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## **INTRODUCTION**

### **General**

This report has been prepared to characterize the subsurface soil conditions of the site and to provide geotechnical design criteria for the proposed structure. The new interchange will be built to ease the flow of traffic to and from the new housing development near Durango Drive to Las Vegas. At present, there is a two-way stop sign with the majority of traffic making a left turn onto US 95 southbound. As the housing development increases in size, the traffic is expected to increase.

### **Purpose and Scope**

The purpose of this report is to provide information regarding the subsurface soil conditions at the proposed project location. In addition, this report provides geotechnical design and construction recommendations including the construction of a new bridge structure and retaining walls. The scope of this report consists primarily of investigation and analysis. The investigation included recent subsurface explorations, soil sampling, and analysis of field and laboratory testing data. This report describes the subsurface soil conditions, provides recommendations regarding geotechnical properties of the soil strata, and includes boring logs and summaries of test results from the field investigation.

## **GEOLOGY AND SEISMICITY**

### **Geology**

The site is founded in alluvium ( $Q_{oa}$ )<sup>1</sup> deposited on the Kyle Canyon alluvial fan originating from the Spring Mountains. The Spring Mountains are within the limestone and dolostone belt of southern and eastern Nevada as shown in Figure B1. The alluvial fan deposits are pink to brown sand, gravel, and cobble size material, and are unconsolidated to locally cemented due to petrocalcic carbonate deposits (caliche). Clasts are predominately limestone and dolostone with subordinate quartzite. Sand size sediment is mainly limestone and dolomite with subordinate quartz and feldspar. Detrital gypsum occurs locally, and is an important component in these deposits. There are also active wash alluvium deposits (typically veneers) throughout the area, which is subject to flooding.

## **Seismicity**

The site is located approximately 25 kilometers east of the La Madre fault and 10 kilometers east of the Keystone Thrust<sup>3</sup>. These faults are no longer considered active. The Las Vegas Valley Shear Zone lies approximately 10 kilometers northeast of the site<sup>3</sup> and is currently active. Other local active faults include the Frenchman Mountain Fault, the Whitney Mesa Fault, the Cashman Fault, the Valley View Fault, the Decatur Fault, the Eglinton Fault, and the West Charleston Fault<sup>4</sup>, as shown in Figure B2 map of Las Vegas Valley quaternary faults. The most prominent fault in the Las Vegas Valley is the Frenchman Mountain Fault which is capable of producing a magnitude 7 earthquake every 10,000 to 50,000 years<sup>4</sup>. Other faults capable of causing earthquakes could occur outside the Las Vegas Valley with strong enough ground shaking to cause damage within the valley, such as the Furnace Creek Fault in Death Valley, some 145 kilometers northwest of Las Vegas.

The site area has subsided approximately 50 mm between 1963 and 1980, probably due to dewatering<sup>2</sup>. See Figure B3 for a map of quaternary faults, subsidence contours, and mapped fissures related to subsidence.

The recommended effective peak acceleration coefficient is 0.15g based on a 10% probability of exceedance in 50 years (AASHTO). See Figure B4 for a map of peak acceleration contours for Nevada and California. The AASHTO ATC-6 response spectra with Type II soil is recommended. A graph with three Response Spectra curves are shown in Figure B5 including AASHTO using 0.15g Peak Ground Acceleration. The other two curves, for comparison only, are the UBC for Zone 2B and USGS using 0.1048g based on the USGS National Seismic Hazard Mapping Project.

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

### **Site Description**

US 95 is a four lane freeway north of Las Vegas, and is oriented in a north-west to south-east direction. North Durango Drive is presently a two lane road with stop signs crossing US 95. A site map for the project is presented as Map A1 in Appendix A. A new housing development is being built to the east of the intersection resulting in a large expected increase in traffic through the

intersection.

## **Project**

The project consists of constructing an interchange to improve access to the southbound lanes of US 95 for traffic leaving the residential area located north east of the interchange. The westbound traffic on Durango Drive will be able to cross over the freeway and turn left onto the southbound on-ramp. In addition, the project includes the construction of water retention basins and improved drainage channels for control of surface water runoff.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **Abutments and Piers**

Based on our field investigation and laboratory testing, various foundation systems were evaluated to support the structures. The soil at the site consists of medium to very dense sandy gravel with lesser amounts of silt and clay. The site conditions indicate that the in situ soils are competent to support the proposed structures on either spread footings or drilled shafts. We recommend using spread footings for both abutments and piers. The recommended bearing capacity for the abutment footings is 192 kPa. Design soil parameters for the abutment walls are provided in Table 1. Allowable and ultimate bearing pressures as functions of footing width, settlement, and embedment length are provided in Graphs 1 through 4 for pier footings founded in native soils. Settlements are expected to occur immediately after loads are applied to the foundations. It is our recommendation that the foundation at each support be designed similar to each other, so as to minimize any differential settlement. Also, similar foundation systems will have similar responses in seismic events.

All excavations shall be performed in accordance with the NDOT “Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction.” All permanent slopes should be constructed to lie at a maximum of 2:1 (horizontal to vertical). It is the responsibility of the contractor to provide all necessary shorings. Caliche zones, cobbles, and/or boulders may be encountered during excavation. This may cause difficulties at any depth in the excavation of pier, retaining wall, and sound wall spread footings.

## **Retaining Walls**

Allowable and ultimate bearing pressures are functions of footing width, settlement, and embedment length and is provided in Graph 5 for the strip footing. Estimates for construction excavation should be made on the basis of using temporary 1:1 (horizontal to vertical) slopes. Recommended design parameters for the retaining walls are presented in Table 1. The horizontal and vertical Acceleration Coefficients ( $A_h$ ) and ( $A_v$ ), Importance Classification (IC), Seismic Performance Factor (SPC), Soil Profile Type, and Site Coefficient (S), were all obtained using AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges, Division 1-A, Section 3. Earth pressure coefficients ( $K_a$ ,  $K_p$ ,  $K_{ae}$ , and  $K_{pe}$ ) were calculated using various methods.

## **Shrinkage Factor**

The excavated materials from the proposed detention basins are acceptable for use as embankment fills. This is based on the R-value test results, as shown on Page 50, from soils taken at the site. We recommend the use of a 10% shrinkage factor for the reduction in volume of soils due to transport and compaction.

## **Sound Wall**

Given the loading conditions provided by NDOT Bridge Division (memo from Nat Mangoba, dated March 31, 2000), 1.83 meter square spread footings are recommended to support the wall pillisters. This is based on an analysis of bearing capacity, sliding, and overturning of an eccentrically loaded square footing. The loads used in the analysis were a vertical dead load of 196.26 kN and a wind load of 193.05 kN applied at the center of a wall pillister with a height of 4.27 meters.

## **FIELD INVESTIGATION**

The Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) Geotechnical Section conducted a subsurface investigation at the proposed project site approximately one year ago. Subsurface soil conditions were explored by drilling four boreholes (DURLV1 through DURLV4) to a maximum depth of 21.2 meters. The approximate locations of the boreholes are shown on Map A2 in Appendix A. Surface

elevations were obtained for the borehole locations by surveying from known elevations. Drilling was accomplished using a Mobile B-80 drill rig with bentonite drilling slurry for wet drilling. Disturbed soil samples were obtained with a California Modified Split Spoon Sampler (CMS). Modified standard penetration resistance values were obtained using the CMS Sampler, based on the Standard Penetration Test (SPT) procedure (ASTM T 206-87). Uncorrected (for overburden, hammer drop system, and sampler type) blowcounts are shown in the boring logs in Appendix C. All samples were transported to the NDOT materials laboratory for testing and/or storage. All soil samples were classified using the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). More detailed information from the soil samples is included in the boring logs, and in the test result summary sheets. Copies of the boring logs and a boring log key are presented in Appendix C; summaries of test results are in Appendix D.

## **LABORATORY ANALYSIS**

Laboratory tests were conducted on the samples collected from the 4 boreholes. The testing program consisted of sieve and hydrometer analysis, Atterberg limits, moisture contents, and chemical analysis. Plasticity Indices (PI) obtained from testing ranged from 3 to 22, and moisture contents varied from 3.9% to 13.0%. Percent fines (less than 75  $\mu\text{m}$  sieve) ranged from 7.8 to 28.3. Unit weight, direct shear, and consolidation tests were not conducted due to the disturbance of the samples, and the inability of samples to retain their shape to be placed into the testing molds. Further information is presented in the summaries of test results in Appendix D.

## **DISCUSSION**

Borings from the subsurface investigation identified the soils to be primarily silty gravel with sand and clayey gravel with sand. There were two major layers of subsurface stratification that was apparent from the set of four borings. The contact between the two layers was at different elevations in each borehole, indicating that the layers were inclined or that the contact was not planar. Conservative design parameters have been determined by using the weakest soil strengths in calculations. The soil is very dense and contains many cobbles, as was seen on the wall of a back hoe trench (Photos 1 and 2) located approximately 30 meters south east of the interchange. The



presence of boulders and caliche may occur during excavation. The presence of cobbles and possibly boulders was determined by observing the many rock fragments obtained during drilling, and several zones where the auger had difficulty in drilling into the hard soil. The presence of caliche was determined from the nature of the depositional environment of the soil (alluvial fan originating from a large mountain range composed of limestone and dolostone) and from the difficult drilling zones. Very few samples were obtained due to the refusal of the sampler to penetrate the soil during many of the SPT tests conducted in hard soil.

## **REFERENCES**

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2. “Subsidence in Las Vegas Valley: Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology” Bulletin 95, Bell, J. W. (1981).
3. United States Geological Survey “Tectonic Map of Clark County, Nevada” Bulletin 62 Plate 5, Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology.
4. Las Vegas Review Journal article, “Valley Faults Capable of Healthy Jolt,” Keith Rogers interview with Craig dePolo, research geologist with the Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology, and Geologist Burt Slemmons, a member of the Nevada Earthquake Safety Council and professor emeritus at the University of Nevada, Reno (April 11, 1999).



Photo 1. Open trench at the Durango Interchange site showing rock size and stratification.

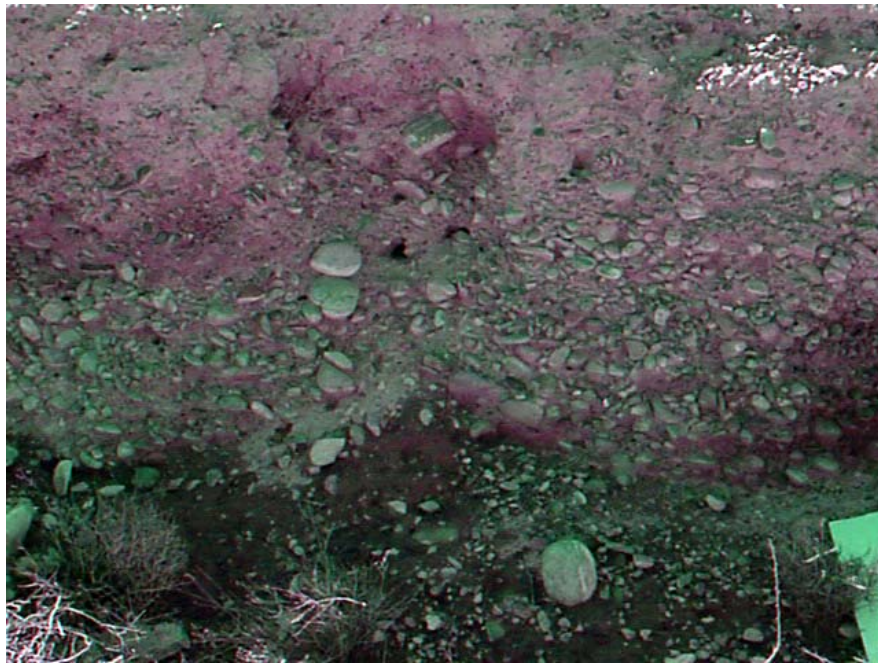


Photo 2. Alternative view of the same trench.

Table 1. Recommended Design Soil Parameters for Retaining Walls.

COEFFICIENTS	RETAINING WALL (Not Supporting Any Structures)		INTEGRAL ABUTMENT WALLS
	0° BACKSLOPE	2H:1V BACKSLOPE	
K <sub>O</sub> (At Rest Earth Pressure*)	0.47	0.47	0.47
K <sub>a</sub> (Active Earth Pressure**)	0.30	0.56	0.30
K <sub>p</sub> (Passive Earth Pressure**)	6.00	6.00	6.00
K <sub>v</sub> (Design Vertical Acceleration)	0.00	0.00	0.00
K <sub>h</sub> (Design Horizontal Acceleration)	0.15	0.15	0.15
K <sub>ae</sub> (Dynamic Active Earth Pressure <sup>+</sup> )	0.38	0.95	- <sup>1</sup>
K <sub>pe</sub> (Dynamic Passive Earth Pressure <sup>+</sup> )	5.49	5.49	- <sup>1</sup>
Base Friction for Sliding	0.32	0.32	-

Friction Angle of Embankment Soil = 32°

Friction Angle of Foundation Soil = 40°

\* Coulomb

\*\* Caquot and Kerisel (1948), NAVFAC (1982); use  $K_{p(Design)} =$

$K_p/1.5$

<sup>+</sup> Mononobe Okabe

$K_p$  and  $K_{pe} = 0$  for depths of less than 0.9 meters

<sup>1</sup> See the discussion on maximum pressure distribution and limiting effective stresses in soil behind the abutment wall (Lam and Martin, 1986).

### Table 1. Notes.

For the total earth pressure (active and passive) behind an integral abutment during earthquake loading, FHWA (Lam and Martin, 1986) recommends using the sum of the following three components:

1. The static pressure due to gravity loads,

$$F_o = 1/2 K_o \gamma_1 H^2 \quad \text{Applied at } 1/3 H \text{ from the wall bottom}$$

2. The pressure induced due to displacement of the wall into the embankment backfill by bridge inertial loading,

$$F_1 = 0.425 E_s \delta_1 \quad \text{Applied at } 0.37H \text{ from the wall bottom}$$

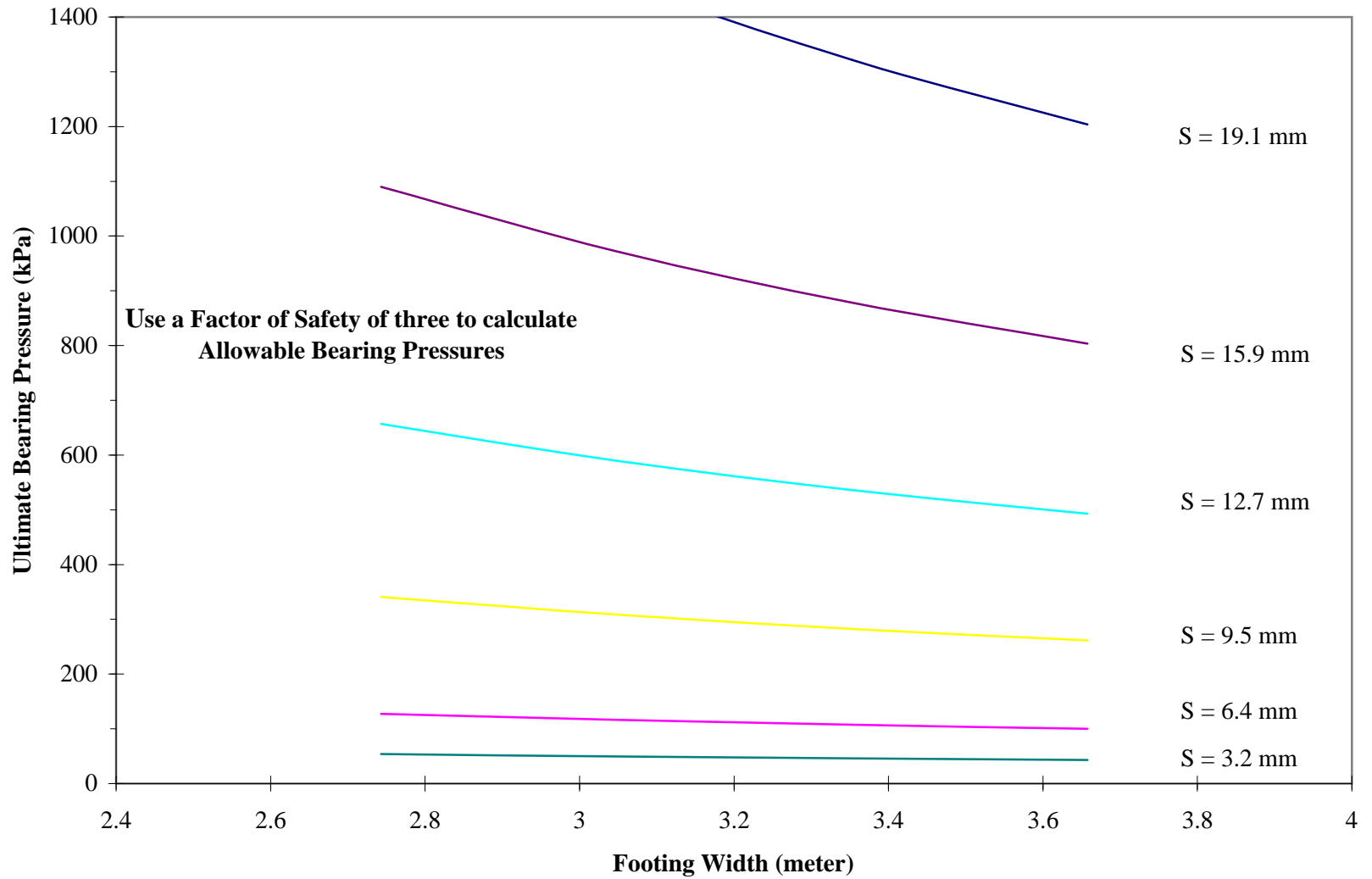
3. Additional earthquake induced dynamic pressures arising from the earthquake response of the backfill itself and its interaction with the abutment wall,

$$F_2 = 0.12 E_s \delta_2 \quad \text{Applied at } 0.6H \text{ from the wall bottom}$$

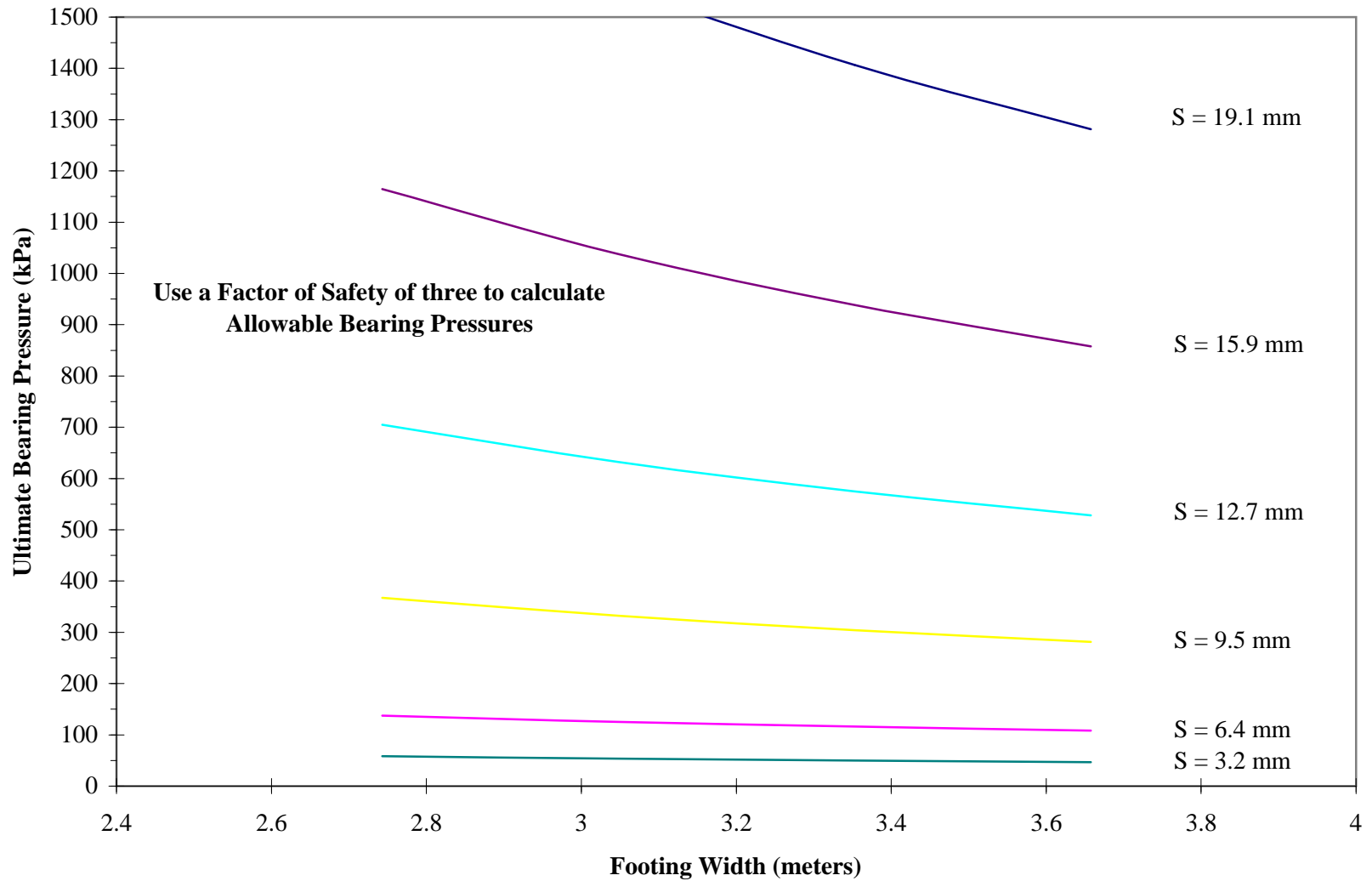
where  $K_o$  is the at-rest earth pressure coefficient,  $H$  is the abutment wall height,  $\gamma_1$  ( $18.85 \text{ kN/m}^3$ ) is the embankment unit weight,  $\delta_1$  is the lateral translational displacement of the abutment wall,  $\delta_2$  is the rotational displacement at the top of the abutment wall, and  $E_s$  is Young's modulus for the embankment backfill. A value of 69 MPa may be used for  $E_s$ .

Abutment forces are considered excessive if the effective stress in the embankment backfill behind the abutment exceeds 369 kPa during earthquake loading. When superstructure inertia forces are transmitted directly to the embankment backfill by the integral abutment wall, adequate passive resistance must be able to restrict the displacements to a maximum of 0.1 meter.

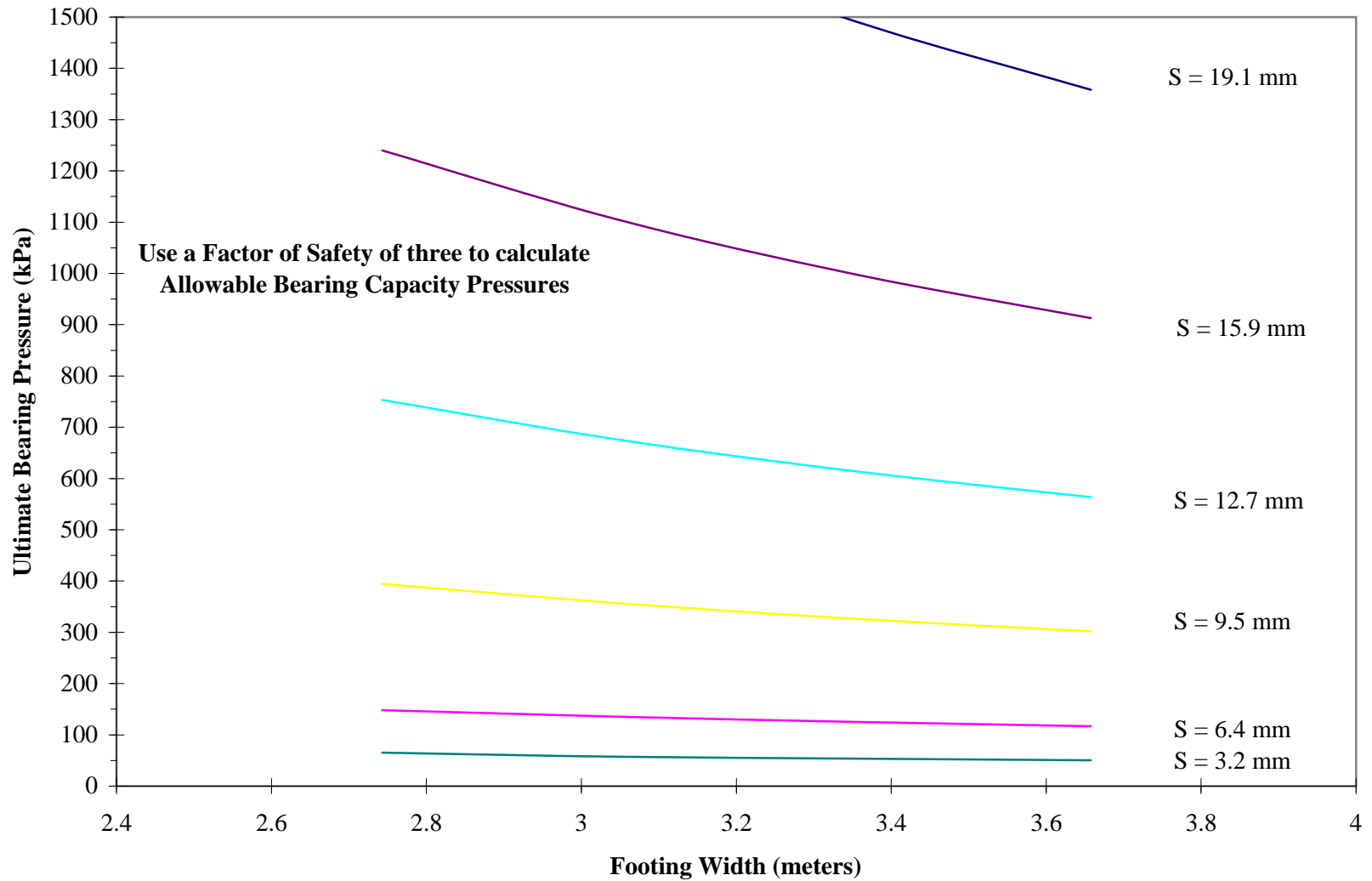
**Graph 1. Settlement, S, for 1.22 meter Embedment, Square Footings**



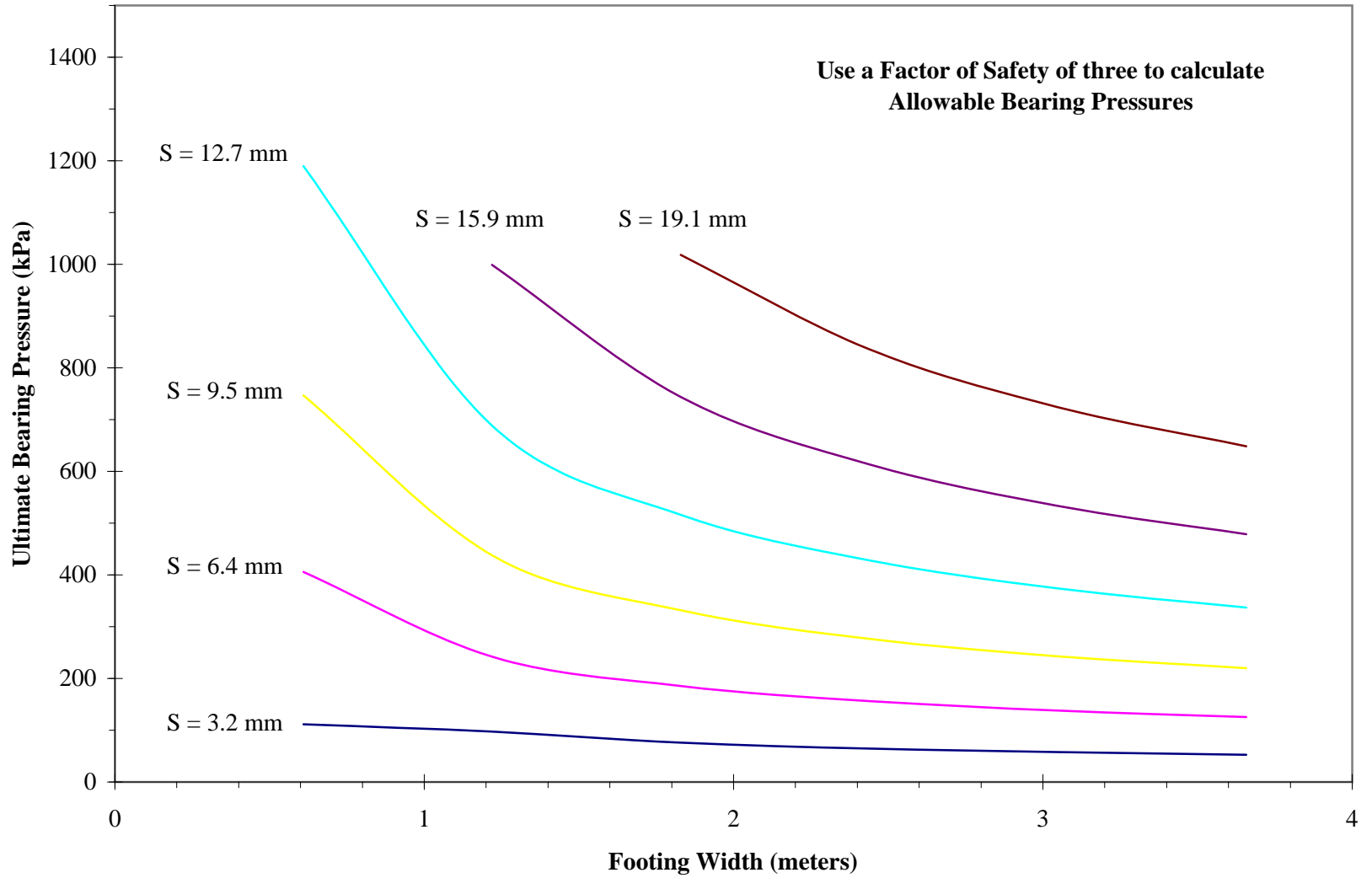
**Graph 2. Settlement, S, for 1.52 meter Embedment, Square Footings**



**Graph 3. Settlement, S, for 1.83 meter Embedment, Square Footings**

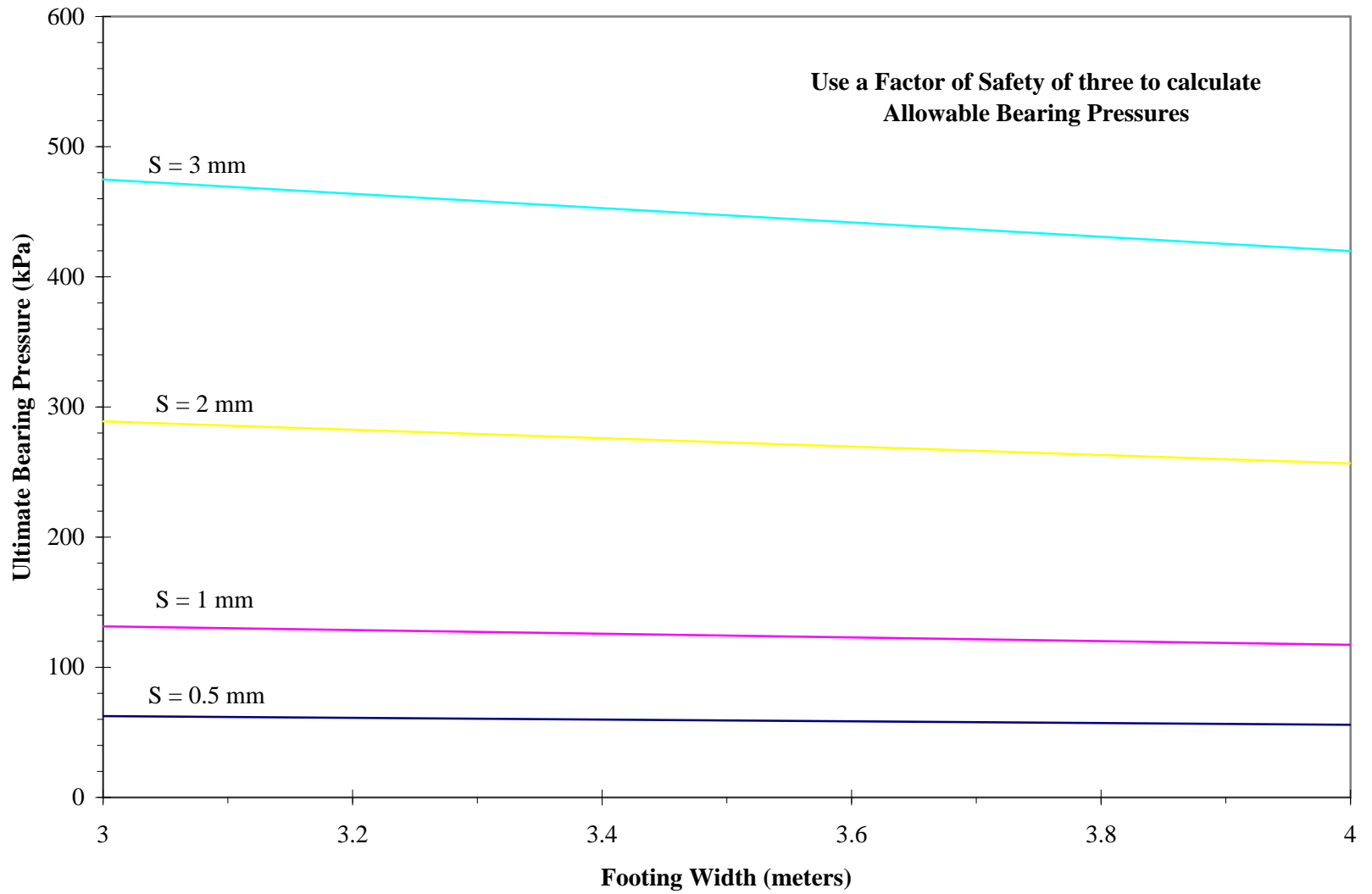


**Graph 4. Settlement, S, for 1.22 meter Embedment, Strip Footings, L/W > 9**

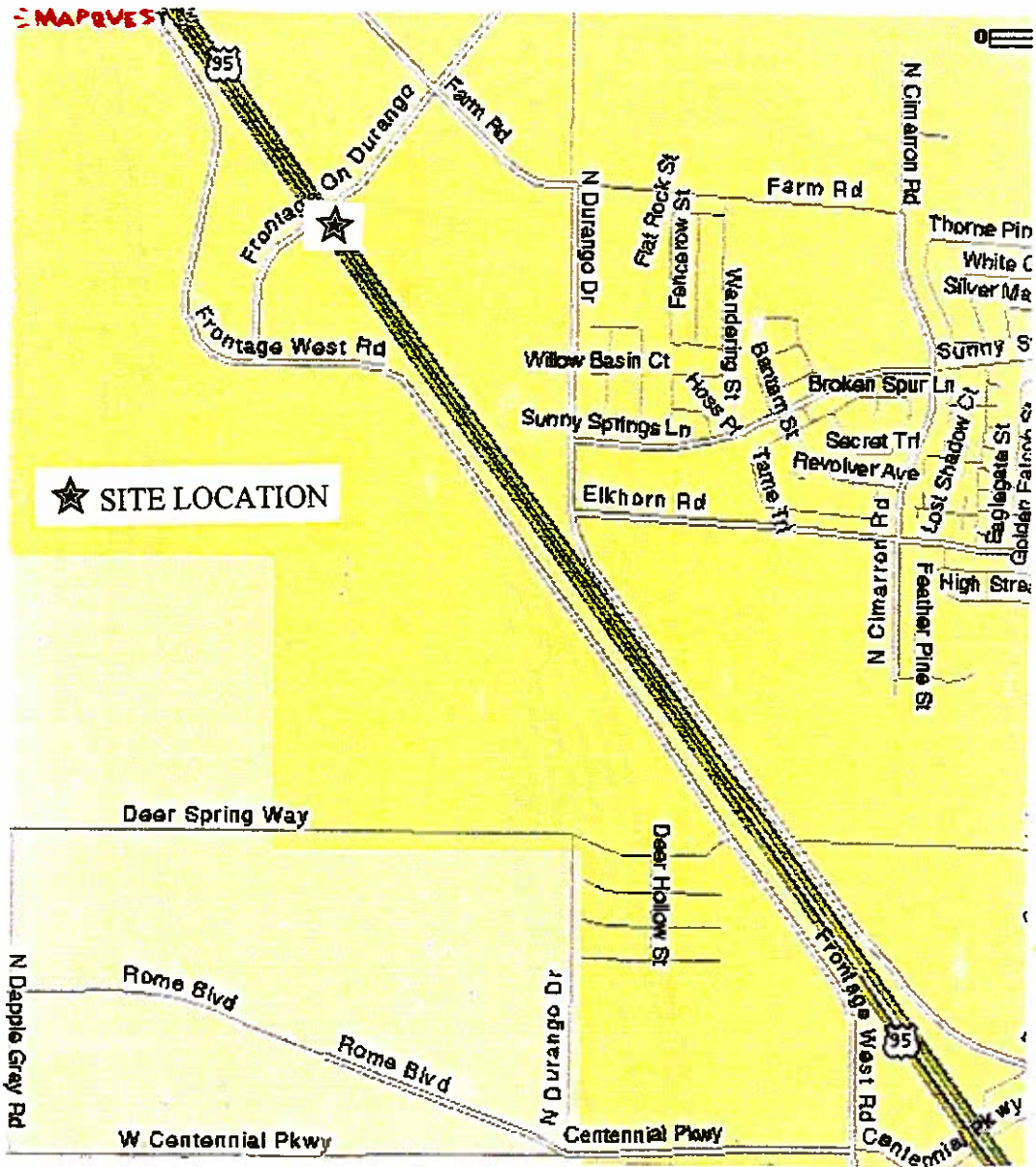




**Graph 5. Settlement, S, for 1.0 meter Embedment, 5.0 meter Footing Length**



APPENDIX A  
LOCATION MAPS



Map A1. Site location of the new Durango Interchange.



**DRILL HOLES**

1 0  
2  
3

17

06

06

88

88

88

88

87

87

PT  
STG 1+19.81

PC  
STG 0+38.1

PT  
STG 6+1.18

PC  
STG 3+48

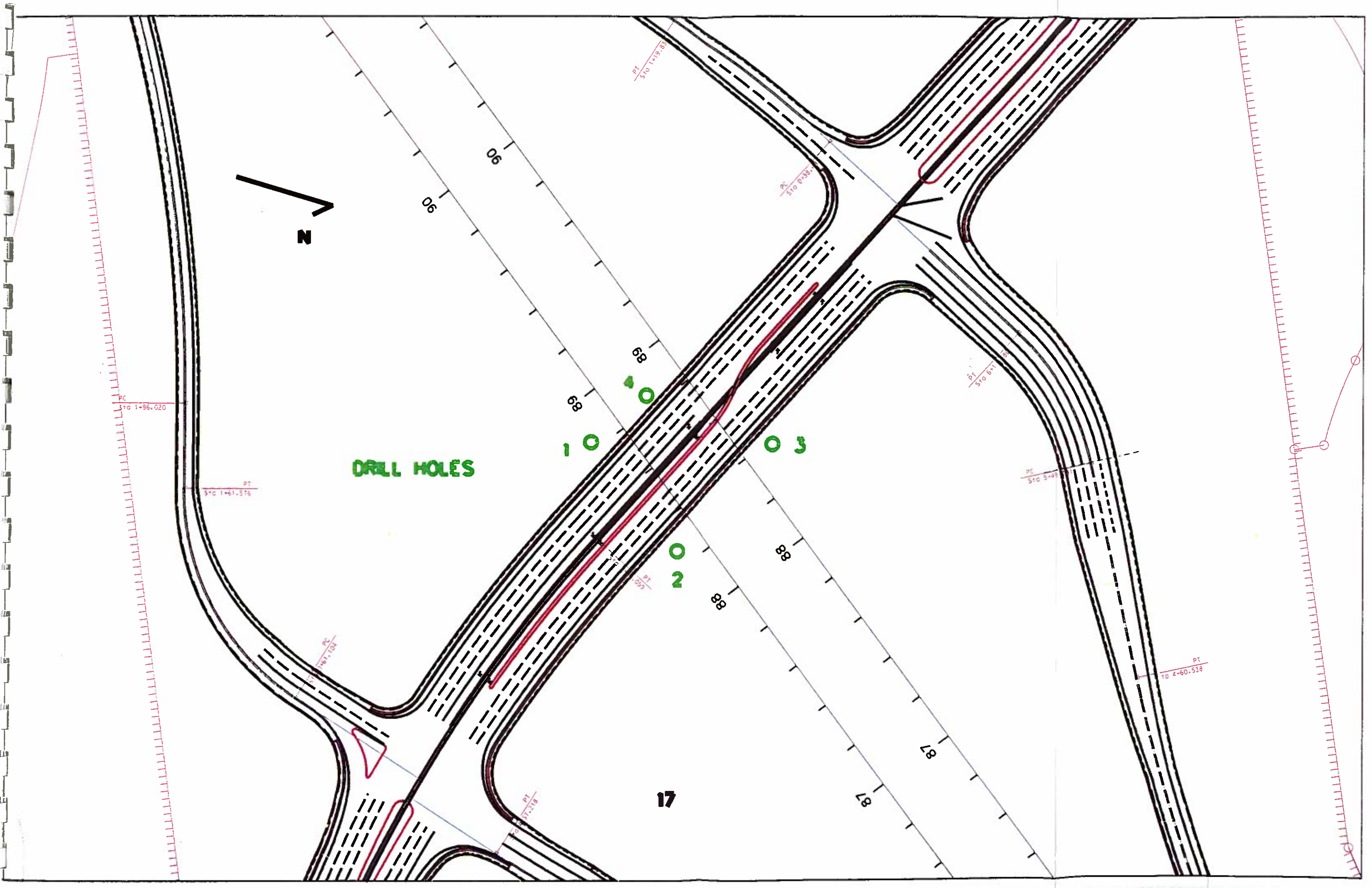
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PC  
STG 1+96.020

PT  
STG 1+61.576

PC  
STG 1+87.108

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**APPENDIX B**

**GEOLOGY AND SEISMICITY**

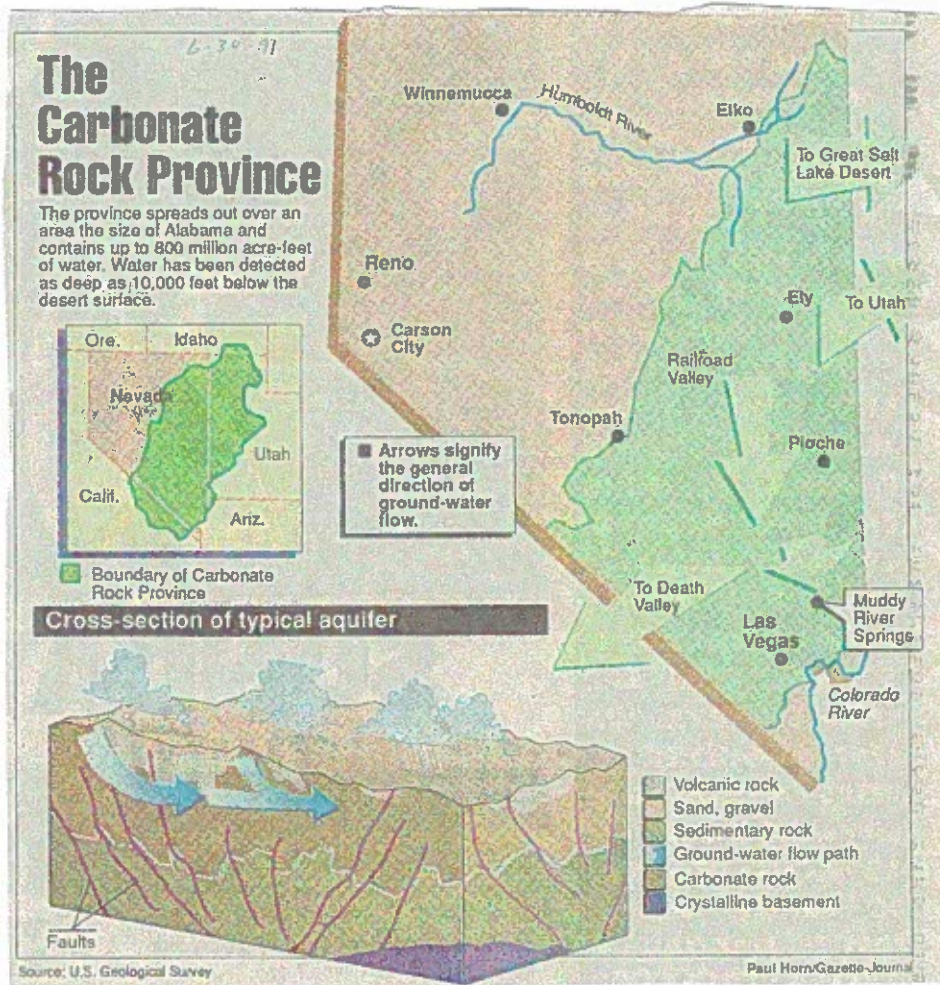


Figure B1. Limestone belt through Nevada.

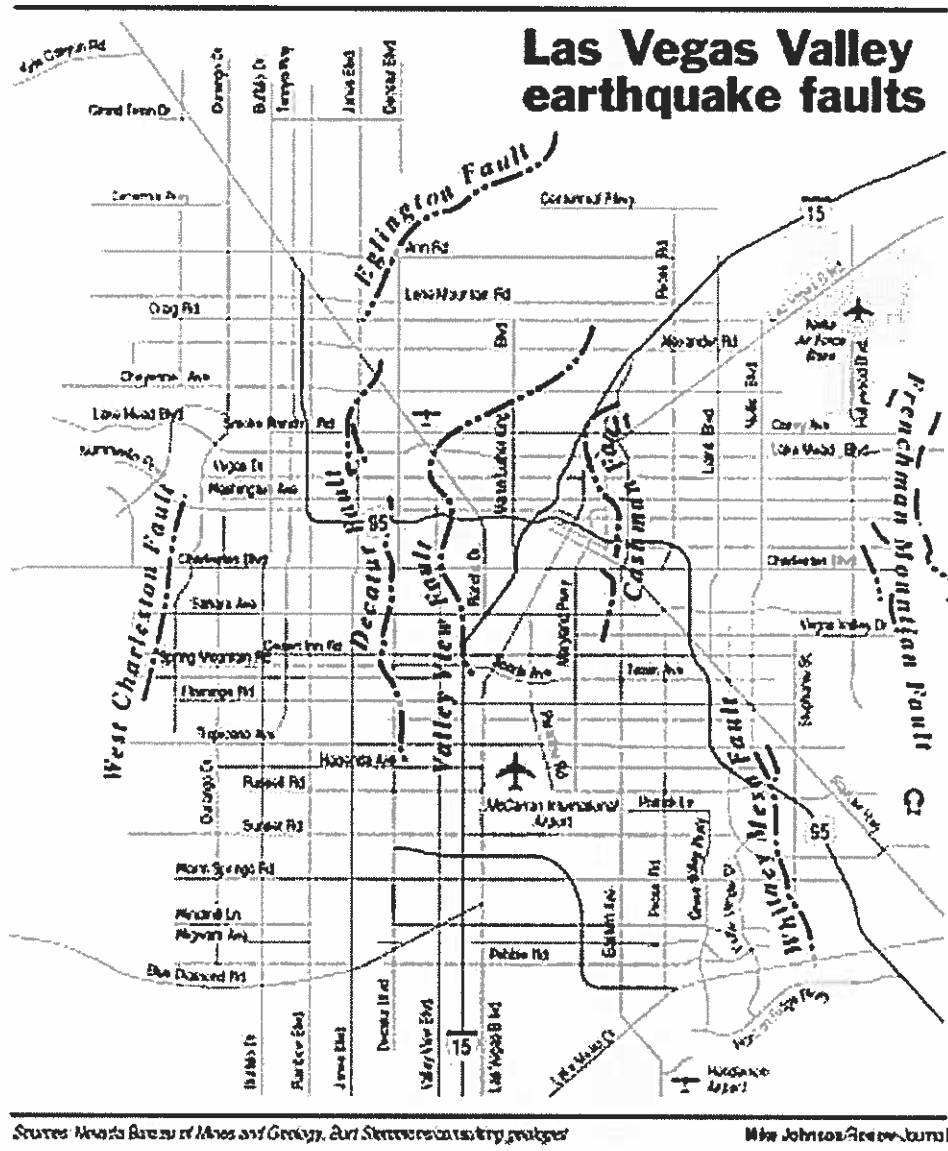


Figure B2. Significant local earthquake fault zones of Las Vegas Valley (printed in Las Vegas Review Journal, April 11, 1999).

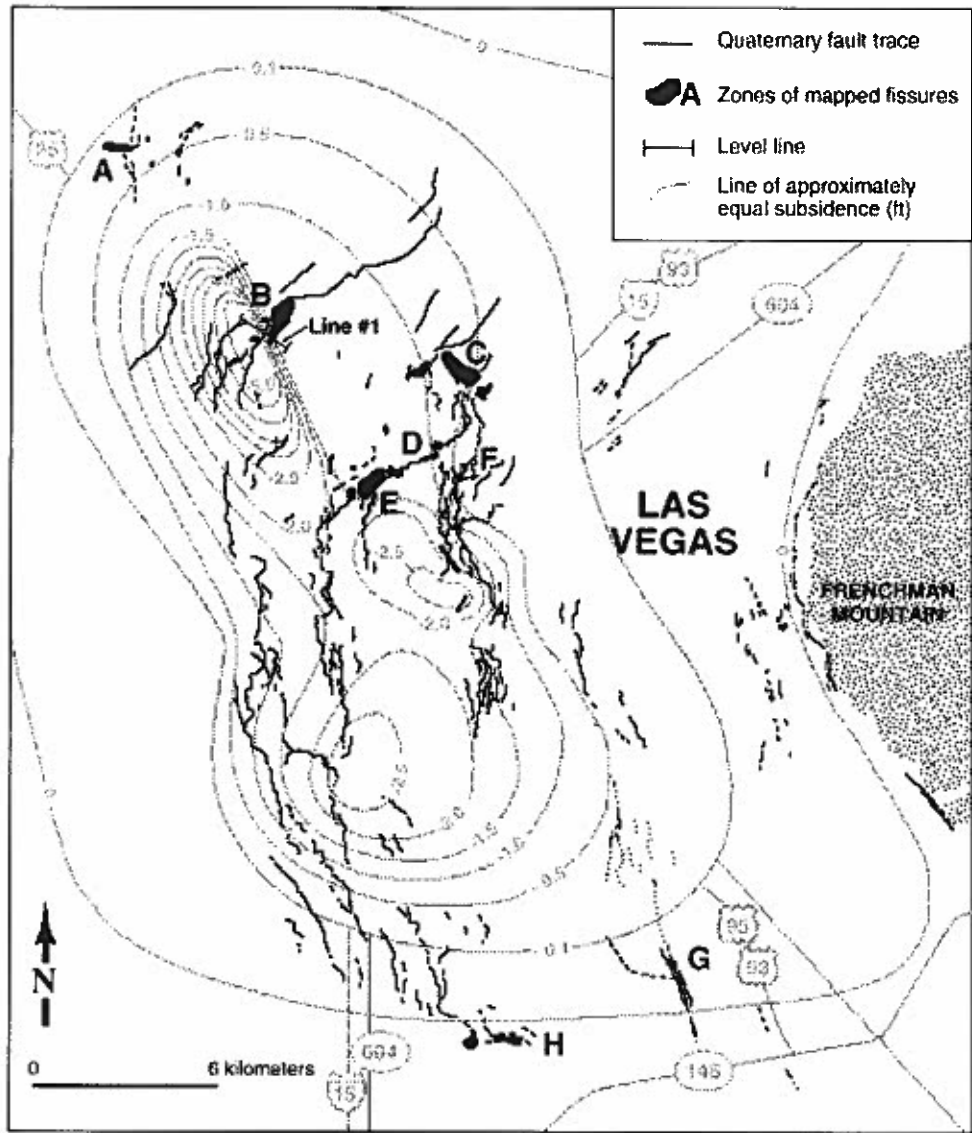
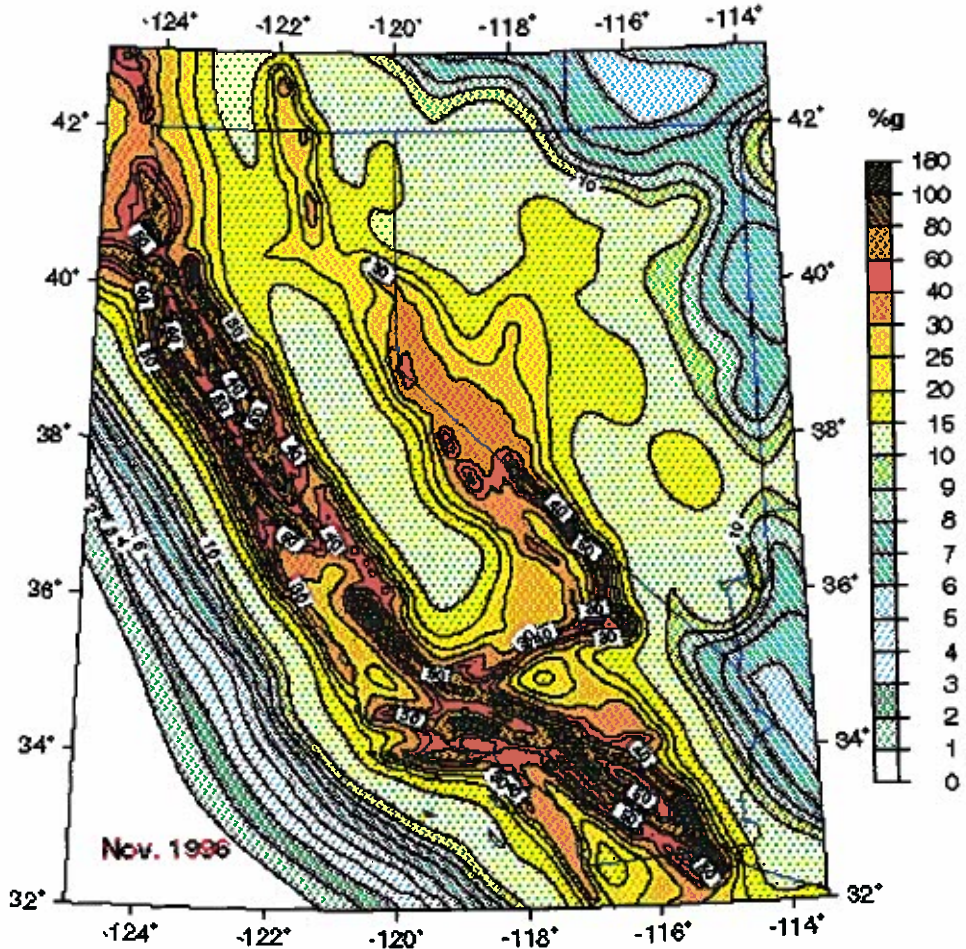


Figure B3. Zones of subsidence relative to local earthquake faults (printed in Las Vegas Review Journal).



**Peak Acceleration (%g) with 10% Probability of Exceedance in 50 Years  
site: NEHRP B-C boundary**



For California portion: U.S. Geological Survey - California Division of Mines and Geology  
For Nevada and surrounding states: USGS

Figure B4. Seismic acceleration coefficients for Nevada and California.

**UBC Method**  
 Soil Profile = Sc  
 Seismic Zone 2B  
 Ca = 0.24  
 Cv = 0.32  
 Z = 0.20  
 Na = 1.0  
 Nv = 1.2

**FIGURE B5**  
**Site Seismic Response Spectra**  
**I95 at Durango Drive Interchange**

**AASHTO Method**  
 Soil Profile Type II  
 Acceleration Coefficient = 0.15g (10% in 50 yrs.)  
  
**USGS Method**  
 PGA 0.1048g  
 Data from USGS MAPPING PROJECT

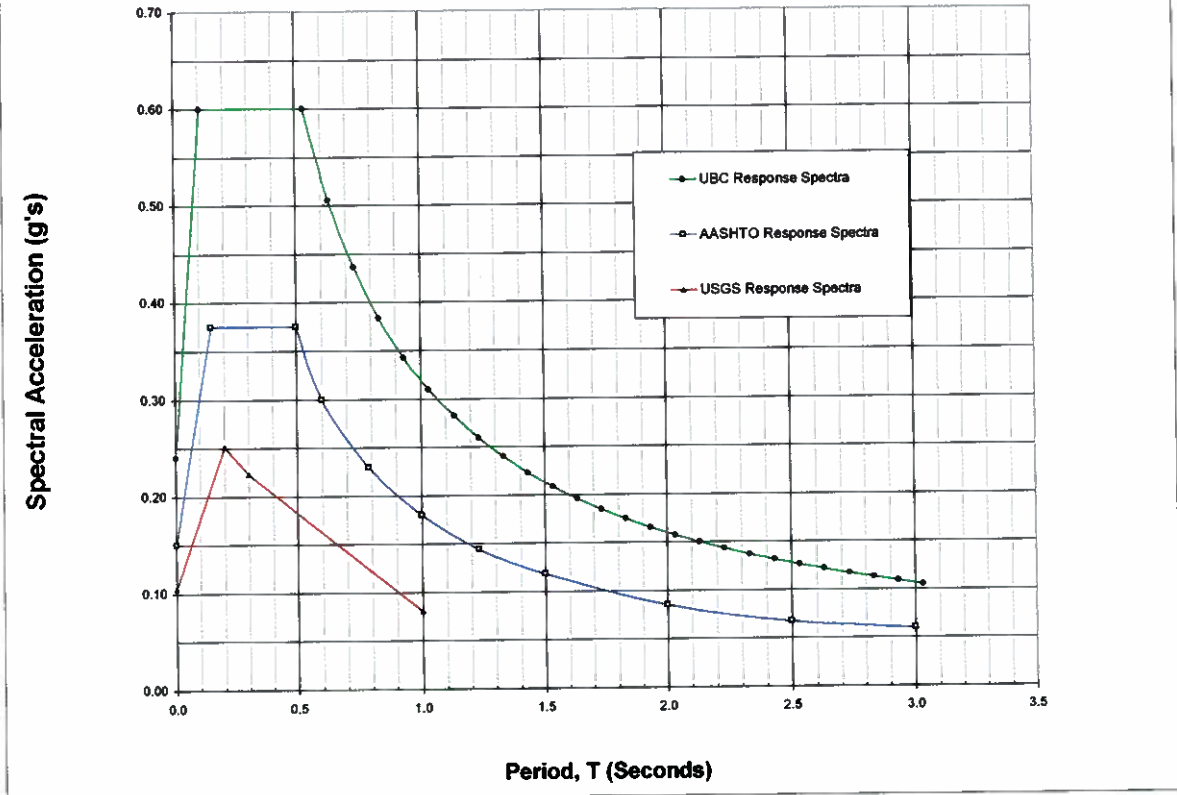


Figure B5. Response Spectra for the I15 at Durango Drive Interchange.

# APPENDIX C

## SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION BORING LOGS



START DATE 3/1/99

**EXPLORATION LOG**

SHEET 1 OF 3

END DATE 3/2/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 35+45.8

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 13.8 Meters Right

BORING DURLV1

ENGINEER Palmer

E.A. # 72411

EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 790.34 (m)

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
789.3	0.46							GP GM	0.30 FILL - Sandy Gravel	Down Pressure 2068 kPa (300 psi) Sample Mixed with Fill
	0.91		SPT	22 29 38	67	67	None			
788.3	1.98							GP GM	SILTY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Pale pink and contains black limestone clasts, very dense	Refusal
	2.21	A	SPT	40 50/3"	50/3"	67	S			
	2.44		SPT	30/2"	30/2"	0	None			
787.3	3.51							GP GM	4.57	Refusal, Small Sample
	3.59		SPT	50/3.5"	50/3.5"	57	None			
786.3	4.76							GP GC	4.57	Refusal, No Recovery
	4.76		CMS	60/2.5"	60/2.5"	0	None			
785.3	7.01							GP GC	POORLY GRADED GRAVEL WITH SILTY CLAY AND SAND - Moderate brown with caliche coated black limestone clasts, very dense	Refusal, No Recovery
	7.01		SPT	60/3"	60/3"	0	None			
782.3	8.53									
	8.61	B	SPT	60/3"	60/3"	33	None	GP GM	9.14	Refusal, Small Sample
781.3	9.14									
	10.00							GP GM	10.00	

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START DATE 3/1/99

**EXPLORATION LOG**

SHEET 2 OF 3

END DATE 3/2/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 35+45.8

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 13.8 Meters Right

BORING DURLV1

ENGINEER Palmer

E.A. # 72411

EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 790.34 (m)

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

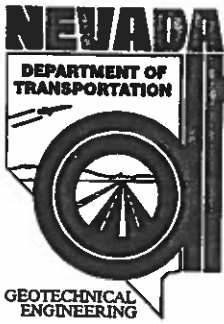
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GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
779.3	11	C	SPT	60/2.3"	60/2.3"	43	S	GP GM	SILTY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Pale pink and has black limestone clasts, very dense	Refusal, Mixed With Sample D
778.3	12	D	SPT	50/3"	50/3"	100	S	GP GM	ROCK OR CALICHE LAYER - White, ground to sand size by drill bit	Refusal, Mixed With Sample C
777.3	13	E	SPT	60/4.5"	60/4.5"	67	None	GP GC	POORLY GRADED GRAVEL WITH SILTY CLAY AND SAND - Moderate brown with caliche coated black limestone clasts, very dense	Refusal, Small Sample
776.3	14	F	SPT	60/3.5"	60/3.5"	86	None	GP GC	CALICHE LAYER OR ROCK	Down Pressure 4137 kPa (600 psi) From 16.0 m To 16.5 m
775.3	15	G	SPT	60/2.5"	60/2.5"	80	H	GM	SILTY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Moderate brown, very dense	Refusal, Mixed With Sample H

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START DATE 3/1/99

**EXPLORATION LOG**

SHEET 3 OF 3

END DATE 3/2/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 35+45.8

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 13.8 Meters Right

BORING DURLV1

ENGINEER Palmer

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EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 790.34 (m)

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
769.3	21									Refusal, Mixed With Sample G
		H	SPT	60/4"	60/4"	75	H			
768.3	22								SILTY SAND WITH GRAVEL - Moderate brown, very dense	
767.3	23							GM		
766.3	24	I	SPT	28 40 37	77	73	S		24.23	Bottom of Hole at 24.23 Meters, No Water Table Encountered
	24.23									
765.3	25									
764.3	26									
763.3	27									
762.3	28									
761.3	29									

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SHEET 1 OF 3

END DATE 3/3/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 35+45.8

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 14.0 Meters Left

BORING DURLV2

ENGINEER Palmer

E.A. # 72411

EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 790.94 (m)

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
789.9	0.46								Down Pressure 2068 kPa (300 psi) Samples A, B, and C were Mixed for Hydrometer Test Refusal	
	0.91	A	SPT	23 27 39	66	67	H			
	1.37	B	SPT	38 62 58	120	73	H, CH			
	1.61	C	SPT	40 60/3.5"	60/3.5"	33	H			
788.9	2								POORLY GRADED GRAVEL WITH SILT AND SAND - Light brown with black limestone clasts, very dense          Refusal	
787.9	3									
786.9	3.96									
	4.18	D	SPT	64 60/2.5"	60/2.5"	33	H			
785.9	5							GP GM		
784.9	6									
	6.40									
783.9	7.01									
	7.24		SPT	60/3"	60/3"	0	None			
782.9	8									
781.9	9							GC		
	10.00								CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Light brown with black limestone clasts, very dense	

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START DATE 3/3/99

**EXPLORATION LOG**

SHEET 2 OF 3

END DATE 3/3/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 35+45.8

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 14.0 Meters Left

BORING DURLV2

ENGINEER Palmer

E.A. # 72411

EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 790.94 (m)

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
	10.06		SPT	60/3.5"	60/3.5"	0	None			Refusal, No Recovery
779.9	11									
778.9	12									
777.9	13	13.11								
	13.56	E	SPT	33 73 90	163	100	H, PI, CH			
776.9	14									
775.9	15								CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Light brown with black limestone clasts, very dense	
774.9	16	16.15								
	16.37	F	SPT	40 60/2.5"	60/2.5"	47	H, PI			Refusal
773.9	17							GC		
772.9	18									
771.9	19	18.38								
			SPT	60/2"	60/2"	0			19.26	Refusal, No Recovery

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SHEET 3 OF 3

END DATE 3/3/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 35+45.8

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 14.0 Meters Left

BORING DURLV2

ENGINEER Palmer

E.A. # 72411

EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 790.94 (m)

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
769.9	21									
768.9	22									
767.9	23									
766.9	24									
765.9	25									
764.9	26									
763.9	27									
762.9	28									
761.9	29									

Bottom of Hole at 19.26 Meters, No Water Table Encountered

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**EXPLORATION LOG**

SHEET 1 OF 3

END DATE 4/27/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 33+98.9

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 16.76 Meters Left

BORING DURLV3

ENGINEER Palmer

E.A. # 72411

EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 794.00 (m)

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

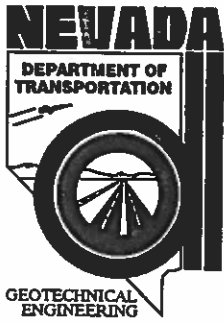
HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
793.0	0.15			5				GC GM	SILTY CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown with black limestone gravel, medium dense	Down Pressure 2068 kPa (300 psi) Samples B and C Mixed For Testing Due to High Gravel Content
	0.61	A	SPT	6	19	61	H, PI			
	1.07	B	SPT	17 26	60	78	S, PI	GP GM	POORLY GRADED GRAVEL WITH SILT AND SAND - Brown with black limestone gravel, very dense	
792.0	1.52	C	SPT	29 46	82	89	S, PI	GP GC	POOLY GRADED GRAVEL WITH SILTY CLAY AND SAND - Tannish brown, with black limestone gravel, very dense	Samples D and E Mixed For Testing Due to High Gravel Content
	1.98	D	SPT	34 38	123	89	S, PI			
	2.44	E	SPT	49 66	150	94	S, PI			
791.0	2.90	F	SPT	74 53	118	94	S, PI	GC GM	SILTY CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown with black limestone gravel, very dense	Refusal
	3.35	G	SPT	84 36	116	83	H, PI	SC SM	SILTY CLAYEY SAND WITH GRAVEL - Brown with black limestone gravel, very dense	
	3.68	H	SPT	59 42	50/0.75"	72	S, PI			
790.0	5.18			74 48				SC	CLAYEY SAND WITH GRAVEL - Brown with pinkish white caliche coatings on the black limestone gravel, very dense	Refusal, Small Sample, With 50 mm Rock
	5.31	I	SPT	94 50/0.75"	100/5"	60	None			
	5.79									
788.0	6.40							GM	SILTY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown with broken pieces of black limestone and red sandstone rocks, and pinkish white pieces of caliche in the cuttings	Down Pressure To 4136 kPa (600 psi) Refusal Down Pressure To 2068 kPa (300 psi)
	6.71							CE	CALICHE LAYER OR ROCK	
	6.71									
786.0	8.23							GM	SILTY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown with pinkish white caliche coatings on the black limestone gravel, very dense	Refusal, Small Sample
	8.31									
	8.31									
785.0	9.75							GM		Refusal, Small Sample
	9.75									
	9.75									

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**START DATE** 4/26/99  
**END DATE** 4/27/99  
**JOB DESCRIPTION** New Interchange  
**LOCATION** US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas  
**BORING** DURLV3  
**E.A. #** 72411  
**GROUND ELEV.** 794.00 (m)  
**HAMMER DROP SYSTEM** Safety Hammer

**EXPLORATION LOG**

**STATION** "D" 33+98.9  
**OFFSET** 16.76 Meters Left  
**ENGINEER** Palmer  
**EQUIPMENT** Mobile B80 Drill Rig  
**OPERATOR** Argall, Altamirano  
**DRILLING METHOD** Bentonite Slurry Wet  
**BACKFILLED** Yes **DATE** 5/13/99

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
783.0	11									
	11.38		SPT	50/2"	50/2"	0	None		SILTY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown with pinkish white caliche coatings on the black limestone gravel, very dense	Refusal, Small Sample
782.0	12									
781.0	13							GM		
780.0	14									
	14.33								14.45	Refusal, Small Sample
	14.45	J	SPT	100/5"	100/5"	100	S			
779.0	15									
778.0	16									
777.0	17									
776.0	18									
775.0	19									

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 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
 START DATE 4/26/99  
 END DATE 4/27/99  
 JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange  
 LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas  
 BORING DURLV3  
 E.A. # 72411  
 GROUND ELEV. 794.00 (m)  
 HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

**EXPLORATION LOG**

STATION "D" 33+98.9  
 OFFSET 16.76 Meters Left  
 ENGINEER Palmer  
 EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig  
 OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano  
 DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet  
 BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
773.0	21									
772.0	22									
771.0	23									
770.0	24									
769.0	25									
768.0	26									
767.0	27									
766.0	28									
765.0	29									

Bottom of Hole at 14.45 Meters, No Water Table Encountered

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**EXPLORATION LOG**

SHEET 1 OF 3

END DATE 4/29/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 34+85.0

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 18.9 Meters Left

BORING DURLV4

ENGINEER Palmer

E.A. # 72411

EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 791.60 (m)

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

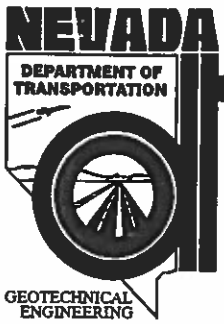
HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				
790.6	0.15							GP GM	SILTY CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown, up to 50 mm diameter black limestone gravel, very dense	Down Pressure 2068 kPa (300 psi)
	0.56	A	SPT	17	97	89	S, PI			
	0.61			45				GP GC	POORLY GRADED GRAVEL WITH SILTY CLAY AND SAND - Brown, up to 25 mm diameter black limestone gravel, very dense	Samples B and C Mixed For Testing Due to High Gravel Content
	1.09	B	SPT	29	130	94	S, PI			
	1.40	C	SPT	50	50/2"	72	S, PI			
789.6	1.52			52				GP GM	POORLY GRADED GRAVEL WITH SILT AND SAND - Brown, up to 38 mm diameter black limestone gravel coated with pinkish white caliche, very dense	Refusal Samples D and E Mixed For Testing Due to High Gravel Content Refusal
	1.85	D	SPT	38	107	72	S, PI			
	1.98			68						
788.6	2.34	E	SPT	39	50/3"	78	S, PI	GP GM	POORLY GRADED GRAVEL WITH SILT AND SAND - Brown, up to 38 mm diameter black limestone gravel coated with pinkish white caliche, very dense	Refusal, Small Sample
				46						
786.6	5.28	F	SPT	21	50/2"	6		GP GM	CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown, up to 25 mm diameter black limestone gravel coated with pinkish white caliche, very dense	Refusal, Small Sample
				46						
785.6				30/3"				GC	CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown, up to 25 mm diameter black limestone gravel coated with pinkish white caliche, very dense	Refusal, Small Sample
784.6								GC	CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown, up to 25 mm diameter black limestone gravel coated with pinkish white caliche, very dense	Refusal, Small Sample
783.6	8.28	G	SPT	39	65/3.5"	6		GC	CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown, up to 25 mm diameter black limestone gravel coated with pinkish white caliche, very dense	Refusal, Small Sample
782.6								GC		

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**EXPLORATION LOG**

SHEET 2 OF 3

END DATE 4/29/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 34+85.0

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 18.9 Meters Left

BORING DURLV4

ENGINEER Palmer

E.A. # 72411

EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 791.60 (m)

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT		Percent Recov'd	LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm					
780.6	11									Samples H, I, and J Mixed For Testing Due to Low Sample Recovery  Refusal
	11.28									
	11.42	H	SPT	75/4"	75/4"	31	S, PI			
779.6	12									CLAYEY GRAVEL WITH SAND - Brown, up to 25 mm diameter black limestone gravel coated with pinkish white caliche, also contains white and red sand and gravel, very dense
778.6	13									
777.6	14									
	14.33									Refusal
	14.43	I	SPT	50/4"	50/4"	22	S, PI			
776.6	15							GC		
775.6	16									Refusal
774.6	17									
	17.37									
	17.45	J	SPT	50/3"	50/3"	17	S, PI		17.45	
773.6	18									Refusal
772.6	19									

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**EXPLORATION LOG**

SHEET 3 OF 3

END DATE 4/29/99

JOB DESCRIPTION New Interchange

STATION "D" 34+85.0

LOCATION US 95 at Durango Drive, North Las Vegas

OFFSET 18.9 Meters Left

BORING DURLV4

ENGINEER Palmer

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EQUIPMENT Mobile B80 Drill Rig

GROUND ELEV. 791.60 (m)

GROUNDWATER LEVEL		
DATE	DEPTH m	ELEV. m

OPERATOR Argall, Altamirano

DRILLING METHOD Bentonite Slurry Wet

HAMMER DROP SYSTEM Safety Hammer

BACKFILLED Yes DATE 5/13/99

ELEV. (m)	DEPTH (m)	SAMPLE		BLOW COUNT			LAB TESTS	USCS Group	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	REMARKS
		NO.	TYPE	150 mm Increments	Last 300 mm	Percent Recov'd				

770.6	21									
769.6	22									Bottom of Hole at 17.45 Meters, No Water Table Encountered
768.6	23									
767.6	24									
766.6	25									
765.6	26									
764.6	27									
763.6	28									
762.6	29									

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# KEY TO BORING LOGS

PARTICLE SIZE LIMITS								
CLAY	SILT	SAND			GRAVEL		COBBLES	BOULDERS
		FINE	MEDIUM	COARSE	FINE	COARSE		
.002 mm	#200	#40	#10	#4	19 mm	75 mm	300 mm	

USCS GROUP	TYPICAL SOIL DESCRIPTION
GW	Well graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines
GP	Poorly graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines
GM	Silty gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-silt mixtures
GC	Clayey gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-clay mixtures
SW	Well graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines
SP	Poorly graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines
SM	Silty sands, poorly graded sand-silt mixtures
SC	Clayey sands, poorly graded sand-clay mixtures
ML	Inorganic silts and very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands with slight plasticity
CL	Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays
OL	Organic silts and organic silt-clays of low plasticity
MH	Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sandy or silty soils, elastic silts
CH	Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays
OH	Organic clays of medium to high plasticity
CS	Claystone/Siltstone
PT	Peat and other highly organic soils

### MOISTURE CONDITION CRITERIA

Description	Criteria
Dry	Absence of moisture, dusty, dry to touch.
Moist	Damp, no visible free water.
Wet	Visible free water, usually below groundwater table.

### SOIL CEMENTATION CRITERIA

Description	Criteria
Weak	Crumbles or breaks with handling or little finger pressure.
Moderate	Crumbles or breaks with considerable finger pressure.
Strong	Won't break or crumble w/finger pressure

Groundwater Elevation Symbols

STANDARD PENETRATION CLASSIFICATION*			
GRANULAR SOIL		CLAYEY SOIL	
BLOWS/FT	DENSITY	BLOWS/FT	CONSISTENCY
0 - 4	VERY LOOSE	0 - 1	VERY SOFT
5 - 10	LOOSE	2 - 4	SOFT
11 - 30	MEDIUM DENSE	5 - 8	MEDIUM STIFF
31 - 50	DENSE	9 - 15	STIFF
OVER 50	VERY DENSE	16 - 30	VERY STIFF
		31 - 60	HARD
		OVER 60	VERY HARD

\*Standard Penetration Test (N) 63.5 Kg hammer  
760mm free fall on 50.8mm O.D. x 35mm I.D. sampler.

Blow counts on Calif. Modified Sampler ( $N_{CMS}$ ) can be converted to  $N_{SPT}$  by:  
 $(N_{CMS})(0.62) = N_{SPT}$

Blow counts from Automatic or Safety Hammer can be converted to Standard SPT  $N_{60}$  by:  
 $(N_{AUTOMATIC})(1.25) = N_{60}$   
 $(N_{SAFETY})(1.17) = N_{60}$

TEST ABBREVIATIONS		SAMPLER NOTATION	
CD	CONSOLIDATED DRAINED	CMS	CALIF. MODIFIED SAMPLER <sup>①</sup>
CH	CHEMICAL (CORROSIVENESS)	CPT	CONE PENETRATION
CM	COMPACTION	CS	CONTINUOUS SAMPLER <sup>②</sup>
CU	CONSOLIDATED UNDRAINED	CSS	CALIFORNIA SPLIT SPOON <sup>③</sup>
D	DISPERSIVE SOILS	P	PUSHED (NOT DRIVEN)
DS	DIRECT SHEAR	PB	PITCHER BARREL
E	EXPANSIVE SOIL	RC	ROCK CORE <sup>④</sup>
G	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	SH	SHELBY TUBE <sup>④</sup>
H	HYDROMETER	SPT	STANDARD PENETRATION TEST
HC	HYDRO-COLLAPSE	TP	TEST PIT
K	PERMEABILITY		
O	ORGANIC CONTENT		
OC	CONSOLIDATION		
PI	PLASTICITY INDEX		
RQD	ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION		
RV	R-VALUE		
S	SIEVE ANALYSIS		
SL	SHRINKAGE LIMIT		
U	UNCONFINED COMPRESSION		
UU	UNCONSOLIDATED UNDRAINED		
UW	UNIT WEIGHT		
W	MOISTURE CONTENT		

SOIL COLOR DESIGNATIONS ARE FROM THE MUNSELL SOIL COLOR CHART.  
 EXAMPLE: (7.5 YR 5/3) BROWN

①- I.D.= 61.5 mm  
 ②- I.D.=82 mm with tube; 88.9mm w/o tube  
 ③- NXB I.D.= 47.625mm  
 ④- I.D.= 73mm



**APPENDIX D**

**TEST RESULTS**

**SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS  
N.D.O.T. GEOTECHNICAL SECTION**

E.A. No. 72411      Job Description SR 95 @ Durango - Clark County      Station 35+45.8    13.8m Rt.  
 Boring No. DUR4      Elevation (m)

SAMPLE NO.	SAMPLE DEPTH (m)	SAMPLER TYPE	N BLOWS per .3m	SOIL GROUP	W%	WET UW KN/m <sup>3</sup>	% PASS #200	LL %	PL %	PI %	STRENGTH TEST			COMMENTS
											TEST TYPE	φ deg.	C KN/m <sup>2</sup>	
A	0.15 - 0.61	SPT		GC-GM	6.8		13.3	22	17	5				
BC	0.61 - 1.52	SPT		GP-GC	5.5 / 7.7		9.4	20	15	5				Mixed samples
DE	1.52 - 2.44	SPT		GP-GM	3.9 / 7.1		10.6	18	15	3				Mixed samples
F	5.18 - 5.64	SPT												Visual sample - no tests
G	8.23 - 8.69	SPT												Visual sample - no tests
H	11.28 - 11.73	SPT		GC	13.0		13.8	41	22	19				Samples H,I,J combined for testing
I	14.33 - 14.78	SPT			10.9									
J	17.37 - 17.45	SPT			9.8									

**CMS** = California Modified Sampler 61mm ID  
**SPT** = Standard Penetration 35mm ID  
**CS** = Continuous Sample 82mm ID  
**RC** = Rock Core  
**PB** = Pitcher Barrel  
**CSS** = Calif. Split Spoon 61.5mm ID  
**CPT** = Cone Penetration Test  
**TP** = Test Pit  
**P** = Pushed, not driven  
**R** = Refusal  
**Sh** = Shelby Tube 73 mm ID  
  
**U** = Unconfined Compressive  
**UU** = Unconsolidated Undrained  
**CD** = Consolidated Drained  
**CU** = Consolidated Undrained  
**DS** = Direct Shear  
**φ** = Friction  
**C** = Cohesion  
**N** = No. of blows per 0.3m, sampler driven under 64kg mass dropped 760mm.  
**N** = Field SPT      **N** = (N<sub>ess</sub>)(0.62)  
  
**H** = Hydrometer  
**S** = Sieve  
**G** = Specific Gravity  
**PI** = Plasticity Index  
**LL** = Liquid Limit  
**PL** = Plastic Limit  
**NP** = Non-Plastic  
**OC** = Consolidation  
**Ch** = Chemical  
**RV** = R - Value  
  
**CM** = Compaction  
**E** = Swell/Pressure on Expansive Soils  
**SL** = Shrinkage Limit  
**UW** = Unit Weight  
**W** = Moisture Content  
**K** = Permeability  
**O** = Organic Content  
**D** = Dispersive  
**RQD** = Rock Quality Designation

**SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS  
N.D.O.T. GEOTECHNICAL SECTION**

E.A. No. 72411

Job Description SR 95 @ Durango - Clark County

Boring No. DUR3

Elevation (m)

Station 35+45.8 13.8m Rt.

SAMPLE NO.	SAMPLE DEPTH (m)	SAMPLER TYPE	N BLOWS per .3m	SOIL GROUP	W%	WET UW KN/m <sup>3</sup>	% PASS #200	LL %	PL %	PI %	STRENGTH TEST			COMMENTS
											TEST TYPE	φ deg.	C KN/m <sup>2</sup>	
A	0.15 - 0.61	SPT	19	GC-GM	10.9		24.1	24	19	5				
BC	0.61 - 1.52	SPT	60/82	GP-GM	6.5 / 7.6		8.9	21	18	3				
DE	1.52 - 2.44	SPT	123/150	GP-GC	5.9 / 5.3		9.5	19	14	5				
F	2.44 - 2.90	SPT	118	GC-GM	5.7		16.6	22	15	7				
G	2.90 - 3.35	SPT	116		9.2		24.1	21	15	6				
H	3.35 - 3.81	SPT	R	SC	9.2		20.9	21	13	8				
I	5.18 - 5.64	SPT	R											Visual sample - no tests
J	14.33 - 14.78	SPT	R	GM	11		13.3							

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CSS = Calif. Split Spoon 61.5mm ID

CPT = Cone Penetration Test

TP = Test Pit

P = Pushed, not driven

R = Refusal

Sh = Shelby Tube 73 mm ID

U = Unconfined Compressive

UU = Unconsolidated Undrained

CD = Consolidated Drained

CU = Consolidated Undrained

DS = Direct Shear

φ = Friction

C = Cohesion

N = No. of blows per 0.3m, sampler driven under 64kg mass

dropped 760mm.

N = Field SPT

N = (N<sub>cas</sub>)(0.62)

H = Hydrometer

S = Sieve

G = Specific Gravity

PI = Plasticity Index

LL = Liquid Limit

PL = Plastic Limit

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RV = R - Value

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E = Swell/Pressure on Expansive Soils

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**SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS  
N.D.O.T. GEOTECHNICAL SECTION**

E.A. No. 72411

Job Description SR 95 @ Durango - Clark County

Boring No. DUR2

Elevation (m)

Station 35+45.8 13.8m Rt.

SAMPLE NO.	SAMPLE DEPTH (m)	SAMPLER TYPE	N BLOWS per .3m	SOIL GROUP	W %	WET UW KN/m <sup>3</sup>	% PASS #200	LL %	PL %	PI %	STRENGTH TEST		COMMENTS
											TEST TYPE	φ deg.	
A	0.46 - 0.91	SPT	66										Visual sample - no tests
B	0.91 - 1.37	SPT	120	GP-GM			10.1						Ch
C	1.37 - 1.83	SPT	R	GM			12.3						
D	3.96 - 4.42	SPT	R	GP-GM			11.6						
E	13.1 - 13.6	SPT	163	GC			21.9	43	22	21			Ch
F	16.2 - 16.6	SPT	R	GC			28.3	33	14	19			

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**SUMMARY OF TEST RESULTS  
N.D.O.T. GEOTECHNICAL SECTION**

E.A. No. 72411

Job Description SR 95 @ Durango - Clark County

Boring No. DUR1

Elevation (m)

Station 35+45.8 13.8m Rt.

SAMPLE NO.	SAMPLE DEPTH (m)	SAMPLER TYPE	N BLOWS per .3m	SOIL GROUP	W%	WET UW KN/m <sup>3</sup>	% PASS #200	LL %	PL %	PI %	STRENGTH TEST		COMMENTS
											TEST TYPE	φ deg.	
A	1.98 - 2.44	SPT	R	GP-GM			7.8						
B	8.53 - 8.99	SPT	R										
CD	10.1 - 12.0	SPT	R	GP-GM			11.1						Mixed samples
E	13.1 - 13.6	SPT	R										Visual sample - no tests
F	14.6 - 15.1	SPT	R										Visual sample - no tests
GH	17.7 - 21.2	SPT	R	GM			14.0						Mixed samples
I	23.8 - 24.2	SPT	77	GM			22.7						

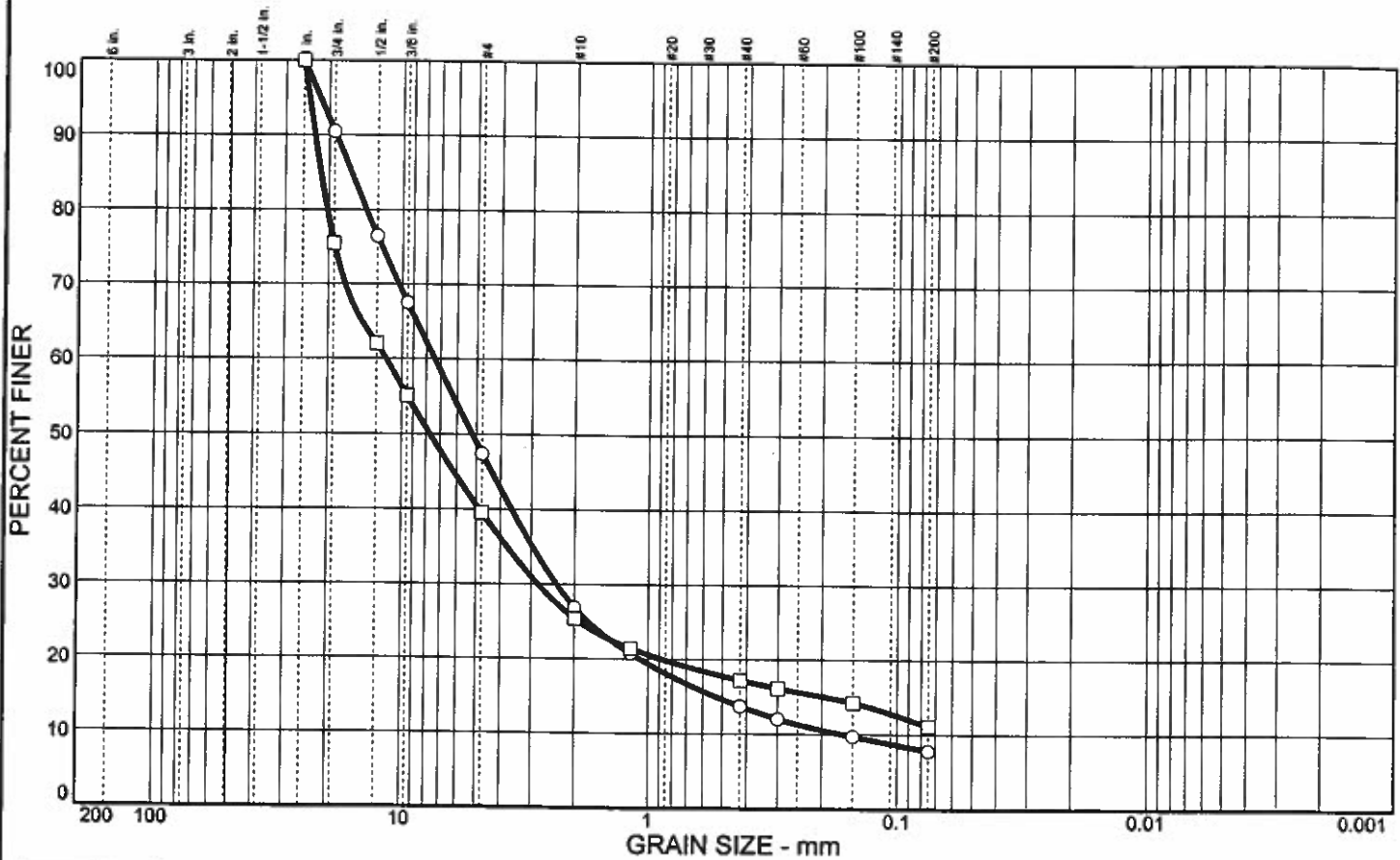
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 N = No. of blows per 0.3m, sampler driven under 64kg mass dropped 760mm.  
 N = Field SPT      N = (N<sub>60</sub>)(0.62)

H = Hydrometer  
 S = Sieve  
 G = Specific Gravity  
 PI = Plasticity Index  
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 X = X-Ray Diffraction

# Particle Size Distribution Report



	% COBBLES	% GRAVEL	% SAND	% SILT	% CLAY	USCS	AASHTO	PL	LL
○		52.6	39.6		7.8	GP-GM			
□		60.5	28.4		11.1	GP-GM			

SIEVE inches size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
1"	100.0	100.0
3/4"	90.5	75.5
1/2"	76.5	62.0
3/8"	67.5	55.1
GRAIN SIZE		
D60	7.39	11.6
D30	2.37	2.82
D10	0.167	
COEFFICIENTS		
C <sub>c</sub>	4.55	
C <sub>u</sub>	44.31	

SIEVE number size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
#4	47.4	39.5
#10	26.9	25.4
#16	20.7	21.4
#40	13.7	17.2
#50	12.0	16.1
#100	9.7	14.2
#200	7.8	11.1

**SOIL DESCRIPTION**

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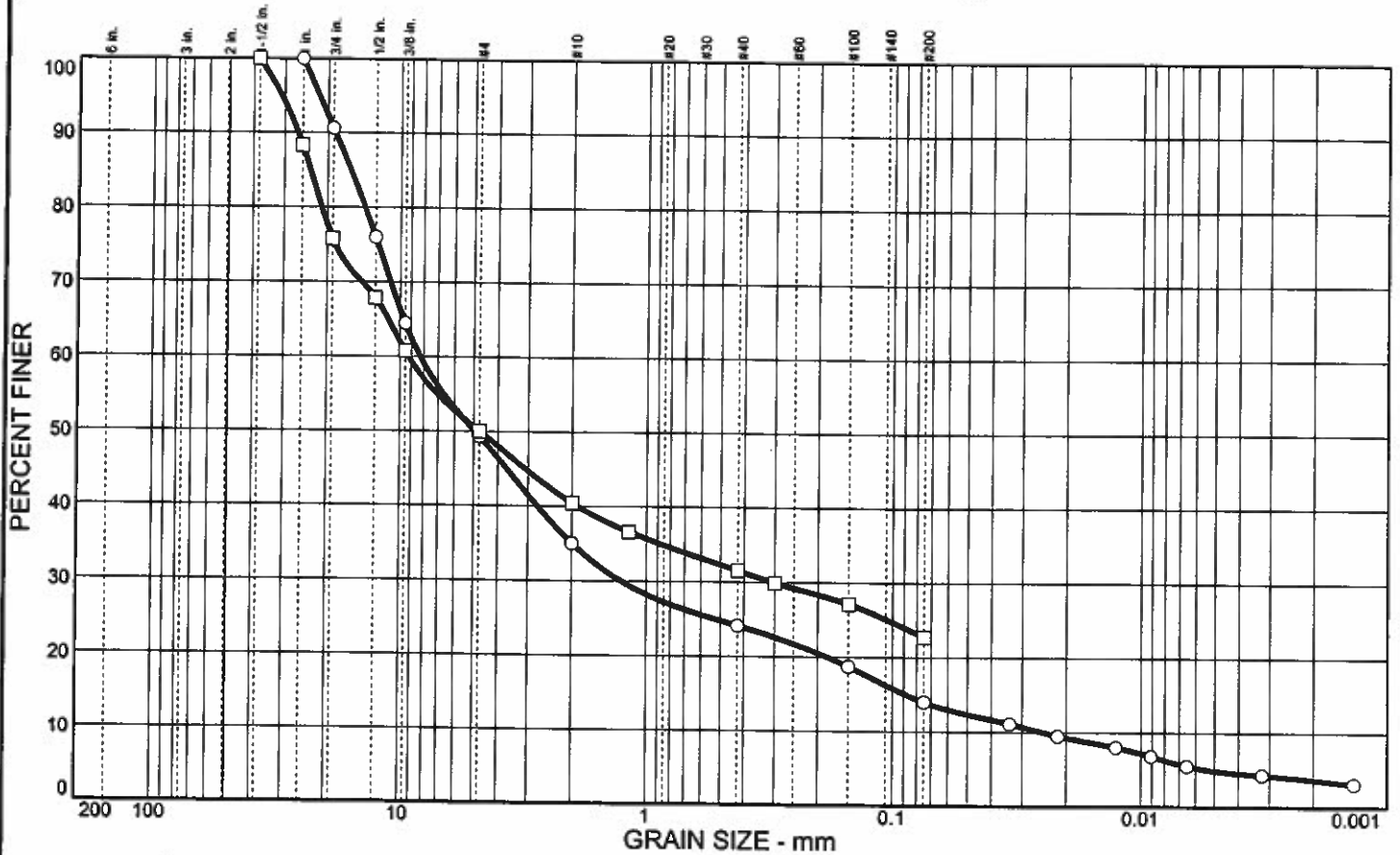
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 □ Location: Boring DUR1, sample: CD

# Particle Size Distribution Report



	% COBBLES	% GRAVEL	% SAND	% SILT	% CLAY	USCS	AASHTO	PL	LL
○		50.7	35.3	10.3	3.7	GM			
□		50.0	27.3	22.7		GM			

SIEVE inches size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
1.5"	100.0	100.0
1"	90.6	88.3
3/4"	76.0	75.8
1/2"	64.5	67.9
3/8"	50.0	60.8
GRAIN SIZE		
D60	8.25	9.21
D30	1.27	0.307
D10	0.0250	
COEFFICIENTS		
C <sub>c</sub>	7.81	
C <sub>u</sub>	330.52	

SIEVE number size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
#4	49.3	50.0
#10	35.0	40.4
#16	36.6	36.6
#40	24.1	31.5
#50	29.9	29.9
#100	18.7	27.1
#200	14.0	22.7

**SOIL DESCRIPTION**  
○ Silty gravel with sand  
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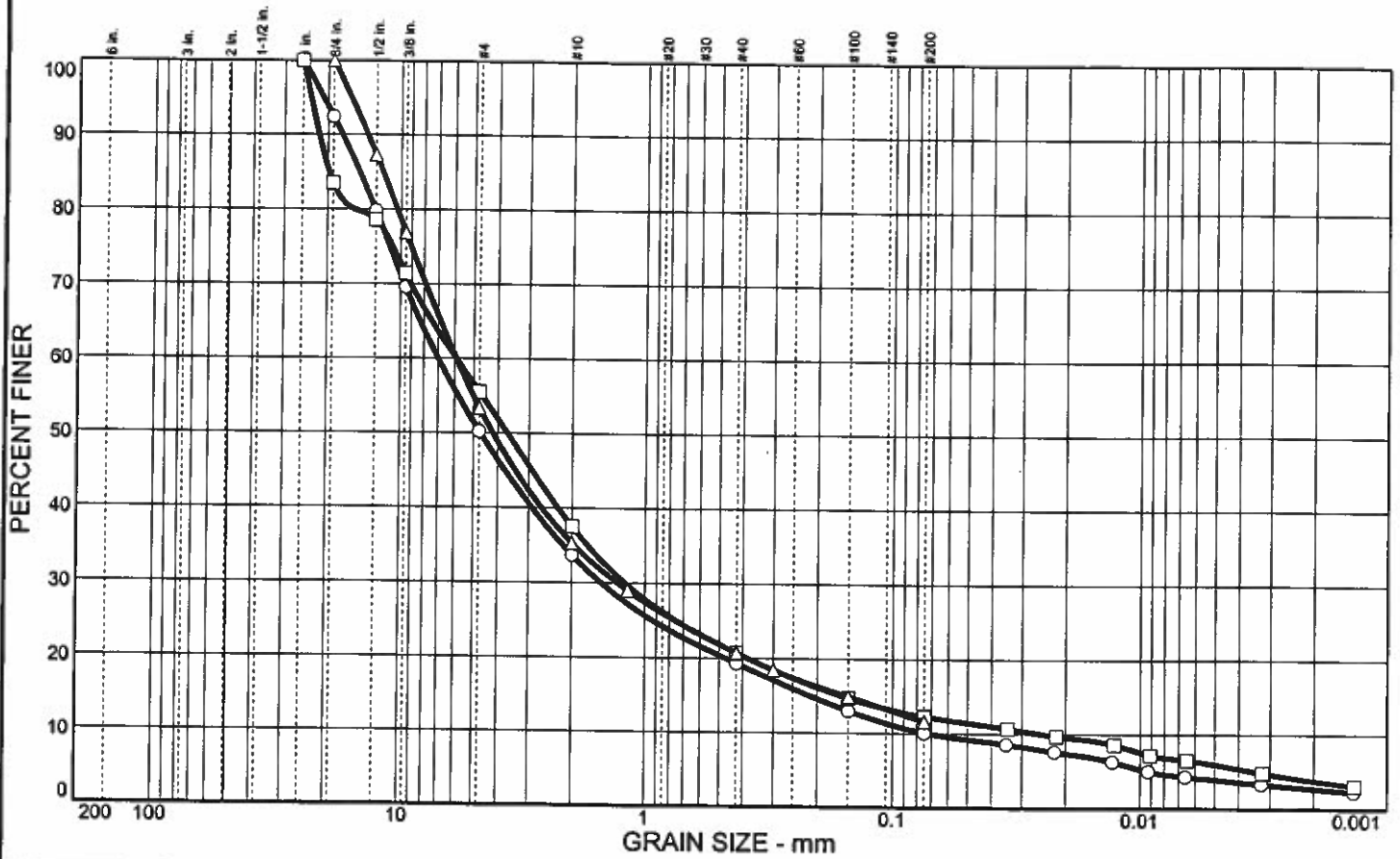
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# Particle Size Distribution Report



	% COBBLES	% GRAVEL	% SAND	% SILT	% CLAY	USCS	AASHTO	PL	LL
○		49.8	40.1	7.4	2.7	GP-GM			
□		44.5	43.2	8.5	3.8	GM			
△		46.6	41.8	11.6		GP-GM			

SIEVE inches size	PERCENT FINER		
	○	□	△
1"	100.0	100.0	100.0
3/4"	92.4	83.5	87.3
1/2"	79.8	78.6	76.9
3/8"	69.6	71.4	76.9
GRAIN SIZE			
D60	6.99	5.90	5.89
D30	1.52	1.21	1.30
D10	0.0723	0.0253	
COEFFICIENTS			
C <sub>c</sub>	4.56	9.83	
C <sub>u</sub>	96.62	232.95	

SIEVE number size	PERCENT FINER		
	○	□	△
#4	50.2	55.5	53.4
#10	33.7	37.5	35.3
#16			29.0
#40	19.3	20.7	20.7
#50			18.4
#100	13.0	14.7	14.9
#200	10.1	12.3	11.6

**SOIL DESCRIPTION**

○ Poorly graded gravel with silt and sand

□ Silty gravel with sand

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**REMARKS:**

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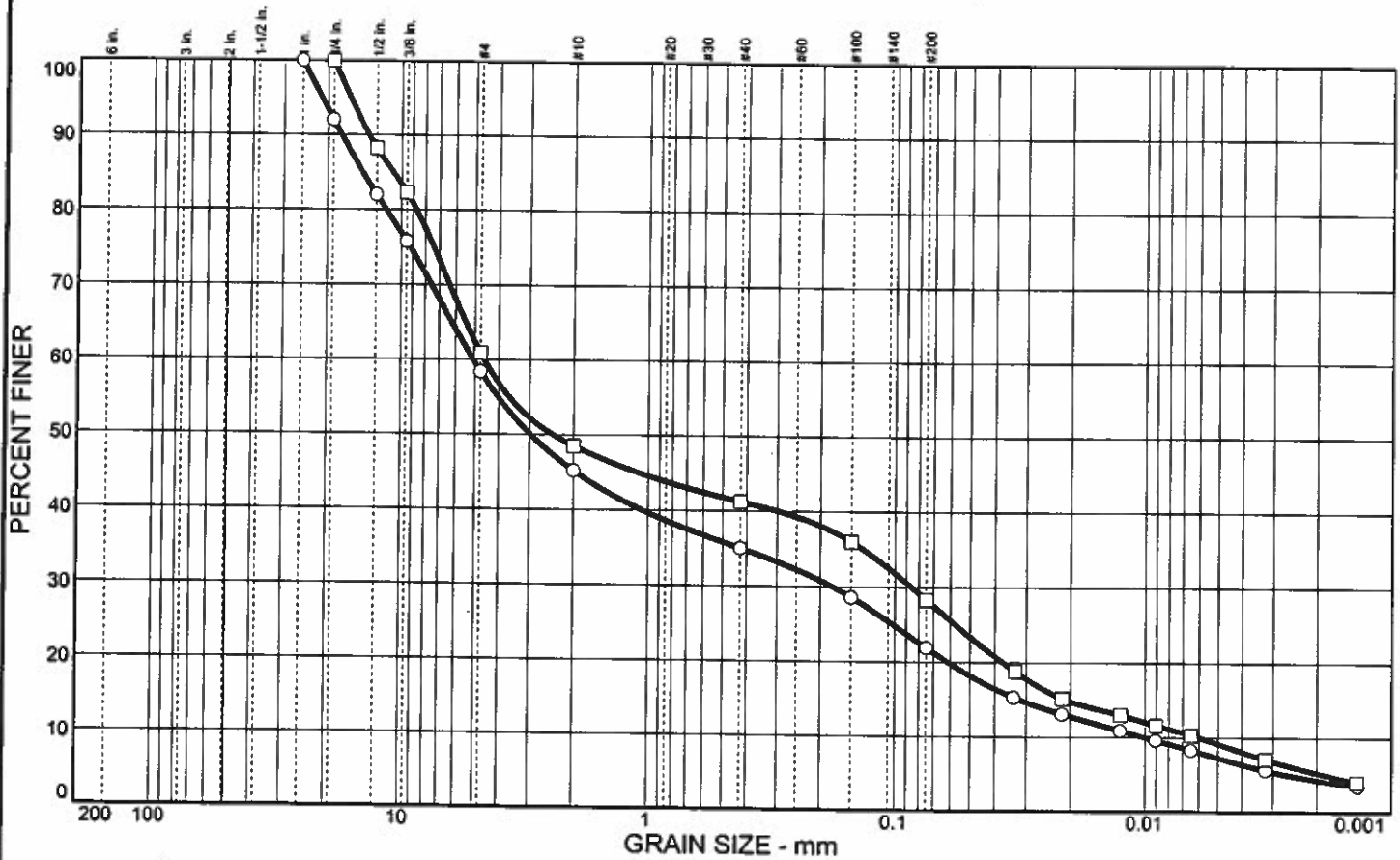
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 △ Location: Boring DUR2, sample: D



# Particle Size Distribution Report



	% COBBLES	% GRAVEL	% SAND	% SILT	% CLAY	USCS	AASHTO	PL	LL
○		41.6	36.5	17.6	4.3	GC		21	43
□		39.1	32.6	23.1	5.2	GC		19	33

SIEVE inches size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
1"	100.0	100.0
3/4"	92.0	100.0
1/2"	82.0	88.2
3/8"	75.8	82.3
GRAIN SIZE		
D60	5.09	4.59
D30	0.179	0.0861
D10	0.0101	0.0060
COEFFICIENTS		
Cc	0.63	0.27
Cu	505.53	763.16

SIEVE number size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
#4	58.4	60.9
#10	45.2	48.5
#40	35.0	41.2
#100	28.6	36.0
#200	21.9	28.3

**SOIL DESCRIPTION**

○ Clayey gravel with sand

□ Clayey gravel with sand

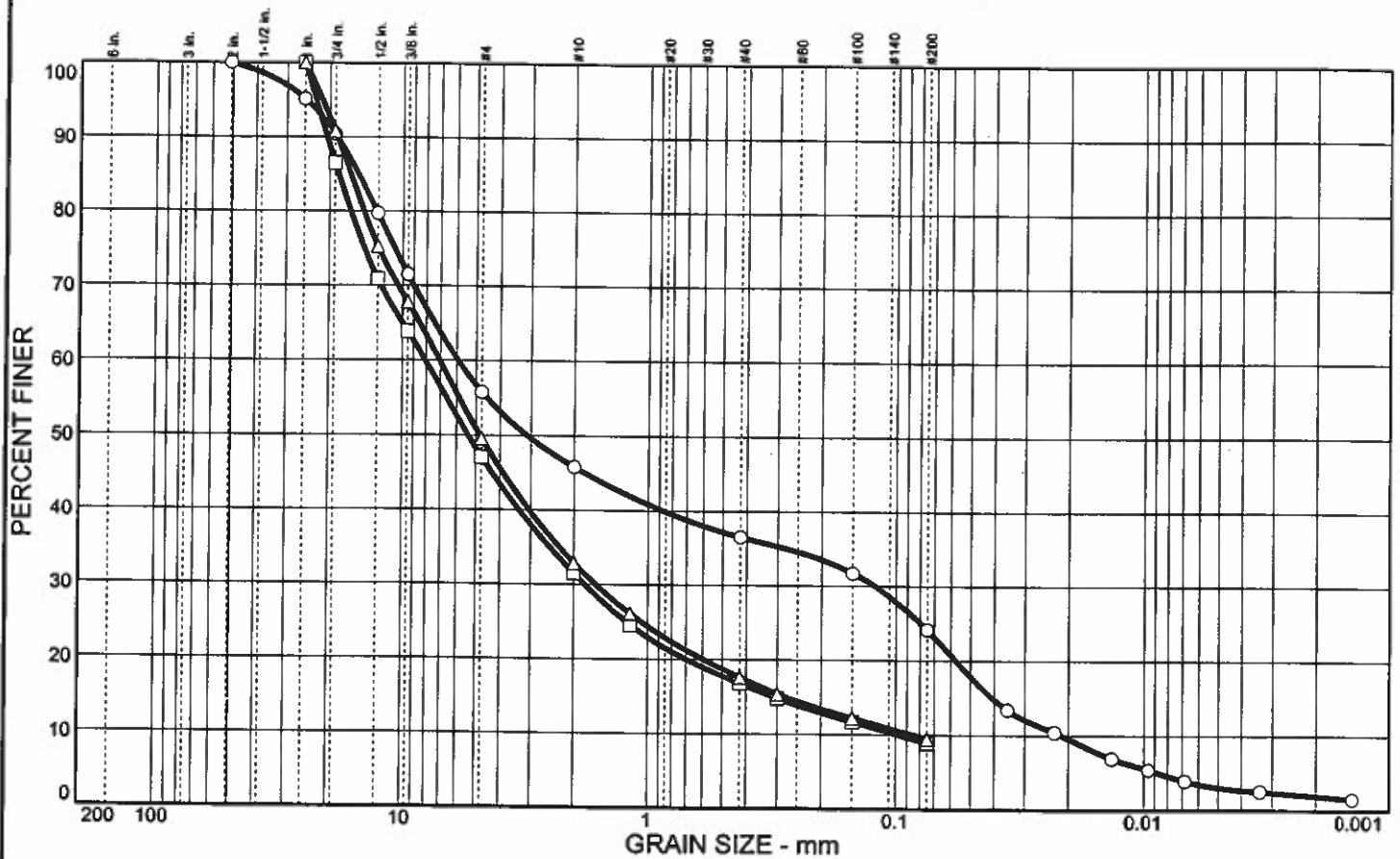
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 □ Location: Boring DUR2, sample: F

# Particle Size Distribution Report



	% COBBLES	% GRAVEL	% SAND	% SILT	% CLAY	USCS	AASHTO	PL	LL
○		44.2	31.7	22.2	1.9	GC-GM		19	24
□		52.9	38.2	8.9		GP-GM		18	21
△		50.4	40.1	9.5		GP-GC		14	19

SIEVE inches size	PERCENT FINER		
	○	□	△
2"	100.0		
1"	95.1	100.0	100.0
3/4"	90.4	86.5	90.8
1/2"	79.7	70.9	75.3
3/8"	71.5	63.9	67.8
GRAIN SIZE			
D60	5.93	8.08	7.05
D30	0.123	1.80	1.63
D10	0.0214	0.0985	0.0854
COEFFICIENTS			
C <sub>c</sub>	0.12	4.09	4.40
C <sub>u</sub>	277.15	81.99	82.54

SIEVE number size	PERCENT FINER		
	○	□	△
#4	55.8	47.1	49.6
#10	45.8	31.5	32.9
#16		24.6	26.1
#40	36.5	16.8	17.6
#50		14.8	15.4
#100	31.7	11.7	12.2
#200	24.1	8.9	9.5

**SOIL DESCRIPTION**

- Silty clayey gravel with sand
- Poorly graded gravel with silt and sand
- △ Poorly graded gravel with silty clay and sand

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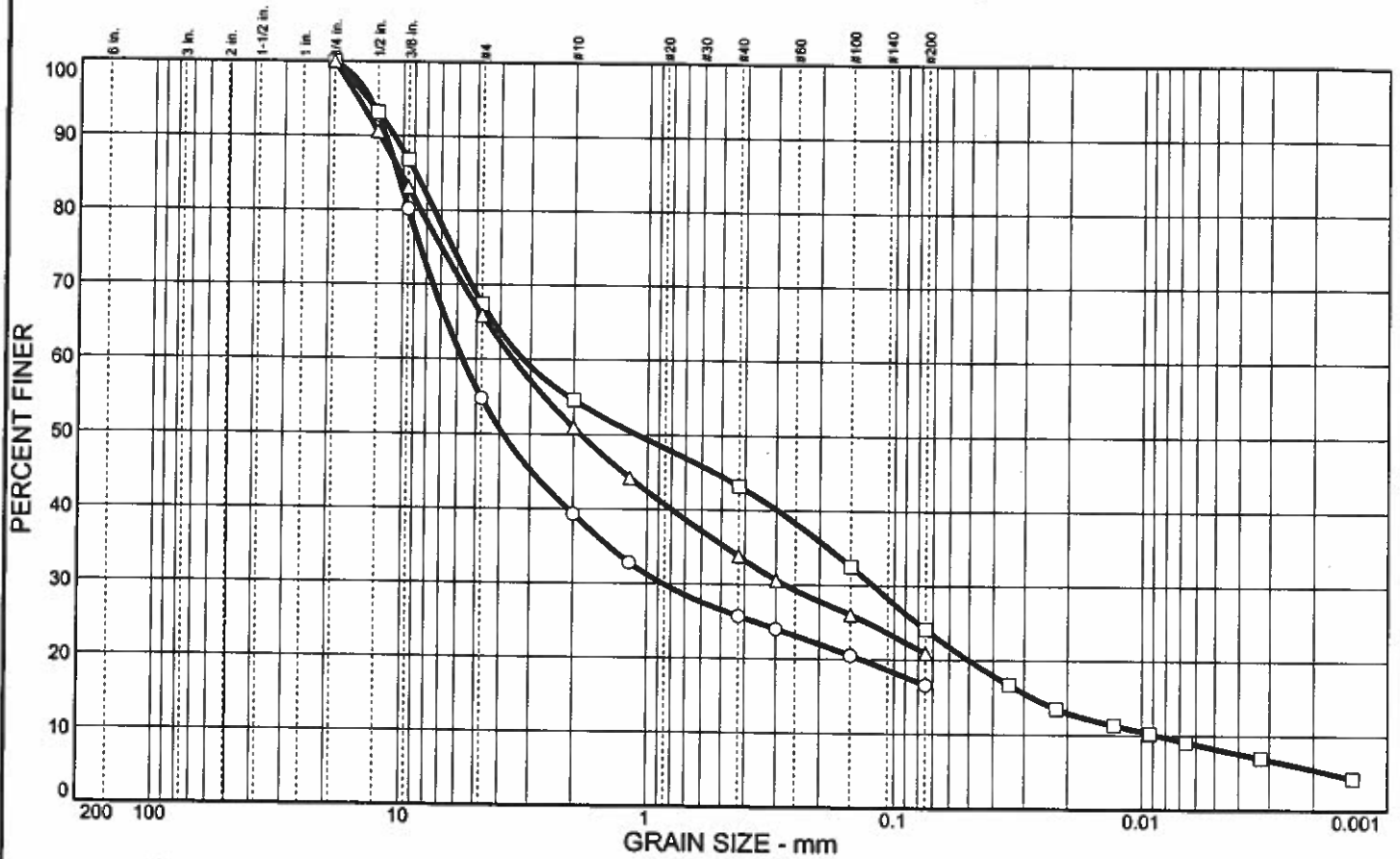
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# Particle Size Distribution Report



	% COBBLES	% GRAVEL	% SAND	% SILT	% CLAY	USCS	AASHTO	PL	LL
○		45.2	38.2	16.6		GC-GM		15	22
□		32.6	43.3	18.6	5.5	SC-SM		15	21
Δ		34.1	45.0	20.9		SC		13	21

SIEVE inches size	PERCENT FINER		
	○	□	Δ
3/4"	100.0	100.0	100.0
1/2"	92.8	93.2	90.6
3/8"	80.2	86.8	83.1
GRAIN SIZE			
D60	5.68	3.22	3.53
D30	0.867	0.122	0.278
D10		0.0087	
COEFFICIENTS			
C <sub>c</sub>		0.53	
C <sub>u</sub>		369.14	

SIEVE number size	PERCENT FINER		
	○	□	Δ
#4	54.8	67.4	65.9
#10	39.3	54.6	50.9
#16	32.8		44.2
#40	25.7	43.2	33.8
#50	24.0		30.6
#100	20.5	32.5	26.0
#200	16.6	24.1	20.9

**SOIL DESCRIPTION**

○ Silty clayey gravel with sand

□ Silty, clayey sand with gravel

Δ Clayey sand with gravel

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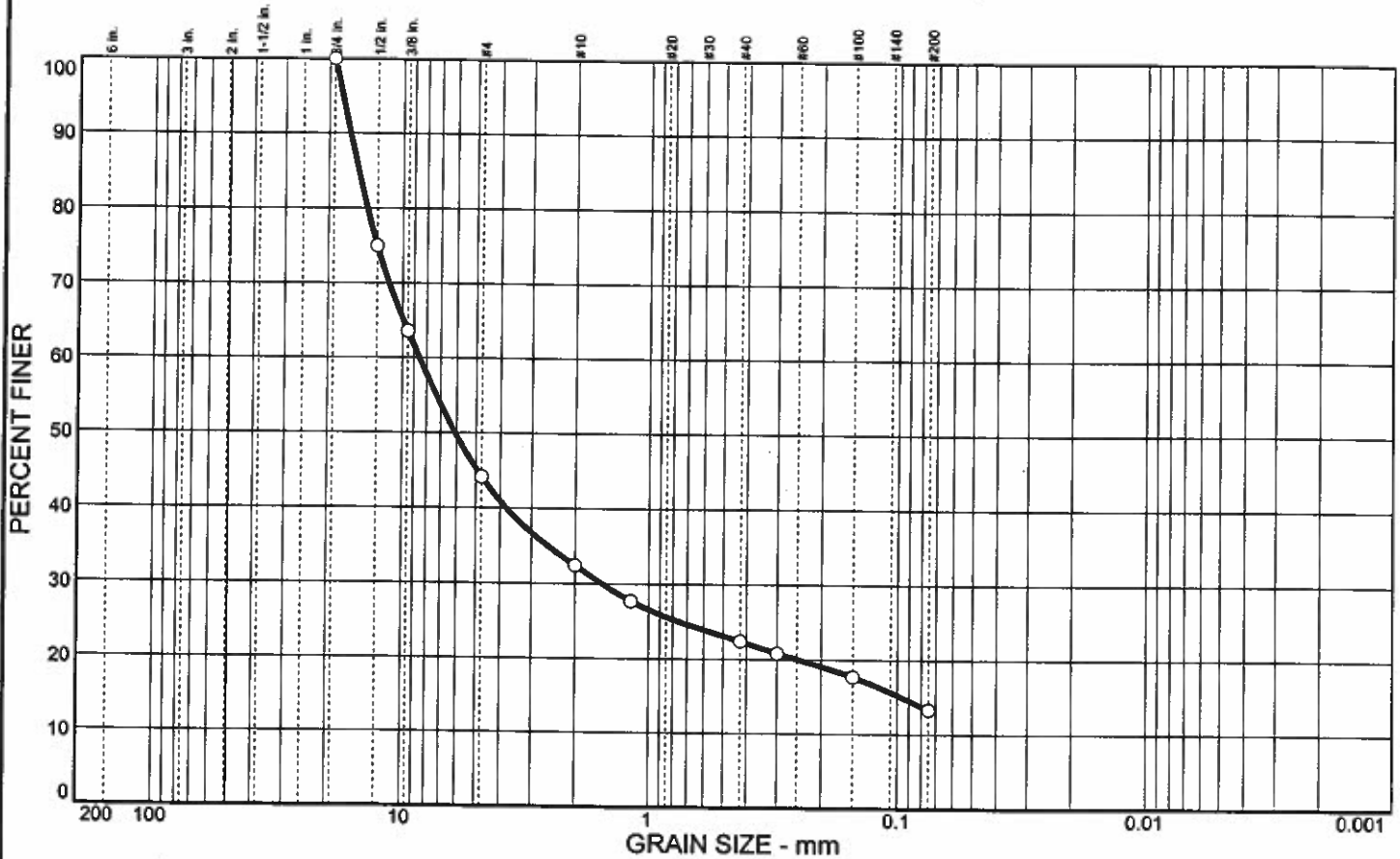
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# Particle Size Distribution Report



% COBBLES	% GRAVEL	% SAND	% SILT	% CLAY	USCS	AASHTO	PL	LL
0	55.9	30.8	13.3		GM			

SIEVE inches size	PERCENT FINER		
	○		
3/4"	100.0		
1/2"	75.0		
3/8"	63.6		
GRAIN SIZE			
D60	8.55		
D30	1.55		
D10			
COEFFICIENTS			
Cc			
Cu			

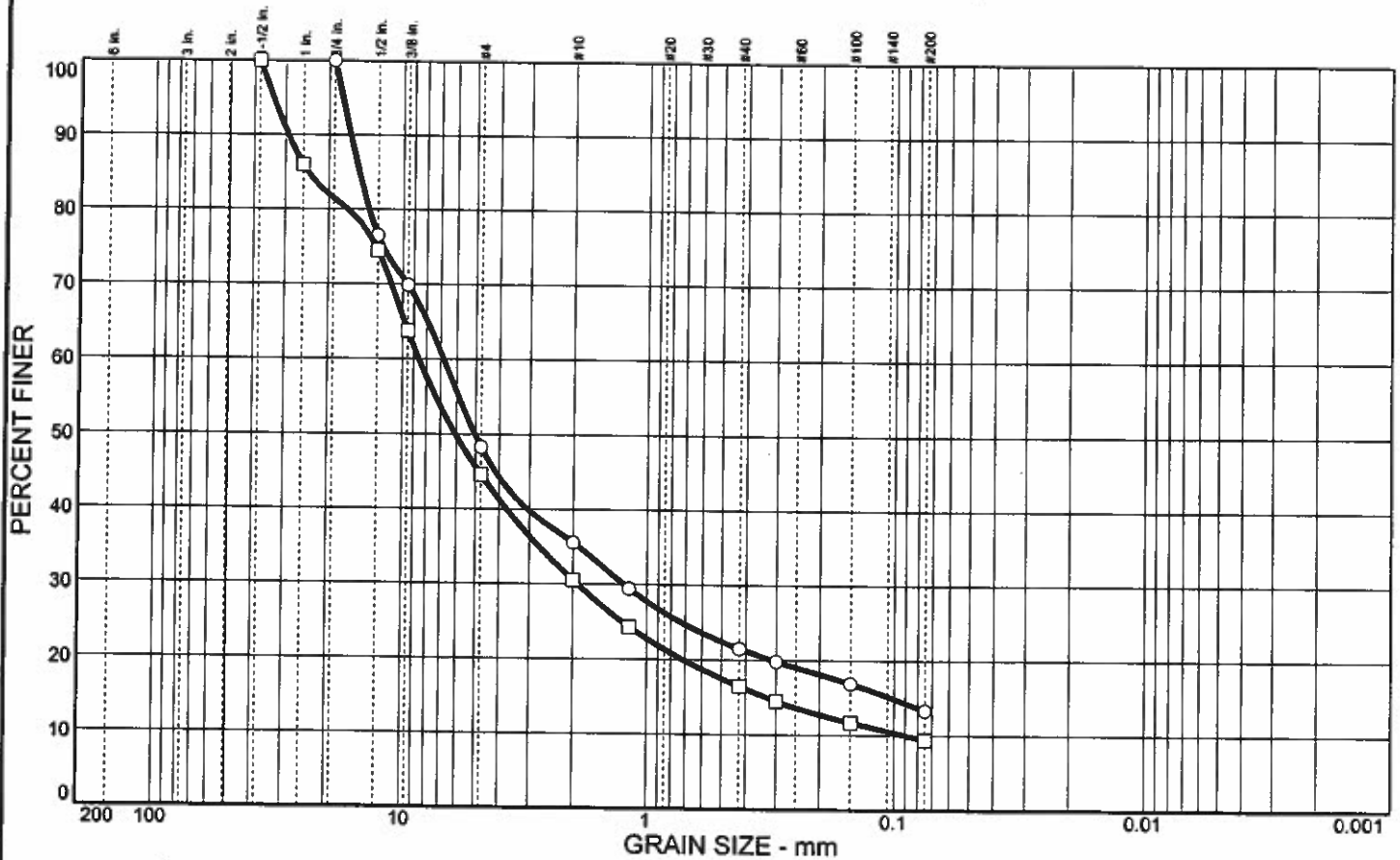
SIEVE number size	PERCENT FINER		
	○		
#4	44.1		
#10	32.4		
#16	27.7		
#40	22.4		
#50	20.8		
#100	17.7		
#200	13.3		

**SOIL DESCRIPTION**  
○ Silty gravel with sand

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○ Location: Boring DUR3, sample: J

# Particle Size Distribution Report



	% COBBLES	% GRAVEL	% SAND	% SILT	% CLAY	USCS	AASHTO	PL	LL
○		51.7	35.0		13.3	GC-GM		17	22
□		55.4	35.2		9.4	GP-GC		15	20

SIEVE inches size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
1-1/2"	100.0	100.0
1"	86.0	86.0
3/4"	76.5	76.5
1/2"	69.9	74.5
3/8"	63.8	63.8
GRAIN SIZE		
D60	6.80	8.57
D30	1.25	1.93
D10		0.0901
COEFFICIENTS		
Cc		4.80
Cu		95.16

SIEVE number size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
#4	48.3	44.6
#10	35.5	30.5
#16	29.4	24.3
#40	21.5	16.5
#50	19.8	14.5
#100	16.9	11.7
#200	13.3	9.4

**SOIL DESCRIPTION**

○ Silty clayey gravel with sand

□ Poorly graded gravel with silty clay and sand

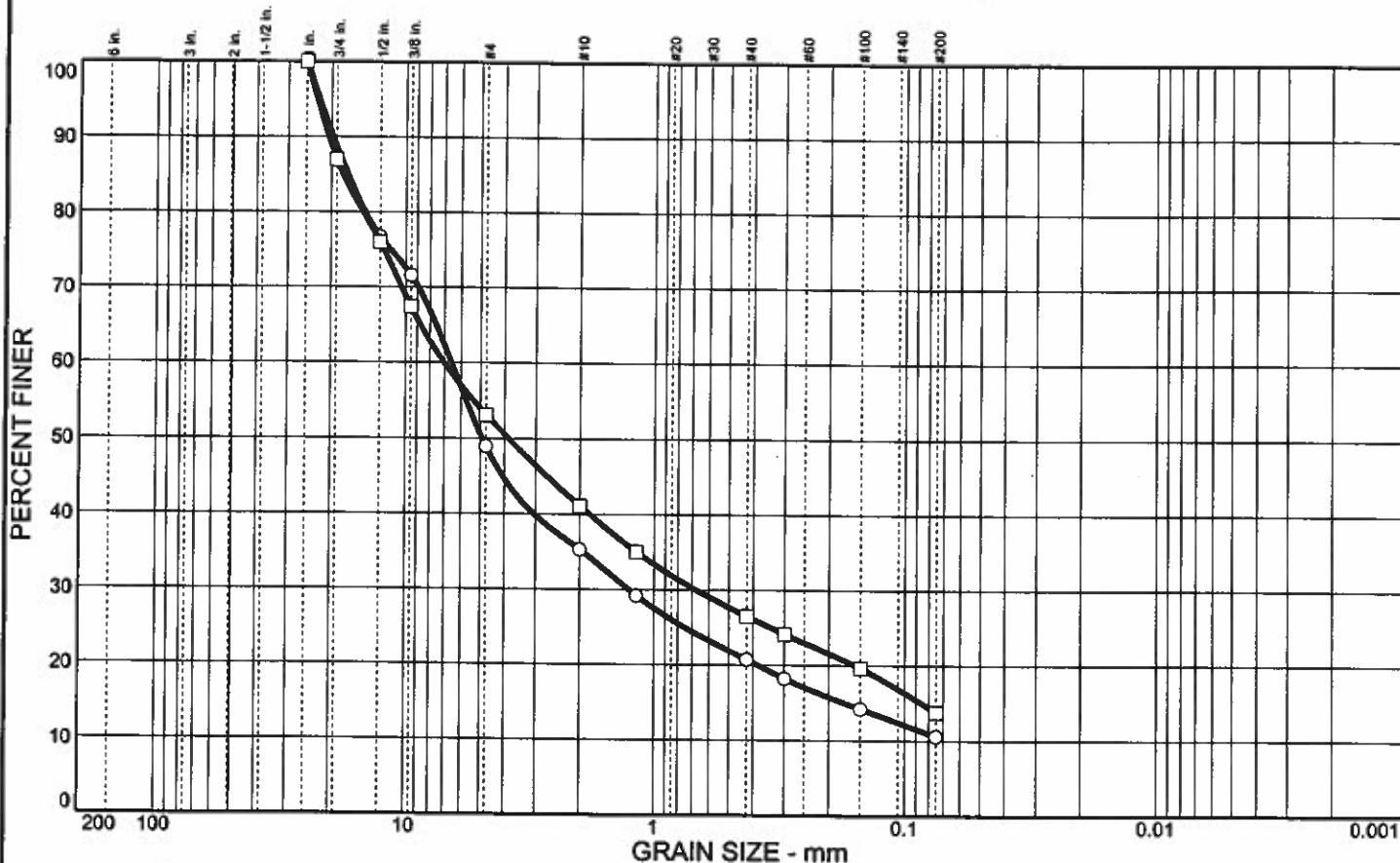
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# Particle Size Distribution Report



	% COBBLES	% GRAVEL	% SAND	% SILT	% CLAY	USCS	AASHTO	PL	LL
○		51.1	38.3		10.6	GP-GM		15	18
□		46.9	39.3		13.8	GC		22	41

SIEVE inches size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
1"	100.0	100.0
3/4"		87.0
1/2"	76.7	76.0
3/8"	71.6	67.4
GRAIN SIZE		
D60	6.56	7.04
D30	1.27	0.679
D10		
COEFFICIENTS		
Cc		
Cu		

SIEVE number size	PERCENT FINER	
	○	□
#4	48.9	53.1
#10	35.3	41.1
#16	29.2	35.0
#40	20.7	26.5
#50	18.2	24.1
#100	14.2	19.6
#200	10.6	13.8

**SOIL DESCRIPTION**

Poorly graded gravel with silt and sand

Clayey gravel with sand

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**CHEMICAL ANALYSIS**

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PROJECT US 95 @ Durango Interchange

BORING # DUR2

Sample No.	Chlorides ppm	Sulfates ppm	Ph	Resistivity Ohm-cm
B	50	0	8.4	3,597
E	50	0	8.5	3,676

R-Values at Durango Interchange.

STATION	LOCATION FROM CENTERLINE	DEPTH	R-VALUE
"XS1" 88+91	91.44 meters left	0 to 1.524 meters	80
"XS1" 88+91	121.92 meters right	0 to 1.524 meters	78