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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Hydraulic Impact Assessment (HIA) has been prepared to support a Development Application for the proposed development at 439 Condamine Street, Allambie Heights. This HIA is based on:

- Architectural drawings prepared by Walsh Architects (Drawings DA000A to DA900A dated 04.06.2025)
- Clause 5.21 of the Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2011 (WLEP)
- Clauses C4 and C6 of Warringah Development Control Plan 2011 (WDCP)
- Northern Beaches Council "Water Management for Development Policy" 2021
- Building Over or Adjacent to Constructed Drainage Systems and Easements Technical Specification
- the Manly Lagoon Floodplain Risk Management Study (WMA Water October 2018)
- Reducing the Vulnerability of Buildings to Flood damage: Guidance on Building In Flood Prone Areas (Prepared for the Hawkesbury Nepean Floodplain management Steering Committee – 2007)
- Construction of buildings in flood hazard areas (Australian Building Codes Board ABCB Standard & NCC of Australia)
- the NSW Floodplain Risk Management Guide (Incorporating 2016 Australian Rainfall and Runoff in studies)
- the NSW Flood Risk Management Manual (2005 & 2023)
- discussions with Council engineers.

2.0 DEVELOPMENT SITE AND HYDRAULIC CONTEXT

This section of the report summaries the development site conditions and hydraulic conditions surrounding the development site.

2.1 SITE DESCRIPTION

The subject site is described as DP369828, 439 Condamine Street, Allambie Heights.

- The site area is approximately 1,125m² and is grading down toward the south-western boundary (toward Condamine Street).
- The site contains a single and double storey dwelling with tile and metal roofs, brick garage, concrete driveways, and various paved paths. Fences, retaining walls, and steps are surrounding the site.
- Site levels range from approximately RL 6.2m AHD at the front of the property to RL 8.9m AHD at the rear.
- The site is accessed via Condamine Street. The existing site appears to discharge stormwater directly



Condamine Street.

2.2 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

Based on the supplied information, we understand that the applicant intends to demolish the existing structures and construct a new two-three storey proposed residential multi-dwelling housing development with a shared below ground basement carpark.

- Demolition of the existing structures.
- The enclosed basement carpark level at RL 5.55m AHD.
- The ground, level 1 and level 2 floor levels of units 01 to 03 are proposed at RL 8.40m, 11.50m and 14.60m AHD respectively.
- The ground and level 1 floor levels of units 04 to 06 are proposed at RL 9.00m and 12.10m AHD respectively.

2.3 MANLY LAGOON CATCHMENT SUMMARY

Flooding within the Manly Lagoon catchment can occur as a result of a combination of factors, including:

- Catchment-derived runoff from intense rainfall over the Manly Lagoon catchment, which is the dominant flooding mechanism. Flooding can rise rapidly due to steep catchment response and urbanisation.
- Elevated ocean levels at the lagoon entrance (Queenscliff Beach) due to high tide or storm surge.
 While this may cause some inundation near the lagoon foreshore, it typically has less impact than catchment-driven events of the same probability.
- Lagoon entrance berm conditions, which affect flood levels. Higher sand berms restrict discharge, causing elevated lagoon levels during storm events. Mechanical opening of the entrance is managed by Council once levels exceed 1.0–1.4m AHD.
- Overbank flooding and ponding along Brookvale Creek, Burnt Bridge Creek, and Manly Creek, particularly when flow capacity in the drainage network is exceeded. Areas around Warringah Mall and Balgowlah Industrial Estate are especially affected by overland flow.

These factors may act independently or in combination. Generally, flooding from catchment rainfall produces the worst flood extents, particularly during short to medium duration storm events (2–9 hours), with critical peak levels often occurring rapidly downstream.

Peak flood levels in Manly Lagoon have been recorded within 30 minutes of upstream peak flows at Brookvale and Burnt Bridge Creek. Four key flood hotspots have been identified:

- Kenneth Road
- Balgowlah Road
- Manly Lagoon North Bank



Brookvale.

The entrance management protocol aims to reduce flood levels by mechanically opening the sand berm under specific trigger conditions. However, manual opening may not prevent inundation during major flood events.

Climate change and sea level rise are expected to exacerbate flood risk over time, increasing baseline lagoon levels and potentially triggering more frequent inundation of low-lying areas, even outside of storm events.

2.3.1 DEVELOPMENT SITE CATCHMENT LOCATION

The development site is located within the Burnt Bridge Creek sub-catchment, which contributes flow to Manly Lagoon. While the site is not within a formally identified flood hotspot, it lies upstream of the Balgowlah Road and Kenneth Road hotspot area, where overland flow and surcharge of the trunk drainage system can result in significant flood impacts. The site forms part of the contributing catchment to these lower flood-affected areas and may be influenced by trunk drainage capacity constraints during major storm events.

Although no adopted overland flow flood study exists for this location, Northern Beaches Council engineers have confirmed that development applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis by their development engineering team, who are likely to require an overland flow impact assessment to address potential local and downstream flooding effects.

2.4 PRE AND POST DEVELOPMENT

Refer to Appendix A for summary of DRAINS hydrologic and hydraulic results.

2.4.1 PRE DEVELOPMENT OVERLAND FLOW

Predicted Levels:

1% AEP Level	= 8.80m AHD at rear of building
1% AEP Level	= 6.30m AHD at new driveway entrance location
PMF Level	= 9.00m AHD at rear of building
PMF Level	= 6.50m AHD at new driveway entrance location
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- 1% AEP Velocity = 0.49 m/s at rear of building
- 1% AEP Velocity = 0.77 m/s at new driveway entrance location
- PMF Velocity = 0.79 m/s at rear of building
- PMF Velocity = 1.02 m/s at new driveway entrance location



2.4.3 POST DEVELOPMENT OVERLAND FLOW

Predicted Levels:

1% AEP Level	= 8.80m AHD at rear of building
1% AEP Level	= 6.30m AHD at new driveway entrance location
PMF Level	= 9.00m AHD at rear of building
PMF Level	= 6.50m AHD at new driveway entrance location
Predicted Velocities:	

- 1% AEP Velocity = 0.52 m/s at rear of building
- 1% AEP Velocity = 0.81 m/s at new driveway entrance location
- PMF Velocity = 0.85 m/s at rear of building
- PMF w Velocity = 1.08 m/s at new driveway entrance location

3.0 Hydraulic Impact Assessment Summary

Overland flood behaviour within the catchment was assessed using DRAINS and TUFLOW hydrologic and hydraulic modelling under both existing and developed site conditions. TUFLOW was used to model surface runoff and flow paths from the upstream catchment contributing to the site, while DRAINS was used to assess pit and pipe performance and quantify peak flows. This modelling formed the basis of the overland flow impact assessment, independent of estuarine flood risk considerations.

The computer models consisted of the following:

- A DRAINS model of existing Council stormwater network was utilised to determine the overland flow hydrographs for the 1% AEP and PMF storm events.
- Hydrographs for the overland flows directed to the development site were input into TUFLOW to determine predicted Pre and Post Development Flood Levels as summarised in Section 2.0 of this report.
- Refer to Appendix A for summary of DRAINS hydrologic and hydraulic results.
- Refer to Appendix C for summary of TUFLOW hydraulic results and comparison of pre and post development impacts.

3.1 HYDRAULIC IMPACTS

As a result of the development the overland flow extent and levels are envisaged to be altered slightly, predominantly within the development site. Council's "Water Management for Development Policy" predominantly requires a design consideration of the 1% AEP storm event. The overland flow levels are not envisaged to be significantly impacted outside of the development site for all storms up to and including the 1% AEP storm event. The extent of exceedance of 11mm is less than 20mm which is considered a minor increase according to WDCP 2011.



4.0 DEVELOPMENT COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

Northern Beaches Council have mandatory requirements for properties located on flood-affected land specified in the following flood risk management controls.

The determined Flood Risk Precincts are:

Overland Flow component - Low Flood Risk Precinct

4.1 WARRINGAH DCP 2011

Warringah DCP 2011 (Low Flood Risk Precinct):

• No flood requirements according to Flood Prone Land Matrix.

4.2 COUNCIL'S WATER MANAGEMENT POLICY

Applicable Council Trunk Drainage Adjacency Requirements (Section 6.0 of Water Management Policy):

- Invert clearance for adjacent footings (\geq 300mm below invert and \geq 1.0m horizontal clearance)
- Connection to system must comply with Council standards.

Applicable Overland Flow Flooding Requirements (Section 11.0 of Water Management Policy):

- 1% AEP overland flow path must be defined and unimpeded
- Flow paths required over pipelines not rated for 1% AEP
- Flow paths must consider velocity x depth hazard
- No obstruction or loose landscaping in flow path (e.g. bark, mulch)
- NER-registered engineer to confirm overland flow affectation.

4.3 FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT MANUAL

Minimum Flood Risk Management Manual (2023) Requirements:

- No worsening of flood affectation to adjacent or downstream properties
- Habitable floor levels must be at or above the Flood Planning Level (FPL) with appropriate freeboard
- Basements must be flood-protected (e.g. pump-out systems, no direct entry of floodwater)
- Building materials below FPL must be flood-compatible and structurally stable under inundation
- Flow paths must be preserved i.e. no blocking or diverting overland flow unless hydraulically justified
- Evacuation must be safe and practical, with access routes not isolated in the 1% AEP or PMF
- Development must match flood risk level
- Emergency response planning to Council requirements
- Residual risk above PMF must be acknowledged and addressed (e.g. refuge, signage, warning systems)
- Climate change impacts must be considered in flood level estimation and design life.

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

This report has been prepared to document a strategy to manage overland flow adjacent to and through the site and to set minimum finished floor levels. The flood impact assessment concludes that the proposed development does not have an adverse impact on the existing flooding at the site or surrounding area.

The key strategies to be adopted for this development include the following:

- 1. All habitable floors for units 01 to 03 proposed at RL 8.40m AHD are located well above the 1% AEP overland flow level within Condamine Street thus providing sufficient freeboard.
- 2. All habitable floors for units 04 to 06 should be at or above RL 9.00m AHD based on the 1% AEP overland flow level plus appropriate freeboard (200mm) or the PMF level.
- Basement entry is to be protected by ensuring no points of entry are located below of RL 6.50m AHD including driveway entrance based on the PMF level. Driveway grades must also comply with Council and Australian Standards.
- 4. All building materials below RL 6.50m AHD should be flood compatible.
- 5. The design of the structure for any items located below RL 6.50m AHD are recommended to be certified by a structural engineer registered on the National Engineers Register for Structural Engineering (NER-Structural) during the Construction Certificate phase of the project.
- 6. Appropriate flood warning signage should be installed to warn people of potential flooding at the site.

6.0 CONCLUSION

By implementation of the above recommendations, the proposed development will comply with the intent of Council's flood related development controls. Flood risks to life and property have been mitigated as far as practical through appropriate design and modelling. The development is recommended for Council approval.

We trust that this report meets with Council requirements for flood risk management analysis. Please contact the author if further clarification is required.

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APPENDIX A – CATCHMENT AND COUNCIL INFORMATION



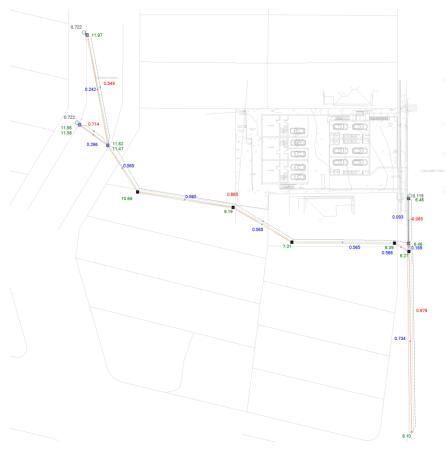


Figure A1 – DRAINS Model Summary for 1% AEP Storm Event

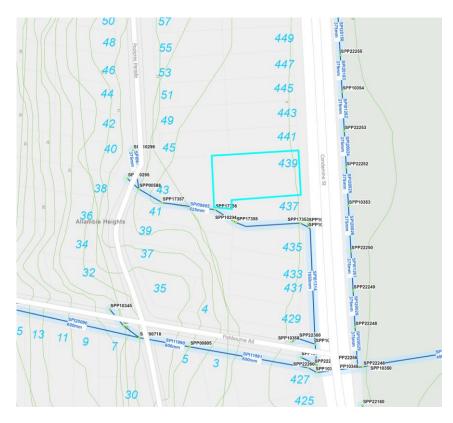
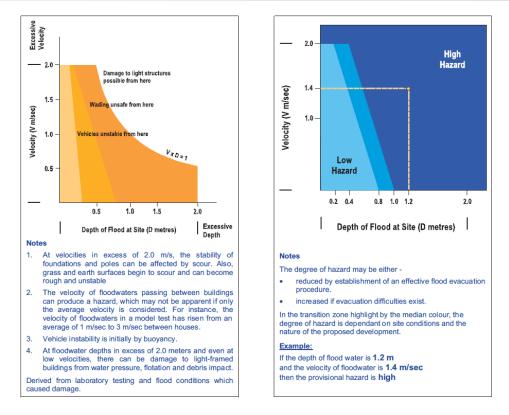


Figure A2 – Figure of Adjacent Council Stormwater Assets (Northern Beaches Council Mapping)



APPENDIX B – FLOOD HAZARD RISK LEVEL





<u>Figure B1 – Flood Hazard Curve Risk Level for the Development</u>

Note: This information is based on the NSW Government Floodplain Management Manual (2005)

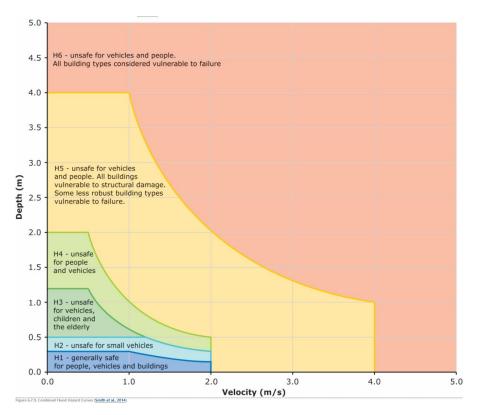


Figure B2 – Combined Flood Hazard Curves

Note: This information is taken from Figure 6.7.9 from Australian Rainfall & Runoff 2019 (Smith et al., 2014)



APPENDIX C - TUFLOW MODEL FLOOD MAPPING PLANS







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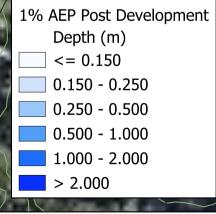
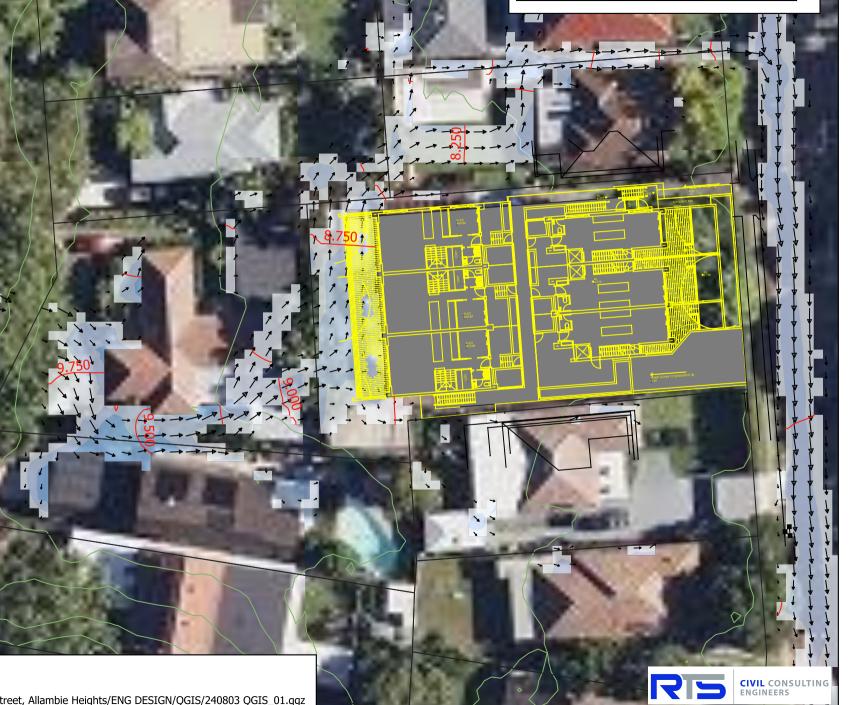


Figure - 1AEP_D_Post Maximum Depth Map Rhys Mikhail - June 2025 S:/RTS PROJECTS/2024/240803 - 439 Condamine Street, Allambie Heights/ENG DESIGN/QGIS/240803 QGIS_01.qgz



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30 m

30 m 20 10 Legend 1% AEP Post Development Velocity (m/s) <= 0.400 0.400 - 0.800 0.800 - 1.500 1.500 - 2.000 > 2.000

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1% AEP Post Development Risk Hazard
Flood Fringe
Low Risk
Medium Risk
High Risk

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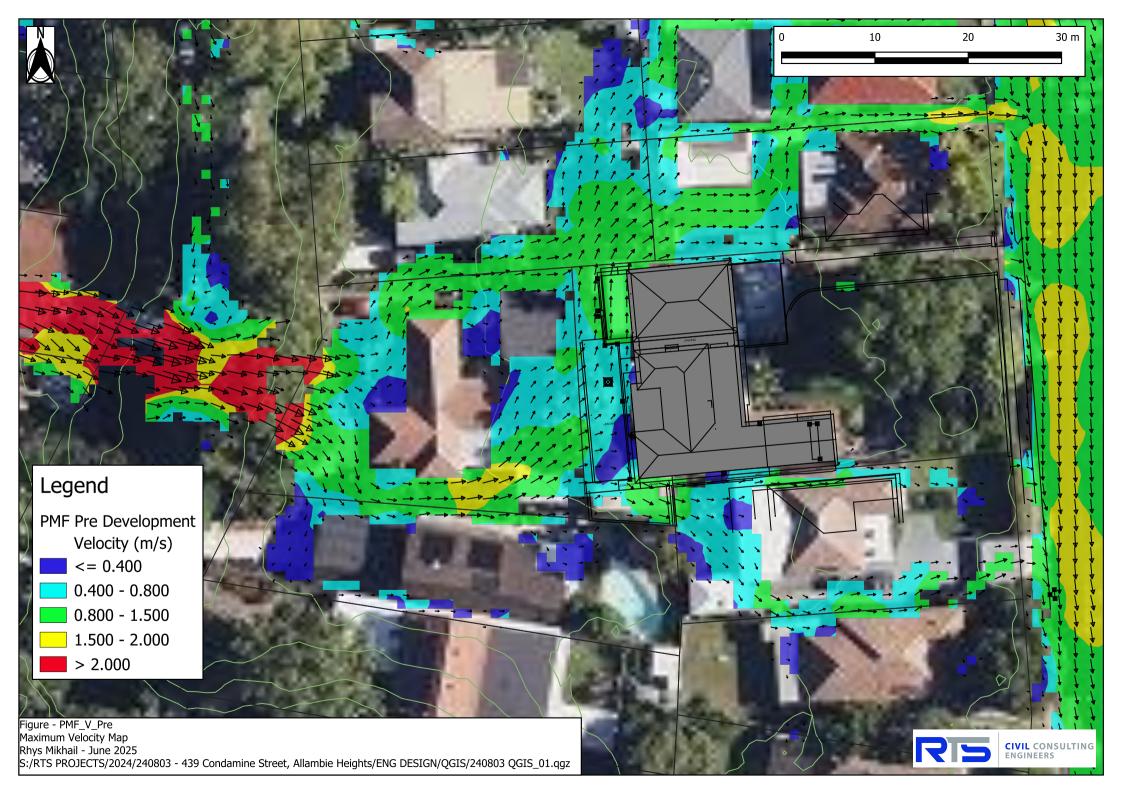
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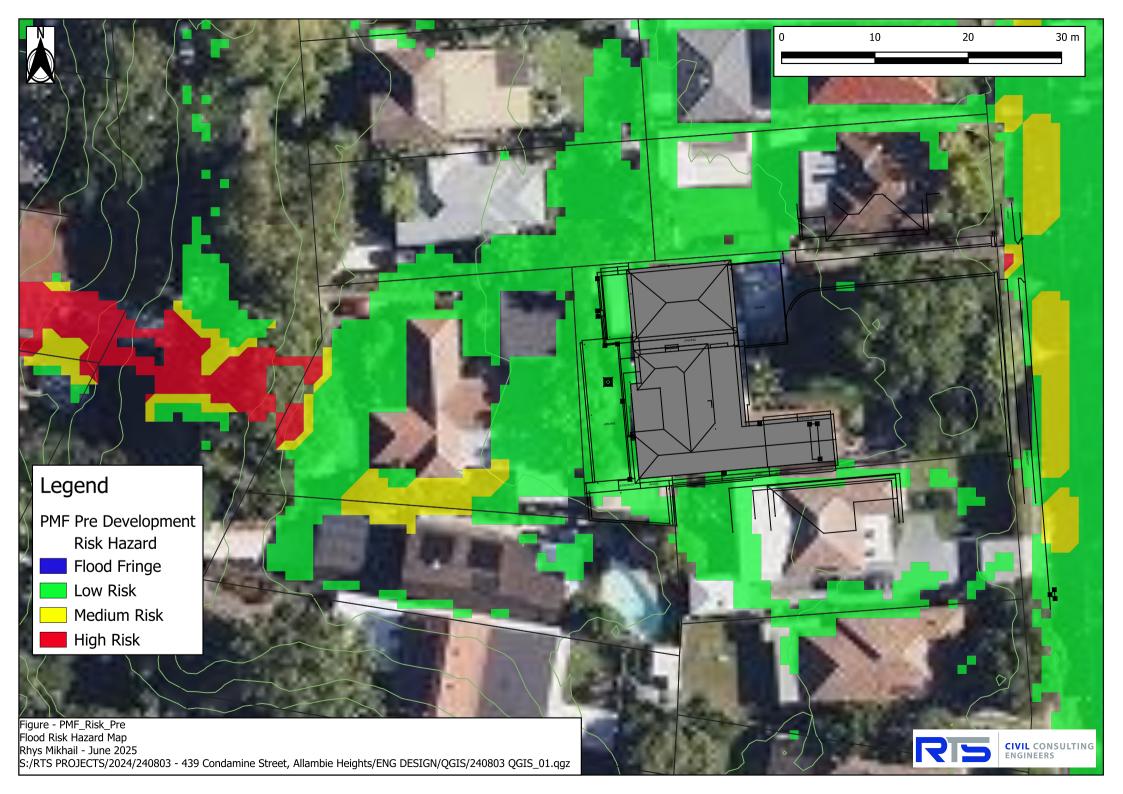
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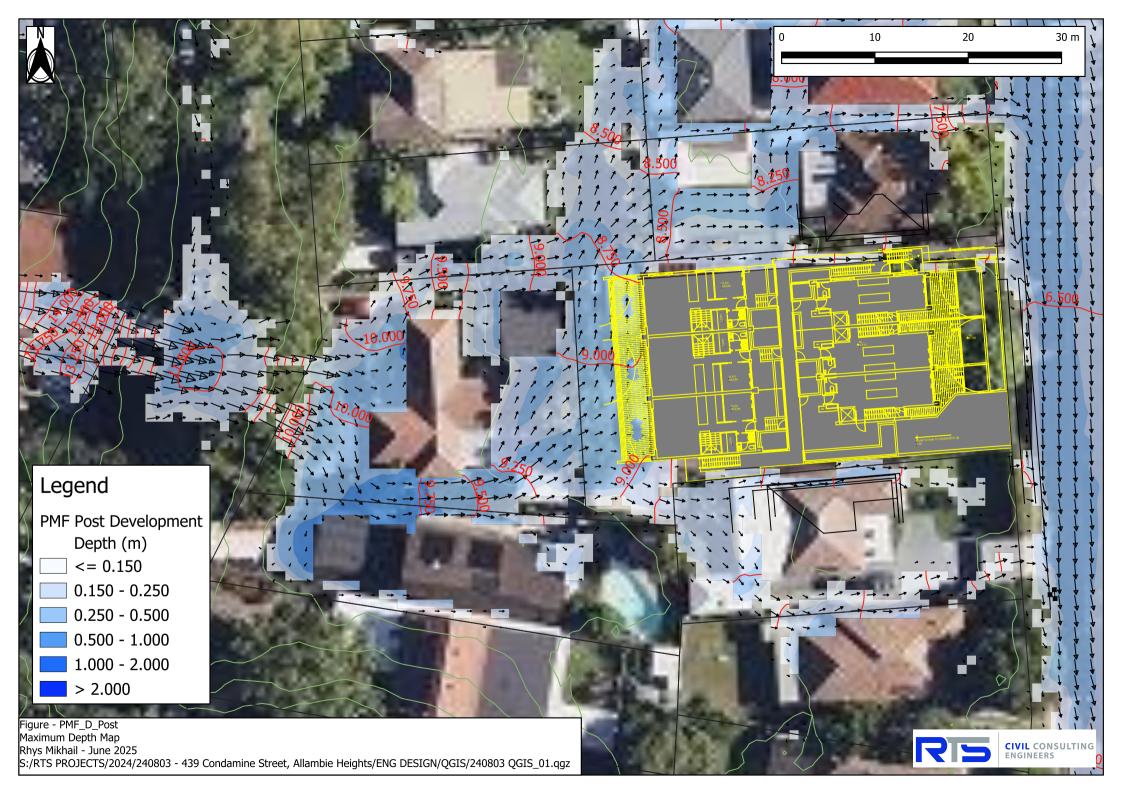
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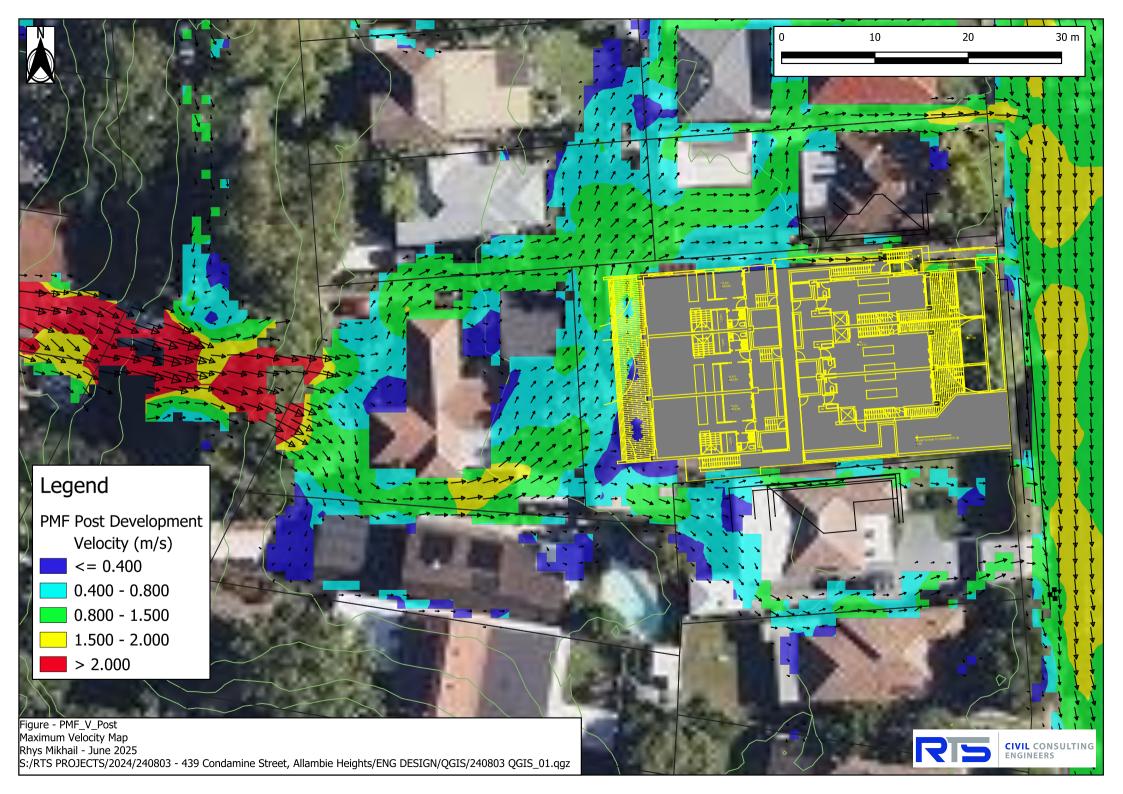
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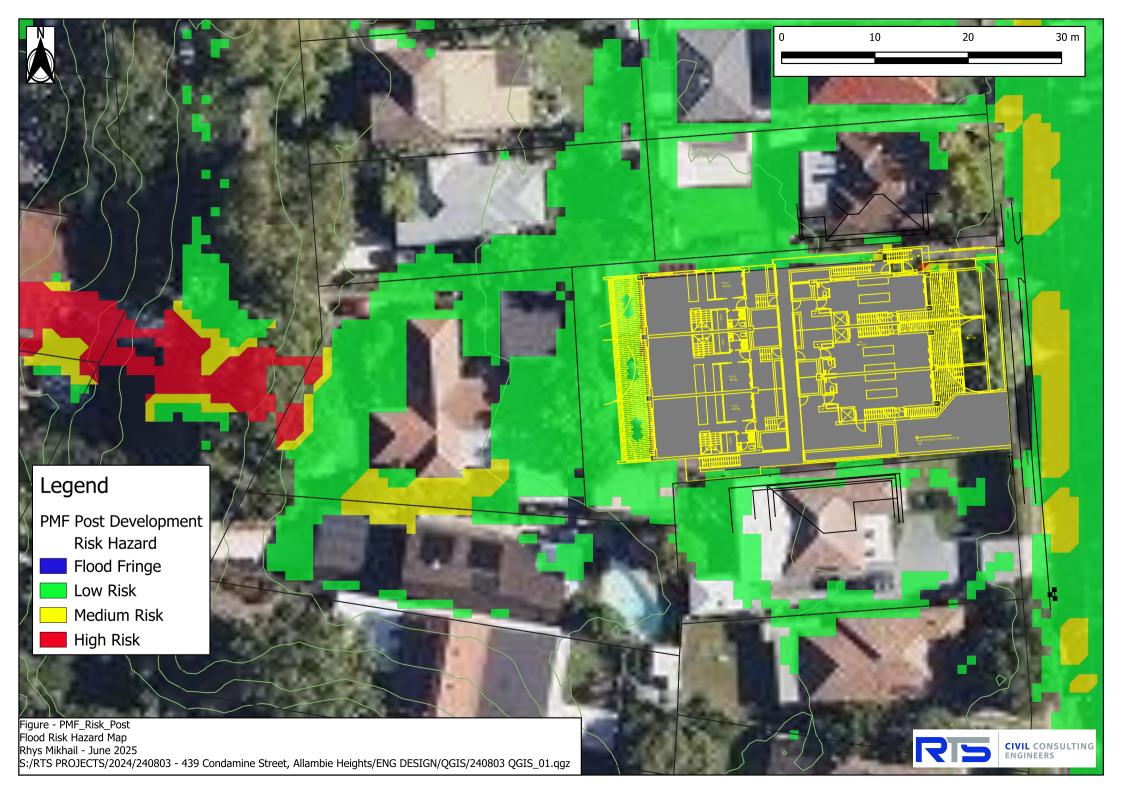








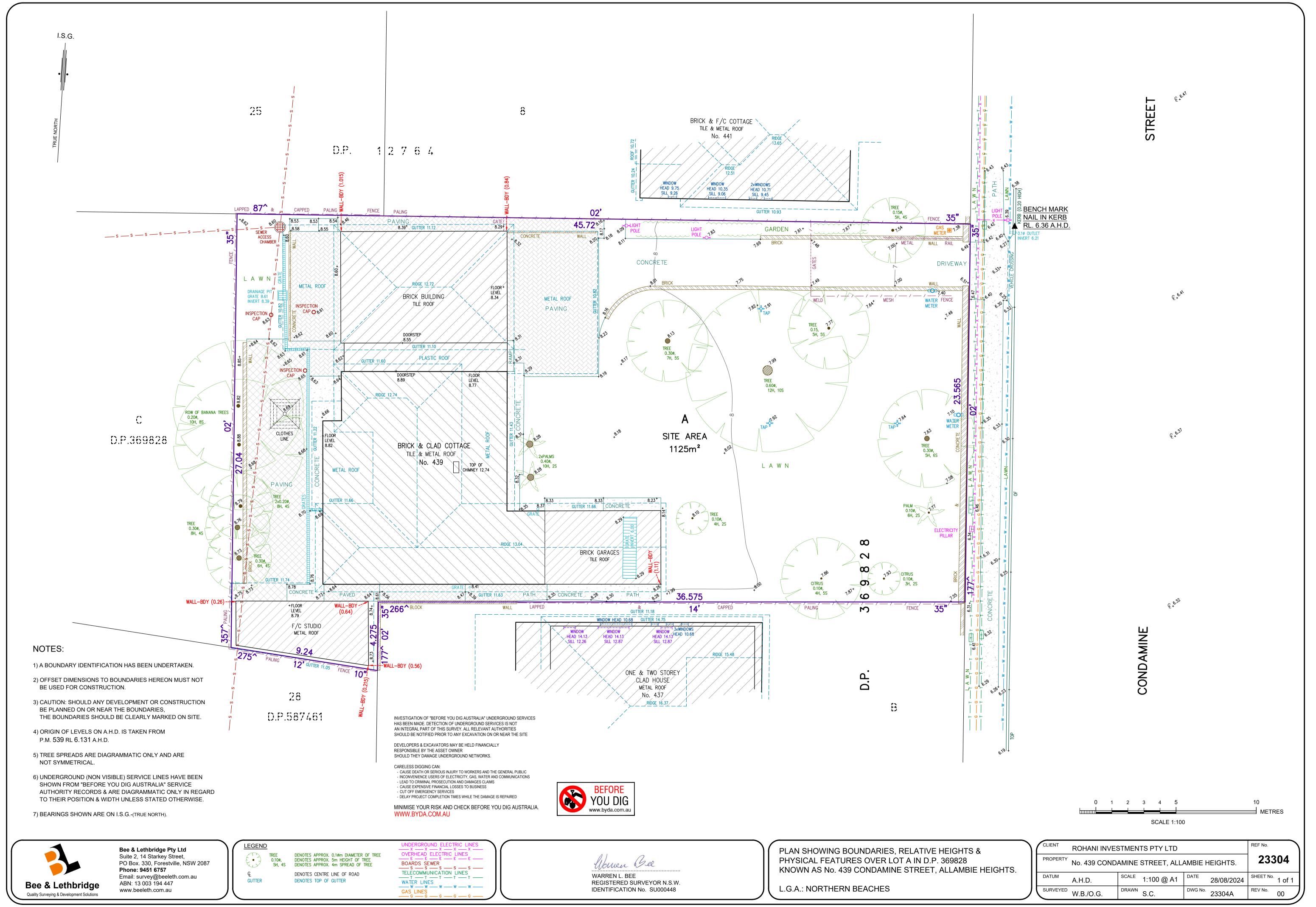








APPENDIX D - SITE SURVEY AND DEVELOPMENT PLANS







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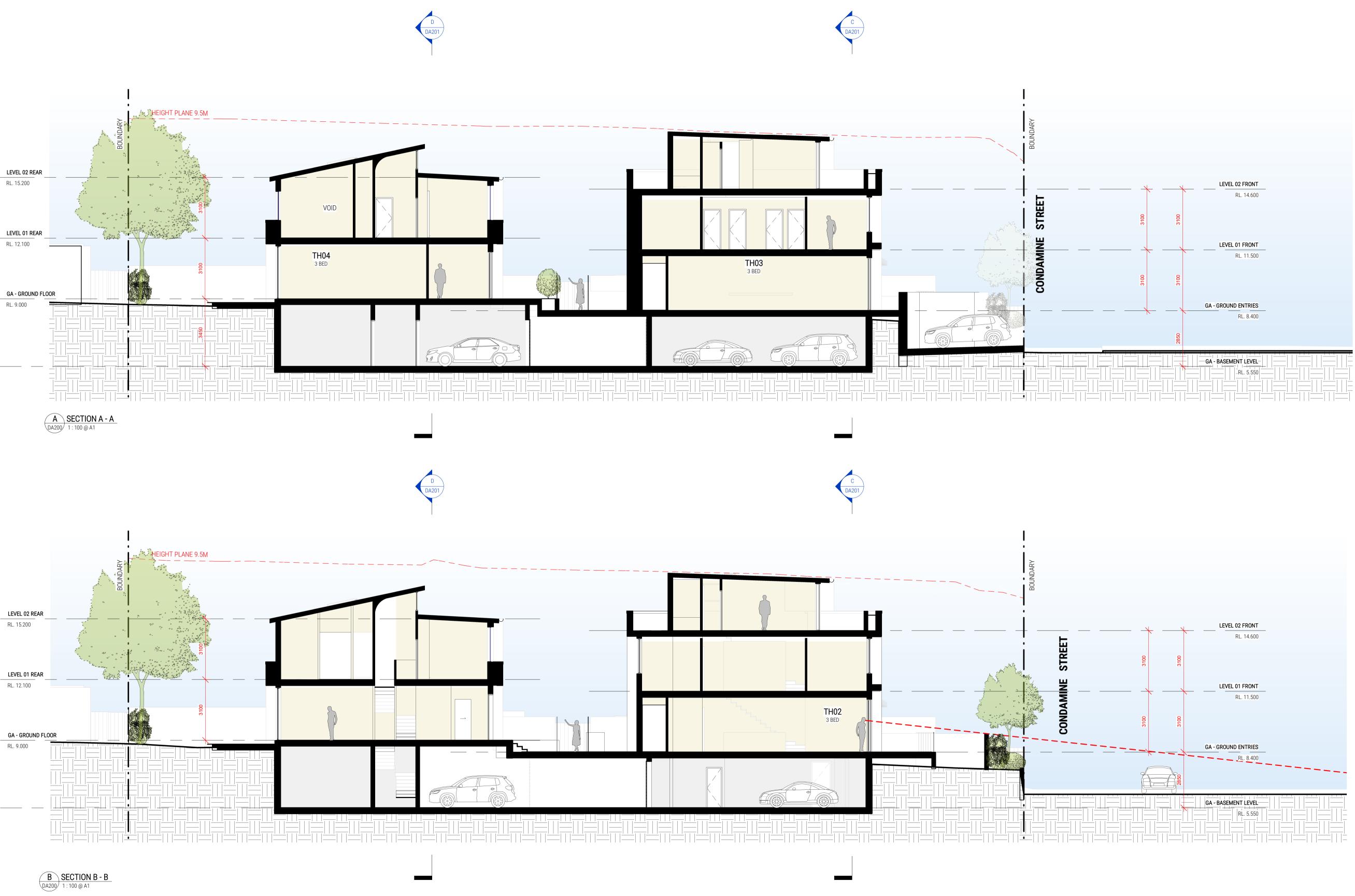
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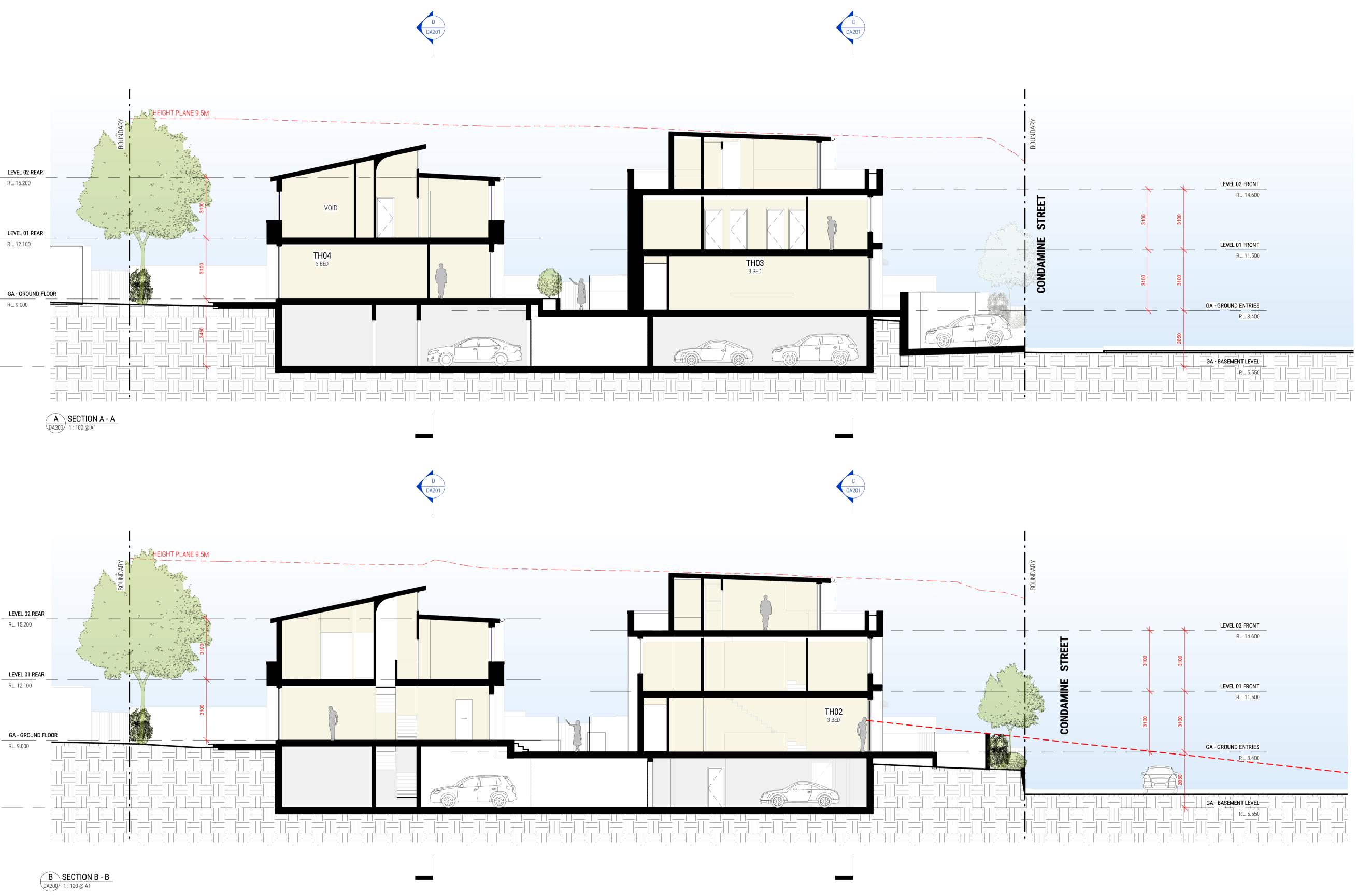




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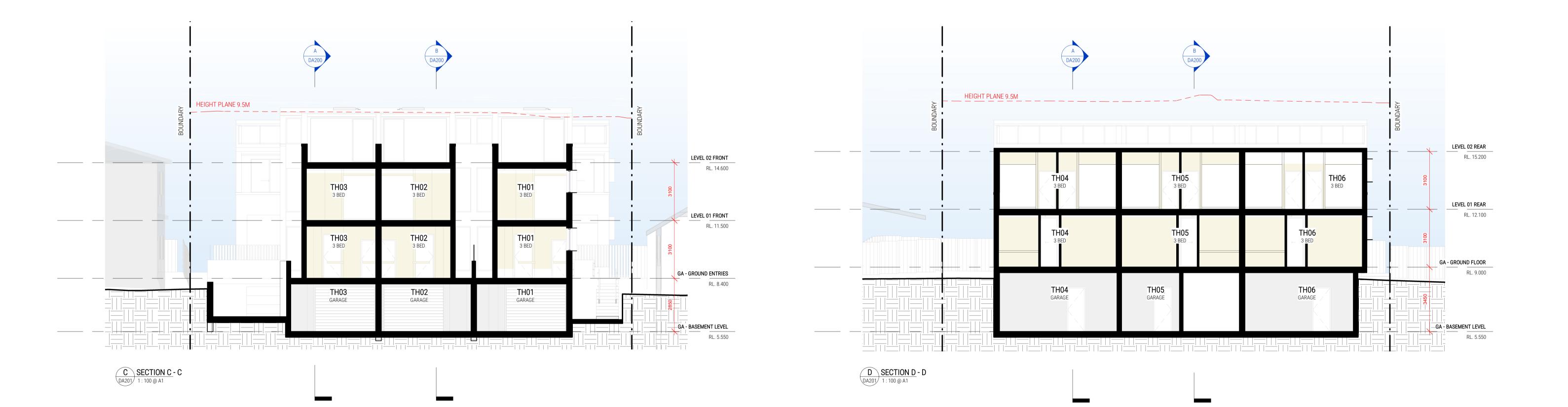


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