



# **SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION AND GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING EVALUTION**

**DeKalb County Fire Station No. 7  
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Dear Ms. Guzman:

Willmer Engineering Inc. (Willmer) is pleased to provide this report of subsurface exploration and geotechnical engineering evaluation for the proposed Fire Station No. 7 project located east of the intersection of Columbia Drive and Peachcrest Road in Decatur, DeKalb County, Georgia. This work was performed for DeKalb County under our Master Services Agreement in general accordance with our proposal dated October 6, 2016. The results of our evaluation and our recommendations are summarized in this report.

This engineering report is divided into five sections. Section 1 contains the project background information and a summary of the objectives and scope of our work. Summaries of the field exploration and laboratory testing programs are provided in Sections 2 and 3, respectively. Section 4 presents regional geologic conditions and subsurface conditions at the site, and the results of our geotechnical engineering evaluations and our recommendations are presented in Section 5.

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to be of service to you on this project. Please contact us if you have any questions concerning this report or require further assistance.

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## Executive Summary

The following summary highlights significant aspects of the project and our conclusions and recommendations. The reader is referred to the report text for detailed descriptions of our geotechnical investigation, analyses, and recommendations.

- The purpose of this project is to build a new Fire Station and associated parking lot areas and driveways in an existing wooded area located east of the intersection of Columbia Drive and Peachcrest Road in Decatur, DeKalb County, Georgia.
- The geotechnical exploration for this project consisted of 10 Standard Penetration Test (SPT) borings, soil sampling, and laboratory tests.
- The subsurface profile at the site generally consists of residuum underlain by partially weathered rock (PWR) and parent bedrock. Auger refusal was encountered at two locations at depths of 11.5 and 40 feet below the existing ground surface. Groundwater was not encountered within the exploration depths of the boreholes during drilling.
- The fire station building can be supported by a system of shallow foundations consisting of spread and strip footings, bearing on existing residuum. An allowable bearing pressure of 3,000 psf is recommended for design.
- In accordance with the procedures and site class definitions described in IBC 2012, the seismic site class for proposed office building is Site Class D, defined as "Stiff Soil".
- We recommend that a CBR of 4 and subgrade reaction modulus value of 190 pci be used for design of pavement.
- We recommend that Willmer Engineering Inc. be retained to provide geotechnical engineering oversight, construction materials testing, and special inspections for the County during construction of the facilities to confirm that the subsurface conditions encountered during construction are consistent with our interpretation based on the results of our geotechnical investigation and that the recommendations provided herein are properly interpreted and implemented.

## **1.0 Introduction**

### **1.1 Project Description and Site Location**

DeKalb County plans to build a new fire station on an undeveloped property east of the intersection of Columbia Drive and Peachcrest Road in Decatur, Georgia. Based on discussions with DeKalb County, the development will include a typical fire station building and associated parking lot areas and driveways; however, a specific building plan has not yet been established. A map showing the location of the site is presented in Figure 1.

### **1.2 Objectives and Scope of Present Work**

The primary objectives of the study reported herein were to obtain geotechnical information and provide recommendations for evaluation of foundation types, assessment of shallow foundations, and pavement subgrade for parking areas and driveways. To achieve these objectives, Willmer performed the following major tasks:

- Review of available topographic maps, aerial photographs, and geologic literature pertaining to the subject site.
- Planning and performance of a field exploration program consisting of: (i) visual inspection of the site to document existing topography and land use, above-ground utilities, accessibility for drilling equipment, and other features relevant to the field exploration work, (ii) coordination with Georgia Utilities Protection Center and a private utility locator for subsurface utility clearance at boring locations, (iii) site clearing for drilling access, (iv) drilling 10 Standard Penetration Test (SPT) borings within the construction limits of the project, (v) undisturbed and bulk sampling from selected soil layers for use in laboratory testing, and (vi) groundwater level measurements at the boring locations.
- Performance of a laboratory testing program consisting of classification and engineering property tests on representative soil samples.
- Compilation and evaluation of the collected field and laboratory test data and selection of engineering properties for use in geotechnical analyses.
- Performance of geotechnical analyses including determination of pavement and foundation design parameters with allowable bearing pressures.
- Preparation of this report summarizing all relevant field and laboratory test data, the results of our analyses and evaluation, and our recommendations for design.

## 2.0 Field Exploration Program

### 2.1 General

A field exploration program was conducted by Willmer to determine the type, strength, and deformation characteristics of *in situ* soils and to assess the groundwater conditions at the site of the proposed development. The field exploration consisted of SPT borings, bulk soil sampling, undisturbed soil sampling, and groundwater table measurements.

The boring locations and termination depths were selected by Willmer based on a template of typical fire station design provided by DeKalb County. A path to the borings was cleared using a D650 bulldozer. The borings were located in the field by Willmer using a handheld GPS device with an accuracy of +/- 10 feet. Existing ground elevations were estimated from Google Earth and should be considered approximate. Subsurface utility clearance at the boring locations was provided by the subscribers of Georgia Utilities Protection Center and a private utility locator. Upon completion of drilling and groundwater depth measurements, the boreholes were backfilled using soil cuttings from the drilling operation.

### 2.2 Standard Penetration Test Borings

The field exploration program consisted of drilling 10 SPT borings (S-1 through S-5 and D-1 through D-5) to depths below ground surface ranging from 10 feet to 40 feet. The locations of the SPT borings are shown in Figure 2.

The borings were drilled using an ATV-mounted rotary drill rig to advance continuous hollow-stem augers. All work was performed under the observation of our geotechnical engineer. The SPT borings were performed in general accordance with ASTM Standard D 1586. The Standard Penetration Test is a widely accepted method for *in situ* testing of soils. A 2-foot long, 2-inch outside-diameter split-barrel sampler attached to the end of a string of drilling rods is driven 18 inches into the ground by successive blows of a 140-pound hammer freely dropping 30 inches. The number of blows needed for each 6 inches of penetration is recorded. The blows required for the first 6 inches of penetration are allowed for seating the sampler into any loose cuttings, and the sum of the blows required for penetration of the second and third 6-inch increments constitutes the penetration resistance or N-value. After the test, the sampler is extracted from the ground and opened to allow visual examination and classification of the retained soil sample. The N-value has been empirically correlated with various soil properties including consistency, relative density, strength, compressibility, and potential for difficult excavation. Correlations between the N-value and the relative density of cohesionless soils (sands) and consistency of cohesive soils (clays/silts) are included in Appendix II.

Results of the SPT borings are summarized in Table 1, and presented in the form of individual boring logs in Appendix I along with a list of the legends used in the boring logs, and a reference sheet describing the Unified Soil Classification System.

### 2.3 Soil Sampling

Soil samples (split-spoon, bulk, and undisturbed samples) obtained during the field exploration program were classified by our geotechnical engineer. The split-spoon samples were obtained from all borings

and collected in plastic bags. Bulk samples were collected in plastic bags from boring S-2 and a location approximately 10 feet north of boring S-4 from depths ranging from 0 to 10 feet. Two undisturbed Shelby tube samples were recovered from borings D-4 and S-2 for possible use in laboratory consolidation testing. Locations of the undisturbed samples are shown on the individual boring logs in Appendix I. The samples were returned to our laboratory for further classification and characterization. Soil classification was performed in general accordance with ASTM D 2487 / D 2488 classification system.

#### **2.4 Groundwater Level Measurement**

Groundwater was not encountered in any of the boreholes during drilling. However, it should be noted that groundwater levels fluctuate due to climactic and seasonal variations, and may be encountered during construction. Groundwater fluctuations as much as 15 feet have been observed in the Atlanta area.



## **3.0 Laboratory Testing**

### **3.1 General**

A laboratory testing program was conducted to determine the engineering properties of soils for use in our analyses and recommendations for the proposed facilities. The laboratory testing program consisted of: (i) a consolidation test on a selected undisturbed soil sample, and (ii) Standard Proctor compaction, natural moisture content, and California Bearing Ratio (CBR) tests on remolded bulk soil samples, and (iii) United Soil Classifications Tests including sieve tests and Atterberg Limits tests on two selected soil samples. All laboratory tests were performed in general accordance with appropriate ASTM standards.

### **3.2 Standard Proctor Compaction and CBR Tests**

The bulk samples obtained from ten feet north of S-4 and boring S-2 (referred to as bulk samples 1 and 2, respectively) were used to perform Standard Proctor compaction tests to determine the compaction characteristics of these soils. Results of these tests are summarized in Table 2. The Standard Proctor maximum dry density values were 98.7 and 110.3 pcf, for bulk samples 1 and 2, respectively. The optimum moisture contents were 17.1% and 15.6%, for bulk samples 1 and 2, respectively. The natural moisture content values of the bulk samples were 6.5% and 7.4%, about 10.6% and 8.2% drier than the optimum values for bulk samples 1 and 2, respectively.

CBR tests were performed on the samples selected for compaction testing to determine the subgrade-support characteristics of these soils. The CBR tests were performed on specimens molded to about 95 percent of the Standard Proctor maximum dry density at a moisture content approximately equal to the optimum moisture content. The resulting CBR values are summarized in Table 2. As shown in Table 2, the CBR values were reported to be 4.3 and 13.2, for bulk samples 1 and 2, respectively. It is noted that the CBR value of 13.2 reported for bulk sample 2 was probably exaggerated due to the presence of rock fragments within the residuum soil.

### **3.3 Consolidation Test**

One consolidation test was performed on an undisturbed soil sample obtained from boring D-4 at a depth of 20 to 22 feet to evaluate the consolidation characteristics of the existing residuum soil. The laboratory data is presented in the form of void ratio and percent strain, and coefficient of consolidation versus effective vertical stress plots in Appendix III. The compression index of the tested soil sample was 0.4; the recompression index was 0.03; and the pre-consolidation pressure was approximately 2.5 kips per square foot (ksf). The coefficient of consolidation for the applicable stress range is about 1.6 ft<sup>2</sup>/day.

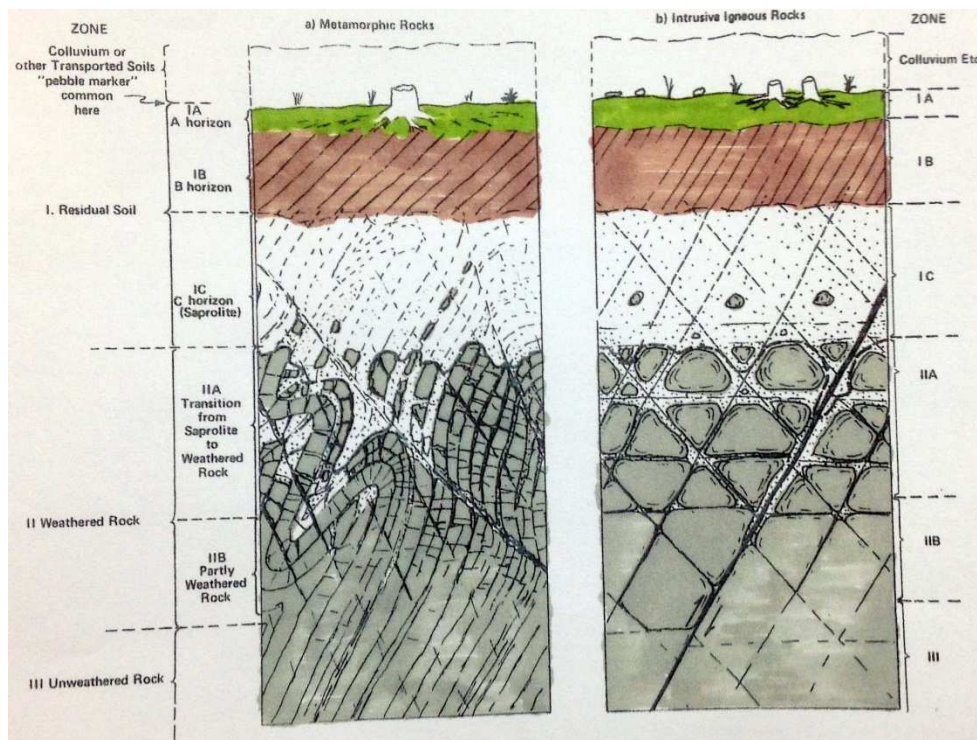
## 4.0 Area Geology and Subsurface Conditions

### 4.1 Area Geology

Based on the USGS Database for the 'Geologic Units of Georgia', the project site is underlain by Biotitic Gneiss / Mica Schist/ Amphibolite formation, located within the Southern Piedmont Physiographic Province of Georgia.

The Piedmont is composed of metamorphic rocks with localized igneous intrusions. The residual overburden soils encountered in the Piedmont are the product of in-situ chemical and physical weathering of the underlying parent rock. Typically, weathering is most advanced near the surface and decreases with depth. Below the residual soils, partially weathered rock is usually encountered as a transition zone to the underlying bedrock. Partially weathered rock (PWR) is locally defined as a material with a Standard Penetration Resistance in excess of 50 blows per 6 inches of penetration.

An important aspect of the Piedmont subsurface profile is that highly variable conditions may exist over relatively short horizontal distances. This is caused by variation in mineral composition of the parent rock and the intensity of fractures and joints within the rock. Zones of partially weathered rock may be encountered within residual soils, and lenses of soil may occur in the rock mass. The subsurface profile may be altered by excavating or filling, or by effects of water through the process of erosion or alluvial deposition. Typical schematic profiles of Piedmont metamorphic rocks and intrusive igneous rocks are depicted in the figure below.



## **4.2 Subsurface Conditions**

Results of the SPT borings are presented in the form of individual boring logs in Appendix I, a summary of the boring records is presented in Table 1, and subsurface profiles obtained from the boring logs are presented in Figure 3, 4, and 5. The stratification lines shown on the boring logs represent our interpretation of the field logs and laboratory test results, in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering practice. The stratification lines represent approximate boundaries between soil types; actual transitions between soil types are expected to be gradual. Although individual test borings are representative of the subsurface conditions at the precise boring locations on the dates shown, they are not necessarily indicative of the subsurface conditions at other locations or at other times. Also, in the absence of foreign substances, it is difficult to distinguish between virgin (undisturbed) residual soils and clean soil fill. However, based on historical USGS topographic maps dating back to 1954, the property appears to be undeveloped. Based on visual classification and historical records, the soil has been characterized to be virgin residual soils.

The subsurface profile at the site can be generally characterized as a natural soil profile consisting of residual soils underlain by partially weathered rock (PWR) then parent bedrock. A generalized discussion of the soil types encountered at the site is presented in the following paragraphs. For the purpose of this discussion, partially weathered rock (PWR) is characterized for engineering purposes as residual soils exhibiting N-values in excess of 50 blows for 6 inches of penetration. Auger refusal is considered indicative of the top of parent bedrock.

### **4.2.1 Topsoil**

Topsoils were encountered at borings D-2, D-3, D-5, S-2, S-3, and S-4 and consisted of brown and black sandy silts with organics. The maximum thickness of topsoil was approximately 1 foot in boring S-3.

### **4.2.2 Residuum**

Residual soils were encountered at all borings and consisted of stiff to very hard sandy silts, medium dense to very dense silty sands, and stiff to very hard sandy fat clay. The maximum thickness of residual soils encountered in the borings was 33.5 feet in boring D-4. The relative density of residual soils varied with SPT N-values ranging from 11 to 66 blows per foot.

### **4.2.3 Partially Weathered Rock**

Partially weathered rock (PWR) was encountered in borings D-1, D-2 and D-4 at depths of 11.5 feet, 29 feet and 33.5 feet, respectively. Lenses of PWR were encountered in borings D-4, S-1, S-2, and S-4, however these blow counts may be exaggerated by rock fragments.

### **4.2.4 Auger Refusal Material**

Two borings were extended to auger refusal. Auger refusal is generally indicative of the top of bedrock. The depth to auger refusal was 40 feet in boring D-4, corresponding to an elevation of approximately 963 feet. Auger refusal was also encountered in boring D-1 at a depth of 11.5 feet, corresponding to an elevation of approximately 989.5 feet.

#### **4.2.5 Groundwater Table**

Groundwater was not encountered in any of the boreholes during drilling. However, it should be noted that groundwater levels fluctuate due to climactic and seasonal variations, and may be encountered during construction. Groundwater fluctuations as much as 15 feet have been observed in the Atlanta area.

## **5.0 Geotechnical Engineering Evaluations and Recommendations**

### **5.1 General**

The geotechnical engineering evaluations and recommendations presented herein are based on the soil boring and laboratory test data gathered during this investigation, our understanding of the proposed design and construction, and our experience with similar site and subsurface conditions. These recommendations were prepared in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering practice for the exclusive use of DeKalb County and their designated consultants for use in the design of the proposed Fire Station No. 7. No other warranty, expressed or implied, is made.

We request that we be advised of any significant changes in the proposed development from that described in this report so that we may amend our recommendations accordingly. In addition, we request the opportunity to review the portions of the project specifications that relate to geotechnical engineering to ensure that our recommendations are properly incorporated.

### **5.2 Site and Subgrade Preparation**

Site and subgrade preparation should begin with the removal of any trees, surface vegetation, organic-laden soil, topsoil, and any other deleterious materials within the proposed construction area. Following the site preparation and excavation to grade for foundations and pavements, the newly exposed subgrade should be evaluated by the project geotechnical engineer. During this evaluation, we recommend that all areas at subgrade level and areas that are to receive structural fill be proof-rolled using a fully loaded tandem axle dump truck (20-ton minimum) or similar rubber-tired vehicle. If soils exhibit excessive deflections or pumping when proof-rolled, an appropriate remedial measure would be recommended by the project geotechnical engineer at that time. Typically, any areas which pump or rut excessively and cannot be densified by continued rolling should be undercut to more stable soils, replaced with new compacted fill, or stabilized using geotextiles or admixtures, if feasible.

If localized undercutting and backfilling becomes necessary during construction, structural fill must be used for backfilling. The structural fill should be free of significant organic matter or debris, have a low to moderate plasticity, uniform composition, and be free of rock fragments greater than three inches in diameter. Soils selected for use as structural fill material should also have a Plasticity Index (PI) less than 30 percent and a Standard Proctor (ASTM D 698) maximum dry density of at least 95 pounds per cubic foot (pcf). Based on the results of our field exploration, it appears that existing residual soils consisting of silty sands and sandy silts are suitable for use as structural fill.

Structural fill, if needed, must be brought to the proposed subgrade elevation by placing and compacting approved fill materials upon a subgrade approved by the geotechnical engineer. Compaction of engineered fill must be accomplished by placing the fill material in vertical lifts of eight inches maximum loose thickness and compacting each lift with a vibratory compactor to a dry density that corresponds to at least 95 percent of the Standard Proctor (ASTM D 698) maximum dry density of the fill soil. The upper 12 inches of structural fill beneath slabs, building footings, pavement and retaining wall foundations should be compacted to 98 percent of this maximum dry density.

In confined areas, such as utility trenches where large compaction equipment cannot be used, portable compaction equipment and the use of a thinner lift (i.e., 4 inches of loose thickness) may be necessary to achieve the specified level of compaction. In addition to the requirement for dry density, the engineered fill must be placed at a moisture content  $\pm 3$  percent of the optimum moisture content, as determined by the Standard Proctor compaction test.

Care must be exercised during grading and fill placement operations. The combination of heavy construction equipment traffic and excess surface moisture can cause pumping and deterioration of the near-surface silty soils. Once wet, these soils hold moisture and are difficult to dry. The severity of this potential problem depends to a great extent on the weather conditions prevailing during construction. The contractor must exercise discretion when selecting equipment sizes and make a concerted effort to control surface water while the subgrade soils are exposed. If such problems do arise, the operations in the affected area must be halted and the geotechnical engineer contacted to evaluate the condition.

### **5.3 Excavation Methods**

No proposed grading plan was available at the time of preparation of this report, however, it is possible that cut and fill may be required for construction. Based on the boring data, site grading in cut areas will mostly require excavation of sandy silt, silty sand, and fat clay. These soils can be excavated with conventional earth-moving equipment.

PWR was encountered in the borings at both shallow (e.g., 4 feet in D-4) and deep (e.g., 29 feet in D-2) depths. If PWR needs to be removed to reach the design grades, PWR and fractured/weathered rock would likely be rippable with equipment such as a D-8 dozer with single ripper claw attachment, or a CAT 330 or equivalent trackhoe. Material that cannot be removed with such equipment may have to be removed with a hydraulic jack hammer attached to a trackhoe.

Auger refusal material (indicative of top of bedrock) was encountered at boring D-4 at a depth of 40 feet below the existing ground surface and at boring D-1 at a depth of 11.5 feet below the existing ground surface. We do not anticipate foundation installation or building construction requiring excavation to auger refusal depth or below. The following definitions can be used to clarify material classification, excavation techniques and required equipment capabilities:

- 1) **Rip Rock:** Any material that cannot be moved by scrapers, loaders, pans, or graders and that requires the use of a single-tooth ripper mounted on a crawler tractor having a minimum draw bar pull rated at not less than 56,000 pounds.
- 2) **Blast Rock (General Excavation):** Any material which cannot be excavated with a single-tooth ripper mounted on a crawler tractor having a minimum draw bar pull rated at not less than 56,000 pounds (Caterpillar D-8K or equivalent) or by a Caterpillar 977 front-end loader or equivalent, and occupying an original volume of at least one cubic yard.
- 3) **Blast Rock (Trench Excavation):** Any material which cannot be excavated with a backhoe having a bucket curling force rated at not less than 25,700 pounds (Caterpillar Model 225 or equivalent), and occupying an original volume of at least one half cubic yard.



In evaluating site grading and excavation requirements, it must be noted that subsurface conditions, particularly the location and elevation of rock, whether in boulders or massive form, can vary erratically in the Piedmont Physiographic Province in which this site is located. Therefore, there is always a possibility that rock may be encountered at shallower depths in unexplored areas. If large boulders or massive rocks are encountered during the grading operations, blasting may be necessary to facilitate removal.

#### **5.4 Drainage and Groundwater Management**

The proposed construction areas must be provided with adequate drainage measures to maintain the integrity of the silty subgrade soils, especially during wet-weather conditions. When free water is allowed to stand on a stable subgrade, the soils can absorb water, soften, swell and experience a reduction in their support capability. Without adequate drainage provisions, site preparation activities during wet-weather periods may result in subgrade conditions that will necessitate undercutting or other subgrade stabilization measures. Therefore, we recommend that the site be graded to provide positive drainage away from the proposed pavement and foundation subgrade areas, and toward suitable drainage handling areas.

Proper drainage of the finished pavements and ground surfaces is also important to maintain the integrity of the subgrade soils after construction is completed. When free water is allowed to infiltrate into a stable subgrade, the soils will absorb water, swell, and experience a reduction in their support capability. Therefore, all finished grades must be sloped to prevent any ponding of surface water adjacent to structures and pavements.

It should be noted that groundwater elevations fluctuate with seasonal and climatic variations and may be different at different times. Groundwater was not encountered in the borings which extended from 10 to 40 feet; however, groundwater level variations as much as 15 feet have been observed in DeKalb County. While no serious dewatering problems are anticipated, some seepage into excavations may be experienced during foundation construction, depending on the seasonal conditions. It is anticipated that this seepage can be handled by pumping from sumps. Groundwater should be maintained at least 2 feet below the bearing level of all footings until concrete is placed.

#### **5.5 Foundation Recommendations**

Based on information provided to us by DeKalb County, the structure will be a one or two floor fire station. No design loads were available at this time, however, based on the Standard Penetration resistances, a bearing pressure of 3,000 psf is recommended for footing design for footings bearing on properly compacted fill or residual soil.

#### **5.6 Seismic Site Classification**

The seismic site class for the proposed structures was determined in accordance with the procedures outlined in Section 1613 of the 2012 International Building Code (IBC). According to the IBC, fire stations are designated as “essential facilities” and are classified in Risk Category IV. The seismic site class is based on soil/rock properties within the top 100 feet below the proposed final grade at the site. The soil/rock properties that can be used in this classification are SPT N-value, shear wave velocity, and/or

undrained shear strength. For this project, the method based on SPT N-value was used in the seismic site classification.

The weighted average N-value within the top 100 feet of the subsurface profile was calculated in accordance with the procedures outlined in Section 20 of ASCE 7-10. Rock was encountered within the top 100 feet at boring D-4 (at 40 feet) and in accordance with ASCE 7-10 guidelines, materials below this depth were assigned an SPT N-value of 100 blows/foot.

In accordance with the site class definitions outlined in Table 20.3-1 of ASCE 7-10, the proposed site was classified as Site Class ‘D’, defined as “Stiff Soil”, based on boring D-4.

As outlined in Section 1613.3 of IBC, the design spectral response acceleration parameters for 0.2-second period and 1-second period were determined based on the site classes described above, the contour maps of maximum considered earthquake ground motion in Figures 1613.3.1(1) and 1613.3.1(2), and the procedures outlined in Sections 1613.3.3 and 1613.3.4 of IBC. The spectral response acceleration parameters along with other seismic design parameters are provided below:

<b>Seismic Design Parameters</b>	
Parameter	Value
Risk Category	IV
Seismic Importance Factor ( $I_e$ )	1.50
Mapped Spectral Response Acceleration Parameter – 0.2 second Period ( $S_s$ )	0.183
Mapped Spectral Response Acceleration Parameter – 1 second Period ( $S_1$ )	0.089
Long-Period Transition Period ( $T_L$ )	12 seconds
Site Class	D
Design Spectral Response Acceleration Parameter – 0.2 second Period ( $S_{DS}$ )	0.195
Design Spectral Response Acceleration Parameter – 1 second Period ( $S_{D1}$ )	0.143
Seismic Design Category	D

A design response spectrum curve constructed using the above acceleration value is presented in Figure 5 for use in seismic design of the proposed fire station structure.

## 5.7 Pavement Design

The soils encountered at the boring locations are suitable for use as pavement subgrade. The subgrade should be prepared in accordance with the ‘Site and Subgrade Preparation’ section of this report. If rock is encountered at or above the bottom of the pavement section, 6 inches of rock below the pavement should be over-excavated and replaced with compacted graded aggregate base (GAB).



The design of a pavement is dependent on the traffic volumes and weights of cars and trucks, and the soil strength which can be related to the Soil Support Value (determined using CBR tests). The CBR values for soil samples compacted to about 95 percent of the Standard Proctor maximum dry density were reported to be 4.3 and 13.2. As mentioned before, the reported CBR value of 13.2 is probably exaggerated due to rock fragments. Based on a database created by the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), the default CBR value for DeKalb County is approximately 3.5. Considering the laboratory test results and the GDOT-established default values, we recommend that a CBR value of 4 and a corresponding subgrade reaction modulus of 190 pci be used for pavement design for this project.

It should be noted that if offsite borrow soils are used for fill, Standard Proctor compaction and classification tests should be performed on the borrow material to ensure that the above design parameters can be achieved.

### **5.8 Geotechnical Engineering Oversight during Construction**

The recommendations provided herein are based on the geotechnical information gathered for the site, our interpretation of the available data, and our experience with similar soils and similar projects in the DeKalb County area. Geotechnical recommendations cannot be considered complete until the geotechnical engineer has the opportunity to confirm the subsurface conditions by performing actual field observations during construction. It is critical that our engineering staff provide inspection during proof-rolling and foundation installations. It is recommended that Willmer be retained to provide geotechnical engineering oversight, construction materials testing, and special inspections during construction to confirm that the recommendations provided herein are properly interpreted and implemented.

## TABLES

**Table 1**  
**Summary of Subsurface Conditions**  
**DeKalb County Fire Station No. 7**  
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Boring Number	Approximate Surface Elevation (feet) <sup>1</sup>	Depth to Top of Layer and Corresponding Elevations (feet)								Termination Depth and Elevation (feet)	
		Topsoil		Residuum		PWR		Auger Refusal			
		Depth	Elevation	Depth	Elevation	Depth	Elevation	Depth	Elevation	Depth	Elevation
D-1	1001	--	--	0	1001	4	997	11.5	989.5	--	--
D-2	1000	0	1000	0.5	1000	29	971	--	--	29.5	970.5
D-3	1004	0	1004	0.5	1003.5	--	--	--	--	30	974
D-4	1003	--	--	0	1003.0	33.5	969.5	40	963	--	--
D-5	1000	0	1000	0.5	999.5	--	--	--	--	30	970
S-1	1001	--	--	0	1001	--	--	--	--	10	991
S-2	1000	0	1000	0.5	999.5	--	--	--	--	30	970
S-3	1001	0	1001	1	1001	--	--	--	--	10	991
S-4	1001	0	1001	0.5	1000.5	--	--	--	--	10	991
S-5	1000	--	--	0	1000	--	--	--	--	10	990

Notes:

1. Surface elevations were estimated with a handheld GPS and Google Earth.
2. PWR - Partially Weathered Rock
3. Lenses of PWR (encountered in D-4, S-1, S-2, and S-4) are not included in this table.

**Table 2**  
**Summary of Standard Proctor Compaction and CBR Test Results**  
**DeKalb Fire Station No. 7**  
**Decatur, DeKalb County, Georgia**  
**Willmer Project No. 71.4175**

Location	Sample Depth (feet)	Soil Description	Natural Moisture Content (%)	Standard Proctor Compaction Test		CBR Test Results	
				Maximum Dry Density (pcf)	Optimum Moisture Content (%)	Compaction (%)	CBR Value (%)
Bulk-1	0 – 3'	Residuum: Red sandy fat CLAY with organics	6.5	98.7	17.1	94.9	4.3
Bulk-2	0 – 10'	Residuum: Brown medium to fine sandy SILT with organics and rock fragments	7.4	110.3	15.6	95.0	13.2 <sup>2</sup>

Notes:

1. CBR = California Bearing Ratio
2. This CBR value may be exaggerated due to the presence of rock fragments within the fill.

## FIGURES



SOURCE: DELORME STREET ATLAS USA 2015

SCALE: 1" = 2000'

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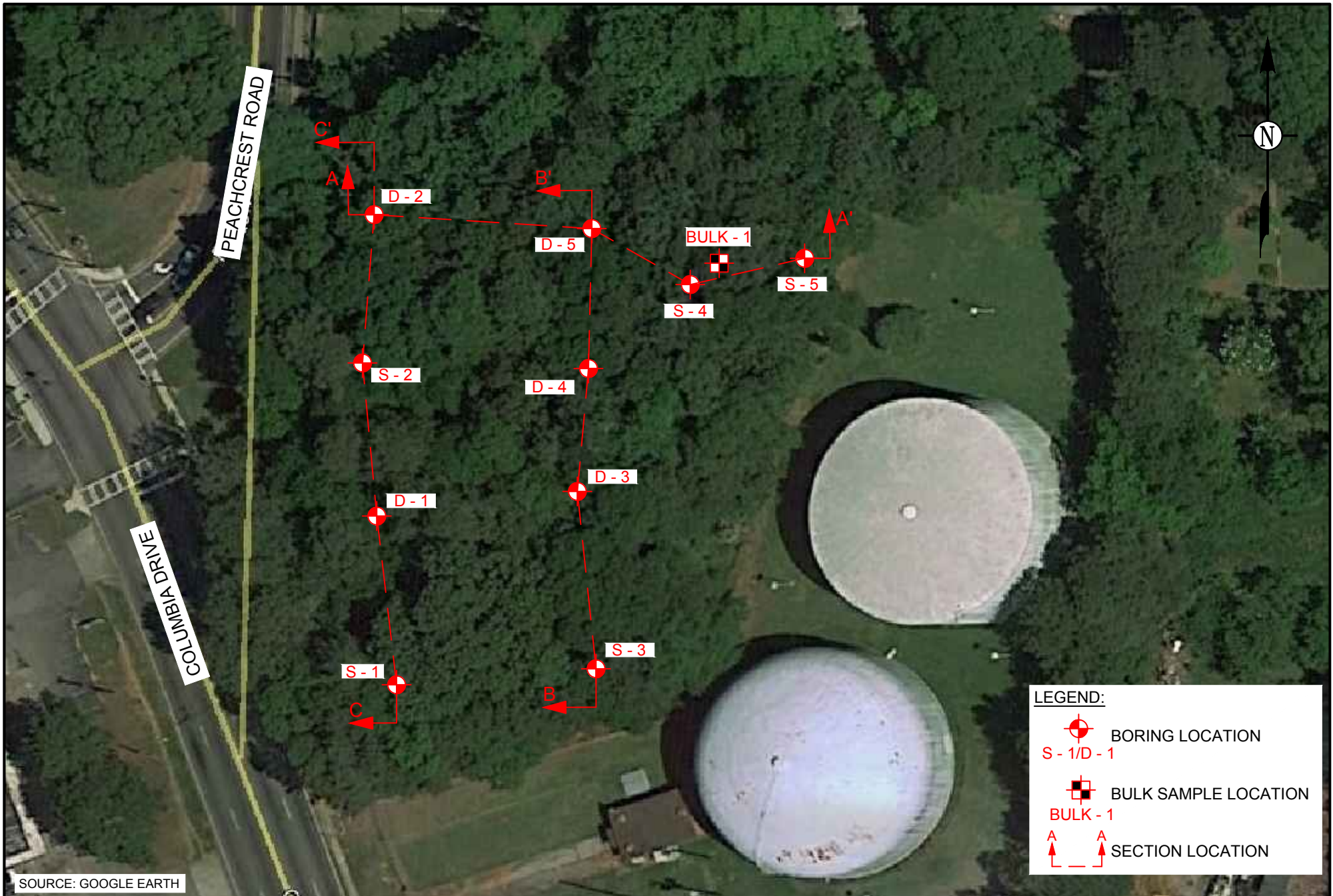
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FIGURE 1  
 PROJECT LOCATION MAP  
 DEKALB COUNTY FIRE STATION No. 7  
 DECATUR, DEKALB COUNTY GEORGIA  
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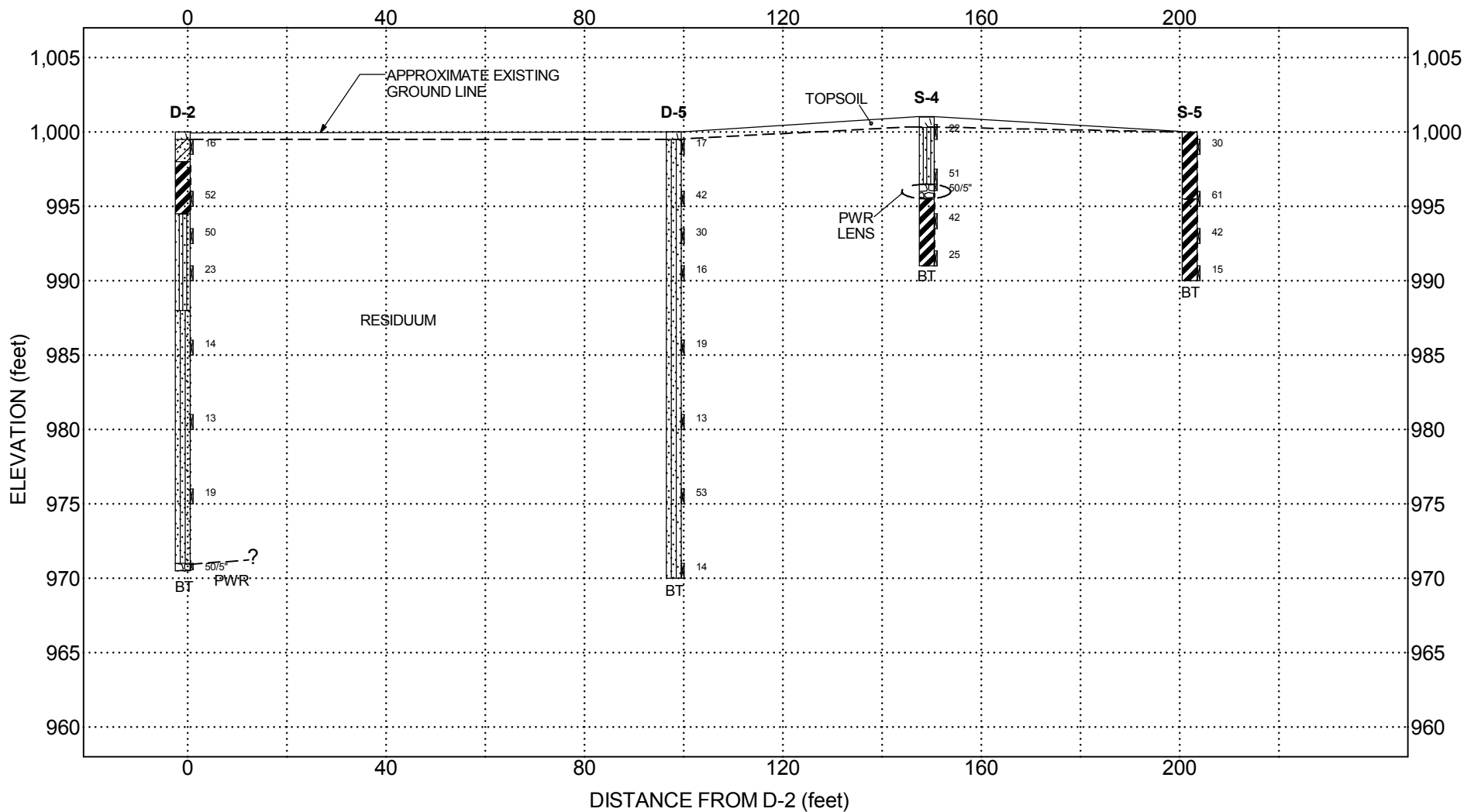
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FIGURE 2  
 BORING LOCATION PLAN  
 DEKALB COUNTY FIRE STATION No. 7  
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**LEGEND:**  
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 BT - Boring Terminated  
 AR - Auger Refusal  
 PWR - Partially Weathered Rock

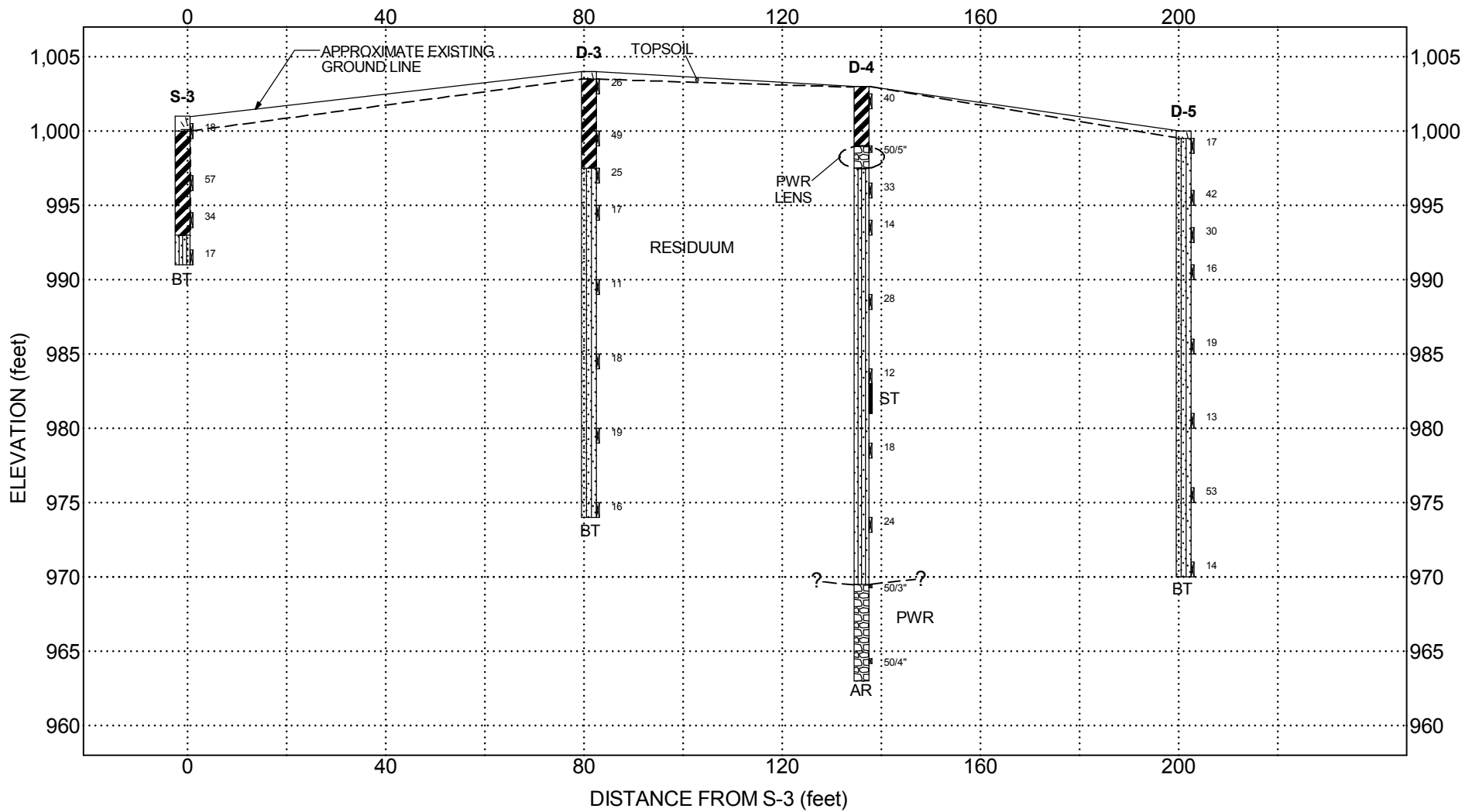
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FIGURE 3  
 SUBSURFACE PROFILE A-A  
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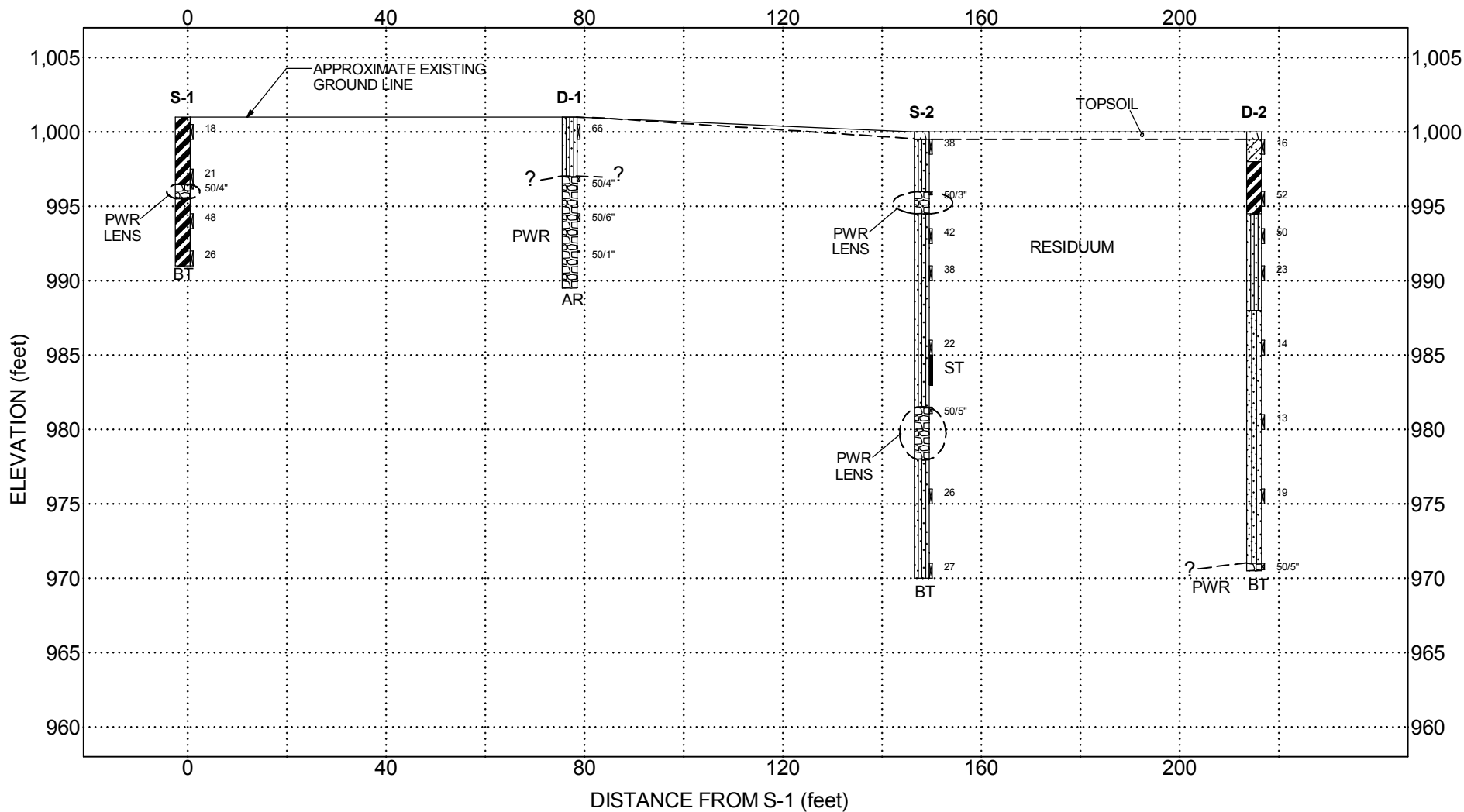
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FIGURE 4  
 SUBSURFACE PROFILE B-B  
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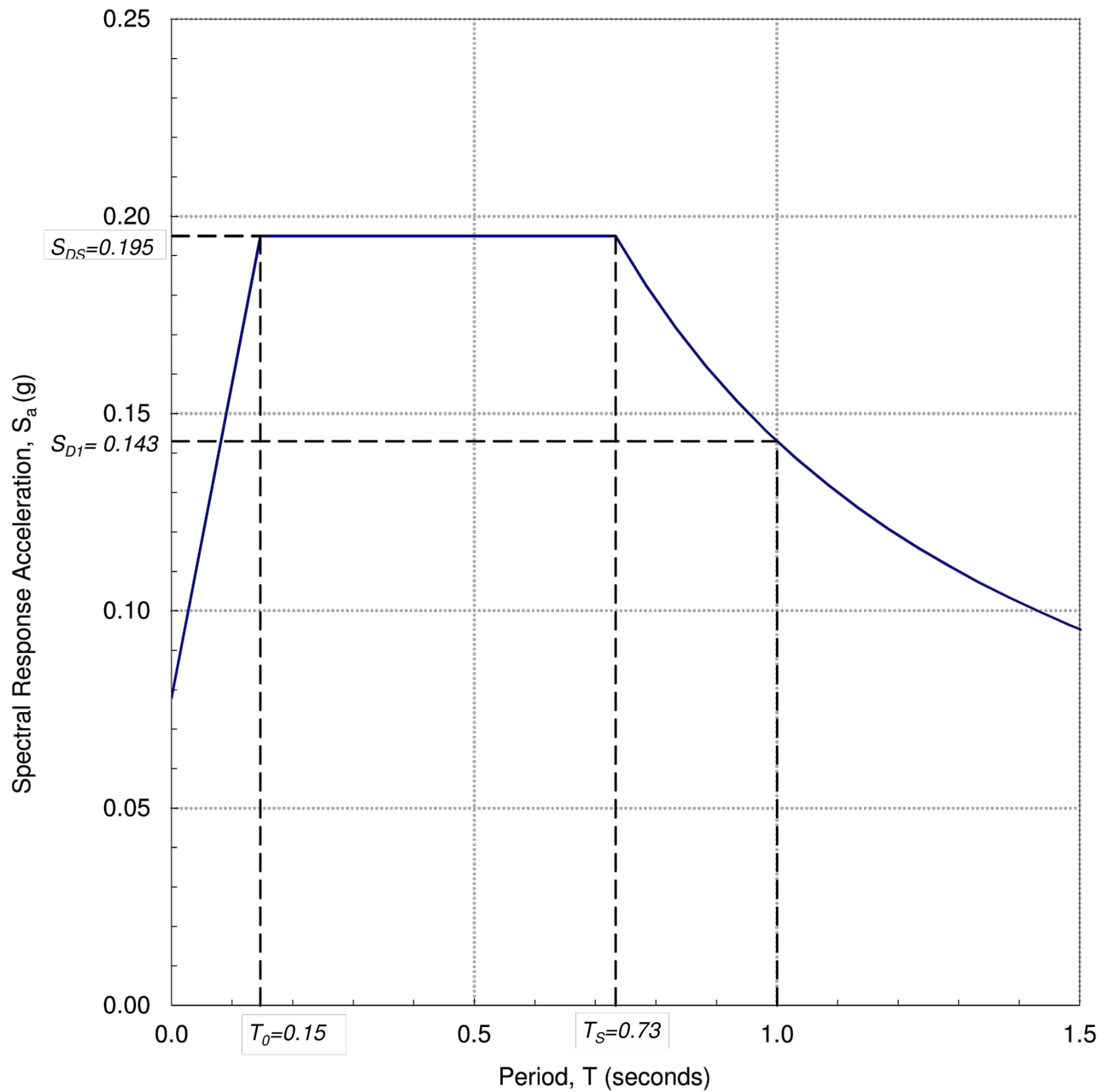
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 PWR - Partially Weathered Rock

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FIGURE 5  
 SUBSURFACE PROFILE C-C  
 DEKALB COUNTY FIRE STATION NO. 7  
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**Design Response Spectrum**

SCALE: NO SCALE

DATE: 11/17/2016

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FIGURE 6  
 DESIGN RESPONSE SPECTRUM  
 DEKALB COUNTY FIRE STATION NO. 7  
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## **APPENDIX I**

# BORING RECORD LEGEND




SM, CL, etc: - GROUP SYMBOL based on Unified Soil Classification System.  
(Refer to ASTM D-2488 and Table 1 of D-2487)

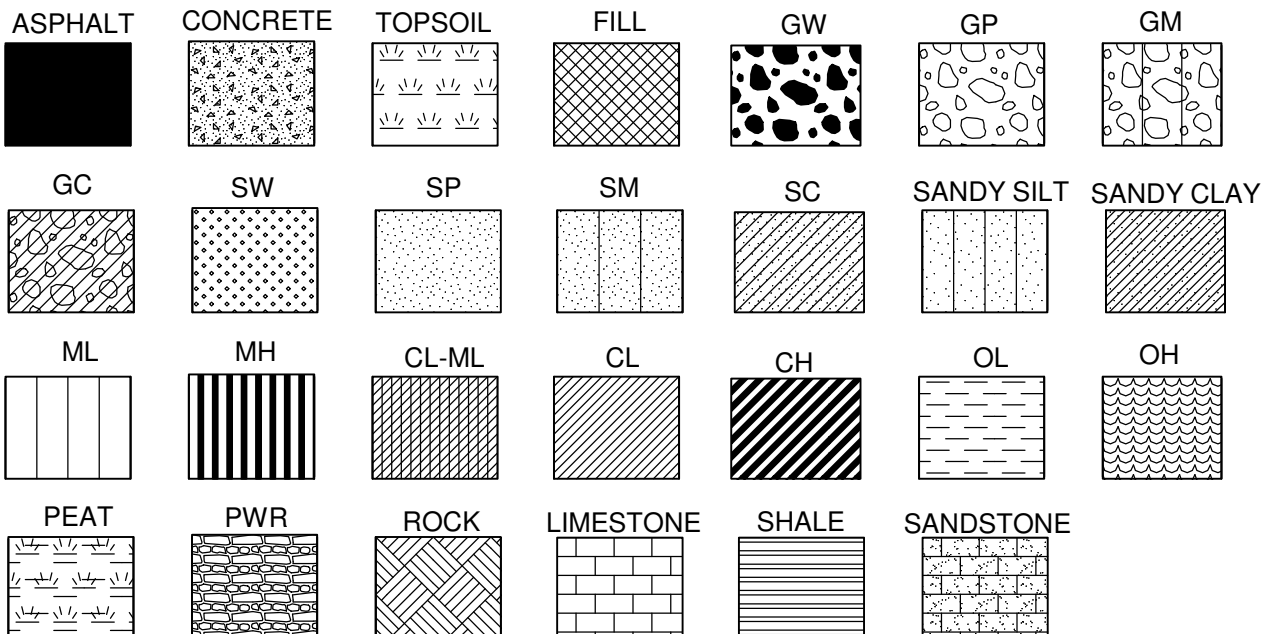
N-VALUE: BLOWS PER FOOT- Standard Penetration Resistance (SPT) blow count ,  
the sum of the second and third 6-inch increments of the SPT test.  
(Refer to ASTM D-1586)

CONSISTENCY / RELATIVE DENSITY Correlated with SPT Blow Count, N:

<u>SILTS AND CLAYS</u>		<u>SANDS</u>	
<u>N</u> (blows per foot)	<u>Consistency</u>	<u>N</u> (blows per foot)	<u>Relative Density</u>
0 - 2	Very Soft	0 - 4	Very Loose
3 - 4	Soft	5 - 10	Loose
5 - 8	Firm	11 - 30	Medium Dense
9 - 15	Stiff	31 - 50	Dense
16 - 30	Very Stiff	> 50	Very Dense
31 - 50	Hard		
> 50	Very Hard		

NOTES:

Groundwater Measurements:  Water level at 24 hours  
 Water level at time of boring  
 Caved level at 24 hours



## UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM REFERENCE SHEET

MAJOR DIVISIONS			LETTER SYMBOL	TYPICAL DESCRIPTIONS
<b>COARSE GRAINED SOILS</b>  MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS <u>LARGER</u> THAN #200 SIEVE SIZE	<b>GRAVEL AND GRAVELLY SOILS</b>  MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE FRACTION <u>RETAINED</u> #4 SIEVE	<b>CLEAN GRAVELS</b> LITTLE OR NO FINES	<b>(GW)</b>	WELL-GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL-SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES
		<b>CLEAN GRAVELS</b> LITTLE OR NO FINES	<b>(GP)</b>	POORLY GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL-SAND MIXTURES, LITTLE OR NO FINES
		<b>GRAVELS WITH FINES</b> APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES	<b>(GM)</b>	SILTY GRAVELS and GRAVEL-SAND-SILT MIXTURES
		<b>GRAVELS WITH FINES</b> APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES	<b>(GC)</b>	CLAYEY GRAVELS and GRAVEL-SAND-CLAY MIXTURES
	<b>SAND AND SANDY SOILS</b>  MORE THAN 50% OF COARSE FRACTION <u>PASSING</u> #4 SIEVE	<b>CLEAN SAND</b> LITTLE OR NO FINES	<b>(SW)</b>	WELL GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SANDS, LITTLE OR NO FINES
		<b>CLEAN SAND</b> LITTLE OR NO FINES	<b>(SP)</b>	POORLY GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SANDS, LITTLE OR NO FINES
		<b>SANDS WITH FINES</b> APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES	<b>(SM)</b>	SILTY SANDS and SAND-SILT MIXTURES
		<b>SANDS WITH FINES</b> APPRECIABLE AMOUNT OF FINES	<b>(SC)</b>	CLAYEY SANDS and SAND-CLAY MIXTURES
<b>FINE GRAINED SOILS</b>  MORE THAN 50% OF MATERIAL IS <u>SMALLER</u> THAN #200 SIEVE SIZE	<b>SILTS AND CLAYS</b>  LIQUID LIMIT <u>LESS</u> THAN 50		<b>(ML)</b>	INORGANIC SILTS AND VERY FINE SANDS, ROCK FLOUR, SILTY OR VERY FINE SANDS OR CLAYEY SILTS WITH SLIGHT PLASTICITY
			<b>(CL)</b>	INORGANIC CLAYS OF LOW TO MEDIUM PLASTICITY, GRAVELLY CLAYS, SANDY CLAYS, SILTY CLAYS, LEAN CLAYS
			<b>(OL)</b>	ORGANIC SILTS AND ORGANIC SILTY CLAYS OF LOW PLASTICITY
	<b>SILTS AND CLAYS</b>  LIQUID LIMIT <u>GREATER</u> THAN 50		<b>(MH)</b>	INORGANIC ELASTIC SILTS, MICACEOUS OR DIATOMACEOUS FINE SANDY OR SILTY SOILS
			<b>(CH)</b>	INORGANIC CLAYS OF HIGH PLASTICITY, FAT CLAYS
			<b>(OH)</b>	ORGANIC CLAYS OF MEDIUM TO HIGH PLASTICITY, ORGANIC SILTS
<b>HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS</b>			<b>(PT)</b>	PEAT, HUMUS, SWAMP SOILS WITH HIGH ORGANIC CONTENTS



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Project Number: <b>71.4175</b>	Location: <b>SEE FIGURE 2</b>

Azimuth: --      Angle from Horizontal: **90**      Surface Elevation (ft): **1001.00**      Station: **N/A**

Drilling Equipment: **D-50**      Drilling Method: **HSA - MANUAL HAMMER**

Core Boxes: **N/A**      Samples: **4**      Overburden (ft): **N/A**      Rock (ft): **N/A**      Total Depth (ft): **11.5**

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VERTICAL DEPTH (ft)	GRAPHIC LOG	SAMPLE TYPE	REC%	RQD %	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	ELEVATION (feet)	STANDARD PENETRATION TEST DATA (blows/foot)						N-VALUE
							5	10	20	40	60	80	
0		SS			RESIDUUM: Very hard brown medium to fine sandy <b>SILT</b> with organics and rock fragments	1001.0							66
5		SS			PARTIALLY WEATHERED ROCK: Sampled as very hard red and brown medium to fine sandy <b>SILT</b>	995							50/4"
5		SS											50/6"
10		SS			Sampled as very dense grey medium to fine <b>SAND</b> with rock fragments	990							50/1"
11.5					Auger refusal was encountered at 11.5 feet below the existing ground surface.								
15					Groundwater was not encountered at the time of boring completion.								
20													
25													
30													
35													
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45													
50													
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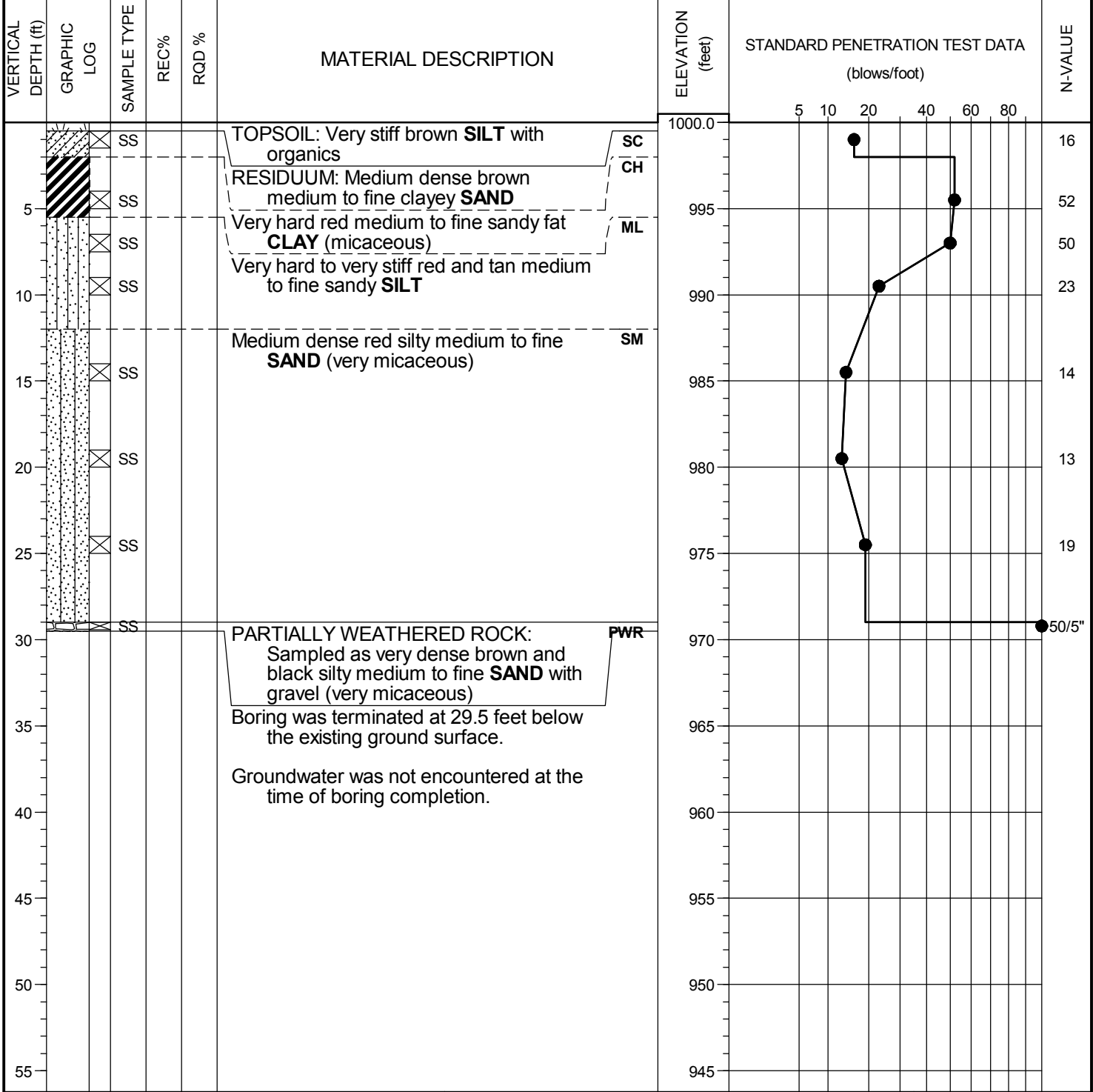
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Azimuth: --      Angle from Horizontal: **90**      Surface Elevation (ft): **1000.00**      Station: **N/A**

Drilling Equipment: **D-50**      Drilling Method: **HSA - MANUAL HAMMER**

Core Boxes: **N/A**      Samples: **8**      Overburden (ft): **N/A**      Rock (ft): **N/A**      Total Depth (ft): **29.5**

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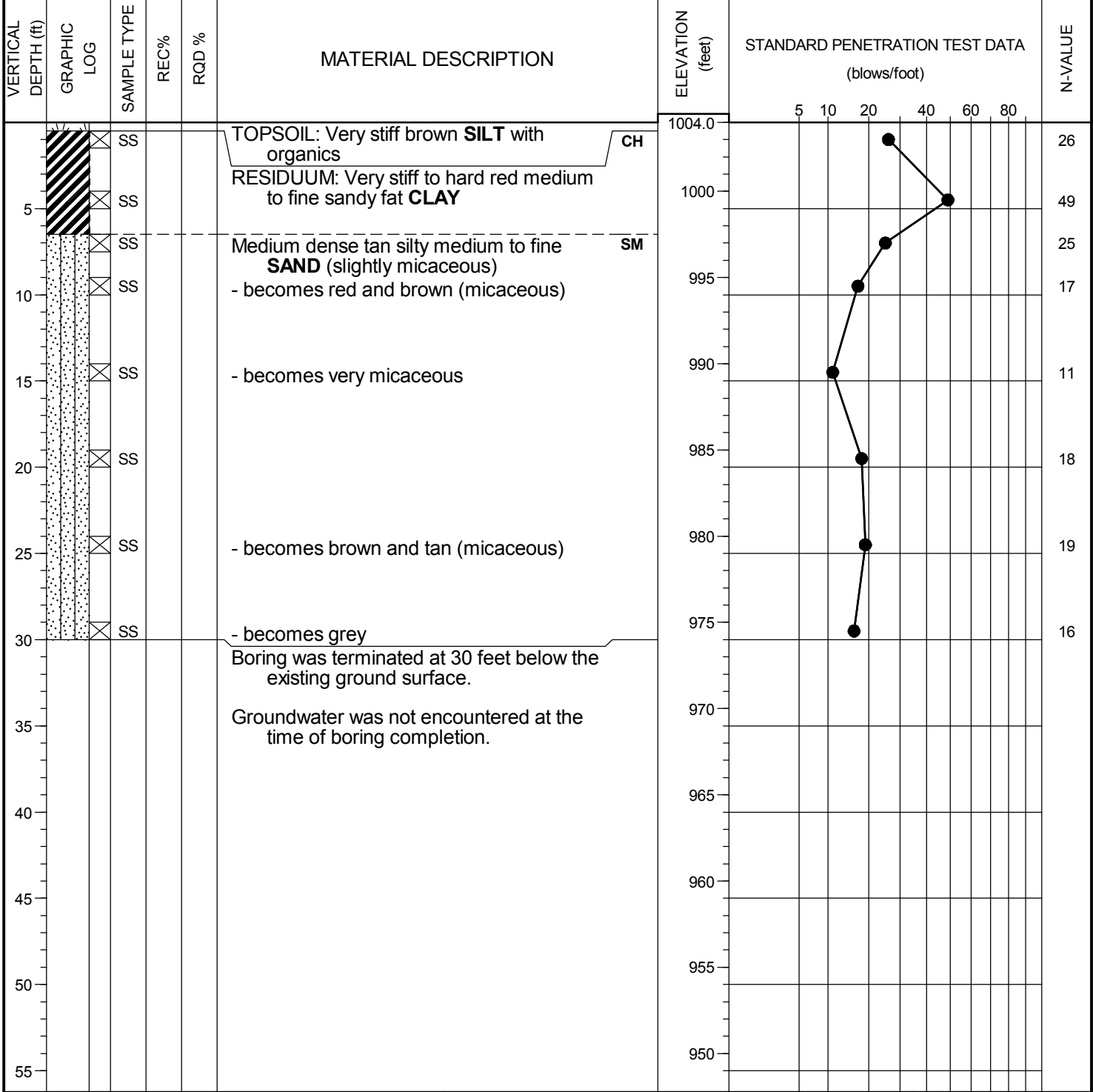
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Drilling Equipment: **D-50**      Drilling Method: **HSA - MANUAL HAMMER**

Core Boxes: **N/A**      Samples: **8**      Overburden (ft): **N/A**      Rock (ft): **N/A**      Total Depth (ft): **30.0**

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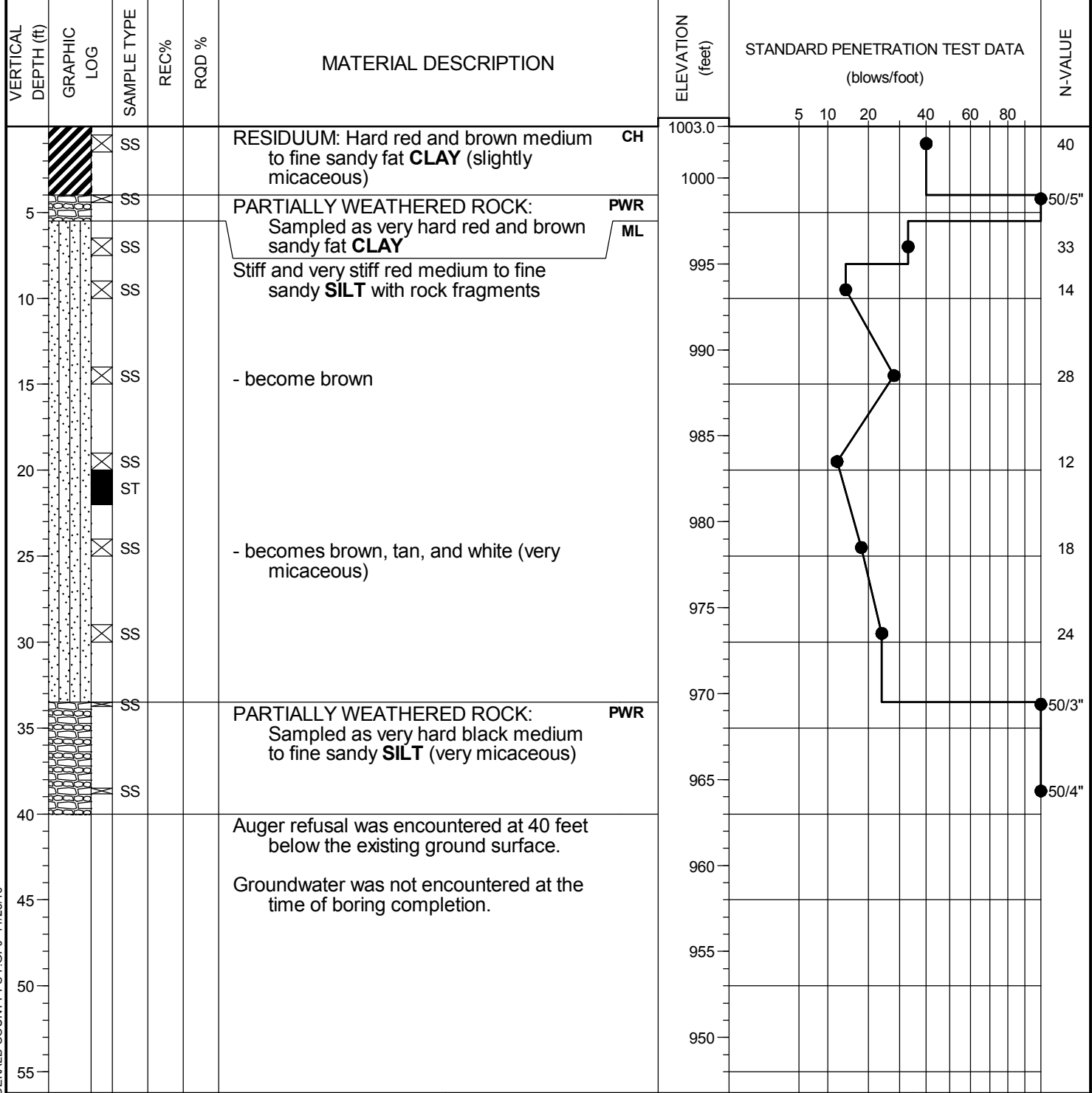
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Azimuth: <b>--</b>	Angle from Horizontal: <b>90</b>	Surface Elevation (ft): <b>1003.00</b>	Station: <b>N/A</b>
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Drilling Equipment: <b>D-50</b>	Drilling Method: <b>HSA - MANUAL HAMMER</b>
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Core Boxes: <b>N/A</b>	Samples: <b>11</b>	Overburden (ft): <b>40</b>	Rock (ft): <b>N/A</b>	Total Depth (ft): <b>40.0</b>
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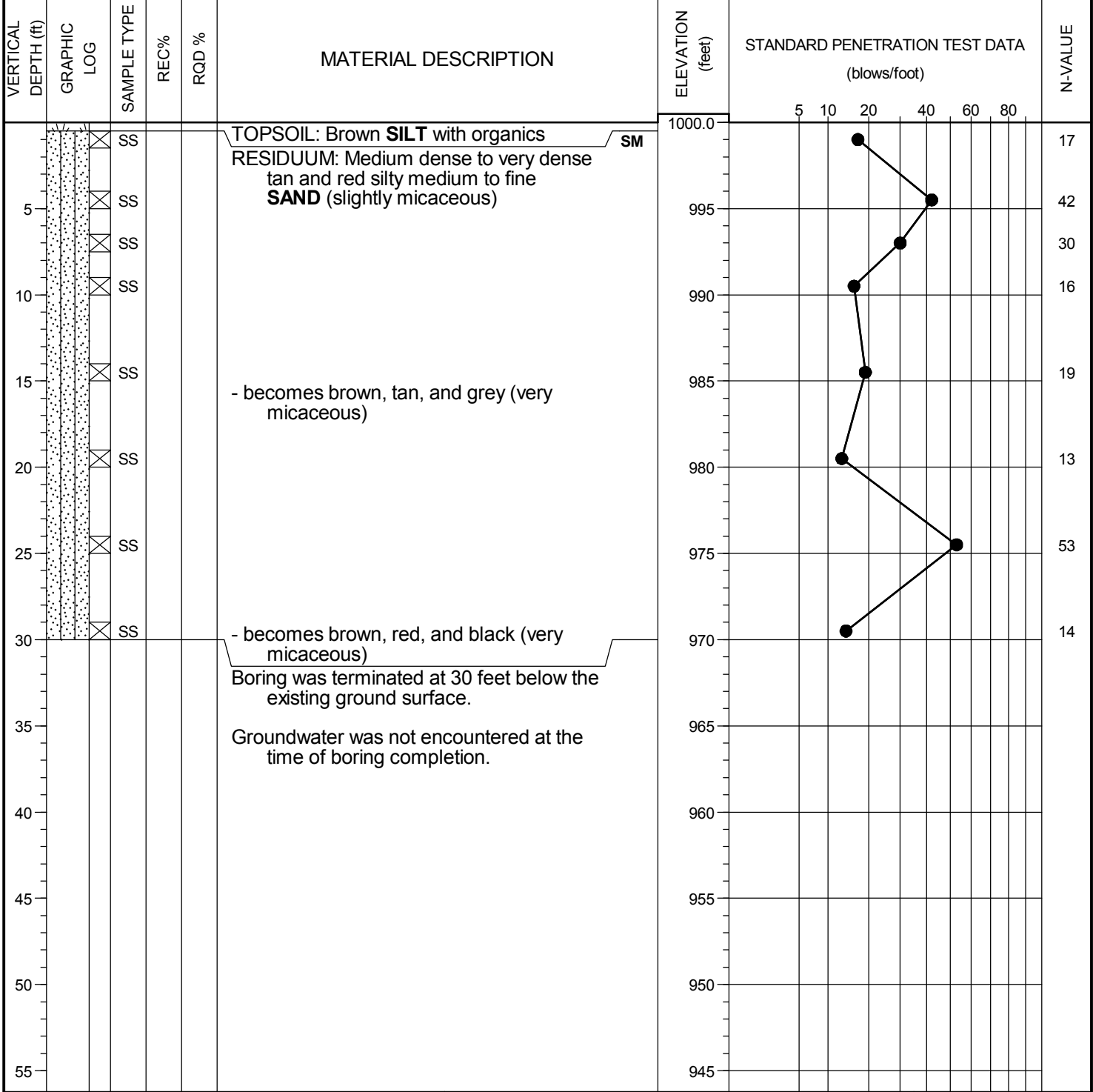
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Azimuth: --      Angle from Horizontal: **90**      Surface Elevation (ft): **1000.00**      Station: **N/A**

Drilling Equipment: **D-50**      Drilling Method: **HSA - MANUAL HAMMER**

Core Boxes: **N/A**      Samples: **8**      Overburden (ft): **N/A**      Rock (ft): **N/A**      Total Depth (ft): **30.0**

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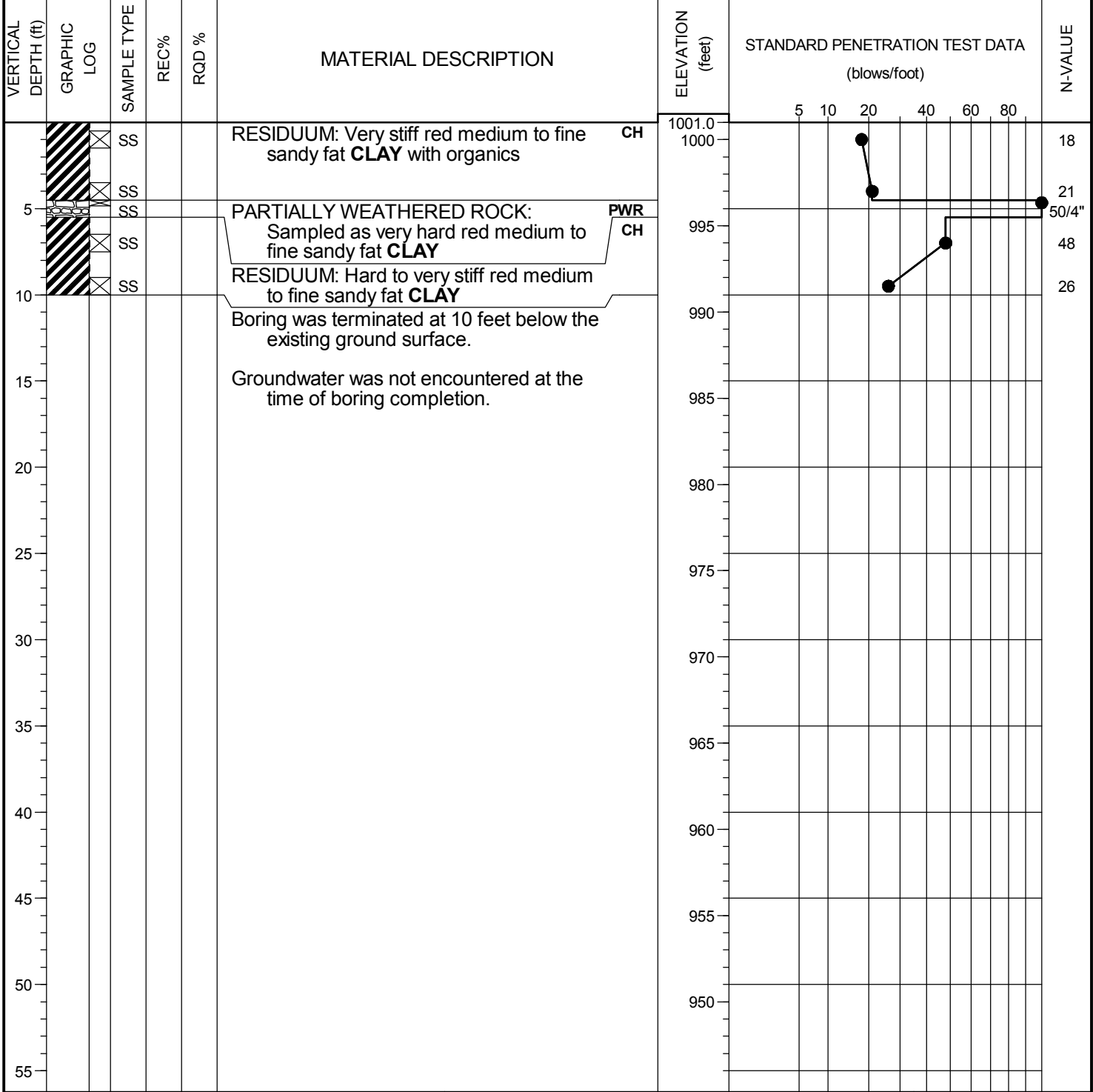
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Drilling Equipment: **D-50**      Drilling Method: **HSA - MANUAL HAMMER**

Core Boxes: **N/A**      Samples: **4**      Overburden (ft): **N/A**      Rock (ft): **N/A**      Total Depth (ft): **10.0**

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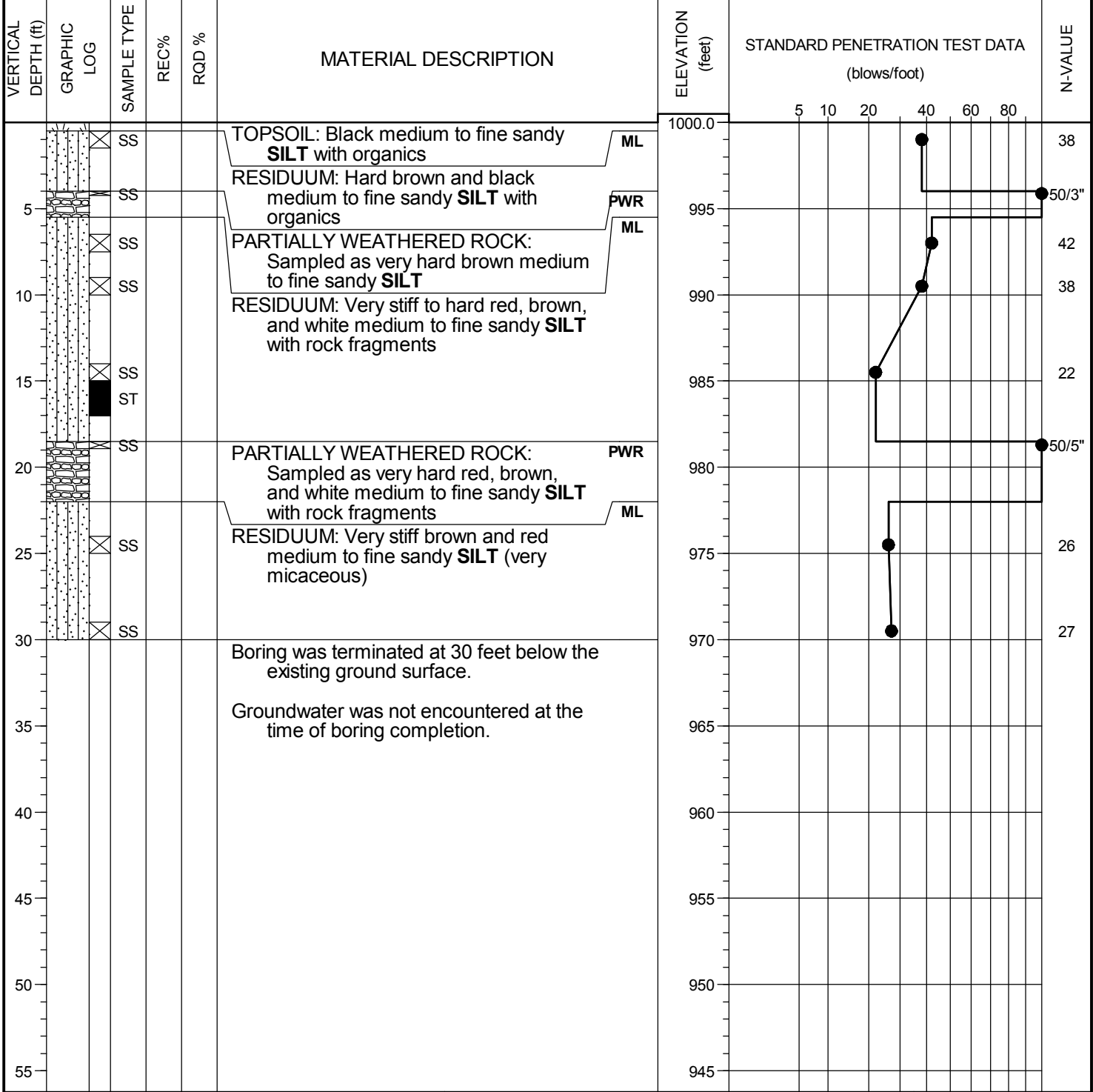
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Azimuth: <b>--</b>	Angle from Horizontal: <b>90</b>	Surface Elevation (ft): <b>1000.00</b>	Station: <b>N/A</b>
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Drilling Equipment: <b>D-50</b>	Drilling Method: <b>HSA - MANUAL HAMMER</b>
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Core Boxes: <b>N/A</b>	Samples: <b>9</b>	Overburden (ft): <b>N/A</b>	Rock (ft): <b>N/A</b>	Total Depth (ft): <b>30.0</b>
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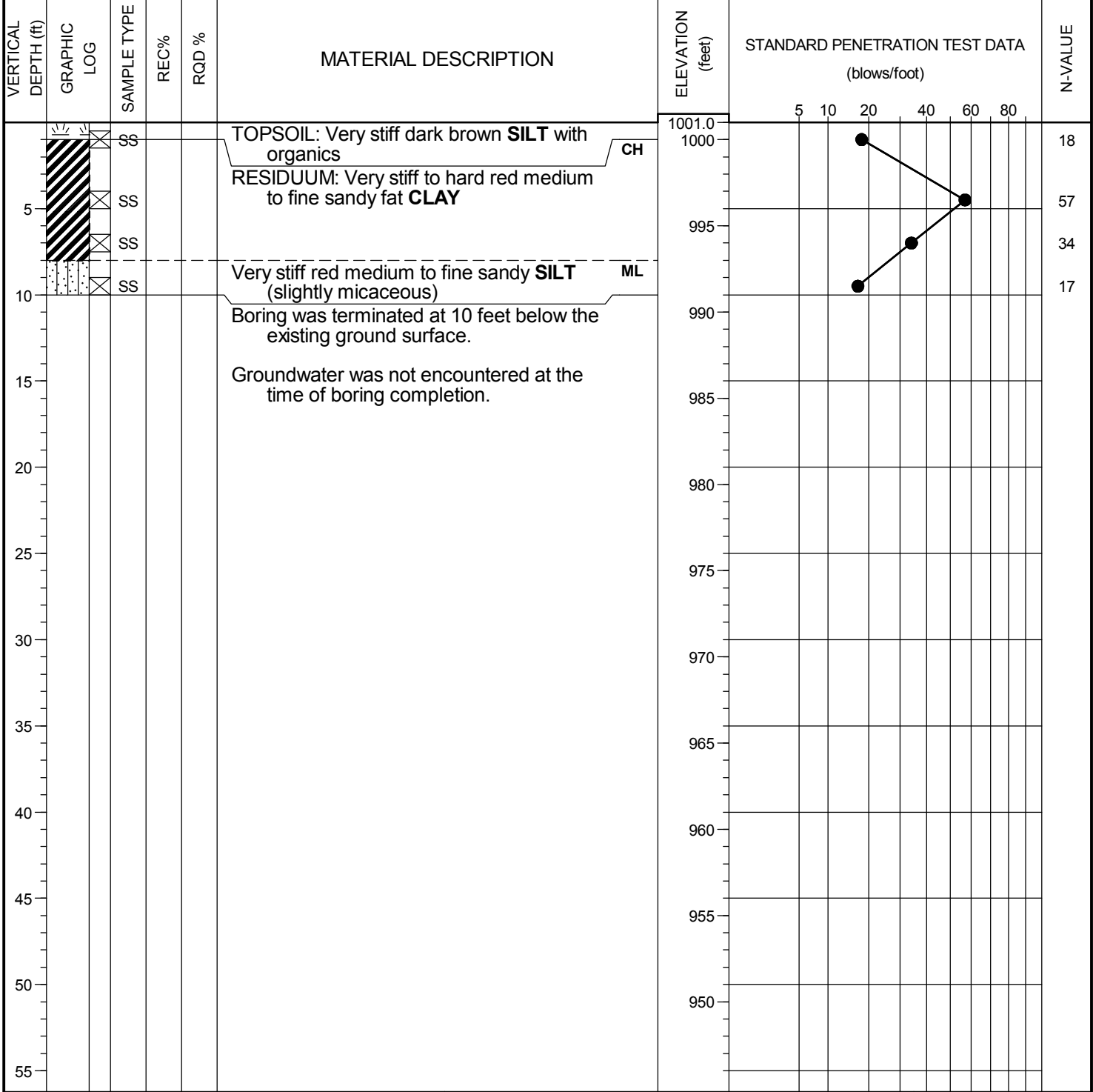
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Drilling Equipment: **D-50** Drilling Method: **HSA - MANUAL HAMMER**

Core Boxes: **N/A** Samples: **4** Overburden (ft): **N/A** Rock (ft): **N/A** Total Depth (ft): **10.0**

Logged By: **JS** Date Drilled: **10/24/16**



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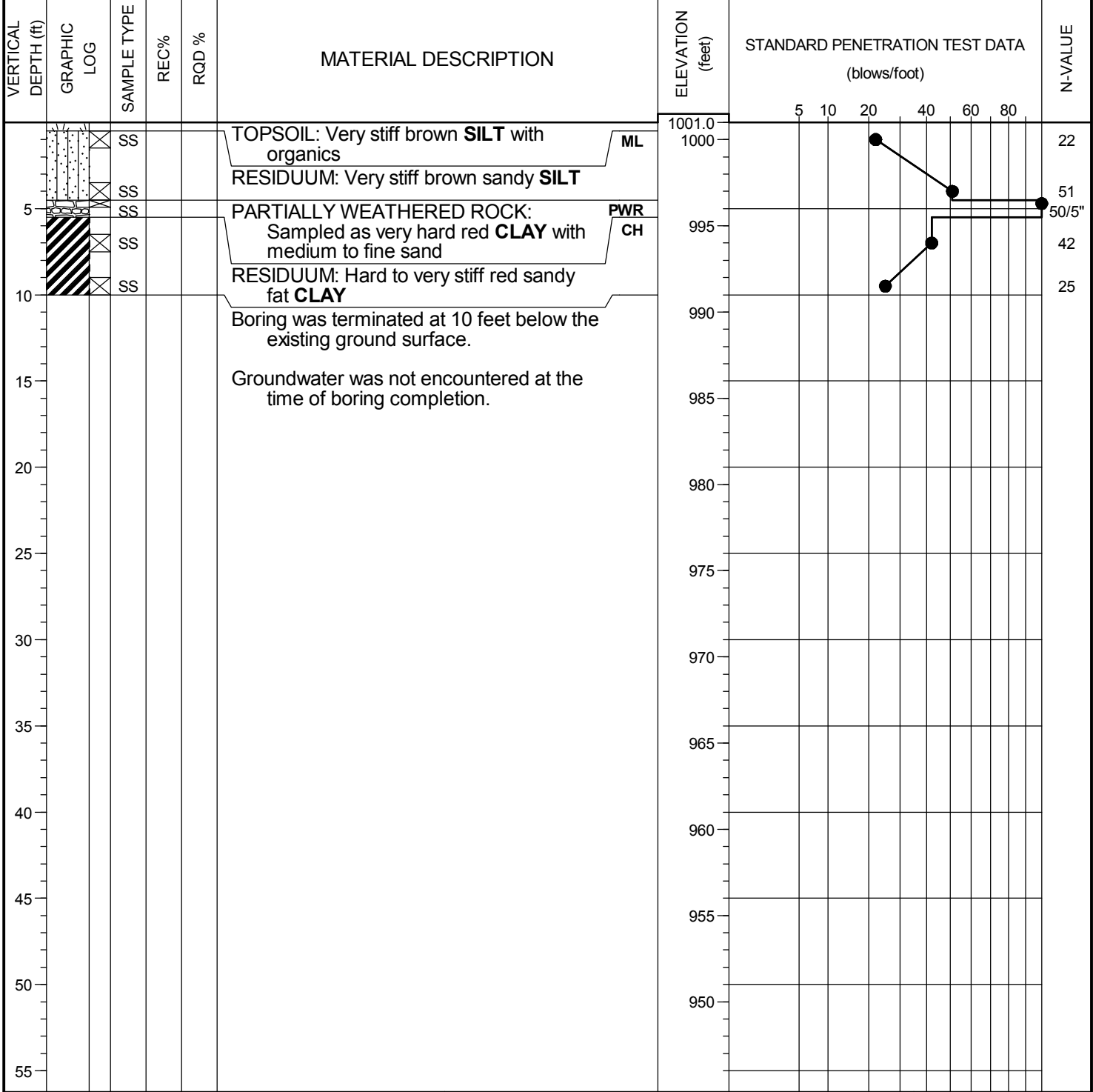
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Drilling Equipment: **D-50** Drilling Method: **HSA - MANUAL HAMMER**

Core Boxes: **N/A** Samples: **4** Overburden (ft): **N/A** Rock (ft): **N/A** Total Depth (ft): **10.0**

Logged By: **JS** Date Drilled: **10/24/16**



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<b>SAMPLER TYPE</b> SS - Split Spoon ST - Shelby Tube NQ - Rock Core, 1-7/8"	NX - Rock Core, 2-1/8" CU - Cuttings CT - Continuous Tube	<b>DRILLING METHOD</b> HSA - Hollow Stem Auger CFA - Continuous Flight Augers DC - Driving Casing	RW - Rotary Wash RC - Rock Core	Hole No. <p style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em;"><b>S-4</b></p>
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Project: <b>DeKalb County Fire Station No. 7</b>		<b>HOLE No. S-5</b>	
Location: <b>Decatur, Dekalb County, Georgia</b>		Sheet 1 of 1	
Project Number: <b>71.4175</b>		Location: <b>SEE FIGURE 2</b>	
Azimuth: <b>--</b>	Angle from Horizontal: <b>90</b>	Surface Elevation (ft): <b>1000.00</b>	Station: <b>N/A</b>
Drilling Equipment: <b>D-50</b>		Drilling Method: <b>HSA - MANUAL HAMMER</b>	
Core Boxes: <b>N/A</b>	Samples: <b>4</b>	Overburden (ft): <b>N/A</b>	Rock (ft): <b>N/A</b>
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Total Depth (ft): <b>10.0</b>			

VERTICAL DEPTH (ft)	GRAPHIC LOG	SAMPLE TYPE	REC%	RQD %	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION	ELEVATION (feet)	STANDARD PENETRATION TEST DATA (blows/foot)	N-VALUE
0					RESIDUUM: Very stiff to very hard reddish brown medium to fine sandy fat <b>CLAY</b> with organics	1000.0		30
5		SS			Very hard to stiff reddish brown medium to fine sandy fat <b>CLAY</b> (micaceous)	995		61
10		SS				990		42
10		SS				985		15
15					Boring was terminated at 10 feet below the existing ground surface.	980		
20					Groundwater was not encountered at the time of boring completion.	975		
25						970		
30						965		
35						960		
40						955		
45						950		
50						945		
55								

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## APPENDIX II



Completed Borehole and Surrounding Area, Boring Location S-1



Drill Rig Set-up, Boring Location S-2





Completed Borehole and Surrounding Area, Boring Location S-3



Close-up of Completed Borehole, Boring Location S-3





Completed Borehole and Surrounding Area, Boring Locations S-4 and Bulk-1



Completed Borehole and Surrounding Area, Boring Location D-1





Close-up of Completed Borehole, Boring Location D-3



Completed Borehole and Surrounding Area, Boring Location D-4





Drill Rig Set-up, Location S-2



Undisturbed Sampling, Location S-2





Completed Borehole and Surrounding Area, Location D-5





Close-up of Completed Borehole, Location D-5

## **APPENDIX III**



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Project Name	DeKalb Fire Station No.7	S. Type	UD
Sample ID	22756/D-4	Depth/Elev.	20-22'
Location	-	Add. Info	-

**ASTM D2435**

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**Sample Data**

	Initial	Final		
Mass of Ring, g	194.73	194.73	Initial Seating Pressure, lbf/ft <sup>2</sup>	100
Mass of Wet Sample and Ring, g	293.98	297.72	Additional Vertical Pressure, lbf/ft <sup>2</sup>	0
Mass of Wet Sample, g	99.25	102.99	Total Seating Pressure, lbf/ft <sup>2</sup>	100
Mass of Dry Sample, g	81.40	81.40	STATION #	2
Height of Sample, in	0.9970	0.8832	Consolidometer Ring ID Number	1
Diameter of Sample, in	2.501	2.501	Consolidometer ID Number	1
Area of Sample, in <sup>2</sup>	4.91	4.91	Frame ID Number	66
Volume of Sample, in <sup>3</sup>	4.90	4.34	Dial Gage ID Number	677
Specific Gravity (Assumed)	2.700	2.700	Initial Dial Gauge Reading, 10 <sup>-4</sup> in	0
Wet Unit Weight, pcf	77.2	90.4	Final Dial Gauge Reading, 10 <sup>-4</sup> in	1138
Dry Unit Weight, pcf	63.3	71.5		
Height of Solids, in	0.3745	0.3745		
Height of Voids, in	0.6225	0.5087		
Height of Water, in	0.2218	0.2682		
Void Ratio	1.662	1.359		
Degree of Saturation, %	35.6	52.7		

**DESCRIPTION**

NA

**Condition of Test:**

1. Damp porous stones w/t filter paper used.
2. Moist paper towel was placed on top of consolidometer to prevent sample from drying.

**USCS (ASTM D2487;2488)**

NA

**REMARKS**

Portion of sample used for testing was located 7" above the bottom of the Shelby tube.

**Moisture Content**

	Trimmings	Initial	Final		
Mass of Wet Sample and Tare, g	410.80	293.98	358.28	LL	-
Mass of Dry Sample and Tare, g	357.10	276.13	336.69	PL	-
Mass of Tare, g	94.80	194.73	255.31	PI	-
Moisture Content, %	20.5	21.9	26.5		





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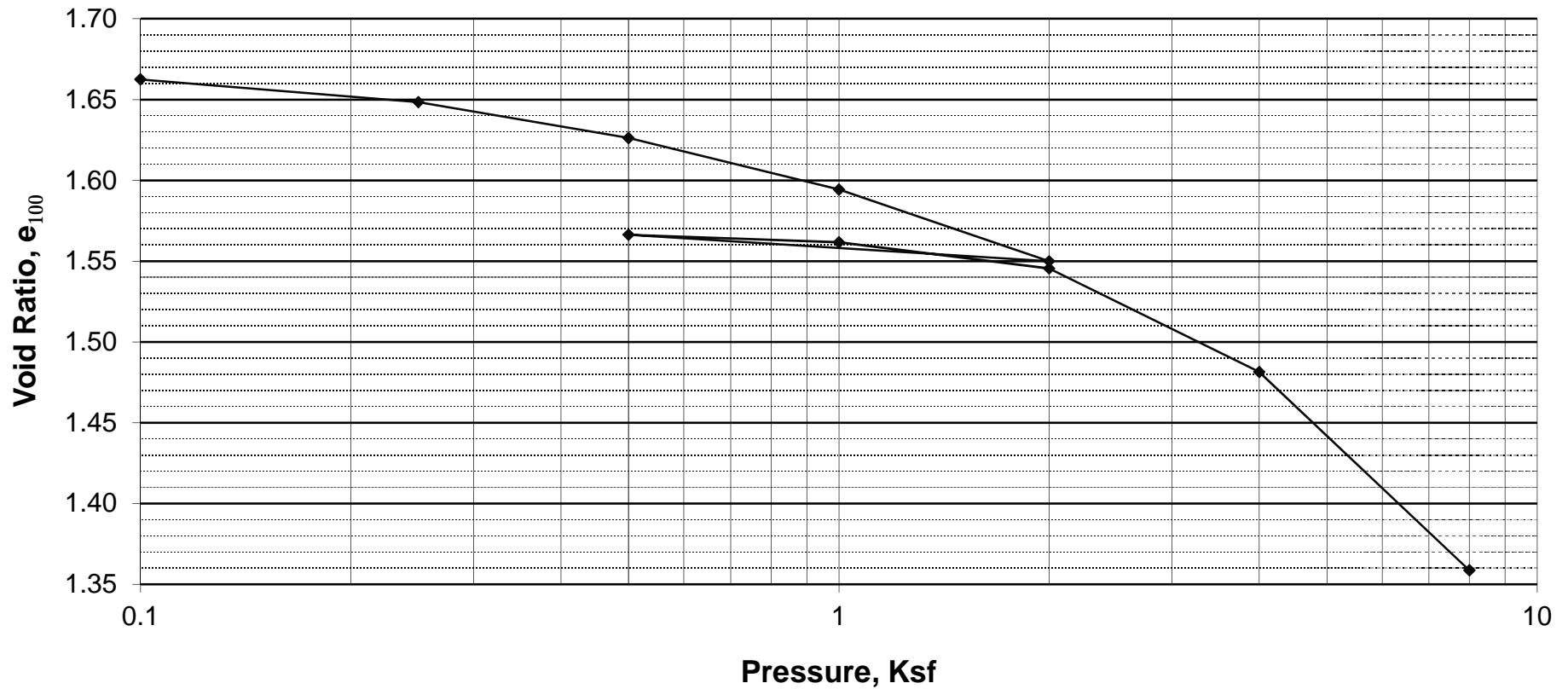


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### Void Ratio vs. Log of Pressure





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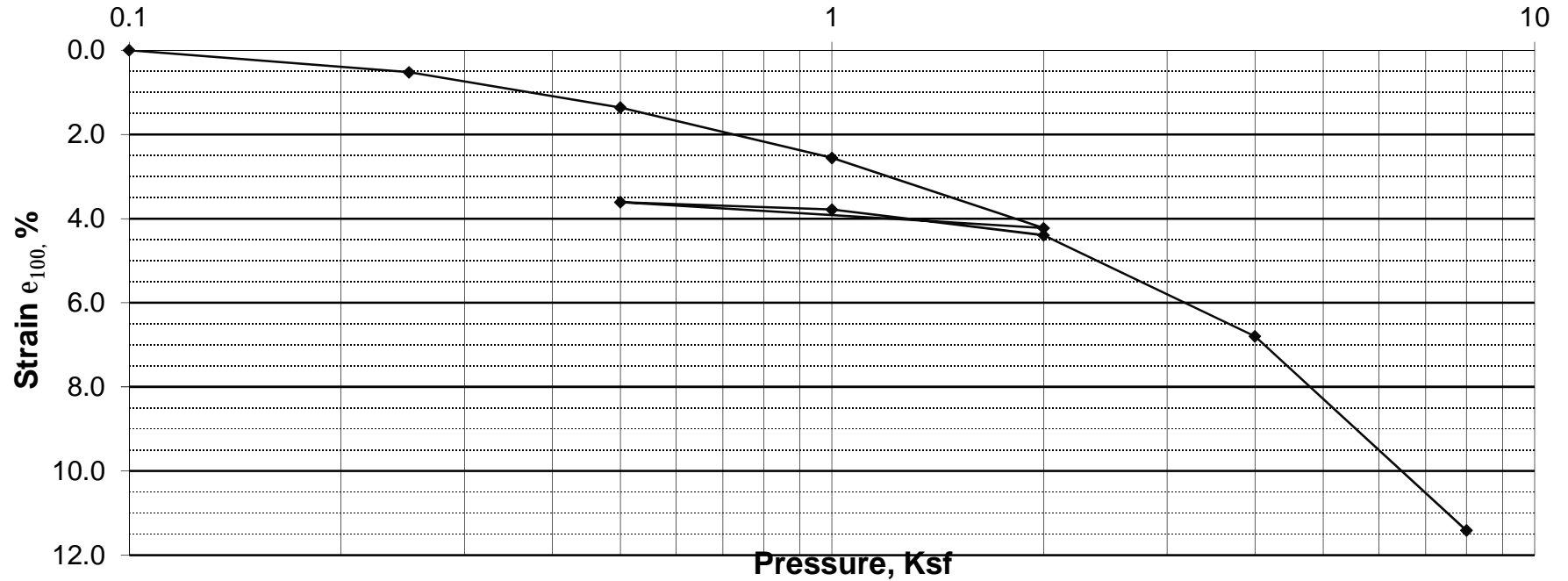
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**Strain at the End-of-Primary Consolidation vs. Log of Pressure**







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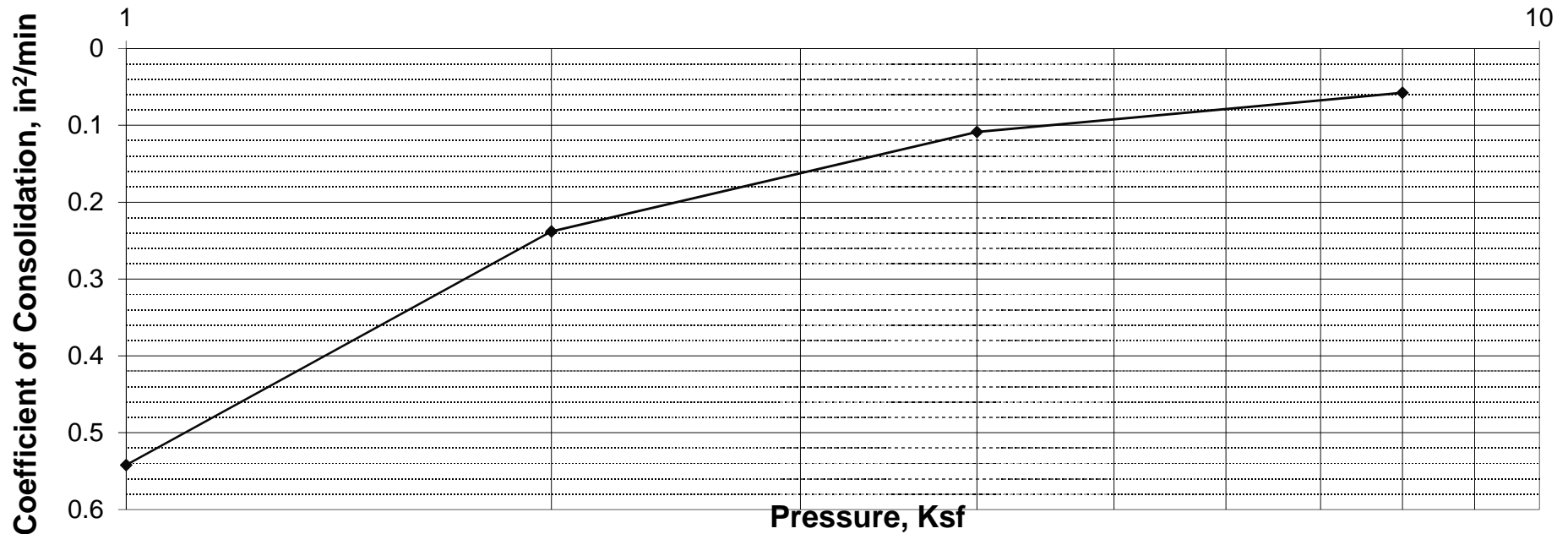


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### Coefficient of Consolidation vs. Log of Pressure





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**STEP # 2**

**Pressure\* on  
Specimen, lbf/ft<sup>2</sup>**

**250**

**Selection 4**

**m<sub>1</sub> 7.62**

**m<sub>2</sub> 6.62**

**X**

**Y**

0

45.80

1

52.42

**d<sub>0</sub> 45.8**

**d<sub>90</sub> 52**

**d<sub>100</sub> 52**

**d<sub>50</sub> 49**

**sq.root t<sub>90</sub> 0.9**

**t<sub>90</sub>, min 0.81**

**sq.root t<sub>50</sub> 0.43**

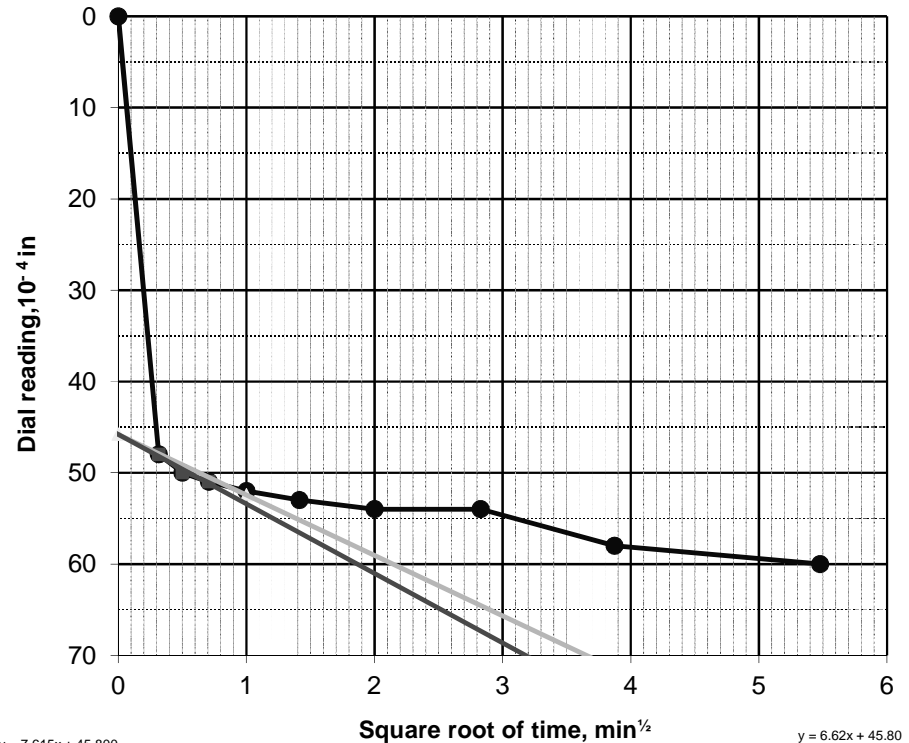
**t<sub>50</sub>, min 0.19**

d=dial gauge reading, 10<sup>-4</sup> in

Note: \* - Reported Pressure is not including seating pressure of 100 psf and possible additional vertical pressure applied to sample to prevent swell. If swell was observed additional vertical pressure is reported on page 1 of report.

Point #	Time, min	Square Root of Time, min <sup>1/2</sup>	Dial Gauge Reading, 10 <sup>-4</sup> in
1	0	0	0
2	0.1	0.32	48
3	0.25	0.50	50
4	0.5	0.71	51
5	1	1.00	52
6	2	1.41	53
7	4	2.00	54
8	8	2.83	54
9	15	3.87	58
10	30	5.48	60
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y = 7.615x + 45.800  
R<sup>2</sup> = 0.950

y = 6.62x + 45.80



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**STEP # 3**

**Pressure\* on  
Specimen, lbf/ft<sup>2</sup>**

**500**

Selection	4
m <sub>1</sub>	12.73
m <sub>2</sub>	11.07

<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>
0	124.20
1	135.27

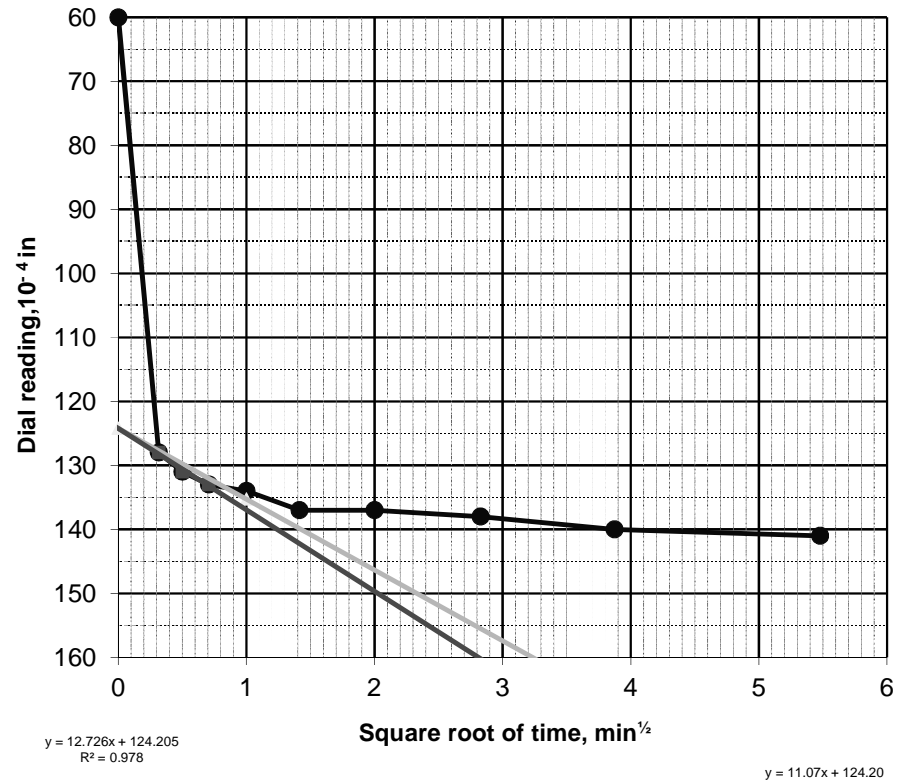
d <sub>0</sub>	124.2
d <sub>90</sub>	135
d <sub>100</sub>	136
d <sub>50</sub>	130
sq.root t <sub>90</sub>	0.95
t <sub>90, min</sub>	0.90
sq.root t <sub>50</sub>	0.46
t <sub>50, min</sub>	0.21

d=dial gauge reading, 10<sup>-4</sup> in

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Point #	Time, min	Square Root of Time, min <sup>1/2</sup>	Dial Gauge Reading, 10 <sup>-4</sup> in
1	0	0	60
2	0.1	0.32	128
3	0.25	0.50	131
4	0.5	0.71	133
5	1	1.00	134
6	2	1.41	137
7	4	2.00	137
8	8	2.83	138
9	15	3.87	140
10	30	5.48	141
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**STEP # 4**

**Pressure\* on  
Specimen, lbf/ft<sup>2</sup>**

**1000**

Selection	4
m <sub>1</sub>	25.45
m <sub>2</sub>	22.13

<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>
0	235.41
1	257.54

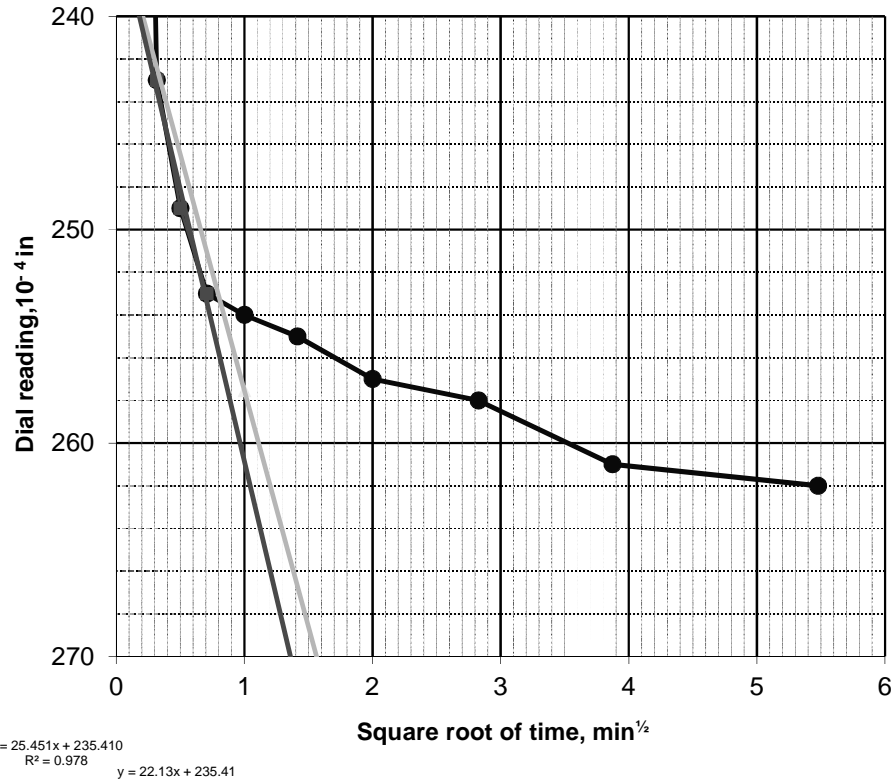
d <sub>0</sub>	235.4
d <sub>90</sub>	253
d <sub>100</sub>	255
d <sub>50</sub>	245
sq.root t <sub>90</sub>	0.8
t <sub>90, min</sub>	0.64
sq.root t <sub>50</sub>	0.39
t <sub>50, min</sub>	0.15

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1	0	0	141
2	0.1	0.32	243
3	0.25	0.50	249
4	0.5	0.71	253
5	1	1.00	254
6	2	1.41	255
7	4	2.00	257
8	8	2.83	258
9	15	3.87	261
10	30	5.48	262
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**STEP # 5**

**Pressure\* on  
Specimen, lbf/ft<sup>2</sup>**

**2000**

Selection	5
m <sub>1</sub>	12.61
m <sub>2</sub>	10.97

<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>
0	407.79
1	418.76

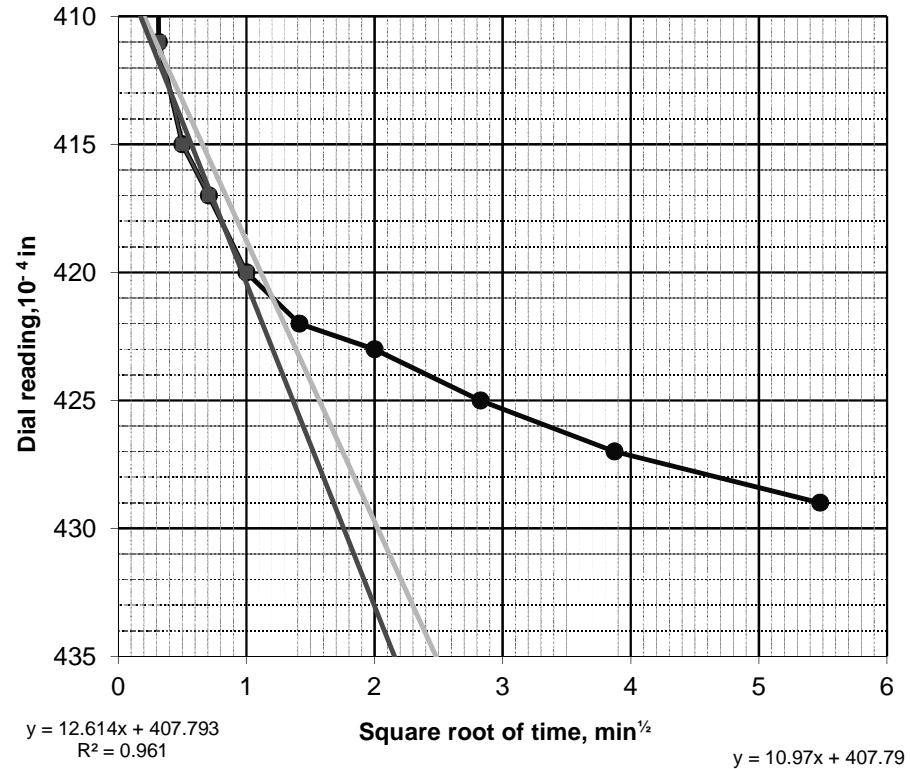
d <sub>0</sub>	407.8
d <sub>90</sub>	420
d <sub>100</sub>	421
d <sub>50</sub>	414
sq.root t <sub>90</sub>	1.1
t <sub>90, min</sub>	1.21
sq.root t <sub>50</sub>	0.53
t <sub>50, min</sub>	0.28

d=dial gauge reading, 10<sup>-4</sup> in

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1	0	0	262
2	0.1	0.32	411
3	0.25	0.50	415
4	0.5	0.71	417
5	1	1.00	420
6	2	1.41	422
7	4	2.00	423
8	8	2.83	425
9	15	3.87	427
10	30	5.48	429
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**STEP # 6**

**Pressure\* on  
Specimen, lbf/ft<sup>2</sup>**

**500**

Selection	4
m <sub>1</sub>	-5.11
m <sub>2</sub>	-4.44

X	Y
0	363.60
1	359.15

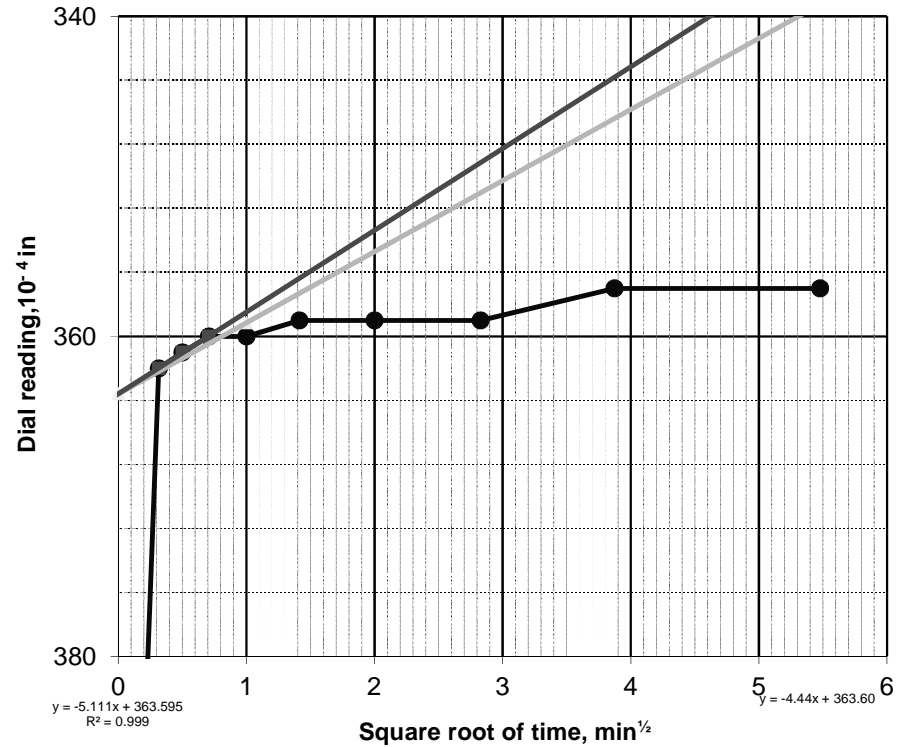
d <sub>0</sub>	363.6
d <sub>90</sub>	360
d <sub>100</sub>	360
d <sub>50</sub>	362
sq.root t <sub>90</sub>	0.8
t <sub>90, min</sub>	0.64
sq.root t <sub>50</sub>	0.39
t <sub>50, min</sub>	0.15

d=dial gauge reading, 10<sup>-4</sup> in

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Point #	Time, min	Square Root of Time, min <sup>1/2</sup>	Dial Gauge Reading, 10 <sup>-4</sup> in
1	0	0	429
2	0.1	0.32	362
3	0.25	0.50	361
4	0.5	0.71	360
5	1	1.00	360
6	2	1.41	359
7	4	2.00	359
8	8	2.83	359
9	15	3.87	357
10	30	5.48	357
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**STEP #** 7

**Pressure\* on  
Specimen, lbf/ft<sup>2</sup>**

**1000**

Selection	3
m <sub>1</sub>	5.44
m <sub>2</sub>	4.73

<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>
0	374.28
1	379.01

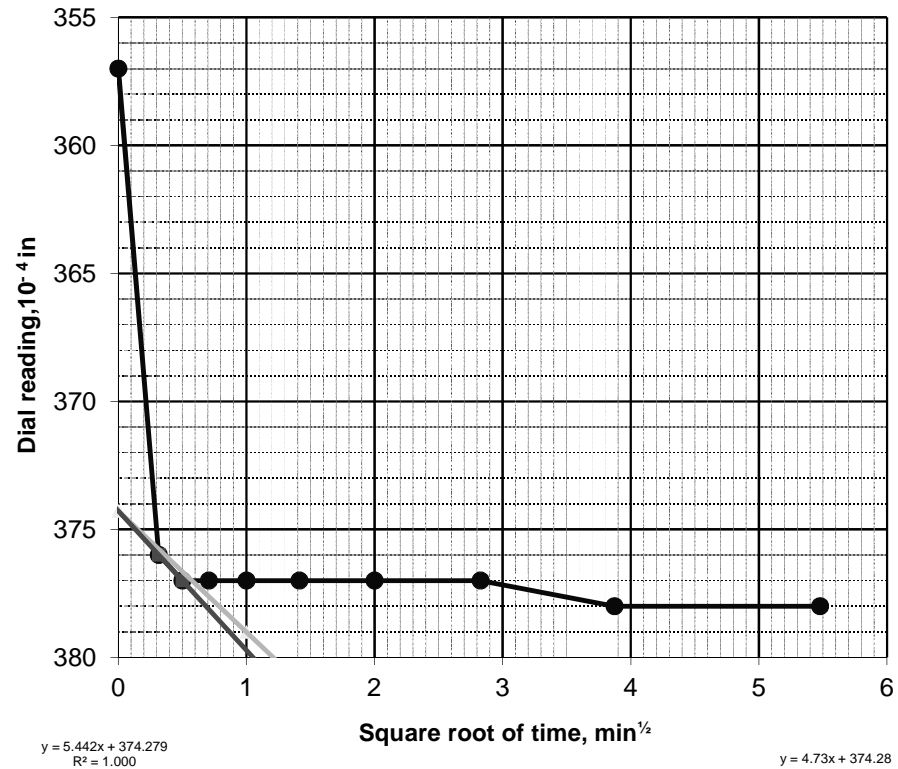
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d <sub>90</sub>	377
d <sub>100</sub>	377
d <sub>50</sub>	376
sq.root t <sub>90</sub>	0.6
t <sub>90, min</sub>	0.36
sq.root t <sub>50</sub>	0.29
t <sub>50, min</sub>	0.08

d=dial gauge reading, 10<sup>-4</sup> in

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1	0	0	357
2	0.1	0.32	376
3	0.25	0.50	377
4	0.5	0.71	377
5	1	1.00	377
6	2	1.41	377
7	4	2.00	377
8	8	2.83	377
9	15	3.87	378
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**STEP # 8**

**Pressure\* on  
Specimen, lbf/ft<sup>2</sup>**

**2000**

Selection	4
m <sub>1</sub>	7.72
m <sub>2</sub>	6.71

<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>
0	431.41
1	438.13

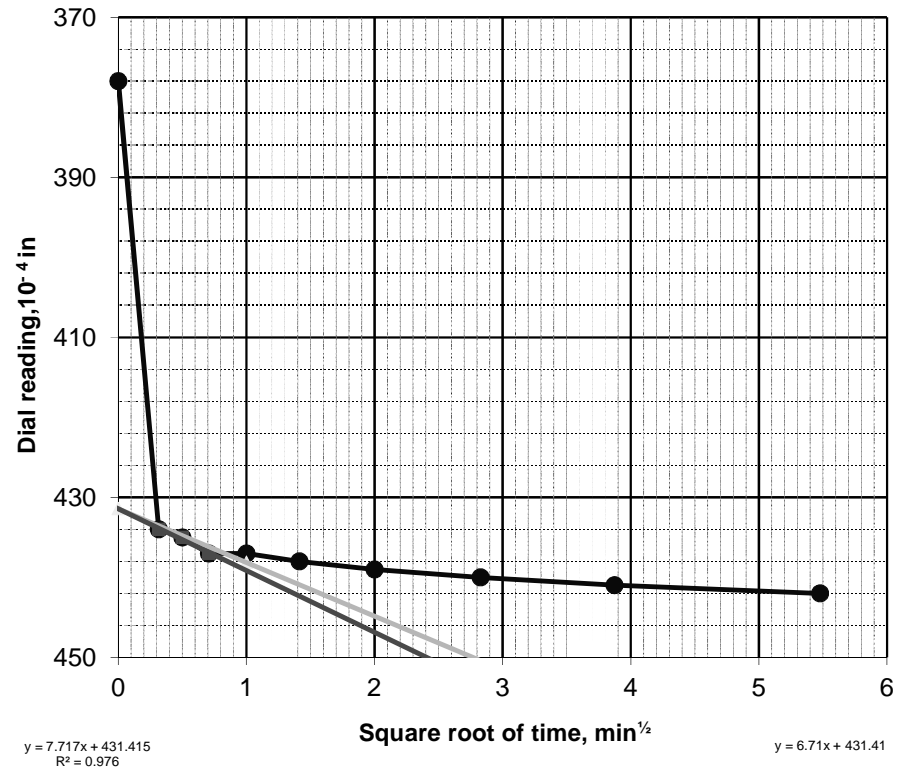
d <sub>0</sub>	431.4
d <sub>90</sub>	437
d <sub>100</sub>	438
d <sub>50</sub>	435
sq.root t <sub>90</sub>	0.9
t <sub>90, min</sub>	0.81
sq.root t <sub>50</sub>	0.43
t <sub>50, min</sub>	0.19

d=dial gauge reading, 10<sup>-4</sup> in

Note: \* - Reported Pressure is not including seating pressure of 100 psf and possible additional vertical pressure applied to sample to prevent swell. If swell was observed additional vertical pressure is reported on page 1 of report.

Point #	Time, min	Square Root of Time, min <sup>1/2</sup>	Dial Gauge Reading, 10 <sup>-4</sup> in
1	0	0	378
2	0.1	0.32	434
3	0.25	0.50	435
4	0.5	0.71	437
5	1	1.00	437
6	2	1.41	438
7	4	2.00	439
8	8	2.83	440
9	15	3.87	441
10	30	5.48	442
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Location	-

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S. Type	UD
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**STEP # 9**

**Pressure\* on  
Specimen, lbf/ft<sup>2</sup>**

**4000**

Selection	5
m <sub>1</sub>	18.71
m <sub>2</sub>	16.27

<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>
0	653.95
1	670.22

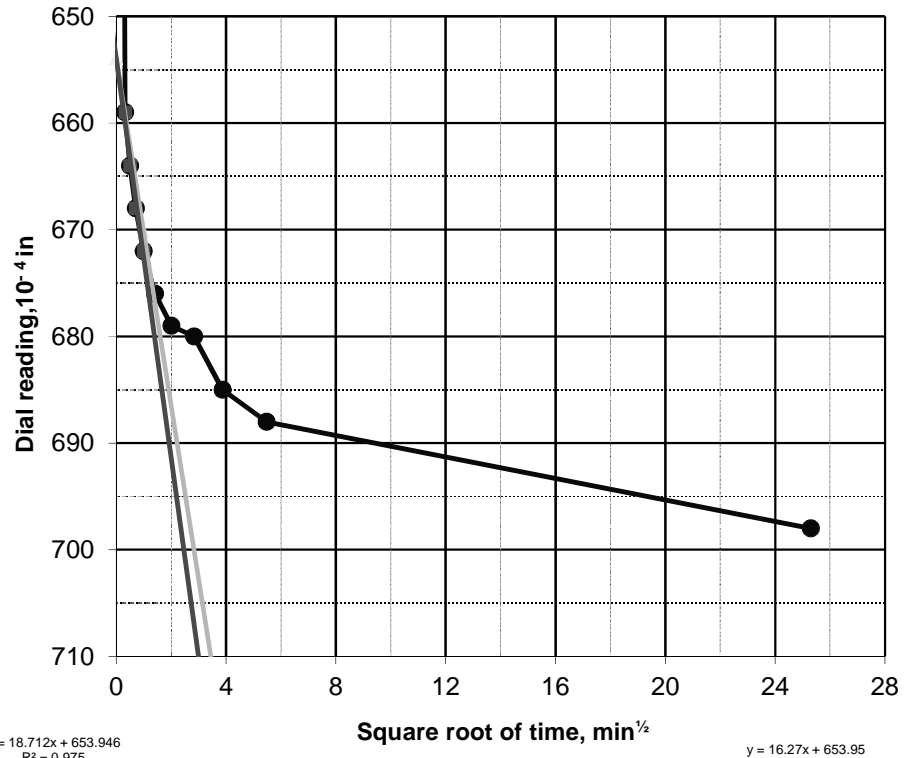
d <sub>0</sub>	653.9
d <sub>90</sub>	675
d <sub>100</sub>	677
d <sub>50</sub>	666
sq.root t <sub>90</sub>	1.3
t <sub>90, min</sub>	1.69
sq.root t <sub>50</sub>	0.63
t <sub>50, min</sub>	0.39

d=dial gauge reading, 10<sup>-4</sup> in

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Point #	Time, min	Square Root of Time, min <sup>1/2</sup>	Dial Gauge Reading, 10 <sup>-4</sup> in
1	0	0	442
2	0.1	0.32	659
3	0.25	0.50	664
4	0.5	0.71	668
5	1	1.00	672
6	2	1.41	676
7	4	2.00	679
8	8	2.83	680
9	15	3.87	685
10	30	5.48	688
11	640	25.30	698
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**STEP # 10**

**Pressure\* on  
Specimen, lbf/ft<sup>2</sup>**

**8000**

Selection	6
m <sub>1</sub>	36.41
m <sub>2</sub>	31.66

<b>X</b>	<b>Y</b>
0	1077.73
1	1109.39

d <sub>0</sub>	1077.7
d <sub>90</sub>	1132
d <sub>100</sub>	1138
d <sub>50</sub>	1108
sq.root t <sub>90</sub>	1.7
t <sub>90, min</sub>	2.89
sq.root t <sub>50</sub>	0.82
t <sub>50, min</sub>	0.67

d=dial gauge reading, 10<sup>-4</sup> in

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1	0	0	699
2	0.1	0.32	1085
3	0.25	0.50	1099
4	0.5	0.71	1105
5	1	1.00	1116
6	2	1.41	1127
7	4	2.00	1136
8	8	2.83	1144
9	15	3.87	1150
10	30	5.48	1158
11	60	7.75	1164
12	120	10.95	1170
13	240	15.49	1176
14	2823	53.13	1198
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