

Updated Geotechnical Investigation Report

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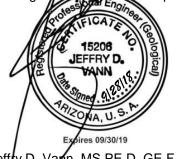
Mr. Tonn:

Transmitted herewith is a copy of the final report of the geotechnical investigation on the above-mentioned project. The services performed provide an evaluation at selected locations of the subsurface soil conditions throughout the zone of significant foundation influence. The materials encountered on the site are believed to be representative of the total area; however, soil and rock materials do vary in character between points of investigation. The recommendations contained in this report assume that the soil conditions do not deviate appreciably from those disclosed by the investigation. Should unusual material or conditions be encountered during construction, the soil engineer must be notified so that supplemental recommendations may be considered if they are required.

As an additional service, this firm would be pleased to review the project plans and structural notes for conformance to the intent of this report. We trust that this report will assist you in the design and construction of the proposed project. Vann Engineering, Inc. appreciates the opportunity to provide our services on this project and looks forward to working with you during construction and on future projects. This firm possesses the capability of performing testing and inspection services during the course of construction. Such services include, but are not limited to, compaction testing as related to fill control, foundation inspections and concrete sampling. Please notify this tim if a proposal for these services is desired. Should any questions arise concerning the course this report, please feel free to contact this office as soon as possible.

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SECTION I

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Vann Engineering, Inc. understands that a new one to two story custom home is proposed for construction at the above mentioned site, with no planned basement levels. The aerial photograph below depicts the site and the immediate vicinity. In addition, we understand that the residence depicted in the following aerial photograph is to be demolished.



This document presents the results of a Geotechnical Investigation Report conducted by Vann Engineering, Inc. for the:

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It must be noted that this report and the recommendations contained herein are predicated on two reports serving in congress; 1) this report and 2) the Boulder Stability Evaluation. This report is, therefore, a portion of the overall study of the site. Because of the uniqueness of each report, the contents are constrained to separate submittals. Notwithstanding, all reports will work together. The two reports are identified by the Project Number 24215.

The services performed provide an evaluation at selected locations of the subsurface soil conditions throughout the zone of significant foundation influence.



1.1 Purpose

The purpose of the investigation was two-fold: 1) to determine the physical characteristics of the soil underlying the site, and 2) to provide final recommendations for safe and economical foundation design and slab support. For purposes of foundation design, the maximum column and wall loads have been assumed to be as summarized below.

| | Maximum Column Load (KIPS) | Maximum Wall Load (KLF) |
|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Conventional, shallow, lightly loaded surface- level spread foundations with total and differential settlements limited to ½ inch and ¼ inch, respectively | 1/3 | 7.5 |

Anticipated structural loads in excess of those stated above will need to be addressed in an addendum, i.e. they are not covered under the scope of work involved with this effort.

1.2 Scope of Services

The scope of services for this project includes the following:

- Description of the subject site
- Description of the major soil layers
- Site Plan indicating the locations of all points of exploration
- Explanation of applicable geologic hazards
- Recommendations for surface-level conventional spread foundations; allowable bearing capacity based on settlement analysis of ½ inch total settlement and ¼ inch differential settlement (Design data, allowable bearing pressure and depth, for shallow spread foundations)
- Recommendations for free end retaining walls
- General excavation conditions
- · Recommendations for cut slope stability
- Lateral stability analyses including active pressure, passive pressure and base friction
- Recommendations for site grading necessary earthwork for conventional systems
- Recommendations for drainage and slab support
- Anticipated shrinkage of the surface soil
- 2012 IBC site classification

Note: This report does not include, either specifically or by implication, any environmental assessment of the site or identification of contaminated or hazardous materials or conditions. If the owner is concerned about the potential for such contamination, other studies should be undertaken. We are available to discuss the scope of work of such studies with you. Recommendations for basement-level facilities have not been included in our scope of services.



1.3 Authorization

The data obtained from the subject site and the preparation of this Geotechnical investigation report have been carried out according to this firm's proposal, authorized by Mr. Scott Tonn, to proceed with the work.

1.4 Standard of Care

Since our investigation is based upon review of background data, observation of site materials, and engineering analysis, the conclusions and recommendations are professional opinions. Our professional services have been performed using that degree and skill ordinarily exercised, under similar circumstances, by reputable geotechnical engineers practicing in this or similar localities.

These opinions have been derived in accordance with current standards of practice and no other warranty, express or implied, is made. The limitations of this report and geotechnical issues which further explain the limitations of the information contained in this report are listed at 7.0.

2.0 **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

2.1 Proposed Development

Vann Engineering, Inc. understands that a new one to two story custom home is proposed for construction at the above mentioned site, with no planned basement levels. The preceding aerial photograph depicts the site and the immediate vicinity. In addition, we understand that the residence depicted in the preceding aerial photograph is to be demolished.

2.2 Site Description

The site consists of hillside terrain that slopes down to the north. The parcel is currently occupied by a residential structure, asphalt driveway and a swimming pool. The existing residential structure was constructed on a cut and fill pad. The fill portion of the pad forms a wedge, up to 10.0 feet thick, across the north side of the pad.

Sparse vegetation covers the surface.

Numerous granite boulders were observed scattered across the native undisturbed portions of the site. A small wash traverses the west side of the property.

Special note: This firm considers the existing spread fill, used to build the existing pad, to be uncontrolled and uncompacted (undocumented). In lieu of spread fill removal and replacement, this firm has generated specific recommendations (*as contained herein*) for foundations and slabs bearing on the existing spread fill. Deeper occurrences of spread fill may exist at locations on the site not explored by the seismic surveys.

Refer to the following site photographs which show the current condition of the site.























3.0 SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION AND LABORATORY TESTING

3.1 Subsurface Investigation

The site's subsurface was explored through the utilization of three (3) 24-channel refraction seismic survey lines, denoted on the Site Plan in Section II of this report. Each seismic survey line involved the retrieval of data in two separate directions (*forward and reverse*). As such, six (6) refraction seismic surveys were conducted at the site. The lengths of the seismic surveys were 72.0 feet, thereby allowing an examination of the subsurface to depths of 28.0 feet below the existing site grade.

Information pertaining to the subsurface profile was obtained through analysis of seismic refraction data and geological observations of the site. Seismic wave velocities, representative of the various strata, are listed in Section II of this report. Note: Changes in the calculated velocity indicate strata breaks or distinct changes within the same stratum. The important concept to remember with this method is that it is predominantly effective where velocities increase from layer to layer, moving downward from the surface.

Analytical methods are used by this firm for determining the depth to the various layers, even in the most complex multi-layer situations. However, when a more dense harder soil or rock layer overlies a weaker or less dense soil or rock layer, the weaker or less dense layer is masked and not detected by the seismograph. Thus, the Cross Sections presented in Section II may not reveal a possible weaker underlying layer, within or below the depicted layers. If a weaker layer is encountered during the excavation efforts, this office should be contacted immediately for further recommendations.

Generally, the depth of a seismic survey investigation is approximately equal to one-third the length of the survey. For example, if it is desired to examine the substrata to a depth of 20.0 feet, the survey should extend a distance of 60.0 feet. However, seismic survey exploration depths, as mentioned above and depicted on the following Cross Sections, are calculated by using a computer program (SeisImager 2D) that generates cross sections of the subsurface geology at each seismic survey location. Further, total exploration depths, as stated above, of the seismic survey study may vary from one survey line to the next. Furthermore, the calculated depths are dependent on the program's ability to interpret the subsurface layering, and are based primarily on the penetration and refraction of the seismic wave into and through the subsurface stratum. Thus, the actual seismic survey exploration depth was 28.0 feet below the existing grade, regardless of the length of the survey line.

The materials encountered on the subject site are believed to be representative of the total area; however, soil and rock materials do vary in character between points of investigation. The recommendations contained in this report are based on the assumption that the soil conditions do not deviate appreciably from those disclosed by the investigation. Should unusual material or conditions be encountered during construction, the soil engineer must be notified so that he may make supplemental recommendations if they should be required.



3.2 Laboratory Testing

Laboratory analyses were performed on representative soil samples to aid in material classification and to estimate pertinent engineering properties of the on-site soils preparation of this report. Testing was performed in general accordance with applicable test methods. A representative sample obtained during the field investigation was subjected to the following laboratory analyses:

| Test | Sample(s) | Purpose |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Sieve Analysis/ Atterberg Limits | Native subgrade soils (1) | Soil classification |
| Moisture Content | Native subgrade soils (1) | Existing in-place soil conditions |

Refer to Section III of this report for the complete results of the laboratory testing. The samples will be stored for 30 days from the date of issue of this report, and then disposed of unless otherwise instructed in writing by the client.

4.0 SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

4.1 Site Stratigraphy

The following list represents a general summary of the on-site soil and rock characteristics based on information obtained during this firm's subsurface investigation. The soil sample along with and seismic refraction data obtained from the site was subjected to laboratory testing and computer aided analyses, respectively, relative to engineering applications. The following are the analyses of the laboratory test results and seismic refraction data as they apply to the physical and mechanical properties of the subsurface soil and rock:

Layer 1 – Surficial Soil: Coarse-grained alluvium and fill: Unified soil classification of the surficial soil encountered during our field effort is SC-SM (*silty clayey gravelly sand*). The layer is slightly damp, with approximately 26% gravel, 53% sand, 21% fines, loose to moderately dense, plasticity index of 6, and exhibits weak calcium carbonate cementation.

Vp = 886 to 1158 feet per second

Layer 1 exists from the current ground surface to depths ranging from 2.1 to 10.0 feet at the locations of the seismic surveys.

Layer 1 exists to an average calculated depth of 5.4 feet below the existing site surface at the locations of the seismic surveys.

Layer 2 – Comprised of highly to moderately weathered and fractured, poor, weak, granite rock:

Vp = 3618 to 4806 feet per second



Layer 2 exists below depths ranging from 2.1 to 10.0 feet at the locations of the seismic surveys.

Layer 2 exists below an average calculated depth of 5.4 feet at the locations of the seismic surveys.

Variations on the order of 1.5 feet may be encountered in the layer depth calculations due to the variability of the materials, degrees of weathering, and orientation of the structures. Refer to the following Cross Sections for the subsurface layering determined by analysis of the seismic refraction survey. The locations of the seismic surveys are depicted on the Site Plan in Section II.

It must be noted that over-sized particles (greater than 3.0 inches) will occur within each layer and should be anticipated during the excavation process.

4.2 Groundwater

No groundwater was encountered during the course of this firm's site investigation.

4.3 Engineering Properties of the Site Soils

Expansive soils are soils that expand or swell and are typically known to have a shrink/swell potential. Cohesive soils, or clay soils, tend to shrink as they are dried, and swell as they become wetted. The clay content of the soil determines the extent of the shrink/swell potential. The soils encountered at the site are considered cohesionless based on the laboratory testing. Based on the measured properties of the soil samples, this firm has determined that the potential for soil expansion is low.

Collapsible soils are typically comprised of silt and sand size grains with small amounts of clay. The collapse potential of a soil depends on the in-situ density, depth of the deposit and the extent of a porous structure. When loading is applied to collapsible soils, originating from the weight of the structure, along with wetting, settlement occurs. Wetting sources are most commonly associated with landscape irrigation, inadequate surface drainage, utility line leakage, proximity of retention basins and water features to a structure, and long-term ponding next to the structure. The native soils encountered at the site are considered to have a <u>very high</u> potential for collapse and excessive differential soil movement (mitigated by the foundation recommendations contained herein).

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

The recommendations contained herein are based upon the properties of the surface and subsurface soils and rocks as described by the field evaluation, the results of which are presented and discussed in this report. Alternate recommendations may be possible and will be considered upon request.



5.1 Excavating Conditions

Excavations greater than 4.0 feet should be sloped or braced as required to provide personnel safety and satisfy local safety code regulations.

The following tabulation summarizes the seismic wave velocity and <u>possible</u> rippability conditions for the various layers. The rippability conditions are based on the seismic P-wave velocities and data utilized by Caterpillar Inc. included in their "Handbook of Ripping."

| Layer | Depth Interval (feet) | Seismic Wave Velocity (feet per second) | Remarks Relative to Rippability |
|-------|---|--|---|
| 1 | Exists to an average calculated depth of 5.4 feet below the existing site surface at the locations of the seismic surveys | 886 to 1158 | Conventional equipment, Case 580 Trencher |
| 2 | Exists below an average calculated depth of 5.4 feet below the existing site surface, at the locations of the seismic surveys | 3618 to 4806 | D10N, Caterpillar 235 with an appropriate sized hydraulic ram hoe attachment to accomplish effective material removal |

Variations on the order of 1.5 feet may be encountered in the layer depth calculations due to the variability of the materials, degrees of weathering, and orientation of the structures.

As previously stated, it must be noted that over-sized particles (greater than 3.0 inches) will occur within each layer and should be anticipated during the excavation process.

Temporary construction slopes should be designed and excavated in strict compliance with the rules and regulations of the Federal Register, Volume 54, No. 209 (October 1989), the United States Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), 29 CFR, Part 1926. This document was prepared to better insure the safety of workers entering trenches or excavations, and requires that all excavations conform to new OSHA guidelines.

The contractor is solely responsible for protecting excavations by shoring, sloping, benching or other means as required to maintain stability of both the excavation sides and bottom. Vann Engineering, Inc. does not assume any responsibility for construction site safety or the activities of the contractor.

5.2 Cut Slope Stability

The following tabulation presents this firm's analysis of safe cut slopes for the anticipated subsurface conditions.

However, it should be noted that the subsurface rock (Layer 2), once exposed, could reveal hidden characteristics that may indicate the potential for slope instability during and after cutting



operations. Therefore, this firm recommends that the following safe cut slope criteria and associated slope stability analyses be implemented during construction.

| Portion of Cut Slope | Temporary Cut Slope Ratio (Horizontal to Vertical) "During the life of construction", and Permanent if Warranted as a Result of a Markland Analysis | Permanent Cut Slope Ratio (Horizontal to Vertical) without Completion of a Markland Analysis |
|-------------------------|---|--|
| Layer 1 | 2:1 | 2:1 |
| Layer 2 | 1:1.5** | 1:1* |

*Maximum safe cut slope ratio (horizontal to vertical) <u>without</u> completion of a Markland stability analysis being performed on Layer 2 rock mass during the cutting operation (*i.e. A Markland stability analysis shall be required in order to verify the existence of fractured or foliated/parted rock and their respective orientations, and that if the conditions will pose a potential safety risk from unstable conditions*).

**Maximum safe cut slope ratio (horizontal to vertical) with the completion of a Markland stability analysis or other slope stability analysis during construction that will verify the integrity of the rock mass and ensure slope stability.

Twenty (20.0) feet is recommended as the maximum cut slope height.

This firm should be notified during construction in order to verify field conditions and inspect all cut slopes for structural features (e.g. shear zones, foliation/parting, fractures, joint orientations and slabbing) contained within the rock mass that could lead to slope instability and eventual slope failure. If conditions relative to the integrity and stability of the rock mass are observed during the site excavation and are noted during a site inspection, this firm may alter the above-recommended cut slopes to adhere to a more stable condition.

Therefore, it is critical that all cut slope excavations be inspected at a point where; if unstable conditions are identified, that mitigation measures can be implemented before large scale cuts have been performed or slope failure occurs (i.e. inspecting and potentially modifying the cut slope recommendations, or possibly recommending the use of rock anchors, rock netting, or retaining walls for slope stability, when the cut is no greater than 10.0 feet in height).

Note: Altered recommendations or mitigation measures shall be based on the results obtained from a Markland stability analysis, which is not part of the scope of work for this report.

These slope designs were completed under the assumption that surcharge loads will not be applied at the crest of any existing cut slope. All slopes should be cleared of loose materials. After construction, traffic on the crest of any cut slope should be limited to pedestrian foot traffic only, within 10.0 feet of the crest.

Very small flows of surface water may erode portions of the faces of the existing cut slopes and lead to localized slope movements. For this reason, all surface drainage should be controlled and directed away from any cut slopes. This firm recommends that a V-shaped trench be



constructed 5.0 feet up-slope, adjacent and parallel to the crest of any cut-slope and graded to drain. The drainage trench design shall provide adequate protection for keeping water away from any exposed cut-slope and building area.

There exists the possibility of rock falls associated with possible weathered upper portions of any exposed rock stratum. In other words, some localized rock movements should be anticipated. Any such occurrence will be accommodated by the utilization of buffer zones. Buildings should not be constructed in, <u>and pedestrian traffic should be directed away from</u>, buffer zones. At the base of any cut-slope (beyond the toe of the cut-slope), buffer zones should be maintained according to the following schedule:

| Vertical Rock Cut-Slope Height (feet) | Horizontal Rock-Fall Impact Zone Distance (feet) |
|--|---|
| 5 | 2.5 |
| 10 | 5 |
| 15 | 7.5 |
| 20 | 10 |

Unforeseen conditions may develop during cutting operations. If conditions arise which were not addressed by this design, it is imperative that this firm be notified such that the situation can be addressed properly. In all construction activities related to site grading, the concept of toe removal should become well understood.

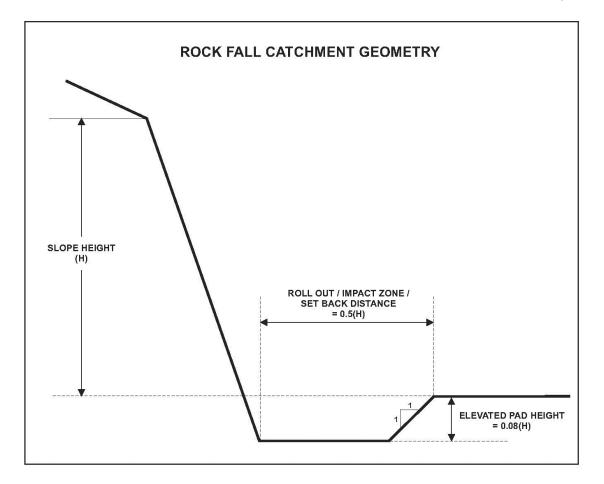
All slopes, whether they are natural or fill, have a toe (the lowest portion of the slope). When the toe is removed, the slope may become unstable. For purposes of construction, the entire site should be considered to exist on a slope. Any cut into the natural slope will result in the removal of the toe for the up-slope portion, resulting in the potential movement of up-slope boulders riding on the surface.

In addition to cut operations, vibrations from heavy equipment can induce a seismic-like component to a cut or natural slope which may reduce the overall slope stability and decrease the factor of safety against sliding to below 1. Such vibrations can also dislodge boulders from a normally stable slope. It should also be noted that it is beyond this firm's ability to predict the time and place such an event (*rock fall or slope movement*) will occur.

It is well known that erosional processes and gravity work continuously to move rock and soil down-slope, and therefore, <u>future slope movements should be anticipated</u> whether small or large.

To protect the structure from rock falls and rollouts, the following Rock Fall Catchment Geometry diagram must be adhered to. The diagram describes the geometry of the slope protection measures at the base of the slope.





5.3 Backfill Settlement

Basement/retaining wall and utility trench backfill in building and pavement areas should be compacted to the density criteria previously presented herein. If backfills are not compacted as recommended, excessive settlement may result in areas adjoining backfilled retaining/basement walls, or over utilities. Excessive settlement of loose backfills has caused damage to pavements, floor slabs, pedestrian walkways, planters, etc., which adjoin backfilled retaining/basement walls.

Deep compacted backfills will also tend to settle differently relative to retaining walls and should not be used for support of adjoining facilities prone to damage from differential settlements, or facilities attached to the main structure.

Flooding has also been experienced in below grade areas due to breakage of utility lines embedded in loose retaining/basement wall backfills, and from infiltration of surface water (irrigation and/or rainfall) through loose retaining/basement wall backfills. Backfills may consist of compacted native soils. Backfill compaction should be accomplished by mechanical methods. Water jetting or flooding of loose, dumped backfills to increase moisture contents should be prohibited in all wall backfills and in utility trench backfills. Because of the critical factor of minimizing settlements of approach slabs, particularly careful quality control should be exercised over backfill operations.



Even with proper backfill compaction (well compacted – 95 percent minimum), the backfill will have the potential for about 1.2 inches of settlement (for 10.0 feet of total backfill) in the event of wetting by irrigation or broken conduits. With moderately compacted backfill (90 percent minimum), the magnitude of backfill settlement may approach 3.0 inches (for 10.0 feet of total backfill). Further, with poorly compacted backfill (85 percent minimum), the approximate magnitude of backfill settlement may reach as much as 6.0 inches (for 10.0 feet of total backfill). The preceding estimates for backfill settlement are those which may occur through settlement of the backfill alone, without any surcharge or other structural loading condition. Refer to the following table which reflects the anticipated settlement without any structural loads.

| | | | | | Dac | | | 511L | | | | | | |
|-----------------|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bac | Anticipated Settlement without any Structural Loads (in.) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| % Compaction | Description | % Estimated Strain | 2.5 feet of backfill | 5.0 feet of backfill | 7.5 feet of backfill | 10.0 feet of backfill | 12.5 feet of backfill | 15.0 feet of backfill | 17.5 feet of backfill | 20.0 feet of backfill | 22.5 feet of backfill | 25.0 feet of backfill | 27.5 feet of backfill | 30.0 feet of backfill |
| 95-98 | Very Well Compacted | 0.5 | 0.15 | 0.3 | 0.45 | 0.6 | 0.75 | 0.9 | 1.05 | 1.2 | 1.35 | 1.5 | 1.65 | 1.8 |
| 95 | Well Compacted | 1 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 2.4 | 2.7 | 3.0 | 3.3 | 3.6 |
| 90 | Moderately Compacted | 2.5 | 0.75 | 1.5 | 2.25 | 3.0 | 3.75 | 4.5 | 5.25 | 6.0 | 6.75 | 7.5 | 8.25 | 9.0 |
| 85 | Poorly Compacted | 5 | 1.5 | 3.0 | 4.5 | 6.0 | 7.5 | 9.0 | 10.5 | 12.0 | 13.5 | 15.0 | 16.5 | 18.0 |
| 80 | Very Poorly Compacted | 7.5 | 2.25 | 4.5 | 6.75 | 9.0 | 11.25 | 13.5 | 15.75 | 18.0 | 20.25 | 22.5 | 24.75 | 27.0 |

Accordingly, it is recommended that where slabs are supported on grade over fill but are also tied to or connected to elements supported at basement level, special construction details should be utilized. Concrete slabs should be hinged or keyed at the base where they join the rigid structure in order to allow slight rotation of the slab. These measures will reduce the likelihood that such slabs will crack or suffer noticeable deformations. Also refer to Slab Support presented herein.

Foundation stepping will be required to prevent any transitional foundation from bearing on fill or retaining wall backfill soil. Specifically, this refers to a footing that will transition from the retaining wall level to the house level. At all times, footings installed throughout the step must bear on native undisturbed soil, as outlined in Surface to Retaining Wall Level Footing Transitions, Option A (Included in Section IV). If footings must bear on or in retaining wall backfill, the recommendations included in Surface to Retaining Wall Level Footing Transitions, Options B and C, must be followed. Note: retaining wall backfill is not considered engineered fill. Furthermore, the recommendations in Section IV are preliminary and must be reviewed and finalized by the project structural engineer.

5.4 Site Preparation

The following recommendations are presented as a guide in the compilation of construction specifications. The recommendations are not comprehensive contract documents and should not be utilized as such. Although underground facilities such as septic tanks, cesspools, basements, and dry wells were not encountered, such features might be encountered during construction. These features should be demolished or abandoned in accordance with the recommendations of the geotechnical engineer. Such measures may include backfill with 2-sack ABC/cement slurry.



It is recommended that all vegetation, remnants associated with the demolished structures (inclusive of slabs, foundations, abandoned utilities and pool shell) and all deleterious matter within the proposed building areas be removed prior to site work.

A minimum of <u>8.0 inches</u> of the exposed surface soils should be scarified, moisture processed and compacted as specified herein. The scarification and compaction requirement applies to cut situations as well as fill situations.

This firm considers the existing spread fill, used to build the existing pad, to be uncontrolled and uncompacted (undocumented). As such, for foundations bearing on the existing fill the following recommendations must be adhered to.

Special note for floor slabs bearing on existing fill:

A 5-inch thick floor slab for the building should incorporate No. 4 reinforcing steel at 24 inches on center, each way, chaired, tied (100 percent) and tied to the footing steel, or wire mesh equivalent. The final design for reinforcement should be completed by a registered structural engineer. <u>8.0 inches</u> of the existing surface soils should be scarified, moisture processed and compacted as specified herein. The scarification and compaction requirement applies to cut situations as well as fill situations.

Special note for conventional surface-level foundations bearing on existing fill:

Double reinforcement shall be required for all surface-level foundations bearing on existing fill. Double reinforcement for footings should include four No. 4 bars, two near the bottom (tension side) and two near the top (compression side) of the footing (double reinforcement-equal distribution of steel on each side of the neutral axis).

Any site cut material may be reused as structural supporting fill provided the maximum particle size is 6.0 inches, it is free of all demolition debris, and that a suitable amount of fines will be generated to ensure a stable mixture.

Complete removal and cleaning of any undesirable materials and proper backfilling of depressions will be necessary to develop support for the proposed facilities.

Widen all depressions as necessary to accommodate compaction equipment and provide a level base for placing any fill. All fills shall be properly moistened and compacted as specified in the section on compaction and moisture recommendations.

All subbase fill required to bring the structure areas up to subgrade elevation should be placed in horizontal lifts not exceeding 6.0 inches compacted thickness or in horizontal lifts with thicknesses compatible with the compaction equipment utilized.

Fill placement in wash areas or sloped topography should involve <u>horizontal</u> layers placed in 6inch lifts, such that each successive lift is benched into the native site soils a minimum lateral distance of <u>5.0 feet</u>.



Removal of the existing swimming pool backfill should be completed prior to and during the earthwork process. More specifically, since the pool has been abandoned the following should be implemented:

If the pool shell has been removed:

- Remove the loose backfill soils.
- Below 5.0 feet, backfill the pool in 6 inch lifts to 98% compaction and ± 2% of optimum moisture (D688A).
- Upper 5.0 feet, backfill the pool in 6 inch lifts to 95% compaction and \pm 2% of optimum moisture (D688A). The upper 5.0 feet of backfill must be benched into the native soils.

If the pool shell is still in-place:

- Remove the backfill soils.
- Remove the upper 3.0 feet of the pool shell.
- Perforate the bottom of the pool with a 6 inch core holes to allow for drainage. The locations of the cores should be placed on 5.0 feet on-center, each way.
- Below 5.0 feet, backfill the pool in 6 inch lifts to 98% compaction and ± 2% of optimum moisture (D688A).
- Upper 5.0 feet, backfill the pool in 6 inch lifts to 95% compaction and ± 2% of optimum moisture (D688A).

Any foundations traversing the pool backfilled area should be double-reinforced (top and bottom) and tied to the slab, wherever possible. The double reinforcement should extend 10.0 feet past the limits of the pool backfill area. Refer to Section IV for the Swimming Pool Removal and Backfill Detail.

Any removed trees to accommodate the new structure must include removal of the root systems, followed by backfilling of the volume occupied by the root ball. Typically, to remove all significant roots such that the maximum diameter of any root is no greater than $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, it is required to excavate to a depth of 4.0 feet to capture all applicable roots. Further, the lateral extent of each tree root excavation is generally 8.0 feet (twice the depth).

It is the understanding of this firm that various utility trenches may traverse the completed pad. The backfill of all utility trenches, if not in conformance with this report, may adversely impact the integrity of the completed pad. This firm recommends that all utility trench backfill crossing the pad be inspected and tested to ensure full conformance with this report. Untested utility trench backfill will nullify any as-built grading report regarding the existence of controlled compacted fill beneath the proposed building foundations and place the owner at greater risk in terms of potential unwanted foundation and floor slab movement.

Compaction of backfill, subgrade soil, subbase fill, and base course materials should be accomplished to the following density criteria:



| Material | Percent Compaction (ASTM D698) |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| On-site soils used as subbase fill or backfill for structu | Iral support |
| (cohesionless, PI < 12): | |
| Building areas below foundation level | 95 min. |
| Building areas above foundation level | 95 min. |
| Imported subbase fill or backfill for structural or paven | nent support: |
| Building areas below foundation level | 95 min. |
| Building areas above foundation level | 95 min. |
| Base course: | |
| Below interior concrete slabs | 90 min. |
| | |

During construction and prior to concrete placement, moisture contents should be controlled as follows:

| | Compaction |
|--|---------------------------|
| Material | Moisture Content Range |
| On-site soils (cohesionless, PI < 12): | |
| Below foundation level | optimum -2 to optimum +2% |
| Above foundation level | optimum -2 to optimum +2% |
| Imported fill material: | |
| Below foundation level | optimum -2 to optimum +2% |
| Above foundation level | optimum -2 to optimum +2% |

Note: The recommendations previously tabulated under the heading entitled "Above Foundation Level" also apply to the subgrade in exterior slab, sidewalk, curb, gutter, and <u>pool deck</u> areas.

Any soil disturbed during construction shall be compacted to the applicable percent compaction as specified herein. Increase the required degree of compaction to a minimum of 98 percent for fill materials greater than 5.0 feet below final grade. Natural undisturbed soils or compacted soils subsequently disturbed or removed by construction operations should be replaced with materials compacted as specified above.

All imported fill material to be used as structural supporting fill should be free of vegetation, debris and other deleterious material and meet the following requirements:

| Maximum Plasticity Index | 14 |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Maximum Particle Size | 6 inches |
| Percentage Passing 4-inch Sieve | 70 - 100 percent |
| Acceptable Passing #4 Sieve | 50 - 100 percent |
| Maximum Passing #200 Sieve | 60 percent |
| Maximum Expansion Potential (%) | 1.5* |
| Maximum Soluble Sulfates (%) | 0.19 |

*Performed on a sample remolded to 95 percent of the maximum ASTM D698 density at 2 percent below the optimum moisture content, under a 100 PSF Surcharge.



Water settling and/or slurry <u>shall not</u>, in any case, be used to compact or settle surface soils, fill material, or trench backfill within 10.0 feet of a structure area or within an area, which is to be paved.

When trench backfill consists of permeable materials that would allow percolation of water into a structure or pavement area, water settling shall not be used to settle such materials in any part of the trench.

5.5 Fill Slope Stability

Maximum uncovered fill slopes may conform to a 2:1 (horizontal:vertical) ratio if fill is placed in accordance with the recommendations contained herein.

5.6 Shrinkage

For balancing grading plans, the estimated shrink of on-site soils has been provided below. The calculated shrink assumes oversized material will be processed and used on the project (i.e. oversized material is crushed and used in engineered fill).

Assuming the average degree of compaction will approximate 97 percent of the standard maximum density, the approximate shrinkage of the reworked on-site soils is as follows:

| Material | Estimated Shrinkage (Based on ASTM D988A) |
|-------------------------|--|
| Native Undisturbed Soil | 16% <u>+</u> 3% |
| Existing Spread Fill | 19% <u>+</u> 3% |

5.7 Site Classification

This project is not located over any known active faults or fault associated disturbed zones. The following 2012 IBC Site Classification may be utilized in the earthquake design of the proposed structure.

| | 2012 IBC Site Classification | В |
|--|------------------------------|---|
|--|------------------------------|---|

5.8 Conventional Surface-Level Spread Foundations Bearing on the Subsurface Rock Layer (Described Herein), with Slabs Bearing on Existing Fill Soils

Foundations extending to the contact with Layer 2 (rock) must have a minimum embedment of 1.5 feet, or be socketed into the rock as described below. The following values for allowable bearing capacity may be considered for foundations on rock:



| Foundation Embedment Depth (ft) - as defined herein | Depth of Occurrence Below Existing Grade | Bearing Layer | Allowable Soil Bearing Capacity |
|--|--|------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Bearing at the surface of Layer 2, with a minimum footing depth of 1.5 feet | Exists below an average depth of 5.4 feet at the points of exploration | Layer 2 | 3500 PSF |
| Socketed 1.0 feet into Layer 2 | Exists below an average depth of 5.4 feet at the points of exploration | Layer 2 | 4000 PSF |

Conventional Surface Level Foundations Bearing on or into Layer 2

Special note for floor slabs bearing on existing fill:

A 5-inch thick floor slab for the building should incorporate No. 4 reinforcing steel at 24 inches on center, each way, chaired, tied (100 percent) and tied to the footing steel, or wire mesh equivalent. The final design for reinforcement should be completed by a registered structural engineer.

Stepping of the foundations would be essential to maintain contact with the subsurface rock layer.

5.9 Conventional Surface-Level Spread Foundations Bearing on Existing Fill Soils, with Slabs Bearing on Existing Fill Soil

In order to minimize differential settlement between the new and existing structures, it is recommended that all surface-level foundations and isolated exterior foundations bearing on existing fill and be embedded a minimum of 3.5 feet below the lowest adjacent finish pad grade within 5.0 feet of proposed exterior walls.

The column labeled Bearing Stratum refers to the soil layer that the footing pad rests on, and does not mean to imply that the foundation be fully embedded into that particular stratum.

Conventional Surface Level Foundations Bearing on Existing Fill at a Minimum Depth of 3.5 feet

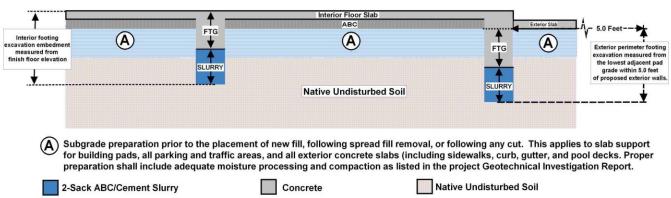
| Foundation Embedment Depth (ft) | Bearing Stratum | Allowable Soil Bearing Capacity |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 3.5 | Existing Fill | 1500 PSF |
| 4.0 | Existing Fill | 1750 PSF |
| 4.5 | Existing Fill | 2000 PSF |

A mixture of 2-sack ABC/cement slurry may be utilized in the lower portions of the foundation excavations for footings bearing on native undisturbed soil. For example, if 2-Sack ABC/cement



slurry is used, 2.0 feet of the mixture should underlie a conventional foundation depth of 1.5 feet for an allowable soil bearing capacity of 1500 psf.

Refer to the following diagram for general guidelines for placing footings on 2-Sack ABC/cement slurry. The preceding table shall govern the thickness of 2-sack ABC/cement slurry depending on the allowable soil bearing capacity selected.



GENERAL DIAGRAM FOR FOUNDATIONS BEARING ON 2-SACK ABC/CEMENT SLURRY

Special note for conventional surface-level foundations:

Double reinforcement shall be required for all conventional surface-level foundations. Double reinforcement for footings should include four No. 4 bars, two near the bottom (tension side) and two near the top (compression side) of the footing (double reinforcement-equal distribution of steel on each side of the neutral axis).

Special note for floor slabs bearing on existing fill:

A 5-inch thick floor slab for the building should incorporate No. 4 reinforcing steel at 24 inches on center, each way, chaired, tied (100 percent) and tied to the footing steel, or wire mesh equivalent. The final design for reinforcement should be completed by a registered structural engineer.

For all construction, 2.0 feet and 1.33 feet are recommended as the minimum width of spread and continuous footings, respectively. The following table may be used in the design of shallow spread (*column*) and continuous (*wall*) foundations for the proposed structures.

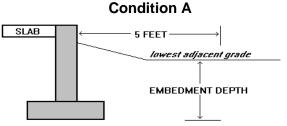
Special note: Foundations for free-end retaining walls may utilize allowable soil / rock bearing capacities that are double the above listed values, corresponding to 1" of allowable total settlement and 1/2" of allowable differential settlement.

The above bearing values and associated allowable loads are based on a total settlement of ½ inch. The allowable loads are based on maximum footing sizes of 3 and 7 feet for continuous and spread footings, respectively. Greater loads and larger footings may be accommodated by the listed bearing values, if there is toleration for increased settlements. This office should be contacted if this situation should arise.

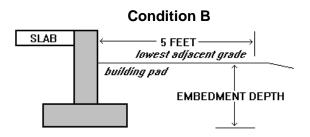


Explanation:

A) The depth below the lowest adjacent exterior pad grade within 5.0 feet of proposed exterior walls;



B) The depth below finish compacted pad grade provided that a sufficient pad blow-up (the lateral extent to which the building pad is constructed beyond the limits of the exterior walls or other structural elements, inclusive of exterior column foundations) has been incorporated into the grading and drainage design (5.0 feet or greater);



C) The depth below finish floor level for interior foundations.

The weight of the foundation below grade may be neglected in dead load computations. The above recommended bearing capacities should be considered allowable maximums for dead plus design live loads.

Retaining wall or building foundations to be constructed in close proximity to retention basins (*within 5.0 feet*) should be embedded 1.0 feet deeper than the stated depths in the preceding bearing capacity tables.

Shallow foundations that are adjacent to lower foundation areas must be stepped down so that their base is below the lower backfill materials, and below a line projected upward from the nearest lower foundation edge at a 45 degree angle.

The maximum estimated footing settlements (in situ) should be within tolerable limits of ½-inch if constructed in accordance with the recommendations contained in this report and a reasonable effort is made to balance loads on the footings. It is anticipated that differential settlement will be limited to ¼-inch. We recommend that continuous footings and stem walls are reinforced and bearing walls be constructed with frequent joints to better distribute stresses in the event of localized settlements. Similarly, all masonry walls should be provided with both vertical and



horizontal reinforcement. It is recommended that the footing excavations be inspected to ensure that they are free of loose soil which may have blown or sloughed into the excavations and that all of the footings will bear upon one of the preceding bearing conditions at the above-described depths.

Code compliant concrete, utilizing Type II cement, should be used for footings, stem walls and floor slabs. A maximum 4 inch slump should be used for footings and stem walls and a maximum 6 inch slump should be used for floor slabs.

5.10 Lateral Stability Analyses

The following are lateral stability parameters for existing spread fill:

^aFoundation Toe Pressures......1.33 x max. allowable

| | Existing Spread Fill |
|---|--|
| ^b Lateral Backfill Pressures: | |
| Unrestrained walls | 34 psf/ft. (controlled compacted fill) |
| Restrained wall ^c | 52 psf/ft. (controlled compacted fill) |
| Lateral Passive Pressures For Surficial Soils: | |
| Continuous walls/footings | 195 psf/ft. |
| Spread columns/footings | 291 psf/ft. |
| Coefficient of Base Friction For Surficial Soils: | |
| Independent of passive resistance | 0.53 |
| In conjunction with passive resistance | 0.36 |

The following parameters present recommendations for lateral stability for Layer 2, based on a friction angle of 38° and a unit weight of 130 pcf:

^aFoundation Toe Pressures......1.33 x max. allowable

| | Layer 2 ^d |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| ^b Lateral Backfill Pressures: | |
| Unrestrained walls | 34 psf/ft. (compacted fill) |
| Restrained wall ^{\circ} | 52 psf/ft. (compacted fill) |
| Lateral Passive Pressures For Surficial Soils: | |
| Continuous walls/footings | 366 psf/ft. |
| Spread columns/footings | 546 psf/ft. |
| Coefficient of Base Friction For Surficial Soils: | |
| Independent of passive resistance | 0.78 |
| In conjunction with passive resistance | 0.52 |
| Foundations for free-end retaining walls may utilize the Superscript Explanations | ne values shown in <mark>red</mark> . |



^aIncrease in allowable foundation bearing pressure (*previously stated*) for foundation toe pressures due to eccentric or lateral loading.

^bEquivalent fluid pressures for vertical walls and horizontal backfill surfaces (*maximum 12.0 feet in height*). Pressures do not include temporary forces during compaction of the backfill, expansion pressures developed by over-compacted clayey backfill, hydrostatic pressures from inundation of backfill, or surcharge loads. Walls should be suitably braced during backfilling to prevent damage and excessive deflection.

^CThe backfill pressure can be reduced to the unrestrained lateral pressure if the backfill zone between the wall and cut slope is a narrow wedge (*width less than 1/2 the height*).

^dThe values listed are predicated on conformance to the recommended cut slope ratios provided herein. Non-conformance to the recommended cut slope ratios will result in significantly higher active stresses.

The equivalent fluid pressures presented herein do not include the lateral pressures arising from the presence of:

- Hydrostatic conditions, submergence or partial submergence
- Sloping backfill, positively or negatively
- Surcharge loading, permanent or temporary
- Seismic or dynamic conditions

We recommend a free-draining soil layer or manufactured geosynthetic material, be constructed adjacent to the back of any retaining walls serving as basement walls. A filter fabric may be required between the soil backfill and drainage layer. The drainage zone should help prevent development of hydrostatic pressure on the wall. This vertical drainage zone should be tied into a gravity drainage system at the base of the wall. Fill against footings, stem walls, and any retaining walls should be compacted to the densities specified in Site Preparation. High plasticity clay soils should not be used as backfill against retaining walls.

Compaction of each lift adjacent to walls should be accomplished with hand-operated tampers or other lightweight compactors. Overcompaction may cause excessive lateral earth pressures that could result in wall movements.

5.11 Conventional Slab Support

Site grading within the building areas should be accomplished as recommended herein. Four inches of aggregate base course (ABC) floor fill should immediately underlie interior grade floor slabs with a typical thickness of 4 inches. The aggregate base material should conform to the requirements of local practice.

Special note for floor slabs bearing on existing fill:

A 5-inch thick floor slab for the building should incorporate No. 4 reinforcing steel at 24 inches on center, each way, chaired, tied (100 percent) and tied to the footing



steel, or wire mesh equivalent. The final design for reinforcement should be completed by a registered structural engineer.

The use of vapor retarders may be considered for any slab-on-grade where the floor will be covered by products using water based adhesives, wood, vinyl backed carpet, impermeable floor coatings (urethane, epoxy, or acrylic terrazzo). When used, the design and installation should be in accordance with the recommendation given in ACI 302.1R-96.

Building pads for conventional systems may be constructed with sufficient lateral pad "blow-up" to accommodate the entire perimeter slab width. To further reduce the potential for slab related damage in conjunction with conventional systems, we recommend the following:

- 1. Placement of effective control joints on relatively close centers
- 2. Proper moisture and density control during placement of subgrade fills
- 3. Provision for adequate drainage in areas adjoining the slabs
- 4. Use of designs that allow for the differential vertical movement described herein between the slabs and adjoining structural elements, i.e. ¹/₄ inch
- 5. Utilization of 2-sack ABC/cement slurry as backfill at the intersection of utility trenches with the building perimeter

5.12 Drainage

The major cause of soil problems in this locality is moisture increase in soils below structures. Therefore, it is extremely important that positive drainage be provided during construction and maintained throughout the life of any proposed development. In no case should long-term ponding be allowed near structures. Infiltration of water into utility or foundation excavations must be prevented during construction. Planters or other surface features that could retain water adjacent to buildings should not be constructed.

In areas where sidewalks or paving do not immediately adjoin structures, protective slopes should be provided with an outfall of about 2 percent for at least 10.0 feet from perimeter walls. Backfill against footings, exterior walls, retaining walls, and in utility or sprinkler line trenches should be well compacted and free of all construction debris to minimize the possibility of moisture infiltration through loose soil.

Roof drainage systems, such as gutters or rain dispenser devices, are recommended all around the roof-line. Rain runoff from roofs should be discharged at least 10.0 feet from any perimeter wall or column footing. If a roof drainage system is not installed, rain-water will drip over the eaves and fall next to the foundations resulting in sub-grade soil erosion, creating depressions in the soil mass, which may allow water to seep directly under the foundations and slabs.

5.13 Landscaping Considerations

The potential for unwanted foundation and slab movements can often be reduced or minimized by following certain landscape practices. The main goal for proper landscape design should be to minimize fluctuations in the moisture content of the soils surrounding the structure. In addition to maintaining positive drainage away from the structure, appropriate plant/tree selections and sprinkler/irrigation practices are extremely important to the long-term performance of the foundations and slabs. The conventional practice of planting near foundations is not



recommended. Flower, shrub, and tree distances should be maintained according to the following table. Note that for planting distances less than 5.0 and 10.0 feet for flowers/shrubs and trees respectively, the adjoining foundation embedment depths will need to increase.

| Flowers & Shrub Planting Distance | Tree Planting Distance | Design Changes |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| 5 feet | 10 feet | - |
| 4 feet ¹ | 9 feet | Increase footing depth by 6.0 inches ² |
| 3 feet ¹ | 8 feet | Increase footing depth by 12.0 inches ² |
| 2 feet ¹ | 7 feet | Increase footing depth by 18.0 inches ² |

| Foundation Design Alterations Due to Landscaping | Foundation | Design | Alterations | Due to | Landscaping |
|--|------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|
|--|------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|

¹Verification from the landscape architect that low water consumption plants are being installed must be submitted to this office for approval.

²The use of 2-sack ABC cement slurry may be implemented to provide the requisite embedment depth increase below a more conventional foundation detail.

Ground cover plants with low water requirements may be acceptable for landscaping near foundations. Ground cover vegetation helps to reduce fluctuations in the soil moisture content. Limit the watering to the minimum needed to maintain the ground cover vegetation near foundations. For greater moisture control, water these areas by hand.

For planters and general landscaping, we recommend the following:

- Planters should be sealed.
- Grades should slope away from the structures.
- Only shallow rooted landscaping material should be used.
- Watering should be kept to a minimum.

Some trees may have extensive shallow root system that may grow under and displace shallow foundations. In addition, tree roots draw moisture from the surrounding soils, which may exacerbate shrink/swell cycles of the surface soils. The amount of moisture drawn out of the soil will depend on the tree species, size, and location. If trees are planted well away from foundations in irrigated areas, the chances of foundation damage are greatly reduced. If irrigation/sprinkler systems are to be used, we recommended installing the system all around the structure to provide uniform moisture throughout the year. The sprinkler system should be checked for leakages once per month. Significant foundation movements can occur if the soils under the foundations are exposed to a source of free water.

5.14 Foundations and Risks

The factors that aid in the design and construction of lightly loaded foundations include economics, risk, soil type, foundation shape and structural loading. Most of the time, foundation systems are selected by the owner/builder, which as a result of economic considerations, accept higher risks in foundation design. It should be noted that some levels of risk are associated with all foundation systems and there is no such thing as a "zero-risk" foundation. It also should be



noted that the previous foundation recommendations are not designed to resist soil movements as a result of sewer/plumbing leaks, excessive irrigation, poor drainage, and water ponding near the foundation system. It is recommended that the owner implement a foundation maintenance program to help reduce potential future unwanted foundation/slab movements throughout the useful life of the structure.

The owner should conduct yearly observation of foundations and slabs and perform any maintenance necessary to improve drainage and minimize infiltrations of water from precipitation and/or irrigation. Irrigation/sprinkler systems should be periodically monitored for leaks and malfunctioning sprinkler heads, which should be repaired immediately. Post-construction landscaping should be carefully designed to preserve initial site grading.

6.0 ADDITIONAL SERVICES

As an additional service, this firm would be pleased to review the project plans and structural notes for conformance to the intent of this report. Vann Engineering, Inc. should be retained to provide documentation that the recommendations set forth are met. These include but are not limited to documentation of site clearing activities, verification of fill suitability and compaction, and inspection of footing excavations. Relative to field density testing, a minimum of 1 field density test should be taken for every 2500 square feet of building area, per 6.0-inch layer of compacted fill. This firm possesses the capability of performing testing and inspection services during the course of construction. Such services include, but are not limited to, compaction testing as related to fill control, foundation inspections and concrete sampling. Please notify this firm if a proposal for these services is desired.

7.0 LIMITATIONS

The materials encountered on the site are believed to be representative of the total area; however, soil and rock materials do vary in character between points of investigation. The recommendations contained in this report assume that the soil conditions do not deviate appreciably from those disclosed by the investigation. Should unusual material or conditions be encountered during construction, the soil engineer must be notified so that supplemental recommendations may be considered if they are required.

This report is not intended as a bidding document, and any contractor reviewing this report must draw his own conclusions regarding specific construction techniques to be used on this project. The scope of services carried out by this firm does not include an evaluation pertaining to environmental issues. If these services are required by the lender, we would be most pleased to discuss the varying degrees of environmental site assessments.

This report is issued with the understanding that it is the responsibility of the owner to see that its provisions are carried out or brought to the attention of those concerned. In the event that any changes of the proposed project are planned, the conclusions and recommendations contained in this report shall be reviewed and the report shall be modified or supplemented as necessary. Prior to construction, we recommend the following:

1. Consultation with the design team in all areas that concern soils and rocks to ensure a clear understanding of all key elements contained within this report.



- 2. Review of the General Structural Notes to confirm compliance to this report and determination of which allowable soil bearing capacity has been selected by the project structural engineer (this directly affects the extent of earthwork and foundation preparation at the site).
- 3. This firm be notified of all specific areas to be treated as special inspection items (designated by the architect, structural engineer or governmental agency).

Relative to this firm's involvement with the project during the course of construction, we offer the following recommendations:

- 1. The site or development owner should be directly responsible for the selection of the geotechnical consultant to provide testing and observation services during the course of construction.
- 2. This firm should be contracted by the owner to provide the course of construction testing and observation services for this project, as we are most familiar with the interpretation of the methodology followed herein.
- 3. All parties concerned should understand that there exists a priority surrounding the testing and observation services completed at the site.

It must be noted that this report and the recommendations contained herein are predicated on two reports serving in congress; 1) this report and 2) the Boulder Stability Evaluation. This report is, therefore, a portion of the overall study of the site. Because of the uniqueness of each report, the contents are constrained to separate submittals. Notwithstanding, the two reports will work together. The two reports are identified by the Project Number 24215.



DEFINITION OF TERMINOLOGY

| Allowable Soil Bearing Capacity Allowable Foundation Pressure | The recommended maximum contact stress developed at the interface of the foundation element and the supporting material. |
|--|--|
| Aggregate Base Course (ABC) | A sand and gravel mixture of specified gradation, used for slab and pavement support. |
| Backfill | A specified material placed and compacted in a confined area. |
| Base Course | A layer of specified material placed on a subgrade or subbase. |
| Base Course Grade | Top of base course. |
| Bench | A horizontal surface in a sloped deposit. |
| Caisson | A concrete foundation element cased in a circular excavation, which may have an enlarged base. Sometimes referred to as a cast-in-place pier. |
| Concrete Slabs-on-Grade | A concrete surface layer cast directly upon a base, subbase, or subgrade. |
| Controlled Compacted Fill | Engineered Fill. Specific material placed and compacted to specified density and/or moisture conditions under observation of a representative of a soil engineer. |
| Differential Settlement | Unequal settlement between or within foundation elements of a structure. |
| Existing Fill | Materials deposited through the action of man prior to exploration of the site. |
| Expansive Potential | The potential of a soil to increase in volume due to the absorption of moisture. |
| Fill | Materials deposited by the action of man. |
| Finish Grade | The final grade created as a part of the project. |
| Heave | Upward movement due to expansion or frost action. |
| Native Grade | The naturally occurring ground surface. |
| Native Soil | Naturally occurring on-site soil. |
| Over excavate | Lateral extent of subexcavation. |
| Rock | A natural aggregate of mineral grains connected by strong and permanent cohesive forces. Usually requires drilling, wedging, blasting, or other methods of extraordinary force for excavation. |
| Scarify | To mechanically loosen soil or break down the existing soil structure. |
| Settlement | Downward movement of the soil mass and structure due to vertical loading. |
| Soil | Any unconsolidated material composed of disintegrated vegetable or mineral matter which can be separated by gentle mechanical means, such as agitation in water. |
| Strip | To remove from present location. |
| Subbase | A layer of specified material between the subgrade and base course. |
| Subexcavate | Vertical zone of soil removal and recompaction required for adequate foundation or slab support |
| Subgrade | Prepared native soil surface. |

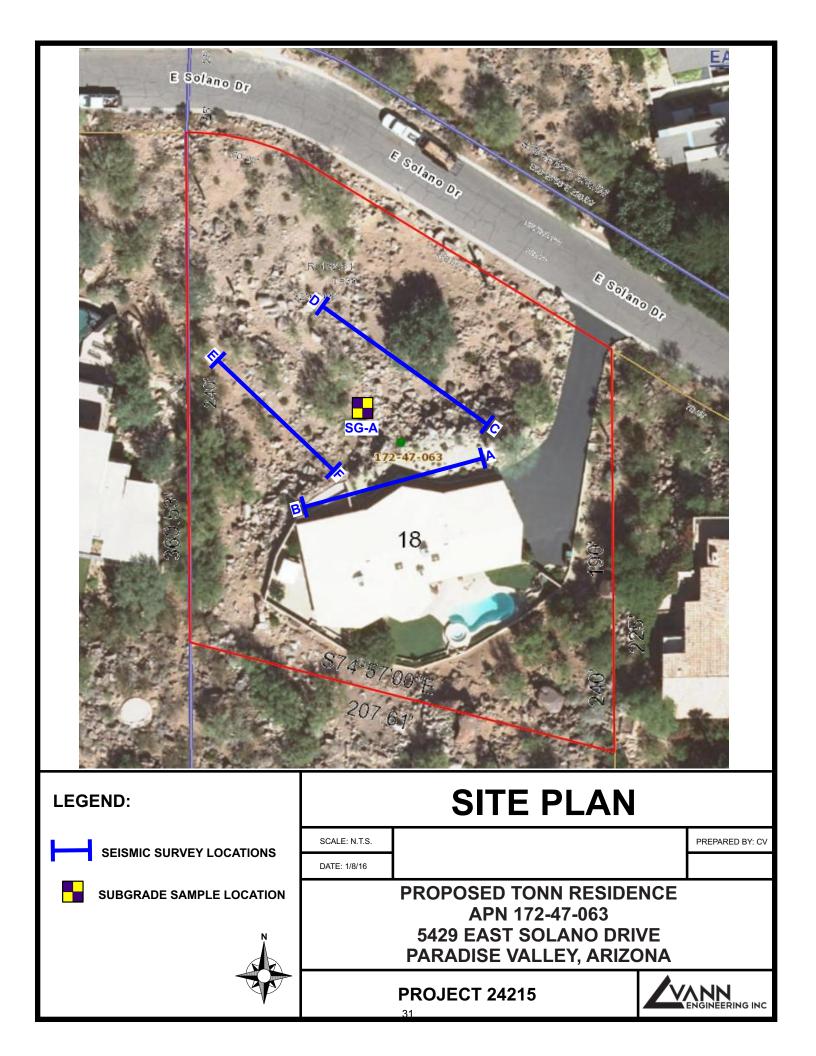




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PROJECT 24215

Average Velocity of Layer 1 = 1033 fps (886 to 1158)

Velocity of Layer 2 = 4292 fps (3618 to 4806)

Average Depth to Layer 2 = 5.4 feet

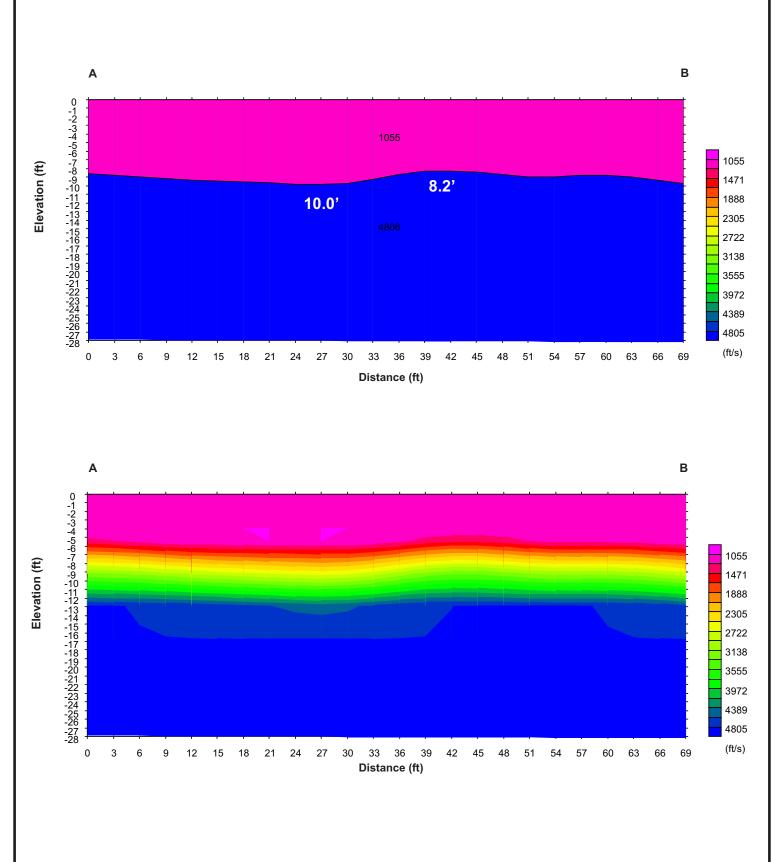
Range: 2.1 ft to 10.0 ft

LAYER 1: LOOSE TO MODERATELY DENSE COARSE-GRAINED ALLUVIUM AND FILL COMPRISED OF SILTY CLAYEY GRAVELLY SAND.

LAYER 2: HIGHLY TO MODERATELY WEATHERED AND FRACTURED, POOR, WEAK GRANITE ROCK

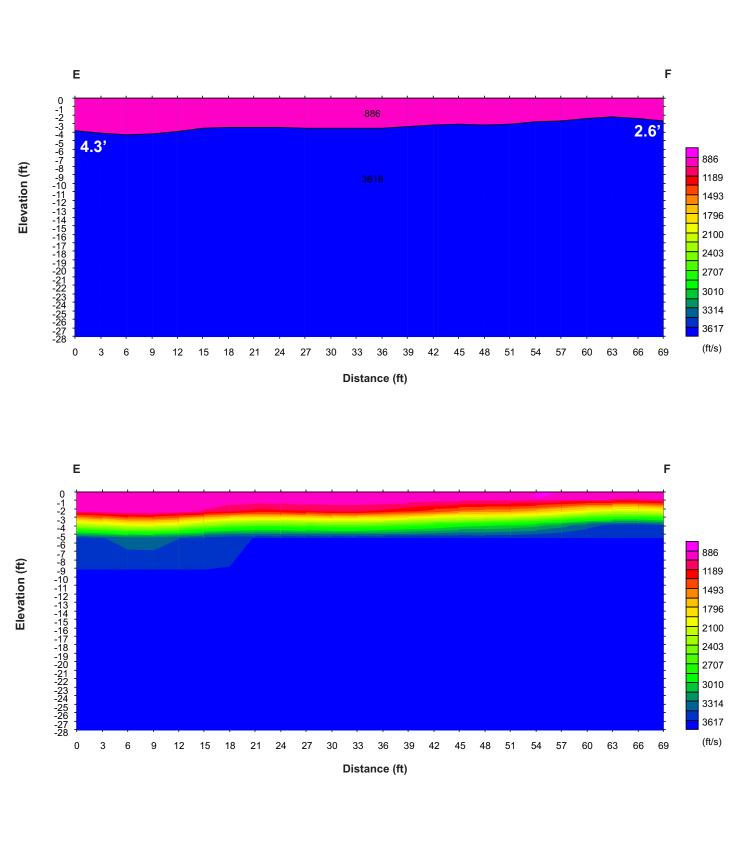
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| A-B | 1055 | - | - | 4806 | 8.2 | 10.0 |
| C-D | 1158 | - | - | 4451 | 2.4 | 5.2 |
| E-F | 886 | - | - | 3618 | 2.1 | 4.3 |
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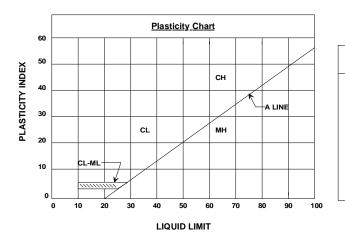
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CROSS SECTION SEISMIC SURVEY E-F



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| | | Major Divisio | Group Symbol | Typical Names | | | |
|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| Coarse-Grained Soils (Less than 50% passes No. 200 sieve) Sands Gravels than 50% of coarse | barse 4 sieve) | Clear | n Gravels | GW | Well graded gravels, gravel- sand mixtures, or sand-gravel- cobble mixtures. | | |
| | | | passes No. 200 sieve) | GP | Poorly graded gravels, gravel- sand mixtures, or sand-gravel- cobble mixtures. | | |
| | Gravels (50% or less or co fraction passes No. | Gravels with Fines (More than 12% | Limits plot below "A" line & hatched zone on Plasticity Chart. | GM | Silty gravels, gravel-sand-silt mixtures. | | |
| ined S asses | (50' fractio | passes No. 200 sieve) | Limits plots above "A" line & hatched zone on Plasticity Chart. | GC | Clayey gravels, gravel-sand- clay mixtures. | | |
| e-Gra 50% pi | oarse sieve) | Clean | Sands | SW | Well graded sands, gravelly sands. | | |
| Coarse-Grained (Less than 50% passe Sands (More than 50% of coarse | s % of co 8 No. 4 | (Less than 5% pa | asses No. 200 sieve) | SP | Poorly graded sands, gravelly sands. | | |
| | Sands (More than 50% of coarse fraction passes No. 4 sieve) | Sands with Fines (More than 12% | Limits plots below "A" line & hatched zone on Plasticity Chart. | SM | Silty sands, sand-silt mixtures. | | |
| | (More fractior | passes No. 200 sieve) | Limits plots above "A" line & hatched zone on Plasticity Chart. | SC | Clayey sands, sand-clay mixtures. | | |
| sieve) elow "A" ned zone v Chart | elow "A" ed zone r Chart | | | ML | Inorganic silts, clayey silts with slight plasticity. | | |
| d Soils ses No. 200 | Silts of Low Plasticity (Liquid Limit Less Than 50 (Liquid Limit Less Than 50 (Liquid Limit Less Than 50 (Liquid Limit More Than 50 (Liquid Limit More Than 50 (Liquid Limit More Than 50 | | МН | Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous silty soils, elastic silts. | | | |
| Fine-Grained Soils (50% or more passes No. 200 sieve) Clave-Diot above "4" Stite-Diot balow "2 | vs-Plot above "A" & hatched zone Plasticity Chart | | _ow Plasticity t Less Than 50) | CL | Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays. | | |
| | Clays-Plot above " line & hatched zon on Plasticity Chart | | High Plasticity t More Than 50) | СН | Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays, sandy clays of high plasticity. | | |



DEFINITIONS OF SOIL FRACTIONS

| SOIL COMPONENT | PARTICLE SIZE RANGE |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| Cobbles | Above 3 in. |
| Gravel | 3 in. to No. 4 sieve |
| Coarse gravel | 3 in. to 3/4 in. |
| Fine gravel | 3/4 in. to No. 4 sieve |
| Sand | No. 4 to No. 200 |
| Coarse | No. 4 to No. 10 |
| Medium | No. 10 to No. 40 |
| Fine | No. 40 to No. 200 |
| Fines (silt or clay) | Below No. 200 sieve |

INTRODUCTION TO SEISMIC REFRACTION PRINCIPLES

Any disturbance to a soil or rock mass creates seismic waves which are merely the propagation of energy into that mass, manifested by distinct waveforms. There are two basic types of seismic waves; body waves and surface waves.

Body waves are either compressional or shear in nature, they penetrate deep into the substrata, and reflect from or refract through the various geologic layers. Any emission of an energy source into a medium exhibits both a compression wave (P Wave) and a shear wave (S Wave). P-Waves propagate in the form of oscillating pulses, traveling forward and backward, parallel to the direction of the wave front. S-Waves propagate in the form of distortional pulses, oscillating perpendicular to the wave front.

P-Waves travel at the highest velocities. Recording instruments that detect an energy transmission will generally observe the arrival of the P-Wave, followed by the S-Wave and surface waves.

All geologic materials exhibit P-Wave velocities in certain ranges, which relate to the density, specific gravity, elastic modulus, and moisture content of the specific material. As a material density and specific gravity increase so does its P-Wave velocity. Similarly, an increase in moisture content will cause an increase in P-Wave velocity. Generally, materials exhibiting higher P-Wave velocities will display higher elastic moduli.

In keeping with this relationship, determining the P-Wave velocities for the various subsurface layers, may yield very important and useful data relative to the engineering properties of the individual layers. In order to accomplish this task, methods of investigation, or surveys, were developed to establish the P-Wave velocity for subsurface layers. The method adopted by the VANN ENGINEERING INC Geophysical team examines the layer velocities, through refraction theory. Assuming that a P-Wave will refract through the various layers, according to the angle of incidence of the propagating wave form and the medium it is traveling through, it is then possible to detect a contrasting subsurface stratum by changes in the velocity of an induced seismic wave.

The procedure is outlined as follows:

A geophone is inserted into the ground or on a rock surface. Attached to it is a recording device. At predetermined intervals away from the geophone, in a linear array, a heavy sledgehammer strikes a stable plate or rock surface. Typically, the intervals of successive hammer impacts range from five to twenty feet. A timing device attached to the hammer, trips a measured recording sweep time, at the moment of impact. The arrival time of the induced P-Wave is measured and recorded at each interval. The length of a survey is closely related to the depth of investigation. Generally, the depth of investigation is approximately equal to one-third the length of the survey. For example, if it is desired to examine the substrata to a depth of twenty feet, the survey should extend a distance of at least sixty feet. Changes in the calculated velocity indicate strata breaks or distinct changes within the same stratum. The important concept to remember with this method is that it is predominantly effective where velocities increase from layer to layer, moving downward from the surface. Analytical methods are also available for determining the depth to the various layers, even in the most complex multi-layer situations



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SECTION III

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CLASSIFICATION TEST DATA

PROPOSED TONN RESIDENCE APN 172-47-063 5429 EAST SOLANO DRIVE PARADISE VALLEY, ARIZONA

| Sample | | Sieve Analysis (% Passing Sieve Size) | | | | | | Atterberg Limits | | | | Moisture Content |
|---------------------|----|--|----|----|-----|-----|------|---------------------|----|----|-------|---------------------|
| Location | 6" | 2" | 1" | #4 | #10 | #40 | #100 | #200 | LL | PI | USCS | % |
| TB-1 (1.0'-2.0') | - | - | - | 74 | 16 | 33 | - | 21 | 24 | 6 | SC-SM | 8.0 |

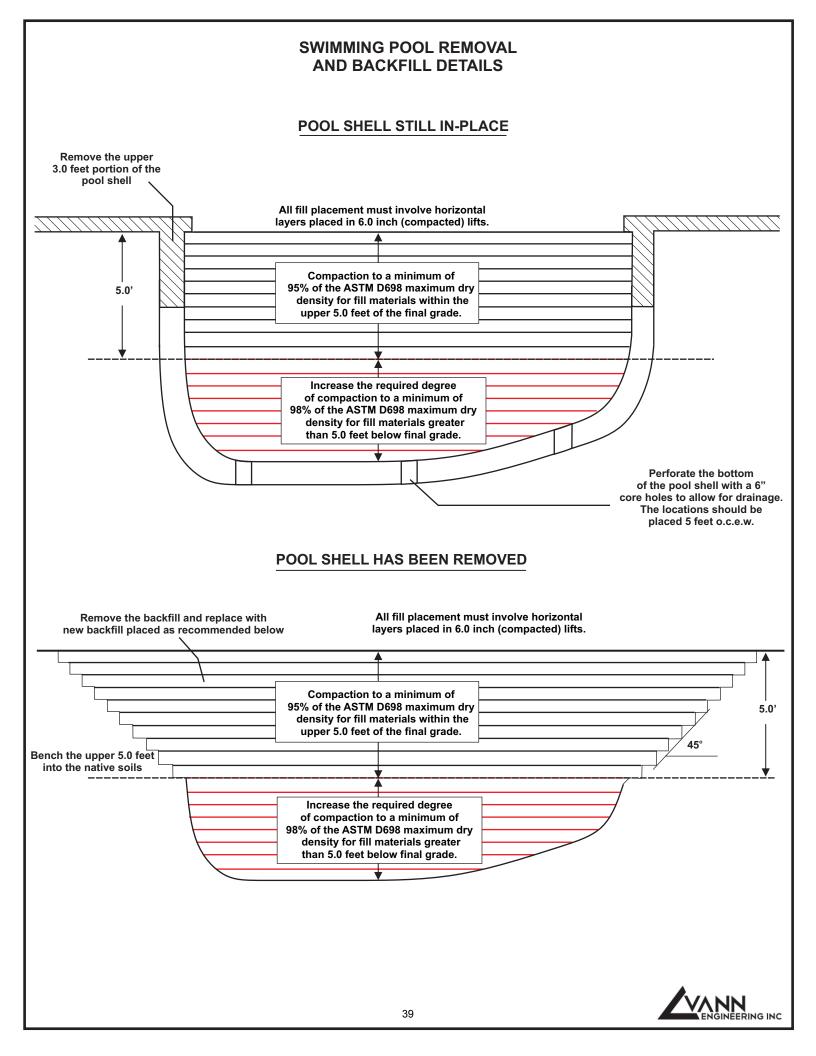
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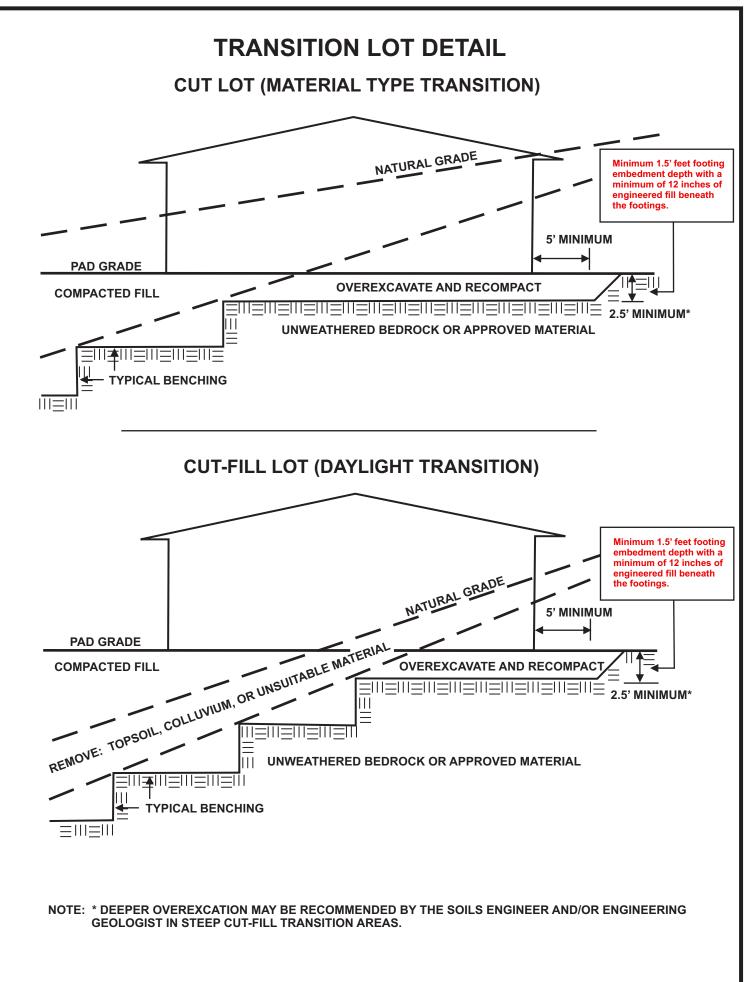


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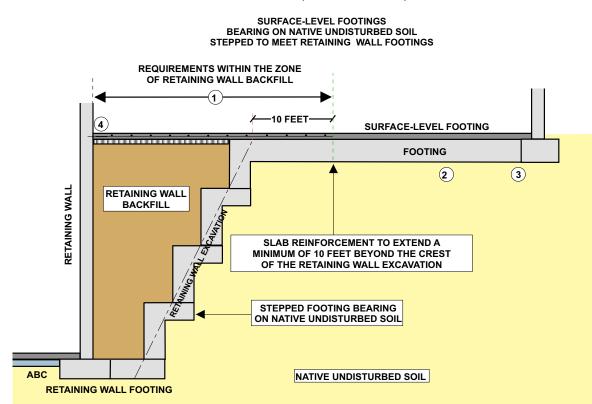
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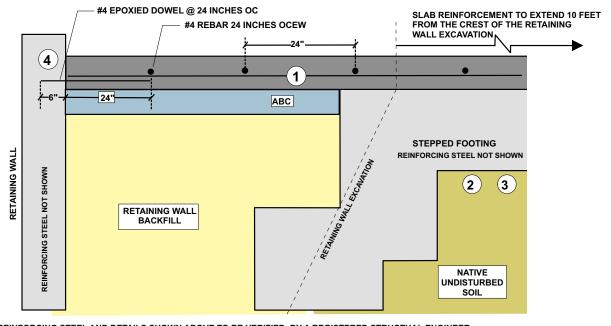


SURFACE TO RETAINING WALL FOOTING TRANSITIONS

OPTION A: (CROSS SECTION)

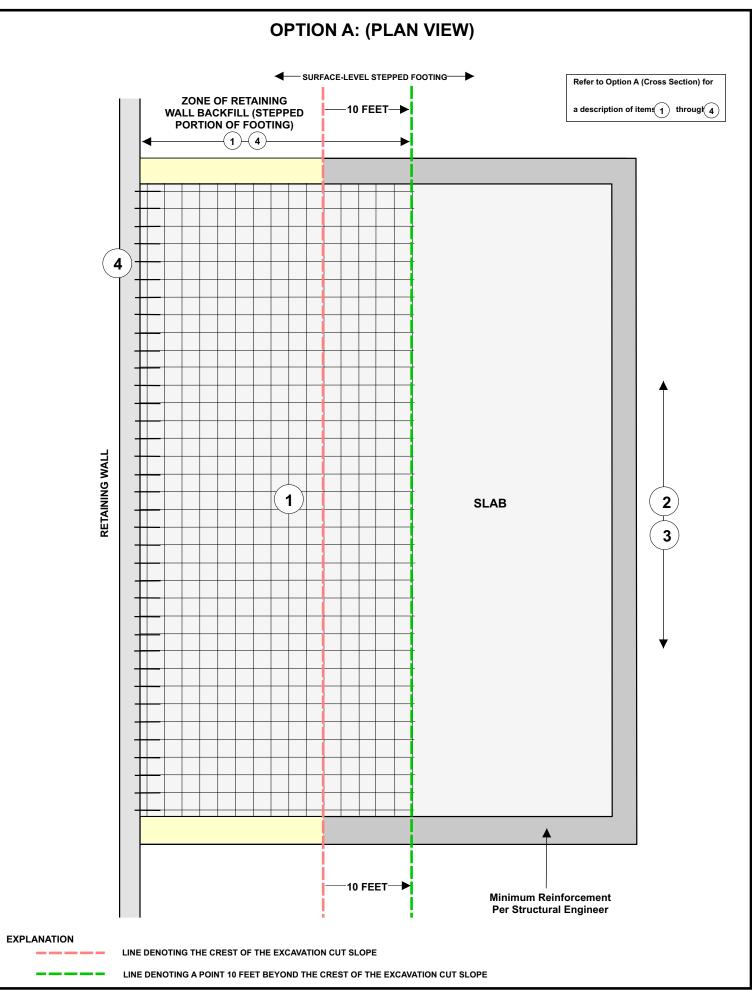


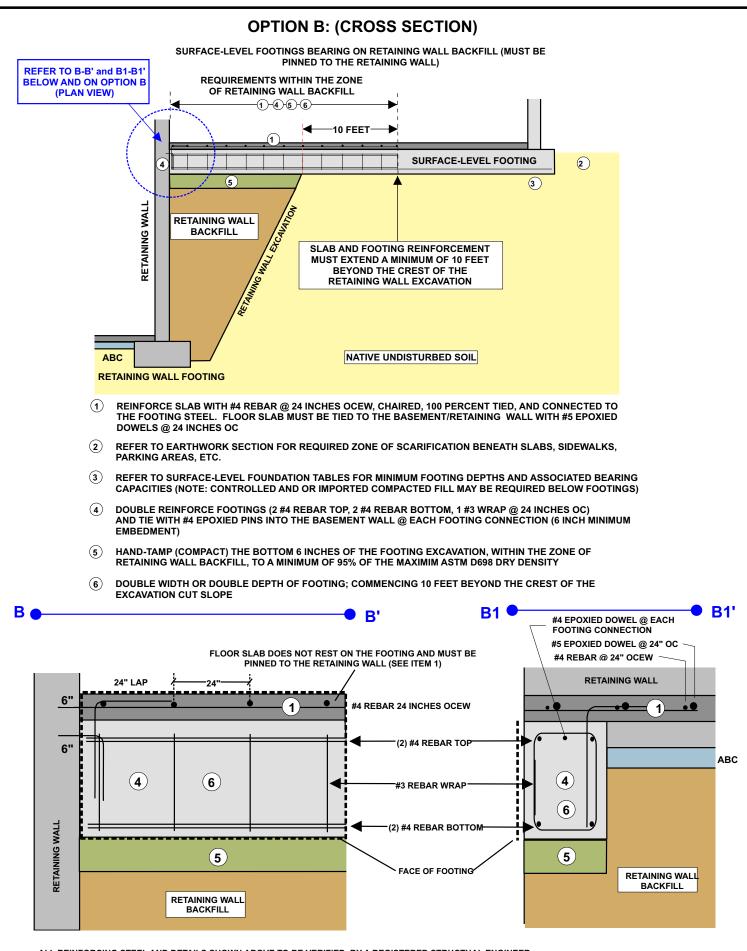
- (1) REINFORCE SLAB WITH #4 REBAR @ 24 INCHES OCEW, CHAIRED, 100 PERCENT TIED, AND CONNECTED TO THE FOOTING STEEL
- (2) REFER TO EARTHWORK SECTION FOR REQUIRED ZONE OF SCARIFICATION BENEATH SLABS, SIDEWALKS, PARKING AREAS, ETC.
- 3 REFER TO SURFACE-LEVEL FOUNDATION TABLES FOR MINIMUM FOOTING DEPTHS AND ASSOCIATED BEARING CAPACITIES (NOTE: CONTROLLED AND OR IMPORTED COMPACTED FILL MAY BE REQUIRED BELOW FOOTINGS)
- **4** #4 EPOXIED DOWEL @ 24 INCHES OC, MINIMUM 6 INCH EMBEDMENT INTO RETAINING WALL (LAP AND TIE 24 INCHES TO THE SLAB STEEL)



- ALL REINFORCING STEEL AND DETAILS SHOWN ABOVE TO BE VERIFIED BY A REGISTERED STRUCTUAL ENGINEER - ILLUSTRATIONS NOT TO SCALE

- REFER TO OPTION A (PLAN VIEW)

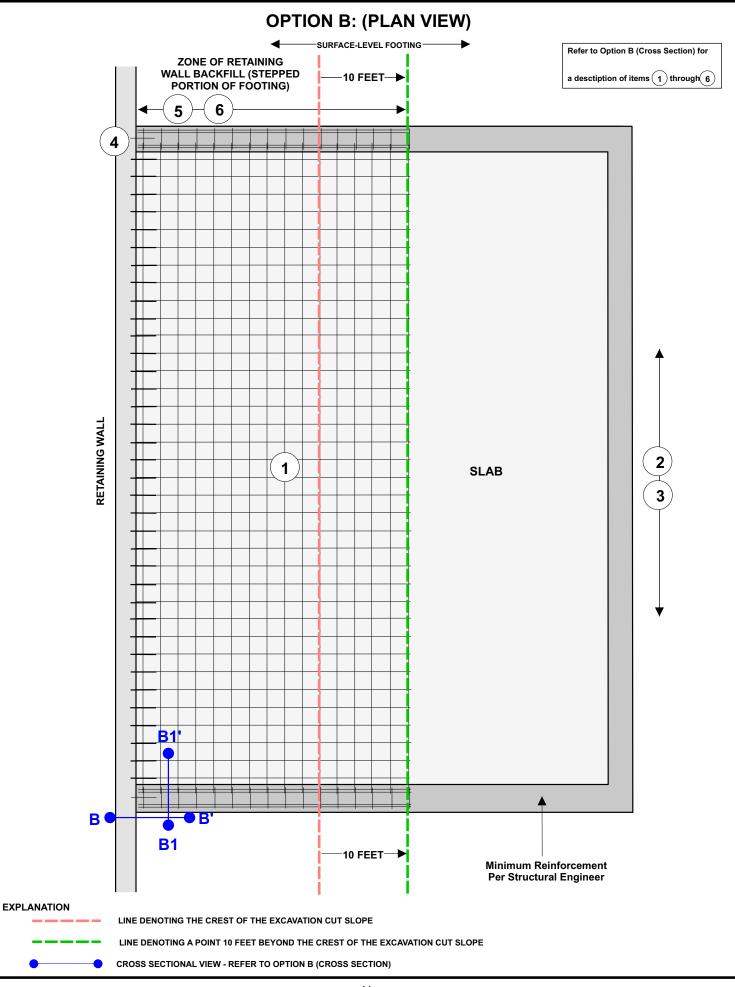


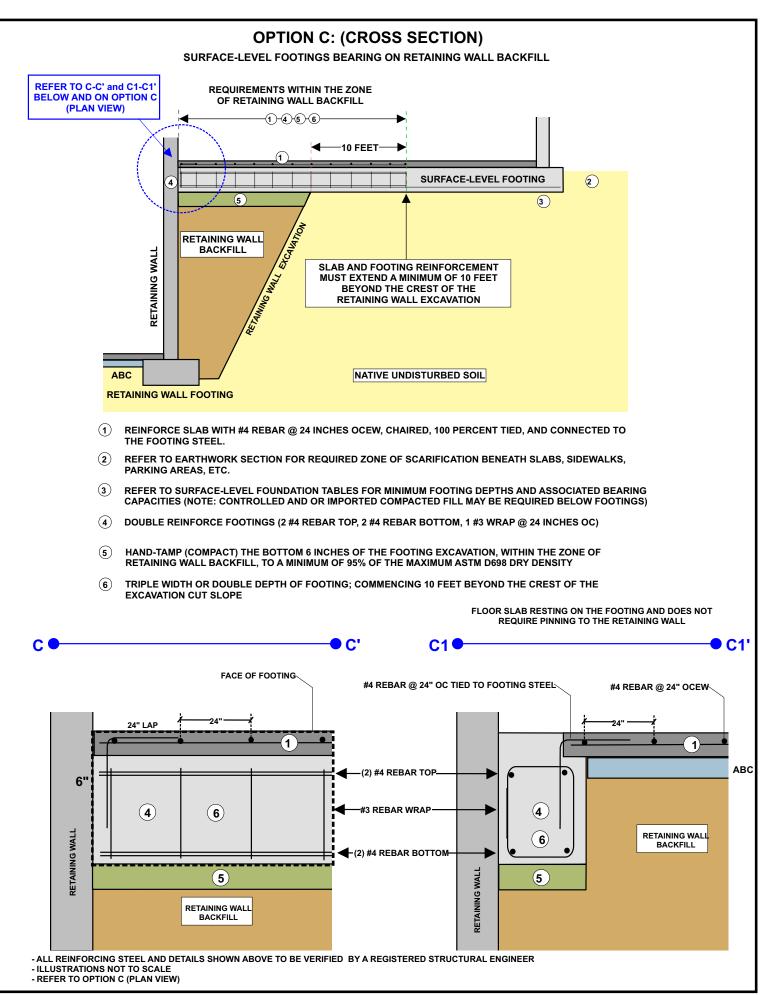


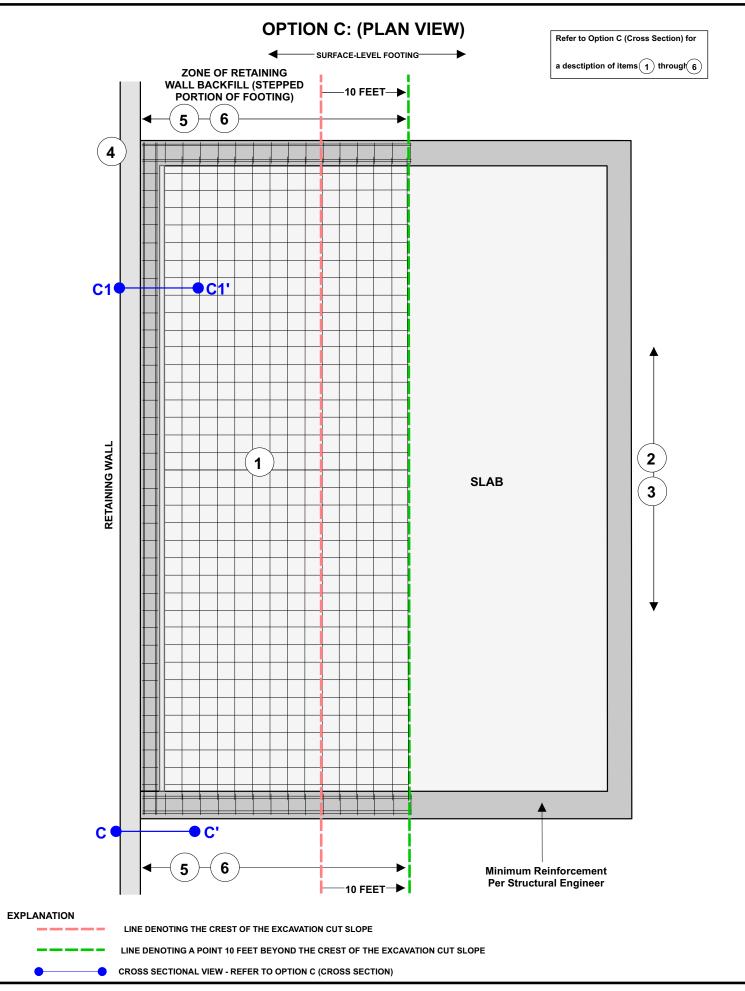
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