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20 Sunrise Road, Palm Beach

Comments on Updates to Plans

We have reviewed the existing geotechnical report, the plans used to carry out the report,

and the updated plans shown on 9 architectural drawings prepared by Northern Beaches

Drafting, project number 2408, drawings numbered DA4 to DA12, Issue A, dated 25/2/25.

The changes include:

• Lowered the S portion of the proposed secondary dwelling by 1.0m, requiring an

excavation to a maximum depth of ~1.4m.

• Removed the proposed inclined lift.

• Various other minor internal and external alterations and additions.

The additional excavation slightly increases the overall risk of the project. As such, we would

add the following advice to the existing report, where the advice contradicts that in the

existing report, it supersedes it:

**Excavation Support Requirements** 

The excavation at the S side of the proposed secondary dwelling is to be carried out following

the excavation support recommendations in the attached geotechnical report by this firm for

the excavation at the N side of the secondary dwelling.

Conclusion

Provided these recommendations are followed as well as the recommendations in the original

attached report carried out by this firm (job number J5281, dated 23/9/24), the proposed

works have an 'acceptable' risk level in accordance with the 2009 Geotechnical Risk

Management Policy for Pittwater.



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

Devel	Development Application for				
		Name of Applicant			
Addre	ss of site	20 Sunrise Road, Palm Beach			
		overs the minimum requirements to be addressed in a Geotechnical Risk <b>Declaration made by</b> or engineering geologist or coastal engineer (where applicable) as part of a geotechnical report			
!,	Ben White (Insert Name)	on behalf of White Geotechnical Group Pty Ltd (Trading or Company Name)			
organisa	engineer as defin	certify that I am a geotechnical engineer or engineering geologist o ed by the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009 and I am authorised by the above issue this document and to certify that the organisation/company has a current professional indemnity on.			
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$\boxtimes$		the detailed Geotechnical Report referenced below in accordance with the Australia Geomechanics slide Risk Management Guidelines (AGS 2007) and the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for			
$\boxtimes$	am willing to accordance wit	technically verify that the detailed Geotechnical Report referenced below has been prepared in the Australian Geomechanics Society's Landslide Risk Management Guidelines (AGS 2007) and the tisk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009			
	with Section 6.0 assessment fo	the site and the proposed development in detail and have carried out a risk assessment in accordance of the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009. I confirm that the results of the risk reproposed development are in compliance with the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for and further detailed geotechnical reporting is not required for the subject site.			
	have examined Application on	the site and the proposed development/alteration in detail and I am of the opinion that the Developmen ly involves Minor Development/Alteration that does not require a Geotechnical Report or Risk defined the my Report is in accordance with the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009			
	have examined Hazard and do the Geotechnic	the site and the proposed development/alteration is separate from and is not affected by a Geotechnica es not require a Geotechnical Report or Risk Assessment and hence my Report is in accordance with al Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009 requirements.			
	have provided t	the coastal process and coastal forces analysis for inclusion in the Geotechnical Report			
Geotec	nnical Report De				
	Report Title: Ge Report Date: 23	otechnical Report <b>20 Sunrise Road, Palm Beach</b> 8/9/24			
	Author: BEN W	/HITE			
	Author's Compa	any/Organisation: WHITE GEOTECHNICAL GROUP PTY LTD			
Docum	entation which re	elate to or are relied upon in report preparation:			

Australian Geomechanics Society Landslide Risk Management March 2007.

White Geotechnical Group company archives.

I am aware that the above Geotechnical Report, prepared for the abovementioned site is to be submitted in support of a Development Application for this site and will be relied on by Pittwater Council as the basis for ensuring that the Geotechnical Risk Management aspects of the proposed development have been adequately addressed to achieve an "Acceptable Risk Management" level for the life of the structure, taken as at least 100 years unless otherwise stated and justified in the Report and that reasonable and practical measures have been identified to remove foreseeable risk.

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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

Deve	Development Application forName of App	licant
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	eotechnical Report Details:	-
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Repo	Report Date: 23/9/24	
Auth	Author: BEN WHITE	
Auth	Author's Company/Organisation: WHITE GEOTECHNICAL GRO	UP PTY LTD
Please	ease mark appropriate box	
	Comprehensive site mapping conducted 15/12/23 (date)	
$\boxtimes$	Mapping details presented on contoured site plan with geomorp	phic mapping to a minimum scale of 1:200 (as appropriate)
$\boxtimes$	Subsurface investigation required	
	□ No Justification	
	<ul> <li>✓ Yes Date conducted 15/12/23</li> <li>Geotechnical model developed and reported as an inferred subsequence.</li> </ul>	aurface type conting
$\boxtimes$	Geotechnical model developed and reported as an interred suc	surface type-section
	Above the site	
	☑ On the site	
	⊠ Below the site	
	☐ Beside the site	
$\boxtimes$	Geotechnical hazards described and reported	
$\boxtimes$	Risk assessment conducted in accordance with the Geotechnic	al Risk Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009
	□ Consequence analysis	
	□ Frequency analysis	
$\boxtimes$	Risk calculation	
$\boxtimes$	Risk assessment for property conducted in accordance with the	
	Risk assessment for loss of life conducted in accordance with t	
$\boxtimes$	Assessed risks have been compared to "Acceptable Risk Mana	gement" criteria as defined in the Geotechnical Risk
$\boxtimes$	Management Policy for Pittwater - 2009  Opinion has been provided that the design can achieve the "Ac	contable Rick Management" criteria provided that the
	specified conditions are achieved.	ceptable Kisk Management Chilena provided that the
$\boxtimes$	Design Life Adopted:	
	⊠ 100 years	
	☐ Other	
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$\boxtimes$	Geotechnical Conditions to be applied to all four phases as des	cribed in the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for
$\boxtimes$	Pittwater - 2009 have been specified  Additional action to remove risk where reasonable and practica	I have been identified and included in the report
	Risk assessment within Bushfire Asset Protection Zone.	Thave been identified and included in the report.
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### **GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION:**

New Secondary Dwelling and Inclined Lift at 20 Sunrise Road, Palm Beach

#### 1. Proposed Development

- 1.1 Construct a new single storey secondary dwelling downhill of the existing house and pool by excavating to a maximum depth of ~2.2m.
- 1.2 Construct a new inclined lift that runs from the secondary dwelling to Ocean Road.
- 1.3 Details of the proposed development are shown on 15 drawings prepared by Northern Beaches Drafting, project number 2408, drawings numbered DA4 to DA18, dated 19/9/24.

### 2. Site Description

- **2.1** The site was inspected on the 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2023, and previously on the 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.
- 2.2 This residential property has dual access. It is on the low side of Sunrise Road and the high side of Ocean Road. The property has an E aspect. The block is located on the steeply graded middle to lower reaches of a hillslope. The natural slope falls from Sunrise Road at an average angle of ~20° to the approximate mid-point of the property before falling at very steep angles of ~48° to the road frontage with Ocean Road. The slope above the property gradually decreases in grade. The slope below the property quickly eases to gentles angles at the beach.
- **2.3** At the road frontage to Sunrise Road, a stone-paved driveway runs to a garage attached to the uphill side of the house (Photo 1). The part three-storey house is supported on brick and concrete block walls and concrete columns (Photo 2). The supporting walls display no significant signs of movement and the supporting columns



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stand vertical. Some of the supporting walls were observed to be supported directly

off competent Medium Strength Sandstone bedrock (Photo 3). A mostly suspended

pool has been constructed off the downhill side of the house (Photo 4). The concrete

shell of the pool displays no signs of movement related to slope instability and is

considered stable. A steep slope falls from the base of the pool to the top of a ~6.0m

high sandstone cliff (Photo 5). The cliff consists of massive Medium Strength

Sandstone and displays no significant geological defects. Thus, it is considered stable.

A very steep and very densely-vegetated slope falls from the base of the cliff to the

road frontage with Ocean Road (Photo 6). Some stable bands of sandstone were

observed to be outcropping through this slope (Photo 7).

3. Geology

The Sydney 1:100 000 Geological sheet indicates the contact of the Hawkesbury Sandstone

and the Newport Formation of the Narrabeen Group cuts the property. The contact is most

likely located at the base of the sandstone cliff that falls below the pool. The Narrabeen Group

rocks extend from this point down to the lower boundary and beyond (with some sandstone

bands). The Narrabeen Group Rocks are described as interbedded laminite, shale, and quartz

to lithic quartz sandstone.

4. Subsurface Investigation

One hand Auger Hole (AH) was put down to identify the soil materials. Four Dynamic Cone

Penetrometer (DCP) tests were put down to determine the relative density of the overlying

soil and the depth to weathered rock. The locations of the tests are shown on the site plan

attached. It should be noted that a level of caution should be applied when interpreting DCP

test results. The test will not pass through hard buried objects so in some instances it can be

difficult to determine whether refusal has occurred on an obstruction in the profile or on the

natural rock surface. This is not expected to have been an issue for this site. But due to the

possibility that the actual ground conditions vary from our interpretation there should be

allowances in the excavation and foundation budget to account for this. We refer to the



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appended "Important Information about Your Report" to further clarify. The results are as follows:

#### **AUGER HOLE 1 – AH2 (Photo 8)**

Depth (m)	Material Encountered
0.0 to 0.7	<b>FILL</b> , sandy soil, with some rock fragments, dark brown, dry to moist, fine to coarse grained.
0.7 to 0.9	COLLUVIUM, sand, brown orange, damp, fine to medium grained.
0.9 to 1.1	CLAY, grey, firm to stiff, moist.

End of hole @ 1.1m in firm to stiff clay. No water table encountered.

DCP TEST RESULTS – Dynamic Cone Penetrometer				
Equipment: 9kg hammer, 510mm drop, conical tip. Standard: AS1289.6.3.2 -199				
Depth(m) Blows/0.3m	DCP 1	DCP 2	DCP 3	DCP 4
0.0 to 0.3	8	9	32	17
0.3 to 0.6	9	14	17	13
0.6 to 0.9	4	5	7	11
0.9 to 1.2	7	14	16	21
1.2 to 1.5	8	45	16	18
1.5 to 1.8	16	#	13	15
1.8 to 2.1	15		26	25
2.1 to 2.4	#		19	#
2.4 to 2.7			20	
2.7 to 3.0			#	
	Refusal on Rock @ 1.9m	Refusal on Rock @ 1.4m	Refusal on Rock @ 2.6m	Refusal on Rock @ 2.0m

#refusal/end of test. F=DCP fell after being struck showing little resistance through all or part of the interval.



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#### **DCP Notes:**

DCP1 – Refusal on Rock @ 1.9m, DCP bouncing off rock surface, grey and yellow clay and dark brown soil on moist tip.

DCP2 – Refusal on Rock @ 1.4m, DCP bouncing off rock surface, dark brown soil on dry tip.

DCP3 – Refusal on Rock @ 2.6m, DCP bouncing off rock surface, orange clay and dark brown soil on damp tip.

DCP4 – Refusal on Rock @ 2.0m, DCP bouncing off rock surface, brown soil on dry tip.

#### 5. Geological Observations/Interpretation

The slope materials are colluvial at the near surface and residual at depth. In the test locations, the ground materials consist of fill and colluvium over firm to stiff clays. Fill to a maximum depth of ~1.0m has been placed across the slope in the location of the proposed works for landscaping and for a pathway. In the test locations, the clays merge into the weathered zone of the underlying rock at depths of between ~1.4m to ~2.6m below the current surface, being deeper in the filled areas (DCP1 & 4) and deeper where the colluvium is deeper (DCP3). The weathered zone of the underlying rock is interpreted as Extremely Low to Low Strength Rock. It is to be noted that this material is a soft rock and can appear as a mottled stiff clay when it is cut up by excavation equipment. See Type Section attached for a diagrammatical representation of the expected ground materials.

#### 6. Groundwater

Ground water seepage is expected to move over the denser and less permeable clay and weathered rock layers in the sub-surface profile. Due to the slope and elevation of the block, the water table is expected to be many metres below the base of the proposed works.

#### 7. Surface Water

No evidence of surface flows were observed on the property during the inspection. Normal sheet wash from the slope above will be intercepted by the street drainage system for Sunrise Road above. Runoff generated on the long slope on site will move down the slope at a relatively high velocity due to the steep grade.



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Due to the steep grade of the slope, it is recommended as part of the development a cut off

drain be installed on the uphill side of the proposed secondary dwelling (and below the cliff

face) to catch surface flows from the slope and rock face above. The captured flows from this

drain should be piped to the street. As current modelling indicates weather conditions on the

East Coast will become more extreme into the future all drains, pits and associated plumbing

are to be oversized and designed to cope with extreme prolonged rainfall events. The drain is

to be the first thing constructed on the site as part of the development and is to be designed

by a stormwater or civil engineer in consultation with the geotechnical consultant. It is a

condition of the slope stability assessment in Section 8 (Hazard One) that this be done.

8. Geotechnical Hazards and Risk Analysis

No geotechnical hazards were observed beside the property. The steeply graded slope that

falls across the property and continues above and below is a potential hazard (Hazard One).

The ~6.0m high sandstone rock face (Photo 5) is a potential hazard (Hazard Two). The

proposed excavation is a potential hazard until retaining structures are in place

(Hazard Three).

**RISK ANALYSIS SUMMARY ON NEXT PAGE** 



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#### **Geotechnical Hazards and Risk Analysis - Risk Analysis Summary**

HAZARDS	Hazard One	Hazard Two	Hazard Three	
ТҮРЕ	The steep slope that falls across the property and continues above and below failing and impacting on the property.	The ~6.0m high sandstone rock face (Photo 5) mass failing and impacting on the property and the proposed secondary dwelling.	The proposed excavation for the secondary dwelling collapsing onto the worksite and impacting the neighbouring properties during the excavation process.	
LIKELIHOOD	'Unlikely' (10 <sup>-4</sup> )	'Rare' (10 <sup>-5</sup> )	'Possible' (10 <sup>-3</sup> )	
CONSEQUENCES TO PROPERTY	'Medium' (12%)	'Medium' (30%)	'Medium' (15%)	
RISK TO PROPERTY	'Low' (2 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> )	'Low' (2 x 10 <sup>-6</sup> )	'Moderate' (2 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> )	
RISK TO LIFE	8.3 x 10 <sup>-7</sup> /annum	6.2 x 10 <sup>-7</sup> /annum	7.4 x 10 <sup>-5</sup> /annum	
COMMENTS	This level of risk is 'ACCEPTABLE', provided the recommendations in Section 7 and 16 are carried out.	This level of risk is 'ACCEPTABLE'	This level of risk to life and property is 'UNACCEPTABLE'. To move the risk to 'ACCEPTABLE' levels, the recommendations in <b>Section 13</b> are to be followed.	

(See Aust. Geomech. Jnl. Mar 2007 Vol. 42 No 1, for full explanation of terms)

#### 9. Suitability of the Proposed Development for the Site

The proposed development is suitable for the site. No geotechnical hazards will be created by the completion of the proposed development provided it is carried out in accordance with the requirements of this report and good engineering and building practice.



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10. Stormwater

The fall is to Ocean Road. All stormwater from the proposed development is to be piped to

the street drainage system through any tanks that may be required by the regulating

authorities.

11. Excavations

An excavation to a maximum depth of ~2.2m is required to construct the proposed secondary

dwelling. The excavation is expected to be through fill, colluvium and clay. Extremely Low to

Low Strength Rock may be encountered near the base of the excavation at the uphill side.

It is envisaged that excavations through fill, colluvium, clay and rock up to Low Strength can

be carried out with an excavator and toothed bucket or hand tools.

12. Vibrations

It is expected the proposed excavation will be carried out with an excavator and toothed

bucket or hand tools and the vibrations produced will be below the threshold limit for building

or infrastructure damage using a domestic sized excavator up to 16 tonne or hand tools.

13. Excavation Support Requirements

On steep sites such as this one, to help maintain excavation stability before retaining walls

are in place, it is critical upslope runoff be diverted from the proposed excavation with the

permanent drainage measures outlined in **Section 7**.

An excavation to a maximum depth of ~2.2m is required to construct the proposed secondary

dwelling. Allowing for backwall drainage, the excavation is set ~1.5m from the N common

boundary. The N common boundary will be within the zone of influence of the excavation. In

this instance, the zone of influence is the area above a theoretical 30° line (from horizontal)

through fill/colluvium and a 45° line through clay / weathered rock from the base of the

excavation towards the surrounding structures and boundaries.



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Due to the steep grade of the slope and the proximity to the N common boundary, all sides of the excavation will need to be temporarily or permanently supported prior to the commencement of the excavation, or during the excavation process in a staged manner, so cut batters are not left unsupported. The support will need to be designed by the structural engineer. See the Ground Floor Plan attached for the minimum extent of the required shoring shown in blue.

As discussed above upslope runoff is to be diverted from the cut faces by drainage diversion works. The materials and labour to construct the retaining walls are to be organised so shoring walls can be installed as required. The excavation is to be carried out during a dry period. No excavations are to commence if heavy or prolonged rainfall is forecast.

All excavation spoil is to be removed from site following the current Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) waste classification guidelines.

#### 14. Retaining Structures

For cantilever or singly propped retaining structures it is suggested the design be based on a triangular distribution of lateral pressures using the parameters shown in Table 1.

Table 1 – Likely Earth Pressures for Retaining Structures

	Earth Pressure Coefficients			
Unit	Unit weight (kN/m³)	'Active' Ka	'At Rest' K₀	
Fill and Colluvium	20	0.40	0.55	
Residual Clays	20	0.35	0.45	
Extremely Low to Low Strength Rock	22	0.25	0.38	

For rock classes refer to Pells et al "Design Loadings for Foundations on Shale and Sandstone in the Sydney Region". Australian Geomechanics Journal 1978.



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It is to be noted that the earth pressures in Table 1 assume a level surface above the structure

and do not account for any surcharge loads, noting that surcharge loads from the slope above

will be acting on the wall. It also assumes retaining structures are fully drained. Ground

materials and relevant earth pressure coefficients are to be confirmed on site by the

geotechnical consultant.

All retaining structures are to have sufficient back-wall drainage and be backfilled

immediately behind the structure with free draining material (such as gravel). This material is

to be wrapped in a non-woven Geotextile fabric (i.e. Bidim A34 or similar), to prevent the

drainage from becoming clogged with silt and clay. If no back-wall drainage is installed in

retaining structures the full hydrostatic pressures are to be accounted for in the retaining

structure design.

15. Foundations

The proposed secondary dwelling is to be supported on piers taken to and embedded no less

than 1.0m from the downhill edge of the footing into Extremely Low Strength Rock or better.

This ground material is expected at depths of between ~1.4m to ~2.6m below the current

surface so the total required foundation depth is expected to be in the order of ~2.4m to

~3.6m deep. If hard rock (Medium Strength or better) is encountered at the pier bases

suitable bar can be drilled and grouted 0.6m into the rock to provide lateral support instead

of the proposed 1.0m socket. A maximum allowable bearing pressure of 600kPa can be

assumed for footings embedded in Extremely Low Strength Rock or better.

The very steep slope at the location of the proposed inclined lift be inspected by the

geotechnical consultant after the vegetation has been cleared and the lift foundation

locations have been marked on the slope, but prior to the footing excavations commencing.

This is to determine the most suitable foundation type and the required embedment depths

as the rock quality is known to be variable down this slope.



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As the bearing capacity of weathered rock reduces when it is wet we recommend the footings

be dug, inspected and poured in quick succession (ideally the same day if possible). If the

footings get wet, they will have to be drained and the soft layer of weathered rock on the

footing surface will have to be removed before concrete is poured.

If a rapid turnaround from footing excavation to the concrete pour is not possible a sealing

layer of concrete may be added to the footing surface after it has been cleaned and inspected.

**NOTE**: If the contractor is unsure of the footing material required it is more cost effective to

get the geotechnical professional on site at the start of the footing excavation to advise on

footing depth and material. This mostly prevents unnecessary over excavation in clay like

shaly rock but can be valuable in all types of geology.

16. Ongoing Maintenance

Where slopes are steep and approach or exceed 30°, such as on this site, it is prudent for the

owners to occasionally inspect the slope (say annually or after heavy and prolonged rainfall

events, whichever occurs first). Should any of the following be observed: movement or

cracking in retaining walls, cracking in any structures, cracking or movement in the slope

surface, tilting or movement in established trees, leaking pipes, or newly observed flowing

water, or changes in the erosional process or drainage regime, then a geotechnical consultant

should be engaged to assess the slope. We can carry out these inspections upon request. The

risk assessment in **Section 8** is subject to this ongoing maintenance being carried out.

17. Geotechnical Review

The structural plans are to be checked and certified by the geotechnical engineer as being in

accordance with the geotechnical recommendations. On completion, a Form 2B will be

issued. This form is required for the Construction Certificate to proceed.



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### 18. Inspections

The client and builder are to familiarise themselves with the following required inspections as well as council geotechnical policy. We cannot provide geotechnical certification for the Occupation Certificate if the following inspections have not been carried out during the construction process.

- The very steep slope at the location of the proposed inclined lift be inspected by the geotechnical consultant after the vegetation has been cleared and the lift foundation locations have been marked on the slope, but prior to the footing excavations commencing. This is to determine the most suitable foundation type and the required embedment depths as the rock quality is known to be variable down this slope.
- All footings are to be inspected and approved by the geotechnical consultant while the excavation equipment and contractors are still onsite and before steel reinforcing is placed or concrete is poured.

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Photo 4



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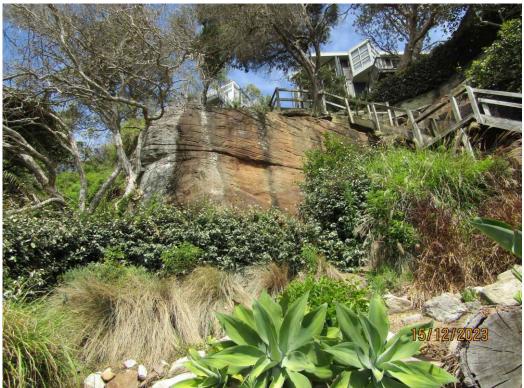


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Photo 6



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Photo 8: AH1 – Downhole is from top to bottom.



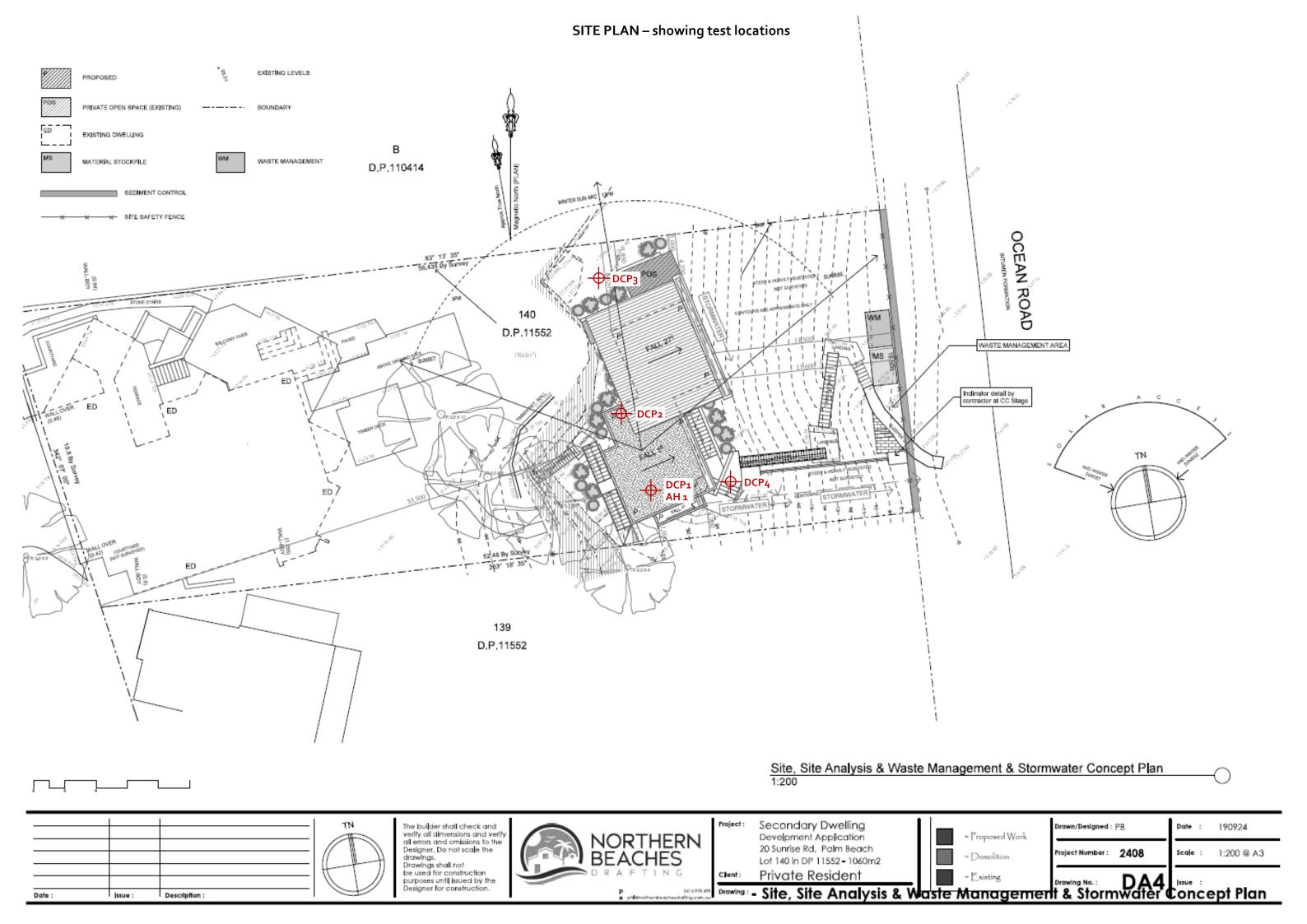
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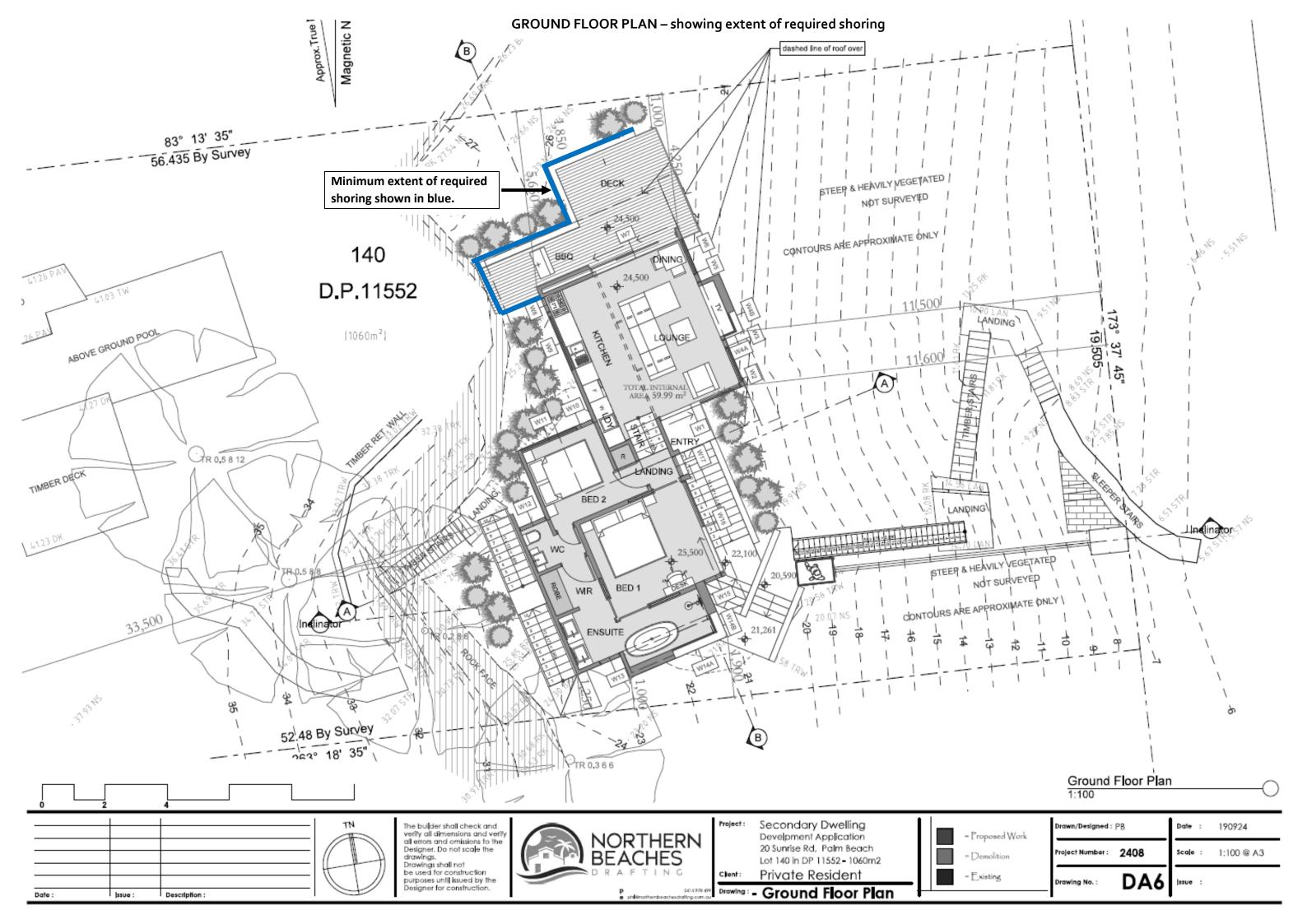
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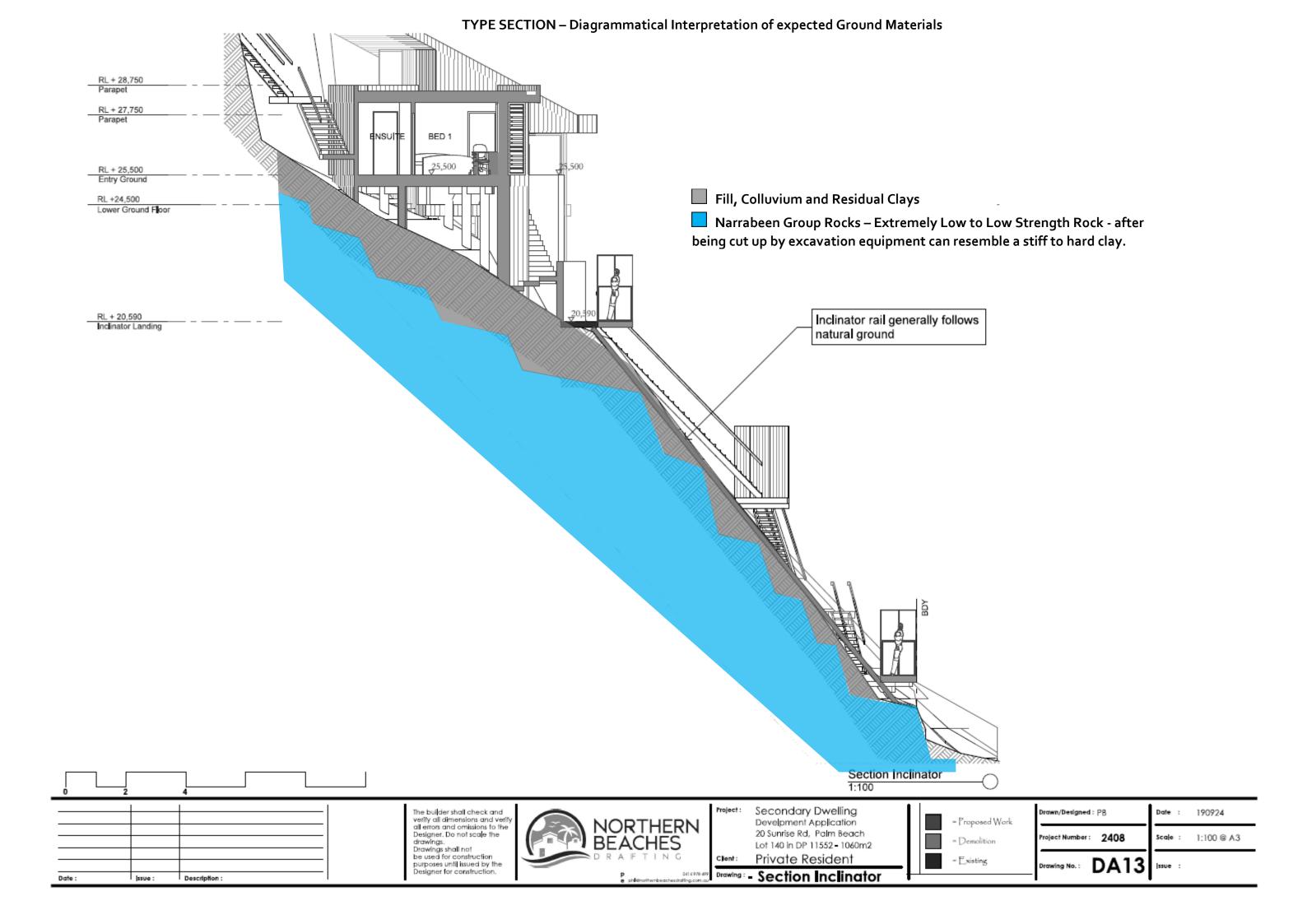
It should be noted that Geotechnical Reports are documents that build a picture of the subsurface conditions from the observation of surface features and testing carried out at specific points on the site. The spacing and location of the test points can be limited by the location of existing structures on the site or by budget and time constraints of the client. Additionally, the test themselves, although chosen for their suitability for the particular project, have their own limiting factors. The testing gives accurate information at the location of the test, within the confines of the test's capability. A geological interpretation or model is developed by joining these test points using all available data and drawing on previous experience of the geotechnical consultant. Even the most experienced practitioners cannot determine every possible feature or change that may lie below the earth. All of the subsurface features can only be known when they are revealed by excavation. As such, a Geotechnical report can be considered an interpretive document. It is based on factual data but also on opinion and judgement that comes with a level of uncertainty. This information is provided to help explain the nature and limitations of your report.

With this in mind, the following points are to be noted:

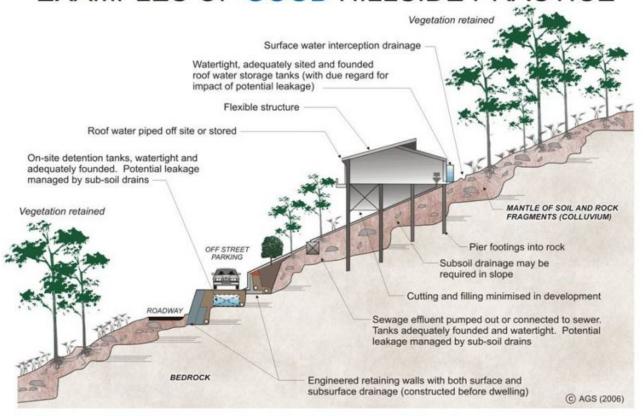
- If upon the commencement of the works the subsurface ground or ground water conditions prove different from those described in this report, it is advisable to contact White Geotechnical Group immediately, as problems relating to the ground works phase of construction are far easier and less costly to overcome if they are addressed early.
- If this report is used by other professionals during the design or construction process, any questions should be directed to White Geotechnical Group as only we understand the full methodology behind the report's conclusions.
- The report addresses issues relating to your specific design and site. If the proposed project design changes, aspects of the report may no longer apply. Contact White Geotechnical if this occurs.
- This report should not be applied to any other project other than that outlined in section 1.0.
- This report is to be read in full and should not have sections removed or included in other documents as this can result in misinterpretation of the data by others.
- It is common for the design and construction process to be adapted as it progresses (sometimes
  to suit the previous experience of the contractors involved). If alternative design and construction
  processes are required to those described in this report, contact White Geotechnical Group. We
  are familiar with a variety of techniques to reduce risk and can advise if your proposed methods
  are suitable for the site conditions.







## EXAMPLES OF GOOD HILLSIDE PRACTICE



## EXAMPLES OF POOR HILLSIDE PRACTICE

