

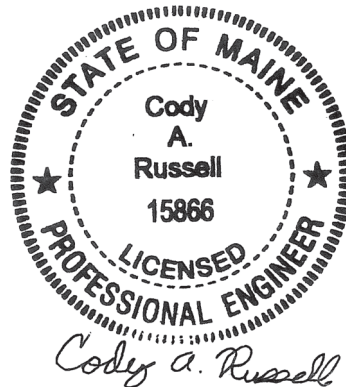
**MAINE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HIGHWAY PROGRAM
GEOTECHNICAL SECTION
AUGUSTA, MAINE**

GEOTECHNICAL DESIGN REPORT

For the Replacement of

**CROSS CULVERT XC-941218
ROUTE 11
EAGLE LAKE, MAINE**

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PROJECT DETAILS

The purpose of this Geotechnical Design Report is to present subsurface information and make geotechnical design and construction recommendations for the replacement of an existing cross culvert (XC-941218) consisting of an approximately 48-inch diameter, 90-foot long corrugated metal pipe (CMP) on Route 11 in Eagle Lake. The existing culvert is in poor condition. The culvert is located approximately 0.11 of a mile south of Makayla Drive as shown in the attached Location Map. Route 11 is a Highway Corridor Priority 2 road.

The proposed replacement structure will be a 72-inch diameter, 135-foot long CMP culvert on a skew of approximately 35.1 degrees to the roadway centerline. The invert of the proposed culvert is approximately 14 feet below the existing road grade at the roadway centerline. The roadway embankment slopes at the proposed culvert inlet and outlet shall be no steeper than 2H:1V to protect against erosion.

SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION

One (1) boring (HB-EAG-101) and one (1) probe (HB-EAG-102) were drilled on opposite, diagonal corners of the existing structure on September 24, 2019 by the MaineDOT drill crew using a trailer-mounted drill rig. Exploration locations are shown on the attached Boring Location Plan & Interpretive Subsurface Profile with Boring Logs sheet. Details and sampling methods used, field data obtained, and soil and groundwater conditions encountered are shown on the attached boring logs.

Boring HB-EAG-101 and probe HB-EAG-102 were drilled using solid stem auger drilling techniques. Soil samples were obtained in boring HB-EAG-101 at 5-foot intervals using Standard Penetration Test (SPT) methods. The MaineDOT drill rig is equipped with an automatic hammer to drive the split spoon. The MaineDOT calibrated automatic hammer delivers approximately 44 percent more energy during driving than the standard rope and cathead system. All N-values discussed in this report are corrected values (N_{60}) computed by applying an average energy transfer factor of 0.866 to the raw field N-values. No soil samples were obtained in the probe.

The MaineDOT Geotechnical Team member selected the boring and probe locations, drilling methods, designated type and depth of sampling, reviewed field logs for accuracy and identified field and laboratory testing requirements. A NorthEast Transportation Training and Certification (NETTCP) certified Subsurface Investigator logged the subsurface conditions encountered. The boring and probe were located in the field by taping to surveyed site features after completion of the drilling program.

LABORATORY TESTING

A laboratory testing program was conducted to assist in soil classification, evaluation of engineering properties of the soils and geologic assessment of the project site. Laboratory testing consisted of two (2) standard grain size analysis with natural water content and three (3) grain size analysis with hydrometer and natural water content. The results of the laboratory testing program

are discussed in the following section and are shown on the attached boring logs, Laboratory Testing Summary Sheet, and Grain Size Distribution Curve sheet.

SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

Subsurface conditions encountered at the test boring generally consisted of fill underlain by silt underlain by glacial till consisting of sand. An interpretive subsurface profile depicting the generalized soil stratigraphy at the boring location is shown on the attached Boring Location Plan & Interpretive Subsurface Profile with Boring Logs sheet.

Boring HB-EAG-101 was drilled to a depth of approximately 22.0 feet below ground surface (bgs) and did not encounter a refusal surface. Probe HB-EAG-102 was drilled to a depth of approximately 20.5 feet bgs and did not encounter a refusal surface.

The table below summarizes the field and laboratory information obtained in boring HB-EAG-101:

Approx. Depth BGS ¹ (feet)	Soil Description	AASHTO ² Classification	USCS ³	WC% ⁴
0.0 – 0.4	HMA Pavement	--	--	--
0.4 – 9.5	Fill: Brown, damp, fine to coarse sandy gravel, trace silt.	A-1-a	GW-GM	5.1
	Brown, moist, fine to coarse sand, some gravel, little silt.	A-1-b	SM	9.6
9.5 – 12.0	Native Silt: Light brown, wet, silt, some fine to coarse sand, little clay, trace gravel, some organics, wood.	A-4	CL	67.5
12.0 – 22.0	Glacial Till: Grey, wet, fine to coarse sand, some silt, some gravel, trace clay.	A-4 or A-2-4	SC-SM	10.7 to 11.9

¹BGS = below ground surface

²AASHTO = American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

³USCS = Unified Soil Classification System

⁴WC% = Water content in percent

Two (2) N₆₀-values obtained in the fill were 25 blows per foot (bpf) and 40 bpf indicating that the fill is medium dense to dense in consistency. One (1) N₆₀-value obtained in the native silt was 7 bpf, indicating that the silt is medium stiff in consistency. Two (2) N₆₀-values obtained in the glacial till were 19 bpf and 89 bpf indicating that the glacial till is medium dense to very dense in consistency.

Groundwater was recorded at a depth of approximately 10.0 feet bgs in boring HB-EAG-101. Groundwater levels can be expected to fluctuate subject to seasonal variations, local soil conditions, topography, precipitation, and construction activity.

GEOTECHNICAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION RECOMMENDATIONS

Corrugated Metal Pipe Culvert Construction – The proposed replacement structure will be 72-inch diameter, 135-foot long CMP culvert on a skew of approximately 35.1 degrees to the roadway centerline. The proposed CMP culvert shall be furnished and installed in accordance with MaineDOT Standard Specification 603.

The invert of the proposed pipe arch culvert ranges from is set at an elevation of 643.72 feet with no slope.

The full nature of the proposed culvert bearing surface will not become evident until the culvert excavation is made. Any cobbles or boulders encountered in excess of 6 inches shall be removed and replaced with compacted Granular Borrow Material for Underwater Backfill or Crushed Stone $\frac{3}{4}$ -Inch. The prepared subgrade shall be proof-rolled using a static roller to visually confirm the prepared subgrade is firm and stable. The exposed subgrade shall be free of ponded water so that bedding material placement and compaction can be completed in the dry.

The proposed structure shall be bedded on a 1-foot thick layer of Granular Borrow, Material for Underwater Backfill meeting the requirements of MaineDOT Standard Specification 703.19. The soil envelope and backfill shall consist of Standard Specification 703.19 - Granular Borrow with a maximum particle size of 4 inches. The granular borrow bedding and backfill material shall be placed in lifts of 6 to 8 inches loose measure and compacted to the manufacturer's specifications or, in the absence of manufacturer's specifications. The bedding and backfill soil shall be compacted to at least 92 percent of the AASHTO T-180 maximum dry density. All subgrade surfaces should be protected from construction traffic in order to limit disturbance.

Settlement – No settlement issues are anticipated at the site. No changes to the existing vertical or horizontal alignment are currently planned for this project. The proposed CMP culvert will be constructed in a location that will realign the existing stream. The installation of the culvert at this location will result in a net unloading of the site soils at the proposed structure location. Any settlement due to elastic compression of the bedding material will be immediate and negligible. Placement of fill soils at the location of the existing structure is not anticipated to exceed the past loading condition of the site soils.

Scour and Riprap – Both the inlet and outlet of the pipe arch culvert shall be protected against scour with riprap conforming to MaineDOT Standard Specification Section 703.26 Plain and Hand Laid Riprap. The roadway embankment slopes at the proposed culvert inlet and outlet shall be no steeper than 2H:1V. No specific scour protection recommendations are needed other than armoring with riprap. The riprap on the slopes shall be underlain by a 1-foot layer of protective aggregate cushion consisting of Granular Borrow Material for Underwater Backfill (703.19) that is underlain by a non-woven, Class 1 Erosion Control Geotextile meeting the requirements of MaineDOT

Standard Specification 722.03. The toe of the riprap sections shall be keyed into the existing soils 1 foot below the streambed elevation.

Construction Considerations – Construction activities will include construction of cofferdams and earth support systems to control stream flow during construction. Construction activities will also include common earth excavation. Construction of the corrugated metal pipe arch culvert will require soil excavation. Earth support systems shall be implemented if laying back slopes is not feasible. It is likely that the use of complex (four-sided) braced excavations with dewatering will be necessary due to the depth of the excavation. If this is the case, adequate embedment into the native soils will be necessary to allow for the excavation and maintenance of a stable excavation bottom. All earth support systems shall be designed by a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Maine. Regardless of the method of excavation, all excavations and earth support systems shall meet all applicable OSHA regulations.

Any cobbles or boulders encountered in excess of 6 inches shall be removed and replaced with compacted Granular Borrow Material for Underwater Backfill (MaineDOT 703.19) or Crushed Stone $\frac{3}{4}$ -Inch (MaineDOT 703.13). All subgrade surfaces shall be proof-rolled using a static roller to provide a firm and stable surface and protected from any unnecessary construction equipment or traffic. If disturbance and rutting occur, the Contractor shall remove and replace disturbed areas with compacted Granular Borrow for Underwater Backfill (703.19) or Crushed Stone $\frac{3}{4}$ -Inch (703.13).

The Contractor shall control groundwater and surface water infiltration using temporary ditches, sumps, granular drainage blankets, stone ditch protection or hand-laid riprap with geotextile underlayment to divert groundwater and surface water as needed to maintain a stable excavation and allow work in the dry.

Using the excavated native soils as backfill around the culvert shall not be permitted. The native soils may only be used as Common Borrow in accordance with MaineDOT Standard Specifications 203 and 703.

The Contractor will have to excavate the existing subbase and subgrade fill soils in the vicinity of the culvert. These materials should not be used to re-base the roadway. Excavated subbase sand and gravel may be used as fill below roadway subgrade level in fill areas provided all other requirements of MaineDOT Standard Specifications 203 and 703 are met.

CLOSURE

This report has been prepared for the use of the MaineDOT Highway Program and their project design consultant for specific application to the proposed replacement of a cross culvert (XC-941218) under Route 11 in Eagle Lake, Maine in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical and foundation engineering practices. No other intended use or warranty is expressed or implied.

In the event that any changes in the nature, design, or location of the proposed project are planned, this report should be reviewed by a geotechnical engineer to assess the appropriateness of the conclusions and recommendations and to modify the recommendations as appropriate to reflect

the changes in design. These analyses and recommendations are based in part upon a limited subsurface investigation at discrete exploratory location completed at the site. If variations from the conditions encountered during the investigation appear evident during construction, it may also become necessary to re-evaluate the recommendations made in this report.

It is recommended that a geotechnical engineer be provided the opportunity for a review of the design and specifications in order that the earthwork and foundation recommendations and construction considerations presented in this report are properly interpreted and implemented in the design and specifications.

Attachments:

Location Map

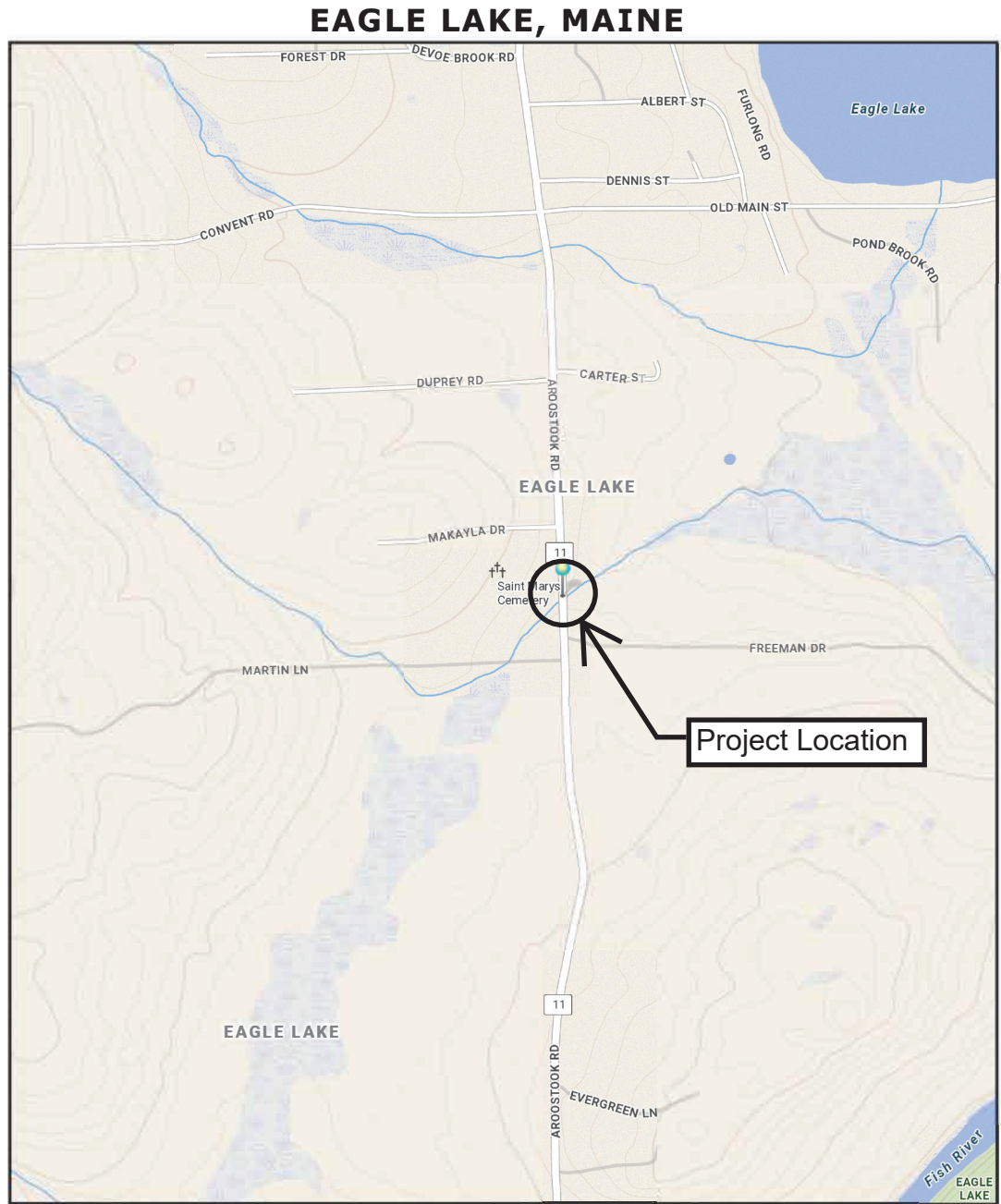
Boring Location Plan & Interpretive Subsurface Profile with Boring Logs

Key to Soil and Rock Descriptions and Terms

Boring Logs

Laboratory Testing Summary Sheet

Grain Size Distribution Curves



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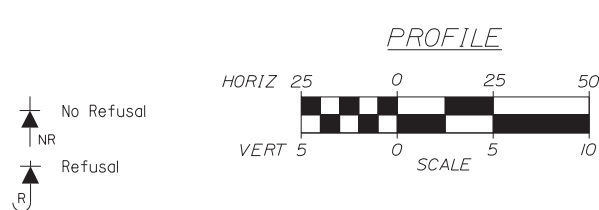
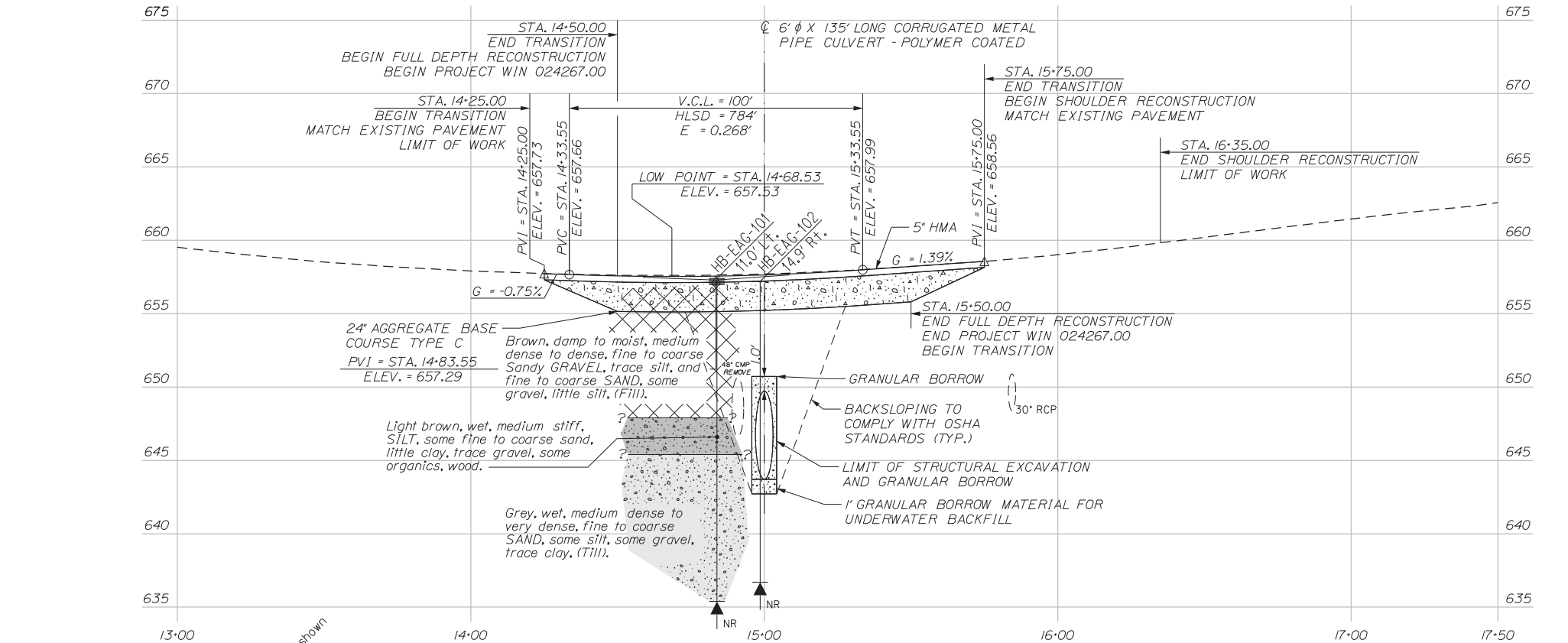
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Maine Department of Transportation Soil/Rock Exploration Log US CUSTOMARY UNITS				Project: Large Culvert Replacement on Route 11 Location: Eagle Lake, Maine		Boring No.: HB-EAG-101 WIN: 24267.00					
Driller: MaineDOT		Elevation (ft.): 657.4		Auger ID/OD: 5" Dia.							
Operator: Daggett/Aaron/Niles		Datum: NAVD88		Sampler: Standard Split Spoon							
Logged By: B. Wilder		Rig Type: CME 45C		Hammer Wt./Fall: 140#/30"							
Date Start/Finish: 9/24/2019; 08:00-10:30		Drilling Method: Solid Stem Auger		Core Barrel: N/A							
Boring Location: 14+83.9, 11.0 ft Lt.		Casing ID/OD: N/A		Water Level*: 10.0 ft bgs.							
Hammer Efficiency Factor: 0.866		Hammer Type: Automatic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hydraulic <input type="checkbox"/> Rope & Cathead <input type="checkbox"/>									
Definitions: D = Split Spoon Sample MD = Unsuccessful Split Spoon Sample Attempt U = Thin Wall Tube Sample MU = Unsuccessful Thin Wall Tube Sample Attempt V = Field Vane Shear Test, PP = Pocket Penetrometer MV = Unsuccessful Field Vane Shear Test Attempt R = Rock Core Sample SSA = Solid Stem Auger HSA = Hollow Stem Auger RC = Roller Cone WOH = Weight of 140lb. Hammer WOR/C = Weight of Rods or Casing WO1P = Weight of One Person S _u = Peak/Remolded Field Vane Undrained Shear Strength (psf) S _{u(lab)} = Lab Vane Undrained Shear Strength (psf) q _p = Unconfined Compressive Strength (ksf) N-uncorrected = Raw Field SPT N-value Hammer Efficiency Factor = Rig Specific Annual Calibration Value N ₆₀ = SPT N-uncorrected Corrected for Hammer Efficiency N ₆₀ = (Hammer Efficiency Factor/60%)*N-uncorrected T _v = Pocket Torvane Shear Strength (psf) WC = Water Content, percent LL = Liquid Limit PL = Plastic Limit PI = Plasticity Index G = Grain Size Analysis C = Consolidation Test											
Depth (ft.)	Sample Information							Elevation (ft.)	Graphic Log	Visual Description and Remarks	Laboratory Testing Results/AASHTO and Unified Class.
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	1D	24/19	1.00 - 3.00	11/14/14/10	28	40					
5	2D	24/14	5.00 - 7.00	6/9/8/10	17	25					
10	3D	24/17	10.00 - 12.00	2/2/3/3	5	7					
15	4D	24/18	15.00 - 17.00	6/6/7/9	13	19					
20	5D	24/19	20.00 - 22.00	18/25/37/47	62	89					
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Remarks:

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 * Water level readings have been made at times and under conditions stated. Groundwater fluctuations may occur due to conditions other than those present at the time measurements were made.

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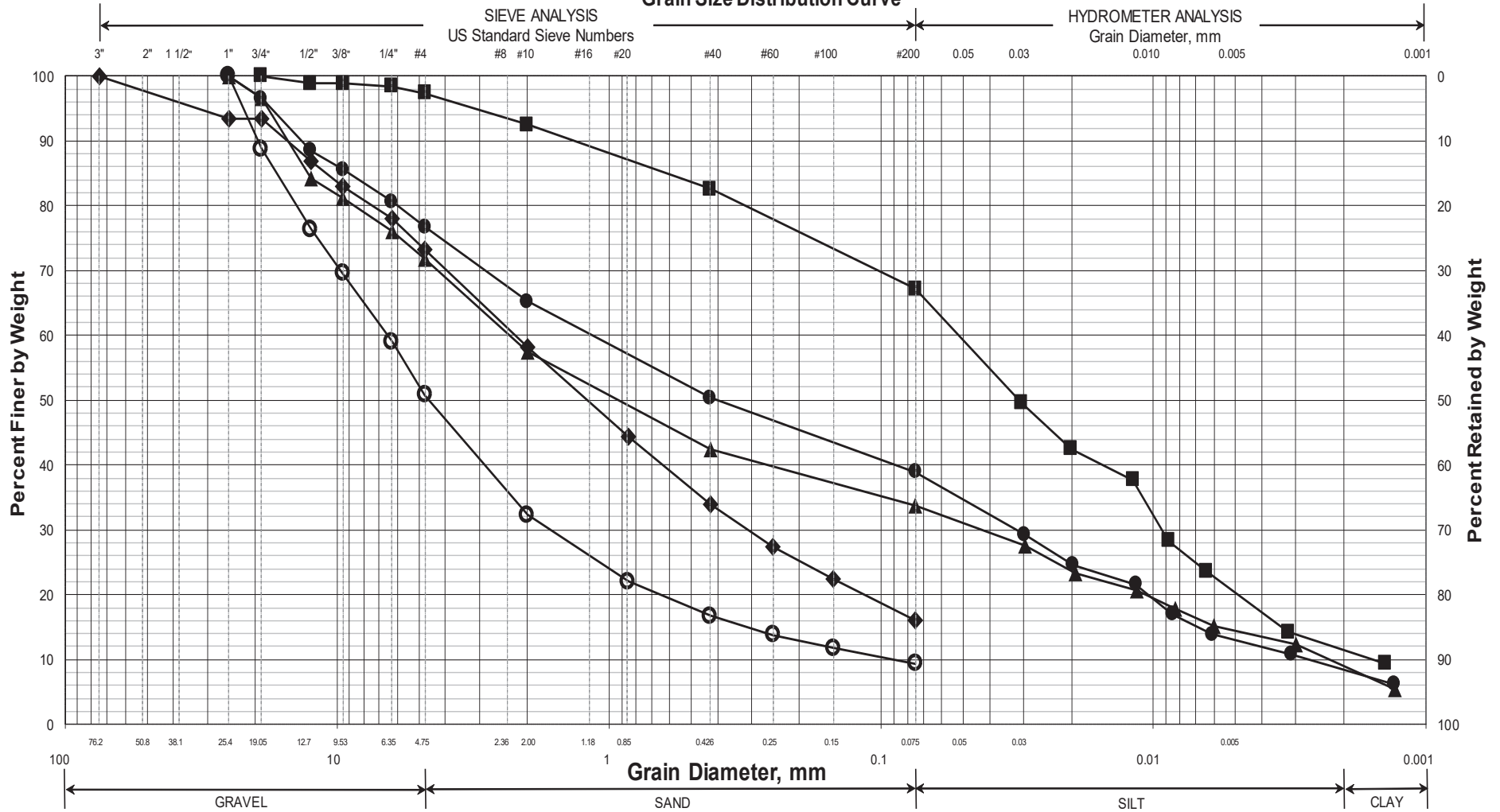
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Drilling Contractor: MaineDOT				Elevation (ft.): 657.2				Auger ID/OD: 5" Dia.		
Operator: Daggett/Aaron/Niles				Datum: NAVD88				Sampler: N/A		
Logged By: B. Wilder				Rig Type: CME 45C				Hammer Wt./Fall: N/A		
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Boring Location: 14+98.6, 14.9 ft Rt.				Casing ID/OD: N/A				Water Level*: None Observed		
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PI = Plasticity Index as determined by AASHTO 90-96 and/or ASTM D4318-98

Maine Department of Transportation Grain Size Distribution Curve



UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION

	Boring/Sample No.	Station	Offset, ft	Depth, ft	Description	WC, %	LL	PL	PI
○	HB-EAG-101/1D	14+83.9	11.0 LT	1.0-3.0	Sandy GRAVEL, trace silt.	5.1			
◆	HB-EAG-101/2D	14+83.9	11.0 LT	5.0-7.0	SAND, some gravel, little silt.	9.6			
■	HB-EAG-101/3D	14+83.9	11.0 LT	10.0-12.0	SILT, some sand, little clay, trace gravel.	67.5			
●	HB-EAG-101/4D	14+83.9	11.0 LT	15.0-17.0	SAND, some silt, some gravel, trace clay.	11.9			
▲	HB-EAG-101/5D	14+83.9	11.0 LT	20.0-22.0	SAND, some gravel, some silt, trace clay.	10.7			
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