

SOILS AND GEOLOGY STUDY STERLING RANCH EAST – FILING NO. 5 PRELIMINARY PLAN NO. 2 COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

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1 SUMMARY

Project Location

The project lies in portions of the SE¼ of Section 33 and SE¼ of Section 34, Township 12 South, Range 65 West of the 6th Principal Meridian in El Paso County, Colorado. The site is located approximately one-mile northeast of Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Project Description

Total acreage involved in Sterling Ranch East Filing No. 5 is approximately 47.17 acres, and one hundred and sixty (160) lots are proposed got the filing. The proposed development is to consist of single-family residential, which will be serviced by Sterling Ranch Metropolitan District.

Scope of Report

This report presents the results of our geologic evaluation and treatment of engineering geologic hazard study.

Land Use and Engineering Geology

This site was found to be suitable for the proposed development. Areas were encountered where the geologic conditions will impose some constraints on development and land use. These include areas of expansive soils, hydrocompaction, shallow bedrock, and seasonally shallow groundwater areas. Based on the proposed development plan, it appears that these areas will have some impact on the development. These conditions will be discussed in greater detail in the report.

In general, it is our opinion that the development can be achieved if the observed geologic conditions on site are either avoided or properly mitigated. All recommendations are subject to the limitations discussed in the report.



2 GENERAL SITE CONDITIONS AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The site is located in portions of the SE¼ of Section 33 and SE¼ of Section 34, Township 12 South, Range 65 West of the 6th Principal Meridian in El Paso County, Colorado. The site is located approximately one-mile northeast of Colorado Springs, Colorado, at the southeast corner of future Sterling Ranch Road and Oak Park Drive. The location of the site is as shown on the Vicinity Map, Figure 1.

The topography of the site is generally gradually sloping to the south. The northern portion of the site has been used a borrow area for fill used in other portions of Sterling Ranch. No drainages were observed on the site, however, two ponds were observed in the northern portion of the site. The ponds were dry at the time of our initial site visit, but had filled with water following recent rainfall. The site boundaries are indicated on the USGS Map, Figure 2. Previous land uses have included equipment storage, a fill borrow area, and grazing and pasture land. The site contains primarily field grasses, cacti, yucca, and weeds. Site photographs, taken April 10, 2023, are included in Appendix A.

Total acreage involved in Sterling Ranch East Filing No. 5 is approximately 47.17 acres, and one hundred and sixty (160) single-family residential lots are proposed. Final grading plans were not available at the time of this report. The Development Plan/Test Boring Location Map is presented in Figure 3.

3 SCOPE OF THE REPORT

The scope of the report will include a general geologic analysis utilizing published geologic data. Detailed site-specific mapping will be conducted to obtain general information in respect to major geographic and geologic features, geologic descriptions and their effects on the development of the property.

4 FIELD INVESTIGATION

Our field investigation consisted of the preparation of a geologic map of any bedrock features and significant surficial deposits. The Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), previously the Soil Conservation Service (SCS) survey was also reviewed to evaluate the site. The position of mappable units within the subject property are shown on the Geologic Map. Our mapping procedures involved both field reconnaissance and measurements and air photo reconnaissance



and interpretation. The same mapping procedures have also been utilized to produce the Engineering Geology Map which identified pertinent geologic conditions affecting development. The field mapping was performed by personnel of Entech Engineering, Inc. on March 10, 2023.

Geologic Hazard Studies were previously performed by Entech Engineering, Inc. for the entire Sterling Ranch development, October 31, 2006 (Reference 3) and January 20, 2009 (Reference 4). Two of the test borings from the previous investigations was located on the subject site (Test Boring Nos. 5 and 10). The location of the test borings is indicated on Figures 3 and 6. The Test Boring Logs are included in Appendix D. Information from these reports was used in evaluating the site.

Eight additional Test Borings were drilled as part of this investigation to determine general soil and bedrock characteristics. The locations of the test borings are indicated on the Development Plan/Test Boring Location Map, Figure 3. The Test Boring Logs are presented in Appendix B, and Summarized on Table 1B. Results of this testing will be discussed later in this report.

Laboratory testing was also performed on some of the soils to classify and determine the soils engineering characteristics. Laboratory tests included grain-size analysis ASTM D-422, Atterberg Limits ASTM D-4318, volume change testing using Swell/Consolidation test. Sulfate testing was performed on select samples to evaluate potential for below grade concrete degradation due to sulfate attack. Results of the laboratory testing are included in Appendix C. A Summary of Laboratory Test Results is presented in Table 1C.

5 SOIL, GEOLOGY, AND ENGINEERING GEOLOGY

5.1 General Geology

Physiographically, the site lies in the western portion of the Great Plains Physiographic Province. Approximately 12¼ miles to the west is a major structural feature known as the Rampart Range Fault. This fault marks the boundary between the Great Plains Physiographic Province and the Southern Rocky Mountain Province. The site exists within the southeastern edge of a large structural feature known as the Denver Basin. Bedrock in the area tends to be very gently dipping in a northeasterly direction (Reference 1). The rocks in the area of the site are sedimentary in nature and typically Upper Cretaceous in age. The bedrock underlying the site consists of the Dawson Formation. Overlying this formation are unconsolidated deposits of eolian and alluvial



soils of Quaternary Age. The alluvial soils were deposited by water on site and as stream terraces along Sand Creek and the drainages located on the site. Man-made soils exist as fill piles located in the southern portion of the site. The site's stratigraphy will be discussed in more detail in Section 5.3.

5.2 Soil Conservation Survey

The Natural Resource Conservation Service (Reference 2), previously the Soil Conservation Service (Reference 3) has mapped three soil types on the site (Figure 4). In general, the soils classify as coarse sandy loam. The soils are described as follows:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Description</u>
8	Blakeland Loamy Sand, 1 to 9% slopes
19	Columbine Gravelly Sandy Loam, 0 to 3% slopes

Complete descriptions of each soil type are presented in Appendix D. The soils have generally been described to have moderate to moderately rapid permeabilities. Possible hazards with soil erosion are present on the site. The erosion potential can be controlled with vegetation. The majority of the soils have been described to have moderate erosion hazards

5.3 Site Stratigraphy

The Falcon NW Quadrangle Geology Map showing the site is presented in Figure 5 (Reference 4). The Geology Map prepared for the site is presented in Figure 6. Three mappable units were identified on this site which are described as follows:

Qaf Artificial Fill of Quaternary Age: These recent man-made deposits associated with a fill berm located in the southern portion of the site. The berm is currently located in the propose pond area and will likely be removed during site grading.

Qes Eolian Sand of Quaternary Age: These deposits are fine to medium grained soil deposited on the site by the action of prevailing winds from the west and northwest. They typically occur as large dune deposits or narrow ridges. These soil types are typically tan to brown in color and tend to have very uniform or well-sorted gradation, and tend to have a relatively high permeability and low density.



Qao₁ Old alluvium two of Holocene Age: These materials consist of stream-deposited alluvium, typically classified as a silty to well-graded sand, brown to dark brown in color and of moderate density occurring as terrace deposits. Old Alluvium One can sometimes be very highly stratified containing thing layers of very silty and clayey soil. This unit correlates to the Louviers Alluvium in the Denver area.

The bedrock underlying the site consists of the Dawson Formation of Tertiary to Cretaceous Age. The Dawson Formation typically consists of arkosic sandstone with interbedded fine-grained sandstone, siltstone and claystone. Overlying this formation are variable layers of eolian sands, alluvial deposits, and residual soil. The residual soils were derived from the in-situ weathering of the bedrock materials on-site. These soils consisted of silty to clayey sands and sandy clays.

The soils listed above were mapped from site-specific mapping, the *Geologic Map of the Falcon NW Quadrangle* distributed by the Colorado Geological Survey in 2003 (Reference 4), the *Geologic Map of the Colorado Springs-Castle Rock Area*, distributed by the US Geological Survey in 1978 (Reference 5), and the *Geologic Map of the Pueblo 1^o x 2^o Quadrangle*, distributed by the US Geological Survey in 1981 (Reference 6). The Test Borings were also used in evaluating the site and are included in Appendix B. The Geology Map prepared for the site is presented in Figure 6.

5.4 Soil Conditions

The soils encountered in the Test Borings can be grouped into three general soil types. The soils were classified using the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS).

<u>Soil Type 1</u> silty to slightly silty sand and very clayey sand (SM, SM-SW, SC), was encountered in all of Test Borings at depths ranging from the existing ground surface and extending to depths ranging from 8 to 13 feet bgs. These soils were encountered at loose to dense states and at dry to moist conditions. The majority of the soils were encountered and medium dense states. Samples tested had 8 to 42 percent of the soil sized particles passing the No. 200 Sieve. Atterberg Limits Testing resulted in a liquid limit of 29, and a plastic index of 13 for the very clayey sand, and non-plastic results for the silty sand. Swell/Consolidation Testing resulted in a consolidation of 0.5 percent on a same of the very clayey sand. Sulfate testing resulted in less than 0.01 and 0.03 percent sulfate by weight indicating the sand exhibits negligible potential for below grade concrete degradation.



<u>Soil Type 2</u> silty sandstone (SM), encountered in Test Boring No. 2 – 8 at depths of 8 to 13 feet bgs and extended to the termination of the test borings (20 feet). These soils were encountered at very dense states and moist conditions. Samples tested had 18 percent of the soil sized particles passing the No. 200 Sieve. Atterberg Limits Testing resulted in the sandstone being non-plastic. Sulfate testing resulted in 0.02 percent sulfate by weight indicating the silty sandstone exhibits negligible potential for below grade concrete degradation.

<u>Soil Type 3</u> sandy to very sandy claystone (CL), encountered in Test Boring Nos. 1, 2-3, and 7 at depths ranging from 9 to 10 feet bgs and extending to depths ranging from 13 feet bgs to the termination of the Test Boring No. 1 (20 feet). The claystone was encountered at hard consistencies and at moist conditions. Samples tested had 55 to 74 of the soil sized particles passing the No. 200 Sieve. Atterberg Limits Testing resulted in a liquid limit of 38 and a plastic index of 16. Swell/Consolidation Testing resulted in a volume change of 0.3 percent, which indicates a low expansion potential. Highly expansive claystone is common in the area. Sulfate testing resulted in less than 0.01 percent sulfate by weight indicating the claystone exhibits negligible potential for below grade concrete degradation.

The Test Boring Logs are presented in Appendix B. Laboratory Test Results are presented in Appendix C, and a Summary of Laboratory Test Results is presented in Table 1C.

5.5 Groundwater

Groundwater was encountered in three of the test borings at depths of 3.5 to 16 feet, and at the surface of Test Boring No. 7. The majority of the test borings were dry. These areas are discussed in the following section. Fluctuation in groundwater conditions may occur due to variations in rainfall and other factors not readily apparent at this time. It should be noted that in the sandy materials on-site, some groundwater conditions might be encountered due to the variability in the soil profile. Isolated sand and gravel layers within the soils, sometimes only a few feet in thickness and width, can carry water in the subsurface. Groundwater may also flow on top of the underlying bedrock. Builders and planners should be cognizant of the potential for the occurrence of such subsurface water features during construction on-site and deal with each individual problem as necessary at the time of construction.



6 ENGINEERING GEOLOGY – IDENTIFICATION AND MITIGATION OF GEOLOGIC HAZARDS

Detailed mapping has been performed on this site to produce an Engineering Geology Map Figure 7. This map shows the location of various geologic conditions of which the developers should be cognizant during the planning, design and construction stages of the project. These hazards and the recommended mitigation techniques are as follows:

<u>Artificial Fill – Constraint</u>

These are areas of man-made fill associated with earthen berm in the southern portion of the site. <u>Mitigation</u>: The earthen berm is located in the area of the proposed pond and will be removed during site grading. The fill on this site is considered uncontrolled for construction purposes. Any uncontrolled fill encountered beneath foundations will require removal and recompaction at a minimum of 95% of its maximum Modified Procter Dry Density, ASTM D-1557.

Collapsible Soils – Constraint

The majority of the soils encountered on-site do not exhibit collapsible characteristics, however, areas of loose soils were encountered in the test borings drilled on site. Additionally, areas mapped as Qes (eolian sand) have the potential for hydrocompation.

<u>Mitigation:</u> Should loose or collapsible soils be encountered beneath foundations, recompaction and moisture conditioning of the upper 2 feet of soil at 95% of its maximum Modified Proctor Dry Density ASTM D-1557 will be required. Exterior flatwork and parking areas may also experience movement. Proofrolling and recompaction of soft areas should be performed during site work.

Expansive Soils - Constraint

Expansive soils were encountered in the test borings drilled on site. These occurrences are typically sporadic; therefore, none have been indicated on the maps. The clays and claystone, if encountered at foundation grade, can cause differential movement in structures. These occurrences should be identified and dealt with on an individual basis.

<u>Mitigation</u> Should expansive soils be encountered beneath foundations; mitigation will be necessary. Mitigation of expansive soils will require special foundation design. Overexcavation 3 to 5 feet and replacement with non-expansive soils at a minimum of 95% of its maximum Modified Proctor Dry Density, ASTM D-1557 is a suitable mitigation, which is common in the area. Floor slabs on expansive soils should be expected to experience movement. Overexcavation and



replacement has been successful in minimizing slab movements. The use of structural floors should be considered for basement construction on highly expansive clays. Final recommendations should be determined after additional investigation of each building site.

Shallow Bedrock – Constraint

Bedrock was encountered in all the test borings at depths ranging from 8 to 13 feet. A Summary of the Depth to Bedrock is included in Table 1B. Shallow bedrock will be encountered in some areas of this site. Where claystone or sandstone are encountered, excavation/grading may be difficult requiring track-mounted excavators. Bedrock will likely be encountered cuts for utility excavations.

<u>Groundwater and Floodplain Areas – Constraint</u>

The site is not mapped within floodplain zones according to the FEMA Map No. 08041CO535G, Figure 8 (Reference 7). Drainage were not observed on the site, however, two stock ponds are located in the northern portion of the site. The ponds were dry at the time of our April 10, 2023 site observations, but standing water was observed on May 15, 2023. These areas are discussed as follows:

Seasonal Shallow Groundwater Area – Constraint

In these areas, we would anticipate the potential for periodically high subsurface moisture conditions, frost heave potential and highly organic soils. These areas are associated with the two stock ponds in the northern portion of the site. Grading plans were not available at the time of this investigation, however, it is anticipated these areas will likely be filled during site grading. Additionally, groundwater was encountered in three of the test borings ranging from the surface (TB-7 pond area) and at depths of 3.5 to 16 feet. A minimum separation of 3 feet between foundation components and groundwater levels are recommended. Test Boring No. 5 groundwater was encountered at 3.5 feet subsequent to drilling. Entech installed a temporary piezometer at this location and will continue to periodically monitor the groundwater level. Our latest reading was taken on June 20, 2023, and groundwater measured at 7 feet below the existing surface grade. Additionally, ponded water was observed in areas mapped as seasonally wet during our recent site observations.

<u>Mitigation</u>: Foundations must have a minimum 30-inch depth for frost protection. In areas where high subsurface moisture conditions are anticipated periodically, subsurface perimeter drains are recommended to help prevent the intrusion of water into areas below grade. Fill added to these



areas further raise foundations above groundwater levels. Foundations should be kept as high as possible. Areas may experience higher groundwater levels during period of higher precipitation where water can flow through permeable sands on top of less permeable bedrock materials. Subsurface perimeter drains may be necessary to prevent the intrusion of water into areas below grade. Typical drain details are presented in Figure 8. Where shallow groundwater is encountered, underslab drains or interceptor drains may be necessary. Typical drain details are presented in Figures 9 and 10. It is anticipated that the shallow water areas will be mitigated with site grading and the installation of sewer underdrains. Specific recommendations should be made after additional investigation and site grading has been completed.

Radon – Hazard

Radon levels for the area have been reported by the Colorado Geologic Survey in the open file, Report No. 91-4 (Reference 9). Average Radon levels for the 80908-zip code is 3.40 pCi/l. The following is a table of radon levels in this area:

<u>80908</u>	
0 < 4 pCi/l	50.00%
4 < 10 pCi/l	50.00%
10 < 20 pCi/l	0.00%
> 20 pCi/l	0.00%

Mitigation:

The potential for high radon levels is present for the site. Build-up of radon gas can usually be mitigated by providing increased ventilation of basement and crawlspace and sealing joints. Specific requirements for mitigation should be based on site specific testing.

6.1 Relevance of Geologic Conditions to Land Use Planning

As mentioned earlier in this report, we understand that the development will be single-family residential. It is our opinion that the existing geologic and engineering geologic conditions will impose some constraints on the proposed development and construction. The constraints affecting development will be those associated with the potential for expansive soils, hyrdocompactive soils, and the seasonally wet areas on the site that can be satisfactorily mitigated through proper engineering design and construction practices.

The upper materials are typically at loose to dense states. The granular soils encountered in the upper soil profiles of the test borings should provide good support for foundations. Loose soils if



encountered at foundation depth will require mitigation. Foundations anticipated for the site are standard spread footings possibly in conjunction with overexcavation in areas of expansive soils or recompaction in areas of loose soils. Excavation is anticipated to be moderate with rubber-tired equipment for the site sand materials, and will require track mounted equipment for the dense sandstone. Expansive layers may also be encountered in the soil and bedrock on this site. Areas of expansive soils encountered on site are sporadic; therefore, none have been indicated on the maps. Expansive soils, if encountered, will require special foundation design and/or overexcavation. These soils will not prohibit development.

Areas of potentially seasonal high groundwater were observed on site. These areas will likely be mitigated with site grading. Drains may be necessary for structures adjacent to these areas to help prevent the intrusion of water into areas below grade. The proposed structures do not have basements. Typical drain details are presented in Figure 9. The site does not lie within any floodplain zones according to the FEMA Map No. 08041CO535G, dated December 7, 2108 (Figure 8, Reference 8). Exact locations of floodplain and specific drainage studies are beyond the scope of this report.

Grading plans were not available at the time of this investigation, however, it is anticipated these areas will likely be filled during site grading. Additionally, groundwater was encountered in three of the test borings ranging from the surface (TB-7 pond area) and at depths of 3.5 to 16 feet. A minimum separation of 3 feet between foundation components and groundwater levels are recommended. Test Boring No. 5 groundwater was encountered at 3.5 feet subsequent to drilling. Entech installed a temporary piezometer at this location and will continue to periodically monitor the groundwater level. Our latest reading was taken on June 20, 2023, and groundwater measured at 7 feet below the existing surface grade. Additionally, ponded water was observed in areas mapped as seasonally wet during our recent site observations.

Areas of erosion and gullying may require the construction of check dams and revegetation of the site soils after construction. General recommendations for erosion control are discussed under Section 8.0 "Erosion Control".

Potentially unstable slope areas were observed in the western portion of the site along a cut of the former borrow area. Regrading of the slopes will be required in this area. Any fill placed along the slope should be properly benched into the slope. Any retaining walls proposed should be



designed for the global slope stability by a qualified professional engineer. This includes cuts made for terracing in backyards. Proper control of drainage at both the surface and subsurface is important. Saturation of materials should be avoided that may create unstable conditions.

In summary, development of the site can be achieved if the items mentioned above are mitigated. These items can be mitigated through proper design and construction or through avoidance. Investigation on each lot is recommended prior to construction.

7 ECONOMIC MINERAL RESOURCES

Some of the sandy materials on-site could be considered a low-grade sand resource. According to the *El Paso County Aggregate Resource Evaluation Map* (Reference 8), the area is not mapped with any aggregate deposits. According to the *Atlas of Sand, Gravel and Quarry Aggregate Resources, Colorado Front Range Counties* distributed by the Colorado Geological Survey (Reference 9), areas of the site are not mapped with any resources. According to the *Evaluation of Mineral and Mineral Fuel Potential* (Reference 10), the area of the site has been mapped as "Fair" for industrial minerals. However, considering the silty nature of much of these materials and abundance of similar materials through the region and the close proximity to developed land, they would be considered to have little significance as an economic resource.

According to the Evaluation of Mineral and Mineral Fuel Potential of El Paso County State Mineral Lands (Reference 10), the site is mapped within the Denver Basin Coal Region. However, the area of the site has been mapped as "Poor" for coal resources. No active or inactive mines have been mapped in the area of the site. No metallic mineral resources have been mapped on-site (Reference 10).

The site has been mapped as "Fair" for oil and gas resources (Reference 10). No oil or gas fields have been discovered in the area of the site. The sedimentary rocks in the area may lack the geologic structure for trapping oil or gas; therefore, it may not be considered a significant resource. Hydraulic fracturing is a new method that is being used to extract oil and gas from rocks. It utilizes pressurized fluid to extract oil and gas from rocks that would not normally be productive. The area of the site has not been explored to determine if the rocks underlying the site would be commercially viable utilizing hydraulic fracturing. The practice of hydraulic fracturing has come under review due to concerns about environmental impacts, health and safety.



8 EROSION CONTROL

The soil types observed on the site are mildly to highly susceptible to wind erosion, and moderately to highly susceptible to water erosion. A minor wind erosion and dust problem may be created for a short time during and immediately after construction. Should the problem be considered severe enough during this time, watering of the cut areas or the use of chemical palliative may be required to control dust. However, once construction has been completed and vegetation re-established, the potential for wind erosion should be considerably reduced.

With regard to water erosion, loosely compacted soils will be the most susceptible to water erosion, residually weathered soils become increasingly less susceptible to water erosion. For the typical soils observed on-site, allowable velocities or unvegetated and unlined earth channels would be on the order of 3 to 4 feet/second, depending upon the sediment load carried by the water. Permissible velocities may be increased through the use of vegetation to something on the order of 4 to 7 feet/second, depending upon the type of vegetation established. Should the anticipated velocities exceed these values, some form of channel lining material may be required to reduce erosion potential. These might consist of some of the synthetic channel lining materials on the market or conventional riprap. In cases where ditch-lining materials are still insufficient to control erosion, small check dams or sediment traps may be required. The check dams will serve to reduce flow velocities, as well as provide small traps for containing sediment. The determination of the amount, location and placement of ditch linings, check dams and of the special erosion control features should be performed by or in conjunction with the drainage engineer who is more familiar with the flow quantities and velocities.

Cut and fill slope areas will be subjected primarily to sheetwash and rill erosion. Unchecked rill erosion can eventually lead to concentrated flows of water and gully erosion. The best means to combat this type of erosion is, where possible, the adequate re-vegetation of cut and fill slopes. Cut and fill slopes having gradients more than three (3) horizontal to one (1) vertical become increasingly more difficult to revegetate successfully. Therefore, recommendations pertaining to the vegetation of the cut and fill slopes may require input from a qualified landscape architect and/or the Soil Conservation Service.



9 ROADWAY AND EMBANKMENT CONSTRUCTION RECOMMENDATIONS

In general, the site soils are suitable for the proposed roadways and embankments. Groundwater should be expected to be encountered in deeper cuts and along drainages and low-lying areas. If excavations encroach on the groundwater level unstable soil conditions may be encountered. Excavation of saturated soils will be difficult with rubber-tired equipment. Stabilization using shot rock or geogrids may be necessary.

Any areas to receive fill should have all topsoil, organic material or debris removed. Prior to fill placement Entech should observe the subgrade. Fill must be properly benched and compacted to minimize potentially unstable conditions in slope areas. Fill slopes should be 3:1. The subgrade should be scarified and moisture conditioned to within 2% of optimum moisture content and compacted to a minimum of 95% of its maximum Modified Proctor Dry Density, ASTM D-1557, prior to placing new fill. Areas receiving fill may require stabilization with rock or fabric if shallow groundwater conditions are encountered.

New fill should be placed in thin lifts not to exceed 6 inches after compaction while maintaining at least 95% of its maximum Modified Proctor Dry Density, ASTM D-1557. These materials should be placed at a moisture content conducive to compaction, usually 0 to ±2% of Proctor optimum moisture content. The placement and compaction of fill should be observed and tested by Entech during construction. Entech should approve any import materials prior to placing or hauling them to the site. Additional investigation will be required for pavement designs once roadway grading is completed and utilities are installed.



10 CLOSURE

It is our opinion that the existing geologic engineering and geologic conditions will impose some constraints on development and construction of the site. The majority of these conditions can be mitigated through proper engineering design and construction practices. The proposed development and use are consistent with anticipated geologic and engineering geologic conditions.

It should be pointed out that because of the nature of data obtained by random sampling of such variable and non-homogeneous materials as soil and rock, it is important that we be informed of any differences observed between surface and subsurface conditions encountered in construction and those assumed in the body of this report. Individual investigations for building sites will be required prior to construction. Construction and design personnel should be made familiar with the contents of this report. Reporting such discrepancies to Entech Engineering, Inc. soon after they are discovered would be greatly appreciated and could possibly help avoid construction and development problems.

This report has been prepared for Classic SRJ. for application to the proposed project in accordance with generally accepted geologic soil and engineering practices. No other warranty expressed or implied is made.

We trust that this report has provided you with all the information that you required. Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Entech Engineering, Inc.



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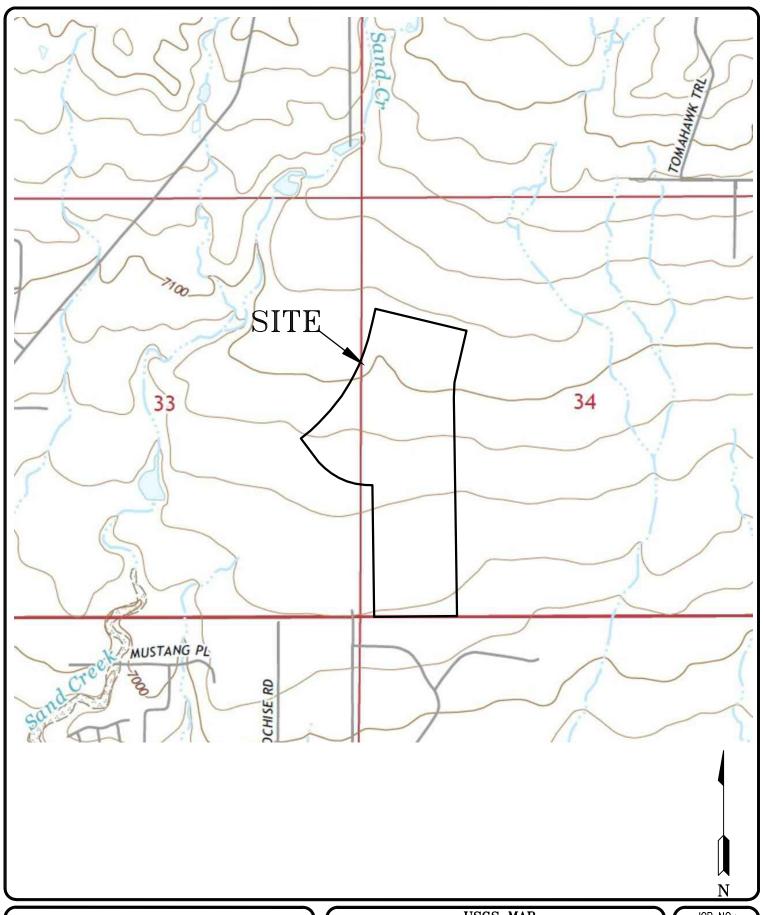
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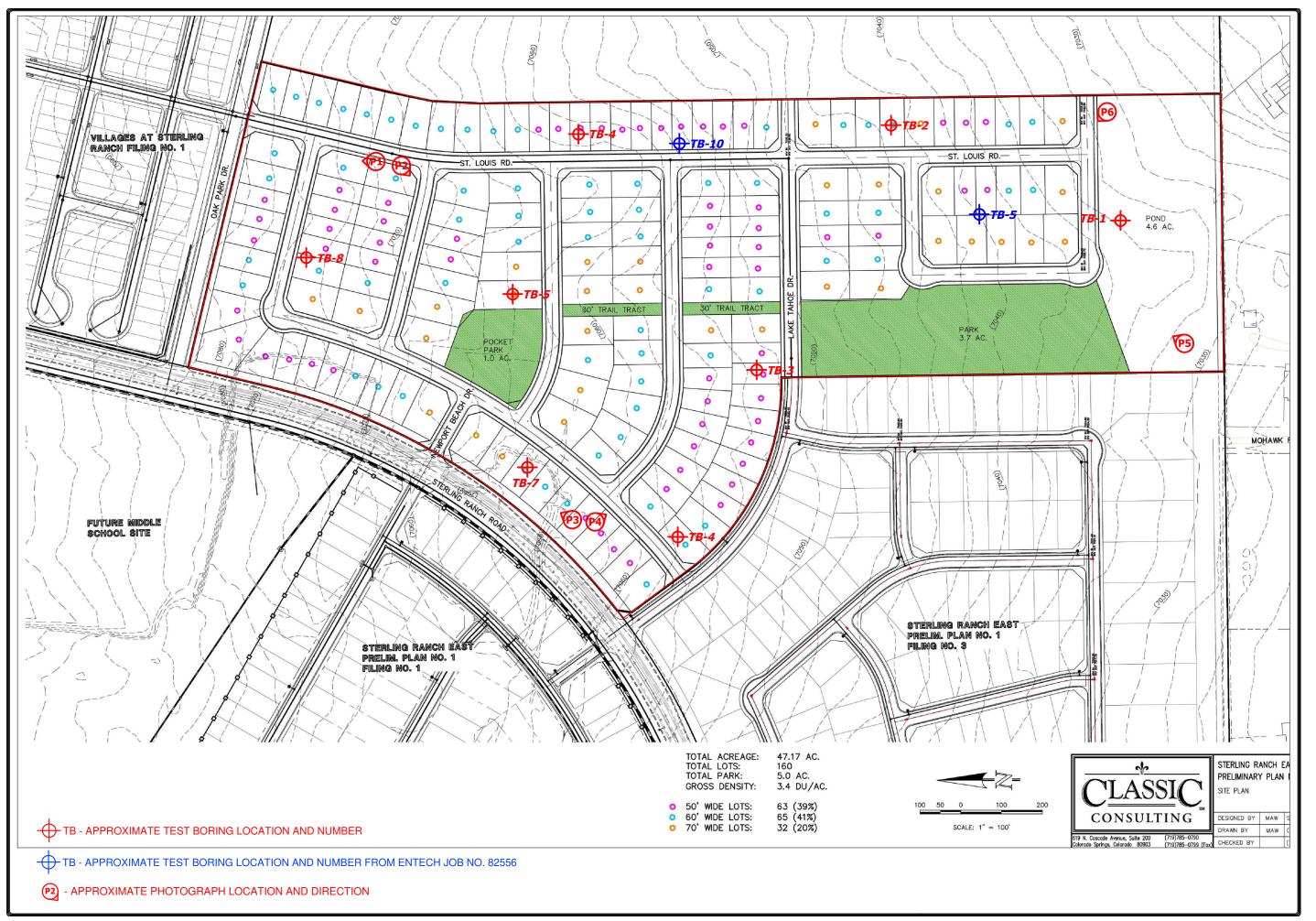
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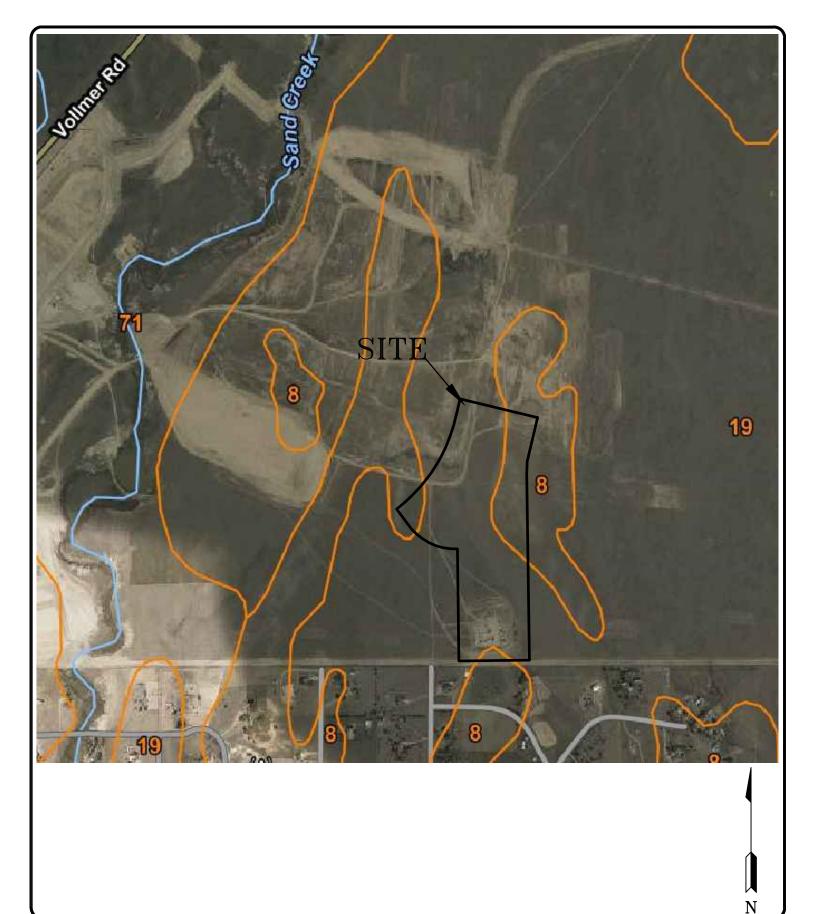
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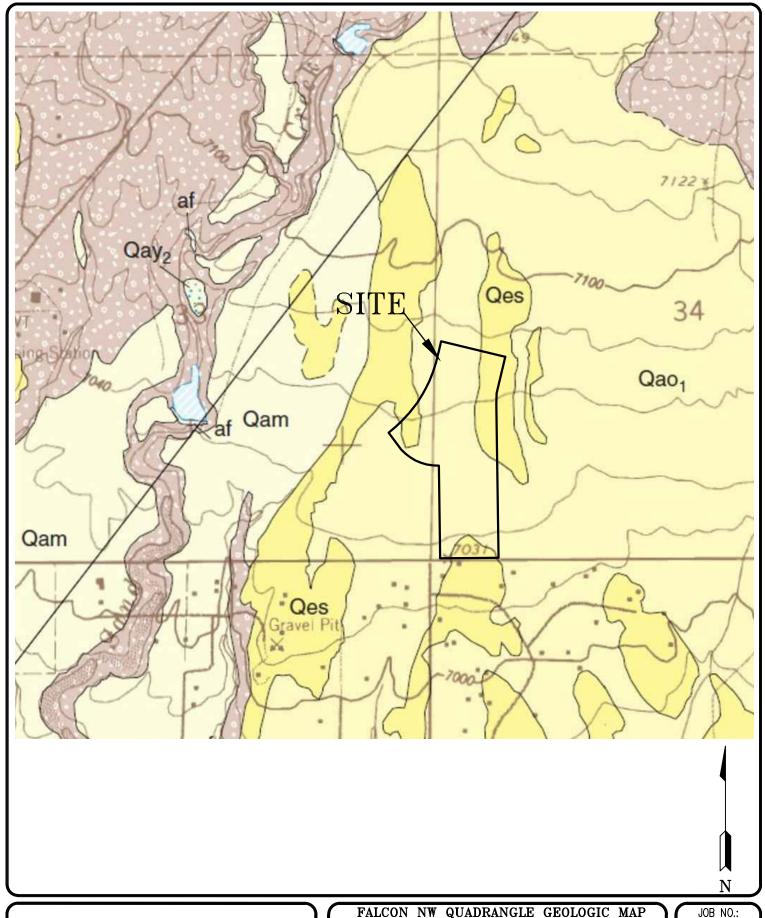


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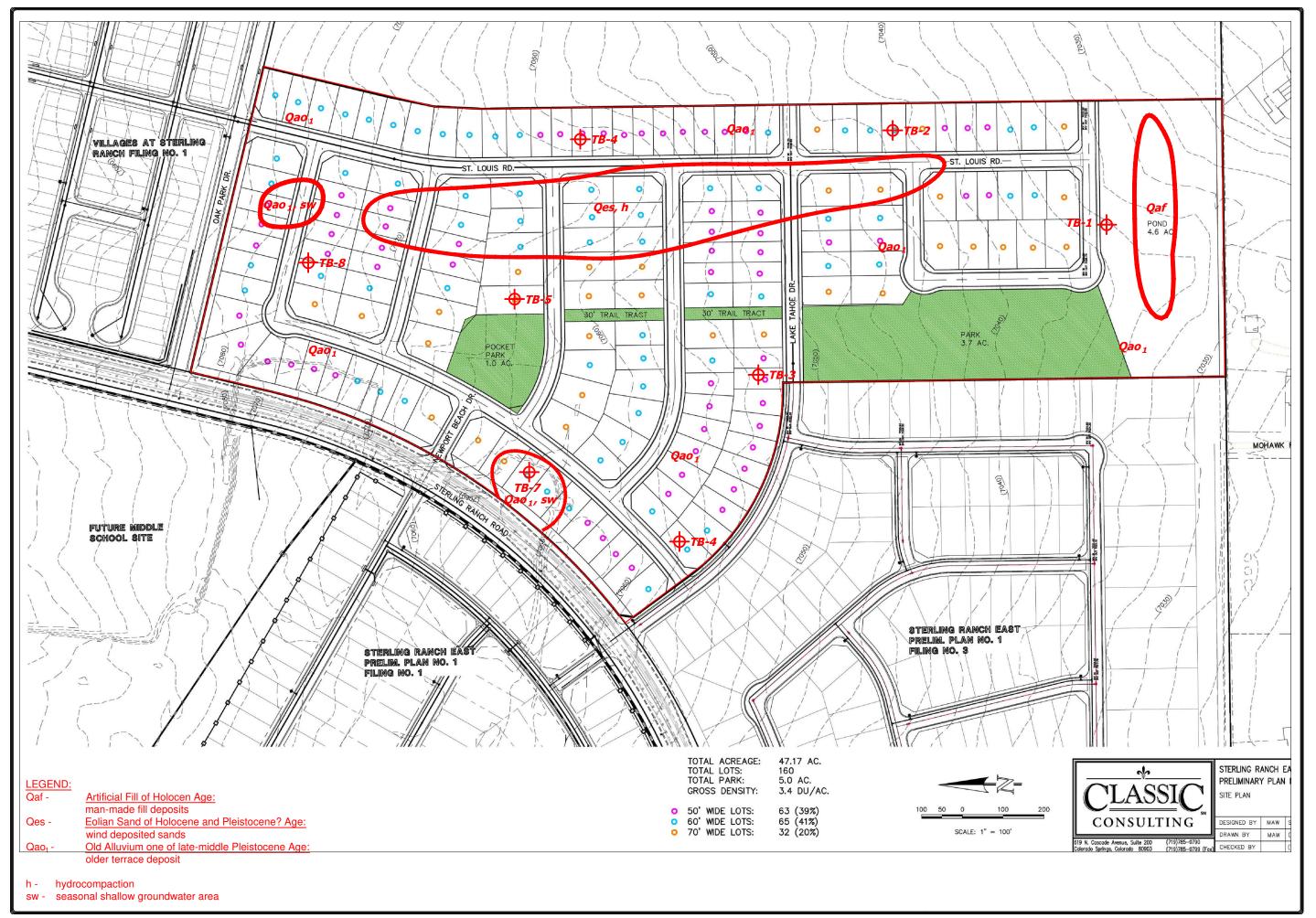


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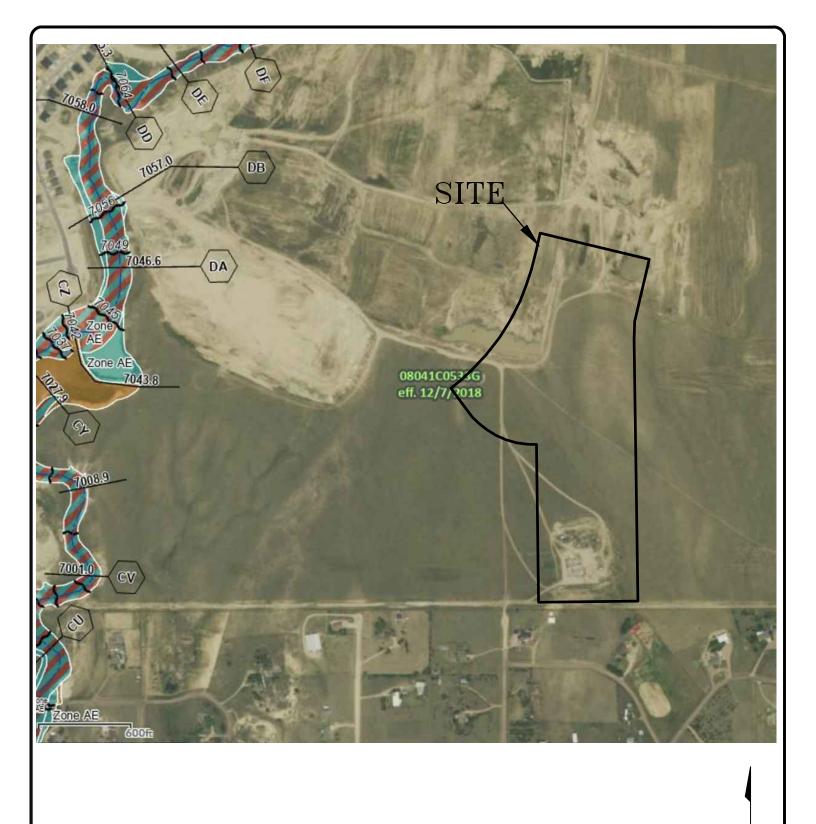
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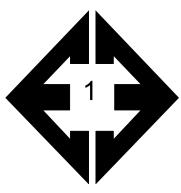
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Looking north from the northeastern portion of the site.

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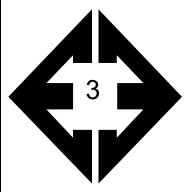


Looking west from the northeastern portion of the site.

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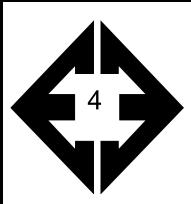




Looking northeast from the northwest side of the site along Sterling Ranch Road.

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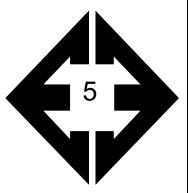


Looking south from the northwestern portion of the site.

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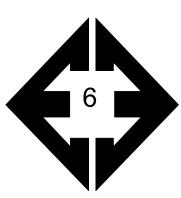




Looking northeast from the southwest portion of the site.

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Looking northwest from the southeastern portion of the site.

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TABLE 1B: Summary of Depth of Bedrock and Groundwater

Test Boring No.	Depth of Bedrock (ft.)	Depth of Groundwater (ft.)						
		4/12/2023	5/15/2023					
1	10	>18	16					
2	9	>19	>18					
3	9	>19	>19					
4	9	>19	>18					
5	8	>19.5	3.5					
6	13	>19	>18					
7	9	>19.5	Submerged					
8	11	>19.5	>19					
	Previous	Job No. 82556						
Test Boring No.	Depth of Bedrock (ft.)	Depth of Groundwater (ft.)						
5	11	8.5 (8/7/2006)						
10	9	9 (8/10/2006)						

TEST BORING NO. 1 DATE DRILLED 4/11/202	3						TEST BORING NO. 2 DATE DRILLED 4/11/2023
REMARKS WATER AT 16', 5/15/23 DRY TO 18', 4/12/23	Depth (ft)	Symbol	Samples	Blows per foot	Watercontent %		REMARKS Depth (ft) Dry TO 18', 5/15/23 DRY TO 19', 4/12/23 DRY TO 19', 4/12/23
SAND, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, TAN, MEDIUM DENSE TO DENSE, MOIST				11	8.1	1	SAND, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, TAN, MEDIUM DENSE, DRY 19 1.5 1
	5_			21	5.1	1	5_ 17 2.6 1
CLAYSTONE, SANDY, GRAY BROWN, HARD, MOIST	10			30	4.1	1	SANDSTONE, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, GRAY BROWN, VERY DENSE, MOIST 50 10.4 2 10"
	15			<u>50</u> 8"	16.5	3	15 <u>50</u> 7.8 2
	20			<u>50</u> 8"	17.5	3	20 <u>50</u> 6.3 2



TEST BORING NO. 3 DATE DRILLED 4/11/2023	TEST BORING NO. 4 DATE DRILLED 4/11/2023											
DRY TO 19', 5/15/23 DRY TO 19', 4/12/23	Depth (ft)	Symbol	Blows per foot	Watercontent %	Soil Type	REMARKS DRY TO 18', 5/15/23 DRY TO 19', 4/12/23	Depth (ft)	Symbol	Samples	Blows per foot	Watercontent %	Soil Type
SAND, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, TAN, MEDIUM DENSE, DRY	-		11	2.8	1	SAND, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, TAN, MEDIUM DENSE TO LOOSE, DRY TO MOIST	- -			10	2.0	1
	5		28	7.1	1		5			8	3.5	1
CLAYSTONE, SANDY, GRAY BROWN, HARD, MOIST	10		<u>50</u> 11"	15.5	3	CLAYSTONE, SANDY, GRAY BROWN, HARD, MOIST	10			50	16.7	3
SANDSTONE, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, GRAY BROWN, VERY DENSE, MOIST	15		50 9"	13.7	2	SANDSTONE, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, GRAY BROWN, VERY DENSE, MOIST	15_			<u>50</u> 8"	12.0	2
	20		<u>50</u> 6"	6.4	2		20_			<u>50</u> 7"	13.2	2



TEST BORING NO. 5 DATE DRILLED 4/11/2023							TEST BORING NO. 6 DATE DRILLED 4/11/2023
REMARKS WATER AT 3.5', 5/15/23 DRY TO 19.5', 4/12/23	Depth (ft)	Symbol	Samples	Blows per foot	Watercontent %		REMARKS DRY TO 18', 5/15/23 DRY TO 19', 4/12/23 REMARKS Remarks
SAND, VERY CLAYEY, FINE GRAINED, GRAY BROWN,	_	/					SAND, SLIGHTLY SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, TAN, MEDIUM
MEDIUM DENSE, MOIST	-	-		21	9.7	1	DENSE, DRY TO MOIST 11 1.2 1
	5	/ / / /	:	23	10.3	1	5 _ 12 1.5 1
SANDSTONE, CLAYEY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, TAN, VERY DENSE, MOIST	10_		<u>.</u>	<u>50</u> 8"	14.6	2	10 _ 28 4.9 1
	15_			<u>50</u> 7"	8.8	2	SANDSTONE, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, GRAY BROWN, VERY DENSE, MOIST
	20			<u>50</u> 7"	9.7	2	20 <u>50</u> 11.3 2



TEST BORING NO. 7 DATE DRILLED 4/11/202					TEST BORING NO. 8 DATE DRILLED 4/11/202					
REMARKS		oot	ent %		REMARKS			oot	ent %	
WATER AT SURFACE, 5/15/23, DRY TO 19.5', 4/12/23	Depth (ft) Symbol	Samples Blows per foot	Watercontent	Soil Type	DRY TO 19', 5/15/23 DRY TO 19.5', 4/12/23	Depth (ft)	Symbol	Samples Blows per foot	Watercontent	Soil Type
SAND, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, TAN, MEDIUM DENSE,	-111				SAND, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, TAN, MEDIUM DENSE	_	111			
DRY];};	21	8.8	1	TO DENSE, MOIST			10	3.6	1
	5	43	10.0	1		5_		23	7.0	1
CLAYSTONE, VERY SANDY, GRAY BROWN, HARD, MOIST	10	50 10'		3		10_		35	11.2	1
SANDSTONE, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, GRAY BROWN, VERY DENSE, MOIST	15	50 9"	11.5	2	SANDSTONE, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, TAN, VERY DENSE, MOIST	15		<u>5(</u> 7'	11.7	2
	20	50 7"	10.3	2		20		<u>50</u> 6'	9.5	2





TABLE 1C SUMMARY OF LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

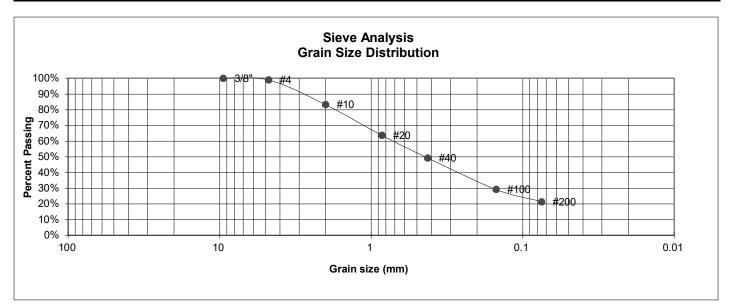
CLIENT CLASSIC SRJ

PROJECT STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5

JOB NO. 230544

SOIL TYPE	TEST BORING NO.	DEPTH (FT)	WATER (%)	DRY DENSITY (PCF)	PASSING NO. 200 SIEVE (%)	LIQUID LIMIT (%)	PLASTIC INDEX (%)	SULFATE (WT %)	SWELL/ CONSOL (%)	UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION	SOIL DESCRIPTION
1	1	2-3			21.3	NV	NP	0.03		SM	SAND, SILTY
1	4	5			13.1					SM	SAND, SILTY
1	5	2-3	5.6	109.4	41.5	29	13	<0.01	-0.5	SC	SAND, VERY CLAYEY
1	6	5			7.6					SM-SW	SAND, SLIGHTLY SILTY
1	8	5			10.4					SM-SW	SAND, SLIGHTLY SILTY
2	2	15			18.1	NV	NP	0.02		SM	SANDSTONE, SILTY
3	3	10			73.6	38	16	<0.01		CL	CLAYSTONE, SANDY
3	7	10	13.3	119.2	54.8				0.3	CL	CLAYSTONE, VERY SANDY

UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION	SM	CLIENT	CLASSIC SRJ
SOIL TYPE #	1	<u>PROJECT</u>	STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5
TEST BORING #	1	JOB NO.	230544
DEPTH (FT)	2-3	TEST BY	BL

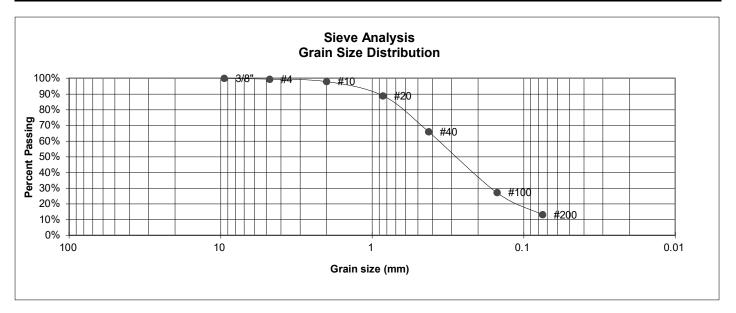


U.S.	Percent
Sieve #	<u>Finer</u>
3"	
1 1/2"	
3/4"	
1/2"	
3/8"	100.0%
4	99.0%
10	83.2%
20	63.6%
40	49.3%
100	29.2%
200	21.3%

Atterberg	
Limits	
Plastic Limit	NP
Liquid Limit	NV
Plastic Index	NP



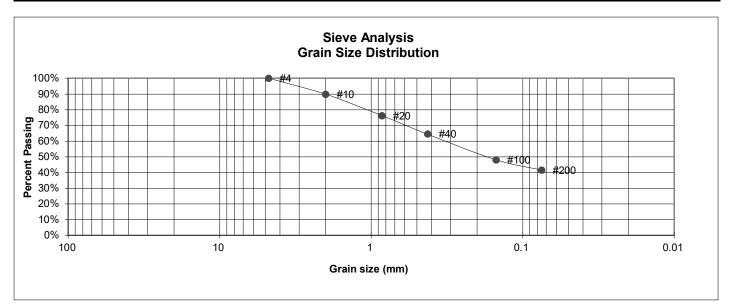
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SOIL TYPE #	1	PROJECT	STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5
TEST BORING #	4	JOB NO.	230544
DEPTH (FT)	5	TEST BY	BL



U.S. <u>Sieve #</u> 3"	Percent <u>Finer</u>
1 1/2"	
3/4"	
1/2"	
3/8"	100.0%
4	99.4%
10	97.9%
20	88.8%
40	65.9%
100	27.1%
200	13.1%



UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION	SC	CLIENT	CLASSIC SRJ
SOIL TYPE #	1	PROJECT	STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5
TEST BORING #	5	JOB NO.	230544
DEPTH (FT)	2-3	TEST BY	BL

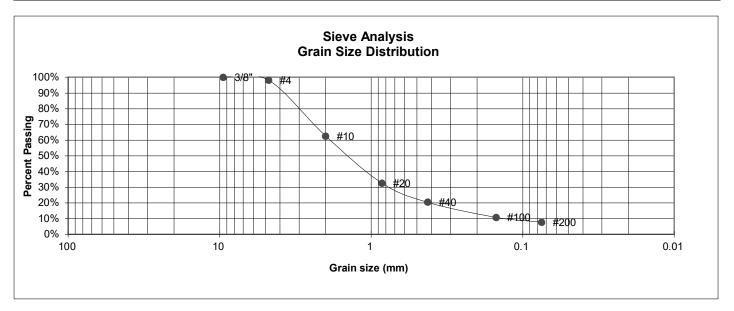


Percent <u>Finer</u>
100.0%
89.8%
76.2%
64.5%
48.0%
41.5%

Atterberg	
Limits	
Plastic Limit	16
Liquid Limit	29
Plastic Index	13



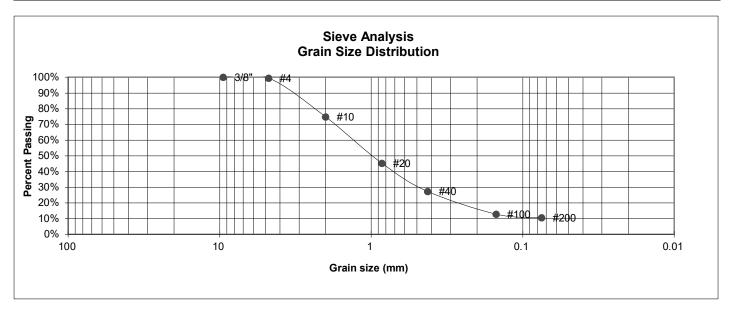
UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION	SM-SW	CLIENT	CLASSIC SRJ
SOIL TYPE #	1	PROJECT	STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5
TEST BORING #	6	JOB NO.	230544
DEPTH (FT)	5	TEST BY	BL



U.S. Sieve#	Percent <u>Finer</u>
3" 1 1/2"	
3/4" 1/2"	
3/8"	100.0%
4	98.1%
10	62.5%
20	32.5%
40	20.4%
100	10.7%
200	7.6%



UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION	SM-SW	CLIENT	CLASSIC SRJ
SOIL TYPE #	1	PROJECT	STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5
TEST BORING #	8	JOB NO.	230544
DEPTH (FT)	5	TEST BY	BL



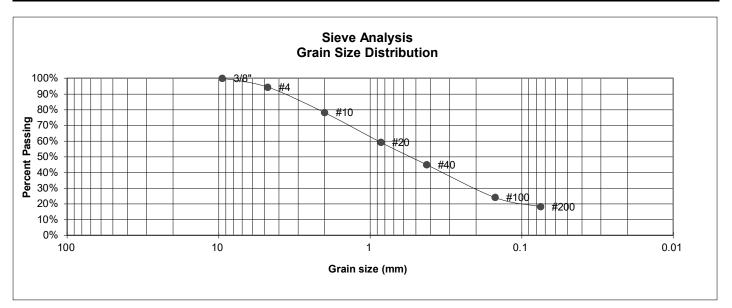
U.S. <u>Sieve #</u> 3"	Percent <u>Finer</u>
1 1/2"	
3/4"	
1/2"	
3/8"	100.0%
4	99.5%
10	74.7%
20	45.1%
40	27.3%
100	12.8%
200	10.4%



LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

JOB NO. 230544 FIG NO. C- 5

UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION	SM	CLIENT	CLASSIC SRJ
SOIL TYPE #	2	<u>PROJECT</u>	STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5
TEST BORING #	2	JOB NO.	230544
DEPTH (FT)	15	TEST BY	BL

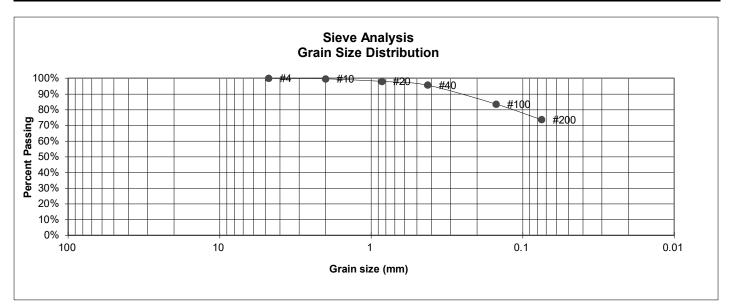


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Atterberg Limits	
Plastic Limit	NP
Liquid Limit	NV
Plastic Index	NP



UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION	CL	CLIENT	CLASSIC SRJ
SOIL TYPE #	3	PROJECT	STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5
TEST BORING #	3	JOB NO.	230544
DEPTH (FT)	10	TEST BY	BL



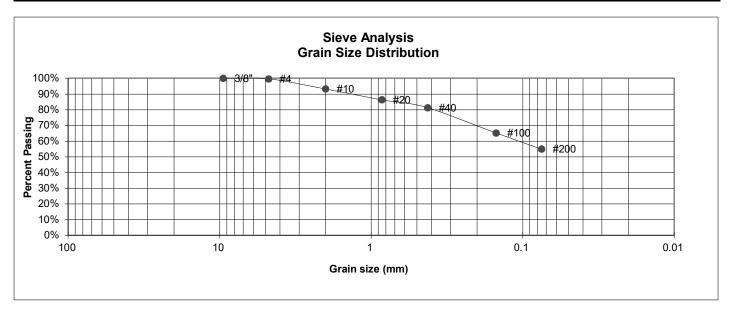
U.S. <u>Sieve #</u> 3" 1 1/2" 3/4" 1/2" 3/8" 4	Percent <u>Finer</u> 100.0%	Atterberg Limits Plastic Limit Liquid Limit Plastic Index
10	99.6%	
20 40 100 200	98.0% 95.6% 83.5% 73.6%	



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UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION	CL	CLIENT	CLASSIC SRJ
SOIL TYPE #	3	PROJECT	STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5
TEST BORING #	7	JOB NO.	230544
DEPTH (FT)	10	TEST BY	BL



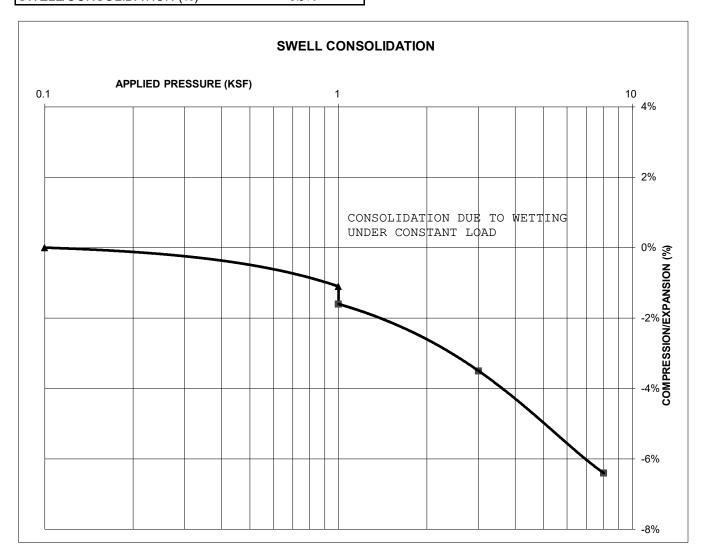
U.S. <u>Sieve #</u> 3"	Percent <u>Finer</u>
1 1/2"	
3/4"	
1/2"	
3/8"	100.0%
4	99.6%
10	93.2%
20	86.3%
40	81.3%
100	65.1%
200	54.8%



CONSOLIDATION TEST RESULTS

TEST BORING #	5	DEPTH(ft)	2-3
DESCRIPTION	SC	SOIL TYPE	1
NATURAL UNIT DRY	WEIGH	IT (PCF)	109
NATURAL MOISTURE	CONT	ENT	5.6%
SWELL/CONSOLIDAT	ION (%	6)	-0.5%

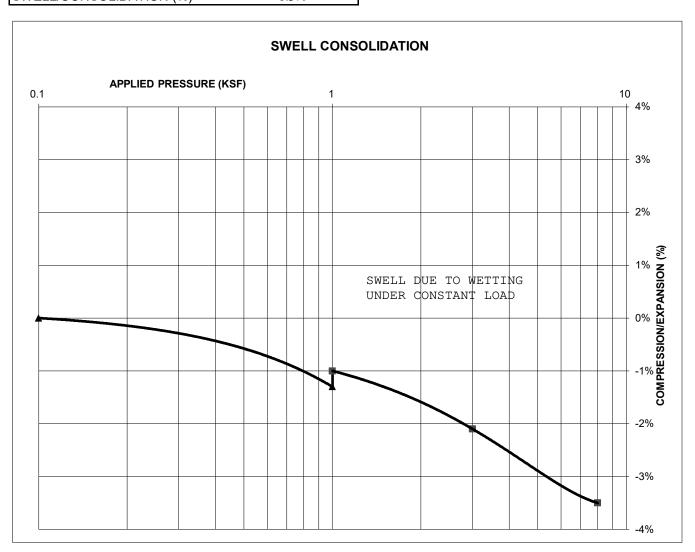
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CLIENT CLASSIC SRJ
PROJECT STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5



CONSOLIDATION TEST RESULTS

TEST BORING # 7 DEPTH(ft) 10
DESCRIPTION CL SOIL TYPE 2
NATURAL UNIT DRY WEIGHT (PCF) 119
NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT 13.3%
SWELL/CONSOLIDATION (%) 0.3%

JOB NO. 230544
CLIENT CLASSIC SRJ
PROJECT STERLING RANCH EAST, F-5



A	.PPENDIX D:	Test Boring	յ Logs from	Entech Jol	o No. 82556	;

TEST BORING NO. **TEST BORING NO.** DATE DRILLED 8/4/2006 DATE DRILLED 8/4/2006 **MORLEY BENTLEY CLIENT** 82556 Job # STERLING RANCH LOCATION REMARKS REMARKS Blows per foot Blows per foot Watercontent Watercontent Soil Type Soil Type Depth (ft) Depth (ft) Samples Samples Symbol DRY TO 20', 8/4/06 Symbol **CAVED TO 19.5',** 8/7/06. DRY WATER @ 8.5', 8/7/06 SAND, GRAVELLY, SILTY, FINE SAND, SILTY, GRAVELLY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, DARK TO COARSE GAINED, DARK 9 1.4 8 3.9 1 BROWN TO TAN, LOOSE TO BROWN TO TAN. LOOSE TO DENSE, DRY TO MOIST MEDIUM DENSE, MOIST TO DRY 9 4.2 1 5 17 1.8 10 30 10 2 6.7 1 CLAY, SILTY, LIGHT GRAY, 15 12.2 STIFF, MOIST SANDSTONE, CLAYEY, FINE TO COARSE GRAINED, LIGHT GRAY, VERY DENSE, MOIST 15 7.9 3 SANDSTONE, SILTY, FINE TO <u>50</u> 15 <u>50</u> 9.4 10" 5" COARSE GRAINED, LIGHT GRAY, VERY DENSE, MOIST 3 <u>50</u> 9.3 <u>50</u> 9.0 3 4" 3"



TEST BORING LOG

DRAWN: DATE: CHECKED: DATE: 9/5/06

JOB NO.:

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FIG NO.: B-3

TEST BORING NO. 10 TEST BORING NO. DATE DRILLED 8/9/2006 8/9/2006 DATE DRILLED Job# 82556 CLIENT MORLEY BENTLEY LOCATION STERLING RANCH REMARKS REMARKS % <u>foot</u> Blows per foot Watercontent Watercontent Blows per Soil Type Soil Type Depth (ft) Samples Samples Symbol Symbol WATER @ 9', 8/10/06 DRY TO 20', 8/10/06 SAND, SLIGHTLY SILTY, FINE SAND, SILTY, FINE TO COARSE TO COARSE GRAINED, LIGHT GRAINED, DARK BROWN TO 13 2.9 1 15 4.0 1 BROWN, MEDIUM DENSE, MOIST BROWN, LOOSE TO DENSE, MOIST 27 8.9 1 5 5 2.9 11.7 3 10 <u>50</u> 17 SANDSTONE, SILTY, FINE 10 3.8 TO COARSE GRAINED, GRAY, VERY DENSE, WET CLAYSTONE, SANDY, GRAY. 13.2 30 10.4 1 HARD, MOIST 15 <u>50</u> 15 3" 3 20 <u>50</u> 8.5 SANDSTONE, SILTY, FINE TO 11" COARSE GRAINED, LIGHT GRAY, VERY DENSE, MOIST



TEST BORING LOG

DATE: DRAWN: DATE: CHECKED: 915/06 MAKI

JOB NO.: 82556

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APPENDIX E: Soil S	Survey Descriptions	

El Paso County Area, Colorado

8—Blakeland loamy sand, 1 to 9 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 369v Elevation: 4,600 to 5,800 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 14 to 16 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 48 degrees F

Frost-free period: 125 to 145 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

Map Unit Composition

Blakeland and similar soils: 98 percent

Minor components: 2 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of

the mapunit.

Description of Blakeland

Setting

Landform: Flats, hills

Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, talf

Down-slope shape: Linear Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Alluvium derived from sedimentary rock and/or

eolian deposits derived from sedimentary rock

Typical profile

A - 0 to 11 inches: loamy sand AC - 11 to 27 inches: loamy sand

C - 27 to 60 inches: sand

Properties and qualities

Slope: 1 to 9 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches Drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained

Runoff class: Low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High to

very high (5.95 to 19.98 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Calcium carbonate, maximum content: 5 percent

Available water supply, 0 to 60 inches: Low (about 4.5 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 3e Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6e

Hydrologic Soil Group: A

Ecological site: R049XB210CO - Sandy Foothill

Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Other soils

Percent of map unit: 1 percent Hydric soil rating: No

Pleasant

Percent of map unit: 1 percent Landform: Depressions Hydric soil rating: Yes

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: El Paso County Area, Colorado Survey Area Data: Version 20, Sep 2, 2022

El Paso County Area, Colorado

19—Columbine gravelly sandy loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 367p Elevation: 6,500 to 7,300 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 14 to 16 inches Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 50 degrees F

Frost-free period: 125 to 145 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

Map Unit Composition

Columbine and similar soils: 97 percent

Minor components: 3 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of

the mapunit.

Description of Columbine

Setting

Landform: Fans, fan terraces, flood plains

Down-slope shape: Linear Across-slope shape: Linear Parent material: Alluvium

Typical profile

A - 0 to 14 inches: gravelly sandy loam
C - 14 to 60 inches: very gravelly loamy sand

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Drainage class: Well drained Runoff class: Very low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High to

very high (5.95 to 19.98 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None Frequency of ponding: None

Available water supply, 0 to 60 inches: Very low (about 2.5 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 4e Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6e

Hydrologic Soil Group: A

Ecological site: R049XY214CO - Gravelly Foothill

Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Fluvaquentic haplaquolls

Percent of map unit: 1 percent



Landform: Swales Hydric soil rating: Yes

Other soils

Percent of map unit: 1 percent Hydric soil rating: No

Pleasant

Percent of map unit: 1 percent Landform: Depressions Hydric soil rating: Yes

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: El Paso County Area, Colorado Survey Area Data: Version 20, Sep 2, 2022