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I. INTRODUCTION

General

A geotechnical investigation has been conducted for the proposed new I-15 & SR-160 (Blue Diamond) Interchange in Las Vegas, Nevada. This interchange will be located about 140 meters south of the existing Arden Interchange.

Purpose and Scope of Study

The purpose of this geotechnical investigation was to determine the subsurface soil conditions of the site, to provide geotechnical design criteria, and to provide construction recommendations for the proposed interchange. The scope of this investigation included site reconnaissance, subsurface exploration, soil sampling, laboratory testing, analysis of field and laboratory data, research of available geologic literature pertaining to the site, and report preparation. This report provides information, conclusion, and recommendations for:

- * The encountered site subsurface soils conditions
- * Physical and geotechnical properties of the soils
- * Potential geotechnical risks to the structures
- * Foundation type and design criteria
- * Settlement analysis of the structure
- * Lateral earth pressures on earth retaining walls
- * Drainage systems for the earth retaining walls
- * Seismic response spectra
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- * Earthwork
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Geotechnical Exploration

During April and May of 2000, the Geotechnical Section of the Materials Division of NDOT conducted a subsurface investigation at the proposed structure site. The subsurface soil conditions were explored by drilling five borings to a maximum depth of 27.3 meters (89.5 feet). The approximate locations of the borings are shown in Appendix A. Drilling was performed using wet rotary wash drilling technique. Logs of the subsurface conditions, as encountered during the field investigation, were recorded by a geotechnical engineer. Logs of the boring are shown in Appendix B. Drive samples were obtained using a Standard Penetration Testing (SPT-ASTM D1586) sampler and a 63.5 millimeters (2.5 inch) internal diameter California Modified Sampler (CMS) equipped with brass liners (ASTM D3550). Both samplers were advanced using a 63.5-kilogram (140-lb) mass falling free from a height of 760 millimeters (30 inches). Sampler driving resistance (N-value), expressed as blows per 0.3 meters (one foot) of penetration, is presented on the boring logs at the respective sampling depth. The N-values is an indication of the apparent density of coarse-grained soils and the consistency of fine-grained soils. The blow counts presented on the boring logs have not been corrected for sampler type, overburden pressure, hammer type, rod length, etc. The correction factors are provided on the Key to Boring Log sheet, Appendix B.

Representative soil samples and N-values were obtained. Selected soil samples were tested at the NDOT headquarters' laboratory facilities.

Recommendations contained in this report are based on the information obtained from our field explorations, laboratory tests, and observations of our Project Engineer. The nature and extent of variations may not be evident until the construction takes place. If conditions are encountered during construction, which differs from those described in this report, or if the scope of construction is altered significantly, the Geotechnical Section must be notified in order that a review of our recommendations can be provided.

This report was prepared in accordance with accepted standards of geotechnical practice.

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Laboratory Testing

Laboratory testing program for selected samples consisted of:

- Natural Moisture Contents (AASHTO T-265)
- Particle Size Gradations (AASHTO T-88 and ASTM D1140)
- Atterberg Limits (AASHTO T-89 AND T-90)
- Unit Weight (ASTM D2937)
- Specific gravity (ASTM D854)
- Hydro-Collapse Potential (ASTM D5333)
- Direct Shear (AASHTO T-236)
- Electro-Chemical analyses (AASHTO T-288 for determining soil resistivity, T-289 for determining soil pH, T-290 for determining water-soluble sulfate in soil, T-291 for determining water-soluble chloride in soil)

Individual laboratory test results can be found in Appendix C of this report.

Project Description

NDOT in cooperation with the FHWA and Clark County is planning to improve Blue Diamond Highway (SR-160) from Las Vegas Boulevard to Rainbow Boulevard. The site location of the project is shown in Appendix A.

The proposed improvements to State Route (SR) 160 consists of realigning the roadway from Las Vegas Boulevard to Industrial Road and widening the existing roadway to six travel lanes (three in each direction) along the present alignment from Industrial Road to Rainbow Boulevard. The proposed improvement includes constructing a new interchange at I-15, an eastbound SR160 to northbound I-15 fly-over ramp, and construction of a grade separation at the Union Pacific Railroad Crossing.

The proposed improvements to I-15 are to construct a Collector Distributor Road parallel to I-15 from approximately one-half mile south of the new I-15/Blue Diamond Road structure and north to the I-215 interchange. In addition, improvements will include the removal of the existing Warm Springs structure and the construction of a new grade separation at the same location to allow for additional lane widths needed for the Collector Distributor Roads.

The purpose of this project is to:

- * Provide sufficient roadway capacity to accommodate the current traffic volume by improving roadway geometric.
- Provide sufficient roadway capacity to accommodate anticipated volume increase over the next twenty years by improving roadway geometric.
- * Provide for alternative transportation modes (bicycles and pedestrians).
- * Create a logical and efficient connection to the regional roadway network.

Presently, Arden Interchange (I-675) located approximately 140 meters (460 feet) to the north of the proposed structure conveys the traffic between SR-160 and I-15.

This report addresses the geotechnical issues related only to the proposed SR-160/I-15 interchange. The Union Pacific Railroad Crossing and Warm Springs geotechnical issues will be addressed in separate reports.

Site Description

The subject site is located in Section 17, T. 22 S., R.61 E., M.D.B. & M. The approximate elevation of the original ground along the proposed alignment is 686 meters (2250 feet) above Mean Sea Level (MSL). The region consists of a gentle gradient (less than 5%) dipping towards the East.

II. DISCUSSION

Local Geology

The primary geologic reference for this area is the geologic map prepared by Jonathan C. Matti and Fred W. Bachhuber, 1985 of Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology¹. According to this map, a Quaternary age formation of intermittently alluvium deposits underlies the site. Carbonate clasts (limestone) are the predominant rock type.

Local Faults

Geological mapping of the site shows no mapped faults within the Quaternary aged alluvial deposit at the proposed site. There are several mapped faults located within three kilometers (two miles) northeast and northwest of the site.

Ground Motion

The estimation of the bedrock acceleration generated by earthquake at the site is based on NEHRP Map that was prepared by the U.S. Geological Survey, 1988. This is the map of Horizontal Acceleration (expressed as percent of gravity) in Rock with 90 percent probability of not being exceeded in 50 years. The site is located in an area defined by the NEHRP Map as having a horizontal acceleration coefficient in rock of 0.075g. However, it is NDOT policy to use a horizontal acceleration coefficient of 0.15g in this region.

Subsurface Conditions Encountered

The following section presents a generalized description of the soil types encountered during our field investigation. The boring logs should be reviewed for more detail description.

During the field investigation, relatively uniform conditions were encountered along the alignment such as:

At the center pier location, the first 2.5 meters (8 feet) of soil is loose to medium dense silty sand with occasional gravel. The soil below this layer is very dense silty sand and very hard clayey sand with gravel and moderate cementation.

At the east abutment, the top 1 meter (3 feet) of soil is loose to medium dense silty sand. The soil below this layer is dense to very dense silty sand and clayey sand with gravel and moderate cementation.

At the west abutment, the first 2.0 meters (6 ft) of soil is loose to medium dense silty sand. The soil below this layer is dense to very dense silty sand and clayey sand with gravel and moderate cementation.

Along the proposed I-15 Southbound On-ramp (southwest of the proposed structure) and I-15 Northbound Off-ramp (southeast corner of the proposed structure) locations, the upper 1 meter (3 ft.) of soil is loose to medium dense silty sand. The soil below this layer is dense to very dense silty sand and clayey sand with gravel and moderate cementation.

The presence of moderate cementation in the soil is indicative of water-soluble cementing material such as calcium carbonate, which was detected from its intense reaction with dilute hydrochloric acid (HCL). Calcium carbonate deposition is the result of a drop in the groundwater table in that region within the last few decades. The near surface soil layers [upper 3 meters (10 feet)] were identified as moderately hydro-collapsible and have a potential to undergo a decrease in its volume of up to 2% upon increase in its moisture content. The soils moisture content was low throughout the depths explored.

Groundwater

Groundwater was not encountered in any of the exploratory boreholes made on the site. The Las Vegas SW Quadrangle Ground Water Map² shows that the depth to the regional groundwater during March of 1979 was deeper than 150 feet below the ground surface. Therefore, groundwater should have no adverse effect on design, construction, and performance of the proposed structures.

Soil Corrosive Potential

Electro-Chemical analyses were performed on the subsurface soil samples to determine the concentration of corrosive chloride and sulfate salts. Soil pH values that represent the hydrogen concentration in the soil (referred to as the intensity factor), and soil resistivity which is an indirect measurement of the soluble salt content in the soil, were also measured. Results of these analyses are provided in Appendix C.

III. EVALUATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Spread Footing Foundation

Based on the results of field investigation and laboratory testing, the site is suitable for construction of the proposed interchange and roadway ramps. Spread footing foundation (continuous or rectangular shape) may be used to support the proposed bridge pier(s) and abutments. The bridge pier(s) should be placed a minimum of 2.0 meters (6.5 feet) below the existing ground to reduce the collapse potential of the soil. The abutment footings can be placed below the existing ground, similar to the pier footing(s), or within the compacted embankment fill. The retaining walls for the proposed on-ramp and off-ramp may be supported on spread footings if the footings are placed a minimum of one meter (3 feet) below the existing ground.

Allowable Static Bearing Capacity of Spread Footings

The following table provides estimates of the static bearing capacities. These capacities are for uniform vertical pressures or a vertical point loads applied to the center of the footings. These capacities include factors of safety of 3.0.

Footing Location	Minimum Footing Width m (ft)	Allowable Soil Bearing Capacity kPa (tons / sq. ft)		Minimum Embedment Depth m (ft)
Center Pier	1.5 (5)	300 (3)		2 (6.5)
West Abutments	2.5 (8)	200 (2) footing placed in embankment	300 (3) footing placed in native soil	2 (6.5)
East Abutments	2.5 (8)	200 (2) footing placed in embankment	300 (3) footing placed in native soil	2 (6.5)

Conventional earth retaining walls bearing on undisturbed native soil can be designed for a maximum allowable bearing capacity of 200 kilo-Pascals [200 kPa (2 tons/ft²)].

Settlement Under Static Loading

An estimated total settlement of less than 25 millimeters (1 inch), and a differential settlement of less than 13 millimeters (0.5 inches) is expected by applying the above allowable soil pressures at the specified depths. Most of the expected settlement will take place during construction.

Sliding Resistance of Footings

In calculating the sliding resistance of the pier footing, the unit adhesion and the frictional resistance of the base of the footing to sliding is multiplied by the area of the base to determine the sliding resistance. Since the footings are formed with cast-in-place concrete on cohesionless soil, the sliding resistance is purely frictional. It is recommended that the interface friction coefficients (tan- δ) be calculated by reducing the soil internal friction angles by 30% such as:

Interface friction coefficient of native soil and pier footing $(\tan \delta) = (1-0.3)(\tan 35^\circ) = 0.5$

Interface friction coefficient of embankment soil and abutment footing $(\tan \delta) = (1-0.3)(\tan 32^\circ) = 0.4$.

Passive static resistant force in front of the footing (P_P) should be neglected in the top two feet unless confined by concrete slab-on-grade or pavement.

Failure by sliding shall be considered by comparing the lateral force on the footing (P) to the maximum resisting force (P_{max}):

 $P_{max} = (P_v + W) \tan \delta + P_P (L)$ $P_v =$ net applied static vertical force on the footing Static passive earth pressure coefficient (K_P) = 6.87 W = weight of the footing Passive static resistant force (P_P) = 1/2 γ D² K_P $P_P = (1/2)(19 \text{ kN/m}^3) (D^2) (6.87) = 65 D^2, \text{ kN/m}$

D = embedment depth of the footing

L = length of the footing perpendicular to the direction of sliding.

The location of P_p is assumed to be at 1/3D above the base of the footing.

The maximum passive resisting force (P_{max}) should be reduced by a factor of 1.5 (factor of safety = 1.5), (AASHTO 4.4.7.1.1.3-7) in order to limit the movements.

Seismic Bearing Capacity of Spread Footings

In addition to the static vertical load, it is necessary to consider lateral and overturning moment from the design level earthquake.

After selecting the footing dimensions and performing the seismic response computations to estimate the peak dynamic vertical and horizontal loads on top of the footings by the structural engineer, then the seismic bearing capacities of the footings can be analyzed through the "pseudo-static analysis" method. The allowable static soil bearing pressure, as provided in the above table, can also be increased by 1/3 for seismic loading.

Seismic Sliding Resistance of Footings

The sliding stability of the pier footing(s) subject to seismic loading requires consideration of the sliding resistance on the base of the footing and seismic active and passive pressure, using "pseudo-static analysis" method. Sliding resistance may be based upon the dead load on the footing, as this is the average normal load acting on the footing during an earthquake:

 $P_{\text{max}} = [(P_v + W) \tan \delta + P_{PE}(L)] - [(0.5 \text{ K}_h W) + (P_{AE} L)]$

 $K_h W$ = the inertia force on the footing K_h = is the coefficient of horizontal acceleration addressed on page 14

 $P_{PE} = 1/2 \gamma D^2 K_{PE}$ $K_{PE} = 5.68$ $\gamma = \text{soil unit weight} = 19 \text{ kN/m}^3 (121 \text{ pcf}).$

 P_{AE} = resultant active earth pressure on the wall due to the combined static and earthquake pressures $(P_{AE}) = 1/2 \gamma D^2 K_{AE}$ K_{AE} = Seismic Active Pressure Coefficient = 0.39.

The location of P_{PE} and P_{AE} act at the mid-height of the footing.

Factor of safety of 1.1 is recommended be applied to the maximum resisting force (P_{max}).

Seismic sliding resistance of the abutment footings are addressed in the retaining walls section of this report (page 12)

Seismic-Induced Settlement

Seismic-induced settlement of the pier footing on native soils will be negligible due to soil high blow counts (N-values) of greater than 50 (indicative of very dense soil) below the recommended footing depth.

Seismic-induced settlement of the abutment footings on the embankment soils is estimated to be less than 6 millimeters (0.25 inches).

ABUTMENTS AND RETAINING WALLS

(1) ABUTMENT AND CANTILEVER RETAINING WALLS

This section provides recommendations for estimating static and seismic earth pressures on the bridge abutment and cantilever retaining walls:

STATIC EARTH PRESSURE

(A) Free Standing Abutment (seat-type) and Cantilever Retaining Walls

Basic design parameters are:

- * Wall Height = H
- * Footing Width = B
- * Embedment Depth = D
- * Backfill Soil Moist Unit Weight (γ) = 20.41 kN/m³ (130 pcf)
- * Angle of Internal Friction of Structural Backfill = 34 degrees
- * Interface friction angle between soil and concrete = 1/2 (34) = 17 degrees
- * Live surcharge due to traffic on abutment and retaining wall = 12 kN/m^2 (250 psf)
- * Static active earth pressure coefficient $(K_A) = 0.26$, computed by using Coulomb procedure
- * Static active earth resultant force (P_A) on the wall is determined by Coulomb procedure $P_A = 1/2 \gamma H^2 K_A$
- * The location of this force (P_A) is assumed to be at 1/3H above the base of the wall (H is the total height of the wall)
- * The resistance due to passive earth pressure (P_P) in front of the wall shall be neglected, unless the wall extends well below the depth of frost penetration (more than 2 feet). $P_P= 1/2 \gamma D^2 K_P$, where static passive earth pressure coefficient (K_P) = 6.87

* A minimum factor of safety of 1.5 must be applied to the ultimate resistance of the soil (P_P) in order to limit movements (AASHTO 4.4.7.1.1.3-7)

(B) Monolithic Abutment Walls (integral or end-diaphragm abutments)

This type of abutment is cast monolithically with the superstructure and may be directly supported on spread footings.

In monolithic abutments, the maximum pressure distribution behind the wall be taken as the static pressure distribution arising from gravity loads (at-rest earth pressure distribution, F_0):

 $\mathbf{F}_0 = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{K}_0 \mathbf{\gamma} \mathbf{H}^2$ K₀ (at-rest coefficient) = 1- sin $\Phi = 0.44$

SEISMIC EARTH PRESSURE

General Basic Design Parameters are:

- * Acceleration Coefficient (A) = 0.15g (NDOT policy for Las Vegas areas)
- * Soil Profile = Type II (AASHTO Seismic Design-3.5)
- * Site Coefficient (S) = 1.2 (AASHTO Seismic Design-3.5.1)
- * Response Modification Factor (R) = Variable (AASHTO Seismic Design- Table 3.7)
- * Vertical acceleration coefficient = 0 [AASHTO 6.4.3(A)]
- * Poisson's ratio for granular backfill material (μ) = 0.35
- * Young Modulus for granular backfill material (E_s):

 $E_s = [(20) \text{ (N-value)}, \text{ ksf}, \text{ N}_{ave.} = 20 \text{ (estimated)}] = 19166 \text{ kPa} (\approx 2777 \text{ psi})$

* Shear Modulus for granular backfill material (G) = $E_s/2(1 + \mu) = 7100$ kPa (≈ 1028 psi)

(A) Free-Standing Abutment (seat-type) and Cantilever Retaining Walls

For free-standing abutments or retaining walls which may displace horizontally without significant restraint, the pseudo-static Mononobe-Okabe (M-O) method of analysis is recommended for computing lateral active soil pressure during seismic loading. A seismic coefficient equal to one-half the acceleration coefficient ($K_h = 0.5 \text{ A}$) is recommended [AASHTO 6.4.3(A)]. The effect of vertical acceleration may be omitted. The walls should be proportioned to slide rather than tilt, and provisions should be made to accommodate small seismically induced horizontal abutment displacements when minimal damage is desired. Wall displacements of up to 254A (mm) may be expected. Geotechnical design parameters for these types of walls are:

- * Seismic Active Pressure Coefficient, $K_{AE} = 0.39$
- * The resultant active earth pressure on the wall due to the combined static and earthquake pressures (P_{AE}) is: $P_{AE} = 1/2 \gamma H^2 K_{AE}$
- * The location of the resultant active earth pressure (P_{AE}) is assumed to be at 0.5H above the bottom of the wall
- * If the abutment wall is being pushed into the backfill, the passive force (P_{PE}) = 1/2 γ H² K_{PE}, K_{PE} = 5.68

(B) Monolithic Abutment Walls

For monolithic abutments where the abutment forms an integral part of the bridge superstructure, the maximum earth pressure acting on the abutment may be assumed to be equal to the maximum longitudinal earthquake force transferred from the superstructure to the abutment. To minimize abutment damage, the abutment should be designed to resist the passive pressure capable of being mobilized by the abutment backfill, which should be greater than the maximum estimated longitudinal earthquake force transferred to the abutment. It may be assumed that the

lateral active earth pressure during seismic loading is less than the superstructure earthquake load (AASHTO 6.4.3(B)).

In monolithic abutments, the total earth pressure on the abutment during an earthquake (**F**) is a sum of the static pressure distribution arising from gravity loads, at-rest earth pressure distribution, (**F**₀) and the pressure arising from forces of lateral translation (**F**₁) and rotation (**F**₂) of the wall:

$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{F}_0 + \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2 < \mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{PE}}$

 P_{PE} = ultimate abutment soil resistance if the abutment wall is being pushed into the backfill (provision must be made for adequate passive resistance to avoid excessive relative displacements).

When longitudinal seismic forces are resisted by piers or columns, it is necessary to estimate abutment stiffness in the longitudinal direction in order to compute the proportion of earthquake load transferred to the abutment. If the stiffness of the monolithic abutment walls is incorporated into a dynamic model of a bridge system, the following equations (Lam and Martin - elasticity theory) can be used to calculate stiffness coefficient for the abutment walls. The abutment wall stiffness is intended for bridge analysis when the wall is displaced into the backfill by longitudinal inertia loading from the superstructure:

 $K_s = 0.425 E_s B$ = translational stiffness (Mpa .m)

 $K_{\theta} = 0.072 E_s B H^2$ = rotational stiffness (Mpa .m³)

The location of the resultant force due to abutment wall translation may be applied at 0.6H from the base of the wall while the resultant force from wall rotation acts at approximately 0.37H from the base of the wall.

In making estimates of monolithic abutment stiffness and associated longitudinal displacements during transfer of peak earthquake forces from the structure, it is recommended that abutments be proportioned to restrict displacements to 90 millimeters (0.3 ft.) or less in order to minimize damage.

The following two methods (FHWA Method and CALTRANS Method) are recommended to calculate the total earth pressure (F) on a monolithic abutment wall during an earthquake:

(1) FHWA (Elasticity) Method

F (total earth pressure) = $\mathbf{F}_0 + \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2 < \mathbf{P}_{PE}$ (ultimate abutment soil resistance)

$$F_0 = \frac{1}{2} K_0 \gamma H^2$$

 $K_0 = 1 - \sin \Phi = 0.44$

 F_1 (Resultant forces due to wall translation) = 0.425 E_s δ_1 , applied at 0.37 H

 F_2 (Resultant forces due to wall rotation) = 0.12 E_s δ_2 , applied at 0.6 H

 δ_1 = displacement due to lateral translation of the wall

 δ_2 = displacement due to rotational displacement of the wall = θ H, where θ is rotational angle

 δ_1 and δ_2 are determined by seismic analysis.

 P_{PE} = total passive resistance capacity of the abutment backfill is only mobilized if the abutment wall is being pushed into the backfill = 1/2 γ H² K_{PE}, and K_{PE} = 5.68

(2) CALTRANS (Empirical) Method

F (total earth pressure) = $\mathbf{F}_0 + \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2 < \mathbf{P}_{PE}$ = ultimate abutment soil resistance

 $P_{PE} < (7.7 \text{ ksf}) (H) (B)$

 F_1 = longitudinal force = (200 k/in) x (abutment width)

 F_2 = transverse force = (200 k/in) x (abutment wall height)

P_{PE} is the maximum soil resistance capacity and needs to be less than (7.7 ksf) (H) (B).

Dimensions and External Stability

(Abutments and Cantilever Retaining Walls)

Walls shall be dimensioned to ensure stability against possible failure modes, such as bearing capacity failure, sliding failure, overturning failure, and overall stability failure, by satisfying the following minimum factors of safety (FS) criteria (AASHTO 5.5.5 and 5.2.2.3):

	FACTORS OF SAFETY (FS)	
	AGAINST FAILURE	
	Under Static Loads	Under Static + Seismic Loads
Bearing Capacity	FS = 3.0	FS = 2.25
Sliding	FS = 1.5	FS = 1.1
Overturning	FS = 2.0	FS = 1.5
Overall Stability	FS = 1.3	FS = 1.1
(abutments supported	(FS = 1.5)	
on a slope)		

Additional sliding stability can be derived from the use of a key beneath the retaining wall base. If the base key is chosen, an embedment depth of 0.3 meters (1 ft.) into the native soil and a width of 0.6 meters (2 ft.) are recommended.

(2) MECHANICALLY STABILIZED EARTH (MSE) WALLS

If retaining walls are chosen for the construction of the proposed I-15 Southbound On-ramp (southwest of the proposed structure) and I-15 Northbound Off-ramp (southeast corner of the proposed structure), mechanically stabilized earth (MSE) walls with metallic reinforcement strips are recommended.

Back-To-Back MSE walls with double-faced walls are considered for the above locations. These walls are actually two separate walls with parallel facings. In this case, the overall base width is large enough so that each wall behaves and can be designed independently.

Sizing for External Stability

Based on the results of preliminary analysis (AASHTO 5.8.2 and 5.8.9.1), the minimum reinforcement length of 0.80 times the wall height is sufficient for each wall up to 6 meters (20 feet) in height. MSE walls can be designed to resist sliding, using a coefficient of friction of 0.60. MSE walls bearing on undisturbed native soil can be designed for a maximum allowable bearing capacity of 200 kilo-Pascals [200 kPa (2 tons/ft²)].

Internal Stability

Internal stability computation including maximum reinforcement loads should be calculated using the Simplified Coherent Gravity method (AASHTO 5.8.4.).

Embedment Depth

The minimum embedment depths for walls from adjoining finish grade to top of the leveling pads should not be less than 0.91 meters (3.0 feet).

SEISMIC RESPONSE SPECTRA

Graphs of Uniform Building Code (UBC) Design Response Spectra using UBC seismic zone map, USGS Spectral Accelerations using USGS local seismic hazard map, and AASHTO Design Response Spectra for soil profile Type II are provided on the following page. The AASHTO Response Spectrum is recommended for the design.

Backfill and Compaction Requirements for Walls

Granular backfill gradations and compaction requirements should conform to Section 207 of the NDOT Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction. Compaction of backfill material within the vicinity of the wall by heavy equipment may result in development of lateral pressures greater than the design condition. Therefore, no heavy static or vibratory compaction equipment is allowed within a distance of one-half of the wall height behind the wall during construction, unless the walls are designed structurally for this additional lateral loading.

Drainage System

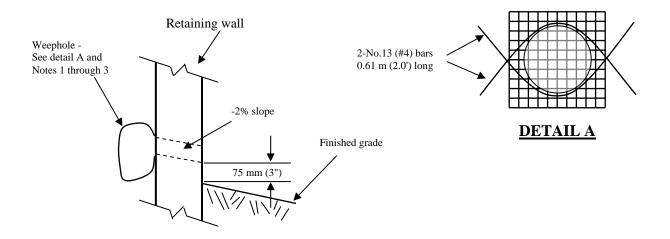
Providing drainage systems for cantilever retaining walls and abutment walls to prevent the accumulation of surface runoff behind the walls, and subsequent hydrostatic pressure buildup is recommended.

Drainage can be accomplished by providing weepholes behind the walls with outlets at or near the base of the walls. Weepholes should be at least 4 inches in diameter and shall be placed through the walls at a maximum horizontal spacing of 4.6 meter (15 ft.). Place a minimum of 0.06 cubic meters (2 cubic feet) of free-draining material (such as NDOT drain backfill type 1 or type 2) encapsulated in geotextile at each weep hole (AASHTO 7.5.2).

An impervious surface layer should cover the backfill and a gutter should be provided for collecting runoff at the top of the wall.

Weephole details are shown on the following page:

WEEPHOLE DETAIL



NOTES:

- 1. 100 mm (4") diameter drains with horizontal and vertical spacing of 4.5 m (15') \pm center to center. The bottom row must be located 75 mm (3") above finished grade.
- 2. 150 mm (6") square aluminum or galvanized steel wire mesh hardware cloth with a minimum wire diameter of 0.75 mm (0.03").
- 3. 0.06m³ (2 ft³) of NDOT Type 1 or 2 Drain Backfill, encapsulated in a geotextile , securely tied. The geotextile must:
 - a) have an AOS no greater than U.S. Sieve No. 40
 - b) have a permittivity of at least 0.5 sec^{-1}

Earthwork

Where borrow material is necessary, materials should meet the requirements listed for "Select Borrow" in section 203 of NDOT Standard Specifications, which requires a minimum R-value of 45 and 100% of the material passing the 75 millimeter (3 inches) sieve size.

Stability Analysis of Bridge Approach Embankments

The stability analyses of the sloped highway embankments were performed using the XSTABLTM computer program, employing Limit Equilibrium-Modified Bishop's Method. The analysis performs a search procedure to locate the critical failure surface. A minimum factor of safety of 1.5 is used as acceptable criteria for the static load case. A minimum factor of safety of 1.13 (75% of the factor of safety under static condition) is used as acceptable criteria for the seismic case. The horizontal acceleration used in the seismic stability analyses was based on 50% of the peak ground acceleration (0.15g) or 0.075g. A traffic surcharge load of 12 kPa (250 psf) was included in each analysis. The results of these analyses are provided in Appendix D of this report.

The analyses indicate that the factors of safety, under both static and seismic loading condition, for the proposed bridge approach embankments (estimated maximum height of 10 meters) constructed on 1:2 (vertical: horizontal) exceed the minimum specified. The estimated factors of safety are provided in the following table:

Soil	Soil	Static	Static + Seismic
Туре	Properties	Loading	Loading
Embankment	$\gamma = 18.8 \text{ kN/m}^3$	1.85	1.57
Soil	= 120 pcf		
	$\phi = 34^{\circ}$		
	C = 5 kPa		
	= (105 psf)		
Native Soil	$\gamma = 18.8 \text{ kN/m}^3$		
	= (120 pcf)		
	$\phi = 39^{\circ}$		
	C = 38 kPa		
	= (800 psf)		

FACTORS OF SAFETY AGAINST SLOPE FAILURE

Bridge Approach Embankment Settlement

The approach embankment settlement consists of two components, internal settlement within the embankment fill and the external settlement of the native soil under the embankment fill. Internal settlement of the embankment fill is a controlled settlement issue and can be considered negligible since the embankment fill will be compacted properly. The external settlements of the native soils were estimated based on using an embankment height of 10 meters (30 feet) with end and side slopes constructed on 1:2 (vertical: horizontal). The procedure for approach embankment pressure distribution is based on FHWA (Publication No. FHWA HI-88-009, 993). Since the groundwater was not encountered within the zone of influence of the loading, the

native soils are anticipated to be almost immediate, occurring mostly during the construction of the approach abutments.

The following table presents the total estimated settlements at the top of the slope (center line of the embankment), at the mid-height of the slope, and at the toe of the slope:

Embankment Location	Estimated Total settlement (mm)
Top of the End-Slope	50 (2 inches)
Mid-height of the End –Slope	30 (1.2 inches)
Toe of the End-Slope	20 (0.8 inches)

IV. CONSTRUCTION CONCERNS

Excavation Difficulties

The soils encountered at the site exhibit moderate to strong cementation in some areas, however, they were easily drilled during the subsurface investigation.

Temporary construction excavations in the cemented material may stand at steep angles. However, un-shored construction excavations in the moderately cemented soils should be sloped not steeper than 1:1 (vertical: horizontal). Some raveling of the cut slopes should be expected. Moisture conditioning of the cut slopes will reduce raveling.

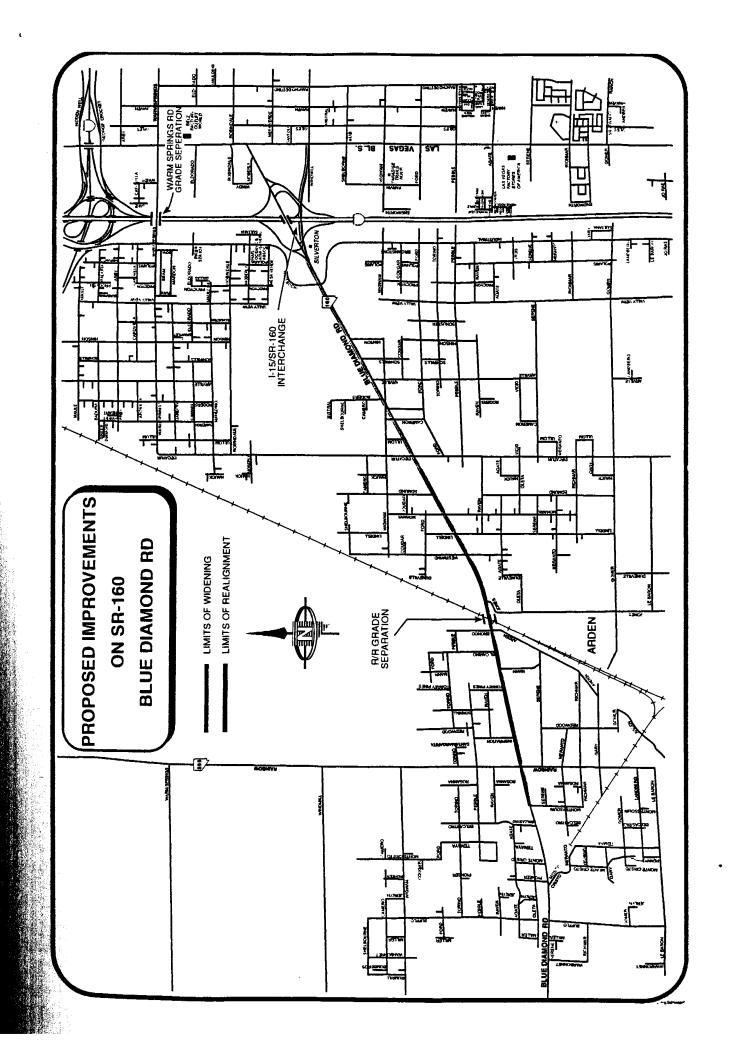
All excavations should be complied with OSHA requirements.

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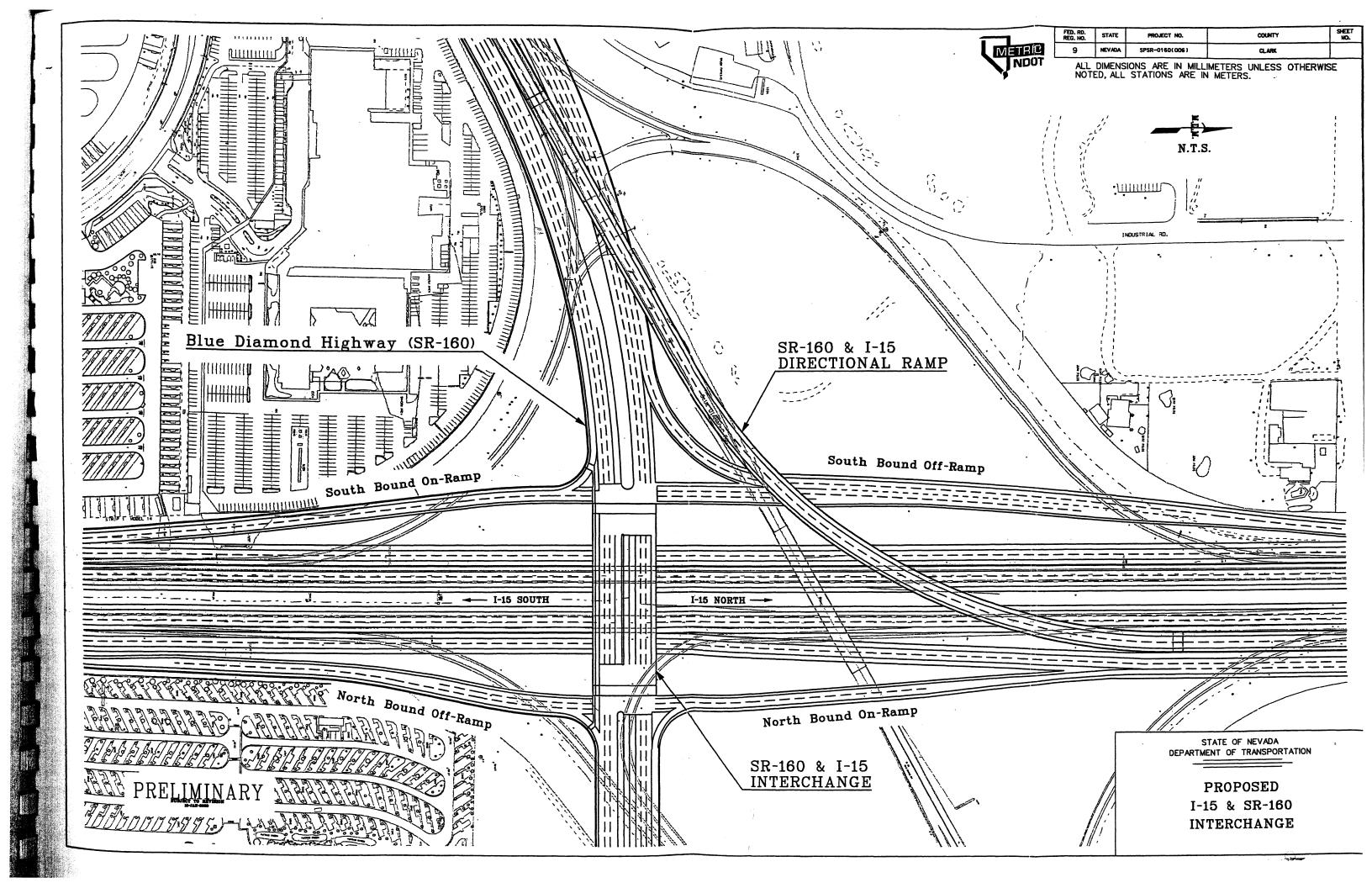
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APPENDIX A

- * BRIDGE GENERAL VICINITY MAP
- * **BRIDGE** PROFILE
- * **REGIONAL GEOLOGY MAP**



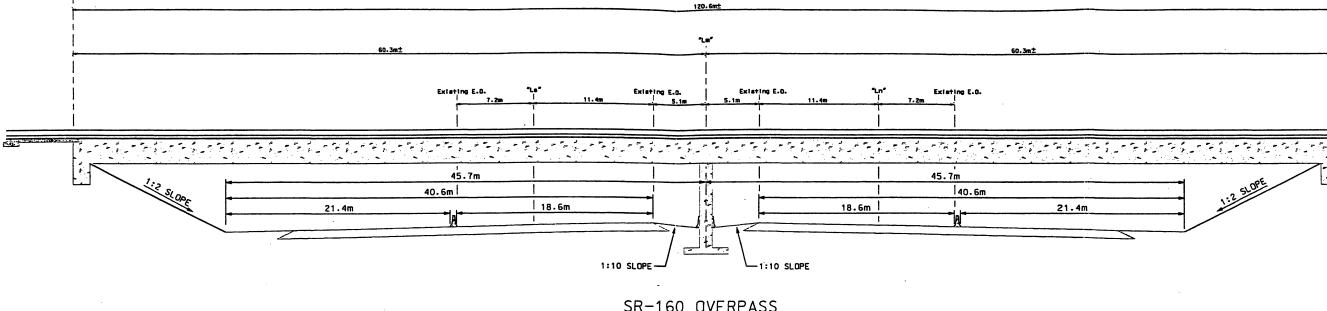
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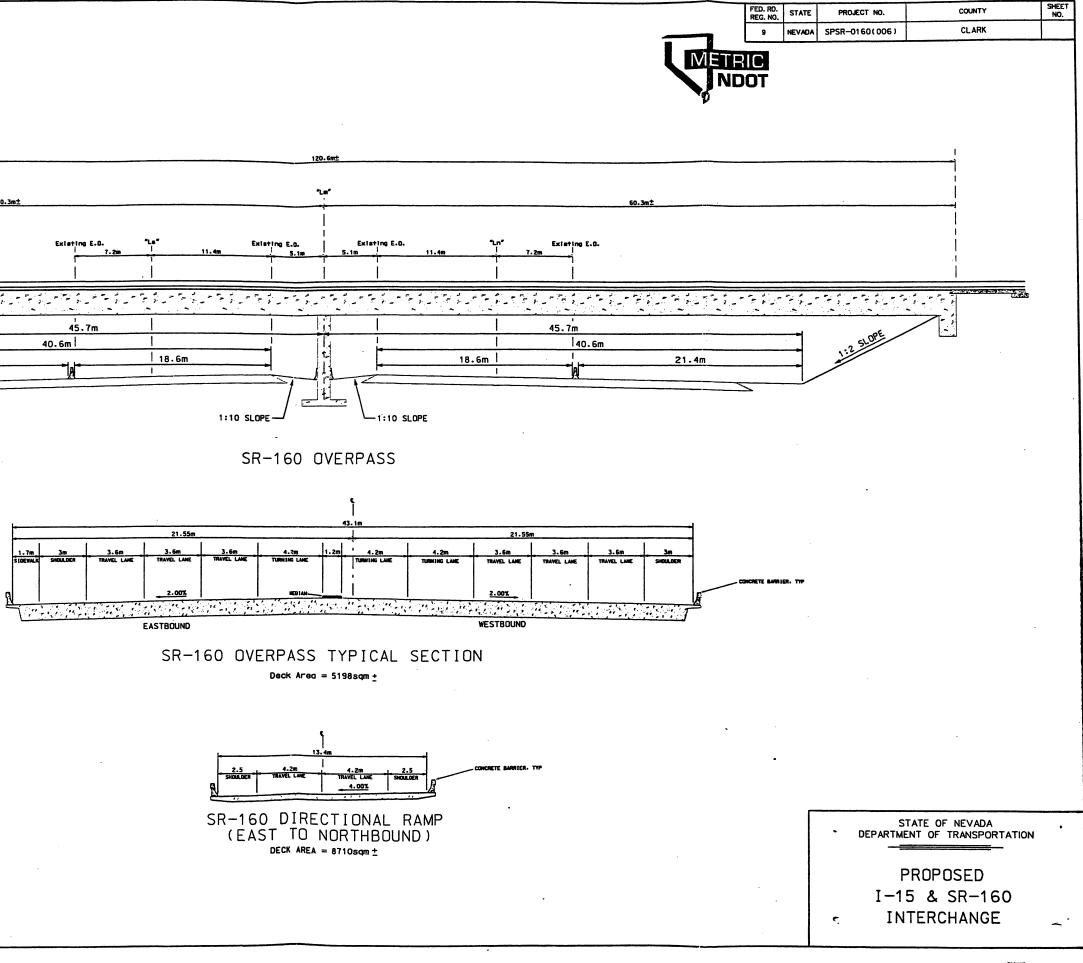


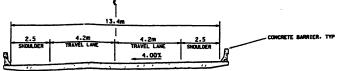
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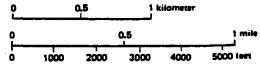
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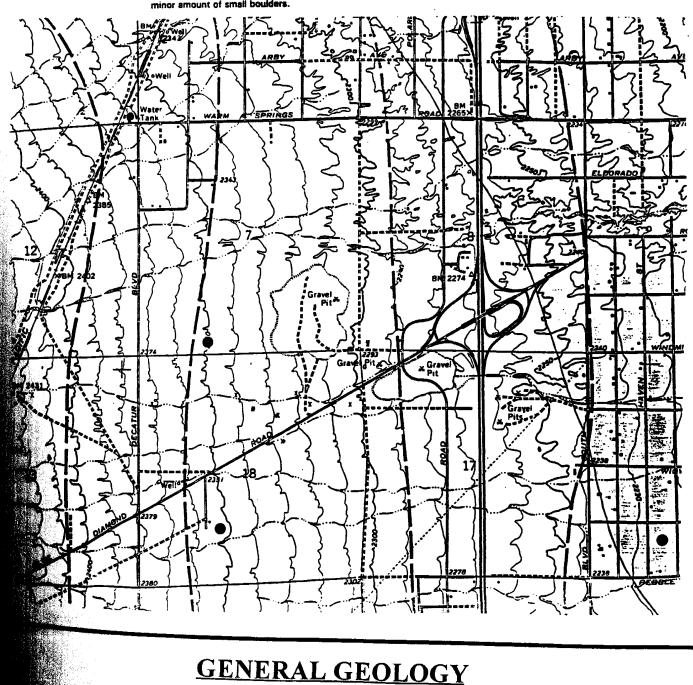
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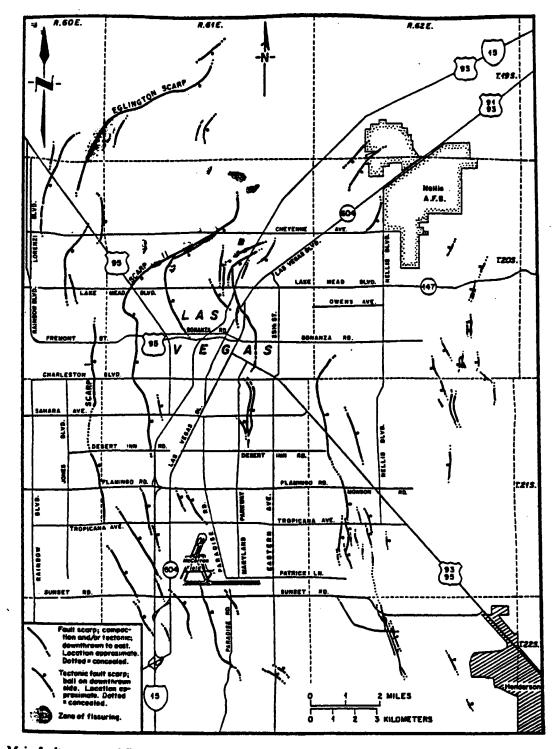
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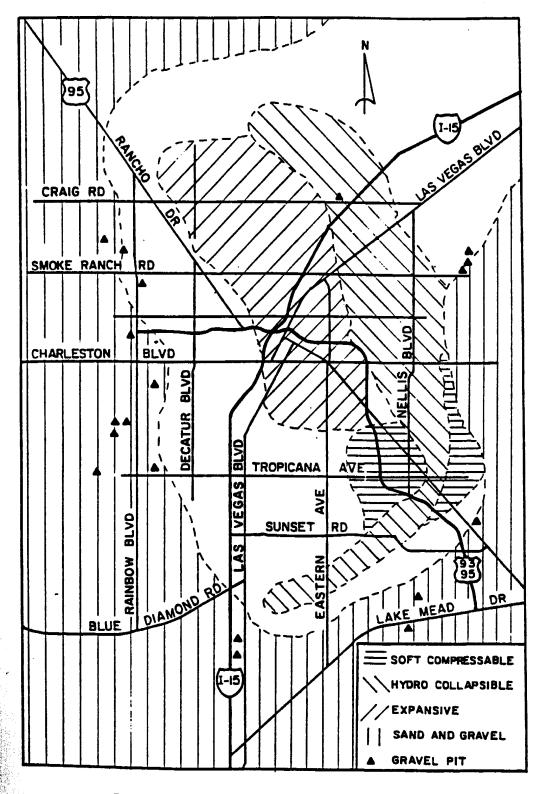






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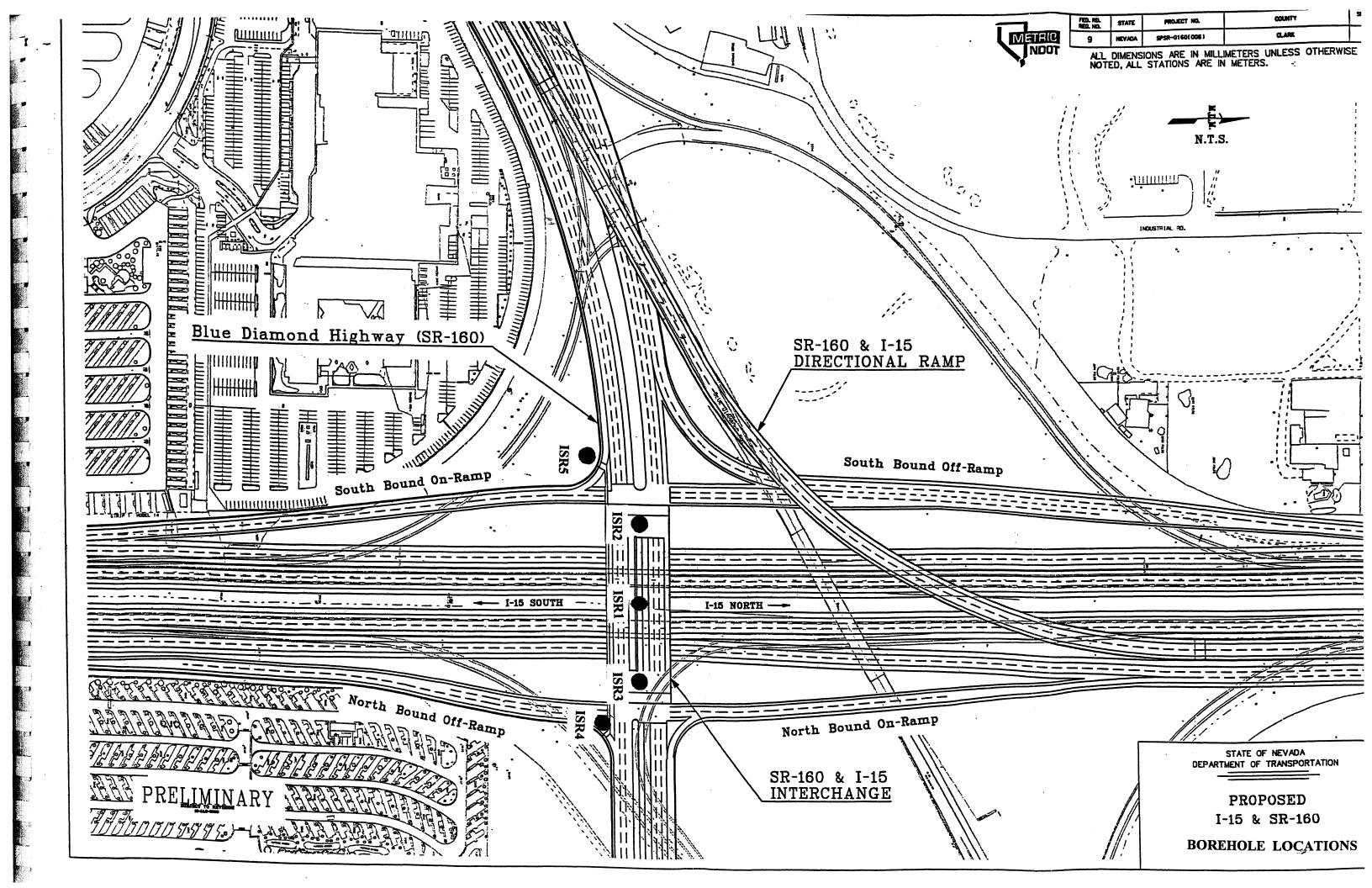
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Soil types and gravel pits of the Las Vegas Valley

APPENDIX B

- *** BOREHOLE LOCATIONS**
- * **KEY TO BORING LOGS**
- * **BORING LOGS**



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Job Description I-15 @ SR 160 Interchange - Las Vegas

Boring No.

Elevation (ft) 691.5

Station "B" 110+60 (center of bridge)

	SAMPLE	SAMP-	Ν			DRY	%					STR	ENGTH T	EST		
SAMPLE	DEPTH	LER	BLOWS	SOIL	W%	UW	PASS	LL	PL	PI	TEST	Φ	С	Φ	С	COMMENTS
NO.	(ft)	TYPE	per ft.	GROUP		pcf	#200	%	%	%	TYPE	deg.	psi	deg.	psi	
												Pe	eak	Res	idual	
А	0.61 -	SPT	14	SC-SM	14.5		39.7	20	14	6						
A1	- 1.07	SPT	14	SM			27.0									
В	1.07 - 1.52	SPT	22	SM	11.2		24.3									
С	1.52 - 1.98	SPT	30	SM	9.5		24.9									
D	1.98 - 2.44	SPT	25	SM	10.9		32.8	17	NP	NP						
E	2.44 - 2.90	CMS	R	GW	1.1		3.2									
F	3.05 - 3.51	SPT	71	SP-SM	7.7	17.7	10.1				DS	35.6	0.369			DS
G	3.51 - 3.96	SPT	R		9.1											Ch
н	3.96 - 4.42	SPT	R	SM	9.2		12.3									
Ι	4.42 - 4.88	SPT	R	SC-SM	6.3		26.5	57	29	28						Ch
J	4.88 - 5.33	SPT	R	SM	12.0	18.5	16.3				DS	39.1	0.244			DS

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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

X = X-Ray Defraction

HCpot = Hydro-Collapse Potential

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Boring No.

Elevation (ft) 691.5

Station "B" 110+60 (center of bridge)

	SAMPLE	SAMP-	Ν			DRY	%					STR	ENGTH T	EST		
SAMPLE	DEPTH	LER	BLOWS	SOIL	W%	UW	PASS	LL	PL	ΡI	TEST	Φ	С	Φ	С	COMMENTS
NO.	(ft)	TYPE	per ft.	GROUP		pcf	#200	%	%	%	TYPE	deg.	psi	deg.	psi	
												Pe	ak	Res	idual	
К	7.01 - 7.16	SPT	R	SM	19.2		33.4									
L	8.53 - 8.99	SPT			18.5											
М	10.06 - 10.52	SPT	74		15.2											Ch
Ν	11.58 - 12.04	SPT	112	SC	16.6		28.5	65	62	33						
0	13.11 - 13.56	SPT	56	SC	13.3		47.2	34	19	15						
Р	14.63 - 14.78	CMS	R		15.1	18.6										
Q	16.15 - 16.46	SPT			20.0			67	30	37						
R	17.68 - 17.83	SPT	R		12.5											Ch
S	19.20 - 19.29	SPT	R	SM	19.4		43.5									
Т	20.73 - 20.82	SPT	R													
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Job Description I-15 @ SR 160 Interchange - Las Vegas

Boring No.

Elevation (ft) 691.5 Station "B" 110+60 (center of bridge)

	SAMPLE	SAMP-	Ν			DRY	%					STR	ENGTH T	EST		
SAMPLE	DEPTH	LER	BLOWS	SOIL	W%	UW	PASS	LL	PL	PI	TEST	Φ	С	Φ	С	COMMENTS
NO.	(ft)	TYPE	per ft.	GROUP		pcf	#200	%	%	%	TYPE	deg.	psi	deg.	psi	
												Pe	ak	Res	idual	
V	25.60 - 25.76	SPT	79	CL	16.0		57.2	38	18	20						
W	26.82 - 27.28	SPT	83	SC	17.3		49.2	49.2	20	12						

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Job Description I-15 @ SR 160 Interchange - Las Vegas

Boring No.

Elevation (ft) 691.4

Station West Abutment, "B" 110+60, 60m Lt.

	SAMPLE	SAMP-	N			DRY	%					STR	ENGTH T	EST		
SAMPLE	DEPTH	LER	BLOWS	SOIL	W%	UW	PASS	LL	PL	PI	TEST	Φ	С	Φ	С	COMMENTS
NO.	(ft)	TYPE	per ft.	GROUP		pcf	#200	%	%	%	TYPE	deg.	psi	deg.	psi	
												Pe	ak	Res	idual	
А	0.91 - 1.37	SPT	10													Ch
В	1.37 - 1.83	SPT	17	SM			43.4	18	15	3						
С	1.83 - 2.29	SPT	19	SC			42.2	22	12	10						
D	2.29 - 2.74	SPT	26													G=2.634
Е	2.74 - 3.20	SPT	106	GM			12.2									
F1	3.20 - 3.50	SPT	50/.15M	SP-SM			11.1									
F2	3.50 - 3.66	SPT	25/.15M													Ch
G	3.96 - 4.42	SPT	73	SC-SM			41.9	23	17	6						
н	4.42 - 4.88	SPT	88	SM			15.6									
I	4.88 - 5.33	SPT	R	SW-SM			8.1									
J	5.33 - 5.79	SPT	111	SC-SM			25.8	22	18	4						

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- O = Organic Content
- D = Dispersive
- RQD = Rock Quality Designation
- X = X-Ray Defraction
- HCpot = Hydro-Collapse Potential

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Job Description I-15 @ SR 160 Interchange - Las Vegas

Boring No.

Elevation (ft) 691.4 Station West Abutment, "B" 110+60, 60m Lt.

	SAMPLE	SAMP-	Ν			DRY	%					STR	ENGTH T	EST		
SAMPLE	DEPTH	LER	BLOWS	SOIL	W%	UW	PASS	LL	PL	PI	TEST	Φ	С	Φ	С	COMMENTS
NO.	(ft)	TYPE	per ft.	GROUP		pcf	#200	%	%	%	TYPE	deg.	psi	deg.	psi	
												Pe	ak	Res	idual	
к	7.01 - 7.47	SPT	200	GM			16.4									
L	8.53 - 9.00	SPT	R													
М	10.06 - 10.51	SPT	135	GM			22.2	67	33	34						
Ν	11.58 - 12.04	SPT	122	SM			18.4									
0	13.10 - 13.56	SPT	R													
Р	14.63 - 15.09	SPT	R	SM			27.8									
Q	16.15 - 16.61	SPT	R													
R	17.68 - 18.13	SPT	R													
S	19.20 - 19.70	SPT	R	SM			23.5	74	13	61						
Т	20.73 - 20.80	SPT	R													
U	22.25 - 22.55	SPT	R	CL			77.4	38	18	20						
V	23.77 - 24.33	SPT	R	SC-SM			22.6	24	18	6						

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Job Description I-15 @ SR 160 Interchange - Las Vegas

Boring No.

Elevation (ft) 690.7

Station East Abutment, "B" 110+60, 60m Lt.

	SAMPLE	SAMP-	Ν			DRY	%					STR	ENGTH 1	EST		
SAMPLE	DEPTH	LER	BLOWS	SOIL	W%	UW	PASS	LL	PL	PI	TEST	Φ	С	Φ	С	COMMENTS
NO.	(ft)	TYPE	per ft.	GROUP		pcf	#200	%	%	%	TYPE	deg.	psi	deg.	psi	
												Pe	eak	Res	idual	
А	0.91 - 1.37	SPT	36	SM	10.3		32.3	17	16	1						
В	1.37 - 1.83	SPT	38													Ch, G = 2.667
C1	1.83 - 2.13	SPT		SM			28.9									
C2	2.13 - 2.29	SPT														
D	2.44 - 2.90	SPT	123	SM	8.2		25.0									
Е	2.90 - 3.35	SPT	R	SM	10.3		14.0									
F	3.35 - 3.66	SPT	R	SP	8.8		4.6									
G	3.66 - 4.11	SPT	R													
н	4.57 - 5.03	SPT	R	SM	15.8		35.6									Ch
Ι	5.03 - 5.49	SPT	69	SC	13.6		47.1	25	13	12						Ch
J	5.49 - 5.94	SPT	77	SC	12.7		33.2	24	17	7						

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Job Description I-15 @ SR 160 Interchange - Las Vegas

Boring No.

Elevation (ft) 690.7

Station East Abutment, "B" 110+60, 60m Lt.

	SAMPLE	SAMP-	Ν			DRY	%					STR	ENGTH T	EST		
SAMPLE	DEPTH	LER	BLOWS	SOIL	W%	UW	PASS	LL	PL	PI	TEST	Φ	C	Φ	C	COMMENTS
NO.	(ft)	TYPE	per ft.	GROUP		pcf	#200	%	%	%	TYPE	deg.	psi	deg.	psi	
												PE	ak	Res	idual	
К	7.01 - 7.31	SPT	R													Ch
L	8.53 - 8.99	SPT	105	SC	16.0		29.3	51	26	25						
М	10.05 - 10.52	SPT	58	SM	26.3		46.3	96	43	53						
Ν	11.58 - 12.04	SPT	65	SM	15.5		17.7									
0	13.10 - 13.56	SPT	R	SM	19.6		27.5									
Р	14.63 - 14.94	SPT	R	SM	11.6		12.1									
Q	16.15 - 16.61	SPT		SM	13.5		14.9									Ch
R	17.68 - 18.13	SPT		SM	9.1		14.1									
S	19.20 - 19.66	SPT	188	СН	19.5		55.3	74	13	61						
Т	20.73 - 21.18	SPT	152	SC	13.1		39.8	41	19	22						
U	22.25 - 22.71	SPT	49	CL	16.8		65.2	34	16	18						
V	23.77 - 24.33	SPT	27	CL	16.5		41.7	34	17	17						

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Elevation (ft)

Station S.E. Retaining Wall, "B" 110+30, 100m

	SAMPLE	SAMP-	Ν			DRY	%					STR	ENGTH T	EST		
SAMPLE	DEPTH	LER	BLOWS	SOIL	W%	UW	PASS	LL	PL	PI	TEST	Φ.	C	Φ	C .	COMMENTS
NO.	(ft)	TYPE	per ft.	GROUP		pcf	#200	%	%	%	TYPE	deg.	psi	deg.	psi	
												PE	eak	Res	idual	
A1	0.91 - 1.22	CMS	52	SM	4.0	18.6	34.7									
A2	1.22 - 1.37	CMS		ML	5.4	17.6	57.1									
В	1.37 - 1.83	SPT	47	SC-SM	9.5		34.8	17	13	4						Ch
C1	1.83 - 2.13	CMS	64	CL	7.8	16.5	65.2	24	14	10						
C2	2.13 - 2.29	CMS		SC-SM	3.3		43.3	19	15	4						
D1	2.29 - 2.44	SPT		GP-GM	6.0		6.7									
D2	2.44 - 2.74	SPT	107	SM	7.6		31.8									
Е	2.74 - 3.05	CMS	R	GP-GM	6.6	21.00	7.7									
F	3.05 - 3.35	SPT	R	GW-GM	6.7		7.6									
G	3.96 - 4.42	SPT	166	CL	14.4		54.1	46	24	22						
H1	4.57 - 4.72	SPT		CL	16.5		77.8	43	19	24						

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SAMPLE	DEPTH	LER	BLOWS	SOIL	W%	UW	PASS	LL	PL	PI	TEST	Φ	С	Φ	С	COMMENTS
NO.	(ft)	TYPE	per ft.	GROUP		pcf	#200	%	%	%	TYPE	deg.	psi	deg.	psi	
												Pe	eak	Res	idual	
H2	16.0 - 16.5	SPT	40	40	CL	15.8		73.7	29	15	14					
11	17.0 -	SPT	49	49		12.5										
12	-18.5	SPT				10.4										Ch
J	20.0 - 21.5	SPT	70	70	SC	7.8		42.1	24	15	9					
K1	23.5 - 24.0	CMS			SC	8.7	18.00	48.0	36	21	15					
K2	24.0 - 24.5	CMS	148	148	SC	6.1	17.1	45.9	39	22	17					HC
L	24.5 - 26.0	SPT	127	127		14.9										
M1	28.5 - 29.0	CMS			SC	10.0	17.9	32.9	55	28	27					
M2	29.5 - 30.0	CMS	200	200	SC	10.5	17.5	36.6	71	30	41					
Ν	29.5 - 31.0	SPT	68	68	SC	13.4		21.9	37	22	15					G=2.703

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	SAMPLE	SAMP-	Ν			DRY	%						ENGTH T			
SAMPLE NO.	DEPTH (ft)	LER TYPE	BLOWS per ft.	SOIL GROUP	W%	UW pcf	PASS #200	LL %	PL %	PI %	TEST TYPE	Ф deg.	C psi	Ф deg.	C psi	COMMENTS
NO.	(11)		per n.	GROOF		рсі	#200	70	70	70		0	eak	0	idual	
A1	1.07 - 1.22			SM	1.8	16.4	24.9									
A2	1.22 - 1.37			SM	3.4	17.6	42.5				DS	40.8	0.322			G=2.61, DS (recomp sample)
В	1.37 - 1.83			SM	7.4		23.5									Ch
C1	1.98 - 2.13				5.6	21.4										Ch
C2	2.13 - 2.29			GW	1.1	22.5	4.3									
D	2.29 - 2.74			SP-SM	4.0		8.0									Ch
E1	3.35 - 3.50			SW-SM	4.2	21.2	5.9									
E2	3.50 - 3.66			SW-SM	0.4	22.1	5.3									
F	3.66 - 4.11			SC-SM	5.0		33.6	25	19	6						
G1	4.27 - 4.42			SM	3.7	19.4	22.5				DS	39.1	0.402			DS (recomp sample)
G2	4.42 - 4.57															

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I	5.18 - 5.33			SP-SM	2.7	21.3	11.7									
J	5.33 - 5.64			CL	7.4		55.9	27	14	13						
К	7.01 - 7.11															
L	8.53 - 8.61															
М	9.60 - 10.06			GM	1.5		15.7									
Ν	10.06 - 10.51			SM	7.6		41.4	85	47	38						
O1	10.80 - 10.97			SC	17.1	17.1	33.0	57	34	33						
O2	10.97 - 11.12															
Р	11.12 - 11.58			GM	7.4		15.9									Ch

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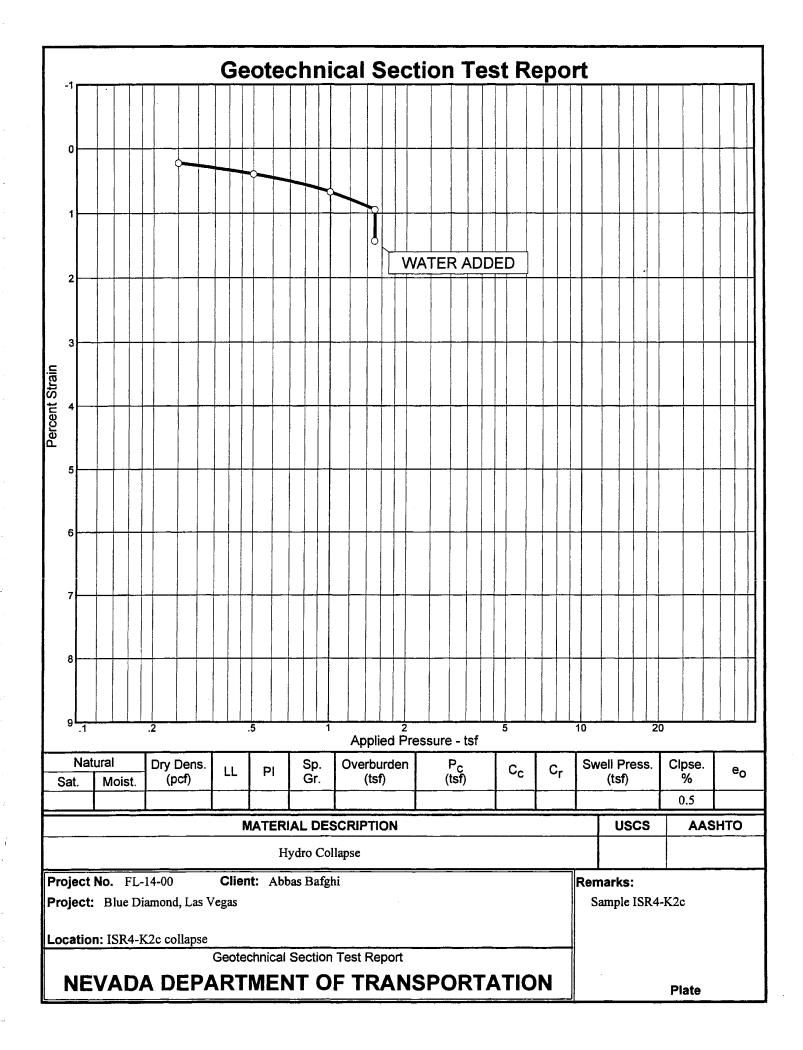
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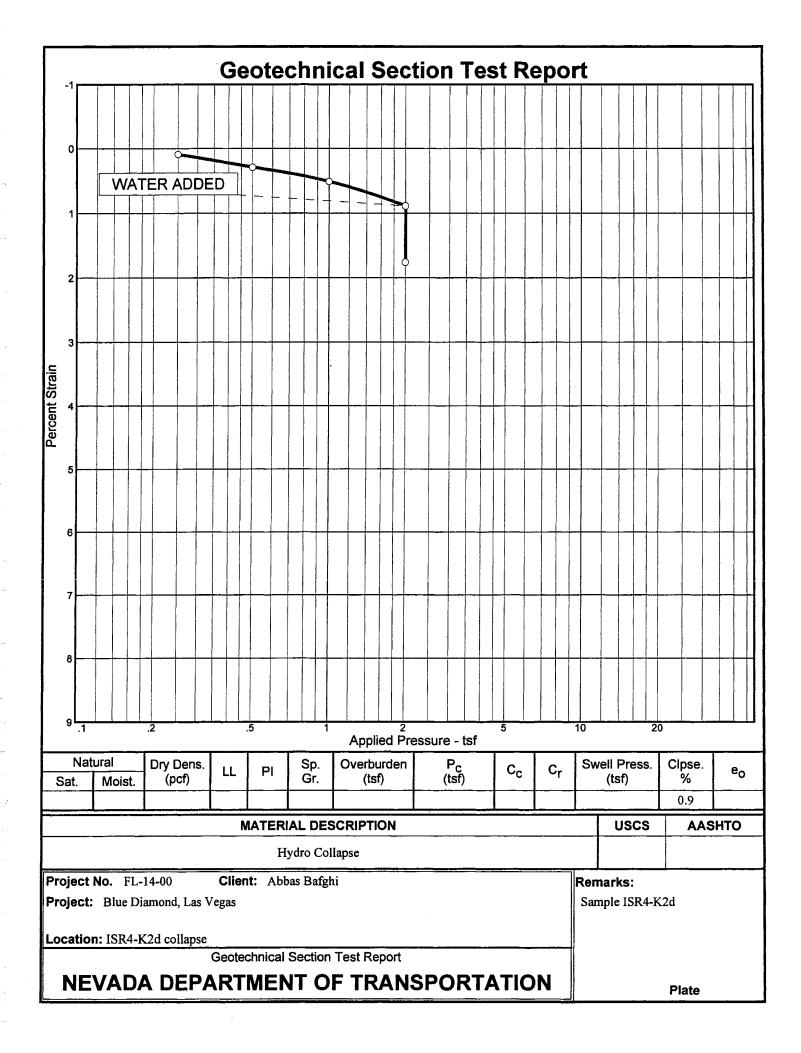
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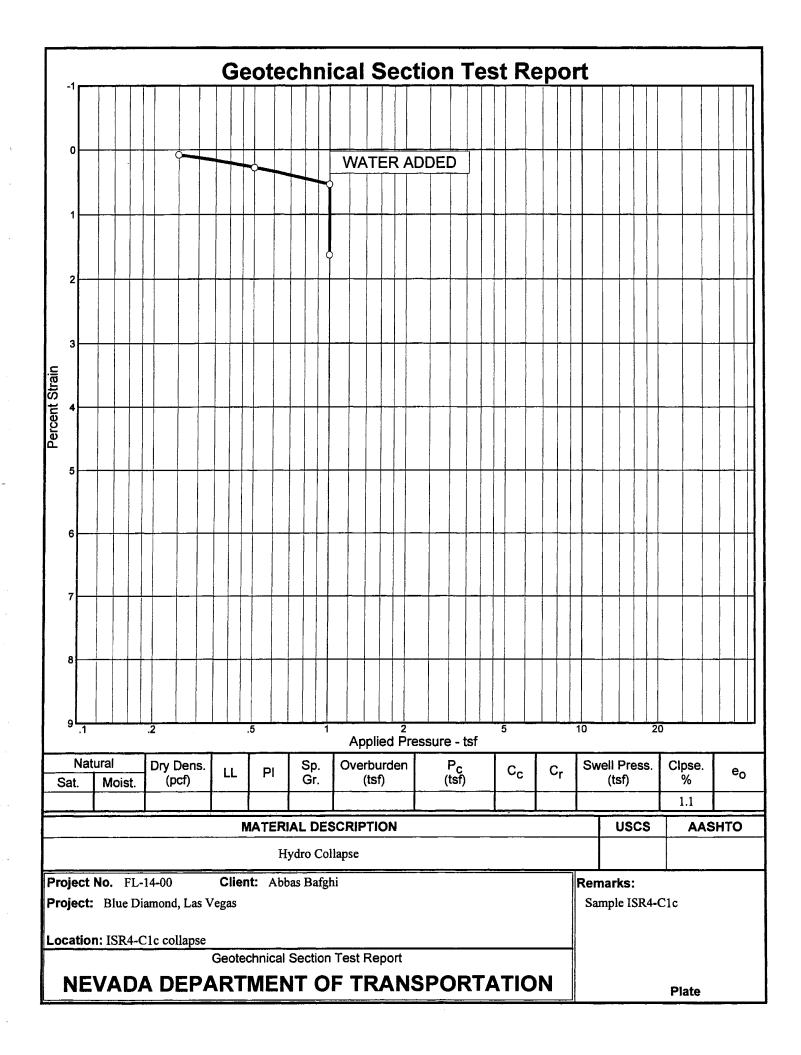
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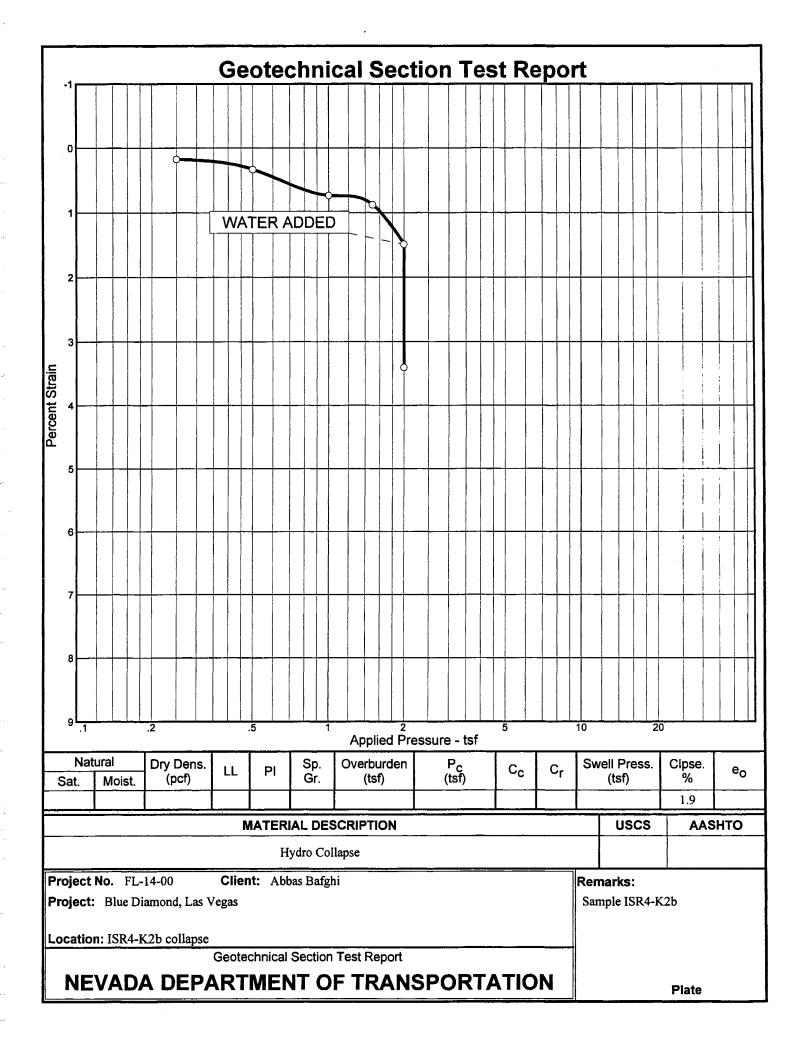
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1-m	60	300	8.2	3,509
1-r	*	*	8.3	3,906
2-a	50	1,000	7.9	517
2-f2	440	900	7.9	683
3-b	1,100	5,000	7.9	202
3-h	60	800	8.0	1,385
3-1	80	800	8.0	1,486
3-k	*	*	7.9	1,669
3-q	50	500	7.9	3,413
4-b	590	1,000	7.8	514
4-i2	70	1,000	7.8	2,114
5-b	290	1,000	8.5	636
5-c1	140	700	8.5	1,739
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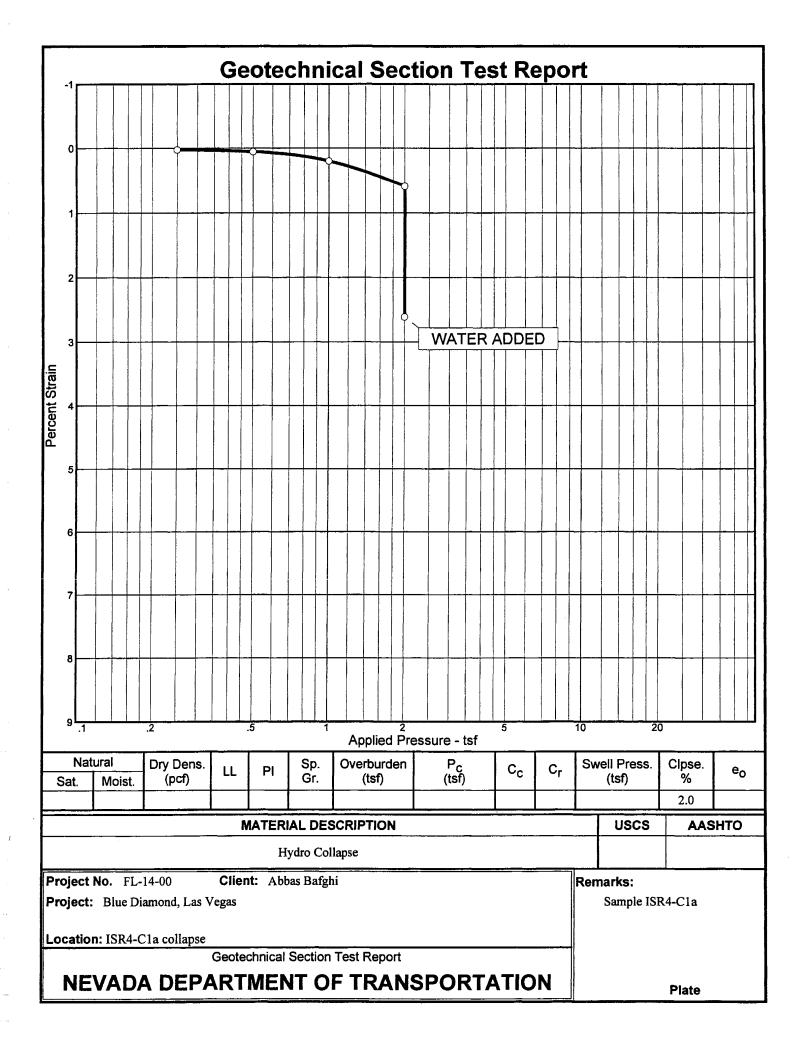
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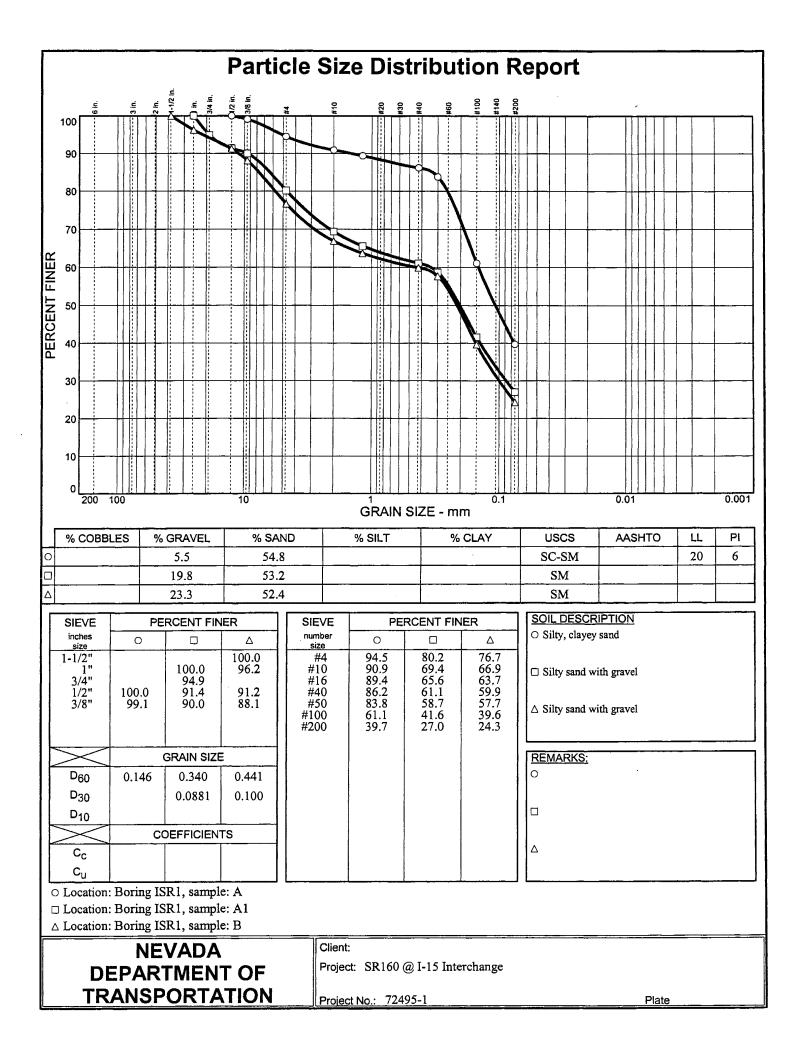


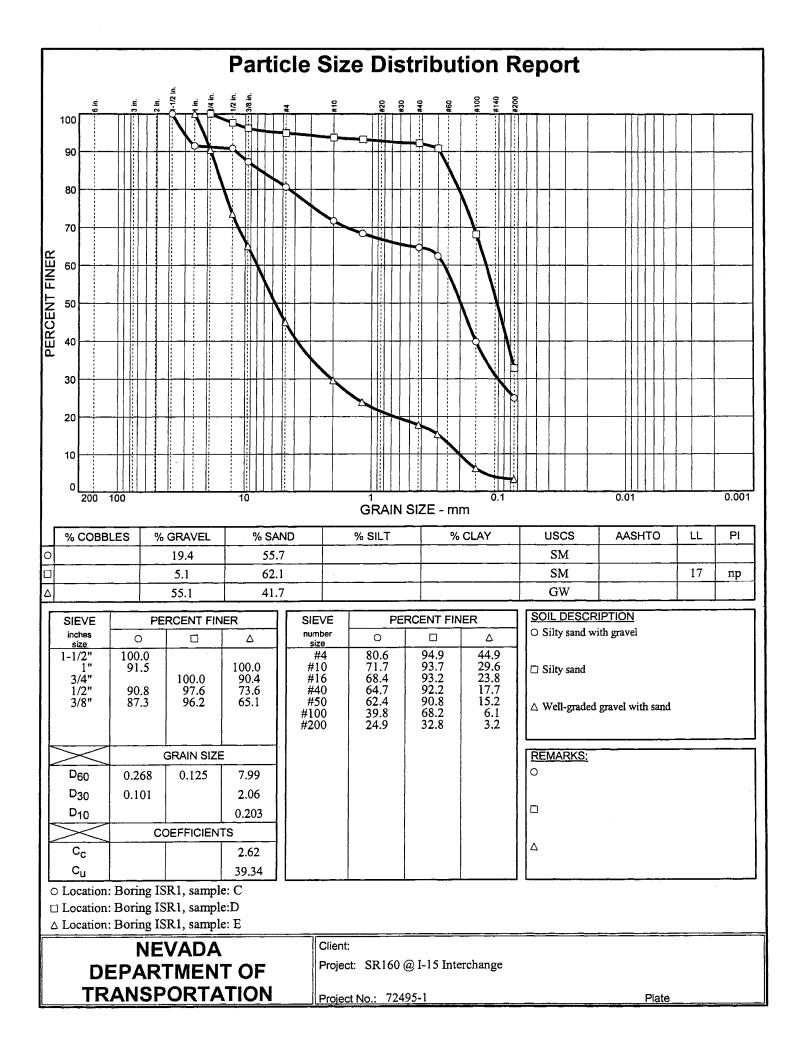


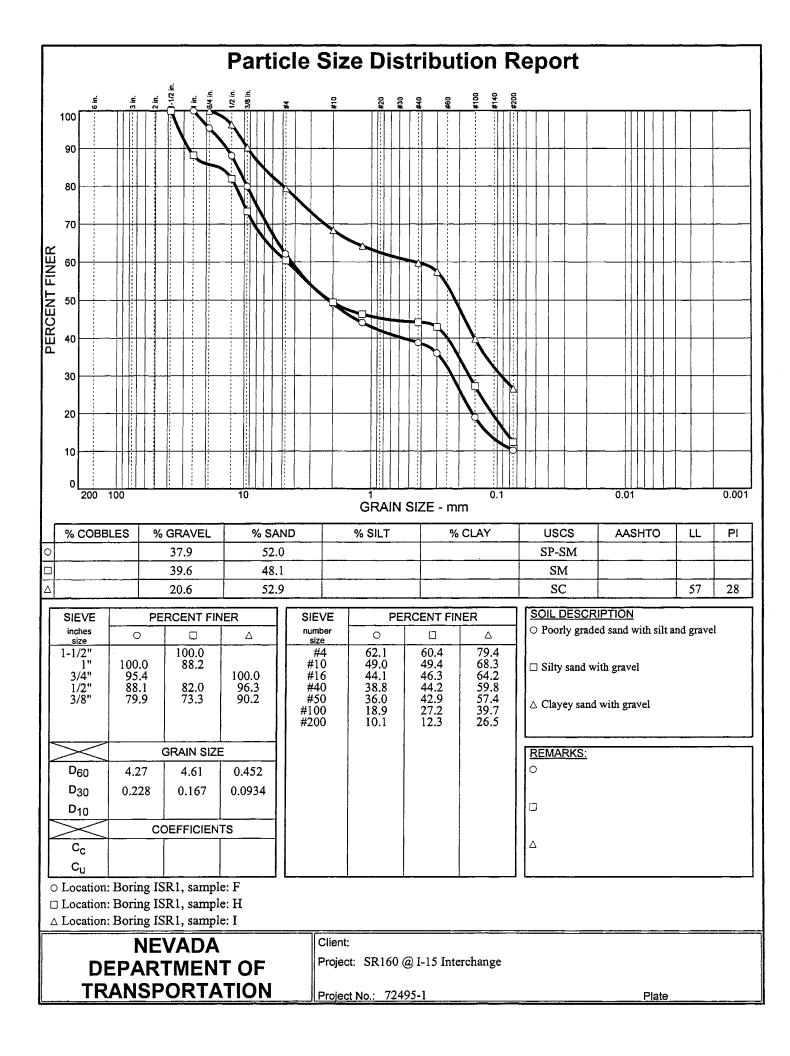


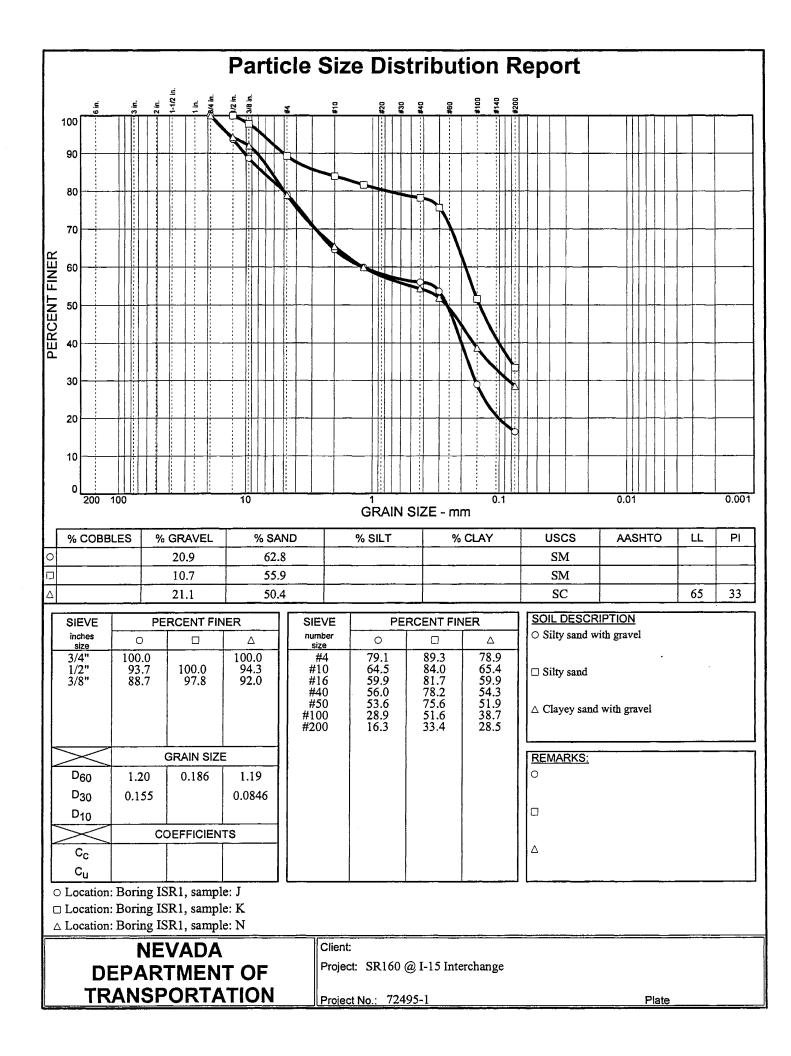


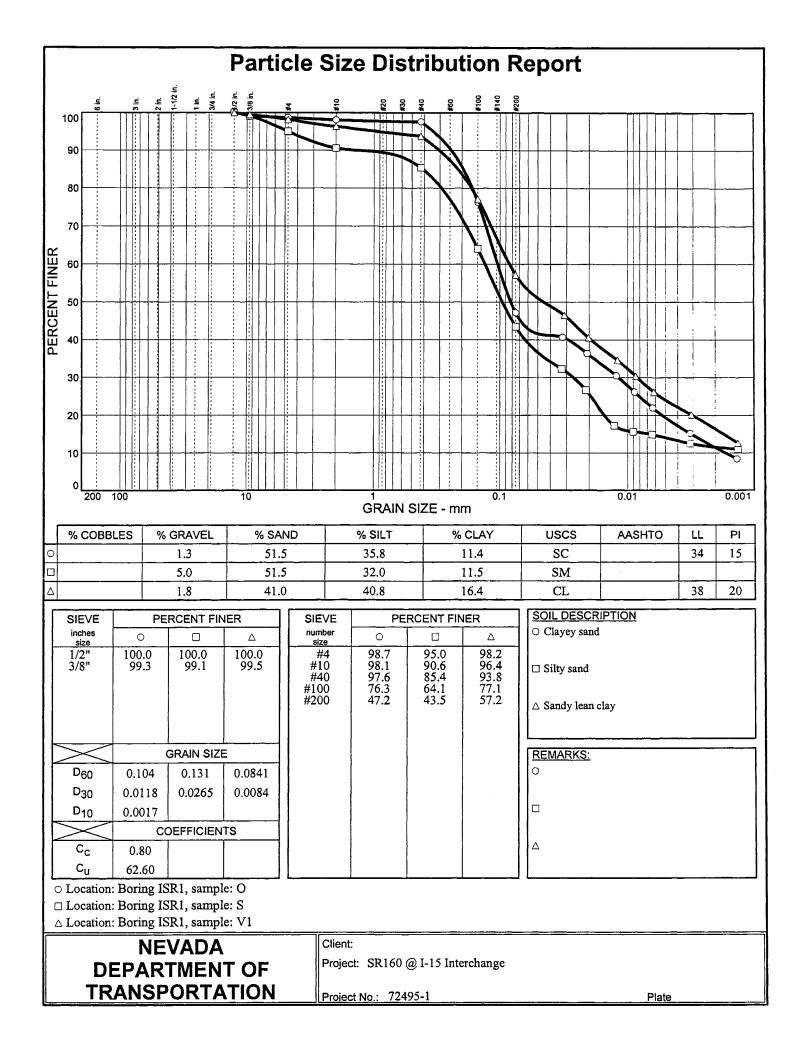


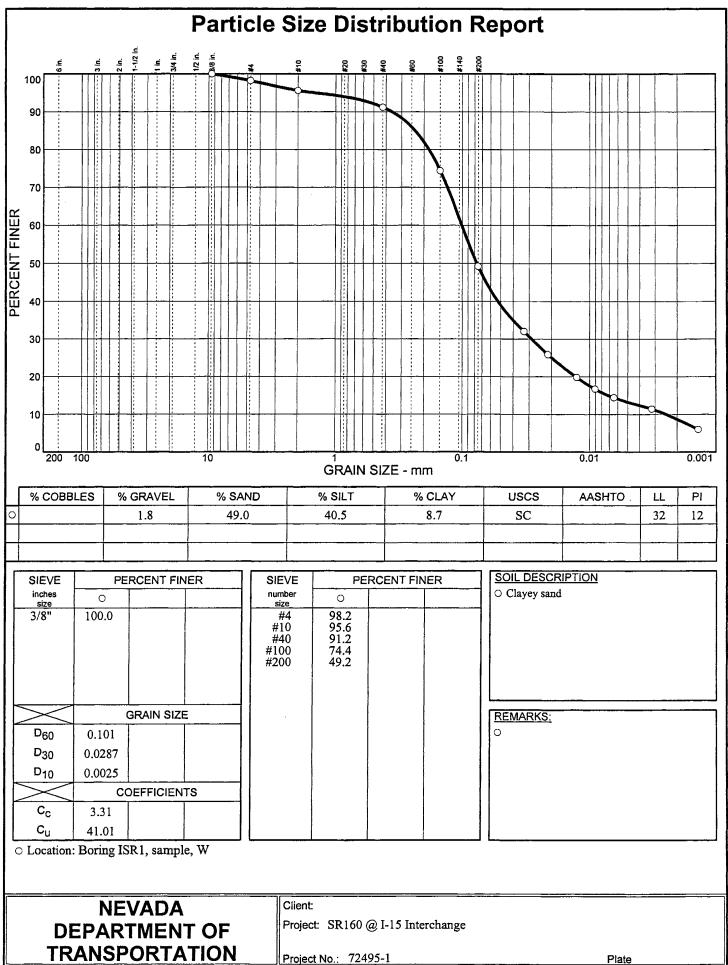




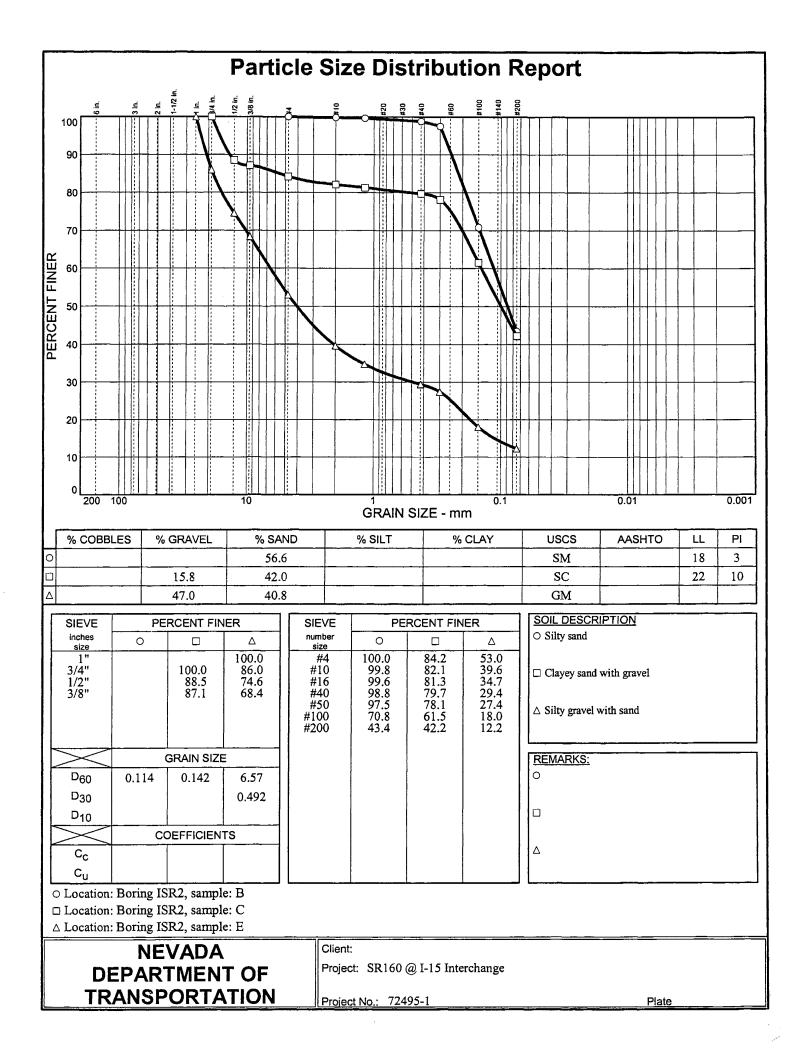


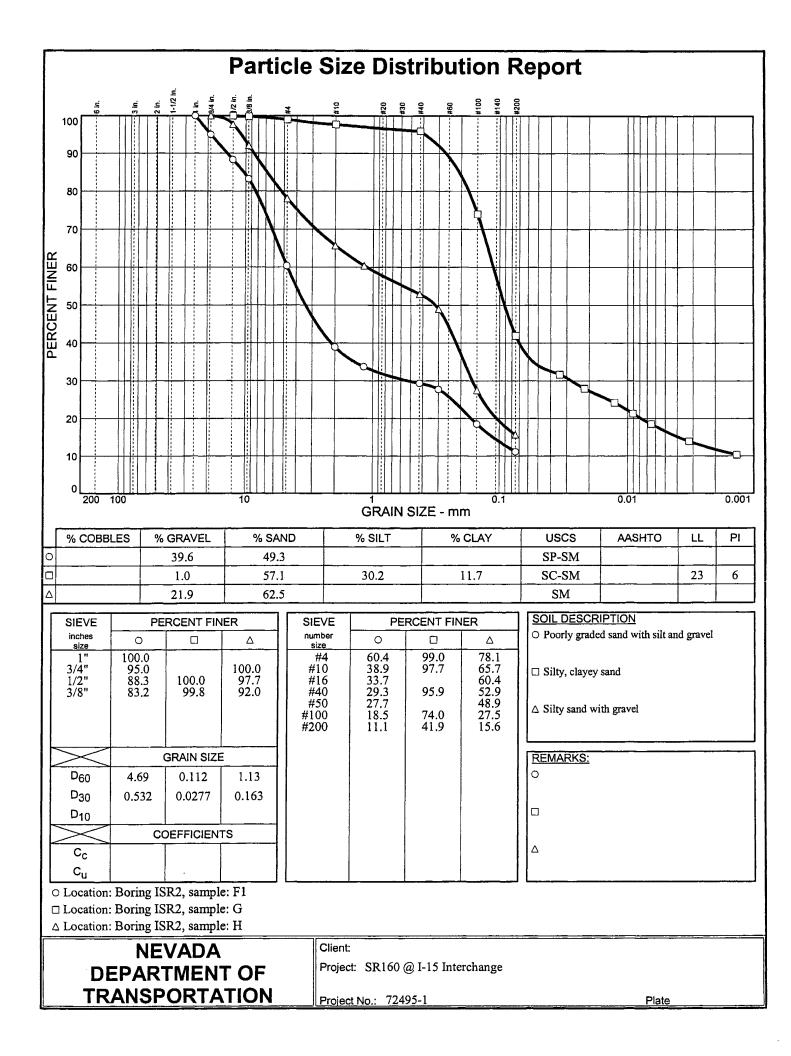


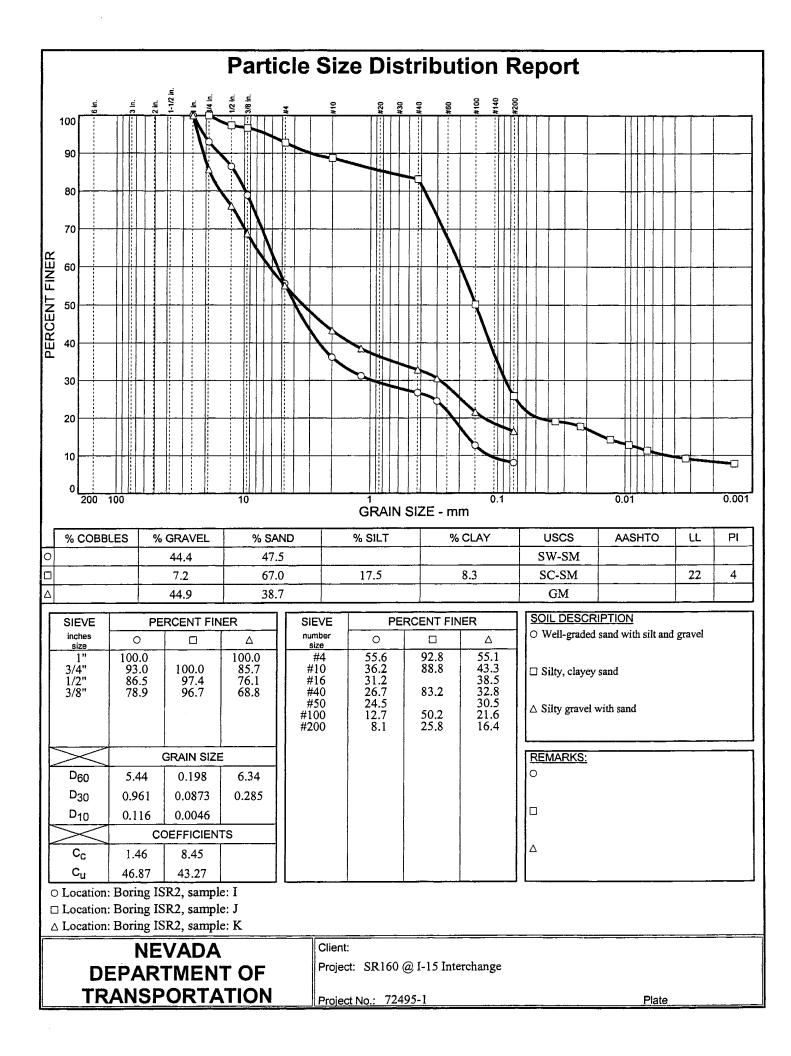


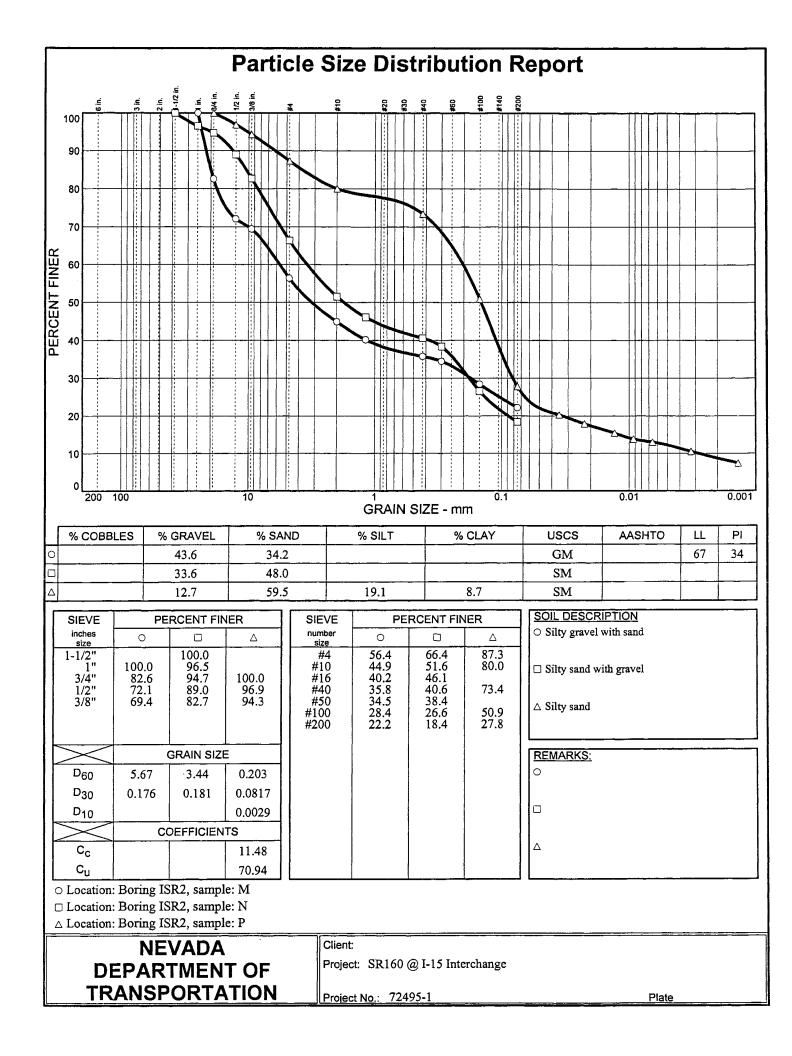


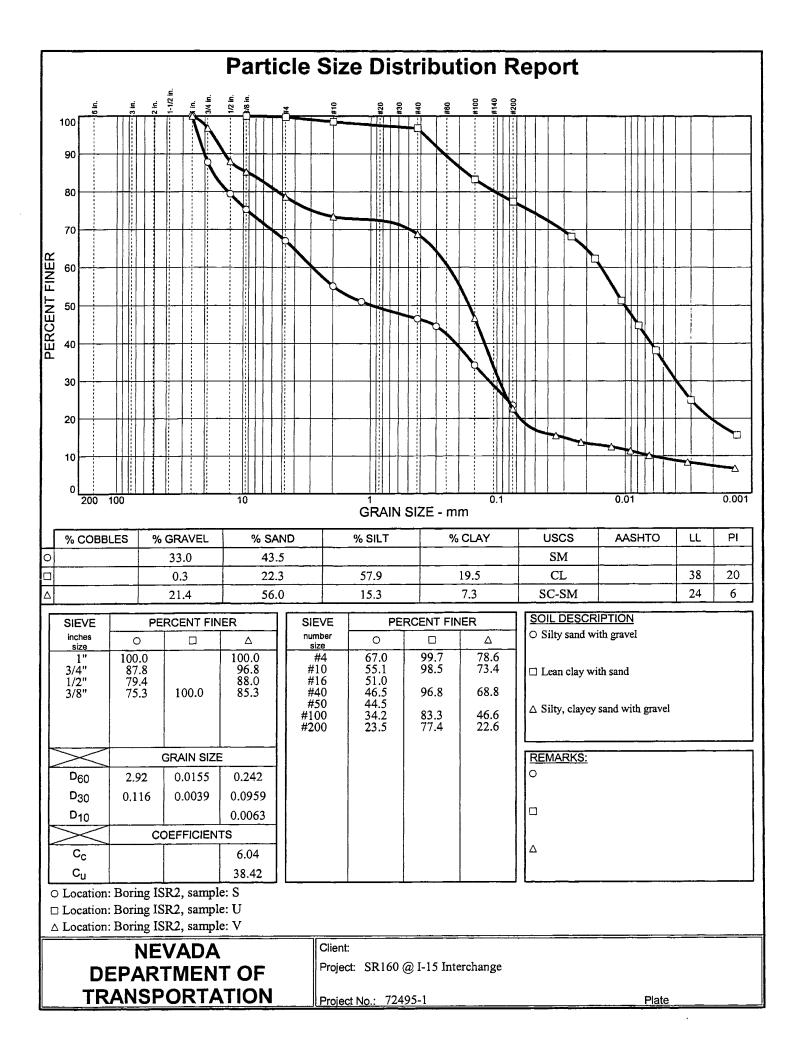
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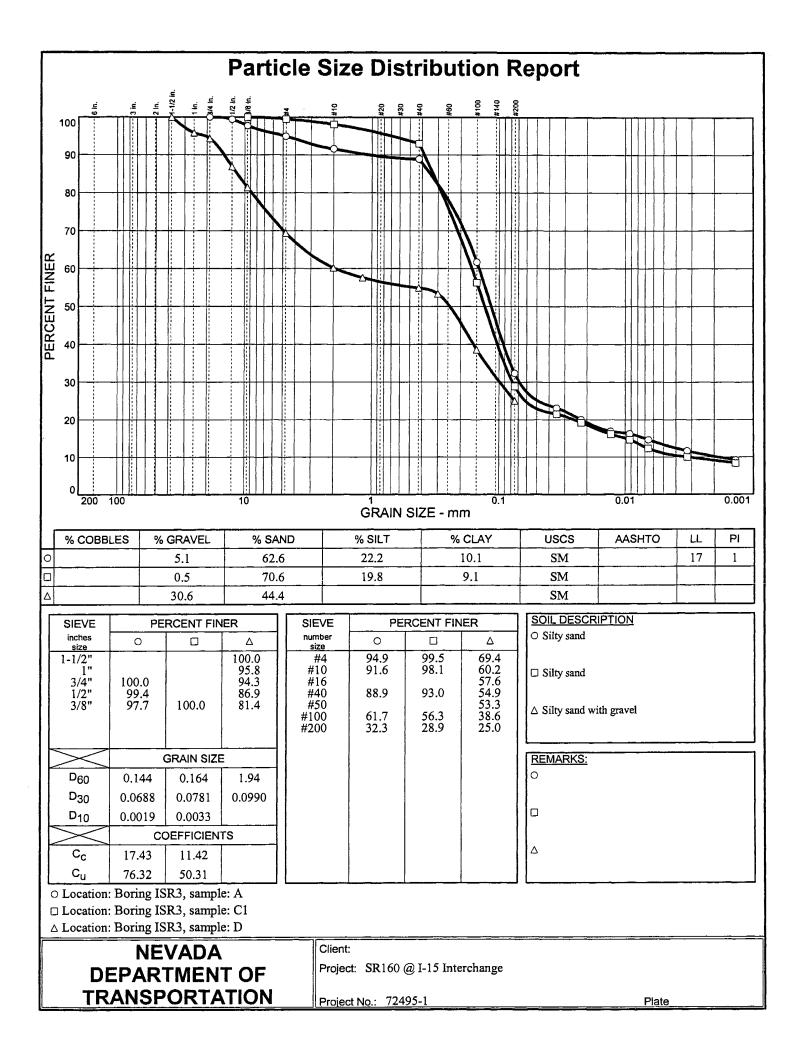


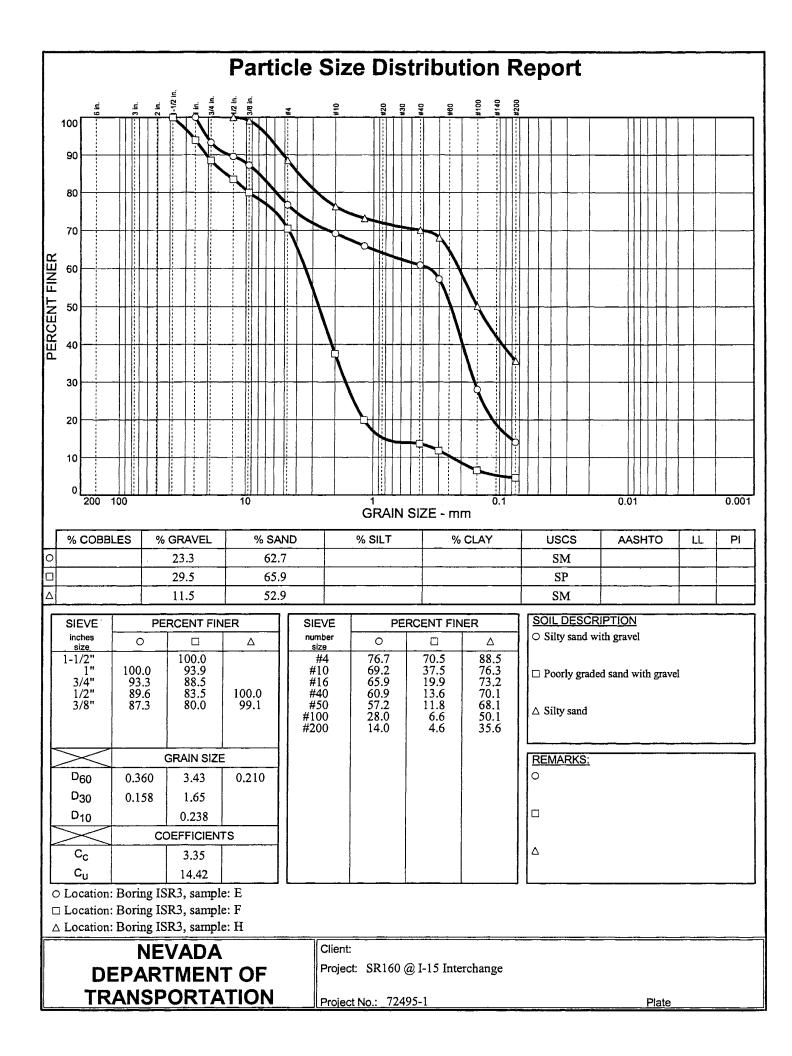






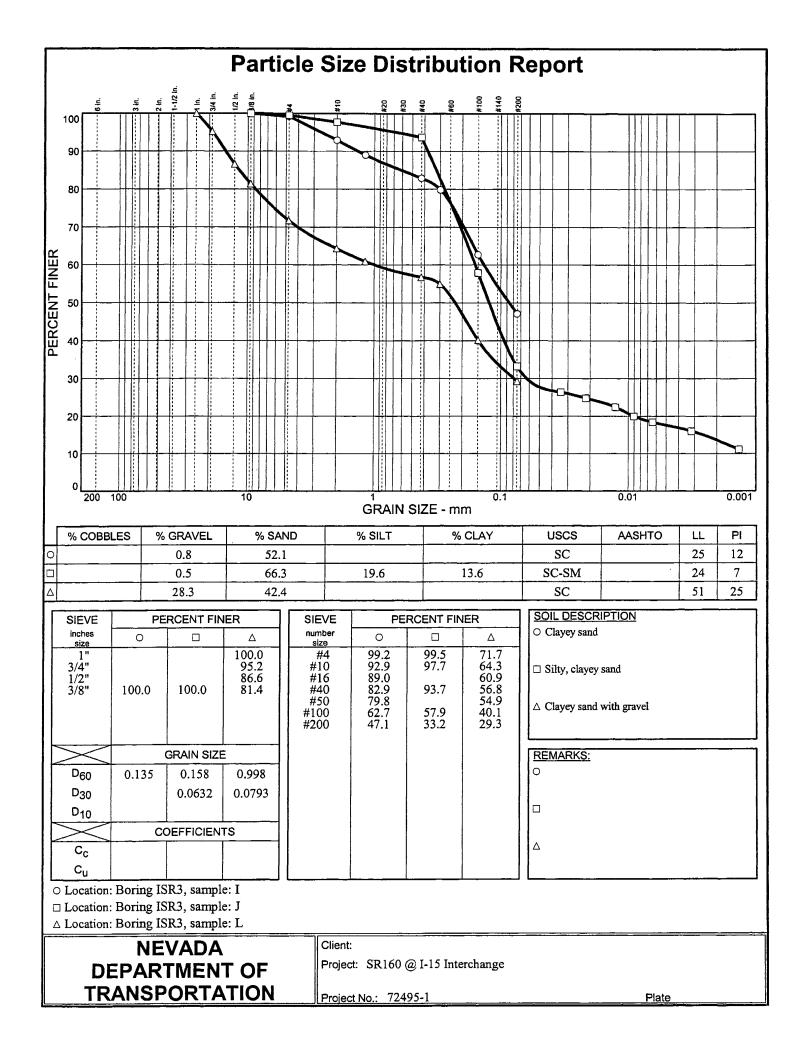


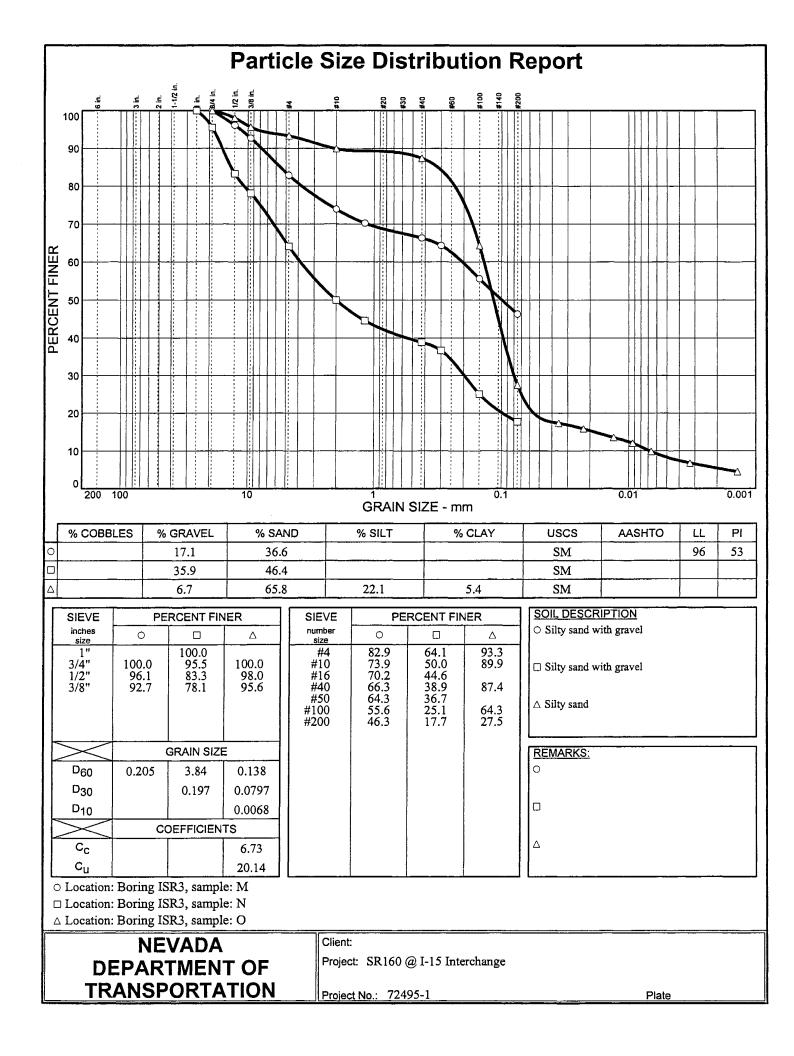


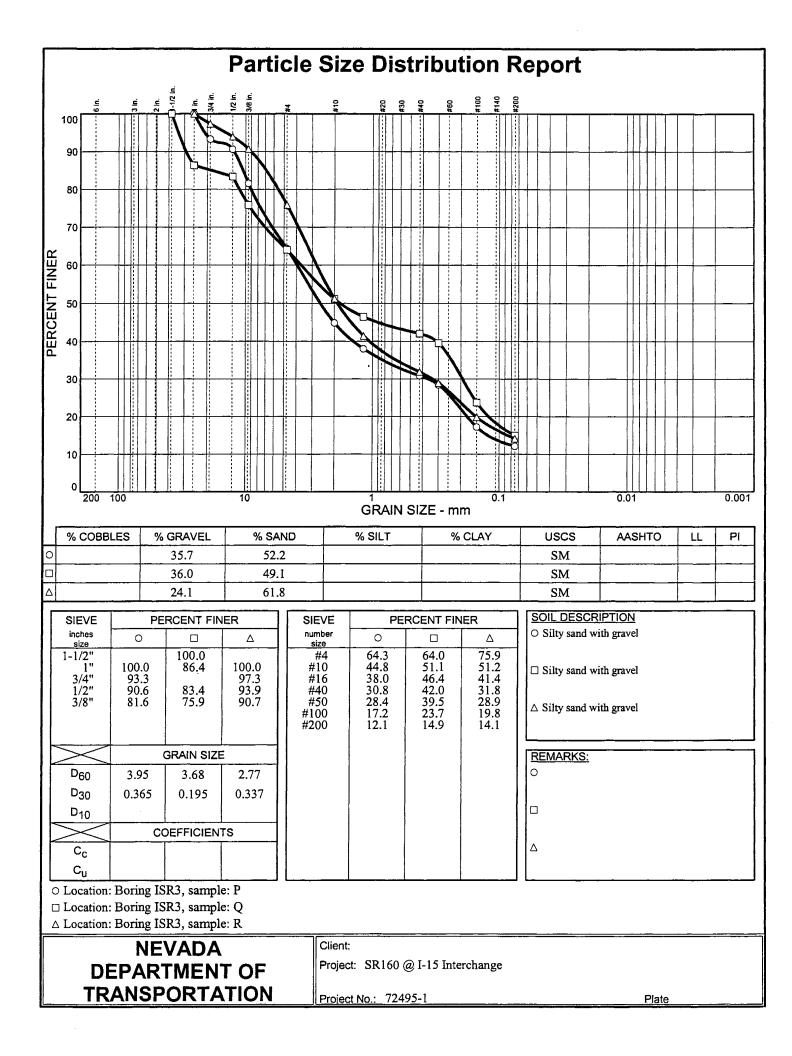


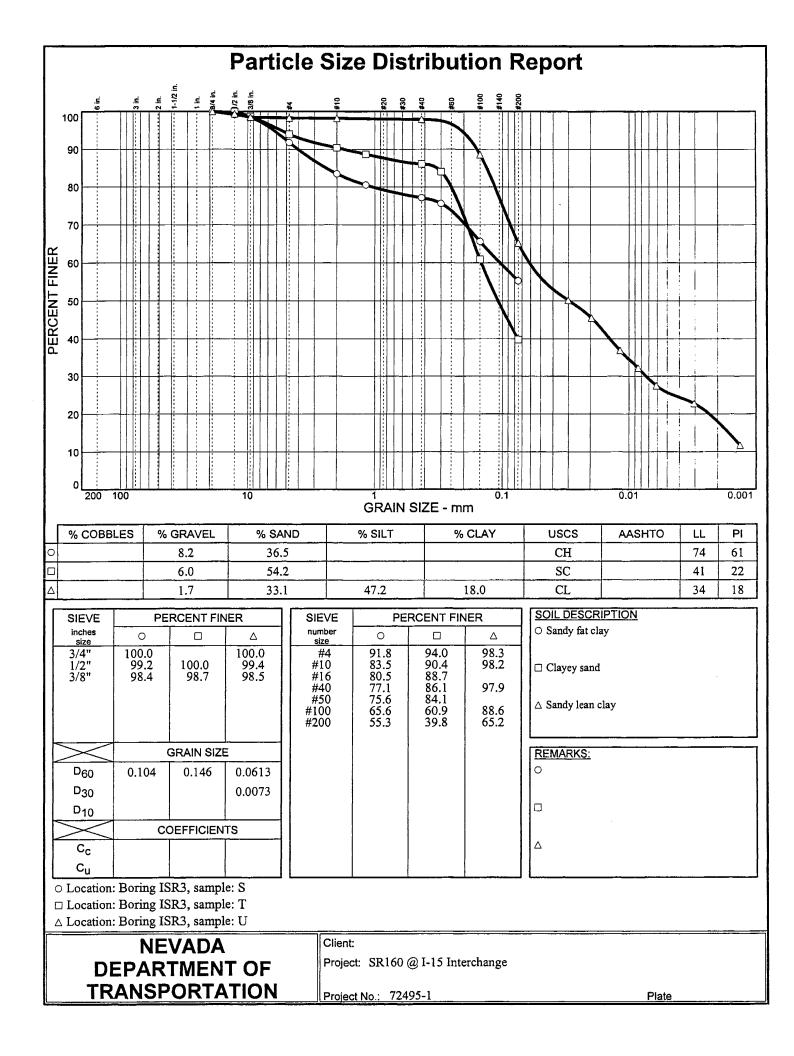
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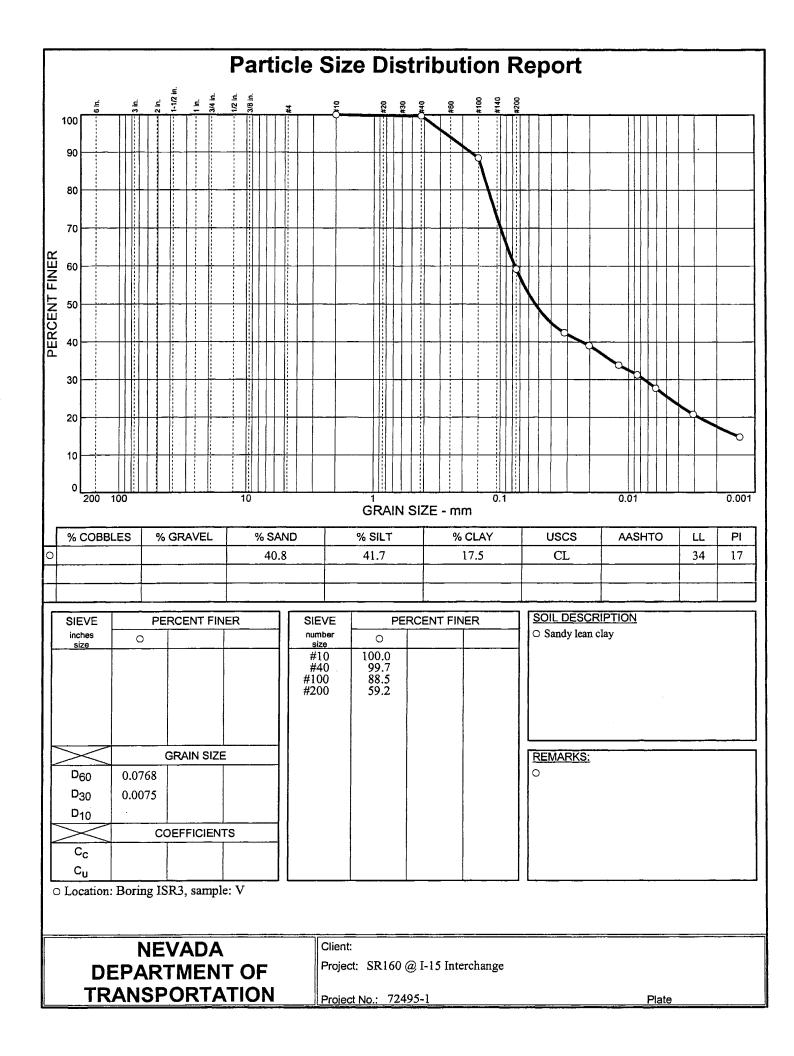
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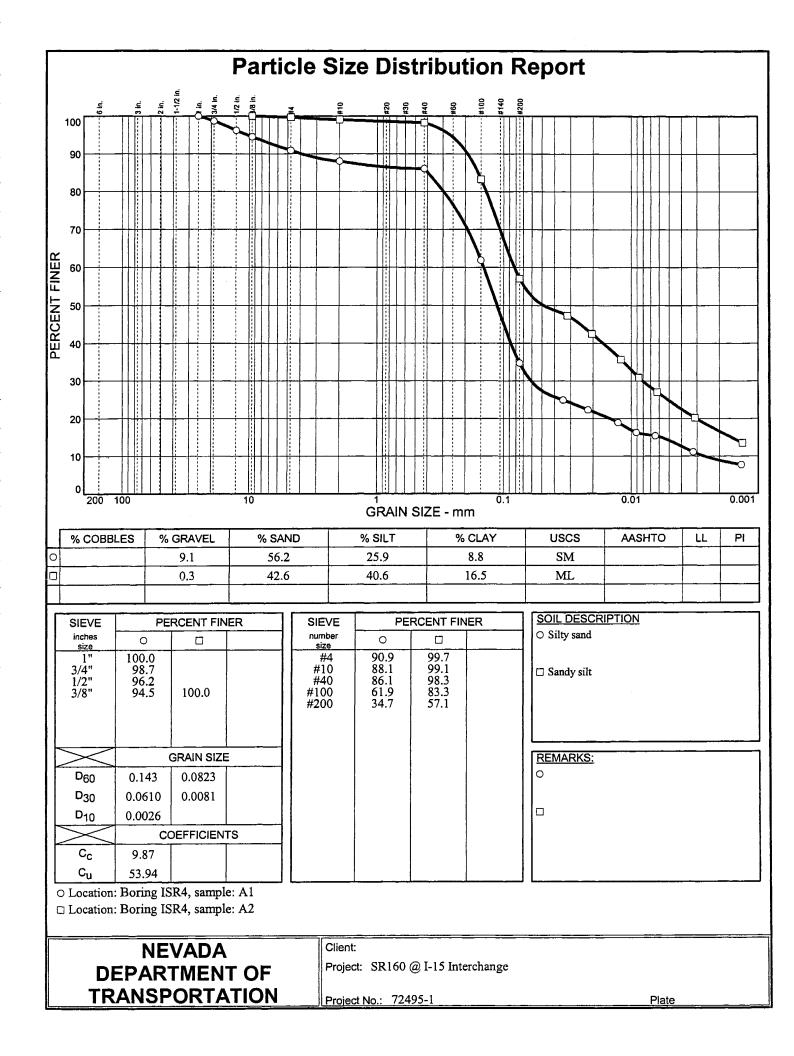




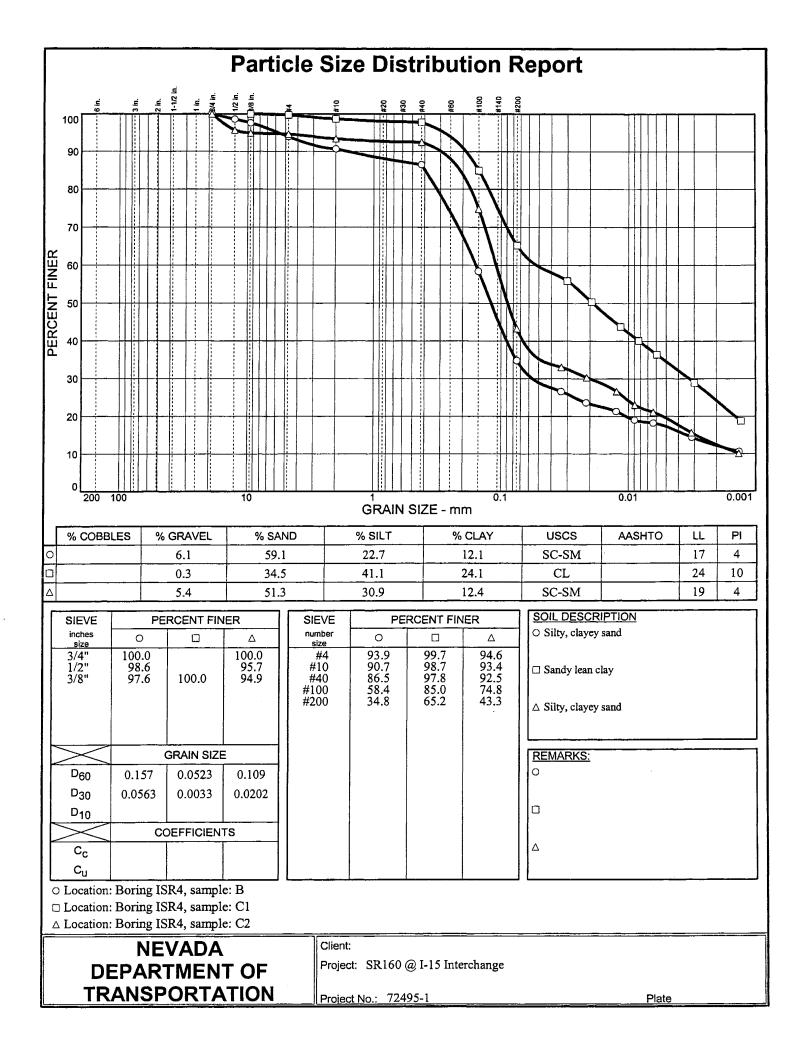


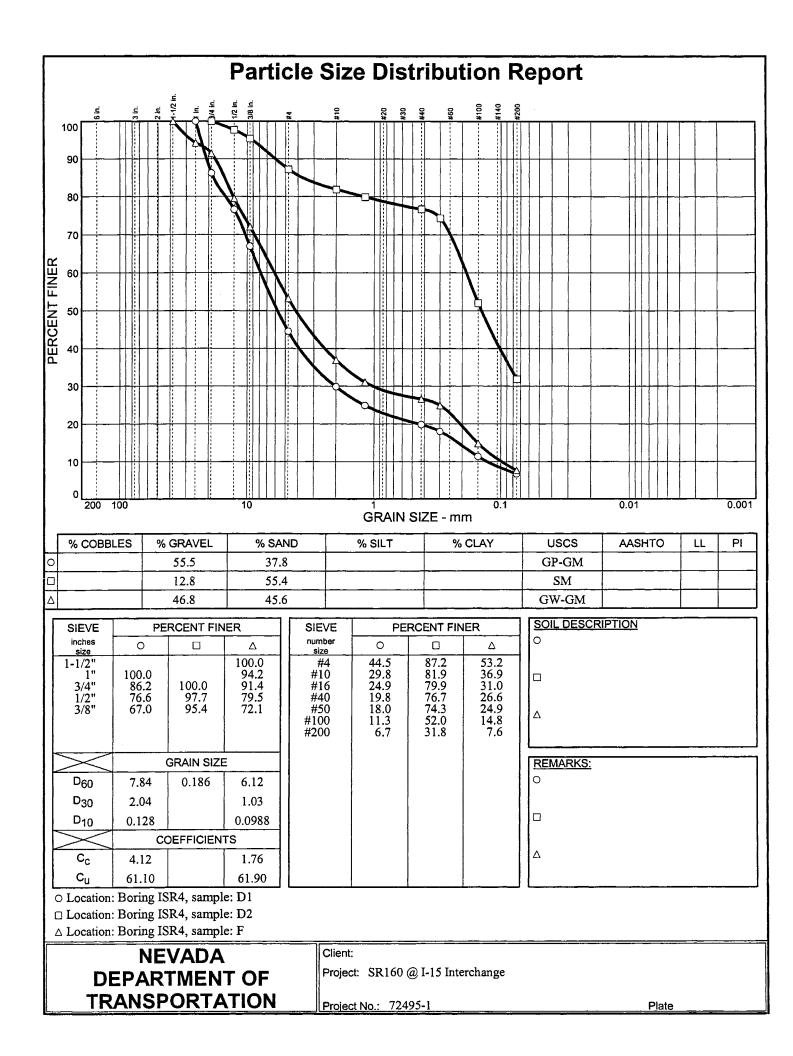


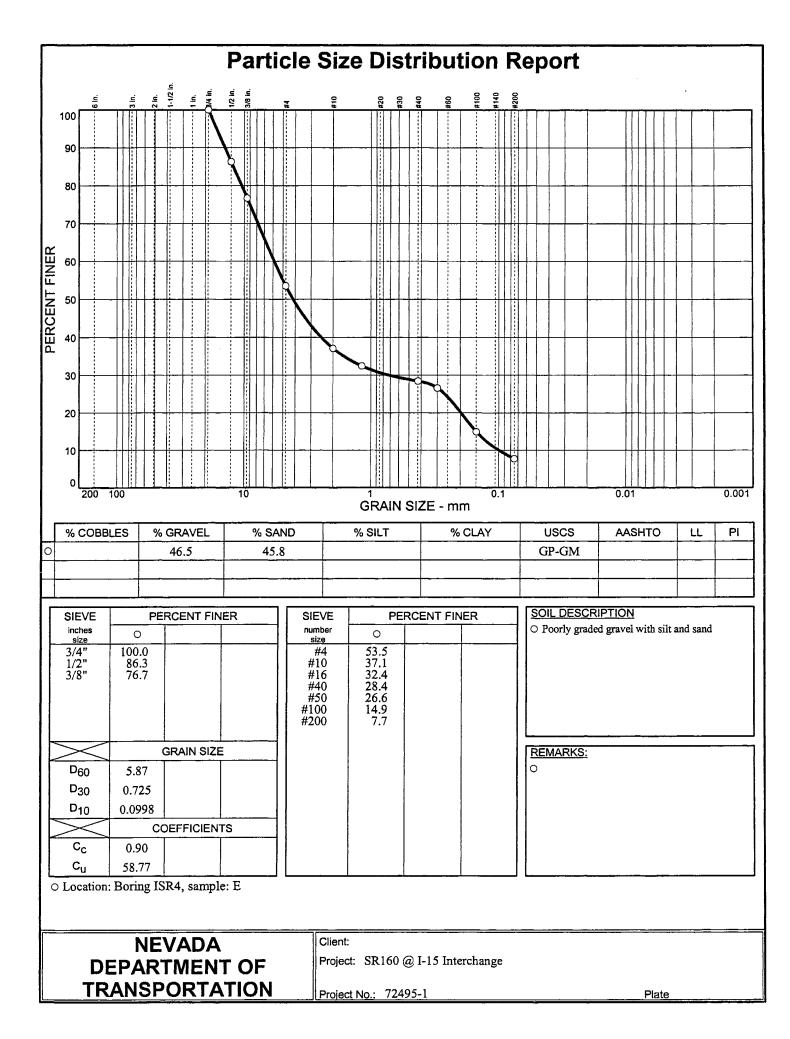




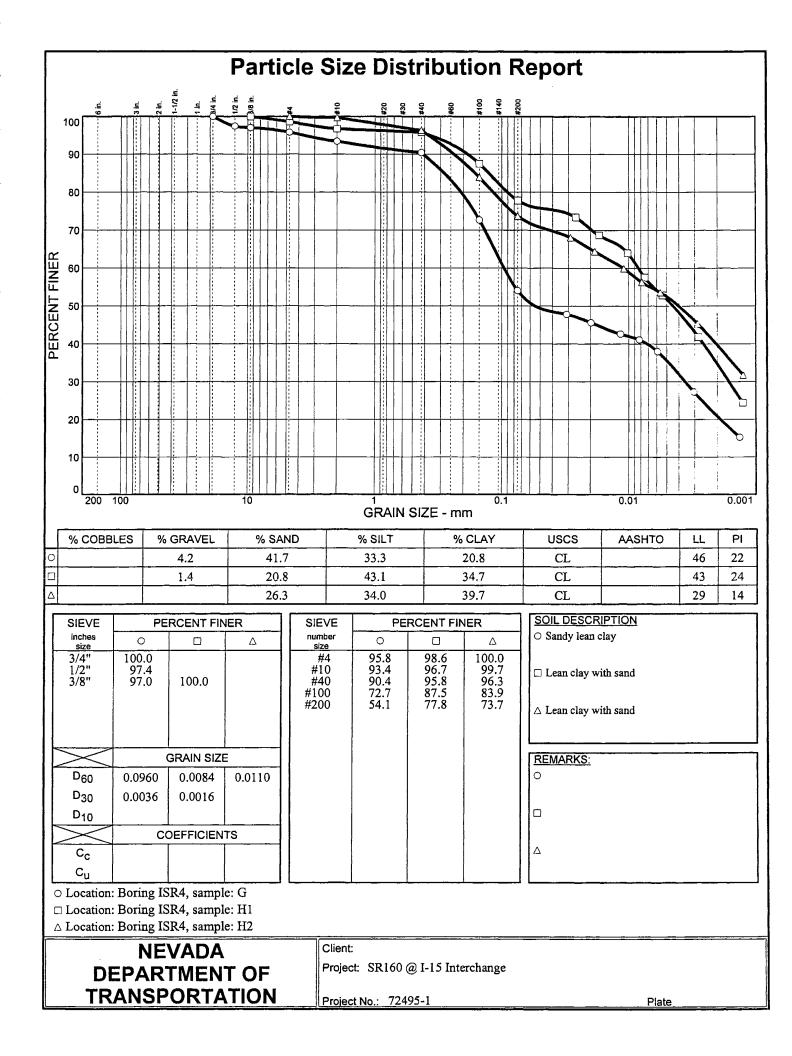
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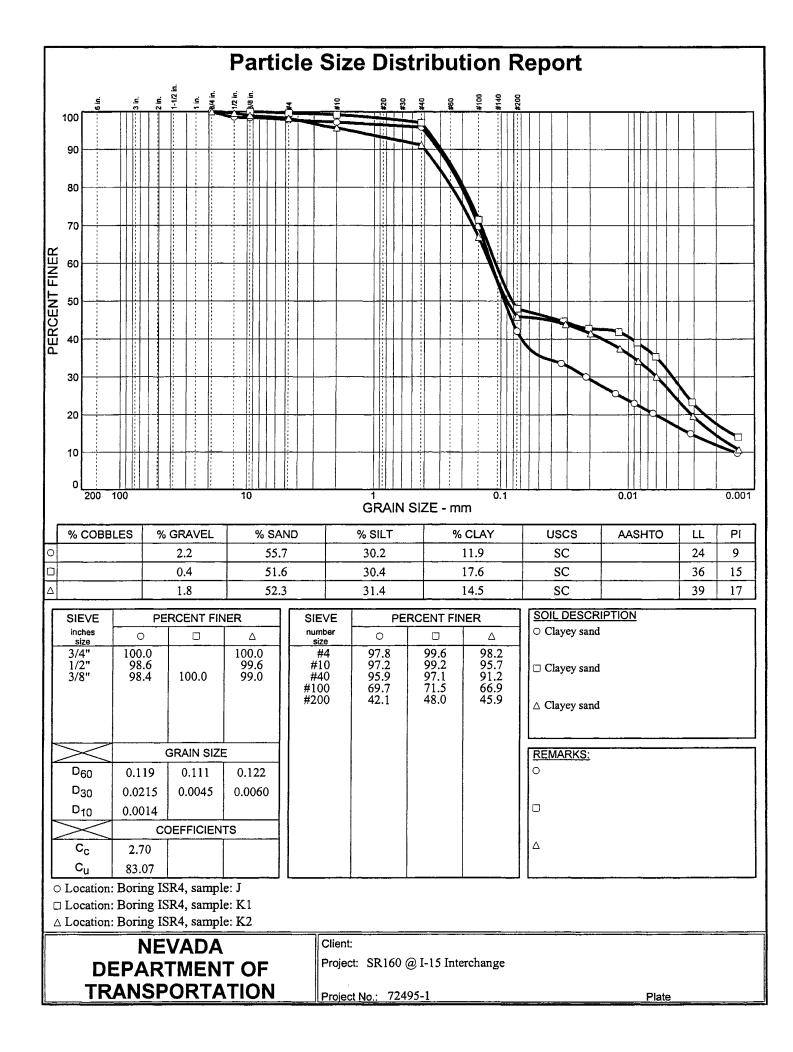




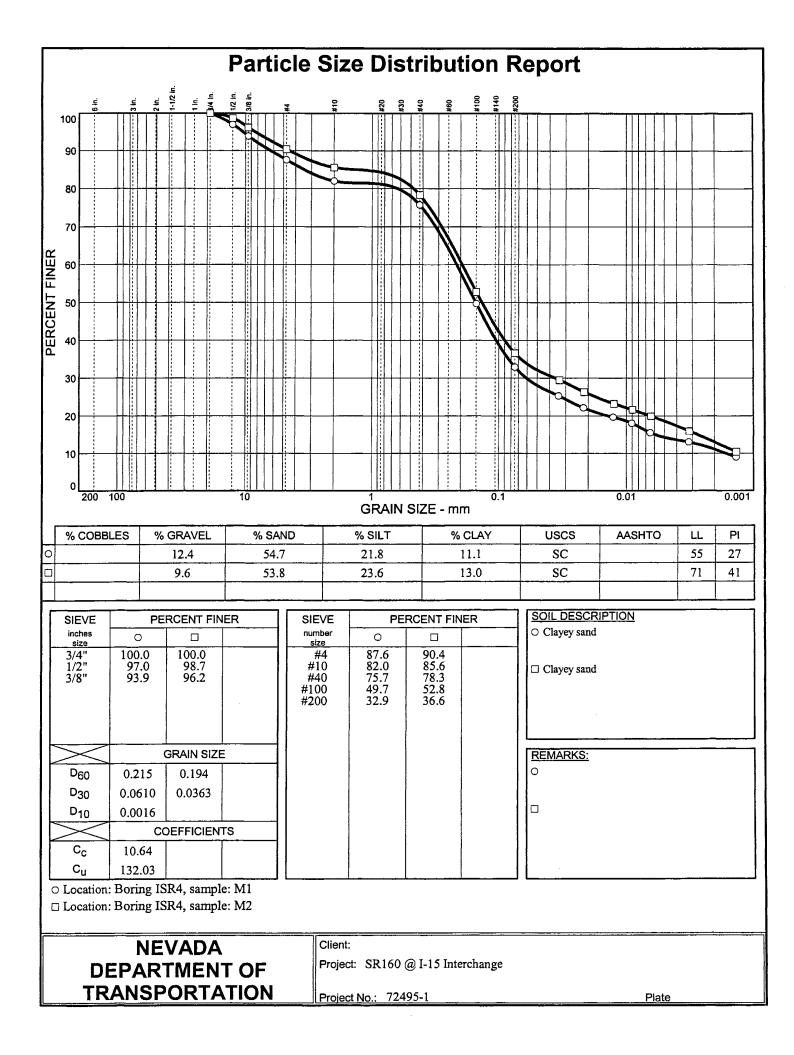


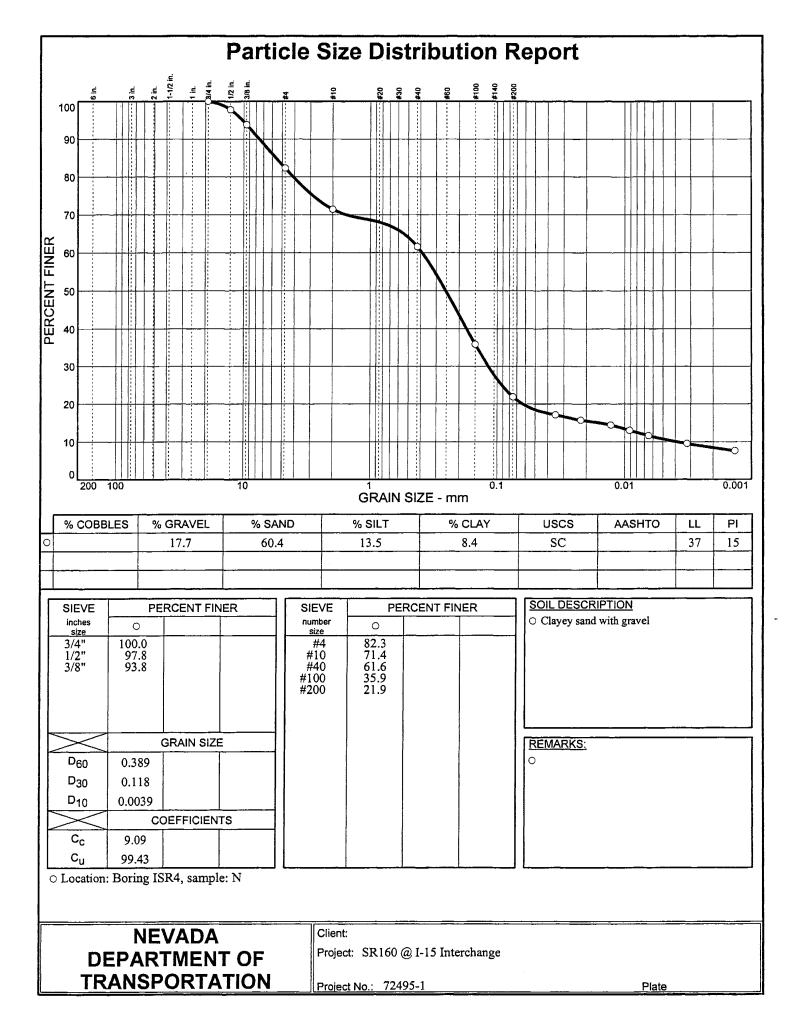
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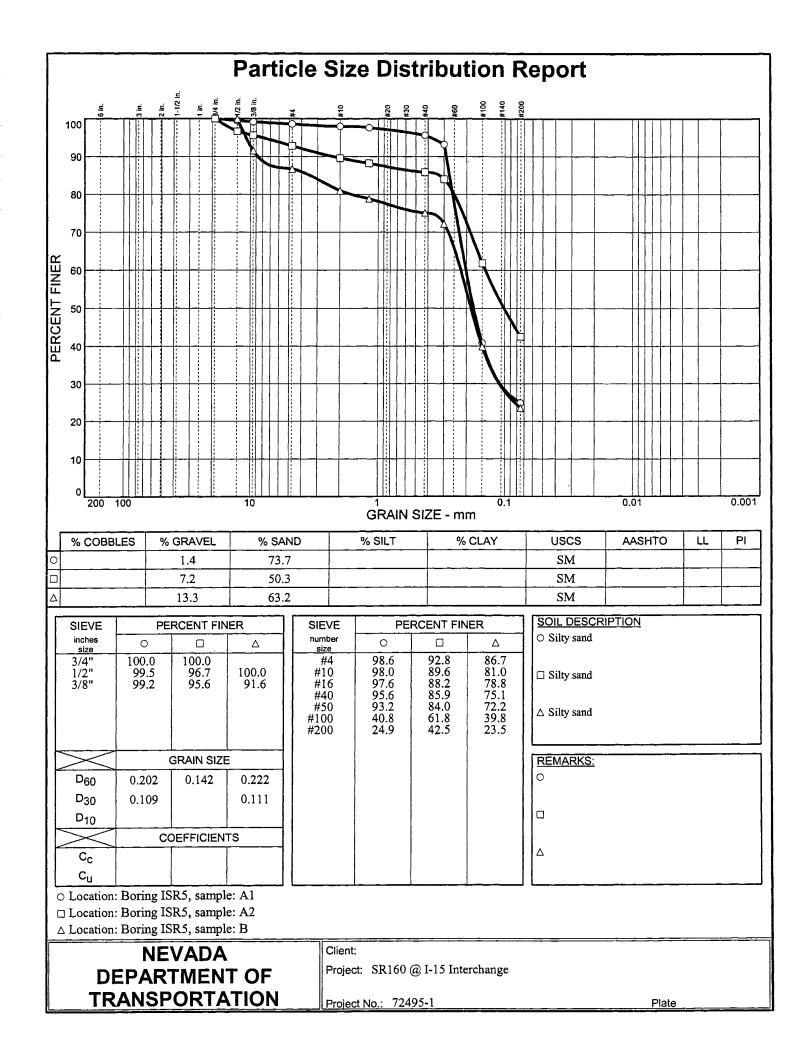




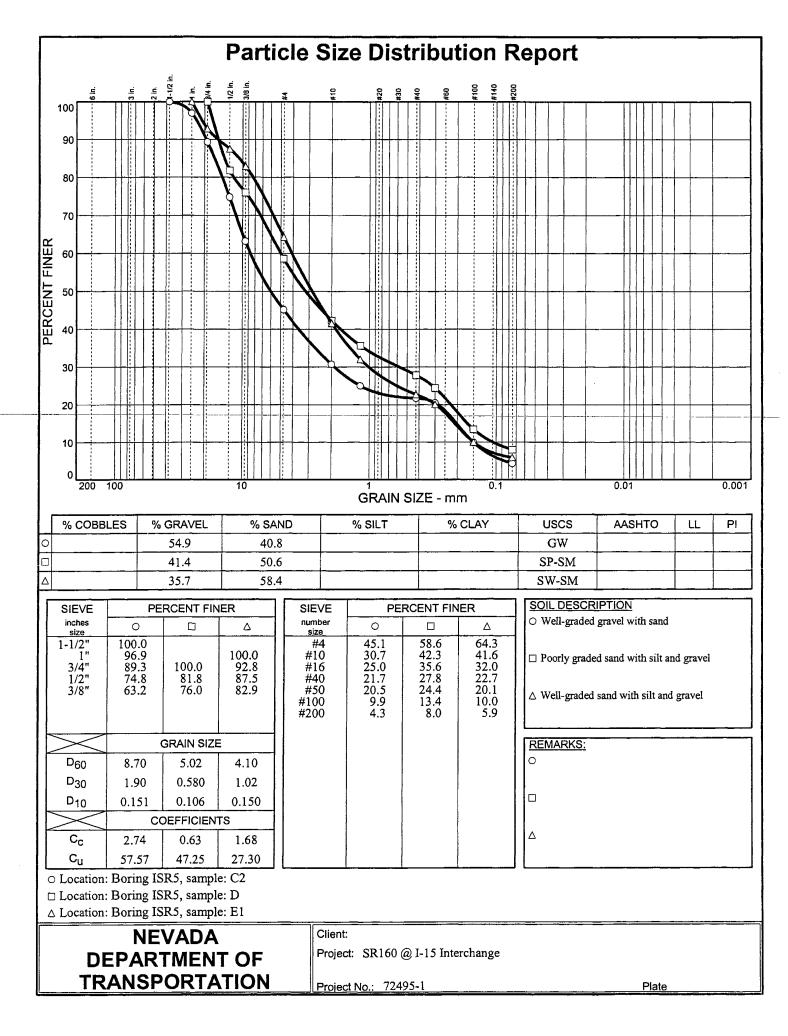
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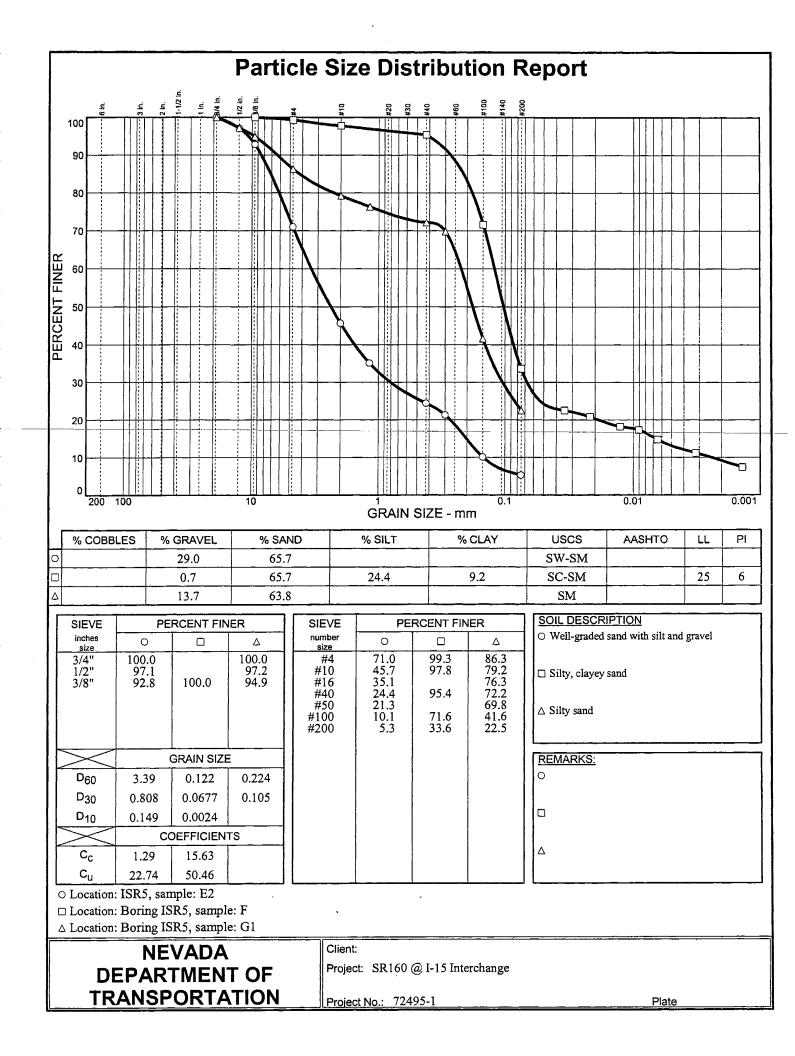


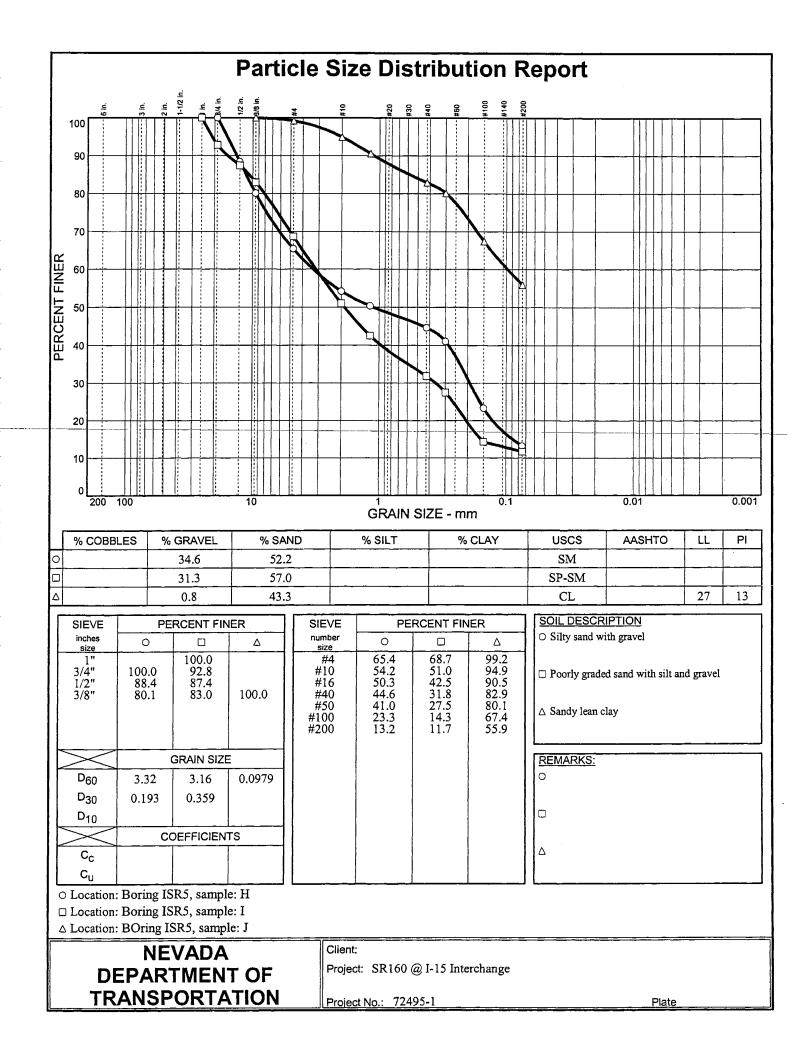


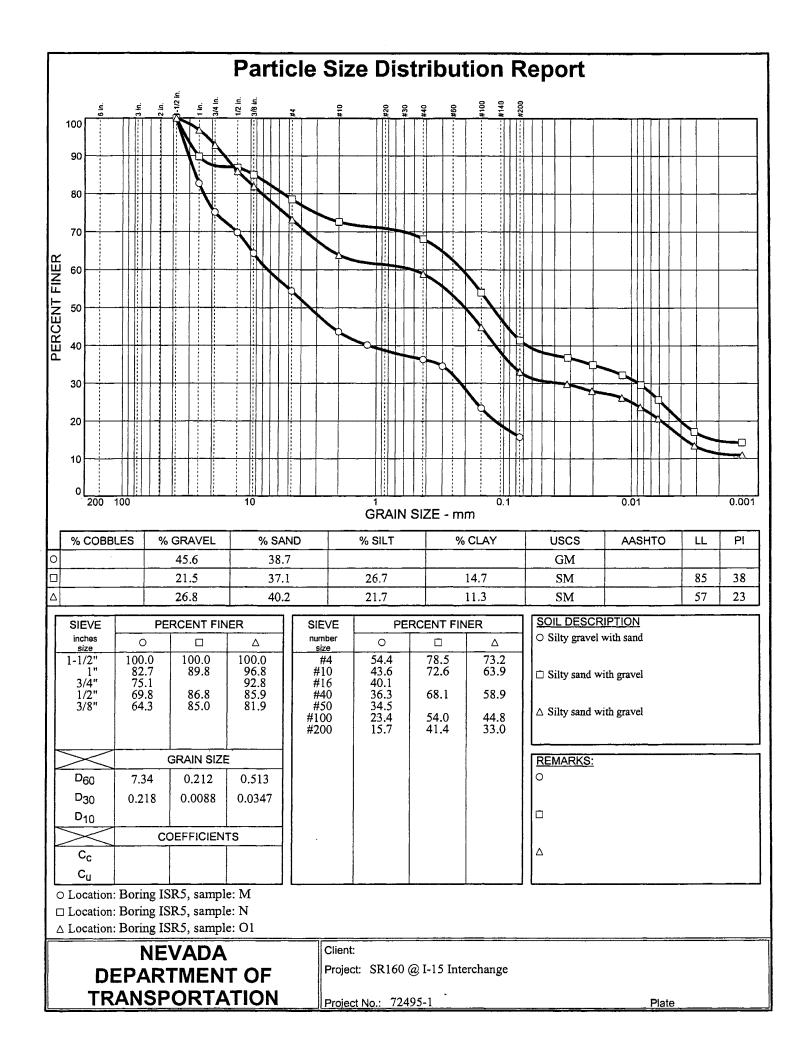
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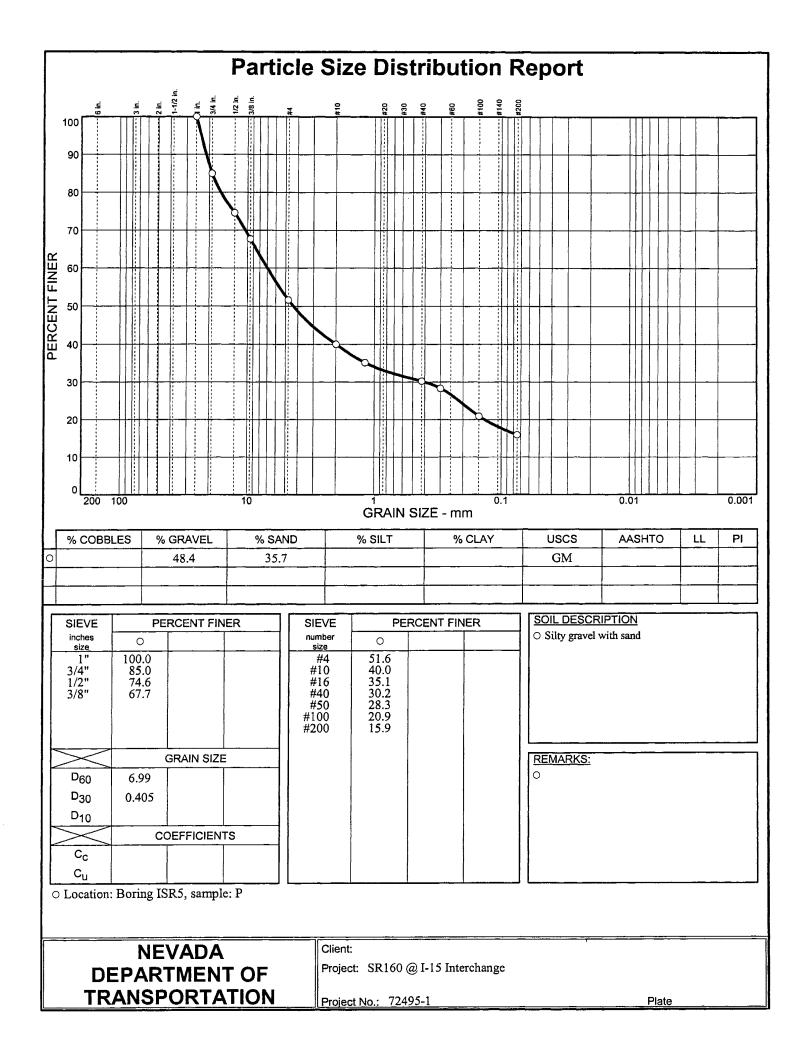


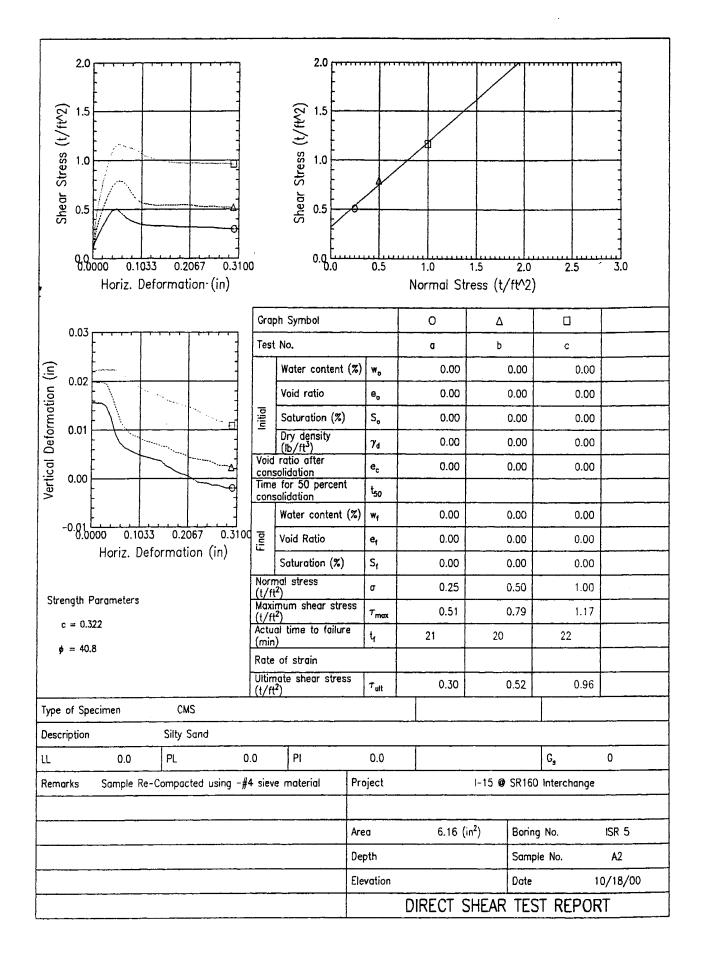
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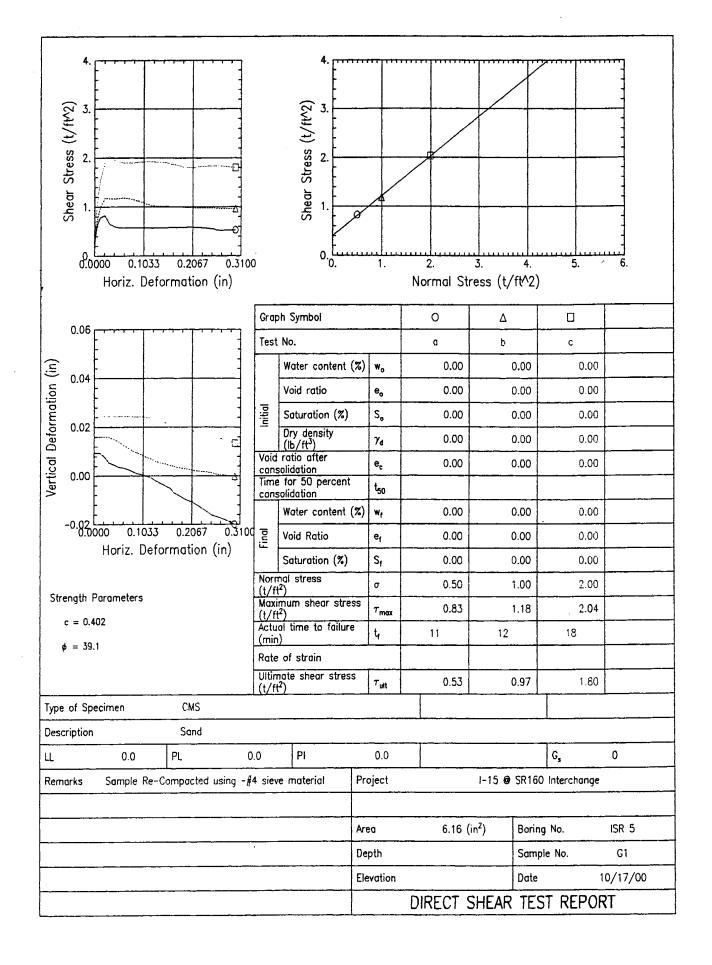






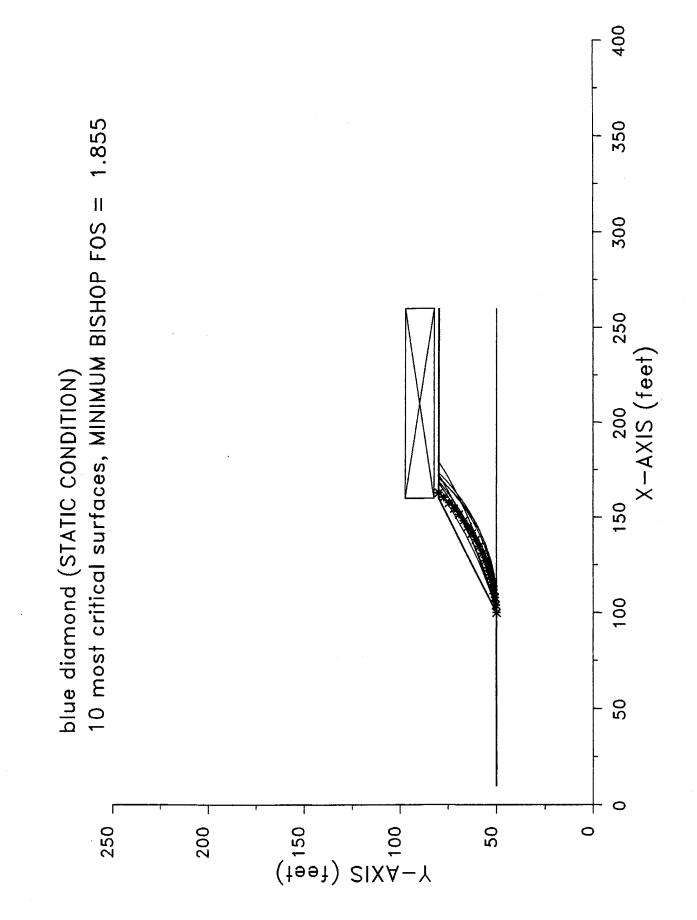






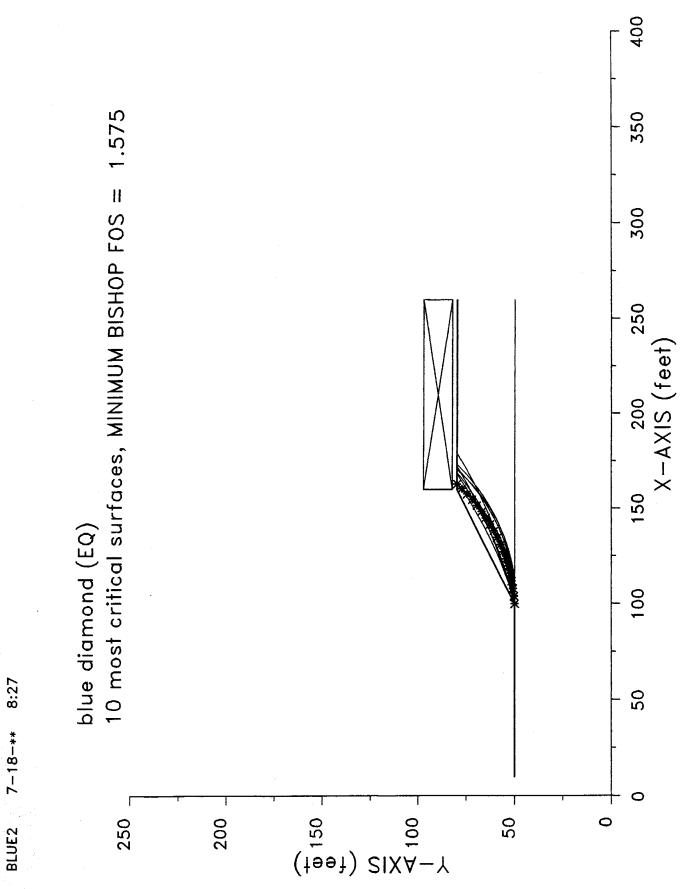
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