

Acid Sulfate Soils Investigation

Lot 40, No 136 Narrabeen Park Parade
Mona Vale NSW 2103



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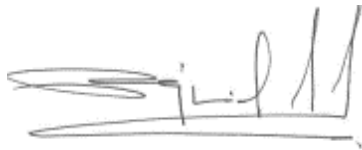
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1 Introduction

Intrax Consulting Engineers has completed a Acid Sulphate Soils Assessment (ASSA) for the proposed double storey residential dwelling at Lot. 40, No. 136, Narrabeen Park Parade, Mona Vale, NSW, 2103.

The investigation was carried out in accordance with the email fee proposal commissioned by Metricon Homes.

This report outlines the geotechnical site investigation carried out on 25/10/2019 and subsequent laboratory testing. The report includes the comment on the presence/absence of Acid Sulphate Soils (ASSA).

2 Project and Site Description

2.1 Project Description

Based on the information supplied by the client, it is understood that project would involve construction of a new single storey residential dwelling.

2.2 Site Description

The site is located to the west of Narrabeen Park Parade and occupies an area of about 594.4m². The site area slopes down to the south east at 9° to 10°. Site is occupied with a residential dwelling. Some medium size trees were observed at the rear of existing house. Site is bounded by

- Narrabeen Park Parade to the north.
- Residential dwellings to the south, east and west.

The surface soils generally comprised surficial fill overlying natural clay.

Site conditions on the date of inspection are visible in the attached photography in Appendix B with the site features indicated in the site plan, refer Appendix A.

3 Method of Investigation

3.1 Desktop Assessment

Geological maps from the Geological Survey of NSW, aerial photography and our local experienced were used to assess the anticipated site conditions and the area geology.

3.2 Fieldwork

The fieldwork consisted of drilling a total of four (4) boreholes (BH1 to BH4) to a maximum depth of 1.2 metres with solid flight auger powered by a Christie Engineering Hydraulic drill rig. The approximate locations of the boreholes are shown on the attached site plan in Appendix A. The subsurface materials were visually classified in accordance with AS1726-2017: Geotechnical Site Investigation.

Soil samples for acid sulfate assessment were collected using a stainless-steel trowel from the auger. Sampling tools were decontaminated between each sample collection using water, DECON 90 and a scrubbing brush. All samples were placed in glass jars with plastic caps and Teflon seals with minimum headspace. Each sample was labelled with job number, the sample location and date. All samples were recorded on the Chain of Custody (COC) record stored in our office files.

On completion of fieldwork, the samples were delivered under cold storage conditions to SGS Alexandria, a NATA registered laboratory, for analysis under Standard COC procedures.

3.3 Laboratory Testing

Laboratory testing included the following:

- Six samples for pH screening to aid in assessment of acid sulfate soils.

Results of laboratory test are outlined in section 5 and detailed in Appendix C.

4 Results of Investigation

4.1 Desktop Assessment

Investigation of geological maps from the Geological survey of NSW has identified the expected site geology is Newcastle Coal Measures (Pn) which comprise conglomerate, sandstone, tuff, shale, coal. This geology was consistent with the visual identification of material on site. An extract of the local geological map is provided below.

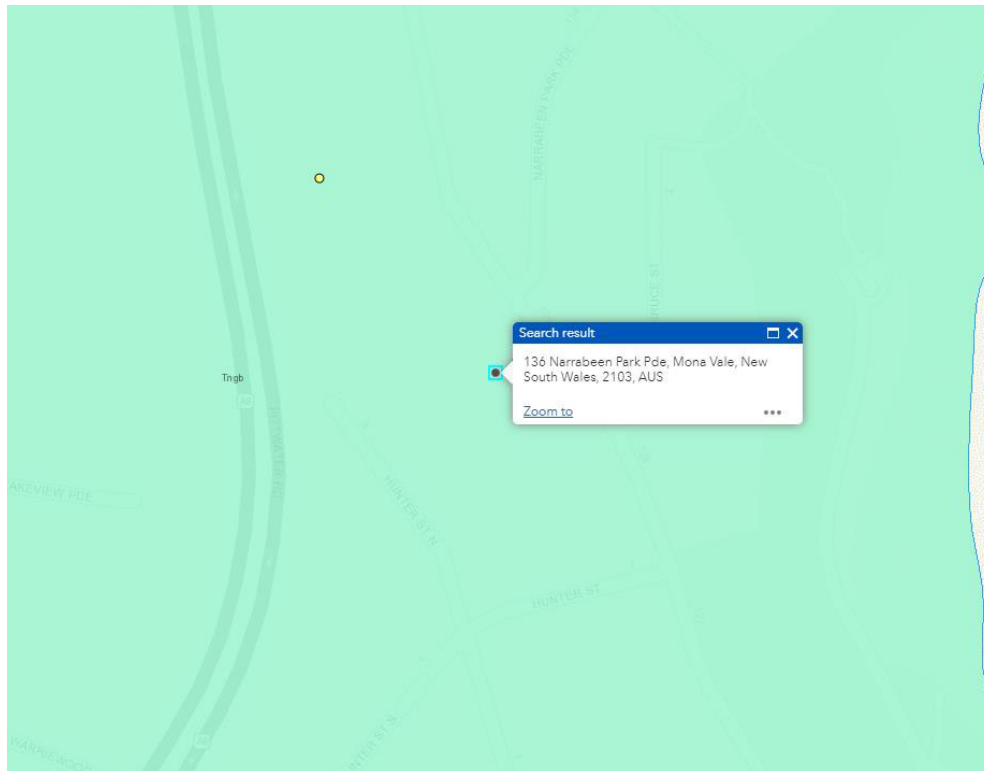


Figure 1: Extract of local geology, Intrax GIS database

4.2 Subsurface Conditions

The boreholes revealed the substrata typically consisted of the following soil profile. Variation from this profile existed across the site, refer to borehole logs in Appendix A for details.

FILL	Silty CLAY, medium plasticity, dark grey, trace sand gravel
NATURAL	CLAY, high plasticity, pale grey brown mottled orange, root material

4.2.1 Ground Water

Groundwater was not intersected at a depth of 1.2 meters during borehole drilling.

Substrata conditions encountered are such that infiltration and occurrence of perched water at the interface between different material layers should not be disregarded. site excavation should take note of this.

5 Acid Sulphate Soils Assessment (ASSA)

5.1 Definition and Theoretical Background

ASS are naturally occurring sediments and soils containing iron sulphides (principally iron sulphide, iron disulphide or their precursors). Oxidation of these soils through exposure to the atmosphere or through lowering of groundwater levels results in the generation of sulfuric acid.

Most ASS are of Holocene age (<10000 years) and their formation requires the presence of iron-rich sediments, sulphate (usually from sea water), removal of reaction products such as bicarbonate, the presence of sulphate-reducing bacteria and an abundant supply of organic matter. These conditions generally exist in mangroves, salt marshes, inter-tidal areas and on the beds of coastal rivers and lakes.

ASS is further sub-divided into Actual Acid Sulfate Soils (AASS) and Potential Acid Sulphate Soil (PASS). AASS and PASS are generally found in the same soil profile with AASS overlying PASS.

AASS are soils that contain highly acidic soil horizons or layers resulting from the oxidation of iron sulphides. The oxidation produces hydrogen ions in excess of the buffering or neutralising capacity of the soil.

PASS are soils containing iron sulphides or sulfidic material (usually ferrous iron disulphide or pyrite) which are waterlogged soils, rich in pyrite, that have not been exposed to air and oxidised. Any disturbance that admits oxygen (such as excavation works) will lead to the development of actual acid sulphate soil layers, which may pose an environmental risk.

5.2 Indicators of AASS and PASS

The Indicators of PASS materials are as follows:

Screening tests: PASS indicators include significant negative pH shifts during screening tests and pH following oxidation (pH_{fox}) below pH 3. Samples with pH_F < pH 4.0 indicate that in-situ conditions are already acidic. For pH_F approximately equal to 7 the soil is considered neutral.

Chromium Suite tests: Indicators of PASS materials include significant actual acidity (TAA greater than 18 Mole H⁺/t) and Chromium Reducible Sulphur percentages SCR greater than 0.03%. Samples with pH_{KCL} < 6.5 indicate that in-situ conditions are already somewhat acidic, but TAA greater than 18 mole H⁺/t is required for this to be significant (depending on scale of the job and nature of the soil).

5.3 Assessment Criteria

The ASSMAC (1998) action criteria for treatment of ASS based on the percentage of oxidisable sulphur or equivalent Titratable Actual Acidity (TAA) or Titratable Peroxide Acidity (TPA) for broad soil texture categories are presented in Table 3. When analysis results exceed the action criteria, a treatment regime and management plan for the materials is triggered. For disturbances of less than 1000 tonnes, the action criteria vary according to the texture of the material, however if more than 1000 tonnes is to be disturbed, all action criteria are the same: S% 0.03% and Acid 18 mole H⁺/tonne. For the purposes of this assessment the criteria applicable for disturbing less than 1000 tonnes of soil disturbed has been adopted with a coarse texture.

The action criteria for ASS soil analysis are presented below.

Table 4.4. Action criteria based on ASS soil analysis for three broad texture categories					
<i>Type of Material</i>		<i>Action Criteria</i>		<i>Action Criteria if more than</i>	
<i>Texture range. McDonald et al. (1990)</i>	<i>Approx. clay content (% < 0.002 mm)</i>	<i>1-1000 tonnes disturbed</i>	<i>1000 tonnes disturbed</i>	<i>1000 tonnes disturbed</i>	<i>1000 tonnes disturbed</i>
		<i>Sulfur trail</i>	<i>Acid trail</i>	<i>Sulfur trail</i>	<i>Acid trail</i>
		<i>% S oxidisable (oven-dry basis) eg S_{ox} or S_{oxs}</i>	<i>mol H⁺/tonne (oven-dry basis) eg, TPA or TSA</i>	<i>% S oxidisable (oven-dry basis) eg S_{ox} or S_{oxs}</i>	<i>mol H⁺/tonne (oven-dry basis) eg, TPA or TSA</i>
Coarse Texture Sands to loamy sands	≤5	0.03	18	0.03	18
Medium Texture Sandy loams to light clays	5 - 40	0.06	36	0.03	18
Fine Texture Medium to heavy clays and silty clays	≥40	0.1	62	0.03	18

Figure 2: Extract from Stone, Y, Ahern CR, and Blunden B (1998)

5.4 Laboratory Test Results

5.4.1 pH Screening Testing

Six (6) samples were collected from BH1 to BH4 to test for pH screening tests to assess the actual and potential acidity of insitu samples.

A summary of pH screening test results is presented in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Field pH and Peroxide pH Test Results

Sample Location/Depth (m)	pH	Peroxide pH	pH Reduction	Reaction Rate
BH1-0.5	6.3	5.4	1.0	X
BH1-1.0	6.2	5.5	0.7	X
BH1-1.3	5.1	5.6	-0.5	X
BH2-0.5	6.1	5.6	0.5	X
BH2-1.0	6.2	5.1	1.0	XX
BH2-1.5	5.3	4.5	0.8	XX

Note: Reaction Rate means x – Slight; xx – Moderate; xxx – Strong; xxxx – Extreme/Vigorous

6 Conclusion

Based on the above SGS screening test results, it is assessed that insitu soils does not contain any Actual or potential acid sulfate soils. Therefore, no Acid Sulfate Soil Management is required for this site. Inspections (Hold Points)

7 Limitations of Report

1. The recommendations in this report are based on the following:
 - a. Information about the site & its history, proposed site treatment and building type conveyed to us by the client and or their agent
 - b. Professional judgements and opinions using the most recent information in soil testing practice that is available to us.
 - c. The location of our test sites and the information gained from this and other investigations.

Should the client or their agent neglect to supply us with correct or relevant information, including information about previous buildings, trees or past activities on the site, or should changes be made to the building type, size and or/position, this report may be made obsolete, irrelevant or unsuitable. In such cases, Intrax will not accept any liability for the consequences and Intrax reserves the right to make an additional charge if more testing or a change to the report is necessary.

2. The recommendations made in this report may need to be reviewed should any site works disturb any soil 200mm below the proposed founding depth.
3. The descriptions of the soils encountered in the boreholes follow those outlined in AS1726-2017; Geotechnical Site Investigations. Colour descriptions can vary with soil moisture content and individual interpretation.
4. If the site conditions at the time of construction differ from those described in this report then Intrax must be contacted so a site inspection can be carried out prior to any footing being poured. The owner/builder will be responsible for any fees associated with this additional work.
5. This report assumes that the soil profile observed in the boreholes are representative of the entire site. If the soil profile and site conditions appear to differ substantially from those reported herein, then Intrax should be contacted immediately and this report may need to be reviewed and amended where appropriate. The owner/builder will be responsible for any fees associated with this additional work.
6. The user of this report must take into account the following limitations. Soil and drilling depths are given to a tolerance of +/- 200mm.

It must be understood and a condition of acceptance of this report is that whilst every effort is made to identify fill material across the site, difficulties exist in determining fill material, in particular, for example, well compacted site or area derived fill, when utilising a small diameter auger. Consequently Intrax emphasises that we will not be responsible for any financial losses, consequential or otherwise, that may occur as a result of not accurately determining the fill profile across the site.

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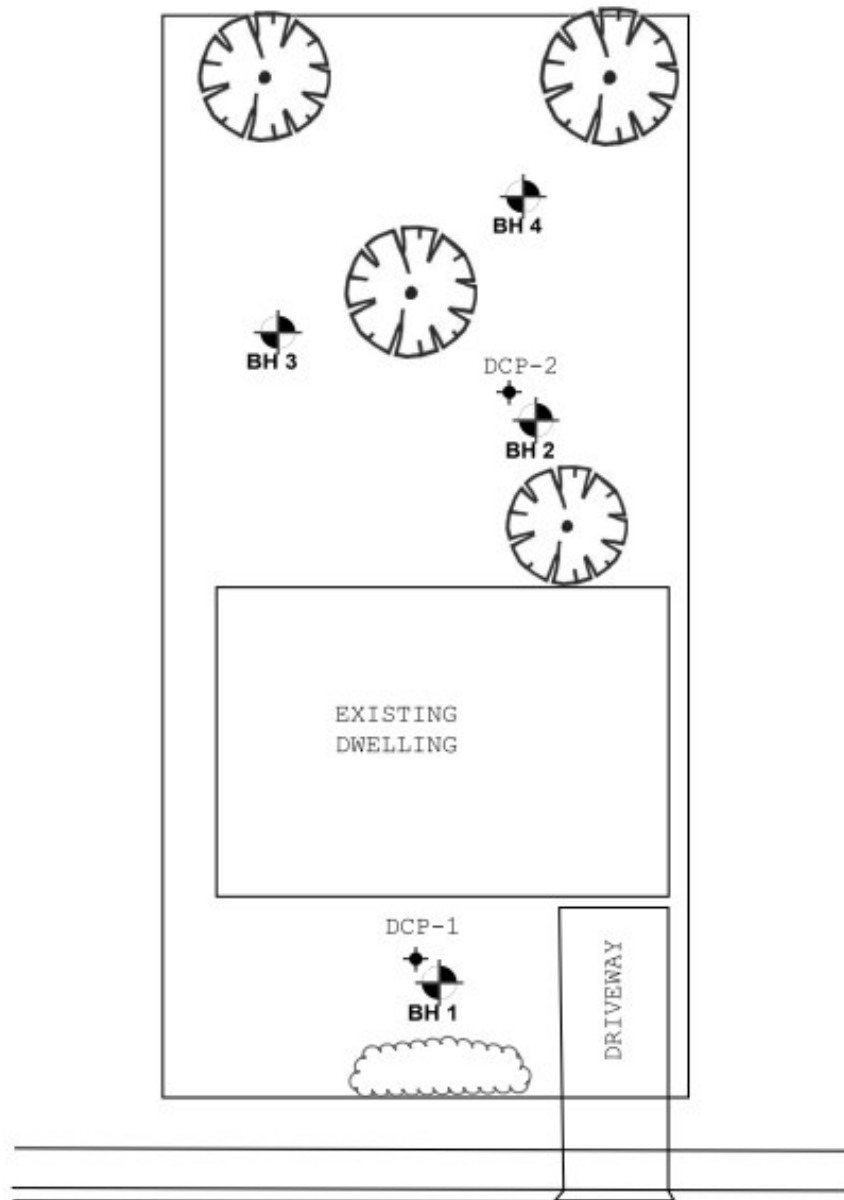
Appendix A

Site Plan and Borehole Logs

Site Plan

Site Address

Lot. 40, No. 136, Narrabeen Park Parade, Mona Vale, Nsw, 2103



Client: Metricon Homes Pty Ltd

Project: Lot. 40, No. 136, Narrabeen Park Parade, Mona Vale, NSW, 2103

Drawing: Site Plan

Scale (A4): Not to scale

Date: 01.11.2019

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Borehole Log: BH1			Sheet: 1 of 1					
Client: Metricon Homes Pty Ltd			Drill Rig: Christie Mechanical Rig					
Project: Proposed Residential Dwelling			Logged: RS					
Location: No. 136, Narrabeen Park Parade, Mona Vale, NSW			Date: 25/10/2019					
Method	Depth (metres)	DCP blows count	Material Description	Soil Classification	Moisture	Consistency / Density	Structure, Origin, Water and Additional Observations	Disturbed Samples (D)
MA	0.50		Silty CLAY, medium plasticity, dark brown mottled black orange, root material, trace sand gravel	CI	>PL		FILL	D at 0.5m
	1.00		CLAY, high plasticity, pale grey brown mottled orange, root material, trace gravel	CH	>PL		NATURAL	D at 1.0m D at 1.3m
	1.50		Groundwater was not encountered BH1 terminated at 1.3m depth					
	2.00							
	2.50							
	3.00							
	3.50							
	4.00							
	4.50							
	5.00							
This borehole log is to be read in conjunction with the explanatory notes appended to the set of logs. This borehole log is not be reproduced without the full inclusion of all explanatory notes.								

Borehole Log: BH2			Sheet: 1 of 1					
Client: Metricon Homes Pty Ltd			Drill Rig: Christie Mechanical Rig					
Project: Proposed Residential Dwelling			Logged: RS					
Location: Lot. 40, No. 136, Narrabeen Park Parade, Mona V.			Date: 25/10/2019					
Method	Depth (metres)	DCP blows count	Material Description	Soil Classification	Moisture	Consistency / Density	Structure, Origin, Water and Additional Observations	Disturbed Samples (D)
MA	0.50		Silty CLAY, medium plasticity, dark brown mottled black orange, root material, trace sand gravel	CI	>PL		FILL	D at 0.5m
	1.00		CLAY, high plasticity, pale grey brown mottled orange, root material, trace gravel	CH	>PL		NATURAL	D at 1.0m
	1.50		Groundwater was not encountered BH2 terminated at 1.2m depth					
	2.00							
	2.50							
	3.00							
	3.50							
	4.00							
	4.50							
	5.00							
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Borehole Log: BH3			Sheet: 1 of 1					
Client: Metricon Homes Pty Ltd			Drill Rig: Christie Mechanical Rig					
Project: Proposed Residential Dwelling			Logged: RS					
Location: Lot. 40, No. 136, Narrabeen Park Parade, Mona V.			Date: 25/10/2019					
Method	Depth (metres)	DCP blows count	Material Description	Soil Classification	Moisture	Consistency / Density	Structure, Origin, Water and Additional Observations	Disturbed Samples (D)
MA	0.50		Silty CLAY, medium plasticity, dark brown mottled black orange, root material, trace sand gravel	CI	>PL		FILL	
	1.00		CLAY, high plasticity, pale grey brown mottled orange, root material, trace gravel	CH	>PL		NATURAL	
	1.50		Groundwater was not encountered BH3 terminated at 1.2m depth					
	2.00							
	2.50							
	3.00							
	3.50							
	4.00							
	4.50							
	5.00							
This borehole log is to be read in conjunction with the explanatory notes appended to the set of logs. This borehole log is not be reproduced without the full inclusion of all explanatory notes.								

Borehole Log: BH4			Sheet: 1 of 1					
Client: Metricon Homes Pty Ltd			Drill Rig: Christie Mechanical Rig					
Project: Proposed Residential Dwelling			Logged: RS					
Location: Lot. 40, No. 136, Narrabeen Park Parade, Mona V.			Date: 25/10/2019					
Method	Depth (metres)	DCP blows count	Material Description	Soil Classification	Moisture	Consistency / Density	Structure, Origin, Water and Additional Observations	Disturbed Samples (D)
MA	0.50		Silty CLAY, medium plasticity, dark brown mottled black orange, root material, trace sand gravel	CI	>PL		FILL	
	1.00		CLAY, high plasticity, pale grey brown mottled orange, root material, trace gravel	CH	>PL		NATURAL	
	1.50		Groundwater was not encountered BH4 terminated at 1.2m depth					
	2.00							
	2.50							
	3.00							
	3.50							
	4.00							
	4.50							
	5.00							

This borehole log is to be read in conjunction with the explanatory notes appended to the set of logs. This borehole log is not to be reproduced without the full inclusion of all explanatory notes.



EXPLANATION OF NOTES, ABBREVIATIONS & TERMS USED ON BOREHOLE AND TEST PIT LOGS

DRILLING/EXCAVATION METHOD

HA	Hand Auger	W	Washbore	PT	Push Tube
MA-	Mechanical Auger Drilling	HQ	Diamond Core - 63 mm	EX	Excavator
-V	V-Bit	NMLC	Diamond Core - 52 mm	HAD	Hollow Auger Drilling
-TC	TC-Bit, e.g. ADT	NQ	Diamond Core - 47 mm		

PENETRATION/EXCAVATION RESISTANCE

L	Low resistance. Rapid penetration possible with little effort from the equipment used.
M	Medium resistance. Excavation/possible at an acceptable rate with moderate effort from the equipment used
H	High resistance. Further penetration is possible at a slow rate and requires significant effort from the equipment
R	Refusal or Practical Refusal. No further progress possible without the risk of damage or unacceptable wear to the digging implement or machine.

These assessments are subjective and are dependent on many factors including the equipment power, weight, condition or excavation or drilling tools, and experience of the operator.

WATER

▽	Water level at date shown	⇐	Partial water loss
⇒	Water inflow	⇐	Complete water loss
NO	Ground Water Not Observed: Ground water observation not possible. Ground water may or may not be present		
NE	Ground Water Not Encountered: Ground water was not evident during excavation or a short time after completion. However, groundwater could be present in less permeable strata. Inflow may have been observed had the borehole/test pit been left open for a longer period.		

SAMPLING AND TESTING

SPT	Standard Penetration Test to AS1289.6.3.1 - 2004	DS	Disturbed sample
3,6,9 N=15	3,6,9 = blows per 150mm. N = blows per final 300mm penetration	BDS	Bulk disturbed sample
30/80mm	Practical refusal, with blows and depth of penetration before refusal occurred	U63	Undisturbed thin wall push tube sample, nominal sample diameter denoted in millimetres
RW	Penetration caused under rod weight only	W	Water sample
HW	Penetration caused under hammer and rod weight only	G	Gas sample
HB	Hammer bounce without penetration	V	silcon shear vane (kPa)
R	Refusal to test	PP	Pocket penetrometer (kPa)
		FP	Field permeability test over section noted
DCP	Dynamic Cone Penetrometer Test to AS1289.6.3.2 - 1997	ES	Environmental sample
DCP (p)	Dynamic Cone Penetrometer Test to AS1289.6.3.3 - 1997 Perth Sand Penetrometer	PI	Plastic Index (%)
		PL	Plastic Limit (%)
6	6 = blows per 100mm of penetration	LL	Liquid Limit (%)
		MC	Moisture Content (%)
		CBR	Californian Bearing Ration (%)

ROCK CORE RECOVERY

TCR = Total Core Recovery (%)

RQD = Rock Quality Designation (%)

$$= \frac{\text{Length of core recovered}}{\text{Length of core run}} \times 100$$

$$= \frac{\sum \text{Axial lengths of core} > 100 \text{ mm}}{\text{Length of core run}} \times 100$$



EXPLANATION OF NOTES, ABBREVIATIONS & TERMS USED ON BOREHOLE AND TEST PIT LOGS - SOIL DESCRIPTION (AS1726 - 2017)

SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

Coarse Grained Soil

GW	Well graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines
GP	Poorly-graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines, uniform gravels
GM	Silty gravels, gravel-sand-silt mixtures
GC	Clayey gravels, gravel-sand-clay mixtures
SW	Well-graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines
SP	Poorly-graded sands, gravelly sand, little or no fines
SM	Silty sands, sand-silt mixtures
SC	Clayey sands, sand-clay mixtures

Fine Grained Soils

ML	Inorganic silts and very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands or silts with low plasticity
CL, CI	Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays
OL	Organic silts and organic silty clays of low plasticity
MH	Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sand for silty soils
CH	Inorganic clays of high plasticity
OH	Organic clays of medium to high plasticity, organic silts
PT	Peat, humus, swamp soils with high organic contents

First Letter: G = Gravel, S = Sand, M = Silt, C = Clay; Second Letter: W = Well-graded, P = Poorly-graded, M = Mixture, O = Organic, L = Low plasticity, H = High plasticity

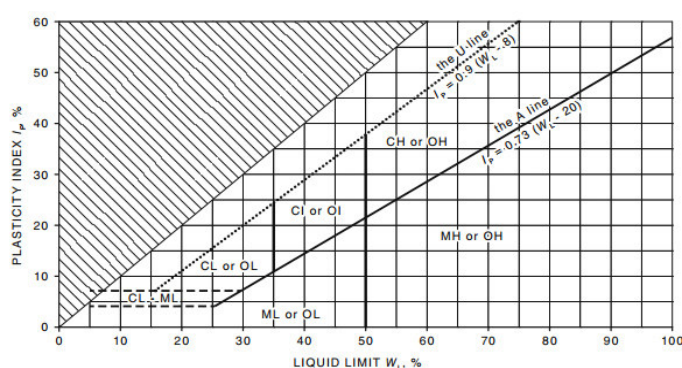
Soils may be a combination of multiple soil classifications where borderline

PARTICLE SIZE

Soil	Major Division	Sub-Division	Particle Size (mm)
Coarse	Boulders		>200
	Cobbles		63 - 200
	Gravel	Coarse	20 - 63
		Medium	6 - 20
		Fine	2.36 - 6
	Sand	Coarse	0.6 - 2.36
		Medium	0.2 - 0.6
		Fine	0.075 - 0.2
Fine	Silt		0.002 - 0.075
	Clay		< 0.002

0.075mm is the approximate minimum particle size discernible by eye

PLASTICITY CHART



MOISTURE CONDITION

Coarse	D	Dry	Sands and gravels are free flowing.
	M	Moist	Soils are darker than in the dry condition and may feel cool. Sands and gravels tend to cohere.
	W	Wet	Soils exude free water. Sands and gravels tend to cohere.
Fine	PL	Plastic Limit	Moisture content of fine grain soils are described; as below plastic limit (<PL), near to plastic limit (=PL), above plastic limit (>PL),
	LL	Liquid Limit	near to the liquid limit (=LL), or above the liquid limit (>LL)

CONSISTENCY AND DENSITY

Fine Grained Soils

Pocket Pentrometer

Coarse Grained Soil

			Reading (kPa)			Density Index %	'N' Value
VS	Very Soft	Exudes between fingers when squeezed	<25	VL	Very Loose	≤15	0 - 4
S	Soft	Can be moulded by light finger pressure	20 - 50	L	Loose	15 - 35	4 - 10
F	Firm	Can be moulded by strong finger pressure	50 - 100	MD	Medium Dense	35 - 65	10 - 30
St	Stiff	Cannot be moulded by fingers. Can be indented by thumb	100 - 200	D	Dense	65 - 85	30 - 50
VSt	Very Stiff	Can be indented by thumb nail	200 - 400	VD	Very Dense	>85	>50
H	Hard	Can be indented by thumb nail with difficulty	>400				

SECONDARY OR MINOR SOIL COMPONENTS

Designation of components	In coarse grained soils				In fine grained soils	
	%Fines	Terminology	%Accessory Coarse Fraction	Terminology	%Sand/gravel	Terminology
Minor	≤5	'trace' clay/silt	≤15	'trace' sand/gravel	≤15	'trace' sand/gravel
	5 - 12	'with' clay/silt	15 - 30	'with' sand/gravel	15 - 30	'with' sand/gravel
Secondary	> 15	Prefix silty or clayey	>30	Prefix sandy or gravelly	>30	Prefix sandy or gravelly



EXPLANATION OF NOTES, ABBREVIATIONS & TERMS USED ON BOREHOLE AND TEST PIT LOGS - ROCK DESCRIPTION (AS1726 - 2017)

STRENGTH OF INTACT ROCK

Symbol	Term	Point Load Index, (I_{s50}) MPa	Field Guide to Strength
VL	Very Low	$0.03 \leq I_{s50} < 0.1$	Material crumbles under firm blows with sharp end of pick; can be peeled with knife; pieces up to 30mm thick can be broken by finger pressure
L	Low	$0.1 \leq I_{s50} < 0.3$	Easily scored with knife; indentations 1mm to 3mm after firm blow with pick point; core 150mm long and 50mm diameter can be broken by hand; sharp edges of core friable
M	Medium	$0.3 \leq I_{s50} < 1.0$	Readily scored with knife; core 150mm long and 50mm diameter can be broken by hand with difficulty
H	High	$1.0 \leq I_{s50} < 3$	Core 150mm long and 50mm diameter cannot be broken by hand but can be broken by single firm blow of pick; rock rings under hammer
VH	Very High	$3 \leq I_{s50} < 10$	Hand held specimen breaks with pick after more than one blow; rock rings under hammer
EH	Extremely High	$10 \leq I_{s50}$	Specimen requires many pick blows to break intact rock, rock rings under hammer

Material with rock strength less than 'Very Low' are described using soil properties

DEGREE OF ROCK WEATHERING

Term		Symbol		Definition
Residual Soil		RS		Soil derived from the weathering of rock; the mass structure and material fabric are no longer evident the soil has not been significantly transported.
Extremely Weathered		XW		Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties, i.e. it either disintegrates or can be remoulded, in water. Fabric of original rock still visible.
Highly Weathered	Distinctly Weathered	HW	DW	Rock strength is changed by weathering. The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognizable. Some minerals are decomposed to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leach, or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores.
Moderately Weathered		MW		The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable, but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.
Slightly Weathered		SW		Rock is slightly discoloured but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock
Fresh		FR		Rock shows no sign of decomposition or staining

Distinctly Weathered is to be used when it is not possible to differentiate between highly and moderately weathered.

Extremely Weathered material is to be described using soil properties

ROCK MASS PROPERTIES

Term	Separation of Stratification Planes	Term	Description
Thinly laminated	< 6mm	Fragmented	Primarily fragments < 20mm length and mostly of width < core diameter
Laminated	6mm to 20 mm	Highly fractured	Core lengths generally less than 20mm to 40mm with occasional fragments
Very thinly bedded	20mm to 60mm		
Thinly bedded	60mm to 200mm	Fractured	Core lengths mainly 30mm to 100mm with occasional shorter and longer pieces
Medium bedded	0.2m to 0.6m	Slightly fractured	Core lengths generally 0.3m to 1.0m with occasional longer and shorter sections
Thickly bedded	0.6m to 2.0m		
Massive	< 2m	Unbroken	Core has no fractures

DEFECT TYPES AND DESCRIPTIONS

Defect Type		Defect Shape		Surface Roughness		Defect Coatings	
BR	Bedding parting	PL	Planar	VR	Very rough	CL	Clean
JT	Joint	ST	Stepped	RO	Rough	ST	Stained
SR	Sheared surface	CR	Curved	SM	Smooth	VN	Veneer
SZ	Sheared zone	IR	Irregular	PO	Polished	CT	Coating
SS	Sheared seam	UN	Undulating	SL	Slickenside		
CS	Crushed seam						
IS	Infill seam	Vertical Boreholes - The dip of the defect is given from the horizontal					
XS	Extremely Weathered Seam	Inclined Boreholes - The angle of the defect is given from the core axis					

Appendix B

Site Photography



Appendix C

Laboratory Data

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COMMENTS

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	Sample Number	SE199249.001	SE199249.002	SE199249.003	SE199249.004
	Sample Matrix	Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil
	Sample Date	25 Oct 2019	25 Oct 2019	25 Oct 2019	25 Oct 2019
	Sample Name	130018 BH1: 500	130018 BH1: 1000	130018 BH1: 1300	130018 BH2: 500
Parameter	Units	LOR			

Field pH for Acid Sulphate Soil Method: AN104 Tested: 31/10/2019

pHf	pH Units	-	6.3	6.2	5.1	6.1
pHfox	pH Units	-	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.6
Reaction*	No unit	-	X	X	X	X
pH Difference*	pH Units	-10	1.0	0.7	-0.5	0.5

	Sample Number	SE199249.005	SE199249.006
	Sample Matrix	Soil	Soil
	Sample Date	25 Oct 2019	25 Oct 2019
	Sample Name	130018 BH2: 1000	130018 BH2: 1500
Parameter	Units	LOR	

Field pH for Acid Sulphate Soil Method: AN104 Tested: 31/10/2019

pHf	pH Units	-	6.2	5.3
pHfox	pH Units	-	5.1	4.5
Reaction*	No unit	-	XX	XX
pH Difference*	pH Units	-10	1.0	0.8

MB blank results are compared to the Limit of Reporting

LCS and MS spike recoveries are measured as the percentage of analyte recovered from the sample compared the the amount of analyte spiked into the sample.

DUP and MSD relative percent differences are measured against their original counterpart samples according to the formula : *the absolute difference of the two results divided by the average of the two results as a percentage*. Where the DUP RPD is 'NA' , the results are less than the LOR and thus the RPD is not applicable.

Field pH for Acid Sulphate Soil Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN104

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
pHf	LB186633	pH Units	-	0%	NA
pHfox	LB186633	pH Units	-	2%	NA

METHOD

METHODOLOGY SUMMARY

AN104	pHF is determined on an extract of approximately 2g of as received sample in approximately 10 mL of deionised water with pH determined after standing 30 minutes.
AN104	pHFox is determined on an extract of approximately 2g of as received sample with a few mLs of 30% hydrogen peroxide (adjusted to pH 4.5 to 5.5) with the extract reaction being rated from slight to extreme, with pH determined after reaction is complete and extract has cooled. Referenced to ASS Laboratory Methods Guidelines, method 23Af-Bf, 2004.
	<p>X Slight Reaction</p> <p>XX Moderate Reaction</p> <p>XXX Strong/High Reaction</p> <p>XXXX Extreme/Vigorous Reaction (gas evolution and heat generation)</p>

FOOTNOTES

IS	Insufficient sample for analysis.	LOR	Limit of Reporting
LNR	Sample listed, but not received.	↑↓	Raised or Lowered Limit of Reporting
*	NATA accreditation does not cover the performance of this service.	QFH	QC result is above the upper tolerance
**	Indicative data, theoretical holding time exceeded.	QFL	QC result is below the lower tolerance
		-	The sample was not analysed for this analyte
		NVL	Not Validated

Unless it is reported that sampling has been performed by SGS, the samples have been analysed as received.
Solid samples expressed on a dry weight basis.

Where "Total" analyte groups are reported (for example, Total PAHs, Total OC Pesticides) the total will be calculated as the sum of the individual analytes, with those analytes that are reported as <LOR being assumed to be zero. The summed (Total) limit of reporting is calculated by summing the individual analyte LORs and dividing by two. For example, where 16 individual analytes are being summed and each has an LOR of 0.1 mg/kg, the "Totals" LOR will be 1.6 / 2 (0.8 mg/kg). Where only 2 analytes are being summed, the "Total" LOR will be the sum of those two LORs.

Some totals may not appear to add up because the total is rounded after adding up the raw values.

If reported, measurement uncertainty follow the ± sign after the analytical result and is expressed as the expanded uncertainty calculated using a coverage factor of 2, providing a level of confidence of approximately 95%, unless stated otherwise in the comments section of this report.

Results reported for samples tested under test methods with codes starting with ARS-SOP, radionuclide or gross radioactivity concentrations are expressed in becquerel (Bq) per unit of mass or volume or per wipe as stated on the report. Becquerel is the SI unit for activity and equals one nuclear transformation per second.

Note that in terms of units of radioactivity:

- 1 Bq is equivalent to 27 pCi
- 37 MBq is equivalent to 1 mCi

For results reported for samples tested under test methods with codes starting with ARS-SOP, less than (<) values indicate the detection limit for each radionuclide or parameter for the measurement system used. The respective detection limits have been calculated in accordance with ISO 11929.

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