# **APPENDIX D1**

## Geotechnical Investigation Reports

## **GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT**



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Proposed Industrial Development Southeast Corner of Lockheed Way and 8th Street East Palmdale, Los Angeles County, California Apn 3022-026-003

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Subject: Geotechnical Investigation Report for Proposed Industrial Development Southeast Corner of Lockheed Way and 8<sup>th</sup> Street East Palmdale, Los Angeles County, California APN 3022-026-003

Dear Mr. Sarkissian:

Presented herewith is the report of our Geotechnical Investigation Report for the subject project. Our work was performed in accordance with the scope of work outlined in our original proposal dated January 7, 2019.

This report presents the results of our field investigation, laboratory testing and our engineering judgment, opinions, conclusions and recommendations pertaining to the proposed development.

It has been a pleasure to be of service to you on this project. Should you have any questions regarding the contents of this report, or should you require additional information, please contact the undersigned at (661) 273-9078.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### <u>GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT</u> PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOCKHEED WAY AND 8TH STREET EAST PALMDALE, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA APN 3022-026-003

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of our geotechnical investigation performed by Bruin Geotechnical Services, Inc. for the proposed industrial development at the subject site based on discussions and preliminary site plans provided by the client. This report is specific to the proposed development.

The purpose of this investigation was to evaluate the on-site subsurface soil conditions relative to geotechnical engineering characteristics and to provide geotechnical recommendations relative to proposed development.

The scope of the authorized geotechnical investigation included the following tasks:

- Performing a site reconnaissance
- Conducting field subsurface exploration through soil borings and sampling
- Laboratory testing program of selected soil samples
- Performing engineering analyses of the data
- Preparing this Geotechnical Investigation Report

This study also includes a review of published and unpublished literature and geotechnical maps with respect to active and potentially active faults located in proximity to the site which may have impact on the seismic design of the proposed structure.

#### 2.0 SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The subject site, herein after referred to as Site, is located at the southeast corner of 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Lockheed Way in the city of Palmdale, Los Angeles County, California. The rectangular-shaped Site consists of approximately 6.05 acres. At the time of our investigation the site was vacant of structures. The Site vegetation consisted of annual grass, a moderate covering of brush, and occasional Joshua trees. The aforementioned site description is intended to be illustrative and is specifically not intended for use as a legal description of the Site.

The Site is located in an industrial area of Palmdale, bounded by vacant land on the east, south, and west sides. Various residential, industrial, and commercial buildings are in the vicinity of the site including Lockheed Martin's Plant 10 on the northern boundary.

Access to the Site is from 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and Lockheed Way, both of which are paved roads.

Topographically, the Site is relatively flat and level with a general slope to the east. Drainage occurs by sheet flow at an approximate 1-2 percent to the east. The elevation of the Site is approximately 2,596 feet above mean sea level.

The general location of the subject site is shown on Figure 1.

#### 3.0 PROPOSED GRADING AND CONSTRUCTION

Based on our review of the preliminary site plans and discussions, Bruin GSI understands that the structure will be an industrial building with concrete tilt up construction, with conventional concrete continuous and isolated foundations and slab-on-grade floors. No basements are planned. We anticipate maximum structural loads of 2,200 pounds per lineal foot and 30-40 kips for isolated foundations.

Exterior improvements are anticipated to include concrete flatwork, landscape and hardscape areas, and pavement parking and asphalt concrete drive areas. It is anticipated that the drainage will consist of sloped surfaces to drainage swales to an approved area. The proposed structures will be connected to a public sewer system and existing utilities lines from the street.

Due to the Site topography, it appears the proposed earthwork will be minimal, with anticipated maximum slope heights of approximately 1-3 feet to achieve design grades.

#### 4.0 GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION

The geotechnical investigation included a field subsurface exploration program and a laboratory testing program on soil samples collected. These programs were performed in accordance with our proposal for Geotechnical Investigation Report dated January 7, 2019. The scope of work did not include environmental assessment or investigation for the presence or absence of hazardous substances or toxic materials in structures, soil, surface water, groundwater or air, below or around the site. The field subsurface exploration and laboratory testing programs are described below.

#### 4.1 Field Exploration Program

A site reconnaissance was made by our representative prior to instigating the field exploration program. The Site was observed and boundaries roughly located for purposes of underground utility locating. As required by law, Bruin GSI contacted Underground Service Alert (one-call notification service) to attain underground

## **Parcel Profile Report**

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**APN:** 3022-026-003

#### Address: VAC/COR 8TH STE/LOCKHEED WAY PALMDALE CA 93550



Address: VAC/COR 8TH STE/LOCKHEED WAY

City: PALMDALE CA

**Owner:** 

Mailing Address:

Mailing City:

Lot Size Sq Ft: 263717

Lot Size Acres: 6.05

#### **Legal Description:**

RECORD OF SURVEY AS PER BK 65 PG 19 OF R S (EX OF STS) LOT 3



Use Code: 300V

Use Description: Industrial

Tax Rate Area: 07006

**Transfer Date:** 2018-07-18

Last Sale Date:

Last Sale Amount:

#### **Building 1**

Design Type:	Bedrooms:
Quality Class Shape:	Baths:
Year Built:	Bldg Sq Ft:
Units:	Effective Yr:

NOTE: The information and materials contained herein are provided as a public service to provide planning and zoning information for the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County. Parcel information shown on this page is from the Assessor's Office. The County has made every reasonable effort to ensure the accuracy of the information and materials contained within.



utility marking and clearance, a minimum of 72 hours prior to performing the field subsurface investigation.

The field exploration program was initiated on February 7, 2019, under the technical supervision of our engineer. A total of three (3) exploratory borings were drilled using a CME 75 drill rig with 8" hallow stem auger in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical exploration procedures (ASTM D 1452). The borings were advanced to maximum depths of thirty (30) feet below ground surface (bgs). The approximate locations of the borings within the area of the proposed construction were determined by sighting and pacing from existing site improvements, such as streets, and should be only considered accurate to the degree implied by the method used. The borings locations are shown on Figure 2.

Soil samples were obtained at various depth intervals, consisting of relatively undisturbed brass ring samples (Modified California split-spoon sampler) and Standard Penetration Test (SPT) samples driven by a 140-pound hammer falling 30 inches. After seating of the sampler, the number of blows required to drive the sampler one foot was recorded in 6-inch increments, in general accordance with procedures presented in ASTM D 1586.

Bulk samples were also collected at various depths from auger cuttings during drilling and represent a mixture of soils within the noted depths. The soil samples were returned to the laboratory for analysis and testing.

Final boring logs presented in Appendix A are Bruin GSI's interpretation of the field logs prepared by our representative during drilling, as well as laboratory test results. The stratification lines represent approximate boundaries between soil types. The actual soil transitions may be gradual.

#### 4.2 Laboratory Testing

The field boring logs and soil samples were reviewed to assess which samples would be analyzed further. The selected soil samples collected during drilling activities at the Site were then tested in the laboratory to assist in evaluating engineering properties of subsurface materials deemed within structural influence.

The soil samples were classified in accordance with the Unified Soils Classification System and a testing program was established. The samples were tested to determine the following:

• In-situ moisture and dry unit weight determinations were determined in accordance with ASTM D 2937.

Figure 2

# Boring Location Map



- Relative strength characteristics were estimated from results of direct shear tests (ASTM D 3080) performed on in-situ soil samples from the ring sampler and also bulk soil samples remolded to approximately 90 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method.
- Consolidation potential was determined on select soil samples in accordance with ASTM D 2435. The samples were saturated at 2.4 KSF to check hydro-consolidation potential. The maximum load applied was 4.8 KSF. The soil samples were unloaded to 1.2 KSF to check rebound.
- Soil chemical analysis on a soil sample from the site was performed by Anaheim Test Lab, which included pH, resistivity, soluble sulfates and soluble chlorides as well as other chemical contents.

The following additional tests were performed:

•	Identification of soils	ASTM D 2488
•	Expansion Index	ASTM D 4829
•	Maximum density -Optimum moisture	ASTM D 1557
•	Material Finer than the No. 200 Sieve	ASTM D 1140
•	Sand Equivalent Value	ASTM D 2419

Pertinent tabular and graphic test results are presented in Appendix B.

#### 5.0 CONCLUSIONS

The following conclusions for the site are based on the results of the field exploration and laboratory testing programs and represent professional opinions.

#### 5.1 Site and Subsurface Conditions

Native alluvial materials were encountered within all of our exploratory borings. The native materials were noted to be loose to dense and dry to moist. The soil strata encountered consisted of layers of silty sands (SM) and poorly graded sands (SP). The upper five to six feet of soils were found to be relatively loose to medium dense and non-uniform. For more detailed descriptions of the subsurface materials refer to the boring logs in Appendix A.

#### 5.2 Groundwater Conditions

Groundwater was not encountered in any of our exploratory borings, at least to the maximum depth explored (30 feet bgs). Bruin GSI reviewed available reports and electronic data bases to assess historic water level conditions in the vicinity of the Site. Sources reviewed included the historically highest groundwater contours prepared by County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Water Resources

Division electronic database, historically highest groundwater levels in the immediate site vicinity indicate that groundwater level at the site are over 200 feet bgs. Based on this information, groundwater is not a design factor for this project.

#### 5.3 Soil Engineering Properties

Physical tests were performed on the bulk and relatively undisturbed samples to characterize the engineering properties of the native soils.

Moisture content and dry unit weight determinations were performed on samples to evaluate the in-situ unit weights of the different materials. Of the samples analyzed, moisture contents ranged 1-6 percent. In-place dry densities ranged 98 pounds per cubic foot (pcf) to 118 pcf. Moisture content and dry unit weight results are shown on the boring logs in Appendix A.

The expansion index tests (ASTM D 4829) indicate that the surficial soils are within the "very low" expansion category.

Consolidation test results reveal that some samples tested in the upper five to six (5-6) feet of soil has a moderate to high potential to hydro-consolidate.

#### 6.0 REGIONAL GEOLOGY AND SEISMIC HAZARDS

The project site is located in a seismically active area typical of Southern California and likely to be subjected to a strong ground shaking due to earthquakes on nearby faults.

The San Andreas Fault zone is the largest active fault rift zone, which is several miles wide, and passes through the Antelope Valley south of the subject site, extending from the Gulf of Mexico through the western portion of the State of California to a point at Cape Mendocino in northern California. The San Andreas Fault is predicted to have an event every 100-200 years based on geologic records. The San Andreas Fault has had two major eruptions in the last 150 years: 1) in the Southern California area in 1857, and 2) in San Francisco in 1906. In each event, approximately 320 kilometers of surface rupture has taken place, as well as a horizontal displacement of approximately 9 meters. Additional faulting has occurred adjacent to the San Andreas Fault causing numerous events of various magnitudes throughout the length of the San Andreas Fault.

The project site is located north of an area in which active seismic occurrences are recorded on a yearly basis. Seismic studies conducted show a major break along the San Andreas Fault could be responsible for an event of approximately 8.4 on the Richter scale. A seismic event of this magnitude could cause bedrock accelerations as large as 0.5g. Events of this magnitude are anticipated to occur approximately every 150 years. The last occurrence of this magnitude was in 1857.

No known active faults have been mapped across the subject site. The potential hazards due to active fault ground rupture are considered minimal. According to current publications by the State of California, the project site is not located within the Alquist-Priolo special studies zone.

#### 6.1 IBC Design Parameters

The following coefficients have been estimated in accordance with the requirements of the 2016 CBC, utilizing the Structural Engineers Association of California and California's Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development Seismic Design Maps Application:

#### https://seismicmaps.org/

The following seismic parameters are provided, based on the approximate latitude and longitude at the southwest corner of the subject site:

Latitude	34.6079°
Longitude	-118.1164°

1.935g	0.2(sec)
0.921g	1.0(sec)
1.291g	0.2(sec)
0.921g	1.0(sec)
1.0	
1.5	
1.936g	
0.382g	
	1.935g 0.921g 1.291g 0.921g 1.0 1.5 1.936g 0.382g

Site Classification (2013 CBC, further defined in IBC-2015, Chapter 20) = D

The actual method of seismic design should be determined by the Structural Engineer.

Refer to Appendix C for the Design Maps Summary Report provided by the Structural Engineers Association of California and California's Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development website.

#### 6.2 Liquefaction Potential

Liquefaction is a seismic phenomenon in which loose, saturated, granular (noncohesive) soils react as a fluid when subject to high-intensity ground shaking. Research and historical data indicate loose granular soils with a specific range of grain size distribution, saturated by a relatively shallow groundwater table are most susceptible to liquefaction.

The effects of liquefaction on level ground include settlement, sand boils and bearing capacity failures below structures.

In view of the relatively firm silty sand and poorly graded sand with occasional sandy silt encountered in the borings, relative densities, and depth to static groundwater (over 200 feet), it id Bruin GSI's opinion that the potential for on-site liquefaction or seismically induced dynamic settlement should be negligible. Based on our review of the Seismic Hazards Map, Lancaster West Quadrangle, the Site is not located in an area requiring a liquefaction analysis.

#### 6.2.1 Other Liquefaction Associated Hazards

Potential hazards associated with liquefaction include lateral spreading and slow slides, foundation bearing failure, and ground surface settlement. Considering the upper 50 feet of the native soils are not likely to liquefy, these hazards are not considered to be design factors for this project.

#### 6.3 Other Secondary Seismic Hazards

Seismic hazards relative to earthquakes include landslides, ground lurching, tsunamis, seiches and seismic-induced settlement. As site topography is relatively flat, hazards from landslides are considered negligible. Ground lurching is generally associated with fault rupture and liquefaction. As these hazards are considered unlikely, it is Bruin GSI's opinion that the potential for ground lurching is low. Tsunami hazards are considered nonexistent due to the site location.

#### 6.4 Soil Settlement

Differential soil settlement occurs when supporting soils are not uniform in density or classification and seismic shaking causes one type of soil to settle more than the other. When unaccounted for in design, such settlement can result in damage to structures, pavement and subsurface utilities. Soils with potential for hydroconsolidation can also cause differential settlement under loading conditions and the induction of moisture. Re-compaction of the upper site soils is intended to remedy most potentials of settlement due to structures supported on native soils with non-uniform densities, soil classifications and hydro-consolidation.

Settlement of structures founded on compacted fill will be relatively small, less than 1". Differential settlement is anticipated to be on the order of 50 percent of the total settlement in a thirty-foot span. Most settlement should take place during construction.

#### 6.5 Erosion

The subject site drainage occurs by minor sheet flow and erosion could occur. Appropriate analysis, grading and drainage design and site maintenance should minimize the sheet flow erosion potential.

#### 7.0 111 STATEMENT

Subsequent to compliance with the recommendations provided in this report and based on the site reconnaissance, subsurface exploration, and laboratory analysis, it is our opinion the proposed structures will be safe from hazards associated with faulting, landslides, slippage, and settlement. The proposed development will not adversely impact the existing geologic stability of adjacent sites.

#### 8.0 EFFECT OF PROPOSED GRADING ON ADJACENT PROPERTIES

It is our opinion that the proposed grading and construction will not adversely affect the stability of adjoining properties provided that grading and construction are performed in compliance with the recommendations presented herein.

#### 9.0 OPINIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

Based upon the results of our investigation, the proposed development is considered feasible from a geotechnical standpoint provided the recommendations presented herein are incorporated into the design and construction. If changes in the design of the structure are made or variations of changed conditions are encountered during construction, Bruin GSI should be contacted to evaluate their effects on these recommendations.

As mentioned in Section 5.3, the upper five to six feet of native soil were found to be nonuniform with some areas of the site soils subject to hydro-consolidation. Based on the laboratory testing and subsurface data obtained, it is Bruin GSI's opinion that the upper site soils will not provide a uniform soil support system without remediation through recompaction. In order to provide a more uniform soil support system and minimize the potential for differential settlement, the proposed structures should be supported by a recompacted fill mat.

Provide the recommendations in this report are incorporated into the design and construction, it is Bruin GSI's opinion that conventional shallow (continuous and isolated) foundations may be designed to support the proposed structures. Refer to Section 11.2 for details and soil values regarding foundation design.

#### **10.0 GEOTECHNICAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

The following geotechnical engineering recommendations for the proposed development are based on observations from the field investigation program and the laboratory test results and our experience with sites of similar conditions.

The local Department of Building and Safety should be contacted prior to start of construction to assure the project is properly permitted and inspected during construction. Any grading performed at the site shall be incompliance with the recommendations provided in this report, the local building code and the Earthwork and Grading Specifications for Rough Grading presented in Appendix D.

Field observations and testing during rough-grading operations should be provided by Bruin GSI so a decision can be formed regarding the adequacy of the site preparation, the acceptability of fill materials, and the extent to which the earthwork construction and the degree of compaction comply with the project geotechnical specifications. Any work related to grading performed without the full knowledge of, and under the supervision of the Geotechnical Consultant, may render the recommendations of this report invalid.

#### 10.1 Earthwork

Prior to any grading, the site should be cleared and grubbed of all vegetation. All artificial fill, pavements, vegetation, trash, debris and abandoned underground utilities shall be removed from the area to be graded and should not be incorporated into engineered fill.

Any depressions resulting from removals during grubbing process (trees etc.) shall be observed by the Geotechnical Consultant. Depressions requiring backfill within structural areas will require placement of engineered fill, observed and tested by the Geotechnical Consultant.

It is our professional opinion that the grading of the site can be performed with conventional earth-moving equipment.

#### **10.2** Remedial Grading for Building Pads and Retaining Walls

To provide a more uniform bearing for the proposed structure foundations, slab-ongrade and structural retaining walls and, subsequent to clearing and grubbing of the area to graded, the existing native soils shall be <u>excavated to a depth of sixty (60)</u> <u>inches below existing grade or finish grade, whichever is lower.</u> The excavation shall extend a minimum of five (5) feet beyond the limits of the proposed foundations, where obtainable. The bottom of the excavation shall be a level elevation.

The Geotechnical Consultant shall inspect the resulting surfaces prior to scarification and fill placement. A minimum of thirty-six (36) inches of compacted fill is required beneath the proposed foundations.

Subsequent to approval of the resulting surface by the Geotechnical Consultant, the resulting soil surface shall be scarified (ripped) an additional twelve (12) inches, properly moisture conditioned or aerated to near optimum moisture content, and mechanically compacted with vibratory compaction equipment to 90% relative compaction as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method. **Compaction shall be verified by testing.** 

#### 10.3 Remedial Grading for Flexible (Asphalt-Concrete) and Rigid (PCC) Pavement

Subsequent to clearing and grubbing the area to be graded, the existing native soils shall be excavated twelve (12) inches below existing grade or finish grade, whichever is lower. The exposed surface shall be scarified (ripped) an additional twelve (12) inches. The excavation shall extend a minimum of three (3) feet beyond the limits of the proposed pavement, where obtainable. The Geotechnical Consultant shall inspect the resulting surfaces prior to fill placement.

Subsequent to approval of the resulting surface by the Geotechnical Consultant, the resulting soil surface shall be properly moisture conditioned or aerated to near optimum moisture content, and mechanically compacted with vibratory compaction equipment to 90% relative compaction (95% relative compaction beneath proposed PCC pavement in the upper twelve inches) as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method. **Compaction shall be verified by testing**.

# 10.4 Remedial Grading and Exterior Non-Traffic Bearing Concrete Flatwork (Sidewalks, Patios, Walkways, etc.)

Subsequent to clearing and grubbing the area to be graded, the existing native soils shall be excavated six (6) inches below existing grade or finish grade, whichever is lower. The exposed surface shall be scarified (ripped) an additional twelve (12)

inches. The excavation shall extend a minimum of two (2) feet beyond the limits of the proposed flatwork, were obtainable. The Geotechnical Consultant shall inspect the resulting surfaces prior to fill placement.

Subsequent to approval of the resulting surface by the Geotechnical Consultant, the resulting soil surface shall be properly moisture conditioned or aerated to near optimum moisture content, and mechanically compacted with mechanical compaction equipment to 90% relative compaction as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method. **Compaction shall be verified by testing**.

#### **10.5** Fill Placement and Compaction Requirements

The excavated native soils may be used as engineered fill to backfill the excavation. Materials for engineered fill should be free of organic material, debris, and other deleterious substances, and should not contain rocks greater than 6 inches in maximum dimension.

All native soil shall be moisture conditioned or air dried as necessary to achieve near optimum moisture condition, placed in lifts (eight to ten inches, measured loose) and then compacted in place by mechanical compaction equipment to a minimum relative compaction of 90 percent (95% beneath PCC pavement) as determined in accordance with Test Method ASTM D 1557.

All import soil fill (meeting the requirements of Section 10.8) should be placed in 8inch-thick maximum lifts measured loose, moisture conditioned or air dried as necessary to near optimum moisture condition, and then compacted in place to a minimum relative compaction of 90 percent (95% beneath PCC pavement) as determined in accordance with Test Method ASTM D 1557.

A representative of the project consultant should be present on-site during grading operations to verify proper placement and compaction of all fill, as well as to verify compliance with the other geotechnical recommendations presented herein.

#### **10.6** Native Soil Shrinkage

A shrinkage factor of the upper site soils is estimated twelve to seventeen (12-17) percent. This estimate is based on the limited data collected from the subsurface exploration and laboratory test data with an average degree of compaction of 92 percent and may vary depending on contractor methods.

During compaction, an additional one-half of an inch (1/2'') subsidence of the underlying soil is estimated. Losses from site clearing and grubbing operations mat

effect quantity calculations and should be taken into account. Actual shrinkage of the soil may vary.

We recommend monitoring the rough grading excavations by survey with comparison to grading contractor earthwork yardage estimates to determine a closer estimate of actual shrinkage so adjustments (if necessary) may be made during grading.

#### **10.7** Fill Slope Construction and Stability

Provided all material is properly compacted as recommended, fill slopes may be constructed at a 2:1 (horizontal to vertical) gradient or flatter. Permanent cut slopes may be constructed at 2:1 or flatter. Fill slopes constructed as recommended at a slope ratio not exceeding 2:1 (horizontal: vertical), are expected to be both grossly and surficially stable and are expected to remain so under normal conditions.

Proper drainage should be planned so water is not allowed to flow over the tops of slopes. The slopes should be planted as soon as possible to minimize erosion and maintenance.

If slopes are planned steeper than 2:1, the Geotechnical Consultant shall be notified for slope stability determinations.

#### 10.8 Imported Soils

If imported soils are required to complete the planned grading, these soils shall be free of organic matter and deleterious substances, meeting the following criteria:

- 100% passing a 2-inch sieve
- 60% to 100% passing the #4 sieve
- no more than 20% passing a #200 sieve
- expansion index less than 20
- liquid limit less than 35
- plasticity index less than 12
- R-value greater than 40
- Low corrosion potential
  - Soluble Sulfates less than 1,500 ppm
  - o Soluble Chlorides less than 150 ppm
  - Minimum Resistivity greater than 8,000 ohm-cm

Prospective import soils should be observed, tested and pre-approved by this firm prior to importing the soils to the site. Final approval of the import soil will be given once the material is on site either in place or adequate quantities to finish the grading.

#### **10.9 Grading Observations and Testing**

The grading of the site shall be observed and tested by the Geotechnical Consultant to verify compliance with the recommendations. Any grading performed without full knowledge of the Geotechnical Consultant may render the recommendations of this report invalid.

#### 11.0 POST-GRADING AND DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

#### 11.1 Pad Drainage

A surface drainage system consisting of a combination of sloped concrete flatwork, swales and sheet flow gradients in landscape areas, and roof gutters and downspouts should be designed for the site. The roof gutters and downspouts should also be tied directly into the proposed area drain system. Drainage from structures should be designed at minimum 2% gradient to approved areas. The purpose of this drainage system will be to reduce water infiltration into the subgrade soils and to direct surface waters away from building foundations, walls and slope areas.

Concrete flatwork surfaces and paved sloped surfaces should be inclined at a minimum gradient of 1 percent away from the building foundations and similar structures. A minimum 12-inch-high berm should be maintained along the top of the descending slope to prevent any water from flowing over the slope.

The owner is advised that all irrigation and drainage devices should be properly maintained throughout the lifetime of the development.

#### **11.2** Foundation Design Recommendations

The proposed structure shall be constructed on a conventional concrete foundation system. Provided the recommendations in this report are incorporated into site development, foundation for load bearing walls and interior columns constructed on compacted certified fill may be designed as follows:

#### 11.2.1 Allowable Bearing Capacity

<u>Continuous Foundations Design Values</u>: An allowable "net" bearing capacity of 1,800 psf. can be utilized for dead and sustained live loads. This value includes a minimum safety factor of three, and may be increased by 1/3 for total loads, including seismic forces.

Continuous foundations should be embedded a minimum of twenty-four inches below lowest adjacent soil elevation and a minimum of fifteen inches in width. Reinforcement shall consist of a minimum of two #4 bars, one top and one bottom. Actual depth, width, and reinforcement requirements for continuous foundations will be dependent on the Expansion Index of the bearing soils, applicable sections of the governing building code and requirements of the structural engineer.

The allowable bearing capacity for continuous foundations may be increased by 200 psf. for each additional six inches of foundation depth and 200 psf. for each additional one foot of foundation width. The allowable bearing capacity should not exceed 3,500 psf. for continuous foundations to keep estimated settlements within allowable limits.

<u>Isolated Pad (Column or Pier) Foundations Design Values:</u> An allowable "net" bearing capacity of 1,800 psf. can be utilized for dead and sustained live loads. This value includes a minimum safety factor of three, and may be increased by 1/3 for total loads, including seismic forces.

Isolated foundations should be a minimum of twenty-four inches square and embedded a minimum of twenty-four inches below lowest adjacent soil elevation. Actual depth, width, and reinforcement requirements for continuous foundations will be dependent on the Expansion Index of the bearing soil, applicable sections of the governing building code and requirements of the structural engineer.

The allowable bearing capacity for isolated foundations may be increased by 200 psf. for each additional six inches of foundation depth and 200 psf. for each additional one foot of foundation width. The allowable bearing capacity should not exceed 2,500 psf. for isolated foundations to keep estimated settlements within allowable limits.

#### 11.2.2 Lateral Load Resistance

Lateral load resistance for the spread footings will be developed by passive soil pressure against sides of footings below grade and by friction acting at the base of the concrete footings bearing on compacted fill. An allowable passive pressure of 300 Z PSF, where Z = Depth (in feet) below finish grade.

In passive pressure calculations, the upper one foot of soil should be subtracted from the depth, Z, unless confined by pavement or slab. An appropriate safety factor should be used for design calculations.

Friction along the foundation base may provide resistance to lateral loading. The coefficient of friction was estimated to be 0.32 for site soils compacted to 90% of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method, and may be used for dead load forces and includes a reduction factor of 1/3.

For design of building foundations, passive resistance may be combined with frictional resistance provided that a one-third reduction in the coefficient of friction is used.

#### **11.2.3 Footing Reinforcement**

Reinforcement for footings should be designed by the structural engineer based on the anticipated loading conditions and expansion index of the supporting soil. Preliminary expansion index for the native soil is categorized as "very low" as determined by ASTM D 4829. Footings should be reinforced with a minimum of two No. 4 bars, one top and one bottom.

#### **11.2.4 Footing Observations**

All footing trenches should be observed by a representative of the project geotechnical consultant to verify that they have been excavated into competent soils prior to placement of forms, reinforcement or concrete. The excavations should be trimmed neat, level and square. All loose, sloughed or moisture-softened soils and/or any construction debris should be removed prior to placing of concrete. **Excavated soils derived from footing and/or utility trenches should not be placed in building slab-on-grade areas or exterior concrete flatwork areas unless the soils are compacted to at least 90 percent of maximum dry density.** 

#### **11.2.5** Foundation Setbacks

Footings of structures (including retaining walls) located above a slope having a total height of 10 feet or less should have a minimum setback of 5 feet, measured from the outside edge of the footing bottom along a horizontal line to the face of the slope. For footings above slopes having a total height greater than 10 feet, the setback should be, at minimum, equal to one third of the total height of the slope but need not exceed 40 feet. Refer to the IBC Table 1805.3.1.

#### 11.3 RETAINING WALLS AND STRUCTURES BELOW GRADE

The project may include shallow retaining walls or walls below grade (i.e. loading docks, light standards, flagpoles or similar structures supporting soil materials. These walls are anticipated to be shallow (i.e., approximately 10 feet or less in height). Design lateral earth pressures, backfill criteria, and drainage recommendations for walls below grade are presented.

#### **11.3.1** Lateral Earth Pressures

	Driving Earth Pressure*	Resisting Earth Pressure*
Well-drained soil	45	300***
Well-drained soil (2:1 backfill)	68	
At-rest (restrained wall)	65**	

\*Equivalent fluid pressure (PSF) per foot of soil height

\*\*For design purposes, a wall is considered restrained if it prevented from movement greater than 0.002H (H= height of wall in feet) at the top of the wall.

\*\*\*The upper one foot of soil should be subtracted from the depth, Z, unless confined by pavement or slab. This is an ultimate value.

Note: The pressures recommended above are based on the assumption that the backfill will be compacted to 90% of the maximum dry density. The use of select may lower the recommended driving earth pressure. The revisiting pressure provided is an ultimate value. An appropriate factor of safety is recommended.

Friction acting along the base of the foundation may provide resistance to lateral loading. The coefficient of friction is estimated to be 0.32 for native soils compacted to 90% of the maximum dry density, and may be used with dead loads. This value may be increase by 1/3 for total loads, including seismic forces. Frictional and passive resistance may be combined without reduction.

The above values are for retaining walls that have been supplied with a proper subdrain system. All walls should be designed to support any adjacent structural surcharge loads imposed by other nearby walls, footings or vehicular traffic within a distance approximately equal to the height of the wall.

Retaining walls over six feet in height may need to be designed for a seismic load force that is applied to the static forces when the seismic shaking occurs. The geotechnical consultant should be contacted for retaining walls over six feet in height

#### 11.3.2 Wall Backfill

Backfill behind shallow retaining walls or walls below grade should consist of non-expansive granular materials. Wall backfill should not contain organic material, rubble, debris, and rocks or cemented fragments larger than 3 inches in greatest dimension. In the case where no shoring was used, the granular backfill should extend outward from the base of the wall to ground surface at a 1:1 (horizontal: vertical) slope. The geotechnical consultant should be allowed the opportunity to sample and test and comment about the adequacy of the proposed imported backfill material once adequate quantities to complete the project are on site.

Backfill should be placed in lifts not exceeding 8 to 10 inches in thickness measured loose, moisture conditioned to above optimum moisture content and mechanically compacted with hand-operated equipment to minimum 90 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D 1557. Walls below grade that are not free to deflect should be properly braced prior to placement and compaction of backfill. **Compaction should be verified by testing.** 

#### 11.3.3 Drainage and Waterproofing

It is recommended that waterproofing be provided behind the retaining walls to help reduce efflorescent formation.

Walls designed for drained earth pressures shall have adequate drainage provided behind the walls. Subdrains or weep holes at the base of the walls shall be incorporated into design. Wall backdrains shall be designed by a registered Civil Engineer.

#### 12.0 CORROSION AND CHEMICAL ATTACK

Soluble sulfate, pH, resistivity and chloride concentration test results are presented in Appendix B. The Resistivity (CTM 643) test results on a bulk soil sample from the site indicated that on-site soils are not corrosive when in contact with ferrous material (16,000 ohm-cm).

Corrosion test results also indicate that the surficial soils at the site have negligible sulfate attack potential (22 ppm) on concrete, according to the ACI 318 Table 4.3.1. Type II cement should be used in all concrete that may be in contact with the on-site soils.

Based on the preliminary chemical analysis performed on a sample of the native soil, foundation concrete shall consist of type II cement with a minimum compressive strength of 2,500 psi as indicated in the ACI 318 Table 4.3.1. A higher compressive strength may be required by the structural engineer. Additional soil chemical analysis during grading is recommended. The minimum concrete compressive strength should be determined by the structural engineer.

The chemical test results should be distributed to the project design team for their interpretations pertaining to the corrosivity or reactivity of the construction materials (ferrous metals, and piping). Chemical test results performed on a bulk soil sample obtained during the field investigation are presented in Appendix C.

#### 13.0 EXCAVATIONS

It is Bruin GSI's opinion that standard construction techniques should be sufficient for site excavations. All excavations should be made in accordance with applicable regulations, including CAL/OSHA for and OSHA type "C" soil. Project safety is the contractor's responsibility and the owner. Bruin GSI will not be responsible for project safety.

The attention of contractors, particularly the underground contractors, should be drawn to the State of California Construction Safety Orders for "Excavations, Trenches, and Earthwork." Trenches or excavations greater than five (5) feet in depth should be shored or sloped back in accordance with OSHA Regulations prior to entry.

Open excavations, unshored or unsurcharged (above the groundwater level) may be cut vertically to a maximum depth of no more than five feet. Excavations higher than five feet should be sloped back at a minimum 1.5:1 (horizontal to vertical) slope or flatter or shored. Sloughing will occur if the soil is dry or dries our while open. No excavation should be made within a 1:1 line projected outward from the toe of any existing foundation or structure.

No heavy equipment or other surcharge loads (i.e. excavation spoils) should be allowed within the top of slope a distance equal to the depth of the excavation, both measured from the top of the excavation.

Soil backfill around foundations or behind walls below grade should be placed in lifts not exceeding eight to ten inches, measured loose, moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content and uniformly mechanically compacted to minimum 90% relative compaction as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method. Flooding or jetting is not recommended.

#### 14.0 UTILITY TRENCHES AND BACKFILL

Standard construction techniques should be sufficient for site utility trench excavations. Utility trenches often settle even when backfill is placed under optimum conditions.

Trench backfill shall be moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content, placed in lifts not exceeding eight to ten inches, measured loose, and uniformly compacted to minimum 90% of the maximum dry density with mechanical compaction equipment. **No flooding or jetting is not recommended.** 

Backfill of public utilities within road right-of-ways or on the subject site should be placed in strict conformance with the requirements of the governing agency. As a minimum it is recommended that utility trench backfill should be moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content, placed in lifts not exceeding eight to ten inches, measured loose, (depending on means of compaction) and uniformly compacted to minimum 90% of the maximum dry density with mechanical compaction equipment. If aggregate base is used for backfill material, it should be moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content, placed in eight to ten inch lifts, measured loose, and uniformly compacted to minimum 95% of the maximum dry density using mechanical compaction equipment. **Compaction should be verified by testing.** 

For purposes of this section of the report, "bedding" is defined as material placed in a trench up to one (1) foot above a utility pipe, and "backfill" is all material placed in the trench above the bedding. Unless concrete bedding is required around utility pipes, freedraining sand should be used as bedding. Sand proposed for use as bedding should be tested in our laboratory to verify its suitability and measure its compaction characteristics. Sand bedding should be compacted by mechanical means to achieve at least 90% relative compaction based on ASTM D 1557.

Backfill operations should be observed and tested by the Geotechnical Consultant to monitor compliance with these recommendations.

Where utility trenches enter the footprint of the building, trenches should be backfilled through their entire depths with on-site fill materials, sand-cement slurry, or concrete rather than with any sand or gravel shading. This "Plug" of less- or non-permeable materials will mitigate the potential for water to migrate though the backfilled trenches from outside of the building to the areas beneath the foundations and floor slabs.

The backfill soil should be moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content, placed in lifts not exceeding eight to ten inches, measured loose, (depending on means of compaction) and uniformly compacted to minimum 90% of the maximum dry density with mechanical compaction equipment.

#### 15.0 INTERIOR CONCRETE SLAB-ON-GRADE

It should be understood that as a manufactured product, concrete will crack even under ideal conditions. It is our experience that shrinkage is more pronounced in the Antelope valley due to environmental conditions (high winds, daily extreme temperature differences and low humidity. Appropriate mix designs, placement procedures and concrete curing methods should be planned and implemented during construction in order to reduce the occurrence and magnitude of concrete shrinkage cracking.

Interior slab-on-grade construction should be supported by six feet of compacted soil, prepared as recommended in Section 10.2 of this report.

#### 15.1 Vapor Barrier and Water Proofing

It is recommended that a vapor retarded/waterproofing be placed below the concrete slab on grade. Vapor/moisture transmission through slabs does occur and can impact various components of the structure.

Vapor retarded/waterproofing designing and inspection of installation is not the responsibility of the geotechnical engineer (most often the responsibility of the architect). Bruin Geotechnical Services, Inc. does not practice in the field of water and moisture vapor transmission evaluation/mitigation. Therefore, we recommend that a qualified person/firm be engaged/consulted to evaluate the general and specific water and moisture vapor transmission paths and any impact on the proposed development. This person/firm should provide recommendations for mitigation of potential adverse impact of water and moisture vapor transmission on various components of the structure ad deemed necessary. The actual waterproofing design shall be provided by the architect, structural engineer or contractor with experience in waterproofing.

In order to promote good building practices and alert the rest of the design/construction team of the appropriate standards and expect recommendations pertaining to vapor barriers/retarders, engineers (especially those aware of the issues surrounding blow-slab moisture protection and its effect on the success of their projects) should consider recommending and citing specific performance characteristics. The following paragraph includes criteria from the latest standards and expert recommendations and should be considered for use in your firm's own recommendations:

Vapor barrier shall consist of a minimum 15 mil extruded polyolefin plastic (no recycled content of woven materials permitted). Permeance as tested before and after mandatory conditions (ASTM E 17455 Section 7.1 and Sub-Paragraph 7.1.1-7.1.5): less than 0.01 perms [grains/(ft<sup>2</sup>-hr-inHg)] and comply with the ASTM E1745 Class A requirements. Install vapor barrier according to ASTM E1643, including proper perimeter seal. Basis of design: Stego Wrap Vapor Barrier 15 mil and Stego Crete Claw Tape (perimeter seal tape). Approved Alternatives: Vaporguard by Reef Industries, Sundance 15 mil Vapor Barrier by Sundance Inc.

The vapor barrier shall be covered with 2 inches of clean sand to aid in curing and prevent puncture. The sand shall be moistened prior to concrete placement.

#### 15.2 Thickness and Joint Spacing

Concrete slab-on-grade should be at least 5 inches thick and provided with frequent construction joints or expansion joints. The slab-on-grade should have a minimum compressive strength of 2,500 psi at 28 days. More stringent requirements may be required by the structural engineer. If forklifts or heavy trucks are anticipated, the slab thickness should be minimum of 6".

#### 15.3 Reinforcement

Reinforcement of the slab-on-grade is contingent on the structural engineer's recommendations and the Expansion Index of the supporting soil. As a minimum, reinforcement should consist of No. 3 bars spaced 18 inches on center, both ways. The reinforcement should be positioned near the middle of the slabs by means of concrete chairs or brick. Additional reinforcement may be required by the structural engineer

#### 15.4 Subgrade Preparation

As further measure to minimize cracking of concrete flatwork, the subgrade soils and all utility line trenches below concrete slab-on-grade areas should first be compacted to a minimum relative compaction of **90 percent** and then thoroughly moistened to achieve a moisture content that is near optimum moisture content. **A**  representative of the project geotechnical consultant should observe and verify the density and moisture content of the soils, and the depth or moisture penetration prior to pouring concrete.

#### 16.0 EXTERIOR CONCRETE FLATWORK (PATIOS, WALKWAYS, SIDEWALKS, etc.)

It should be understood that as a manufactured product, concrete will crack even under ideal conditions. It is our experience that shrinkage is more pronounced in the Antelope valley due to environmental conditions (high winds, daily extreme temperature differences and low humidity. Appropriate mix designs, placement procedures and concrete curing methods should be planned and implemented during construction in order to reduce the occurrence and magnitude of concrete shrinkage cracking.

Exterior slab-on-grade construction should be supported by at least 18 inches of compacted soil, prepared as recommended in Section 10.4 of this report. At locations where slabs cross trenches, observation and testing of trench backfill should be performed to confirm uniformity of conditions.

#### 16.1 Thickness and Joint Spacing

To reduce the potential of unsightly cracking, concrete sidewalks, patio-type slabs should be at least 4 inches thick and provided with frequent construction joints or expansion joints, especially at area of re-entrant corners, to help control cracking. Exterior perimeter slabs should be designed relatively independent of the foundation stems (free-floating) to help cracking due to settlement and /or expansion.

#### 16.2 Reinforcement

Reinforcement of the exterior slab-on-grade is contingent on the structural engineer's recommendations and the Expansion Index of the supporting soil. As a minimum, reinforcement should consist of No. 3 bars spaced 24 inches on center, both ways. The reinforcement should be positioned near the middle of the slabs by means of concrete chairs or brick. Additional reinforcement may be required by the structural engineer.

#### 16.3 Subgrade Preparation

As further measure to minimize cracking of concrete flatwork, the subgrade soils below concrete flatwork areas should first be compacted to a minimum relative compaction of 90 percent and then thoroughly moistened to achieve a moisture content that is near optimum moisture content. Pre-wetting of the soils to a depth of six inches a maximum of 24 hours prior to concrete placement will promote uniform curing of the concrete and minimize the development of shrinkage cracks. A representative of the project geotechnical consultant should observe and verify the density and moisture content of the soils, and the depth or moisture penetration a maximum of 24 hours prior to pouring concrete.

#### 17.0 RIGID (PCC) PAVEMENT

It should be understood that as a manufactured product, concrete will crack even under ideal conditions. It is our experience that shrinkage is more pronounced in the Antelope Valley due to environmental conditions (high winds, daily extreme temperature differences and low humidity. Appropriate mix designs, placement procedures and concrete curing methods should be planned and implemented during construction in order to reduce the occurrence and magnitude of concrete shrinkage cracking.

Exterior slab-on-grade construction should be supported by at least 24 inches of compacted soil, prepared as recommended in Section 10.3 of this report. At locations where slabs cross trenches, observation and testing of trench backfill should be performed to confirm uniformity of conditions.

#### 17.1 Thickness and Joint Spacing

To reduce the potential of unsightly cracking, rigid concrete pavement should be at least five (5) inches thick (six inches thick in heavy truck areas) and provided with frequent construction joints or expansion joints, especially at area of re-entrant corners, to help control cracking. Perimeter pavement should be designed relatively independent of the foundation stems (free-floating) to help cracking due to settlement and /or expansion

#### 17.2 Reinforcement

Reinforcement of the exterior pavement is contingent on the structural engineer's recommendations and the Expansion Index of the supporting soil. As a minimum, reinforcement should consist of No. 3 bars spaced 24 inches on center, both ways. The reinforcement should be positioned near the middle of the slabs by means of concrete chairs or brick. Additional reinforcement may be required by the structural engineer.

#### 17.3 Subgrade Preparation

As further measure to minimize cracking of concrete flatwork, the upper twelve inches of subgrade soils below concrete flatwork areas should first be compacted to a minimum relative compaction of 95 percent and then thoroughly moistened to achieve a moisture content that is near optimum moisture content. Pre-wetting of the soils to a depth of six inches a maximum of 24 hours prior to concrete placement will promote uniform curing of the concrete and minimize the development of shrinkage cracks. A representative of the project geotechnical consultant should observe and verify the density and moisture content of the soils, and the depth or moisture penetration a maximum of 24 hours prior to pouring concrete.

#### **18.0 PRELIMINARY FLEXIBLE PAVEMENT DESIGN**

Asphalt-concrete pavements shall be designed per the Caltrans Highway Design Manual based on R-Value and Traffic Index. An R-value of the native soil of 34 was utilized for the preliminary structural pavement section. During grading as soils are mixed, soil samples should be obtained and tested for R-Value determination.

For pavement design, the <u>preliminary</u> flexible pavement layer thickness is as follows:

Pavement Material	Recommended Thickness (TI = 6.0) On-site Parking
Asphalt Concrete	3 1⁄2"
Class II Aggregate Base (R=78)	9″
Compacted Subgrade	24″

#### **RECOMMENDED ASPHALT PAVEMENT SECTION LAYER THICKNESS**

Asphalt concrete should conform to Sections 203 and 302 of the latest edition of the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction ("Greenbook").

Class II aggregate base should conform to Section 26 of the Caltrans Standard Specifications, latest edition. The sub-base should have a minimum R-value of 50. The aggregate base and sub-base material should be compacted to at least 95 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM Method D 1557.

#### **19.0 CONSTRUCTION CONSIDERATIONS**

Based on our field exploration program, earthwork can be performed with conventional construction equipment.

#### **19.1** Temporary Dewatering

Groundwater was not encountered in any of our borings to the maximum depth of our explorations. Based on the anticipated excavation depths, the need for temporary dewatering is considered low.

#### **19.2** Construction Slopes

Excavations during construction should be conducted so that slope failure and excessive ground movement will not occur. The short-term stability of excavation depends on many factors, including slope angle, engineering characteristics of the subsoils, height of the excavation and length of time the excavation remains unsupported and exposed to equipment vibrations, rainfall and desiccation.

Where spacing permits, and providing that adjacent facilities are adequately supported, open excavations may be considered. In general, unsupported slopes for temporary construction excavations should not be expected to stand at an inclination steeper than 1:1 (horizontal: vertical). The temporary excavation side walls may be cut vertically to a height of 3 feet and then laid back at a 1:1 slope ratio above a height of 3 feet.

Surcharge loads (equipment, spoil piles, etc.) should be kept away from the top of temporary excavations a horizontal distance equal to the depth of excavation. Surface drainage should be controlled along the top of temporary excavations to preclude wetting of the soils and erosion of the excavation faces. Even with the implementation of the above recommendations, sloughing of the surface of the temporary excavations may still occur, and workmen should be adequately protected from such sloughing.

#### **19.3** Temporary Shoring

If shoring is considered, Bruin GSI should be notified in order to provide appropriate design parameters.

#### 20.0 ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Final project plans and specifications should be reviewed prior to construction to confirm that the full intent of the recommendations presented herein have been applied to design and construction. This report is based on the assumption that an adequate testing and inspection program along with client consultation will be performed during final design and construction phases to verify compliance with the recommendations of this report. Retaining Bruin GSI as the geotechnical consultant to provide additional services from preliminary design through project completion will assure continuity of services.

Additional services include:

- Consultation during design stages of the project.
- Review, stamp and signature of the grading and building plans.
- Observation and testing during rough grading, fine grading and trench backfill as well as placement of engineered fill.
- Consultation as required during construction.

Cost estimates can be prepared if requested. Please contact our office.

#### 21.0 LIMITATIONS AND UNIFORMITY OF CONDITIONS

This report is based on the development plans provided to our office. If structure design changes or structure locations changes occur, the conclusion and recommendations in this report may not be considered valid unless the changes are reviewed and the conclusions of this report are modified or approved by the Geotechnical Consultant.

The subsurface conditions and characteristics described herein have been projected from individual borings or test pits placed across the subject property. Actual variations in the subsurface conditions and characteristics may occur.

If conditions encountered during construction differ from those described in this report, this office should be notified so as to consider the necessity for modifications. No responsibility for construction compliance with the design concepts, specifications, or recommendations is assumed unless on-site construction review is performed during the course of construction, which pertains to the specific recommendations contained herein.

It is recommended that Bruin GSI be provided the opportunity for a general review of final design and specifications in order that earthwork and foundation recommendations may be properly interpreted and implemented in the design specifications. If Bruin GSI is not accorded the privilege of making this recommended review, Bruin GSI can assume no responsibility for misinterpretation of the recommendations contained in this report. This report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted practice and standards in this community at this time. No warranties, either expressed or implied, are made as to the professional advice provided under the terms of the agreement and included in this report. This report has been prepared for the exclusive use of Patriot Constriction & Development, Inc. and his authorized agents. Unauthorized reproduction of any portion of this report without expressed written permission is prohibited.

If parties other than Bruin GSI are engaged to provide construction geotechnical services, they must be notified that they will be required to assume complete responsibility for the geotechnical phase of the project by concurring with the findings and recommendations in this report or providing alternate recommendations.

#### 22.0 CLOSURE

The conclusions, recommendations, and opinions presented herein are: (1) based upon our evaluation and interpretations of the limited data obtained from our field and laboratory programs; (2) based upon an interpolation of soil conditions between and beyond the borings; (3) are subject to confirmation of the actual conditions encountered during construction; and, (4) are based upon the assumption that sufficient observation and testing will be provided during the grading, infrastructure installation and building phases of site development.
APPENDIX A

Boring Logs and Classification Key

IF					Date(s) drilled	2/7/19	LO	LOG OF BORING 1				
					Drilling Contractor	GP Drilling		Shoo	f 1 of 1			
					Drilling Method	Hollow Stem Auger						
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		Ś	ТМ		Sampling Method(s)	SPT	Total Depth of Borehole	15' bg:	5			
Client: F	Patr	iot Co	nstru	ction	Groundwater	None Encountered	Boring Location:	See Fi	gure 2			
Project Nu	ımbe	er: <b>1</b>	9-02		Borehole Backfill	Native/ Cuttings	Notes:					
Project Lo	catio	on: API	N 3022	-026-003	Hammer Data	140#, 30" drop						
Depth	Sample	nscs	Graphic Log		Por Unit Por Sesistance (Blows/6")						Water Content %	
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5'		SM		Yellowish bro	wn silty fine to	coarse sand w/ occ. #4 gravel Medium dense, slightly moist			8-10-10		2.5	
_		SM/SP		Yellowish bro	wn slightly silty	/ fine to coarse sand w/ #4-1/2" Medium dense, dry	gravel		6-8-9		2.0	
		SM/SP		Yellowish bro	wn slightly silty	/ fine to coarse sand w/ #4-1/2"	gravel		8-8-8		1.8	
10'		SM/SP		Yellowish bro	wn slightly silty	Medium dense, dry / fine to coarse sand			7-8-10		1.0	
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15'		SM		Yellowish bro	wn slightly silty	/ fine to coarse sand w/ occ. #4-	1/2" gravel		7-8-12		1.5	
-	-					Medium dense, dry						
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Client: Patriot Construction	Groundwater	None Encountered	Boring Location: See Fi	gure 2				
Project Number: <b>19-02</b>	Borehole Backfill	Native/ Cuttings	Notes:					
Project Location: APN 3022-026-003	Hammer Data	140#, 30" drop						
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SP Yellowish bro	SP Yellowish brown slightly silty fine to coarse sand w/ occ. #4 gravel							
5'	5' Medium dense, slightly moist							
	SP Brown fine to coarse sand w/ occ. #4 gravel							
SP Brown fine to	coarse sand w	// occ. #4-1/2" gravel		8-20	108.9	2.9		
		Medium dense, slightly moist						
10° SM Light yellows	sh brown silty fi	ne to medium sand w/ occ. coar Medium dense moist	se sand	18-30	DIST	6.2		
15' SM/SP	sh brown silty fi	ne to medium sand w/ occ. coar	se sand	13-17	112.8	60		
	in brown only m	Medium dense, moist		10 11	112.0	0.0		
20' SP Yellowish bro	own slighty silty	fine to coarse sand w/ occ. #4-	1/2" gravel	22-50/5"	117.1	5.7		
		Dense, moist						
25' SM Light reddish	brown silty fine	e to coarse sand w/ occ. #4-1" g	ravel	24-36	116.9	5.5		
		Dense, moist						
30' SM/SP	brown slightly	silty fine to coarse sand w/ occ.	#4 gravel	28-44	113.9	2.0		
		Dense, slightly moist						

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5'		SM		Yellowish bro	wn silty fine to	7-13	102.3	1.5			
		SM/SP		Brown silty fi	ne to coarse sa	12-13	109.5	2.3			
						Medium dense, slightly moist					
		SM		Yellowish bro	wn silty fine to	coarse sand w/ occ. #4 gravel (	slightly cemented)	20-32	116.7	3.4	
10'						Dense, slightly moist					
15'		SM		Light yellowis	h brown very s	ilty fine to medium sand w/ occ.	coarse sand	23-40	98.8	3.7	
						Medium dense, slightly moist					
20'		SM		Light yellowis	h brown very s	ilty fine to medium sand w/ occ.	coarse sand & #4 grav	20-31	113.5	2.9	
						Dense, moist					
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Soils Key

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		SOIL CLA	SSIF	ICAT	ION KEY
	I	Major Divisior	IS		Typical Names
	Gravels	Clean gravels	vels GW		Well graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures
eve	More than half coarse-fraction is larger than No. 4 sieve size	fines	GP		Poorly graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures
oils #200 sie		Gravel with	GM		Silty gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-silt mixtures
ained S er than		over 12% fines	GC		Clayey gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-clay mixtures
arse Gr ore larg		Clean sands	SW		Well graded sands, gravelly sands
Cc % or m	Sands More than half coarse-fraction is smaller than No. 4 sieve size	with little or no fines	SP		Poorly graded sands, gravelly sands
50		Sands with over	SM		Silty sands, poorly graded sand-silt mixtures
		12% fines	SC		Clayey sands, poorly graded sand-clay mixtures
ve			ML		Inorganic silts, rock flour, clayey silts
; #200 sie	Silts an Liquid limit l	d Clays ess than 50	CL		Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, sandy clays, silty clays
ed Soils r than #			OL		Organic clays and organic silty clays of low plasticity
le Grain smaller			MH		Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sandy/silty soils, elastic silts
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50% (			ОН		Organic clays of medium to high plasticity, organic silts
	Highly Orga	anic Soils	Pt		Peat and other highly organic soils

CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM BASED ON UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

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Key to Boring Log

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APPENDIX B

Laboratory Test Data

# **SUMMARY OF LABORATORY TEST RESULTS**

## SIEVE ANALYSIS

Sample I.D.	3/4"	1/2"	3/8"	#4	#10	#40	#100	#200
B1@2'		100	99	97	90	54	31	22
B1@6'	100	99	98	94	83	33	12	8
B1@10'		100	98	95	82	30	15	9
B1@15'		100	99	99	93	51	23	14
B2@6'	100	99	97	93	79	30	10	7
B2@25'	100	98	97	93	85	61	40	30
B2@30'			100	99	95	45	15	10
B3@7'	100	97	96	91	75	30	12	8
B3@9'			100	99	96	74	51	38
B3@15'				100	99	92	65	43
B3@20'		100	99	98	93	60	29	19

Percent passing individual sieves

## SAND EQUIVALENT

Sample I.D.	Sand Equivalent
B2@20'	50
B3@3'	42

## **EXPANSION INDEX**

Sample	Expansion Index	Classification
B1@0-5'	0	Non-Expansive

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Project Number:19-02Project Name:Patriot Construction & DevelLab ID Number:B2Sample Location:B2 0'-5'Description:Moderate brown slightly siltyMaximum Density: Optimum Moisture:							velo lty 1 1	elopment, Inc. ty fine to medium sand w/ coarse sa Sieve Size 130 pcf 3/4" 8% 3/8" #4						sand	February 4, 2019 ASTM D-1557 C Rammer Type: 10# and & occ. #4 gravel <u>% Retained</u>											
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## Maximum Density/Optimum Moisture Proctor ASTM D698/D1557

Moisture Content, percent















# <u>R - VALUE TEST</u> ASTM D - 2844 / CAL 301

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Project Number Project Name Date Sample Location/Curve Number Soil Classification 12619016 Patriot #19-02 Bruin Geotechnical 2/11/2019 Boring #6 0-5' Silty Sands

TEST	A	B	С
Percent Moisture @ Compaction, %	8.8	10.3	7.8
Dry Density, Ibm/cu.ft.	132.8	128.0	132.3
Exudation Pressure, psi	314	127	732
Expansion Pressure, (Dial Reading)	0	0	0
Expansion Pressure, psf	0	0	0
Resistance Value R	35	20	76

R Value at 300 PSI Exudation Pressure	34
R Value by Expansion Pressure (TI =): 5	Expansion Pressure nil



# ANAHEIM TEST LAB, INC

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BRUIN GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES, INC. 44732 Yucca Avenue Lancaster, CA 93534 DATE: 02/19/2019

P.O. NO.: TRANSMITTAL

LAB NO .: C-2647

SPECIFICATION: CTM-417/422/643

MATERIAL: Soil

Project No: 19-02 Job Name: Patriot Construction Site Address: APN: 3022-026-003 City & State: Palmdale, CA

## **ANALYTICAL REPORT**

CORROSION SERIES SUMMARY OF DATA

рН	SOLUBLE SULFATES	SOLUBLE CHLORIDES	MIN. RESISTIVITY
	per CT. 417	per CT. 422	per CT. 643
	ppm	ppm	ohm-cm

B-2 @ 0-5' 6.8 Type Soil: SM 22

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16,000

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED** 

WES BRIDGER, LAB MANAGER

**APPENDIX C** 

Seismic Design Summary Report





# **19-02 Patriot Construction**

## Latitude, Longitude: 34.6079, -118.1164

		Lookbood Way	Blackbird Drive	
Goog	gle	6th St E	10th St E Map data ©2019 Google	
Date		3/12/2019, 11:51:11 AM		
Design Co	ode Referer	IBC-2015		
Risk Cate	gory	ll		
Site Class	5	D - Stiff Soil		
Туре	Value	Description		
SS	1.936	MCE <sub>R</sub> ground motion. (for 0.2 second period)		
S <sub>1</sub>	0.921	MCE <sub>R</sub> ground motion. (for 1.0s period)		
S <sub>MS</sub>	1.936	Site-modified spectral acceleration value		
S <sub>M1</sub>	1.382	Site-modified spectral acceleration value		
S <sub>DS</sub>	1.291	Numeric seismic design value at 0.2 second SA		
S <sub>D1</sub>	0.921	Numeric seismic design value at 1.0 second SA		
Туре	Value	Description		
SDC	E	Seismic design category		
Fa	1	Site amplification factor at 0.2 second		
Fv	1.5	Site amplification factor at 1.0 second		
PGA	0.759	MCE <sub>G</sub> peak ground acceleration		
F <sub>PGA</sub>	1	Site amplification factor at PGA		
PGA <sub>M</sub>	0.759	Site modified peak ground acceleration		
TL	12	Long-period transition period in seconds		
SsRT	2.596	.596 Probabilistic risk-targeted ground motion. (0.2 second)		
SsUH	2.764 Factored uniform-hazard (2% probability of exceedance in 50 years) spectral acceleration			
SsD	1.936	1.936 Factored deterministic acceleration value. (0.2 second)		
S1RT	1.168	1.168 Probabilistic risk-targeted ground motion. (1.0 second)		
S1UH	1.282 Factored uniform-hazard (2% probability of exceedance in 50 years) spectral acceleration.			
PGAd	0.921 Factored deterministic acceleration value. (1.0 second)			
CDe	0.939 Mapped value of the risk coefficient at short periods			
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APPENDIX D

**General Earthwork and Grading Guidelines** 

#### Earthwork and Grading Specifications for Rough Grading

#### 1.0 <u>General</u>

- **1.1 Intent:** These General Earthwork and Grading Specifications are for the grading and earthwork shown on the approved grading plan(s) and/or indicated in the geotechnical report(s). These Specifications are a part of the recommendations contained in the geotechnical report(s). In case of conflict, the specific recommendations in the geotechnical report shall supersede these more general Specifications. Observations of the earthwork by the project Geotechnical Consultant during the course of grading may result in new or revised recommendations that could supersede these specifications or the recommendations in the geotechnical report(s).
- **1.2** <u>The Geotechnical Consultant of Record:</u> Prior to commencement of work, the owner shall employ a qualified Geotechnical Consultant of Record (Geotechnical Consultant). The Geotechnical Consultant shall be responsible for reviewing the approved geotechnical report(s) and accepting the adequacy of the preliminary geotechnical findings, conclusions, and recommendations prior to the commencement of the grading.

Prior to commencement of grading, the Geotechnical Consultant shall review the "work plan" prepared by the Earthwork Contractor (Contractor) and schedule sufficient personnel to perform the appropriate level of observations, mapping, and compaction testing.

During the grading and earthwork operations, the Geotechnical Consultant shall observe, map, and document the subsurface exposures to verify the geotechnical design assumptions. If the observed conditions are found to be significantly different than the interpreted assumptions during the design phase, the Geotechnical Consultant shall inform the owner, recommend appropriate changes in design to accommodate the observed conditions, and notify the review agency where required.

The Geotechnical Consultant shall observe the moisture-conditioning and processing of the subgrade and fill materials and perform relative compaction testing of fill to confirm that the attained level of compaction is being accomplished as specified. The Geotechnical Consultant shall provide the test results to the owner and the Contractor on a routine and frequent basis.

**1.3 The Earthwork Contractor:** The Earthwork Contractor (Contractor) shall be qualified, experienced, and knowledgeable in earthwork logistics, preparation and processing of ground to receive fill, moisture-conditioning and processing of fill, and compacting fill. The Contractor shall review and accept plans, geotechnical report(s), and these Specifications prior to commencement of grading. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for performing the grading in accordance with the project plans and specifications. The Contractor shall prepare and submit to the owner and the Geotechnical Consultant a work plan that indicates the sequence of earthwork grading, the number of "equipment" of work and the estimated quantities of daily earthwork contemplated for the site prior to commencement of

grading. The Contractor shall inform the owner and the Geotechnical Consultant of changes in work schedules and updates to the work plan at least 24 hours in advance of such changes so that appropriate personnel will be available for observation and testing. The Contractor shall not assume that the Geotechnical Consultant is aware of all grading operations.

The Contractor shall have the sole responsibility to provide adequate equipment and methods to accomplish the earthwork in accordance with the applicable grading codes and agency ordinances, these Specifications, and the recommendations in the approved geotechnical report(s) and grading plan(s). If, in the opinion of the Geotechnical Consultants, unsatisfactory conditions, such as unsuitable soil, improper moisture-condition, inadequate compaction, insufficient buttress key size, adverse weather, etc., are resulting in a quality of work less than required in the specifications, the Geotechnical Consultant shall reject the work and may recommend to the owner that construction be stopped until the conditions are rectified. It is the contractor's sole responsibility to provide proper fill compaction.

#### 2.0 Preparation of Areas to be Filled

2.1 <u>Clearing and Grubbing:</u> Vegetation, such as brush, grass, roots, and other deleterious material shall be sufficiently removed and properly disposed of in a method acceptable to the owner, governing agencies, and the Geotechnical Consultant.

The Geotechnical Consultant shall evaluate the extent of these removals depending on specific site conditions. Earth fill material shall not contain more than 1 percent of organic materials (by volume). No fill lift shall contain more than 10 percent of organic matter. Nesting of the organic materials shall not be allowed.

If potentially hazardous materials are encountered, the Contractor shall stop work in the affected area, and a hazardous material specialist shall be informed immediately for proper evaluation and handling of these materials prior to continuing to work in that area.

As presently defined by the State of California, most refined petroleum products (gasoline, diesel fuel, motor oil, grease, coolant, etc.) have chemical constituents that are considered to be hazardous waste. As such, the indiscriminant dumping or spillage of these fluids onto the ground may constitute a misdemeanor, punishable by fines and/or imprisonment, and shall not be allowed. The contractor is responsible for all hazardous waste relating to his work. The Geotechnical Consultant does not have expertise in this area. If hazardous waste is a concern, then the Client should acquire the services of a qualified environmental assessor.

**2.2** <u>**Processing:**</u> Existing ground that has been declared satisfactory for support of fill by the Geotechnical Consultant shall be scarified to a minimum depth of 6 inches. Existing ground that is not satisfactory shall be overexcavated as specified in the following section. Scarification shall continue until soils are broken down and free from oversize material and the working surface is reasonably uniform, flat, and free from uneven features that would inhibit uniform compaction.

- **2.3** <u>**Overexcavation:**</u> In addition to removals and overexcavations recommended in the approved geotechnical report(s) and the grading pan, soft, loose, dry, saturated, spongy, organic-rich, highly fractured or otherwise unsuitable ground shall be overexcavated to competent ground as evaluated by the Geotechnical Consultant during grading.
- 2.4 <u>Benching:</u> Where fills are to be places on ground with slopes steeper than 5:1 (horizontal to vertical units), the ground shall be stepped or benched. The lowest bench or key shall be a minimum of 15 feet wide and at least 2 feet deep, into competent material as evaluated by the Geotechnical Consultant. Other benches shall be excavated a minimum height of 4 feet into competent material or as otherwise recommended by the Geotechnical Consultant. Fill placed on ground sloping flatter that 5:1 shall also be benched or otherwise overexcavated to provide a flat subgrade for the fill.
- 2.5 <u>Evaluation/Acceptance of Fill Areas:</u> All areas to receive fill, including removal and processed areas, key bottoms, and benches, shall be observes, mapped, elevations recorded, and/or tested prior to being accepted by the Geotechnical Consultant as suitable to receive fill. The Contractor shall obtain a written acceptance from the Geotechnical Consultant prior to fill placement. A licensed surveyor shall provide the survey control for determining elevations of processed areas, keys, and benches.

### 3.0 <u>Fill Material</u>

- **3.1** <u>General:</u> Material to be used as fill shall be essentially free of organic matter and other deleterious substances evaluated and accepted by the Geotechnical Consultant prior to placement. Soils of poor quality, such as those with unacceptable gradation, high expansion potential, or low strength shall be placed in areas acceptable to the Geotechnical Consultant or mixed with other soils to achieve satisfactory fill material.
- **3.2** <u>Oversize:</u> Oversize material defined as rock, or other irreducible material with a maximum dimension greater than 8 inches, shall not be buried or placed in fill unless location, materials, and placement methods are specifically accepted by the Geotechnical Consultant. Placement operations shall be such that nesting of oversized material does not occur and such that oversize material is completely surrounded by compacted or densified fill. Oversize material shall not be placed within 10 vertical feet of finish grade or within 2 feet of future utilities or underground construction.
- **3.3** <u>Import:</u> If importing of fill material is required for grading, proposed import material shall meet the requirements of the geotechnical report(s). The potential import source shall be given to the Geotechnical Consultant at least 48 hours (2 working days) before importing begins so the suitability can be determined and appropriate tests performed.

#### 4.0 Fill Placement and Compaction

- **4.1** <u>**Fill Layers:**</u> Approved fill material shall be placed in areas prepared to receive fill in near-horizontal layers not exceeding 8 inches in loose thickness. The Geotechnical Consultant may accept thicker layers if testing indicates that grading procedures can adequately compact the thicker layers. Each layer shall be spread evenly and mixed thoroughly to attain relative uniformity of material and moisture throughout.
- **4.2** <u>Fill Moisture Conditioning:</u> Fill soils shall be watered, dried back, blended, and/or mixed, as necessary to attain relatively uniform moisture content within 2% of optimum. Maximum density and optimum soil moisture content tests shall be performed in accordance with the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM Test Method D1557-91).
- **4.3** <u>Compaction of Fill:</u> After each layer has been moisture-conditioned, mixed, and evenly spread, it shall be uniformly compacted to not less than 90 percent of maximum dry density (ASTM Test Method D1557-91). Compaction equipment shall be adequately sized and be either specifically designed for soil compaction or of proven reliability to efficiently achieve the specified level of compaction with uniformity.
- **4.4** <u>Compaction of Fill Slopes:</u> In addition to normal compaction procedures specified above, compaction of slopes, shall be accomplished by backrolling of slopes with sheepfoot rollers at increments of 3 to 4 feet in fill elevation, or by other methods producing satisfactory results acceptable to the Geotechnical Consultant. Upon completion of grading, relative compaction of the fill, out to the slope face, shall be at least 90 percent of maximum density per ASTM Test Method D1557-91.
- **4.5** <u>**Compaction Testing:**</u> Field tests for moisture content and relative compaction of the fill soils shall be performed by the Geotechnical Consultant. Location and frequency of tests shall be at the Consultant's discretion based on field conditions encountered. Compaction test locations will not necessarily be selected on a random basis. Test locations shall be selected to verify adequacy of compaction levels in areas that are judged to be prone to inadequate compaction (such as close to slope faces and at the fill/bedrock benches).
- **4.6** <u>Frequency of Compaction Testing:</u> Tests shall be taken at intervals not exceeding 2 feet in vertical rise and/or 1,000 cubic yards of compacted fill soils embankment. In addition, as a guideline, at least one test shall be taken on slope faces for each 5,000 square feet of slope face and/or each 10 feet of vertical height of slope. The Contractor shall assure that fill construction is such that the testing schedule can be accomplished by the Geotechnical Consultant. The Contractor shall stop or slow down the earthwork construction if these minimum standards are not met.
- **4.7** <u>**Compaction Test Locations:**</u> The Geotechnical Consultant shall document the approximate elevation and horizontal coordinates of each test location. The Contractor shall coordinate with the project surveyor to assure that sufficient grade stakes are established so that the Geotechnical Consultant can determine the test locations with sufficient accuracy. At a minimum, two grade stakes within a horizontal distance of 100 feet and vertically less then 5 feet apart from potential test locations shall be provided.

#### 5.0 <u>Subdrain Installation</u>

Subdrain systems shall be installed in accordance with the approved geotechnical repot(s), the grading plan, and the Standard Details. The Geotechnical Consultant may recommend additional subdrains and/or changes in subdrain extent, location, grade, or material depending on conditions encountered during grading. All subdrains shall be surveyed by a land survey/civil engineer for line and grade after installation and prior to burial. Sufficient time should be allowed by the Contractor for these surveys.

#### 6.0 Excavation

Excavations, as well we over-excavation for remedial purposes, shall be evaluated by the Geotechnical Consultant during grading. Remedial removal depths shown on geotechnical plans are estimates only. The actual extent of removal shall be determined by the Geotechnical Consultant based on the field evaluation of exposed conditions during grading. Where fill-over-cut slopes are to be graded, the cut portion of the slope shall be made, evaluated, and accepted by the Geotechnical Consultant prior to placement of materials for construction of the fill portion of the slope, unless otherwise recommended by the Geotechnical Consultant.

#### 7.0 Trench Backfills

- 7.1 The Contractor shall follow all OHSA and Cal/OSHA requirements for safety of trench excavations.
- 7.2 All bedding and backfill of utility trenches shall be done in accordance with the applicable provisions of Standard Specifications of Public Works Construction. Bedding Material shall have a Sand Equivalent greater then 30 (SE>30). The bedding shall be placed to 1 foot over the top of the conduit and densified by jetting. Backfill shall be placed and densified to a minimum of 90 percent of maximum from 1 foot above the top of the conduit to the surface.
- **7.3** The jetting of the bedding around the conduits shall be observed by the Geotechnical Consultant.
- 7.4 The Geotechnical Consultant shall test the trench backfill for relative compaction. At least one test should be made for every 300 feet of trench and 2 feet of fill.
- **7.5** Lift thickness of trench backfill shall not exceed those allowed in the Standard Specifications of Public Works Construction unless the Contractor can demonstrate to the Geotechnical Consultant that the fill lift can be compacted to the minimum relative compaction by his alternative equipment and method.

# **GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT**



Prepared For Patriot Construction & Development, Inc.

Proposed Industrial Development Challenger Way and Avenue O-12 Palmdale, Los Angeles County, California APN 3022-025-003, 004 & APN 3022-026-011, 012

**BRUIN GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES, INC.** 

44732 Yucca Avenue Lancaster, California 93534

> Job No: 18-360 March 26, 2019



## SOIL AND MATERIAL TESTING AND INSPECTIONS

March 26, 2019

J.N. 18-360

Mr. Robert Sarkissian **Patriot Construction & Development, Inc.** 4454 W. Palmdale Blvd., Ste. C Palmdale, CA 93551

Subject: Geotechnical Investigation Report for Proposed Industrial Development at the Vicinity of Challenger Way and Avenue O-12, Palmdale, Los Angeles County, California APN 3022-025-003, 004 and 3022-026-011, 012

Dear Mr. Sarkissian:

Presented herewith is the report of our Geotechnical Investigation Report for the subject project. Our work was performed in accordance with the scope of work outlined in our original proposal dated January 7, 2019.

This report presents the results of our field investigation, laboratory testing and our engineering judgment, opinions, conclusions and recommendations pertaining to the proposed development.

It has been a pleasure to be of service to you on this project. Should you have any questions regarding the contents of this report, or should you require additional information, please contact the undersigned at (661) 273-9078.

Respectfully submitted,

**BRUIN GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES, INC.** 

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#### **GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT**

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## GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGER WAY AND AVENUE O-12 PALMDALE, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA APN 3022-025-003, 004 AND 3022-026-011, 012

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of our geotechnical investigation performed by Bruin Geotechnical Services, Inc. for the proposed industrial development at the subject site based on discussions and preliminary site plans provided by the client. This report is specific to the proposed development.

The purpose of this investigation was to evaluate the on-site subsurface soil conditions relative to geotechnical engineering characteristics and to provide geotechnical recommendations relative to proposed development.

The scope of the authorized geotechnical investigation included the following tasks:

- Performing a site reconnaissance
- Conducting field subsurface exploration through soil borings and sampling
- Laboratory testing program of selected soil samples
- Performing engineering analyses of the data
- Preparing this Geotechnical Investigation Report

This study also includes a review of published and unpublished literature and geotechnical maps with respect to active and potentially active faults located in proximity to the site which may have impact on the seismic design of the proposed structure.

## 2.0 SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The subject site, herein after referred to as Site, is located on the east side of 8<sup>th</sup> Street East, approximately 1,060 feet to the north of Rancho Vista Boulevard in the city of Palmdale, Los Angeles County, California. The rectangular-shaped Site consists of four parcels totaling approximately 21.46 acres. At the time of our investigation the site was vacant of structures. The Site vegetation consisted of annual grass, a moderate covering of brush, and a few Joshua trees. The aforementioned site description is intended to be illustrative and is specifically not intended for use as a legal description of the Site.

The Site is located in a semi-developed area of Palmdale, bounded by vacant land on all sides. Various residential, industrial, and commercial buildings are in the vicinity of the site including Lockheed Martin's Plant 10 to the north.

Access to the Site is from 8<sup>th</sup> Street East and 10<sup>th</sup> Street East are paved roads. The Site is also accessible by 9<sup>th</sup> Street East (dividing the 4 parcels) which is an unpaved road.

Topographically, the Site is relatively flat and level with a general slope to the east. Drainage occurs by sheet flow at an approximate 1-2 percent to the east. The elevation of the Site is approximately 2,600 feet above mean sea level near the center.

The general location of the subject site is shown on Figure 1.

## 3.0 PROPOSED GRADING AND CONSTRUCTION

Based on our review of the preliminary site plans and discussions, Bruin GSI understands that the structures will be industrial/commercial buildings, concrete tilt up construction, with conventional concrete continuous and isolated foundations and slab-on-grade floors. No basements are planned. We anticipate maximum structural loads of 2,200 pounds per lineal foot and 30-40 kips for isolated foundations.

Exterior improvements are anticipated to include concrete flatwork, landscape and hardscape areas, and pavement parking. It is anticipated that the drainage will consist of sloped surfaces to drainage swales to an approved area. The proposed structures will be connected to a public sewer system and existing utilities lines from the street.

Due to the Site topography, it appears the proposed earthwork will be minimal, with anticipated maximum slope heights of approximately 1-3 feet to achieve design grades.

### 4.0 GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION

The geotechnical investigation included a field subsurface exploration program and a laboratory testing program on soil samples collected. These programs were performed in accordance with our proposal for Geotechnical Investigation Report dated January 7, 2019. The scope of work did not include environmental assessment or investigation for the presence or absence of hazardous substances or toxic materials in structures, soil, surface water, groundwater or air, below or around the site. The field subsurface exploration and laboratory testing programs are described below.

# Parcel Profile Report

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APN: 3022-025-003

#### Address: VAC/COR 9TH STE/AVE O12 PALMDALE CA 93550



Address: VAC/COR 9TH STE/AVE O12

City: PALMDALE CA

**Owner:** 

Mailing Address:

Mailing City:

Lot Size Sq Ft: 232816

Lot Size Acres: 5.34

#### **Legal Description:**

RECORD OF SURVEY AS PER BK 65 PG 19 OF R S (EX OF ST) LOT 15



Use Code: 300V

Use Description: Industrial

Tax Rate Area: 15589

**Transfer Date: 2006-05-25** 

Last Sale Date:

Last Sale Amount:

#### **Building 1**

Design Type:	Bedrooms:
Quality Class Shape:	Baths:
Year Built:	Bldg Sq Ft:
Units:	Effective Yr:

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Address: VAC/COR 9TH STE/AVE O12

City: PALMDALE CA

**Owner:** 

Mailing Address:

Mailing City:

Lot Size Sq Ft: 193158

Lot Size Acres: 4.43

**Legal Description:** 

RECORD OF SURVEY AS PER BK 65 PG 19 OF R S EX OF ST LOT 16



**Use Code:** 300V

Use Description: Industrial

Tax Rate Area: 15589

**Transfer Date: 2018-12-06** 

Last Sale Date:

Last Sale Amount:

#### **Building 1**

Design Type:	Bedrooms:
Quality Class Shape:	Baths:
Year Built:	Bldg Sq Ft:
Units:	Effective Yr:

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Address: VAC/COR 8TH STE/AVE 012

City: PALMDALE CA

**Owner:** 

Mailing Address:

Mailing City:

Lot Size Sq Ft: 233019

Lot Size Acres: 5.35

#### **Legal Description:**

RECORD OF SURVEY AS PER BK 65 PG 19 OF R S (EX OF ST) LOT 11



Use Code: 300V

Use Description: Industrial

Tax Rate Area: 07006

Transfer Date: 2013-08-14

Last Sale Date:

Last Sale Amount:

#### **Building 1**

Design Type:	Bedrooms:
Quality Class Shape:	Baths:
Year Built:	Bldg Sq Ft:
Units:	Effective Yr:

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# Parcel Profile Report

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**APN:** 3022-026-012

#### Address: VAC/COR 10TH STE/AVE O12 PALMDALE CA 93550



Address: VAC/COR 10TH STE/AVE O12

City: PALMDALE CA

**Owner:** 

Mailing Address:

Mailing City:

Lot Size Sq Ft: 276238

Lot Size Acres: 6.34

**Legal Description:** 

RECORD OF SURVEY AS PER BK 65 PG 19 OF R S EX OF ST LOT 12



Use Code: 300V

Use Description: Industrial

Tax Rate Area: 07006

**Transfer Date:** 2019-01-03

Last Sale Date:

Last Sale Amount:

#### **Building 1**

Design Type:	Bedrooms:			
Quality Class Shape:	Baths:			
Year Built:	Bldg Sq Ft:			
Units:	Effective Yr:			

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#### 4.1 Field Exploration Program

A site reconnaissance was made by our representative prior to instigating the field exploration program. The Site was observed and boundaries roughly located for purposes of underground utility locating. As required by law, Bruin GSI contacted Underground Service Alert (one-call notification service) to attain underground utility marking and clearance, a minimum of 72 hours prior to performing the field subsurface investigation.

The field exploration program was initiated on February 7, 2019, under the technical supervision of our engineer. A total of six (6) exploratory borings were drilled using a CME 75 drill rig with 8" hallow stem auger in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical exploration procedures (ASTM D 1452). The borings were advanced to maximum depths of thirty (30) feet below ground surface (bgs). The approximate locations of the borings within the area of the proposed construction were determined by sighting and pacing from existing site improvements, such as streets, and should be only considered accurate to the degree implied by the method used. The borings locations are shown on Figure 2.

Soil samples were obtained at various depth intervals, consisting of relatively undisturbed brass ring samples (Modified California split-spoon sampler) and Standard Penetration Test (SPT) samples driven by a 140-pound hammer falling 30 inches. After seating of the sampler, the number of blows required to drive the sampler one foot was recorded in 6-inch increments, in general accordance with procedures presented in ASTM D 1586.

Bulk samples were also collected at various depths from auger cuttings during drilling and represent a mixture of soils within the noted depths. The soil samples were returned to the laboratory for analysis and testing.

Final boring logs presented in Appendix A are Bruin GSI's interpretation of the field logs prepared by our representative during drilling, as well as laboratory test results. The stratification lines represent approximate boundaries between soil types. The actual soil transitions may be gradual.

#### 4.2 Laboratory Testing

The field boring logs and soil samples were reviewed to assess which samples would be analyzed further. The selected soil samples collected during drilling activities at the Site were then tested in the laboratory to assist in evaluating engineering properties of subsurface materials deemed within structural influence.

Figure 2

# Boring Location Map



The soil samples were classified in accordance with the Unified Soils Classification System and a testing program was established. The samples were tested to determine the following:

- In-situ moisture and dry unit weight determinations were determined in accordance with ASTM D 2937.
- Relative strength characteristics were estimated from results of direct shear tests (ASTM D 3080) performed on in-situ soil samples from the ring sampler and also bulk soil samples remolded to approximately 90 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method.
- Consolidation potential was determined on select soil samples in accordance with ASTM D 2435. The samples were saturated at 2.4 KSF to check hydro-consolidation potential. The maximum load applied was 4.8 KSF. The soil samples were unloaded to 1.2 KSF to check rebound.
- Soil chemical analysis on a soil sample from the site was performed by Anaheim Test Lab, which included pH, resistivity, soluble sulfates and soluble chlorides as well as other chemical contents.

The following additional tests were performed:

•	Identification of soils	ASTM D 2488
•	Expansion Index	ASTM D 4829
•	Maximum density -Optimum moisture	ASTM D 1557
•	Material Finer than the No. 200 Sieve	ASTM D 1140
•	Sand Equivalent Value	ASTM D 2419

Pertinent tabular and graphic test results are presented in Appendix B.

#### 5.0 CONCLUSIONS

The following conclusions for the site are based on the results of the field exploration and laboratory testing programs and represent professional opinions.

#### 5.1 Site and Subsurface Conditions

Native alluvial materials were encountered within all of our exploratory borings. The native materials were noted to be loose to dense and dry to moist. The soil strata encountered consisted of layers of silty sands (SM), poorly graded sands (SP), and occasional sandy silt (ML). The upper five to six feet of soils were found to be relatively low density and non-uniform. For more detailed descriptions of the subsurface materials refer to the boring logs in Appendix A.

#### 5.2 Groundwater Conditions

Groundwater was not encountered in any of our exploratory borings, at least to the maximum depth explored (30 feet bgs). Bruin GSI reviewed available reports and electronic data bases to assess historic water level conditions in the vicinity of the Site. Sources reviewed included the historically highest groundwater contours prepared by County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Water Resources Division electronic database, historically highest groundwater levels in the immediate site vicinity indicate that groundwater level at the site are over 200 feet bgs. Based on this information, groundwater is not a design factor for this project.

#### 5.3 Soil Engineering Properties

Physical tests were performed on the bulk and relatively undisturbed samples to characterize the engineering properties of the native soils.

Moisture content and dry unit weight determinations were performed on samples to evaluate the in-situ unit weights of the different materials. Of the samples analyzed, moisture contents ranged 1-4 percent. In-place dry densities ranged 98 pounds per cubic foot (pcf) to 117 pcf. Moisture content and dry unit weight results are shown on the boring logs in Appendix A.

The expansion index tests (ASTM D 4829) indicate that the surficial soils are within the "very low" expansion category.

Consolidation test results reveal that some samples tested in the upper five to six (5-6) feet of soil has a moderate to high potential to hydro-consolidate.

#### 6.0 REGIONAL GEOLOGY AND SEISMIC HAZARDS

The project site is located in a seismically active area typical of Southern California and likely to be subjected to a strong ground shaking due to earthquakes on nearby faults.

The San Andreas Fault zone is the largest active fault rift zone, which is several miles wide, and passes through the Antelope Valley south of the subject site, extending from the Gulf of Mexico through the western portion of the State of California to a point at Cape Mendocino in northern California. The San Andreas Fault is predicted to have an event every 100-200 years based on geologic records. The San Andreas Fault has had two major eruptions in the last 150 years: 1) in the Southern California area in 1857, and 2) in San Francisco in 1906. In each event, approximately 320 kilometers of surface rupture has taken place, as well as a horizontal displacement of approximately 9 meters. Additional faulting has occurred adjacent to the San Andreas Fault causing numerous events of various magnitudes throughout the length of the San Andreas Fault.

The project site is located north of an area in which active seismic occurrences are recorded on a yearly basis. Seismic studies conducted show a major break along the San Andreas Fault could be responsible for an event of approximately 8.4 on the Richter scale. A seismic event of this magnitude could cause bedrock accelerations as large as 0.5g. Events of this magnitude are anticipated to occur approximately every 150 years. The last occurrence of this magnitude was in 1857.

No known active faults have been mapped across the subject site. The potential hazards due to active fault ground rupture are considered minimal. According to current publications by the State of California, the project site is not located within the Alquist-Priolo special studies zone.

#### 6.1 IBC Design Parameters

The following coefficients have been estimated in accordance with the requirements of the 2016 CBC, utilizing the Structural Engineers Association of California and California's Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development Seismic Design Maps Application:

#### https://seismicmaps.org/

The following seismic parameters are provided, based on the approximate latitude and longitude at the southwest corner of the subject site:

Latitude	34.6048°
Longitude	-118.1162°

Spectral Response Acceleration, Short Period) - S <sub>s</sub>	1.984g	0.2(sec)
Spectral Response Acceleration at 1 sec $S_1$	0.942g	1.0(sec)
Mapped Spectral Response, Short period - S <sub>DS</sub>	1.323g	0.2(sec)
Mapped Spectral Response at 1 sec S <sub>D1</sub>	0.942g	1.0(sec)
Site Coefficient – F <sub>A</sub>	1.0	
Site Coefficient – F <sub>V</sub>	1.5	
Site Modified Spectral Response Acceleration, Short period $-S_{MS}$	1.984g	
Site Modified Spectral Response Acceleration, Short period -S $_{M1}$	1.413g	

Site Classification (2013 CBC, further defined in IBC-2015, Chapter 20) = D

The actual method of seismic design should be determined by the Structural Engineer.

Refer to Appendix C for the Design Maps Summary Report provided by the Structural Engineers Association of California and California's Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development website.

#### 6.2 Liquefaction Potential

Liquefaction is a seismic phenomenon in which loose, saturated, granular (noncohesive) soils react as a fluid when subject to high-intensity ground shaking. Research and historical data indicate loose granular soils with a specific range of grain size distribution, saturated by a relatively shallow groundwater table are most susceptible to liquefaction.

The effects of liquefaction on level ground include settlement, sand boils and bearing capacity failures below structures.

In view of the relatively firm silty sand, poorly graded sand, and sandy silt encountered in the borings, relative densities, and depth to static groundwater (over 200 feet), it id Bruin GSI's opinion that the potential for on-site liquefaction or seismically induced dynamic settlement should be negligible. Based on our review of the Seismic Hazards Map, Lancaster West Quadrangle, the Site is not located in an area requiring a liquefaction analysis.

#### 6.2.1 Other Liquefaction Associated Hazards

Potential hazards associated with liquefaction include lateral spreading and slow slides, foundation bearing failure, and ground surface settlement. Considering the upper 50 feet of the native soils are not likely to liquefy, these hazards are not considered to be design factors for this project.

#### 6.3 Other Secondary Seismic Hazards

Seismic hazards relative to earthquakes include landslides, ground lurching, tsunamis, seiches and seismic-induced settlement. As site topography is relatively flat, hazards from landslides are considered negligible. Ground lurching is generally associated with fault rupture and liquefaction. As these hazards are considered unlikely, it is Bruin GSI's opinion that the potential for ground lurching is low. Tsunami hazards are considered nonexistent due to the site location.

#### 6.4 Soil Settlement

Differential soil settlement occurs when supporting soils are not uniform in density or classification and seismic shaking causes one type of soil to settle more than the other. When unaccounted for in design, such settlement can result in damage to structures, pavement and subsurface utilities. Soils with potential for hydroconsolidation can also cause differential settlement under loading conditions and the induction of moisture.

Re-compaction of the upper site soils is intended to remedy most potentials of settlement due to structures supported on native soils with non-uniform densities, soil classifications and hydro-consolidation.

Settlement of structures founded on compacted fill will be relatively small, less than 1". Differential settlement is anticipated to be on the order of 50 percent of the total settlement in a thirty-foot span. Most settlement should take place during construction.

#### 6.5 Erosion

The subject site drainage occurs by minor sheet flow and erosion could occur. Appropriate analysis, grading and drainage design and site maintenance should minimize the sheet flow erosion potential.

#### 7.0 111 STATEMENT

Subsequent to compliance with the recommendations provided in this report and based on the site reconnaissance, subsurface exploration, and laboratory analysis, it is our opinion the proposed structures will be safe from hazards associated with faulting, landslides, slippage, and settlement. The proposed development will not adversely impact the existing geologic stability of adjacent sites.

#### 8.0 EFFECT OF PROPOSED GRADING ON ADJACENT PROPERTIES

It is our opinion that the proposed grading and construction will not adversely affect the stability of adjoining properties provided that grading and construction are performed in compliance with the recommendations presented herein.

#### 9.0 OPINIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

Based upon the results of our investigation, the proposed development is considered feasible from a geotechnical standpoint provided the recommendations presented herein are incorporated into the design and construction. If changes in the design of the structure are made or variations of changed conditions are encountered during construction, Bruin GSI should be contacted to evaluate their effects on these recommendations.

As mentioned in Section 5.3, the upper five to six feet of native soil were found to be nonuniform with some areas of the site soils subject to hydro-consolidation. Based on the laboratory testing and subsurface data obtained, it is Bruin GSI's opinion that the upper site soils will not provide a uniform soil support system without remediation through recompaction. In order to provide a more uniform soil support system and minimize the potential for differential settlement, the proposed structures should be supported by a recompacted fill mat.

Provide the recommendations in this report are incorporated into the design and construction, it is Bruin GSI's opinion that conventional shallow (continuous and isolated) foundations may be designed to support the proposed structures. Refer to Section 11.2 for details and soil values regarding foundation design.

#### **10.0 GEOTECHNICAL RECOMMENDATIONS**

The following geotechnical engineering recommendations for the proposed development are based on observations from the field investigation program and the laboratory test results and our experience with sites of similar conditions.

The local Department of Building and Safety should be contacted prior to start of construction to assure the project is properly permitted and inspected during construction. Any grading performed at the site shall be incompliance with the recommendations provided in this report, the local building code and the Earthwork and Grading Specifications for Rough Grading presented in Appendix D.

Field observations and testing during rough-grading operations should be provided by Bruin GSI so a decision can be formed regarding the adequacy of the site preparation, the acceptability of fill materials, and the extent to which the earthwork construction and the degree of compaction comply with the project geotechnical specifications. Any work related to grading performed without the full knowledge of, and under the supervision of the Geotechnical Consultant, may render the recommendations of this report invalid.

#### 10.1 Earthwork

Prior to any grading, the site should be cleared and grubbed of all vegetation. All artificial fill, pavements, vegetation, trash, debris and abandoned underground utilities shall be removed from the area to be graded and should not be incorporated into engineered fill.

Any depressions resulting from removals during grubbing process (trees etc.) shall be observed by the Geotechnical Consultant. Depressions requiring backfill within structural areas will require placement of engineered fill, observed and tested by the Geotechnical Consultant. It is our professional opinion that the grading of the site can be performed with conventional earth-moving equipment.

#### **10.2** Remedial Grading for Building Pads and Retaining Walls

To provide a more uniform bearing for the proposed structure foundations, slab-ongrade and structural retaining walls and, subsequent to clearing and grubbing of the area to graded, the existing native soils shall be <u>excavated to a depth of sixty (60)</u> <u>inches below existing grade or finish grade, whichever is lower.</u> The excavation shall extend a minimum of five (5) feet beyond the limits of the proposed foundations, where obtainable. The bottom of the excavation shall be a level elevation.

The Geotechnical Consultant shall inspect the resulting surfaces prior to scarification and fill placement. A minimum of thirty-six (36) inches of compacted fill is required beneath the proposed foundations.

Subsequent to approval of the resulting surface by the Geotechnical Consultant, the resulting soil surface shall be scarified (ripped) an additional twelve (12) inches, properly moisture conditioned or aerated to near optimum moisture content, and mechanically compacted with heavy compaction equipment to 90% relative compaction as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method. **Compaction shall be verified by testing.** 

#### 10.3 Remedial Grading for Flexible (Asphalt-Concrete) and Rigid (PCC) Pavement

Subsequent to clearing and grubbing the area to be graded, the existing native soils shall be excavated twelve (12) inches below existing grade or finish grade, whichever is lower. The exposed surface shall be scarified (ripped) an additional twelve (12) inches. The excavation shall extend a minimum of three (3) feet beyond the limits of the proposed pavement, where obtainable. The Geotechnical Consultant shall inspect the resulting surfaces prior to fill placement.

Subsequent to approval of the resulting surface by the Geotechnical Consultant, the resulting soil surface shall be properly moisture conditioned or aerated to near optimum moisture content, and mechanically compacted with heavy compaction equipment to 90% relative compaction (95% relative compaction beneath proposed PCC pavement in the upper twelve inches) as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method. **Compaction shall be verified by testing**.

# 10.4 Remedial Grading and Exterior Non-Traffic Bearing Concrete Flatwork (Sidewalks, Patios, Walkways, etc.)

Subsequent to clearing and grubbing the area to be graded, the existing native soils shall be excavated six (6) inches below existing grade or finish grade, whichever is lower. The exposed surface shall be scarified (ripped) an additional twelve (12) inches. The excavation shall extend a minimum of two (2) feet beyond the limits of the proposed flatwork, were obtainable. The Geotechnical Consultant shall inspect the resulting surfaces prior to fill placement.

Subsequent to approval of the resulting surface by the Geotechnical Consultant, the resulting soil surface shall be properly moisture conditioned or aerated to near optimum moisture content, and mechanically compacted with mechanical compaction equipment to 90% relative compaction as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method. **Compaction shall be verified by testing**.

#### 10.5 Fill Placement and Compaction Requirements

The excavated native soils may be used as engineered fill to backfill the excavation. Materials for engineered fill should be free of organic material, debris, and other deleterious substances, and should not contain rocks greater than 6 inches in maximum dimension.

All native soil shall be moisture conditioned or air dried as necessary to achieve near optimum moisture condition, placed in lifts (eight to ten inches, measured loose) and then compacted in place by mechanical compaction equipment to a minimum relative compaction of 90 percent (95% beneath PCC pavement) as determined in accordance with Test Method ASTM D 1557.

All import soil fill (meeting the requirements of Section 10.8) should be placed in 8inch-thick maximum lifts measured loose, moisture conditioned or air dried as necessary to near optimum moisture condition, and then compacted in place to a minimum relative compaction of 90 percent (95% beneath PCC pavement) as determined in accordance with Test Method ASTM D 1557.

A representative of the project consultant should be present on-site during grading operations to verify proper placement and compaction of all fill, as well as to verify compliance with the other geotechnical recommendations presented herein.

#### 10.6 Native Soil Shrinkage

A shrinkage factor of the upper site soils is estimated fifteen to twenty (15-20) percent. This estimate is based on the limited data collected from the subsurface exploration and laboratory test data with an average degree of compaction of 92 percent and may vary depending on contractor methods.

During compaction, an additional one-half of an inch (1/2") subsidence of the underlying soil is estimated. Losses from site clearing and grubbing operations mat effect quantity calculations and should be taken into account. Actual shrinkage of the soil may vary.

We recommend monitoring the rough grading excavations by survey with comparison to grading contractor earthwork yardage estimates to determine a closer estimate of actual shrinkage so adjustments (if necessary) may be made during grading.

#### **10.7** Fill Slope Construction and Stability

Provided all material is properly compacted as recommended, fill slopes may be constructed at a 2:1 (horizontal to vertical) gradient or flatter. Permanent cut slopes may be constructed at 2:1 or flatter. Fill slopes constructed as recommended at a slope ratio not exceeding 2:1 (horizontal: vertical), are expected to be both grossly and surficially stable and are expected to remain so under normal conditions.

Proper drainage should be planned so water is not allowed to flow over the tops of slopes. The slopes should be planted as soon as possible to minimize erosion and maintenance.

If slopes are planned steeper than 2:1, the Geotechnical Consultant shall be notified for slope stability determinations.

#### 10.8 Imported Soils

If imported soils are required to complete the planned grading, these soils shall be free of organic matter and deleterious substances, meeting the following criteria:

- 100% passing a 2-inch sieve
- 60% to 100% passing the #4 sieve
- no more than 20% passing a #200 sieve
- expansion index less than 20
- liquid limit less than 35

- plasticity index less than 12
- R-value greater than 40
- Low corrosion potential
  - Soluble Sulfates less than 1,500 ppm
  - o Soluble Chlorides less than 150 ppm
  - Minimum Resistivity greater than 8,000 ohm-cm

Prospective import soils should be observed, tested and pre-approved by this firm prior to importing the soils to the site. Final approval of the import soil will be given once the material is on site either in place or adequate quantities to finish the grading.

#### **10.9 Grading Observations and Testing**

The grading of the site shall be observed and tested by the Geotechnical Consultant to verify compliance with the recommendations. Any grading performed without full knowledge of the Geotechnical Consultant may render the recommendations of this report invalid.

#### 11.0 POST-GRADING AND DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

#### 11.1 Pad Drainage

A surface drainage system consisting of a combination of sloped concrete flatwork, swales and sheet flow gradients in landscape areas, and roof gutters and downspouts should be designed for the site. The roof gutters and downspouts should also be tied directly into the proposed area drain system. Drainage from structures should be designed at minimum 2% gradient to approved areas. The purpose of this drainage system will be to reduce water infiltration into the subgrade soils and to direct surface waters away from building foundations, walls and slope areas.

Concrete flatwork surfaces and paved sloped surfaces should be inclined at a minimum gradient of 1 percent away from the building foundations and similar structures. A minimum 12-inch-high berm should be maintained along the top of the descending slope to prevent any water from flowing over the slope.

The owner is advised that all irrigation and drainage devices should be properly maintained throughout the lifetime of the development.

#### **11.2** Foundation Design Recommendations

The proposed structure shall be constructed on a conventional concrete foundation system. Provided the recommendations in this report are incorporated into site development, foundation for load bearing walls and interior columns constructed on compacted certified fill may be designed as follows:

#### 11.2.1 Allowable Bearing Capacity

<u>Continuous Foundations Design Values</u>: An allowable "net" bearing capacity of 1,800 psf. can be utilized for dead and sustained live loads. This value includes a minimum safety factor of three, and may be increased by 1/3 for total loads, including seismic forces.

Continuous foundations should be embedded a minimum of twenty-four inches below lowest adjacent soil elevation and a minimum of fifteen inches in width. Reinforcement shall consist of a minimum of two #4 bars, one top and one bottom. Actual depth, width, and reinforcement requirements for continuous foundations will be dependent on the Expansion Index of the bearing soils, applicable sections of the governing building code and requirements of the structural engineer.

The allowable bearing capacity for continuous foundations may be increased by 200 psf. for each additional six inches of foundation depth and 200 psf. for each additional one foot of foundation width. The allowable bearing capacity should not exceed 2,500 psf. for continuous foundations to keep estimated settlements within allowable limits.

<u>Isolated Pad (Column or Pier) Foundations Design Values:</u> An allowable "net" bearing capacity of 1,800 psf. can be utilized for dead and sustained live loads. This value includes a minimum safety factor of three, and may be increased by 1/3 for total loads, including seismic forces.

Isolated foundations should be a minimum of twenty-four inches square and embedded a minimum of thirty inches below lowest adjacent soil elevation. Actual depth, width, and reinforcement requirements for continuous foundations will be dependent on the Expansion Index of the bearing soil, applicable sections of the governing building code and requirements of the structural engineer. The allowable bearing capacity for isolated foundations may be increased by 200 psf. for each additional six inches of foundation depth and 200 psf. for each additional one foot of foundation width. The allowable bearing capacity should not exceed 2,500 psf. for isolated foundations to keep estimated settlements within allowable limits.

#### **11.2.2** Lateral Load Resistance

Lateral load resistance for the spread footings will be developed by passive soil pressure against sides of footings below grade and by friction acting at the base of the concrete footings bearing on compacted fill. An allowable passive pressure of 300 Z PSF, where Z = Depth (in feet) below finish grade. In passive pressure calculations, the upper one foot of soil should be subtracted from the depth, Z, unless confined by pavement or slab. An appropriate safety factor should be used for design calculations.

Friction along the foundation base may provide resistance to lateral loading. The coefficient of friction was estimated to be 0.32 for site soils compacted to 90% of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method, and may be used for dead load forces and includes a reduction factor of 1/3.

For design of building foundations, passive resistance may be combined with frictional resistance provided that a one-third reduction in the coefficient of friction is used.

#### **11.2.3 Footing Reinforcement**

Reinforcement for footings should be designed by the structural engineer based on the anticipated loading conditions and expansion index of the supporting soil. Preliminary expansion index for the native soil is categorized as "very low" as determined by ASTM D 4829. Footings should be reinforced with a minimum of two No. 4 bars, one top and one bottom.

#### **11.2.4 Footing Observations**

All footing trenches should be observed by a representative of the project geotechnical consultant to verify that they have been excavated into competent soils prior to placement of forms, reinforcement or concrete. The excavations should be trimmed neat, level and square. All loose, sloughed or moisture-softened soils and/or any construction debris should be removed prior to placing of concrete. **Excavated soils derived from footing and/or utility trenches should not be placed in building slab-on-**

grade areas or exterior concrete flatwork areas unless the soils are compacted to at least 90 percent of maximum dry density.

#### **11.2.5** Foundation Setbacks

Footings of structures (including retaining walls) located above a slope having a total height of 10 feet or less should have a minimum setback of 5 feet, measured from the outside edge of the footing bottom along a horizontal line to the face of the slope. For footings above slopes having a total height greater than 10 feet, the setback should be, at minimum, equal to one third of the total height of the slope but need not exceed 40 feet. Refer to the IBC Table 1805.3.1.

#### 11.3 RETAINING WALLS AND STRUCTURES BELOW GRADE

The project may include shallow retaining walls or walls below grade (i.e. loading docks, light standards, flagpoles or similar structures supporting soil materials. These walls are anticipated to be shallow (i.e., approximately 10 feet or less in height). Design lateral earth pressures, backfill criteria, and drainage recommendations for walls below grade are presented.

#### **11.3.1** Lateral Earth Pressures

	Driving Earth Pressure*	Resisting Earth Pressure*
Well-drained soil	45	300***
Well-drained soil (2:1 backfill)	68	
At-rest (restrained wall)	65**	

\*Equivalent fluid pressure (PSF) per foot of soil height

\*\*For design purposes, a wall is considered restrained if it prevented from movement greater than 0.002H (H= height of wall in feet) at the top of the wall.

\*\*\*The upper one foot of soil should be subtracted from the depth, Z, unless confined by pavement or slab. This is an ultimate value.

Note: The pressures recommended above are based on the assumption that the backfill will be compacted to 90% of the maximum dry density. The use of select may lower the recommended driving earth pressure. The revisiting pressure provided is an ultimate value. An appropriate factor of safety is recommended.

Friction acting along the base of the foundation may provide resistance to lateral loading. The coefficient of friction is estimated to be 0.33 for native soils compacted to 90% of the maximum dry density, and may be used with dead loads. This value may be increase by 1/3 for total loads, including seismic forces. Frictional and passive resistance may be combined without reduction.

The above values are for retaining walls that have been supplied with a proper subdrain system. All walls should be designed to support any adjacent structural surcharge loads imposed by other nearby walls, footings or vehicular traffic within a distance approximately equal to the height of the wall.

Retaining walls over six feet in height may need to be designed for a seismic load force that is applied to the static forces when the seismic shaking occurs. The geotechnical consultant should be contacted for retaining walls over six feet in height

#### 11.3.2 Wall Backfill

Backfill behind shallow retaining walls or walls below grade should consist of non-expansive granular materials. Wall backfill should not contain organic material, rubble, debris, and rocks or cemented fragments larger than 3 inches in greatest dimension. In the case where no shoring was used, the granular backfill should extend outward from the base of the wall to ground surface at a 1:1 (horizontal: vertical) slope. The geotechnical consultant should be allowed the opportunity to sample and test and comment about the adequacy of the proposed imported backfill material once adequate quantities to complete the project are on site.

Backfill should be placed in lifts not exceeding 8 to 10 inches in thickness measured loose, moisture conditioned to above optimum moisture content and mechanically compacted with hand-operated equipment to minimum 90 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D 1557. Walls below grade that are not free to deflect should be properly braced prior to placement and compaction of backfill. **Compaction should be verified by testing.** 

#### 11.3.3 Drainage and Waterproofing

It is recommended that waterproofing be provided behind the retaining walls to help reduce efflorescent formation.

Walls designed for drained earth pressures shall have adequate drainage provided behind the walls. Subdrains or weep holes at the base of the walls shall be incorporated into design. Wall backdrains shall be designed by a registered Civil Engineer.

#### 12.0 CORROSION AND CHEMICAL ATTACK

Soluble sulfate, pH, resistivity and chloride concentration test results are presented in Appendix B. The Resistivity (CTM 643) test results on a bulk soil sample from the site indicated that on-site soils are not corrosive when in contact with ferrous material (15,000 ohm-cm).

Corrosion test results also indicate that the surficial soils at the site have negligible sulfate attack potential (197 ppm) on concrete, according to the ACI 318 Table 4.3.1. Type II cement should be used in all concrete that may be in contact with the on-site soils.

Based on the preliminary chemical analysis performed on a sample of the native soil, foundation concrete shall consist of type II cement with a minimum compressive strength of 2,500 psi as indicated in the ACI 318 Table 4.3.1. A higher compressive strength may be required by the structural engineer. Additional soil chemical analysis during grading is recommended. The minimum concrete compressive strength should be determined by the structural engineer.

The chemical test results should be distributed to the project design team for their interpretations pertaining to the corrosivity or reactivity of the construction materials (ferrous metals, and piping). Chemical test results performed on a bulk soil sample obtained during the field investigation are presented in Appendix C.

#### 13.0 EXCAVATIONS

It is Bruin GSI's opinion that standard construction techniques should be sufficient for site excavations. All excavations should be made in accordance with applicable regulations, including CAL/OSHA for and OSHA type "C" soil. Project safety is the contractor's responsibility and the owner. Bruin GSI will not be responsible for project safety.

The attention of contractors, particularly the underground contractors, should be drawn to the State of California Construction Safety Orders for "Excavations, Trenches, and Earthwork." Trenches or excavations greater than five (5) feet in depth should be shored or sloped back in accordance with OSHA Regulations prior to entry.

Open excavations, unshored or unsurcharged (above the groundwater level) may be cut vertically to a maximum depth of no more than five feet. Excavations higher than five feet should be sloped back at a minimum 1.5:1 (horizontal to vertical) slope or flatter or shored. Sloughing will occur if the soil is dry or dries our while open. No excavation should be made within a 1:1 line projected outward from the toe of any existing foundation or structure.

No heavy equipment or other surcharge loads (i.e. excavation spoils) should be allowed within the top of slope a distance equal to the depth of the excavation, both measured from the top of the excavation.

Soil backfill around foundations or behind walls below grade should be placed in lifts not exceeding eight to ten inches, measured loose, moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content and uniformly mechanically compacted to minimum 90% relative compaction as determined by ASTM D 1557 test method. Flooding or jetting is not recommended.

#### 14.0 UTILITY TRENCHES AND BACKFILL

Standard construction techniques should be sufficient for site utility trench excavations. Utility trenches often settle even when backfill is placed under optimum conditions.

Trench backfill shall be moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content, placed in lifts not exceeding eight to ten inches, measured loose, and uniformly compacted to minimum 90% of the maximum dry density with mechanical compaction equipment. **No flooding or jetting is not recommended.** 

Backfill of public utilities within road right-of-ways or on the subject site should be placed in strict conformance with the requirements of the governing agency. As a minimum it is recommended that utility trench backfill should be moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content, placed in lifts not exceeding eight to ten inches, measured loose, (depending on means of compaction) and uniformly compacted to minimum 90% of the maximum dry density with mechanical compaction equipment. If aggregate base is used for backfill material, it should be moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content, placed in eight to ten inch lifts, measured loose, and uniformly compacted to minimum 95% of the maximum dry density using mechanical compaction equipment. **Compaction should be verified by testing.**  For purposes of this section of the report, "bedding" is defined as material placed in a trench up to one (1) foot above a utility pipe, and "backfill" is all material placed in the trench above the bedding. Unless concrete bedding is required around utility pipes, freedraining sand should be used as bedding. Sand proposed for use as bedding should be tested in our laboratory to verify its suitability and measure its compaction characteristics. Sand bedding should be compacted by mechanical means to achieve at least 90% relative compaction based on ASTM D 1557.

Backfill operations should be observed and tested by the Geotechnical Consultant to monitor compliance with these recommendations.

Where utility trenches enter the footprint of the building, trenches should be backfilled through their entire depths with on-site fill materials, sand-cement slurry, or concrete rather than with any sand or gravel shading. This "Plug" of less- or non-permeable materials will mitigate the potential for water to migrate though the backfilled trenches from outside of the building to the areas beneath the foundations and floor slabs.

The backfill soil should be moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content, placed in lifts not exceeding eight to ten inches, measured loose, (depending on means of compaction) and uniformly compacted to minimum 90% of the maximum dry density with mechanical compaction equipment.

#### 15.0 INTERIOR CONCRETE SLAB-ON-GRADE

It should be understood that as a manufactured product, concrete will crack even under ideal conditions. It is our experience that shrinkage is more pronounced in the Antelope valley due to environmental conditions (high winds, daily extreme temperature differences and low humidity. Appropriate mix designs, placement procedures and concrete curing methods should be planned and implemented during construction in order to reduce the occurrence and magnitude of concrete shrinkage cracking.

Interior slab-on-grade construction should be supported by six feet of compacted soil, prepared as recommended in Section 10.2 of this report.

#### 15.1 Vapor Barrier and Water Proofing

It is recommended that a vapor retarded/waterproofing be placed below the concrete slab on grade. Vapor/moisture transmission through slabs does occur and can impact various components of the structure.

Vapor retarded/waterproofing designing and inspection of installation is not the responsibility of the geotechnical engineer (most often the responsibility of the architect). Bruin Geotechnical Services, Inc. does not practice in the field of water

and moisture vapor transmission evaluation/mitigation. Therefore, we recommend that a qualified person/firm be engaged/consulted to evaluate the general and specific water and moisture vapor transmission paths and any impact on the proposed development. This person/firm should provide recommendations for mitigation of potential adverse impact of water and moisture vapor transmission on various components of the structure ad deemed necessary. The actual waterproofing design shall be provided by the architect, structural engineer or contractor with experience in waterproofing.

In order to promote good building practices and alert the rest of the design/construction team of the appropriate standards and expect recommendations pertaining to vapor barriers/retarders, engineers (especially those aware of the issues surrounding blow-slab moisture protection and its effect on the success of their projects) should consider recommending and citing specific performance characteristics. The following paragraph includes criteria from the latest standards and expert recommendations and should be considered for use in your firm's own recommendations:

Vapor barrier shall consist of a minimum 15 mil extruded polyolefin plastic (no recycled content of woven materials permitted). Permeance as tested before and after mandatory conditions (ASTM E 17455 Section 7.1 and Sub-Paragraph 7.1.1-7.1.5): less than 0.01 perms [grains/(ft<sup>2</sup>-hr-inHg)] and comply with the ASTM E1745 Class A requirements. Install vapor barrier according to ASTM E1643, including proper perimeter seal. Basis of design: Stego Wrap Vapor Barrier 15 mil and Stego Crete Claw Tape (perimeter seal tape). Approved Alternatives: Vaporguard by Reef Industries, Sundance 15 mil Vapor Barrier by Sundance Inc.

The vapor barrier shall be covered with 2 inches of clean sand to aid in curing and prevent puncture. The sand shall be moistened prior to concrete placement.

#### 15.2 Thickness and Joint Spacing

Concrete slab-on-grade should be at least 5 inches thick and provided with frequent construction joints or expansion joints. The slab-on-grade should have a minimum compressive strength of 2,500 psi at 28 days. More stringent requirements may be required by the structural engineer. If forklifts or heavy trucks are anticipated, the slab thickness should be a minimum of 6".

#### 15.3 Reinforcement

Reinforcement of the slab-on-grade is contingent on the structural engineer's recommendations and the Expansion Index of the supporting soil. As a minimum, reinforcement should consist of No. 3 bars spaced 18 inches on center, both ways. The reinforcement should be positioned near the middle of the slabs by means of

concrete chairs or brick. Additional reinforcement may be required by the structural engineer

#### 15.4 Subgrade Preparation

As further measure to minimize cracking of concrete flatwork, the subgrade soils and all utility line trenches below concrete slab-on-grade areas should first be compacted to a minimum relative compaction of **90 percent** and then thoroughly moistened to achieve a moisture content that is near optimum moisture content. A **representative of the project geotechnical consultant should observe and verify the density and moisture content of the soils, and the depth or moisture penetration prior to pouring concrete.** 

#### 16.0 EXTERIOR CONCRETE FLATWORK (PATIOS, WALKWAYS, SIDEWALKS, etc.)

It should be understood that as a manufactured product, concrete will crack even under ideal conditions. It is our experience that shrinkage is more pronounced in the Antelope valley due to environmental conditions (high winds, daily extreme temperature differences and low humidity. Appropriate mix designs, placement procedures and concrete curing methods should be planned and implemented during construction in order to reduce the occurrence and magnitude of concrete shrinkage cracking.

Exterior PCC Pavement construction should be supported by at least 18 inches of compacted soil, prepared as recommended in Section 10.4 of this report. At locations where slabs cross trenches, observation and testing of trench backfill should be performed to confirm uniformity of conditions.

#### 16.1 Thickness and Joint Spacing

To reduce the potential of unsightly cracking, concrete sidewalks, patio-type slabs should be at least 4 inches thick and provided with frequent construction joints or expansion joints, especially at area of re-entrant corners, to help control cracking. Exterior perimeter slabs should be designed relatively independent of the foundation stems (free-floating) to help cracking due to settlement and /or expansion.

#### 16.2 Reinforcement

Reinforcement of the exterior slab-on-grade is contingent on the structural engineer's recommendations and the Expansion Index of the supporting soil. As a minimum, reinforcement should consist of No. 3 bars spaced 24 inches on center, both ways. The reinforcement should be positioned near the middle of the slabs by

means of concrete chairs or brick. Additional reinforcement may be required by the structural engineer.

#### 16.3 Subgrade Preparation

As further measure to minimize cracking of concrete flatwork, the subgrade soils below concrete flatwork areas should first be compacted to a minimum relative compaction of 90 percent and then thoroughly moistened to achieve a moisture content that is near optimum moisture content. Pre-wetting of the soils to a depth of six inches a maximum of 24 hours prior to concrete placement will promote uniform curing of the concrete and minimize the development of shrinkage cracks. A representative of the project geotechnical consultant should observe and verify the density and moisture content of the soils, and the depth or moisture penetration a maximum of 24 hours prior to pouring concrete.

#### 17.0 RIGID (PCC) PAVEMENT

It should be understood that as a manufactured product, concrete will crack even under ideal conditions. It is our experience that shrinkage is more pronounced in the Antelope Valley due to environmental conditions (high winds, daily extreme temperature differences and low humidity. Appropriate mix designs, placement procedures and concrete curing methods should be planned and implemented during construction in order to reduce the occurrence and magnitude of concrete shrinkage cracking.

Exterior slab-on-grade construction should be supported by at least 24 inches of compacted soil, prepared as recommended in Section 10.3 of this report. At locations where slabs cross trenches, observation and testing of trench backfill should be performed to confirm uniformity of conditions.

#### 17.1 Thickness and Joint Spacing

To reduce the potential of unsightly cracking, rigid concrete pavement should be at least five (5) inches thick (six inches thick in heavy truck areas) and provided with frequent construction joints or expansion joints, especially at area of re-entrant corners, to help control cracking. Perimeter pavement should be designed relatively independent of the foundation stems (free-floating) to help cracking due to settlement and /or expansion

#### 17.2 Reinforcement

Reinforcement of the exterior pavement is contingent on the structural engineer's recommendations and the Expansion Index of the supporting soil. As a minimum, reinforcement should consist of No. 3 bars spaced 24 inches on center, both ways.

The reinforcement should be positioned near the middle of the slabs by means of concrete chairs or brick. Additional reinforcement may be required by the structural engineer.

#### 17.3 Subgrade Preparation

As further measure to minimize cracking of concrete flatwork, the upper twelve inches of subgrade soils below concrete flatwork areas should first be compacted to a minimum relative compaction of 95 percent and then thoroughly moistened to achieve a moisture content that is near optimum moisture content. Pre-wetting of the soils to a depth of six inches a maximum of 24 hours prior to concrete placement will promote uniform curing of the concrete and minimize the development of shrinkage cracks. A representative of the project geotechnical consultant should observe and verify the density and moisture content of the soils, and the depth or moisture penetration a maximum of 24 hours prior to pouring concrete.

#### **18.0 PRELIMINARY FLEXIBLE PAVEMENT DESIGN**

Asphalt-concrete pavements shall be designed per the Caltrans Highway Design Manual based on R-Value and Traffic Index. An R-value of the native soil of 44 was utilized for the preliminary structural pavement section. During grading as soils are mixed, soil samples should be obtained and tested for R-Value determination.

For pavement design, the <u>preliminary</u> flexible pavement layer thickness is as follows:

Pavement Material	Recommended Thickness (TI = 6.0) Drive Areas and Truck Lanes	Recommended Thickness (TI = 5.0) Auto Stalls		
Asphalt Concrete	3 1⁄2"	3 1⁄2"		
Class II Aggregate Base (R=78)	6"	5″		
Compacted Subgrade	24"	24"		

#### **RECOMMENDED ASPHALT PAVEMENT SECTION LAYER THICKNESS**

Asphalt concrete should conform to Sections 203 and 302 of the latest edition of the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction ("Greenbook").

Class II aggregate base should conform to Section 26 of the Caltrans Standard Specifications, latest edition. The sub-base should have a minimum R-value of 50. The aggregate base and sub-base material should be compacted to at least 95 percent of the maximum dry density as determined by ASTM Method D 1557.

#### **19.0 CONSTRUCTION CONSIDERATIONS**

Based on our field exploration program, earthwork can be performed with conventional construction equipment.

#### **19.1** Temporary Dewatering

Groundwater was not encountered in any of our borings to the maximum depth of our explorations. Based on the anticipated excavation depths, the need for temporary dewatering is considered low.

#### **19.2** Construction Slopes

Excavations during construction should be conducted so that slope failure and excessive ground movement will not occur. The short-term stability of excavation depends on many factors, including slope angle, engineering characteristics of the subsoils, height of the excavation and length of time the excavation remains unsupported and exposed to equipment vibrations, rainfall and desiccation.

Where spacing permits, and providing that adjacent facilities are adequately supported, open excavations may be considered. In general, unsupported slopes for temporary construction excavations should not be expected to stand at an inclination steeper than 1:1 (horizontal: vertical). The temporary excavation side walls may be cut vertically to a height of 3 feet and then laid back at a 1:1 slope ratio above a height of 3 feet.

Surcharge loads (equipment, spoil piles, etc.) should be kept away from the top of temporary excavations a horizontal distance equal to the depth of excavation. Surface drainage should be controlled along the top of temporary excavations to preclude wetting of the soils and erosion of the excavation faces. Even with the implementation of the above recommendations, sloughing of the surface of the temporary excavations may still occur, and workmen should be adequately protected from such sloughing.

#### **19.3** Temporary Shoring

If shoring is considered, Bruin GSI should be notified in order to provide appropriate design parameters.

#### 20.0 ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Final project plans and specifications should be reviewed prior to construction to confirm that the full intent of the recommendations presented herein have been applied to design and construction. This report is based on the assumption that an adequate testing and inspection program along with client consultation will be performed during final design and construction phases to verify compliance with the recommendations of this report.

Retaining Bruin GSI as the geotechnical consultant to provide additional services from preliminary design through project completion will assure continuity of services.

Additional services include:

- Consultation during design stages of the project.
- Review, stamp and signature of the grading and building plans.
- Observation and testing during rough grading, fine grading and trench backfill as well as placement of engineered fill.
- Consultation as required during construction.

Cost estimates can be prepared if requested. Please contact our office.

#### 21.0 LIMITATIONS AND UNIFORMITY OF CONDITIONS

This report is based on the development plans provided to our office. If structure design changes or structure locations changes occur, the conclusion and recommendations in this report may not be considered valid unless the changes are reviewed and the conclusions of this report are modified or approved by the Geotechnical Consultant.

The subsurface conditions and characteristics described herein have been projected from individual borings or test pits placed across the subject property. Actual variations in the subsurface conditions and characteristics may occur.

If conditions encountered during construction differ from those described in this report, this office should be notified so as to consider the necessity for modifications. No responsibility for construction compliance with the design concepts, specifications, or recommendations is assumed unless on-site construction review is performed during the course of construction, which pertains to the specific recommendations contained herein.

It is recommended that Bruin GSI be provided the opportunity for a general review of final design and specifications in order that earthwork and foundation recommendations may be properly interpreted and implemented in the design specifications. If Bruin GSI is not

accorded the privilege of making this recommended review, Bruin GSI can assume no responsibility for misinterpretation of the recommendations contained in this report.

This report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted practice and standards in this community at this time. No warranties, either expressed or implied, are made as to the professional advice provided under the terms of the agreement and included in this report. This report has been prepared for the exclusive use of Patriot Construction & Development, Inc. and his authorized agents. Unauthorized reproduction of any portion of this report without expressed written permission is prohibited.

If parties other than Bruin GSI are engaged to provide construction geotechnical services, they must be notified that they will be required to assume complete responsibility for the geotechnical phase of the project by concurring with the findings and recommendations in this report or providing alternate recommendations.

#### 22.0 CLOSURE

The conclusions, recommendations, and opinions presented herein are: (1) based upon our evaluation and interpretations of the limited data obtained from our field and laboratory programs; (2) based upon an interpolation of soil conditions between and beyond the borings; (3) are subject to confirmation of the actual conditions encountered during construction; and, (4) are based upon the assumption that sufficient observation and testing will be provided during the grading, infrastructure installation and building phases of site development.

APPENDIX A

Boring Logs and Classification Key

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		GLOTECHIN SERVICES 1004	RICAL INC.		Drill Bit Size/Type	8"	Checked By: MS				
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Depth	Sample	nscs	Graphic Log		Ν	laterial Description		Penetration Resistance (Blows/6")	Dry Unit Weight pcf	Water Content %	
		SM		Yellowish bro	own silty fine to	medium sand w/ coarse sand (	slightly cemented)	10-28	110.4	2.9	
		SM		Yellowish bro	ellowish brown silty fine to coarse sand w/ occ. #4 gravel (slightly cemented)					2.6	
	5'	SP		Light reddish	n brown slightly	silty fine to coarse sand w/ occ.	#4 gravel	6-9	103.6	1.2	
					Loose, dry ht reddish brown fine to coarse sand w/ occ. 3/8" gravel Medium dense, slightly moist				100.4		
		SP		Light reddish				10-14	106.1	2.0	
1	0'	SP		Reddish brov	own fine to coarse sand w/ occ. 3/8" gravel			14-16	104.3	1.1	
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	SM/SP		Yellowish bro	own slightly slty	fine to medium sand w/ coarse	sand & occ. #4 gravel	9-10-12		2.3	
10'	∭ SP		Yellowish bro	own slightly silty	fine to coarse sand w/ occ. #4 Medium dense, dry	gravel	9-10-10		1.0	
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Client: Patriot Construction				Groundwater	None Encountered	Boring Location:	See Fi	gure 2		
Project Number: 18-360				Borehole Backfill	Native/ Cuttings	Notes:				
Project Location: 10th St. E / Ave O-12				Hammer Data	140#, 30'' drop					
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20'	SM		Brown silty fi	ne to coarse sa	and w/ occ. #4 gravel			17-23	112.7	2.7
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25'	SP		light brown s	lightly silty fing	to coarse sand $w/$ occ. $\#/-1/2"$	gravel		19-45	128.6	25
			Very dense, slightly moist					,0-40	120.0	2.0
30'	SP		Reddish brov	vn slightly silty	fine to coarse sand w/ occ. #4 g	ravel		10-50/5"	119.2	2.6
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Т	Sampling Method(s)	SPT/Bulk	Total Depth of Borehole 15' bgs						
Client: Patriot Construction	Groundwater	None Encountered	Boring Location: See Figure 2						
Project Number: 18-360	Borehole Backfill	Native/ Cuttings	Notes:	·					
Project Location: 10th St. E / Av	ve O-12 Hammer Data	140#, 30'' drop							
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## **Bruin Geotechnical Services**

Soils Key

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SOIL CLASSIFICATION KEY									
	I	Major Divisior	Typical Names						
	Gravels	Clean gravels	GW		Well graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures				
eve	More than half	fines	GP		Poorly graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures				
oils #200 si	coarse-fraction is larger than No. 4 sieve size	Gravel with	GM		Silty gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-silt mixtures				
ained S er than		over 12% fines	GC		Clayey gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-clay mixtures				
arse Gr ore larg		Clean sands	SW		Well graded sands, gravelly sands				
Cc % or m	Sands More than half coarse-fraction is smaller than No. 4 sieve size	with little or no fines	SP		Poorly graded sands, gravelly sands				
50		Sands with over	SM		Silty sands, poorly graded sand-silt mixtures				
		12% fines	SC		Clayey sands, poorly graded sand-clay mixtures				
ve			ML		Inorganic silts, rock flour, clayey silts				
; #200 sie	Silts an Liquid limit l	CL		Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, sandy clays, silty clays					
ed Soils r than #			OL		Organic clays and organic silty clays of low plasticity				
le Grain smalle:			MH		Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sandy/silty soils, elastic silts				
Fin Dr more	Silts ar Liquid limit gre	СН		Inorganic clays with high plasticity, fat clays					
50% (			ОН		Organic clays of medium to high plasticity, organic silts				
	Highly Orga	anic Soils	Pt		Peat and other highly organic soils				

CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM BASED ON UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

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Key to Boring Log

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Depth	Sample USCS	Graphic Log	Materi	al Description	Penetration Resistance (Blows/6")	Dry Unit Weight pcf	Water Content %		
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COLU	MN DESC	RIPTION	IS						
<ul> <li>1 Depth: depth in feet below the ground surface.</li> <li>2 Sample: type of sample taken at depth incurred</li> <li>3 USCS: USCS symbol of the subsurface material.</li> <li>4 Grading Log: graphic depiction of the subsurface material encountered.</li> <li>5 Material Description: description of the material encountered. May include consistency, moisture color, and other descriptive text.</li> <li>6 Blow Count/ft: number of blows to advance driven one foot (or distance shown) beyond seating intervent the hammer identified on the boring log.</li> <li>7 Dry Unit Weight pcf: dry weight per unit volume of sample measured in laboratory, in pounds per cute</li> <li>8 Water Content %: water content of the soil sample expressed as a percentage of fry weight sample.</li> </ul>									
FIELD	AND LAB	ORATO	RY TEST ABBREVIATION	<u>S</u>					
DIST=	Disturbed			CHEM= Chemical tests to asse	ss corrosivity				
N/A= N	lot Analyzed								
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	Standar	d Peneti	ration Test						
	Bulk Sar	nple							
	Grab Sa	mple							
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APPENDIX B

Laboratory Test Data

## SUMMARY OF LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

### SIEVE ANALYSIS

Percent passing individual sieves

Sample I.D.	3/4"	1/2"	3/8"	#4	#10	#40	#100	#200
B1@2'			100	99	96	69	46	33
B1@8'		100	99	96	84	31	9	6
B1@10'		100	99	98	94	48	16	10
B2@4'			100	98	91	57	30	20
B2@8'	100	99	98	96	88	49	16	10
B2@15'		100	99	97	85	68	50	
B3@5'	100	99	99	96	87	49	24	14
B3@7'		100	99	92	69	23	10	6
B3@20'			100	99	88	56	38	24
B4@5'			100	99	94	59	30	19
B4@10'	100	98	98	93	84	51	24	15
B5@5'		100	99	97	87	33	9	6
B5@7'			100	98	90	41	8	4
B5@25'	100	99	99	98	92	60	39	32
B6@6'	100	99	98	91	77	32	11	7
B6@10'			100	99	95	48	20	14

### SAND EQUIVALENT

Sample I.D.	Sand Equivalent
B1@6'	63
B2@10'	52
B2@20'	75
B3@9'	70
B4@3'	31
B5@10'	65

#### **EXPANSION INDEX**

Sample	Expansion Index	Classification
E1@0-5'	0	Non-Expansive

## **Bruin Geotechnical Services Inc.**

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Project Number: Project Name: Lab ID Number: Sample Location Description:		:	19-02         Patriot Construction & Development, Inc.         B2         B2 0'-5'         Moderate brown slightly silty fine to medium sand w/ coarse sand         Sieve Size         Maximum Density:       132 pcf         3/4"												March 4, 2019 ASTM D-1557 C Rammer Type: 10# & occ. #4 gravel <b>% Retained</b>										
			Opt	timu	IM	Mo	oist	ur	e:			8.5%	/0					3/8" #4							
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## Maximum Density/Optimum Moisture Proctor ASTM D698/D1557

Moisture Content, percent























## <u>R - VALUE TEST</u> ASTM D - 2844 / CAL 301

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Project Number Project Name Date Sample Location/Curve Number Soil Classification 12619014 Patriot #18360 Bruin Geotechnical 2/11/2019 Boring #2 0-5' Silty Sands

TEST	A	В	С
Percent Moisture @ Compaction, %	7.2	9.2	8.2
Dry Density, Ibm/cu.ft.	128.6	125.7	128.8
Exudation Pressure, psi	812	151	303
Expansion Pressure, (Dial Reading)	0	0	0
Expansion Pressure, psf	0	0	0
Resistance Value R	79	24	44

R Value at 300 PSI Exudation Pressure	(44)
R Value by Expansion Pressure (TI =): 5	Expansion Pressure nil



## ANAHEIM TEST LAB, INC

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BRUIN GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES, INC. 44732 Yucca Avenue Lancaster, CA 93534 DATE: 02/19/2019

P.O. NO.: TRANSMITTAL

LAB NO .: C-2646

SPECIFICATION: CTM-417/422/643

MATERIAL: Soil

Project No: 18-360 Job Name: Patriot Construction Site Address: APN: 3022-025-003, 004 & 3022-026-011, 012 City & State: Palmdale, CA

## **ANALYTICAL REPORT**

CORROSION SERIES SUMMARY OF DATA

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SOLUBLE SULFATES per CT. 417 ppm SOLUBLE CHLORIDES per CT. 422 ppm MIN. RESISTIVITY per CT. 643 ohm-cm

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B-6 @ 0-5' 6.9 Type Soil: SM 197

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15,000

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

WES BRIDGER, LAB MANAGER

**APPENDIX C** 

Seismic Design Summary Report





# 18-360 Patriot Construction & Development, Inc.

### Latitude, Longitude: 34.6048, -118.1162

Goog	Sierra Hwy	Sth St E Oth St E Oth St E Map data ©2019 Google
Date		3/18/2019, 3:22:33 PM
Design Co	ode Referer	IBC-2015
Risk Cate	gory	11
Site Class	<b>;</b>	D - Stiff Soil
Туре	Value	Description
SS	1.984	MCE <sub>R</sub> ground motion. (for 0.2 second period)
S <sub>1</sub>	0.942	MCE <sub>R</sub> ground motion. (for 1.0s period)
S <sub>MS</sub>	1.984	Site-modified spectral acceleration value
S <sub>M1</sub>	1.413	Site-modified spectral acceleration value
S <sub>DS</sub>	1.323	Numeric seismic design value at 0.2 second SA
S <sub>D1</sub>	0.942	Numeric seismic design value at 1.0 second SA
Туре	Value	Description
SDC	E	Seismic design category
F <sub>a</sub>	1	Site amplification factor at 0.2 second
F <sub>v</sub>	1.5	Site amplification factor at 1.0 second
PGA	0.772	MCE <sub>G</sub> peak ground acceleration
F <sub>PGA</sub>	1	Site amplification factor at PGA
PGA <sub>M</sub>	0.772	Site modified peak ground acceleration
TL	12	Long-period transition period in seconds
SsRT	2.636	Probabilistic risk-targeted ground motion. (0.2 second)
SsUH	2.81	Factored uniform-hazard (2% probability of exceedance in 50 years) spectral acceleration
SsD	1.984	Factored deterministic acceleration value. (0.2 second)
SIRI	1.188	Propabilistic risk-targeted ground motion. (1.0 second)
SIDH	0 0/2	Factored uninorm-nazard (2% probability of exceedance in ou years) spectral acceleration.
PGAd	0.342	Factored deterministic acceleration value. (1.0 second)
CRS	0.938	Mapped value of the risk coefficient at short periods
CP1	0.91	Mapped value of the risk coefficient at a period of 1 s
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APPENDIX D

**General Earthwork and Grading Guidelines** 

#### Earthwork and Grading Specifications for Rough Grading

#### 1.0 <u>General</u>

- **1.1 Intent:** These General Earthwork and Grading Specifications are for the grading and earthwork shown on the approved grading plan(s) and/or indicated in the geotechnical report(s). These Specifications are a part of the recommendations contained in the geotechnical report(s). In case of conflict, the specific recommendations in the geotechnical report shall supersede these more general Specifications. Observations of the earthwork by the project Geotechnical Consultant during the course of grading may result in new or revised recommendations that could supersede these specifications or the recommendations in the geotechnical report(s).
- **1.2** <u>The Geotechnical Consultant of Record:</u> Prior to commencement of work, the owner shall employ a qualified Geotechnical Consultant of Record (Geotechnical Consultant). The Geotechnical Consultant shall be responsible for reviewing the approved geotechnical report(s) and accepting the adequacy of the preliminary geotechnical findings, conclusions, and recommendations prior to the commencement of the grading.

Prior to commencement of grading, the Geotechnical Consultant shall review the "work plan" prepared by the Earthwork Contractor (Contractor) and schedule sufficient personnel to perform the appropriate level of observations, mapping, and compaction testing.

During the grading and earthwork operations, the Geotechnical Consultant shall observe, map, and document the subsurface exposures to verify the geotechnical design assumptions. If the observed conditions are found to be significantly different than the interpreted assumptions during the design phase, the Geotechnical Consultant shall inform the owner, recommend appropriate changes in design to accommodate the observed conditions, and notify the review agency where required.

The Geotechnical Consultant shall observe the moisture-conditioning and processing of the subgrade and fill materials and perform relative compaction testing of fill to confirm that the attained level of compaction is being accomplished as specified. The Geotechnical Consultant shall provide the test results to the owner and the Contractor on a routine and frequent basis.

**1.3 The Earthwork Contractor:** The Earthwork Contractor (Contractor) shall be qualified, experienced, and knowledgeable in earthwork logistics, preparation and processing of ground to receive fill, moisture-conditioning and processing of fill, and compacting fill. The Contractor shall review and accept plans, geotechnical report(s), and these Specifications prior to commencement of grading. The Contractor shall be solely responsible for performing the grading in accordance with the project plans and specifications. The Contractor shall prepare and submit to the owner and the Geotechnical Consultant a work plan that indicates the sequence of earthwork grading, the number of "equipment" of work and the estimated quantities of daily earthwork contemplated for the site prior to commencement of

grading. The Contractor shall inform the owner and the Geotechnical Consultant of changes in work schedules and updates to the work plan at least 24 hours in advance of such changes so that appropriate personnel will be available for observation and testing. The Contractor shall not assume that the Geotechnical Consultant is aware of all grading operations.

The Contractor shall have the sole responsibility to provide adequate equipment and methods to accomplish the earthwork in accordance with the applicable grading codes and agency ordinances, these Specifications, and the recommendations in the approved geotechnical report(s) and grading plan(s). If, in the opinion of the Geotechnical Consultants, unsatisfactory conditions, such as unsuitable soil, improper moisture-condition, inadequate compaction, insufficient buttress key size, adverse weather, etc., are resulting in a quality of work less than required in the specifications, the Geotechnical Consultant shall reject the work and may recommend to the owner that construction be stopped until the conditions are rectified. It is the contractor's sole responsibility to provide proper fill compaction.

#### 2.0 Preparation of Areas to be Filled

2.1 <u>Clearing and Grubbing:</u> Vegetation, such as brush, grass, roots, and other deleterious material shall be sufficiently removed and properly disposed of in a method acceptable to the owner, governing agencies, and the Geotechnical Consultant.

The Geotechnical Consultant shall evaluate the extent of these removals depending on specific site conditions. Earth fill material shall not contain more than 1 percent of organic materials (by volume). No fill lift shall contain more than 10 percent of organic matter. Nesting of the organic materials shall not be allowed.

If potentially hazardous materials are encountered, the Contractor shall stop work in the affected area, and a hazardous material specialist shall be informed immediately for proper evaluation and handling of these materials prior to continuing to work in that area.

As presently defined by the State of California, most refined petroleum products (gasoline, diesel fuel, motor oil, grease, coolant, etc.) have chemical constituents that are considered to be hazardous waste. As such, the indiscriminant dumping or spillage of these fluids onto the ground may constitute a misdemeanor, punishable by fines and/or imprisonment, and shall not be allowed. The contractor is responsible for all hazardous waste relating to his work. The Geotechnical Consultant does not have expertise in this area. If hazardous waste is a concern, then the Client should acquire the services of a qualified environmental assessor.

**2.2** <u>**Processing:**</u> Existing ground that has been declared satisfactory for support of fill by the Geotechnical Consultant shall be scarified to a minimum depth of 6 inches. Existing ground that is not satisfactory shall be overexcavated as specified in the following section. Scarification shall continue until soils are broken down and free from oversize material and the working surface is reasonably uniform, flat, and free from uneven features that would inhibit uniform compaction.

- **2.3** <u>**Overexcavation:**</u> In addition to removals and overexcavations recommended in the approved geotechnical report(s) and the grading pan, soft, loose, dry, saturated, spongy, organic-rich, highly fractured or otherwise unsuitable ground shall be overexcavated to competent ground as evaluated by the Geotechnical Consultant during grading.
- 2.4 <u>Benching:</u> Where fills are to be places on ground with slopes steeper than 5:1 (horizontal to vertical units), the ground shall be stepped or benched. The lowest bench or key shall be a minimum of 15 feet wide and at least 2 feet deep, into competent material as evaluated by the Geotechnical Consultant. Other benches shall be excavated a minimum height of 4 feet into competent material or as otherwise recommended by the Geotechnical Consultant. Fill placed on ground sloping flatter that 5:1 shall also be benched or otherwise overexcavated to provide a flat subgrade for the fill.
- 2.5 <u>Evaluation/Acceptance of Fill Areas:</u> All areas to receive fill, including removal and processed areas, key bottoms, and benches, shall be observes, mapped, elevations recorded, and/or tested prior to being accepted by the Geotechnical Consultant as suitable to receive fill. The Contractor shall obtain a written acceptance from the Geotechnical Consultant prior to fill placement. A licensed surveyor shall provide the survey control for determining elevations of processed areas, keys, and benches.

#### 3.0 <u>Fill Material</u>

- **3.1** <u>General:</u> Material to be used as fill shall be essentially free of organic matter and other deleterious substances evaluated and accepted by the Geotechnical Consultant prior to placement. Soils of poor quality, such as those with unacceptable gradation, high expansion potential, or low strength shall be placed in areas acceptable to the Geotechnical Consultant or mixed with other soils to achieve satisfactory fill material.
- **3.2** <u>Oversize:</u> Oversize material defined as rock, or other irreducible material with a maximum dimension greater than 8 inches, shall not be buried or placed in fill unless location, materials, and placement methods are specifically accepted by the Geotechnical Consultant. Placement operations shall be such that nesting of oversized material does not occur and such that oversize material is completely surrounded by compacted or densified fill. Oversize material shall not be placed within 10 vertical feet of finish grade or within 2 feet of future utilities or underground construction.
- **3.3** <u>Import:</u> If importing of fill material is required for grading, proposed import material shall meet the requirements of the geotechnical report(s). The potential import source shall be given to the Geotechnical Consultant at least 48 hours (2 working days) before importing begins so the suitability can be determined and appropriate tests performed.

#### 4.0 Fill Placement and Compaction

- **4.1** <u>**Fill Layers:**</u> Approved fill material shall be placed in areas prepared to receive fill in near-horizontal layers not exceeding 8 inches in loose thickness. The Geotechnical Consultant may accept thicker layers if testing indicates that grading procedures can adequately compact the thicker layers. Each layer shall be spread evenly and mixed thoroughly to attain relative uniformity of material and moisture throughout.
- **4.2** <u>Fill Moisture Conditioning:</u> Fill soils shall be watered, dried back, blended, and/or mixed, as necessary to attain relatively uniform moisture content within 2% of optimum. Maximum density and optimum soil moisture content tests shall be performed in accordance with the American Society of Testing and Materials (ASTM Test Method D1557-91).
- **4.3** <u>Compaction of Fill:</u> After each layer has been moisture-conditioned, mixed, and evenly spread, it shall be uniformly compacted to not less than 90 percent of maximum dry density (ASTM Test Method D1557-91). Compaction equipment shall be adequately sized and be either specifically designed for soil compaction or of proven reliability to efficiently achieve the specified level of compaction with uniformity.
- **4.4** <u>Compaction of Fill Slopes:</u> In addition to normal compaction procedures specified above, compaction of slopes, shall be accomplished by backrolling of slopes with sheepfoot rollers at increments of 3 to 4 feet in fill elevation, or by other methods producing satisfactory results acceptable to the Geotechnical Consultant. Upon completion of grading, relative compaction of the fill, out to the slope face, shall be at least 90 percent of maximum density per ASTM Test Method D1557-91.
- **4.5** <u>**Compaction Testing:**</u> Field tests for moisture content and relative compaction of the fill soils shall be performed by the Geotechnical Consultant. Location and frequency of tests shall be at the Consultant's discretion based on field conditions encountered. Compaction test locations will not necessarily be selected on a random basis. Test locations shall be selected to verify adequacy of compaction levels in areas that are judged to be prone to inadequate compaction (such as close to slope faces and at the fill/bedrock benches).
- **4.6** <u>Frequency of Compaction Testing:</u> Tests shall be taken at intervals not exceeding 2 feet in vertical rise and/or 1,000 cubic yards of compacted fill soils embankment. In addition, as a guideline, at least one test shall be taken on slope faces for each 5,000 square feet of slope face and/or each 10 feet of vertical height of slope. The Contractor shall assure that fill construction is such that the testing schedule can be accomplished by the Geotechnical Consultant. The Contractor shall stop or slow down the earthwork construction if these minimum standards are not met.
- **4.7** <u>**Compaction Test Locations:**</u> The Geotechnical Consultant shall document the approximate elevation and horizontal coordinates of each test location. The Contractor shall coordinate with the project surveyor to assure that sufficient grade stakes are established so that the Geotechnical Consultant can determine the test locations with sufficient accuracy. At a minimum, two grade stakes within a horizontal distance of 100 feet and vertically less then 5 feet apart from potential test locations shall be provided.

#### 5.0 <u>Subdrain Installation</u>

Subdrain systems shall be installed in accordance with the approved geotechnical repot(s), the grading plan, and the Standard Details. The Geotechnical Consultant may recommend additional subdrains and/or changes in subdrain extent, location, grade, or material depending on conditions encountered during grading. All subdrains shall be surveyed by a land survey/civil engineer for line and grade after installation and prior to burial. Sufficient time should be allowed by the Contractor for these surveys.

#### 6.0 Excavation

Excavations, as well we over-excavation for remedial purposes, shall be evaluated by the Geotechnical Consultant during grading. Remedial removal depths shown on geotechnical plans are estimates only. The actual extent of removal shall be determined by the Geotechnical Consultant based on the field evaluation of exposed conditions during grading. Where fill-over-cut slopes are to be graded, the cut portion of the slope shall be made, evaluated, and accepted by the Geotechnical Consultant prior to placement of materials for construction of the fill portion of the slope, unless otherwise recommended by the Geotechnical Consultant.

#### 7.0 Trench Backfills

- 7.1 The Contractor shall follow all OHSA and Cal/OSHA requirements for safety of trench excavations.
- 7.2 All bedding and backfill of utility trenches shall be done in accordance with the applicable provisions of Standard Specifications of Public Works Construction. Bedding Material shall have a Sand Equivalent greater then 30 (SE>30). The bedding shall be placed to 1 foot over the top of the conduit and densified by jetting. Backfill shall be placed and densified to a minimum of 90 percent of maximum from 1 foot above the top of the conduit to the surface.
- **7.3** The jetting of the bedding around the conduits shall be observed by the Geotechnical Consultant.
- 7.4 The Geotechnical Consultant shall test the trench backfill for relative compaction. At least one test should be made for every 300 feet of trench and 2 feet of fill.
- **7.5** Lift thickness of trench backfill shall not exceed those allowed in the Standard Specifications of Public Works Construction unless the Contractor can demonstrate to the Geotechnical Consultant that the fill lift can be compacted to the minimum relative compaction by his alternative equipment and method.