

**GEOTECHNICAL RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY FOR PITTWATER
FORM NO. 1 – To be submitted with Development Application**

Development Application for <u>Reform Projects Pty Ltd</u>	Name of Applicant
Address of site <u>1102-1106 Barrenjoey Road, Palm Beach, NSW</u>	

Declaration made by geotechnical engineer or engineering geologist or coastal engineer (where applicable) as part of a geotechnical report

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**GEOTECHNICAL RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY FOR PITTWATER
FORM NO. 1(a) - Checklist of Requirements For Geotechnical Risk Management Report for
Development Application**

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The following checklist covers the minimum requirements to be addressed in a Geotechnical Risk Management Geotechnical Report. This checklist is to accompany the Geotechnical Report and its certification (Form No. 1).


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- Comprehensive site mapping conducted 3 November 2020
(date)
- Mapping details presented on contoured site plan with geomorphic mapping to a minimum scale of 1:200 (as appropriate)
- Subsurface investigation required
 - No Justification
 - Yes Date conducted 4 November 2020
- Geotechnical model developed and reported as an inferred subsurface type-section
- Geotechnical hazards identified
 - Above the site
 - On the site
 - Below the site
 - Beside the site
- Geotechnical hazards described and reported
- Risk assessment conducted in accordance with the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009
 - Consequence analysis
 - Frequency analysis
- Risk calculation
- Risk assessment for property conducted in accordance with the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009
- Risk assessment for loss of life conducted in accordance with the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009
- Assessed risks have been compared to "Acceptable Risk Management" criteria as defined in the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009
- Opinion has been provided that the design can achieve the "Acceptable Risk Management" criteria provided that the specified conditions are achieved.
- Design Life Adopted:
 - 100 years
 - Other specify
- Geotechnical Conditions to be applied to all four phases as described in the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009 have been specified
- Additional action to remove risk where reasonable and practical have been identified and included in the report.
- Risk assessment within Bushfire Asset Protection Zone.

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ON
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ASSESSMENT**
(In Accordance with Pittwater Council Risk
Management Policy)

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Envirolab Services Certificate of Analysis No. 255075

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1 INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of our seepage analysis and geotechnical assessment of the site at 1102-1106 Barrenjoey Road, Palm Beach, NSW. The location of the site is shown in Figure 1. The assessment was commissioned by Alex Swiney of Reform Projects Pty Ltd (Reform Projects) by signed 'Acceptance of Proposal' dated 29 October 2020, and was carried out in accordance with our fee proposal (Ref: P52889, dated 28 October 2020).

The site was inspected on 3 November 2020 to assess the topography of the site and surrounds. A geotechnical investigation was then completed to confirm the subsurface conditions and included infiltration testing and groundwater monitoring. Using this information, the risk of instability posed by the site in both its current and proposed developed state was assessed. An assessment was also made of the groundwater seepage inflow rates that may be expected during construction.

We understand from the provided architectural drawings prepared by Rob Mills Architecture & Interiors (refer to drawings cover page, Ref: Drawing No. DA.00, Revision B, dated 12 September 2022), that the proposed development will comprise the following:

- Demolition of the existing buildings and structures on site, and,
- Construction of a three-storey building over one basement garage level.

The new building and garage will be cut into the existing hillside (extending a distance of about 3m from the face of the existing soldier pile wall) and will have a basement finished floor level of RL-0.615m to RL-0.65m, or an assumed bulk excavation level of RL-1m. This will require cuts to the rear of the site to a maximum depth of about 11m, which will also require removal of the soldier pile wall. Over the front of the site we anticipate that excavation will be limited to about 4m. As shown on the demolition plan, Ref: DA.03, the existing boulders at the southern boundary are to be retaining. We understand that the shotcreted cut face (and possibly mesh and rock bolts) at the south-east corner of the site will also be retained.

The footprint of the proposed development is indicated on Figures 2 and 3.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater (2009) as discussed in Section 5 below. It is understood that the report will be submitted to Council as part of the DA documentation. Our report is preceded by the completed Council Forms 1 and 1a.

JK Environments (JKE) completed Acid Sulphate Soils testing in conjunction with the geotechnical investigation. The results of the testing have been separately reported by JKE (Ref: E33618Blet, dated 1 December 2020).

2 ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

2.1 Walkover Survey

This stability assessment which was carried out by our Associate, Mr Jarett Mones, is based upon a detailed inspection of the topographic, surface drainage and geological conditions of the site and its immediate environs. These features were compared to those of other similar lots in neighbouring locations to provide a comparative basis for assessing the risk of instability affecting the proposed development. The attached Appendix A defines the terminology adopted for the risk assessment together with a flowchart illustrating the Risk Management Process based on the guidelines given in AGS 2007c (Reference 1).

A summary of our observations is presented in Section 3 below. Our specific recommendations regarding the proposed development are discussed in Section 7 following our geotechnical assessment.

The attached Figure 3 presents a plan showing notable geotechnical site features and geotechnical hazards. Figure 3 is based on the survey plan prepared by CMS Surveyors Pty Ltd (CMS, Ref: Drawing No. 19783detail, Issue 1, date of survey as 3 November 2020). We also received an older survey plan by Adam Clerke Surveyors Pty Ltd (Ref: 20688L, dated 26 April 2012), which we used to review former levels at the site. Additional features on Figure 3 have been measured by hand held clinometer and tape measure techniques and hence are only approximate. Should any of the features be critical to the proposed development, we recommend they be located more accurately using instrument survey techniques. Figure 6 defines the geotechnical mapping symbols adopted and used in Figure 3. Figures 4 and 5 present typical cross-sections (Sections A-A' and B-B', respectively) through the site based on the survey data augmented by our mapping observations. These sections include potential landslide hazards.

2.2 Subsurface Investigation

JK Geotechnics Geotechnical Investigation

Prior to the commencement of the fieldwork, we carried out the following:

- Review of recommendation requirements by Reform Projects and Van der Meer Consulting (Ref: emails dated 20 and 26 October, respectively);
- Review of the previous geotechnical report by Witt Consulting Pty Ltd (Witt, Ref: WittC-TMattox-R-A, dated November 2019) and Supplementary Geotechnical Investigation report by D.F Dickson & Associates Pty Limited (D.F Dickson, Ref: 28207-G6, dated 20 July 2012 and reviewed February 2013);
- Liaison with Reform Projects to agree on borehole locations;
- Meeting with JKE to discuss sampling requirements for the Acid Sulphate Soils testing;
- Completion of a dial before you dig buried services search and an on-site services search using electromagnetic induction measures completed by a buried services subcontractor; and,
- Site walkover by our Principal Associate, Mr Woodie Theunissen, to review access for the investigation locations.

Our geotechnical investigation and infiltration testing were carried out over two (2) days on 11 and 12 November 2020 and comprised the following:

- Completion of two (2) boreholes, BH101 and BH102. These boreholes were drilled using our JK205 rig in the accessible area (existing driveway) at the southern portion of the site and were initially advanced using spiral auger techniques with an attached twin pronged Tungsten Carbide ('TC') drill bit to depths of 3.42m (BH101) and 0.46m (BH102). These boreholes were then extended to final depths of 9.40m (BH101) and 8.98m (BH102) using rock coring techniques and a NMLC triple tube core barrel.
- Installation of monitoring wells in each of the boreholes upon completion.
- Following the above, we carried out two infiltration ('pump out') tests in each of the wells by pumping out the groundwater and measuring the groundwater recharge rate as groundwater flowed back into the wells. The results of each of the second pump out tests as Pump-Out Recovery Testing vs Time are attached as Figure 7 and 8. Following the completion of pump out testing, data loggers were left installed within the wells to allow longer term monitoring of groundwater levels.

Groundwater monitoring was carried out over about a two-week period between 5 and 18 November 2020. In addition to the above, groundwater observations were also made during, on completion (or a short period following) augering and coring. A summary of measured groundwater levels is provided below in Section 3.2. Groundwater level measurements recorded on site during drilling are shown on the borehole logs. The data logger plots showing Groundwater Level and Daily Rainfall vs Time are attached as Figures 11 and 12. We note that water is introduced into the boreholes during core drilling and therefore the water levels after coring are likely to be artificially higher than actual levels. Consequently, the longer term groundwater levels measured between the 5 and 18 November 2020 and presented in Figures 11 and 12 provide a more reliable indication of 'true' groundwater levels.

The apparent compaction of the fill and relative density of the subsurface soils encountered in BH101 was assessed from the results of Standard Penetration Tests (SPTs) 'N' values.

Where the bedrock was drilled using spiral auger drilling techniques the strength of the bedrock was assessed from observation of the TC bit drilling resistance, tactile examination of recovered rock chips/cuttings and correlation with the results of subsequent laboratory moisture content testing. Strengths assessed in this manner are approximate only and variations of one strength order should not be unexpected. The strength of the bedrock within the cored portion of the boreholes was assessed by examination of the recovered rock core and subsequent correlation with Point Load Strength Index ($I_{s(50)}$) testing. The results of the Point Load Strength Index tests are presented in the attached JK Geotechnics Table B and on the cored borehole logs. The Unconfined Compressive Strength's (UCS's) were estimated from the Point Load Strength Index test results and are also summarised in Table B. Photographs of the recovered core are presented to the rear of this report with the borehole logs.

The borehole location plan is included as Figure 2. Due to access constraints, boreholes were limited to areas outside the building and other structures. The locations were set out by taped measurements from apparent surface features, as shown on the survey plan prepared by Adam Clerke Surveyors Pty Ltd and referenced above. The approximate surface levels, as shown on the borehole logs, were estimated by interpolation between spot levels shown on the CMS survey drawing and are, therefore, only approximate. The datum for the levels is Australian Height Datum (AHD), as noted on the survey drawing.



Selected samples were returned to Soil Test Services Pty Ltd (STS) and Envirolab Services Pty Ltd (Envirolab), both NATA accredited laboratories, for moisture content and pH, sulphate content, chloride content and resistivity testing. These results are presented in the attached STS Table A and Envirolab Certificate of Analysis No. 255075.

The investigation was carried out in the full-time presence of our Geotechnical Engineer, Mr Ben Sheppard, who set out the borehole locations, nominated the sampling (including those for the JKE Acid Sulphate Soils assessment) and testing and prepared logs of the strata encountered. The borehole logs (which include groundwater measurements), are attached to the report together with our Report Explanation Notes, which further describe the investigation techniques adopted and their limitations, and define the logging terms and symbols used.

In Sections 3 and 4 we have provided a discussion of some of the findings from the previous investigations/assessments by Witt and D.F. Dickson. Below is a summary of the scope of works from the previous subsurface investigations/assessments carried out by these consultants:

Witt Geotechnical Investigation

The Witt geotechnical investigation comprised three augered boreholes (BH1 to BH3). BH3 was carried out to a depth of 4m, while the depth of the other boreholes is unclear as it was not recorded on the BH1 borehole log and the final page of the BH2 borehole log was not provided. However, the cross-sectional sketch annotates the end of BH1 and BH2 at RL10m. Wells were installed in each of the boreholes. We measured the 'groundwater' level in the well installed at BH2, whilst on site. This well indicated that the groundwater level was up to 0.6m above ground level, suggesting artesian pressures. These artesian pressures may be a result of the well intersecting confined defects within the rock mass that is charged with water and is under pressure, thus resulting in a water level that is above ground level. We could not remove the gatic cover at the BH3 location and we did not find the well at the BH1 location. The Witt borehole logs have been included as Appendix C.

No testing of the soils was carried out during the Witt investigation.

D.F. Dickson

The D.F. Dickson report comments that they had completed a series of inspections and investigations in 2002, 2004, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012. The report discusses previous works carried out on site and provides a slope stability assessment. The report does not include borehole logs or other investigation/inspection details but in the methods of investigation section it states that the following had been carried out:

'Large scale boreholes, 0.6m diameter to a depth of 8m at the retaining wall location at the rear of the property. This includes collection and examination of rock cuttings from the bored piers and inspection of drainage and ground stabilisation installation, underpinning and saw cutting of sandstone boulders.'

3 SUMMARY OF OBSERVATIONS

We recommend that the summary of observations which follows be read in conjunction with the attached Figure 1 (Site Location Plan) and Figure 3 (Plan of Notable Geotechnical Features and Geotechnical Hazards).

The site is located east of Pittwater, below and along the base of a north-south trending ridgeline.

Original site slopes have previously been modified with the western portion of the site cut into the hillside and the site sloping up steeply to the eastern site boundary from the back of the retaining wall. The eastern portion of the site is supported by a soldier pile wall that is set-in about 6.5m from the eastern boundary. This portion of the site slopes up steeply to the eastern site boundary at about 45° and is covered with thick grass. Based on the D.F. Dickson report the slope has been reinforced by geogrids and there is a 'drainage system piped to the street'.

To the west of the soldier pile wall the site has been cut, is relatively level and has ground levels that vary between about RL2.5m and RL3m. This portion of the site is occupied by three single storey buildings that have been constructed from a mix of concrete, masonry, timber, rendered and brick. Pavements surround these buildings with tables chairs, umbrellas and awnings located in these areas. The buildings are set-in approximately 5m from the soldier pile wall. There are two 6m long storage containers that are set-in about 11m from the southern boundary and are located between the most southern of the three buildings and the soldier pile wall. Between the building and the storage containers/soldier pile wall is a paved area with a timber/sheet metal roof. The buildings appeared to be in good condition when viewed externally. A gravel driveway is present at the southern portion of the site.

The soldier pile wall comprised 0.6m diameter piles spaced at about 2.5m, with mesh and shotcrete infill panels between piles. Over the lower about 0.8m to 0.9m mesh and shotcrete has not been placed and here the materials exposed were assessed to comprise moderately weathered siltstone of low to medium strength. Water seepage was observed in this face, both over the siltstone cut face and through the shotcrete panels. Some cracks varying from 'hairline' to 2mm in width were observed in the shotcrete panels but overall, the soldier pile wall appeared to be in good condition. There was a concrete section about 1.1m high above the piles, which appeared to be the capping beam. Above the capping beam was about a 1m high mesh fence. The architectural section drawing by Mills Architecture & Interiors (Ref: Drawing No. DA.01) details the base of the soldier piles at RL-0.25m. We have extracted a photograph from the Witt geotechnical investigation report, as shown below in Plate 1, of the soldier pile wall prior to being shotcreted. It appears the portion below the capping beam comprises weathered rock.

Plate 1: Photograph of Soldier Pile Wall Prior to being Shotcreted (Figure 3 from Witt Report)



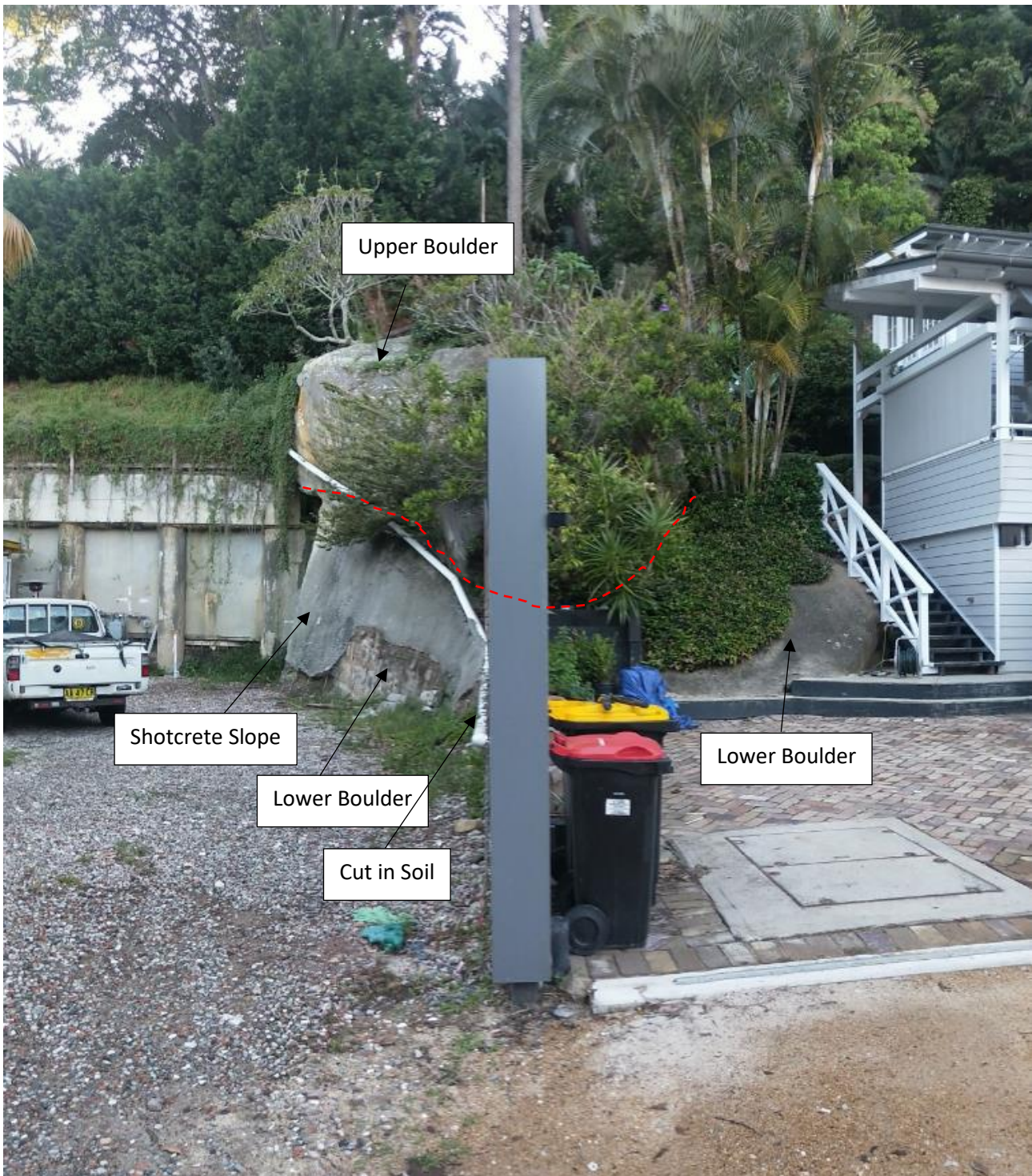
The below site description should be read in conjunction with Plate 2, which includes a photograph of the southern boundary area. Extending into the site near the southern boundary is a large sandstone boulder. This boulder is located in the upper portion of the profile and where excavation has extended below it the cut face has been protected with shotcrete. The boulder is approximately 2m to 3m high and extends for a length of about 7.5m. The shotcreted cut has a maximum height of approximately 3.5m and extends for a length of about 10.5m. The boulder overhangs the eastern end of the cut by about 1m to 1.5m over a length of 1.5m. Water seepage was observed below the boulder along the eastern 2m length of the shotcrete facing. A second sandstone boulder is exposed below the western end of the upper boulder. This boulder extends for a length of about 2.5m over the lower 0.7m to 1.3m of the cut. Between the eastern soldier pile wall and this lower boulder, siltstone bedrock was exposed below the shotcrete for a length of about 6m to 7m over the lower 0.8m of the cut. The siltstone bedrock was assessed to be moderately weathered and of low to medium strength. A 0.8m high vertical cut in fill was observed over a length 1m at the westernmost end of the southern cut.

Plate 2: Photograph 1 of Large Boulders and Shotcreted Cut Face At/Near Southern Boundary (Facing South)



The site is bound by residential development to the south, 1100 Barrenjoey Road, beyond the boundary. It appears that the upper boulder visible in the southern cut face extends an additional 2.5m to the south and overlies another large boulder that extended further to the south. This can be seen below in Plate 3. Beyond these boulders is a two-storey timber clad house. To the east of the site is a flat grass area (driveway) and then a single-storey shed. To the north is a one and two storey rendered building ('Barrenjoey House', which is heritage listed) while Barrenjoey Road bounds the site to the west. All adjoining structures appeared in good condition when viewed from the site.

Plate 3: Photograph 2 of Large Boulders and Shotcreted Cut Face At/Near Southern Boundary (Facing East)



4 GEOLOGY AND SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

The 1:100,000 geological map of Sydney indicates that the site is underlain by the Newport Formation, 'Narrabeen Group', which comprises interbedded laminate, shale and quartz, to lithic quartz sandstone.

Since the eastern portion of the site has previously been cut, the investigations disclosed subsurface conditions generally comprising shallow weathered bedrock over the eastern portion of the site transitioning to fill overlying sands and then weathered bedrock over the western portion of the site. The weathered bedrock comprised interbedded sandstone, siltstone and laminate.

Some of the more pertinent details of the strata encountered are described below. For further details of the conditions encountered at each borehole location, reference should be made to the attached borehole logs.

The subsurface investigation by Witt, which included 3 boreholes, BH1 to BH3, has been included in our summary below.

Pavements

There were pavers around the buildings. In BH1, carried out at the northern portion of the site, the pavers were about 0.05m thick.

Fill

From the JKG and Witt investigations, fill was encountered to depths ranging from 0.05m to 1.6m. The upper 50mm of fill in the driveway was gravel. At BH101, underlying the gravel discussed above, the fill comprised silty sand and clayey sand with brick and concrete fragments and was assessed to be well compacted. At BH1, underlying the pavers, the fill comprised gravelly sand, silty sand and sandy clay with sandstone fragments.

Marine Soils

Underlying the fill, the marine soils at BH101 comprised silty sand that was assessed to be of very loose relative density and extended to a depth of 3.0m. Traces of clay and ironstone and quartz gravel were noted within the silty sand. The Witt investigation encountered sand of an assessed loose relative density that extended to a depth of between 2.6m and 2.7m. In BH1, a silty clay was encountered below the sand and extended from a depth of 2.6m to 2.8m and was assessed to be of firm to stiff strength.

We assessed the natural sands and clays in the Witt investigation to be marine soil, but the clay may be residual soil. As testing of the soils was completed as part of our investigation, we have more confidence in our assessment of relative density/strength for the underlying soils than we do for the Witt boreholes, where there is no record that subsurface investigation has been completed.

Bedrock

Bedrock was encountered across the western level portion of the site at depths ranging from 0.05m (RL2.85m) to 3.0m (RL-0.3m). At BH101 and BH102, the bedrock comprised interbedded siltstone and sandstone, laminite and siltstone and was typically of very low strength, although some harder bands were present. At BH101, the bedrock included thick zones (up to about 0.9m thick) of extremely weathered material with properties of a hard clay and a 0.35m thick 'No Core' zone at a depth of 7.78m. The 'No Core' zone likely represents an extremely weathered band that has washed away during coring.

Based on our observation of the bedrock exposed in the cut faces and the supplied photos it appears that bedrock over the eastern portion of the site is present at relatively shallow depth and, where exposed appears to be of at least low to medium strength. This apparent poorer quality bed of rock exposed over the eastern portion of the site below about RL2.85m is not unusual for rock within the 'Narrabeen Group', which can be of quite variable quality and does, in places, become poorer in quality with depth.

Defects within the rock mass generally comprised numerous thin extremely weathered seams (typically 5mm to 30mm thickness but some up to 70mm to 140mm thickness) and some sub-horizontal bedding partings. Some steeply inclined joints (generally 30° to 90°) were also observed.

Based on the photograph provided in the Witt report included in Section 3, it appears bedrock is exposed below the capping beam along the southern portion of the existing soldier pile wall, so the top of bedrock is estimated at RL6.4m or higher at this location.

Groundwater

In BH101 and BH102, groundwater observations were made on completion (or short period after) augering/coring. Subsequent groundwater readings in the wells installed in BH101 and BH102 were carried out the following day after the well installation, with continuous groundwater monitoring carried out between 5 and 18 November 2020. Below is a summary of the depths and RLs for these measurements and the groundwater levels recorded by Witt.

Test Location (Surface ~RLm)	Date of Measurement	Note on measurement	Groundwater Depth and Level (AHD)
BH101 (2.7)	4 November 2020	Seepage during augering	2.3m (RL0.4m)
	4 November 2020	On completion of augering	2.4m (RL0.3m)
	4 November 2020	On completion of coring	2.6m (RL0.1m)
	5 November 2020	Following day prior to 'pumping out'	1.96m (RL0.74m)
	5 to 18 November 2020	Continuous readings with loggers following 'pumping out'	2.02m to 2.18m (RL0.68m to RL0.52m)
	18 November 2020	Following groundwater monitoring	2.16m (RL0.54m)
BH102 (2.7)	4 November 2020	After 3hrs of coring	0.82m (RL1.88m)
	5 November 2020	Following day prior to 'pumping out'	0.84m (RL1.86m)
	5 to 18 November 2020	Continuous readings with loggers following 'pumping out'	0.85m to 1.13m (RL1.85m to RL1.57m)
	18 November 2020	Following groundwater monitoring	1.16m (RL1.54m)
BH1 (2.5)	23 October 2019	Understood to be during drilling	2m (RL0.5m)
BH2(2.9)	23 October 2019	Understood to be during drilling	2m (RL0.9m)
BH3 (2.9)	23 October 2019	Understood to be following drilling	0.6m above ground (RL3.5m)
	3 November 2020	Approximately 1yr following drilling	0.2m above ground (RL3.1m)

Near the southern boundary, water seepage was observed below the boulder. Along the soldier pile wall, water seepage was observed both through the shotcrete and mesh panels and over the lower siltstone bedrock exposed in the cut face below the shotcrete and mesh.

4.3 Laboratory Test Results

The results of the Point Load Strength Index tests carried out on the recovered rock cores from each borehole correlated well with our field assessment of bedrock strength. Point Load Strength Index ($I_{s(50)}$) tests ranged from 0.01MPa to 0.6MPa. These are also plotted on the attached borehole logs. Estimated unconfined compressive strength (UCS), based on the relationship of $UCS = 20 \times I_{s(50)}$, ranged from <1MPa to 12MPa.

The moisture content test results on samples of the weathered rock showed reasonably good correlation with our field assessment of rock strength in the augered portion of the boreholes.

The results of the pH, sulphate, chloride and resistivity tests are summarised in the table below and results are attached in the Envirolab Certificate of Analysis No. 255075. Refer to Section 7 for an interpretation of the results.

Borehole	Depth (m)	Sample Type	pH	Sulphates SO ₄ (ppm)	Chlorides Cl (ppm)	Resistivity ohm.cm
BH101	1.0-1.2	Fill: Clayey Sand	7.2	33	20	15,000
BH101	2.6-2.8	Silty Sand	7.4	29	32	20,000
BH102	3.0-3.15	Laminite (bedrock)	7.0	<10	10	31,000

4.4 Infiltration Testing and Calculated Permeabilities

To assess realistic coefficients of permeability for the soils and the weathered bedrock, two pump-out tests were completed in BH101 and BH102. Data loggers were installed in both boreholes during testing to allow accurate measurement of groundwater recharge. The results of these tests are presented in Figures 7 and 8. At the time of testing, the infiltration zone encompassed the soils (generally silty sand and clayey sand including fill) and extremely to moderately weathered bedrock in BH101 and generally highly weathered to moderately weathered bedrock in BH102.

Based on the testing completed, the coefficient of permeability for the strata was calculated. Since the permeability of the sands is significantly greater than that of rock, the testing in BH101 assumed that the seepage predominantly occurred through the sands. Three alternative methods were used. These included the Basic Time Lag method, a method by WJ Neely (Ground Engineering, Vol 7, 1974) and the method outlined in the Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command (NAVFAC) DM7 Design Manual. We note that the Neely method includes studies from larger sized test holes and some interpretation was made beyond the limits of chart the method provides. The table below sets out the calculated values. A range of values was provided as two pump out tests were completed at each location and the results varied slightly.

Calculated Insitu Permeability's (k) (m/s)		
	Borehole BH101	Borehole BH102
Method 1 – Basic Time Lag	8.7×10^{-7} to 9.1×10^{-7}	2.4×10^{-7} to 2.5×10^{-7}
Method 2 - Neely	1.5×10^{-6} to 1.6×10^{-6}	3.2×10^{-7} to 3.8×10^{-7}
Method 3 – NAVFAC DM7	1.4×10^{-6} to 1.5×10^{-6}	3.3×10^{-7} to 3.6×10^{-7}

The values were fairly consistent between the three calculated methods. However, it is possible that the calculated values above are unrealistically high, particularly in the bedrock in BH102, because testing was completed over a relatively short period of time and consisted of the removal of relatively small amounts of groundwater between subsequent tests. As has been observed in basement excavations completed both in the vicinity of the site and throughout the Sydney basin more generally, groundwater inflows are higher initially before reducing to a steady state or ceasing all together as drawdown occurs. The limited time over which the pump-out tests were completed is likely to represent this initially higher inflow rate rather than the steady long-term seepage rate.

5 GEOTECHNICAL ASSESSMENT

5.1 Potential Landslide Hazards

We consider that the potential landslide hazards associated with the site to be the following:

- A Stability of existing large boulder near/at the southern boundary (requires shotcrete slope below to fail, assumed as engineered);
- B Stability of the soldier pile wall to the east of the buildings (assumed as engineered);
- C Stability of the reinforced hillside upslope (east) of the soldier pile wall (assumed as engineered);
- D Stability of the localised 0.8m high vertical cut in fill along a 1m length at the southern boundary; and,
- E Stability of new engineered retaining walls

These potential hazards are indicated in schematic form on the attached Figure 3.

5.2 Risk Analysis

The attached Table A1 summarises our qualitative assessment of each potential landslide hazard and of the consequences to property should the landslide hazard occur. Use has been made of data in MacGregor *et al* (2007) to assist with our assessment of the likelihood of a potential hazard occurring. Based on the above, the qualitative risks to property have been determined. The terminology adopted for this qualitative assessment is in accordance with Table A1 given in Appendix A. Table A1 indicates that the assessed risk to property is Very Low, which would be considered 'acceptable' in accordance with the criteria given in Reference 1 and the Pittwater Council Risk Management Policy.

We have also used the indicative probabilities associated with the assessed likelihood of instability to calculate the risk to life. The temporal and vulnerability factors that have been adopted are given in the

attached Table B1 together with the resulting risk calculation. Our assessed risk to life for the person most at risk is about 3×10^{-8} . This would be considered to be 'acceptable' in relation to the criteria given in Reference 1 and the Pittwater Council Risk Management Policy.

5.3 Risk Assessment

The Pittwater Risk Management Policy requires suitable measures 'to remove risk'. It is recognised that, due to the many complex factors that can affect a site, the subjective nature of a risk analysis, and the imprecise nature of the science of geotechnical engineering, the risk of instability for a site and/or development cannot be completely removed. It is, however, essential that risk be reduced to at least that which could be reasonably anticipated by the community in everyday life and that landowners are made aware of reasonable and practical measures available to reduce risk as far as possible. Hence, where the policy requires that 'reasonable and practical measures have been identified to remove risk', it means that there has been an active process of reducing risk, but it does not require the geotechnical engineer to warrant that risk has been completely removed, only reduced, as removing risk is not currently scientifically achievable.

Similarly, the Pittwater Risk Management Policy requires that the design project life be taken as 100 years unless otherwise justified by the applicant. This requirement provides the context within which the geotechnical risk assessment should be made. The required 100 years baseline broadly reflects the expectations of the community for the anticipated life of a residential structure and hence the timeframe to be considered when undertaking the geotechnical risk assessment and making recommendations as to the appropriateness of a development, and its design and remedial measures that should be taken to control risk. It is recognised that in a 100-year period external factors that cannot reasonably be foreseen may affect the geotechnical risks associated with a site. Hence, the Policy does not seek the geotechnical engineer to warrant the development for a 100-year period, rather to provide a professional opinion that foreseeable geotechnical risks to which the development may be subjected in that timeframe have been reasonably considered.

Our assessment of the probability of failure of existing structural elements such as retaining walls, reinforced earth embankment etc. (where applicable) is based upon a visual appraisal of their type and condition at the time of our inspection. Where existing structural elements such as retaining walls will not be replaced as part of the proposed development, where appropriate we identify the time period at which reassessment of their longevity seems warranted.

Our risk assessment has considered Hazards A, B and C to have been previously engineered and certified during construction. While we observed that some remedial works have been carried out from our site inspection, the design and as-built records were not available to confirm the design and construction details. According to the D.F. Dickson report they have been involved during the construction period and have certification of these elements. In this regard we recommend that the D.F. Dickson reports, design drawings and as-built records are obtained so that our assessment of the likelihood of instability of these Hazards can be confirmed. If these records cannot be obtained, we recommend further investigation for Hazard C be carried out as discussed further in Section 7. We understand that Hazard B will be demolished during construction and that Hazards A and D can be managed during construction.

In preparing our recommendations given below we have adopted the above interpretations of the Risk Management Policy requirements. We have also assumed that no activities on surrounding land which may affect the risk on the subject site would be carried out. We have further assumed that all Council's buried services are, and will be regularly maintained to remain, in good condition.

We consider that our risk analysis has shown that the site and existing and proposed development can achieve the 'Acceptable Risk Management' criteria in the Pittwater Risk Management Policy provided that the recommendations given in Section 7 below are adopted. These recommendations form an integral part of the Landslide Risk Management Process.

6 GROUNDWATER MODELLING

6.1 Analysis Methodology

Steady state seepage analysis has been carried out on one section, Section A-A', which is shown on the attached Figure 3. The purpose of the modelling was to provide an estimate of extraction rates required during construction. The section is based on the survey plan by CMS and was chosen as it represented a 'typical' section through the site in terms of the proposed boundary set-backs, depth of proposed excavations, gradient of the existing ground and groundwater and subsurface conditions.

The seepage analysis was carried out using a 2D finite element computer program, SEEP/W (from GEO-SLOPE). The methodology used for the seepage analysis was:

- Develop a subsurface model for the site using the information obtained from our investigations, supplied architectural and survey drawings, results from the groundwater monitoring, pump-out testing and from the review of published information on permeability rates for sands, siltstone and sandstone, and,
- Carry out a steady state seepage analysis of the proposed basement excavation, as shown in Section A-A'.

6.2 Review of Published Information and Discussion on Permeability Rates

In a paper by Paul Hewitt, *Groundwater Control for Sydney Rock Tunnels*², typical 'substance permeability' for the weathered Ashfield Shale were given as 10^{-6} to 10^{-9} m/s and in Hawkesbury Sandstone were given as 10^{-8} to 10^{-11} m/s with an 'average bulk permeability' varying from 10^{-6} m/s near the surface to about 2×10^{-8} m/s at 50m depth. While the 'Narrabeen Group' bedrock is generally more weathered and weaker than the above formations these permeabilities provide a guideline for comparison purposes.

The permeability of the underlying bedrock will be governed by fracturing with the bedrock itself, continuity, tightness and interconnectedness of this fracturing. As a result, the groundwater ingress experienced by the excavation will depend on the frequency (spacing), continuity and openness of the joints intersected.

In reference to AS1726 (1975) Table 8.1 provides permeability values for different types of soils. The permeability of 'clean sands, clean sand and gravel mixtures' ranges between 10^{-2} m/s and 10^{-5} m/s and for 'very fine sands, organic and inorganic silts and mixtures of sand' ranges between 10^{-5} m/s and 10^{-9} m/s. The soils on site contained fines and are expected to have permeabilities that fall within the latter permeability ranges.

6.3 Subsurface Conditions and Groundwater

Generally, the excavation will be predominately through interbedded siltstone, sandstone and laminite bedrock over the eastern portion of the site and sands over the western portion of the site. East of the existing soldier pile wall clayey soils are anticipated to be encountered overlying the bedrock. In the western portion of the site, a 'cut-off' wall will be required to prevent soil and water flowing into the excavation both during construction and in the long term and provide both temporary permanent support. In this regard the cut-off wall has been assumed to be impermeable. As a consequence, seepage inflows must flow around the toe of the cut-off wall and come up into the excavation through the floor of the basement excavation. Over the eastern portion of the site where bedrock is at shallow level, groundwater inflow will be through the rock mass exposed in both the cut faces and base of the excavation. The geotechnical model is shown in Figure 9.

Groundwater was encountered in each of the boreholes drilled by JKG and Witt. Groundwater measurements were presented in Section 3.2. A groundwater level of RL0.7m was adopted from BH101 to the west of the site and a groundwater level of RL0.7m to RL2.2m was adopted from BH102 to the soldier pile wall. Beyond the soldier pile wall a groundwater gradient was estimated to slope upwards as shown in Figure 9. The groundwater levels adopted were based on the highest groundwater levels recorded in BH101 and BH102 over the monitoring period. We recommend continued periodic groundwater monitoring in the wells be carried out prior to construction to review that the above groundwater levels are appropriate. Further modelling may be required to assess extraction volumes due to groundwater level rises.

The table below sets out the coefficients of permeability adopted for the analysis. These values are based both on an assessment of the published literature, as presented above, experience on similar projects and the results of the pump-out tests. The permeability of the sands was considered to be towards the lower bound of the expected range (i.e. slower rate for sands) and this is likely due to the percentage of fine-grained materials present within these soils. The permeability of the bedrock corresponded well with the range of values presented above. The coefficients of permeability adopted in our model are considered to be realistic and representative values for the site.

Calculated and Adopted Coefficients of Permeability			
Strata	Calculated Range for Coefficient of Permeability (k) (m/sec)	Adopted Coefficient of Permeability (k) – Realistic Case ^{Note 1} (m/sec)	Ratio of Vertical to Horizontal Permeability (k _v /k _h) ^{Note 2}
Soils (Silty Sands, Clayey Sands, Clay)	8.7 x 10 ⁻⁷ to 1.6 x 10 ⁻⁶	2 x 10 ⁻⁶	1
Weathered Bedrock (Interbedded Siltstone, Sandstone and Laminite)	2.4 x 10 ⁻⁷ to 3.8 x 10 ⁻⁷	4 x 10 ⁻⁷	0.5

Note 1 – We carried out a sensitivity of the permeability for the soils and weathered bedrock using a $k = 7 \times 10^{-6}$ m/sec and 9×10^{-7} m/sec, respectively.

Note 2 - We carried out a sensitivity of the ratio of vertical to horizontal permeability in the weathered bedrock using a $k_v/k_h = 1.0$

While we consider the coefficients of permeability adopted in the table above to be both realistic and accurate, they are still only approximate. Consequently, these values should be considered to be a “reasonable estimate” and have not been selected to be conservative or optimistic. It must be recognised that there are natural variations in the permeability rates of rock or soils that may not have been captured in the pump-out tests and that variations of at least one order of magnitude should not be considered unexpected. Sensitivity checks of the permeability of the soils and weathered bedrock and ratio of vertical to horizontal permeability, K_v/K_h , of the weathered bedrock have been carried out to show the effect of these values on extraction rates.

6.4 Model Geometry

Details on retention were not available at the time of this study. Excavations through soils will need to be supported by a ‘cut-off wall’ such as a secant pile wall, whereas excavations through bedrock will need to be supported by a soldier pile wall or soil nails, shotcrete, mesh and drainage. We have assumed that the excavation faces in the bedrock are fully drained and that along the soil areas the ‘cut-off wall’ will be installed to a depth of 3m below bulk excavation level, RL-4m. It is anticipated that in the long term the basement will be tanked.

In this case we have modelled the basement excavation with a vertical cut at the eastern end and a ‘cut-off wall’ at the western end. Total head boundary conditions have been adopted at the sides and base of the model. Infinite elements have been utilised at the sides and base of the model to represent the total head conditions beyond the model boundaries. The model geometry adopted is presented in Figure 9.

6.5 Analysis Assumptions

The following assumptions have been made in the seepage analysis:

- Initial boundary groundwater levels vary between RL6m and RL0.7m at the eastern and western sides of the site respectively. These groundwater levels should be checked prior to, during and on completion of construction.
- Bulk excavation level for the basement is taken as RL-1m, which is about 0.35m below the proposed basement level.
- A cut-off wall is installed at the western face of the excavation, will extend 3m below bulk excavation level and form an impervious barrier. The eastern cut face is pervious and the excavation will be maintained in a dry state by draining the excavation by means of sump and pump in the base of the excavation.
- The horizontal permeability is twice that of the vertical permeability for the weathered bedrock but in the soil the horizontal and vertical permeability is equal.

6.6 Predicted Extraction Rates

The table below indicates the predicted pump out rates required to maintain the basement in a dry condition. It should be noted that higher pumping rates will be required initially until steady state conditions are achieved.

Predicted Daily and Annual Extraction Rates with 'Realistic Case' Adopted Coefficient of Permeability Values	
Pumping Rate (Litres/Day)	Pumping Rate (Megalitres/Annum)
15,500	5.7

Based on the modelling completed using the 'Realistic Case' coefficients of permeability, annual pumping rates are in the order of about 5.7ML. Figure 10 presents a graphical representation of the seepage.

Sensitivity analysis was also completed and considered two alternative models. These were:

- Increasing the coefficient of permeability of the soil from 2×10^{-6} m/s to 7×10^{-6} m/s,
- Increasing the coefficient of permeability of the rock mass from 4×10^{-7} m/s to 9×10^{-7} m/s
- Assuming that the horizontal permeability is ten times that of the vertical permeability for the weathered bedrock.

The tables below present the pump out rates for these cases.

Sensitivity of Soil Permeability – Predicted Daily and Annual Extraction Rates with $k = 7 \times 10^{-6}$ m/sec and $k_v/k_h = 1$ (for soil), and, $k = 4 \times 10^{-7}$ m/sec and $k_v/k_h = 0.5$ (for rock)	
Pumping Rate (Litres/Day)	Pumping Rate (Mega Litres/Annum)
15,900	5.8

Sensitivity of Rock Permeability – Predicted Daily and Annual Extraction Rates with $k = 2 \times 10^{-6}$ m/sec and $k_v/k_h = 1$ (for soil), and, $k = 9 \times 10^{-7}$ m/sec and $k_v/k_h = 0.5$ (for rock)	
Pumping Rate (Litres/Day)	Pumping Rate (Mega Litres/Annum)
34,500	12.6

Sensitivity of Ratio of K_y/K_x for Rock – Predicted Daily and Annual Extraction Rates with $k = 2 \times 10^{-6}$ m/sec and $k_v/k_h = 1$ (for soil), and, $k = 4 \times 10^{-7}$ m/sec and $k_v/k_h = 0.1$ (for rock)	
Pumping Rate (Litres/Day)	Pumping Rate (Mega Litres/Annum)
5,600	2.0

Further comments on hydrogeology are discussed in *Section 7 Comments and Recommendations* below.

6.7 Predicted Water Take

The results of the analysis predict that the weekly water take will be 15,500 litres/day. As it is estimated that temporary dewatering will be required for a period of no longer than 9 months (270 days), the total water take is estimated to be about 4.2 ML.

6.8 Water Take Measuring and Recording

Measurement of pump out volumes will be completed using calibrated flow meters. These readings will be completed and recorded daily to confirm cumulative discharge values and variations in pump out rates.

7 COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

We consider that the proposed development may proceed provided the following specific design, construction and maintenance recommendations are adopted to maintain and reduce the present risk of instability of the site and to control future risks. These recommendations address geotechnical issues only and other conditions may be required to address other aspects of the proposed development.

7.1 Conditions Recommended to Establish the Design Parameters

7.1.1 Prior to the commencement of excavation retention systems will need to be installed around the proposed basement excavation. Over the eastern portion of the site, where bedrock is shallow and present above the design groundwater table (assumed to be about RL2.85m), a soldier pile wall may be adopted. Where cut depths are less than 3m the wall may be designed as cantilevered while where excavation is greater than 3m the wall must be designed as anchored. Alternatively, consideration could be given to the adoption of a soil nail wall that is progressively installed as the

excavation deepens. The existing soldier pile retaining wall to the east of the site will be removed as part of the excavation and careful consideration must be given to how this will be achieved while continuing to maintain support to the excavation. Over the western portion of the site where bedrock is present below the design groundwater table (assumed to be about RL2.85m), a cut-off wall, such as a secant pile wall will need to be installed. It is assumed that this wall will extend a minimum of 3m below bulk excavation level. Advice on retaining wall options are provided below in Section 7.1.5.

- 7.1.2 Upslope of the existing soldier pile wall is a steep soil bank that slopes down towards the west at about 45°. The new retention system will typically be set back about 3m (increasing to about a 6m length at the south-eastern corner) from the eastern site boundary and, over this portion of the site, the steep slope will remain. It is understood that this slope is an engineered slope that has been reinforced with horizontal geogrids. If this is not the case and the slope is not reinforced it is over-steep and prone to failure without warning. If as-built records cannot be obtained and it cannot be confirmed that the design has an acceptable factor of safety, further investigation is required to confirm the design of the slope. To this end we recommend that in the initial stage of construction three test pits be carried out to expose the reinforcement that has been installed in the slope and the subsurface conditions. Where geogrids are present these should be cut prior to excavation and will need to be reinstated in accordance with the designers and/or geotechnical engineers recommendations during rectification of test pits. Prior to the test pits, we recommend that the designer, understood to be D.F. Dickson, be contacted to approve the test pit methodology and reinstatement plan.
- 7.1.3 We understand that the existing boulders and shotcrete (and possibly mesh and bolts) at the southern end of the site will not be removed. Where this is not the case, please contact the geotechnical engineer for further advice on appropriate excavation techniques. The materials on which the boulder is founded currently provides support to the boulder and prevents it from rotating outwards. As part of the original excavation of this area of the site, support in the form of shotcrete has been installed. It is unclear whether mesh and soil nails were required to be installed to support this portion of the site. Consequently, care must be taken that excavation below the boulder does not destabilise it. In this regard excavation and the installation of support measures must be completed in a carefully staged manner and may comprise the installation of a soil nail wall as the excavation progressively deepens. Further advice on provision of support for this section of the site should be sought from the geotechnical engineer during the design stage once there is a clearer understanding on the proposed retention system in this portion of the site.
- 7.1.4 Should temporary batters be adopted for localised excavations within the basement excavation, subject to inspection by a geotechnical engineer, temporary batters should be formed at no steeper than 1 Vertical (V) in 1.5 Horizontal (H) within the soil profile above the groundwater table and 1V:1H within the extremely weathered rock. Temporary batters in soils below the groundwater table shouldn't be attempted. If steeper batters are required, further advice will be necessary from the geotechnical engineer and some form of temporary support will be necessary. All surcharge loads should be kept well clear of the crest of the temporary batters. As a guide, surcharge loads should be positioned no closer than 2H from the top of any batter, where H is the vertical height of the batter. Where ramps are required to provide access for machinery across the site, they will

need to be formed from good quality angular material. Further advice should be sought from this office for advice on the formation of ramps and working platforms, if required. Based on the proposed basement footprint sufficient space does not exist for the adoption of temporary batters for the proposed basement excavation.

7.1.5 As temporary batters will not be suitable for the proposed basement excavation, a retention system would be required and must be installed prior to excavation commencing. We recommend the retention system comprise the following:

- Anchored (retained heights of greater than 3m) or cantilevered (retained heights of less than 3m) soldier pile wall with reinforced shotcrete infill panels over the eastern portion of the site where bedrock is present above the design groundwater table (i.e. approximately RL2.85m). The infill panels must be progressively installed as excavation proceeds (i.e. at maximum 1.8m depth intervals). Where anchored retaining walls are adopted, the anchors should be installed progressively as the excavation deepens.
- Secant pile walls could be adopted over the western portion of the site where the design groundwater table (i.e. approximately RL2.85m) is above the bedrock level. The secant pile wall will also act as a 'cut-off wall' and prevent groundwater from flowing into the basement excavation. Secant pile walls can sometimes be problematic when the verticality of the piles is not within tolerance and with depth they wander, become misaligned and no longer interlock to form a 'watertight' barrier. Where this occurs, it may then be necessary to jet grout behind the wall to seal the wall. However, considering the limited depth to which the piles will be installed this is less likely to be a problem on this site provided competent piling contractors are engaged. Cutter soil mix (CSM) walls are less prone to this problem due to the rectangular shape of the constructed panels and also have a relatively good finish, although for this site it is anticipated that such a system will not be financially viable.
- We recommend that in the early stage of construction, test pits be excavated along the southern and northern boundaries to investigate the ground conditions to confirm where the transition between the soldier and secant pile walls should be.
- Anchors or props will be required for the soldier pile (eastern boundary and portions of the northern and southern ends), where retained heights exceed 3m. Elsewhere cantilevered retaining walls may be considered.
- Secant piles through sands will need to be drilled using grout injected piling techniques (i.e. Continuous Flight Auger (CFA) techniques). Elsewhere, should piles be adopted as foundation piles, CFA piles are also recommended due to the high groundwater table and underlying weak bedrock which is prone to softening on contact with groundwater. However, if bored piles are adopted for the soldier pile wall, it is likely that these will need to be tremie poured immediately following piling, as they will extend below the groundwater table. The use of pumps or a cleaning bucket to remove all the water in the pile holes is difficult and may not be feasible.
- Attention will need to be given during any shoring wall construction that excess spoil is not removed from the pile hole during installation (termed decompression). Decompression can cause a settlement bowl in the ground around the piles, and in extreme cases this settlement

bowl can extend some metres from the pile location. The site superintendent should monitor ground settlement during piling to ensure that adverse settlements do not occur. Particular care will be required when piling adjacent to Barrenjoey House that this does not occur. This risk can be managed using a double rotary system which rotates in temporary casing in conjunction with the auger.

- Retaining wall design parameters are provided below.

7.1.6 The proposed new retaining walls should be designed using the following parameters:

- For cantilever walls, adopt a triangular lateral earth pressure distribution. Where movement sensitive structures are not present within the zone of influence of the excavation (which is defined as everything above a line drawn upwards from bulk excavation level at 1 Vertical(V):2 Horizontal(H)) a coefficient of active pressure, K_a , of 0.35, for the retained soils and weathered bedrock may be adopted, assuming a horizontal surface behind the wall. Where movement sensitive structures are located within the zone of influence of excavation, a coefficient of lateral earth pressure, K , of at least 0.55, for the retained soils and weathered bedrock should be adopted, assuming a horizontal surface behind the wall.
- Propped or anchored walls supporting soils and weathered bedrock at the eastern portion of the site should be designed to resist a trapezoidal earth pressure distribution. Where movement sensitive structures are not present within the zone of influence of the excavation a lateral pressure of 6H kPa may be adopted, while where movement sensitive structures are present within the zone of influence of the excavation, a lateral earth pressure distribution of 8H kPa should be adopted. The 45° sloping backfill must be added to the above pressures as a surcharge load, as detailed below.
- All surcharge loads, such as from the sloping ground above the wall at the eastern portion of the site, construction equipment, stockpiles, structures (including 'Barrenjoey House' footings), etc. and appropriate hydrostatic pressures should be added to the above pressures.
- A bulk unit weight of 20kN/m³ and 22kN/m³ should be adopted for the soil and weathered bedrock profiles, respectively.
- The soldier pile retaining walls should be provided with complete and permanent drainage of the ground behind the walls and existing at the base of the shotcrete. The subsoil drains should incorporate a non-woven geotextile fabric (eg. Bidim A34), to act as a filter against subsoil erosion.
- Toe resistance of the wall may be achieved by keying the footing into the weathered bedrock below bulk excavation level. An allowable lateral stress of 200kPa may be adopted for design. This assumes that full passive restraint can be mobilised in the rock and that features such as excavations in front of the wall do not reduce the available capacity. In this regard we recommend that when calculating the required depth of embedment needed for lateral restraint the first 0.5m of the socket below bulk excavation and all localised excavations should be ignored. This allows for disturbance during tracking or for accidental over-excavation. All retaining wall designs should be reviewed by a geotechnical engineer prior to construction to confirm that appropriate design values have been adopted.

- Anchors or bolts may be designed based on an allowable bond strength of 70kPa in weathered bedrock. Temporary anchors used for lateral support should be bonded beyond a line drawn up at 45° from the bulk excavation level. All anchors should be proof stressed to at least 1.3 times their working load and then locked off at about 80% of the working load.
- Where temporary anchors extend below adjoining properties permission from the respective property owners must be obtained before installation.
- Long term support is understood to be provided by the built structure. Once constructed temporary anchors will then be destressed.

We have found that detailed retaining wall designs using geotechnical software such as WALLAP and PLAXIS can produce more economical wall designs than by using the apparent earth pressure recommendations above. However, WALLAP, does not have input parameters to review scenarios where there are adverse joints, large wedge failures, etc, and therefore specific checks need to be carried to review these. Otherwise these can be reviewed using PLAXIS. We consider that the following preliminary geotechnical design parameters could be adopted for shoring wall design using such software packages. However, as noted above, only designers with experience in modelling jointed rock masses should undertake this design.

Preliminary Shoring Wall Design Parameters					
Material Type	Unit Weight (above/below GW) (kN/m ³)	Effective Friction Angle (degrees)	Effective cohesion (kPa)	Elastic Modulus (MPa)	Poisson's Ratio
Soils (including fill)	18/20	27	0	8	0.3
Weathered Bedrock <small>Note 1</small>	22/22	26	30	75	0.3

Note on table above:

Note 1: The above assumes an intact rock mass free from adverse defects, such as adversely orientated joints forming large wedge failures, etc. Therefore, we recommend that the designer consider the support requirements necessary should adverse defects be present, detail additional support measures that may be necessary should such defects be present and ensure that the cut faces between the soldier piles be progressively inspected during excavation by a geotechnical engineer so that should adverse defects be present they may be identified and additional support measures installed.

7.1.7 Excavations will encounter predominately weathered bedrock over the eastern portion of the site and sandy soils over the western portion. Some soils will be present in the upper hillside east of the soldier pile wall and soils for the full depth of excavation are anticipated over the western portion of the site. Excavation of the soils and weathered bedrock up to low strength, should be achievable using conventional excavation equipment, such as medium sized excavators (say 15 to 20 tonnes) with buckets and “tiger teeth” attached. Where the bedrock is of low or higher strength, “harder rock” excavation techniques will be required.

“Harder rock” excavation techniques may consist of percussive or non-percussive techniques. Percussive techniques comprise the use of rock hammers, while non-percussive techniques comprise rotary grinders, rock saws, ripping, rock splitting etc. Where percussive excavation techniques are adopted there is the risk that transmitted vibrations may damage nearby movement

sensitive structures such as the 'Barrenjoey House' building to the north and the residential building to the south. Where percussive excavation techniques are used continuous vibration monitoring will be necessary. The prescribed vibration limits that should be adopted are set out in the Vibration Emission Design Goals attached to the rear of this report. Since the 'Barrenjoey House' is a heritage building, and since nearby buildings may be supported on loose granular soils, particular care will be required to keep vibrations as low as possible to reduce the risk of damage to these structures. Consequently, it is our recommendation that percussive rock excavation techniques not be adopted. Where rock is unable to be ripped that line cutting techniques in conjunction with ripping be adopted.

Reference should be made to the Acid Sulphate Soils assessment by JK Environments and any other environmental reports prior to excavations.

- 7.1.8 Groundwater monitoring wells have been installed during our investigations in BH101 and BH102. During the time of our investigation and subsequent monitoring, the results indicate that the groundwater level gradient is falling towards the west, typically ranging from depths between about 0.85m (BH102, RL1.85m) and 2.0m (BH101, RL0.7m). However, we anticipate that the groundwater level may fluctuate by at least 1m, especially following extended periods of wet weather and climatic changes, and may rise to the approximate level of Barrenjoey Road (i.e. approximately RL2.85m). According to the Northern Beaches Council database the western portion of the site is within a flood zone. Therefore, we recommend the design groundwater level be adopted at or above RL2.85m.

With regards to climate change related groundwater level rise, expert advice should be obtained. As a preliminary guide, global sea levels are anticipated to increase by between 45cm and 88cm by 2090 (Ref: CoastAdapt, Information Manual 2, National Climate Change, 2016), although it is likely that local variations will occur along the coastline.

Based on monitoring to date and the Council database, groundwater will be above bulk excavation level. As such, dewatering will be required to enable excavation and construction to be completed in a 'dry' condition. Further, the basement structure will need to be tanked and designed to resist uplift forces in the long term. The structure must be designed to resist the hydrostatic uplift pressures that will result from the anticipated design groundwater table. Where the building has insufficient mass to resist the uplift pressures vertical anchors will be required and must be bonded into the underlying weathered bedrock to resist uplift pressures. Design of these anchors will be governed by both the bond resistance of the rock and structure/strength of the underlying rock mass. Once anchor details, such as spacing, location and design loads are available these should be reviewed by the geotechnical engineer. As a preliminary guide anchors socketed into weathered bedrock may be designed for an allowable bond stress of 70kPa, but as discussed above, the structure and strength of the rock mass must also be considered in the design.

Temporary dewatering during construction will be necessary following installation of the shoring system. A dewatering licence will need to be obtained from the WaterNSW for all temporary dewatering activities. Estimated extraction volumes based on the existing groundwater levels are provided above in Section 6.6.

- 7.1.9 All proposed footings must be founded in the underlying bedrock. Footings founded in bedrock of very low strength or better may be designed for an allowable bearing pressure of 700kPa, subject to inspection by a geotechnical engineer prior to pouring concrete. Where footings are located close to the edge of localised excavations, they must be wholly founded below a line drawn upwards from the base of the excavation at 1V:1H.

While pad footings should be suitable for most of the site, there is some uncertainties regarding the depth of bedrock closer to Barrenjoey Road. Where bedrock is deeper than 1m, pile footings may be more appropriate. Where pile footings are adopted and are socketed a minimum of 0.3m into weathered bedrock an ABP of 700kPa may be adopted. Where piles extend below a nominal 0.3m socket into rock, allowable shaft adhesions of 10% and 5% of the ABP may be adopted for compressive and tensile (uplift) loads, respectively. This assumes that the rock socket is suitably roughened. Due to the presence of a high groundwater level and sandy soils CFA grout injected piles will be required where adopted.

- 7.1.10 The surface water discharging from the new roof and paved areas must be diverted to outlets for controlled discharge to Council's stormwater system. In addition, we recommend a drain east of the proposed building be provided to intercept surface water run-off from upslope and connected to the stormwater system.

- 7.1.11 At bulk excavation we anticipate there will be bedrock over the eastern portion and soils over the western portion. We anticipate that where soils are exposed that bedrock will be at shallow depths.

Since there are some uncertainties regarding the depth of filling and depth of rock closest to Barrenjoey Road, where soils are exposed at bulk excavation level, we feel it prudent to carrying out some subgrade preparation, but recognise that this is not strictly necessary as the basement slab will be designed for full uplift pressures and will be fully suspended on the underlying bedrock. In this regard, where soils are exposed, the subgrade may be proof rolled. All proof rolling should be carried out without vibration. The purpose of proof rolling is to increase the near surface density of the subgrade and to identify. Care should be taken not to use rollers that are excessively large. We suggest a roller of only about 5 tonnes be used.

Where bedrock is exposed at bulk excavation no proof rolling is required although a coarse granular de-bonding layer should be placed over the surface of the rock. This same coarse granular layer may be placed over the remainder of the site and rolled in to form a sound working layer, particularly where the exposed subgrade is not particularly trafficable.

Where pavements are located outside of the basement excavation and will be supported on the natural soils, we recommend that all topsoil and root affected soils first be stripped from site. Following stripping the exposed subgrade should be proof rolled using a minimum 5 tonne smooth drum roller. The purpose of proof rolling is to identify any loose or unstable zones. Where unstable zones are identified they should be excavated down to a sound base and replaced with engineered fill. Should such zones be identified further advice will be provided on site and insitu density testing will be required to confirm that the fill has been placed to the required specification.

8.1.12 According to AS1170.4-2007 'Structural Design Actions – Part 4: Earthquake Actions in Australia', including Amendment No. 1 (August 2015) and Amendment No. 2 (February 2018) the site classifies as Class D_e. This is based on soil with an SPT N-value of less than 6, but with a soil layer less than 10m thick.

The Hazard Factor, Z, for Sydney is 0.08.

7.1.13 The laboratory test results indicate that for buried concrete structures the soils have a 'Mild' exposure classification in accordance with Table 6.4.2 (C) of AS2159-2009 "Piling Design and Installation". For buried steel structures the soils have a 'Non-Aggressive' exposure classification in accordance with Table 6.5.2 (C) AS2159-2009.

7.1.14 The guidelines for Hillside Construction given in Appendix B should also be adopted.

7.2 Conditions Recommended to the Detailed Design to be Undertaken for the Construction Certificate

7.2.1 All structural design drawings must be reviewed by the geotechnical engineer who should endorse that the recommendations contained in this report have been adopted in principle.

7.2.2 All hydraulic design drawings must be reviewed by the geotechnical engineer who should endorse that the recommendations contained in this report have been adopted in principle.

7.2.3 All landscape design drawings must be reviewed by the geotechnical engineer who should endorse that the recommendations contained in this report have been adopted in principle.

7.2.4 Dilapidation surveys must be carried out on the neighbouring buildings and structures to the north and south. A copy of the dilapidation report must be provided to the relevant property owners who should be asked to review and sign the reports to confirm that they represent an accurate record of existing conditions. These reports may also be required to be submitted to Council or the Principle Certifying Authority.

7.2.5 An excavation/retention methodology must be prepared prior to bulk excavation commencing. The methodology must include but not be limited to proposed excavation techniques, the proposed excavation equipment, excavation sequencing, geotechnical inspection intervals or hold points, vibration monitoring procedures, monitor locations, monitor types, contingency plans in case of exceedances.

7.2.6 The excavation/retention methodology must be reviewed and approved by the geotechnical engineer.

7.3 Conditions Recommended During the Construction Period

7.3.1 The approved excavation/retention methodology must be followed.

7.3.2 With regards to the sloping ground east of the proposed shoring system, if as-built records cannot be obtained we recommend that in the initial stage of construction three test pits be excavated to

review the subsurface conditions. Since geogrids have likely been installed these should be cut prior to excavation and will need to be reinstated per the designers and/or geotechnical engineers recommendations on reinstatement. Prior to excavating the test pits, we recommend that the designer (understood to be D.F. Dickson) be contacted with the test pit methodology plan.

- 7.3.2 Where percussive excavation techniques are used continuous vibration monitoring will be necessary. The prescribed vibration limits set out in the Vibration Emission Design Goals attached to the rear of this report should be adopted. Since the 'Barrenjoey House' is a heritage building, and may be supported on loose granular soils, we recommend that a peak particle velocity (PPV) of 3mm/s be adopted as the trigger level.
- 7.3.3 We understand that the existing sandstone boulders and shotcrete along the southern boundary will not be removed. Following removal of a 0.5m wide vertical strip of shotcrete the exposed materials must be inspected by the geotechnical engineer so that further advice may be provided on the necessary support requirements. Excavation below, and the installation of support measures must be completed in a carefully staged manner and may comprise the installation of a soil nail wall as the excavation progressively deepens. The geotechnical engineer is to witness the stabilisation works during construction. The cut will need to be progressively inspected with the frequency of inspections determined after the removal of the strip of shotcrete and subsequent geotechnical inspection.
- 7.3.4 The geotechnical engineer is to witness the installation of the retaining wall piles to confirm that the design criteria is satisfied.
- 7.3.5 All rock anchors must be proof-tested to 1.3 times the working load. In addition, the anchors must be subjected to lift-off testing no sooner than 24 hours after locking off at the working load. The proof-testing and lift-off tests must be witnessed by the geotechnical engineer. The anchor contractor must provide the geotechnical engineer with all field records including anchor installation and testing records.
- 7.3.7 The bedrock exposed between the soldier piles and for localised excavations below bulk excavation level (i.e. lift pits, etc.) must be progressively inspected by the geotechnical engineer as excavation proceeds. We recommend inspections at 1.5m vertical depth intervals in rock and on completion of the bulk excavation works/localised deeper excavations. The purpose of this inspection is to check for the presence of adversely orientated defects within the rock mass. Where the retaining wall has been designed to support the most adverse case of adversely orientated defects these inspections will not be necessary.
- 7.3.8 We recommend that the groundwater levels around the site be carefully monitored prior to and during the construction period to review the groundwater levels that were modelled and establish exactly what effect dewatering is having, respectively. All monitoring results should be reviewed by the geotechnical and hydraulic engineers and, where the measured groundwater levels or pump out rates differ markedly from those predicted in our analysis, modifications to the proposed dewatering system may need to be made.
- 7.3.9 The geotechnical engineer must inspect all footing excavations including piled footings (if carried out) prior to placing reinforcement or pouring the concrete.

- 7.3.10 Proposed material to be used for backfilling behind retaining walls, if carried out within the building structure, must be approved by the geotechnical engineer prior to placement.
- 7.3.11 Compaction density of any fill placed must be checked by a NATA registered laboratory to at least Level 2 in accordance with, and to the frequency outlined in, AS3798, and the results submitted to the geotechnical engineer.
- 7.3.12 If they are to be retained, the existing stormwater system, sewer and water mains must be checked for leaks by using static head and pressure tests under the direction of the hydraulic engineer or architect, and repaired if found to be leaking.
- 7.3.13 The geotechnical engineer must inspect all subsurface drains prior to backfilling.
- 7.3.14 An 'as-built' drawing of all buried services at the site must be prepared (including all pipe diameters, pipe depths, pipe types, inlet pits, inspection pits, etc).
- 7.3.15 The geotechnical engineer must confirm that the proposed works have been completed in accordance with the geotechnical reports.

We note that all above Conditions must be complied with. Where this has not been done, it may not be possible for Form 3, which is required for the Occupation Certificate to be signed.

7.4 Conditions Recommended for Ongoing Management of the Site/Structure(s)

The following recommendations have been included so that the current and future owners of the subject property are aware of their responsibilities:

- 7.4.1 All existing and proposed surface (including roof) and subsurface drains must be subject to ongoing and regular maintenance by the property owners. In addition, such maintenance must also be carried out by a plumber at no more than ten yearly intervals; including provision of a written report confirming scope of work completed (with reference to the 'as-built' drawing) and identifying any required remedial measures.
- 7.4.2 No cut or fill in excess of 0.5m (eg. for landscaping, buried pipes, retaining walls, etc), is to be carried out on site without prior consent from Council.
- 7.4.3 Where the structural engineer has indicated a design life of less than 100 years then the structure and/or structural elements must be inspected by a structural engineer at the end of their design life; including a written report confirming scope of work completed and identifying the required remedial measures to extend the design life over the remaining 100 year period.

8 OVERVIEW

It is possible that the subsurface soil, rock or groundwater conditions encountered during construction may be found to be different (or may be interpreted to be different) between borehole locations or from those inferred in preparing this report. Also, we have not had the opportunity to observe surface run-off patterns during heavy rainfall and cannot comment directly on this aspect. If conditions appear to be at variance or cause concern for any reason, then we recommend that you immediately contact this office.



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Reference 1: Australian Geomechanics Society (2007c) *'Practice Note Guidelines for Landslide Risk Management'*, Australian Geomechanics, Vol 42, No 1, March 2007, pp63-114.

Reference 2: MacGregor, P, Walker, B, Fell, R, and Leventhal, A (2007) *'Assessment of Landslide Likelihood in the Pittwater Local Government Area'*, Australian Geomechanics, Vol 42, No 1, March 2007, pp183-196.



TABLE A1
SUMMARY OF RISK ASSESSMENT TO PROPERTY

POTENTIAL LANDSLIDE HAZARD	A	B	C	D	E
	Stability of existing large boulder near/at the southern boundary (requires shotcrete slope below to fail, assumed as engineered)	Stability of the soldier pile wall to the east of the buildings (assumed as engineered)	Stability of the hillside upslope (east) of the soldier pile wall (assumed as engineered)	Stability of the localised 0.8m high vertical cut in fill along a 1m length at the southern boundary	Stability of new engineered retaining walls
Assessed Likelihood	Rare	Barely Credible	Rare	Likely	Barely Credible
Assessed Consequence	Minor	Minor	Minor	Insignificant	Medium
Risk	Very Low	Very Low	Very Low	Very Low	Very Low
Comments					

***Property Value Assumed to be \$4.5 million**



TABLE B1
SUMMARY OF RISK ASSESSMENT TO LIFE

POTENTIAL LANDSLIDE HAZARD	A	B	C	D	E
	Stability of existing large boulder near/at the southern boundary (requires shotcrete slope below to fail, assumed as engineered)	Stability of the soldier pile wall to the east of the buildings (assumed as engineered)	Stability of the hillside upslope (east) of the soldier pile wall (assumed as engineered)	Stability of the localised 0.8m high vertical cut in fill along a 1m length at the southern boundary	Stability of new engineered retaining walls
Assessed Likelihood	Rare	Barely Credible	Rare	Likely	Barely Credible
Indicative Annual Probability	10^{-5}	10^{-6}	10^{-5}	10^{-2}	10^{-6}
Duration of Use of area Affected (Temporal Probability)	Below, 5min/day (3.47×10^{-3})	Above, 1 min/month (2.28×10^{-5}) Below, 10min/day (6.94×10^{-3})	Above or on, 5 min/day (3.47×10^{-3}) Below, 10min/day (6.94×10^{-3})	Below, 5min/day (3.47×10^{-3})	Above, 1hr/day (4.17×10^{-2}) Below, 8hrs/day (3.33×10^{-1})
Probability of not Evacuating Area Affected	0.5	Above, 1.0 Below, 1.0	Above, 1.0 Below, 1.0	0.1	Above, 1.0 Below, 1.0
Spatial Probability	0.43 (7.5m length boulder)/17.5m length driveway)	Above, 0.11 (5m length fails/45m length of wall) Below, 0.11 (5m length fails/45m length of wall)	Above, 0.076 (5m length of slope failure/66m length of upper slope) Below, 0.11 (5m length of slope failure/45m length of site below site)	0.057 (1m length/17.5m length driveway)	Above, 0.035 (5m/142m) Below, 0.035 (5m/142m)
Vulnerability to Life if Failure Occurs Whilst Person Present	1.0	Above, 0.5 Below, 1.0	Above, 0.5 Below, 1.0	0.001	Above, 0.5 Below, 1.0
Risk for Person most at Risk	7.46×10^{-9}	Above, 1.25×10^{-12} Below, 7.63×10^{-10}	Above, 1.32×10^{-9} Below, 7.63×10^{-9}	1.98×10^{-10}	Above, 7.30×10^{-10} Below, 1.17×10^{-8}
Combined total Risk FOR Person most at Risk	3.0×10^{-8}				

TABLE A
MOISTURE CONTENT TEST REPORT

Client: JK Geotechnics
Project: Proposed Residential Development
Location: 1102 Barrenjoey Road, Palm Beach, NSW

Ref No: 33618YJ
Report: A
Report Date: 10/11/2020
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AS 1289	TEST METHOD	2.1.1
BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH m	MOISTURE CONTENT %
101	3.15 - 3.25	11.0
102	0.20 - 0.40	6.8

Notes:

- Refer to appropriate notes for soil descriptions
- Date of receipt of sample: 05/11/2020.
- Sampled and supplied by client. Samples tested as received.



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Authorised Signature / Date
(T. Finnegan)

TABLE B
POINT LOAD STRENGTH INDEX TEST REPORT

Client:	Reform Projects Pty Ltd	Ref No:	33618YJ
Project:	Proposed Residential Development	Report:	B
Location:	1102 Barrenjoey Road, PALM BEACH, NSW	Report Date:	11/11/20

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BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	IS (50) (MPa)	ESTIMATED UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (MPa)	TEST DIRECTION
101	3.95 - 3.98	0.04	1	A
	4.15 - 4.19	0.1	2	A
	5.39 - 5.43	0.07	1	A
	5.80 - 5.84	0.08	2	A
	6.10 - 6.13	0.1	2	A
	6.74 - 6.77	0.01	<1	A
	7.21 - 7.24	0.07	1	A
	8.23 - 8.26	0.06	1	A
	8.87 - 8.89	0.1	2	A
	9.00 - 9.02	0.4	8	A
	9.37 - 9.40	0.4	8	A
102	0.77 - 0.80	0.07	1	A
	1.39 - 1.43	0.1	2	A
	1.91 - 1.95	0.09	2	A
	2.14 - 2.17	0.2	4	A
	2.75 - 2.78	0.3	6	A
	3.17 - 3.21	0.1	2	A
	3.28 - 3.32	0.1	2	A
	3.83 - 3.87	0.1	2	A
	4.13 - 4.16	0.09	2	A
	4.72 - 4.75	0.1	2	A
	5.30 - 5.33	0.7	1	A
	5.17 - 5.21	0.6	12	A
	5.76 - 5.80	0.3	6	A
	6.27 - 6.31	0.06	1	A
	6.69 - 6.72	0.08	2	A

NOTE: SEE PAGE 2

TABLE B
POINT LOAD STRENGTH INDEX TEST REPORT

Client:	Reform Projects Pty Ltd	Ref No:	33618YJ
Project:	Proposed Residential Development	Report:	B
Location:	1102 Barrenjoey Road, PALM BEACH, NSW	Report Date:	11/11/20

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BOREHOLE NUMBER	DEPTH (m)	IS (50) (MPa)	ESTIMATED UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (MPa)	TEST DIRECTION
102	7.30 - 7.32	0.1	2	A
	7.83 - 7.86	0.1	2	A
	8.06 - 8.08	0.2	4	A
	8.65 - 8.68	0.2	4	A

NOTES

1. In the above table, testing was completed in test direction A for the axial direction, D for the diametral direction, B for the block test and L for the lump test.
2. The above strength tests were completed at the 'as received' moisture content.
3. Test Method: RMS T223.
4. For reporting purposes, the IS(50) has been rounded to the nearest 0.1MPa, or to one significant figure if less than 0.1MPa.
5. The estimated Unconfined Compressive Strength was calculated from the Point Load Strength Index based on the correlation provided in AS1726:2017 'Geotechnical Site Investigations' and rounded off to the nearest whole number: U.C.S. = 20 IS(50).



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Client Details

Client	JK Geotechnics
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Sample Details

Your Reference	33618YJ, Palm Beach
Number of Samples	3 Soil
Date samples received	05/11/2020
Date completed instructions received	05/11/2020

Analysis Details

Please refer to the following pages for results, methodology summary and quality control data.

Samples were analysed as received from the client. Results relate specifically to the samples as received.

Results are reported on a dry weight basis for solids and on an as received basis for other matrices.

Report Details

Date results requested by 12/11/2020

Date of Issue 12/11/2020

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Results Approved By

Priya Samarawickrama, Senior Chemist

Authorised By

Nancy Zhang, Laboratory Manager

Misc Inorg - Soil				
Our Reference		255075-1	255075-2	255075-3
Your Reference	UNITS	BH101	BH101	BH101
Depth		1-1.2	2.6-2.8	3.0-3.15
Date Sampled		04/11/2020	04/11/2020	04/11/2020
Type of sample		Soil	Soil	Soil
Date prepared	-	06/11/2020	06/11/2020	06/11/2020
Date analysed	-	06/11/2020	06/11/2020	06/11/2020
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units	7.2	7.4	7.0
Chloride, Cl 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	20	32	10
Sulphate, SO4 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	33	29	<10
Resistivity in soil*	ohm m	150	200	310

Client Reference: 33618YJ, Palm Beach

Method ID	Methodology Summary
Inorg-001	pH - Measured using pH meter and electrode in accordance with APHA latest edition, 4500-H+. Please note that the results for water analyses are indicative only, as analysis outside of the APHA storage times.
Inorg-002	Conductivity and Salinity - measured using a conductivity cell at 25oC in accordance with APHA 22nd ED 2510 and Rayment & Lyons. Resistivity is calculated from Conductivity (non NATA). Resistivity (calculated) may not correlate with results otherwise obtained using Resistivity-Current method, depending on the nature of the soil being analysed.
Inorg-081	Anions - a range of Anions are determined by Ion Chromatography, in accordance with APHA latest edition, 4110-B. Waters samples are filtered on receipt prior to analysis. Alternatively determined by colourimetry/turbidity using Discrete Analyser.

Client Reference: 33618YJ, Palm Beach

QUALITY CONTROL: Misc Inorg - Soil				Duplicate				Spike Recovery %		
Test Description	Units	PQL	Method	Blank	#	Base	Dup.	RPD	LCS-1	255075-2
Date prepared	-			06/11/2020	1	06/11/2020	06/11/2020		06/11/2020	06/11/2020
Date analysed	-			06/11/2020	1	06/11/2020	06/11/2020		06/11/2020	06/11/2020
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units		Inorg-001	[NT]	1	7.2	7.2	0	100	[NT]
Chloride, Cl 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	10	Inorg-081	<10	1	20	10	67	98	90
Sulphate, SO4 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	10	Inorg-081	<10	1	33	29	13	102	108
Resistivity in soil*	ohm m	1	Inorg-002	<1	1	150	150	0	[NT]	[NT]

Result Definitions

NT	Not tested
NA	Test not required
INS	Insufficient sample for this test
PQL	Practical Quantitation Limit
<	Less than
>	Greater than
RPD	Relative Percent Difference
LCS	Laboratory Control Sample
NS	Not specified
NEPM	National Environmental Protection Measure
NR	Not Reported

Quality Control Definitions

Blank	This is the component of the analytical signal which is not derived from the sample but from reagents, glassware etc, can be determined by processing solvents and reagents in exactly the same manner as for samples.
Duplicate	This is the complete duplicate analysis of a sample from the process batch. If possible, the sample selected should be one where the analyte concentration is easily measurable.
Matrix Spike	A portion of the sample is spiked with a known concentration of target analyte. The purpose of the matrix spike is to monitor the performance of the analytical method used and to determine whether matrix interferences exist.
LCS (Laboratory Control Sample)	This comprises either a standard reference material or a control matrix (such as a blank sand or water) fortified with analytes representative of the analyte class. It is simply a check sample.
Surrogate Spike	Surrogates are known additions to each sample, blank, matrix spike and LCS in a batch, of compounds which are similar to the analyte of interest, however are not expected to be found in real samples.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines recommend that Thermotolerant Coliform, Faecal Enterococci, & E.Coli levels are less than 1cfu/100mL. The recommended maximums are taken from "Australian Drinking Water Guidelines", published by NHMRC & ARMC 2011.	
The recommended maximums for analytes in urine are taken from "2018 TLVs and BEIs", as published by ACGIH (where available). Limit provided for Nickel is a precautionary guideline as per Position Paper prepared by AIOH Exposure Standards Committee, 2016.	
Guideline limits for Rinse Water Quality reported as per analytical requirements and specifications of AS 4187, Amdt 2 2019, Table 7.2	

Laboratory Acceptance Criteria

Duplicate sample and matrix spike recoveries may not be reported on smaller jobs, however, were analysed at a frequency to meet or exceed NEPM requirements. All samples are tested in batches of 20. The duplicate sample RPD and matrix spike recoveries for the batch were within the laboratory acceptance criteria.

Filters, swabs, wipes, tubes and badges will not have duplicate data as the whole sample is generally extracted during sample extraction.

Spikes for Physical and Aggregate Tests are not applicable.

For VOCs in water samples, three vials are required for duplicate or spike analysis.

Duplicates: >10xPQL - RPD acceptance criteria will vary depending on the analytes and the analytical techniques but is typically in the range 20%-50% – see ELN-P05 QA/QC tables for details; <10xPQL - RPD are higher as the results approach PQL and the estimated measurement uncertainty will statistically increase.

Matrix Spikes, LCS and Surrogate recoveries: Generally 70-130% for inorganics/metals (not SPOCAS); 60-140% for organics/SPOCAS (+/-50% surrogates) and 10-140% for labile SVOCs (including labile surrogates), ultra trace organics and speciated phenols is acceptable.

In circumstances where no duplicate and/or sample spike has been reported at 1 in 10 and/or 1 in 20 samples respectively, the sample volume submitted was insufficient in order to satisfy laboratory QA/QC protocols.

When samples are received where certain analytes are outside of recommended technical holding times (THTs), the analysis has proceeded. Where analytes are on the verge of breaching THTs, every effort will be made to analyse within the THT or as soon as practicable.

Where sampling dates are not provided, Envirolab are not in a position to comment on the validity of the analysis where recommended technical holding times may have been breached.

Measurement Uncertainty estimates are available for most tests upon request.


Analysis of aqueous samples typically involves the extraction/digestion and/or analysis of the liquid phase only (i.e. NOT any settled sediment phase but inclusive of suspended particles if present), unless stipulated on the Envirolab COC and/or by correspondence. Notable exceptions include certain Physical Tests (pH/EC/BOD/COD/Apparent Colour etc.), Solids testing, total recoverable metals and PFAS where solids are included by default.

Samples for Microbiological analysis (not Amoeba forms) received outside of the 2-8°C temperature range do not meet the ideal cooling conditions as stated in AS2031-2012.

BOREHOLE LOG

Client: REFORM PROJECTS PTY LTD
Project: PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
Location: 1102-1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW

Job No.: 33618YJ **Method:** SPIRAL AUGER **R.L. Surface:** ~2.7 m
Date: 4/11/20 **Datum:** AHD
Plant Type: JK205 **Logged/Checked By:** B.S./J.M.

Groundwater Record	SAMPLES				Field Tests	RL (m AHD)	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	Unified Classification	DESCRIPTION	Moisture Condition/ Weathering	Strength/ Rel Density	Hand Penetrometer Readings (kPa)	Remarks
	ES	U50	DB	DS										
(1.96m depth) GW ON 5/1/20 (2.44m depth) GW ON 5/1/20 ON COMPLETION OF AUGERING					N = 9 3,4,5	2			FILL: Gravel, fine to coarse grained igneous and sandstone gravel, brick and concrete fragments. FILL: Silty sand, fine grained, brown, trace of fine to coarse grained sandstone gravel, and concrete fragments. FILL: Clayey sand, fine to medium grained, grey and brown, trace of quartz gravel.	D M			APPEARS WELL COMPACTED GRAVEL EMBEDDED IN SPT CATCHER, POTENTIALLY AFFECTED SPT POSSIBLY MARINE (NATURAL)	
					N = 3 1,1,2	1			SM	Silty SAND: fine to medium grained, yellow brown.	M	VL		MARINE
					N > 15 3,15/ 100mm REFUSAL	0				Silty SAND: fine to coarse grained, red brown, trace of clay and fine to medium grained sub-rounded ironstone gravel and fine grained quartz gravel.	W			
						3			-	Extremely Weathered laminite: silty CLAY, medium plasticity, dark brown, with iron indurated bands.	XW DW - XW	Hd VL - Hd		NEWPORT FORMATION VERY LOW 'TC' BIT RESISTANCE
(2.1m depth) GW ON 5/1/20 (2.5m depth) GW ON 5/1/20 OF CORING						-1			Interbedded SANDSTONE and SILTSTONE: fine grained, grey and dark grey, with extremely weathered bands. REFER TO CORED BOREHOLE LOG					GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL INSTALLED TO 9.4m. CLASS 18 MACHINE SLOTTED 50mm DIA. PVC STANDPIPE 9.4m TO 1.9m. CASING 1.9m TO 0m. 2mm SAND FILTER PACK 9.4m TO 1.4m. BENTONITE SEAL 1.4m TO 0m. BACKFILLED WITH SAND TO THE SURFACE. COMPLETED WITH A CONCRETED GATIC COVER.

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CORED BOREHOLE LOG

Client: REFORM PROJECTS PTY LTD
Project: PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
Location: 1102-1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW

Job No.: 33618YJ **Core Size:** NMLC **R.L. Surface:** ~2.7 m
Date: 4/11/20 **Inclination:** VERTICAL **Datum:** AHD
Plant Type: JK205 **Bearing:** N/A **Logged/Checked By:** B.S./J.M.

Water Loss Level	Barrel Lift	RL (m AHD)	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	CORE DESCRIPTION Rock Type, grain characteristics, colour, texture and fabric, features, inclusions and minor components	Weathering	Strength	POINT LOAD STRENGTH INDEX $I_p(50)$	SPACING (mm)	DEFECT DETAILS		Formation
										Specific	General	
					START CORING AT 3.42m							
			-1		Extremely Weathered interbedded sandstone and siltstone: silty CLAY, medium plasticity, grey, dark grey and orange brown, sandstone, with iron indurated bands and very low strength bands and sandy clay seams of low plasticity.	XW	Hd				(3.60m) HP: >600 kPa (3.80m) HP: >600 kPa	Newport Formation
			4		LAMINITE: fine grained, grey and dark grey.	HW	VL	0.040 0.10			(4.55m) HP: >600 kPa (4.95m) HP: 510 kPa (5.20m) HP: 500 kPa	
			-2		Extremely Weathered laminite: silty CLAY, medium plasticity, dark grey, with iron indurated bands.	XW	Hd				(5.44m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Cn (5.57m) Jh, 70° (5.91m) Jh, 70°	
			5		SILTSTONE: dark grey, distinctly bedded at 0°.	HW	VL	0.070 0.080 0.10			(6.27m) J, 60°, P, R, Clay FILLED, 2 mm.t (6.55m) XWS, 0°, 140 mm.t (6.83m) XWS, 0°, 10 mm.t (6.95m) XWS, 0°, 30 mm.t	
			-3		LAMINITE: fine grained, grey and dark grey, distinctly bedded at 0°.			0.010 0.070			(7.26m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Cn (7.51m) XWS, 0°, 20 mm.t (7.64m) J, 90°, Un, R, Clay Ct	
			7		Extremely Weathered laminite: silty CLAY, medium plasticity, dark grey and grey, with very low strength bands.	XW	Hd					
			-5		NO CORE 0.35m							
			8		LAMINITE: fine grained, grey and dark grey, with iron indurated and sandstone bands, distinctly bedded at 0-10°.	HW	VL - L	0.060 0.10 0.40			(8.21m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Clay Ct (8.50m) XWS, 0°, 10 mm.t (8.73m) XWS, 0°, 15 mm.t (8.83m) Be, 5°, Un, R, Fe Sn (8.90m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Cn (9.05m) Be, 0°, P, R, Cn	
			-6			MW	M					
			9		END OF BOREHOLE AT 9.40 m							
			-7									

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Job No: 33618YJ
Borehole No: BH101
Depth: 3.42m - 9.40m



33618YJ BH101 CORING STARTS AT 3.42m



BOREHOLE LOG

Client: REFORM PROJECTS PTY LTD
Project: PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
Location: 1102-1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW

Job No.: 33618YJ **Method:** SPIRAL AUGER **R.L. Surface:** ~2.7 m
Date: 4/11/20 **Datum:** AHD
Plant Type: JK205 **Logged/Checked By:** B.S./J.M.

Groundwater Record	SAMPLES				Field Tests	RL (m AHD)	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	Unified Classification	DESCRIPTION	Moisture Condition/ Weathering	Strength/ Rel Density	Hand Penetrometer Readings (kPa)	Remarks
	ES	U50	DB	DS										
DRY ON COMPLETION OF AUGERING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>														
						2			-	FILL: Gravel, fine to coarse grained, igneous and sandstone gravel, bricks and concrete fragments. Interbedded SANDSTONE and SILTSTONE: fine to medium grained, dark grey, grey and brown, with iron indurated bands. REFER TO CORED BOREHOLE LOG	D DW	VL - L		NEWPORT FORMATION VERY LOW 'TC' BIT RESISTANCE GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL INSTALLED TO 8.98m. CLASS 18 MACHINE SLOTTED 50mm DIA. PVC STANDPIPE 8.98m TO 1.5m. CASING 1.5m TO 0m. 2mm SAND FILTER PACK 8.98m TO 0.6m. BENTONITE SEAL 0.6m TO 0m. BACKFILLED WITH SAND TO THE SURFACE. COMPLETED WITH A CONCRETED GATIC COVER.
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CORED BOREHOLE LOG

Client: REFORM PROJECTS PTY LTD
Project: PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
Location: 1102-1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW

Job No.: 33618YJ **Core Size:** NMLC **R.L. Surface:** ~2.7 m
Date: 4/11/20 **Inclination:** VERTICAL **Datum:** AHD
Plant Type: JK205 **Bearing:** N/A **Logged/Checked By:** B.S./J.M.

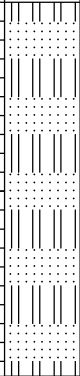
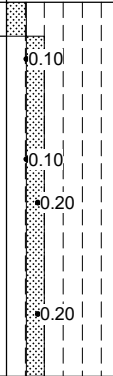

Water Loss Level	Barrel Lift	RL (m AHD)	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	CORE DESCRIPTION Rock Type, grain characteristics, colour, texture and fabric, features, inclusions and minor components	Weathering	Strength	POINT LOAD STRENGTH INDEX $I_p(50)$		SPACING (mm)	DEFECT DETAILS DESCRIPTION Type, orientation, defect shape and roughness, defect coatings and seams, openness and thickness		Formation
								VL-0.1 L-0.3 M-1 T-3 VH-10 EH			Specific	General	
					START CORING AT 0.46m								
			2		Interbedded SILTSTONE (60%) and SANDSTONE (40%): fine grained, grey, brown and dark grey, with iron indurated and laminite bands, distinctly bedded at 5-10°.	HW	VL					(0.50m) J, 45°, Un, R, Fe Sn (0.61m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Fe Sn (0.63m) Be x 2, 0°, Un, R, Fe Sn (0.68m) XWS, 0°, 10 mm.t (0.74m) XWS, 0°, 20 mm.t (0.82m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Fe Sn	Newport Formation
		1		VL - L								(1.06m) Be, 5°, C, R, Clay FILLED, 2 mm.t (1.08m) Jh, 50° (1.27m) XWS, 0°, 8 mm.t (1.36m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Fe Sn	
		1									(1.63m) Be, 5°, P, R, Fe Sn (1.81m) Be, 5°, Un, R, Fe Sn (1.97m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Fe Sn (2.09m) J, 25°, P, R, Cn (2.35m) Be, 5°, P, R, Fe Sn (2.54m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Clay FILLED, 2 mm.t		
		0				MW	L				(3.00m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Fe Sn (3.06m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Fe Sn (3.15m) Be, 0°, P, R, Clay Ct		
		3			LAMINITE: fine grained, grey, brown and dark grey, with dark grey siltstone, with sandstone and siltstone bands and iron indurated bands, distinctly bedded at 5°.						(3.38m) XWS, 0°, 5 mm.t (3.50m) Be, 5°, P, R, Fe St (3.58m) XWS, 0°, 15 mm.t (3.70m) XWS, 0°, 5 mm.t (3.78m) Be, 0°, Un, R, Fe Sn		
		-1									(4.03m) XWS, 0°, 120 mm.t (4.34m) J, 30 - 90°, Un, R, Cn (4.53m) XWS, 0°, 5 mm.t		
		-2			Interbedded SANDSTONE (60%) and SILTSTONE (40%): fine grained, grey, brown and dark grey, with laminite bands, distinctly bedded at 5°.								
		5			LAMINITE: fine grained, grey, brown and dark grey, with iron indurated bands.								
		-3									(6.06-6.17m) Rock fractured below Be, 0°, Fe Sn		
		6			Interbedded SANDSTONE and SILTSTONE: as below								
		-4									(6.83m) XWS, 0°, 80 mm.t		

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CORED BOREHOLE LOG

Client: REFORM PROJECTS PTY LTD
Project: PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
Location: 1102-1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW

Job No.: 33618YJ **Core Size:** NMLC **R.L. Surface:** ~2.7 m
Date: 4/11/20 **Inclination:** VERTICAL **Datum:** AHD
Plant Type: JK205 **Bearing:** N/A **Logged/Checked By:** B.S./J.M.

Water Loss/Level Barrel Lift	RL (m AHD)	Depth (m)	Graphic Log	CORE DESCRIPTION Rock Type, grain characteristics, colour, texture and fabric, features, inclusions and minor components	Weathering	Strength	POINT LOAD STRENGTH INDEX $I_p(50)$	DEFECT DETAILS		Formation	
								SPACING (mm)	DESCRIPTION Type, orientation, defect shape and roughness, defect coatings and seams, openness and thickness		
100% RETURN	-5	8		Interbedded SANDSTONE and SILTSTONE: fine grained, grey and brown sandstone, inter bedded with dark grey siltstone, with laminite and iron indurated bands and highly weathered bands.	HW	VL			Specific	General	
					MW	L			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (7.05m) XWS, 0°, 130 mm.t (7.20-7.50m) J, 50 - 90°, Ir, S, Cn (7.74m) J x 2, 40 - 80°, Ir, S, Cn (8.12m) J, 30°, C, R, Clay Ct (8.35m) XWS, 0°, 70 mm.t (8.48m) J, 80°, Un, R, Cn (8.83m) J, 90°, Ir, R, Cn (8.92m) XWS, 0°, 10 mm.t 		
		9		END OF BOREHOLE AT 8.98 m							
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Job No: 33618YJ

Borehole No: BH102

Depth: 0.46m - 8.98m



33618YJ BH102 CORING STARTS AT 0.46m





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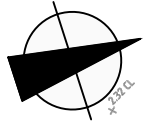
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Location:	1102 - 1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW	
Report No:	33618YJrptrev2	Figure No: 1

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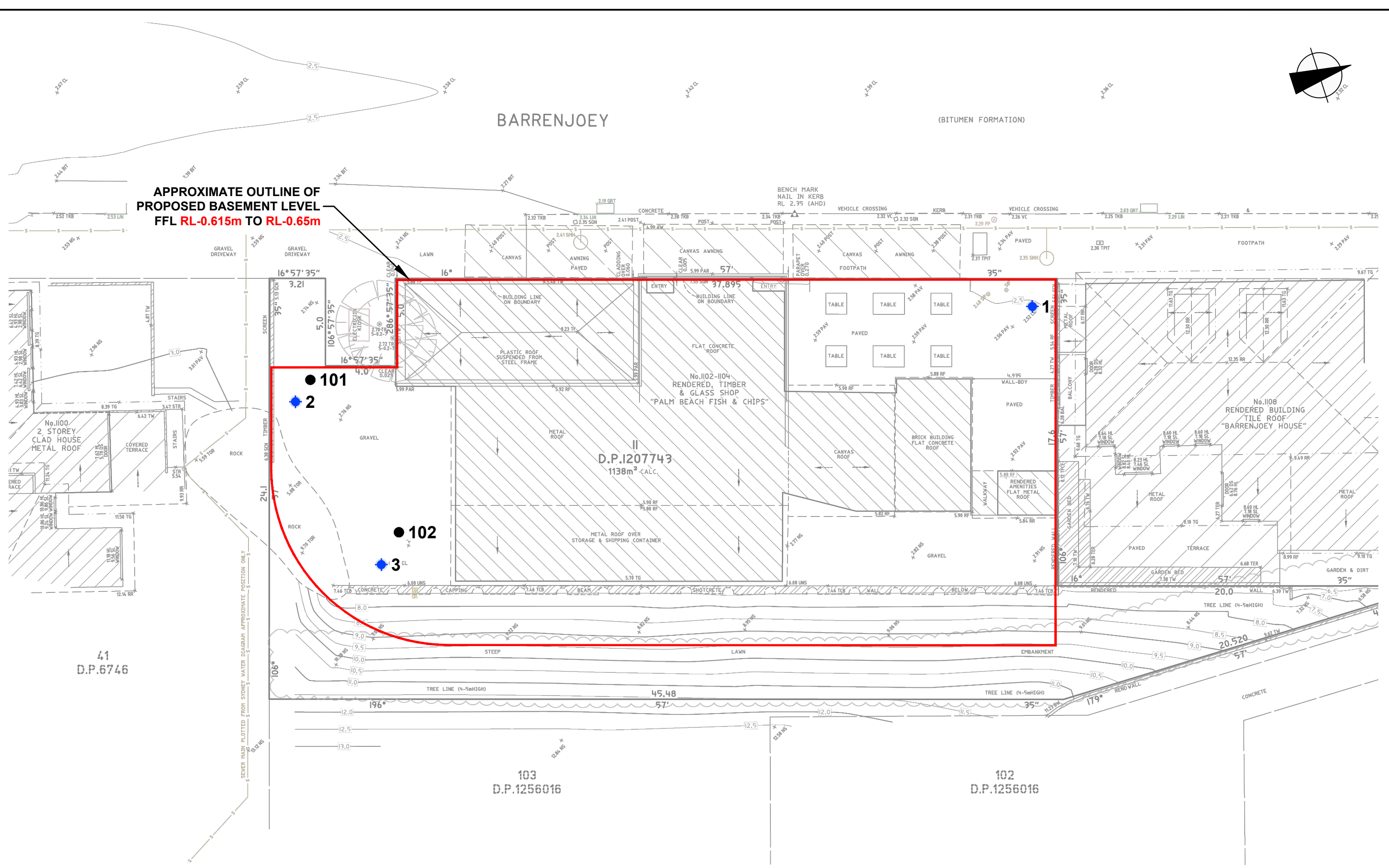




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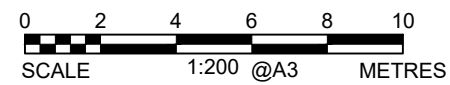
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APPROXIMATE OUTLINE OF PROPOSED BASEMENT LEVEL
FFL **RL-0.615m TO RL-0.65m**



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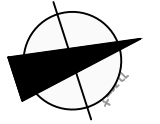


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Title: BOREHOLE LOCATION PLAN	
Location: 1102 - 1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW	
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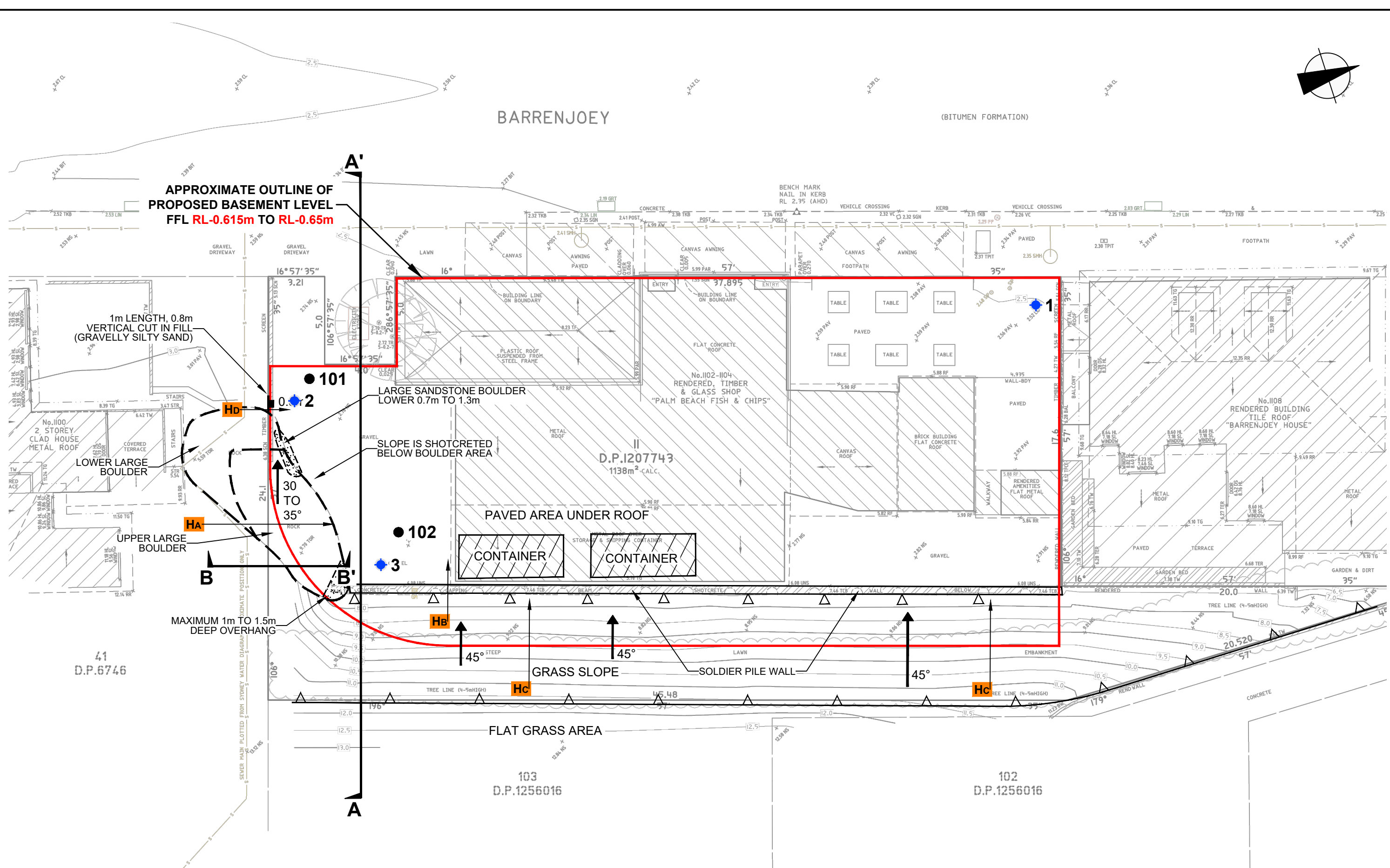
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APPROXIMATE OUTLINE OF PROPOSED BASEMENT LEVEL
FFL RL-0.615m TO RL-0.65m



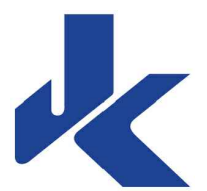
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 - Hd → GEOTECHNICAL HAZARD + DIRECTION OF MOVEMENT IF FAILURE OCCURS
 - A-A' CROSS SECTION

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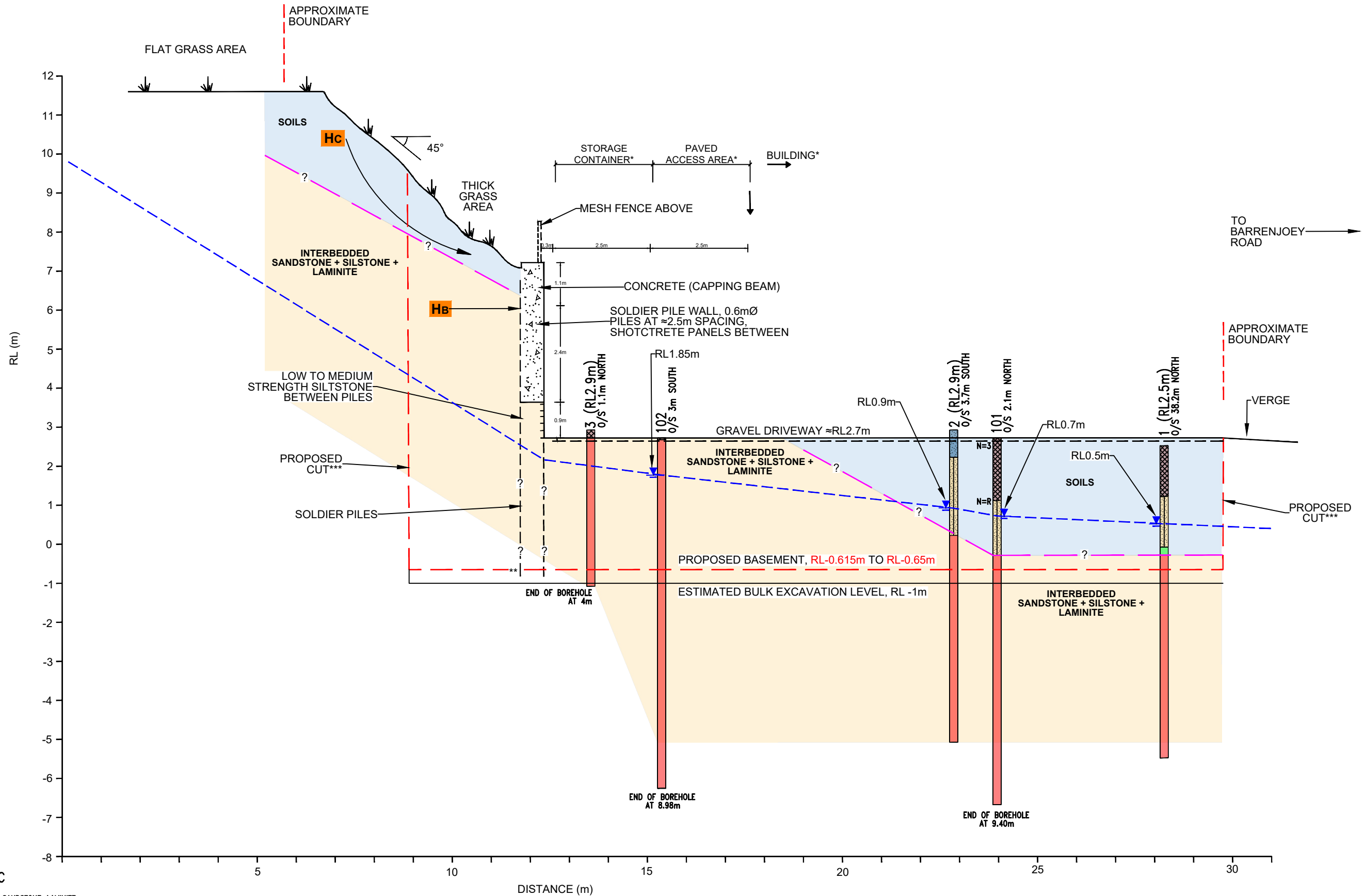
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Location: 1102 - 1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW	
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MATERIAL GRAPHIC

- INTERBEDDED SILTSTONE, SANDSTONE+LAMINITE
- SILTY SAND
- SAND
- FILL
- CLAY

LEGEND

- ? ? INFERRED GEOTECHNICAL UNIT
- INFERRED GROUNDWATER
- Hc** → GEOTECHNICAL HAZARD + DIRECTION OF MOVEMENT IF FAILURE OCCURS

NOTES:

- * 6m LONG STORAGE , ACCESS AREA + BUILDING SET IN 11m FROM SOUTHERN BOUNDARY + 6m FROM BOULDER.
- ** SOLDIER PILE WALL TOE SHOWN AT RL-0.25m IN ARCHITECTURAL CROSS SECTION.
- *** EXTENTS SHOWN ARE FOR PROPOSED WIDEST PORTION OF EASTERN + WESTERN BOUNDARY. HIGHEST GROUNDWATER SHOWN

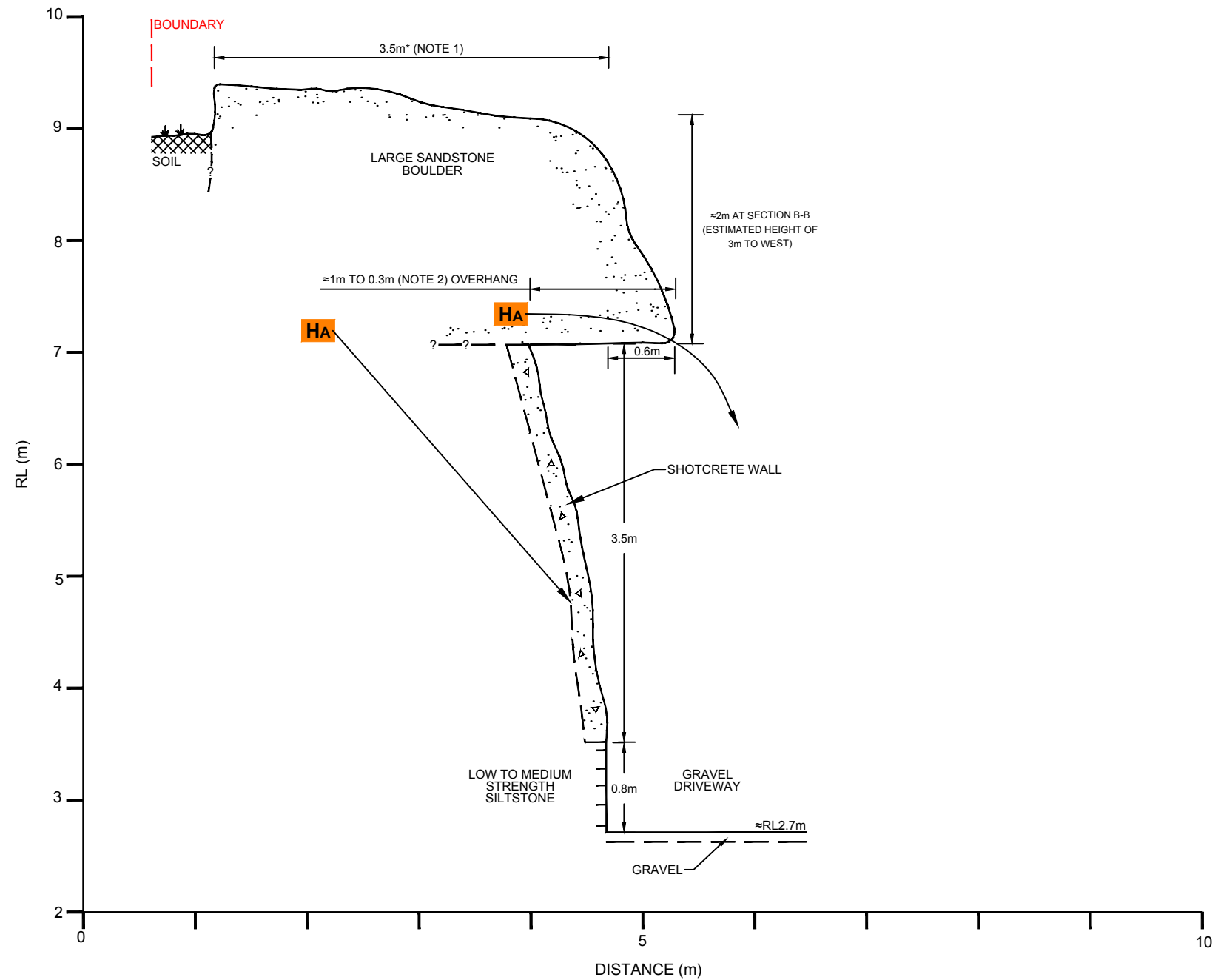
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SECTION A-A'	
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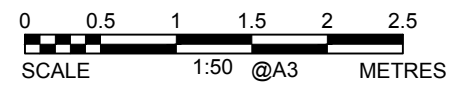




Hc → GEOTECHNICAL HAZARD + DIRECTION OF MOVEMENT IF FAILURE OCCURS

NOTES:

- *(1) FURTHER WEST BOULDER SLOPES DOWN AT ≈30 TO 35° + CROSS ES SOUTHERN BOUNDARY
- (2) DEEPEST AT EASTERN END, OVERHANG ≈1.5m IN LENGTH



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Title: SECTION B-B'	
Location: 1102 - 1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW	
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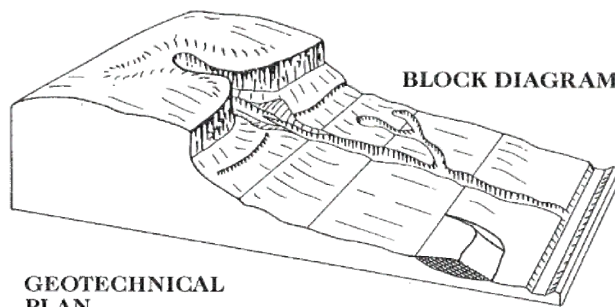
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		breaks of slope	} convex and concave too close together to allow the use of separate symbols
		changes of slope	
		sharp	} ridge crest
		rounded	
		Cliff or escarpment or sharp break 40° or more (estimated height in metres)	
		15 → Uniform Slope	} Slope direction and angle (Degrees)
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		8) → Convex Slope	
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		Bottom	
		Hummocky or irregular ground	

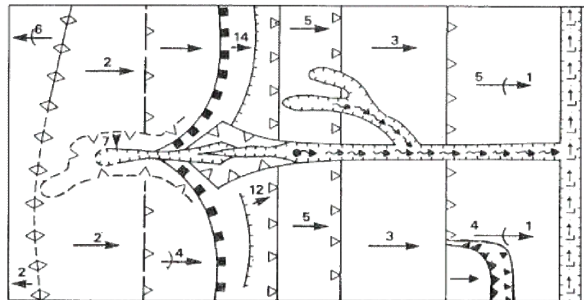
OTHER FEATURES

	Boulder
	Seepage/spring
	Swallow hole for runoff
	Natural water course
	Open drain, unlined
	Open drain, lined
	Fenceline
	Property boundary
	Dry Stone Wall
	J — J Major joint in rock face 200 (opening in millimetres)
	- T - T - Tension crack 10 (opening in millimetres)
	Masonry or concrete wall
	Ponding water
	Boggy or swampy area

EXAMPLE OF USE OF TOPOGRAPHIC SYMBOLS:



GEOTECHNICAL PLAN



(After Gardiner, V & Dackombe, R. V. (1983), Geomorphological Field Manual; George Allen & Unwin).

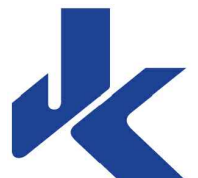
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Location: 1102 - 1106 BARRENJOEY ROAD, PALM BEACH, NSW

Report No: 33618YJ

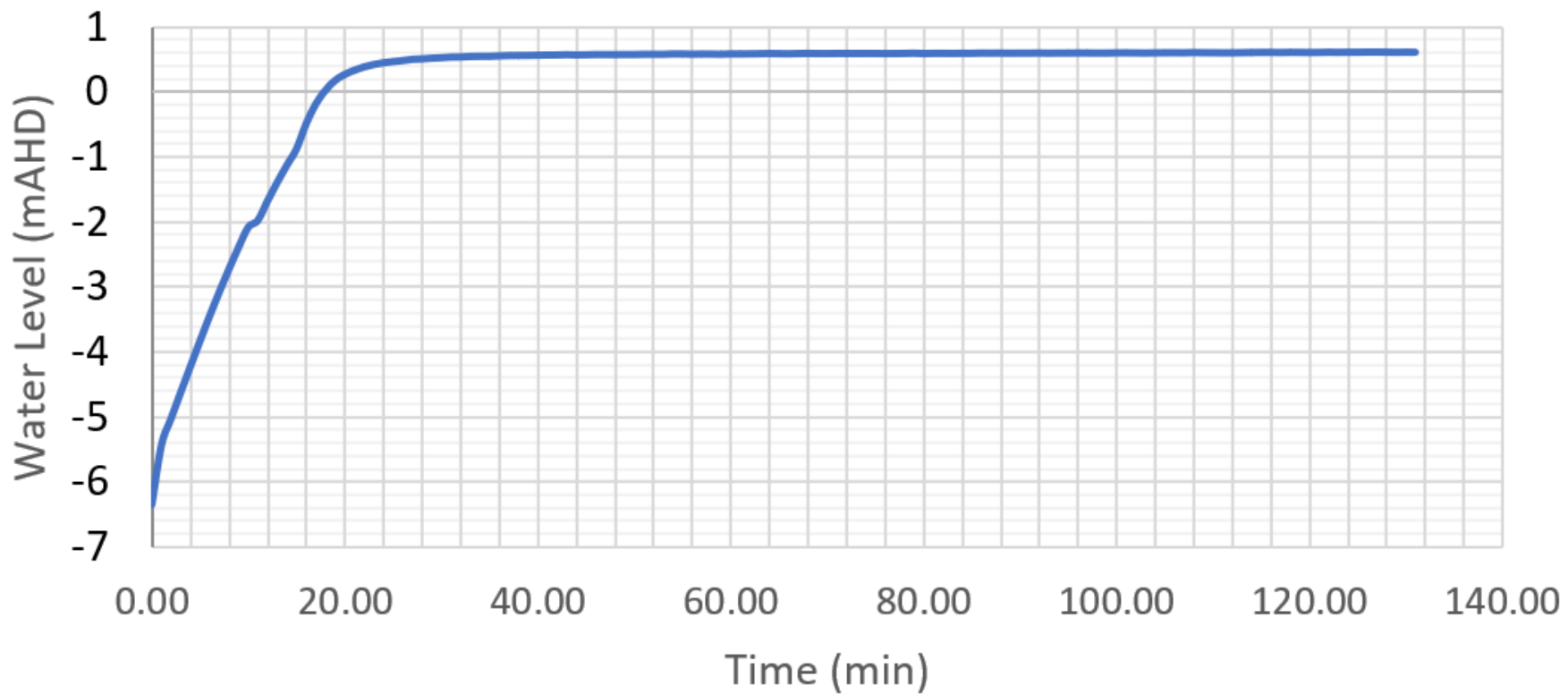
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PUMP-OUT RECOVERY TESTING VS TIME PLOT – BH101



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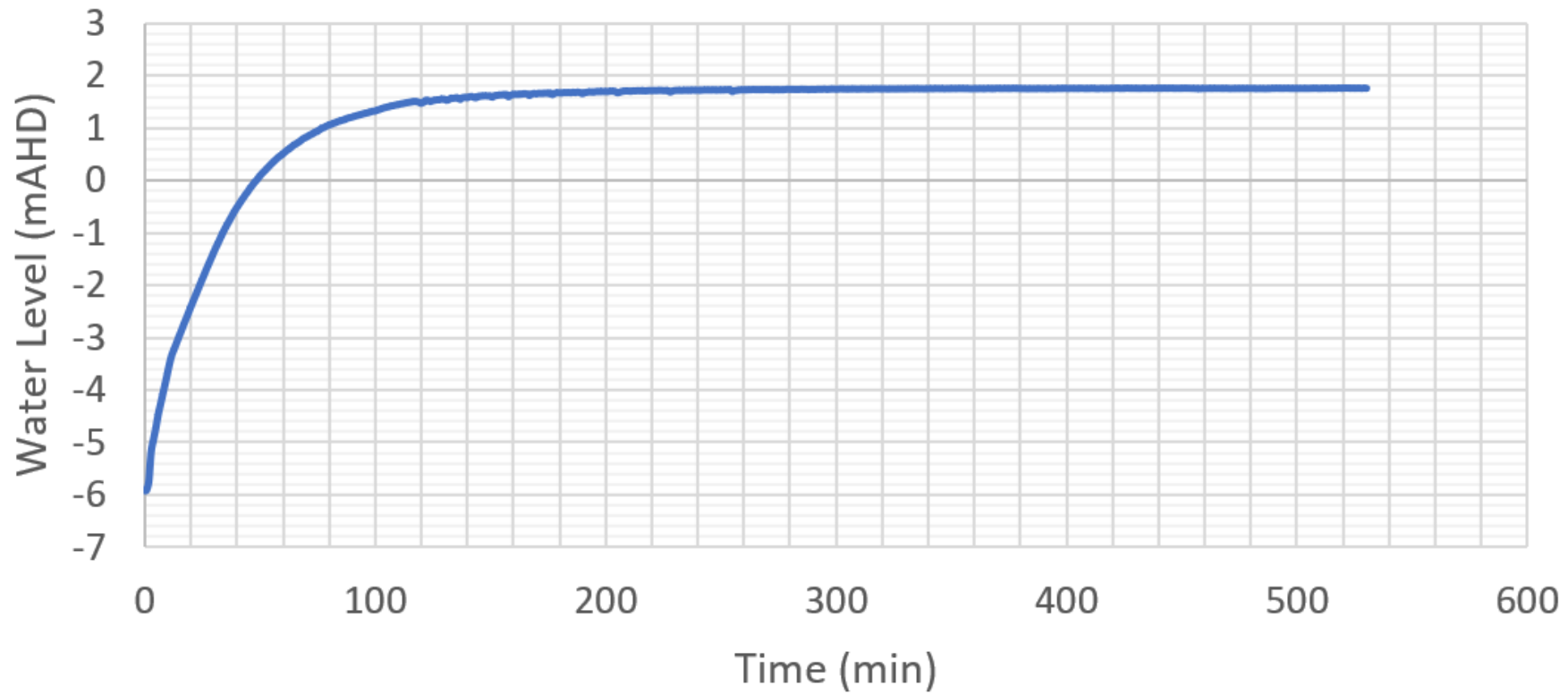
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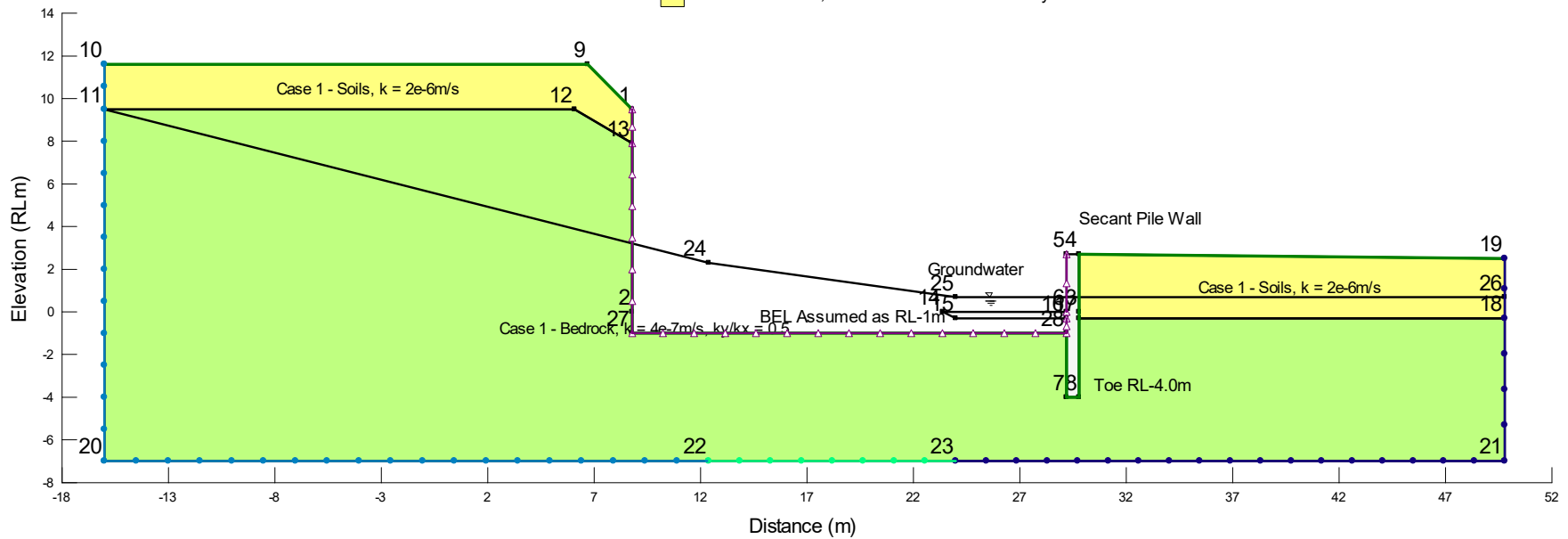
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SEEP/W - GEOTECHNICAL MODEL

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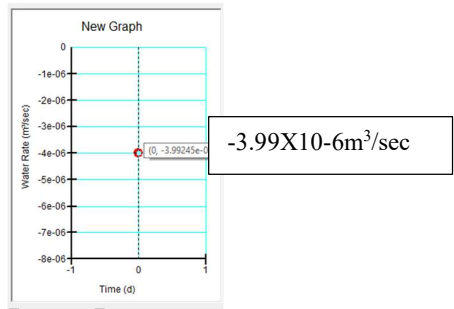
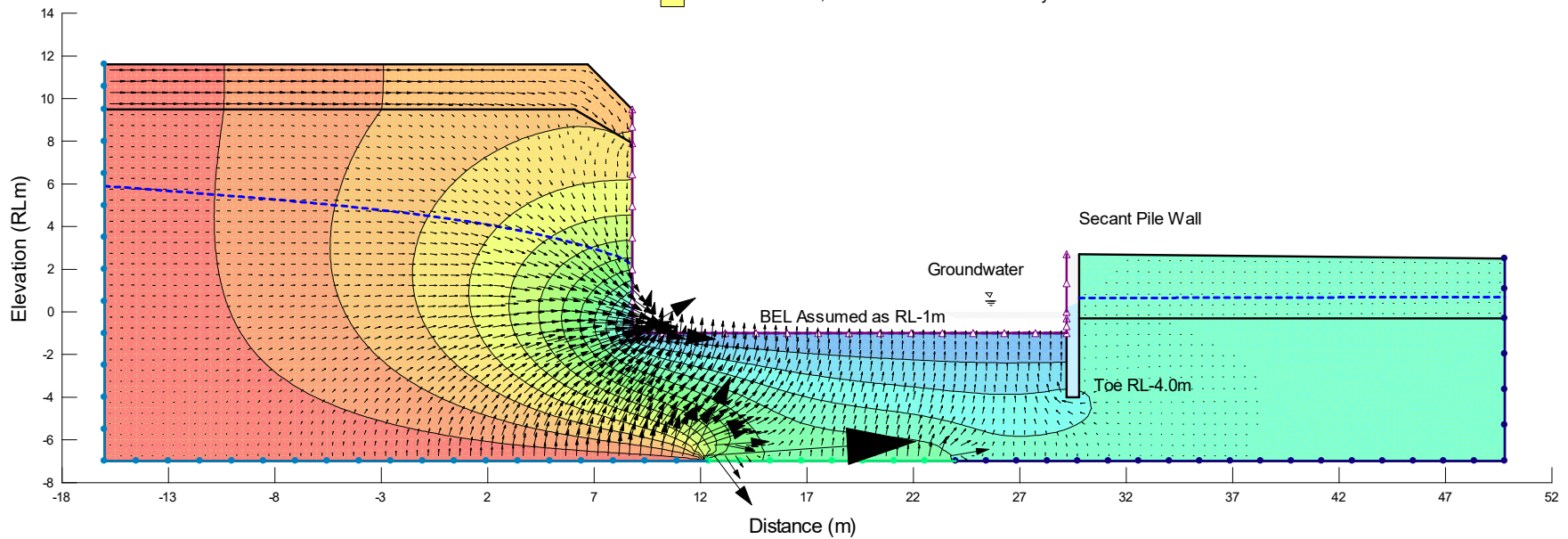
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SEEP/W – OUTPUT OF EXTRACTION VOLUMES

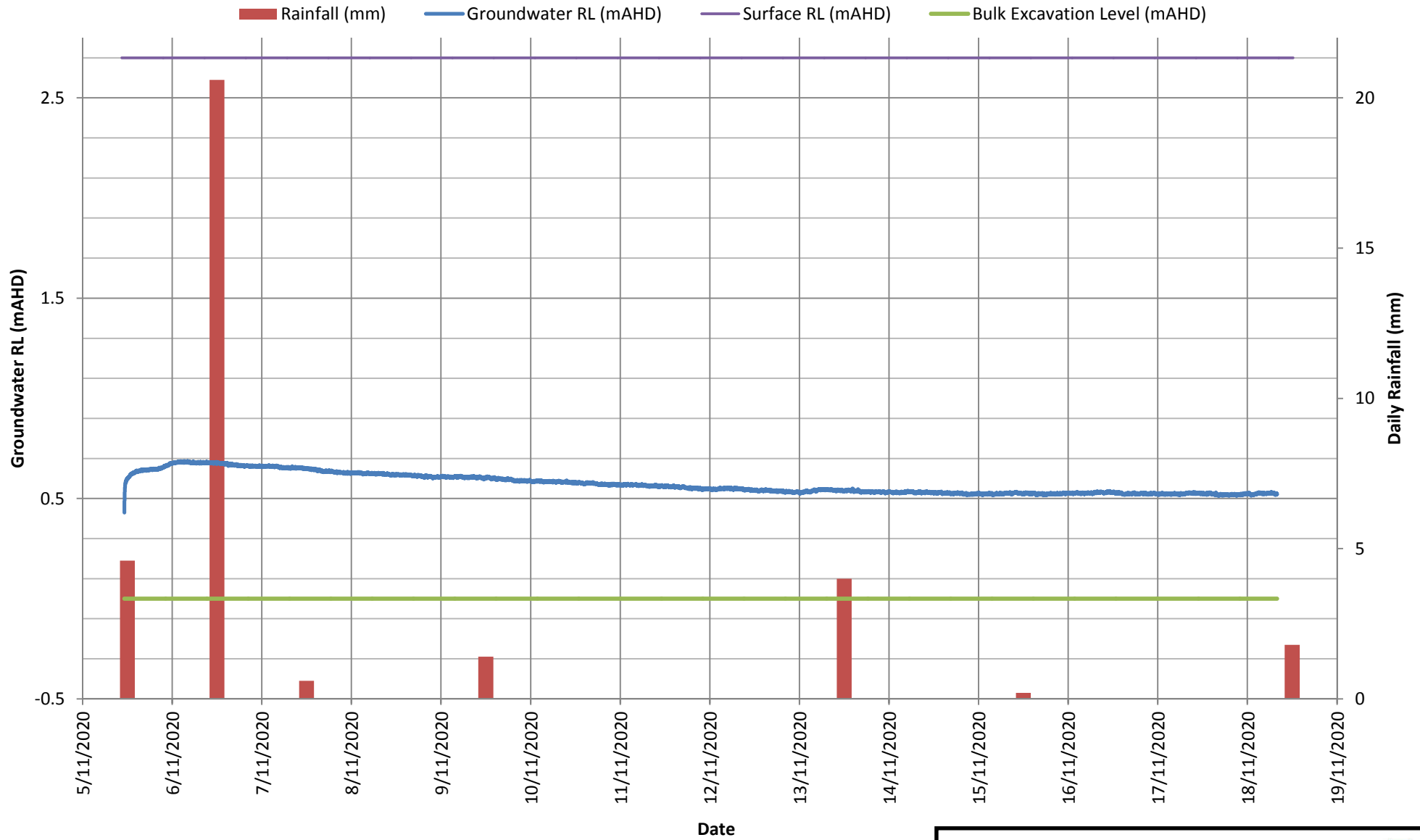
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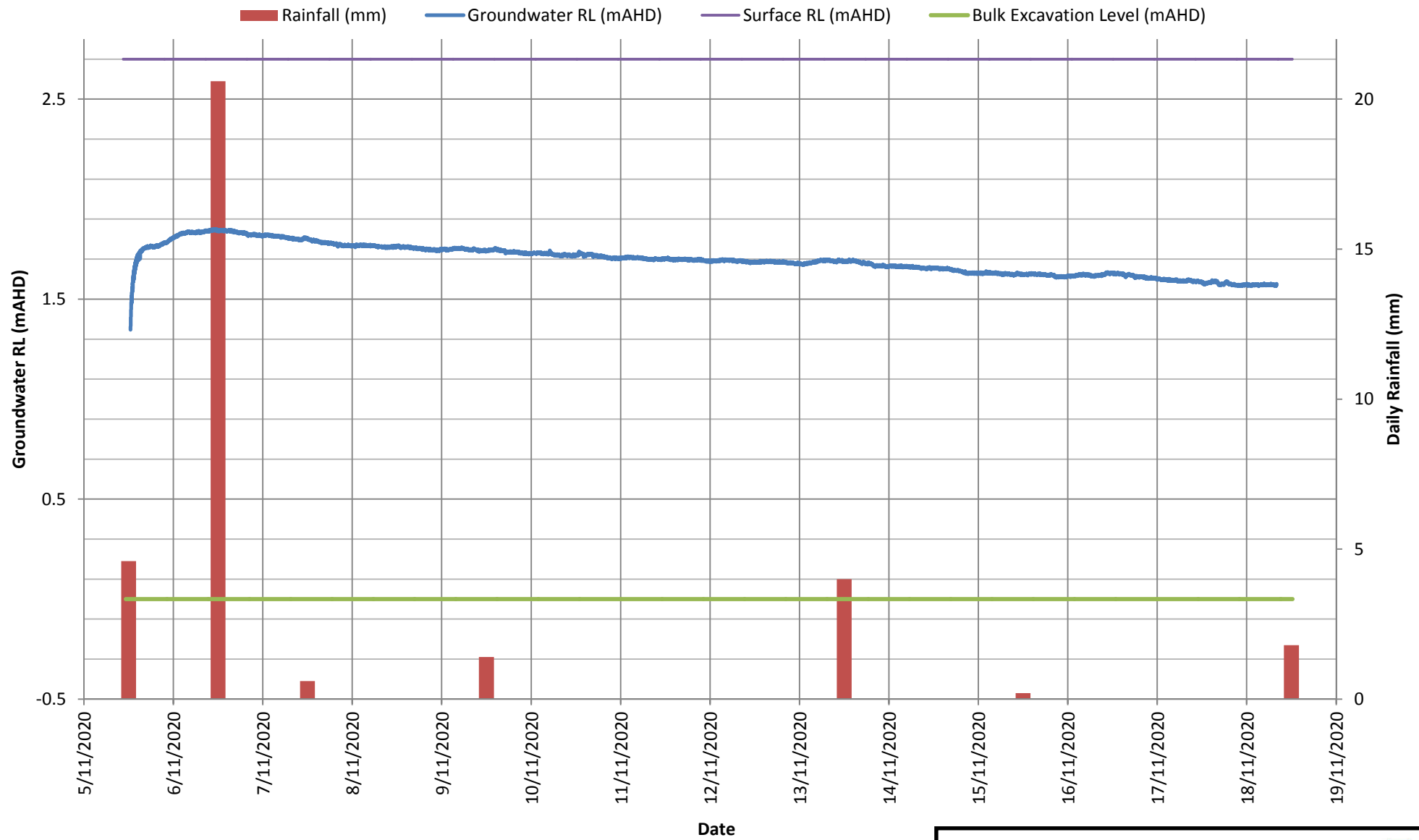
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Groundwater Level and Daily Rainfall -vs- Time Plot BH101



Groundwater Level and Daily Rainfall -vs- Time Plot BH102





VIBRATION EMISSION DESIGN GOALS

German Standard DIN 4150 – Part 3: 1999 provides guideline levels of vibration velocity for evaluating the effects of vibration in structures. The limits presented in this standard are generally recognised to be conservative.

The DIN 4150 values (maximum levels measured in any direction at the foundation, OR, maximum levels measured in (x) or (y) horizontal directions, in the plane of the uppermost floor), are summarised in Table 1 below.

It should be noted that peak vibration velocities higher than the minimum figures in Table 1 for low frequencies may be quite ‘safe’, depending on the frequency content of the vibration and the actual condition of the structure.

It should also be noted that these levels are ‘safe limits’, up to which no damage due to vibration effects has been observed for the particular class of building. ‘Damage’ is defined by DIN 4150 to include even minor non-structural effects such as superficial cracking in cement render, the enlargement of cracks already present, and the separation of partitions or intermediate walls from load bearing walls. Should damage be observed at vibration levels lower than the ‘safe limits’, then it may be attributed to other causes. DIN 4150 also states that when vibration levels higher than the ‘safe limits’ are present, it does not necessarily follow that damage will occur. Values given are only a broad guide.

Table 1: DIN 4150 – Structural Damage – Safe Limits for Building Vibration

Group	Type of Structure	Peak Vibration Velocity in mm/s			
		At Foundation Level at a Frequency of:			Plane of Floor of Uppermost Storey
		Less than 10Hz	10Hz to 50Hz	50Hz to 100Hz	All Frequencies
1	Buildings used for commercial purposes, industrial buildings and buildings of similar design.	20	20 to 40	40 to 50	40
2	Dwellings and buildings of similar design and/or use.	5	5 to 15	15 to 20	15
3	Structures that because of their particular sensitivity to vibration, do not correspond to those listed in Group 1 and 2 and have intrinsic value (eg. buildings that are under a preservation order).	3	3 to 8	8 to 10	8

Note: For frequencies above 100Hz, the higher values in the 50Hz to 100Hz column should be used.

REPORT EXPLANATION NOTES

INTRODUCTION

These notes have been provided to amplify the geotechnical report in regard to classification methods, field procedures and certain matters relating to the Comments and Recommendations section. Not all notes are necessarily relevant to all reports.

The ground is a product of continuing natural and man-made processes and therefore exhibits a variety of characteristics and properties which vary from place to place and can change with time. Geotechnical engineering involves gathering and assimilating limited facts about these characteristics and properties in order to understand or predict the behaviour of the ground on a particular site under certain conditions. This report may contain such facts obtained by inspection, excavation, probing, sampling, testing or other means of investigation. If so, they are directly relevant only to the ground at the place where and time when the investigation was carried out.

DESCRIPTION AND CLASSIFICATION METHODS

The methods of description and classification of soils and rocks used in this report are based on Australian Standard 1726:2017 'Geotechnical Site Investigations'. In general, descriptions cover the following properties – soil or rock type, colour, structure, strength or density, and inclusions. Identification and classification of soil and rock involves judgement and the Company infers accuracy only to the extent that is common in current geotechnical practice.

Soil types are described according to the predominating particle size and behaviour as set out in the attached soil classification table qualified by the grading of other particles present (eg. sandy clay) as set out below:

Soil Classification	Particle Size
Clay	< 0.002mm
Silt	0.002 to 0.075mm
Sand	0.075 to 2.36mm
Gravel	2.36 to 63mm
Cobbles	63 to 200mm
Boulders	> 200mm

Non-cohesive soils are classified on the basis of relative density, generally from the results of Standard Penetration Test (SPT) as below:

Relative Density	SPT 'N' Value (blows/300mm)
Very loose (VL)	< 4
Loose (L)	4 to 10
Medium dense (MD)	10 to 30
Dense (D)	30 to 50
Very Dense (VD)	> 50

Cohesive soils are classified on the basis of strength (consistency) either by use of a hand penetrometer, vane shear, laboratory testing and/or tactile engineering examination. The strength terms are defined as follows.

Classification	Unconfined Compressive Strength (kPa)	Indicative Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)
Very Soft (VS)	≤ 25	≤ 12
Soft (S)	> 25 and ≤ 50	> 12 and ≤ 25
Firm (F)	> 50 and ≤ 100	> 25 and ≤ 50
Stiff (St)	> 100 and ≤ 200	> 50 and ≤ 100
Very Stiff (VSt)	> 200 and ≤ 400	> 100 and ≤ 200
Hard (Hd)	> 400	> 200
Friable (Fr)	Strength not attainable – soil crumbles	

Rock types are classified by their geological names, together with descriptive terms regarding weathering, strength, defects, etc. Where relevant, further information regarding rock classification is given in the text of the report. In the Sydney Basin, 'shale' is used to describe fissile mudstone, with a weakness parallel to bedding. Rocks with alternating inter-laminations of different grain size (eg. siltstone/claystone and siltstone/fine grained sandstone) is referred to as 'laminite'.

SAMPLING

Sampling is carried out during drilling or from other excavations to allow engineering examination (and laboratory testing where required) of the soil or rock.

Disturbed samples taken during drilling provide information on plasticity, grain size, colour, moisture content, minor constituents and, depending upon the degree of disturbance, some information on strength and structure. Bulk samples are similar but of greater volume required for some test procedures.

Undisturbed samples are taken by pushing a thin-walled sample tube, usually 50mm diameter (known as a U50), into the soil and withdrawing it with a sample of the soil contained in a relatively undisturbed state. Such samples yield information on structure and strength, and are necessary for laboratory determination of shrink-swell behaviour, strength and compressibility. Undisturbed sampling is generally effective only in cohesive soils.

Details of the type and method of sampling used are given on the attached logs.

INVESTIGATION METHODS

The following is a brief summary of investigation methods currently adopted by the Company and some comments on their use and application. All methods except test pits, hand auger drilling and portable Dynamic Cone Penetrometers require the use of a mechanical rig which is commonly mounted on a truck chassis or track base.

Test Pits: These are normally excavated with a backhoe or a tracked excavator, allowing close examination of the insitu soils and 'weaker' bedrock if it is safe to descend into the pit. The depth of penetration is limited to about 3m for a backhoe and up to 6m for a large excavator. Limitations of test pits are the problems associated with disturbance and difficulty of reinstatement and the consequent effects on close-by structures. Care must be taken if construction is to be carried out near test pit locations to either properly recompact the backfill during construction or to design and construct the structure so as not to be adversely affected by poorly compacted backfill at the test pit location.

Hand Auger Drilling: A borehole of 50mm to 100mm diameter is advanced by manually operated equipment. Refusal of the hand auger can occur on a variety of materials such as obstructions within any fill, tree roots, hard clay, gravel or ironstone, cobbles and boulders, and does not necessarily indicate rock level.

Continuous Spiral Flight Augers: The borehole is advanced using 75mm to 115mm diameter continuous spiral flight augers, which are withdrawn at intervals to allow sampling and insitu testing. This is a relatively economical means of drilling in clays and in sands above the water table. Samples are returned to the surface by the flights or may be collected after withdrawal of the auger flights, but they can be very disturbed and layers may become mixed. Information from the auger sampling (as distinct from specific sampling by SPTs or undisturbed samples) is of limited reliability due to mixing or softening of samples by groundwater, or uncertainties as to the original depth of the samples. Augering below the groundwater table is of even lesser reliability than augering above the water table.

Rock Augering: Use can be made of a Tungsten Carbide (TC) bit for auger drilling into rock to indicate rock quality and continuity by variation in drilling resistance and from examination of recovered rock cuttings. This method of investigation is quick and relatively inexpensive but provides only an indication of the likely rock strength and predicted values may be in error by a strength order. Where rock strengths may have a significant impact on construction feasibility or costs, then further investigation by means of cored boreholes may be warranted.

Wash Boring: The borehole is usually advanced by a rotary bit, with water being pumped down the drill rods and returned up the annulus, carrying the drill cuttings. Only major changes in stratification can be assessed from the cuttings, together with some information from "feel" and rate of penetration.

Mud Stabilised Drilling: Either Wash Boring or Continuous Core Drilling can use drilling mud as a circulating fluid to stabilise the borehole. The term 'mud' encompasses a range of products ranging from bentonite to polymers. The mud tends to mask the cuttings and reliable identification is only possible from intermittent intact sampling (eg. from SPT and U50 samples) or from rock coring, etc.

Continuous Core Drilling: A continuous core sample is obtained using a diamond tipped core barrel. Provided full core recovery is achieved (which is not always possible in very low strength rocks and granular soils), this technique provides a very reliable (but relatively expensive) method of investigation. In rocks, NMLC or HQ triple tube core barrels, which give a core of about 50mm and 61mm diameter, respectively, is usually used with water flush. The length of core recovered is compared to the length drilled and any length not recovered is shown as NO CORE. The location of NO CORE recovery is determined on site by the supervising engineer; where the location is uncertain, the loss is placed at the bottom of the drill run.

Standard Penetration Tests: Standard Penetration Tests (SPT) are used mainly in non-cohesive soils, but can also be used in cohesive soils, as a means of indicating density or strength and also of obtaining a relatively undisturbed sample. The test procedure is described in Australian Standard 1289.6.3.1–2004 (R2016) *'Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes, Soil Strength and Consolidation Tests – Determination of the Penetration Resistance of a Soil – Standard Penetration Test (SPT)'*.

The test is carried out in a borehole by driving a 50mm diameter split sample tube with a tapered shoe, under the impact of a 63.5kg hammer with a free fall of 760mm. It is normal for the tube to be driven in three successive 150mm increments and the 'N' value is taken as the number of blows for the last 300mm. In dense sands, very hard clays or weak rock, the full 450mm penetration may not be practicable and the test is discontinued.

The test results are reported in the following form:

- In the case where full penetration is obtained with successive blow counts for each 150mm of, say, 4, 6 and 7 blows, as

N = 13
4, 6, 7

- In a case where the test is discontinued short of full penetration, say after 15 blows for the first 150mm and 30 blows for the next 40mm, as

N > 30
15, 30/40mm

The results of the test can be related empirically to the engineering properties of the soil.

A modification to the SPT is where the same driving system is used with a solid 60° tipped steel cone of the same diameter as the SPT hollow sampler. The solid cone can be continuously driven for some distance in soft clays or loose sands, or may be used where damage would otherwise occur to the SPT. The results of this Solid Cone Penetration Test (SCPT) are shown as 'N_c' on the borehole logs, together with the number of blows per 150mm penetration.

Cone Penetrometer Testing (CPT) and Interpretation:

The cone penetrometer is sometimes referred to as a Dutch Cone. The test is described in Australian Standard 1289.6.5.1–1999 (R2013) *'Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes, Soil Strength and Consolidation Tests – Determination of the Static Cone Penetration Resistance of a Soil – Field Test using a Mechanical and Electrical Cone or Friction-Cone Penetrometer'*.

In the tests, a 35mm or 44mm diameter rod with a conical tip is pushed continuously into the soil, the reaction being provided by a specially designed truck or rig which is fitted with a hydraulic ram system. Measurements are made of the end bearing resistance on the cone and the frictional resistance on a separate 134mm or 165mm long sleeve, immediately behind the cone. Transducers in the tip of the assembly are electrically connected by wires passing through the centre of the push rods to an amplifier and recorder unit mounted on the control truck. The CPT does not provide soil sample recovery.

As penetration occurs (at a rate of approximately 20mm per second), the information is output as incremental digital records every 10mm. The results given in this report have been plotted from the digital data.

The information provided on the charts comprise:

- Cone resistance – the actual end bearing force divided by the cross sectional area of the cone – expressed in MPa. There are two scales presented for the cone resistance. The lower scale has a range of 0 to 5MPa and the main scale has a range of 0 to 50MPa. For cone resistance values less than 5MPa, the plot will appear on both scales.
- Sleeve friction – the frictional force on the sleeve divided by the surface area – expressed in kPa.
- Friction ratio – the ratio of sleeve friction to cone resistance, expressed as a percentage.

The ratios of the sleeve resistance to cone resistance will vary with the type of soil encountered, with higher relative friction in clays than in sands. Friction ratios of 1% to 2% are commonly encountered in sands and occasionally very soft clays, rising to 4% to 10% in stiff clays and peats. Soil descriptions based on cone resistance and friction ratios are only inferred and must not be considered as exact.

Correlations between CPT and SPT values can be developed for both sands and clays but may be site specific.

Interpretation of CPT values can be made to empirically derive modulus or compressibility values to allow calculation of foundation settlements.

Stratification can be inferred from the cone and friction traces and from experience and information from nearby boreholes etc. Where shown, this information is presented for general guidance, but must be regarded as interpretive. The test method provides a continuous profile of engineering properties but, where precise information on soil classification is required, direct drilling and sampling may be preferable.

There are limitations when using the CPT in that it may not penetrate obstructions within any fill, thick layers of hard clay and very dense sand, gravel and weathered bedrock. Normally a 'dummy' cone is pushed through fill to protect the equipment. No information is recorded by the 'dummy' probe.

Flat Dilatometer Test: The flat dilatometer (DMT), also known as the Marchetti Dilometer comprises a stainless steel blade having a flat, circular steel membrane mounted flush on one side.

The blade is connected to a control unit at ground surface by a pneumatic-electrical tube running through the insertion rods. A gas tank, connected to the control unit by a pneumatic cable, supplies the gas pressure required to expand the membrane. The control unit is equipped with a pressure regulator, pressure gauges, an audio-visual signal and vent valves.

The blade is advanced into the ground using our CPT rig or one of our drilling rigs, and can be driven into the ground using an SPT hammer. As soon as the blade is in place, the membrane is inflated, and the pressure required to lift the membrane (approximately 0.1mm) is recorded. The pressure then required to lift the centre of the membrane by an additional 1mm is recorded. The membrane is then deflated before pushing to the next depth increment, usually 200mm down. The pressure readings are corrected for membrane stiffness.

The DMT is used to measure material index (I_b), horizontal stress index (K_0), and dilatometer modulus (E_D). Using established correlations, the DMT results can also be used to assess the 'at rest' earth pressure coefficient (K_0), over-consolidation ratio (OCR), undrained shear strength (C_u), friction angle (ϕ), coefficient of consolidation (C_h), coefficient of permeability (K_h), unit weight (γ), and vertical drained constrained modulus (M).

The seismic dilatometer (SDMT) is the combination of the DMT with an add-on seismic module for the measurement of shear wave velocity (V_s). Using established correlations, the SDMT results can also be used to assess the small strain modulus (G_0).

Portable Dynamic Cone Penetrometers: Portable Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP) tests are carried out by driving a 16mm diameter rod with a 20mm diameter cone end with a 9kg hammer dropping 510mm. The test is described in Australian Standard 1289.6.3.2–1997 (R2013) *'Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes, Soil Strength and Consolidation Tests – Determination of the Penetration Resistance of a Soil – 9kg Dynamic Cone Penetrometer Test'*.

The results are used to assess the relative compaction of fill, the relative density of granular soils, and the strength of cohesive soils. Using established correlations, the DCP test results can also be used to assess California Bearing Ratio (CBR).

Refusal of the DCP can occur on a variety of materials such as obstructions within any fill, tree roots, hard clay, gravel or ironstone, cobbles and boulders, and does not necessarily indicate rock level.

Vane Shear Test: The vane shear test is used to measure the undrained shear strength (C_u) of typically very soft to firm fine grained cohesive soils. The vane shear is normally performed in the bottom of a borehole, but can be completed from surface level, the bottom and sides of test pits, and on recovered undisturbed tube samples (when using a hand vane).

The vane comprises four rectangular blades arranged in the form of a cross on the end of a thin rod, which is coupled to the bottom of a drill rod string when used in a borehole. The size of the vane is dependent on the strength of the fine grained cohesive soils; that is, larger vanes are normally used for very low strength soils. For borehole testing, the size of the vane can be limited by the size of the casing that is used.

For testing inside a borehole, a device is used at the top of the casing, which suspends the vane and rods so that they do not sink under self-weight into the 'soft' soils beyond the depth at which the test is to be carried out. A calibrated torque head is used to rotate the rods and vane and to measure the resistance of the vane to rotation.

With the vane in position, torque is applied to cause rotation of the vane at a constant rate. A rate of 6° per minute is the common rotation rate. Rotation is continued until the soil is sheared and the maximum torque has been recorded. This value is then used to calculate the undrained shear strength. The vane is then rotated rapidly a number of times and the operation repeated until a constant torque reading is obtained. This torque value is used to calculate the remoulded shear strength. Where appropriate, friction on the vane rods is measured and taken into account in the shear strength calculation.

LOGS

The borehole or test pit logs presented herein are an engineering and/or geological interpretation of the subsurface conditions, and their reliability will depend to some extent on the frequency of sampling and the method of drilling or excavation. Ideally, continuous undisturbed sampling or core drilling will enable the most reliable assessment, but is not always practicable or possible to justify on economic grounds. In any case, the boreholes or test pits represent only a very small sample of the total subsurface conditions.

The terms and symbols used in preparation of the logs are defined in the following pages.

Interpretation of the information shown on the logs, and its application to design and construction, should therefore take into account the spacing of boreholes or test pits, the method of drilling or excavation, the frequency of sampling and testing and the possibility of other than 'straight line' variations between the boreholes or test pits. Subsurface conditions between boreholes or test pits may vary significantly from conditions encountered at the borehole or test pit locations.

GROUNDWATER

Where groundwater levels are measured in boreholes, there are several potential problems:

- Although groundwater may be present, in low permeability soils it may enter the hole slowly or perhaps not at all during the time it is left open.
- A localised perched water table may lead to an erroneous indication of the true water table.
- Water table levels will vary from time to time with seasons or recent weather changes and may not be the same at the time of construction.
- The use of water or mud as a drilling fluid will mask any groundwater inflow. Water has to be blown out of the hole and drilling mud must be washed out of the hole or 'reverted' chemically if reliable water observations are to be made.

More reliable measurements can be made by installing standpipes which are read after the groundwater level has stabilised at intervals ranging from several days to perhaps weeks for low permeability soils. Piezometers, sealed in a particular stratum, may be advisable in low permeability soils or where there may be interference from perched water tables or surface water.

FILL

The presence of fill materials can often be determined only by the inclusion of foreign objects (eg. bricks, steel, etc) or by distinctly unusual colour, texture or fabric. Identification of the extent of fill materials will also depend on investigation methods and frequency. Where natural soils similar to those at the site are used for fill, it may be difficult with limited testing and sampling to reliably assess the extent of the fill.

The presence of fill materials is usually regarded with caution as the possible variation in density, strength and material type is much greater than with natural soil deposits. Consequently, there is an increased risk of adverse engineering characteristics or behaviour. If the volume and quality of fill is of importance to a project, then frequent test pit excavations are preferable to boreholes.

LABORATORY TESTING

Laboratory testing is normally carried out in accordance with Australian Standard 1289 *'Methods of Testing Soils for Engineering Purposes'* or appropriate NSW Government Roads & Maritime Services (RMS) test methods. Details of the test procedure used are given on the individual report forms.

ENGINEERING REPORTS

Engineering reports are prepared by qualified personnel and are based on the information obtained and on current engineering standards of interpretation and analysis. Where the report has been prepared for a specific design proposal (eg. a three storey building) the information and interpretation may not be relevant if the design proposal is changed (eg. to a twenty storey building). If this happens, the Company will be pleased to review the report and the sufficiency of the investigation work.

Reasonable care is taken with the report as it relates to interpretation of subsurface conditions, discussion of geotechnical aspects and recommendations or suggestions for design and construction. However, the Company cannot always anticipate or assume responsibility for:

- Unexpected variations in ground conditions – the potential for this will be partially dependent on borehole spacing and sampling frequency as well as investigation technique.
- Changes in policy or interpretation of policy by statutory authorities.
- The actions of persons or contractors responding to commercial pressures.
- Details of the development that the Company could not reasonably be expected to anticipate.

If these occur, the Company will be pleased to assist with investigation or advice to resolve any problems occurring.

SITE ANOMALIES

In the event that conditions encountered on site during construction appear to vary from those which were expected from the information contained in the report, the Company requests that it immediately be notified. Most problems are much more readily resolved when conditions are exposed rather than at some later stage, well after the event.

REPRODUCTION OF INFORMATION FOR CONTRACTUAL PURPOSES

Where information obtained from this investigation is provided for tendering purposes, it is recommended that all information, including the written report and discussion, be made available. In circumstances where the discussion or comments section is not relevant to the contractual situation, it may be appropriate to prepare a specially edited document. The Company would

be pleased to assist in this regard and/or to make additional report copies available for contract purposes at a nominal charge.

Copyright in all documents (such as drawings, borehole or test pit logs, reports and specifications) provided by the Company shall remain the property of Jeffery and Katauskas Pty Ltd. Subject to the payment of all fees due, the Client alone shall have a licence to use the documents provided for the sole purpose of completing the project to which they relate. Licence to use the documents may be revoked without notice if the Client is in breach of any obligation to make a payment to us.

REVIEW OF DESIGN

Where major civil or structural developments are proposed or where only a limited investigation has been completed or where the geotechnical conditions/constraints are quite complex, it is prudent to have a joint design review which involves an experienced geotechnical engineer/engineering geologist.

SITE INSPECTION

The Company will always be pleased to provide engineering inspection services for geotechnical aspects of work to which this report is related.

Requirements could range from:

- i) a site visit to confirm that conditions exposed are no worse than those interpreted, to
- ii) a visit to assist the contractor or other site personnel in identifying various soil/rock types and appropriate footing or pile founding depths, or
- iii) full time engineering presence on site.

SYMBOL LEGENDS

SOIL



FILL



TOPSOIL



CLAY (CL, CI, CH)



SILT (ML, MH)



SAND (SP, SW)



GRAVEL (GP, GW)



SANDY CLAY (CL, CI, CH)



SILTY CLAY (CL, CI, CH)



CLAYEY SAND (SC)



SILTY SAND (SM)



GRAVELLY CLAY (CL, CI, CH)



CLAYEY GRAVEL (GC)



SANDY SILT (ML, MH)



PEAT AND HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS (Pt)

ROCK



CONGLOMERATE



SANDSTONE



SHALE/MUDSTONE



SILTSTONE



CLAYSTONE



COAL



LAMINITE



LIMESTONE



PHYLLITE, SCHIST



TUFF



GRANITE, GABBRO



DOLERITE, DIORITE



BASALT, ANDESITE



QUARTZITE

OTHER MATERIALS



BRICKS OR PAVERS



CONCRETE



ASPHALTIC CONCRETE

CLASSIFICATION OF COARSE AND FINE GRAINED SOILS

Major Divisions		Group Symbol	Typical Names	Field Classification of Sand and Gravel	Laboratory Classification	
Coarse grained soil (more than 68% of soil excluding oversize fraction is greater than 0.075mm)	GRAVEL (more than half of coarse fraction is larger than 2.36mm)	GW	Gravel and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	Wide range in grain size and substantial amounts of all intermediate sizes, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines	$C_u > 4$ $1 < C_c < 3$
		GP	Gravel and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines, uniform gravels	Predominantly one size or range of sizes with some intermediate sizes missing, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines	Fails to comply with above
		GM	Gravel-silt mixtures and gravel-sand-silt mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of non-plastic fines, zero to medium dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are silty	Fines behave as silt
		GC	Gravel-clay mixtures and gravel-sand-clay mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of plastic fines, medium to high dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are clayey	Fines behave as clay
	SAND (more than half of coarse fraction is smaller than 2.36mm)	SW	Sand and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	Wide range in grain size and substantial amounts of all intermediate sizes, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines	$C_u > 6$ $1 < C_c < 3$
		SP	Sand and gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines	Predominantly one size or range of sizes with some intermediate sizes missing, not enough fines to bind coarse grains, no dry strength	≤ 5% fines	Fails to comply with above
		SM	Sand-silt mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of non-plastic fines, zero to medium dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are silty	N/A
		SC	Sand-clay mixtures	'Dirty' materials with excess of plastic fines, medium to high dry strength	≥ 12% fines, fines are clayey	

Laboratory Classification Criteria

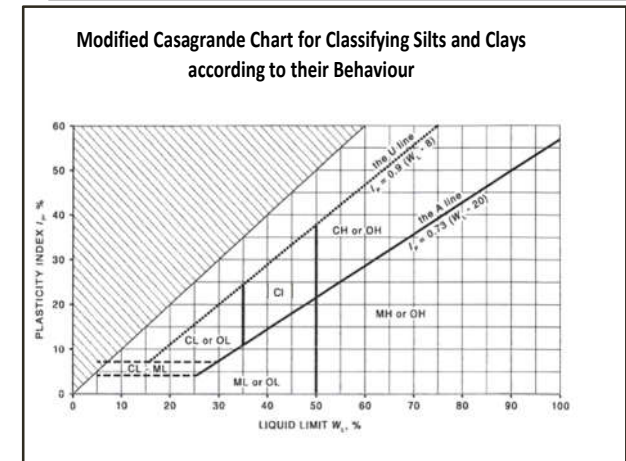
A well graded coarse grained soil is one for which the coefficient of uniformity $C_u > 4$ and the coefficient of curvature $1 < C_c < 3$. Otherwise, the soil is poorly graded. These coefficients are given by:

$$C_u = \frac{D_{60}}{D_{10}} \quad \text{and} \quad C_c = \frac{(D_{30})^2}{D_{10} D_{60}}$$

Where D_{10} , D_{30} and D_{60} are those grain sizes for which 10%, 30% and 60% of the soil grains, respectively, are smaller.

- NOTES:**
- For a coarse grained soil with a fines content between 5% and 12%, the soil is given a dual classification comprising the two group symbols separated by a dash; for example, for a poorly graded gravel with between 5% and 12% silt fines, the classification is GP-GM.
 - Where the grading is determined from laboratory tests, it is defined by coefficients of curvature (C_c) and uniformity (C_u) derived from the particle size distribution curve.
 - Clay soils with liquid limits $> 35\%$ and $\leq 50\%$ may be classified as being of medium plasticity.
 - The U line on the Modified Casagrande Chart is an approximate upper bound for most natural soils.

Major Divisions		Group Symbol	Typical Names	Field Classification of Silt and Clay			Laboratory Classification
				Dry Strength	Dilatancy	Toughness	
fine grained soils (more than 35% of soil excluding oversize fraction is less than 0.075mm)	SILT and CLAY (low to medium plasticity)	ML	Inorganic silt and very fine sand, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sand or silt with low plasticity	None to low	Slow to rapid	Low	Below A line
		CL, CI	Inorganic clay of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clay, sandy clay	Medium to high	None to slow	Medium	Above A line
		OL	Organic silt	Low to medium	Slow	Low	Below A line
	SILT and CLAY (high plasticity)	MH	Inorganic silt	Low to medium	None to slow	Low to medium	Below A line
		CH	Inorganic clay of high plasticity	High to very high	None	High	Above A line
		OH	Organic clay of medium to high plasticity, organic silt	Medium to high	None to very slow	Low to medium	Below A line
	Highly organic soil	Pt	Peat, highly organic soil	–	–	–	–



LOG SYMBOLS

Log Column	Symbol	Definition	
Groundwater Record	▼	Standing water level. Time delay following completion of drilling/excavation may be shown.	
	⊖	Extent of borehole/test pit collapse shortly after drilling/excavation.	
	▶	Groundwater seepage into borehole or test pit noted during drilling or excavation.	
Samples	ES	Sample taken over depth indicated, for environmental analysis.	
	U50	Undisturbed 50mm diameter tube sample taken over depth indicated.	
	DB	Bulk disturbed sample taken over depth indicated.	
	DS	Small disturbed bag sample taken over depth indicated.	
	ASB	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for asbestos analysis.	
	ASS	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for acid sulfate soil analysis.	
	SAL	Soil sample taken over depth indicated, for salinity analysis.	
Field Tests	N = 17 4, 7, 10	Standard Penetration Test (SPT) performed between depths indicated by lines. Individual figures show blows per 150mm penetration. 'Refusal' refers to apparent hammer refusal within the corresponding 150mm depth increment.	
	N _c =	5	Solid Cone Penetration Test (SCPT) performed between depths indicated by lines. Individual figures show blows per 150mm penetration for 60° solid cone driven by SPT hammer. 'R' refers to apparent hammer refusal within the corresponding 150mm depth increment.
		7	
		3R	
VNS = 25 PID = 100	Vane shear reading in kPa of undrained shear strength. Photoionisation detector reading in ppm (soil sample headspace test).		
Moisture Condition (Fine Grained Soils)	w > PL	Moisture content estimated to be greater than plastic limit.	
	w ≈ PL	Moisture content estimated to be approximately equal to plastic limit.	
(Coarse Grained Soils)	w < PL	Moisture content estimated to be less than plastic limit.	
	w ≈ LL	Moisture content estimated to be near liquid limit.	
	w > LL	Moisture content estimated to be wet of liquid limit.	
	D	DRY – runs freely through fingers.	
	M	MOIST – does not run freely but no free water visible on soil surface.	
	W	WET – free water visible on soil surface.	
Strength (Consistency) Cohesive Soils	VS	VERY SOFT – unconfined compressive strength ≤ 25kPa.	
	S	SOFT – unconfined compressive strength > 25kPa and ≤ 50kPa.	
	F	FIRM – unconfined compressive strength > 50kPa and ≤ 100kPa.	
	St	STIFF – unconfined compressive strength > 100kPa and ≤ 200kPa.	
	VSt	VERY STIFF – unconfined compressive strength > 200kPa and ≤ 400kPa.	
	Hd	HARD – unconfined compressive strength > 400kPa.	
	Fr	FRIABLE – strength not attainable, soil crumbles.	
	()	Bracketed symbol indicates estimated consistency based on tactile examination or other assessment.	
Density Index/ Relative Density (Cohesionless Soils)		Density Index (I_D) Range (%)	
	VL	VERY LOOSE	SPT 'N' Value Range (Blows/300mm)
	L	LOOSE	0 – 4
	MD	MEDIUM DENSE	4 – 10
	D	DENSE	10 – 30
	VD	VERY DENSE	30 – 50
	()	Bracketed symbol indicates estimated density based on ease of drilling or other assessment.	> 50
Hand Penetrometer Readings	300	Measures reading in kPa of unconfined compressive strength. Numbers indicate individual test results on representative undisturbed material unless noted otherwise.	
	250		

Log Column	Symbol	Definition	
Remarks	'V' bit	Hardened steel 'V' shaped bit.	
	'TC' bit	Twin pronged tungsten carbide bit.	
	T ₆₀	Penetration of auger string in mm under static load of rig applied by drill head hydraulics without rotation of augers.	
	Soil Origin	The geological origin of the soil can generally be described as:	
		RESIDUAL	– soil formed directly from insitu weathering of the underlying rock. No visible structure or fabric of the parent rock.
		EXTREMELY WEATHERED	– soil formed directly from insitu weathering of the underlying rock. Material is of soil strength but retains the structure and/or fabric of the parent rock.
		ALLUVIAL	– soil deposited by creeks and rivers.
		ESTUARINE	– soil deposited in coastal estuaries, including sediments caused by inflowing creeks and rivers, and tidal currents.
MARINE		– soil deposited in a marine environment.	
AEOLIAN		– soil carried and deposited by wind.	
COLLUVIAL	– soil and rock debris transported downslope by gravity, with or without the assistance of flowing water. Colluvium is usually a thick deposit formed from a landslide. The description 'slopewash' is used for thinner surficial deposits.		
	LITTORAL	– beach deposited soil.	

Classification of Material Weathering

Term	Abbreviation	Definition
Residual Soil	RS	Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are no longer visible, but the soil has not been significantly transported.
Extremely Weathered	XW	Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are still visible.
Highly Weathered	HW	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. Rock strength is significantly changed by weathering. Some primary minerals have weathered to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leaching, or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores.
Moderately Weathered	MW	
Distinctly Weathered (Note 1)		
Slightly Weathered	SW	Rock is partially discoloured with staining or bleaching along joints but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.
Fresh	FR	Rock shows no sign of decomposition of individual minerals or colour changes.

NOTE 1: The term 'Distinctly Weathered' is used where it is not practicable to distinguish between 'Highly Weathered' and 'Moderately Weathered' rock. 'Distinctly Weathered' is defined as follows: 'Rock strength usually changed by weathering. The rock may be highly discoloured, usually by iron staining. Porosity may be increased by leaching, or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores'. There is some change in rock strength.

Rock Material Strength Classification

Term	Abbreviation	Uniaxial Compressive Strength (MPa)	Guide to Strength	
			Point Load Strength Index $Is_{(50)}$ (MPa)	Field Assessment
Very Low Strength	VL	0.6 to 2	0.03 to 0.1	Material crumbles under firm blows with sharp end of pick; can be peeled with knife; too hard to cut a triaxial sample by hand. Pieces up to 30mm thick can be broken by finger pressure.
Low Strength	L	2 to 6	0.1 to 0.3	Easily scored with a knife; indentations 1mm to 3mm show in the specimen with firm blows of the pick point; has dull sound under hammer. A piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter may be broken by hand. Sharp edges of core may be friable and break during handling.
Medium Strength	M	6 to 20	0.3 to 1	Scored with a knife; a piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter can be broken by hand with difficulty.
High Strength	H	20 to 60	1 to 3	A piece of core 150mm long by 50mm diameter cannot be broken by hand but can be broken by a pick with a single firm blow; rock rings under hammer.
Very High Strength	VH	60 to 200	3 to 10	Hand specimen breaks with pick after more than one blow; rock rings under hammer.
Extremely High Strength	EH	> 200	> 10	Specimen requires many blows with geological pick to break through intact material; rock rings under hammer.

Abbreviations Used in Defect Description

Cored Borehole Log Column	Symbol Abbreviation	Description	
Point Load Strength Index	• 0.6	Axial point load strength index test result (MPa)	
	x 0.6	Diametral point load strength index test result (MPa)	
Defect Details	– Type	Be	Parting – bedding or cleavage
		CS	Clay seam
		Cr	Crushed/sheared seam or zone
		J	Joint
		Jh	Healed joint
		Ji	Incipient joint
		XWS	Extremely weathered seam
	– Orientation	Degrees	Defect orientation is measured relative to normal to the core axis (ie. relative to the horizontal for a vertical borehole)
	– Shape	P	Planar
		C	Curved
		Un	Undulating
		St	Stepped
		Ir	Irregular
	– Roughness	Vr	Very rough
		R	Rough
		S	Smooth
		Po	Polished
		Sl	Slickensided
	– Infill Material	Ca	Calcite
		Cb	Carbonaceous
		Clay	Clay
		Fe	Iron
		Qz	Quartz
		Py	Pyrite
	– Coatings	Cn	Clean
		Sn	Stained – no visible coating, surface is discoloured
		Vn	Veneer – visible, too thin to measure, may be patchy
		Ct	Coating ≤ 1mm thick
		Filled	Coating > 1mm thick
	– Thickness	mm.t	Defect thickness measured in millimetres



APPENDIX A

LANDSLIDE RISK
MANAGEMENT
TERMINOLOGY



LANDSLIDE RISK MANAGEMENT

Definition of Terms and Landslide Risk

Risk Terminology	Description
Acceptable Risk	A risk for which, for the purposes of life or work, we are prepared to accept as it is with no regard to its management. Society does not generally consider expenditure in further reducing such risks justifiable.
Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP)	The estimated probability that an event of specified magnitude will be exceeded in any year.
Consequence	The outcomes or potential outcomes arising from the occurrence of a landslide expressed qualitatively or quantitatively, in terms of loss, disadvantage or gain, damage, injury or loss of life.
Elements at Risk	The population, buildings and engineering works, economic activities, public services utilities, infrastructure and environmental features in the area potentially affected by landslides.
Frequency	A measure of likelihood expressed as the number of occurrences of an event in a given time. See also 'Likelihood' and 'Probability'.
Hazard	A condition with the potential for causing an undesirable consequence (the landslide). The description of landslide hazard should include the location, volume (or area), classification and velocity of the potential landslides and any resultant detached material, and the likelihood of their occurrence within a given period of time.
Individual Risk to Life	The risk of fatality or injury to any identifiable (named) individual who lives within the zone impacted by the landslide; or who follows a particular pattern of life that might subject him or her to the consequences of the landslide.
Landslide Activity	The stage of development of a landslide; pre failure when the slope is strained throughout but is essentially intact; failure characterised by the formation of a continuous surface of rupture; post failure which includes movement from just after failure to when it essentially stops; and reactivation when the slope slides along one or several pre-existing surfaces of rupture. Reactivation may be occasional (eg. seasonal) or continuous (in which case the slide is 'active').
Landslide Intensity	A set of spatially distributed parameters related to the destructive power of a landslide. The parameters may be described quantitatively or qualitatively and may include maximum movement velocity, total displacement, differential displacement, depth of the moving mass, peak discharge per unit width, or kinetic energy per unit area.
Landslide Risk	The AGS Australian GeoGuide LR7 (AGS, 2007e) should be referred to for an explanation of Landslide Risk.
Landslide Susceptibility	The classification, and volume (or area) of landslides which exist or potentially may occur in an area or may travel or retrogress onto it. Susceptibility may also include a description of the velocity and intensity of the existing or potential landsliding.
Likelihood	Used as a qualitative description of probability or frequency.
Probability	<p>A measure of the degree of certainty. This measure has a value between zero (impossibility) and 1.0 (certainty). It is an estimate of the likelihood of the magnitude of the uncertain quantity, or the likelihood of the occurrence of the uncertain future event.</p> <p>These are two main interpretations:</p> <p>(i) Statistical – frequency or fraction – The outcome of a repetitive experiment of some kind like flipping coins. It includes also the idea of population variability. Such a number is called an 'objective' or relative frequentist probability because it exists in the real world and is in principle measurable by doing the experiment.</p>

Risk Terminology	Description
Probability (continued)	(ii) Subjective probability (degree of belief) – Quantified measure of belief, judgment, or confidence in the likelihood of an outcome, obtained by considering all available information honestly, fairly, and with a minimum of bias. Subjective probability is affected by the state of understanding of a process, judgment regarding an evaluation, or the quality and quantity of information. It may change over time as the state of knowledge changes.
Qualitative Risk Analysis	An analysis which uses word form, descriptive or numeric rating scales to describe the magnitude of potential consequences and the likelihood that those consequences will occur.
Quantitative Risk Analysis	An analysis based on numerical values of the probability, vulnerability and consequences and resulting in a numerical value of the risk.
Risk	A measure of the probability and severity of an adverse effect to health, property or the environment. Risk is often estimated by the product of probability x consequences. However, a more general interpretation of risk involves a comparison of the probability and consequences in a non-product form.
Risk Analysis	The use of available information to estimate the risk to individual, population, property, or the environment, from hazards. Risk analyses generally contain the following steps: scope definition, hazard identification and risk estimation.
Risk Assessment	The process of risk analysis and risk evaluation.
Risk Control or Risk Treatment	The process of decision-making for managing risk and the implementation or enforcement of risk mitigation measures and the re-evaluation of its effectiveness from time to time, using the results of risk assessment as one input.
Risk Estimation	The process used to produce a measure of the level of health, property or environmental risks being analysed. Risk estimation contains the following steps: frequency analysis, consequence analysis and their integration.
Risk Evaluation	The stage at which values and judgments enter the decision process, explicitly or implicitly, by including consideration of the importance of the estimated risks and the associated social, environmental and economic consequences, in order to identify a range of alternatives for managing the risks.
Risk Management	The complete process of risk assessment and risk control (or risk treatment).
Societal Risk	The risk of multiple fatalities or injuries in society as a whole: one where society would have to carry the burden of a landslide causing a number of deaths, injuries, financial, environmental and other losses.
Susceptibility	See 'Landslide Susceptibility'.
Temporal Spatial Probability	The probability that the element at risk is in the area affected by the landsliding, at the time of the landslide.
Tolerable Risk	A risk within a range that society can live with so as to secure certain net benefits. It is a range of risk regarded as non-negligible and needing to be kept under review and reduced further if possible.
Vulnerability	The degree of loss to a given element or set of elements within the area affected by the landslide hazard. It is expressed on a scale of 0 (no loss) to 1 (total loss). For property, the loss will be the value of the damage relative to the value of the property; for persons, it will be the probability that a particular life (the element at risk) will be lost, given the person(s) is affected by the landslide.

NOTE: Reference should be made to Figure A1 which shows the inter-relationship of many of these terms and the relevant portion of Landslide Risk Management.

Reference should also be made to the paper referenced below for Landslide Terminology and more detailed discussion of the above terminology.

This appendix is an extract from PRACTICE NOTE GUIDELINES FOR LANDSLIDE RISK MANAGEMENT as presented in Australian Geomechanics, Vol 42, No 1, March 2007, which discusses the matter more fully.

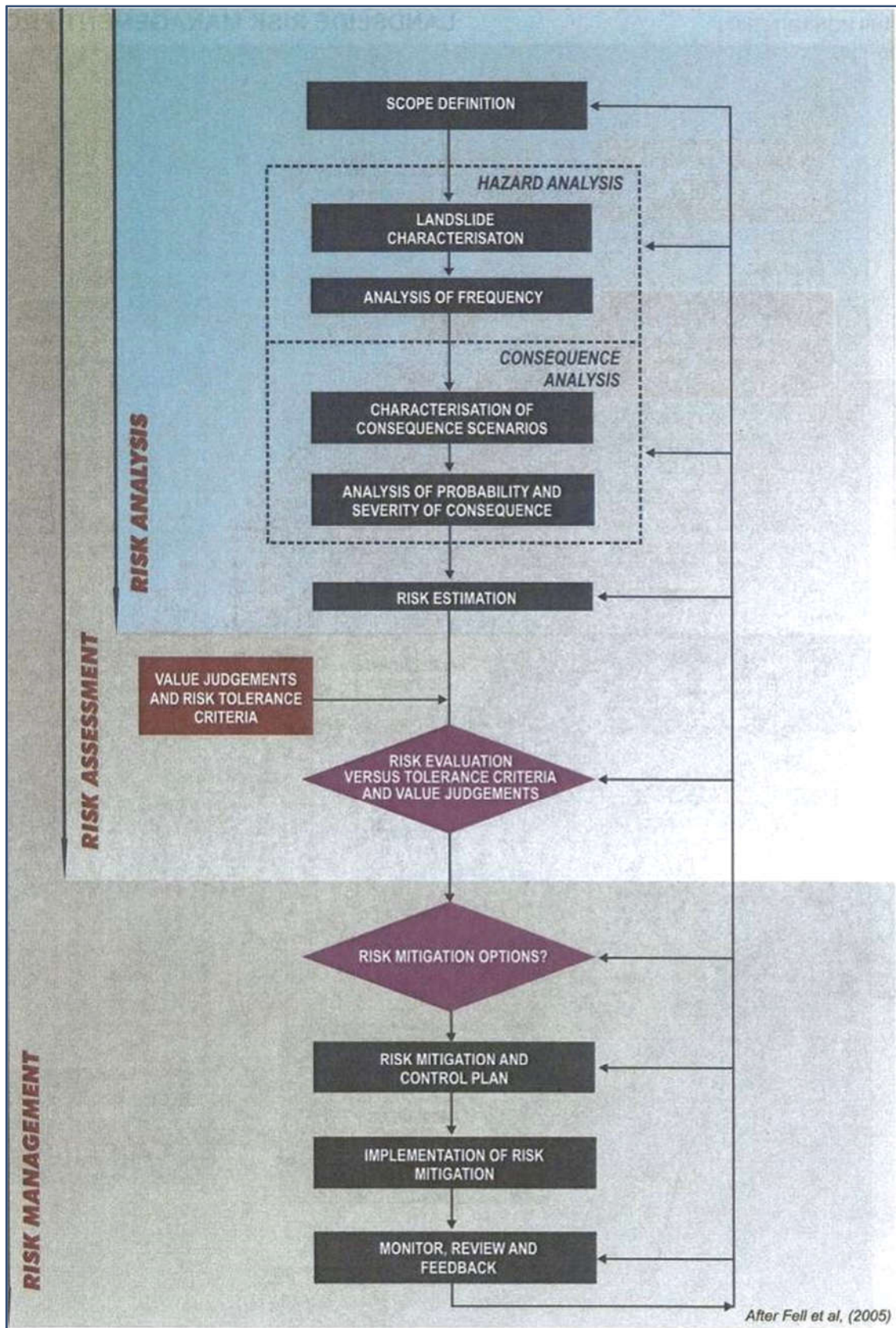


FIGURE A1: Flowchart for Landslide Risk Management.

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**TABLE A1: LANDSLIDE RISK ASSESSMENT
QUALITATIVE TERMINOLOGY FOR USE IN ASSESSING RISK TO PROPERTY**

QUALITATIVE MEASURES OF LIKELIHOOD

Approximate Annual Probability		Implied Indicative Landslide Recurrence Interval		Description	Descriptor	Level
Indicative Value	Notional Boundary					
10 ⁻¹	5×10 ⁻²	10 years	20 years	The event is expected to occur over the design life.	ALMOST CERTAIN	A
10 ⁻²		100 years		The event will probably occur under adverse conditions over the design life.	LIKELY	B
10 ⁻³	5×10 ⁻³	1000 years	200 years	The event could occur under adverse conditions over the design life.	POSSIBLE	C
10 ⁻⁴	5×10 ⁻⁴	10,000 years	2000 years	The event might occur under very adverse circumstances over the design life.	UNLIKELY	D
10 ⁻⁵	5×10 ⁻⁵	100,000 years	20,000 years	The event is conceivable but only under exceptional circumstances over the design life.	RARE	E
10 ⁻⁶	5×10 ⁻²	1,000,000 years	200,000 years	The event is inconceivable or fanciful over the design life.	BARELY CREDIBLE	F

Note: (1) The table should be used from left to right; use Approximate Annual Probability or Description to assign Descriptor, not *vice versa*.

QUALITATIVE MEASURES OF CONSEQUENCES TO PROPERTY

Approximate cost of Damage		Description	Descriptor	Level
Indicative Value	Notional Boundary			
200%	100%	Structure(s) completely destroyed and/or large scale damage requiring major engineering works for stabilisation. Could cause at least one adjacent property major consequence damage.	CATASTROPHIC	1
60%		Extensive damage to most of structure, and/or extending beyond site boundaries requiring significant stabilisation works. Could cause at least one adjacent property medium consequence damage.	MAJOR	2
20%	40%	Moderate damage to some of structure, and/or significant part of site requiring large stabilisation works. Could cause at least one adjacent property minor consequence damage.	MEDIUM	3
5%	10%	Limited damage to part of structure, and/or part of site requiring some reinstatement stabilisation works.	MINOR	4
0.5%	1%	Little damage. (Note for high probability event (Almost Certain), this category may be subdivided at a notional boundary of 0.1%. See Risk Matrix.)	INSIGNIFICANT	5

Notes: (2) The Approximate Cost of Damage is expressed as a percentage of market value, being the cost of the improved value of the unaffected property which includes the land plus the unaffected structures.

(3) The Approximate Cost is to be an estimate of the direct cost of the damage, such as the cost of reinstatement of the damaged portion of the property (land plus structures), stabilisation works required to render the site to tolerable risk level for the landslide which has occurred and professional design fees, and consequential costs such as legal fees, temporary accommodation. It does not include additional stabilisation works to address other landslides which may affect the property.

(4) The table should be used from left to right; use Approximate Cost of Damage or Description to assign Descriptor, not *vice versa*.

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TABLE A1: LANDSLIDE RISK ASSESSMENT
QUALITATIVE TERMINOLOGY FOR USE IN ASSESSING RISK TO PROPERTY (continued)

QUALITATIVE RISK ANALYSIS MATRIX – LEVEL OF RISK TO PROPERTY

LIKELIHOOD		CONSEQUENCES TO PROPERTY (With Indicative Approximate Cost of Damage)				
	Indicative Value of Approximate Annual Probability	1: CATASTROPHIC 200%	2: MAJOR 60%	3: MEDIUM 20%	4: MINOR 5%	5: INSIGNIFICANT 0.5%
A – ALMOST CERTAIN	10 ⁻¹	VH	VH	VH	H	M or L (5)
B – LIKELY	10 ⁻²	VH	VH	H	M	L
C – POSSIBLE	10 ⁻³	VH	H	M	M	VL
D – UNLIKELY	10 ⁻⁴	H	M	L	L	VL
E – RARE	10 ⁻⁵	M	L	L	VL	VL
F – BARELY CREDIBLE	10 ⁻⁶	L	VL	VL	VL	VL

- Notes:** (5) Cell A5 may be subdivided such that a consequence of less than 0.1% is Low Risk.
 (6) When considering a risk assessment it must be clearly stated whether it is for existing conditions or with risk control measures which may not be implemented at the current time.

RISK LEVEL IMPLICATIONS

Risk Level		Example Implications (7)
VH	VERY HIGH RISK	Unacceptable without treatment. Extensive detailed investigation and research, planning and implementation of treatment options essential to reduce risk to Low; may be too expensive and not practical. Work likely to cost more than value of the property.
H	HIGH RISK	Unacceptable without treatment. Detailed investigation, planning and implementation of treatment options required to reduce risk to Low. Work would cost a substantial sum in relation to the value of the property.
M	MODERATE RISK	May be tolerated in certain circumstances (subject to regulator's approval) but requires investigation, planning and implementation of treatment options to reduce the risk to Low. Treatment options to reduce to Low risk should be implemented as soon as practicable.
L	LOW RISK	Usually acceptable to regulators. Where treatment has been required to reduce the risk to this level, ongoing maintenance is required.
VL	VERY LOW RISK	Acceptable. Manage by normal slope maintenance procedures.

Note: (7) The implications for a particular situation are to be determined by all parties to the risk assessment and may depend on the nature of the property at risk; these are only given as a general guide.

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AUSTRALIAN GEOGUIDE LR2 (LANDSLIDES)

What is a Landslide?

Any movement of a mass of rock, debris, or earth, down a slope, constitutes a “landslide”. Landslides take many forms, some of which are illustrated. More information can be obtained from Geoscience Australia, or by visiting its Australian landslide Database at www.ga.gov.au/urban/factsheets/landslide.jsp. Aspects of the impact of landslides on buildings are dealt with in the book “Guideline Document Landslide Hazards” published by the Australian Building Codes Board and referenced in the Building Code of Australia. This document can be purchased over the internet at the Australian Building Codes Board’s website www.abcb.gov.au.

Landslides vary in size. They can be small and localised or very large, sometimes extending for kilometres and involving millions of tonnes of soil or rock. It is important to realise that even a 1 cubic metre boulder of soil, or rock, weighs at least 2 tonnes. If it falls, or slides, it is large enough to kill a person, crush a car, or cause serious structural damage to a house. The material in a landslide may travel downhill well beyond the point where the failure first occurred, leaving destruction in its wake. It may also leave an unstable slope in the ground behind it, which has the potential to fall again, causing the landslide to extend (regress) uphill, or expand sideways. For all these reasons, both “potential” and “actual” landslides must be taken very seriously. They present a real threat to life and property and require proper management.

Identification of landslide risk is a complex task and must be undertaken by a geotechnical practitioner (GeoGuide LR1) with specialist experience in slope stability assessment and slope stabilisation.

What Causes a Landslide?

Landslides occur as a result of local geological and groundwater conditions, but can be exacerbated by inappropriate development (GeoGuide LR8), exceptional weather, earthquakes and other factors. Some slopes and cliffs never seem to change, but are actually on the verge of failing. Others, often moderate slopes (Table 1), move continuously, but so slowly that it is not apparent to a casual observer. In both cases, small changes in conditions can trigger a landslide with serious consequences. Wetting up of the ground (which may involve a rise in groundwater table) is the single most important cause of landslides (GeoGuide LR5). This is why they often occur during, or soon after, heavy rain. Inappropriate development often results in small scale landslides which are very expensive in human terms because of the proximity of housing and people.

Does a Landslide Affect You?

Any slope, cliff, cutting, or fill embankment may be a hazard which has the potential to impact on people, property, roads and services. Some tell-tale signs that might indicate that a landslide is occurring are listed below:

- Open cracks, or steps, along contours
- Groundwater seepage, or springs
- Bulging in the lower part of the slope
- Hummocky ground
- trees leaning down slope, or with exposed roots
- debris/fallen rocks at the foot of a cliff
- tilted power poles, or fences
- cracked or distorted structures

These indications of instability may be seen on almost any slope and are not necessarily confined to the steeper ones (Table 1). Advice should be sought from a geotechnical practitioner if any of them are observed. Landslides do not respect property boundaries. As mentioned above they can “run-out” from above, “regress” from below, or expand sideways, so a landslide hazard affecting your property may actually exist on someone else’s land.

Local councils are usually aware of slope instability problems within their jurisdiction and often have specific development and maintenance requirements. **Your local council is the first place to make enquiries if you are responsible for any sort of development or own or occupy property on or near sloping land or a cliff.**

TABLE 1 – Slope Descriptions

Appearance	Slope Angle	Maximum Gradient	Slope Characteristics
Gentle	0° - 10°	1 on 6	Easy walking.
Moderate	10° - 18°	1 on 3	Walkable. Can drive and manoeuvre a car on driveway.
Steep	18° - 27°	1 on 2	Walkable with effort. Possible to drive straight up or down roughened concrete driveway, but cannot practically manoeuvre a car.
Very Steep	27° - 45°	1 on 1	Can only climb slope by clutching at vegetation, rocks, etc.
Extreme	45° - 64°	1 on 0.5	Need rope access to climb slope.
Cliff	64° - 84°	1 on 0.1	Appears vertical. Can abseil down.
Vertical or Overhang	84° - 90±°	Infinite	Appears to overhang. Abseiler likely to lose contact with the face.

Some typical landslides which could affect residential housing are illustrated below:

Rotational or circular slip failures (Figure 1) - can occur on moderate to very steep soil and weathered rock slopes (Table 1). The sliding surface of the moving mass tends to be deep seated. Tension cracks may open at the top of the slope and bulging may occur at the toe. The ground may move in discrete "steps" separated by long periods without movement. More rapid movement may occur after heavy rain.

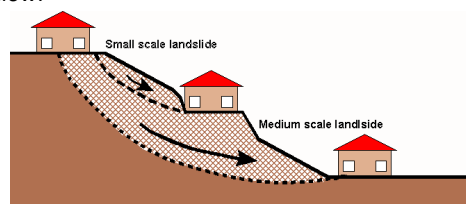


Figure 1

Translational slip failures (Figure 2) - tend to occur on moderate to very steep slopes (Table 1) where soil, or weak rock, overlies stronger strata. The sliding mass is often relatively shallow. It can move, or deform slowly (creep) over long periods of time. Extensive linear cracks and hummocks sometimes form along the contours. The sliding mass may accelerate after heavy rain.

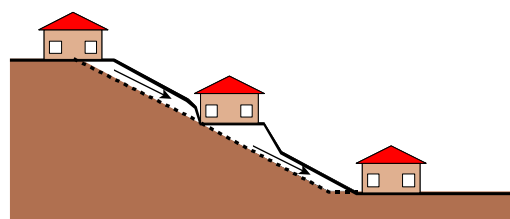


Figure 2

Wedge failures (Figure 3) - normally only occur on extreme slopes, or cliffs (Table 1), where discontinuities in the rock are inclined steeply downwards out of the face.

Rock falls (Figure 3) - tend to occur from cliffs and overhangs (Table 1).

Cliffs may remain, apparently unchanged, for hundreds of years. Collections of boulders at the foot of a cliff may indicate that rock falls are ongoing. Wedge failures and rock falls do not "creep". Familiarity with a particular local situation can instil a false sense of security since failure, when it occurs, is usually sudden and catastrophic.

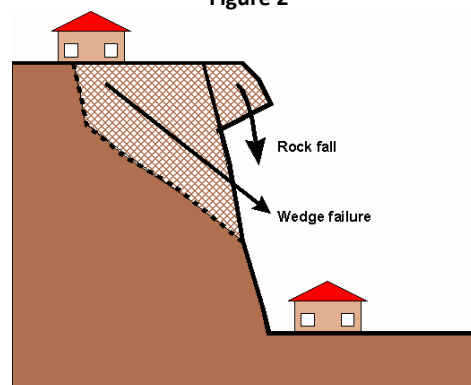


Figure 3

Debris flows and mud slides (Figure 4) - may occur in the foothills of ranges, where erosion has formed valleys which slope down to the plains below. The valley bottoms are often lined with loose eroded material (debris) which can "flow" if it becomes saturated during and after heavy rain. Debris flows are likely to occur with little warning; they travel a long way and often involve large volumes of soil. The consequences can be devastating.

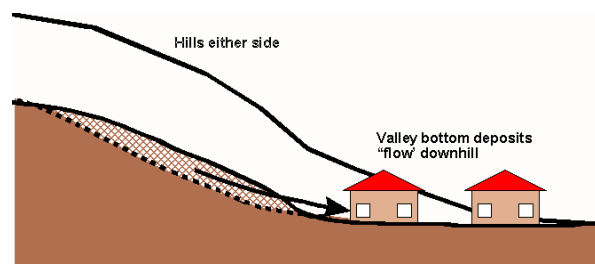


Figure 4

More information relevant to your particular situation may be found in other Australian GeoGuides:

- GeoGuide LR1 - Introduction
- GeoGuide LR3 - Soil Slopes
- GeoGuide LR4 - Rock Slopes
- GeoGuide LR5 - Water & Drainage
- GeoGuide LR6 - Retaining Walls
- GeoGuide LR7 - Landslide Risk
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AUSTRALIAN GEOGUIDE LR7 (LANDSLIDE RISK)

Concept of Risk

Risk is a familiar term, but what does it really mean? It can be defined as *"a measure of the probability and severity of an adverse effect to health, property, or the environment."* This definition may seem a bit complicated. In relation to landslides, geotechnical practitioners (see GeoGuide LR1) are required to assess risk in terms of the likelihood that a particular landslide will occur and the possible consequences. This is called landslide risk assessment. The consequences of a landslide are many and varied, but our concerns normally focus on loss of, or damage to, property and loss of life.

Landslide Risk Assessment

Some local councils in Australia are aware of the potential for landslides within their jurisdiction and have responded by designating specific *"landslide hazard zones"*. Development in these areas is normally covered by special regulations. If you are contemplating building, or buying an existing house, particularly in a hilly area, or near cliffs, then go first for information to your local council.

Landslide risk assessment must be undertaken by a geotechnical practitioner. It may involve visual inspection, geological mapping, geotechnical investigation and monitoring to identify:

- potential landslides (there may be more than one that could impact on your site);
- the likelihood that they will occur;
- the damage that could result;
- the cost of disruption and repairs; and
- the extent to which lives could be lost.

Risk assessment is a predictive exercise, but since the ground and the processes involved are complex, prediction tends to lack precision. If you commission a landslide risk assessment

for a particular site you should expect to receive a report prepared in accordance with current professional guidelines and in a form that is acceptable to your local council, or planning authority.

Risk to Property

Table 1 indicates the terms used to describe risk to property. Each risk level depends on an assessment of how likely a landslide is to occur and its consequences in dollar terms. "Likelihood" is the chance of it happening in any one year, as indicated in Table 2. "Consequences" are related to the cost of the repairs and temporary loss of use if the landslide occurs. These two factors are combined by the geotechnical practitioner to determine the Qualitative Risk.

TABLE 2 – LIKELIHOOD

Likelihood	Annual Probability
Almost Certain	1:10
Likely	1:100
Possible	1:1,000
Unlikely	1:10,000
Rare	1:100,000
Barely credible	1:1,000,000

The terms "unacceptable", "may be tolerable" etc. in Table 1 indicate how most people react to an assessed risk level. However, some people will always be more prepared, or better able, to tolerate a higher risk level than others.

Some local councils and planning authorities stipulate a maximum tolerable risk level of risk to property for developments within their jurisdictions. In these situations the risk must be assessed by a geotechnical practitioner. If stabilisation works are needed to meet the stipulated requirements these will normally have to be carried out as part of the development, or consent will be withheld.

TABLE 1 – RISK TO PROPERTY

Qualitative Risk		Significance - Geotechnical engineering requirements
Very high	VH	Unacceptable without treatment. Extensive detailed investigation and research, planning and implementation of treatment options essential to reduce risk to Low. May be too expensive and not practical. Work likely to cost more than the value of the property.
High	H	Unacceptable without treatment. Detailed investigation, planning and implementation of treatment options required to reduce risk to acceptable level. Work would cost a substantial sum in relation to the value of the property.
Moderate	M	May be tolerated in certain circumstances (subject to regulator's approval) but requires investigation, planning and implementation of treatment options to reduce the risk to Low. Treatment options to reduce to Low risk should be implemented as soon as possible.
Low	L	Usually acceptable to regulators. Where treatment has been needed to reduce the risk to this level, ongoing maintenance is required.
Very Low	VL	Acceptable. Manage by normal slope maintenance procedures.

Risk to Life

Most of us have some difficulty grappling with the concept of risk and deciding whether, or not, we are prepared to accept it. However, without doing any sort of analysis, or commissioning a report from an "expert", we all take risks every day. One of them is the risk of being killed in an accident. This is worth thinking about, because it tells us a lot about ourselves and can help to put an assessed risk into a meaningful context. By identifying activities that we either are, or are not, prepared to engage in, we can get some indication of the maximum level of risk that we are prepared to take. This knowledge can help us to decide whether we really are able to accept a particular risk, or to tolerate a particular likelihood of loss, or damage, to our property (Table 2).

In Table 3, data from NSW for the years 1998 to 2002, and other sources, is presented. A risk of 1 in 100,000 means that, in any one year, 1 person is killed for every 100,000 people undertaking that particular activity. The NSW data assumes that the whole population undertakes the activity. That is, we are all at risk of being killed in a fire, or of choking on our food, but it is reasonable to assume that only people who go deep sea fishing run a risk of being killed while doing it.

It can be seen that the risks of dying as a result of falling, using a motor vehicle, or engaging in water-related activities (including bathing) are all greater than 1:100,000 and yet few people actively avoid situations where these risks are present. Some people are averse to flying and yet it represents a lower risk than choking to death on food. The data also indicate that, even when the risk of dying as a consequence of a particular event is very small, it could still happen to any one of us today. If this were not so, there would be no risk at all and clearly that is not the case.

In NSW, the planning authorities consider that 1:1,000,000 is the maximum tolerable risk for domestic housing built near an obvious hazard, such as a chemical factory. Although not specifically considered in the NSW guidelines there is little difference between the hazard presented by a neighbouring factory and a landslide: both have the capacity to destroy life and property and both are always present.

TABLE 3 – RISK TO LIFE

Risk (deaths per participant per year)	Activity/Event Leading to Death (NSW data unless noted)
1:1,000	Deep sea fishing (UK)
1:1,000 to 1:10,000	Motor cycling, horse riding, ultra-light flying (Canada)
1:23,000	Motor vehicle use
1:30,000	Fall
1:70,000	Drowning
1:180,000	Fire/burn
1:660,000	Choking on food
1:1,000,000	Scheduled airlines (Canada)
1:2,300,000	Train travel
1:32,000,000	Lightning strike

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APPENDIX B

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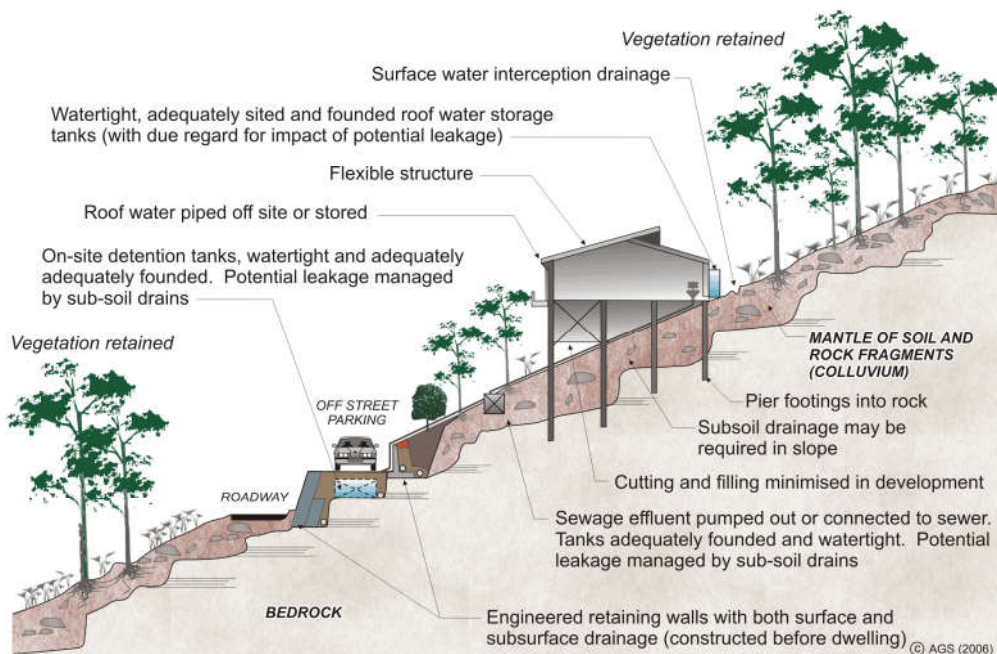
ADVICE	GOOD ENGINEERING PRACTICE	POOR ENGINEERING PRACTICE
GEOTECHNICAL ASSESSMENT	Obtain advice from a qualified, experienced geotechnical consultant at early stage of planning and before site works.	Prepare detailed plan and start site works before geotechnical advice.
PLANNING		
SITE PLANNING	Having obtained geotechnical advice, plan the development with the risk arising from the identified hazards and consequences in mind.	Plan development without regard for the Risk.
DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION		
HOUSE DESIGN	Use flexible structures which incorporate properly designed brickwork, timber or steel frames, timber or panel cladding. Consider use of split levels. Use decks for recreational areas where appropriate.	Floor plans which require extensive cutting and filling. Movement intolerant structures.
SITE CLEARING	Retain natural vegetation wherever practicable.	Indiscriminately clear the site.
ACCESS & DRIVEWAYS	Satisfy requirements below for cuts, fills, retaining walls and drainage. Council specifications for grades may need to be modified. Driveways and parking areas may need to be fully supported on piers.	Excavate and fill for site access before geotechnical advice.
EARTHWORKS	Retain natural contours wherever possible.	Indiscriminant bulk earthworks.
CUTS	Minimise depth. Support with engineered retaining walls or batter to appropriate slope. Provide drainage measures and erosion control.	Large scale cuts and benching. Unsupported cuts. Ignore drainage requirements.
FILLS	Minimise height. Strip vegetation and topsoil and key into natural slopes prior to filling. Use clean fill materials and compact to engineering standards. Batter to appropriate slope or support with engineered retaining wall. Provide surface drainage and appropriate subsurface drainage.	Loose or poorly compacted fill, which if it fails, may flow a considerable distance (including onto properties below). Block natural drainage lines. Fill over existing vegetation and topsoil. Include stumps, trees, vegetation, topsoil, boulders, building rubble etc. in fill.
ROCK OUTCROPS & BOULDERS	Remove or stabilise boulders which may have unacceptable risk. Support rock faces where necessary.	Disturb or undercut detached blocks or boulders.
RETAINING WALLS	Engineer design to resist applied soil and water forces. Found on bedrock where practicable. Provide subsurface drainage within wall backfill and surface drainage on slope above. Construct wall as soon as possible after cut/fill operation.	Construct a structurally inadequate wall such as sandstone flagging, brick or unreinforced blockwork. Lack of subsurface drains and weepholes.
FOOTINGS	Found within bedrock where practicable. Use rows of piers or strip footings oriented up and down slope. Design for lateral creep pressures if necessary. Backfill footing excavations to exclude ingress of surface water.	Found on topsoil, loose fill, detached boulders or undercut cliffs.
SWIMMING POOLS	Engineer designed. Support on piers to rock where practicable. Provide with under-drainage and gravity drain outlet where practicable. Design for high soil pressures which may develop on uphill side whilst there may be little or no lateral support on downhill side.	
DRAINAGE		
SURFACE	Provide at tops of cut and fill slopes. Discharge to street drainage or natural water courses. Provide generous falls to prevent blockage by siltation and incorporate silt traps. Line to minimise infiltration and make flexible where possible. Special structures to dissipate energy at changes of slope and/or direction.	Discharge at top of fills and cuts. Allow water to pond bench areas.
SUBSURFACE	Provide filter around subsurface drain. Provide drain behind retaining walls. Use flexible pipelines with access for maintenance. Prevent inflow of surface water.	Discharge of roof run-off into absorption trenches.
SEPTIC & SULLAGE	Usually requires pump-out or mains sewer systems; absorption trenches may be possible in some areas if risk is acceptable. Storage tanks should be water-tight and adequately founded.	Discharge sullage directly onto and into slopes. Use of absorption trenches without consideration of landslide risk.
EROSION CONTROL & LANDSCAPING	Control erosion as this may lead to instability. Revegetate cleared area.	Failure to observe earthworks and drainage recommendations when landscaping.
DRAWINGS AND SITE VISITS DURING CONSTRUCTION		
DRAWINGS	Building Application drawings should be viewed by a geotechnical consultant.	
SITE VISITS	Site visits by consultant may be appropriate during construction.	
INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE BY OWNER		
OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY	Clean drainage systems; repair broken joints in drains and leaks in supply pipes. Where structural distress is evident seek advice. If seepage observed, determine cause or seek advice on consequences.	

This table is extracted from PRACTICE NOTE GUIDELINES FOR LANDSLIDE RISK MANAGEMENT as presented in *Australian Geomechanics*, Vol 42, No 1, March 2007 which discusses the matter more fully.

AUSTRALIAN GEOGUIDE LR8 (CONSTRUCTION PRACTICE)

Sensible development practices are required when building on hillsides, particularly if the hillside has more than a low risk of instability (GeoGuide LR7). Only building techniques intended to maintain, or reduce, the overall level of landslide risk should be considered. Examples of good hillside construction practice are illustrated below.

EXAMPLES FOR **GOOD** HILLSIDE CONSTRUCTION PRACTICE



WHY ARE THESE PRACTICES GOOD?

Roadways and parking areas - are paved and incorporate kerbs which prevent water discharging straight into the hillside (GeoGuide LR5).

Cuttings - are supported by retaining walls (GeoGuide LR6).

Retaining walls - are engineer designed to withstand the lateral earth pressures and surcharges expected, and include drains to prevent water pressures developing in the backfill. Where the ground slopes steeply down towards the high side of a retaining wall, the disturbing force (see GeoGuide LR6) can be two or more times that due to level ground. Retaining walls must be designed taking these forces into account.

Sewage - whether treated or not is either taken away in pipes or contained in properly founded tanks so it cannot soak into the ground.

Surface water - from roofs and other hard surfaces is piped away to a suitable discharge point rather than being allowed to infiltrate into the ground. Preferably, the discharge point will be in a natural creek where ground water exits, rather than enters, the ground. Shallow, lined, drains on the surface can fulfill the same purpose (GeoGuide LR5).

Surface loads - are minimised. No fill embankments have been built. The house is a lightweight structure. Foundation loads have been taken down below the level at which a landslide is likely to occur and, preferably, to rock. This sort of construction is probably not applicable to soil slopes (GeoGuide LR3). If you are uncertain whether your site has rock near the surface, or is essentially a soil slope, you should engage a geotechnical practitioner to find out.

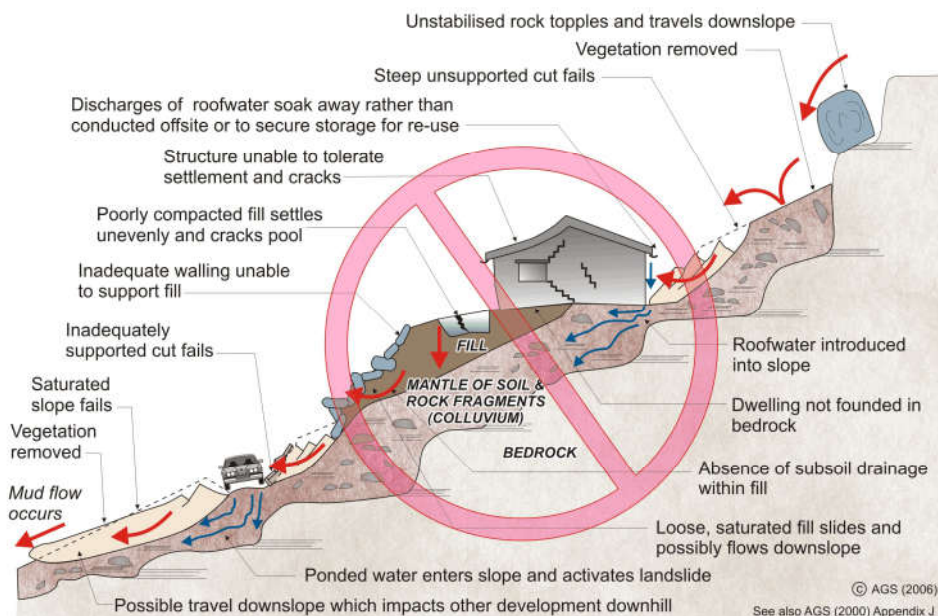
Flexible structures - have been used because they can tolerate a certain amount of movement with minimal signs of distress and maintain their functionality.

Vegetation clearance - on soil slopes has been kept to a reasonable minimum. Trees, and to a lesser extent smaller vegetation, take large quantities of water out of the ground every day. This lowers the ground water table, which in turn helps to maintain the stability of the slope. Large scale clearing can result in a rise in water table with a consequent increase in the likelihood of a landslide (GeoGuide LR5). An exception may have to be made to this rule on steep rock slopes where trees have little effect on the water table, but their roots pose a landslide hazard by dislodging boulders.

Possible effects of ignoring good construction practices are illustrated on page 2. Unfortunately, these poor construction practices are not as unusual as you might think and are often chosen because, on the face of it, they will save the developer, or owner, money. You should not lose sight of the fact that the cost and anguish associated with any one of the disasters illustrated, is likely to more than wipe out any apparent savings at the outset.

ADOPT GOOD PRACTICE ON HILLSIDE SITES

EXAMPLES FOR **POOR** HILLSIDE CONSTRUCTION PRACTICE



WHY ARE THESE PRACTICES POOR?

Roadways and parking areas - are unsurfaced and lack proper table drains (gutters) causing surface water to pond and soaks into the ground.

Cut and fill - has been used to balance earthworks quantities and level the site leaving unstable cut faces and added large surface loads to the ground. Failure to compact the fill properly has led to settlement, which will probably continue for several years after completion. The house and pool have been built on the fill and have settled with it and cracked. Leakage from the cracked pool and the applied surface loads from the fill have combined to cause landslides.

Retaining walls - have been avoided, to minimise cost, and hand placed rock walls used instead. Without applying engineering design principles, the walls have failed to provide the required support to the ground and have failed, creating a very dangerous situation.

A heavy, rigid, house - has been built on shallow, conventional, footings. Not only has the brickwork cracked because of the resulting ground movements, but it has also become involved in a man-made landslide.

Soak-away drainage - has been used for sewage and surface water run-off from roofs and pavements. This water soaks into the ground and raises the water table (GeoGuide LR5). Subsoil drains that run along the contours should be avoided for the same reason. If felt necessary, subsoil drains should run steeply downhill in a chevron, or herringbone, pattern. This may conflict with the requirements for effluent and surface water disposal (GeoGuide LR9) and if so, you will need to seek professional advice.

Rock debris - from landslides higher up on the slope seems likely to pass through the site. Such locations are often referred to by geotechnical practitioners as "debris flow paths". Rock is normally even denser than ordinary fill, so even quite modest boulders are likely to weigh many tonnes and do a lot of damage once they start to roll. Boulders have been known to travel hundreds of metres downhill leaving behind a trail of destruction.

Vegetation - has been completely cleared, leading to a possible rise in the water table and increased landslide risk (GeoGuide LR5).

DON'T CUT CORNERS ON HILLSIDE SITES - OBTAIN ADVICE FROM A GEOTECHNICAL PRACTITIONER

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BOREHOLE LOGS BH1 TO BH3
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GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION

Borehole Log

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 Date completed: 23/10/2019
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 Easting:
 Northing:

Vertical datum:
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					1.50		SAND, yellow, loose, moist			
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