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SOIL DESCRIPTION										GRADATION									
SOIL IS CONSIDERED UNCONSOLIDATED, SEMI-CONSOLIDATED, OR WEATHERED EARTH MATERIALS THAT CAN BE PENETRATED WITH A CONTINUOUS FLIGHT POWER AUGER AND YIELD LESS THAN 100 BLOWS PER FOOT ACCORDING TO THE STANDARD PENETRATION TEST (ASTM D 1586). SOIL CLASSIFICATION IS BASED ON THE AASHTO SYSTEM. BASIC DESCRIPTIONS GENERALLY INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: CONSISTENCY, COLOR, TEXTURE, MOISTURE, AASHTO CLASSIFICATION, AND OTHER PERTINENT FACTORS SUCH AS MINERALOGICAL COMPOSITION, ANGULARITY, STRUCTURE, PLASTICITY, ETC. FOR EXAMPLE, VERY STIFF, GRAY, SILTY CLAY, MOIST WITH INTERBEDDED FINE SAND LAYERS, HIGHLY PLASTIC, A-7-6										WELL GRADED - INDICATES A GOOD REPRESENTATION OF PARTICLE SIZES FROM FINE TO COARSE. UNIFORMLY GRADED - INDICATES THAT SOIL PARTICLES ARE ALL APPROXIMATELY THE SAME SIZE. GAP-GRADED - INDICATES A MIXTURE OF UNIFORM PARTICLE SIZES OF TWO OR MORE SIZES.									
SOIL LEGEND AND AASHTO CLASSIFICATION										ANGULARITY OF GRAINS									
THE ANGULARITY OF ROUNDNESS OF SOIL GRAINS IS DESIGNATED BY THE TERMS: ANGULAR, SUBANGULAR, SUBROUNDED, OR ROUNDED.										MINERALOGICAL COMPOSITION									
MINERAL NAMES SUCH AS QUARTZ, FELDSPAR, MICA, TALC, KAOLIN, ETC. ARE USED IN DESCRIPTIONS WHEN THEY ARE CONSIDERED OF SIGNIFICANCE.										COMPRESSIBILITY									
SLIGHTLY COMPRESSIBLE MODERATELY COMPRESSIBLE HIGHLY COMPRESSIBLE										LL < 31 LL = 31 - 50 LL > 50									
PERCENTAGE OF MATERIAL										GROUND WATER									
WATER LEVEL IN BORE HOLE IMMEDIATELY AFTER DRILLING STATIC WATER LEVEL AFTER 24 HOURS PERCHED WATER, SATURATED ZONE, OR WATER BEARING STRATA SPRING OR SEEP										MISCELLANEOUS SYMBOLS									
ROADWAY EMBANKMENT (RE) WITH SOIL DESCRIPTION SOIL SYMBOL ARTIFICIAL FILL (AF) OTHER THAN ROADWAY EMBANKMENT INFERRED SOIL BOUNDARY INFERRED ROCK LINE ALLUVIAL SOIL BOUNDARY										25/825 DIP & DIP DIRECTION OF ROCK STRUCTURES TEST BORING AUGER BORING CORE BORING MONITORING WELL PIEZOMETER INSTALLATION SLOPE INDICATOR INSTALLATION CONE PENETROMETER TEST SOUNDING ROD TEST BORING WITH CORE SPT N-VALUE									
RECOMMENDATION SYMBOLS										ABBREVIATIONS									
UNDERCUT SHALLOW UNDERCUT UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION - UNSUITABLE WASTE UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION - ACCEPTABLE DEGRADABLE ROCK UNCLASSIFIED EXCAVATION - ACCEPTABLE, BUT NOT TO BE USED IN THE TOP 3 FEET OF EMBANKMENT OR BACKFILL										AR - AUGER REFUSAL BT - BORING TERMINATED CL - CLAY CPT - CONE PENETRATION TEST CSE - COARSE DMT - DILATOMETER TEST DPT - DYNAMIC PENETRATION TEST e - VOID RATIO F - FINE FOSS - FOSSILIFEROUS FRAC - FRACTURED, FRACTURES FRAGS - FRAGMENTS HI - HIGHLY MED - MEDIUM MICA - MICACEOUS MOD - MODERATELY NP - NON PLASTIC ORG - ORGANIC PMT - PRESSUREMETER TEST SAP - SAPROLITIC SD - SAND, SANDY SL - SILT, SILTY SLI - SLIGHTLY TCR - TRICONE REFUSAL w - MOISTURE CONTENT V - VERY VST - VANE SHEAR TEST WEA - WEATHERED γ - UNIT WEIGHT γ _d - DRY UNIT WEIGHT									
SAMPLE ABBREVIATIONS										EQUIPMENT USED ON SUBJECT PROJECT									
S - BULK SS - SPLIT SPOON ST - SHELBY TUBE RS - ROCK RT - RECOMPACTED TRIAXIAL CBR - CALIFORNIA BEARING RATIO										DRILL UNITS: CME-45C CME-55 CME-550 VANE SHEAR TEST PORTABLE HOIST ADVANCING TOOLS: CLAY BITS 6" CONTINUOUS FLIGHT AUGER 8" HOLLOW AUGERS HARD FACED FINGER BITS TUNG-CARBIDE INSERTS CASING w/ ADVANCER TRICONE STEEL TEETH TRICONE TUNG-CARB. CORE BIT HAMMER TYPE: AUTOMATIC MANUAL CORE SIZE: B H N Q2 HAND TOOLS: POST HOLE DIGGER HAND AUGER SOUNDING ROD VANE SHEAR TEST									
SOIL MOISTURE - CORRELATION OF TERMS										PLASTICITY									
SOIL MOISTURE SCALE (ATTERBERG LIMITS) FIELD MOISTURE DESCRIPTION GUIDE FOR FIELD MOISTURE DESCRIPTION										PLASTICITY INDEX (PI) DRY STRENGTH									
NON PLASTIC SLIGHTLY PLASTIC MODERATELY PLASTIC HIGHLY PLASTIC										0-5 6-15 16-25 26 OR MORE VERY LOW SLIGHT MEDIUM HIGH									
COLOR										DESCRIPTORS MAY INCLUDE COLOR OR COLOR COMBINATIONS (TAN, RED, YELLOW-BROWN, BLUE-GRAY). MODIFIERS SUCH AS LIGHT, DARK, STREAKED, ETC. ARE USED TO DESCRIBE APPEARANCE.									

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ROCK DESCRIPTION			TERMS AND DEFINITIONS		
HARD ROCK IS NON-COASTAL PLAIN MATERIAL THAT WOULD YIELD SPT REFUSAL IF TESTED, AN INFERRED ROCK LINE INDICATES THE LEVEL, AT WHICH NON-COASTAL PLAIN MATERIAL WOULD YIELD SPT REFUSAL. SPT REFUSAL IS PENETRATION BY A SPLIT SPOON SAMPLER EQUAL TO OR LESS THAN 0.1 FOOT PER 60 BLOWS IN NON-COASTAL PLAIN MATERIAL. THE TRANSITION BETWEEN SOIL AND ROCK IS OFTEN REPRESENTED BY A ZONE OF WEATHERED ROCK. ROCK MATERIALS ARE TYPICALLY DIVIDED AS FOLLOWS:			<u>ALLUVIUM (ALLUV.)</u> - SOILS THAT HAVE BEEN TRANSPORTED BY WATER. <u>AQUIFER</u> - A WATER BEARING FORMATION OR STRATA. <u>ARENACEOUS</u> - APPLIED TO ROCKS THAT HAVE BEEN DERIVED FROM SAND OR THAT CONTAIN SAND. <u>ARGILLACEOUS</u> - APPLIED TO ALL ROCKS OR SUBSTANCES COMPOSED OF CLAY MINERALS, OR HAVING A NOTABLE PROPORTION OF CLAY IN THEIR COMPOSITION, SUCH AS SHALE, SLATE, ETC. <u>ARTESIAN</u> - GROUND WATER THAT IS UNDER SUFFICIENT PRESSURE TO RISE ABOVE THE LEVEL AT WHICH IT IS ENCOUNTERED, BUT WHICH DOES NOT NECESSARILY RISE TO OR ABOVE THE GROUND SURFACE. <u>CALCAREOUS (CALC.)</u> - SOILS THAT CONTAIN APPRECIABLE AMOUNTS OF CALCIUM CARBONATE. <u>COLLUVIUM</u> - ROCK FRAGMENTS MIXED WITH SOIL DEPOSITED BY GRAVITY ON SLOPE OR AT BOTTOM OF SLOPE. <u>CORE RECOVERY (REC.)</u> - TOTAL LENGTH OF ALL MATERIAL RECOVERED IN THE CORE BARREL DIVIDED BY TOTAL LENGTH OF CORE RUN AND EXPRESSED AS A PERCENTAGE. <u>DIKE</u> - A TABULAR BODY OF IGNEOUS ROCK THAT CUTS ACROSS THE STRUCTURE OF ADJACENT ROCKS OR CUTS MASSIVE ROCK. <u>DIP</u> - THE ANGLE AT WHICH A STRATUM OR ANY PLANAR FEATURE IS INCLINED FROM THE HORIZONTAL. <u>DIP DIRECTION (DIP AZIMUTH)</u> - THE DIRECTION OR BEARING OF THE HORIZONTAL TRACE OF THE LINE OF DIP, MEASURED CLOCKWISE FROM NORTH. <u>FAULT</u> - A FRACTURE OR FRACTURE ZONE ALONG WHICH THERE HAS BEEN DISPLACEMENT OF THE SIDES RELATIVE TO ONE ANOTHER PARALLEL TO THE FRACTURE. <u>FISSILE</u> - A PROPERTY OF SPLITTING ALONG CLOSELY SPACED PARALLEL PLANES. <u>FLOAT</u> - ROCK FRAGMENTS ON SURFACE NEAR THEIR ORIGINAL POSITION AND DISLODGED FROM PARENT MATERIAL. <u>FLOOD PLAIN (FP)</u> - LAND BORDERING A STREAM, BUILT OF SEDIMENTS DEPOSITED BY THE STREAM. <u>FORMATION (FM.)</u> - A MAPPABLE GEOLOGIC UNIT THAT CAN BE RECOGNIZED AND TRACED IN THE FIELD. <u>JOINT</u> - FRACTURE IN ROCK ALONG WHICH NO APPRECIABLE MOVEMENT HAS OCCURRED. <u>LEDGE</u> - A SHELF-LIKE RIDGE OR PROJECTION OF ROCK WHOSE THICKNESS IS SMALL COMPARED TO ITS LATERAL EXTENT. <u>LENS</u> - A BODY OF SOIL OR ROCK THAT THINS OUT IN ONE OR MORE DIRECTIONS. <u>MOTTLED (MOT.)</u> - IRREGULARLY MARKED WITH SPOTS OF DIFFERENT COLORS. MOTTLING IN SOILS USUALLY INDICATES POOR AERATION AND LACK OF GOOD DRAINAGE. <u>PERCHED WATER</u> - WATER MAINTAINED ABOVE THE NORMAL GROUND WATER LEVEL BY THE PRESENCE OF AN INTERVENING IMPERVIOUS STRATUM. <u>RESIDUAL (RES.) SOIL</u> - SOIL FORMED IN PLACE BY THE WEATHERING OF ROCK. <u>ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION (RQD)</u> - A MEASURE OF ROCK QUALITY DESCRIBED BY TOTAL LENGTH OF ROCK SEGMENTS EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 4 INCHES DIVIDED BY THE TOTAL LENGTH OF CORE RUN AND EXPRESSED AS A PERCENTAGE. <u>SAPROLITE (SAP.)</u> - RESIDUAL SOIL THAT RETAINS THE RELIC STRUCTURE OR FABRIC OF THE PARENT ROCK. <u>SILL</u> - AN INTRUSIVE BODY OF IGNEOUS ROCK OF APPROXIMATELY UNIFORM THICKNESS AND RELATIVELY THIN COMPARED WITH ITS LATERAL EXTENT, THAT HAS BEEN EMPLACED PARALLEL TO THE BEDDING OR SCHISTOSITY OF THE INTRUDED ROCKS. <u>SLICKENSIDE</u> - POLISHED AND STRIATED SURFACE THAT RESULTS FROM FRICTION ALONG A FAULT OR SLIP PLANE. <u>STANDARD PENETRATION TEST (PENETRATION RESISTANCE) (SPT)</u> - NUMBER OF BLOWS (N OR BPF) OF A 140 LB. HAMMER FALLING 30 INCHES REQUIRED TO PRODUCE A PENETRATION OF 1 FOOT INTO SOIL WITH A 2 INCH OUTSIDE DIAMETER SPLIT SPOON SAMPLER. SPT REFUSAL IS PENETRATION EQUAL TO OR LESS THAN 0.1 FOOT PER 60 BLOWS. <u>STRATA CORE RECOVERY (SREC.)</u> - TOTAL LENGTH OF STRATA MATERIAL RECOVERED DIVIDED BY TOTAL LENGTH OF STRATUM AND EXPRESSED AS A PERCENTAGE. <u>STRATA ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION (SRQD)</u> - A MEASURE OF ROCK QUALITY DESCRIBED BY TOTAL LENGTH OF ROCK SEGMENTS WITHIN A STRATUM EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 4 INCHES DIVIDED BY THE TOTAL LENGTH OF STRATA AND EXPRESSED AS A PERCENTAGE. <u>TOPSOIL (TS.)</u> - SURFACE SOILS USUALLY CONTAINING ORGANIC MATTER.		
		NON-COASTAL PLAIN MATERIAL THAT WOULD YIELD SPT N VALUES > 100 BLOWS PER FOOT IF TESTED.			
		FINE TO COARSE GRAIN IGNEOUS AND METAMORPHIC ROCK THAT WOULD YIELD SPT REFUSAL IF TESTED. ROCK TYPE INCLUDES GRANITE, GNEISS, GABBRO, SCHIST, ETC.			
		FINE TO COARSE GRAIN METAMORPHIC AND NON-COASTAL PLAIN SEDIMENTARY ROCK THAT WOULD YIELD SPT REFUSAL IF TESTED. ROCK TYPE INCLUDES PHYLLITE, SLATE, SANDSTONE, ETC.			
		COASTAL PLAIN SEDIMENTS CEMENTED INTO ROCK, BUT MAY NOT YIELD SPT REFUSAL. ROCK TYPE INCLUDES LIMESTONE, SANDSTONE, CEMENTED SHELL BEDS, ETC.			
WEATHERING					
FRESH	ROCK FRESH, CRYSTALS BRIGHT, FEW JOINTS MAY SHOW SLIGHT STAINING. ROCK RINGS UNDER HAMMER IF CRYSTALLINE.				
VERY SLIGHT (V SL.)	ROCK GENERALLY FRESH, JOINTS STAINED, SOME JOINTS MAY SHOW THIN CLAY COATINGS IF OPEN. CRYSTALS ON A BROKEN SPECIMEN FACE SHINE BRIGHTLY. ROCK RINGS UNDER HAMMER BLOWS IF OF A CRYSTALLINE NATURE.				
SLIGHT (SL.)	ROCK GENERALLY FRESH, JOINTS STAINED AND DISCOLORATION EXTENDS INTO ROCK UP TO 1 INCH. OPEN JOINTS MAY CONTAIN CLAY. IN GRANITOID ROCKS SOME OCCASIONAL FELDSPAR CRYSTALS ARE DULL AND DISCOLORED. CRYSTALLINE ROCKS RING UNDER HAMMER BLOWS.				
MODERATE (MOD.)	SIGNIFICANT PORTIONS OF ROCK SHOW DISCOLORATION AND WEATHERING EFFECTS. IN GRANITOID ROCKS, MOST FELDSPARS ARE DULL AND DISCOLORED, SOME SHOW CLAY. ROCK HAS DULL SOUND UNDER HAMMER BLOWS AND SHOWS SIGNIFICANT LOSS OF STRENGTH AS COMPARED WITH FRESH ROCK.				
MODERATELY SEVERE (MOD. SEV.)	ALL ROCK EXCEPT QUARTZ DISCOLORED OR STAINED. IN GRANITOID ROCKS, ALL FELDSPARS DULL AND DISCOLORED AND A MAJORITY SHOW KAOLINIZATION. ROCK SHOWS SEVERE LOSS OF STRENGTH AND CAN BE EXCAVATED WITH A GEOLOGIST'S PICK. ROCK GIVES "CLUNK" SOUND WHEN STRUCK. <u>IF TESTED, WOULD YIELD SPT REFUSAL</u>				
SEVERE (SEV.)	ALL ROCK EXCEPT QUARTZ DISCOLORED OR STAINED. ROCK FABRIC CLEAR AND EVIDENT BUT REDUCED IN STRENGTH TO STRONG SOIL. IN GRANITOID ROCKS ALL FELDSPARS ARE KAOLINIZED TO SOME EXTENT. SOME FRAGMENTS OF STRONG ROCK USUALLY REMAIN. <u>IF TESTED, WOULD YIELD SPT N VALUES > 100 BPF</u>				
VERY SEVERE (V SEV.)	ALL ROCK EXCEPT QUARTZ DISCOLORED OR STAINED. ROCK FABRIC ELEMENTS ARE DISCERNIBLE BUT MASS IS EFFECTIVELY REDUCED TO SOIL STATUS, WITH ONLY FRAGMENTS OF STRONG ROCK REMAINING. SAPROLITE IS AN EXAMPLE OF ROCK WEATHERED TO A DEGREE THAT ONLY MINOR VESTIGES OF ORIGINAL ROCK FABRIC REMAIN. <u>IF TESTED, WOULD YIELD SPT N VALUES < 100 BPF</u>				
COMPLETE	ROCK REDUCED TO SOIL. ROCK FABRIC NOT DISCERNIBLE, OR DISCERNIBLE ONLY IN SMALL AND SCATTERED CONCENTRATIONS. QUARTZ MAY BE PRESENT AS DIKES OR STRINGERS. SAPROLITE IS ALSO AN EXAMPLE.				
ROCK HARDNESS					
VERY HARD	CANNOT BE SCRATCHED BY KNIFE OR SHARP PICK. BREAKING OF HAND SPECIMENS REQUIRES SEVERAL HARD BLOWS OF THE GEOLOGIST'S PICK.				
HARD	CAN BE SCRATCHED BY KNIFE OR PICK ONLY WITH DIFFICULTY. HARD HAMMER BLOWS REQUIRED TO DETACH HAND SPECIMEN.				
MODERATELY HARD	CAN BE SCRATCHED BY KNIFE OR PICK. GOUGES OR GROOVES TO 0.25 INCHES DEEP CAN BE EXCAVATED BY HARD BLOW OF A GEOLOGIST'S PICK. HAND SPECIMENS CAN BE DETACHED BY MODERATE BLOWS.				
MEDIUM HARD	CAN BE GROOVED OR GOUGED 0.05 INCHES DEEP BY FIRM PRESSURE OF KNIFE OR PICK POINT. CAN BE EXCAVATED IN SMALL CHIPS TO PIECES 1 INCH MAXIMUM SIZE BY HARD BLOWS OF THE POINT OF A GEOLOGIST'S PICK.				
SOFT	CAN BE GROVED OR GOUGED READILY BY KNIFE OR PICK. CAN BE EXCAVATED IN FRAGMENTS FROM CHIPS TO SEVERAL INCHES IN SIZE BY MODERATE BLOWS OF A PICK POINT. SMALL, THIN PIECES CAN BE BROKEN BY FINGER PRESSURE.				
VERY SOFT	CAN BE CARVED WITH KNIFE. CAN BE EXCAVATED READILY WITH POINT OF PICK. PIECES 1 INCH OR MORE IN THICKNESS CAN BE BROKEN BY FINGER PRESSURE. CAN BE SCRATCHED READILY BY FINGER NAIL.				
FRACTURE SPACING			BEDDING		
TERM	SPACING		TERM	THICKNESS	
VERY WIDE	MORE THAN 10 FEET		VERY THICKLY BEDDED	4 FEET	
WIDE	3 TO 10 FEET		THICKLY BEDDED	1.5 - 4 FEET	
MODERATELY CLOSE	1 TO 3 FEET		THINLY BEDDED	0.16 - 1.5 FEET	
CLOSE	0.16 TO 1 FOOT		VERY THINLY BEDDED	0.03 - 0.16 FEET	
VERY CLOSE	LESS THAN 0.16 FEET		THICKLY LAMINATED	0.008 - 0.03 FEET	
			THINLY LAMINATED	< 0.008 FEET	
INDURATION					
FOR SEDIMENTARY ROCKS, INDURATION IS THE HARDENING OF MATERIAL BY CEMENTING, HEAT, PRESSURE, ETC.					
FRIABLE	RUBBING WITH FINGER FREES NUMEROUS GRAINS; GENTLE BLOW BY HAMMER DISINTEGRATES SAMPLE.				
MODERATELY INDURATED	GRAINS CAN BE SEPARATED FROM SAMPLE WITH STEEL PROBE; BREAKS EASILY WHEN HIT WITH HAMMER.				
INDURATED	GRAINS ARE DIFFICULT TO SEPARATE WITH STEEL PROBE; DIFFICULT TO BREAK WITH HAMMER.				
EXTREMELY INDURATED	SHARP HAMMER BLOWS REQUIRED TO BREAK SAMPLE; SAMPLE BREAKS ACROSS GRAINS.				
BENCH MARK: BM#1 - RR SPIKE IN POPLAR TREE			NORTHING: 926470 EASTING: I446047		
			ELEVATION: 1028.56 FEET		
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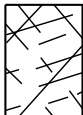
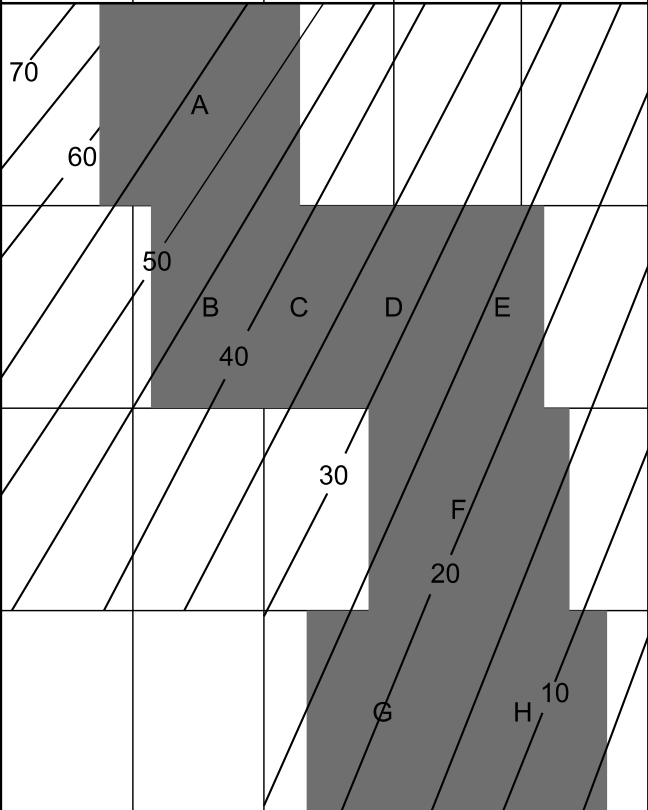
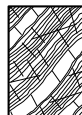
GEOLOGICAL STRENGTH INDEX (GSI) FOR JOINTED ROCKS (Hoek and Marinos, 2000)		SURFACE CONDITIONS				
From the lithology, structure and surface conditions of the discontinuities, estimate the average value of GSI. Do not try to be too precise. Quoting a range from 33 to 37 is more realistic than stating that GSI = 35. Note that the table does not apply to structurally controlled failures. Where weak planar structural planes are present in an unfavorable orientation with respect to the excavation face, these will dominate the rock mass behaviour. The shear strength of surfaces in rocks that are prone to deterioration as a result of changes in moisture content will be reduced if water is present. When working with rocks in the fair to very poor categories, a shift to the right may be made for wet conditions. Water pressure is dealt with by effective stress analysis.		VERY GOOD Very rough, fresh unweathered surfaces	GOOD Rough, slightly weathered, iron stained surfaces	FAIR Smooth, moderately weathered and altered surfaces	POOR Slickensided, highly weathered surfaces with compact coatings or fillings or angular fragments	VERY POOR Slickensided, highly weathered surfaces with soft clay coatings or fillings
		DECREASING SURFACE QUALITY →				
STRUCTURE		DECREASING INTERLOCKING OF ROCK PIECES ↓				
	INTACT OR MASSIVE - intact rock specimens or massive in situ rock with few widely spaced discontinuities					
	BLOCKY - well interlocked undisturbed rock mass consisting of cubical blocks formed by three intersecting discontinuity sets	90	80	70	60	N/A
	VERY BLOCKY - interlocked, partially disturbed mass with multi-faceted angular blocks formed by 4 or more joint sets	80	70	60	50	40
	BLOCKY/DISTURBED/SEAMY - folded with angular blocks formed by many intersecting discontinuity sets. Persistence of bedding planes or schistosity	70	60	50	40	30
	DISINTEGRATED - poorly interlocked, heavily broken rock mass with mixture of angular and rounded rock pieces	60	50	40	30	20
	LAMINATED/SHEARED - Lack of blockiness due to close spacing of weak schistosity or shear planes	50	40	30	20	10
		N/A	N/A			

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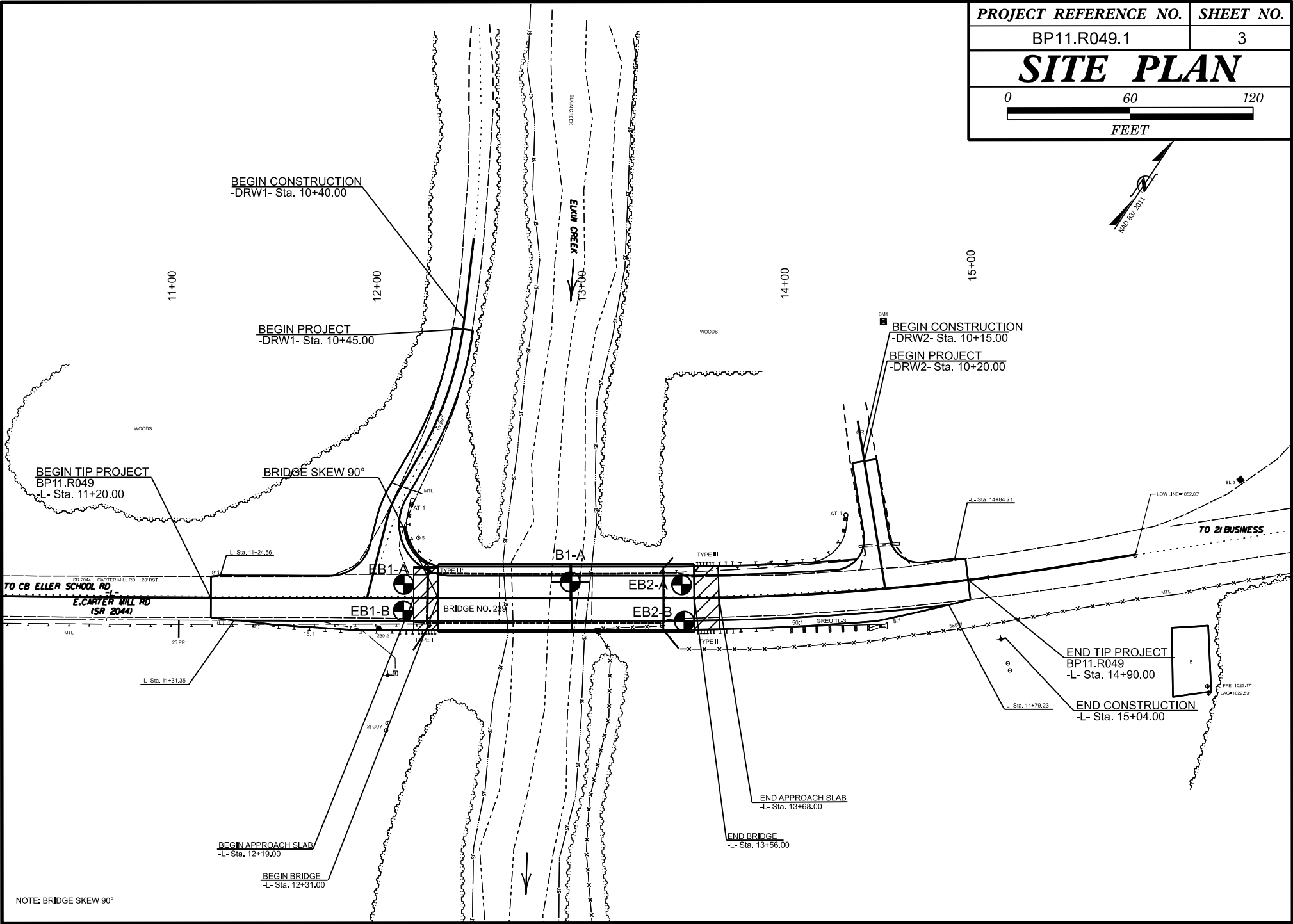
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AASHTO LRFD Figure 10.4.6.4-2 — Determination of GSI for Tectonically Deformed Heterogeneous Rock Masses (Marinos and Hoek, 2000)

GSI FOR HETEROGENEOUS ROCK MASSES SUCH AS FLYSCH (Marinos, P and Hoek E., 2000) From a description of the lithology, structure and surface conditions (particularly of the bedding planes), choose a box in the chart. Locate the position in the box that corresponds to the condition of the discontinuities and estimate the average value of GSI from the contours. Do not attempt to be too precise. Quoting a range from 33 to 37 is more realistic than giving GSI = 35. Note that the Hoek-Brown criterion does not apply to structurally controlled failures. Where unfavourably oriented continuous weak planar discontinuities are present, these will dominate the behaviour of the rock mass. The strength of some rock masses is reduced by the presence of groundwater and this can be allowed for by a slight shift to the right in the columns for fair, poor and very poor conditions. Water pressure does not change the value of GSI and it is dealt with by using effective stress analysis.		SURFACE CONDITIONS OF DISCONTINUITIES (Predominantly bedding planes)	VERY GOOD - Very Rough, fresh unweathered surfaces	GOOD - Rough, slightly weathered surfaces	FAIR - Smooth, moderately weathered and altered surfaces	POOR - Very smooth, occasionally slickensided surfaces with compact coatings or fillings with angular fragments	VERY POOR - Very smooth, slickensided or highly weathered surfaces with soft clay coatings or fillings						
COMPOSITION AND STRUCTURE													
 A. Thick bedded, very blocky sandstone. The effect of pelitic coatings on the bedding planes is minimized by the confinement of the rock mass. In shallow tunnels or slopes these bedding planes may cause structurally controlled instability.													
 B. Sandstone with thin inter-layers of siltstone  C. Sandstone and siltstone in similar amounts  D. Siltstone or silty shale with sandstone layers  E. Weak siltstone or clayey shale with sandstone layers													
C, D, E, and G - may be more or less folded than illustrated but this does not change the strength. Tectonic deformation, faulting and loss of continuity moves these categories to F and H.  F. Tectonically deformed, intensively folded/faulted, sheared clayey shale or siltstone with broken and deformed sandstone layers forming an almost chaotic structure													
 G. Undisturbed silty or clayey shale with or without a few very thin sandstone layers  H. Tectonically deformed silty or clayey shale forming a chaotic structure with pockets of clay. Thin layers of sandstone are transformed into small rock pieces.													

➡ Means deformation after tectonic disturbance

PROJECT REFERENCE NO.	SHEET NO.
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SITE PLAN	
0 60 120 FEET	



NOTE: BRIDGE SKEW 90°

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SITE DESCRIPTION BRIDGE 239 OVER ELKIN CREEK ON SR 2044 (CARTER MILL ROAD)																		GROUND WTR (ft)											
BORING NO. EB1-A						STATION 12+14						OFFSET 7 ft LT						ALIGNMENT -L-						0 HR. Dry					
COLLAR ELEV. 1,011.4 ft						TOTAL DEPTH 23.9 ft						NORTHING 926,233						EASTING 1,445,923						24 HR. FIAD					
DRILL RIG/HAMMER EFF./DATE TRI9435 CME-55 89% 05/13/2024												DRILL METHOD H.S. Augers						HAMMER TYPE Automatic											
DRILLER TOOTHMAN, R.						START DATE 07/08/25						COMP. DATE 07/08/25						SURFACE WATER DEPTH N/A											
ELEV (ft)	DRIVE ELEV (ft)	DEPTH (ft)	BLOW COUNT			BLOWS PER FOOT					SAMP. NO.	MOI	LOG	SOIL AND ROCK DESCRIPTION															
			0.5ft	0.5ft	0.5ft	0	25	50	75	100				ELEV. (ft)	DEPTH (ft)														
1015																													
1010	1,010.4	1.0																											
1005	1,007.9	3.5	3	4	3								M		ROADWAY EMBANKMENT 0.5' BITUMINOUS CONCRETE 0.5' AGGREGATE BASE COURSE														
	1,005.4	6.0	4	4	3								M		TAN BROWN AND RED, LOOSE, SILTY SAND (A-2-5) WITH TRACE GRAVEL														
	1,002.9	8.5	2	1	2								M		TAN AND BROWN, SOFT TO MEDIUM STIFF, SANDY SILT (A-4) WITH TRACE GRAVEL														
1000													M																
995	997.9	13.5	2	3	3								M		RESIDUAL TAN AND GRAY, MED. DENSE, SILTY SAND (A-2-4)														
			7	9	13								M																
990	992.9	18.5	35	21	13								M		WEATHERED ROCK TAN AND GRAY, GNEISS														
													M		RESIDUAL TAN AND WHITE, DENSE, SILTY SAND (A-2-4)														
	987.5	23.9	60/0.0												CRYSTALLINE ROCK TAN AND WHITE, BOULDER/ROCK LEDGE														
															WEATHERED ROCK TAN AND WHITE, GNEISS														
															Boring Terminated WITH STANDARD PENETRATION TEST REFUSAL at Elevation 987.5 ft ON CRYSTALLINE ROCK: GNEISS														

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BORE LOG

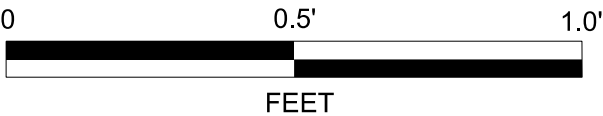
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SITE DESCRIPTION BRIDGE 239 OVER ELKIN CREEK ON SR 2044 (CARTER MILL ROAD)									GROUND WTR (ft)							
BORING NO. B1-A			STATION 12+95			OFFSET 8 ft LT			ALIGNMENT -L-			0 HR. N/A				
COLLAR ELEV. 986.8 ft			TOTAL DEPTH 42.2 ft			NORTHING 926,279			EASTING 1,445,990			24 HR. N/A				
DRILL RIG/HAMMER EFF./DATE TRI9435 CME-55 89% 05/13/2024						DRILL METHOD Mud Rotary w/ Core			HAMMER TYPE Automatic							
DRILLER TOOTHMAN, R.			START DATE 07/09/25			COMP. DATE 07/10/25			SURFACE WATER DEPTH N/A							
ELEV (ft)	DRIVE ELEV (ft)	DEPTH (ft)	BLOW COUNT			BLOWS PER FOOT					SAMP. NO.	MOI	LOG	SOIL AND ROCK DESCRIPTION		DEPTH (ft)
			0.5ft	0.5ft	0.5ft	0	25	50	75	100				ELEV. (ft)		
990																
	986.8	0.0												986.8		0.0
985			1	0	0								Sat.	984.8		2.0
	982.5	4.3												982.0		4.8
980			18	50	50/0.4						100/0.9			979.8		7.0
	977.5	9.3											W			
975			10	14	25									974.1		12.7
	972.5	14.3									100/0.6					
970			55	45/0.1										967.5		19.3
	967.5	19.3									60/0.0			966.7		20.1
965			60/0.0													
960														960.8		26.0
														959.4		27.4
955																
950																
945														944.6		42.2
														Boring Terminated at Elevation 944.6 ft IN CRYSTALLINE ROCK: GNEISS		

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COLLAR ELEV. 986.8 ft				TOTAL DEPTH 42.2 ft			NORTHING 926,279			EASTING 1,445,990		24 HR.	N/A	
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DRILLER TOOTHMAN, R.				START DATE 07/09/25			COMP. DATE 07/10/25			SURFACE WATER DEPTH N/A				
CORE SIZE NQ2				TOTAL RUN 22.9 ft										
ELEV (ft)	RUN ELEV (ft)	DEPTH (ft)	RUN (ft)	DRILL RATE (Min/ft)	RUN		SAMP. NO.	STRATA		L O G	DESCRIPTION AND REMARKS			
					REC. (ft) %	ROD (ft) %		REC. (ft) %	ROD (ft) %					
										ELEV. (ft)	DEPTH (ft)			
967.5											Begin Coring @ 19.3 ft			
965	967.5	19.3	2.9	2:58/0.9 0:23/1.0 0:46/1.0	(0.8) 28%	(0.8) 28%	RS-01	(0.8) 100%	(0.8) 100%		967.5	19.3		
	964.6	22.2									966.7	20.1		
960			5.0	0:45/1.0 1:38/1.0 1:26/1.0 2:12/1.0 2:35/1.0	(1.2) 24%	(0.6) 12%						SLIGHTLY WEATHERED, HARD, WHITE AND TAN, GRANITE, WITH CLOSE FRACTURE SPACING		
												WEATHERED ROCK SEVERELY WEATHERED, SOFT, TAN-BROWN, GNEISS/MICA SCHIST WITH VERY CLOSE FRACTURE SPACING		
955	959.6	27.2						(1.2) 86%	(0.6) 43%			960.8	26.0	
			5.0	3:25/1.0 4:45/1.0 2:24/1.0 3:32/1.0 3:54/1.0	(4.8) 96%	(4.0) 80%		(14.8) 100%	(14.0) 95%		959.4	27.4		
950	954.6	32.2		3:52/1.0 3:57/1.0 3:49/1.0 3:50/1.0 3:35/1.0	(5.0) 100%	(5.0) 100%						MODERATELY WEATHERED, MODERATELY HARD, GRAY AND TAN, GNEISS WITH CLOSE FRACTURE SPACING		
			5.0	3:22/1.0 3:26/1.0 3:16/1.0 3:12/1.0 4:05/1.0	(5.0) 100%	(5.0) 100%						VERY SLIGHTLY WEATHERED TO FRESH, VERY HARD TO HARD, GRAY AND WHITE, GNEISS WITH MODERATELY CLOSE TO WIDE FRACTURE SPACING		
945														
	944.6	42.2										944.6	42.2	
											Boring Terminated at Elevation 944.6 ft IN CRYSTALLINE ROCK: GNEISS			

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BORE LOG

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SITE DESCRIPTION															BRIDGE 239 OVER ELKIN CREEK ON SR 2044 (CARTER MILL ROAD)										GROUND WTR (ft)																										
BORING NO.					EB2-A					STATION					13+50					OFFSET					7 ft LT					ALIGNMENT					-L-					0 HR.		Dry									
COLLAR ELEV.					1,011.2 ft					TOTAL DEPTH					39.5 ft					NORTHING					926,308					EASTING					1,446,036					24 HR.		FIAD									
DRILL RIG/HAMMER EFF./DATE										TRI9435 CME-55 89% 05/13/2024										DRILL METHOD										H.S. Augers										HAMMER TYPE										Automatic	
DRILLER					TOOTHMAN, R.					START DATE					07/08/25					COMP. DATE					07/08/25					SURFACE WATER DEPTH										N/A											
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	972.7	38.5	50	50/0.4																																															
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LABORATORY TEST RESULTS
Bridge #239 over Elkin Creek on SR-2044 (Carter Mill Rd.)
Wilkes County, NC
NCDOT Project: BP11-R049
Falcon Engineering Project No: G25047.00

NO.	SAMPLE LOCATION	DEPTH INTERVAL	AASHTO CLASS.	ATTERBERG LIMITS		PERCENT BY WEIGHT				PERCENT PASSING SIEVE			MOISTURE (%)	BULK DENSITY (pcf)	ORGANICS (%)
				LL	PI	C.SAND	F.SAND	SILT	CLAY	#10	#40	#200			
SS-01	EB1-A	3.5-5.0	A-4(0)	32	2	22	40	21	17	90	80	41	17.6	N/A	N/A
SS-02	EB1-B	1.0-2.5	A-7-6(5)	44	19	19	25	24	32	74	66	45	17.7	N/A	N/A
SS-03	EB2-A	1.0-2.5	A-6(6)	37	17	15	31	13	41	89	82	53	18.7	N/A	N/A
SS-04	EB2-A	13.5-15.0	A-6(2)	36	12	25	35	10	30	90	79	41	23.6	N/A	N/A
SS-05	EB2-B	3.5-5.0	A-7-6(10)	43	20	12	28	12	48	91	86	60	22.2	N/A	N/A

Reviewed By

Certification: 105-0803

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SUMMARY OF ROCK CORE TEST RESULTS

BRIDGE NO. 239 ON SR 2044 (CARTER MILL ROAD) OVER ELKIN CREEK

WILKES COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

FALCON ENGINEERING, INC. PROJECT NO: G25047.00

Sample No.	Boring	Alignment	Station	Offset	Northing	Easting	Depth (ft)	Rock Type	Geologic Map Unit	Run RQD	Length (ft)	Diameter (ft)	Unit Weight (PCF)	Unconfined Compressive Strength (PSI)	Geologic Strength Index (GSI)	Failure
RS-1	B1-A	-L-	12+95	8 ft LT	926,279	1,445,990	31.4-31.8	GNEISS	CZbb	95%	0.37	0.17	170.3	9,960	75	

Note: Time to failure on compression test was between 2 and 15 minutes per ASTM-D7012.