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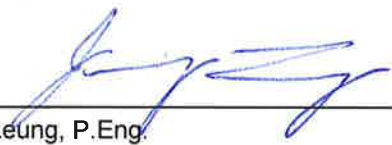


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# 1 INTRODUCTION

Parks Canada retained WSP Canada Inc. (WSP) to complete a geotechnical investigation for washroom facility improvements at the Minnewanka Day-Use Area and Castle Mountain Campground within Banff National Park in Alberta. This document is Revision 1 of the geotechnical report. The scope of work was completed in accordance with WSP's proposal dated October 9, 2018, and included the following:

- Nine geotechnical boreholes
- Laboratory testing
- Geotechnical report

The geotechnical field investigation took place during the same mobilization as a hydrogeological / environmental / septic assessment which included field investigations at the Fenlands, Vermillion Lakes, Johnston Canyon, Tunnel Mountain and Cascade Ponds sites. The results of the hydrogeological / environmental / septic assessment are presented in a separate report. This report presents the results of the geotechnical scope only.

The objectives of this geotechnical investigation were to assess the subsoil conditions and to provide recommendations for engineering design parameters for the proposed developments on site.

The use of this report is subject to the Terms of Reference (Appendix A).

## 2 SITE AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The investigation took place at the existing Minnewanka Day-Use Area and Castle Mountain Campground.

### 2.1 Minnewanka Day-Use Area

Boreholes for the geotechnical investigation were completed at three sites referred to as sites A, B and C. At site A, a new vault toilet building is proposed within a restored area where a now-demolished flush washroom building existed. At sites B and C, a new vault toilet building is proposed at the location of an existing vault toilet building.

The three sites are generally flat and are surrounded by coniferous trees. Roads and small structures related to the day-use area are nearby.

### 2.2 Castle Mountain Campground

A new washroom building is proposed within the existing Castle Mountain Campground. The site is generally flat and surrounded by tall coniferous trees. Roads and small structures related to the campground are nearby.

## 2.3 Geology

Based on published surficial geology mapping<sup>1</sup>, the Minnewanka Day-Use Area surficial geology is expected to comprise of moraine glacial till deposits consisting of a mixture of clay, silt and sand as well as minor gravel, cobbles and boulders.

The Castle Mountain Campground surficial geology is expected to comprise of both fluvial deposits consisting of poorly to well sorted sand, gravel, silt and clay as well as moraine deposits similar to the Minnewanka site.

# 3 METHODOLOGY

## 3.1 Field Investigation

WSP oversaw the drilling of nine geotechnical boreholes on October 18 and 21, 2018. The boreholes were drilled by Erncor Environmental Drilling & Coring Inc. using a track-mounted drill rig and direct push drilling technology. The borehole details are provided in Table 1. A site plan showing the borehole locations is provided in Appendix B (Figures 1 to Figure 5).

**Table 1 Borehole Details**

Borehole #	Completion Date	Depth (mbgs)	*Latitude	*Longitude	Descriptive Location
18BH01	Oct 21, 2018	4.8 (**Refusal)	51.248008	-115.500309	Minnewanka Site B
18BH02	Oct 21, 2018	1.8 (**Refusal)	51.248035	-115.499103	Minnewanka Site A
18BH03	Oct 21, 2018	2.6 (**Refusal)	51.248035	-115.499102	Minnewanka Site A
18BH04	Oct 21, 2018	2.0 (**Refusal)	51.248020	-115.499079	Minnewanka Site A
18BH05	Oct 21, 2018	2.1 (**Refusal)	51.248037	-115.499078	Minnewanka Site A
18BH06	Oct 21, 2018	1.5 (**Refusal)	51.250352	-115.495983	Minnewanka Site C
18BH07	Oct 21, 2018	1.5 (**Refusal)	51.250310	-115.496035	Minnewanka Site C
**18BH08	Oct 18, 2018	6.6	51.268707	-115.910908	Castle Mountain Campground
**18BH09	Oct 18, 2018	4.6	51.268571	-115.910959	Castle Mountain Campground

Notes: \*As-built borehole coordinates were acquired using a handheld GPS (NAD 83). Coordinates are accurate to  $\pm 3$  m

\*\*18BH08 and 18BH09 refer to field borehole logs 18BH02 and 18BH03 respectively, which were completed at the Castle Mountain Site. The numbering system was revised to improve the legibility of this report.

\*\*\*Drilling refusal was encountered in 18BH01 to 18BH 07

<sup>1</sup> Fenton, M.M., Waters, E.J., Pawley, S.M., Atkinson, N., Utting, D.J. and McKay, K. (2013): Surficial geology of Alberta; Alberta Energy Regulator, AER/AGS Map 601, scale 1:1 000 000.

Standard penetration tests (SPTs) were performed at selected depth intervals and soil samples were obtained from the split-spoon sampler. Piezometers / monitoring wells were installed at selected locations across all of the Banff campground sites as a part of the hydrogeological / environmental / septic assessment. The borehole logs which describe soil stratigraphy, sampling sequences, and the field and laboratory test results are included in Appendix B.

## 3.2 Laboratory Testing

The following laboratory tests were completed on soil samples collected on site:

- 26 moisture content tests
- 2 Atterberg limits tests
- 2 grain size analysis tests (sieve and hydrometer)
- 1 grain size analysis test (sieve only)
- 4 soluble sulphate content tests

The laboratory test results are discussed in Section 4. The test results are shown on the borehole logs in Appendix B. The laboratory testing sheets are provided in Appendix C.

# 4 SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

The general soil profile at the Minnewanka Sites A, B and C were somewhat variable; however, all sites encountered drilling refusal on inferred bedrock at depths ranging from 1.5 to 4.8 meters below ground surface (mbgs). The overburden material is consistent with moraine glacial till deposits; however, the composition varies from site to site. Fill material was encountered at the surface of all boreholes except 18BH02.

The soil profile at the Castle Mountain site generally consisted of surficial topsoil over gravel and sand till, over clay over gravel and sand till.

Groundwater conditions are summarised in Section 4.3. A description of the subsurface soil strata is provided in the following sub-sections.

## 4.1 Minnewanka Site (Boreholes 18BH01 to 18BH07)

### 4.1.1 Granular Fill

Surficial granular fill was encountered within 18BH01 and was 150 mm thick. The surficial granular fill generally comprised of sand and gravel. It was brown and dry.

### 4.1.2 Topsoil

Surficial topsoil was encountered in 18BH02 and was 300 mm thick. The topsoil was brown and moist.

#### 4.1.3 Sand Fill

Surficial sand fill was encountered within 18BH03, 18BH06 and 18BH07 and ranged from 0.3 to 1.1 m thick. The sand fill contained variable amounts of gravel, silt and clay. The sand fill was dark grey and dry.

One moisture content on a sand fill sample was 5% which indicates dry to moist sand.

#### 4.1.4 Silt Fill

Silt fill was encountered in 18BH01 below the granular fill and at the surface in 18BH04 and 18BH05. The silt fill extended to depths ranging from 1.1 to 1.7 mbgs. The silt fill contained variable amounts of gravel, silt and clay. The silt fill was generally brown and dry.

Moisture contents of three samples of silt fill ranged from 6 to 12% indicating dry to moist condition.

#### 4.1.5 Rafted Bedrock

Rafted bedrock was encountered from 1.7 to 2.4 mbgs in 18BH01 between the silt fill and silt till layers. Very little sample was recovered from the direct push. Not enough sample could be recovered to determine the type of bedrock.

#### 4.1.6 Silt Till

Silt till was encountered in 18BH01 below the rafted bedrock and extended until 3.0 mbgs. The silt till contained some sand, some clay and some gravel and was wet, dark brown and loose.

#### 4.1.7 Sand Till

Sand till was encountered in 18BH02, 18BH03, 18BH04, 18BH05 and 18BH07 either below the topsoil or fill material and extended to depths ranging from 0.8 to 2.1 mbgs. The sand till was generally silty, with trace clay and gravel and grey to brown.

Moisture contents of six samples of sand till ranged from 4 to 11% indicating dry to moist condition.

Two SPTs completed within the sand till had "N" values of 6 and 7 blows per 300 mm of penetration, which indicates loose sand.

One grain size analysis (i.e., sieve and hydrometer) was completed on a sample of sand till from 18BH04 at 1.5 mbgs which resulted in 8.3% gravel, 48.2% sand, 41.5% silt and 2.0% clay. A soluble sulphate content test was completed on the same sample which resulted in 0.42% sulphate content.

#### 4.1.8 Clay Till

Clay till was encountered in 18BH06 below the sand fill and in 18BH07 below the sand till and extended to 1.5 mbgs. The clay till was silty with some sand and trace gravel. The clay till was brown with trace oxide and coal inclusions.

Moisture contents of two samples of clay till were 16 and 25% indicating moist condition.

One Atterberg limits test was completed on a sample of clay till from 18BH06 at 1.4 mbgs which resulted in plastic and liquid limits of 19% and 28% respectively which correspond to low plastic clay. A soluble sulphate content test was completed on the same sample which resulted in 0.044% sulphate content.



#### 4.1.9 Sand and Gravel Till

Sand gravel till was encountered in 18BH01, 18BH02 and 18BH03 either below the silt till or sand till and extended to depths ranging from 1.8 to 3.0 mbgs. The sand and gravel till was generally silty with variable amounts of clay and grey to brown. Cobbles and increased gravel content was present closer to the termination depth of the borehole.

Moisture contents of four samples of sand and gravel till ranged from 2 to 9% indicating dry to moist condition.

Two SPTs completed within the sand and gravel till had “N” values of 6 and 17 blows per 300 mm of penetration, which indicates loose to compact sand and gravel.

One grain size analysis (i.e., sieve and hydrometer) was completed on a sample of sand and gravel till from 18BH01 at 3.0 mbgs which resulted in 12.5% gravel, 44.2% sand, 34.1% silt and 6.2% clay. A soluble sulphate content test was completed on the same sample which resulted in 0.076% sulphate content.

#### 4.1.10 Inferred Bedrock

All Minnewanka boreholes encountered drilling refusal on inferred bedrock. No sample from the direct push could be recovered due to the drilling refusal which is why the bedrock is “inferred”. Since there was no sample, the bedrock type could not be classified.

The top of the inferred bedrock in the Minnewanka boreholes is summarized in Table 3.

**Table 2 Top of Inferred Bedrock**

Borehole #	Drilling Refusal Depth / Top of Inferred Bedrock (mbgs)	Soil Type of Layer Above Inferred Bedrock
18BH01	4.8	Sand and Gravel Till
18BH02	1.8	Sand and Gravel Till
18BH03	2.6	Sand and Gravel Till
18BH04	2.0	Sand Till
18BH05	2.1	Sand Till
18BH06	1.5	Clay Till
18BH07	1.5	Clay Till

## 4.2 Castle Mountain Site (Boreholes 18BH08 and 18BH09)

### 4.2.1 Topsoil

Surficial topsoil was encountered in both boreholes and was 150 and 300 mm thick in 18BH08 and 18BH09, respectively. The topsoil was brown and moist.

#### 4.2.2 Sand Till

Sand till was encountered in 18BH08 below the topsoil and extended until 0.6 mbgs. The sand till was silty with trace clay and reddish brown.

A moisture content of one sample of sand till was 11% indicating moist condition.

One SPT completed within the sand till had an “N” value of 5 blows per 300 mm of penetration, which indicates loose sand.

#### 4.2.3 Gravel and Sand Till

Gravel and sand till was encountered in 18BH08 below the sand till and in 18BH09 below the topsoil. In 18BH08 the gravel and sand till extended until borehole termination depth at 6.6 mbgs; however, it was interrupted by a layer of clay from 3.4 to 4.6 mbgs. In 18BH09, the gravel and sand till extended until the start of the clay layer at 3.0 mbgs.

The gravel and sand till was generally grey to brown and contained cobbles and boulders deeper into the layer. Moisture contents of eight samples of gravel and sand till generally ranged from 1 to 5% indicating dry condition.

Four SPTs completed within the gravel and sand till had “N” values of 41 and 76 blows per 300 mm of penetration, which indicates dense to very dense gravel and sand.

One grain size analysis (i.e., sieve only) was completed on a sample of gravel and sand till from 18BH08 at 1.5 mbgs which resulted in 58.7% gravel, 32.6% sand and 8.7% silt/clay. A soluble sulphate content test was completed on the same sample which resulted in 0.100% sulphate content.

#### 4.2.4 Clay

Clay was encountered in both boreholes from 3.4 to 4.6 mbgs in 18BH08 and from 3.0 to 4.6 mbgs in 18BH09. The clay extended until borehole termination depth in 18BH09. The clay was light beige and did not appear to contain any other inclusions.

A moisture content of one sample of clay was 22% indicating moist condition.

One SPT completed within the clay had an “N” value of 18 blows per 300 mm of penetration, which indicates very stiff clay.

One Atterberg limits test was completed on a sample of clay from 18BH08 at 3.8 mbgs which resulted in plastic and liquid limits of 22% and 35% respectively which correspond to medium plastic clay.

### 4.3 Groundwater and Sloughing Conditions

For a more detailed analysis of the groundwater conditions on site, please refer to the hydrogeological / environmental / septic assessment report. As it relates to construction, the following geotechnical groundwater and sloughing conditions observations are provided.

- Sloughing (i.e., borehole collapsing) was observed in all boreholes due to the sandy gravelly soils that were encountered.
- Water seepage during drilling was encountered in 18BH01 at 3.0 mbgs.
- Water seepage during drilling was encountered in 18BH08 at 3.0 mbgs.

- Water seepage during drilling was encountered in 18BH09 at 3.0 mbgs.
- Water seepage was not encountered in any other boreholes.

Groundwater levels are prone to fluctuations and may be affected by seasonal fluctuations, recent rainfall, surface drainage, and infiltration, etc.

## 5 GEOTECHNICAL COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This section provides geotechnical design parameters based on WSP's interpretation of the field and laboratory testing information. The geotechnical parameters provided are intended as preliminary guidance for planning and design by qualified engineers and architects. Where comments are made on construction, they are provided to highlight aspects of construction that could affect the implementation of the project. Parties requiring information beyond the scope or purpose of this report must contact WSP or make their own interpretation of the information provided.

### 5.1 Soil Design Parameters

The interpreted soil design parameters in Table 3 were developed using standard engineering techniques, as indicated in the Canadian Foundation Engineering Manual (CFEM)<sup>2</sup>.

**Table 3 Soil Design Parameters**

Parameters	Existing Fill	Engineered Fill	Clay Till	Sand Till, Gravel and Sand Till
Total Unit Weight (KN/m <sup>3</sup> )	19	20	18	19
Angle of Internal Friction (°)	25	32	25	28
Undrained Shear Strength, $S_u$ (kPa)	n/a (cohesionless)	n/a (cohesionless)	50	n/a (cohesionless)
Coefficient of Active Earth Pressure, $K_a$ , (Rankine)	0.41	0.31	0.41	0.36
Coefficient of At-Rest Earth Pressure, $K_o$ , (Rankine)	0.58	0.47	0.58	0.53
Coefficient of Passive Earth Pressure, $K_p$ , (Rankine)	2.46	3.25	2.46	2.77

The earth pressure coefficients in the table above can be considered for proposed vault toilets on site. The provided earth pressure coefficients assume a horizontal back-slope.

<sup>2</sup> Canadian Geotechnical Society. 2006. Canadian Foundation Engineering Manual, Fourth Edition.

## 5.2 Frost Penetration Depth

The near surface soils on site have a low to medium (i.e. category F2 – gravels and sands) frost susceptibility. The maximum seasonal frost penetration depth was calculated for the near-surface soils using the procedure described in CFEM. A mean freezing index of 1,100°C days based on a 30-year return period was used for the site. The maximum seasonal frost penetration depth is estimated to be 2.1 mbgs. The estimated frost penetration depth assumes a uniform soil type without snow cover.

Foundation elements of heated and unheated structures should have a minimum frost protection equivalent to a soil cover of at least 1.5 m and 2.1 m for frost protection purposes, respectively. Rigid insulation may be used to provide frost protection equivalent to the required soil cover. Insulation used for frost protection should be placed at a minimum depth of 0.6 m below the finished ground surface and the top 0.6 m of backfill should be ignored for equivalent frost penetration calculation purposes.

## 5.3 Site Preparation

Site preparation is required for the proposed washroom buildings and vault toilet buildings

From a geotechnical perspective, all existing fill material, vegetation, organic material, topsoil and other deleterious material should be removed from beneath the proposed structures. The exposed subgrade should be reviewed by WSP geotechnical engineering staff prior to placement of any new fill, foundation forms, or concrete to confirm suitability for load bearing purposes. Any soft/weak areas should be over-excavated and backfilled using properly compacted, engineered fill. Upon review by a geotechnical engineer, a proof-roll test using a loaded single-axle gravel truck (or equivalent) shall be completed. Any areas which demonstrate rutting, cracking or other deformations should be examined in detail by WSP geotechnical engineering staff and remedial action taken, as required.

To reduce differential movements within the site, it is recommended that general site preparation of the site be completed.

The subgrade should be sloped a minimum of 2% to promote drainage. No water should be allowed to pond at any time during construction. Do not allow vehicle traffic over approved subgrade as it leads to softening. Any areas that become soft and wet due to construction traffic should be remediated and re-proof rolled.

Engineered fill, associated with the proposed construction, may consist of the in-situ till or imported cohesionless material. Imported material for use as engineered fill should be approved by a geotechnical engineer before placement. All engineered fill materials must be free of oversized rocks over 100 mm in diameter, organics, roots, debris, and other deleterious materials.

Engineered fill should be placed in lifts not exceeding 150 mm loose measure, and be compacted to minimum 98% Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (SPMDD). The moisture content at placement should be within -3% to +1% of its Optimum Moisture Content (OMC) for compaction purposes. In areas where the engineered fill is required for structural support (i.e., structural fill), it should be compacted to 100% of SPMDD.

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 fill. Subgrade surfaces that are allowed to dry or become wet must be scarified, moisture conditioned, and re-compacted.

## 5.4 Foundations

Based on the subsurface ground conditions encountered, shallow foundations in the form of spread and strip footings are considered suitable foundation systems for the proposed washroom buildings at Minnewanka Day-Use Area and Castle Mountain Campground.

The foundation design parameters provided in this report are presented in terms of Limit States Design, as per National Building Code of Canada (NBCC<sup>3</sup>) and CFEM.

### 5.4.1 Shallow Foundations

Shallow foundations in the form of spread and strip footings founded on native till are considered suitable for the soil conditions encountered at the project site. Footings must not be placed in existing fill. An unfactored ultimate bearing resistance of 375 kPa at Ultimate Limit State (ULS) should be utilized for the design of spread and strip footings with minimum embedment depth of 0.5 mbgs and width ranging from 0.5 m to 2.5 m. The embedment depth is to be measured from ground surface or from the top of adjacent slabs-on-grade, whichever is less. A resistance factor ( $\phi$ ) of 0.5 as per NBCC should be applied to determine the factored bearing resistance at ULS.

The bearing pressures at Serviceability Limit States (SLS) for strip and spread footing foundations bearing on till vary with footing size. When applying the factored geotechnical bearing resistance on footing sizes ranging from 0.5 to 2.5 metre widths, settlements are expected not to exceed 25 mm.

In calculation of the geotechnical bearing resistance and the settlement of the foundations, it was assumed that proper moisture barrier system will be employed to minimize moisture fluctuation.

The recommended geotechnical design bearing resistance and pressure have been determined for vertical, concentric loading, as described in CFEM. For footings subjected to eccentric loads, the following equivalent footing width shall be used to calculate the design values (i.e., bearing resistance and bearing pressure) of the footing:

$$B' = B - 2e$$
$$L' = L - 2e$$

Where  $B'$  is the equivalent footing width;  $B$  is the actual footing width;  $L'$  is the equivalent footing width,  $L$  is the actual footing width, and  $e$  is the eccentricity of the load. Effects of inclined loads, if any, shall also be considered as discussed in the CFEM.

The ultimate lateral resistance of footings may be calculated by considering the sliding resistance acting along the footing base and the passive earth pressure resistance of permanent soil on the side of the buried structure opposite the applied lateral load. The ultimate sliding resistance at the foundation base may be calculated multiplying the total vertical load acting on the foundation by the coefficient of friction. A coefficient of friction of 0.4 is recommended between concrete foundation base and the soil bearing surface. A geotechnical resistance factor of 0.8 should be considered for factored lateral capacity of the foundation.

Bearing surfaces should be protected from ingress of free water, typically resulting in softening of soils. Footings must not be placed on any uncontrolled fill, organic, disturbed, or frozen soil. Bearing soil that becomes frozen, dried, or softened must be removed and replaced with concrete, or the footings should be extended to reach soil in an unaffected condition. It is also essential that the foundation soil not be allowed to freeze after the concrete

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<sup>3</sup> National Building Code of Canada, 13<sup>th</sup> Edition 2010, National Research Council

for the footing has been poured. If freezing of the soil below the constructed footing is suspected, the soil and the foundation must be inspected by WSP geotechnical engineering staff prior to continuing construction. It is essential that the foundation soil not be allowed to freeze at any time before or after pouring of concrete. It is also recommended that all foundation bearing soils be inspected by WSP geotechnical engineering staff to confirm the soil conditions and associated bearing capacity.

## 5.5 Slab-On-Grade Construction

A slab-on-grade is considered suitable, provided that the subgrade soils underneath slab-on-grade areas are prepared as outlined in Section 5.3 of this report. It is important that the subgrade surface be protected from moisture changes and freezing temperatures both during and after construction in order to minimize the potential of frost heave/thaw and softening action on the subgrade soils.

A layer of granular material (such as 25 mm crushed gravel or approved equivalent) of at least 200 mm in thickness should be placed immediately beneath slab-on-grade for levelling and support purposes. This material should be compacted to 100% SPMDD at moisture content within -3% to +1% of OMC.

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.

## 5.6 Subsurface Structures Wall

The walls of any subsurface structures will likely be restrained from moving, and therefore should be designed to resist at-rest lateral earth pressures. The at-rest earth pressure coefficient for design purposes may be taken as the values presented in Table 3. The total pressure on the walls will consist of the cumulative loading imposed by earth pressure, water pressure, and surcharge due to surface or foundation loads.

The lateral earth pressure distribution ( $p$ ) may be assumed to increase with depth according to:

$$p = K (\gamma z + q)$$

Where:	$p$	=	lateral earth pressure (kPa)
	$K$	=	coefficient of lateral earth pressure
	$\gamma$	=	unit weight of soil
	$z$	=	depth from top of wall (m)
	$q$	=	surcharge load (kPa)

It is recommended to backfill temporary excavation around the building perimeter with clean, well graded granular material, compacted to 95% SPMDD.

The above design values assume horizontal ground conditions at the top of the wall. If sloping ground exists, these values would increase as described in CFEM. Lateral pressures due to irregular surface loads, traffic loads or foundation loads should be added where applicable.

## 5.7 Temporary Excavations

Temporary excavations at the site should be sloped or shored for worker and foundation protection. Construction must conform to good practice and comply with regulations, such as the Alberta Construction Safety Regulations. According to the Occupational Health and Safety Code Part 32<sup>4</sup>, the soil is to be classified as “soft, sandy or loose”; therefore, excavation walls must be sloped 45° from the base of the excavation. WSP should be given the opportunity to review the proposed excavation layout and to provide further guidance if steeper cut slopes are desired.

Excavations must not undermine the foundations of existing buildings that are to be left in place.

Excavations of more than 3.0 meter depths should be subject to a detailed slope stability analysis to determine minimum slope angles or other means to provide a safe temporary work environment.

Excavations must be protected from rain, snow, or any ingress of free water. Prolonged exposure of excavated areas should be avoided to prevent deterioration of exposed soil with resultant slope instability. Similarly, excavated materials should be stockpiled away from the excavations to avoid any slope instability and to prevent materials from falling into excavations. Temporary surcharge loads, such as stock of material or heavy equipment, should be kept back from excavation faces a distance equal to at least one-half the excavation depth.

Based on conditions encountered during drilling and the measured groundwater levels, seepage is not anticipated in excavations up to 2.5 m in depth. Dewatering of excavations will be dependent upon weather conditions and the time of year of construction. If seepage is encountered during construction, groundwater may be controlled by sump and pumping methods. The groundwater level should be maintained a minimum of 0.5 m below excavation grade at all times. During construction, the prepared subgrade surface should be shaped to prevent ponding of water on the site. Excess water should not be allowed to pond and should be drained or pumped from within the building footprint and areas subject to surface improvements as quickly as possible.

## 5.8 Permanent Dewatering and Site Drainage

WSP recommends installing a perimeter drainage system (i.e. weeping tile) comprising of a minimum 100 mm diameter slotted or perforated PVC pipe, surrounded by minimum 150 mm of free draining gravel. The gravel should be wrapped in a non-woven geotextile to mitigate migration of fines and extend the life of the system.

It is recommended that the final grading of the site be designed such that surface water is directed away from all structures. Site grading within 2 m of building perimeters should be sloped at no less than 2% away from any building structures. Surface water should not be permitted to pond or flow adjacent to foundations and roof and other drains should discharge away from the structures.

## 5.9 Seismic Site Classification

Available information was reviewed to assess the seismic classification of the project site. The reviewed information included the Borehole Records, the National Building Code of Canada (NBCC)<sup>5</sup> and CFEM.

The site classification for Seismic Site Response is provided in Sections 4.1.8.4 of NBCC and in Chapter 6 of CFEM and is determined using the expected shear wave velocity, Standard Penetration Resistance N-value and

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<sup>4</sup> Occupational Health and Safety Act, Occupational Health and Safety Code 2009, Government of Alberta, 2009

<sup>5</sup> National Research Council; 2015; National Building Code of Canada

undrained shear strength within the top 30 m. Based on the available information, the average ground properties in the upper 30 m at the site are inferred to stiff soil, corresponding to Class C as per Table 6.1A, CFEM.

## 5.10 Water Soluble Sulphate

The results from the soluble sulphate content laboratory tests are summarized in Sections 4.1.7, 4.1.8, 4.1.9 and 4.2.3.

One test result (i.e. Castle Mountain 18BH08) indicated a moderate degree of exposure (class S-3) to sulphate attack on concrete in contact with the soil as per degree CSA A23.1-14<sup>6</sup>. The remainder of the tests had a negligible degree of sulphate exposure. Any imported soils should be tested for water soluble sulphate concentration and associated sulphate exposure classification.

Concrete properties should be specified by the structural engineer to meet structural requirements and exposure to freeze and thawing and/or chlorides.

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As boreholes are a localized representation of the total study area, subsurface conditions may vary between and/or beyond the borehole locations. If conditions encountered at the site vary significantly from that reported herein, WSP should be notified immediately so that our interpretation and recommendations can be reviewed and revised, if necessary.

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<sup>6</sup> Canadian Standards Association; 2014; Concrete Materials and Methods of Concrete Construction, Canadian Standards Association International; CSA A23.1-14



# APPENDIX

## A TERMS OF REFERENCE



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# APPENDIX

## **B** SITE PLAN AND BOREHOLE LOGS





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SOURCE Imagery Provided by Parks Canada		CLIENT NAME Parks Canada	PROJECT NUMBER 181-13597-12
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				Site Plan Banff Campground Geotechnical Investigation Lake Minnewanka, AB			
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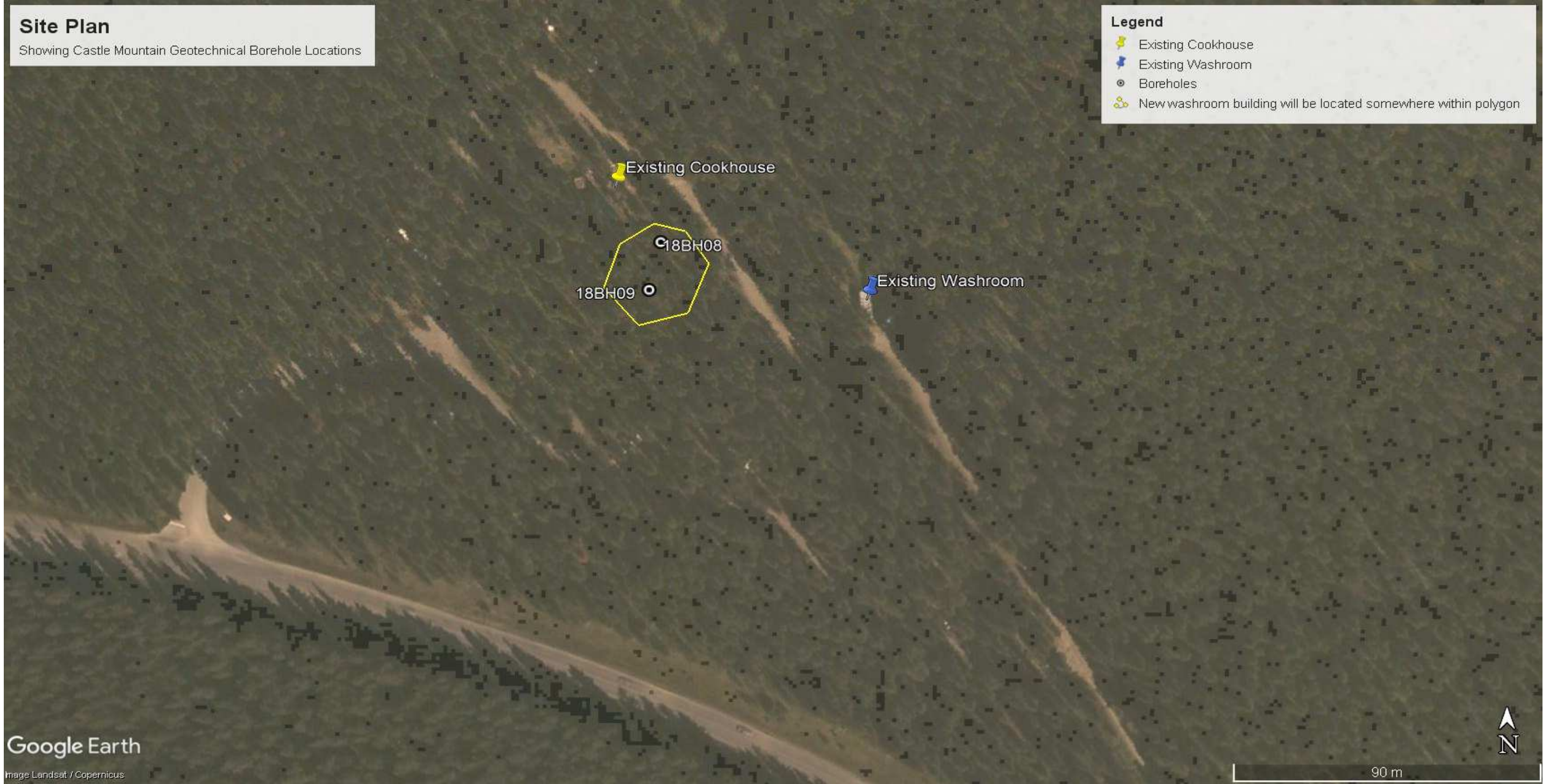





Site Plan  
Banff Campground Geotechnical Investigation  
Lake Minnewanka, AB

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18BH01 (Minnewanka Site B)

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Project No: 181-13597-12

Lat: 51.24801 Long: -115.50031

Depth (m) (ft)	Description	C	N	Type/ Sample #	Water Level	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
2	brown, <b>GRANULAR FILL</b> , sand and gravel, dry													
	brown, <b>SILT FILL</b> , sandy, trace clay, dry													
4				G										
6	completely weathered, extremely weak, brown, ( <b>rafted</b> ) <b>BEDROCK</b> , moist		14	SPT										
8				G										
	loose, dark brown, <b>SILT TILL</b> , some sand, some clay, some gravel, wet													
10	at 3.0 m - water seepage													
	loose, greyish brown, <b>SAND &amp; GRAVEL TILL</b> , silty, clayey, wet, bedrock fragments		6	SPT										
12	at 3.0 m - 12.5% gravel, 44.2% sand, 34.1% silt and 6.2% clay based on lab test													
	at 3.0 m - 0.076% sulphate based on lab test													
14				G										
	at 4.5 m - more bedrock fragments													
16	at 4.8 m - refusal on inferred intact bedrock End of borehole at 4.8 m due to refusal.		refusal	SPT										
18														
20														
22														

C: Condition of Sample

Good   
Disturbed   
No Recovery

Type: Type of Sampler

SPT: 2 in. standard  
ST: Shelby  
G: Grab  
CORE

N: Number of Blows

WH: Weight of Hammer  
WR: Weight of Rod  
Standard Penetration Test: ASTM D1586  
Hammer Type:

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Plastic Limit (%) Liquid Limit (%)

Moisture Content (%)  
Ground Water Level  
Shear strength in kPa (Torrane)  
Pocket Penetrometer  
(compressive strength in kPa)  
Shear strength in kPa  
(Unconfined)  
Shear strength in kPa (Field vane)  
Remolded strength in kPa  
Percent Passing # 200 sieve

Drill Method:

Sonic

Date Drilled: 21/10/2018

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18BH02 (Minnewanka Site A)

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Project No: 181-13597-12

Lat: 51.24804 Long: -115.49910

Depth (m) (ft)		Description	C	N	Type/ Sample #	Water Level	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
		dark brown, <b>TOPSOIL (300 mm thick)</b> , moist													
2		compact, reddish brown, <b>SAND TILL</b> , and silt, some clay, dry													
4		loose, greyish brown, <b>SAND &amp; GRAVEL TILL</b> , silty, cobbles, dry			G										
6		from 1.5 - increase cobbles, dense, increased gravel			G										
2		at 1.8 m - refusal on inferred intact bedrock End of borehole at 1.8 m due to refusal.													
8															
10															
12															
14															
16															
18															
20															
22															

C: Condition of Sample

Good   
Disturbed   
No Recovery

Type: Type of Sampler

SPT: 2 in. standard  
ST: Shelby  
G: Grab  
CORE

N: Number of Blows

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WR: Weight of Rod  
Standard Penetration Test: ASTM D1586  
Hammer Type:

Plastic Limit (%) Liquid Limit (%)

Moisture Content (%)  
Ground Water Level  
Shear strength in kPa (Torvane)  
Pocket Penetrometer  
(compressive strength in kPa)  
Shear strength in kPa  
(Unconfined)  
Shear strength in kPa (Field vane)  
Remolded strength in kPa  
Percent Passing # 200 sieve

Drill Method: Sonic

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18BH03 (Minnewanka Site A)

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Project No: 181-13597-12

Lat: 51.24804 Long: -115.49910

Depth (m) (ft)	Description	C	N	Type/ Sample #	Water Level	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
	dark grey, <b>SAND FILL</b> , and silt, some clay, some gravel, dry													
2	loose, reddish brown, <b>SAND TILL</b> , and silt, trace clay, trace gravel, moist, trace coal, trace oxides			G										
4	compact, greyish brown, <b>SAND &amp; GRAVEL TILL</b> , silty, dry													
6			17	SPT										
8	from 2.3 m - bedrock fragments, increased gravel, cobbles			G										
	at 2.6 m - refusal on inferred intact bedrock End of borehole at 2.6 m due to refusal.			refusal	SPT									
10														
12														
14														
16														
18														
20														
22														

C: Condition of Sample

Good   
Disturbed   
No Recovery

Type: Type of Sampler

SPT: 2 in. standard  
ST: Shelby  
G: Grab  
CORE

N: Number of Blows

WH: Weight of Hammer  
WR: Weight of Rod  
Standard Penetration Test: ASTM D1586  
Hammer Type:

Plastic Limit (%) Liquid Limit (%)

Moisture Content (%)  
Ground Water Level  
Shear strength in kPa (Torrane)  
Pocket Penetrometer  
(compressive strength in kPa)  
Shear strength in kPa  
(Unconfined)  
Shear strength in kPa (Field vane)  
Remolded strength in kPa  
Percent Passing # 200 sieve

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Depth (m) (ft)	Description	C	N	Type/ Sample #	Water Level	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
2	dark brown, <b>SILT FILL</b> , gravelly, clayey, some sand, dry			G										
4	loose, reddish brown, <b>SAND TILL</b> , and silt, trace clay, trace gravel, dry, trace oxides													
6	from 1.5 m - brown at 1.5 m - 8.3% gravel, 48.2% sand, 41.5% silt and 2.0% clay based on lab test at 1.5 m - 0.042% sulphate based on lab test		6	SPT										
2	at 2.0 m - refusal on inferred intact bedrock End of borehole at 2.0 m due to refusal.		refusal	SPT										
8														
10														
12														
14														
16														
18														
20														
22														

C: Condition of Sample

Good   
Disturbed   
No Recovery

Type: Type of Sampler

SPT: 2 in. standard  
ST: Shelby  
G: Grab  
CORE

N: Number of Blows

WH: Weight of Hammer  
WR: Weight of Rod  
Standard Penetration Test: ASTM D1586  
Hammer Type:

Plastic Limit (%) Liquid Limit (%)

Moisture Content (%)  
Ground Water Level  
Shear strength in kPa (Torvane)  
Pocket Penetrometer  
(compressive strength in kPa)  
Shear strength in kPa  
(Unconfined)  
Shear strength in kPa (Field vane)  
Remolded strength in kPa  
Percent Passing # 200 sieve

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Depth (m) (ft)	Description	C	N	Type/ Sample #	Water Level	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
2	dark brown, <b>SILT FILL</b> , gravelly, clayey, some sand, dry			G										
4	loose, reddish brown, <b>SAND TILL</b> , and silt, trace clay, trace gravel, dry, trace oxides													
6	from 1.5 m - silty, brown		7	SPT										
2	at 2.1 m - refusal on inferred intact bedrock End of borehole at 2.1 m due to refusal.		refusal	SPT										
8														
10														
12														
14														
16														
18														
20														
22														

C: Condition of Sample

Good   
Disturbed   
No Recovery

Type: Type of Sampler

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Standard Penetration Test: ASTM D1586  
Hammer Type:

Plastic Limit (%) Liquid Limit (%)

Moisture Content (%)  
Ground Water Level  
Shear strength in kPa (Torvane)  
Pocket Penetrometer  
(compressive strength in kPa)  
Shear strength in kPa  
(Unconfined)  
Shear strength in kPa (Field vane)  
Remolded strength in kPa  
Percent Passing # 200 sieve

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Lat: 51.25035 Long: -115.49598

Depth (m) (ft)	Description	C	N	Type/ Sample #	Water Level	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
2	dark brown, <b>SAND FILL</b> , gravelly, some clay, moist			G										
4	firm, brown, <b>CLAY TILL</b> , silty, some sand, trace gravel, moist to wet, trace oxides, trace coal													
	at 1.4 m - 0.044% sulphate based on lab test			G										
	at 1.5 m - refusal on inferred intact bedrock End of borehole at 1.5 m due to refusal.		refusal	SPT										
6														
8														
10														
12														
14														
16														
18														
20														
22														

C: Condition of Sample

Good   
Disturbed   
No Recovery

Type: Type of Sampler

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ST : Shelby  
G : Grab  
CORE

N: Number of Blows

WH : Weight of Hammer  
WR : Weight of Rod  
Standard Penetration Test : ASTM D1586  
Hammer Type:

Plastic Limit (%) Liquid Limit (%)

Moisture Content (%)  
Ground Water Level  
Shear strength in kPa (Torvane)  
Pocket Penetrometer  
(compressive strength in kPa)  
Shear strength in kPa  
(Unconfined)  
Shear strength in kPa (Field vane)  
Remolded strength in kPa  
Percent Passing # 200 sieve

Drill Method:

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18BH07 (Minnewanka Site C)

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Project No: 181-13597-12

Lat: 51.25031 Long: -115.49604

Depth (m) (ft)	Description	C	N	Type/ Sample #	Water Level	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
	dark brown, <b>SAND FILL</b> , gravelly, some clay, moist													
2	loose, grey, <b>SAND TILL</b> , silty, some gravel, moist to wet, trace oxides			G										
4	firm, brown, <b>CLAY TILL</b> , silty, some sand, trace gravel, moist to wet, trace oxides, trace coal			G										
6	at 1.5 m - refusal on inferred intact bedrock End of borehole at 1.5 m due to refusal.		refusal	SPT										
2														
8														
10														
12														
14														
16														
18														
20														
22														

C: Condition of Sample

Good ☒  
Disturbed ☐  
No Recovery ☐

Type: Type of Sampler

SPT : 2 in. standard  
ST : Shelby  
G : Grab  
CORE

N: Number of Blows

WH : Weight of Hammer  
WR : Weight of Rod  
Standard Penetration Test : ASTM D1586  
Hammer Type:

DYNAMIC CONE PENETRATION TEST

Plastic Limit (%) Liquid Limit (%)

Moisture Content (%)  
Ground Water Level  
Shear strength in kPa (Torvane)  
Pocket Penetrometer  
(compressive strength in kPa)  
Shear strength in kPa  
(Unconfined)  
Shear strength in kPa (Field vane)  
Remolded strength in kPa  
Percent Passing # 200 sieve

Drill Method:

Sonic

Date Drilled: 21/10/2018

Logged by: AB

Checked by: SB

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18BH08 (Castle Mtn 18BH02)

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Project No: 181-13597-12

Lat: 51.26871 Long: -115.91091

Depth (m) (ft)	Description	Piezo 1	C	N	Type/ Sample #	Water Level	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
0	dark brown, <b>TOPSOIL (150 mm thick)</b> , moist														
2	compact, reddish brown, <b>SAND TILL</b> , silty, trace clay, moist			5	SPT										
4	compact, grey to brown, <b>GRAVEL &amp; SAND TILL</b> , dry				G										
6	from 1.5 m - cobbles, boulders at 1.5 m - 58.7% gravel, 32.6% sand, 8.7% silt/clay based on lab test at 1.5 m - 0.100% sulphate based on lab test			76	SPT										
8					G										
10															
12	at 3.0 m - water seepage very stiff, light beige, <b>CLAY</b> , medium plastic, wet			18	SPT										
14					G										
16	dense to very dense, grey to brown, <b>GRAVEL &amp; SAND TILL</b> , cobbles, boulders			41	SPT										
18					G										
20															
22	End of borehole at 6.6 m.			67	SPT										

C: Condition of Sample

Good   
Disturbed   
No Recovery

Type: Type of Sampler

SPT: 2 in. standard  
ST: Shelby  
G: Grab  
CORE

N: Number of Blows

WH: Weight of Hammer  
WR: Weight of Rod  
Standard Penetration Test: ASTM D1586  
Hammer Type:

Plastic Limit (%) Liquid Limit (%)

Moisture Content (%)  
Ground Water Level  
Shear strength in kPa (Torvane)  
Pocket Penetrometer  
(compressive strength in kPa)  
Shear strength in kPa  
(Unconfined)  
Shear strength in kPa (Field vane)  
Remolded strength in kPa  
Percent Passing # 200 sieve

Bentonite/Grout Plug

Solid Pipe  
Cuttings  
Slotted Pipe  
Sand/Pea-Gravel

Drill Method:

Sonic  
Date Drilled: 18/10/2018  
Logged by: AB  
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18BH09 (Castle Mtn 18BH03)

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Project No: 181-13597-12

Lat: 51.26857 Long: -115.91096

Depth (m) (ft)	Description	C	N	Type/ Sample #	Water Level	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
0	dark brown, <b>TOPSOIL (300 mm thick)</b> , moist													
2	compact, grey to brown, <b>GRAVEL &amp; SAND TILL</b> , dry			G										
4				G										
6				G										
8				G										
10	at 3.0 m - water seepage very stiff, light beige, <b>CLAY</b> , medium plastic, wet			G										
12				G										
14				G										
16	End of borehole at 4.6 m.													
18														
20														
22														

C: Condition of Sample

Good   
Disturbed   
No Recovery

Type: Type of Sampler

SPT: 2 in. standard  
ST: Shelby  
G: Grab  
CORE

N: Number of Blows

WH: Weight of Hammer  
WR: Weight of Rod  
Standard Penetration Test: ASTM D1586  
Hammer Type:

Plastic Limit (%) Liquid Limit (%)

Moisture Content (%)  
Ground Water Level  
Shear strength in kPa (Torrane)  
Pocket Penetrometer  
(compressive strength in kPa)  
Shear strength in kPa  
(Unconfined)  
Shear strength in kPa (Field vane)  
Remolded strength in kPa  
Percent Passing # 200 sieve

Drill Method:

Sonic

Date Drilled: 18/10/2018

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# APPENDIX

## C LABORATORY TEST RESULTS





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## MOISTURE CONTENT (ASTM D2216)

TRN: 18-050

Client: Parks Canada				Sampled By: AB			
Project: Banff Campground Geotechnical				Tested By: DH			
Job No.: 181-13597-12				Sample Date: October 18, 2018			
Report Date: December 3, 2018				Test Date: November 14, 2018			
<b>BH No. (Site B)</b>	<b>BH18-01</b>	<b>BH18-01</b>	<b>BH18-01</b>	<b>BH18-01</b>	<b>BH18-01</b>	<b>BH18-01</b>	
Depth in meter	0.75	1.50	2.25	3.00	3.75	4.50	
Tare No.	# 726	# 1326	# 107	# 504	# 836	# 1016	
Wt. Tare, g	11.3	11.2	11.4	11.5	11.5	11.6	
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	466.6	380.4	467.2	536.1	542.8	457.2	
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	416.4	342.6	439.8	501.8	509.0	418.6	
Wt. Water, g	50.2	37.8	27.4	34.3	33.8	38.6	
Wt. Dry Soil, g	405.1	331.4	428.4	490.3	497.5	407.0	
Moisture Content (%)	<b>12.4</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>9.5</b>	
<b>BH No. (Site A)</b>	<b>BH18-03</b>	<b>BH18-03</b>	<b>BH18-03</b>	<b>BH18-03</b>			
Depth in meter	0.75	1.5	2.25	2.6			
Tare No.	# 208	# 1021	# 358	M-113			
Wt. Tare, g	11.3	11.5	11.5	11.4			
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	359.9	453.7	494.9	545.9			
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	323.4	444.6	479.9	541.5			
Wt. Water, g	36.5	9.1	15.0	4.4			
Wt. Dry Soil, g	312.1	433.1	468.4	530.1			
Moisture Content (%)	<b>11.7</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>			
<b>BH No. (Site A)</b>	<b>BH18-04</b>	<b>BH18-04</b>	<b>BH18-04</b>	<b>BH18-04</b>			
Depth in meter	0.75	1.5	2.0	3.5			
Tare No.	M-480	# 679	747	# 728			
Wt. Tare, g	11	11.4	11.1	11.8			
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	436.5	370.1	337.0	572.1			
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	388.2	357.1	324.0	561.1			
Wt. Water, g	48.3	13.0	13.0	11.0			
Wt. Dry Soil, g	377.2	345.7	312.9	549.3			
Moisture Content (%)	<b>12.8</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>2.0</b>			

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TRN: 18-050

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Project: Banff Campground Geotechnical				Tested By: DH			
Job No.: 181-13597-12				Sample Date: October 18, 2018			
Report Date: December 3, 2018				Test Date: November 14, 2018			
<b>BH No. (Site A)</b>	<b>BH18-05</b>	<b>BH18-05</b>	<b>BH18-05</b>				
Depth in meter	0.75	1.50	2.10				
Tare No.	# 794	# 582	# 825				
Wt. Tare, g	11.4	11.4	11.5				
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	430.1	374.7	289.6				
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	407.7	354.1	273.0				
Wt. Water, g	22.4	20.6	16.6				
Wt. Dry Soil, g	396.3	342.7	261.5				
Moisture Content (%)	<b>5.7</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>6.3</b>				
<b>BH No. (Site C)</b>	<b>BH18-06</b>	<b>BH18-06</b>	<b>BH18-06</b>				
Depth in meter	0.75	1.0	1.50				
Tare No.	# 811	# 1314	# 1420				
Wt. Tare, g	11.5	11	11.7				
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	460.6	450.0	25.6				
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	439.6	361.8	25.1				
Wt. Water, g	21.0	88.2	0.5				
Wt. Dry Soil, g	428.1	350.8	13.4				
Moisture Content (%)	<b>4.9</b>	<b>25.1</b>	<b>3.7</b>				
<b>BH No. (Site C)</b>	<b>BH18-07</b>	<b>BH18-07</b>					
Depth in meter	0.75	1.5					
Tare No.	# 363	# 497					
Wt. Tare, g	11.1	11.6					
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	399.5	448.7					
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	379.7	385.8					
Wt. Water, g	19.8	62.9					
Wt. Dry Soil, g	368.6	374.2					
Moisture Content (%)	<b>5.4</b>	<b>16.8</b>					

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Project:	Banff Campground Geotechnical			Tested By:	DH		
Job No.:	181-13597-12			Sample Date:	October 18, 2018		
Report Date:	December 3, 2018			Test Date:	November 14, 2018		
BH No.	<b>BH18-08</b>	<b>BH18-08</b>	<b>BH18-08</b>	<b>BH18-08</b>	<b>BH18-08</b>	<b>BH18-08</b>	<b>BH18-08</b>
Depth in feet	0.2	3.0	5.0	7.5	10.0	12.5	15.0
Tare No.	# 512	# 1559	639	# 397	# 585	M-538	# 801
Wt. Tare, g	11.6	11.6	12.3	11.3	11.6	11.7	11.7
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	373.3	529.3	437.2	711.2	515.4	459.6	517.0
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	336.0	510.9	435.3	706.4	465.9	377.1	500.7
Wt. Water, g	37.3	18.4	1.9	4.8	49.5	82.5	16.3
Wt. Dry Soil, g	324.4	499.3	423.0	695.1	454.3	365.4	489.0
Moisture Content (%)	<b>11.5</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>22.6</b>	<b>3.3</b>
BH No.	<b>BH18-08</b>	<b>BH18-08</b>					
Depth in feet	17.5	20.0					
Tare No.	# 1309	# 393					
Wt. Tare, g	11.0	11.2					
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	410.6	446.6					
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	394.4	435.8					
Wt. Water, g	16.2	10.8					
Wt. Dry Soil, g	383.4	424.6					
Moisture Content (%)	<b>4.2</b>	<b>2.5</b>					
BH No.							
Depth in meter							
Tare No.							
Wt. Tare, g							
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g							
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g							
Wt. Water, g							
Wt. Dry Soil, g							
Moisture Content (%)							

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## ATTERBERG LIMITS

(ASTM D4318)

TRN: 18-050

Client: Parks Canada  
Minnewanka  
Project: Banff Campground Geotechnical  
Job No.: 181-13597-12  
Report Date: December 4, 2018

Sampled By: AB  
Tested By: KB  
Sample Date: October 18 & 21, 2018  
Test Date: November 24th, 2018

Bore Hole No.: BH-6

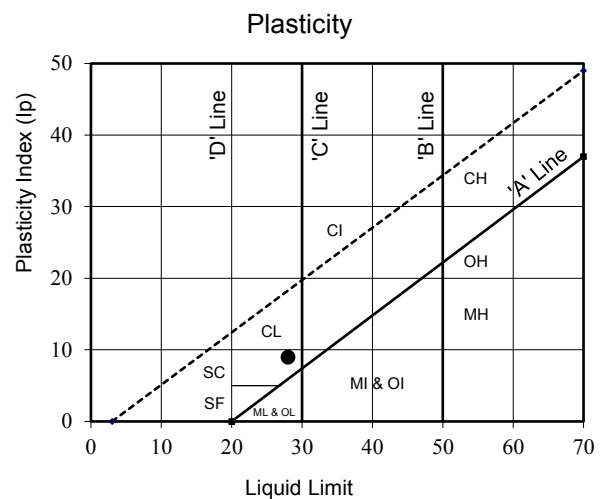
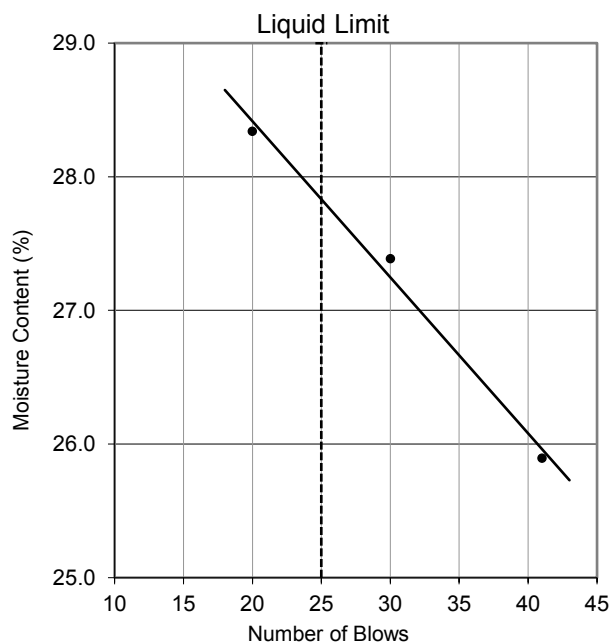
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### Liquid Limit Test

Trial	A	B	C
No. of Blows	20	30	41
Tare Number	LV-16	L-33	RP-11
Wt. of Tare, g	15.99	15.72	16.13
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	23.19	27.86	25.61
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	21.60	25.25	23.66
Wt. of Water, g	1.59	2.61	1.95
Wt. of Dry Soil, g	5.61	9.53	7.53
Moisture Content (%)	28.3	27.4	25.9

### Plastic Limit Test

Trial	A	B
Tare Number	L-23	L-37
Wt. of Tare, g	17.89	19.15
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	18.40	19.53
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	18.32	19.47
Wt. of Water, g	0.08	0.06
Wt. of Dry Soil, g	0.43	0.32
Moisture Content (%)	18.6	18.8



USCS Symbol CL  
Liquid Limit (%) 28  
Plastic Limit (%) 19  
Plasticity Index (%) 9

Soil Description: Low Plastic Clay

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## ATTERBERG LIMITS

(ASTM D4318)

TRN: 18-050

Client: Parks Canada  
 Castle Mountain  
 Project: Banff Campground Geotechnical  
 Job No.: 181-13597-12  
 Report Date: December 4, 2018

Sampled By: AB  
 Tested By: KB  
 Sample Date: October 18 & 21, 2018  
 Test Date: November 24th, 2018

**Bore Hole No.:** BH-8

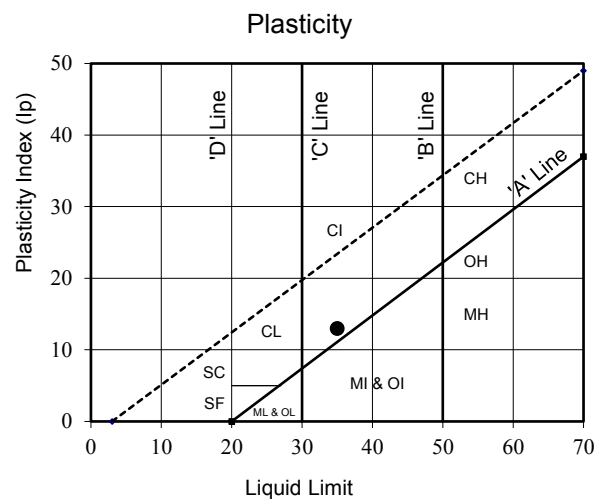
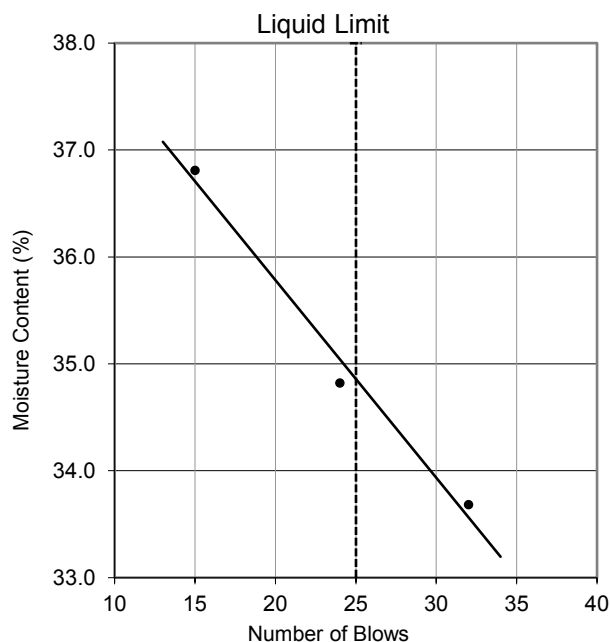
**Depth:** 12 feet

### Liquid Limit Test

Trial	A	B	C
No. of Blows	32	24	15
Tare Number	L-26	L-22	LV-15
Wt. of Tare, g	17.56	16.95	15.31
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	27.76	27.21	33.93
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	25.19	24.56	28.92
Wt. of Water, g	2.57	2.65	5.01
Wt. of Dry Soil, g	7.63	7.61	13.61
Moisture Content (%)	33.7	34.8	36.8

### Plastic Limit Test

Trial	A	B
Tare Number	# 287	L-31
Wt. of Tare, g	16.92	11.69
Wt. Wet Soil + Tare, g	17.41	12.26
Wt. Dry Soil + Tare, g	17.32	12.16
Wt. of Water, g	0.09	0.10
Wt. of Dry Soil, g	0.40	0.47
Moisture Content (%)	22.5	21.3



USCS Symbol CI  
 Liquid Limit (%) 35  
 Plastic Limit (%) 22  
 Plasticity Index (%) 13

Soil Description: Medium Plastic Clay

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Project Number: 181-13597-12  
Report Number: 18-050

To: Parks Canada

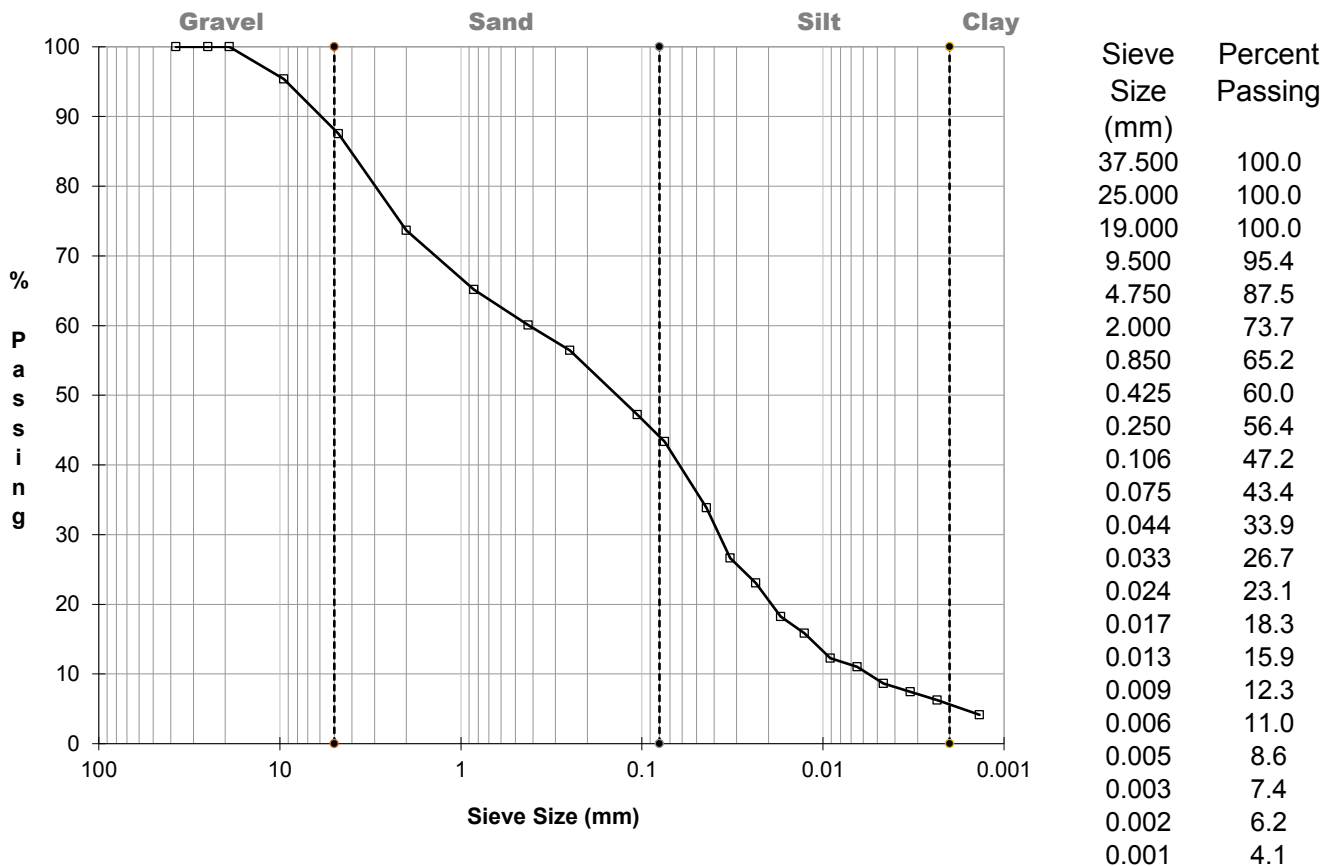
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Borehole No.: BH-01  
Sample Depth: 3 m  
Source: Minnewaka  
Sampled By: AB  
Tested By: KB

October 18- 21, 2018

November 26- 27, 2016

October 18- 21, 2018



Gravel = 12.5 %  
Sand = 44.2 %  
Silt = 37.1 %  
Clay = 6.2 %

Remarks:

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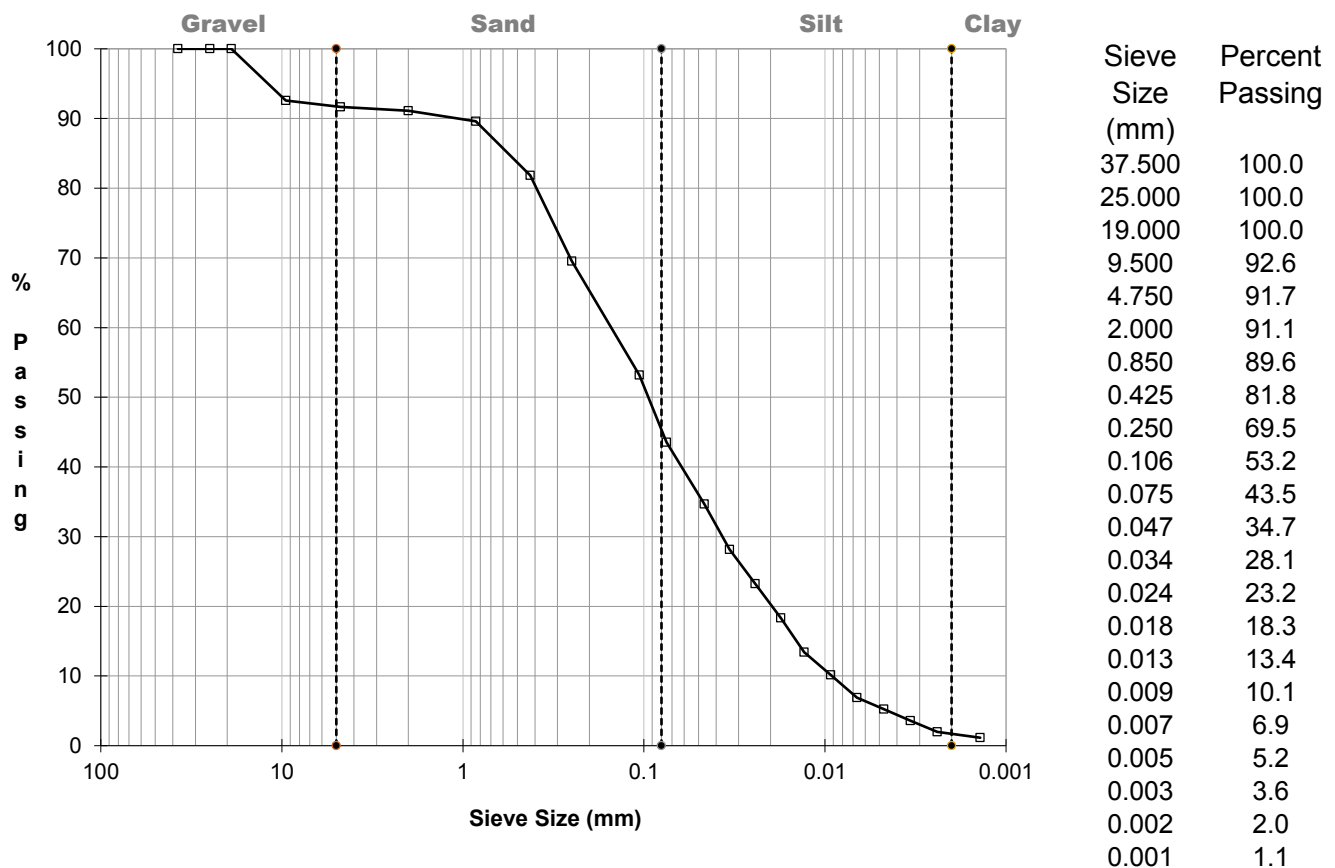
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Borehole No.: BH-04  
Sample Depth: 1.5 m  
Source: Jobsite  
Sampled By: AB  
Tested By: KB

October 18- 21, 2018

November 26- 27, 2016

October 18- 21, 2018



Gravel = 8.3 %  
Sand = 48.2 %  
Silt = 41.5 %  
Clay = 2.0 %

Remarks:

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# Sieve Analysis

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Project Number: **181-13597-12**  
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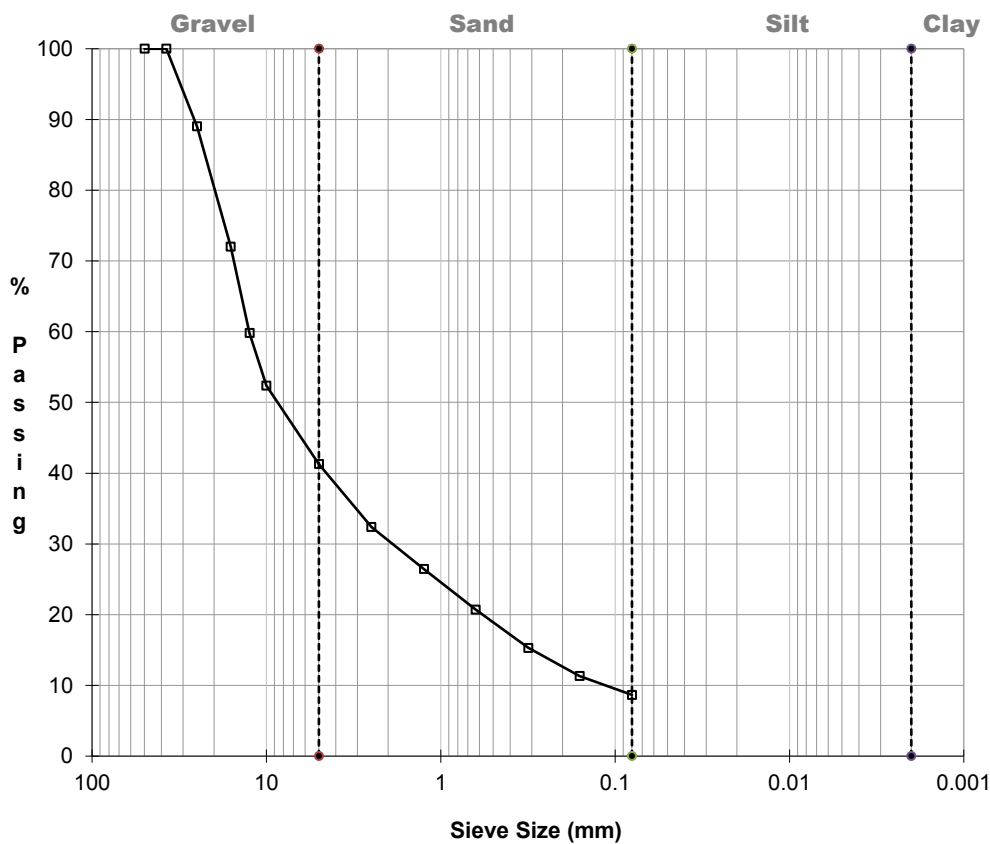
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Borehole No.: BH-8  
Sample Depth: 5 feet  
Source: Jobsite  
Sampled By: AB  
Tested By: KB

**Project:** Banff Campground Geotechnical  
Castle Mountain

Sampled Date: October 18, 2018

Test Date: Dec 05, 2018



Gravel	=	58.7
Sand	=	32.6
Silt/Clay	=	8.7

Remarks:

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## SULPHATE TEST

(ASTM C1580)

TRN: 18-050

Client: Parks Canada  
Project: Banff Campground Geotechnical  
Job No.: 181-13597-12  
Report Date: December 3, 2018

Sampled By: AB  
Tested By: DH  
Sample Date: October 2018  
Test Date: November 24, 2018

BH No. (Minnewanka)	BH18-01	BH18-04	BH18-01				
Depth in meter	3.00	1.50	1.00				
Tare No.	# 27	# 16.0	# 19.0				
Actual Reading	38.0	21.0	22.0				
Correction Factor	1	1	1				
Corrected Reading	38	21	22				
SO4 Content (%)	<b>0.076</b>	<b>0.042</b>	<b>0.044</b>				
BH No. (Castle Mtn.)	BH18-08						
Depth in meter	5.00						
Tare No.	# 15						
Actual Reading	50.0						
Correction Factor	1.0						
Corrected Reading	50						
SO4 Content (%)	<b>0.100</b>						
BH No.							
Depth in meter							
Tare No.							
Actual Reading							
Correction Factor							
Corrected Reading							
SO4 Content (%)							
BH No.							
Depth in meter							
Tare No.							
Actual Reading							
Correction Factor							
Corrected Reading							
SO4 Content (%)							

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