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# GEOTECHNICAL SITE INVESTIGATION LOCKWOOD MEADOWS SUBDIVISION LA CENTER, WASHINGTON

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Columbia West Engineering, Inc. (Columbia West) was retained by PLS Engineering to conduct a geotechnical site investigation for the proposed Lockwood Meadows Subdivision project located in La Center, Washington. The purpose of the investigation was to observe and assess subsurface soil conditions at specific locations and provide geotechnical engineering analyses, planning, and design recommendations for proposed development. The specific scope of services was outlined in a proposal contract dated July 12, 2021. This report summarizes the investigation and provides field assessment documentation and laboratory analytical test reports. This report is subject to the limitations expressed in Section 7.0, *Conclusion and Limitations*, and Appendix E.

### 1.1 General Site Information

As indicated on Figures 1, 2 and 2A, the subject site is located at 2000 NE Lockwood Creek Road in La Center, Washington. The site is comprised of tax parcel number 209113000 totaling approximately 20 acres. The approximate latitude and longitude are N 45° 51' 42" and W 122° 38' 55", and the legal description is a portion of the NE ¼ of Section 02, T4N, R1E, Willamette Meridian. The current regulatory jurisdictional agency is the City of La Center.

### 1.2 Proposed Development

Correspondence with the design team and review of the preliminary site plan shown on Figure 2A indicates that proposed development at the Lockwood Meadows Subdivision includes the division of the referenced parcel into 71 new single-family residential lots, private asphalt access drives, public asphalt roadways, underground utilities, and stormwater facilities. Columbia West has not reviewed preliminary grading plans but understands that cut and fill may be proposed at the subject site. This report is based upon proposed development as described above and may not be applicable if modified.

## 2.0 REGIONAL GEOLOGY AND SOIL CONDITIONS

The subject site lies within the Willamette Valley/Puget Sound Lowland, a wide physiographic depression flanked by the mountainous Coast Range on the west and the Cascade Range on the east. Inclined or uplifted structural zones within the Willamette Valley/Puget Sound Lowland constitute highland areas and depressed structural zones form sediment-filled basins. The site is located in the northern portion of the Portland/Vancouver Basin, an open, somewhat elliptical, northwest-trending syncline approximately 60 miles wide.

According to the *Geologic Map of the Ridgefield Quadrangle, Clark and Cowlitz Counties, Washington* (Russell C. Evarts, USGS Geological Survey Scientific Investigation Map 2844,

2004), near-surface soils are expected to consist of Pleistocene-aged, unconsolidated, rhythmically bedded, periglacial clay, silt, and fine- to medium-textured sand deposits derived from catastrophic outburst floods of Glacial Lake Missoula (Qfs). Fine-textured flood deposits are underlain by Pleistocene to Pliocene, unconsolidated to cemented, deeply weathered, pebble to boulder sedimentary conglomerate (QTc).

The Web Soil Survey (United States Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation Service [USDA NRCS], 2021 Website) identifies surface soils as Gee silt loam, Odne silt loam, and Hillsboro silt loam. Although soil conditions may vary from the broad USDA descriptions, Gee, Odne, and Hillsboro series soils are generally fine-textured clays and silts with very low permeability, moderate to high water capacity, and low shear strength. Gee, Odne, and Hillsboro soils are generally moisture sensitive, somewhat compressible, and described as having low to moderate shrink-swell potential. The erosion hazard is slight primarily based upon slope grade.

### **3.0 REGIONAL SEISMOLOGY**

Recent research and subsurface mapping investigations within the Pacific Northwest appear to suggest the historic potential risk for a large earthquake event with strong localized ground movement may be underestimated. Past earthquakes in the Pacific Northwest appear to have caused landslides and ground subsidence, in addition to severe flooding near coastal areas. Earthquakes may also induce soil liquefaction, which occurs when elevated horizontal ground acceleration and velocity cause soil particles to interact as a fluid as opposed to a solid. Liquefaction of soil can result in lateral spreading and temporary loss of bearing capacity and shear strength.

There are at least four major known fault zones in the vicinity of the site that may be capable of generating potentially destructive horizontal accelerations. These fault zones are described briefly in the following text.

#### Portland Hills Fault Zone

The Portland Hills Fault Zone consists of several northwest-trending faults located along the northeastern margin of the Tualatin Mountains, also known as the Portland Hills, and the southwest margin of the Portland Basin. The fault zone is approximately 25 to 30 miles in length and is located approximately 17 miles southwest of the site. According to *Seismic Design Mapping, State of Oregon* (Geomatrix Consultants, 1995), there is no definitive consensus among geologists as to the zone fault type. Several alternate interpretations have been suggested.

According to the *USGS Earthquake Hazards Program*, the fault was originally mapped as a down-to-the-northeast normal fault but has also been mapped as part of a regional-scale zone of right-lateral, oblique slip faults, and as a steep escarpment caused by asymmetrical folding above a south-west dipping, blind thrust fault. The Portland Hills fault offsets Miocene Columbia River Basalts, and Miocene to Pliocene sedimentary rocks of the Troutdale Formation. No fault scarps on surficial Quaternary deposits have been described

along the fault trace, and the fault is mapped as buried by the Pleistocene-aged Missoula flood deposits.

However, evidence suggests that fault movement has impacted shallow Holocene deposits and deeper Pleistocene sediments. Seismologists recorded a M3.2 earthquake thought to be associated with the fault zone near Kelly Point Park in November 2012, a M3.9 earthquake thought to be associated with the fault zone near Kelly Point Park in April 2003, and a M3.5 earthquake possibly associated with the fault zone approximately 1.3 miles east of the fault in 1991. Therefore, the Portland Hills Fault Zone is generally thought to be potentially active and capable of producing possible damaging earthquakes.

#### Gales Creek-Newberg-Mt. Angel Fault Zone

Located approximately 33 miles southwest of the site, the northwest-striking, approximately 50-mile long Gales Creek-Newberg-Mt. Angel Structural Zone forms the northwestern boundary between the Oregon Coast Range and the Willamette Valley, and consists of a series of discontinuous northwest-trending faults. The southern end of the fault zone forms the southwest margin of the Tualatin basin. Possible late-Quaternary geomorphic surface deformation may exist along the structural zone (Geomatrix Consultants, 1995).

According to the *USGS Earthquake Hazards Program*, the Mount Angel fault is mapped as a high-angle, reverse-oblique fault, which offsets Miocene rocks of the Columbia River Basalts, and Miocene and Pliocene sedimentary rocks. The fault appears to have controlled emplacement of the Frenchman Spring Member of the Wanapum Basalts, and thus must have a history that predates the Miocene age of these rocks. No unequivocal evidence of deformation of Quaternary deposits has been described as a thick sequence of sediments deposited by the Missoula floods covers much of the southern part of the fault trace.

Although no definitive evidence of impacts to Holocene sediments have clearly been identified, the Mount Angel fault appears to have been the location of minor earthquake swarms in 1990 near Woodburn, Oregon, and a M5.6 earthquake in March 1993 near Scotts Mills, approximately four miles south of the mapped extent of the Mt. Angel fault. It is unclear if the earthquake occurred along the fault zone or a parallel structure. Therefore, the Gales Creek-Newberg-Mt. Angel Structural Zone is considered potentially active.

#### Lacamas Lake-Sandy River Fault Zone

The northwest-trending Lacamas Lake Fault and northeast-trending Sandy River Fault intersect north of Camas, Washington approximately 21 miles southeast of the site, and form part of the northeastern margin of the Portland basin. According to *Geology and Groundwater Conditions of Clark County Washington* (USGS Water Supply Paper 1600, Mundorff, 1964) and the *Geologic Map of the Lake Oswego Quadrangle* (Oregon DOGAMI Series GMS-59, 1989), the Lacamas Lake fault zone consists of shear contact between the Troutdale Formation and underlying Oligocene andesite-basalt bedrock. Secondary shear contact associated with the fault zone may have produced a series of prominent northwest-southeast geomorphic lineaments in proximity to the site.



According to the *USGS Earthquake Hazards Program* the fault has been mapped as a normal fault with down-to-the-southwest displacement and has also been described as a steeply northeast or southwest-dipping, oblique, right-lateral, slip-fault. The trace of the Lacamas Lake fault is marked by the very linear lower reach of Lacamas Creek. No fault scarps on Quaternary surficial deposits have been described. The Lacamas Lake fault offsets Pliocene-aged sedimentary conglomerates generally identified as the Troutdale formation, and Pliocene- to Pleistocene-aged basalts generally identified as the Boring Lava formation.

Recent seismic reflection data across the probable trace of the fault under the Columbia River yielded no unequivocal evidence of displacement underlying the Missoula flood deposits, however, recorded mild seismic activity during the recent past indicates this area may be potentially seismogenic.

#### Cascadia Subduction Zone

The Cascadia Subduction Zone has recently been recognized as a potential source of strong earthquake activity in the Portland/Vancouver Basin. This phenomenon is the result of the earth's large tectonic plate movement. Geologic evidence indicates that volcanic ocean floor activity along the Juan de Fuca ridge in the Pacific Ocean causes the Juan de Fuca Plate to perpetually move east and subduct under the North American Continental Plate. The subduction zone results in historic volcanic and potential earthquake activity in proximity to the plate interface, believed to lie approximately 20 to 50 miles west of the general location of the Oregon and Washington coast (Geomatrix Consultants, 1995).

## **4.0 GEOTECHNICAL AND GEOLOGIC FIELD INVESTIGATION**

A geotechnical field investigation consisting of visual reconnaissance, nine test pits (TP-1 through TP-8 and STP-1) and two infiltration tests (IT-1 and IT-2) was conducted at the site on July 27, 2021. The test pits were explored with a track-mounted excavator. Subsurface soil profiles were logged in accordance with Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) specifications. Disturbed soil samples were collected from relevant soil horizons and submitted for laboratory analysis. Analytical laboratory test results are presented in Appendix A. Exploration locations are indicated on Figure 2. Subsurface exploration logs are presented in Appendix B. Soil descriptions and classification information are provided in Appendix C. A photo log is presented in Appendix D.

### **4.1 Surface Investigation and Site Description**

The subject site is located at 2000 NE Lockwood Creek Road in La Center, Washington and is comprised of tax parcel 209113000, totaling approximately 20 acres. Site observations during exploration indicate the west half of the site is generally open and vegetated with grass and brush. An existing residence and appurtenant farm structures are located in the southwest area of the site. Surface water and hydrophytic vegetation were observed in lowland areas proposed for stormwater management at the approximate south-center of the site. Rows of young conifers occupying approximately 6 to 7 acres were observed on the eastern half of the property. An approximate one to- three-foot earth berm was observed at

the northern property boundary on the eastern half of the site. Berm material may be associated with development of Sunrise Terrace residential subdivision directly north of the subject site. The site is bounded by NE Lockwood Creek Road to the south, NE 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue to the east, and the Sunrise Terrace residential subdivision to the north and west. Field reconnaissance and review of site topographic mapping indicate the presence of south- and southwest-facing slopes with grades between 5 and 25 percent. Site elevations in the proposed development area range from 150 feet amsl at the southwest property corner to 250 feet amsl at the northeast property corner. Slope geometry and geomorphic features are discussed in greater detail in Section 5.2.2, *Slope Reconnaissance and Slope Stability Assessment*.

## **4.2 Subsurface Exploration and Investigation**

Test pits were explored to a maximum depth of approximately 14 feet below ground surface (bgs). Exploration locations were selected to observe subsurface soil characteristics in proximity to proposed development areas and are indicated on Figure 2.

### **4.2.1 Soil Type Description**

The field investigation indicated the presence of approximately 8 to 14 inches of sod and topsoil in the observed locations. Underlying the topsoil layer, subsurface soils resembling geologically mapped unconsolidated to compact glacial till (Qat) and native USDA Gee, Odne and Hillsboro soil series description were encountered. Subsurface lithology may generally be described by soil types identified in the following text. Field logs and observed stratigraphy for the encountered materials are presented in Appendix B, *Subsurface Exploration Logs*.

#### **Soil Type 1 - Existing FILL**

Soil Type 1 was observed to primarily consist of light brown to brown/gray, moist, apparent native soils and trace organic debris. Soil Type 1 was observed at the ground surface in STP-1 and along the northern property boundary on the eastern half of the site, extending to apparent depths of approximately one to- three feet bgs.

#### **Soil Type 2 - SILT with Sand / Sandy SILT**

Soil Type 2 was observed to consist of light brown to brown/gray, damp to moist, SILT with sand and sandy SILT. Soil Type 2 was observed below the topsoil layer in test pits TP-1 through TP-7 and extended to observed depths of approximately 7 to 14 feet bgs.

#### **Soil Type 3 - Lean CLAY with Sand**

Soil Type 3 was observed to primarily consist of brown and gray, moist, lean CLAY with sand. Soil Type 3 was observed below the topsoil layer in test pit TP-8, below Soil Type 2 in test pits TP-3 through TP-6, and interbedded in Soil Type 2 in test pit TP-7. Soil Type 3 extended to depths of approximately 13 to 14 feet bgs in the areas observed.

Soil Type 4 - Fat CLAY

Soil Type 4 was observed to primarily consist of brown and gray, moist, fat CLAY. Soil Type 4 was observed below Soil Type 3 in test pits TP-5 and TP-6 and extended to the maximum depths of exploration.

**4.2.2 Groundwater**

Groundwater was not encountered within test pit explorations to a maximum explored depth of approximately 14 feet bgs on July 27, 2021. Groundwater levels are often subject to seasonal variance and may rise during extended periods of increased precipitation or flooding.

Seeps and springs may become evident during site grading, primarily along slopes or in areas cut below existing grade. Structures, roads, and drainage design should be planned accordingly. Piezometer installation and long-term monitoring, beyond the scope of this investigation, would be necessary to provide more detailed groundwater information.

**5.0 GEOLOGIC HAZARDS**

*City of La Center Municipal Code (LCMC Development Code Section 18.300)* defines geologic hazard requirements for proposed development in areas subject to the City of La Center jurisdiction. Three potential geologic hazards are identified: (1) erosion hazard areas, (2) landslide hazard and steep slope areas, and (3) seismic hazard areas. Hazard mapping obtained from *Clark County Maps Online* indicates the presence of site slope grades of up to 25 percent at the northeast site corner.

Columbia West conducted a geologic hazard review to assess whether a geologic hazard is present at the site proposed for development, and if so, to provide mitigation recommendations. The geologic hazard review was based upon physical and visual reconnaissance, subsurface exploration, and review of maps and other published technical literature. The results of the geologic hazard review for potential geologic hazards are discussed in the following sections.

**5.1 Erosion Hazard Areas**

According to *Clark County Maps Online*, the *Soil Survey of Clark County, Washington* and field observations, an erosion hazard is not present on the subject site. Therefore, according to the *City of La Center Development Code*, a soil erosion hazard area is not present at the site. However, if there are erosion concerns, erosion can be successfully mitigated by preparation and adherence to a site-specific erosion control plan that identifies BMPs to be utilized to reduce potential impacts on site soils during construction. Concentrated drainage or water flow over the face of slopes should be prohibited, and adequate protection against erosion is required. Erosion control measures are discussed further in Section 6.15, *Erosion Control Measures*.

**5.2 Landslide Hazard and Steep Slope Areas**

To evaluate steep slope areas and assess whether landslide hazards are present at the site, Columbia West conducted a review of literature, subsurface exploration, and physical slope

reconnaissance. As mentioned previously, slope grades of up to 25 percent were observed at the northeast site corner.

### **5.2.1 Geologic Literature Review**

Columbia West reviewed *Slope Stability of Clark County* (Washington Department of Natural Resources, Division of Geology and Earth Resources, Fiksdal, 1975) to assess site slope characteristics. The Fiksdal report identifies four levels of potential slope instability within Clark County: (1) stable areas – no slides or unstable slopes, (2) areas of potential instability because of underlying geologic conditions and physical characteristics associated with steepness, (3) areas of historical or still active landslides, and (4) older landslide debris. The site is mapped as (1) stable areas – no slides or unstable slopes.

Columbia West also reviewed the *Geologic Map of the Ridgefield Quadrangle, Clark County, Washington* (R.C. Evarts, Washington Division of Geology and Earth Resources, Scientific Investigations Map 2844, 2004), which indicates that no landslide deposits are mapped at the subject site or in the surrounding vicinity.

### **5.2.2 Slope Reconnaissance and Slope Stability Assessment**

Review of topographic mapping published by *Clark County Maps Online* indicates that the subject site is located in an area that slopes regionally downgradient from north to south with no apparent toe or crest observed on the property or adjacent parcels.

The maximum grade change between the north and south property boundaries is approximately 100 feet with slope grades generally ranging from 5 to 25 percent. Slopes appear planar with no observed evidence of instability. There was no observed direct evidence of large-scale, mass slope movements or historic landslides. No landslide debris was observed within subsurface soils explored onsite and groundwater seeps or springs were not observed.

*City of La Center Municipal Code* defines a landslide hazard as areas meeting all three of the following characteristics: 1) slopes steeper than 15 percent; 2) hillsides intersecting geologic contacts with permeable sediment overlying low permeability sediment or bedrock, and; 3) any springs or groundwater seepage. The above-mentioned criteria were not observed during our field investigation or site research. Based upon the results of slope reconnaissance, subsurface exploration, and site research, slopes on the subject site do not appear to meet the definition of a landslide hazard according to *City of La Center Municipal Code*.

## **5.3 Seismic Hazard Areas**

Seismic hazards include areas subject to severe risk of earthquake-induced damage. Damage may occur due to soil liquefaction, dynamic settlement, ground shaking amplification, or surface faulting rupture. These seismic hazards are discussed below.

### **5.3.1 Soil Liquefaction and Dynamic Settlement**

According to the *Liquefaction Susceptibility Map of Clark County Washington* (Washington State Department of Natural Resources, 2004), the site is mapped as very low susceptibility

for liquefaction. Liquefaction, defined as the transformation of the behavior of a granular material from a solid to a liquid due to increased pore-water pressure and reduced effective stress, may occur when granular materials quickly compact under cyclic stresses caused by a seismic event. The effects of liquefaction may include immediate ground settlement and lateral spreading.

Soils most susceptible to liquefaction are generally saturated, cohesionless, loose to medium-dense sands within 50 feet of the ground surface. Recent research has also indicated that low plasticity silts and clays may also be subject to sand-like liquefaction behavior if the plasticity index determined by the Atterberg Limits analysis is less than 8. Potentially liquefiable soils located above the existing, historic, or expected ground water levels do not generally pose a liquefaction hazard. It is important to note that changes in perched ground water elevation may occur due to project development or other factors not observed at the time of investigation.

Based upon results of literature review, site-specific testing, and laboratory analysis, the potential for soil liquefaction is considered to be low.

### **5.3.2 Ground Shaking Amplification**

Review of the *Site Class Map of Clark County, Washington* (Washington State Department of Natural Resources, 2004), indicates that site soils may be represented by Site Classes C and D as defined by the *ASCE 7, Chapter 20, Table 20.3-1*. However, subsurface exploration, in situ soil testing, and review of local well logs and geologic maps indicated that site soils exhibit characteristics of Site Class D. A designation of Site Class D indicates that minor amplification of seismic energy may occur during a seismic event due to subsurface conditions. However, this is typical for many areas within Clark County, does not constitute a geologic hazard in Columbia West's opinion, and will not prohibit development if properly accounted for during the design process.

### **5.3.3 Fault Rupture**

Because there are no known geologic seismic faults within the site boundaries, fault rupture is unlikely.

## **6.0 DESIGN RECOMMENDATIONS**

The geotechnical site investigation suggests the proposed development is generally compatible with surface and subsurface soils, provided the recommendations presented in this report are utilized and incorporated into the design and construction processes. The primary geotechnical concerns associated with the site are shallow groundwater, and fine-textured soils and drainage. Design recommendations are presented in the following text sections.

### **6.1 Site Preparation and Grading**

Vegetation, organic material, unsuitable fill, and deleterious material that may be encountered should be cleared from areas identified for structures and site grading. Vegetation, other organic material, and debris should be removed from the site. Stripped topsoil should also be removed or used only as landscape fill in nonstructural areas with

slopes less than 25 percent. The stripping depth for sod and highly organic topsoil is anticipated to vary between approximately 8 and 14 inches. The required stripping depth may increase in areas of existing fill, heavy organics, or previously existing structures. Actual stripping depths should be determined based upon visual observations made during construction when soil conditions are exposed. The post-construction maximum depth of landscape fill placed or spread at any location onsite should not exceed one foot.

Previously disturbed soil, debris, or unconsolidated fill encountered during grading or construction activities should be removed completely and thoroughly from structural areas. This includes old remnant foundations, basement walls, utilities, associated soft soils, and debris. These materials and associated disturbed soils should also be completely removed from structural areas. Excavation areas should be backfilled with engineered structural fill.

The test pits excavated during site exploration were backfilled loosely with onsite soils. The test pits should be located and properly backfilled with structural fill during site improvements construction. Trees, stumps, and associated roots should also be removed from structural areas, individually and carefully. Resulting cavities and excavation areas should be backfilled with engineered structural fill.

Site grading activities should be performed in accordance with requirements specified in the *2018 International Building Code (IBC)*, Chapter 18 and Appendix J, with exceptions noted in the text herein. Site preparation, soil stripping, and grading activities should be observed and documented by Columbia West.

### **6.1.1 Existing Fill**

As previously discussed, and indicated on Figure 2, existing fill was observed in test pit exploration STP-1. Test pit exploration and field reconnaissance indicate that existing fill primarily consists of light brown to brown/gray, moist, apparent native soils and trace organic debris. Soil Type 1 was observed at the ground surface in STP-1 and along the northern property boundary on the eastern half of the site, extending to apparent depths of approximately one to- three feet bgs.

Existing fill and other previously disturbed soils or debris should be removed completely and thoroughly from structural areas. In some areas, existing fill may directly overlie vegetation and the original topsoil layer. This material should also be removed completely from structural areas. Upon removal of existing fill, Columbia West should observe the exposed subgrade. It should be noted that the limited scope of exploration conducted for this investigation cannot wholly eliminate uncertainty regarding the presence of unsuitable soils in areas not explored.

Based upon Columbia West's investigation, existing fill soils are not acceptable for reuse as structural fill.

## **6.2 Engineered Structural Fill**

Areas proposed for fill placement should be appropriately prepared as described in the preceding text. Surface soils should be scarified and compacted prior to additional fill placement. Engineered structural fill should be placed in loose lifts not exceeding 12 inches

in depth and compacted using standard conventional compaction equipment. The soil moisture content should be within two percentage points of optimum conditions. A field density at least equal to 95 percent of the maximum dry density, obtained from the standard Proctor moisture-density relationship test (ASTM D698), is recommended for structural fill placement and scarified and recompacted subgrade.

Compaction of engineered structural fill should be verified by nuclear gauge field compaction testing performed in accordance with *ASTM D6938*. Field compaction testing should be performed for each vertical foot of engineered fill placed. Engineered fill placement should be observed by Columbia West.

Engineered structural fill placement activities should be performed during dry summer months if possible. Most clean native soils may be suitable for use as structural fill if adequately dried or moisture-conditioned to achieve recommended compaction specifications. Native clay soils with a plasticity index greater than 25 (Soil Type 4) should be evaluated and approved by Columbia West prior to use as structural fill. Native soils may require addition of moisture during periods of dry weather. Compacted fill soils should be covered shortly after placement.

Because they are moisture-sensitive, fine-textured soils are often difficult to excavate and compact during wet weather conditions. If adequate compaction is not achievable with clean native soils, import structural fill consisting of granular fill meeting WSDOT specifications for *Gravel Borrow 9-03.14(1)* is recommended.

Representative samples of proposed engineered structural fill should be submitted for laboratory analysis and approval by Columbia West prior to placement. Laboratory analyses should include particle-size gradation and standard Proctor moisture-density analysis.

### **6.3 Cut and Fill Slopes**

Fill placed on existing grades steeper than 5H:1V should be horizontally benched at least 10 feet into the slope. Fill slopes greater than six feet in height should be vertically keyed into existing subsurface soil. A typical fill slope cross-section is shown in Figure 3. Drainage implementations, including subdrains or perforated drainpipe trenches, may also be necessary in proximity to cut and fill slopes if seeps or springs are encountered. Drainage design may be performed on a case-by-case basis. Extent, depth, and location of drainage may be determined in the field by Columbia West during construction when soil conditions are exposed. Failure to provide adequate drainage may result in soil sloughing, settlement, or erosion.

Final cut or fill slopes at the site should not exceed 2H:1V or 10 feet in height without individual slope stability analysis. The values above assume a minimum horizontal setback for loads of 10 feet from top of cut or fill slope face or overall slope height divided by three (H/3), whichever is greater. A minimum slope setback detail for structures is presented in Figure 4.

Concentrated drainage or water flow over the face of slopes should be prohibited, and adequate protection against erosion is required. Fill slopes should be constructed by placing

fill material in maximum 12-inch level lifts, compacting as described in Section 6.2, *Engineered Structural Fill* and horizontally benching where appropriate. Fill slopes should be overbuilt, compacted, and trimmed at least two feet horizontally to provide adequate compaction of the outer slope face. Proper cut and fill slope construction is critical to overall project stability and should be observed and documented by Columbia West.

#### **6.4 Foundations**

Foundations for proposed structures are anticipated to consist of shallow continuous perimeter or column spread footings. Footings should be designed by a licensed structural engineer and conform to the recommendations below. Typical building loads are not expected to exceed approximately 3 kips per foot for perimeter footings or 10 kips per column. If actual loading exceeds anticipated loading, additional analysis should be conducted for the specific load conditions and proposed footing dimensions.

The existing ground surface should be prepared as described in Section 6.1, *Site Preparation and Grading*, and Section 6.2, *Engineered Structural Fill*. Foundations should bear upon firm native soil or engineered structural fill.

To evaluate bearing capacity for proposed structures, serviceability and reliability of shear resistance for subsurface soils was considered. Allowable bearing capacity is typically a function of footing dimension and subsurface soil properties, including settlement and shear resistance. Based upon in situ field testing and laboratory analysis, the estimated allowable bearing capacity for well-drained foundations prepared as described above is 1,500 psf. Bearing capacity may be increased by one-third for transient lateral forces such as seismic or wind. The estimated coefficient of friction between in situ compacted native soil or engineered structural fill and in-place poured concrete is 0.35. Lateral forces may also be resisted by an assumed passive soil equivalent fluid pressure of 250 psf/f against embedded footings. The upper six inches of soil should be neglected in passive pressure calculations.

Footings should extend to a depth at least 18 inches below lowest adjacent grade to provide adequate bearing capacity and protection against frost heave. Foundations constructed during wet weather conditions will require over-excavation of saturated subgrade soils and granular structural backfill prior to concrete placement. Over-excavation recommendations should be provided by Columbia West during foundation excavation and construction. Excavations adjacent to foundations should not extend within a 2H:1V angle projected down from the outside bottom footing edge without additional geotechnical analysis.

Foundations should not be permitted to bear upon undocumented fill or disturbed soil. Columbia West should observe foundation excavations prior to placing forms or reinforcing bar to verify subgrade support conditions are as anticipated in this report.

#### **6.5 Slabs on Grade**

Proposed structures may have slab-on-grade floors. Slabs should be supported on firm, competent, in situ soil or engineered structural fill. Disturbed soils and unsuitable fills in proposed slab locations should be removed and replaced with structural fill.



Preparation beneath slabs should be performed in accordance with the recommendations presented in Section 6.1, *Site Preparation and Grading* and Section 6.2, *Engineered Structural Fill*. Slabs should be underlain by at least 6 inches of 1 ¼"-0 crushed aggregate meeting *WSDOT 9-03.9(3)*. Geotextile filter fabric conforming to *WSDOT 2010 Standard Specification M 41-10, 9-33.2(1), Geotextile Properties, Table 3: Geotextile for Separation or Soil Stabilization* may be used below the crushed aggregate to increase subgrade support. Base aggregate should be compacted to at least 95 percent of maximum dry density determined by the modified Proctor moisture-density relationship test (ASTM D1557).

For lightly loaded slabs not exceeding 200 psf, the modulus of subgrade reaction is estimated to be 150 psi/inch. Columbia West should be contacted for additional analysis if slab loading exceeds 200 psf. If desired, a moisture barrier may be constructed beneath the slabs. Slabs should be appropriately waterproofed in accordance with the desired type of finished flooring. Slab thickness and reinforcement should be designed by an experienced structural engineer in accordance with anticipated loads.

## **6.6 Static Settlement**

Total long-term static footing displacement for shallow foundations constructed as described in this report is not anticipated to exceed approximately 1 inch. Differential settlement between comparably loaded footing elements is not expected to exceed approximately ½ inch over a span of 50 feet. The resulting vertical displacement after loading may be due to elastic distortion, dissipation of excess pore pressure, or soil creep.

## **6.7 Excavation**

Soils at the site were explored to a maximum depth of 14 feet using a track-mounted excavator. Bedrock was not encountered and blasting or specialized rock-excavation techniques are not anticipated. Perched groundwater layers may exist at shallower depths depending on seasonal fluctuations in the water table. Recommendations as presented in Section 6.8, *Dewatering* should be considered where below-grade construction intersects the shallow groundwater table.

Based upon laboratory analysis and field testing, near-surface soils may be Washington State Industrial Safety and Health Administration (WISHA) Type C. For temporary open-cut excavations deeper than four feet, but less than 20 feet in soils of these types, the maximum allowable slope is 1.5H:1V. WISHA soil type should be confirmed during field construction activities by the contractor. Soil is often anisotropic and heterogeneous, and it is possible that WISHA soil types determined in the field may differ from those described above.

Site-specific shoring design may be required if open-cut excavations are infeasible or if excavations are proposed adjacent to existing infrastructure. Typical methods for stabilizing excavations consist of soldier piles and timber lagging, sheet pile walls, tiebacks and shotcrete, or pre-fabricated hydraulic shoring. Because lateral earth pressure distributions acting on below-grade structures are dependent upon the type of shoring system used, Columbia West should be contacted to conduct additional analysis when shoring type, excavation depths, and locations are known.

The contractor should be held responsible for site safety, sloping, and shoring. Columbia West is not responsible for contractor activities and excavation should be conducted in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal laws.

### **6.8 Dewatering**

Groundwater elevation and hydrostatic pressure should be carefully considered during design of utilities, retaining walls, or other structures that require below-grade excavation. Utility trenches in shallow groundwater areas or excavations and cuts that remain open for even short periods of time may undermine or collapse due to groundwater effects. Placement of layers of riprap or quarry spalls in localized areas on shallow excavation side slopes may be required to limit instability. Over-excavation and stabilization of pipe trenches or other excavations with imported crushed aggregate or gabion rock may also be necessary to provide adequate subgrade support.

Significant pumping and dewatering may be required to temporarily reduce the groundwater elevation to allow construction of proposed below-grade structures, installation of utilities, or placement of structural fills. Dewatering via a sump within excavation zones may be insufficient to control groundwater and provide excavation side slope stability. Dewatering may be more feasibly conducted by installing a system of temporary well points and pumps around proposed excavation areas or utility trenches. Depending on proposed utility depths, a site-specific dewatering plan may be necessary. Well pumps should remain functioning at all times during the excavation and construction period. Suitable back-up pumps and power supplies should be available to prevent unanticipated shut-down of dewatering equipment. Failure to operate pumps full-time may result in flooding of the excavation zones, resulting in damage to forms, slopes, or equipment.

### **6.9 Lateral Earth Pressure**

Lateral earth pressures should be considered during design of retaining walls and below grade structures. Hydrostatic pressure and additional surcharge loading should also be considered. Wall foundation construction and bearing capacity should adhere to specifications provided previously in Section 6.4, *Foundations*. Retained material may include engineered structural backfill or undisturbed native soil. Structural wall backfill should consist of imported granular material meeting *Section 9-03.12(2)* of *WSDOT Standard Specifications*. Backfill should be prepared and compacted to at least 95 percent of maximum dry density as determined by the modified Proctor test (ASTM D1557). Recommended parameters for lateral earth pressures for retained soils and engineered structural backfill consisting of imported granular fill meeting WSDOT specifications for *Gravel Backfill for Walls 9-03.12(2)* are presented in Table 1.

The design parameters presented in Table 1 are valid for static loading cases only and are based upon in situ undisturbed native soils or compacted granular fill. The recommended earth pressures do not include surcharge loads, dynamic loading, hydrostatic pressure, or seismic design. If sloped backfill conditions are proposed, Columbia West should be contacted for additional analysis and associated recommendations.

If seismic design is required for unrestrained walls, seismic forces may be calculated by superimposing a uniform lateral force of  $10H^2$  pounds per lineal foot of wall, where H is the total wall height in feet. The resultant force should be applied at 0.6H from the base of the wall.

**Table 1. Recommended Lateral Earth Pressure Parameters for Level Backfill**

Retained Soil	Equivalent Fluid Pressure for Level Backfill			Wet Density	Drained Internal Angle of Friction
	At-rest	Active	Passive		
Undisturbed native SILT with Sand and Sandy SILT (Soil Type 2)	61 pcf	42 pcf	319 pcf	115 pcf	28°
Undisturbed native Lean CLAY with Sand (Soil Type 3)	60 pcf	41 pcf	293 pcf	110 pcf	27°
Undisturbed Native Fat CLAY (Soil Type 4)	65 pcf	46 pcf	261 pcf	110 pcf	24°
Approved Structural Backfill Material WSDOT 9-03.12(2) compacted aggregate backfill	56 pcf	35 pcf	520 pcf	135 pcf	36°

*\*The upper 6 inches of soil should be neglected in passive pressure calculations. If exterior grade from top or toe of retaining wall is sloped, Columbia West should be contacted to provide location-specific lateral earth pressures.*

A continuous one-foot-thick zone of free-draining, washed, open-graded 1-inch by 2-inch drain rock and a 4-inch perforated gravity drainpipe is assumed behind retaining walls. Geotextile filter fabric should be placed between the drain rock and backfill soil. Specifications for drainpipe design are presented in Section 6.12, *Drainage*. If walls cannot be gravity drained, saturated base conditions and/or applicable hydrostatic pressures should be assumed.

Final retaining wall design should be reviewed and approved by Columbia West. Retaining wall subgrade and backfill activities should also be observed and tested for compliance with recommended specifications by Columbia West during construction.

**6.10 Seismic Design Considerations**

According to the *ASCE 7 Hazard Tool*, the anticipated peak ground and maximum considered earthquake spectral response accelerations resulting from seismic activity for the subject site are summarized in Table 2.

**Table 2. Approximate Probabilistic Ground Motion Values for ‘firm rock’ sites based on subject property longitude and latitude**

	2% Probability of Exceedance in 50 yrs
Peak Ground Acceleration	0.360 g
0.2 sec Spectral Acceleration	0.797 g
1.0 sec Spectral Acceleration	0.374 g

The listed probabilistic ground motion values are based upon “firm rock” sites with an assumed shear wave velocity of 2,500 ft/s in the upper 100 feet of soil profile. These values

should be adjusted for site class effects by applying site coefficients  $F_a$  and  $F_v$  and  $F_{PGA}$  as defined by *ASCE 7-16 and associated ASCE 7-16 Supplement 1, dated December 12, 2018, Tables 11.4-1, 11.4-2, and 11.8-1*. The site coefficients are intended to more accurately characterize estimated peak ground and respective earthquake spectral response accelerations by considering site-specific soil characteristics and index properties.

Localized peak ground accelerations exceeding the adjusted values may occur in some areas in direct proximity to an earthquake's origin. This may be a result of amplification of seismic energy due to depth to competent bedrock, compression and shear wave velocity of bedrock, presence and thickness of loose, unconsolidated alluvial deposits, soil plasticity, grain size, and other factors.

Identification of specific seismic response spectra is beyond the scope of this investigation. If site structures are designed in accordance with recommendations specified in the *2018 IBC*, the potential for peak ground accelerations in excess of the adjusted and amplified values should be understood.

### **6.11 Infiltration Testing Results and Soil Group Classification**

To investigate the feasibility of subsurface disposal of stormwater, Columbia West conducted in situ infiltration testing at two locations within the project area on July 27, 2021. Results of in situ infiltration testing are presented in Table 3. The soil classification presented in Table 3 is based upon laboratory analysis. The infiltration rate is presented as a recommended coefficient of permeability ( $k$ ) and has been reported without application of a factor of safety.

As indicated in Table 3, the tests were conducted in test pits TP-1 and TP-8 at a depth of approximately one-foot bgs. Soils in the tested location were observed and sampled to adequately characterize the subsurface profile. Tested native soils are classified as SILT with sand (ML) and lean CLAY with sand (CL) according to USCS specifications. Soil laboratory analytical test reports are provided in Appendix A.

Single-ring, falling head infiltration testing was performed by inserting a three-inch diameter pipe into the soil at the noted depth. The test was conducted by filling the apparatus with water and measuring time relative to changes in hydraulic head at regular intervals. Using Darcy's Law for saturated flow in homogenous media, the coefficient of permeability ( $k$ ) was then calculated.

**Table 3. Infiltration Test Results**

Test Number	Location	Test Depth (feet bgs)	Groundwater Depth on 07/27/21 (feet bgs)	USCS Soil Type (*Indicates Visual Soil Classification)	Passing No. 200 Sieve (%)	WWHM Soil Group Classification**	Infiltration Rate (Coefficient of Permeability, k) (inches/hour)
IT-1.1	TP-1	1	Not Observed	ML, SILT with Sand*	-	4	< 0.06
IT-8.1	TP-8	1	Not Observed	CL, Lean CLAY with Sand*	-	4	< 0.06

\*\* WWHM Classifications are Based Upon Subsurface Investigation and Infiltration Testing Conducted at the Locations Shown.

Columbia West also classified tested near-surface soils into a representative soil group based upon site-specific infiltration test results and review of published literature. As indicated in Table 3, observed near-surface infiltration rates were less than 0.06 inches per hour in the tested locations. Based upon review of USDA hydrologic soil group criteria (USDA, 2007), Appendix 2-A of the *2021 Clark County Stormwater Manual*, and the *Clark County WWHM Soil Groupings Memorandum* (Otak, 2010), measured infiltration rates generally meet the criteria for WWHM Soil Group 4. Therefore, based upon site-specific infiltration testing and review of published literature, tested near-surface soils may be appropriately classified as presented in Table 3.

Due to the presence of fine-textured, low permeability soils at the site, subsurface disposal of concentrated stormwater via infiltration is likely infeasible and is not recommended without further study.

### 6.12 Drainage

At a minimum, site drainage should include surface water collection and conveyance to properly designed stormwater management structures and facilities. Drainage design in general should conform to City of La Center regulations. Finished site grading should be conducted with positive drainage away from structures. Depressions or shallow areas that may retain ponding water should be avoided. Roof drains, low-point drains, and perimeter foundation drains are recommended for structures. Drains should consist of separate systems and gravity flow with a minimum two-percent slope away from foundations into an approved discharge location.

Perimeter foundation drains should consist of 3-inch perforated PVC pipe surrounded by a minimum of 1 ft<sup>3</sup> of clean, washed drain rock per linear foot of pipe and wrapped with geotextile filter fabric. Open-graded drain rock with a maximum particle size of 3 inches and less than 2 percent passing the No. 200 sieve is recommended. Geotextile filter fabric should consist of Mirafi 140N or approved equivalent, with AOS between No. 70 and No. 100 sieve. The water permittivity should be greater than 1.5/sec. Figure 5 presents a typical foundation drain. Perimeter drains may limit increased hydrostatic pressure beneath footings and assist in reducing potential perched moisture areas.

Subdrains should also be considered if portions of the site are cut below surrounding grades. Shallow groundwater, springs, or seeps should be conveyed via drainage channel or perforated pipe into an approved discharge. Recommendations for design and installation of perforated drainage pipe may be performed on a case-by-case basis by Columbia West during construction. Failure to provide adequate surface and sub-surface drainage may result in soil slumping or unanticipated settlement of structures exceeding tolerable limits. A typical perforated drainpipe trench detail is presented in Figure 6.

Site improvements construction in some areas may occur at or near the shallow groundwater table, particularly if work is conducted during wet-weather conditions. Dewatering may be necessary, and a drainage mat may be required to achieve sufficient elevation for fill placement. A typical drainage mat is shown on Figure 7. Columbia West should determine drainage mat location, extent, and thickness when subsurface conditions are exposed. Drainage mats may need to be constructed in conjunction with subdrains to convey captured water to an approved discharge location.

Drains should be closely monitored after construction to assess their effectiveness. If additional surface or shallow subsurface seeps become evident, the drainage provisions may require modification or additional drains. Columbia West should be consulted to provide appropriate recommendations.

### **6.13 Bituminous Asphalt and Portland Cement Concrete**

Based upon correspondence with the client, proposed development will include new public asphalt-paved roadways. Columbia West recommends adherence to City of La Center paving guidelines for roadway improvements in the public right-of-way.

For dry weather construction, pavement surface sections should bear upon competent subgrade consisting of scarified and compacted native soil or engineered structural fill. Wet weather pavement construction is discussed in Section 6.14, *Wet Weather Construction Methods and Techniques*. Subgrade conditions should be evaluated and tested by Columbia West prior to placement of crushed aggregate base. Subgrade evaluation should include nuclear gauge density testing and wheel proof-roll observations conducted with a loaded 12-cubic yard, double-axle dump truck or equivalent. Nuclear gauge density testing should be conducted at 150-foot intervals or as determined by the onsite geotechnical engineer. Subgrade soil should be compacted to at least 95 percent of the modified Proctor dry density, as determined by *ASTM D1557*. Areas of observed deflection or rutting during proof-roll evaluation should be excavated to a firm surface and replaced with compacted crushed aggregate.

Aggregate base should consist of 1 ¼"-0 crushed aggregate meeting *WSDOT 9-03.9(3)* and be compacted to at least 95 percent of maximum dry density as determined by *ASTM D1557*. Aggregate base should also be subject to proof-roll observations as described above. Asphalt concrete pavement should be compacted to at least 91 percent of maximum Rice density. Nuclear gauge density testing should be conducted to verify adherence to recommended specifications. Testing frequency should be in accordance with *WSDOT* and City of La Center specifications.

Portland cement concrete curbs and sidewalks should be installed in accordance with City of La Center specifications. Curb and sidewalk aggregate base should consist of 1 ¼"-0 crushed aggregate meeting *WSDOT 9-03.9(3)* and be compacted to at least 95 percent of maximum dry density as determined by *ASTM D1557*. Curb and sidewalk base should also be subject to proof-roll observations as described above. Soft areas that deflect or rut should be stabilized prior to pouring concrete. Concrete should be tested during installation in accordance with *ASTM C171, C138, C231, C143, C1064, and C31*. This includes casting of cylinder specimen at a frequency of four cylinders per 100 cubic yards of poured concrete. Recommended field concrete testing includes slump, air entrainment, temperature, and unit weight.

#### **6.14 Wet Weather Construction Methods and Techniques**

Wet weather construction often results in significant shear strength reduction and soft areas that may rut or deflect. Installation of granular working layers may be necessary to provide a firm support base and sustain construction equipment. Granular layers should consist of all-weather gravel, 2x4-inch gabion, or other similar material (six-inch maximum size with less than five percent passing the No. 200 sieve).

Construction equipment traffic across exposed soil should be minimized. Equipment traffic induces dynamic loading, which may result in weak areas and significant reduction in shear strength for wet soils. Wet weather construction may also result in generation of significant excess quantities of soft wet soil. This material should be removed from the site or stockpiled in a designated area.

Construction during wet weather conditions may require increased base thickness. Over-excavation of subgrade soils or subgrade amendment with lime and/or cement may be necessary to provide a firm base upon which to place crushed aggregate. Geotextile filter fabric is also recommended. If soil amendment with lime or cement is considered, Columbia West should be contacted to provide appropriate recommendations based upon observed field conditions and desired performance criteria.

Crushed aggregate base should be installed in a single lift with trucks end-dumping from an advancing pad of granular fill. During extended wet periods, stripping activities may also need to be conducted from an advancing pad of granular fill. Once installed, the crushed aggregate base should be compacted with several passes from a static drum roller. A vibratory compactor is not recommended because it may further disturb the subgrade. Subdrains may also be necessary to provide subgrade drainage and maintain structural integrity.

Aggregate base should consist of 1 ¼"-0 crushed aggregate meeting *WSDOT 9-03.9(3)* and be compacted to at least 95 percent of maximum dry density according to the modified Proctor density test (*ASTM D1557*). Compaction should be verified by nuclear gauge density testing, conducted at 150-foot intervals or as determined by the onsite geotechnical engineer. Observation of a proof-roll with a loaded dump truck is also recommended as an indication of the compacted aggregate's performance.

It should be understood that wet weather construction is risky and costly. Columbia West should observe and document wet weather construction activities. Proper construction methods and techniques are critical to overall project integrity.

### **6.15 Erosion Control Measures**

Based upon field observations and laboratory testing, the erosion hazard for site soils in flat to shallow-gradient portions of the property is likely to be low. The potential for erosion generally increases in sloped areas. Therefore, disturbance to vegetation in sloped areas should be minimized during construction activities. Soil is also prone to erosion if unprotected and unvegetated during periods of increases precipitation. Erosion can be minimized by performing construction activities during dry summer months.

Site-specific erosion control measures should be implemented to address the maintenance of exposed areas. This may include silt fence, biofilter bags, straw wattles, or other suitable methods. During construction activities, exposed areas should be well-compacted and protected from erosion with visqueen, surface tackifier, or other means, as appropriate. Temporary slopes or exposed areas may be covered with straw, crushed aggregate, or riprap in localized areas to minimize erosion. Erosion and water runoff during wet weather conditions may be controlled by application of strategically placed channels and small detention depressions with overflow pipes.

After grading, exposed surfaces should be vegetated as soon as possible with erosion-resistant native vegetation. Jute mesh or straw may be applied to enhance vegetation. Once established, vegetation should be properly maintained. Disturbance to existing native vegetation and surrounding organic soil should also be minimized during construction activities.

### **6.16 Soil Shrink/Swell Potential**

Based upon laboratory analysis, near-surface soils contain as much as approximately 90 percent by weight passing the No. 200 sieve and exhibit a plasticity index ranging from 5 to 31 percent. This indicates the potential for soil shrinking or swelling and underscores the importance of proper moisture conditioning during fill placement. Medium to high plasticity soils should be placed and compacted at a moisture content approximately two percent above optimum as determined by laboratory analysis. As discussed previously in Section 6.2, *Engineered Structural Fill*, Columbia West should evaluate and assess all soils proposed for use as structural fill, particularly those with a plasticity index greater than 25, to determine suitability for the proposed end use.

### **6.17 Utility Installation**

Utility installation may require subsurface excavation and trenching. Excavation, trenching and shoring should conform to federal (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) (OSHA) (29 CFR, Part 1926) and WISHA (WAC, Chapter 296-155) regulations. Site soils may slough when cut vertically and sudden precipitation events or perched groundwater may result in accumulation of water within excavation zones and trenches.



Utilities should be installed in general accordance with manufacturer's recommendations. Utility trench backfill should consist of *WSDOT 9-03.19 Bank Run Gravel for Trench Backfill* or *WSDOT 9-03.14(2) Select Borrow* with a maximum particle size of 2 ½-inches. Trench backfill material within 18 inches of the top of utility pipes should be hand compacted (i.e., no heavy compaction equipment). The remaining backfill should be compacted to at least 95 percent of maximum dry density as determined by the standard Proctor moisture-density test (ASTM D698). Clean, free-draining, fine bedding sand is recommended for use in the pipe zone. With exception of the pipe zone, backfill should be placed in loose lifts not exceeding 12 inches in thickness.

Compaction of utility trench backfill material should be verified by nuclear gauge field compaction testing performed in accordance with *ASTM D6938*. Field compaction testing should be performed at 200-foot intervals along the utility trench centerline at the surface and midpoint depth of the trench. Compaction frequency and specifications may be modified for non-structural areas in accordance with recommendations of the site geotechnical engineer.

## **7.0 CONCLUSION AND LIMITATIONS**

This geotechnical site investigation report was prepared in accordance with accepted standard conventional principles and practices of geotechnical engineering. This investigation pertains only to material tested and observed as of the date of this report and is based upon proposed site development as described in the text herein. This report is a professional opinion containing recommendations established by engineering interpretations of subsurface soils based upon conditions observed during site exploration. Soil conditions may differ between tested locations or over time. Slight variations may produce impacts to the performance of structural facilities if not adequately addressed. This underscores the importance of diligent QA/QC construction observation and testing to verify soil conditions are as anticipated in this report.

Therefore, this report contains several recommendations for field observation and testing by Columbia West personnel during construction activities. Columbia West cannot accept responsibility for deviations from recommendations described in this report. Future performance of structural facilities is often related to the degree of construction observation by qualified personnel. These services should be performed to the full extent recommended.

This report is not an environmental assessment and should not be construed as a representative warranty of site subsurface conditions. The discovery of adverse environmental conditions, or subsurface soils that deviate from those described in this report, should immediately prompt further investigation. The above statements are in lieu of all other statements expressed or implied.

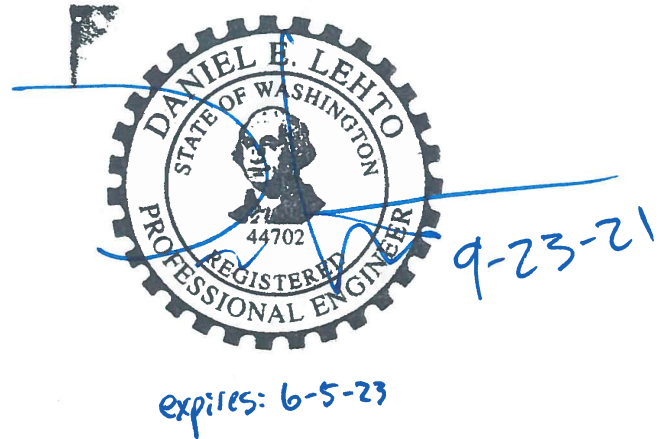
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Sincerely,

**COLUMBIA WEST ENGINEERING, Inc.**

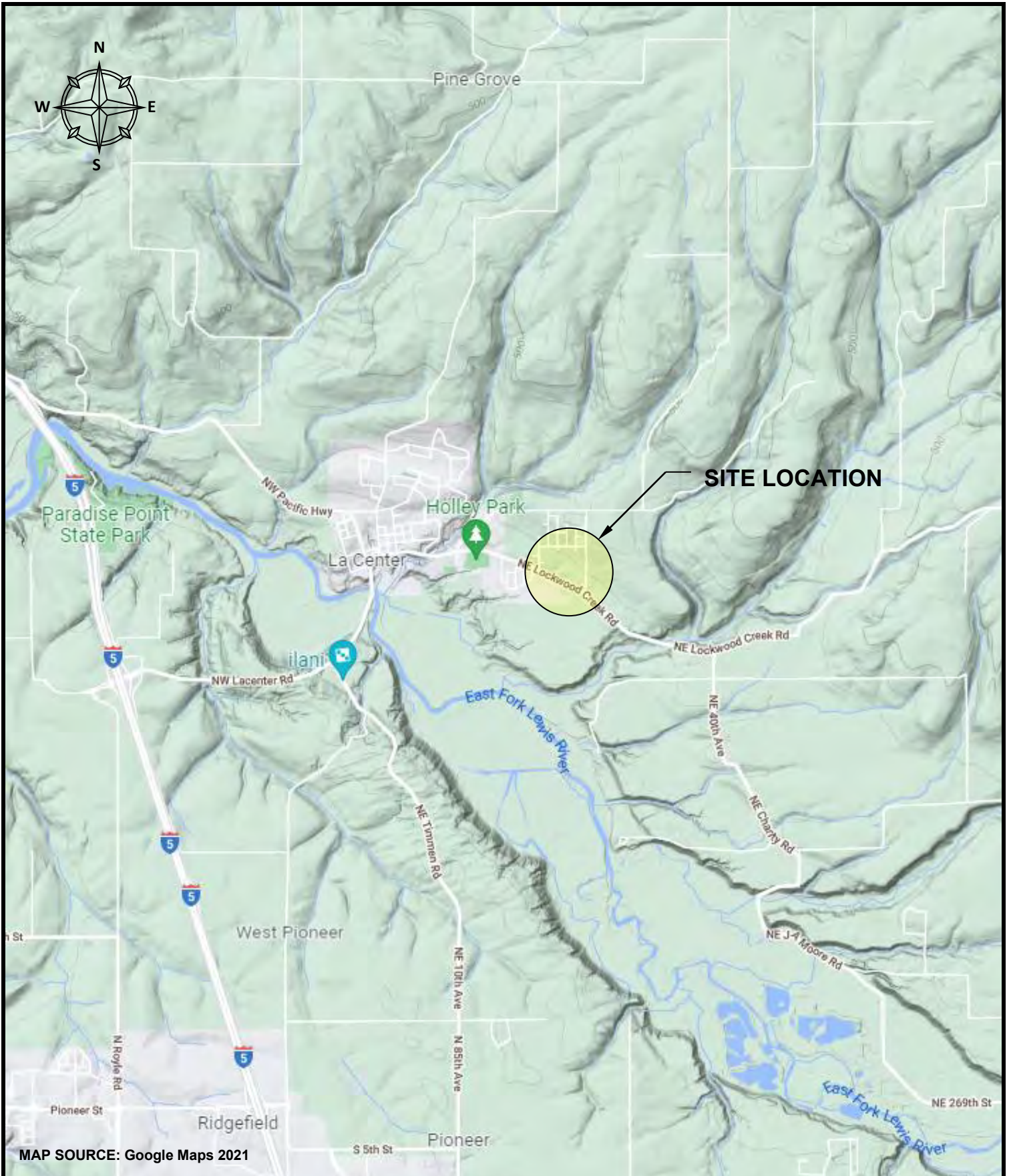
  
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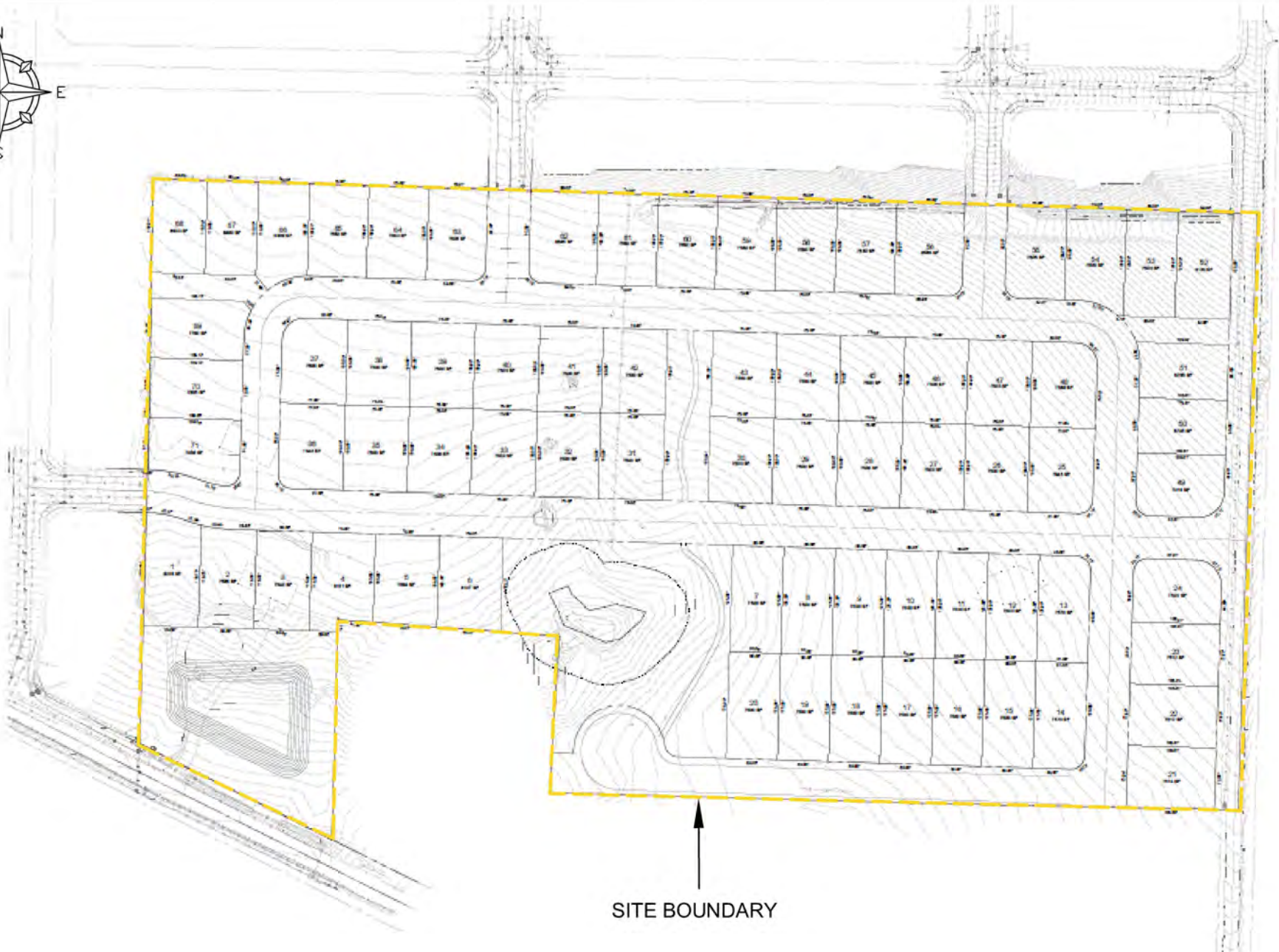
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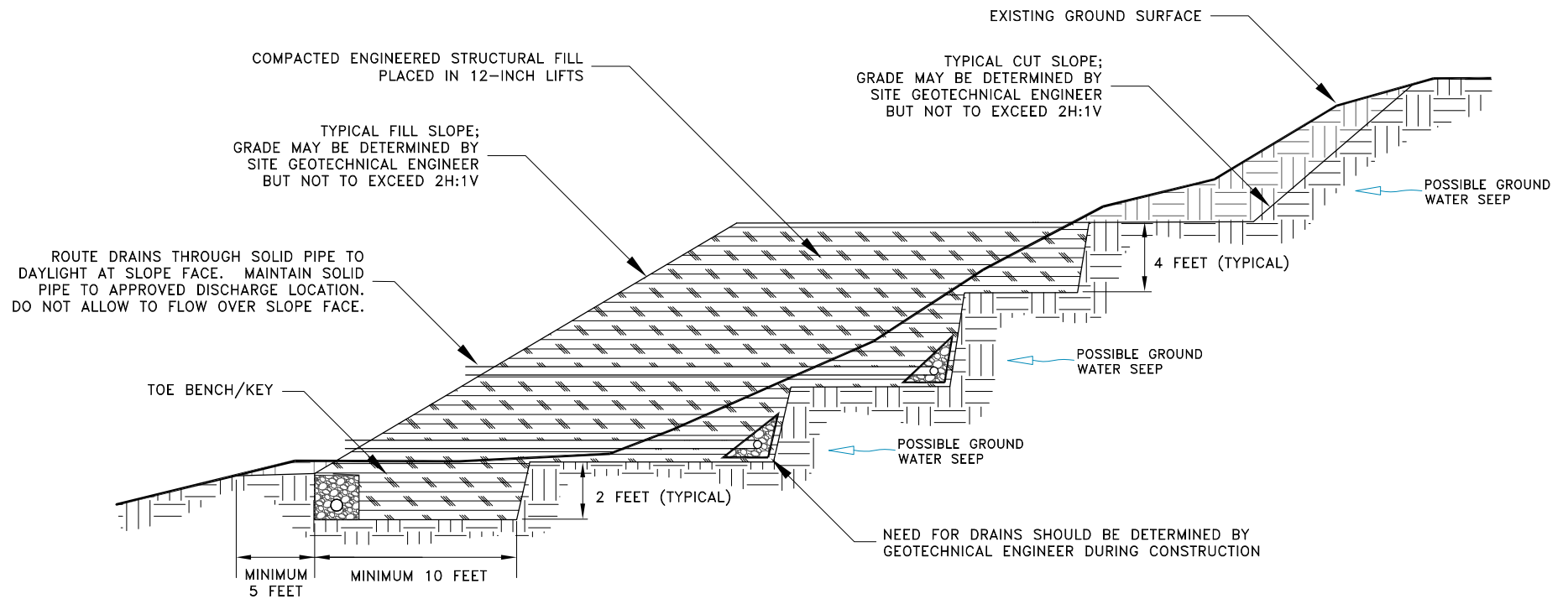


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 LOCATION OF TEST PIT   
 LOCATION OF INFILTRATION TEST



SITE BOUNDARY

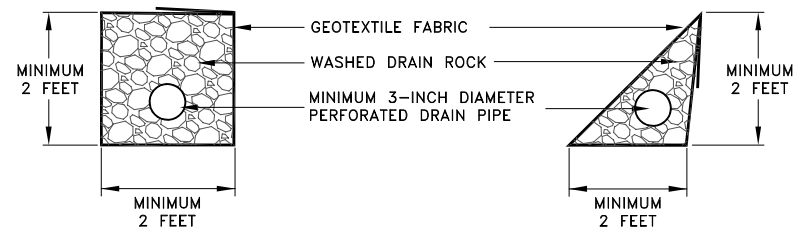


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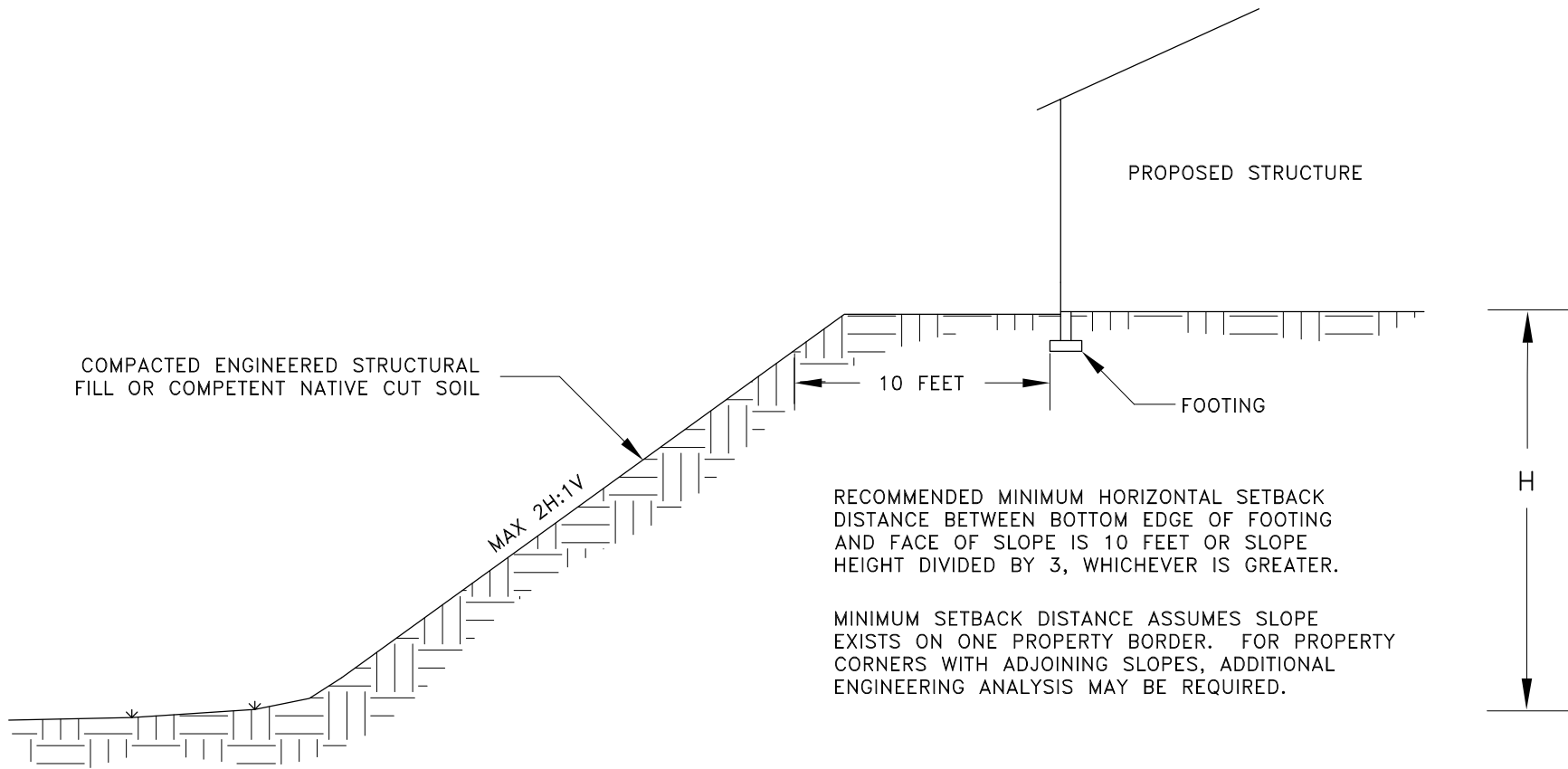
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**TYPICAL DRAIN SECTION DETAIL**







COMPACTED ENGINEERED STRUCTURAL FILL OR COMPETENT NATIVE CUT SOIL

MAX 2H:1V

10 FEET

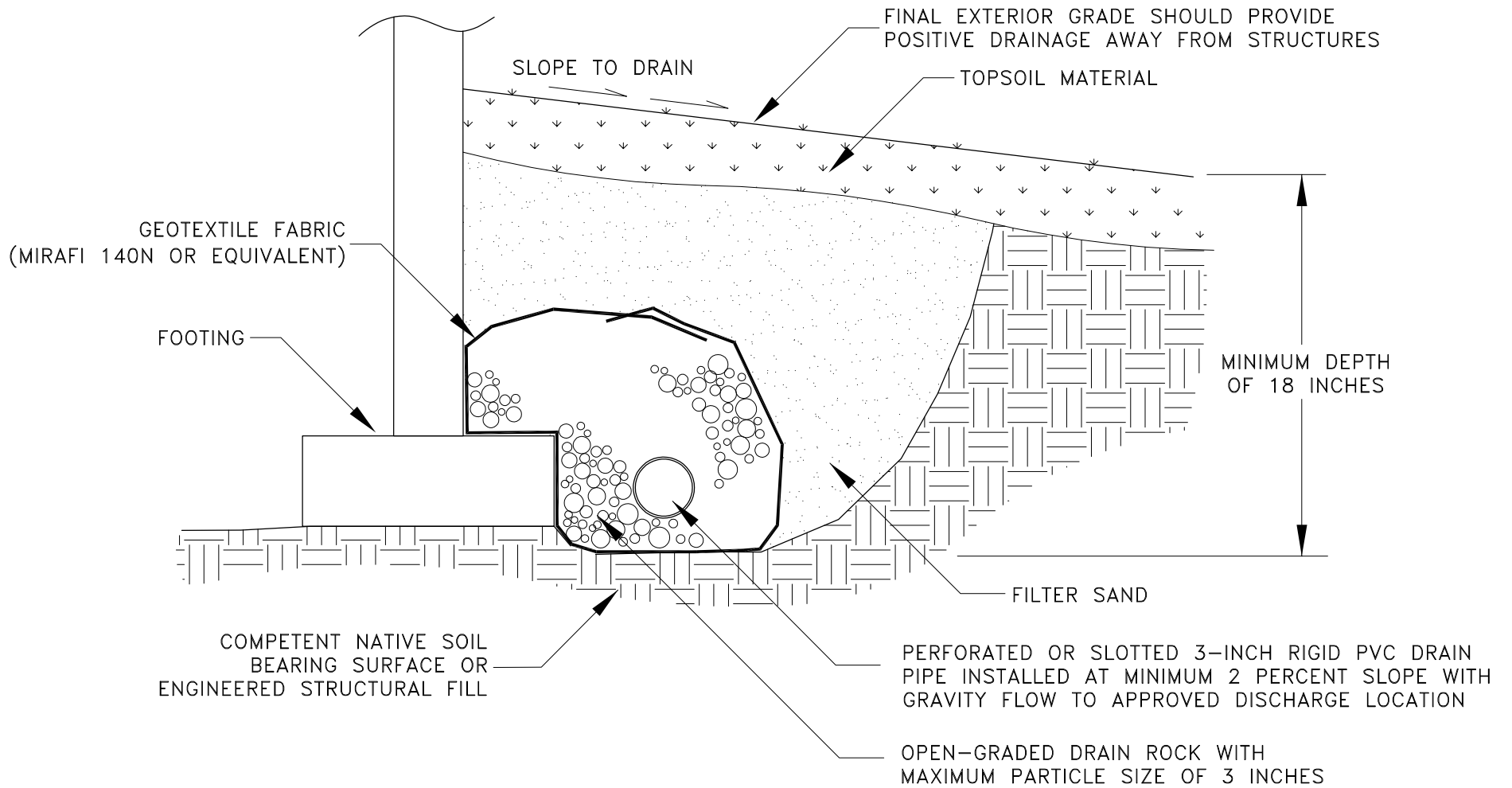
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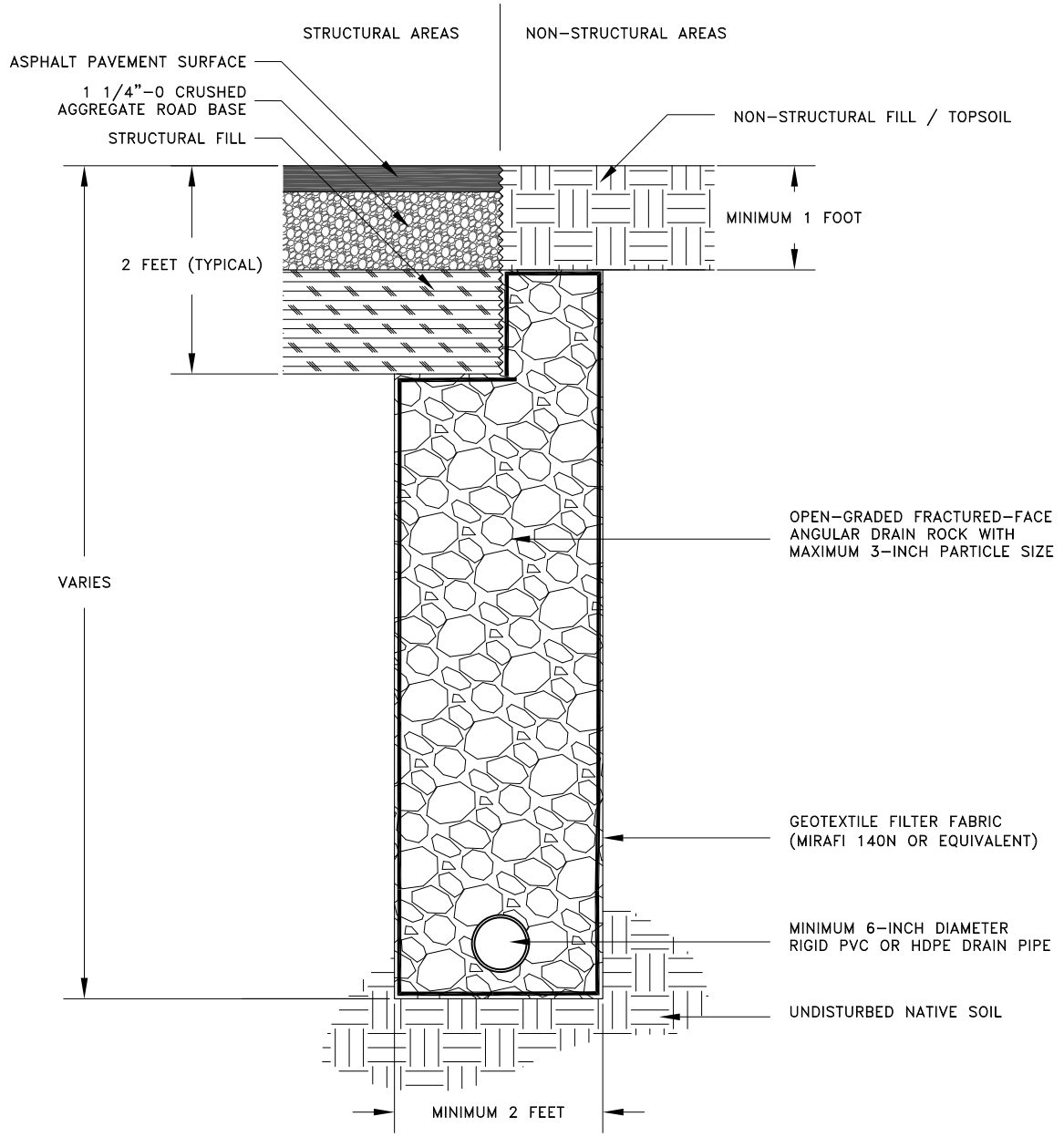
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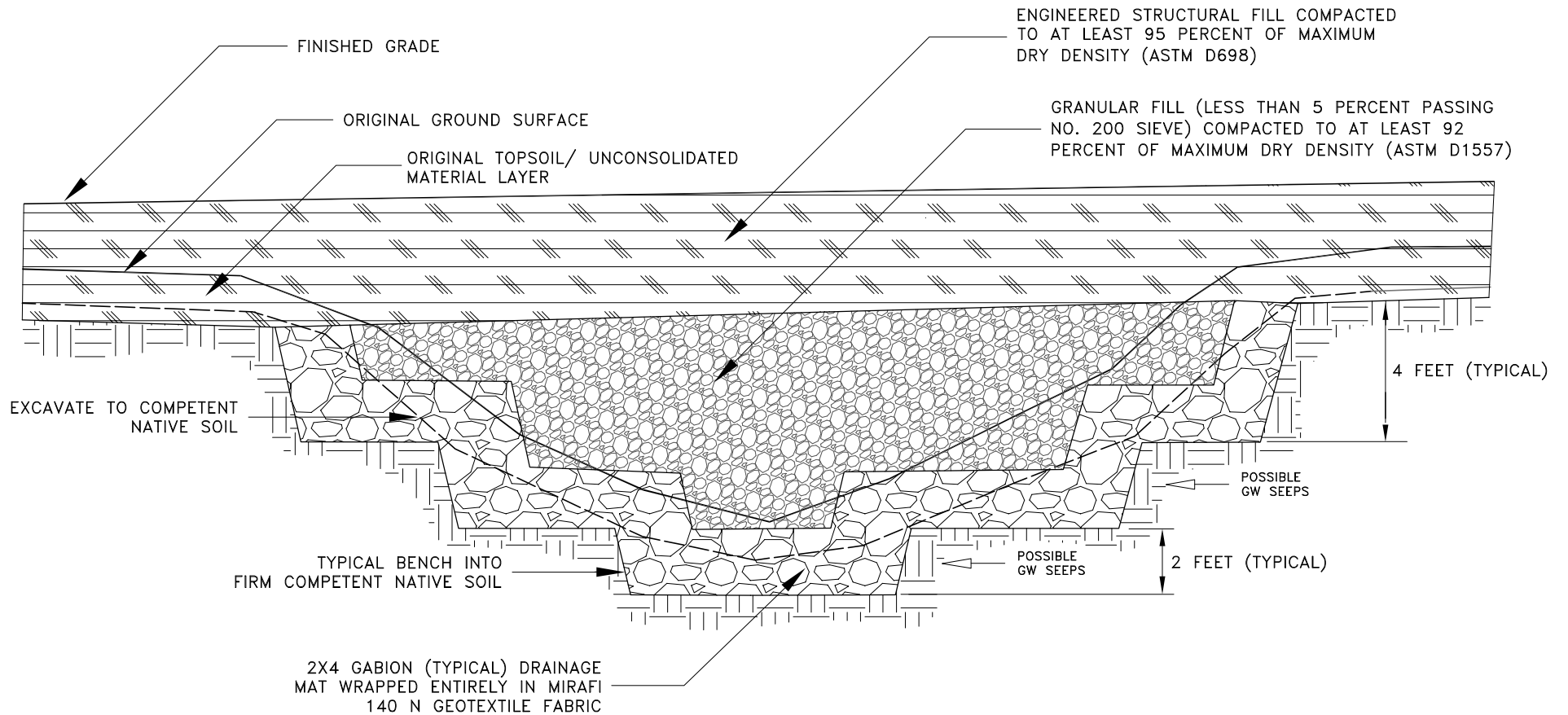
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NOTE: LOCATION, INVERT ELEVATION, DEPTH OF TRENCH, AND EXTENT OF PERFORATED PIPE REQUIRED MAY BE MODIFIED BY THE GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEER DURING CONSTRUCTION BASED UPON FIELD OBSERVATION AND SITE-SPECIFIC SOIL CONDITIONS.

# TYPICAL DRAINAGE MAT CROSS-SECTION



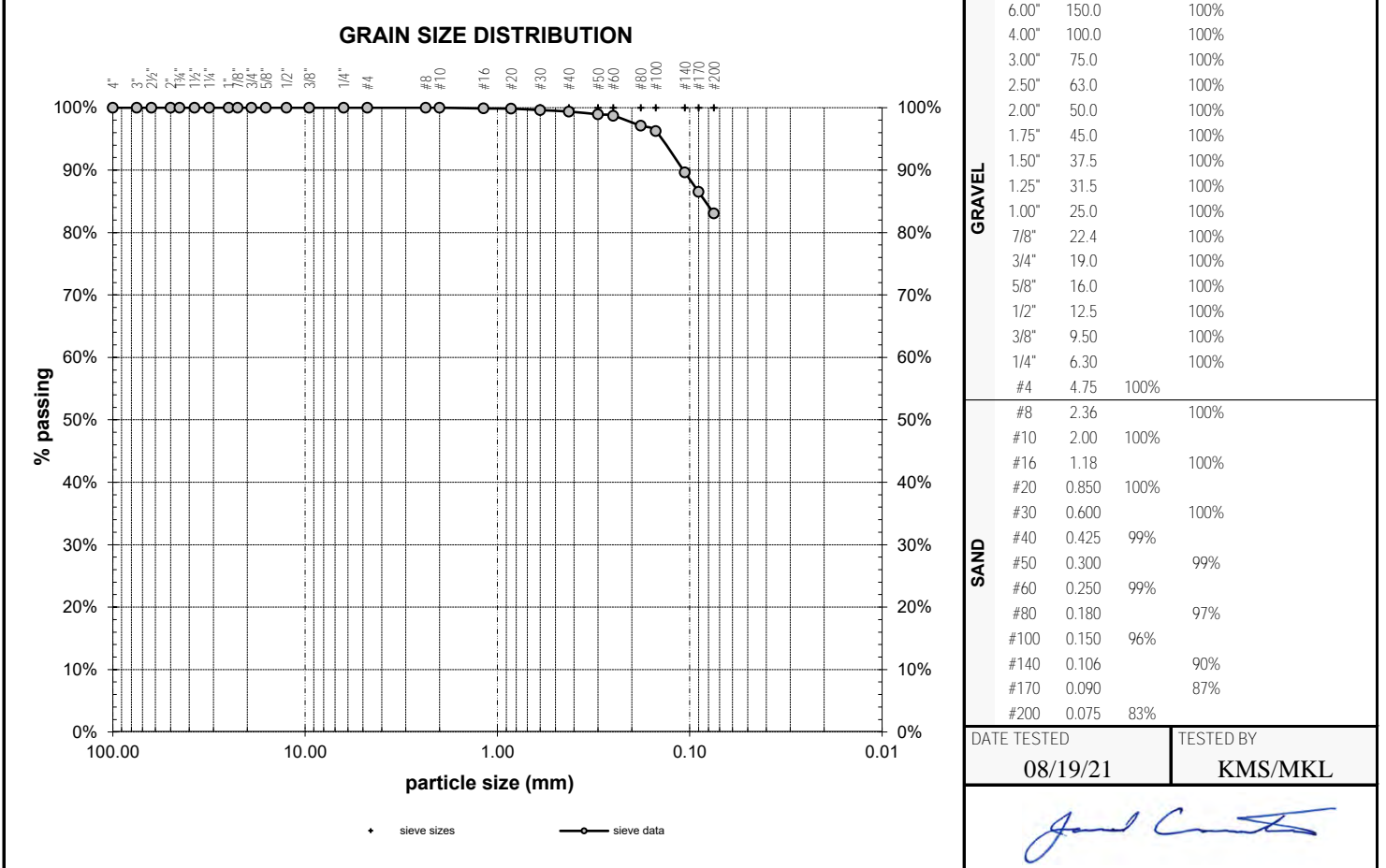
**APPENDIX A**  
**LABORATORY TEST RESULTS**

## PARTICLE-SIZE ANALYSIS REPORT

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		REPORT DATE 08/20/21	FIELD ID TP1.1
		DATE SAMPLED 07/27/21	SAMPLED BY EMU/CWS

MATERIAL DATA		
MATERIAL SAMPLED SILT with Sand	MATERIAL SOURCE Test Pit, TP-01 depth = 10 feet	USCS SOIL TYPE ML, Silt with Sand
SPECIFICATIONS none		AASHTO CLASSIFICATION A-4(4)

LABORATORY TEST DATA		
LABORATORY EQUIPMENT Rainhart "Mary Ann" Sifter, moist prep, hand washed, 12" single sieve-set	TEST PROCEDURE ASTM D6913, Method A	
ADDITIONAL DATA  initial dry mass (g) = 164.39 as-received moisture content = 35.0% liquid limit = 32 plastic limit = 27 plasticity index = 5 fineness modulus = n/a	coefficient of curvature, $C_c$ = n/a coefficient of uniformity, $C_u$ = n/a effective size, $D_{(10)}$ = n/a $D_{(30)}$ = n/a $D_{(60)}$ = n/a	SIEVE DATA  % gravel = 0.0% % sand = 16.9% % silt and clay = 83.1%



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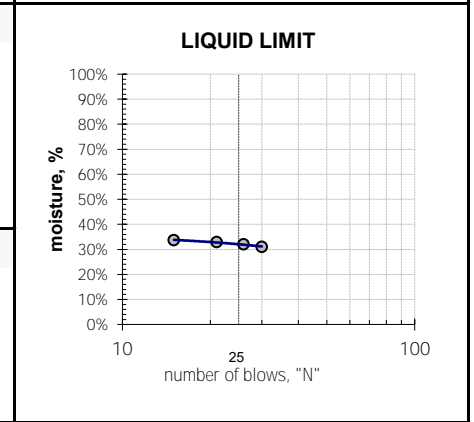
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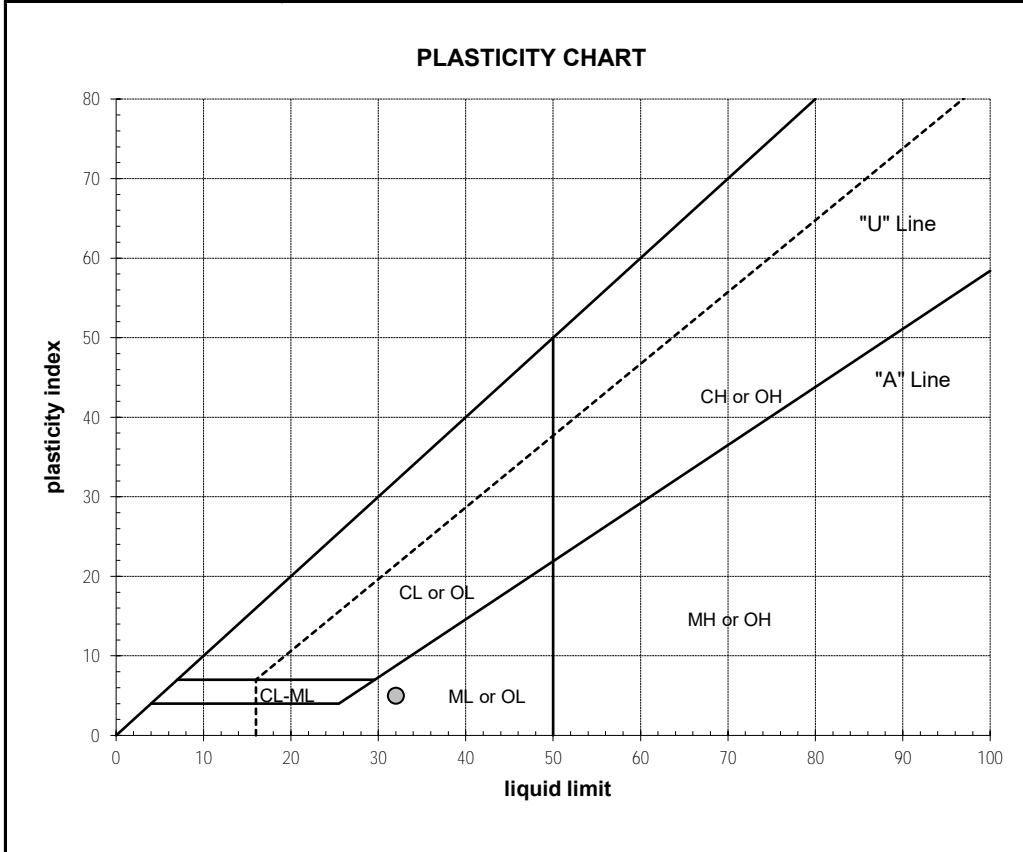
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LABORATORY TEST DATA LABORATORY EQUIPMENT <b>Liquid Limit Machine, Hand Rolled</b>	TEST PROCEDURE <b>ASTM D4318</b>
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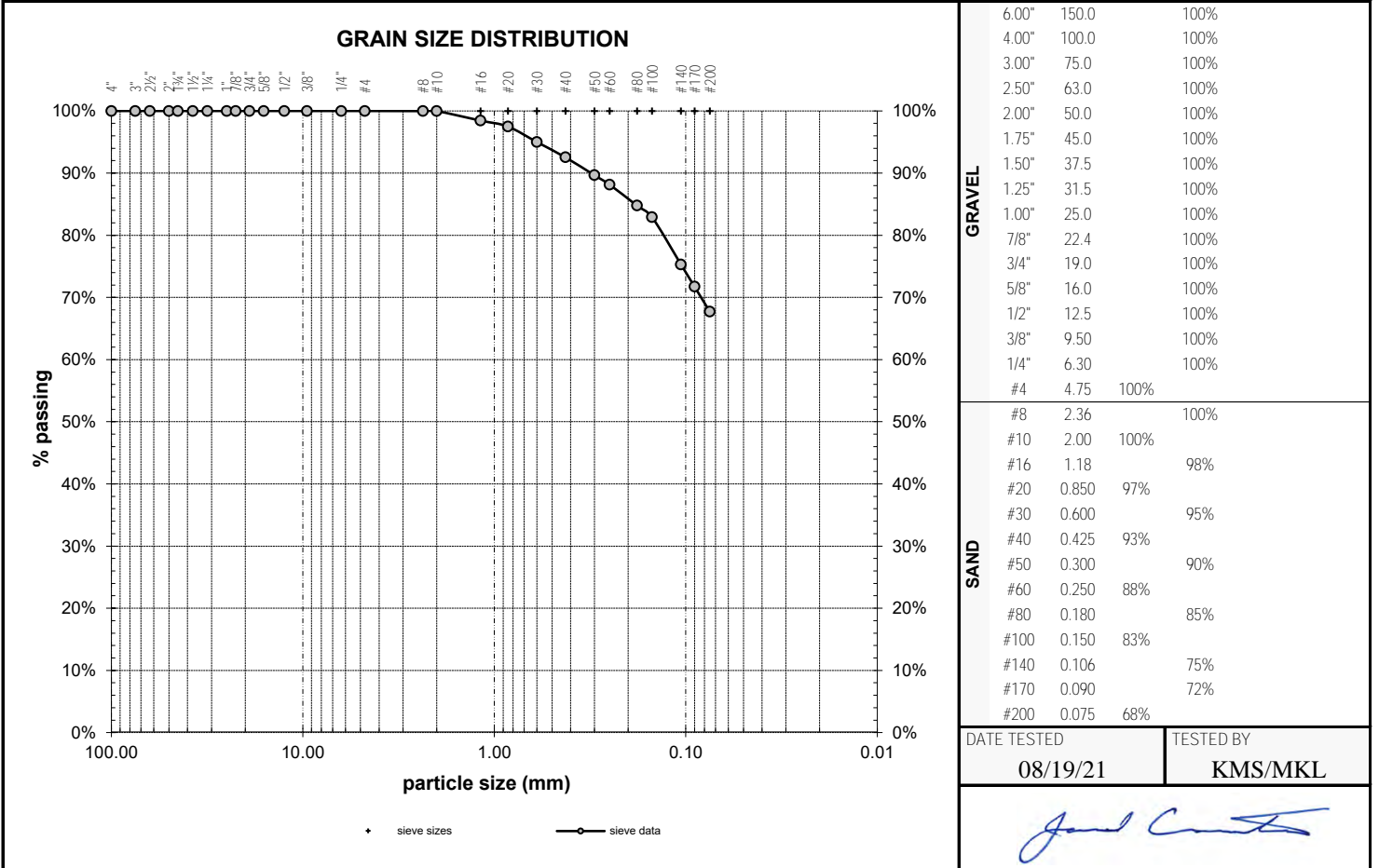
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MATERIAL DATA	MATERIAL SOURCE Test Pit, TP-03 depth = 4 feet	USCS SOIL TYPE ML, Sandy Silt
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SPECIFICATIONS none	AASHTO CLASSIFICATION A-6(8)
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LABORATORY TEST DATA	TEST PROCEDURE ASTM D6913, Method A
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LABORATORY EQUIPMENT Rainhart "Mary Ann" Sifter, moist prep, hand washed, 12" single sieve-set	SIEVE DATA % gravel = 0.0% % sand = 32.3% % silt and clay = 67.7%
ADDITIONAL DATA initial dry mass (g) = 162.94 as-received moisture content = 35.6% liquid limit = 40 plastic limit = 27 plasticity index = 13 fineness modulus = n/a	coefficient of curvature, $C_c$ = n/a coefficient of uniformity, $C_u$ = n/a effective size, $D_{(10)}$ = n/a $D_{(30)}$ = n/a $D_{(60)}$ = n/a



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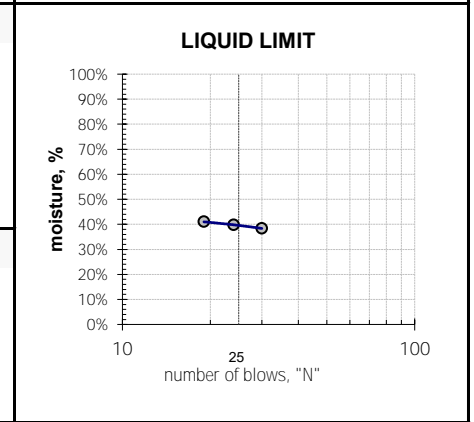
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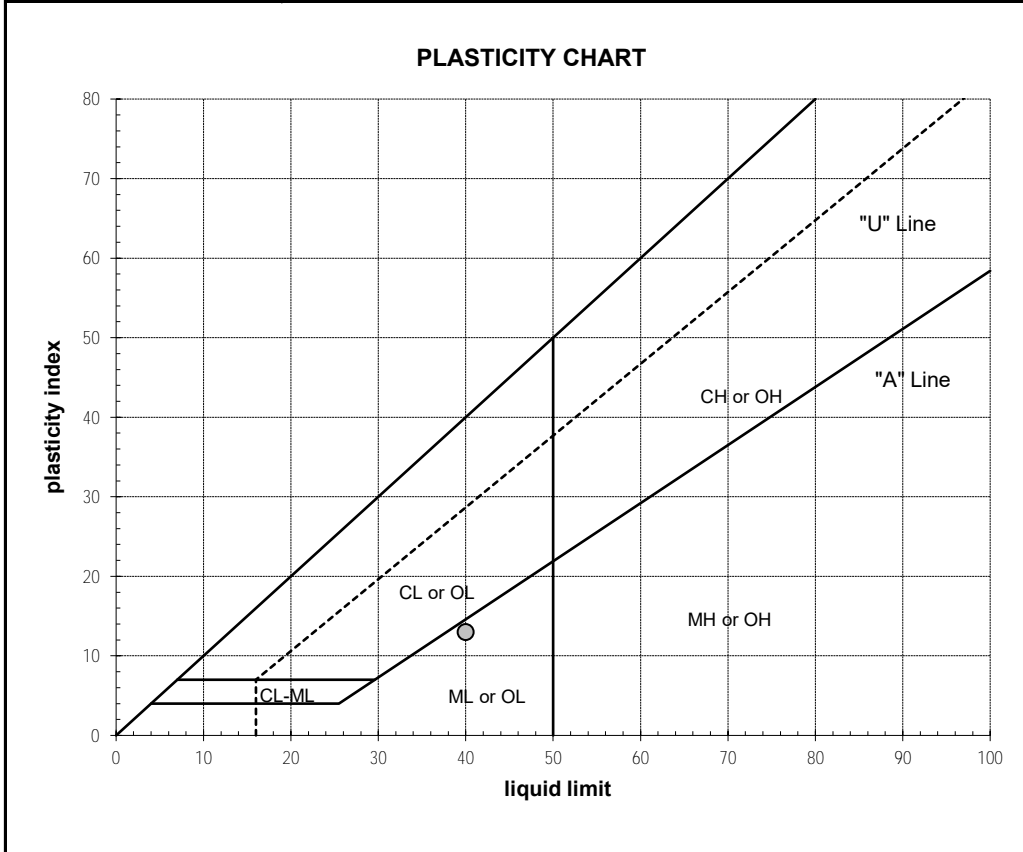
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**ADDITIONAL DATA**

% gravel =	0.0%
% sand =	32.3%
% silt and clay =	67.7%
% silt =	n/a
% clay =	n/a
moisture content =	35.6%

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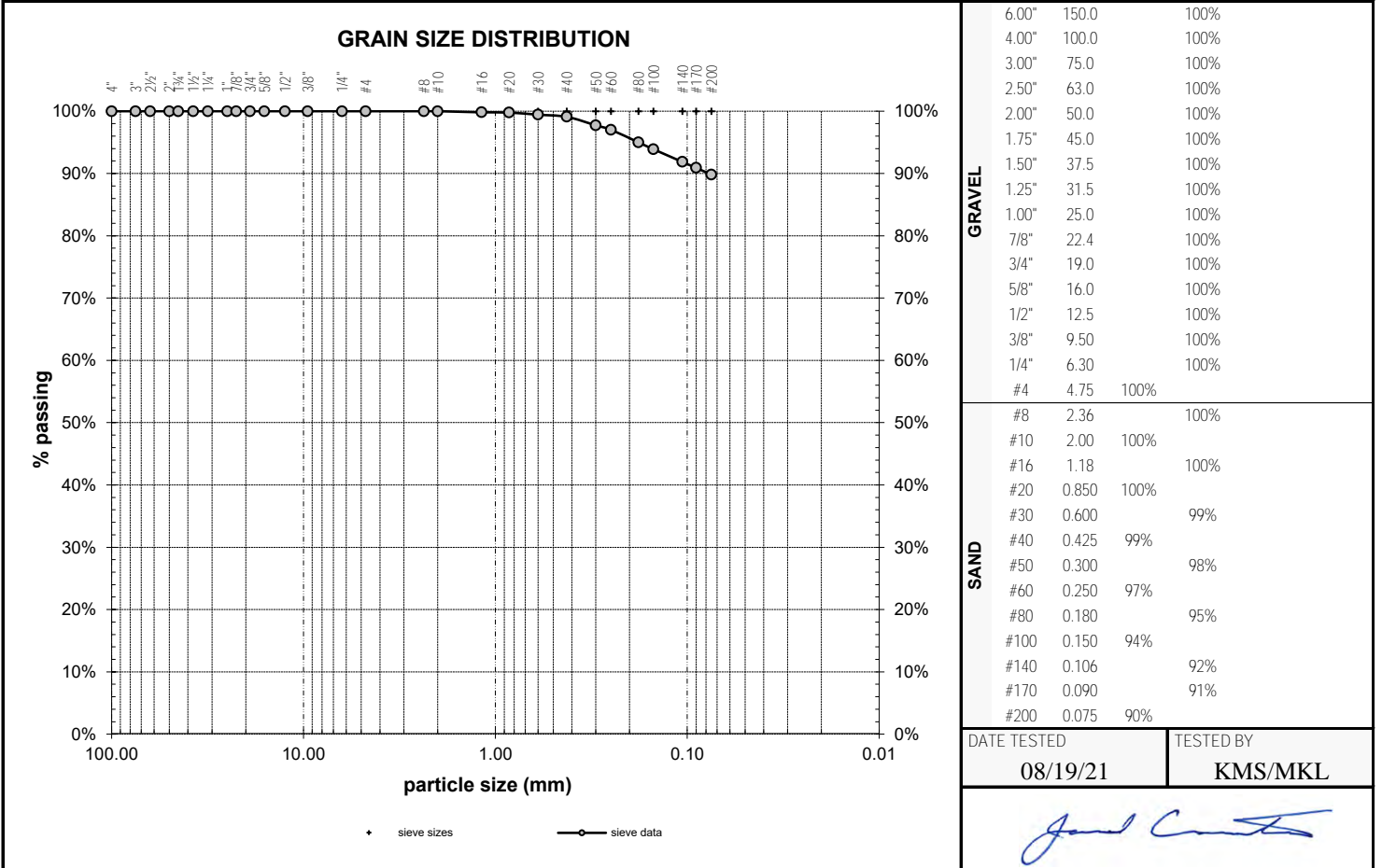
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MATERIAL DATA MATERIAL SAMPLED Fat CLAY	MATERIAL SOURCE Test Pit, TP-06 depth = 12 feet	USCS SOIL TYPE CH, Fat Clay
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SPECIFICATIONS none	AASHTO CLASSIFICATION A-7-6(30)
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LABORATORY TEST DATA LABORATORY EQUIPMENT Rainhart "Mary Ann" Sifter, moist prep, hand washed, 12" single sieve-set	TEST PROCEDURE ASTM D6913, Method A
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ADDITIONAL DATA initial dry mass (g) = 168.09 as-received moisture content = 35.3% liquid limit = 52 plastic limit = 21 plasticity index = 31 fineness modulus = n/a	SIEVE DATA % gravel = 0.0% % sand = 10.2% % silt and clay = 89.8% coefficient of curvature, $C_c$ = n/a coefficient of uniformity, $C_u$ = n/a effective size, $D_{(10)}$ = n/a $D_{(30)}$ = n/a $D_{(60)}$ = n/a
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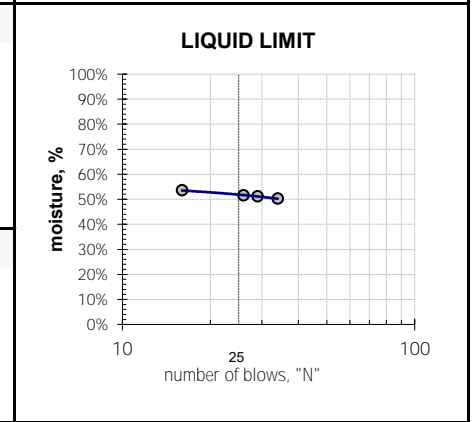
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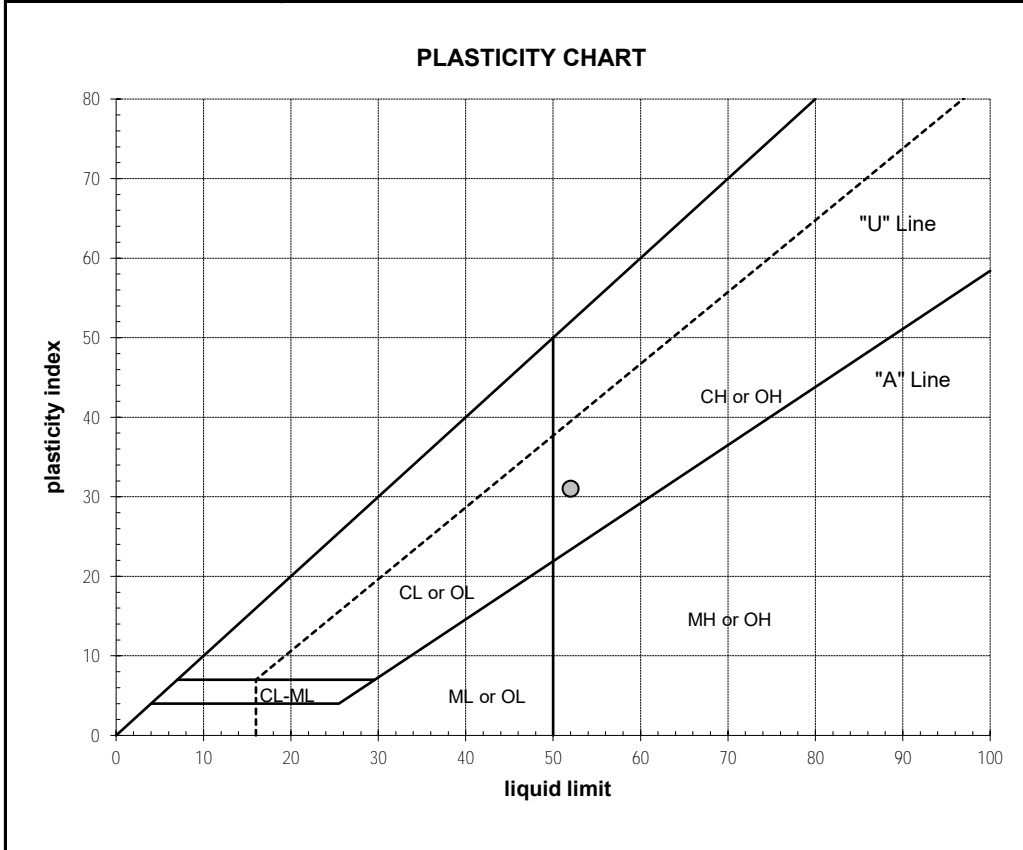
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% gravel =	0.0%
% sand =	10.2%
% silt and clay =	89.8%
% silt =	n/a
% clay =	n/a
moisture content =	35.3%

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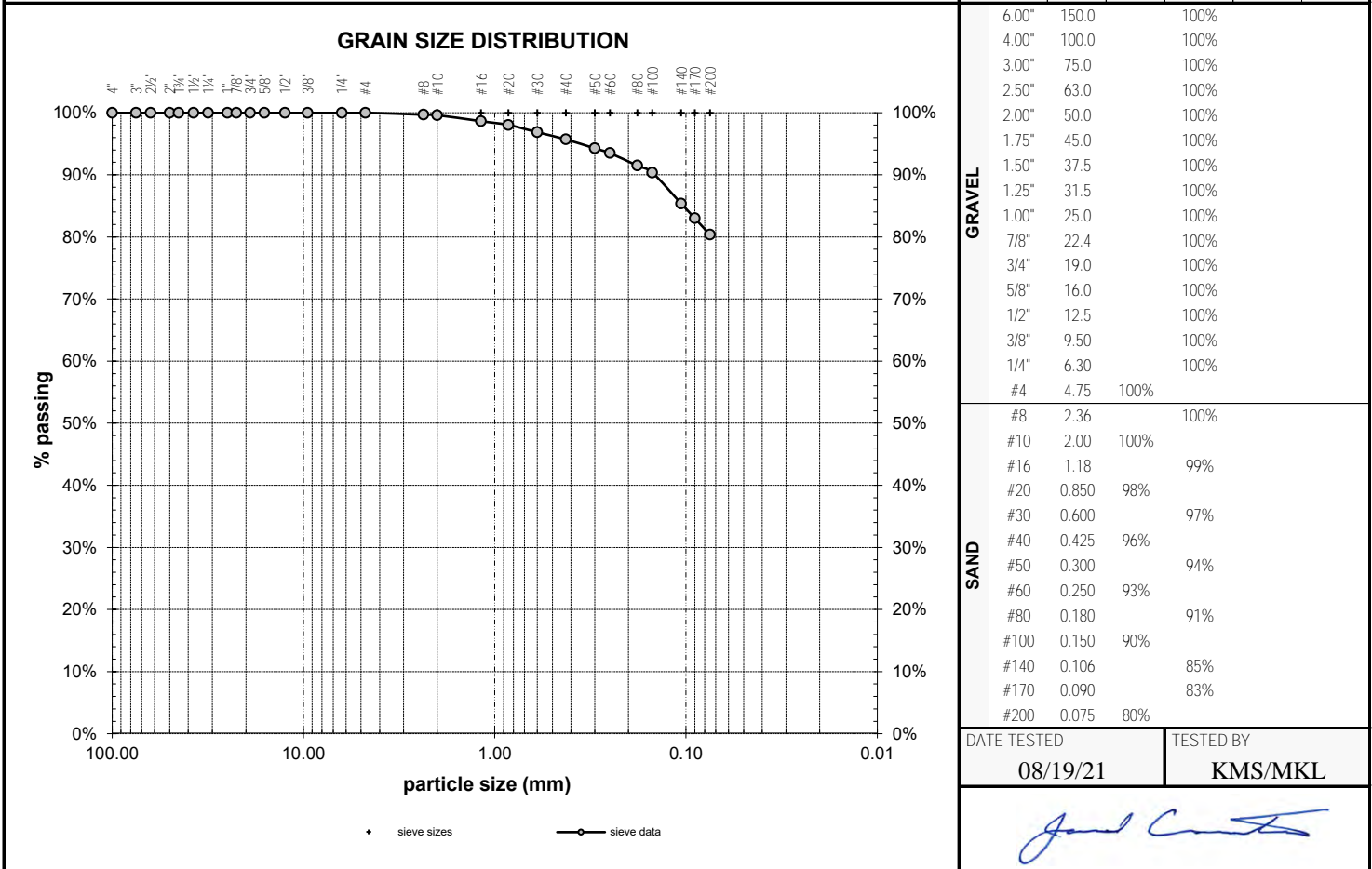
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MATERIAL DATA		
MATERIAL SAMPLED Lean CLAY with Sand	MATERIAL SOURCE Test Pit, TP-08 depth = 5 feet	USCS SOIL TYPE CL, Lean Clay with Sand

SPECIFICATIONS none	AASHTO CLASSIFICATION A-6(11)
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LABORATORY TEST DATA	
LABORATORY EQUIPMENT Rainhart "Mary Ann" Sifter, moist prep, hand washed, 12" single sieve-set	TEST PROCEDURE ASTM D6913, Method A

ADDITIONAL DATA initial dry mass (g) = 177.81 as-received moisture content = 29.0% liquid limit = 37 plastic limit = 23 plasticity index = 14 fineness modulus = n/a	coefficient of curvature, $C_c$ = n/a coefficient of uniformity, $C_u$ = n/a effective size, $D_{(10)}$ = n/a $D_{(30)}$ = n/a $D_{(60)}$ = n/a	SIEVE DATA % gravel = 0.0% % sand = 19.6% % silt and clay = 80.4%
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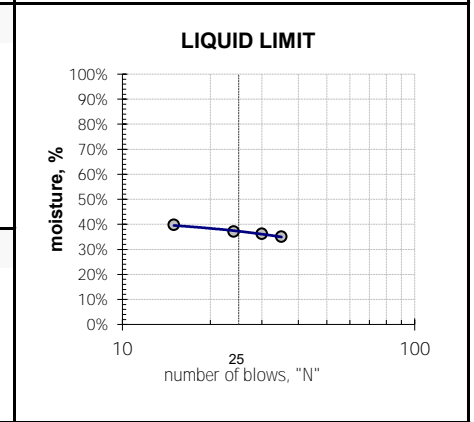
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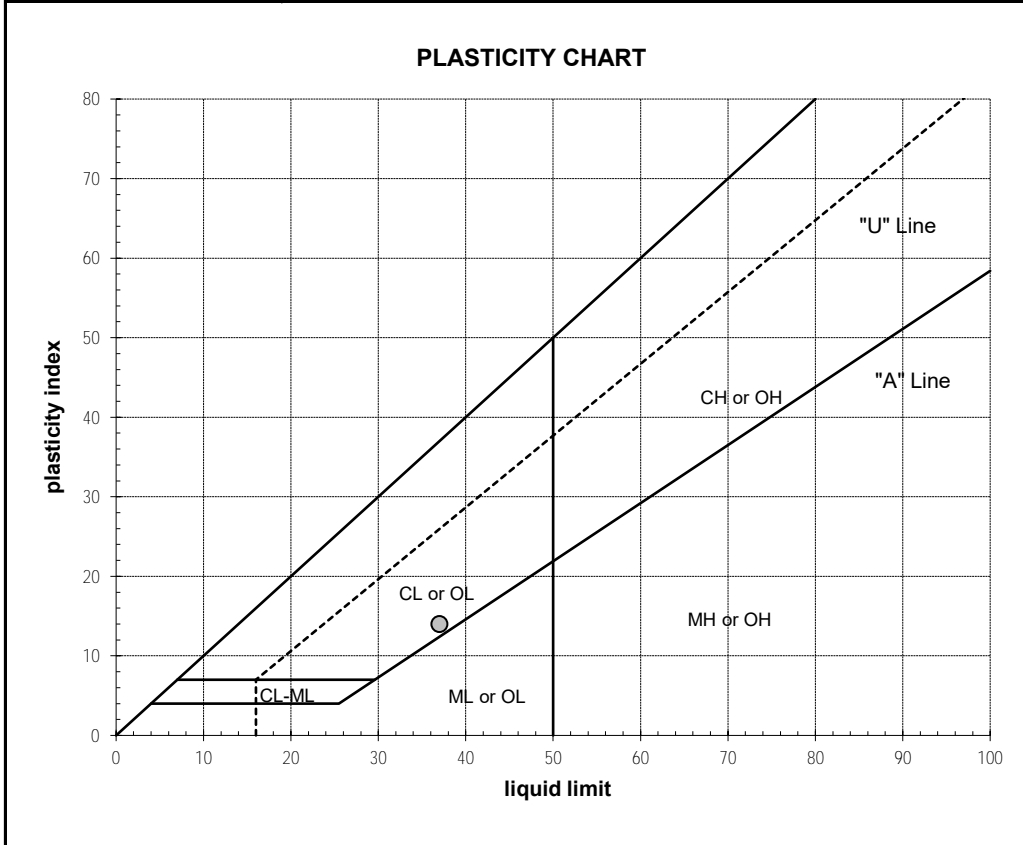
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<b>ADDITIONAL DATA</b>	
% gravel =	0.0%
% sand =	19.6%
% silt and clay =	80.4%
% silt =	n/a
% clay =	n/a
moisture content =	29.0%

<b>DATE TESTED</b> 08/19/21	<b>TESTED BY</b> KMS

**APPENDIX B**  
**SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION LOGS**



## TEST PIT LOG

PROJECT NAME <b>Lockwood Meadows Subdivision</b>		CLIENT <b>PLS Engineering</b>		PROJECT NO. <b>21172</b>	TEST PIT NO. <b>TP-1</b>
PROJECT LOCATION <b>La Center, Washington</b>		CONTRACTOR <b>L&amp;S Contractors</b>	EQUIPMENT <b>Excavator</b>	ENGINEER/GEOLOGIST <b>EMU / CWS</b>	DATE <b>07/27/21</b>
TEST PIT LOCATION <b>See Figure 2</b>		APPROX. SURFACE ELEVATION <b>156 ft amsl</b>	GROUNDWATER DEPTH <b>Not Observed</b>	START TIME <b>0819</b>	FINISH TIME <b>0842</b>

Depth (feet)	Sample Field ID	SCS Soil Survey Description	AASHTO Soil Type	USCS Soil Type	Graphic Log	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION AND REMARKS	Moisture Content (%)	Passing No. 200 Sieve (%)	Liquid Limit	Plasticity Index	Infiltration Testing
0						Approximately 8 to 10 inches of grass and topsoil.					
5		Hillsboro Silt Loam	A-4(4)	ML		Light brown to brown, mottled, damp to moist, SILT with sand [Soil Type 2].					
10	TP1.1					Becomes gray and moist at 10 feet.	35.0	83.1	32	5	TP1.1 D = 1.0-ft k < 0.06 in/hr
15						Bottom of test pit at 14 feet bgs. Groundwater not observed on 07/27/21.					

## TEST PIT LOG


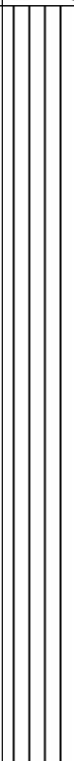

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PROJECT LOCATION <b>La Center, Washington</b>		CONTRACTOR <b>L&amp;S Contractors</b>	EQUIPMENT <b>Excavator</b>	ENGINEER/GEOLOGIST <b>EMU / CWS</b>	DATE <b>07/27/21</b>
TEST PIT LOCATION <b>See Figure 2</b>		APPROX. SURFACE ELEVATION <b>188 ft amsl</b>	GROUNDWATER DEPTH <b>Not Observed</b>	START TIME <b>0850</b>	FINISH TIME <b>0920</b>

Depth (feet)	Sample Field ID	SCS Soil Survey Description	AASHTO Soil Type	USCS Soil Type	Graphic Log	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION AND REMARKS	Moisture Content (%)	Passing No. 200 Sieve (%)	Liquid Limit	Plasticity Index	Infiltration Testing
0						Approximately 8 to 10 inches of grass and topsoil.					
5		Gee Silt Loam	A-4	ML		Light brown to gray, mottled, damp to moist, SILT with sand [Soil Type 2].  Becomes brown and moist at 2.5 feet.					
10											
15						Bottom of test pit at 13 feet bgs. Groundwater not observed on 07/27/21.					



## TEST PIT LOG


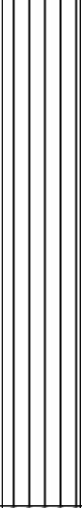
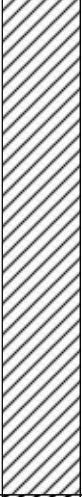

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PROJECT LOCATION <b>La Center, Washington</b>		CONTRACTOR <b>L&amp;S Contractors</b>	EQUIPMENT <b>Excavator</b>	ENGINEER/GEOLOGIST <b>EMU / CWS</b>	DATE <b>07/27/21</b>
TEST PIT LOCATION <b>See Figure 2</b>		APPROX. SURFACE ELEVATION <b>190 ft amsl</b>	GROUNDWATER DEPTH <b>Not Observed</b>	START TIME <b>0923</b>	FINISH TIME <b>0947</b>

Depth (feet)	Sample Field ID	SCS Soil Survey Description	AASHTO Soil Type	USCS Soil Type	Graphic Log	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION AND REMARKS	Moisture Content (%)	Passing No. 200 Sieve (%)	Liquid Limit	Plasticity Index	Infiltration Testing
0	TP3.1					Approximately 8 to 10 inches of grass and topsoil.	35.6	67.7	40	13	
5		Odne Silt Loam	A-6(8)	ML		Light brown, damp to moist, sandy SILT [Soil Type 2].  Becomes brown, mottled, and moist at 3 feet.					
10			A-6	CL		Brown, moist, lean CLAY with sand [Soil Type 3].					
15						Bottom of test pit at 13 feet bgs. Groundwater not observed on 07/27/21.					




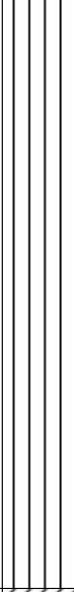


## TEST PIT LOG

PROJECT NAME <b>Lockwood Meadows Subdivision</b>		CLIENT <b>PLS Engineering</b>		PROJECT NO. <b>21172</b>	TEST PIT NO. <b>TP-5</b>
PROJECT LOCATION <b>La Center, Washington</b>		CONTRACTOR <b>L&amp;S Contractors</b>	EQUIPMENT <b>Excavator</b>	ENGINEER/GEOLOGIST <b>EMU / CWS</b>	DATE <b>07/27/21</b>
TEST PIT LOCATION <b>See Figure 2</b>		APPROX. SURFACE ELEVATION <b>184 ft amsl</b>	GROUNDWATER DEPTH <b>Not Observed</b>	START TIME <b>1022</b>	FINISH TIME <b>1042</b>

Depth (feet)	Sample Field ID	SCS Soil Survey Description	AASHTO Soil Type	USCS Soil Type	Graphic Log	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION AND REMARKS	Moisture Content (%)	Passing No. 200 Sieve (%)	Liquid Limit	Plasticity Index	Infiltration Testing
0						Approximately 8 to 12 inches of grass and topsoil.					
		Gee Silt Loam	A-4	ML		Light brown to brown, mottled, damp to moist, SILT with sand [Soil Type 2].					
5			A-6	CL		Brown to gray, moist, lean CLAY with sand [Soil Type 3].					
10			A-7	CH		Brown, moist, fat CLAY [Soil Type 4].					
15						Bottom of test pit at 14 feet bgs. Groundwater not observed on 07/27/21.					


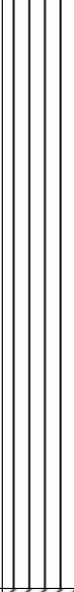


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PROJECT LOCATION <b>La Center, Washington</b>		CONTRACTOR <b>L&amp;S Contractors</b>	EQUIPMENT <b>Excavator</b>	ENGINEER/GEOLOGIST <b>EMU / CWS</b>	DATE <b>07/27/21</b>
TEST PIT LOCATION <b>See Figure 2</b>		APPROX. SURFACE ELEVATION <b>184 ft amsl</b>	GROUNDWATER DEPTH <b>Not Observed</b>	START TIME <b>1045</b>	FINISH TIME <b>1102</b>


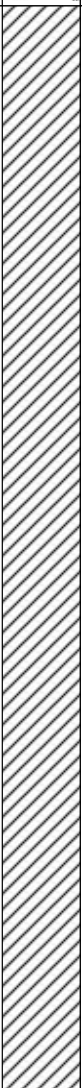
Depth (feet)	Sample Field ID	SCS Soil Survey Description	AASHTO Soil Type	USCS Soil Type	Graphic Log	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION AND REMARKS	Moisture Content (%)	Passing No. 200 Sieve (%)	Liquid Limit	Plasticity Index	Infiltration Testing
0						Approximately 8 to 10 inches of grass and topsoil.					
		Gee Silt Loam	A-4	ML		Light brown to gray, mottled, damp to moist, SILT with sand [Soil Type 2].					
5											
			A-6	CL		Brown, moist, lean CLAY with sand [Soil Type 3].					
10											
	TP6.1		A-7-6(30)	CH		Gray, moist, fat CLAY [Soil Type 4].	35.3	89.8	52	31	
15						Bottom of test pit at 14 feet bgs. Groundwater not observed on 07/27/21.					

## TEST PIT LOG

PROJECT NAME <b>Lockwood Meadows Subdivision</b>		CLIENT <b>PLS Engineering</b>		PROJECT NO. <b>21172</b>	TEST PIT NO. <b>TP-7</b>
PROJECT LOCATION <b>La Center, Washington</b>		CONTRACTOR <b>L&amp;S Contractors</b>	EQUIPMENT <b>Excavator</b>	ENGINEER/GEOLOGIST <b>EMU / CWS</b>	DATE <b>07/27/21</b>
TEST PIT LOCATION <b>See Figure 2</b>		APPROX. SURFACE ELEVATION <b>200 ft amsl</b>	GROUNDWATER DEPTH <b>Not Observed</b>	START TIME <b>1117</b>	FINISH TIME <b>1140</b>

Depth (feet)	Sample Field ID	SCS Soil Survey Description	AASHTO Soil Type	USCS Soil Type	Graphic Log	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION AND REMARKS	Moisture Content (%)	Passing No. 200 Sieve (%)	Liquid Limit	Plasticity Index	Infiltration Testing
0						Approximately 8 to 10 inches of grass and topsoil.					
5		Odne Silt Loam	A-4	ML		Light brown to brown, mottled, damp to moist, SILT with sand [Soil Type 2].					
10			A-6	CL		Brown to gray, moist, lean CLAY with sand [Soil Type 3].					
15			A-4	ML		Brown to gray, moist, SILT with sand [Soil Type 2].					
15						Bottom of test pit at 14 feet bgs. Groundwater not observed on 07/27/21.					

## TEST PIT LOG

PROJECT NAME					CLIENT		PROJECT NO.		TEST PIT NO.				
Lockwood Meadows Subdivision					PLS Engineering		21172		TP-8				
PROJECT LOCATION					CONTRACTOR		EQUIPMENT		ENGINEER/GEOLOGIST				
La Center, Washington					L&S Contractors		Excavator		EMU / CWS				
TEST PIT LOCATION					APPROX. SURFACE ELEVATION		GROUNDWATER DEPTH		START TIME				
See Figure 2					228 ft amsl		Not Observed		1145				
Depth (feet)	Sample Field ID	SCS Soil Survey Description	AASHTO Soil Type	USCS Soil Type	Graphic Log	LITHOLOGIC DESCRIPTION AND REMARKS			Moisture Content (%)	Passing No. 200 Sieve (%)	Liquid Limit	Plasticity Index	Infiltration Testing
0						Approximately 8 to 10 inches of grass and topsoil.							
5	TP8.1	Hillsboro Silt Loam	A-6(11)	CL		Brown, mottled, damp to moist, lean CLAY with sand [Soil Type 3].			29.0	80.4	37	14	TP8.1 D = 1.0-ft k < 0.06 in/hr
10						Becomes moist at 10 feet.							
15						Bottom of test pit at 14 feet bgs. Groundwater not observed on 07/27/21.							

**APPENDIX C**  
**SOIL CLASSIFICATION INFORMATION**

# SOIL DESCRIPTION AND CLASSIFICATION GUIDELINES

## Particle-Size Classification

COMPONENT	ASTM/USCS		AASHTO	
	size range	sieve size range	size range	sieve size range
Cobbles	> 75 mm	greater than 3 inches	> 75 mm	greater than 3 inches
Gravel	75 mm – 4.75 mm	3 inches to No. 4 sieve	75 mm – 2.00 mm	3 inches to No. 10 sieve
Coarse	75 mm – 19.0 mm	3 inches to 3/4-inch sieve	-	-
Fine	19.0 mm – 4.75 mm	3/4-inch to No. 4 sieve	-	-
Sand	4.75 mm – 0.075 mm	No. 4 to No. 200 sieve	2.00 mm – 0.075 mm	No. 10 to No. 200 sieve
Coarse	4.75 mm – 2.00 mm	No. 4 to No. 10 sieve	2.00 mm – 0.425 mm	No. 10 to No. 40 sieve
Medium	2.00 mm – 0.425 mm	No. 10 to No. 40 sieve	-	-
Fine	0.425 mm – 0.075 mm	No. 40 to No. 200 sieve	0.425 mm – 0.075 mm	No. 40 to No. 200 sieve
Fines (Silt and Clay)	< 0.075 mm	Passing No. 200 sieve	< 0.075 mm	Passing No. 200 sieve

## Consistency for Cohesive Soil

CONSISTENCY	SPT N-VALUE (BLOWS PER FOOT)	POCKET PENETROMETER (UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH, tsf)
Very Soft	2	less than 0.25
Soft	2 to 4	0.25 to 0.50
Medium Stiff	4 to 8	0.50 to 1.0
Stiff	8 to 15	1.0 to 2.0
Very Stiff	15 to 30	2.0 to 4.0
Hard	30 to 60	greater than 4.0
Very Hard	greater than 60	-

## Relative Density for Granular Soil

RELATIVE DENSITY	SPT N-VALUE (BLOWS PER FOOT)
Very Loose	0 to 4
Loose	4 to 10
Medium Dense	10 to 30
Dense	30 to 50
Very Dense	more than 50

## Moisture Designations

TERM	FIELD IDENTIFICATION
Dry	No moisture. Dusty or dry.
Damp	Some moisture. Cohesive soils are usually below plastic limit and are moldable.
Moist	Grains appear darkened, but no visible water is present. Cohesive soils will clump. Sand will bulk. Soils are often at or near plastic limit.
Wet	Visible water on larger grains. Sand and silt exhibit dilatancy. Cohesive soil can be readily remolded. Soil leaves wetness on the hand when squeezed. Soil is much wetter than optimum moisture content and is above plastic limit.



# AASHTO SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

**TABLE 1. Classification of Soils and Soil-Aggregate Mixtures**

General Classification	Granular Materials (35 Percent or Less Passing .075 mm)				Silt-Clay Materials (More than 35 Percent Passing 0.075)		
Group Classification	A-1	A-3	A-2	A-4	A-5	A-6	A-7
<u>Sieve analysis, percent passing:</u>							
2.00 mm (No. 10)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0.425 mm (No. 40)	50 max	51 min	-	-	-	-	-
0.075 mm (No. 200)	25 max	10 max	35 max	36 min	36 min	36 min	36 min
<u>Characteristics of fraction passing 0.425 mm (No. 40)</u>							
Liquid limit				40 max	41 min	40 max	41 min
Plasticity index	6 max	N.P.		10 max	10 max	11 min	11 min
General rating as subgrade	Excellent to good				Fair to poor		

Note: The placing of A-3 before A-2 is necessary in the "left to right elimination process" and does not indicate superiority of A-3 over A-2.

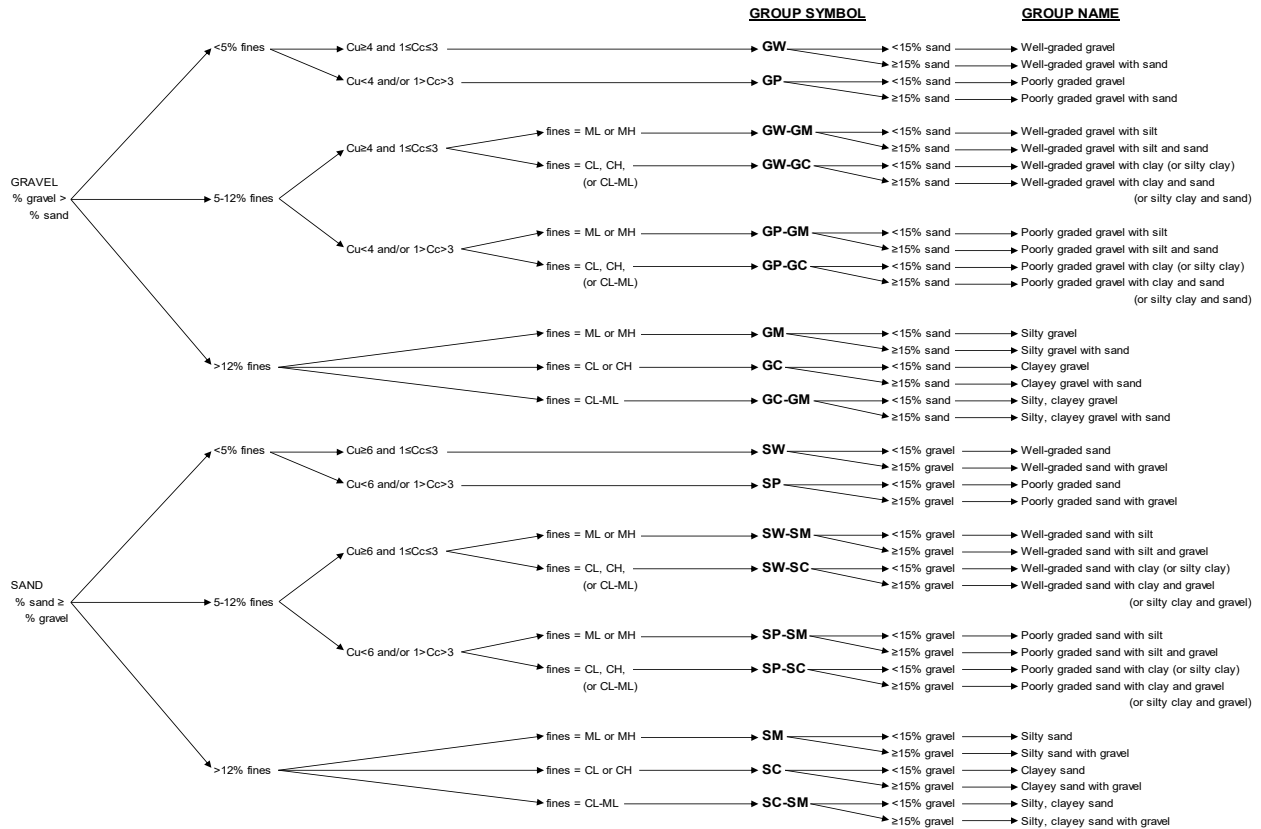
**TABLE 2. Classification of Soils and Soil-Aggregate Mixtures**

General Classification	Granular Materials (35 Percent or Less Passing 0.075 mm)							Silt-Clay Materials (More than 35 Percent Passing 0.075 mm)			
Group Classification	A-1-a	A-1-b	A-3	A-2-4	A-2-5	A-2-6	A-2-7	A-4	A-5	A-6	A-7
<u>Sieve analysis, percent passing:</u>											
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0.425 mm (No. 40)	30 max	50 max	51 min	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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<u>Characteristics of fraction passing 0.425 mm (No. 40)</u>											
Liquid limit				40 max	41 min	40 max	41 min	40 max	41 min	40 max	41 min
Plasticity index	6 max		N.P.	10 max	10 max	11 min	11 min	10 max	10 max	11 min	11 min
Usual types of significant constituent materials	Stone fragments, gravel and sand		Fine sand	Silty or clayey gravel and sand				Silty soils		Clayey soils	
General ratings as subgrade	Excellent to Good							Fair to poor			

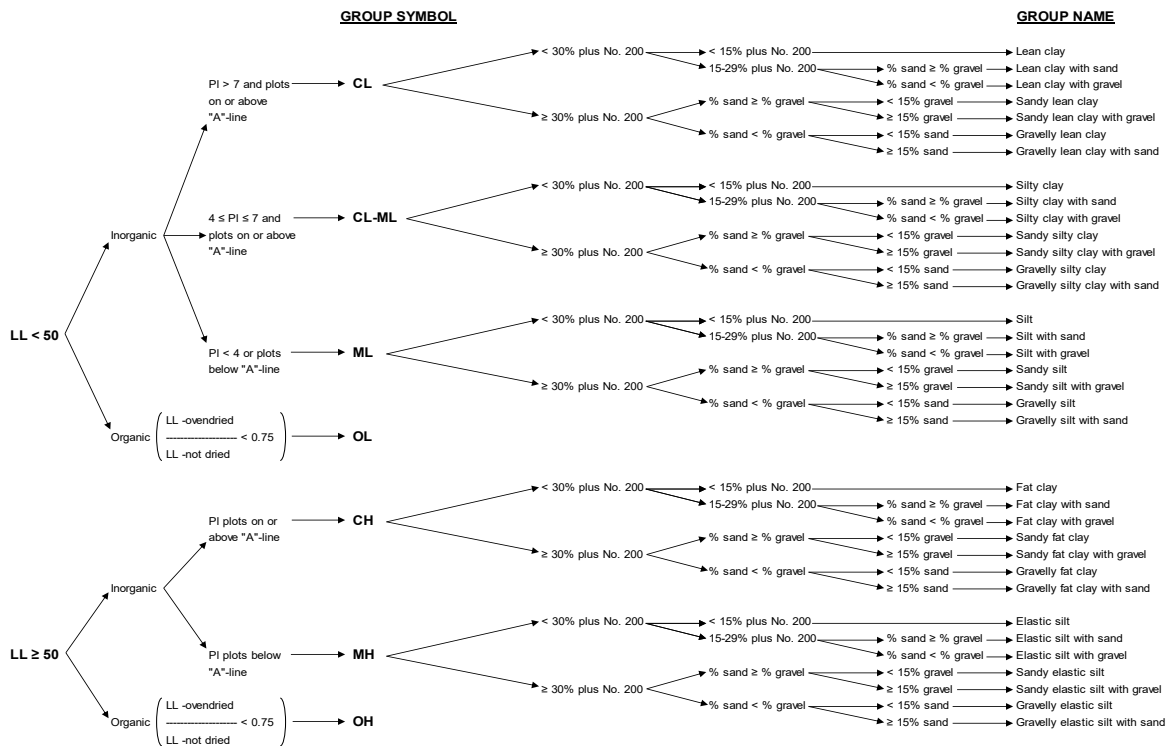
Note: Plasticity index of A-7-5 subgroup is equal to or less than LL minus 30. Plasticity index of A-7-6 subgroup is greater than LL minus 30 (see Figure 2).

AASHTO = American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

# USCS SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM



Flow Chart for Classifying Coarse-Grained Soils (More Than 50% Retained on No. 200 Sieve)



Flow Chart for Classifying Fine-Grained Soil (50% or More Passes No. 200 Sieve)

**APPENDIX D  
PHOTO LOG**



## LOCKWOOD MEADOWS SUBDIVISION

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**North Site View, Facing East**





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East Site View, Facing West



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**Central Site Area, Facing West**

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Typical Soil Profile, TP-5

**APPENDIX E**  
**REPORT LIMITATIONS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION**



Date: September 23, 2021  
Project: Lockwood Meadows Subdivision  
La Center, Washington

## **Geotechnical and Environmental Report Limitations and Important Information**

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