

Geotechnical Exploration Report

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UES is pleased to submit this Geotechnical Engineering Report for the referenced project. This report includes the results from the field exploration and laboratory testing program, along with recommendations for use in the preparation of the appropriate design and construction documents for this project.

UES appreciates the opportunity to provide this Geotechnical Engineering Report and looks forward to continuing participation during the design and construction phases of this project. UES also has great interest in providing construction services, including materials testing and inspection services during the construction of this project, and will be glad to meet with you to further discuss how we can be of assistance as the project advances.

If there are questions pertaining to this report, or if UES may be of further service, please contact us at your convenience.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

We have completed a geotechnical engineering study for the proposed drive-thru in Colorado Springs, CO. The purposes of this study have been to explore the existing soil, geologic, and groundwater conditions at the site, and to provide geologic hazards and geotechnical engineering conclusions and recommendations for use by the other members of the design team for design and construction of the proposed project. This report presents the results of our study.

1.1 AUTHORIZATION

Nova Geotechnical and Inspection Services dba UES, Consultant, has completed a field exploration and geotechnical evaluation for the Claremont Business Park 2 project. Ms. Brynhildr Halsten, representing Galloway and Company, authorized UES services on November 2, 2023, by signing UES Proposal No. 4430.1023.00002.

1.2 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

We understand the project will consist of the design and construction of a new slab-on-grade drive-thru commercial building. Review of a Site Plan drawing dated September 20, 2023, prepared by MS Civil Consultants, Inc. indicates the new MPR-cafeteria building will have an approximate area of 2200 square feet in plan area at the southern edge of the parcel.

Associated improvements will consist of new asphalt concrete parking areas, exterior concrete flatwork, and underground utilities. We anticipate the buildings will develop relatively light to moderate structural loads based on this type of construction.

A grading plan was not available when this report was prepared. However, based on existing site topography and our understanding of the proposed construction, we anticipate cuts and fills on the order of about one to two feet will be required to establish final subgrade levels across the site.

1.3 SCOPE OF WORK

Our scope of work included the following:

- Site reconnaissance
- Review of geologic maps and fault maps
- Subsurface exploration, including the drilling and sampling of two borings to depths ranging from approximately 10 to 21.5 feet below the ground surface (bgs).
- Laboratory testing of selected soil samples
- Engineering analyses
- Preparation of this report

1.4 FIGURES AND ATTACHMENTS

The following figures are included with this report:

- 1. Vicinity Map
- 2. Site Plan



- 3. Fault Map
- 4. Logs of Soil Borings
- 5. United Soil Classification System

Appended to this report are:

• General information regarding project concepts, exploratory methods used during our field investigation and laboratory test results not included on the Logs of Soil Borings (Appendix A)

2.0 SITE INFORMATION

2.1 SITE DESCRIPTION

The building site is located at an empty lot, located at the intersection of Meadowbrook Parkway and Marksheffel in Colorado Springs, CO (Figure 1). The lot is bounded to the north and west by Meadowbrook Parkway beyond which is another undeveloped plot; to the south by commercial developments; and east by Marksheffel Road.

At the time of our field explorations on November 20, 2023, the building site was located at the southern edge of the parcel. The plot was graded and lightly vegetated with some small spoil piles.

The topography of the site is relatively flat. The average surface elevation within the planned building areas is about 6,371 ft above mean sea level.

2.2 GEOLOGICAL SETTING

The project site is in Colorado Springs, CO which is in the Great Plains physiographic region, just east of the Southern Rocky Mountains. It is in east-central Colorado 70 miles south of Denver and is approximately 5,712 feet in elevation. Colorado Springs, CO is bound by the Palmer Divide to the north, the Front Mountain Range and Pikes Peak to the west, with high plains to the east and high desert to the south. The Rocky Mountains were uplifted by the Laramide Orogeny during the late Cretaceous geologic period. The surficial geology of the Colorado Springs area consists of Upper cretaceous bedrock covered by Quaternary coarse to fine grained alluvial and eolian deposits. The project site is located approximately 10 miles from the Ute Pass fault zone.

The geology of the USGS Geologic Map of the Elsmere Quadrangle, El Paso County Colorado which includes the subject site, shows the surficial geology of the job site as Younger eolian Sand (Mapped as Qes₁) dated to the middle or early Holocene. Qes₁ is described as "Pale brown to yellowish brown sand. Unit is chiefly very coarse and coarse sand deposited as sand sheets.".¹

The natural soils were covered with less than half a foot of uncontrolled fill. The natural soil is a pale brown to dark brown loose, coarse to fine grain sand in generally dry conditions. The laboratory test results, and boring log presented in the Appendix should be referred to for more detailed information.

¹ Madole, R.F. , Thorson, J.P., 2002, Geologic Map of the Elsmere Quadrangle, El Paso County, Colorado, Colorado Geological Survey, Open-File Report 02-02, 1:24,000.



2.3 SOIL SURVEY

The USDA Web Soil Survey, the onsite surficial soils are mapped as Ellicott loamy coarse sand, Blendon sandy loam, and Blakeland loamy sand. Loamy sands are approximately 85 percent sand and 10 percent silt. Sandy loam is 65 percent sand and 35 percent silt/clay which is what we saw in the boreholes.

2.4 SEISMIC DESIGN PARAMETERS

The 2022 Pikes Peak Regional Building Code references the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Standard 7-16 for seismic design. Based on the borings performed at the site and our experience in the local area, in our opinion the site can be designated as Site Class D in determining seismic design forces for this project.

The Site Class was estimated using geophysical exploration data and generalized soil characteristics given in Table 20.3-1 of ASCE Standard 7. Based on the results of our geophysical exploration, Site Class D may be used for determining seismic design criteria. The site is located at approximately the following latitude and longitude: 38.854, -104.684.

A search of the USGS Earthquake Hazards Program's ASCE 7-16 data, as published by the ASCE 7 Hazard Tool (https://asce7hazardtool.online/), indicated the following spectral acceleration parameters for the location indicated above and a Site Class D:

Period (sec)	N Spe Ac	lapped MCE ctral Response celeration (g)	Sit	Adjusted MCE _R Coefficients Spectral Response Acceleration (G)		Design Spectral Response Acceleration (g)		
0.2	Ss	0.19	\mathbf{F}_{a}	1.6	S _{Ms}	0.305	\mathbf{S}_{Ds}	0.203
1.0	S1	0.056	Fv	2.4	S _{M1}	0.135	S _{D1}	0.09

Table 2-1: Ground Motion Values

3.0 FIELD EXPLORATION & LABORATORY PROGRAM

3.1 FIELD ACTIVITIES

The scope of our services for this project included a subsurface exploration program. The subsurface exploration program consisted of drilling five (5) borings to depths of approximately 10 to 20 feet below existing site grades. The borings were logged during drilling by a graduate geologist and samples were obtained to aid in material classification and for possible laboratory testing. The approximate locations of the borings are shown on Figure No. 2, Site Plan. The locations of the boring were determined in the field by using a tablet GPS. The locations of the borings should be considered accurate only to the degree implied by the method used. Results of the boring are presented in Appendix A.

3.2 LAB PROGRAM

The soil samples collected in the field as part of our field exploration were transported to our lab. Laboratory tests were conducted to determine certain physical and chemical properties of the soils. Further discussion of the laboratory testing and the laboratory testing result will be discussed later in this report.



3.3 SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

Five (5) exploratory borings (BH-1 to BH-5) were performed on November 20, 2023, at the approximate locations shown on the attached Site Plan presented as Figure 2.

The soil conditions at the boring generally consisted of course to fine grained clayey sands to the explored depths of about 10 to 20 feet below existing site grades.

The soil conditions described above are generally consistent with the mapped geology. At the completion of our field explorations, the borings holes were filled with drill cuttings.

For specific information regarding the soil conditions at a specific exploration location, please refer to the Logs of Soil Borings, Figures 3 through 7.

3.4 GROUNDWATER

Groundwater was not encountered within the explored 21.5-foot depths of the borings performed on November 20, 2023.

To supplement the groundwater data, we reviewed available groundwater data published by the Colorado Department of Water Resources (DWR) from a monitoring well (SC01406518ACD T02-MW006) located about 2 miles southwest of the site. DWR has water levels of in the well from December 2019 to September 2020. Ground surface elevation at the well is indicated to be about 6273 feet above mean sea level which is about 100 feet lower than the subject property's elevation. Groundwater measurements at the DWR well are consistently around 50 feet below ground surface. Regional geologic references from the early part of the 20th century are typically used for "historic high" groundwater elevations. In the area of the site vicinity, these records indicate a depth of approximately 17 feet bgs².

3.4.1 Groundwater Effect on Development and Seasonal Water

Based on our subsurface exploration, experience at the site, and review of groundwater information near the site, the permanent groundwater table will not likely be a significant factor in construction for excavations extending less than 50 feet below the ground surface. However, it is possible that perched groundwater may be encountered in excavations if construction begins in the winter and early spring months. If groundwater is encountered, the use of sumps, submersible pumps, deep wells or a well point system could be used as methods to lower the groundwater level. The dewatering method used will depend on the soil conditions, depth of the excavation and amount of groundwater present within the excavation. Dewatering, if required, should be the contractor's responsibility. The dewatering system should be designed and constructed by a dewatering contractor with local experience. We recommend the selected dewatering system lower the groundwater level to at least two feet below the bottom of the proposed excavations.

Soils beneath existing pavements will likely be at an elevated moisture content regardless of the time of year and will require drying before compaction or use as fill. Such soils, intended for use as engineered fill, will require considerable aeration and/or drying to reach a moisture content that will permit the soils to be properly compacted.

² U.S. Geologic Survey, USGS Groundwater Data for Colorado, https://waterdata.usgs.gov/co/nwis/gw



3.5 CORROSION

3.5.1 Soil Corrosion Potential

One soil sample was tested to determine minimum resistivity, pH, chloride, and sulfate concentrations to help evaluate the potential for corrosive attack upon reinforced concrete and buried metal. The results of the corrosivity tests are summarized below in Table 3-1. Copies of the corrosion potential test results performed by ChemTech-Ford are presented in Figure A4.

Analita	Tast Mathad	Sample Identification
Analyte	lest Method	BH4 (5′)
Total Solids	CTF8000	89.1%
Resistivity	SSSA-10-3.3	164 Ω-m
Chloride	EPA 300.0	ND
Sulfate	EPA 300.0	ND

Table 3-1: Soil Corrosivity Testing Results

Notes: Ω -m = Ohm-meters; ppm = Parts per million; mg/kg = Milligrams per kilogram; ND = not detectable

A site is generally considered to be corrosive to foundation elements if one or more of the following conditions exists for the representative soil and/or water samples taken: has a chloride concentration greater than or equal to 500 ppm, sulfate concentration greater than or equal to 1500 ppm, or the pH is 5.5 or less. Based on this criterion, the on-site, near-surface soil is not considered unusually corrosive to steel reinforcement properly embedded within PCC for the samples tested.

Table 19.3.1.1 – Exposure Categories and Classes, of American Concrete Institute (ACI) 318-19, Section 19.3 – Concrete Durability Requirements, as referenced in Section 1904.1 of the 2022 CBC, indicates the severity of sulfate exposure for one of the samples tested is Exposure Class S0. Exposure Class S0 is assigned for conditions where the water-soluble sulfate concentration in contact with concrete is low and injurious sulfate attack is not a concern. The project Structural Engineer should review the requirements of ACI 318 and determine their applicability to the site.

UES are not corrosion engineers. Therefore, if it is desired to further define the soil corrosion potential at the site, a Corrosion Engineer should be consulted.

4.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 GEOTECHNICAL DISCUSSION

The recommendations in this report are based on assumed excavations and fills on the order of about one to two feet for the development of the site. We consider it essential that our office review grading and structural foundation plans to verify the applicability of the following recommendations, to verify that the intent of our recommendations has been incorporated into the construction documents, and to provide supplemental recommendations, if necessary.

Site preparation and grading should be accomplished in accordance with the provisions of this report and the project plans and specifications. A representative of the Geotechnical Engineer should be present during all earthwork operations to evaluate compliance with the recommendations included in this report



and to provide supplemental recommendations as needed during construction. The Geotechnical Engineer of Record referenced herein is the Geotechnical Engineer that is retained to provide geotechnical engineering observation and testing services during construction.

Based on our field and laboratory test results, it is our opinion that firm, undisturbed native soils will be capable of supporting the proposed improvements provided the further recommendations regarding site preparation and soils compaction are followed. Our work also indicates that engineered fill, properly placed and compacted in accordance with the recommendations of this report, will be capable of supporting the proposed structures and pavements, if applicable.

An important aspect of site development will be the adequate clearing of existing surface and subsurface features associated with the existing structures, the proper backfilling of depressions created by structure removal, and uniform compaction of all disturbed soils. During demolition we anticipate that the upper one to two feet of near-surface soils will become disturbed. Thorough compaction of the upper soils will be crucial to providing uniform support of the planned structures and pavements, if applicable.

4.2 SITE PREPARATION

Prior to grading, existing improvements designated for removal should be demolished and construction areas cleared of surface and sub-subsurface structures associated with previous site development, if any, to expose firm and stable soils, as determined by the Geotechnical Engineer's representative. The area of removal should extend at least five feet beyond all exterior foundations and adjacent flatwork, where practical. Demolition debris should be removed from the site or used as engineered fill, provided the debris is in accordance with the criteria included in the Engineered Fill Construction section of this report.

Existing underground utilities within the proposed building pads should be completely removed and/or rerouted as necessary. Any existing underground utilities designated to be removed or relocated should include all trench backfill and be replaced with engineered fill. Utilities located outside the building areas should be properly abandoned (i.e., fully grouted provided the abandoned utility is situated at least 2½ feet below the final subgrade level to reduce the potential for localized "hard spots").

Existing pavements and flatwork (asphalt concrete and concrete) that are not incorporated into the new design should be broken up and removed from the site. Alternatively, pulverized asphalt and Portland cement concrete rubble may be used as fill provided it is processed into fragments less than three inches in largest dimension, is mixed with soil to form a compactable mixture, and approved by the Owner.

Difficulty in achieving subgrade compaction or unusual soil instability may be indications of loose fill associated with past subsurface items (although not encountered during our subsurface exploration) such as underground storage tanks (USTs), dump pits, utility lines, etc. Should these conditions exist, the materials should be excavated to check for subsurface structures and the excavations backfilled with engineered fill in accordance with the recommendations included in this report. We recommend that construction bid documents include a unit price (per cubic yard) for all additional excavation required to remove unanticipated materials, as determined by the Geotechnical Engineer's representative, and replaced with engineered fill.

Depressions resulting from removal of the above items, as well as any loose, soft, or saturated soils should be cleaned out to firm native soil and backfilled with engineered fill in accordance with the recommendations in this report. It is important that the Geotechnical Engineer's representative be present



on a periodic basis during clearing operations to verify adequate removal of the surface and subsurface items, as well as the proper backfilling of resulting excavations.

4.3 EARTHWORK

4.3.1 Subgrade Preparation

Following site clearing activities, areas designated to receive fill, at-grade areas, or those achieved by excavation should be scarified to a depth of at least 12 inches, moisture conditioned to at least the optimum moisture content and compacted to not less than 95 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D1557.

The upper 12 inches of final subgrade for the interior concrete slabs and exterior flatwork should consist of imported compactable, non-expansive (Expansion Index < 20) granular soils. All soils supporting interior and exterior slab-on-grade concrete should be uniformly compacted to at least 95 percent of the ASTM D1557 maximum dry density.

Difficulty in achieving the recommended compaction may require drying the near-surface subgrade to a compactable moisture content, removal, and replacement, and/or the use of a layer of geogrid reinforcement (Tensar BX1100, Tensar TX140, Mirafi 5XT, or equivalent). Recommendations to achieve the recommended compaction can be made during construction and will depend on the conditions encountered in the field and other factors, such as project schedule and prevailing weather conditions.

Compaction of all subgrade soils should be performed using a heavy, self-propelled, sheepsfoot compactor capable of achieving the required compaction and must be performed in the presence of the Geotechnical Engineer's representative who will evaluate the performance of subgrade under compactive load. Difficulty in achieving subgrade compaction may be an indication of loose, soft or unstable soil conditions that could require additional excavation. If these conditions exist, additional subgrade stabilization recommendations may be required at the time of construction.

4.3.2 Engineered Fill Construction

On-site soils are considered suitable for use in engineered fill construction, if they do not contain significant concentrations of organic materials, rubble debris, or particles greater than six inches in maximum dimension. Imported fill materials, if required, should be granular, compactable materials with a Plasticity Index of 15 or less when tested in accordance with ASTM D4318; an Expansion Index of 20 or less when tested in accordance with ASTM D4829; an organic content less than four percent; do not contain particles greater than six inches in maximum dimension, and be within a compactable moisture content.

Imported fill should be observed and approved by the Geotechnical Engineer at least three business days prior to being transported to the site. Also, if import fills are required (other than aggregate base), the contractor must provide appropriate documentation that the import is clean of known contamination and within acceptable corrosion limits.

Engineered fill should be placed in lifts not exceeding eight inches in compacted thickness with each lift being uniformly moisture conditioned to at least the optimum moisture content and compacted to not less than 95 percent of the maximum dry density per ASTM D1557.



The upper six inches of pavement subgrade should be moisture conditioned to at least the optimum moisture content and compacted to no less than 95 percent relative compaction, regardless of whether final subgrade is achieved by excavation, filling or left at existing grade. Final pavement subgrade processing and compaction should be performed after completion of underground utilities and must be stable under construction traffic prior to aggregate base placement.

Permanent excavation and fill slopes should be constructed no steeper than two horizontals to one vertical (2H:1V) and should be vegetated as soon as practical following grading to minimize erosion. As a minimum, the following erosion control measures should be considered: placement of straw bale sediment barriers or construction of silt filter fences in areas where surface run-off may be concentrated. Slopes should be over-built and cut back to design grades and inclinations. The final decision of erosion control measures should be made by the Project Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan Engineer.

All earthwork operations should be accomplished in accordance with the recommendations contained within this report. We recommend the Geotechnical Engineer's representative be present on a regular basis during all earthwork operations to observe and test the engineered fill and to verify compliance with the recommendations of this report and the project plans and specifications.

Table 4-1. compaction criteria and resting frequency							
		Per Modified Proctor Test (ASTM D1557)					
Material Type (location)	Minimum	Moisture Co	ontent Range	Testing Frequency			
	(%)		(%) Compaction (%) Minimum		Maximum	(min. 3 per lift)	
Engineered Fill	95	-2%	+2%	1 per 2,500 sf			
Subgrade	95	-2%	+2%	1 per 5,000 sf			
Aggregate base (pavements)	95	-3%	+3%	1 per 5,000 sf			

Table 4-1: Compaction Criteria and Testing Frequency

4.3.3 On-site Soil Suitability for Use in Fill Construction

The on-site soils encountered in our borings are considered suitable for use in engineered fill construction, provided these materials do not contain rubble, rubbish, significant organic concentrations, and are at a workable moisture content appropriate for compaction. However, near-surface clays should not be used within the upper 12 inches of the final subgrade within interior and exterior slab-on-grade improvements. Imported materials, if necessary, should be granular and approved by our office prior to importing the materials to the site.

Existing pavements and flatwork (asphalt concrete and/or concrete), if any, within areas to be demolished may be broken up and pulverized for use as fill. Asphalt and Portland cement concrete rubble may be used as fill provided it is processed into fragments less than three inches in largest dimension, is mixed with soil to form a compactable mixture.

Clean aggregate base materials recovered during site clearing also may be used in engineered fill construction.



4.4 EXCAVATIONS

4.4.1 Excavation Conditions

The surface and near-surface soils at the site should be readily excavatable with conventional earthmoving and trenching equipment. Subsurface remnants from existing and/or previous development of the site, if any, may be encountered.

Based on our borings, excavations associated with building foundations, shallow trenches for utilities, and other excavations less than five feet deep associated with the proposed construction, should stand vertically for short periods of time (i.e., less than one day) required for construction, unless cohesionless, saturated or disturbed soils are encountered. These unstable conditions may result in caving or sloughing; therefore, the contractor should be prepared to brace or shore the excavations, if necessary.

Excavations deeper than five feet that will be entered by workers should be sloped, braced, or shored in accordance with current OSHA regulations. The contractor must provide an adequately constructed and braced shoring system in accordance with federal, state, and local safety regulations for individuals working in an excavation that may expose them to the danger of moving ground.

Temporarily sloped excavations should be constructed no steeper than a one horizontal to one vertical (1H:1V) inclination. Temporary slopes likely will stand at this inclination for the short-term duration of construction, provided significant pockets of loose and/or saturated granular soils are not encountered. Flatter slopes would be required if these conditions are encountered.

Excavated materials should not be stockpiled directly adjacent to an open excavation to prevent surcharge loading of the excavation sidewalls. Excessive truck and equipment traffic should be avoided near excavations. If material is stored or heavy equipment is stationed and/or operated near an excavation, a shoring system must be designed to resist the additional pressure due to the superimposed loads.

4.4.2 Utility Trench Backfill

Utility trench backfill should be mechanically compacted as engineered fill in accordance with the following recommendations. Bedding and initial backfill around and over the pipe should conform to the pipe manufacturers recommendations for the pipe materials selected and applicable sections of the governing agency standards.

Utility trench backfill should be placed in thin lifts, thoroughly moisture conditioned to at least the optimum moisture content and compacted to at least 90 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D1557. The lift thickness will depend on the type of compaction equipment used to backfill utility trenches.

Within the upper six inches of untreated pavement subgrade soils, compaction should be increased to at least 95 percent relative compaction at no less than two percent above the optimum moisture content.

We recommend that all underground utility trenches aligned nearly parallel with new foundations be at least three feet from the outer edge of foundations, wherever possible. Trenches should not encroach into the zone extending outward at a one horizontal to one vertical (1H:1V) inclination below the bottom of foundations. The intent of these recommendations is to prevent loss of both lateral and vertical support of foundations, resulting in possible settlement.



4.5 FOUNDATIONS

Based on the subsurface conditions encountered at the boring locations, the proposed building structures may be supported on deepened conventional foundations with a conventional interior slab-on-grade supported on at least 12 inches of non-expansive engineered fill and/or chemically treated native clay soils.

4.5.1 Shallow Foundations

Conventional continuous perimeter foundations and isolated interior spread foundations should be embedded at least 18 inches below lowest adjacent soil grade. Continuous foundations should be at least 12 inches wide; isolated spread foundations should be at least 18 inches in plan dimension. Foundations so established may be sized based upon an allowable bearing capacity of 3000 psf for dead load plus live loads, with a 1/3 increase to include the short-term effects of seismic or wind forces. The weight of foundation concrete extending below lowest adjacent soil grade may be disregarded in sizing computations.

We recommend that all foundations be adequately reinforced to provide structural continuity, mitigate cracking, and permit spanning of local soil irregularities. The structural engineer or civil engineering consultant should determine final foundation reinforcing requirements.

Resistance to lateral displacement of shallow foundations may be computed using an allowable friction factor of 0.25 multiplied by the effective vertical load on each foundation. Additional lateral resistance may be achieved using an allowable passive earth pressure against the vertical projection of the foundation equal to an equivalent fluid pressure of 250 psf per foot of depth. These two modes of resistance should not be added unless the frictional component is reduced by 50 percent since mobilization of the passive resistance requires some horizontal movement, effectively reducing the frictional resistance.

We estimate total settlement for shallow foundations using the recommended maximum net allowable bearing pressure and allowable capacities presented above, will be less than ¾ inch. Differential settlements may be as much as ½ total settlement within 50 feet or the least dimension of the structure, whichever is less. The settlement estimates are based on the available soil information, our experience with similar structures and soil conditions, and field verification of suitable bearing soils during foundation construction.

4.6 INTERIOR FLOOR SLAB

Interior concrete slab-on-grade floors can be supported upon the soil subgrade prepared in accordance with the recommendations in this report and maintained in that condition (optimum moisture) and are protected from disturbance. Slabs-on-grade should be at least four inches thick, and final thickness, reinforcement and joint spacing should be determined by the slab designer. Proper and consistent location of the reinforcement near mid-slab is essential to its performance. The risk of uncontrolled shrinkage cracking is increased if the reinforcement is not properly located within the slab.

Interior floor slabs should be underlain by a layer of free-draining gravel/crushed rock, serving as a deterrent to migration of capillary moisture. The gravel/crushed rock layer should be between four and six inches thick and graded such that 100 percent passes a one-inch sieve and less than five percent passes a



No. 4 sieve. Additional moisture protection may be provided by placing a plastic, water vapor retarder (at least 10-mils thick) directly over the gravel/crushed rock. The water vapor retarder should meet or exceed the minimum specifications for plastic water vapor retarders as outlined in ASTM E1745 and be installed in strict conformance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

The recommendations presented above are intended to reduce significant soils-related cracking of slabon-grade floors. Also important to the performance and appearance of a PCC slab is the quality of the concrete, the workmanship of the concrete contractor, the curing techniques utilized and the spacing of control joints.

It is considered likely that floor slab subgrade soils will become wet to near saturated at some time during the life of structures. This is a certainty when slabs are constructed during the wet seasons, or when constantly wet ground or poor drainage conditions exist adjacent to structures. For this reason, it should be assumed that interior slabs intended for moisture-sensitive floor coverings or materials, require protection against moisture or moisture vapor penetration. Standard practice includes the gravel/crushed rock and vapor retarder as suggested above. However, the gravel/crushed rock and plastic membrane offer only a limited, first line of defense against soil-related moisture; they do not moisture-proof the slab. Recommendations contained in this report concerning foundation and floor slab design are presented as minimum requirements, only from the geotechnical engineering standpoint.

It is emphasized that the use of gravel/crushed rock and plastic membrane below the slab will not "moisture proof" the slab, nor does it assure that slab moisture transmission levels will be low enough to prevent damage to floor coverings or other building components. If increased protection against moisture vapor penetration of slabs is desired, a concrete moisture protection specialist should be consulted. The design team should consider all available measures for slab moisture protection. It is commonly accepted that maintaining the lowest practical water-cement ratio in the slab concrete is one of the most effective ways to reduce future moisture vapor penetration of the completed slabs.

4.7 EXTERIOR FLATWORK CONSTRUCTION

The upper 12 inches of final soil subgrade for exterior concrete flatwork areas should consist of approved, compactable, very low-expansive (Expansion Index \leq 20), granular soils placed and compacted in accordance with the Engineered Fill Construction recommendations included in this report. Exterior flatwork subgrade soils should be maintained in a moist condition and protected from disturbance. Exterior flatwork should be underlain by at least four inches of Class 2 aggregate base compacted to at least 95 percent relative compaction. The aggregate base can be included in the 12 inches of very-low expansive granular soils, or the very-low expansive layer can be completely composed off Class 2 aggregate base.

Proper moisture conditioning of the subgrade soils is considered important to the performance of exterior flatwork. Expansion joints should be provided to allow for minor vertical movement of the flatwork. Exterior flatwork should be constructed independent of the perimeter building foundation and isolated column foundations by the placement of a layer of felt material between the flatwork and the foundation.

Exterior flatwork concrete should be at least four inches thick in pedestrian traffic areas and underlain by at least four inches of aggregate base compacted to at least 95 percent of the ASTM D1557 maximum dry density.



Consideration should be given to thickening the edges of the slabs at least twice the slab thickness where wheel traffic is expected over the slabs. Expansion joints should be provided to allow for minor vertical movement of the flatwork. Exterior flatwork should be constructed independent of other structural elements by the placement of a layer of felt material between the flatwork and the structural element. The slab designer should determine the final thickness, strength and joint spacing of exterior slab-on-grade concrete. The slab designer should also determine if slab reinforcement for crack control is required and determine final slab reinforcing requirements.

Our recommendations are intended to reduce the effects of variable soil subgrade conditions in exterior concrete flatwork areas. However, some seasonal movement of exterior flatwork should be anticipated where flatwork is adjacent to landscape areas.

Areas adjacent to the new exterior flatwork should be landscaped to maintain more uniform soil moisture conditions adjacent to and beneath flatwork. We recommend final landscaping plans not allow fallow ground adjacent to exterior concrete flatwork.

4.8 DRAINAGE CONSIDERATIONS

Final site grading should be accomplished to provide positive drainage of surface water away from buildings and prevent ponding of water adjacent to foundations or slabs. Subgrades adjacent to buildings should be sloped away from foundations at a minimum two percent gradient for at least 10 feet, where possible.

We recommend connecting all roof drains to solid pipes which are connected to available drainage features to convey water away from the structures, or discharging the drains onto paved, or hard surfaces that slope away from the foundations. Discharging or ponding of surface water should not be allowed adjacent to buildings, exterior flatwork or onto slope surfaces. Landscape berms, if planned, should not be constructed in such a manner as to promote drainage toward buildings.

4.9 **RETAINING WALLS**

For soils above any free water surface, with level backfill and no surcharge loads, we recommend the following equivalent fluid pressures and coefficient of friction:

SOIL PARAMETER	VALUE
Soil Unit Weight	120 pcf
Internal Angle of Friction	30°
Cohesion	0 psf
Coefficient of Friction	0.35



LOADING CONDITION	LATEF COE	RAL EARTH FFICIENT	EQUIVALENT FLUID PRESSURES (PCF)
	K ₀	.50	60
Horizontal backfill	Ka	.33	40
	Kp	3.00	360

Notes:

- 1. The above values <u>do not include a factor of safety</u>. The designer should employ an adequate factor of safety
- 2. The above values assume no hydrostatic pressure.
- 3. Active pressure assumes unrestrained (cantilever) wall and assumes no loading from heavy compaction equipment.
- 4. Passive pressure should not exceed a maximum of [_____] psf. A one-third increase may be used for wind or seismic loads.
- 5. The passive pressure and the frictional resistance of the soils may be combined without reduction in determining the total lateral resistance.
- 6. Passive earth pressures should be considered negligible for block or retaining walls within 5-feet of a descending slope.

If required by the 2018 IBC, the lateral seismic pressure acting on an unrestrained wall can be estimated by the method presented in the following equation, where the dynamic (seismic) lateral thrust, Δ PAE, per linear foot of wall may be determined as follows:

$\Delta P_{AE} = \frac{3}{8}(k_h)H^2\gamma$

- k_h is equal to $S_{DS}/2.5$
- H is the height of the wall in feet
- γ is equal to the unit weight of the backfill material, in pcf

The resultant dynamic force acts at 0.6H above the base of the wall. This equation applies to level backfill and walls that retain no more than 15 feet.

Where the design includes unrestrained walls, above any free water, with level backfill and no surcharge loads, we recommend the wall be designed to resist an earth pressure with the distribution shown below:



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Any surcharge from adjacent loadings should be added to the retaining wall pressures using the Ka factor for non-restrained walls. Ka is presented in the table above. As indicated, the pressures assume that there will be no build-up of hydrostatic pressure. Therefore, if walls will be subject to saturated conditions, we recommend weep holes (if practical) and a wall drainage system. The wall drainage may consist of a minimum of 2 cubic feet of drain rock per foot of length of retaining wall wrapped in filter fabric, Mirafi 140N or equivalent, placed at the base of the wall and discharge to an appropriate outlet. Drain rock should consist of clean, uniformly sized gravel, ¾-inch in nominal size. Alternatively, a drainage system including perforated pipe with filter sock placed within the drain rock is also acceptable. The structural fill immediately behind retaining walls (6 to 12 inches) should be granular and free draining. The upper 2 feet of backfill should consist of compacted native soils. As an option, a prefabricated drain may be used behind walls. The wall drainage system is an integral part of the retaining wall design. The retaining wall designer is ultimately responsible for the retaining wall design and shall ensure that the above recommended drainage system is compatible with the design of the wall or select a different drainage system at their discretion. All walls below grade should be waterproof or at least dampproof.

Fill against foundations, grade beams and retaining walls should be properly placed and compacted. Backfill should be mechanically compacted in layers (12 inches maximum thickness); flooding should not be permitted. Backfill within a lateral distance equal to the height of retaining walls should be compacted to at least 90 percent of the maximum dry density obtainable by the ASTM D1557 method. The backfill materials within this zone should consist of none to low expansive soils. If expansive soils are used within this backfill zone, the wall should be designed to resist the additional pressure that may be exerted by the expansive soils. Backfill outside this zone should be compacted as outlined in the Fill Placement and Compaction section of this report. Care should be taken when placing backfill so as not to damage the walls. Compaction of each lift adjacent to walls should be accomplished with hand-operated tampers or other lightweight compactors. Over-compaction may cause excessive lateral earth pressures which could result in wall movements. Retaining walls should not be backfilled until the concrete or masonry has reached an adequate strength as specified by the wall designer.



4.10 PAVEMENT DESIGN

Based on soil classification of the soils present at the site, we used an assumed Resistance ("R") value of 40 for pavement subgrades. Pavement sections presented in Table 4-2 have been calculated using the above R-values and traffic indices (TIs) assumed to be appropriate for this project.

Troffie		5	On-Site Soils R-value = 50	
Index (TI)	Pavement Use	Type A Asphalt Concrete (inches)	Portland Cement Concrete (inches)	Aggregate Base (inches)
4 5	Automobile Parking	2½	-	4
4.5	Only		4	4
	Automobile, Light to	21⁄2		8
6.0	Moderate Truck Traffic,	3½		6
	and Fire Lanes	-	5	5
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7.0	Trash Enclosures,	4		7
	Entryways		5	6

Table 4-2: Pavement Design Alternatives	
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We emphasize that the performance of pavements is critically dependent upon uniform and adequate compaction of the soil subgrade, as well as all engineered fill and utility trench backfill within the limits of the pavements. We recommend that pavement subgrade preparation (i.e., scarification, moisture conditioning and compaction) be performed after underground utility construction is completed and just prior to aggregate base placement. The upper six inches of untreated pavement subgrade soils and should be compacted to at least 95 percent relative compaction at the optimum moisture content. All aggregate base should be compacted to at least 95 percent of the ASTM D1557 maximum dry density.

In the summer heat, high axle loads coupled with shear stresses induced by sharply turning tire movements can lead to failure in asphalt concrete pavements. Therefore, we recommend that consideration be given to using the Portland cement concrete (PCC) pavements in areas subjected to concentrated heavy wheel loading, such as truck turning areas and in front of trash enclosures.

We suggest the concrete slabs be constructed with thickened edges in accordance with ACI design standards. Reinforcing for crack control, if desired, should consist of No. 4 reinforcing bars placed on maximum 24-inch centers each way throughout the slab. Reinforcement must be located at mid-slab depth to be effective. Joint spacing and details should conform with the current PCA or ACI guidelines. Portland cement concrete should achieve a minimum compressive strength of 3500 pounds per square inch at 28 days.



Pavement subgrades must be stable and unyielding under heavy wheel loads of construction equipment. A proof-roll test using a fully loaded water truck should be performed prior to placement of aggregate base to help identify areas that are unstable, as observed by our representative. Areas that are found to be unstable should be excavated to firm, undisturbed materials and restored to grade with compacted aggregate base.

Materials quality and construction within the structural section of the pavement should conform to the applicable provisions of the latest edition of the Caltrans Standard Specifications.

It has been our experience that pavement failures may occur where a non-uniform or disturbed subgrade soil condition is created. Subgrade disturbances can result if pavement subgrade preparation is performed prior to underground utility construction and/or if a significant time passes between subgrade preparation and placement of aggregate base. Therefore, we recommend that final pavement subgrade preparation (i.e., scarification, moisture conditioning, and compaction) be performed just prior to aggregate base placement.

4.11 PLAN REVIEW

We recommend that our firm be retained to review the final plans and specifications to determine if the intent of our recommendations has been implemented in those documents. We would be pleased to submit a proposal to provide these services upon request.

4.12 CONSTRUCTION ITEMS

5.0 GEOTECHNICAL RISK AND LIMITATIONS

Our recommendations are based upon the information provided regarding the proposed construction, combined with our analysis of site conditions revealed by the field exploration and laboratory testing programs. We have used prudent engineering and geologic judgment based upon the information provided and the data generated from our investigation. This report has been prepared in substantial compliance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering practices that existed around the project at the time the report was prepared. No warranty, either express or implied, is provided.

If the proposed construction is modified or relocated or, if it is found during construction that subsurface conditions differ from those we encountered at our boring and/or CPT locations, we should be afforded the opportunity to review the new information or changed conditions to determine if our conclusions and recommendations must be modified.

We emphasize that this report is applicable only to the proposed construction and the investigated site. This report should not be utilized for construction on any other site. This report is considered valid for the proposed construction for a period of two years following the date of this report. If construction has not started within two years, we must re-evaluate the recommendations of this report and update the report, if necessary.



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FINE GRAINED SOILS	SILTS AND CLAYS		LIQUID LIMIT LESS THAN 50		CL	INORG MEDIU Clays Lean	ANIC CLAYS OF LOW TO IM PLASTICITY, GRAVELLY 5, SANDY CLAYS, SILTY CLAYS, CLAYS	
					OL	ORGANIC SILTS AND ORGANIC SILTY Clays of Low plasticity		
MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS SMALLER THAN NO. 200 SIEVE					МН	INORG DIATO SOILS	ANIC SILTS, MICACEOUS OR Maceous fine sand or silty	
SIZE	SILTS AND CLAYS		LIQUID LIMIT GREATER THAN 50		СН	INORGANIC CLAYS OF HIGH Plasticity		
					ОН	ORGANIC CLAYS OF MEDIUM TO HIGH PLASTICITY, ORGANIC SILTS		
	S	<u> </u>	PT	PEAT, HUMUS, SWAMP SOILS WITH HIGH ORGANIC CONTENTS				
		CLIENT	:				Materials	
	SAL		Utah	DFCM			Classification	
SCIEN		PROJEC	HMHI Trans	slational R Facility	esearch		PROJECT NO.: PLATE NO.: 4430.2200005	



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APPENDIX A

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Moisture and Unit Weight Determination



ASTM D2937 / D2216

Project: Claremont Business Park 2 No: 4430.2300022 (23-1733)

Location: -

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	Sample:	BH5-7.5			
fo	Depth:	7.5 ft			
-	Date Sampled:	-			
hple	Date tested:	28-Nov-23	 		
an		dk yl bn - lt			
0)	Laboratory sample description:	bn sand			
	0°	3.949			
	Sample height, Hi (in) 120°	3.944			
	240°	3.916			
	Avg. height, Havg (in)	3.936			
ata	Sample diameter Di top	2.392			
t da	(in) mid	2.394			
ghi	(III) bot	2.395			
vei	Average diameter, Davg (in)	2.394			
it	Wt. rings + wet soil (g)	690.37			
ے ا	Wt. rings (g)	169.37			
	Wet soil, Ws (g)	521.00			
	Sample volume, V (in^3)	17.7			
	Sample volume, V (cm^3)	290.3			
	Sample volume, V (ft^3)	0.0103			
ē	Wet soil + tare (g)	634.56	 	 	
stu	Dry soil + tare (g)	570.35	 	 	
<u>10i</u>	Tare (g)	116.32			
2	Moisture content, w (%)	14.1			
	Gs, estimated	2.65			
	Mass total (g)	521.0			
	Mass of solids (g)	456.4			
s	Volume (cm^3)	290.3			
hip	Volume of water (cm ³)	64.6			
nsl	Volume of solids (cm^3)	172.2			
atio	Volume of voids (cm^3)	118.1	 		
<u>e</u>	Volume of air (cm^3)	53.5	 	 	
UL O	Void ratio, e	0.685	 	 	
as	Porosity, n	0.407	 		
Р	Volumetric moisture, I	0.222	 		
	Saturation, S (%)	54.68	 		
	Dry density (gm/cm^3)	1.572			
	Wet unit wt., gm (pcf)	112.0			
<u> </u>	Dry unit wt., gd (pcf)	98.2	 		
A	Tested By:	JC			
5 0	Reduced By:	JC	 		
Ø	Reviewed By:	AT			

Comments:

One-Dimensional Consolidation Properties of Soils *After ASTM D2435 and USBR 5700*



Project: Claremont Business Park 2 No: 4430.2300022 (23-1733)

No: 4430.2 Location: -

Date: 28-Nov-23

Tested by: JC Reduced by: JC Checked by: AT

Comments:

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TH/TP/Sample: BH5-7.5 Depth: 7.5 ft

Laboratory sample description: dk yl bn - lt bn sand USCS classification: not requested

Sample type: Rel. undisturbed, Ring sample

Inundation stress (psf): 100, beginning

Swell pressure (psf): <100 Test method: B

Preparation procedure: trimmed

Phase Relationships			Vertical Stress - Deformation Results						
			Vert.	Corr.				Load	
			stress	Dial, dfc		Vert.	Void	duration	
	Initial	Final	(psf)	^a (in)	Hc ^b (in)	strain, ev	ratio, e	(min)	
0°	1.001	-	Seating	0.0000	1.0015	0.0000	0.6650	0	
Height, H 90°	1.004	-	100	0.0001	1.0014	0.0001	0.6649	120	
(in) 180°	1.002	-	200	0.0022	0.9993	0.0022	0.6614	50	
270°	0.999	-	400	0.0052	0.9963	0.0052	0.6563	41	
Avg Height, Havg (in)	1.002	0.936	800	0.0104	0.9911	0.0104	0.6478	241	
Height, H (cm)	2.544	2.376	1,600	0.0158	0.9857	0.0158	0.6387	42	
$Dia D(in) = 0^{\circ}$	2.396	-	3,200	0.0235	0.9780	0.0235	0.6260	480	
90°	2.397	-	6,400	0.0308	0.9707	0.0307	0.6139	71	
Avg Dia., Davg (in)	2.397	2.397	12,800	0.0406	0.9609	0.0405	0.5975	133	
Dia., D (cm)	6.087	6.087	25,600	0.0555	0.9460	0.0555	0.5727	59	
Wt. rings + wet soil (g)	182.77	183.63	51,200	0.0774	0.9241	0.0773	0.5364	73	
Wt. rings (g)	42.42	42.42	25,600	0.0756	0.9259	0.0755	0.5394	56	
Wet soil + tare (g)	342.69	338.17	6,400	0.0715	0.9300	0.0714	0.5462	31	
Dry soil + tare (g)	321.71	316.71	1,600	0.0660	0.9355	0.0659	0.5554	200	
Tare (g)	197.69	197.36							
Moisture cont., w (%)	16.9	18.0							
Gs, assumed	2.70	2.70							
Mass total (g)	140.4	141.2							
Mass of solids (g)	120.0	120.0							
Volume (cm ³)	74.0	69.2							
Vol. of water (cm ³)	20.3	21.2							
Vol. of solids (cm ³)	44.5	44.5							
Vol. of voids (cm ³)	29.6	24.7							
Vol. of air (cm^3)	9.3	3.5							
Area, A (cm^2)	29.1	29.1							
Ht. solids, Hs (cm)	1.528	1.528							
Void ratio, e	0.665	0.555							
Porosity, n	0.399	0.357							
Vol.moisture, T	0.274	0.306							
Saturation, S (%)	69	86							
Dry density (gm/cm^3)	1.622	1.736							
Wet unit wt., gm (pcf)	118.4	127.9							
Dry unit wt., gd (pcf)	101.2	108.4							
Data Interpretation Summ	Data Interpretation Summary								
Preconsolidation stress	s, s'p (psf)								
Compression ratio, CR			To be dete	rmined by	the Geote	chnical En	gineer		
Recompression	ratio, RR								
Notes:									

^a Dfc = end of increment deformation corrected for machine, porous stone, and filter paper deformation

^b Hc = height at end of consolidation of each vert. stress

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TH/TP/Sample: BH5-7.5







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	<u>Result</u>	<u>Units</u>	Minimum Reporting <u>Limit</u>	<u>Method</u>	<u>Preparation</u> <u>Date/Time</u>	<u>Analysis</u> Date/Time	<u>Flag(s)</u>		
Inorganic									
Chloride, Soluble (IC)	ND	mg/kg dry	11	EPA 300.0	11/30/23	11/30/23			
Resistivity	164	ohm m	1.0	SSSA 10-3.3	11/28/23	11/28/23			
Sulfate, Soluble (IC)	ND	mg/kg dry	11	EPA 300.0	11/30/23	11/30/23			
Total Solids	89.1	%	0.1	CTF8000	11/28/23	11/29/23			



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Report Footnotes

Abbreviations

ND = Not detected at the corresponding Minimum Reporting Limit (MRL).

1 mg/L = one milligram per liter or 1 mg/kg = one milligram per kilogram = 1 part per million.

1 ug/L = one microgram per liter or 1 ug/kg = one microgram per kilogram = 1 part per billion.

1 ng/L = one nanogram per liter or 1 ng/kg = one nanogram per kilogram = 1 part per trillion.

On calculated parameters, there may be a slight difference between summing the rounded values shown on the report

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