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## Acronyms and Abbreviations

	<b>Stands For</b>
Golder	Golder Associates Inc.
IFC	Issued for Construction
LLDPE	linear low density polyethylene
PGA	peak ground acceleration
Project	NorthMet Project
SPT	standard penetration test
USCS	Unified Soil Classification System
USFS	U.S. Forest Service

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## 1.0 Introduction

This Geotechnical Data Package – Volume 3 presents the geotechnical evaluations performed by Golder Associates Inc. (Golder) in support of the NorthMet Project (Project) waste rock stockpile designs presented in the Rock and Overburden Management Plan (Reference (1)) and the Water Management Plan – Mine Site (Reference (2)). This information is intended for use in preparing the Environmental Impact Statement, and to support Project permitting.

The overall plan for management of waste rock is to classify rock by its reactivity and place it in one of three stockpiles based on that classification. The lowest reactivity stockpile, Category 1, is a permanent stockpile. A groundwater containment system will be constructed to capture drainage from the Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile (see Section 2.1.2 of Reference (1)), and the stockpile will be progressively reclaimed with an engineered geomembrane cover system (see Section 3.0 of Reference (3)). The two higher reactivity stockpiles, Category 2/3 and Category 4, are temporary stockpiles, and waste rock from these stockpiles will be relocated to the East Pit after mining ceases in the East Pit. Engineered liner systems will be constructed beneath the temporary stockpiles to capture drainage (see Section 2.1.3 of Reference (1)).

The Mine Site exploration drilling locations, soil borings, and geophysical testing locations used for stockpile foundation design are shown in Attachment A. The majority of the relevant geotechnical data has been collected from the accessible highland areas. Because the surface rights over most of the Mine Site are owned by the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), further access is restricted until completion of the proposed land exchange with the USFS. A Phase II Geotechnical Investigation Work Plan will be developed during permitting to provide the basis to finalize the stockpile Issued for Construction (IFC) designs. It is Golder's opinion that the existing geotechnical database, in combination with knowledge of the regional surficial and bedrock geology and the conservative assumptions used to design the waste rock stockpile slopes and foundations, is sufficient to support a basic level engineering design and permitting for the proposed waste rock stockpiles. It is anticipated that any IFC level design modifications occurring after the current designs are finalized will not result in substantial modifications to the proposed stockpile geometry, design methodologies or performance.

### 1.1 Outline

This Geotechnical Data Package – Volume 3 presents the analyses and assumptions upon which recommendations are provided for the waste rock stockpile foundation preparation and liner system designs, and presents the methodology used to evaluate the slope stability of the recommended designs. The outline of this document is:

Section 1 Introduction

Section 2 Regulatory basis



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Section 5 Stockpile analysis and design inputs

Section 6 Stockpile analysis and design outcomes

Section 7 Certification

This document may evolve through the environmental review, permitting, operating and closure phases of the Project. A Revision History is included at the end of the document.

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## 2.0 Regulatory Basis

Requirements for stockpile design and reactive mine waste are included in the Nonferrous Metallic Mineral Mining Minnesota Administrative Rules, MNDNR Rules parts 6132.2400 and 6132.2200, respectively. Variances from these rules or alternative plans require review and approval by the MNDNR. Minnesota Rules, part [6132.2400 states that](#) Storage Piles (a.k.a. Stockpiles) must be designed and constructed to minimize hydrologic impacts, enhance the survival and propagation of vegetation, be structurally sound, control erosion, promote progressive reclamation, and recognize the conservation of mineral resources. Specific regulatory requirements for Stockpiles as excerpted from Minnesota Rules, part 6132.2400 are:

- A. General design: All storage piles shall be designed and constructed according to the standards in subitems (1) to (4).
  - (1) When mine waste is deposited on areas with unstable foundations such as peat, muskeg, bedded lacustrine deposits, karst topography, active seismic and flood zones, and areas above or within a mine, a professional engineer, registered in this state and proficient in the design, construction, operation, and reclamation of facilities on unstable foundations, shall examine the foundation and design the storage piles to ensure stability.
  - (2) Practices such as the use of vegetated buffer strips, hay bale dikes, silt fences, or settling basins shall be used to control erosion.
  - (3) Rills or gullies shall be observed to determine dominant runoff flow paths, which shall be stabilized to control runoff.
  - (4) Storage piles containing reactive mine waste must also comply with the requirements of Minnesota Rules, part [6132.2200](#).
- B. Rock storage piles: The final exterior slopes of lean ore, waste rock, and leached ore storage piles shall consist of benches and lifts as follows:
  - (1) No lift shall exceed 40 feet in height;
  - (2) No bench shall be less than 30 feet, measured from the crest of the lower lift to the toe of the next lift;
  - (3) The sloped area between benches shall be no steeper than the angle of repose; and
  - (4) When vegetation is required under Minnesota Rules, part [6132.2700](#), subpart 2, item A, subitem (13), the sloped areas between benches shall be prepared to support vegetation.
- C. Surface overburden: Surface overburden shall be disposed of according to subitems (1) and (2).

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- (1) When surface overburden is generated, it shall be placed in layers on the completed tops and benches of lean ore and waste rock storage piles to enhance reclamation potential.
  - (2) If no completed tops or benches are available, or if such sites are not within economic haul distances of surface stripping activities, surface overburden storage piles shall be created so that the final exterior slopes shall consist of benches and lifts as follows:
    - (a) No lift shall exceed 40 feet in height;
    - (b) No bench width shall be less than 30 feet wide, measured from the crest of the lower lift to the toe of the next lift;
    - (c) The sloped area between benches shall be no steeper than 2.5:1; and
    - (d) Runoff water shall either be temporarily stored on benches or removed by drainage control structures.
- D. Mixed storage piles: Lean ore and waste rock shall not be used to cover surface overburden storage piles to avoid compliance with sloping and vegetation requirements. This shall not preclude the abutting of lean ore or waste rock storage piles with surface overburden storage piles or the placement of lean ore or waste rock lifts on top of surface overburden pads or lifts.
- E. Alternative design: Based on acceptable research, the commissioner shall approve other measures that satisfy subpart 1.

Minnesota Rules, part 6132.2200 Reactive Mine Waste applicable to Stockpile design require that Reactive Mine Waste shall be mined, disposed of, and reclaimed to prevent the release of substances that result in the adverse impacts on natural resources. A reactive mine waste storage facility must be designed by professional engineers registered in Minnesota proficient in the design, construction, operation, and reclamation of facilities for the storage of reactive mine waste, to either:

- (1) Modify the physical or chemical characteristics of the mine waste, or store it in an environment, such that the waste is no longer reactive; or
- (2) During construction to the extent practicable, and at closure, permanently prevent substantially all water from moving through or over the mine waste and provide for the collection and disposal of any remaining residual waters that drain from the mine waste in compliance with federal and state standards.

The State of Minnesota requires submittal, review, and state approval of a quality control/quality assurance program for liner systems prior to construction. In addition, the State of Minnesota requires submittal of a construction documentation report that summarizes the details of the facility construction and presents the results of the quality

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assurance testing. Quality assurance testing is most often performed by the facility design engineer and a qualified independent testing laboratory. Quality assurance for facilities like the stockpile liners typically includes:

- Density testing of compacted structural fill materials.
- Peel and shear strength testing of seams in the geomembrane liner and/or cover systems.
- Overall confirmation of materials compliance with specifications.
- Construction surveying to confirm facility line and grade compliance with specifications.
- Maintenance of construction observation records and a photographic record of construction activities.
- Documentation of any variation from agency approved plans and specifications and the basis by which the variation is deemed acceptable to the facility design engineer.

Permit issuance for the facility will depend on compliance with an approved QA/QC plan. A construction QA/QC plan will be developed during permitting and submitted for agency approval.

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### 3.0 Existing Site Conditions

#### 3.1 Existing Site Data

The existing site conditions were evaluated using the site data summarized below:

- boring logs from a drilling program conducted by Barr in March 2005
- data from a Phase I field investigation conducted by Golder in April 2006
- data from a geotechnical investigation conducted by Barr in January 2008
- data from an overburden geotechnical investigation conducted by Barr in February 2010
- depth to bedrock point data obtained prior to March 2005, provided by Poly Met Mining Inc., based on electrical resistivity survey geophysics, geotechnical borings, and exploration borings
- Wetland delineation at the Mine Site conducted by Barr in 2006 (Reference (4))

Geotechnical boring locations by Barr (2005 and 2008) and test trench locations by Golder (2006) are shown in Attachment A.

Barr conducted a monitoring well installation program in March 2005. Eleven borings were completed as summarized in Table 3-1. The borings were advanced by WDC Exploration & Wells using rotasonic drilling methods. The advanced borings indicated bedrock depths ranging from 4 feet to more than 28.5 feet. The boring logs from the 2005 well installation program are included in Attachment B.

Golder conducted a Phase I geotechnical field and laboratory investigation in April 2006 to evaluate the subsurface conditions within the proposed stockpile footprints. The investigation program consisted of fifteen (15) test trenches (G06-TP1 through G06-TP15) excavated to depths ranging between 3.5 and 20 feet. Test trenches were excavated using a John Deere 690 ELC trackhoe operated by Radotich Enterprises, LLC. The test trenches were extended either to bedrock refusal or 20 feet, which was the limit of the trackhoe reach. Bedrock was encountered in 13 of the 15 test trenches at depths ranging from 3.5 to 15 feet. The Phase I geotechnical investigation report is included as Attachment C.

Barr conducted a rotasonic drilling program in January 2008 as a part of the Overburden Characterization Plan in support of the EIS. Twenty-four borings were advanced (RS-01B to RS-20A). Twenty-two borings were completed using an 8-inch diameter rotasonic core with a miniature all-terrain rig operated by Boart Longyear Company. The depth at which bedrock was encountered ranged from 5 to 33 feet, as summarized in Table 3-1. In addition, two borings were completed using a hollow stem hand auger. The hand auger borings

encountered boulder refusal at 0.5 and 2.0 feet, respectively. Borehole logs from the January 2008 geotechnical investigation conducted by Barr and the accompanying in-laboratory material test data are included as Attachment D.

Barr conducted a standard penetration test (SPT) and pressure meter test program in February 2010 as a part of overburden characterization in support of the DEIS. Four SPT borings and offset hollow stem auger borings for pressure meter testing and sample recovery were advanced (J003, J010, J027 and J037). Borings and testing were completed by American Engineering Testing, Inc. Borehole logs, pressure meter test data and soil test data from the February 2010 geotechnical investigation conducted by Barr are included as Attachment E. Barr (2010) data are generally consistent with findings from previous investigations.

**Table 3-1 Depth to Bedrock Data from Geotechnical Borings by Barr (2005, 2008) and Test Trench Investigations by Golder (2006)**

Barr (2005)		Golder (2006)		Barr (2008)	
Boring Number	Bedrock Depth Below Existing Grade (feet)	Boring Number	Bedrock Depth Below Existing Grade (feet)	Boring Number	Bedrock Depth Below Existing Grade (feet)
MW-05-02	5.0	GATP-06-1	> 20	RS-01B	20.5
MW-05-08	> 28.5	GATP-06-2	13.0	RS-03	22.0
MW-05-09	12.5	GATP-06-3	15.0	RS-04	25.0
SB-05-01	15.0	GATP-06-4	13.5	RS-05A	13.0
SB-05-03	16.0	GATP-06-5	14.0	RS-05B	> 5.0
SB-05-04	15.0	GATP-06-6	> 20	RS-06A	> 21.0
SB-05-05	8.0	GATP-06-7	3.5	RS-06R	21.0
SB-05-06	14.5	GATP-06-8	4.5	RS-07	11.0
SB-05-07	13.0	GATP-06-9	8.5	RS-07R	9.5
SB-05-10	4.0	GATP-06-10	8.0	RS-08A	11.0
SB-05-10A	6.0	GATP-06-11	6.0	RS-09	8.0
		GATP-06-12	5.0	RS-10	14.0
		GATP-06-13	9.0	RS-11	33.0
		GATP-06-14	3.5	RS-12	22.0
		GATP-06-15	11.5	RS-13	8.0
				RS-14A	5.0
				RS-14B	5.0
				RS-15A-E	> 0.5

Barr (2005)		Golder (2006)		Barr (2008)	
Boring Number	Bedrock Depth Below Existing Grade (feet)	Boring Number	Bedrock Depth Below Existing Grade (feet)	Boring Number	Bedrock Depth Below Existing Grade (feet)
				RS-16A-C	> 2.0
				RS-17A	> 8.0
				RS-17B	11.2
				RS-18A	8.0
				RS-19A	9.0
				RS-20A	6.5

Note: Excludes Barr 2010 data; Barr 2010 borings were terminated above bedrock or at auger refusal. Auger refusal on cobble, boulder or bedrock was not confirmed.

The site exploration drilling database, test pit logs, drilling logs from soil borings and monitoring wells, and geophysics data were used to develop an estimated depth to bedrock isopach map presented in Attachment A.

Barr completed additional rotasonic borings in 2011 and 2012 for monitoring well installations. This data has not been used for the analyses presented herein and is therefore not attached, but will be considered during preparation of IFC designs.

Collected soil samples from the Golder (2006) and Barr (2008 and 2010) field programs were classified using the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). In-laboratory material classification tests were performed in accordance with ASTM methodologies to obtain index properties of the samples recovered from the test trenches and boreholes, to confirm field classifications, and for use in developing correlations with engineering properties of the soils encountered. In-laboratory tests conducted on subgrade materials sampled during these field programs included the following:

- Sieve Analysis – ASTM C117/C136 (Golder, 2006 and Barr, 2008);
- Atterberg Limits – ASTM D4318 (Golder, 2006 and Barr, 2008);
- Natural Moisture Content – ASTM (Golder, 2006 and Barr, 2008);
- Standard Proctor Compaction – ASTM D698 (Golder, 2006);
- Consolidated-Undrained (CU) Triaxial Compression – ASTM D4767 (Golder, 2006);
- Falling Head Flexible-Wall Permeability Testing – ASTM D5084 (Golder, 2006); and

- One-Dimensional Consolidation Testing – ASTM D2435 (Golder, 2006).

Copies of test reports for the in-laboratory material testing are provided in Attachment C, Attachment D, and Attachment E.

### 3.2 Site Conditions for Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile

The Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint encompasses 508 acres during operations, and 526 acres reclaimed. For the Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile and for all other stockpiles some discrepancies may exist between footprint areas reported herein relative to footprint areas reported in other documents. This is the result of varying document preparation dates and/or versions. No effort has been made to align document submittal dates. Hence, some footprint size variations between versions can be expected.

Wetland delineation within the Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint is presented in Attachment A. Geotechnical classification of subsurface soils within the vicinity of the Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint is based on the borehole logs (Barr 2005, 2008 and 2010) and test pit logs (Golder, 2006). Geotechnical borings and test pits within or in the vicinity of the Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile are summarized in Table 3-2. Additional depth to bedrock information in the vicinity of the Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile is presented in Attachment F.

**Table 3-2 Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile Boring and Test Pits**

Borehole/Test Pit	Location <sup>(1)</sup>	Bedrock Depth (feet)	Soil types
MW-05-09	WL/HL	12.5	0.5 feet topsoil; 1.5 feet of sand (w/ 5-10% gravel); 5 feet of silty sand (w/ <40% cobbles and boulders); 1.5 feet sand; 4 feet silty sand (trace gravel and cobbles)
SB-05-04	WL	15	2 feet of peat; 5.5 feet of clayey silt; 1 feet of silty clay; 1.5 feet of sandy silt (w/ 10% cobbles); 5 feet of silty sand (w/ 10-20% coarse gravel and cobbles)
SB-05-10	WL/HL	4.0	1 feet peat; 3 feet of silty sand (with 5-10% gravel and cobbles)
GATP-06-04	WL	13.5	0.5 feet topsoil; 13 feet of silty sand (mixed w/ gravel and cobbles)
GATP-06-05	HL	14.0	0.5 feet topsoil; 3.5 feet of lean clay (sandy w/ 15-20% gravel), 2 feet of silty sand (w/ 30-45% gravel), 8 feet of silty sand.
GATP-06-06	HL	>20	0.5 feet of topsoil; 14.5 feet of silty sand (mixed w/ gravel, cobbles and boulders); 5 feet layer of sandy silt

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Borehole/Test Pit	Location <sup>(1)</sup>	Bedrock Depth (feet)	Soil types
RS-15A-E	HL	>0.5	Peat over sandy silt (refusal on boulder)
RS-16A-C	HL	>2.0	Silty sand (refusal on boulder)
J003	WL	--	2.5 feet peat and organic silt; 3.6 feet coarse alluvium; 21.0 feet silty sand w/gravel
J010	HL	--	2.3 feet fill; 15.9 feet silty sand w/gravel; 0.5 feet obstruction (possible bedrock)
J027	WL	--	7.0 feet peat; 0.7 feet organic silt; 16.9 feet silty sand w/gravel (w/ apparent cobbles)
J037	HL	--	0.5 feet topsoil; 12.0 feet sandy silt and silty sand w/gravel; 0.4 feet obstruction (possible bedrock)

(1) WL – wetland, HL – highland, WL/HL – wetland/highland boundary

Results from the in-laboratory material classification testing on the samples collected during Golder (2006) and Barr (2008 and 2010) geotechnical investigations are summarized in Table 3-3.

**Table 3-3 Geotechnical Classification Results for Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile Soils**

Sample	USCS Class.	% Gravel	% Sand	% Fines	LL <sup>(1)</sup>	PL <sup>(1)</sup>	PI <sup>(1)</sup>
TP#4, Sample #1, 0.5' to 4.5'	SM	8.0	60.7	31.3	7	7	0
TP#4, Sample #2, 4.5' to 13.5'	SM w/ little gravel	11.0	49.7	39.3	n/a	n/a	n/a
TP#5, Sample #1, 0.5' to 4.0'	CL	13.0	35.6	51.4	25	16	9
TP#5, Sample #1, 6.0' to 14'	SM	1.0	52.0	47.0	n/a	n/a	n/a
TP#6, Sample #2, 15' to 20'	ML sandy	0.0	48.3	51.7	n/a	n/a	n/a
RS-15A-E, 0' to 0.5'	ML sandy w/organics	1.0	46.3	52.7	NP	NP	NP
RS-16A-C, 0' to 2.0'	Silty Sand (SM)	0.4	68.4	31.2	NP	NP	NP
J003, 4.5' to 6.0'	CL-ML/CL	0.0	32.6	67.4	NT	NT	NT
J003, 19.5' to 21.0'	SC	12.0	53.1	34.9	NT	NT	NT
J010, 4.5' to 6.0'	SM	13.7	55.5	30.8	NP	NP	NP
J010, 9.5' to 11.0'	SM	12.9	55.3	31.8	NP	NP	NP
J027, 12.0' to 13.5'	SM	28.0	50.9	21.1	NP	NP	NP
J027, 22.0' to 23.5'	SM	8.3	60.5	31.2	NP	NP	NP
J037, 9.5' to 11.0'	SM	18.7	48.7	32.6	NP	NP	NP

(1) NP – non-plastic soil; NT – not tested for plasticity

Borings advanced in the vicinity of and within the footprint of the Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile indicate bedrock depths ranging from 4 feet to over 20 feet below the surface (Table 3-2). On the basis of the bedrock isopach map shown in Attachment A, depth to bedrock may be somewhat greater in the central and southwestern portions of the stockpile footprint. Soils in the highland areas are glacial tills in origin and typically consist of sandy silts and silty sands with varying amounts of coarser material and occasional layers of sandy clays. Existing data indicates that lowland areas contain horizons of glacial, alluvial and lacustrine deposits. The upper soil horizons in the lowland deposits contain relatively finer grained soils, e.g., peat, organic clays and silts.

### 3.3 Site Conditions for Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile

The Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile area encompasses 180 acres. Wetland delineation within the Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint is presented in Attachment A. Geotechnical classification of subsurface soils within the Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint is based on the test pit samples collected by Golder in 2006 and the rotasonic drill testing by Barr in January 2008. Geotechnical borings and test pits in the vicinity (within approximately 100 feet) of the Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint are summarized

in Table 3-4. Additional depth to bedrock information in the vicinity of the Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile is presented in Attachment F.

**Table 3-4 Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile Borings**

Borehole	Location <sup>(1)</sup>	Bedrock Depth (feet)	Soil types
SB-05-01	HL/WL	15.0	4 feet topsoil (low plast. clay w/ 25% coarse fraction); 1 feet of silty clay; 3 feet of silty clay w/ organics ; 7 feet silty clay w/ organics (rocky last 5 feet before bedrock)
RS-11	WL	33	9.5 feet peat; 7.5 feet silty sand (w/ gravel, cobbles and organics); 8 feet gravelly sand with silt (w/ cobbles); 8 feet sand to silty sand (w/ gravel, cobbles and boulders)
RS-17A	HL	>8	1 feet topsoil; 3.5 feet gravelly silty sand; 1.5 feet silty gravel w/ sand; 1 feet silty sand w/ gravel (refusal on boulder)
RS-17B	HL	11.2	1 feet topsoil; 3.5 feet gravelly silty sand; 1.5 feet silty gravel w/ sand; 1 feet silty sand w/ gravel; 1 feet boulder; 3.2 feet sand (w/ silt and gravel)
GATP-06-8	HL	4.5	2 feet silty sand (w/ little gravel); 2.5 feet sand and gravel (trace silt)
GATP-06-9	HL	8.5	0.5 feet of topsoil; 3.5 feet of silty sand (mixed w/ little gravel, cobbles and boulders); 4.5 feet sand and gravel (little silt, few cobbles)
GATP-06-10	HL	8.0	0.5 feet of topsoil; 3.5 feet of silty sand (w/ little gravel, few cobbles); 2.0 feet sand and gravel; 2 feet silty sand (some gravel)
GATP-06-11	HL	6.0	0.5 feet topsoil; 5.5 feet of silty sand (mixed w/ gravel and cobbles)
GATP-06-12	HL	5.0	0.5 feet topsoil; 4.5 feet of silty sand (mixed w/ gravel and cobbles)
GATP-06-13	HL	9.0	0.5 feet of topsoil; 8.5 feet of silty sand (w/ gravel, few cobbles and boulders);
GATP-06-14	WL	3.5	0.5 feet of topsoil; 3.0 feet of silty sand (w/ little gravel, few cobbles);
GATP-06-15	HL	11.5	1.0 feet of topsoil; 3.0 feet of silty sand (w/ gravel); 7.5 feet of silty sand (w/ little gravel, cobbles and boulders);

(1) WL – wetland, HL – highland, WL/HL – wetland/highland boundary

Results from the in-laboratory material classification testing on the samples collected during the Barr (2008) geotechnical investigation are summarized in Table 3-5.

**Table 3-5 Geotechnical Classification Results for Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile Soils**

Sample	USCS Class.	% Gravel	% Sand	% Fines	LL <sup>(1)</sup>	PL <sup>(1)</sup>	PI <sup>(1)</sup>
TP#8, Sample #2, 2' to 4.5'	SP w/ gravel	40	58.2	1.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
TP#11, Sample #2, 3' to 6'	SM w/ little gravel	10	66.1	23.9	n/a	n/a	n/a
TP#13, Sample #2, 4' to 9'	SM w/ gravel	23	51	26	10	8	2
TP#14, Sample #2, 0.5' to 3.5'	SM	0	53.2	46.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
TP#15, Sample #2, 4' to 11.5'	SM w/ little gravel	12	49.2	38.8	n/a	n/a	n/a
RS-11, 9.5' to 10'	SM w/ gravel	42.8	43.1	14.1	NP	NP	NP
RS-11, 17' to 25'	SP-SM (gravelly)	34.8	59.0	6.2	NP	NP	NP
RS-11, 25' to 28'	SP-SM (gravelly)	23.0	66.8	10.2	NP	NP	NP
RS-11, 28' to 31'	SM w/ gravel	34.2	46.8	19.0	NP	NP	NP
RS-11, 31' to 33'	SM w/ gravel	39.1	46.4	14.5	NP	NP	NP
RS-17, 2.5' to 4.5'	SM (gravelly)	30.2	37.0	32.8	16.2	15.5	0.7
RS-17, 4.5' to 6'	GM w/ sand	43.8	43.0	13.2	NP	NP	NP
RS-17, 6' to 7'	SM (gravelly)	19.9	40.0	40.1	NP	NP	NP

(1) NP – non-plastic soil

Borings advanced within the footprint of the Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile indicate bedrock depths ranging from 3.5 to 33 feet below the surface (Table 3-4) Noting that the RS-11 boring, which encountered the greatest depth of overburden, is located north of the northwestern stockpile boundary; the maximum soil depth within the Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint is estimated at 22 feet using the depth to bedrock isopach map (Attachment A). Soils in the highland areas typically consist of sands and gravel with varying amount of silt. Lowland areas are anticipated to contain surficial peat, fine grained soils and organics, underlain by glacial and alluvial deposits.

### 3.4 Site Conditions for Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile

The Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile area encompasses 57 acres. Wetland delineation within the Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint is presented in Attachment A. Geotechnical classification of subsurface soils within the Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint is based on the rotasonic drilling program by Barr in January 2008. Borings developed within the immediate vicinity of the Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint

(i.e., less than 150 feet from the stockpile) are summarized in Table 3-6. Additional depth to bedrock information in the vicinity of the Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile is presented in Attachment F.

**Table 3-6 Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile Test Pits**

Test Pit	Location <sup>(1)</sup>	Bedrock Depth (feet)	Soil types
RS-05A	HL	13.0	10 feet of silty sand w/ gravel; 3 feet of silty gravel
RS-05B	HL	>5	5 feet of silty sand w/ gravel
RS-09	HL	8.0	1 feet topsoil; 6 feet of silty sand (w/ gravel); 1 feet of sandy lean clay
RS-12	HL	22.0	2 feet sandy silt w/ organics; 3.5 feet of fine sand (w/ cobbles); 16.5 feet of silty sand (w/ varying amount of gravel and cobbles)

(1) WL – wetland, HL – highland, WL/HL – wetland/highland boundary

Results from the in-laboratory material classification testing on the highland samples collected during the Barr (2008) geotechnical investigation are summarized in Table 3-7.

**Table 3-7 Geotechnical Classification Results for Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile Soils**

Sample	USCS Class.	% Gravel	% Sand	% Fines	LL <sup>(1)</sup>	PL <sup>(1)</sup>	PI <sup>(1)</sup>
RS-05A, 6' to 11.5'	SM w/ gravel	37.9	36.2	25.9	NP	NP	NP
RS-05A, 10' to 11.5'	GM w/ sand	64.3	23.1	12.6	NP	NP	NP
RS-05A, 11.5' to 13'	GM w/ sand	61.0	24.0	15.0	14.3	13.1	1.2
RS-09, 1' to 7'	SM w/ gravel	31.7	50.2	18.1	NP	NP	NP
RS-12, 5.5' to 10'	SM w/ gravel	21.7	55.3	23.0	NP	NP	NP
RS-12, 10' to 15'	SM w/ gravel	26.0	53.3	20.7	NP	NP	NP

(1) NP – non-plastic soil

Borings advanced in the vicinity or within the footprint of the Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile indicate bedrock depths between 5.0 and 22.0 feet below the surface (Table 3-6) with the maximum depth of 26 feet indicated by the depth to bedrock map (Attachment A) As indicated in Table 3-6, the Category 4 Stockpile is primarily founded upon highland soils, which typically consist of sands and gravels with varying amounts of silt, cobbles and boulders. Because the soil samples were collected only in the highland areas at the northeastern and the southwestern end of the stockpile, they may differ from foundation soils

at other locations within the Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile footprint, especially in wetland areas.

### 3.5 Site Conditions for Ore Surge Pile

The Ore Surge Pile encompasses 31 acres. Wetland delineation within the Ore Surge Pile footprint is presented in Attachment A. Geotechnical classification of subsurface soils within the Ore Surge Pile footprint is based on the rotasonic investigation completed by Barr in 2008. Geotechnical borings and test pits within the Ore Surge Pile are summarized in Table 3-8. Additional depth to bedrock information in the vicinity of the Ore Surge Pile is presented in Attachment F.

**Table 3-8 Ore Surge Pile Borings**

Borehole/Test Pit	Location <sup>(1)</sup>	Bedrock Depth (feet)	Soil types
MW-05-02	HL	5.0	5.0 feet of sandy clay
RS-08A	HL	11.0	11.0 feet of silty sand (w/ gravel)
RS-18A	HL	8.0	0.5 feet topsoil; 2.5 feet of silty or silty clay (w/ 10% gravel); 2 feet of clayey sand (w/ gravel); 3 feet gravelly silty sand
RS-19A	HL	9.0	1 feet surface boulder; 2.5 feet silty sand (w/ little gravel); 2.5 feet silty sand w/ gravel; 3 feet gravel and cobbles with sand
RS-20A	HL	6.5	2.5 feet silty sand (fine grained); 4 feet of silty sand (mixed w/ gravel, cobbles and boulders)

(1) WL – wetland, HL – highland, WL/HL – wetland/highland boundary

Results from the in-laboratory material classification testing on the highland samples collected during the Barr (2008) geotechnical investigation are summarized in Table 3-9.

**Table 3-9 Geotechnical Classification Results for Ore Surge Pile Soils**

Sample	USCS Class.	% Gravel	% Sand	% Fines	LL <sup>(1)</sup>	PL <sup>(1)</sup>	PI <sup>(1)</sup>
RS-08A, 5' to 11'	SM w/ gravel	30.5	42.5	27.0	NP	NP	NP
RS-18, 0' to 5'	SC-SM w/ gravel	26.1	44.1	29.8	23.1	17.1	6
RS-18, 5' to 8'	SM w/ gravel	31.6	47.1	21.3	NP	NP	NP
RS-19, 1.5' to 3.5'	SM w/ little gravel	13.0	47.0	40.0	19.1	17.8	1.3
RS-19, 1' to 6'	SM/SC-SM w/ gravel	22.4	45.0	32.6	19.7	16.1	3.6
RS-20, 2' to 3'	SM w/ gravel	25.4	41.5	33.1	NP	NP	NP
RS-20, 2' to 4.5'	SM w/ gravel	28.9	41.4	29.7	15.5	15.4	0.1

(1) NP – non-plastic soil

Borings advanced in the vicinity or within the footprint of the Ore Surge Pile indicate bedrock depths ranging from 5.0 to 11.0 feet below the surface (Table 3-8), with soil depths up to 12 feet indicated on the depth to bedrock map (Attachment A). However, the soil samples were collected only from the highland areas of the stockpile and may differ from foundation soils at other locations within the Ore Surge Pile stockpile footprint, especially from soils within the lowland areas located on the eastern side of the stockpile.

### 3.6 Site Conditions Summary

The geotechnical investigations conducted by Golder (2006) and Barr (2008 and 2010) indicate that the site foundation glacial till (overburden) soils were typically silty sands with variable percentages of clay and gravels, which classify according to the USCS as SM, SP, ML, SC and CL. The fines content (percent passing the No. 200 sieve) of the soils encountered ranged from 2% to 67%. The majority of the soils collected were non-plastic. Measured in-situ moisture contents for non-peat material ranged from 1.0% to 26.9%. The permeability of the tested undisturbed native soils ranged from  $3.1 \times 10^{-7}$  to  $9.4 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec. The permeability of the tested compacted native soils ranged from  $1.1 \times 10^{-7}$  to  $2.0 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec, indicating that the native soils are favorable for use as a compacted soil liner.

Typically, the native glacial tills have sufficiently high fines content, with an exception of the G06-TP8 sample collected from 2 to 4.5 feet, and are considered good candidates for stockpile cover construction. Cover design is discussed in Reference (1).

To optimize stockpile liner designs, additional geotechnical site characterization will be obtained to support an IFC level design. However, collection of additional site geotechnical data will require access to the lowland areas that have both regulatory and logistical constraints. In particular, no additional site disturbance can occur to obtain additional data until the land exchange and appropriate permitting is completed. As a result, the Phase II Geotechnical Investigation will be completed following completion of the land exchange and

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appropriate permitting, after the site is dewatered, prior to stockpile construction. This will include additional soil borings and test trenches as appropriate. The overall plan is to excavate and replace unsuitable foundation soils as part of stockpile development. Hence, additional subsurface exploration work will yield information required for annual project planning and for geotechnical analysis updates where needed. However, it is Golder's opinion that the existing geotechnical database, in combination with the requirements for stockpile liner construction subsequently stated herein, is sufficient to technically support the proposed stockpile designs for permitting. Furthermore, because the site geology and subsurface characteristics are generally understood, additional exploration will primarily be for the purpose of stockpile design optimization, confirmation of the design assumptions and earthwork balance computations.

The Phase II Geotechnical Investigation will have the following objectives:

- confirm the Phase I geotechnical classification of native soils, the locations of unsuitable soil materials, and the depth to bedrock and groundwater, and characterize the critical lowland areas prior to or in conjunction with IFC design and construction
- identify and delineate on-site borrow sources for liner and cover materials
- obtain additional samples of site overburden and waste rock materials for in-laboratory testing (if considered necessary) to confirm stability, consolidation, liner durability, and processing requirements
- update geotechnical and groundwater flow characterization analyses required to support the IFC design (i.e., to optimize the sizing and spacing of foundation underdrains, to optimize liner grades)
- provide additional site characterization information to support the bid procurement and construction requirements

As noted previously, the existing geotechnical database, in combination with the requirements for stockpile liner construction (i.e., for lined stockpiles remove all unsuitable foundation materials) subsequently stated herein and knowledge of the local geology is sufficient to technically support the proposed stockpile basic level designs for permitting. It is anticipated that upon completion of project permitting activities, Phase II Geotechnical Investigation activities will proceed in parallel with initial stockpile construction activities to support the IFC level of design.

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## 4.0 Physical Properties of Materials

### 4.1 On-Site Soils

Golder’s 2006 Phase I Geotechnical Investigation and in-laboratory material testing programs and Barr’s 2010 overburden geotechnical investigation and material testing programs were conducted to provide preliminary estimates of the shear strength, permeability and consolidation parameters of the Mine Site soils. At the time that Golder’s analyses were performed, only the 2006 data were available. Therefore, the following paragraphs describe only the Phase I Geotechnical Investigation test data in greater detail. However, the additional data collected by Barr in 2010 are presented in Attachment E and are reasonably consistent with that collected in 2006. Data for Peat is provided but not relevant to lined stockpile design because Peat is considered an unsuitable foundation material and will be removed prior to construction of lined stockpiles.

Consolidated-undrained (CU) triaxial testing (ASTM D4767) and one-dimensional consolidation testing (ASTM D2435) was conducted on a relatively undisturbed Shelby tube sample of lean clay (CL) obtained from test trench G06-TP5 at a depth of 0.5 to 4.0 feet. In the CU test, the specimen is permitted to drain and consolidate under the confining pressure until the excess pore pressure is equal to zero. The in-situ effective stress strength parameters yielded an effective cohesion of zero with an effective friction angle of 34.6 degrees. The consolidation test indicated a coefficient of consolidation ( $C_v$ ) of  $5.3 \times 10^{-1}$  to  $9.6 \times 10^{-1}$  square foot per day ( $\text{feet}^2/\text{day}$ ) and a coefficient of compression ( $C_c$ ) of 0.05 to 0.13 under the loading range of 1 to 16 kips per square foot.

In-laboratory material testing included Standard Proctor (ASTM D698) and falling head permeability (ASTM D5084) tests on three samples of native soils to evaluate their potential use as a soil liner and/or the anticipated hydraulic performance as a compacted subgrade. The samples tested included sample G06-TP4 at a depth of 0.5 to 4.5 feet, sample G06-TP7 at a depth of 0.5 to 3.5 feet, and sample G06-TP13 at a depth of 4 to 9 feet. All three samples classified as silty sand (SM) according to the USCS. The maximum standard Proctor dry density of the samples ranged from 118.3 to 125.7 pounds per cubic foot with an optimum moisture content ranging from 12.4 to 14.2%. Prior to permeability testing, the soil samples were remolded to 95% of the maximum standard Proctor dry density at the optimum moisture content. The permeability of the compacted native soils ranged from  $1.1 \times 10^{-7}$  to  $2.0 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec.

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## 4.2 Waste Rock and Ore

For waste rock and ore stockpile analysis and design, the following physical properties are used:

Mean specific gravity: 2.93

Average dry density of waste rock: 1.90 tons per cubic yard (2.47 tons per cubic yard in place).

Average waste rock porosity (assumed): 23% (30% swell).

Granular Drainage Material 1: Minimum 2 feet of minus one and one-quarter-inch (1.25-inch) crushed rock or native gravelly materials with a minimum permeability of  $1 \times 10^{-2}$  cm/s at 190 psi (to be confirmed by lab testing during the Phase II Geotechnical Investigation). This layer is also referred to as an overliner drainage layer. Maximum vertical stress on liner imposed by equipment not to exceed 8 psi; this criterion requires a minimum 6 feet of overliner material (Granular Drainage Material 1) required for a CAT 992 loader to operate on top of this material at Ore Surge Pile location.

Underdrain permeability: Minimum  $1 \times 10^{-2}$  cm/s.

Compacted Subgrade: Consists of native till soils with upper one (1) foot compacted to a dry density equal to or greater than 95% of the standard Proctor maximum dry density (ASTM D698).

Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile Liner (Category 2 Liner): Consists of native till soils compacted to a dry density equal to or greater than 95% of the standard Proctor maximum dry density (ASTM D698) and to achieve a permeability of equal or less than  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  cm/s. Bentonite admixing may be required to achieve the required maximum permeability. A non-soil component, consisting of a geomembrane liner, will be placed immediately above the soil liner to produce the Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile composite liner system.

Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile Liner (Category 1 Liner): Consists of native till soils compacted to a dry density equal to or greater than 95% of the standard Proctor maximum dry density (ASTM D698) and to achieve a permeability of equal or less than  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  cm/s. Bentonite admixing may be required to achieve the required maximum permeability. A non-soil component, consisting of a geomembrane liner, will be placed immediately above the soil liner to produce the Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile composite liner system

Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile Cover: Consists of a geomembrane hydraulic barrier layer underlain by native till soils processed as needed for use as



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geomembrane foundation layer material, with native soils of varying type and organic content placed in layers above the geomembrane hydraulic barrier layer to control surface water runoff and infiltration and to support establishment of a dense vegetative final cover surface layer.

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## 5.0 Stockpile Analysis and Design Inputs

The design intent is to use on-site materials and manufactured geomembranes for stockpile liner and cover construction. On-site soils will be utilized and processed as required to meet the design requirements. If on-site soils are not directly suitable for the specified application, the soils will be processed to achieve required material properties (i.e., for liners, a grizzly may need to be used to remove oversized materials and bentonite may be admixed to reduce permeability). The following paragraphs present the design criteria and data used for stockpile analysis and design.

### 5.1 Climatic Data

The following climatic data were used for stockpile design and analysis:

- average annual precipitation: 29 inches
- average annual PET: 21 inches.
- Climate period for modeling: 1971 to 2000.

### 5.2 Stockpile Geometry

Stockpile geometry for analysis is as follows:

- minimum width at the top of stockpile: approximately 150 feet or as controlled by the minimum safe turning radius for operating mine haulage trucks
- perimeter access road width (plus allowance for berms) for light truck traffic: 20 feet
- nominal angle of repose slopes: 1.4H:1V (horizontal:vertical) (assumed)
- maximum slope for stockpile foundation excavation: 2H:1V
- grading considerations at closure:
  - for the Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile: 3.75H:1V regraded interbench slopes for the geomembrane cover
  - regrading is not considered for Categories 2/3 and 4 Waste Rock Stockpiles or the Ore Surge Pile as these are temporary stockpiles
- height of first lift (over geomembrane, where located): 15 feet
- height of second lift (over geomembrane, where located): 25 feet

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- nominal lift height (after initial two lifts over geomembrane and where no geomembrane is located): 40 feet
- maximum stockpile heights and interbench slope configurations considered for stability analyses are:
  - 160 feet at interbench slope angles of 1.4H:1V and 2.5H:1V
  - 200 feet at interbench slope angle of 3H:1V
  - 240 feet at interbench slope angle of 3.75H:1V

### 5.3 Stockpile Liner Systems and Foundations

The following information on stockpile liner systems and foundations was used for analysis:

- number of development phases: to be determined
- minimum grade for foundation underdrains: 0.5%
- minimum grade for drainage collection overliner: 0.5%
- liner system design, including piping and underliner and overliner collection points as presented in Section 2.1.3 of Reference (1))
- liner system geomembrane: 80 mil linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE)

### 5.4 Permanent Stockpile Development Sequence

For the Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile, the basic engineering design assumes all unsuitable soils will be excavated and replaced with structural fill within the initial 100 feet inward from the toe limits (i.e., within 100 feet along the stockpile perimeter) for stability considerations. The perimeter stability will be confirmed based on the results of the Phase II Geotechnical Investigation.

The Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile will be unlined. Drainage will be collected by a groundwater containment system constructed around the perimeter of the stockpile, as described in Section 2.1.2 of Reference (1)). The containment system will be installed in increments, with each increment installed prior to placement of waste rock in the stockpile segment adjacent increment.

### 5.5 Temporary Stockpile Development Sequence

Each of the liner systems for the temporary stockpiles will need to be constructed on a geotechnically-suitable foundation. The Phase II geotechnical program will be conducted to confirm the subgrade conditions and, if considered necessary, to collect samples for

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laboratory testing. Following the Phase II geotechnical program, stockpile stability will be verified and anticipated consolidation settlements will be estimated to confirm the grading plan. As noted previously and described further below, unsuitable foundation soils will be removed from beneath lined stockpiles, thereby adding flexibility to the approach taken during the Phase II Geotechnical Investigation program.

The development concept for stockpile liners includes the following considerations and assumptions:

- conduct Phase II Geotechnical Investigation to verify or modify the design as necessary, based on the encountered geotechnical conditions
- drain the site to allow access for construction equipment
- perform clearing and grubbing activities within stockpile footprints
- excavate and stockpile geotechnical-unsuitable soils (e.g., organic soils, high-plasticity soils, unconsolidated clays) for future use as a construction material or reclamation growth medium – leave structurally suitable materials (e.g., non-organic soils, over-consolidated low plasticity clays) in place above bedrock – excavation and re-compaction of these materials is not required
- place structural fill as required to meet the foundation grade requirements (granular soils, low plasticity cohesive soils and Category 1 Waste Rock)
- compact structural fill materials to 95% of the maximum dry density determined by the Standard Proctor test (or to other percentage as may be specified in final construction plans and specifications)
- develop foundation drainage to minimize the potential for development of excess foundation pore water pressures, based on the geotechnical conditions encountered (Section 5.5.1)
- establish the foundation design grades required for drainage collection, stability and other design considerations by placing engineered fill
- construct the liner system dependent upon the reactivity category of the waste rock
- develop foundation grading to provide gravity drainage and collection of drainage from the stockpile to a series of collection sumps. The water collected in the sumps will be managed as described in Reference (2)
- construct overliner cover and drainage system to facilitate drainage collection and to minimize the potential for leaks in the stockpile liner system

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It is anticipated that minor sub-excavation of unsuitable soils in the highland areas and that more considerable sub-excavation of unsuitable soils in the lowland areas will be required. The proposed stockpiles will exert significant stress on foundation soils. The definition of geotechnically-unsuitable soils as used herein refers to any foundation soil that may potentially undergo significant deformations, create stability problems, and/or jeopardize the general integrity of the stockpile foundations during stockpile use and after closure. In particular, soft clays or organic soils with low permeability that may exhibit large deformations and development of excess pore water pressure during the loading process are considered unsuitable. These unsuitable soils require excavation and replacement with structural fill. Structural fill materials are anticipated to consist of excavated local till and/or where approved for use, Category 1 Waste Rock, placed as fill in controlled compacted lifts. For foundations constructed solely of local soils, i.e., without Category 1 materials, grading plans are expected to undergo limited modifications in order to further optimize construction quantities.

### 5.5.1 Underdrain System

An underdrain system may be necessary in order to provide foundation drainage to facilitate construction of the liner systems and to minimize the potential for development of excess foundation pore water pressures as the stockpiles are loaded. The purpose of the underdrain system is to provide gravity drainage for foundation materials in areas where elevated groundwater is encountered after routine construction dewatering has ceased, and to prevent or minimize the potential for excess pore water pressures to develop as the facility is loaded. The underdrain system may not be necessary in areas where grading fill uses Category 1 material, or in areas where granular moraine soils are present.

Preliminary designs for underdrain systems for the Category 2/3 stockpile, the Category 4 stockpile, and the Ore Surge Pile are presented in Attachment G. Design calculations, which were completed in 2008, used stockpile dimensions which differ slightly from the most current stockpile designs presented in Reference (1). Effects of these slight differences on design of underdrain systems will be resolved, and the extent and location of the underdrain system will be modified based on the results of the Phase II Geotechnical Investigation and/or conditions encountered during construction.

The preliminary underdrain design (Attachment G) includes minimum 4-inch diameter corrugated polyethylene pipes spaced at a nominal distance of 100 feet. This preliminary design is based on a minimum slope of the underdrain pipes of 0.5%, approximately following the liner grades. It is anticipated that the foundation water collected by the underdrain system will be of suitable water quality for off-site discharge through the stormwater system. Nonetheless, the underdrains will be configured to also accommodate water conveyance to the overliner sumps from where the water can be pumped to the mine Waste Water Treatment Facility. The design intent of the underdrain system is not for leakage collection; however, the potential exists that liner leakage, if it occurs, would be captured by the underdrains.

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**5.5.2 Liner System**

The stockpile liner systems are designed to be commensurate with the level of environmental risk posed by each waste rock category, and considering the expected operating conditions of the stockpiles. Liner systems are detailed in Reference (1), and summarized in Table 5-1. The Ore Surge Pile requires a thicker overliner than the other temporary stockpiles to meet the design criteria of 8-psi maximum vertical stress on the liner based on the anticipated mine equipment operating on the overliner.

**Table 5-1 Stockpile Liner System Design**

<b>Stockpile</b>	<b>Liner System</b>
Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile	No liner; drainage collection system at stockpile perimeter
Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile	12-inch thick compacted ( $1 \times 10^{-5}$ cm/s) subgrade (Category 2 Liner) overlain by 80 mil LLDPE geomembrane, covered by a 24-inch overliner drainage layer
Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile	12-inch thick compacted ( $1 \times 10^{-6}$ cm/s) subgrade (Category 1 Liner) overlain by 80 mil LLDPE geomembrane, covered by a 24-inch overliner drainage layer
Ore Surge Pile	12-inch thick compacted ( $1 \times 10^{-6}$ cm/s) subgrade (Category 1 Liner) overlain by 80 mil LLDPE geomembrane, covered by a 6-foot overliner drainage layer

**5.6 Stockpile Reclamation**

The Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile will be progressively reclaimed, starting in Mine Year 14, with an engineered geomembrane cover system (Section 3 of Reference (3)). Cover systems are not needed for the temporary stockpiles (Category 2/3 and Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpiles and Ore Surge Pile). Reclamation of the temporary stockpile footprints is described in Section 7 of Reference (1).

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## 6.0 Stockpile Analysis and Design Outcomes

### 6.1 Stockpile Stability

The requirements for the stockpile geotechnical modeling are based on requirements of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Division of Lands and Minerals and are outlined in Attachment H, which describes the requirements for geotechnical analysis. Factors of Safety typically used by Golder for stockpile design at various phases of stockpile development are presented below. For geomembrane lined stockpiles, factors of safety are dependent on the geomembrane/soil liner interface strength parameters. For this analysis an effective friction angle of 19.0 degrees was used for the soil/liner interface strength. Peak friction angles in excess of 25 degrees are commonly reported in the literature, e.g. Williams and Houlihan (Reference (5)), Koutsourais et al. (Reference (6)), Stark et al. (Reference (7)), and Bhatia and Kasturi (Reference (8)). Interface friction angle will be confirmed during a Phase II Geotechnical Evaluation to be implemented prior to the initial stockpile construction. In summary, the stockpiles are designed to achieve the following:

- minimum long-term (effective stress) operational static factor of safety for deep-seated failures (waste rock mass thickness in excess of 30 feet): 1.3
- minimum short-term (total stress) operational static factor of safety for deep-seated failures (waste rock mass thickness in excess of 30 feet): 1.1
- minimum composite slope (effective stress) pseudo static factor of safety: 1.0
- minimum composite slope static factor of safety at closure: 1.5
- minimum composite slope pseudo static factor of safety at closure: 1.1
- design earthquake peak ground acceleration (PGA) (operations and closure): 0.05g with a return period of approximately 500 years. The PGA for the NorthMet Mine Site is approximately 0.05g using the FEMA maps (Reference (9)) for the spectral accelerations with a 10% probability of exceedance in 50 years.

The PGA value, based on 10% probability of occurrence in 50 years and given the anticipated site conditions, is considered appropriate for the proposed structures assuming that failure would not represent significant risk to people or result in significant damages. The adopted PGA value of 0.05 g is likely conservative as the project is located in an area of negligible (lowest) seismic hazard for which seismic parameters are difficult to quantify. Further, the USGS reports the PGA value with the return period of approximately 2500 years (2% probability of exceedance in 50 years) to be below 0.04 g (Reference (10)).

Golder conducted global stability analyses to evaluate stockpile stability under static and pseudo-static (i.e., earthquake loading) conditions, to support the basic level engineering designs. Detailed documentation of the stability analyses are presented in Attachment I.

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Design cross-sections were developed to represent the following typical conditions at different phases of stockpile development:

- Category 2/3 and Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpiles and Ore Surge Pile: initial operational configuration (single lift of waste rock placed in two stages)
- Category 2/3 and Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpiles: operational configuration at ultimate build-out
- Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile:, initial operational configuration (a single lift of waste rock with a maximum height of 40 feet placed at the angle of repose)
- Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile: operational configuration at ultimate buildout prior to reclamation (assume four lifts of waste rock)
- Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile: reclaimed configuration, interbench slopes regraded to 2.5H:1V
- Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile: reclaimed configuration, interbench slopes regraded to 3.0H:1V
- Category 1 Waste Rock Stockpile:, reclaimed configuration, interbench slopes regraded to 3.75H:1V

Stability analyses were conducted using RocScience's limit equilibrium program *SLIDE* (Reference (11)). Stability analyses assumed effective stress conditions and considered both circular and non-circular slip surfaces when searching for the critical surface with the minimum factor of safety. The stability analyses utilized the Spencer method (Reference (12)).

Assuming a liner interface (i.e., overliner material/LLDPE geomembrane liner/soil liner) friction angle of 19.0 degrees, all design sections met the minimum required factors of safety outlined above. As reported in Attachment I, computed slope stability factors of safety are equal or greater than the minimum required slope stability factors of safety for the assumed material parameters. As determined by the interface friction angle sensitivity analysis in Attachment I, interface friction angles of 15.7 degrees and greater will yield acceptable slope stability factors of safety for the conditions analyzed.

Stability analyses presented herein may change as a part of the final optimized stockpile design. Anticipated additional configurations to be analyzed during the final design include but are not limited to:

- 180 feet high stockpile with liner, and interbench slope angle of 1.4(H):1(V)
- 240 feet high stockpile without liner, and interbench slope angle of 1.4(H):1(V)

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- Other configurations if needed to account for variation in stockpile foundation area topography and interim fill heights as deemed appropriate by the stockpile designer.

As presented in Attachment I, the analyses yielding the smallest computed factor of safety against slope instability are those that consider the 1.4(H):1(V) interbench stockpile slopes above a geomembrane liner system. The assumed liner interface friction, as well as the strength parameters for the considered foundation and stockpile materials, will be confirmed during the Phase II Geotechnical Investigation.

## 6.2 Foundation Settlement

To minimize foundation settlement and to achieve the desired performance characteristics of the stockpile drainage system, compacted waste rock and/or native soils will be used for foundation grading. Structural fill will dominantly consist of native till soils compacted to 95% of the maximum dry density as determined by the standard Proctor compaction test (ASTM D 698), or to other densities as may be specified in final construction plans and specifications. When Category 1 waste rock is used to develop the foundation grades, rock fill placement will need to occur with controlled lifts placed in accordance with a specified rock fill compaction method.

The foundation soils may exhibit moderate settlement under the high-stress design conditions. As a result, a LLDPE geomembrane, or elastic polymer geomembrane with similar biaxial deformation properties, is specified for the geomembrane barrier layer component of the basal liner system for the Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile, Category 4 Waste Rock Stockpile and the Ore Surge Pile due to its ability to accommodate high strain deformations. Foundation settlement and liner strain calculations are presented in Attachment J. Estimated strains are less than 1%; well below the 30% maximum strain allowed for a LLDPE geomembrane.

## 6.3 Liner Survivability

For angular overliner materials, a geomembrane liner load test will be conducted during the Phase II Geotechnical Investigation to support specification of the acceptable geomembrane thickness. Survivability of the proposed 80 mil LLDPE geomembrane liner for use in stockpile construction under the anticipated loading conditions is discussed in more detail in Attachment K.



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## 7.0 Certification

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## 8.0 Revision History

Date	Version	Description
10/04/2011	1	Initial release
05/29/2012	2	Version 2 with Responses to Comments (ERM and MDNR, EPA, Sutton) Incorporated
11/3/2014	3	Version 3 incorporates edits for consistency with Project changes since issuance of Version 2
11/25/2014	4	Version 4 incorporates edits in Response to Comments (MDNR, Knight Piesold)

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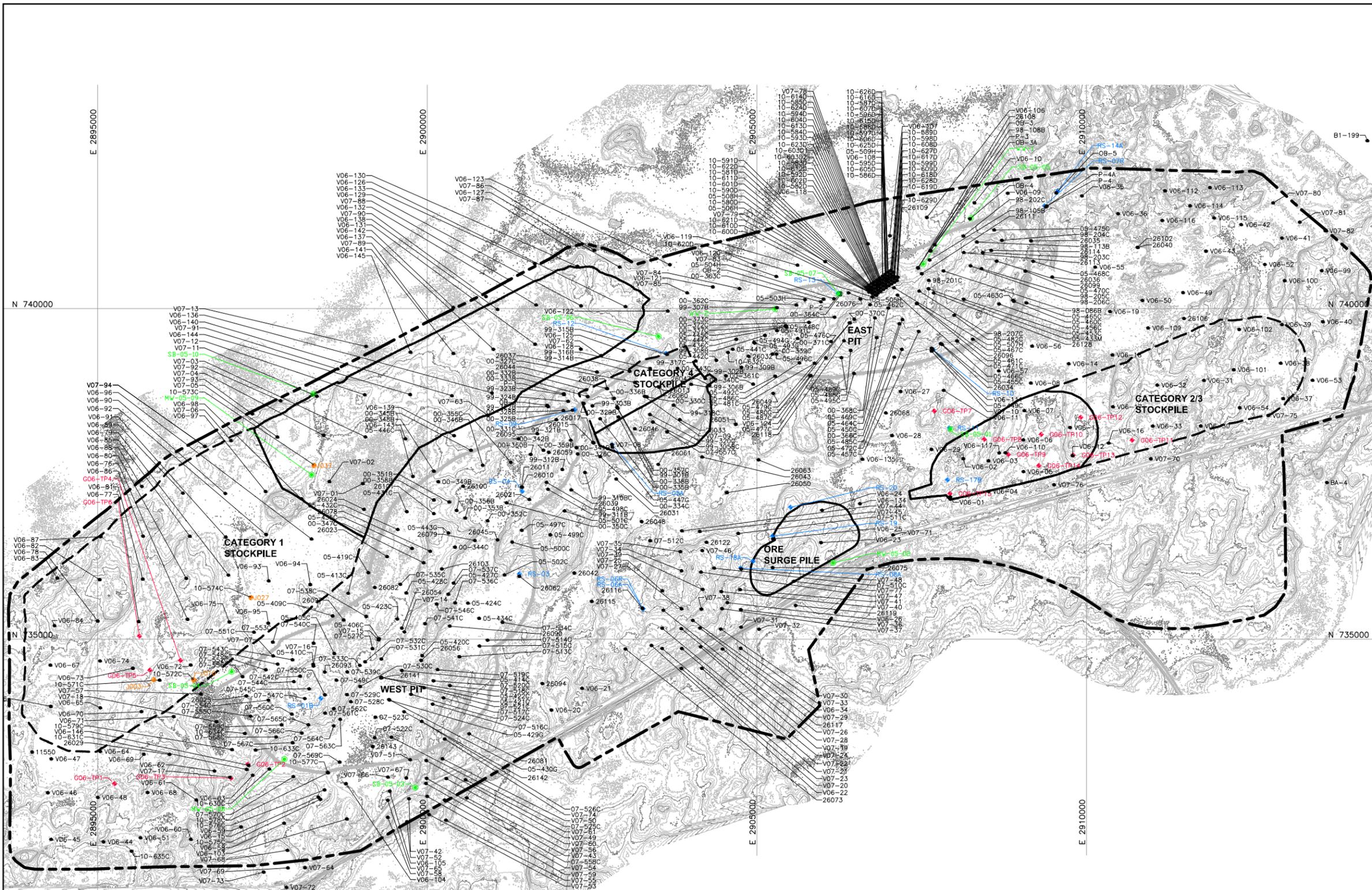
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## **Attachments**

**Attachment A**

**Exiting Conditions and Location of Field Investigations**

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	EXISTING GROUND TOPOGRAPHY
	MINE SITE BOUNDARY
	YEAR 11 PIT BOUNDARIES (SEE NOTE 1)
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	MAXIMUM ORE, AND WASTE ROCK STOCKPILE OUTLINES (SEE NOTE 2)
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	BARR ENGINEERING BOREHOLES (2008)
	BORING OR GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY LOCATION
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- NOTES**
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  - STOCKPILE LAYOUTS PROVIDED BY BARR ENGINEERING IN APRIL 2011 AND MODIFIED BY GOLDER.
  - SEE GENERAL NOTES AND LEGEND ON DRAWING 002.
  - SEE GEOTECHNICAL DATA PACKAGE VOLUME 3 FOR DETAILS ON TEST PITS, BOREHOLES AND GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS.

- REFERENCES**
- EXISTING GROUND TOPOGRAPHY PROVIDED BY BARR ENGINEERING, AUGUST 2011.
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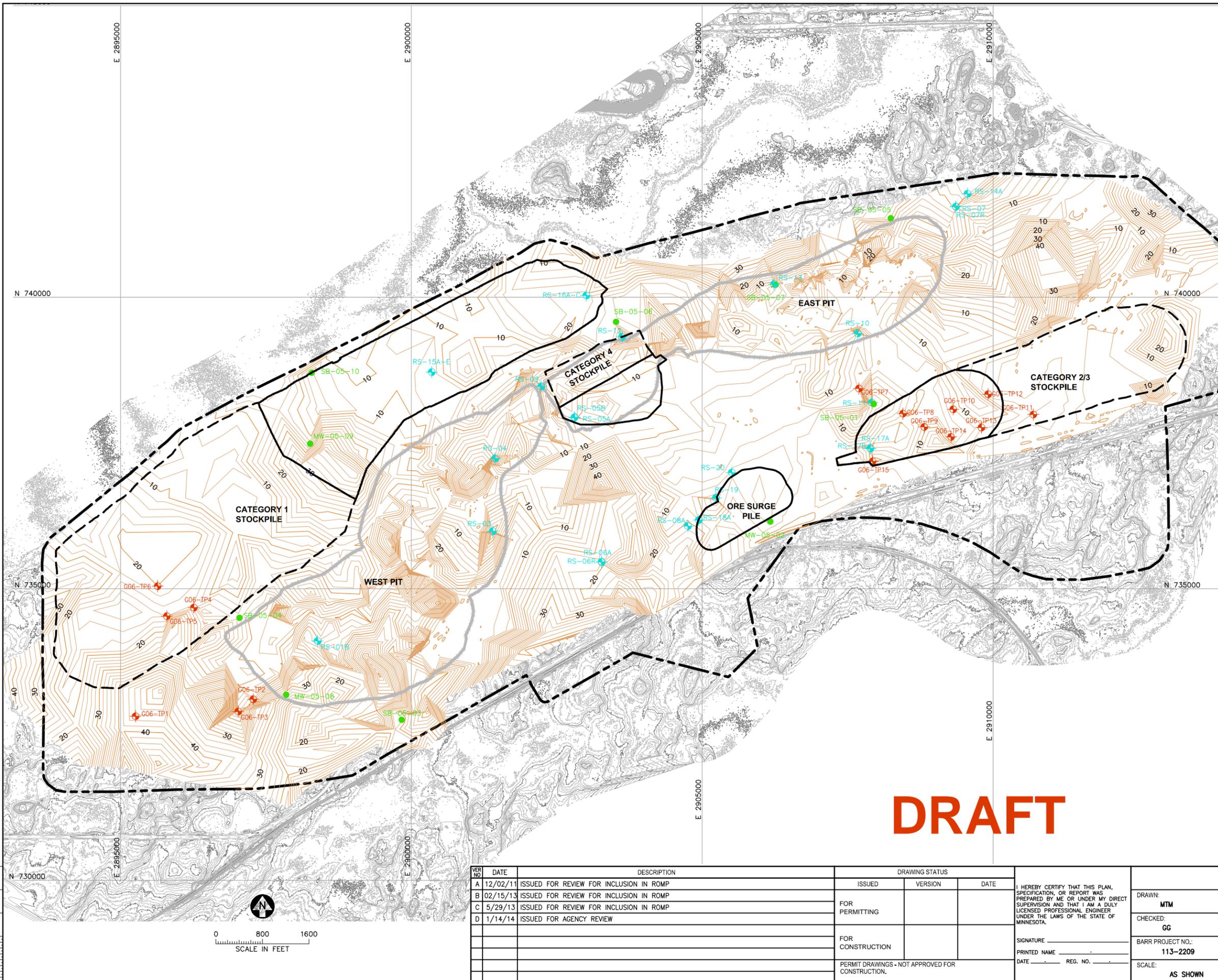
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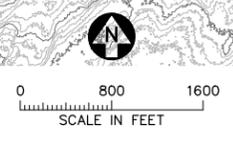
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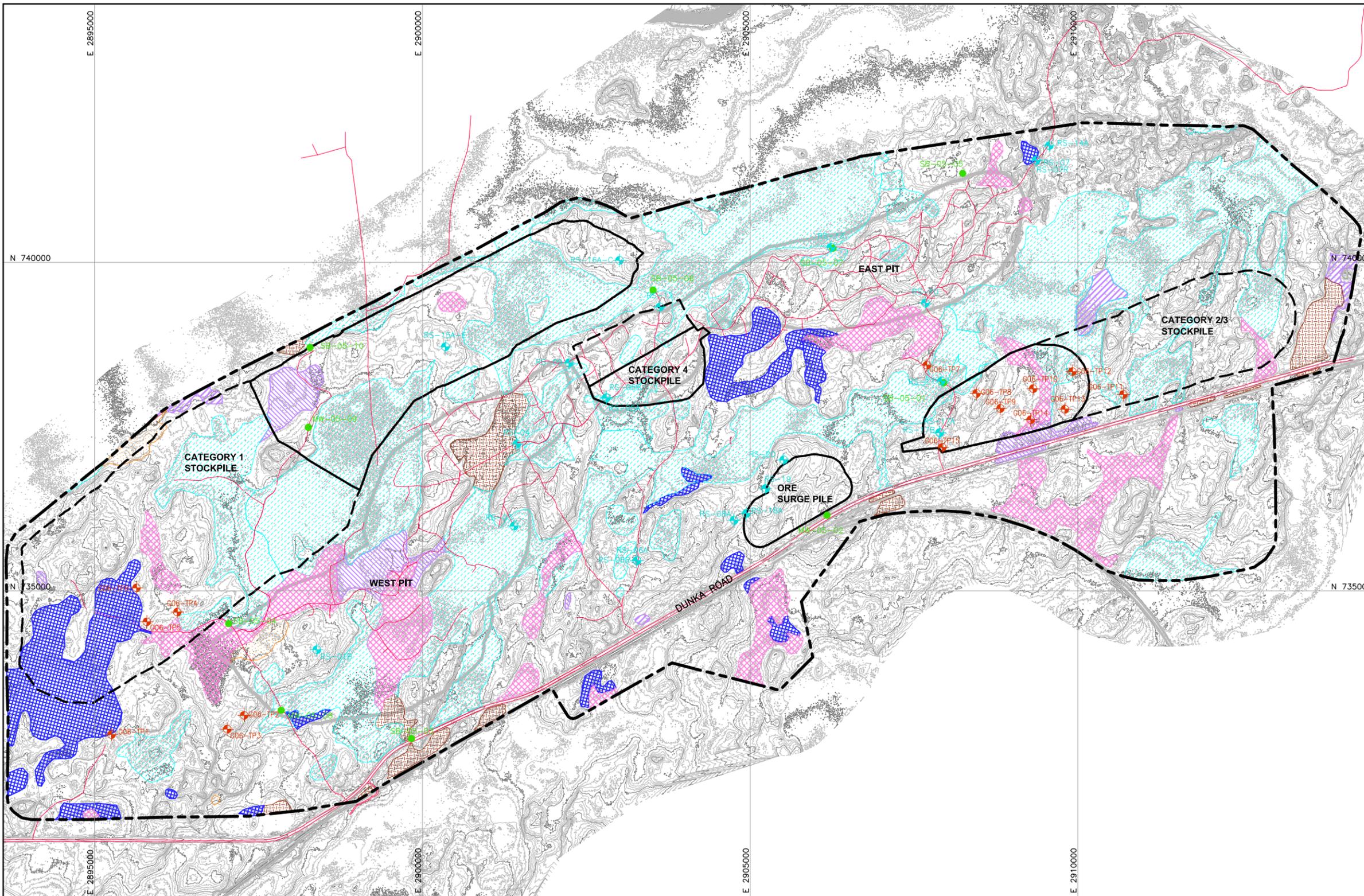
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- RS-11 BARR ENGINEERING BOREHOLES (2008)
- SHALLOW MARSH
- SHRUB SWAMP
- CONIFEROUS SWAMP
- HARDWOOD SWAMP
- SEDGE MEADOW
- CONIFEROUS BOG
- OPEN BOG
- EXISTING TRAIL OR ROAD
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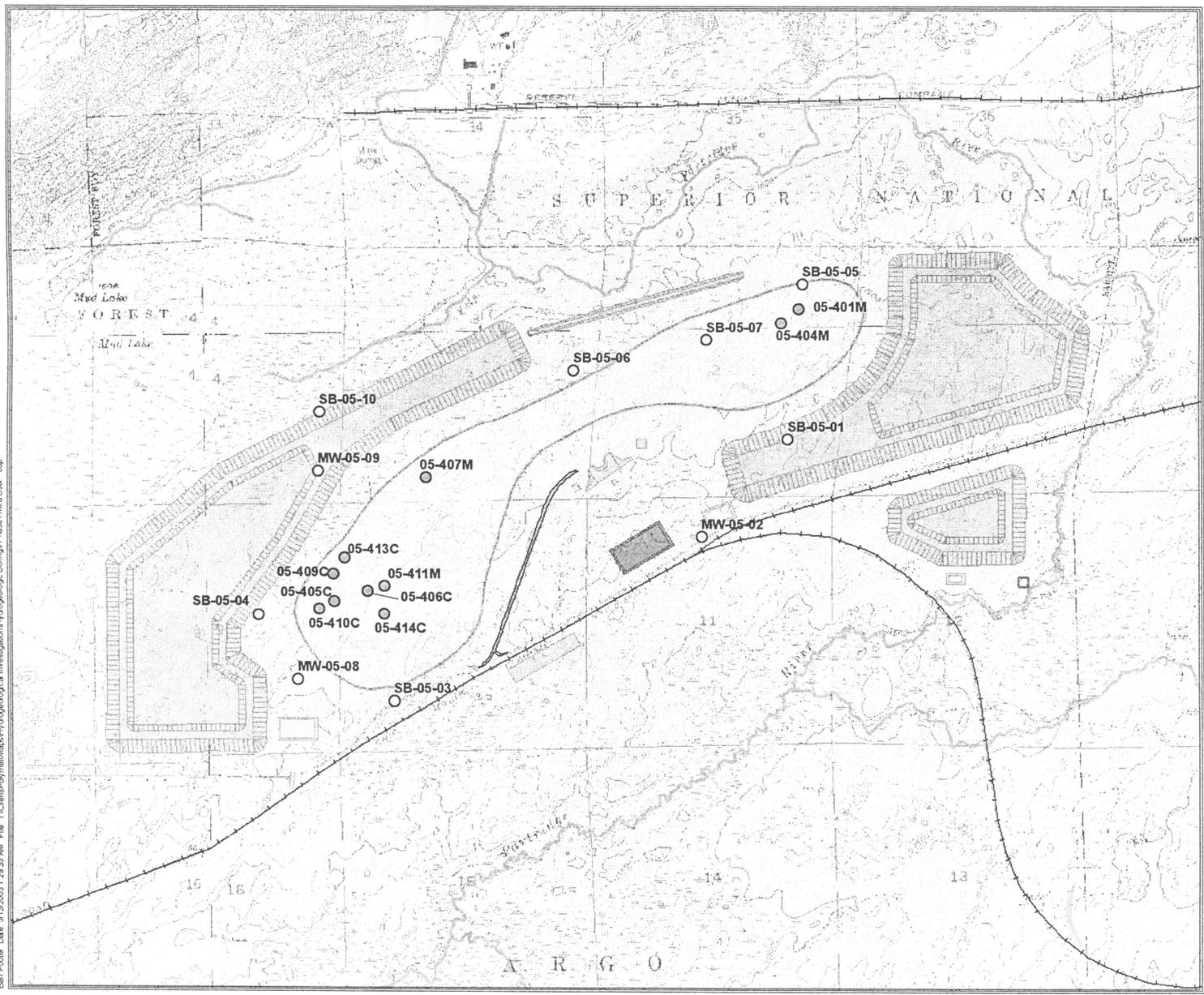
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**Attachment B**

**Well Installation Field Program - Boring Logs**

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- 6-inch
- NTW
- Soil Boring
- Monitoring Well

**Potential Future Mine Features**

- ▨ Stockpiles
- Mine Pit
- ▬ Road
- Non-Reactive Pond
- ▬ Reactive Pond
- ▨ Infrastructure; Sideslope



Allen, Babbitt, Babbitt SW, and Isaac Lake  
7.5 Minute USGS Quadrangles

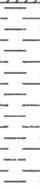
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SITE LAYOUT WITH MARCH  
2005 HYDROGEOLOGIC  
INVESTIGATION LOCATIONS  
PolyMet Mining, Inc.  
Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor WDC Exploration & Wells  
 Project Name PolyMet Hydrogeologic Investigation Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-862 Drilling Started 3/13/05 Ended 3/13/05  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By Jere Mohr

**LOG OF Boring SB-05-01**  
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Elevation --  
 Total Depth 19.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration-Odor-Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH FEET
				Wet	CL		Light brown to gray clayey topsoil with rocks (~25%), wet at 1' bgs.	
5				Wet	CL		Grayish-brown silty clay, wet.	5
					OL		Reddish-brown organic-rich silty clay.	
10				Wet	OL		Dark brown to gray organic-rich silty clay. Rocky at ~10'. Rock is fine-grained black (Virginia Formation).	10
15				Wet			Black fine-grained rock (Virginia Formation).	15
							End of Boring - 19 feet	

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Remarks Temp well screen (5') set from 10-15' bgs. Allowed to collapse to ~8' bgs, then bentonite chips.  
 Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

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 Project Name PolyMet Hydrogeologic Investigation Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-862 Drilling Started 3/14/05 Ended 3/15/05  
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**LOG OF WELL MW-05-02**  
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Elevation --  
 Total Depth 18.0

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5						CL	Medium brown sandy clay, upper 1' wet, then moist, very moist at 5'. Chunks of black crystalline rock at 5'.	PRO. CASING Diameter: 6 inches Type: Steel Interval: 0-4 ft bgs RISER CASING Diameter: 2 inches Type: PVC Interval: 0-5 ft bgs GROUT Type: Cement Interval: 0-4 ft bgs SEAL Type: Bentonite Interval: 4-5 ft bgs SANDPACK Type: Red Flint Interval: 5-6.5 ft bgs SCREEN Diameter: 2 inches Type: PVC Interval: 5.5-6.5 ft bgs	5
10							Duluth Complex gabbro.		10
15							End of Boring - 18 feet		15

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**LOG OF BORING SB-05-03**  
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Elevation --  
 Total Depth 20.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration-Odor-Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH FEET
				Moist	CL		Reddish-brown sandy clay with cobbles.	
5				Wet	CL		Dark brown to gray sandy clay.	5
				Moist	CL		Reddish brown sandy clay with ~30% rocks/cobbles (Virginia Formation).	
10				Wet	SM		Gray-brown silty sand.	10
				Moist	CL		Gray sandy clay with ~20% rocks/pebbles.	
							Boulder (no recovery).	
15					CL		Very dense gray clay.	15
							Fine grained black rock (Virginia Formation).	
20							End of Boring - 20.5 feet	20

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 Number 23/69-862 Drilling Started 3/7/05 Ended 3/8/05  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By Mark Hagley

**LOG OF Boring SB-05-04**  
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Elevation --  
 Total Depth 20.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration-Odor-Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH FEET
					PT		Peat/wetland vegetation, frozen.	
5					ML		Tan - brown clayey silt, uniform, moist to wet.	5
					CL		Dark-gray silty clay, dense.	
10					ML		Dark-gray, sandy silt with ~10% cobbles (up to 2" diameter)	10
					SM		Gray silty fine sand with 10-20% coarse gravel and cobbles (<1/2" to 3+").	10
15							Greenish-black crystalline rock - Duluth Complex gabbro.	15
							End of Boring - 20 feet	

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Remarks Temp well screen (5') set from ~15-20' bgs, allowed to collapse from 14-20', bentonite chips from 2-14' bgs.

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 Project Name PolyMet Hydrogeologic Investigation Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-862 Drilling Started 3/13/05 Ended 3/13/05  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By Jere Mohr

**LOG OF Boring SB-05-05**  
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Elevation ---  
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DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration-Odor-Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH FEET
				Moist	CL		Dark brown to black clayey topsoil.	
							Dark black fine-grained rock (boulder).	
5				Dry	SM		Medium brown silty sand.	5
				Dry			Dark black fine-grained rock.	10
15							End of Boring - 18 feet	15

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Remarks No temp well set - dry borehole.  
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Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-862

Drilling Started 3/14/05 Ended 3/14/05

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Location NorthMet Mine Site

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Total Depth 16.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration-Odor-Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH FEET
							Organic rich dark brown clay. Frozen to 4'.	
					OL			
				Wet	OL		Very loose organic rich clay.	5
5							Boulder - minimal recovery. Granite recovered from ~9' bgs.	5
10				Wet	SM		Light brown silty coarse sand with pebbles.	10
				Wet	CL		Light brown silty clay with ~25% pebbles.	
15							Black fine-grained rock.	15
							End of Boring - 16 feet	

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 Number 23/69-862 Drilling Started 3/12/05 Ended 3/12/05  
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Elevation --  
 Total Depth 17.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration-Odor-Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH FEET
				Moist	SM		Brown silty sand with 10-20% cobbles and boulders (up to 4" diameter). Frost to 1.5', moist below.	
5					SM		Gray/brown silty sand with trace of clay and 10-20% cobbles (<1/2" to 4").	5
10					ML		Dark gray sandy silt with cobbles.	10
					SC		Very dense brown clayey sand with ~15% gravel and cobbles (to 1"). (Till)	
15							Green/black coarse crystalline rock (Duluth Complex gabbro).	15
							End of Boring - 17 feet	

ENVIRO LOG 5 (5/27/04) 2369862.GPJ BARRLOG.GDT 5/12/05



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Remarks Temp well screen (5') set from 8-13' bgs, allowed to collapse up to 6.2', then bentonite chips above.

Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor WDC Exploration & Wells  
 Project Name PolyMet Hydrogeologic Investigation Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-862 Drilling Started 3/16/05 Ended 3/16/05 Elevation --  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By Jere Mohr Total Depth 28.5

**LOG OF WELL MW-05-08**  
**DRAFT** SHEET 1 OF 1

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration-Odor-Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	WELL OR PIEZOMETER CONSTRUCTION DETAIL	DEPTH FEET
				Wet @ 6"	SM		Light brown medium to coarse silty sand.	PRO. CASING Diameter: 6 inches Type: Steel Interval: 0-5 ft bgs	
5							Dark brown, well-sorted medium sand.	RISER CASING Diameter: 2 inches Type: PVC Interval: 0-7.5 ft bgs	5
10				Wet	SP			GROUT Type: Cement Interval: 0-5 ft bgs	
								SEAL Type: Bentonite Interval: 5-7 ft bgs	10
15				Wet	SP		Dark brown, well-sorted fine to medium sand.	SANDPACK Type: Red Flint Interval: 7-17 ft bgs	
							Grayish brown well-sorted fine to medium sand with silt.	SCREEN Diameter: 2 inches Type: PVC Interval: 7.5-17.5 ft bgs	15
20				Wet	CL		Gray silty clay with granite and mafic rock fragments and pebbles. (Till)	Natural formation allowed to cave below 17.5' bgs.	20
25				Wet					25
							End of Boring - 28.5 feet		

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Remarks Well installed in adjacent boring (boring not logged) due to loss of casing in MW-05-08. Heaving sand - difficult drilling and well installation.

Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor WDC Exploration & Wells  
 Project Name PolyMet Hydrogeologic Investigation Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-862 Drilling Started 3/10/05 Ended 3/11/05 Elevation --  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By Mark Hagley Total Depth 13.0

**LOG OF WELL MW-05-09**  
**DRAFT** SHEET 1 OF 1

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration-Odor-Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	WELL OR PIEZOMETER CONSTRUCTION DETAIL	DEPTH FEET
						☀	Topsoil.		
				Dry	SP		Brown, fine-grained sand with 5-10% gravel, moist.	PRO. CASING Diameter: 6 inches Type: Steel Interval: 0-4.5 ft bgs	
5				Dry	SM		Gray-brown, fine-grained silty sand with up to 40% gravel, cobbles and boulders (angular), dry. Very difficult drilling (highly compacted).	RISER CASING Diameter: 2 inches Type: PVC Interval: 0-7.5 ft bgs	
				Wet	SP		Brown, medium to coarse sand, uniform, wet.	GROUT Type: Cement Interval: 0-4.5 ft bgs	5
				Moist/Wet	SM		Brown silty sand with some clay and trace of gravel and cobbles, moist/wet.	SEAL Type: Bentonite Interval: 4.5-6.5 ft bgs	
10				Moist/Wet	SM		Gray-black, fine grained crystalline rock, magnetic (Iron formation) assumed to be a boulder.	SANDPACK Type: Red Flint Interval: 6.5-13 ft bgs	10
							End of Boring - 13 feet	SCREEN Diameter: 2 inches Type: PVC Interval: 7.5-12.5 ft bgs	15

ENVIRO.LOG.5 (5/27/04) 2369862.GPJ BARR.LOG.GDT 5/12/05



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Remarks

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Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor WDC Exploration & Wells

Project Name PolyMet Hydrogeologic Investigation Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-862 Drilling Started 3/9/05 Ended 3/10/05

Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By Mark Hagley

**LOG OF Boring SB-05-10**

**DRAFT**

SHEET 1 OF 1

Elevation --

Total Depth 14.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration- Odor- Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH FEET
					PT		Peat/Organic material. Frozen.	
					SM		Fine-grained silty sand, brown, with 5-10% gravel and cobbles (up to 1/2", angular).	
5							Dark gray, fine-grained crystalline rock. Argillite (Virginia Formation).	5
10								10
15							End of Boring - 14.5 feet	15

ENVIRO.LOG 5 (5/27/04) 2569862.GPJ BARRLOG.GDT 5/12/05



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Remarks No temporary well set in boring; set in adjacent boring SB-05-10A

Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor WDC Exploration & Wells  
 Project Name PolyMet Hydrogeologic Investigation Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-862 Drilling Started 3/10/05 Ended 3/10/05 Elevation --  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By Mark Hagley Total Depth 6.0

**LOG OF WELL SB-05-10A**  
**DRAFT** SHEET 1 OF 1

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	SAMP. NUMBER	Discoloration- Odor- Sheen	Moisture	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH FEET
					PT		Peat/Organic material. Frozen.	
					SM		Fine-grained silty sand, brown, with 5-10% gravel and cobbles (up to 1/2", angular).	
5					CL		Dark brown sandy clay with <5% angular gravel and cobbles (<1/2").	5
							End of Boring - 6 feet	
10								10
15								15

ENVIRO LOG 5 (5/27/04) 2369862.GPJ BARRLOG.GDT 5/12/05



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Remarks Temp well screen (4') set from 2-6' bgs, allowed to collapse to ~1.5' bgs, then bentonite chips to surface.

Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

**Attachment C**

**Phase I Geotechnical Investigation**

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**REPORT ON**

**PHASE I GEOTECHNICAL FIELD INVESTIGATION  
POLYMET NORTHMET SITE  
NEAR BABBITT, MINNESOTA**

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Our Ref.: 053-2209.002

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Attention: Mr. Don Hunter, C. Eng., CP

**RE: PHASE I GEOTECHNICAL FIELD INVESTIGATION REPORT  
POLYMET NORTHMET SITE – NEAR BABBITT, MINNESOTA**

Dear Mr. Hunter:

This data report summarizes the results of the Phase I geotechnical test trench program performed for the PolyMet NorthMet Project. We trust that this report provides you with the preliminary information that you need at this time.

This report presents the results of the field investigation, referencing the early waste stockpile footprints proposed by PolyMet. Additional recommendations for the waste stockpiles, including locating and sizing of the waste stockpile footprints, are currently being developed by our staff in the Denver office based on recent information received from your design team.

We look forward to continuing to work with you on this interesting project. Please contact Brent Bronson at (303) 980-0540 with any questions regarding this report.

Sincerely,

**GOLDER ASSOCIATES INC.**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Amy C. Thorson'.

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## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

This report presents the results of the test trenching exploration and geotechnical laboratory testing program conducted by Golder Associates Inc. (Golder) for the proposed waste stockpiles at PolyMet Mining Corporation's (PolyMet) NorthMet Project near Babbitt, Minnesota. Our work was performed in general accordance with our written proposal dated May 31, 2005. The preliminary selection of test trench locations was determined during a site visit on March 1, 2006. This site visit was performed by Amy Thorson and Brent Bronson of Golder, and Richard Patelke and Jim Scott of PolyMet. The number and location of test trenches was limited to areas accessible from existing logging trails and excluding wetlands (i.e., highland areas only). The purpose of this investigation was to determine subsurface soil conditions for use in providing waste stockpile design recommendations.

Prior to scheduling exploration work, permission was requested from the United States Forest Service (USFS). On March 11, the USFS published a Legal Notice in the Mesabi Daily News regarding the intended services and allowed a 30-day public comment period. After this 30-day period, plus the required 5-day waiting period for any mailed responses, Golder commenced the test trenching operations on April 17, 2006. Presented in this report are field observations and geotechnical laboratory test results.

## 2.0 FIELD INVESTIGATION

On April 7, 2006, the test trench locations were sited on foot by Amy Thorson and Matt Krzewinski of Golder, accompanied in part by Steven Goertz of PolyMet. The purpose of this trip was primarily to verify access after snow melt and to compare the intended locations to wetland maps which were provided after the March 1, 2006 site visit. The 15 selected test trench locations were staked with lath and electronically recorded with GPS. Table 1 lists the northing and easting coordinates for the test trench locations per the NADA83, UTM datum. The test trench locations are illustrated on Figure 1.

**TABLE 1  
TEST TRENCH LOCATIONS**

<b>Boring Number</b>	<b>Easting</b>	<b>Northing</b>
<b><i>West Stockpile Area</i></b>		
G06-TP1	574,936	5,272,811
G06-TP2	575,553	5,272,900
G06-TP3	575,474	5,272,836
G06-TP4	575,242	5,273,379
G06-TP5	575,100	5,273,334
G06-TP6	575,052	5,273,491
<b><i>Pre-Production Area</i></b>		
G06-TP7	578,727	5,274,524
G06-TP8	578,958	5,274,393
G06-TP9	579,069	5,274,323
G06-TP15	578,799	5,274,143
<b><i>East Stockpile Area</i></b>		
G06-TP10	579,221	5,274,415
G06-TP11	579,641	5,274,388
G06-TP12	579,404	5,274,494
G06-TP13	579,369	5,274,320
G06-TP14	579,210	5,274,271

The subsurface exploration program was advanced on April 18 and 19, 2006, by Robert Radotich of Radotich Enterprises, LLC (Radotich) with the test trenches logged and sampled by Matt Krzewinski of Golder. The program consisted of Radotich moving a wide tracked backhoe up the existing logging roads and then around and/or in-between existing trees within existing clear cut areas to access the previously marked trench locations. The actual trenching process consisted of the backhoe removing the soil from an area with a maximum dimension of 5 feet wide by 15 feet long and 20 feet deep. The soil was stockpiled beside the trench in separate piles according to depth it was

encountered, where it was visually classified and sampled by the Golder technician. Upon completion, the soils were carefully replaced in the trench in the same layers as it was removed.

### 3.0 SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

The subsurface conditions encountered at the site are depicted in detail on the Logs of Test Trenches included in Appendix A of this report. The logs also indicate the test trench number, date, and name of the technician that logged the test trenches. The soils were described in general accordance with Golder's protocols and field-classified according to ASTM D2488. The boundaries between different soil types shown on the logs are approximate because the actual transition between soil layers may be gradual. Samples of representative soils were obtained from the test trenches. See Appendix C for further information on soil classification procedures utilized by Golder.

The test trenches encountered up to 6 inches of topsoil over primarily silty sand with boulders and cobbles. Test trenches G06-TP5 and G06-TP6 at the north end of the West Stockpile encountered layers of sandy lean clay and sandy silt. Test trenches G06-TP8 through G06-TP10 near the intersection of the Preproduction Stockpile and the East Stockpile, encountered layers of sand with silt and coarse grained sand. The trenches were extended to either auger refusal on bedrock, or 20 feet, which was the limit of the backhoe reach. Table 2 summarizes the depth of bedrock at each test trench location.

**TABLE 2  
SUMMARY OF BEDROCK DEPTHS**

<b>Boring Number</b>	<b>Bedrock Depth Below Existing Grade (ft)</b>
G06-TP1	Greater than 20
G06-TP2	13.0
G06-TP3	15.0
G06-TP4	13.5
G06-TP5	14.0
G06-TP6	Greater than 20
G06-TP7	3.5
G06-TP8	4.5
G06-TP9	8.5
G06-TP10	8.0
G06-TP11	6.0
G06-TP12	5.0
G06-TP13	9.0
G06-TP14	3.5
G06-TP15	11.5

Groundwater was encountered in approximately one-half of the test trenches during our field investigation. Groundwater was encountered at depths of 13 to 15 feet below the existing ground surface in test trenches G06-TP2, G06-TP3, and G06-TP5 located in the proposed West Waste Stockpile footprint. Groundwater was encountered at depths of 4 to 5 feet below the existing ground surface in test trenches G06-TP8, G06-TP9, G06-TP10, and G06-TP15 in and near the proposed Pre-Production Waste Stockpile footprint. Due to the existing slow draining site soils, it is likely that groundwater did not have time to stabilize within the test trenches prior to backfilling the trenches. Groundwater levels should be expected to fluctuate both seasonally and with changes in precipitation. Groundwater is often found at the soil/bedrock interface.

#### 4.0 LABORATORY TESTING

Laboratory tests were performed to measure index properties of the samples recovered from the test trenches to confirm field classifications and for use in developing correlations with engineering properties of soils encountered. Sieve analysis and moisture content tests were conducted by Braun Intertec Corporation (Braun Intertec) of Hibbing, Minnesota on each soil type obtained, in accordance with American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Test Methods ASTM C-117, C-136, and D2216. Atterberg Limits were determined by Braun Intertec on three of the samples in accordance with ASTM Test Method D4318. Based on test results, soils were characterized according to the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). The complete sieve analysis and Atterberg Limit test results are included in Appendix B. Table 3 summarizes the percent passing the #200 sieve, the moisture content, plasticity index, and visual classification of each sample.

**TABLE 3  
SUMMARY OF INDEX TEST RESULTS**

Test Trench Number	Sample Depth below Existing Grade (ft)	Passing # 200 (%)	Moisture Content (%)	Plasticity Index	USCS Classification
G06-TP1	3 – 12	28.6	7.7	-	SM
G06-TP1	12 – 20	37.5	8.5	-	SM
G06-TP2	9 – 13	35.6	16.5	-	SM
G06-TP4	0.5 – 4.5	31.3	7.2	0	SM
G06-TP4	4.5 – 13.5	39.3	7.2	-	SM
G06-TP5	0.5 – 4	51.4	10.1	9	CL
G06-TP5	6 – 14	47.0	12.2	-	SM
G06-TP6	15 – 20	51.7	13.0	-	ML
G06-TP7	0.5 – 3.5	26.5	12.4	-	SM
G06-TP8	2 – 4.5	1.8	7.3	-	SP
G06-TP11	3 – 6	23.9	21.5	-	SM
G06-TP13	4 – 9	26.0	8.0	2	SM
G06-TP14	0.5 – 3.5	46.8	26.9	-	SM
G06-TP15	4 – 11.5	38.8	18.7	-	SM

Additional testing was performed on the fine-grained sample collected from 0.5 to 4 feet below grade in Test Trench G06-TP5. This soil sample was shipped to Golder's soils laboratory in Lakewood, Colorado for additional testing which included a one-dimensional consolidation test (ASTM D2435) and a consolidated-undrained (CU) triaxial shear test (ASTM D4767). These test results are summarized and presented graphically in Appendix B.

The CU triaxial shear test was conducted on a sample extruded from an undisturbed Shelby tube sample. The sample was placed in a triaxial compression chamber, subjected to a confining pressure, and then loaded axially to failure. In the CU test, the test specimen is permitted to drain and consolidate under the confining pressure until the excess pore pressure is equal to zero. The deviator stress is then slowly applied to failure, but the specimen's drainage is not permitted. The in-situ effective stress strength parameters yielded an effective cohesion of zero with an effective friction angle of 34.6 degrees.

The consolidation test was conducted on an undisturbed sample of native clayey soil. The test indicated a coefficient of consolidation ( $C_v$ ) of  $5.3 \times 10^{-1}$  to  $9.6 \times 10^{-1}$  square foot per day ( $\text{ft}^2/\text{day}$ ) and a coefficient of compression ( $C_c$ ) of 0.05 to 0.13 under the loading range of 1 to 16 kips per square foot (ksf).

Additional testing was also performed on three select samples representing three different foundation soil types (per visual classification). Standard Proctor tests and permeability tests were performed by Braun Intertec on the 0.5- to 4.5-foot sample from test trench G06-TP4, the 0.5- to 3.5-foot sample from test trench G06-TP7, and the 4- to 9-foot sample from test trench G06-TP13. These test results are presented in Appendix B.

The Standard Proctor tests were performed in accordance with ASTM Test Method D698, Method A. The maximum standard Proctor dry density of the site soils ranges from 118.3 to 125.7 pounds per cubic foot (pcf) with an optimum moisture content ranging from 12.4 to 14.2 percent.

Falling head permeability tests were performed in accordance with ASTM Test Method D5084. Permeability test samples were compacted to 95 percent of the maximum standard Proctor dry density at the optimum moisture content. The full test results are summarized and presented graphically in Appendix B. Table 4 summarizes the permeability values for each sample, along with its visual classification. Based on the results the Phase I field geotechnical field and permeability testing program, it is possible that the site soils may be excavated and placed as low permeability soil liner, as the permeability ranges from  $1.1 \times 10^{-7}$  to  $2.0 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec. The availability and characteristics of the site soils for use as a soil liner should be further evaluated as part of the Phase II field program conducted to support final design.

**TABLE 4**  
**SUMMARY OF PERMEABILITY TEST RESULTS**

<b>Test Trench Number</b>	<b>Sample Depth (Below Existing Grade)</b>	<b>Coefficient of Permeability at 95% Compaction</b>	<b>USCS Visual Classification</b>
G06-TP4	0.5 – 4.5 ft	$1.35 \times 10^{-7}$ cm/sec	SM
G06-TP7	0.5 – 3.5 ft	$2.04 \times 10^{-7}$ cm/sec	SM
G06-TP13	4 – 9 ft	$1.06 \times 10^{-7}$ cm/sec	SM

**5.0 CLOSING**

We appreciate the opportunity to provide engineering design support to PolyMet Mining Corporation for the NorthMet Project. If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Brent Bronson at (303) 980-0540.

Sincerely,

**GOLDER ASSOCIATES, INC.**

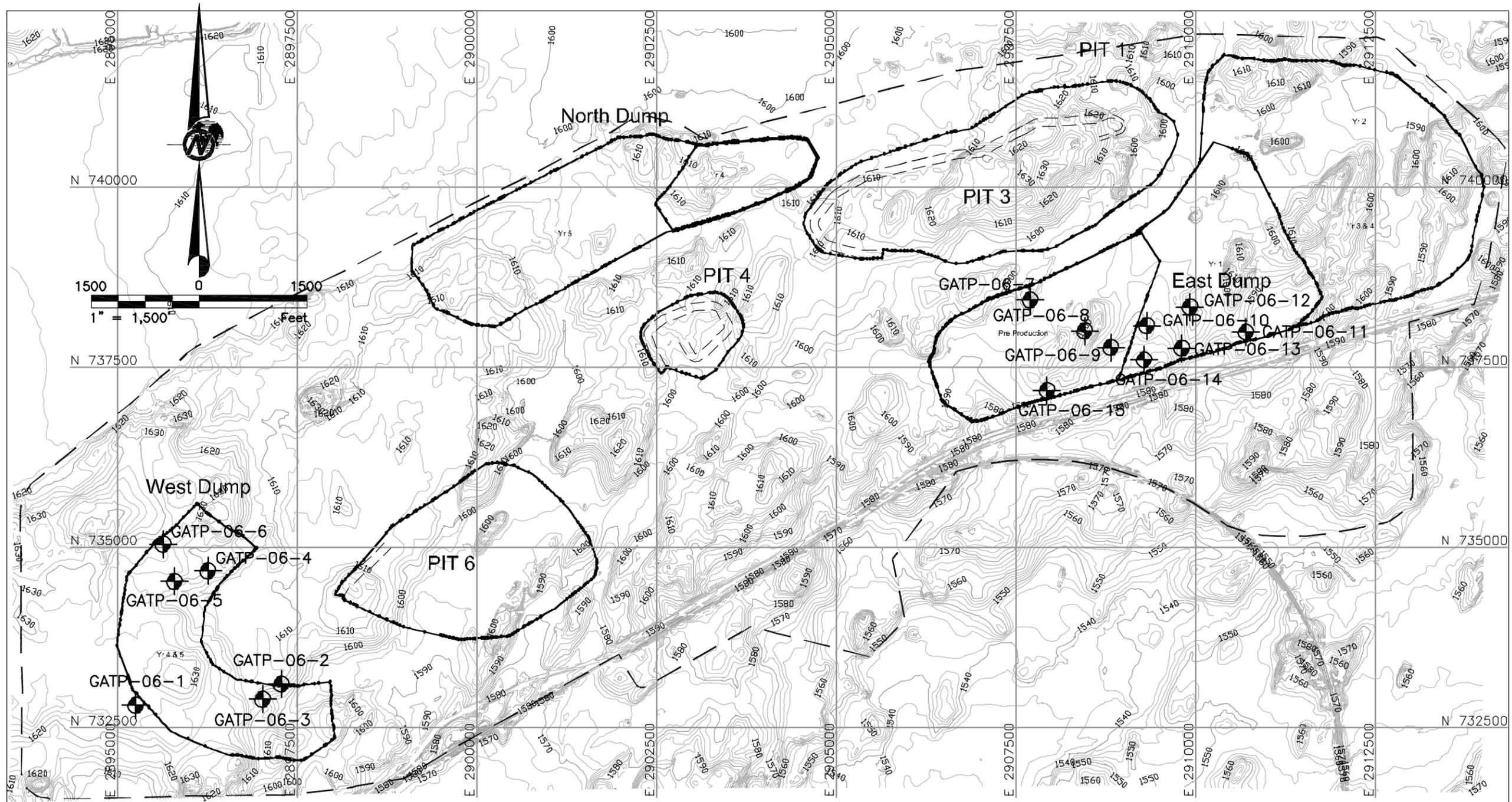


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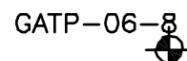


Brent R. Bronson, P.E.  
Principal and Project Manager

## **FIGURES**



**LEGEND**

-  WASTE DUMP / PIT BOUNDARIES
-  PROJECT BOUNDARY
-  EXISTING TOPOGRAPHY
-  EXISTING ROADS
-  GOLDER TEST PIT, APRIL 2006

**NOTES:**

1. SITE TOPOGRAPHY PROVIDED BY POLYMET MINING COMPANY.
2. WASTE STOCKPILE FOOTPRINTS PROVIDED BY POLYMET MINE PLANNERS, FEBRUARY 2006

Dwg Name: NA\05\053-2209\0532209A007.dwg  
 Layout Name: 11x17 - Machine NOT SET  
 Last Update: Jun 08, 2006 17:38 By: J. Roberts  
 Last Plot: Aug 14, 2006 10:56 By: J. Roberts

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PROJECT			POLYMET MINING CORPORATION MINE WASTE STOCKPILE DESIGN HOYT LAKES, MINNESOTA			
TITLE			TEST TRENCH LOCATION MAP			
PROJECT No.		053-2209	FILE No.		0532209A007	
DESIGN	DLG	3/22/06	SCALE	AS SHOWN	REV. A	
CADD	DLC	3/23/06				
CHECK	KFM	3/23/06				
REVIEW	BRB	3/23/06				
 <b>Golder Associates</b> Denver, Colorado			<b>FIGURE 1</b>			

**APPENDIX A**  
**LOGS OF TEST TRENCHES**



# LOG OF TEST TRENCH

Sheet Number 1 of 1

Project POLYMET  
 Project Number 053-2209

Test Pit Number G06-TP1  
 Total Depth 20 feet  
 Date Begin 4/18/06  
 Date End 4/18/06

Station / Location West Area, 5272811N, 574936E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data		
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time	Date
	0						SUBSURFACE MATERIAL			
	0.0 - 0.5						Topsoil			
	0.5 - 3.0	GRAB	1				Moist, brown, silty SAND with little to some gravel, cobbles (SM)			
	3.0 - 12.0						Moist, light brown, silty SAND with gravel, few cobbles and boulders (SM)			
	12.0 - 20.0	GRAB	2				Moist to wet, gray, silty SAND, little to some gravel, cobbles and boulders (SM)			
	20.0	GRAB	3				BOH 20 ft.			
	21						Notes: No bedrock encountered.			

LOG OF TEST PIT 053-2209.GPJ\_DUL\_GOLDER.GDT 8/29/06

CHECKED:

DATE:



# LOG OF TEST TRENCH

Sheet Number 1 of 1

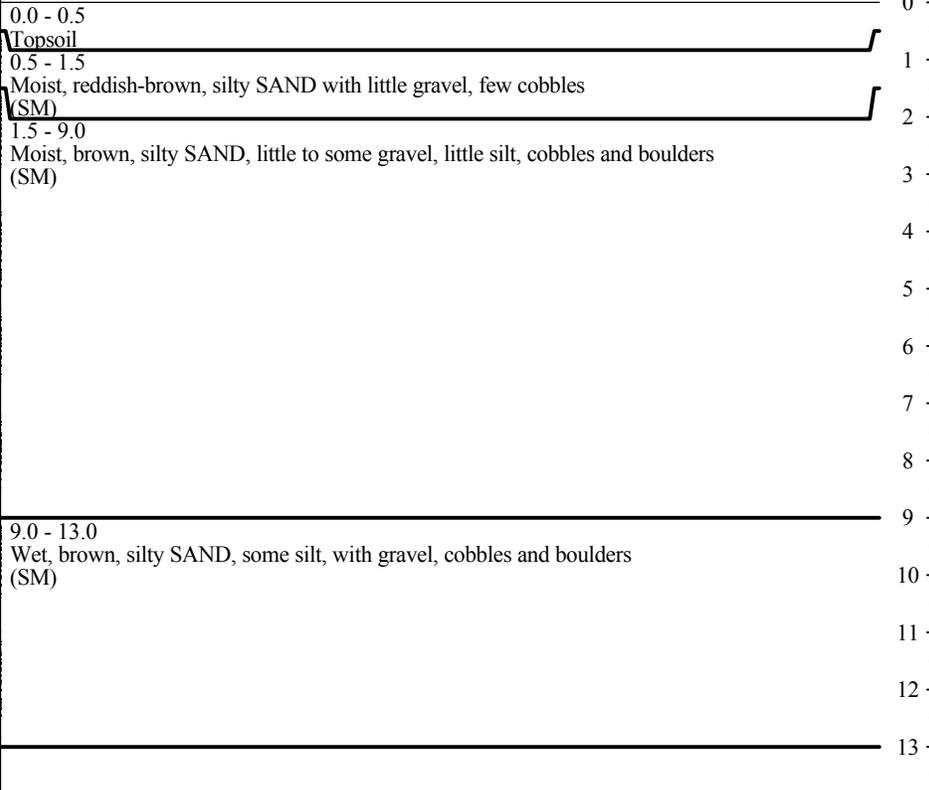
Project POLYMET  
 Project Number 053-2209

Test Pit Number G06-TP2  
 Total Depth 13 feet  
 Date Begin 4/18/06  
 Date End 4/18/06

Station / Location West Area, 5272900N, 575553E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data	
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time
	0							13	
	1	GRAB	1					09:20	
	2							4/18/06	
	3								
	4								
	5	GRAB	2						
	6								
	7								
	8								
	9								
	10	GRAB	3						
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**SUBSURFACE MATERIAL**



Notes:  
 Bedrock encountered at 13.0 feet.

LOG OF TEST PIT 053-2209.GPJ DUL.GOLDER.GDT 8/29/06

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DATE:



# LOG OF TEST TRENCH

Sheet Number 1 of 1

Project POLYMET  
 Project Number 053-2209

Test Pit Number G06-TP3  
 Total Depth 15 feet  
 Date Begin 4/18/06  
 Date End 4/18/06

Station / Location West Area, 5272836N, 575474E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data	
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time
	0								
	1	GRAB	1				0.0 - 0.5		
	2							0.5 - 3.5	
	3						Moist, reddish-brown, silty SAND with gravel, few cobbles (SM)		
	4						3.5 - 15.0		
	5						Moist to wet, grayish brown, silty SAND, some silt, with gravel, cobbles and boulders (SM)		
	6								
	7								
	8								
	9	GRAB	2						
	10								
	11								
	12								
	13								
	14								
	15								
	16						BOH 15 ft.		
	17								
	18								
	19								
	20								
	21								
	22								
	23								
	24								
	25								

**SUBSURFACE MATERIAL**

Notes:  
 Bedrock encountered at 15.0 feet.

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Test Pit Number G06-TP4  
 Total Depth 13.5 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location West Area, 5273379N, 575242E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_

Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data			
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time	Date	Symbol
Excavation	0							SUBSURFACE MATERIAL			
	0.0 - 0.5							Topsoil			
	0.5 - 4.5	GRAB	1					Moist to wet, brown, silty SAND with gravel, little silt, cobbles (SM)			
	4.5 - 13.5	GRAB	2					Moist, grayish-brown, silty SAND, some gravel, few cobbles, some silt (SM)			
	13.5							BOH 3.5 ft			
								Notes: Bedrock encountered at 13.5 feet.			
	1										
	2										
	3										
	4										
	5										
	6										
	7										
	8										
	9										
	10										
	11										
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Project POLYMET  
 Project Number 053-2209

Test Pit Number G06-TP5  
 Total Depth 14 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location West Area, 5273334N, 575100E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data		
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time	Date
Excavation	0							SUBSURFACE MATERIAL		
	0.0 - 0.5									
	0.5 - 4.0	GRAB	1							
	Moist, light brown, sandy lean CLAY, little gravel, (CL)									
	4.0 - 6.0	GRAB	2							
	Moist, reddish-brown, silty SAND, some gravel, few cobbles, little to some silt (SM)									
	6.0 - 14.0	GRAB	3							
	Moist to wet, gray, silty SAND, some silt, some gravel (SM)									
	14									
	BOH 14 ft.									
	Notes: Bedrock encountered at 14.0 feet.									
	15									
	16									
	17									
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Project POLYMET  
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Test Pit Number G06-TP6  
 Total Depth 20 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location West Area, 5273491N, 575052E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_

Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data	
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time
	0							15	
	1							17:30	
	2							4/17/06	
	3								
	4								
	5								
	6								
	7								
	8	GRAB	1						
	9								
	10								
	11								
	12								
	13								
	14								
	15								
	16								
	17	GRAB	2						
	18								
	19								
	20								
	21								
	22								
	23								
	24								
	25								

**SUBSURFACE MATERIAL**

0.0 - 0.5  
 Topsoil

0.5 - 15.0  
 Moist, brown, silty SAND with gravel, little to some silt, few cobbles and boulders (SM)

15.0 - 20.0  
 Waterbearing, gray, sandy SILT (ML)

BOH  
 20 ft.

Notes:  
 No bedrock encountered

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Project POLYMET  
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Test Pit Number G06-TP7  
 Total Depth 3.5 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location Pre-Production Area, 5274524N, 578727E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data				
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time	Date	Symbol	
Excavation	0	GRAB	1					SUBSURFACE MATERIAL				
	0.0 - 0.5										0	
	0.5 - 3.5										1	
	Moist, brown, silty SAND with gravel, little silt, few cobbles and boulders (SM)											
	3.5											3
	4											4
	BOH 3.5 ft											
	Notes: Bedrock encountered at 3.5 feet											
	5											5
	6											6
	7											7
	8											8
	9											9
	10											10
	11											11
	12											12
	13											13
	14											14
	15											15
	16											16
	17											17
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	19											19
	20											20
	21											21
22									22			
23									23			
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Project POLYMET  
 Project Number 053-2209

Test Pit Number G06-TP8  
 Total Depth 4.5 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location Pre-Production Area, 5274393N, 578958E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data	
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	
	0								
Excavation	1	GRAB	1						
	2								
	3	GRAB	2						
	4								
	5								
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**SUBSURFACE MATERIAL**

0.0 - 2.0  
 Moist, reddish-brown, silty SAND, little gravel, little to some silt (SM)

2.0 - 4.5  
 Moist, brown, medium to coarse grained SAND and GRAVEL, trace silt, (SP)

BOH  
 4.5 ft.

Notes:  
 Bedrock encountered at 4.5 feet

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Project POLYMET  
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Test Pit Number G06-TP9  
 Total Depth 8.5 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location Pre-Production Area, 5274323N, 579069E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data		Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data	
		Method	Number				Depth in (ft.)	Time
							4.5	
							11:40	
							4/17/06	
							▼	
SUBSURFACE MATERIAL								
Excavation	0						0.0 - 0.5	0
	1						Topsoil	1
	2	GRAB	1				0.5 - 4.0 Moist, brown, silty SAND, little to some gravel, some silt, few cobbles and boulders (SM)	2
	3							3
	4							4
	5						4.0 - 8.5 Wet, brown, medium to coarse grained SAND and GRAVEL, little silt, few cobbles (SP-SM)	5
	6	GRAB	2					6
	7							7
	8							8
	9						BOH 8.5 ft.	9
10						Notes: Bedrock encountered at 8.5 feet	10	
	11						11	
	12						12	
	13						13	
	14						14	
	15						15	
	16						16	
	17						17	
	18						18	
	19						19	
	20						20	
	21						21	
	22						22	
	23						23	
	24						24	
	25						25	

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Project POLYMET  
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Test Pit Number G06-TP10  
 Total Depth 8 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location East Area, 5274415N, 579221E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data		Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data		SUBSURFACE MATERIAL	
		Method	Number				Depth in (ft.)	Time		
Excavation	0								0.0 - 0.5	0
	1	GRAB	1						Topsoil	1
	2							0.5 - 4.0	Moist, brown, silty SAND, little gravel, some silt, few cobbles (SM)	2
	3									
	4	GRAB	2						4.0 - 6.0	4
	5							Wet, brown, medium to coarse grained SAND and GRAVEL, trace silt (SP)	5	
	6	GRAB	3						6.0 - 8.0	6
	7							Wet, brown, silty SAND with gravel, little silt, some gravel (SP-SM)	7	
	8								BOH 8 ft.	8
	9								Notes: Bedrock encountered at 8.0 feet	9
10									10	
11									11	
12									12	
13									13	
14									14	
15									15	
16									16	
17									17	
18									18	
19									19	
20									20	
21									21	
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Project POLYMET  
 Project Number 053-2209

Test Pit Number G06-TP11  
 Total Depth 6 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location East Area, 5274388N, 579641E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data			
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time	Date	Symbol
	0						SUBSURFACE MATERIAL				
Excavation	0						0.0 - 0.5				0
	1	GRAB	1				Topsoil				1
	2			0.5 - 3.0				Moist, reddish-brown, silty SAND with gravel, some silt, cobbles (SM)			2
	3						3.0 - 6.0				3
	4	GRAB	2				Moist to wet, brown, fine to coarse grained silty SAND and GRAVEL, (SM)				4
	5										5
6							BOH 6 ft.				6
7							Notes: Bedrock encountered at 6.0 feet				7
	8										8
	9										9
	10										10
	11										11
	12										12
	13										13
	14										14
	15										15
	16										16
	17										17
	18										18
	19										19
	20										20
	21										21
	22										22
	23										23
	24										24
	25										25

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Project POLYMET  
 Project Number 053-2209

Test Pit Number G06-TP12  
 Total Depth 5 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location East Area, 5274494N, 579404E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data			
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time	Date	Symbol
	0						SUBSURFACE MATERIAL				
Excavation	0						0.0 - 0.5				0
	1	GRAB	1				Topsoil				1
	2						0.5 - 3.0				2
	3						Moist, brown, silty SAND with gravel, little to some silt, cobbles (SM)				3
	4	GRAB	2				3.0 - 5.0				4
	5						Moist, grayish-brown, silty SAND with gravel, little to some silt, few cobbles (SM)				5
	6						BOH 5 ft.				6
	7						Notes: Bedrock encountered at 5.0 feet				7
	8										8
	9										9
	10										10
	11										11
	12										12
	13										13
	14										14
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	17										17
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	19										19
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	21										21
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	24										24
	25										25

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Project POLYMET  
 Project Number 053-2209

Test Pit Number G06-TP13  
 Total Depth 9 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location East Area, 5274320N, 579369E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data			
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time	Date	Symbol
	0							SUBSURFACE MATERIAL			
Excavation	0						0.0 - 0.5				
	1	GRAB	1				Topsoil				
	2						0.5 - 4.0				
	3						Moist, reddish-brown, silty SAND with gravel, little to some silt, few cobbles and boulders (SM)				
	4							4.0 - 9.0			
	5	GRAB	2				Moist to wet, grayish-brown, silty SAND with gravel, little to some silt, few cobbles and boulders (SM)				
	6										
	7										
	8										
9											
	9						BOH 9 ft.				
	10						Notes: Bedrock encountered at 9.0 feet				
	11										
	12										
	13										
	14										
	15										
	16										
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	18										
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Project POLYMET  
 Project Number 053-2209

Test Pit Number G06-TP14  
 Total Depth 3.5 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location East Area, 5274271N, 579210E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data				
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time	Date	Symbol	
Excavation	0	GRAB	1					SUBSURFACE MATERIAL				
	0.0 - 0.5										0	
	0.5 - 3.5										1	
	Wet, reddish-brown, silty SAND, little gravel, some silt, few cobbles (SM)											
	3.5											3
	4											4
	BOH 3.5 ft.											
	Notes: Bedrock encountered at 3.5 feet											
	5											5
	6											6
	7											7
	8											8
	9											9
	10											10
	11											11
	12											12
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Project POLYMET  
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Test Pit Number G06-TP15  
 Total Depth 11.5 feet  
 Date Begin 4/17/06  
 Date End 4/17/06

Station / Location Pre-Production Area, 5274143N, 578799E Offset from Center Line \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation Reference ---  
 Equipment Type 690 ELC Weather \_\_\_\_\_  
 Golder Staff M. Krzewinski Field Crew R. Radotich

Method	Depth in (Feet)	Sample Data			Loc. Sampled	Water Level	Soil Graph	Ground Water Data	
		Method	Number					Depth in (ft.)	Time
								5	
								09:40	
								4/17/06	
								▼	
SUBSURFACE MATERIAL									
Excavation	0							0.0 - 1.0	0
	1							Topsoil	1
	2	GRAB	1					1.0 - 4.0 Moist, brown, silty SAND with gravel, some gravel, some silt (SM)	2
	3								3
	4								4
	5							4.0 - 11.5 Moist, grayish-brown, silty SAND with little gravel, little to some silt, cobbles and boulders (SM)	5
	6								6
	7	GRAB	2						7
	8								8
	9								9
	10								10
	11								11
12							BOH 1.5 ft	12	
13							Notes: Bedrock encountered at 11.5 feet	13	
14								14	
15								15	
16								16	
17								17	
18								18	
19								19	
20								20	
21								21	
22								22	
23								23	
24								24	
25								25	

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**APPENDIX B**

**SIEVE ANALYSES  
ONE-DIMENSIONAL CONSOLIDATION  
TRIAXIAL SHEAR TEST REPORT  
MOISTURE DENSITY RELATIONSHIPS  
PERMEABILITY TEST DATA**

**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** August 28, 2006

**Project No.:** HB-06-01173

**Client:** Ms. Amy C. Smith, PE  
Senior Engineer, Manager Duluth Operations  
Golder Associates, Inc.  
1346 West Arrowhead Road, Box #304  
Duluth, MN 55811

**Project Description:** Test Pit  
Samples, Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota  
(Golder Project # 053-2209.002)

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 6

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-26-06

Classification: SM-SILTY SAND, fine to medium grained, with GRAVEL, brown

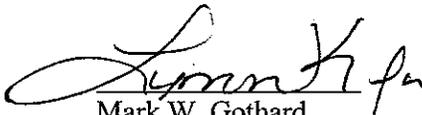
Sample Location: TP #1, Sample #2, 3'-12'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	89
#4	82
#10	74
#20	64
#40	55
#100	39
#200	28.6

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 7.7%

  
Mark W. Gothard  
Project Manager

**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** August 28, 2006

**Project No.:** HB-06-01173

**Client:** Ms. Amy C. Smith, PE  
Senior Engineer, Manager Duluth Operations  
Golder Associates, Inc.  
1346 West Arrowhead Road, Box #304  
Duluth, MN 55811

**Project Description:** Test Pit  
Samples, Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota  
(Golder Project # 053-2209.002)

**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 7

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-27-06

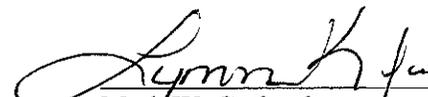
Classification: SM- SILTY SAND, very fine to fine grained, with some Gravel,  
grayish brown

Sample Location: TP #1, Sample #3, 12'-20'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	91
#4	87
#10	80
#20	72
#40	64
#100	48
#200	37.5

**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 8.5%

  
Mark W. Gothard  
Project Manager

**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** August 28, 2006

**Project No.:** HB-06-01173

**Client:** Ms. Amy C. Smith, PE  
Senior Engineer, Manager Duluth Operations  
Golder Associates, Inc.  
1346 West Arrowhead Road, Box #304  
Duluth, MN 55811

**Project Description:** Test Pit  
Samples, Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota  
(Golder Project # 053-2209.002)

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 13

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-28-06

Classification: SM – SILTY SAND, fine grained, brown

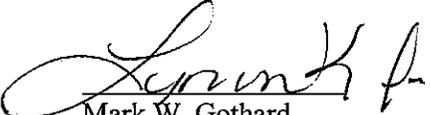
Sample Location: TP #2, Sample #3, 9'-13'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	98
#4	96
#10	89
#20	79
#40	69
#100	49
#200	35.6

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 16.5%

  
Mark W. Gothard  
Project Manager

**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** August 22, 2006

**Project No.:** HB-06-01173

**Client** Ms. Amy C. Thorson, PE  
: Senior Engineer, Manager Duluth  
Operations  
Golder Associates, Inc.  
1346 West Arrowhead Road, Box #304  
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**Project Description:** Test Pit  
Samples, Hoyt Lakes,  
Minnesota  
(Golder Project # 053-  
2209.002)

**Field Data:**

**REVISED**

Braun Sample No.: 4

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-26-06

Classification: SM – SILTY SAND, fine- to medium-grained, brown

Sample Location: TP #4, Sample #1, 1/2'-4 1/2'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	98
#4	92
#10	83
#20	72
#40	62
#100	44
#200	31.3

**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 7.2%  
LL=7, PL=7, PI=0

  
Mark W. Gothard, PE  
Project Manager

**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** August 28, 2006

**Project No.:** HB-06-01173

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 2

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-25-06

Classification: SM – SILTY SAND, fine grained, with a little Gravel, grayish brown

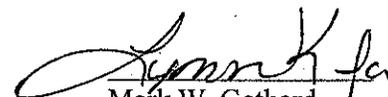
Sample Location: TP #4, Sample #2, 4 1/2-13 1/2'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	94
#4	89
#10	82
#20	73
#40	65
#100	49
#200	39.3

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 7.2%

  
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Project Manager

**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** April 28, 2006

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 8

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-27-06

Classification: CL – SANDY LEAN CLAY, with a little gravel, grayish brown

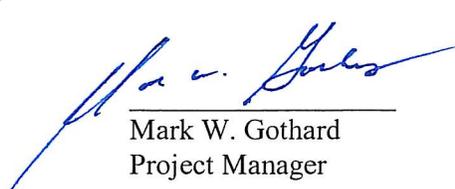
Sample Location: TP #5, Sample #1, 0.5'-4'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	93
#4	87
#10	81
#20	75
#40	69
#100	61
#200	51.4

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 10.1%, LL=25, PL=16, PI=9

  
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AASHTO T27 & T11**

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 14

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-28-06

Classification: SM – SILTY SAND, fine grained, gray

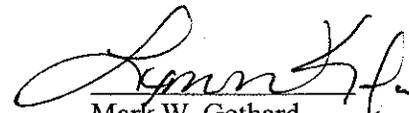
Sample Location: TP #5, Sample #3, 6'-14'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	100
#4	99
#10	96
#20	89
#40	80
#100	62
#200	47.0

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 12.2%

  
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Project Manager

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AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** April 28, 2006

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 10  
Date Sampled: N/A  
Date Received: 4-19-06  
Date Tested: 4-27-06  
Classification: ML-S – SANDY SILT, gray  
Sample Location: TP #6, Sample #2, 15'-20'

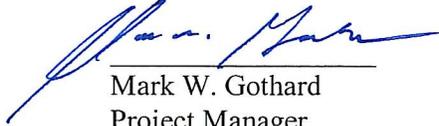
**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	100
#4	100
#10	99
#20	96
#40	90
#100	69
#200	51.7

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 13.0%

  
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Project Manager

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 11

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-27-06

Classification: SM – SILTY SAND, fine to medium grained, with GRAVEL, brown

Sample Location: TP #7, Sample #1, 0.5'-3.5'

**Laboratory Results:**

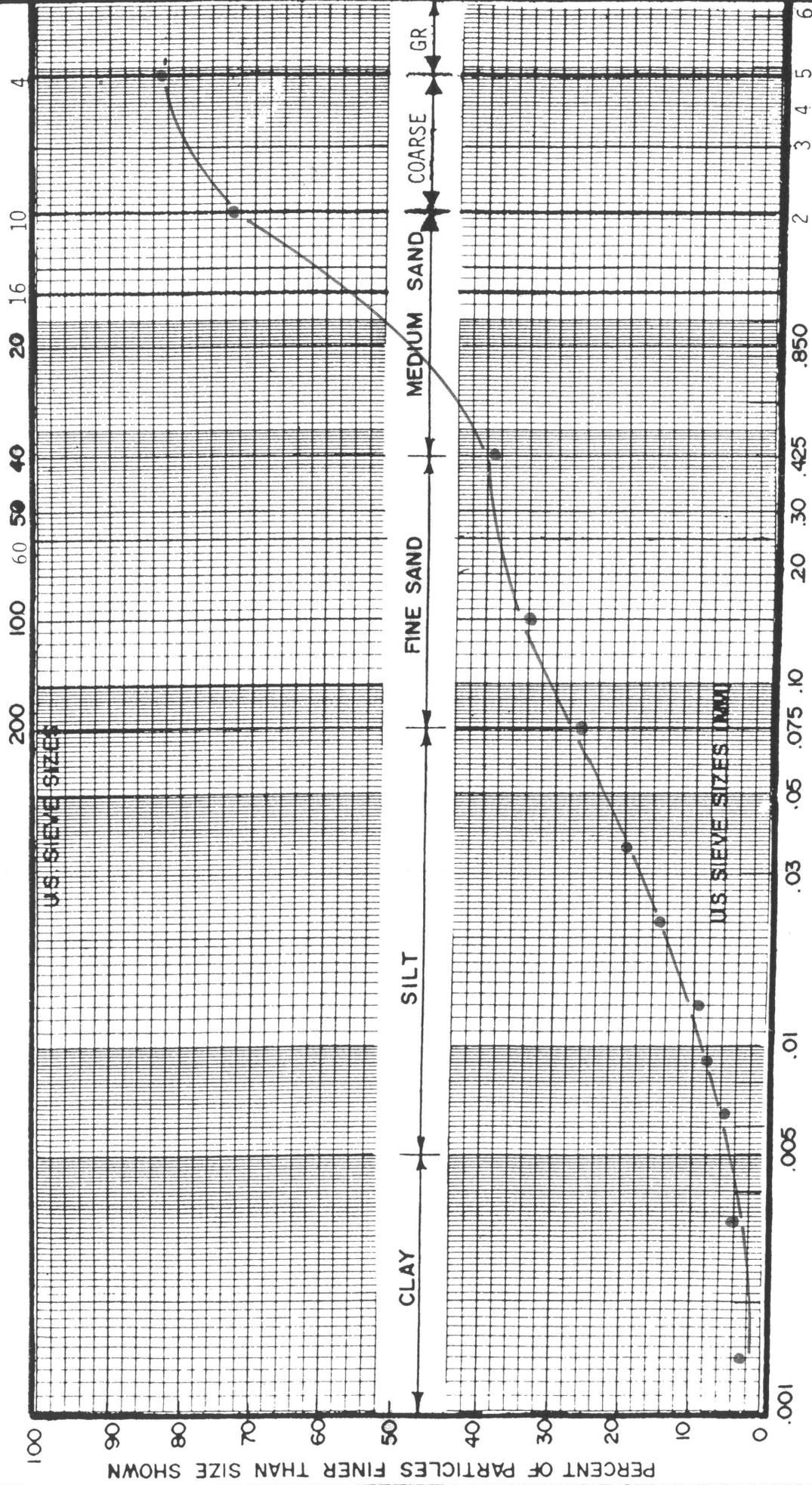
<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	92
#4	83
#10	73
#20	60
#40	39
#100	34
#200	26.5

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 12.4%

  
Mark W. Gothard  
Project Manager

# GRAIN SIZE ACCUMULATION CURVE



GOLDER PROJECT #053-2209.002

PROJECT: HB-06-01173  
 TEST PIT SAMPLES, HOYT  
 LAKES, MN  
 NOTES: TP # 7, SAMPLE  
 # 1, 1/2' - 3 1/2' (BRAUN #11)

GRAVEL	17
C. SAND	10
M. SAND	34
F. SAND	13
SILT	22
CLAY	4

CLASSIFICATION:  
 SM-SILTY SAND,  
 WITH GRAVEL  
 LL=20, PL=17, PI=3



**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** April 28, 2006

**Project No.:** HB-06-01173

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 1

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-25-06

Classification: SP – POORLY GRADED SAND, fine to coarse grained, with  
GRAVEL, brown

Sample Location: TP #8, Sample #2, 2-4 1/2'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	71
#4	60
#10	47
#20	24
#40	13
#100	4
#200	1.8

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 7.3%

  
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Project Manager

**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** April 28, 2006

**Project No.:** HB-06-01173

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 3

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-26-06

Classification: SM – SILTY SAND, fine to coarse grained, with a little  
Gravel, brown

Sample Location: TP #11, Sample #2, 3'-6'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	97
#4	90
#10	77
#20	68
#40	52
#100	34
#200	23.9

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 21.5%

  
Mark W. Gothard  
Project Manager

**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** August 22, 2006

**Project No.:** HB-06-01173

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**Project Description:** Test Pit  
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Minnesota  
(Golder Project # 053-  
2209.002)

**Field Data:**

**REVISED**

Braun Sample No.: 5

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-26-06

Classification: SM- SILTY SAND, fine to medium grained, with GRAVEL,  
brown

Sample Location: TP #13, Sample #2, 4'-9'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	83
#4	77
#10	68
#20	60
#40	53
#100	38
#200	26.0

**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 8.0%  
LL=10, PL=8, PI=2

  
Mark W. Gothard, PE  
Project Manager



**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

**Date:** August 28, 2006

**Project No.:** HB-06-01173

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 12

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-28-06

Classification: SM – SILTY SAND, fine grained, reddish brown

Sample Location: TP #14, Sample #1, 0.5'-3.5'

**Laboratory Results:**

<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	100
#4	100
#10	99
#20	97
#40	33
#100	67
#200	46.8

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 26.9%

  
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Project Manager

**Sieve Analysis of Aggregate Sample  
AASHTO T27 & T11**

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**Field Data:**

Braun Sample No.: 9

Date Sampled: N/A

Date Received: 4-19-06

Date Tested: 4-27-06

Classification: SM -- SILTY SAND, fine to medium grained, with a little gravel

Sample Location: TP #15, Sample #2, 4'-11.5'

**Laboratory Results:**

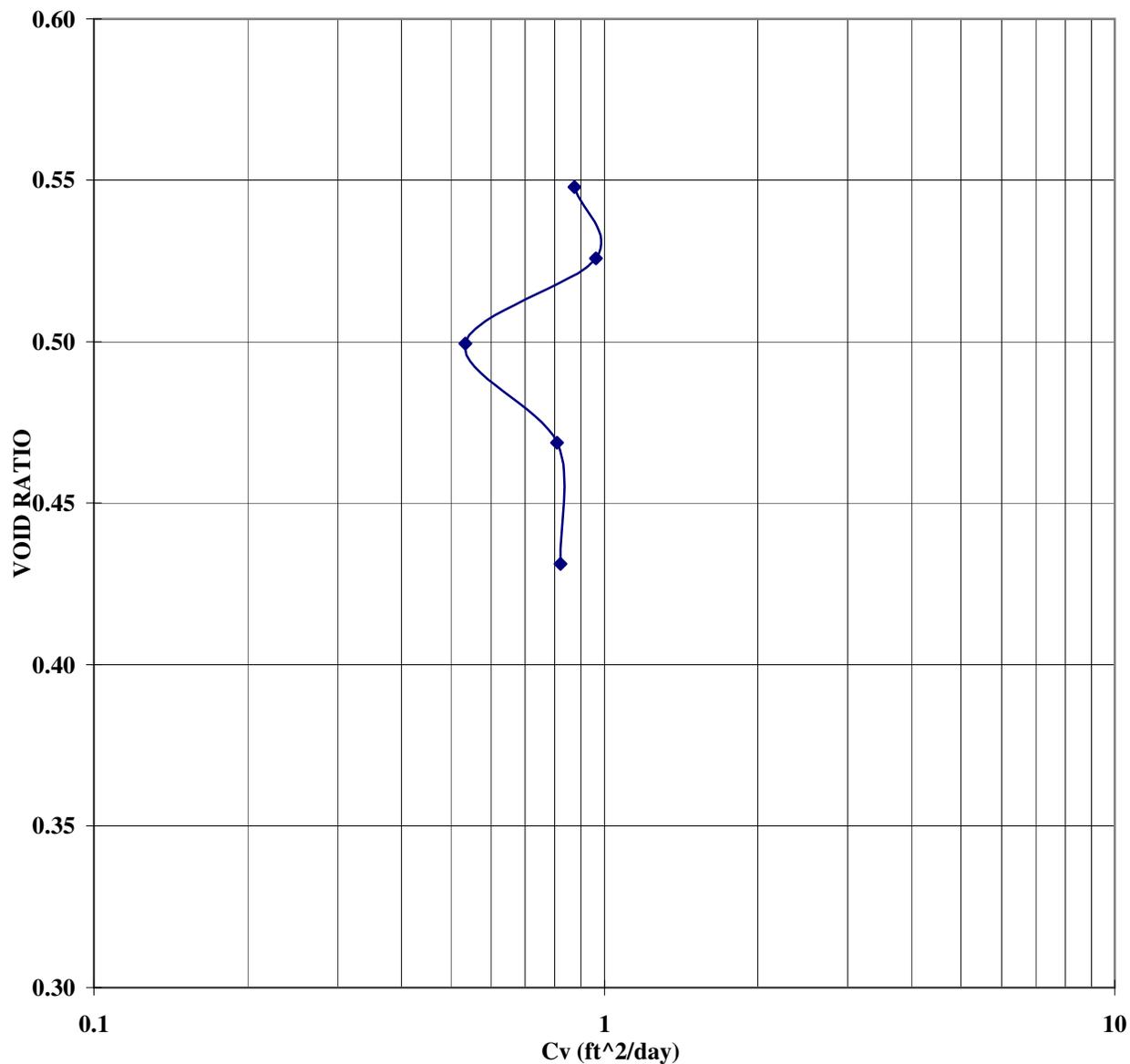
<u>Sieve Size</u>	<u>% Passing</u>
3/4"	100
3/8"	94
#4	88
#10	79
#20	70
#40	61
#100	48
#200	38.8

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**Remarks:** Natural moisture content = 18.7%

  
Mark W. Gothard  
Project Manager

**ONE-DIMENSIONAL CONSOLIDATION**



**SAMPLE #:**

**G06-TP5 @ 0.5'-4'**

**DESCRIPTION:**

Olive brown clayey sand

**Polymet/Mine Waste Impound Dsgn/MN  
053-2209**

DATE	5/16/2006
TECH	RT
REVIEW	JEO

**GOLDER ASSOCIATES INC.  
LAKEWOOD, COLORADO**

Sample # = G06-TP5  
Point # = 1

Sample # = G06-TP5  
Point # = 2

Sample # = G06-TP5  
Point # = 3

**Initial**  
Length = 14.73 cm  
Diameter = 7.22 cm  
Wet Weight = 1293.70 g  
Area = 40.9 cm<sup>2</sup>  
Sample Area = 6.35 in<sup>2</sup>

**Initial**  
Length = 14.73 cm  
Diameter = 7.22 cm  
Wet Weight = 1293.70 g  
Area = 40.9 cm<sup>2</sup>  
Sample Area = 6.35 in<sup>2</sup>

**Initial**  
Length = 14.73 cm  
Diameter = 7.22 cm  
Wet Weight = 1293.70 g  
Area = 40.9 cm<sup>2</sup>  
Sample Area = 6.35 in<sup>2</sup>

Volume = 603.1 cm<sup>3</sup>  
Moisture Content = 17.3%  
Specific Gravity = -  
Dry Weight of Solids = 1102.90 g  
Wet Unit Weight = 2.15 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Dry Unit Weight = 1.83 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Wet Unit Weight = 133.9 pcf  
Dry Unit Weight = 114.1 pcf

Volume = 603.1 cm<sup>3</sup>  
Moisture Content = 17.3%  
Specific Gravity = -  
Dry Weight of Solids = 1102.90 g  
Wet Unit Weight = 2.15 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Dry Unit Weight = 1.83 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Wet Unit Weight = 133.9 pcf  
Dry Unit Weight = 114.1 pcf

Volume = 603.1 cm<sup>3</sup>  
Moisture Content = 17.3%  
Specific Gravity = -  
Dry Weight of Solids = 1102.90 g  
Wet Unit Weight = 2.15 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Dry Unit Weight = 1.83 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Wet Unit Weight = 133.9 pcf  
Dry Unit Weight = 114.1 pcf

Cell Pressure = 75 psi  
Back Pressure = 50 psi  
Confining Pressure = 25 psi

Cell Pressure = 100 psi  
Back Pressure = 50 psi  
Confining Pressure = 50 psi

Cell Pressure = 150 psi  
Back Pressure = 50 psi  
Confining Pressure = 100 psi

Notes: Sample visually described as: clay, olive brown, sandy to very sandy, part clayey sand, scattered small gravel and very dark gray claystone/shale fragments.  
Specimen was undisturbed Shelby tube sample.  
Failure defined as maximum principal stress ratio.  
Strain rate was 0.05 mm/min.  
Test was a staged triaxial shear test.

**Golder Associates, Inc.**  
**Denver, Colorado**

Title:

**TRIAXIAL SHEAR TEST REPORT**  
**SAMPLE DATA AND CALCULATIONS**

Job Short Title:

**Polymet Minnesota**

**G06 - TP5 1A 0.5 -4'**

Reviewed:

**JEO**

Date:

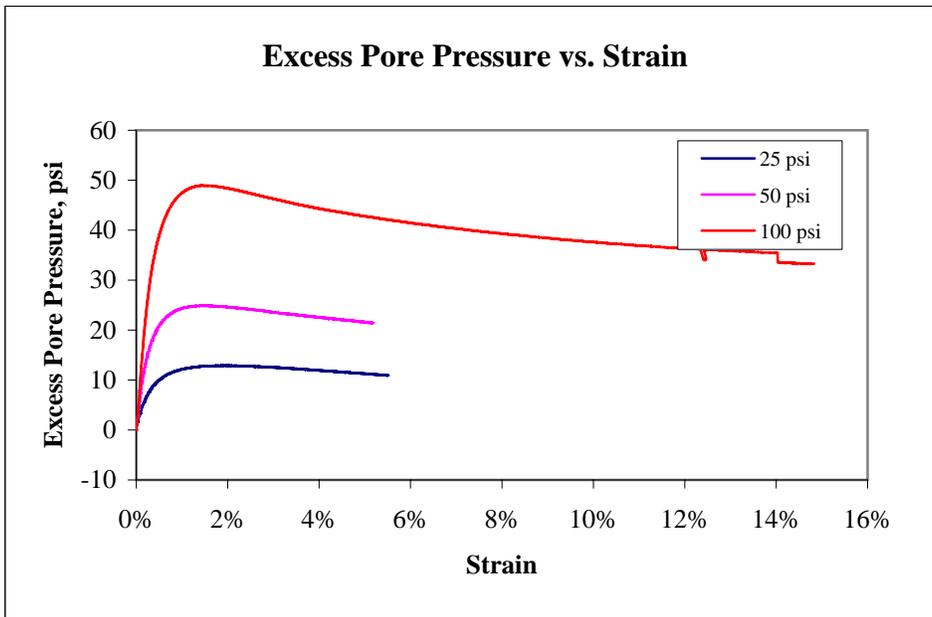
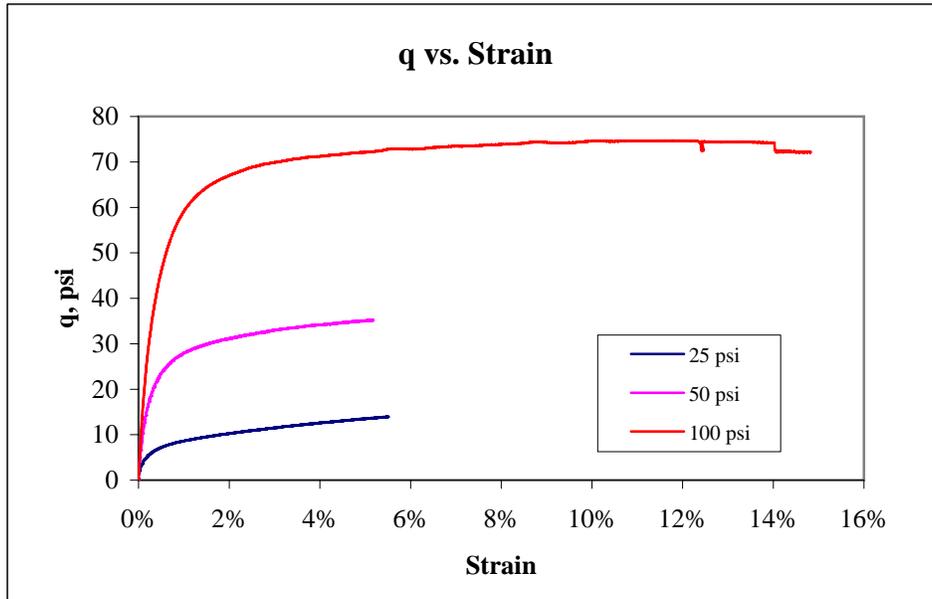
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Job Number:

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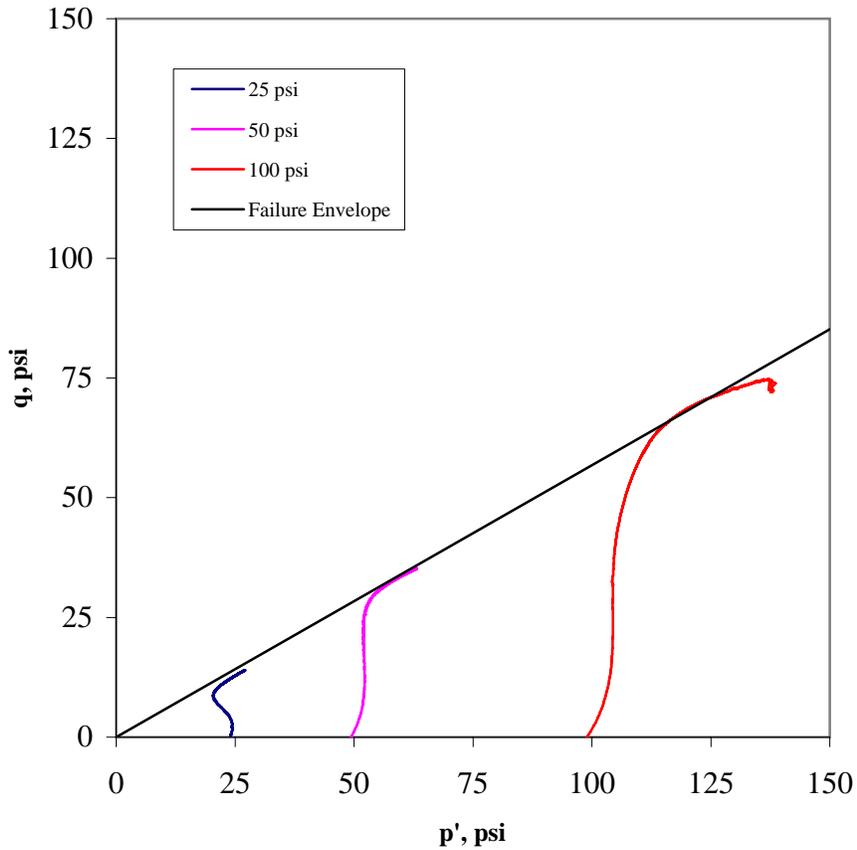
Figure:

**1**



<b>Golder Associates, Inc.</b> <b>Denver, Colorado</b>	Title: <b>C-U TRIAXIAL SHEAR DATA</b>			
Job Short Title: <b>Polymet Minnesota</b>	<b>q AND EXCESS PORE PRESSURE PLOTS</b>			
Sample Number: <b>G06 - TP5 1A 0.5 -4'</b>	Reviewed: <b>JEO</b>	Date: <b>05/12/06</b>	Job Number: <b>053-2209</b>	Figure: <b>2</b>

### Stress Path (p'-q) Plot



#### Stress Path Parameters

$$\psi' = 29.6 \text{ degrees}$$

$$a' = 0.0 \text{ psi}$$

**Golder Associates, Inc.**  
**Denver, Colorado**

Title:

**C-U TRIAXIAL SHEAR DATA**  
**STRESS PATH PLOT**

Job Short Title:

**Polymet Minnesota**

Sample Number:

**G06 - TP5 1A 0.5 -4'**

Reviewed:

**JEO**

Date:

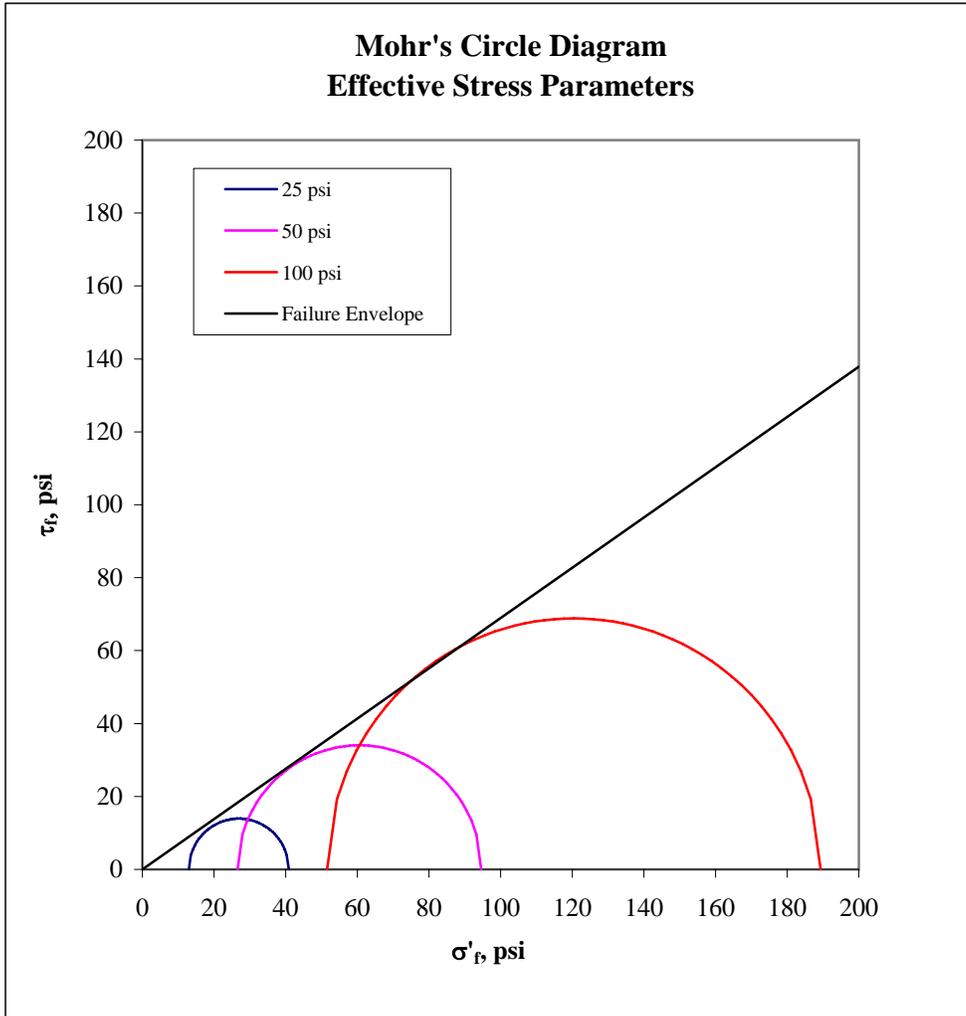
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Job Number:

**053-2209**

Figure:

**3**



Effective Stress Shear Strength Parameters

$\phi' = 34.6$  degrees

$c' = 0.0$  psi

<b>Golder Associates, Inc.</b> <b>Denver, Colorado</b>		Title: <b>C-U TRIAXIAL SHEAR DATA</b> <b>MOHR'S CIRCLE DIAGRAM</b>		
Job Short Title: <b>Polymet Minnesota</b>				
Sample Number: <b>G06 - TP5 1A 0.5 -4'</b>	Reviewed: <b>JEO</b>	Date: <b>5/12/2006</b>	Job Number: <b>053-2209</b>	Figure: <b>4</b>

**Consolidated-Undrained Triaxial Lab Data**

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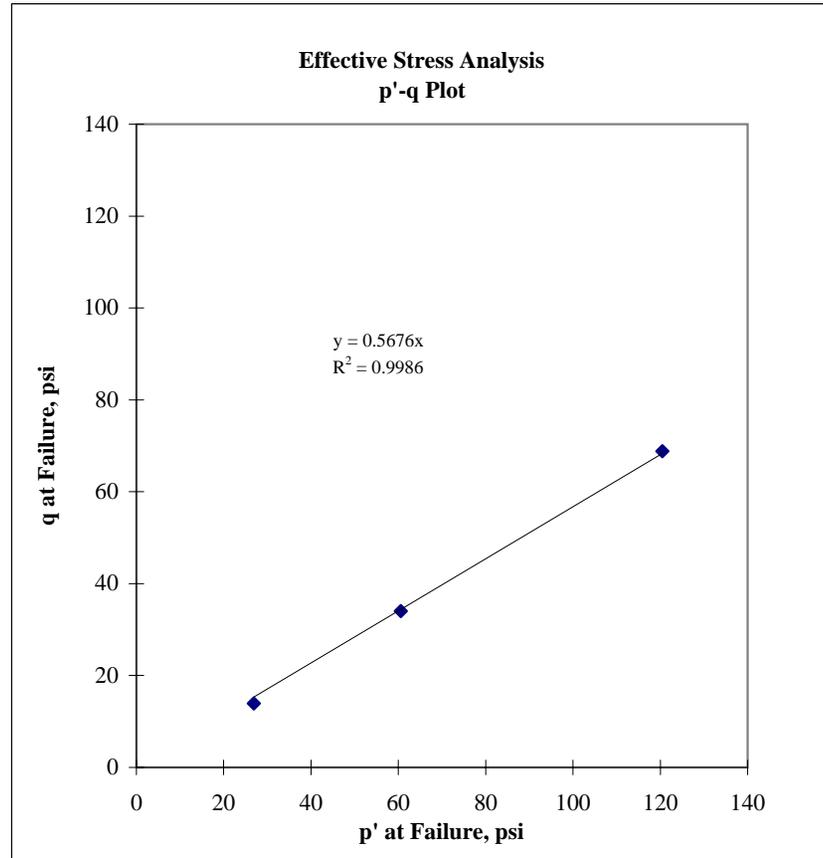
**Project: Polymet Minnesota**

**Project Number: 053-2209**

**Sample Number** G06 - TP5 1A 0.5 -4'  
**Effective Stress Analysis**

Point Number	p' (psi)	q (psi)
1	26.9	13.9
2	60.6	34.0
3	120.4	68.8

$\tan(\psi') = 0.5676$   
 $a' = 0.0$  psi  
 $\phi' = 34.6$  degrees  
 $c' = 0.0$  psi



**Consolidated-Undrained Triaxial Lab Data**

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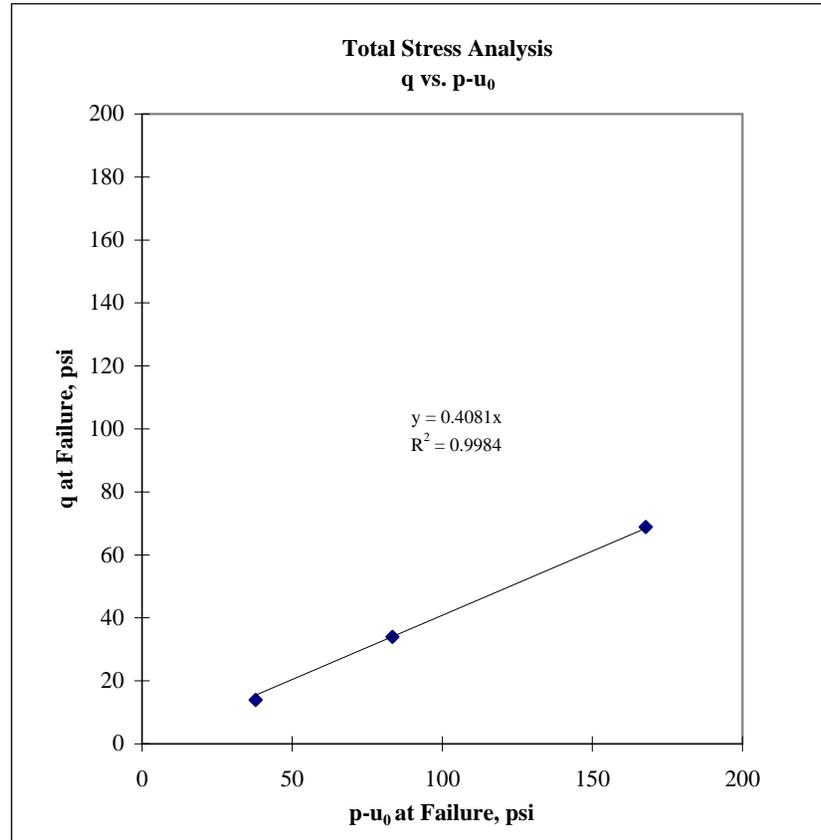
**Project: Polymet Minnesota**

**Project Number: 053-2209**

**Sample Number** G06 - TP5 1A 0.5 -4'  
**Total Stress Analysis**

Point Number	p-u <sub>0</sub> (psi)	q (psi)
1	37.9	13.9
2	83.4	34.0
3	167.8	68.8

$\tan(\psi) = 0.41$   
 $a = 0.0$  psi  
 $\phi = 24.1$  degrees  
 $c = 0.0$  psi



**Consolidated-Undrained Triaxial Lab Data**

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**Project: Polymet Minnesota**

**Project Number: 053-2209**

**Mohr-Coulomb Failure Criteria:**

$$\bar{\tau}_{fr} = c' + \sigma'_{fr} \tan(\phi')$$

$$\bar{\tau}_{fr} = c + \sigma_{fr} \tan(\phi)$$

Where:

$c'$ ,  $c$  = effective and total stress cohesion intercepts

$\phi'$ ,  $\phi$  = effective and total stress friction angles

$\tau_{fr}$  = shear strength on the failure surface at failure

$\sigma'_{fr}$ ,  $\sigma_{fr}$  = effective and total normal stresses on the failure surface at failure

**Stress Path Space:**

$$q = \frac{\sigma_1 - \sigma_3}{2} \quad p' = \frac{\sigma'_1 + \sigma'_3}{2} \quad p = \frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_3}{2}$$

Where:

$q$  = maximum shear stress

$p'$ ,  $p$  = mean effective and total stresses

$\sigma'_1$ ,  $\sigma_1$  = effective and total axial stresses

$\sigma'_3$ ,  $\sigma_3$  = effective and total confining stresses

**Stress Path Failure Criteria:**

$$q = a' + p' \tan(\psi')$$

$$q = a + (p - u_0) \tan(\psi)$$

Where:

$a'$ ,  $a$  = intercepts of the  $q$ -axis in effective stress and total stress spaces

$\psi'$ ,  $\psi$  = angles of the failure envelopes in effective stress and total stress spaces

$q$  = maximum shear stress at failure

$p'$  = mean effective stress at failure

$p - u_0$  = mean total stress at failure minus the initial pore pressure

The relationships between  $\psi$  and  $\phi$  and  $a$  and  $c$  are as follows:

$$\tan(\psi) = \sin(\phi)$$

$$a = c \cos(\phi)$$

The relationships between  $\psi'$  and  $\phi'$  and  $a'$  and  $c'$  are as follows:

$$\tan(\psi') = \sin(\phi')$$

$$a' = c' \cos(\phi')$$



Staged Triaxial Shear Test  
Polymet/ Minnesota  
053-2209

Boring Number  
Sample Depth

G06-TP5  
0.5-4'

# Moisture-Density Relationship



Test specification: ASTM D 698-00a Method A Standard

Elev/ Depth	Classification		Nat. Moist.	Sp.G.	LL	PI	% > No.4	% < No.200
	USCS	AASHTO						
N.A.								

TEST RESULTS	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION
Maximum dry density = 125.7 pcf Optimum moisture = 12.4 %	SC-SM Silty clayey sand, brown
<b>Project No.:</b> HB-06-01173 <b>Client:</b> Golder and Assoc. <b>Project:</b> Polymet	<b>Remarks:</b> Test Pit #4, sample #1; 0.5-4.5'
● <b>Source:</b> <b>Sample No.:</b> P-3 <b>Elev./Depth:</b> N.A.	

# **BRAUN**

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# INTERTEC

## **Permeability Test Data**

**Date:** August 11, 2006

**Project:** HB-06-01173

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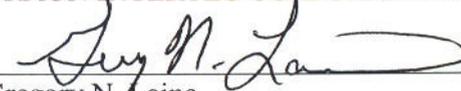
**Project Description:** Test Pit Samples, Hoyt  
Lakes, Minnesota  
  
(Golder Project #053-2209.002)

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Sample Number:	3
Date Sampled:	N/A
Sample Location:	TP #4, Sample #1, 0.5-4.5'
Soil Classification:	SC-SM – Silty Clayey Sand, brown
Type of Test:	Falling Head (ASTM D 5084)
Standard Proctor: Max. Density (pcf):	125.7
Optimum Moisture (%):	12.4
Density of Sample (pcf):	119.4
Percent Compaction (%)	95
Specimen Height (cm):	3.99
Specimen Diameter (cm):	3.80
Max. Head Differential (ft):	4.0
Confining Pressure (effective-psi):	2.0
Coefficient of Permeability: K@ 20° C (cm/sec)	1.35 x 10 <sup>-7</sup>

Notes:

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Gregory N. Laine  
Project Manager

# Moisture-Density Relationship



Test specification: ASTM D 698-00a Method A Standard

Elev/ Depth	Classification		Nat. Moist.	Sp.G.	LL	PI	% > No.4	% < No.200
	USCS	AASHTO						
N.A.								

TEST RESULTS	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION
Maximum dry density = 118.3 pcf Optimum moisture = 12.9 %	SM- Silty sand, fine grained, brown
Project No.: HB-06-01173      Client: Golder and Assoc. Project: Polymet	<b>Remarks:</b> Test Pit #7, sample#1, 0.5-3.5"
● Source:                                  Sample No.: P-2                          Elev./Depth: N.A.	
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# INTERTEC

## Permeability Test Data

**Date:** August 11, 2006

**Project:** HB-06-01173

**Client:** Ms. Amy C. Thorson, PE, Senior Engineer  
Manager Duluth Operations  
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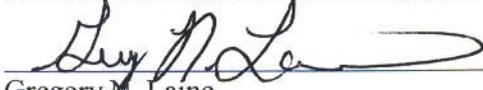
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Lakes, Minnesota  
(Golder Project #053-2209.002)

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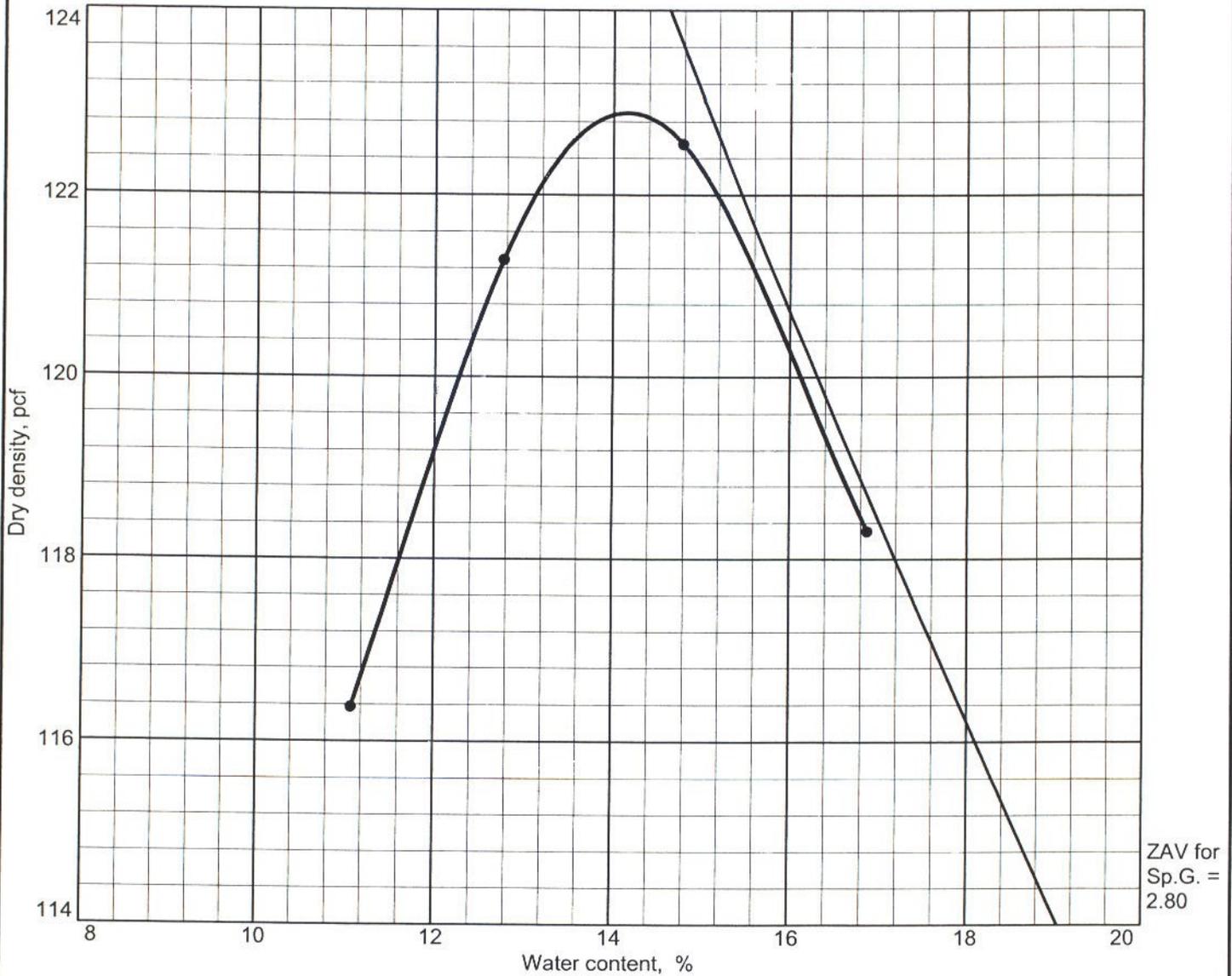
Sample Number:	2
Date Sampled:	N/A
Sample Location:	TP #7, Sample #1, 0.5-3.5'
Soil Classification:	SM – Silty Sand, brown
Type of Test:	Falling Head (ASTM D 5084)
Standard Proctor: Max. Density (pcf):	118.3
Optimum Moisture (%):	12.9
Density of Sample (pcf):	112.4
Percent Compaction (%)	95
Specimen Height (cm):	10.21
Specimen Diameter (cm):	9.65
Coefficient of Permeability: K@ 20° C (cm/sec)	2.04 x 10 <sup>-7</sup>

Notes:

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# Moisture-Density Relationship



Test specification: ASTM D 698-00a Method A Standard

Elev/ Depth	Classification		Nat. Moist.	Sp.G.	LL	PI	% > No.4	% < No.200
	USCS	AASHTO						
N.A.				2.80				

TEST RESULTS	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION
Maximum dry density = 122.9 pcf Optimum moisture = 14.2 %	SC- Clayey sand, brown
Project No.: HB-06-01173      Client: Golder and Assoc. Project: Polymet	Remarks: TP-13, sample #2, 4-9'
● Source:                      Sample No.: P-1                      Elev./Depth: N.A.	

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Lakes, Minnesota  
  
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Sample Number:	1
Date Sampled:	N/A
Sample Location:	TP #13, Sample #2, 4-9'
Soil Classification:	SC – Clayey Sand, brown
Type of Test:	Falling Head (ASTM D 5084)
Standard Proctor: Max. Density (pcf):	122.9
Optimum Moisture (%):	14.2
Density of Sample (pcf):	116.8
Percent Compaction (%)	95
Specimen Height (cm):	10.41
Specimen Diameter (cm):	9.65
Coefficient of Permeability: K@ 20° C (cm/sec)	1.06x 10 <sup>-7</sup>

Notes:

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**APPENDIX C**

**SOIL CLASSIFICATION/LEGEND  
ASTM CLASSIFICATION/INDEX**

## Unified Soil Classification System

CRITERIA FOR ASSIGNING GROUP SYMBOLS AND NAMES			SOIL CLASSIFICATION AND GENERALIZED GROUP DESCRIPTIONS		
COARSE - GRAINED SOILS More than 50% retained on No. 200 Sieve	GRAVELS More than 50% of coarse fraction retained on No. 4 Sieve	CLEAN GRAVELS Less than 5% fines <sup>C</sup>	GW	Well-graded Gravels <sup>F</sup>	
		GRAVELS WITH FINES More than 12% fines <sup>C</sup>	GP	Poorly-graded Gravels <sup>F</sup>	
	SANDS 50% or more of coarse fraction passes No. 4 Sieve	CLEAN SANDS Less than 5% fines <sup>D</sup>	SW	Well-graded Sands <sup>I</sup>	
		SANDS WITH FINES More than 12% fines <sup>D</sup>	SP	Poorly-graded Sands <sup>I</sup>	
	FINE- GRAINED SOILS 50% or more passes the No. 200 Sieve	SILT AND CLAYS Liquid limit less than 50	INORGANIC	CL	Low-plasticity Clays <sup>K, L, M</sup>
			ORGANIC	ML	Non/Low-Plasticity Silts <sup>K, L, M</sup>
SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid limit greater than 50		INORGANIC	CH	High-plasticity Clays <sup>K, L, M</sup>	
		ORGANIC	MH	High-plasticity Silts <sup>K, L, M</sup>	
HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS	Primarily organic matter, dark in color, and organic odor	INORGANIC	OH	High-plast. Org. Clays <sup>K, L, M, P</sup>	
		ORGANIC	PT	High-plast. Organic Silts <sup>K, L, M, P, Q</sup>	
HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS		Primarily organic matter, dark in color, and organic odor	PT	Peat	

See notes Figure A-1b

### Relative Density or Consistency Utilizing Standard Penetration Test Values

Cohesionless Soils (a)			Cohesive Soils (b)			
Density (c)	N <sub>1</sub> , blows/ft. (c)	Relative Density (%)	Consistency	N <sub>1</sub> , blows/ft. (c)	Undrained (d) Shear Strength	Torvane tsf
Very loose	0 to 4	0 - 15	Very soft	0 to 2	<250	<0.1
Loose	4 to 10	15 - 35	soft	2 to 4	250 - 500	0.1 - 0.3
Compact	10 to 30	35 - 65	firm	4 to 8	500 - 1000	0.3 - 0.5
Dense	30 to 50	65 - 85	stiff	8 to 15	1000 - 2000	0.5 - 1.0
Very Dense	over 50	>85	Very Stiff Hard	15 to 30 over 30	2000 - 4000 >4000	1.0 - 2.0 >2.0

(a) Soils consisting of gravel, sand, and silt, either separately or in combination possessing no characteristics of plasticity, and exhibiting drained behavior.

(b) Soils possessing the characteristics of plasticity, and exhibiting undrained behavior.

(c) Refer to text of ASTM D 1586-84 for a definition of N<sub>1</sub>; in normally consolidated cohesionless soils Relative Density terms are based on N values corrected for overburden pressures (N<sub>1</sub>). N values may be affected by a number of factors including material size, depth, drilling method, and bore-hole disturbance. N values are only an approximate guide to the consistency of cohesive soils.

(d) Undrained shear strength = 1/2 unconfined compression strength.

#### Samples

<b>SS</b>	SPT Sampler ( 2 in. O.D.)
<b>SSO</b>	Oversize SPT (2.5 in. O.D.)
<b>HD</b>	Heavy Duty Spoon (3.0 in. O.D.)
<b>SH</b>	Shelby Tube
<b>P</b>	Pitcher Sampler
<b>B</b>	Bulk
<b>C</b>	Cored
<b>RC</b>	Air Rotary Cuttings
<b>AC</b>	Auger Core
<b>CUT</b>	Auger Cuttings

1. SS drive samples advanced with 140 lb. hammer with a 30 in. drop.
2. HD drive samples are advanced with 300 lb. hammer with a 30 in. drop.
3. SSO drive samples advanced with 140 lb. manner with a 30 in. drop.

#### Descriptive Terminology Denoting Component Proportions

Descriptive Terms	Range of Proportion
Trace	0 - 5%
Few	5 - 10%
Little	15 - 20%
Some	30 - 45%

#### Laboratory Tests

Test	Designation
Moisture	(1)
Density	D
Grain Size	G
Hydrometer	H
Atterberg Limits	(1)
Consolidation	C
Unconfined	U
UU Triax	UU
CU Triax	CU
CD Triax	CD
Permeability	P

(1) Moisture and Atterberg Limits plotted on boring log.

#### Criteria for Describing Moisture Condition

Dry	Absence of moisture, dusty, dry to the touch
Moist	Damp but no visible water
Wet	Visible free water, usually soil is below water table

#### Silt and Clay Descriptions

Description	Typical Unified Designation
Silt	ML (non-plastic)
Clayey Silt	CL-ML (low-plasticity)
Silty Clay	CL
Clay	CH
Plastic Silt	MH
Organic Soils	OL, OH, PT

#### Component Definitions by Gradation

Component	Size Range
Boulders	Above 12 in.
Cobbles	3 in. to 12 in.
Gravel	3 in. to No. 4 (4.76mm)
Coarse gravel	3 in. to 3/4 in.
Fine gravel	3/4 in. to No. 4 (4.76mm)
Sand	No. 4 (4.76mm) to No. 200 (0.074mm)
Coarse sand	No. 4 (4.76mm) to No. 10 (2.0mm)
Medium sand	No. 10 (2.0mm) to No. 40 (0.42mm)
Fine sand	No. 40 (0.42mm) to No. 200 (0.074mm)
Silt and Clay	Smaller than No. 200 (0.074mm)

CRITERIA FOR ASSIGNING GROUP SYMBOLS AND GROUP NAMES USING LABORATORY TESTS				SOIL CLASSIFICATION	
				Group Symbol	Group Name
COARSE-GRAINED SOILS More than 50% retained on No. 200 sieve	Gravels More than 50% of coarse fraction retained on No. 4 sieve	Clean Gravels Less than 5% fines <sup>C</sup>	$Cu \geq 4$ and $1 \leq Cc \leq 3$ <sup>E</sup>	GW	Well-graded gravel <sup>F</sup>
			$Cu < 4$ and/or $1 > Cc > 3$ <sup>E</sup>	GP	Poorly graded gravel <sup>F</sup>
		Gravels with Fines <sup>C</sup> More than 12% fines	Fines classify as ML or MH	GM	Silty gravel <sup>F, G, H</sup>
			Fines classify as Cl or Ch	GC	Clayey gravel <sup>F, G, H</sup>
	Sands 50% or more of coarse fraction passes No. 4 sieve	Clean Sands Less than 5% fines <sup>D</sup>	$Cu \geq 6$ and $1 \leq Cc \leq 3$ <sup>E</sup>	SW	Well-graded sand <sup>I</sup>
			$Cu < 6$ and/or $1 > Cc > 3$ <sup>E</sup>	SP	Poorly graded sand <sup>I</sup>
		Sands with Fines <sup>D</sup> More than 12% fines	Fines classify as ML or Mh	SM	Silty sand <sup>G, H, I</sup>
			Fines classify as Cl or Ch	SC	Clayey sand <sup>G, H, I</sup>
FINE-GRAINED SOILS 50% or more passes the No. 200 sieve	Silt and Clays Liquid limit less than 50	Inorganic	$PI > 7$ and plots on or above "A" line <sup>J</sup>	CL	Lean clay <sup>K, L, M</sup>
			$PI < 4$ or plots below "A" line <sup>J</sup>	ML	Silt <sup>K, L, M</sup>
		Organic	Liquid limit - oven dried Liquid limit - not dried $< 0.75$	OL	Organic clay <sup>K, L, M, N</sup> Organic silt <sup>K, L, M, O</sup>
			Silt and Clays Liquid limit 50 or more	Inorganic	PI plots on or above "A" line
	PI plots below "A" line	MH			Elastic silt <sup>K, L, M</sup>
	Organic	Liquid limit - oven dried Liquid limit - not dried $< 0.75$		OH	Organic clay <sup>K, L, M, P</sup> Organic silt <sup>K, L, M, Q</sup>
		HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS			Primarily organic matter, dark in color, and organic odor
					Peat

A Based on the material passing the 3-in. (75-mm) sieve.

B If field sample contained cobbles or boulders, or both, add "with cobbles or boulders, or both" to group name.

C Gravels with 5 to 12% fines require dual symbols:  
GW-GM well-graded gravel with silt  
GW-GC well-graded gravel with clay  
GP-GM poorly graded gravel with silt  
GP-GC poorly graded gravel with clay

D Sands with 5 to 12% fines require dual symbols:  
SW-SM well-graded sand with silt  
SW-SC well-graded sand with clay  
SP-SM poorly graded sand with silt  
SP-SC poorly graded sand with clay

$$E \quad Cu = D_{60}/D_{10} \quad Cc = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} \times D_{60}}$$

F If soil contains  $\geq 15\%$  sand, add "with sand" to group name.

G If fines classify as CL-ML, use dual symbol GC-GM, or SC-SM.

H If fines are organic add "with organic fines" to group name.

I If soil contains  $\geq 15\%$  gravel, add "with gravel" to group name.

J If Atterberg limits plot in hatched area, soil is a CL-ML, silty clay.

K If soil contains  $\geq 15$  to 29% plus No. 200, add "with sand" or "with gravel", whichever is predominant.

L If soil contains  $\geq 30\%$  plus No. 200, predominantly sand, add "sandy" to group name.

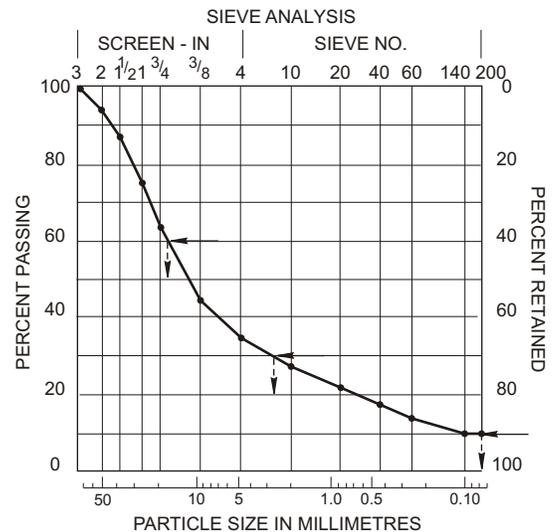
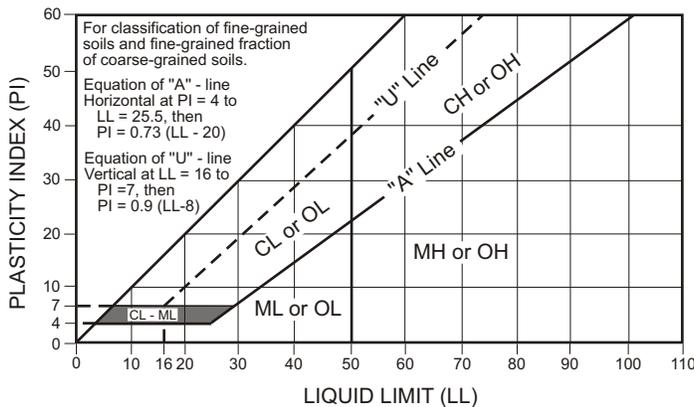
M If soil contains  $\geq 30\%$  plus No. 200, predominantly gravel, add "gravelly" to group name.

N  $PI \geq 4$  and plots on or above "A" line.

O  $PI < 4$  or plots below "A" line.

P PI plots on or above "A" line.

Q PI plots below "A" line.



$$Cu = \frac{D_{60}}{D_{10}} = \frac{15}{0.075} = 200 \quad Cc = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} \times D_{60}} = \frac{(2.5)^2}{0.075 \times 15} = 5.6$$

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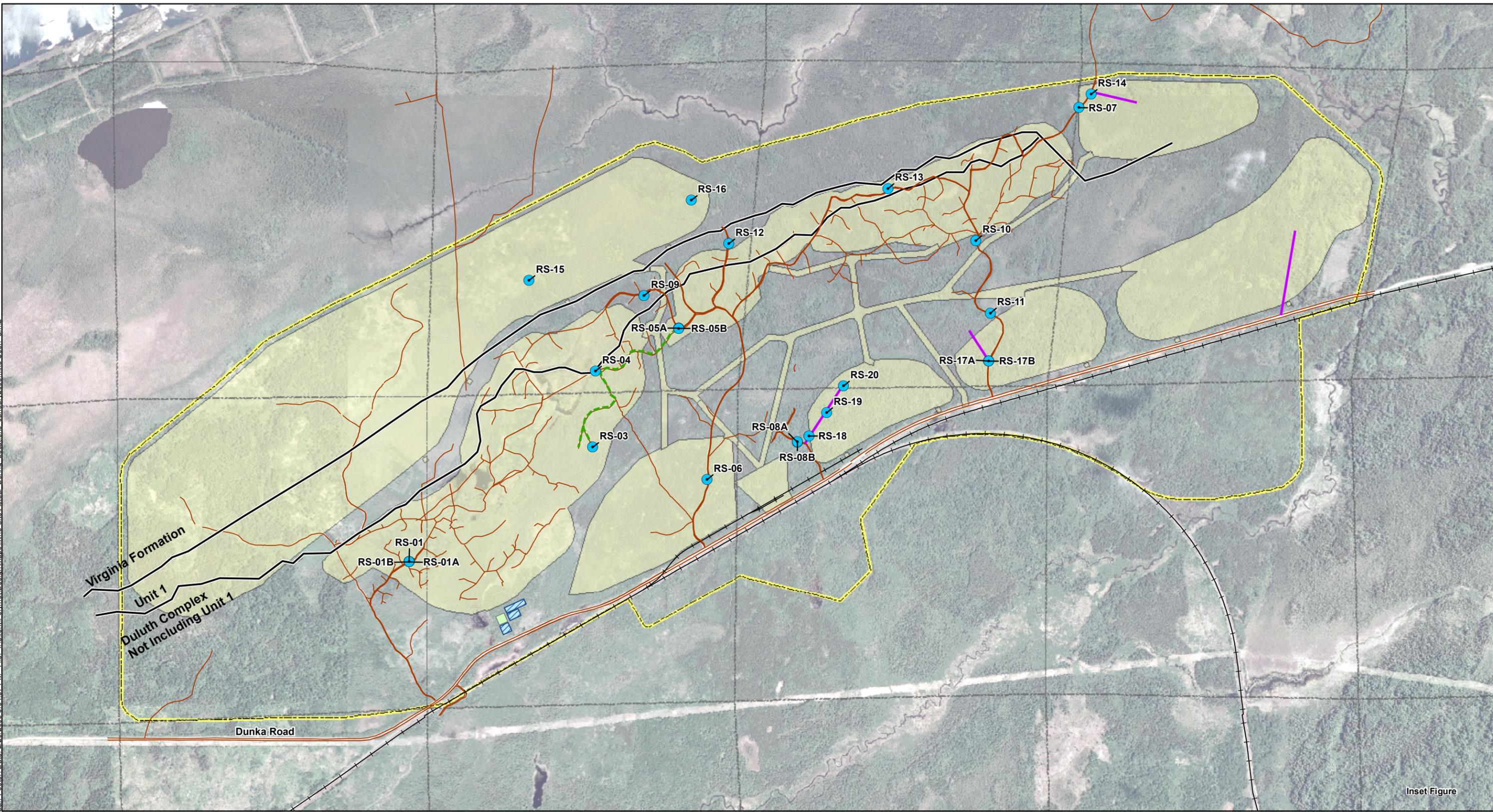


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**ASTM CLASSIFICATION INDEX**

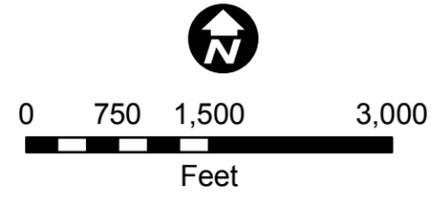
**Attachment D**

**Rotasonic Drilling Investigation – Boring Logs and Classification Testing**

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- Actual Boring Locations-January 2008
- Existing Roads
- - - Tracked Vehicle Only
- Proposed Access Roads for Stockpile Geotechnical Investigation
- All Trails
- ▭ Project Boundary
- ▭ Mine Site Footprint-Year 20
- ▭ Sections
- ▭ Wastewater Treatment Facility
- ▭ Equilization Ponds



Mine Site footprint shown has been superceded and is not current

**BORING LOCATIONS  
JANUARY 2008**  
NorthMet Project  
PolyMet Mining Inc.  
Hoyt Lakes, MN

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation

Drill Contractor Boart Longyear

Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization

Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV

Drilling Started 1/15/08 Ended 1/15/08

Elevation 1613.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By MMB/REE

Total Depth 20.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA-FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
	100%		7.05 248.1 24		Frozen	10YR 2/1 Black	PT		Peat	Fibrous Peat; 90-100% organic matter, mostly woody material. Up to 10% mineral soil.	
2	100%	None	5.89 256.9 10	24/47/29 (Lab)	Dry to Moist	10YR 4/4 Dark Yellowish Brown	SM			Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, very fine- to fine-grained, angular to subrounded, fine to coarse gravel. Sand fraction is 80% quartz, 15% lithics, and 5% feldspars. Cobbles are 80% granitic rock, 15% black fine-grained metasediment (Virginia Formation?), and 5% other (foliated gneiss).	1612
4											
6	100%	None	6.55 268.1 10	15/75/10 (Visual)	Moist	10YR 3/2 Very Dark Grayish Brown	SP-SM		Upper Till	Sand with silt and gravel, homogeneous, medium dense, fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to subrounded. Cobbles are 70% granitoids, 20% black fine-grained metasediment, and trace schist. Rust-colored coatings along fractures and cobble interfaces, dark red brown (7.5YR 3/4). Less than 2% dendritic or irregular mottles, fine to medium size - dark reddish brown (5YR 3/4).	1608
8	100%		5.97 258.0 17							9-10': 10% dark red (2.5YR 3/6) mottles associated with tiny fractures within matrix.	1604

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Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

**LOG OF Boring RS-01B**  
**DRAFT** SHEET 2 OF 3

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor Boart Longyear  
 Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/15/08 Ended 1/15/08 Elevation 1613.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB/REE Total Depth 20.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	80%	None		15/65/20 (Visual)	Very Moist					Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, medium dense, fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to subrounded. Cobbles are 70% granitoids, 20% black fine-grained metasediment, and trace schist. Rust-colored coatings along fractures and cobble interfaces, dark red brown (7.5YR 3/4). Less than 2% dendritic or irregular mottles, fine to medium size - dark reddish brown (5YR 3/4).	1602
14			6.37 223.7 16		Wet	2.5Y 4/3 Olive Brown					1600
16				25/60/15 (Visual)			SM	Upper Till		Abundant dark red (2.5YR 3/6) staining on coarse clasts. Brownish yellow (10YR 6/6) weathering or precipitate along fractures of black, fine-grained metasediment clasts.	1598
18	80%	None	7.28 65.6 34								1596
											1594
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**LOG OF Boring RS-01B**

**DRAFT**

SHEET 3 OF 3

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation

Drill Contractor Boart Longyear

Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization

Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV

Drilling Started 1/15/08 Ended 1/15/08

Elevation 1613.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By MMB/REE

Total Depth 20.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
22	100%		8.79 -40.0 66	10/50/40 (Visual)	Moist	Gley1 3/10Y Very Dark Greenish Gray	SM		Lower Till	Silty sand, homogeneous, dense, very fine- to fine-grained sand. Gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to subrounded. Cobbles are black, fine-grained metasediment and granitoid. Olive brown (2.5Y 4/3) color at bottom of borehole, irregular contact with above. Bedrock at 20.5'. End of Boring - 20.5 feet	1592
24											1590
26											1588
28											1586
											1584

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Client PolyMet Mining Corporation

Drill Contractor Boart Longyear

Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization

Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV

Drilling Started 1/16/08 Ended 1/16/08

Elevation 1595.5

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By REE/JAM2

Total Depth 22.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0					Very Moist	2.5YR 2.5/1 Reddish Black				Fibrous peat; wood and other organic material. Note: Low recovery	1594
2	40%										1592
4											
5					Wet	10YR 2/1 Black	PT		Peat	Fibrous and amorphous peat, composed of primarily muddy material with trace leaf and woody organic material.	1590
6			5.17 65 116								
8	60%										1588
											1586

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Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization

Drill Method Rotasonic

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Drilling Started 1/16/08 Ended 1/16/08

Elevation 1595.5

Location NorthMet Mine Site

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Total Depth 22.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	60%		5.46 3 36	12/33/55 (Lab)	Wet	Gley1 5/10Y Greenish Gray	ML			Sandy silt with a little gravel, loose, homogeneous, up to 5% organic matter from 10-12'. Sand is fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine-grained, subangular to subrounded. Cobbles are black, fine-grained metasediment and troctolite.	1584
14					Wet					12-15': No organic matter, increased gravel and sand, cobbles as above.	1582
16			7.4 -208.7 50	15/45/40 (Visual)				Upper Till		Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, loose, fine-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Cobbles are as above, also some magnetic cherty iron formation, and one pyrite-bearing rock (possibly greenstone).	1580
18	80%		9.08 -27 37	15/40/35 (Visual)	Wet		SM				1578
											1576

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Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization

Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV

Drilling Started 1/16/08 Ended 1/16/08

Elevation 1595.5

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By REE/JAM2

Total Depth 22.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
22	100%		9.42 -200 63	40/10/50 (Visual)	Moist	Gley1 2.5/10Y Greenish Black	ML		Lower Till	Gravelly silt, homogenous, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Cobbles are magnetic cherty iron formation, granitoid.	1574
										Bedrock at 22.0', troctolite. End of Boring - 22 feet	1572
											1570
											1568
											1566

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Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/16/08 Ended 1/18/08

Elevation 1600.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By REE/JAM2

Total Depth 26.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
	100%	None	5.71 124.3 22	95% organics	Wet	10YR 2/2 Very Dark Brown	PT		Peat	Fibrous peat, composed primarily of woody material with some fine-grained organic material.	1600.0
2	100%	None	5.71 124.3 22	30/30/40 (Visual)	Wet	2.5Y 3/3 Dark Olive Brown	SM		Soil	Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, up to 10% organic material, sand is fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is subangular to subrounded. Matrix has dark reddish brown (2.5YR 3/4) mottles.	1598
4											1596
6											1594
8	100%	None	5.91 82 19	30/50/20 (Visual)	Wet	10YR 4/3 Brown	SM		Upper Till	Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained. Gravel is fine- to coarse-grained. Cobbles are fine-grained black metasediment, magnetic cherty iron formation, and granitoid.	1592
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Elevation 1600.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

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Total Depth 26.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	100%	None	6.33 104.5 25	19/60/21 (Lab)	Wet	Transitional Mottling	SM			Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, same as the 5-10' interval.	1588
14								Upper Till		13-15': Gradational change in color and texture to 15-20' interval.	1586
16		None	6.74 -90 25							Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained. Gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Cobbles as above.	1584
18	100%	None	6.85 -81.6 25	18/59/23 (Lab)	Wet	10YR 3/1 Very Dark Gray	SM				1582
								Lower Till		19-20': Matrix contains possible sulfide flakes or secondary mineralization.  20': Several troctolite cobbles with sulfide minerals.	

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Elevation 1600.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

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Total Depth 26.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
22	60%	None	7.83 -87.6 17	30/50/20 (Visual)	Wet	10YR 3/1 Very Dark Gray	SM		Lower Till	Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained. Gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Matrix has possible secondary sulfide mineralization. Cobbles are sulfide-bearing troctolite, fine-grained black metasediment, magnetic cherty iron formation, and granitoid.	1578
24		None	8.10 173.0 94	70/20/10 (Visual)	Dry	Gley1 2.5/N Black to Gley1 6/1 Greenish Gray	GP-GM			Gravel with silt and sand, fine- to coarse-grained. Cobbles are as above.	1576
26	100%								Bedrock	Bedrock at 25'. Sulfide-bearing troctolite.	1574
										End of Boring - 26 feet	1574
28											1572

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# LOG OF Boring RS-05A

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Client PolyMet Mining Corporation      Drill Contractor Boart Longyear

Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization      Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV      Drilling Started 1/18/08      Ended 1/18/08

Elevation 1605.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site      Logged By REE

Total Depth 13.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH- ORP- Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/ FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
2	20%	None	6.42 124.5 30		Moist	7.5YR 3/3 Dark Brown	SM	[Dotted Pattern]		Low recovery on RS-05A for 0-5'. See R5-05B log for description.	1604
4											1602
6		None	6.55 88.7 22	20/60/20 (Visual)	Moist	10YR 3/4 Dark Yellow Brown	SM	[Dotted Pattern]	Upper Till	Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained. Gravel is fine- to medium- grained, subangular to subrounded. Up to 1% organic matter. Cobbles are 60% granitoid, 30% black fine-grained metasediment, 5% cherty iron formation, and trace greenstone. Rust-colored staining on some clast surfaces.	1600
8	100%			40/40/20 (Visual)	Moist	2.5Y 4/2 Dark Gray Brown	SM	[Dotted Pattern]		Silty sand with gravel, transitional color change with above. Cobbles are same lithologies as above.  Note: Geotechnical laboratory homogenized 6-11.5' interval. Grain size analysis indicates 28% gravel, 46% sand, and 26% silt.	1598
10		None	6.49 166.6 19							(continued)	1596

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 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By REE Total Depth 13.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	100%	None	8.9 -70 88	64/23/13 (Lab)	Wet	2.5Y 4/2 Dark Gray Brown	GM		Upper Till	Silty gravel with sand, fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Cobbles are 60% troctolite, 30% granitoid, 5% magnetic cherty iron formation with rust-colored staining, and 5% black fine-grained metasediment with rust-colored staining.	1594
				70/20/10 (Visual)		2.5Y 5/1 Gray	GM			As above, increased clay content, gray.	
				61/24/15 (Lab)							
13									Bedrock at 13.0', troctolite. End of Boring - 13 feet	1592	
14											
15											
16											
17											
18											
											1586

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 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/18/08 Ended 1/18/08 Elevation 1605.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By REE Total Depth 5.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA-FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0	100%			30/50/20 (Visual)		10YR 4/4 Dark Yellowish Brown				Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained. Gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to subrounded. Cobbles are 50% granitoid, 30% fine-grained, black metasediment, 20% magnetic cherty iron formation, and trace greenstone or silica rocks (possible Archean).	1604
2		None	6.13 179.0 21	30/50/20 (Visual)	Moist		SM		Upper Till		1602
4		None	6.54 187.0 26			10YR 4/2 Dark Grayish Brown				3.5-4': Lens of dark grayish brown silty sand with gravel.	
		None	6.25 193.0 25			SA 1-3.5'					1600
										End of Boring - 5 feet	1600
6											1598
8											1596

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## DRAFT

SHEET 1 OF 3

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Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization      Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV      Drilling Started 1/26/08      Ended 1/26/08

Location NorthMet Mine Site      Logged By MMB/MJD/REE

Elevation 1611.0

Total Depth 21.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH- ORP- Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/ FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
	100%	None	4.45 290.3 6	10/50/40 (Visual)	Moist	10YR 4/4 Dark Yellowish Brown	SM	Soil		Silty sand, up to 20% organic matter, homogeneous, sand is fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse- grained, subrounded to subangular. Matrix is magnetic. Sand fraction is 70% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 20% white fragments. Cobbles are 75% black fine-grained metasediment, 20% magnetic iron formation, and 5% granitoid.	1610
2		None	4.84 313.0 5	5/65/30 (Visual)		7.5YR 3/2 Dark Brown	SM			Silty sand, up to 30-40% organic matter, homogeneous, sand is fine- to coarse-grained. Matrix has dark-brown to black organic masses and lenses. Sand fraction is 40% quartz, 50% feldspar, and 10% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 90% granitoid, 5% fine-grained black metasediment, and 5% magnetic iron formation.	
4		None	4.99 279 11	20/65/15 (Visual)	Dry	7.5YR 3/4 Dark Brown	SM			Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, sand is fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse grained. Matrix has less than 5% mottles, black (5YR 2.5/1) and yellowish red (5YR 4/6), and is magnetic. Sand fraction is 50% quartz, 40% feldspar, and 10% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 70% granitoid, 30% gabbroic (or possibly recrystallized metasediment) - abundant, rust staining. Large granitoid boulder from 3.5-4.5'.	1608
6		None	5.03 316 8				ML/ CL-ML	Upper Till		Sandy silt with gravel, firm, laminated, sand is fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to medium-grained. Matrix is magnetic and has abundant mottles (30-40%), dark yellowish gray (10YR 4/6) and grayish brown (2.5YR 5/2). Sand fraction is 70% quartz, 20% feldspar, and 10% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 80% magnetic chert iron formation, 10% granitoid, and 10% fine-grained black metasediment.	1606
8	100%		5.82 264 12	17/26/57 (Lab)		10YR 4/3 Brown	SM			Silty sand with gravel, dense, homogeneous, sand is fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained. Matrix is slightly magnetic, has less than 5% disseminated mottles, very dark gray (10YR 3/1), dark brown (7.5YR 3/4), dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/6), and black mottles associated with rootlets. Increased mottles at 10-12'. Matrix has a faint rotten egg odor below 15', increasing odor with depth. Sand fraction lithology transition from 70% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments to 15% quartz, 65% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments at 10'. Cobbles are 70% iron formation rocks (magnetic and non-magnetic), 25% granitoid, 5% other (troctolite, gabbroic).	1604
			6.32 251 17	24/48/28 (Lab)						(continued)	1602

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 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/26/08 Ended 1/26/08 Elevation 1611.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB/MJD/REE Total Depth 21.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA-FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	100%	None	6.81 235 17	21/49/30 (Lab)	Moist					Silty sand with gravel, dense, homogeneous, sand is fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained. Matrix is slightly magnetic, has less than 5% disseminated mottles, very dark gray (10YR 3/1), dark brown (7.5YR 3/4), dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/6), and black mottles associated with rootlets. Increased mottles at 10-12'. Matrix has a faint rotten egg odor below 15', increasing odor with depth. Sand fraction lithology transition from 70% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments to 15% quartz, 65% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments at 10'. Cobbles are 70% iron formation rocks (magnetic and non-magnetic), 25% granitoid, 5% other (troctolite, gabbroic). <i>(continued)</i>	1600
14											1598
15.5					Moist to Wet	10YR 4/3 Brown	SM		Upper Till		1596
16											
18	100%		6.75 38 18								1594
18.5											
19	100%		7.86 18.0 20		Wet						1592

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 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB/MJD/REE Total Depth 21.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH- ORP- Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/ FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
	100%						SM		Upper Till		
22										End of Boring - 21 feet	1590
24											1588
26											1586
28											1584
											1582

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 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/29/08 Ended 1/29/08 Elevation 1611.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB Total Depth 21.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0							SM			See RS-06A, 0-1' for description.	
1							SM	Soil		See RS-06A, 1-2' for description.	1610
2							SM			See RS-06A, 2-4.75' for description.	
3	100%						SM				1608
4							CL			See RS-06A, 4.75-7.5' for description.	1606
5								Upper Till		See RS-06A, 7.5-21.0' for description.	
6											1604
7	100%						SM				1602

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 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB Total Depth 21.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH- ORP- Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/ FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	100%									See RS-06A, 7.5-21.0' for description. (continued)	1600
14											1598
15.5							SM		Upper Till		1596
16											1594
18	100%										1592

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 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/29/08 Ended 1/29/08 Elevation 1611.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB Total Depth 21.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
	100%						SM	Upper Till		See RS-06A, 7.5-21.0' for description. (continued)	
								Bedrock		Bedrock at 21.0'. Troctolite piece, 4" thick.	1590
22										End of Boring - 21.5 feet	
											1588
24											1586
26											1584
28											1582

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Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor Boart Longyear

Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/24/08 Ended 1/24/08

Elevation 1608.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB/MJD/REE

Total Depth 11.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0	100%	None	5.61 97.8 45	25/42/33 (Lab)	Frozen	10YR 2/2 Very Dark Brown	PT		Peat	Fibrous peat; grass, roots, twigs.	
2	100%	None	6.10 27.0 52	40/42/18 (Lab)	Wet	10YR 2/2 Very Dark Brown	OL/OH		Soil	95% organic material (roots, grass, branches). Mineral component is silty sand with gravel. Less than 5% dark brown (10YR 3/3) mottles from 1.5-2'.	1606
4	100%	None	6.40 60.0 17	30/60/10 (Visual)	Moist	2.5Y 3/3 Dark Olive Brown	SM			Gravelly silty sand, 5% organic material, sand is fine- to medium-grained. Less than 5% mottles and layers, dark brown (7.5YR 3/3).	1604
6	100%	None	47/39/14 (Lab)	38/44/18 (Lab)	Moist	7.5YR 3/3 Dark Brown	SM			Gravelly silty sand, homogeneous, trace organic matter, sand is fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subrounded to subangular. Matrix is mottled: irregular, very dark brown (7.5YR 2/2) and minor strong brown (7.5YR 5/8) mottles. Sand fraction is 10% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 80% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 90% fine-grained black metasediment, 5% black cherty iron formation, and 5% granitoid.	1602
8	100%	None	6.61 38.0 24	47/39/14 (Lab)	Moist	5Y 2.5/1 Black	GM		Upper Till	Sand with silty gravel, homogeneous, sand is fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subrounded to subangular. Sandier and slightly drier toward 10'. Sand fraction and cobble lithologies are same as 3-6' interval.	1600
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**LOG OF Boring RS-07**

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SHEET 2 OF 2

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Drill Method Rotasonic

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Drilling Started 1/24/08 Ended 1/24/08

Elevation 1608.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By MMB/MJD/REE

Total Depth 11.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
	100%	None	7.15 -23.0 19	59/30/11 (Lab)	Wet	Gley1 2.5/10Y Greenish Black	GP-GM		Lower Till	Sandy gravel with silt, homogeneous, sand is fine-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to subrounded. Matrix has a rotten egg odor after HCL, and a very dark brown (10YR 2/2) layer from 10-10.25'. Sand fraction is 50% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 40% lithic fragments.	
12										Bedrock at 11.0'. End of Boring - 11 feet	1596
14											1594
16											1592
18											1590

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 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB Total Depth 14.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0							PT	Peat		See RS-07 for description.	1608.0
2	100%						OL/OH	Soil			1606
4							SM				1604
6							SM				1602
8	100%						GM	Upper Till			1600
								Lower Till		(continued)	

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 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB Total Depth 14.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	100%		6.63 -125 51					Lower Till		Possible fractured bedrock at 9.5' or boulders on bedrock. Soil in fractures. Sample is 0.5-4" thick core pieces of biotite argillite of Virginia formation. Rinse test at 14' has silver metallic sheen (floating graphite from graphite-bearing Virginia formation rocks?). (continued)	1596
14			7.48 -152 82				Bed-rock				1594
16										End of Boring - 14.5 feet	1592
18											1590

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# LOG OF Boring RS-08A

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SHEET 1 OF 2

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor Boart Longyear

Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/26/08 Ended 1/26/08

Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB/MJD

Elevation 1591.0

Total Depth 11.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH- ORP- Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/ FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
1	100%	None	4.35 347.5 196	15/55/30 (Visual)	Moist	7.5YR 3/4 Dark Brown	SM	Soil	Soil	Silty sand with gravel, with up to 20% organic material, homogeneous, dense, sand is fine-grained, gravel is fine-grained, subangular to subrounded. Matrix has 2-5% dark reddish brown (2.5YR 3/4) mottles associated with disseminated rootlets and pebbles. Also less than 1% gray (5YR 5/1) mottles and layer at 1'. Sand fraction is 65% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 15% lithic fragments. Cobbles are fine-grained black metasediment, black chert/iron formation, less than 5% green-black crystalline rock with quartz veins (possibly Archean).	1590
2	100%	None	5.18 287.6 19	20/60/20 (Visual)	Wet to Moist	10YR 4/6 Dark Yellowish Brown to 2.5Y 3/3 Dark Olive Brown	SM	Soil	Soil	Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, loose, sand is fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subrounded to subangular. Occasional lenses with up to 40% clay (low plasticity). Matrix is magnetic, has mottles as above, also 30% strong brown (7.5YR 5/8) irregular to wavy mottles from 3-4'. Sand fraction is 70% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments. Cobbles are fine-grained black metasediment, fine-grained magnetic and non-magnetic cherty iron formation with rust coatings.	1588
4	100%	None	5.63 262.4 16								
6	100%	None	5.78 217.4 22	30/43/27 (Lab)	Moist	10YR 4/2 Dark Grayish Brown	SM	Upper Till	Upper Till	Gravelly silty sand, homogeneous, dense, sand is fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to subangular. Matrix has a faint rotten egg odor after HCL, 1-2% yellowish red (5YR 4/6) mottles. Sand fraction is 75% quartz, 5% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 40% magnetic black iron formation, 30% fine-grained black metasediment, 25% non-magnetic black iron formation, and 5% granitoid.	1586
8	100%	None									1584
11	100%	None									1582

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 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/26/08 Ended 1/26/08 Elevation 1591.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB/MJD Total Depth 11.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
	100%		6.77 68.3 34				SM		Upper Till		
12										Bedrock at 11'. Troctolite, no visible sulfides. End of Boring - 11 feet	1580
											1578
14											1576
16											1574
18											1572

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Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/23/08 Ended 1/23/08

Elevation 1610.5

Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By REE/MJD

Total Depth 8.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA-FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0	100%	None		5/15/80 (Visual)	Frozen	7.5YR 2.5/3 Very Dark Brown	OL/OH		Soil	Silt with sand, homogeneous, sand is fine-grained. Organic content decreases from 75% to 50%. Some grayish mottles and black (7.5YR 2.5/1) lenses, matrix is magnetic. Sand fraction is 50% quartz, 30% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 80% fine-grained black metasediment and 20% granitoid. Abundant rust-colored staining on clasts.	1610
2	100%	None	5.96 175.0 15	32/50/18 (Lab)	Dry to Moist	10YR 4/4 Dark Yellowish Brown to 2.5Y 4/4 Olive Brown	SM		Upper Till	Gravelly silty sand, homogeneous, sand is fine-grained, subangular to subrounded, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Color change is gradational. Matrix is magnetic. Sand fraction is 50% quartz, 25% feldspars, and 25% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 60% fine-grained black metasediment, 20% magnetic black siltstone, 5-10% medium-grained bedded/foliated metasediment, 10% granitoid, and 5% biotite argillite. One cobble has orange precipitate or oxidation along microfractures. Increased granitoid cobbles from 5 to 7'. Occasional rust colored staining on clasts.	1608
4	100%	None	6.22 116.7 13								1606
6	100%	None	5.88 182.0 2	15/20/65 (Visual)	Wet	2.5Y 3/1 Very Dark Gray	CL		Lower Till	Sandy lean clay with gravel, homogeneous, soft, sand is fine-grained, gravel is fine-grained. Matrix is magnetic, has faint rotten egg odor after HCL. Sand fraction is 70% quartz, 10% feldspars, and 20% lithic material. Cobbles are 75% granitoid, 20% fine-grained black metasediment with rust-colored staining on some surfaces, and 5% banded red and black iron formation.	1604
8	100%									Bedrock at 8'. Troctolite, no visible sulfides. End of Boring - 8 feet	1602

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Drill Contractor Boart Longyear

Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization

Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV

Drilling Started 1/25/08 Ended 1/25/08

Elevation 1602.5

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By MMB/MJD/REE

Total Depth 16.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0	100%	None			Frozen	7.5YR 2.5/2 Very Dark Brown	OL/OH		Soil	Organic soil with sand. 80% organic matter (grass, roots, branches). Mineral fraction is silty sand, laminated lenses [dark yellowish brown (10YR 3/6) and black (10YR 2/1)].	1602
2	100%	None		35/55/10 (Visual)	Moist	10YR 2/2 very Dark Grayish Brown	SP-SM			Sand with silt and gravel, homogeneous, fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subrounded to subangular. Sand fraction is 40% quartz, 40% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 70% granitoid, and 30% fine-grained black metasediment with rust-colored staining.	
4	100%	None	6.07 193.0 30	25/60/15 (Visual)	Moist	10YR 3/6 Dark Yellowish Brown	SM			Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to subangular. Matrix has mottles associated with break-down of pebbles [bluish black (gley2 2.5/5PB)]. Sand fraction is 20% quartz, 60% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 30% granitoid and 70% black fine-grained metasediment.	1600
4	100%	None	5.73 241.6 12	40/41/19 (Lab)	Moist	7.5YR 3/3 Dark Brown	GM/SM			Sandy, silty gravel, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained, trace angular to subangular pebbles and cobbles. Sand fraction is 40% quartz, 30% feldspar, and 30% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 95% fine-grained metasediment with possible trace pyrite or pyrrhotite, and 5% granitoid.	1598
6	100%	None	7.08 60.2 20	20/75/5 (Visual)	Dry to Moist	10YR 4/3 Brown	SP	Upper Till		Sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained, with 20% fine- to medium-grained gravel, angular to subangular. Matrix is mottled with irregular yellowish red (5YR 4/6) and white (5YR 8/1) mottles. White mottles have no HCL reaction, but appear to be weakly cemented. Sand fraction is 85% quartz, 5% feldspar, and 10% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 95% black fine-grained metasediment and 5% magnetic cherty iron formation.	1596
8	100%	None	6.81 152.3 30	40/40/20 (Visual)	Dry	5Y 3/1 Very Dark Gray	SM			Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to subangular. Matrix has a faint odor after HCL. Sand fraction is 10% quartz, 20% feldspar, and 70% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 80% black fine-grained metasediment, 10% magnetic cherty iron formation, and 10% granitoid. Supernatant from 8.0' rinse test has metallic sheen/possible graphite from graphite-bearing Virginia formation rocks.	1594

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Drilling Started 1/25/08 Ended 1/25/08

Elevation 1602.5

Location NorthMet Mine Site

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Total Depth 16.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	75%	None	6.50 145.3 26	40/45/5 (Visual)	Moist	5Y 4/3 Olive	SP		Upper Till	Sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to subangular. Matrix has a few white lenses (precipitate?), no HCL reaction, no odor. Sand fraction is 10% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 80% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 65% black fine-grained metasediment, 20% augite troctolite with weathered brown minerals, 10% magnetic, black cherty iron formation with rust-colored staining, and 5% granitoid.	1592
14	100%								Bed-rock	Bedrock at 14.0'. Crushed troctolite pieces.	1588
16										End of Boring - 16 feet	1586
18											1584

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Number 23/69-B75 INV

Drilling Started 1/25/08 Ended 1/25/08

Elevation 1594.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By MMB/MJD

Total Depth 33.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0					Frozen					Fibrous peat (grass, roots, root material). Up to approximately 10% mineral soil below 5'.	1592
2	20%										1590
4											1588
5.89		None	5.89 107.1 40		Wet	5YR 2.5/1 Black	PT		Peat		1586
6											
8	18%										
		None	43/43/14 (Lab)		Wet	10YR 3/2 Very Dark Grayish Brown	SM	Upper Till		Gravelly silty sand. Less than 5% organic matter, sand is fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse grained. Sand fraction is 30% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 60% lithic fragments. Cobbles are <i>(continued)</i>	

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12	100%		6.31 -26.7 67	20/65/15 (Visual)		10YR 2/2 Black				90% fine-grained black metasediment, and 10% biotite argillite. Gradational change from silty sand with gravel to silty gravel with sand, sand is fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to medium-grained. Matrix has less than 5% organic material (black), and less than 5% reddish mottles (less than 1 mm in diameter) disseminated, and a faint rotten egg odor after HCL. Sand is 30% quartz, 5% feldspar, and 65% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 80-90% fine-grained black metasediment, 5-10% granitoid, and 5-10% biotite-containing anorthosite.	1582
14		None	6.47 -61.4 47	65/20/15 (Visual)	Wet	10YR 2/1 Black	SM to GM		Upper Till		1580
16			6.69 -44.1 12								1578
18	80%	None	6.56 -37.5 30	35/59/6 (Lab)	Moist to Wet	Gley1 2.5/N Black	SP-SM		Out- wash	Gravelly sand with silt, sorted, sand is medium- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subrounded to subangular. Matrix has a faint rotten egg odor after HCL. Sand fraction is 60% quartz, 5% feldspar, and 35% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 80-90% fine-grained black metasediment, 5-10% granitoid, and 5-10% chert (possible Archean rocks).	1576

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Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV

Drilling Started 1/25/08 Ended 1/25/08

Elevation 1594.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By MMB/MJD

Total Depth 33.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
22	20%	None	6.51 17.0 9		Moist to Wet	Gley1 2.5/N Black	SP-SM			20-25': Same as 17-20' interval. Note low recovery.	1572
24									Out-wash		1570
26				0/90/10 (Visual)		10YR 2/1 Black	SW-SM to SP			Gradational change downward: sand with silt to sand with gravel. Sand is fine- to medium-grained, subrounded to subangular. Up to 2% organic matter in lower part of sample. Matrix has a faint rotten egg odor after HCL. Sand fraction is 50% quartz, 5% feldspar, and 45% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 85% fine-grained black metasediment, 10% magnetic cherty iron formation, and 5% granitoid. Note: Geotechnical laboratory homogenized unit. Grain size analysis indicates 23% gravel, 67% sand, 10% silt.	1568
28	100%	None	6.33 31.3 25	30/65/5 (Visual)							1566
		None		34/47/19 (Lab)		Gley1 3/10Y Very Dark Greenish Gray	SM		Lower Till	Gravelly silty sand, homogeneous, sand is medium-grained, gravel is fine- to medium-grained. Matrix has a faint rotten egg odor after HCL. Sand fraction is 60% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 30% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 70% fine-grained black metasediment, 20% granitoid, and 10% other.	

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32	100%	None	6.50 -49.7 70	39/46/15 (Lab)	Wet	Gley1 3/10Y Very Dark Greenish Gray	SM			Gravelly silty sand, homogeneous, sand is medium-grained, gravel is fine- to medium-grained. Matrix has a faint rotten egg odor after HCL. Sand fraction is 60% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 30% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 70% fine-grained black metasediment, 20% granitoid, and 10% other. (continued)	1562
							SM	Lower Till		Gravelly silty sand, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained, gravel is fine- to medium-grained. Cobbles are 65% fine-grained black metasediment, 30% granitoid, and 5% gabbroic (no visible sulfides).	
34										Bedrock at 33.0'. End of Boring - 33 feet	1560
36											1558
38											1556

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Elevation 1610.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

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Total Depth 22.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA-FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0-2	100%	None		2/30/68 (Visual)	Frozen	7.5YR 2.5/2 Very Dark Brown to 7.5YR 2.5/3 Very Dark Brown	ML		Soil	Sandy silt, homogeneous, sand is fine-grained. Decreasing organic material from 0-2'. Approximately 2% medium-grained charcoal pieces in soil. Several clay coatings, very dark gray (7.5YR 3/1), approximately 2 mm thick at 1.2'. Sand fraction is 70% quartz, 20% feldspar, and 10% lithic fragments.	1608
2-4		Weak	6.77 114.8 8	2/95/3 (Visual)	Dry to Moist	10YR 5/4 Yellowish Brown	SP		Out-wash	Sand, sorted, fine-grained, angular to subround. Matrix has less than 5% carbonate-cemented nodules, weakly cemented, up to 2 cm in size. Several cobbles of black fine-grained metasediment, granitoid, and other lithologies.	1606
4-6		None	7.17 111.7 33	22/55/23 (Lab)	Moist	10YR 4/4 Dark Yellowish Brown	SM		Upper Till	Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subrounded to subangular. Matrix has less than 5% dark reddish brown (5YR 3/4) mottles, irregular, up to 1 cm in diameter at 7'. Sand fraction is 80% quartz, 5% feldspar, and 15% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 50% granitoid, 20% black, fine-grained metasediment, 20% magnetic cherty iron formation, 5% troctolite containing approximately 5% disseminated phyrrotite and chalcopyrite, and 5% quartzite.	1604
6-8	80%				Moist to Wet					8-8.5': Zone of weakly cemented carbonate layers and nodules. Occurs as masses or bridges between grains; pink (7.5YR 7/4).	1602

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Total Depth 22.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	80%		7.19 116.6 15	26/53/21 (Lab)	Wet	2.5Y 4/3 Olive Brown	SM			Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subrounded to subangular. Matrix has less than 5% dark reddish brown (5YR 3/4) mottles, irregular, up to 1 cm in diameter at 7'. Sand fraction is 80% quartz, 5% feldspar, and 15% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 50% granitoid, 20% black, fine-grained metasediment, 20% magnetic cherty iron formation, 5% troctolite containing approximately 5% disseminated pyrrhotite and chalcopyrite, and 5% quartzite. (continued)	1598
14		Weak							Upper Till		1596
16			7.14 44 14	20/70/10 (Visual)	Wet	2.5Y 4/3 Olive Brown	SM			Sand with silt and gravel, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained sand, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Tiny fractures in soil matrix have approximately 2 mm thick discoloration to dark gray (2.5Y 4/1). Sand fraction is 85% quartz, 5% feldspar, and 10% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 40% fine-grained black metasediment with common red-brown staining, 40% black cherty iron formation with yellow precipitate in some fractures and rust-colored staining on surfaces, and 20% granitoid.	1594
18	100%										1592
				0/100/0 (Visual)	Wet	10YR 4/3 Brown	SM		Out-wash	19-19.5': Silt, well-sorted, abrupt contacts above and below, dark grayish brown (10YR 3/2). Sand, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded.	

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22	100%	Weak		0/100/0 (Visual)	Wet	10YR 4/3 Brown	SM		Out-wash	Sand, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. (continued)	1588
		None	7.50 68.9 26	15/70/15 (Visual)	Wet	Gley1 3/N Very Dark Gray	SM		Lower Till	Silty sand with gravel, homogeneous, dense. Sand is fine-to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Matrix has rotten-egg odor after HCL which may be associated with yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) mottles that are 1-3 mm in diameter and disseminated throughout 1-2% the matrix. Matrix also contains 20% very dark grayish brown (2.5Y 3/2) mottles from 20.5 to 21'. Sand fraction is 50% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 40% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 40% troctolite containing trace sulfides and patches of iron staining, 30% granitoid, 15% black, fine-grained metasediment, and 5% black chert or siltstone with 2% pyrrhotite veins. Bedrock at 22'. Dark gray-black troctolite containing 2% disseminated sulfides up to 2 mm in diameter. Chalcopyrite and pyrrhotite. End of Boring - 22 feet	
24											1586
26											1584
28											1582

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Elevation 1606.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB/MJD

Total Depth 10.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA-FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0 - 2	100%	None	6.15 62.7 42	5/85/10 (Visual)	Frozen  Moist	7.5R 2.5/3 Very Dark Brown	SP-SM		Soil	Sand with silt, homogeneous, fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Organic matter decreases from 70% to 10% between 0-1.5'. Sand fraction is 70% quartz, 10% feldspar, and 20% lithic fragments. Several cobbles of fine-grained, black metasediment with rust-colored staining on surfaces.	1604
2 - 4	100%	None	6.07 106.6 27	5/65/30 (Visual)	Wet	7.5R 2.5/3 Very Dark Brown and 7.5R 3/1 Very Dark Gray	SM			Silty sand, variegated, homogeneous, dense, fine- to medium-grained, subangular to subrounded, trace organic material. Several very dark gray (7.5YR 3/1) lenses. Sand fraction is same as 0-1.5' interval, cobbles are fine-grained black metasediment with rust-colored surfaces. Possible perched water at 1.5'.	1602
4 - 6	100%	None	6.47 72.3 22	34/41/25 (Lab)	Moist	Gley1 4/5GY Dark Greenish Gray	SM		Lower Till	Gravelly silty sand, homogeneous, dense, fine- to medium-grained. Gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, angular to well-rounded. Matrix has dark gray brown, dark red brown, and black mottles, and has a weak rotten egg odor after HCL. Sand fraction is 80% quartz and 20% lithic fragments. Cobbles are 65% black chert/siltstone iron formation containing some rust staining and yellow precipitate, 20% granitoid, 10% black, fine-grained metasediment, and 5% pink quartzite.	1600
6 - 8	50%									Interval is too destroyed by drilling to classify.	1598
8 - 10									Bed-rock	Bedrock at 8': Dark gray-black troctolite containing 5% visible sulfides (30% pyrrhotite, 50% chalcopyrite, 20% pyrite).	
End of Boring - 10 feet											

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 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/24/08 Ended 1/24/08 Elevation 1609.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By REE/MJD Total Depth 5.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
1608	60%	None	40/31/29 (Lab)	Frozen	10YR 2/1 Black to 10YR 3/6 Dark Yellowish Brown	GM	Soil		Silty gravel with sand and organic fines, decreasing organic matter from 90%-70%, sand is fine- to medium-grained. Gradational color change.	1608	
2		None	5.41 239.0 19	10/70/20 (Visual)	7.5YR 3/4 Dark Brown	SM			Silty sand, homogeneous, sand is fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to angular. Matrix has approximately 10% rootlets with associated very dark brown (7.5YR 2.5/2) mottles. Cobbles are 100% black fine-grained metasediment.	1606	
4		None	40/36/24 (Lab)	Moist	10YR 3/4 Dark Yellowish Brown	GM	Upper Till		Silty gravel with sand, homogeneous, dense, sand is fine- to medium-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained, subangular to subrounded. Cobbles are 90% fine-grained black metasediment, 5% black coarse-grained gabbro (no sulfides), 5% granitoid.	1604	
5.0									Bedrock at 5.0'. Black biotite argillite. End of Boring - 5 feet	1604	
6											1602
8											1600

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Drill Method Rotasonic

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Elevation 1609.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By REE/MJD

Total Depth 5.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
	100%						GM	Soil		See RS-14A, 0-1.5' interval for description.	1608
2							SM			See RS-14A, 1.5-3' interval for description.	
4							GM	Upper Till		Similar to RS-14A, 3.0-5.0' interval. Slightly fewer fines, mottled. Mottles are yellowish red (5YR 4/6) and very dark grayish brown (10YR 3/2). Rust coloring also seen on most cobbles. Cobbles are 85% black fine-grained magnetic cherty iron formation and 5% granitoid.	1606
5										Bedrock at 5.0'. Black biotite argillite. End of Boring - 5 feet	1604
6											1602
8											1600

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 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/27/08 Ended 1/27/08 Elevation 1615.5  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB/REE Total Depth 0.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0	100%		5.59 275 104	1/46/53 (Lab)	Moist	Black 7.5YR 3/3 Dark Brown	OL/OH ML	Peat Soil		Fibrous peat. Sandy silt with organic material, homogeneous, no odor, no mottles, no visible sulfides. Hand auger refusal on rocks. End of Boring - 0.5 feet	1615.5
2											1614
4											1612
6											1610
8											1608
											1606

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 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/27/08 Ended 1/27/08 Elevation 1605.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB/REE Total Depth 2.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
2	100%		5.29 290 8	0/69/31 (Lab)	Moist	10YR 3/6 Dark Yellowish Brown	SM		Soil	Silty sand, homogeneous, no odor, no mottles, no visible sulfides.	1604
										Hand auger refusal on rocks. End of Boring - 2 feet	1602
4											1600
6											1598
8											1596

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 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/25/08 Ended 1/25/08 Elevation 1598.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB Total Depth 8.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0					Frozen	Dark Brown	OL/OH		Soil	Sandy organic soil. Abundant roots, grass, vegetative material.	
2	110%			30/37/33 (Lab)	Dry to Moist	Brown	SM			Gravelly silty sand. Sand is very fine- to fine-grained. Gravel is fine- to coarse-grained. Possible low-plasticity clay from 1 to 2.5'. Gravel is subangular to subrounded with various lithologies.	1596
4					Moist	Dark Brown					1594
6	66.67%			44/43/13 (Lab)	Moist	Dark Brown	GM		Upper Till	Silty gravel with sand. Sand is very fine- to coarse-grained. Gravel is fine- to coarse-grained with various lithologies.	1592
8				20/40/40 (Lab)	Moist to Wet	Brown	SM			Silty sand with gravel, sand is very fine- to fine-grained, gravel is fine- to coarse-grained with various lithologies, subrounded to rounded.	1590
										Granitoid boulder.	
										Refusal on boulder at 8.0'. End of Boring - 8 feet	1590

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Remarks: Geotechnical samples collected: 1-2.5' plastic bag, 2.5-4.5' 5-gallon bucket, 4.5-6' 5-gallon bucket

Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

**LOG OF Boring RS-17B**  
**DRAFT** SHEET 1 OF 2

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor Boart Longyear  
 Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/25/08 Ended 1/25/08 Elevation 1598.0  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB Total Depth 12.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
							OL/OH	Soil		See RS-17A, 0-1' interval for description.	
2	110%						SM			See RS-17A, 1-4.5' interval for description.	1596
4							GM	Upper Till		See RS-17A, 4.5-6' interval for description.	1594
6	80%						SM			See RS-17A, 6-7' interval for description.	1592
8	150%			40/50/10 (Visual)	Wet	Brown	SP-SM			See RS-17A, 7-8' interval for description.	1590
										Sand with silt and gravel. Sand is very fine- to medium-grained. Gravel is angular to rounded with various lithologies.	1590

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POLYMET LOG OF BORING 2008 2369B75.GPJ BARR JAN06 GDT 4/22/08

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Remarks: Geotechnical samples collected: 6.0-7.0' Shelby tube, 8-11' 5-gallon bucket  
 Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

**LOG OF Boring RS-17B**

**DRAFT**

SHEET 2 OF 2

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation

Drill Contractor Boart Longyear

Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization

Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV

Drilling Started 1/25/08 Ended 1/25/08

Elevation 1598.0

Location NorthMet Mine Site

Logged By MMB

Total Depth 12.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
12	100%			40/50/10 (Visual)	Wet	Brown	SP-SM		Upper Till	Sand with silt and gravel. Sand is very fine- to medium-grained. Gravel is angular to rounded with various lithologies. <i>(continued)</i>	
									Bed-rock	Troctolite bedrock, 0.8' long intact core-shaped piece.	
										End of Boring - 12 feet	1586
14										1584	
16											1582
18											1580

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Remarks: Geotechnical samples collected: 6.0-7.0' shelly tube, 8-11' 5-gallon bucket

Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

**LOG OF Boring RS-18A**  
**DRAFT** SHEET 1 OF 1

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor Boart Longyear  
 Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/29/08 Ended 1/29/08 Elevation 1588.5  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB Total Depth 10.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0	100%			20/60/20 (Visual)	Wet	Black	SM		Soil	Silty sand with gravel, organic rich.	1588
2	100%			10/5/85 (Visual)	Moist	Yellowish Brown	ML		Upper Till	Silt with possible low plasticity clay and approximately 10% gravel, mottled.	1586
4	100%			30/50/20 (Visual)	Moist	Brown	SC			Clayey sand with gravel, sand is fine-grained. Note: Geotechnical laboratory homogenized 0-5' interval. Grain size analysis indicates 26% gravel, 44% sand, and 30% silt and clay.	1584
6	100%			32/47/21 (Lab)	Moist	Dark Gray to Black	SM		Lower Till	Gravelly silty sand.	1582
8	100%								Bed-rock	Bedrock at 8.0'. Troctolite core pieces.	1580
10										End of Boring - 10 feet	

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Remarks: Geotechnical samples: 0-5', 5-8'  
 Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

# LOG OF Boring RS-19A

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SHEET 1 OF 1

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation      Drill Contractor Boart Longyear

Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization      Drill Method Rotasonic

Number 23/69-B75 INV      Drilling Started 1/31/08      Ended 1/31/08

Elevation 1600.5

Location NorthMet Mine Site      Logged By MMB

Total Depth 9.5

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
	80%				Dry	Gray		GP		Boulder	1600
2	95%		13/47/40 (Lab)		Moist	10YR 4/4 Dark Yellowish Brown	SM	SM		Silty sand with a little gravel, sand is fine- to medium-grained, with 30% irregular gray mottles in matrix.	1598
4			20/60/20 (Visual)		Moist	10YR 4/2 Dark Grayish Brown	SM	Upper Till		Silty sand with gravel, sand is fine- to medium-grained. Mottled and has less than 5% reddish mottles.	1596
6			80/20/0 (Visual)		Dry	Various	GP			Gravel with sand, driller suspects interval is cobbles broken into gravel by drilling.	1594
8	100%							Bed-rock		Bedrock at 9.0'. Troctolite plug in core barrel.	1592
										End of Boring - 9.5 feet	

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Remarks: Geotechnical samples: 1-6'; Shelby tubes: 1.5-3.5'

Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

**LOG OF Boring RS-20A**  
**DRAFT** SHEET 1 OF 1

Client PolyMet Mining Corporation Drill Contractor Boart Longyear  
 Project Name Polymet Overburden Characterization Drill Method Rotasonic  
 Number 23/69-B75 INV Drilling Started 1/31/08 Ended 1/31/08 Elevation 1602.5  
 Location NorthMet Mine Site Logged By MMB Total Depth 7.0

DEPTH FEET	SAMP. LENGTH & RECOVERY	Matrix Effervescence	Soil pH-ORP-Specific Cond.	%GR/SA/FINES	Moisture	Matrix Color	ASTM	LITHOLOGY	Stratigraphic Unit	DESCRIPTION	ELEV. FEET
0	100%				Frozen					Silty sand, sand is fine-grained.	1602
2	100%		10/60/30 (Visual)		Moist	2.5Y 3/3 Dark Olive Brown	SM				
4	100%		25/42/33 (Lab)		Moist	2.5Y 4/2 Dark Grayish Brown	SM		Upper Till	Silty sand with gravel, fine- to coarse-grained sand, fine- to coarse-grained gravel, boulders and cobbles. Possible low plasticity clay.	1600
6	100%		29/41/30 (Lab)		Moist						1598
6.5	100%				Dry			Bedrock		Bedrock at 6.5'. Troctolite pieces.	1596
7.0										End of Boring - 7 feet	
8											1594

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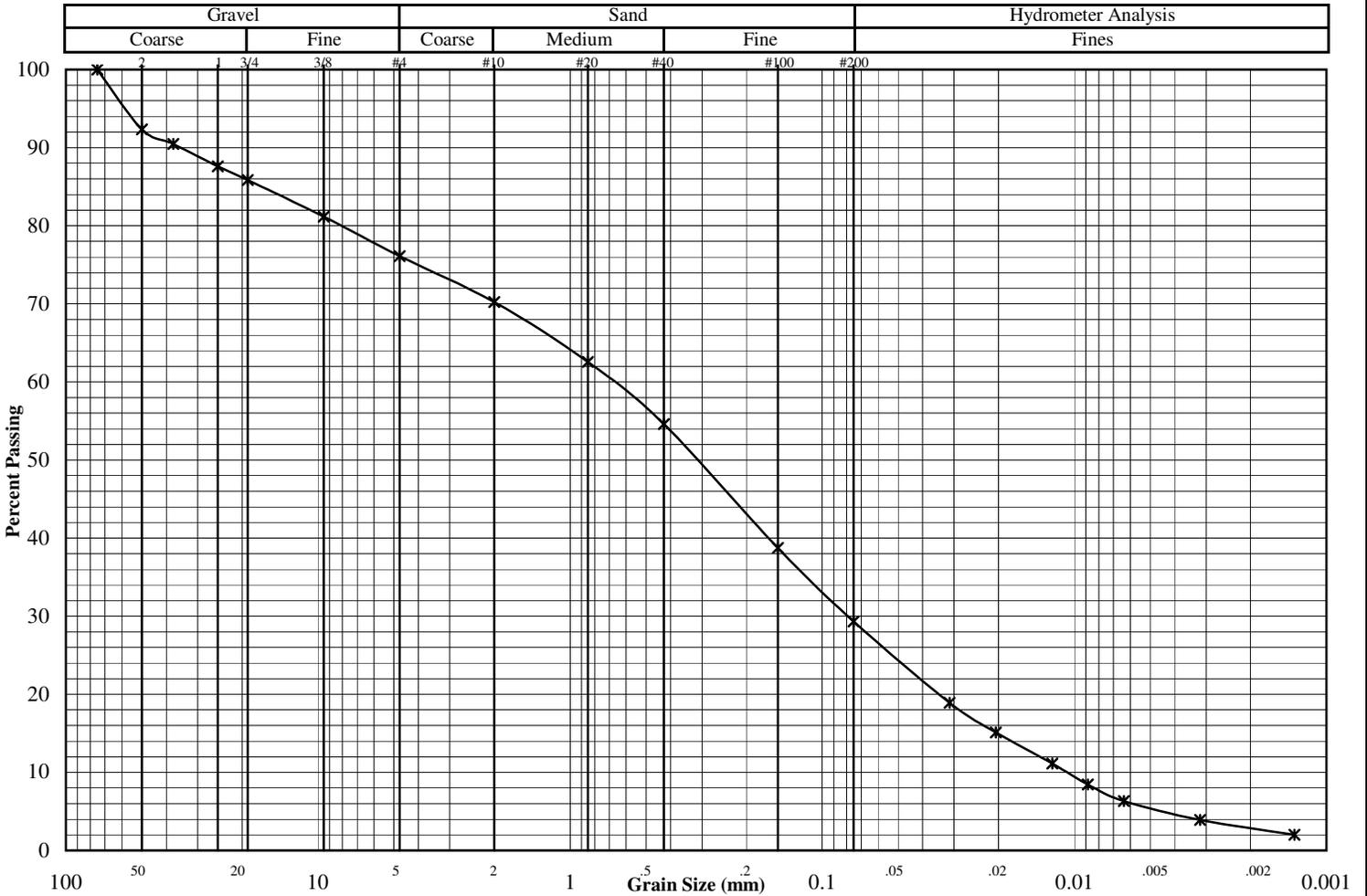
Remarks: Geotechnical samples: 2-4.5', 4.5-6'; Shelby tubes: 2-3'  
 Additional data may have been collected in the field which is not included on this log.

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/5/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/6/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-01B	07-0335	1-5	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
●				
◇				



	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP		
Plastic Limit	NP		
Plasticity Index	NP		
Water Content	8.7		
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*		
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	23986.0		
2"	92.3		
1.5"	90.5		
1"	87.6		
3/4"	85.9		
3/8"	81.2		
#4	76.1		
#10	70.2		
#20	62.6		
#40	54.6		
#100	38.7		
#200	29.3		

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D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
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Remarks:

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/5/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/6/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-01B	07-0335	1-5	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
Spec 2					
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

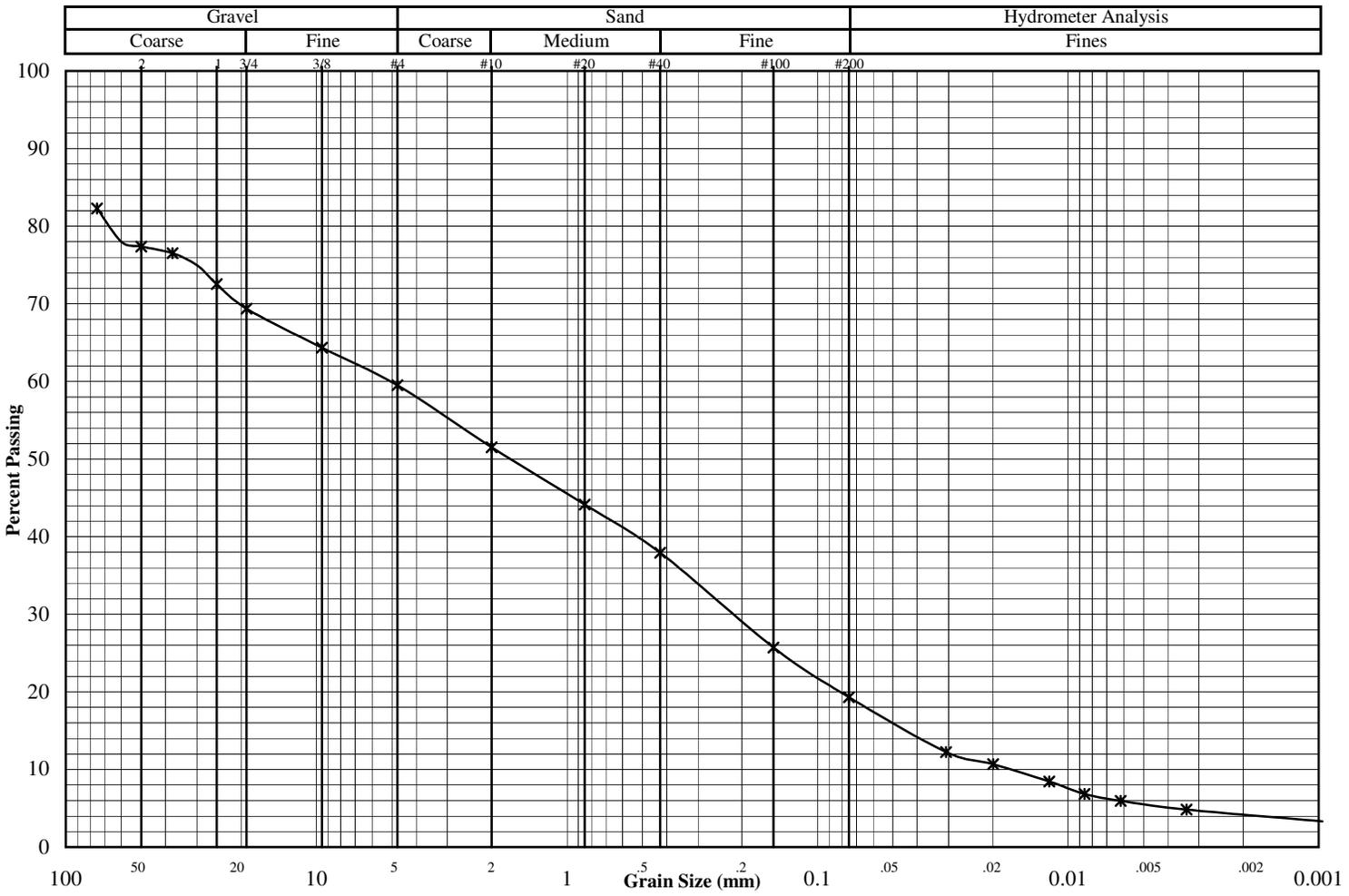
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.031	18.9				
0.020	15.1				
0.012	11.1				
0.009	8.5				
0.006	6.3				
0.003	3.9				
0.001	2.0				

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project: Polymet	Test Date: 4/10/08
Reported To: Barr Engineering Company	Report Date: 4/14/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-10	07-0400	3.5-5	Bag	Sandy Silty Gravel (GM/SM)
●				
◇				



	Other Tests			Mass (g)	Percent Passing			
	*	●	◇		*	●	◇	
Liquid Limit	20.3			9484.4				D <sub>60</sub>
Plastic Limit	16.0			2" 77.4				D <sub>30</sub>
Plasticity Index	4.3			1.5" 76.5				D <sub>10</sub>
Water Content	10.4			1" 72.5				C <sub>u</sub>
Dry Density (pcf)				3/4" 69.4				C <sub>c</sub>
Specific Gravity	2.66*			3/8" 64.3				Remarks: All 3" gravel passed 3.5" sieve
Porosity				#4 59.5				
Organic Content				#10 51.5				
pH				#20 44.1				
Shrinkage Limit				#40 37.9				
Penetrometer				#100 25.7				
Qu (psf)				#200 19.3				
(* = assumed)								

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-10	07-0400	3.5-5	Bag	Sandy Silty Gravel (GM/SM)
Spec 2					
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

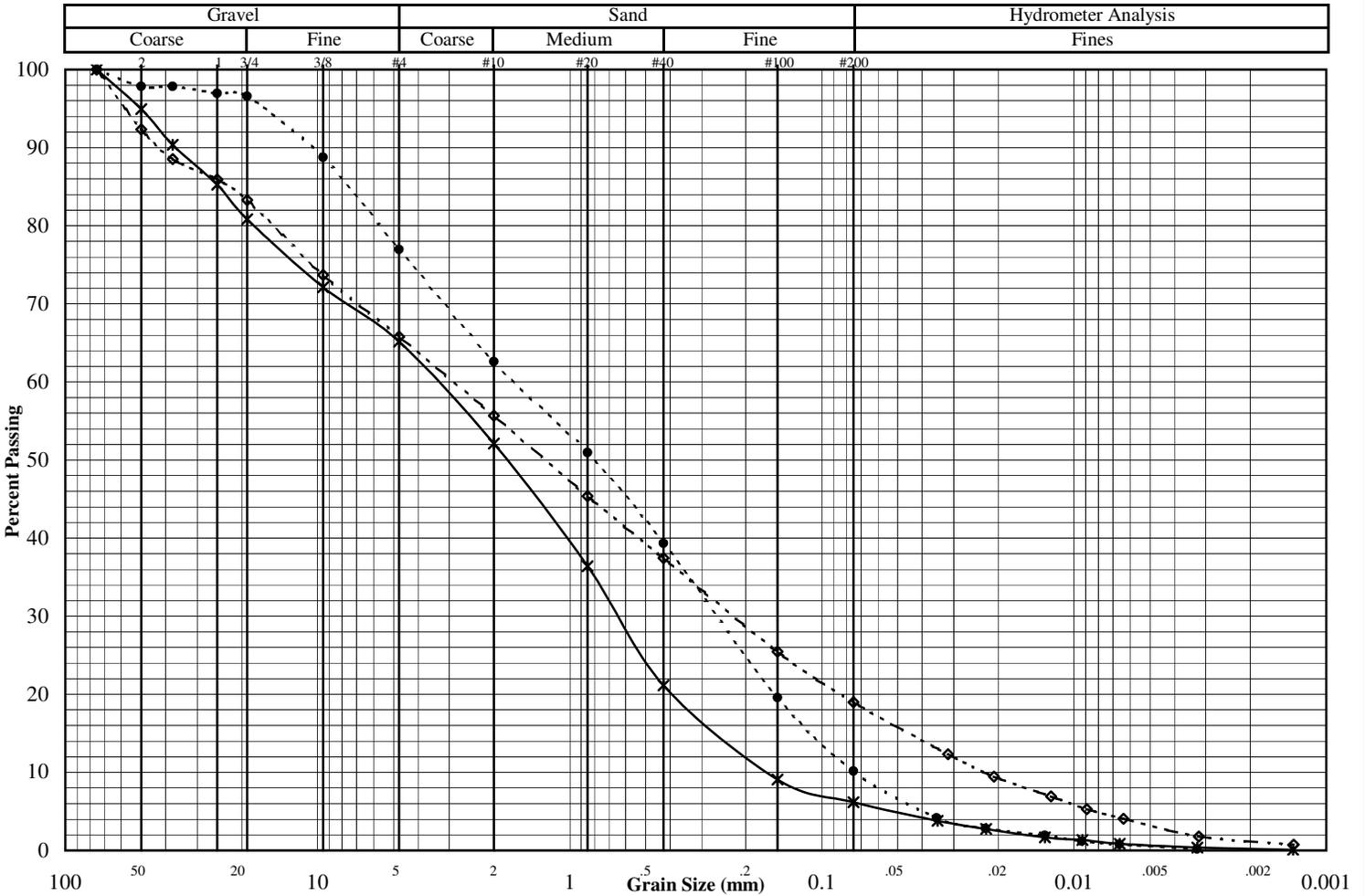
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.031	12.2				
0.020	10.7				
0.012	8.4				
0.009	6.9				
0.006	6.0				
0.003	4.8				
0.001	3.3				

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-11	07-0244	17-25	Bag	Gravelly Sand w/Silt, medium to coarse grained (SP-SM)
● RS-11	07-0228	25-28	Bag	Sand w/Silt and Gravel, fine to medium grained (SP-SM)
◇ RS-11	07-0236	28-31	Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)



	Other Tests		
	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP	NP	NP
Plastic Limit	NP	NP	NP
Plasticity Index	NP	NP	NP
Water Content	9.9	13.7	7.1
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*	2.66*
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	Percent Passing		
	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	16585.9	12883.5	13443.7
2"	95.0	97.8	92.3
1.5"	90.3	97.8	88.5
1"	85.3	96.9	85.9
3/4"	80.8	96.6	83.3
3/8"	72.1	88.8	73.7
#4	65.2	77.0	65.8
#10	52.1	62.6	55.7
#20	36.4	51.0	45.4
#40	21.1	39.3	37.4
#100	9.1	19.6	25.5
#200	6.2	10.2	19.0

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D <sub>30</sub>			
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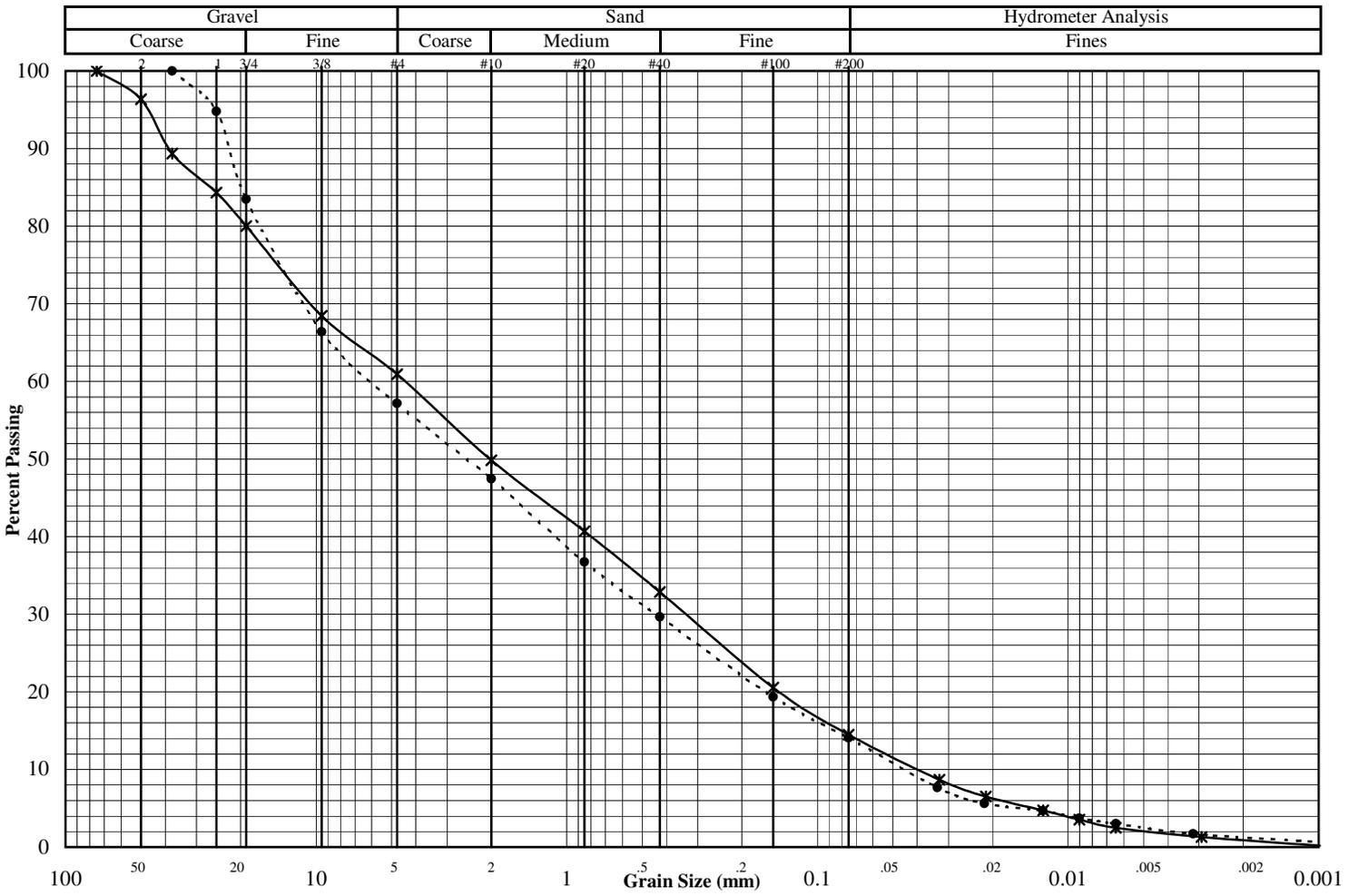
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# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-11	07-0385	31-33	Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
● RS-11	07-0370	9.5-10	Jar	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
◇				



	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP	NP	
Plastic Limit	NP	NP	
Plasticity Index	NP	NP	
Water Content	15.4	3.7	
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*	
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			
(* = assumed)			

	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	16975.9	410.9	
2"	96.3		
1.5"	89.3	100.0	
1"	84.3	94.8	
3/4"	80.0	83.5	
3/8"	68.4	66.4	
#4	60.9	57.2	
#10	49.8	47.4	
#20	40.7	36.7	
#40	32.8	29.7	
#100	20.6	19.4	
#200	14.5	14.1	

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08	
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08	
Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-11	07-0244	17-25 Bag	Gravelly Sand w/Silt, medium to coarse grained (SP-SM)
Spec 2	RS-11	07-0228	25-28 Bag	Sand w/Silt and Gravel, fine to medium grained (SP-SM)
Spec 3	RS-11	07-0236	28-31 Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)

## Hydrometer Data

Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.035	3.8	0.035	4.2	0.032	12.3
0.022	2.8	0.022	2.8	0.021	9.5
0.013	1.7	0.013	2.0	0.012	6.9
0.009	1.3	0.009	1.2	0.009	5.3
0.007	0.9	0.007	0.8	0.006	4.1
0.003	0.4	0.003	0.2	0.003	1.8
0.001	0.1	0.001	-0.1	0.001	0.7

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-11	07-0385	31-33	Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 2	RS-11	07-0370	9.5-10	Jar	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

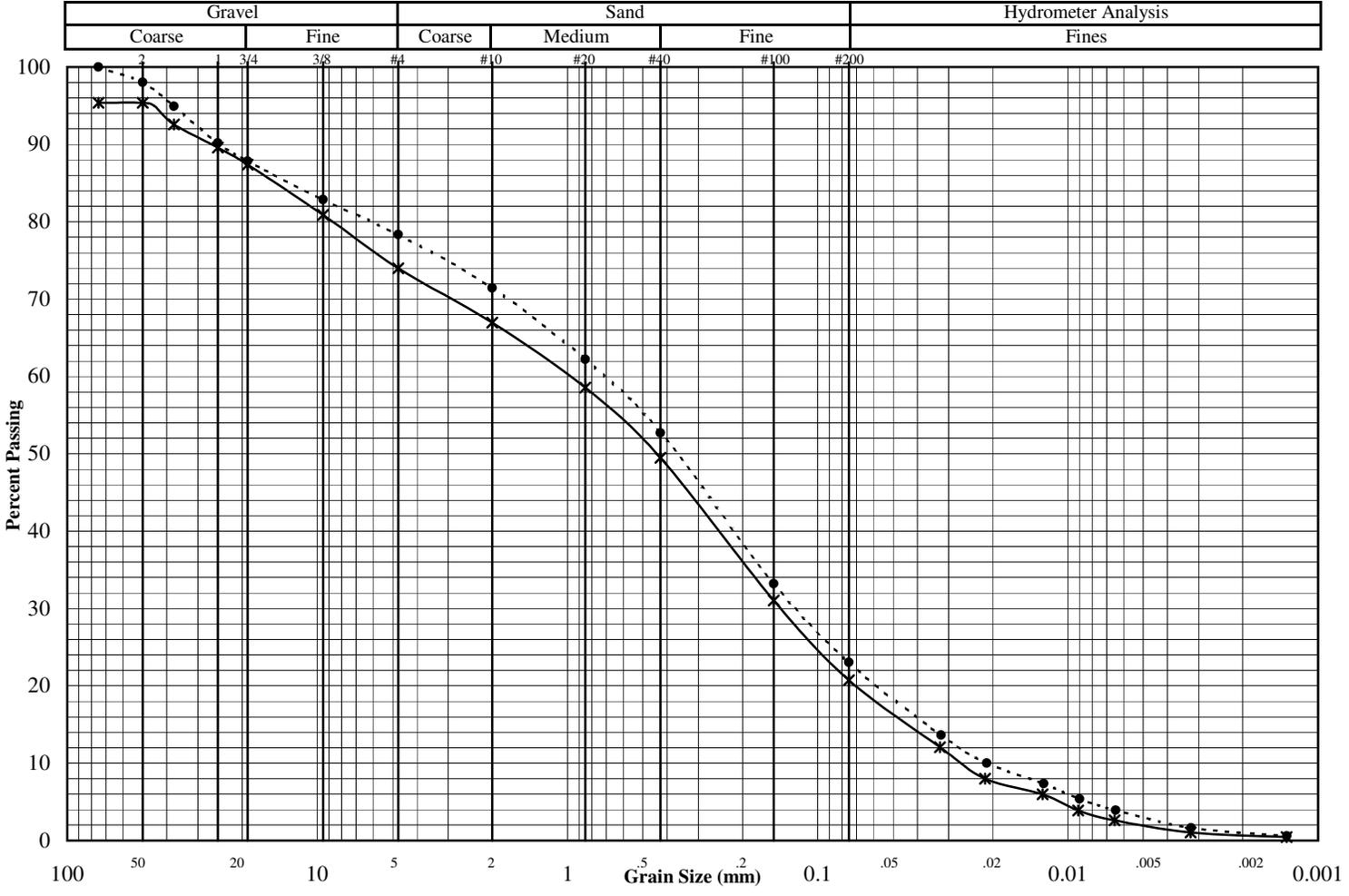
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.033	8.7	0.033	7.7		
0.021	6.5	0.022	5.6		
0.013	4.7	0.013	4.7		
0.009	3.5	0.009	3.7		
0.006	2.5	0.006	3.0		
0.003	1.3	0.003	1.7		
0.001	0.2	0.001	0.6		

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project: Polymet	Test Date: 4/10/08
Reported To: Barr Engineering Company	Report Date: 4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	RS-12	07-0372	10-15	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
●	RS-12	07-0378	5.5-10	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
◇					



	Other Tests		
	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP	NP	
Plastic Limit	NP	NP	
Plasticity Index	NP	NP	
Water Content	3.7	5.4	
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*	
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	Percent Passing		
	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	27040.9	21277.9	
2"	95.4	98.0	
1.5"	92.6	94.9	
1"	89.6	90.2	
3/4"	87.4	87.8	
3/8"	80.9	82.9	
#4	74.0	78.3	
#10	67.0	71.4	
#20	58.5	62.2	
#40	49.5	52.7	
#100	31.0	33.2	
#200	20.7	23.0	

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

All 3" gravel passed 3.5" sieve

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-12	07-0372	10-15	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
Spec 2	RS-12	07-0378	5.5-10	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

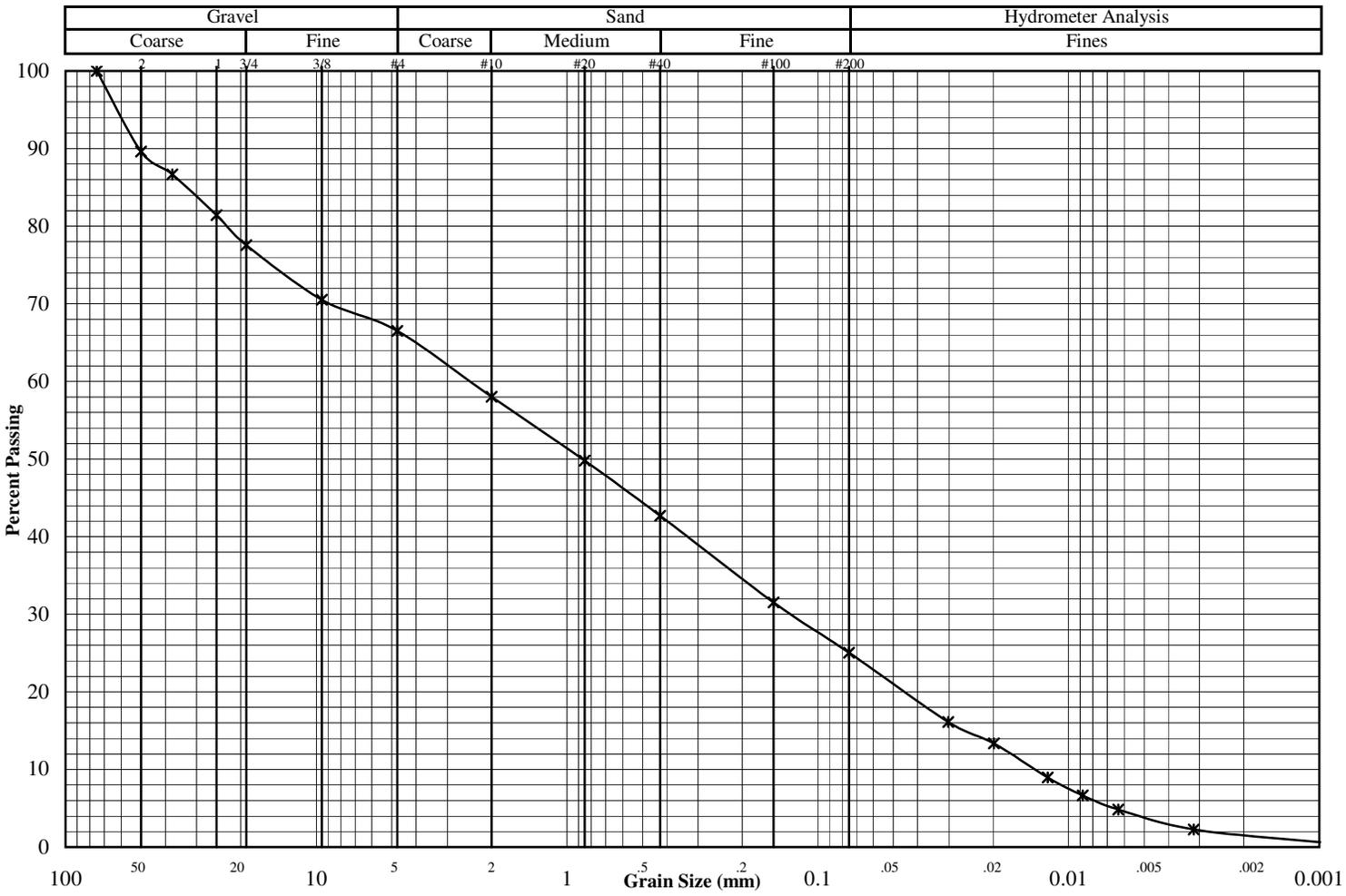
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.032	12.1	0.032	13.6		
0.021	8.0	0.021	10.0		
0.013	6.0	0.012	7.4		
0.009	3.9	0.009	5.4		
0.007	2.6	0.006	3.9		
0.003	1.1	0.003	1.6		
0.001	0.4	0.001	0.6		

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project: Polymet	Test Date: 4/10/08
Reported To: Barr Engineering Company	Report Date: 4/14/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-13	07-0394	2.5-6	Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
●				
◇				



	Other Tests			Mass (g)	Percent Passing			
	*	●	◇		*	●	◇	
Liquid Limit	NP			10618.6				D <sub>60</sub>
Plastic Limit	NP			2" 89.6				D <sub>30</sub>
Plasticity Index	NP			1.5" 86.7				D <sub>10</sub>
Water Content	11.5			1" 81.4				C <sub>u</sub>
Dry Density (pcf)				3/4" 77.6				C <sub>c</sub>
Specific Gravity	2.66*			3/8" 70.5				
Porosity				#4 66.5				
Organic Content				#10 58.0				
pH				#20 49.8				
Shrinkage Limit				#40 42.7				
Penetrometer				#100 31.5				
Qu (psf)				#200 25.0				
(* = assumed)								

Remarks:

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-13	07-0394	2.5-6	Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 2					
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

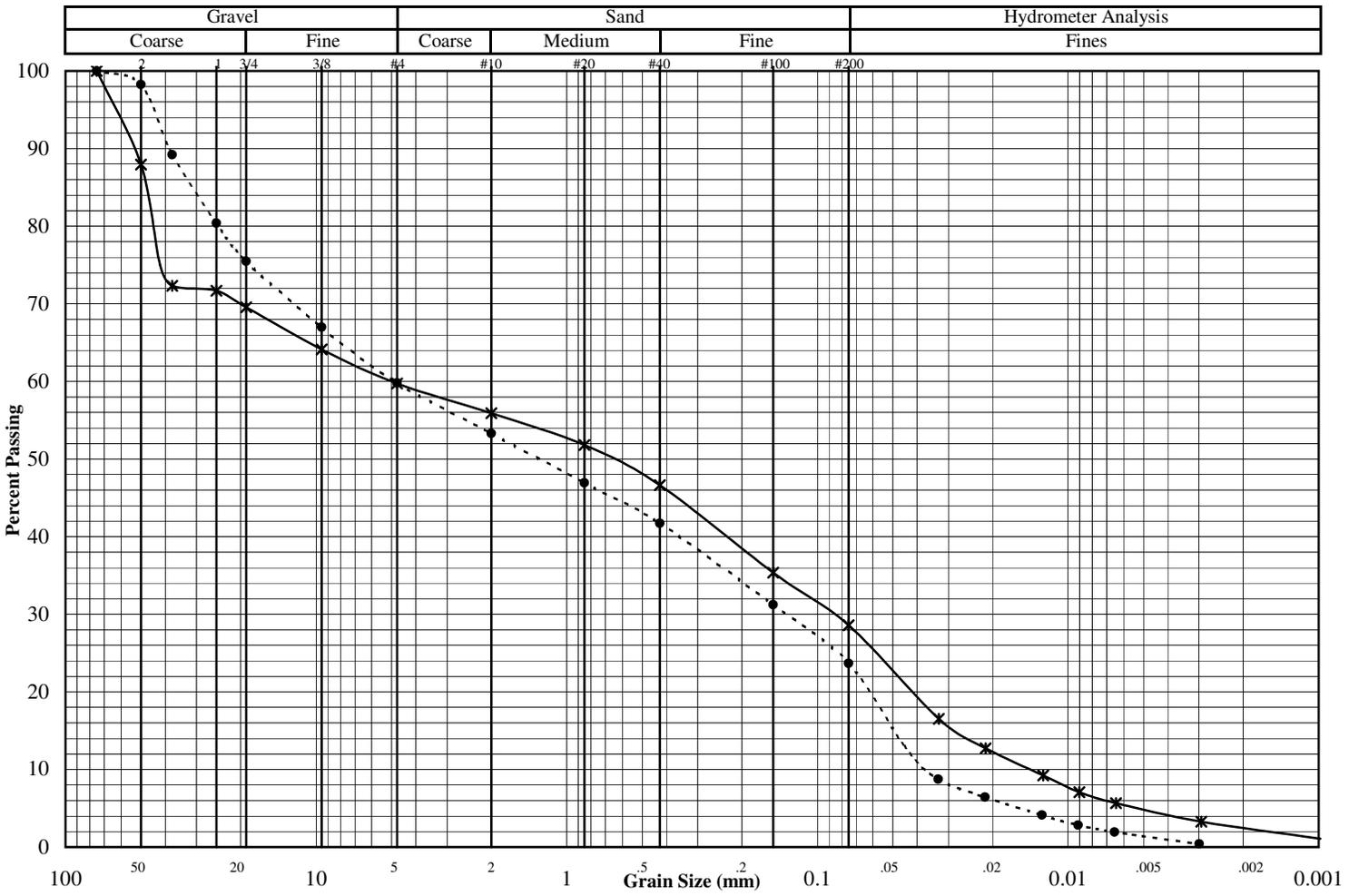
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.030	16.1				
0.020	13.4				
0.012	9.0				
0.009	6.7				
0.006	4.8				
0.003	2.3				
0.001	0.6				

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	RS-14A/RS-14R	07-0240	0-1.5	Bag	Silty Gravel w/Sand and Organic fines (GM)
●	RS-14A/RS-14R	07-0232	3-5	Bag	Silty Gravel w/Sand (GM)
◇					



	Other Tests			Percent Passing			Hydrometer Analysis		
	*	●	◇	*	●	◇	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	45.2	NP		Mass (g)	2392.0	12931.6	D <sub>60</sub>		
Plastic Limit	43.0	NP		2"	88.0	98.2	D <sub>30</sub>		
Plasticity Index	2.2	NP		1.5"	72.3	89.2	D <sub>10</sub>		
Water Content	68.8	11.7		1"	71.7	80.4	C <sub>u</sub>		
Dry Density (pcf)				3/4"	69.6	75.5	C <sub>c</sub>		
Specific Gravity	2.55*	2.66*		3/8"	64.1	67.0	Remarks: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div>		
Porosity				#4	59.7	59.8			
Organic Content				#10	55.9	53.3			
pH				#20	51.8	46.9			
Shrinkage Limit				#40	46.6	41.7			
Penetrometer				#100	35.4	31.2			
Qu (psf)				#200	28.6	23.7			
(* = assumed)									

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Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-14A/RS-14R	07-0240	0-1.5	Bag	Silty Gravel w/Sand and Organic fines (GM)
Spec 2	RS-14A/RS-14R	07-0232	3-5	Bag	Silty Gravel w/Sand (GM)
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.033	16.5	0.033	8.8		
0.021	12.7	0.021	6.4		
0.013	9.2	0.013	4.1		
0.009	7.1	0.009	2.8		
0.006	5.7	0.007	2.0		
0.003	3.3	0.003	0.4		
0.001	1.1	0.001	-0.2		

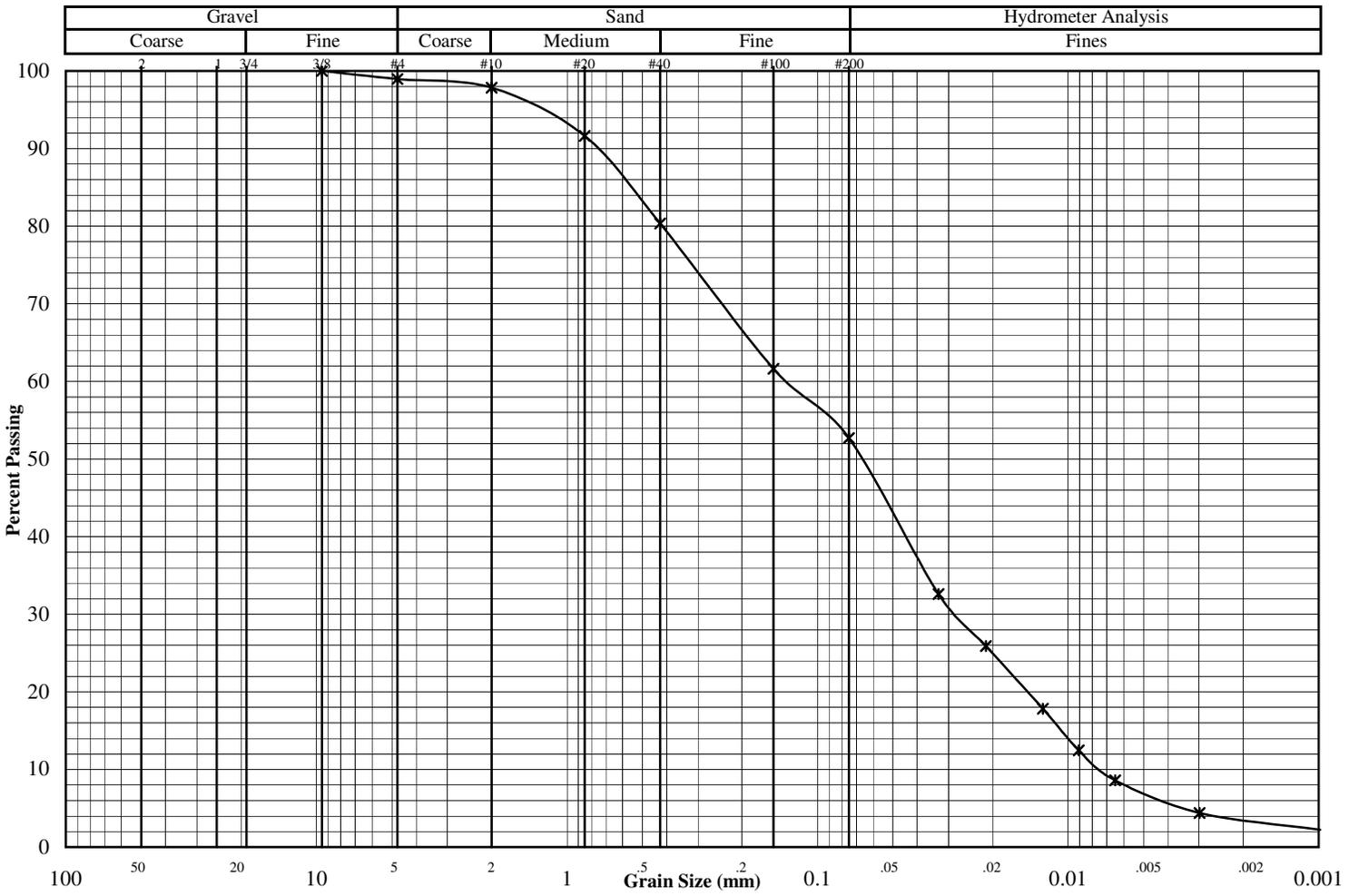
# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project: Polymet  
 Reported To: Barr Engineering Company

Test Date: 4/10/08  
 Report Date: 4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	RS-15	07-0355	0-0.5	Jar	Sandy Silt w/organic material (ML)
●					
◇					



	Other Tests		
	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP		
Plastic Limit	NP		
Plasticity Index	NP		
Water Content	69.7		
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.55*		
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	Percent Passing		
	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	104.4		
2"			
1.5"			
1"			
3/4"			
3/8"	100.0		
#4	99.0		
#10	97.8		
#20	91.6		
#40	80.3		
#100	61.6		
#200	52.7		

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-15	07-0355	0-0.5	Jar	Sandy Silt w/organic material (ML)
Spec 2					
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.033	32.6				
0.021	25.9				
0.013	17.8				
0.009	12.5				
0.006	8.6				
0.003	4.4				
0.001	2.2				

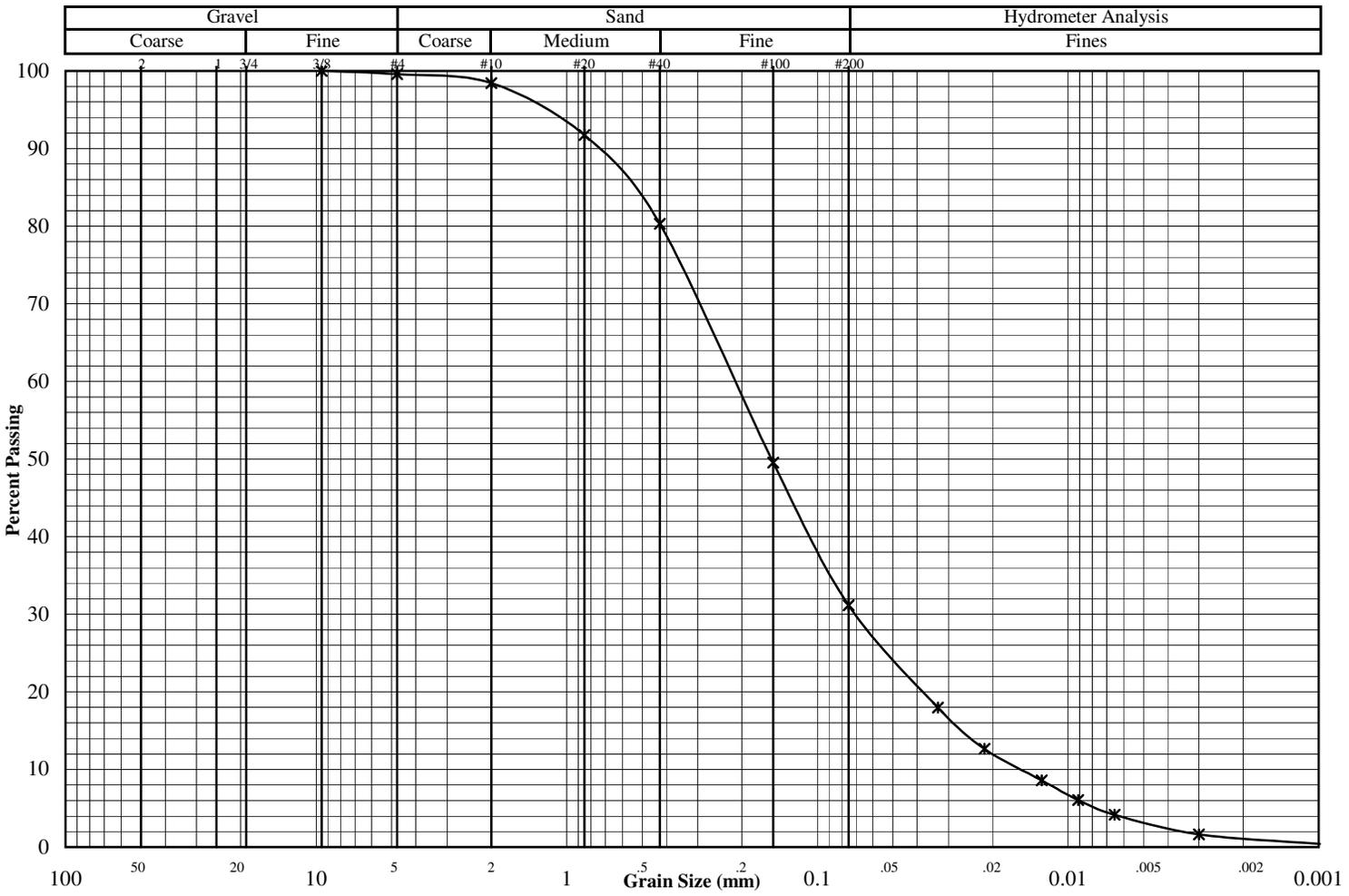
# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project: Polymet  
 Reported To: Barr Engineering Company

Test Date: 4/10/08  
 Report Date: 4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	RS-16	07-0357	0-2	Jar	Silty Sand (SM)
●					
◇					



	Other Tests		
	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP		
Plastic Limit	NP		
Plasticity Index	NP		
Water Content	22.3		
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*		
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	Percent Passing		
	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	240.2		
2"			
1.5"			
1"			
3/4"			
3/8"	100.0		
#4	99.6		
#10	98.4		
#20	91.7		
#40	80.3		
#100	49.5		
#200	31.2		

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-16	07-0357	0-2	Jar	Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 2					
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

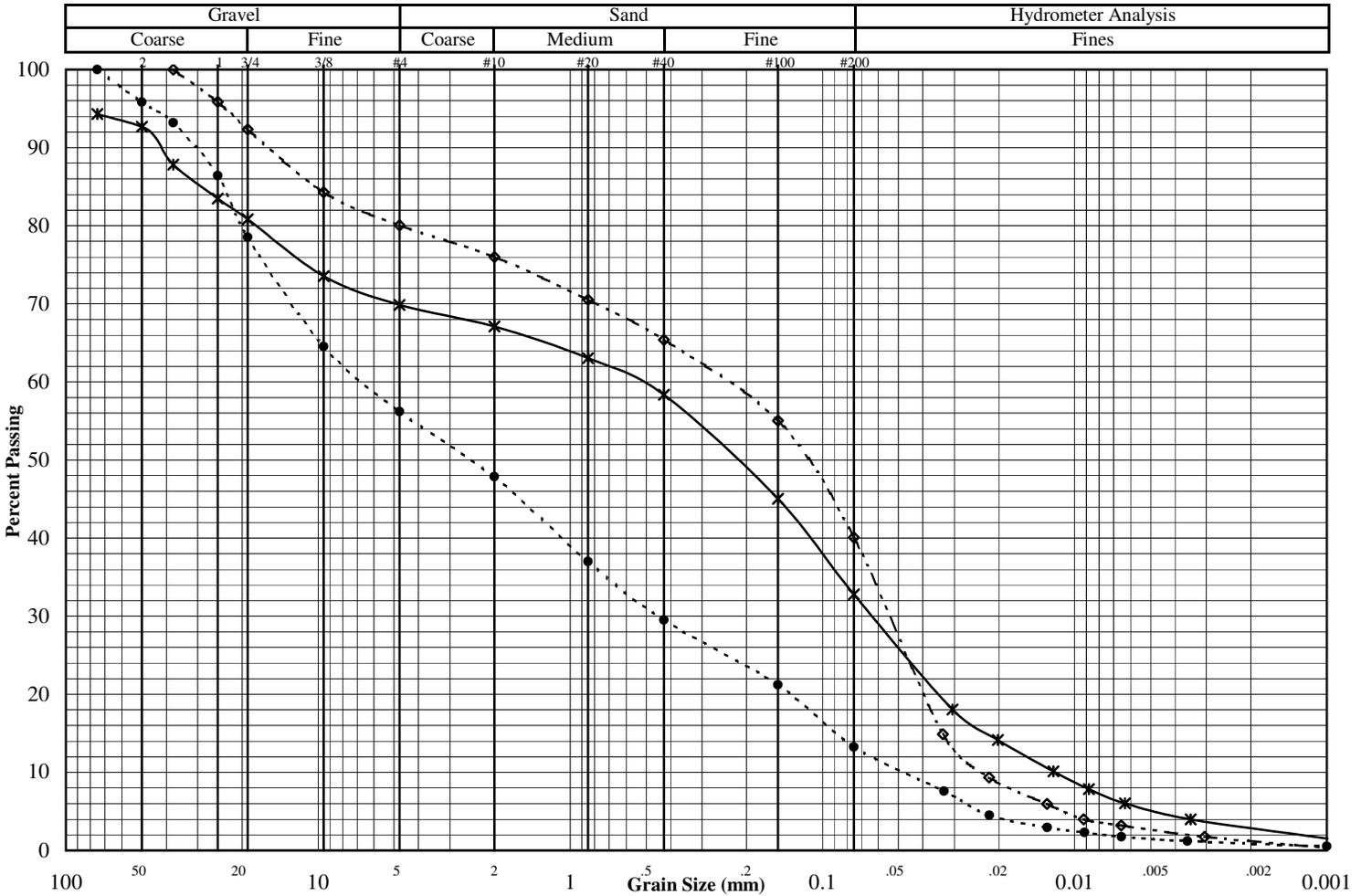
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.033	18.0				
0.022	12.7				
0.013	8.6				
0.009	6.1				
0.007	4.2				
0.003	1.6				
0.001	0.4				

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Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	RS-17B	07-0214	2.5-4.5	Bulk	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
●	RS-17B	07-0205	4.5-6	Bulk	Silty Gravel w/Sand (GM)
◇	RS-17C	07-0346	6-7	TWT	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)



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Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-17B	07-0214	2.5-4.5	Bulk	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 2	RS-17B	07-0205	4.5-6	Bulk	Silty Gravel w/Sand (GM)
Spec 3	RS-17C	07-0346	6-7	TWT	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)

### Hydrometer Data

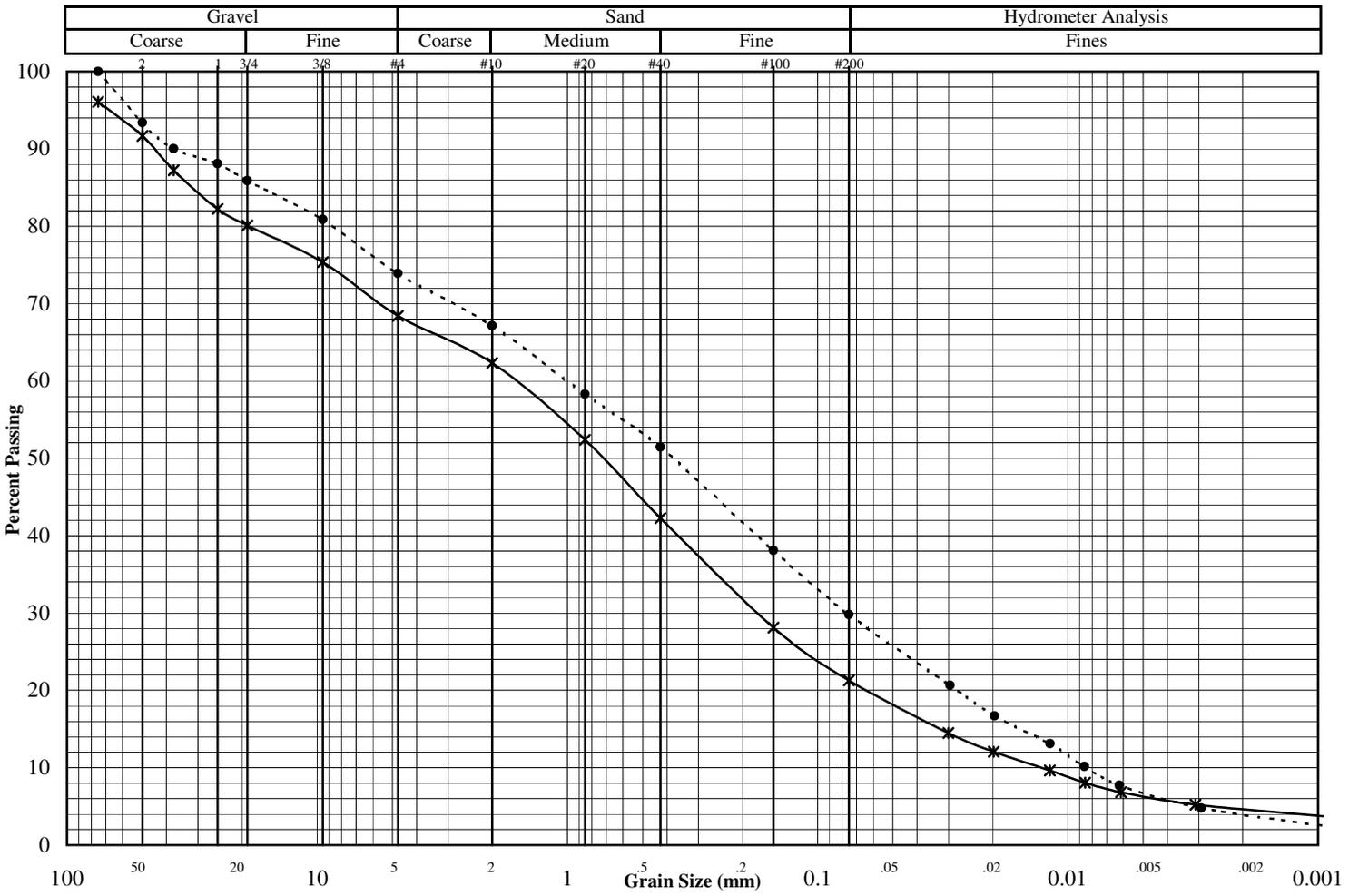
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.031	18.1	0.033	7.6	0.033	14.9
0.020	14.2	0.022	4.5	0.022	9.3
0.012	10.1	0.013	3.0	0.013	5.9
0.009	7.9	0.009	2.3	0.009	4.0
0.006	6.0	0.007	1.8	0.007	3.2
0.003	4.0	0.004	1.2	0.003	1.8
0.001	1.5	0.001	0.5	0.001	0.4

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project: Polymet	Test Date: 4/10/08
Reported To: Barr Engineering Company	Report Date: 4/14/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-18		5-8	Bulk	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
● RS-18		0-5	Bulk	Silty Clayey Sand w/Gravel (SC-SM)
◇				



	Other Tests		
	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP	23.1	
Plastic Limit	NP	17.1	
Plasticity Index	NP	6.0	
Water Content	21.5	25.4	
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*	
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	Percent Passing		
	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	27086.5	19537.0	
2"	91.7	93.4	
1.5"	87.2	90.0	
1"	82.2	88.1	
3/4"	80.1	85.9	
3/8"	75.4	80.9	
#4	68.4	73.9	
#10	62.3	67.1	
#20	52.4	58.3	
#40	42.3	51.5	
#100	28.1	38.1	
#200	21.3	29.8	

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

All 3" gravel passed 3.5" sieve

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-18		5-8	Bulk	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 2	RS-18		0-5	Bulk	Silty Clayey Sand w/Gravel (SC-SM)
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

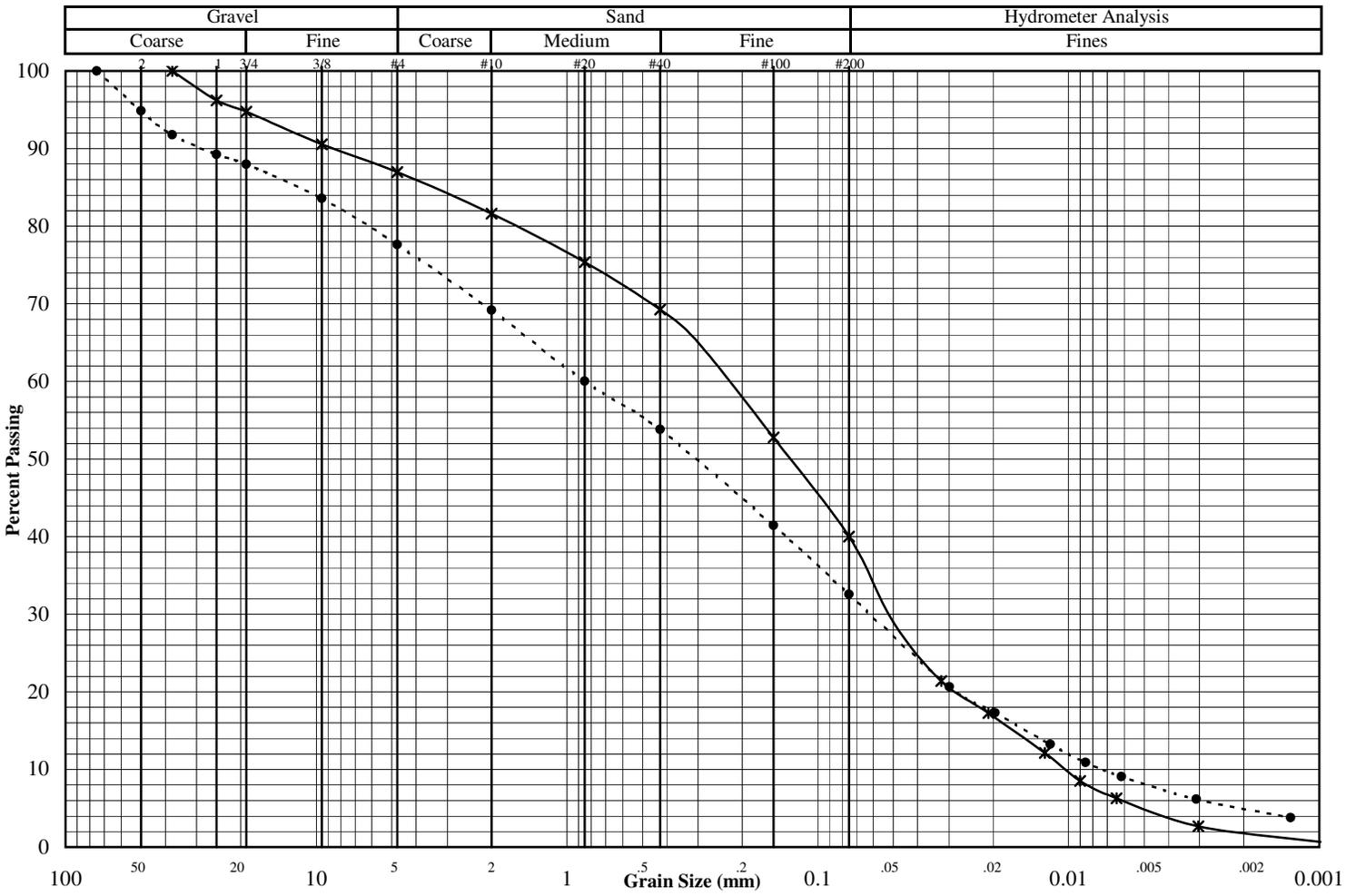
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.030	14.5	0.030	20.6		
0.020	12.0	0.020	16.7		
0.012	9.6	0.012	13.1		
0.009	8.1	0.009	10.2		
0.006	6.8	0.006	7.7		
0.003	5.2	0.003	4.8		
0.001	3.7	0.001	2.5		

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-19	07-0342	1.5-3.5	TWT	Silty Sand w/a little gravel (SM)
● RS-19	07-0382	1-6	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM/SC-SM)
◇				



	Other Tests			Mass (g)	Percent Passing			
	*	●	◇		*	●	◇	
Liquid Limit	19.1	19.7		4861.0	22002.7		D <sub>60</sub>	
Plastic Limit	17.8	16.1		2"	94.9		D <sub>30</sub>	
Plasticity Index	1.3	3.6		1.5"	100.0	91.8	D <sub>10</sub>	
Water Content	7.6	3.9		1"	96.2	89.2	C <sub>u</sub>	
Dry Density (pcf)				3/4"	94.7	88.0	C <sub>c</sub>	
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.67*		3/8"	90.5	83.6	Remarks: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div>	
Porosity				#4	87.0	77.6		
Organic Content				#10	81.6	69.2		
pH				#20	75.4	60.0		
Shrinkage Limit				#40	69.2	53.8		
Penetrometer				#100	52.8	41.5		
Qu (psf)				#200	40.0	32.6		
(* = assumed)								

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Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-19	07-0342	1.5-3.5	TWT	Silty Sand w/a little gravel (SM)
Spec 2	RS-19	07-0382	1-6	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM/SC-SM)
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

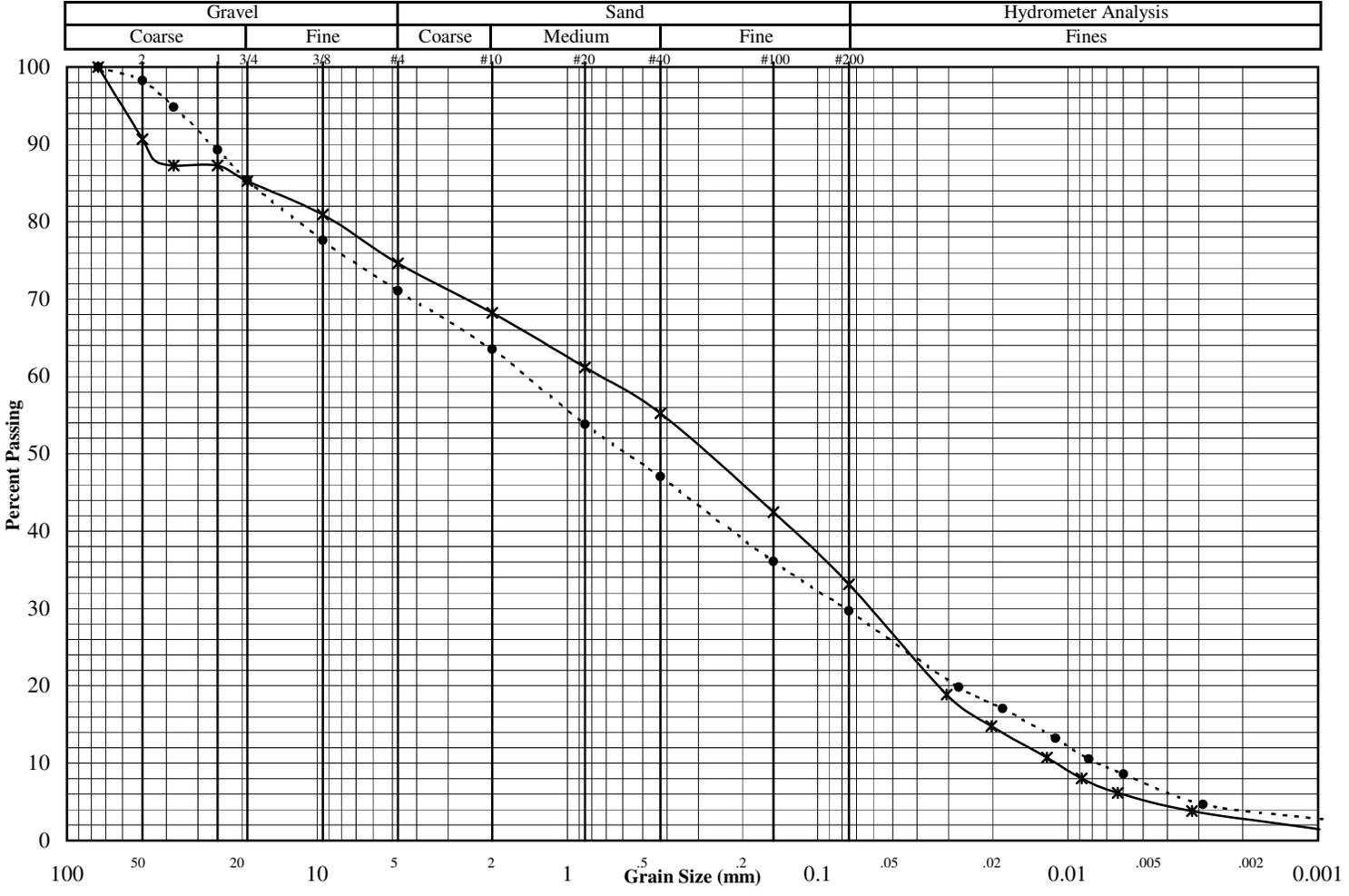
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.032	21.4	0.030	20.7		
0.021	17.3	0.020	17.3		
0.012	12.1	0.012	13.3		
0.009	8.5	0.009	10.9		
0.006	6.3	0.006	9.1		
0.003	2.7	0.003	6.2		
0.001	0.7	0.001	3.8		

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-20	07-0345	2-3	TWT	Silty Sand w/ gravel (SM)
● RS-20	07-0377	2-4.5	Bulk	Silty Sand w/ gravel (SM)
◇				



	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP	15.5	
Plastic Limit	NP	15.4	
Plasticity Index	NP	0.1	
Water Content	3.7	10.4	
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*	
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	3120.4	18390.9	
2"	90.6	98.2	
1.5"	87.3	94.8	
1"	87.3	89.3	
3/4"	85.2	85.4	
3/8"	80.9	77.6	
#4	74.6	71.1	
#10	68.2	63.5	
#20	61.2	53.8	
#40	55.2	47.1	
#100	42.5	36.1	
#200	33.1	29.7	

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/10/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/14/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-20	07-0345	2-3	TWT	Silty Sand w/gravel (SM)
Spec 2	RS-20	07-0377	2-4.5	Bulk	Silty Sand w/gravel (SM)
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

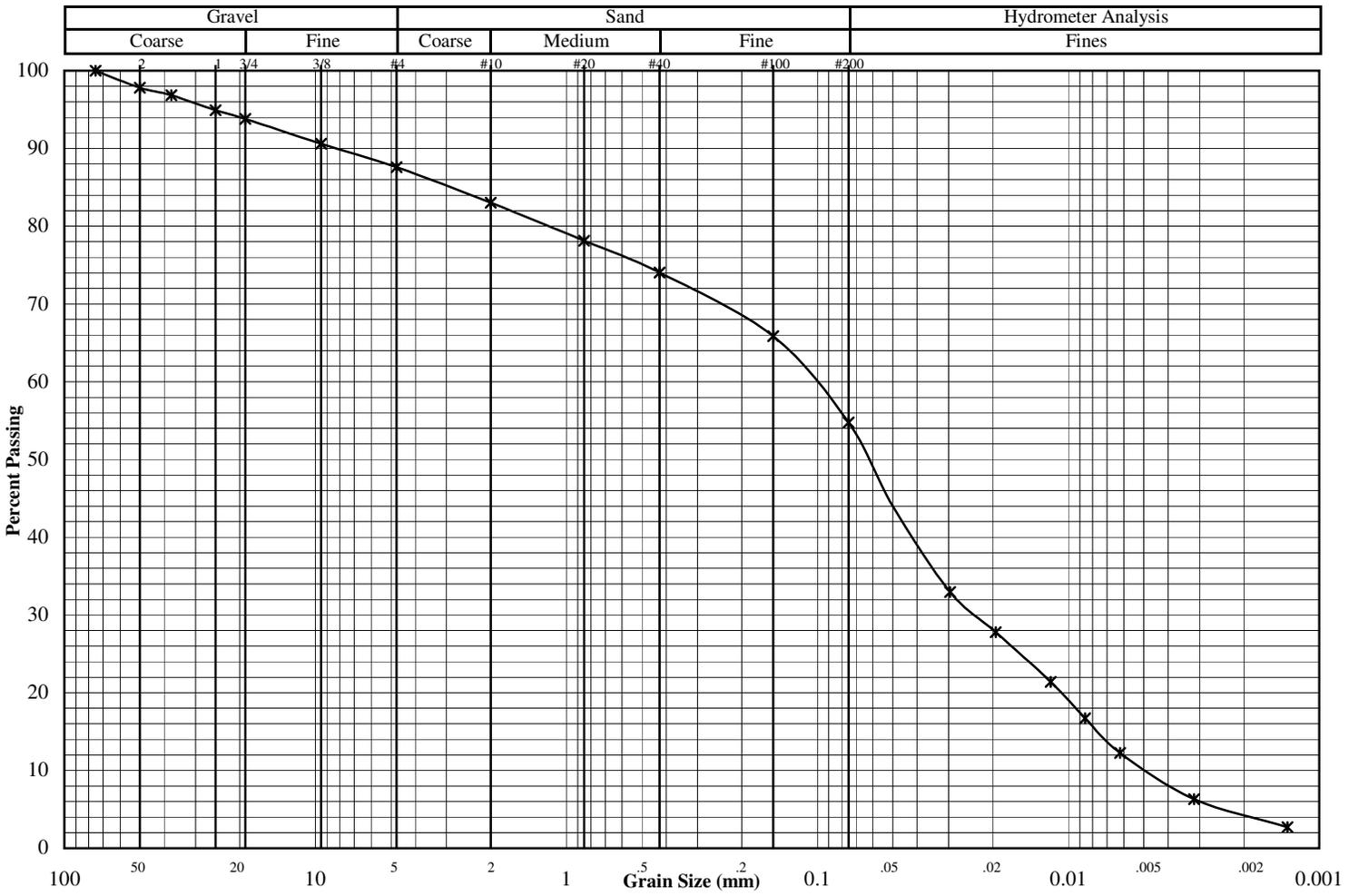
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.031	18.9	0.027	19.8		
0.020	14.8	0.018	17.1		
0.012	10.7	0.011	13.2		
0.009	8.0	0.008	10.5		
0.006	6.2	0.006	8.6		
0.003	3.8	0.003	4.7		
0.001	1.5	0.001	2.8		

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/5/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/6/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-03	07-0336	10-15	Bulk	Sandy Silt w/a little gravel (ML)
●				
◇				



	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	16.9		
Plastic Limit	14.3		
Plasticity Index	2.6		
Water Content	11.3		
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*		
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	24964.0		
2"	97.8		
1.5"	96.8		
1"	94.9		
3/4"	93.8		
3/8"	90.6		
#4	87.6		
#10	83.0		
#20	78.1		
#40	74.0		
#100	65.9		
#200	54.8		

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/5/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/6/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-03	07-0336	10-15	Bulk	Sandy Silt w/a little gravel (ML)
Spec 2					
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

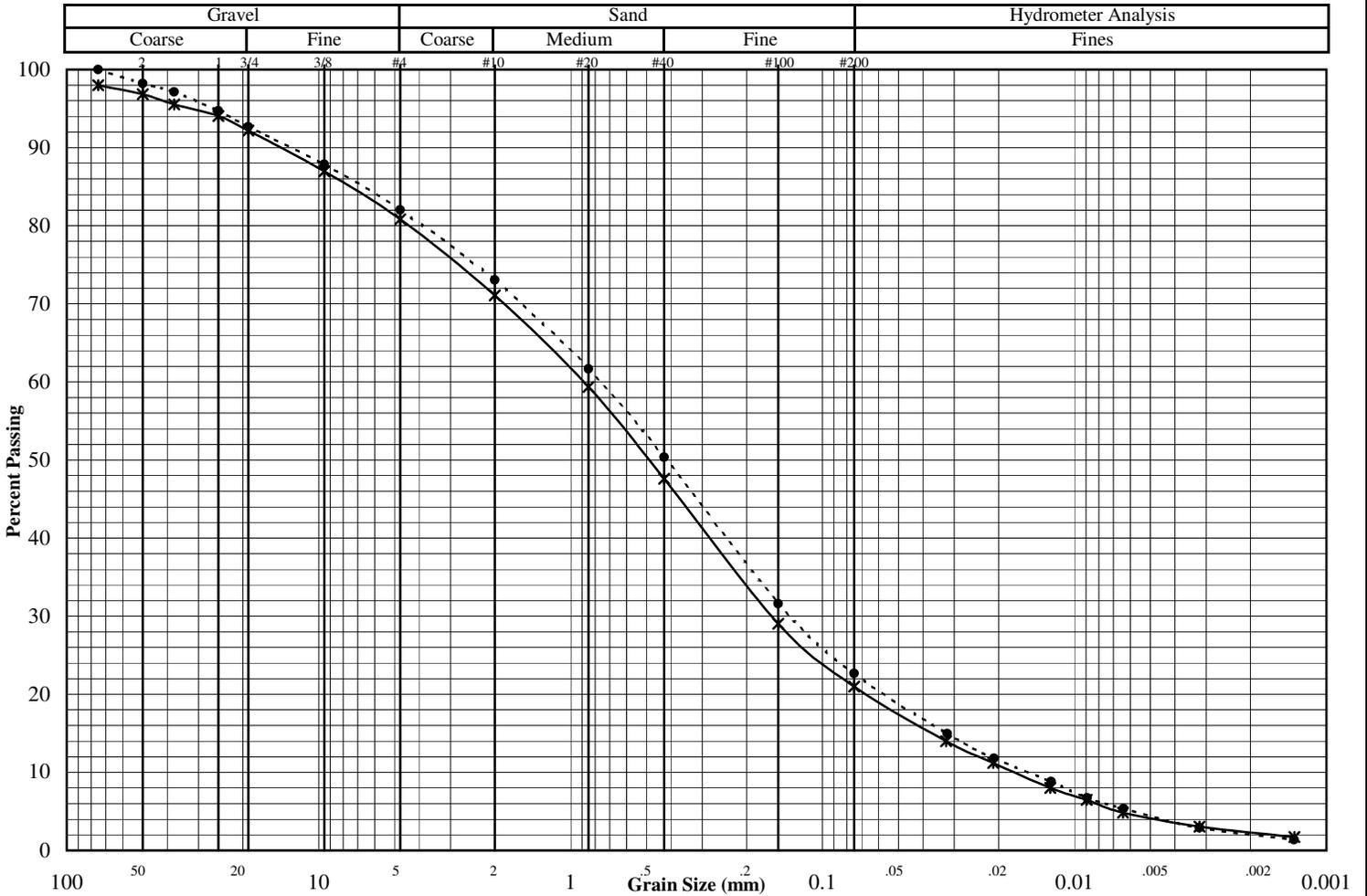
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.030	33.0				
0.019	27.8				
0.012	21.4				
0.009	16.7				
0.006	12.3				
0.003	6.3				
0.001	2.7				

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Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/5/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/6/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-04	07-0209	10-15	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
● RS-04	07-0203	15-20	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
◇				



	Other Tests		
	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP	NP	
Plastic Limit	NP	NP	
Plasticity Index	NP	NP	
Water Content	10.9	13.5	
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*	
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	Percent Passing		
	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	32700.0	30183.0	
2"	96.8	98.2	
1.5"	95.6	97.1	
1"	94.1	94.7	
3/4"	92.2	92.7	
3/8"	87.0	87.9	
#4	80.8	82.0	
#10	71.1	73.0	
#20	59.4	61.7	
#40	47.6	50.3	
#100	29.0	31.6	
#200	21.0	22.7	

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

All 3" gravel passed 3.5" sieve

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/5/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/6/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-04	07-0209	10-15	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
Spec 2	RS-04	07-0203	15-20	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

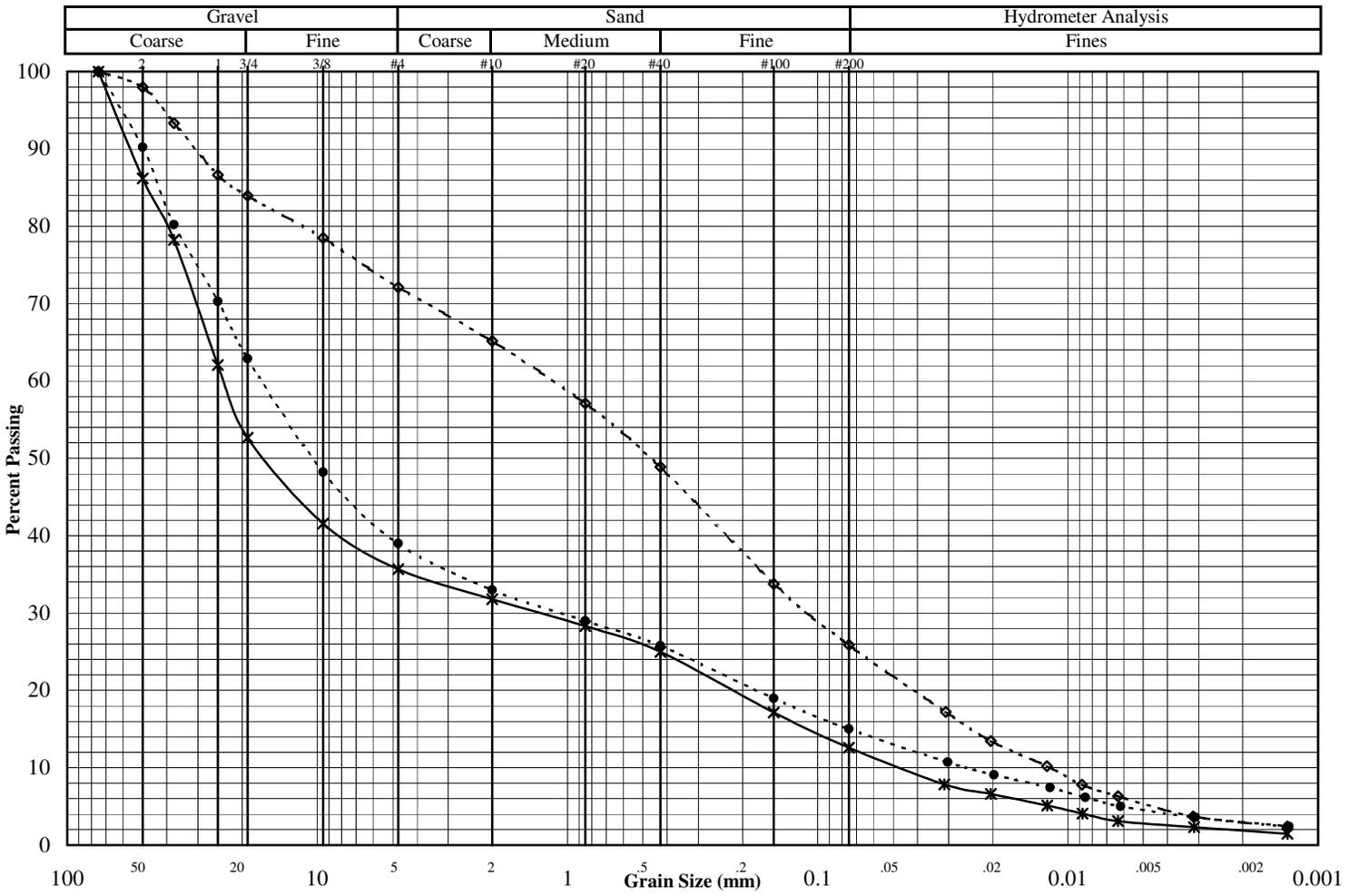
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.032	14.0	0.032	14.9		
0.021	11.2	0.021	11.8		
0.012	8.0	0.012	8.8		
0.009	6.5	0.009	6.7		
0.006	4.8	0.006	5.3		
0.003	3.0	0.003	2.9		
0.001	1.7	0.001	1.4		

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **6428**

Project:	Polymet	Test Date:	4/5/08
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	4/6/08

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	RS-05A	07-0231	10-11.5	Bag	Silty Gravel w/sand (GM)
●	RS-05A	07-0246	11.5-13	Bag	Silty Gravel w/sand (GM)
◇	RS-05A	07-0215	6-11.5	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)



	Other Tests			Percent Passing						
	*	●	◇	*	●	◇	*	●	◇	
Liquid Limit	NP	14.3	NP	Mass (g)	13128.0	8983.6	25133.5	D <sub>60</sub>		
Plastic Limit	NP	13.1	NP	2"	86.2	90.2	98.0	D <sub>30</sub>		
Plasticity Index	NP	1.2	NP	1.5"	78.2	80.2	93.3	D <sub>10</sub>		
Water Content	7.2	6.6	12.0	1"	62.1	70.3	86.6	C <sub>u</sub>		
Dry Density (pcf)				3/4"	52.6	62.9	83.9	C <sub>c</sub>		
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*	2.66*	3/8"	41.5	48.2	78.5	Remarks: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div>		
Porosity				#4	35.7	39.0	72.1			
Organic Content				#10	31.8	33.0	65.2			
pH				#20	28.3	29.0	57.1			
Shrinkage Limit				#40	25.0	25.8	48.9			
Penetrometer				#100	17.1	19.0	33.8			
Qu (psf)				#200	12.6	15.0	25.9			
(* = assumed)										

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	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-05A	07-0231	10-11.5	Bag	Silty Gravel w/sand (GM)
Spec 2	RS-05A	07-0246	11.5-13	Bag	Silty Gravel w/sand (GM)
Spec 3	RS-05A	07-0215	6-11.5	Bulk	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)

### Hydrometer Data

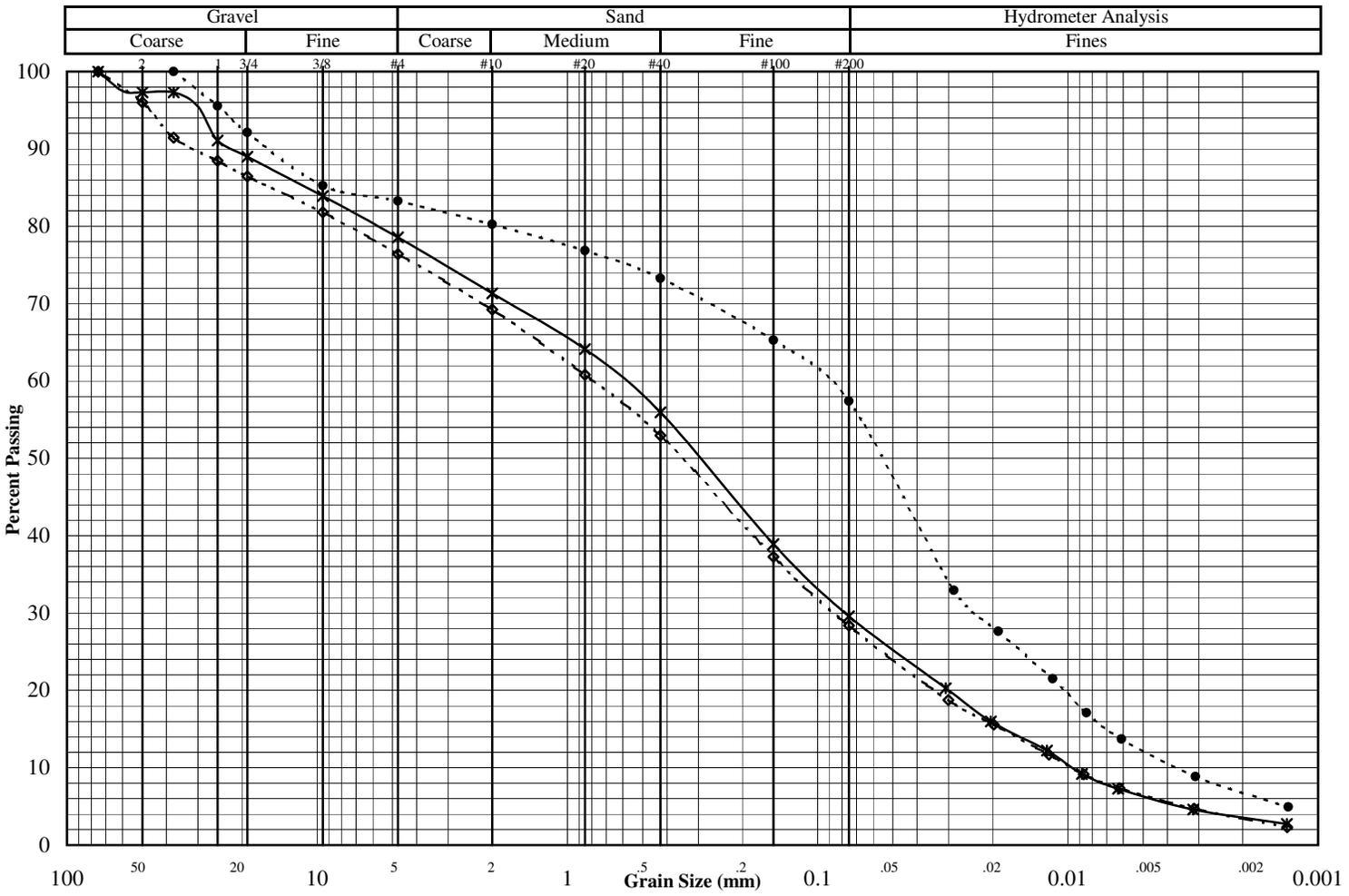
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.031	7.9	0.030	10.7	0.031	17.2
0.020	6.6	0.020	9.1	0.020	13.5
0.012	5.1	0.012	7.4	0.012	10.2
0.009	4.1	0.009	6.2	0.009	7.8
0.006	3.1	0.006	5.0	0.006	6.3
0.003	2.3	0.003	3.6	0.003	3.7
0.001	1.5	0.001	2.4	0.001	2.4

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Project: Polymet	Test Date: 4/8/08
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Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-06A/RS-06R	07-0223	10-15	Bag	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
● RS-06A/RS-06R	07-0339	3.5-7.5	Bulk	Sandy Silt w/Gravel (ML/CL-ML)
◇ RS-06A/RS-06R	07-0333	7.5-10	Bulk	Silty Sand w/gravel (SM)



	*	●	◇
<b>Other Tests</b>			
Liquid Limit	NP	17.8	14.6
Plastic Limit	NP	14.7	13.9
Plasticity Index	NP	3.1	0.7
Water Content	6.8	13.9	8.2
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*	2.66*
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			
(* = assumed)			

	*	●	◇
<b>Percent Passing</b>			
Mass (g)	8572.8	19468.0	28067.2
2"	97.3		96.0
1.5"	97.3	100.0	91.5
1"	91.1	95.6	88.5
3/4"	89.0	92.1	86.4
3/8"	83.9	85.2	81.8
#4	78.6	83.3	76.4
#10	71.3	80.3	69.2
#20	64.1	76.8	60.8
#40	55.9	73.3	52.9
#100	38.9	65.3	37.3
#200	29.6	57.4	28.4

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

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	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-06A/RS-06R	07-0223	10-15	Bag	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
Spec 2	RS-06A/RS-06R	07-0339	3.5-7.5	Bulk	Sandy Silt w/Gravel (ML/CL-ML)
Spec 3	RS-06A/RS-06R	07-0333	7.5-10	Bulk	Silty Sand w/gravel (SM)

### Hydrometer Data

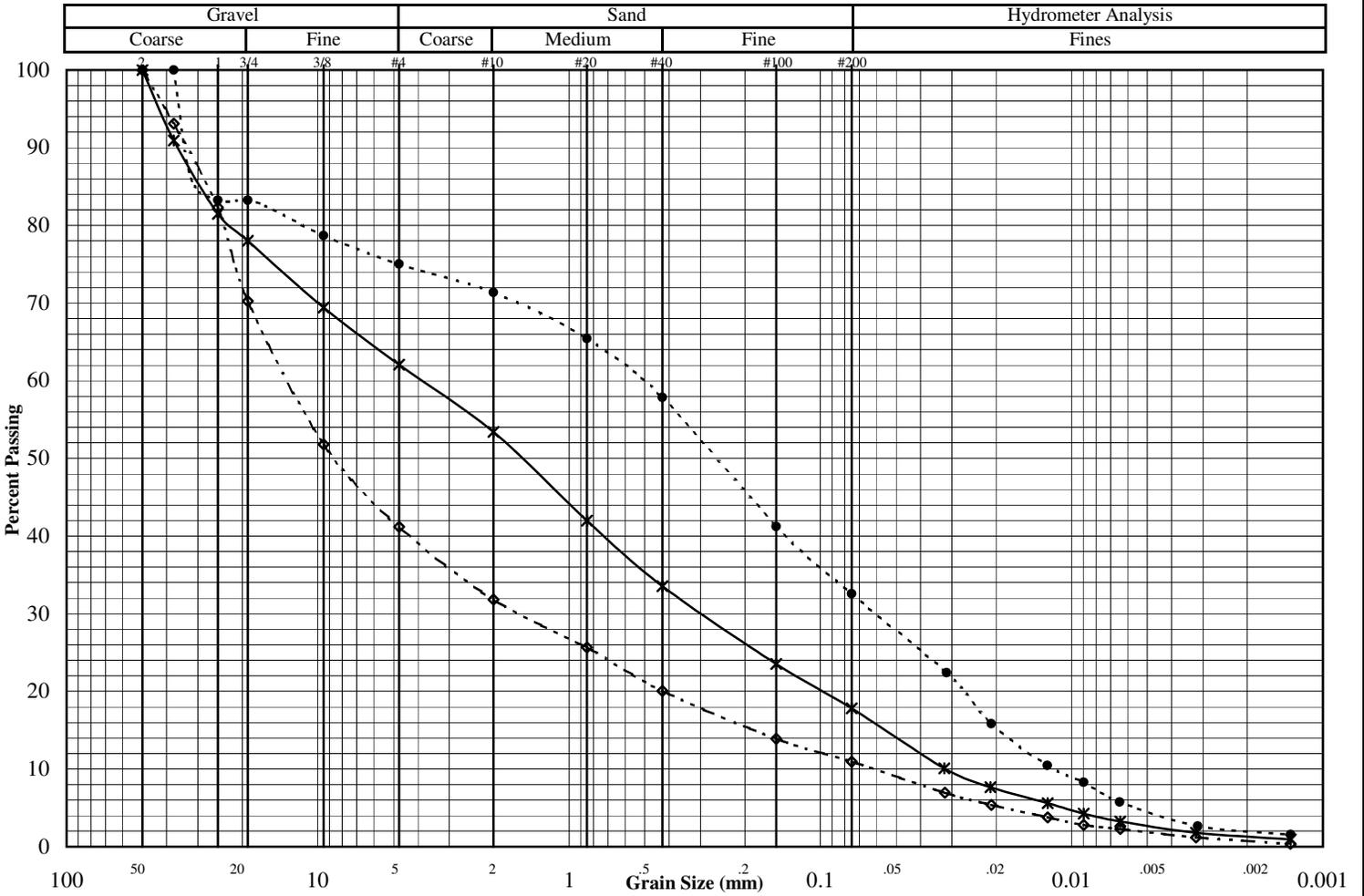
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.031	20.3	0.029	33.0	0.030	18.7
0.020	16.0	0.019	27.6	0.020	15.6
0.012	12.2	0.012	21.5	0.012	11.7
0.009	9.2	0.008	17.1	0.009	9.1
0.006	7.3	0.006	13.7	0.006	7.4
0.003	4.6	0.003	8.9	0.003	4.7
0.001	2.7	0.001	4.9	0.001	2.3

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	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	RS-07	07-0235	2-5	Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
●	RS-07	07-0233	0-2	Bag	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
◇	RS-07	07-0245	10-11	Bag	Sandy Gravel w/Silt (GP-GM)



	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP	NP	NP
Plastic Limit	NP	NP	NP
Plasticity Index	NP	NP	NP
Water Content	19.8		9.5
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*	2.66*
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	2436.9	1080.4	2410.2
2"	100.0		100.0
1.5"	90.9	100.0	93.1
1"	81.5	83.2	82.3
3/4"	78.0	83.2	70.2
3/8"	69.4	78.7	51.8
#4	62.1	75.0	41.2
#10	53.4	71.3	31.8
#20	42.0	65.4	25.7
#40	33.5	57.8	20.0
#100	23.5	41.2	13.9
#200	17.8	32.6	10.9

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

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	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-07	07-0235	2-5	Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 2	RS-07	07-0233	0-2	Bag	Silty Sand w/Gravel (SM)
Spec 3	RS-07	07-0245	10-11	Bag	Sandy Gravel w/Silt (GP-GM)

### Hydrometer Data

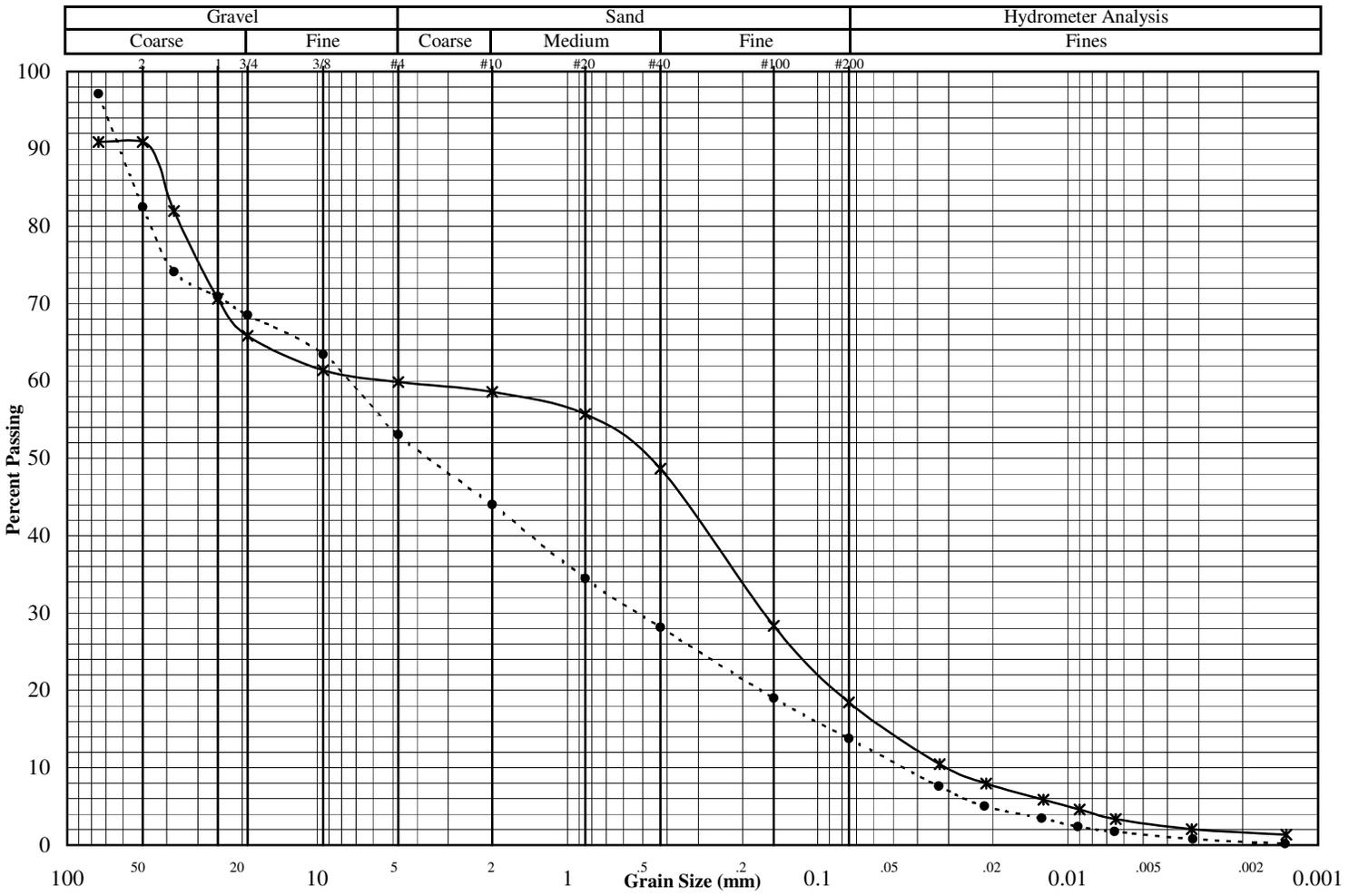
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.032	10.1	0.031	22.4	0.032	7.0
0.021	7.7	0.021	15.8	0.021	5.4
0.012	5.6	0.013	10.5	0.012	3.8
0.009	4.2	0.009	8.3	0.009	2.8
0.006	3.3	0.006	5.7	0.006	2.3
0.003	1.8	0.003	2.6	0.003	1.2
0.001	0.9	0.001	1.6	0.001	0.4

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Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-07/RS-07R	07-0397	2-3	Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
● RS-07/RS-07R	07-0381	6-10	Bulk	Sandy Silty Gravel (GM)
◇				



	Other Tests			Percent Passing					
	*	●	◇	*	●	◇	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit	NP	NP		Mass (g)	7005.2	27047.0			
Plastic Limit	NP	NP		2"	90.9	82.5	D <sub>60</sub>		
Plasticity Index	NP	NP		1.5"	82.0	74.1	D <sub>30</sub>		
Water Content	24.8	8.7		1"	70.6	70.9	D <sub>10</sub>		
Dry Density (pcf)				3/4"	65.8	68.5	C <sub>u</sub>		
Specific Gravity	2.66*	2.66*		3/8"	61.4	63.4	C <sub>c</sub>		
Porosity				#4	59.9	53.0	Remarks: All 3" gravel passed 3.5" sieve		
Organic Content				#10	58.6	44.0			
pH				#20	55.7	34.5			
Shrinkage Limit				#40	48.6	28.1			
Penetrometer				#100	28.4	19.0			
Qu (psf)				#200	18.4	13.8			
(* = assumed)									

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	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-07/RS-07R	07-0397	2-3	Bag	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 2	RS-07/RS-07R	07-0381	6-10	Bulk	Sandy Silty Gravel (GM)
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

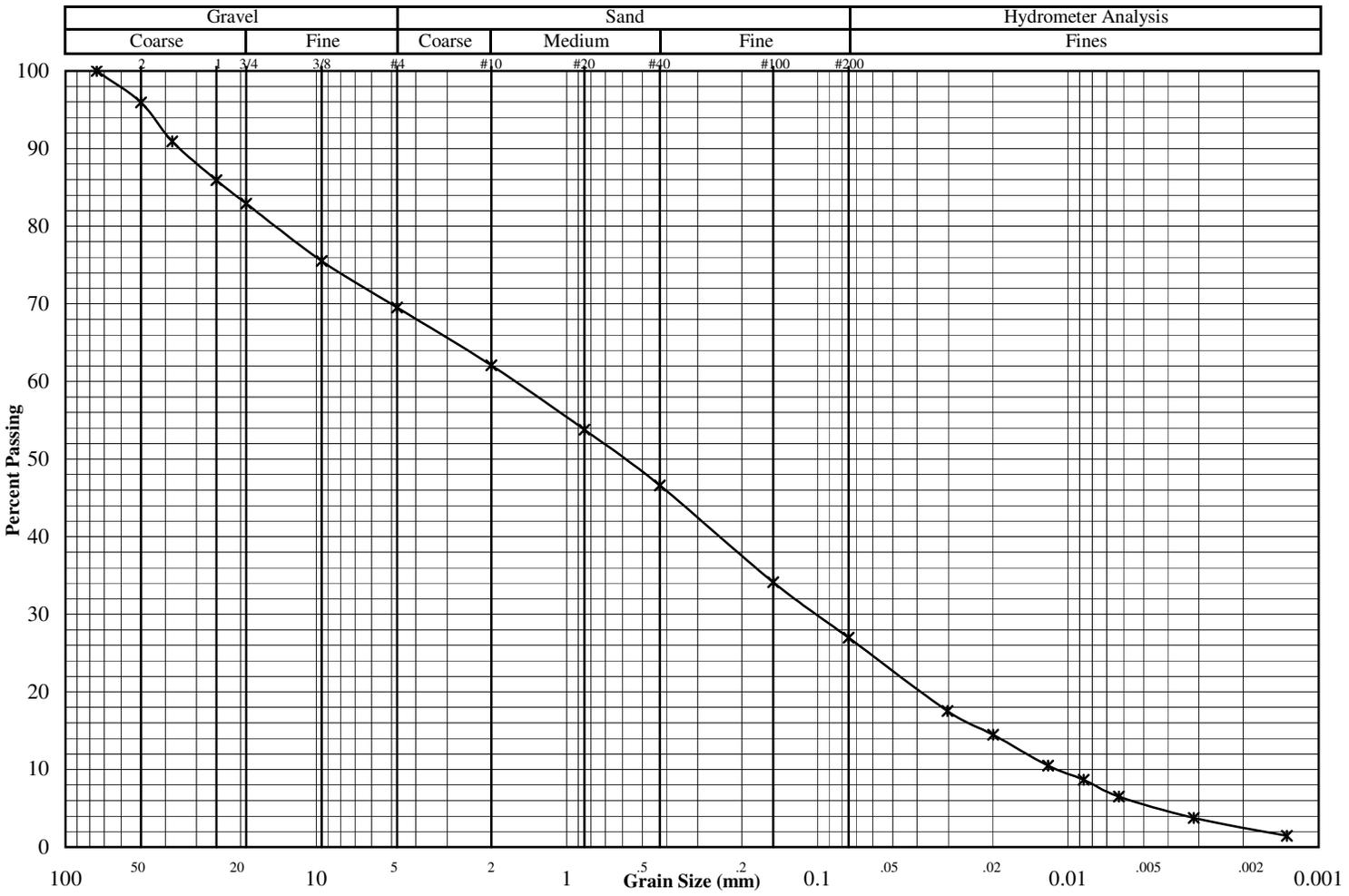
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.033	10.5	0.033	7.6		
0.021	7.9	0.022	5.0		
0.013	5.9	0.013	3.5		
0.009	4.6	0.009	2.4		
0.006	3.3	0.007	1.8		
0.003	2.1	0.003	0.8		
0.001	1.3	0.001	0.2		

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Project: Polymet	Test Date: 4/10/08
Reported To: Barr Engineering Company	Report Date: 4/11/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-08A	07-0384	5-11	Bulk	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
●				
◇				



	Other Tests			Mass (g)	Percent Passing			
	*	●	◇		*	●	◇	
Liquid Limit	NP			29052.2				D <sub>60</sub>
Plastic Limit	NP			2"	95.9			D <sub>30</sub>
Plasticity Index	NP			1.5"	90.9			D <sub>10</sub>
Water Content	9.7			1"	85.9			C <sub>u</sub>
Dry Density (pcf)				3/4"	82.9			C <sub>c</sub>
Specific Gravity	2.66*			3/8"	75.5			Remarks: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div>
Porosity				#4	69.5			
Organic Content				#10	62.1			
pH				#20	53.8			
Shrinkage Limit				#40	46.6			
Penetrometer				#100	34.1			
Qu (psf)				#200	27.0			
(* = assumed)								

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	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-08A	07-0384	5-11	Bulk	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 2					
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

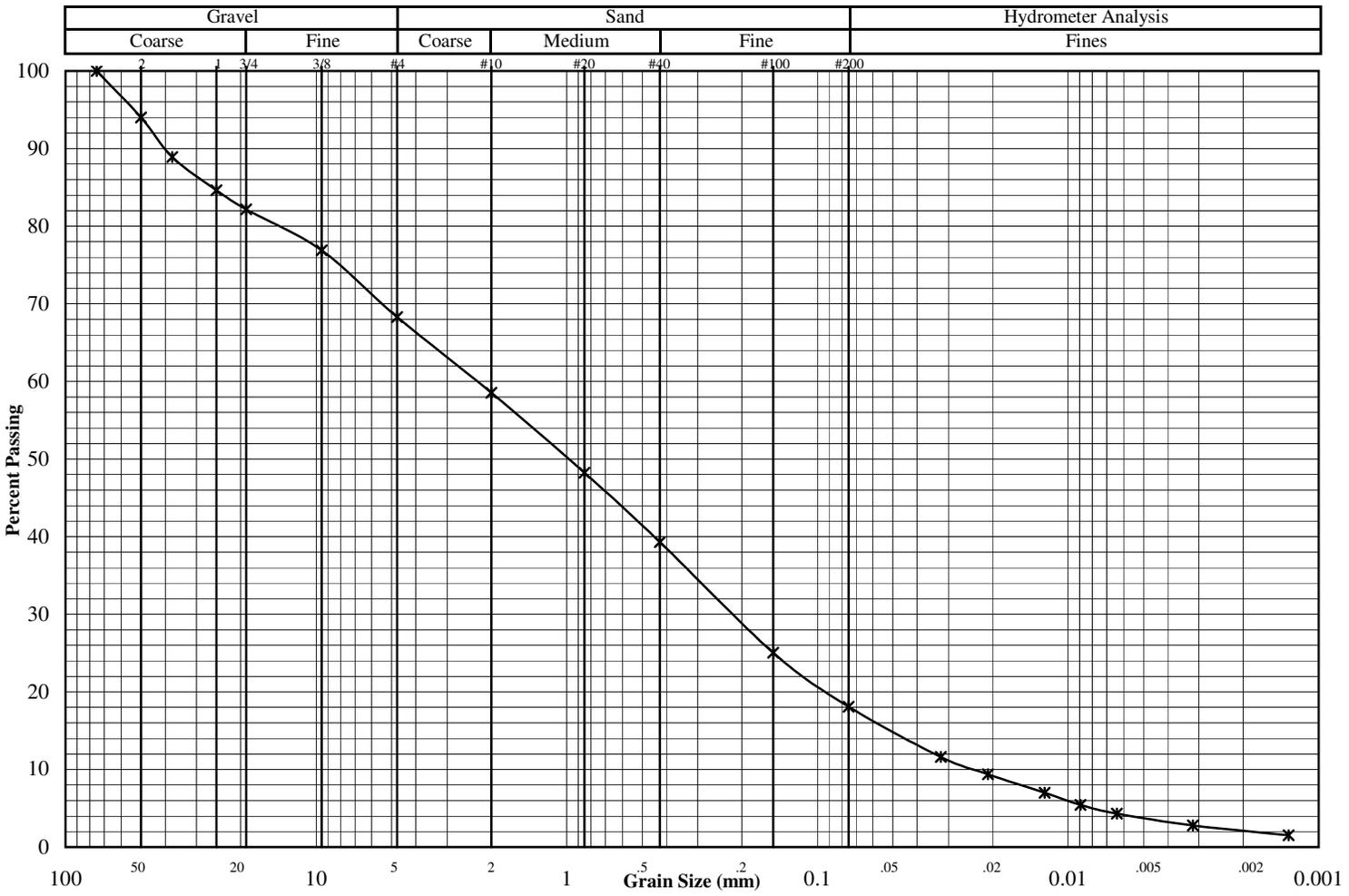
Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.030	17.5				
0.020	14.5				
0.012	10.5				
0.009	8.7				
0.006	6.5				
0.003	3.8				
0.001	1.5				

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Project: Polymet	Test Date: 4/9/08
Reported To: Barr Engineering Company	Report Date: 4/14/08

Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
* RS-09	07-0210	1-7	Bulk	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
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	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
Spec 1	RS-09	07-0210	1-7	Bulk	Gravelly Silty Sand (SM)
Spec 2					
Spec 3					

### Hydrometer Data

Specimen 1		Specimen 2		Specimen 3	
Diameter (mm)	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing	Diameter	% Passing
0.032	11.6				
0.021	9.4				
0.012	7.0				
0.009	5.4				
0.006	4.3				
0.003	2.8				
0.001	1.5				

**Attachment E**

**Overburden Geotechnical Investigation - Boring Logs and Material Testing Data Sheets**



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## Technical Memorandum

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**From:** Vicki Hagberg, EIT  
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**Subject:** 2010 Polymet Geotechnical Investigation  
**Date:** August 16, 2010  
**Project:** 23/69-0C29.09

This document summarizes the work completed during the 2010 geotechnical investigation and overburden characterization within the overburden and Category 1 (CAT 1) waste rock stockpile area at the proposed Polymet NorthMet mine site near Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota. The purpose of the work was to further characterize the soil stratigraphy and strength characteristics within the proposed CAT 1 stockpile area.

Exploratory borings with standard penetration testing (SPT) were completed by American Engineering Testing (AET) at each of four drilling sites: J003, J010, J027, and J037. Boring locations are shown on the Boring Locations diagram included in the appendix to this memorandum. Using the information from the SPT borings, thinwall samples were collected from new offset boreholes at J003, J010, and J027. Pressuremeter tests were then also completed in new offset boreholes. Thinwall sample collection and pressuremeter testing were not completed at J037 because of the shallow depth to auger refusal. Drilling was completed between February 16 and February 26, 2010. In-laboratory geotechnical testing was completed on the soil samples at Soil Engineering Testing (SET) in April and May, 2010. Drilling observation and test data analysis was completed by Barr Engineering (Barr) and is summarized in the balance of this memorandum.

### Soil Characteristics

SPT borings were completed at four locations to investigate the soil stratigraphy within the overburden and CAT 1 waste rock stockpile area. The borings were completed to auger refusal which correlated to the expected depth to bedrock as provided by PolyMet. Two-foot SPT samples were driven every 2.5 feet, and samples were logged using the USCS soil classification system and saved in jars for testing.

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Index and strength testing were completed on the soils encountered. The boring logs and test results are included in the appendix. SPT sampling and the laboratory testing indicated that there are three general soil types at the CAT 1 stockpile area: peat, silt, and silty sand with clay and gravel (silty sand). The silt and silty sand are glacial till materials with varying amounts of clay, silt, sand, and gravel. In addition, a small quantity of topsoil and fill material were encountered on site but are considered to be minor components of the site geology. The characteristics of the three soil types are described in the sections below. However, based on the small number of borings completed within the CAT 1 stockpile area, it should not be assumed that these borings fully describe the soil conditions between borings. It is quite likely that the stratigraphy is variable and that additional soil types may occur on site. A summary of the soil test results is provided in the following table.

**Soil Parameters Summary Table**

Material	Sat. Unit Weight [pcf]	Moist Unit Weight [pcf]	Dry Unit Weight [pcf]	Permeability [ft/s]	Permeability [cm/s]	Soil Shear Strength			
						ESSA (drained)		USSA (undrained)	
						Cohesion [psf]	Friction Angle [deg.]	Cohesion [psf]	Friction Angle [deg.]
Peat	75 <sup>1</sup>	66 <sup>2</sup>	15 <sup>3</sup>	1.18E-08 <sup>4</sup>	3.60E-07 <sup>4</sup>	500 <sup>1</sup>	0 <sup>1</sup>	280 <sup>5</sup>	0 <sup>5</sup>
Silt	126 <sup>7</sup>	126 <sup>2</sup>	101 <sup>3</sup>	3.28E-09 <sup>1</sup>	1.00E-07 <sup>1</sup>	580 <sup>8</sup>	0 <sup>8</sup>	580 <sup>5</sup>	0 <sup>5</sup>
Silty Sand	155 <sup>1</sup>	150 <sup>2</sup>	139 <sup>3</sup>	1.69E-08 <sup>4</sup>	5.15E-07 <sup>4</sup>	0 <sup>6</sup>	38.5 <sup>6</sup>	0 <sup>6</sup>	35.3 <sup>6</sup>

Notes:

1. Assumed value
2. Calculated as  $(1 + [\text{average moisture content \% of soil type}]) \times [\text{dry unit weight of soil type}]$
3. Average dry unit weight value from test data
4. Geometric mean of permeability test values
5. Calculated as  $0.5 \times (\text{unconfined compressive strength})$  from test data
6. Minimum of consolidated undrained triaxial (CIU) with pore pressure measurements test failure envelopes.
7. Calculated as  $(1 + [\text{average moisture content \% of soil type}]) \times [\text{dry unit weight of soil type}]$ . Assumes soil is saturated as tested.
8. Drained case assumed to be the same as the undrained case.

As indicated in the table above, two types of Soil Shear Strength are reported, corresponding to the two types of stability analyses typically performed for stockpiles of this type: the Undrained Strength Stability Analysis (USSA) and the Effective Stress Stability Analysis (ESSA). The USSA is performed to analyze the case in which loading or unloading is applied rapidly and excess porewater pressures do not have sufficient time to dissipate during shearing. This scenario typically applies to loading from, for example, stockpile construction where the loading takes place quickly. It is often referred to as the “end-of-construction” case. The ESSA is performed to account for much slower loading or unloading, or no external loading, in which the drained shear strength of the materials is mobilized and no shear-induced

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porewater pressures are developed. For example, a stockpile after porewater pressures have dissipated from construction is best analyzed using the ESSA method. For this reason, the ESSA is often referred to as the “long term” case. Testing was completed to analyze the soil strength under both of these conditions. In addition, consolidation and soil elasticity parameters were also evaluated by lab and pressuremeter testing of the soils. Soil test results are described in greater detail in the following paragraphs.

**Peat**

Peat was encountered at the surface of borings J003 and J027. The peat layer at J003 was one foot thick and was frozen at the time of drilling, so testing was not completed on peat samples from boring J003. The peat layer at J027 was approximately 7 feet thick and was generally sapric (highly decomposed) as classified in the boring logs provided by AET. The peat layer was characterized by N-values ranging from 1 to 2 indicating the layer is very soft and loose. The organic content of the peat ranged from 40.6% to 52.8% and the moisture content ranged from 287.3% to 404.6% as tested by SET. The dry density of the peat ranged from 12.8 to 16.9 pounds per cubic foot.

In addition to the SPT information and index testing, strength, consolidation, and permeability testing was also completed on peat samples. Unconfined strength testing (ASTM D2166) resulted in an unconfined compressive strength of the peat of 560 psf and corresponding undrained shear strength of 280 psf. Permeability testing on the peat resulted in saturated hydraulic conductivity at  $1.18 \times 10^{-8}$  ft/s ( $3.60 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/s).

Consolidation testing on the peat at boring J027 resulted in the following parameters: preconsolidation pressure ( $P_c$ ) = 500 psf, compression index ( $C_c$ ) = 2.82, and recompression index ( $C_r$ ) = 0.50. During consolidation testing, the maximum displacement limit was reached during the 8000 psf loading sequence. The consolidation parameters and the results of the test indicate that the peat would

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1 N-value is used to correlate to undrained strength of a soil. N-values are the sum of the 6-12” and 12-18” blow counts. The 0-6” and 18-24” blow counts are not included in the N-value.

2 Cohesion is the same as undrained shear strength in the mohr-coulomb soil model used to describe the failure envelopes of the soil encountered. The terms “shear strength” and “cohesion” are used interchangeably. This is an undrained strength value, not a drained strength value.

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consolidate/settle significantly under the load of a large stockpile. If the peat layer is left unexcavated beneath the stockpile, consolidation would likely be of large magnitude and continue over a long period of time. The amount of consolidation would also be dependent on the depth of the peat formation beneath the stockpile area. Detailed consolidation modeling would be necessary to further evaluate the extent of the consolidation of a peat layer beneath the CAT 1 stockpile. The in-laboratory test results and boring logs for the peat and other soils encountered during the exploration are included in the appendix of this report.

**Silt**

Silt was encountered beneath the peat at borings J003 and J027 and beneath the fill material at boring J010. The silt layer was generally less than one foot thick and contained some organic material, although less than the peat. The silt also contained some sand and clay. The N-values in the silt layer ranged from 5 to 8 indicating that the layer is soft. The silt layer at J027 was too thin to provide valuable testing results. The moisture content ranged from 21.8% to 27.6% and 67.4% of the soil passed the #200 sieve in the grain size distribution test by SET. The dry density of the silt ranged from 97 to 105.2 pounds per cubic foot.

In addition to the SPT information and index testing, strength, consolidation, and permeability testing was also completed on the silt samples. Unconfined strength testing (ASTM D2166) resulted in an unconfined compressive strength of the peat of 1,160 psf and corresponding undrained shear strength of 580 psf. Permeability testing was not completed on the silt because of the small amount of material encountered while drilling.

Consolidation testing on the silt at boring J003 resulted in the following parameters: preconsolidation pressure ( $P_c$ ) = 3200 psf, compression index ( $C_c$ ) = 0.155, and recompression index ( $C_r$ ) = 0.02. These results indicate that the silt will consolidate much less than the peat under the same loading, however, some consolidation would be expected to occur. Consolidation of the silt layer would also be limited by the thin thickness of the soil layer as encountered while drilling. Detailed consolidation modeling would be necessary to further evaluate the extent of the consolidation of a silt layer beneath the CAT 1 stockpile. Laboratory test results and boring logs are included in the appendix of this report.

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**Silty Sand**

Silty sand was encountered at all borings conducted during the 2010 geotechnical exploration. The silty sand layer made up the bulk of the soil found on the site and extended from the bottom of the silt layer to bedrock. The silty sand is a well graded material which also contained clay, gravel and cobbles. Gravel and cobbles were encountered during drilling at all boring locations. The N-values in the silty sand layer ranged from 14 blows to hammer refusal with an average of 42 blows indicating that the layer is generally very stiff and dense. The moisture content ranged from 6.3% to 9.8% with an average of 7.7%; however these values are likely lower than insitu moisture contents because of the sandy nature of the soil and related moisture losses while sampling. A saturated unit weight of 155 pcf was assumed for the silty sand which corresponds to an insitu moisture content of 11%. This saturated moisture content was considered reasonable given the dense nature of the silty sand and the results of the completed moisture content tests. The dry density of the silty sand ranged from 133.8 to 143.3 pounds per cubic foot. Seven grain size distributions were completed on this soil type with 21.1% to 34.9% of the soil passing the #200 sieve.

In addition to the SPT information and index testing, strength, consolidation, compaction, and permeability testing was also completed on the silty sand samples. Consolidated undrained triaxial tests with porepressure measurements (ASTM D4767) were completed to evaluate shear strength of the silty sand samples in both drained (ESSA) and undrained (USSA) conditions. The effective friction angle of the silty sand ranged from 38.5° to 42.4°. A friction angle of 38.5° indicates a relatively strong soil. The undrained friction angle ranged from 35.3° to 42.2° which correlates well with undrained shear strength and blow count correlations in the silty sand zone (Kulhawy and Mayne, 1990), which ranged from 33.4° to 46.1°. An undrained friction angle of 35.3° indicates a relatively strong soil. It is assumed that the silty sand will not have a significant cohesive strength in either the drained or undrained case because of the relatively low amount of clay encountered in the soil samples.

Permeability testing on the silty sand resulted in saturated hydraulic conductivity ranging from  $1.02 \times 10^{-8}$  ft/s to  $3.08 \times 10^{-8}$  ft/s ( $3.11 \times 10^{-7}$  to  $9.39 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/s) with a geometric mean of  $1.69 \times 10^{-8}$  ft/s ( $5.15 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/s). In addition to the permeability testing, a standard proctor test was completed on a composite sample of silty sand from borings J003, J010 and J027 since a bulk sample was not available to complete the proctor test. The resulting optimum moisture was 6.7% and the maximum density was 138.7 pcf after corrections for gravel in the samples.

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Pressuremeter testing (ASTM 4719) was conducted in the silty sand zone to determine the elastic behavior of the soil under load. Pressuremeter testing requires good preparation of the borehole, so testing in soil with gravel and cobbles is difficult because of the difficulty in maintaining a clean and stable borehole. Fourteen tests were attempted with six having marginal or good data, as interpreted by AET. Good tests were completed to full yield and the borehole preparation was considered of the best quality. Marginal tests may have reached yield but did not reach soil failure or the soil may have been slightly disturbed. Poor tests occurred at locations with poor borehole quality and are not included in this report. The elastic modulus of the soil ( $E_0$ ) generally increases with depth. The results of the pressuremeter testing are summarized in the table below and are included in the report appendix.

**Pressuremeter Test Results**

<b>Boring</b>	<b>Top Depth [ft]</b>	<b>Bottom Depth [ft]</b>	<b>Test Quality</b>	<b><math>E_0</math> [psf]</b>
J003	3.1	4.6	Marginal	26,000
J003	6.1	7.6	Marginal	102,000
J003	6.6	8.4	Good	278,000
J003	21.6	23.4	Good	528,000
J003	13.8	15.3	Marginal	152,000
J003	16.9	18.7	Good	458,000

Laboratory test results and boring logs are included in the appendix of this report.

**Conclusion**

The 2010 geotechnical investigation at the Polymet overburden and Category 1 (CAT 1) waste rock stockpile was completed in February, 2010. Exploratory borings with Standard Penetration Testing were completed at four locations in the CAT 1 stockpile area. Thinwall sample collection and pressuremeter testing were completed in offset borings at three of the four locations. Boring logs and pressuremeter testing were completed by AET and are attached to the appendix of this report.

Laboratory testing and analysis was conducted from April through June, 2010, and the results are summarized in this document. Laboratory testing included moisture testing, organic content, grain size distribution, consolidation testing, unconfined compressive strength testing, triaxial testing, permeability testing, and standard proctor testing, and the results are included in the appendix of this document.

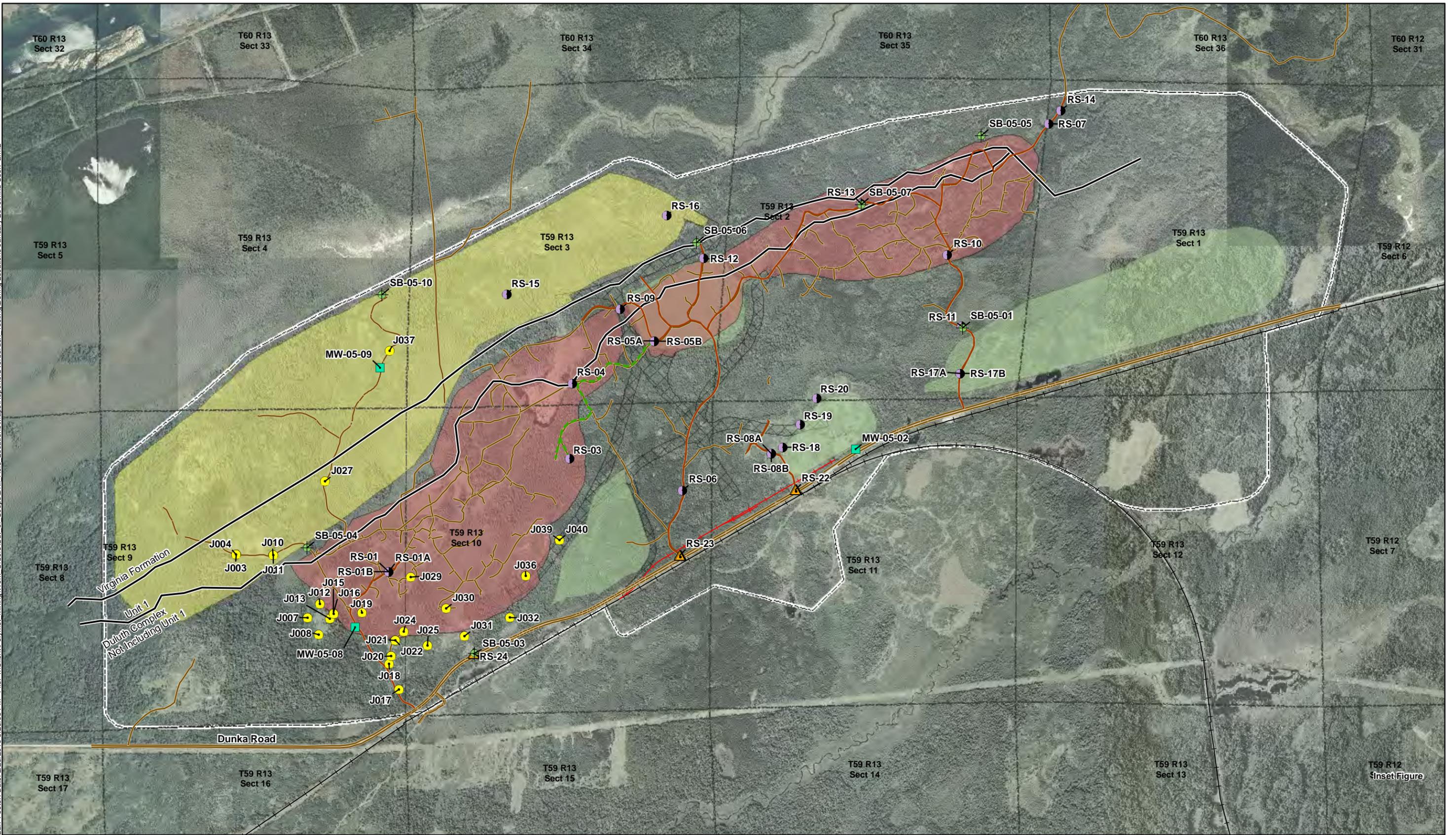
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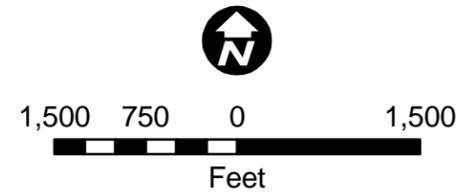
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Peat, silt, and silty sand were the three general soil types encountered while drilling at the CAT 1 stockpile. The peat is very soft and loose and has low shear strength. The peat is also expected to consolidate greatly under stockpile loading. A thin layer of silt underlies the peat layer. The silt is soft with relatively low shear strength and a moderate capacity to consolidate limited by the thin layer thickness. The silty sand makes up the bulk of the soil encountered on site and also includes some clay, gravel and cobbles. The silty sand is generally very stiff and has high shear strength. The silty sand is unlikely to consolidate substantially.

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| Drill Holes - 2010                  | All Trails           | 2010 Mine Site Alternative (Year 20) |
| Sorption Sampling Locations - 2009  | Tracked Vehicle Only | Mine Pits                            |
| Rotasonic Drilling Locations - 2008 | Existing Roads       | Permanent Stockpile                  |
| Monitoring Wells - 2005             | Future Railroad      | Reclaimed Stockpile                  |
| Soil Borings - 2005                 | Existing Railroad    | Haul Roads                           |
|                                     | Project Boundary     |                                      |



**BORING LOCATIONS**  
**JANUARY 2010**  
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June 14, 2010

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Re: Geotechnical Exploration Summary  
PolyMet Northmet  
Overburden Geotechnical Investigation  
Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota  
AET Project #07-04509  
Barr Project # 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

## **Introduction**

We understand Barr Engineering (Barr) is providing project management and design services for the PolyMet Mining Corporation (PolyMet) Northmet mine near Hoyt Lakes, Minnesota. On behalf of PolyMet, Barr authorized American Engineering Testing, Inc. (AET) to provide geotechnical exploration services to aid in site planning.

AET recently completed a subsurface exploration program at the PolyMet Northmet mine site. The exploration consisted of advancing four standard penetration test borings, collecting Pitcher tube samples, collecting thinwall tube samples, and performing pressuremeter testing in offset borings. This report presents the results of the subsurface exploration.

## **Scope of Services**

Our scope of services, as authorized by Barr, consisted of:

- Arranging for the location of existing public underground utilities through the Gopher State One-Call Service;
- Performing four standard penetration test (SPT) borings at locations denoted in the field by Barr;
- Performing Pitcher tube and thinwall tube sampling in offset borings at each of the four SPT boring locations;
- Performing eleven pressuremeter tests in offset borings at each of the four SPT boring locations (fourteen attempts were made at performing pressuremeter tests due to difficult soil conditions); and,

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- Providing a data report that includes logs of the test borings, pressuremeter test results and a summary of subsurface conditions encountered in the test borings.

### **Test Boring and Sampling Methods**

SPT borings and offset borings for pressuremeter testing were advanced in unconsolidated material using 3.25" inner diameter hollow stem augers (HSA). Offset borings for Pitcher tube and thinwall tube sampling were performed using 6.625" inner diameter HSA. Soil samples were obtained from the SPT borings using a standard split spoon sampler in general accordance with ASTM designation D1586. Pitcher tube and thinwall tube samples were collected in general accordance with ASTM D1587.

Pressuremeter testing was performed in general accordance with ASTM 4719. The borehole was prepared using a clean-out tube (COT) consisting of one or more of the following: a standard split-spoon sampler, a California sampler, and a slotted casing.

Boreholes were abandoned per Minnesota Department of Health regulations. Soil classifications were performed on recovered samples in general accordance with ASTM designation D2488.

Barr provided the test boring GPS coordinates and elevations for the SPT borings to AET, which are shown on the SPT boring logs. The GPS coordinates reference Minnesota State Plane North, NAD83. Elevations reference mean sea level.

### **Results**

#### *Geologic Conditions*

Logs of the test borings are attached to this letter for your review. Please refer to the logs for information concerning soil layering, soil classification, geologic description, and moisture. Relative density or consistency based on the standard penetration resistance (N-value) recorded while using with the standard split spoon sampler is also noted on the SPT and pressuremeter testing logs.

In general, the SPT borings indicate swamp deposits, existing fill, or topsoil overlying till. Swamp deposits were encountered in test borings J003 and J027, and extend to depths of approximately 2½ and 7½ feet, respectively. The swamp deposits consist of peat and organic silt. The existing fill encountered in test boring J010 consists of mixtures of silty sand, gravel, organic sandy silt and/or organic silty sand. The silty sand encountered between the depths of approximately 2½ and 5 feet in test boring J003 may be existing fill (tailings). Approximately 6 inches of topsoil was encountered in J037, and is composed of organic silt.

Till was encountered in all of the test borings. The till is comprised of sandy silt, silty sand, silty sand with gravel, and gravelly silty sand. The recorded N-values indicate the till is mainly medium dense to dense. Apparent cobbles were encountered in the till in test boring J027 and J037.

Auger refusal was encountered in each of the SPT borings at depths between 18.7 and 24.5 feet. Pitcher sampler refusal was also encountered in offset test boring J027-T at a depth of 15.1 feet. Refusal may have been caused by cobbles, boulders, or bedrock. Rock coring would need to be performed to document the cause of auger refusal.

#### *Water Levels*

Groundwater was encountered in test borings J003, J010, J027, J003-P, J010-P, and J010-T at depths between 3 and 11 feet below the existing ground surface. Groundwater levels representing static conditions cannot be reliably measured unless measurements are taken from piezometers installed at the site.

#### *Pressuremeter Tests*

A total of 14 pressuremeter tests were attempted. The pressuremeter test data from three tests is considered complete, while the data is considered marginal for three tests, and the data from the remaining eight tests is considered poor. The poor tests are mainly the result of an enlarged and irregular borehole caused by the sloughing of cobbles and dense sandy soils encountered in the borings. The enlarged borehole prevented the pressuremeter probe from making suitable contact with the borehole during the application of a test. The results of the completed and marginal tests are attached to this report.

#### *Laboratory Tests*

Laboratory testing was performed by others on SPT, Pitcher, and thinwall samples selected by Barr. The laboratory test results were provided to AET, and are attached to this report. Results that could be included in the logs are shown in the respective columns on the right side of the logs.

#### **Limitations**

The data derived through the exploration program have been used to develop our opinions about the subsurface conditions at your site. However, because no exploration program can reveal totally what is in the subsurface, conditions between borings and between samples and at other times, may differ from conditions described in this report. The exploration we conducted identified subsurface conditions only at those points where we took samples or observed ground water conditions. Depending on the sampling methods and sampling

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frequency, every soil layer may not be observed, and some materials or layers which are present in the ground may not be noted on the boring logs.

If conditions encountered during construction differ from those indicated by our borings, it may be necessary to alter our conclusions and recommendations, or to modify construction procedures, and the cost of construction may be affected.

The extent and detail of information about the subsurface condition are directly related to the scope of the exploration. It should be understood, therefore, that more detailed information can be obtained by means of additional exploration.

### **Standard of Care**

Our services for your project have been conducted to those standards considered normal for services of this type at this time and location. Other than this, no warranty, either expressed or implied, is intended.

### **Closing**

We trust that this letter report provides you with the information that you need at this time. If you should have any questions, or if you require additional information, please contact AET at 628-1518.

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### Attachments:

- Test Boring Logs (9 pages)
- Boring Log Notes (1 page)
- Unified Soil Classification System (1 page)
- Geologic Terminology (1 page)
- Pressuremeter Test Results (6 pages)
- Laboratory Testing Results Provided by Barr (25 pages)



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

Northing: 734386 Easting: 2895852

BARR JOB NO: 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J003 (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: <b>1617.0</b> MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS				
							WC	% ORG	LL	PL	%-#200
1	PEAT, fibric with wood, black, frozen above about 12" (PT)	SWAMP DEPOSIT		F/M	SU		329	40.6			
2	ORGANIC SILT, dark brown (OL)										
3	SILTY SAND, fine grained, brown (SM) (may be tailings)	COARSE ALLUVIUM OR TAILINGS	5	M	SS	11					
4	SILTY SAND, dark gray, moist (SM) (may be tailings)										
5	SANDY SILT, dark gray, moist with wet lenses (ML) (may be tailings)										
6	SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL, gray, loose, moist with wet lenses (SM)										
7	SILTY SAND, a little gravel, dark gray, moist with wet lenses, medium dense (SM)										
8		TILL	8	M/W	SS	11	25				67
9											
10											
11											
12											
13											
14											
14	SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL, dark gray, medium dense, moist with wet lenses, lens of wet fine to coarse grained sand with gravel from about 24.9-25.1' (SM)										
15											
16											
17											
18											
19											
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21											
22											
23											
24											
25											
26											
27											
27	<b>AUGER REFUSAL AT 27.0 FEET SAMPLER REFUSAL AT 27.1 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout		50/0.1'	W	SS	1					

*Laboratory test results on this log were provided by Barr; laboratory tests were performed by Soil Engineering Testing, Inc.*

DEPTH: DRILLING METHOD		WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS							NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	WATER LEVEL	
<b>0-27'</b>	<b>3.25" HSA</b>	<b>2/16/10</b>	<b>13:47</b>	<b>27.1</b>	<b>27.0</b>	<b>25.5</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>10.7</b>	
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/16/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>									



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AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J003-P (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS					
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200	
1	<p><i>See boring J003 for material description</i></p> <p>Marginal pressure meter test performed between 3.1 and 4.6 feet</p> <p>Marginal pressure meter test performed between 6.1 and 7.6 feet</p> <p>Poor pressure meter test performed between 10.8 and 12.3 feet</p> <p>Poor pressure meter test performed between 13.6 and 15.1 feet</p> <p>Poor pressure meter test performed between 17.6 and 19.1 feet</p> <p><b>END OF BORING AT 20.0 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout</p> <p><i>Offset 4' southeast of boring J003-T</i></p> <p><i>See borings J003-P2 and J003-P3</i></p>											
2												
3												
4				5	▼	COT						
5												
6				38								
7				28		COT						
8												
9												
10				32								
11												
12				32		COT						
13												
14				38								
15				24		COT						
16												
17				27								
18												
19				39		COT						
20												

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS							NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	WATER LEVEL	
<b>0-17'</b>	<b>3.25" HSA</b>	<b>2/24/10</b>	<b>8:45</b>	<b>16.0</b>	<b>None</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>3.0</b>	
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/24/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>									



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

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LOG OF BORING NO. **J003-P2 (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS					
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200	
1	<i>See boring J003 for material description</i>											
2												
3												
4												
5												
6												
7	Good pressure meter test performed between 6.6 and 8.4 feet											
8												
9												
10												
11												
12												
13												
14												
15												
16												
17												
18												
19												
20												
21	Good pressure meter test performed between 21.6 and 23.4 feet		20									
22												
23												
24												
25												
<b>END OF BORING AT 25.0 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout  <i>Offset 4' east of boring J003-P</i> <i>See borings J003-P and J003-P3</i>												

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS							NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
0-19½'	3.25" HSA	DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	WATER LEVEL	
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/24/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>									



**SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG**

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DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS				
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200
1	<i>See boring J003 for material description</i>										
2											
3											
4											
5											
6											
7											
8											
9											
10											
11	Poor pressure meter test performed between 10.8 and 12.3 feet  Marginal pressure meter test performed between 13.8 and 15.3 feet  Good pressure meter test performed between 16.9 and 18.7 feet				COT						
12											
13											
14											
15											
16											
17											
18											
19											
20											
<b>END OF BORING AT 20.3 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout  <i>Offset 4.5' north of J003-P</i> <i>See borings J003-P and J003-P2</i>											

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS							NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
<b>0-14½'</b>	<b>4.25" HSA</b>	DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	WATER LEVEL	
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/26/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>51</b>									



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AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J003-T (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS				
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	q <sub>u</sub> (psf)
1	3 Inch thinwall sample from 1.5 to 3.5 feet.				TW	21.5					
2											
3											
4	3 Inch thinwall sample from 5.0 to 7.0 feet.				TW	20.5	22	105			1160
5											
6											
7	Pitcher sampler from 10.0 to 13.0 feet.				TW	26.5	7	142			
8											
9											
10	Pitcher sampler from 15.0 to 18.0 feet.				TW	19	8	140			
11											
12											
13	Pitcher sampler from 20.0 to 23.0 feet.				TW	10.5					
14											
15											
16	<b>END OF BORING AT 23.0 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout										
17											
18											
19	<i>Laboratory test results on this log were provided by Barr; laboratory tests were performed by Soil Engineering Testing, Inc.</i>										
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21											
22											
23											

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS							NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
<b>0-20'</b>	<b>6 5/8" HSA</b>	DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	WATER LEVEL	
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/23/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>									



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# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

Northing: 734378 Easting: 2896460

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AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J010 (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: <b>1611.1</b> MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS				
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200
1	FILL, a mixture of silty sand with gravel and cobbles, and organic sandy silt with trace roots, brown and dark brown, frozen above about 12"	FILL		F/M	SU						
2	FILL, a mixture of silty sand, a little gravel, and slightly organic silty sand, dark brown and dark gray			M	SS	7					
3	SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL, brown, moist (SM)		79	M	SS	10	8			31	
4											
5											
6											
7											
8											
9	SILTY SAND, a little gravel, dark gray, moist, dense (SM)	TILL		M	SS	8				32	
10											
11											
12	SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL, dark gray, moist, very dense (SM)			M	SS	15					
13											
14											
15			47/0.5'	M	SS	7					
16			50/0.3'								
17											
18			9/0.5'	W	SS	10					
			23/0.5'								
			50/0.2'								
	Obstruction - possible bedrock	BEDROCK									
	<b>AUGER REFUSAL AT 18.7 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout										
	<i>Laboratory test results on this log were provided by Barr; laboratory tests were performed by Soil Engineering Testing, Inc.</i>										

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS							NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	WATER LEVEL	
<b>0-18.7'</b>	<b>3.25" HSA</b>								
		<b>2/16/10</b>	<b>9:45</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>15.0</b>	---	<b>3.8</b>	
		<b>2/16/10</b>	<b>10:35</b>	<b>18.2</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>15.0</b>	---	<b>4.4</b>	
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/16/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>									



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

BARR JOB NO: 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J010-P (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS						
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200		
1	<i>See boring J010 for material description</i>												
2													
3													
4													
5													
6		Poor pressure meter test performed between 5.8 and 7.3 feet		50	▼	COT							
7				46									
8				13/0.5'		COT							
9				13/0.5'									
10				50/0.2'		COT							
11				42		COT							
12													
13													
14													
15				117		COT							
16		<b>END OF BORING AT 16.0 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout											

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS						NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	
		2/25/10	13:00	8.0	5.0	8.0	---	7.0
BORING COMPLETED: 2/25/10								
DR: LA LG: TDD Rig: 27C								



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

BARR JOB NO: 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J010-T (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS							
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200			
1														
2														
3	3 inch thinwall sample from 2.0 to 4.0 feet.													
4														
5														
6														
7	Pitcher sampler from 5.5 to 8.0 feet				M	TW	23	9	127					
8								10	134					
9	Pitcher sampler from 8.0 to 10.5 feet				M	TW	14	14	123					
10														
11														
12														
13														
14														
15	Pitcher sampler from 14.0 to 16.5 feet				M	TW	23							
16														
<p><b>END OF BORING AT 16.5 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout</p> <p><i>Offset 5.5' south-southwest of boring J010</i></p> <p><i>Laboratory test results on this log were provided by Barr; laboratory tests were performed by Soil Engineering Testing, Inc.</i></p>														

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS							NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	WATER LEVEL	
<b>0-14'</b>	<b>6 5/8" HSA</b>	<b>2/22/10</b>	<b>10:25</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>3.5</b>	
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/22/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>									



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

Northing: 735628 Easting: 2897327

BARR JOB NO: 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

AET JOB NO: **07-04509** LOG OF BORING NO. **J027 (p. 1 of 1)**  
 PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: <u>1607.6</u> MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS				
							WC	% ORG	LL	PL	%-#200
1	PEAT, sapric, dark brown, frozen above about 12" (PT)	SWAMP DEPOSIT		F/M	SU						
2			2	M	SS	2					
3				<1	M	SS	8	287	52.8		
4											
5											
6											
7	ORGANIC SILT, brown (OL)										
8	SILTY SAND, a little gravel, dark gray, wet (SM)	TILL		M/W	SS	9					
9	SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL, dark gray, moist with wet lenses, medium dense (SM)			20	M/W	SS	1				
10											
11											
12											
13	GRAVELLY SILTY SAND, apparent cobbles, dark gray, moist, medium dense to very dense (SM)			24	M/W	SS	8	7			21
14											
15											
16											
17											
18											
19											
20											
21	SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL, apparent cobbles, gray, moist to wet (SM)		48	M	SS	8					
22											
23			15	W	SS	18	7			31	
24											
AUGER REFUSAL AT 24.5 FEET SAMPLER REFUSAL AT 24.6 FEET Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout			70/0.1	W	SS	1					

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DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS						NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	
0-24½'	3.25" HSA	2/17/10	11:18	24.6	24.5	17.8	---	14.0
		2/17/10	11:36	24.6	24.5	17.7	---	11.7
BORING COMPLETED: 2/17/10								
DR: LA LG: TDD Rig: 27C								



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

BARR JOB NO: 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J027-P (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS					
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200	
1	<i>See boring J027 for material description</i>											
2												
3												
4												
5												
6												
7												
8												
9												
10												
11												Poor pressure meter test performed between 10.2 and 11.7 feet
12												
13												Poor pressure meter test performed between 12.6 and 14.1 feet
14												
15												<b>END OF BORING AT 15.0 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout  <i>See boring J027-P2</i>

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS						NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/25/10</b>								
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>								



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

BARR JOB NO: 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J027-P2 (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS				
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200
1	<i>See boring J027 for material description</i>										
2											
3											
4											
5											
6											
7											
8											
9											
10											
11											
12											
	<p>Poor pressure meter test performed between 9.1 and 10.9 feet</p> <p><b>END OF BORING AT 12.5 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with auger cuttings <i>Offset 5' southeast of boring J027-P</i> <i>See boring J027-P</i></p>										

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS						NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG	
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL		WATER LEVEL
<b>0-4½'</b>	<b>3.25" HSA</b>								
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/25/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>51</b>									



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

BARR JOB NO: 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J027-T (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS				
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	q <sub>u</sub> (psf)
1	3 inch thinwall sample from 1.5 to 3.5 feet.				TW	1					
2											
3											
4	3 inch thinwall sample from 4.5 to 6.5 feet.				TW	14.5	310	17			560
5											
6											
7	Pitcher sampler from 10.0 to 12.5 feet				TW	22	9	140			
8											
9											
10	Pitcher sampler from 15.0 to 15.1 feet				TW	0					
11											
12											
13	<b>PITCHER SAMPLER REFUSAL AT 15.1 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout  <i>Offset 8' northeast of boring J027</i>  <i>Laboratory test results on this log were provided by Barr; laboratory tests were performed by Soil Engineering Testing, Inc.</i>										
14											
15											

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS						NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG	
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL		WATER LEVEL
<b>0-15'</b>	<b>6 5/8" HSA</b>								
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/19/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>									



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

BARR JOB NO: 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J027-T2 (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: _____ MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS				
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200
1	3 inch thinwall sample from 1.5 to 3.5 feet.				TW	13	405	13			
2											
3											
4											
5											
6											
7											
8											
9											
10											
11	Pitcher sampler from 10 to 13 feet				TW	0					
12											
13	<p><b>END OF BORING AT 13.0 FEET</b>            Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout and auger cuttings</p> <p><i>Offset 7' north-northeast of boring J027-T</i></p> <p><i>Laboratory test results on this log were provided by Barr; laboratory tests were performed by Soil Engineering Testing, Inc.</i></p>										

DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS						NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG	
		DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL		WATER LEVEL
<b>0-10'</b>	<b>6 5/8" HSA</b>								
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/19/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>									



# SUBSURFACE TEST BORING LOG

Northing: 737624 Easting: 2898282

BARR JOB NO: 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

AET JOB NO: **07-04509**

LOG OF BORING NO. **J037 (p. 1 of 1)**

PROJECT: **PolyMet Northmet Mine; Hoyt Lakes, MN**

DEPTH IN FEET	SURFACE ELEVATION: <b>1609.8</b> MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	GEOLOGY	N	MC	SAMPLE TYPE	REC IN.	FIELD & LABORATORY TESTS								
							WC	% #4	LL	PL	%-#200				
1	ORGANIC SILT WITH ROOTS, dark brown, frozen (OL)	TOPSOIL													
2	SANDY SILT, trace roots, apparent boulders, brown, frozen above about 10" (ML)			F/M	SU										
3	SILTY SAND, a little gravel, apparent cobbles, trace roots, brown and orangish brown mottled, moist (SM)		14	M	SS	11									
4	SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL, grayish brown, moist (SM)														
5	SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL, grayish brown, moist (SM)		50/0.5'			0									
6		TILL	50/0.4'												
7	SILTY SAND, a little gravel, apparent cobbles, grayish brown, moist, medium dense (SM)		25/0.5'	M	SS	4									
8			50/0.1'												
9															
10			25	M	SS	10	8							33	
11															
12			25/0.5'	M	SS	6									
	Obstruction - possible weathered rock <b>AUGER REFUSAL AT 12.9 FEET</b> Borehole backfilled with neat cement grout	WEATHERED ROCK	50/0.2'												

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DEPTH:	DRILLING METHOD	WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENTS							NOTE: REFER TO THE ATTACHED SHEETS FOR AN EXPLANATION OF TERMINOLOGY ON THIS LOG
<b>0-12.9'</b>	<b>3.25" HSA</b>	DATE	TIME	SAMPLED DEPTH	CASING DEPTH	CAVE-IN DEPTH	DRILLING FLUID LEVEL	WATER LEVEL	
		<b>2/17/10</b>	<b>14:25</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>---</b>	<b>None</b>	
BORING COMPLETED: <b>2/17/10</b>									
DR: <b>LA</b> LG: <b>TDD</b> Rig: <b>27C</b>									

## BORING LOG NOTES

### DRILLING AND SAMPLING SYMBOLS

Symbol	Definition
B,H,N:	Size of flush-joint casing
CA:	Crew Assistant (initials)
CAS:	Pipe casing, number indicates nominal diameter in inches
CC:	Crew Chief (initials)
COT:	Clean-out tube
DC:	Drive casing; number indicates diameter in inches
DM:	Drilling mud or bentonite slurry
DR:	Driller (initials)
DS:	Disturbed sample from auger flights
FA:	Flight auger; number indicates outside diameter in inches
HA:	Hand auger; number indicates outside diameter
HSA:	Hollow stem auger; number indicates inside diameter in inches
LG:	Field logger (initials)
MC:	Column used to describe moisture condition of samples and for the ground water level symbols
N (BPF):	Standard penetration resistance (N-value) in blows per foot (see notes)
NQ:	NQ wireline core barrel
PQ:	PQ wireline core barrel
RD:	Rotary drilling with fluid and roller or drag bit
REC:	In split-spoon (see notes) and thin-walled tube sampling, the recovered length (in inches) of sample. In rock coring, the length of core recovered (expressed as percent of the total core run). Zero indicates no sample recovered.
REV:	Revert drilling fluid
SS:	Standard split-spoon sampler (steel; 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ " is inside diameter; 2" outside diameter); unless indicated otherwise
SU	Spin-up sample from hollow stem auger
TW:	Thin-walled tube; number indicates inside diameter in inches
WASH:	Sample of material obtained by screening returning rotary drilling fluid or by which has collected inside the borehole after "falling" through drilling fluid
WH:	Sampler advanced by static weight of drill rod and 140-pound hammer
WR:	Sampler advanced by static weight of drill rod
94mm:	94 millimeter wireline core barrel
▼:	Water level measured in borehole prior to abandonment
▽:	Interim water level measurement or estimated water level based on sample appearance

### TEST SYMBOLS

Symbol	Definition
CONS:	One-dimensional consolidation test
DEN:	Dry density, pcf
DST:	Direct shear test
E:	Pressuremeter Modulus, tsf
HYD:	Hydrometer analysis
LL:	Liquid Limit, %
LP:	Pressuremeter Limit Pressure, tsf
OC:	Organic Content, %
PERM:	Coefficient of permeability (K) test; F - Field; L - Laboratory
PL:	Plastic Limit, %
q <sub>p</sub> :	Pocket Penetrometer strength, tsf ( <u>approximate</u> )
q <sub>c</sub> :	Static cone bearing pressure, tsf
q <sub>u</sub> :	Unconfined compressive strength, psf
R:	Electrical Resistivity, ohm-cms
RQD:	Rock Quality Designation of Rock Core, in percent (aggregate length of core pieces 4" or more in length as a percent of total core run)
SA:	Sieve analysis
TRX:	Triaxial compression test
VSR:	Vane shear strength, remoulded (field), psf
VSU:	Vane shear strength, undisturbed (field), psf
WC:	Water content, as percent of dry weight
%-200:	Percent of material finer than #200 sieve

### STANDARD PENETRATION TEST NOTES

The standard penetration test consists of driving the sampler with a 140 pound hammer and counting the number of blows applied in each of three 6" increments of penetration. If the sampler is driven less than 18" (usually in highly resistant material), permitted in ASTM:D1586, the blows for each complete 6" increment and for each partial increment is on the boring log. For partial increments, the number of blows is shown to the nearest 0.1' below the slash.

The length of sample recovered, as shown on the "REC" column, may be greater than the distance indicated in the N column. The disparity is because the N-value is recorded below the initial 6" set (unless partial penetration defined in ASTM:D1586 is encountered) whereas the length of sample recovered is for the entire sampler drive (which may even extend more than 18").

**UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM**  
**ASTM Designations: D 2487, D2488**

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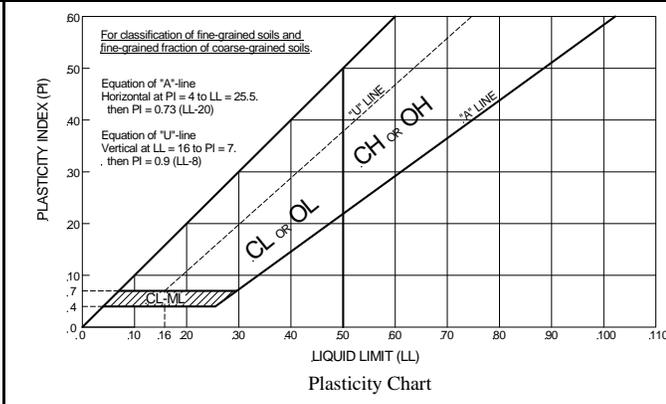
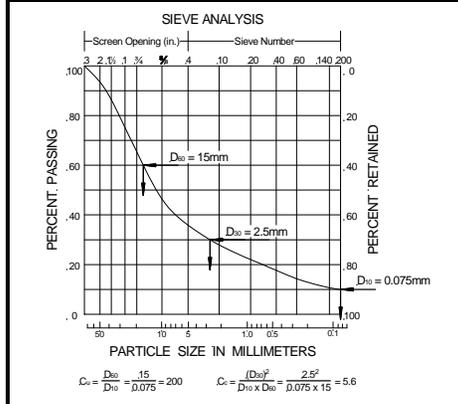


Criteria for Assigning Group Symbols and Group Names Using Laboratory Tests <sup>A</sup>				Soil Classification	
				Group Symbol	Group Name <sup>B</sup>
Coarse-Grained Soils More than 50% retained on No. 200 sieve	Gravels More than 50% coarse fraction retained on No. 4 sieve	Clean Gravels Less than 5% fines <sup>C</sup>	$Cu \geq 4$ and $1 \leq Cc \leq 3$ <sup>E</sup>	GW	Well graded gravel <sup>F</sup>
			$Cu < 4$ and/or $1 > Cc > 3$ <sup>E</sup>	GP	Poorly graded gravel <sup>F</sup>
	Sands 50% or more of coarse fraction passes No. 4 sieve	Clean Sands Less than 5% fines <sup>D</sup>	$Cu \geq 6$ and $1 \leq Cc \leq 3$ <sup>E</sup>	SW	Well-graded sand <sup>I</sup>
			$Cu < 6$ and $1 > Cc > 3$ <sup>E</sup>	SP	Poorly-graded sand <sup>I</sup>
	Gravels with Fines more than 12% fines <sup>C</sup>	Fines classify as ML or MH		GM	Silty gravel <sup>F,G,H</sup>
		Fines classify as CL or CH		GC	Clayey gravel <sup>F,G,H</sup>
Fine-Grained Soils 50% or more passes the No. 200 sieve  (see Plasticity Chart below)	Sils and Clays Liquid limit less than 50	inorganic	PI > 7 and plots on or above "A" line <sup>I</sup>	CL	Lean clay <sup>K,L,M</sup>
			PI < 4 or plots below "A" line <sup>I</sup>	ML	Silt <sup>K,L,M</sup>
		organic	Liquid limit - oven dried < 0.75 Liquid limit - not dried	OL	Organic clay <sup>K,L,M,N</sup> Organic silt <sup>K,L,M,O</sup>
	Sils and Clays Liquid limit 50 or more	inorganic	PI plots on or above "A" line	CH	Fat clay <sup>K,L,M</sup>
			PI plots below "A" line	MH	Elastic silt <sup>K,L,M</sup>
		organic	Liquid limit - oven dried < 0.75 Liquid limit - not dried	OH	Organic clay <sup>K,L,M,P</sup> Organic silt <sup>K,L,M,Q</sup>
Highly organic soil	Primarily organic matter, dark in color, and organic in odor		PT	Peat <sup>R</sup>	

**Notes**  
<sup>A</sup>Based on the material passing the 3-in (75-mm) sieve.  
<sup>B</sup>If field sample contained cobbles or boulders, or both, add "with cobbles or boulders, or both" to group name.  
<sup>C</sup>Gravels with 5 to 12% fines require dual symbols:  
 GW-GM well-graded gravel with silt  
 GW-GC well-graded gravel with clay  
 GP-GM poorly graded gravel with silt  
 GP-GC poorly graded gravel with clay  
<sup>D</sup>Sands with 5 to 12% fines require dual symbols:  
 SW-SM well-graded sand with silt  
 SW-SC well-graded sand with clay  
 SP-SM poorly graded sand with silt  
 SP-SC poorly graded sand with clay

$${}^E C_u = D_{60} / D_{10}, \quad C_c = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} \times D_{60}}$$

<sup>F</sup>If soil contains  $\geq 15\%$  sand, add "with sand" to group name.  
<sup>G</sup>If fines classify as CL-ML, use dual symbol GC-GM, or SC-SM.  
<sup>H</sup>If fines are organic, add "with organic fines" to group name.  
<sup>I</sup>If soil contains  $\geq 15\%$  gravel, add "with gravel" to group name.  
<sup>J</sup>If Atterberg limits plot is hatched area, soils is a CL-ML silty clay.  
<sup>K</sup>If soil contains 15 to 29% plus No. 200 add "with sand" or "with gravel", whichever is predominant.  
<sup>L</sup>If soil contains  $\geq 30\%$  plus No. 200, predominantly sand, add "sandy" to group name.  
<sup>M</sup>If soil contains  $\geq 30\%$  plus No. 200, predominantly gravel, add "gravelly" to group name.  
<sup>N</sup>PI  $\geq 4$  and plots on or above "A" line.  
<sup>O</sup>PI < 4 and plots below "A" line.  
<sup>P</sup>PI plots on or above "A" line.  
<sup>Q</sup>PI plots below "A" line.  
<sup>R</sup>Fiber Content description shown below.



**ADDITIONAL TERMINOLOGY NOTES USED BY AET FOR SOIL IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION**

Grain Size		Gravel Percentages		Consistency of Plastic Soils		Relative Density of Non-Plastic Soils	
Term	Particle Size	Term	Percent	Term	N-Value, BPF	Term	N-Value, BPF
Boulders	Over 12"	A Little Gravel	3% - 14%	Very Soft	less than 2	Very Loose	0 - 4
Cobbles	3" to 12"	With Gravel	15% - 29%	Soft	2 - 4	Loose	5 - 10
Gravel	#4 sieve to 3"	Gravelly	30% - 50%	Firm	5 - 8	Medium Dense	11 - 30
Sand	#200 to #4 sieve			Stiff	9 - 15	Dense	31 - 50
Fines (silt & clay)	Pass #200 sieve			Very Stiff	16 - 30	Very Dense	Greater than 50
				Hard	Greater than 30		
Moisture/Frost Condition (MC Column)		Layering Notes		Fiber Content of Peat		Organic/Roots Description (if no lab tests)	
D (Dry):	Absence of moisture, dusty, dry to touch.	Laminations:	Layers less than 1/2" thick of differing material or color.	Term	Fiber Content (Visual Estimate)	Soils are described as <i>organic</i> , if soil is not peat and is judged to have sufficient organic fines content to influence the soil properties. <i>Slightly organic</i> used for borderline cases.	
M (Moist):	Damp, although free water not visible. Soil may still have a high water content (over "optimum").	Lenses:	Pockets or layers greater than 1/2" thick of differing material or color.	Fibric Peat:	Greater than 67%	With roots:	Judged to have sufficient quantity of roots to influence the soil properties.
W (Wet/Waterbearing):	Free water visible intended to describe non-plastic soils. Waterbearing usually relates to sands and sand with silt.			Hemic Peat:	33 - 67%	Trace roots:	Small roots present, but not judged to be in sufficient quantity to significantly affect soil properties.
F (Frozen):	Soil frozen			Sapric Peat:	Less than 33%		

## **GEOLOGIC TERMINOLOGY (SOILS)**

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General categories of geologic deposits used, descriptive information and common soil types is as follows:

**FILL (F):** Soils, rock and/or waste products placed or disturbed by man rather than through geologic processes. Mixed soils are usually easy to identify. Uniform material is more difficult, and signs such as small inclusions, underlying topsoil, topography or knowledge of below grade improvements (e.g., basement backfill, utility trenches, etc.) may be needed to properly judge. When mixed condition is stratified horizontally, the soil may be a weathered natural soil rather than fill.

**TOPSOIL (TS):** Upper darker colored layer formed by weathering of inorganic soil and accumulation of organic material. Usually black, dark brown, dark gray or dark grayish brown. Often transitions from darker to lighter color.

**SLOPEWASH (SW):** Organic and/or inorganic materials (sometimes interlayered) washed from slopes and redeposited. Usually stratified. Will be located in depressed areas where they can be washed in from slopes. When topsoil layers are thick in depressed areas, there is a good chance the soil is slopewash.

**SWAMP DEPOSITS (SD):** Highly organic material (peats and organic clays) which are formed through accumulation of organic material under water. **Peat, Organic clay**

**COARSE ALLUVIUM (CA):** Sandy (and gravelly). Stratified. Deposited from fast moving waters in streams and rivers. Includes glacial outwash. **Sand, Sand with silt, Silty sand, Gravels**

**FINE ALLUVIUM (FA):** Clayey and/or silty. Stratified. Deposited from slow moving waters in streams, rivers, lakes and ponds. Includes glacial outwash. **Lean clay, Fat clay, Silty clay, Silt, Sandy silt**

**MIXED ALLUVIUM (MA):** Combination of Fine and Coarse Alluvium. **Clayey sand, Sandy lean clay**, interlayered CA/FA

**LACUSTRINE (LAC):** Fine grained lake bed deposits (lakes may or may not still be in existence). Usually in very flat topography. **Fat clay, Lean clay, Silty clay, Silt**

**LOESS (LOESS):** Uniform, non-stratified, silty material (or very fine sand) which is deposited by wind. Can include significant clay content, and grain contacts may be cemented by clay or calcareous (limestone/chalky) material. **Silt, Sandy silt, Silty clay, Lean clay**

**TILL (T):** Normally contains a wide range of grain sizes, from boulders through clay. Usually non-stratified (not sorted through water action). Deposited directly from glaciers. **Silty sand, Clayey sand, Sandy lean clay**, usually contains gravel

**WEATHERED TILL (WT):** Tills which have been altered by exposure to the action of frost, water, or chemicals. Often softer than underlying soils. May be stratified with varying colors/soil types due to filling in or other changes in frost lensed zones.

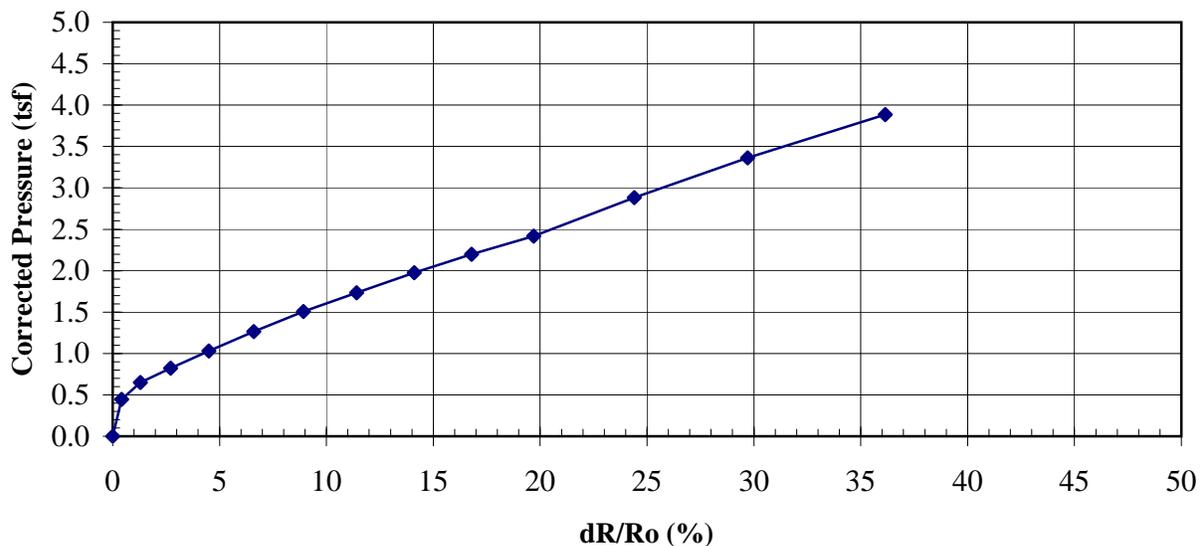
**COLLUVIUM (COL):** Dominantly gravel, boulders and rock slabs, sometimes intermixed or layered with soils. Deposited from gravity flow down hills or cliffs.

## PRESSUREMETER TEST RESULTS

PolyMet

AET No. 07-04509; Barr No. 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

### PRESSUREMETER CURVE



Boring No. : J003

$P_L$ (tsf) = 4.0

$E_o$ (tsf) = 13

$E_o / P_1^* = 3.4$

Depth (ft) : 3.1-4.6

$P_o$ (tsf) = 0.2

$N_{ave}$  (bpf) = 5

$E_o / N = 2.6$

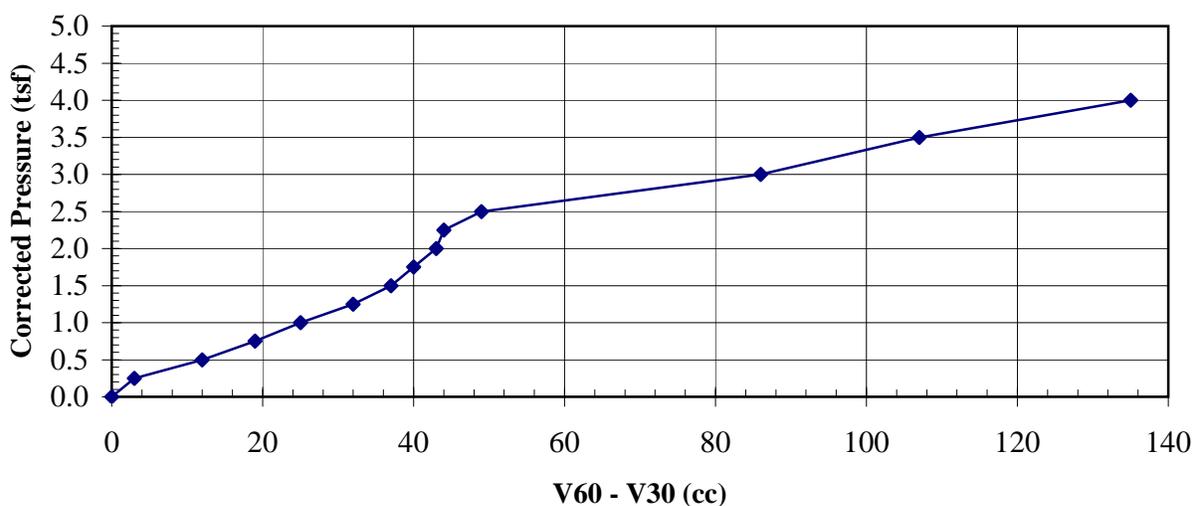
Probe : N1

$P_L^*$ (tsf) = 3.8

$P_y$ (tsf) = 2.3

$P_y / P_1^* = 0.59$

### YIELD PRESSURE CURVE



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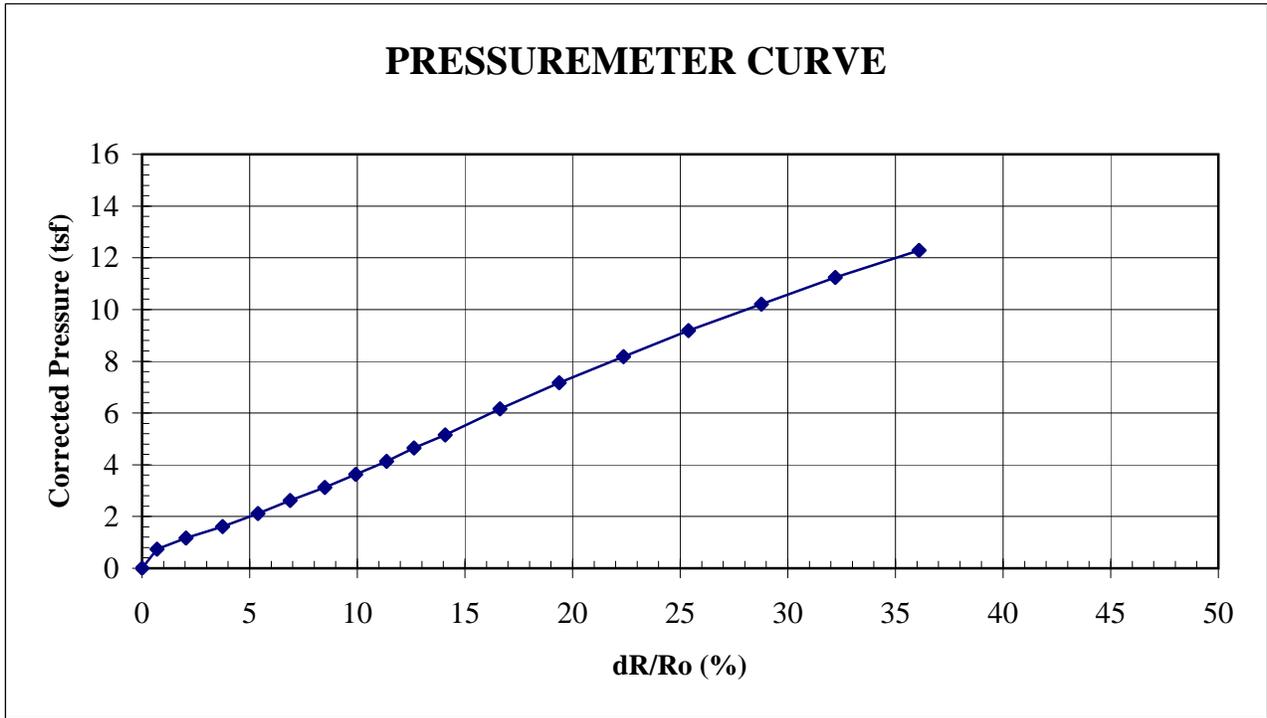
Points Used for  $E_o$  Calculation: 6 to 10

Marginal test; disturbed soil.

**PRESSUREMETER TEST RESULTS**

**PolyMet**

**AET No. 07-04509; Barr No. 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A**



**Boring No. : J003**

**P<sub>L</sub>(tsf) = 12.0**

**E<sub>0</sub>(tsf) = 51**

**E<sub>0</sub> / P<sub>1</sub>\* = 4.4**

**Depth (ft) : 6.1-7.6**

**P<sub>0</sub>(tsf) = 0.5**

**N<sub>ave</sub> (bpf) = 33**

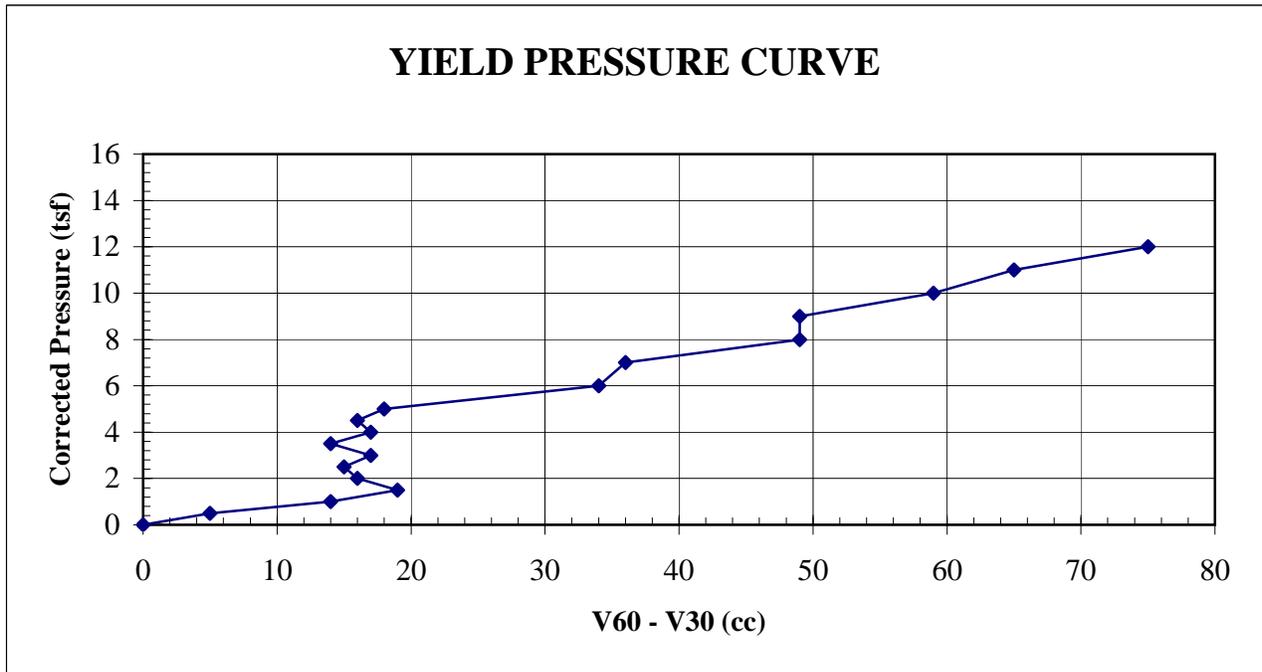
**E<sub>0</sub> / N = 1.5**

**Probe : N1**

**P<sub>L</sub>\* (tsf) = 11.5**

**P<sub>y</sub>(tsf) = 5.0**

**P<sub>y</sub> / P<sub>1</sub>\* = 0.43**



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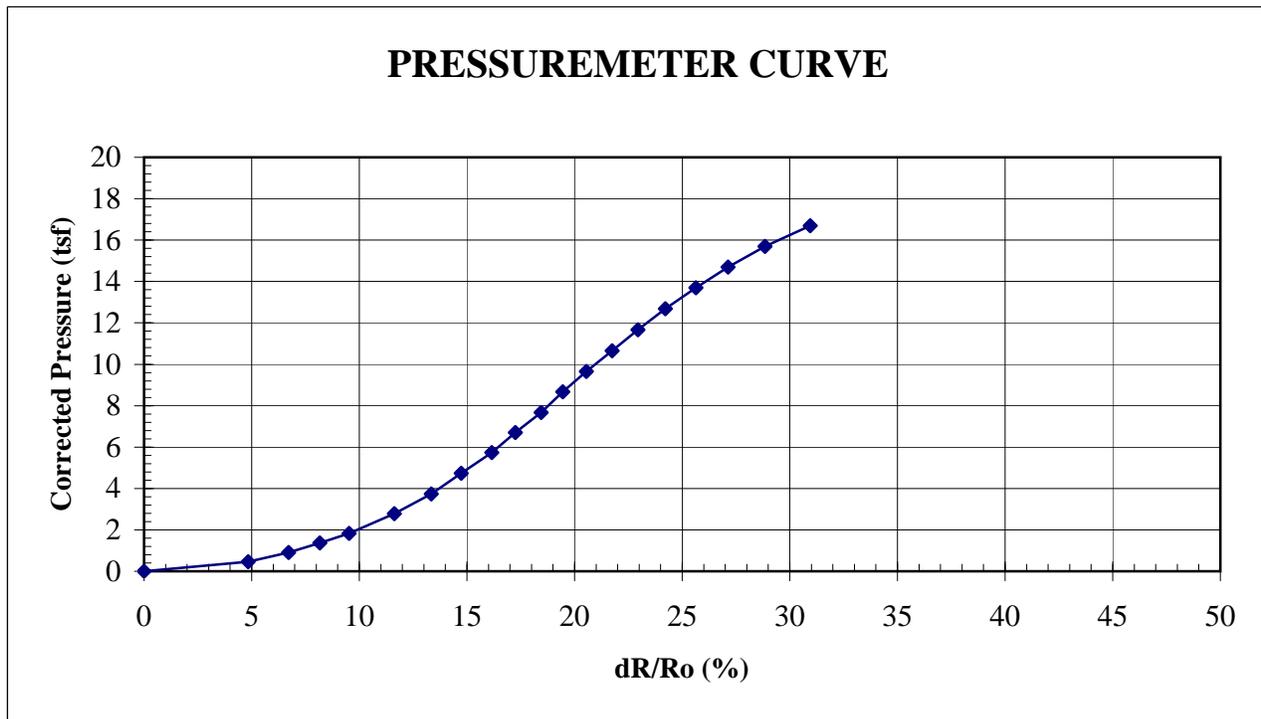
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Marginal test; disturbed soil.

**PRESSUREMETER TEST RESULTS**

**PolyMet**

**AET No. 07-04509; Barr No. 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A**



**Boring No. : J003**

**$P_L$ (tsf) > 17.0**

**$E_o$ (tsf) = 139**

**$E_o / P_1^* = 8.4$**

**Depth (ft) : 6.6-8.4**

**$P_o$ (tsf) = 0.5**

**$N_{ave}$  (bpf) = 33**

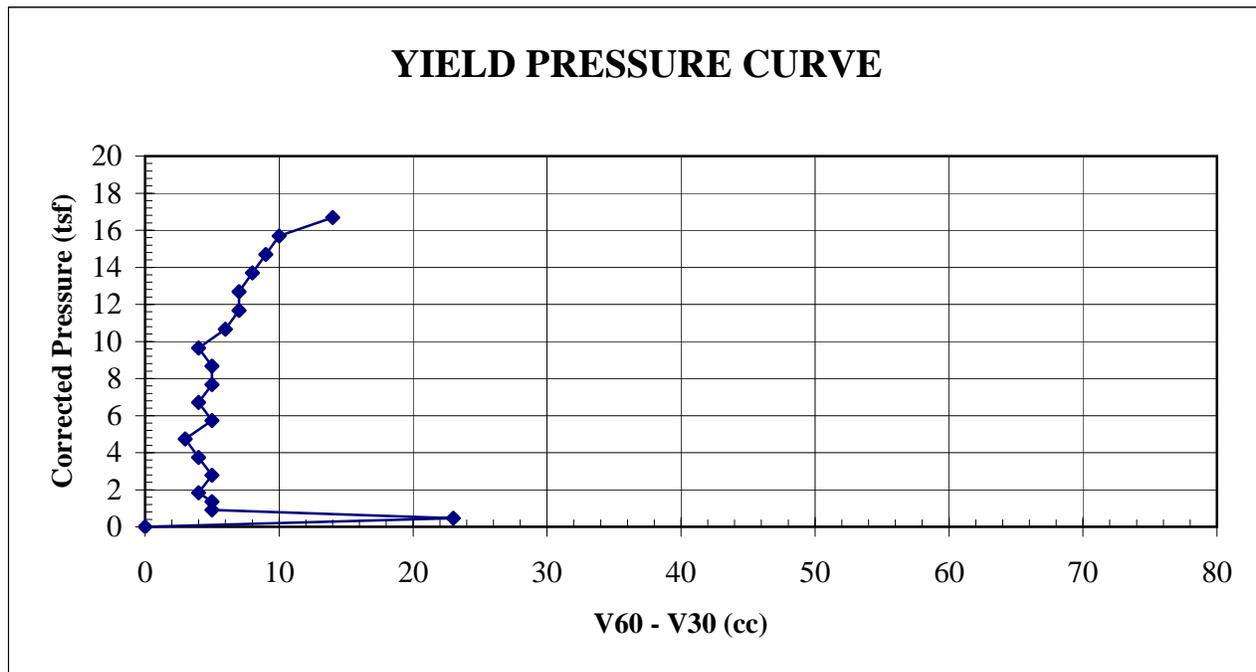
**$E_o / N = 4.2$**

**Probe : A1**

**$P_L^*$ (tsf) > 16.5**

**$P_y$ (tsf) = 13.0**

**$P_y / P_1^* = 0.79$**



**NOTES:**

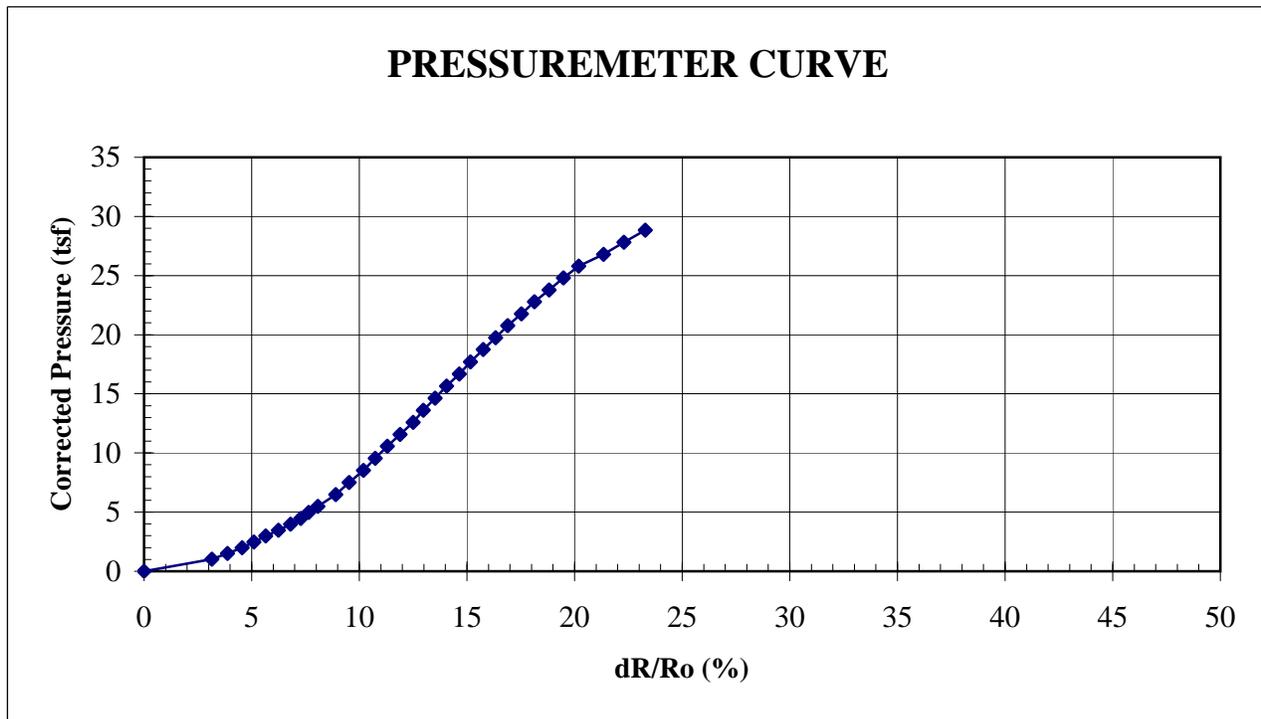
Points Used for  $E_o$  Calculation: 9 to 16

Good test; reached yield but not failure.

**PRESSUREMETER TEST RESULTS**

PolyMet

AET No. 07-04509; Barr No. 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A



Boring No. : J003

$P_L$ (tsf) > 30.0

$E_o$ (tsf) = 264

$E_o / P_1^* = 9.3$

Depth (ft) : 21.6-23.4

$P_o$ (tsf) = 1.5

$N_{ave}$  (bpf) = 26

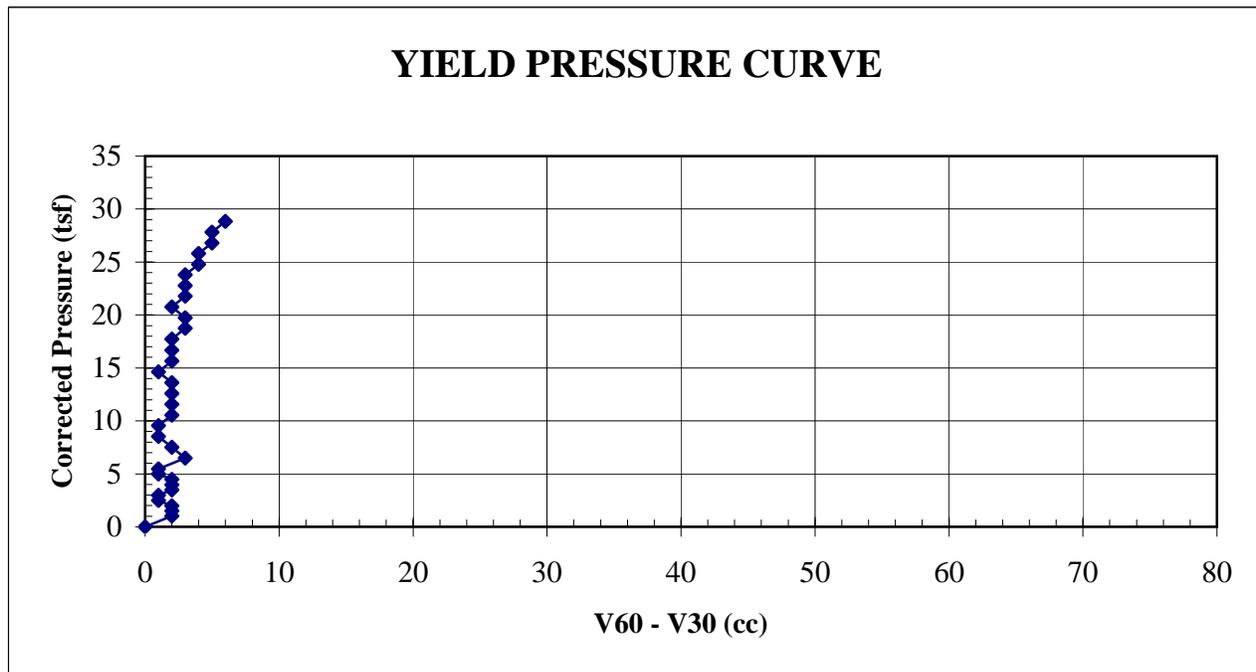
$E_o / N = 10.4$

Probe : A1

$P_L^*$ (tsf) > 28.5

$P_y$ (tsf) = 23.0

$P_y / P_1^* = 0.81$



**NOTES:**

Points Used for  $E_o$  Calculation: 14 to 28

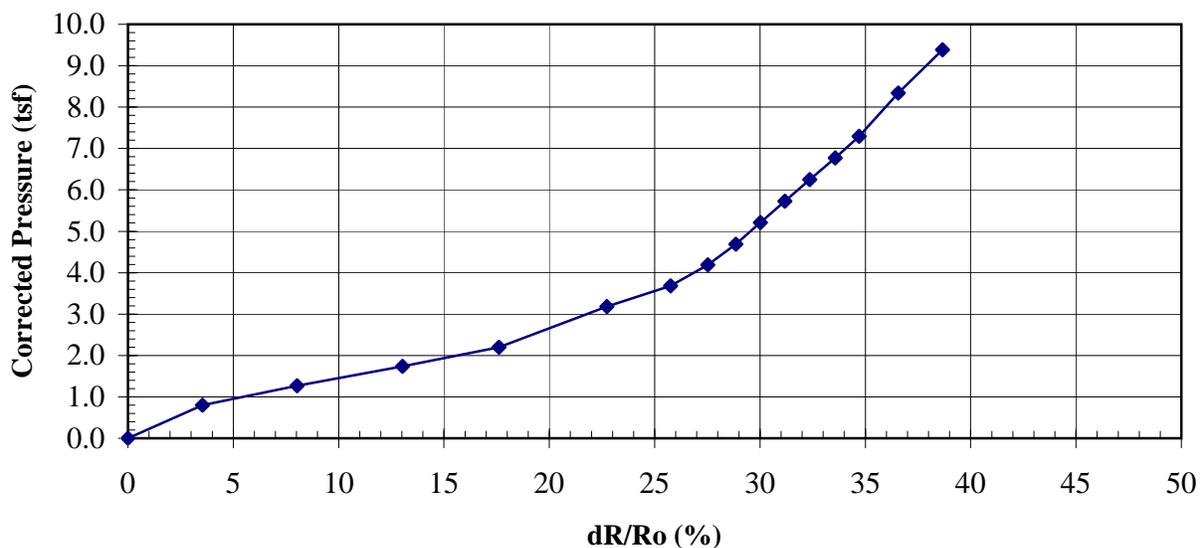
Good test; reached yield but not failure.

## PRESSUREMETER TEST RESULTS

PolyMet

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### PRESSUREMETER CURVE



Boring No. : J003

$P_L$ (tsf) > 10.0

$E_o$ (tsf) = 76

$E_o / P_1^* = 8.4$

Depth (ft) : 13.8-15.3

$P_o$ (tsf) = 1.0

$N_{ave}$  (bpf) = 23

$E_o / N = 3.3$

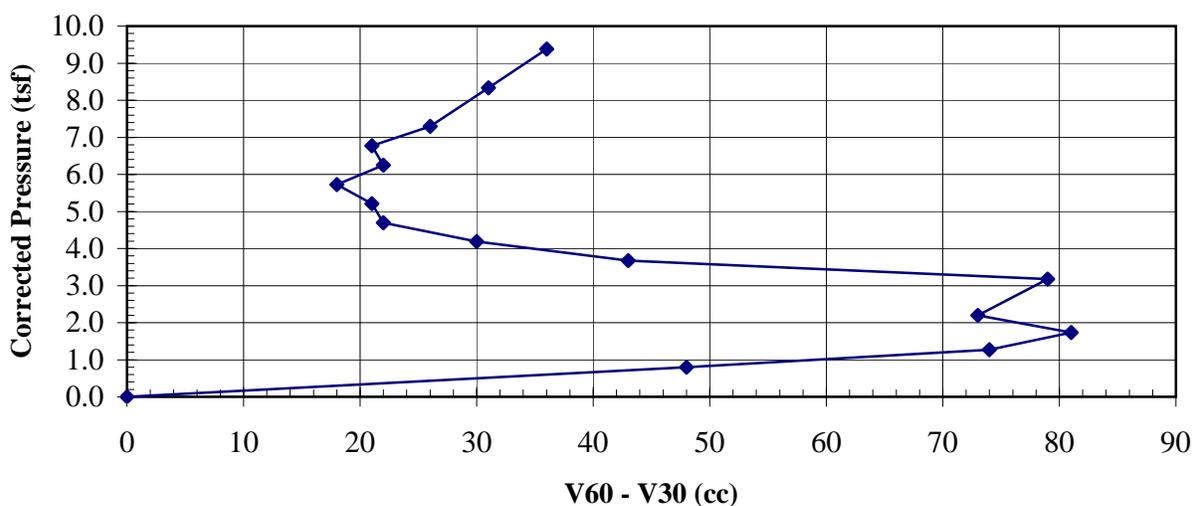
Probe : N1

$P_L^*$ (tsf) > 9.0

$P_y$ (tsf) = 7.0

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### YIELD PRESSURE CURVE



**NOTES:** Points Used for  $E_o$  Calculation: 9 to 13

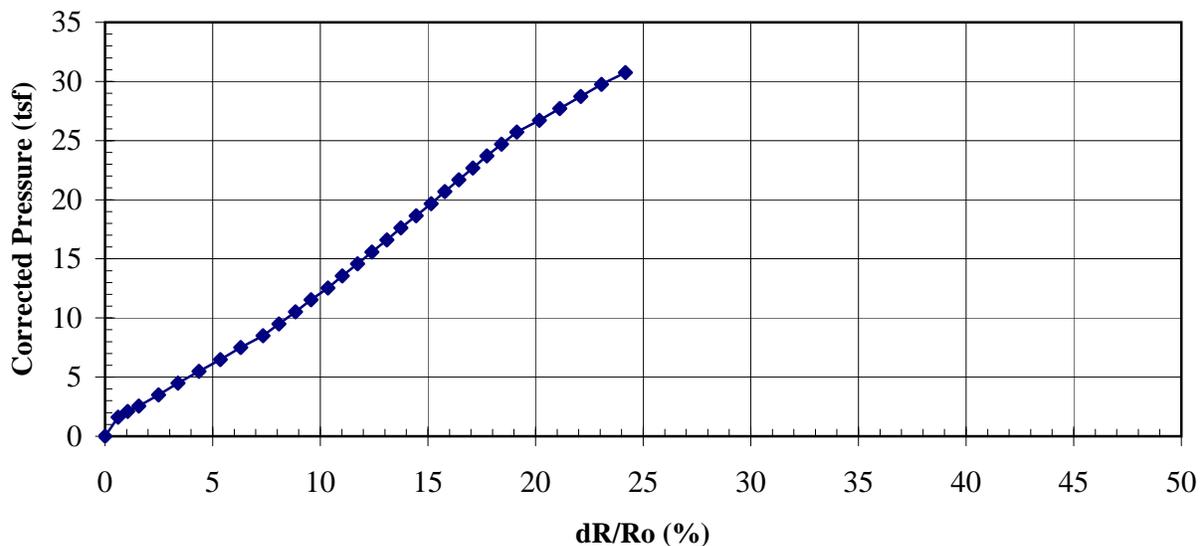
Marginal test: may have reached yield; did not reach failure.

## PRESSUREMETER TEST RESULTS

PolyMet

AET No. 07-04509; Barr No. 23/69-0C29.07 WA1A

### PRESSUREMETER CURVE



Boring No. : J003

$P_L$ (tsf) > 31.0

$E_o$ (tsf) = 229

$E_o / P_1^* = 7.6$

Depth (ft) : 16.9-18.7

$P_o$ (tsf) = 1.0

$N_{ave}$  (bpf) = 46

$E_o / N = 5.0$

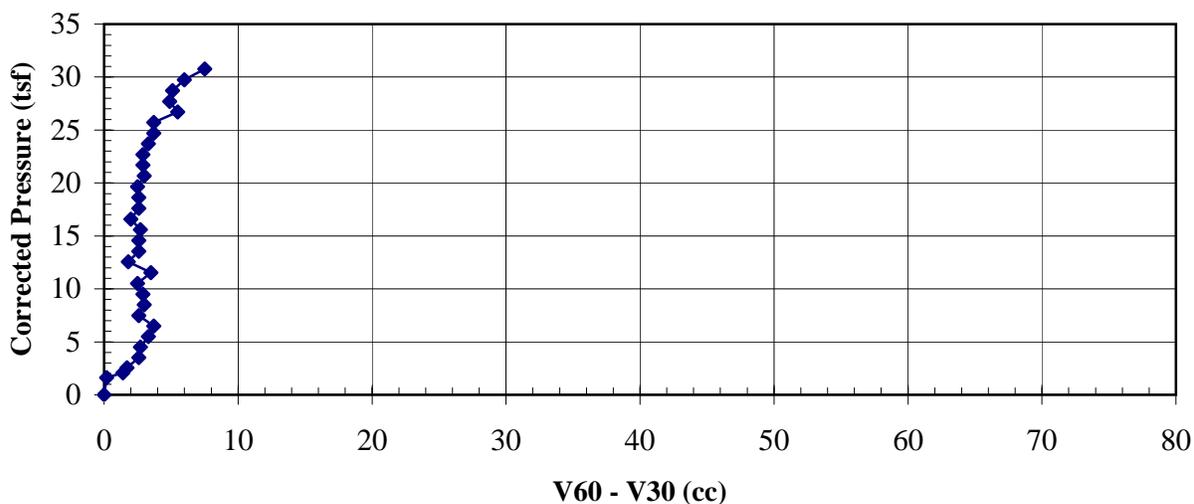
Probe : A1

$P_L^*$ (tsf) > 30.0

$P_y$ (tsf) = 26.0

$P_y / P_1^* = 0.87$

### YIELD PRESSURE CURVE

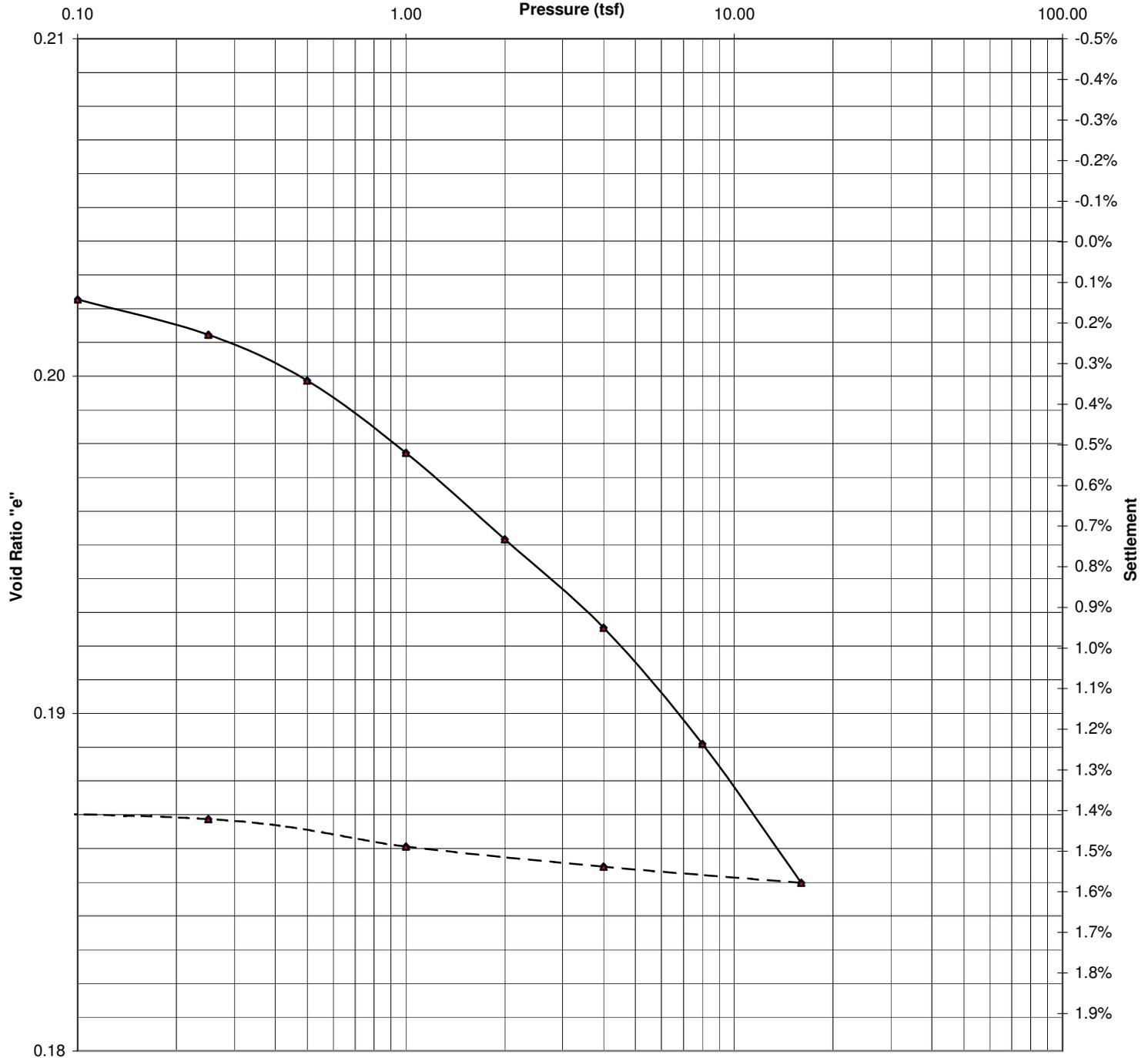


**NOTES:**

Points Used for  $E_o$  Calculation: 14 to 26

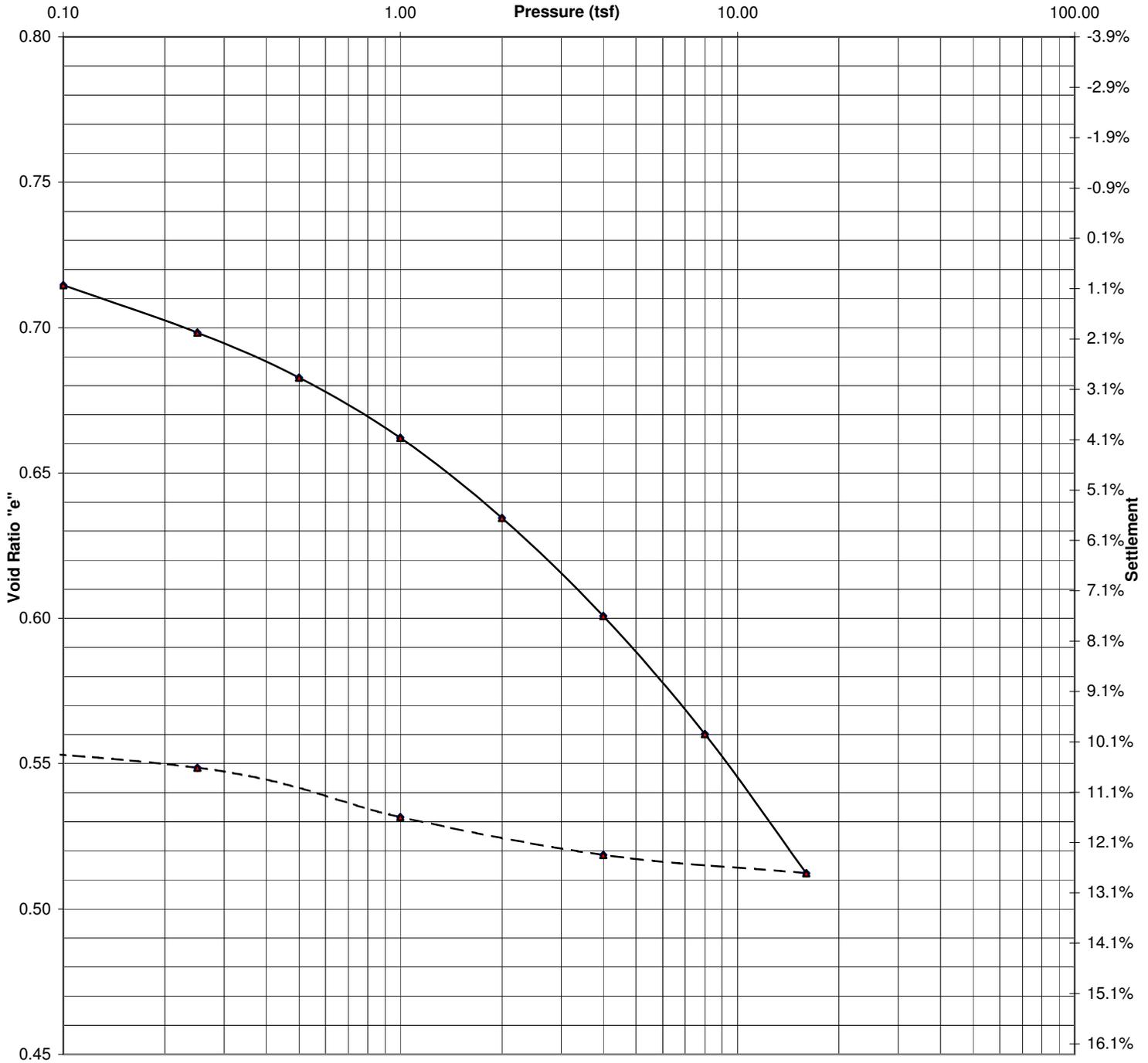
Good test; just starting to yield at end of test.

# Void Ratio and % Settlement vs. Log of Pressure



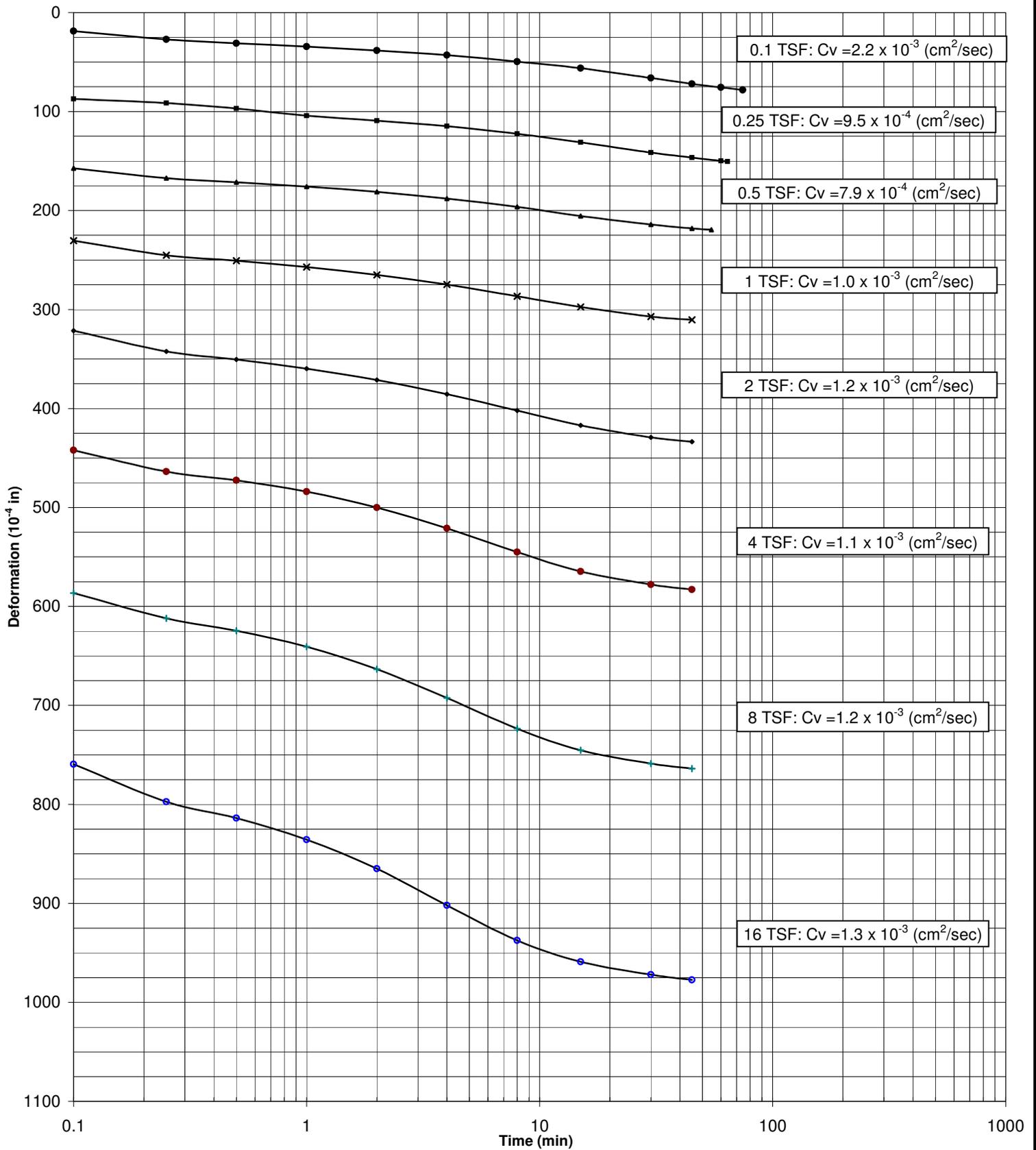
Project: PolyMet				Date: 5/4/10	
Sample #:		Boring #: J003		Depth ft: 10-13	
Job #: 7397					
Soil Type: Silty Clayey Sand w/gravel (SC-SM/SC)					
Initial W/C (%): 6.8		Dry Density (pcf): 142.1		Gs: 2.74 (Assumed)	
Organic Content (%):		Initial Height (in.): 0.770		Diameter (in.): 2.504	
Preconsolidation Pressure (Pc): N/A		Compression Index (Cc): N/A		Recompression Index (Cr): $\cong$ 0.001	
Remarks: Specimen incrementally loaded with the load doubling at end of primary plus 30 minutes. Specimen was extremely dense. Pc does not appear to have been reached at 16 tsf.					

# Void Ratio and % Settlement vs. Log of Pressure



Project: PolyMet				Date: 5/4/10	
Sample #:		Boring #: J003T		Depth ft: 1.5-3.5	
Job #:		7397			
Soil Type: Clayey Sand (SC)					
Initial W/C (%): 27.6		Dry Density (pcf): 97.0		Gs: 2.69 (Assumed)	
Organic Content (%):		Initial Height (in.): 0.770		Diameter (in.): 2.504	
Preconsolidation Pressure (Pc): 1.6 tsf		Compression Index (Cc): 0.155		Recompression Index (Cr): $\cong 0.02$	
Remarks: Specimen incrementally loaded with the load doubling at end of primary plus 30 minutes.					

# Consolidation Log of Time Curves



Project: PolyMet

Date: 5/4/10

Sample #:

Boring #: J003T

Depth ft: 1.5-3.5

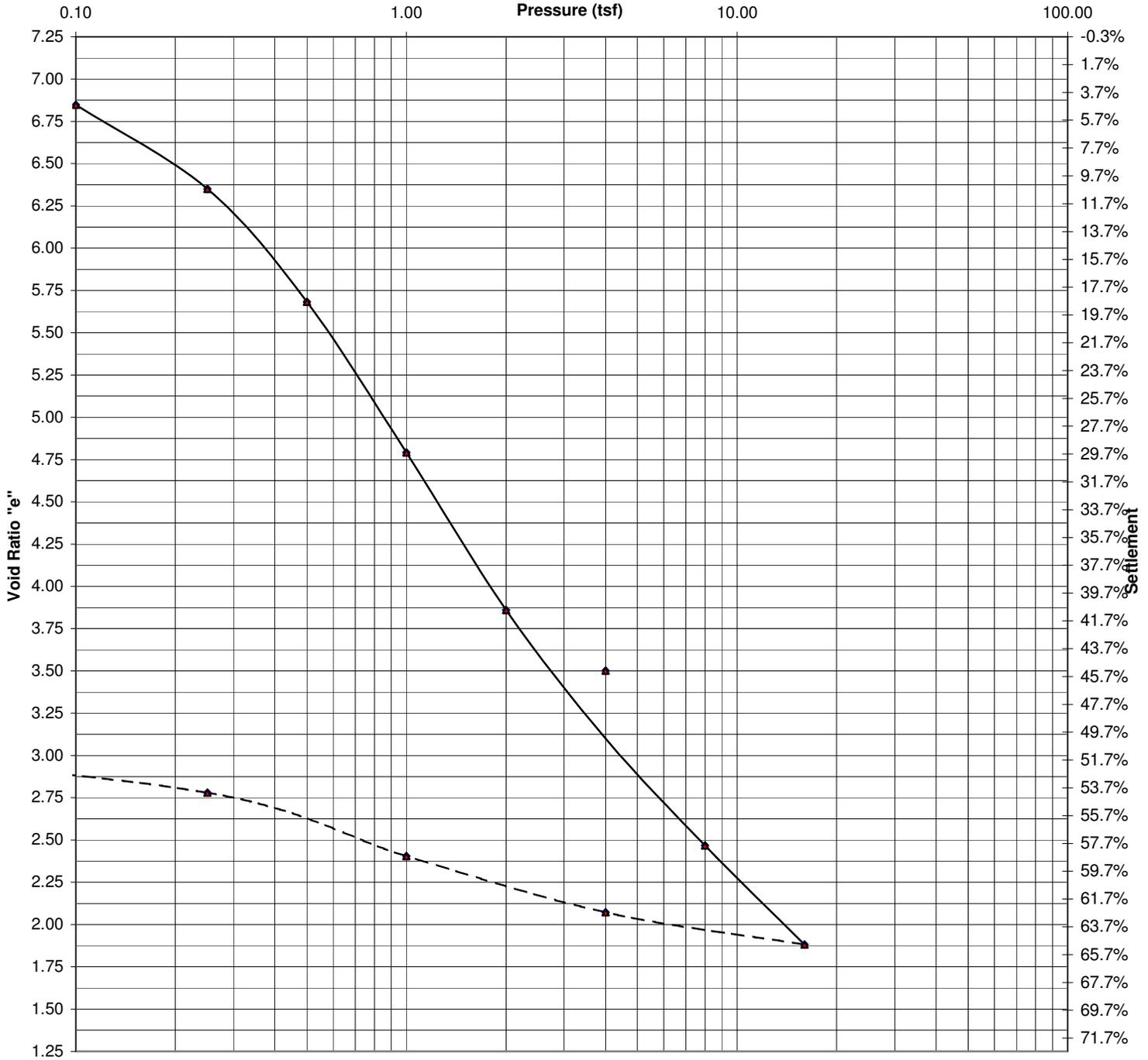
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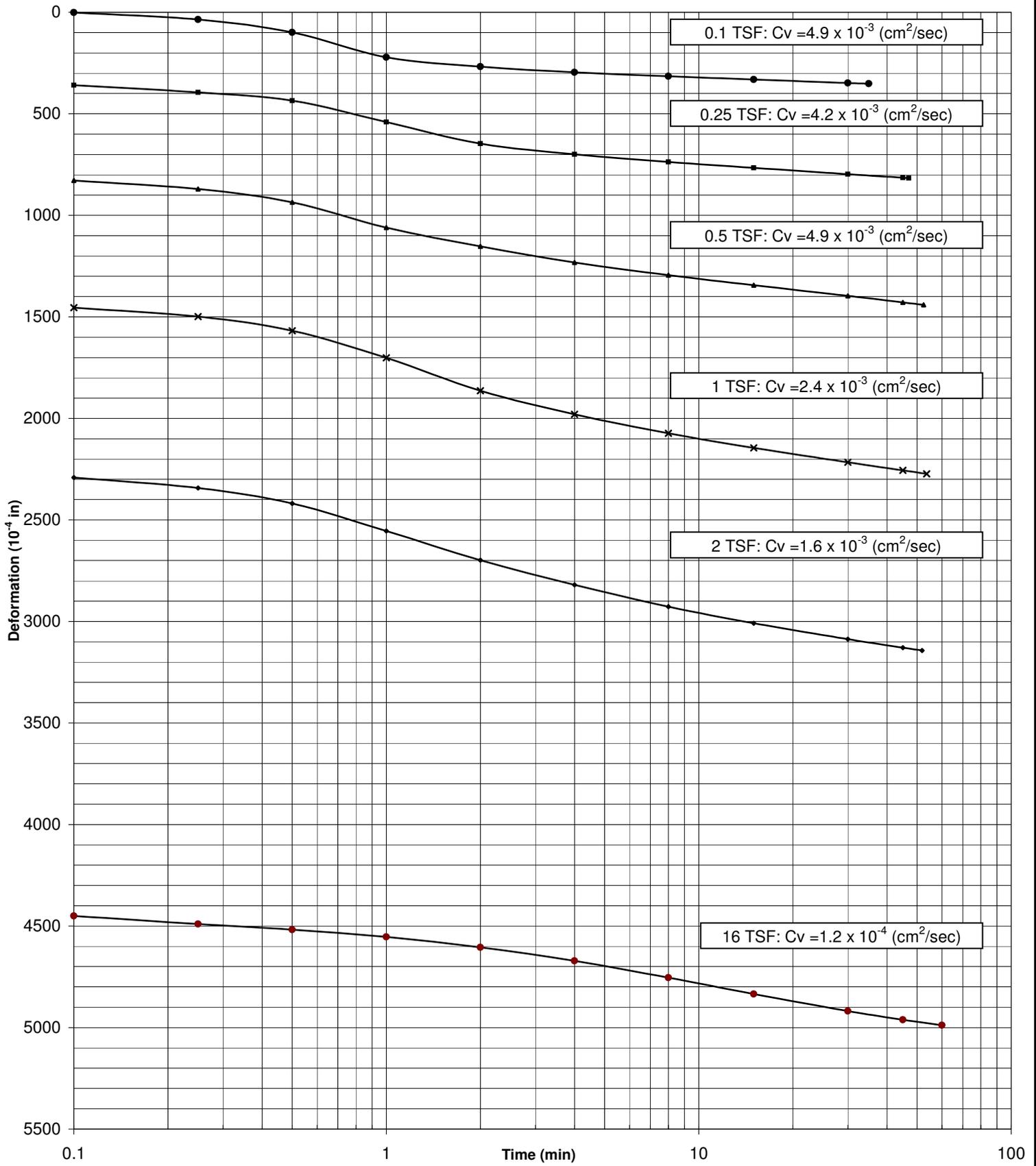
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# Void Ratio and % Settlement vs. Log of Pressure



Project: PolyMet			Date: 5/4/10		
Sample #:	Boring #: J027	Depth ft: 1.5-3.5	Job #:	7397	
Soil Type: Hemic Peat w/wood stems (PT)					
Initial W/C (%): 404.6	Dry Density (pcf): 12.8	LL:	PL:	PI:	Gs: 1.68
Organic Content (%):	Initial Height (in.): 0.768	Diameter (in.): 2.504	e <sub>o</sub> = 7.225		
Preconsolidation Pressure (Pc): 0.25 tsf	Compression Index (Cc): 2.82	Recompression Index (Cr): ≅ 0.50			
Remarks: Specimen incrementally loaded with the load doubling at end of primary plus 30 minutes. Maximum displacement limit reached at during 4 tsf load; consequently time readings were not attained for 4 tsf and 8 tsf.					

# Consolidation Log of Time Curves



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Sample #:	Boring #: J027	Depth ft: 1.5-3.5	Job #: 7397

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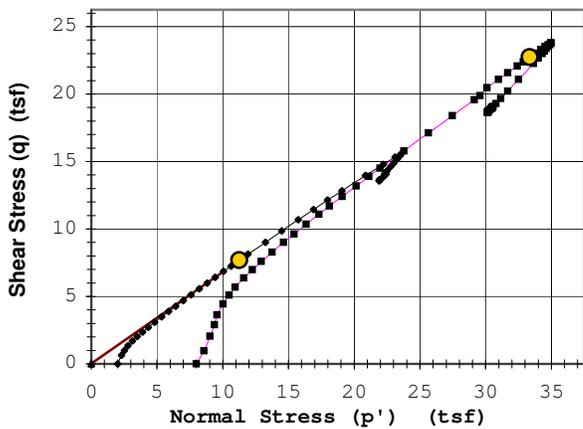
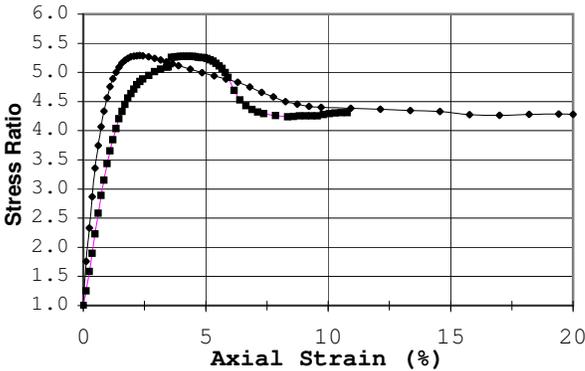
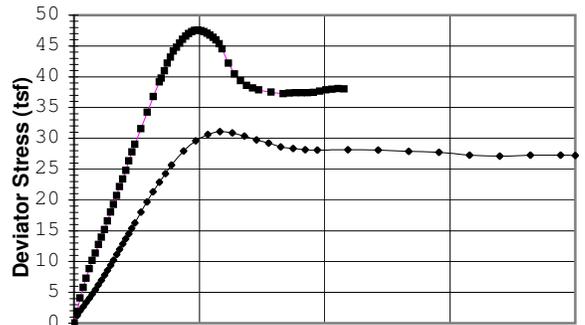
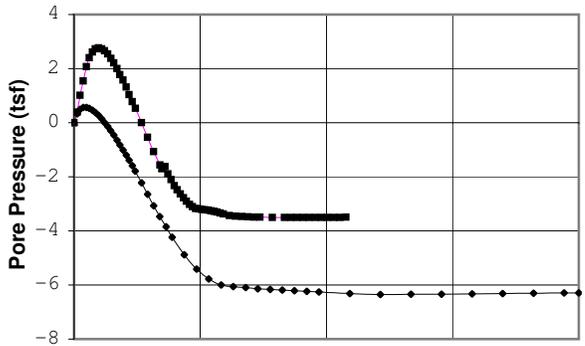
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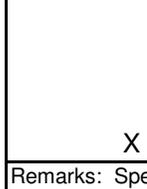
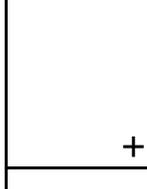
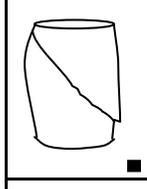
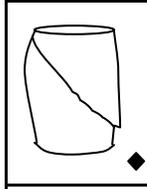
Job No. 7397

Date: 5/5/10

Project: **PolyMet**  
 Boring #: **J003**      Sample #:      Type: **3T**      Depth (ft): **15-18**  
 Soil Type: **Silty Clayey Sand w/a little gravel (SC-SM)**



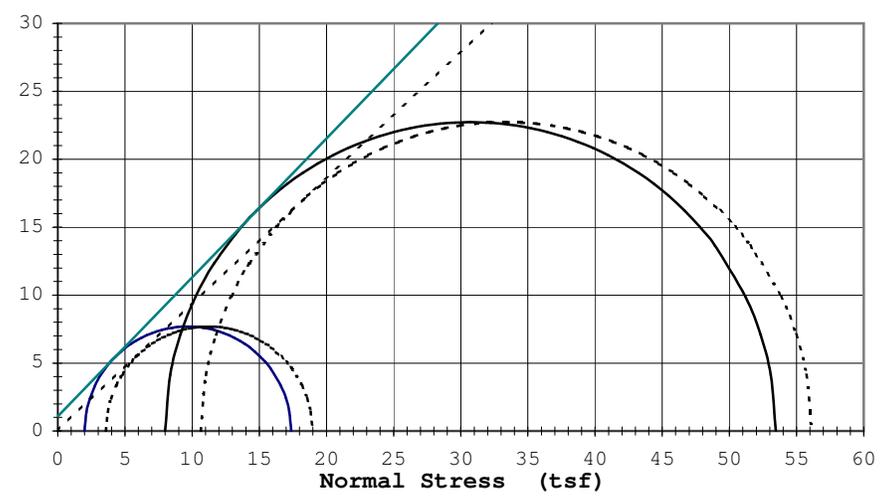
Rupture Envelope at Failure  
 $\alpha = 34.2^\circ$        $a = 0.0$  (tsf)



Failure Criterion: <b>Max. Stress Ratio</b>	
Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 42.9^\circ$	
Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.02$ (tsf)	
Test Date: 4/8/10	Liquid Limit:
Test Type: CU w/pp	Plastic Limit:
Strain Rate (in/min): 0.00206	Plasticity Index:
Strain Rate (%/min): 0.050	Spec. Gravity (Assumed): 2.68
<b>Before Consolidation</b>	
Diameter (in)	<b>A</b> <b>B</b> <b>C</b> <b>D</b> <b>E</b>
Height (in)	1.94    1.94
Water Content (%)	4.12    4.12
Dry Density (pcf)	7.8    8.3
Void Ratio	140.1    136.2
<b>After Consolidation</b>	
Diameter (in)	0.19    0.23
Height (in)	1.93    1.93
Water Content (%)	4.12    4.11
Dry Density (pcf)	6.5    7.7
Void Ratio	142.4    138.7
Back Pressure (tsf)	0.18    0.21
Minor Principal Stress (tsf)	5.8    5.8
Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)	2.00    8.00
Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)	31.11    47.58
Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)	27.21    38.01
Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)	15.37    45.46
Pore Pressure Parameter "B"	0.56    2.76
Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	1.0    1.0
	2.3    4.2

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Remarks: Specimen Saturated, backpressured until "B" response was 0.95 to 1.00; Consolidated; All Drainage valves closed and immediately sheared.  
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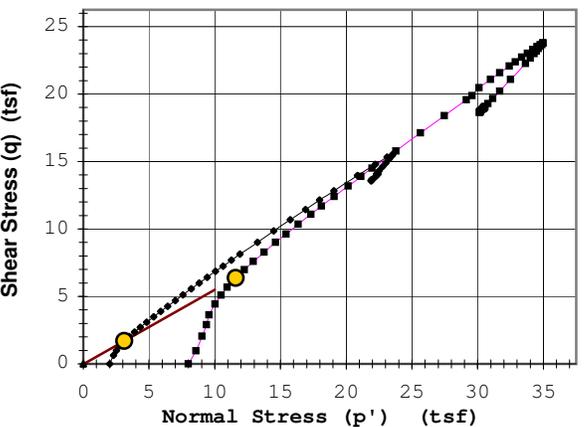
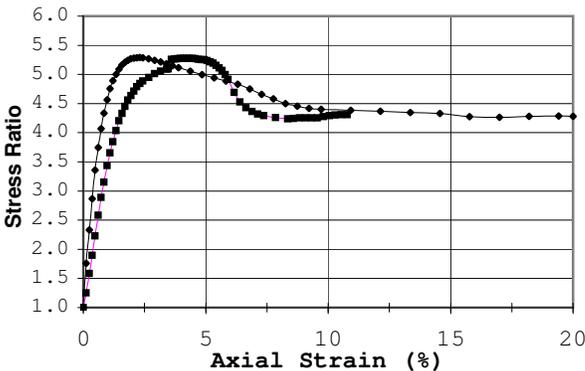
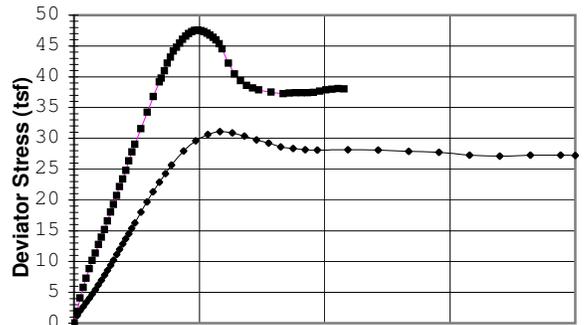
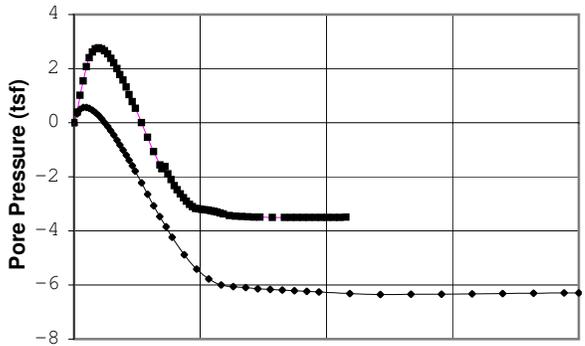
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_____	Total $\phi'$ : 45.6°	$c = 1.09$ (tsf)

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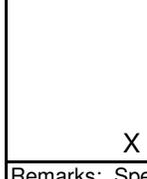
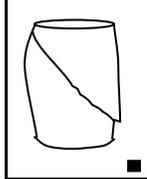
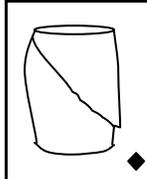
Job No. 7397

Date: 5/5/10

Project: **PolyMet**  
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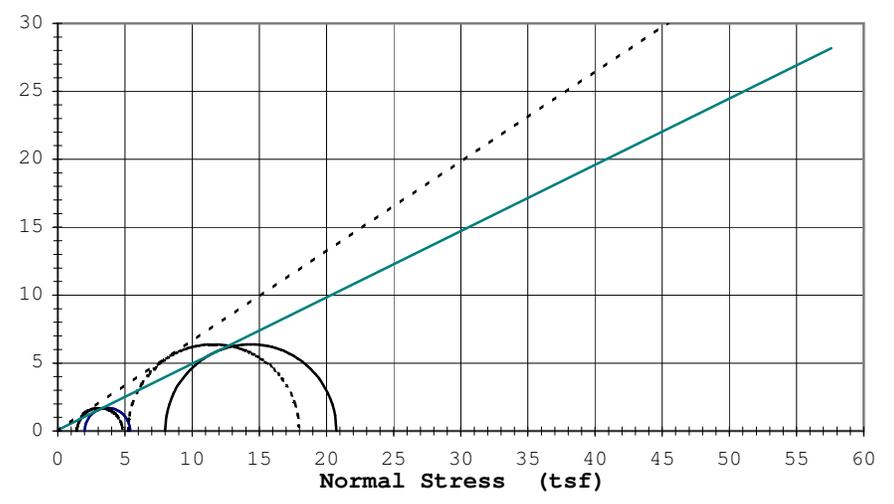
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Failure Criterion: <b>Max. Pore Pressure</b>	
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Test Date: 4/8/10	Liquid Limit:
Test Type: CU w/pp	Plastic Limit:
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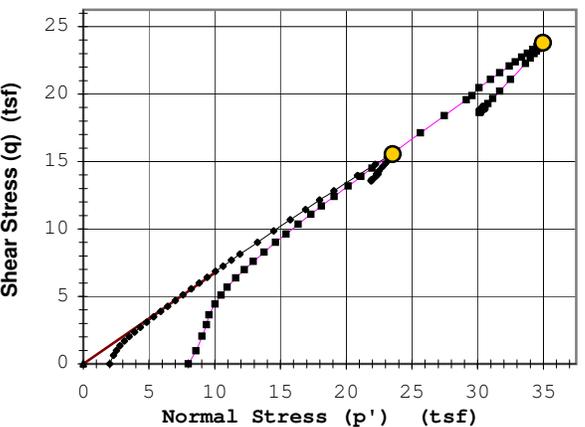
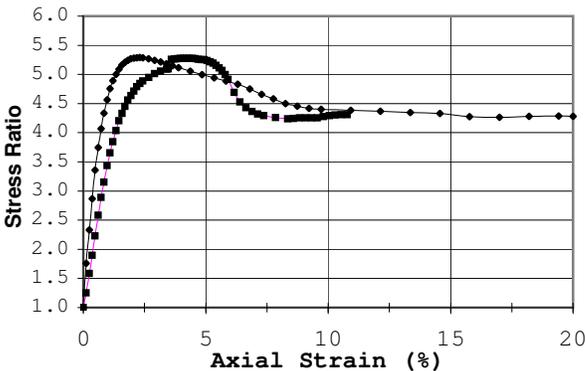
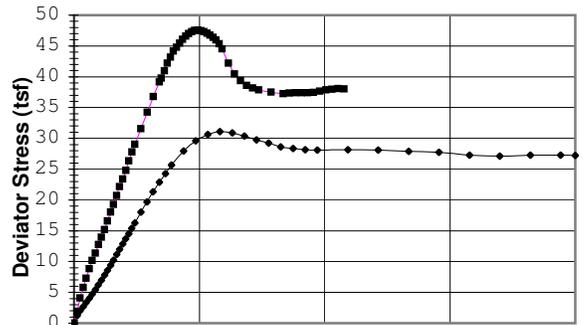
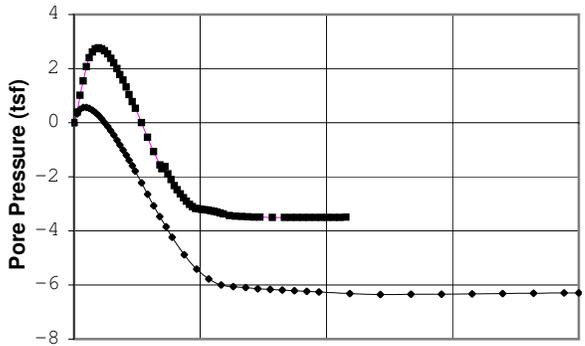
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# TRIAXIAL TEST ASTM: D 4767

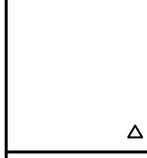
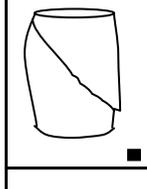
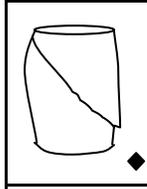
Job No. 7397

Date: 5/5/10

Project: **PolyMet**  
 Boring #: **J003**      Sample #:      Type: **3T**      Depth (ft): **15-18**  
 Soil Type: **Silty Clayey Sand w/a little gravel (SC-SM)**



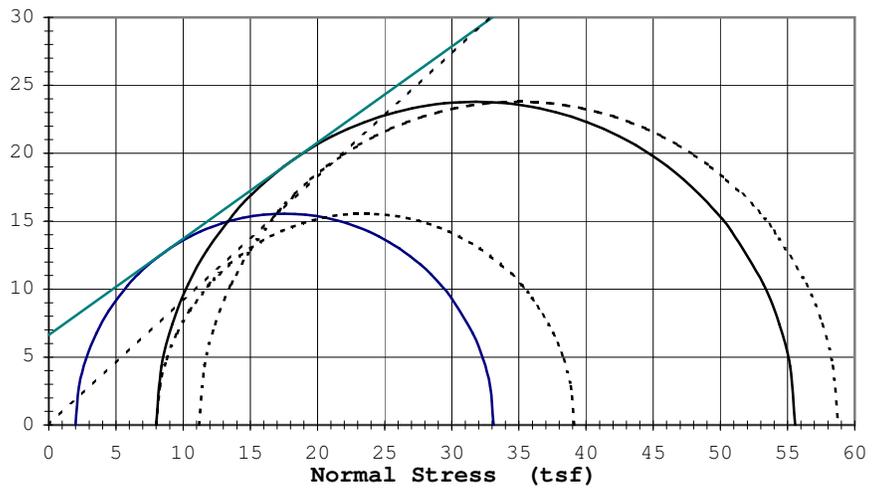
Rupture Envelope at Failure  
 $\alpha = 34.0^\circ$        $a = 0.0$  (tsf)



Failure Criterion: <b>Max. Deviator Stress</b>	
Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 42.4^\circ$	
Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.00$ (tsf)	
Test Date: 4/8/10	Liquid Limit:
Test Type: CU w/pp	Plastic Limit:
Strain Rate (in/min): 0.00206	Plasticity Index:
Strain Rate (%/min): 0.050	Spec. Gravity (Assumed): 2.68
<b>Before Consolidation</b>	
Diameter (in)	<b>A</b> <b>B</b> <b>C</b> <b>D</b> <b>E</b>
Height (in)	1.94    1.94
Water Content (%)	4.12    4.12
Dry Density (pcf)	7.8    8.3
Void Ratio	140.1    136.2
<b>After Consolidation</b>	
Diameter (in)	1.93    1.93
Height (in)	4.12    4.11
Water Content (%)	6.5    7.7
Dry Density (pcf)	142.4    138.7
Void Ratio	0.19    0.23
Back Pressure (tsf)	5.8    5.8
Minor Principal Stress (tsf)	2.00    8.00
Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)	31.11    47.58
Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)	27.21    38.01
Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)	31.11    47.58
Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)	0.56    2.76
Pore Pressure Parameter "B"	1.0    1.0
Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	5.8    4.9

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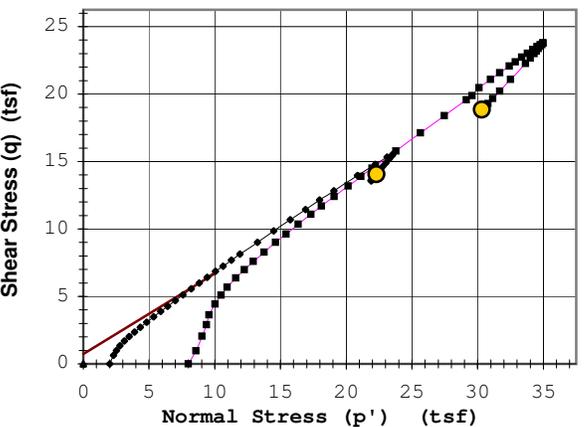
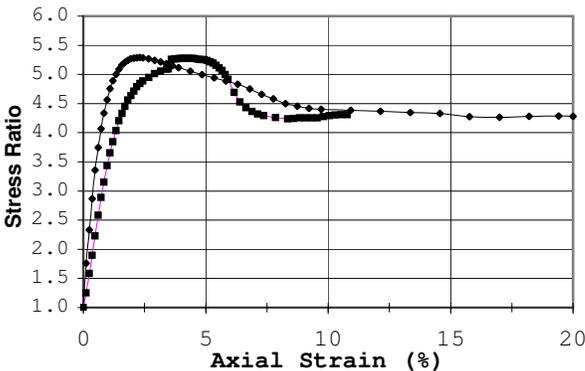
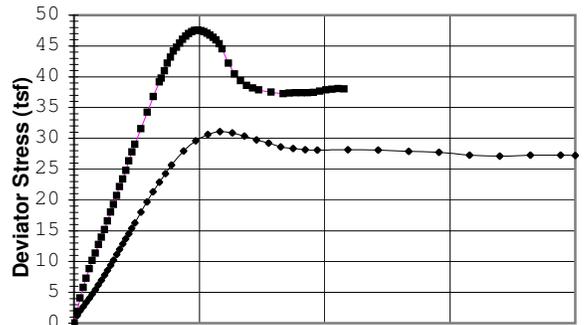
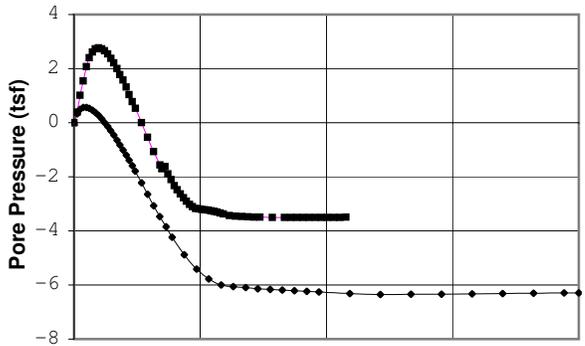
-----	Effective $\phi'$ : 42.4°	$c' = 0.00$ (tsf)
_____	Total $\phi$ : 35.3°	$c = 6.62$ (tsf)

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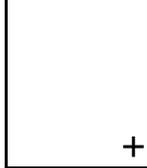
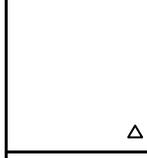
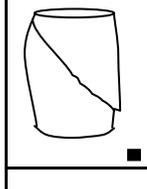
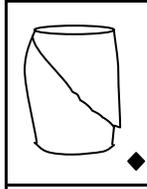
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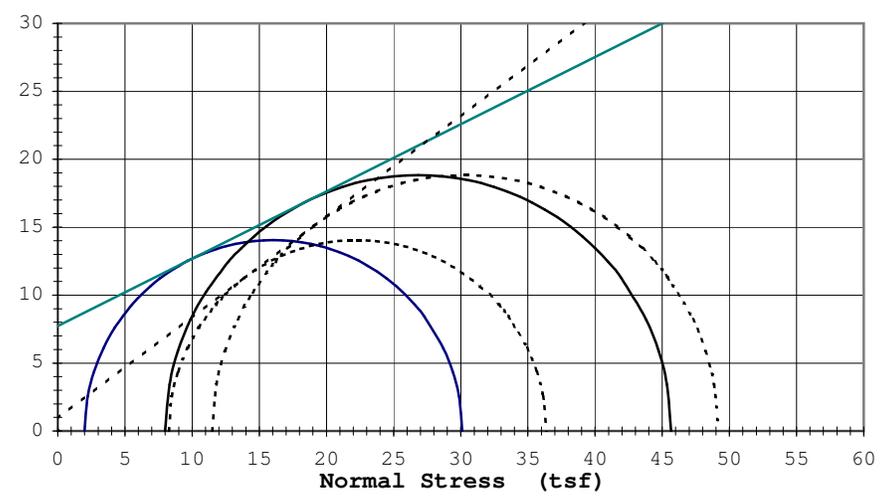
Rupture Envelope at Failure  
 $\alpha = 30.8^\circ$        $a = 0.7$  (tsf)



Failure Criterion: <b>Given Strain of: 10%</b>	
Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 36.6^\circ$	
Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.92$ (tsf)	
Test Date: 4/8/10	Liquid Limit:
Test Type: CU w/pp	Plastic Limit:
Strain Rate (in/min): 0.00206	Plasticity Index:
Strain Rate (%/min): 0.050	Spec. Gravity (Assumed): 2.68
<b>Before Consolidation</b>	
Diameter (in)	<b>A</b> <b>B</b> <b>C</b> <b>D</b> <b>E</b>
Height (in)	1.94    1.94
Water Content (%)	4.12    4.12
Dry Density (pcf)	7.8    8.3
Void Ratio	140.1    136.2
<b>After Consolidation</b>	
Diameter (in)	0.19    0.23
Height (in)	1.93    1.93
Water Content (%)	4.12    4.11
Dry Density (pcf)	6.5    7.7
Void Ratio	142.4    138.7
Back Pressure (tsf)	0.18    0.21
Minor Principal Stress (tsf)	5.8    5.8
Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)	2.00    8.00
Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)	31.11    47.58
Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)	27.21    38.01
Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)	28.10    37.67
Pore Pressure Parameter "B"	0.56    2.76
Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	1.0    1.0
	10.0    10.0

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-----	Effective $\phi'$ : $36.6^\circ$	$c' = 0.92$ (tsf)
_____	Total $\phi'$ : $26.3^\circ$	$c = 7.73$ (tsf)

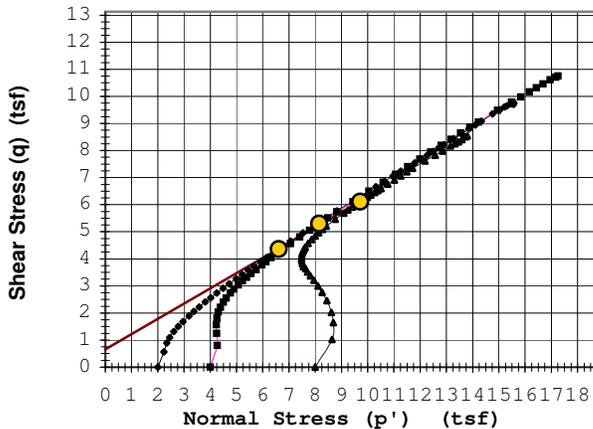
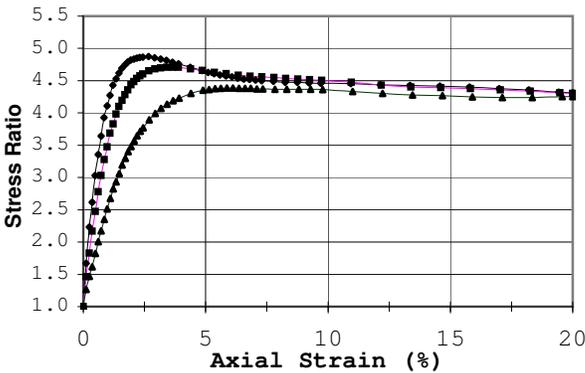
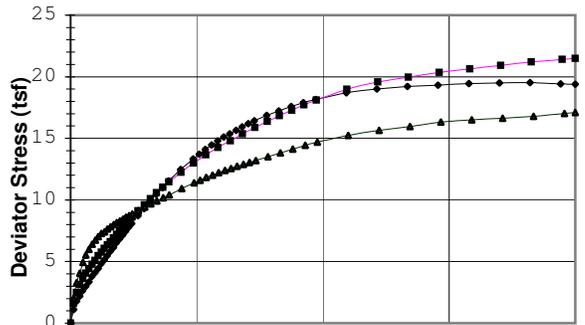
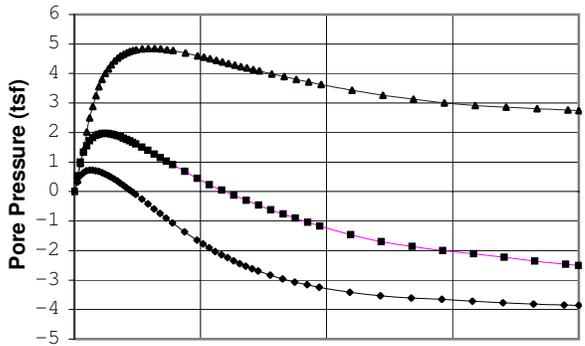


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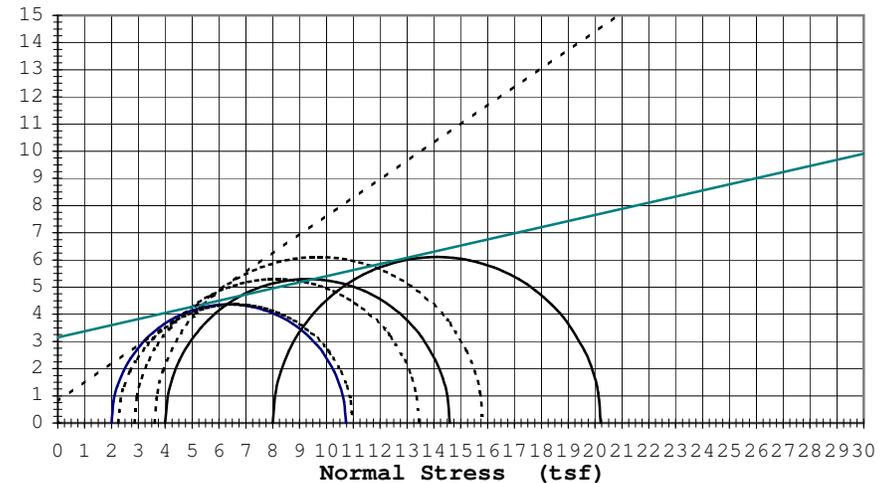
Project: **PolyMet**  
 Boring #: **J010**      Sample #:      Type: **3T**  
 Soil Type: **Silty Sand w/a little gravel (SM)**      Depth (ft): **5.5-8**



**Rupture Envelope at Failure**  
 $\alpha = 29.4^\circ$        $a = 0.7$  (tsf)

  	Failure Criterion: <b>Max. Stress Ratio</b>	
	Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 34.2^\circ$ Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.80$ (tsf)	
	Test Date: 4/13/10 Test Type: CU w/pp Strain Rate (in/min): 0.00206 Strain Rate (%/min): 0.050	Liquid Limit: Plasticity Limit: Spec. Gravity (Assumed): 2.72
	<b>Before Consolidation</b>	
	Diameter (in)	<b>A</b> <b>B</b> <b>C</b> <b>D</b> <b>E</b>
	Height (in)	1.94   1.94   1.94   1.94   1.94
	Water Content (%)	4.12   4.12   4.12   4.12   4.12
	Dry Density (pcf)	9.8   8.9   14.2   9.8   8.9
	Void Ratio	133.8   126.7   123.3   133.8   126.7
	<b>After Consolidation</b>	
	Diameter (in)	0.27   0.34   0.38
	Height (in)	1.93   1.92   1.90
	Water Content (%)	4.12   4.11   4.09
	Dry Density (pcf)	9.3   11.1   11.1
	Void Ratio	135.6   130.5   130.4
	Back Pressure (tsf)	0.25   0.30   0.30
	Minor Principal Stress (tsf)	5.8   5.8   5.8
	Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)	2.00   4.00   8.00
	Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)	19.52   21.50   17.10
	Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)	19.41   21.50   17.10
	Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)	8.72   10.59   12.21
	Pore Pressure Parameter "B"	0.73   1.97   4.85
	Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	1.0   1.0   1.0
		2.7   3.4   5.9

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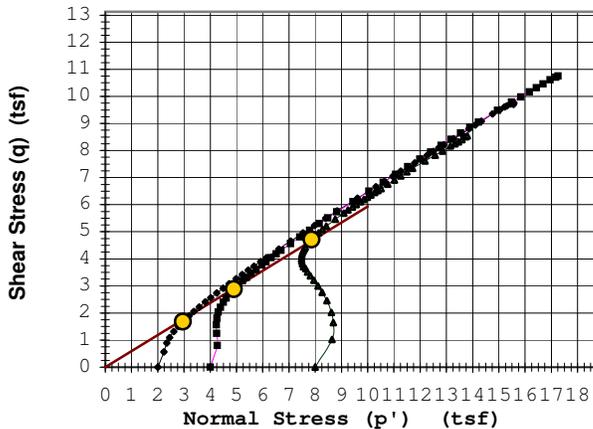
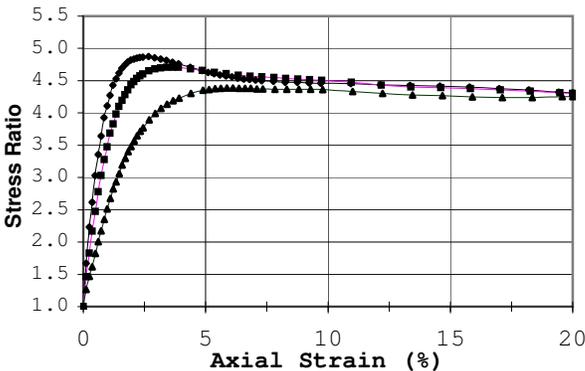
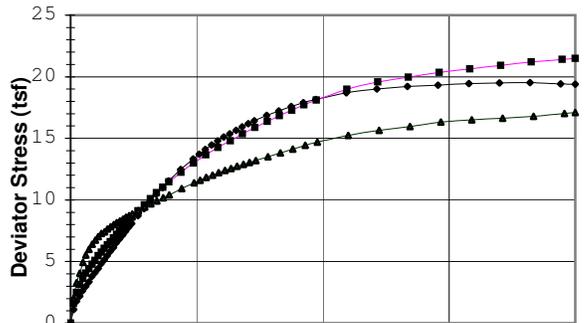
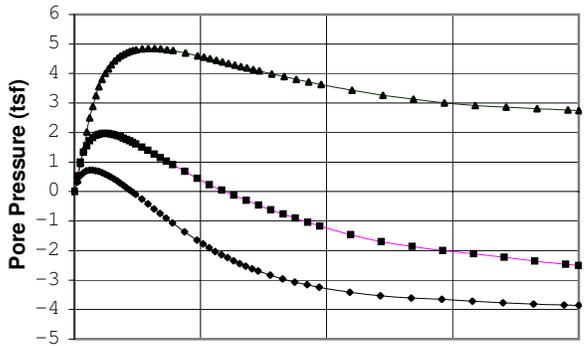
----- Effective  $\phi' = 34.2^\circ$        $c' = 0.80$  (tsf)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Total  $\phi' = 12.7^\circ$        $c = 3.15$  (tsf)

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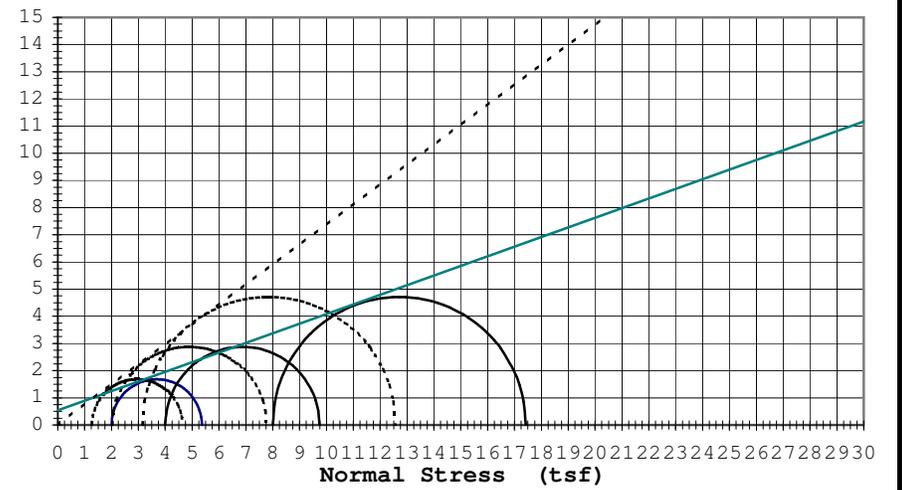


**Rupture Envelope at Failure**  
 $\alpha = 30.7^\circ$        $a = 0.0$  (tsf)

  	Failure Criterion: <b>Max. Pore Pressure</b>				
	Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 36.4^\circ$ Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.00$ (tsf)				
	Test Date: 4/13/10	Liquid Limit:			
	Test Type: CU w/pp	Plastic Limit:			
	Strain Rate (in/min): 0.00206	Spec. Gravity (Assumed): 2.72			
	Strain Rate (%/min): 0.050				
<b>Before Consolidation</b>					
	Diameter (in)	A	B	C	D
	Height (in)	1.94	1.94	1.94	
	Water Content (%)	4.12	4.12	4.12	
	Dry Density (pcf)	9.8	8.9	14.2	
	Void Ratio	133.8	126.7	123.3	
<b>After Consolidation</b>					
	Diameter (in)	0.27	0.34	0.38	
	Height (in)	1.93	1.92	1.90	
	Water Content (%)	4.12	4.11	4.09	
	Dry Density (pcf)	9.3	11.1	11.1	
	Void Ratio	135.6	130.5	130.4	
	Back Pressure (tsf)	0.25	0.30	0.30	
	Minor Principal Stress (tsf)	5.8	5.8	5.8	
	Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)	2.00	4.00	8.00	
	Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)	19.52	21.50	17.10	
	Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)	19.41	21.50	17.10	
	Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)	3.36	5.75	9.43	
	Pore Pressure Parameter "B"	0.73	1.97	4.85	
	Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	1.0	1.0	1.0	
		0.7	1.2	2.9	

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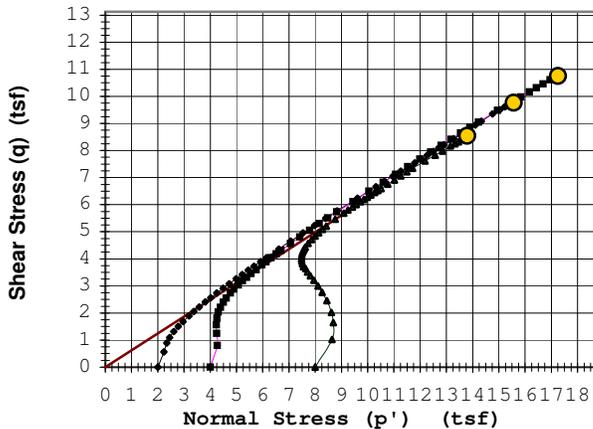
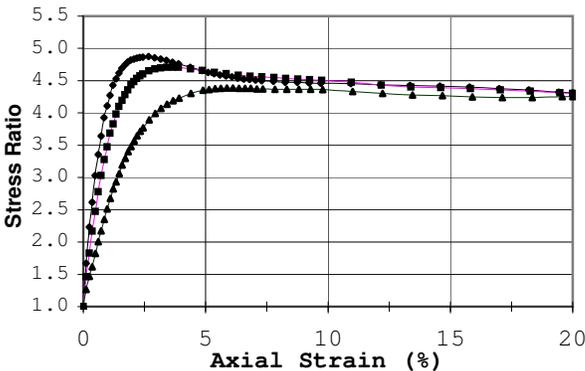
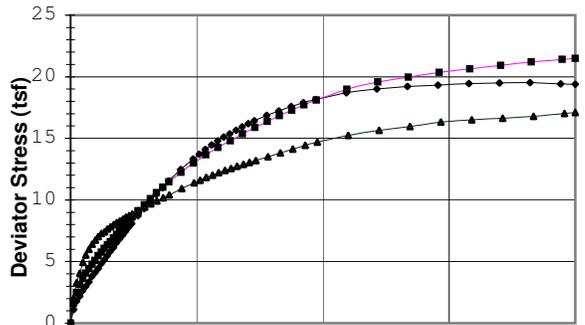
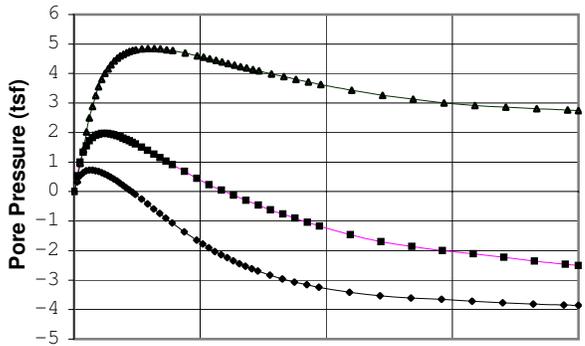
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 \_\_\_\_\_ Total  $\phi = 19.5^\circ$        $c = 0.54$  (tsf)

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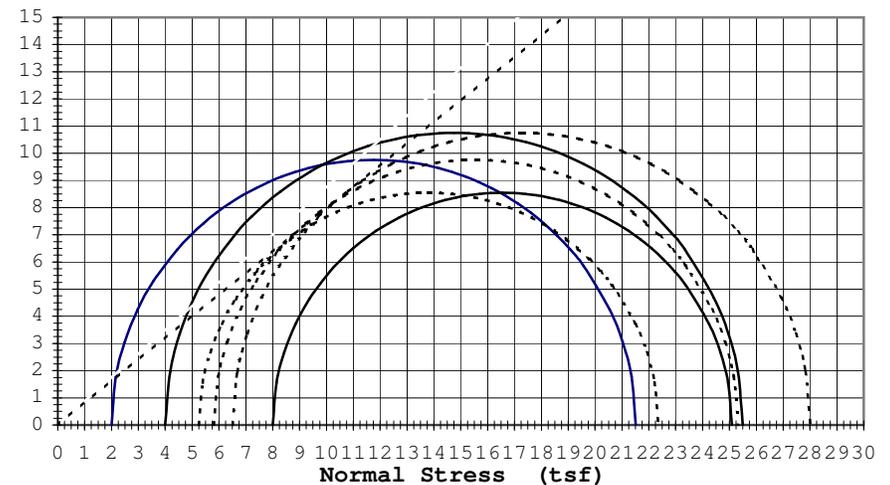


Rupture Envelope at Failure  
 $\alpha = 31.9^\circ$        $a = 0.0$  (tsf)

  	<b>Failure Criterion: Max. Deviator Stress</b>					
	Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 38.5^\circ$ Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.00$ (tsf)					
	Test Date: 4/13/10	Liquid Limit:				
	Test Type: CU w/pp	Plastic Limit:				
	Strain Rate (in/min): 0.00206	Spec. Gravity (Assumed): 2.72				
	Strain Rate (%/min): 0.050					
<b>Before Consolidation</b>						
	Diameter (in)	A	B	C	D	E
	Height (in)	1.94	1.94	1.94		
	Water Content (%)	4.12	4.12	4.12		
	Dry Density (pcf)	9.8	8.9	14.2		
	Void Ratio	133.8	126.7	123.3		
<b>After Consolidation</b>						
	Diameter (in)	0.27	0.34	0.38		
	Height (in)	1.93	1.92	1.90		
	Water Content (%)	4.12	4.11	4.09		
	Dry Density (pcf)	9.3	11.1	11.1		
	Void Ratio	135.6	130.5	130.4		
	Back Pressure (tsf)	0.25	0.30	0.30		
	Minor Principal Stress (tsf)	5.8	5.8	5.8		
	Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)	2.00	4.00	8.00		
	Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)	19.52	21.50	17.10		
	Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)	19.41	21.50	17.10		
	Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)	19.52	21.50	17.10		
	Pore Pressure Parameter "B"	0.73	1.97	4.85		
	Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	1.0	1.0	1.0		
		18.2	20.0	20.0		

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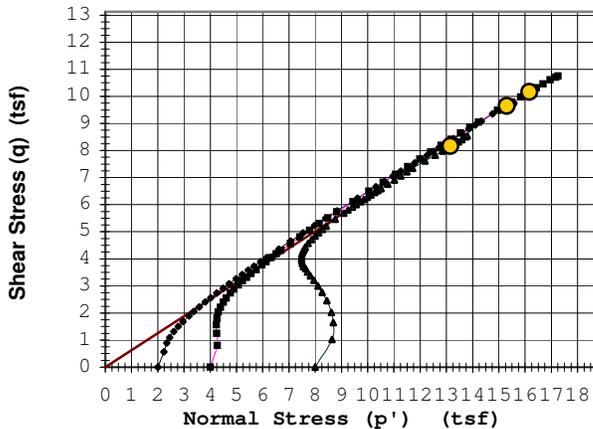
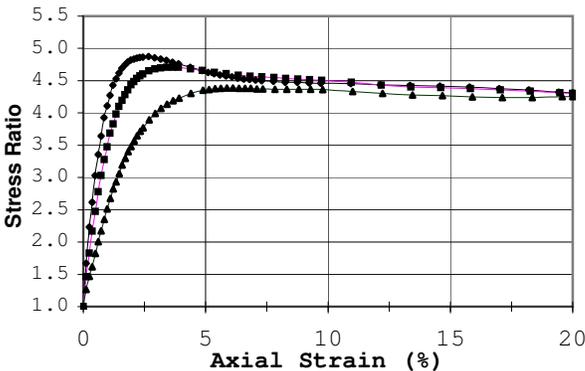
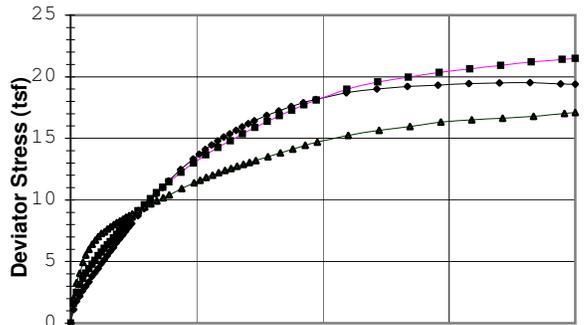
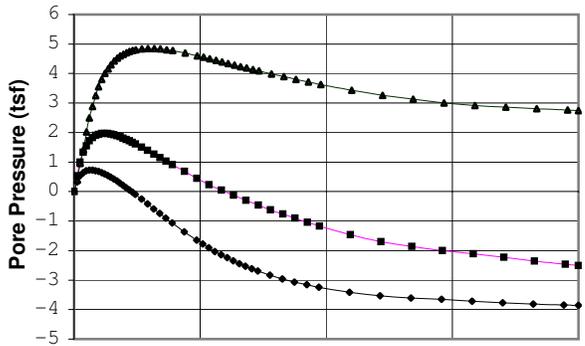
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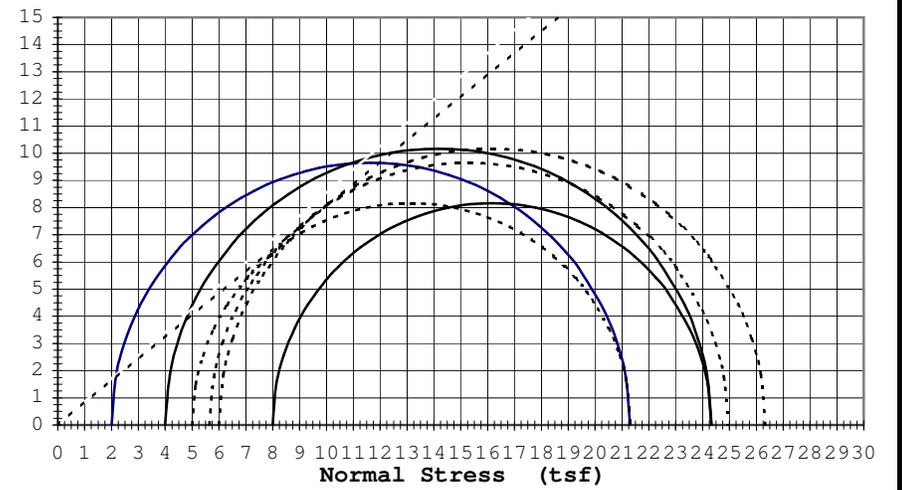
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Rupture Envelope at Failure  
 $\alpha = 32.1^\circ$        $a = 0.0$  (tsf)

 Before Consolidation	Failure Criterion: <b>Given Strain of: 15%</b>				
	Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 38.9^\circ$ Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.00$ (tsf)				
 After Consolidation	Test Date: 4/13/10	Liquid Limit:			
	Test Type: CU w/pp	Plasticity Limit:			
Strain Rate (in/min): 0.00206	Spec. Gravity (Assumed): 2.72				
Strain Rate (%/min): 0.050					
Diameter (in)	A	B	C	D	E
Height (in)	1.94	1.94	1.94		
Water Content (%)	4.12	4.12	4.12		
Dry Density (pcf)	9.8	8.9	14.2		
Void Ratio	133.8	126.7	123.3		
Void Ratio	0.27	0.34	0.38		
Diameter (in)	1.93	1.92	1.90		
Height (in)	4.12	4.11	4.09		
Water Content (%)	9.3	11.1	11.1		
Dry Density (pcf)	135.6	130.5	130.4		
Void Ratio	0.25	0.30	0.30		
Back Pressure (tsf)	5.8	5.8	5.8		
Minor Principal Stress (tsf)	2.00	4.00	8.00		
Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)	19.52	21.50	17.10		
Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)	19.41	21.50	17.10		
Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)	19.31	20.34	16.33		
Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)	0.73	1.97	4.85		
Pore Pressure Parameter "B"	1.0	1.0	1.0		
Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	15.0	15.0	15.0		

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----- Effective  $\phi' = 38.9^\circ$        $c' = 0.00$  (tsf)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Total  $\phi' = 0^\circ$        $c =$  (tsf)

Triaxial Plot Data

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Boring: J010

Depth: 5.5-8

Sample 1			Sample 2			Sample 3			Sample 4			Sample 5		
Strain (%)	Deviator Stress (tsf)	Pore Pressure (tsf)	Strain (%)	Deviator Stress (tsf)	Pore Pressure (tsf)	Strain (%)	Deviator Stress (tsf)	Pore Pressure (tsf)	Strain (%)	Deviator Stress (tsf)	Pore Pressure (tsf)	Strain (%)	Deviator Stress (tsf)	Pore Pressure (tsf)
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
0.12	1.12	0.33	0.12	1.61	0.53	0.12	2.04	0.38						
0.24	1.79	0.55	0.24	2.49	0.99	0.24	3.29	0.96						
0.36	2.20	0.64	0.37	3.13	1.33	0.37	4.05	1.41						
0.49	2.63	0.70	0.49	3.61	1.55	0.49	4.92	2.02						
0.61	3.00	0.73	0.61	4.06	1.72	0.61	5.53	2.50						
0.73	3.36	0.73	0.73	4.42	1.82	0.73	5.99	2.88						
0.85	3.79	0.71	0.85	4.79	1.90	0.86	6.41	3.25						
0.97	4.11	0.68	0.97	5.10	1.94	0.98	6.74	3.55						
1.09	4.44	0.64	1.10	5.46	1.97	1.10	7.03	3.81						
1.21	4.82	0.59	1.22	5.75	1.97	1.22	7.27	4.01						
1.34	5.13	0.55	1.34	6.07	1.96	1.35	7.42	4.16						
1.46	5.47	0.49	1.46	6.36	1.95	1.47	7.63	4.30						
1.58	5.83	0.42	1.58	6.62	1.93	1.59	7.83	4.43						
1.70	6.15	0.36	1.71	6.91	1.90	1.71	8.00	4.52						
1.82	6.52	0.28	1.83	7.20	1.85	1.83	8.16	4.60						
1.94	6.84	0.21	1.95	7.55	1.81	1.96	8.30	4.66						
2.06	7.16	0.13	2.07	7.79	1.76	2.08	8.45	4.71						
2.19	7.46	0.06	2.19	8.07	1.71	2.20	8.60	4.75						
2.31	7.80	-0.02	2.31	8.35	1.66	2.32	8.74	4.78						
2.43	8.09	-0.09	2.44	8.62	1.61	2.45	8.86	4.80						
2.67	8.72	-0.25	2.68	9.12	1.50	2.69	9.15	4.84						
2.91	9.30	-0.41	2.92	9.61	1.39	2.94	9.43	4.85						
3.16	9.91	-0.58	3.17	10.11	1.27	3.18	9.68	4.85						
3.40	10.47	-0.74	3.41	10.59	1.14	3.42	9.93	4.83						
3.64	11.00	-0.90	3.65	11.03	1.03	3.67	10.17	4.81						
3.88	11.54	-1.07	3.90	11.46	0.91	3.91	10.41	4.78						
4.37	12.48	-1.37	4.38	12.23	0.68	4.40	10.92	4.69						
4.86	13.33	-1.65	4.87	12.98	0.45	4.89	11.38	4.60						
5.10	13.71	-1.78	5.36	13.66	0.24	5.14	11.60	4.55						
5.34	14.10	-1.91	5.84	14.24	0.05	5.38	11.83	4.50						
5.58	14.47	-2.03	6.33	14.81	-0.13	5.63	12.02	4.45						
5.83	14.80	-2.14	6.82	15.36	-0.30	5.87	12.21	4.39						
6.07	15.10	-2.24	7.31	15.89	-0.47	6.11	12.39	4.34						
6.31	15.37	-2.34	7.79	16.38	-0.62	6.36	12.56	4.29						
6.56	15.65	-2.44	8.28	16.83	-0.76	6.60	12.72	4.24						
6.80	15.94	-2.53	8.77	17.29	-0.90	6.85	12.90	4.18						
7.04	16.19	-2.62	9.25	17.72	-1.04	7.09	13.04	4.13						
7.28	16.43	-2.69	9.74	18.10	-1.17	7.34	13.19	4.09						
7.77	16.87	-2.84	10.96	18.97	-1.46	7.83	13.51	3.99						
8.26	17.23	-2.96	12.18	19.57	-1.70	8.32	13.82	3.89						
8.74	17.59	-3.07	13.39	19.95	-1.86	8.81	14.12	3.81						
9.23	17.89	-3.16	14.61	20.34	-2.00	9.29	14.43	3.72						
9.71	18.16	-3.25	15.83	20.64	-2.11	9.78	14.69	3.63						
10.93	18.70	-3.41	17.05	20.91	-2.23	11.01	15.23	3.43						
12.14	19.01	-3.54	18.26	21.21	-2.35	12.23	15.66	3.26						
13.35	19.22	-3.61	19.48	21.41	-2.46	13.45	15.95	3.13						
14.57	19.31	-3.65	20.00	21.50	-2.51	14.68	16.33	3.00						
15.78	19.44	-3.72				15.90	16.49	2.92						
17.00	19.49	-3.77				17.12	16.63	2.86						
18.21	19.52	-3.81				18.35	16.80	2.81						
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20.00	19.41	-3.86				20.00	17.10	2.75						

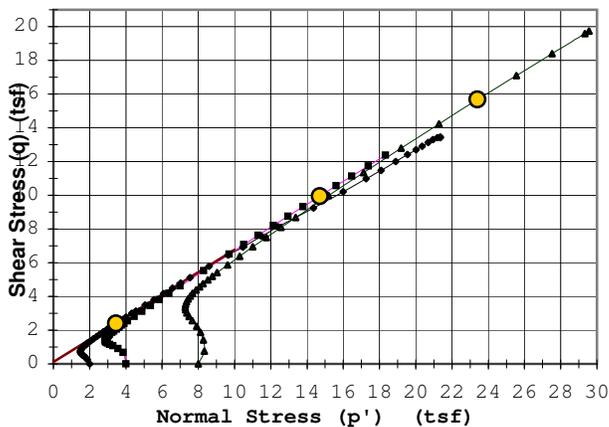
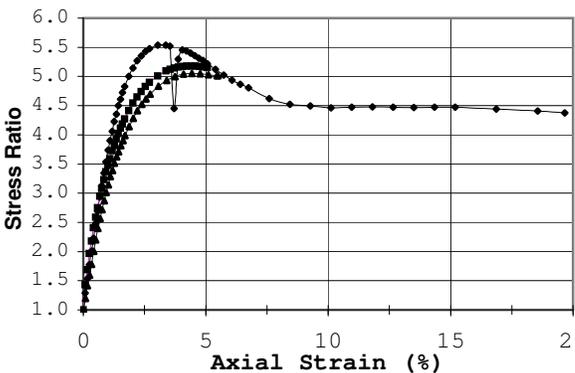
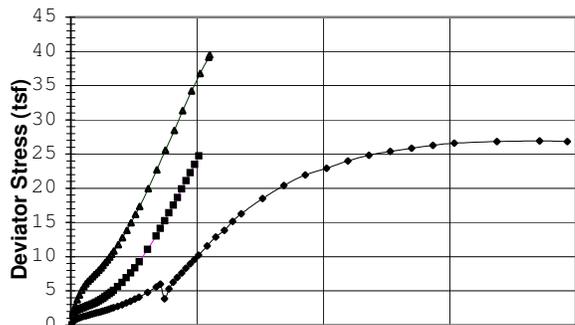
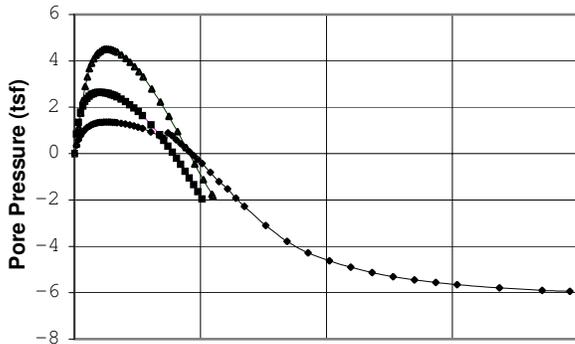
# TRIAXIAL TEST ASTM: D 4767

Job No. 7397

Date: 5/4/10

Project: **PolyMet**  
 Boring #: **J027**  
 Soil Type: **Silty Sand w/gravel (SM)**

Sample #:                      Type: **3T**                      Depth (ft): **10-12.5**



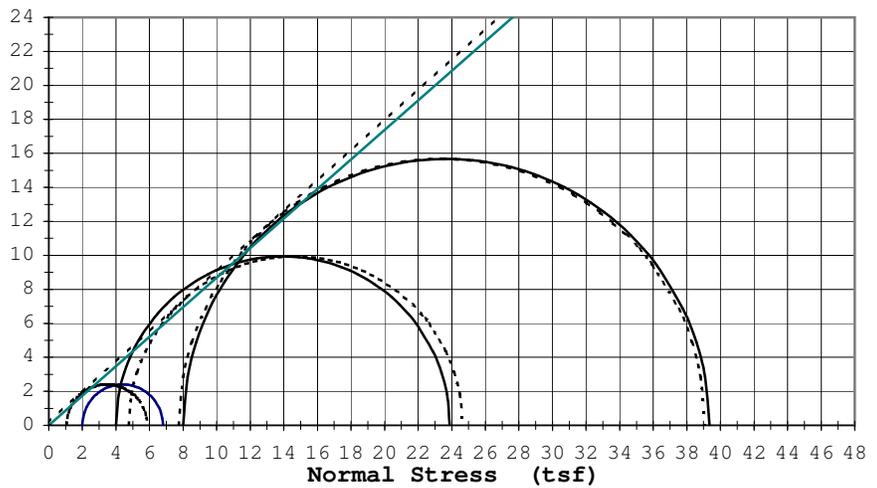
Rupture Envelope at Failure  
 $\alpha = 33.6^\circ$      $a = 0.1$  (tsf)

 ◆	Failure Criterion: <b>Max. Stress Ratio</b>				
	Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 41.7^\circ$ Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.16$ (tsf)				
 ■	Test Date: 4/6/10	Liquid Limit:			
	Test Type: CU w/pp	Plastic Limit:			
 △	Strain Rate (in/min): 0.0297	Spec. Gravity (Assumed): 2.68			
	Strain Rate (%/min): 0.501				
<b>Before Consolidation</b>					
Diameter (in)	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>
Height (in)	2.88	2.88	2.88		
Water Content (%)	5.98	5.98	5.98		
Dry Density (pcf)	8.1	8.5	7.5		
Void Ratio	140.7	139.5	139.7		
<b>After Consolidation</b>					
Diameter (in)	0.19	0.20	0.20		
Height (in)	2.87	2.86	2.88		
Water Content (%)	5.93	5.92	5.87		
Dry Density (pcf)	6.3	6.2	6.4		
Void Ratio	143.3	143.4	142.7		
Back Pressure (tsf)	0.17	0.17	0.17		
Minor Principal Stress (tsf)	5.8	5.8	5.8		
Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)	2.00	4.00	8.00		
Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)	26.92				
Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)	26.82				
Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)	4.80	19.88	31.35		
Pore Pressure Parameter "B"	1.36	2.64	4.51		
Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	1.0	1.0	1.0		
	3.0	4.4	4.4		

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Remarks: Radial drainage strips applied to trimmed specimen; Saturated, backpressured until "B" response was 0.95 to 1.00; Consolidated; All Drainage valves closed and immediately sheared.

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_____	Total $\phi'$ : 41.0°	$c = 0.00$ (tsf)

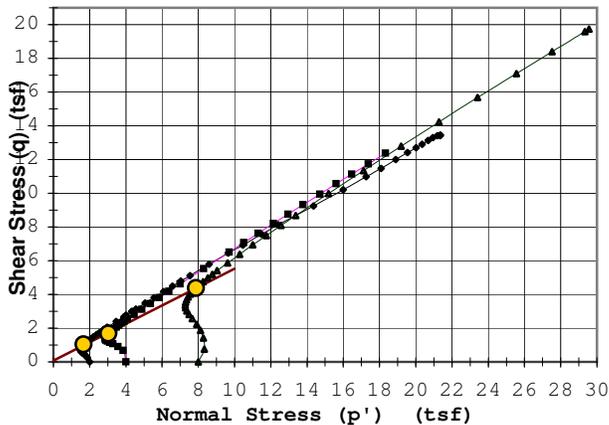
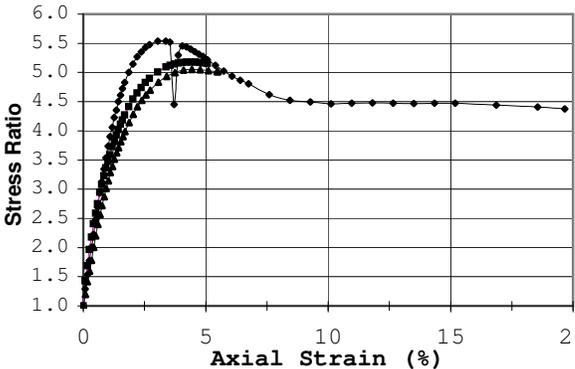
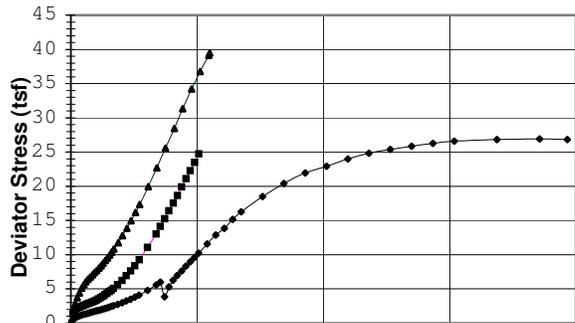
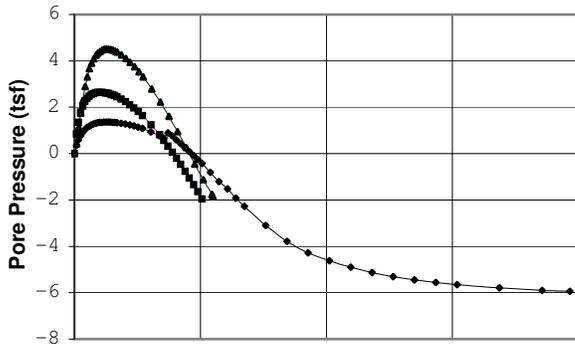
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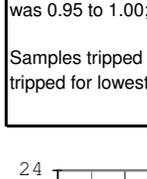
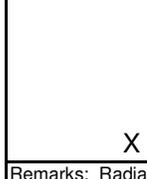
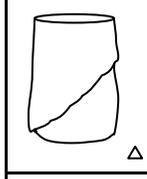
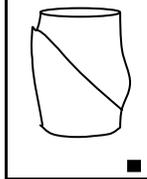
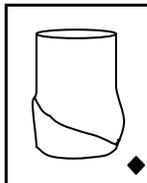
Date: 5/4/10

Project: **PolyMet**  
 Boring #: **J027**      Sample #:  
 Soil Type: **Silty Sand w/gravel (SM)**

Type: **3T**      Depth (ft): **10-12.5**



Rupture Envelope at Failure  
 $\alpha = 28.6^\circ$        $a = 0.1$  (tsf)

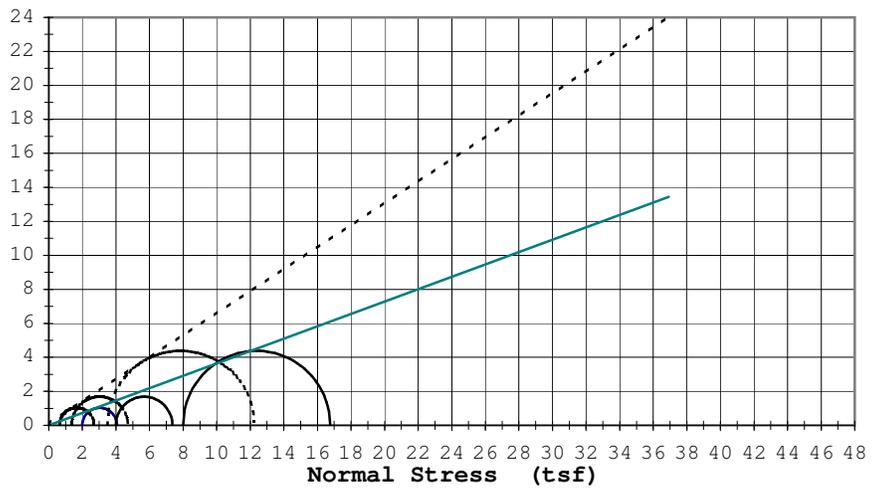


Failure Criterion: <b>Max. Pore Pressure</b>	
Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 33.0^\circ$	
Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.09$ (tsf)	
Test Date: 4/6/10	Liquid Limit:
Test Type: CU w/pp	Plastic Limit:
Strain Rate (in/min): 0.0297	Plasticity Index:
Strain Rate (%/min): 0.501	Spec. Gravity (Assumed): 2.68
<b>Before Consolidation</b>	
Diameter (in)	<b>A</b> <b>B</b> <b>C</b> <b>D</b> <b>E</b>
Height (in)	2.88    2.88    2.88
Water Content (%)	5.98    5.98    5.98
Dry Density (pcf)	8.1    8.5    7.5
Void Ratio	140.7    139.5    139.7
<b>After Consolidation</b>	
Diameter (in)	2.87    2.86    2.88
Height (in)	5.93    5.92    5.87
Water Content (%)	6.3    6.2    6.4
Dry Density (pcf)	143.3    143.4    142.7
Void Ratio	0.19    0.20    0.20
Back Pressure (tsf)	0.17    0.17    0.17
Minor Principal Stress (tsf)	5.8    5.8    5.8
Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)	2.00    4.00    8.00
Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)	26.92
Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)	26.82
Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)	2.06    3.36    8.76
Pore Pressure Parameter "B"	1.36    2.64    4.51
Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	1.0    1.0    1.0
Pct. Axial Strain at Failure	1.3    1.0    1.3

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-----	Effective $\phi'$ : 33.0°	$c' = 0.09$ (tsf)
_____	Total $\phi'$ : 20.0°	$c = 0.00$ (tsf)

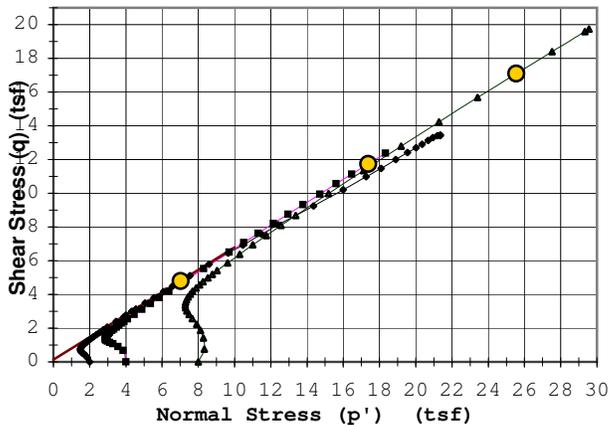
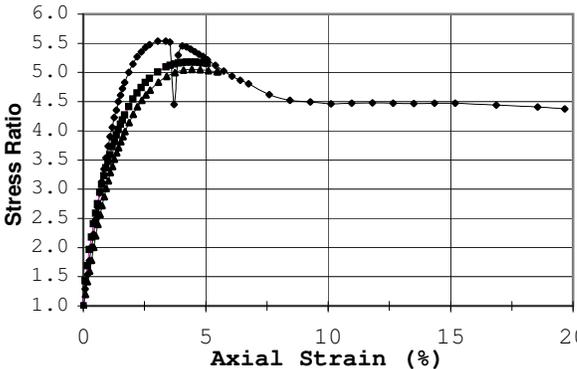
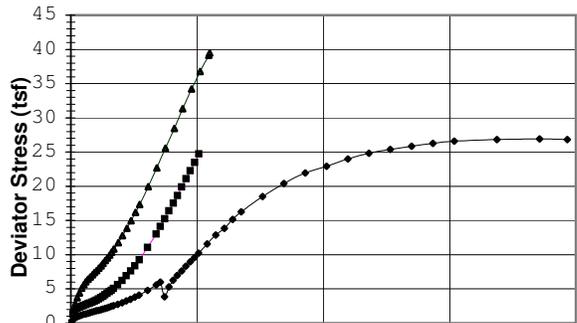
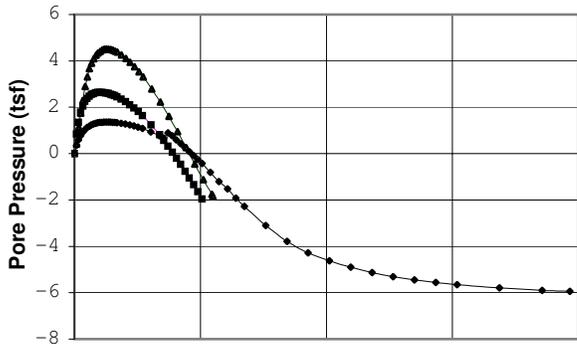
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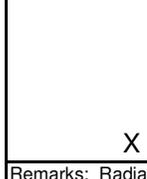
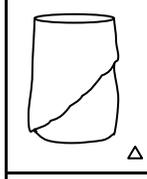
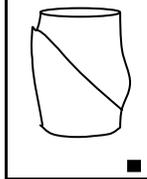
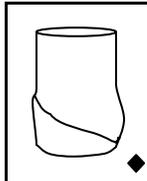
Date: 5/4/10

Project: **PolyMet**  
 Boring #: **J027**  
 Soil Type: **Silty Sand w/gravel (SM)**

Sample #:                      Type: **3T**                      Depth (ft): **10-12.5**



Rupture Envelope at Failure  
 $\alpha = 33.6^\circ$      $a = 0.1$  (tsf)

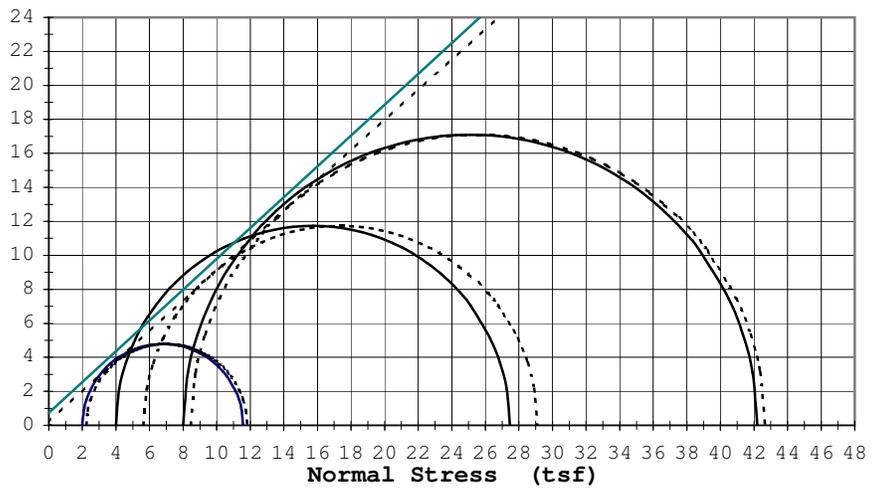


Failure Criterion:		<b>Given Strain of: 5%</b>				
		Angle of internal friction, $\phi' = 41.7^\circ$				
		Apparent Cohesion, $c' = 0.18$ (tsf)				
Test Date: 4/6/10		Liquid Limit:				
Test Type: CU w/pp		Plastic Limit:				
Strain Rate (in/min): 0.0297		Spec. Gravity (Assumed):			2.68	
Strain Rate (%/min): 0.501						
<b>Before Consolidation</b>		<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>E</b>
Diameter (in)		2.88	2.88	2.88		
Height (in)		5.98	5.98	5.98		
Water Content (%)		8.1	8.5	7.5		
Dry Density (pcf)		140.7	139.5	139.7		
Void Ratio		0.19	0.20	0.20		
<b>After Consolidation</b>						
Diameter (in)		2.87	2.86	2.88		
Height (in)		5.93	5.92	5.87		
Water Content (%)		6.3	6.2	6.4		
Dry Density (pcf)		143.3	143.4	142.7		
Void Ratio		0.17	0.17	0.17		
Back Pressure (tsf)		5.8	5.8	5.8		
Minor Principal Stress (tsf)		2.00	4.00	8.00		
Max. Deviator Stress (tsf)		26.92				
Ultimate Deviator Stress (tsf)		26.82				
Deviator Stress at Failure (tsf)		9.57	23.47	34.20		
Max. Pore Pressure Buildup (tsf)		1.36	2.64	4.51		
Pore Pressure Parameter "B"		1.0	1.0	1.0		
Pct. Axial Strain at Failure		5.0	5.0	5.0		

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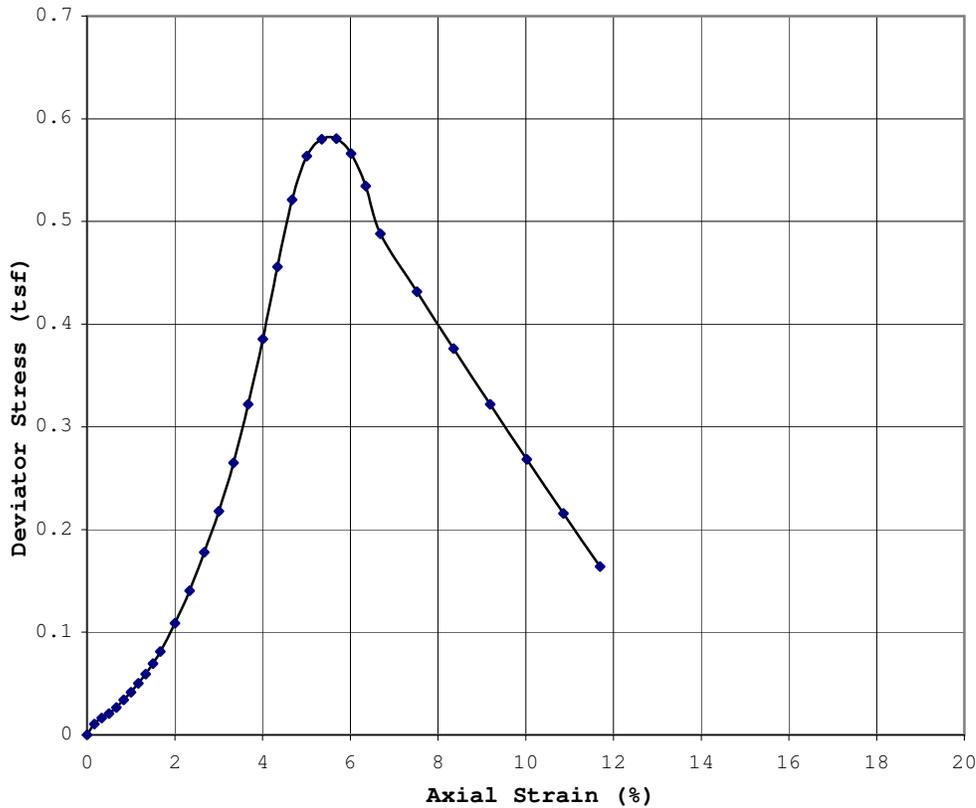


-----	Effective $\phi'$ : 41.7°	$c' = 0.18$ (tsf)
_____	Total $\phi'$ : 42.2°	$c = 0.74$ (tsf)



# Unconfined Stress/Strain Curves ASTM: D2166

Project: PolyMet Job: 7397  
 Client: Barr Engineering Company Date: 5/5/10  
 Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_



Boring: J003T Depth: 5 - 7 (Top)  
 Sample #: \_\_\_\_\_

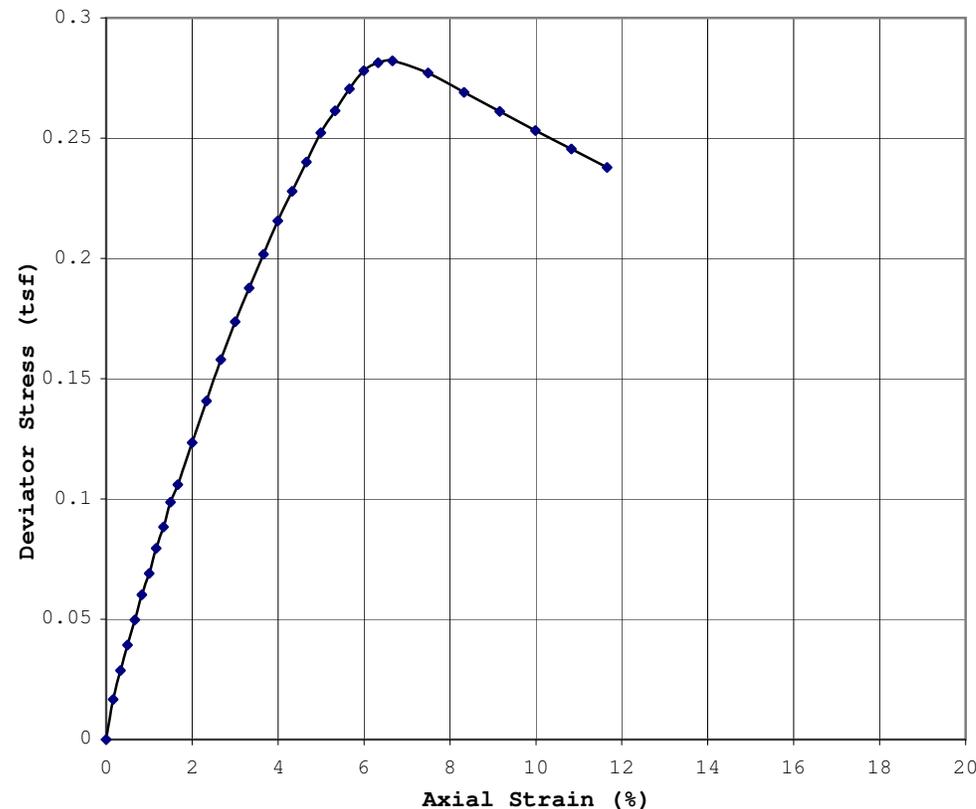
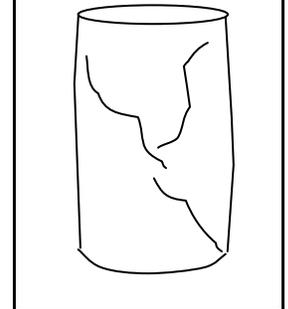
Soil Type: Silty Clay (CL/CL-ML)

Strain Rate (in/min): 0.050  
 Sample Type: 3T  
 Dia. (in) 2.86 Ht. (in) 5.99  
 Height to Diameter Ratio: 2.09

**Unconfined Comp. Strength: 0.58 tsf**  
**Strain at Failure (%): 5.68**

W.C. (%): 21.8  
 Yd (pcf): 105.2

Sketch of Specimen After Failure



Boring: J027 Depth: 4.5 - 6.5 (Top)  
 Sample #: \_\_\_\_\_

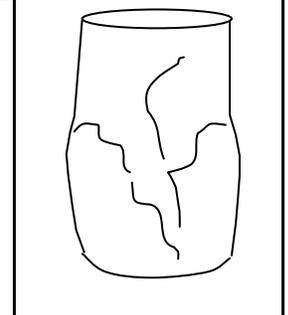
Soil Type: Sapric Peat (PT)

Strain Rate (in/min): 0.050  
 Sample Type: 3T  
 Dia. (in) 2.84 Ht. (in) 6.01  
 Height to Diameter Ratio: 2.11

**Unconfined Comp. Strength: 0.28 tsf**  
**Strain at Failure (%): 6.66**

W.C. (%): 310.0  
 Yd (pcf): 16.9

Sketch of Specimen After Failure



# Hydraulic Conductivity Test Data

Project: PolyMet Date: 5/5/2010

Reported To: Barr Engineering Company Job No.: 7397

Boring No.:	J003	J010	J010	J027			
Sample No.:							
Depth (ft)	10-13	5.5-8 (mid)	14-16.5 (mid)	4.5-6.5			
Location:							
Sample Type:	3T	3T	3T	3T			
Soil Type:	Silty Clayey Sand w/gravel, gray (SC-SM/SM)	Silty Sand w/a little gravel (SM/SC-SM)	Silty Sand w/gravel (SM/SC-SM)	Sapric Peat w/a few pieces of stems and wood (PT)			
Atterberg Limits							
LL							
PL							
PI							
Permeability Test	Undisturbed	Undisturbed	Undisturbed	Undisturbed			
Before Test Conditions:	Saturation %:						
	Porosity:						
	Ht. (in):	3.31	2.87	3.00	3.42		
	Dia. (in):	2.89	2.87	2.86	2.82		
	Dry Density (pcf):	134.2	134.7	138.1	16.0		
	Water Content:	9.0%	11.2%	8.1%	327.6%		
Test Type:	Falling	Falling	Falling	Falling			
Max Head (ft):	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0			
Confining press. (Effective-psi):	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0			
Trial No.:	12-16	3-7	6-10	7-11			
Water Temp °C:	22.0	22.0	22.0	21.0			
% Compaction							
% Saturation (After Test)	99.4%	99.1%	99.4%				

### Coefficient of Permeability

K @ 20 °C (cm/sec)	<b>3.1 x 10<sup>-7</sup></b>	<b>4.7 x 10<sup>-7</sup></b>	<b>9.4 x 10<sup>-7</sup></b>	<b>3.6 x 10<sup>-7</sup></b>			
K @ 20 °C (ft/min)	<b>6.2 x 10<sup>-7</sup></b>	<b>9.3 x 10<sup>-7</sup></b>	<b>1.8 x 10<sup>-6</sup></b>	<b>7.0 x 10<sup>-7</sup></b>			

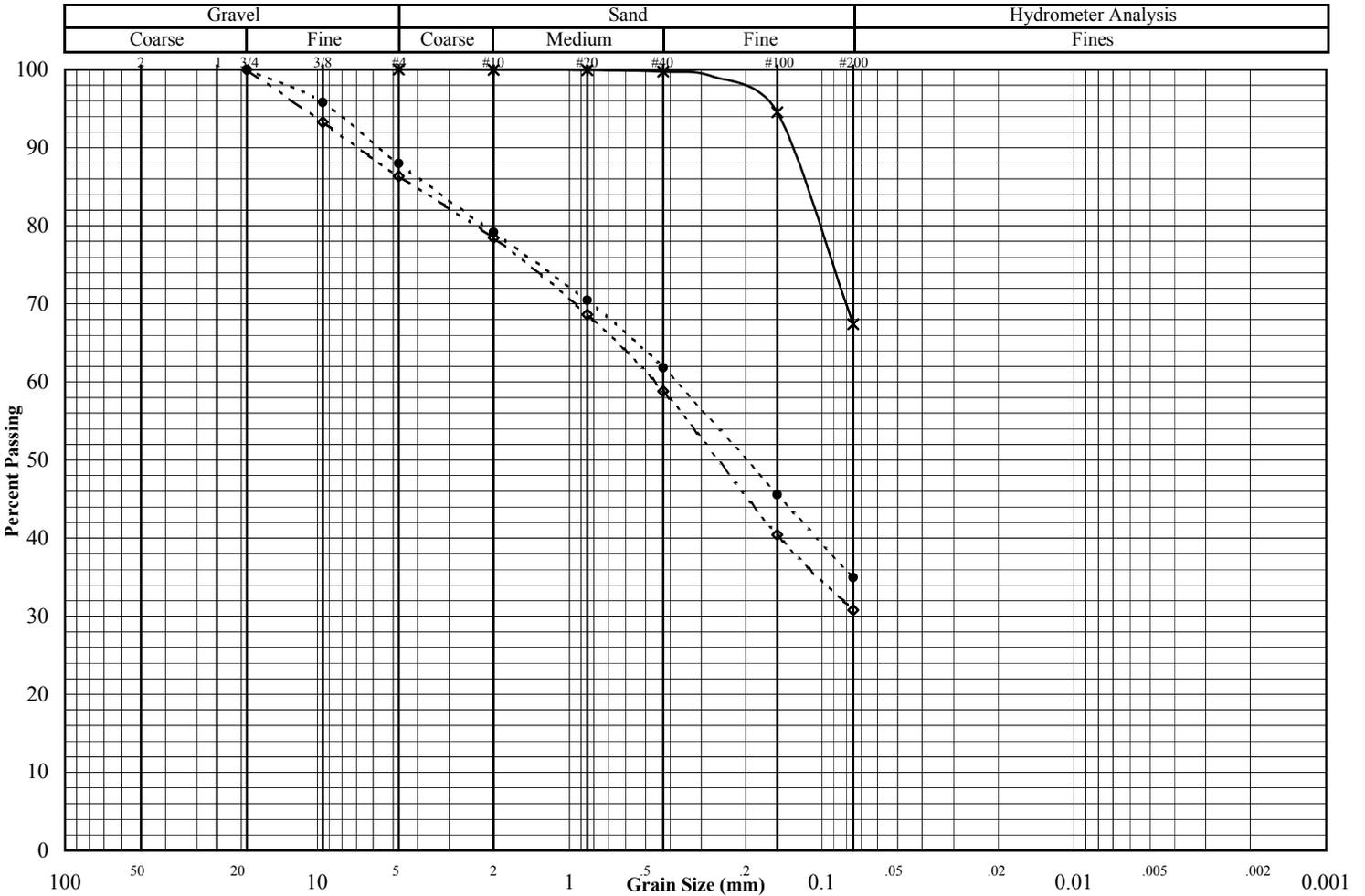
Notes:

# Grain Size Distribution ASTM D422

Job No. : **7397**

Project:	PolyMet	Test Date:	4/29/10
Reported To:	Barr Engineering Company	Report Date:	5/3/10

	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	J003		4.5-6	Jar	Sandy Silty Clay (CL-ML/CL)
●	J003		19.5-21	Jar	Clayey Sand w/a little gravel (SC)
◇	J010		4.5-6	Jar	Silty Sand w/a little gravel (SM)



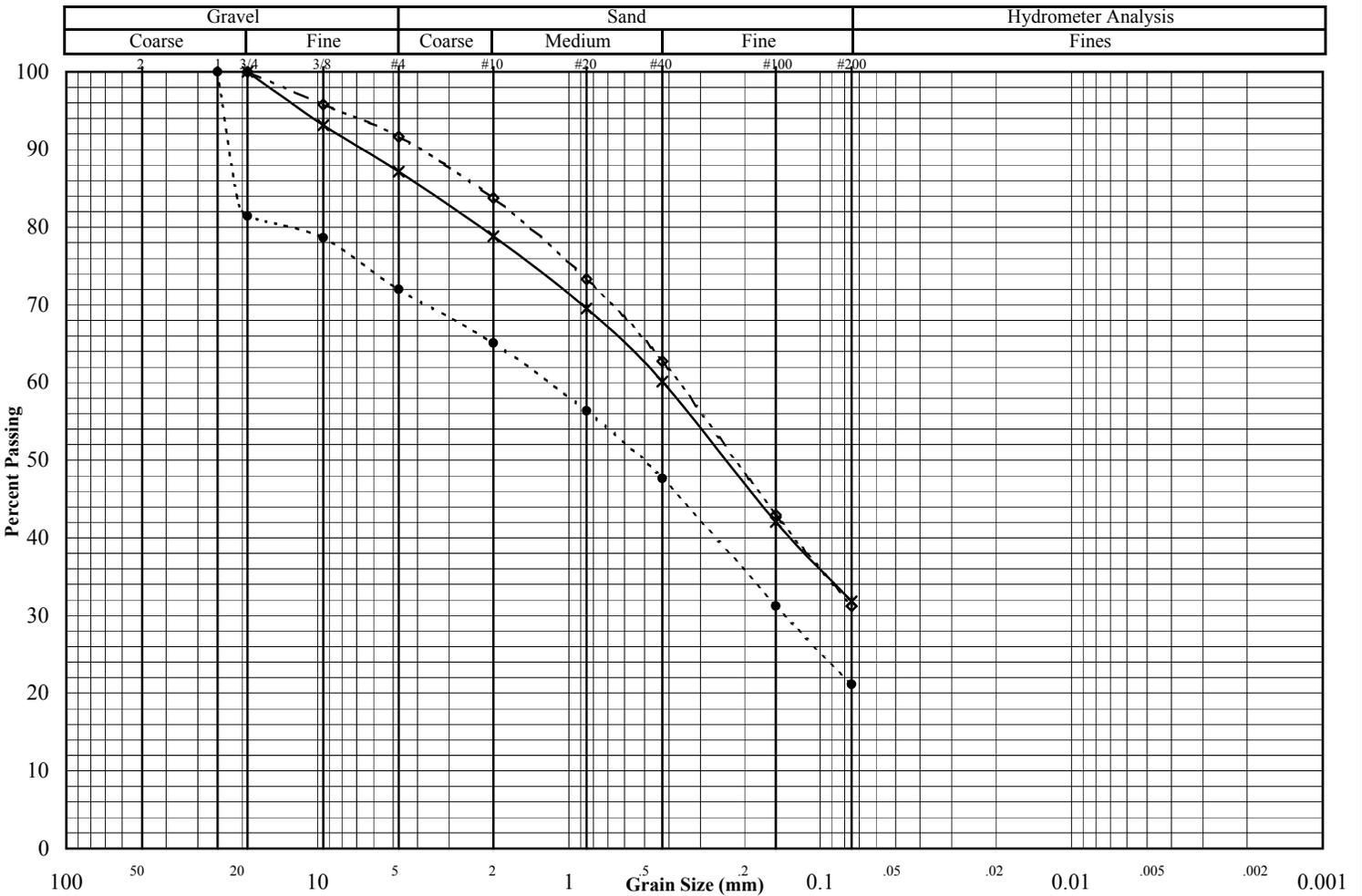
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	*	●	◇		*	●	◇	
Liquid Limit				144.6	301.1	229.3	D <sub>60</sub>	
Plastic Limit				2"			D <sub>30</sub>	
Plasticity Index				1.5"			D <sub>10</sub>	
Water Content	25.0	8.1	8.2	1"			C <sub>u</sub>	
Dry Density (pcf)				3/4"	100.0	100.0	C <sub>c</sub>	
Specific Gravity				3/8"	95.8	93.2	Remarks: <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div>	
Porosity				#4	100.0	88.0		
Organic Content				#10	100.0	79.2		
pH				#20	99.9	70.5		
Shrinkage Limit				#40	99.7	61.8		
Penetrometer				#100	94.5	45.5		
Qu (psf)				#200	67.4	34.9		
(* = assumed)								

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	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	J010		9.5-11	Jar	Silty Sand w/a little gravel (SM)
●	J027		12-13.5	Jar	Silty Sand w/gravel (SM)
◇	J027		22-23.5	Jar	Silty Sand w/a little gravel (SM)



	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit			
Plastic Limit			
Plasticity Index			
Water Content	7.8	7.1	6.6
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity			
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			

(\* = assumed)

	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	298.1	247.9	277.7
2"			
1.5"			
1"		100.0	
3/4"	100.0	81.5	100.0
3/8"	93.1	78.7	95.8
#4	87.1	72.0	91.7
#10	78.8	65.1	83.8
#20	69.5	56.3	73.3
#40	60.1	47.6	62.7
#100	42.1	31.2	42.9
#200	31.8	21.1	31.2

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
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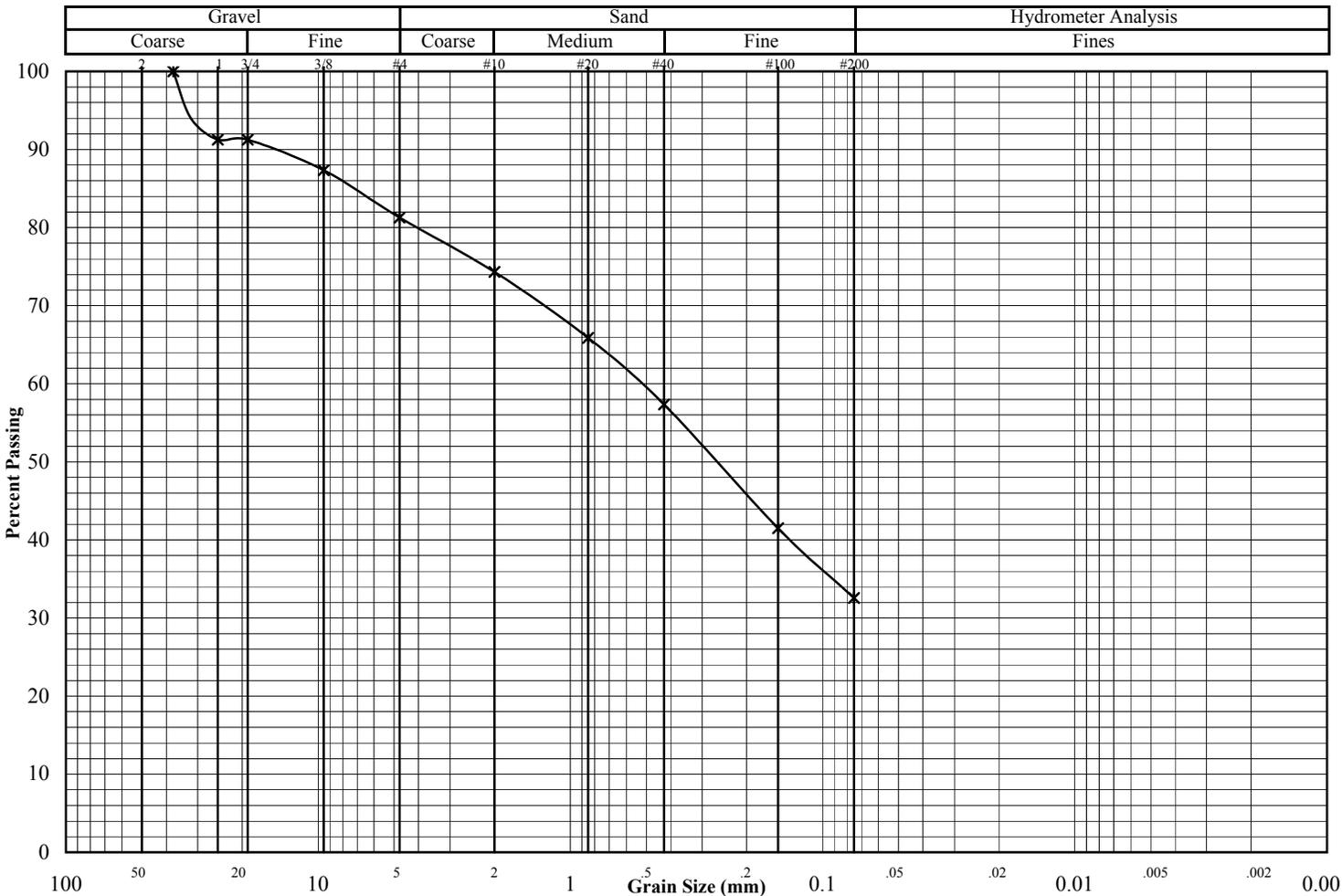
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Test Date: 4/29/10  
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	Location / Boring No.	Sample No.	Depth (ft)	Sample Type	Soil Classification
*	J037		9.5-11	Jar	Silty Sand w/ gravel (SM)
●					
◇					



	*	●	◇
Liquid Limit			
Plastic Limit			
Plasticity Index			
Water Content	8.4		
Dry Density (pcf)			
Specific Gravity			
Porosity			
Organic Content			
pH			
Shrinkage Limit			
Penetrometer			
Qu (psf)			
(* = assumed)			

	*	●	◇
Mass (g)	360.4		
2"			
1.5"	100.0		
1"	91.2		
3/4"	91.2		
3/8"	87.4		
#4	81.3		
#10	74.3		
#20	65.9		
#40	57.3		
#100	41.5		
#200	32.6		

	*	●	◇
D <sub>60</sub>			
D <sub>30</sub>			
D <sub>10</sub>			
C <sub>u</sub>			
C <sub>c</sub>			

Remarks:

## Laboratory Test Summary

**Project:**

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**Job:** 7397

**Client:**

Barr Engineering Company

**Date:** 5/3/10

### Sample Information & Classification

Boring No.	J003	J027				
Sample No.						
Depth	0-2	4.5-6				
Sample Type	Jar	Jar				
Classification	Sapric Peat (PT)	Sapric Peat w/a few pieces of stems and wood (PT)				
Moisture Content (%)	328.7	287.3				

### Organic Content (ASTM:D2974)

Organic Content (%)	40.6	52.8				
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**Attachment F**

**Depth to Bedrock Boring ID and Coordinate Location**

**Table 1**  
**Depth to Bedrock Data - Category 1 Stockpile**

<b>ID</b>	<b>Easting</b>	<b>Northing</b>	<b>Depth (ft)</b>
26024	2899039.8	736964	40
07-551C	2897364.3	735116.6	17.6
10-571C	2895923.4	734404.5	30.4
10-572C	2896441.8	734404.9	11.7
10-573C	2898280.8	737636.9	9.5
10-574C	2897307.4	735649	17.7
MW-05-09	2898244.9	737485	13
SB-05-10	2898269	738706	4
TGP-4	2896257.1	734678.1	13.5
TGP-5	2895791.3	734529.8	14
TGP-6	2895633.1	735044.8	20
V06-126	2903006.8	740029.6	19
V06-128	2902328.4	739385.5	17
V06-131	2901635.8	739460.1	12
V06-132	2901651.5	740054.1	17
V06-136	2900980.5	738724.1	17
V06-137	2901002.6	739383.7	11
V06-138	2901064.1	739987.6	9
V06-140	2900373.5	738680.6	7
V06-141	2900395.6	739320.6	8
V06-144	2899740.1	738699.5	9
V06-145	2899745.8	739339.4	7
V06-65	2895040.6	733961.1	17
V06-66	2894289.1	733983	15
V06-67	2894284.9	734606.5	13
V06-70	2895664.2	733902.8	28
V06-72	2896411.4	734609.4	19
V06-73	2895535.3	734559	13
V06-74	2895036.4	734669.9	10
V06-75	2896998	735259.9	4
V06-78	2895002.7	735273.7	18
V06-79	2896983.9	735968.8	9
V06-80	2896344.1	735918.7	21
V06-82	2895031.4	735900.5	21
V06-83	2894388.2	735922.6	13
V06-84	2894346.5	735203.9	27
V06-85	2896399	736555.4	6
V06-86	2895690.2	736557.7	11
V06-87	2895043.7	736550.3	16
V06-89	2896293.1	737208.3	7
V06-90	2896936.3	737202.6	5
V06-91	2896943.8	736543	10
V06-92	2897554.1	736583.2	7
V06-93	2897594.4	735881	8
V06-94	2898224.5	735826	6
V06-95	2897588.7	735241	18
V06-96	2898243.3	736515.2	23
V06-98	2898091.5	737122.1	30

**Table 1**  
**Depth to Bedrock Data - Category 1 Stockpile**

<b>ID</b>	<b>Easting</b>	<b>Northing</b>	<b>Depth (ft)</b>
V07-01	2899023.2	737353	23
V07-02	2898514.5	737381.9	38
V07-03	2899061.7	738058.6	8
V07-04	2898428.3	738084.1	5
V07-05	2897726	738056.9	14
V07-06	2897023.8	738003.4	9
V07-11	2898325.7	738674.6	6
V07-12	2899051	738695.3	11
V07-63	2900915.3	738386	8

**Table 2**  
**Depth to Bedrock Data - Category 2/3 Stockpile**

<b>ID</b>	<b>Easting</b>	<b>Northing</b>	<b>Depth (ft)</b>
RS-17B	2907889.1	737407.6	11
TGP-10	2909310.1	738095.3	8
TGP-11	2910688.5	738008.6	6
TGP-12	2909910.3	738355.4	5
TGP-13	2909796.2	737784.2	9
TGP-14	2909274.6	737622.7	3.5
TGP-15	2907926.4	737200.9	11.5
TGP-8	2908447.1	738022	4.5
TGP-9	2908811.7	737792.8	8.5
V06-01	2907933.1	737148.4	7
V06-02	2908129.2	737729.5	1.5
V06-03	2908513.2	737697.2	1
V06-05	2909041.7	737533.8	18
V06-06	2909041.1	738012.9	2
V06-07	2909056.9	738456	5
V06-101	2912232.7	739073.9	3
V06-102	2912313.9	739684.4	1
V06-110	2908769	737819	2
V06-117	2908673.8	737815.6	5
V06-12	2909786.3	737774.4	9
V06-13	2909749.7	738200.9	16
V06-16	2910334.1	737965.5	9
V06-17	2910399	738513.6	2
V06-30	2911731.7	738223.3	1
V06-31	2911780	738912.5	1
V06-32	2911071.3	738842.6	4.5
V06-33	2911003.2	738222.3	6
V06-37	2912981.5	738638.4	3
V06-38	2912944.6	739173.3	24
V06-39	2912963.5	739757.4	16
V06-54	2912322	738499.7	1

**Table 3**  
**Depth to Bedrock Data - Category 4 Stockpile**

<b>ID</b>	<b>Easting</b>	<b>Northing</b>	<b>Depth (ft)</b>
26013	2903513.3	738815.5	8.7
26033	2903830.1	738320	8
26038	2902726.9	738789.4	9
26046	2903147.7	738180	5
26060	2903516.8	738812	10
00-327C	2903150.4	738883	5
00-329B	2902373	738564	13
00-330C	2903328.7	738664.9	5
00-333B	2902433.3	738668	10
00-335B	2902623.2	738332.7	17
00-336B	2902833.4	738642	11
00-338B	2902900.8	738360	11
00-343C	2903797.2	739094	7
00-357C	2902886.5	738494	5
05-447G	2902809.4	737893.4	10.8
07-557C	2903638.4	738135	9
99-301B	2902879.4	738507	8.5
99-302B	2904215.9	738942	9
99-303B	2902503.6	738527	14
99-305BC	2903421.5	738283.3	9
99-306B	2904003.4	738854	11
99-314B	2903067.8	739052	7
99-315B	2903635.2	739307	28
99-316B	2903380.4	739094	15
99-318C	2903736.5	738538	10
99-320C	2903377.2	738396	10
RS-05A	2902806.1	737941.6	13
RS-12	2903622.1	739320.2	22
V07-09	2903297.4	738671.4	5

**Table 4**  
**Depth to Bedrock Data - Ore Surge Pile**

<b>ID</b>	<b>Easting</b>	<b>Northing</b>	<b>Depth (ft)</b>
26075	2905238	736082	6
RS-18A	2904940.5	736178.5	8
V06-23	2905971.6	736459.9	8.5
V06-24	2905987.3	736948.9	8
V07-77	2905558.9	735875.2	9

## **Attachment G**

### **Underdrain Design Computations**



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**OBJECTIVE:**

The objective is to estimate the required underdrain pipe sizes capable of accommodating seepage flows due to consolidation of subgrade materials when subjected to waste rock loading. Four cases were analyzed:

- Case 1: A double drained layer assuming relatively pervious fractured bedrock and a hydraulic conductivity of subgrade soils of  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec.
- Case 2: A single drained layer assuming impervious bedrock surface and a hydraulic conductivity of subgrade soils of  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec.
- Case 3: A double drained layer with a hydraulic conductivity of subgrade soils of  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  cm/sec.
- Case 4: A single drained layer with a subgrade soils hydraulic conductivity of  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  cm/sec.

**GIVEN:**

- Maximum depth to bedrock (see Attachment 2).
- Maximum height of stockpile fill year 1, year 5 and year 20 (see Attachment 2).
- Underdrain pipe layout configuration.

**GEOMETRY:**

- Figure 1 shows the depth to bedrock isopach map and site layout.

**MATERIAL PROPERTIES:**

- The parameters presented in Table 1 were used for the underdrain calculations.

**Table 1  
Material Parameters**

Case	Parameter	Value
1 and 2	Consolidation coefficient ( $C_v$ ) ( $m^2/day$ ) <sup>1</sup>	0.075
1 thru 4	Rock waste unit weight ( $kN/m^3$ ) <sup>1</sup>	19.98
1 thru 4	Manning (ASD N-12) <sup>2</sup>	0.012

<sup>1</sup> per Golder (2006)  
<sup>2</sup> ASD (2007)



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**METHOD:**

**Flow Rate Calculation**

The seepage flow from the compressible soil layer can be calculated from Darcy's equation:

$$v = -K_s \frac{\partial h}{\partial z} \quad (1)$$

where:  $v$  = water flux;  
 $K_s$  = coefficient of permeability; and  
 $\partial h / \partial z$  = hydraulic gradient in the  $z$  direction.

The pressure head can be calculated from the developed pore water pressure:

$$h = \frac{u}{\gamma_w} \quad (2)$$

where:  $h$  = total head;  
 $u$  = average pressure; and  
 $\gamma_w$  = water unit weight

One can utilize Terzaghi's consolidation theory to determine the pore pressure distribution within a compressible soil layer as:

$$u = \sum_{n=1}^{n=\infty} \left( \frac{1}{H} \int_0^{2H} u_i \sin \frac{n \pi z}{2H} dz \right) \sin \left( \frac{n \pi z}{2H} \right) \exp \left( \frac{-n^2 \pi^2 T_v}{4} \right) \quad (3)$$

where:  $u$  = pore pressure;  
 $H$  = length of the longest drainage path;  
 $n = 2m + 1$   
 $z$  = location of point of evaluation in the  $z$  direction; and  
 $T_v$  = nondimensional time factor is equal to  $C_v t / H^2$ , where  $C_v$  is the coefficient of consolidation and  $t$  is time.



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For the case of a constant water pressure with depth, Equation 3 can be simplified to (Das 1997):

$$u_{(z,t)} = \sum_{m=0}^{m=\infty} \frac{2u_0}{M} \sin\left(\frac{Mz}{H}\right) \exp(-M^2 T_v) \quad (4)$$

where:  $u_0$  = initial water pore pressure  
 $M = (2m + 1) \pi/2$

Combining Equations 1, 2, and 4, one obtains the expression for Darcy's velocity as:

$$v_{(z,t)} = -\frac{Ks}{\gamma_w} \sum_{m=1}^{m=\infty} \frac{2u_0}{H} \cos\left(\frac{Mz}{H}\right) \exp(-M^2 T_v) \quad (5)$$

For Case 1, where a double drained layer is assumed, the length of the longest drainage path (H) is equal to half of the total layer thickness. For Case 2, where a single drainage path is considered, the length of the longest drainage path (H) is equal to the total thickness of the compressible layer.

A flow rate reporting to a single underdrain pipe can be approximated as:

$$q = v_{(0,t)} A \quad (6)$$

where:  $q$  = flow rate;  
 $v_{(0,t)}$  = water flux at  $z=0$ ; and  
 $A$  = loading area reporting to a single underdrain pipe;

Equation 6 was used to determine required underdrain pipe capacities.

### **Selection of Equivalent Loading Time**

Equations 5 and 6 assume instantaneous loading scenarios. In reality, the waste rock stockpiles are loaded gradually. Therefore, underdrain flows were determined for an equivalent loading time, the time expected to provide an estimate of a maximum seepage flow reporting to an underdrain pipe over the loading area under consideration. The following procedure was used to calculate the equivalent loading time in (days):

- Estimate the waste rock stockpile footprint;
- Calculate the area per day required to cover the waste rock stockpile footprint for the years 1, 5, 10, 15, and 20. The following equation was used:

$$\text{area per day} = \frac{\text{waste rock stockpile total area for the evaluated year}}{\text{number of days required to cover the area for the evaluated year}}$$



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- Estimate the tertiary underdrain pipe tributary area (i.e., loading area reporting to a single tertiary pipe).

$$\text{tributary area} = \text{maximum pipe length} \times \text{maximum pipe spacing}$$

- The number of days (equivalent loading time) required to cover the tributary area of an underdrain pipe is calculated by:

$$\text{number of days} = \frac{\text{tributary area}}{\text{area per day}}$$

- Both cumulative tertiary pipe flows and the corresponding tributary areas for years 1, 5, 10, 15, and 20 were considered for the primary and secondary pipe sizing.

### Discharge Rate Calculation

Discharge rates were calculated from the Manning's equation:

$$Q = \frac{1.486 A R^{2/3} S^{1/2}}{n} \quad (7)$$

where:  $Q$  = pipe capacity (cfs);

$n$  = Manning's "n";

$A$  = cross-sectional flow area of the pipe (ft<sup>2</sup>);

$R$  = hydraulic radius (ft), where  $R = A/P$ ,  $P$  is the wetted perimeter in ft;

$S$  = pipe slope (feet/foot)

For a specific full-flowing pipe the parameters  $n$ ,  $A$ , and  $R$  could be defined as constants. The conveyance factor for a specific pipe size can then be defined as:

$$k = \frac{1.486 A R^{2/3}}{n} \quad (8)$$

After substituting Equation 8 in Equation 7, Manning's formula can be reduced to:

$$Q = k S^{1/2} \quad (9)$$



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Equation 9 can be written as:

$$k = \frac{Q}{S^{1/2}} \quad (10)$$

Attachment 3 shows the conveyance factor for different pipe sizes (ADS, 2007).

### **Tertiary Underdrain Pipes**

The tertiary underdrain pipes were designed based on:

- The tributary area (e.g 350 ft x 100 ft); and
- The flux rate at the calculated equivalent loading time (equal to the number of days required to cover the tributary area for a single underdrain pipe).

### **Secondary Underdrain Collector Pipes**

The secondary underdrain pipes were designed to accommodate the time-variant flux from the tertiary underdrain pipes. The flow was calculated using the loading rate required to cover the corresponding stockpile footprint and the time required to load the corresponding tributary area:

$$Q_{secondary} = Av_{(0,T1)} + Av_{(0,T2)} \cdots + Av_{(0,Tn-1)} + Av_{(0,Tn)} \quad (11)$$

$$Q_{secondary} = A \sum_{T=1 \text{ day}}^{T=n \text{ days}} v_{(0,T)} \quad (12)$$

where:

- $Q_{secondary}$  = water flow in the secondary pipe (volume per day);  
 $A$  = calculated loading rate (area per day) required to cover the waste rock stockpile footprint under consideration in N years;  
 $v_{(0,T)}$  = calculated seepage rate at time T and Z=0 (see Equation 5);

The number of days “n” can be calculated from the following expression:

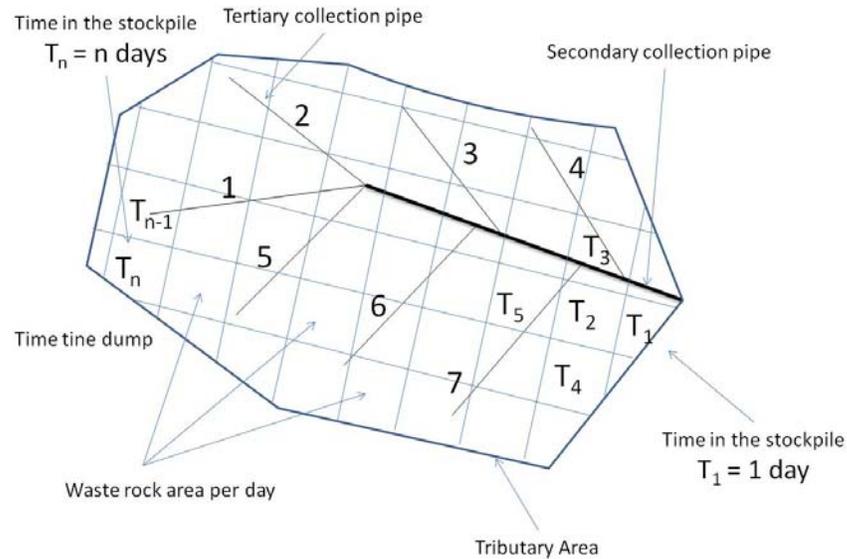
$$\text{number of days} = \frac{\text{tributary area}}{\text{area per day}}$$



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The tributary area “A” can be estimated by multiplying the tertiary pipe spacing (100 ft) with the total length of tertiary pipes.

### **ASSUMPTIONS:**

- Minimum drain pipe slope 0.5%;
- Compressible subgrade soil layer is homogenous;
- The compressible subgrade soil layer is saturated;
- Darcy’s law is valid;
- The coefficient of consolidation  $C_v$  is constant during the consolidation;
- A factor of safety (FS) of 1.2 will be applied to the capacity of pipes;
- The maximum length for the Category 1 Stockpile tertiary underdrain pipe is 350 feet;
- The maximum pipe length for the waste rock stockpile tertiary underdrain collector pipe is 256 feet except for Category 1 Stockpile;
- The maximum spacing between tertiary underdrain pipes is 100 feet;
- The parameters in Table 2 were used for seepage calculations and underdrain pipe sizing.



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**Table 2  
Assumed Material Parameters for Calculations**

<i>Case</i>	<i>Parameter</i>	
1 and 2	Consolidation coefficient (C <sub>v</sub> ) (m <sup>2</sup> /day) <sup>1</sup>	0.075
1 and 2	Soil Hydraulic Conductivity (Ks) (cm/sec)	1x10 <sup>-7</sup>
3 and 4	Consolidation coefficient (C <sub>v</sub> ) (m <sup>2</sup> /day)	0.058
3 and 4	Soil Hydraulic Conductivity (Ks) (cm/sec)	1x10 <sup>-5</sup>

**CALCULATIONS:**

**Flow Rate Calculation**

Flow rate calculations for each considered case are shown in the following attachments:

- Attachment 4-1: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 1 Stockpile, year 1;
- Attachment 4-1-1: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 1 Stockpile, year 20;
- Attachment 4-2: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 1 Stockpile, year 1;
- Attachment 4-2-1: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 1 Stockpile, year 20;
  
- Attachment 4-3: Case 1 and Case 2, Ore Surge Pile, year 1;
- Attachment 4-4: Case 3 and Case 4, Ore Surge Pile, year 1;
  
- Attachment 4-5: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 4 Stockpile, year 1;
- Attachment 4-5-1: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 4 Stockpile, year 20;
- Attachment 4-6: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 4 Stockpile, year 1;
- Attachment 4-6-1: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 4 Stockpile, year 20;
  
- Attachment 4-9: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 1;
- Attachment 4-9-1: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 20;
- Attachment 4-10: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 1;
- Attachment 4-10-1: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 20;



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### **Time Selection**

- The equivalent loading time calculations are shown in Attachment 5.

### **Tertiary Underdrain Pipes**

Detailed calculations used for the tertiary underdrain pipe sizing are enclosed as:

- Attachment 6-1: Calculations for  $K_s=1 \times 10^{-7}$  cm/sec;
- Attachment 6-2: Calculations for  $K_s=1 \times 10^{-5}$  cm/sec.

### **Primary and Secondary Underdrain Pipes**

The primary and secondary underdrain pipes will be laid approximately perpendicular to the stockpile liner contours. The pipes were sized to collect the inflows from the corresponding tributary areas as shown in the following Attachments:

- Attachment 7-1: Category 1 Stockpile, year 1;
- Attachment 7-2: Ore Surge Pile, year 1;
- Attachment 7-3: Category 4 Stockpile, year 1;
- Attachment 7-5: Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 1;

### **RESULTS:**

Calculations indicate that Case 4 is critical for the tertiary pipe sizing. The calculated pipe diameter varies from 6-inch to 18-inch.

### **REFERENCES:**

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**ATTACHMENT 1**  
**CONSOLIDATION PARAMETERS**

# ONE-DIMENSIONAL CONSOLIDATION

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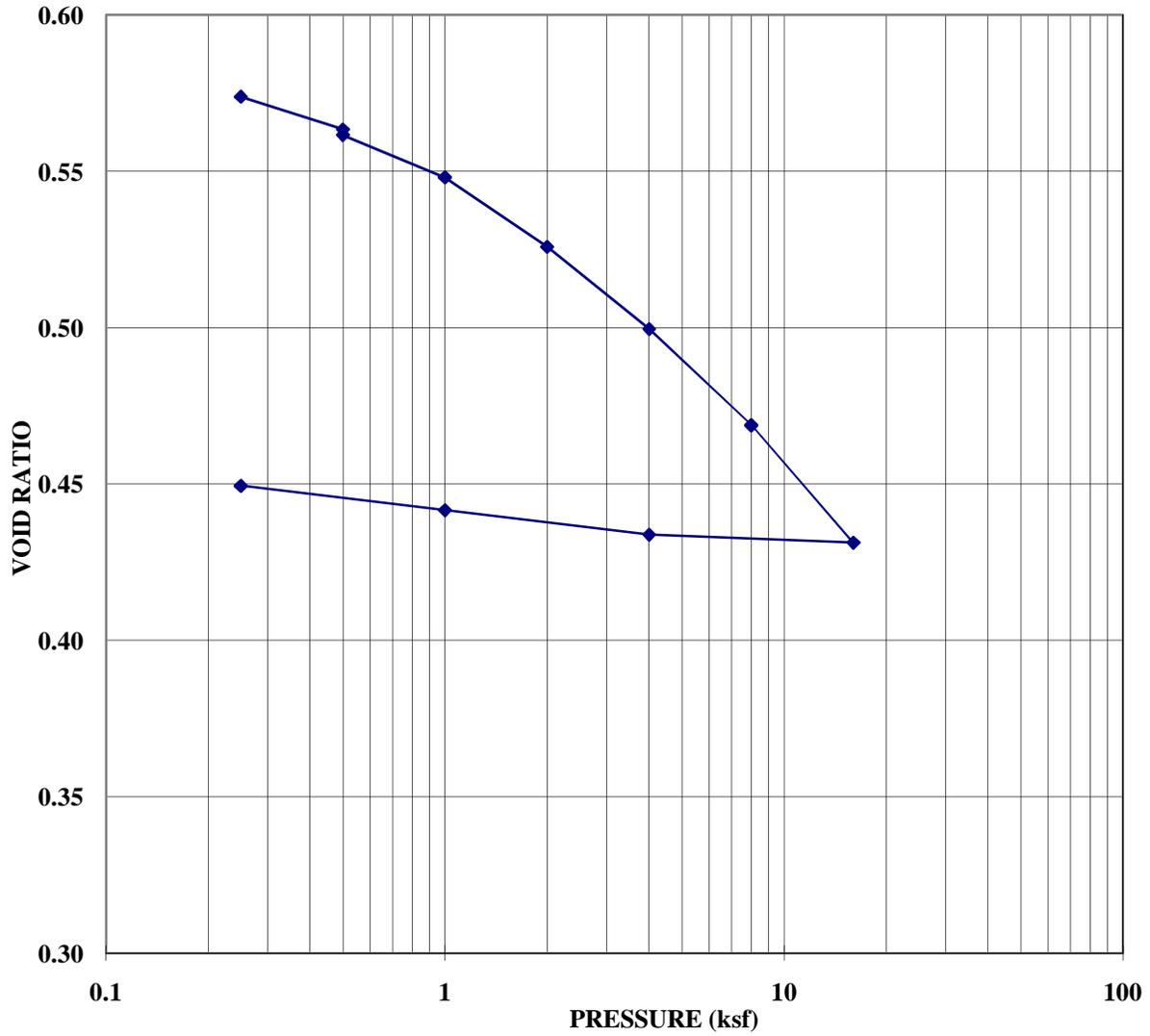
<b>Polymet/Mine Waste Impound Dsgn/MN 053-2209</b>	<b>SAMPLE: G06-TP5 @ 0.5'-4'</b>	<b>DATE</b>	5/16/2006
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SAMPLE DATA, GENERAL	SAMPLE DATA, INITIAL	SAMPLE DATA, FINAL			
height (in)	1.075	total height (in)	1.075	total height (in)	0.982
diameter (in)	1.928	height of solids (in)	0.678	height of solids (in)	0.678
area (in <sup>2</sup> )	2.919	height of voids (in)	0.397	height of voids (in)	0.304
volume (in <sup>3</sup> )	3.138	void ratio	0.585	void ratio	0.448
specimen weight,wet (g)	104.82	dry density (pcf)	106.2	dry density (pcf)	116.5
specimen weight,dry (g)	87.67	moist density (pcf)	127.2	moist density (pcf)	139.8
water weight (g)	17.15				
DESCRIPTION	MOISTURE CONTENT, INITIAL	MOISTURE CONTENT, FINAL			
<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; min-height: 40px;">Olive brown clayey sand</div>	tare #	G5	tare #	M9	
	wt soil&tare,moist	48.94	wt soil&tare,moist	127.60	
	wt soil&tare,dry	43.22	wt soil&tare,dry	110.60	
	wt tare	13.98	wt tare	25.54	
	wt moisture	5.72	wt moisture	17.00	
	wt dry soil	29.24	wt dry soil	85.06	
	% moisture	19.6%	% moisture	20.0%	
LL: - PL: - PI: - Gs: 2.70 <i>Assumed</i>					

PRESSURE (ksf)	h100 Sample Height	D50 Sample Height	t50 TIME (min)	Sample Density (pcf)	VOID RATIO e	DRAINAGE PATH (DOUBLE DRAINAGE)		DRAINAGE PATH (DOUBLE DRAINAGE)		COEFFICIENT OF CONSOLIDATION		Cc
						H (in)	H (cm)	H <sup>2</sup> (in <sup>2</sup> )	H <sup>2</sup> (cm <sup>2</sup> )	Cv (cm <sup>2</sup> /sec)	(ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	
0.250	1.0662	-	-	107.1	0.574	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0.500	1.0591	-	-	107.8	0.563	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0.500	1.0579	-	-	107.9	0.562	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.0	1.0487	1.0542	0.6288	108.8	0.548	0.5271	1.3389	0.2778	1.7925	9.36E-03	8.73E-01	0.045
2.0	1.0337	1.0412	0.5571	110.4	0.526	0.5206	1.3224	0.2710	1.7487	1.03E-02	9.62E-01	0.074
4.0	1.0159	1.0236	0.9694	112.4	0.500	0.5118	1.3000	0.2619	1.6900	5.72E-03	5.34E-01	0.087
8.0	0.9950	1.0046	0.6170	114.7	0.469	0.5023	1.2759	0.2523	1.6279	8.66E-03	8.08E-01	0.102
16.0	0.9696	0.9822	0.5803	117.7	0.431	0.4911	1.2474	0.2412	1.5561	8.80E-03	8.21E-01	0.125
4.0	0.9713	-	-	117.5	0.434	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.0	0.9766	-	-	116.9	0.442	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0.250	0.9819	-	-	116.2	0.449	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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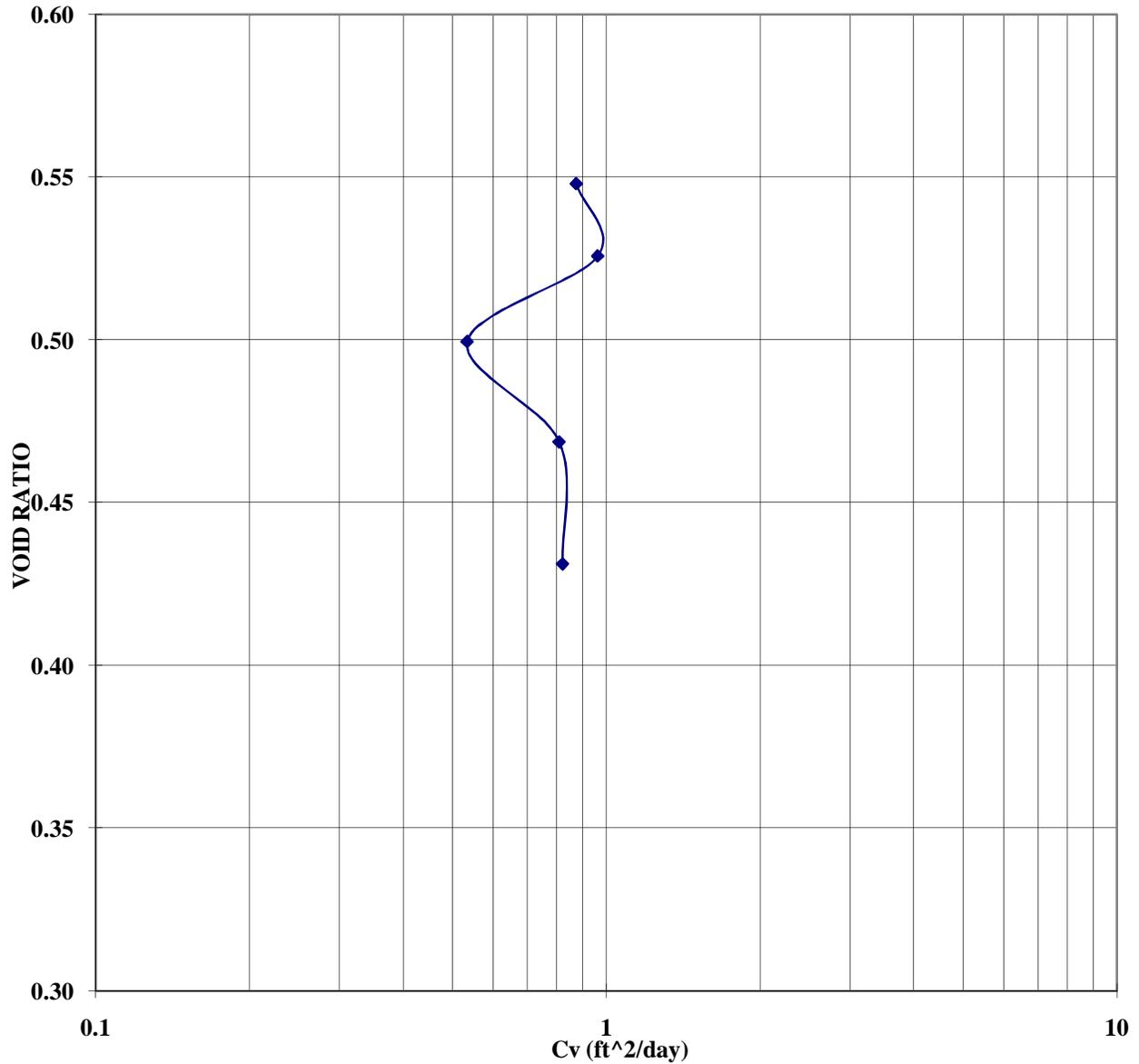
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**ATTACHMENT 2**  
**MAXIMUM DEPTHS TO BEDROCK**

## Attachment 2: Bedrock Depths and Stockpile Heights For Various Years

	Proposed Stockpile name	max depth to bedrock (ft)	max depth to bedrock (m)	max height of stockpile fill 1-yr (ft)	max height of stockpile fill 1-yr (m)	max height of stockpile fill 5-yr (ft)	max height of stockpile fill 5-yr (m)	max height of stockpile fill 20-yr (ft)	max height of stockpile fill 20-yr (m)
1	Category 1 Stockpile	38	11.58	40	12.19	120	36.58	240	73.15
2	Ore Surge Pile	10	3.05	40	12.19	40	12.19	na	na
3	Category 4 Stockpile	28	8.53	40	12.19	80	24.38	90	27.43
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	40	12.19	40	12.19	80	24.38	160	48.77

**ATTACHMENT 3**  
**CONVEYANCE FACTORS (ADS, 2007)**

**Table 3-1**  
**Conveyance Factors (Standard Units)**

Design Manning's Values for HDPE Pipe *		
Product	Diameter	Design Manning's "n"
N-12 <sup>®</sup> , N-12 <sup>®</sup> ST, and N-12 <sup>®</sup> WT	4" - 60"	"n" = 0.012
AASHTO and Single Wall	18" - 24"	"n" = 0.024
	12" - 15"	"n" = 0.022
	10"	"n" = 0.019
	8"	"n" = 0.019
	3" - 6"	"n" = 0.017
Smoothwall	3" - 6"	"n" = 0.009 **
Conveyance Equations: $k = Q/(s^{0.5})$ $Q = k s^{0.5}$		

Conveyance Factors for Circular Pipe Flowing Full																		
Manning's "n" Values																		
Dia. (in.)	Area (sq. ft.)	0.009	0.010	0.011	0.012	0.013	0.014	0.015	0.016	0.017	0.018	0.019	0.020	0.021	0.022	0.023	0.024	0.025
3	0.05	1.3	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
4	0.09	2.7	2.5	2.2	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0
6	0.20	8.1	7.3	6.6	6.1	5.6	5.2	4.9	4.6	4.3	4.1	3.8	3.6	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.0	2.9
8	0.35	17.5	15.7	14.3	13.1	12.1	11.2	10.5	9.8	9.2	8.7	8.3	7.9	7.5	7.1	6.8	6.5	6.3
10	0.55	31.6	28.5	25.9	23.7	21.9	20.3	19.0	17.8	16.8	15.8	15.0	14.2	13.6	12.9	12.4	11.9	11.4
12	0.79	51.5	46.3	42.1	38.6	35.6	33.1	30.9	28.9	27.2	25.7	24.4	23.2	22.1	21.1	20.1	19.3	18.5
15	1.23	93.3	84.0	76.3	70.0	64.6	60.0	56.0	52.5	49.4	46.7	44.2	42.0	40.0	38.2	36.5	35.0	33.6
18	1.77	151.7	136.6	124.1	113.8	105.0	97.5	91.0	85.3	80.3	75.9	71.9	68.3	65.0	62.1	59.4	56.9	54.6
21	2.41	228.9	206.0	187.3	171.6	158.4	147.1	137.3	128.7	121.2	114.4	108.4	103.0	98.1	93.6	89.6	85.8	82.4
24	3.14	326.8	294.1	267.3	245.1	226.2	210.1	196.1	183.8	173.0	163.4	154.8	147.0	140.0	133.7	127.9	122.5	117.6
27	3.98	447.3	402.6	366.0	335.5	309.7	287.6	268.4	251.6	236.8	223.7	211.9	201.3	191.7	183.0	175.0	167.8	161.0
30	4.91	592.5	533.2	484.7	444.3	410.2	380.9	355.5	333.3	313.7	296.2	280.6	266.6	253.9	242.4	231.8	222.2	213.3
33	5.94	763.9	687.5	625.0	572.9	528.9	491.1	458.3	429.7	404.4	382.0	361.9	343.8	327.4	312.5	298.9	286.5	275.0
36	7.07	963.4	867.1	788.2	722.6	667.0	619.3	578.0	541.9	510.0	481.7	456.4	433.5	412.9	394.1	377.0	361.3	346.8
42	9.62	1453.2	1307.9	1189.0	1089.9	1006.1	934.2	871.9	817.5	769.4	726.6	688.4	654.0	622.8	594.5	568.7	545.0	523.2
45	11.04	1746.8	1572.1	1429.2	1310.1	1209.3	1122.9	1048.1	982.6	924.8	873.4	827.4	786.1	748.6	714.6	683.5	655.0	628.8
48	12.57	2074.8	1867.4	1697.6	1556.1	1436.4	1333.8	1244.9	1167.1	1098.4	1037.4	982.8	933.7	889.2	848.8	811.9	778.1	746.9
54	15.90	2840.5	2556.4	2324.0	2130.4	1966.5	1826.0	1704.3	1597.8	1503.8	1420.2	1345.5	1278.2	1217.4	1162.0	1111.5	1065.2	1022.6
60	19.63	3762.0	3385.8	3078.0	2821.5	2604.4	2418.4	2257.2	2116.1	1991.6	1881.0	1782.0	1692.9	1612.3	1539.0	1472.1	1410.7	1354.3
72	28.27	6117.3	5505.6	5005.1	4588.0	4235.1	3932.6	3670.4	3441.0	3238.6	3058.7	2897.7	2752.8	2621.7	2502.5	2393.7	2294.0	2202.2

\* Utah Water Research Laboratory, "Manning Friction Coefficient Testing of 4-, 10-, 12- and 15-inch Corrugated Plastic Pipe"<sup>3</sup>

\*\* "Lingeburg, Michael, "Civil Engineer Reference Manual"<sup>4</sup>

**ATTACHMENT 4**  
**FLOW RATE CALCULATIONS**

Note: Project configuration has changed since the original preparation of this Attachment. For the SDEIS and FEIS, the Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile has been eliminated, and the Lean Ore Surge Pile is referred to as the Ore Surge Pile.

**Attachment 4-1: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 1 Stockpile, year 1;**

Column height	$H_T$	11.58 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-05 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.075 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate (m/day)		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case1	Case 2
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	11.6	5.8
0	-3.583E-02	-7.165E-02
1	-4.274E-03	-4.274E-03
2	-3.022E-03	-3.022E-03
4	-2.137E-03	-2.137E-03
10	-1.352E-03	-1.352E-03
20	-9.558E-04	-9.558E-04
30	-7.804E-04	-7.804E-04
50	-6.045E-04	-6.043E-04
100	-4.274E-04	-4.177E-04
200	-3.022E-04	-2.377E-04
365	-2.204E-04	-9.563E-05
1000	-9.018E-05	-2.877E-06
2000	-2.270E-05	-1.155E-08
3000	-5.714E-06	-4.637E-11
4000	-1.438E-06	-1.862E-13
5000	-3.621E-07	-7.474E-16

**Attachment 4-1-1: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 1 Stockpile year 20;**

Column height	$H_T$	11.58 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-05 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	1413.5 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.075 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 1	Case 2
	Single drain $H = H_T$	Double drain $H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	11.6	5.8
0	-2.150E-01	-4.299E-01
1	-2.565E-02	-2.565E-02
2	-1.813E-02	-1.813E-02
5	-1.147E-02	-1.147E-02
10	-8.110E-03	-8.110E-03
20	-5.735E-03	-5.735E-03
43	-3.911E-03	-3.911E-03
100	-2.565E-03	-2.506E-03
200	-1.813E-03	-1.426E-03
365	-1.322E-03	-5.738E-04
400	-1.253E-03	-4.730E-04
1000	-5.411E-04	-1.726E-05
2000	-1.362E-04	-6.930E-08
3000	-3.428E-05	-2.782E-10
3650	-1.399E-05	-7.705E-12
4000	-8.630E-06	-1.117E-12
5000	-2.172E-06	-4.484E-15

**Attachment 4-2: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 1 Stockpile, year 1;**

Column height	$H_T$	11.58 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z= 0.0$		
	Case 3	Case 4
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H=H_T$	$H=0.5*H_T$
$t$ (days)	11.6	5.8
0	-3.583E+00	-7.165E+00
1	-4.861E-01	-4.861E-01
2	-3.437E-01	-3.437E-01
4	-2.430E-01	-2.430E-01
10	-1.537E-01	-1.537E-01
20	-1.087E-01	-1.087E-01
30	-8.874E-02	-8.874E-02
50	-6.874E-02	-6.874E-02
100	-4.861E-02	-4.831E-02
200	-3.437E-02	-3.055E-02
400	-2.415E-02	-1.300E-02
1000	-1.233E-02	-1.005E-03
2000	-4.243E-03	-1.409E-05
3000	-1.460E-03	-1.976E-07
4000	-5.024E-04	-2.771E-09
5000	-1.729E-04	-3.885E-11

**Attachment 4-2-1: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 1 Stockpile, year 20**

Column height	$H_T$	11.58 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	1413.5 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For z= 0.0		
	Case 3	Case 4
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H=H_T$	$H=0.5*H_T$
t (days)	11.6	5.8
0	-2.150E+01	-4.299E+01
1	-2.916E+00	-2.916E+00
2	-2.062E+00	-2.062E+00
5	-1.304E+00	-1.304E+00
10	-9.222E-01	-9.222E-01
20	-6.521E-01	-6.521E-01
44	-4.397E-01	-4.397E-01
100	-2.916E-01	-2.898E-01
200	-2.062E-01	-1.833E-01
365	-1.521E-01	-9.057E-02
400	-1.449E-01	-7.800E-02
1000	-7.399E-02	-6.029E-03
2000	-2.546E-02	-8.454E-05
3000	-8.760E-03	-1.185E-06
3650	-4.379E-03	-7.402E-08
4000	-3.014E-03	-1.662E-08
5000	-1.037E-03	-2.331E-10

**Attachment 4-3: Case 1 and Case 2, Ore Surge Pile, year 1**

Column height	$H_T$	3.05 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-05 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.075 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 1	Case 2
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	3.0	1.5
0	-1.361E-01	-2.723E-01
1	-4.274E-03	-4.274E-03
2	-3.022E-03	-3.022E-03
4	-2.137E-03	-2.135E-03
10	-1.352E-03	-1.230E-03
20	-9.519E-04	-5.533E-04
30	-7.553E-04	-2.494E-04
48	-5.236E-04	-5.944E-05
100	-1.857E-04	-9.434E-07
200	-2.534E-05	-3.269E-10
400	-4.717E-07	-3.924E-17
1000	-3.042E-12	-6.790E-38
2000	-6.799E-21	-1.693E-72
3000	-1.519E-29	-4.223E-107
4000	-3.395E-38	-1.053E-141
5000	-7.587E-47	-2.626E-176

**Attachment 4-4: Case 3 and Case 4, Ore Surge Pile, year 1**

Column height	$H_T$	3.05 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 3	Case 4
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	3.0	1.5
0	-1.361E+01	-2.723E+01
1	-4.861E-01	-4.861E-01
2	-3.437E-01	-3.437E-01
4	-2.430E-01	-2.430E-01
10	-1.537E-01	-1.481E-01
20	-1.086E-01	-7.941E-02
30	-8.789E-02	-4.288E-02
48	-6.517E-02	-1.414E-02
100	-2.917E-02	-5.742E-04
200	-6.252E-03	-1.211E-06
400	-2.871E-04	-5.384E-12
1000	-2.780E-08	-4.734E-28
2000	-5.677E-15	-8.232E-55
3000	-1.159E-21	-1.431E-81
4000	-2.367E-28	-2.489E-108
5000	-4.834E-35	-4.328E-135

**Attachment 4-5: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 4 Stockpile, year 1**

Column height	$H_T$	8.53 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-05 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.075 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z= 0.0$		
	Case 1	Case 2
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H=H_T$	$H=0.5*H_T$
$t$ (days)	8.5	4.3
0	-4.862E-02	-9.724E-02
1	-4.274E-03	-4.274E-03
2	-3.022E-03	-3.022E-03
4	-2.137E-03	-2.137E-03
10	-1.352E-03	-1.352E-03
20	-9.558E-04	-9.558E-04
30	-7.804E-04	-7.799E-04
48	-6.169E-04	-6.091E-04
100	-4.274E-04	-3.521E-04
200	-2.975E-04	-1.274E-04
400	-1.760E-04	-1.669E-05
1000	-3.832E-05	-3.751E-08
2000	-3.020E-06	-1.447E-12
3000	-2.380E-07	-5.583E-17
4000	-1.876E-08	-2.154E-21
5000	-1.478E-09	-8.309E-26

**Attachment 4-5-1: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 4 Stockpile, year 20**

Column height	$H_T$	8.53 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-05 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	530.0 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.075 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 1	Case 2
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	8.5	4.3
0	-1.094E-01	-2.188E-01
1	-9.617E-03	-9.617E-03
2	-6.800E-03	-6.800E-03
5	-4.301E-03	-4.301E-03
10	-3.041E-03	-3.041E-03
20	-2.150E-03	-2.150E-03
50	-1.360E-03	-1.339E-03
100	-9.616E-04	-7.921E-04
159	-7.593E-04	-4.348E-04
365	-4.330E-04	-5.359E-05
400	-3.961E-04	-3.755E-05
1000	-8.622E-05	-8.441E-08
2000	-6.795E-06	-3.256E-12
3000	-5.355E-07	-1.256E-16
4000	-4.220E-08	-4.846E-21
5000	-3.326E-09	-1.869E-25

**Attachment 4-6: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 4 Stockpile, year 1**

Column height	$H_T$	8.53 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 3	Case 4
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	8.5	4.3
0	-4.862E+00	-9.724E+00
1	-4.861E-01	-4.861E-01
2	-3.437E-01	-3.437E-01
5	-2.174E-01	-2.174E-01
10	-1.537E-01	-1.537E-01
20	-1.087E-01	-1.087E-01
30	-8.874E-02	-8.874E-02
48	-7.016E-02	-6.995E-02
100	-4.861E-02	-4.440E-02
200	-3.424E-02	-2.019E-02
400	-2.220E-02	-4.193E-03
1000	-6.816E-03	-3.755E-05
2000	-9.555E-04	-1.450E-08
3000	-1.339E-04	-5.600E-12
4000	-1.878E-05	-2.162E-15
5000	-2.632E-06	-8.350E-19

**Attachment 4-6-1: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 4 Stockpile, year 20**

Column height	$H_T$	8.53 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	530.0 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.06 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 3	Case 4
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	8.5	4.3
0	-1.094E+01	-2.188E+01
1	-1.094E+00	-1.094E+00
2	-7.733E-01	-7.733E-01
5	-4.891E-01	-4.891E-01
10	-3.458E-01	-3.458E-01
20	-2.445E-01	-2.445E-01
50	-1.547E-01	-1.541E-01
100	-1.094E-01	-9.989E-02
159	-8.667E-02	-6.271E-02
365	-5.357E-02	-1.242E-02
400	-4.995E-02	-9.435E-03
1000	-1.534E-02	-8.449E-05
2000	-2.150E-03	-3.263E-08
3000	-3.014E-04	-1.260E-11
4000	-4.225E-05	-4.865E-15
5000	-5.922E-06	-1.879E-18

**Attachment 4-7: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile, year 1**

Column height	$H_T$	6.71 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-05 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$cv$	0.075 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 1	Case 2
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	6.7	3.4
0	-6.188E-02	-1.238E-01
1	-4.274E-03	-4.274E-03
2	-3.022E-03	-3.022E-03
6	-1.745E-03	-1.745E-03
10	-1.352E-03	-1.352E-03
20	-9.558E-04	-9.547E-04
30	-7.804E-04	-7.698E-04
50	-6.045E-04	-5.442E-04
100	-4.253E-04	-2.386E-04
200	-2.721E-04	-4.600E-05
400	-1.193E-04	-1.709E-06
1000	-1.010E-05	-8.774E-11
2000	-1.648E-07	-6.220E-18
3000	-2.689E-09	-4.409E-25
4000	-4.387E-11	-3.126E-32
5000	-7.158E-13	-2.216E-39

**Attachment 4-7-1: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile, year 20**

Column height	$H_T$	6.71 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-05 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	1177.9 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.075 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 1	Case 2
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	6.7	3.4
0	-3.094E-01	-6.188E-01
1	-2.137E-02	-2.137E-02
2	-1.511E-02	-1.511E-02
5	-9.558E-03	-9.558E-03
10	-6.758E-03	-6.758E-03
20	-4.779E-03	-4.774E-03
50	-3.022E-03	-2.721E-03
93	-2.209E-03	-1.339E-03
200	-1.360E-03	-2.300E-04
365	-6.889E-04	-1.521E-05
400	-5.965E-04	-8.547E-06
1000	-5.049E-05	-4.387E-10
2000	-8.238E-07	-3.110E-17
3000	-1.344E-08	-2.205E-24
4000	-2.193E-10	-1.563E-31
5000	-3.579E-12	-1.108E-38

**Attachment 4-8: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile, year 1**

Column height	$H_T$	6.71 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 3	Case 4
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	6.7	3.4
0	-6.188E+00	-1.238E+01
1	-4.861E-01	-4.861E-01
2	-3.437E-01	-3.437E-01
6	-1.984E-01	-1.984E-01
10	-1.537E-01	-1.537E-01
20	-1.087E-01	-1.087E-01
50	-6.874E-02	-6.589E-02
30	-8.874E-02	-8.846E-02
100	-4.856E-02	-3.465E-02
200	-3.294E-02	-9.701E-03
400	-1.733E-02	-7.604E-04
1000	-2.567E-03	-3.662E-07
2000	-1.064E-04	-1.084E-12
3000	-4.415E-06	-3.206E-18
4000	-1.831E-07	-9.486E-24
5000	-7.594E-09	-2.807E-29

**Attachment 4-8-1: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile, year 20**

Column height	$H_T$	6.71 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	1177.9 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$cv$	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 3	Case 4
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	6.7	3.4
0	-3.094E+01	-6.188E+01
1	-2.430E+00	-2.430E+00
2	-1.718E+00	-1.718E+00
5	-1.087E+00	-1.087E+00
10	-7.685E-01	-7.685E-01
20	-5.434E-01	-5.434E-01
50	-3.437E-01	-3.294E-01
93	-2.519E-01	-1.894E-01
200	-1.647E-01	-4.851E-02
365	-9.684E-02	-5.936E-03
400	-8.663E-02	-3.802E-03
1000	-1.283E-02	-1.831E-06
2000	-5.322E-04	-5.418E-12
3000	-2.207E-05	-1.603E-17
4000	-9.155E-07	-4.743E-23
5000	-3.797E-08	-1.403E-28

**Attachment 4-9: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 1**

Column height	$H_T$	12.19 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-05 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.075 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 1	Case 2
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	12.2	6.1
0	-3.404E-02	-6.807E-02
1	-4.274E-03	-4.274E-03
2	-3.022E-03	-3.022E-03
4	-2.137E-03	-2.137E-03
10	-1.352E-03	-1.352E-03
20	-9.558E-04	-9.558E-04
36	-7.124E-04	-7.124E-04
50	-6.045E-04	-6.044E-04
100	-4.274E-04	-4.214E-04
200	-3.022E-04	-2.515E-04
365	-2.218E-04	-1.106E-04
400	-2.107E-04	-9.287E-05
1000	-9.801E-05	-4.680E-06
2000	-2.822E-05	-3.218E-08
3000	-8.127E-06	-2.212E-10
4000	-2.340E-06	-1.521E-12
5000	-6.738E-07	-1.046E-14

**Attachment 4-9-1: Case 1 and Case 2, Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 20**

Column height	$H_T$	12.19 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-05 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	942.3 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.075 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z= 0.0$		
	Case 1	Case 2
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H=H_T$	$H=0.5*H_T$
$t$ (days)	12.2	6.1
0	-1.361E-01	-2.723E-01
1	-1.710E-02	-1.710E-02
2	-1.209E-02	-1.209E-02
5	-7.646E-03	-7.646E-03
10	-5.407E-03	-5.407E-03
20	-3.823E-03	-3.823E-03
50	-2.418E-03	-2.418E-03
100	-1.710E-03	-1.686E-03
228	-1.132E-03	-8.749E-04
365	-8.871E-04	-4.422E-04
400	-8.428E-04	-3.715E-04
1000	-3.920E-04	-1.872E-05
2000	-1.129E-04	-1.287E-07
3000	-3.251E-05	-8.850E-10
4000	-9.360E-06	-6.085E-12
5000	-2.695E-06	-4.184E-14

**Attachment 4-10: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 1**

Column height	$H_T$	12.19 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.06 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 3	Case 4
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	12.2	6.1
0	-3.404E+00	-6.807E+00
1	-4.861E-01	-4.861E-01
2	-3.437E-01	-3.437E-01
5	-2.174E-01	-2.174E-01
10	-1.537E-01	-1.537E-01
20	-1.087E-01	-1.087E-01
36	-8.101E-02	-8.101E-02
50	-6.874E-02	-6.874E-02
100	-4.861E-02	-4.845E-02
200	-3.437E-02	-3.158E-02
365	-2.540E-02	-1.669E-02
400	-2.422E-02	-1.459E-02
1000	-1.300E-02	-1.447E-03
2000	-4.962E-03	-3.076E-05
3000	-1.895E-03	-6.539E-07
4000	-7.235E-04	-1.390E-08
5000	-2.763E-04	-2.955E-10

**Attachment 4-10-1: Case 3 and Case 4, Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 20**

Column height	$H_T$	12.19 m
Hydraulic cond.	$k$	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	$\gamma_w$	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	$\gamma_s$	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	$p$	942.3 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	$c_v$	0.06 m <sup>2</sup> /day

Flux Rate m/day		
For $z = 0.0$		
	Case 3	Case 4
	Single drain	Double drain
	$H = H_T$	$H = 0.5 * H_T$
$t$ (days)	12.2	6.1
0	-1.361E+01	-2.723E+01
1	-1.944E+00	-1.944E+00
2	-1.375E+00	-1.375E+00
5	-8.695E-01	-8.695E-01
10	-6.148E-01	-6.148E-01
20	-4.347E-01	-4.347E-01
50	-2.750E-01	-2.750E-01
100	-1.944E-01	-1.938E-01
200	-1.375E-01	-1.263E-01
228	-1.288E-01	-1.133E-01
400	-9.689E-02	-5.835E-02
1000	-5.201E-02	-5.788E-03
2000	-1.985E-02	-1.230E-04
3000	-7.579E-03	-2.616E-06
4000	-2.894E-03	-5.560E-08
5000	-1.105E-03	-1.182E-09

**ATTACHMENT 5**  
**EQUIVALENT LOADING TIMES**

Note: Project configuration has changed since the original preparation of this Attachment. For the SDEIS and FEIS, the Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile has been eliminated, and the Lean Ore Surge Pile is referred to as the Ore Surge Pile.

## Attachment 5: Equivalent Loading Times

Waste Rock Stockpile Footprint ( ft<sup>2</sup> )

		Year 1	Year 5	Year 10	Year 15	Year 20
1	Category 1 Stockpile	3031253	13025197	16412619	16412619	16412619
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	2375443	2375442	2375884	2375442	2759736
3	Category 4 Stockpile	194781	1743009	2759691	2759736	
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	1540756	2778949	4257310	6830487	6830487
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	257713	1115804	2041077	3135871	3135871

Area per day required to cover the footprint at the corresponding year

		ft <sup>2</sup> /day				
1	Category 1 Stockpile	8304.8	7137.1	4496.6	2997.7	2248.3
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	6508.1	1301.6	650.9	433.9	378.0
3	Category 4 Stockpile	533.6	955.1	756.1	504.1	
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	4221.3	1522.7	1166.4	1247.6	935.7
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	706.1	611.4	559.2	572.8	429.6

Maximum Underdrain Pipe Tributary Area (350 ft x 100 ft and 256 ft x 100 ft)

		ft <sup>2</sup>				
1	Category 1 Stockpile	35000.0	35000.0	35000.0	35000.0	35000.0
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0
3	Category 4 Stockpile	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0	
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0	25600.0

Number of Days Required to Cover the Maximum Tributary Area of a Under Drain Pipe

		Year 1 Days	Year 5 Days	Year 10 Days	Year 15 Days	Year 20 Days	Years 1- 20 Total Days
1	Category 1 Stockpile	4	5	8	12	16	44
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	4	20	39	59	68	190
3	Category 4 Stockpile	48	27	34	51		
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	6	17	22	21	27	93
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	36	42	46	45	60	228

## **ATTACHMENT 6**

### **SIZING OF TERTIARY UNDERDRAIN PIPES**

Note: Project configuration has changed since the original preparation of this Attachment. For the SDEIS and FEIS, the Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile has been eliminated, and the Lean Ore Surge Pile is referred to as the Ore Surge Pile.

Attachment 6-1: Tertiary underdrain pipe selection assuming  $K_s=1e-7$  cm/sec

FLUX (m/day)

		For Year 1		time	For Year 1		time
		Single layer	Double layer	days	Single layer	Double layer	days
1	Category 1 Stockpile	2.1E-03	2.1E-03	4	3.9E-03	3.9E-03	44
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	2.1E-03	2.1E-03	4			
3	Category 4 Stockpile	6.2E-04	6.1E-04	48	7.6E-04	4.3E-04	159
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	1.7E-03	1.7E-03	6	2.2E-03	1.3E-03	93
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	7.1E-04	7.1E-04	36	1.1E-03	8.7E-04	228

Factored FLUX (m/day) FS=1.2

		For Year 1		For Year 20	
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer
1	Category 1 Stockpile	2.6E-03	2.6E-03	4.7E-03	4.7E-03
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	2.6E-03	2.6E-03		
3	Category 4 Stockpile	7.4E-04	7.3E-04	9.1E-04	5.2E-04
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	2.1E-03	2.1E-03	2.7E-03	1.6E-03
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	8.5E-04	8.5E-04	1.4E-03	1.0E-03

FLOW (ft<sup>3</sup>/sec)

		For Year 1		For Year 20	
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer
1	Category 1 Stockpile	3.4E-03	3.4E-03	6.2E-03	6.2E-03
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	3.4E-03	3.4E-03		
3	Category 4 Stockpile	9.8E-04	9.7E-04	1.2E-03	6.9E-04
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	2.8E-03	2.8E-03	3.5E-03	2.1E-03
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	1.1E-03	1.1E-03	1.8E-03	1.4E-03

Commodity Factor k S=0.5%

		For Year 1		For Year 20	
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer
1	Category 1 Stockpile	0.048	0.048	0.088	0.088
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	0.048	0.048		
3	Category 4 Stockpile	0.0139	0.0137	0.0171	0.0098
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	0.039	0.039	0.050	0.030
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	0.016	0.016	0.026	0.020

Selected Pipe Dia (in)

		Year 1		Year 20	
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer
2	Category 1 Stockpile	3	3	3	3
3	Lean Ore Surge Pile	3	3		
4	Category 4 Stockpile	3	3	3	3
5	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	3	3	3	3
6	Category 2/3 Stockpile	3	3	3	3

Selected Pipe commodity value k (ASD 2008) n=0.012

		Year 1		Year 20	
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer
2	Category 1 Stockpile	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
3	Lean Ore Surge Pile	1.0	1.0		
4	Category 4 Stockpile	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
5	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
6	Category 2/3 Stockpile	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

Attachment 6-2: Tertiary underdrain pipe selection assuming  $K_s=1e-5$  cm/sec

		FLUX (m/day)					
		Year 1		time days	Year 20		time days
		Single layer	Double layer		Single layer	Double layer	
1	Category 1 Stockpile	2.4E-01	2.4E-01	4	4.4E-01	4.4E-01	44
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	2.4E-01	2.4E-01	4			
3	Category 4 Stockpile	7.0E-02	7.0E-02	48	8.7E-02	6.3E-02	159
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	2.0E-01	2.0E-01	6	2.5E-01	1.9E-01	93
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	8.1E-02	8.1E-02	36	1.3E-01	1.1E-01	228

		Factored FLUX (m/day)				FS=1.2
		Year 1		Year 20		
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer	
1	Category 1 Stockpile	2.9E-01	2.9E-01	5.3E-01	5.3E-01	
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	2.9E-01	2.9E-01			
3	Category 4 Stockpile	8.4E-02	8.4E-02	1.0E-01	7.5E-02	
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	2.4E-01	2.4E-01	3.0E-01	2.3E-01	
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	9.7E-02	9.7E-02	1.5E-01	1.4E-01	

		FLOW (ft <sup>3</sup> /sec)			
		Year 1		Year 20	
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer
1	Category 1 Stockpile	3.9E-01	3.9E-01	7.0E-01	7.0E-01
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	3.9E-01	3.9E-01		
3	Category 4 Stockpile	1.1E-01	1.1E-01	1.4E-01	1.0E-01
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	3.2E-01	3.2E-01	4.0E-01	3.0E-01
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	1.3E-01	1.3E-01	2.1E-01	1.8E-01

		Commodity Factor k				S=0.5%
		Year 1		Year 20		
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer	
1	Category 1 Stockpile	5.5	5.5	9.9	9.9	
2	Lean Ore Surge Pile	5.5	5.5			
3	Category 4 Stockpile	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.4	
4	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	4.5	4.5	5.7	4.3	
5	Category 2/3 Stockpile	1.8	1.8	2.9	2.6	

		Selected Pipe Dia (in)			
		Year 1		Year 20	
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer
2	Category 1 Stockpile	6	6	8	8
3	Lean Ore Surge Pile	6	6		
4	Category 4 Stockpile	4	4	6	6
5	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	6	6	6	6
6	Category 2/3 Stockpile	4	4	6	6

		Selected Pipe commodity value k (ASD 2008) n=0.012			
		Year 1		Year 20	
		Single layer	Double layer	Single layer	Double layer
2	Category 1 Stockpile	6.10	6.10	13.10	13.10
3	Lean Ore Surge Pile	6.10	6.10		
4	Category 4 Stockpile	2.10	2.10	6.10	6.10
5	Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.10
6	Category 2/3 Stockpile	2.10	2.10	6.10	6.10

## **ATTACHMENT 7**

### **SIZING OF PRIMARY AND SECONDARY UNDERDRAIN PIPES**

Note: Project configuration has changed since the original preparation of this Attachment. For the SDEIS and FEIS, the Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile has been eliminated, and the Lean Ore Surge Pile is referred to as the Ore Surge Pile.

**Attachment 7-1: Category 1 Stockpile, year 1;**

Column height	H <sub>T</sub>	11.58 m
Hydraulic cond.	k	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	γ <sub>w</sub>	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	γ <sub>s</sub>	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	p	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef. time	cv t	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day 1 day

Flux Rate m/day
For z= 0.0
Case 3
Single drain
H=H <sub>T</sub>
11.6

**BRANCH 1**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	240	24000.0	24000.0	8304.8	2.0	7.691E+02	0.3	4.4	8	
2	435	43500.0	67500.0	8304.8	8.0	3.076E+03	1.3	17.8	10	
3	535	53500.0	121000.0	8304.8	14.0	5.383E+03	2.2	31.1	12	
4	550	55000.0	176000.0	8304.8	21.0	8.075E+03	3.3	46.7	15	
5	560	56000.0	232000.0	8304.8	27.0	1.038E+04	4.2	60.0	15	
6	570	57000.0	289000.0	8304.8	34.0	1.307E+04	5.3	75.6	18	
7	520	52000.0	341000.0	8304.8	41.0	1.577E+04	6.4	91.1	18	
8	580	58000.0	399000.0	8304.8	48.0	1.846E+04	7.5	106.7	18	
9	550	55000.0	454000.0	8304.8	54.0	2.076E+04	8.5	120.0	21	
10	460	46000.0	500000.0	8304.8	60.0	2.307E+04	9.4	133.4	21	
11	430	43000.0	543000.0	8304.8	65.0	2.499E+04	10.2	144.5	21	
12	-	-	543000.0	8304.8	65.0	2.499E+04	10.2	144.5	21	
13	30	3000.0	546000.0	7137.1	76.0	2.511E+04	10.3	145.2	21	
14	390	39000.0	585000.0	7137.1	81.0	2.677E+04	10.9	154.7	21	
15	320	32000.0	617000.0	7137.1	86.0	2.842E+04	11.6	164.3	21	
16	370	37000.0	654000.0	7137.1	91.0	3.007E+04	12.3	173.8	24	
17	410	41000.0	695000.0	7137.1	97.0	3.205E+04	13.1	185.3	24	
18	545	54500.0	749500.0	7137.1	105.0	3.470E+04	14.2	200.6	24	
19	590	59000.0	808500.0	7137.1	113.0	3.734E+04	15.3	215.9	24	
20	590	59000.0	867500.0	7137.1	121.0	3.999E+04	16.3	231.1	24	
21	510	51000.0	918500.0	7137.1	128.0	4.230E+04	17.3	244.5	24	
22	350	35000.0	953500.0	7137.1	133.0	4.395E+04	18.0	254.1	27	
23	700	70000.0	1023500.0	7137.1	143.0	4.726E+04	19.3	273.2	27	
24	700	70000.0	1093500.0	7137.1	153.0	5.056E+04	20.7	292.3	27	
25	700	70000.0	1163500.0	7137.1	163.0	5.386E+04	22.0	311.4	27	
26	700	70000.0	1233500.0	7137.1	172.0	5.684E+04	23.2	328.6	27	
27	700	70000.0	1303500.0	7137.1	182.0	6.014E+04	24.6	347.7	30	
28	700	70000.0	1373500.0	7137.1	192.0	6.345E+04	25.9	366.8	30	
29	700	70000.0	1443500.0	7137.1	202.0	6.675E+04	27.3	385.9	30	
30	700	70000.0	1513500.0	7137.1	212.0	7.006E+04	28.6	405.0	30	
31	700	70000.0	1583500.0	7137.1	221.0	7.303E+04	29.9	422.1	30	
32	700	70000.0	1653500.0	7137.1	231.0	7.634E+04	31.2	441.3	30	
33	700	70000.0	1723500.0	7137.1	241.0	7.964E+04	32.6	460.4	33	
34	700	70000.0	1793500.0	7137.1	251.0	8.295E+04	33.9	479.5	33	
35	700	70000.0	1863500.0	7137.1	261.0	8.625E+04	35.3	498.6	33	
36	700	70000.0	1933500.0	7137.1	270.0	8.922E+04	36.5	515.7	33	
37	700	70000.0	2003500.0	7137.1	280.0	9.253E+04	37.8	534.9	33	
38	700	70000.0	2073500.0	7137.1	290.0	9.583E+04	39.2	554.0	33	
39	700	70000.0	2143500.0	7137.1	300.0	9.914E+04	40.5	573.1	36	
39	-	-	3583200.0	7137.1	502.0	1.659E+05	67.8	958.9	42	inflow from branches # 7 & 6

## BRANCH 2

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	330	33000.0	33000.0	7137.1	4.0	9.201E+02	0.4	5.3	8	
2	530	53000.0	86000.0	7137.1	12.0	1.854E+03	0.8	10.7	8	
3	600	60000.0	146000.0	7137.1	20.0	2.510E+03	1.0	14.5	10	
4	636	63600.0	209600.0	7137.1	29.0	3.107E+03	1.3	18.0	10	
5	680	68000.0	277600.0	7137.1	38.0	3.618E+03	1.5	20.9	10	
6	630	63000.0	340600.0	7137.1	47.0	4.072E+03	1.7	23.5	10	
7	360	36000.0	376600.0	7137.1	52.0	4.306E+03	1.8	24.9	12	
8	310	31000.0	407600.0	7137.1	57.0	4.529E+03	1.9	26.2	12	
9	470	47000.0	454600.0	7137.1	63.0	4.784E+03	2.0	27.7	12	
10	-	-	409800.0	7137.1	57.0	4.529E+03	1.9	26.2	12	inflow from branch#2a
11	580	58000.0	467800.0	7137.1	65.0	4.866E+03	2.0	28.1	12	
12	580	58000.0	525800.0	7137.1	73.0	5.184E+03	2.1	30.0	12	
13	650	65000.0	590800.0	7137.1	82.0	5.521E+03	2.3	31.9	12	
14	630	63000.0	653800.0	7137.1	91.0	5.839E+03	2.4	33.8	12	
15	630	63000.0	716800.0	7137.1	100.0	6.143E+03	2.5	35.5	12	
16	630	63000.0	779800.0	7137.1	109.0	6.433E+03	2.6	37.2	12	
17	500	50000.0	829800.0	7137.1	116.0	6.651E+03	2.7	38.4	12	
18	350	35000.0	864800.0	7137.1	121.0	6.803E+03	2.8	39.3	15	
19	280	28000.0	892800.0	7137.1	125.0	6.921E+03	2.8	40.0	15	

## BRANCH 2a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	1673	167300.0	167300.0	7137.1	23.0	2.721E+03	1.1	15.7	10	
2	990	99000.0	266300.0	7137.1	37.0	3.565E+03	1.5	20.6	10	
3	605	60500.0	326800.0	7137.1	45.0	3.976E+03	1.6	23.0	10	
4	550	55000.0	381800.0	7137.1	53.0	4.352E+03	1.8	25.2	12	
5	280	28000.0	409800.0	7137.1	57.0	4.529E+03	1.9	26.2	12	

## BRANCH 3

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	240	24000.0	24000.0	7137.1	3.0	7.549E+02	0.3	4.4	8	
2	480	48000.0	72000.0	7137.1	10.0	1.659E+03	0.7	9.6	8	
3	480	48000.0	120000.0	7137.1	16.0	2.202E+03	0.9	12.7	8	
4	640	64000.0	184000.0	7137.1	25.0	2.855E+03	1.2	16.5	10	
5	690	69000.0	253000.0	7137.1	35.0	3.455E+03	1.4	20.0	10	
6	350	35000.0	288000.0	7137.1	40.0	3.723E+03	1.5	21.5	10	
7	680	68000.0	356000.0	7137.1	49.0	4.167E+03	1.7	24.1	12	
8	-	-	646400.0	7137.1	90.0	5.805E+03	2.4	33.6	12	inflow from brachn #3a
9	-	-	728900.0	7137.1	102.0	6.209E+03	2.5	35.9	12	inflow from branch #4
10	-	-	1621700.0	7137.1	227.0	9.486E+03	3.9	54.8	15	inflow from branch#2

## BRANCH 3a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	1244	124400.0	124400.0	7137.1	17.0	2.282E+03	0.9	13.2	10	
2	990	99000.0	223400.0	7137.1	31.0	3.227E+03	1.3	18.7	10	
3	410	41000.0	264400.0	7137.1	37.0	3.565E+03	1.5	20.6	10	
4	50	5000.0	269400.0	7137.1	37.0	3.565E+03	1.5	20.6	10	
5	210	21000.0	290400.0	7137.1	40.0	3.723E+03	1.5	21.5	10	

## BRANCH 4

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	150	15000.0	15000.0	7137.1	2.0	5.641E+02	0.2	3.3	8	
2	235	23500.0	38500.0	7137.1	5.0	1.068E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
3	240	24000.0	62500.0	7137.1	8.0	1.445E+03	0.6	8.4	8	
4	200	20000.0	82500.0	7137.1	11.0	1.759E+03	0.7	10.2	8	

## BRANCH 5

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	230	23000.0	23000.0	7137.1	3.0	7.549E+02	0.3	4.4	8	
2	420	42000.0	65000.0	7137.1	9.0	1.555E+03	0.6	9.0	8	
3	620	62000.0	127000.0	7137.1	17.0	2.282E+03	0.9	13.2	10	
4	510	51000.0	178000.0	7137.1	24.0	2.789E+03	1.1	16.1	10	
5	370	37000.0	215000.0	7137.1	30.0	3.167E+03	1.3	18.3	10	
6	150	15000.0	230000.0	7137.1	32.0	3.285E+03	1.3	19.0	10	
7	160	16000.0	246000.0	7137.1	34.0	3.399E+03	1.4	19.7	10	

## BRANCH 6

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	190	19000.0	19000.0	7137.1	2.0	5.641E+02	0.2	3.3	8	
2	210	21000.0	40000.0	7137.1	5.0	1.068E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
3	760	76000.0	116000.0	7137.1	16.0	2.202E+03	0.9	12.7	8	
4	1108	110800.0	226800.0	7137.1	31.0	3.227E+03	1.3	18.7	10	
5	1013	101300.0	328100.0	7137.1	45.0	3.976E+03	1.6	23.0	10	
6	232	23200.0	351300.0	7137.1	49.0	4.167E+03	1.7	24.1	12	
7	257	25700.0	451000.0	7137.1	63.0	4.784E+03	2.0	27.7	12	includes inflow from branch #6a
8	360	36000.0	487000.0	7137.1	68.0	4.987E+03	2.0	28.8	12	
9	620	62000.0	549000.0	7137.1	76.0	5.298E+03	2.2	30.6	12	
10	670	67000.0	616000.0	7137.1	86.0	5.664E+03	2.3	32.7	12	
11	700	70000.0	686000.0	7137.1	96.0	6.010E+03	2.5	34.7	12	
12	700	70000.0	756000.0	7137.1	105.0	6.306E+03	2.6	36.5	12	
13	700	70000.0	826000.0	7137.1	115.0	6.620E+03	2.7	38.3	12	
14	700	70000.0	896000.0	7137.1	125.0	6.921E+03	2.8	40.0	15	
15	350	35000.0	931000.0	7137.1	130.0	7.068E+03	2.9	40.9	15	
16	-	-	1177000.0	7137.1	164.0	7.994E+03	3.3	46.2	15	inflow from branch #5

## BRANCH 6a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	740	74000.0	74000.0	7137.1	10.0	1.659E+03	0.7	9.6	8	

## BRANCH 7

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	490	49000.0	49000.0	7137.1	6.0	1.203E+03	0.5	7.0	8	
2	360	36000.0	85000.0	7137.1	11.0	1.759E+03	0.7	10.2	8	
3	370	37000.0	122000.0	7137.1	17.0	2.282E+03	0.9	13.2	10	
4	610	61000.0	183000.0	7137.1	25.0	2.855E+03	1.2	16.5	10	
5	570	57000.0	240000.0	7137.1	33.0	3.343E+03	1.4	19.3	10	
6	330	33000.0	273000.0	7137.1	38.0	3.618E+03	1.5	20.9	10	
7	970	97000.0	370000.0	7137.1	51.0	4.260E+03	1.7	24.6	12	
8	262	26200.0	396200.0	7137.1	55.0	4.441E+03	1.8	25.7	12	
9	340	34000.0	430200.0	7137.1	60.0	4.658E+03	1.9	26.9	12	
10	330	33000.0	463200.0	7137.1	64.0	4.825E+03	2.0	27.9	12	
11	455	45500.0	508700.0	7137.1	71.0	5.106E+03	2.1	29.5	12	
12	-	-	583700.0	7138.1	81.0	5.485E+03	2.2	31.7	12	inflow from branch #8

## BRANCH 8

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	85	8500.0	8500.0	7137.1	1.0	3.305E+02	0.1	1.9	8	
2	355	35500.0	44000.0	7137.1	6.0	1.203E+03	0.5	7.0	8	
3	250	25000.0	69000.0	7137.1	9.0	1.555E+03	0.6	9.0	8	
4	60	6000.0	75000.0	7137.1	10.0	1.659E+03	0.7	9.6	8	

## BRANCH 9

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	110	11000.0	11000.0	7137.1	1.0	3.305E+02	0.1	1.9	8	
2	380	38000.0	49000.0	7137.1	6.0	1.203E+03	0.5	7.0	8	
3	410	41000.0	90000.0	7137.1	12.0	1.854E+03	0.8	10.7	8	
4	300	30000.0	120000.0	7137.1	16.0	2.202E+03	0.9	12.7	8	
5	234	23400.0	143400.0	7137.1	20.0	2.510E+03	1.0	14.5	10	

## BRANCH 10

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	240	24000.0	24000.0	7137.1	3.0	7.549E+02	0.3	4.4	8	
2	500	50000.0	74000.0	7137.1	10.0	1.659E+03	0.7	9.6	8	
3	650	65000.0	139000.0	7137.1	19.0	2.436E+03	1.0	14.1	10	
4	700	70000.0	209000.0	7137.1	29.0	3.107E+03	1.3	18.0	10	
5	700	70000.0	279000.0	7137.1	39.0	3.671E+03	1.5	21.2	10	
6	700	70000.0	349000.0	7137.1	48.0	4.120E+03	1.7	23.8	12	
7	200	20000.0	369000.0	7137.1	51.0	4.260E+03	1.7	24.6	12	
8	140	14000.0	526400.0	7137.1	73.0	5.184E+03	2.1	30.0	12	includes inflow from branch #9

## BRANCH 11

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	180	18000.0	18000.0	7137.1	2.0	5.641E+02	0.2	3.3	8	
2	320	32000.0	50000.0	7137.1	7.0	1.328E+03	0.5	7.7	8	
3	370	37000.0	87000.0	7137.1	12.0	1.854E+03	0.8	10.7	8	
4	-	-	202200.0	7137.1	28.0	3.046E+03	1.2	17.6	10	
5	700	70000.0	272200.0	7137.1	38.0	3.618E+03	1.5	20.9	10	
6	630	63000.0	335200.0	7137.1	46.0	4.024E+03	1.6	23.3	10	
7	375	37500.0	372700.0	7137.1	52.0	4.306E+03	1.8	24.9	12	
8	100	10000.0	382700.0	7137.1	53.0	4.352E+03	1.8	25.2	12	
9	-	-	909100.0	7138.1	127.0	6.981E+03	2.9	40.4	15	
10	-	-	2578700.0	7139.1	361.0	1.208E+04	4.9	69.9	15	

## BRANCH 11a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	502	50200.0	50200.0	7137.1	7.0	1.328E+03	0.5	7.7	8	
2	315	31500.0	81700.0	7137.1	11.0	1.759E+03	0.7	10.2	8	
3	335	33500.0	115200.0	7137.1	16.0	2.202E+03	0.9	12.7	8	

## BRANCH 12

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	350	35000.0	35000.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
2	490	49000.0	84000.0	8304.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
3	570	57000.0	141000.0	8305.8	16.0	2.563E+03	1.0	14.8	10	
4	530	53000.0	194000.0	8306.8	23.0	3.167E+03	1.3	18.3	10	
5	490	49000.0	243000.0	8307.8	29.0	3.617E+03	1.5	20.9	10	
6	-	-	893500.0	8308.8	107.0	7.416E+03	3.0	42.9	15	
7	-	-	893500.0	8309.8	107.0	7.417E+03	3.0	42.9	15	
8	270	27000.0	920500.0	8310.8	110.0	7.528E+03	3.1	43.5	15	
9	480	48000.0	968500.0	8311.8	116.0	7.746E+03	3.2	44.8	15	
10	700	70000.0	1038500.0	8312.8	124.0	8.027E+03	3.3	46.4	15	
11	-	-	1256000.0	8313.8	151.0	8.914E+03	3.6	51.5	15	
12	350	35000.0	1291000.0	8314.8	155.0	9.039E+03	3.7	52.3	15	
13	-	-	1354600.0	8315.8	162.0	9.254E+03	3.8	53.5	15	
14	440	44000.0	1398600.0	8316.8	168.0	9.435E+03	3.9	54.5	15	
15	700	70000.0	1468600.0	8317.8	176.0	9.671E+03	4.0	55.9	15	
16	700	70000.0	1538600.0	8318.8	184.0	9.901E+03	4.0	57.2	15	
17	700	70000.0	1608600.0	8319.8	193.0	1.015E+04	4.2	58.7	15	
18	610	61000.0	1669600.0	8320.8	200.0	1.035E+04	4.2	59.8	15	

## BRANCH 12a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	355	35500.0	35500.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
2	345	34500.0	70000.0	8304.8	8.0	1.681E+03	0.7	9.7	8	
3	190	19000.0	89000.0	8305.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
4	100	10000.0	99000.0	8306.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	

## BRANCH 12b

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	350	35000.0	35000.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	includes inflow from branch # 12a
2	410	41000.0	76000.0	8304.8	9.0	1.809E+03	0.7	10.5	8	
3	480	48000.0	124000.0	8305.8	14.0	2.367E+03	1.0	13.7	10	
4	560	56000.0	180000.0	8306.8	21.0	3.005E+03	1.2	17.4	10	
5	650	65000.0	245000.0	8307.8	29.0	3.617E+03	1.5	20.9	10	
6	700	70000.0	315000.0	8308.8	37.0	4.150E+03	1.7	24.0	12	
7	680	68000.0	482000.0	8309.8	58.0	5.324E+03	2.2	30.8	12	
8	475	47500.0	529500.0	8310.8	63.0	5.571E+03	2.3	32.2	12	
9	395	39500.0	569000.0	8311.8	68.0	5.808E+03	2.4	33.6	12	
10	515	51500.0	620500.0	8312.8	74.0	6.082E+03	2.5	35.2	12	
11	300	30000.0	650500.0	8313.8	78.0	6.259E+03	2.6	36.2	12	

## BRANCH 12c

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	320	32000.0	32000.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	8	
2	475	47500.0	79500.0	8304.8	9.0	1.809E+03	0.7	10.5	8	
3	635	63500.0	143000.0	8305.8	17.0	2.656E+03	1.1	15.4	10	
4	660	66000.0	209000.0	8306.8	25.0	3.323E+03	1.4	19.2	10	
5	600	60000.0	269000.0	8307.8	32.0	3.824E+03	1.6	22.1	10	
6	180	18000.0	287000.0	8308.8	34.0	3.958E+03	1.6	22.9	10	

## BRANCH 12d

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	100	10000.0	10000.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	8	
2	275	27500.0	37500.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
3	480	48000.0	85500.0	8305.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
4	525	52500.0	138000.0	8306.8	16.0	2.563E+03	1.0	14.8	10	
5	295	29500.0	167500.0	8307.8	20.0	2.922E+03	1.2	16.9	10	
6	440	44000.0	211500.0	8308.8	25.0	3.324E+03	1.4	19.2	10	
7	60	6000.0	217500.0	8309.8	26.0	3.399E+03	1.4	19.7	10	

## BRANCH 12e

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	136	13600.0	13600.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	8	
2	230	23000.0	36600.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
3	170	17000.0	53600.0	8305.8	6.0	1.400E+03	0.6	8.1	8	
4	100	10000.0	63600.0	8306.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	

## BRANCH 13

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	430	43000.0	43000.0	8304.8	5.0	1.243E+03	0.5	7.2	8	
2	620	62000.0	105000.0	8304.8	12.0	2.158E+03	0.9	12.5	8	
3	670	67000.0	172000.0	8305.8	20.0	2.921E+03	1.2	16.9	10	
4	600	60000.0	232000.0	8306.8	27.0	3.472E+03	1.4	20.1	10	
5	550	55000.0	287000.0	8307.8	34.0	3.957E+03	1.6	22.9	10	
6	410	41000.0	328000.0	8308.8	39.0	4.274E+03	1.7	24.7	12	
7	260	26000.0	354000.0	8309.8	42.0	4.455E+03	1.8	25.8	12	

## BRANCH 14

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	420	42000.0	42000.0	8304.8	5.0	1.243E+03	0.5	7.2	8	
2	225	22500.0	64500.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
3	245	24500.0	89000.0	8305.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
4	225	22500.0	111500.0	8306.8	13.0	2.265E+03	0.9	13.1	8	
5	-	-	601500.0	8307.8	72.0	5.989E+03	2.4	34.6	12	
6	-	-	601500.0	8308.8	72.0	5.990E+03	2.4	34.6	12	
7	420	42000.0	643500.0	8309.8	77.0	6.212E+03	2.5	35.9	12	
8	470	47000.0	690500.0	8310.8	83.0	6.471E+03	2.6	37.4	12	
9	665	66500.0	757000.0	8311.8	91.0	6.801E+03	2.8	39.3	15	
10	690	69000.0	826000.0	8312.8	99.0	7.117E+03	2.9	41.1	15	
11	500	50000.0	876000.0	8313.8	105.0	7.346E+03	3.0	42.5	15	
12	180	18000.0	894000.0	8314.8	107.0	7.421E+03	3.0	42.9	15	
12	-	-	1248000.0	8315.8	150.0	8.885E+03	3.6	51.4	15	
13	140	14000.0	1262000.0	8316.8	151.0	8.917E+03	3.6	51.5	15	
14	-	-	1396000.0	8317.8	167.0	9.406E+03	3.8	54.4	15	

## BRANCH 14a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	305	30500.0	30500.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	8	
2	605	60500.0	91000.0	8304.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
3	645	64500.0	155500.0	8305.8	18.0	2.747E+03	1.1	15.9	10	
4	515	51500.0	207000.0	8306.8	24.0	3.246E+03	1.3	18.8	10	
5	430	43000.0	250000.0	8307.8	30.0	3.687E+03	1.5	21.3	10	
6	305	30500.0	280500.0	8308.8	33.0	3.892E+03	1.6	22.5	10	
7	200	20000.0	300500.0	8309.8	36.0	4.087E+03	1.7	23.6	10	

## BRANCH 14b

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	305	30500.0	30500.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	8	
2	620	62000.0	92500.0	8304.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
3	350	35000.0	127500.0	8305.8	15.0	2.467E+03	1.0	14.3	10	
4	-	-	300500.0	8306.8	36.0	4.086E+03	1.7	23.6	10	inflow from branch #14a

## BRANCH 14c

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	230	23000.0	23000.0	8304.8	2.0	6.564E+02	0.3	3.8	8	
2	360	36000.0	59000.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
3	640	64000.0	123000.0	8305.8	14.0	2.367E+03	1.0	13.7	10	
4	665	66500.0	189500.0	8306.8	22.0	3.087E+03	1.3	17.8	10	

## BRANCH 15

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	400	40000.0	40000.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
2	350	35000.0	75000.0	8304.8	9.0	1.809E+03	0.7	10.5	8	
3	410	41000.0	116000.0	8305.8	13.0	2.265E+03	0.9	13.1	8	
4	180	18000.0	134000.0	8306.8	16.0	2.563E+03	1.0	14.8	10	

## BRANCH 16

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	200	20000.0	20000.0	8304.8	2.0	6.564E+02	0.3	3.8	8	
2	505	50500.0	70500.0	8304.8	8.0	1.681E+03	0.7	9.7	8	
3	660	66000.0	136500.0	8305.8	16.0	2.563E+03	1.0	14.8	10	
4	510	51000.0	187500.0	8306.8	22.0	3.087E+03	1.3	17.8	10	
5	640	64000.0	251500.0	8307.8	30.0	3.687E+03	1.5	21.3	10	
6	375	37500.0	289000.0	8308.8	34.0	3.958E+03	1.6	22.9	10	
7	-	-	446500.0	8309.8	53.0	5.067E+03	2.1	29.3	12	inflow from branch #16a
8	-	-	538000.0	8310.8	64.0	5.619E+03	2.3	32.5	12	inflow from branch #16b
9	410	41000.0	579000.0	8311.8	69.0	5.855E+03	2.4	33.8	12	
10	495	49500.0	628500.0	8312.8	75.0	6.127E+03	2.5	35.4	12	
11	916	91600.0	720100.0	8313.8	86.0	6.598E+03	2.7	38.1	12	
12	435	43500.0	763600.0	8314.8	91.0	6.803E+03	2.8	39.3	15	
13	460	46000.0	809600.0	8315.8	97.0	7.042E+03	2.9	40.7	15	
14	200	20000.0	829600.0	8316.8	99.0	7.120E+03	2.9	41.2	15	

## BRANCH 16a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	55	5500.0	5500.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	8	
2	565	56500.0	62000.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
3	610	61000.0	123000.0	8305.8	14.0	2.367E+03	1.0	13.7	10	
4	345	34500.0	157500.0	8306.8	18.0	2.747E+03	1.1	15.9	10	

## BRANCH 16b

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	340	34000.0	34000.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
2	295	29500.0	63500.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
3	280	28000.0	91500.0	8305.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	

**BRANCH 17**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	320	32000.0	32000.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	8	
2	525	52500.0	84500.0	8304.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
3	590	59000.0	143500.0	8305.8	17.0	2.656E+03	1.1	15.4	10	
4	600	60000.0	203500.0	8306.8	24.0	3.246E+03	1.3	18.8	10	
5	610	61000.0	264500.0	8307.8	31.0	3.756E+03	1.5	21.7	10	
6	650	65000.0	329500.0	8308.8	39.0	4.274E+03	1.7	24.7	12	
7	350	35000.0	364500.0	8309.8	43.0	4.513E+03	1.8	26.1	12	
8	-	-	531000.0	8310.8	63.0	5.571E+03	2.3	32.2	12	inflow from branch #17a
9	420	42000.0	573000.0	8311.8	68.0	5.808E+03	2.4	33.6	12	
10	435	43500.0	616500.0	8312.8	74.0	6.082E+03	2.5	35.2	12	
11	-	-	689000.0	8313.8	82.0	6.431E+03	2.6	37.2	12	inflow from branch #17b
12	105	10500.0	699500.0	8314.8	84.0	6.516E+03	2.7	37.7	12	

**BRANCH 17a**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	185	18500.0	18500.0	8304.8	2.0	6.564E+02	0.3	3.8	8	
2	350	35000.0	53500.0	8304.8	6.0	1.400E+03	0.6	8.1	8	
3	235	23500.0	77000.0	8305.8	9.0	1.809E+03	0.7	10.5	8	
4	470	47000.0	124000.0	8306.8	14.0	2.368E+03	1.0	13.7	10	
5	340	34000.0	158000.0	8307.8	19.0	2.836E+03	1.2	16.4	10	
6	85	8500.0	166500.0	8308.8	20.0	2.922E+03	1.2	16.9	10	

**BRANCH 17b**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	565	56500.0	56500.0	8304.8	6.0	1.400E+03	0.6	8.1	8	
2	160	16000.0	72500.0	8304.8	8.0	1.681E+03	0.7	9.7	8	

**BRANCH 18**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	340	34000.0	34000.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
2	400	40000.0	74000.0	8304.8	8.0	1.681E+03	0.7	9.7	8	
3	400	40000.0	114000.0	8305.8	13.0	2.265E+03	0.9	13.1	8	
4	400	40000.0	154000.0	8306.8	18.0	2.747E+03	1.1	15.9	10	
5	-	-	1196000.0	8307.8	143.0	8.654E+03	3.5	50.0	15	inflow from branches #17 & 18a
6	-	-	1196000.0	8308.8	143.0	8.655E+03	3.5	50.0	15	
7	350	35000.0	1231000.0	8309.8	148.0	8.815E+03	3.6	51.0	15	
6	450	45000.0	1276000.0	8310.8	153.0	8.973E+03	3.7	51.9	15	
7	485	48500.0	1324500.0	8311.8	159.0	9.159E+03	3.7	52.9	15	
8	450	45000.0	1369500.0	8312.8	164.0	9.311E+03	3.8	53.8	15	
9	575	57500.0	1427000.0	8313.8	171.0	9.520E+03	3.9	55.0	15	
10	170	17000.0	1444000.0	8314.8	173.0	9.580E+03	3.9	55.4	15	
11	-	-	3004500.0	8315.8	361.0	1.408E+04	5.8	81.4	18	inflow from branches #16 & 19

**BRANCH 18a**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	510	51000.0	51000.0	8304.8	6.0	1.400E+03	0.6	8.1	8	
2	505	50500.0	101500.0	8304.8	12.0	2.158E+03	0.9	12.5	8	
3	660	66000.0	167500.0	8305.8	20.0	2.921E+03	1.2	16.9	10	
4	700	70000.0	237500.0	8306.8	28.0	3.545E+03	1.4	20.5	10	
5	700	70000.0	307500.0	8307.8	37.0	4.149E+03	1.7	24.0	12	
6	350	35000.0	342500.0	8308.8	41.0	4.395E+03	1.8	25.4	12	

**BRANCH 19**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	442	44200.0	44200.0	8304.8	5.0	1.243E+03	0.5	7.2	8	
2	520	52000.0	96200.0	8304.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
3	650	65000.0	161200.0	8305.8	19.0	2.835E+03	1.2	16.4	10	
4	660	66000.0	227200.0	8306.8	27.0	3.472E+03	1.4	20.1	10	
5	700	70000.0	297200.0	8307.8	35.0	4.022E+03	1.6	23.2	10	
6	700	70000.0	367200.0	8308.8	44.0	4.571E+03	1.9	26.4	12	
7	700	70000.0	437200.0	8309.8	52.0	5.014E+03	2.0	29.0	12	
8	700	70000.0	507200.0	8310.8	61.0	5.473E+03	2.2	31.6	12	
9	170	17000.0	524200.0	8311.8	63.0	5.571E+03	2.3	32.2	12	
10	-	-	730900.0	8312.8	87.0	6.639E+03	2.7	38.4	12	inflow from branch #19a

## BRANCH 19a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	510	51000.0	51000.0	8304.8	6.0	1.400E+03	0.6	8.1	8	
2	612	61200.0	112200.0	8304.8	13.0	2.264E+03	0.9	13.1	8	
3	435	43500.0	155700.0	8305.8	18.0	2.747E+03	1.1	15.9	10	
4	360	36000.0	191700.0	8306.8	23.0	3.167E+03	1.3	18.3	10	
5	150	15000.0	206700.0	8307.8	24.0	3.246E+03	1.3	18.8	10	

## BRANCH 20

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	265	26500.0	26500.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	8	
2	590	59000.0	85500.0	8304.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
3	490	49000.0	134500.0	8305.8	16.0	2.563E+03	1.0	14.8	10	
4	700	70000.0	204500.0	8306.8	24.0	3.246E+03	1.3	18.8	10	
5	-		417000.0	8307.8	50.0	4.905E+03	2.0	28.4	12	inflow from branch #20a

## BRANCH 20a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	290	29000.0	29000.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	8	
2	650	65000.0	94000.0	8304.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
3	885	88500.0	182500.0	8305.8	21.0	3.005E+03	1.2	17.4	10	
4	300	30000.0	212500.0	8306.8	25.0	3.323E+03	1.4	19.2	10	

## BRANCH 21

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	300	30000.0	30000.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	8	
2	620	62000.0	92000.0	8304.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
3	700	70000.0	162000.0	8305.8	19.0	2.835E+03	1.2	16.4	10	
4	700	70000.0	232000.0	8306.8	27.0	3.472E+03	1.4	20.1	10	
5	-		354000.0	8307.8	42.0	4.454E+03	1.8	25.7	12	inflow from branch #21a
6	-		533000.0	8308.8	64.0	5.618E+03	2.3	32.5	12	inflow from branch #21b
7	-		533000.0	8309.8	64.0	5.618E+03	2.3	32.5	12	
8	700	70000.0	603000.0	8310.8	72.0	5.991E+03	2.4	34.6	12	
9	420	42000.0	645000.0	8311.8	77.0	6.214E+03	2.5	35.9	12	
10	700	70000.0	715000.0	8312.8	86.0	6.597E+03	2.7	38.1	12	
11	-		885500.0	8313.8	106.0	7.383E+03	3.0	42.7	15	inflow from branch #21c
12	555	55500.0	941000.0	8314.8	113.0	7.641E+03	3.1	44.2	15	
13	650	65000.0	1006000.0	8315.8	120.0	7.891E+03	3.2	45.6	15	
14	390	39000.0	1045000.0	8316.8	125.0	8.066E+03	3.3	46.6	15	
15	320	32000.0	1077000.0	8317.8	129.0	8.203E+03	3.4	47.4	15	
16	110	11000.0	1088000.0	8318.8	130.0	8.238E+03	3.4	47.6	15	
17	-		2003500.0	8319.8	240.0	1.139E+04	4.7	65.8	15	inflow from branches # 20 & 22

## BRANCH 21a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	310	31000.0	31000.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	8	
2	560	56000.0	87000.0	8304.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
3	350	35000.0	122000.0	8305.8	14.0	2.367E+03	1.0	13.7	10	

## BRANCH 21b

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	385	38500.0	38500.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
2	605	60500.0	99000.0	8304.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
3	490	49000.0	148000.0	8305.8	17.0	2.656E+03	1.1	15.4	10	
4	310	31000.0	179000.0	8306.8	21.0	3.005E+03	1.2	17.4	10	

## BRANCH 21c

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	85	8500.0	8500.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	8	
2	300	30000.0	38500.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
3	270	27000.0	65500.0	8305.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
4	315	31500.0	97000.0	8306.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
5	490	49000.0	146000.0	8307.8	17.0	2.657E+03	1.1	15.4	10	
6	245	24500.0	170500.0	8308.8	20.0	2.922E+03	1.2	16.9	10	

## BRANCH 22

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	290	29000.0	29000.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	8	
2	600	60000.0	89000.0	8304.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
3	655	65500.0	154500.0	8305.8	18.0	2.747E+03	1.1	15.9	10	
4	680	68000.0	222500.0	8306.8	26.0	3.398E+03	1.4	19.6	10	
5	700	70000.0	292500.0	8307.8	35.0	4.022E+03	1.6	23.2	10	
6	700	70000.0	362500.0	8308.8	43.0	4.513E+03	1.8	26.1	12	
7	700	70000.0	432500.0	8309.8	52.0	5.014E+03	2.0	29.0	12	
8	660	66000.0	498500.0	8310.8	59.0	5.375E+03	2.2	31.1	12	

**Attachment 7-2: Lean Ore Surge Pile, year 1**

Column height	H <sub>T</sub>	3.05 m
Hydraulic cond.	k	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	γ <sub>w</sub>	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	γ <sub>s</sub>	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	p	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	cv	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day
	t	1 day

Flux Rate m/day
For z= 0.0
Case 3
Single drain
H=H <sub>T</sub>
3.0

**BRANCH 1**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulative Tributary (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	106	10600.0	10600.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	6	
2	120	12000.0	22600.0	8304.8	2.0	7.691E+02	0.3	4.4	6	
3	159	15900.0	38500.0	8305.8	4.0	1.538E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
4	256	25600.0	64100.0	8306.8	7.0	2.692E+03	1.1	15.6	10	
5	137	13700.0	77800.0	8307.8	9.0	3.462E+03	1.4	20.0	10	
6	256	25600.0	103400.0	8308.8	12.0	4.617E+03	1.9	26.7	12	
7	138	13800.0	117200.0	8309.8	14.0	5.387E+03	2.2	31.1	12	
8	256	25600.0	142800.0	8310.8	17.0	6.542E+03	2.7	37.8	12	
9	137	13700.0	156500.0	8311.8	18.0	6.927E+03	2.8	40.0	15	
10	256	25600.0	182100.0	8312.8	21.0	8.083E+03	3.3	46.7	15	
11	256	25600.0	207700.0	8313.8	24.0	9.239E+03	3.8	53.4	15	
12	96	9600.0	217300.0	8314.8	26.0	1.001E+04	4.1	57.9	15	
13	116	11600.0	228900.0	8315.8	27.0	1.040E+04	4.2	60.1	15	
14	284	28400.0	257300.0	8316.8	30.0	1.155E+04	4.7	66.8	15	
15	133	13300.0	270600.0	8317.8	32.0	1.232E+04	5.0	71.2	18	
16	101	10100.0	280700.0	8318.8	33.0	1.271E+04	5.2	73.5	18	
17			355100.0	8319.8	42.0	1.618E+04	6.6	93.5	18	Inflow from branch 1a
18	121	12100.0	367200.0	8320.8	44.0	1.695E+04	6.9	98.0	18	
19	92	9200.0	376400.0	8321.8	45.0	1.734E+04	7.1	100.2	18	
20	125	12500.0	388900.0	8322.8	46.0	1.773E+04	7.2	102.5	18	
21	125	12500.0	401400.0	8323.8	48.0	1.850E+04	7.6	106.9	18	
22	129	12900.0	414300.0	8324.8	49.0	1.889E+04	7.7	109.2	18	
23	257	25734.0	440034.0	8325.8	52.0	2.005E+04	8.2	115.9	21	Actual length 123 ft
24	124	12400.0	452434.0	8326.8	54.0	2.082E+04	8.5	120.3	21	
25	276	27643.0	480077.0	8327.8	57.0	2.198E+04	9.0	127.0	21	Actual length 126 ft
26	122	12200.0	492277.0	8328.8	59.0	2.275E+04	9.3	131.5	21	
27	126	12600.0	504877.0	8329.8	60.0	2.314E+04	9.5	133.8	21	
28	127	12700.0	517577.0	8330.8	62.0	2.392E+04	9.8	138.2	21	
29	111	11100.0	528677.0	8331.8	63.0	2.430E+04	9.9	140.5	21	
30	130	13000.0	541677.0	8332.8	65.0	2.508E+04	10.3	145.0	21	
31	44	4400.0	546077.0	8333.8	65.0	2.508E+04	10.3	145.0	21	
32	86	8600.0	554677.0	8334.8	66.0	2.547E+04	10.4	147.2	21	
33	32	3200.0	557877.0	8335.8	66.0	2.547E+04	10.4	147.2	21	
34			1156618.0	8336.8	138.0	5.327E+04	21.8	307.9	27	Inflow from branch #5
35	89	8900.0	1165518.0	8337.8	139.0	5.366E+04	21.9	310.2	27	

**BRANCH 1a**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulative Tributary (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	98	9800.0	9800.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	6	
2	185	18500.0	28300.0	8304.8	3.0	1.154E+03	0.5	6.7	8	
3	181	18100.0	46400.0	8305.8	5.0	1.923E+03	0.8	11.1	8	
4	280	28000.0	74400.0	8306.8	8.0	3.077E+03	1.3	17.8	10	

**BRANCH 2**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulate d Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	120	12000.0	12000.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	6	
2	173	17300.0	29300.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	6	
3	146	14600.0	43900.0	8305.8	5.0	1.243E+03	0.5	7.2	8	
4	256	25600.0	69500.0	8306.8	8.0	1.681E+03	0.7	9.7	8	
5	120	12000.0	81500.0	8307.8	9.0	1.810E+03	0.7	10.5	8	
6	256	25600.0	107100.0	8308.8	12.0	2.159E+03	0.9	12.5	8	
7	256	25600.0	132700.0	8309.8	15.0	2.468E+03	1.0	14.3	10	
8	161	16100.0	148800.0	8310.8	17.0	2.658E+03	1.1	15.4	10	
9	256	25600.0	174400.0	8311.8	20.0	2.923E+03	1.2	16.9	10	
10	149	14900.0	189300.0	8312.8	22.0	3.089E+03	1.3	17.9	10	
11	256	25600.0	214900.0	8313.8	25.0	3.325E+03	1.4	19.2	10	
12	166	16600.0	231500.0	8314.8	27.0	3.474E+03	1.4	20.1	10	
13	256	25600.0	257100.0	8315.8	30.0	3.687E+03	1.5	21.3	10	
14	177	17700.0	274800.0	8316.8	33.0	3.889E+03	1.6	22.5	10	
15	256	25600.0	300400.0	8317.8	36.0	4.081E+03	1.7	23.6	10	
16	182	18200.0	318600.0	8318.8	38.0	4.204E+03	1.7	24.3	12	
17	256	25600.0	344200.0	8319.8	41.0	4.380E+03	1.8	25.3	12	
18	190	19000.0	363200.0	8320.8	43.0	4.494E+03	1.8	26.0	12	
19	251	25100.0	388300.0	8321.8	46.0	4.657E+03	1.9	26.9	12	
20	256	25600.0	413900.0	8322.8	49.0	4.812E+03	2.0	27.8	12	
21	178	17800.0	431700.0	8323.8	51.0	4.912E+03	2.0	28.4	12	
22	171	17100.0	448800.0	8324.8	53.0	5.009E+03	2.0	29.0	12	
23	140	14000.0	462800.0	8325.8	55.0	5.103E+03	2.1	29.5	12	
24	254	25400.0	488200.0	8326.8	58.0	5.239E+03	2.1	30.3	12	
25	185	18500.0	506700.0	8327.8	60.0	5.326E+03	2.2	30.8	12	
26	205	20500.0	527200.0	8328.8	63.0	5.451E+03	2.2	31.5	12	
27	270	27000.0	554200.0	8329.8	66.0	5.571E+03	2.3	32.2	12	
28	110	11000.0	565200.0	8330.8	67.0	5.610E+03	2.3	32.4	12	
29	317	31700.0	596900.0	8331.8	71.0	5.759E+03	2.4	33.3	12	
30	306	30600.0	627500.0	8332.8	75.0	5.899E+03	2.4	34.1	12	
31			1061776.0	8333.8	127.0	7.108E+03	2.9	41.1	15	Inflow from branch #3
32			1136489.0	8334.8	136.0	7.236E+03	3.0	41.8	15	Inflow from branch #2a

**BRANCH 2a**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulate d Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	399	39913.0	39913.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	Actual length 240 ft
2	348	34800.0	74713.0	8304.8	8.0	1.681E+03	0.7	9.7	8	

**BRANCH 3**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulate d Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	284	28358.0	28358.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	6	Actual length 210 ft
2	142	14200.0	42558.0	8304.8	5.0	1.243E+03	0.5	7.2	8	
3	275	27500.0	70058.0	8305.8	8.0	1.681E+03	0.7	9.7	8	
4	194	19400.0	89458.0	8306.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
5	207	20700.0	110158.0	8307.8	13.0	2.265E+03	0.9	13.1	8	
6	337	33700.0	143858.0	8308.8	17.0	2.657E+03	1.1	15.4	10	
7	192	19200.0	163058.0	8309.8	19.0	2.836E+03	1.2	16.4	10	
8	343	34300.0	197358.0	8310.8	23.0	3.168E+03	1.3	18.3	10	
9	193	19300.0	216658.0	8311.8	26.0	3.399E+03	1.4	19.6	10	
10	180	18000.0	234658.0	8312.8	28.0	3.545E+03	1.4	20.5	10	
11	185	18500.0	253158.0	8313.8	30.0	3.686E+03	1.5	21.3	10	
12	342	34200.0	287358.0	8314.8	34.0	3.953E+03	1.6	22.9	10	
13	191	19100.0	306458.0	8315.8	36.0	4.080E+03	1.7	23.6	10	
14	169	16900.0	323358.0	8316.8	38.0	4.203E+03	1.7	24.3	12	
15	363	36300.0	359658.0	8317.8	43.0	4.492E+03	1.8	26.0	12	
16	164	16400.0	376058.0	8318.8	45.0	4.602E+03	1.9	26.6	12	
17	461	46118.0	422176.0	8319.8	50.0	4.861E+03	2.0	28.1	12	Actual length 349 ft
19	121	12100.0	434276.0	8320.8	52.0	4.959E+03	2.0	28.7	12	

**BRANCH 4**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulate d Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	157	15700.0	15700.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	6	
2	198	19800.0	35500.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
3	192	19200.0	54700.0	8305.8	6.0	1.400E+03	0.6	8.1	8	
4	245	24500.0	79200.0	8306.8	9.0	1.810E+03	0.7	10.5	8	
5	319	31900.0	111100.0	8307.8	13.0	2.265E+03	0.9	13.1	8	
6	264	26400.0	137500.0	8308.8	16.0	2.564E+03	1.0	14.8	10	
7		0.0	236600.0	8309.8	28.0	3.544E+03	1.4	20.5	10	Inflow from branch #4a

**BRANCH 4a**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulate d Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	349	34900.0	34900.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
2	293	29300.0	64200.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
3	349	34900.0	99100.0	8305.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	

**BRANCH 5**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulate d Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	452	45154.0	45154.0	8304.8	5.0	1.243E+03	0.5	7.2	8	Actual length 175 ft
2	159	15900.0	61054.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
3	358	35808.0	96862.0	8305.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	Actual length 148 ft
4	160	16000.0	112862.0	8306.8	13.0	2.265E+03	0.9	13.1	8	
5	332	33225.0	146087.0	8307.8	17.0	2.657E+03	1.1	15.4	10	Actual length 131 ft
6	155	15500.0	161587.0	8308.8	19.0	2.836E+03	1.2	16.4	10	
7	276	27555.0	189142.0	8309.8	22.0	3.088E+03	1.3	17.8	10	Actual length 134 ft
8	154	15400.0	204542.0	8310.8	24.0	3.247E+03	1.3	18.8	10	
9	252	25150.0	229692.0	8311.8	27.0	3.473E+03	1.4	20.1	10	Actual length 135 ft
10	160	16000.0	245692.0	8312.8	29.0	3.616E+03	1.5	20.9	10	
11	216	21577.0	267269.0	8313.8	32.0	3.822E+03	1.6	22.1	10	Actual length 127 ft
12	157	15700.0	282969.0	8314.8	34.0	3.953E+03	1.6	22.9	10	
13	176	17605.0	300574.0	8315.8	36.0	4.080E+03	1.7	23.6	10	Actual length 132 ft
14	184	18400.0	318974.0	8316.8	38.0	4.203E+03	1.7	24.3	12	
15		0.0	418074.0	8317.8	50.0	4.859E+03	2.0	28.1	12	Inflow from branch #4
16	572	57160.0	475234.0	8318.8	57.0	5.189E+03	2.1	30.0	12	Actual length 146 ft
17	157	15700.0	490934.0	8319.8	59.0	5.278E+03	2.2	30.5	12	
18	573	57298.0	548232.0	8320.8	65.0	5.526E+03	2.3	31.9	12	Actual length 190 ft
19	153	15300.0	563532.0	8321.8	67.0	5.604E+03	2.3	32.4	12	
20	214	21409.0	584941.0	8322.8	70.0	5.716E+03	2.3	33.0	12	Actual length 185 ft
21	138	13800.0	598741.0	8323.8	71.0	5.753E+03	2.4	33.3	12	

- 478** - Indicates areas where secondary piping acts as tertiary piping.
- 512** - Relevant areas converted to equivalent tertiary piping length for ease of table calculations.
- 125** - Indicates areas where secondary piping acts as tertiary piping, and where equivalent lengths are used.

**Attachment 7-3: Category 4 Stockpile, year 1**

Column height	H <sub>r</sub>	8.53 m
Hydraulic cond.	k	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	γ <sub>w</sub>	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	γ <sub>s</sub>	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	p	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	cv	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day
	t	1 day

Flux Rate m/day
For z= 0.0
Case 3
Single drain
H=H <sub>r</sub>
8.5

**BRANCH 1**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	383	38300.0	38300.0	8304.8	4.0	1.538E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
2	410	41000.0	79300.0	8304.8	9.0	3.461E+03	1.4	20.0	10	
3	491	49100.0	128400.0	8304.8	15.0	5.768E+03	2.4	33.3	12	
4	512	51200.0	179600.0	8304.8	21.0	8.075E+03	3.3	46.7	15	
5	512	51200.0	230800.0	8304.8	27.0	1.038E+04	4.2	60.0	15	
6	512	51200.0	282000.0	8304.8	33.0	1.269E+04	5.2	73.3	18	
7	512	51200.0	333200.0	8304.8	40.0	1.538E+04	6.3	88.9	18	
8	250	25000.0	358200.0	8304.8	43.0	1.653E+04	6.8	95.6	18	
9	-	-	436200.0	8304.8	52.0	2.000E+04	8.2	115.6	21	
10	512	51200.0	487400.0	8304.8	58.0	2.230E+04	9.1	128.9	21	inflow from branch #2
11	512	51200.0	538600.0	8304.8	64.0	2.461E+04	10.1	142.3	21	
12	512	51200.0	589800.0	8304.8	71.0	2.730E+04	11.2	157.8	21	
13	410	41000.0	630800.0	8304.8	75.0	2.884E+04	11.8	166.7	21	
14	420	42000.0	672800.0	8304.8	81.0	3.115E+04	12.7	180.0	24	
15	380	38000.0	710800.0	8304.8	85.0	3.268E+04	13.4	188.9	24	
16	484	48400.0	759200.0	8304.8	91.0	3.499E+04	14.3	202.3	24	
17	484	48400.0	807600.0	8304.8	97.0	3.730E+04	15.2	215.6	24	
18	512	51200.0	858800.0	8304.8	103.0	3.961E+04	16.2	228.9	24	
19	512	51200.0	910000.0	8304.8	109.0	4.191E+04	17.1	242.3	24	
20	-	-	1239100.0	8304.8	149.0	5.729E+04	23.4	331.2	27	inflow from branch #3

**BRANCH 2**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	680	68000.0	68000.0	8304.8	8.0	3.076E+03	1.3	17.8	10	
2	100	10000.0	78000.0	8304.8	9.0	3.461E+03	1.4	20.0	10	

**BRANCH 3**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	580	58000.0	58000.0	8304.8	6.0	2.307E+03	0.9	13.3	10	
2	316	31600.0	89600.0	8304.8	10.0	3.845E+03	1.6	22.2	10	
3	580	58000.0	147600.0	8305.8	17.0	6.538E+03	2.7	37.8	12	
4	570	57000.0	204600.0	8306.8	24.0	9.231E+03	3.8	53.4	15	
5	520	52000.0	256600.0	8307.8	30.0	1.154E+04	4.7	66.7	15	
6	350	35000.0	291600.0	8308.8	35.0	1.346E+04	5.5	77.8	18	
7	300	30000.0	321600.0	8309.8	38.0	1.462E+04	6.0	84.5	18	
8	75	7500.0	329100.0	8310.8	39.0	1.501E+04	6.1	86.7	18	

**BRANCH 4**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	105	10500.0	10500.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	6	
2	225	22500.0	33000.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	6	
3	250	25000.0	58000.0	8304.8	6.0	1.400E+03	0.6	8.1	8	
4	255	25500.0	83500.0	8304.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
5	290	29000.0	112500.0	8304.8	13.0	2.264E+03	0.9	13.1	8	
6	350	35000.0	147500.0	8304.8	17.0	2.656E+03	1.1	15.4	10	
7	345	34500.0	182000.0	8304.8	21.0	3.004E+03	1.2	17.4	10	
8	375	37500.0	219500.0	8304.8	26.0	3.397E+03	1.4	19.6	10	
9	-	-	219500.0	8304.8	26.0	3.397E+03	1.4	19.6	10	
10	590	59000.0	278500.0	8304.8	33.0	3.890E+03	1.6	22.5	10	
11	675	67500.0	346000.0	8304.8	41.0	4.393E+03	1.8	25.4	12	
12	690	69000.0	415000.0	8304.8	49.0	4.849E+03	2.0	28.0	12	
13	600	60000.0	475000.0	8304.8	57.0	5.270E+03	2.2	30.5	12	
14	350	35000.0	510000.0	8304.8	61.0	5.470E+03	2.2	31.6	12	
15	610	61000.0	571000.0	8304.8	68.0	5.804E+03	2.4	33.5	12	
16	450	45000.0	616000.0	8304.8	74.0	6.076E+03	2.5	35.1	12	
17	435	43500.0	659500.0	8304.8	79.0	6.296E+03	2.6	36.4	12	
18	440	44000.0	703500.0	8304.8	84.0	6.508E+03	2.7	37.6	12	
19	350	35000.0	738500.0	8304.8	88.0	6.673E+03	2.7	38.6	12	
20	-	-	1977600.0	8304.8	238.0	1.131E+04	4.6	65.4	15	inflow from branch #1

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- indicates value includes estimate of areas where secondary piping acts as tertiary piping.
- Relevant areas converted to equivalent tertiary piping length for ease of table

**Attachment 7-4: Category 3 Lean Ore Stockpile, year 1**

Column height	H <sub>r</sub>	6.71 m
Hydraulic cond.	k	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	γ <sub>w</sub>	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	γ <sub>s</sub>	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	p	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	cv	0.058 m <sup>2</sup> /day
	t	1 day

Flux Rate m/day
For z= 0.0
Case 3
Single drain
H=H <sub>r</sub>
6.7

**BRANCH 1**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	556	55600.0	55600.0	8304.8	6.0	2.307E+03	0.9	13.3	10	
2	512	51200.0	106800.0	8304.8	12.0	4.614E+03	1.9	26.7	12	
3	477	47700.0	154500.0	8305.8	18.0	6.922E+03	2.8	40.0	15	
4	429	42900.0	197400.0	8306.8	23.0	8.846E+03	3.6	51.1	15	
5	380	38000.0	235400.0	8307.8	28.0	1.077E+04	4.4	62.3	15	
6	256	25600.0	261000.0	8308.8	31.0	1.193E+04	4.9	68.9	15	
7	365	36500.0	297500.0	8309.8	35.0	1.347E+04	5.5	77.8	18	
8	366	36600.0	334100.0	8310.8	40.0	1.539E+04	6.3	89.0	18	
9	519	51900.0	386000.0	8311.8	46.0	1.770E+04	7.2	102.3	18	
10	241	24100.0	410100.0	8312.8	49.0	1.886E+04	7.7	109.0	18	
11	340	34000.0	444100.0	8313.8	53.0	2.040E+04	8.3	117.9	21	
12	654	65400.0	509500.0	8314.8	61.0	2.348E+04	9.6	135.7	21	
13	455	45500.0	555000.0	8315.8	66.0	2.541E+04	10.4	146.9	21	

**BRANCH 2**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	355	35500.0	35500.0	8304.8	4.0	1.538E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
2	256	25600.0	61100.0	8304.8	7.0	2.692E+03	1.1	15.6	10	
3	512	51200.0	112300.0	8305.8	13.0	4.999E+03	2.0	28.9	12	
4	512	51200.0	163500.0	8306.8	19.0	7.308E+03	3.0	42.2	15	
5	463	46300.0	209800.0	8307.8	25.0	9.617E+03	3.9	55.6	15	
6	399	39900.0	249700.0	8308.8	30.0	1.154E+04	4.7	66.7	15	
7	328	32800.0	282500.0	8309.8	33.0	1.270E+04	5.2	73.4	18	
8	618	61800.0	344300.0	8310.8	41.0	1.578E+04	6.4	91.2	18	
9	551	55100.0	399400.0	8311.8	48.0	1.847E+04	7.6	106.8	18	

**BRANCH 3**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	417	41700.0	41700.0	8304.8	5.0	1.923E+03	0.8	11.1	8	
2	512	51200.0	92900.0	8304.8	11.0	4.230E+03	1.7	24.4	12	
3	512	51200.0	144100.0	8305.8	17.0	6.538E+03	2.7	37.8	12	
4	512	51200.0	195300.0	8306.8	23.0	8.846E+03	3.6	51.1	15	
5	512	51200.0	246500.0	8307.8	29.0	1.116E+04	4.6	64.5	15	
6	477	47700.0	294200.0	8308.8	35.0	1.346E+04	5.5	77.8	18	
7	410	41000.0	335200.0	8309.8	40.0	1.539E+04	6.3	89.0	18	
8	383	38300.0	373500.0	8310.8	44.0	1.693E+04	6.9	97.9	18	
9	256	25600.0	399100.0	8311.8	48.0	1.847E+04	7.6	106.8	18	
10	196	19600.0	418700.0	8312.8	50.0	1.924E+04	7.9	111.2	18	
11	154	15400.0	434100.0	8313.8	52.0	2.002E+04	8.2	115.7	21	
12	99	9900.0	444000.0	8314.8	53.0	2.040E+04	8.3	117.9	21	
13		1229300.0	1673300.0	8315.8	201.0	7.739E+04	31.6	447.4	33	inflow from branch #4
14		1628700.0	3302000.0	8316.8	397.0	1.529E+05	62.5	883.7	42	inflow from branch #2
15	430	43000.0	3345000.0	8317.8	402.0	1.548E+05	63.3	894.9	42	
16	200	20000.0	3365000.0	8318.8	404.0	1.556E+05	63.6	899.5	42	
17		575000.0	3940000.0	8319.8	473.0	1.822E+05	74.5	1053.2	42	inflow from branch #1

## BRANCH 4

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	356	35600.0	35600.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
2	512	51200.0	86800.0	8304.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
3	512	51200.0	138000.0	8305.8	16.0	2.563E+03	1.0	14.8	10	
4	512	51200.0	189200.0	8306.8	22.0	3.087E+03	1.3	17.8	10	
5	512	51200.0	240400.0	8307.8	28.0	3.545E+03	1.4	20.5	10	
6	512	51200.0	291600.0	8308.8	35.0	4.023E+03	1.6	23.3	10	
7	512	51200.0	342800.0	8309.8	41.0	4.395E+03	1.8	25.4	12	
8	512	51200.0	394000.0	8310.8	47.0	4.742E+03	1.9	27.4	12	
9	424	42400.0	436400.0	8311.8	52.0	5.015E+03	2.0	29.0	12	
10	512	51200.0	487600.0	8312.8	58.0	5.326E+03	2.2	30.8	12	
11		731800.0	1219400.0	8313.8	146.0	8.749E+03	3.6	50.6	15	includes inflow from branch # 5

## BRANCH 5

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	462	46200.0	46200.0	8304.8	5.0	1.243E+03	0.5	7.2	8	
2	512	51200.0	435300.0	8304.8	52.0	5.011E+03	2.0	29.0	12	includes inflow from branch #5a
3	356	35600.0	470900.0	8305.8	56.0	5.220E+03	2.1	30.2	12	
4	256	25600.0	559500.0	8306.8	67.0	5.758E+03	2.4	33.3	12	includes flow from branch #5b
5	369	36900.0	596400.0	8307.8	71.0	5.944E+03	2.4	34.4	12	
6	842	84200.0	680600.0	8308.8	81.0	6.384E+03	2.6	36.9	12	

## BRANCH 5a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	182	18200.0	18200.0	8304.8	2.0	6.564E+02	0.3	3.8	6	
2	775	77500.0	95700.0	8304.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
3	352	35200.0	130900.0	8305.8	15.0	2.467E+03	1.0	14.3	10	
4	983	98300.0	229200.0	8306.8	27.0	3.472E+03	1.4	20.1	10	
5	1087	108700.0	337900.0	8307.8	40.0	4.334E+03	1.8	25.1	12	

## BRANCH 5b

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	404	40400.0	40400.0	8304.8	4.0	1.071E+03	0.4	6.2	8	
2	226	22600.0	63000.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	

## BRANCH 6

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	243	24300.0	24300.0	8304.8	2.0	6.564E+02	0.3	3.8	6	
2	242	24200.0	48500.0	8304.8	5.0	1.243E+03	0.5	7.2	8	
3	241	24100.0	72600.0	8305.8	8.0	1.681E+03	0.7	9.7	8	
4	212	21200.0	93800.0	8306.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
5	195	19500.0	113300.0	8307.8	13.0	2.265E+03	0.9	13.1	8	
6	800	80000.0	193300.0	8308.8	23.0	3.168E+03	1.3	18.3	10	

**BRANCH 7**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	274	27400.0	27400.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	6	
2	321	32100.0	59500.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
3	326	32600.0	92100.0	8305.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
4	326	32600.0	124700.0	8306.8	15.0	2.467E+03	1.0	14.3	10	
5	326	32600.0	157300.0	8307.8	18.0	2.747E+03	1.1	15.9	10	
6	326	32600.0	189900.0	8308.8	22.0	3.088E+03	1.3	17.8	10	
7	316	31600.0	221500.0	8309.8	26.0	3.399E+03	1.4	19.7	10	
8	472	47200.0	268700.0	8310.8	32.0	3.826E+03	1.6	22.1	10	
9	512	51200.0	319900.0	8311.8	38.0	4.214E+03	1.7	24.4	12	
10	512	51200.0	371100.0	8312.8	44.0	4.573E+03	1.9	26.4	12	
11	512	51200.0	422300.0	8313.8	50.0	4.909E+03	2.0	28.4	12	
12	512	51200.0	473500.0	8314.8	56.0	5.225E+03	2.1	30.2	12	
13	470	47000.0	520500.0	8315.8	62.0	5.526E+03	2.3	31.9	12	
14	441	44100.0	564600.0	8316.8	67.0	5.765E+03	2.4	33.3	12	
15	384	38400.0	603000.0	8317.8	72.0	5.996E+03	2.5	34.7	12	
16	344	34400.0	637400.0	8318.8	76.0	6.175E+03	2.5	35.7	12	
17	150	15000.0	652400.0	8319.8	78.0	6.264E+03	2.6	36.2	12	
18	130	13000.0	665400.0	8320.8	79.0	6.308E+03	2.6	36.5	12	
19	120	12000.0	677400.0	8321.8	81.0	6.394E+03	2.6	37.0	12	
20	140	14000.0	1820200.0	8322.8	218.0	1.076E+04	4.4	62.2	15	includes inflow from branch # 9
21	229	22900.0	1843100.0	8323.8	221.0	1.084E+04	4.4	62.6	15	
22			2036400.0	8324.8	244.0	1.138E+04	4.7	65.8	15	inflow from Branch #6
23	184	18400.0	2054800.0	8325.8	246.0	1.142E+04	4.7	66.0	15	
24	190	19000.0	2073800.0	8326.8	249.0	1.149E+04	4.7	66.4	15	
25	427	42700.0	2116500.0	8327.8	254.0	1.160E+04	4.7	67.1	15	
26	517	51700.0	2168200.0	8328.8	260.0	1.173E+04	4.8	67.8	15	

**BRANCH 8**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	507	50700.0	50700.0	8304.8	6.0	1.400E+03	0.6	8.1	8	
2	512	51200.0	101900.0	8304.8	12.0	2.158E+03	0.9	12.5	8	
3	512	51200.0	153100.0	8305.8	18.0	2.747E+03	1.1	15.9	10	
4	512	51200.0	204300.0	8306.8	24.0	3.246E+03	1.3	18.8	10	
5	512	51200.0	255500.0	8307.8	30.0	3.687E+03	1.5	21.3	10	
6	182	18200.0	273700.0	8308.8	32.0	3.825E+03	1.6	22.1	10	
7	527	52700.0	326400.0	8309.8	39.0	4.274E+03	1.7	24.7	12	

**BRANCH 9**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	161	16100.0	16100.0	8304.8	1.0	3.845E+02	0.2	2.2	6	
2	607	60700.0	76800.0	8304.8	9.0	1.809E+03	0.7	10.5	8	
3	63	6300.0	83100.0	8305.8	10.0	1.931E+03	0.8	11.2	8	
4	157	15700.0	98800.0	8306.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
5			935900.0	8307.8	112.0	7.597E+03	3.1	43.9	15	inflows from branches # 8 & 10
6			1043600.0	8308.8	125.0	8.055E+03	3.3	46.6	15	inflow from branch # 9a
7	332	33200.0	1076800.0	8309.8	129.0	8.192E+03	3.3	47.4	15	
8	520	52000.0	1128800.0	8310.8	135.0	8.392E+03	3.4	48.5	15	

**BRANCH 9a**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	939	93900.0	93900.0	8304.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	
2	138	13800.0	107700.0	8304.8	12.0	2.158E+03	0.9	12.5	8	

## BRANCH 10

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	916	91600.0	91600.0	8304.8	11.0	2.047E+03	0.8	11.8	8	inflow from branch #10a
2	133	13300.0	104900.0	8304.8	12.0	2.158E+03	0.9	12.5	8	
3	320	32000.0	136900.0	8305.8	16.0	2.563E+03	1.0	14.8	10	
4			195600.0	8306.8	23.0	3.167E+03	1.3	18.3	10	
5	1169	116900.0	312500.0	8307.8	37.0	4.149E+03	1.7	24.0	12	
6	40	4000.0	316500.0	8308.8	38.0	4.212E+03	1.7	24.3	12	
7	421	42100.0	358600.0	8309.8	43.0	4.513E+03	1.8	26.1	12	
8	372	37200.0	395800.0	8310.8	47.0	4.742E+03	1.9	27.4	12	
9	399	39900.0	435700.0	8311.8	52.0	5.015E+03	2.0	29.0	12	
10	494	49400.0	485100.0	8312.8	58.0	5.326E+03	2.2	30.8	12	
11	256	25600.0	510700.0	8313.8	61.0	5.475E+03	2.2	31.7	12	

## BRANCH 10a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	587	58700.0	58700.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	

## BRANCH 11

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	828	82800.0	82800.0	8304.8	9.0	1.809E+03	0.7	10.5	8	includes inflow from branch #11a
2	199	19900.0	102700.0	8304.8	12.0	2.158E+03	0.9	12.5	8	
3	1123	112300.0	215000.0	8305.8	25.0	3.322E+03	1.4	19.2	10	
4	670	67000.0	282000.0	8306.8	33.0	3.891E+03	1.6	22.5	10	
5	256	25600.0	307600.0	8307.8	37.0	4.149E+03	1.7	24.0	12	
6	200	20000.0	327600.0	8308.8	39.0	4.274E+03	1.7	24.7	12	
7	178	17800.0	504600.0	8309.8	60.0	5.424E+03	2.2	31.4	12	
8	117	11700.0	516300.0	8310.8	62.0	5.522E+03	2.3	31.9	12	

## BRANCH 11a

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Pipng (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	1592	159200.0	159200.0	8304.8	19.0	2.835E+03	1.2	16.4	10	

- 478 - indicates value includes estimate of areas where secondary piping acts as tertiary piping.  
- Relevant areas converted to equivalent tertiary piping length for ease of table

**Attachment 7-5: Category 2/3 Stockpile, year 1**

Column height	H <sub>T</sub>	12.19 m
Hydraulic cond.	k	8.64E-03 m/day
Water density	γ <sub>w</sub>	9.81 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Soil density	γ <sub>s</sub>	19.98 kN/m <sup>3</sup>
Load on surface	p	235.6 kN/m <sup>2</sup>
Consolidation coef.	cv	0.06 m <sup>2</sup> /day
	t	1.00 day

Flux Rate m/day
For z= 0.0
Case 3
Single drain
H=H <sub>T</sub> 12.2

**BRANCH 1**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	758	75800.0	75800.0	8304.8	9.0	3.461E+03	1.4	20.0	10	
2	446	44600.0	120400.0	8304.8	14.0	5.383E+03	2.2	31.1	12	
3	658	65800.0	186200.0	8305.8	22.0	8.461E+03	3.5	48.9	15	
4	461	46100.0	232300.0	8306.8	27.0	1.038E+04	4.2	60.0	15	
5	575	57500.0	289800.0	8307.8	34.0	1.308E+04	5.3	75.6	18	
6	620	62000.0	351800.0	8308.8	42.0	1.616E+04	6.6	93.4	18	
7	150	15000.0	366800.0	8309.8	44.0	1.693E+04	6.9	97.9	18	
8	450	45000.0	411800.0	8310.8	49.0	1.886E+04	7.7	109.0	18	
9	510	51000.0	462800.0	8311.8	55.0	2.117E+04	8.7	122.4	21	
10	550	55000.0	517800.0	8312.8	62.0	2.386E+04	9.8	137.9	21	

**BRANCH 2**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	745	74500.0	74500.0	8304.8	8.0	3.076E+03	1.3	17.8	10	
2	512	51200.0	125700.0	8304.8	15.0	5.768E+03	2.4	33.3	12	
3	758	75800.0	201500.0	8305.8	24.0	9.230E+03	3.8	53.4	15	
4	410	41000.0	242500.0	8306.8	29.0	1.115E+04	4.6	64.5	15	
5	700	70000.0	312500.0	8307.8	37.0	1.423E+04	5.8	82.3	18	

**BRANCH 3**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	256	25600.0	25600.0	8304.8	3.0	1.154E+03	0.5	6.7	8	
2	460	46000.0	71600.0	8304.8	8.0	3.076E+03	1.3	17.8	10	
3	385	38500.0	110100.0	8305.8	13.0	4.999E+03	2.0	28.9	12	
4	430	43000.0	153100.0	8306.8	18.0	6.923E+03	2.8	40.0	15	
5	765	76500.0	229600.0	8307.8	27.0	1.039E+04	4.2	60.0	15	
6	280	28000.0	257600.0	8308.8	31.0	1.193E+04	4.9	68.9	15	
7	380	38000.0	295600.0	8309.8	35.0	1.347E+04	5.5	77.8	18	
8	385	38500.0	334100.0	8310.8	40.0	1.539E+04	6.3	89.0	18	
9	-	-	646600.0	8311.8	77.0	2.963E+04	12.1	171.3	21	inflow from branch #2
10	435	43500.0	690100.0	8312.8	83.0	3.195E+04	13.1	184.7	24	
11	200	20000.0	710100.0	8313.8	85.0	3.272E+04	13.4	189.1	24	
12	-	-	1248700.0	8314.8	150.0	5.775E+04	23.6	333.8	27	inflow from branch #5
13	-	-	2827700.0	8315.8	340.0	1.309E+05	53.5	756.7	42	Inflow from branches #1 & 7

**BRANCH 4**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	500	50000.0	50000.0	8304.8	6.0	2.307E+03	0.9	13.3	10	
2	456	45600.0	95600.0	8304.8	11.0	4.230E+03	1.7	24.4	12	
3	430	43000.0	138600.0	8305.8	16.0	6.153E+03	2.5	35.6	12	
4	692	69200.0	207800.0	8306.8	25.0	9.615E+03	3.9	55.6	15	
5	176	17600.0	225400.0	8307.8	27.0	1.039E+04	4.2	60.0	15	

**BRANCH 5**

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft2/day)	T (days)	Flow (m3/day)	Cumulative Flow (ft3/s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	326	32600.0	32600.0	8304.8	3.0	1.154E+03	0.5	6.7	8	
2	607	60700.0	93300.0	8304.8	11.0	4.230E+03	1.7	24.4	12	
3	639	63900.0	157200.0	8305.8	18.0	6.922E+03	2.8	40.0	15	
4	605	60500.0	217700.0	8306.8	26.0	1.000E+04	4.1	57.8	15	
5	485	48500.0	266200.0	8307.8	32.0	1.231E+04	5.0	71.2	18	
6	-	-	491600.0	8308.8	59.0	2.270E+04	9.3	131.2	21	inflow from branch #4
7	470	47000.0	538600.0	8309.8	64.0	2.462E+04	10.1	142.3	21	

## BRANCH 6

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	256	25600.0	25600.0	8304.8	3.0	8.784E+02	0.4	5.1	6	
2	356	35600.0	61200.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
3	439	43900.0	105100.0	8305.8	12.0	2.158E+03	0.9	12.5	8	
4	472	47200.0	152300.0	8306.8	18.0	2.747E+03	1.1	15.9	10	
5	434	43400.0	195700.0	8307.8	23.0	3.168E+03	1.3	18.3	10	
6	474	47400.0	243100.0	8308.8	29.0	3.617E+03	1.5	20.9	10	
7	470	47000.0	290100.0	8309.8	34.0	3.958E+03	1.6	22.9	10	
8	474	47400.0	337500.0	8310.8	40.0	4.336E+03	1.8	25.1	12	
9	256	25600.0	363100.0	8311.8	43.0	4.515E+03	1.8	26.1	12	

## BRANCH 7

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	235	23500.0	23500.0	8304.8	2.0	6.564E+02	0.3	3.8	6	
2	369	36900.0	60400.0	8304.8	7.0	1.545E+03	0.6	8.9	8	
3	472	47200.0	107600.0	8305.8	12.0	2.158E+03	0.9	12.5	8	
4	491	49100.0	156700.0	8306.8	18.0	2.747E+03	1.1	15.9	10	
5	491	49100.0	205800.0	8307.8	24.0	3.246E+03	1.3	18.8	10	
6	456	45600.0	251400.0	8308.8	30.0	3.688E+03	1.5	21.3	10	
7	246	24600.0	276000.0	8309.8	33.0	3.892E+03	1.6	22.5	10	
8	681	68100.0	344100.0	8310.8	41.0	4.396E+03	1.8	25.4	12	
9	598	59800.0	403900.0	8311.8	48.0	4.798E+03	2.0	27.7	12	
10	-	-	767000.0	8312.8	92.0	6.842E+03	2.8	39.5	15	inflow from branch # 6
11	430	43000.0	810000.0	8313.8	97.0	7.040E+03	2.9	40.7	15	
12	410	41000.0	851000.0	8314.8	102.0	7.233E+03	3.0	41.8	15	
13	435	43500.0	894500.0	8315.8	107.0	7.422E+03	3.0	42.9	15	
14	366	36600.0	1061200.0	8316.8	127.0	8.134E+03	3.3	47.0	15	includes inflow from branch # 8

## BRANCH 8

Segment	Plan Length of Tertiary Piping (ft)	Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cumulated Tributary Area (ft <sup>2</sup> )	Area per day (ft <sup>2</sup> /day)	T (days)	Flow (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	Cumulative Flow (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	k	Dia. (in)	Notes
1	177	17700.0	17700.0	8304.8	2.0	6.564E+02	0.3	3.8	6	
2	499	49900.0	67600.0	8304.8	8.0	1.681E+03	0.7	9.7	8	
3	375	37500.0	105100.0	8305.8	12.0	2.158E+03	0.9	12.5	8	
4	250	25000.0	130100.0	8306.8	15.0	2.467E+03	1.0	14.3	10	

- 478 - Indicates value includes estimate of areas where secondary piping acts as tertiary piping.  
- Relevant areas converted to equivalent tertiary piping length for ease of table calculations.

**Attachment H**

**Geotechnical Modeling Work Plan**

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This document is the Work Plan for geotechnical modeling of the NorthMet Project as requested by the Geotechnical Stability Impact Assessment Planning Summary Memo, NorthMet Project EIS, dated May 18, 2011. The findings from the geotechnical modeling will be incorporated into a 3-Volume Geotechnical Data Package – and summarized and referenced as needed. NorthMet Project Geotechnical Data Package Volumes 1 through 3 will consist of:

- Volume 1 – Flotation Tailings Basin
- Volume 2 – Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility
- Volume 3 – Stockpiles

### **Project:**

The project that will be evaluated is the project described in the Co-lead Agency Draft Alternative Summary as amended 03/04/11. This Work Plan will be reviewed and amended as necessary in response to project changes in the event such changes require substantive changes to previously analyzed facility designs.

### **Background:**

The NorthMet Project includes two material disposal facilities that include dams, consisting of the Flotation Tailings Basin for final deposition of flotation tailings, and the Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility for final deposition of the hydrometallurgical residue. The Flotation Tailings Basin and Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility are designed using an iterative process whereby facility capacity requirements and geotechnical requirements are utilized to determine the facility geometry and overall sizing requirements to contain the tailings and residue expected to be generated through the life of the project. A third type of material disposal facility, which does not require dams but does entail foundation and slope construction, is the waste rock stockpiles at the Mine Site (a.k.a. Stockpiles).

An important input parameter to the facility designs are the slope stability Factors of Safety. Applicable slope stability Factors of Safety are selected and then the facilities (Flotation Tailings Basin and Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility) are configured to achieve these Factors of Safety as computed by modeling performed during facility design. In the case of Stockpiles, MDNR-mandated design requirements have been developed that result in acceptable Factors of Safety.

The slope stability analysis methods that are used to compute slope stability Factors of Safety are not required universally. In other words, some types of analysis are appropriate to some facility configurations while not applicable to other configurations. For example, undrained strength stability analysis (USSA) for slope stability is appropriate for the upstream construction approach planned for the Flotation Tailings Basin. It is not necessary for the Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility which will utilize downstream construction with a liner system. Within this context the Geotechnical Modeling Work Plans for the Flotation Tailings Basin, Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility, and Stockpiles are outlined below.

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### **Flotation Tailings Basin Geotechnical Model for SDEIS, FEIS and Permitting:**

The objective of the Flotation Tailings Basin Geotechnical Modeling for the SDEIS, FEIS and Permitting is to demonstrate the ability of the Critical Cross-Section (i.e., Cross-Section F; that cross-section anticipated to yield the lowest slope stability Factors of Safety as indicated in the Preliminary Geotechnical Evaluation – March 2009) to comply with the required global slope stability Factors of Safety. The information content of the November 21, 2012 Geotechnical Data Package – Volume 1 – Version 3, Flotation Tailings Basin (which now supersedes and entirely replaces the Preliminary Geotechnical Evaluation – March 2009) will be updated and formatted to accommodate the Co-lead Agency Comments and to incorporate updated slope stability analysis for scenarios derived from the February 25 and 26, 2013 Geotechnical Workshop (February Workshop) with the Co-lead Agency geotechnical team.. This will be Geotechnical Data Package – Volume 1 – Version 4, Flotation Tailings Basin. The following is a step-by-step summary of the planned Flotation Tailings Basin geotechnical modeling process. Descriptions of previously completed process steps, outcomes of which are reported in Geotechnical Data Package – Volume 1 – Version 3, are preserved below to maintain Work Plan continuity. Work Plan updates derived specifically from the February Workshop are noted as such.

The following paragraphs describe the work that will be included in Geotechnical Data Package – Volume 1 – Version 4, Flotation Tailings Basin which is expected to provide information for the SDEIS.

1. Gather existing conditions data (i.e. basin topography, stratigraphy, soil and tailings strength and hydraulic characteristics), and other data as needed to support geotechnical modeling and Flotation Tailings Basin design. Note – this data has previously been compiled and presented in the Preliminary Geotechnical Evaluation – March 2009. This information will be incorporated into the Geotechnical Data Package – Volume 1, which will present the analyses outlined in this Work Plan. Results of in-laboratory testing of liquefied shear strength of NorthMet flotation tailings, completed subsequent the March 2009 evaluation, will be incorporated into the work prescribed in this Geotechnical Modeling Work Plan.
2. Develop Flotation Tailings Basin slope cross-sections (i.e., geometry and stratigraphy for existing and planned conditions) for the Flotation Tailings Basin for seepage and stability modeling. Models will utilize surveyed cross-sections of the existing basin and proposed cross-sections of future dam raises; existing models will be reconfigured as needed to accommodate the modeling approach outlined in this Work Plan. This information will then be incorporated into the Geotechnical Data Package – Volume 1.
3. Develop seepage and stability models of the Flotation Tailings Basin using Geo-Slope International, Inc. modeling software (i.e., SLOPE/W, SEEP/W, SIGMA/W and QUAKE/W; or other appropriate geomechanical models) as necessary.
4. Using geotechnical data from Step 1, establish design data for use in Effective Stress Stability Analysis and Undrained Strength Stability Analysis. Also utilize established criteria (Olson and Stark – 2003 “Yield Strength Ratio and Liquefaction Analysis of

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Slopes and Embankments” as updated by Olson 2009) to determine which materials behave in a contractive manner and could transition from non-liquefied strengths to liquefied (steady state) strengths.

Produce graphical representations of each strength data set and basis for selection of design parameters. Plots should include the number of data used to develop each plot.

5. Utilize design data to design slopes to achieve the following:
  - a. Effective Stress Stability Analysis (ESSA) – Factor of Safety  $\geq 1.5$  for conditions using drained (i.e., effective-stress based) shear strength parameters. Analyze the following effective stress stability scenarios:
    - i. Existing conditions.
    - ii. Normal operating condition at incremental lift heights up to maximum dam height for normal pool elevation with steady-state seepage conditions and including reduced infiltration rates for bentonite amended exterior face of new dams.
    - iii. Long-term closure conditions (at 2,000 years) using design drained shear strengths with aging factors included (for decomposition and secondary compression).
  - b. Undrained Strength Stability Analysis (USSA) – Factor of Safety  $\geq 1.3$  for conditions using undrained yield shear strengths for materials that are expected to behave in an undrained manner (i.e., end of construction case per dam raise). Analyze the following undrained strength stability scenarios:
    - i. Normal operating condition at incremental lift heights up to maximum dam height for normal pool elevation and including reduced infiltration rates for bentonite amended exterior face of new dams.
    - ii. Veneer stability to evaluate the stability of the bentonite amended exterior face of new dams. Veneer stability will be evaluated by computing the infinite slope Factor of Safety (using the no-seepage formulation where tailings seepage is not emerging on the slope, and the parallel-seepage formulation where tailings seepage is emerging on the slope), with the soil friction angle chosen as a conservative value based on literature review. Laboratory direct shear testing will be performed to measure a friction angle for site-specific bentonite amended tailings and the Factor of Safety will then be recomputed. Slope design will be adjusted as needed to achieve Factor of a Safety  $\geq 1.3$  for veneer stability.
  - c. Liquefaction Triggering and Post-Triggering Analysis – Factor of Safety  $\geq 1.1$  for post-triggering slope stability considering liquefied shear strengths (computed from design liquefied strength ratios) applied to segments of materials in the triggering stability analysis with  $FS_{\text{triggering}} < 1.1$ ; design drained strengths applied to materials above the capillary zone; and yield shear strength (computed from

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design yield strength ratios) for all other materials. From the February 2013 workshop, analyze the following credible triggering scenarios:

i. Baseline – Lift 8

- Realistic phreatic surface from seepage analysis including capillarity.
- Normal pool steady-state seepage.
- Capillarity – 10' above computed steady-state phreatic line.
- Liquefied shear strengths applied below top of capillary zone to materials triggered to liquefy (i.e., design liquefied shear strength utilized for flotation tailings and LTVSMC fine tailings/slimes in materials that are triggered to liquefy).

ii. Elevated Phreatic Surface (i.e., drain ineffective) – Lift 8

- Permeability of plugged drain set to permeability of flotation tailings.
- Normal pool steady-state seepage.
- Capillarity – 10' above computed steady-state phreatic line.
- Liquefied shear strengths applied below top of capillary zone to materials triggered to liquefy (i.e., design liquefied shear strength utilized for flotation tailings and LTVSMC fine tailings/slimes in materials that are triggered to liquefy).
- Consideration of baseline effective vertical stresses (prior to rise in phreatic surface).

iii. High Construction Rate of Loading – Lift 1

- 15' of construction fill placed rapidly.
- Baseline phreatic surface including capillarity.
- Normal pool steady-state seepage.
- Capillarity – 10' above computed steady-state phreatic line.
- Liquefied shear strengths applied below top of capillary zone to materials triggered to liquefy (design liquefied shear strength utilized for flotation tailings and LTVSMC fine tailings/slimes in materials that are triggered to liquefy).
- Consideration of baseline effective vertical stresses (prior to new fill placement).

iv. Local Erosion/Scour of Slope (pipe break) – Lift 8

- Incrementally remove material above buttress (retrogressive).
- Baseline phreatic surface including capillarity.
- Normal pool steady-state seepage.
- Capillarity – 10' above computed steady-state phreatic line.

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- Liquefied shear strengths applied below top of capillary zone to materials triggered to liquefy (design liquefied shear strength utilized for flotation tailings and LTVSMC fine tailings/slimes in materials that are triggered to liquefy).
  - Consideration of baseline effective vertical stresses (prior to erosion).
- v. Elevated Phreatic Surface (drain ineffective) w/High Pond – Lift 1
- Elevated Pond (drain ineffective).
  - Permeability of plugged drain set to permeability of flotation tailings.
  - Steady-state seepage with elevated pond set at overflow elevation.
  - Capillarity – 10' above computed steady state phreatic line.
  - Liquefied shear strengths applied below top of capillary zone to materials triggered to liquefy (design liquefied shear strength utilized for flotation tailings and LTVSMC fine tailings/slimes in materials that are triggered to liquefy).
  - Consideration of initial effective vertical stresses (prior to placement of 1<sup>st</sup> lift).
- vi. Long-Term Case (20, 200, and 2000 years after closure)
- Final geometry including surface erosion of material above buttress.
  - Impoundment phreatic surface drained down (as determined by analysis) reflecting bentonite cover.
  - Surcharge load from surficial pond.
  - Pond set at overflow elevation.
  - Design drained shear strengths with aging factors included (for decomposition and secondary compression), applied to materials above the top of the capillary zone.
  - Design liquefied shear strengths for flotation tailings and LTVSMC fine tailings/slimes) with aging factors included (for decomposition and secondary compression), applied to materials below the top of the capillary zone.
- d. Lift 8 Baseline Conditions assuming Unknown Triggering Mechanism – Factor of Safety  $\geq 1.1$  for post-triggering slope stability applying design liquefied shear strengths to all LTVSMC fine tailings and slimes and all Flotation Tailings below top of capillary zone.
- i. Lift 8
  - ii. Realistic phreatic surface from seepage analysis including capillarity.
  - iii. Normal pool steady-state seepage.
  - iv. Capillarity – 10' above computed steady-state phreatic line.

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- v. Design liquefied shear strengths applied below top of capillary zone to all LTVSMC fine tailings and slimes and all Flotation Tailings.
- e. Seismic Liquefaction (i.e., induced by seismic event).
    - i. Perform a screening analysis for triggering of liquefaction based on Boulanger and Idriss (2004). If the factor of safety against triggering is less than 1.2 for a seismic event with a 2475-year return period, perform further seismic triggering analyses as described below.
    - ii. Develop material damping coefficients for LTVSMC and NorthMet tailings.
    - iii. Use Geo-Slope software to compute initial stresses and steady-state pore-water pressure distribution.
    - iv. Apply earthquake loads via appropriate geomechanical models (such as QUAKE/W, FLAC, Plaxis, or others; earthquake loads to be obtained from probabilistic seismic hazard analysis [PSHA]) and compare results to a SLOPE/W yield undrained model (or other appropriate model) to identify the elements within the model that liquefy as a result of the seismic loading.
    - v. Use published triggering relationships and model results to determine segments along the slip surface where liquefaction will be triggered (Olson & Stark, 2003, Yield Strength Ratios and Liquefaction Analysis of Slopes and Embankments).
    - vi. Perform slope stability analysis in SLOPE/W or other appropriate geomechanical model (using liquefied shear strengths applied to elements shown to liquefy) to compute  $FS_{Flow}$  for the entire cross section.
      - If  $FS_{Flow} > 1.2$  no further action is needed.
      - If  $FS_{Flow} < 1.0$  modify or redesign cross section.
      - If  $FS_{Flow} > 1.0$  and  $< 1.2$ , perform deformation modeling in SIGMA/W or other suitable geomechanical model to predict the magnitude of deformation. If the level of deformation is acceptable to Dam Safety, no further action is needed. If the level of deformation is unacceptable to Dam Safety, modify or redesign cross section.

### 6. Reporting:

Volume 1 – Version 4 will present the background/supporting information and results of the Flotation Tailings Basin geotechnical analyses described in this Work Plan. It will contain the pertinent content previously presented in the Preliminary Geotechnical Evaluation – March 2009 and Geotechnical Data Packages – Volume 1 – Versions 1 through 3. However, analysis methods and results will supersede contents of the previously published Geotechnical Evaluation and Data Packages. Included in Volume 1 – Version 4 (and/or the Flotation Tailings Management Plan) will be descriptions and drawings depicting existing conditions and what will be built, results of geotechnical analyses for operating and post-closure conditions, and presentation of all model input parameters and model outputs. Where model input parameters are derived from multiple data points, the approach utilized for input parameter selection will be described. Included will be a description of how stability is anticipated to vary over time following

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Flotation Tailings Basin closure. Include design and operating requirements necessary to maintain required slope stability Factors of Safety for the critical slope cross-section (assumed to be Cross-Section F for SDEIS modeling). This detail shall be included in Volume 1 – Version 4 and/or the Flotation Tailings Management Plan.

The following paragraphs describe the work that will be included in a future Geotechnical Data Package – Volume 1 – Version 5, Flotation Tailings Basin, which is expected to provide information for the FEIS and Dam Safety permitting.

1. After MDNR publication of the SDEIS and prior to Final EIS (FEIS) publication and Permitting, execute a supplement to this Work Plan to include:
  - a. For normal operation conditions with maximum lift height perform a sensitivity analysis using the USSA slope stability model with yield undrained shear strength values. The Flotation Tailings Basin designer's engineering judgment shall be used to establish a range for these data inputs and the basis for the range shall be described. Evaluate the impact of data variability on computed slope stability Factors of Safety for the purpose of focusing operational-phase data gathering on the most critical stability model data inputs.
  - b. Prepare and execute a second Sensitivity Analysis the intent of which is to evaluate the variation in Factor of Safety (and the probability of  $FS < 1.0$ ) for an unknown triggering case, using the ESSA and yield USSR strengths utilized for the current Work Plan, but with  $USSR_{(Liq)}$  varied within the range identified during liquefied strength design parameter evaluation.
2. Following MDNR Dam Safety review and approval of Critical Cross-Section modeling process/procedures and outcomes, proceed with modeling cross-sections G (north side of Cell 2E) and N (south side of Cell 1E) for final Flotation Tailings Basin design (for input to FEIS or Permitting as determined by MDNR).

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### **Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility Geotechnical Models for SDEIS, FEIS and Permitting:**

The objective of the Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility Geotechnical Modeling for the SDEIS, FEIS and Permitting is to:

- demonstrate the ability of the most sensitive slope cross-section to comply with the required slope stability Factors of Safety for global stability,
- demonstrate the ability of the composite liner system to comply with infinite slope stability Factor of Safety requirements, and to
- demonstrate the capability of the composite liner system to withstand the strain anticipated due to differential settlement that may occur in the facility foundation materials.

The following is a step-by-step summary of the planned Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility geotechnical modeling process.

1. Gather existing conditions data (i.e. facility foundation material stratigraphy and strength data, hydrogeologic data and other data as needed to support geotechnical modeling of the Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility). Note – portions of this data have previously been compiled and presented in the Preliminary Geotechnical Evaluation – March 2009. This information will be incorporated into the Geotechnical Data Package Volume 2 and will be supplemented with additional facility location-specific data. Data on existing baseline water sources at the site, including surface discharges from the surrounding highlands, will be gathered for consideration during hydrometallurgical residue facility design. The facility will be designed to accommodate any such surface discharges and hence these discharges will not impact geotechnical modeling of the hydrometallurgical residue facility.
2. Gather additional residue strength and hydraulic conductivity data and/or representative published data for use in facility design. This information will be incorporated into the Geotechnical Data Package Volume 2 to the extent needed to facilitate the modeling outlined herein.
3. Develop residue facility layout and slope cross-sections (i.e., geometry and stratigraphy for existing and planned conditions) for proposed residue facility stability and deformation modeling. Note – seepage through the residue facility embankments will be inhibited by the composite liner system and seepage modeling will be an unnecessary component of this analysis.
4. Develop global and infinite slope stability models and deformation models of the facility using Geo-Slope International, Inc. modeling software (i.e., SLOPE/W, SEEP/W and SIGMA/W as necessary). Model the following:
  - a. Deformation of hydromet residue facility foundation and liner system.

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- b. Infinite slope stability of hydromet residue facility liner system (if necessary/applicable).
- c. Global stability of hydromet residue facility embankments.

Model maximum residue facility dam height with minimum and maximum pond elevation, and post closure – cover effective with minimum pond elevation. Model for effective shear stress conditions. Modeling for undrained shear strength conditions will not be necessary due to lined facility design with imported and mechanically placed dam fill and lack of seepage through the dam.

5. Configure geotechnical data for model input. Model input parameters will be based on data collected for and presented in the Preliminary Geotechnical Evaluation – March 2009. For materials to be imported for construction, engineering judgment will be used to select conservative shear strength parameters for input to the slope stability analysis and liner deformation analysis.
6. Use SLOPE/W to calculate the Factor of Safety for the following conditions:
  - a. Effective Stress Stability Analysis (ESSA) – Factor of Safety  $\geq 1.5$
  - b. Slope failures on external face and internal face of residue facility embankments.
7. Perform infinite slope stability analysis to confirm that load from residue deposition will be transferred to facility foundation soils and will not induce excess strain in facility liner materials.
8. Perform deformation modeling to predict magnitude of deformation and resulting strain in the facility liner system for comparison to allowable strain in liner system. Allowable strains are material-specific and will be determined from manufacturers specifications for the materials selected for the facility liner.
9. Report final basin design and operating requirements necessary to maintain required slope stability Factor of Safety and deformation requirements.
10. Reporting – the Geotechnical Data Package Volume 2 will present the background/supporting information and results of the Hydrometallurgical Residue Facility geotechnical analyses described in this Work Plan. Included will be descriptions and drawings depicting existing conditions and what will be built, results of geotechnical analyses for operating and post-closure conditions, and presentation of all model input parameters and model outputs. Where model input parameters are derived from multiple data points, the approach utilized for input parameter selection will be described. Included will be a description of how stability is anticipated to vary over time.

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### **Stockpile Geotechnical Models for SDEIS, FEIS and Permitting:**

The objective of the Stockpile Geotechnical Modeling for the SDEIS, FEIS and Permitting is to comply with Mn Rule 6132.2400 (stockpile slopes will be as required by 6132.2400 Subp. 2. B. and stockpile foundations will be as required by 6132.2400 Subp. 2. A. (1)). These are design requirements that have been established to insure acceptable slope stability Factors of Safety for global stability and acceptable foundation stability, the latter of which relates to the capability of the geomembrane liner system to withstand the strain anticipated due to differential settlement that may occur in the stockpile foundation materials.

The following is a step-by-step summary of the planned Stockpile geotechnical modeling process.

1. Gather existing conditions data (i.e. facility foundation material stratigraphy and strength data and other data as needed to support foundation design). Existing site information will be utilized for analysis performed in support of the SDEIS and FEIS, with additional data gathered and designs updated as needed for final design in conjunction with permitting. Existing information will be incorporated into the Geotechnical Data Package Volume 3.
2. Configure stockpile slopes to meet or exceed minimum dimensional requirements established by Mn Rule 6132.2400.
3. Perform stockpile subgrade settlement analysis to predict magnitude of deformation and resulting strain in the stockpile liners for comparison to allowable strain in the liner system. Allowable strains are material-specific and will be determined from manufacturers specifications for the materials selected for the stockpile liners.
4. Report final stockpile design and operating requirements necessary to maintain required slope stability Factors of Safety and liner performance requirements.
5. Reporting – the Geotechnical Data Package Volume 3 will present the background/supporting information and results of the Stockpile geotechnical analyses described in this Work Plan. Included will be descriptions and drawings depicting existing conditions and what will be built, results of geotechnical analyses for operating and post-closure conditions, and presentation of all model input parameters and model outputs. Where model input parameters are derived from multiple data points, the approach utilized for input parameter selection will be described. Included will be a description of how stability is anticipated to vary over time.

**Attachment I**

**Stockpile Stability Evaluation**

# WASTE ROCK STOCKPILES STABILITY ANALYSIS

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This document summarizes the approach and results of preliminary stability analyses for the proposed waste rock stockpiles at the PolyMet NorthMet Site located near Babbitt, Minnesota. Due to limited information on subsurface conditions, especially in lowland areas, the analyses presented herein are expected to be updated based on the results of Phase II Geotechnical Investigation.

## 2.0 OBJECTIVE

Perform slope stability analyses for waste rock stockpiles considering both static and pseudo-static (earthquake loading) conditions. Calculate factors of safety (FS) for operational and reclaimed/closure conditions.

Stability analyses were conducted for: (1) reactive stockpiles and (2) non-reactive, i.e., Category 1, stockpile. Reactive stockpiles include Category 2/3 stockpile, Category 4 stockpile, and Ore Surge Pile. The liner system for reactive stockpiles consists of LLDPE geomembrane overlying soil liner or prepared subgrade. Category 1 stockpile is designed without the liner system. Category 1 stockpile will be reclaimed while the reactive stockpile materials will be used to backfill pits prior to closure. Consequently, slope stability analyses for closure configurations were performed only for Category 1 stockpile.

## 3.0 STABILITY MODEL INPUTS

### 3.1 Design Sections

The following critical design sections were analyzed:

#### 3.1.1 Reactive Stockpiles

- Design section R-1: Waste rock stockpile, operational configuration, one lift placed in two stages
  - Waste rock height of 40 feet realized in two stages
  - Interbench slopes at 1.4(H):1(V)
  - Height of the initial fill over liner (stage 1): 15 feet
  - Height of the remaining fill (stage 2): 25 feet
  - Assume 10-foot-wide bench between initial 15-foot-thick first lift (stage 1) and the remainder of the first lift extending to 40 feet
- Design section R-2: Waste rock stockpile, operational configuration, ultimate height
  - Waste rock height of 160 feet (a maximum height for reactive stockpiles at ultimate buildout)
  - Interbench slopes at 1.4(H):1(V)

### 3.1.2 Category 1 Stockpiles

- Design section C1-1: Waste rock stockpile, operational configuration, one lift
  - Waste rock height of 40 feet
  - Interbench slopes at 1.4(H):1(V)
- Design section C1-2: Waste rock stockpile, operational configuration, ultimate height
  - Waste rock height of 160 feet
  - Interbench slopes at 1.4(H):1(V)
- Design section C1-3: Waste rock stockpile, reclaimed configuration, ultimate height
  - Waste rock height of 160 feet
  - Interbench regarded to 2.5(H):1(V)
- Design section C1-4: Waste rock stockpile, reclaimed configuration, ultimate height
  - Waste rock height of 200 feet
  - Interbench regarded to 3(H):1(V)
- Design section C1-5: Waste rock stockpile, reclaimed configuration, ultimate height
  - Waste rock height of 240 feet
  - Interbench slopes regarded to 3.75(H):1(V)

The design section geometries are provided in Figures 1 through 7.

### 3.2 Given

- Pre-construction topography, current topography, and proposed configuration of the waste rock stockpiles
- Geotechnical site and laboratory exploration results
- Peak ground acceleration at the site is 0.05g

### 3.3 Material Properties

The parameters presented in Table 1 were used in the slope stability analysis.

**Table 1 Material Strength Parameters**

Material	Total Unit Weight (pcf)	Effective Friction Angle (degrees)	Effective Cohesion (psf)
Waste Rock	126.0	35.5	0.1
Construction Fill	130.6	34.6	0.1
Smooth LLDPE/Soil Liner Interface <sup>1</sup>	57.4	19.0	0.0
Existing Subgrade (Peat)	80.0	17.0	0.0
Bedrock	170.0	55.0	200.0

Notes:

1. Estimated from Golder Database (2012).

### 3.4 Method

Use Spencer's method (Spencer, 1967) implemented in RocScience's two-dimensional limited equilibrium slope stability analysis program SLIDE 6.017 (2012). Minimum FS was determined using the program's search algorithm for both circular and non-circular (block) failure surfaces. Pseudo-static design was conducted by using a horizontal seismic factor of 0.025g, which corresponds to half of the peak ground acceleration of 0.05g (Hynes-Griffin and Franklin, 1984). Conceptual geometries for one lift and the ultimate heights were investigated to establish the most sensitive mechanism of failure for the waste rock stockpile slopes.

### 3.5 Assumptions

#### 3.5.1 Geometry

- Nominal lift height is 40 feet
- Closure bench width is a minimum of 30 feet, measured from the crest of the lower lift to the toe of the next lift
- Temporary operational slopes are 1.4(H):1(V)
- Reclamation slope design options include 2.5(H):1(V), 3(H):1(V), and 3.75(H):1(V)
- The critical (maximum) subgrade and liner slopes are 0.5%
- The phreatic surface is located 2 feet over the liner/subgrade surface, i.e., bottom 2 feet of the waste rock are saturated per design criteria
- Reactive stockpiles
  - Liner system is a minimum of 1 foot of soil liner overlain by LLDPE geomembrane
  - Stockpiles will be used for pit backfill, i.e., no closure configurations are considered
- Category 1 stockpile
  - The unsuitable soils within first 100 feet from the toe of the Category 1 stockpile will be excavated and replaced with structural fill
  - Stockpiles will be re-graded to reclamation slopes of either 2.5(H):1(V), 3(H):1(V), or 3.75(H):1(V)

#### 3.5.2 Failure Surfaces

- For operational conditions, only surfaces resulting in significant failure were considered. Consequently, a minimum thickness of failure zone of 30 feet was enforced in the analyses
- For closure conditions, a minimum depth of failure surface of 15 feet was enforced

#### 3.5.3 Minimum Acceptable Factors of Safety

- Minimum acceptable FS for static condition at closure is 1.5
- Minimum long-term (effective stress) operational static FS for deep seated failures (waste rock thickness in excess of 30 feet): 1.3
- Minimum acceptable FS for pseudo-static conditions at closure is 1.1
- Minimum acceptable FS for temporary operational slopes under static conditions is 1.1

- Minimum acceptable FS for temporary operational slopes under upset and pseudo-static conditions is 1.0

## 4.0 CALCULATIONS

### 4.1 Slope Stability Analyses

Input and output files for the SLIDE seepage and slope stability analyses for each design section and loading condition are presented in Attachment 1.

### 4.2 Infinite Slope Analysis for Geomembrane Cover (Category 1 Stockpile)

Stability analyses for closure configurations were conducted assuming that 60-mil HDPE geomembrane will be placed over the Category 1 stockpile after re-grading is completed. The waste rock is expected to be moisture conditioned, rolled, and compacted prior to geomembrane placement. Alternatively, a soil liner or selected subgrade soil layer may be placed prior to LLDPE installation to ensure good contact and prevent puncture of the geomembrane.

Based on the Golder Database (2012) on liner interfaces, the residual interface friction angle between a 60-mil HDPE geomembrane and soil layer at low confining stresses of 29 degrees was adopted. Cohesion along the interface is assumed to be zero.

Assuming a one-dimensional failure, the FS can be calculated as follows:

$$FS = \tan \phi' / \tan \beta \quad (1)$$

Where FS = factor of safety,  $\phi'$  = effective geomembrane-soil interface friction angle, and  $\beta$  = slope angle.

The evaluated reclamation slopes include 2.5(H):1(V), 3(H):1(V), or 3.75(H):1(V). The computed FSs are summarized in Table 2.

**Table 2 Factors of Safety for Closure Configurations**

Reclamation Slope	Slope Angle (Degrees)	Computed FS	FS Design Criteria
2.5(H):1(V) <sup>1</sup>	21.8	1.72	1.5
3(H):1(V) <sup>2</sup>	18.4	1.66	1.5
3.75(H):1(V) <sup>2</sup>	14.9	2.08	1.5

Notes:

1. Assume vegetative cover placement and the effective friction angle of 34.6 degrees.
2. Assume geomembrane cover placement and the interface friction angle of 29 degrees.

## 5.0 RESULTS

Results of the slope stability analyses are summarized in Table 3. Design section R-2 (the temporary operational 1.4(H):1(V) slopes for the reactive stockpiles) exhibits the lowest FSs.

**Table 3 Summary of Slope Stability Analyses, Conceptual Waste Rock Stockpile Geometries**

File Name	Design Section	Static or Seismic	Height (ft)	Failure Through	Surface Type	Computed FS	FS Design Criteria
R-1-c	R-1	Static	40	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, exit at toe	Circular	2.04	≥ 1.3
R-1-nc	R-1	Static	40	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, along the liner interface, exit at toe	Block	1.39	≥ 1.3
R-1-nc-s	R-1	Seismic	40	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, along the liner interface, exit at toe	Block	1.31	≥ 1.0
R-2-c	R-2	Static	160	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, exit at toe	Circular	1.55	≥ 1.3
R-2-nc	R-2	Static	160	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, along the liner interface, exit at toe	Block	1.39	≥ 1.3
R-2-nc-s	R-2	Seismic	160	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, along the liner interface, exit at toe	Block	1.30	≥ 1.0
C1-1-c	C1-1	Static	40	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, shallow subgrade, exit near toe	Circular	1.53	≥ 1.3
C1-1-nc	C1-1	Static	40	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, along the waste rock and subgrade interface, exit at toe	Block	1.56	≥ 1.3
C1-1-c-s	C1-1	Seismic	40	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, shallow subgrade, exit near toe	Circular	1.45	≥ 1.0
C1-2-c	C1-2	Static	160	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, through subgrade and structural fill, exit near toe	Circular	1.93	≥ 1.3
C1-2-nc	C1-2	Static	160	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, along the waste rock and subgrade interface, exit at toe	Block	2.09	≥ 1.3
C1-2-c-s	C1-2	Seismic	160	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, through subgrade and structural fill, exit near toe	Circular	1.78	≥ 1.0
C1-3-c	C1-3	Static	160	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, through subgrade and structural fill, exit near toe	Circular	1.86	≥ 1.5
C1-3-nc	C1-3	Static	160	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, along the waste rock and subgrade interface, exit at toe	Block	2.19	≥ 1.5
C1-3-c-s	C1-3	Seismic	160	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, through subgrade and structural fill, exit near toe	Circular	1.71	≥ 1.1
C1-4-c	C1-4	Static	200	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, through subgrade and structural fill, exit near toe	Circular	2.04	≥ 1.5
C1-5-c-s	C1-4	Seismic	200	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, through subgrade and structural fill, exit near toe	Circular	1.86	≥ 1.1
C1-5-c	C1-5	Static	240	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, through subgrade and structural fill, exit near toe	Circular	2.31	≥ 1.5
C1-5-c-s	C1-5	Seismic	240	Middle of the waste rock stockpile, through subgrade and structural fill, exit near toe	Circular	2.07	≥ 1.1

Because of the lack of site samples to conduct site specific laboratory testing to determine the smooth LLDPE/soil liner interface strength, a sensitivity analysis was performed to assess the variability in the calculated FS with changes in the interface friction angle for the reactive stockpiles. The results for the most critical temporary operational slope (section R-2) are shown in Table 4. The plot for the sensitivity analysis is included in Attachment 1.

**Table 4 Summary of Slope Stability Back Analyses for Different Factors of Safety**

Design Section	Material	Required Effective Friction Angle (degrees)	Computed FS	FS Design Criteria
R-2	Smooth LLDPE/Soil Liner Interface	22.6	1.5	≥1.3
R-2	Smooth LLDPE/Soil Liner Interface	19.2	1.4	≥1.3
R-2	Smooth LLDPE/Soil Liner Interface	15.7	1.3	≥1.3

## 6.0 CONCLUSIONS

All design sections meet the minimum FSs, assuming a LLDPE/soil liner interface friction angle of 19 degrees. The Design Section R-2, with the maximum height of failure surface of 120 feet, a slope face of 1.4(H):1(V), and a liner grade of 0.5%, represents the most critical condition. Note that the staged first lift placement is expected to result in an increased FS.

The results of the slope stability analysis for the critical design section indicate that a minimum LLDPE/soil liner interface friction angle of 15.7 degrees will be required to achieve an FS of 1.3 under static operation conditions based on a block failure mode.

In general, static conditions are more critical than seismic conditions due to the higher required FSs and relatively low design peak ground acceleration.

Closure calculations indicate that interbench slopes of 3H:1V or shallower are likely to be adequate for the 60-mil HDPE geomembrane placement.

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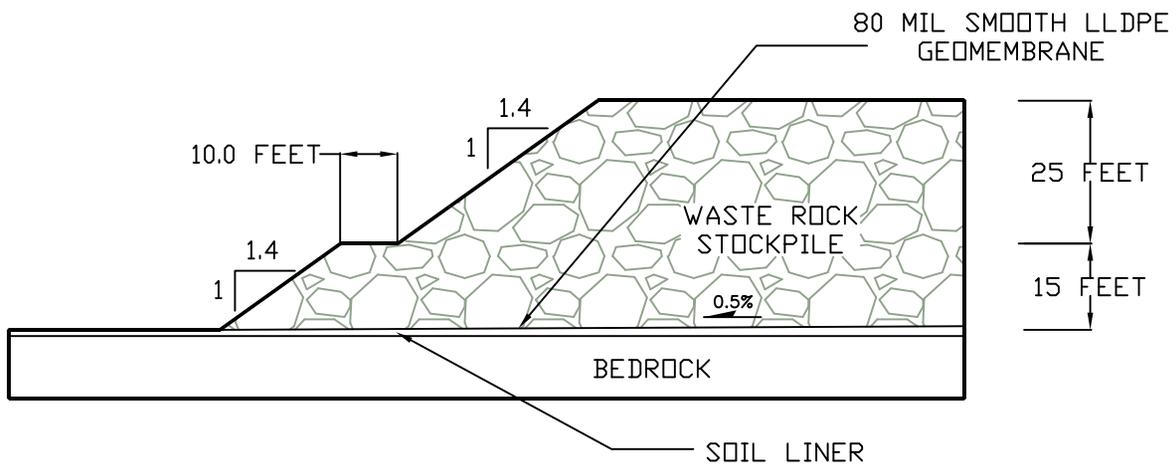
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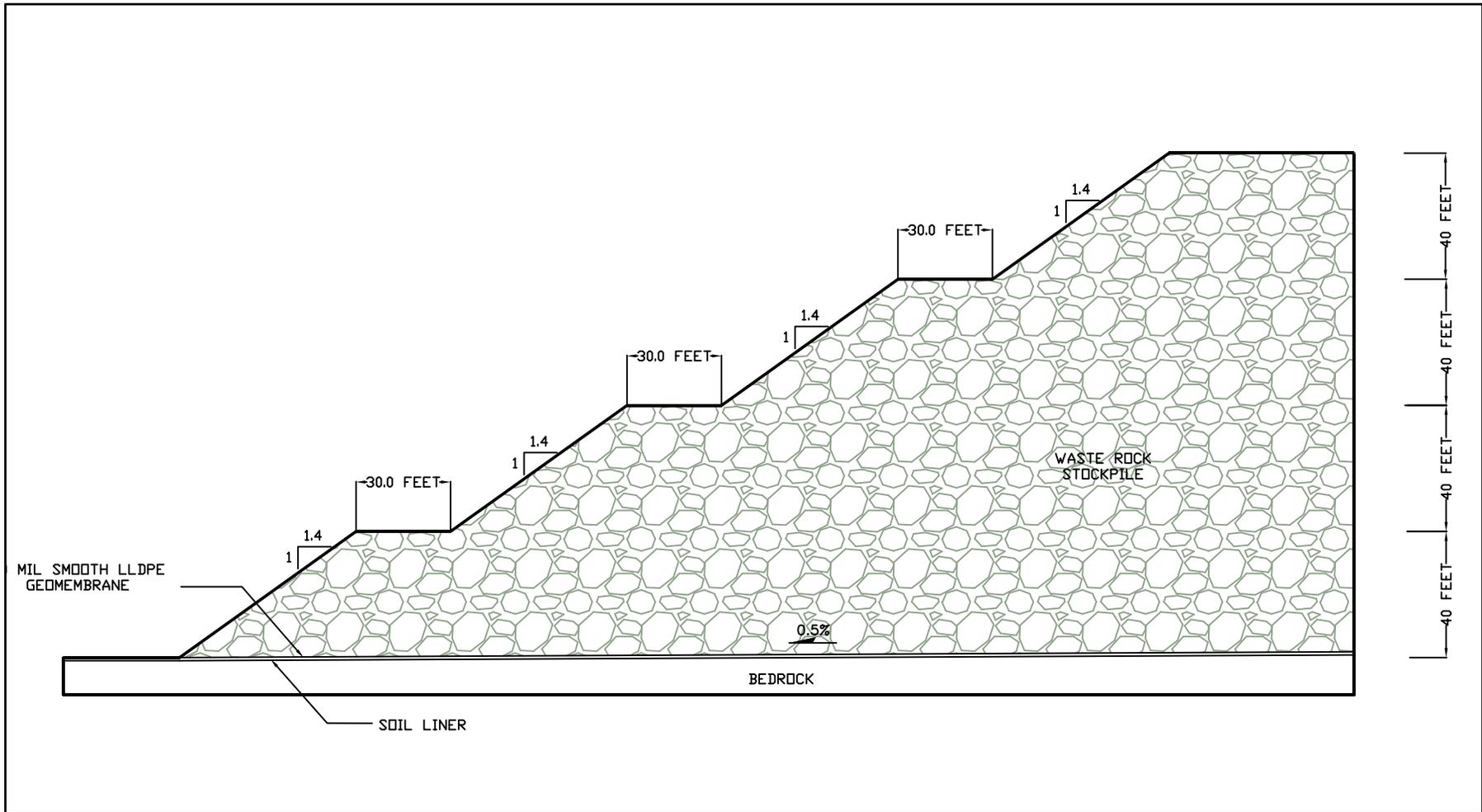
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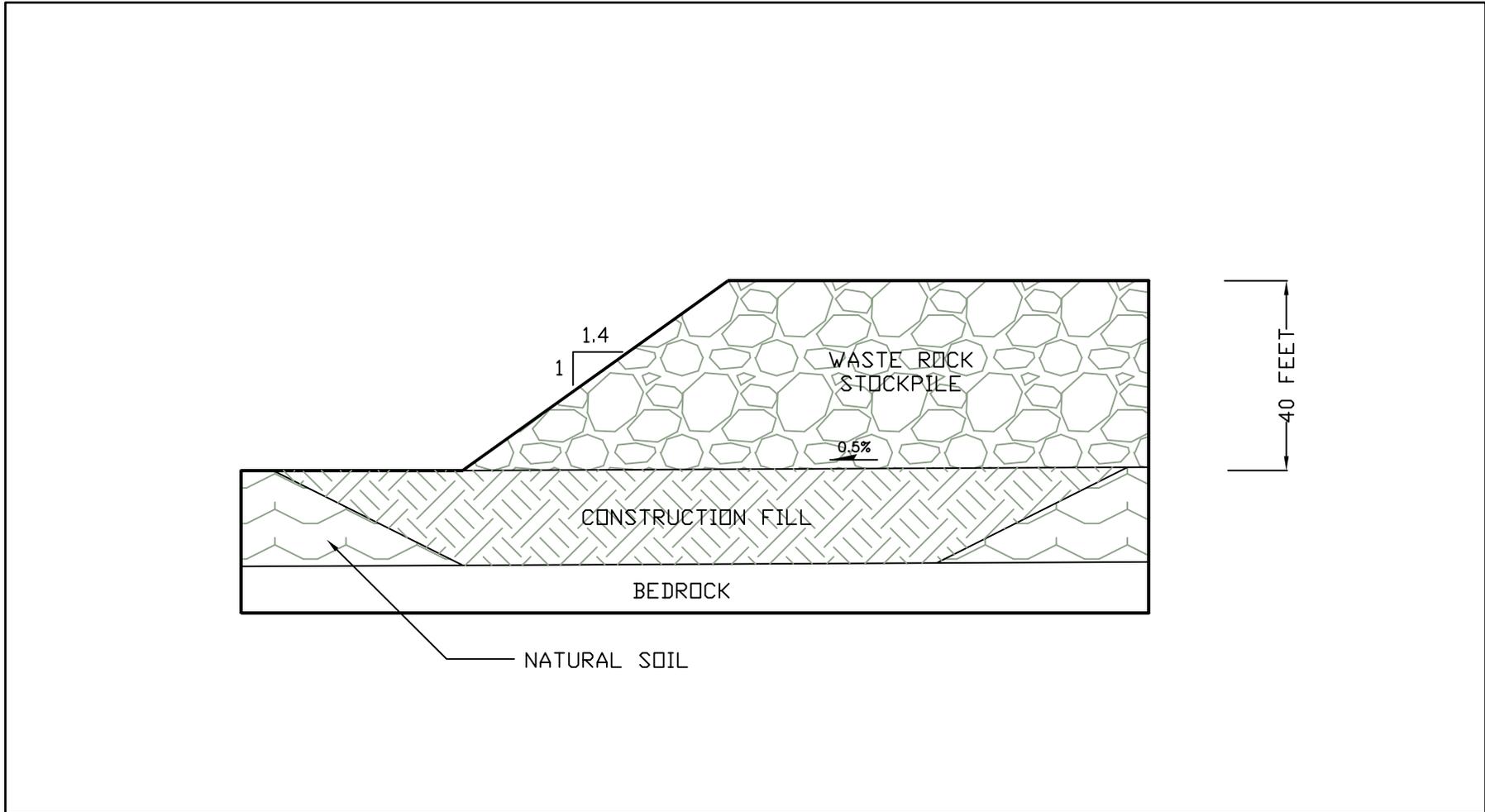
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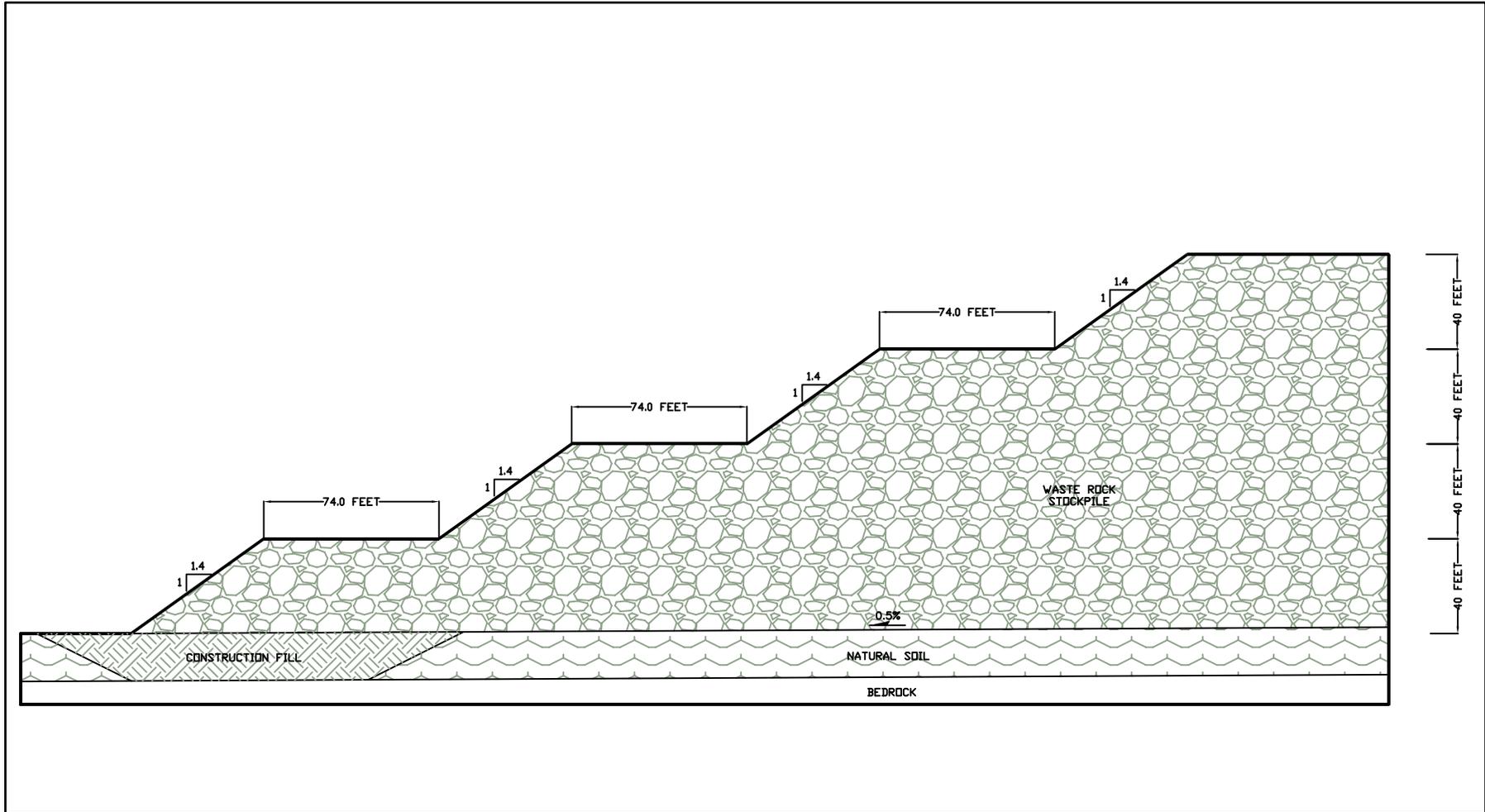
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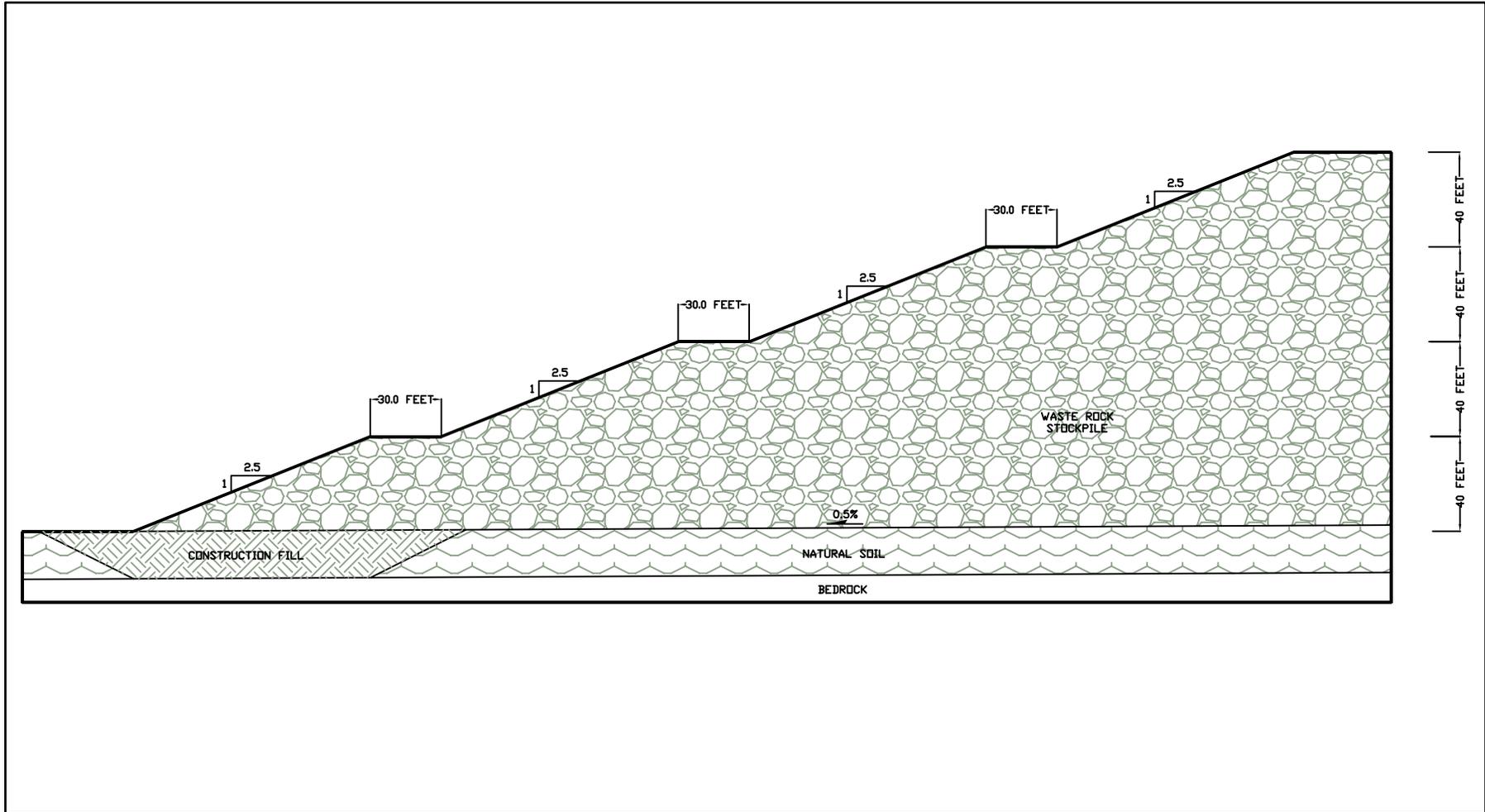
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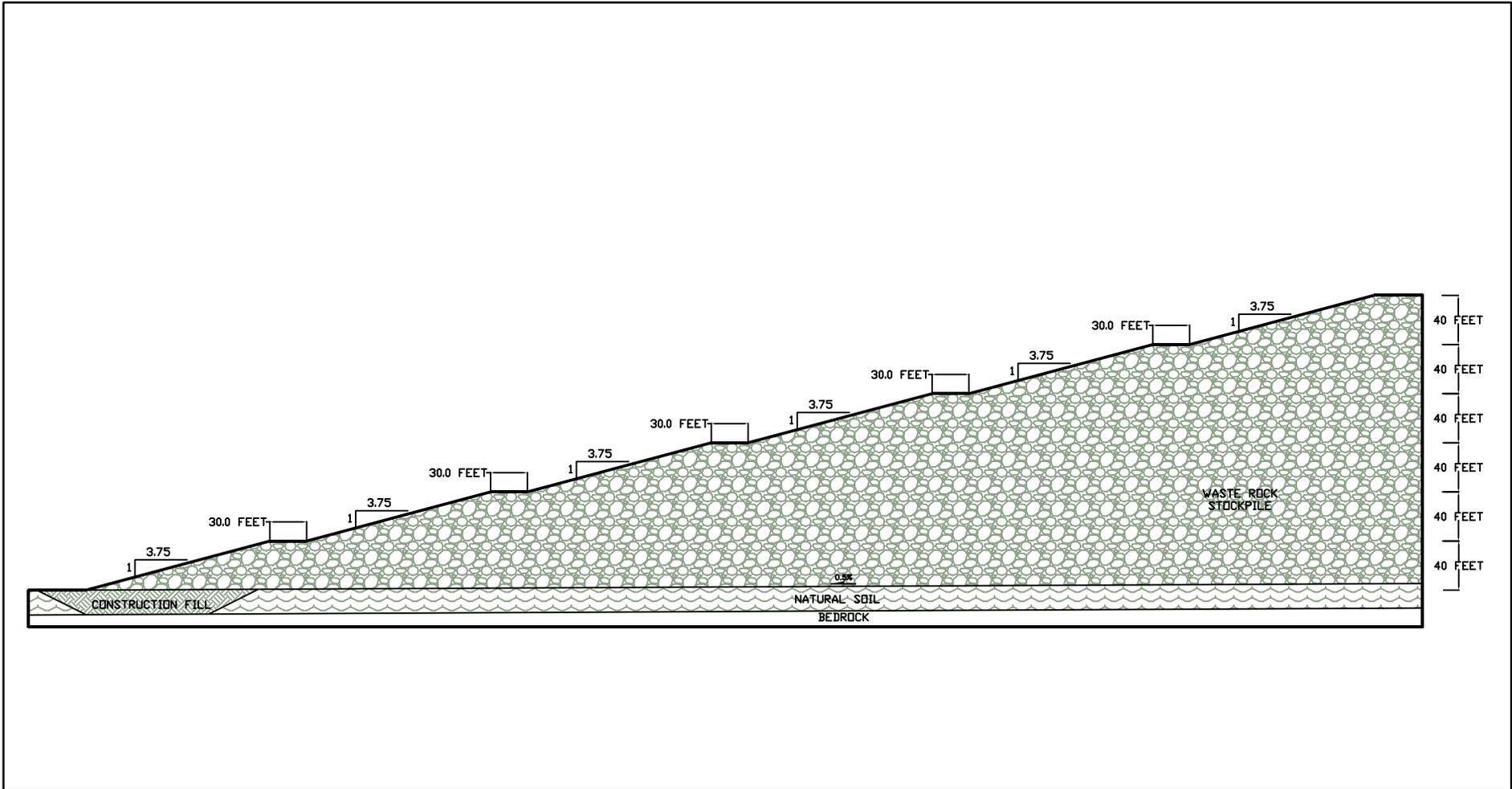
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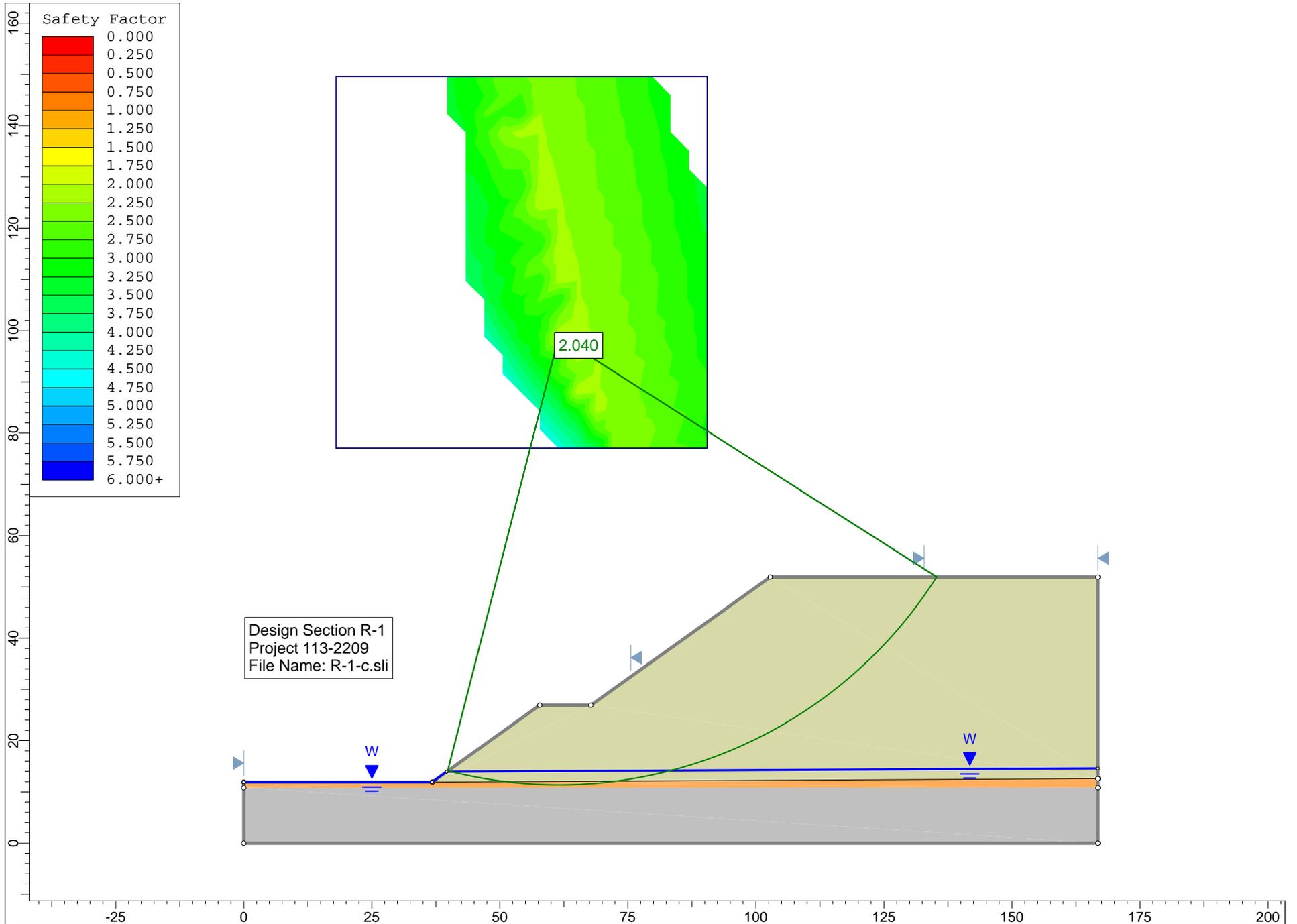
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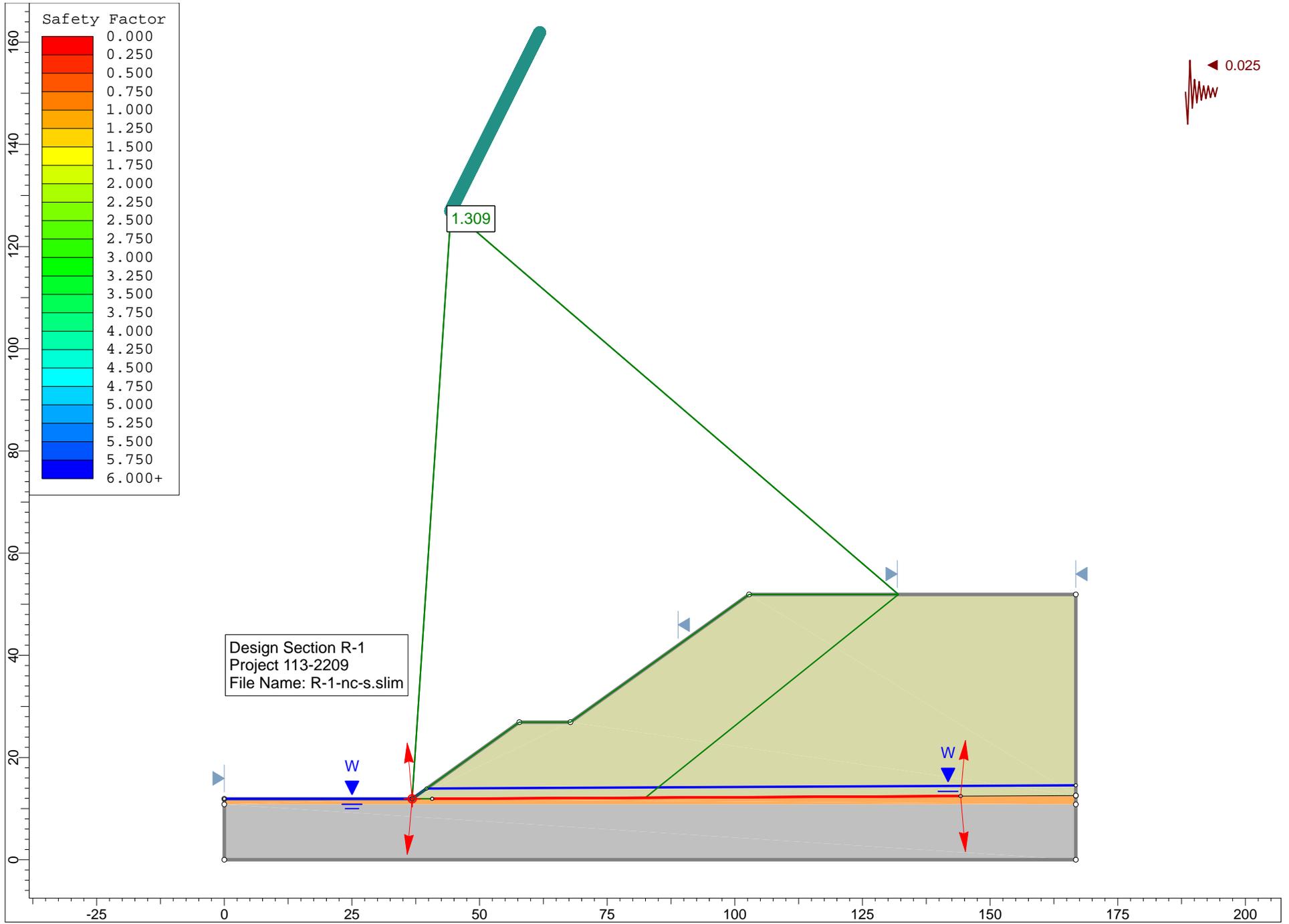
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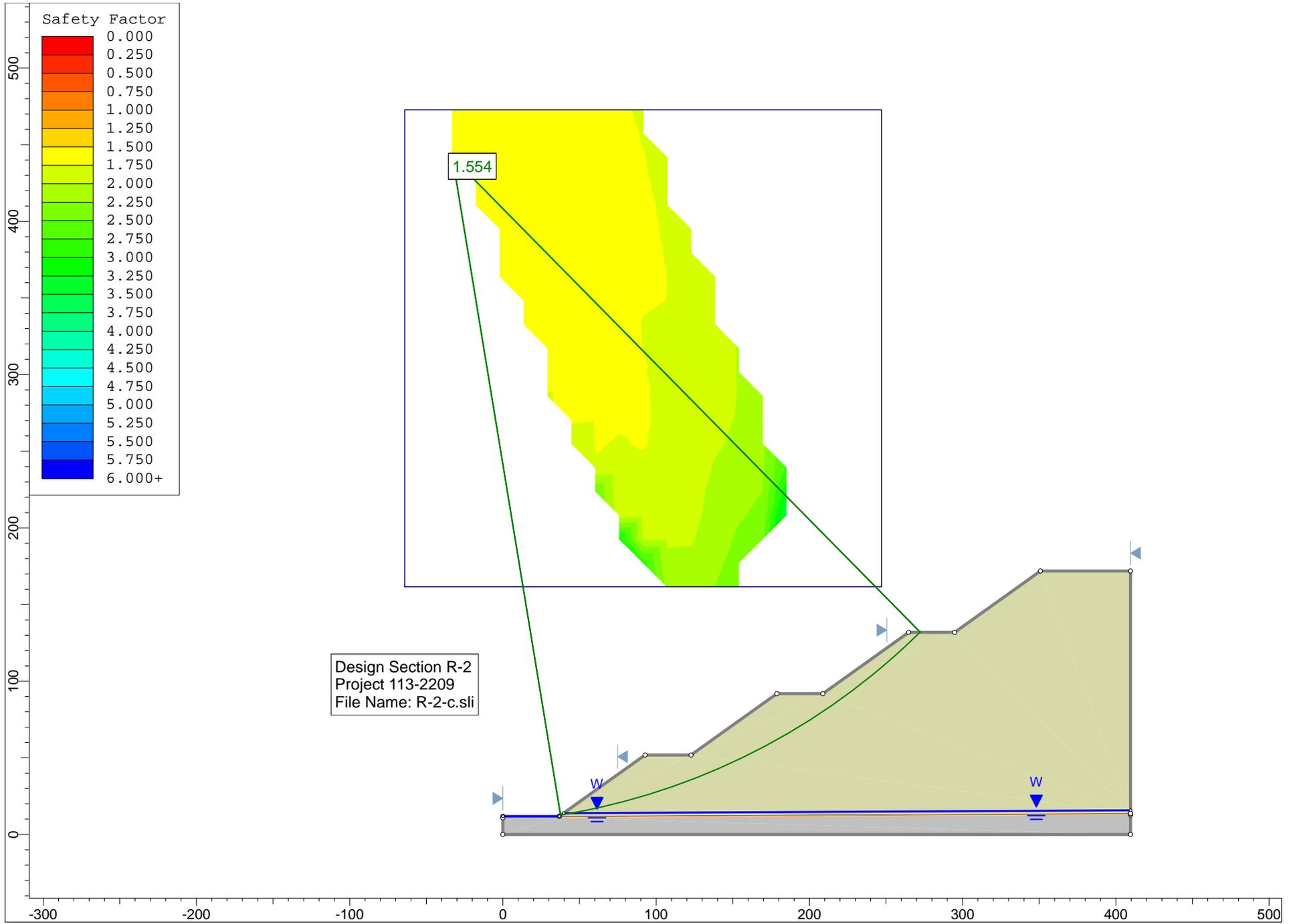
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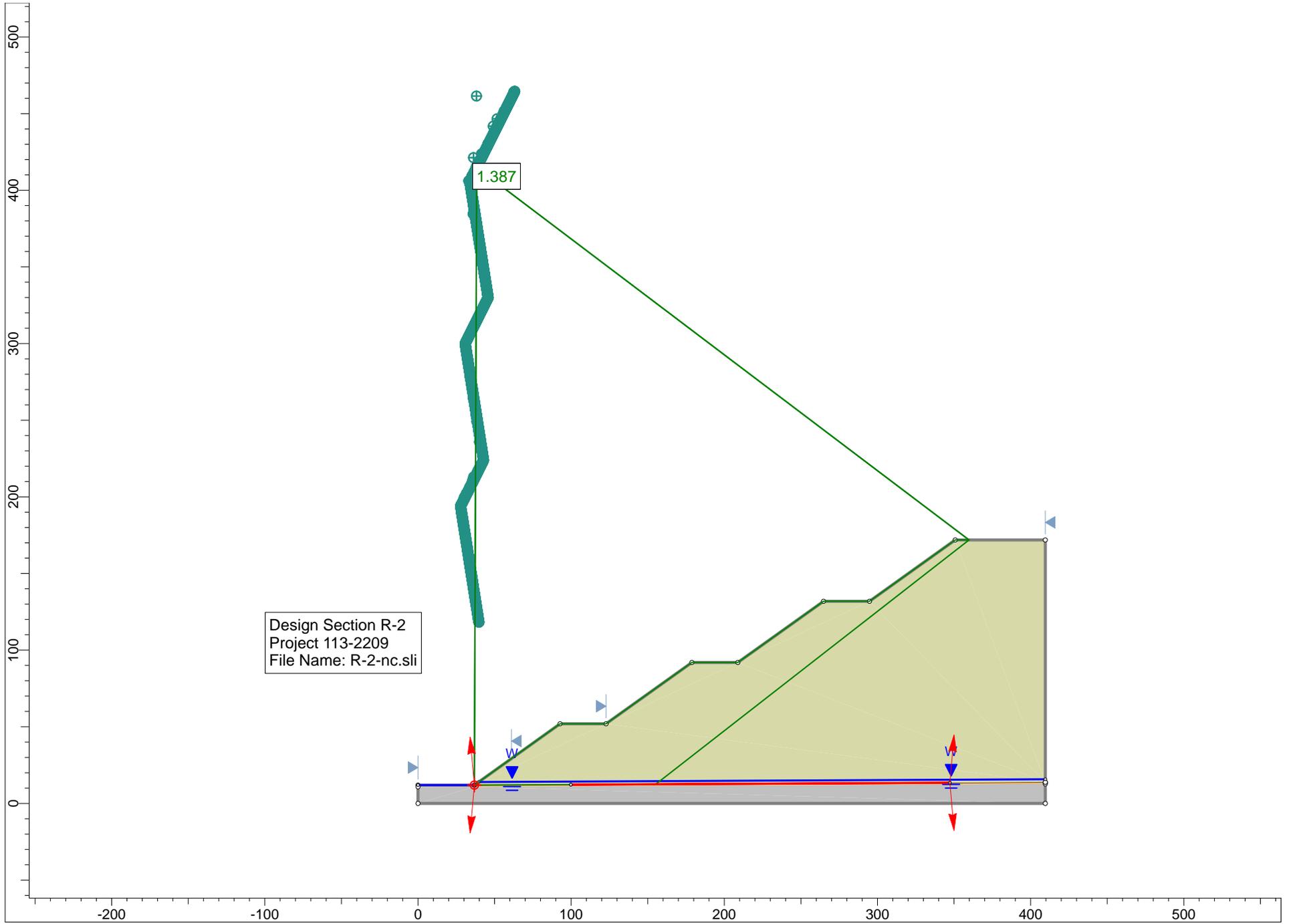
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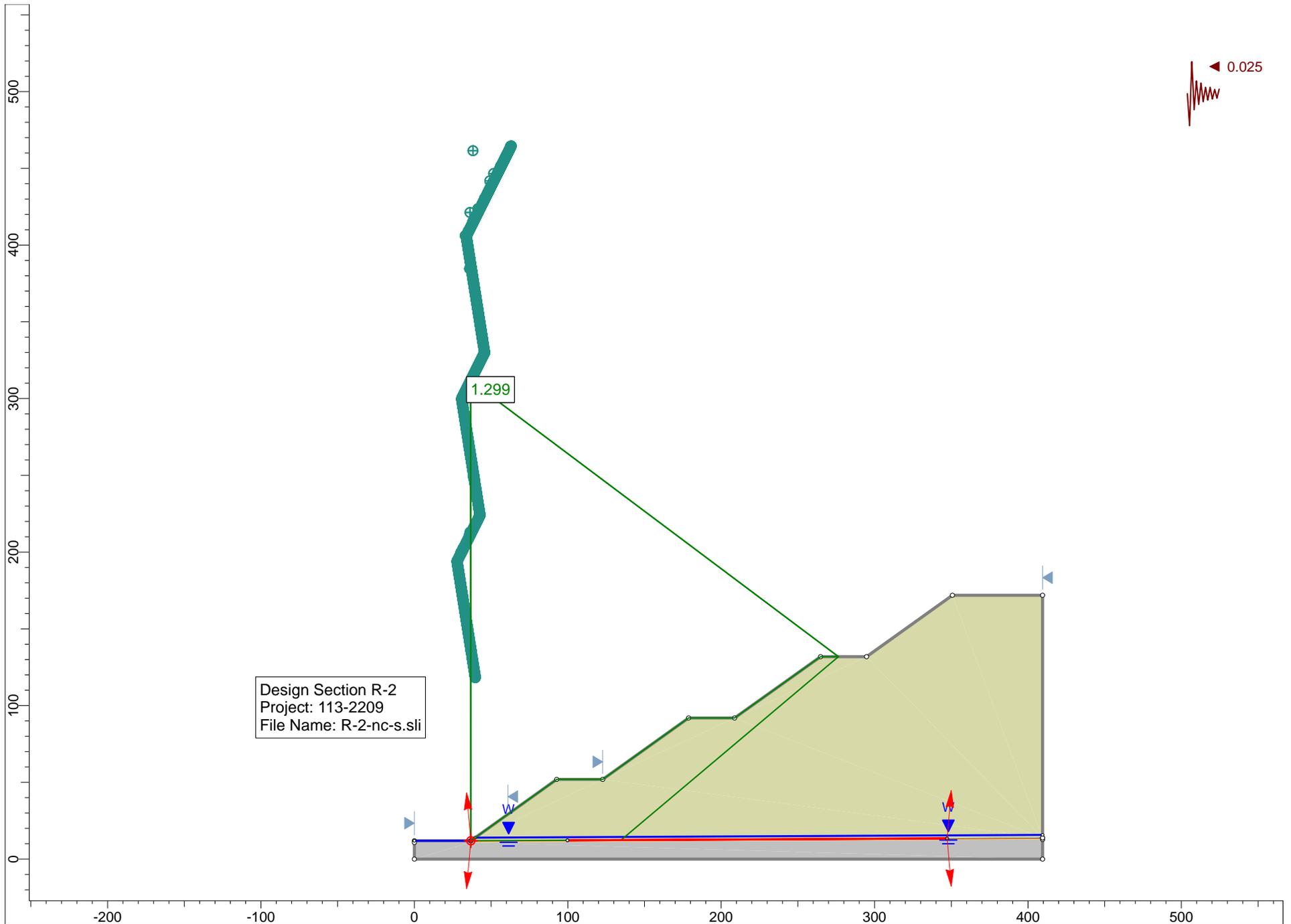




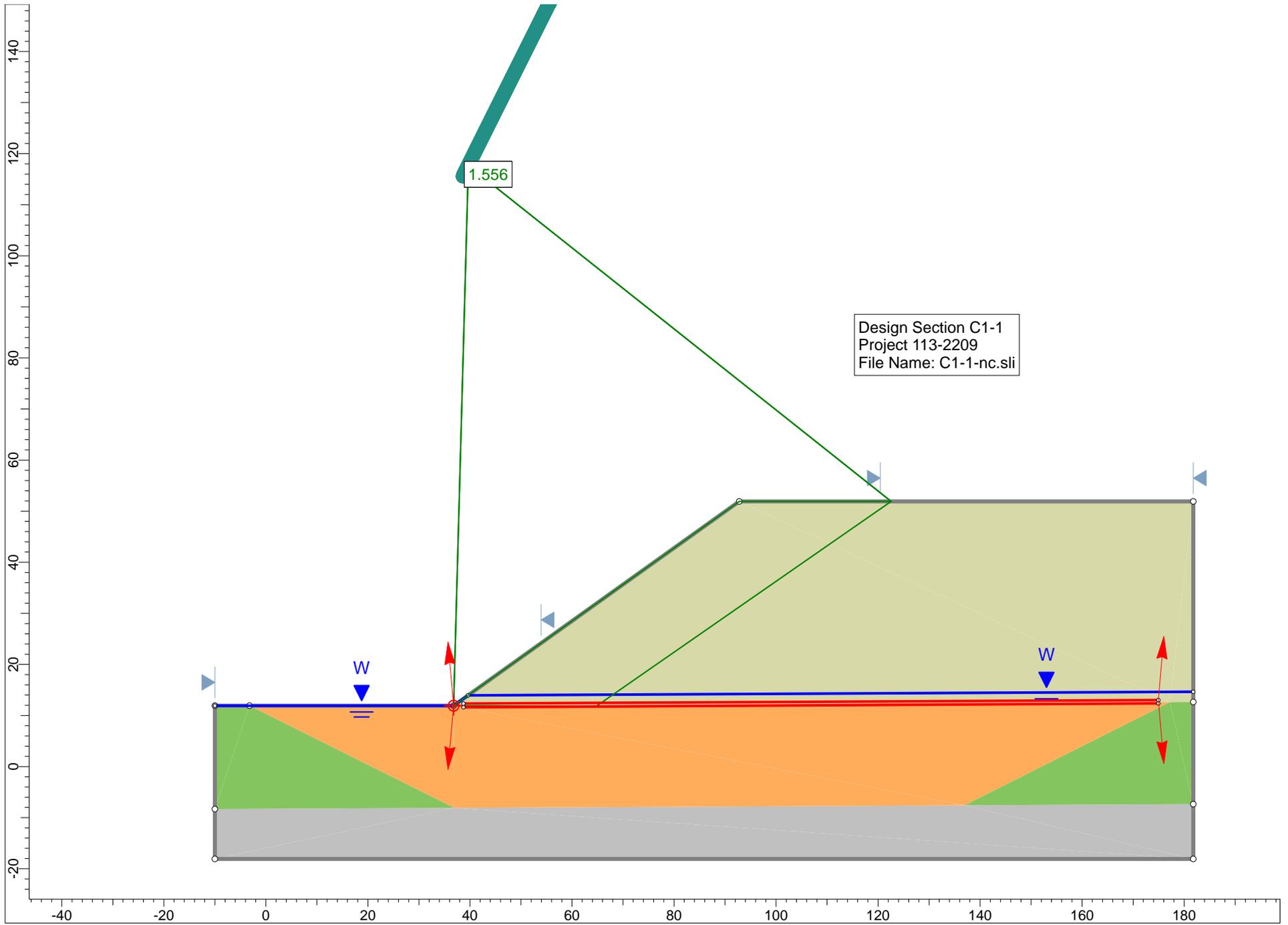


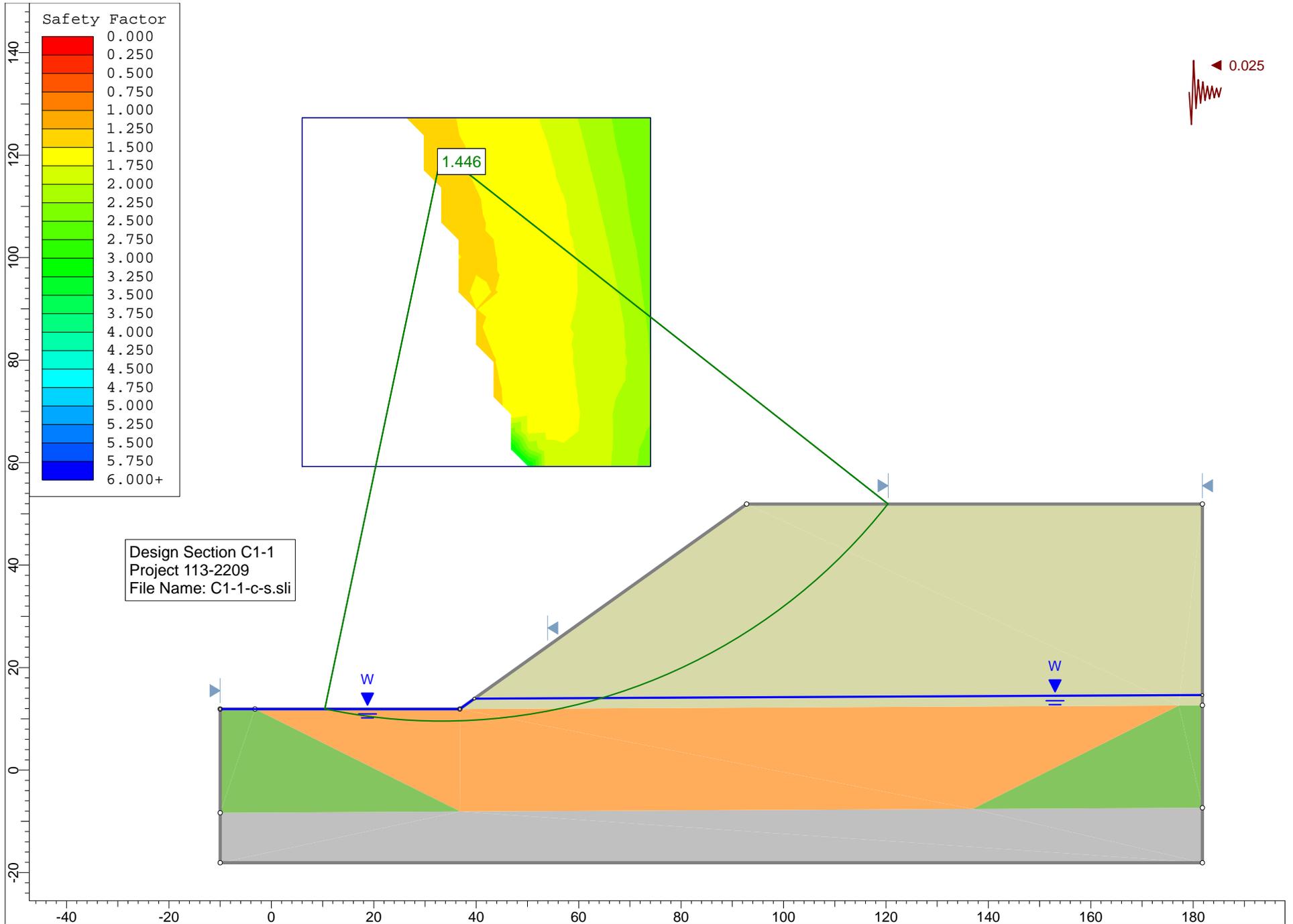


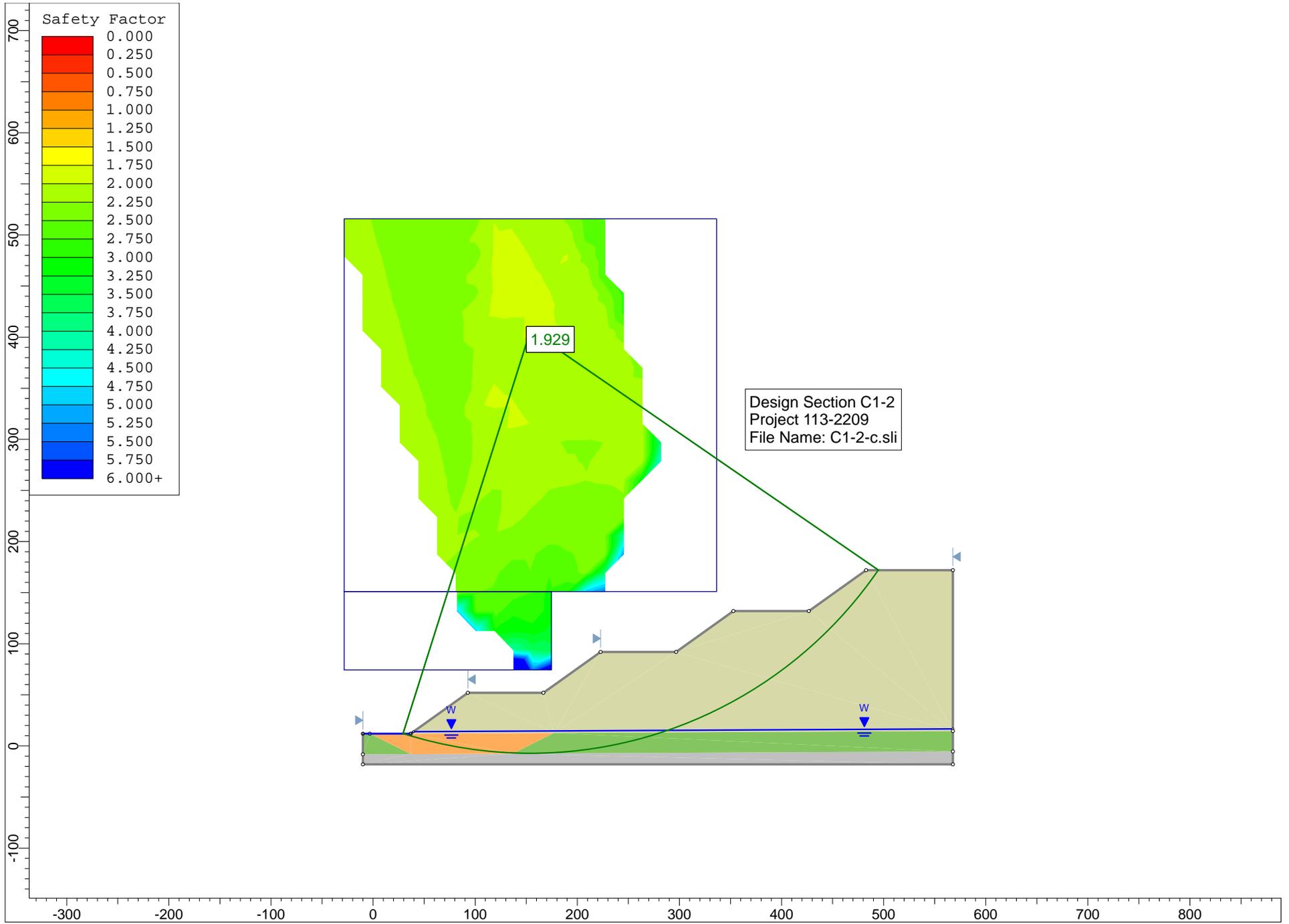


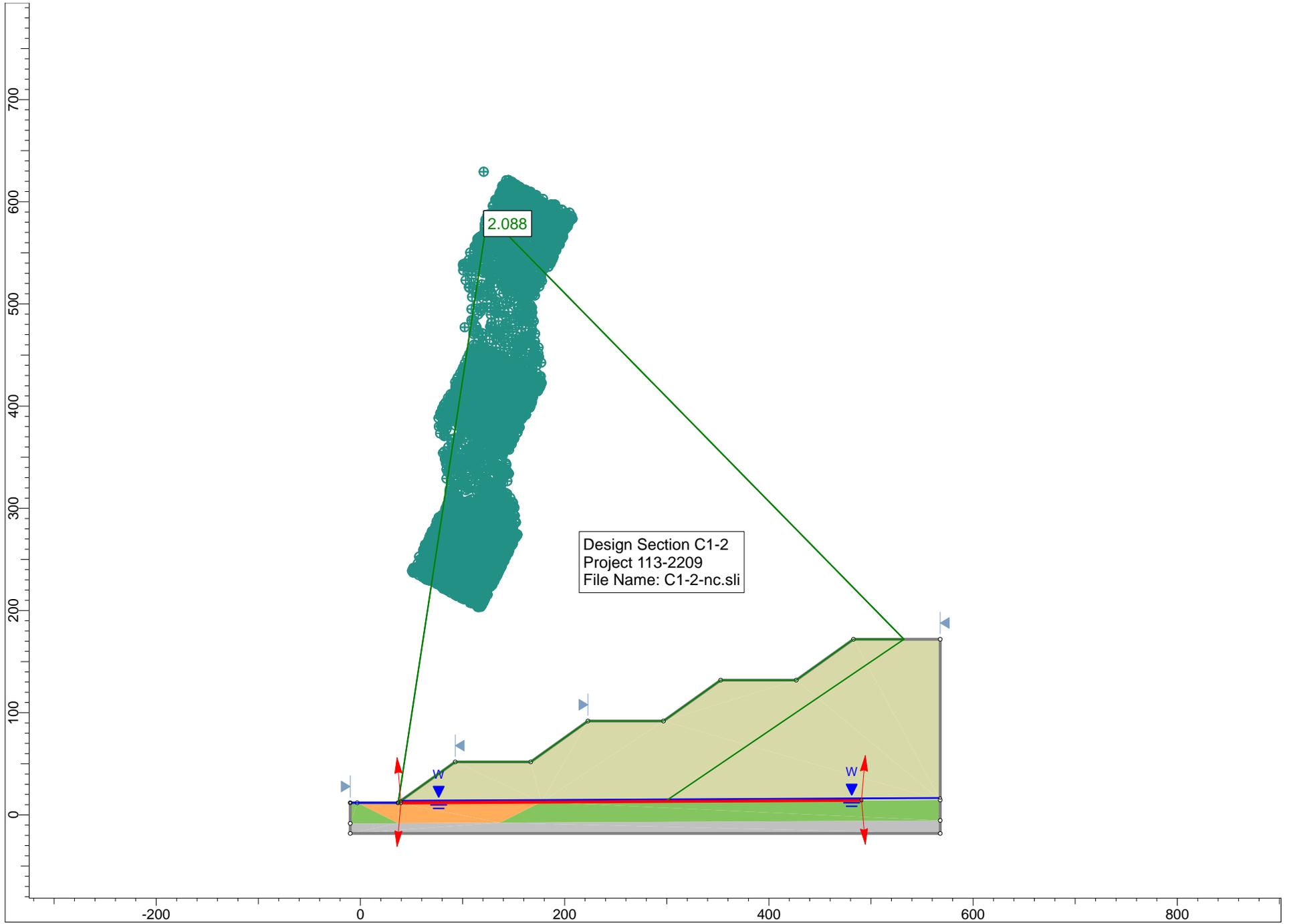


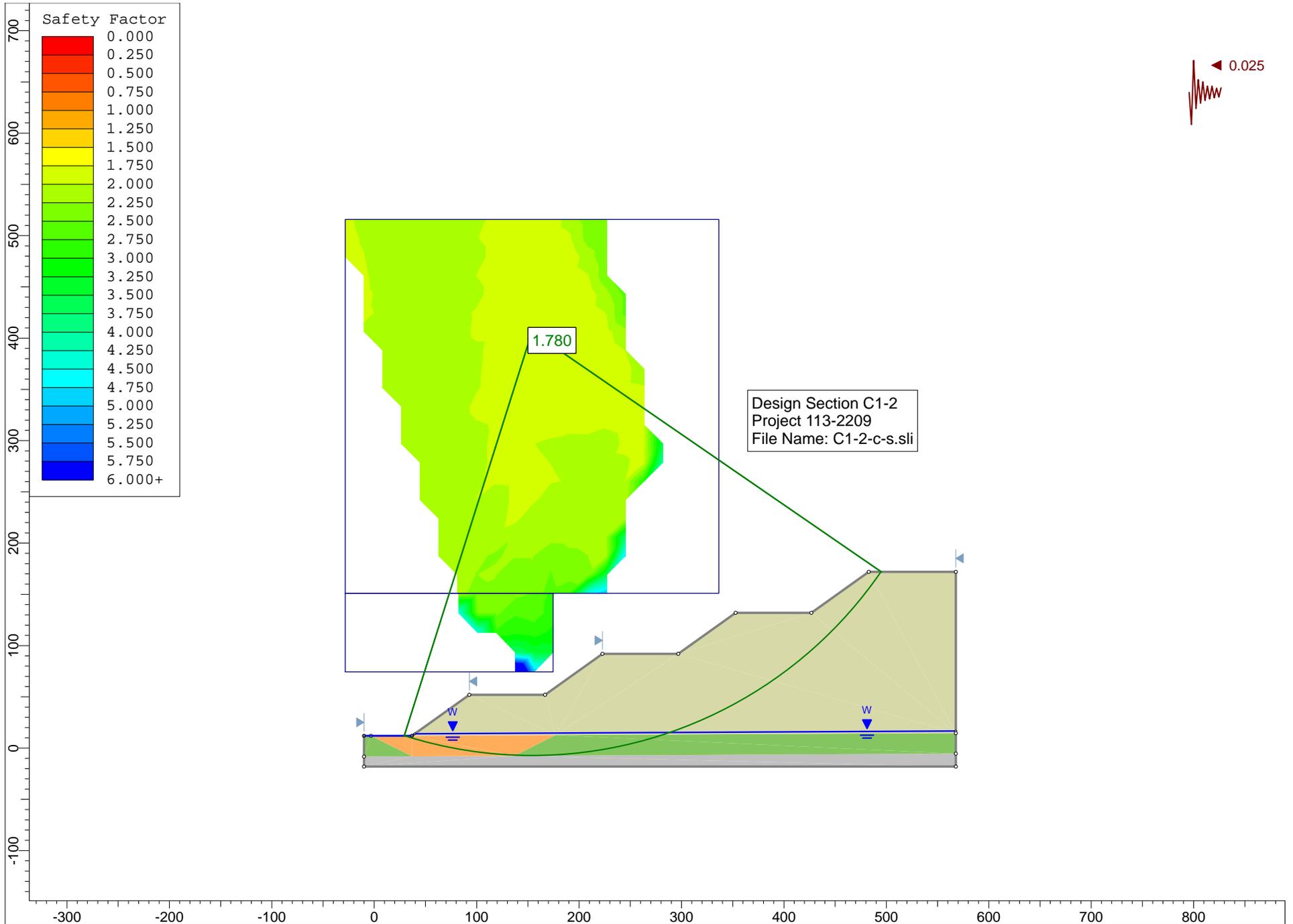


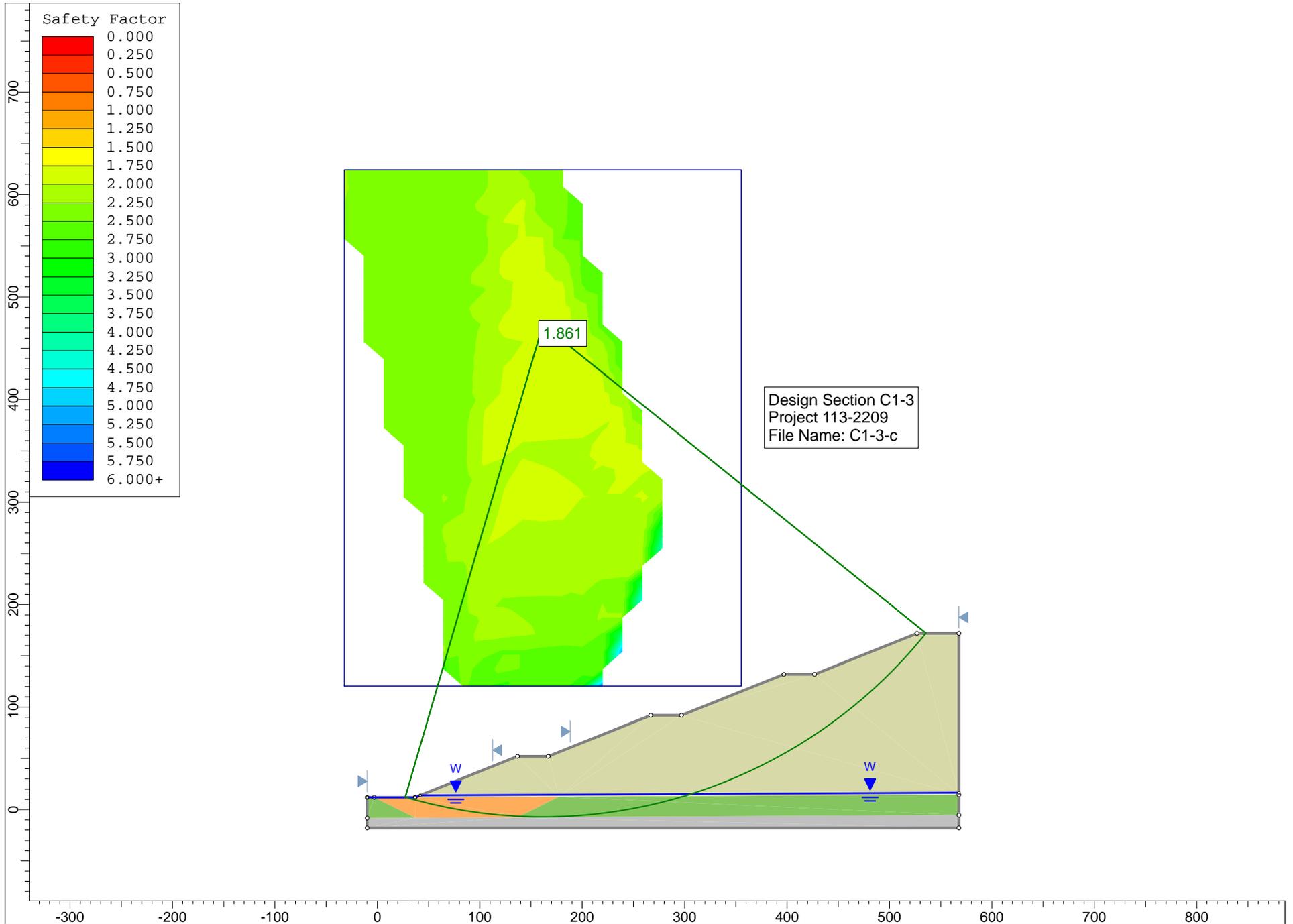


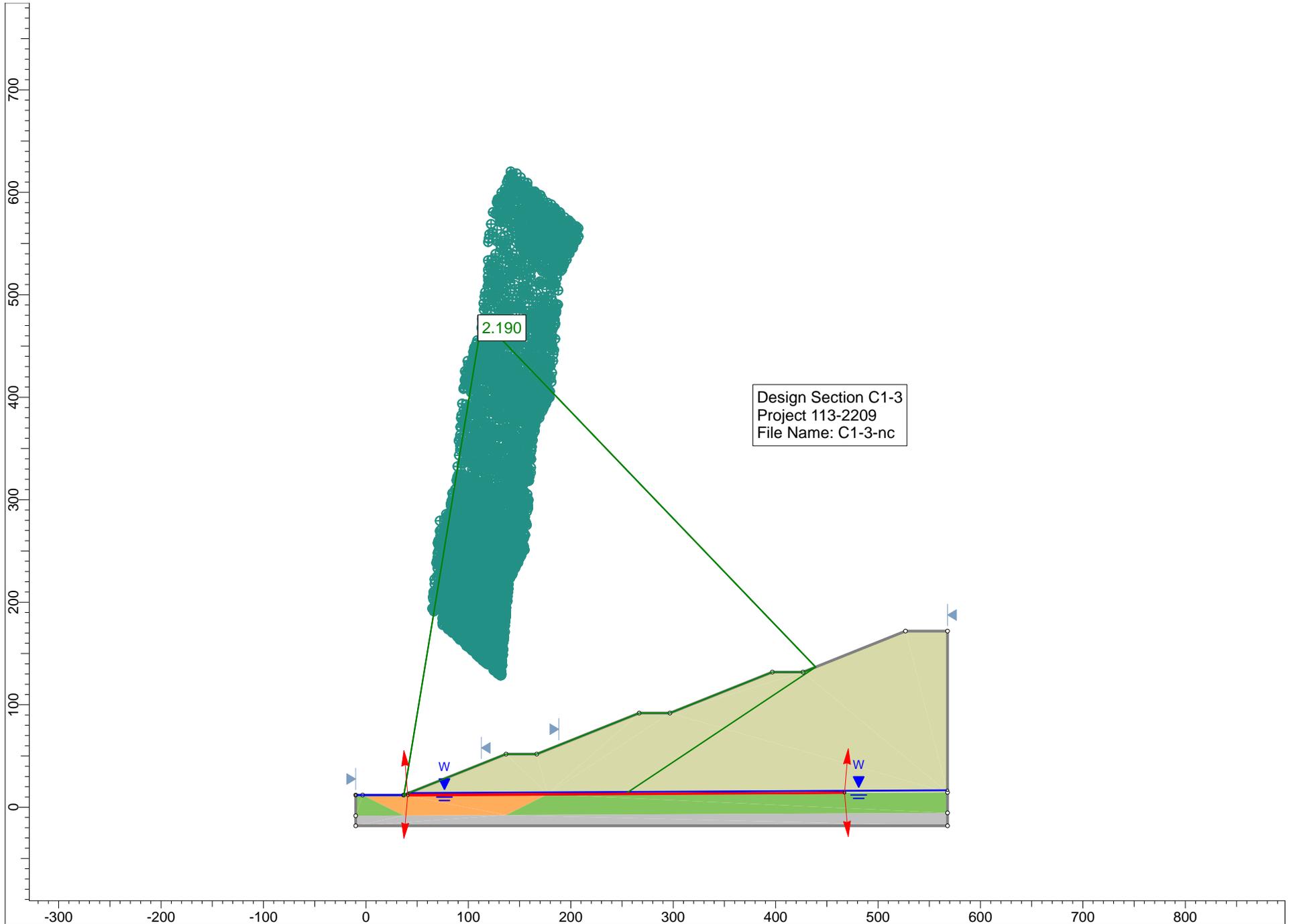


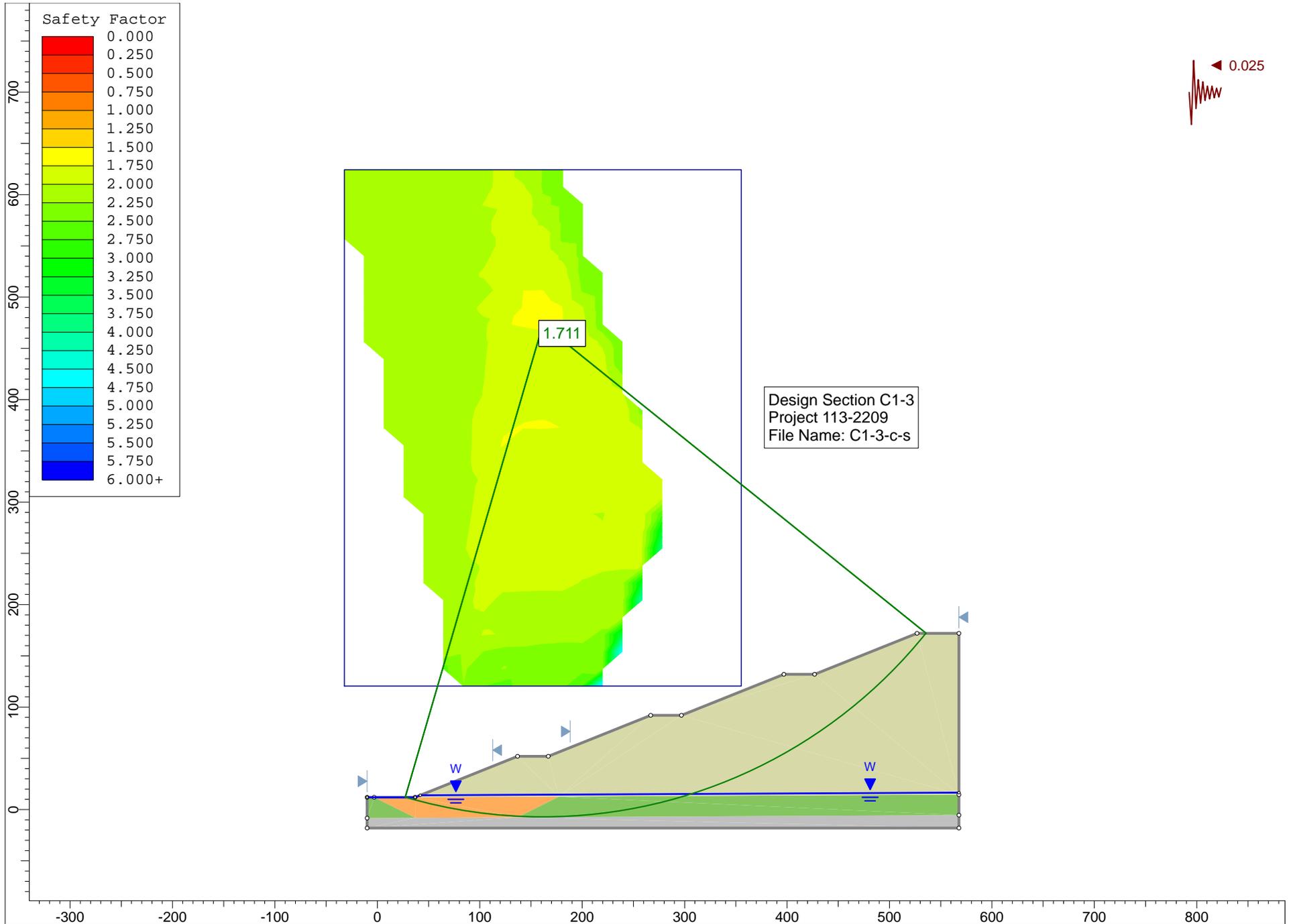


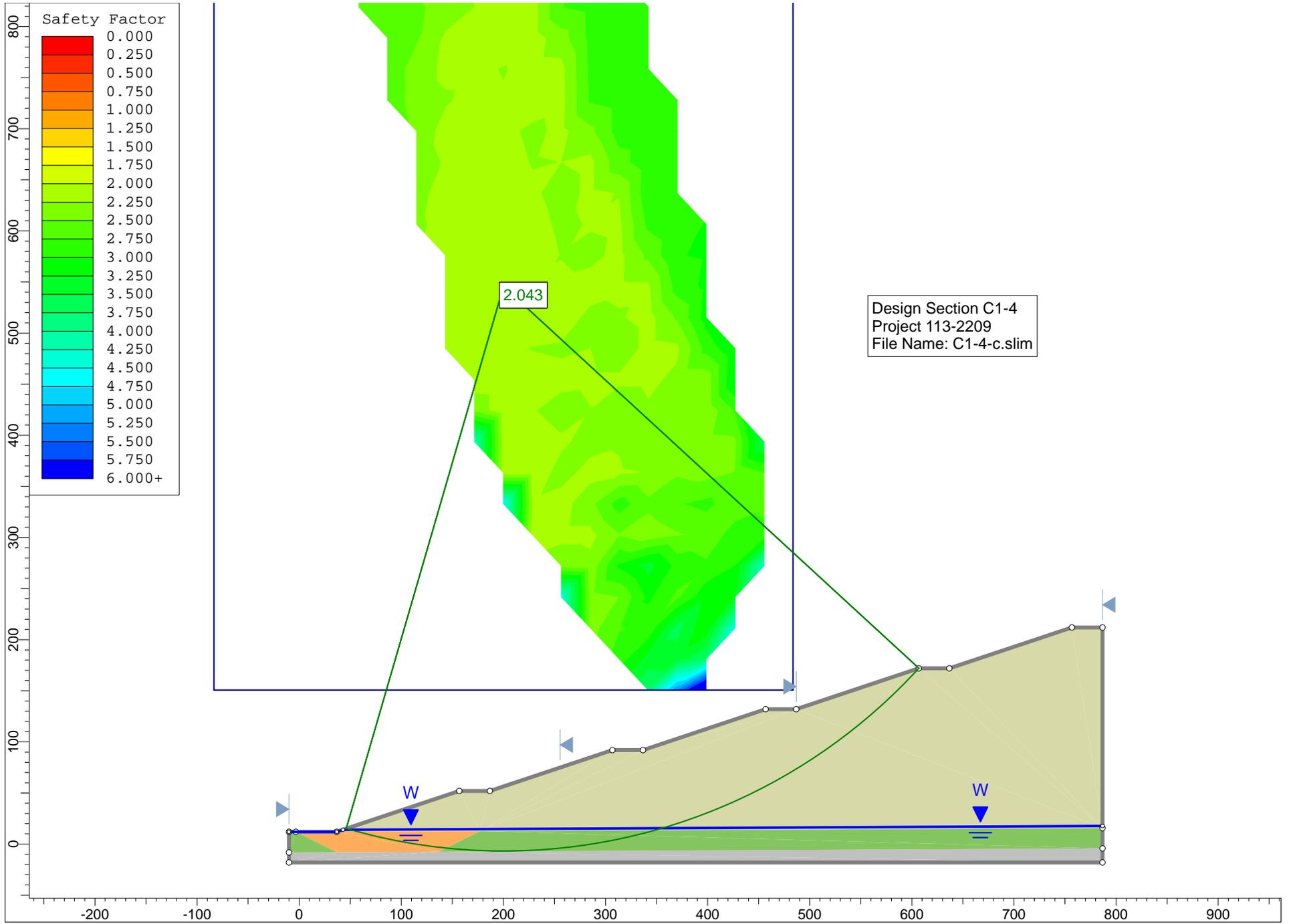


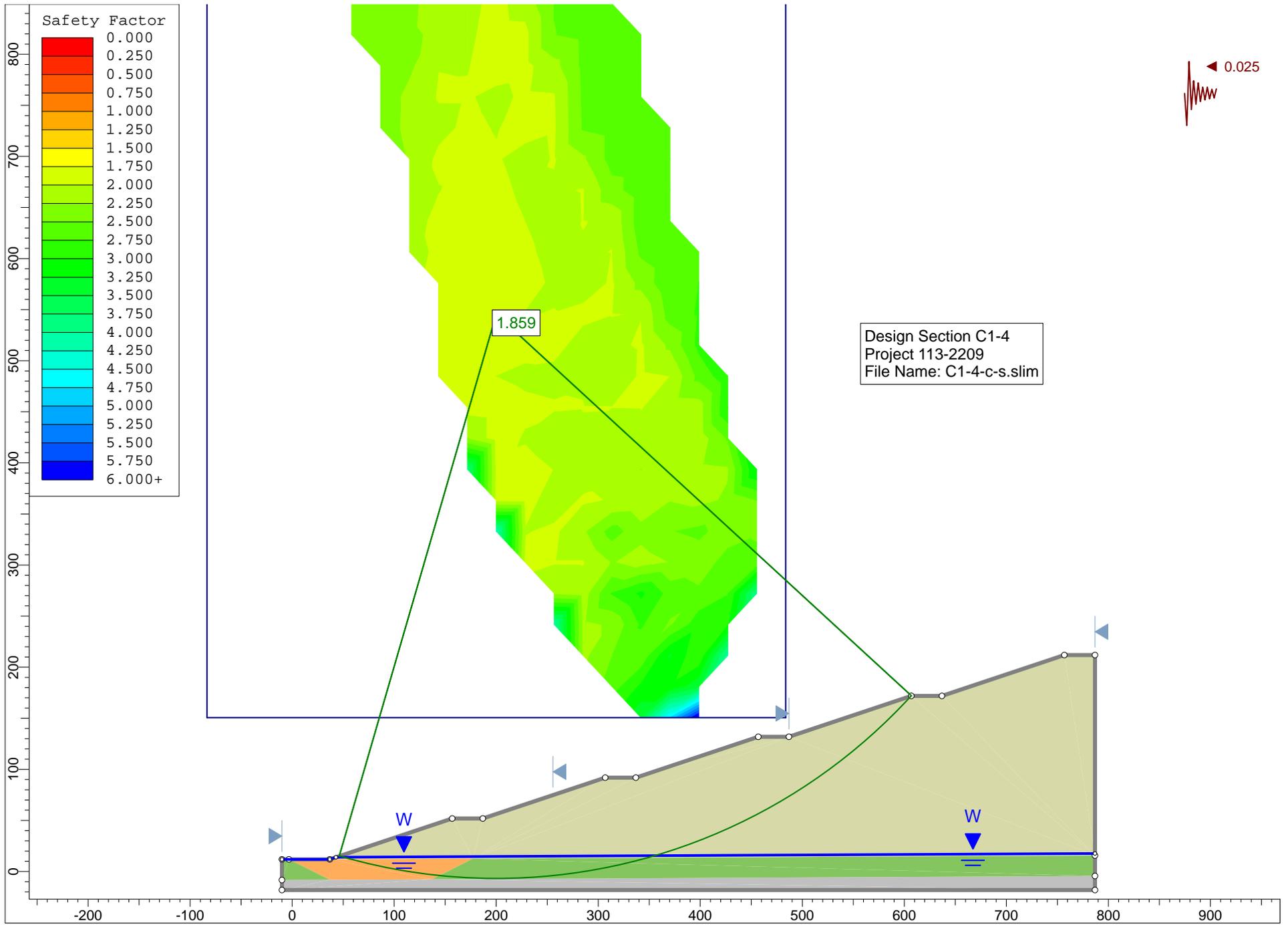


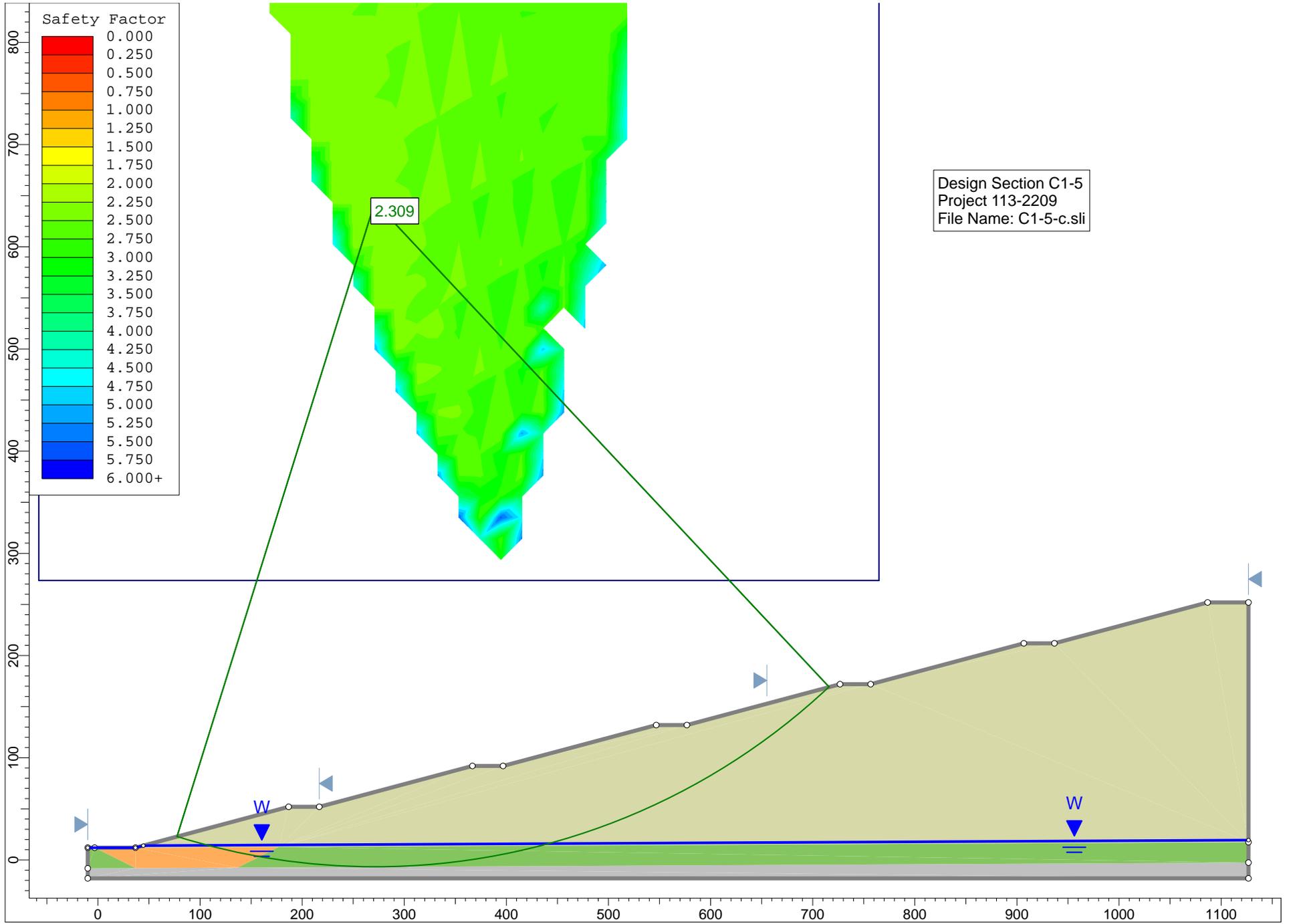


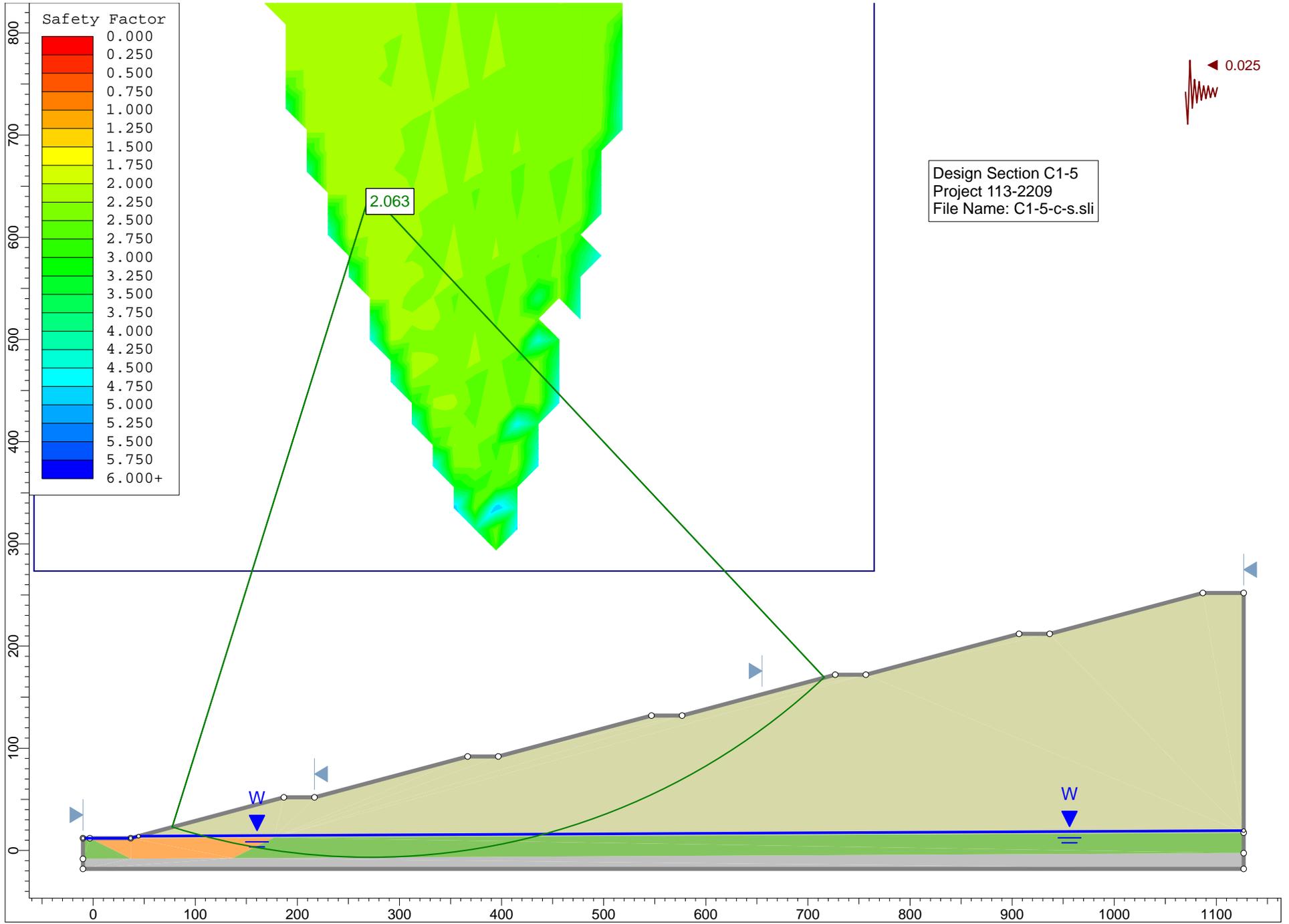


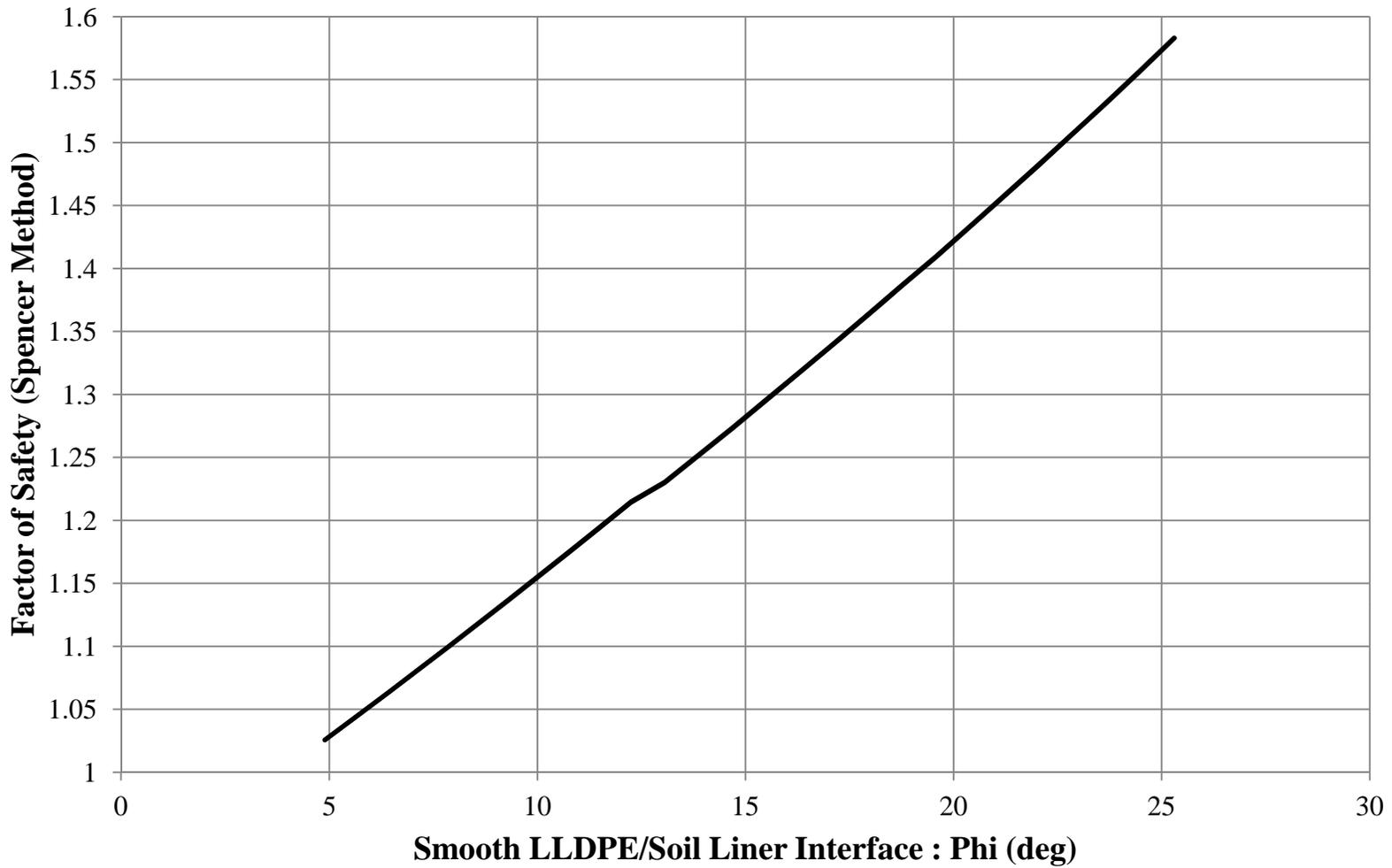












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## **Attachment J**

### **Foundation Settlement and Liner Strain Calculation**



sample (TP#5, Sample #1, 0.5 to 4 feet) collected during the Phase I geotechnical investigation performed by Golder (2006). The selected compression properties for glacial till material (Figure 1) were assumed to be representative of subsurface soil conditions in the case where no structural fill is required to construct stockpile foundations.

It was assumed that the structural fill materials will exhibit properties similar to medium dense to dense sand, with a constrained modulus of approximately 10,000 pounds per square inch (psi) at an effective stress of 100 psi. The gravimetric moisture content of subgrade materials (glacial till and structural fill) was assumed to be 14 percent.

The following compressibility model was used for settlement calculations:

$$e = A[\sigma' + Z]^B, \tag{1}$$

where  $e$  stands for the void ratio,  $\sigma'$  denotes the vertical effective stress, and  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $Z$  are material parameters shown in Table 1. The employed compressibility model inherently assumes that all unsuitable materials (e.g., peat, organic soils, clays, etc.) in lowland areas are excavated and replaced with structural fill.

**Table 1 Estimated Material Parameters**

Material	Units	A	B	Z
Glacial till	(kPa)	1.0277	-0.1113	66.73
	(psf)	1.4414	-0.1113	1393.3
	(psi)	0.8289	-0.1113	9.679
Structural fill	(kPa)	0.4471	-0.0271	57.24
	(psf)	0.4854	-0.0271	1195.1
	(psi)	0.4243	-0.0271	8.3021

Compression curves developed for glacial till and structural fill materials used in the settlement calculations are shown in Figures 1 and 2.

## 2.2 Geometry and Loading Conditions

The thicknesses of subgrade materials (glacial till or structural fill) were estimated as a difference between the proposed liner grades and the estimated bedrock elevations. Surface loading was calculated based on the stockpile configurations at Year 20, assuming a waste rock dry density of 1.7 tons per cubic yard (t/yd<sup>3</sup>) and a gravimetric moisture content of 8 percent.

## 2.3 Initial Conditions

The groundwater table was assumed to coincide with the bedrock surface during stockpile construction, i.e., it was assumed that the site is de-watered prior to fill placement. Pre-loading of subgrade materials was assumed to be equal to 10 psi due to construction equipment used for subgrade preparation.

## 3.0 CALCULATIONS

### 3.1 Foundation Settlements

Settlement calculations were based on determining the subgrade thickness prior to and after loading with the waste rock material. The height of the one-dimensional subgrade column ( $H$ ) was calculated as follows:

$$H = H_s + \frac{e(0)[\sigma'(0) + Z] - e(H_s)[\sigma'(H_s) + Z]}{(1 + B)\gamma_w G_s (1 + w)}, \quad (2)$$

where  $w$  is the gravimetric moisture content,  $H_s$  is the height of solids,  $e(0)$  and  $\sigma'(0)$  denote the void ratio and the effective stress at the base of the soil column, and  $e(H_s)$  and  $\sigma'(H_s)$  are the void ratio and the effective stress at the surface. The effective stress applied to the surface was set to 10 psi for the soil column prior to placement of the waste rock in order to account for equipment loading during construction. The effective stress at the surface of the soil column after placement of waste rock with a defined thickness,  $H_{WR}$ , was calculated as follows:

$$\sigma'(H_s) = H_{WR} \gamma_{WR}, \quad (3)$$

where  $\gamma_{WR}$  is the waste rock density (assumed as 136 pounds per cubic foot (pcf)). The effective stress at the base of the soil column was calculated as follows:

$$\sigma'(0) = \gamma_w G_s (1 + w) H_s + \sigma'(H_s), \quad (4)$$

where  $\gamma_w$  is the density of water and  $G_s$  denotes the specific gravity of subgrade soils (assumed to be equal to 2.8). For a one-dimensional soil column, the height of solids,  $H_s$ , was calculated from Equation 2 with the column height,  $H$ , equal to the difference between the proposed liner grades and the corresponding estimated bedrock elevation.

### 3.2 Liner Strain

Foundation settlement calculations were determined using the grid spacing  $L$ . Using the maximum calculated settlement,  $\delta$ , the maximum liner strain was conservatively estimated as follows:

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\sqrt{L^2 + \delta^2} - L}{L} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{\delta^2}{L^2}} - 1 \approx \frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta^2}{L^2} \quad (5)$$

## 4.0 RESULTS

The minimum initial liner grade employed for stockpile foundation construction is 0.5 percent according to project design criteria. Figures 4.1, 5.1, and 6.1 display the initial liner grades for the Category 2/3 Stockpile, Category 4 Stockpile, and Lean Ore Surge Pile, respectively. Figures 4.2, 5.2, and 6.2 display the calculated final liner grades based on the assumption that all subgrade materials are uniform and can be described using the properties for glacial till listed in Table 1. The change in liner grades between initial and final liner grades (e.g., between liner grades in Figures 4.1 and 4.2) is due to stresses exerted by the waste rock placement through the end of year 20. Critical reductions in liner grades (final post-settlement liner grades shallower than 0.2 percent) were not found.

Figures 4.3, 5.3, and 6.3 display the calculated final liner grades assuming structural fill as the subgrade soil material (rather than glacial till), with no compressible soils at depth. Assuming that the structural fill behaves as a moderately stiff to dense sand with the compression properties displayed in Figure 2, liner grades are likely to remain within tolerable limits.

The maximum foundation settlements and liner strains are shown in Tables 2 through 4.

**Table 2 Maximum Settlements and Strains for Category 2/3 Stockpile**

Subgrade	Maximum Settlement (ft)	Maximum Strain (%)
Glacial till	1.24	0.03
Structural fill	0.25	<0.01

**Table 3 Maximum Settlements and Strains for Category 4 Stockpile**

Subgrade	Maximum Settlement (ft)	Maximum Strain (%)
Glacial till	0.64	<0.01
Structural fill	0.13	<0.01

**Table 4 Maximum Settlements and Strains for Lean Ore Surge Stockpile**

Subgrade	Maximum Settlement (ft)	Maximum Strain (%)
Glacial till	0.36	<0.01
Structural fill	0.07	<0.01

Large strains from foundation consolidation are not anticipated at the NorthMet stockpiles as the highland foundation soils are believed to be dominantly composed of relatively low-compressibility glacial moraine, colluvium, and weathered bedrock, which are not expected to experience large settlements. Engineered

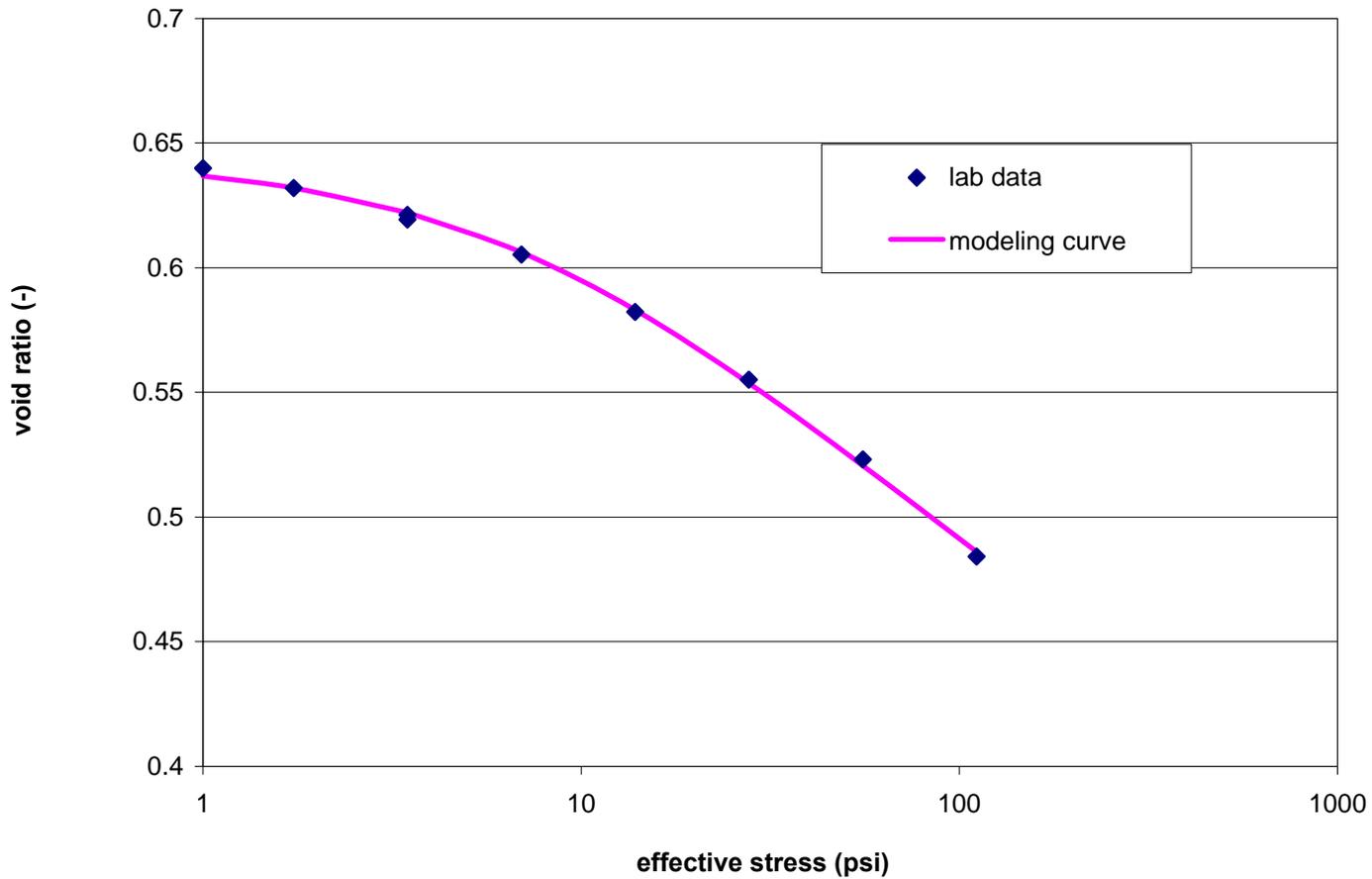
fills have also been designed to minimize the potential for settlement in lowland areas that have yet to be characterized. Note that the main reason that a linear low-density polyethylene (LLDPE) liner system was selected over a high-density polyethylene (HDPE) system is because of its greater flexibility and significantly more favorable biaxial stress-strain properties, which can accommodate unexpected foundation settlements. The documented allowable biaxial strain for LLDPE is in excess of 30 percent, while HDPE will only strain uniaxially to only 12 to 17 percent before yield failure occurs. Conservatively assuming a maximum strain for the LLDPE liner systems of 30 percent and the maximum predicted settlement strain from glacial till of 0.03 percent, the factor of safety against liner rupture resulting from settlement is approximately 1000.

## 5.0 CONCLUSIONS

Waste rock loading may increase or decrease the slope gradients as illustrated in Figure 3 (potentially even resulting in depressions or negative gradients depending upon the actual site conditions). For example, loading Case A in Figure 3 depicts liner grade reduction caused by decreasing waste rock height in the direction of decreasing liner elevations. Similarly, the loading Case B in Figure 3 depicts steepening of the liner grades caused by increasing waste rock height in the direction of decreasing liner elevations. This trend of liner grade reduction/increase may be exacerbated if the subgrade soil thickness increases in the same direction as the waste rock height.

Settlement calculations indicate that subgrade soils with the compression index below approximately 0.1 are likely to perform favorably under the assumed loading conditions.

## FIGURES



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**Glacial Till Compressibility  
Laboratory Data vs. Modeling Curve**

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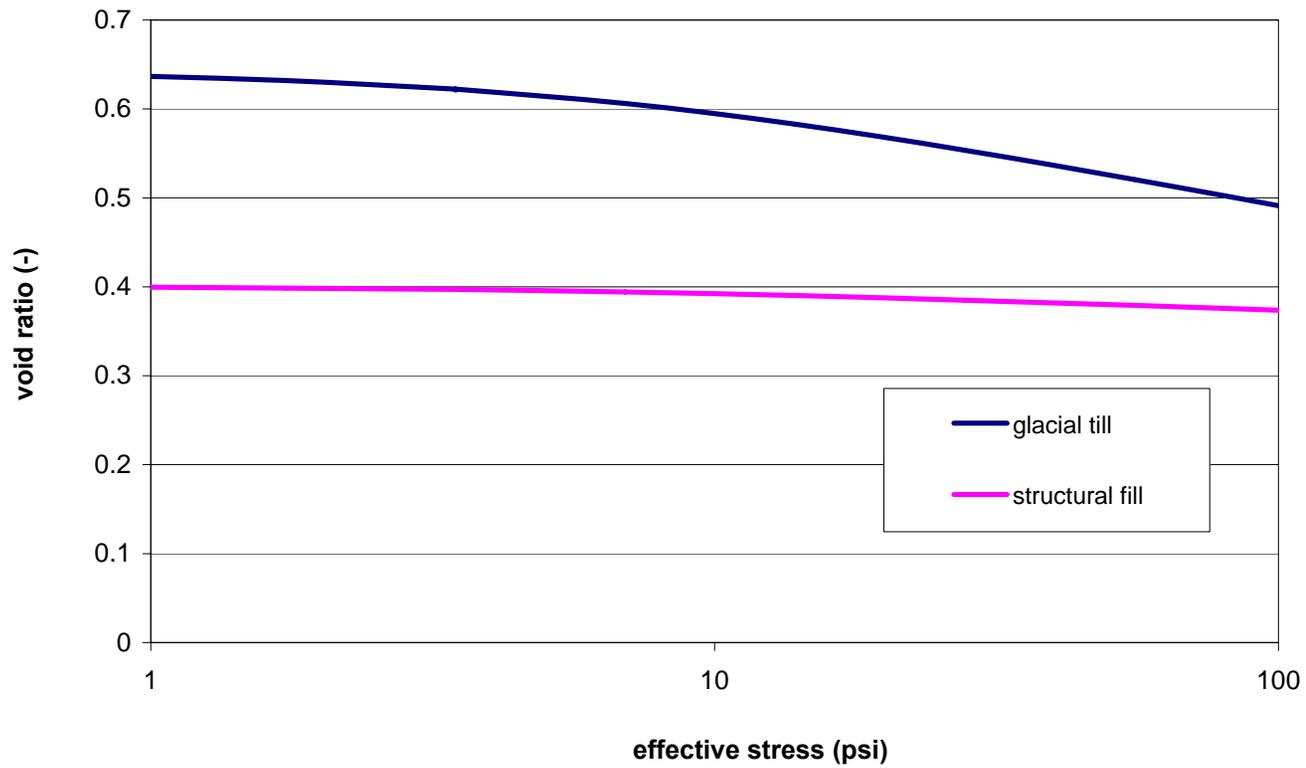
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**FIGURE 1**



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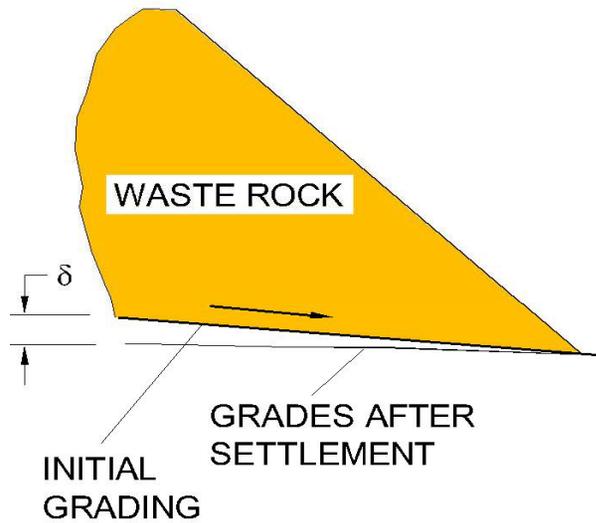
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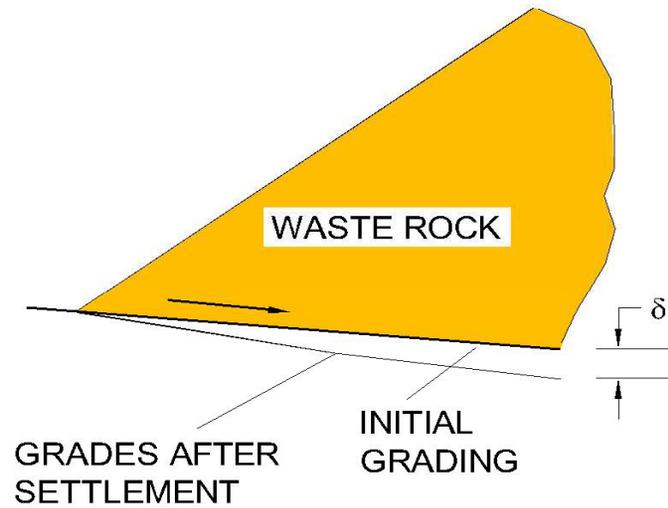
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**FIGURE 2**



**LOADING CASE A:  
WASTE ROCK HEIGHT INCREASES W/  
INCREASING LINER ELEVATIONS**



**LOADING CASE B:  
WASTE ROCK HEIGHT INCREASES W/  
DECREASING LINER ELEVATIONS**



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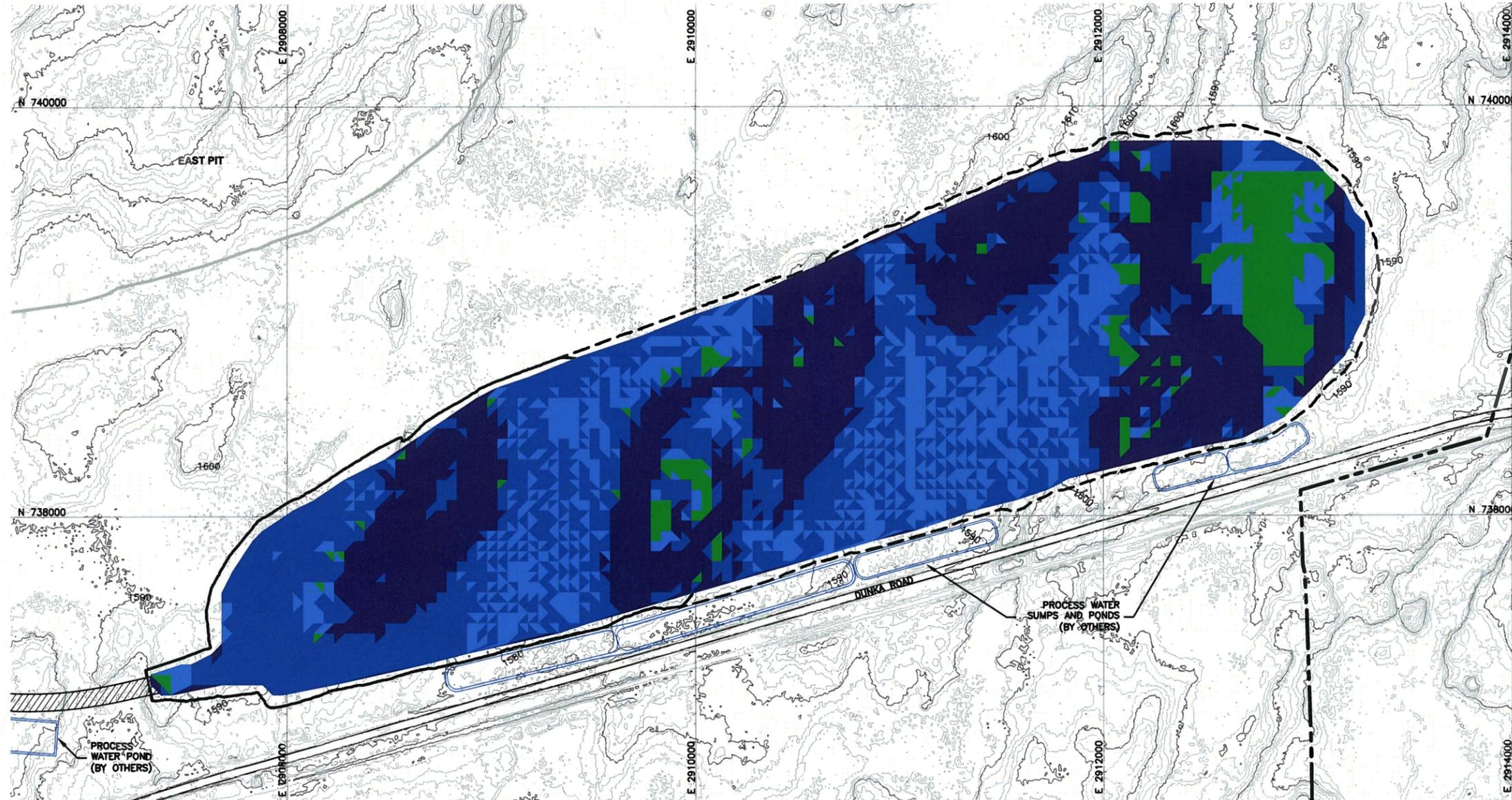
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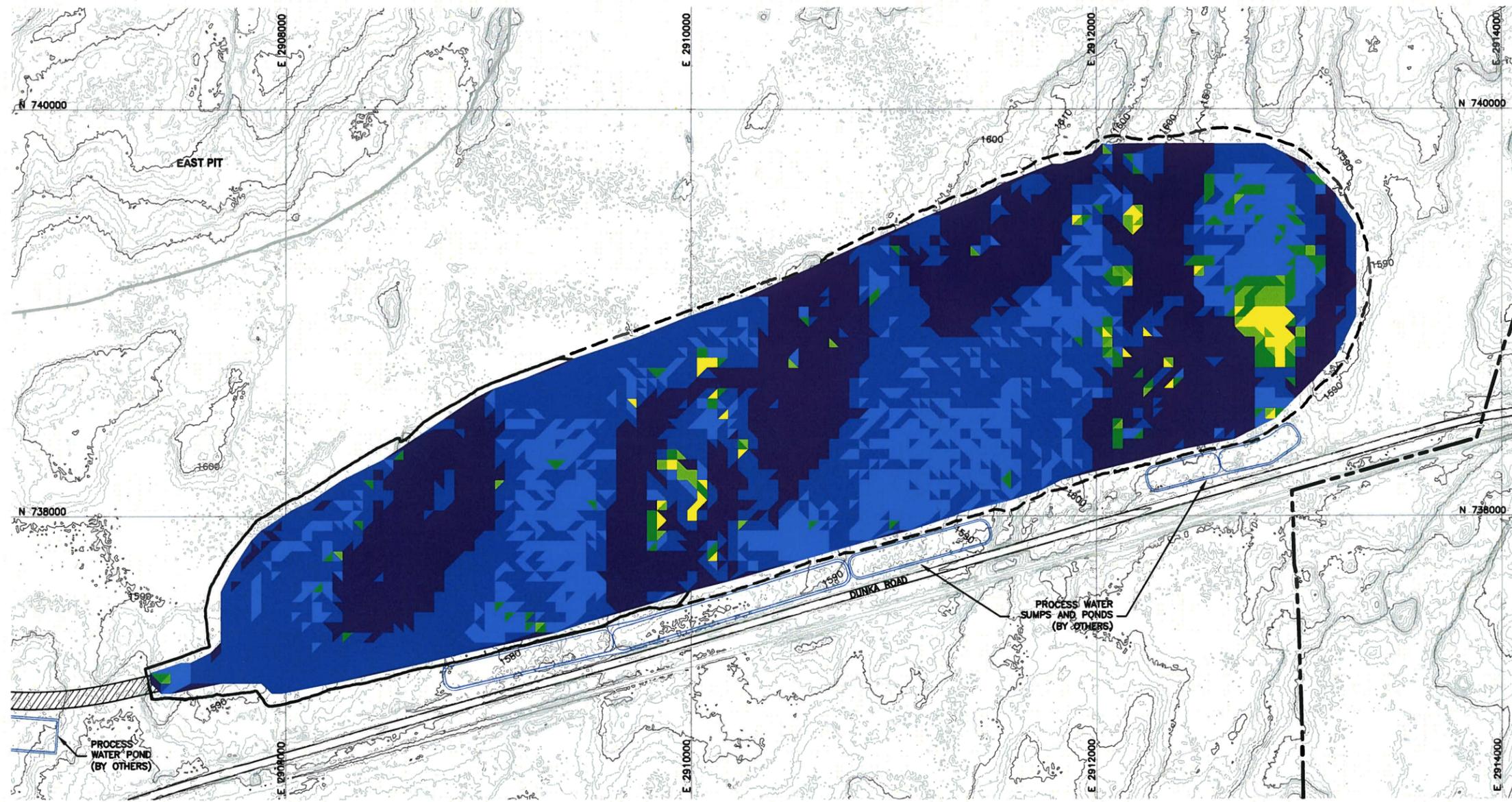
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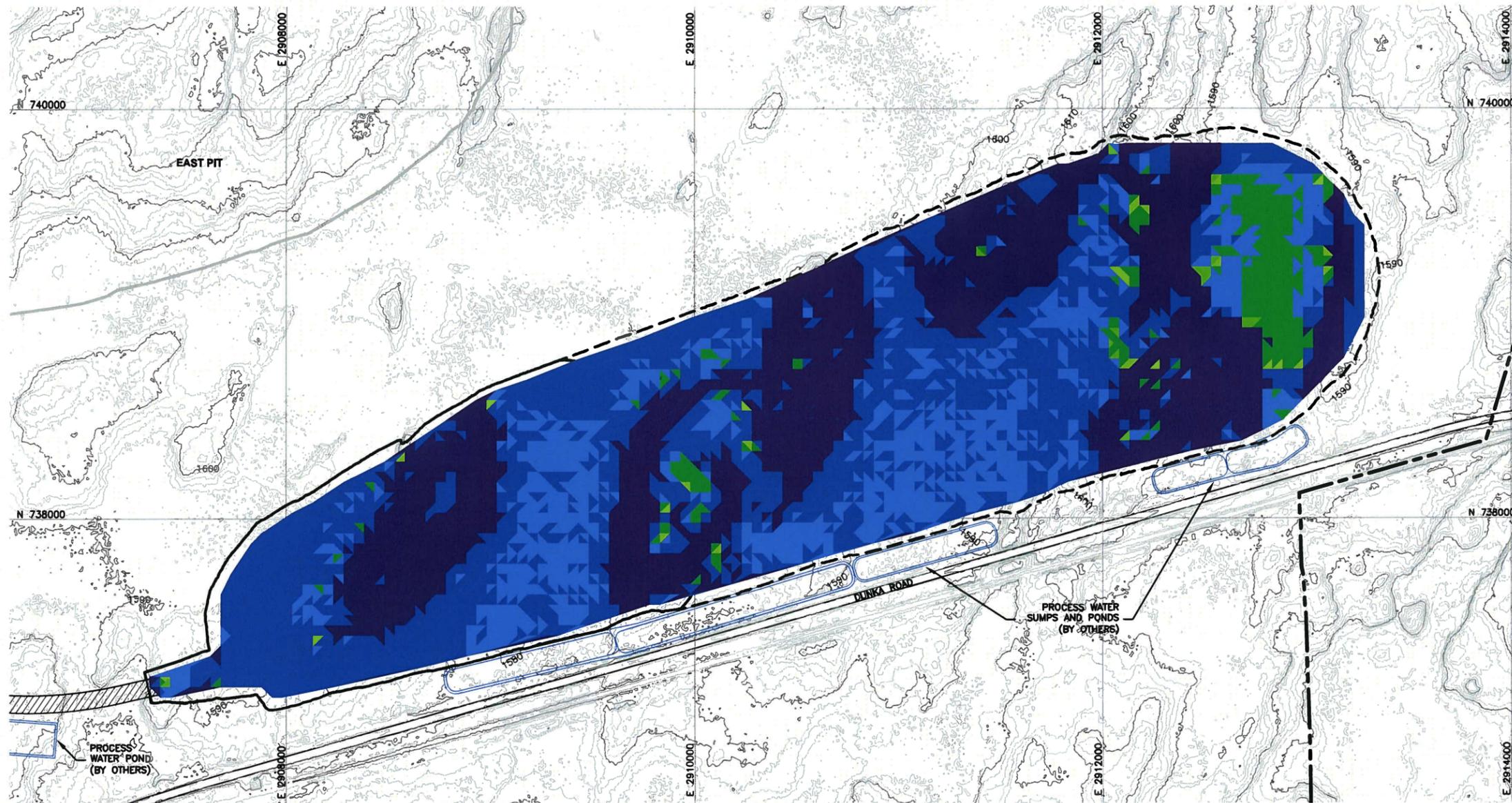
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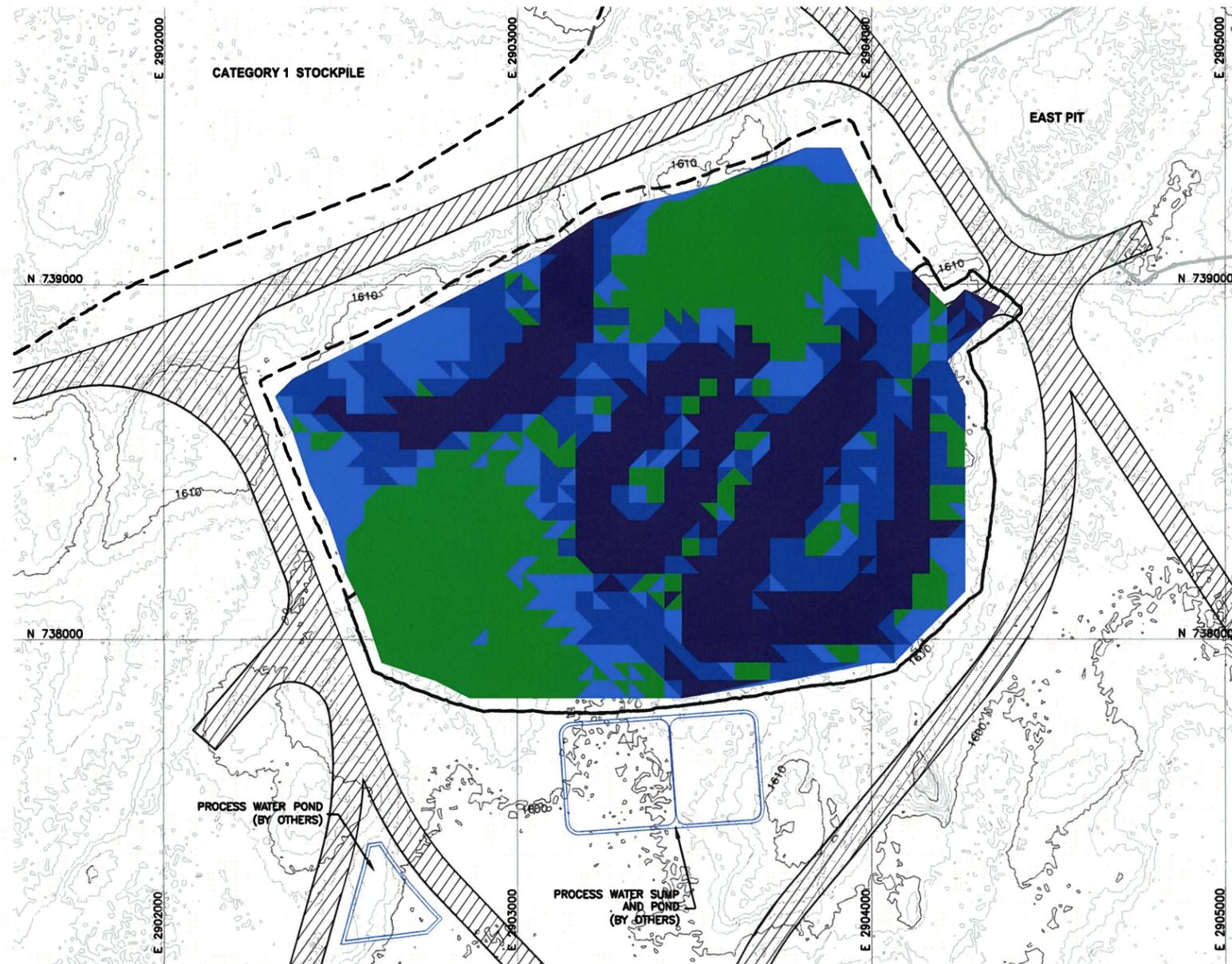
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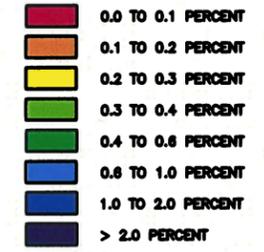
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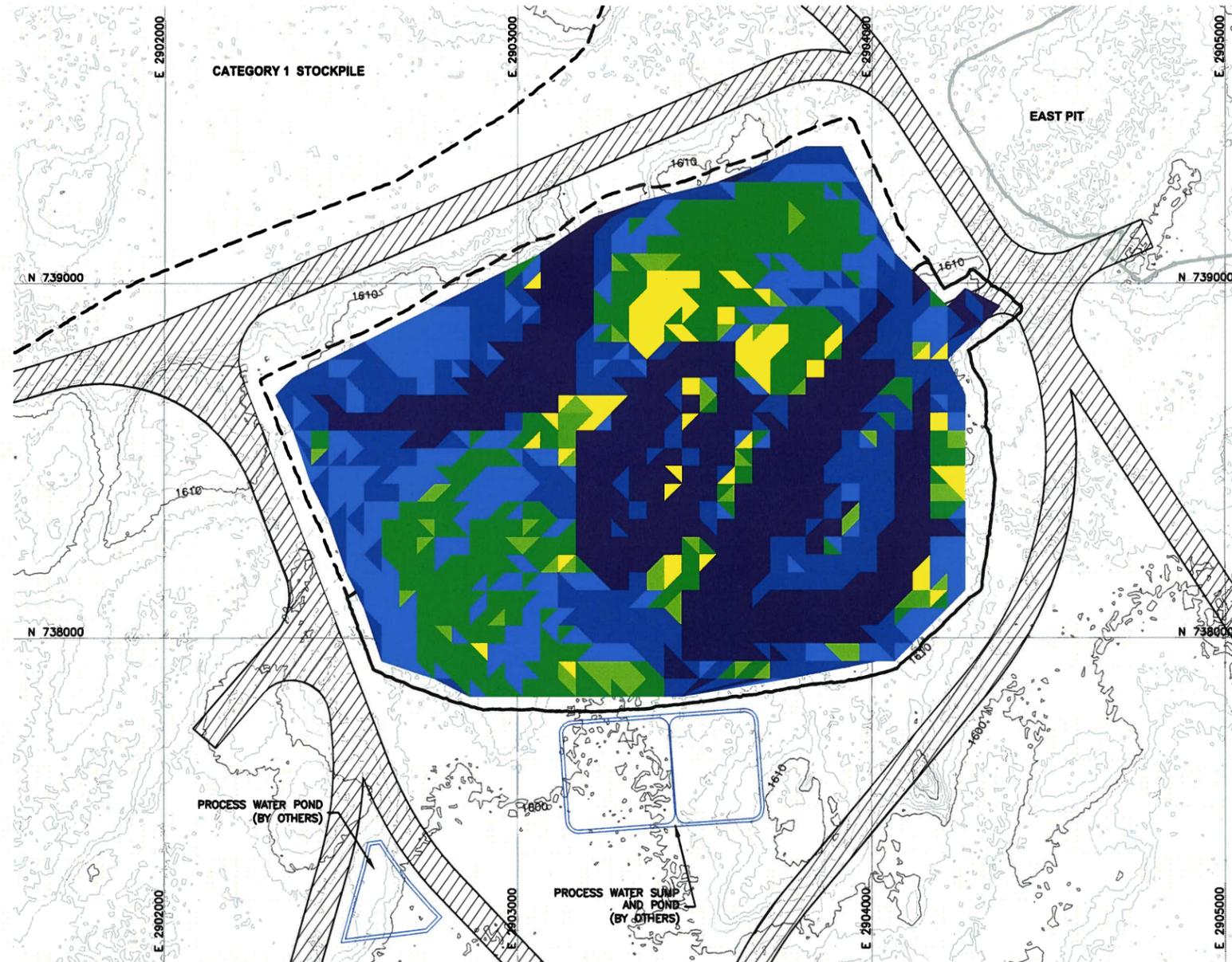
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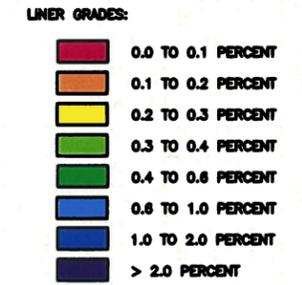
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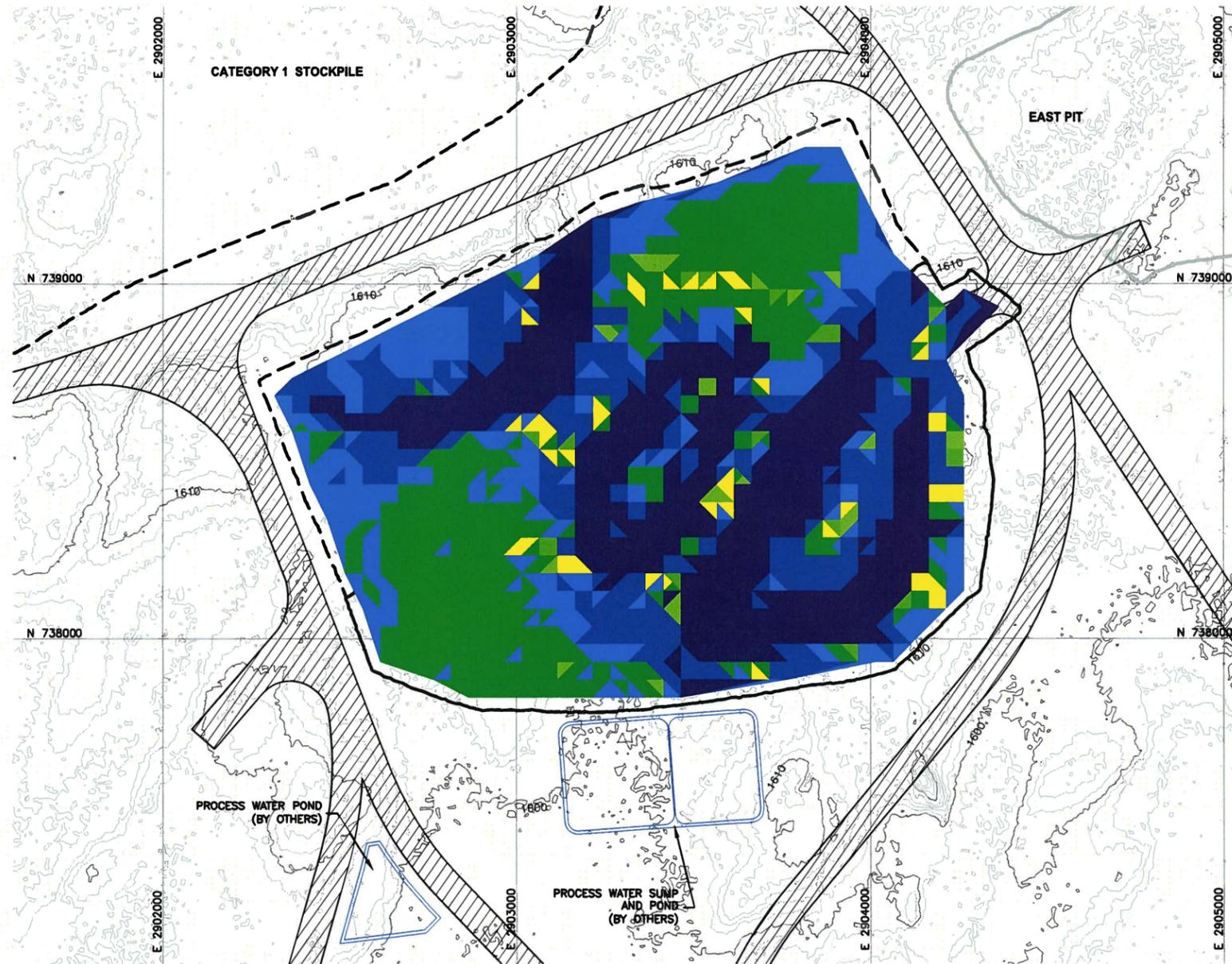
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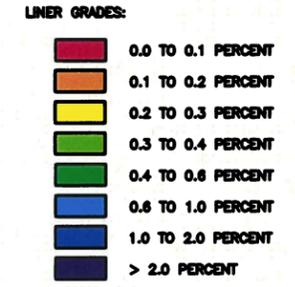
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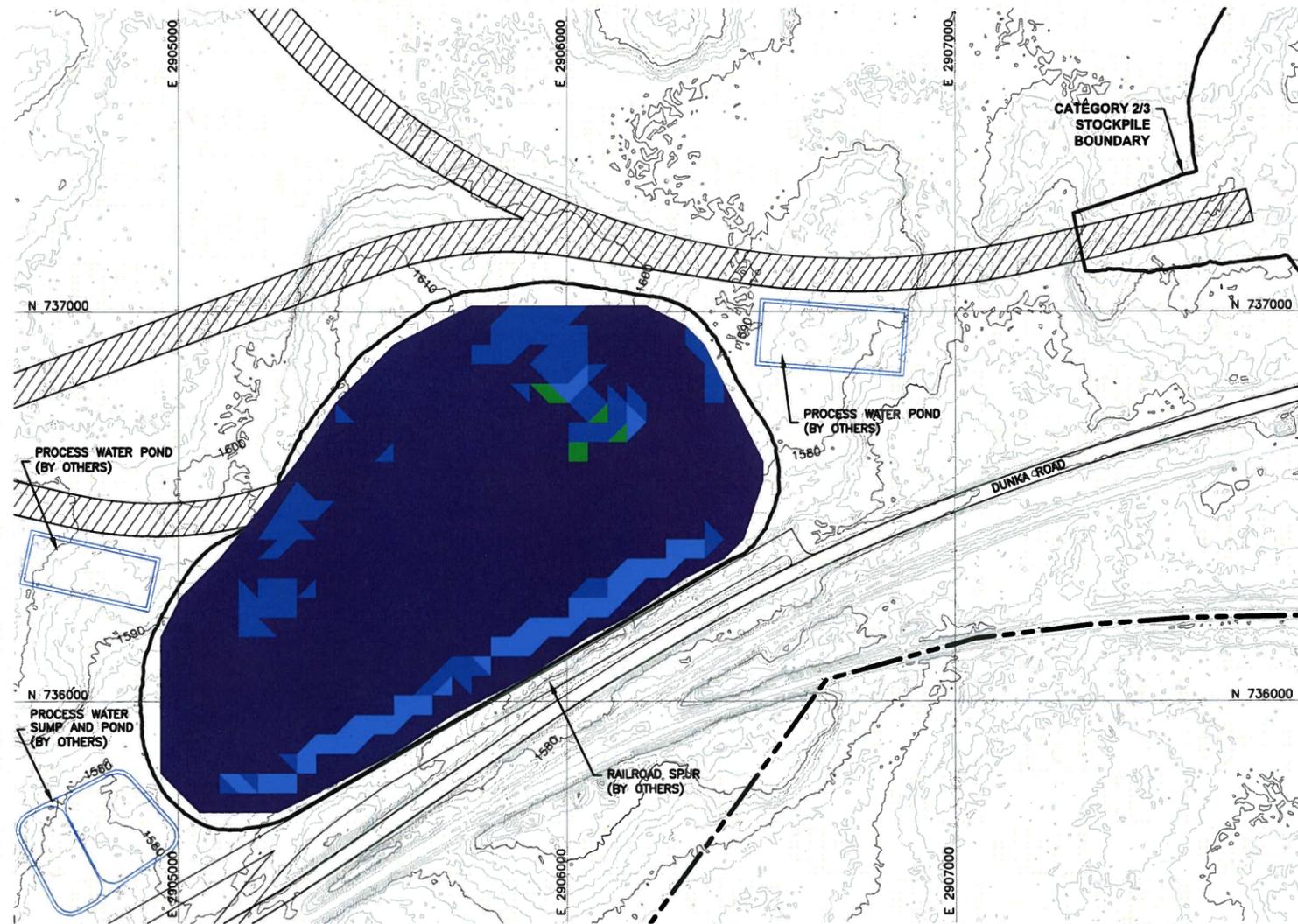
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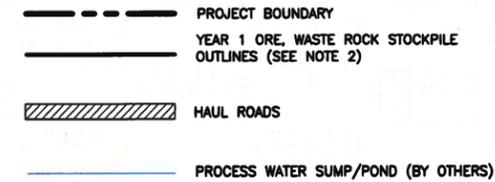
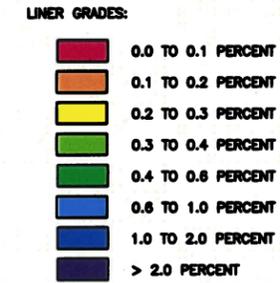
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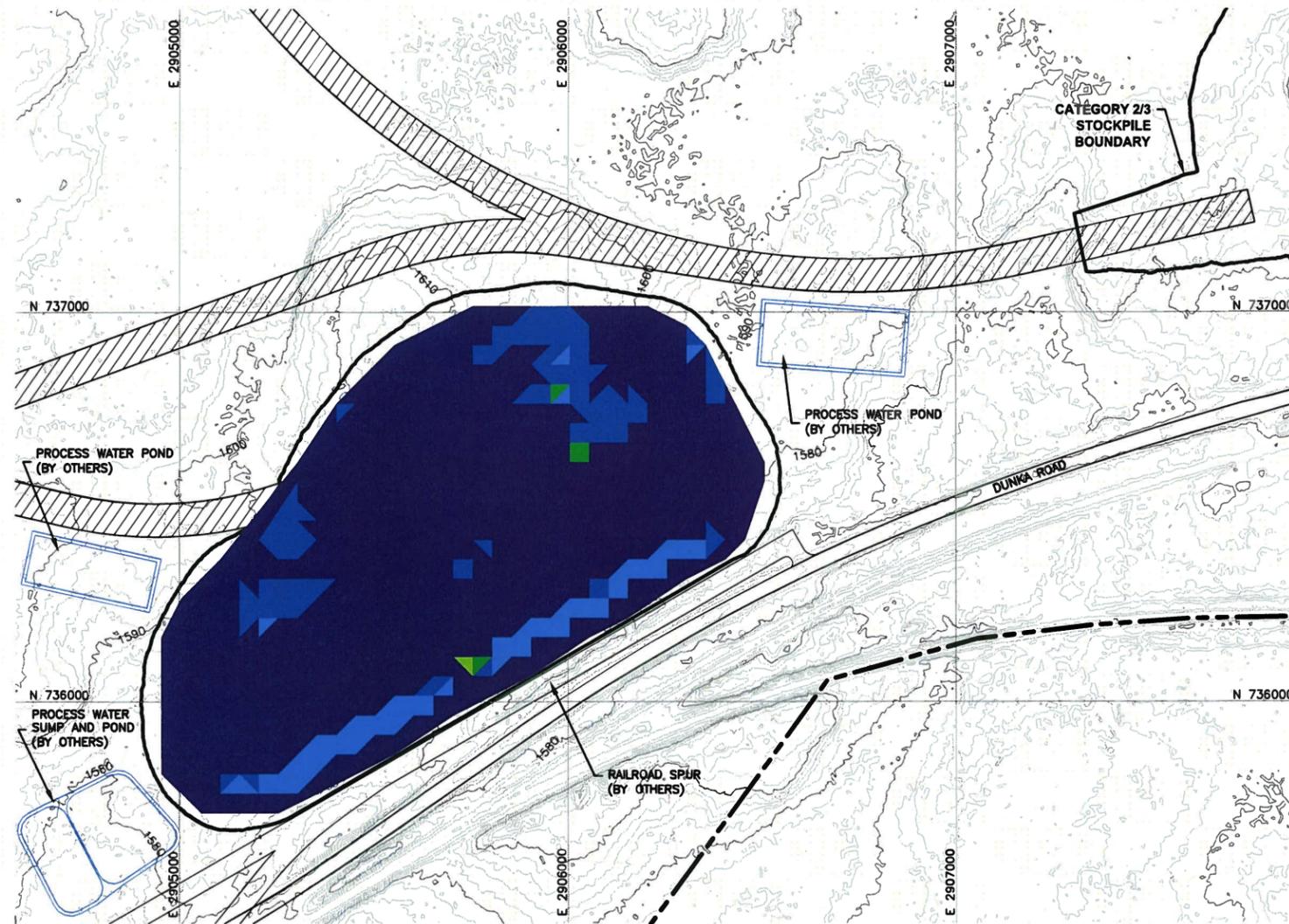
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- 0.1 TO 0.2 PERCENT
- 0.2 TO 0.3 PERCENT
- 0.3 TO 0.4 PERCENT
- 0.4 TO 0.6 PERCENT
- 0.6 TO 1.0 PERCENT
- 1.0 TO 2.0 PERCENT
- > 2.0 PERCENT

- PROJECT BOUNDARY
- YEAR 1 ORE, WASTE ROCK STOCKPILE OUTLINES (SEE NOTE 2)
- HAUL ROADS
- PROCESS WATER SUMP/POND (BY OTHERS)

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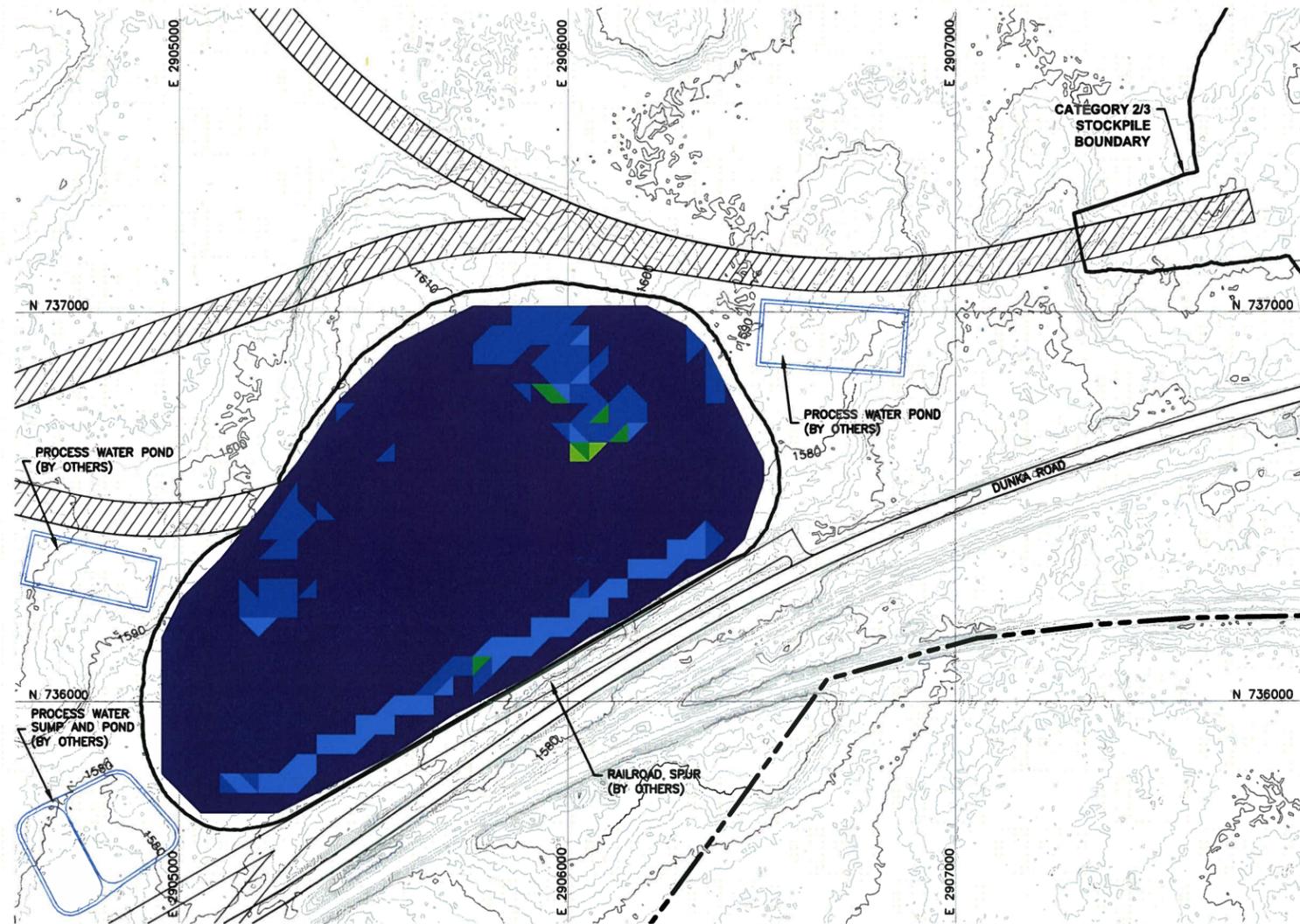
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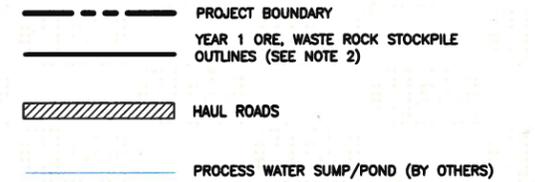
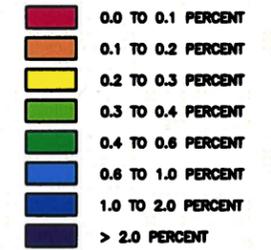
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**Attachment K**

**Liner Survivability Evaluation**

## APPENDIX K

### GEOMEMBRANE LINER SURVIVABILITY

Golder Associates Inc. (Golder) has prepared this appendix presenting results of liner load testing conducted for other high stress applications demonstrating the survivability of 80 mil linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE) geomembrane, as proposed for use as the primary liner for waste rock stockpiles containing Categories 2, 3, and 4 waste rock at PolyMet's NorthMet Project. Confirmatory laboratory testing will need to be conducted for the proposed liner system once actual construction materials (i.e., drainage gravel, soil liner, and subgrade soils) become available to facilitate the testing.

#### BACKGROUND

The liner system designs for the NorthMet Project incorporate a risk-based approach depending on the reactivity category of the waste rock. Use of geomembrane liner, specifically 80 mil LLDPE, is proposed for use at the following facilities:

- Category 2/3 Waste Rock Stockpile: A compacted subgrade (i.e., soil liner 3) overlain by an 80 mil LLDPE geomembrane liner and an overliner drainage layer. The upper one foot of the prepared subgrade shall have a maximum permeability of  $1 \times 10^{-5}$  centimeters per second (cm/s).
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The geomembrane liner will be overlain by a drainage layer comprised of a minimum of 2 feet of minus one and one-quarter inch (-1 ¼ in) crushed rock or native gravelly materials. At this time, it is anticipated that the drainage layer will have a minimum permeability of  $1 \times 10^{-2}$  cm/s under the anticipated design loading conditions. Once drainage material meeting the project specifications becomes available for laboratory testing (anticipated during the Phase II investigation), confirmatory testing will need to include consolidation-permeability testing of the overliner materials.

#### OBJECTIVE

The purpose of a liner load testing program is to evaluate the site-specific survivability of various liner systems under anticipated loading conditions. Further, the purpose of liner load testing is to demonstrate that the proposed liner system can maintain hydraulic containment even with waste rock depths that are greater than the designed ultimate height of the proposed facilities.

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proposed for the NorthMet Project. In general, the stresses tested to were greater than those anticipated for the NorthMet Project.

### **TEST RESULTS**

Table K-1 provides a compilation of liner load test characteristics and results from several projects from Golder's database which utilized LLDPE geomembrane for high stress applications. The project names have been removed to provide anonymity.

Appendices K-1 through K-3 of this Appendix provide test summaries and photos from the liner load tests discussed in Table K-1. In general, the LLDPE geomembrane liners in the above tests exhibited minor indentations and scratches, but did not show any signs of failure or puncture under visual observation, nor were pinhole leaks detected during vacuum testing. Therefore, the use of 80 mil LLDPE geomembrane as proposed for the NorthMet Project is expected to perform well. It should be noted that the anticipated loading conditions for the NorthMet Project are generally less than those in the presented test work.

### **FUTURE TEST WORK**

As part of the Phase II geotechnical investigation program in support of design work for the NorthMet Project, specifically design of the liner system and overliner drainage network, the following confirmatory laboratory testing is required using the site specific materials specified for construction:

- Consolidation/permeability testing of overliner drainage materials to confirm permeability of the material under the design loading conditions, as well as the ability of the material to resist crushing under load;
- Liner load testing of the proposed liner systems with the specified overliner and underliner materials to confirm survivability of the proposed geomembrane liner under the anticipated design loading conditions; and
- Interface shear testing of the proposed liner systems to evaluate the strength characteristics of the liner system for use in stability evaluations.

In order to facilitate current design work for the NorthMet Project, necessary design parameters have been assumed for use in the analyses based on Golder's recent experience with design of similar facilities.

APPENDIX K  
GEOMEMBRANE LINER SURVIVABILITY

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**TABLE K-1**  
**LINER LOAD TEST CONDITIONS AND RESULTS**  
**FROM HIGH STRESS APPLICATIONS**

Project	Liner System			Load Applied (psi)	Test Results
	Underliner	Geomembrane Liner	Overliner		
Project 1 (4 tests)	Clayey gravel with sand (GC)	Single-sided textured 80 mil LLDPE	2-inch minus overliner	450	PASS (Appendices K-1-1)
	Clayey sand with gravel (SC)	Single-sided textured 80 mil LLDPE	2-inch minus overliner	450	PASS (Appendices K-1-2 and K-1-3)
	Clayey gravel with sand (GC)	Single-sided textured 80 mil LLDPE	1-1/2-inch minus overliner	850	PASS (Appendix K-1-4)
Project 2 (3 tests)	Lean clay (CL)	Smooth 80 mil LLDPE	1-1/4-inch minus overliner (GP) (3 different sources)	175	PASS (Appendices K-2-1, K-2-2, and K-2-3)
Project 3 (5 tests)	Clayey gravel (GC)	Smooth 80 mil LLDPE	1-1/2-inch minus overliner	350	PASS (Appendix K-3)
	Clayey gravel (GC)	Smooth 60 mil LLDPE	1-1/2-inch minus overliner	350	
	1-1/2-inch minus gravel	Smooth 80 mil LLDPE	1-1/2-inch minus overliner	350	
	Clayey gravel (GC)	Smooth 80 mil LLDPE	1-1/2-inch minus overliner	350	
	1-1/2-inch minus gravel	Smooth 100 mil LLDPE	1-1/2-inch minus overliner	350	

**APPENDIX K-1**  
**PROJECT #1 LINER LOAD TESTING**

**K-1-1**

**TEST #1**

## GEOMEMBRANE LINER LOAD TEST SUMMARY

**JOB NAME:** PROJECT #1  
**JOB NUMBER:** NA **BORING NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE:** 2/12/2003 **SAMPLE NUMBER** Liner Load Test  
**DEPTH (ft)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Underliner (Bedding) Source:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Underliner Classification: Clayey gravel with sand GC Atterberg Limits: 33, 15, 18  
 Maximum Dry Density (pcf): 118.8 Optimum Moisture: 13.5

**Overliner Material Source:** Site Supplied  
 Overliner Classification: -2" gravel Atterberg Limits: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dry Density (pcf): 90.3

**Geosynthetic Manufacturer/Supplier:** Site supplied

Liner Type	Ave. Liner Thickness (mls)	Duration of Test (hrs.)	Underliner Compaction %	Moisture %	Load Applied (psi)	Change in total sample height (in)	Test Results	
							Visual	Vacuum
LLDPE Single-sided textured	81.00	24	95	10.25	450	1.262	pass	pass

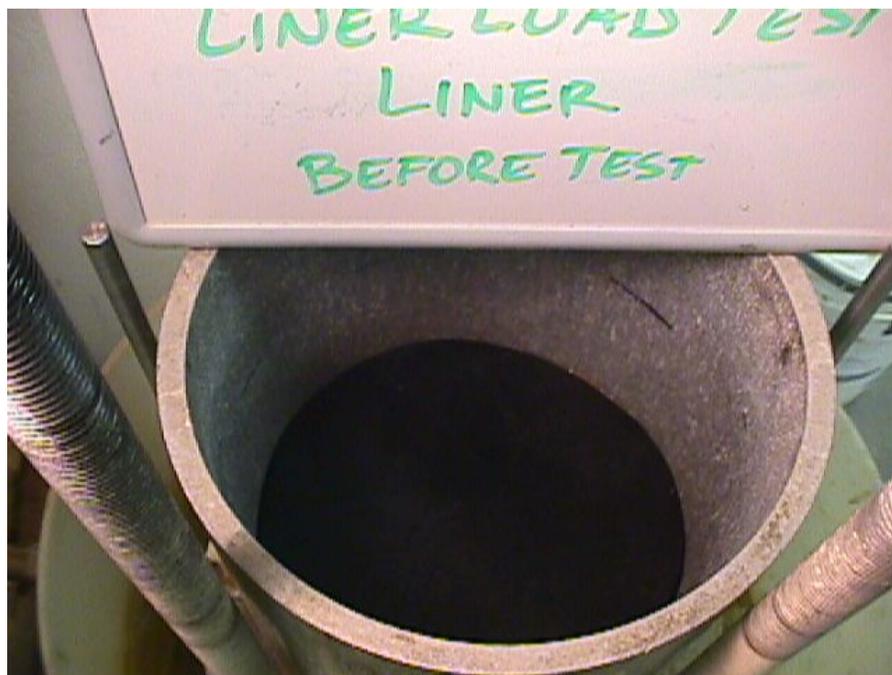
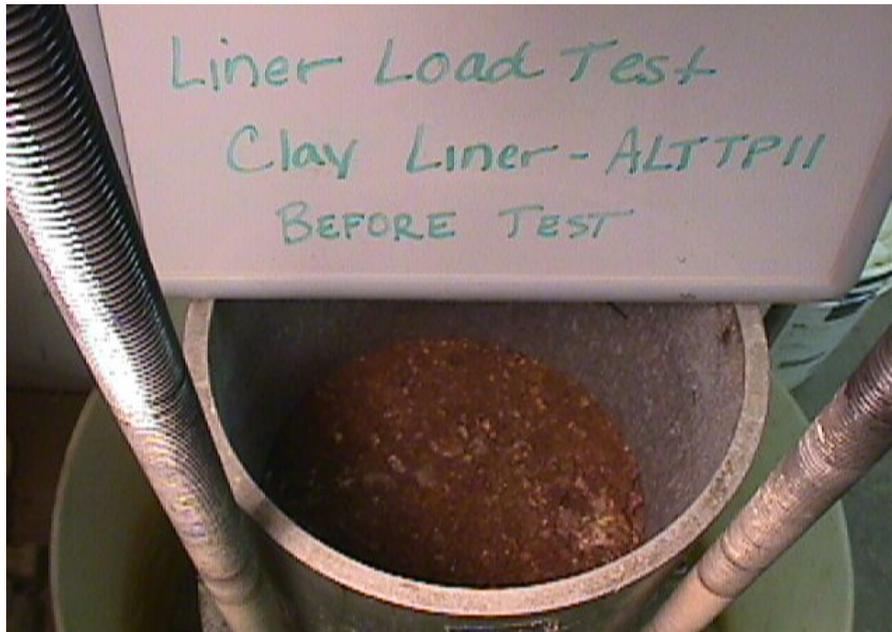
**General Test Notes:** Test was conducted using a 10" diameter cell. The liner was placed on top of 4.0 inches of bedding soil, then covered with 6.3 inches of overliner material. Approximately 10 rocks were hand placed directly on the liner prior to placement of remaining overliner material. A hydraulic jack was used to apply a load of 450 psi to the sample at 50 psi increments. The load was maintained for 24 hours. Dial gages were used to monitor deformation of the sample. At the conclusion of the test, the liner was inspected and tested for punctures both visually and by application of a vacuum. The vacuum pressure was 70 mmHG.

Liner observations: No severe damage. No punctures. One deep dimple noted. Numerous small dimples and scratches.

Clay liner was remolded to 95% of maximum dry density and -3% of optimum moisture. 3% bentonite was added to the clay underliner. Overliner was poured into cell in 4 lifts. It was not compacted between lifts.

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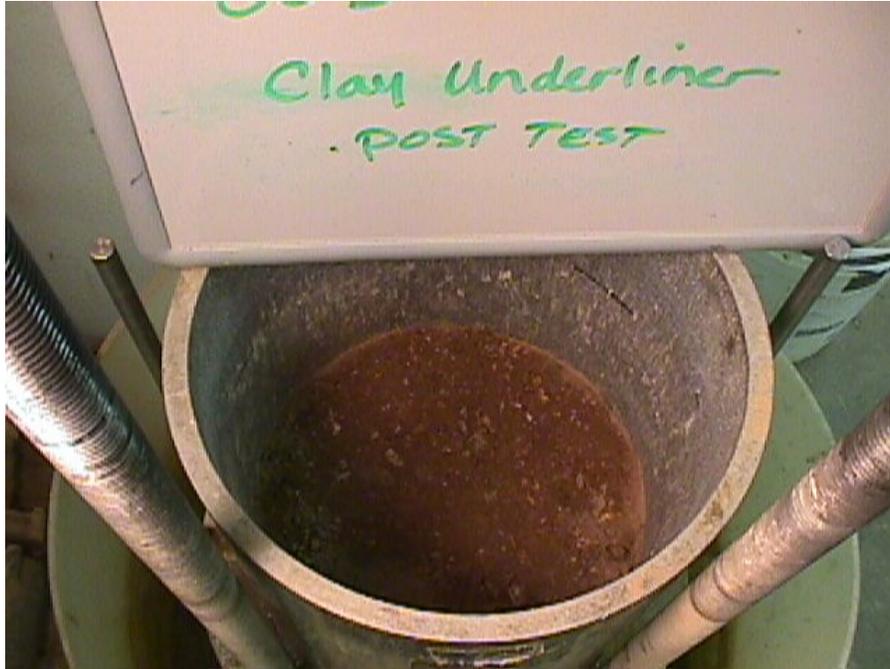




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**TEST #2**

## GEOMEMBRANE LINER LOAD TEST SUMMARY

**JOB NAME:** PROJECT #1  
**JOB NUMBER:** NA **BORING NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE:** 12/31/2002 **SAMPLE NUMBER** Liner Load Test  
**DEPTH (ft)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Underliner (Bedding) Source:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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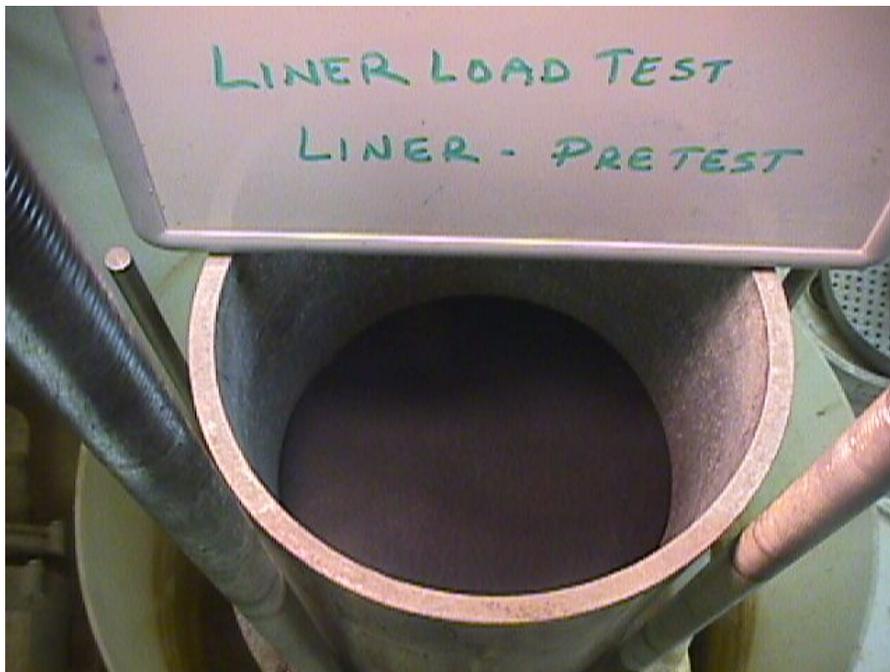
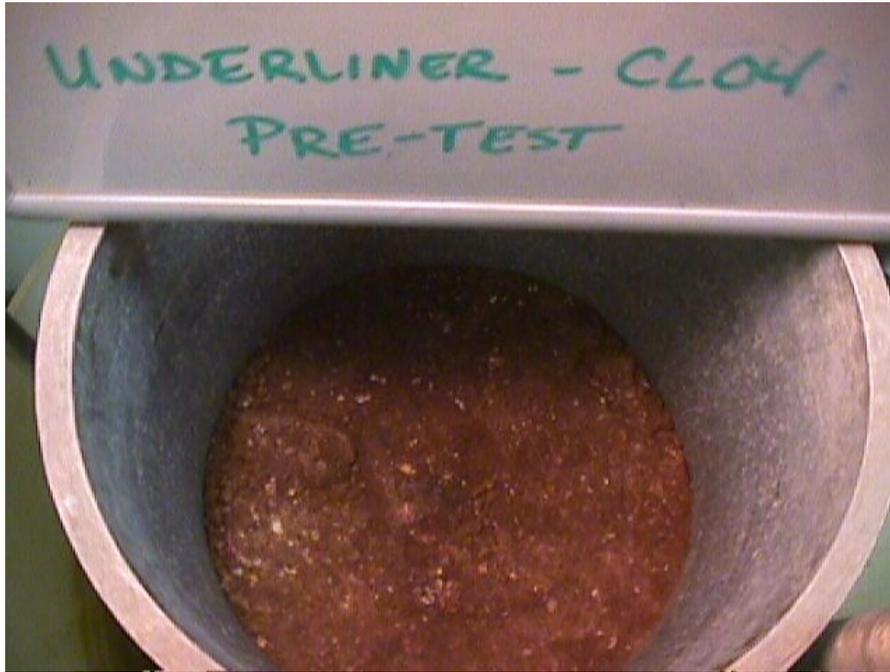
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 Overliner Classification: -2.0" gravel Atterberg Limits: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dry Density (pcf): 90.0

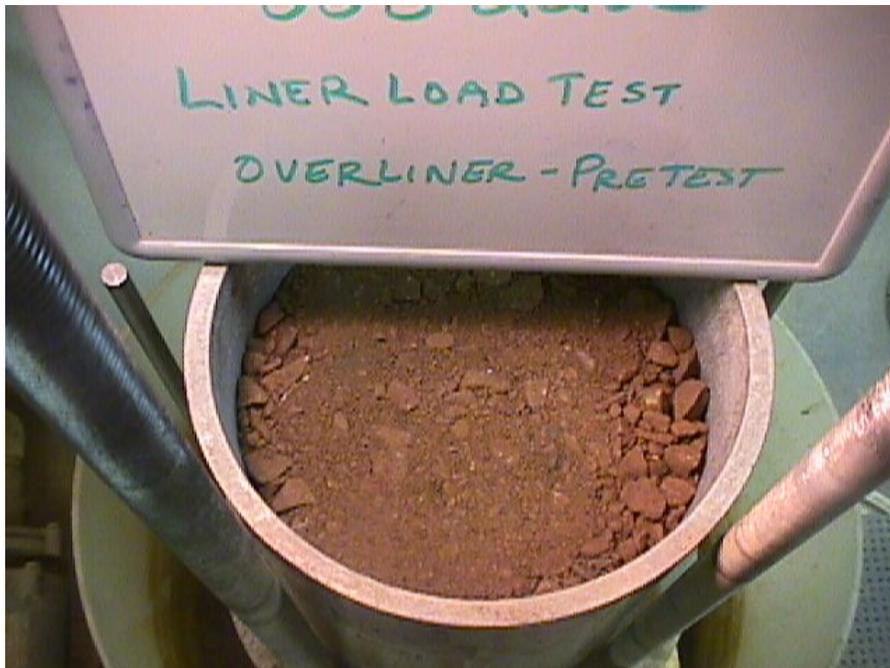
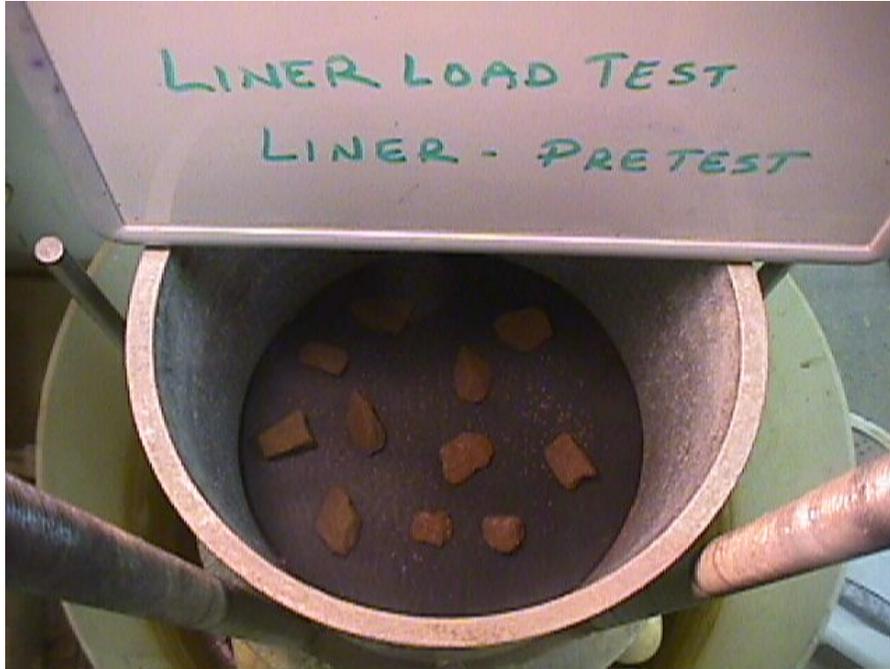
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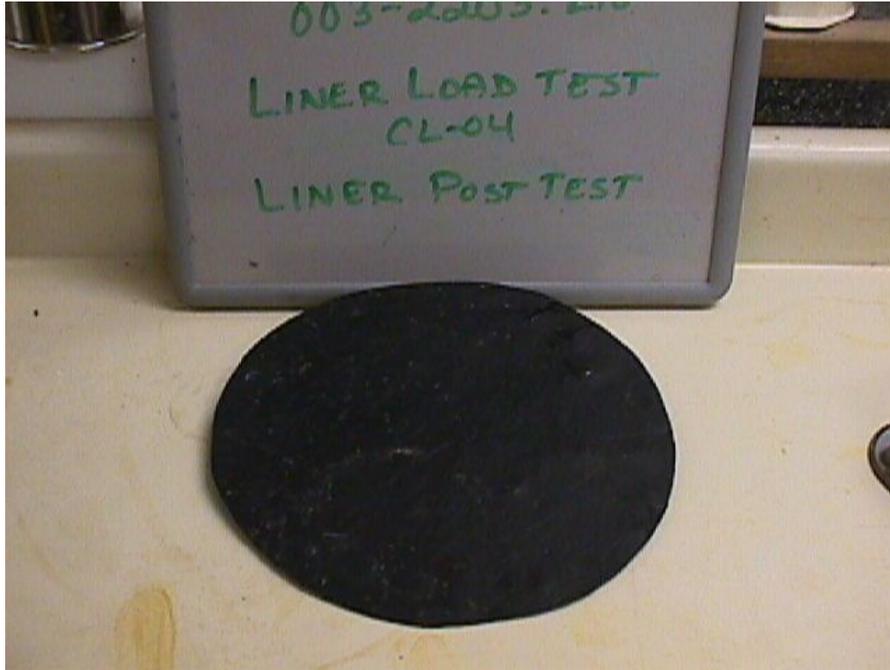
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							Visual	Vacuum
LLDPE Single-sided textured	81.3	24	95	9.9	450	1.540	PASS	PASS

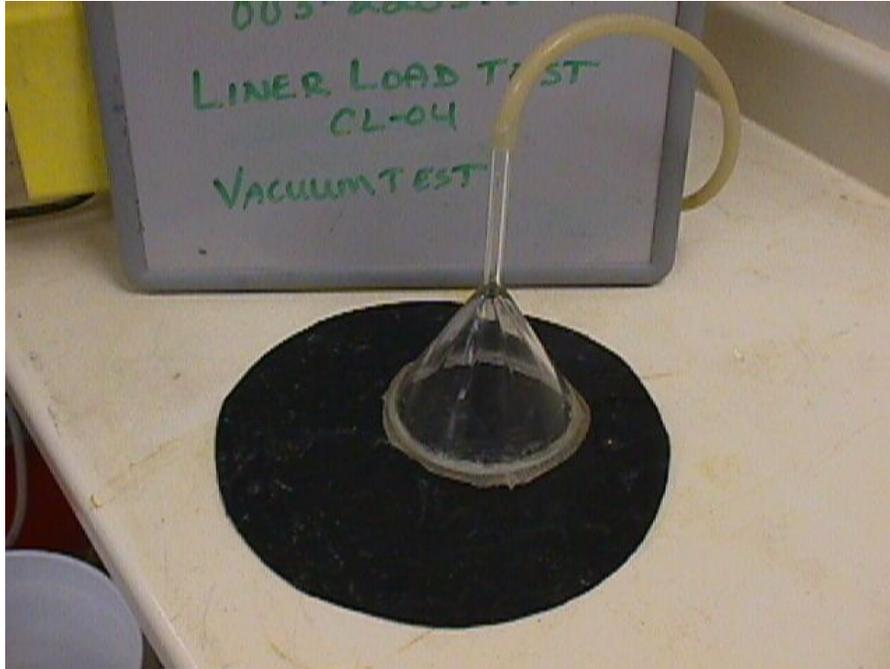
General Test Notes: Test was conducted using a 10" diameter cell. The liner was placed on top of 4.0 inches of bedding soil, then covered with approximately 6.5 inches of overliner material. Approximately 10 rocks were hand placed directly on the liner prior to placement of remaining overliner material. A hydraulic jack was used to apply a load of 450 psi to the sample. The load was maintained for 24 hours. Dial gages were used to monitor deformation of the sample.  
At the conclusion of the test the liner was inspected and tested for punctures both visually and by application of a vacuum. The vacuum pressure was 70 mmHG.  
Liner observations: No severe damage. No punctures. One deep dimple noted. Numerous small dimples and scratches.  
Clay liner was remolded to 95% of maximum dry density and -3% of optimum moisture. Overliner was poured into cell in 4 lifts. It was not compacted between lifts.  
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**TEST #3**

## GEOMEMBRANE LINER LOAD TEST SUMMARY

**JOB NAME:** PROJECT #1  
**JOB NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **BORING NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE:** 2/23/2003 **SAMPLE NUMBER** Liner Load Test  
**DEPTH (ft)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Underliner (Bedding) Source:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Underliner Classification: Clayey sand with gravel SC Atterberg Limits: 31,14,17  
 Maximum Dry Density (pcf): 122.2 Optimum Moisture: 11.5

**Overliner Material Source:** Site Supplied  
 Overliner Classification: -2" gravel Atterberg Limits: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Dry Density (pcf): 87.5

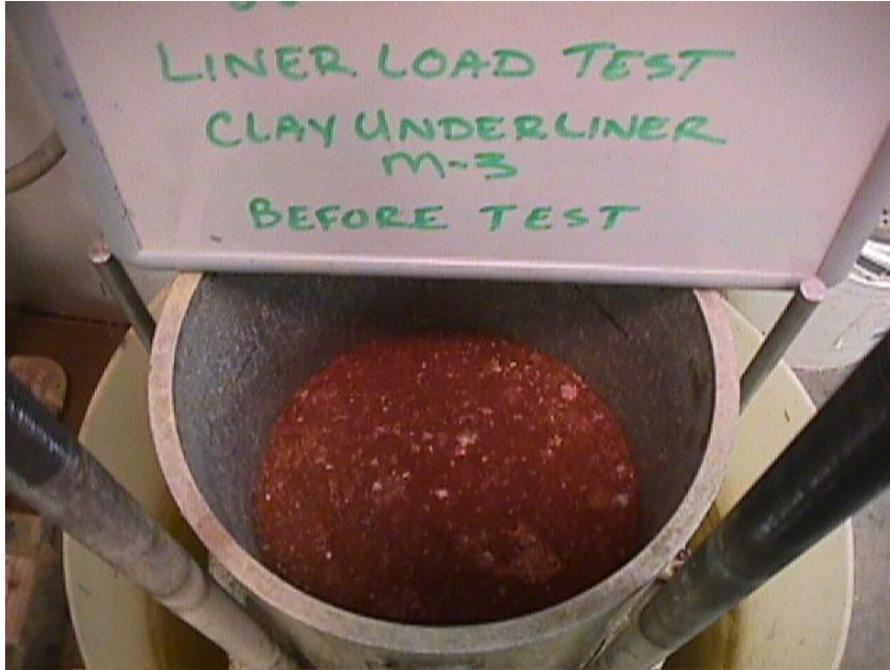
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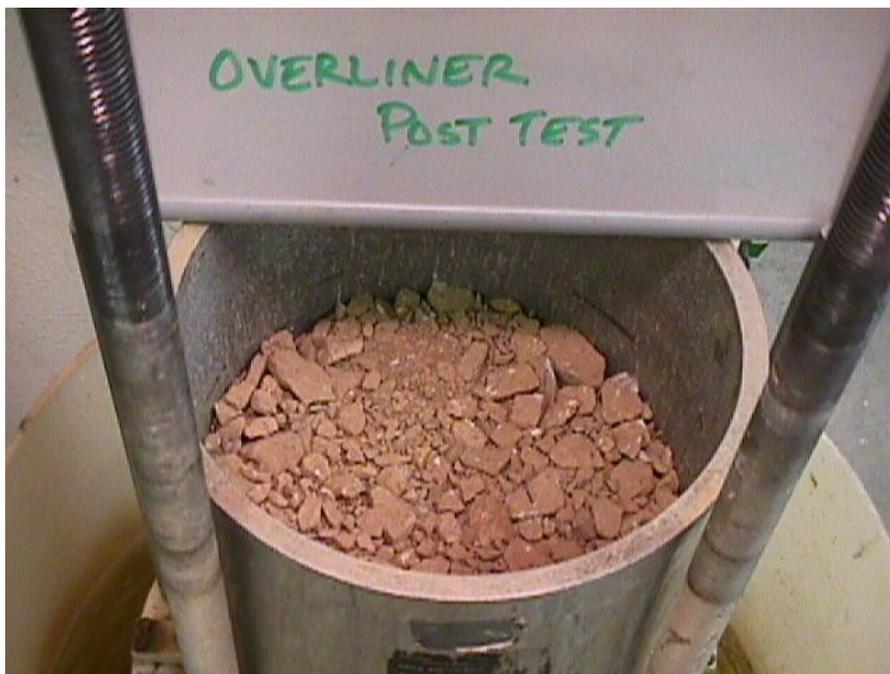
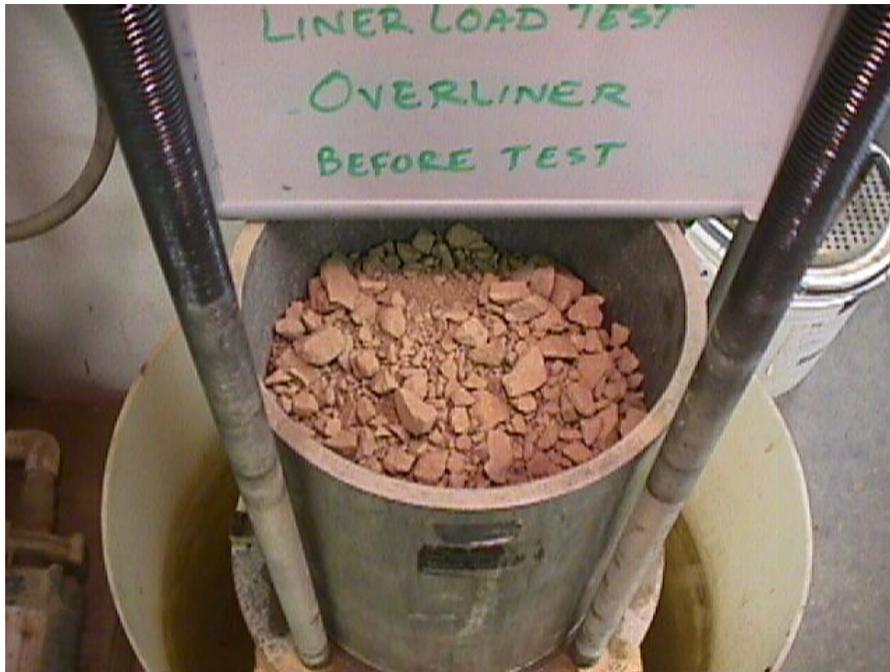
Liner Type	Ave. Liner Thickness (mls)	Duration of Test (hrs.)	Underliner Compaction %	Moisture %	Load Applied (psi)	Change in total sample height (in)	Test Results	
							Visual	Vacuum
LLDPE Single-sided textured	80.83	48	95	9.92	450	1.378	pass	pass

**General Test Notes:** Test was conducted using a 10" diameter cell. The liner was placed on top of 4.0 inches of bedding soil, then covered with 5.0 inches of overliner material. Approximately 10 rocks were hand placed directly on the liner prior to placement of remaining overliner material. A hydraulic jack was used to apply a load of 450 psi to the sample at 50 psi increments. The load was maintained for 48 hours. Dial gages were used to monitor deformation of the sample. At the conclusion of the test, the liner was inspected and tested for punctures both visually and by application of a vacuum. The vacuum pressure was 70 mmHG.  
Liner observations: No severe damage. No punctures. Two deep dimples noted. Numerous small dimples and scratches.  
Clay liner was remolded to 95% of maximum dry density and -3% of optimum moisture. 3% bentonite was added to the clay underliner.  
Overliner was poured into cell in 4 lifts. It was not compacted between lifts.

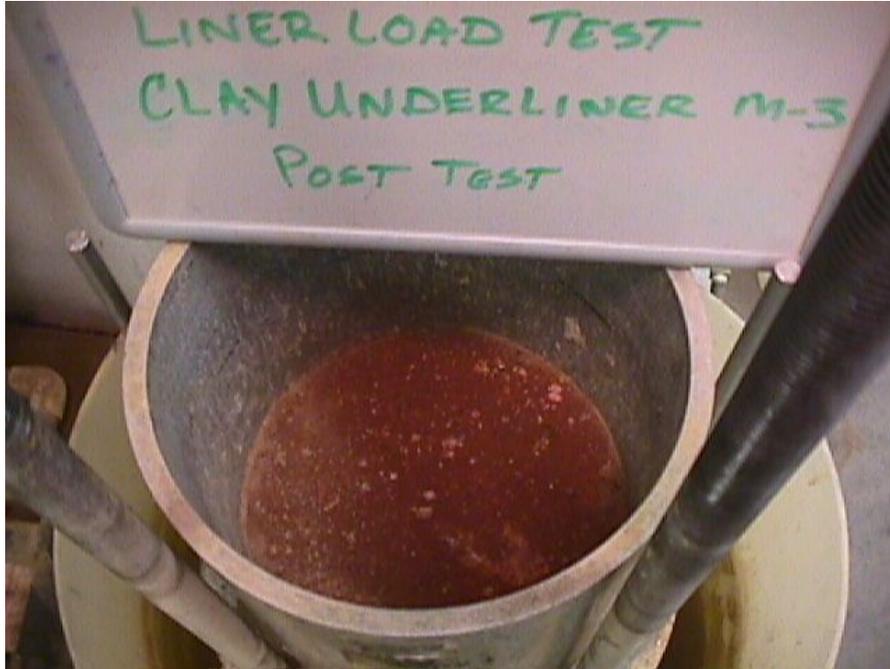
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### Liner Load Testing Photo Log









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**TEST #4**

## GEOMEMBRANE LINER LOAD TEST SUMMARY

**JOB NAME:** PROJECT #1  
**JOB NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **BORING NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE:** 4/12/2004 **SAMPLE NUMBER** 80 mil SST LLDPE Liner  
**DEPTH (ft)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Underliner (Bedding) Source:** Site supplied  
 Underliner Classification: GC Atterberg Limits: LL=39, PL=20, PI=19  
 Maximum Dry Density (pcf): 114.6 Optimum Moisture: 13.1

**Overliner Material Source:** Site supplied  
 Overliner Classification: -- Atterberg Limits: --  
 Dry Density (pcf): 77.4

**Geosynthetic Manufacturer/Supplier:** Site supplied

Liner Type	Ave. Liner Thickness (mls)	Duration of Test (hrs.)	Underliner Compaction %	Moisture %	Load Applied (psi)	Change in total sample height (in)	Test Results	
							Visual	Vacuum
80 mil Smooth/Textured	83.50	53	96.6	12.0	850	3.410	Pass	Pass

**General Test Notes:** Test was conducted using a 12" diameter cell. The liner was placed on top of 4.0 inches of soil liner material, then covered with approximately 9.4 inches of overliner material. Approximately 10-1 rocks were hand placed directly on the liner prior to placement of remaining overliner material. A hydraulic jack was used to apply a load of 850 psi to the sample over a period of 53 hours. The load was maintained for 28 hours. A dial gage was used to monitor deformation of the sample. At the conclusion of the test the liner was inspected and tested for punctures both visually and by application of a vacuum. The vacuum pressure was 70 mmHG.

Liner observations: No severe damage. No punctures. Numerous small dimples and scratches.

Clay liner was remolded to 96.6% of maximum dry density and 1.1% of optimum moisture. Overliner was placed into cell in 4 lifts. It was not compacted between lifts.

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**APPENDIX K-2**  
**PROJECT #2 LINER LOAD TESTING**

**K-2-1**

**TEST #1**

## GEOMEMBRANE LINER LOAD TEST SUMMARY

**JOB NAME:** PROJECT #2  
**JOB NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE:** 4/25/2006

**Underliner (Bedding) Source:** Soil Liner  
**Underliner Classification:** CL Atterberg Limits: LL-33, PL-23, PI-10  
**Maximum Dry Density (pcf):** 97.9 Optimum Moisture: 23.7

**Overliner Material Source:** Ore  
**Overliner Classification:** GP Atterberg Limits: --  
**Dry Density (pcf):** 103.2

**Geosynthetic Manufacturer/Supplier:** GSE

Liner Type	Ave. Liner Thickness (mls)	Duration of Test (hrs.)	Underliner Compaction %	Moisture %	Load Applied (psi)	Change in total sample height (in)	Test Results	
							Visual	Vacuum
LLDPE S/S	80.93	24	95	23.3	175	0.833	PASS	PASS

**General Test Notes:** Test was conducted using a 10" diameter cell. The 80 mil smooth/smooth LLDPE liner was placed on top of 4.0 inches of underliner soil, then covered with approximately 6.9 inches of overliner material. Per specifications, two 1/2" rock protrusions were placed in the underliner soil. Approximately 3 rocks were hand placed with points downward on the liner prior to placement of remaining overliner material. A hydraulic jack was used to apply a load of 175 psi to the sample over a period of 17.3 hours. The load was maintained for 24 hours. Dial gages were used to monitor deformation of the sample. At the conclusion of the test, the liner was inspected and tested for punctures both visually and by application of a vacuum. The vacuum pressure was approximately 450 mmHG.

**Liner observations:** No punctures were present but several dimples and scratches.

**Underliner was remolded to 95.7% of maximum dry density at optimum moisture. Overliner was loosely placed and slightly tamped.**

**Date:** 4/26/06  
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## Liner Load Testing Photo Log

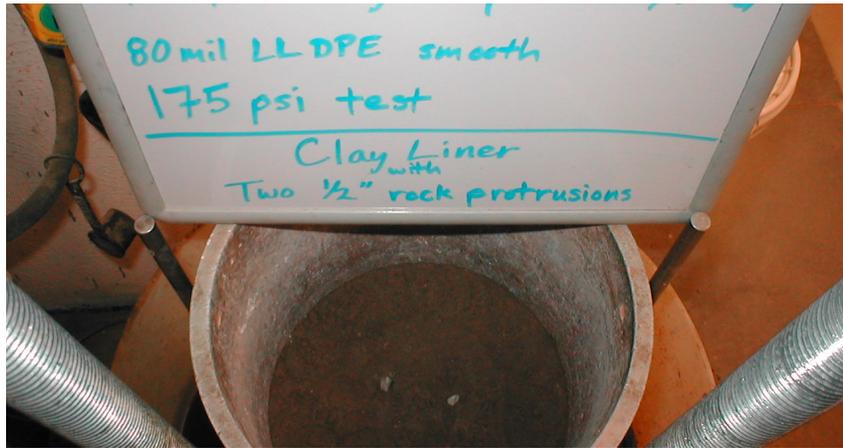


Figure 1 – Clay liner with rock protrusions, pre-test.

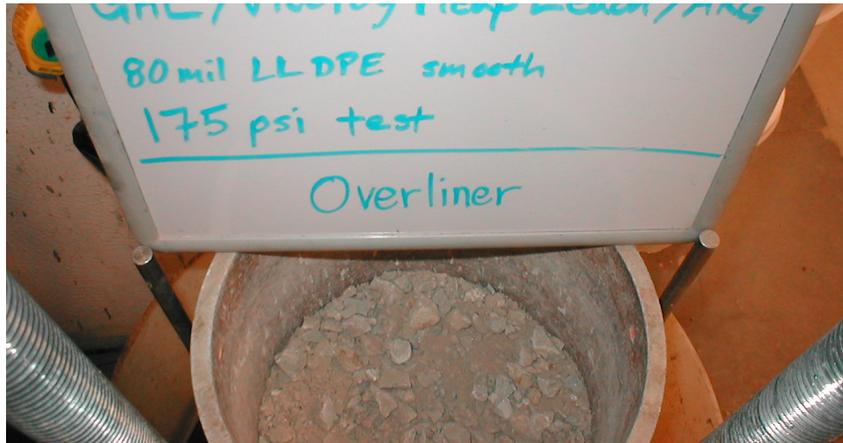


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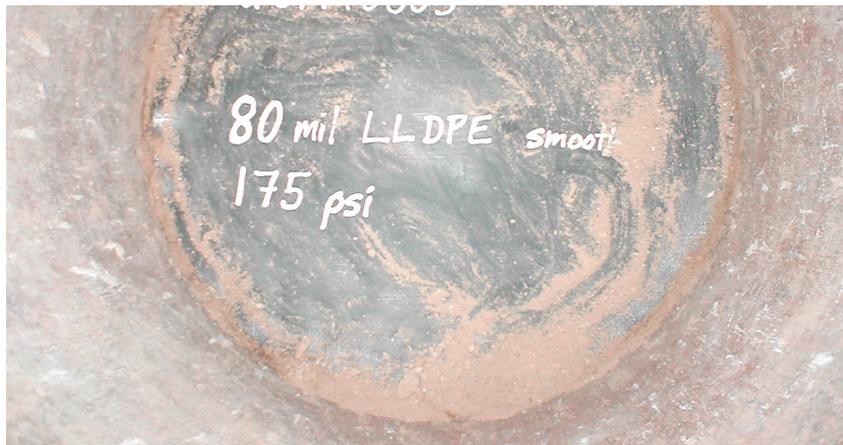


Figure 3 – 2.0 mm LLDPE, post-test.

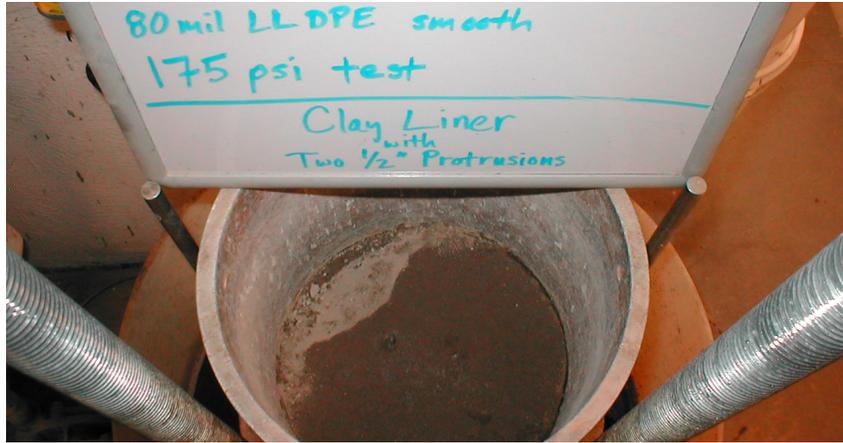


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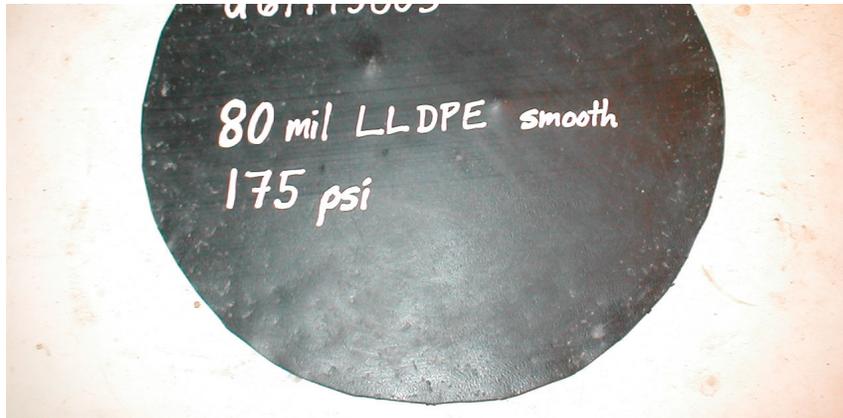


Figure 5 – 2.0 mm LLDPE, visual inspection.

**K-2-2**

**TEST #2**

## GEOMEMBRANE LINER LOAD TEST SUMMARY

**JOB NAME:** PROJECT #2

**JOB NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** 7/5/2006

**Underliner (Bedding) Source:** Soil Liner

Underliner Classification: CL Atterberg Limits: LL-33, PL-23, PI-10

Maximum Dry Density (pcf): 97.9 Optimum Moisture: 23.7

**Overliner Material Source:** Bolsa #1

Overliner Classification: GP Atterberg Limits: --

Dry Density (pcf): 98.2

**Geosynthetic  
Manufacturer/Supplier:** GSE

Liner Type	Ave. Liner Thickness (mls)	Duration of Test (hrs.)	Underliner Compaction %	Moisture %	Load Applied (psi)	Change in total sample height (in)	Test Results	
							Visual	Vacuum
LLDPE S/S	77.83	24	95	24.2	175	0.701	PASS	PASS

General Test Notes: Test was conducted using a 10" diameter cell. The 80 mil smooth/smooth LLDPE liner was placed on top of 3.5 inches of underliner soil, then covered with approximately 6.0 inches of overliner material. Per specifications, two 1/2" rock protrusions were placed in the underliner soil. Approximately 20 rocks were hand placed with points downward on the liner prior to placement of remaining overliner material. A hydraulic jack was used to apply a load of 175 psi to the sample over a period of 17.6 hours. The load was maintained for 24 hours. Dial gages were used to monitor deformation of the sample. At the conclusion of the test, the liner was inspected and tested for punctures both visually and by application of a vacuum. The vacuum pressure was approximately 450 mmHG.

Liner observations: No punctures were present but several dimples and scratches.

Underliner was remolded to 94.7% of maximum dry density at optimum moisture. Overliner was loosely placed and slightly tamped.

**Date:** 7/7/06

**Tech:** MS

**Review:** MB

## Liner Load Testing Photo Log



Figure 1 – Clay liner with rock protrusions, pre-test.

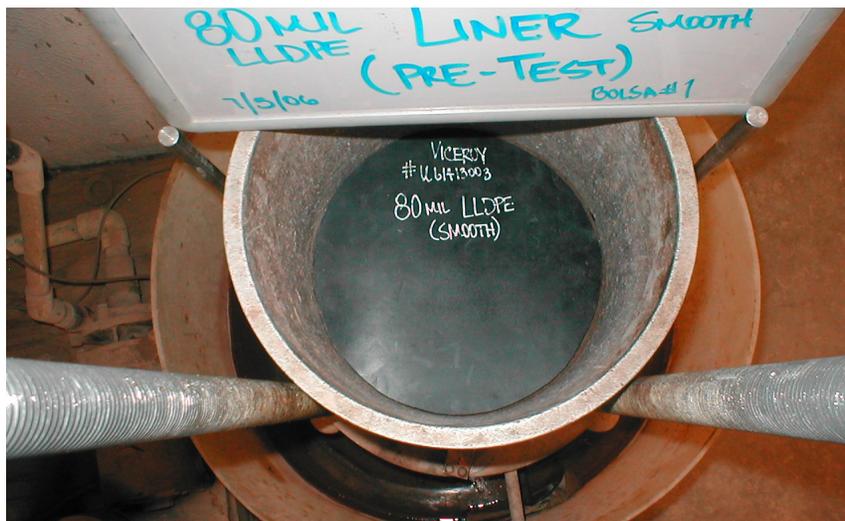


Figure 2 – 2.0 mm LLDPE geomembrane, pre-test.

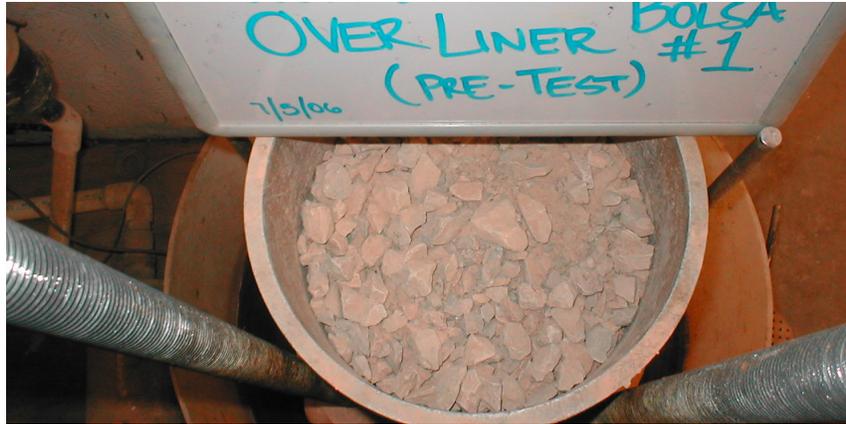


Figure 3 – Overliner (Bolsa #1), pre-test.

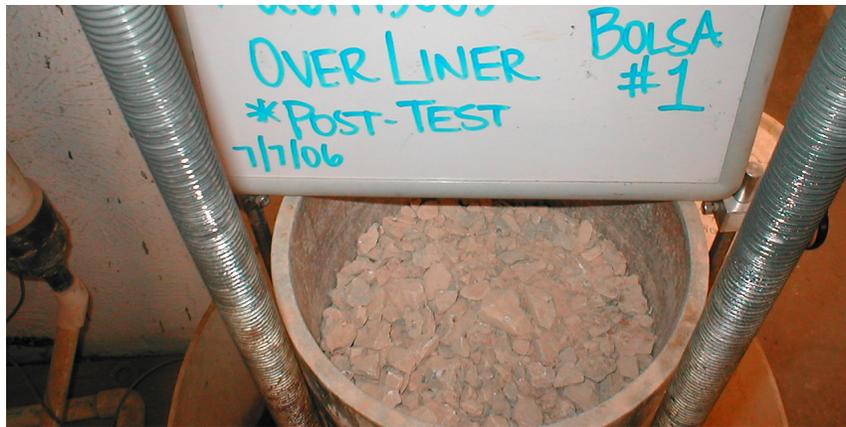


Figure 4 – Overliner (Bolsa #1), post-test.

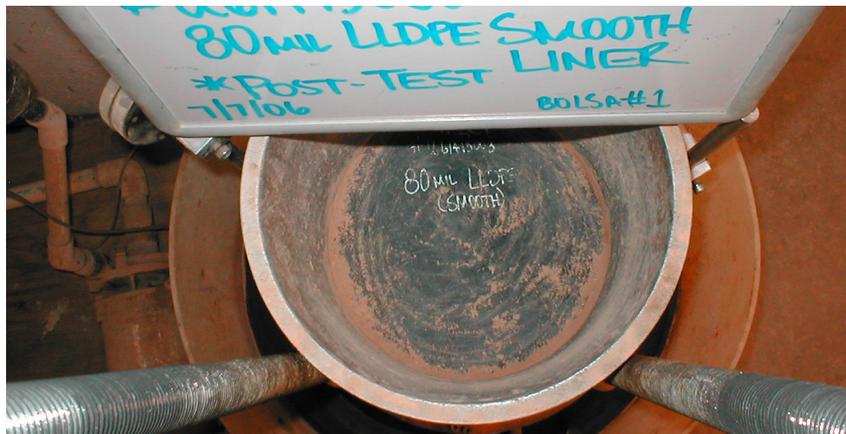


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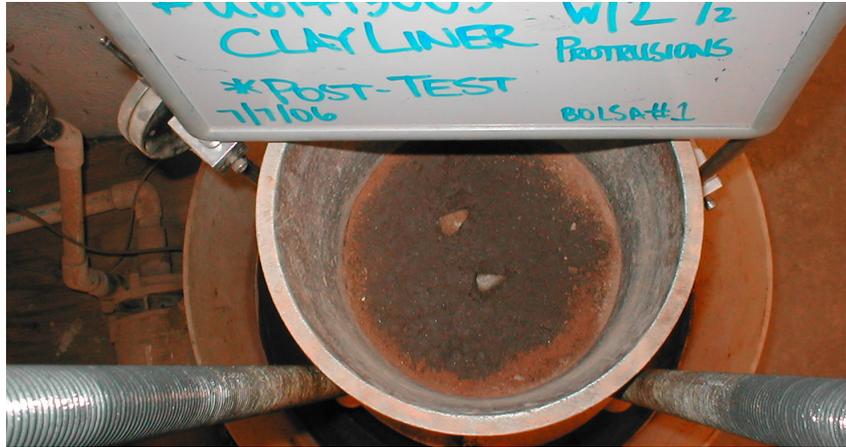


Figure 6 – Clay liner, post-test.



Figure 7 – 2.0 mm LLDPE, visual inspection.

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**TEST #3**

## GEOMEMBRANE LINER LOAD TEST SUMMARY

**JOB NAME:** PROJECT #2

**JOB NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** 7/10/2006

**Underliner (Bedding) Source:** Soil Liner

Underliner Classification: CL Atterberg Limits: LL-33, PL-23, PI-10

Maximum Dry Density (pcf): 97.9 Optimum Moisture: 23.7

**Overliner Material Source:** Bolsa #2

Overliner Classification: GP Atterberg Limits: --

Dry Density (pcf): 94.0

**Geosynthetic  
Manufacturer/Supplier:** GSE

Liner Type	Ave. Liner Thickness (mls)	Duration of Test (hrs.)	Underliner Compaction %	Moisture %	Load Applied (psi)	Change in total sample height (in)	Test Results	
							Visual	Vacuum
LLDPE S/S	80.17	24	95	23.7	175	0.566	PASS	PASS

General Test Notes: Test was conducted using a 10" diameter cell. The 80 mil smooth/smooth LLDPE liner was placed on top of 3.5 inches of underliner soil, then covered with approximately 6.2 inches of overliner material. Per specifications, two 1/2" rock protrusions were placed in the underliner soil. Approximately 15 rocks were hand placed with points downward on the liner prior to placement of remaining overliner material. A hydraulic jack was used to apply a load of 175 psi to the sample over a period of 18.3 hours. The load was maintained for 24 hours. Dial gages were used to monitor deformation of the sample. At the conclusion of the test, the liner was inspected and tested for punctures both visually and by application of a vacuum. The vacuum pressure was approximately 450 mmHG.

Liner observations: No punctures were present but several dimples and scratches.

Underliner was remolded to 95.1% of maximum dry density at optimum moisture. Overliner was loosely placed and slightly tamped.

**Date:** 7/12/06

**Tech:** MS

**Review:** MB

## Liner Load Testing Photo Log



Figure 1 – Clay liner with rock protrusions, pre-test.

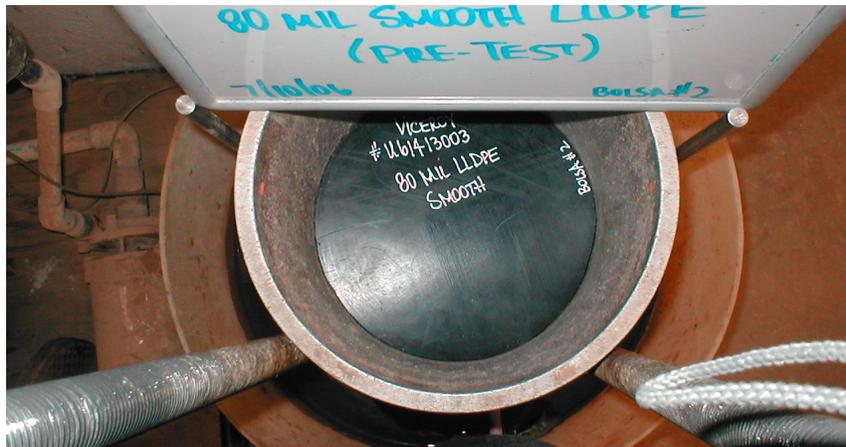
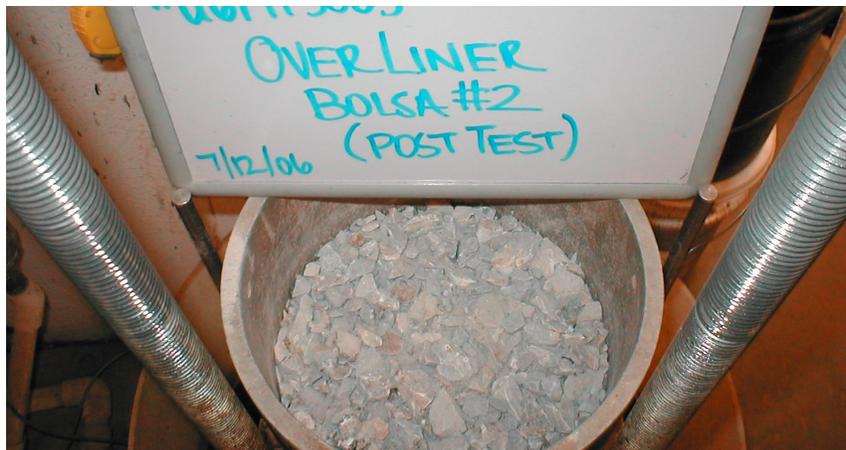


Figure 2 – 2.0 mm LLDPE geomembrane, pre-test.



**Figure 3 – Overliner (Bolsa #2), pre-test.**



**Figure 4 – Overliner (Bolsa #2), post-test.**

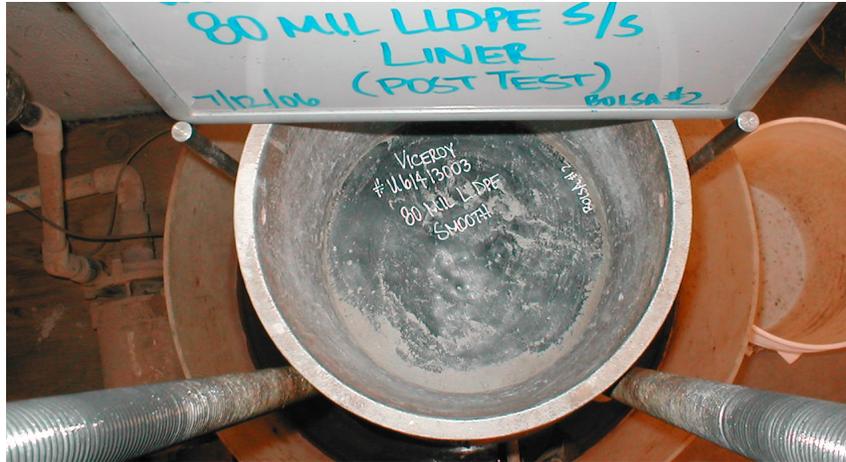


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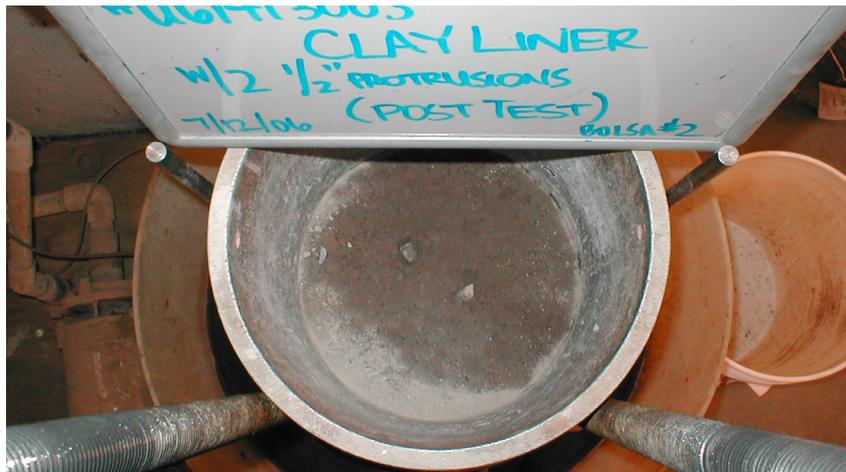


Figure 6 – Clay liner, post-test.



Figure 7 – 2.0 mm LLDPE, visual inspection.

**APPENDIX K-3**  
**PROJECT #3 LINER LOAD TESTING**

PROJECT #3

LINER LOAD TESTING

	MOISTURE %	DENSITY pcf	RESULT	Starting Sample Height (in)	CHANGE IN HEIGHT (in)			Final Sample Height (in)
					50 psi	150 psi	350 psi	
<b>Test #1</b>								
4.0 inches Liner Bedding Soil - GA1-TP-30 80-mil LLDPE geomembrane	8.9	123.0	<b>PASS</b>	10.785	0.173	0.492	0.789	9.996
6.5 inches (14997.0g) Drain Cover Fill -1 1/2"	0.1							
<b>Test #2</b>								
4.0 inches of Liner Bedding Soil - GA-1-TP-33 60-mil LLDPE geomembrane	10.6	120.3	<b>PASS</b>	11.396	0.385	0.716	1.120	10.278
4.0 inches (7863.8 g) Drain Cover Fill -1 1/2" 80-mil LLDPE geomembrane	0.1							
3.5 inches (7182g) Drain Cover Fill -1 1/2"	0.1		<b>PASS</b>					
<b>Test #3</b>								
4 inches of Liner Bedding Soil - GA-1-TP-33 80-mil LLDPE geomembrane	10.8	120.2	<b>PASS</b>	11.595	0.229	0.549	0.939	10.656
4.5 inches (9535.3 g) Drain Cover Fill -1 1/2" 100-mil LLDPE geomembrane	0.1							
3.0 inches (6367.1g) Drain Cover Fill -1 1/2"	0.1		<b>PASS</b>					

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**TEST #1**

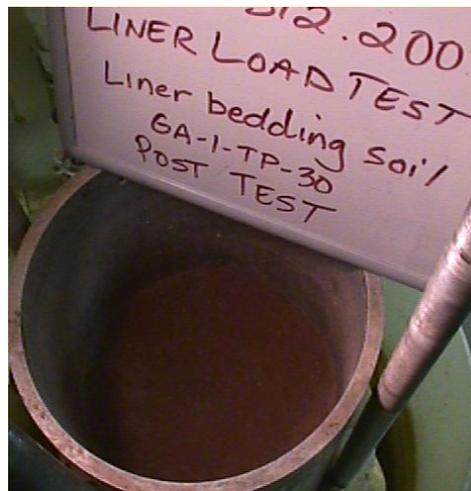
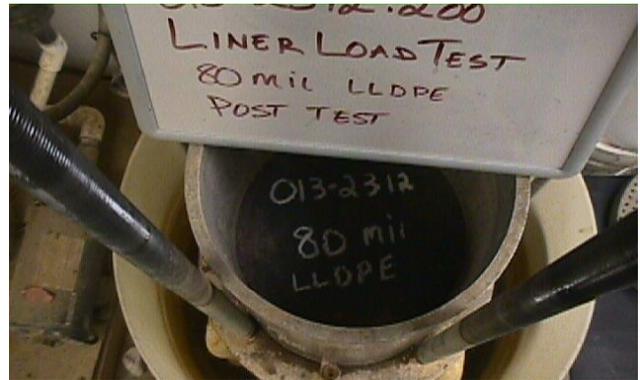
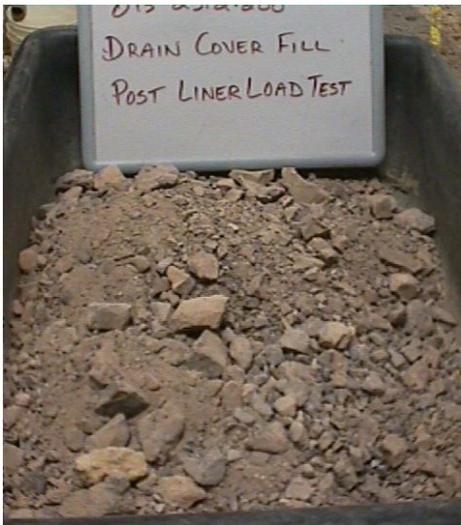
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## Load Testing

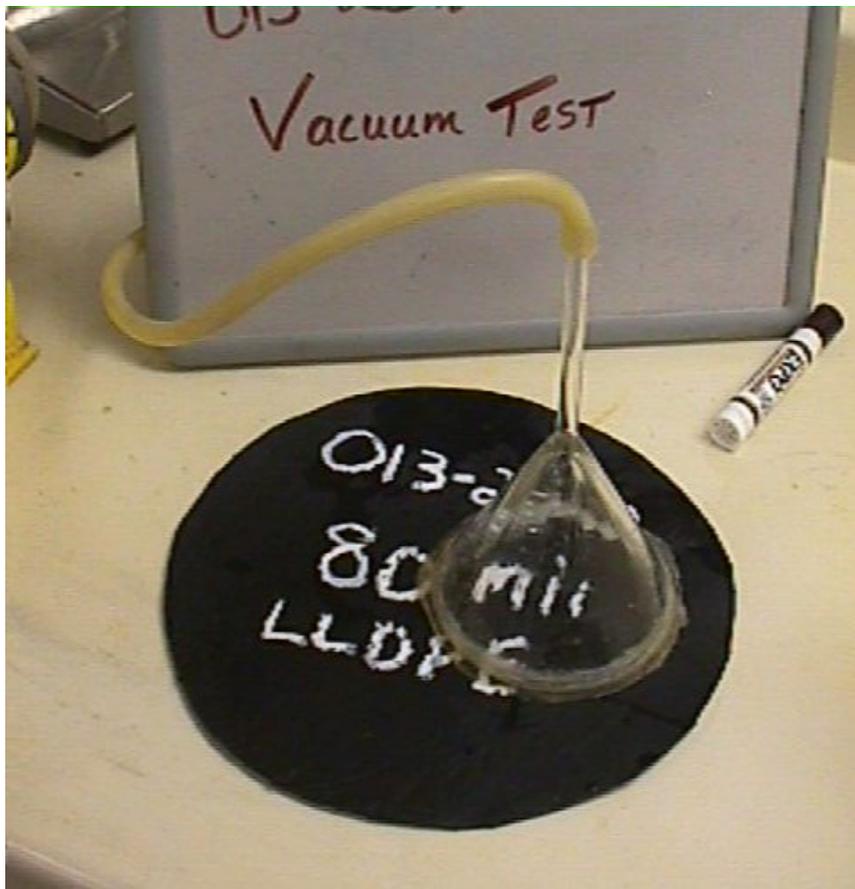


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# Liner Load Test #1 Post-Test



# Liner Load Test #1 Vacuum Testing



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**TEST #2**

# Liner Load Test #2

## Sample Set-Up



# Liner Load Test #2

## Load Testing

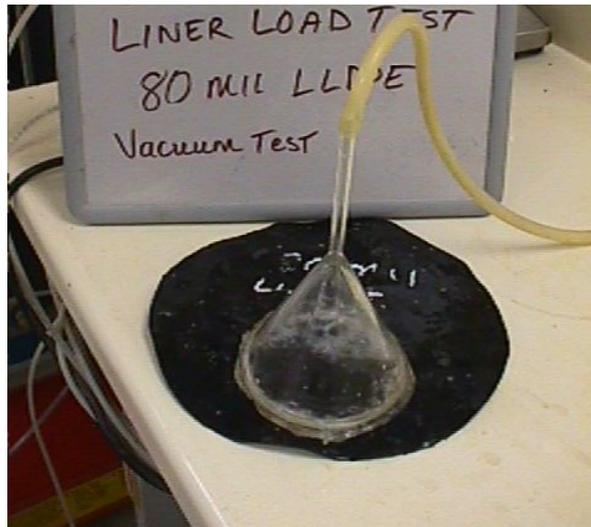


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# Liner Load Test #2 Post-Test



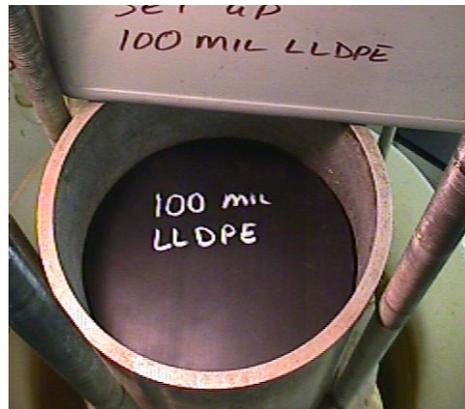
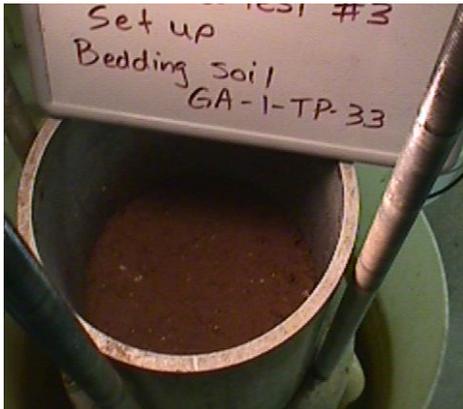
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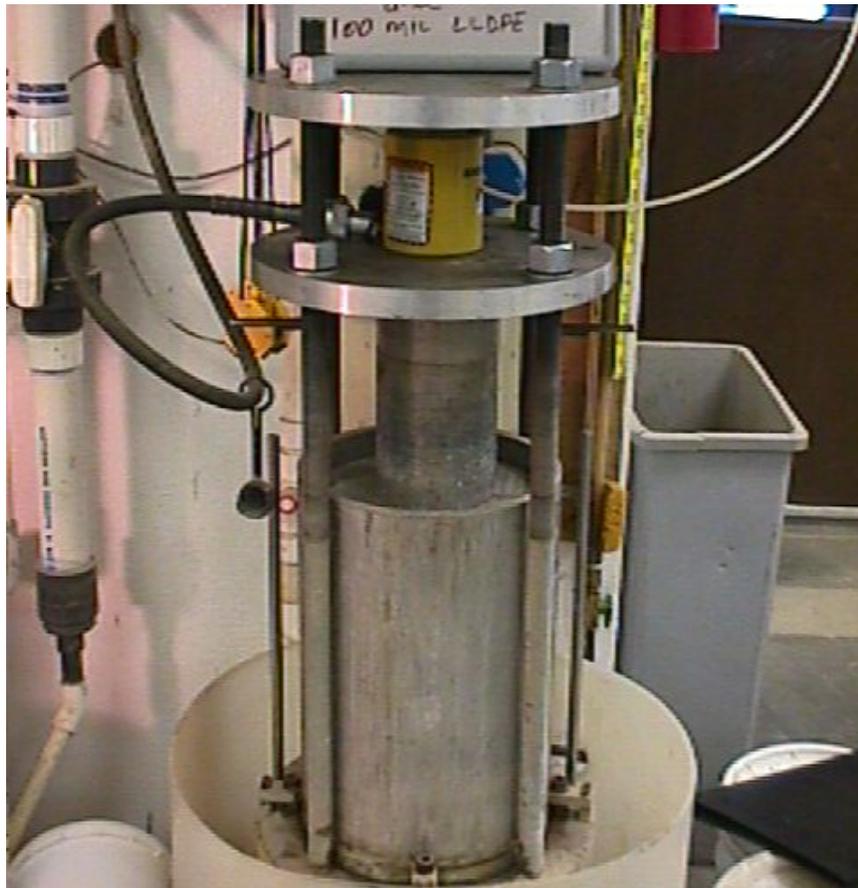
**TEST #3**

# Liner Load Test #3 Sample Set-Up



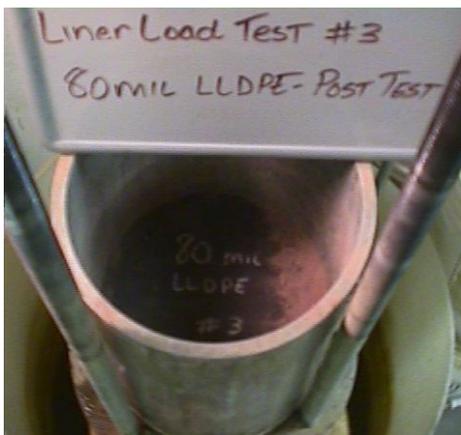
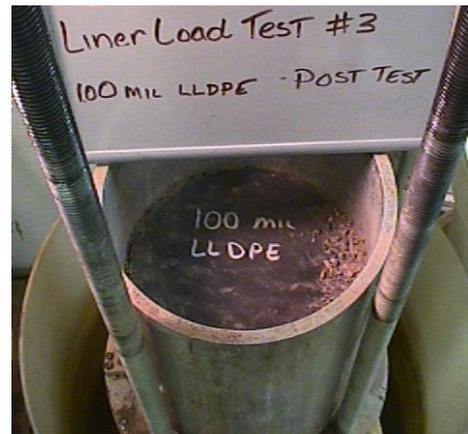
# Liner Load Test #3

## Load Testing



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# Liner Load Test #3 Post-Test



# Liner Load Test #3

## Vacuum Testing

