2-11A
 ASTM D2216

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| Moisture Content Worksheet | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| Borehole / Test Pit No. | BH1 | BH1 | BH1 | BH1 | BH1 | |
| Sample | SS2 | SS4 | SS6 | BS7 | SS8 | |
| Tare No. | | | | | | |
| Mass Tare Container | 1.48 | 1.51 | 1.53 | 1.37 | 1.37 | |
| Mass Sample (Wet+Tare) (g) | 37.78 | 31.43 | 52.12 | 33.72 | 45.94 | |
| Mass Sample (Dry+Tare) (g) | 36.13 | 30.9 | 50.92 | 32.16 | 42.57 | |
| Mass of Water (g) | 1.65 | 0.53 | 1.20 | 1.56 | 3.37 | |
| Mass Dry Sample (g) | 34.65 | 29.39 | 49.39 | 30.79 | 41.20 | |
| Moisture Content (%) | 4.8% | 1.8% | 2.4% | 5.1% | 8.2% | |
| Comments | | | | | | |
| Borehole / Test Pit No. | | | | | | |
| Sample | | | | | | |
| Tare No. | | | | | | |
| Mass Tare Container | | | | | | |
| Mass Sample (Wet+Tare) (g) | | | | | | |
| Mass Sample (Dry+Tare) (g) | | | | | | |
| Mass of Water (g) | | | | | | |
| Mass Dry Sample (g) | | | | | | |
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| Mass Dry Sample (g) | | | | | | |
| Moisture Content (%) | | | | | | |
| Comments | | | | | | |

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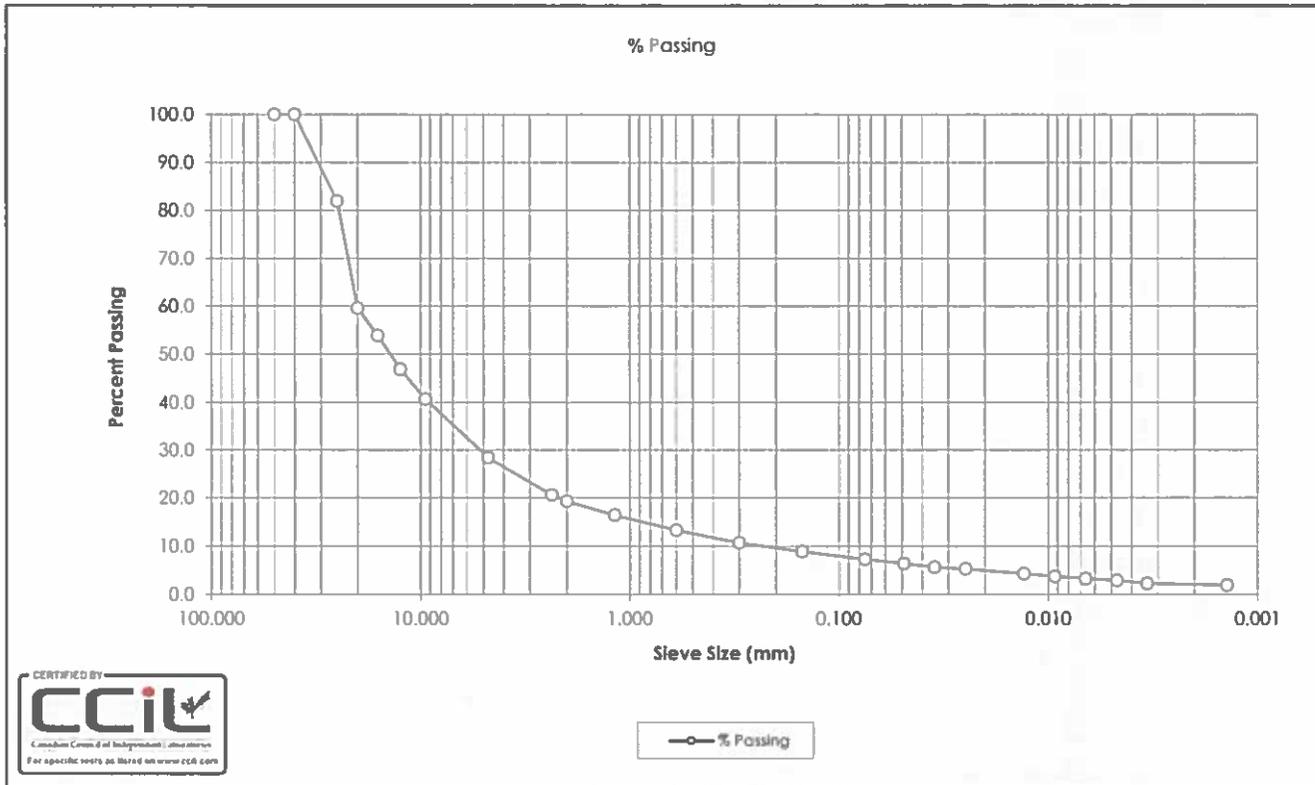
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SAMPLE No.: SS4
SOURCE: BH1
TESTED BY: B.Pelkey

DATE RECEIVED: October 25, 2017
DATE TESTED: November 2, 2017
SAMPLE DESCRIPTION: Poorly Graded Gravel with Fines and Sand



| Sieve (mm) | Sample % Passing | Sieve (mm) | Sample % Passing |
|------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 50.0 | 100.0 | 0.0093 | 3.7 |
| 40.0 | 100.0 | 0.0066 | 3.3 |
| 25.0 | 82.0 | 0.0047 | 2.9 |
| 20.0 | 59.6 | 0.0034 | 2.2 |
| 16.0 | 53.9 | 0.0014 | 1.9 |
| 12.5 | 46.9 | | |
| 9.5 | 40.7 | | |
| 4.75 | 28.4 | | |
| 2.36 | 20.6 | | |
| 2.00 | 19.3 | | |
| 1.18 | 16.4 | | |
| 0.600 | 13.3 | | |
| 0.300 | 10.7 | | |
| 0.150 | 8.9 | | |
| 0.075 | 7.3 | | |
| 0.0489 | 6.4 | | |
| 0.0350 | 5.7 | | |
| 0.0248 | 5.3 | | |
| 0.0131 | 4.3 | | |
| Gravel: | 71.6% | D ₁₀ : | 0.2438 |
| Sand: | 21.1% | D ₃₀ : | 5.4748 |
| Silt: | 5.2% | D ₆₀ : | 20.1130 |
| Clay: | 2.1% | C _u : | 82.48 |
| | | C _c : | 6.11 |

Comments: Sample description (USCS) derived from the Grain Size analysis test results.

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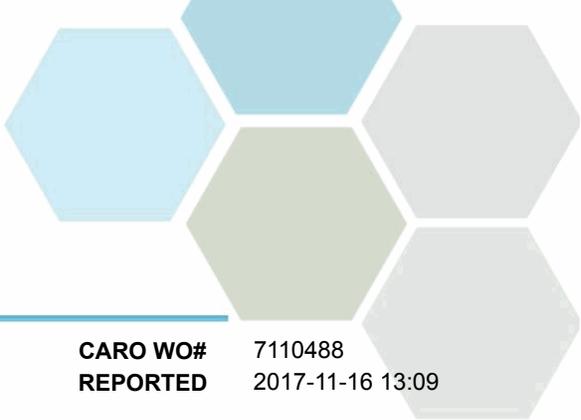
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TEST RESULTS

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|--|---------|-------|-------|------------|-----------|
| BH1 SS5 & SS6 Combo (7110488-01) Matrix: Soil Sampled: 2017-11-03 | | | | | |
| <i>General Parameters</i> | | | | | |
| Sulfate, Water-Soluble | < 0.050 | 0.050 | % | 2017-11-16 | |



APPENDIX 1: SUPPORTING INFORMATION

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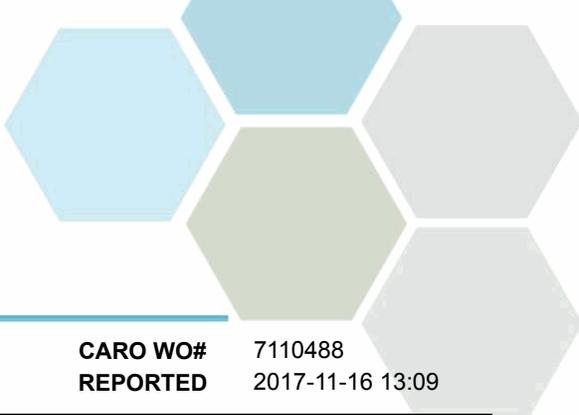
| Analysis Description | Method Ref. | Technique | Location |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|----------|
| Sulfate, Water-Soluble in Soil | CSAA23.2-3B / CSA A23.2-2B | Extraction (HCl) / Gravimetry (Barium Sulfate Precipitation) | Richmond |

Glossary of Terms:

RL Reporting Limit (default)
% Percent
CSA Canadian Standards Association Chemical Test Methods

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The following section displays the quality control (QC) data that is associated with your sample data. Groups of samples are prepared in “batches” and analyzed in conjunction with QC samples that ensure your data is of the highest quality. Common QC types include:

- **Method Blank (Blk):** A blank sample that undergoes sample processing identical to that carried out for the test samples. Method blank results are used to assess contamination from the laboratory environment and reagents.
- **Duplicate (Dup):** An additional or second portion of a randomly selected sample in the analytical run carried through the entire analytical process. Duplicates provide a measure of the analytical method's precision (reproducibility).
- **Blank Spike (BS):** A sample of known concentration which undergoes processing identical to that carried out for test samples, also referred to as a laboratory control sample (LCS). Blank spikes provide a measure of the analytical method's accuracy.
- **Matrix Spike (MS):** A second aliquot of sample is fortified with with a known concentration of target analytes and carried through the entire analytical process. Matrix spikes evaluate potential matrix effects that may affect the analyte recovery.
- **Reference Material (SRM):** A homogenous material of similar matrix to the samples, certified for the parameter(s) listed. Reference Materials ensure that the analytical process is adequate to achieve acceptable recoveries of the parameter(s) tested.

Each QC type is analyzed at a 5-10% frequency, i.e. one blank/duplicate/spike for every 10-20 samples. For all types of QC, the specified recovery (% Rec) and relative percent difference (RPD) limits are derived from long-term method performance averages and/or prescribed by the reference method.

| Analyte | Result | MRL Units | Spike Level | Source Result | % REC | REC Limit | % RPD | RPD Limit | Notes |
|--|---------|-----------|---|---------------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| General Parameters, Batch B7K0899 | | | | | | | | | |
| Blank (B7K0899-BLK1) | | | Prepared: 2017-11-10, Analyzed: 2017-11-16 | | | | | | |
| Sulfate, Water-Soluble | < 0.050 | 0.050 % | | | | | | | |
| Duplicate (B7K0899-DUP1) | | | Source: 7110488-01 Prepared: 2017-11-10, Analyzed: 2017-11-16 | | | | | | |
| Sulfate, Water-Soluble | < 0.050 | 0.050 % | | < 0.050 | | | | 19 | |
| Matrix Spike (B7K0899-MS1) | | | Source: 7110488-01 Prepared: 2017-11-10, Analyzed: 2017-11-16 | | | | | | |
| Sulfate, Water-Soluble | 0.614 | 0.050 % | 0.660 | < 0.050 | 93 | 63-117 | | | |