

# **INFORMATION HANDOUT**

## **MATERIALS INFORMATION**

Foundation Report for Distressed Slope Repair (Bridge No. 35E0035)  
Dated March 15, 2011

Foundation Review  
Dated July 11, 2011

## Memorandum

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Date: March 15, 2011

Attention: Gordon Danke  
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File: 04-SM-84 PM 22.0/22.1  
04-4S5901  
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Slope Failure Repair  
Woodside Road

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Subject: Foundation Report for Distressed Slope Repair

This memo supersedes our previous Foundation Report dated February 12, 2011 for the repair of the sliding slope located on the north side of westbound Route 84 (Woodside Road), near the intersection of Southgate Road in the City of Woodside, San Mateo County, California (Figure 1).

### SCOPE OF WORK

We have performed a geotechnical investigation to determine the possible causes of the sliding slope, and developed a repair plan. The scope of work includes the following:

- Visual observations of the distressed roadway during our site visits on October 29, 2009 and January 14, 2010.
- Review of Route 84 As-built plans.
- Subsurface exploration consisting of two exploratory borings advanced to an approximate depth of 31.5 ft and 65.0 ft in March 2010.
- One slope inclinometer was installed to a depth of approximately 60 ft in one borehole, and one piezometer was installed to depth of approximately 30 ft in the other borehole. Periodic readings of the slope inclinometer and piezometer were recorded.
- Engineering analyses and preparation of the repair recommendation.

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## PROJECT SITE DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND

### Site Description

The subject site is located along the north side of Route 84 (Woodside Road) near the intersection of Southgate Road (Figure 2). At this location, Route 84 is a four lane highway with a center turn lane and shoulders. The roadway is constructed of asphalt concrete (AC), which has been overlaid periodically within the slide area to compensate for the roadway settlement. The subject site is approximately located at the top of a 60 ft high slope. The slope is approximately 2 (H): 1 (V), and is vegetated with grass, shrubs, and small trees. There are no structures located on the slope at the subject site. A city street is located at the bottom of the slope.

### Site History

The current configuration of Route 84 (Woodside Road), at the subject site, was completed in the early 1970s. This section of Woodside Road was originally Route 114 according to the as-built plans. According to the Caltrans records, there were three slope failures along westbound Route 84 between Route 280 and Southgate Road in 1983. The repairs were completed in 1984. The first two locations are west of the subject site, and required retaining structures to stabilize the slopes. The slope at the subject site was rebuilt. The repair included removal and re-compaction of the slide material, construction of a drainage blanket, and installation of horizontal drains. An earth buttress was constructed at the toe of the slide repair with material from the adjacent repair site. The horizontal drains continue to function, and periodic readings were recorded.

The Caltrans files indicate that cracking of the roadway appeared shortly after the repair was completed in 1984. Caltrans records indicate that a slope inclinometer and two piezometers were installed at the subject site in 1984. Caltrans files indicate the slope inclinometer was monitored through 1989. The slope inclinometer data indicate that there was movement at a depth approximately 30 ft below the ground surface. This slope inclinometer could not be located during the investigation due to the AC overlays of the subject site. The subject site has been monitored and repaired by Caltrans Maintenance over the years. The repairs consist of crack sealing and AC overlays. The Office of Geotechnical Design – West was requested to investigate the settlement, and pavement cracking in 2009.

### Site Observations

Site observations indicated that the distressed roadway section has signs of settlement, and cracking of the pavement in a near circular pattern. The cracking of the pavement starts on the shoulder of westbound Route 84, crosses the right lane and extends half way into the left lane,

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and continues back to the westbound shoulder. The length of the distressed roadway section is approximately 160 ft.

## SITE GEOLOGY AND SEISMICITY

### Geology

The geology of the project site consists of marine sedimentary rocks of the middle to lower Eocene Whiskey Hill Formation (Figure 3). Brabb, *et al* (1998), describe the Whiskey Hill Formation as coarse-grained light-gray to buff sandstone, silty claystone, glauconitic sandstone, and tuffaceous siltstone with chaotic interbeds of claystone. Geologic mapping by Brabb *et al* (1998) show the bedrock to be gently folded at the project site with moderate dips (~45°) both northeast and southwest. Borings recovered from the project site indicate the bedrock consists primarily of a soft, moderately fractured grayish brown claystone.

### Natural Slope Stability

Extensive construction of highways and roads has obscured natural slopes. Much of the topography seen at the present is man-made. There have been several slide repairs adjacent to the proposed project location. No other slides have been observed within the project limits.

### Seismicity

The project lies in the seismically active San Francisco Bay area and is prone to strong ground shaking (Figure 4). Table No. 1 below lists the major faults in the region, their distance from the project site, maximum credible earthquake magnitudes, and peak bedrock accelerations anticipated at the site (Caltrans 2007 Fault Database).

([http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/earthquake\\_engineering/SDC\\_site/](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/earthquake_engineering/SDC_site/)).

Table 1 Faults, Maximum Credible Earthquake Magnitudes, and Peak Bedrock Accelerations

| FAULT       | Distance (mi)* | Maximum Credible Earthquake Magnitude** | Maximum Peak Bedrock Acceleration |
|-------------|----------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| San Andreas | 2              | 7.9                                     | 0.67 g                            |
| Hayward     | 16.5           | 7.3                                     | 0.23 g                            |
| Calaveras   | 22             | 7.4                                     | 0.17 g                            |

\*Closest portion of the fault, measured in miles.

\*\* Moment Magnitude.

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## **FIELD INVESTIGATION AND FINDINGS**

### **Field Exploration and In-Situ Testing**

A subsurface investigation was conducted in March 2010, and consisted of two rotary wash borings. The borehole locations are shown on the Log-Of-Test Borings (LOTB). Borehole R-10-101 was drilled to a depth of 65 feet. Borehole R-10-102 was drilled to a depth of 31.5 feet. In-situ Standard Penetration Test (SPT) blow counts were recorded at every 5 ft interval to evaluate the consistency of the on-site soils and soil samples were obtained. Rock core samples were collected in borehole R-10-101. Selected soil and rock samples were then transported to geotechnical laboratory in Sacramento for testing.

A slope inclinometers (SI) was installed in borehole R-10-101, and a piezometer was installed in borehole R-10-102. Slope inclinometer results are located in Appendix A.

### **Laboratory Testing**

Selected soil and rock samples retrieved from the borings were tested to evaluate the properties pertinent to our analysis. The types of laboratory tests performed include the following: Laboratory test results are located in Appendix A.

- Atterberg Limits (AASHTO T 89, AASHTO T 90).
- Moisture Content (AASHTO T 265, ASTM D 2216).
- Corrosion (Soil Resistivity and Soil pH); Content California Test Methods (CTM) 643.
- Unconfined Compression (ASTM D 2166, ASTM D 2938).

The corrosion tests results are summarized in Table No. 6.

### **Subsurface Soil Conditions**

The soil and rock encountered during the subsurface investigation, as interpreted from borings R-10-101 and R-10-102 consists of a 20 to 25 feet thick layer of fill, a 20 to 25 feet layer of alluvium, overlaying sedimentary rock. The fill layer consists of a stiff to very stiff fat clay (CH) with gravel, and very stiff silt with sand (ML). The alluvium layer consists of a very stiff to hard fat clay (CH). The sedimentary rock is a soft, moderately fractured claystone.

### **Groundwater Conditions**

Periodic readings of the groundwater levels, from the piezometer in boring R-10-102, are shown in Table No. 2.

**Table 2- Periodic Groundwater Readings**

| Date       | Depth to water level (ft) | Groundwater elevation (ft) |
|------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 03/25/2010 | 12.30                     | 172.7                      |
| 04/13/2010 | 13.00                     | 172.0                      |
| 05/12/2010 | 12.80                     | 172.2                      |
| 06/09/2010 | 13.10                     | 171.9                      |
| 09/03/2010 | 13.90                     | 171.1                      |
| 10/01/2010 | 14.30                     | 170.7                      |
| 11/02/2010 | 14.55                     | 170.4                      |
| 11/23/2010 | 14.95                     | 170.0                      |
| 01/06/2011 | 12.60                     | 172.4                      |

Higher groundwater elevations can be anticipated depending on the amount of precipitation during the rainy season.

**SLIDE MATERIAL ENGINEERING PROPERTIES**

Soil/rock strength parameters of the sliding mass were determined using back-analysis of the landslide. The size of the sliding mass was estimated using slip-plane location (from SI data), head scarp location, and other geologic features. The soil parameters and pore water pressure parameters determined by back-analysis are summarized in Table No. 3.

**Table 3. Back-calculated Soil/Rock Strength and Pore Water Pressure Parameters**

| Soil/Rock Type     | Unit Weight (Pcf) | Internal Friction Angle (degrees) | Cohesion c, (Psf) | Pore water pressure Parameter, $r_u$ | Safety Factor (SF) |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Alluvium/Claystone | 130               | 20                                | 0                 | 0.41                                 | ~ 0.95             |

**GEOTECHNICAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

**Slope-Stability Analysis of the Proposed Repair**

**Wall Type**

The most viable repair strategy for this location is to construct a soldier pile tie-back wall. The retaining wall will be required from Station 101+42.31 to Station 103+32.31 for a length of 190

ft. The soldier beam tie-back wall shall be designed for a slide plane depth of 30 feet below ground surface (bgs), and a permanent retained height of 21 feet, and a temporary height of 23 feet above the finished grade. The lagging will need to be extended at least 2 feet below the finished grade.

**Stability Analysis of the Proposed Repair**

We performed a slope stability analysis of the proposed repair wall section using a specified slip-plane and the back-calculated soil/rock strength and water pressure parameters indicated in the above. The purpose of the analysis was to calculate the tie-back load required to increase the slide static factor of safety (FS) to 1.3 and seismic FS to 1.1. Our analysis shows that a retaining system that extends to the bottom of the slip-plane will require a two tie-backs rows anchor system. The results of the slope stability analysis are shown on Table No. 4. Horizontal drains will be installed near the base of the wall to reduce the pore water pressure behind the wall.

**Table 4.** Tie-back loads and safety factors

| Soil/Rock Type      | Unit Weight (Pcf) | Internal Friction Angle (degrees) | Cohesion c, (Psf) | Pore water pressure Parameter, $r_u$ | Tie-back Load in each row (2 rows) (Kips/ft) | Safety Factor (SF) | Case    |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------|---------|
| Alluvium/ Claystone | 130               | 20                                | 0                 | 0.20                                 | 21   | ~1.3               | Static  |
| Alluvium/ Claystone | 130               | 20                                | 0                 | 0.20                                 | 29   | ~1.1               | Seismic |

*A horizontal seismic coefficient of 0.20 was used in the seismic stability analyses.*

The piles should be spaced at a maximum spacing of 5 feet on center to create a more reasonable tie-back load for this site, and have full arching between the piles.

We recommend the following requirements/criteria for the proposed soldier beam pile tie-back retaining system design:

**Tie-back Anchor**

The minimum tie-back anchor loads per row (two rows) are given in Table No. 4, and based on the wall slope stability analysis. The minimum unbonded length is 50 feet for the upper tie-back anchor, and 45 ft for the lower tieback. We rely on passive pressure against the soldier piles as shown below.

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We recommend the following requirements/criteria for the anchored soldier pile retaining system design:

#### **Lateral Earth Pressures for Anchor Wall**

For active earth pressure against the wall/piles, use the following:

- For anchored wall constructed from the top down and restrained by ground anchors (tieback anchors) the lateral earth pressure acting on the wall height H, may be determined using the above calculated tieback load in accordance with Bridge Design Specifications dated August 2004 (BDS) Article 5.5.5.7.1, Figure 5.5.5.7.1-1.b (appendix B).

For passive earth pressure against the soldier piles, use the following:

- Use passive earth coefficient ( $K_p$ ) of 3.0. This  $K_p$  was computed using engineering properties of Claystone (internal friction angle  $\phi = 30^\circ$ , cohesion  $c = 0$  psf, and total unit weight of soil/rock  $\gamma = 130$  pcf).

For Friction Factor use  $\delta = 17^\circ$

For seismic earth pressure against the wall/piles, use a constant pressure of 19 H psf (rectangular pressure diagram), where H is the full wall design height.

For traffic loading use a constant pressure of 80 psf (rectangular pressure diagram) to a maximum depth of 10 ft below the top of the wall. This pressure is equivalent to a 2 ft of surcharge immediately behind the wall.

#### **Vertical Capacity of Soldier Piles**

Soldier piles should be embedded a minimum of 15 ft below slip-plane (Figure 5), and the pile spacing should not exceed 5 feet on center. We recommend a minimum total pile length of 50 feet.

The ultimate vertical compression and tension capacities of the piles are summarized in Table No. 5.

**Table 5** Pile Friction and Tip Compression Capacities

|  | Ultimate<br>ksf | Allowable<br>ksf |
|--|-----------------|------------------|
| Unit pile shaft friction per unit surface area of the pile length below the full design wall height. | 2.0             | 1.0 (SF=2)       |
| Pile tip compression bearing pressure per unit tip area of the soldier beam piles.                   | 15              | 5.0 (SF=3)       |

*Use 60% of the compression shaft resistance values to calculate the ultimate tension (uplift) resistance of the pile.*

**Drains**

We recommend installation of horizontal drains 15 feet on center along the base of the soldier pile tie-back wall. The horizontal drains will be installed 5 degree angle upward for a length of 60 ft. The horizontal drain should consist of 1.5 inch diameter slotted PVC pipe (0.020" slots). The horizontal drains are needed to reduce pore water pressure for the tie-back anchors. If the finished grade in front of the wall is raised by the placement of fill, all horizontal drains outlets must be connected to an 8 inch PVC pipe anchored on wall face and extended outside of the fill with a minimum grade of 2.0%. The pipe outlet shall be discharge into a down drain pipe. Please consult with Central District Hydraulics Branch for details of the outlet requirements.

The as-built plans for the slide repair in 1983 indicate three horizontal drains were installed in 1984. Two of the three horizontal drains are located within the proposed retaining wall limits. There is one drain line from the drainage blanket of the previous slide repaired. A copy of the as-built plan for the horizontal drains and the drainage blanket are in Appendix A. The proposed soldier tie-back wall is located approximately between station 287+75 and station 289+75 on the A Line of the as-built plans for the horizontal drains. Caltrans has measured the outflow from these drains over the years, and copies of the outflows rates are located in Appendix A.

**CORROSION**

The pH and Resistivity test results indicate that the site is non-corrosive (per Caltrans Corrosion guide dated September 2003), and are shown in Table No. 6. Use Standard corrosion protection measures for this project. Corrosion test results are in Appendix A.

**Table 6** Corrosion Test Results

| Boring   | Depth (ft) | pH   | Resistivity<br>ohm-cm |
|----------|------------|------|-----------------------|
| R-10-101 | 14-15      | 7.03 | 1081                  |

### CONSTRUCTION CONSIDERATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

The following construction considerations and requirements should be included in the design and construction specifications for the proposed wall.

- The installation of the soldier beam piles must be completed prior to the placing of any temporary fill required for a construction bench in face of wall. No fill shall be placed on the slide area before all piles are in place.
- The contractor will encounter difficulties during the drilling of the soldier beam piles and tie-back anchor holes due to the high groundwater levels at the proposed site.
- During the drilling for the soldier pile beams, the contractor will encounter a drainage blanket, which consisting of filter fabric and gravel. The drainage blanket was installed as part of the previous slide repair. Two of the three horizontal drains installed from the previous slide repair maybe encountered during the drilling of the soldier beam piles (see as-built plans in Appendix A).
- During the drilling operation for the proposed soldier beam piles, we believe that some caving of the drilled holes will likely occur. Thus, use of temporary casing is required. Due to the groundwater elevations, the installation of soldier piles will likely require dewatering of the borehole before the concrete is placed. The current Caltrans practice for soldier beam pile construction does not allow the use of slurry. Therefore, the use of temporary casing and dewatering is required when groundwater is encountered during construction of the soldier beam pile.
- The maximum load for the testing of the tie-back anchors shall not exceed 1.3 of the design load.
- Installation of the soldier beam piles should be performed in accordance with Section 49-4 of the May 2006 Caltrans Standard Specifications.

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- The drilling and concrete placement for soldier beam piles construction shall be staggered. No two adjacent holes can be open at the same time. The drilled hole for the soldier beam piles can't be left open overnight.
- Contact our office immediately, if any drilled hole encounters an existing horizontal drain, so we can evaluate the need for additional measures.

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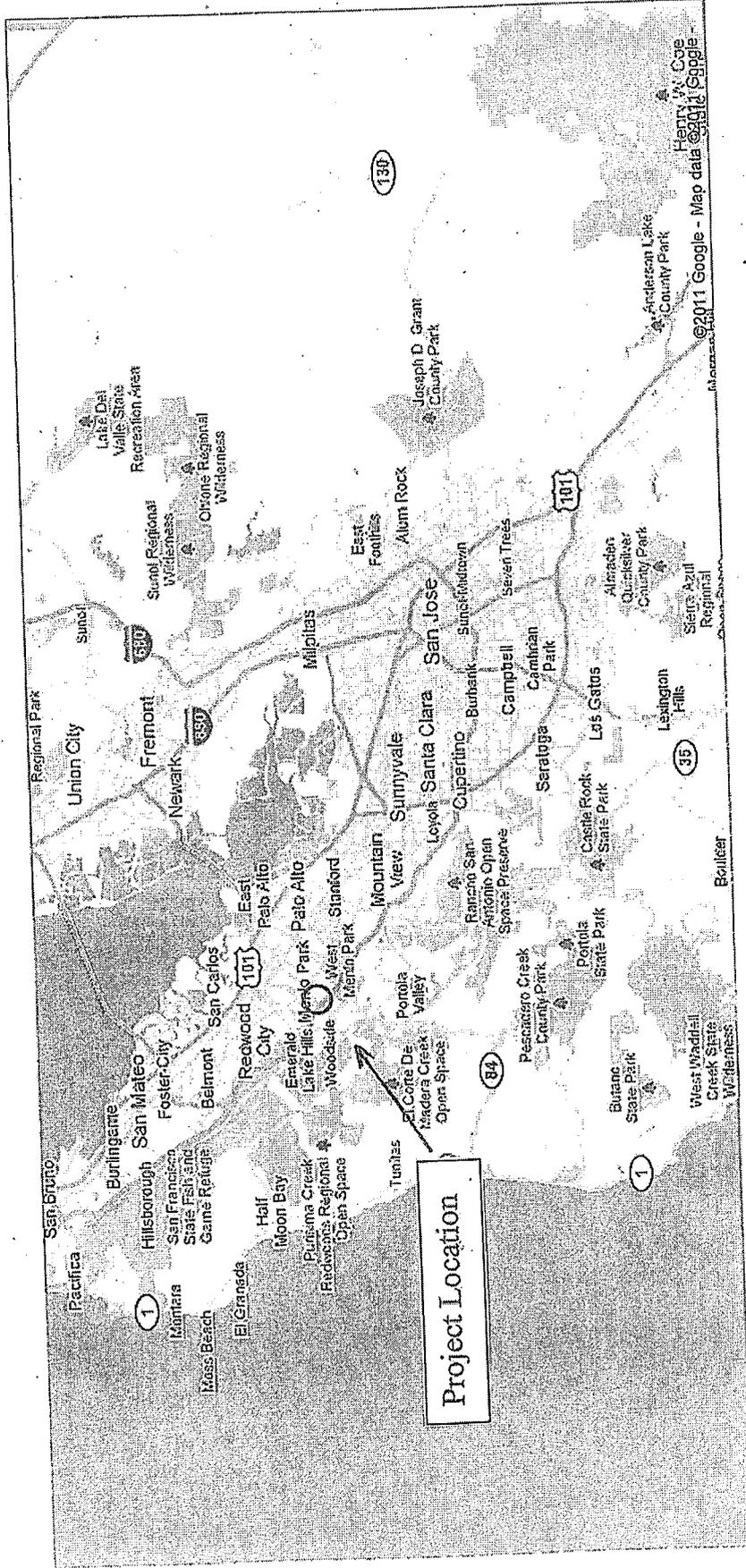
Should you have any questions, please call me at (510) 622-0104 or Mahmood Momenzadeh at (510) 286-5732.

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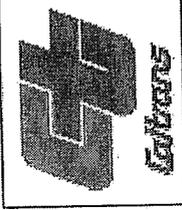
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**Project Location**



**Figure 1 - Location Map**

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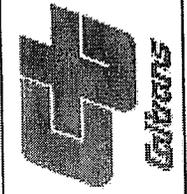
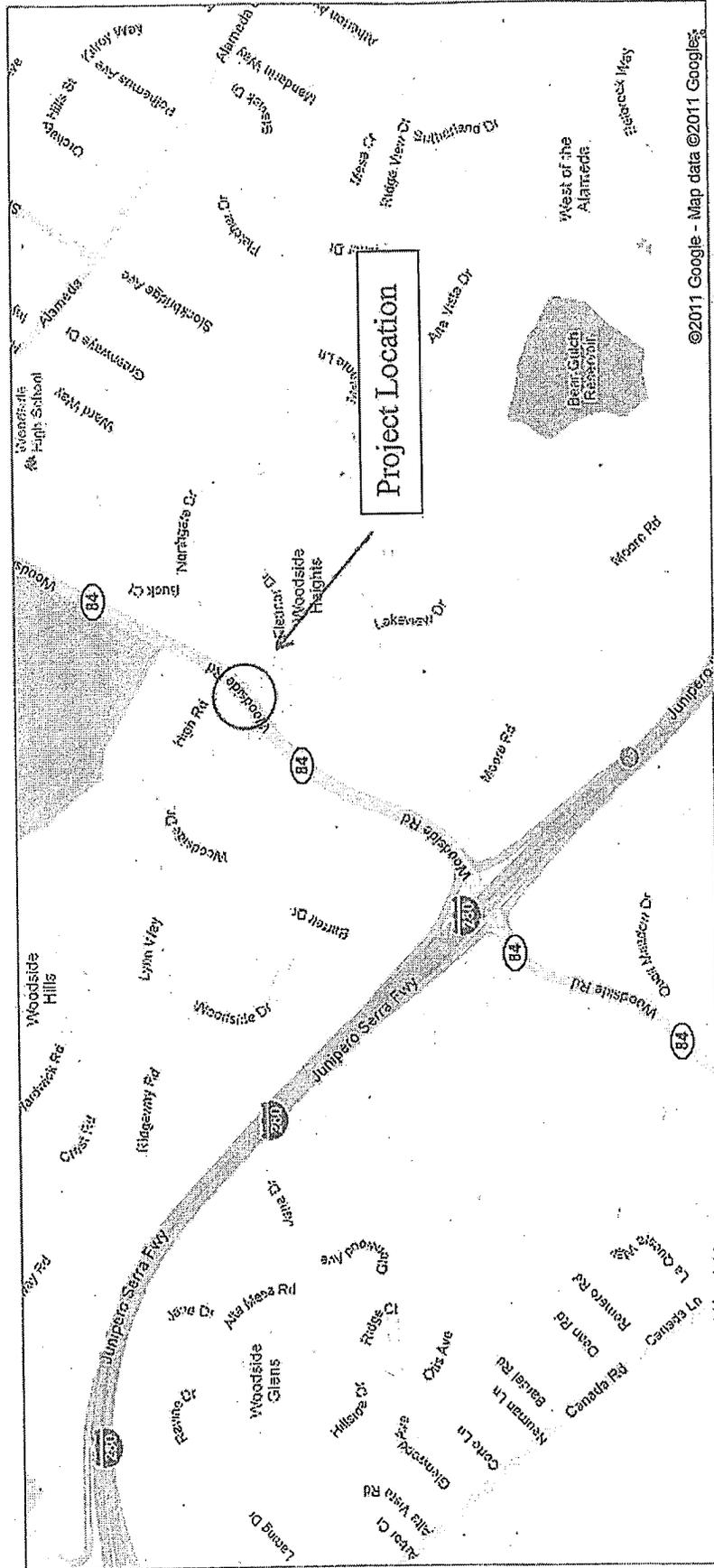
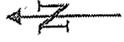


Figure 2 - Vicinity Map

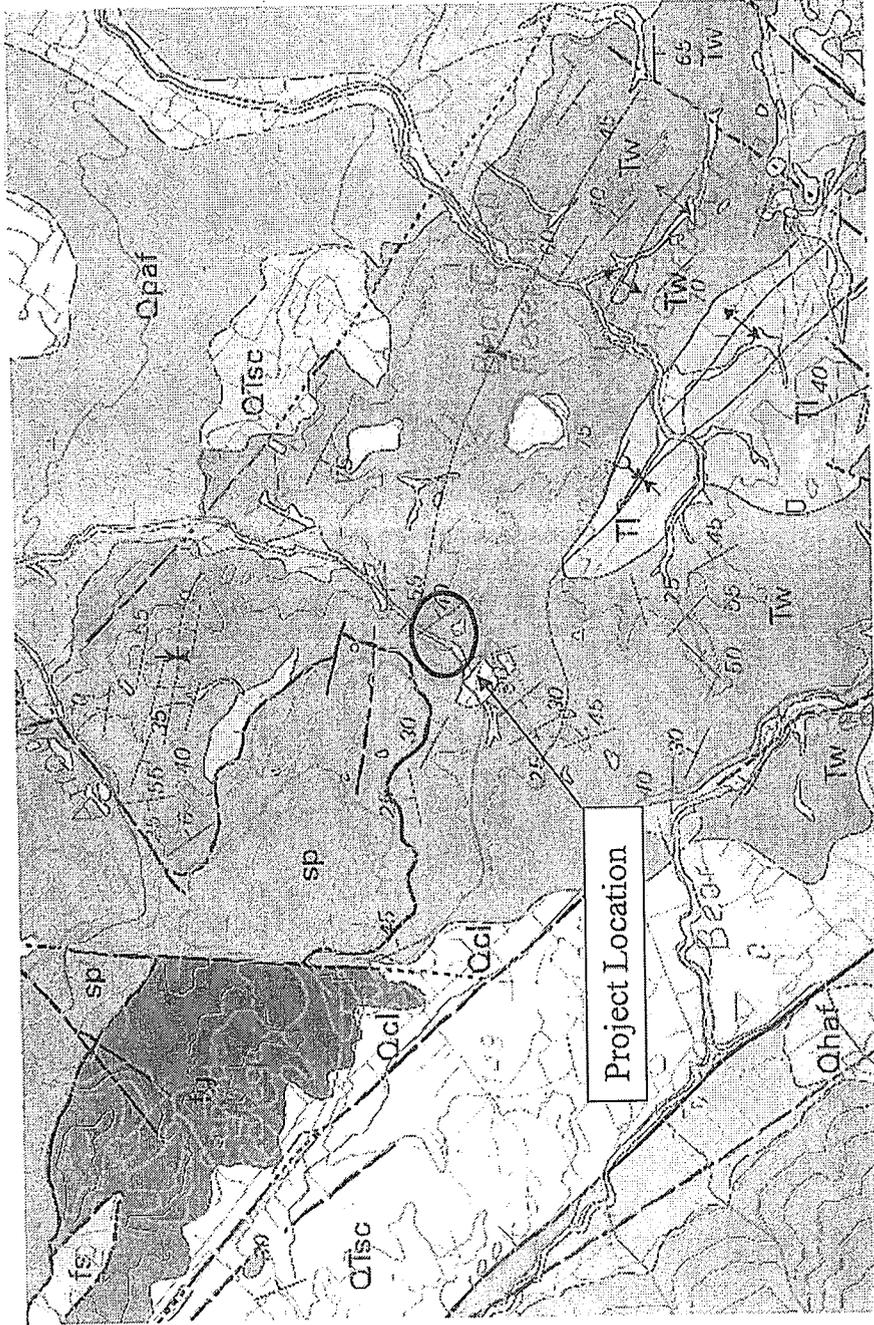
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Scale 1" = 1000 feet

Map Units

|      |                                       |
|------|---------------------------------------|
| af   | Artificial fill                       |
| all  | Artificial levee fill                 |
| Qhaf | Holocene alluvial fans                |
| Qcl  | Colluvium                             |
| Qsc  | Santa Clara Formation                 |
| Qaf  | Older alluvial fans                   |
| Tl   | Ladera Sandstone                      |
| Tw   | Whiskey Hill Formation                |
| KJl  | Franciscan Formation undifferentiated |
| ls   | Greenstone                            |
| ls   | Sandstone                             |
| lc   | Chert                                 |
| lm   | Limestone                             |
| sp   | Serpentinite                          |



Map Explanation

- Contact—Depositional or intrusive contact, dashed where approximately located, dotted where concealed
- Fault—Dashed where approximately located, small dashes where inferred, dotted where concealed, queried where location is uncertain
- Reverse or thrust fault—Dotted where concealed
- Anticline—Shows fold axis, dotted where concealed
- Syncline

- 20 — Strike and dip of bedding
- Overturned bedding
- Flat bedding
- Vertical bedding
- 35 — Strike and dip of foliation
- Vertical foliation
- 35 — Strike and dip of joints in plutonic rocks
- Vertical joint

Brabb, E.E, Graymer, R.W., and Jones, D.L., Geology of the Onshore Portion of San Mateo County, California, a Digital Database, USGS, 1998, OFR 98-137  
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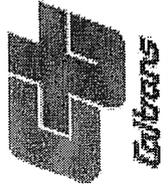
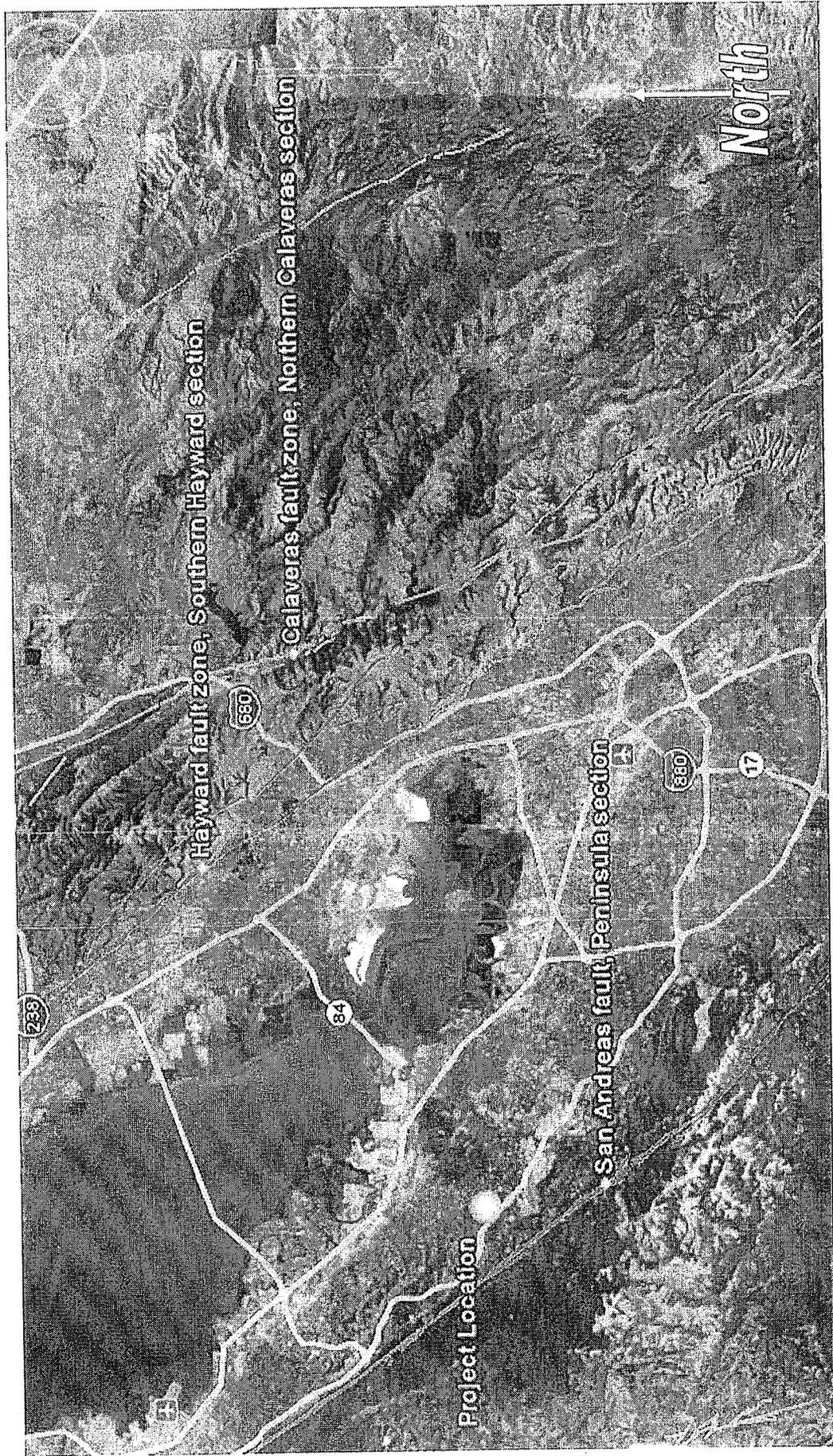


Figure 3 - Geology Map

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15 miles

U.S. Geological Survey and California Geological Survey, 2006, Quaternary fault and fold database for the United States, 12/01/2008, from USGS web site: <http://earthquakes.usgs.gov/regional/qfaults/>  
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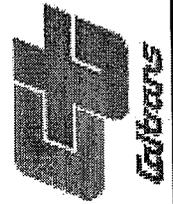


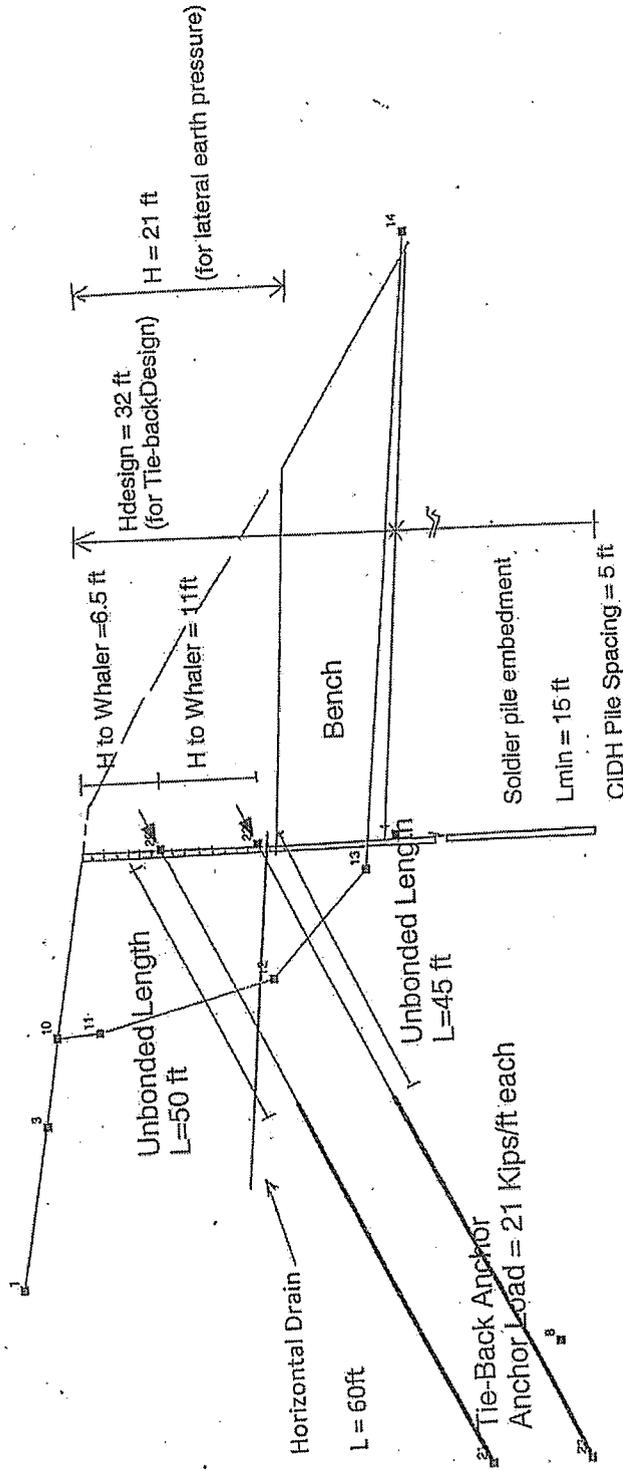
Figure 4 - Regional Fault Map

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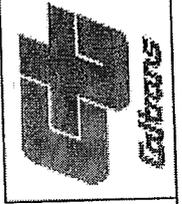


Figure 5 - Typical Cross Section

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## APPENDIX A

Slope Inclinator Readings

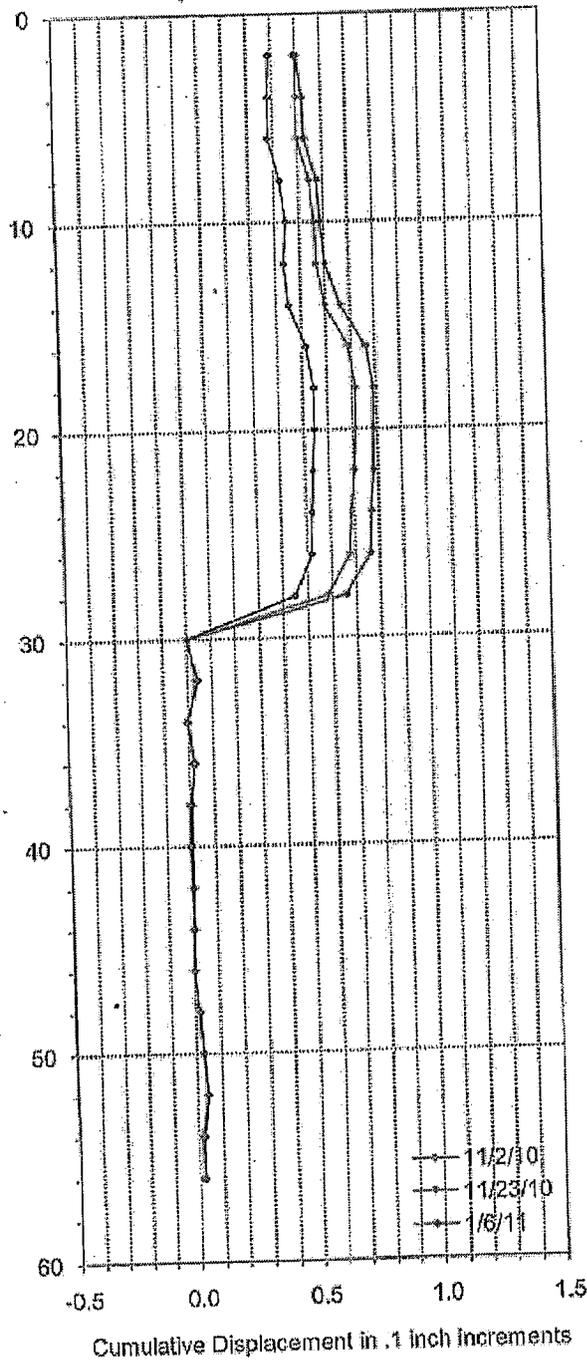
Laboratory Test Results

Out Flow Rates for Horizontal Drains

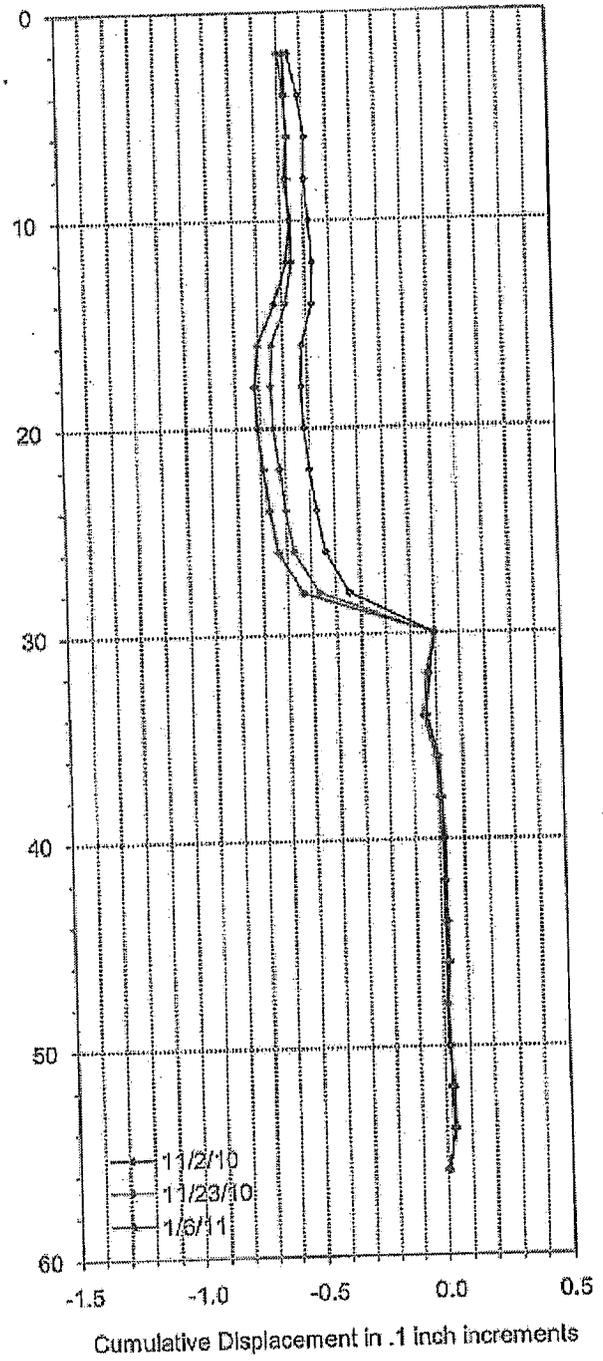
As-built for Horizontal Drains

# Cumulative Displacement (inches) since 3/25/2010

## A AXIS ( bias shift applied )



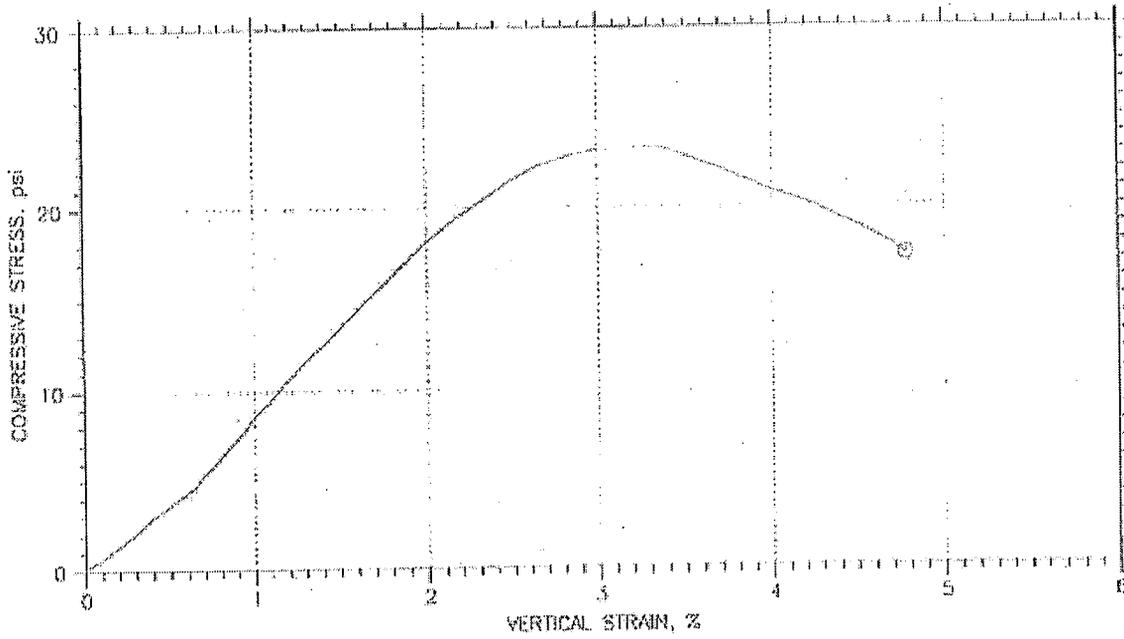
## B AXIS ( bias shift applied )



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|  | SOUTHGATE         | DES-OGDW Orinda Field Station   |
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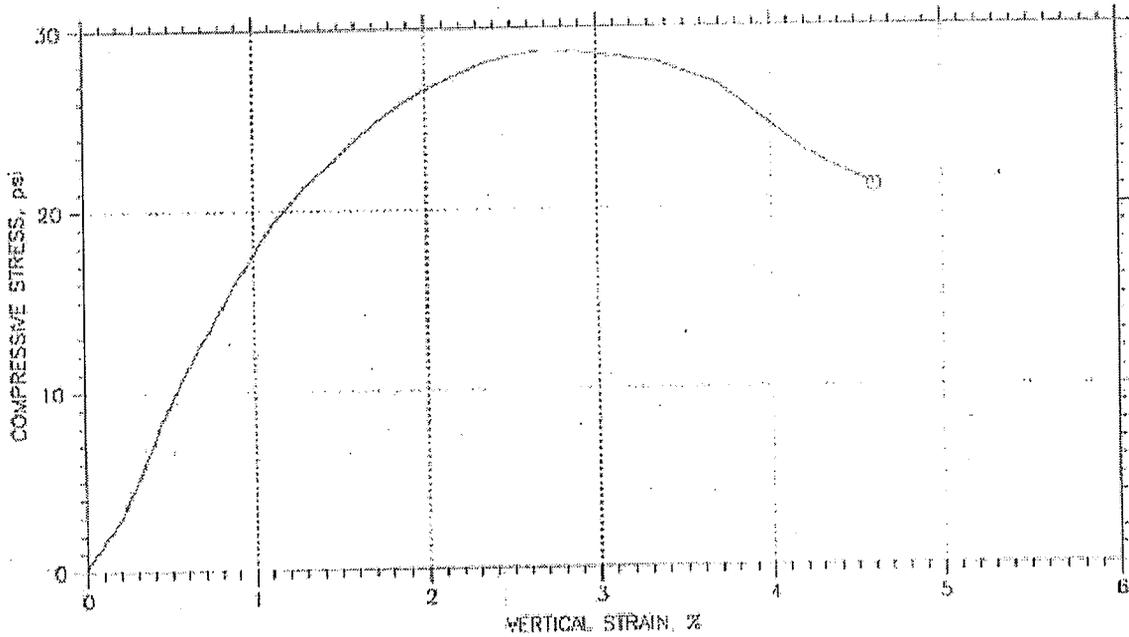
# UNCONFINED COMPRESSION TEST REPORT



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|---------|--------------------------------------|-----|-------|
| Symbol  | Ø                                    |     |       |
| Test No | Q10-071                              |     |       |
| Initial | Diameter, in                         |     | 2.33  |
|         | Height, in                           |     | 4.1   |
|         | Water Content, %                     |     | 19.36 |
|         | Dry Density, pcf                     |     | 106.8 |
|         | Saturation, %                        |     | ---   |
|         | Void Ratio                           |     | ---   |
|         | Unconfined Compressive Strength, psi |     | 23.29 |
|         | Undrained Shear Strength, psi        |     | ---   |
|         | Time to Failure, min                 |     | ---   |
|         | Strain Rate, %/min                   |     | 1     |
|         | Implied Specific Gravity             |     | ---   |
|         | Liquid Limit                         |     | ---   |
|         | Plastic Limit                        |     | ---   |
|         | Plasticity Index                     | --- |       |
|         | Failure Sketch                       |     |       |

|                      |                                    |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|
|                      | Project: Woodside Road             |
|                      | Location: 04-SM-84-22-22.1         |
|                      | Project No.: 04-4S5900             |
|                      | Boring No.: R10-101                |
|                      | Sample No.: 54.5-45                |
|                      | Description: MOIST GRAY SILTY CLAY |
| Remarks: ASTM D 2166 |                                    |

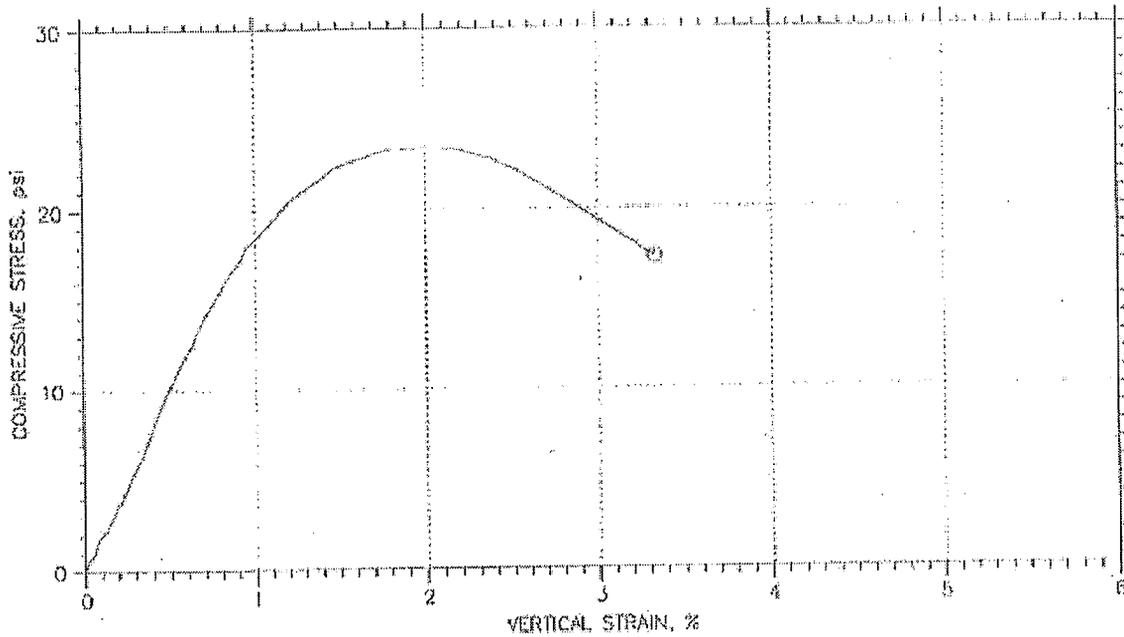
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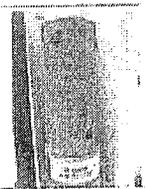


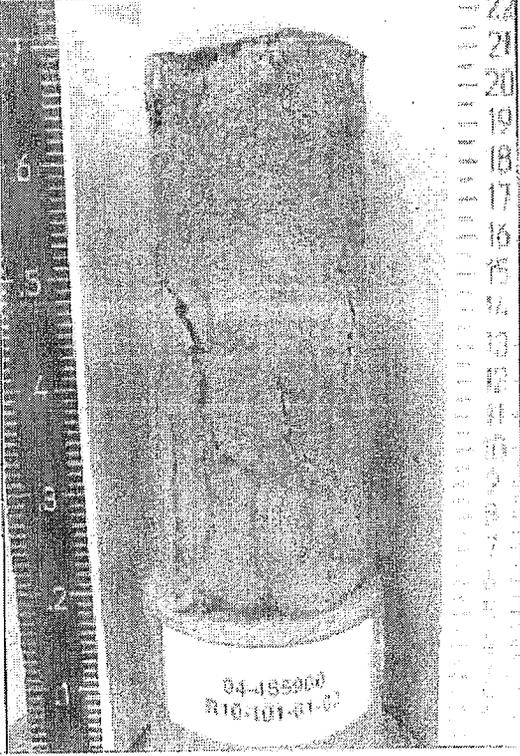
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| Test No.                             | Q10-072          |  |       |
| Soil                                 | Diameter, in     |  | 2.4   |
|                                      | Height, in       |  | 5.58  |
|                                      | Water Content, % |  | 19.8  |
|                                      | Dry Density, pcf |  | 110.9 |
|                                      | Saturation, %    |  |       |
| Void Ratio                           |                  |  |       |
| Unconfined Compressive Strength, psi | 28.7             |  |       |
| Undrained Shear Strength, psi        |                  |  |       |
| Time to Failure, min                 |                  |  |       |
| Strain Rate, %/min                   | 1                |  |       |
| Implied Specific Gravity             |                  |  |       |
| Liquid Limit                         | ---              |  |       |
| Plastic Limit                        | ---              |  |       |
| Plasticity Index                     | ---              |  |       |
| Failure Sketch                       |                  |  |       |

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|                      | Location: 04-SM-84-22-22.1         |
|                      | Project No.: 04-455900             |
|                      | Boring No.: R10-101                |
|                      | Sample No.: 56-57                  |
|                      | Description: MOIST GRAY SILTY CLAY |
| Remarks: ASTM D 2166 |                                    |

# UNCONFINED COMPRESSION TEST REPORT



|                                      |                  |   |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|---|
| Symbol                               |                  | ⊙   |
| Test No.                             |                  | Q10-073   |
| Initial                              | Diameter, in     | 2.46  |
|                                      | Height, in       | 5.6   |
|                                      | Water Content, % | 18.03   |
|                                      | Dry Density, pcf | 108.9   |
|                                      | Saturation, %    |   |
| Void Ratio                           |                  |   |
| Unconfined Compressive Strength, psi |                  | 23.4  |
| Undrained Shear Strength, psi        |                  |   |
| Time to Failure, min                 |                  |   |
| Strain Rate, %/min                   |                  | 1   |
| Implied Specific Gravity             |                  |   |
| Liquid Limit                         |                  | ---   |
| Plastic Limit                        |                  | ---   |
| Plasticity Index                     |                  | ---   |
| Failure Sketch                       |                  |  |



|   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
|  | Project: Woodside Road             |
|   | Location: 04-SM-84-22-22.1         |
|   | Project No.: 04-455900             |
|   | Boring No.: R10-101                |
|   | Sample No.: 61-02                  |
|   | Description: MOIST GRAY SILTY CLAY |
| Remarks: ASTM D 2166  |                                    |



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Subject Corrosion Test Summary Report - Soil, EA: 04-4S5900 (Corr. # CR100342)

Division of Engineering Services  
Materials Engineering and Testing Services  
Corrosion Technology Branch

Report Date: 4/20/2010  
Reported By: Lopez, Rudy

**CORROSION TEST SUMMARY REPORT - Soil/Water**

Bridge Name:  
Bridge Number:  
EA No.: 04-4S5900  
Dist/Co/Rte/PM or KP: 04 / SM / 84 / 22.0/22.1

| SIC Number<br>(TL101) | Sample Location | Sample Type | Sample Depth        | Minimum Resistivity<br>(ohm-cm) | pH   | Chloride Content<br>(ppm) | Sulfate Content<br>(ppm) |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| C238661               | SOIL            |             | 14-15<br>FT/R10-101 | 1081                            | 7.03 |                           |                          |

This site is not corrosive to foundation elements (see note below for MSE wall backfill).

Note: For MSE wall structure backfill material, minimum resistivity must be 2000 ohm-cm or greater,

pH must be between 5.5 and 10.0, chloride content must not be greater than 250 ppm, and sulfate content must not be greater than 500 ppm.

<sup>1,2</sup>CTM 643, <sup>3</sup>CTM 422, <sup>4</sup>CTM 417

## SOUTHGATE 04-SM-114-PM 0.5

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 Department of Transportation  
 DES-OGDW  
 Orinda Field Station

**HORIZONTAL DRAIN DATA**

## LITERS PER DAY

| <u>YEAR</u> | <u>Date of Reading</u> | <u>HD-1</u> | <u>HD-2</u> | <u>HD-3</u> | <u>HD-4</u> |
|-------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1985        | 12-17-85               | 0           | 91          | 95          | 163         |
| 1986        | 1-10-86                | 0           | 79          | 102         | 185         |
|             | 2-11-86                | 0           | 174         | 132         | 405         |
|             | 4-4-86                 | 0           | 462         | 405         | 2188        |
|             | 5-22-86                | 0           | 167         | 246         | 693         |
|             | 8-15-86                | 0           | 64          | 144         | 257         |
|             | 9-10-86                | 0           | 144         | 159         | 174         |
|             | 10-17-86               | 0           | 57          | 132         | 159         |
|             | 12-5-86                | 0           | 76          | 114         | 121         |
| 1987        | 2-24-87                | 0           | 53          | 68          | 151         |
|             | 6-11-87                | 0           | 26          | 30          | 76          |
|             | 8-21-87                | 0           | 26          | 23          | 19          |
| 1989        | 5-1-89                 | 0           | 26          | 19          | 61          |
| 1991        | 6-10-91                | 0           | 11          | 23          | 8           |
| 1992        | 4-29-92                | 68          | 38          | 19          | 0           |
| 1993        | 5-6-93                 | 485         | 117         | 79          | 0           |
| 1994        | 5-4-94                 | 49          | 26          | 0           | 0           |
| 1995        | 4-26-95                | 719         | 231         | 201         | 0           |
| 1997        | 3-20-97                | 201         | 257         | 102         | 0           |
| 2001        | 8-1-01                 | 276         | 148         | 87          | 0           |
| 2008        | 5-12-08                | 0           | 230         | 219         | 763         |
|             | 8-19-2008              | 281         | 81          | 132         | 0           |
|             | 11-3-2008              | 138         | 276         | 68          | 0           |
|             | 12-10-2008             | 271         | 156         | 104         | 0           |
| 2009        | 1-12-2009              | 415         | 121         | 156         | 0           |
|             | 2-17-2009              | 749         | 104         | 265         | 0           |
|             | 7-27-2009              | 179         | 190         | 181         | 0           |
|             | 8-31-2009              | 151         | 170         | 160         | 0           |
|             | 11-2-2009              | 194         | 219         | 202         | 0           |
| 2010        | 1-4-2010               | 259         | 324         | 278         | 0           |
|             | 3-25-2010              | 986         | 792         | 645         | 0           |
|             | 4-13-2010              | 1022        | 871         | 677         | 0           |
|             | 5-12-2010              | 994         | 691         | 720         | 0           |
|             | 6-9-2010               | 893         | 295         | 540         | 0           |
|             | 9-3-2010               | 279         | 112         | 135         | 0           |
|             | 10-1-2010              | 230         | 167         | 109         | 0           |
|             | 11-23-2010             | 252         | 79          | 137         | 0           |
| 2011        | 1-6-211                | 756         | 472         | 432         | 0           |



## APPENDIX B

### Stability Analysis:

Slope – Back Analysis

Tie-back – Static, FS = 1.3

Tie-back – Seismic, FS = 1.1

### Bridge Design Specifications

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**SAFETY FACTORS**

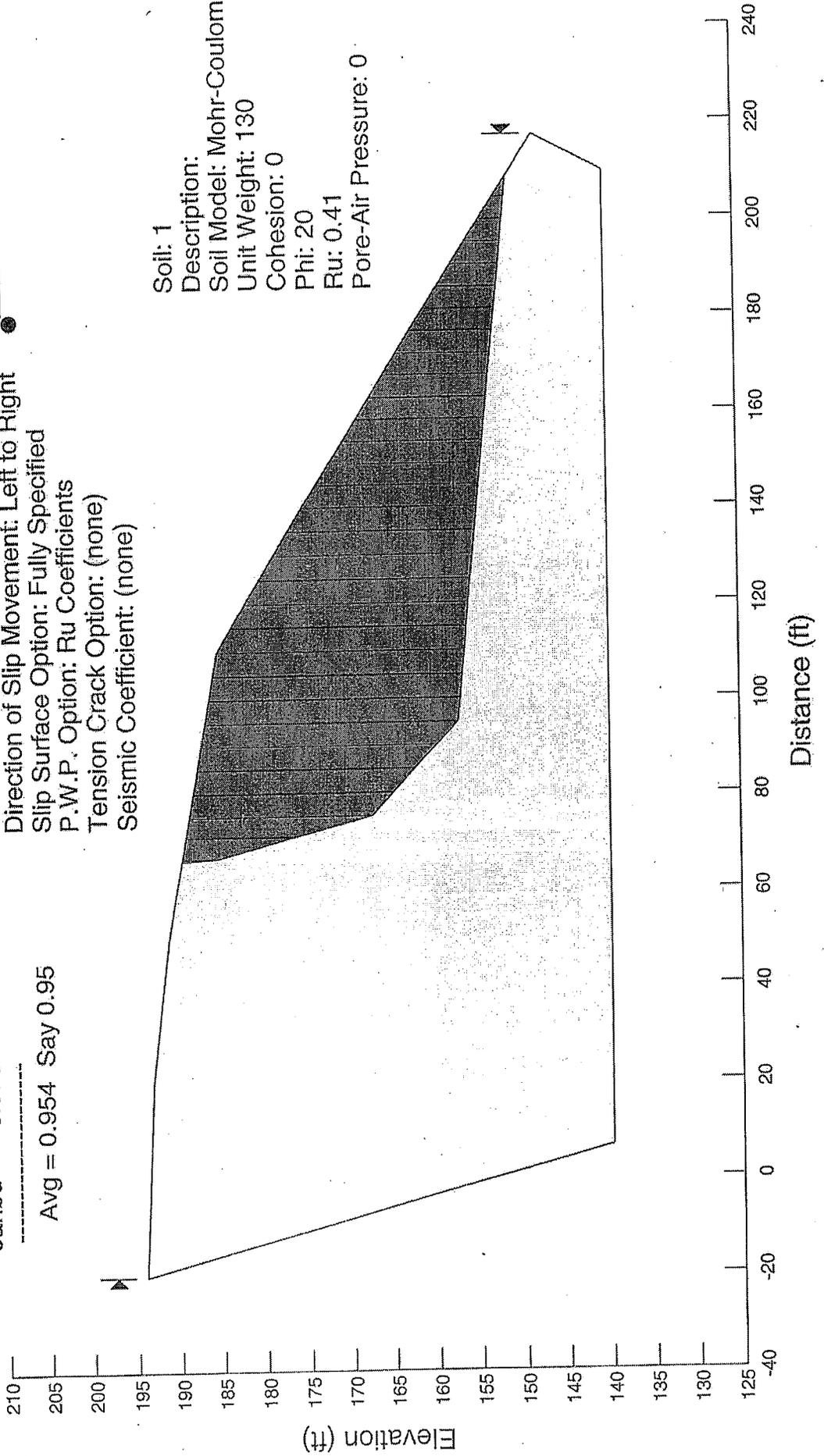
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Bishop = 1.155  
Janbu = 0.978

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P.W.P. Option: Ru Coefficients  
Tension Crack Option: (none)  
Seismic Coefficient: (none)

1.155 ●

Soil: 1  
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Cohesion: 0  
Phi: 20  
Ru: 0.41  
Pore-Air Pressure: 0



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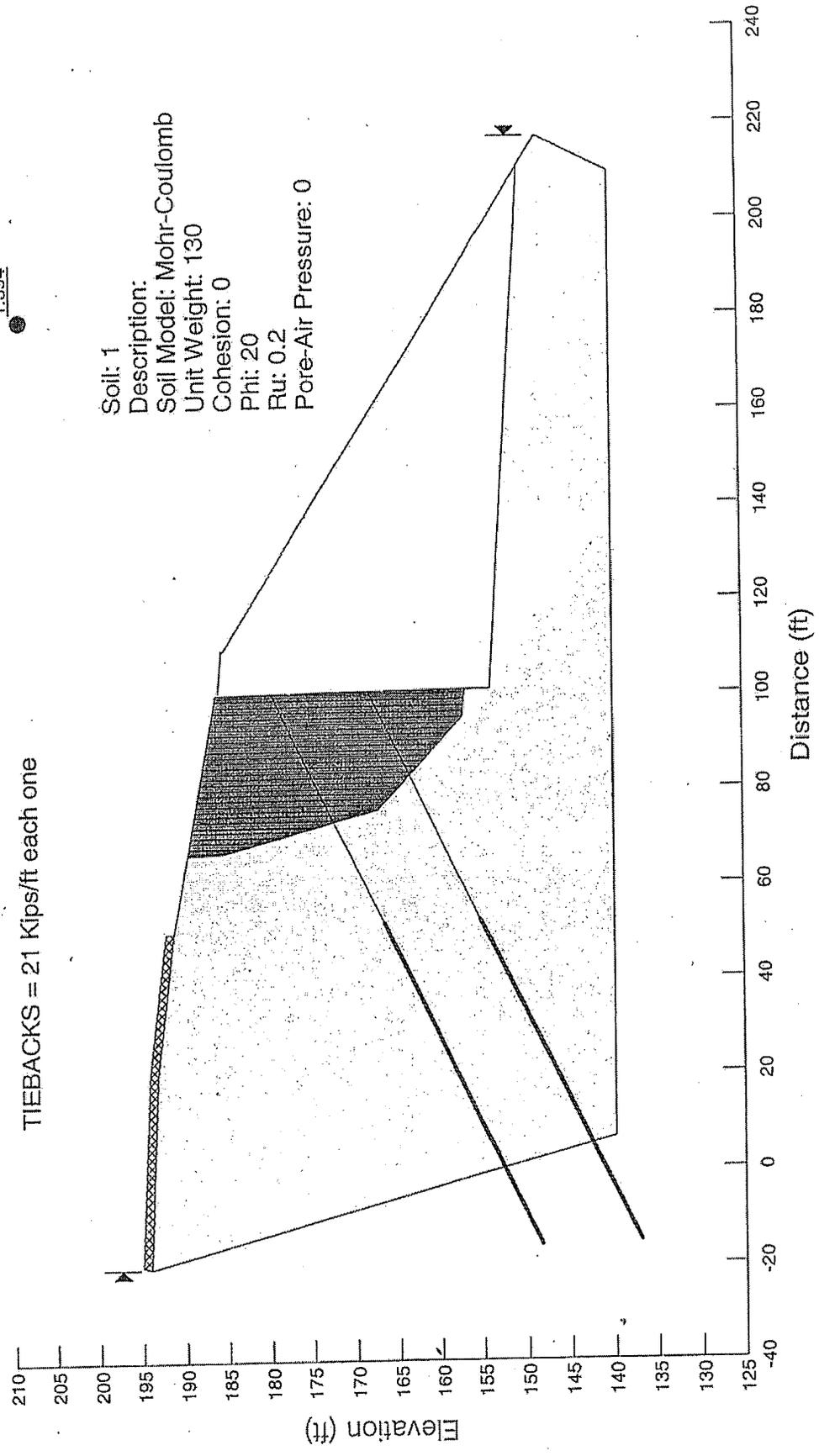
**SAFETY FACTORS**

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 Bishop = 1.394  
 Janbu = 1.298

Avg = 1.326 Say = 1.3

TIEBACKS = 21 Kips/ft each one

1.394



Soil: 1  
 Description:  
 Soil Model: Mohr-Coulomb  
 Unit Weight: 130  
 Cohesion: 0  
 Phi: 20  
 Ru: 0.2  
 Pore-Air Pressure: 0

**SAFETY FACTORS**

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 Bishop = 1.249  
 Janbu = 1.048

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 Avg = 1.148 Say = 1.1

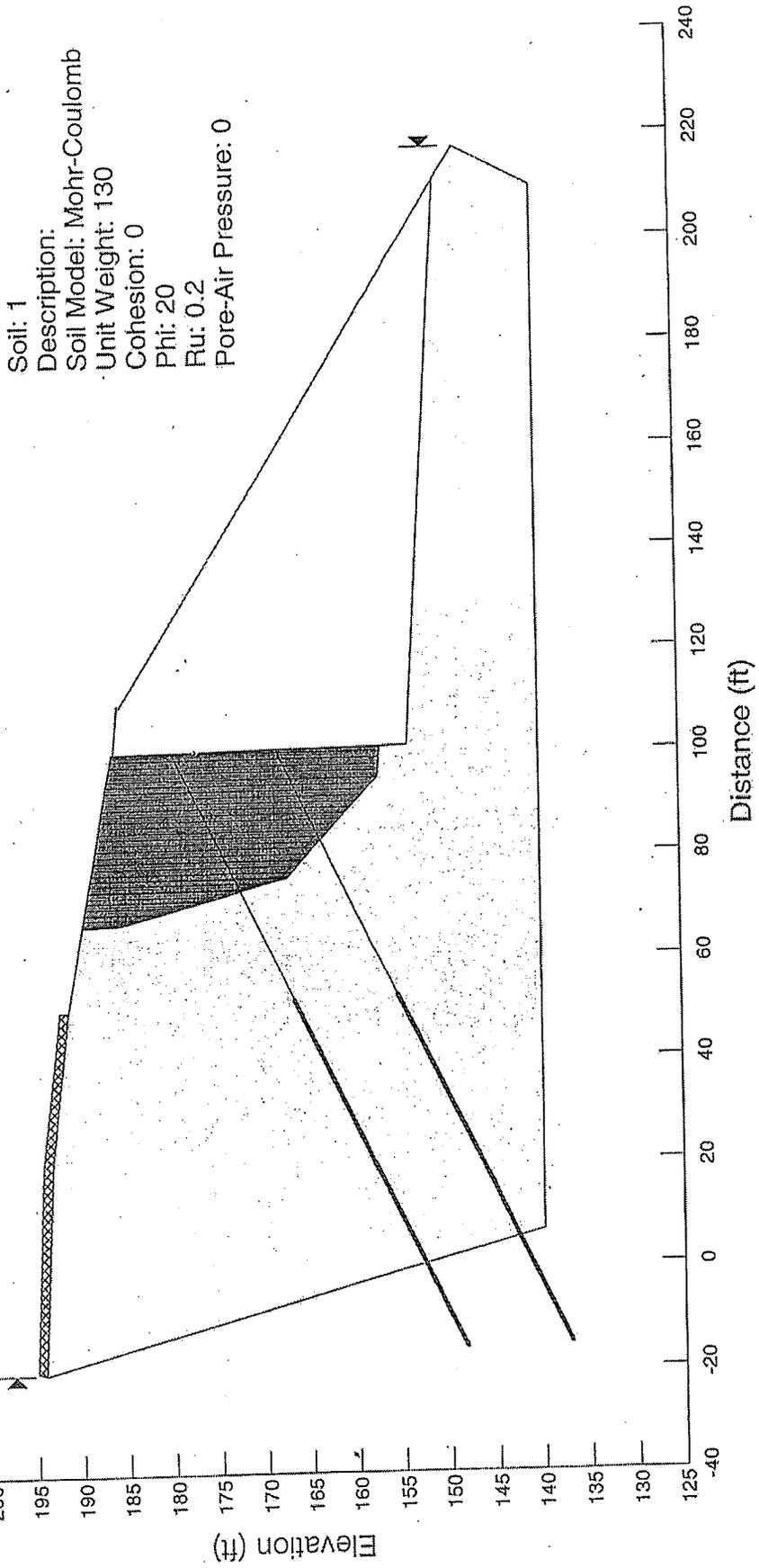
**TIEBACKS (Seismic)**  
 Two tiebacks of 29 Kips/ft each

**SEISMIC (Horizontal Coefficient)**

$K_h = 1/3 \text{ MBA} = 0.60g/3 = 0.20g$

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 Tension Crack Option: (none)  
 Seismic Coefficient: Horizontal

1.249 ●



### 5.5.5.7 Lateral Earth Pressures for Anchored Walls

For anchored walls restrained by tie rods and structural anchors, the lateral earth pressure acting on the wall may be determined in accordance with Article 5.5.5.6.

For anchored walls constructed from the top down and restrained by ground anchors (tieback anchors), the lateral earth pressure acting on the wall height,  $H$ , may be determined in accordance with Articles 5.5.5.7.1 and 5.5.5.7.2.

For anchored walls constructed from the bottom up and restrained by a single level of ground anchors located not more than one third of the wall height,  $H$ , above the bottom of the wall, the total lateral earth pressure,  $P_{Total}$  acting on the wall height,  $H$ , may be determined in accordance with Article 5.5.5.7.1 with distribution assumed to be linearly proportional to depth and a maximum pressure equal to,  $\frac{2P_{Total}}{H}$ . For anchored walls constructed from the bottom up and restrained by multiple levels of ground anchors, the lateral earth pressure acting on the wall height,  $H$ , may be determined in accordance with Article 5.5.5.7.1.

In developing the lateral earth pressure for design of an anchored wall, consideration shall be given to wall displacements that may affect adjacent structures and/or underground utilities.

#### C5.5.5.7

In the development of lateral earth pressures, the method and sequence of wall construction, the rigidity of the wall/anchor system, the physical characteristics and stability of the ground mass to be supported/retained, allowable wall deflections, anchor spacing and prestress and the potential for anchor yield should be considered.

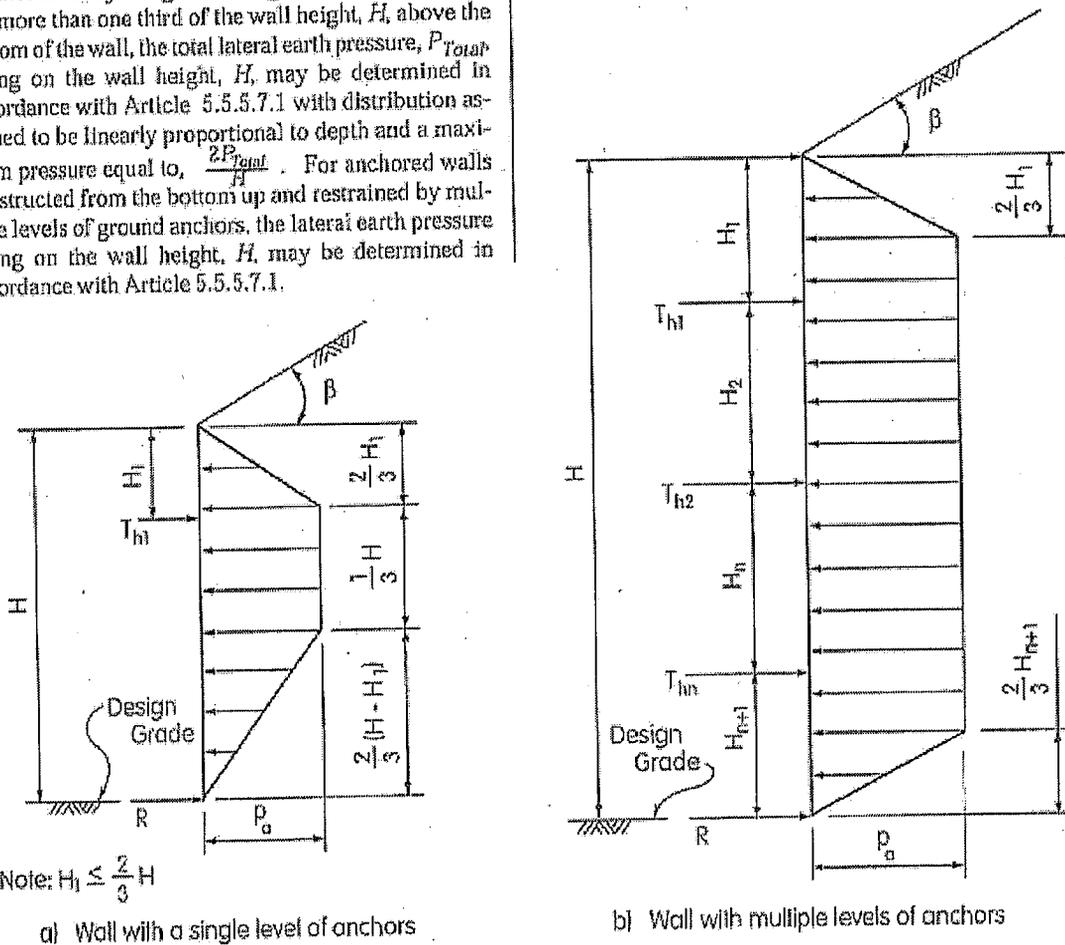


Figure 5.5.5.7.1-1 Lateral Earth Pressure Distributions for Anchored Walls Constructed from the Top Down in Cohesionless Soils

### 5.5.5.7.1 Cohesionless Soils

The lateral earth pressure distribution for the design of temporary or permanent anchored walls constructed in cohesionless soils may be determined using Figure 5.5.5.7.1-1, for which the maximum ordinate,  $p_a$ , of the pressure diagram is determined as follows:

For walls with a single level of anchors:

$$p_a = \frac{P_{Total}}{\frac{2}{3}H} \quad (5.5.5.7.1-1)$$

For walls with multiple levels of anchors:

$$p_a = \frac{P_{Total}}{\left(H - \frac{1}{3}H_1 - \frac{1}{3}H_{n+1}\right)} \quad (5.5.5.7.1-2)$$

where:

- $p_a$  = maximum ordinate of pressure diagram (KSF)
- $P_{Total}$  = total lateral load required to be applied to the wall face to provide a factor of safety equal to 1.3 for the retained soil mass when stability is analyzed using an appropriate limiting equilibrium method of analysis. Except that  $P_{Total}$  shall not be less than  $1.44 P_o$ . (KIP)
- $P_a$  = active lateral earth pressure resultant acting on the wall height,  $H$ , and determined using Coulomb's theory with a wall friction angle,  $\delta$ , equal to zero. (KIP)
- $H$  = wall design height (FT)
- $H_1$  = distance from ground surface at top of wall to uppermost level of anchors. (FT)
- $H_{n+1}$  = distance from design grade at bottom of a wall to lowermost level of anchors (FT)
- $T_{Hj}$  = horizontal component of design force in anchor at level  $j$  (KIP/FT)

- $R$  = design reaction force at design grade at bottom of wall to be resisted by embedded portion of wall (KIP/FT)

### 5.5.5.7.2 Cohesive Soils

The lateral earth pressure distribution for cohesive soils is related to the stability number,  $N_s$ , which is defined as:

$$N_s = \frac{\gamma_s H}{S_u}$$

where:

- $\gamma_s$  = total unit weight of soil (KCF)
- $H$  = wall design height (FT)
- $S_u$  = average undrained shear strength of soil (KSF)

#### 5.5.5.7.2a Stiff to Hard

For temporary anchored walls in stiff to hard cohesive soils ( $N_s \leq 4$ ), and  $\beta = \text{zero}$ , the lateral earth pressure may be determined using Figure 5.5.5.7.1-1, with the maximum ordinate,  $p_a$ , of the pressure diagram determined as:

$$p_a = 0.2\gamma_s H \text{ to } 0.4\gamma_s H \quad (5.5.5.7.2a-1)$$

where:

- $p_a$  = maximum ordinate of pressure diagram (KSF)
- $\gamma_s$  = total unit weight of soil (KCF)
- $H$  = wall design height (FT)

For permanent anchored walls in stiff to hard cohesive soils, the lateral earth pressure distributions described in Article 5.5.5.7.1 may be used with,  $P_{Total}$  based on the drained friction angle of the cohesive soil. For permanent walls, the distribution (permanent or temporary) resulting in the maximum total force shall be used for design.

# FOUNDATION REVIEW

DIVISION OF ENGINEERING SERVICES  
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**To: Structure Design**

1. Design
2. R.E. Pending File
3. Specifications & Estimates
4. File

**Geotechnical Services**

1. GD - North ; South ; West
2. GS File Room

Date: 7/11/11

Woodside Tieback Wall  
Structure Name

04-5M-84-22.1  
District County Route km Post

District Project Development District Project Engineer

04 0000 2051  
04-455901 35E 0035  
E.A. Number Structure Number

Foundation Report By: D. Nesbitt

Dated: 3/15/11

Reviewed By: P. Lutz (SD)

(GS)

General Plan Dated: 7/5/11

Foundation Plan Dated: 7/2/11

No changes.  The following changes are necessary.

### FOUNDATION CHECKLIST

**Pile Types and Design Loads**

- Pile Lengths
- Predrilling
- Pile Load Test
- Substitution of H Piles For Concrete Piles
- Yes  No

- Footing Elevations, Design Loads, and Locations
- Seismic Data
- Location of Adjacent Structures and Utilities
- Stability of Cuts or Fills
- Fill Time Delay

**Effect of Fills on Abutments and Berms**

- Fill Surcharge
- Approach Paving Slabs
- Scour
- Ground Water
- Tremie Seals/Type D Excavation

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