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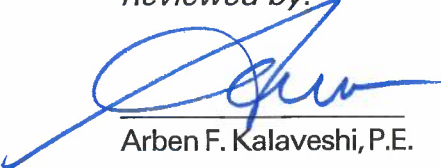
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SUMMARY

1. A layer of topsoil was encountered in eight of the nine borings, and a surficial layer of aggregate base course was encountered in one boring. The generalized subsurface profile encountered in the borings consisted of a predominantly granular overburden soils, with occasional 1 to 5-foot thick lenses of clay. The native overburden soils extended to the maximum 20 to 25-foot depths explored in Borings 1 thru 8. Man-placed fill was encountered in five of the borings extending to depths between approximately 2.5 to 6 feet. In Boring 9, fill was encountered to the 5-foot depth explored.
2. Groundwater was not encountered at the time of drilling or when the borings were checked 10 days later. Fluctuations in the water level may occur with time, particularly during wetter seasons and after precipitation events.
3. Considering the data obtained from the field and laboratory studies and the nature of the proposed construction, it is our opinion that a shallow foundation system (PT-slabs or spread footings with slab-on-grade floors) would perform adequately if the recommendations provided in this report are followed. The use of a post-tensioned slab foundation will result in the reduced risk of associated distress from foundation movement as compared to a conventional spread footing foundation system, given the foundation system's ability to be rigid and withstand differential movements.
4. Overexcavation and replacement of the existing fill will be required where present below proposed foundation and slab-on-grade floor bearing elevations unless documentation is available for our review stating that it was placed in accordance with the criteria recommended in this report. Additionally, overexcavation and replacement of the expansive clay soils will be required where encountered within 3 feet of foundation and floor bearing elevations. It is expected that once grading and excavations begin, we are present on site to observe test pits and assist the contractor in determining the limits of overexcavation that will be required.
5. The on-site granular soils will be suitable for reuse as nonexpansive fill, including structural fill beneath foundations, floor slabs, and pavements. The existing fill encountered is also suitable for reuse, minus any deleterious materials. Clay soils should be considered unsuitable for use as structural fill. Overlot grading criteria and recommended compaction specifications are included in the report.
6. For areas restricted to automobile traffic, we recommend a minimum full-depth asphalt section of 5.5 inches. For areas with heavier traffic including automobile, single-unit moving trucks, and occasional fire trucks with HS-20 loading, we recommend a minimum 6.5 inches of full depth asphalt. Alternate pavement sections consisting of a composite asphalt/base course and concrete are presented in the report. Trash pickup or loading dock areas or other areas where truck turning movements are concentrated should be paved with a minimum 6.5 inches of portland cement concrete over 4 inches of aggregate base course.

PURPOSE OF STUDY

This report presents the results of a geotechnical engineering study for the proposed self-storage development in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The study was performed in accordance with our Proposal No. C21-356, dated September 22, 2021, for the purpose of developing recommendations for site grading, foundations and pavements. The project site is shown on the attached Fig. 1.

This report has been prepared to summarize the data obtained during this study and to present our conclusions and recommendations based on the proposed construction and the subsurface conditions encountered. Design parameters and a discussion of geotechnical engineering considerations related to the proposed construction are included in the report.

PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION

We understand the proposed construction will include a single-story building that will have nominal plan dimensions of approximately 545'x185'. No basement or below grade space is anticipated. A paved parking lot will be constructed near the southwest building corner, and an access driveway loop around the perimeter of the building. Site grading is anticipated to consist of cuts and fills on the order of about 5 feet or less to create a level building pad. If the proposed construction varies significantly from that described above or depicted herein, we should be notified to reevaluate the recommendations provided herein.

SITE CONDITIONS

The subject site is located at the southeast corner of Constitution Avenue and Peterson Road in an unincorporated portion of eastern Colorado Springs, Colorado. The property is bound by Constitution Avenue to the north, Peterson Road to the west, Canada Drive to the east, a commercial/recreational venue to the south, followed by medium density residential housing. A relatively small single-story utility building is located in the east-central portion of the lot. The site is enclosed by a chain-link fence with the main entrance off of Canada Drive and a secondary entrance off of Peterson Road. The local topography generally slopes down to the south and east. The west third of the lot is benched above the rest of the site, with two ramps leading west up the bench on the north side and middle of the site. The western third of the lot is raised approximately 6 to 9 feet above the east side of the site as a result of the bench, and sits at grade with Peterson Road and Constitution Avenue. The eastern two thirds of the lot is situated below the grade of Constitution Avenue, ranging from 1 foot below Constitution Avenue on the east end to 9 feet below

Constitution Avenue at the location of the bench. Small to medium sized deciduous trees are located along the east and south sides of the property and sporadically on the western third of the site, in addition to grasses and weeds throughout the remainder of the property.

FIELD EXPLORATION

The field exploration of subsurface conditions consisted of drilling nine borings on January 14, 2022. The boring locations were approximated using a handheld GPS unit, and are shown on Fig. 1. The boring logs are presented on Fig. 2, and corresponding legend and notes are presented on Fig. 3.

The borings were drilled with 4-inch diameter continuous flight augers and were logged by a representative of Kumar & Associates, Inc. Samples of the soils were taken with a 2-inch I.D. California sampler. The sampler was driven into the various strata with blows from a 140-pound hammer falling 30 inches. Penetration resistance values, when properly evaluated, provide an indication of the relative density or consistency of the soils. Depths at which the samples were taken and the penetration resistance values are shown on the boring logs.

LABORATORY TESTING

Samples obtained from the exploratory borings were visually classified in the laboratory by the project engineer and samples were selected for laboratory testing. Laboratory testing included index property tests such as in-situ moisture content and dry unit weight, grain size analysis, and Atterberg limits. Additional testing included in-situ swell-consolidation and concentration of water soluble sulfates. The testing was conducted in general accordance with recognized test procedures, primarily those of the American Society for Testing of Materials (ASTM). Results of the laboratory testing program are shown on Figs. 4 thru 9, and are summarized on Table I.

SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

A layer of topsoil was encountered in eight of the nine borings, and a surficial layer of aggregate base course was encountered in one boring. The generalized subsurface profile encountered in the borings consisted of a predominantly granular overburden soils, with occasional 1 to 5-foot thick lenses of clay. Man-placed fill was encountered in five of the borings extending to depths between approximately 2.5 to 6 feet. The following subsurface descriptions are of a generalized nature to

highlight the soil types encountered in the borings drilled for this study. The boring logs should be reviewed for more detailed information.

Existing Fill: Man-placed fill was encountered in Borings 3, 5, 7 and 8, ranging to depths between approximately 2.5 to 6 feet. In Boring 9, the fill was encountered to the maximum 5-foot depth explored. The fill consisted of a mixture of silty sand (SM) and clayey sand (SC), and appeared to consist of reworked on-site soils. Due to the similarity of the natural soil and fill materials, it was not always possible to clearly differentiate between fill and native soils. Fill materials, where identified, included a mottled appearance of texture and color, which is indicative of disturbed ground. The fill was dry to slightly moist, and varied from tan, brown, dark brown and gray in color. Our study did not determine the exact lateral or vertical extent of the fill. Swell-consolidation test results presented on Fig. 5 indicate the tested sample of clayey sand fill had a low swell potential when wetted under a 1,000 psf surcharge.

Native Granular Soils: The native granular soils encountered were grouped as follows: silty sand (SM) with occasional layers of poorly to well-graded sand with silt (SP-SM, SW-SM), and clayey sand (SC) to silty-clayey sand (SC-SM). These soils were encountered in Borings 1 thru 8, beginning at depths ranging from near surface (below topsoil layer) to 6 feet, and extending to the maximum 20 to 25-foot depths explored. The native granular soils were slightly moist to very moist, and tan to brown in color. Sampler penetration blow counts indicate the granular soils are generally medium dense to very dense.

Native Clay Soils: Native sandy lean clay (CL) with occasional layers of clayey sand (SC) was encountered in five of the nine borings. The clay occurred in deposits that varied between 1 and 5 feet thick. These soils were encountered beginning at depths ranging from near surface (below topsoil layer) in Borings 1 and 2, and at depths between 4 and 17 feet in Borings 4, 5 and 6. The native clay soils were slightly moist to moist, and tan to brown in color. Sampler penetration blow counts indicate the clay soils are stiff to hard in consistency. Swell-consolidation test results presented on Fig. 4 indicate the tested samples of clay varied from having a low swell potential to a low potential for compression, when wetted under a 1,000 psf surcharge.

Groundwater: Groundwater was not encountered at the time of drilling or when the borings were checked 10 days later. Fluctuations in the water level may occur with time, particularly during

wetter seasons and after precipitation events. The borings were backfilled with auger cuttings upon completion of water level measurements.

GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING CONSIDERATIONS

Considering the data obtained from the field and laboratory studies and the nature of the proposed construction, it is our opinion that a shallow foundation system (PT-slabs or spread footings with slab-on-grade floors) would perform adequately if the recommendations provided in this report are followed.

Overexcavation and replacement of the existing fill will be required where present below proposed foundation and slab-on-grade floor bearing elevations unless documentation is available for our review stating that it was placed in accordance with the criteria recommended in this report. Additionally, overexcavation and replacement of the expansive clay soils will be required where encountered within 3 feet of foundation and floor bearing elevations. The existing fill was encountered in four of the eight borings drilled within the proposed building footprint to depths ranging between 2.5 and 6 feet, and clay soils were encountered near the anticipated bearing elevations in Borings 1, 2 and 6. It is expected that once grading and excavations begin, we are present on site to observe test pits and assist the contractor in determining the limits of overexcavation that will be required.

Assuming foundations and slabs are properly constructed as described in this report, and provided good surface drainage and irrigation practices are designed, constructed and maintained, we estimate a low risk of settlement or heave related movements beyond about 1 inch in magnitude. The use of a post-tensioned slab foundation will result in the reduced risk of associated distress from foundation movement as compared to a conventional spread footing foundation system given the foundation system's ability to be rigid and withstand differential movements.

The on-site granular soils will be suitable for reuse as nonexpansive fill, including structural fill beneath foundations, floor slabs, and pavements. The existing fill encountered is also suitable for reuse, minus any deleterious materials. The "Site Grading and Earthwork" section of the report provides additional discussion.

FOUNDATION RECOMMENDATIONS

PT-Slab Foundations: We assume the PT-slab foundation will be designed in accordance with the Post-Tensioning Institute's (PTI) publication "Design of Post-Tensioned Slabs-On-Ground (Third Edition, 2004)" with the 2008 supplement. The design method is empirical and was developed in other parts of the country based on assumptions relating clay mineralogy and climate to the soil swell characteristics. Using the PTI design procedure, the PT-slab foundations are designed for differential uplift and settlement of the slab edges, relative to the slab center, caused by seasonal swelling and shrinking cycles of the clay soils supporting the slab.

The PTI design method does not take into account the swell characteristics of highly overconsolidated clay materials, including soils found along the Colorado front range, which are prone to swell but are rarely observed to shrink. Nor does the method use direct measurement of the material swell characteristics, as is routinely done for foundation design in the Colorado front range area. However, our experience indicates that PT-slabs designed using the PTI design methods perform well when the slabs are supported on a layer of fill consisting of on-site or imported moisture-conditioned materials. Because the thickness of the moisture-conditioned fill generally does not extend to the anticipated depth of potential wetting and uplift, the remaining untreated expansive materials have the potential to cause uplift. However, the contribution of the remaining deeper expansive materials to differential uplift is considered to be significantly less than the shallower materials.

The design and construction criteria presented below should be observed for a PT-slab foundation. The construction details should be considered when preparing project documents.

1. We recommend that PT-slab foundations be supported on the native granular soils, or properly compacted nonexpansive fill. Existing fill, where encountered below the building pad should be removed in its entirety and replaced with suitable structural fill, and clay encountered within 3 feet of the base of the foundation should be also be overexcavated in accordance with the criteria presented in the "Site Grading and Earthwork" section of the report. The base of the foundation should be defined as the bottom of the lowest element of the PT-slab (the bottom of the foundation ribs would be considered the lowest point). New structural fill should extend down from the edges of the building pad at a 1 horizontal to 1 vertical projection.

2. Any areas of loose or soft material encountered within the foundation excavation should be removed and replaced with structural fill meeting the material and placement requirements outlined in the “Site Grading and Earthwork” section of this report.
3. PT-slab foundations bearing on compacted suitable fill material placed as recommended herein should be designed for a maximum allowable bearing pressure of 2,500 psf.
4. Based on the method in PTI’s Third Edition, the PT-slabs should be designed using the following criteria:

Criteria	Center Lift	Edge Lift
Moisture variation (e_m) (ft.)	5.3	2.6
Differential swell (y_m) (in.)	0.23	0.52

5. The parameters used to calculate these values include a soil suction (pF) of 3.9 and a Mineral Classification of Zone III. These parameters were selected from the PTI design manual based on soil index parameters; they are not actual measurements or estimates of soil suction and soil moisture distributions across the site.
6. PT-slab beam elements around the slab perimeters and beneath unheated areas should be provided with adequate soil cover above their bearing elevation for frost protection. A cover of at least 30 inches is typically used in this area.
7. Once the building pad area has been prepared as described above, it should be protected from excessive wetting or drying until after the foundation has been completed.
8. Proper construction is essential for the adequate performance of a PT-slab foundation. We recommend a contractor experienced in PT-slab construction in this area be retained.
9. All plumbing lines should be tested before operation. Where plumbing lines or other slab protrusions enter through the floor, a positive bond break should be provided. Flexible connections should be provided for slab-bearing mechanical equipment.

10. A representative of the geotechnical engineer should confirm proper subgrade preparations have been met prior to placing foundation formwork. Loose or disturbed material should be removed from the slab subgrade prior to placement of concrete. Placement of structural fill should be observed and tested by a representative of the geotechnical engineer. In addition, representatives of the geotechnical and/or structural engineer should check reinforcement placement immediately prior to concrete placement.

Spread Footings: The design and construction criteria presented below should be observed for a spread footing foundation system. The construction details should be considered when preparing project documents.

1. We recommend that spread footing foundations be supported on the native granular soils or properly compacted nonexpansive fill. Existing fill, where encountered below foundations should be removed in its entirety and replaced with suitable structural fill, and clay encountered within 3 feet of the base of the foundation should be also be overexcavated in accordance with the criteria presented in the "Site Grading and Earthwork" section of the report. New structural fill should extend down from the edges of the foundations at a 1 horizontal to 1 vertical projection.
2. Any areas of loose or soft material encountered within the foundation excavation should be removed and replaced with structural fill meeting the material and placement requirements outlined in the "Site Grading and Earthwork" section of this report.
3. Footings supported on the native granular materials or properly compacted structural fill as recommended herein should be designed for an allowable soil bearing pressure of 2,500 psf.
4. Spread footings should have a minimum footing width of 16 inches for continuous footings and of 24 inches for isolated pads.
5. Exterior footings and footings beneath unheated areas should be provided with adequate soil cover above their bearing elevation for frost protection. Placement of foundations at least 30 inches below the exterior grade is typically used in this area.

6. Criteria for the lateral resistance of a spread footing placed on native granular materials or properly compacted structural fill is presented in the “Foundation Walls & Retaining Structures” section of this report.
7. Continuous foundation walls should be reinforced top and bottom to span an unsupported length of at least 10 feet.
8. Granular foundation soils should be densified with a smooth vibratory compactor prior to placement of formwork and reinforcing steel.
9. A representative of the geotechnical engineer should confirm proper subgrade preparations have been met prior to placing foundation formwork. Loose or disturbed material should be removed from the foundation subgrade prior to placement of concrete. Placement of structural fill should be observed and tested by a representative of the geotechnical engineer. In addition, representatives of the geotechnical and/or structural engineer should check reinforcement placement immediately prior to concrete placement.

SITE SEISMIC CRITERIA

Using estimated shear wave velocities for the subgrade materials encountered based on standard penetration testing, calculations indicate a design Site Class D per the International Building Code (IBC). Based on the subsurface profile and the anticipated ground conditions, liquefaction is not a design consideration.

FLOOR SLABS (WITH SPREAD FOOTING FOUNDATIONS)

This section is intended for structures that will utilize a spread-footing foundation, with an isolated interior slab-on-grade floor.

The native granular soils or reconditioned fill are suitable to support light to moderately loaded slab-on-grade construction. Where shallow expansive clay is present near the proposed floor slab elevation, floor slabs will present a difficult problem because sufficient dead load cannot be imposed on them to resist the uplift pressure generated when the materials are wetted and expand. The most positive method to avoid damage as a result of floor slab movement is to construct a structural floor above a well-ventilated crawl space. Based on the moisture-volume change characteristics of the

materials encountered, we believe slab-on-ground construction may be used in conjunction with spread footing foundations, provided overexcavation of a portion of the clay is completed as recommended, and provided the resulting risk of distress resulting from slab movement is accepted by the owner. The "Geotechnical Considerations" section discusses the anticipated movement potential.

The following measures should be taken to reduce the damage which could result from movement should the underslab materials be subjected to moisture changes.

1. We recommend that slab-on-grade floors be supported on the native granular soils, or properly compacted nonexpansive fill. Existing fill, where encountered below floor slabs should be removed in its entirety and replaced with suitable structural fill, and clay encountered within 3 feet of the slab bearing elevation should be also be overexcavated in accordance with the criteria presented in the "Site Grading and Earthwork" section of the report.
2. Any areas of loose or soft material encountered at the base of excavation should be removed and replaced with structural fill meeting the material and placement requirements outlined in the "Site Grading and Earthwork" section of this report.
3. Floor slabs should be separated from all bearing walls and columns with expansion joints which allow unrestrained vertical movement.
4. Interior non-bearing partitions resting on floor slabs should be provided with slip joints at the bottoms so that, if the slabs move, the movement cannot be transmitted to the upper structure. This detail is also important for wallboards, stairways and door frames. Slip joints which will allow at least 2 inches of vertical movement are recommended.
5. Floor slabs should not extend beneath exterior doors or over foundation grade beams, unless saw cut at the beam after construction.
6. Floor slab control joints should be used to reduce damage due to shrinkage cracking. The appropriate joint spacing is dependent on slab thickness, concrete aggregate size and slump,

and should be consistent with recognized guidelines such as those of the Portland Cement Association (PCA) or American Concrete Institute (ACI). The joint spacing and any requirements for slab reinforcement should be established by the designer based on experience and the intended slab use.

7. If moisture-sensitive floor coverings will be used, mitigation of moisture penetration into the slabs, such as by use of a vapor barrier, may be required. If an impervious vapor barrier membrane is used, special precautions will be required to reduce potential differential curing problems which could cause the slabs to warp. Section 302.1R of the ACI Manual of Concrete Practice addresses this topic.
8. All plumbing lines should be tested before operation. Where plumbing lines or other slab protrusions enter through the floor, a positive bond break should be provided. Flexible connections should be provided for slab-bearing mechanical equipment.

The precautions and recommendations itemized above will not prevent the movement of floor slabs if the underlying expansive materials are subjected to alternate wetting and drying cycles. However, the precautions should reduce the damage if such movement occurs.

FOUNDATION WALLS AND RETAINING STRUCTURES

Foundation walls and retaining structures which are laterally supported and can be expected to undergo only a moderate amount of deflection should be designed for a lateral earth pressure computed on the basis of an equivalent fluid unit weight of 55 pcf for backfill consisting of the on-site granular soils, or 50 pcf if a imported CDOT Class I structural backfill is used. Cantilevered retaining structures which can be expected to deflect sufficiently to mobilize the full active earth pressure condition should be designed for a lateral earth pressure computed on the basis of an equivalent fluid unit weight of 45 pcf for backfill consisting of the on-site granular soils, or 40 pcf for CDOT Class I structural backfill.

All foundation and retaining structures should be designed for appropriate hydrostatic and surcharge pressures such as adjacent buildings, traffic, construction materials and equipment. The pressures recommended above assume drained conditions behind the walls and a horizontal

backfill surface. The buildup of water behind a wall or an upward sloping backfill surface will increase the lateral pressure imposed on a foundation wall or retaining structure.

The lateral resistance of a foundation or retaining wall footing placed on undisturbed native granular soils or properly compacted structural fill material will be a combination of the sliding resistance of the foundation on the foundation materials and passive earth pressure against the side of the footing. Resistance to sliding at the bottoms of the footings may be calculated based on an allowable coefficient of friction of 0.3. Passive pressure against the sides of the footings may be calculated using an allowable equivalent fluid unit weight of 180 pcf.

The onsite soils, minus any clay, are suitable for use as wall backfill. Imported granular wall backfill, if used, should meet the requirements of a CDOT Class I structural backfill with less than 20% passing the No. 200 sieve. Proposed material should be approved by the geotechnical engineer prior to use.

The granular backfill behind foundation and retaining walls should be sloped from the base of the wall at an angle of at least 45 degrees from the vertical. Backfill should be placed in uniform lifts and compacted to the criteria presented in the "Site Grading and Earthwork" section of the report. Care should be taken not to overcompact the backfill since this could cause excessive lateral pressure on the walls. Some settlement of deep foundation wall backfills will occur even if the material is placed properly.

WATER SOLUBLE SULFATES

The concentration of water soluble sulfates measured in a sample of the on-site soils obtained from the borings was less than 0.01%. This concentration of water soluble sulfates represents a Class 0 severity exposure to sulfate attack on concrete exposed to these materials. The degree of attack is based on a range of Class 0, Class 1, Class 2, and Class 3 severity exposure as presented in ACI 201. Based on the laboratory data and our experience, we believe special sulfate resistant cement will not be required for concrete exposed to the on-site soils. Concrete containing Type I or I/II cement is commonly used in the area, and is recommended for this project due to its availability.

UNDERDRAIN SYSTEM

Based on our understanding that there will be no basement or below grade space, it is our opinion an underdrain system will not be necessary for the building. If the proposed construction differs from our assumptions, we should be consulted to reevaluate the recommendations for an underdrain in these areas.

SURFACE DRAINAGE

Proper surface drainage is very important for acceptable performance of the building during construction and after the construction has been completed. Drainage recommendations provided by local, state and national entities should be followed based on the intended use. The following recommendations should be used as guidelines and changes should be made only after consultation with the geotechnical engineer.

1. Excessive wetting or drying of foundation and slab subgrades should be avoided during construction.
2. The ground surface surrounding the exterior of the building and other structures should be sloped to drain away from the foundations in all directions. We recommend a minimum slope of 6 inches in the first 10 feet in unpaved areas. Site drainage beyond the 10-foot zone should be designed to promote runoff and reduce water infiltration. A minimum slope of 3 inches in the first 10 feet is recommended in the paved areas. These slopes may be changed as required for handicap access points in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.
3. Ponding of water should not be allowed in backfill material or in a zone within 10 feet of foundations or foundation walls, whichever is greater.
4. Roof downspouts and drains should discharge well beyond the limits of all backfill.
5. Excessive landscape irrigation should be avoided within 10 feet of the foundation walls.
6. If the nearby ground surface slopes towards a building, we recommend a swale be constructed to intercept and redirect surface runoff around and away from the building. The

swale should be located a minimum of 10 feet from the foundation, and should be graded at a minimum 2% slope.

PAVEMENT DESIGN

Subgrade Materials: Based on the results of the field exploration and laboratory testing programs, the pavement subgrade materials encountered at the site classify as A-2-4, A-2-6, A-4, A-6 and A-7-6 with group indices ranging from 0 to 10 in accordance with the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) soil classification system. An R-value of 10 and a resilient modulus value of 3,562 psi were assumed for design of flexible pavements, and a subgrade modulus of 100 pci was assumed for design of rigid pavements. The pavement design has also assumed any clay materials encountered within 2 feet of pavement grade (as referenced from bottom or asphalt or aggregate base course layer, whichever is lower) would be removed and replaced with suitable nonexpansive fill.

Design Traffic: Detailed traffic loading information for the planned pavement areas was not available to us at the time of our study. We have assumed traffic will primarily consist of automobiles, single-unit moving trucks, and occasional fire truck access with HS-20 loading. Based on our experience with similar facilities, for our pavement thickness design calculations, we assumed an equivalent 18-kip daily load application (EDLA) of 5 for areas restricted to automobile traffic (such as auto parking stalls), and 15 for areas of combined auto and truck traffic (such as drive lanes). If it is determined that actual traffic is significantly different from that estimated, we should be contacted to reevaluate the pavement thickness design.

Pavement Sections: The recommended sections were determined using the DARWin 3.01 pavement design software based on the 1993 AASHTO pavement design procedures. Based on the subgrade conditions encountered and the traffic information provided, we recommend the following pavement sections:

Traffic	Pavement Section Thickness (in.)		
	Full Depth Asphalt	Composite Asphalt over Base Course	Portland Cement Concrete over Base Course
Light Duty (Areas restricted to automobile traffic)	5.5	4 over 6	6 over 4
Heavy Duty (Areas w/autos, occasional trucks)	6.5	5 over 6	6.5 over 4

We recommend trash pickup or loading dock areas, and other areas where truck turning movements are concentrated be paved with the portland cement concrete (Heavy Duty) section rather than one of the asphalt alternatives. The use of a flexible pavement in these areas could result in pavement fatigue cracking and/or rutting/shoving of the pavement due to the concentrated wheel loads.

Subgrade Preparation: Fill placed for support of pavements should meet the material and compaction requirements for structural fill presented in the “Site Grading and Earthwork” section of this report.

To reduce the potential magnitude of pavement heave and distress caused by swelling of the clays, we recommend these materials be removed and replaced with nonexpansive fill where encountered within 2 feet of the pavement grade (as referenced from bottom or asphalt or aggregate base course layer, whichever is lower). At the base of the overexcavation, the entire subgrade area should be overexcavated scarified to a depth of 12 inches, moisture conditioned as necessary, and compacted to 95% of the standard Proctor (ASTM D698) maximum dry density. Increasing the depth of moisture conditioning would further reduce the magnitude of potential movements.

The pavement subgrade should be proofrolled with a heavily loaded pneumatic-tired vehicle or a heavy, smooth drum roller compactor. Pavement design procedures assume a stable subgrade. Areas that deform excessively under heavy wheel loads are not stable and should be removed and replaced to achieve a stable subgrade prior to paving.

Drainage: The collection and diversion of surface drainage away from paved areas is extremely important to the satisfactory performance of pavement. Drainage design should provide for the removal of water from paved areas and prevent the wetting of the subgrade soils.

Pavement Materials: The asphalt pavement should consist of a bituminous material which meets the requirements of the Pikes Peak Region Asphalt Paving Specifications. Given the assumed traffic loading, we recommend the mix have a binder grade of PG 58-28 or PG 64-22, and a design gyrations (Ndes) of 75. In the event that a PG 64-22 asphalt binder is used in the mix, the asphalt section will provide adequate structural support but will be subject to a higher potential for low temperature related transverse cracking. The mix grading should consist of a Grading S for the lower lifts, and a grading SX for the top lift. Grading S may also be acceptable for the top lift.

Aggregate base course should be a Class 6 material conforming to the requirements presented in Section 703.03 of the CDOT Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.

Concrete pavement should meet the requirements of a Class P Mix, per Section 601 of the CDOT Standard Specifications, and should be based on a mix design established by a qualified engineer. The concrete should contain transverse joints not greater than 12 to 15 feet on centers and longitudinal joints no greater than 14 feet. The joints should be hand formed, sawed or formed by premolded filler. The joints should be at least 1/4 of the slab thickness. Expansion joints should be provided at the end of each construction sequence and between the concrete slab and adjacent structures. Expansion joints where required, should be filled with a 1/2 inch-thick asphalt impregnated fiber. Concrete should be cured by protecting against loss of moisture, rapid temperature changes and mechanical injury for at least three days after placement. The concrete sections presented above are assumed to be unreinforced. Providing dowels at construction joints would help reduce the risk of differential movements between panel sections. Providing a grid mat of deformed rebar or welded wire mesh within the concrete pavement section would assist in mitigating corner breaks and differential panel movements. If a rebar mat is installed, we recommend that the bars be placed in the lower half of the pavement section. Also, if reinforcing is used, we have commonly seen No. 4 rebar placed at 24-inch center in each direction, however, we recommend that a structural engineer evaluate the placement and spacing of rebar if needed.

Maintenance: Periodic maintenance of paved areas is critical to achieve the design life of the pavement. Crack sealing should be performed annually as new cracks appear. Chip seals, fog seals, or slurry seals applied at approximate intervals of 3 to 5 years are usually necessary for asphalt. As conditions warrant, it may be necessary to perform patching and overlay at approximate 10-year intervals.

SITE GRADING AND EARTHWORK

Temporary Excavations: We recommend temporary excavation slopes be constructed in accordance with OSHA regulations. In accordance with OSHA criteria, the on-site native granular soils and existing fill should be considered a Type C soil due to the variability of material properties. The native clay soils classify as a Type B material, however, considering the intermittent occurrence of the clays, we recommend the overburden soils as a whole be considered a Type C material. Temporary unretained excavations should have slopes no steeper than 1.5:1 (H:V) in Type C soils. A properly braced excavation or the use of a trench box should be used where the indicated unretained slopes cannot be accommodated. Flatter slopes will be required where groundwater seepage is encountered. OSHA regulations require that excavations greater than 20 feet in depth be designed by a professional engineer. If soils different from those indicated in this report are encountered, the OSHA soil type may vary and the required cut slopes may need to be adjusted. A contractor's competent person should make decisions regarding cut slopes.

Excavated slopes may soften or loosen due to construction traffic and erode from surface runoff. Measures to keep surface runoff from excavation slopes, including diversion berms, should be considered.

Excavation Considerations: In our opinion, the overburden soils encountered in the exploratory borings drilled for this study can be excavated with heavy-duty construction equipment. Based on the subsurface conditions encountered, we do not anticipate dewatering to be necessary during construction.

Cut and Fill Slopes: Permanent cut and fill slopes should not be steeper than 3:1 (horizontal to vertical). Slopes will generally be stable at 2:1; however, 2:1 slopes will be prone to increased surface erosion and it will be difficult to maintain vegetation on them. The risk of slope instability will be significantly increased if seepage is encountered in cuts. If seepage is encountered in

permanent excavations, an investigation should be conducted to determine if the seepage will adversely affect the cut stability.

Good surface drainage should be provided for all permanent cuts and fills to direct the surface runoff away from the slope faces. Permanent cut and fill slopes and other stripped areas should be protected against erosion by revegetation or other means. Fills should be benched into hillsides exceeding 4 horizontal to 1 vertical. Site grading should be planned to provide positive surface drainage away from all building and pavement areas.

No formal stability analyses were performed to evaluate the slopes recommended above. Published literature and our experience with similar cuts and fills indicate the recommended slopes should have adequate factors of safety. If a detailed stability analysis is required, we should be notified.

Fill Material: Unless specifically modified in the preceding sections of this report, the following recommended material and compaction requirements are presented for structural fills on the project site. A geotechnical engineer should evaluate the suitability of all proposed fill materials for the project prior to placement.

1. *Nonexpansive Structural Fill:* With proper moisture conditioning, the on-site native granular soils will be suitable for reuse as nonexpansive fill, including structural fill beneath foundations, slabs, and pavements. The existing fill encountered is also suitable for reuse, minus any deleterious materials. Clay soils should be considered unsuitable for use as structural fill. New fill should extend down from the edge of foundations at a minimum 1:1 horizontal to vertical projection.

Imported structural fill, if required, should consist of nonexpansive soil material having a maximum of 50% passing the No. 200 sieve, and a maximum plasticity index of 15. (We recognize that some of the tested samples of the onsite granular soils do not meet these specifications; however, given the properties, it is our opinion they would be acceptable for reuse as structural fill, if properly moisture conditioned.) Import fill source materials not meeting the above liquid limit and plasticity index criteria may be acceptable (provided the minimum percentage passing the No. 200 sieve is satisfied) if the swell potential when

remolded to 98% of the ASTM D 698 (standard Proctor) maximum dry density at optimum moisture content under a 200 psf surcharge pressure does not exceed 1%. Evaluation of potential sources would then require determination of laboratory moisture-density relationships and swell consolidation tests on remolded samples, thereby adding time and cost to evaluate proposed fill materials.

2. *Utility Trench Backfill:* Materials excavated from the utility trenches may be used for trench backfill above the pipe zone fill provided they do not contain unsuitable material or particles larger than 4 inches.
3. *Material Suitability:* All fill material should be free of vegetation, brush, sod, trash and debris, and other deleterious substances, and should not contain rocks or lumps having a diameter of more than 6 inches.
4. *Subgrade Preparation:* The ground surface shall be stripped of vegetation/organics prior to fill placement. The resulting ground surface should be scarified to a depth of 12 inches, moisture conditioned as necessary, and compacted in a manner specified below for the subsequent layers of fill. Loose or unstable soils shall be removed, where present, in order to provide a stable platform prior to placement of fill.
5. *Existing Fill:* Any existing fill encountered should be considered unsuitable for support of foundations and floor slabs, unless documentation can be provided stating it was properly compacted. We recommend the existing fill, where present in these areas, be overexcavated, moisture conditioned, and placed back properly compacted. Provided the owner understands and accepts the potential for differential subgrade movement and the resulting increased potential for distress, overexcavation of the existing fill in pavement areas is not required, as these items can typically tolerate movement and are more easily repaired. If it is preferred to reduce the magnitude of potential movements, we recommend overexcavation of the existing fill to a minimum depth of 2 feet in pavement areas.
6. *Overexcavation of Clays:* We recommend the expansive clays be overexcavated and replaced with a nonexpansive structural fill, where present within 3 feet of the bottom of foundations and floor slabs. For PT-slab foundations, the overexcavation of 3 feet should

be referenced from the bottom the lowest portion of the foundation element/rib. Depending on the amount of site grading planned, partial or no overexcavation may be applicable provided there is adequate separation between the foundation bearing elevation and the expansive materials. For pavement areas and other areas with movement sensitive exterior flatwork, we recommend a minimum 2-foot overexcavation and replacement. Based on our understanding of the proposed grades and the conditions encountered in our boring logs, it appears overexcavation of clay will be required for portions of building represented by Borings 1, 2 and 6. Overexcavation of clays in pavement areas is anticipated to be localized to areas represented by Borings 1 and 2. It is expected that once grading and excavations begin, we are present on site to observe test pits and assist the contractor in determining the limits of overexcavation that will be required.

Compaction Requirements: A representative of the geotechnical engineer should observe fill placement operations on a full-time basis. We recommend the following minimum compaction criteria be used on the project.

Area	Percentage of Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (ASTM D 698)
Building Pad	98%
Floor Slab Subgrade	95%
Foundation Wall Backfill	95%
Beneath Pavement Areas/Exterior Flatwork/Utility Trenches	95%
Retaining Wall Subgrade	98%
Retaining Wall Backfill	95%
Landscape and Other Misc. Overlot Fill Areas	95%
Compaction of granular soils should be achieved at a moisture content within +/- 2% of the optimum. Clay materials should be placed at a moisture content within -1% to +3% of the optimum.	

DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT SERVICES

Kumar & Associates, Inc. should be retained to review the project plans and specifications for conformance with the recommendations provided in our report. We are also available to assist the design team in preparing specifications for geotechnical aspects of the project, and performing

additional studies if necessary to accommodate possible changes in the proposed construction.

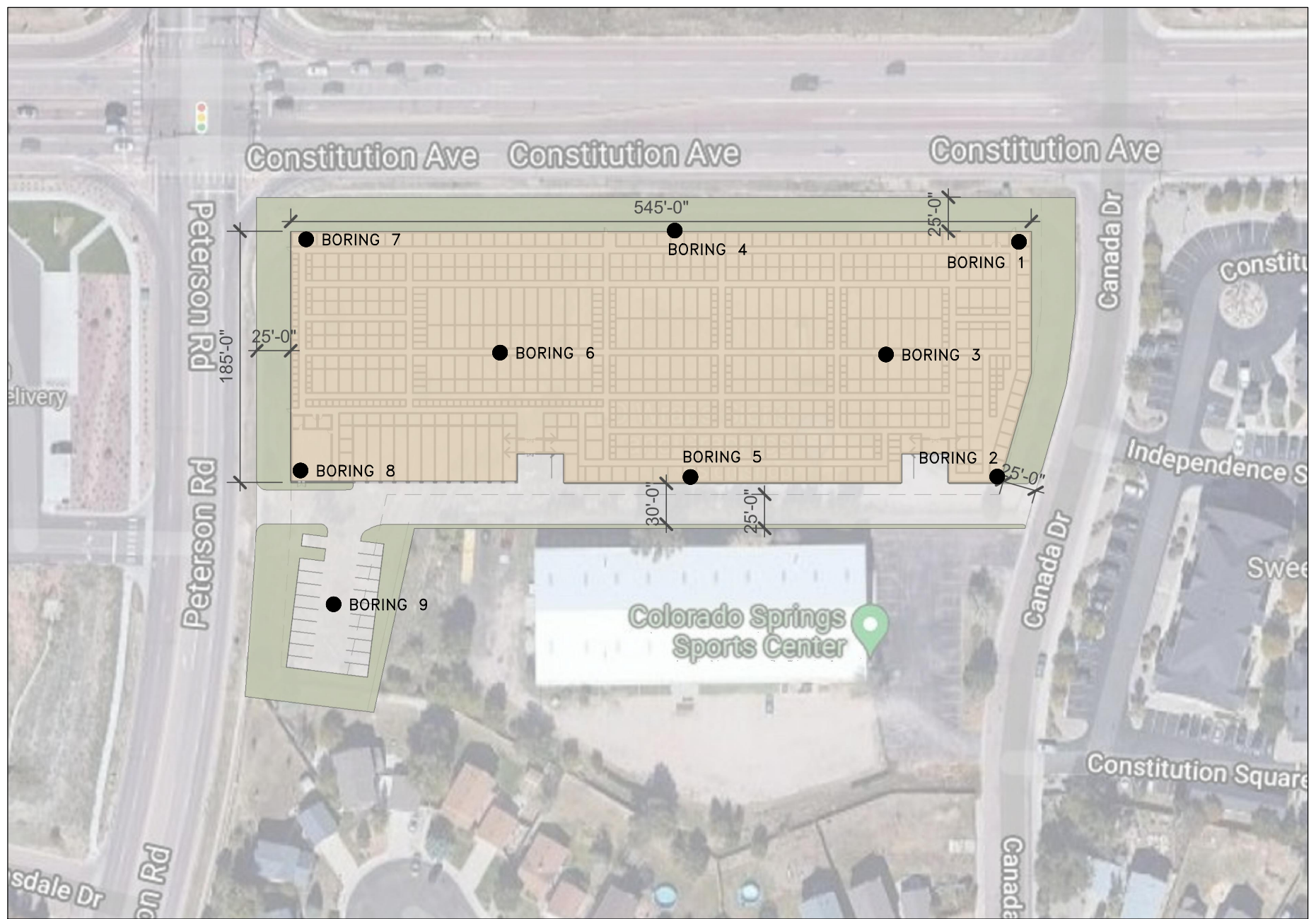
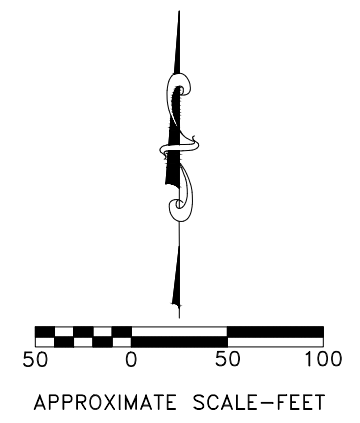
We recommend that Kumar & Associates, Inc. be retained to provide construction observation and testing services to document that the intent of this report and the requirements of the plans and specifications are being followed during construction. This will allow us to identify possible variations in subsurface conditions from those encountered during this study and to allow us to re-evaluate our recommendations, if needed. We will not be responsible for implementation of the recommendations presented in this report by others, if we are not retained to provide construction observation and testing services.

LIMITATIONS

This study has been conducted for exclusive use by the client for geotechnical related design and construction criteria for the project. The conclusions and recommendations submitted in this report are based upon the data obtained from the exploratory borings at the locations indicated on Fig. 1 or as described in the report, and the proposed type of construction. This report may not reflect subsurface variations that occur, and the nature and extent of variations across the site may not become evident until site grading and excavations are performed. If during construction, fill, soil, rock or water conditions appear to be different from those described herein, Kumar & Associates, Inc. should be advised at once so that a re-evaluation of the recommendations presented in this report can be made. Kumar & Associates, Inc. is not responsible for liability associated with interpretation of subsurface data by others.

Swelling soils occur on this site. Such soils are stable at their natural moisture content but will undergo volume changes with changes in moisture content. The extent and amount of perched water beneath the building site as a result of area irrigation and inadequate surface drainage is difficult, if not impossible, to foresee. The recommendations presented in this report are based on current theories and experience of our engineers on the behavior of swelling soil in this area. The owner should be aware that there is a risk in constructing a building in an area with expansive soils. Following the recommendations given by a geotechnical engineer, careful construction practice and prudent maintenance by the owner can, however, decrease the risk of foundation movement due to expansive soils.

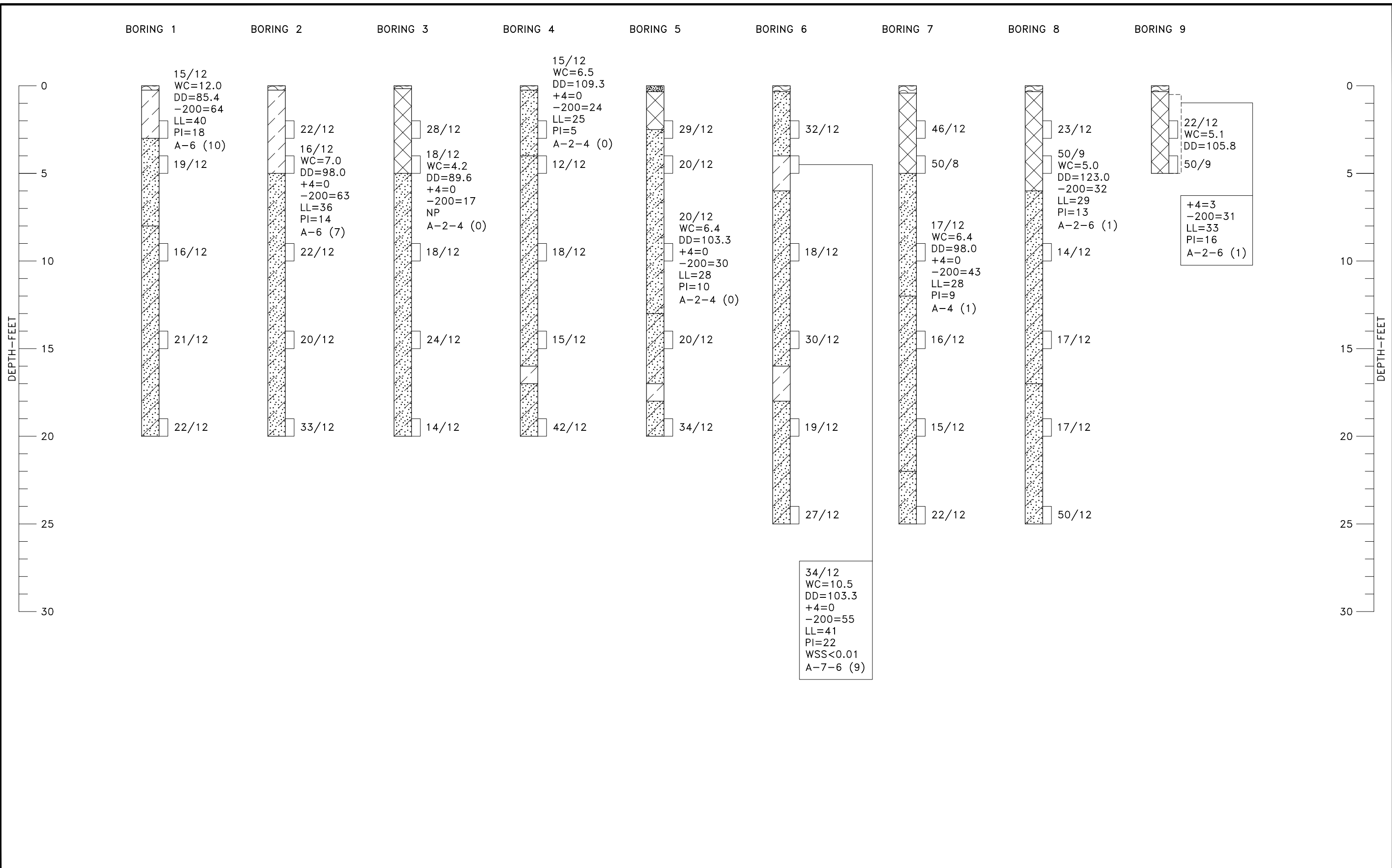
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LEGEND



TOPSOIL.



AGGREGATE BASE COARSE.



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CLAYEY SAND (SC) TO SILTY-CLAYEY SAND (SC-SM), MEDIUM DENSE TO VERY DENSE, SLIGHTLY MOIST TO MOIST, TAN TO BROWN.



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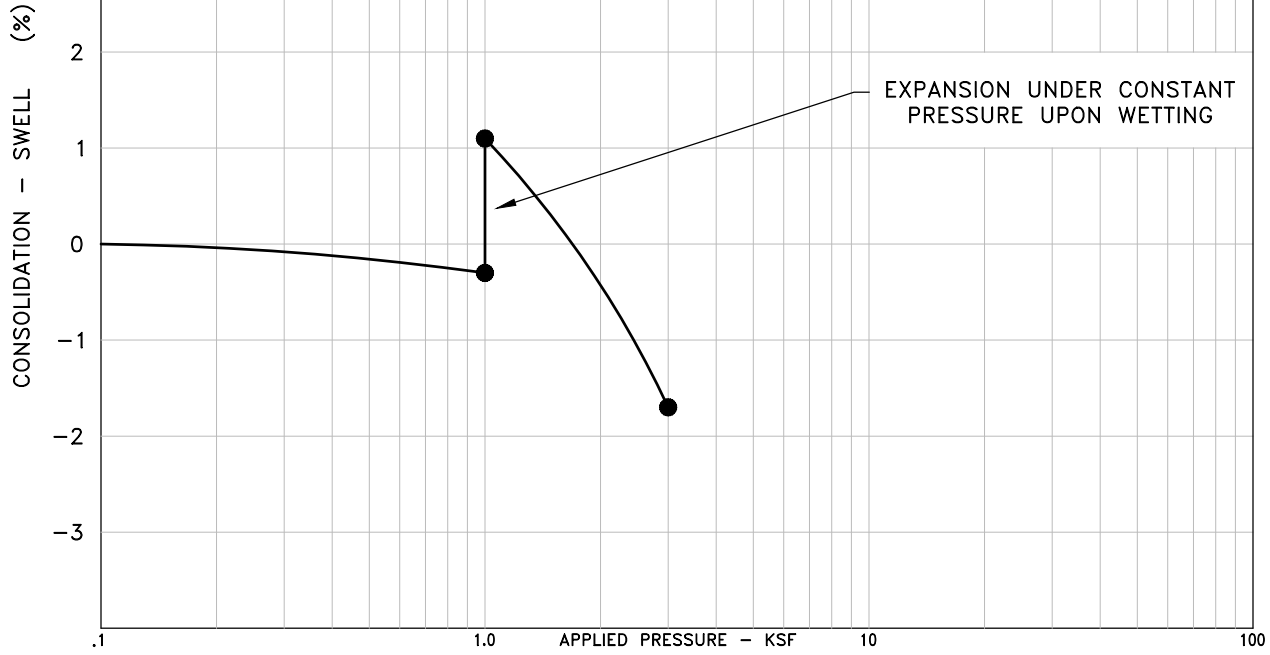
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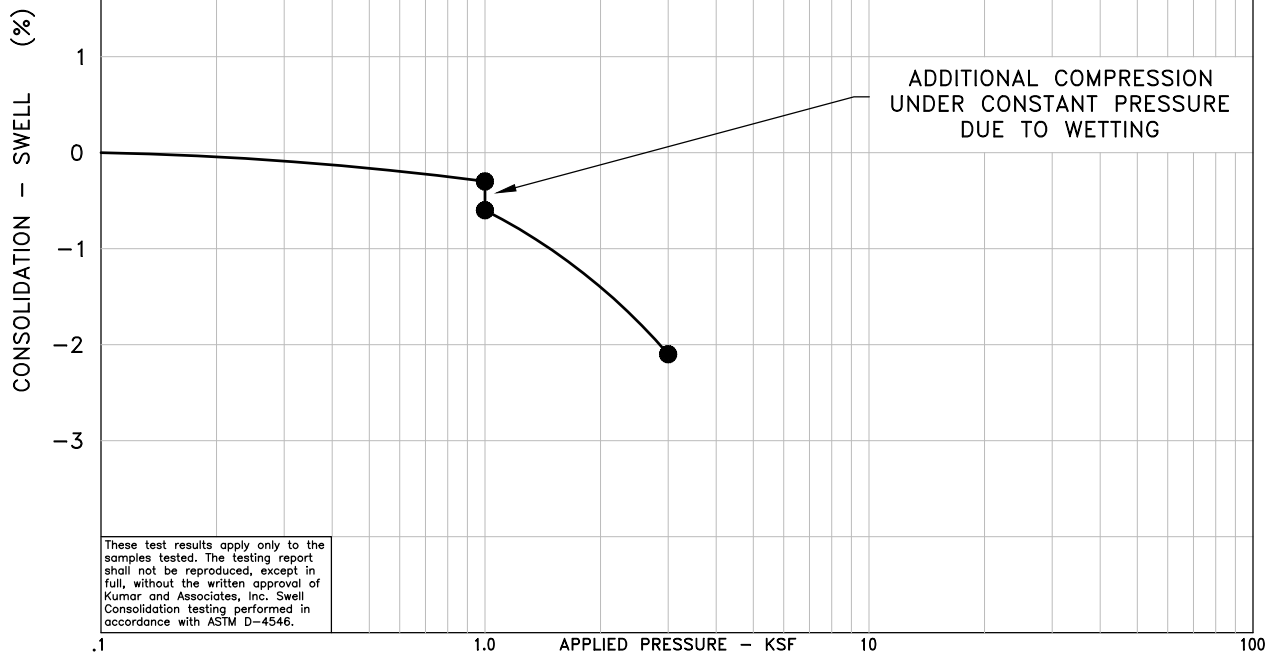
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1. THE EXPLORATORY BORINGS WERE DRILLED ON JANUARY 14, 2022 WITH A 4-INCH-DIAMETER CONTINUOUS-FLIGHT POWER AUGER.
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3. THE ELEVATIONS OF THE EXPLORATORY BORINGS WERE NOT MEASURED AND THE LOGS OF THE EXPLORATORY BORINGS ARE PLOTTED TO DEPTH.
4. THE LINES BETWEEN MATERIALS SHOWN ON THE EXPLORATORY BORING LOGS REPRESENT THE APPROXIMATE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN MATERIAL TYPES AND THE TRANSITIONS MAY BE GRADUAL.
5. GROUNDWATER WAS NOT ENCOUNTERED IN THE BORINGS AT THE TIME OF DRILLING. FLUCTUATIONS IN THE WATER LEVEL MAY OCCUR WITH TIME.
6. LABORATORY TEST RESULTS:
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LL = LIQUID LIMIT (ASTM D4318);
PI = PLASTICITY INDEX (ASTM D4318);
NP = NON-PLASTIC (ASTM D 4318);
WSS = WATER SOLUBLE SULFATES (%) (CP-L 2103);
A-6 (10) = AASHTO CLASSIFICATION (GROUP INDEX) (AASHTO M145).

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 -200 = 64 %, LL = 40, PI = 18



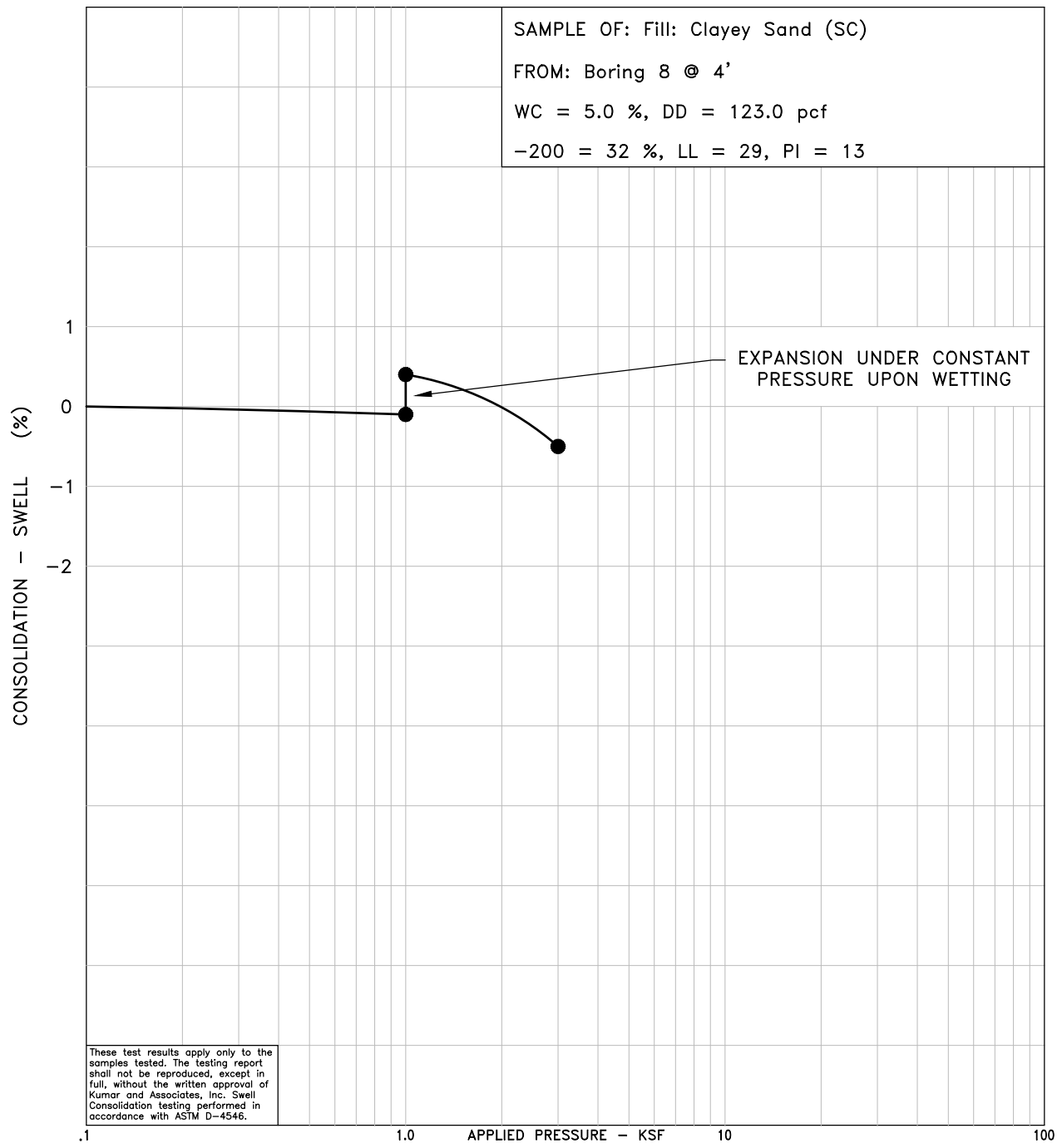
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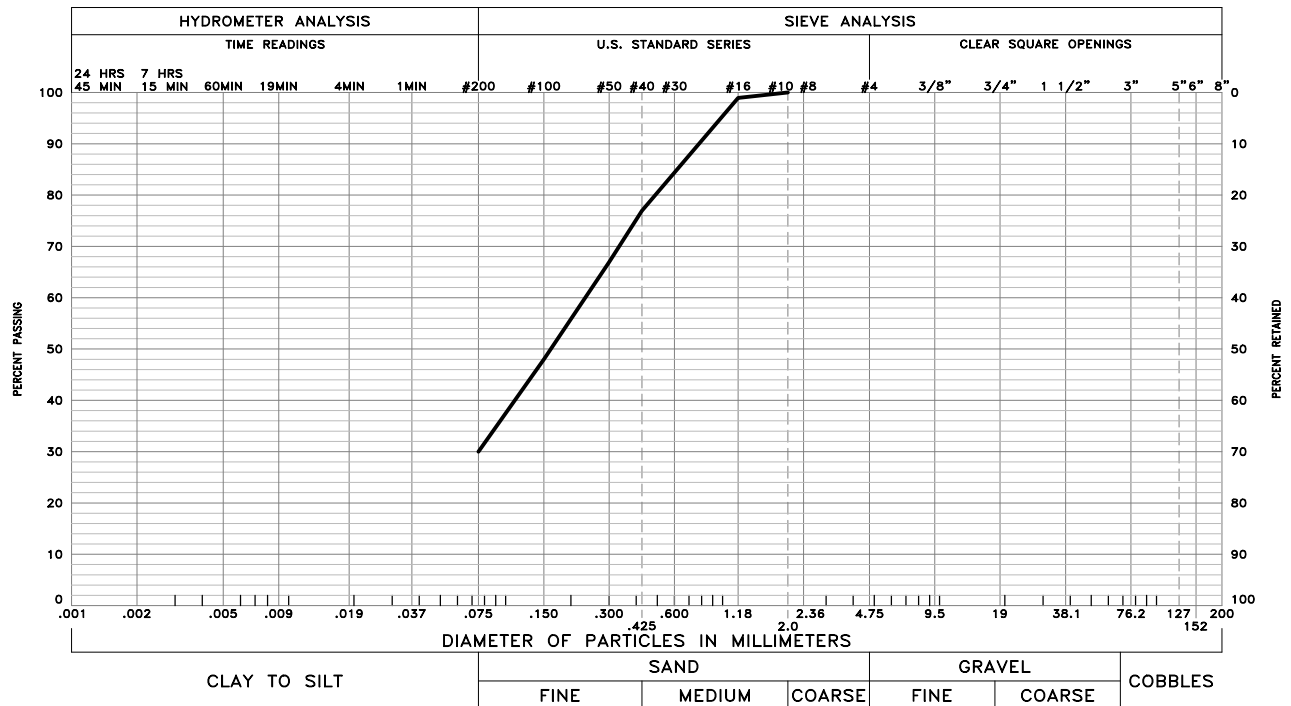
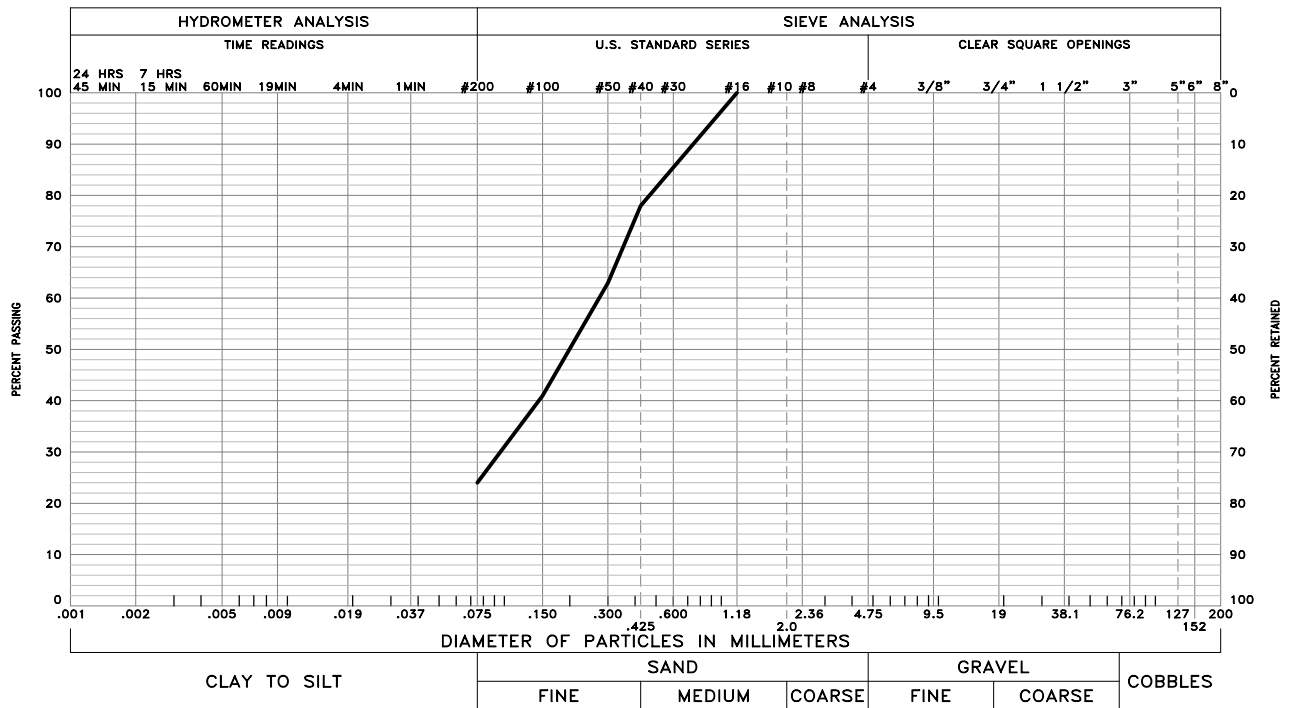
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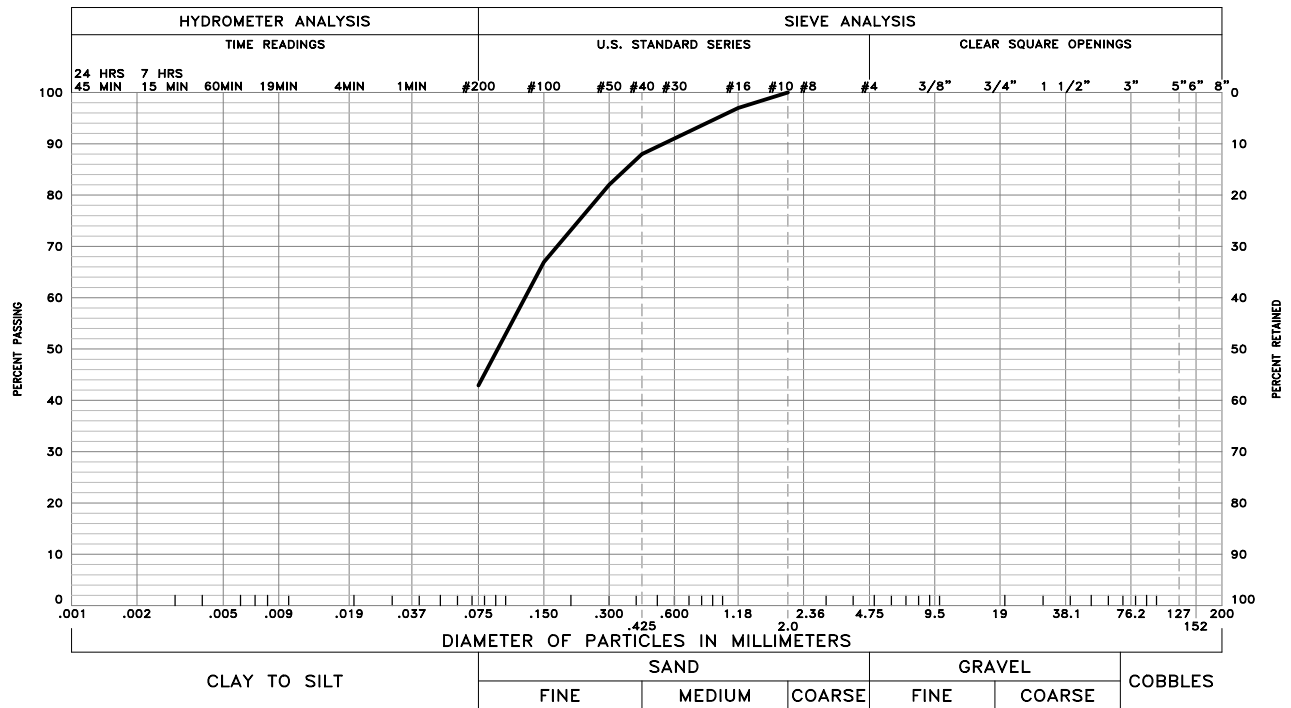
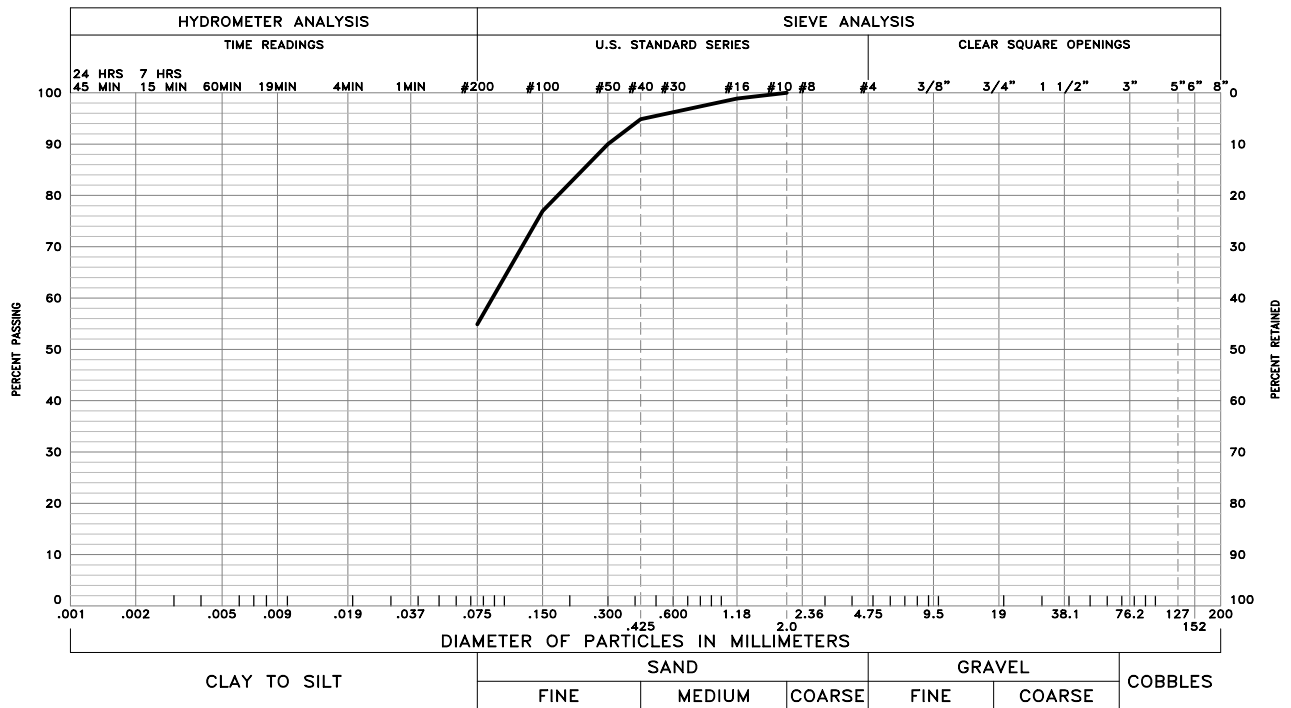
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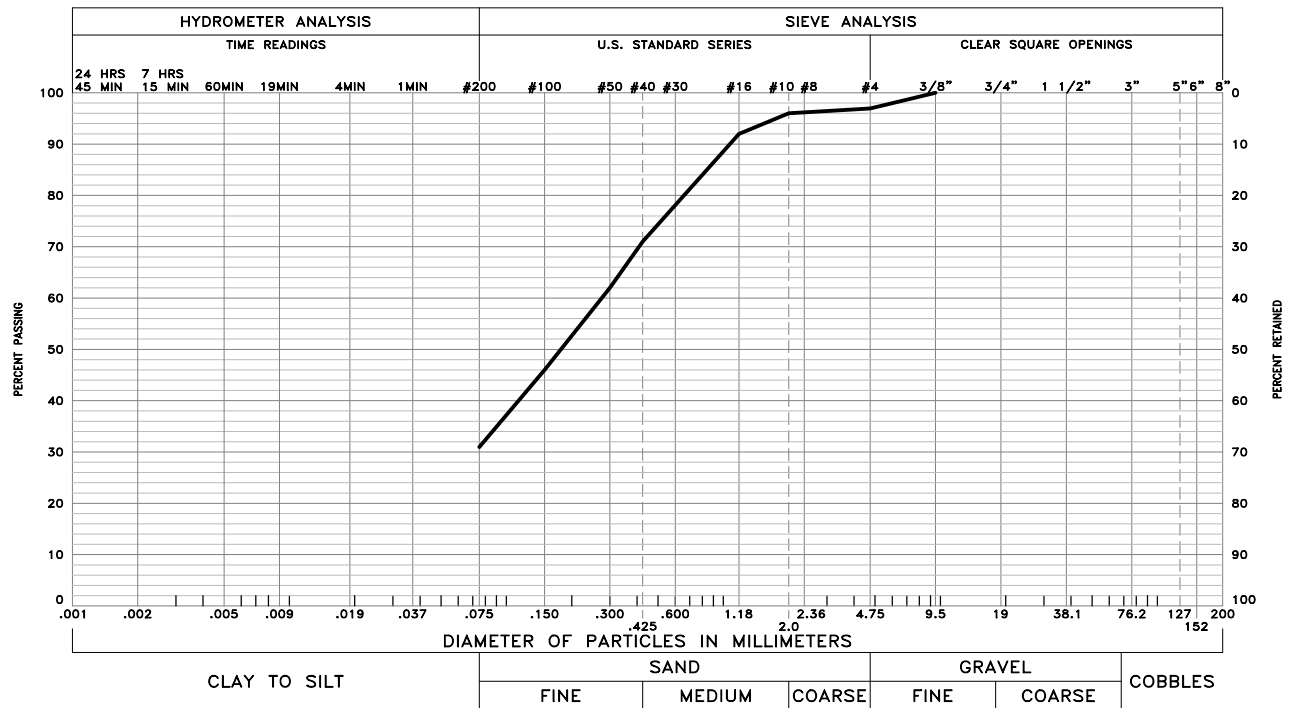
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GRAVEL 3 % SAND 66 % SILT AND CLAY 31 %

LIQUID LIMIT 33 PLASTICITY INDEX 16

SAMPLE OF: Fill: Clayey Sand (SC) FROM: Boring 9 @ 6"-5'

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TABLE I SUMMARY OF LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

Project No.: 212-272

Project Name: Constitution Self Storage

Date Sampled: 1/14/2022

Date Received: 1/19/2022

SAMPLE LOCATION		DATE TESTED	NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT (%)	NATURAL DRY DENSITY (pcf)	GRADATION		PERCENT PASSING NO. 200 SIEVE	ATTERBERG LIMITS		WATER SOLUBLE SULFATES (%)	AASHTO CLASSIFICATION (Group Index)	SOIL OR BEDROCK TYPE (Unified Soil Classification)
BORING	DEPTH (ft)				GRAVEL (%)	SAND (%)		LIQUID LIMIT	PLASTICITY INDEX			
1	2	1/25/22	12.0	85.4			64	40	18		A-6 (10)	Sandy Lean Clay (CL)
2	4	1/25/22	7.0	98.0	0	37	63	36	14		A-6 (7)	Sandy Lean Clay (CL)
3	4	1/25/22	4.2	89.6	0	83	17		NP		A-2-4 (0)	Fill: Silty Sand (SM)
4	2	1/25/22	6.5	109.3	0	76	24	25	5		A-2-4 (0)	Silty Clayey Sand (SC-SM)
5	9	1/25/22	6.4	103.3	0	70	30	28	10		A-2-4 (0)	Clayey Sand (SC)
6	4	1/25/22	10.5	103.0	0	45	55	41	22	<0.01	A-7-6 (9)	Sandy Lean Clay (CL)
7	9	1/25/22	6.4	98.0	0	57	43	28	9		A-4 (1)	Clayey Sand (SC)
8	4	1/25/22	5.0	123.0			32	29	13		A-2-6 (1)	Fill: Clayey Sand (SC)
9	6"-5'	1/25/22			3	66	31	33	16		A-2-6 (1)	Fill: Clayey Sand (SC)
9	2	1/25/22	5.1	105.8								Fill: Clayey Sand (SC)



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March 22, 2022

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Subject: Geotechnical Engineering Report Addendum, Proposed Self Storage Facility,
6855 Constitution Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Project No. 21-2-272

Dear Mr. Kearney:

As requested, this letter provides supplemental recommendations for the subject project, based on our understanding of changes in the proposed construction. We previously prepared a geotechnical engineering report for the development, Project No. 21-2-272, dated February 3, 2022. At the time of the original study, the proposed construction was to consist of a single-story building with a footprint of roughly 100,800 SF. We understand the current proposed building will be two-story and have a reduced footprint of approximately 54,800 SF. The first floor of the building will have a finished floor elevation of 6,510.1 feet, which will result in a retaining condition within the foundation walls along the west and north sides of the building of approximately 6 feet or less.

Based on our review of the project geotechnical engineering report and our current understanding of the proposed construction, it is our opinion the recommendations presented in the February 2022 report remain applicable for this project. Because portions of the building will now have adjacent exterior grades higher than the interior floor elevation, we recommend the west and north sides of the building be protected by a partial perimeter underdrain. Although shallow groundwater was not encountered, our experience indicates localized perched water conditions can develop after development, particularly in wetter seasons, and after precipitation events.

The underdrain system should consist of drain lines along the west and north sides of the building (interior or exterior) where exterior grades will be greater than the first floor elevation. The drain lines should extend a minimum of 2 feet below the first floor slab elevation, with a minimum 4-inch diameter, perforated rigid pipe placed in the bottom of a trench, and surrounded above the invert level with free-draining gravel. This free-draining gravel should be surrounded with an unwoven filter fabric (Mirafi 140N or equivalent). If the drain is installed on the building interior, the gravel should extend up to the slab bearing elevation. If installed on the exterior,

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the gravel should extend to a minimum 1 foot above the drain pipe. Free-draining gravel used in the drain system should contain less than 5% passing the No. 200 sieve, less than 30% passing the No. 4 sieve and have a maximum size of 2 inches. The drain lines should be graded to a gravity outlet or sump at a minimum 1% slope.

If you should require any further information, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Geotechnical Engineering Report Addendum No. 2, Proposed Detention Pond Structures, Self-Storage Facility Project, 6855 Constitution Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Project No. 21-2-272.A

Dear Mr. Duncan:

As requested, this letter provides supplemental recommendations for the subject project, to incorporate recommendations associated with planned detention pond structures that will be constructed east of the proposed self-storage facility. We previously prepared a geotechnical engineering report for the development, Project No. 21-2-272, dated February 3, 2022. We also provided a report addendum letter dated March 22, 2022 to reflect changes to the building pad size and planned grading.

Proposed Construction: We understand the proposed detention pond will be outlined with cantilevered cast-in-place concrete retaining walls around the pond perimeter, and will include two concrete inlet forebays with trickle channels that connect to a concrete micro pool and outlet. The retaining walls will have a maximum height of about 9 feet. The pond will include an aggregate surfaced maintenance road that ramps into the pond basin along the western side. Our project understanding is based on the Private Permanent Control Measure Plan and Site Development Plan Civil drawings, dated December 2022, that were provided to us.

Subsurface Conditions: Referencing our February 2022 study, Borings 1, 2 and 3 were drilled in the vicinity of the proposed pond. Under a layer of topsoil, Borings 1 and 2 encountered approximately 3 to 5 feet of native sandy lean clay, followed by granular soils, to include silty sand, clayey sand, and silty-clayey sand which extended to the 20-foot depth explored. Boring 3 included approximately 5 feet of silty to clayey sand fill, followed by native granular soil types of similar composition to the 20-foot depth explored. Groundwater was not encountered at the time of drilling.

Detention Pond Structure Foundations: Based on our review of the project geotechnical engineering report and our current understanding of the proposed construction, it is our opinion the spread footing foundation recommendations and associated criteria presented in the February 2022 report for the proposed building will be applicable for the detention pond structures, with the exception of the recommended allowable bearing capacity. We recommend a reduced allowable soil bearing pressure of 1,500 psf be used for design of the pond structure foundations due to the anticipated subsurface water conditions during use.

Retaining Structures: The “Foundation Walls and Retaining Structures” section of our February 2022 report should be amended with the following criteria, which has been expanded to include at-rest and undrained parameters.

Foundation walls and other earth retaining structures should be designed for the lateral earth pressure generated by the backfill. The lateral earth pressure acting on a wall is a function of the degree of rigidity of the retaining structure and the type of material used as backfill. Rigid earth retaining structures which are restrained from lateral deflection should be designed for the at-rest earth pressure condition. Cantilevered retaining structures capable of deflecting under loads will allow mobilization of the shear strength of the backfill and may be designed for the reduced lateral earth pressure represented by the active earth pressure condition. We recommend the earth retaining structures be designed for lateral earth pressures computed using the parameters from the following tabulation.

Application	Values Based on On-Site Granular Soils		Values Based on Import CDOT Class I Granular Backfill Material	
	Drained	Undrained	Drained	Undrained
Active Condition Equivalent Fluid Unit Weight	45 pcf	83 pcf	40 pcf	81 pcf
At-Rest Condition Equivalent Fluid Unit Weight	65 pcf	93 pcf	60 pcf	91 pcf

All foundation and retaining structures should be designed for appropriate hydrostatic and surcharge pressures such as adjacent buildings, traffic, construction materials and equipment. The pressures recommended above assume a horizontal backfill surface above the groundwater table. An upward sloping backfill surface or undrained conditions will increase the lateral pressure imposed on a foundation wall or retaining structure.

The lateral resistance of a foundation or retaining wall footing placed on undisturbed native granular soils or properly compacted structural fill material will be a combination of the sliding resistance of the foundation on the foundation materials and passive earth pressure against the side of the footing. Resistance to sliding at the bottoms of the footings may be calculated based on an allowable coefficient of friction of 0.3. Passive pressure against the sides of the footings may be calculated using an allowable equivalent fluid unit weight of 180 pcf. If undrained conditions are assumed for the design, an equivalent fluid unit weight of 110 pcf should be used.

The onsite soils, minus any clay, are suitable for use as wall backfill. Imported granular wall back fill, if used, should meet the requirements of a CDOT Class I structural backfill with less than 20% passing the No. 200 sieve. Proposed material should be approved by the geotechnical engineer prior to use.

The granular backfill behind foundation and retaining walls should be sloped from the base of the wall at an angle of at least 45 degrees from the vertical. Backfill should be placed in uniform lifts and

compacted to the criteria presented below. Care should be taken not to overcompact the backfill since this could cause excessive lateral pressure on the walls. Some settlement of deep foundation wall backfills will occur even if the material is placed properly.

Subgrade Preparation and Compaction Criteria: We recommend the subgrade of the proposed forebays, outlet structures, trickle channels and retaining walls be prepared in the same manner as recommended for the building foundation in our 2022 report. Overexcavation and replacement of all existing fill will be required where present below the bearing elevation. Additionally, overexcavation and replacement of the clay soils will be required where encountered within 3 feet of the bearing elevation. The "Foundation Recommendations – Spread Footings" and "Site Grading and Earthwork" sections of the February 2022 report should be consulted for additional criteria. The compaction requirements table below (from the 2022 report) has been amended to include the detention pond structures.

Area	Percentage of Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (ASTM D 698)
Building Pad and Detention Pond Structures	98%
Floor Slab Subgrade	95%
Foundation Wall Backfill	95%
Beneath Pavement Areas/Exterior Flatwork/Utility Trenches	95%
Retaining Wall Subgrade	98%
Retaining Wall Backfill	95%
Landscape and Other Misc. Overlot Fill Areas	95%
Compaction of granular soils should be achieved at a moisture content within +/- 2% of the optimum. Clay materials should be placed at a moisture content within -1% to +3% of the optimum.	

If you should require any further information, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Kumar & Associates, Inc.
 By: Duane P. Craft, PE



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February 24, 2023

Johnson Development Associates, Inc.
Attn: Brian Duncan
101 North Pacific Highway, Suite 308
El Segundo, California 90245

Subject: Evaluation of Global Slope Stability for Private Permanent Control Measure Structure, Constitution Avenue, 6855 Constitution Avenue, Colorado Springs, Colorado

Project No. 21-2-272A

Dear Mr. Duncan:

This letter summarizes our evaluation of global stability of the proposed retaining structures associated with the proposed private permanent control measure structure to be constructed at 6855 Constitution Avenue in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Proposed Construction: Based on the information provided, we understand a permanent control measure structure will be constructed east of the proposed storage facility to be located at the subject address. The proposed construction will consist of a detention pond outlined with cantilevered cast-in-place concrete retaining walls around the pond perimeter, and will include two concrete inlet forebays with trickle channels connecting to a concrete micro pool and outlet. Based on the plans provided, the concrete retaining walls will have a maximum height approaching about 9 feet. The pond will include an aggregate-surfaced maintenance road that ramps into the pond basin along the western side. Our understanding of the proposed construction is based on review of the plans provided; "Private Permanent Control Measure Plan, Constitution Storage (Project Plans)," dated December 2022. The Project Plans are attached to this letter.

Project History: Kumar & Associates, Inc. (K+A) previously performed a geotechnical engineering study for the project with the results presented in a report to Johnson Development Associates, Inc. under our Project No. 21-2-272, dated February 3, 2022. Two addendums to the report were subsequently prepared and were dated March 22, 2022 and February 16, 2023.

Since the submission of our geotechnical engineering report and associated addendums, we have been retained to perform global stability analysis of the retaining structures associated with the proposed private permanent control measure structure.

Global Stability Analyses: The global slope stability of the proposed retaining structures were evaluated using the Slope/W module of the Geostudio 2021 computer program. Several sections of the retaining structures were modeled and analyzed for global stability. The geometry of the selected sections were modeled based on the Project Plans provided. The soil conditions below and behind the retaining structures were based on the subsurface conditions encountered in the borings drilled in the area of the proposed permanent control measure structure as part of our project geotechnical engineering study as well as the information presented in the Project Plans. A maximum piezometric surface at an elevation of 6503.1 feet

was selected and used in the analyses based on the emergency overflow elevation shown on Sheet PCM1.3 of the Project Plans.

Soil parameters consisting of unit weight, internal friction angle (phi angle), and cohesion for the soils and materials to be used for the construction of the facility were selected based on the laboratory testing performed as part of our project geotechnical engineering study and our experience. The following table presents the soil properties selected for the stability analyses.

Material	Unit Weight (pcf)	Drained Shear Strengths	
		ϕ (degrees)	c' (psf)
Aggregate Base Course	135	34	0
Concrete	145	n/a	n/a
Free-Draining Granular Fill	130	32	0
On-Site Granular Soils	120	28	0

Analyses Results: The minimum factor of safety (FOS) as generally accepted in the local geotechnical practice for a permanent retaining structure is 1.5. Based on our analyses, the calculated critical FOS for global stability was about 1.7 at Station 1+50. Our analyses indicated FOS values above 1.5 for each of the seven sections evaluated. The results of the global stability analyses are presented in Figs. GS1 through GS7.

Limitations: This study has been performed in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering practices in this area for exclusive use by the client. The conclusions submitted in this letter are based upon the information obtained during our project geotechnical engineering study and the Project Plans provided. This report may not reflect subsurface variations that occur below the depth observed, and the nature and extent of variations across the site may not become evident until additional site grading and excavations are performed. If during construction, fill, soil, rock, or water conditions appear to be different from those described herein, K+A should be advised at once so a re-evaluation of the design can be made. K+A is not responsible for liability associated with interpretation of subsurface data by others. K+A has not evaluated the internal or external stability of the walls which were performed by others. Additionally, we understand the retaining structures were designed by Galloway & Company, Inc.

If you have any questions, please contact us.

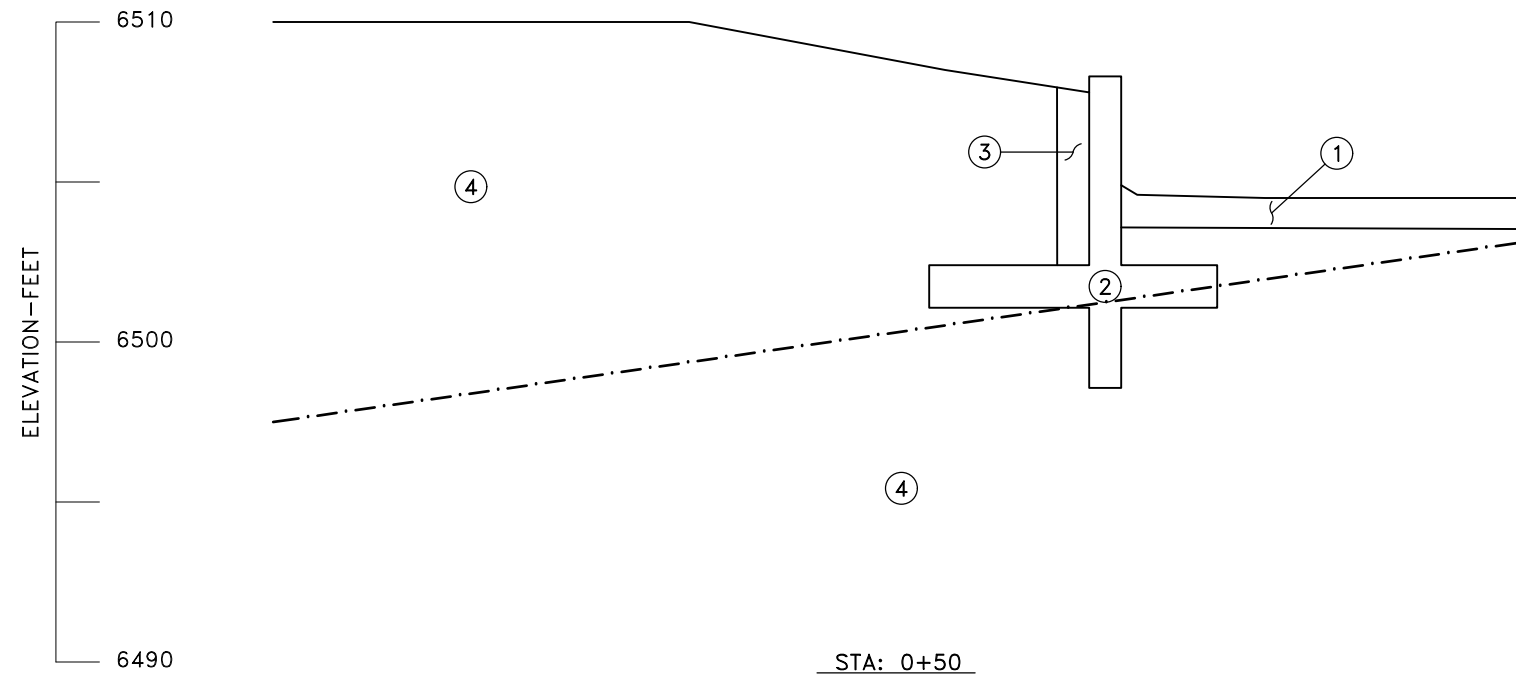
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KUMAR & ASSOCIATES, INC.
Justin Cupich, P.E.



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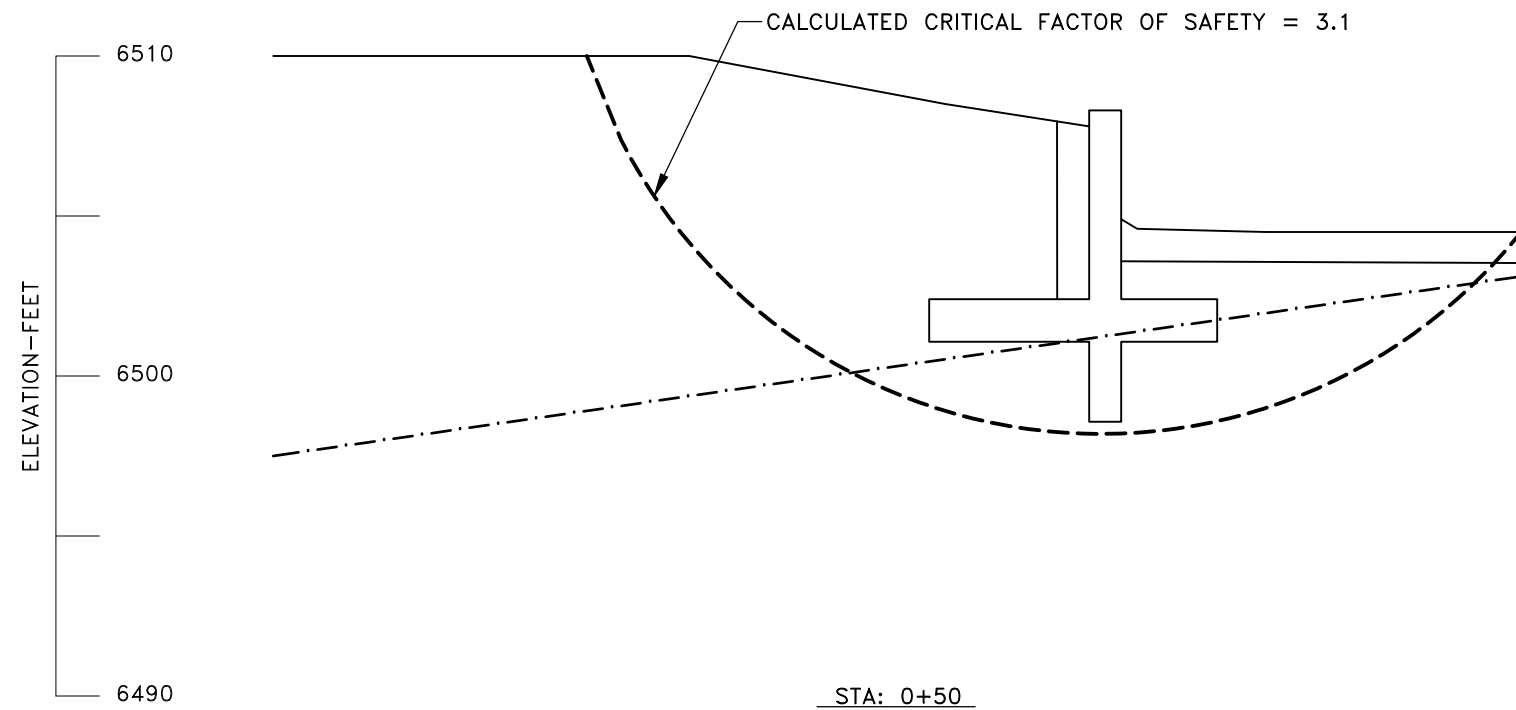


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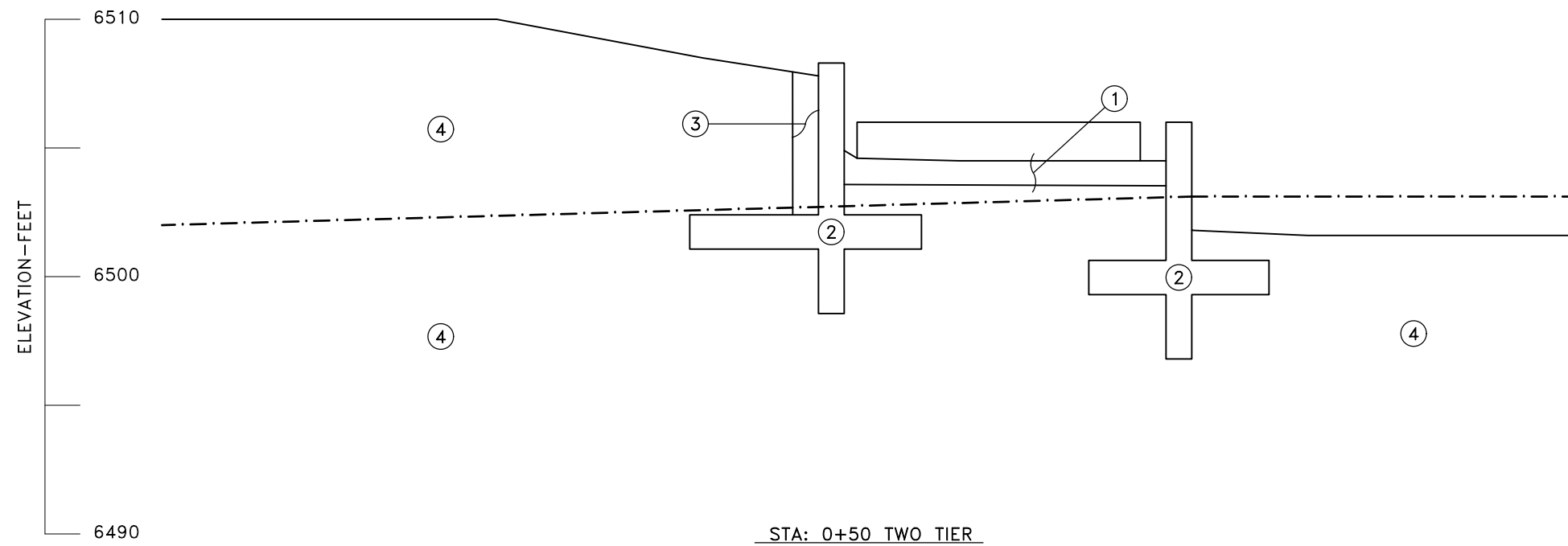
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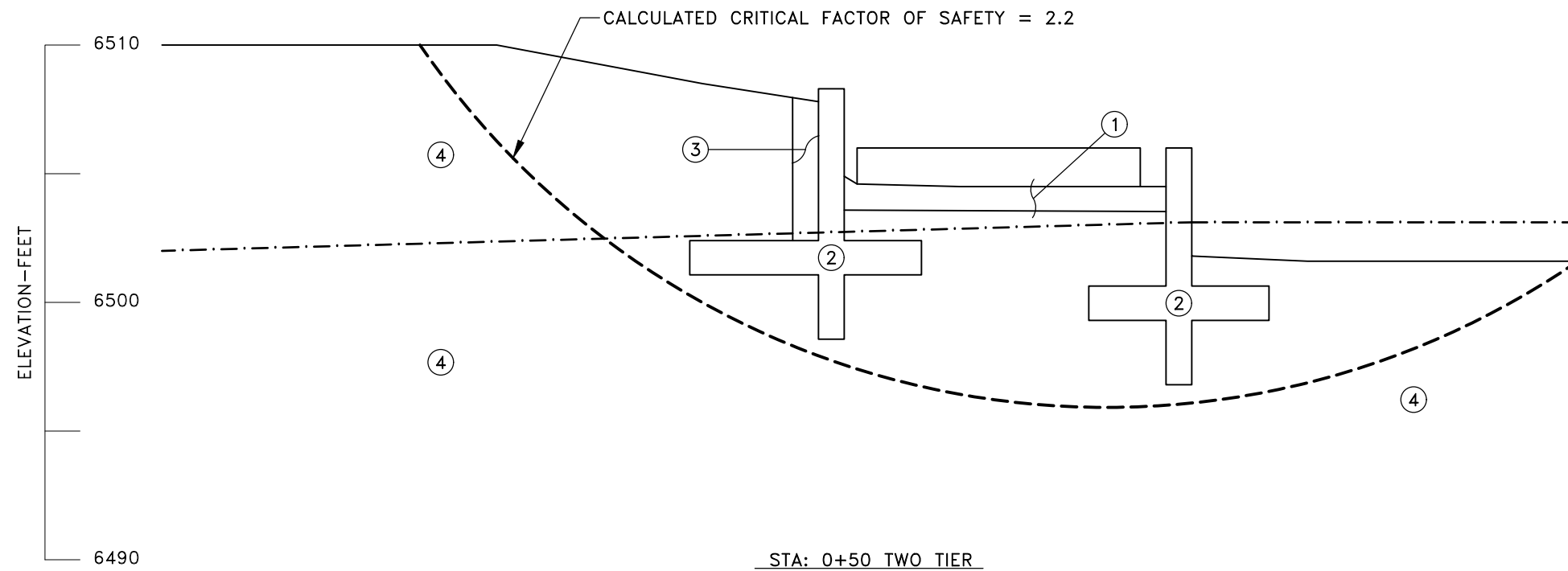


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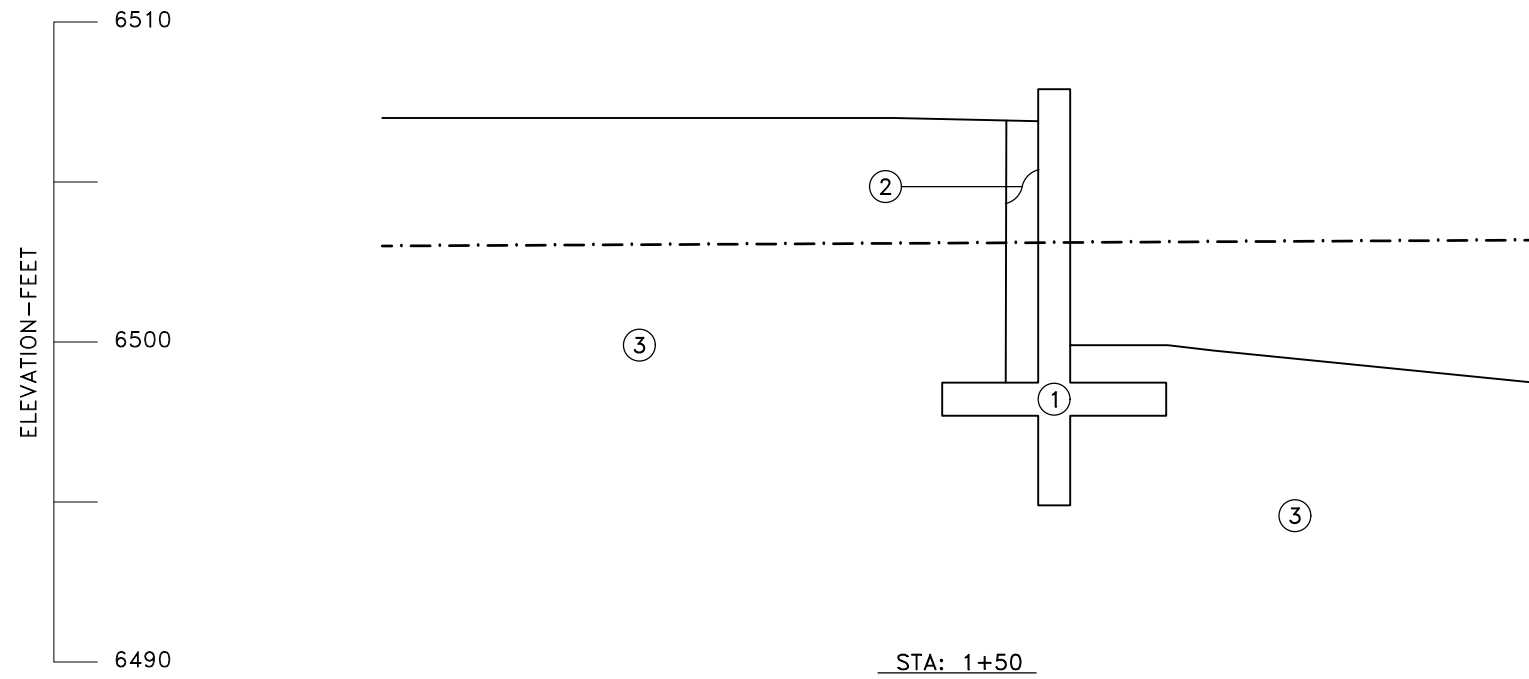
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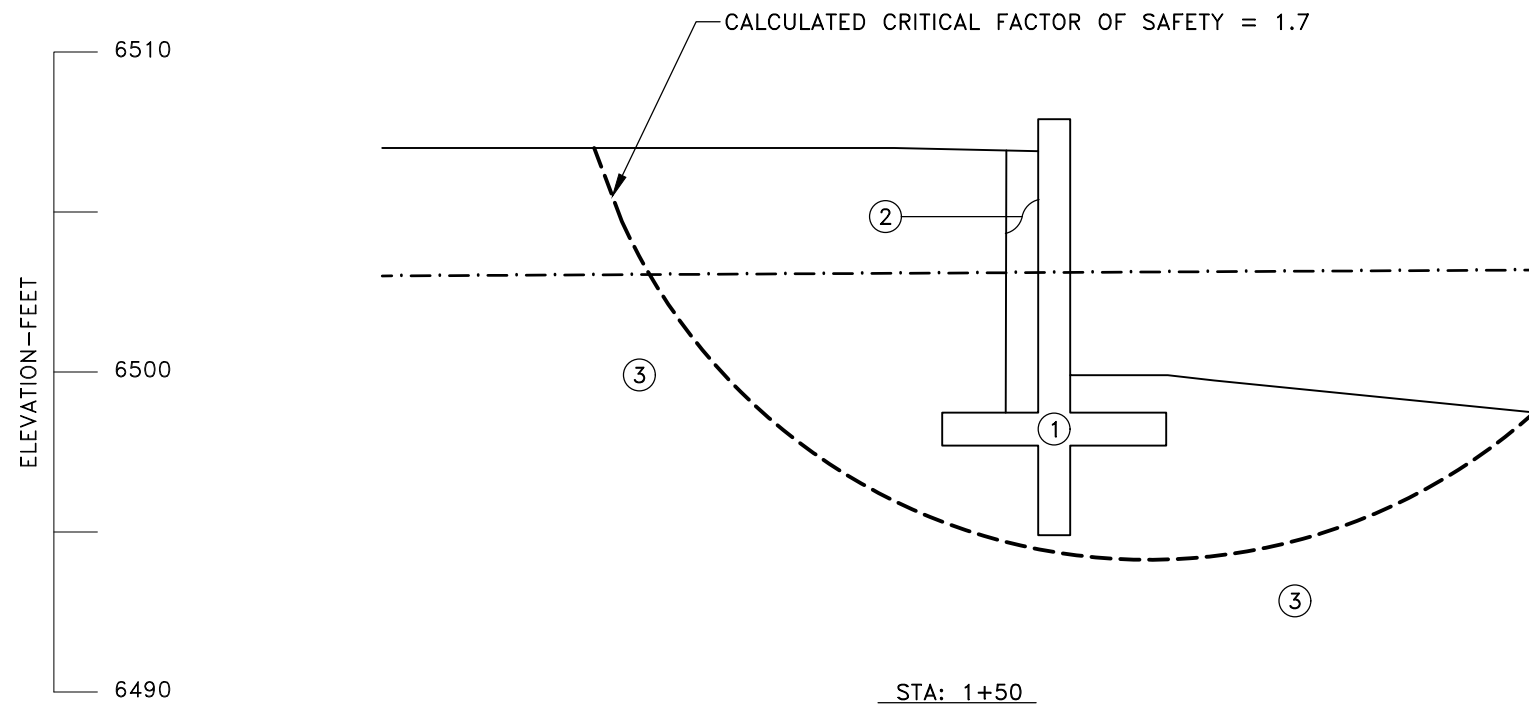


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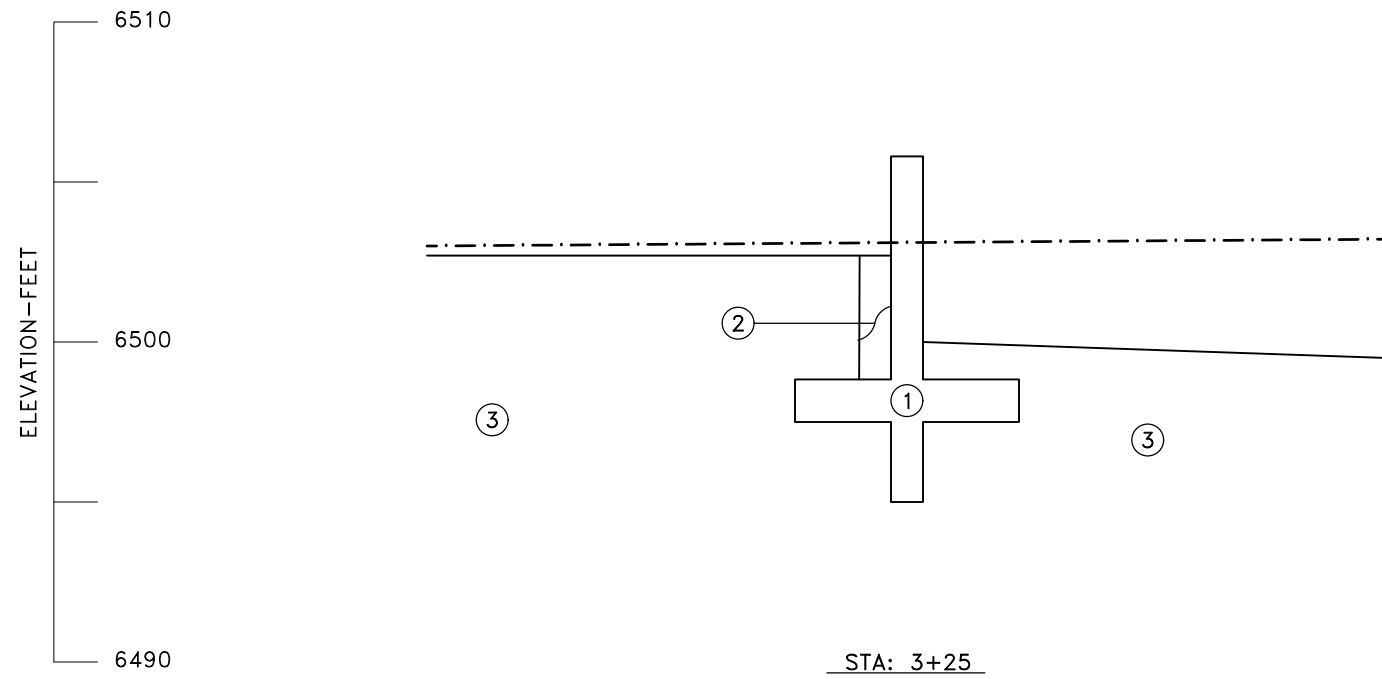
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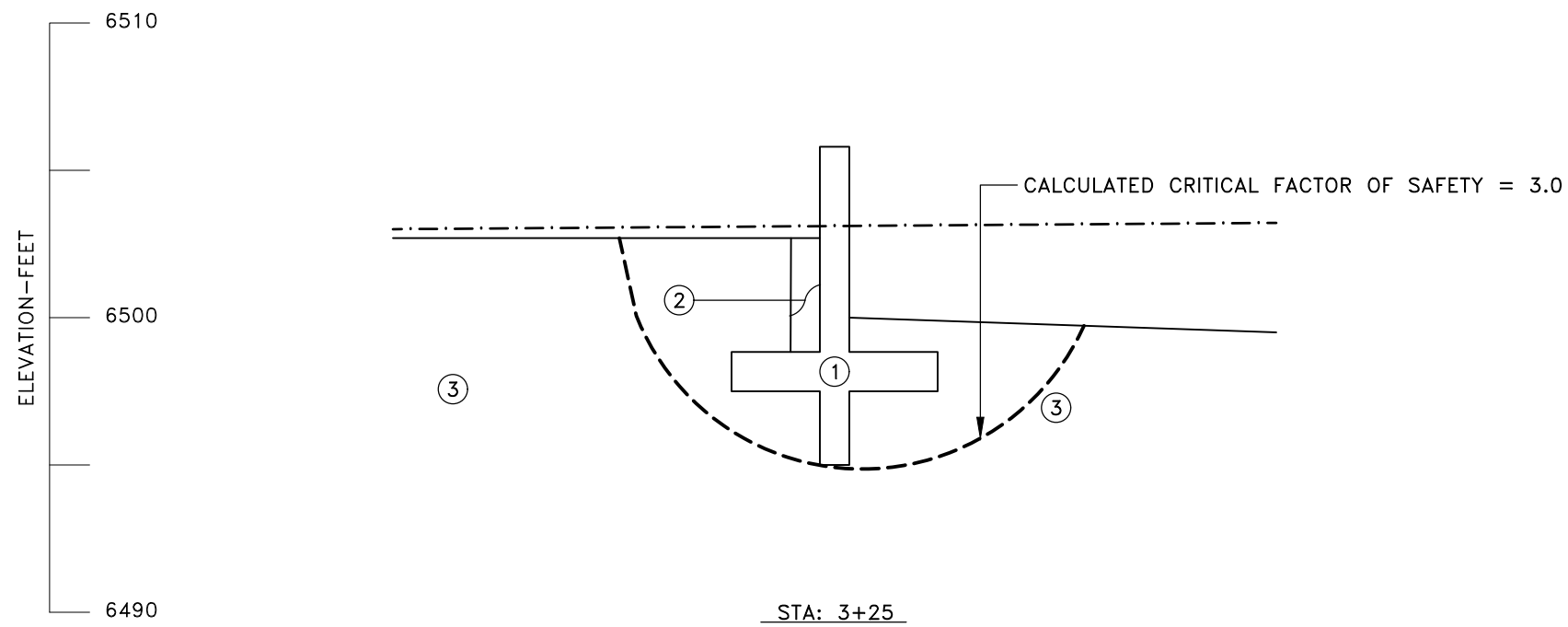
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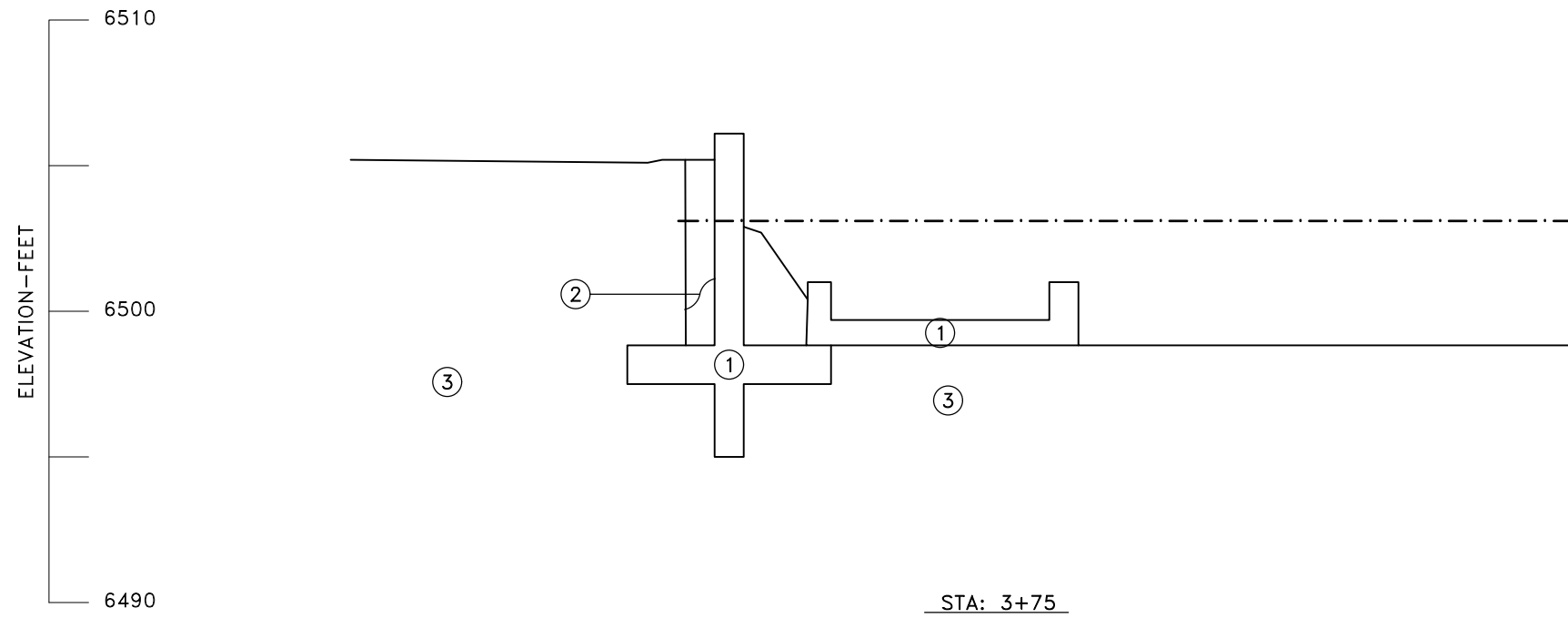
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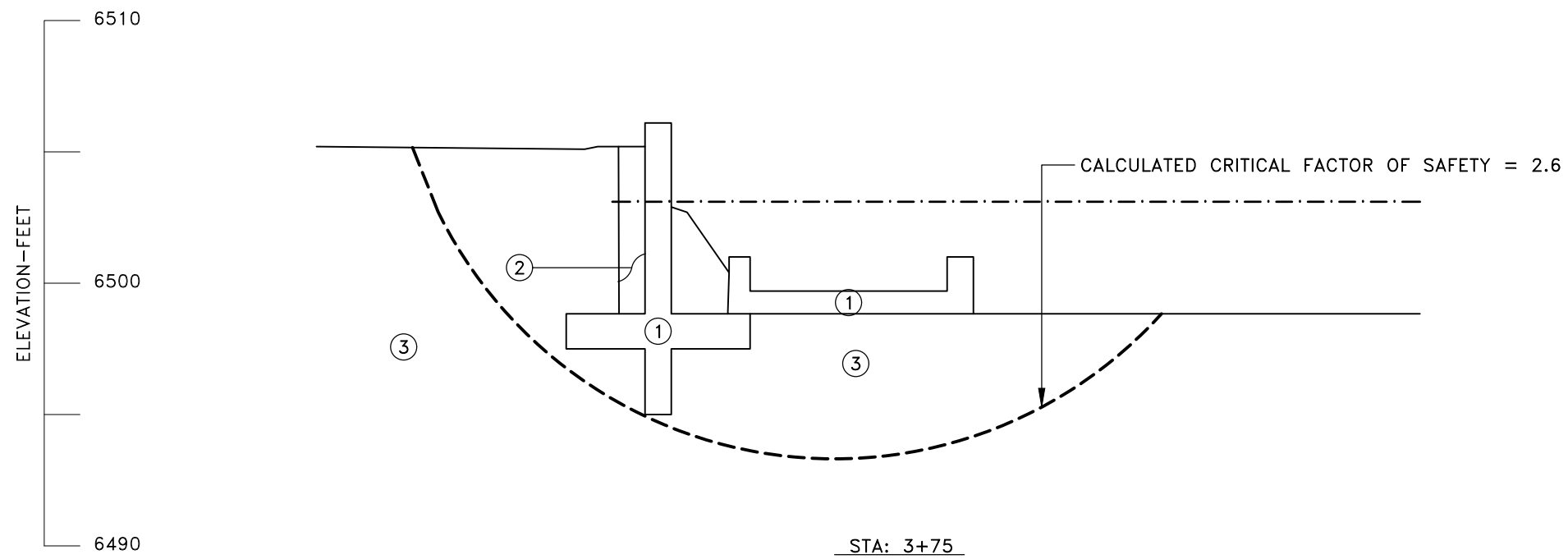


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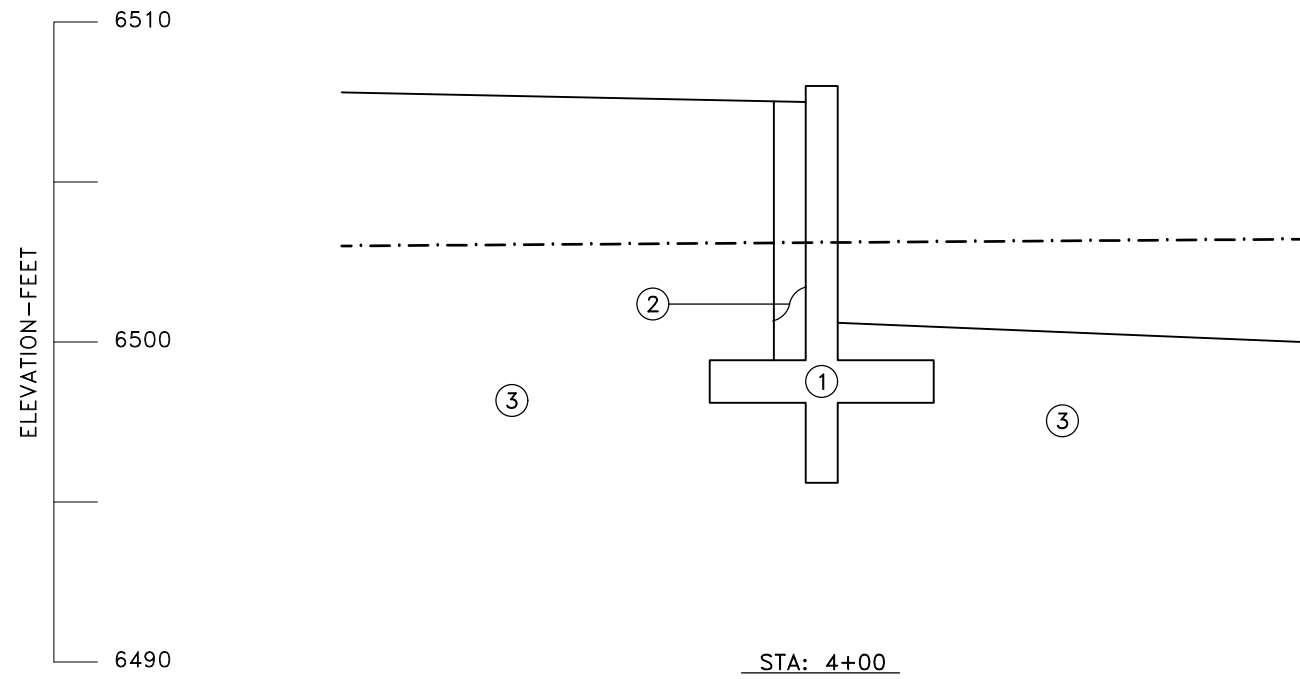
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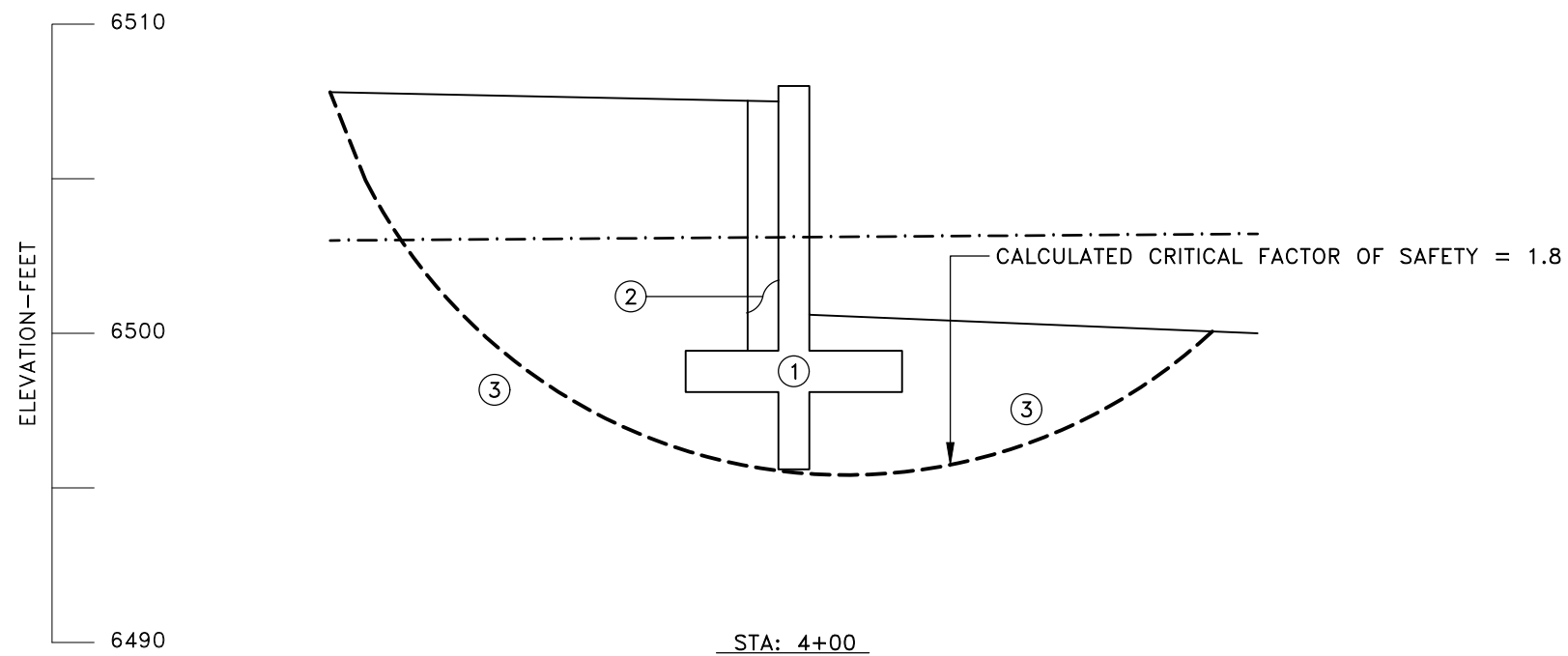


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