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This letter transmits our final geotechnical investigation report for Design Unit A350 prepared in accordance with our Contract No. 503 agreement dated September 30, 1983 between Converse Consultants, Inc. and Metro Rail Transit Consultants (MRTC). This report provides geotechnical information and recommendations to be used by design firms in preparing designs for Design Unit A350.

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Section 1.0

**Executive Summary** 

#### 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report presents the results of our geotechnical investigation and engineering analyses for the A350 Design Unit of the Southern California Rapid Transit District's Metro Rail Project in Los Angeles. The A350 Design Unit consists of the Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track. The structures will be constructed by cut-and-cover methods and will extend to depths of about 45 to 80 feet below the existing ground surface. This report defines the subsurface conditions and provides recommendations for design and construction purposes for facilities shown on SCRTD drawings dated 6-10-83.

#### 1.1 CONSTRUCTION CONSIDERATIONS

Construction of the Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track will require shoring and lagging to support the exposed alluvial soils. Current ground water elevations increase northward and are above the planned subgrade elevation in the Pocket Track section. Dewatering along the north half of the cut-and-cover excavation will be required.

Temporary support of the excavation will be either flexible or rigid type vertical wall systems with internal bracing or external tieback systems. Caving and ravelling of the coarse-grained alluvial soils should be expected during soldier pile and/or tieback construction. Consideration should be given to alternatives which would reduce the number of tiebacks penetrating into the caving soils (such as full or partial internal bracing). Lateral pressures and other guidelines for design of temporary support systems are provided in the report.

#### 1.2 DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

A prime consideration for design is the presence of the Hollywood Fault zone which crosses the proposed Pocket Track structure in the vicinity of Yucca Street. The Hollywood Fault, according to geologic reports referenced in Section 5.4, is considered to be an active fault and capable of significant displacement during a maximum design earthquake event. Effects of fault movement on the structure should be carefully studied and design concepts developed to accommodate such movements if possible.

The undisturbed alluvium and Fernando Formation bedrock will adequately support the permanent reinforced concrete station structure. However, the Hollywood Fault zone creates a discontinuity in the subgrade material upon which the Pocket Track section will be supported. This condition should be carefully studied, and design concepts developed to mitigate static longitudinal elastic differential settlements along the structure.

Design lateral pressures for the permanent structure under varying earth and hydrostatic loading conditions are outlined in the text of the report.



#### 1.3 SEISMIC CONSIDERATIONS

Liquefaction evaluation based on field correlations of SPT results and performance of granular soils indicate that liquefaction of the granular soils at the site\_during a maximum design earthquake has a low probability.

Design procedures and criteria for underground structures under earthquake loading conditions are defined in the SCRTD 1984 report entitled "Guidelines for Seismic Design of Underground Structures". Seismological conditions which may impact the project and the operating and maximum design earthquakes which may be anticipated in the Los Angeles area are described in the SCRTD report entitled "Seismological Investigations and Design Criteria" dated May, 1983. The 1984 report complements and supplements the 1983 report. Site specific static and dynamic properties for materials in design unit A350 are given in this report.



Section 2.0 Introduction

#### 2.0 INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of a geotechnical investigation for the A350 Design Unit which consists of the Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track. The work performed for this report includes borings, laboratory tests, engineering analysis, and the development of recommendations and general earthwork specifications for design and construction of the station. This Design Unit is a part of the 18.6-mile long Metro Rail Project (see Drawing 1, Vicinity Map).

Additional geotechnical information on the Metro Rail Project is included in the following reports, some of which may pertain to Design Unit A350.

- "Geotechnical Investigation Report, Metro Rail Project", Volume I -Report, and Volume II - Appendices, prepared by Converse Ward Davis Dixon, Earth Sciences Associates and Geo/Resource Consultants, submitted to RTD in November 1981. This report presents general geologic and geotechnical data for the entire project. The report also comments on tunneling and shoring experience and practices in the Los Angeles area.
- Seismological Investigation & Design Criteria Metro Rail Project", prepared by Converse Consultants, Lindvall Richter & Associates, Earth Sciences Associates and Geo/Resource Consultants, submitted to RTD in May 1983. This report presents the results of a seismological investigation.
- <sup>°</sup> "Geologic Aspects of Tunneling in the Los Angeles Area" (USGS Map No. MF866, 1977), prepared by the U.S. Geological Survey in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Transportation. This publication includes a compilation of geotechnical data in the general vicinity of the proposed Metro Rail Project and this Design Unit.
- "Rapid Transit System Backbone Route", Volume IV, Book 1, 2 and 3, prepared by Kaiser Engineers, June, 1962 for the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority. This report presents the results of a Test Boring Program for the Wilshire Corridor and logs of borings.

The design concepts discussed in this report are based on the "Final Report for the Development of Milestone 10, CBD to North Hollywood Line Plans, dated September 1983; and Preliminary Site Plans, and Structure Plans and Sections for Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track, dated March, June and July 1983.

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## Section 3.0

Site and Project Description

#### 3.0 SITE AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track will be located off-street running north-south along the west side of Cahuenga Boulevard from a point just south of Hollywood Boulevard up to Franklin Avenue. The station area is in the commercial center of Hollywood. The development along Hollywood Boulevard is low- to medium-rise commercial with a number of theaters. A mixture of commercial and industrial buildings is located on Cahuenga Boulevard. North of Hollywood Boulevard and west of Cahuenga are high density residential areas.

The Hollywood/Cahuenga Station has been planned with two entries, one on the northwest and one on the southwest corner of Hollywood and Cahuenga. An area immediately to the south end of the station is planned for use as a bus turnaround and layover area. The pocket track will be located at the north end of the station. Both the station and the pocket track will be constructed by the cut-and-cover methods which will result in the removal of some of the existing structures facing on Cahuenga Boulevard between Hollywood Boulevard and Yucca Street.

The station is planned with a single mezzanine connecting the two station entries. Ancillary space will be provided at each end of the station, and a traction power substation will be located above the north third of the pocket track structure.



## Section 4.0

# Field Exploration and Laboratory Testing

#### 4.0 FIELD EXPLORATION AND LABORATORY TESTING

#### 4.1 GENERAL

The information presented in this report is based primarily on the field and laboratory investigations performed in 1981 and 1983. This information was derived from field reconnaissance, borings, geologic reports and maps, ground water measurements, field geophysical surveys, ground water quality tests, and laboratory tests on soil and rock samples. References listed at the end of this report were utilized to complement and supplement the more recent information.

#### 4.2 BORINGS

For the A350 investigation, 15 borings were drilled at the proposed station and pocket track structure site. Small diameter rotary wash holes 28-1 through 28-8, 28B, 29A and 29B, and the 32-inch diameter man-size auger boring, 28-C were all drilled in 1983. Rotary borings CEG-28, CEG-28A and CEG-29 were drilled in 1981 and their logs are also included. The locations of the borings are shown on Drawings 2 and 3, and the logs of the borings from the 1981 and 1983 investigations are provided in Appendix A. Ground water observation wells were installed in Borings 28, 28-A, 28-B, 28-C, 28-5, 29, 29-A and 29-B. Section 5.3 presents a summary of ground water level measurements in these wells.

None of the 1962 Kaiser Engineers borings were drilled close to the Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track structure area. Another source of boring information is the U.S. Geological Survey paper, "Geologic Aspects of Tunneling in the Los Angeles Area" (USGS Map No. MF-866, 1977). However, the foundation investigation borings included in the USGS report were not used because they were too shallow for proper interpretation of subsurface conditions at the proposed grade of the station and pocket track.

#### 4.3 GEOPHYSICAL MEASUREMENTS

Seismic refraction surveys were performed in the vicinity of the station and pocket track structure site during the 1981 investigation. Results of these surveys are presented in Appendix B.

Downhole and crosshole compression and shear wave velocity surveys were also performed in Boring CEG-28 which was drilled during the initial 1981 investigation. The CEG-28 boring was drilled on the east side of Cahuenga Boulevard at the A350 Station site. Appendix B summarizes the field geophysical survey procedures as well as the results of the velocity measurements.

#### 4.4 GEOTECHNICAL LABORATORY TESTING

The laboratory program developed to test representative soil and rock samples consisted of classification tests, consolidation tests, static and dynamic triaxial compression tests, resonant column tests, unconfined compression tests, direct shear tests, and permeability tests.

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Appendix C summarizes the testing procedures and presents detailed results of the 1983 program and summarizes selected results of the 1981 laboratory program.

#### 4.5 WATER QUALITY ANALYSES

Chemical analyses were performed and selected parameters were evaluated for water samples obtained in Borings CEG-28A and CEG-29. The results of these tests are presented in Appendix D.

Section 5.0

Subsurface Conditions

#### 5.0 SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

#### 5.1 GENERAL

The geologic sequence in the Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track structure site consists of Young and Old alluvium overlying bedrock of the Topanga Formation. The east-west trending Hollywood\_Eault crosses the alignment\_underneath the Pocket Track structure, and is\_judged\_to be active, according to geologic reports referenced in Section 5.4.

Drawings 2 and 4 show generalized subsurface cross sections through the proposed Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track structure. The subsurface profile at the Station site consists of approximately 55 to 65 feet of alluvium at the north end of the Pocket Track structure area, and over 200 feet of alluvium in the south end of the Pocket Track and Station site. The bedrock surface at this Station and Pocket Track site is discontinuous due to the offset caused by the Hollywood Fault zone.

#### 5.2 SUBSOILS

During the field programs conducted in both 1983 and 1981, the contact between the Old and Young Alluvium was difficult to identify because the soils of these two units are physically very similar. While the Young and Old Alluvium may be geologically different, our interpretation of the field and laboratory test data suggests that they do not differ significantly from an engineering standpoint. For the purposes of this report, Young and Old Alluvium have not been differentiated and are simply referred to as Alluvium.

Specific descriptions of the soil materials encountered in the borings drilled at the Station site include:

- <sup>°</sup> <u>Fill</u>: Sandy fill soils were encountered below surface pavements in five of the borings drilled at the site. The fill thickness ranged between 0.5 and 4 feet. The fill generally consisted of relatively clean (no debris) silty sand or silty clay which were medium dense and stiff, respectively.
- <sup>o</sup> <u>Alluvium</u>: The alluvial soils encountered at the boring locations generally consisted of a mixture of coarse- and fine-grained soils to depths of 50 to 65 feet underlain by predominately coarse-grained soils. Near surface alluvium was predominately granular, medium dense to dense, consisting of sands, clayey sands and gravelly sands to depths up to 15 feet. The underlying soils were mixtures of clay and sand and were generally classified medium dense to dense clayey sand with some firm to stiff sandy clay. Coarse-grained alluvial soils encountered below depths of 50 to 65 feet included dense to very dense sands, gravelly sands and sandy gravel materials. This material may also contain zones of cobbles and boulders although none were encountered.





#### 5.3 BEDROCK

Approximately the northernmost 500 feet of the proposed construction is expected to be underlain by the Topanga Formation bedrock at relatively shallow depths of about 50 to 60 feet. South of the middle trace of the Hollywood Fault (at about the Yucca Street crossing), the depth to bedrock increases abruptly to about 135 feet. South of the southern trace of the Hollywood Fault Zone, the bedrock depth increases abruptly to greater than 206 feet (maximum depth of Boring 28-B).

The Topanga Formation bedrock encountered at this site was predominately sandy siltstone, claystone and silty sandstone with localized intrusions of basalt. Borings 28-A, 29 drilled during the 1981 investigation and Borings 28-1 and 28-8 drilled in 1983 were the borings in the site vicinity to have significant penetration into the Topanga Formation bedrock. Bedrock encountered in Boring 28-A consisted of silty claystone with interbeds of sandstone. The upper 40 to 50 feet of bedrock at 28-A was very weathered and soil-like; bedding was measured to be between 60° and 84°. At Boring 29, the bedrock consisted of about 9 feet of very weathered siltstone/claystone bedrock underlain by sandy siltstone with sandstone interbeds for more than 160 feet. Bedrock encountered in Borings 28-1 and 28-8 was thinly bedded sandy siltstone to the depths of the borings. The bedrock surface slopes down gently to the south and east. Current information from a few nearby surface outcrops indicates steeply dipping bedding which incline to the north-northeast.

#### 5.4 HOLLYWOOD FAULT

The most striking feature shown on the geologic sections is the subsurface discontinuity due to the Hollywood fault zone. The trace of the Hollywood fault zone is located between Stations  $758\pm$  to  $764\pm$  at Pocket Track grade, approximately 600 feet wide. This fault is judged to be active; i.e., there is evidence of displacement at or near the ground surface at least once within the past 10,000 years (Holocene time). This opinion is based on:

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- Interpretation of Bouger Gravity and Density Model Profile 5 showing a vertical bedrock offset of about 400 feet along a thrust feature dipping about 50° to the north (Converse, et al, "Geotechnical Investigation Report, Volume II, Appendices", November 1981, p. II-714, and Figure No. D-5, p. II-721, prepared for SCRTD).
- Alignment of 2- to 3-meter high scarp-like features in the Hollywood, Los Feliz, Atwater area of Los Angeles; i.e., have offset very late Quaternary (including Holocene) alluvial sediments (Weber, et al, "Earthquake Hazards Associated with the Verdugo-Eagle Rock and Benedict Canyon Fault Zones, Los Angeles County, California", 1980, OFR 80-10LA, p. A-3, B-104, B-105 and B-106.
- o Interpretation of Borings 28-B, 28-C, 28-2, CEG-28-A, 28-1 and 28-8 drilled by Converse for SCRTD and MRTC in 1981, 1983 and 1984.

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A 1983 study to establish the date of the last movement on the Hollywood fault was inconclusive because the fault, where observed in granite bedrock, was not overlain by datable alluvium (Crook, R., Proctor, R.J. and Lindvall, C.E., "Seismicity of the Santa Monica and Hollywood Faults Determined by Trenching", February 1983, U.S. Geological Survey Contract No. 14-08-0001-20523).

The approximate 600-foot width of the fault zone is based on interpretation of alluvium and bedrock contacts from our 1981, 1983 and 1984 borings.

The seismic characteristics of the Hollywood fault are discussed in the "Seismological Investigation & Design Criteria" report of May, 1983 prepared by Converse et al for SCRTD. This report assigns a maximum design earthquake (Richter magnitude of 6.5M to the Hollywood Fault. Although there is a low probability of this event (and attendant displacement) on the Hollywood fault, during the estimated 100-year life of the facility, such a potential event requires consideration in the design of the structure.

#### 5.5 GROUND WATER

Ground water levels in the site vicinity were measured in piezometers installed at Borings 28-A, 28-B, 28-5, 28-8, 29, 29-A, 29-B and 29-C. In addition, water levels were measured in Boring 28 and man-size auger Boring 28-C at the time they were drilled. The results of the ground water measurements are summarized in Table 5-1. Based on the results of these measurements it appears that current ground water levels slope southward across the site at an average gradient of about 4% which is steeper than the average ground surface gradient (about 2%). Current water levels vary from about elevation 380 in Borings 29-A and 29-B (at the north end of the pocket track) to about elevation 305 at the south end of the station. Drawings 2 and 5 show that these current water levels range from about 40 feet above subgrade at the north end of the site to about 30 feet below subgrade at the south end of the site.

		<u></u>		GROUND WATE	R ELEVATION	*		
BORING	Reading	tial Date	04/28/82	02/18/83	03/02/83	12/07/83	12/20/83	03/14/84
28	310	01/12/81						
28-A	357	03/23/81	365					
28-8	329	02/18/83		329	336	351	352	351
28-C	354	10/10/83						
28-5	dry	11/19/83				318	311	309
28-8	377	02/24/84				<u>_</u>		376
29	344	03/23/81	374		<u>_</u>			
29-A	379	02/15/83			<380	<u></u>		<380
29-B	391	02/14/83			390			383
29-C	438	02/10/83			440		434	432

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TABLE 5-1 GROUND WATER OBSERVATION WELL DATA

\*Rounded to the nearest foot

Except for man-size auger Boring 28-C and 28-3, no gas odors or unusual ground water conditions were noted during the field exploration.

Borings 28-C, 28-1, 28-8 encountered gasoline floating on top of the drilling fluid and ground water (52 feet below the ground surface at Elevation 354 feet in Boring 28-C). The gasoline concentration was 5,500 parts per million (ppm), and the general mineral analysis of Boring 28-C water indicates Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) of 1,600 ppm (see CCI Memorandum dated October 10, 1983). The refined gasoline could pose a danger during construction of the Pocket Track. The source of the gasoline is believed to be an abandoned and corroded gasoline storage tank in this general area. A strong petroleum odor was also detected in the soil sample No. C-17 in Boring 28-3 at a depth of 83 feet.

#### 5.6 GAS

No gas analyses were made at this site; however, sulphur and/or petroleum odors from the soil and bedrock samples were noted in borings 28-C, 28-1, 28-3 and 28-8. Combustible gas may be present at the Pocket Track structure site, and caution is recommended during construction in this area.

#### 5.7 ENGINEERING PROPERTIES OF SUBSURFACE MATERIALS

For purposes of our engineering evaluation, the subsurface materials were grouped into general subsurface units. The main subsurface units affecting design of the Hollywood/Cahuenga Station include the sand/clay mixture alluvium, coarse-grained sand/gravel alluvium and Topanga Formation bedrock. Surficial fill soils encountered were considered to be too thin to have any significant effect on design.

The following presents engineering descriptions of each of the three main subsurface materials and engineering parameters assigned to these units for. our analyses (see Table 5-2).

<sup>o</sup> <u>Mixed Clay/Sand alluvium</u>: These materials were predominately classified as clayey sand with low to moderate plasticity. However, in some areas, the materials grade to sandy clay, exhibiting moderate to high plasticity, or to silty sand (no plasticity). Standard Penetration Test (SPT) results ranged from 7 to 70 in this unit but averaged about 30. Laboratory density test results indicated dry densities generally in the range of 100 to 110 pcf. Strength test results showed moderate effective strength values. Low initial densities caused positive pore pressures to be generated during shearing, resulting in relatively low undrained or total strength values. Consolidation test results indicate the nearsurface materials in this unit range from moderately to highly compressible. Undrained moduli from triaxial testing were generally low but did exhibit some increase with consolidation pressure. Selected engineering design properties for the clay/sand unit are presented in Table 5-2.

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TABLE 5-2
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MATERIAL PROPERTY	FILL	MIXED SAND/CLAY ALLUVIUM	GRANULAR AlluvIum	TOPANGA BEDROCK
Moist Density Above Ground Water (pcf)	125	125	125	-
Saturated Density (pcf)	-	130	130	130
Effective Stress Strength ø' (degrees) c' (psf)	-	30 0	35 0	28 0
Total Stress Strength <sup>a</sup> ø (degrees) c (psf)	-	15 500	-	15 2000
Unconfined Compressive Strength (psf)	-	-	-	b
Permeability (cm/sec)	-	$10^{-3}$ to $10^{-6}$	$10^{-1}$ to $10^{-4}$	$10^{-3}$ to $10^{-7}$
Vertical Compression Modulus <sup>C</sup> (psf)	-	150•σ <sub>v</sub> ' <sup>d</sup>	450• <sub>v</sub> , d	1x10 <sup>6</sup> to 2x10 <sup>6</sup>
Poisson's Ratio (non-saturated)	-	0.40	0.35	0.35

<sup>a</sup> The total stress parameters should be used to determine the increase in undrained strength with depth for use in undrained strength analyses.

<sup>b</sup> All unconfined compressive strength bedrock test specimens failed along bedding. The average along-bedding strength was 2000 psf. However, across-bedding compressive strength is expected to be higher.

<sup>C</sup> Modulus values are secant modulus at 1/2% strain.

 $\sigma_{v}$ , is the effective overburden pressure (psf) equal to effective density times overburden depth. Moist density should be used to determine  $\sigma_{v}$ , above the water table and submerged density (saturated density minus water density) should be used for the effective density of soils below the water table.

<u>Granular Alluvium</u>: These materials were generally encountered at depths greater than 50 feet and were classified as dense to very dense sands, silty sands, gravelly sands and gravels. Gravel content was so high in Boring 28-6 that sampling became nearly impossible below a depth of 55 feet. Density tests on samples from this unit generally indicated dry densities ranging from about 110 to 120 pcf. Strength test results showed high effective stress strength parameters with friction angles as high as 44°. Undrained modulus values from triaxial tests exhibited rapid increase with consolidation pressure. Permeability tests performed on sand and silty sand specimens from this unit indicated permeabilities on the order of 10<sup>-1</sup> to 10<sup>-1</sup> cm/sec; however, the permeability of gravelly soils is considered to be 10<sup>-1</sup> to 10<sup>-2</sup> cm/sec. Selected engineering design properties for the coarse-grained alluvium are presented in Table 5-2.

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a Topanga Formation Bedrock: Laboratory testing of the Topanga Formation bedrock for this study included the unconfined compression tests performed during the 1981 investigation, and the triaxial and unconfined compression tests performed in 1984 on samples obtained from Borings 28-1 and 28-8. Due to the very steep bedding of the bedrock, vertical compression tests (triaxial and unconfined compression tests) tend to fail along the bedding planes instead of across bedding. Therefore, the selected across-bedding strength parameters presented in Table 5-2 were based on consideration of the direct shear test results and strength test results of Topanga Formation from other nearby design units. Due to the tendency of compression test specimens from this site to fail along bedding, the measured modulus values were considered to be lower than in situ values. Therefore, the range of modulus values presented in Table 5-2 was also based on consideration of measured modulus values from other design units combined with engineering judgement. Permeability tests performed on the thinly bedded<sub>5</sub> material indicated that the siltstone beds to have low permeability  $(10^{-5} \text{ cm/sec})$ , the claystone interbeds to have very low permeability  $(10^{-6} \text{ to } 10^{-7})$ , and the sandstone interbeds to have significantly higher permeability  $(10^{-6} \text{ cm/sec})$ .

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## Section 6.0



**Design Criteria for Station and Pocket Track** 



#### 6.0 GEOTECHNICAL EVALUATION AND DESIGN CRITERIA FOR STATION AND POCKET TRACK

#### 6.1 GENERAL EVALUATION

Construction of the Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track will involve an excavation through alluvial soils and bedrock to depths of 45 to 80 feet below the existing ground surface. The excavation will require shoring and lagging to support the exposed alluvial soils. Current ground water elevations increase northward and are above the planned subgrade elevation in the Pocket Track section. Dewatering will, therefore, be required to lower ground water levels up to about 40 feet at the north end of the Pocket Track section.

A primary consideration for design\_is the presence of the Hollywood Fault zone which crosses\_the proposed\_Pocket\_Track structure in the vicinity of Yucca Street. The Hollywood\_Fault\_is considered to be an active\_fault and capable of significant\_displacement\_during a maximum\_design earthquake\_event. The approximate location of the Hollywood Fault zone is shown on Drawings 2 and 4. However, it should be noted that the actual location and width of the fault zone and/or "zone of disruption" may extend beyond limits shown on Drawings 2 and 4.

The Hollywood Fault zone also creates a discontinuity in the subgrade materials upon which the Pocket Track section will be supported (see Drawing 5). Within the fault zone, the subgrade materials will vary from bedrock to deep alluvium. The differences in elastic properties of the alluvium and bedrock may cause differential settlements. <u>Geotechnical solutions to this condition</u> are limited to attempting to "smooth" the transition between materials by partial overexcavation of the bedrock. Design concepts should consider the potential for differential settlements which may approach 2 inches or more across this discontinuity.

The presence of the shallow bedrock north of the fault should not have a significant impact on shoring design. Installation of soldier piles and/or tieback anchors into the bedrock should not be unusually difficult, except where cemented sandstone or basalt intrusions are encountered.

Caving and ravelling of the coarse-grained alluvial soils should be expected during soldier pile and/or tieback construction. Consideration should be given to alternatives which would reduce the number of tiebacks penetrating into the caving soils (such as full or partial internal bracing).

The following subsections present more detailed evaluations and recommendations for design and construction of the Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track.

#### 6.2 EXCAVATION DEWATERING

#### 6.2.1 General

Dewatering will generally be required for construction of the Pocket Track section. However, no dewatering is anticipated for construction of the station at the southern portion of the site based on the reported water levels. Current ground water levels range from 0 to 40 feet above the proposed subgrade of the northern pocket track section and 40 to 60 feet below the ground surface (see Drawings 2 and 5).

Much of the pocket track will be in the Topanga Formation bedrock. We expect that the dewatering system will not be able to draw water levels down significantly below the bedrock surface. Therefore, dewatering in this section would require internal sumps as well as a perimeter pumping system since some water would escape perimeter pumps and flow into the excavation along the bedrock surface. A possible dewatering system might consist of the following:

- <sup>°</sup> deep wells and/or ejector wells placed around the perimeter of the excavation. Where the bedrock surface is above the planned subgrade, the wells should penetrate to the bedrock surface. Where the subgrade is underlain by alluvium, the wells should penetrate below the subgrade.
- <sup>°</sup> supplementary ditch drains and sumps would be added within the bedrock portion of the excavation to control flow into the excavation along the bedrock surface.

#### 6.2.2 Criteria for Dewatering Systems

It is understood that the contractor will be responsible for designing, installing, and operating a suitable construction dewatering system subject to review and acceptance by the Metro Rail Construction Manager. The system should satisfy the following criteria:

- The dewatering system should be installed and in operation for a sufficient period prior to the excavation reaching the level of static ground water level to adequately drawdown the ground water table. This period is a function of the maximum pumping capacity installed.
- <sup>°</sup> The system should maintain the ground water levels low enough to prevent piping of the alluvial soils into the excavation. Inflow quantities should be reduced to levels which can be handled by a drain/sump system and allow excavation and construction to proceed.
- <sup>°</sup> Wells must be designed and developed to eliminate loss of ground from piping of soils from around the wells. The well operations should be constantly monitored for evidence of piping.
- The system should maintain water levels low enough to assure the stability of the bottom of the excavation at all times during construction.
- The system should be operated continuously. Emergency power and backup pumps should be required to ensure continual excavation dewatering.

#### 6.2.3 <u>Induced</u> Subsidence

Submerged alluvial deposits varying in thickness up to a maximum of about 20 feet are expected to be dewatered during construction. Potential settlements due to dewatering were calculated based on the assumption that the materials

below the water table were granular and similar to those encountered in the borings. In addition, it was assumed that the dewatered soils overlie Topanga bedrock. These calculations indicate that total surface settlement would be less than 1/4 inch for up to 20 feet of drawdown. Differential settlements across adjacent structures should be less than 1/8 inch. Some of the settlement caused by dewatering would rebound after dewatering is terminated and water levels reach equilibrium.

#### 6.3 UNDERPINNING

The need to underpin and the appropriate type of underpinning for specific buildings located adjacent to the proposed excavation depends on many factors related to both engineering and economics. Thus each structure needs to be evaluated separately. To aid the designers in evaluating underpinning requirements, this section presents general underpinning guidelines based on engineering considerations as shown on Figure 6-1.

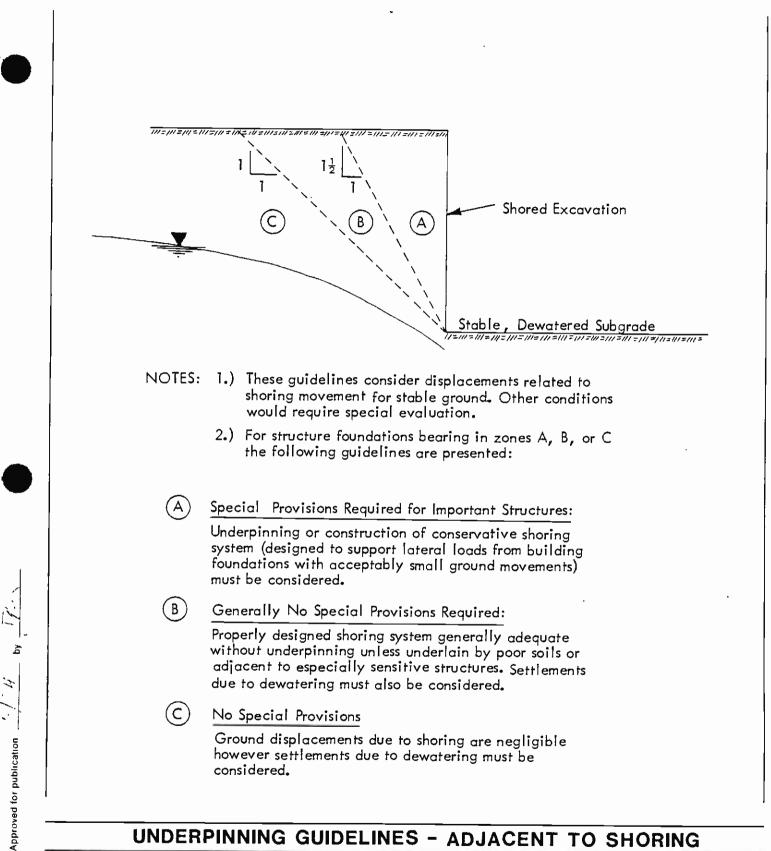
The proposed location of the station and Pocket Track shown on Drawing 3 generally provides setbacks of 70 to 90 feet from the larger structures in the area such as the Hollywood Pacific Theater, Hollywood Security Building, and Mayfair Apartments (see Drawings 3 and 4). However, the possibility of deterioration of wood piles due to ground water lowering should be checked for these larger structures. There are some minor structures which are closer to the proposed station. These include two minor commercial structures, west of the station on Hollywood Boulevard, which appear to be within about 25 feet of the excavation; two residential structures, at the north end of the Pocket Track, which are within about 60 feet; and one residence which is about 25 feet from the excavation. Considering the relatively minor size and importance of the nearest structures, it is not expected that the section designer will recommend underpinning at this site. Therefore, no further discussions and recommendations on underpinning are considered warranted at this time.

#### 6.4 TEMPORARY EXCAVATIONS

#### 6.4.1 <u>Gen</u>eral

The required A350 station and pocket track excavation will extend some 45 to 80 feet below the existing ground surface and up to 40 feet below the water table. Several methods for supporting vertical excavations may be employed. These methods include soldier piles with lagging, sheet piles, and slurry wall construction. Bracing systems are generally limited to soil/rock anchor tiebacks or internal bracing. We understand that the excavation support system will be chosen and designed by the contractor in accordance with specified criteria and subject to the review and acceptance by the Metro Rail Construction Manager.

Conditions encountered at the site will cause some difficulty in installation of any type of shoring system. Difficult drilling and caving of the sand/ gravel alluvium was experienced during exploration in all borings. Man-size auger Boring 28C encountered ravelling and sloughing from a shallow gravelly layer (12 to 16 feet) and below the water level (52 feet). Rotary wash Boring



## **UNDERPINNING GUIDELINES - ADJACENT TO SHORING**

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28-6 encountered caving conditions below about 52 feet, and the hole eventually caved back from 82 feet to 58 feet and was abandoned. Casing was required to a depth of 31 feet in Boring 28-8. Therefore, caving should be anticipated in excavations which penetrate the granular alluvium. In addition, excavations which penetrate the bedrock may encounter hard cemented sandstone zones or intrusions of basalt.

Both slurry wall and soldier pile systems are considered feasible, but their construction will likely encounter problems with caving as discussed above. Driven sheet pile shoring does not appear feasible at this site due to the presence of dense gravelly soils and the possibility of encountering cemented bedrock or basalt intrusions.

Internal bracing would appear to be preferable over tiebacks from the installation standpoint due to the potential for caving in the granular alluvium. Consideration may be given to a combination of tieback support in the upper portion of the shoring and internal bracing in the lower portions (where tiebacks would penetrate the granular alluvium).

The need for a stiff shoring system (such as a slurry wall) does not appear to be necessary at this site since no major structures appear to fall within the zone of influence of the excavation.

Considering the above-discussed items and local construction practice, we believe that a conventional soldier pile and lagging shoring system with tiebacks and/or internal bracing is the most likely shoring system to be used at this site. The following discussions and recommendations are, therefore, directed to a conventional soldier pile wall system. However, other shoring systems can be considered by the contractor, and further recommendations can be provided for their design if required.

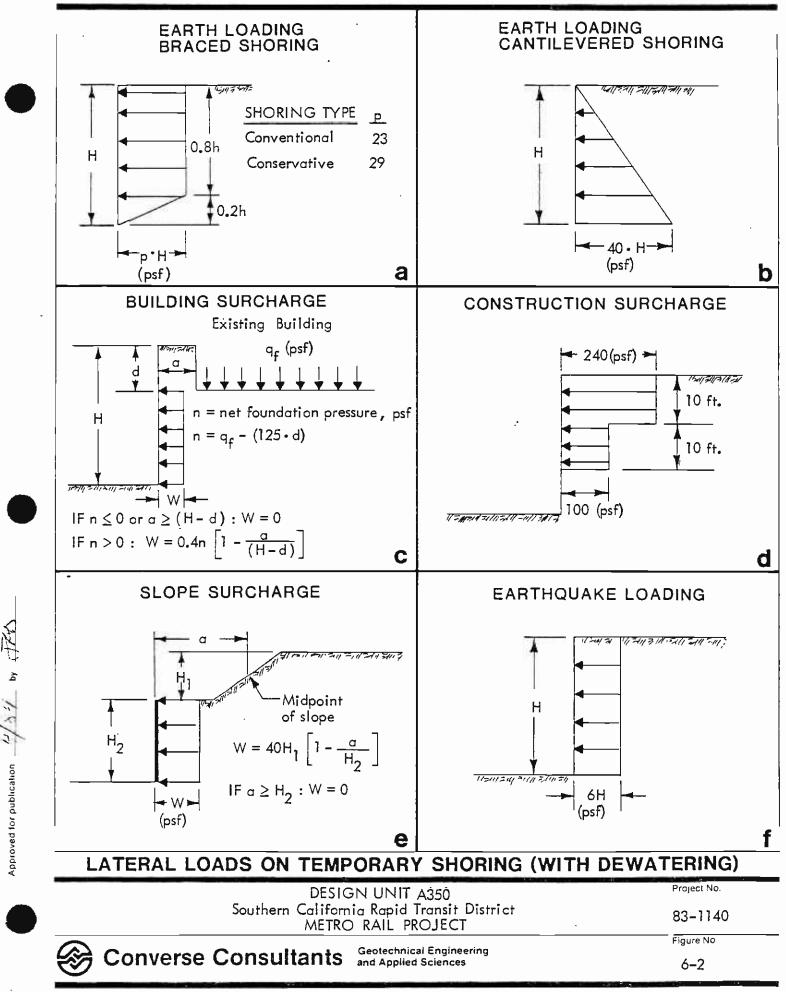
#### 6.4.2 Shoring Design Criteria

This section provides design criteria for both conventional and conservative soldier pile shoring systems consisting of soldier piles and wooden lagging supported by tiebacks and/or internal bracing. The soldier piles are assumed to consist of steel W or H-sections installed in predrilled circular shafts. It is assumed that the drilled shaft will be filled with concrete. Thus, for computing the allowable soil loads, the piles were assumed to have circular concrete sections.

Appendix E.1 summarizes the design shoring pressures for nine shoring systems in the Los Angeles vicinity. There are no known data on field measurements of actual lateral soil pressures for shored excavations in the Los Angeles area and, therefore, the design pressures of Appendix E.1 have not been directly verified. However, performance of shoring walls designed based on local practice has generally been good.

Specific shoring design criteria include:

<sup>°</sup> <u>Design Wall Pressure</u>: Figures 6-2a and 6-2b present the recommended lateral earth pressure on the temporary shoring walls. Design lateral pressures for both conventional and conservative shoring systems are presented in Figure 6-2a. Figure 6-2e also includes the case of partial slope cuts. Appendix D.2 provides technical support for the recommended



seismic pressures of Figure 6-2f. The full loading diagram above the bottom of excavation should be used to determine the design loads on tieback anchors and the required depth of embedment of the soldier piles. For computing design stresses in the soldier piles, the computed values can be multiplied by 0.8. For sizing lagging, the earth pressures can be reduced by a factor of 0.5.

<u>Depth of Pile Embedment</u>: The embedment depth of the soldier pile below the lowest anticipated excavation depth must be sufficient to satisfy both the lateral and vertical loads under static and dynamic loading conditions for both soil and bedrock materials.

The required depth of embedment to satisfy vertical loading should be computed based on allowable vertical loads shown on Figures 6-3 and 6-4. Figure 6-3 should be used for piles penetrating alluvium. Figure 6-4 should be used for piles penetrating into Topanga Formation bedrock.

The imposed lateral load on the pile should be computed based on the earth pressure diagrams of Figure 6-2 minus the support from tiebacks and/or internal bracing. The required depth of embedment to satisfy lateral loads should be computed based on the net allowable passive resistance (total passive resistance of the soldier pile minus the active earth pressure below the excavation). Due to arching effects, it is recommended that the effective pile diameter be assumed equal to 1.5 pile diameters or half of the pile spacing, whichever is less. Figures 6-5 and 6-6 indicate the recommended method to compute net passive resistance. Figure 6-5 should be used for piles penetrating alluvium. Figure 6-6 should be used for piles which penetrate bedrock.

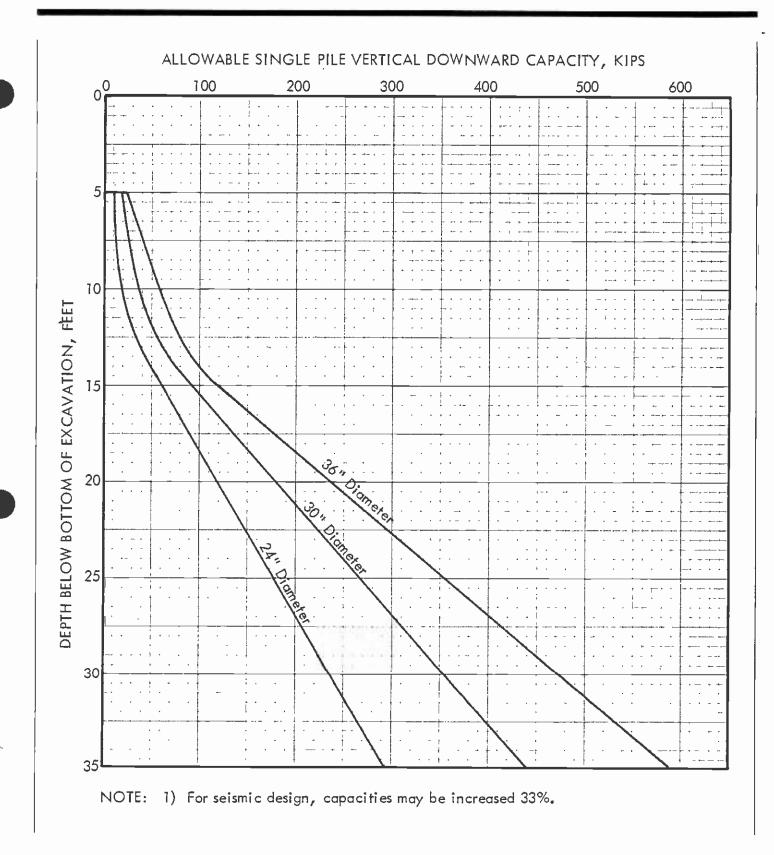
- <u>Pile Spacing and Lagging</u>: The optimum pile spacing depends on many factors including soil type, soil loads, member sizes and costs. Exposed alluvial soils will be subject to ravelling and sloughing. Thus, it is recommended that continuous lagging be placed to minimize ravelling of soils and loss of ground between soldier piles and that pile spacing be limited to 8 feet center to center. The contractor should limit the temporarily exposed soil height to less than 3 feet to control ravelling problems, especially in the dewatered zone.
- \* <u>Excavation Stability</u>: As part of the shoring design, stability calculations should be performed to verify that the shoring/tieback system has an adequate safety factor against deep-seated failure.

#### 6.4.3 Internal Bracing and Tiebacks

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6.4.3.1 General: Tiebacks and/or internal bracing may both be suitable to support the temporary shoring wall for the proposed excavation. Tiebacks have the advantage of producing an open excavation which can significantly simplify the excavation procedure and construction of the permanent structure. However, at this site, installation of tiebacks may be difficult in the granular alluvium due to the potential for caving. Obtaining permission to install tiebacks under adjacent properties and encountering obstructions from adjacent below grade structures (such as basements) can also affect the economics and feasibility of tiebacks.



### VERTICAL CAPACITY OF PILES FOR SHORING & DECKING (ALLUVIUM)

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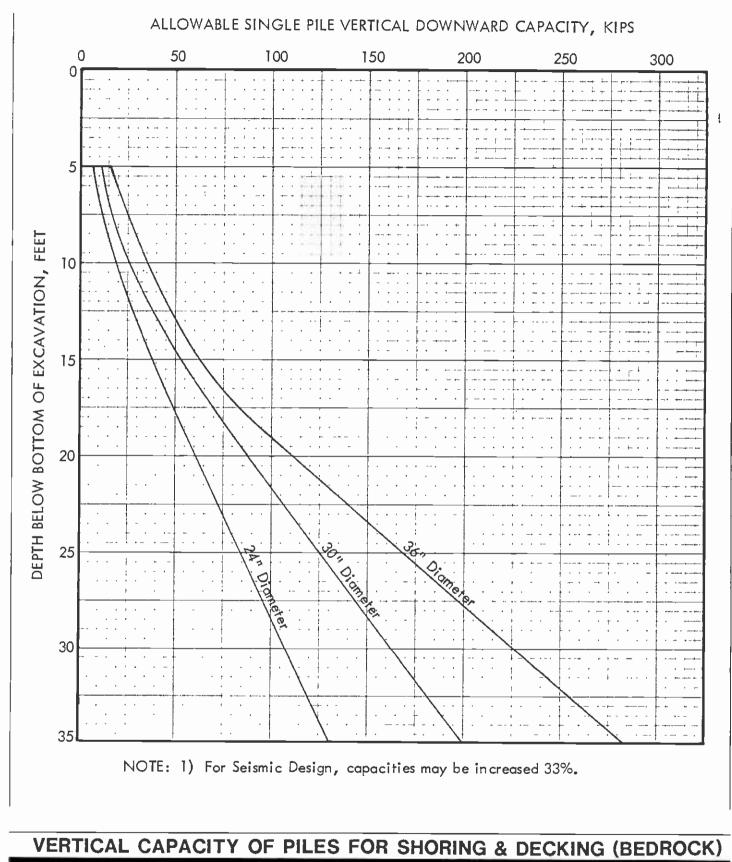
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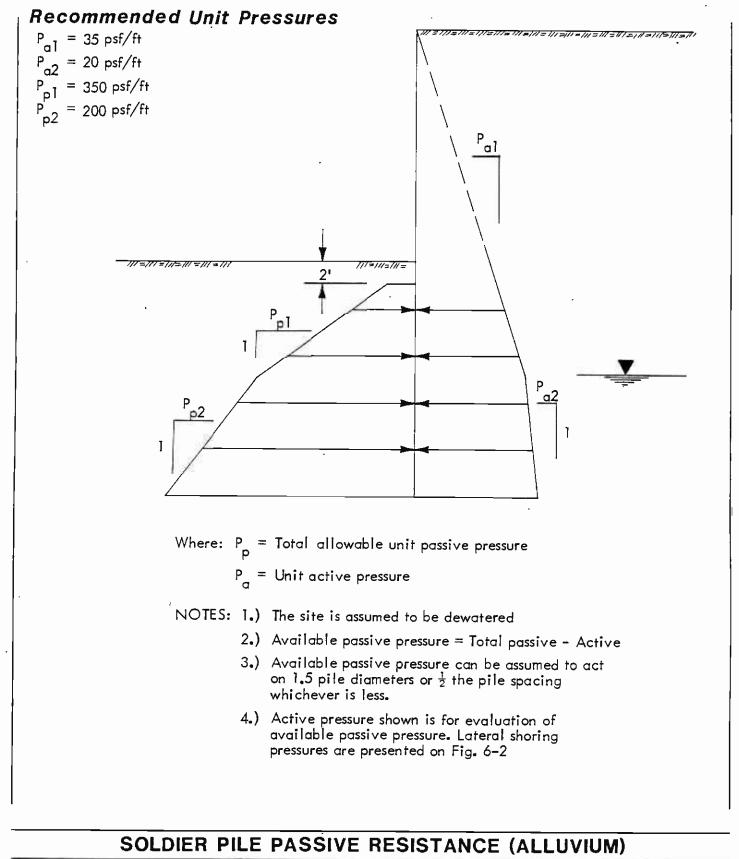
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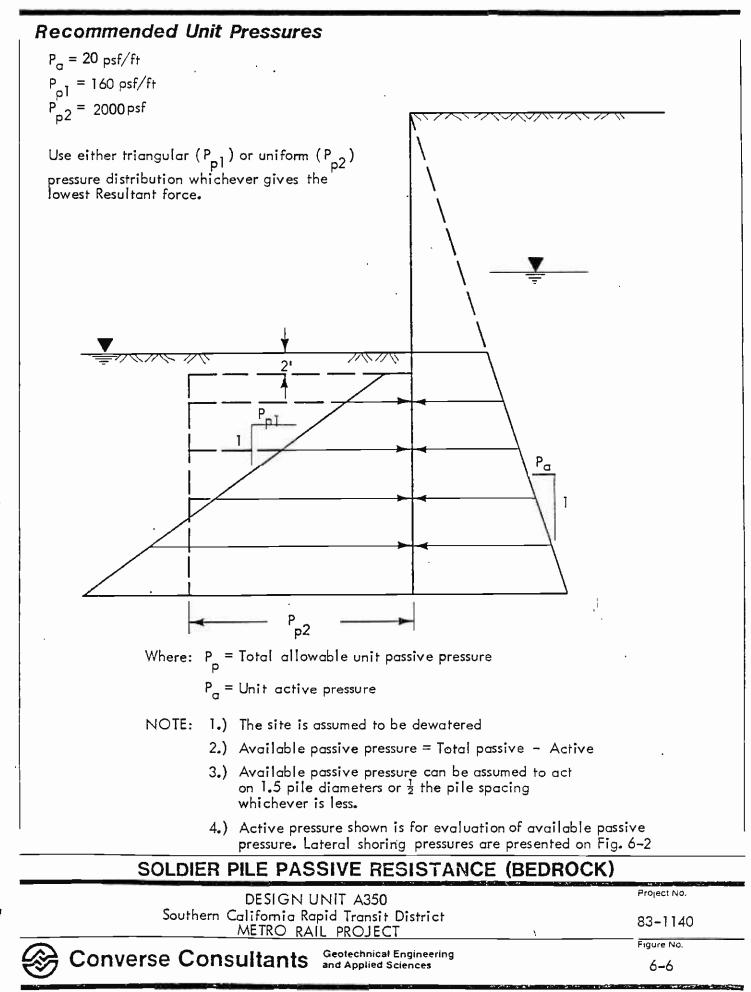
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- 6.4.3.2 Performance: Based on available field data there does not appear to be a significant difference between the maximum ground movements of properly designed and carefully constructed tieback walls or internally braced walls. However, there is a difference in the distribution of the ground movements. Prestressing of both tiebacks and struts is essential to confirm design capacities and minimize ground movements.
- 6.4.3.3 Internal Bracing: The contractor should not be allowed to extend the excavation an excessive distance below the lowest strut level prior to installing the next strut level. The maximum vertical distance depends on several specific details such as the design of the wall and the allowable ground movement. These details cannot be generalized. However, as a guideline, we recommend consideration of the following maximum allowable vertical distances between struts:
  - Conventional Shoring System: 12 feet
     Conservative Shoring System: 8 feet

In addition, the contractor should not be allowed to extend the excavation more than 3 feet below the designated support level before placing the next level of struts. The contractor may be allowed to excavate a trench within the excavation to facilitate construction operations provided the trench is not less than 15 feet horizontally from the shoring and does not extend more than 6 feet below the designated support level.

To remove slack and limit ground movement, the struts should be preloaded. A preload equal to 50% of the design load is normally desirable. The shoring design, preload procedures, and monitoring/ maintenance procedures must provide for the effects of temperature changes to maintain the shoring support.

6.4.3.4 Tieback Anchors: There are numerous types of tieback anchors available including large diameter straight shaft friction anchors, belled anchors, high pressure grouted anchors, high pressure regroutable anchors, and others. Generally, in the Los Angeles area, high capacity straight shaft or belled anchors have been used in soils which are stable and dewatered and where construction conditions are favorable.

> Tieback anchor capacity can be determined only in the field based on anchor load tests. For estimating purposes, we recommend that the capacity of drilled straight shaft friction anchors be computed based on the following equation:

> > $P = \pi DLq$

Where:

- P = allowable anchor design load in pounds
- D = anchor diameter in feet
- L = anchor length beyond no load zone in feet
- q = soil adhesion in psf.

The design adhesion value (q) can be determined by:

q = 750 psf (in all bedrock)

 $q = 20d_1 + 10D_2 < 750 \text{ psf}$  (in alluvium)

Where:

- d<sub>1</sub> = average depth (in feet) of the non-submerged anchor beyond the no-load zone; measured vertically from the ground surface.
- d<sub>2</sub> = average depth (in feet) of the submerged anchor below the ground water level.

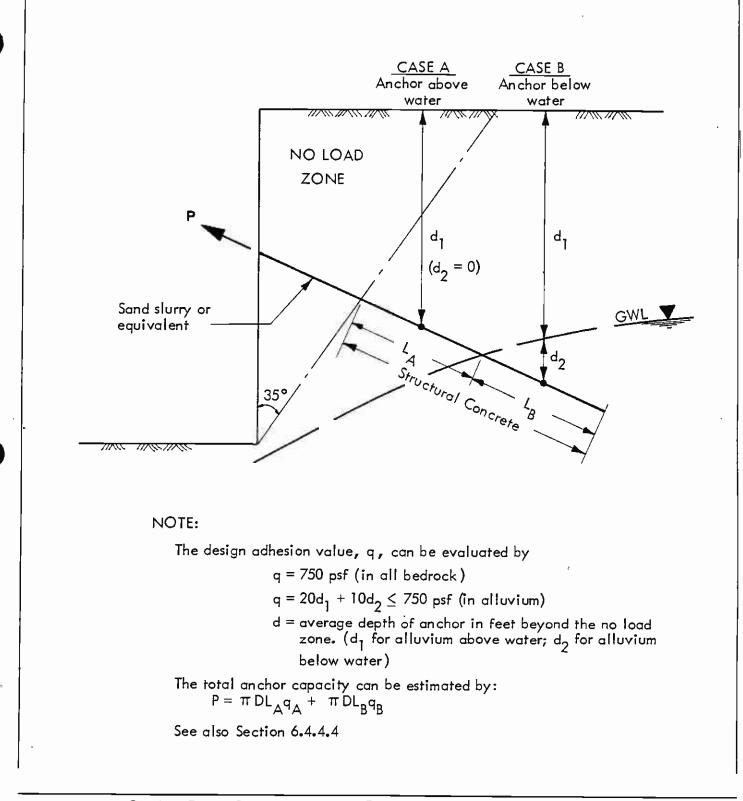
Figure 6-7 illustrates the tieback anchor guidelines.

The above allowable anchor capacity/length relationships are for straight shaft friction anchors only. Design parameters for other types of anchors such as high pressure grouted anchors and high pressure regroutable anchors must be based on experience in the field and on the results of test anchors.

For design purposes, it should be assumed that the potential wedge of failure behind the shored excavation is determined by a plane drawn at 35° with the vertical through the bottom of the excavation. Only the frictional resistance developed beyond the no-load zone should be assumed effective in resisting lateral loads. Based on specific site conditions, the extent of the no-load zone may be locally decreased to avoid underground obstructions.

Structural concrete should be placed in the lower portion of the anchor up to the limit of the no-load zone. Placement of the anchor grout should be done by pumping the concrete through a tremie or pipe extending to the bottom of the shaft. The anchor shaft between the no-load zone and the face of the shoring must be backfilled with a sand slurry or equivalent after concrete placement. Alternatively, special bond breakers can be applied to the strands or bars in the no-load zone and the entire shaft filled with concrete.

For tieback anchor installations, the contractor should be required to use a method which will minimize loss of ground due to caving. Anchors installed in the clay/sand soils should not experience significant caving problems. However, caving of the granular alluvium is expected to occur due to vibration from the drilling equipment and/or ground water effects. Uncontrolled caving not only causes installation problems but could result in surface subsidence and settlement of overlying buildings. To minimize caving, casing could be installed as the hole is advanced but must be pulled as the concrete is poured. Alternatively, a hollow stem auger could be used.



## STRAIGHT SHAFT TIEBACK ANCHOR CAPACITY

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It is recommended that each tieback anchor be test loaded to 150% of the design load and then locked off at the design load. At 150% of the design load, the anchor deflection should not exceed 0.1 inches over a 15-minute period. In addition, 5% to 10% of the anchors should be test-loaded to 200% of the design load and then locked off at the design load. At 200% of design load the anchor deflections should not exceed 0.15 inches over a 15-minute period. The rate of deflection should consistently decrease during the test period. If the rate of deflection does not decrease the test should not be considered satisfactory.

#### 6.4.4 Anticipated Ground Movements

The ground movements associated with a shored excavation depend on many factors including the contractors procedures and schedule, and therefore, the distribution and magnitude of ground movements are difficult to predict. Based on shoring performance data for excavations combined with our engineering judgement, we estimate that the ground movements associated with properly designed and carefully constructed soldier pile shoring systems will be as follows:

- <sup>o</sup> <u>Conventional Wall With Tieback Anchors</u>: The maximum horizontal wall deflection will equal about 0.1% to 0.2% of the excavation depth. The maximum horizontal movement should occur near the top of the wall and decrease with depth. The maximum settlement behind the wall should be equal to about 50% to 100% of the maximum horizontal movement and will probably occur at a distance behind the wall equal to about 25% to 50% of the excavation depth.
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Conventional Wall With Internal Bracing</u>: The maximum horizontal and vertical ground movements will be similar to those anticipated with tiebacks. However, the maximum horizontal movement will probably occur near the bottom of the excavation decreasing to about 25% of the maximum at the surface.
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Conservative Wall with Tiebacks</u>: We believe that the higher design pressure presented for conservative walls will reduce ground movements and limit the maximum horizontal and vertical movements to about 0.1% of the excavation depth.
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Conservative Wall With Internal Bracing</u>: Similar to that described above for the conservative tieback supported wall.

#### 6.5 SUPPORT OF TEMPORARY DECKING

We understand that temporary street decking for the Hollywood and Cahuenga Boulevard crossings will require center support piles. These piles would have to extend below the maximum proposed excavation level for support. At these depths, the piles would be founded within the granular alluvium and Topanga Formation bedrock. These materials are suitable for supporting pile loads. Since the shoring contractor will probably install soldier piles to support the excavation, we believe that he may use similar piles to support the center decking. Accordingly, we evaluated the allowable loads on these types of piles for several typical diameters. The recommended allowable design loads are shown on Figures 6-3 and 6-4. These values include both end bearing and shaft friction.

#### 6.6 INSTRUMENTATION OF THE EXCAVATION

In our opinion the proposed A350 excavation should be instrumented to reduce. liability (by having documentation of performance), to validate design and construction requirements, to identify problems before they become critical, and to obtain data valuable for future designs.

We recommend the following instrumentation program:

- Preconstruction Survey: A qualified civil engineer should complete a visual and photographic log of all streets and structures adjacent to the sites prior to construction or dewatering. This will minimize the risks associated with claims against the owner/contractor. If substantial cracks are noted in the existing structures, they should be measured and periodically remeasured during the construction period.
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Surface Survey Control</u>: It is recommended that several locations around the excavations and on any nearby structures be surveyed prior to any construction activity and then periodically to monitor potential vertical and horizontal movement to the nearest 0.01 feet. In addition, survey markers should be placed at the top of piles spaced no more than every fourth pile or 25 feet, whichever is less.
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Tiltmeters</u>: Tiltmeters are used to monitor the verticality of buildings adjacent to the excavation and can provide a forewarning of distress. Normally ceramic plates are glued to the building walls and read using a portable tiltmeter containing the same type of tilt sensor used in inclinometers. It is recommended that a few tiltmeters be placed on the exterior walls of buildings which are located within the underpinning zone defined on Figure 6-1. Baseline readings should be made prior to all construction activity, and subsequent readings should be made at several excavation/ construction stages through the end of construction.
- Observation Well Monitoring: Adequate ground water observation wells should be installed prior to dewatering operations. Ground water levels should be monitored frequently during construction.
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Inclinometers</u>: It is recommended that several inclinometers be installed and monitored around the station excavation. Inclinometers should be located on each side of the excavation. The casing could be installed within the soldier pile holes or in separate holes immediately adjacent to the shoring wall. The casing should extend to a depth sufficient to assume fixity of the bottom of the casing. Baseline readings of the inclinometers should be made immediately upon installation. Subsequent readings should be made at regular time intervals at intervals of excavation progress.

<u>Heave Monitoring</u>: The magnitude of the total ground heave should be measured. This information will be valuable in determining the ground response to load change and as an indirect check on the magnitude of the predicted settlement of the station structure.

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We recommend that heave gages be installed along the longitudinal centerline of the excavation on about 200-foot centers. The devices could consist of conical steel points, installed in a borehole, and monitored with a probing rod that mates with the top of the conical point. The borehole should be filled with a thick colored slurry to maintain an open hole and allow for easy hole location. The top of the points should be at least 2 feet below the bottom of the final excavation to protect them from equipment yet allow for easy access should the hole collapse.

The points should be installed and surveyed prior to starting excavation. Once the excavation begins, readings should be taken at about two-week intervals until the excavation is completed and all heave has stopped.

- <sup>°</sup> <u>Convergence Measurements</u>: We recommend the use of tape extensometers to measure the convergence between points at opposite faces of the excavation during various stages of excavation. These measurements provide inexpensive data to supplement the inclinometer and survey information.
- <sup>o</sup> Measurement of Strut Loads: If internal bracing is used, we recommend that the loads on at least four struts at each support level be monitored periodically during the construction period. These measurements provide data on support loads and a forewarning of load reductions which would result in excessive ground movements. There should be a means of measuring the strut temperature at the time of the load readings.
- Frequency of Readings: An appropriate frequency of instrumentation readings depends on many factors including the construction progress, the results of the instrumentation readings (i.e., if any unusual readings are obtained), costs, and other factors which cannot be generalized. The devices should be installed and initial readings should be taken as early as possible. Readings should then be taken as frequently as necessary to determine the behavior being monitored. For ground movements this should be no greater than one to two-week intervals during the major excavation phases of the work. Strut load measurements should be more frequent, possibly even daily, when significant construction activity is occurring near the strut (such as excavation, placement of another level of struts, etc.).

The frequency of the readings should be increased if unusual behavior is observed.

In our opinion, it is important that the installation and measurement of the instrumentation devices be under the direction and control of the Engineer. Experience has shown when the instrumentation program has been included in the bid package as a furnish and install item, the quality of the work has often been inadequate such that the data are questionable. By defining Support Work (Contractor) and Specialist Work (Engineer) in the bid documents, RTD could allow the contractor to provide support to the Engineer in installing the instrumentation.

#### 6.7 EXCAVATION HEAVE AND SETTLEMENT OF THE STATION STRUCTURE & POCKET TRACK

#### 6.7.1 <u>General</u>

The proposed excavation will substantially change the ground stresses below and adjacent to the excavation. The proposed 55-foot excavation at the station will decrease the vertical effective ground stresses by about 7000 psf. The proposed 80-foot deep excavation at the north end of the Pocket Track will result in an effective stress reduction of about 8000 psf. Stress reduction caused by the excavation will result in rebound or heave of the alluvium and bedrock below the excavation. Since the excavation will be open for an extended period, the heave is expected to be completed prior to construction of the Station. The structure and subsequent backfilling will reload the soil. We estimate that the net loads will be about 4000 psf at the station and 4500 to 7000 psf along the Pocket Track. These loads will cause the ground to reconsolidate or settle. Thus, even though the weight of the excavated soil exceeds the weight of the final structure, the structure will experience some\_settlement due to recompression.

#### 6.7.2 Excavation Heave

We estimate that the maximum heave at the center of the excavation will range from 3 to 5 inches. We believe that the majority of this will occur while the excavation is being made. These estimates are based on computations of elastic shear deformation (elastic rebound) within the alluvium and bedrock underlying the proposed excavation.

#### 6.7.3 Total Settlement

Settlement calculations for the station and pocket track structures were performed based on the elastic properties of the subgrade materials and estimated imposed loads due to the structures and backfill given above. Total settlement of the station structure was estimated to range from 1 to 3 inches. Settlement of the pocket track was estimated to range from 2 to 4 inches. This range is considered applicable to both the alluvium and bedrock supported portions of the pocket track.

#### 6.7.4 Differential Settlement

Due to the long narrow shape of the imposed load, the calculated differential settlement between the edge and center of the structure ranged between 1/2 to 3/4 inch considering both alluvial and bedrock subgrade conditions. This correlates to an angular rotation of 1:500 to 1:700. However, differential settlements due to variations of subgrade conditions along the structure could be 2 inches within the Hollywood fault zone. Differential settlement may occur over short distances such as at the contact between bedrock and alluvial. The exact location of such subgrade discontinuities cannot be determined at this time, and the accuracy of the estimated differential settlement cannot be further refined until more detailed information can be obtained regarding the characteristics of the bedrock and alluvial materials in the vicinity of the fault.



Geotechnical solutions to the problem of the subgrade discontinuity at the Hollywood Fault are generally limited to "smoothing" the discontinuity to reduce the angular distortion. This may include a wedge-shaped overexcavation of the bedrock material and replacement with compacted fill. However, the benefit of such solutions would be difficult to quantify for the purpose of design and, therefore, should be considered only supplemental. It is our conclusion that this discontinuity may best be handled by an increase in structure stiffness to "bridge" over the discontinuity. The structural designer should give this problem special attention.

#### 6.8 FOUNDATION SYSTEMS

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#### 6.8.1 Main Structures

It is understood that the proposed Hollywood/Cahuenga Station and Pocket Track will be supported on a thick base slab which will function as a massive mat foundation. We estimate that the net mat foundation bearing pressures will be about 4000 to 7000 psf. In our opinion the station and Pocket Track can be adequately supported on mat foundations. However, special consideration must be given to potential differential settlements at the Hollywood Fault Zone crossing as discussed in Section 6.7.

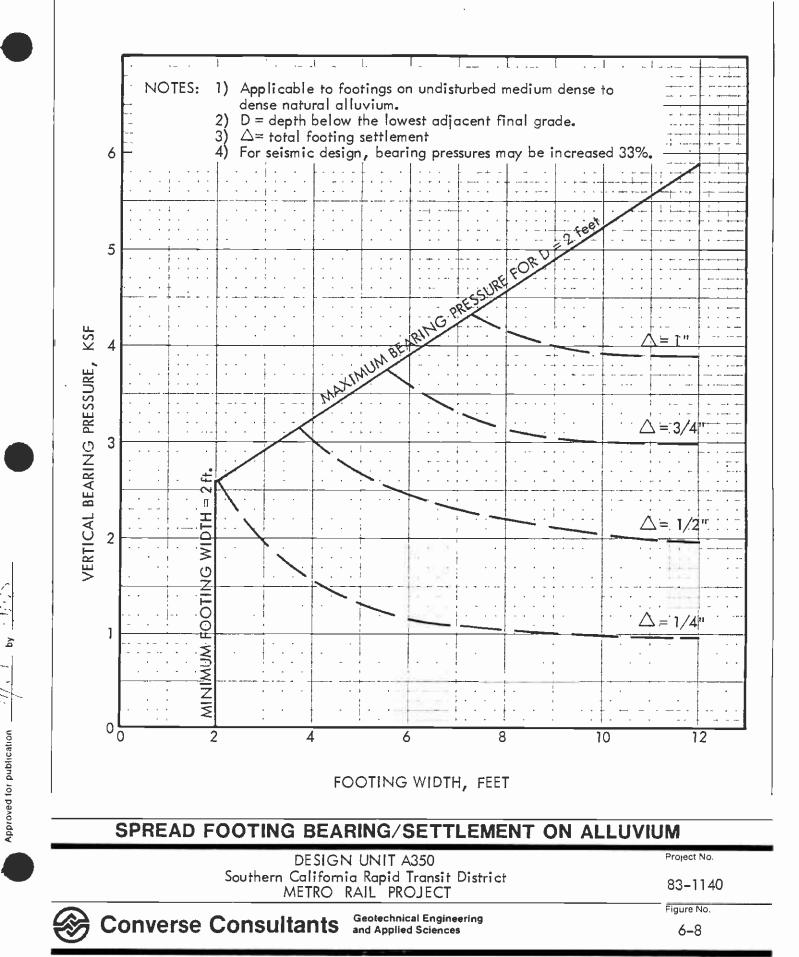
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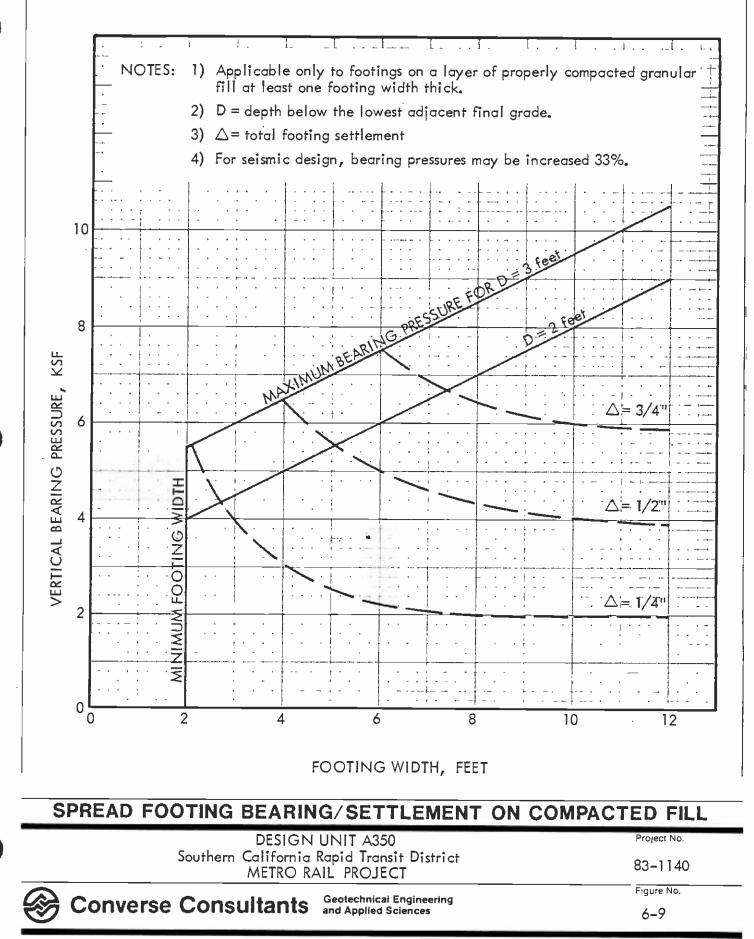
Surface structures can be generally supported on conventional spread footings founded on undisturbed stiff or dense natural soils. If suitable natural soils do not exist at the surface structure site, footings may be founded on a zone of properly compacted structural fill (see Appendix E). Allowable bearing pressures and estimated total settlements of spread footings bearing on the natural alluvium or compacted fill can be determined based on Figures 6-8 and 6-9. These figures are based on analytical procedures and experience in the Los Angeles area but are generally conservative due to lack of detailed information on structural loadings and site conditions at specific surface structure locations. Detailed site specific studies should be performed to provide final design recommendations for individual structures.

All spread footing foundations should be founded at least 2 feet below the lowest adjacent final grade and should be at least 2 feet wide. The bearing values shown on Figures 6-8 and 6-9 are for full dead load and frequently applied live load. For transient loads, including seismic and wind loads, the bearing values can be increased by 33%. Differential settlements between adjacent footings should be estimated as 1/2 of the average total settlements or the difference in the estimated total settlements shown on Figures 6-8 and 6-9, whichever is larger.

For design, resistance to lateral loads on surface structures can be assumed to be provided by passive earth pressure and friction acting on the foundations. An allowable passive pressure of 200 psf/ft may be used for the sides of footings poured neat against undisturbed alluvium or properly compacted fill. Frictional resistance at the base of foundations should be determined using a frictional coefficient of 0.35 with dead load forces.







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#### 6.9 PERMANENT GROUND WATER PROVISIONS

We understand that the station and Pocket Track will be designed to be watertight and to resist the full permanent hydrostatic pressures. We recommend that full waterproofing be carried at least 5 feet above the anticipated maximum ground water levels given in Section 6.10.

#### 6.10 LOADS ON SLAB AND WALLS

#### 6.10.1 Hydrostatic Pressures

As discussed in Section 5.3, the existing ground water levels are estimated to range from about Elevation 305 at the south end of the station to about Elevation 380 at the north end of the Pocket Track. It is recommended that the following ground water levels be assumed for determining hydrostatic pressures:

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 	-	Pocket Station	390 315

#### 6.10.2 Permanent Static Earth Pressures

Figure 6-10 presents lateral earth pressure diagrams recommended for design of permanent subsurface walls.

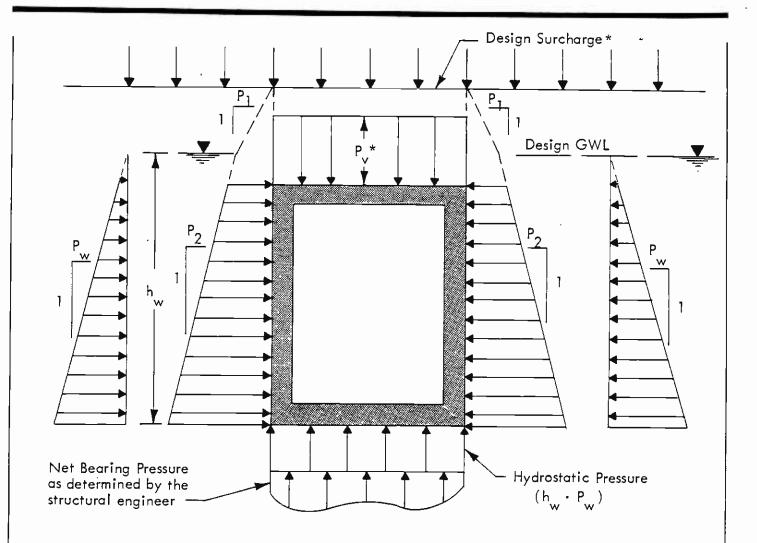
Vertical earth pressures on the roof should be assumed equal to the full moist and/or saturated weight of overburden soil plus surcharge.

We understand that MRTC has modified the Design Criteria and Standards for underground structures to permit use of a simplifying and conservative assumption resulting in a uniform net foundation bearing pressure for the design of the invert slabs of box structures. The use of the elastic soilstructure analysis or the simplified uniform pressure approach is left to the discretion of MRTC and Section Designer.

#### 6.10.3 <u>Sur</u>charge Loads

Lateral surcharge loads from existing or proposed buildings above the structure must be added to the lateral design earth pressure loads. The lateral surcharge loads are identical to those recommended for temporary walls. Procedures for computing these are presented on Figure 6-2. Vertical surcharge loads due to possible future structures, surface traffic, etc. should also be included in roof design. In addition, consideration should be given to loads imposed by earthmoving equipment during backfill operations.





LOADING		DESIGN L	OAD PARAM	ETERS	
	P1 (psf)	P <sub>2</sub> (psf)	P <sub>w</sub> (psf)	P	GWL
End Construction	40	20	62.4	*	**
Long Term	60	30	62.4	*	***
Side sway +	40/60	20/30	62.4	*	**

- P = full overburden pressure (depth x total density) plus design surcharge; distribution and magnitude of design surcharge to be determined by section designer.
- \*\* Designer should use a GWL (between the base of slab and long term water elevation) which will be critical for the loading condition.

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- \*\*\* Varies linearly from elev. 315 at the south end to elev. 390 at the north end.
- + Sidesway condition assumes "End Construction" pressure on one side of the structure and "Long Term" on the other.

## LOADS ON PERMANENT WALLS

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#### 6.11 SEISMIC CONSIDERATIONS

#### 6.11.1 General

Design procedures and criteria for underground structures under earthquake loading conditions are defined in the Southern California Rapid Transit District (SCRTD) 1984 report entitled "Guidelines for Design of Underground Structures". Evaluations of the seismological conditions which may impact the project and the probable maximum credible earthquakes, which may be anticipated in the Los Angeles area, are described in the SCRTD report entitled "Seismological Investigation and Design Criteria", dated May, 1983. The 1984 report complements and supplements the 1983 report.

#### 6.11.2 Dynamic Material Properties

Dynamic soil parameters required for input into the various types of analyses recommended in the seismic criteria report are presented in Table 6-1. These include values of dynamic Young's modulus, dynamic constrained modulus, and dynamic shear modulus at low strain levels.

The compression and shear wave velocities are based on interpretation of limited geophysical surveys performed in Borings CEG-28 and CEG-34 during the 1981 investigation. These velocities have been used together with the corresponding values of density and Poisson's ratio to establish modulus values at low strain levels.

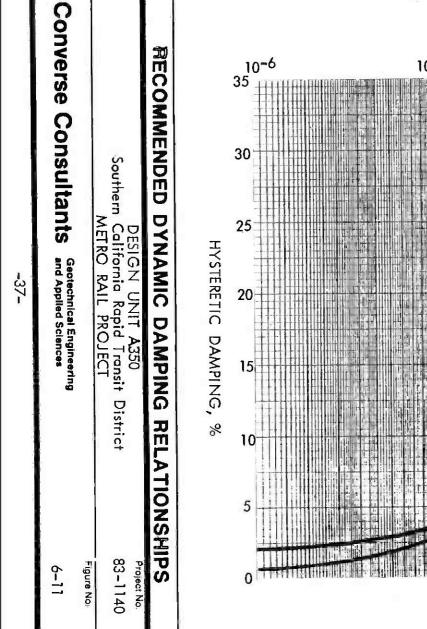
		MIXED ALLUVIUM (A <sub>3</sub> /A <sub>4</sub> )	GRANULAR ALLUVIUM ( <sup>A</sup> 3)	BEDROCK (Tt)
Average Compression Wave Velocity, V (ft	:/sec) - moist - <u>s</u> aturated	2000 5000	2000 5000	6000 6000
Average Shear Wave Velocity, Vs (ft/sec)		1000	1300	1 200
*Poisson's Ratio		0.35	0.35	0.35
Young's Modulus, E, (psi)	- moist - saturated	67,000 185,000	67,000 185,000	630,000 630,000
Constrained Modulus, E <sub>c</sub> , (psi)	- moist - saturated	108,000 700,000	108,000 700,000	1,000,000
Shear Modulus, G <sub>max</sub> , (psi)		27,000	45,500	40,000

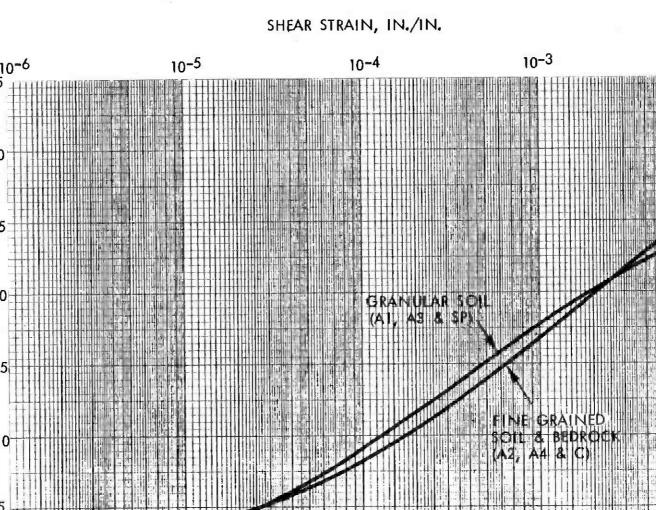
		TABLE	E 6-1				
RECOMMENDED	DYNAMIC	MATERIAL	PROPERTIES	FOR	USE	IN DESIGN	

\* For saturated condition, use value of 0.45.

The variation of dynamic shear modulus, with shear strain is presented in Figure 6-11 for the various geologic units. Variation of the dynamic shear modulus is expressed as the ratio of the strain compatible modulus (G) to the very low strain modulus ( $G_{max}$ ). Similar relationships for soil hysteretic damping are presented in Figure 6-12. The modulus and damping curves are based on dynamic laboratory tests performed during our 1981 investigation. Dynamic test results are presented in Vol. II, Appendix H of our 1981 report.



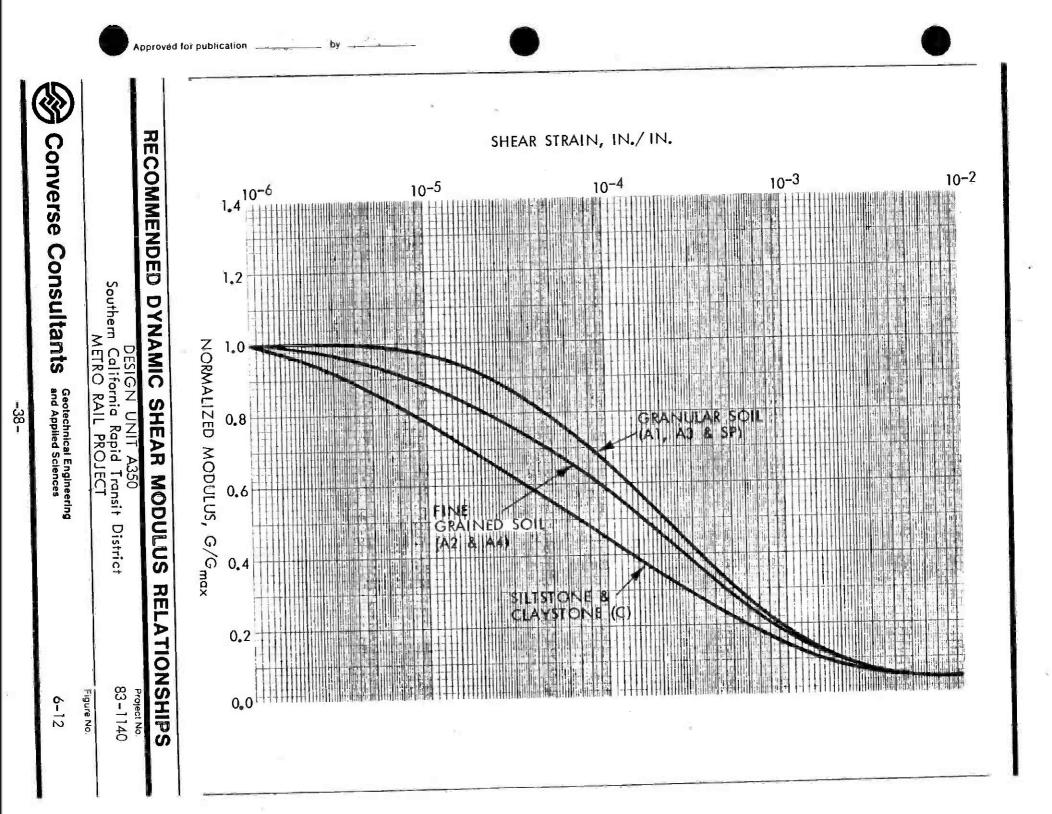




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### 6.11.3 Liquefaction Potential

A generalized subsurface cross section has been described in Section 5.0 and is shown in Drawings 2 and 5. The ground water level appears to follow the predominately granular layer. Soils which are saturated and, therefore, must be evaluated for liquefaction potential include the silty sands and gravelly sands of the natural granular alluvial soils.

Liquefaction evaluation procedures were based mainly on correlations of field Standard Penetration Tests (SPT) and performance of soils during previous earthquakes. The field Standard Penetration Tests made at this site during this and the previous geotechnical investigation (1981 Geotechnical Investigation Report) were used for our evaluation of the liquefaction potential of the alluvial soils. Available field geophysical data from CEG-28 were also used in our evaluation as a general indicator of liquefaction potential.

Our analysis of the SPT data was performed in accordance with the simplified procedures of Seed at al (1983). Corrected "N" values (normalized to 2 ksf overburden pressure) for 24 SPT tests in saturated sand soils ranged from a minimum of 11 to a maximum exceeding 50, with an average of about 32. Determination of dynamic strength was based on an M6.0 earthquake for the ODE event and an M7.0 for the MDE event. Results of the analyses indicated that there would be essentially no liquefaction for the ODE event, but about 25% of the SPT values indicated liquefaction for the MDE event. Considering these results, it is our conclusion that the potential for liquefaction during the MDE event is low to moderate and would occur within isolated granular layers.

#### 6.12 EARTHWORK CRITERIA

Site development is expected to consist primarily of excavation for the subterranean structure but will also include general site preparation, foundation preparation for near surface structures, slab subgrade preparation, and backfill for subterranean walls and footings and utility trenches. Recommendations for major temporary excavations and dewatering are presented in Sections 6.2 and 6.4. Suggested guidelines for site preparation, minor construction excavations, structural fill, foundation preparation, subgrade preparation, site drainage, and utility trench backfill will be presented in Appendix E (which is not included in the present draft). Recommended specifications for compaction of fill will also be presented in Appendix E. Construction specifications should clearly establish the responsibilities of the contractor for construction safety in accordance with CALOSHA requirements.

Excavated granular alluvium (sand, silty sand, gravelly sand, sandy gravel) are considered suitable for re-use as compacted fill, provided it is at a suitable moisture content and can be placed and compacted to the required density. Excavated fine-grained soils and bedrock material are not considered suitable because these fine-grained materials will make compaction difficult and could lead to fill settlement problems after construction. If the granular alluvium materials cannot be stockpiled, imported granular soils could be used for fill, subject to approval by the geotechnical engineer.



#### 6.13 SUPPLEMENTARY GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES

Based on the available data and the current design concepts, the following supplementary geotechnical services may be warranted:

- <sup>o</sup> <u>Observation Well Monitoring</u>: The ground water observation wells should be read several times a year until project construction and more frequently during construction if possible. These data will aid in confirming the recommended maximum design ground water levels. They will also provide valuable data to the contractor in determining his construction schedule and procedures.
- Review Final Design Plans and Specifications: A qualified geotechnical engineer should be consulted during the development of the final design concepts and should complete a review of the geotechnical aspects of the plans and specifications.
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Shoring/Dewatering Design Review</u>: Assuming that the shoring and dewatering systems are designed by the contractor, a qualified geotechnical engineer should review the proposed systems in detail including review of engineering computations. This review would not be a certification of the contractor's plan but rather an independent review made with respect to the owner's interests.
- Supplemental Investigation: Consideration should be given to performing supplemental geotechnical investigations at the sites of proposed peripheral at-grade structures near the station. The purpose of these studies would be to determine site specific subsurface conditions and provide site specific final design recommendations for these peripheral structures.
- <sup>o</sup> <u>Construction Observations</u>: A qualified geotechnical engineer should be on site full time during installation of the dewatering system, installation of the shoring system, preparation of foundation bearing surfaces, and placement of structural backfills. The geotechnical engineer should also be available for consultation to review the shoring monitoring data and respond to any specific geotechnical problems that occur.



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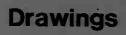
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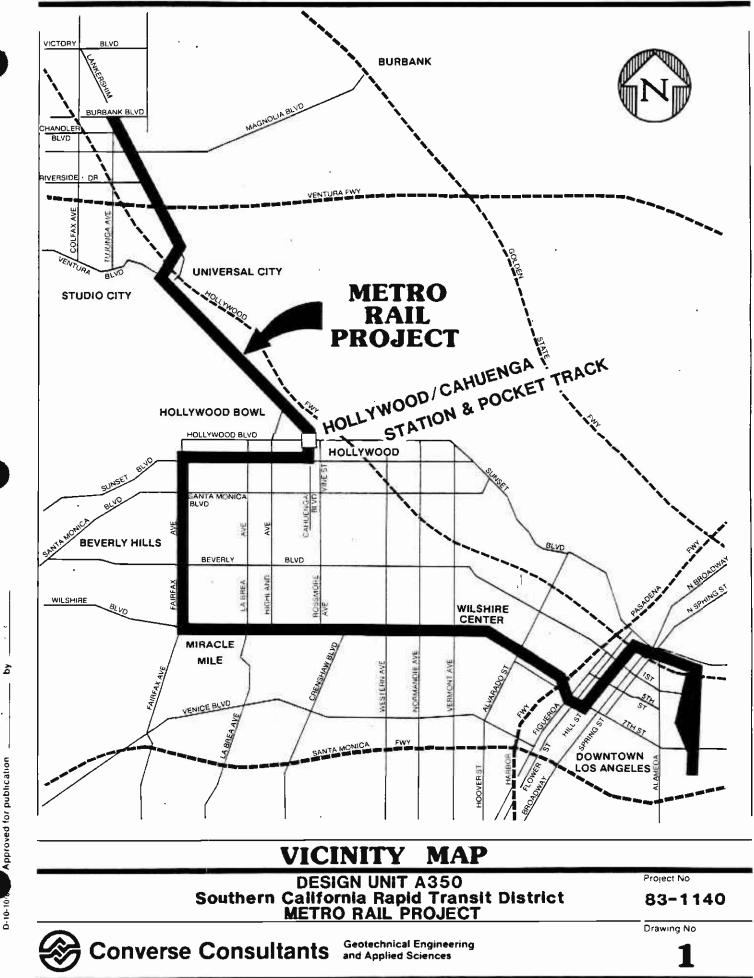
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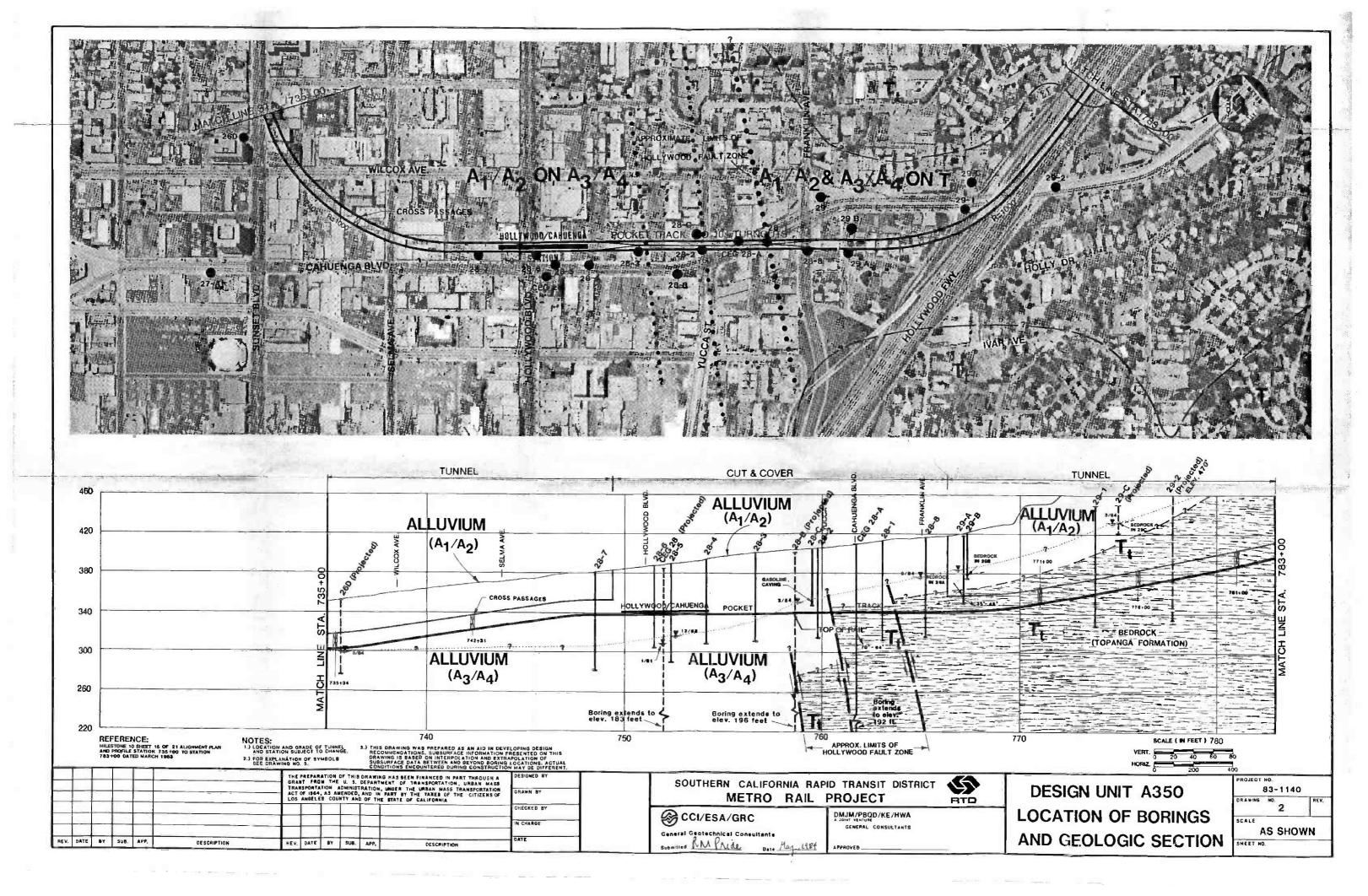
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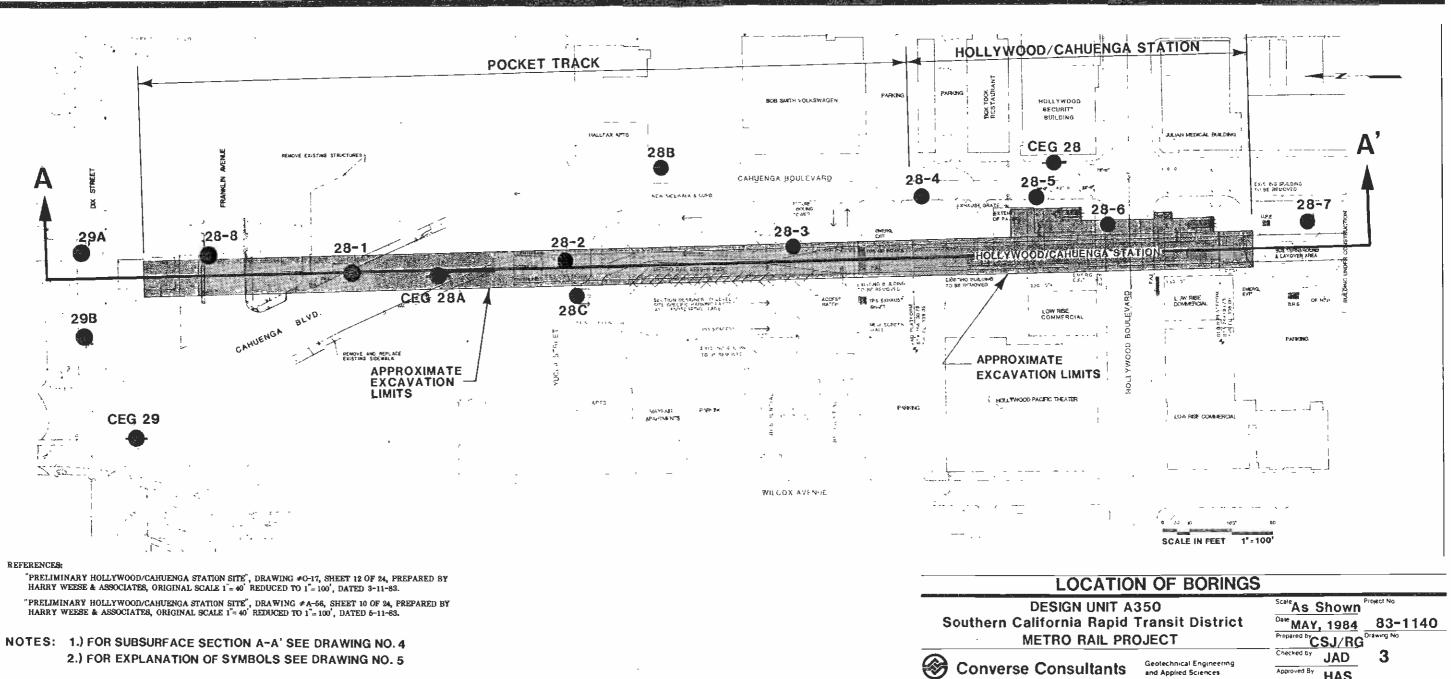
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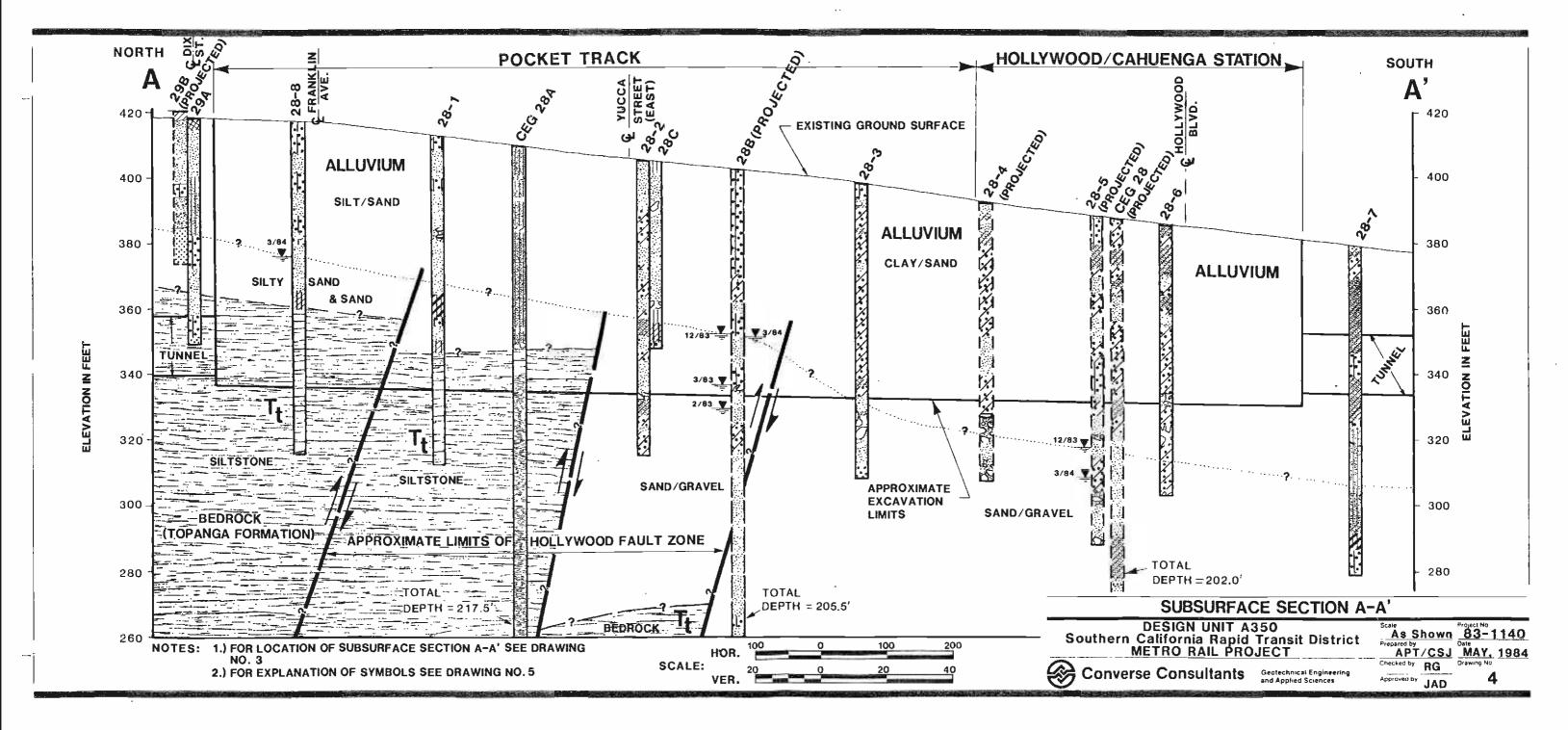


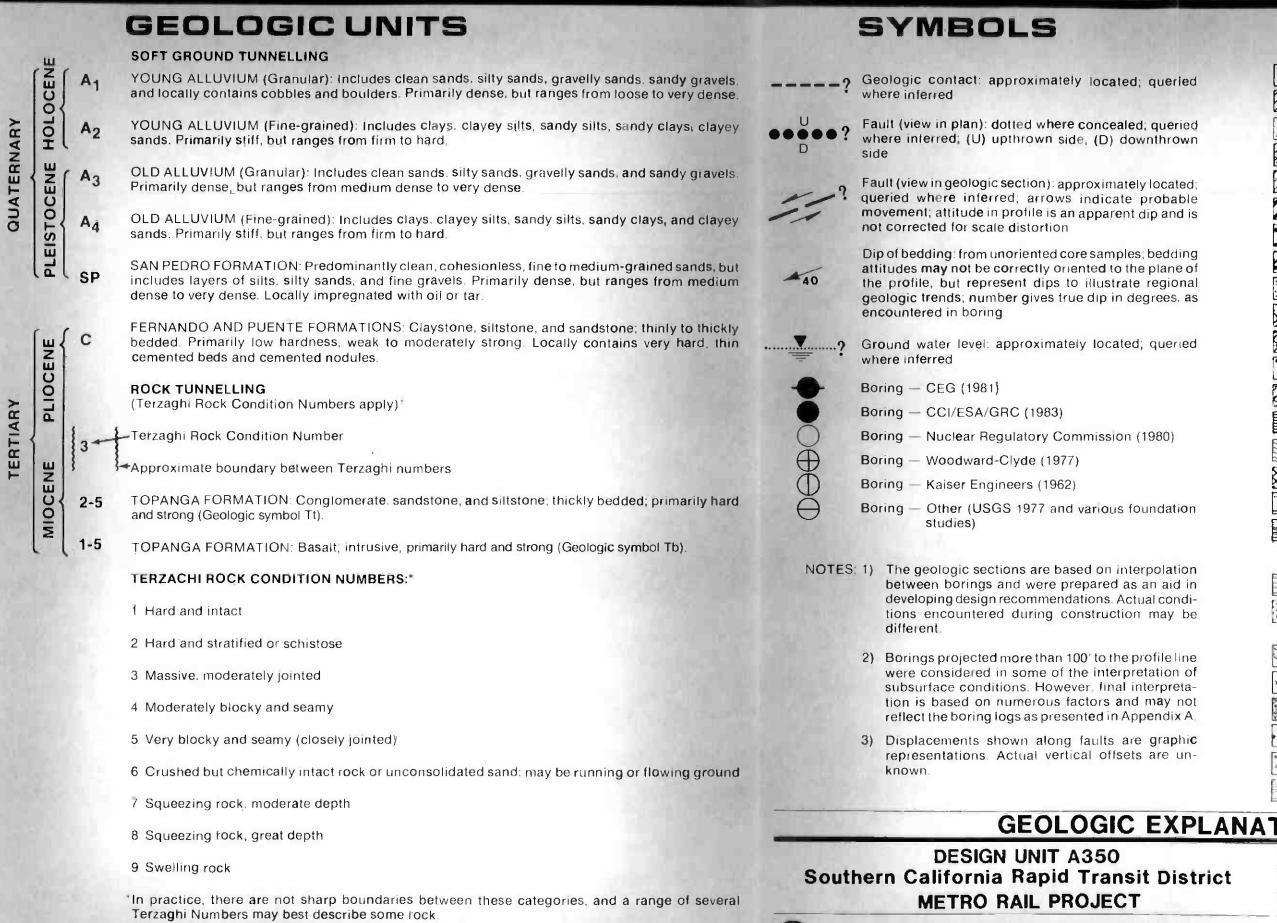






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# Appendix A Field Exploration

APPENDIX A FIELD EXPLORATION

A.1 GENERAL

Field exploration data presented in this report for Design Unit A350 includes logs of borings drilled for the 1981 Geotechnical Investigation Report, and 1983 borings drilled for this investigation. The specific boring logs included are numbered CEG-28, 28-A, 28-B, 28-C, 28-1 through 28-8, CEG-29, 29-A, 29-B and 29-C.

Locations of the borings are shown on Drawings 2 and 3. Ground water observation wells (piezometers) were installed in borings listed in Section 5.4 (Table 5-2). Geophysical downhole and crosshole surveys were made for the 1981 investigation at Boring CEG-28 (see Appendix B).

The borings were drilled to depths ranging from 47 to 217 feet, and penetrated through the alluvium into the underlying bedrock. All borings were sampled at regular intervals using the Converse ring sampler, pitcher barrel sampler and the standard split spoon sampler. Sample recovery was generally good in both the siltstone and claystone bedrock and the alluvium.

The following subsections describe the field exploration procedures and provide explanations of symbols and notation used in preparing the field boring logs. Copies of the field boring logs are presented following the text of this appendix.

#### A.2 FIELD STAFF AND EQUIPMENT

#### A.2.1 Technical Staff

Members of the three firms (CCI/ESA/GRC) participated in the drilling exploration program. The field geologist continuously supervised each boring during the drilling and sampling operation. The geologist was also responsible for preparing detailed lithologic log and for sample/core identification, labelling and storage of all samples, and installation of piezometer pipe, gravel pack and bentonite seals.

#### A.2.2 Drilling Contractor and Equipment

The rotary wash drilling was performed by Pitcher Drilling Company of East Palo Alto, California, with Failings 750 and 1500 rotary wash rigs, each operated by a two-man crew. The Mobile B-40 of P.C. Explorations was engaged for both rotary wash and rock coring. A Mayhew 1000 rotary wash and man-sized bucket auger equipments of A&W Drilling Company of Brea, California, were also used.

#### A.3 SAMPLING AND LOGGING PROCEDURES

Logging and sampling were performed in the field by the project geologists. The following describes sampling equipment and procedures and notations used on the lithologic logs to indicate drilling and sampling modes.

#### A.3.1 Sampling

In the overburden at about 10-foot intervals, the Converse ring sampler was driven using either a down-hole 450-pound or a 340-pound slip-jar hammer. The Converse sampler was followed with the standard split spoon sample (SPT) driven with a 140-pound hammer with a 30-inch stroke. Where the Topanga Formation was encountered, the borings were sampled using a Pitcher Barrel and Converse ring sampler at 20-foot intervals.

The most common cause for loss of samples or altering the sample interval was when gravel was encountered at the desired sampling depth. Standard penetration blow count information can often be misleading in this type of formation, and it is difficult to recover an undisturbed sample. Therefore, at some locations, borings were advanced until drill response and cutting suggested a change in formation.

The following symbols were used on the logs to indicate the type of sample and the drilling mode:

Log Symbol	Sample Type	Type of Sampler
<u> </u>	Bag	
	Jar	Split Spoon
	Can	Converse Ring
<u></u> S	Shelby_Tube	Pitcher Barrel
Box	Box	Pitcher Barrel, Core Barrel

Log <u>Symbol</u>	Drilling Mode
AD	Auger Drill
RD	Rotary Drill
PB	Pitcher Barrel Sampling
SS	Split Spoon
DR	Converse Drive Sample
C	Coring

#### A.3.2 Field Classification of Soils

All soil types were classified in the field by the field geologist using the "Unified Soil Classification System". Based on the characteristics of the soil, this system indicates the behavior of the soil as an engineering construction material.\* Although particle size distribution estimates were based on volume rather than weight, the field estimates should fall within an acceptable range of accuracy. A description of the Unified Soil Classification Symbols used on boring logs is presented in Table A-1.

<sup>\*</sup> For a more complete discussion of the Unified Soil Classification System, refer to Corps of Engineers, Technical Memorandum No. 3-357, March 1953, or Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, Earth Manual, 1963.

#### TABLE A-1 UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYMBOLS

CRANULAR SOLLS

	GRANULAR SUILS	FINE-GRAINED SUILS				
SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION	SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION			
GW	Well-graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	ML	Inorganic silts and very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands, or clayey silts with slight			
GP	Poorly graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines		plasticity			
		CL	Inorganic clays of low to medium			
GM	Silty gravels, gravel-sand-silt mixtures		plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays			
CC	Clayey gravels, gravel-sand-clay mixtures	OL	Organic silts and organic silty clays of low plasticity			
SW	Well-graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines	MH	Inorganic silts, micaceous or diato- maceous fine sandy or silty soils,			
SP	Poorly graded sands, gravelly sands,		elastic silts			
	little or no fines	СН	Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays			
SM	Silty sands, sand-silt mixtures					
		ОН	Organic clays or medium to high			
SC	Clayey sands, sand-clay mixtures		plasticity, organic silts			
		Pt	Peat and other highly organic soils			

FINE-CRAINED SOLLS

Table A-2 shows the correlation of standard penetration information and the physical description of the consistency of clays (hand-specimen) and the compactness of sands used by the field geologists for describing the materials encountered.

N-Values (blows/foot)	Hand-Specimen (clay only)	Consistency (clay or silt)		Compactness (sand only)	H-Values (blows/foot)
<u>0 - 2</u>	Will squeeze between fingers when hand is closed	Very soft	Ì.	Very loose	0 - 4
2 - 4	Easily molded by fingers	Saft	-	Loose	4 - 10
4 - 8	Molded by strong pressure of fingers	 Firm	-		
8 - 15	Dented by strong pressure of fingers,	Stiff	1	Medium dense	10 30
16 - 32	Dented only slightly by finger pressure	Very stiff	-	Dense	30 - 50
32+	Dented only slightly by pencil point	Hard	-	Very dense	50+

#### A.3.3 Field Description of the Formations

The description of the formations is subdivided in two parts: lithology and physical condition. The lithologic description consists of:

- o rock name;
- o color of wet core (from GSA rock color chart);
- ° mineralogy, textural and structural features; and

° any other distinctive features which aid in correlating or interpreting the geology.

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The physical condition describes the physical characteristics of the rock believed important for engineering design consideration. The form for the description is as follows:

Bedrock description terms used on the boring logs are given on Table A-3.

#### A.4 PIEZOMETER INSTALLATION

Piezometers were installed in borings 28-A, 28-B, 28-5, 28-8, 29, 29-A, 29-B and 29-C. Procedures for piezometer installation were as follows:

A 2-inch diameter plastic ABS pipe was installed in the boring. At least the lower 20 feet of the ABS pipe was perforated, and the annulus of the boring around the perforated portion of the pipe was backfilled with a coarse sand/pea gravel aggregate. Concrete/bentonite slurry was used to backfill around the non-perforated portion of the pipe to prevent surface water from artificially recharging the gravel-packed hole or contaminating local ground water. After the piezometer was installed, the boring was flushed using air lift provided by a trailer-mounted air compressor. The piezometer was covered with a standard 7-inch diameter steel water meter cap held at surface grade by a grouted in-place 3- to 4-foot long, 5-inch diameter plastic sleeve. Ground water data obtained from the piezometers are presented in Section 5.4 of the text.



#### TABLE A-3 Bedrock Description Terms

PHYSICAL CONDITION*	SIZE RANGE	REMARKS	RKS					
Crushed	-5 microns to 0.1 ft	Contains clay						
Intenselv Fractured	0.05 ft to 0.1 ft	Contains no clay						
Closely Fractured	0.1 ft to 0.5 ft							
Moderately Fractured	0.5 ft to 1.0 ft							
Little Fractured	1.0 ft to 3.0 ft		·					
Massive	4.0 ft and larger							
HARONESS **		·						
Soft Res	erved for plastic materi	ði						
Friable - Eas	ilv crumbled or reduced	to powder by fingers						
Low Hardness - Can	be gouded deeply or car	ved with pocket knife						
<u>Moderately Hard</u> - <u>Can</u>	be readily scratched by	a knife blade; scratch leaves he	avy trace of dust					
<u>Hard _ ' - Can</u>	<u>be scratched wi</u> th diffi	culty; scratch produces little po	wder & is often faintly visible					
<u>Verv Hard</u> - Can	not be scratched with kr	ife blade	·					
STRENGTH								
Plastic - E	asily deformed by fincer	pressure						
<u>Friable</u> - C	rumbles when rubbed with	fincers						
Weak – U	nfractured outcrop would	crumble under light nammer blow	<u> </u>					
Strong - 0	utcrop would withstand a nly dust & small fragmen		but would yield, with difficulty,					
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\*Joints and fractures are considered the same for physical description, and both are referred to as "fractures"; however, mechanical breaks caused by drilling operation were not included.

\*\*Scale for rock hardness differs from scale for soil hardness.



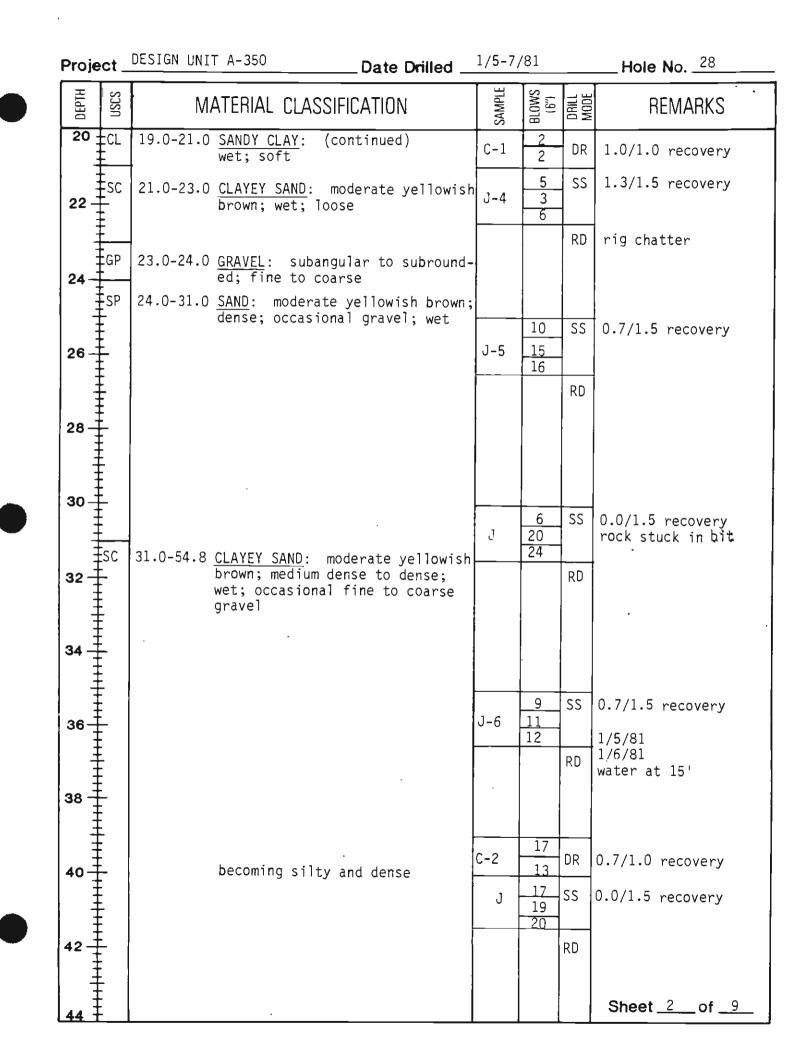


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BORING LOG 28

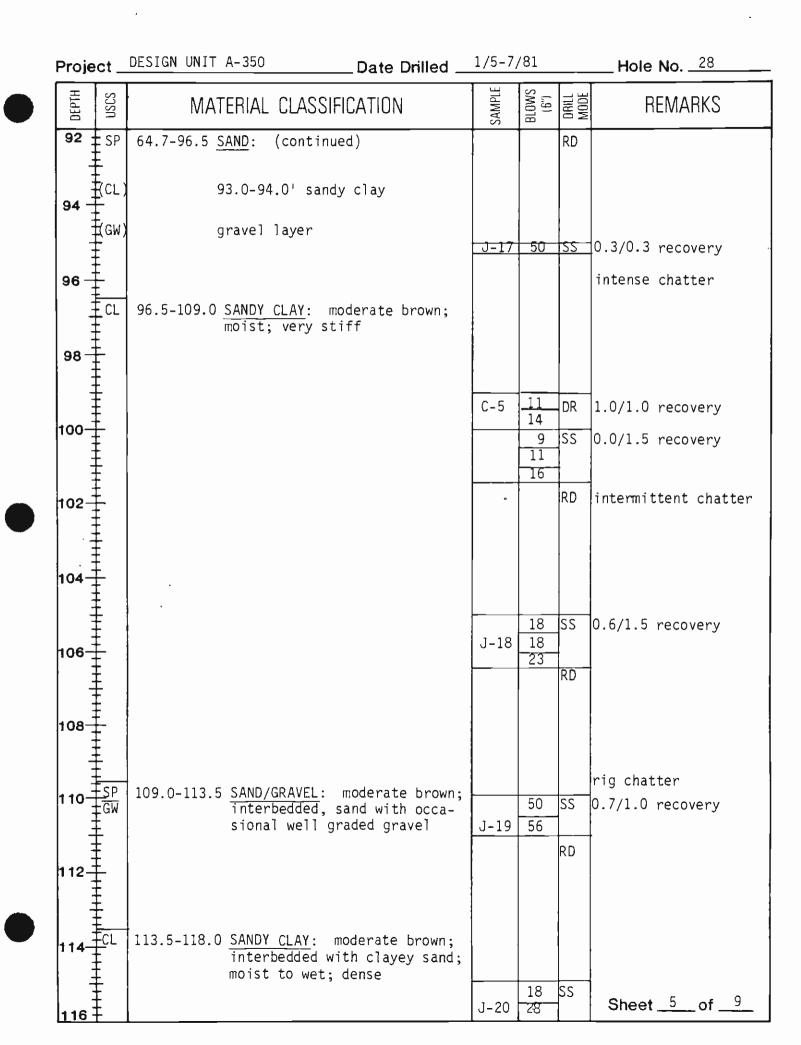
Proj:		DESIGN UNIT	A-350	Date Drilled	1/5-7	7/81		_	Ground Elev. 385'
Drill	Rig .	Failing 1	500				<u>rlein</u>		Total Depth
Hole	Dia	meter <u>4</u> 7	/8"	Hammer Wei	ght &	Fallss	140	1b @	30" DR: 320 lbs @ 18"
DEPTH	USCS	MA		SSIFICATION		SAMPLE	(,,9) BLOWS	ORILL MODE	REMARKS
		0.0-1.2	ASPHALT					AD	Auger to 10'
2-	SC	ALLUVIUM 1.2-9.0	CLAYEY SAND brown; dry occasional	: dark yellow to moist; very fine gravel	ish loose:				
6-						J-1	2 1 2	SS	1.5/1.5 recovery
8-						-		AD	
10-		9.0-14.0	SANDY CLAY: brown; moist	dark yellowis ; stiff	h				
						J-2	5 5 5		1.3/1.5 recovery
12								RD	Rotary wash, 4 7/8" drag bit
14	SC	14.0-19.0	becoming mo	re sandy : moderate ye	11ow-				
			ish brown;	moist; loose		J-3	3	SS	1.2/1.5 recovery
16							3	RD	
18									
20	CL	19.0-21.0	<u>SANDY</u> CLAY: brown;	moderate yel	lowish				Sheet <u>1</u> of <u>9</u>

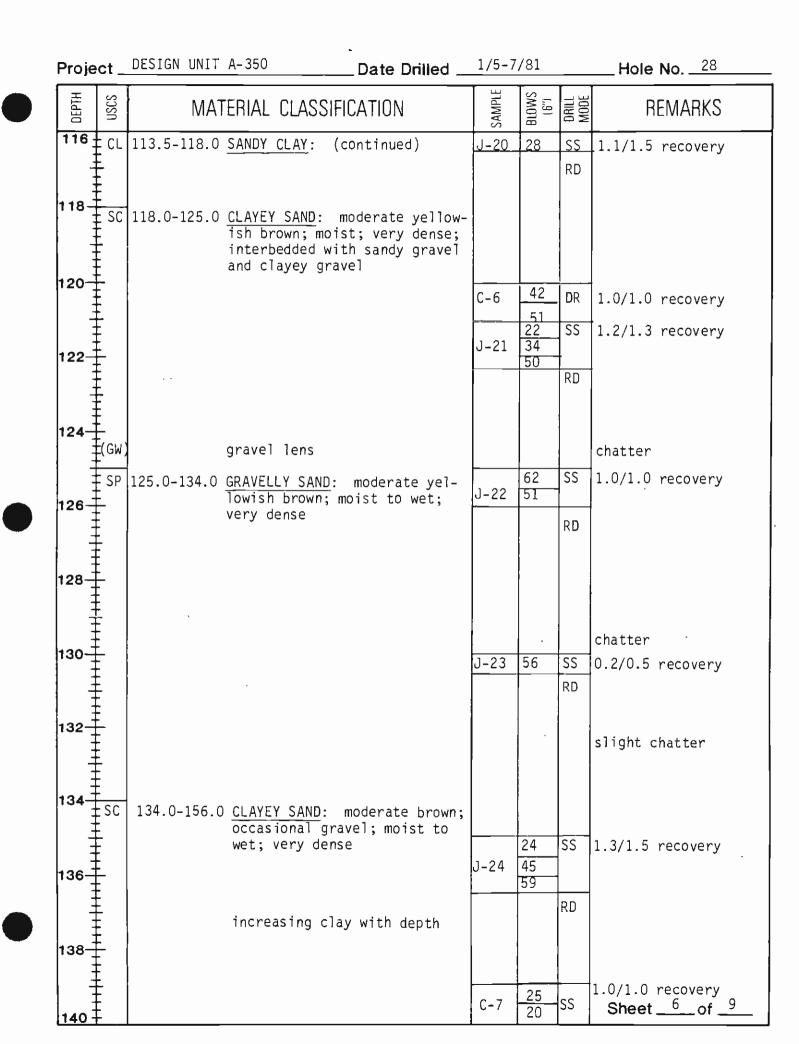


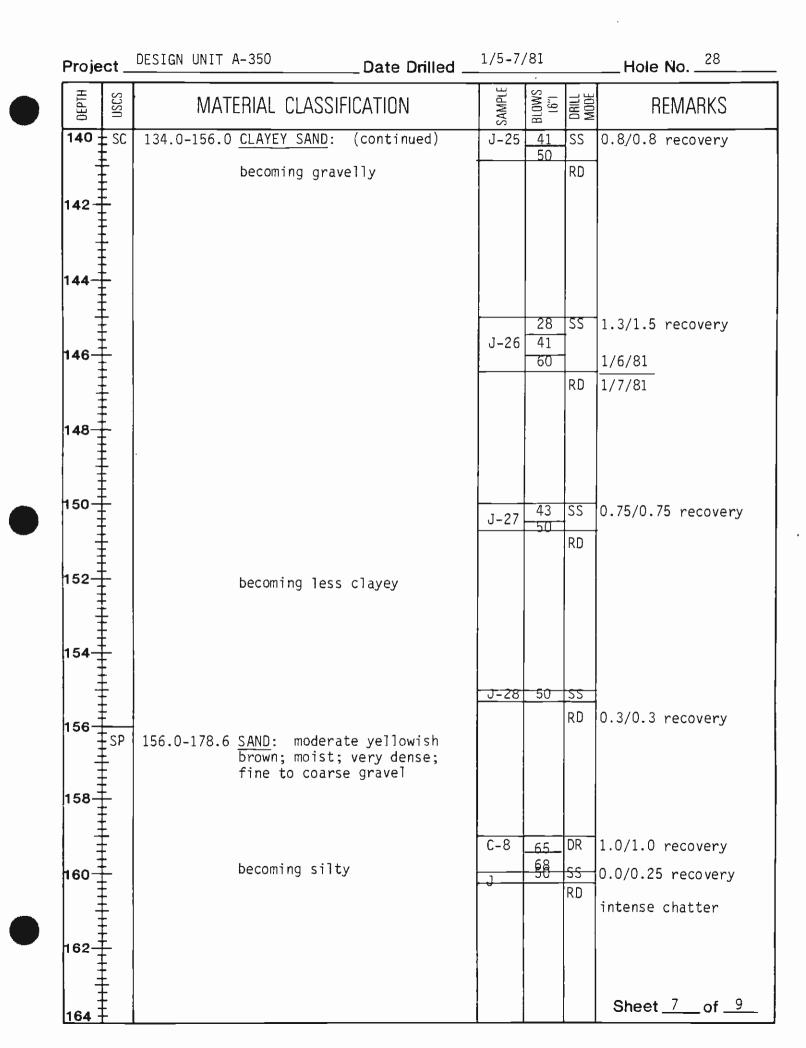
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DEPTH	nscs	MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION	SAMPLE	(6") BLOWS	DRILL Modę	REMARKS
44 46 -	SC	31.0-54.8 <u>CLAYEY SAND</u> : (continued)	J-7	8 11 11	RD SS RD	1.1/1.5 recovery .
48 - 50 - 52 -	T   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	interbedded sand	J-8	9 13 13	SS	1.0/1.5 recovery
54 -	GP)	- 54.5 thin gravel lens 54.8-59.8 <u>SANDY CLAY</u> : moderate brown; moist; very stiff	J-9	5 8 8	SS	1.1/1.5 recovery
58 - - 60 - - 62 -		59.8-64.7 <u>CLAYEY SAND</u> : moderate yellowish brown; occasional gravel; moist; dense; interbeds of sandy clay and sand		6 12 11 17 17	DR SS RD	0.7/1.0 recovery 1.1/1,5 recovery
64 -		64.7-96.5 <u>SAND</u> : moderate yellowish brown; moist; dense; occasional gravel	J-11	20 18 26	SS	1.1/1.5 recovery Sheet <u>3</u> of 9

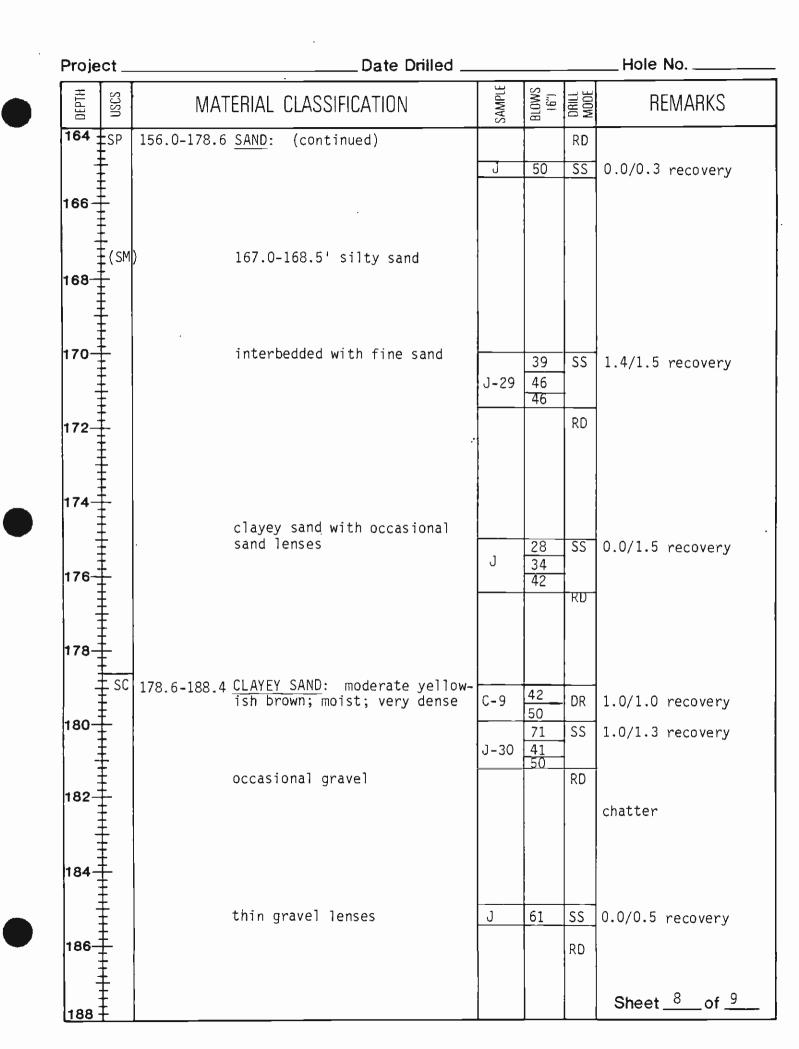
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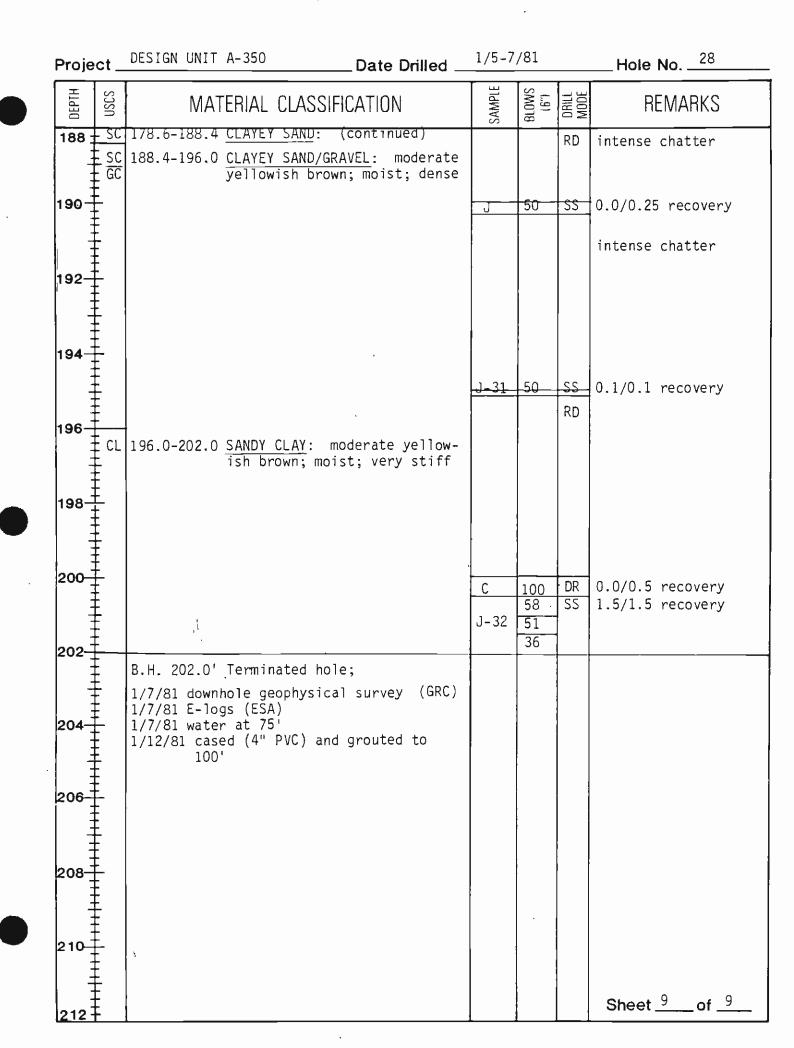
Ξ		DESIGN UNIT A-350 Date Drille			т		
DEPTH	nscs	MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION		SAMPLE	(,,9) BLOWS	DRIL MOD	REMARKS
68	ESP	64.7-96.5 <u>SAND</u> : (continued)				RD	
1							
70-					29	SS	1.1/1.5 recovery
1		becoming very dense	J-	12	36 34		
72						RD	chatter
	E(GW)	) 71.5-73.5' gravel lens					
'4   							
1 1 1					<u>30</u>	SS	0.5/1.5 recovery
6			J-	13	44 42		
						RD	
78-]		·				:	
1.1.1	(sc)	moderate brown; clay increas	e C-	4	15 23	DR	0.7/1.0 recovery
30 -					37	SS	1.0/1.5 recovery
1			J-	14	35 40		
32		cobbles				RD	rig chatter @ 81.5' cemented sandstone
4							shoe of SPT
34 -							rig chatter
-		weakly cemented; very dense	<del>1</del> -	15	50		0.25/0.25 recovery
			0-	10	- 10	SS RD	0.2370125 recovery
86 – -							
1		increased cementation					
38 -							
		moderate yellowish brown					
÷ - 0€			<del></del>	<del>16</del> -	- <del>5</del> 0	55	0.2/0.2 recovery
-							
	El		ł				Sheet _4 of9_









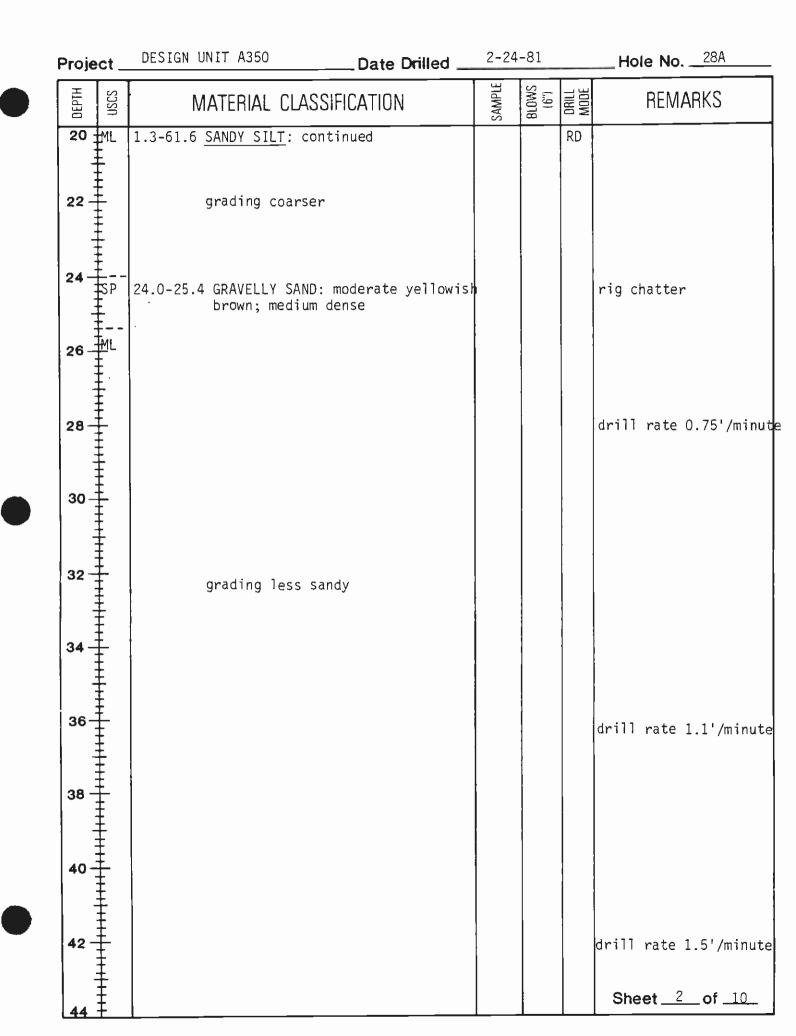


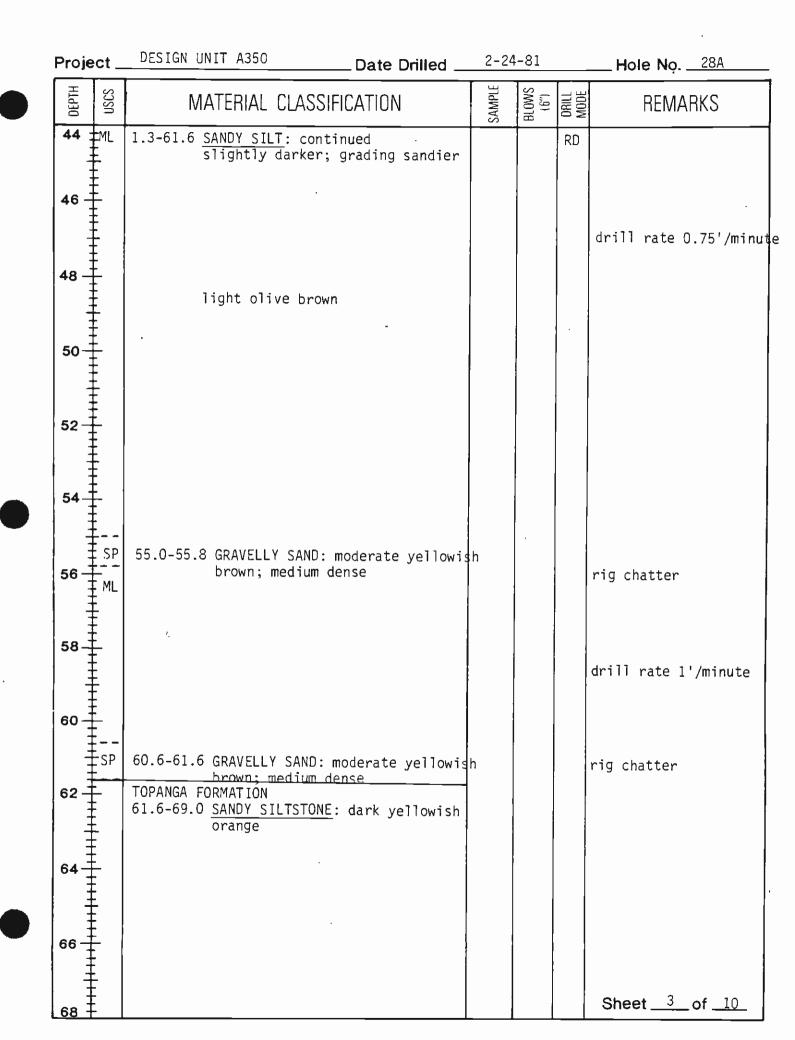
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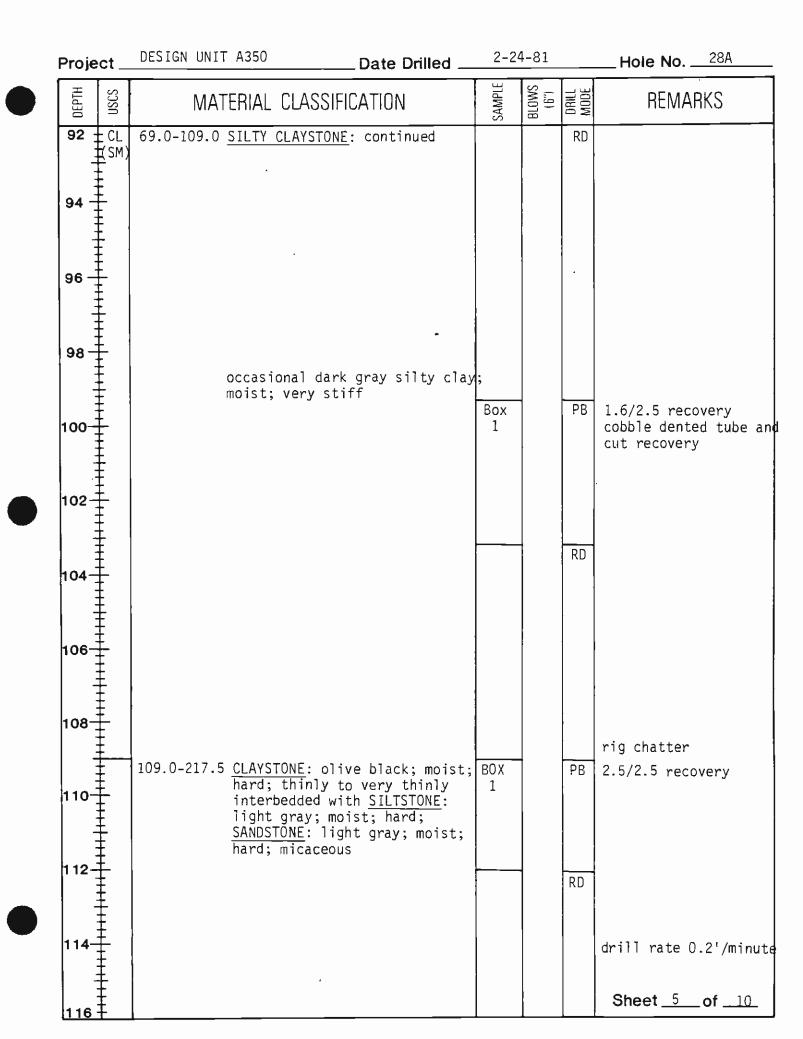
	ESIGN UNIT A350						Ground Elev. 410'
Drill Rig	FAILING 1500	Logged By	S. S	laff			Total Depth
Hole Dia	meter <u>4 7/8"</u>	Hammer We	eight &		<u>140 1</u>	<u>bs 3</u>	<u>0" (hammer not used)</u>
DEPTH USCS	MATERIAL CLA	SSIFICATION		SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	
	0.0-0.1 <u>ASPHALT</u> 0.1-1.3 <u>CONCRETE</u>					AD	2/24/81
2	ALLUVIUM 1.3-61.6 <u>SANDY SILT</u> : m brown; moist;		wish				
6 8 8 10 10 10	9.0-9.8 GRAVELLY SAND: brown; medium o		lowish			RD	rig chatter drill rate 0.3'/minute
12 12 14 14 14 5P 14	13.0-13.6 GRAVELLY SAN brown; mediur 15.4-16.2 GRAVELLY SAN	n dense					rig chatter
16 <sup>5</sup> 18 18	brown; mediur gravel.						rig chatter drill rate 2'/minute Sheet <u>1</u> of <u>10</u>



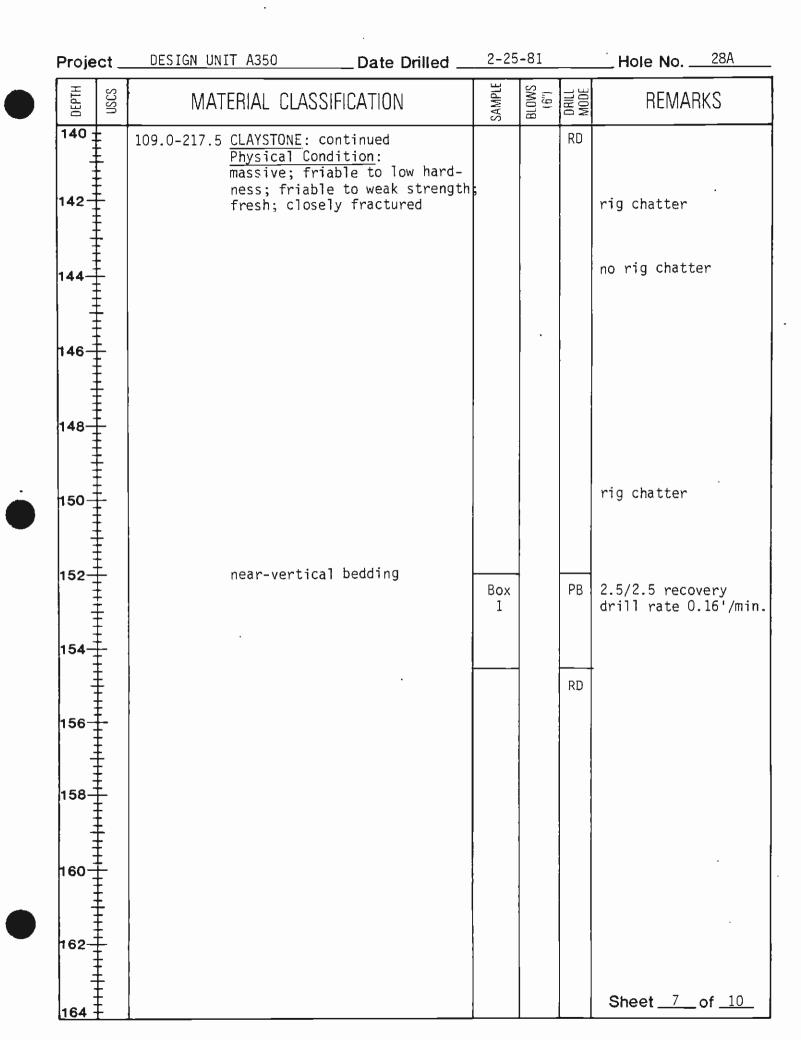


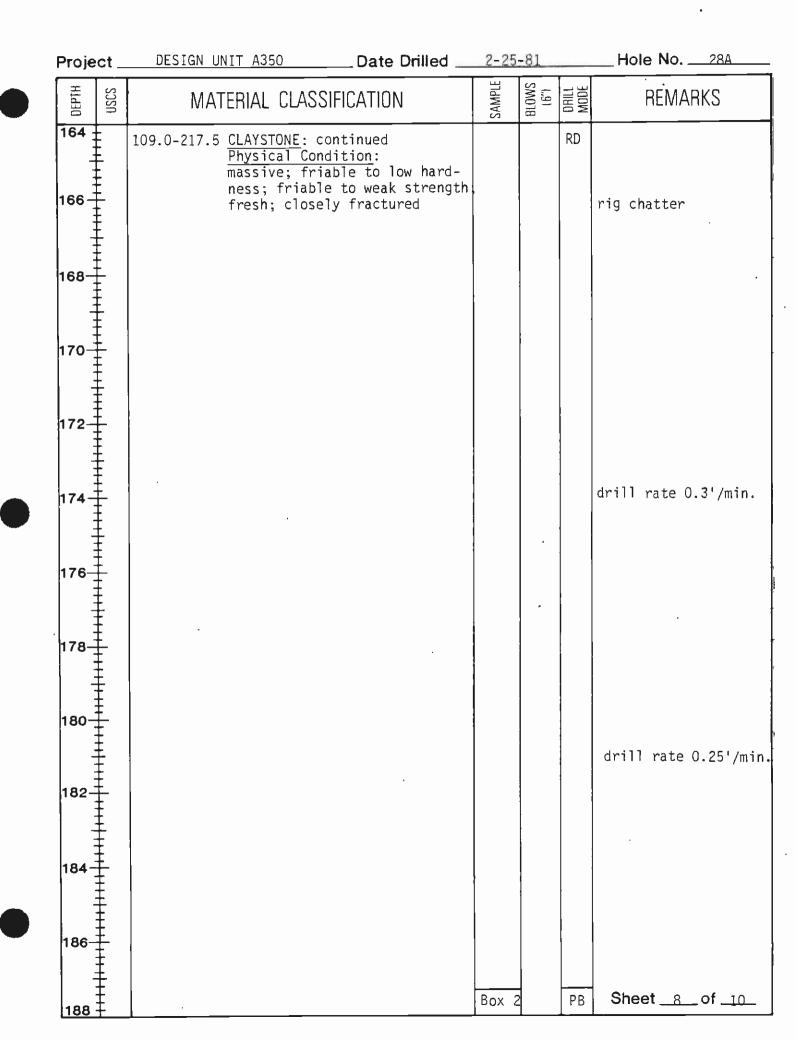
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DEPTH	NSCS	MATERIAL CLASSIFI	CATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARI	<s< td=""></s<>
68	ML	61.6-69.0 SANDY SILTSTONE:	continued			RD		
	CL (SM)	69.0-109.0 <u>SILTY CLAYSTONE</u> : pale orange, lig medium gray and moist; very stif	ht olive gray, dusky brown; f; very	Box		РВ	2.7/2.7 recove drillrate 0.75	
72	-	thinly interb <u>SILTY SAND</u> : dark moist; very dens	yellowish orang	<del>e;</del>				
74	 				1			
76	-							
78	_							
80	-	• dusky yellow to	light olive gray				smooth drillin	g
82								
86	- - -	decreasing silty	sand				drill rate 0.5	'/minut
88	-							
90 <del>                                     </del>	- -	grading sandier w	with depth		X			
92 <sup>‡</sup>							Sheet <u>4</u> c	of <u>10</u>

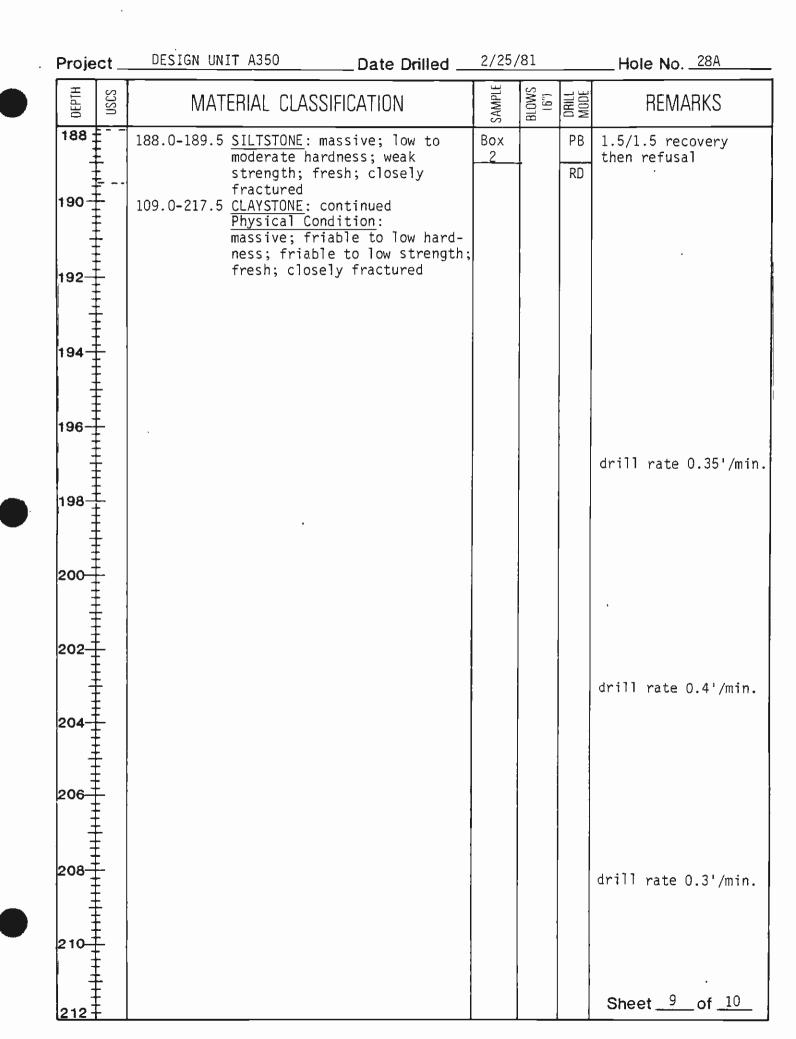
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Project _	DESIGN UNIT A350	Date Drilled _	2-24	-25-8	1	Hole No
0EPTH USCS	MATERIAL	CLASSIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
116	ness;	O <u>NE</u> : continued e; friable to low hard- friable to weak strength closely fractured	1		RD	rig chatter
120						2/24/81 2/25/81 Gas Test - 0% combust ible gas. Water tabl 18.3' below ground surface.
126						drill rate 0.34'/min.
130	silty s	sand and silty clay				drill rate 0.45'/min.
134						
138						drill rate 0.34'/min. Sheet_6of_10_







Project	DESIGN UNIT A350	Date Drilled	2-25-	.83		Hole No
DEPTH USCS	MATERIAL CLASSI	FICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
212	ness; friable fresh; closel moderately ce consists of s	<u>ition</u> : ble to low hard- to weak strength y fractured; mented; formation andy siltstone;			RD	
216		y thinly to	Box ; 2		PB	2.0/2.5 recovery drill rate .4'/min. 2/25/81
218	B.H. 217.5' Terminated h	nole.				2/26/81 0% combustible gas. Water table 24.2' bel ground surface. Electric logs run.
220						Installed 2" diameter PVC casing from 0.0- 217.5', perforated from 77.5-97.5' and 177.5-212.5'. Set
222						bentonite plug from 51.7-54.0. Installed 1" diameter PVC casin from 0.0-40.0',
224						perforated from 20.0- 40.0.
226						
228				-		
234						Sheet <u>10</u> of <u>10</u>

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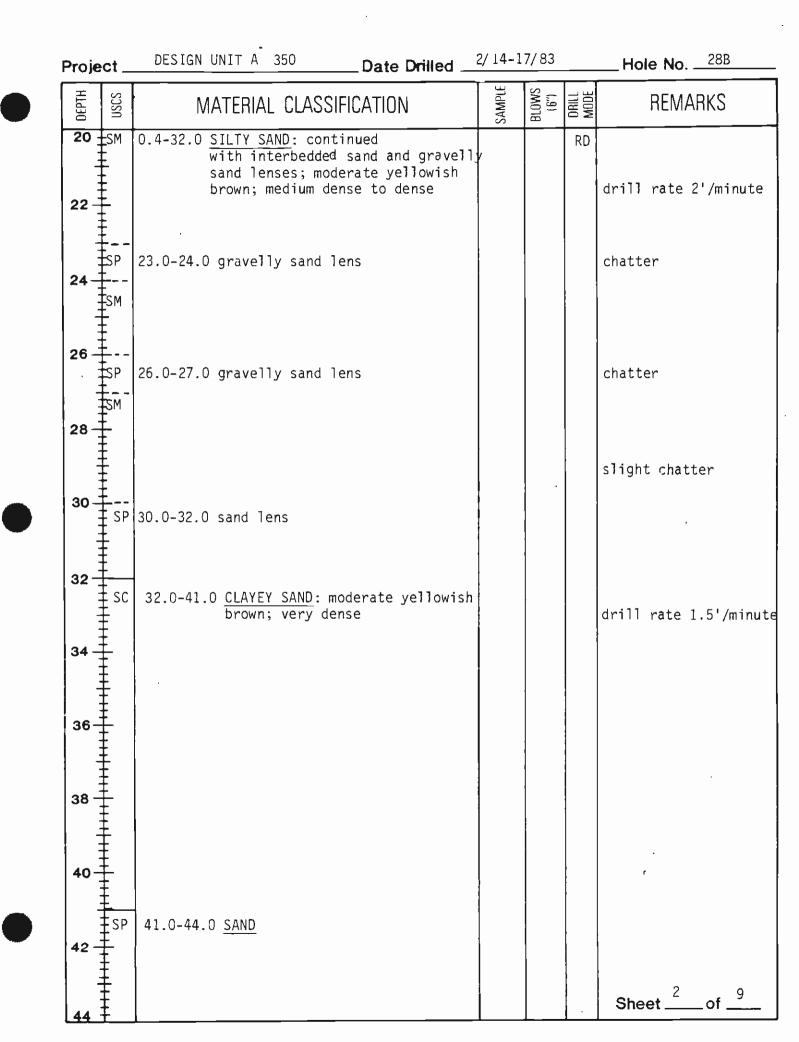
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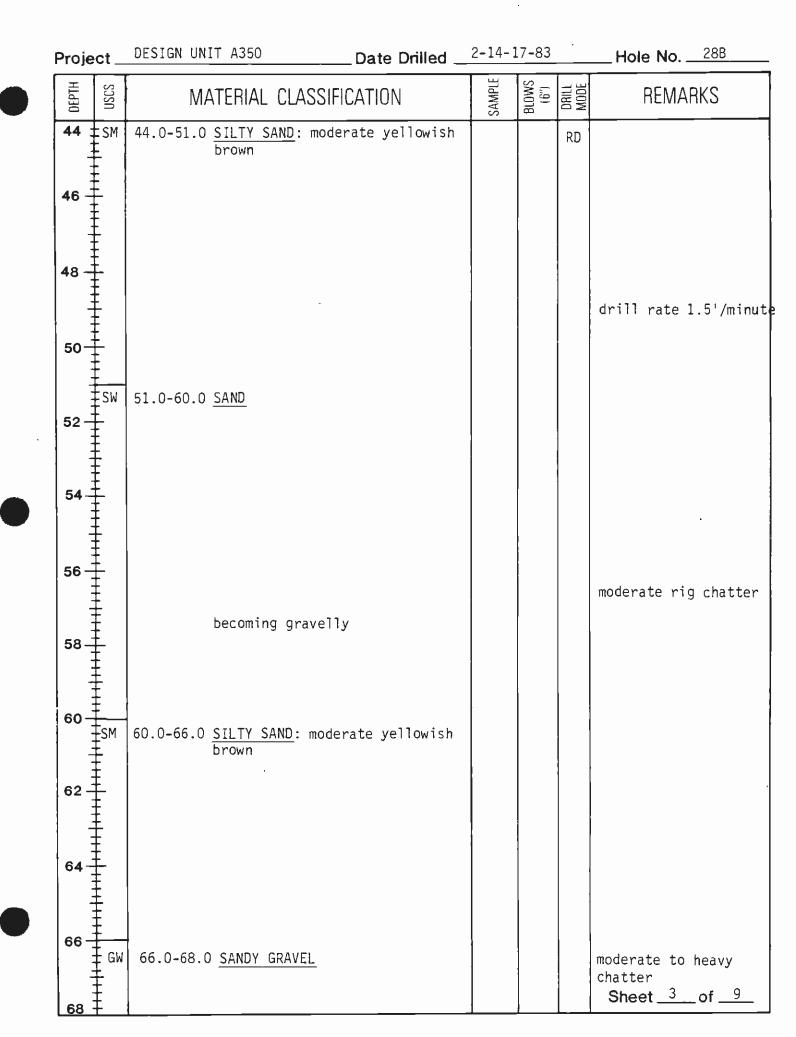


BORING LOG 28B

Drill Rig	naynew	1000	_ Logged By		bert_			Total Depth _205.5'
	meter	4 7/8"	_ Hammer Wei	ight &	Fall_	340 1	b, 2	4" drop
DEPTH USCS			ASSIFICATION		SAMPLE	(9,1) BLOWS	DRILL Mode	REMARKS
2	ALLUVIUM		moderate yellow	vish	•		AD	
4	3.0-5.0	sand layer					RD	
6SM								
8- <u>+</u>	8.0-10.0	) sandy silt	layer					
12								drill rate 1.5' to 2'/minute
18 18 5 5 20	18.0-18.	6 sand lens						Sheet1of9

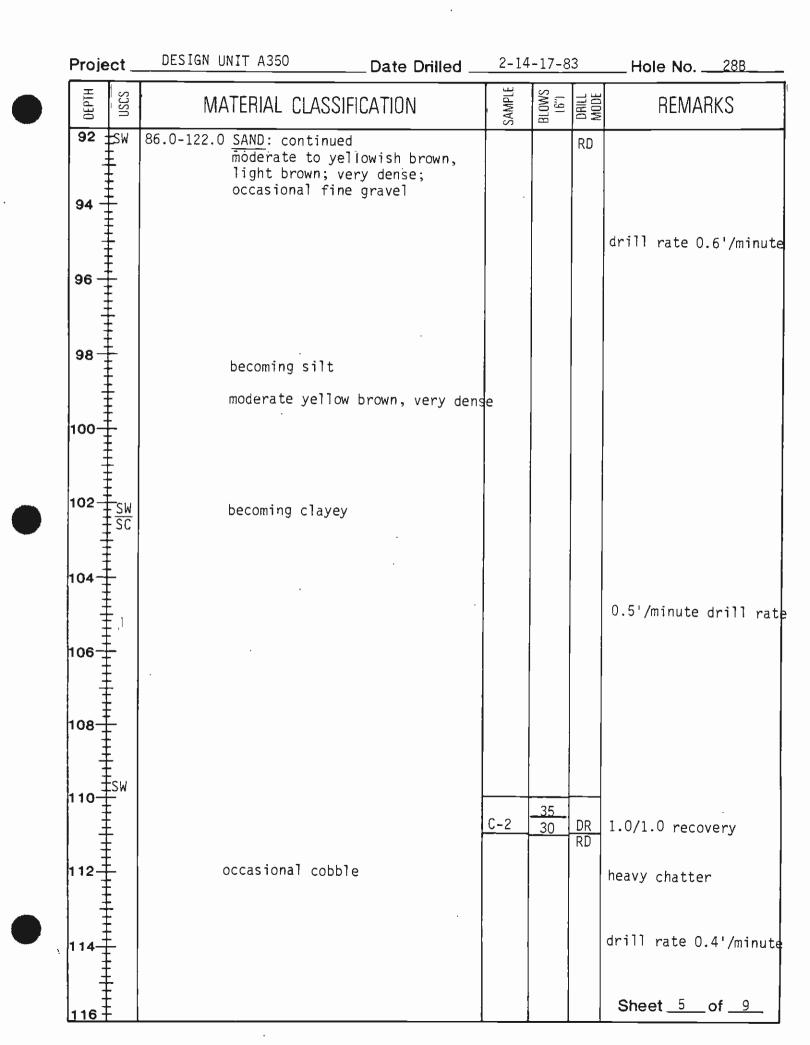
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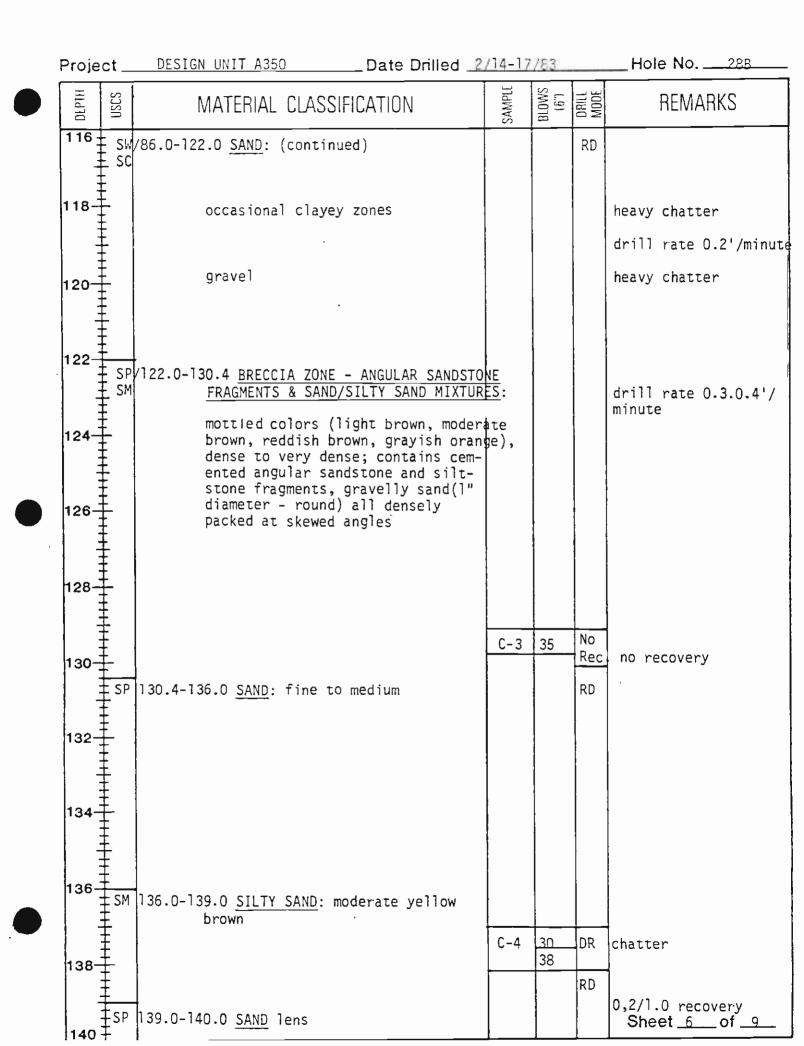


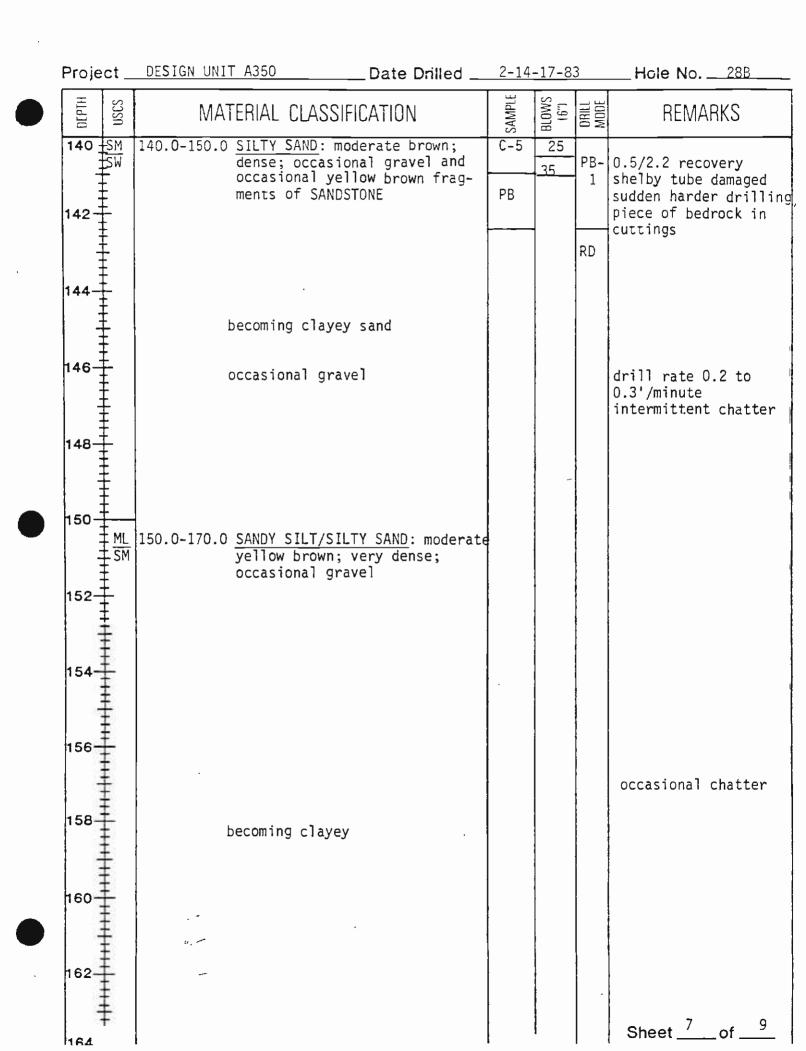


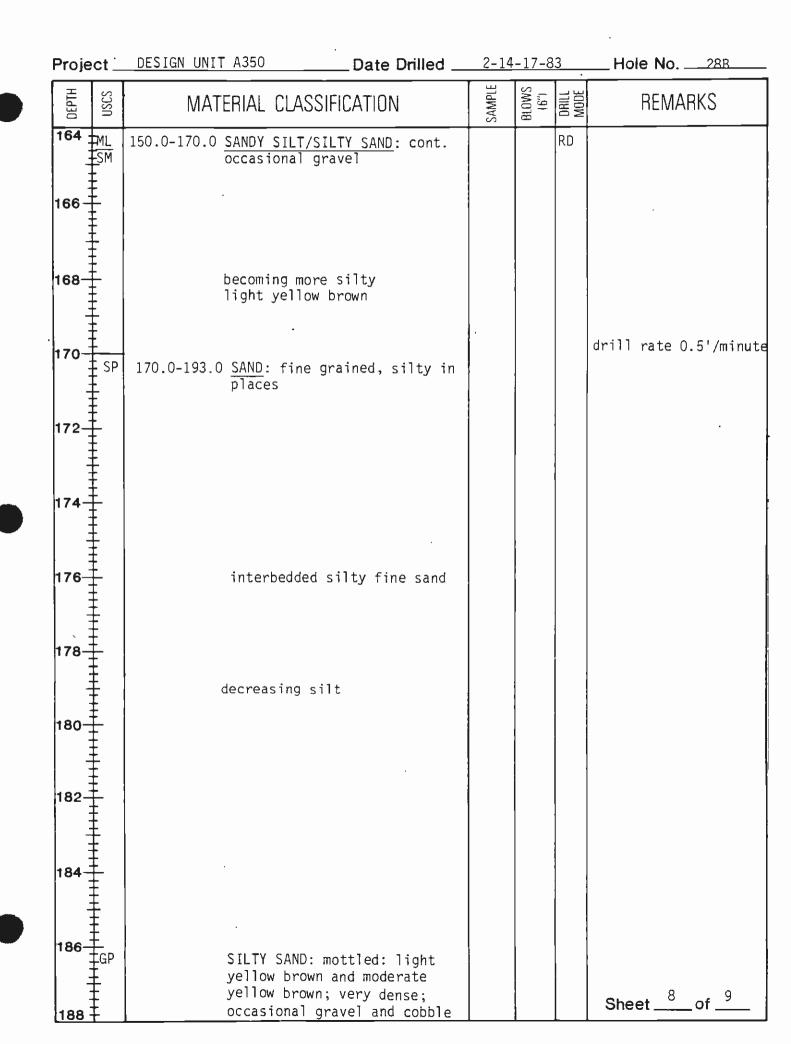
DEPTH	USCS	MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	Ľä	REMARKS
			SAN	BLO	E O	
68 : :	<u>ESW</u> SM	68.0-77.8 <u>SAND</u> : occasional thin gravelly sand lenses			RD	
-	Ŧ				-	intermittent chatter
70 -	<u>-</u> -					
-	Ŧ	occasionally silty				
72 -	Ŧ.					
-	<b>*</b>					
74 -	<b>∔</b> ∓	74.0-75.0 cobble lens				heavy chatter
		75 0 76 0 eleven cond long				
76 -	Ł	75.0-76.0 clayey sand lens				
-	<u>SW</u> SM					drill rate 1.4'/minu
-	Ē					
78-		77.8-86.0 <u>CLAYEY SAND</u> : moderate brown; very dense	,			
-	1					
30 -						
-						
-	Ē					
82 -	F					
-	Ē					
<b>34</b> –						
	ŧ			ρ		
36 - 3	E		C-1	<u>8</u> 17	UK	0.8/1.0 recovery
1 1 1 1	ESW	86.0-122.0 <u>SAND</u> : very dense				
88 -	Ē					
90 - -						2/14/83 2/15/83
1111						6/13/03
	F					Sheet <u>4</u> of <u>9</u>

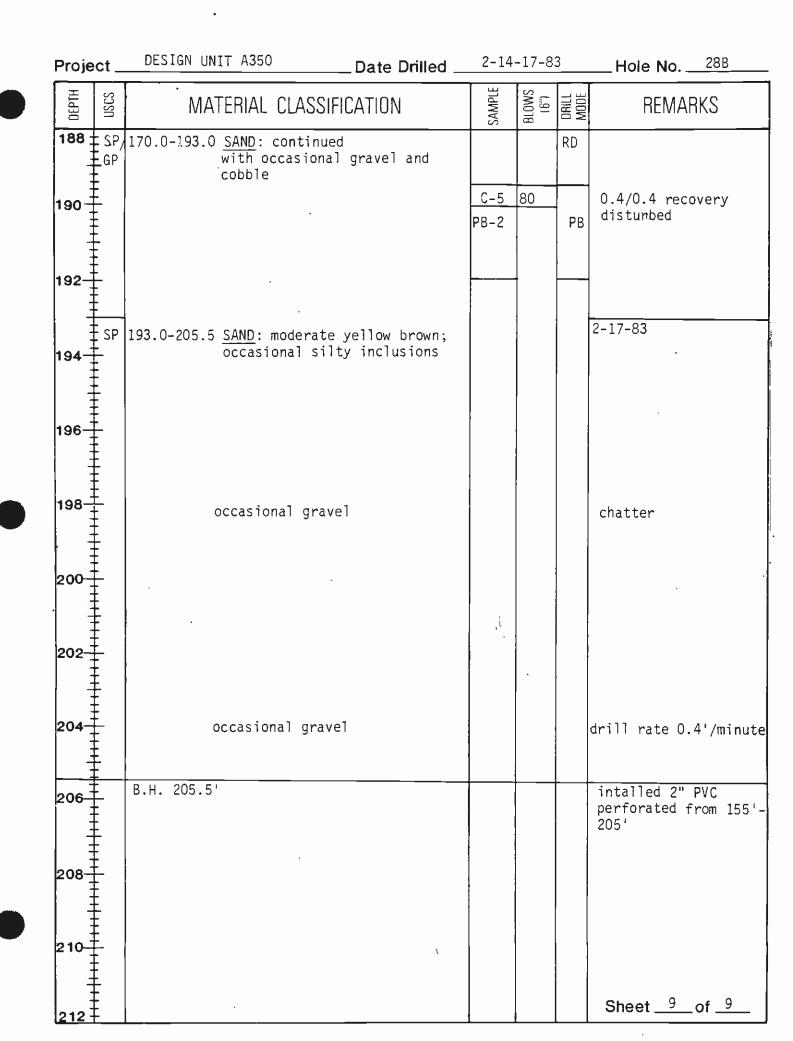
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BORING LOG \_28C

Proj: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ DESIGN UNIT A-350 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date Drilled \_\_\_\_\_\_ 10-10-83 \_\_\_\_ Ground Elev. \_<sup>406</sup>' Drill Rig Bucket Logged By J. Stellar Total Depth 57' Hole Diameter \_\_\_\_\_ 32" \_\_\_\_ Hammer Weight & Fall \_\_ DEPTH USCS SAMPLE BLOWS (6") <u>MODE</u> MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION REMARKS Ò A.C. PAVEMENT 0.0-0.2 observation hole AD FILL no sampling required FML|0.2-4.0 SILT: dark brown; firm; moist; with sand 2 ALLUVIUM SP 4.0-12.0 SAND: light reddish brown; slightly moist; loose to medium dense; occasional silt inclu-6 sions; trace of fine gravel 8 10coarse gravel 12 SP 12.0-16.0 GRAVELLY SAND: light reddish brown; moist; medium dense; occasional silt inclusions 14 cobbles 16 SP/16.0-42.0 SAND: medium brown; moist; medium dense; silty in places 18 Sheet  $\_1$  of  $\_3$ 

Proje	ct_	DESIGN UNIT A-350 Date Drilled	10-10	-83		Hole No
рертн	USCS	MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
20	SP -	16.0-42.0 <u>SAND</u> : (continued)			AD	
22						
24						
26		•				
		becoming silty				
28						
30						
32						
34		becoming silty				
36		light greenish brown; very mois	st			
38 -						
40						
42 -	E SP	divite Let SAND. Drown to right				
44	Ē	greenish brown; very moist; medium dense				Sheet _2of3

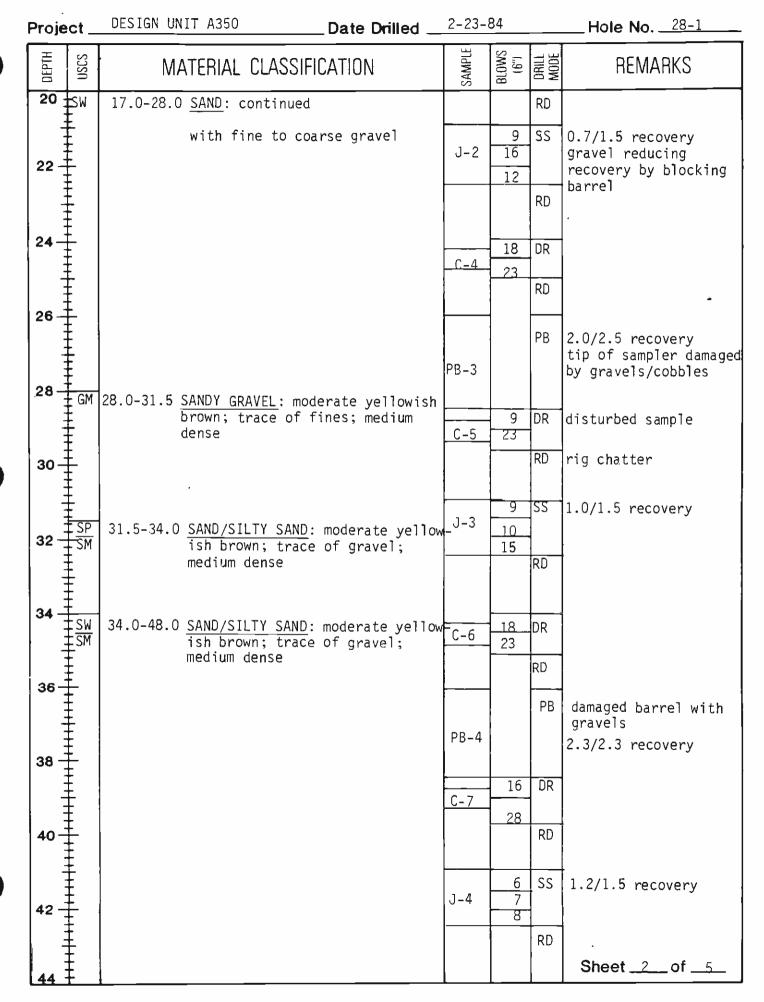
		DESIGN UNIT A-350	Date Drilled		-83		Hole No. <u></u>
DEPTH	USCS	MATERIAL CLASSI	FICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
44	S P	42.0-45.0 GRAVELLY SAND:	(continued)			AD	
46		45.0-49.0 <u>SILT</u> : light gre medium brown; f <sup>.</sup> with lenses of s	irm; very moist;				
<b>18</b> 19		becoming dark bu slight petroleun	n odor				
50		49.0-55.0 <u>CLAYEY SILT</u> : da moist; firm to s	ark brown; very. stiff				
52		wet; very strong	g petroleum odor				standing water @ 52.
54		becoming sandy a	and gravelly				
56   1   1   1   1	SM	55.0-57.0 <u>SILTY SAND</u> : inte sandy silt; wet	erlaced with				bag sample at 55.0'
58 60		B.H. 57.0' Terminated hol Terminated due to sloughi is 3% level. Gasoline (± GWT.	ng. Gas in hole	2			case hole to 50.0'; hole belled about 6'- 8' at 52' (GWT) but did not cave above 52' when casing was pulled
62 62							
64 64							
66							
68	Ē						Sheet $3$ of $3$

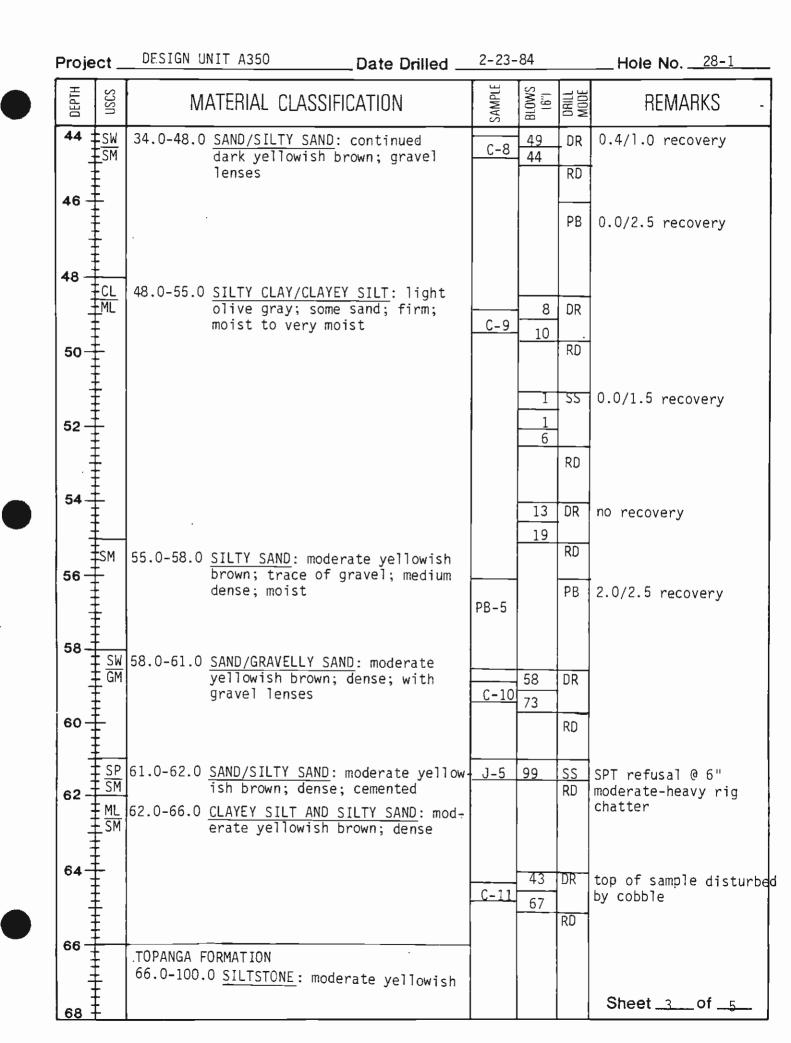


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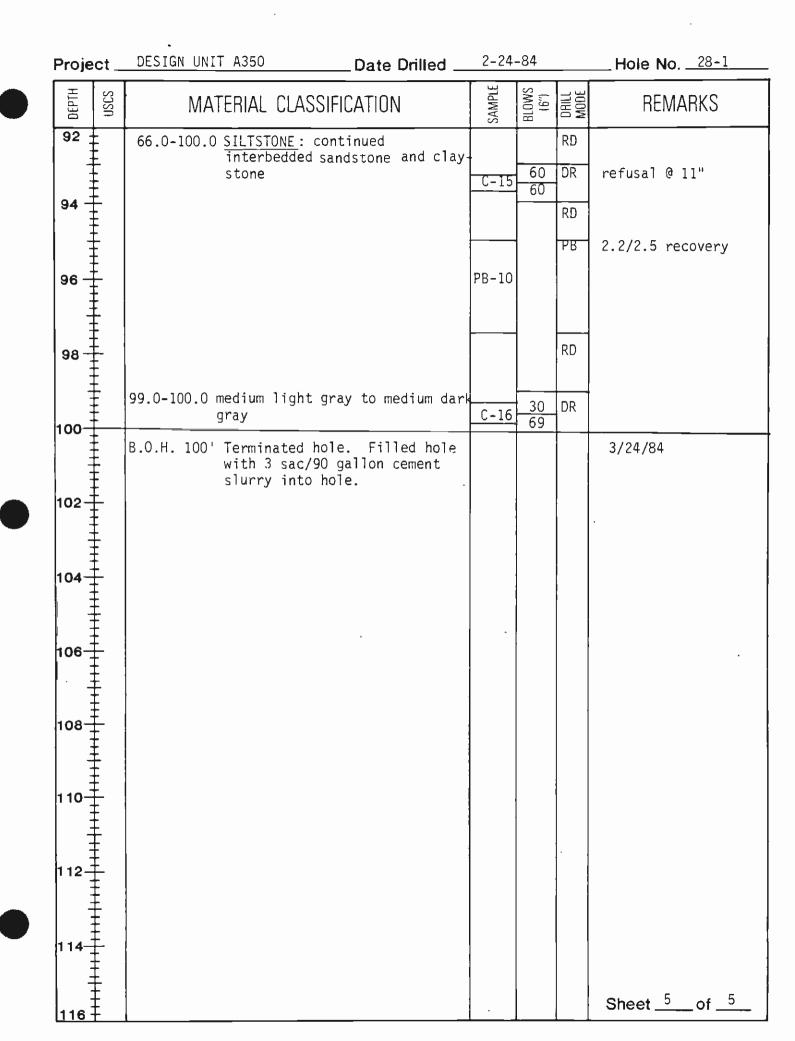


Proj:	D	ESIGN UNIT A350	Date Drilled	2/22-	23/84			Ground Elev
Drill	Rig .	Failing 1500	Logged By _	M. Sc	hluter	_		Total Depth 100.0'
Hole	Dia	meter4 7/8"	Hammer Weig	ght &	Fall _	325 1	Ь @	18", SPT 140 15 0 30"
DEPTH	USCS	MATERIAL CLA	SSIFICATION		SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
0		0.0-0.4 A.C. PAVEMENT					С	started drilling
	SM	ALLUVIUM 0.4-5.0 <u>SILTY SAND</u> : m of gravel; lo		trace		5	DR	
2-					C-1	6		2/22/84
	ŧ.						RD	2/23/84 rotary wash
4-								
	- SW	5.0-13.0 SAND: modera	te vellowish br	own ·				
6-		trace of fine	es and gravel;					
		.dense; moist			PB-1		PB	2.5/2.5 recovery
8-								
	ŧ					7	DR	
	÷.				<u>C-2</u>	15	RD	
10-	Ŧ		•				KD.	
	Ŧ	fine to coars	se gravel			3	SS	0.1/1.5 recovery
12-	Į.				J-1	7 13	55	end of sampler blocked
	ŧ					15	RD	by coarse gravel
	SM	13.0-17.0 <u>SILTY SAND</u> :					,	
14-	‡	brown; trace dense; moist	e of gravel; med ;	dium			DR	
	ŧ				<u>C-3</u>	13		
16-	Ŧ							
	Ī						PB	1.9/2.5 recovery
18	SW	17.0-28.0 <u>SAND</u> : modera trace of gra	te yellowish bi vel; medium der	rown; nse	PB-2			
	‡ ‡_					_ 7	DR	sample not recovered
20	ŧ					9	RD	Sheet of





Project \_\_\_\_DESIGN\_UNIT\_A350 2-23/23-84 Hole No. <u>28-1</u> \_\_\_\_\_Date Drilled \_\_ SAMPLE (1.9) (6'') DEPTH USCS DRILL MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION REMARKS 68 PB-6 0.5/0.5 recovery ΡR 66.0-100.0 SILTSTONE: continued brown; soft-moderately hard; ŔD thinly laminated; interbedded sandstone and claystone; medium 70 to light gray to moderate yellowish brown 70 DR. C-12 90 RD 72 PΒ 1.9/2.5 recovery PB-774 · very thin olive black and dark gray laminations ŔD 76 78 very thinly laminated sandstone/ 93 DR siltstone; weakly cemented; soft; C-13 75 60-70' RD 80 82 moderately hard, moderate to PB 1.9/2.0 recovery well cemented PB-8 84 RD medium gray to dark gray; soft 86 to moderately hard; trace DR 37 C-14 petroleum 62 RD 88 ΡB 90-PB-9 RD 2/22/84 Sheet \_4\_ of \_5 92

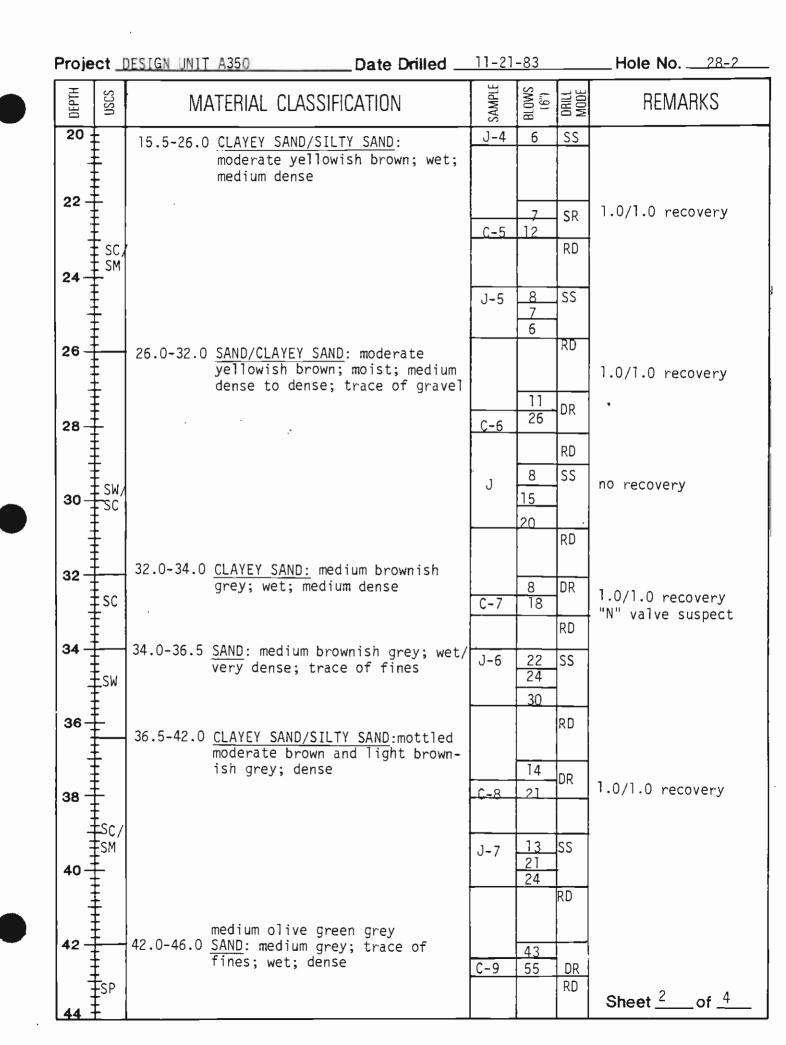


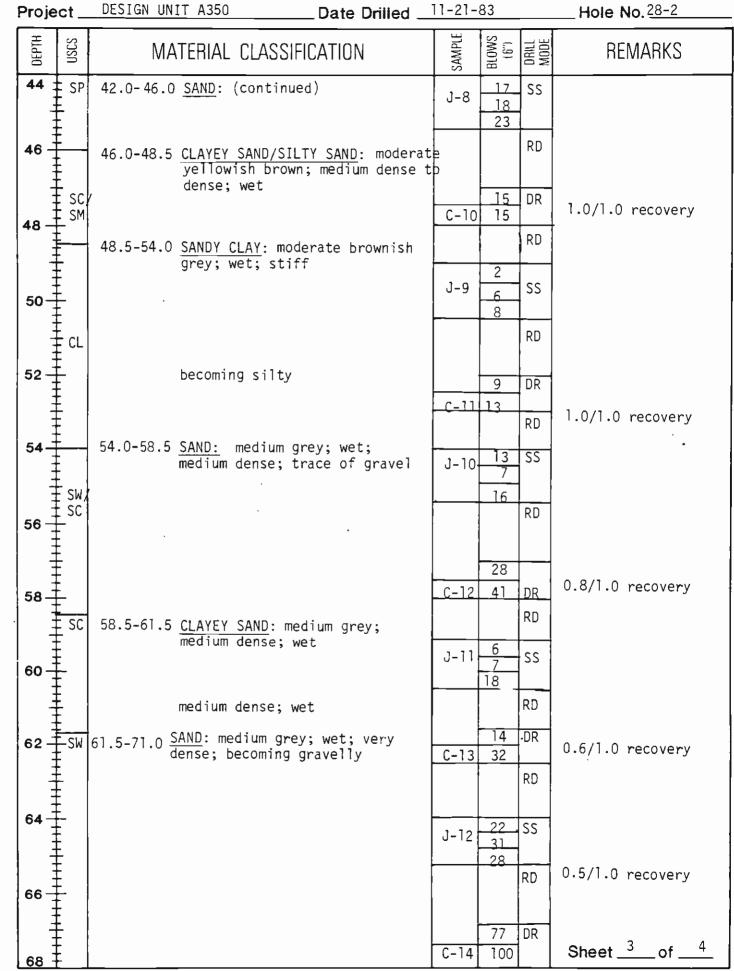
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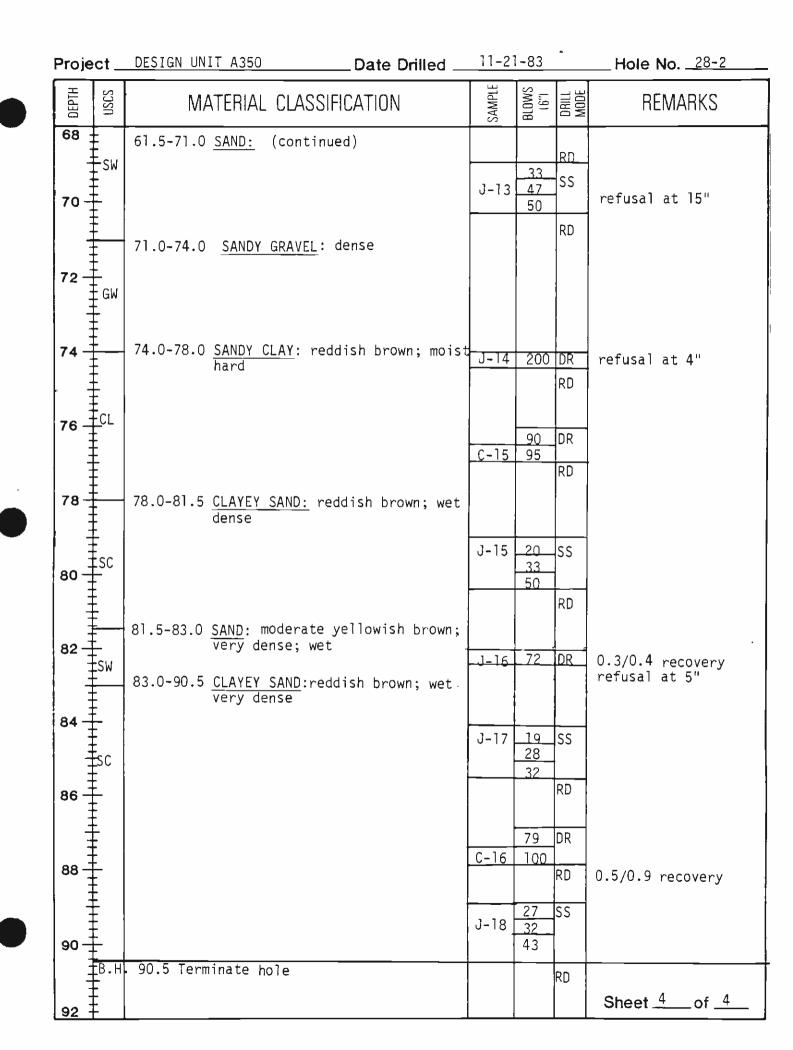
## BORING LOG 28-2

Proj: <u>DESIGN UNIT A350</u> Date Drilled <u>11-21-83</u> Ground Elev. <u>406'</u>								
Drill Rig Logged ByM	ion	. Total Depth <u>90-5'</u>						
Hole Diameter 4 7/8" Hammer Weight &	Fall <u>SS: 140 1bs</u>	; @ 30" DR; <u>320 1bs @ 18</u>						
톱 엷 MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION	SAMPLE BLOWS (6") DRILL MODE	REMARKS						
<ul> <li>6" <u>ASPHALT CONCRETE</u> 6" <u>BASE ROCK</u> ALLUVIUM 1.0-3.5 <u>SAND</u>: yellowish brown; trace of gravel; moist; loose</li> <li>3.5-6.5 <u>SAND</u>:moderate brown; moist; medium dense; trace of fines</li> </ul>	GB 10 C-1 9 AD	1.0/1.0 recovery						
6.5-9.0 <u>SAND</u> : moderate yellowish brown; trace of gravel; moist to wet; medium dense	6 J-1 7 SS 9 RD 12 C-2 14 DR	1.0/1.0 recovery						
<pre>8 - 5w 9.0-11.5 <u>SAND:</u> moderately brown; wet; medium dense; trace of silt 10 - SP</pre>	J-2 7 SS 7 8	1.0/1.0 recovery						
12 SW	RD           14         DR           C-3         19           RD         RD	1.0/1.0 recovery						
16 16 16 16 15.5-26.0 <u>CLAYEY SAND/SILTY SAND</u> : moderate yellowish brown; wet; medium dense	J-3 22 SS 30 32 RD 							
18-5C/ SM 20-	C-4         24           RD         RD           J-4         4           5	1.0/1.0 recovery Sheet <u>1</u> of <u>4</u>						





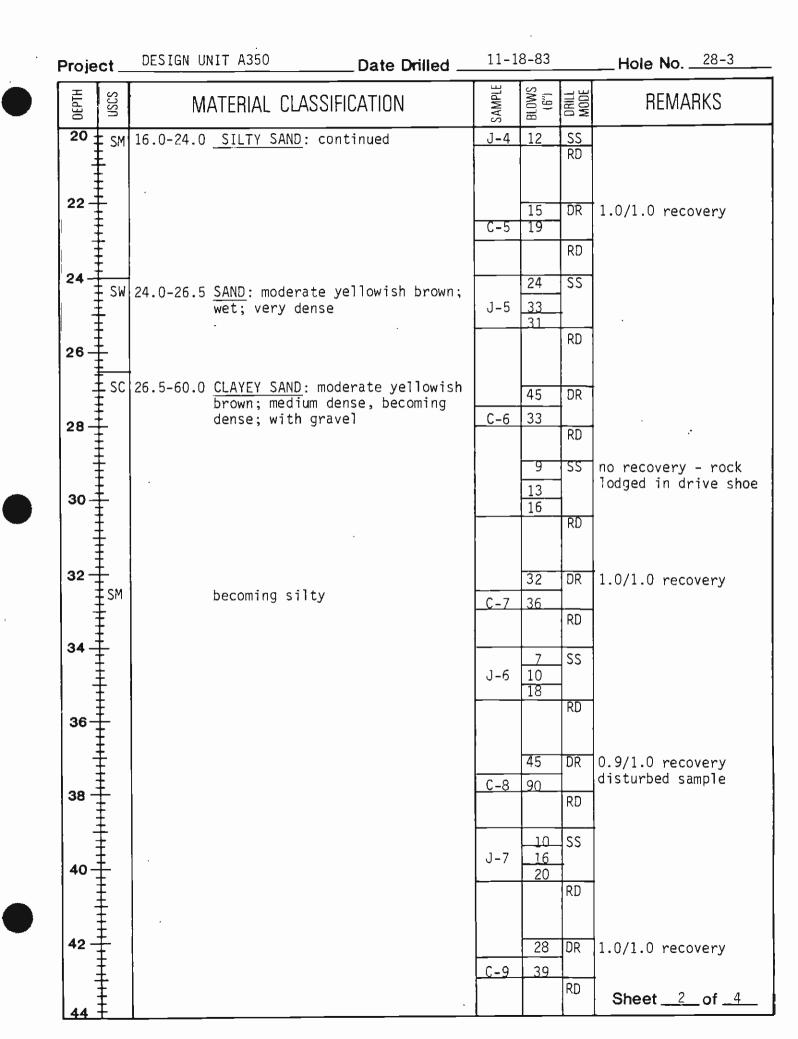
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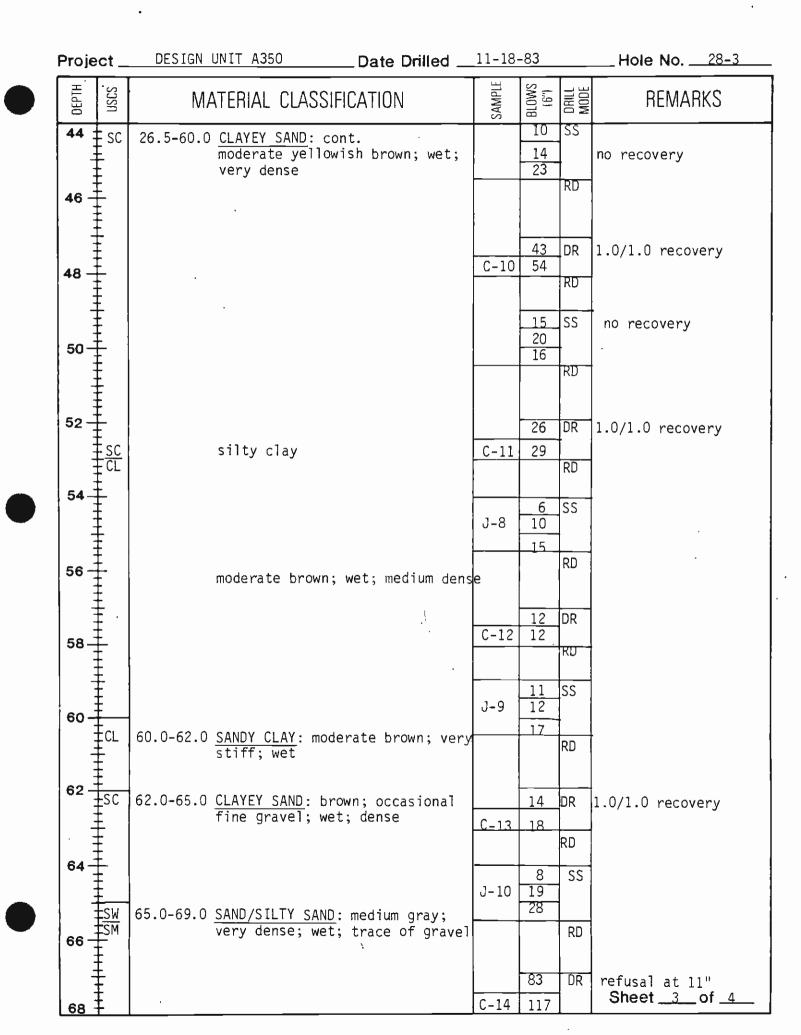


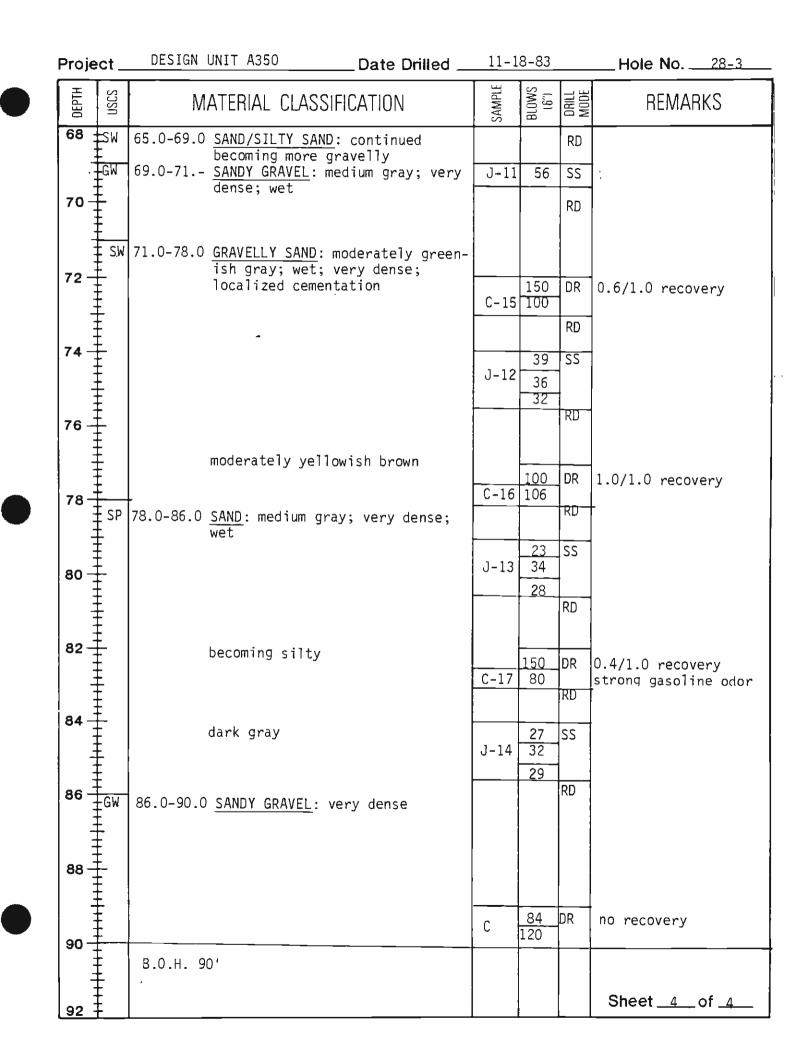
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Proj: DESIGN UNIT A350 Date Drilled 11-1	18-83 Ground Elev. 3991
Drill Rig Failing 1500 Logged By P Moo	on Total Depth90'
Hole Diameter <u>4 7/8</u> Hammer Weight &	
톱 열 MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION	
0.0-0.1 <u>ASPHALT CONCRETE</u> 0.1-0.5 <u>ROCK BASE</u> SM FILL 0.5-5.0 <u>SILTY SAND</u> : dark brown; moist; 100se	GB
	4         DR           C-1         4           AD
SW ALLUVIUM 5.0-6.0 SAND: moderate yellowish brown;	J-1 2 SS 6 RD
GW 6.0-7.5 <u>SANDY GRAVEL</u> : moderate brown; wet Toose	t 3 DR 0.4/1.0 recovery
8 SC 7.5-13.5 CLAYEY SAND: moderate yellowish brown; wet; medium dense	C-2 5 RD 3 SS
	J-2 5 8 RD
	6 DR 1.0/1.0 recovery C-3 9
14 CL 13.5-16.0 <u>SANDY CLAY</u> : moderate yellowish brown; wet; very stiff	
<b>16</b> <b>16</b> <b>16</b> .0-24.0 <u>SILTY</u> SAND: moderate yellowish brown; wet; medium dense	11 RD
	15         DR         0.4/1.0         recovery           C-4         29         RD         RD         RD
20	J-4 10 Sheet 1 of 4



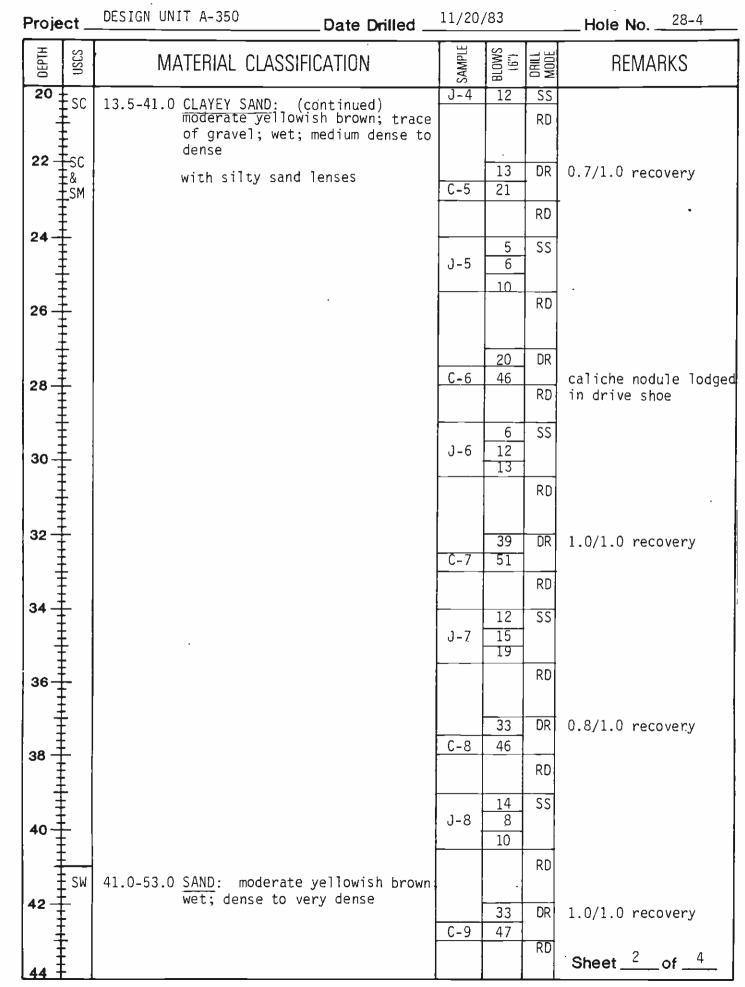


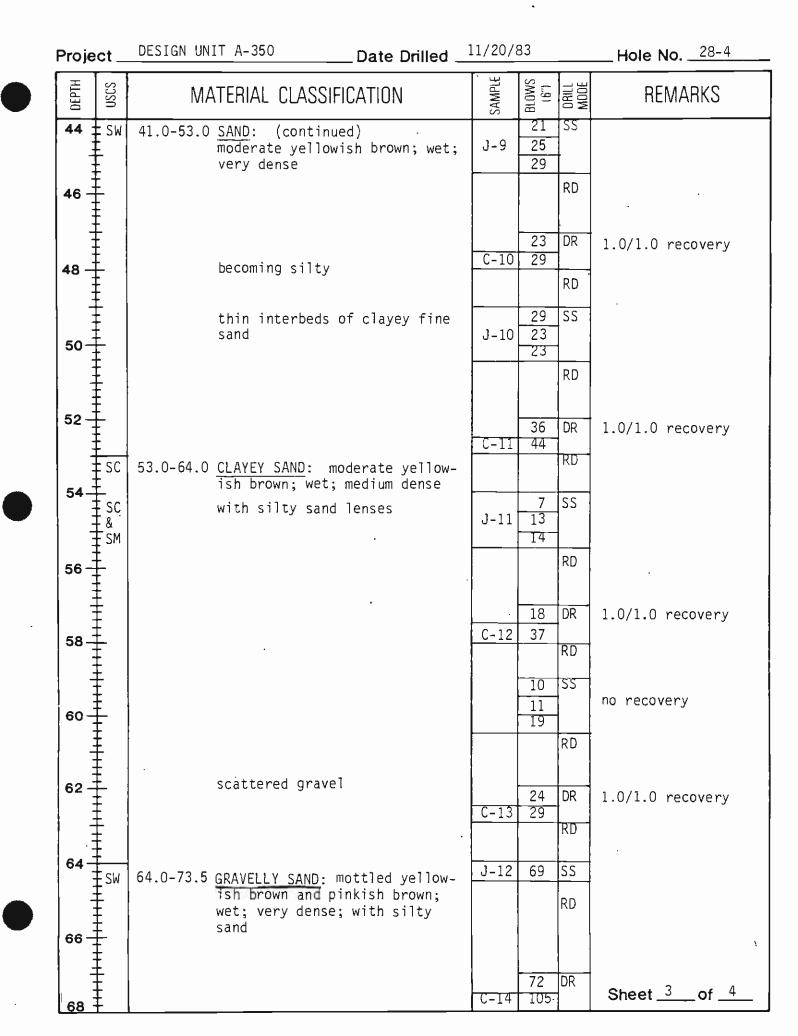


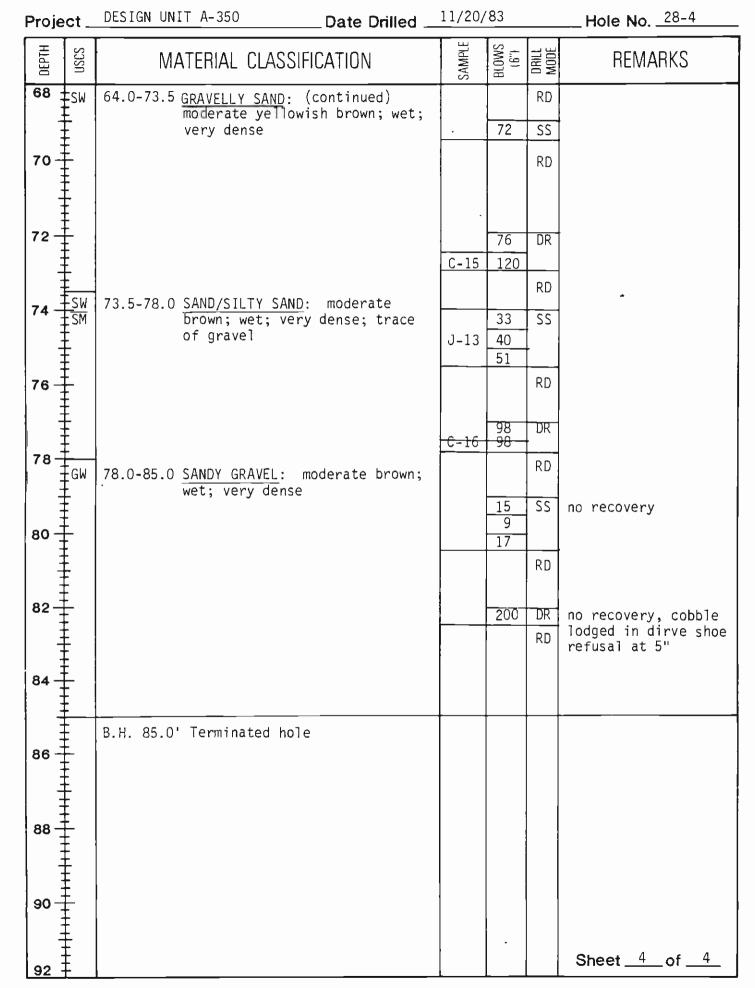
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				Date Drilled _							
Drill	Rig .	Failing	1500	Logged By _	P. Mo	oon			Total De	epth _	85.0'
Hole	Dia	meter_ <u>4</u> 7	7/8"	Hammer Weig	ht &	Fall S	s140	1b @	30", DR:	320 lb	s@18"
DEPTH	USCS	М	ATERIAL CLA	SSIFICATION		SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	RE	MARK	S
0		0.0-0.4 0.4-1.0	ASPHALT CONC GRAVEL BASE	<u>RETE</u>				GB			
2-		ALLUVIUM 1.0-3.5	<u>SAND</u> : moder loose	ate brown; wet;			-	DR	1.0/1.0	recove	ry
	L CH	3.5-6.0	SANDY CLAY:	moderate green	ish	C-1	4	AD			
			brown; wet;			J-1	P P 2	SS			
6-	T SW	6.0-9.0	<u>SAND</u> : moder loose; trace	ate brown; wet; of gravel				RD			
8-						C-2	5 13	DR RD	1.0/1.0	recove	ry
10-	CL	9.0-13.5	SANDY CLAY: brown; wet;	moderate yello stiff	wish	J-2	3	SS			
							6	ŔD			
12-						C-3	6 12	DR	0.8/1.0	recove	ry
14-	sc	13.5-41.0	CLAYEY SAND: brown; wet;	moderate yell medium dense	owish		1	RD SS			
	SC &		with silty s			J-3	4				
16-	ESM E						7	RD DR	1 0/1 0	No. 6 8 ··· -	
18-						C-4	13	RD	1.0/1.0	recove	ry.
20			occasional f	ine gravel		J-4	9 11	SS	Sheet _	of	



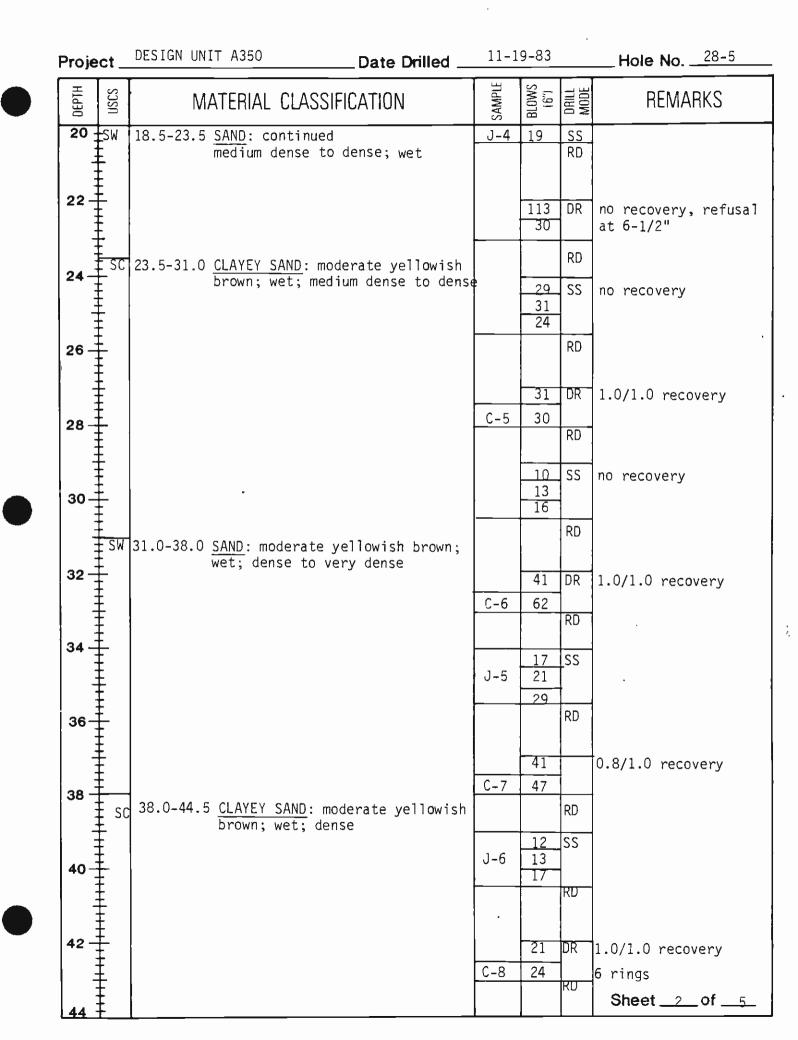


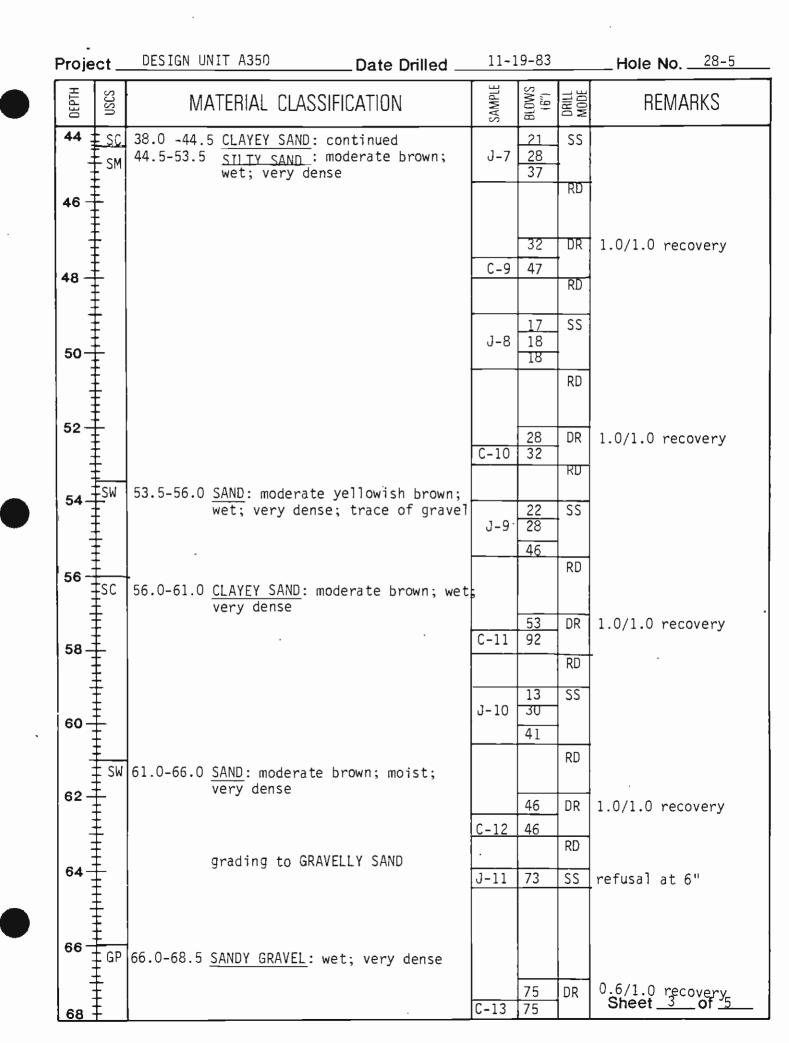


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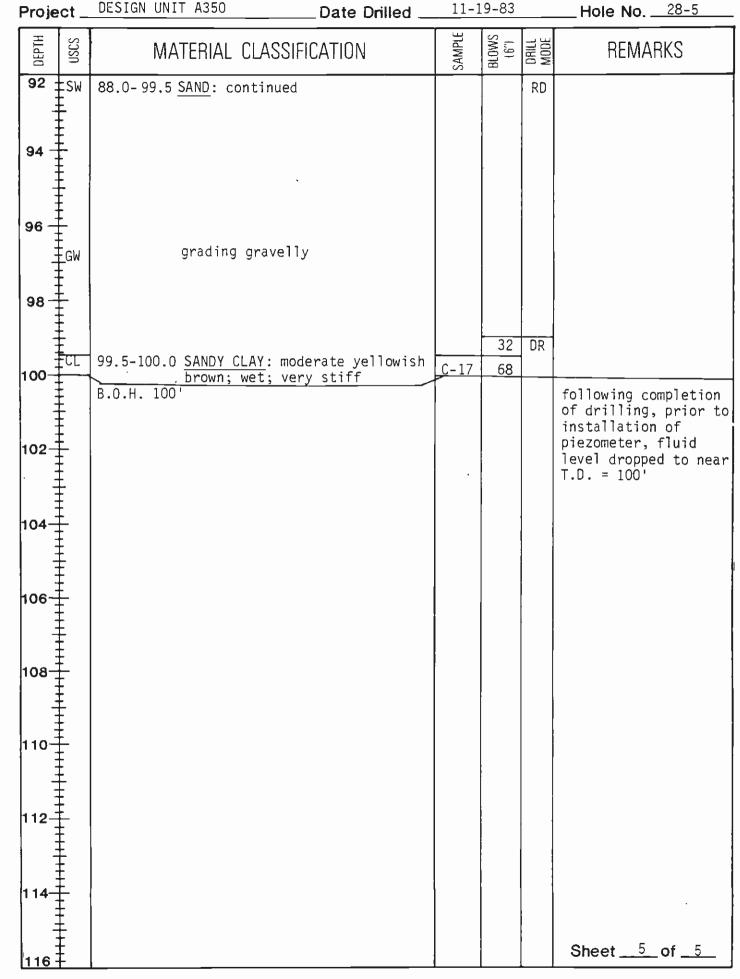
	DESIGN UNIT A350	Date Drilled 11-	<u>19-83</u>			Ground Elev. <u>387.5'</u>
Drill R	igFailing 1500	Logged ByP. Ma	oon			Total Depth 100.0'
	Diameter <u>4 7/8"</u>	. Hammer Weight &	Fall <sup>SS</sup>	:140	<u>1b,</u>	<u>30", DR 320 lbs.@18"</u>
DEPTH	B MATERIAL CLA	SSIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
	0.0-0.8 ASPHALT CONCRI 0.8-1.0 BASE ROCK	<u>ETE</u>			GB	
2	ALLUVIUM SM 1.0-8.5 <u>SILTY SAND</u> : r loose	noderate brown; moist		9	DR	1.0/1.0 recovery
			C-1	9	AD	
4	-		J-1	2	SS	
				<u>3</u> 4	RD	
	-					1.0/1.0
8	-		<u>C-2</u>	6 7	DR RD	1.0/1.0 recovery
	_CL 8.5-16.0 <u>SANDY CLAY</u> : n brown; moist	noderate yellowish ; stiff		4	SS	
10	-		J-2	4	RD	
	-				ΝU	
	-		C-3	4	DR	1.0/1.0 recovery
					RD	
	_		J-3	4 4 5	SS	
16	SC 16.0-18.5 CLAYEY SAND:	moderate yellowish			RD	
		; medium dense		9	DR	1.D/1.0 recovery
18			C-4	13	RD	
20	_SW 18.5-23.5 <u>SAND</u> : moder	ale yellowish brown;	J-4	10 12	SS	Sheet _1of _5





Project _	DESIGN UNIT A350	Date Drilled	11-19	9-83		Hole No	28-5
DEPTH USCS	MATERIAL CLAS	SIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6'')	DRILL MODE	REMAR	KS
68 <u>GP</u> SW		te yellowish brown;	J-12	62	RD SS RD		
72	70 5 00 5		C-14	130 60	DR RD	0.6/0.8 recov refusal at 10	
74 + SM	73.5-83.5 <u>SILTY SAND</u> : wet; very de	moderate brown; ise	J-13	18 27 48	SS RD		
78			C-15	29 35 7	DR RD SS	1.0/1.0 recov	ery
80			J-11	<u>11</u> 18	RD		
82	scattered fine		C-16	45	DR RD	1.0/1.0 recove	ery
84 +GW	83.5-88.0 <u>SANDY GRAVEL</u>	. wer; very dense	J-15		<u>SS</u> RD	refusal at 6"	
88 88 90	88.0-97.0 <u>SAND</u> : wet; ve	ery dense				piezometer se 100'	et at
92 +						Sheet	of _5

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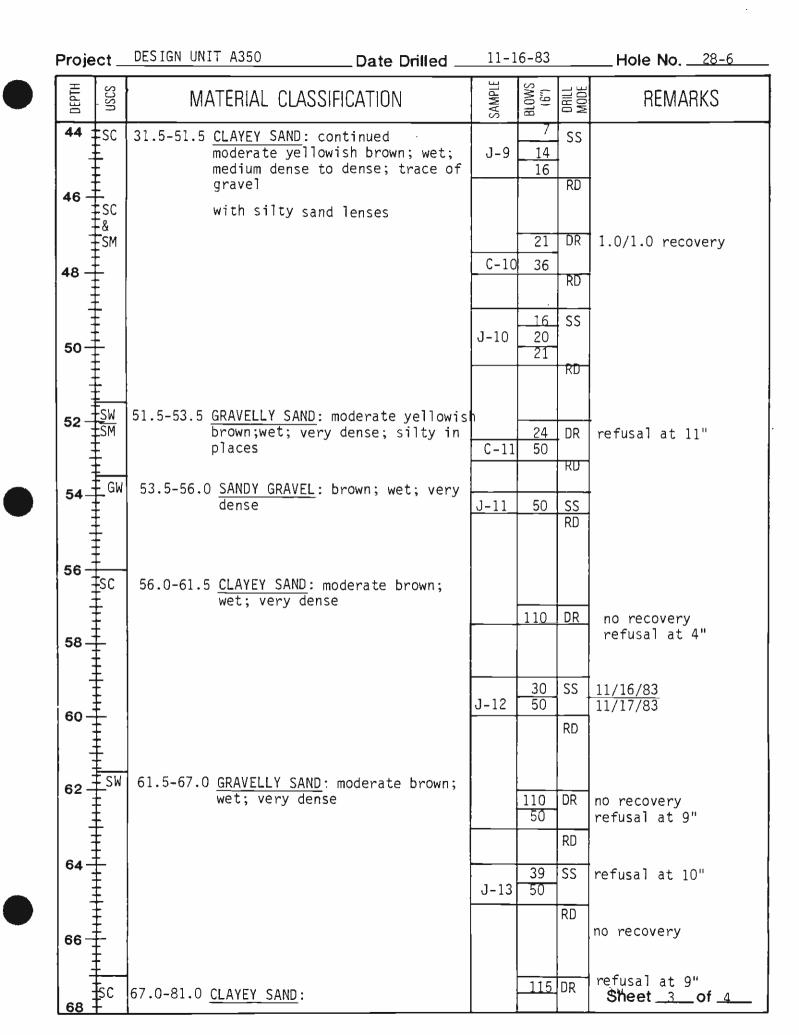


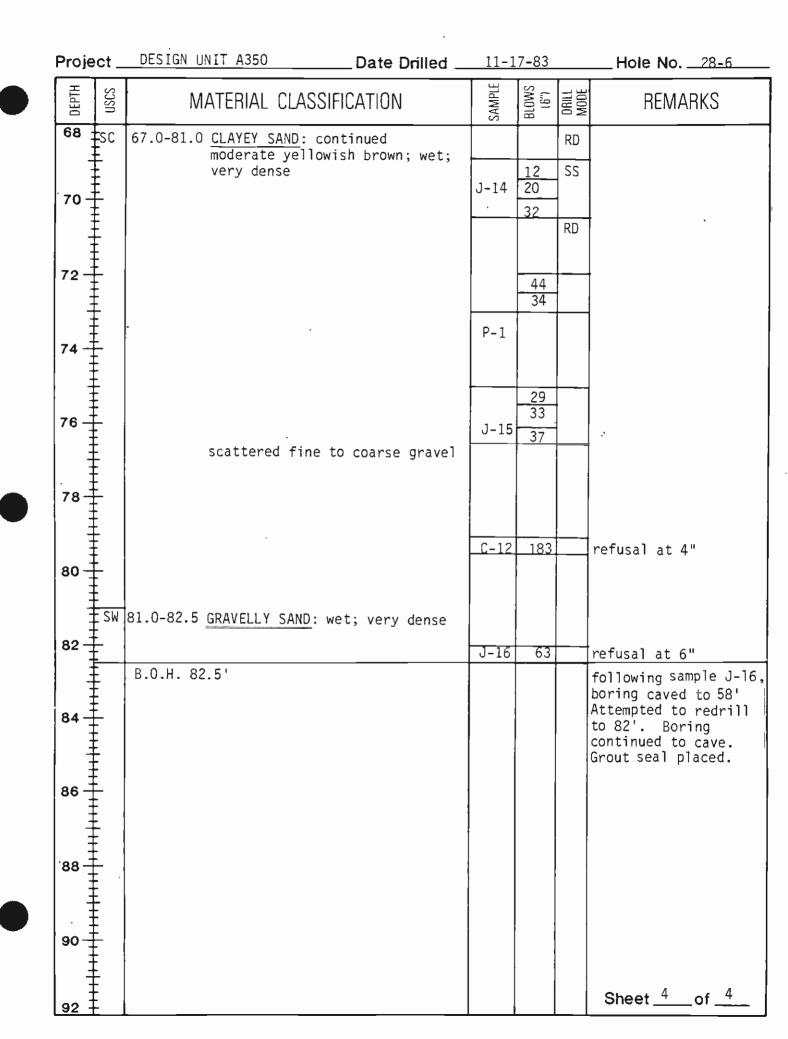
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Proj:	D8	SIGN UNIT A350	Date Drilled	<u>11-16</u>	5-83			Ground Elev. 385.5'
Drill F	Rig .	Failing 1500	Logged By	P. Mo	on			Total Depth _82.5'
Hole	Diar	neter4 7/8"	Hammer Wei	ght &	Failss	140 1	Ь 30	DR: 320 lbs. 0 18"
DEPTH	uscs	MATERIAL CLA	SSIFICATION		SAMPLE	8LOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
0		0.0-0.75 <u>CONCRETE</u> 0.75-1.0 <u>BASE ROCK</u>					GB	
2	CL	ALLUVIUM 1.0-3.5 <u>SANDY CLAY</u> : da moist; stiff	rk yellowish b	rown;	C-1	36	DR	0.6/1.0 recovery
4	SC	3.5-6.5 <u>CLAYEY SAND</u> : c moist; medium	lark yellowish dense	brown;		4	AD SS	
6-					J-1	4 7	RD	· .
	L CL	6.5-16.0 <u>SANDY CLAY</u> : d moist; stiff	ark yellowish	brown;	C-2	6	DR	0.8/1.0 recovery
8-					J-2	4	RD SS	
10-		becoming clay	ey			6 8	RD	
12_					C-3	 	DR	1.0/1.0 recovery
14-		trace of gra	vel			3	RD SS	
16-		16.0-18.5 <u>SAND</u> : modera	to vollowish h	0000	J-3	5 7	RD	
		moist; mediu		ruwn;	C-4	12	DR	1.0/1.0 recovery
18-	sc	18.5-22.0 <u>CLAYEY SAND</u>	: moderate yell	lowish	<u> </u>	16	RD	
20	<u>‡</u>				J-4	5 10	SS	Sheet1of4

Project _	DESIGN UNIT A350	Date Drilled	11-1	.6-83		Hole No8-6
DEPTH USCS	MATERIAL CLASS	SIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
20 ± SC	18.5-22.0 <u>CLAYEY SAND</u> : o brown; moist;			9	SS RD	
22	22.0-25.5 <u>SANDY CLAY</u> : mo brown; moist;	oderate yellowish medium dense	C-5	12 13	DR	1.0/1.0 recovery
24			J-5	<u>11</u> 13	RD SS	
26 SC	25.5-27.5 CLAYEY SAND: m	noderate yellowish wet; medium dense	0=5	19	RD	
28 + SP	27.5-31.5 <u>SAND</u> : moderate		C-6	22 29	DR	1.0/1.0 recovery
28	moist; dense	,	J-6	9	RD SS	
30				22	RD	-
32 - SC	31.5-51.5 <u>CLAYEY SAND</u> : m brown; moist; sandy clay	oderate yellowish medium dense; with	C-7	28 38	DR	1.0/1.0 recovery
<b>34</b> + SC 34 + SM	with silty san	d lenses		30	RD SS	
36			J-7	14 15	RD	
			C-8	17	DR	1.0/1.0 recovery
38 +				30 7	RD SS	
40			J-8	10 12	RD	
42				╉────		1.0/1.0 recovery
44			<u>C-9</u>	37	RD	Sheet of

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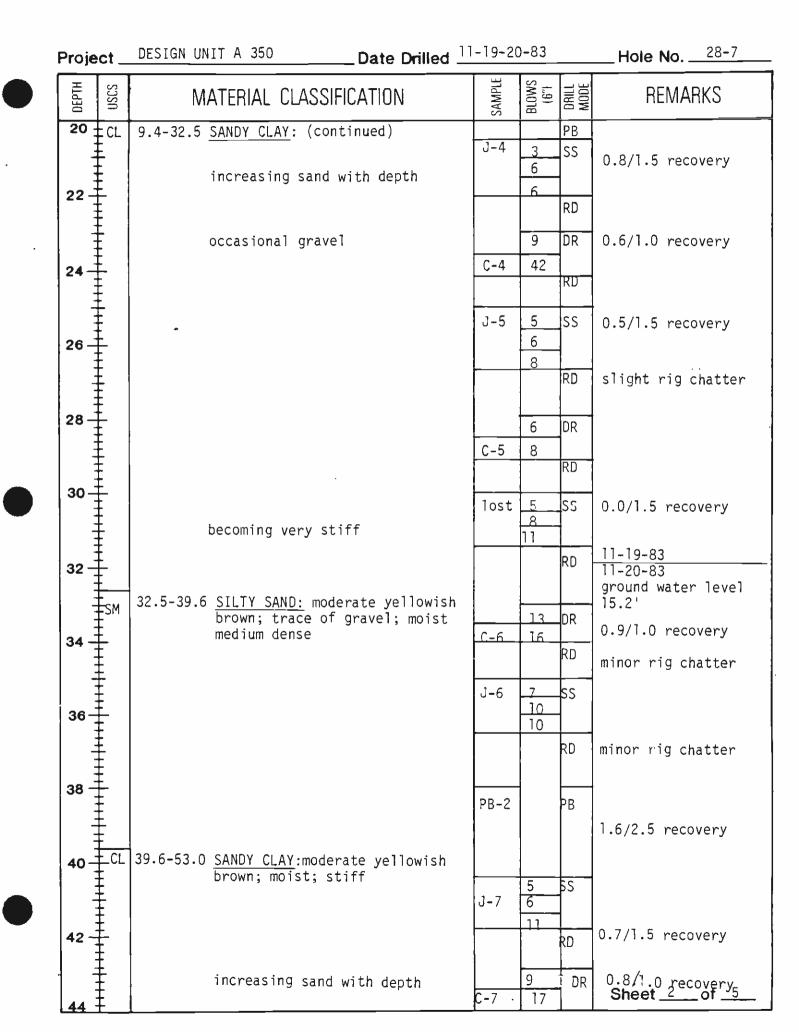


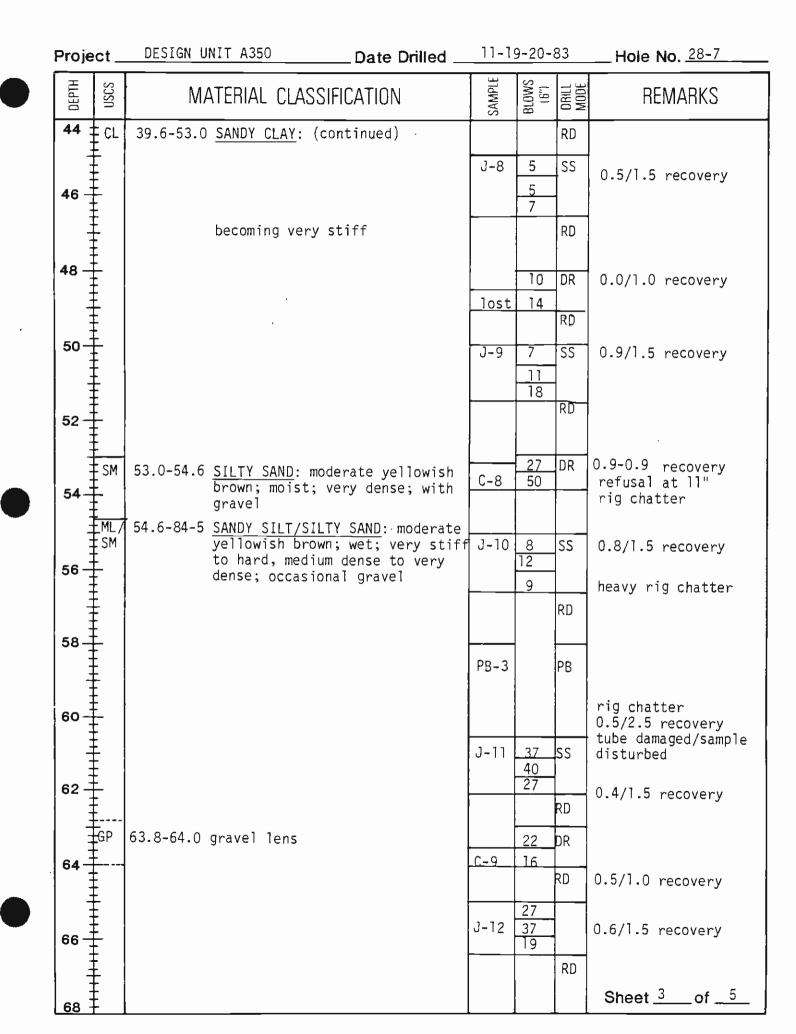


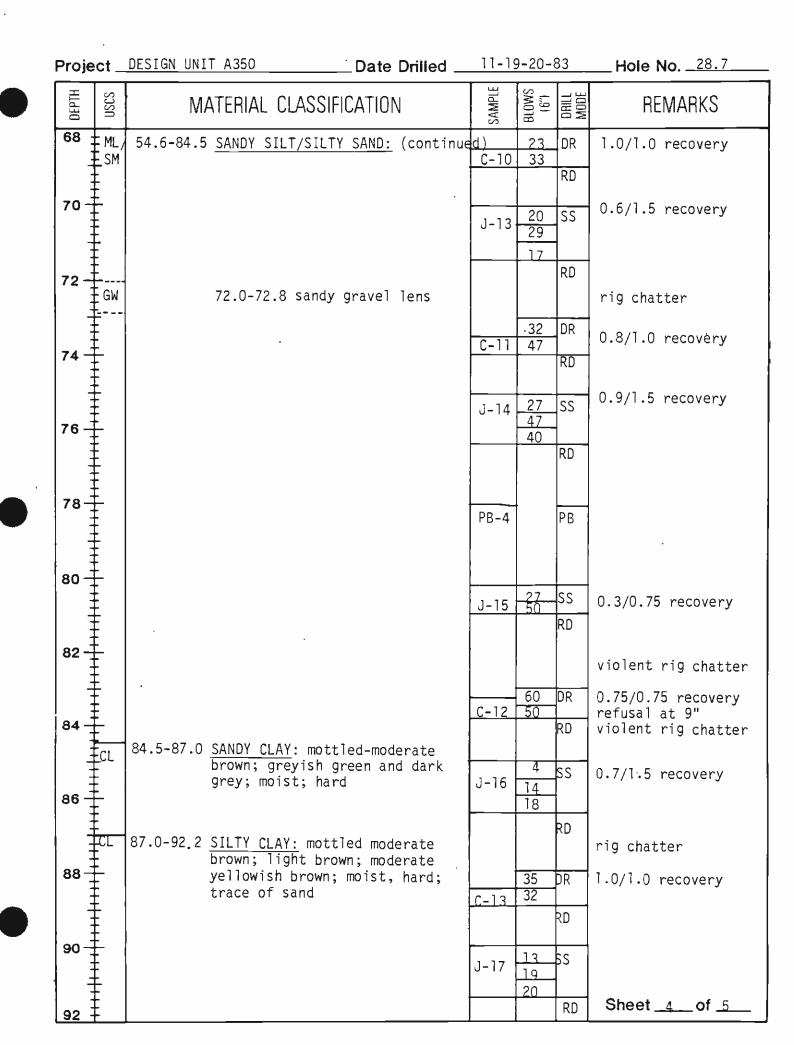
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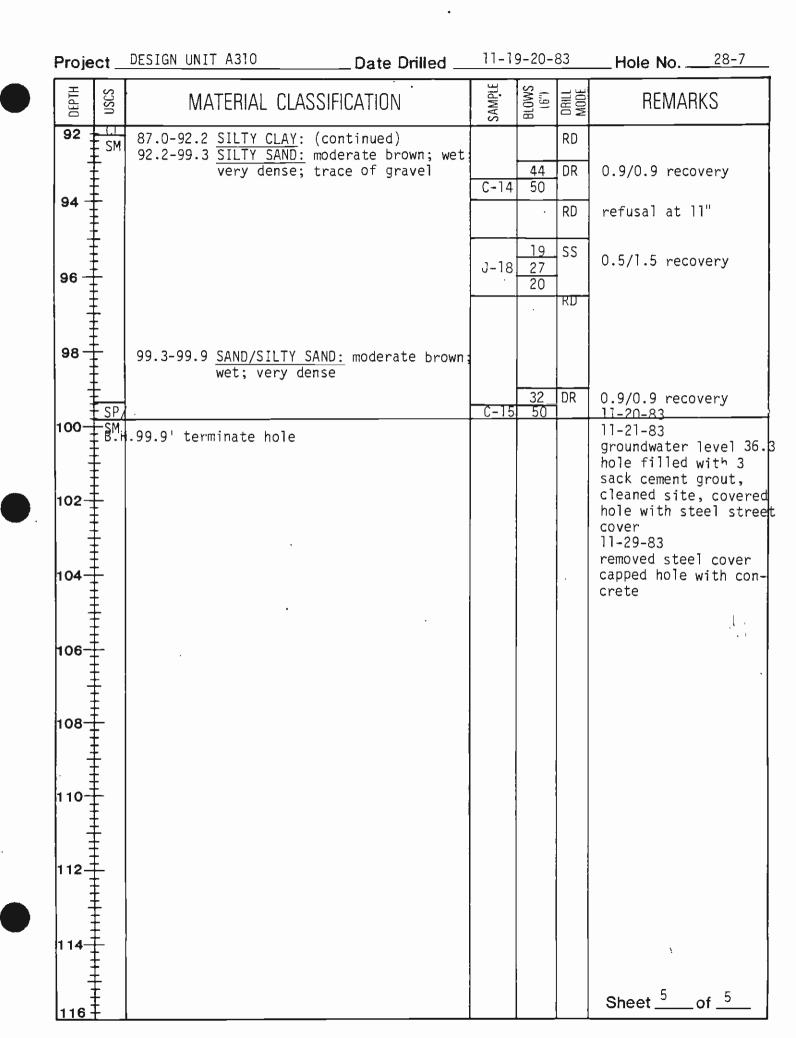


Proj:	ESIGN UNIT A350	Date Drilled <sup>11-19-2</sup>	Ground Elev. 382.5'			
Drill Rig	FAILING 750	Logged By <u>St. S1</u>	aff			Total Depth <u>99.9'</u>
Hole Dia	meter <u>4 7/8"</u>	Hammer Weight &	Fall 🛙	40 lb	s.,	30"SS,320 lb, 18" DR
DEPTH USCS	MATERIAL CLA	SSIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	ORILL MODE	REMARKS
	0.0-0.4 <u>ASPHALT</u> 0.4-0.7 <u>BASE ROCK</u> 0.7-2.8 <u>SANDY CLAY:</u> m soft; micaceo		1		AD	
	2.5 becoming	moist; stiff				
4	2.8-9.4 <u>SILTY SAND</u> :mo loose; minor of fine grave	steel debris; trace	<u> </u>	23	DR AD	1.0/1.0 recovery
6-+			J-1	3 4 4	SS	1.5/1.5 recovery
					RD	
8-1-	8.8 decreasing yellowish brow	j fines; moderate m ,	C-2	4_ 5	DR	0.4/1.0 recovery
	ALLUVIUM 9.4-32.5 <u>SANDY CLAY:</u> brown; moist; gravel	moderate yellowish stiff; trace of	J-2	2 56	RD SS	
					RĎ	
	13.0 becoming	more sandy	C-3	3	DR	0.9/1.5 recovery
	becoming less	sandy	J-3	2	RD SS	1.3/1.5 recovery
18					RD	
20			PB-1		PB	0.2/2.5 recovery Sheet <u>1</u> of <u>5</u>



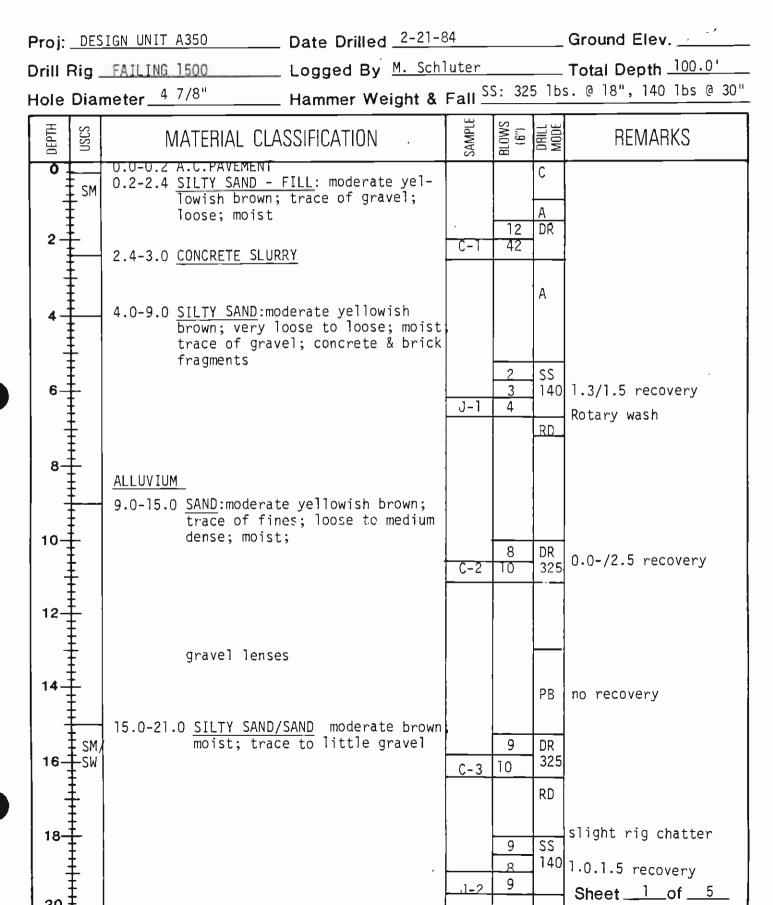


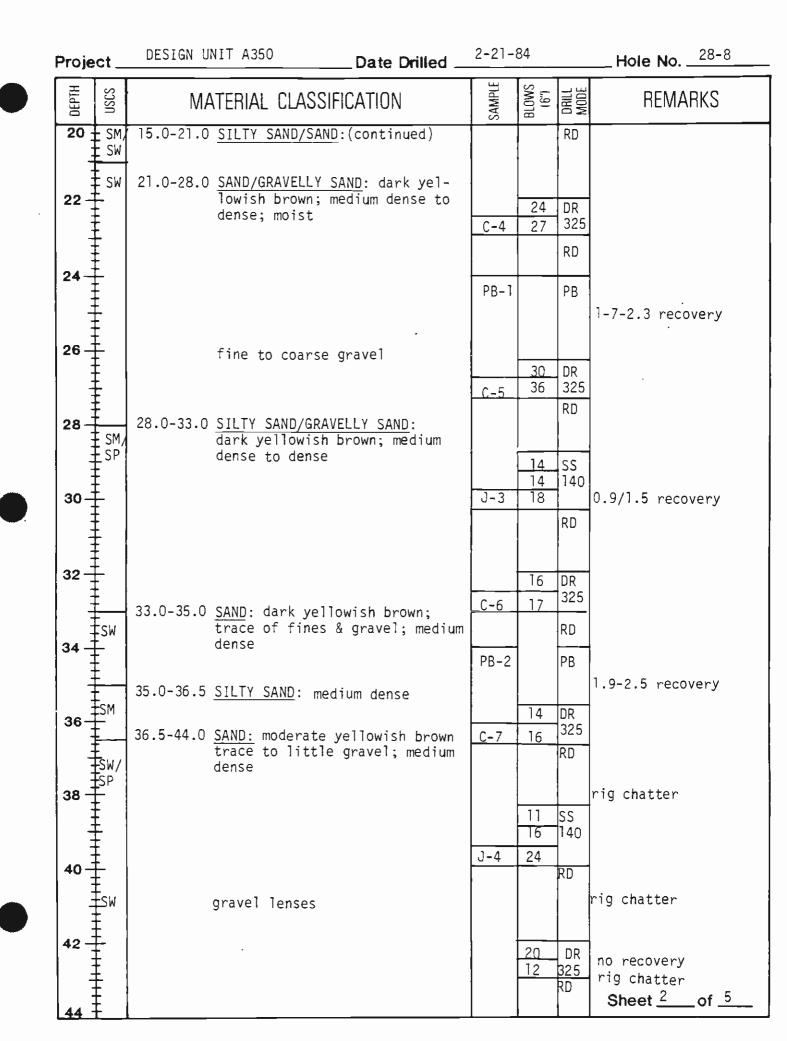


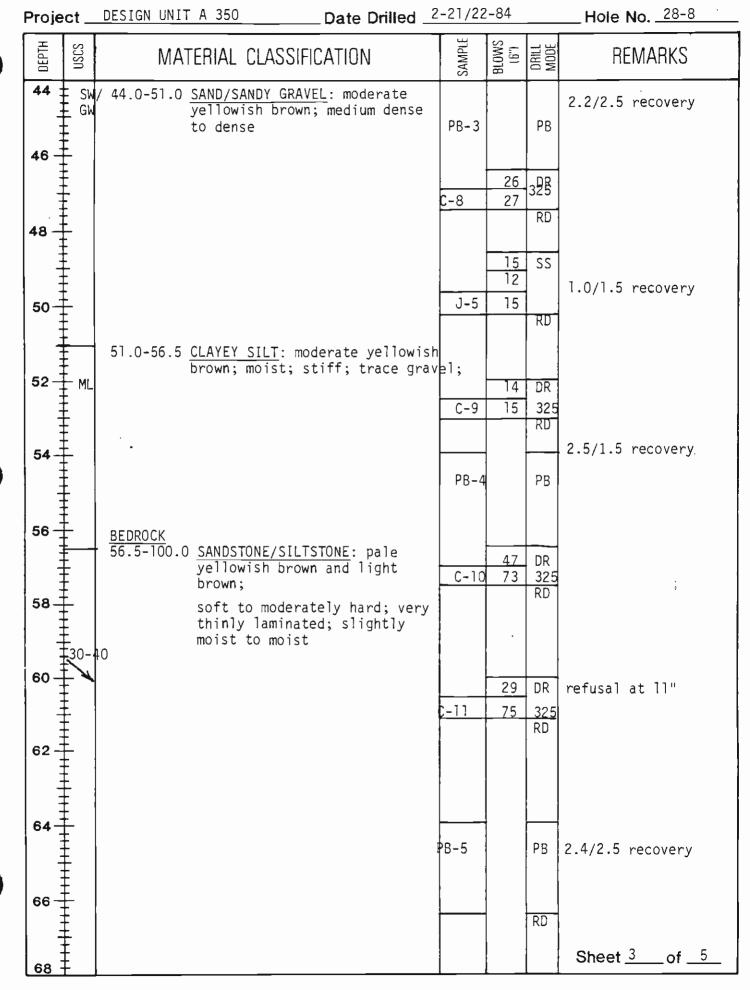


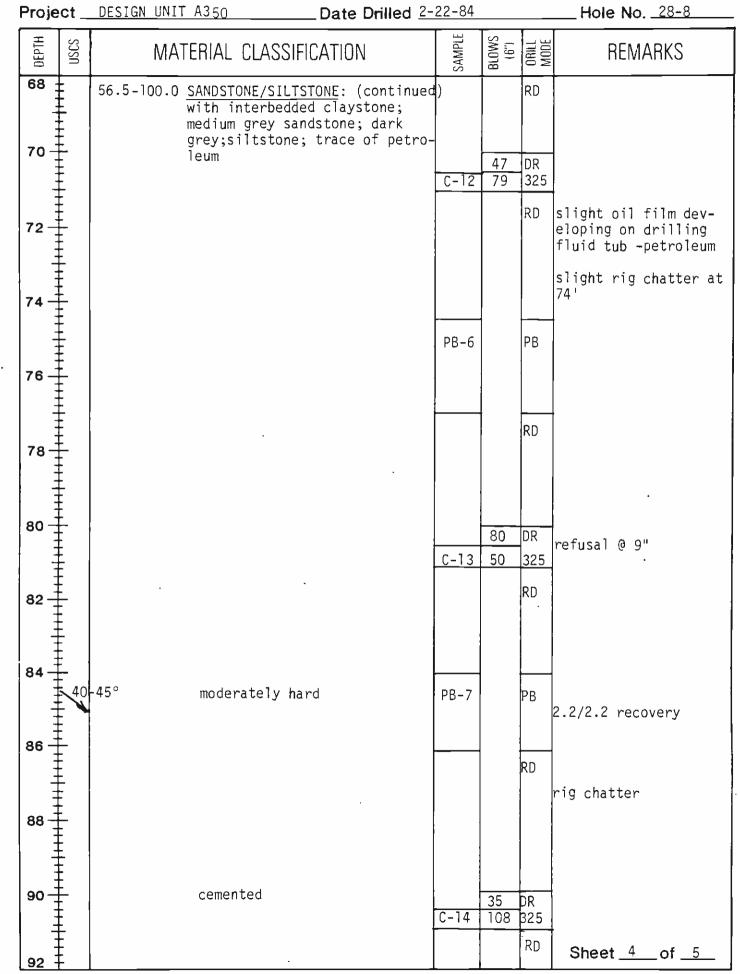
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		DESIGN UNIT	A350 Date Drilled _			r	Hole No. <u>8</u>
DEPTH	NSCS	MATE	RIAL CLASSIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
92	ŧ					RD	
-							0.3/0.3 recovery
94 -		94.0-96.0	hard; well cemented sand- stone; medium light grey;	PB-8		PB	
-			fractured; thinly bedded; little weathered				rig chatter (94'-96'
6 -							
: - - 8(							variable rig chatter
-							Ĵ
				<u>C-15</u>	150	DR 325	refusal @ 4" <u>disturbed samp</u> le
-00	в.Н.	100.0' Termir	ated Hole				2-22-84 installed 100' piez-
-							ometer, perforated from 80-100'; back-
)2-							filled with pea grav
-							2-24-84, water level 40.2' below street
04-							level, installed cas ing and cover
-							
)6-							
- 							
10-							
12-							
1							
14-							
-							
16 -							Sheet <u>5</u> of <u>5</u>

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Proj:	Date Drilled1/19-23/81	Ground Elev. <u>417'</u>
		Total Depth

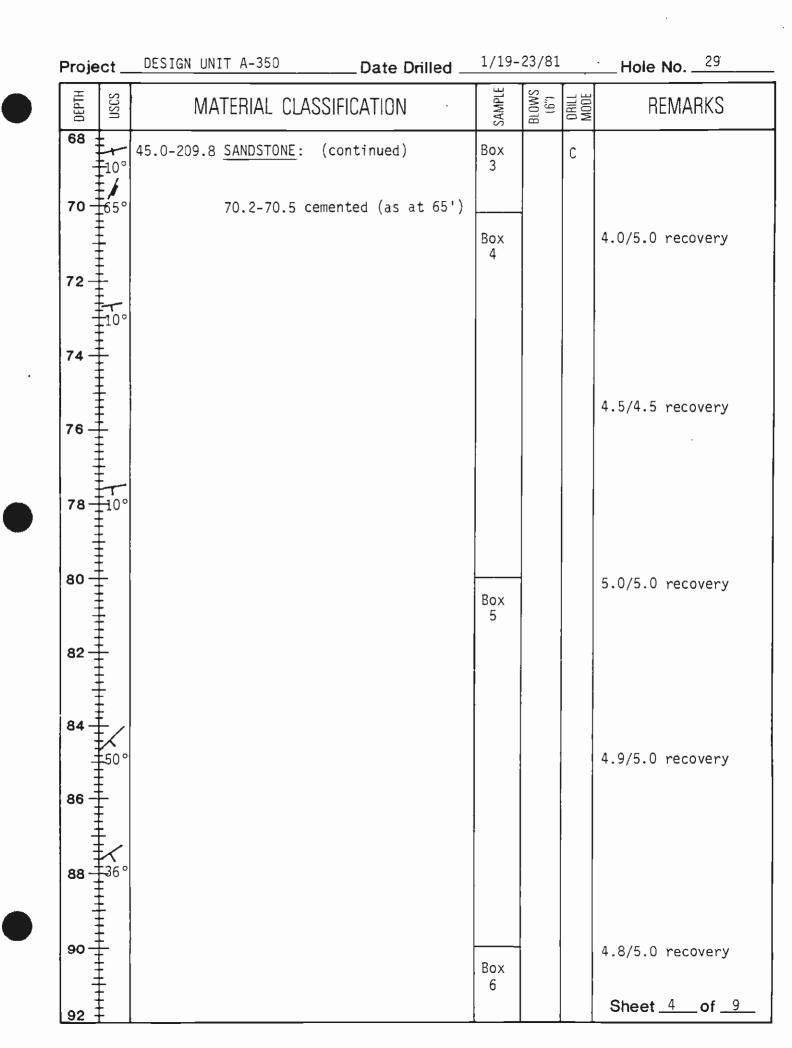
Hole Diameter 3", 6" Hammer Weight & Fall 140 lbs @ 15-18"

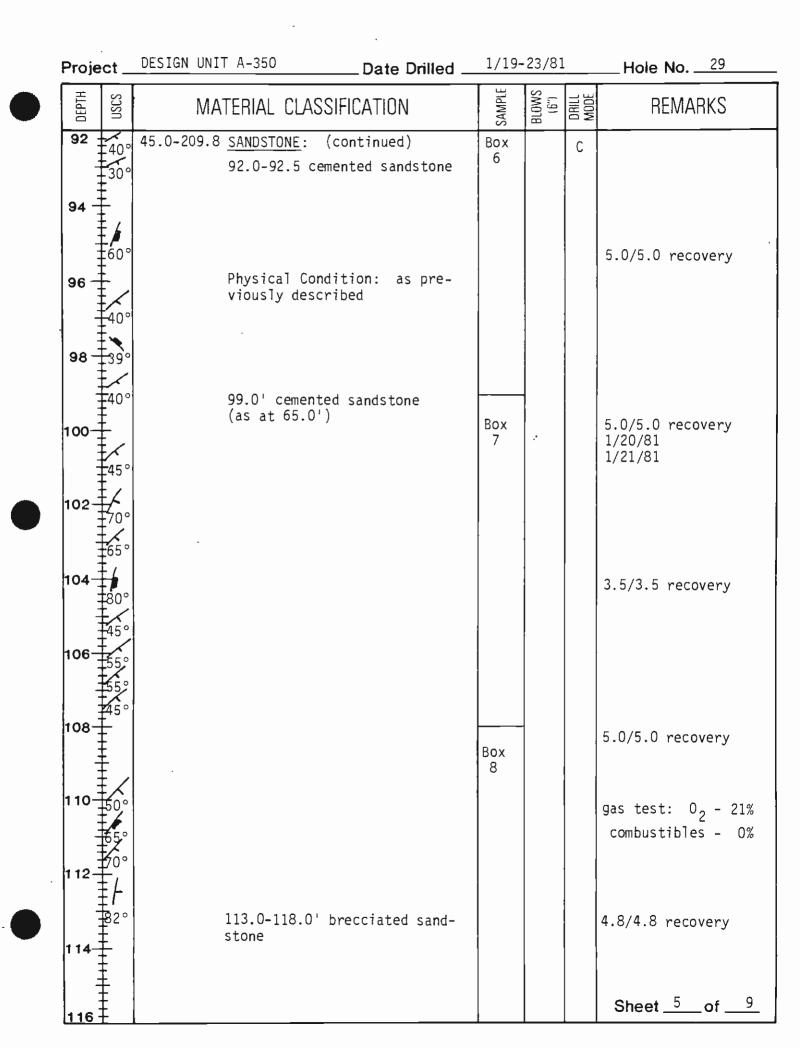
DEPTH	uscs	MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
2 4 8	M SM 	FILL 0.0-0.4 CONCRETE ALLUVIUM 0.4-16.5 <u>SILTY SAND</u> : moderate brown; trace of gravel; occasional thir silty clay lenses; moist; med- ium dense			AD RD	
10			J-1	6 10 10	SS RD	1.0/1.5 recovery
14	+ <del> </del> +++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++	14.5-15.0 gravel				rig chatter
18		16.5-20.5 <u>SANDY GRAVEL and COBBLES</u> : ligh brown and brownish gray; trace of fines; moist; dense			PB	rig chatter Sheet <u>1</u> of <u>9</u>

ΞÌ	1		T A-350			ΓE				_
DEPTH	USCS	MA	TERIAL CL	ASSIFICATION		SAMPLE	(, <u>9)</u> BLOWS		REMARKS	
20	GP	16.5-20.5	SANDY GRAV	EL and COBBLES	: (cont)			PB	no recovery	
1		WEATHERED								
22 -				<u>STONE</u> : mottled and streaks; r						
	ŧ		firm to ve		, , ,		5	SS	0.9/1.5 recovery	
			Physical C	ondition: mass	sive or	J-2	8 10			
4-			little fra	ctured; soft to	o fri-			RD		
	ŧ		deep weath	ess; friable s <sup>.</sup> ered	տերգնից					
ļ	ŧI									
6-	E									
	ŧ									
111	Ē									
8-	+									
111	Ē		29.0-29.6	cobbles or bou	lders					
-	ŧ							PB	cobble suched these	
0						1	•		cobble pushed throu clay	١Ŷ
111									no recovery	
111	ŧ									
2			-				7	SS	1.2/1.5 recovery	
	<b>†</b>					J-3	10		· · · · ·	
	‡						13_			
4								RD		
	Ŧ									
6	ŧ									
	ŧ	36.0-42.0		STONE/SILTSTON						
				ow brown and m sandy claysto						
8 1111	‡.'		with silts	tone interbeds						
1111	Ē			fracture zone						
11	ŧ,			ondition: clos fractured; fr						
0 - -	₽-		to low har	dness; weak to	mode-					
			rate stren weathering	gth; deep to m	oderate	Box		PB	2.0/2.0 recovery	
	<b>1</b> 55°					1				
2	<u>F/351</u>	120150	STITY CLAV	STONE: light	hrown			SS	1.5/1.5 recovery	
11	ŧ	+2.0-43.0		Sondition: mass		J-4	30	55	pocket penetrometer	
	Ē		little fra	ctured; soft;   eathered	ive or plastic:		45		3.5 tsf (broke apart Sheet 2 of9	t
4 -	<u>+</u>		moderate w	eathered		ROX I		PB		-

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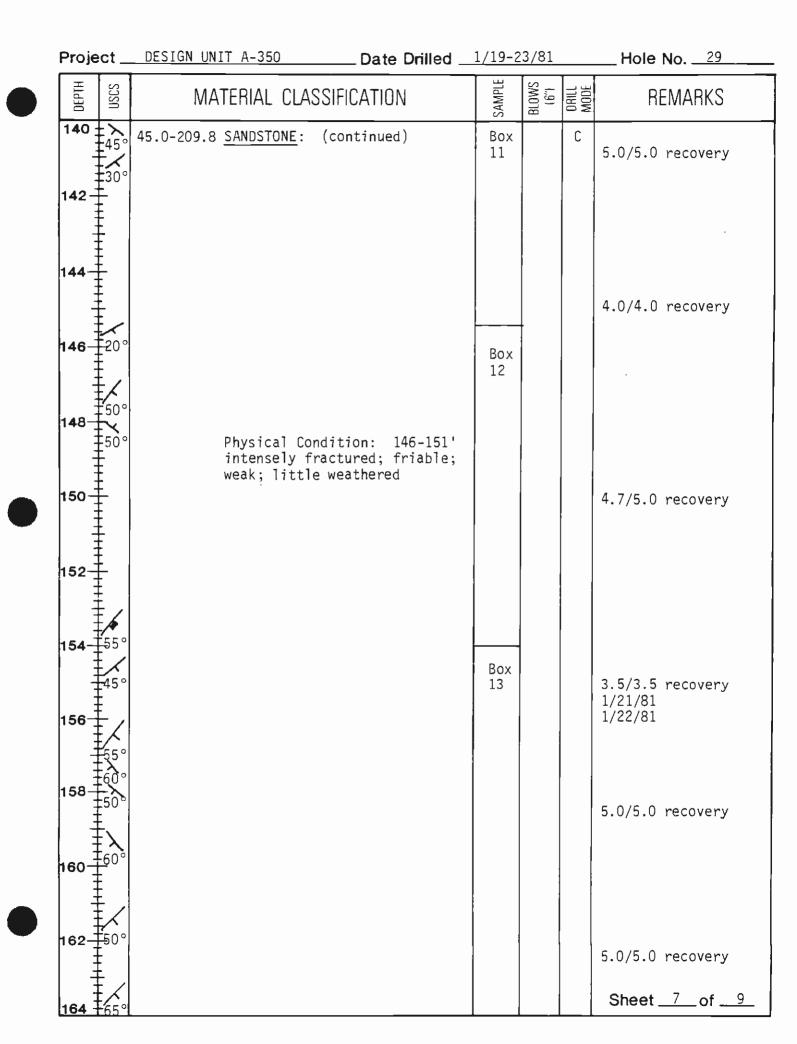
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DEPTH	USCS	MAT	erial Cla	ASSIFICATIO	)N	SAMPLE	BLOWS	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
44		42.0-45.0 45.0-209.8		YSTONE: (co	ontinued) e yellowish	Box 1		PB	2.1/2.1 recovery 1/19/81 1/20/81
<b>16</b>			brown and moderate with very	medium li yellowish i thin medi	ght gray; brown beds um light			RD	
8			beds; con	ey siltsto tains dark lusions; l	brown or-	Box 2		С	1.1/1.1 recovery
50   1   1   1	60°		fractured	; low hard moderate	: moderate ness; weak to little				
52			ium light black; oc stone bed	8 sandston gray and g curs as th s with ver lack silts	Jrayish in sand- y thin				4.9/4.9 recovery
54				interbeds					·
56									
58-						Box			2.8/5.0 recovery
- 60 -	15°	1		claystone	beds	вох 3			
32 -	10°								2.4/3.0 recovery
64 -									
				well cemer ; medium li					4.2/5.0 recovery
- 66 			66.0 cemer						4.0/5.0 recovery
- 68 -									Sheet <u>3</u> of <u>9</u>

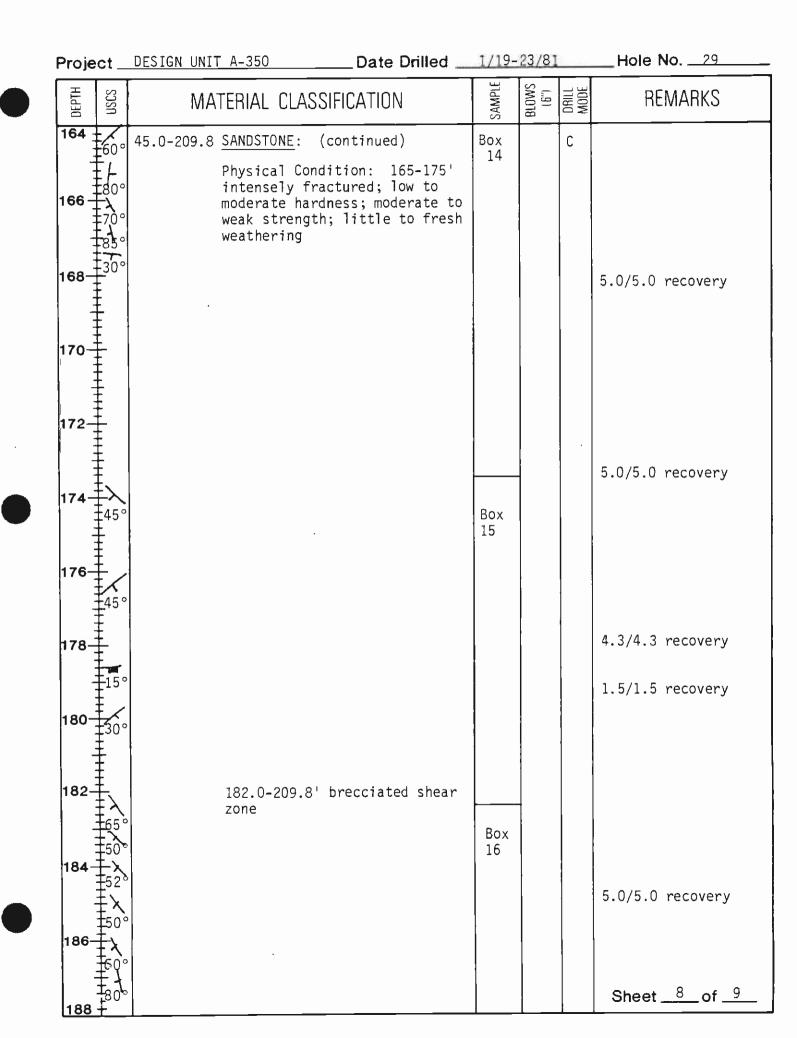


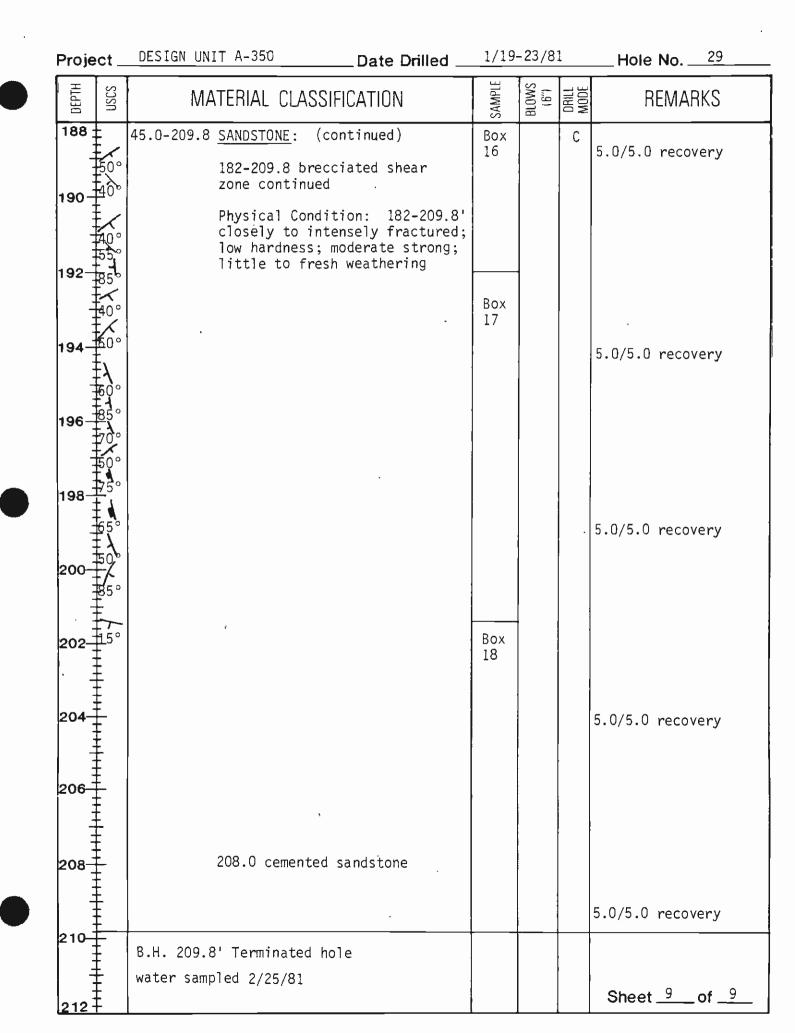


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DEPTH	3 MA	terial clas	SIFICATION	SAMPLE	(,,9) BLOWS	ORILL MODE	REMARKS
116 118 118	(	SANDSTONE:	(continued)	Box 8 Box 9		С	
120	✓	(as at 65.0) 120.0-123.5	slate: very hard;				5.0/5.0 recovery
122	 0°	claystone ir	iterbed .				2.6/3.2 recovery
124		123.5-132.2 with thin s	medium light gray late interbeds				2.0/2.0 recovery
126	/						
128 7	° 0 °	to intensely erate hard i	ndition: closely y fractured; mod- to hard; moderate tle weathered	Box 10			4.5/4.5 recovery
							3.0/3.0 recovery
132	09	132.2-209.8 50.0'	' sandstone as at				
134	5°						4.5/5.0 recovery
138-4	5°			Box 11			5.0/5.0 recovery
	0° • 5°						Sheet <u>6</u> of <u>9</u>

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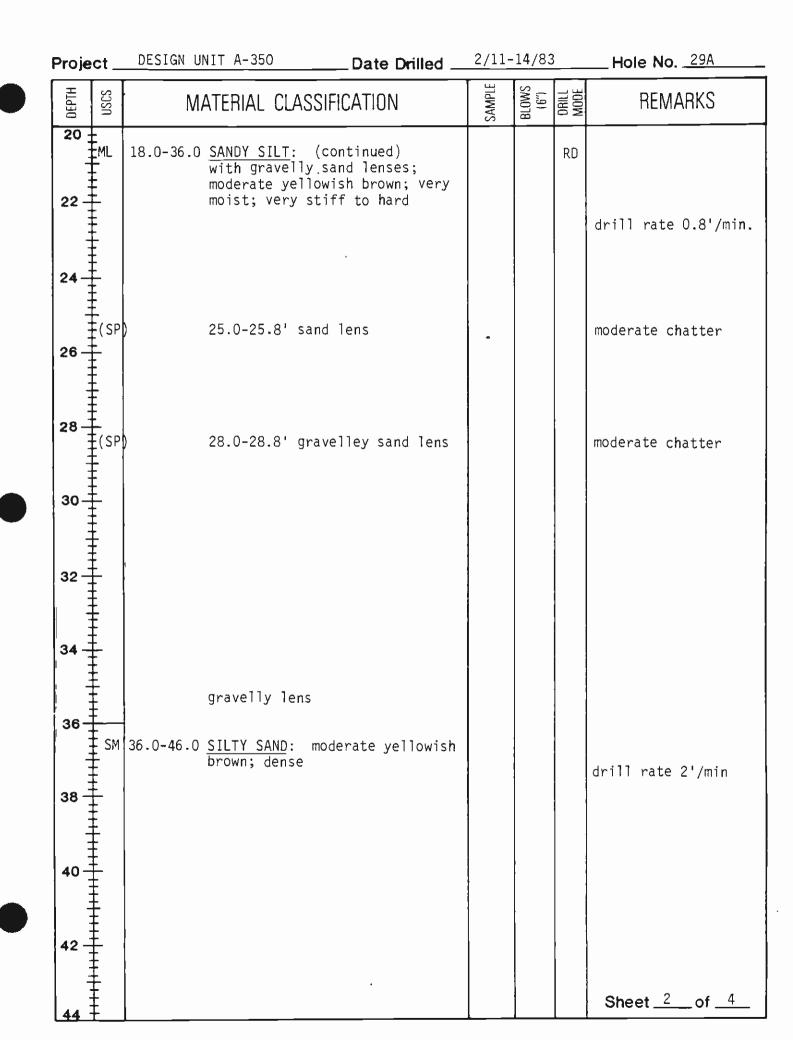


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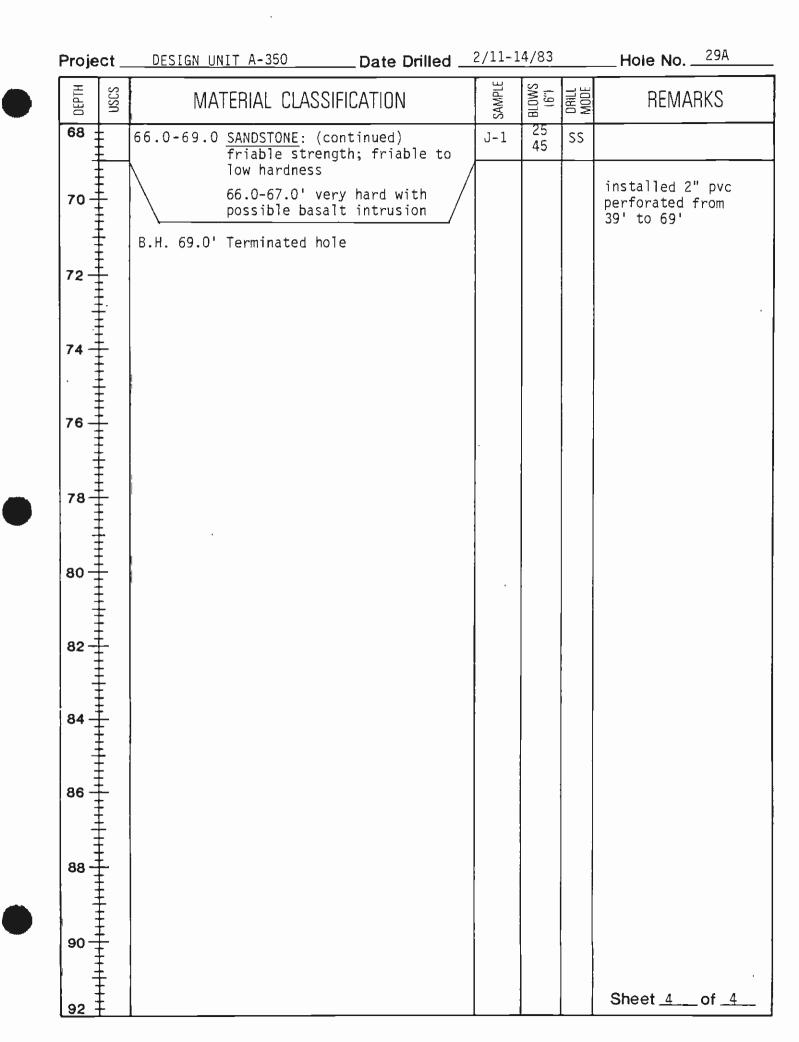


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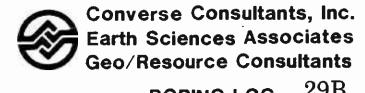
Proj:	DE	SIG <u>N UNIT</u> /	4-350	Date Drilled _	2/11	-14/83	<u> </u>		Ground Elev. 418'
Drill	Rig .	Maynew 10	000	Logged By _	<u>G. H</u>	albert			Total Depth
									0", 340 15 @ 24"
DEPTH	USCS	MA	ATERIAL CLA	SSIFICATION		SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
0	曰	0.0-0.5	A.C. PAVEMEN	<u>T</u>	•			C	
2-	H ML	FILL 0.5-4.0	CLAYEY SILT:	contains san	d .			RD	
4-									
-	GW	ALLUVIUM 4.0-18.0	SAND:	,					
6-			6.0-7.0' gra	velly sand lay	er				moderate chatter
8-									
10-			fine gravell	y sand					moderate to heavy chatter continuous light to moderate
12-			occasional s	iltysand lens					chatter
14-									drill rate: l'/min.
16-					•				
18-	ML	18.0-36.0		moderate yell stiff; very mo					
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Pr	oje	ct	DESIGN UNIT A-350 Date Drilled	_2/	/11-14	1/83		Hole No
	UEPIH	uscs	MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION		SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS
4	4	SM	36.0-46.0 SILTY SAND: (continued)				RD	
4	6	SW	46.0-60.0 <u>SAND</u> : contains fine gravel; trace of fines					
4	8 4							
5	0							drill rate 3'/min.
5	2							
5	<b>4</b> 4 4	(SP)	fine gravelly sand lens					
5	6	(SM) 	silty sand with gravel gravel lens					heavy chatter
5	8							
6	0 1 1 1 1 1	SM	60.0-65.0 <u>SILTY SAND/SILT</u> : moderate					
6	2		yellowish orange with dusky yellowish brown silt					
6	4							drill rate 0.4'/min
6	6 		TOPANGA FORMATION - BEDROCK 66.0-69.0 <u>SANDSTONE</u> : medium gray; fine with very thin darker gray sil	lt				
ι	- - - 8		layers; also dark yellowish orange weathering stains; jointed, otherwise massiv	/e;	C-1	_ <u>18</u> 20	DR	Sheet <u>3</u> of <u>4</u>

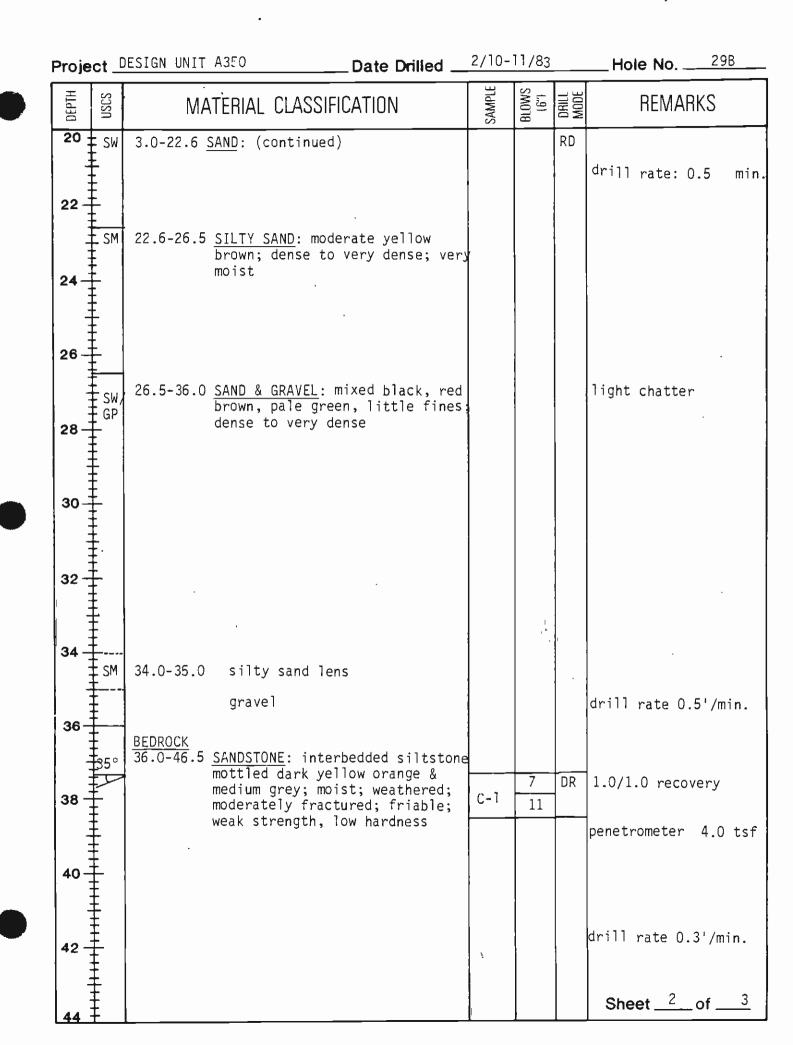


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Proj:	DE	SIGN <u>UNIT A350</u>	Date Drilled	2/10-	11/83			Ground Elev	421'
Drill F	Rig	Mayhew 1000	Logged By	G. Ha	lbert			Total Depth	47'
Hole	Dia	meter_4_7/8"	Hammer Weig	ght &		РТ 140	16,	30", C 3401b, 2	0"
DEPTH	NSCS	MATERIAL CLA	SSIFICATION		SAMPLE	(67) 8LOWS	DRILL MODE	REMARKS	S
0		0.0-0.5 A.C. PAVEMENT FILL					<u> </u>		
2		0.5-3.0 <u>CLAYEY SILT</u> : very stiff; lo	dark.yellowish w plasticity	browr	;		RD		
		ALLUVIUM							
4	SW	3.0-22.6 <u>SAND</u> : mixed brown, dense	white, black,	red,				I	. :
6									
8		occasional si	lty sand lense	S					
10-								light chatter	
12	SP	fine gravel						moderate chatte	r
14									
16-	GP	15.5-16.6 gra	vel layer					moderate chatter	
18								moderate to heav chatter	/y
20								Sheet <u>1</u> of	3



Project _	DESIGN UNIT A350	Date Drilled _	2/10-	11/83		Hole No. 298
DEPTH USCS	MATERIAL CLA	SSIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL	REMARKS
<b>44</b> <b>46</b>	36.0-46.5 <u>SANDSTONE</u> :	massive .	J-1	21 34 46	RD SS	1.5/1.5 recovery
48	H. 46.5 Terminated Hole	2				installed P.V.C. 2" diameter O-46' perforated from 26'to 46'
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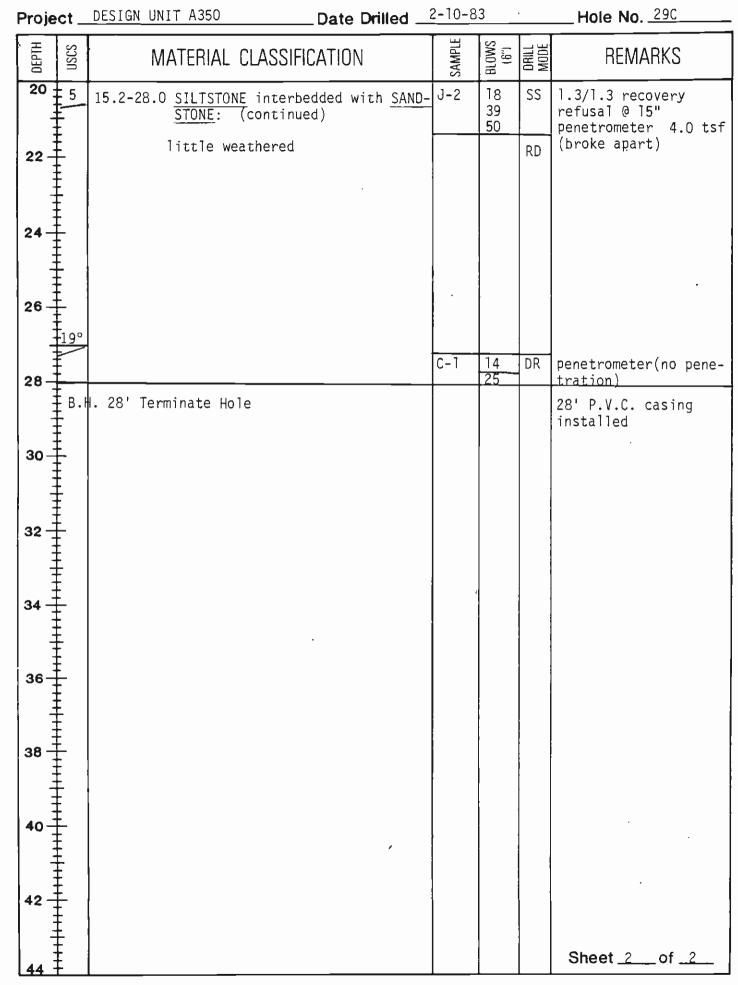
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BORING LOG 29C

Proj:	DF	SIGN UNIT A350 Date Drilled	83			Ground Elev. 451'				
Drill	Rig	Mayhew 1000 Logged By <u>G. Hal</u>	<u>be</u> rt			Total Depth 281				
Hole	Dia	meter <u>4 7/8</u> Hammer Weight &	Fall 🔮	SPT 14	<u>0 16</u>	., 30", C 3401b., 24"				
DEPTH	nscs	MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION	SAMPLE	BLOWS (6")	DRILL MODE	REMARKS				
0 2 - 4 -	ML	6" CONCRETE PAVEMENT FILL 0.5-5.0 <u>SANDY SILT</u> : moderate yellowish brown; stiff; moist			RD					
6	GW ML	ALLUVIUM 5.0-7.0 <u>SANDY SILT &amp; GRAVEL</u> : gravel and cobbles 7.0-15.2 <u>SANDY SILT</u>								
10- 12- 14-		greyish orange; very stiff to hard								
16- 18-	30°	TOPANGA FORMATION15.2-28BEDROCK SILTSTONE with interbeddedntSANDSTONE: mottled pale yellow orange; dark yellow; orange & medium grey; moist; moderately weathered; friable strength	J-1	12 23 30	SS	1.5/1.5 recovery				
20		19.0-19.4 cemented zone				moderate chatter @19' <b>Sheet</b> of				



Appendix B

**Geophysical Exploration** 

# APPENDIX B GEOPHYSICAL EXPLORATION

B.1 DOWNHOLE SURVEY

# B.1.1 <u>Summary</u>

Downhole shear wave velocity surveys were performed in Boring CEG-28 for Design Unit A350. Measurements were made at 5-foot intervals from the ground surface to depths of 190 feet. A description of the technique and a summary of the results are attached.

#### B.1.2 Field Procedure

Shearing energy was generated by using a sledge hammer source on the ends of a 4-by-6-inch timber positioned under the tires of a station wagon, tangential to the borehole. A 12-channel signal enhancement seismograph (Geometrics Model ES1210) allowed the summing of several blows in one direction when necessary to increase the signal-to-noise ratio. Shear waves were identified by recording wave arrivals with opposite first motions on adjacent channels of the seismograph.

# B.1.3 Data Analysis

For the purpose of illustration, typical wave arrival records from a downhole geophysical survey are reproduced in Figure B-1. The timing line shows a 20 millisecond (MS) break at the end of the record, indicating that each vertical line is 10 MS. The time of the first arrivals of compressional shear energy is indicated by P and S, respectively. Wave arrival records similar to Figure B-1 were analyzed to estimate wave travel times and velocities for CEG-28.

#### B.1.4 Discussion of Results

Estimated velocity structures are summarized in Table B-1. Velocity estimates are based on selection of linear portions of the downhole arrival time curves (see Figures B-2).

The error analysis performed for these surveys involved a least squares fit of these data by estimating the mean of the slope  $(\bar{V})$  in Table B-1 and the standard deviation of this estimate of the slope. This estimate of the standard deviation was combined with an estimate of the overall accuracy to produce the best estimated velocity (V\*). Vp\* are the values to be used for studies of the response of these sites. N is the number of data points used for the straight line fit for each velocity estimate.

In general, the near-surface shear wave velocity was found to be approximately 1000 feet per second. To depths of about 190 feet, shear wave velocity estimates generally increased to 1400 feet per second.

#### B.2 CROSSHOLE SURVEY

#### B.2.1 <u>Summary</u>

Crosshole measurements for the determination of seismic wave velocities were performed also in Boring CEG-28. The crosshole technique for determining

shear wave velocities of in-situ materials was utilized in a three-borehole array. The array consisted of boring CEG-28 and two additional holes drilled approximately 15 feet away. All boreholes were drilled to a depth of 100 feet. Compressional wave and shear wave velocities are presented in Table B-2.

# B.2.2 Field Procedure

The shear wave hammer is placed in an end hole of the array, and vertical geophones are placed in the remaining two boreholes. The shear wave generating hammer and the two geophones are lowered to the same depth in all boreholes. The hammer is coupled to the wall of the hole by means of hydraulic jacks, and the geophones are coupled by means of expanding heavy rubber balloons which protrude from one side of the geophone housings. The hammer is then used to create vertically polarized shear waves with either an up or down first motion. A 12-channel signal enhancement seismograph with oscilloscope and electrostatic paper camera is used as a signal storage device. Seismic wave velocity determinations were made at 5-foot intervals from 10 feet below ground surface to a depth of 100 feet (see Figures B-3 and B-4).

#### B.2.3 Data Analysis

For the data analysis actual crosshole distances were determined to within  $\pm 0.01$  feet. These distances were computed between each of the three boreholes at the elevations of shear measurements. From the crosshole records (seismograms), the travel times for both compressional and shear wave arrivals at each borehole and at each depth were measured. Shear wave arrivals were identified by the reversed first motion on the seismograms. Compression and shear wave estimates were based on the wave arrival records.

# B.2.4 <u>Discussion of Results</u>

The shear wave velocity (V<sub>S</sub>) is equal to the difference in travel path distance from the shear source to each geophone divided by the difference in shear wave arrival times. The results of the compressional and shear wave velocity analyses are shown in Table B-2. It should be noted that compression wave velocities below the ground water table may be masked by the compression wave response of the water (V<sub>c</sub> = 5000 fps) particularly in highly porous materials.



BORING	DEPTH		COMP	RESSIO	NAL WA	VE		:	5HEAR	WAVE	
No.	(ft)	- Vp	σp	Ep	Np	Vp*	- Vs	σs	Es	Ns	Vs*
28	15- 55	1579	22	79	9	1580±100	943	87	47	8	940±130
	55- 85	2233	134	112	7	2230±250	1138	200	57	7	 1140±260
	85-135	5169	255	258	11	5170±510	1448	39	72	11	 1450±110
	135-190	6788	386	339	11	6790±420	1380	114	69	11	1380±180

TABLE B-1 DOWNHOLE VELOCITIES

 $\bar{V}p$  = mean estimate of compressional wave velocity.

 $\overline{V}s$  = mean estimate of shear wave velocity.

Op = standard deviation of estimated compressional wave velocity.

 $\sigma s$  = standard deviation of estimated shear wave velocity.

Ep = estimated accuracy of compressional survey.

Es = estimated accuracy of shear survey.

Np = number of points used for straight line fit of compressional wave.

 $V_{p*}$  = overall accuracy of compressional wave velocity estimate.

Vs\* = overall accuracy of shear wave velocity estimate.

Ns = number of points used for straight line fit of shear wave velocity data.

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BORING	DEPTH		COMP	RESSIO	NAL WA	VE		;	SHEAR	WAVE	
No.	(ft)	_Vp_	σp	<u>Ep</u>	Np	Vp*	ν̈́s	٥s	Es	Ns	Vs*
28	10						765	17	38	8	77 <b>0±6</b> 0
	15	3000	—		_	3000±300	834	11	42	12	830±50
	20	2500	—		_	2500±250	749	18	37	8	750±60
	25	•			_		925	44	46	16	930±90
	30	2220			_	2000±200	973	28	49	16	970±80
	35	2300		_	_	2300±200	993	74	50	16	990±120
	40			_	-		1039	76	52	12	1040±130
	45	2140			_	2100±200	1036	36	52	10	1040±90
	50	1880			_	1900±200	1102	46	55	12	1100±100
	55	2140			-	2100±200	1123	16	56	16	1120±70
	60	2000			_	2000±200	1097	8	55	16	1100±60
	65	2100		—	_	2100±200	1018	8	51	16	1020±60
	70	2000			_	2000±200	1274	61	64	12	1270±130
	75	1800		_	_	1800±200	1222	38	61	16	1200±100
	80	1800		_	_	1800±200	1477	114	74	16	1480±190
	85	2300	_	_	<u> </u>	2300±200	1863	106	93	16	1860±200
	90	6000			_	6000±600	1712	476	86	16	1712±560
	95	7500				7500±750	1550	204	77	4	1550±280
	97	7500			_	 7500±750	1730	79	86	12	1710±170

TABLE B-2 CROSSHOLE VELOCITIES

 $\bar{V}p$  = mean estimate of compressional wave velocity.

 $\bar{V}s$  = mean estimate of shear wave velocity.

 $\sigma_p$  = standard deviation of estimated compressional wave velocity.

 $\sigma$ s = standard deviation of estimated shear wave velocity.

Ep = estimated accuracy of compressional survey.

Es = estimated accuracy of shear survey.

Np = number of points used for straight line fit of compressional wave.

Vp\* = overall accuracy of compressional wave velocity estimate.

Vs\* = overall accuracy of shear wave velocity estimate.

Ns = number of points used for straight line fit of shear wave velocity data.

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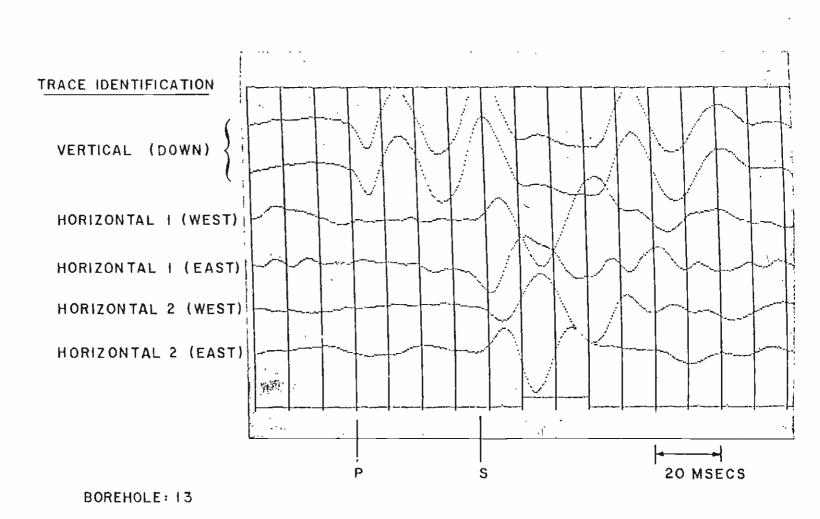
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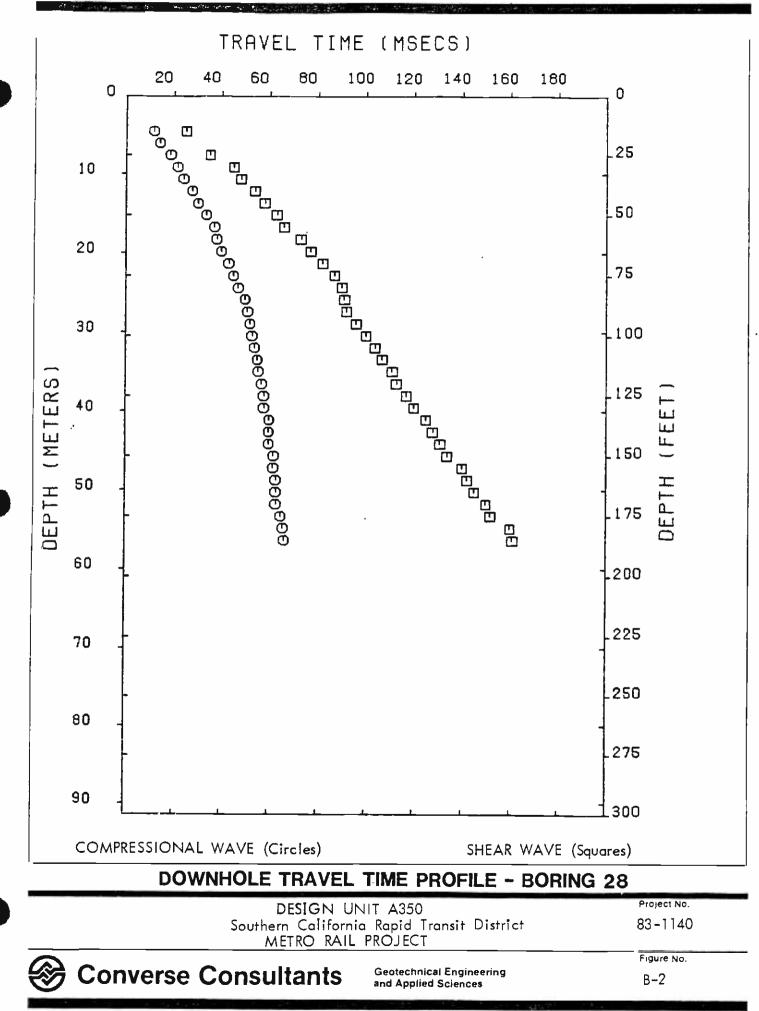
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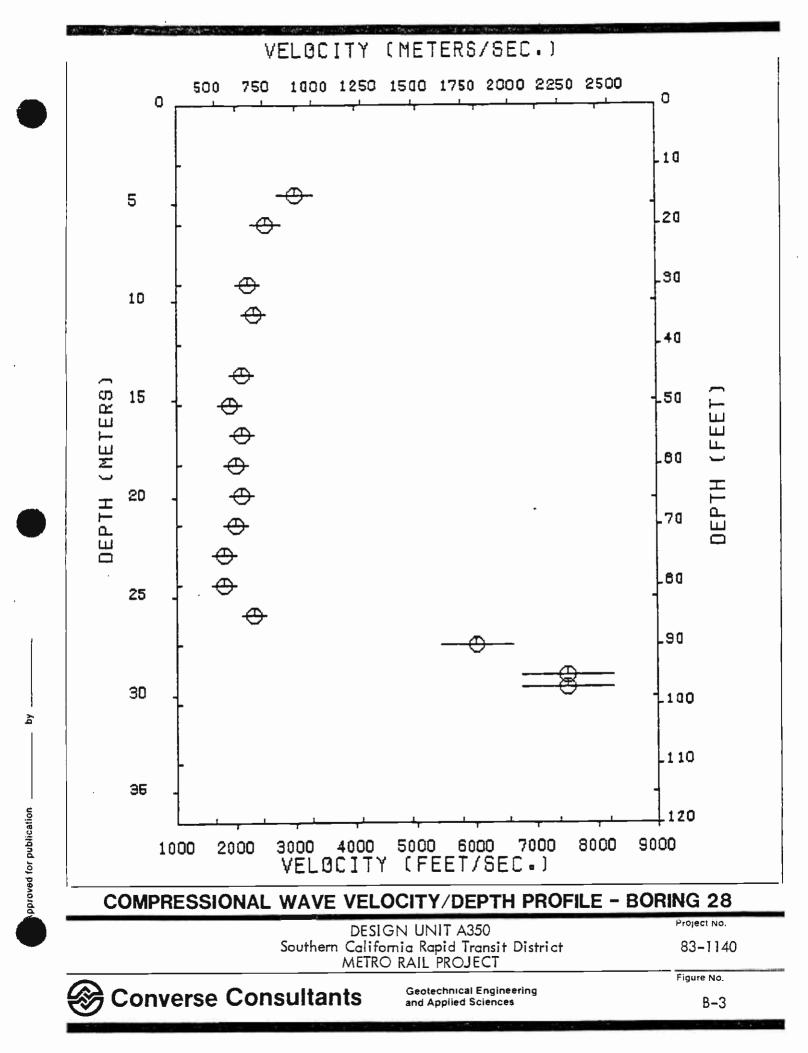
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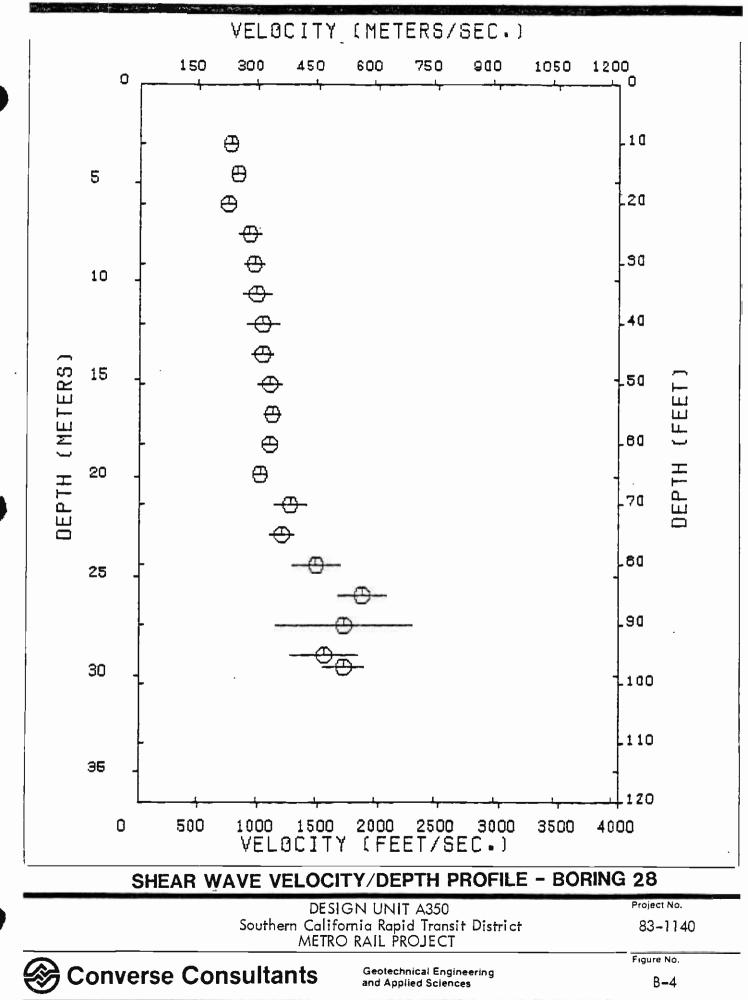


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# Appendix C

# **Geotechnical Laboratory Testing**

# APPENDIX C GEOTECHNICAL LABORATORY TESTING

C.1 INTRODUCTION

This appendix presents laboratory geotechnical tests performed on selected soil and bedrock samples obtained from the borings drilled at the Hollywood/ Cahuenga Station site.

The soil tests performed may be classified into two broad categories:

- Index or identification tests which included visual classification, grain-size distribution, Atterberg Limits, moisture content, and unit weight testing;
- \* Engineering properties testing which included unconfined compression, triaxial compression, direct shear, consolidation, permeability, and resonant column.

The laboratory test data from the present investigation are presented in Table C-1, while data from the 1981 geotechnical investigation are presented in Table C-2. The geologic units listed in these tables are described in Section 5.0 of the report. Figures C-1 through C-11 summarize strength and modulus data for fine-grained alluvium, coarse-grained alluvium, and bedrock at this site.

#### C.2 INDEX AND IDENTIFICATION

#### C.2.1 Visual Classification

Field classification was verified in the laboratory by visual examination in accordance with the unified Soil Classification System and ASTM D-2488-69 test method. When necessary to substantiate visual classifications, tests were conducted in accordance with the ASTM D-2478-69 test method.

# C.2.2 <u>Grain-Size Distribution</u>

Grain-size distribution tests were performed on representative samples of the geologic units to assist in the soils classification and to correlate test data between various samples. Sieve analyses were performed on that portion of the sample retained on the No. 200 sieve in accordance with ASTM D-422-63 test method. Combined sieve and hydrometer analyses were performed on selected samples which had a significant percentage of soil particles passing the No. 200 sieve. Results of these analyses are presented in the form of grain-size distribution or gradation curves on Figures C-12 through C-19.

It should be noted that the grain-size distribution tests were performed on samples secured with 2.42- and 2.87-inch ID samplers. Thus, material larger than those dimensions may be present in the natural deposits although not indicated on the gradation curves.



# C.2.3 Atterberg Limits

Atterberg Limit Tests were performed on selected soil samples to evaluate their plasticity and to aid in their classification. The testing procedure was in accordance with ASTM D-423-66 and D-424-59 test methods. Test results are presented on Figures C-20 and 21, and Tables C-1 and C-2.

#### C.2.4 Moisture Content

Moisture content determinations were performed on selected soil samples to assist in their classification and to evaluate ground water location. The testing procedure was the ASTM D-2261 test method. Test results are presented on Tables C-1 and C-2.

#### C.2.5 Unit Weight

Unit weight determinations were performed on selected undisturbed soil samples to assist in their classification and in the selection of samples for engineering properties testing. Samples were generally the same as those selected for moisture content determinations.

The test procedure entailed measuring specimen dimensions with a precision ruler or micrometer. Weights of the sample were than determined at natural moisture content. Total unit weight was computed directly from data obtained from the two previous steps. Dry density was calculated from the moisture content found in Section C.2.4 and the total unit weight. Results of the unit weight tests are presented as dry densities on Tables C-1 and C-2.

#### C.2.6 Specific Gravity and Porosity

A determination of soil particle specific gravity of several representative soil and rock samples was made to allow determination of the soil/rock porosity. Specific gravity was determined in accordance with the ASTM D-854 test method. Soil porosity was determined based on the specific gravity and the dry unit density of the material. Results of these determinations are presented in Table C-1.

# C.3 ENGINEERING PROPERTIES: STATIC

# C.3.1 Unconfined Compression

Unconfined compression tests were performed on selected samples of cohesive soils and bedrock from the test borings for the purpose of evaluating the undrained, unconfined shear strength of the various fine-grained geologic units. The tests were performed in accordance with the ASTM D-2166 test method. Results of the unconfined compression tests are presented on Tables C-1 and C-2.

# C.3.2 <u>Triaxial</u> Compression

Consolidated undrained triaxial compression tests were performed on selected undisturbed soil samples. The tests were conducted in the following manner:

# C.3.2.1 Consolidated Undrained (CU) Tests

- The undisturbed test specimen was trimmed to a length to diameter ratio of approximately 2.0.
- <sup>°</sup> The specimen was then covered with a rubber membrane and placed in the triaxial cell.
- \* The triaxial cell was filled with water are pressurized, and the specimen was saturated using back-pressure.
- <sup>°</sup> When saturation was complete, the specimen was consolidated at the desired effective confining pressure.
- <sup>°</sup> After consolidation, an axial load was applied at a controlled rate of strain. In the case of the undrained test, flow of water from the specimen was not permitted, and the resulting pore water pressure change was measured.
- \* The specimen was then sheared to failure or until a maximum strain of 15% to 20% was reached.

Some of the tests were performed as progressive tests. The procedure was the same as above except that, when the soil specimen approached but did not reach failure (usually to peak effective stress ratio), the axial load was removed and the specimen was consolidated at a higher confining pressure. The axial load was again applied at a constant rate of strain, and the load was removed before the specimen failed. This process was repeated a third time at a still higher confining pressure, and the sample was loaded until failure occurred.

Results of the triaxial compression tests are presented on Figures C-22 through C-27.

#### C.3.3 Direct Shear

Direct shear tests were performed on selected undisturbed soil samples using a constant strain rate direct shear machine.

Each test specimen was trimmed, soaked and placed in the shear machine, a specified normal load was applied, and the specimen was sheared until a maximum shear strength was developed. Fine-grained samples were allowed to consolidate prior to shearing. The maximum developed shear strengths are summarized on Tables C-1 and C-2.

Progressive direct shear tests were performed on selected undisturbed samples of coarse-grained material. After the soil specimen had developed maximum shear resistance under the first normal load, the normal load was removed and the specimen was pushed back to its original undeformed configuration. A new normal load was then applied, and the specimen was sheared a second time. This process was repeated for several different normal loads. Results of the progressive direct shear tests are summarized on Tables C-1 and C-2.

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# C.3.4 Consolidation

Consolidation tests were performed on selected undisturbed soil samples placed in 1 inch high by 2.42-inch diameter brass rings, or 3-inch diameter Shelby tubes trimmed to a 2.42-inch diameter.

Apparatus used for the consolidation test is designed to receive the 1 inch high brass rings directly. Porous stones were placed in contact with both sides of the specimens to permit ready addition or release of water. Loads were applied to the test specimens in several increments, and the resulting settlements recorded.

Results of consolidation tests on the undisturbed samples are presented on Figures C-28 through C-32.

#### C.3.5 Permeability

Permeability tests were performed on undisturbed specimens selected for testing, or in conjunction with the static and cyclic triaxial tests, using the same selected undisturbed samples of soil. Permeability was measured during back-pressure saturation by applying a differential pressure to the ends of the sample and measuring the resulting flow. Results of the tests are tabulated on Tables C-1 and C-2.

#### C.4 ENGINEERING PROPERTIES: DYNAMIC

#### C.4.1 Resonant Column

The resonant column test determines the shear modulus and damping of soil specimens at shear strain values of approximately  $10^{-6}$  to  $10^{-4}$  inches per inch. A solid cylindrical soil specimen is encased in a thin membrane, placed in a pressure cell and subjected to the desired ambient stress conditions. The specimen is caused to vibrate at resonance in torsion by fixing one end and applying sinusoidally varying torque to the free end. The response of the soil specimen is measured using an accelerometer coupled to the free end. Shear modulus and damping values are calculated from the response data.

#### C.4.1.1 Sample Preparation and Handling

The test apparatus used for this procedure accepts a 1.4-inch-diameter by approximately 3.5-inch-length specimen. Undisturbed samples were prepared by trimming the 1.4-inch-diameter samples from the larger Shelby, Pitcher or Converse ring samples.

#### C.4.1.2 Test Conditions and Parameters

The resonant column test is considered non-destructive because the shear strain amplitudes are relatively small. Therefore, a single specimen may be used for several tests. For this test program, several of the specimens were tested at confining pressures,  $(\sigma_{3c})$ , varying from 15 to 50 psi. Although the apparatus is capable of applying anisotropic consolidation stresses, specimens for this program were consolidated isotropically. The specimens were tested

beginning at the lower confining pressures and progressing to the higher confining pressures. At each confining pressure, shear modulus and damping data were obtained at several different values of shear strain within the limiting range of the test apparatus. Damping data were obtained for steady state vibration conditions. A summary of pertinent resonant column test data is presented on Figures C-33 and C-34.

# C.4.1.3 Apparatus

The device used in this test program was designed and built by Soil Dynamics Instruments, Inc, of Lexington, Kentucky, and is sometimes referred to as a Hardin Oscillator, after Dr. B.O. Hardin, the designer. Essentially, it consists of the main component groups listed below.

Pressure Cell and Frame: The unit is made of aluminum with a transparent plexiglass cylinder designed for maximum operating pressures of approximately 150 psi. The bottom specimen end cap is brass and affixed to the base of the unit.

Pressure lines and fittings are provided to pressurize the cell and for back pressure or sample drainage, if desired. A pneumatic device is also provided to support the weight of the excitation device during specimen setup.

- Excitation Device: This mechanism consists of a torque-producing apparatus mounted on the underside of a hollow stainless steel cylinder. Its mass is very large in comparison to the test specimen. The driving torque is produced by a system of electromagnetic coils attached to the cylinder and permanent magnets coupled to the top specimen load cap through a system of restoring springs. The device is driven by an audio oscillator having a range of approximately 20 Hz to 40 kHz. Because the device is designed to have a large mass in comparison to the specimen, a lever and weight system supports the weight of the device during the test. A strain gauge load cell is built into the excitation device to monitor the axial load applied to the specimen. The driving torque is determined by measuring the voltage drop across a precision resistor in series with the electromagnetic coils.
- <sup>o</sup> Accelerometer and Charge Amplifier: A Columbia Research Labs accelerometer is attached to the excitation device. The accelerometer output is amplified by a charge amplifier, and the system is calibrated to produce output voltage in proportion to the amplitude of angular displacement of the excitation device, and thus of the specimen. Shear strains are calculated from the amplitude of angular displacement.
- Readout Devices: Output voltages produced by the accelerometer, load cell-bridge system, and driving torque are recorded by digital multimeter. Resonance of the specimen is determined using a cathode ray oscilloscope connected to display the Lissajous pattern.



# C.4.1.4 Data Reduction

Data obtained from the resonant column tests were reduced in accordance with the ASTM "Suggested Methods of Test for Shear Modulus and Damping of Soils by the Resonant Column"\* using a proprietary computer program developed by Converse Consultants, Inc. Graphs of the test results are presented on Figures C-33 and C-34.

# C.4.2 Dynamic Triaxial Compression

This test evolved from the static triaxial procedure and is designed to evaluate the stress-strain properties of the soils under dynamic loading conditions. This test differs from the cyclic triaxial test in that it is designed to obtain dynamic stress-strain data at various strain levels, while the cyclic test measures deformation and liquefaction susceptibility at a given level of cyclic stress. Shear strain data is obtained generally in the range of  $10^{-4}$  to  $10^{-2}$  inch/inch.

- C.4.2.1 <u>Sample Preparation and Handling</u>: These tests were performed on undisturbed cylindrical samples obtained from rotary borings using a sampler lined with either brass rings or Shelby tubes. Samples from the brass rings were 2.42 inches in diameter by 5 inches in length; those from the Shelby tubes were 2.87 inches in diameter by 6 inches in length. The samples were extruded, weighed and placed in the test cell.
- C.4.2.2 <u>Test Conditions and Parameters</u>: Test conditions and parameters may vary in the dynamic triaxial test. The procedures followed for this project were:
  - <sup>°</sup> Stress controlled: After specimen preparation, the specimens were loaded cyclically at several levels of cyclic stress. Generally, one or two cycles of a relatively low stress were applied, the specimen was reconsolidated and loaded again for one or two additional cycles at a slightly higher stress level. This procedure was repeated until the resulting strain levels became large enough to cause significant permanent strain, precluding further satisfactory data (strain of about  $10^{-2}$  inch/inch or until the maximum cycle stress level possible with the procedure was reached, corresponding to  $\sigma_{cyclic}/2\sigma_{3c} =$ 0.5.
  - Saturation: The specimens were artificially saturated using flushing and back pressure techniques. Typical back pressures of 60 to 100 psi were required to saturate the specimens. The degree of saturation was measured using Skempton's B parameter,  $\Delta u/\Delta\sigma_{3c}$ . A minimum value of B = 0.95 was obtained for all test specimens which were saturated.

<sup>\*</sup>ASTM Special Technical Publication 479.

A few of the test specimens were tested in their in situ moisture condition, without artificial saturation, in order to evaluate the stress-strain properties of unsaturated samples. The tests which were not saturated are identified on the figures.

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- <sup>°</sup> Consolidation: Specimens were allowed to consolidate under the specified static ambient stress levels. Consolidation was monitored either by measuring specimen volume changes or by closing the drainage lines and verifying that buildup of pore pressures did not occur. A consolidation ratio ( $K_c = \sigma_{1c}/\sigma_{3c}$ ) of 1.0 was used for this program.
- Waveform and Frequency: A sinusoidal waveform at a frequency of 0.5Hz was used for this test program.
- C.4.2.3 <u>Apparatus</u>: The apparatus described below was used for this test. In addition, for the dynamic triaxial tests, an x-y flatbed recorder was utilized to record the hysteretic stress stain curve for each load cycle.

The pneumatic loading system used for these tests was custom-designed and built for Converse Consultants. The device consists of the four main component groups described below.

- <sup>°</sup> Triaxial Chambers and Cyclic Loading Device: The triaxial chambers are comprised of stainless steel and aluminum cells designed for operating pressures up to 400 psi. (Pressures of up to 160 psi were used for this project.) A pneumatic, doubleacting piston, capable of applying both static and cyclic loads, is mounted above the triaxial chamber and connected to the specimen load cap by a low-inertia stainless steel rod. The rod passes through the top of the chamber and is held in place by low friction bushings and pressure seals.
- <sup>°</sup> Control Console: This unit contains the various pressure regulators and reservoir systems for controlling cell pressure, back pressures, and sample saturation and drainage. The controls on the console regulate the wave form, frequency, and magnitude of the static and cyclic axial loads.
- <sup>o</sup> Transducer System and Signal Conditioners: The electronic transducers produce electrical voltages in proportion to the key parameters being measured during the test. Parameters monitored and transducer type employed for this program are:

PARAMETER MONITORED	TRANSDUCER TYPE
Axial displacement	<ul> <li>Linear variable differential transformers (LVDT's) mounted internally to the specimen load caps</li> </ul>
Soil pore water pressure	<ul> <li>Unbonded wire resistance strain-gauge-type transducers mounted external to the chamber on sample drainage lines</li> </ul>
Axial load	<ul> <li>Bonded resistance strain-gauge-type load cell mounted between double-acting piston and rod connected to specimen load cap</li> </ul>

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Signal conditioners such as power supplies and variable gain amplifiers are used to excite the transducers and amplify the signals to recordable levels.

- Recording Devices: These include (a) a 4-channel continuous strip chart recorder, thermal pens and heat-sensitive paper, frequency response adequate for frequencies normally employed in cyclic triaxial testing, and (b) a cathode ray oscilloscope.
- C.4.2.4 <u>Data Reduction</u>: The following methods and definitions were employed in the reduction of test data from the dynamic triaxial tests.
  - Axial stress: Given in terms of axial load and the unconsolidated specimen crosssectional area.
  - ° Axial strain: Given in terms of the consolidated specimen length.
  - <sup>°</sup> Dynamic axial strain: The peak-to-peak axial strain for any given loading cycle.
  - <sup>°</sup> Shear modulus and shear strain conversion: Axial stress, axial strain and Young's modulus, E, were converted to equivalent shear stress, shear strain and shear modulus, G, using a Poisson's ratio of 0.5 (undrained, zero volume change condition) for tests on saturated samples, and an assumed Poisson's ratio of 0.40 for tests on saturated specimens tested at their in situ moisture contents. Shear strain values are the strains on a plane located at 45° to the principal stress plane, which has been shown to be the plane of maximum shear strain during triaxial loading.
  - <sup>o</sup> Modulus: Shear modulus values are defined as the equivalent linear modulus corresponding to the straight line connecting the end points of the hysteresis loop of each loading cycle.
  - <sup>°</sup> Shear strain: Shear strain values given are the maximum shear strains between the end points of the hysteresis loop for a given cycle. The maximum shear strain is calculated according to the equations of solid body mechanics as 1.5 x the maximum axial strain.

The Dynamic Triaxial test results are shown on Figures C-35 and C-36.



BORING No.	SAMPLE NO.	DEPTH (++)	VISUAL CLASSIFICATION	CEOLOGIC UNIT	DRY DENSITY (pcf)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	T ATTERBERG LIMITS	kv, COEFFICIENT OF PfKHEABILLITY (cm/sec) (Confining Pressure, psi)	UNATIONE INED COMPRESSIVE STRUNGTH (ksf)	DIRECT S STRENGTI ENVELOPI Ø, deg	1	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	POROSITY (n)	SIEVE ANALYSIS (Quantity)	HYDROMETER ANALYSIS (Quantity)	DEDOM TER	TRIAXIAL COMPRESSION (Stages)
28-1	1	2,0	Silty Sand	A	102	11		<u> </u>				2.68	38.9				
	2	9.0	Sand	<u>A</u>	103	7				36.5	0.21						
	3	14,5	Silty Sand	<u>A</u>	100	17	<u></u>					2.70	40,9				
	4	24.5	Sand	A	107	12				29.4	0.14						
	5	29.0	-Disturbed-	-	*										<u>_</u>	—	
	6	34,5	Sand	A	106	13		· ·						·			
	7	39.0	Sand	Ā	11D	10		1.9x10 <sup>-3</sup>		35.0	0.20	2.68	34.3	<u> </u>			
	8	44.5	Sand	A	113	11											
	9	49.0	Clayey Silt	A	104	23				15.0	0.61						
	10	59.0	Gravely Sand	A	123	10		1.8x10 <sup>-3</sup>					<u> </u>			_	
	11	64.5	Clayey Silt	Ā	111	16										_	
	12	71.0	Sandy Siltstone	c	110	20	<u> </u>	1.2x10 <sup>-5</sup>									
	13	78.5	Sandy Siltstone	c	122	16			1.42			2.71	27.9				
	14	86.5	Sandy Siltstone	c	112	17								X	<u>x</u>		X(3)
,	15	93.5	Sandy Siltstone	c	122	15					<u> </u>		<u>_</u>			x	
	16	99.5	Sandy Siltstone	c	115	17	<u> </u>		3.06					X(2)	X(2)		
28-2	1	3.0	Sand	A	109	6											
	2	7.0	Sand	Ā	105	13				33.0	0.35		<u></u>	<u> </u>		<u>x</u>	

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BURINC NJ.	SAMPLE No.	DEPTH (ft)	VISUAL CLASSIFICATION	CEOLOGIC UNIT	DRY DENSITY (pcf)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	T ATTERBERG LIMITS		Kv, COEFFICIENT OF PERMEABILITY (cm/sec) (Cunfining Pressure, psi)	UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (kst)	DIRECT S STRENGTI ENVELOPI	1	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	POROSITY (n)	SIEVE ANALYSIS (Quantity)	HYDROMETER ANALYS'S (Quantity)	OF DUME LER	TRIAXIAL CUMPRESSION (Stages)
28-2	3	13.0	Sand	Α	113	14					32.0	0.45						
	4	18.0	Silty Sand	A	111	12						<del></del>						
	5	23.0	Clayey Sand	A	103	18	25	6							x	x		X(2)
	6	28.0	Clayey Sand	Ā	100	16				1.5								
	7	33.0	Clayey Sand	A	97	24												
	8	38.0	Clayey Sand	Ā	110	16									<u> </u>		—	
	9	43.0	Sand	A	122	14												
	10	48.0	Clayey Sand	A	106	17				0.7								
	11	53.0	Silty Clay	Ā	97	27	36	15									x	
	12	58.0	Sand	A	99	17									x			
	13	63.0	Sand	Ā	120	14												
	14	68.0	Sand	Ā	111	13		<u>_</u>	4.4×10 <sup>-3</sup>		29.0	0.45					—	
	15	75.0	Sandy Clay	Ā	121	14					36.0	0.75						
	16	87.0	Clayey Sand	Ā	120	14	<u> </u>											
28-3	1	1.0	Silty Sand	Ā	102	11												
	2	6.0	-Disturbed-	_	-	-												
	3	11.0	Clayey Sand	A	113	12												
	4	16.0	Silty Sand (Disturbed)	<u>A</u>	-	- -	NP							·····				

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28-3	5	21.0	Silty Sand	A	113	14					32.0	0.30		·····				
	6	26.0	Clayey Sand	A	117	10								<del></del> .				
	7	31.0	Silty Sand	A	103	16						<u> </u>						
	8	36.0	-Disturbed-			-							<u> </u>					
	9	41.0	Clayey Sand	A	89	14												
	10	46.0	Clayey Sand	Ā	110	13												
	11	51.0	Sandy Clay	Ā	106	20	30	12						·		x		X(2)
	12	56.0	Clayey Sand	Ā	95	18												
	13	61.0	Clayey Sand	A	113	17												
·	14	66.0	Sand	A	111	16			7.0x10 <sup>-4</sup>									
	15	71.0	Sand	A	126	11												
	16	76.0	Sand	A	109	16				<b></b>					x			X(3)
	17	31.0	Sand	A	117	14							<b>-</b>		<u> </u>			
28-4	1	2.0	Sand	A	113	15												
	2	7.0	Sand ·	A	108	8											—	
	3	12.0	Sandy Clay	A	101	23								<u> </u>		<u> </u>	—	
-	4	17.0	Clayey Sand	A	108	18	29	13			25.0	0.50					—	
	5	22.0	Silty Sand	Ā	111	13												<u> </u>

BORING No.	SAMPLE No.	DEPTH (ft)	VISUAL CLASSIFICATION	CEDLOCIC UNIT	DRY DENSITY (pcf)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)			kv, COEFFICIENT OF PERMEABILITY (cm/sec) (Confining Pressure, psi)	UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENCTH (ksf)	D≀RECT STRENGTI ENVELOPI ǿ, deg	Н	SPECIFIC CRAVITY	POROSITY (n)	SIEVE ANALYSIS (Quantity)	HYDROMETER ANALYSIS (Quantity)	OEDOMETER	TRIAXIAL COMPRESSION (Stages)
28-4	6	27.0	Clayey Sand	A	109	15								- <del>4</del>			—	· -
	7	32.0	Clayey Sand	Ā	112	14	<u> </u>			1.0								
	8	37.0	Silty Sand	A	104	16	NP				31.0	0.25	<u></u>			x		
	9	42.0	Sand	Ā	104	18												
	10	47.0	Sand	A	105	18			3.1x10 <sup>-3</sup>				<u></u>		x		—	
	11	52.0	Silty Sand	A	118	13												
	12	58.0	Sandy Silt	A	110	17	27	5									x	
	13	63.0	Silty Sand	A	111	18											x	
	14	67.0	Gravely Sand	A	112	13					30.0	0.35			x			
	15	72.0	Gravely Sand	A	117	15							<u></u>					
	16	77.0	Sand	A	126	9												
28-5	1	3.0	Silty Sand	A	111	11											x	
	2	10.0	Clayey Sand	A	108	12												<u> </u>
	3	15.0	Sandy Clay	A	104	18				1.2								
	4	20.0	Clayey Sand	Α	112	16	NP									x		
	5	25.0	Clayey Sand	A	111	10					24.0	0.75						
	6	30.0	Sand	A	108	16				,							<u> </u>	
	7	35.0	Sand	<u>A</u>	112	15												

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BORING No.	SAMPLE No.	DEPTH (ft)	VISUAL CLASSIFICATION	GEOLOGIC UNIT	DRY DENSITY (pcf)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	F       ATTERBERG LIMITS		Kv, COEFFICIENT OF PERMEABILITY (cm/sec) (Confining Pressure, psi)	UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENCTH (ksf)	DIRECT S STRENCTI ENVELOPI ¢, deg	Н	SPELIFIC GRAVITY	POROSITY (n)	SIEVE ANALYSIS (Quantity)	HYDROMETER ANALYSIS (Quantity)	OEDOMETER	TRIAXIAL COMPRESSION (Stages)
28-5	8	40.0	Clayey Sand	<u>A</u>	107	17												<u></u>
	9	45.0	Silty Sand	<u>A</u>	90	14												
	10	50.0	Silty Sand	<u>A</u>	99	18					26.0	0.30			x			
	11	57.0	Clayey Sand	A	107	12											_	
	12	63.0	Sand	A	116	11											X	
	13	65.0	-Disturbed-	. —		-												
	14	70.0	Sand (Disturbed)	Ā	76	14											<u></u>	
	15	75.0	Silty Sand	A	116	14					29.0	0.40			x		—	
	16	80.0	Silty Sand	A	117	14												
	17	85.0	Gravely Sand	A	131	9				·.							—	<u> </u>
28-6	1	3.0	Sandy Clay	A	103	16											x	
	2	8.0	Sandy Clay	Ā	105	16					15.0	0.30						<u> </u>
	3	13.0	-Disturbed-		_	_												
	4	18.0	Sand	A	111	14											<u> </u>	
	5	24.0	Sandy Clay	Ā	107	18	28	8								x		X(2)
	6	28.0	Clayey Sand	A	104	17												
	7	33.0		Ā	113	14	NP				26.0	0.80		—		x	—	
	8	38.0	Clayey Sand	A	113	13		<u> </u>				<del></del>						
	9	43.0	Clayey Sand	A	107	17								<u> </u>				
				—	—	—								<u> </u>			—	<u> </u>

BORING No.	SAMPLE No.	DEPTH (ft)	VISUAL CLASSIFICATION	CEOLOGIC UNIT	.DRY DENSITY (pcf)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)			Kv, COEFFIC!ENT OF PERMEABILLITY (cm∕sec) (Confining Pressure, psi)	UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (ksf)	DIRECT S STRENGT ENVELOPE Ø, deg	1	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	POROSITY (n)	SIEVE ANALYSIS (Quantity)	HYDROMETER ANALYSIS (Quantity)	OEDOMETER	TRIAXIAL COMPRESSION (Stages)
28-6	10	48.0	Clayey Sand	А	107	15												
	11	53.0	Sand	Α	116	13									x			
	12	79.0	-Disturbed-		-	-												
28-7	1	4.0	Silty Sand	Α	99	10											X	
	2	9.0	Silty Sand	Α	112	9												
	3	14.0	Sandy Clay	A	110	14					25.0	0.45						
	4	24.0	Sandy Clay	A	114	13												
	5	29.0	Sandy Clay	A	107	19	34	17			26.0	0.40				x		
	6	34.0	Silty Sand	A	113	13												
	7	44.0	Sandy Clay	A	114	15	27	7			26.0	0.50						<u></u>
	8	54.0	Silty Sand	A	122	8			•									
	9	64.0	Gravely Sand	A	120	11												
	10	69.0	Silty Sand	A	113	5							<u></u>				_	
	11	74.0	Silty Sand	A	118	13	-								x			X(3)
	12	84.0	Silty Sand	A	120	12							· · · · ·					
	13	89.0	Silty Clay	A	105	22				5.4							<u> </u>	
	14	94.0	Silty Sand	A	110	17												
	15	99.0	Silty Sand	<u>A</u>	118	17												

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BORING No.	SAMPLE NO.	DEPTH (ft)	VISUAL CLASSIFICATION	GEOLOGIC UNIT	DRY DENSITY (pcf)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	TT ATTERREDC 1 MUTS	Kv, COEFFICIENT OF PERMEABILITY (cm/sec) (Confining Pressure, psi)	UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (ksf)	DIRECT STRENGTI ENVELOP ¢, deg	H	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	POROSITY (n)	SIEVE ANALYSIS (Quantity)	HYDROMETER ANALYSIS (Quantity)	OEDOMETER	TRIAXIAL COMPRESSION (Stages)
28-8	1	2.0	Silty Sand	A	118	13		 								—	
	2	10.5	Sand	A	113	7		 		32.8	0.10					_	
	3	16.0	Silty Sand	A	107	14		 		28.8	0,25					_	
	4	22.5	Sand	A	107	12		 				2.68	35.8				
	5	27.0	Gravely Sand	A	128	6											
	6	32.5	Silty Sand	A	102	15		 									
	7	37.0	Sand	A	107	13		 		28.8	0.12						
	8	47.0	Sandy Gravel	A	114	12		 2.2x10 <sup>-4</sup>				2.74	33.2				
	9	52.5	Clayey Silt	- <u>-</u>	101	23		 		15.0	0,48	2.69	39.6				
	10	57.0	Siltstone	c	110	21		 									
	11	60,5	Siltstone	c	109	21		 	1.14							_	
	12	70.5	Sandy Siltstone	c	115	15		 1.7x10 <sup>-3</sup>								x	
	13	80.5	Sandy Siltstone	c	114	18		 			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·						
	14	90.5	Sandy Siltstone	c	125	11		 	2.53			<u> </u>		X(2)	X(2)		
	15	99.5	-Disturbed-	-	-	-		 								_	<u> </u>

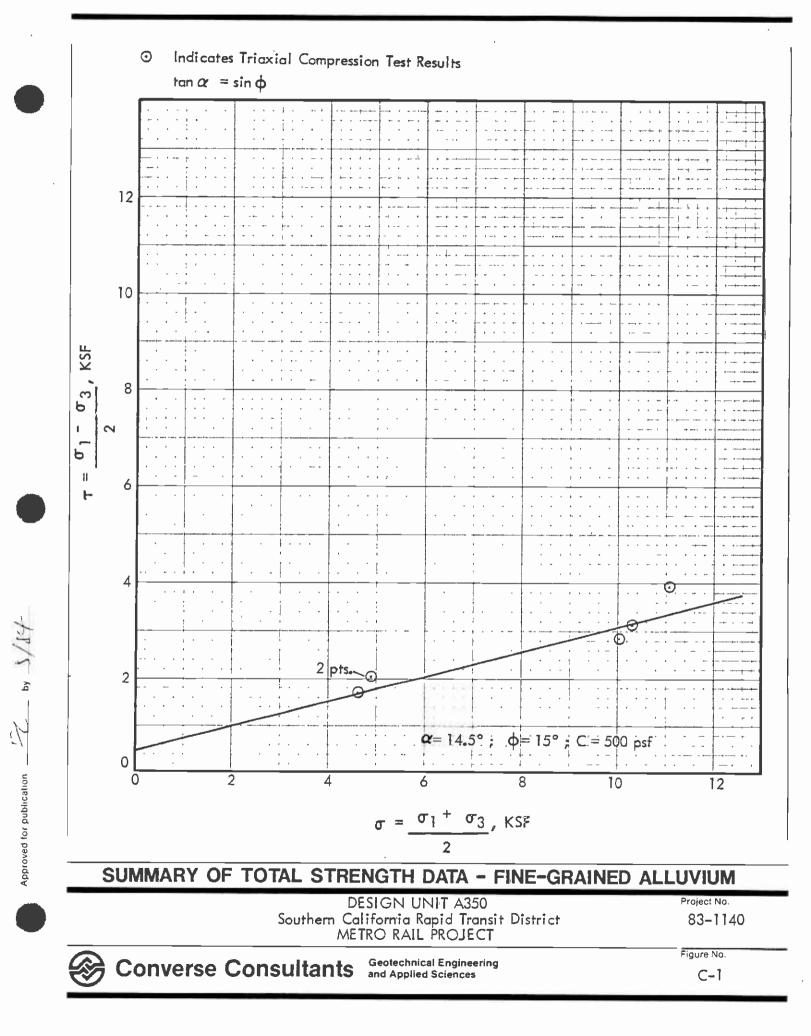
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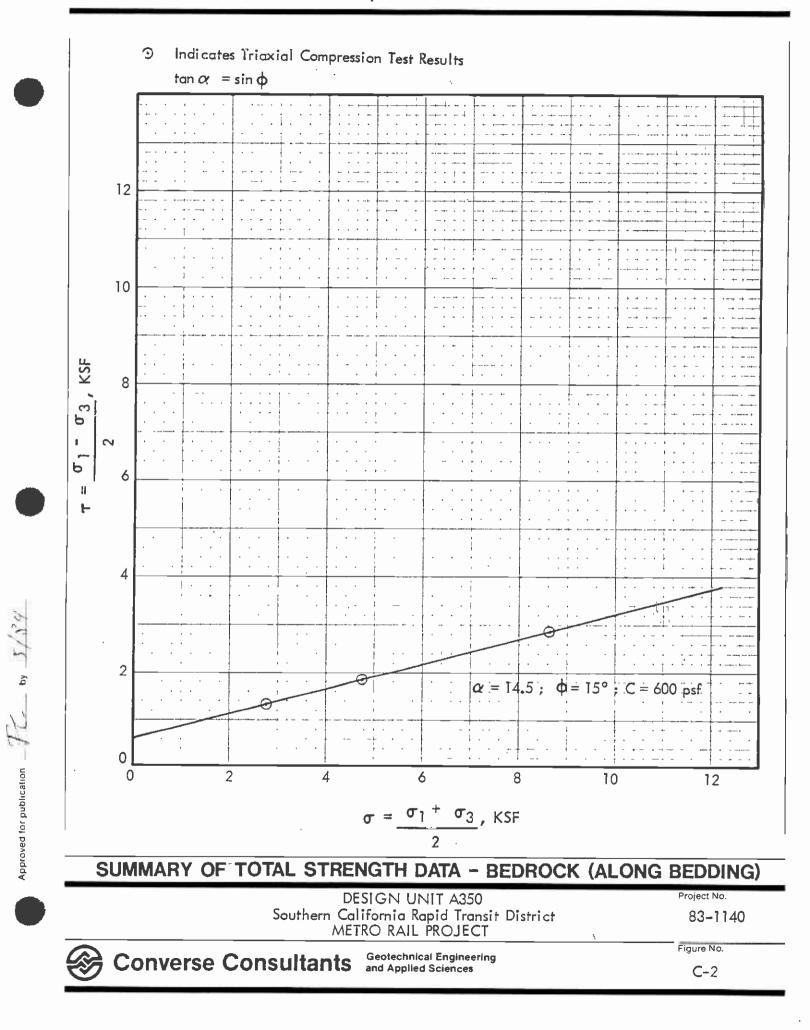
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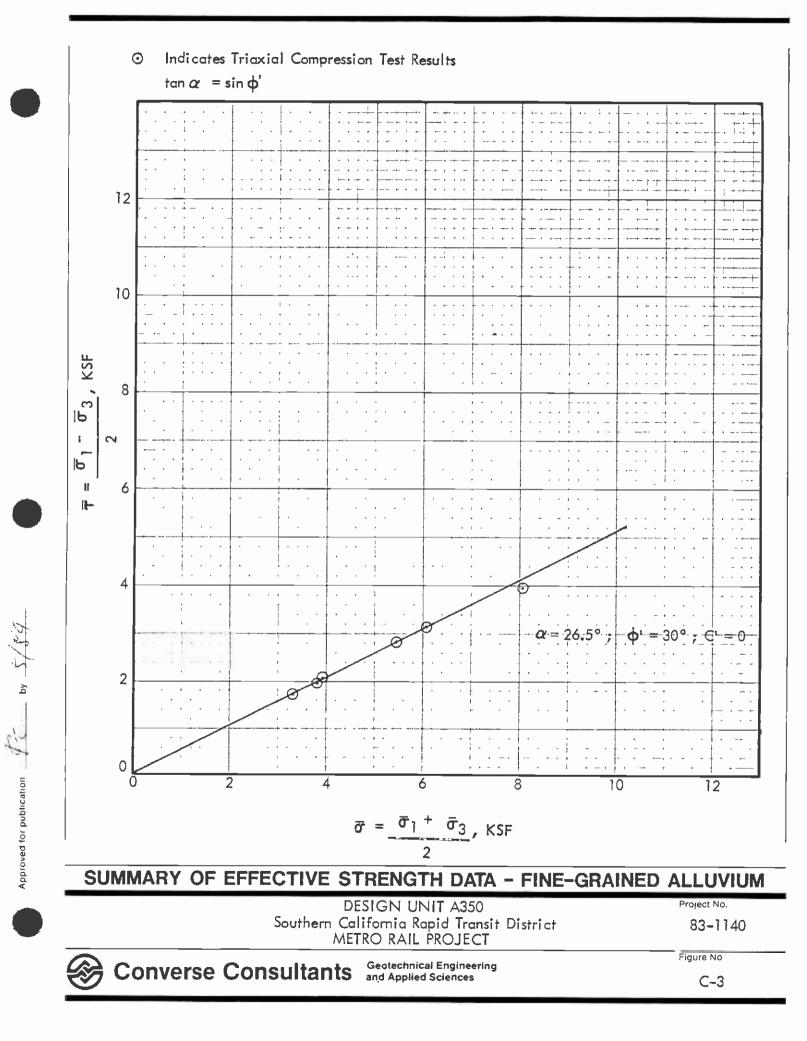
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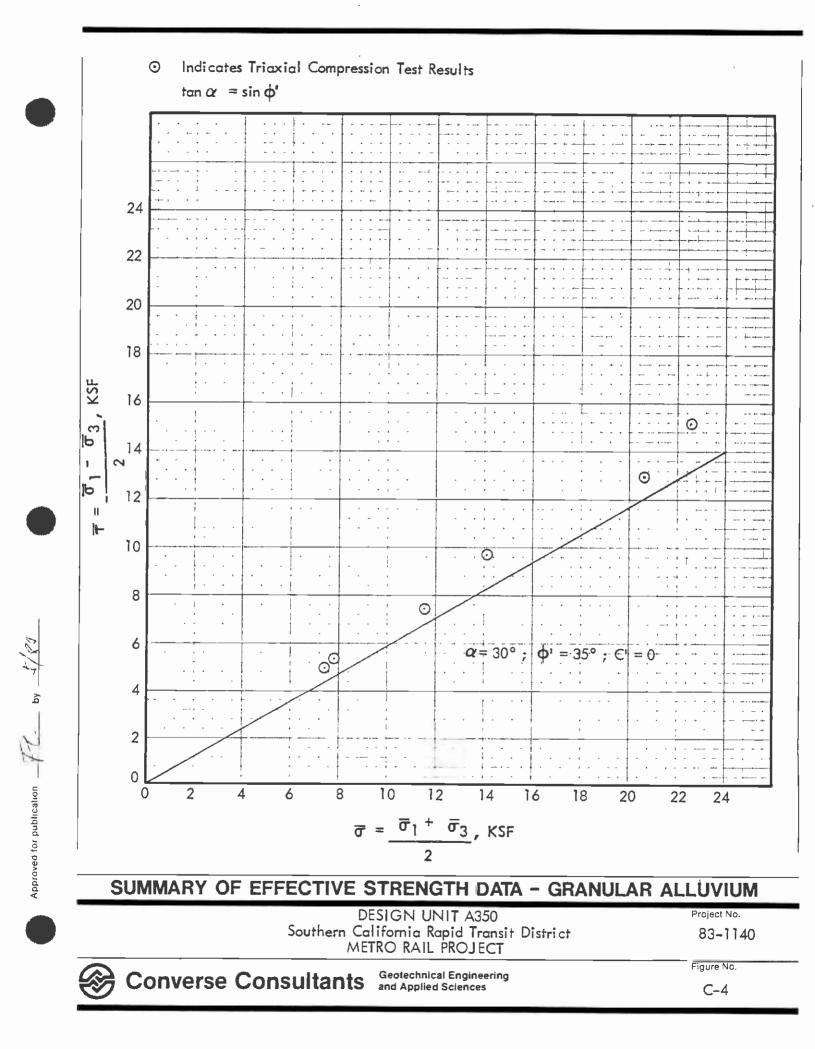
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	C2	40	Silty Sand	A	110	10			 					30.5	0.77				. —	_
	3	60	Sandy Clay	A	103	17			 					28.0	1.12				—	
-	24	80	Clayey Silty Sand	A	107	13			 					37.5	0.35					
(	25 1	100	Sandy Clay	A	101	20	<b>—</b> —		 					14.5	0.94				_	_
	C6 1	120	Clayey Sand	A	125	13			 					34.0	2.58				_	—
•	27 1	139	Sandy Clay	A	122	13	<b>—</b> —		 										x	—
•	27 1	140	Sandy Clay	A	120	13			 2	2.6E-7		2.69	28.3						—	—
(	8 1	60	Silty Sand	A	120	13			 8	3.6E-5			28.3			<del></del>			—	_
	<b>29</b> 1	80	Clayey Sand	A	123	12			 									X	_	—

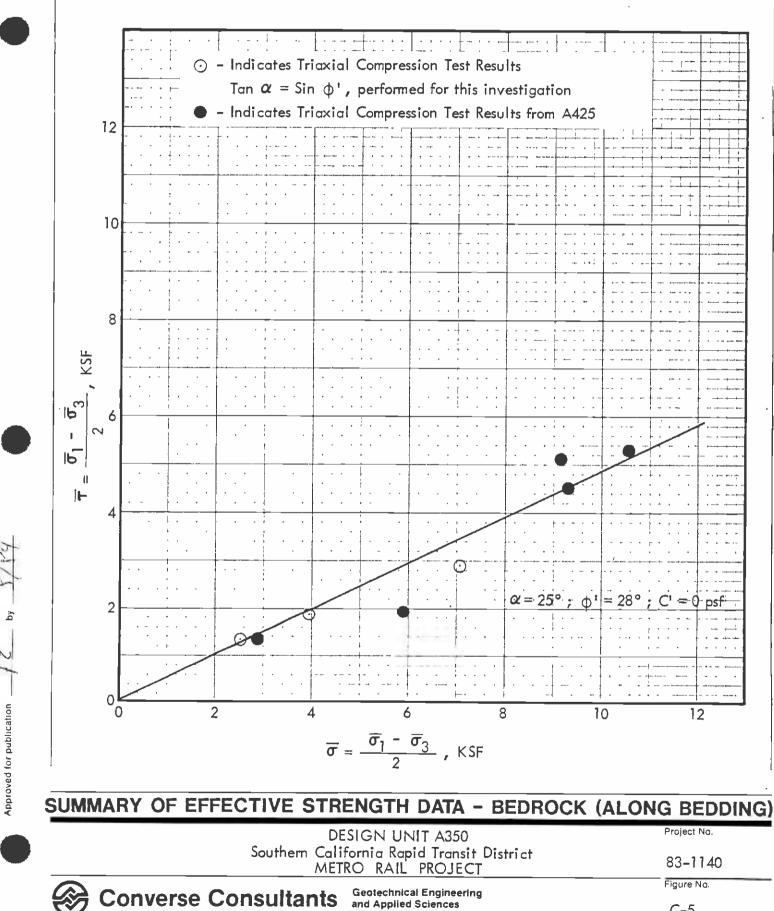
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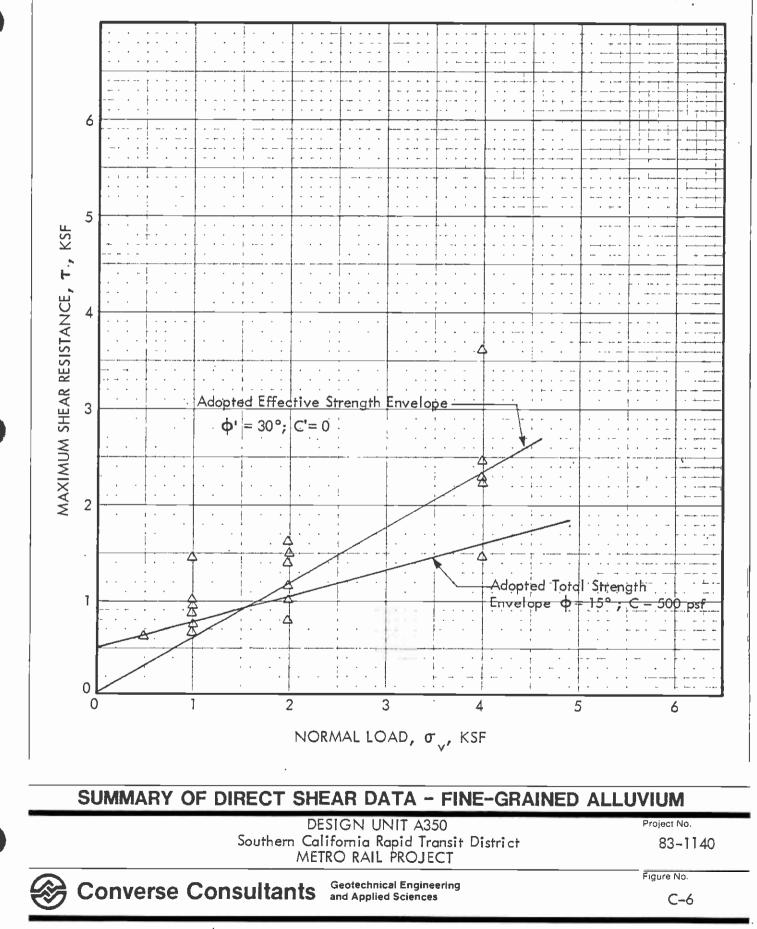


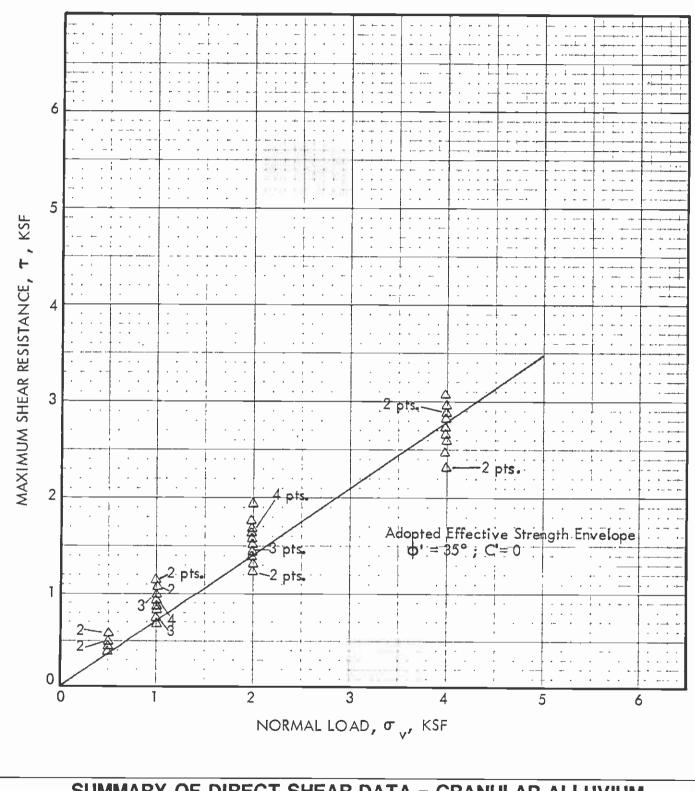




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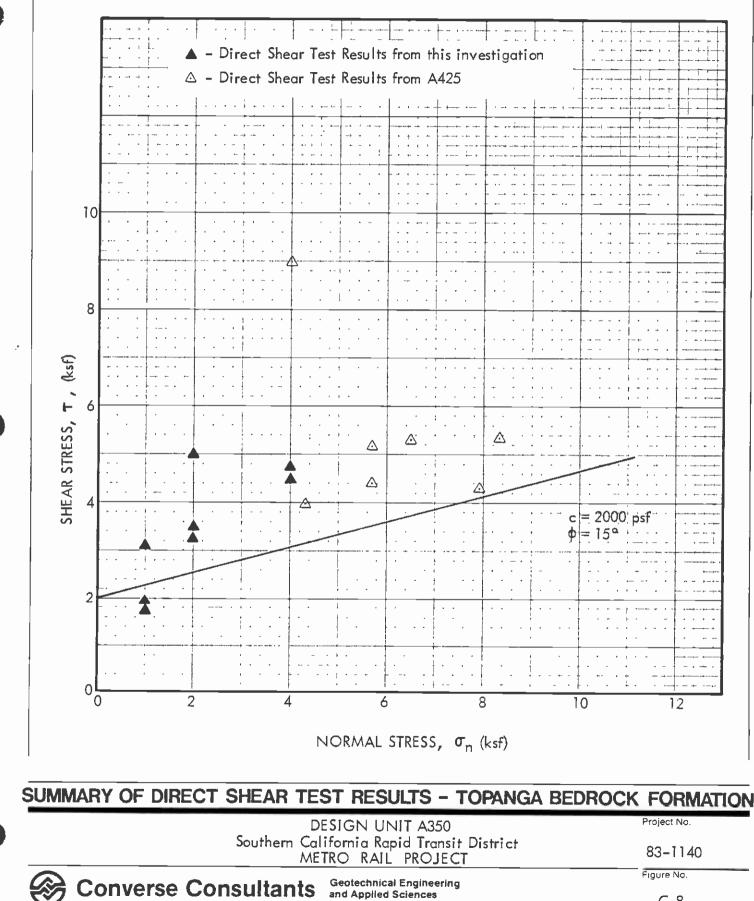
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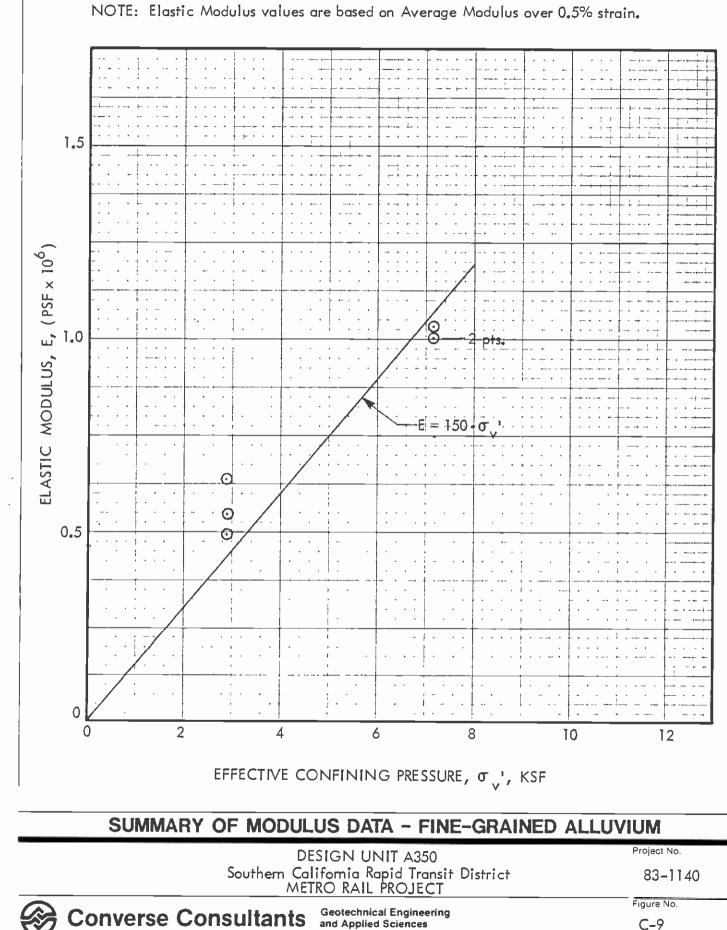
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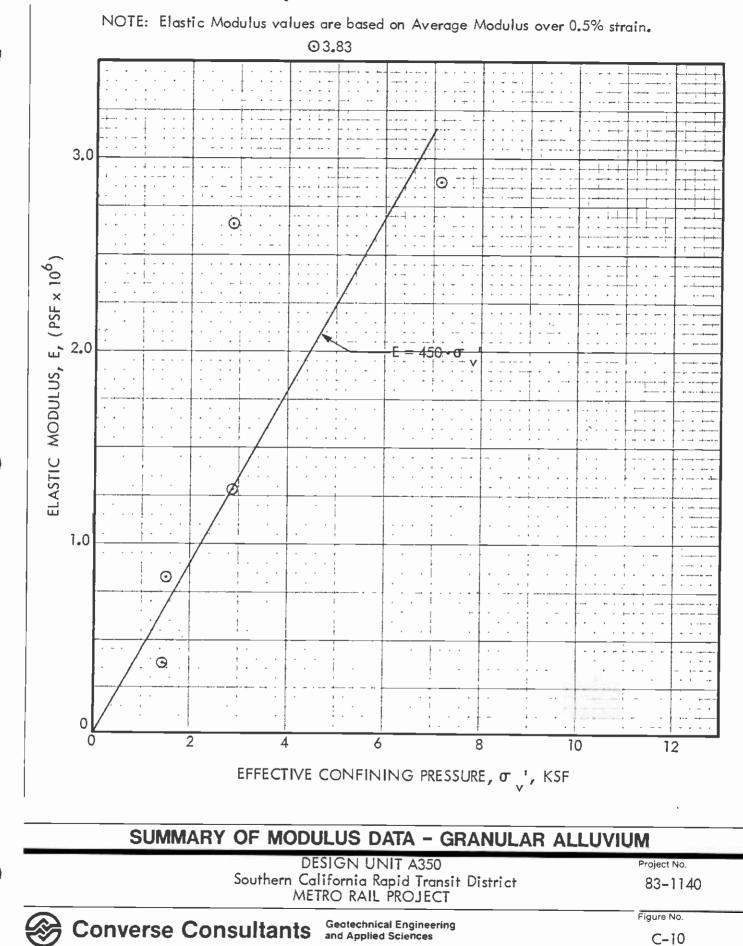
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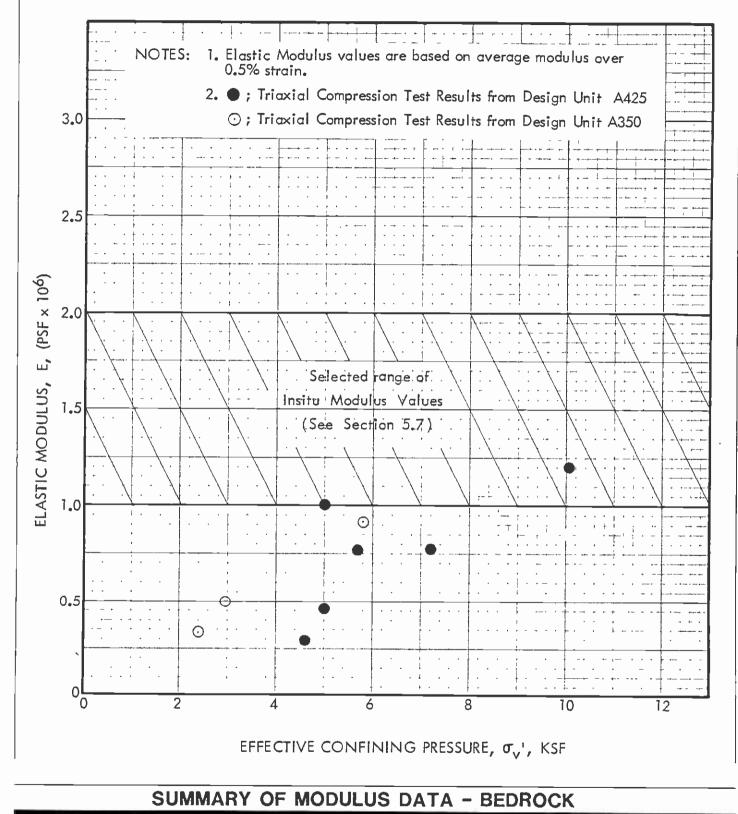
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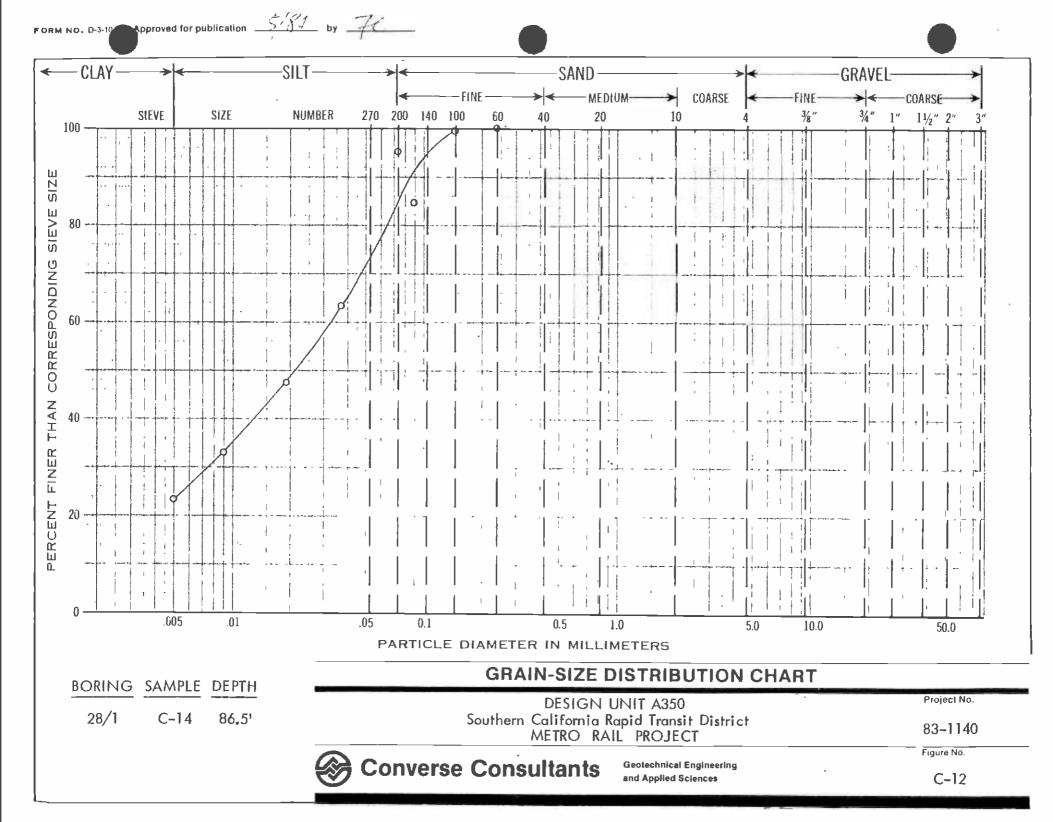
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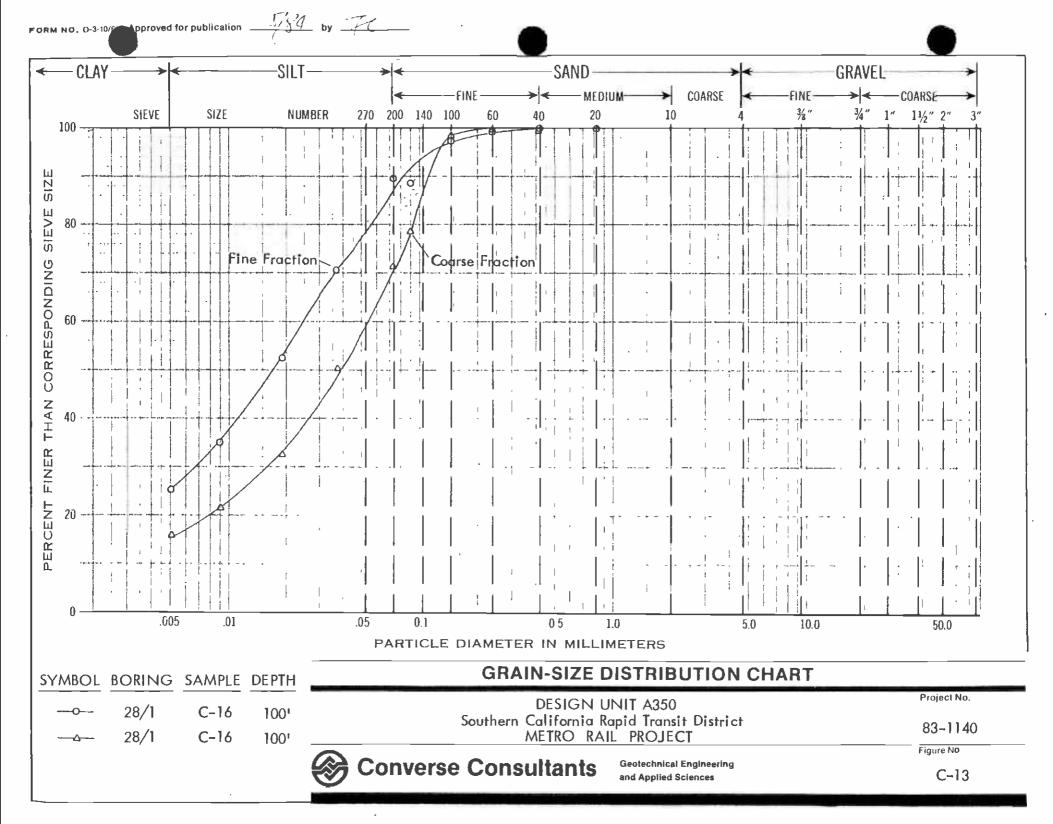
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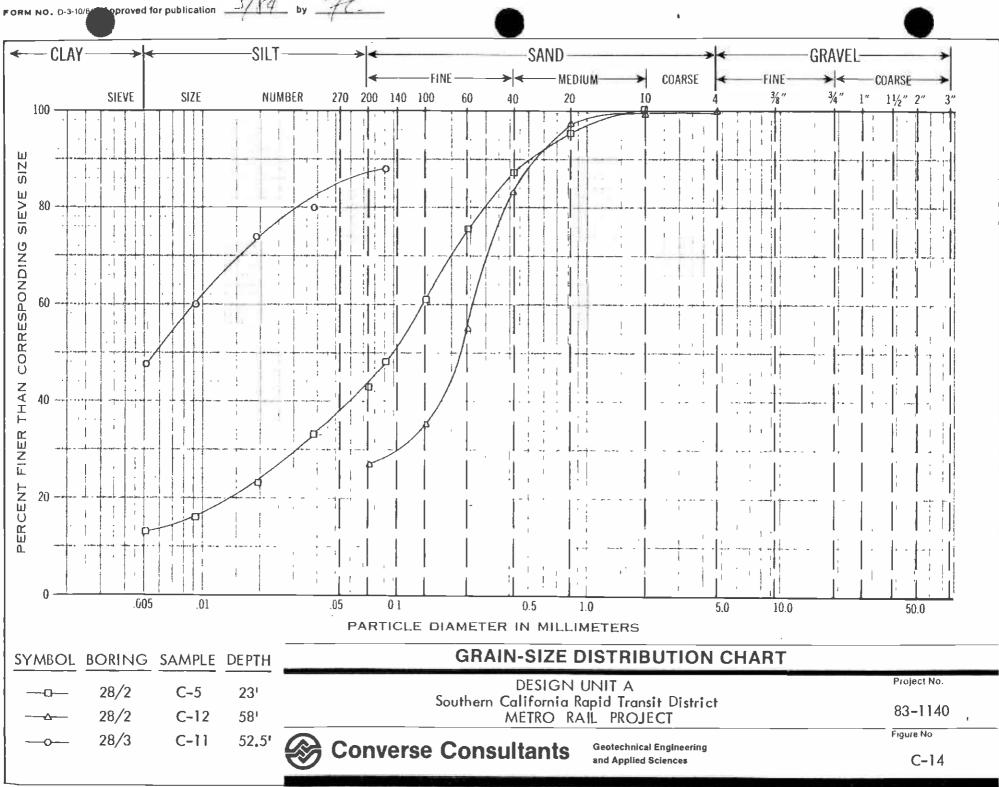
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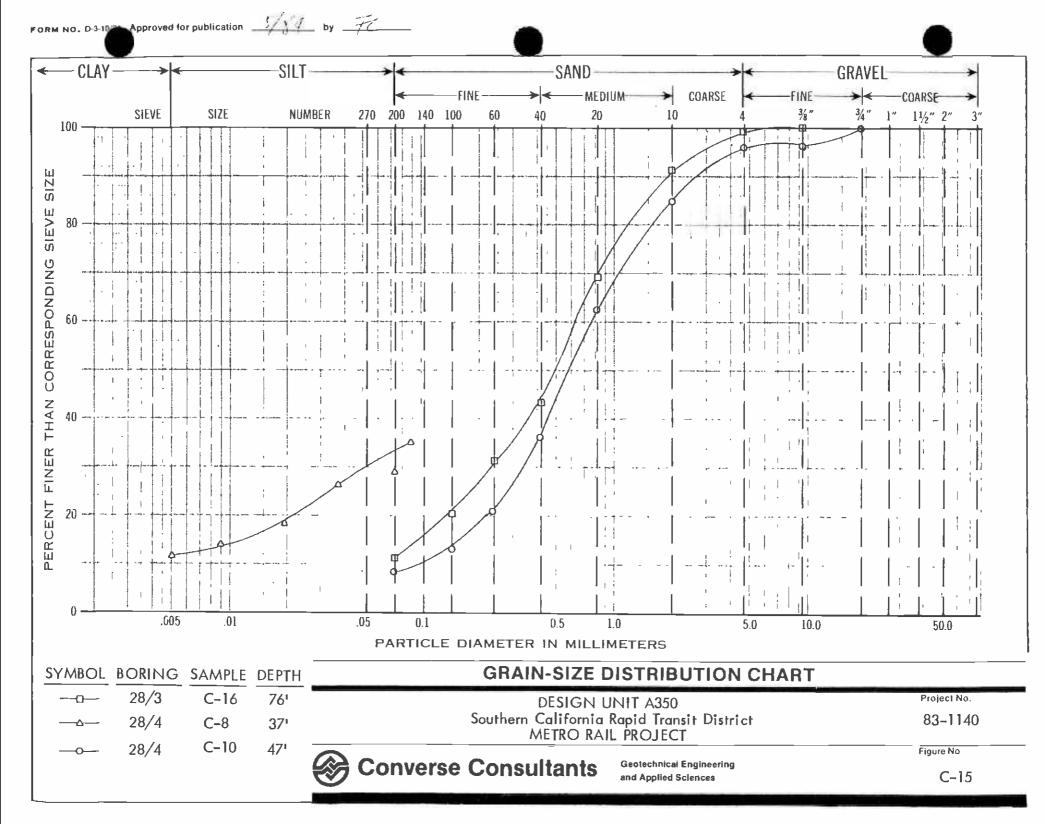
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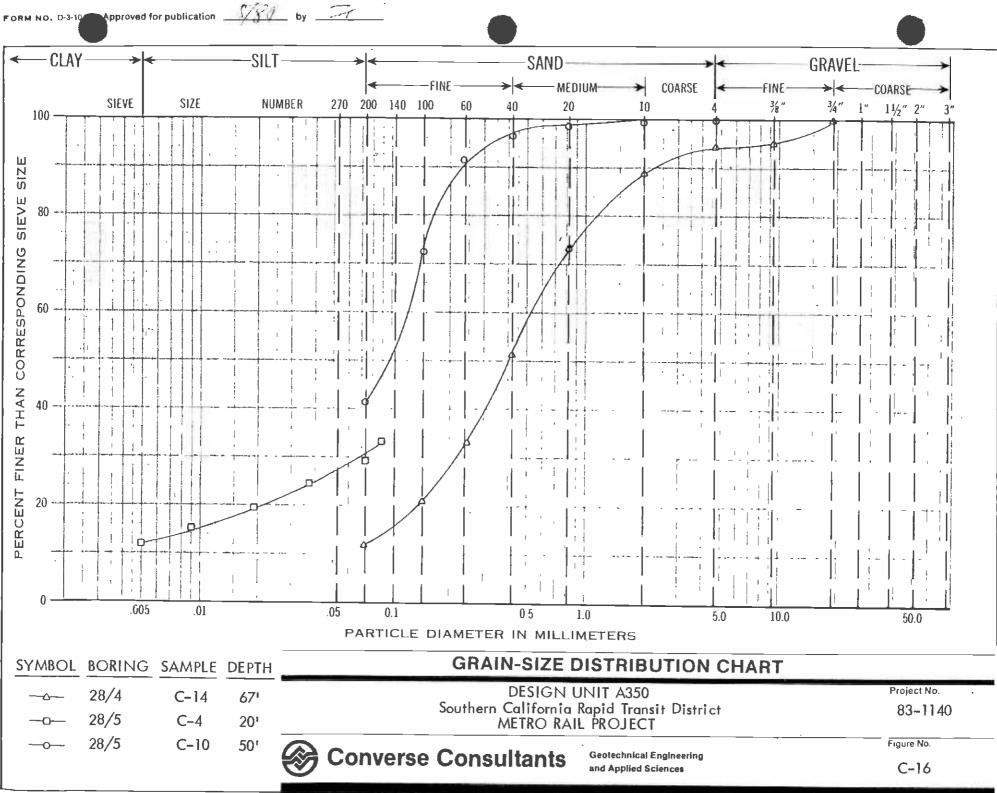


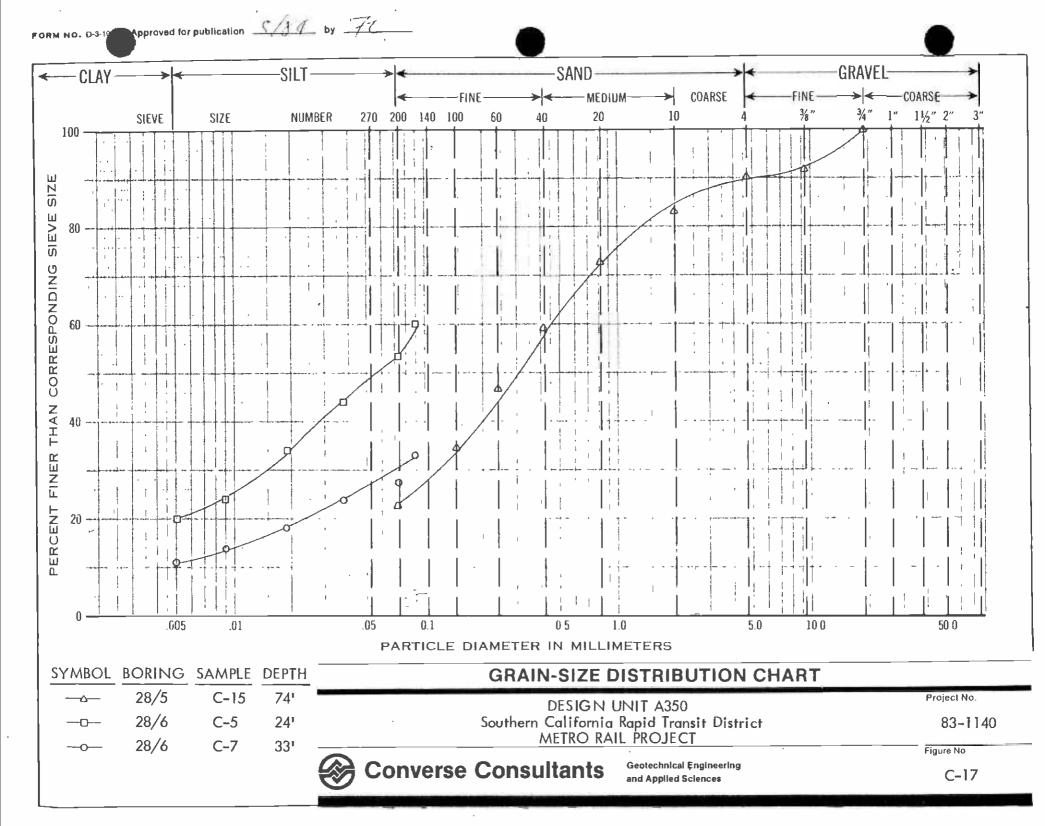


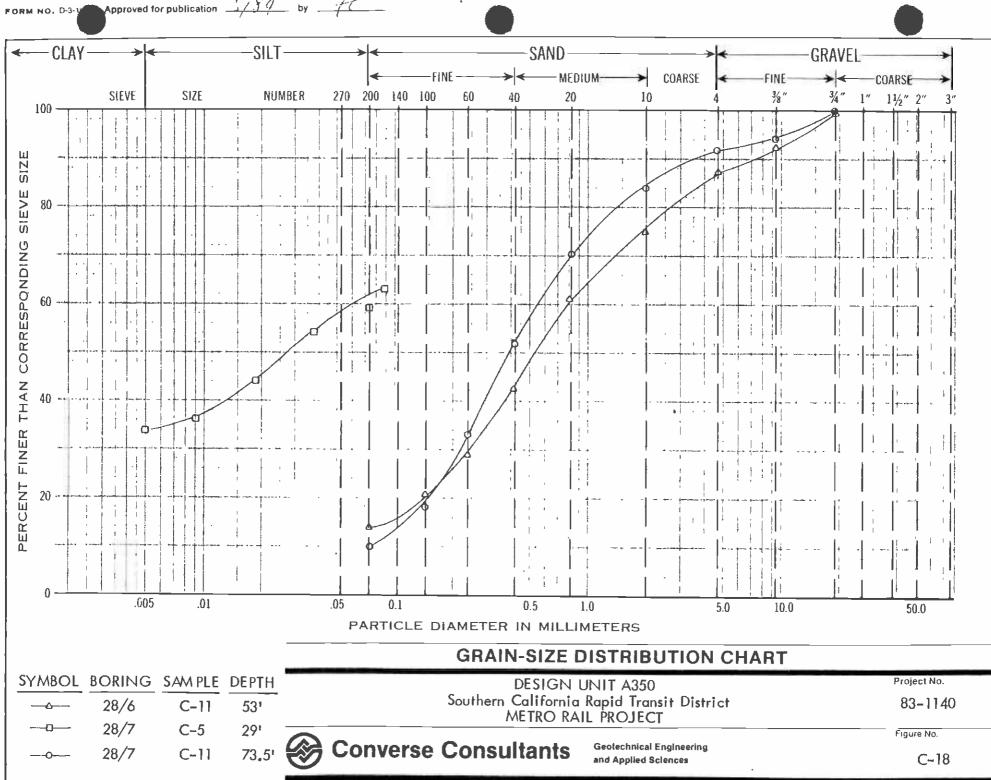


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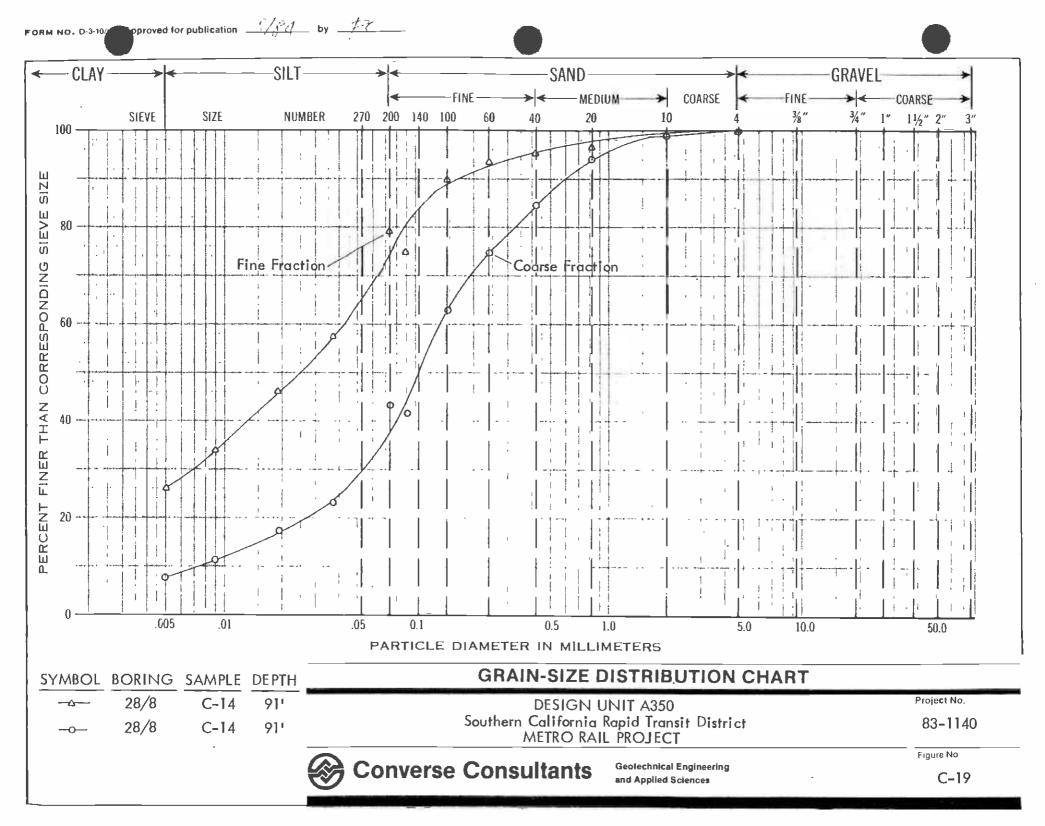


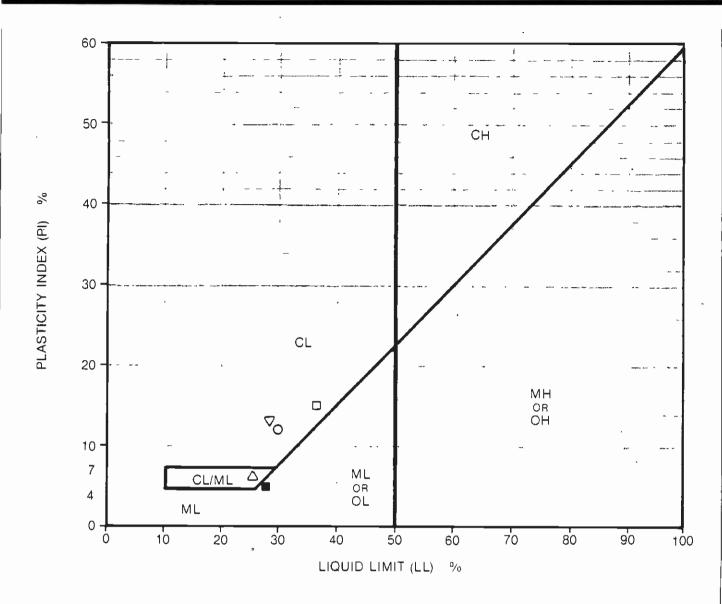






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Symbol		Classificat	ion and Sou	rce	Liquid Limit (%)	i Plastic Limit (%)	Plasticity Index (%)	% Passing 200 Seive
	28/2	C-5	22'-23'	CL/ML	25	19	6	43%
	28/2	C-11	52'-53'	CL	36	21	15	
	28/3	C-4	16'-17'	NP	-	-	-	
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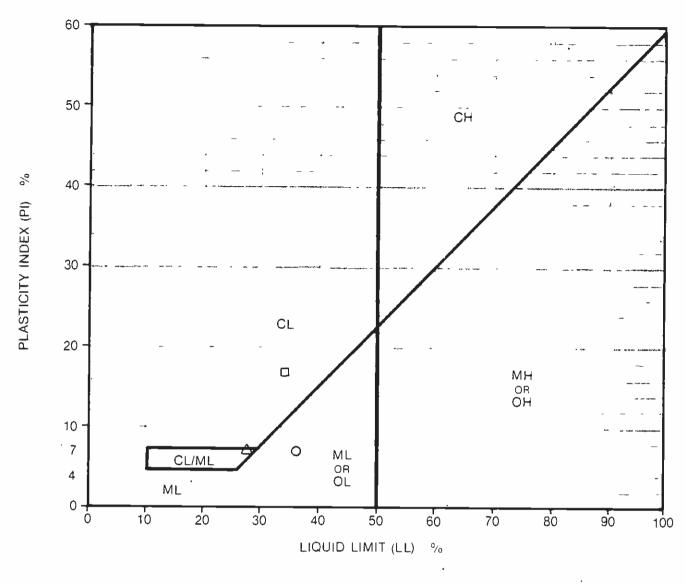
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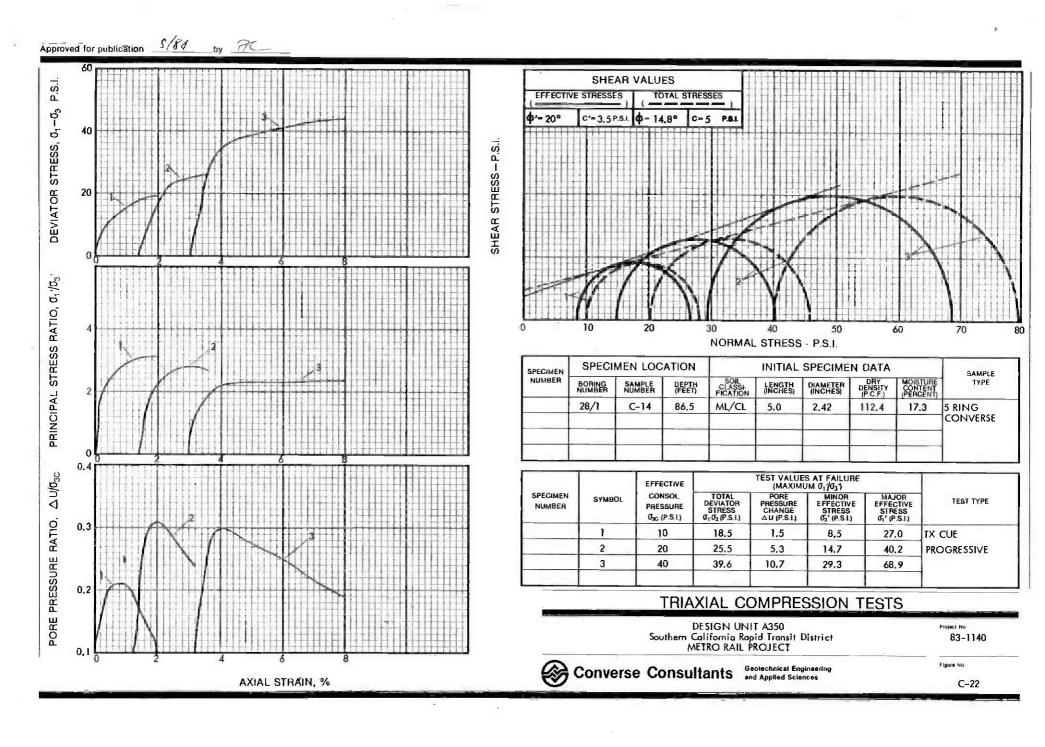
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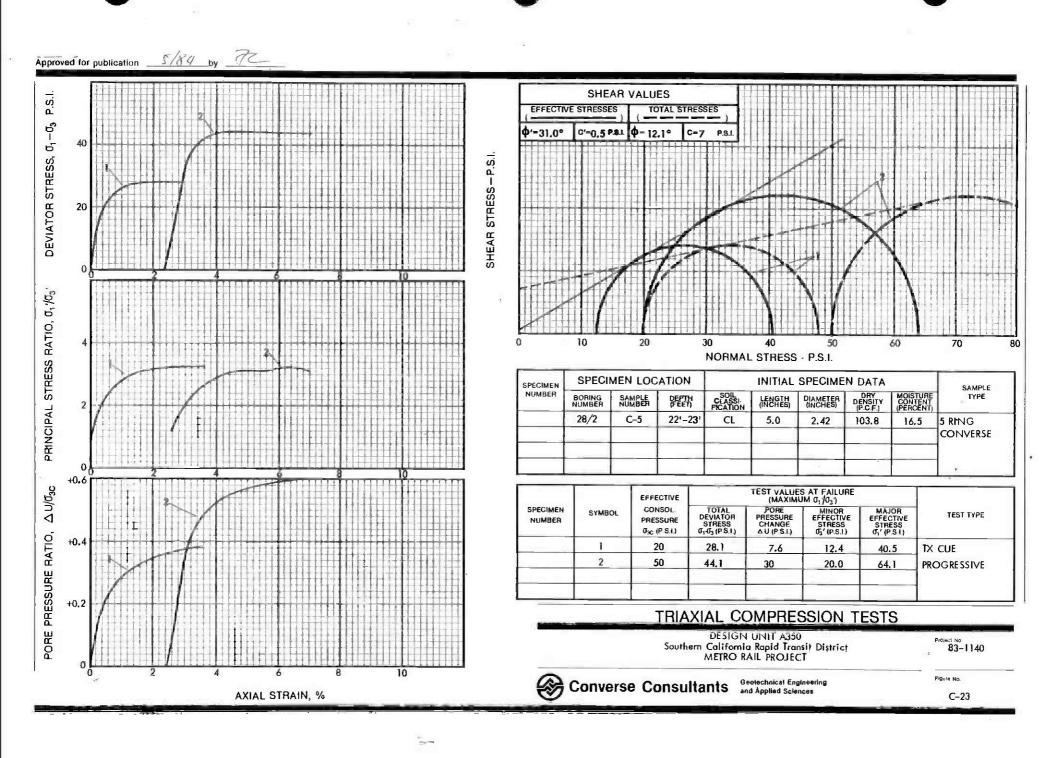
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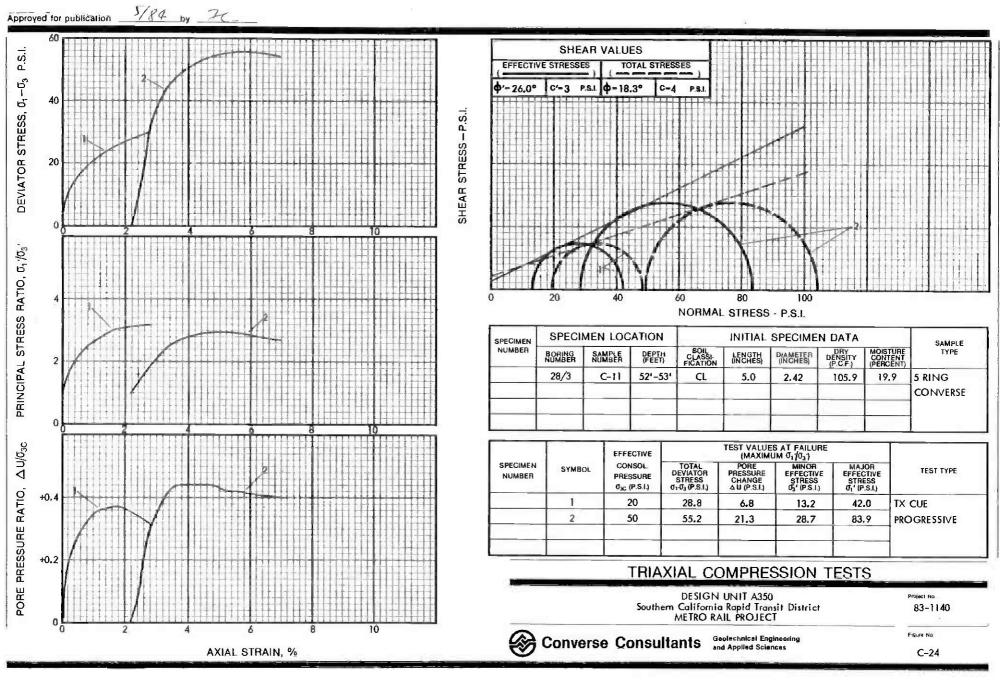
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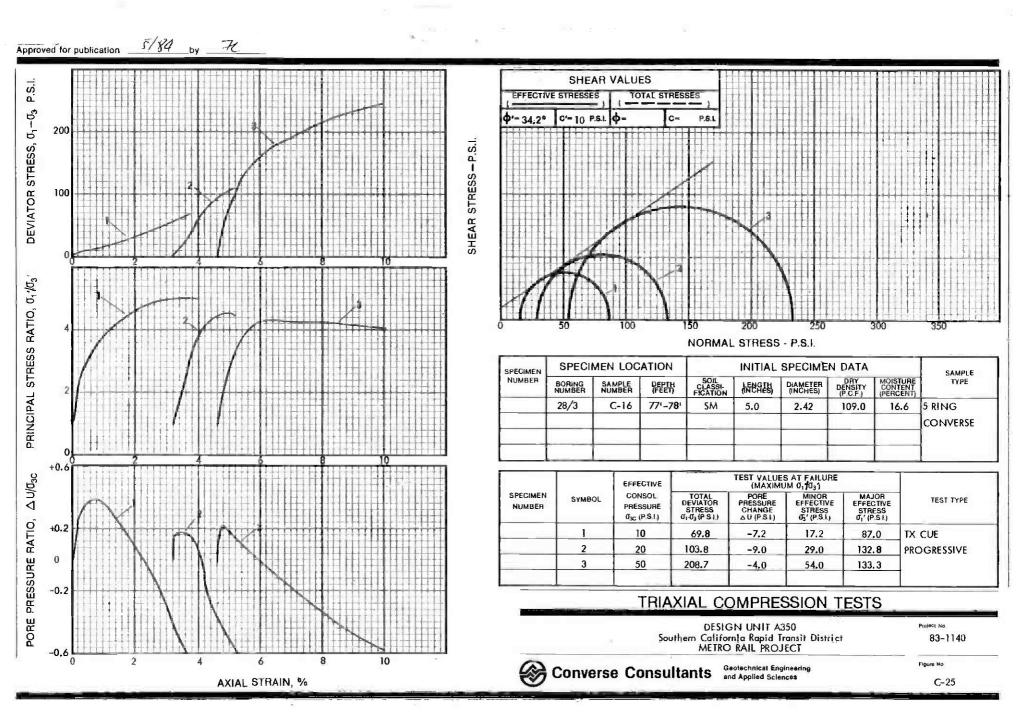
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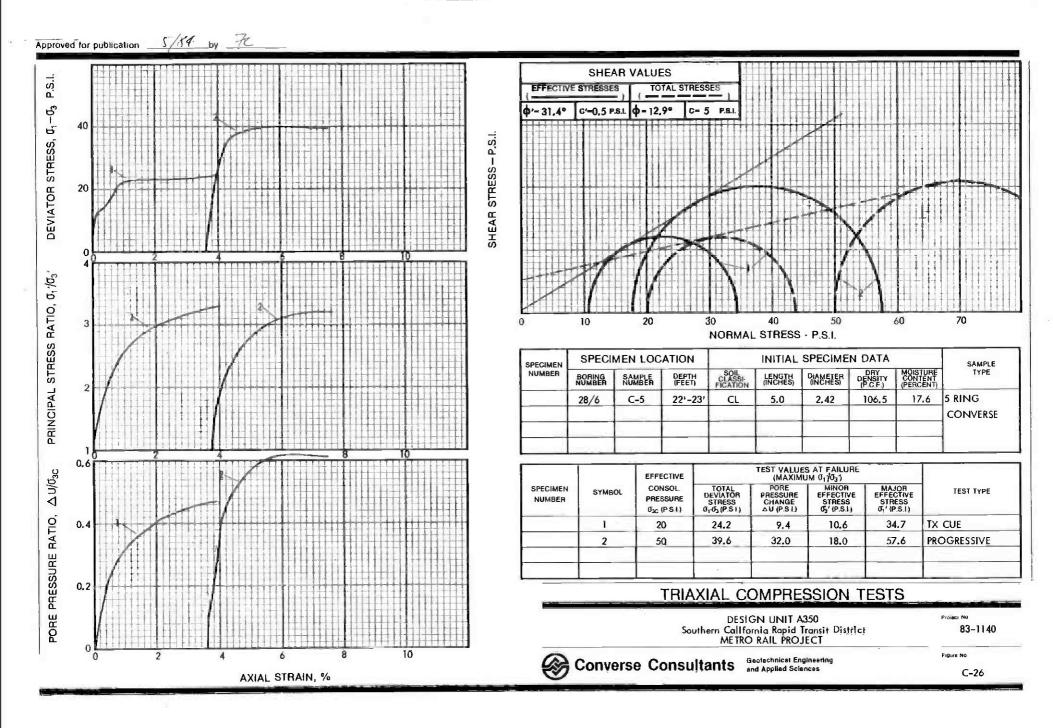
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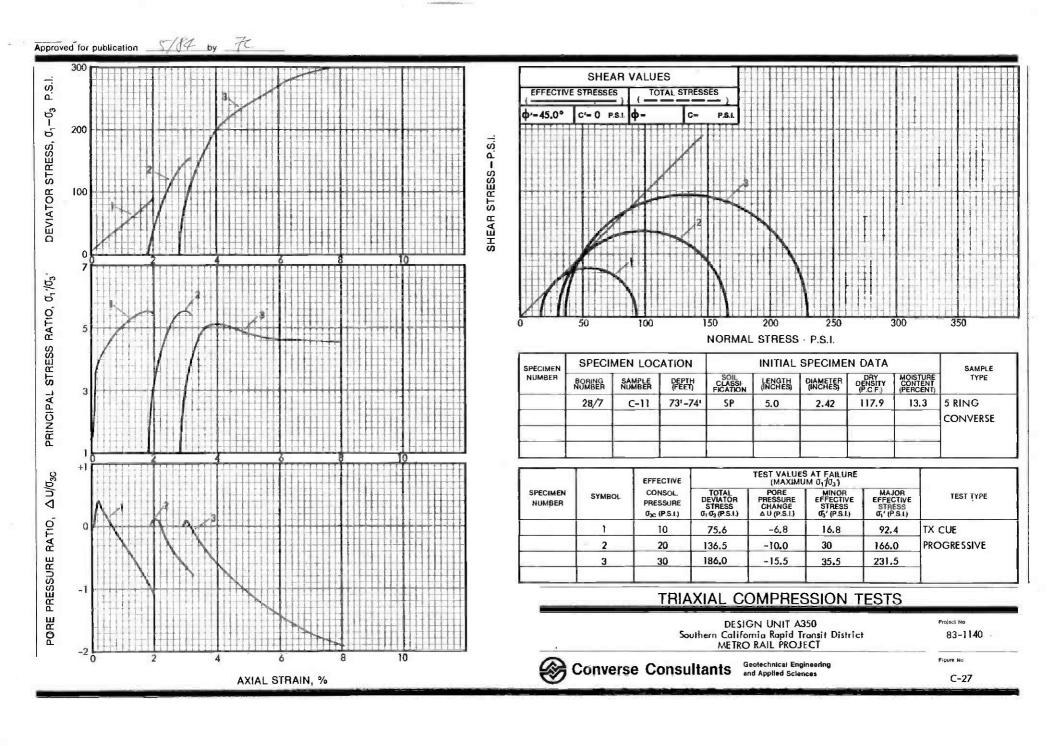












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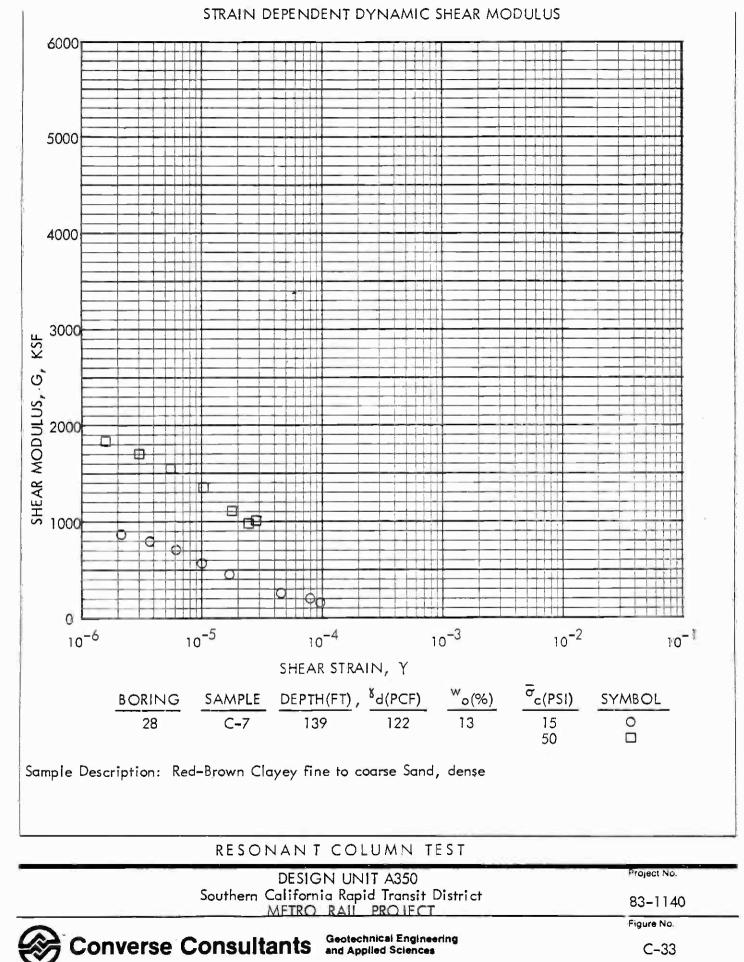
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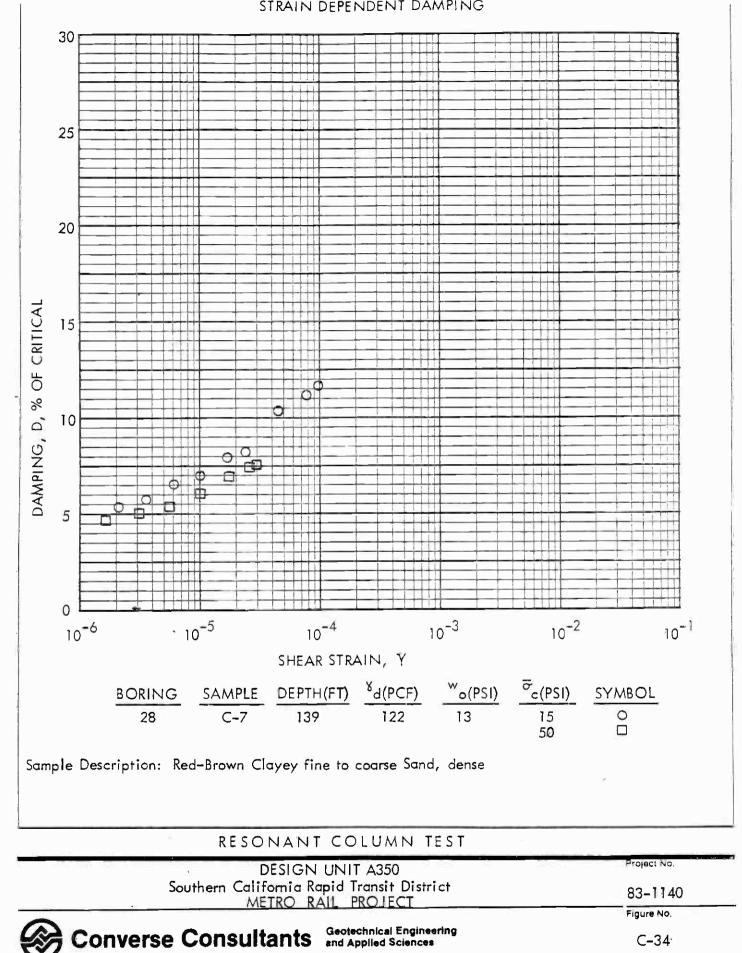
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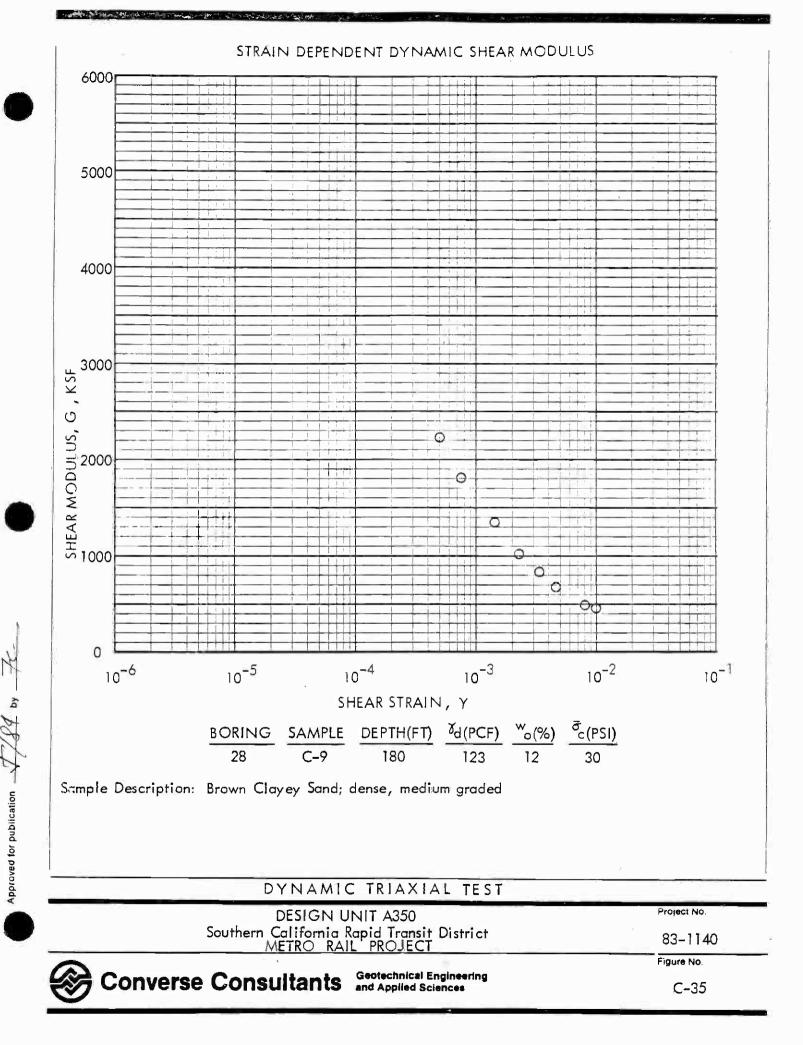
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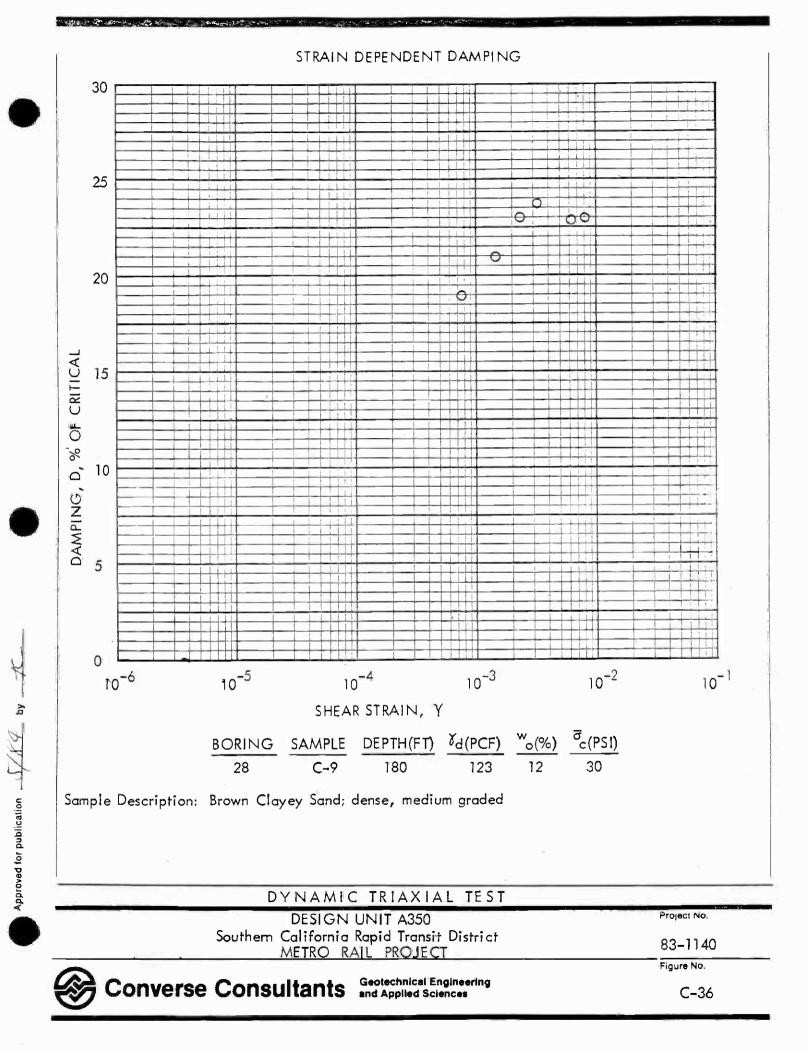


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Appendix D

Water Quality Analysis

## APPENDIX D WATER QUALITY ANALYSIS

## D.1 RESULTS

Water samples were taken from Boring CEG-28A during the 1983 investigation. The purpose was to evaluate water chemicals that could have significant influence on design requirements and to identify chemical constituents for compliance with EPA requirements for future tunneling activities. The chemical constituents tested are attached.

### D.2 FIELD PROGRAM

The borehole was flushed and established as piezometers. At a later date (often several weeks) the established piezometer hole was again flushed and cleaned out. Upon achieving a clean hole, water samples were collected with an air-lifting procedure from various depths within the borehole. The water samples were collected in sterilized one-quart glass containers which were properly identified and marked in the field. The water samples were delivered to Brown and Caldwell Consulting Engineers for testing.



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Conductivity: 920 µ mhos/cm Turbidity: NTU	Milligrams per	pH 7.8 @ 25°C pHs @ 60°F (15.6°C) pHs @ 140°F (60°C) Milli-equivalents
Cations determined:	liter (ppm)	per liter
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Calcium, Ca Magnesium, Mg Sodium,Na Potassium, K	37 16.5 224 5.8	1.83 1.36 9.74 0.15
		Total 13.08 <sup>.</sup>
Anions determined:		
Bicarbonate, as HCO <sub>3</sub> Chloride, Cl Sulfate, SO <sub>4</sub> Fluoride, F <sup>4</sup> Nitrate, as N	312 76 272 0.82 0.39	5.11 2.13 5.67 0.06 0.01
		Total 12.98
Carbon dioxide, CO <sub>2</sub> , Calc. Hardness, as CaCO <sub>3</sub> Silica, SiO <sub>2</sub> Iron, Fe Manganese, Mn Boron, B	7.1 174 12 1.6 < 0.05 1.16	
Total Dissolved Minerals, (by addition: HCO <sub>3</sub> ->CO <sub>3</sub> )	805	

Appendix E

**Technical Considerations** 

## APPENDIX E TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS

## E.1 SHORING PRACTICES IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA

## E.1.1 General

Deep excavations for building basements in the Los Angeles area are commonly supported with soldier piles with tieback anchors. Three case studies involving deep excavations into materials similar to those anticipated at the proposed site are presented below.

## E.1.2 Atlantic Richfield Project (Nelson, 1973)

This project involved three separate shored excavations up to 112 feet in depth in the siltstones of the Fernando Formation. The project is located just north of Boring CEG-9, and the proposed location of the 7th/Flower Station. Key elements of the design and construction included:

- <sup>°</sup> Basic subsurface material was a soft siltstone with a confined compressive strength in the range of 5 to 10 ksf. It contained some very hard layers, seldom more than 2 feet thick. All materials were excavated without ripping, using conventional equipment. Up to 32 feet of silty and sandy alluvium overlaid the siltstone.
- Volume of water inflow was small and excavations were described as typically dry.
- Shoring system consisted of steel, wide flange (WF) soldier piles set in pre-drilled holes, backfilled with structural concrete in the "toe" and a lean concrete mix above. The soldier pile spacing was typically 6 feet.
- ° Tieback anchors consisted of both belled and high-capacity friction anchors.
- ° On the side of one of the excavations a 0.66H:1V (horizontal:vertical) unsupported cut, 110 feet in height, was excavated and sprayed with an asphalt emulsion to prevent drying and erosion.
- ° Timber lagging was not used between the soldier piles in the siltstone unit. However, an asphalt emulsion spray and wire mesh welded to the piles was used.
- The garage excavation (when 65 feet deep) survived the February 9, 1971 San Fernando earthquake (6.4 Richter magnitude) without detectable movement. The excavation is about 20 miles from the epicenter and experienced an acceleration of about 0.1g. The shoring system at the plaza, using belled anchors, moved laterally an average of about 4 inches toward the excavation at the tops of the piles, and surface subsidence was on the order of 1 inch; surface cracks developed on the street, but there was no structural damage to adjacent buildings. Subsequent shoring used high capacity friction anchors and reportedly moved laterally less than 2 inches.



# E.1.3 Century City Theme Towers (Crandall, 1977)

This project involved a shored excavation between 70 and 110 feet deep in Old Alluvium deposits. Immediately adjacent to the excavation (about 20 feet away), was a bridge structure supported on piles 60 feet below the ground surface. The project is located about one mile west of Boring CEG-20 and the proposed location of the Fairfax Avenue Station. Key elements of the design and construction included:

- Basic subsurface materials were stiff clays and dense silty sands and sands. The permanent ground water table was below the level of the excavation, although minor seeps from perched ground water were encountered.
- Shoring system consisted of steel WF soldier piles placed in 36-inch diameter drilled holes spaced 6 feet on center.
- <sup>°</sup> As the excavation proceeded, pneumatic concrete was placed incrementally in horizontal strips to create the finished exterior wall. The concrete which was shot against the earth acted as the lagging between soldier piles.
- ° Tieback anchors consisted of high-capacity 12- and 16-inch diameter friction anchors.
- \* Actual load imposed on the wall by the adjacent bridge was computed and added to the design wall pressures as a triangular pressure distribution.
- <sup>°</sup> Maximum horizontal deflection at the top of the wall was 3 inches, while the typical deflection was less than 1 inch. Adjacent to the existing bridge, the deflections were essentially zero, with the tops of most of the soldier piles actually moving into the ground due to the high prestress loads in the anchors.
- Survey of the bridge pile caps indicated practically no movement.

# E.1.4 <u>St. Vincent's Hospital (Crandall, 1977)</u>

This project involved a shored excavation up to 70 feet deep into the claystones and siltstones of the Puente Formation. Immediately adjacent to the excavation (about 25 feet away) was an existing 8-story hospital building with one basement level supported on spread footings. The project is located about 1/3 mile north of Boring CEG-11 and the proposed location of the Alvarado Street Station. Key elements of the design and construction included:

- ° Basic subsurface materials were shale and sandstone, with a bedding dip to the south at angles ranging from 20° to 40°. Although the permanent ground water level was below the excavation level, perched zones of significant water seepage were encountered.
- Shoring system consisted of steel WF soldier piles placed in 20-inch diameter drilled holes spaced at 6 feet on center.
- ° Tieback anchors consisted of high-capacity friction anchors.

- <sup>°</sup> Theoretical load imposed on the wall by the adjacent building was computed and added to the design wall pressure. The existing building was not underpinned; thus, the shoring system was relied upon to support the existing building loads.
- <sup>°</sup> Shoring performed well, with maximum lateral wall deflection of about 1 inch and typical deflections less than 1/4 inch. There was no measurable movement of the reference points on the existing building.

## E.1.5 Design Lateral Load Practices

Table E-1 summarizes the design lateral loads used for nine shored excavations in the general site vicinity. Based on these projects, the average equivalent uniform pressure for excavations in alluvium is 15.6H-psf (H = depth of the excavation). For excavations in the Puente or Fernando the average value used is 14.5H-psf.

According to Terzaghi and Peck's rules, the design pressure in granular soils would be equal to 0.65 times the active earth pressure. Assuming a friction angle of 37°, the equivalent design pressure should equal about 22H-psf. For hard clays, the recommended value ranges from 0.15 to .30 (equivalent rectangular distribution) times the soils unit weight or at least 18H-psf.

Thus, the local design practices are some 20% less than those indicated by Peck's rules.

PROJECT LOCATION	EXCAVATION DEPTH (ft)		ACTUAL DESIGN PRESSURE (P)
Broadway Plaza Near 7th/Flower Station	15 to 30	Fill over Alluvium Sands	19.0H
500 South Hill	25	Fill over Sands & Gravel	22.0H
Tishman Building Wilshire/Normandie Station	25	Alluvium-Clays, Sand, Silt	19.0H
Equitable Life Wilshire/Mariposa Avenues	55	Alluvium Sand/Siltstone	20.0H
Arco Flower Street/5th to 6th	70 to 90	Alluvium over Claystone	16.OH
Century City	70 to 110	Alluvium-Clays & Sands	18.0H
St. Vincent's Hospital Near 3rd & Alvarado	70	Thin Alluvium over Puente	1 <b>5.</b> 0H
Oxford Plaza Near 7th/Flower	40	Fill & Alluvium over Siltstone	21.OH
Bank Building* 2nd & San Pedro	40	Alluvium (including Sand & Gravel over Siltstone)	20H

TABLE E-1

SHORING LOADS IN LOS ANGELES AREA

\* Considerable caving problems were encountered installing tiebacks in dry gravelly deposits in one section of excavation.

#### Note:

1. All shoring systems were soldier piles.

2. All pressure diagrams were trapezoidal.

3. Equivalent pressure equals a uniform rectangular distribution.

## E.2 SEISMICALLY INDUCED EARTH PRESSURES

The increase in lateral earth pressure due to earthquake forces has usually been taken into consideration by using the Monobe-Okabe method which is based on a modification of Coulomb's limit equilibrium earth pressure theory. This simple pseudo-static method has been applied to the design of retaining structures both in the U.S. and in numerous other countries around the world, mainly because it is simple to use. However, just as the use of the pseudostatic method is not really appropriate for evaluating the seismic stability of earth dams, those same shortcomings are also applicable when using the method to evaluate dynamic lateral pressures.

During an earthquake the inertia forces are cyclic in nature and are constantly changing throughout its duration. It is unrealistic to replace these inertia forces by a single horizontal (and/or vertical) force acting only in one direction. In addition, the selection of an appropriate value of the horizontal seismic coefficient is completely arbitrary. Nevertheless, the pseudo-static method is still being used since it provides a simple means for assessing the additional hazard to stability imposed by earthquake loadings.

Monobe-Okabe originally developed an expression for evaluating the magnitude of the total (static plus dynamic) active earth pressure acting on a rigid retaining wall backfilled with a dry cohesionless soil. The method was developed for dry cohesionless materials and based on the assumptions that:

- ° The wall yields sufficiently to produce minimum active pressures.
- <sup>°</sup> When the minimum active pressure is attained, a soil wedge behind the wall is at the point of incipient failure, and the maximum shear strength is mobilized along the potential sliding surface.
- ° The soil behind the wall behaves as a rigid body so that accelerations are uniform throughout the mass.

Monobe-Okabe's method gives only the total force acting on the wall. It does not give the pressure distribution nor its point of application. Their formula for the total active lateral force on the wall,  $P_{AF}$ , is as follows:

$$P_{AE} = 1/2Y H^2(1-k_V)K_{AE}$$

Where:

$$\kappa_{AE} = \frac{COS^{2} (\phi - \theta - \beta)}{COS \theta COS^{2}\beta COS (\delta + \beta + \theta) 1 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{SIN (\phi + \delta) SIN (\phi - \theta - i)}}{COS (\delta + \beta + \theta) COS (i - \beta)}\right)^{2}}$$

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$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{Kh}{1-Kv}$$

γ = unit weight of soil φ = angle of internal friction of soil i = angle of soil slope to horizontal β = angle of wall slope to vertical k<sub>h</sub> = horizontal earthquake coefficient K<sub>v</sub> = vertical earthquake coefficient δ = angle of wall friction.

For a horizontal ground surface and a vertical wall,

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The expression for  $K_{\mbox{\scriptsize AF}}$  then becomes,

$$KAE = \frac{COS^{2}(\phi-\theta-B)}{COS \ \theta \ COS \ (\delta+\theta) \ \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{SIN \ (\theta+\delta) \ SIN \ (\phi-\theta)}}{COS \ (\theta+\delta)}\right)^{2}}$$

The seismic component,  $\Delta$  P\_AE, of the total lateral load  $P_{AE}$  can be determined by the following equation:

 $\Delta P_{AF} = 1/2 \gamma (total) H^2 \Delta K_{AF}$ 

Where:

 $\Delta K_{AE} = K_{AE}$  (static+seismic) -  $K_{AE}$  (static)

Inspection of actual acceleration time histories recorded during strong motion earthquakes indicates that the accelerations are quite variable both in amplitude and with time. For any given acceleration component the values fluctuate significantly during the entire duration of the record. Statistical analyses of the positive and negative peaks do indicate, however, that when one considers the entire record there are generally an equal number of positive and negative peaks of equal intensity. In the past it has been common practice to use the peak value of acceleration recorded during the earthquake as a value of engineering significance. However, this peak value might occur only once during the entire earthquake duration and is usually not representative of the average acceleration which might be established for the entire duration of shaking. It has been common practice in the past to ignore the effects of the vertical acceleration and to set the value of the vertical earthquake coefficient, k, equal to zero when using Monobe-Okabe's equation. This appears reasonable in the "light" of the above discussion since the vertical acceleration will act in upward direction about as often as it will act in the downward direction. It has also been common practice to set the value of the horizontal seismic coefficient, k, equal to the peak ground acceleration.

This is extremely conservative since the peak acceleration acts only on the wall for an instant of time. In addition, for a deep excavation the soil mass behind the wall will not move as a rigid body and will have a seismic coefficient significantly less than the peak ground acceleration (analogous to a horizontal seismic coefficient acting on a failure surface for an earth dam).

For evaluating dynamic earth pressures for this study, we recommend that the value of the horizontal seismic coefficient be taken equal to 65% of the peak ground acceleration and that the vertical seismic coefficient,  $k_v$ , be set equal to zero.

In a saturated soil medium the change in water pressure during an earthquake has usually been established on the basis of the method of analysis originally developed by Westergaard (1933). His method of analysis was intended to apply to the hydrodynamic forces acting on the fact of a concrete dam during an earthquake. However, it was used by Matsuo and O'Hara (1960) to determine the dynamic water pressure (due to the pore fluid within the soil) acting on quay walls during earthquakes, and has been used by various other engineers for evaluating dynamic water pressures acting on retaining walls backfilled with saturated soil. Unless the soil is extremely porous, it is difficult to visualize that the pore water can actually move in and out quick enough for it to act independently of the surrounding soil media. For most natural soils, the soil and pore water would move together in phase during the duration of the earthquake such that the dynamic pressure on the wall would be due to the combined effect of the soil and water. Thus, the total weight of the saturated soil should be used in calculating dynamic earth pressure values.

The Allowable Building Code stress increases for seismic loading (33%) translates into an allowable uniform seismic earth pressure on the temporary shoring of about magnitude 6H. This earth pressure corresponds to a seismic coefficient ( $K_h$ ) of about 0.15g and a peak ground acceleration of about 0.23g (using the recommended procedures). Data from Part I Seismological Investigation indicates the 0.23g peak acceleration to have a probability of exceedance less than 5% during an average two-year period (a reasonable construction period). The average recurrence of this ground motion level was indicated to be about 100 to 150 years. Based on consideration of the above, the 6H uniform seismic pressure was recommended for design of the temporary wall (see Figure 6-5).

## E.3 LIQUEFACTION EVALUATION METHODS

## E.3.1 Standard Penetration Resistance

The use of the Standard Penetration Test (SPT) in estimating the liquefaction potential of saturated cohesionless soil deposits has been the topic of many previous investigations. Results of these investigations have recently been

summarized by Seed et al (1983). Basically, the method utilizes empirical relationships which have been developed from a comprehensive collection of SPT blow count data obtained from sites where liquefaction or no liquefaction was known to have taken place during past earthquakes. Empirical relationships that have been recently proposed by Seed et al. (1983) are shown in Figure E-1.

Corrected SPT "N" values (normalized to 2 ksf overburden pressure for 24 SPT tests in saturated granular alluvium ranged from 11 to 64 with an average of about 32. Determination of dynamic strength was based on an M6.0 for the ODE event and an M7.0 for the MDE event. The liquefaction analysis based on Seed et al (1983) indicated the granular soils could generally withstand the ODE without initial liquefaction. However, the analyses indicated there would be liquefaction of a few granular alluvium layers during the MDE event. Therefore, the granular alluvium is considered to have a low to moderate liquefaction potential during the MDE.

### E.3.2 Shear Wave Velocity Measurements

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Crosshole measurements used for the determination of seismic wave velocities along the proposed SCRTD Metro Rail Project tunnel alignment were performed as part of the initial 1981 geotechnical investigation. Downhole and crosshole surveys were performed at Boring CEG-28. Average shear wave velocities measured in the Alluvium were about 1000 fps for the crosshole and the downhole measurements.

While shear wave velocity has not been as widely accepted in the past as SPT blow count data for estimating the liquefaction potential of a soil deposit, it has received some recent attention (Seed et al. 1983). Figure E-1 suggests that liquefaction potential at the site would be low based on the shear wave velocities measured.

## E.3.3 Gradation/Plasticity Characteristics

Another factor which may be considered in evaluating the liquefaction potential of a soil is the gradation characteristics of the material. A compilation of the ranges of gradational characteristics of soils which have liquefied during past earthquakes and/or are considered most susceptible to liquefaction in the laboratory is shown in Figures E-2 and E-3. The ranges shown in these figures have been complied by Lee and Fitton (1968), Seed and Idriss (1967), Kishida (1969), and Youd (1982) and appear to indicate that the soil types most susceptible to liquefaction consist of primarily poorly graded silty sands and sandy silts.

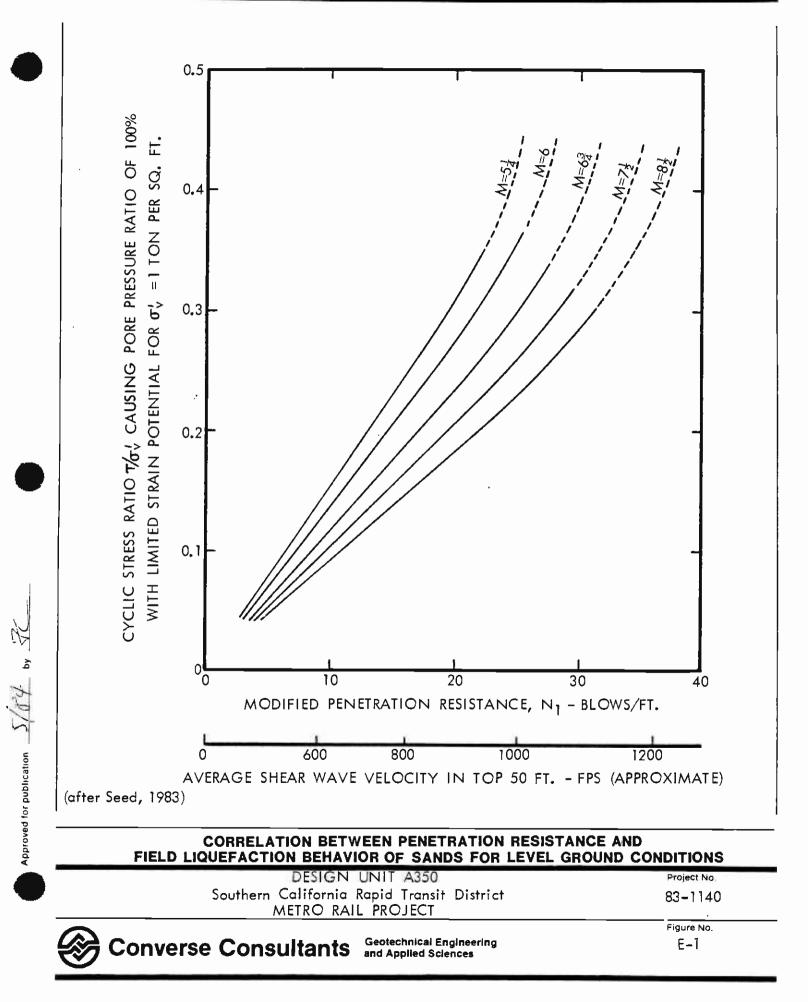
It is important to note that all the gradational ranges shown in Figure E-2 have less than 20% by weight clay size particles (i.e., particles less than 0.005 mm), suggesting that clayey (cohesive) soils have a low liquefaction potential. Seed and Idriss (1983) stated that clayey soils are not vulnerable to significant strength loss during earthquakes if the percentage of particles finer than 0.005 mm is greater than 20 or if the water content is less than 90% of the Liquid Limit. As can be verified by Tables C-1 and C-2 of Appendix C, moisture contents of the clayey soils test are all well below 90% of the Liquid Limit moisture content, thereby indicating the clayey soils to be non-liquefiable.

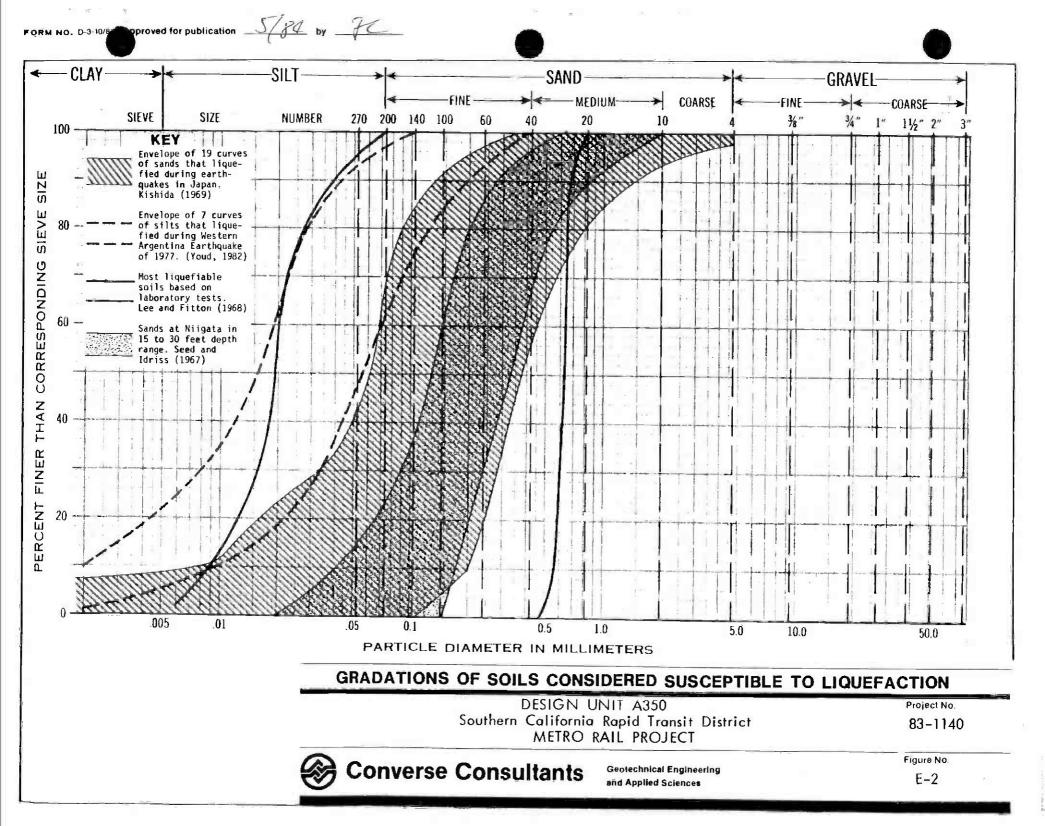
The gradation characteristics of the various soils which comprise the onsite Alluvium were compiled from laboratory tests performed during this and the previous 1981 investigations. The comparisons of the gradations with the ranges of gradations of the "liquefiable" soils shown in Figure E-2 are presented in Figures E-3 and E-4. Several samples tested fall within the range of gradations of soils considered more "susceptible" to liquefaction are shown on Figures E-3 and E-4.

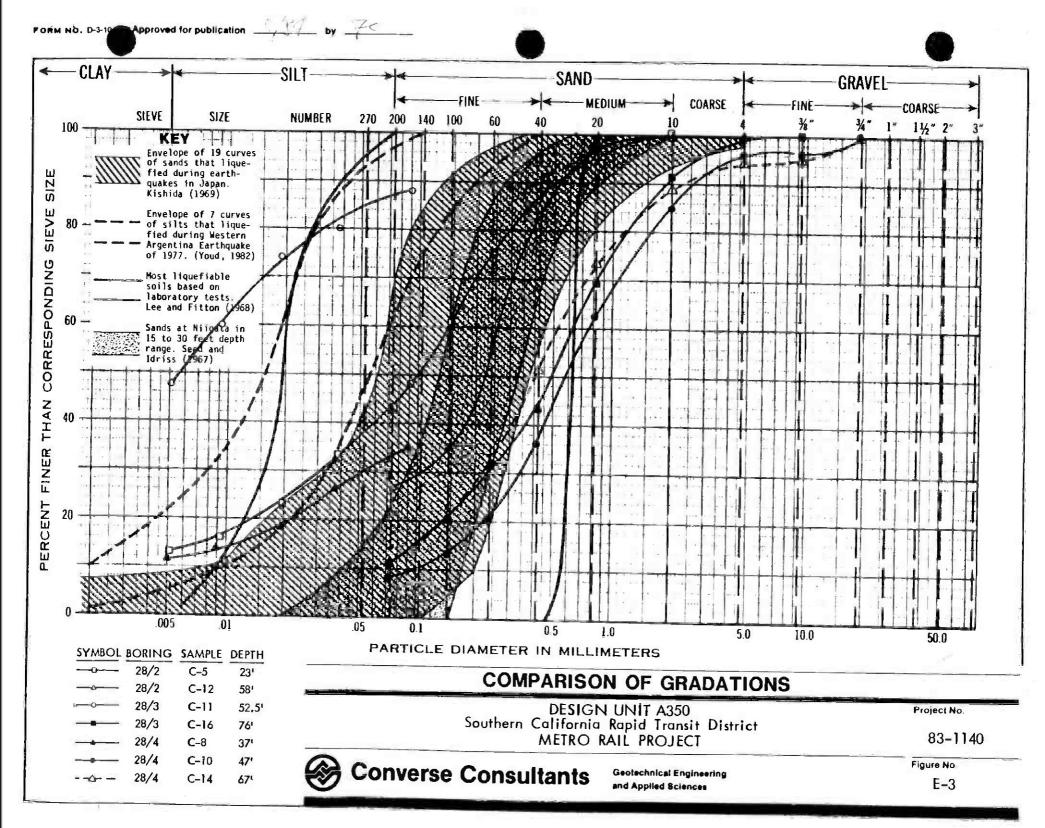
## E.3.4 Conclusions

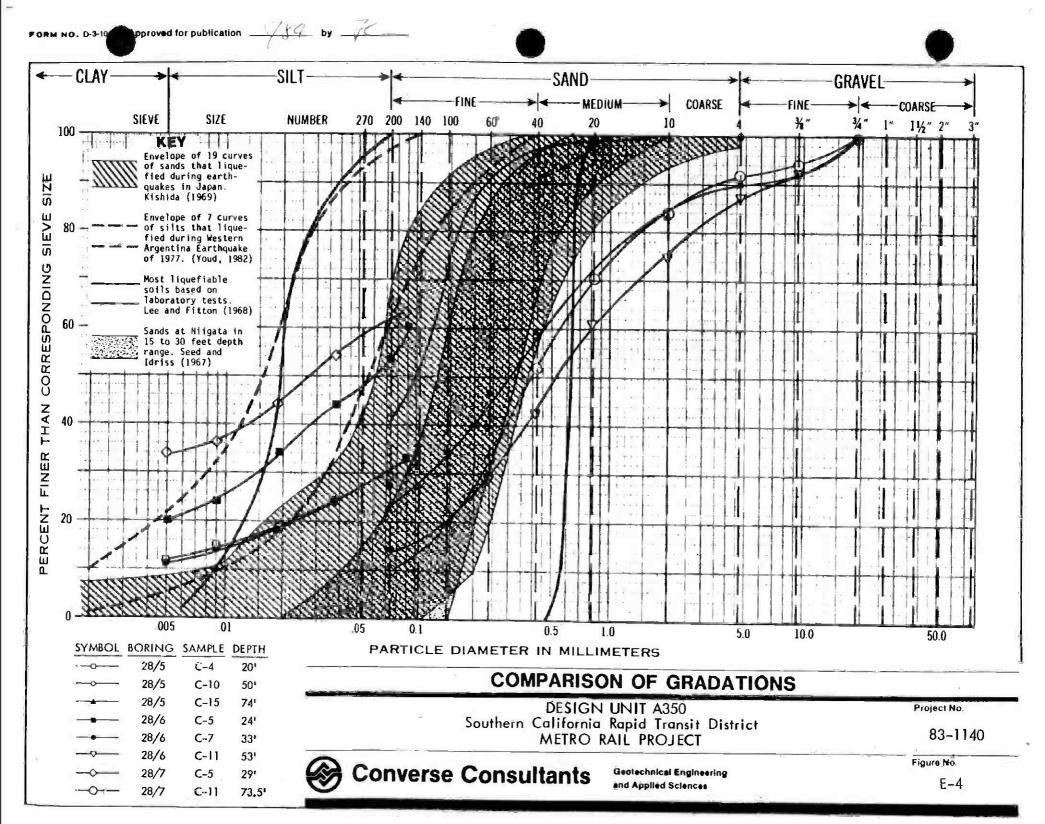
Based on the above considerations and comparisons, it is our judgement that the fine-grained (clayey) alluvial soil deposits would have low liquefaction potential during ground shaking from both the operating design earthquake (ODE) and the maximum design earthquake (MDE). The layers of granular alluvium within the clay soil matrix have a low potential for liquefaction during the ODE; however, localized zones would likely liquefy during the MDE event. In our opinion, liquefaction of the granular alluvium would not result in catastrophic changes in the overall dynamic soil loads on the structure because most of the alluvium is dense and the fine-grained soils are expected to maintain their integrity during the MDE.











# Appendix F

# Earthwork Recommendations

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The following guidelines are recommended for earthwork associated with site development. Recommendations for dewatering and major temporary excavations are presented in the text sections 6.2 and 6.4, respectively.

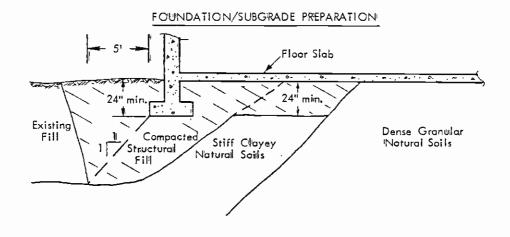
- Site Preparation (surface structures): Existing vegetation, debris, and soft or loose soils should be stripped from the areas that are to be graded. Soils containing more than 1% by weight of organics may be re-used in planter areas, but should not be used for fill beneath building and paved areas. Organic debris, trash, and rubble should be removed from the site. Subsoil conditions on the site may vary from those encountered in the borings. Therefore, the soils engineer should observe the prepared graded area prior to the placement of fill.
- Minor Construction Excavations: Temporary dry excavations for foundations or utilities may be made vertically to depths up to 5 feet. For deeper dry excavations in existing fill or natural materials up to 15 feet, excavations should be sloped no steeper than 1:1 (horizontal to vertical). Recommendations for major shored excavations are presented in Section 6.4.
- Structural Fill and Backfill: Where required for support of near surface foundations or where subterranean walls and/or footings require backfilling, excavated onsite granular soils or imported granular soils are suitable for use as structural fill. Loose soil, formwork and debris should be removed prior to backfilling the walls. Onsite soils or imported granular soils should be placed and compacted in accordance with "Recommended Specifications for Fill Compaction". In deep fill areas or fill areas for support of settlement-sensitive structures, compaction requirements should be increased from the normal 90% to 95% or 100% of the maximum dry density to reduce fill settlement.

Where space limitations do not allow for conventional backfill compaction operations, special backfill materials and procedures may be required. Sand-cement slurry, pea gravel or other selected backfill can be used in limited space areas. Sand-cement slurry should contain at least 1-1/2 sacks cement per cubic yard. Pea gravel should be placed in a moist condition or should be wetted at the time of placement. Densification should be accomplished by vibratory equipment; e.g., hand-operated mechanical compactor, backhoe mounted hydraulic compactor, or concrete vibrator. Lift thickness should be consistent with the type of compactor used. However, lifts should never exceed 5 feet. A soils engineer experienced in the placement of pea gravel should observe the placement and densification procedures to render an opinion as to the adequate densification of the pea gravel.

If granular backfill or pea gravel is placed in an area of surface drainage, the backfill should be capped with at least 18 inches of relatively impervious type soil; i.e., silt-clay soils.

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Poundation Preparation: Where foundations for near surface appurtenant structures are underlain by existing fill soils, the existing fill should be excavated and replaced with a zone of properly compacted structural fill. The zone of structural fill should extend to undisturbed dense or stiff natural soils. Horizontal limits of the structural fill zone should extend out from the footing edge a distance equal to 5 feet or 1/2 the depth of the zone beneath the footing (a 1:1 ratio), whichever is larger. The structural fill should be placed and compacted as recommended under "Structural Fill and Backfill".



- <sup>o</sup> <u>Subgrade Preparation</u>: Concrete slabs-on-grade at the subterraneam levels may be supported directly on undisturbed dense materials. The subgrade should be proof rolled to detect soft or disturbed areas, and such areas should be excavated and replaced with structural fill. If existing fill soils are encountered in near surface subgrade areas, these materials should be excavated and replaced with properly compacted granular fill. Where clayey natural soils (near existing grade) are exposed in the subgrade, these soils should be excavated to a depth of 24 inches below the subgrade level and replaced with properly compacted granular fill. Where dense natural granular soils are exposed at slab subgrade, the slab may be supported directly on these soils. All structural fill for support of slabs or mats should be placed and compacted as recommended under "Structural Fill and Backfill".
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Site Drainage</u>: Adequate positive draimage should be provided away from the surface structures to prevent water from ponding and to reduce percolation of water into the subsoils. A desirable slope for surface drainage is 2% in landscaped areas and 1% in paved areas. Planters and landscaped areas adjacent to the surface structures should be designed to minimize water infiltration into the subsoils.
- <sup>°</sup> <u>Utility Trenches</u>: Buried utility conduits should be bedded and backfilled around the conduit in accordance with the project specifications. Where conduit underlies concrete slabs-on-grade and pavement, the

remaining trench backfill above the pipe should be placed and compacted in accordance with "Structural Fill and Backfill".

Recommended Specifications for Fill Compaction: The following specifications are recommended to provide a basis for quality control during the placement of compacted fill.

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- 1. All areas that are to receive compacted fill shall be observed by the soils engineer prior to the placement of fill.
- 2. Soil surfaces that will receive compacted fill shall be scarified to a depth of at least 6inches. The scarified soil shall be moistureconditioned to obtain soil moisture near optimum moisture content. The scarified soil shall be compacted to a minimum relative compaction of 90%. Relative compaction is defined as the ratio of the implace soil density to the maximum dry density as determined by the ASTM D1557-70 compaction test method.
- 3. Fill shall be placed in controlled Tayers the thickness of which is compatible with the type of compaction equipment used. The thickness of the compacted fill layer shall not exceed the maximum allowable thickness of 8 inches. Each layer shall be compacted to a minimum relative compaction of 90%. The field density of the compacted soil shall be determined by the ASTM D1556-64 test method or equivalent.
- 4. Fill soils shall comsist of excavated onsite soils essentially cleaned of organic and deleterious material or imported soils approved by the soils engineer. All imported soil shall be granular and non-expansive or of low expansion potential (plasticity index less than 15%). The soils engineer shall evaluate and/or test the import material for its conformance with the specifications prior to its delivery to the site. The contractor shall notify the soils engineer 72 hours prior to importing the fill to the site. Rocks larger than 6 inches in diameter shall not be used unless they are broken down.
- 5. The soils engineer shall observe the placement of compacted fill and conduct implace field density tests on the compacted fill to check for adequate moisture content and the required relative compaction. Where less than 90% relative compaction is indicated, additional compactive effort shall be applied and the soil moisture-conditioned as necessary until 90% relative compaction is attained. The contractor shall provide level testing pads for the soils engineer to conduct the field density tests on.