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Introduction

As part of the Sunnyside Canal Improvement Project in FY 2009, five new canal check structures are proposed at Milepost (MP) 14.27, 15.40, 16.95, 18.06, and 19.77. These canal check structures are also known as Drops 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 on the Sunnyside Canal system. Existing check structures at these locations will be replaced by new check structures. A field exploration program was conducted in May 2009 to evaluate subsurface conditions and provide design recommendations for the proposed check structures. This report describes the field exploration program, summarizes the subsurface conditions, and presents the laboratory and field test data to be used in designing the check structures.

Limitations

This report has been prepared for the exclusive use of the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District—for specific application to the FY 2009 Check Structures project—in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering practice. No other warranty, express or implied, is made.

The information and findings presented in this report are based on data obtained from soil borings and resistivity surveys conducted in May 2009 by CH2M HILL and subcontractors. Soil borings and resistivity data indicate subsurface conditions only at specific locations and times, and only to the depths penetrated. They do not necessarily reflect strata and water level variations that may exist between exploration locations or over time. If variations in subsurface conditions from those described are noted during construction, CH2M HILL should be notified and given an opportunity to review the design assumptions. In the event that any changes in the nature, design, or location of the components of this project are planned, the findings contained in this report should not be considered valid unless the changes are reviewed and conclusions of this report modified or verified in writing by CH2M HILL.

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Subsurface Exploration and Conditions

This section summarizes the exploration program including the drilling program, site-specific subsurface soil conditions, and groundwater conditions.

Drilling Program

The subsurface exploration program consisted of drilling five borings on May 5 and 6, 2009, to depths of 41.5 feet below ground surface (ft bgs). The borings were drilled along the canal access road near the locations of each proposed check structure (see Site Plans in Appendix A). Drilling was conducted by Haz-Tech Drilling of Meridian, Idaho, under subcontract to CH2M HILL. A CME-75 truck-mounted rig with a 140-pound autohammer advanced the borings, using hollow-stem auger drilling techniques and split-spoon SPT

sampling. The boring logs are included in Appendix B. The borings are summarized in Table 1.

TABLE 1
CH2M HILL Soil Boring Summary

Boring ID	Location	Depth Drilled (ft bgs)	Easting	Northing	Approximate Elevation (ft)
CDB-14.27	On canal access road upstream from existing check structure at MP 14.27	41.5	1,701,014	396,056	878.2
CDB-15.40	On canal access road upstream from existing check structure at MP 15.40	41.5	1,700,916	391,978	875.5
CDB-16.95	On canal access road downstream from existing check structure at MP 16.95	41.5	1,703,323	389,501	874.5
CDB-18.06	On canal access road adjacent to existing check structure at MP 18.06	41.5	1,708,146	391,025	873.7
CDB-19.77	On canal access road downstream from existing check structure at MP 19.77	40.7	1,712,752	388,398	869.1

Note: Horizontal coordinates based on Washington State Plane Coordinates—Washington South. Elevations are based on NGVD 29 vertical datum, and shown on the Site Plan for each check structure.

One additional boring (GTB-1) was also advanced for the proposed radio tower at the Grandview location. This boring and results associated with that exploration were reported separately.

Laboratory Testing Program

A limited laboratory testing program was performed to confirm field classifications, evaluate compaction characteristics, and evaluate corrosion properties. Laboratory tests performed on samples collected from the borings are as follows:

- ASTM D2216, Standard Test Method for Laboratory Determination of Water (Moisture) Content of Soil and Rock
- ASTM D4318, Standard Test Method for Liquid Limit, Plastic Limit, and Plasticity Index of Soils
- ASTM D422, Standard Test Method for Particle-Size Analysis of Soils
- ASTM D1140, Standard Test Method for Amount of Material in Soils Finer Than the No. 200 (75 µm) Sieve
- ASTM D1557, Standard Test Methods for Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Modified Effort (56,000 ft-lbf/ft³ (2,700 kN-m/m³))
- AASHTO T-288,289 pH and Resistivity of Soils
- Chloride and sulfates

A summary of the laboratory test results is provided in Table 2. The original laboratory test results are provided in Appendix C.

TABLE 2
Summary of Laboratory Test Results

Borehole/ Sample ID	Depth (ft)	Soil Type ASTM D2488	Moisture Content (%)	Atterburg Limits (%)			Percent Passing #200	pH	Resistivity (ohm/cm)	Chloride (mg/kg)	Sulfate (mg/kg)
				LL	PL	PI					
CDB-14.27	5-15	ML	21.9				78.1			<5.0	12.7
CDB-15.40	5	ML	20.8	NP	NP	NP	70.9				
CDB-15.40	20-30	CL	26.0	27	20	7		7.0	2190	<5.0	7.5
CDB-16.95	15	ML	20.5				73.7				
CDB-18.06	10-20	ML	25.3				89.5	6.9	2700	<5.0	8.5
CDB-19.77	5-15	ML	26.6	NP	NP	NP	63.4			<5.0	6.7
CDB-19.77	20-25	ML	27.7					6.8	2720	<5.0	6.4

Notes:

NP = Non-plastic

ML = Silt, Silt with Sand, and Sandy Silt

CL = Lean Clay

Subsurface Conditions

The subsurface materials observed during the field exploration varied somewhat between each proposed check structure location. Subsurface materials encountered during the investigation included sandy silts, silty sands, clay, and gravels. The subsurface conditions found at each proposed check structure are described below. Because the borings were drilled on the canal access road, the depths to the layers are below the elevation of the access road.

The boring logs are included in Appendix B. The site plan for each structure shows the locations of the borings relative to the proposed check structures.

Geologic Setting

Unconsolidated geologic deposits underlie the Sunnyside Canal between MP 14.27 and MP 19.77, and consist primarily of catastrophic outburst flood deposits. Schuster (1994) and Reidel and Fecht (1994) describe these deposits in more detail:

The outburst flood deposits consist primarily of silt, sand, and minor gravel. The outburst flood deposits were deposited by catastrophic floods from glacial Lake Missoula and other ice-margin lakes, and are found along the Snake, Columbia, and Yakima rivers. The mineralogy of these materials is predominantly quartz and feldspar, with basalt in coarser sands. Stratigraphic features include rhythmically bedded deposits with stringers of coarse sand and gravel, clastic dikes, small-scale cross-bedding, ice-rafted clasts, and ice-melt structures present locally. The sand-dominated facies are typically planar laminated and sporadic channel-fill sequences. The silt-dominated facies are planar laminated and ripple cross-laminated, commonly displaying normal graded rhythmites. Discrete ash and tephra layers are also common throughout the flood deposits.

Based on observations of local exposures and soil boring information, the flood deposits along this reach of the canal consist primarily of interbedded fine sandy silt to fine silty sand, with layers of lean clay, and poorly graded silty sand and occasional gravels. The thickness of these deposits along this reach of the canal is not known and is likely to vary. The site-specific subsurface conditions are described below.

MP 14.27 (Drop 8)

Boring CDB-23.17 was drilled to a depth of 41.5 ft on the east side of the canal upstream from the existing check structure. The subsurface conditions encountered at CDB-14.27 included firm silt overlying loose silty sand, overlying dense gravel with clay, overlying hard lean clay to the bottom of the boring. The dense gravel layer was encountered from approximately 30 to 37 ft bgs at the boring. The upper silt layer, which is approximately 8 to 10 ft thick is material used to construct the canal berm.

MP 15.40 (Drop 9)

Boring CDB-15.40 was drilled to a depth of 41.5 ft on the west side of the canal upstream from the existing check structure, and north of East Zillah Road. The subsurface conditions encountered at CDB-15.40 consisted of soft silt overlying very stiff silt to silt with sand, overlying very stiff lean clay to a depth of approximately 35 ft bgs. Below 35 ft bgs the material was weakly cemented and contained caliche. The upper soft silt layer, which is approximately 8 to 10 ft thick, is material used to construct the canal berm.

MP 16.95 (Drop 10)

Boring CDB-16.95 was drilled to a total depth of 41.5 ft on the southwest side of the canal downstream from the existing check structure, which also contains a wasteway inlet. The subsurface conditions encountered at CDB-16.95 consisted of firm silt overlying stiff silt, overlying dense to very dense sands with silt. The depth to this dense layer is 18 ft bgs. The upper firm silt layer, which is approximately 12 ft thick, is material used to construct the canal berm.

MP 18.06 (Drop 11)

Boring CDB-18.06 was drilled to a depth of 40.7 ft on the west side of the canal adjacent to the existing check structure. The subsurface conditions encountered at CDB-18.06 consisted of firm silt overlying stiff to hard silt, overlying dense to very dense poorly graded sand. The dense layer was encountered at approximately 26 ft bgs. The upper firm silt layer, which is approximately 12 ft thick, is material used to construct the canal berm.

MP 19.77 (Drop 12)

Boring CDB-19.77 was drilled to a depth of 40.9 ft on the southwest side of the canal downstream from the existing check structure. The subsurface conditions encountered at CDB-19.77 consisted of soft silt overlying very stiff silt to lean clay, overlying dense poorly graded sand, overlying fine gravels. The dense sand layer was encountered from approximately 28 ft bgs in the boring. The upper soft silt layer, which has blow counts of 3, "weight of hammer", and 5, and is approximately 17 to 20 ft thick, is material used to construct the canal berm.

Groundwater Conditions

No piezometers were installed in the borings to measure groundwater levels. However, groundwater was measured in the boreholes during drilling. These depths should only be regarded as preliminary information because water levels in boreholes can vary significantly from the static water level in the subsurface. Also, water levels vary at different times of year. At the time of the subsurface exploration, the canal was flowing, and therefore leakage from the canal may influence the groundwater level by recharging shallow groundwater. In addition, irrigation deep percolation in the vicinity is likely to have an influence on local shallow groundwater levels. In irrigated areas, groundwater levels typically rise with the onset of irrigation season and then fall during non-irrigated periods.

Groundwater measurements from the boreholes are summarized in Table 3.

TABLE 3
Borehole Groundwater Measurements

Boring I.D.	Approximate Ground Elevation*	Depth to Water (ft bgs)	Approximate Groundwater Elevation (ft)	Date
CDB-14.27	878.2	18.0	860.2	5/6/09
CDB-15.40	875.5	14.2	861.3	5/6/09
CDB-16.95	874.5	17.0	857.5	5/6/09
CDB-18.06	873.7	17.2	856.0	5/5/09
CDB-19.77	869.1	13.5	855.6	5/5/09

*Elevations are based on NGVD 29 vertical datum, and shown on the Site Plan for each check structure. Elevations were approximated from topographic mapping, for the location drilled.

Shallow groundwater may be present in the area as a result of irrigation from the adjacent canal, deep percolation, and canal leakage. In irrigated areas, typically groundwater levels rise with the onset of irrigation season, and then fall during non-irrigated periods.

Corrosion Potential

Corrosion of buried concrete or steel usually results from an electrochemical reaction between the metal and water or moist soil. The reaction is referred to as electrochemical because electrical currents and chemical reactions occur simultaneously. Corrosion in the form of pitting or thinning of the metal surface occurs when atoms of solid metal ionize and dissolve in the environment. An electrical current flows between the anodic (corroding) areas and cathodic (non-corroding) areas. The probable intensity of corrosion can be estimated by measuring the electrical conductance of the soil.

The electrical conductance of the soil is commonly measured as its inverse, which is known as resistivity. Low resistivity values are interpreted as corrosive to exposed metal surfaces. In general, the relationship between soils and resistivity values are as follows:

- Resistivity values less than 1,000 ohm-centimeters (ohm-cm) are considered severely corrosive.

- Resistivity values between 1,000 and 3,000 ohm-cm are considered corrosive.
- Resistivity values between 3,000 and 10,000 ohm-cm indicate moderate corrosivity.
- Resistivity values greater than 10,000 ohm-cm indicate relatively noncorrosive conditions.

The pH value is a measure of the soil acidity. The corrosivity of the soil increases as the pH decreases. Low pH soils (less than 5) can be corrosive to cement mortar coatings. The potential for corrosion decreases as the soil pH increases (pH greater than 7).

The check structure sites were field and lab tested for soil resistivity and pH to evaluate corrosion potential—in particular to evaluate concerns of corrosion of the steel sheet pile cutoff walls that will be constructed as part of the check dams. The field resistivity tests were conducted using a Nilsson Model 400 4-Pin Soil Resistance Meter. The 4-pin method measures the voltage drop across a distance, and thus provides an average resistance at a depth based on the spacing of the pins. Results are given for average conditions between the ground surface and the test depth. The data can also be used to estimate resistivity of specific layers of soil within the overall test depths. The laboratory resistivity testing is conducted in a soil box in accordance with AASHTO-T-288.

Field Electrical Resistivity Measurements

The site conditions at the time of the field investigation were good for field resistivity measurements. The canals were flowing at the time and therefore the measurements were typically made at the toe of the downstream canal berm in native soil, or uphill in native soils to mimic in-situ conditions. The only exception was at Check Structure MP 16.95, where there was no access at the toe of the berm or uphill; therefore, the measurements were conducted along the canal access road. In general, the underlying silty and sandy soils were moist, which helped to provide optimal contact between the pins and the soil. The field resistivity measurements were conducted by inserting the pins into the bottom of the canal at typical spacings of 5, 10, 15, and 20 ft. Using this spacing, the average resistivity values can be calculated from ground surface to the depth equal to the pin spacing, and also resistivity for individual 5-ft soil layers can be calculated. The field resistivity data and calculated results are shown in Table 4. Laboratory resistivity data was summarized in Table 2 and is discussed below.

The results of the field resistivity measurements indicate that the *average* soil resistivity in the upper 20 ft typically ranges from around 4,000 to 8,000 ohm-cm, which indicates the soils could be characterized as moderately corrosive. The resistivity of the individual 5-ft soil layers was relatively consistent throughout the depth of the soil profile, which is beneficial in reducing corrosion rates. The soil at MP 19.77 shows an increase in resistivity with depth, but higher resistivities are less corrosive.

The soil samples from the borings indicated moist to wet conditions. Leakage from the canals may saturate the underlying soils and increase the moisture content, which may further increase the corrosion potential.

TABLE 4
In-Situ Soil Resistivity Data

Check Structure	Pin Spacing (ft)	Resistance (Ω)	Multiplier	Average Resistivity (Ω -cm) ^a	Layer Depth (ft)	Layer Resistivity (Ω -cm)	Notes (substrate, moisture, contact of pins, etc.)
MP 14.27	5	4.5	1	4309	0 – 5	4,309	Native ground at toe of canal
	10	2.8	1	5362	5 – 10	7,097	embankment, 7-8 ft below road
	15	1.8	1	5171	10 – 15	4,826	silty moist brown soil, excellent
	20	1.2	1	4596	15 – 20	3,447	pin contact
MP 15.40	5	3.8	1	3639	0 – 5	3,639	Up-side of canal in native soil,
	10	2.0	1	3830	5 – 10	4,043	excellent pin contact in silty soil
	15	1.3	1	3734	10 – 15	3,556	
	20	1.1	1	4213	15 – 20	6,846	
MP 16.95	5	6.3	1	6032	0 – 5	6,032	Silty/gravelly canal bank, curved
	10	2.8	1	5362	5 – 10	4,826	slightly, good contact; moved pins
	15	2.0	1	5745	10 – 15	6,703	to top of canal bank to be better
	20	1.5	1	5745	15 – 20	5,745	pin contact
MP 18.06	5	7.6	1	7277	0 – 5	7,277	Native ground at toe of canal
	10	3.9	1	7469	5 – 10	7,670	embankment, 6-7 ft below road,
	15	2.5	1	7181	10 – 15	6,668	silty brown soil, excellent contact
	20	2.0	1	7660	15 – 20	9,575	
MP 19.77	5	3.5	1	3351	0 – 5	3,351	Approx 8 ft below canal road on
	10	2.9	1	5554	5 – 10	16,198	lower bank, tan dry silt, good
	15	2.3	1	6607	10 – 15	10,644	contact of pins, water in canal
	20	2.0	1	7660	15 – 20	14,682	

Laboratory Measurements (Resistivity, pH, Sulfates and Chlorides)

Three laboratory resistivity results ranged from 2,190 ohm-cm in lean clay, to 2,700 and 2,720 ohm-cm in silt. These laboratory values are in general agreement with the field results in which a lower field resistivity value was measured in the clayey material and somewhat higher resistivity values were measured in silty and sandy materials. Lab results can be lower than field results because of different measurement techniques (the soil resistivity is measured in a box, and thus the density and moisture content may vary from in-situ conditions). The pH of the soils ranged from 6.8 to 7.0. The pH indicates non-acidic soils (greater than 7), which is considered non-corrosive.

Sulfate and chloride test results indicate that the chloride content is less than 5.0 ppm in all five samples tested; the sulfate content ranged from 6.4 to 12.7 ppm (see Table 2 and Appendix C for complete results). These concentrations for sulfate and chloride are low and considered “negligible” for corrosivity.

Seismic Conditions

This section provides a brief summary of the area seismicity for the check structure sites. This is a cursory summary and the reader is referred to the report titled, *Geotechnical Canal Improvement Project, MP 59.29 Reservoir*, by CH2M HILL (2004), which provides more detail of the regional seismic setting, historical seismicity, and seismic source zones for Central Washington.

Seismic Hazards

Seismic hazard areas are defined by Washington State Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development (2003) as those that include areas subject to severe risk of damage as a result of earthquake-induced ground shaking, slope failure, settlement, soil liquefaction, or surface faulting. One indicator of potential for future earthquake damage is a record of earthquake damage in the past. In Washington, ground shaking is the primary cause of earthquake damage and the strength of ground shaking is primarily affected by the following:

- The magnitude of an earthquake
- The distance from the source of an earthquake
- The type of thickness of geologic materials at the surface
- The type of subsurface geologic structure

Settlement and soil liquefaction conditions occur in areas underlain by cohesionless soils of low density, typically in association with a shallow groundwater table.

Area Seismicity

The check structures are located in a region of relatively little historic seismic activity (CH2M HILL, 2004) with few earthquakes having occurred within a 100-kilometer (km) (62-mile) radius of Sunnyside. One moderate earthquake occurred within a 100-km radius of Sunnyside in 1893 (USGS, 2009a). It had a magnitude 4.7 and occurred near Umatilla, Oregon, which is located approximately 44 miles southeast of Sunnyside. An event with a

magnitude of 4.8 occurred in 1973 located approximately 56 miles northeast of Sunnyside near Othello, Washington. Earthquakes with a magnitude of 4.8 or greater have not been reported by USGS within a 100-km radius of Sunnyside since 1973.

The Yakima County Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) reports that earthquake activity in Yakima County is mostly marked by low magnitude events and thus has a low seismic risk. The earthquake potential in Yakima County is considered low to moderate. One exception is an area along Toppenish Ridge where Holocene faulting may have produced earthquakes of as much as a magnitude of 7. The rest of the county is relatively low risk for earthquake related damage.

Design earthquake accelerations have been determined from the probabilistic seismic hazard modeling conducted by the United States Geologic Survey (USGS) (USGS, 2009b) and adopted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) (FEMA, 2001), and the International Building Code (IBC) (IBC, 2008). The modeling considers known seismic sources and the maximum credible earthquake and return interval associated with each source, including the Seattle Fault and subduction earthquakes similar to the Nisqually Earthquake.

Site-Specific Seismic Design Parameters

The USGS probabilistic study indicates that the peak firm ground acceleration is 0.20 g for an earthquake with a probability of exceedance of 2 percent in 50 years (USGS 2002). The equivalent return period for this seismic event is approximately 2,500 years.

Ground motions at the site will be a function of both the firm-ground acceleration (given above) and the soil response. The soil site class consists of a weighted average of the soil properties (shear wave velocity or standard penetration resistance) in the upper 100 ft. Soils at the project locations were consistently classified as Site Class D, based on the individual subsurface conditions in the upper 100 ft at each site. This is based on the average Standard Penetration Resistance (N) of between 15 and 50 (the average N value in the borings ranges from 17 to 42).

The 2008 IBC provides spectral accelerations for an earthquake with a 2 percent probability of occurrence in 50 years or roughly a 2,500-year recurrence interval. The magnitude of acceleration associated with this event is needed for liquefaction analysis. The mean magnitude for short period accelerations during a 2,500-year earthquake is 6.1. The mean magnitude is based on a deaggregation of the PGA for a 2,500-year event taken from the USGS Web site (USGS, 2002).

Liquefaction Potential

Liquefaction is a temporary loss of shear strength in soil that can occur during seismic events of sufficient magnitude to cause a significant increase in pore pressure. Liquefaction generally occurs in clean sandy or silty soils that are saturated and have a loose or very loose consistency. Because of the presence of sandy interbeds within the site soils, there may be areas within the canal levee that are susceptible to liquefy during a long-duration or high-magnitude event.

A detailed liquefaction analysis of the check structures was not performed as part of the scope of work. However, the liquefaction potential is anticipated to be low in most areas because of the high fines content in most soils (silts and clays). Many of the soils are not anticipated to be saturated year-round, except for locally and during the irrigation season. In addition, the Sunnyside Canal has performed well in the past and has not shown high potential for liquefaction or lateral movement given the area's recent historical seismicity.

Geotechnical Recommendations

This section provides the following geotechnical recommendations for the design and construction of the check structures for the Sunnyside Canal:

- Structural Design Parameters
- Foundation Subgrade Preparation
- Earthwork and Grading
- Allowable Bearing Pressures
- Seepage and Uplift Pressure Analysis
- Lateral Earth Pressures for Buried Structures
- Coefficient of Friction
- Recommended Corrosion Protection

Structural Design Parameters

Seismic design parameters were developed in accordance with the International Building Code (2008), as discussed above under the *Area Seismicity* section. For the current subsurface information available, the check structures should be designed for Site Class D (stiff soil profile), according to IBC requirements for a weighted average of the soil properties (shear wave velocity or standard penetration resistance) in the upper 100 ft. This is based on average Standard Penetration Resistance N values in the borings of 17 to 42 bpf ($15 \leq N \leq 50$ for Site Class D). The corresponding seismic design parameters are summarized in Table 5.

TABLE 5
Seismic Design Parameters

Site Class	Earthquake Magnitude	Peak Horizontal Ground Acceleration on Bedrock	Soil Amplification Factor, F_a	Peak Horizontal Ground Acceleration at Ground Surface
S_D	6.1	0.20g	1.41	0.28g

g = The acceleration due to gravity.

The following additional parameters for the maximum considered earthquake (MCE) may be used for structural design:

- Short period (0.2s) spectral acceleration, $S_s = 0.49g$; $F_a = 1.41$ for Site Class S_D .
- Short period (0.2s) spectral response acceleration, $S_{MS} = 0.70g$ for Site Class S_D .
- 1-second period spectral acceleration, $S_1 = 0.15g$; $F_v = 2.19$ for Site Class S_D .
- 1-second period spectral response acceleration, $S_{M1} = 0.34g$ for Site Class S_D .

Foundation Subgrade Preparation

The project site should be cleared prior to construction by removing riprap, concrete, debris, and removing all vegetation, organic soils, and any other deleterious materials.

Site subgrade material exposed will vary depending on location and depth of excavations. In general, concrete should be placed directly against native undisturbed earth. Soft areas should be excavated to firm bearing soils and replaced with suitable backfill material. Under the check structures, suitable backfill should ideally possess low permeability to help control seepage. If a cavity must be backfilled with soil, the zone should be backfilled with densely compacted native silt or clay soils having a minimum of 50 percent passing the No. 200 sieve size. However, this must be balanced against design needs for sliding friction, bearing capacity, material availability, and so forth, which are probably best met by granular backfill. Because some form of seepage cutoff wall will be installed at each check structure, the need for low permeability backfill is lessened.

Earthwork and Grading

Grading or backfill under roads and utilities should consist of granular fill meeting the *WSDOT Standard Specifications for Gravel Borrow*, Section 9-03.14(1) with gradation altered to limit maximum particle size to 2 inches. The backfill should be placed in uniform layers not exceeding 10 inches in loose thickness. In areas where small hand compaction equipment is required, the backfill should be placed in lifts not exceeding 4 inches in loose thickness. The fill should be compacted to a minimum of 95 percent of the maximum dry density and within 2 percent of optimum moisture content, as determined according to ASTM D698, and should be non-yielding. It is important to note that although this relative compaction is typically easily achieved, it will be difficult if not impossible to achieve if fine-grained subgrade soils are not dewatered, as described below.

Allowable Bearing Pressures

Allowable bearing pressures based on the soil types at the canal invert for the various check structure locations are derived from presumptive bearing pressures presented in NAVFAC DM-7.2 (1986) and engineering judgment. For silty soils with an in situ consistency of firm to very stiff, the recommended allowable bearing pressure is approximately 2,000 psf.

It is recommended that a geotechnical engineer observe foundation preparation activities and subgrade conditions. If actual subgrade conditions encountered during construction are different from those observed in the borings, the recommended bearing pressures may need to be revised. Areas of soft or otherwise unsuitable subgrade (that is, soft silt, which may be present at some locations within the canal levee) should be overexcavated and backfilled with suitable material.

Seepage and Uplift Pressure Analysis

Seepage analysis is used to evaluate the potential for piping (internal erosion) of soils and possible undermining of the structures by seeping water. Estimated uplift pressures are required for the structural design of the structures.

The flow net method was used to analyze uplift pressures on the downstream sides of the check structures. The seepage analyses are based on design maximum water levels

upstream of the structures (as indicated on the preliminary drawings and design criteria) with the gates closed and a drained canal downstream. However, it should be noted that this condition is encountered infrequently and is expected to occur only in the rare event of a canal dike failure.

The predominant soil type encountered at the check structures is non-plastic silt with sand. Soil samples show that more than 65 percent of the material typically passes the No. 200 sieve size. This soil type is particularly susceptible to piping (erosion).

Analysis by Flow Net Method

Flow nets were developed for the check structures using SLIDE, a two-dimensional finite element program for groundwater analysis by Rocscience, Inc. The flow nets were used to check the exit gradient and uplift pressures under the structures for several cutoff depths assuming full differential head across the structure.

Exit gradient is the gradient at the point where seepage water discharges from under the structure. If soil is unconfined or unprotected by properly graded filter material, piping and quick conditions can begin to develop at exit gradients of about 1.0. Table 6 shows a summary of calculated exit gradients for cutoff depths of 10, 15, and 20 ft for the check structures, along with uplift pressures as explained below.

TABLE 6
Calculated Exit Gradients and Uplift Pressures

Check Structure	Cutoff Depth (ft)	Exit Gradient	Maximum Uplift Pressure (psf) ^a	Minimum Uplift Pressure (psf) ^b
MP 14.27	10	1.27	477	37
	15	1.20	440	37
	20	0.92	367	37
MP 15.40	10	0.10	73	37
	15	0.10	37	0
	20	0.10	37	0
MP 16.95	10	2.62	428	2
	15	2.46	389	2
	20	2.21	350	2
MP 18.06	10	1.97	428	39
	15	1.90	428	39
	20	1.90	428	39
MP 19.77	10	0.61	409	34
	15	0.60	409	34
	20	0.60	375	34

^a Maximum uplift pressure occurs at the point closest to the cutoff wall.

^b Minimum uplift pressure occurs at the point farthest from the cutoff wall.

An exit gradient of less than 0.5 is typically recommended and provides a factor of safety of 2. However, in the case of MP 16.95 and MP 18.06, the exit gradient with a 20-ft cutoff

wall is too high (factor of safety <1) and will require either additional cutoff depth, or additional protection measures at the toe of the floor slab. There are several factors to consider that make these estimates conservative. First, the full differential head condition is expected to rarely occur; it is not a long-term condition. Second, the hydraulic conductivity of silt soils is relatively low, and the seepage velocity is not sufficient to erode the soils at the exit point. Third, the flow net analysis assumes saturated, steady-state flow. The field exploration data indicate the subsurface soil profile is not saturated throughout the year. Although water infiltrating from the canal will create a seasonal shallow groundwater table, it may be perched and the entire soil column may not become saturated. In other words, the flow net is providing a conservative estimate of the exit gradient. Still, for structures with an exit gradient greater than 0.75, it is recommended that a riprap apron be placed at the toe of the floor slab of the check structure, to guard against localized piping. Based on the results of the analysis in Table 6, additional ballast (beyond compacted soil backfill) is recommended for check structures at MP 16.95 and MP 18.06. The erosion control measures performed by SVID crews include drilling dowels into the downstream edge of the check structure apron, pouring a 6-inch-thick concrete floor in the canal and applying 4 inches of shotcrete to the downstream embankments for 50 linear feet. These erosion control measures are adequate to act as the additional recommended ballast.

For the uplift pressures shown in Table 6, the pressures act on the bottom of the structures at each location. The pressure distribution varies from the cutoff wall to the downstream toe, and for design purposes a linear pressure distribution between the maximum and minimum can be assumed. The actual uplift pressure at the toe of the concrete apron for each structure will be zero. For all check structures, the pressure distribution in the canal sidewalls should be assumed to vary linearly from the bottom up the banks to zero at the design upstream water elevation.

Lateral Earth Pressure

Belowgrade structures must be designed to resist lateral earth pressures. Three states of static soil pressure that can develop on structures, based in general on the amount of movement, include the following:

- At-rest state – structures that are restrained from yielding at their tops
- Active state – structures that are free to yield at their tops and that freely move away from the backfill (only when the structure is free to move by translation or rotation at least 0.002 times the height of the wall)
- Passive state – structures that are free to yield at their tops and that can move toward the backfill (only when the structure is free to move by translation or rotation at least 0.02 times the height of the wall)

For compacted backfill, structures should be designed to resist the lateral earth pressures given as equivalent fluid pressures in psf per foot (psf/ft) of height (H) in either Tables 7 or 8, depending on backfill material type. Structures should be designed to resist surcharge loads of any nearby at-grade structures, material stockpiles, or vehicles. Lateral earth pressure coefficients and equivalent fluid pressures were estimated for imported clean, free-draining crushed rock, and for a silty sand backfill (assumed on-site material). Imported crushed rock was assumed to have a total unit weight of 135 pcf and a friction angle of

34 degrees. The silt (predominant native material) was assumed to have a unit weight of 115 pcf and a friction angle of 28 degrees.

TABLE 7
Imported Backfill—Lateral Earth Pressure Summary

Condition	Coefficient*	Horizontal Ground		Sloping Ground (2H:1V)	
		Drained (psf/ft)	Undrained (psf/ft)	Drained (psf/ft)	Undrained (psf/ft)
At-rest	0.44/0.69	60	94	93	112
Active	0.28/0.45	38	83	61	95
Passive	3.54/2.20	478	320	297	222

* Coefficients are listed for horizontal ground/sloping ground. Rankine's method was used to determine earth pressure coefficients.

TABLE 8
Native Silt Backfill—Lateral Earth Pressure Summary

Condition	Coefficient*	Horizontal Ground		Sloping Ground (2H:1V)	
		Drained (psf/ft)	Undrained (psf/ft)	Drained (psf/ft)	Undrained (psf/ft)
At-rest	0.50/0.78	61	90	95	106
Active	0.33/0.60	42	81	83	100
Passive	3.0/1.67	318	208	159	135

* Coefficients are listed for horizontal ground/sloping ground. Rankine's method was used to determine earth pressure coefficients.

Substantial movement must take place before the total available passive pressure is mobilized. A value of passive pressure one-third to one-half of the total passive pressure should be used when calculating resistance to thrust or sliding to limit the amount of movement required. The reduced value depends on the amount of movement allowed by the structural designer.

Coefficient of Friction

For cast-in-place concrete bearing on compacted granular backfill (specified above), a friction coefficient of 0.55 should be used to calculate sliding resistance to lateral loads. For footings cast directly on compacted native soil, the friction coefficient is summarized in Table 9 by structure location.

TABLE 9
Coefficients of Friction on Native Soil

Check Structure	Soil Type	$\tan \delta$
MP 14.27	Silty Sand	0.45
MP 15.40	Silt	0.35
MP 16.95	Silt	0.35
MP 18.06	Silt	0.35
MP 19.77	Silt	0.35

At locations where the sliding friction is too low to resist forces, overexcavation of the silt or clay and backfill with granular soil may be preferable to improve the coefficient of friction and passive lateral resistance. If this approach is used in the design analysis, the potential for shearing and sliding along the granular backfill/native soil interface should be checked to ensure structural stability. An angle of internal friction of 26° may be assumed for analyzing shearing and sliding at the granular backfill/native soil interface.

Recommended Corrosion Protection

Disturbed soils are known to be corrosive with resistivity values measured at the site. However, previous studies have shown that sheet piles driven into undisturbed soils do not experience significant corrosion, apparently because of more uniform corrosion conditions along the metal surface. Previous studies in similar conditions show corrosion rate of less than 1 mil/year (NBS Monograph 127, NBS Papers on Underground Corrosion of Steel Piling). These corrosion rates are usually associated with metal in the water table fluctuation zone, where oxygen is more frequently introduced to the metal surface. Surfaces below the water table exhibit even lower corrosion rates.

The design life of the check structures is 50 years. Given that the sheet piles will be approximately 3/4-inches thick (750 mils), and assuming a loss of 1 mil/year, this equals a loss of approximately 50 mils over the design life, or approximately 7 percent of the steel. Therefore, based on the findings from the field and laboratory resistivity and pH testing, and considering that the steel sheet piles will be driven into undisturbed soils and should experience minimal corrosion losses, corrosion protection of the sheet piles is not considered necessary.

Other Construction Considerations

Dewatering

Dewatering of the construction zones is recommended at sites where saturated fine-grained soils, particularly silts, exist at or near the surface. Previous experience in the area has shown that fine-grained soils may be seasonally saturated and at a natural moisture content that is twice as much as the optimum moisture content for compaction. The soils are expected to be saturated with perched water for several weeks to months following the end

of irrigation season. If the soils are saturated or near saturation, the soils are expected to soften and “pump” when disturbed; trafficking and earthwork, particularly compaction, will become virtually impossible. To work on or in these saturated soils, they must first be dewatered, and possibly disced or dried before attempting to achieve compaction.

The least expensive method of dewatering the soils is by excavating dewatering trenches to a depth of 5 or 6 ft upstream and downstream of the work zone. If perched groundwater migrates into the work zone from the canal banks, additional trenches along the banks are recommended. It is recommended that these trenches be shown on the construction drawings to ensure the Contractor is aware of the need. If it turns out that the soils are not saturated at the time of construction, excavation of the dewatering trenches can be waived by the construction manager. The drawing notes or specifications should also require sufficient time (up to several weeks) in the construction schedule to allow the soils in the construction zone to drain.

Sheet Pile Driving

Driving tips are recommended for driving sheet piles to construct the cut-off walls. Z-section sheet piles are recommended to prevent sheet pile damage during driving into the gravels. Some relatively thin layers of caliche were also encountered that may damage sheet piles. The determination of whether to drive the sheet piles with a vibratory hammer or an impact hammer, and selection of the appropriate sheet pile section for the subsurface conditions should be left up to the Contractor.

Construction Access

Construction access to each of the check structures will be from the Sunnyside Canal road.

Stockpile and Staging Areas

Stockpile and staging areas are available nearby each of the check structures. Additional staging areas should be identified if needed for construction.

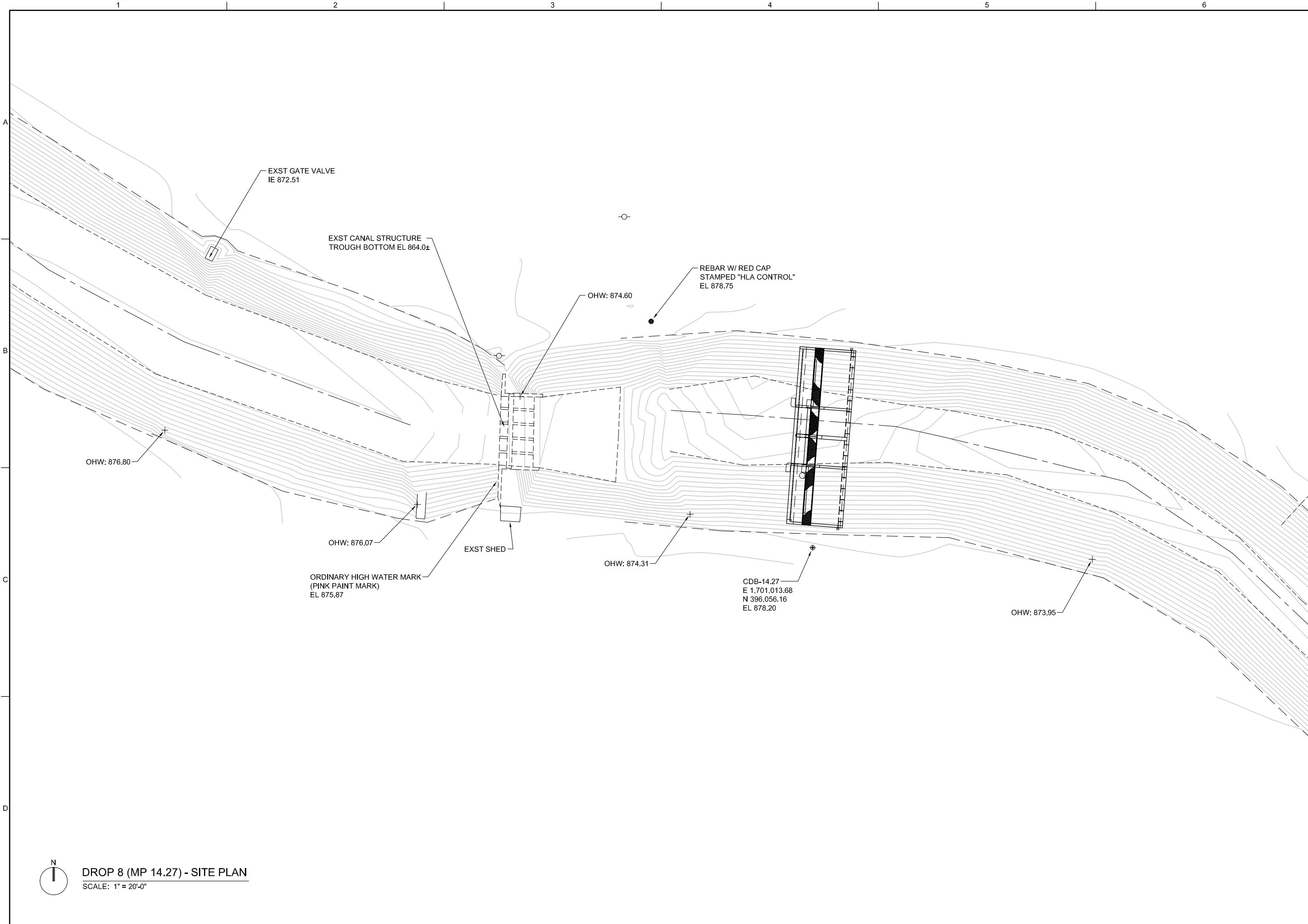
Waste Area

The Contractor will be responsible for locating suitable disposal sites as required to perform the work.

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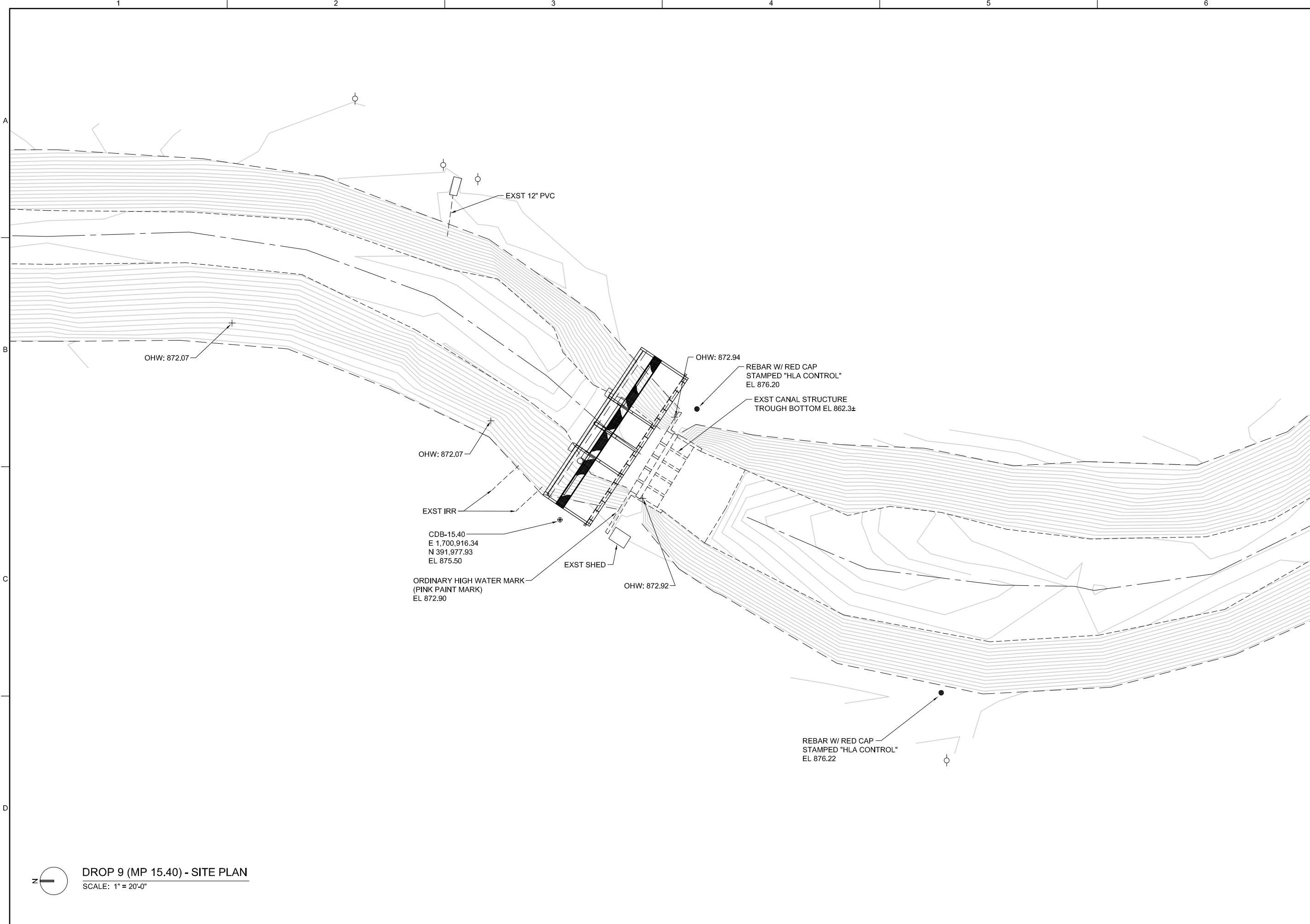
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
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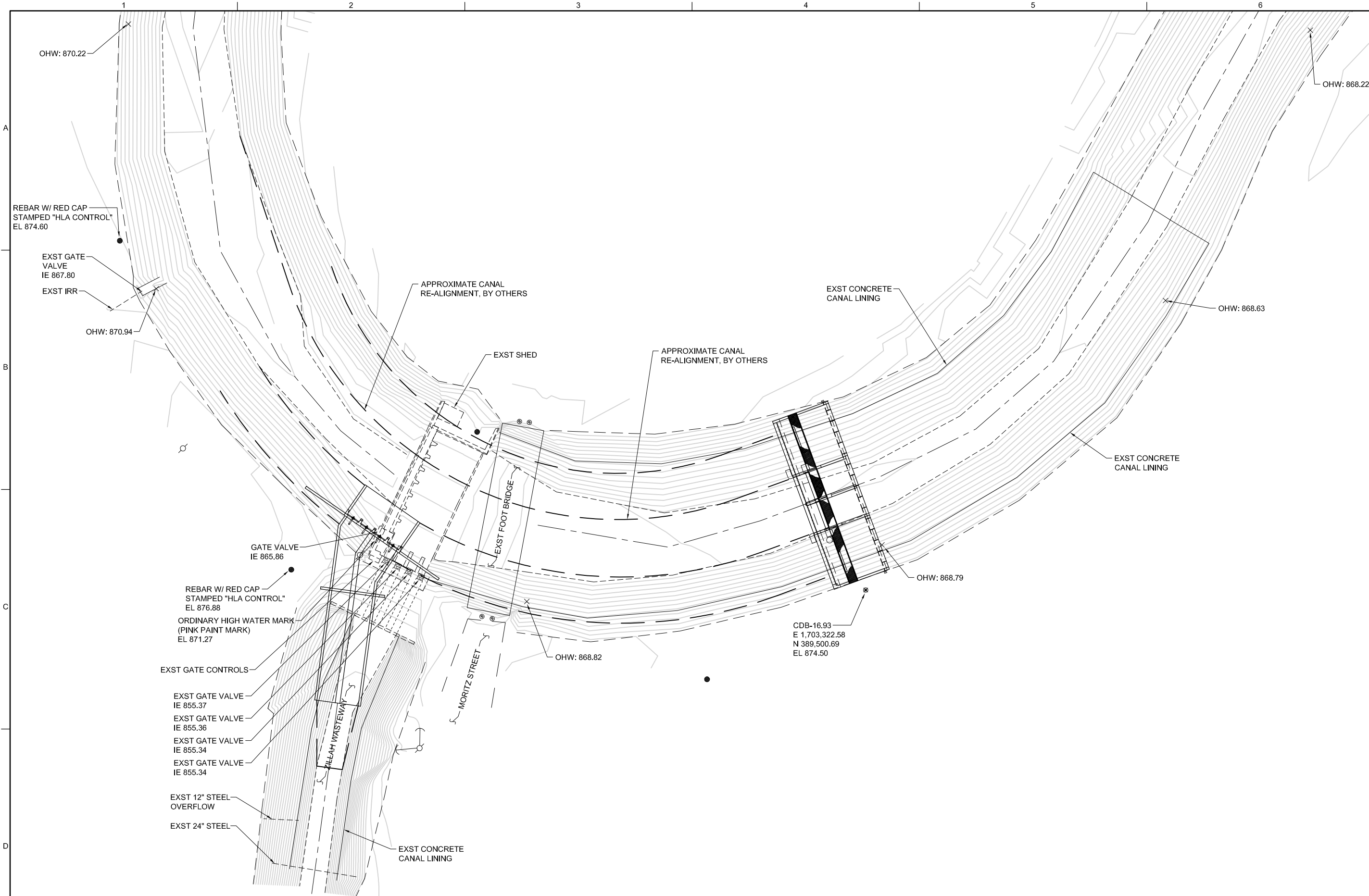
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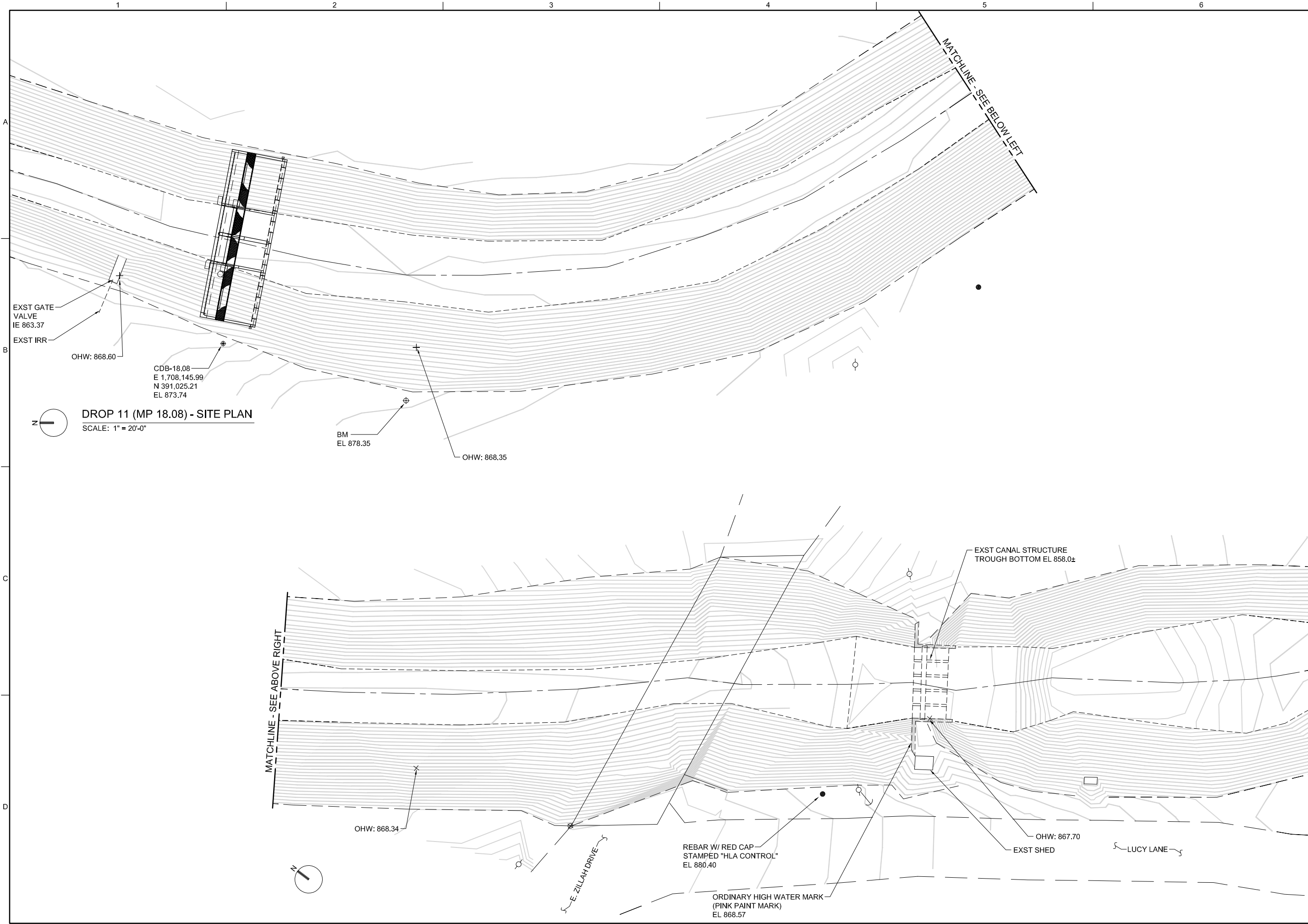
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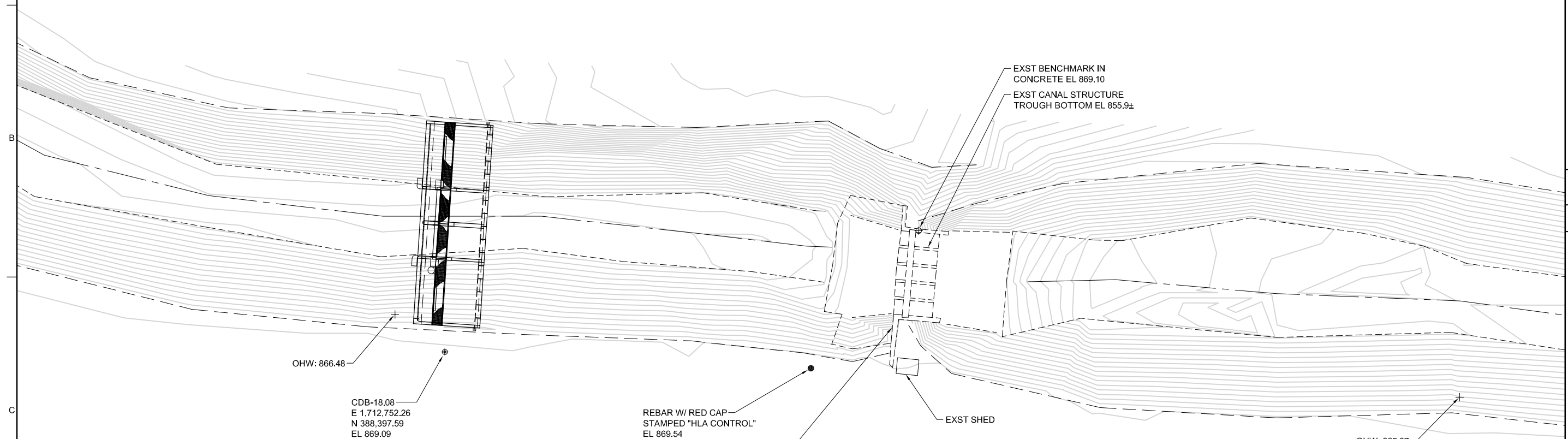


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DROP 12 (MP 19.77) - SITE PLAN
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Appendix B
Boring Logs



PROJECT NUMBER: 371479.06.02	BORING NUMBER: CDB-16-95	SHEET 2 OF 2
SOIL BORING LOG		

PROJECT : SVID Check Structures 2009 LOCATION : (389501.0 N, 1703323.0 E)

ELEVATION : 874.5 ft DRILLING CONTRACTOR : Haz Tech Drilling (D. Gonzales)

DRILLING EQUIPMENT AND METHOD : CME 75 Truck Rig, (8" O.D. HSA)

WATER LEVELS : 17.0 ft bgs START : 5/6/2009 END : 5/6/2009 LOGGER : J. Butler, P.E.

DEPTH BELOW EXISTING GRADE (ft)	INTERVAL (ft)		#TYPE	STANDARD PENETRATION TEST RESULTS 6"-6"-6" (N)	SOIL DESCRIPTION SOIL NAME, USCS GROUP SYMBOL, COLOR, MOISTURE CONTENT, RELATIVE DENSITY OR CONSISTENCY, SOIL STRUCTURE, MINERALOGY	SYMBOLIC LOG	COMMENTS DEPTH OF CASING, DRILLING RATE, DRILLING FLUID LOSS, TESTS, AND INSTRUMENTATION
	RECOVERY (ft)	6"-6"-6" (N)					
849.5	25.0	1.0	SS-5	22-50/6 (50/6")	Poorly Graded Sand With Silt (SP-SM) Similar to SS-4 except homogeneous and little or no gravels		
	26.5						
30							
844.5	30.0	1.4	SS-6	18-19-20 (39)	Poorly Graded Sand With Silt (SP-SM) orange-brown, moist to wet, dense, homogeneous, medium and coarse grained, ~5% fines		
	31.5						SS-6, SS-7 and SS-8 combined
35							
839.5	35.0	1.3	SS-7	13-23-25 (48)	Poorly Graded Sand With Silt (SP-SM) Similar to SS-6		
	36.5						
40							
834.5	40.0	1.2	SS-8	10-20-20 (40)	Poorly Graded Sand With Silt (SP-SM) Similar to SS-7		
	41.5				Bottom of Boring at 41.5 ft bgs on 5/6/2009		Boring backfilled with 3/8" bentonite chip
45							
829.5							
50							

Appendix C
Laboratory Results



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Moisture Content and Percent Finer than No. 200 Sieve

ASTM D 2216 and ASTM D 1140

Project Sunnyside Check Structures

Date July 2, 2009

Work Order# 1500-ID1

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Client CH2M Hill

Laboratory Number	2186	2187	2188	2189	2190	2191	2192	2193
	CDB 14.27	CDB 15.40	CDB 15.40	CDB 15.40	CDB 16.95	CDB 18.06	CDB 19.77	CDB 19.77
	SS-1,2,3	SS-1	SS-4	SS-4,5,6	SS-3	SS-2,3,4	SS-1,2	SS-4,5
Location of Sample	5' - 15'	5'	20'	20' - 30'	15'	10' - 20'	10' - 20'	20' - 25'
Sample Wet Mass	395.1	375.0	423.0	347.2	178.8	1883.3	370.5	1699.3
Sample Dry Mass	324.1	310.4	335.6	275.1	148.4	1502.7	292.7	1330.7
Dry Mass Before Wash	183.0	134.3			125.1	161.4	125.7	
Dry Mass After Wash	38.9	36.8			32.1	16.4	45.8	
Mass. Passing 200(Wash) Sieve	1.2	2.3			0.8	0.5	0.2	
Mass Passing No. 200	142.9	95.2			92.2	144.5	79.7	
Moisture Content (%)	21.9%	20.8%	26.0%	26.2%	20.5%	25.3%	26.6%	27.7%
Passing No. 200 (%)	78.1%	70.9%			73.7%	89.5%	63.4%	

Laboratory Number	2194							
	GTB-1							
	SS-1,2,3							
Location of Sample	5' - 15'							
Sample Wet Mass	282.7							
Sample Dry Mass	228.1							
Dry Mass Before Wash	125.2							
Dry Mass After Wash	38.0							
Mass. Passing 200(Wash) Sieve	2.3							
Mass Passing No. 200	84.9							
Moisture Content (%)	23.9%							
Passing No. 200 (%)	67.8%							


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 SOURCE: CDB-15.40 20'
 MATRIX: SOIL

 LABORATORY SAMPLE NUMBER: 37216

 PERCENT MOISTURE: 1.3% 7/8/2009

ANALYSIS	ANALYST	DATE ANALYZED	RESULTS (mg/kg) Dry Weight
CHLORIDE	TK	7/8/2009	<5.0
SULFATE	TK	7/8/2009	7.5

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 SOURCE: CDB-14.27 5'-15'
 MATRIX: SOIL

 LABORATORY SAMPLE NUMBER: 37217

 PERCENT MOISTURE: 1.2% 7/8/2009

ANALYSIS	ANALYST	DATE ANALYZED	RESULTS (mg/kg) Dry Weight
CHLORIDE	TK	7/8/2009	<5.0
SULFATE	TK	7/8/2009	12.7

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 SOURCE: GTB-1 SS-1.2.3 5'-15'
 MATRIX: SOIL

 LABORATORY SAMPLE NUMBER: 37218

PERCENT MOISTURE: <1.0% 7/8/2009

ANALYSIS	ANALYST	DATE ANALYZED	RESULTS (mg/kg) Dry Weight
CHLORIDE	TK	7/8/2009	<5.0
SULFATE	TK	7/8/2009	7.9



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 SOURCE: CDB-15.40 20'-30'
 MATRIX: SOIL

 LABORATORY SAMPLE NUMBER: 37219

PERCENT MOISTURE: 1.3% 7/8/2009

ANALYSIS	ANALYST	DATE ANALYZED	RESULTS (mg/kg) Dry Weight
CHLORIDE	TK	7/8/2009	<5.0
SULFATE	TK	7/8/2009	7.0



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 SOURCE: CDB-19.77 5'-10'
 MATRIX: SOIL

 LABORATORY SAMPLE NUMBER: 37220

 PERCENT MOISTURE: 1.9% 7/8/2009

ANALYSIS	ANALYST	DATE ANALYZED	RESULTS (mg/kg) Dry Weight
CHLORIDE	TK	7/8/2009	<5.0
SULFATE	TK	7/8/2009	6.7



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 PROJECT: 1500-1D1
 PN: 478

 SOURCE: GDB-19.77 20'-25'
 MATRIX: SOIL

 LABORATORY SAMPLE NUMBER: 37221

 PERCENT MOISTURE: 1.8% 7/8/2009

ANALYSIS	ANALYST	DATE ANALYZED	RESULTS (mg/kg) Dry Weight
CHLORIDE	TK	7/8/2009	<5.0
SULFATE	TK	7/8/2009	6.4



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*Water, Soil and
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LABORATORY REPORT

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 DATE COLLECTED:
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 PROJECT: 1500-1D1
 PN: 478

 SOURCE: CDB-18.06 10'-30'
 MATRIX: SOIL

 LABORATORY SAMPLE NUMBER: 37222

 PERCENT MOISTURE: 1.8% 7/8/2009

ANALYSIS	ANALYST	DATE ANALYZED	RESULTS (mg/kg) Dry Weight
CHLORIDE	TK	7/8/2009	<5.0
SULFATE	TK	7/8/2009	8.5



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Aggregate/Soil Test Report

Sample ID: 2187S

Report No: MAT:2187S

Issue No: 1

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Richard Rogers

AASHTO R18

Date Issued: 7/7/2009

Rick Rogers (QC Manager - Boise)

Signed: 7/7/2009

Sample Details

Sample ID: 2187S
Field Sample ID:
Date Sampled: 06/18/2009
Source: Native
Material: Red Grey Sandy SILT
Specification:
Sampling Method:
Location: CDB 15.40 SS-1 @ 5'

Particle Size Distribution

Method:
Drying by:
Date Tested:

Sieve Size	% Passing	Limits
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Other Test Results

Description	Method	Result	Limits
Liquid Limit (%)	ASTM D 4318	NO	
Method			
Plastic Limit (%)		NO	
Plasticity Index (%)		NP	
Sample History		Natural state	
Preparation		Wet	

Chart

Comments

NO = Not Obtainable
 NP = Non Plastic




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Aggregate/Soil Test Report

SampleID: 2189S
 Report No: MAT:2189S
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 Date Issued: 7/7/2009 Signed: 7/7/2009

Sample Details

Sample ID: 2189S
 Field Sample ID:
 Date Sampled: 06/18/2009
 Source: Native
 Material: Red Grey Silty CLAY
 Specification:
 Sampling Method:
 Location: CDB 15.40 SS-4,5,6 @ 20' - 30'

Particle Size Distribution

Method:
 Drying by:
 Date Tested:

Sieve Size	% Passing	Limits
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Other Test Results

Description	Method	Result	Limits
Liquid Limit (%)	ASTM D 4318	27	
Method		Four Point	
Plastic Limit (%)		20	
Plasticity Index (%)		7	
Sample History		Natural state	
Preparation		Wet	

Chart

Comments
 N/A

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Report to: Geotek Inc.
Report Date: 7/2/09
Project No.: 04B-M783.75
Project: Sunnyside Check Structures

Material Information

Date Sampled: N.A.
Sampled By: Geotek
Date Received: 7/1/09
Date Tested: 7/2/2009

Test Results

Soil Resistivity and pH for Corrosion Testing
AASHTO T-288, T-289

Lab Number	Sample ID	Minimum Resistivity		
		Ohm/cm	pH	@ Temp, F°
09-0314	CDB 15.40 SS-4,5,6	2190	7.0	73.5
09-0315	CDB 18.06 SS-2,3,4	2700	6.9	73.6
09-0316	CDB 19.77 SS-4,5	2720	6.8	73.8

Reviewed By: _____

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