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As requested, we have performed a geotechnical investigation for the proposed Piercy Hotel to be constructed at 469 Piercy Road in San Jose, California. The accompanying report summarizes the results of our field exploration, laboratory testing, and engineering analysis, and presents geotechnical recommendations for the proposed project.


We refer you to the text of our report for specific recommendations.

Thank you for the opportunity to work with you on this project. If you have any questions or comments about our findings or recommendations for the project, please call.

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INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of our geotechnical investigation for the proposed 225 room Piercy Hotel to be constructed at 469 Piercy Road in San Jose, California. The location of the site is shown on the Vicinity Map, Figure 1. The purpose of this investigation was to evaluate subsurface conditions at the site and to provide geotechnical recommendations for design and construction of the proposed project.

Project Description

The project consists of constructing a six-story hotel building at the approximately 3.6-acre site in San Jose. The building will be constructed with an approximately 16 foot high concrete podium with wood-framed construction at the upper five floors. The main level of the hotel will include the lobby, business center, a restaurant facility, conference rooms, guest rooms, and outdoor patios. A swimming pool is planned at the central courtyard along the northeast side of the building. Paved parking and drive aisles will extend along the perimeter of the building. The existing residential structures at the site will be demolished prior to construction. Structural loads are expected to be moderate as is typical for this type of construction.

Scope of Work

Our scope of work for this investigation was presented in our agreement with Piercy Tower Alpha, LLC dated July 20, 2017. In order to complete our investigation, we performed the following work.

- Review of geologic and geotechnical literature in our files pertinent to the general area of the site.
- Subsurface exploration consisting of drilling, sampling, and logging four exploratory borings in the area of the proposed building.
- Laboratory testing of selected soil samples to aid in soil classification and to help evaluate the engineering properties of the soils encountered at the site.



- Engineering analysis and evaluation of the surface and subsurface data to develop earthwork guidelines and foundation design criteria for the proposed building.
- Preparation of this report presenting our findings and geotechnical recommendations for the proposed construction.

Limitations

This report has been prepared for the exclusive use of Piercy Tower Alpha, LLC for specific application to developing geotechnical design criteria for the proposed Piercy Hotel to be constructed at 469 Piercy Road in San Jose, California. We make no warranty, expressed or implied, except that our services are performed in accordance with the geotechnical engineering principles generally accepted at this time and location. This report was prepared to provide engineering opinions and recommendations only. In the event there are any changes in the nature, design, or location of the project, or if any future improvements are planned, the conclusions and recommendations presented in this report should not be considered valid unless 1) the project changes are reviewed by us, and 2) the conclusions and recommendations presented in this report are modified or verified in writing.

The analysis, conclusions, and recommendations presented in this report are based on site conditions as they existed at the time of our investigation; the currently planned improvements; review of previous reports relevant to the site conditions; and laboratory test results. In addition, it should be recognized that certain limitations are inherent in the evaluation of subsurface conditions, and that certain conditions may not be detected during an investigation of this type. Changes in the information or data gained from any of these sources could result in changes in our conclusions or recommendations. If such changes occur, we should be advised so that we can review our report in light of those changes.

SITE EXPLORATION AND RECONNAISSANCE

Site reconnaissance and subsurface exploration were performed on August 30, 2017. Subsurface exploration was performed using a Mobile B-61 truck-mounted drill equipped with 8-inch diameter hollow-stem augers. Four exploratory borings were advanced to depths ranging between 30 to 50 feet. The approximate locations of the borings are presented on the Site Plan, Figure 2. The boring logs and the results of our laboratory tests are attached in Appendices A and B, respectively.

Surface Conditions

The site is located in a commercial area at the north corner of the intersection of Piercy Road and Hellyer Avenue. At the time of our investigation, the site was occupied by a two-story, wood-framed residence which had a wood siding exterior. A detached three-car garage was located to the northeast of the residence with an asphaltic concrete driveway providing access to Piercy Road. Concrete walkways extended along the perimeter of the residence and garage. A covered wood deck (porch) extended along the perimeter of the residence. Two above ground water storage tanks were located at the south corner of the site. The relatively flat site was vegetated with native grass, small shrubs, and medium to large trees.

The depth and width of the existing building foundation is unknown. The perimeter stem walls were generally covered by the exterior siding and not visible. The driveway had hairline to $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch wide cracks. The concrete flatwork had a few up to $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch wide cracks. Roof downspouts discharged adjacent to the perimeter foundations.

Subsurface Conditions

At the location of Boring EB-1, we encountered approximately 5 feet of very stiff sandy lean clay of low to moderate plasticity underlain by approximately 6 feet of medium dense clayey gravel. We then encountered approximately 5 feet of very stiff sandy lean clay of low plasticity underlain by approximately 8 feet of dense poorly graded sand, underlain by hard sandy lean clay of moderate plasticity which extended to the maximum depth explored of 35 feet.

In Borings EB-2 and EB-4, we encountered stiff to hard sandy lean clay of low to moderate plasticity which extended to the maximum depths explored of 30 to 50 feet.

In Boring EB-3, we encountered approximately 12 feet of hard sandy lean clay of low to moderate plasticity underlain by approximately 15 feet of dense to very dense clayey gravel. We then encountered very stiff to hard sandy lean clay of moderate plasticity which extended to the maximum depth explored of 50 feet.

A Liquid Limit of 40 and a Plasticity Index of 19 were measured on a sample of near surface native soil obtained from our Boring EB-3. These test results indicate that the near surface soil generally has moderate plasticity and a low to moderate potential for expansion.

Ground Water

Ground water was measured at a depth of about 31 feet in Boring EB-1, at a depth of about 21 feet in Borings EB-2 and EB-3, and at a depth of about 25 feet in Boring EB-4, shortly after drilling and sampling was completed. The borings were backfilled with grout shortly after drilling, therefore a stabilized ground water level may not have been obtained. Information presented in Seismic Hazard Zone Report 044 for the San Jose East Quadrangle (California Geological Survey, 2000) indicates the historical high ground water level in the area of the site is expected to be present at an average depth of approximately 20 to 30 feet below the ground surface. Please be cautioned that fluctuations in the level of ground water can occur due to variations in rainfall, landscaping, surface and subsurface drainage patterns, and other factors.

GEOLOGIC SETTING

As part of our investigation, we briefly reviewed our local experience and geologic information in our files pertinent to the general area of the site. The information reviewed indicates that the site is underlain by Holocene age older alluvial fan deposits, Qhf2 (Blake, Graymer, McLaughlin and Wentworth, 1999). The unit is generally described as brown or tan, medium dense gravelly sand or sandy gravel that transitions upward to sandy or silty clay. The geology within the site vicinity is shown on the Vicinity Geologic Map, Figure 3.

The property and the immediate vicinity are located in an area that slopes very gently toward the southwest (approximately 10 feet vertically per 3,000 feet laterally, although locally the topography may be steeper). The site is located at an elevation of approximately 200 feet above sea level.

The Geologic Hazard Zone Map (2012) prepared by the County of Santa Clara and the State Seismic Hazard Zones Map of the San Jose East Quadrangle (California Geological Survey, 2001) indicates the site is located in an area that may be underlain by soils that have the potential to liquefy during a major earthquake. The potential for liquefaction of the soils encountered at the site is discussed later in this report.

Faulting and Seismicity

The County Hazard map indicates the site is located in a fault rupture hazard zone possibly related to the Silver Creek fault located to the northeast. The City of San Jose map (1983) indicates a splay fault, shown as the Evergreen fault splay mapped immediately to the northeast of the site. However, we understand that recent fault

trenching work conducted between the site and the mapped faults did not encounter traces of faulting and that the City has indicated that a fault study is not required for project approval.

The site is not located within a State of California Earthquake Fault Zone (formerly known as a Special Studies Zone), an area where the potential for fault rupture is considered probable. The closest active fault is the Hayward fault, located approximately 3.5 miles northeast of the property. Thus, the likelihood of surface rupture occurring from active faulting at the site is low.

The San Francisco Bay Area is an active seismic region. Earthquakes in the region result from strain energy constantly accumulating because of the northwestward movement of the Pacific Plate relative to the North American Plate. On average about 1.6-inches of movement occur per year. Historically, the Bay Area has experienced large, destructive earthquakes in 1838, 1868, 1906, and 1989. The faults considered most likely to produce large earthquakes in the area include the Hayward, Calaveras, San Andreas, and San Gregorio faults. The San Andreas and Calaveras faults are located approximately 12 miles southwest and 13 miles northeast of the site, respectively. The San Gregorio fault is located approximately 30 miles southwest of the site. These faults and significant earthquakes that have been documented in the Bay Area are listed in Table 1 and are shown on the Regional Fault and Seismicity Map, Figure 4.

**Table 1. Earthquake Magnitudes and Historical Earthquakes
Piercy Hotel
San Jose California**

<u>Fault</u>	<u>Maximum Magnitude (Mw)</u>	<u>Historical Earthquakes</u>	<u>Estimated Magnitude</u>
San Andreas	7.9	1989 Loma Prieta	6.9
		1906 San Francisco	7.9
		1865 N. of 1989 Loma Prieta Earthquake	6.5
		1838 San Francisco-Peninsula Segment	6.8
		1836 East of Monterey	6.5
Hayward	7.1	1868 Hayward	6.8
		1858 Hayward	6.8
Calaveras	6.8	1984 Morgan Hill	6.2
		1911 Morgan Hill	6.2
		1897 Gilroy	6.3
San Gregorio	7.3	1926 Monterey Bay	6.1

In the future, the subject property will undoubtedly experience severe ground shaking during moderate and large magnitude earthquakes produced along the San Andreas fault or other active Bay Area fault zones. The Working Group On California Earthquake Probabilities, a panel of experts that are periodically convened to estimate the likelihood of future earthquakes based on the latest science and ground motion prediction modeling, concluded there is a 72 percent chance for at least one earthquake of Magnitude 6.7 or larger in the Bay Area before 2045. The Hayward fault has the highest likelihood of an earthquake greater than or equal to magnitude 6.7 in the Bay Area, estimated at 14 percent, while the likelihood on the San Andreas and Calaveras faults is estimated at approximately 6 and 7 percent, respectively (Working Group, 2015).

Earthquake Design Parameters

The State of California currently requires that buildings and structures be designed in accordance with the seismic design provisions presented in the 2016 California Building Code and in ASCE 7-10, "Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures." Based on site geologic conditions and on information from our subsurface exploration at the site, the site may be classified as Site Class D, stiff soil, in accordance with Chapter 20 of ASCE 7-10. Spectral Response Acceleration parameters and site coefficients may be taken directly from the U.S.G.S. website based on the longitude and latitude of the site. For site latitude (37.2596), longitude (-121.7816) and Site Class D, design parameters are presented on Table 2.

**Table 2. 2016 CBC Seismic Design Criteria
Piercy Hotel
San Jose, California**

<u>Spectral Response Acceleration Parameters</u>	<u>Design Value</u>
Mapped Value for Short Period - S_S	1.50
Mapped Value for 1-sec Period - S_1	0.60
Site Coefficient - F_a	1.0
Site Coefficient - F_v	1.5
Adjusted for Site Class - S_M	1.500
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Adjusted for Site Class - S_{M1}	0.90
Value for Design Earthquake - S_{DS}	1.00
Value for Design Earthquake - S_{D1}	0.60

Liquefaction Discussion

Severe ground shaking during an earthquake can cause loose to medium dense granular soils to densify. If the granular soils are below ground water, their densification can cause increases in pore water pressure, which can lead to soil softening, liquefaction, and ground deformation. Soils most prone to liquefaction are saturated, loose to medium dense, silty sands and sandy silts with limited drainage, and in some cases, sands and gravels that are interbedded with or that contain seams or layers of impermeable soil.

The soils encountered during our investigation at the site below the ground water table were generally very stiff to hard clayey soils and dense to very dense sands and gravels which are not prone to liquefaction. Therefore, in our opinion, the likelihood of damage from liquefaction occurring within the soils encountered in our borings at the site is low.

Geologic Hazards

As part of our investigation, we reviewed the potential for geologic hazards, other than liquefaction which was discussed above, to impact the site and the proposed building, considering the geologic setting and the soils encountered during our investigation. The results of our review are presented below and in the following sections of our report.

- **Fault Rupture** - The site is not located in a State of California Earthquake Fault Zone or area where fault rupture is considered likely. Therefore, active faults are not believed to exist beneath the site and the potential for fault rupture at the site is considered low.
- **Ground Shaking** - The site is located in an active seismic area. Moderate to large earthquakes are probable along several active faults in the greater Bay Area over a 30 to 50 year design life. Strong ground shaking should therefore be expected several times during the life of the building, as is typical for sites throughout the Bay Area. The building should be designed in accordance with current earthquake resistance standards.
- **Dynamic Densification** - Dynamic densification occurs during moderate and large earthquakes when soft or loose, natural or fill soils densify and settle, often unevenly across a site. To evaluate the potential for earthquake-induced dynamic densification of the medium dense, clayey gravel encountered at the site, we performed a settlement analysis of the data from our borings following the methods presented in the US Army Corps of Engineers EM1110-1-1904.

Medium dense clayey gravel was encountered in Boring EB-1 between depths of about 5 to 11 feet. These granular soils are potentially prone to dynamic densification when subjected to the maximum considered earthquake acceleration (PGA_M) of 0.50g based on the Probabilistic Seismic Hazards Mapping Ground Motion Page (CGS, 2017). Based on the results of our analysis, we estimate that total settlement of about 1/2-inch could occur within this clayey gravel strata due to severe ground shaking caused by a major earthquake. In our opinion, differential settlement of about 1/4- to 1/2-inch over a horizontal distance of about 50 feet is possible at the ground surface from this amount of total settlement.

CONCLUSIONS

From a geotechnical viewpoint, the site is suitable for the proposed Piercy Hotel provided the recommendations presented in this report are followed during design and construction. Specific geotechnical recommendations for the project are presented in the following sections of this report.

We expect that the proposed building will be bearing in very stiff to hard native soils. In our opinion, the proposed hotel building may be supported on conventional spread footing foundations bearing in stiff native soils. As an alternative, if desired, the proposed building may also be supported on a reinforced concrete mat foundation. At this time, building loads are not available. During design, our office should be retained to finalize the preliminary foundation design and building settlement criteria presented in this report.

Because subsurface conditions may vary from those encountered at the location of our borings, and to observe that our recommendations are properly implemented, we recommend that we be retained to: 1) review the grading and foundation plans for conformance with the recommendations presented in this report and; 2) observe and test during earthwork, foundation, shoring, drainage and slab construction.

FOUNDATIONS

Spread Footing Foundations

In our opinion, the building and other minor site improvements such as privacy and trash enclosure walls may be supported on a conventional spread footing foundation system bearing on stiff native soil. All continuous footings should have a width of at least 15 inches and should extend at least 30 inches below exterior grade and at least 24 inches below the bottom of concrete slabs-on-grade, whichever is deeper. On a preliminary

basis, continuous footings with at least these minimum dimensions may be designed for an allowable bearing pressure of 3,000 pounds per square foot for dead loads, 4,000 pounds per square foot for dead plus live loads with a one-third increase allowed when considering additional short-term wind or seismic loading.

All footings located adjacent to utility lines should bear below a 1:1 plane extending up from the bottom edge of the utility trench. We recommend that continuous foundations be designed with sufficient depth and reinforcing to tolerate the estimated differential settlement.

Our representative should observe all footing excavations prior to placement of reinforcing steel to confirm that they expose suitable material and have been properly cleaned. If soft or loose soils are encountered in the foundation excavations, our field representative may require overexcavation and/or compactive effort or a deeper footing depth before the reinforcing steel is placed.

Structural Mat Foundation

As an alternative to the spread footing foundation, the building may be supported on a reinforced concrete mat foundation bearing on a properly prepared and compacted native soil subgrade. On a preliminary basis, the mat may be designed for an average allowable bearing pressure of 3,000 pounds per square foot for combined dead plus live loads, with maximum localized bearing pressures of 4,000 pounds per square foot at column or wall loads. These pressures may be increased by one-third when considering additional short-term wind or seismic loading. The weight of the mat may be neglected in design. The mat foundation should be designed with a thickened perimeter edge. The thickened perimeter edge should have a width of at least 12 inches, should extend at least 24 inches below exterior grade, and at least 12 inches below the bottom of the mat, whichever is deeper.

The mat should be reinforced to provide structural continuity and to permit spanning of local irregularities. On a preliminary basis, a modulus of subgrade reaction (K_v) of 100 pounds per cubic inch may be assumed for the mat subgrade. This value is based on a 1-foot square bearing area and should be scaled to account for mat foundation size effects. Alternatively, once building loads and estimated post construction differential settlement are available, a modulus of subgrade reaction (K_v) may be estimated for the mat subgrade (typically on the order of 15 to 35 pci). The mat should also be designed with sufficient depth and reinforcing to span over localized weak compressible areas.

The mat foundation should be reinforced to provide structural continuity and to permit spanning of local irregularities.



Prior to mat construction, the mat subgrade should be proof-rolled to provide a smooth firm surface for mat support. In areas where floor dampness is not desired, a capillary barrier system should be installed below the mat in accordance with the slab-on-grade recommendations in this report, or other waterproofing measures should be taken as appropriate considering the floor surface finishes planned. Non-expansive fill is not needed below the mat foundation as long the mat subgrade surface is properly scarified and moisture conditioned prior to mat construction.

Lateral Loads

Lateral loads may be resisted by base friction between the vapor barrier or damp proofing membrane below the mat and the supporting subgrade and by passive soil pressure acting against the sides of the mat foundation. The structural engineer should consult with the membrane manufacturer for the coefficient of friction to be assumed for mat design.

Lateral loads may be resisted by friction between the bottom of the footings and the supporting subgrade. A coefficient of friction of 0.30 may be assumed for footing design. In addition, lateral resistance may be provided by passive soil pressure acting against the sides of foundations cast neat in footing excavations or backfilled with compacted structural fill. We recommend assuming an equivalent fluid pressure of 350 pounds per cubic foot for passive soil resistance, where appropriate. The upper foot of passive soil resistance should be neglected where soil adjacent to the footing or mat will be landscaped or subject to softening from rainfall and/or surface water runoff.

Settlement

On a preliminary basis, the 30-year post-construction differential settlement due to static loads is not expected to exceed about 1-inch across the proposed building, provided the building foundations are designed and constructed as recommended. Once the range of dead and live loads and the foundation configuration have been developed, we should update the magnitude of total and differential foundation settlement to help establish if an adjustment should be made to the allowable bearing capacity values and/or differential settlement.

As discussed earlier, additional differential settlement of about 1/4- to 1/2-inch is possible across the basement foundation from dynamic densification during seismic shaking.

SLABS-ON-GRADE

General Slab Considerations

Portions of the surface and near surface soils at this site have a low to moderate potential for expansion. Expansive soils expand due to increases in moisture content and shrink as they dry. This can result in some slab lifting and cracking regardless of the geotechnical measures that are implemented. The recommendations presented below will help mitigate the influence of the expansive soils on the overlying concrete slabs-on-grade but will not eliminate the risks entirely.

To reduce the potential for expansion of the soil subgrades below at-grade concrete slabs-on-grade, at least the upper 6-inches of the surface soil should be scarified, moisture conditioned, and compacted at a moisture content at least 2 percent above the laboratory optimum. The native soil subgrade should be kept moist up until the time the non-expansive fill, crushed rock and vapor barrier, and/or aggregate base section is installed. Slab subgrades and non-expansive fill should be prepared and compacted as recommended in the section of this report titled "Earthwork." Exterior flatwork and interior slabs-on-grade should be underlain by a layer of non-expansive fill as described below. The non-expansive fill should consist of imported soil with a Plasticity Index no greater than 15, preferably Class 2 aggregate base.

Considering the potential for expansive soil movements of the surface soil, we expect that reinforced slabs will perform better than unreinforced slabs. Consideration should be given to using a control joint spacing on the order of 2 feet in each direction for each inch of slab thickness.

Exterior Flatwork

Concrete walkways and exterior flatwork should be at least 4 inches thick and should be constructed on at least 6 inches of Class 2 aggregate base. The potential for distress to exterior slabs due to expansive soil movements could be reduced by placing and compacting 4 inches of non-expansive fill, or aggregate base, below the minimum 6-inch thick layer of aggregate base recommended above. To improve performance, exterior slabs-on-grade may be constructed with a thickened edge to improve edge stiffness and to reduce the potential for water seepage under the edge of the slabs.

Interior Slabs

Concrete slab-on-grade floors for the building (other than a structural mat slab) should be constructed on a layer of non-expansive fill at least 10-inches thick and constructed on a properly prepared and compacted soil subgrade.

Moisture Considerations

In areas where dampness of concrete floor slabs or mat would be undesirable, such as within building interiors, concrete slabs and mat should be underlain by at least 4 inches of clean, free-draining gravel, such as ½-inch to ¾-inch clean crushed rock with no more than 5 percent passing the ASTM No. 200 sieve. Pea gravel should not be used. The crushed rock should be compacted with vibratory equipment and may be considered at the upper portion of the non expansive fill recommended above. To reduce vapor transmission up through at-grade concrete floor slabs, the crushed rock section should be covered with a high-quality, UV-resistant membrane vapor retarder meeting the minimum ASTM E 1745, Class C requirements or better. If moisture-sensitive floor coverings are proposed and/or additional protection is desired by the owner, a higher quality vapor barrier conforming to the requirements of ASTM E 1745 Class A, with a water vapor transmission rate less than or equal to 0.01 perms (such as 15-mil thick “Stego Wrap Class A”) may be used rather than a Class C vapor retarder. The vapor retarder or barrier should be placed directly below the concrete slab. Sand above the vapor retarder/barrier is not recommended. The vapor retarder/barrier should be installed in accordance with ASTM E 1643. All seams and penetrations of the vapor barrier should be sealed in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations.

The permeability of concrete is affected significantly by the water:cement ratio of the mix, with lower water:cement ratios producing more damp-resistant slabs and higher strength. Where moisture protection is important and/or where the concrete will be placed directly on the vapor barrier, the water:cement ratio should be 0.45 or less. To increase the workability of the concrete, mid-range plasticizers may be added to the mix. Water should not be added to the mix unless the slump is less than specified and the water:cement ratio will not exceed 0.45. Other steps that may be taken to reduce moisture transmission through concrete slabs-on-grade include moist curing for 5 to 7 days and allowing the slab to dry for a period of two months or longer prior to placing floor coverings. Prior to installation of floor coverings, it may be appropriate to test the slab moisture content for adherence to the manufacturer’s requirements to determine whether a longer drying time is necessary.

SWIMMING POOL

In our opinion, the swimming pool walls should be designed to resist a lateral equivalent fluid pressure of 65 pounds per cubic foot. The pool walls should also be designed to resist an additional uniform pressure equivalent to one-half of any surcharge pressure applied at the surface, such as from foundations. In addition, a pressure relief valve(s) should be placed in the bottom of the pool to limit damage from hydrostatic pressure that may develop when the pool is emptied for maintenance.

To allow ground water to flow to the pressure relief valve(s), 4-inches of clean, 1/2- to 3/4-inch crushed rock should be placed beneath the pool. If installed, filter fabric should be used to separate the crushed rock from the subgrade soils. If desired, drainage pipes could be provided from the gravel to a sump that could pump temporarily when the pool is empty or to daylight. If the crushed rock section is not placed below the pool, the pool bottom may need to be perforated at several locations as a buoyancy prevention measure when the pool is emptied for maintenance.

Proper surface drainage should be provided about the pool decks to divert water to catch basins and other inlets for water to be carried away in closed drainpipes. Also, flexible bituminous caulking or equivalent should be applied at the juncture of the pool and decks to limit infiltration of surface water into the native soils. Recommendations for swimming pool deck construction are presented in the “Slabs-on-Grade” section above.

VEHICLE PAVEMENTS**Asphalt Concrete Pavements**

Based on the anticipated composition of the surface soils, and an estimated traffic index for the proposed pavement loading conditions, we developed the minimum pavement sections presented in Table 3 below based on Procedure 630 of the Caltrans Highway Design Manual.

The Traffic Indices used in our pavement thickness calculations are considered reasonable values for this development and are based on engineering judgment rather than on detailed traffic projections. Asphalt concrete and aggregate base should conform to and be placed in accordance with the requirements of the Caltrans Standard Specifications, latest edition, except that compaction should be based on ASTM Test D1557.

**Table 3. Pavement Sections
Piercy Hotel
San Jose, California**

Traffic Loading Condition	Design Traffic Index	Asphalt Concrete (inches)	Aggregate Base* (inches)	Total Thickness (inches)
Automobile Parking	4.0	3.0	6.0	9.0
Automobile Access	4.5	3.0	7.0	10.0
Light Truck Traffic	5.0	3.0	8.0	11.0
Moderate Truck Traffic	6.0	4.0	10.0	14.0
Heavy Truck Traffic	7.0	4.0	13.0	17.0

*Caltrans Class 2 Aggregate Base (minimum R-value = 78).

We recommend that measures be taken to limit the amount of surface water that seeps into the aggregate base and subgrade below vehicle pavements, particularly where the pavements are adjacent to landscape areas. Seepage of water into the pavement base material tends to soften the subgrade, increasing the amount of pavement maintenance that is required and shortening the pavement service life. Deepened curbs extending 4-inches below the bottom of the aggregate base layer are generally effective in limiting excessive water seepage. Other types of water cutoff devices or edge drains may also be considered to maintain pavement service life.

Portland Cement Concrete Pavements

If Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) pavements are to be used on portions of the site, the minimum required thickness of the PCC pavements should be based on the anticipated traffic loading, the modulus of rupture of the concrete that will be used for pavement construction, and the composition and supporting characteristics of the soil subgrade below the pavement section.

To provide a general guideline for the minimum required thickness of PCC pavements, we used information in the Portland Cement Association publication titled “Thickness Design for Concrete Highway and Street Pavements.” We assumed “low” subgrade support from the on-site soils, considering typical residential street traffic (up to 25 daily trucks with maximum single axle loads of 22 kips and maximum tandem axle loads of 36 kips), aggregate-interlock joints (i.e. no dowels), no concrete shoulder or curb, a modulus of rupture of concrete of 550 psi (which correlates to a concrete compressive strength of

approximately 3,700 psi), at least 8 inches of Class 2 aggregate base below the PCC pavement, and 20-year pavement service life. Sufficient control joints should be incorporated in the design and construction to limit and control cracking.

Based on the design assumptions described above, a PCC pavement with a thickness of at least 6 inches would be adequate for average daily truck traffic (ADTT) of one; a thickness of at least 6.5 inches would be adequate for ADTT of 13; and a thickness of at least 7 inches would be adequate for ADTT of 110.

EARTHWORK

Clearing and Subgrade Preparation

All deleterious materials, such as existing foundations, pavements, flatwork, utilities to be abandoned, vegetation, root systems, surface fills, topsoil, etc. should be cleared from areas of the site to be built on or paved. The actual stripping depth should be determined by a member of our staff in the field at the time of construction. Excavations that extend below finished grade should be backfilled with structural fill that is water-conditioned, placed, and compacted as recommended in the section of this report titled "Compaction."

After the site has been properly cleared, stripped, and excavated to the required grades, exposed soil surfaces in areas to receive structural fill or slabs-on-grade should be scarified to a depth of 6 inches, moisture conditioned, and compacted as recommended for structural fill in the section of this report titled "Compaction."

On-site soils, foundation and utility trench excavations, and slab and pavement subgrades should be kept in a moist condition throughout the construction period.

Material For Fill

All on-site soil containing less than 3 percent organic material by weight (ASTM D2974) may be suitable for use as structural fill. Structural fill should not contain rocks or pieces larger than 6 inches in greatest dimension and no more than 15 percent larger than 2.5 inches. Imported, non-expansive fill should have a Plasticity Index no greater than 15, should be predominately granular, and should have sufficient binder so as not to slough or cave into foundation excavations or utility trenches. A member of our staff should approve proposed import materials prior to their delivery to the site.

Temporary Slopes and Excavations

The contractor should be responsible for the design and construction of all temporary slopes and any required shoring. Shoring and bracing should be provided in accordance



with all applicable local, state, and federal safety regulations, including current OSHA excavation and trench safety standards.

Due to the potential for variation of the on-site soil, field modification of temporary cut slopes may be required. Unstable materials encountered on excavations and slopes during and after excavation should be trimmed off even if this requires cutting the slopes back to a flatter inclination.

Protection of structures near cuts should also be the responsibility of the contractor. In our experience, a preconstruction survey is generally performed to document existing conditions prior to construction, with intermittent monitoring of the structures during construction.

Compaction

Scarified soil surfaces and all structural fill should be compacted in uniform lifts no thicker than 8-inches in uncompacted thickness, conditioned to the appropriate moisture content, and compacted as recommended for structural fill in Table 4 on the following page. The relative compaction and moisture content recommended in Table 4 is relative to ASTM Test D1557, latest edition.

**Table 4. Compaction Recommendations
Piercy Hotel
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<u>General</u>	<u>Relative Compaction*</u>	<u>Moisture Content*</u>
• Scarified subgrade in areas to receive structural fill.	88 to 92 percent	At least 2 percent above optimum
• Structural fill composed of native soil.	88 to 92 percent	At least 2 percent above optimum
• Structural fill composed of non-expansive fill.	90 percent	Above optimum
<u>Pavement Areas</u>		
• Upper 6-inches of soil below baserock.	95 percent	Near optimum
• Aggregate baserock.	95 percent	Near optimum
<u>Utility Trench Backfill</u>		
• On-site soil.	88 to 92 percent	At least 2 percent above optimum
• Imported sand.	95 percent	Near optimum

* Relative to ASTM Test D1557, latest edition.

Finished Slopes

We recommend that finished slopes be cut or filled to an inclination no steeper than 2:1 (horizontal:vertical). Exposed slopes may be subject to minor sloughing and erosion, which could require periodic maintenance. We recommend that all slopes and soil surfaces disturbed during construction be planted with erosion-resistant vegetation.

Surface Drainage

Finished grades should be designed to prevent ponding and to drain surface water away from foundations and edges slabs and pavements, and toward suitable collection and discharge facilities. Slopes of at least 2 percent are recommended for flatwork and pavement areas with 5 percent preferred in landscape areas within 8 feet of the structures, where possible. At a minimum, splash blocks should be provided at the ends of downspouts to carry surface water away from perimeter foundations. Preferably, downspout drainage should be collected in a closed pipe system that is routed to a storm drain system or other suitable discharge outlet.

Infiltration basins or unlined bioswales, if any, preferably should not be placed within about 10 feet of the building foundation or slab or flatwork areas. Drains should be provided for infiltration basins that direct water to an appropriate outlet as required by the civil engineer.

Drainage facilities should be observed to verify that they are adequate and that no adjustments need to be made, especially during first two years following construction. We recommend that an as-built plan be prepared to show the locations of all surface and subsurface drain lines and clean-outs. Drainage facilities should be periodically checked to verify that they are continuing to function properly. The drainage facilities will probably need to be periodically cleaned of silt and debris that may build up in the lines.

FUTURE SERVICES**Plan Review**

Romig Engineers should review the completed grading and foundation plans for conformance with the recommendations presented in this report. We should be provided with these plans as soon as possible upon their completion in order to limit the potential for delays in the permitting process that might otherwise be attributed to our review. In addition, it should be noted that many of the local building and planning departments now require “clean” geotechnical plan review letters prior to acceptance of plans for their final review. Since our plan reviews typically result in recommendations for modification of



the plans, our generation of a “clean” review letter often requires two iterations. At a minimum, we recommend the following note be added to the plans.

“Earthwork, foundation construction, mat and/or slab subgrade preparation, swimming pool construction, utility trench backfill, pavement construction, and site drainage should be performed in accordance with the geotechnical report prepared by Romig Engineers, Inc., dated September 29, 2017. Romig Engineers should be notified at least 48 hours in advance of any earthwork or foundation construction and should observe and test during earthwork and foundation construction as recommended in the geotechnical report.”

Construction Observation and Testing

The earthwork and foundation phases of construction should be observed and tested by us to 1) confirm that subsurface conditions are compatible with those used in the analysis and design; 2) observe compliance with the design concepts, specifications, and recommendations; and 3) allow design changes in the event that subsurface conditions differ from those anticipated. The recommendations presented in this report are based on a limited amount of subsurface exploration. The nature and extent of variation across the site may not become evident until construction. If variations are exposed during construction, it will be necessary to reevaluate our recommendations.



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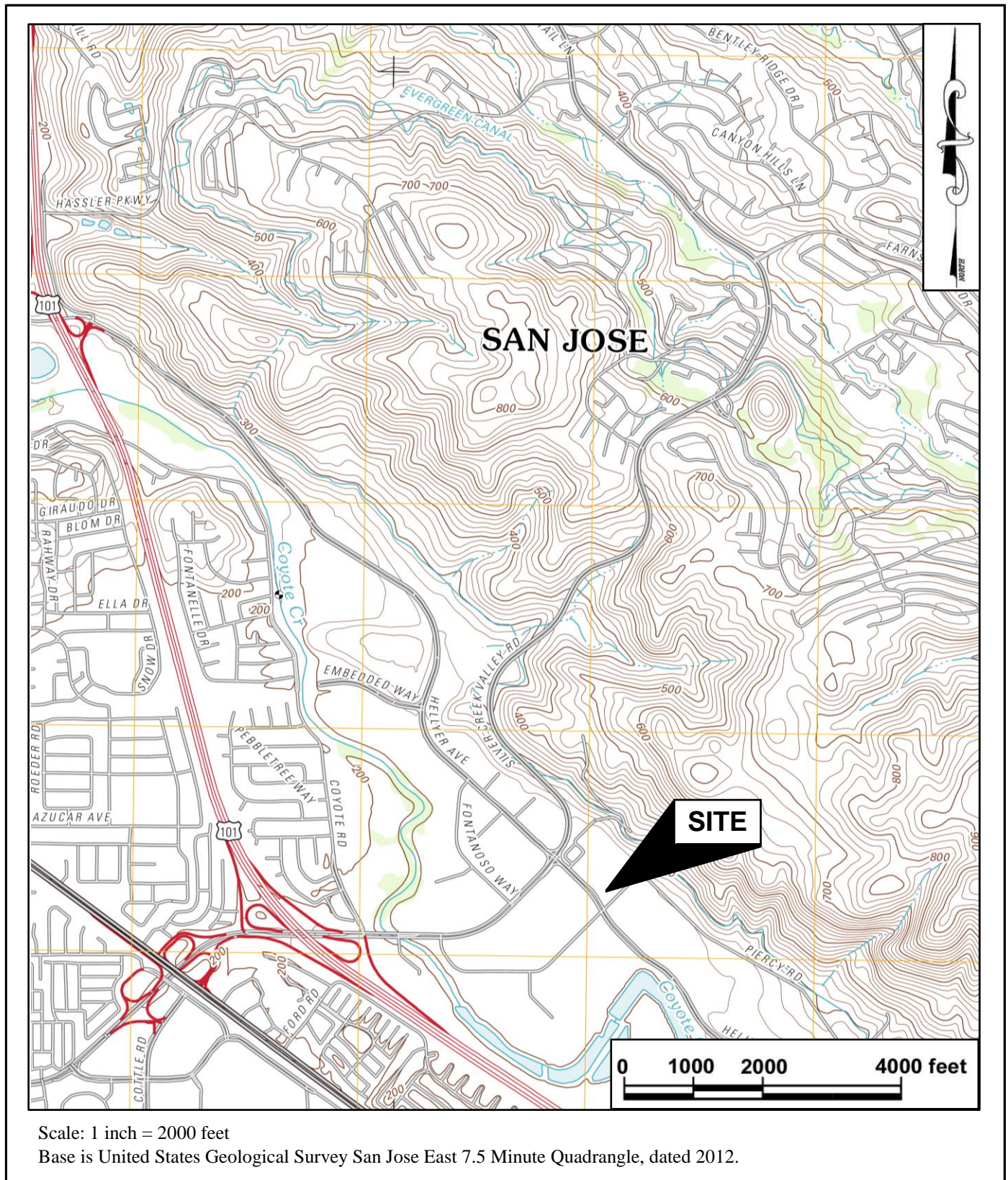
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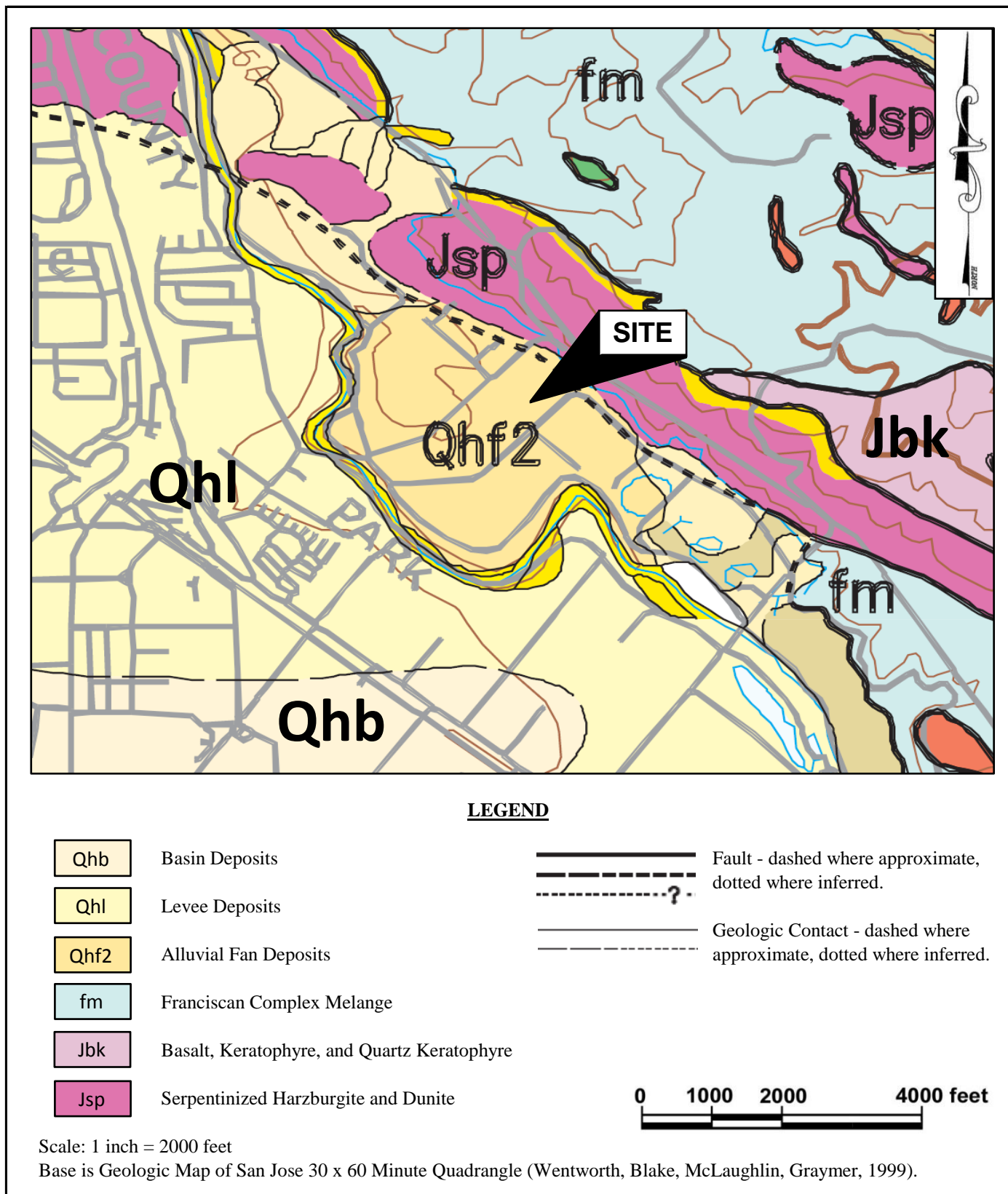
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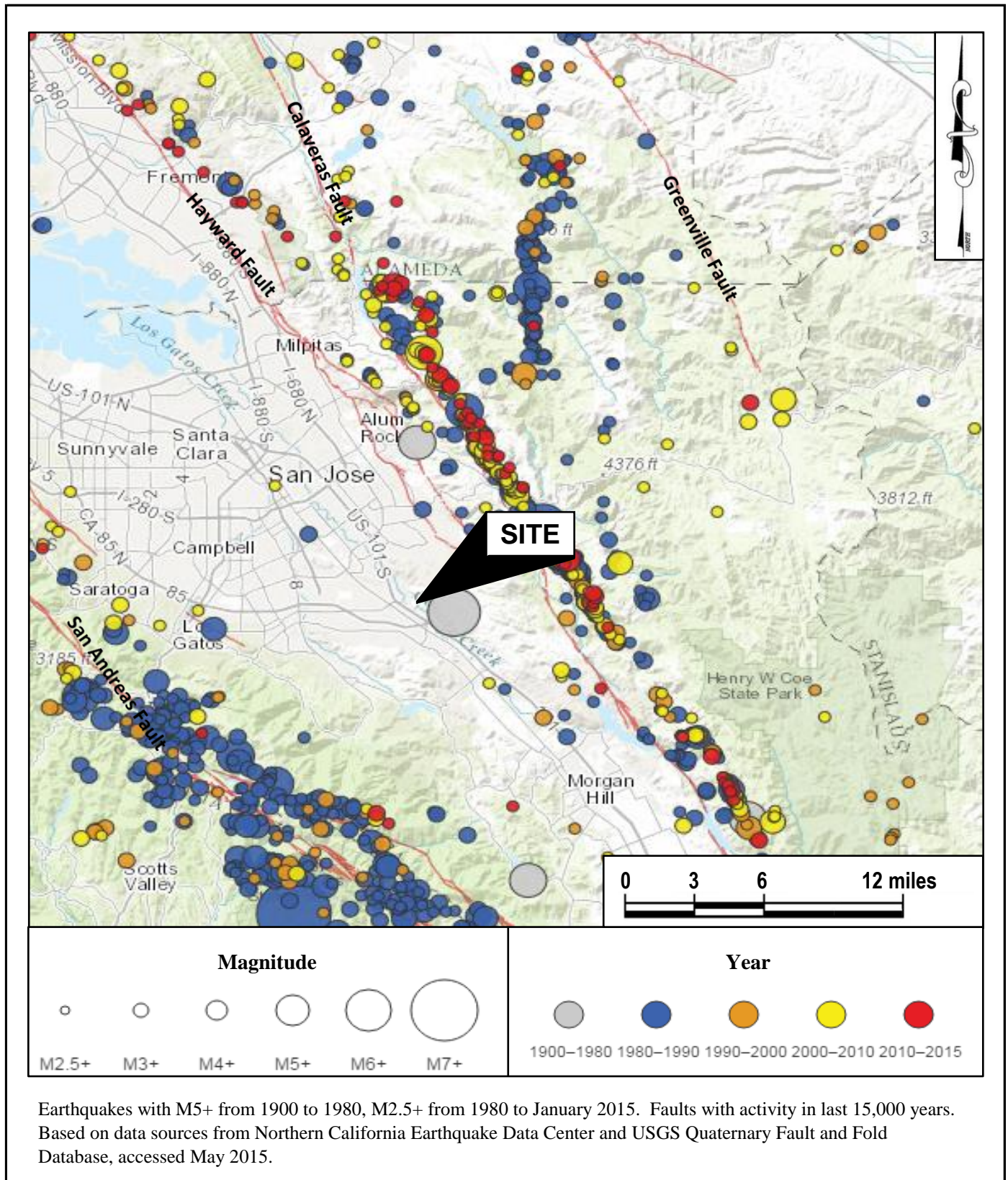
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REGIONAL FAULT AND SEISMICITY MAP
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APPENDIX A

FIELD INVESTIGATION

The soils encountered during drilling were logged by our representative and samples were obtained at depths appropriate to the investigation. The samples were taken to our laboratory where they were evaluated and classified in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. The logs of our borings and a summary of the soil classification system used on the logs (Figure A-1), are attached.

Several tests were performed in the field during drilling. The standard penetration test resistance was determined by dropping a 140-pound hammer through a 30-inch free fall and recording the blows required to drive the 2-inch diameter sampler 18 inches. The standard penetration test (SPT) resistance is the number of blows required to drive the sampler the last 12 inches and is recorded on the boring logs at the appropriate depths. Soil samples were also collected using 2.5-inch and 3.0-inch O.D. drive samplers. The blow counts shown on the logs for these larger diameter samplers do not represent SPT values and have not been corrected in any way.

The location of the borings were established by pacing using the site plan provided to us and should be considered accurate only to the degree implied by the method used.

The boring logs and related information depict our interpretation of subsurface conditions only at the specific location and time indicated. Subsurface conditions and ground water levels at other locations may differ from conditions at the locations where sampling was conducted. The passage of time may also result in changes in the subsurface conditions.



USCS SOIL CLASSIFICATION

PRIMARY DIVISIONS			SOIL TYPE		SECONDARY DIVISIONS	
COARSE GRAINED SOILS (50 % Fines)	GRAVEL	CLEAN GRAVEL (5 % Fines)	GW		Well graded gravel, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines.	
			GP		Poorly graded gravel or gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines.	
		GRAVEL with FINES	GM		Silty gravels, gravel-sand-silt mixtures, non-plastic fines.	
			GC		Clayey gravels, gravel-sand-clay mixtures, plastic fines.	
	SAND	CLEAN SAND (5 % Fines)	SW		Well graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines.	
			SP		Poorly graded sands or gravelly sands, little or no fines.	
		SAND WITH FINES	SM		Silty sands, sand-silt mixtures, non-plastic fines.	
			SC		Clayey sands, sand-clay mixtures, plastic fines.	
FINE GRAINED SOILS (50 % Fines)	SILT AND CLAY Liquid limit < 50%		ML		Inorganic silts and very fine sands, with slight plasticity.	
			CL		Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, lean clays.	
			OL		Organic silts and organic clays of low plasticity.	
	SILT AND CLAY Liquid limit > 50%		MH		Inorganic silt, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sandy or silty soil.	
			CH		Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays.	
			OH		Organic clays of medium to high plasticity, organic silts.	
HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS			Pt		Peat and other highly organic soils.	
BEDROCK			BR		Weathered bedrock.	

RELATIVE DENSITY

SAND & GRAVEL	BLOWS/FOOT*
VERY LOOSE	0 to 4
LOOSE	4 to 10
MEDIUM DENSE	10 to 30
DENSE	30 to 50
VERY DENSE	OVER 50

CONSISTENCY

SILT & CLAY	STRENGTH^	BLOWS/FOOT*
VERY SOFT	0 to 0.25	0 to 2
SOFT	0.25 to 0.5	2 to 4
FIRM	0.5 to 1	4 to 8
STIFF	1 to 2	8 to 16
VERY STIFF	2 to 4	16 to 32
HARD	OVER 4	OVER 32

GRAIN SIZES

BOULDERS	COBBLES	GRAVEL		SAND			SILT & CLAY
		COARSE	FINE	COARSE	MEDIUM	FINE	
	12 "	3"	0.75"	4	10	40	200
SIEVE OPENINGS				U.S. STANDARD SERIES SIEVE			

Classification is based on the Unified Soil Classification System; fines refer to soil passing a No. 200 sieve.

* Standard Penetration Test (SPT) resistance, using a 140 pound hammer falling 30 inches on a 2 inch O.D. split spoon sampler; blow counts not corrected for larger diameter samplers.

^ Unconfined Compressive strength in tons/sq. ft. as estimated by SPT resistance, field and laboratory tests, and/or visual observation.

KEY TO SAMPLERS

	Modified California Sampler (3-inch O.D.)
	Mid-size Sampler (2.5-inch O.D.)
	Standard Penetration Test Sampler (2-inch O.D.)

KEY TO EXPLORATORY BORING LOGS

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FIGURE A-1

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









DRILL TYPE: Mobile Drill B-61 with 8" Hollow Stem Auger

LOGGED BY: LF

DEPTH TO GROUND WATER: 31 feet

SURFACE ELEVATION: NA

DATE DRILLED: 08/30/17

CLASSIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION	SOIL CONSISTENCY/ DENSITY or ROCK HARDNESS* (Figure A-2)	SOIL TYPE	SOIL SYMBOL	DEPTH (FEET)	SAMPLE INTERVAL	PEN. RESISTANCE (Blows/ft)	WATER CONTENT (%)	SHEAR STRENGTH (TSF)*	UNCONFIN. COMP. (TSF)*
Light brown, Sandy Lean Clay, moist, fine to medium sand, low to moderate plasticity, trace subrounded to round gravel.	Very Stiff	CL		0					
						13			
						17	13		
						10			
				5		17	16		
Light brown to gray, Clayey Gravel, slightly moist, fine to coarse sand, 1/4- to 1-inch diameter subangular to round gravel.	Medium Dense	GC				3			
						25	2		
				10		14	2		
Brown, Sandy Lean Clay, moist, fine to coarse sand, low plasticity, trace fine angular to round gravel.	Very Stiff	CL							
				15		19	12		
Light brown, Poorly Graded Sand, moist, slightly moist, fine to medium sand, trace fine subrounded to rounded gravel.	Dense	SP							
● 11% Passing No. 200 Sieve.				20		36	5		
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Light brown, Poorly Graded Sand, moist, slightly moist, fine to medium sand, trace fine subrounded to rounded gravel.	Dense	SP		20					
Brown, Sandy Lean Clay, moist, fine sand, moderate plasticity.	Hard	CL		25		37	12		
Very moist, decreased plasticity.				30		32	33	> 4.5	
▼ Ground water measured at 31 feet after drilling.				31					
				35		33	31		
Bottom of Boring at 35 feet.									
Note: The stratification lines represent the approximate boundary between soil and rock types, the actual transition may be gradual.									
*Measured using Torvane and Pocket Penetrometer devices.				40					

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




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Dark brown to brown, Sandy Lean Clay, moist, fine to medium sand, low to moderate plasticity, trace subangular gravel, some small roots.	Very Stiff to Hard	CL		0					
						39	14	>4.5	
						53	15	>4.5	
				5					
						34	14	>4.5	
						37	16	>4.5	
				10					
						22	15		
				15					
						11	33		
				20					
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SURFACE ELEVATION: NA

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Dark brown to brown, Sandy Lean Clay, moist, fine to medium sand, moderate plasticity, trace gravel.	Very Stiff to Hard	CL		20		20	29	2.0	
▼ Ground water measured at 21 feet after drilling.									
● 79% Passing No. 200 Sieve.				25					
				30					
						29	32	3.8	
				35					
						59	31	4.0	
				40					
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Dark brown to brown, Sandy Lean Clay, moist, fine to medium sand, moderate plasticity, trace gravel, some small roots.	Very Stiff	CL		40					
				45		67	28		
				50		90	29	>4.5	
Bottom of Boring at 50 feet.									
				55					
				60					

Note: The stratification lines represent the approximate boundary between soil and rock types, the actual transition may be gradual.

*Measured using Torvane and Pocket Penetrometer devices.

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Dark brown to brown, Sandy Silt, moist, fine sand, low to moderate plasticity, some small roots. ■ Liquid Limit = 40, Plasticity Index = 19.	Hard	CL		0					
						39	17	>4.5	
				5		48	2	>4.5	
						40	9		
				10		32	11	>4.5	
						54	7		
				15					
				20		47	10		
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Light brown to gray, Clayey Gravel, moist, fine to coarse sand, fine to coarse gravel, low plasticity. ▼ Ground water measured at 21 feet after drilling. Ground water encountered during drilling at 24 feet.	Dense to Very Dense	GC		20 ▼					
				25		60	32		
Brown, Sandy Lean Clay, fine to medium sand, moderate plasticity.	Very Stiff	CL							
				30		19	32		
				35		19	31		1.5
				40		16	25		
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SURFACE ELEVATION: NA

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Brown, Sandy Lean Clay, fine to coarse sand, low to moderate plasticity.	Very Stiff to Hard	CL		40		20	25		
				45					
				50					
Bottom of Boring at 50 feet. Note: The stratification lines represent the approximate boundary between soil and rock types, the actual transition may be gradual. *Measured using Torvane and Pocket Penetrometer devices.						76	35		
				55					
				60					

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



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DEPTH TO GROUND WATER: 25 feet

SURFACE ELEVATION: NA

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Dark brown to brown, Sandy lean Clay, moist, fine to medium sand, low to moderate plasticity, trace subangular to round gravel.	Very Stiff to Hard	CL		0					
						33	14		
						49	13		
				5					
						37	13		>4.5
						30	13		
				10					
				15					
	Stiff					12	30		0.5
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LOGGED BY: LF

DEPTH TO GROUND WATER: 25 feet

SURFACE ELEVATION: NA

DATE DRILLED: 08/30/17

CLASSIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION	SOIL CONSISTENCY/ DENSITY or ROCK HARDNESS* (Figure A-2)	SOIL TYPE	SOIL SYMBOL	DEPTH (FEET)	SAMPLE INTERVAL	PEN. RESISTANCE (Blows/ft)	WATER CONTENT (%)	SHEAR STRENGTH (TSF)*	UNCONFIN. COMP. (TSF)*
Dark brown to brown, Sandy Lean Clay, moist, fine to medium sand, low to moderate plasticity, trace gravel.	Very Stiff	CL		20					
▼ Ground water measured at 25 feet after drilling.									
				30		27	29	2.5	
Bottom of Boring at 30 feet.									
				35					
Note: The stratification lines represent the approximate boundary between soil and rock types, the actual transition may be gradual.									
*Measured using Torvane and Pocket Penetrometer devices.				40					

EXPLORATORY BORING LOG EB-4

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APPENDIX B

LABORATORY TESTS

Samples from subsurface exploration were selected for tests to help evaluate the physical and engineering properties of the soils encountered at the site. The tests that were performed are briefly described below.

The natural moisture content was determined in accordance with ASTM D2216 on nearly all of the soil samples recovered from the borings. This test determines the moisture content, representative of field conditions at the time the samples were collected. The results are presented on the boring logs at the appropriate sample depths.

The Atterberg Limits were determined on one sample of soil in accordance with ASTM D4318. The Atterberg Limits are the moisture content within which the soil is workable or plastic. The results of this test are presented in Figure B-1 and on the log of Boring EB-3 at the appropriate sample depth.

The amount of silt and clay-sized material present was determined on three samples of soil in accordance with ASTM D422. The results are presented on the boring logs at the appropriate sample depths.

An unconsolidated-undrained triaxial test was performed on one sample of soil in accordance with ASTM D2850. The result of this test is presented on Figure B-2.



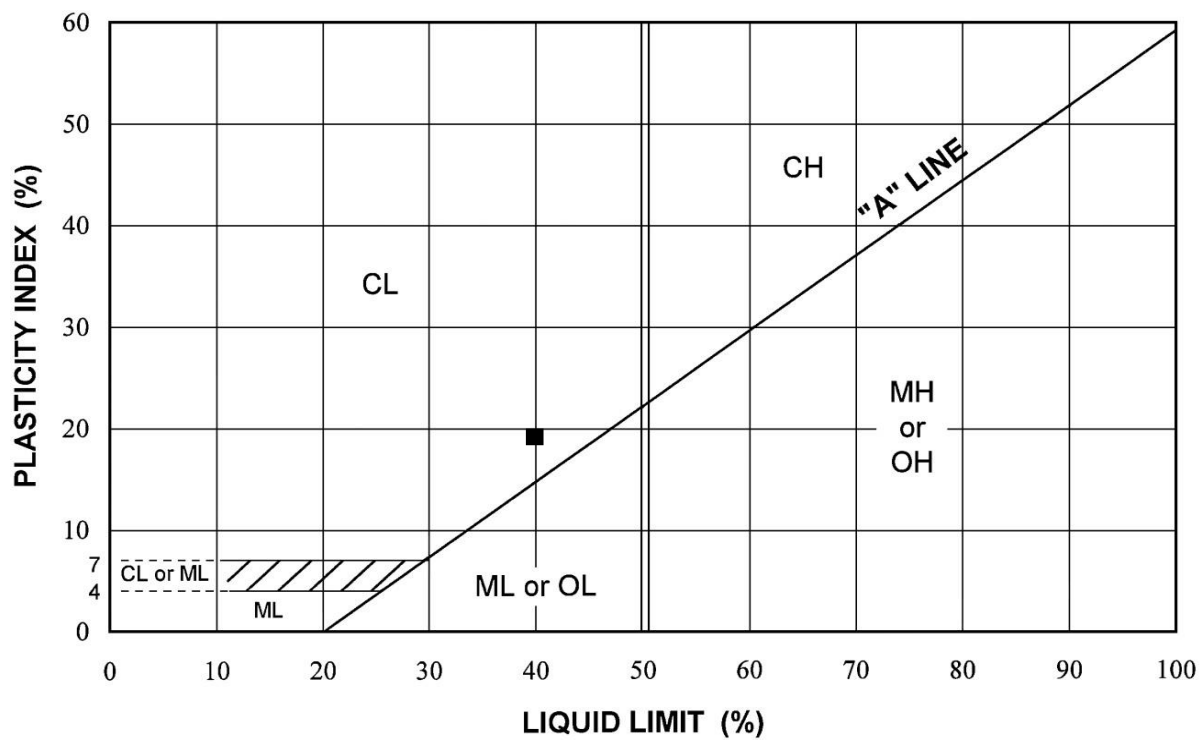


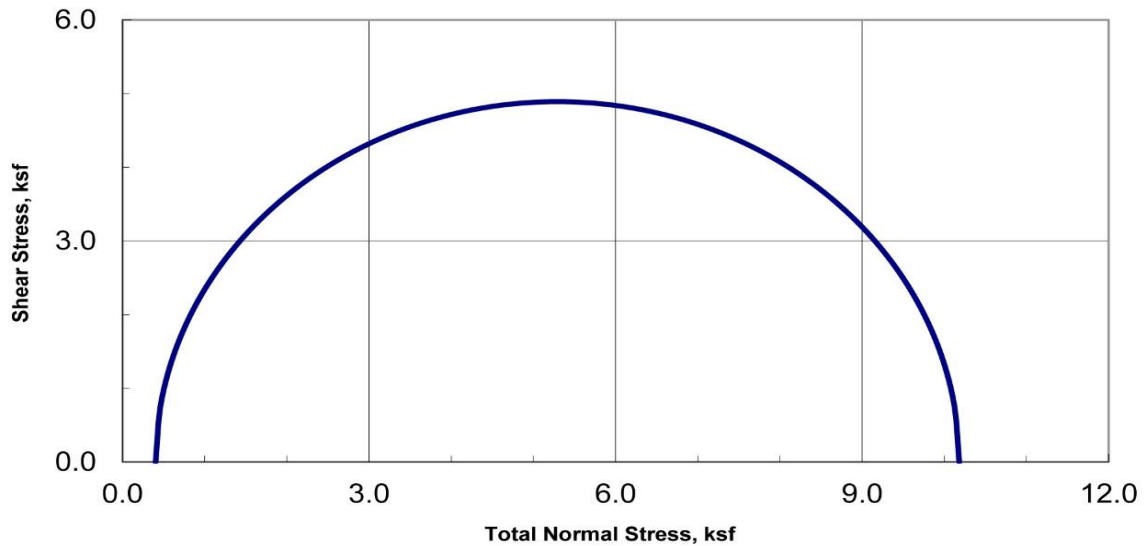
Chart Symbol	Boring Number	Sample Depth (feet)	Water Content (percent)	Liquid Limit (percent)	Plasticity Index (percent)	Liquidity Index (percent)	Passing No. 200 Sieve (percent)	USCS Soil Classification
■	EB-3	1-2.5	17	40	19	-21		CL

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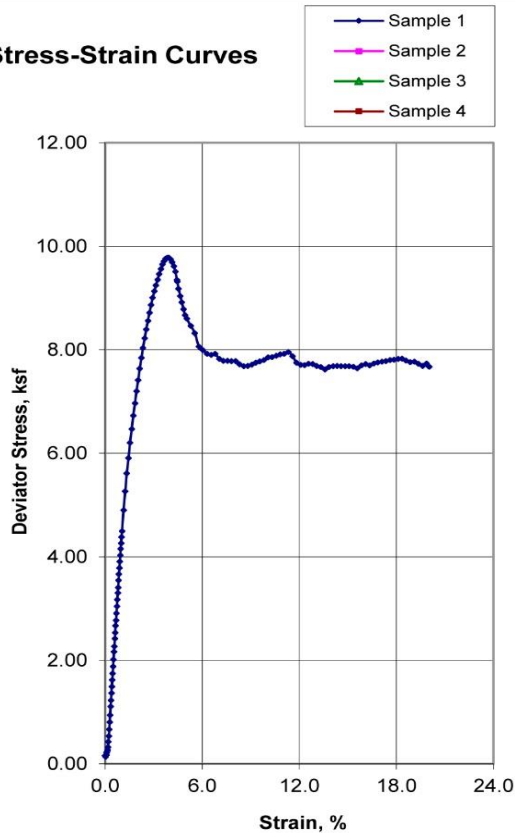
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Unconsolidated-Undrained Triaxial Test ASTM D2850



Stress-Strain Curves



Sample Data

	1	2	3	4
Moisture %	13.8			
Dry Den,pcf	113.7			
Void Ratio	0.482			
Saturation %	77.1			
Height in	5.00			
Diameter in	2.41			
Cell psi	2.8			
Strain %	3.94			
Deviator, ksf	9.780			
Rate %/min	1.00			
in/min	0.050			
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Boring:	EB-4			
Sample:				
Depth ft:	6-6.5			

Visual Soil Description

Sample #	
1	Olive Brown Clayey SAND
2	
3	
4	

Remarks:

Note: Strengths are picked at the peak deviator stress or 15% strain which ever occurs first per ASTM D2850.

UNCONSOLIDATED-UNDRAINED TRIAXIAL TEST
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FIGURE B-2
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