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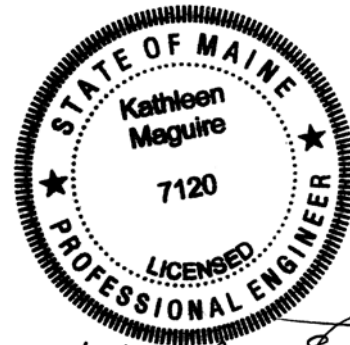
**GEOTECHNICAL SERIES 100 REPORT**

*For the Rehabilitation of:*

**FORD BRIDGE  
OVER LITTLE RIVER  
LEBANON, MAINE**

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## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

A limited subsurface investigation has been completed at the Ford Bridge site on Fall Road in Lebanon, Maine. The initial purpose of the subsurface investigation was to provide data and recommendations for the replacement of the existing bridge. A decision was made by the Maine Department of Transportation (MaineDOT) Bridge Program and Calderwood Engineering during the development of the Preliminary Design Report (PDR) to rehabilitate rather than replace the structure. This report presents the geotechnical information obtained at the site for use by the design team and bidding contractors.

The existing Ford Bridge carries Fall Road over Little River and was constructed in 1950. The bridge consists of a single-span, steel girder superstructure with a steel grid deck founded on mass, dry laid, stone abutments. The abutments may date back to the 1800's. The abutment foundation and full abutment height are not known. The structure has a span length of approximately 34 feet. The 2010 Maine Department of Transportation (MaineDOT) maintenance inspection reports indicate that the bridge deck is in satisfactory condition (rating of 6), the superstructure is in fair condition (rating of 5) and the substructures are in poor condition (rating of 4). The Bridge Sufficiency Rating is 36.1. The structure has a scour critical rating of "U - unknown scour" meaning that the foundations have not been evaluated for scour. Inspection records note that the bridge is in overall fair to poor condition. The abutments have voids and loose and cracked stones. Some shifting of the stones has been noted. The bridge is currently posted at 13 tons.

The MaineDOT Bridge Program is currently proposing to rehabilitate this structure. The superstructure girders will be retrofitted with a new steel plate along the bottom flange and the girders will be coated for protection. The abutments will be pressure grouted and weep holes will be installed. The top stones of the existing abutments will be removed and a concrete bearing seat slab will be poured. The concrete slab will be attached to deadmen to stabilize the top of the abutments. A cable mat will be installed across the entire channel as scour protection. A 30 year life expectancy is anticipated with this rehabilitation. The existing vertical and horizontal alignments will be maintained in the rehabilitation of the bridge. The road and bridge will be closed during construction and traffic will be detoured around the site.

## **2.0 GEOLOGIC SETTING**

Ford Bridge in Lebanon, Maine cross Little River approximately 0.18 miles northeasterly of Little River Road as shown on Sheet 1 - Location Map presented at the end of this report.

According to the Surficial Geologic Map, Sanford Quadrangle, Maine, Open File No. 97-55, published by the Maine Geological Survey (1997) the surficial soils in the vicinity of the site consist of glacial outwash deposits to the west and stream alluvium deposits to the east. The glacial outwash deposits are comprised of undifferentiated glacial-fluvial sand and gravel deposited in the Little and upper Mousam River valleys. The stream alluvium deposits are comprised of sand, silt, gravel and organic material deposited on the flood plains of modern rivers and streams.

According to the Kittery Quadrangle, Bedrock Geologic Map, Open File No. 08-78, published by the Maine Geological Survey (2008) the bedrock in the vicinity of the site is identified as well-bedded muscovite-biotite-garnet-sillimanite (or andalusite)-staurolite schist and micaceous quartzite of the East Rochester Formation.

### **3.0 SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION**

Subsurface conditions at the site were explored by drilling two (2) test borings. Test boring BB-LLR-101 was drilled behind the location of the existing west abutment. Test boring BB-LLR-102 was drilled behind the location of the existing east abutment. The boring locations are shown in Sheet 2 - Boring Location Plan and Interpretive Subsurface Profile found at the end of this report. The borings were drilled on March 22, 2011 using the MaineDOT drill rig. Details and sampling methods used, field data obtained, and soil and groundwater conditions encountered are presented in the boring logs provided in Appendix A - Boring Logs and graphically on Sheet 2 - Boring Location Plan and Interpretive Subsurface Profile found at the end of this report.

The borings were drilled using solid stem auger and driven cased wash boring drilling techniques. Soil samples were obtained where possible at 5-foot intervals using Standard Penetration Test (SPT) methods. During SPT sampling, the sampler is driven 24 inches and the hammer blows for each 6 inch interval of penetration are recorded. The standard penetration resistance, N-value, is the sum of the blows for the second and third intervals. MaineDOT drill rig is equipped with an automatic hammer to drive the split spoon. The hammer was calibrated in March of 2010 and was found to deliver approximately 40 percent more energy during driving than the standard rope and cathead system. All N-values discussed in this report are corrected values computed by applying an average energy transfer factor of 0.84 to the raw field N-values. This hammer efficiency factor (0.84) and both the raw field N-value and the corrected N-value are shown on the boring logs. The bedrock was cored in the borings using an NQ-2" core barrel and the Rock Quality Designation (RQD) of the core was calculated.

The MaineDOT geotechnical team member selected the boring locations and drilling methods, designated type and depth of sampling techniques, identified field and laboratory testing requirements and logged the subsurface conditions encountered. A Northeast Transportation Technician Certification Program (NETTCP) Certified Subsurface Inspector or the geotechnical team member logged the subsurface conditions encountered. The borings were located in the field by use of a tape after completion of the drilling program.

Details and sampling methods used, field data obtained, and soil and groundwater conditions encountered are presented in the boring logs provided in Appendix A – Boring Logs and on Sheet 3 – Boring Logs, found at the end of this report.

## **4.0 LABORATORY TESTING**

A laboratory testing program was conducted on selected samples recovered from test borings to assist in soil classification, evaluation of engineering properties of the soils, and geologic assessment of the project site. Laboratory testing consisted of nine (9) grain size analyses and natural moisture content determinations. The tests were performed in the MaineDOT Materials and Testing Laboratory in Bangor, Maine. The results of this laboratory testing are provided in Appendix B - Laboratory Data at the end of this report. Moisture content information is also shown on the Boring Logs in Appendix A and on Sheet 3 - Boring Logs found at the end of this report.

## **5.0 SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS**

An interpretive subsurface profile depicting the interpreted soil stratigraphy across the site is shown on Sheet 2 - Boring Location Plan and Interpretive Subsurface Profile found at the end of this report. A brief summary description of the strata encountered is as follows:

### **5.1 Fill**

A layer of fill was encountered behind the existing abutments in both of the borings. The layer was approximately 4 feet thick in boring BB-LLR-101 and approximately 5 feet thick in boring BB-LLR-102. The fill soils generally consisted of brown, damp, fine to coarse sand, some silt, trace gravel in boring BB-LLR-101 and brown, moist, gravelly, fine to coarse sand, little silt in boring BB-LLR-102. Corrected SPT N-values in the fill ranged from 31 to 39 blows per foot (bpf) indicating that the layer is dense in consistency. Two (2) grain size analyses were conducted on fill samples. The moisture contents of the samples ranged from approximately 11% to 28%. The grain size analyses resulted in the fill being classified as an A-2-4 or A-1-b under the AASHTO Soil Classification System and as an SM or SW-SW under the Unified Soil Classification System. Laboratory test results can be found in Appendix B - Laboratory Data. This testing information is also shown on the boring logs in Appendix A and on Sheet 3 - Boring Logs found at the end of this report.

### **5.2 Sand and Gravel**

A layer of interbedded sandy gravel, sand and gravelly sand, was encountered beneath the fill in both of the borings. The layer was approximately 13.4 feet thick in boring BB-LLR-101 and approximately 16.4 feet thick in boring BB-LLR-102. This layer generally consisted of:

- Brown, moist, fine to coarse, sandy gravel, trace to little silt, trace organics and occasional cobbles,
- Brown, moist, fine to coarse, sand, some gravel, little silt,
- Grey, wet, fine to coarse, sand, some to little gravel, some to little silt, and
- Grey-brown, wet, gravelly, fine to coarse sand, little silt.

Corrected SPT N-values in the layer ranged from 17 to 48 bpf indicating that the layer is medium dense to dense in consistency. Seven (7) grain size analyses were conducted on samples from the layer. The moisture content of the samples ranged from approximately 4% to 17%. The grain size analyses resulted in the soil being classified as an A-1-a, A-1-b, or A-2-4 under the AASHTO Soil Classification System and as a GW-GM, SW-SM, SP-SM, GP-GM, or SM under the Unified Soil Classification System. Laboratory test results can be found in Appendix B - Laboratory Data. This testing information is also shown on the boring logs in Appendix A and on Sheet 3 - Boring Logs found at the end of this report.

Cobbles were encountered in boring BB-LLR-102 at depths of 9.2 and 10.1 feet below ground surface.

### 5.3 Bedrock

The bedrock was cored in both of the borings and was encountered at depths ranging from 17.4 feet below ground surface (El. 282.3 feet) in boring BB-LLR-101 and 21.4 feet bgs (El. 277.1 feet) in boring BB-LLR-102. The bedrock was observed to be grey to dark grey, fine grained, fresh, banded, meta-sandstone, with calcite, pyrite and garnet, joints dipping at 30 to 45 degrees and 60 to 75 degrees. The RQD of the bedrock ranged from 23% to 70% indicating that the rock is of very poor to fair quality. The top of the bedrock surface appears to slope downward from west to east.

Table 1 summarizes approximate depths to bedrock, corresponding top of bedrock elevations and RQD at the boring locations:

Boring Number	Depth to Bedrock	Bedrock Elevation	RQD
BB-LLR-101	17.4 feet	282.3 feet	25 - 70%
BB-LLR-102	21.4 feet	277.1 feet	23 - 62%

**Table 1 – Summary of Bedrock Depths, Elevations and RQD**

### 5.4 Groundwater

Groundwater was observed at a depth of approximately 11.5 feet below ground surface in boring BB-LLR-101 and 11.0 feet below ground surface in boring BB-LLR-102. The water levels measured upon completion of drilling are indicated on the boring logs found in Appendix A. Note that water was introduced into the boreholes during the drilling operations. It is likely that the water levels indicated on the boring logs do not represent stabilized groundwater conditions. Additionally, groundwater levels are expected to fluctuate seasonally depending upon the local precipitation magnitudes and construction activity.

## **6.0 PROJECT ALTERNATIVES**

In the Preliminary Design Report (PDR), developed for the MaineDOT Bridge Program by Calderwood Engineering, four (4) project alternatives were considered as follows:

- Bridge replacement with a steel girder superstructure and concrete cantilevered abutments founded on bedrock.
- Bridge replacement with a precast, pre-stressed voided slab superstructure. The use of concrete cantilevered abutments founded on bedrock is assumed for this report as no foundation type is called out for this alternative in the PDR.
- Bridge replacement with a precast, concrete arch. The use of concrete cantilevered abutments founded on bedrock is assumed for this report as no foundation type is called out for this alternative in the PDR.
- Rehabilitation of the existing superstructure and substructure.

The PDR identifies the rehabilitation alternative as the most cost effective solution. The superstructure girders will be retrofitted with a new steel plate along the bottom flange and the girders will be coated for protection. Loose and shifted stones in the abutments will be realigned and the abutments will be pressure grouted. Weep holes will be installed in the existing stacked stone abutments. The top stones of the existing abutments will be removed and a concrete bearing seat slab will be poured. The concrete slab will be attached to deadmen to stabilize the top of the abutments. A cable mat will be installed across the entire channel as scour protection. A 30 year life expectancy is anticipated with this rehabilitation.

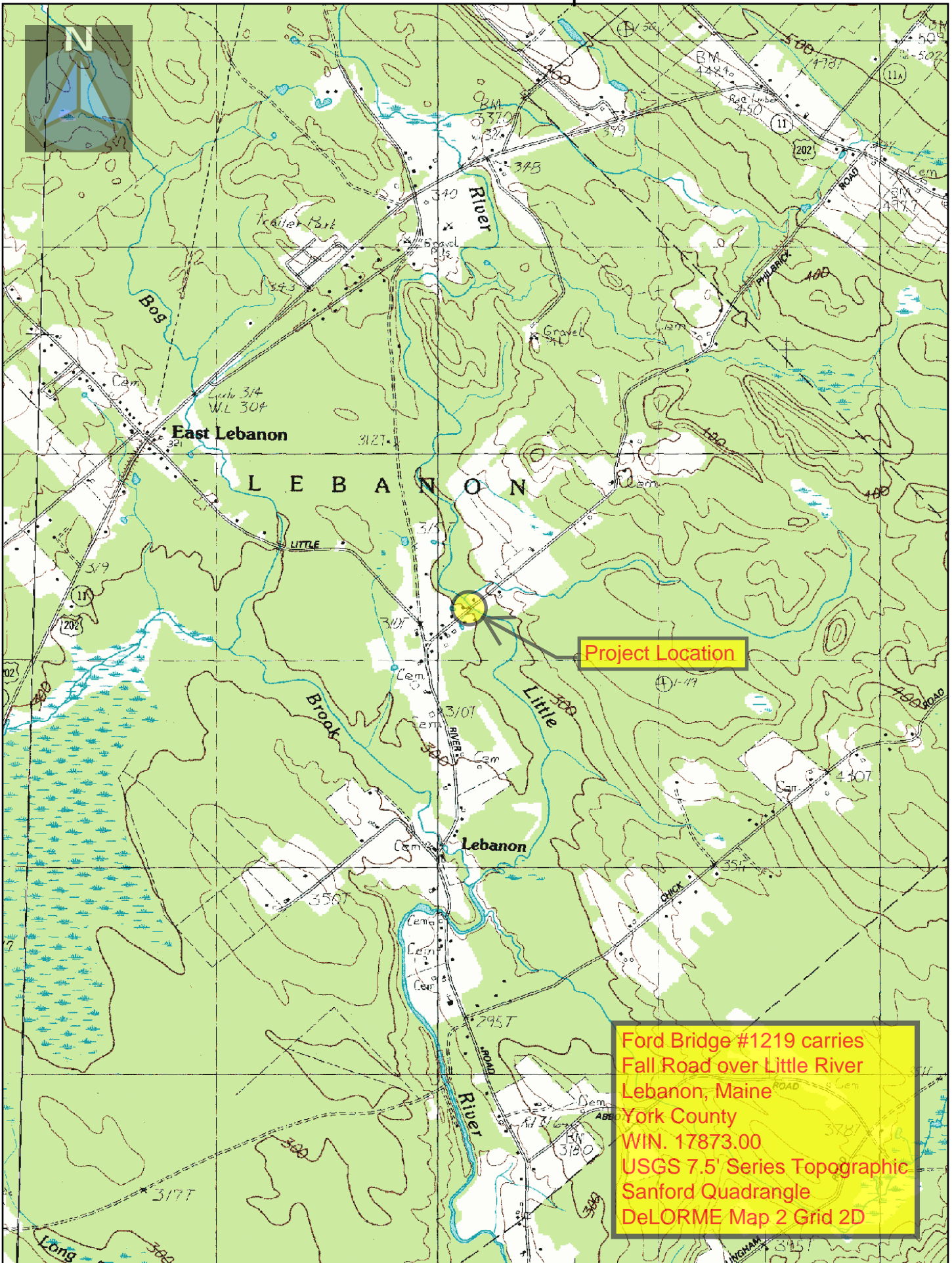
The design of the rehabilitation will be undertaken by Calderwood Engineering. The MaineDOT geotechnical team will provide design assistance and specification development assistance to Calderwood Engineering as needed during final design.

## **7.0 CLOSURE**

This report has been prepared for the use of Calderwood Engineering and the MaineDOT Bridge Program to provide limited subsurface condition information at Ford Bridge in Lebanon, Maine. This report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering practices. No other intended use or warranty is expressed or implied.

This report discusses limited soil explorations at discrete locations near the existing bridge and a limited number of laboratory soil index tests. Maine DOT shall not be responsible for the designer's, bidder's and/or contractor's interpretations of or estimates or conclusions drawn from the information contained in this report. Data provided may not be representative of the subsurface conditions at locations other than the specific boring locations explored.

## **Sheets**



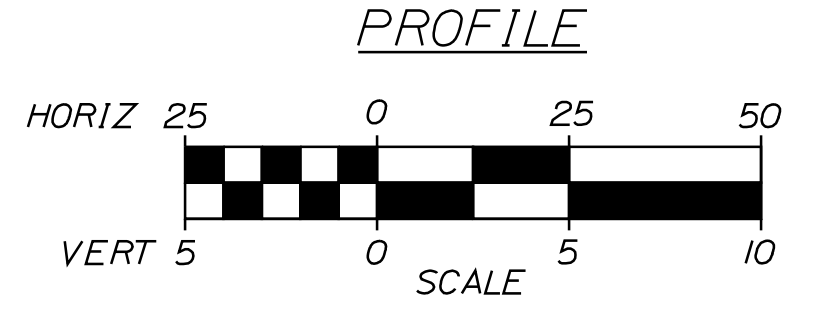
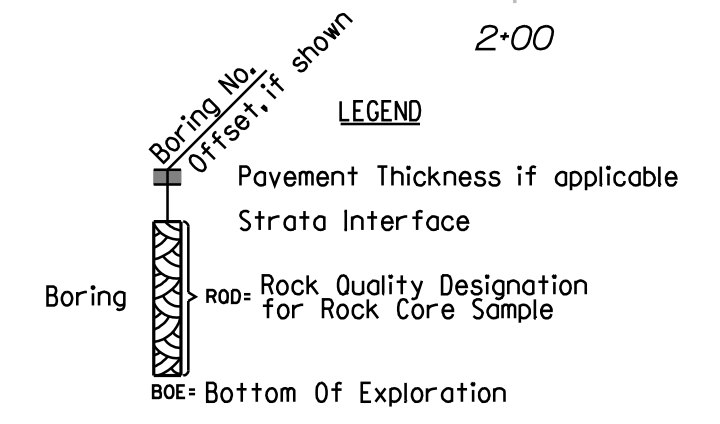
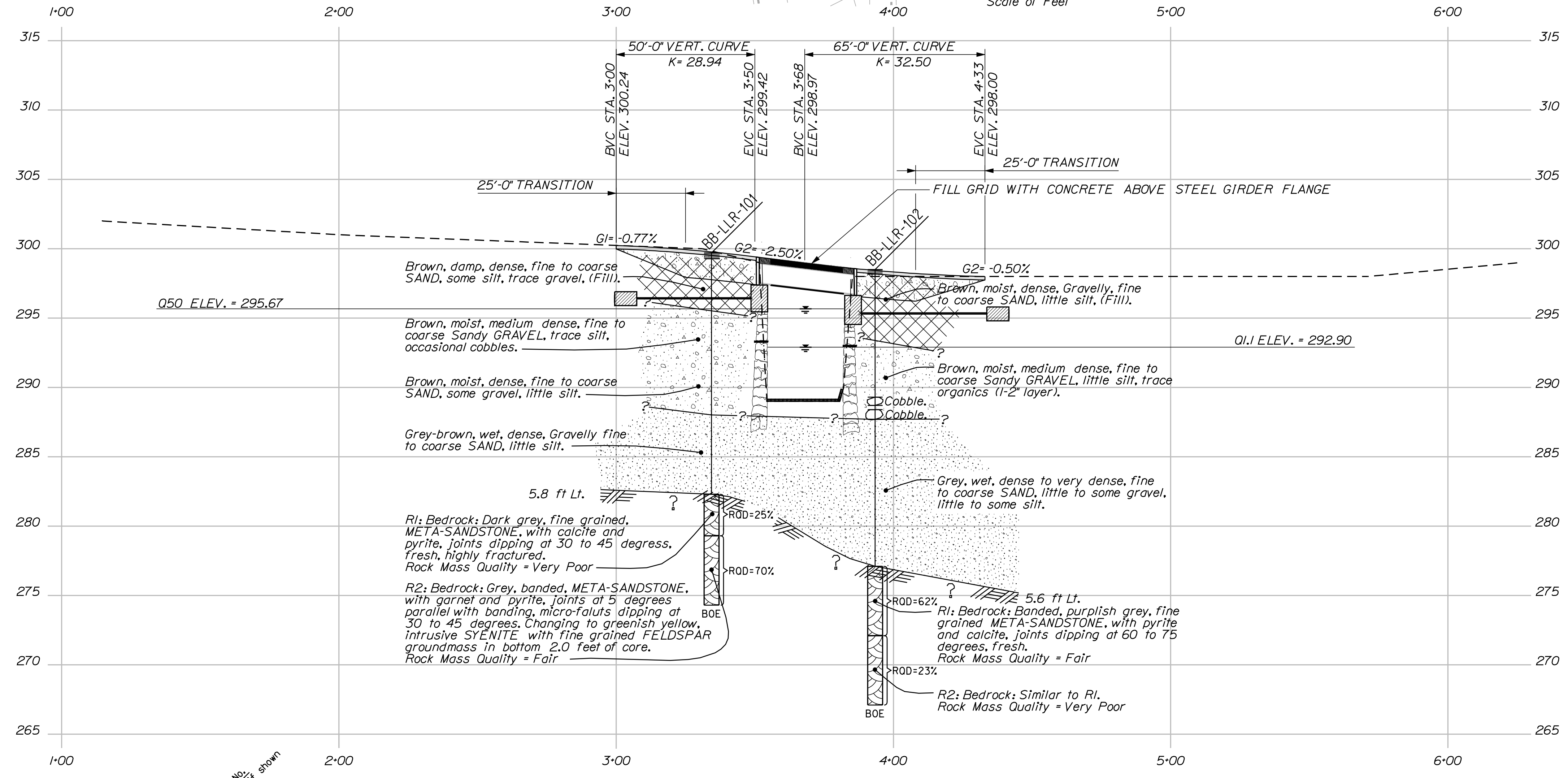
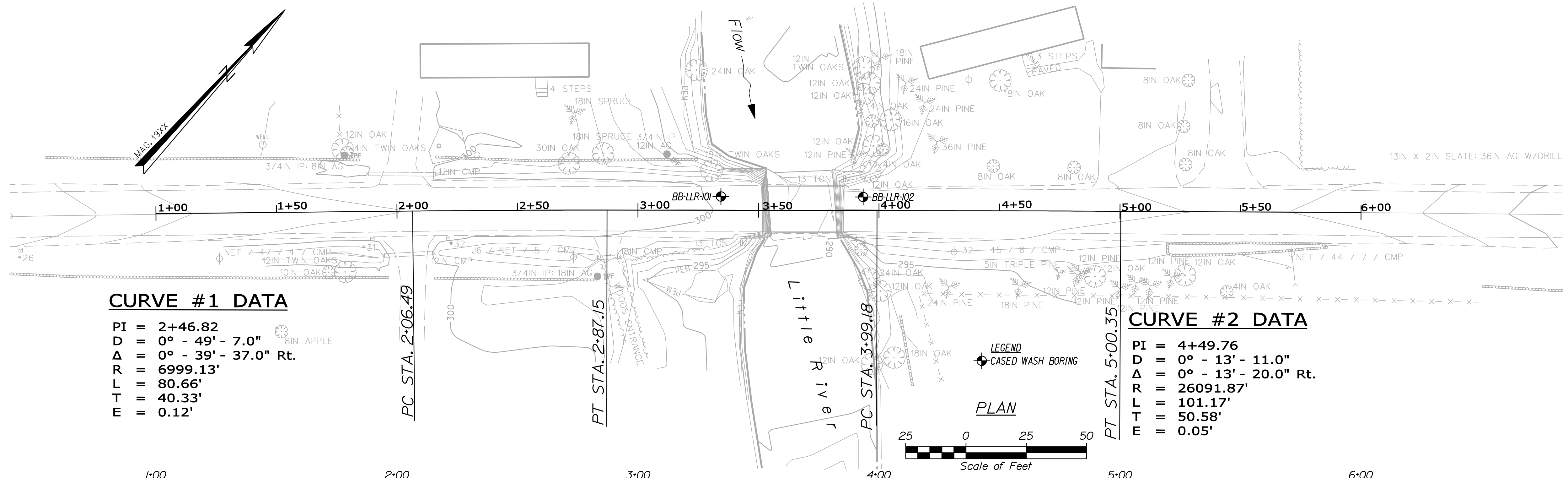
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Note: This generalized interpretive soil profile is intended to convey trends in subsurface conditions. The boundaries between strata are approximate and idealized, and have been developed by interpretations of widely spaced explorations and samples. Actual soil transitions may vary and are probably more erratic. For more specific information refer to the exploration logs.

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**BORING LOCATION PLAN & INTERPRETIVE SUBSURFACE PROFILE**

Maine Department of Transportation Soil/Rock Exploration Log US CUSTOMARY UNITS		Project: Ford Bridge #1219 carries Fall Road over Little River Location: Lebanon, Maine		Boring No.: BB-LLR-101		
Driller: MaineDOT		Elevation (ft.): 299.7		Auger ID/OD: 5" Solid Stem		
Operator: Giguere/Giles		Datum: NAVD88		Sampler: Standard Split Spoon		
Logged By: B. Wilder		Rig Type: CME 45C		Hammer Wt./Fall: 140lb/30"		
Date Start/Finish: 3/22/11: 08:00-11:30		Drilling Method: Cased Wash Boring		Core Barrel: NO-2"		
Boring Location: 3+34.4, 5.8 ft Lt.		Casing ID/OD: HW & NW		Water Level*: 11.5 ft bgs.		
Hammer Efficiency Factor: 0.84		Hammer Type: Automatic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hydraulic <input type="checkbox"/> Rope & Cathead <input type="checkbox"/>				
<small>           Definitions: R = Rock Core Sample, Su = In Situ Field Vane Shear Strength (ksf), S<sub>u(log)</sub> = Lab Vane Shear Strength (ksf)            D = Split Spoon Sample, SSA = Solid Stem Auger, Tu = Pocket Torque Shear Strength (ksf), WC = water content, percent            MD = Unsuccessful Split Spoon Sample attempt, HSA = Hollow Stem Auger, qu = Unconfined Compressive Strength (ksf), LL = Liquid Limit            U = Thin Wall Tube Sample, RC = Roller Cone, Nuncorrected = Raw Field SPT blowcount, PL = Plastic Limit            M = Unsuccessful Thin Wall Tube Sample attempt, NW = weight of 140lb. hammer, Homeer Efficiency Factor = Annual Calibration Value, PI = Plasticity Index            V = In Situ Vane Shear Test, PP = Pocket Penetrometer/C = weight of rods or casing, N<sub>60</sub> = SPT N-uncorrected corrected for hammer efficiency C = Grain Size Analysis            W = Unsuccessful In Situ Vane Shear Test attempt, WIP = weight of one person, N<sub>60</sub> = Hammer Efficiency Factor/60%uncorrected, C = Consolidation Test         </small>						
Depth (ft.)	Sample No.	Pen./Rec. (in)	Sample Depth (ft.)	Blows (1/6 in Shear Depth) (ksf)	Nuncorrected	Lab. Testing Results/AASHTO and Unified Class
0						5" Pavement -0.42
10	24/19	1.50 - 3.50	11/15/7/4	22	31	Brown, damp, dense, fine to coarse SAND, some silt, trace gravel, (FILL). GW245525 A-2-4, SM WC=28.2%
5	20	5.00 - 7.00	4/5/9/5	14	20	Brown, moist, medium dense, fine to coarse SANDY GRAVEL, trace silt, occasional cobbles. GW262369 A-1-b, GW-GM WC=4.4%
10	30	3.6/3.6	10.00 - 10.30	55(3.6")	---	Brown, moist, dense, fine to coarse SAND, some gravel, little silt. GW262370 A-1-b, SW-SM WC=17.4%
						Changed to NW Casing at 11.0 ft bgs, drove casing to 17.4 ft bgs. Roller Coned ahead to 15.0 ft bgs.
15	40	15.00 - 17.00	8/18/16/12	34	48	59 64 Grey-brown, wet, dense, Gravelly, fine to coarse SAND, little silt. GW262371 A-1-b, SP-SM WC=13.2%
	R1	36/34	17.40 - 20.40	ROD = 25%	070 NO-2	282.30 070 blows for 0.4 ft. Top of Bedrock at Elev. 282.3 ft. R1: Bedrock: Dark grey, fine grained, META-SANDSTONE, with calcite and pyrite, joints dipping at 30 and 45 degrees, fresh, highly fractured. Rock Mass Quality = Very Poor. R1: Core Times (min:sec) 11.4-18.4 ft (12:40) 18.4-19.4 ft (13:50) 19.1-20.4 ft (14:00) 94% Recovery Core Blocked R2: Bedrock: Grey, banded, META-SANDSTONE, with garnet and pyrite, joints at 5 degrees parallel with banding, micro-faults dipping at 30 to 45 degrees. Changing to greenish yellow, intrusive, SYENITE, with a fine grained, FELDSPAR groundmass in the bottom 2 feet of core. Rock Mass Quality = Fair. R2: Core Times (min:sec) 20.4-21.4 ft (12:35) 21.4-22.4 ft (12:10) 22.4-23.4 ft (12:05) 23.4-24.4 ft (12:10) 24.4-25.4 ft (12:10) 100% Recovery
20	R2	60/60	20.40 - 25.40	ROD = 70%		274.30 Bottom of Exploration at 25.40 feet below ground surface.
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Driller: MaineDOT		Elevation (ft.): 298.5		Auger ID/OD: 5" Solid Stem			
Operator: Giguere/Giles		Datum: NAVD88		Sampler: Standard Split Spoon			
Logged By: B. Wilder		Rig Type: CME 45C		Hammer Wt./Fall: 140lb/30"			
Date Start/Finish: 3/22/11: 12:00-14:00		Drilling Method: Cased Wash Boring		Core Barrel: NO-2"			
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0						4" Pavement -0.33	
10	24/15	2.00 - 4.00	13/17/11/15	28	39	Brown, moist, dense, Gravelly, fine to coarse SAND, little silt, (FILL). GW262372 A-1-b, SW-SM WC=10.7%	
5	20	5.00 - 7.00	4/6/6/13	12	17	Brown, moist, medium dense, fine to coarse SANDY GRAVEL, little silt, trace organics (1-2" layer). GW262373 A-1-b, GP-GM WC=7.1%	
10						Roller Coned ahead from 9.2-11.0 ft bgs. Cobble from 9.2-9.8 ft bgs. Cobble from 10.1-10.6 ft bgs.	
10	30	24/14	11.00 - 13.00	15/13/11/11	24	34	287.90 Wash Ahead Grey, wet, dense, fine to coarse SAND, some gravel, some silt. GW262374 A-2-4, SM WC=11.3%
15	40	15.00 - 17.00	10/13/17/29	30	42	Grey, wet, dense, fine to coarse SAND, some gravel, little silt. GW262375 A-1-b, SM WC=10.0%	
						Changed to NW Casing at 15.0 ft bgs.	
20	50	12/12	20.00 - 21.00	34/50	---	Grey, wet, very dense, fine to coarse SAND, some silt, little gravel, (TILL). GW262344 A-2-4, SM WC=10.2%	
	R1	60/60	21.40 - 26.40	ROD = 62%	NO-2	277.10 Roller Coned ahead to 21.4 ft bgs. Top of Bedrock at Elev. 277.1 ft. R1: Bedrock: Banded, purplish grey, fine grained, META-SANDSTONE, with pyrite and calcite, joints dipping at 60 to 75 degrees, fresh. Rock Mass Quality = Fair. R1: Core Times (min:sec) 21.4-22.4 ft (2:00) 22.4-23.4 ft (2:00) 23.4-24.4 ft (2:00) 24.4-25.4 ft (1:20) 25.4-26.4 ft (1:50) 100% Recovery R2: Bedrock: Banded, purplish grey, fine grained, META-SANDSTONE, with pyrite and calcite, joints dipping at 60 to 75 degrees, fresh. Rock Mass Quality = Very Poor. R2: Core Times (min:sec) 26.4-27.4 ft (1:20) 27.4-28.4 ft (2:40) 28.4-29.4 ft (2:30) 29.4-30.4 ft (1:20) 30.4-31.4 ft (1:50) 100% Recovery	
25	R2	60/60	26.40 - 31.40	ROD = 23%		267.10 Bottom of Exploration at 31.40 feet below ground surface.	
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## **Appendix A**

Boring Logs

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0								SSA	299.28	5" Pavement		
	1D	24/19	1.50 - 3.50	11/15/7/4	22	31				Brown, damp, dense, fine to coarse SAND, some silt, trace gravel, (Fill).	G#245525 A-2-4, SM WC=28.2%	
5									295.70			
	2D	24/14	5.00 - 7.00	4/5/9/5	14	20				Brown, moist, medium dense, fine to coarse SANDY GRAVEL, trace silt, occasional cobbles.	G#262369 A-1-a, GW-GM WC=4.4%	
10												
	3D	3.6/3.6	10.00 - 10.30	55(3.6")	---				288.80	Brown, moist, dense, fine to coarse SAND, some gravel, little silt.	G#262370 A-1-b, SW-SM WC=17.4%	
										Changed to NW Casing at 11.0 ft bgs., drove casing to 17.4 ft bgs. Roller Coned ahead to 15.0 ft bgs.		
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	4D	24/18	15.00 - 17.00	8/18/16/12	34	48				Grey-brown, wet, dense, Gravelly, fine to coarse SAND, little silt.	G#262371 A-1-b, SP-SM WC=13.2%	
	R1	36/34	17.40 - 20.40	RQD = 25%				a70	282.30	a70 blows for 0.4 ft.		
										Top of Bedrock at Elev. 282.3 ft. R1: Bedrock: Dark grey, fine grained, META-SANDSTONE, with calcite and pyrite, joints dipping at 30 and 45 degrees, fresh, highly fractured. Rock Mass Quality = Very Poor. R1: Core Times (min:sec) 17.4-18.4 ft (2:40) 18.4-19.4 ft (3:50) 19.1-20.4 ft (4:40) 94% Recovery Core Blocked R2: Bedrock: Grey, banded, META-SANDSTONE, with garnet and pyrite, joints at 5 degrees parallel with banding, micro-faults dipping at 30 to 45 degrees. Changing to greenish yellow, intrusive, SYENITE, with a fine grained, FELDSPAR groundmass in the bottom 2 feet of core.		
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	R2	60/60	20.40 - 25.40	RQD = 70%								
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
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25									274.30		Rock Mass Quality = Fair. R2:Core Times (min:sec) 20.4-21.4 ft (2:35) 21.4-22.4 ft (2:10) 22.4-23.4 ft (2:05) 23.4-24.4 ft (2:10) 24.4-25.4 ft (2:10) 100% Recovery	
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	1D	24/15	2.00 - 4.00	13/17/11/15	28	39				Brown, moist, dense, Gravelly, fine to coarse SAND, little silt, (Fill) .	G#262372 A-1-b, SW-SM WC=10.7%	
5	2D	24/18	5.00 - 7.00	4/6/6/13	12	17			293.50	Brown, moist, medium dense, fine to coarse Sandy GRAVEL, little silt, trace organics (1-2" layer).	G#262373 A-1-b, GP-GM WC=7.1%	
										Roller Coned ahead from 9.2-11.0 ft bgs. Cobble from 9.2-9.8 ft bgs. Cobble from 10.1-10.6 ft bgs.		
10	3D	24/14	11.00 - 13.00	15/13/11/11	24	34			287.90	Grey, wet, dense, fine to coarse SAND, some gravel, some silt.	G#262374 A-2-4, SM WC=11.3%	
15	4D	24/18	15.00 - 17.00	10/13/17/29	30	42				Grey, wet, dense, fine to coarse SAND, some gravel, little silt. Changed to NW Casing at 15.0 ft bgs.	G#262375 A-1-b, SM WC=10.0%	
20	5D	12/12	20.00 - 21.00	34/50	---					Grey, wet, very dense, fine to coarse SAND, some silt, little gravel, (Till). Roller Coned ahead to 21.4 ft bgs.	G#262344 A-2-4, SM WC=10.2%	
	R1	60/60	21.40 - 26.40	RQD = 62%					277.10	Top of Bedrock at Elev. 277.1 ft. R1: Bedrock: Banded, purplish grey, fine grained, META-SANDSTONE, with pyrite and calcite, joints dipping at 60 to 75 degrees, fresh. Rock Mass Quality = Fair. R1: Core Times (min:sec) 21.4-22.4 ft (2:00) 22.4-23.4 ft (2:00)		
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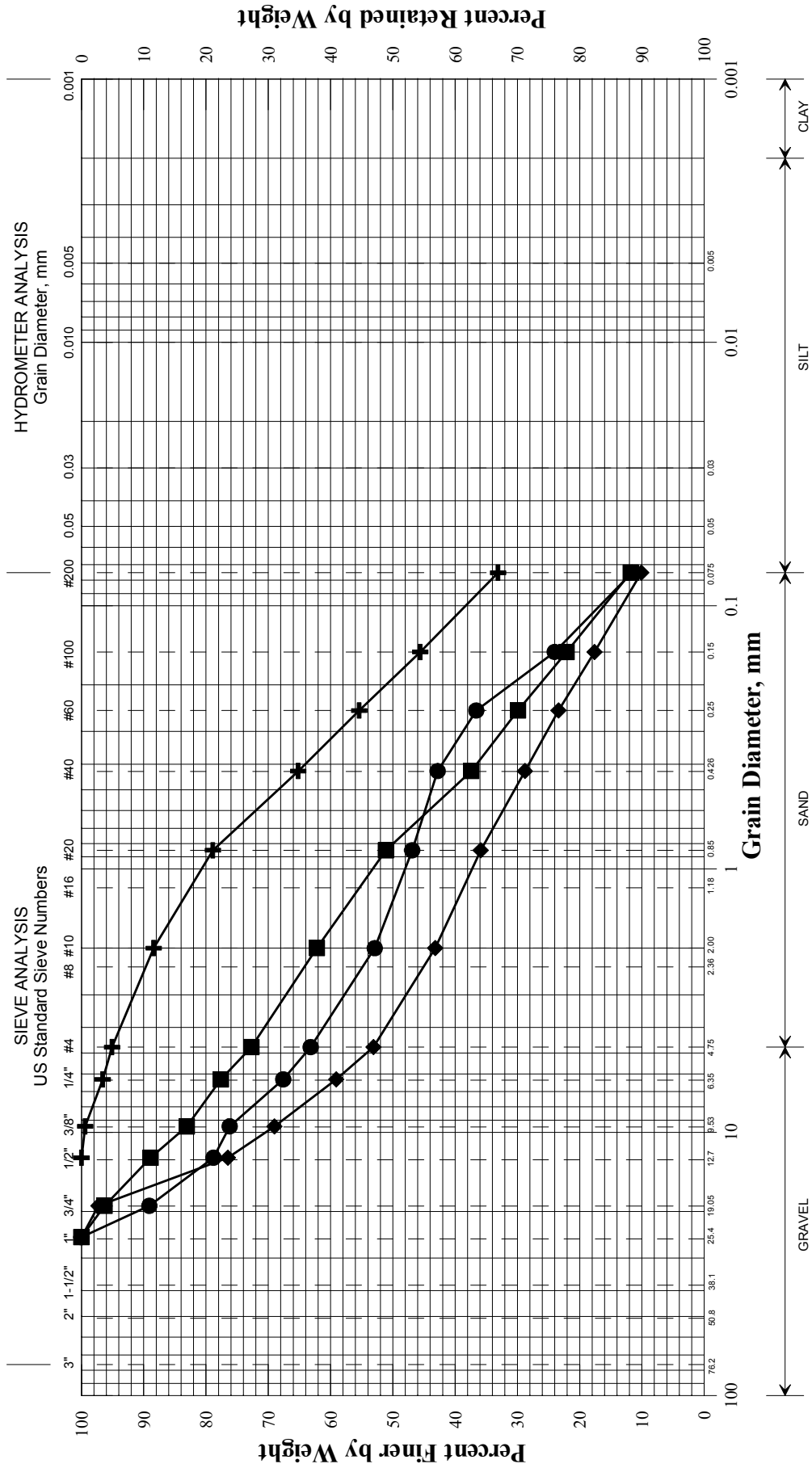


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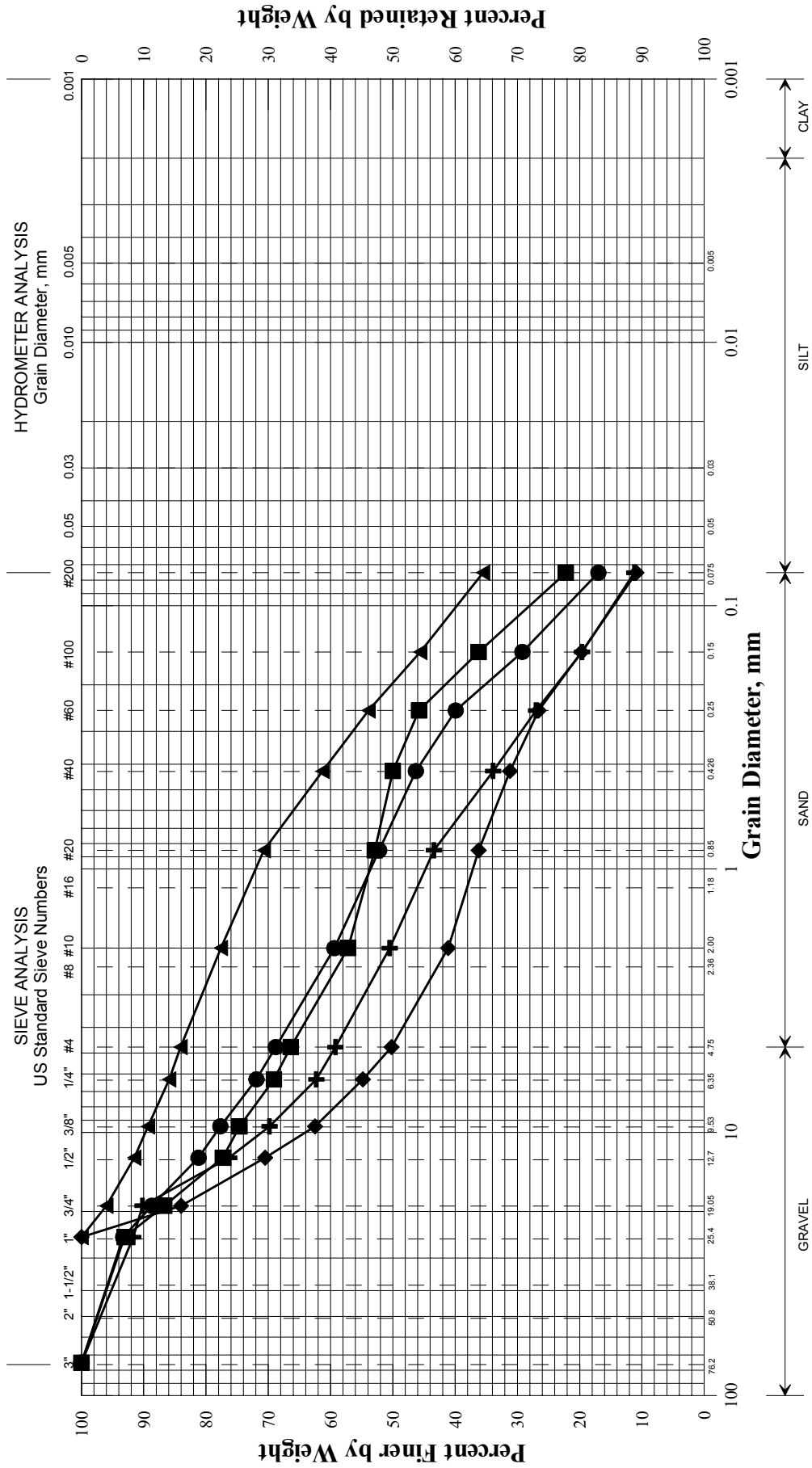


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+	3+34.4	5.8 LT	1.5-3.5	SAND, some silt, trace gravel.	28.2			
◆	3+34.4	5.8 LT	5.0-7.0	Sandy GRAVEL, trace silt.	4.4			
■	3+34.4	5.8 LT	10.0-10.3	SAND, some gravel, little silt.	17.4			
●	3+34.4	5.8 LT	15.0-17.0	Gravelly SAND, little silt.	13.2			
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+	3+93.4	5.6 LT	2.0-4.0	Gravelly SAND, little silt.	10.7			
◆	3+93.4	5.6 LT	5.0-7.0	Sandy GRAVEL, little silt.	7.1			
■	3+93.4	5.6 LT	10.0-13.0	SAND, some gravel, some silt.	11.3			
●	3+93.4	5.6 LT	15.0-17.0	SAND, some gravel, little silt.	10.0			
▲	3+93.4	5.6 LT	20.0-21.0	SAND, some silt, little gravel.	10.2			
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