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1.0 Introduction

Paterson Group (Paterson) was commissioned by Apetito Hfs Ltd. to conduct a geotechnical investigation for the proposed building expansions to be located at 1010 Dairy Drive in the City of Ottawa (refer to Figure 1 - Key Plan in Appendix 2 of this report).

The objectives of the geotechnical investigation were to:

- Determine the subsoil and groundwater conditions at this site by means of test holes.
- Provide geotechnical recommendations pertaining to design of the proposed development including construction considerations which may affect the design.

The following report has been prepared specifically and solely for the aforementioned project which is described herein. It contains our findings and includes geotechnical recommendations pertaining to the design and construction of the subject development as they are understood at the time of writing this report.

Investigating the presence or potential presence of contamination on the subject property was not part of the scope of work of the present investigation. Therefore, the present report does not address environmental issues.

2.0 Proposed Development

Based on the available drawings, it is understood that the proposed development will consist of a two-phase expansion, consisting of approximate 550 m² and 750 m² slab-on-grade additions to the northeast end of the existing building.

3.0 Method of Investigation

3.1 Field Investigation

Field Program

The field program for the current geotechnical investigation was carried out on June 18 and June 21, 2021 and consisted of a total of 6 boreholes advanced to a maximum depth of 6.7 m below existing grade. The test hole locations were distributed in a manner to provide general coverage of the subject site and taking into consideration underground utilities and site features. The borehole locations are shown on Drawing PG5861-1 - Test Hole Location Plan included in Appendix 2.

The boreholes were drilled with a low-clearance drill rig operated by a two-person crew. All fieldwork was conducted under the full-time supervision of Paterson personnel under the direction of a senior engineer. The drilling procedure consisted of advancing each test hole to the required depths or practical refusal at the selected locations and sampling and testing the overburden.

Sampling and In Situ Testing

The soil samples were recovered from the auger flights and using a 50 mm diameter split-spoon sampler. The samples were initially classified on site, placed in sealed plastic bags, and transported to our laboratory. The depths at which the auger, and split-spoon samples were recovered from the boreholes are shown as AU, and SS, respectively, on the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1.

The Standard Penetration Test (SPT) was conducted in conjunction with the recovery of the split-spoon samples. The SPT results are recorded as “N” values on the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets. The “N” value is the number of blows required to drive the split-spoon sampler 300 mm into the soil after a 150 mm initial penetration using a 63.5 kg hammer falling from a height of 760 mm.

Undrained shear strength testing, using a vane apparatus, was carried out at regular intervals of depth in cohesive soils.

The overburden thickness was also evaluated during the course of the investigation by dynamic cone penetration testing (DCPT) at borehole BH 3-21. The DCPT consists of driving a steel drill rod, equipped with a 50 mm diameter cone at its tip, using a 63.5 kg hammer falling from a height of 760 mm. The number of blows required to drive the cone into the soil is recorded for each 300 mm increment.

The subsurface conditions observed in the test pits were recorded in detail in the field. The soil profiles are logged on the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1 of this report.

Groundwater

Flexible polyethylene standpipes were installed within all boreholes to permit monitoring of the groundwater levels subsequent to the completion of the sampling program.

Sample Storage

All samples will be stored in the laboratory for a period of one (1) month after issuance of this report. They will then be discarded unless we are otherwise directed.

3.2 Field Survey

The test pit locations were selected by Paterson to provide general coverage of the proposed development, taking into consideration the existing site features and underground utilities. The test hole locations and ground surface elevation at each test hole location were surveyed by Paterson using a handheld GPS and referenced to a geodetic datum. The location of the boreholes and ground surface elevation at each test hole location are presented on Drawing PG5861-1 - Test Hole Location Plan in Appendix 2.

3.3 Laboratory Testing

Soil samples were recovered from the subject site and visually examined in our laboratory to review the results of the field logging.

3.4 Analytical Testing

One (1) soil sample was submitted for analytical testing to assess the corrosion potential for exposed ferrous metals and the potential of sulphate attacks against subsurface concrete structures. The sample collected from borehole BH 1-21. The sample was submitted to determine the concentration of sulphate and chloride, the resistivity, and the pH of the samples. The results are presented in Appendix 1 and are discussed further in Section 6.7.

4.0 Observations

4.1 Surface Conditions

The subject site is currently occupied by an existing industrial building with asphalt-paved loading docks located on the north and south sides of the building. Asphalt-paved parking areas and access lanes are located on the east and west sides of the building, with landscaped margins located immediately around portions of the building and property boundaries.

The site is bordered by Dairy Drive to the north and east, old Montreal Road to the south, and an undeveloped land followed by Trim Road to the west. The subject site is at grade with the surrounding roadways at approximate geodetic elevation of 59.5 to 60.5 m.

4.2 Subsurface Profile

Overburden

Generally, the subsurface profile encountered at the borehole locations consists of topsoil underlain by a layer of fill, over a deep deposit of silty clay.

The fill extended to approximate depths of 0.8 to 1.5 m below the existing ground surface, and was generally observed to consist of brown silty sand and/or silty clay with crushed stone and occasional topsoil.

The deep silty clay deposit consisted of a brown, very stiff silty clay crust, becoming stiff and grey at a depth range of approximately 3.6 to 4.6 m below ground surface.

Practical refusal to the DCPT in BH 3-21 was not encountered at a depth of 27.4 m.

Reference should be made to the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1 for details of the soil profiles encountered at each test hole location.

Bedrock

Based on available geological mapping, the bedrock in the subject area consists of interbedded limestone and dolomite of the Gull River, with an overburden drift thickness of 15 to 25 m depth.

4.3 Groundwater

Groundwater levels were measured in the standpipes installed in the boreholes upon completion of the sampling program. The measured groundwater levels are presented in Table 1 below and on the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1:

Table 1 – Summary of Groundwater Levels				
Borehole Number	Ground Surface Elevation (m)	Measured Groundwater Level		Dated Recorded
		Depth (m)	Elevation (m)	
BH 1-1	60.82	1.29	59.53	June 25, 2021
BH 2-21	60.72	1.51	59.21	June 25, 2021
BH 3-21	60.65	2.58	58.07	June 25, 2021
BH 4-21	60.41	2.09	58.32	June 25, 2021
BH 5-21	59.88	5.91	53.97	June 25, 2021
BH 6-21	59.60	2.62	56.98	June 25, 2021
Note: The ground surface elevation at each borehole location was surveyed using a handheld GPS using a geodetic datum.				

It should be noted that groundwater levels can be influenced by surface water infiltrating the backfilled boreholes. Long-term groundwater levels can also be estimated based on the observed colour and consistency of the recovered soil samples. Based on these observations, it is estimated that the long-term groundwater table can be expected at approximately 3 to 4 m below ground surface.

However, it should be noted that groundwater levels are subject to seasonal fluctuations. Therefore, the groundwater level could vary at the time of construction.

5.0 Discussion

5.1 Geotechnical Assessment

From a geotechnical perspective, the subject site is considered suitable for the proposed development. It is recommended that the proposed building expansions be founded on conventional spread footings placed on an undisturbed, stiff silty clay bearing surface.

A permissible grade raise restriction is required for the subject site due to the presence of a deep silty clay deposit. However, it is expected that finished grades around the expansions will be close to the existing grades.

The above and other considerations are discussed in the following sections.

5.2 Site Grading and Preparation

Stripping Depth

Topsoil should be stripped from under any buildings and other settlement sensitive structures.

It is anticipated that the existing fill within the proposed building expansion footprints, free of deleterious material and significant amounts of organics, can be left in place below the proposed building expansion footprints outside of lateral support zones for the footings. However, it is recommended that the existing fill layer be proof-rolled several times under dry conditions and above freezing temperatures and approved by Paterson personnel at the time of construction. Any poor performing areas noted during the proof-rolling operation should be removed and replaced with an approved fill.

Fill Placement

Fill placed for grading beneath the building areas should consist, unless otherwise specified, of clean imported granular fill, such as Ontario Provincial Standard Specifications (OPSS) Granular A or Granular B Type II. The imported fill material should be tested and approved prior to delivery. The fill should be placed in maximum 300 mm thick loose lifts and compacted by suitable compaction equipment. Fill placed beneath the building should be compacted to a minimum of 98% of the standard Proctor maximum dry density (SPMDD).

Non-specified existing fill along with site-excavated soil could be placed as general landscaping fill where settlement of the ground surface is of minor concern. These materials should be spread in lifts with a maximum thickness of 300 mm and compacted by the tracks of the spreading equipment to minimize voids. Non-specified existing fill and site-excavated soils are not suitable for placement as backfill against foundation walls, unless used in conjunction with a geocomposite drainage membrane, such as Miradrain G100N or Delta Drain 6000.

5.3 Foundation Design

Strip footings, up to 3 m wide, and pad footings, up to 5 m wide, placed on an undisturbed, stiff silty clay bearing surface can be designed using a bearing resistance value at serviceability limit states (SLS) of **200 kPa**, and a factored bearing resistance value at ultimate limit states (ULS) of **300 kPa** which incorporates a geotechnical factor of 0.5.

An undisturbed soil bearing surface consists of one from which all topsoil and deleterious materials, such as loose, frozen, or disturbed soil, have been removed, in the dry, prior to the placement of concrete footings.

Footings bearing on an undisturbed soil bearing surface and designed using the bearing resistance values provided above will be subjected to potential post-construction total and differential settlements of 25 and 20 mm, respectively.

As a general procedure, it is recommended that the footings for the proposed building expansions that are located adjacent to the existing structure be founded at the same level as the existing footings. This accomplishes three objectives. First, the behaviour of the two structures at their connection will be similar due to the similar bearing medium. Second, there will be minimal stress added to the existing structure from the new structure. Third, the bearing of the new structure will not be influenced by any backfill from the existing structure.

Lateral Support

The bearing medium under footing-supported structures is required to be provided with adequate lateral support with respect to excavations and different foundation levels. Adequate lateral support is provided to stiff silty clay above the groundwater table when a plane extending horizontally and vertically from the underside of the footing at a minimum of 1.5H:1V passes only through in situ soil of the same or higher capacity as that of the bearing medium.

Permissible Grade Raise

Considering the close proximity of the proposed building to the property line, placement of additional fill surrounding the building is not anticipated. However, a permissible grade raise restriction of **2.5 m** can be used for design purposes.

5.4 Design for Earthquakes

The site class for seismic site response can be taken as **Class D** for the foundations considered at the subject site. The soils underlying the subject site are not susceptible to liquefaction. Reference should be made to the latest revision of the 2012 Ontario Building Code for a full discussion of the earthquake design requirements.

5.5 Slab-on-Grade Construction

With the removal of all topsoil and deleterious fill within the footprint of the proposed building, the existing fill or native soil surface will be considered an acceptable subgrade upon which to commence backfilling for floor slab construction. It is recommended that the existing fill layer, free of deleterious and organic material, be proof-rolled several times and approved by the geotechnical consultant at the time of construction.

Any soft areas should be removed and backfilled with appropriate backfill material. OPSS Granular B Type II is recommended for backfilling below the floor slab. All backfill materials within the footprint of the proposed building should be placed in maximum 300 mm loose lifts and compact to at least 98% of the material's SPMDD.

5.6 Pavement Design

Car only parking areas, access lanes and heavy truck parking areas are expected at this site. The subgrade material will consist of native soil or fill. The proposed pavement structures are presented in Tables 2 and 3.

If soft spots develop in the subgrade during compaction or due to construction traffic, the affected areas should be excavated and replaced with OPSS Granular B Type I or II material.

Table 2 – Recommended Pavement Structure – Car Only Parking Areas	
Thickness (mm)	Material Description
50	Wear Course – HL-3 or Superpave 12.5 Asphaltic Concrete
150	BASE – OPSS Granular A Crushed Stone
300	SUBBASE – OPSS Granular B Type II
Subgrade – Either fill, in-situ soil, or OPSS Granular B Type I or II material placed over in-situ soil or fill.	

Table 3 – Recommended Pavement Structure – Access Lanes and Heavy Truck Parking Areas	
Thickness (mm)	Material Description
40	Wear Course – HL-3 or Superpave 12.5 Asphaltic Concrete
50	Wear Course – HL-8 or Superpave 19 Asphaltic Concrete
150	BASE – OPSS Granular A Crushed Stone
450	SUBBASE – OPSS Granular B Type II
Subgrade – Either fill, in-situ soil, or OPSS Granular B Type I or II material placed over in-situ soil or fill.	

Minimum Performance Graded (PG) 58-34 asphalt cement should be used for this project. The pavement granular base and subbase should be placed in maximum 300 mm thick lifts and compacted to a minimum of 100% of the material's SPMDD using suitable compaction equipment.

Pavement Structure Drainage

Satisfactory performance of the pavement structure is largely dependent on keeping the contact zone between the subgrade material and the base stone in a dry condition. Failure to provide adequate drainage under conditions of heavy wheel loading can result in the fine subgrade soil being pumped into the voids in the stone subbase, thereby reducing its load carrying capacity.

Due to the impervious nature of the subgrade materials, consideration should be given to installing subdrains during the pavement construction. These drains should extend in four orthogonal directions or longitudinally when placed along a curb. The clear crushed stone surrounding the drainage lines or the pipe, should be wrapped with suitable filter cloth. The subdrain inverts should be approximately 300 mm below subgrade level. The subgrade surface should be shaped to promote water flow to the drainage lines.

6.0 Design and Construction Precautions

6.1 Foundation Drainage and Backfill

Foundation Drainage

A perimeter foundation drainage system is considered optional for the proposed building. The system, if implemented, should consist of a 100 to 150 mm diameter perforated and corrugated plastic pipe, surrounded on all sides by 150 mm of 19 mm clear crushed stone which is placed at the footing level around the exterior perimeter of the structure. The clear crushed stone should be wrapped in a non-woven geotextile. The pipe should have a positive outlet, such as a gravity connection to the existing building's perimeter drainage system, if present, or to the storm sewer.

Foundation Backfill

Where space is available, backfill against the exterior sides of the foundation walls should consist of free-draining, non-frost susceptible granular materials. The greater part of the site excavated materials will be frost susceptible and, as such, are not recommended for re-use as backfill against the foundation walls, unless used in conjunction with a drainage geocomposite, such as Delta Drain 6000, connected to the perimeter foundation drainage system. Imported granular materials, such as clean sand or OPSS Granular B Type I granular material, should otherwise be used for this purpose.

6.2 Protection of Footings Against Frost Action

Perimeter footings of heated structures are required to be insulated against the deleterious effects of frost action. A minimum 1.5 m thick soil cover, or an equivalent combination of soil cover and foundation insulation, should be provided in this regard.

Other exterior unheated footings, such as those for isolated exterior piers, are more prone to deleterious movement associated with frost action. These should be provided with a minimum 2.1 m thick soil cover, or an equivalent combination of soil cover and foundation insulation, should be provided in this regard.

6.3 Excavation Side Slopes

The side slopes of excavations in the overburden materials should be either cut back at acceptable slopes or should be retained by shoring systems from the start of the excavation until the structure is backfilled.

However, it is expected that sufficient room will be available for the greater part of the excavation to be undertaken by open-cut methods (i.e. unsupported excavations).

The excavation side slopes above the groundwater level extending to a maximum depth of 3 m should be cut back at 1H:1V or flatter. The flatter slope is required for excavation below groundwater level. The subsoil at this site is considered to be mainly a Type 2 and 3 soil according to the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations for Construction Projects.

Excavated soil should not be stockpiled directly at the top of excavations and heavy equipment should be kept away from the excavation sides.

Slopes in excess of 3 m in height should be periodically inspected by the geotechnical consultant in order to detect if the slopes are exhibiting signs of distress.

It is recommended that a trench box be used at all times to protect personnel working in trenches with steep or vertical sides. It is expected that services will be installed by "cut and cover" methods and excavations will not be left open for extended periods of time.

6.4 Pipe Bedding and Backfill

Bedding and backfill materials should be in accordance with the most recent Material Specifications and Standard Detail Drawings from the Department of Public Works and Services, Infrastructure Services Branch of the City of Ottawa.

The pipe bedding for sewer and water pipes should consist of at least 150 mm of OPSS Granular A material. Where the bedding is located within the very stiff to stiff silty clay, the thickness of the bedding should be increased to a minimum of 300 mm.

The bedding and cover materials should be placed in maximum 300 mm thick lifts compacted to 95% of the material's standard Proctor maximum dry density. The bedding material should extend at least to the spring line of the pipe.

The cover material, which should consist of OPSS Granular A, should extend from the spring line of the pipe to at least 300 mm above the obvert of the pipe. The material should be placed in maximum 300 mm thick loose lifts and compacted to a minimum of 95% of its SPMDD.

It should generally be possible to re-use the upper portion of the dry to moist (not wet) brown silty clay above the cover material if the excavation and filling operations are carried out in dry weather conditions. Wet silty clay materials will be difficult to re-use, as the high-water contents make compacting impractical without an extensive drying period.

The backfill material within the frost zone (about 1.8 m below finished grade) should match the soils exposed at the trench walls to reduce potential differential frost heaving. The backfill should be placed in maximum 225 mm thick loose lifts and compacted to a minimum of 95% of the material's SPMDD.

6.5 Groundwater Control

Based on our observations, it is anticipated that groundwater infiltration into the excavations should be low and controllable using open sumps. Pumping from open sumps should be sufficient to control the groundwater influx through the sides of shallow excavations. The contractor should be prepared to direct water away from all bearing surfaces and subgrades, regardless of the source, to prevent disturbance to the founding medium.

A temporary Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) permit to take water (PTTW) may be required for this project if more than 400,000 L/day of ground and/or surface water is to be pumped during the construction phase. A minimum 4 to 5 months should be allowed for completion of the PTTW application package and issuance of the permit by the MECP.

For typical ground or surface water volumes being pumped during the construction phase, typically between 50,000 to 400,000 L/day, it is required to register on the Environmental Activity and Sector Registry (EASR). A minimum of two to four weeks should be allotted for completion of the EASR registration and the Water Taking and Discharge Plan to be prepared by a Qualified Person as stipulated under O.Reg. 63/16. If a project qualifies for a PTTW based upon anticipated conditions, an EASR will not be allowed as a temporary dewatering measure while awaiting the MECP review of the PTTW application.

Impacts on Neighbouring Properties

As the proposed building expansions will be slab-on-grade structures, and due to the depth of the groundwater level encountered at the subject site, groundwater lowering is not anticipated during construction or the permanent condition.

It should be noted that no issues are expected that would cause long term adverse effects to adjacent structures in the vicinity of the proposed building.

6.6 Winter Construction

Precautions must be taken if winter construction is considered for this project.

The subsoil conditions at this site consist of frost susceptible materials. In the presence of water and freezing conditions, ice could form within the soil mass. Heaving and settlement upon thawing could occur.

In the event of construction during below zero temperatures, the founding stratum should be protected from freezing temperatures by the use of straw, propane heaters and tarpaulins or other suitable means. In this regard, the base of the excavations should be insulated from sub-zero temperatures immediately upon exposure and until such time as heat is adequately supplied to the building and the footings are protected with sufficient soil cover to prevent freezing at founding level.

Trench excavations and pavement construction are also difficult activities to complete during freezing conditions without introducing frost in the subgrade or in the excavation walls and bottoms. Precautions should be taken if such activities are to be carried out during freezing conditions. Additional information could be provided, if required.

6.7 Corrosion Potential and Sulphate

The results of analytical testing show that the sulphate content is less than 0.1%. This result is indicative that Type 10 Portland cement (normal cement) would be appropriate for this site. The chloride content and the pH of the sample indicate that they are not significant factors in creating a corrosive environment for exposed ferrous metals at this site, whereas the resistivity is indicative of a moderate to aggressive corrosive environment.

6.8 Landscaping Considerations

The proposed building expansions are located in a moderate to high sensitivity area with respect to tree plantings over a silty clay deposit. It is recommended that trees placed within 7.5 m of the foundation wall consist of low water demanding trees with shallow root systems that extend less than 1 m below ground surface. Trees placed greater than 7.5 m from the foundation wall may consist of typical street trees, which are typically moderate water demand species with roots extending to a maximum 2 m depth.

It is well documented in the literature, and is our experience, that fast-growing trees located near buildings founded on cohesive soils that shrink on drying can result in long-term differential settlements of the structures. Tree varieties that have the most pronounced effect on foundations are seen to consist of poplars, willows and some maples (i.e. Manitoba Maples) and, as such, they should not be considered in the landscaping design.

7.0 Recommendations

It is a requirement for the foundation design data provided herein to be applicable that the following material testing and observation program be performed by the geotechnical consultant.

- Review of the site grading plan(s) from a geotechnical perspective, once available.
- Review of architectural and structural drawings to ensure adequate frost protection is provided to the subsoil.
- Observation of all bearing surfaces prior to the placement of concrete.
- Sampling and testing of the concrete and fill materials.
- Periodic observation of the condition of unsupported excavation side slopes in excess of 3 m in height, if applicable.
- Observation of all subgrades prior to backfilling.
- Field density tests to determine the level of compaction achieved.
- Sampling and testing of the bituminous concrete including mix design reviews.

A report confirming that these works have been conducted in general accordance with our recommendations could be issued upon the completion of a satisfactory inspection program by the geotechnical consultant.

8.0 Statement of Limitations

The recommendations provided are in accordance with the present understanding of the project. Paterson requests permission to review the recommendations when the drawings and specifications are completed.

A soils investigation is a limited sampling of a site. Should any conditions at the site be encountered which differ from those at the test locations, Paterson requests immediate notification to permit reassessment of our recommendations.

The recommendations provided herein should only be used by the design professionals associated with this project. They are not intended for contractors bidding on or undertaking the work. The latter should evaluate the factual information provided in this report and determine the suitability and completeness for their intended construction schedule and methods. Additional testing may be required for their purposes.

The present report applies only to the project described in this document. Use of this report for purposes other than those described herein or by person(s) other than Apetito Hfs Ltd. or their agents is not authorized without review by Paterson for the applicability of our recommendations to the alternative use of the report.

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APPENDIX 1

SOIL PROFILE AND TEST DATA SHEETS

SYMBOLS AND TERMS

ANALYTICAL TESTING RESULTS

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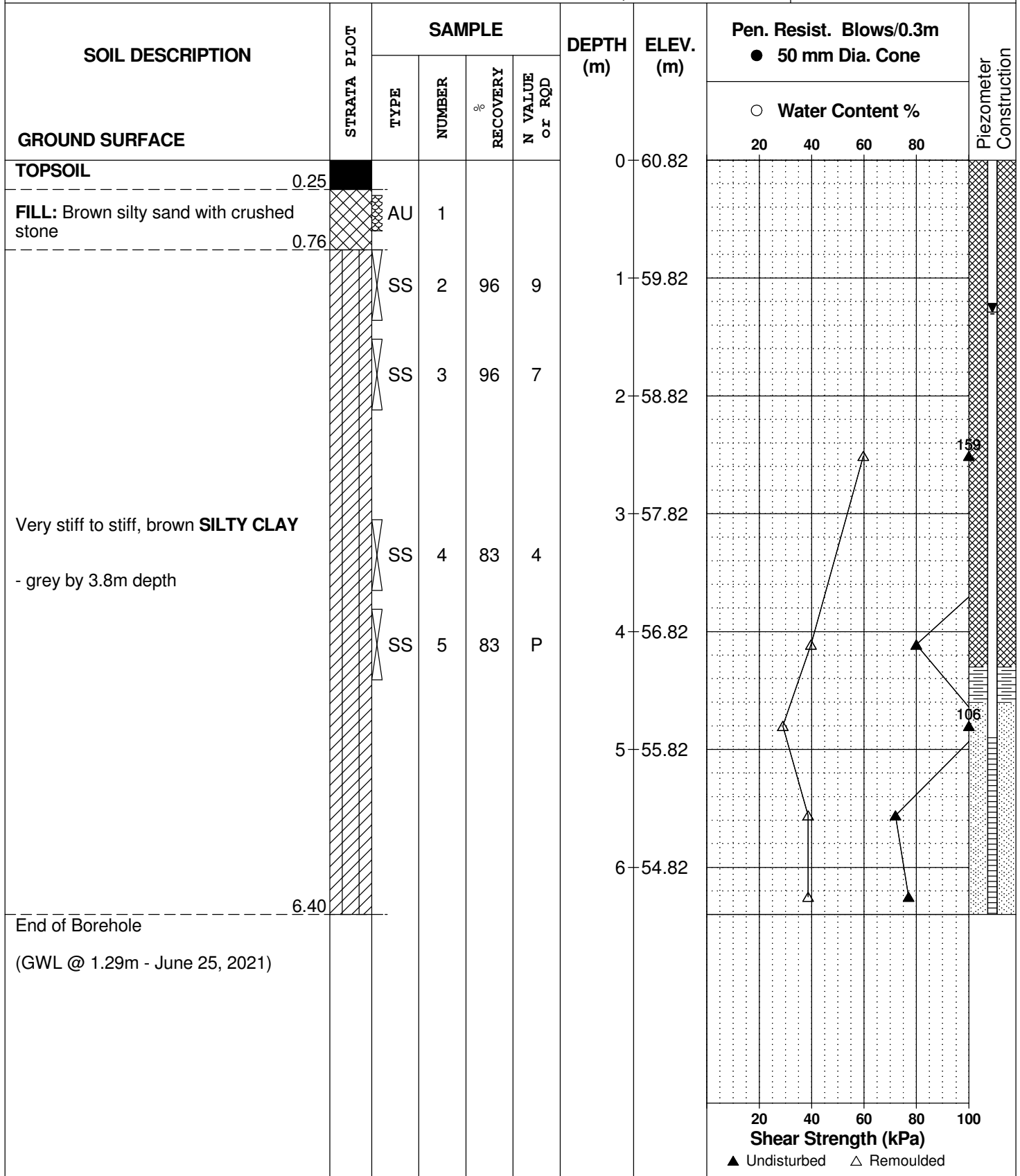
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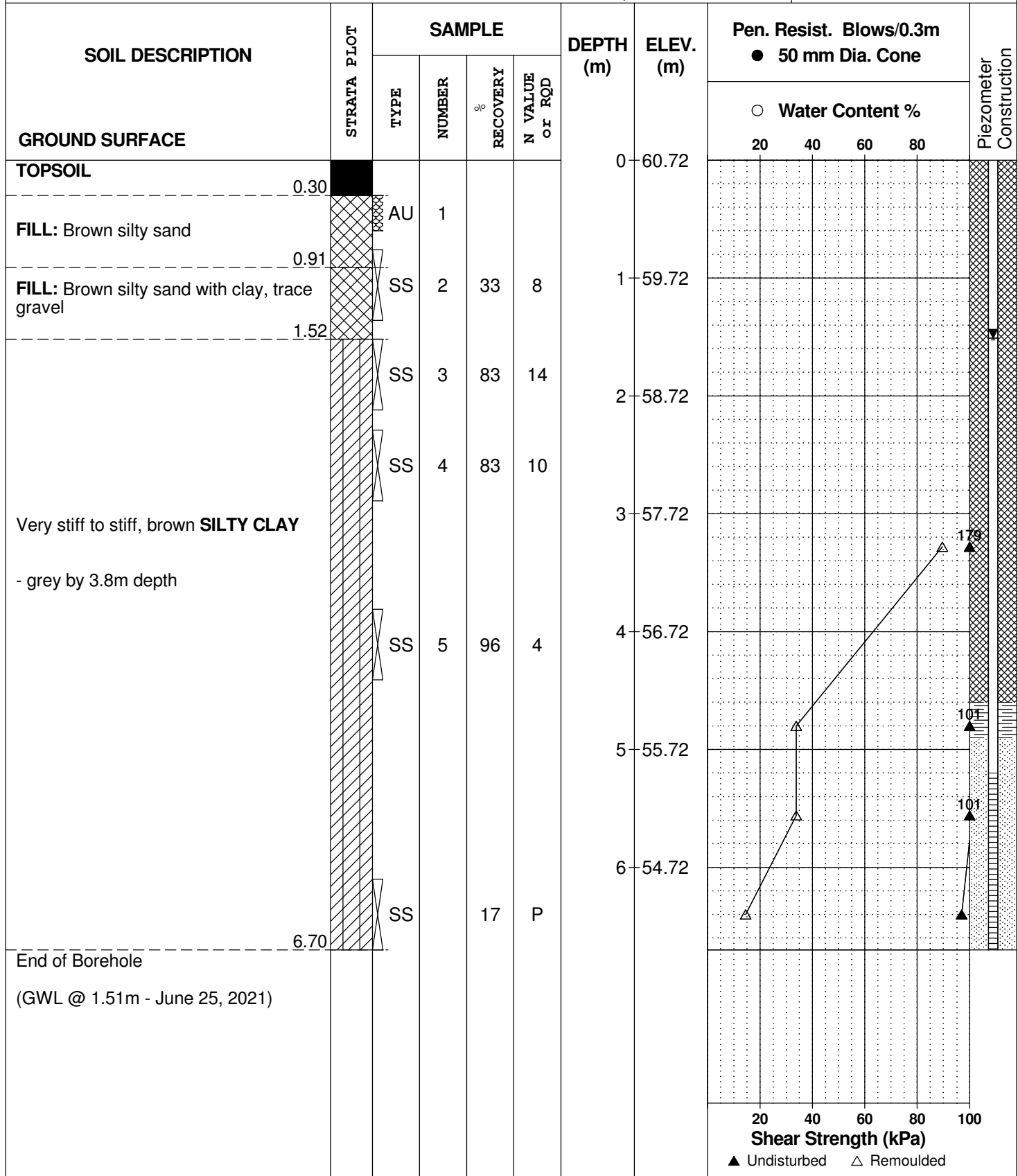
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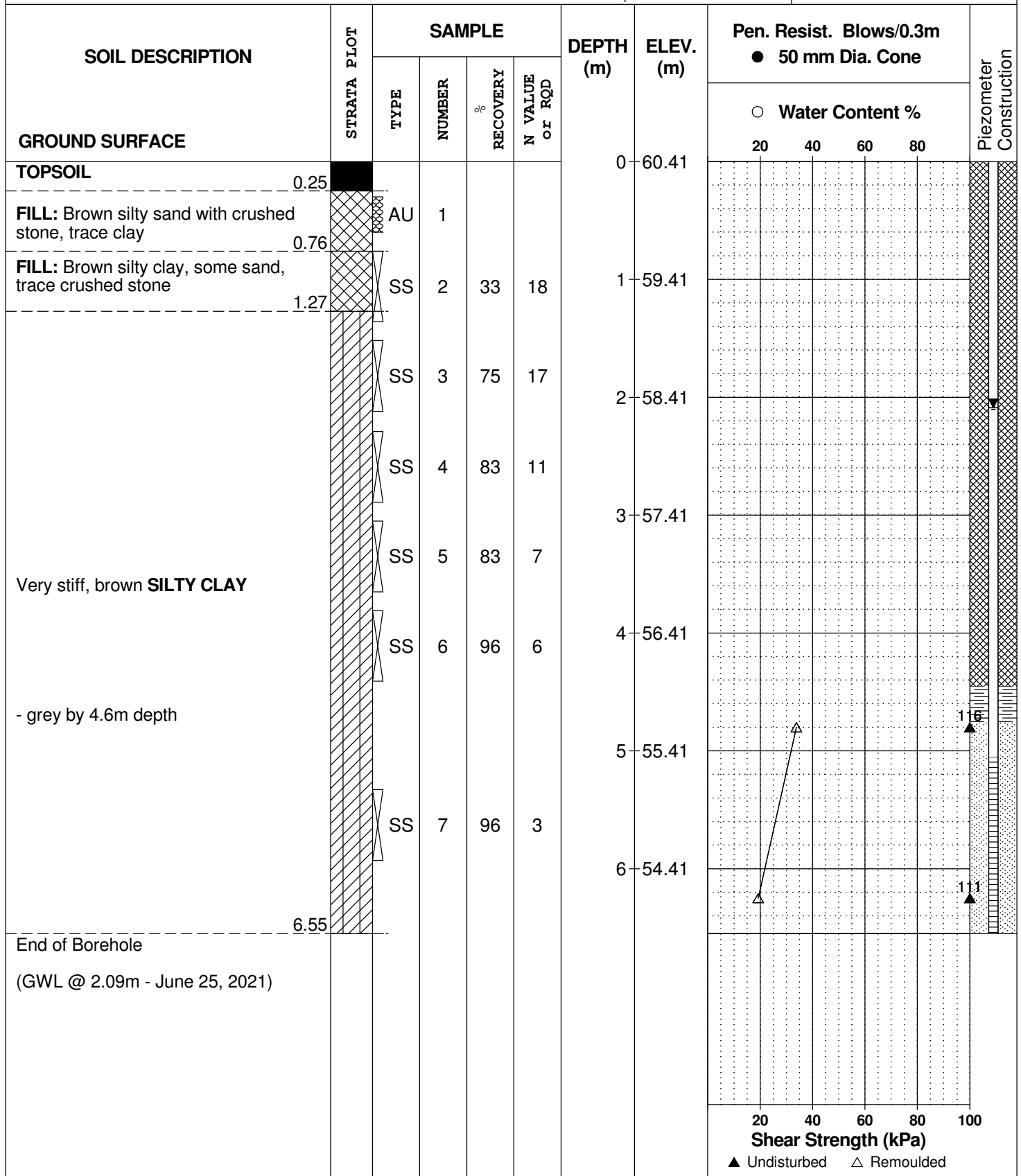
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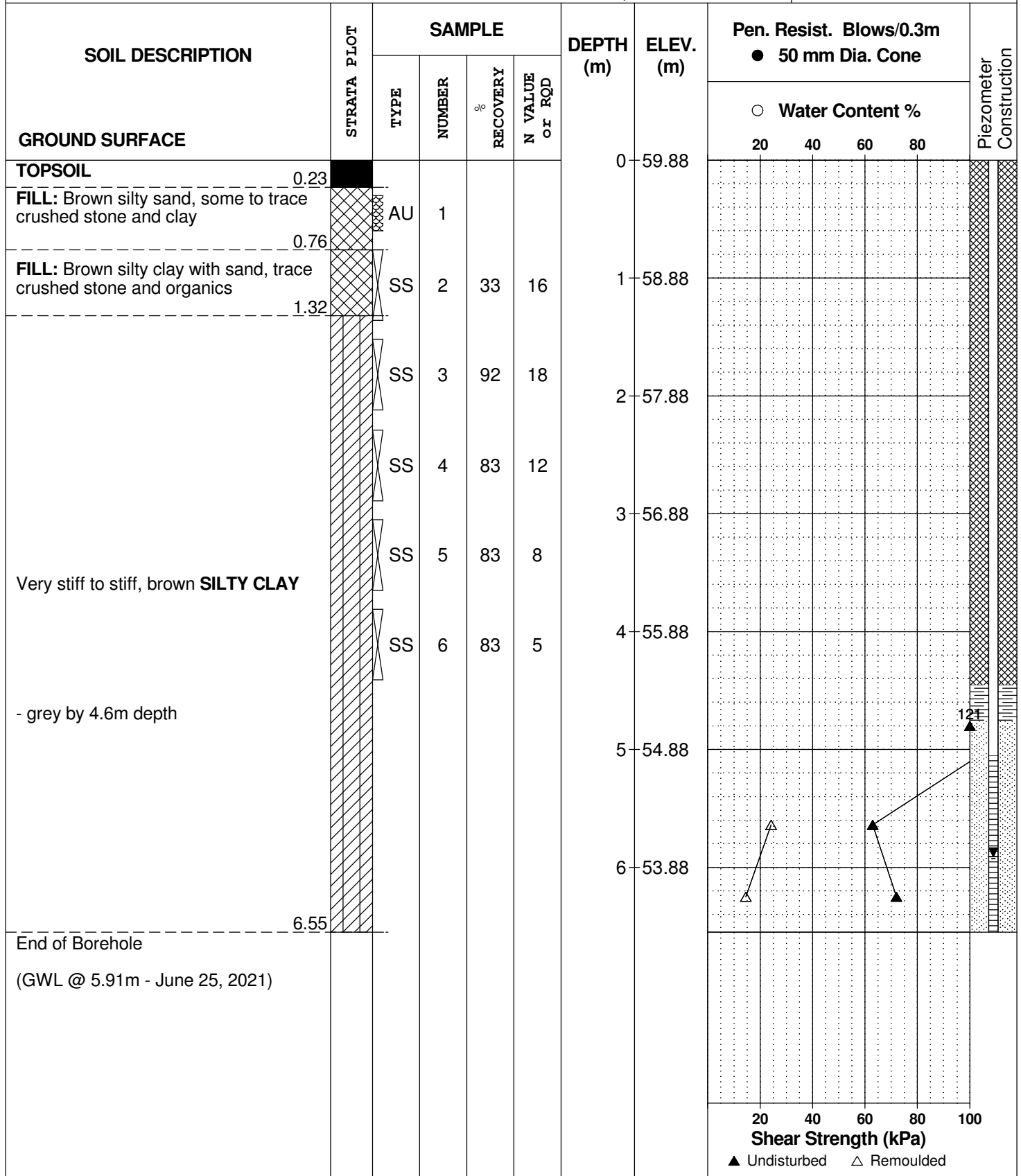
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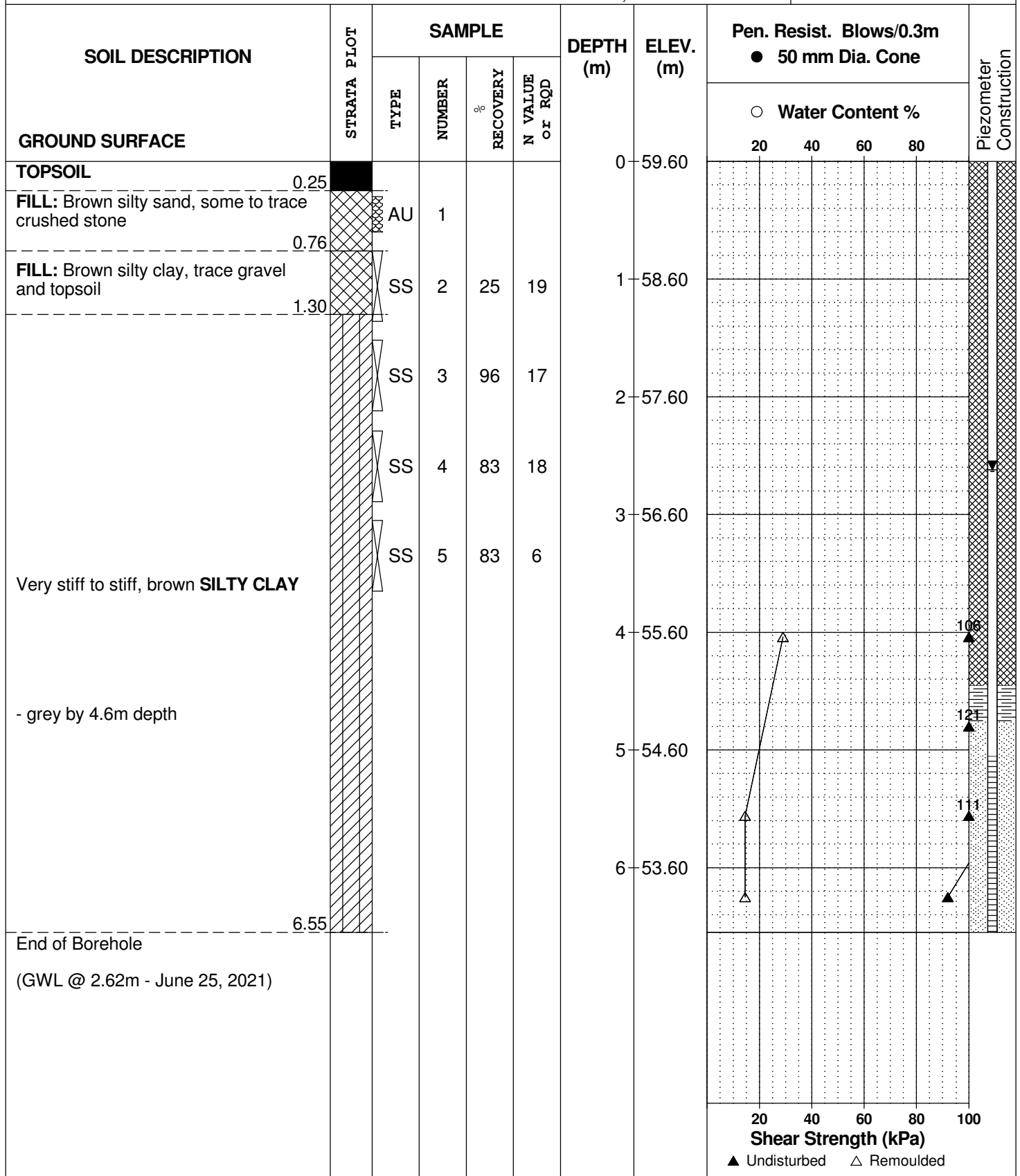
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SYMBOLS AND TERMS

SOIL DESCRIPTION

Behavioural properties, such as structure and strength, take precedence over particle gradation in describing soils. Terminology describing soil structure are as follows:

Desiccated	-	having visible signs of weathering by oxidation of clay minerals, shrinkage cracks, etc.
Fissured	-	having cracks, and hence a blocky structure.
Varved	-	composed of regular alternating layers of silt and clay.
Stratified	-	composed of alternating layers of different soil types, e.g. silt and sand or silt and clay.
Well-Graded	-	Having wide range in grain sizes and substantial amounts of all intermediate particle sizes (see Grain Size Distribution).
Uniformly-Graded	-	Predominantly of one grain size (see Grain Size Distribution).

The standard terminology to describe the strength of cohesionless soils is the relative density, usually inferred from the results of the Standard Penetration Test (SPT) 'N' value. The SPT N value is the number of blows of a 63.5 kg hammer, falling 760 mm, required to drive a 51 mm O.D. split spoon sampler 300 mm into the soil after an initial penetration of 150 mm.

Relative Density	'N' Value	Relative Density %
Very Loose	<4	<15
Loose	4-10	15-35
Compact	10-30	35-65
Dense	30-50	65-85
Very Dense	>50	>85

The standard terminology to describe the strength of cohesive soils is the consistency, which is based on the undisturbed undrained shear strength as measured by the in situ or laboratory vane tests, penetrometer tests, unconfined compression tests, or occasionally by Standard Penetration Tests.

Consistency	Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)	'N' Value
Very Soft	<12	<2
Soft	12-25	2-4
Firm	25-50	4-8
Stiff	50-100	8-15
Very Stiff	100-200	15-30
Hard	>200	>30

SYMBOLS AND TERMS (continued)

SOIL DESCRIPTION (continued)

Cohesive soils can also be classified according to their “sensitivity”. The sensitivity is the ratio between the undisturbed undrained shear strength and the remoulded undrained shear strength of the soil.

Terminology used for describing soil strata based upon texture, or the proportion of individual particle sizes present is provided on the Textural Soil Classification Chart at the end of this information package.

ROCK DESCRIPTION

The structural description of the bedrock mass is based on the Rock Quality Designation (RQD).

The RQD classification is based on a modified core recovery percentage in which all pieces of sound core over 100 mm long are counted as recovery. The smaller pieces are considered to be a result of closely-spaced discontinuities (resulting from shearing, jointing, faulting, or weathering) in the rock mass and are not counted. RQD is ideally determined from NXL size core. However, it can be used on smaller core sizes, such as BX, if the bulk of the fractures caused by drilling stresses (called “mechanical breaks”) are easily distinguishable from the normal in situ fractures.

RQD %	ROCK QUALITY
90-100	Excellent, intact, very sound
75-90	Good, massive, moderately jointed or sound
50-75	Fair, blocky and seamy, fractured
25-50	Poor, shattered and very seamy or blocky, severely fractured
0-25	Very poor, crushed, very severely fractured

SAMPLE TYPES

SS	-	Split spoon sample (obtained in conjunction with the performing of the Standard Penetration Test (SPT))
TW	-	Thin wall tube or Shelby tube
PS	-	Piston sample
AU	-	Auger sample or bulk sample
WS	-	Wash sample
RC	-	Rock core sample (Core bit size AXT, BXL, etc.). Rock core samples are obtained with the use of standard diamond drilling bits.

SYMBOLS AND TERMS (continued)

GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION

MC%	-	Natural moisture content or water content of sample, %
LL	-	Liquid Limit, % (water content above which soil behaves as a liquid)
PL	-	Plastic limit, % (water content above which soil behaves plastically)
PI	-	Plasticity index, % (difference between LL and PL)
Dxx	-	Grain size which xx% of the soil, by weight, is of finer grain sizes These grain size descriptions are not used below 0.075 mm grain size
D10	-	Grain size at which 10% of the soil is finer (effective grain size)
D60	-	Grain size at which 60% of the soil is finer
Cc	-	Concavity coefficient = $(D_{30})^2 / (D_{10} \times D_{60})$
Cu	-	Uniformity coefficient = D_{60} / D_{10}

Cc and Cu are used to assess the grading of sands and gravels:

Well-graded gravels have: $1 < Cc < 3$ and $Cu > 4$

Well-graded sands have: $1 < Cc < 3$ and $Cu > 6$

Sands and gravels not meeting the above requirements are poorly-graded or uniformly-graded.

Cc and Cu are not applicable for the description of soils with more than 10% silt and clay
(more than 10% finer than 0.075 mm or the #200 sieve)

CONSOLIDATION TEST

p'_o	-	Present effective overburden pressure at sample depth
p'_c	-	Preconsolidation pressure of (maximum past pressure on) sample
Ccr	-	Recompression index (in effect at pressures below p'_c)
Cc	-	Compression index (in effect at pressures above p'_c)
OC Ratio		Overconsolidation ratio = p'_c / p'_o
Void Ratio		Initial sample void ratio = volume of voids / volume of solids
Wo	-	Initial water content (at start of consolidation test)

PERMEABILITY TEST

k	-	Coefficient of permeability or hydraulic conductivity is a measure of the ability of water to flow through the sample. The value of k is measured at a specified unit weight for (remoulded) cohesionless soil samples, because its value will vary with the unit weight or density of the sample during the test.
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SYMBOLS AND TERMS (continued)

STRATA PLOT



Topsoil



Asphalt



Fill



Peat



Sand



Silty Sand



Silt



Sandy Silt



Clay



Silty Clay



Clayey Silty Sand



Glacial Till



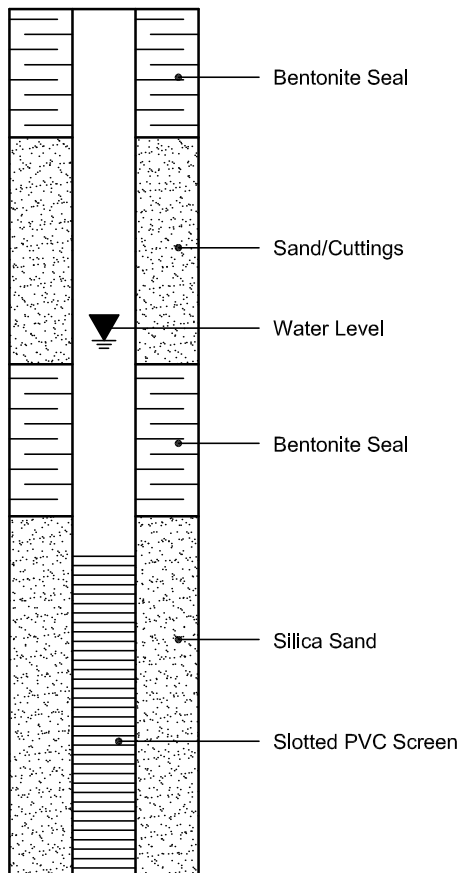
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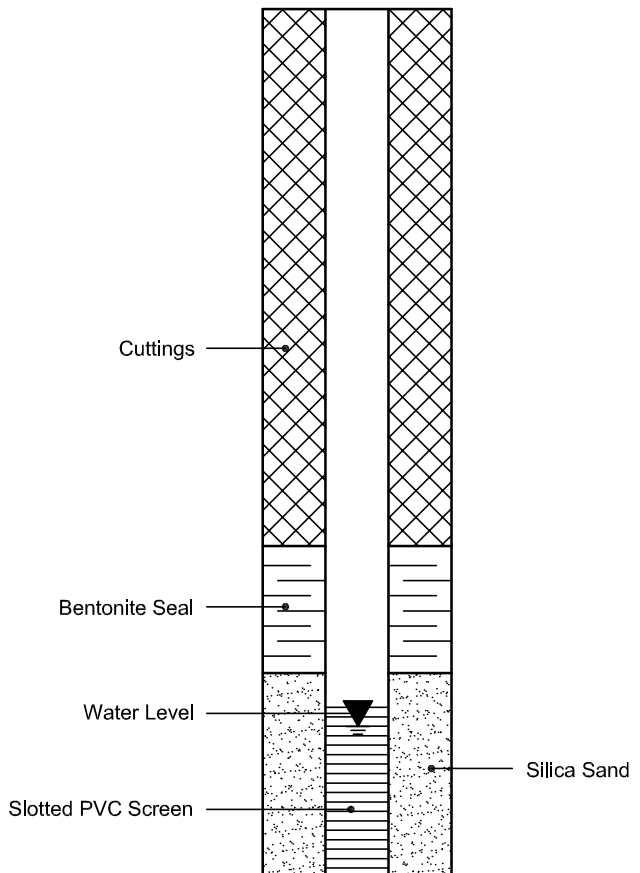
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MONITORING WELL AND PIEZOMETER CONSTRUCTION

MONITORING WELL CONSTRUCTION



PIEZOMETER CONSTRUCTION



Certificate of Analysis

Report Date: 24-Jun-2021

Client: Paterson Group Consulting Engineers

Order Date: 21-Jun-2021

Client PO: 32001

Project Description: PG5861

Client ID:	BH1-21/SS3	-	-	-
Sample Date:	18-Jun-21 09:00	-	-	-
Sample ID:	2126128-01	-	-	-
MDL/Units	Soil	-	-	-

Physical Characteristics

% Solids	0.1 % by Wt.	70.5	-	-	-
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General Inorganics

pH	0.05 pH Units	6.93	-	-	-
Resistivity	0.10 Ohm.m	39.5	-	-	-

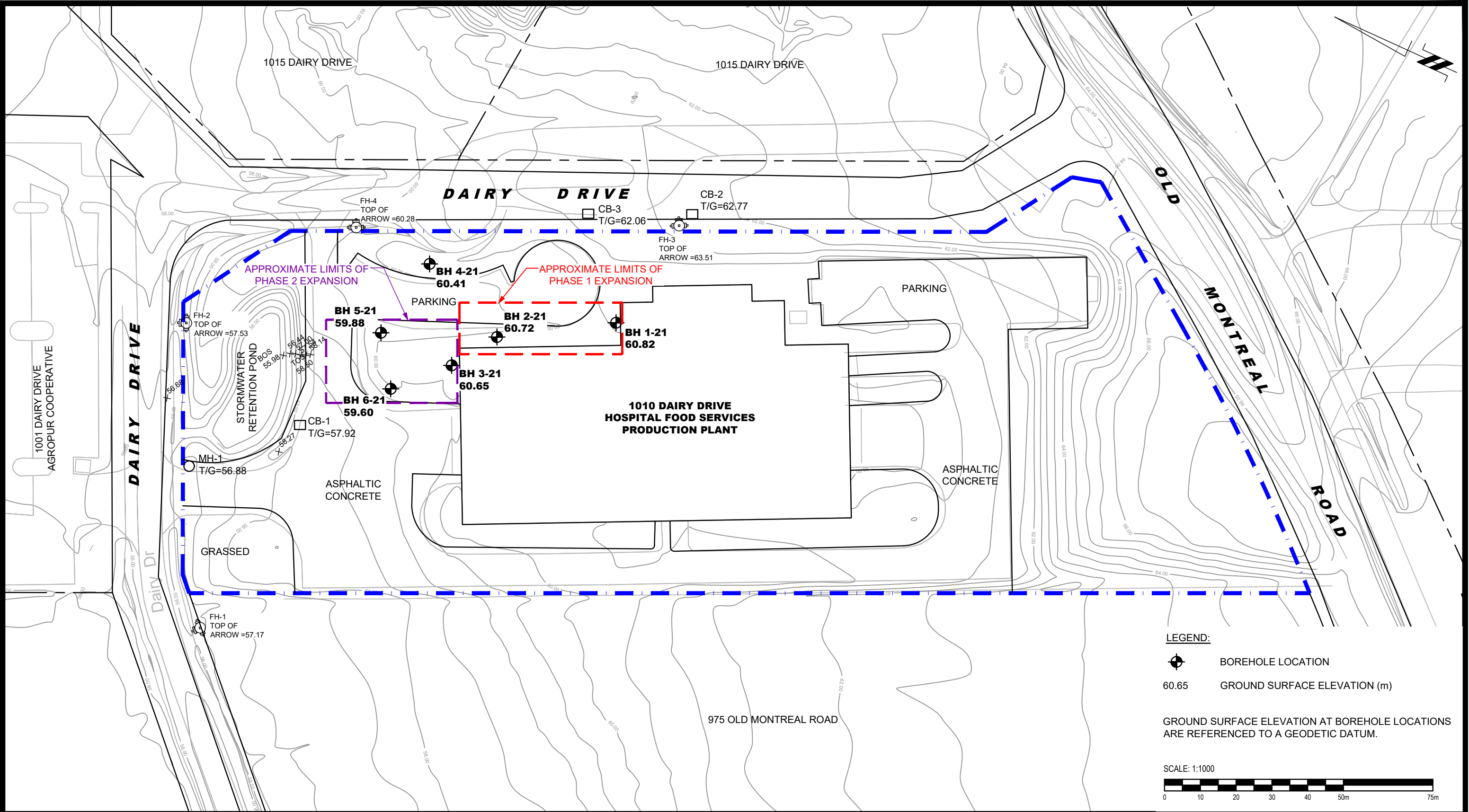
Anions

Chloride	5 ug/g dry	44	-	-	-
Sulphate	5 ug/g dry	53	-	-	-

APPENDIX 2

FIGURE 1 – KEY PLAN

DRAWING PG5861-1 – TEST HOLE LOCATION PLAN



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