

Reference: Lot boundaries and roadway alignments provided by Taylor Engineering, dated February 13, 2013.

## PROJECT UNDERSTANDING

## Existing Conditions

Lot 10 of Block 2 is part of an approximate 40 acre development called Palouse Business Center, located immediately south of the existing Pullman Regional Hospital in Pullman, Washington. The site was previously used for agriculture. Development on the site established a gently sloping pad (2%); this pad spans both a 5-foot soil cut and an 13-foot structural fill to establish the finished lot subgrade. Cut was excavated and re-used as structural fill during 2013 mass grading; generally placed and compacted between 92 and 95 | Lot 10 development plans may position future construction aspects that intersect with or affect the function of percent of ASTM D1557 (Modified Proctor). Subsurface trench drains were installed through the lower third of Lot 10 to intercept and route groundwater near the structural fill and native soil interface. Groundwater is common in the Palouse where the topography forms draws/swales as was the original configuration for this lot. Subsurface trench drains convey groundwater to the northeast and daylight to the detention facility established in Lot 3 Block 3.

## **Proposed Construction**

We anticipate the future construction of 1 to 2 story, commercial office-type structures that will generate light (2) structural loads (20-30 kips per column; 2-3 kips per lineal foot along walls) with no below grade spaces. At this time, we anticipate these loads will be planned to be supported by conventional spread footings bearing directly on structural fill or native soil. Based on our current understanding of the planned development, it is unlikely October 4, 2012, and the latest version of the following ASTM International (ASTM) standards, American deep or intermediate foundation support systems will be required unless heavy (>50 kip) column loads are planned. Access drives and parking areas are anticipated to be constructed during construction activities. Utilities such as City water and sewer and franchise services were installed as part of the initial lot development and are stubbed into the lot.

Stormwater from each Lot will be temporarily collected on-site and routed to a detention pond constructed along the Business Center's eastern boundary. The detention pond has been constructed with dual purpose; to incorporate a park-like setting and to control stormwater from lots as they are developed with impervious areas. This project aspect will include a water feature, pedestrian pathway, and stormwater management facilities to discharge water at pre-development rates. Lot specific, civil stormwater, bioinfiltration, and drainage design must be performed and take into account the site surface and subsurface conditions outlined herein.

It is important for future Lot specific site development, specifically for foundation performance, that STRATA be afforded the opportunity to review planned structures relative to foundation design, additional planned earthwork, and configuration in order to estimate settlement and verify the preliminary allowable bearing pressure discussed herein. This is also a City of Pullman requirement during earthwork and foundation plan

## Subsurface Conditions

Lot 10, Block 2 subgrade soil consists of native loess soil and loess mined from on-site and recompacted as structural fill. Lot 10, Block 2 is situated with soil cuts along the south lot boundary and structural fill elsewhere, with the transition extending in a east west fashion near lower third of the lot (see Sheet G4). Beneath the structural fill or at the ground surface of soil cuts, native clay loess was encountered in TP-33, TP-36, and TP-37, comprising reddish brown, very stiff and moist soil conditions. TP-33, TP-36, and TP-37 were terminated in the native clay loess between 10.5 and 11 feet below the original ground surface. Bedrock, was not encountered during exploration for this lot. Groundwater seeps were observed in TP-33 during exploration, which were also realized and intercepted by trench drains during construction. Groundwater was not encountered in the remaining explorations for this lot.

The Developer has installed a temporary surface drain along the north boundary of this lot to collect and route stormwater from the completed pad. The drain is connected to a small catchment basin located in Lot 12, Block 2. The temporary drain structures may be replaced by plans that individual lot developers implement specific to

installed subsurface trench drains and drain tile. Subsurface trench drains are critical aspects for long term lot performance and must be protected or rerouted. Potential conflicts must be addressed during planning, design, and construction phases of lot development to accommodate for conveyance of groundwater seepage around, through or into site stormwater facilities during construction. Approximate subsurface trench drain locations are shown on sheet G4.

their planned lot developments and permanent stormwater needs designed to address surface water runoff.

## **REFERENCES**

The field investigation and laboratory testing are based upon the originally authorized geotechnical scope dated Concrete Institute (ACI), Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and other reference standards listed below:

#### Field Exploration D5434

- Guide for field logging of subsurface explorations of soil and rock
- Test method for classification of soils for engineering purposes (USCS) D2488 Practice for description & identification of soil (Visual-manual procedure)

## Laboratory Investigatio

 D2216 Test method for laboratory determination of water content of soil and rock Test method for density of soil in place by the drive-cylinder method D2937

## **Construction Standards**

- D6938 Test method for in-place density and water content of soil and soil-aggregate by nuclear
- WSDOT 2012, Standard Specification for Road, Bridge and Municipal Construction (WSDOT
- City of Pullman Design Standards 2012 Edition
- STRATA's February 14, 2013 Geotechnical Engineering Evaluation for Infrastructure.
- Taylor Engineering Inc.'s (Taylor) July 3, 2013 Construction Plans
- Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington Appendix 6B.3, Estimating Field Permeability of Soil-in-Place Methods

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR GEOTECHNICAL DELIVERABLE

Adapted from ASFE, The Geoprofessional Business Association

#### Geotechnical Deliverable Use

These documents are prepared for the Palouse Business Center - Lot 10 of Block 2, commercial development in Pullman, Washington. These documents include STRATA's geotechnical design recommendations, soil engineering design characteristics, and design criteria. The project team (KIP Development (KIP), KIP's design team, prospective owner's and their design teams) must read, understand, and implement the geotechnical recommendations in their entirety. The project team should regularly consult with and include the geotechnical consultant in design meetings to verify the intentions of our recommendations are fully understood and properly incorporated into lot design. Reliance on these documents for design is contingent on the prospective buyer and their team maintaining continuity with the geotechnical consultant.

The information presented herein is based on assumed construction until verified by the geotechnical engineer-of-record representing the ultimate owner/user of the individual lot. These geotechnical deliverables are valid only for the assumed project type, description, and location as presented in the Project Understanding. If the project concept changes from our understanding, we must be notified. The City of Pullman will require STRATA or the geotechnical engineer-of-record to review your site specific development plans and verify that the geotechnical recommendations are appropriately applied.

Unknown or unanticipated subsurface conditions are a principal cause of construction delays, cost overruns and disputes. The following information is provided to help you manage your risk associated with subsurface

### STRATA's Services Are Performed for Your Specific Project

STRATA structures our services to meet your and the project's specific needs. For example, a geotechnical engineering evaluation conducted for a civil engineer or architect may not fulfill the needs of a construction contractor or even another civil engineer or architect. Because each geotechnical engineering evaluation is unique, each geotechnical engineering deliverable is unique, prepared solely for you, the client and the ultimate site use. No one except the ultimate user and their designated team should rely on STRATA's geotechnical engineering deliverable without first conferring with the geotechnical engineer who prepared it. And no one should apply the deliverable for any purpose or project except for the one for which it has been prepared.

### Read the Full Deliverable

Serious problems can occur because those relying on geotechnical engineering deliverables did not read it all. Do not rely solely on an executive summary or cursory review. Do not read selected elements only and do not detach exploration logs from the remainder of the document.

### STRATA's Deliverables are Based on a Unique Set of Project-Specific Factors

STRATA considers a number of unique, project-specific factors when establishing the scope of our geotechnical services. Typical factors include: your goals, objectives and risk management preferences; the general nature of the structure involved, its size and configuration; the location of the structure on the site; and other planned or existing site improvements such as access roads, parking lots and underground utilities. This document assumes these aspects of your project and requires your understanding of these limitations. Unless STRATA specifically indicates otherwise, do not rely on a geotechnical engineering deliverable that:

- Does not represent your intended us, configuration, or intent,
- Does not align with planned construction,
- Was not prepared for the specific site explored, or completed before important project design changes were made.

Typical changes that can reduce the reliability of an existing geotechnical engineering deliverable include those that affect:

- The function of the proposed structure(s).
- Elevation, configuration, location, orientation, loading, or performance requirements of the proposed
- Composition of the design team or project ownership.
- Site grades and drainage features.
- Other factors that are not consistent with our analysis or recommendations.

As a general rule, always inform STRATA of project changes - even minor ones - and request an assessment of their impact. Therefore, if our Project Understanding, as outlined in these documents, is not correct, please notify STRATA immediately. STRATA cannot accept responsibility or liability for problems that occur because our documents do not consider developments of which we were not informed.

## **GEOTECHNICAL DESIGN BASIS**

- Construction plans provided by Taylor Engineering, dated July 3, 2013.
- International Building Code, 2012
- IBC section 1613 Earthquake Loads
- IBC section 1615 Structural Integrity IBC section 1804.3 - Excavation Grading and Fill
- IBC section 1809 Shallow Foundations STRATA's Field Exploration
- Test Pits performed on December 18 and 19, 2012 (reference sheet G4)
- STRATA's Laboratory Testing (reference sheet G4)
- Frost Depth 30 inches Typical anticipated structural loads
- Maximum isolated total column loads: 20-30 Kips
- Maximum conventional strip footing loads: 2.0-3.0 KLF Typical displacement tolerances
- Maximum estimated settlement: 1.0 inch total, 0.75 inch differential (30-ft span)
- Settlement Estimates are unfactored
- Bearing Capacity Failure, Factor of Safety (FOS) = 3 or greater
- Groundwater 20 feet or more below finished floor elevation
- ACI: specifically ACI 302.1R-04, ACI 330R-08, and ACI 504R
- Detwiler, R.J. 2008 L&M Construction Chemicals, Inc., Concrete News January 2008

## ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED SERVICES

## **Geotechnical Design Continuity**

We base the information contained in this deliverable on anticipated site development concepts provided by KIP and site conditions established during 2013 mass grading activities. The final floor elevations, floor and footing configurations, loading conditions, stormwater disposal system, site geometry, and other factors can significantly alter our opinions and design recommendations. Specifically, changes in structural design loads and the site geometry may require additional analyses specific to the actual anticipated construction conditions. Therefore, it is important STRATA provide geotechnical continuity through final planning and design for the planned construction as individual aspects become available during design phases specific to this lot. Specifically, we recommend that prospective owner's and individual lot developers retain STRATA to review geotechnical-related sections of the project plans and specifications to verify the plans and specifications are commensurate with our geotechnical recommendations.

It has been our experience that having consultants from the design team review the construction documents prior to bidding helps reduce the potential for errors, and also reduces costly changes to the contract during construction. We also recommend STRATA, in support of the construction personnel, be retained on prospective owner's and individual lot developers' behalf to be on site during earthwork, mass grading, foundation and slab subgrade preparations to verify the conditions encountered during original exploration and subsequent mass grading are encountered during construction. Verifying the subsurface conditions during construction is an important part of the geotechnical design process. If we are not provided such opportunities, we cannot be responsible for soil-related design or construction related errors, omissions, delays or increased costs that are identified during construction. If a firm other than STRATA is selected to observe and interpret the subsurface conditions during construction, they will become the geotechnical engineer of record; we request that prospective owner's and individual lot developers notify the selected firm of these responsibilities and require the firm to interpret and implement our report for the project. This can be accomplished by requiring the selected material testing firm to issue to prospective owner's and individual lot developers a statement that they understand and agree with the geotechnical report used for design and that they agree to implement it in its entirety as the geotechnical engineer-of-record.

## **Subsurface Conditions Can Change**

Site exploration identifies only a small portion of the site's subsurface conditions and subsurface conditions can change significantly between exploration locations. STRATA reviews field and laboratory data and then applies our professional judgment to render an opinion about subsurface conditions throughout the site. Actual subsurface conditions may differ - sometimes significantly - from those identified in our document. Retaining STRATA to provide construction observation is the most effective method of managing the risks associated with unanticipated or changed site conditions.

STRATA's geotechnical engineering evaluation is based on specific surface and subsurface conditions that existed at the time the our evaluation and site testing was performed, and applied specifically to the proposed construction. Do not rely on a geotechnical engineering deliverable whose adequacy may have been affected by: man-made events, such as construction on or adjacent to the site; or by natural events, such as floods, earthquakes, changes in soil moisture or groundwater fluctuations. Always contact STRATA before applying the geotechnical documents to determine if they are still reliable specific to your development. Additional consultation, testing or analysis could prevent major problems.

#### STRATA's Deliverables can be Subject to Misinterpretation

Other design team members' misinterpretation of STRATA's deliverables may result in costly problems. You can lower that risk by having STRATA confer with appropriate members of the project team during the entire design process. Also, retain STRATA to review pertinent elements of the project team's plans and specification. Contractors can also misinterpret a geotechnical engineering deliverable. Again, this risk can be reduced by having STRATA participate in pre-bid, pre-construction and pre-installation conferences and by providing construction observation. This deliverable is specific to the assumed development outlined in the Project Understanding section.

#### Geotechnical Recommendations are not Final for Construction Purposes

Do not over-rely on the construction recommendations included in STRATA's deliverables. Thos recommendations are not final, because STRATA engineers develop them principally from judgment, opinion and assumed development plans. Construction continuity is a requirement and critical element of the geotechnical design process. STRATA can confirm our recommendations only by observing actual subsurface conditions revealed during construction. If a firm or individual other than STRATA is retained to observe, test, or interpret actual field conditions, they must assume the role of geotechnical engineer-of-record. It is your responsibility to notify this entity of their role and responsibility. STRATA cannot assume responsibility or liability for our document's recommendations if STRATA does not perform construction observation.

#### Do Not Redraw STRATA's Logs

STRATA prepares final exploration logs based upon our interpretation of soil profiles described during exploration and laboratory data. To prevent errors or omissions, the logs included in our deliverable should never be redrawn for inclusion in architectural or other design drawings. Only photographic or electronic reproduction is acceptable, but recognize that separating logs from the final deliverable can elevate risk of misinterpreting our geotechnical recommendations.

## Give Contractors a Complete Deliverable and Guidance

Some owners and design professionals mistakenly believe they can make contractors liable for unanticipated subsurface conditions by limiting what they provide for bid preparation. To help prevent costly problems, give contractors the complete geotechnical engineering deliverable, but preface it with a clearly written transmittal letter. In that letter, advise contractors that the document was not prepared for purposes of bid development and that the document's accuracy is limited; encourage them to confer with STRATA and/or to conduct additional study to obtain the specific types of information they need or prefer. Pre-bid or specific pre-installation conferences can also be valuable. *Be sure contractors have sufficient time* to perform additional study. Only then might you be in a position to give contractors the best information available to you, while requiring them to at least share some of the responsibilities stemming from unanticipated conditions.

### Read Responsibility Provisions Closely

Some clients, design professionals and contractors do not recognize that geotechnical engineering is far less exact than other engineering disciplines. This lack of understanding has created unrealistic expectations that have led to disappointments, claims and disputes. To help reduce the risk of such outcomes, STRATA includes a "Limitations" section herein to indicate where STRATA's responsibilities begin and end, to help others recognize their own responsibilities and risks. Read these provisions. Ask questions. STRATA will respond fully and frankly.

## STRATA is a member of ASFE. Rely on STRATA for Additional Assistance

Membership in ASFE, The Geoprofessional Business Association exposes geotechnical engineers to a wide array of risk management techniques that can be of genuine benefit for everyone involved with a construction project. The above information is based upon an ASFE document and has been modified with their permission to meet STRATA's and this deliverable's intent. Confer with STRATA for more information.

# **EVALUATION LIMITATIONS**

These deliverables are prepared to assist in site specific development planning for the Palouse Business Center - Lot 10 of Block 2, commercial development in Pullman, Washington. The geotechnical services described herein consist of professional services, provided in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering principles and practices, as they exist at the time and in the area of this report. The geotechnical information provided herein is based on the premise that STRATA will provide final geotechnical design for the specific lot owner and/or developer once the project concept is established, and an adequate program of tests and observations will be conducted by STRATA during construction in order to verify compliance with our recommendations and to confirm conditions between exploration and material testing locations. This acknowledgement is in lieu of all express or implied warranties.

## Geoenvironmental Concerns Are not Covered

The equipment, techniques, and personnel used to perform a geoenvironmental study differ significantly fron those used to perform a geotechnical study. For that reason, geotechnical engineering documents do not relate geoenvironmental findings, opinions or recommendations: e.g. the likelihood of encountering underground storage tanks or regulated contaminants. Unanticipated environmental problems have led to numerous project failures. If you have not yet obtained your own geoenvironmental information, ask STRATA for risk management guidance. Finally, do not rely on an environmental report prepared for someone else.

**ISSUED FOR** 

- PRELIMINARY DESIGN USE
- PRELIMINARY REVIEW
- YOUR APPROVAL
- CONSTRUCTION

REFERENCE

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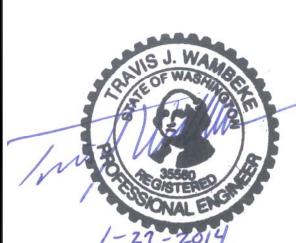
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## **EARTHWORK**

#### **Subgrading**

- 1. Achieve building subgrades with smooth blade equipment to reduce disturbance to the site soil.
- 2. If the subgrade surface exhibits disturbance, is pumping or rutting, soft, wet or frozen, the surface must be moisture conditioned and recompacted to at least 95 percent of ASTM D1557 (Modified Proctor).
- 3. Do not interrupt subsurface trench drains traversing this lot during earthwork, foundation or other activities or development. If subsurface trench drain functionality is impeded, reroute, replace or repair drains to sustain continuous gravity flow of groundwater seepage around or through the lot and/or into site storm water facilities.
- 4. Specific recompaction effort is required at foundation, slab, and pavement sections as outlined herein depending on the conditions encountered.
- 5. Areas which cannot be remediated by moisture conditioning must be removed at least 12 inches to firm, unyielding native or structural fill soil. Replace these over-excavations with granular structural fill as described in the Structural Fill section of sheet G2.
- 6. STRATA or the retained geotechnical engeineer-of-record shall review all site preparations and
- over-excavations prior to granular structural fill placement. 7. If earthwork occurs during wet periods, accomplish work at or near final subgrades using equipment that imparts low bearing pressures, track-mounted, drum and low tire pressure equipment. Using high
- 8. STRATA or the retained geotechnical engeineer-of-record shall review and approve all exposed subgrades prior to structural fill or concrete placement.

#### **Excavation Characteristics**

- 1. Site soil is expected to be excavatable using conventional excavation techniques and equipment.
- 2. Bedrock is not expected within the planned construction limits (5 to 10 feet).
- 3. Temporarily excavate, slope, shore or brace excavations in accordance with Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act (WISHA) and Washington Administrative Code (WAC) guidelines. Regulations outlined in WAC Section 296-155 provide temporary construction slope requirements for various soil types and slopes less than 20 feet tall.
- 4. Recompacted site soil or undisturbed native clay loess is classified as Type C soil referencing WAC Section 296-155, and must be temporarily sloped back at least 1.5H:1V.
- 5. Construction vibrations, seepage, or surface loading can cause excavations to slough or cave and should be avoided.
- 6. Ultimately, the contractor is solely responsible for site safety and excavation configurations and maintaining WISHA approved personnel for excavation monitoring.
- 7. Plan excavations carefully, allowing water collection points and utilizing conventional sumps and pumps to remove nuisance water from runoff, seeps, springs or precipitation.
- 8. Coordinate construction activities and excavation backfilling as rapidly as possible following excavation
- to reduce the potential for subgrades to degrade under construction traffic.
- 9. Grade subgrades aggressively to direct surface water away from work areas and avoid infiltration. 10. Maintain dewatering systems to facilitate good drainage during construction and reduced

## **Wet Weather/Soil Construction**

- 1. Ideally, perform earthwork construction during dry weather conditions (typically June-October).
- 2. The site soil is susceptible to pumping or rutting from heavy loads such as rubber-tired equipment or vehicles any time of the year.
- 3. Complete earthwork by track-mounted equipment that reduces vehicular pressure applied to the soil if construction commences in wet areas or before soil can dry.
- 4. Depending on precipitation and runoff the site soil may be over optimum moisture content. Contractor shall expect these conditions and be prepared to install runoff management facilities and to replace wet or disturbed soil with granular structural fill.
- 5. During good weather that allows soil drying, site soil is suitable for reuse. However, during wet cool weather, site soil may not be suitable for reuse.

## **Over-Excavation**

- 1. If the soil cannot achieve the required compaction following adequate efforts to moisture condition the soil; over-excavate to undisturbed, firm soil. Over-excavation for convenience shall be at the contractor's
- Additionally, over-excavations may be required to complete shallow, granular soil improvements below foundations as illustrated in Figure G2.1 on sheet G2, if final design contemplates higher structural loads, different bearing configurations or construction during wet weather. Consult STRATA or the geotechnical engeineer-of-record for granular soil improvement depth to achieve higher bearing capacities.
- 3. Soft soil over-excavation criteria shall be determined during construction with STRATA or the geotechnical engeineer-of-record, the contractor, and the lot developer/owner, but is anticipated to extend at least 1.5 to 2 feet below the subgrade.
- 4. After achieving subgrade, the contractor must take precautions to protect the subgrade from becoming disturbed or saturated. The contractor must limit construction traffic to any prepared subgrades and reduce the subgrades' exposure to precipitation and water.
- 5. Subgrades must be graded to aggressively direct surface water away from subgrades to avoid infiltration

#### **Material Requirements**

Structural fill is required to achieve site grades, to help support concrete slabs-on-grade and payement

STRUCTURAL FILL

- 2. Site soil should be near or below optimum moisture content and can be relied on for reuse as structural
- fill in the building footprint, when earthwork is accomplished during dry weather. Our recommended material requirements for structural fill generally reference the latest WSDOT
- 4. Embankments constructed during mass grading for Lot 10, Block 2, were placed and compacted per the City of Pullman Earthwork Standards, STRATA's geotechnical report recommendations, and Taylor's
- Project structural fill products are described in Table G2.1 below.

#### Table G2.1: Structural Fill Specifications and Allowable Use

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described in the Structural Fill section of sheet G2.  STRATA or the retained geotechnical engeineer-of-record shall review all site preparations and over-excavations prior to granular structural fill placement.	Fill Label	Fill Product Description	Allowable Use	Material Specifications
If earthwork occurs during wet periods, accomplish work at or near final subgrades using equipment that imparts low bearing pressures, track-mounted, drum and low tire pressure equipment. Using high bearing pressure equipment such as dump trucks and scrapers can readily pump and rut the subgrade and their applications must be carefully considered.  STRATA or the retained geotechnical engeineer-of-record shall review and approve all exposed subgrades prior to structural fill or concrete placement.  avation Characteristics	NSF	Non-Structural Fill (Landscape or Slope Dressing Fill)	Any area that will not support pavements, sidewalks, curbs, buildings, or other improvements (typically landscape areas)	<ul> <li>Soil classified as GP, GM, GW, GC SP, SM, SW, SC, CL, or ML according to the USCS.</li> <li>Soil may not contain particles larger than 12 inches in median diameter.</li> <li>Soil must be reasonably free from deleterious substances such as wood, metal, plastic, waste, etc.</li> </ul>
Site soil is expected to be excavatable using conventional excavation techniques and equipment.  Bedrock is not expected within the planned construction limits (5 to 10 feet).  Temporarily excavate, slope, shore or brace excavations in accordance with <i>Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act</i> (WISHA) and <i>Washington Administrative Code</i> (WAC) guidelines. Regulations outlined in WAC Section 296-155 provide temporary construction slope requirements for various soil types and slopes less than 20 feet tall.  Recompacted site soil or undisturbed native clay loess is classified as <i>Type C</i> soil referencing WAC Section 296-155, and must be temporarily sloped back at least 1.5H:1V.  Construction vibrations, seepage, or surface loading can cause excavations to slough or cave and should be avoided.	SF-1	General Structural Fill	<ul> <li>Fill placement within building, pavement and hardscapes envelopes, including utility trench backfill</li> <li>Non-structural fill</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Soil classified as GP, GM, GW, GC SP, SM, SW, CL, or ML according to the USCS.</li> <li>Soil may not contain particles larger than 6 inches in median diameter.</li> <li>Soil must contain less than 3 percent (by weight) of organics, vegetation, wood, metal, plastic, or other deleterious substances.</li> </ul>
should be avoided.  Ultimately, the contractor is solely responsible for site safety and excavation configurations and maintaining WISHA approved personnel for excavation monitoring.  Plan excavations carefully, allowing water collection points and utilizing conventional sumps and pumps to remove nuisance water from runoff, seeps, springs or precipitation.  Coordinate construction activities and excavation backfilling as rapidly as possible following excavation	SF-2	Granular Structural Fill (Structural areas)	<ul> <li>General structural fill</li> <li>Fill placement, construction entrances, and earthwork during wet weather</li> <li>Over-excavations</li> </ul>	Soil meeting requirements stated in Section 9-03.14(2) – Select Borrow of WSDOT Standards.
to reduce the potential for subgrades to degrade under construction traffic.  Grade subgrades aggressively to direct surface water away from work areas and avoid infiltration.  D. Maintain dewatering systems to facilitate good drainage during construction and reduced over-excavation.	CS-1	Crushed Surfacing Top Course	<ul> <li>Granular structural fill</li> <li>General structural fill</li> <li>Concrete slab-on- grade, pavement, and foundation support</li> </ul>	Soil meeting requirements stated in Section 9-03.9(3) – Crushed Surfacing of WSDOT Standards.
Weather/Soil Construction  Ideally, perform earthwork construction during dry weather conditions (typically June-October).  The site soil is susceptible to pumping or rutting from heavy loads such as rubber-tired equipment or vehicles any time of the year.  Complete earthwork by track-mounted equipment that reduces vehicular pressure applied to the soil if	DA-1	Drainage Aggregate	Drain trench fill	Soil meeting requirements stated in Section 9-03.12(4) – Gravel Backfill Drains of WSDOT Standards <sup>1</sup> .
construction commences in wet areas or before soil can dry.  Depending on precipitation and runoff the site soil may be over optimum moisture content. Contractor shall expect these conditions and be prepared to install runoff management facilities and to replace wet or disturbed soil with granular structural fill.	РВ	Pipe Bedding	Utility pipe bedding within 6 inches of the pipe invert	Soil meeting requirements stated in Section 9-03.12(3) – Gravel Backfill for Pipe Zone Bedding of WSDOT Standards.
During good weather that allows soil drying, site soil is suitable for reuse. However, during wet cool weather, site soil may not be suitable for reuse.  If the soil cannot achieve the required compaction following adequate efforts to moisture condition the soil; over-excavate to undisturbed, firm soil. Over-excavation for convenience shall be at the contractor's expense.  Additionally, over-excavations may be required to complete shallow, granular soil improvements below foundations as illustrated in Figure G2.1 on sheet G2, if final design contemplates higher structural loads, different bearing configurations or construction during wet weather. Consult STRATA or the geotechnical engeineer-of-record for granular soil improvement depth to achieve higher bearing capacities.  Soft soil over-excavation criteria shall be determined during construction with STRATA or the	-	Unsatisfactory Soil	NONE	<ul> <li>Soil classified as MH, OH, CH, OL, or PT may not be used at the project site.</li> <li>Any soil type not maintaining moisture contents within 5 percent of optimum during compaction is unsatisfactory soil which must be moisture conditioned prior to disposal and replacement.</li> <li>Any soil containing more than 3 percent (by weight) of organics, vegetation, wood, metal, plastic or other deleterious substances.</li> </ul>

1. WSDOT Standard Specification for Road, Bridge and Municipal Construction, 2012 (WSDOT Standards)

## **Required Compaction**

Backfill supporting any structure, hardscape, embankment, foundation, or other improvement must be compacted to structural fill requirements presented in Table G2.2 below.

## Table G2.2: Required Structural Fill Products for Designated Project Areas

Project Area	Required Structural Fill Product	Compaction Requirement <sup>1</sup>
In-situ native subgrades	Native soil <sup>2</sup>	Undisturbed (pocket pen > 2 tsf)
Within 10 lateral and 3 vertical feet of building or hardscape footprints or fill placed on/in slopes	General, Granular, and Crushed Surfacing Structural Fill	95% <sup>3</sup>
Utility trench backfill below slabs, pavements, and buildings	Utility Trench Fill	95%
All other fills (more than 10 feet outside or 3 feet below the building or hardscape footprints)	General Structural Fill	92%
Landscape areas sloped flatter than 5H:1V	Topsoil	88%

- 1. Relative compaction requirement compared to the maximum dry density of the soil as determined by ASTM D 1557 (Modified
- 2. Native soil must be verified by STRATA or the project geotechnical engineer-of-record.
- 3. Some granular structural fill products require method compaction efforts (reference Oversized Soil fill).
- Fill placed outside any building or pavement envelope (plus 10 feet) can be placed as non-structural fill (i.e. landscape fill) providing there are no structures (sidewalk, curbs, utilities, signs, etc.) or embankment planned directly above the landscape fill. Landscape fill compaction requirements also apply to stemwall backfill that does not support overlying structures such as asphalt, slabs or other improvements free of structures
- Structural fill products must be moisture conditioned to near optimum moisture content and placed in
- maximum 10-inch-thick, loose lifts. Structural fill shall be compacted in 10-inch-thick, loose lifts providing compaction equipment weighs a minimum of 5 tons. If smaller or lighter compaction equipment is provided, reduce the lift thickness to
- meet the compaction requirements presented herein. 4. The site soil is expected to be suitable for reuse as general structural fill providing it can meet the
- criteria presented in Table G2.1 above and earthwork is attempted during warm, dry weather. 5. Perform compaction testing on each lift, every 1,000 s.f. or every 50 feet along trenches.

## Oversize Soil Fill

1. Any material with greater than 30 percent retained above the 3/4-inch sieve is too coarse for Proctor density testing, but may be used as general structural fill. Coarse fill must be compacted using a "method specification" developed during construction that is based on the material characteristics and the contractor's means and methods.

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- Separate oversize fill from fine grained subgrades using geosynthetics, see Table G2.3.
- Method specifications will be developed during construction, specific to the materials, compaction equipment and conditions encountered.
- At a minimum, place all oversize material in maximum 18-inch lifts and compact with 5 complete passes
- of a 10-ton, vibratory or grid roller. Vibratory rollers must have a dynamic force of at least 30,000 pounds per impact per vibration and at least 1,000 vibrations per minute. Coarse fill must be compacted to a dense, interlocking and unyielding

#### **Utility Trench Backfill**

surface.

- Remove all saturated, loose or disturbed soil from the bottom of the utility trenches prior to placing pipe
- 2. Accomplish bedding for pipes and utility trenches in accordance with Division 7 of the latest edition of the WSDOT Standard.
- 3. Backfill the remainder of utility trenches in accordance with the Structural Fill specification.

## **GEOSYNTHETICS**

Geosynthetic uses and material requirements are provided in Table G2.3

### Table G2.3: Geosynthetic Specifications

Geosynthetic Type	Use	Material Specifications
Non-Woven Geosynthetic	Pavement subgrade preparations, footing soil improvements	<ul> <li>Must meet Soil Stabilization – Non- Woven requirements in WSDOT Standards Section 9-33.2(1). Table 3.</li> </ul>
Triaxial or Biaxial Geogrid	Extremely soft subgrade conditions	<ul> <li>93 percent junction efficiency (GRI GG2-05)</li> <li>3.0 kg-cm/degree Aperture Stability (U.S. Army Corp of Engineers Ref 3.3.1.2000)</li> <li>Extruded polypropylene</li> <li>Minimum Radial Stiffness of 15,400 lb/ft at 0.5% Strain (ASTM D6637)</li> </ul>

Properties from WSDOT Standards.

- Geosynthetic fabrics are applicable when constructing on soft or wet soil, for soil improvement applications, or any area where Oversize Soil Fill must be separated from the fine-grained subgrade. Where required for foundation support, to aid construction or increase long-term performance, apply
- geosynthetics directly on approved subgrades, taut, free of wrinkles and over-lapped at least 12 inches. Consult STRATA to review geosynthetic applications or other subgrade improvement alternatives. 4. We recommend woven geosynthetic fabrics conform to Section 9-33 - Construction Geosynthetic and specifically meet or exceed the properties presented in Table 3, Section 9-33.2(1) - Geotextile
- Geogrid is not expected to be required unless extremely soft subgrades develop during construction due to unusually high groundwater or construction during wet seasons. However, project specifications should delineate requirements for geogrid in extremely soft subgrade conditions and require the contractor to supply a unit rate if they are required, as shown in Table G2.3.

## Foundations/Walls

shown on Figure G3.1.

1. Place interior fill around stemwalls as granular structural fill to within 8 inches of the finish grade. Then

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- place crushed surfacing within the last 8 inches beneath finish grade. Place exterior stemwall backfill as drainage aggregate as shown of Figure G3.1.
- 3. Install perimeter foundation drains at the lowest possible elevation that maintains gravity drainage as
- Divert stormwater to an appropriate disposal system specified by Civil Engineering.

### **Exterior Grading**

- 1. Site grading design and construction must allow for positive drainage of surface runoff water away from the proposed structure and not be allowed to infiltrate foundation and slab subgrades.
- Runoff or water migrating along the ground surface must be conveyed away from structures by an appropriately designed series of ditches, swales, or other surface water management procedures by the

Per IBC Section 1804.3, slope all surfaces within 10 feet of the structure away at 5 percent except

- where ADA requirements must be met. Where IBC standards cannot be met, slope ground as aggressively as possible to direct water away from the building's perimeter. Slope the remaining sidewalks and paved surfaces at least 2 percent away from the structures. This
- reduces the risk of subsurface soil near the foundation becoming saturated due to water ponding near Provide and connect roof downspouts to a solid pipe placed away from structures and do not allow DRAWN: CWS
- water to infiltrate into the soil underlying the structure. Never connect roof drain to foundation
- 6. Avoid landscaping which requires irrigation adjacent to or within 10 feet of the building.

- 1. Washington State Department of Ecology (WDOE) requires site specific stormwater discharge permits for any construction site disturbing more than 1 acre.
- 2. Divert stormwater to an appropriate disposal system specified by site Civil Design.
- Connect to the Palouse Business Center's stormwater system per development covenants. 4. Design stormwater lot specific disposal facilities in accordance with the WDOE Eastern Regional Stormwater Management manual and the City of Pullman requirements. Specifically, avoid depositing

stormwater into the subsurface in a manner that will impact down slope or adjacent properties.

- 5. The soil profile encountered in explorations was classified as clay and has low permeability and no capacity for vertical stormwater infiltration. Based on gradation results and previous exploration in the area. USDA classifications correlate to clay at depth.
- 6. Stormwater may be treated in grassed lined, bio-infiltration swales, but swales must be sufficiently sized to store water and rapidly convey it to the on-site stormwater detention facility, ultimately to be metered out to the City of Pullman, Stormwater system.
- Direct collected stormwater at least 50 feet away from structures.
- 8. If Civil Design or other issues will not allow appropriate collection and disposal points set away from structures the minimum distance recommended above, the design team must evaluate alternate stormwater disposal plans.
- Providing regular site stormwater inspections during construction by a Certified Erosion Control Sediment Lead (CESCL) is required by WDOE for SWPPP implementation.

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Integrity from the Ground Up

**FOUNDATION DESIGN** The Lot 10 Block 2 structures and site configuration concepts are assumed. Based on the site conditions, exploration and testing performed to date and our assumptions regarding development plans, we expect the

Lot developments will interface with native soil and structural fill. Providing the site soil remains protected from weather and infiltration, it is generally suitable for conventional foundation bearing. If foundations are constructed during wet weather or if wet soil conditions are exposed, it may be necessary to construct granular soil improvements beneath foundations as shown below. Consult STRATA or the geotechnical engineer-of-record for granular soil improvement depths to achieve the design requirements.

#### **Granular Soil Improvement Construction**

Where foundations are constructed during wet soil conditions or if final structural and geotechnical design dictate, construct granular soil improvements according to the following steps:

- 1. Over-excavate soil below the planned foundation bearing elevation and expose stiff (pocket pen >2 tsf) site soil, previously compacted or undisturbed. Excavation depth will be determined by final design. Prepare the exposed subgrade referencing the Earthwork requirements using smooth-blade equipment.
- 3. Place non-woven geosynthetic fabric over the subgrade and extend it up the sidewalls to the bearing elevation. Non-woven geosynthetic fabric must meet the requirements in Table G2.3.
- 4. Backfill over-excavations with crushed surfacing placed and compacted referencing Table G2.1 and the Structural Fill section.
- 5. Schematics illustrating the soil improvement process are provided in Figures G3.1 and G3.2, Granular Soil Improvement. Foundation stem wall height may vary. Figures G3.1 and G3.2 are not structural

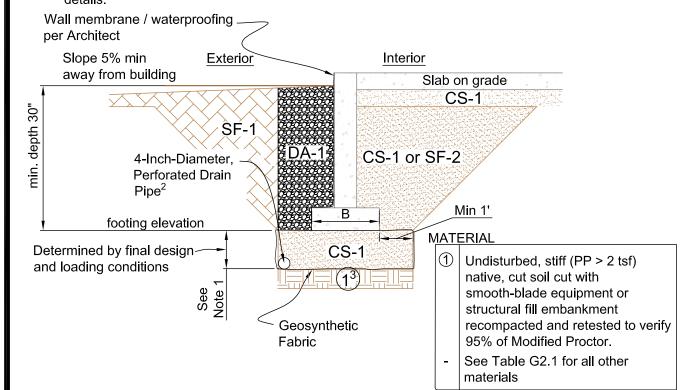
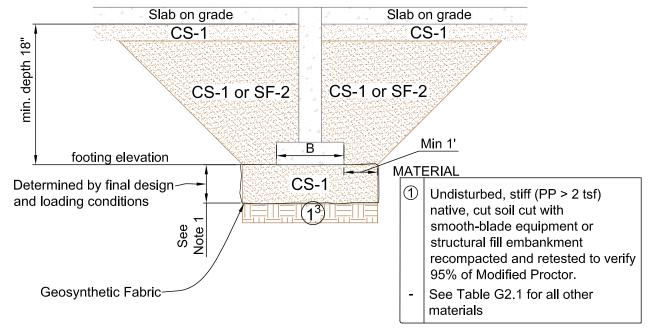


Figure G3.1: Soil Improvement Schematic - Continuous Perimeter Foundations



## Figure G3.2: Soil Improvement Schematic - Column Foundations (Interior)

- Extend soil improvement below isolated column and continuous perimeter foundations as required by final structural and geotechnical design or to assist construction during wet weather.
- 2. Adjust foundation drain pipe elevation depending on soil improvement applications. Foundation drain shall never be placed above the foundation bearing elevation.
- 3. Where structural embankment (see Lot Plan, sheet G4) is exposed at foundations and verified by the project geotechnical engineer, recompact to 95% of Modified Proctor.

The following foundation design parameters are stated for total loads referenced on Sheet G1, and are based on bearing foundations on undisturbed stiff native soil, soil recompacted to structural fill requirements, or if required, granular soil improvements as described above. From mass grading in 2013, the foundation substrate soil is expected to be structural fill mantling stiff clay/silt loess or stiff clay loess. Structural fill has been placed and compacted to between 92 and 95 percent of ASTM D1557 (Modified Proctor). City of Pullman and geotechnical design requirements are that foundation and slab substrates be compacted to at least 95 percent of Modified Proctor. Some subgrade moisture conditioning and recompaction should be anticipated. From geotechnical field and laboratory testing, and engineering analyses, preliminarily design shallow foundations using the following criteria:

- Maximum allowable bearing pressure: 2,000 psf, undisturbed stiff native soil or structural fill
- Maximum 33 percent increase allowed for short term load increases such as wind or seismic. • Higher design bearing pressures are possible depending on settlement tolerances or the application of granular soil improvement. Consult STRATA or the geotechnical engineer-of-record for applicable
- bearing pressure for your project. 2. Estimated foundation/slab vertical settlement from assumed structural loads:
- Total settlement: 1.0 inch
- Differential settlement: Up to 0.75 inches in 30-foot horizontal span
- Embankment settlement:
- Less than 10 feet in height: 0.5% of embankment height ≈ 0.6 inches
- Greater than 10 feet in height: 1 1.5% of embankment height ≈ 1.5 to 2.5 inches depending on lot
- Embankment settlement will occur over 1 to 3 years and is in addition to foundation
- settlement 4. Lateral load resistance:
- Foundation base friction coefficient:
  - 0.30 for foundations cast directly on site soil bearing surface
- O Reduce friction coefficient by 1/3 for precast concrete
- Passive soil resistance on foundation sides:
  - Equivalent fluid pressure: 250 pcf
- O Requires 1/2-inch lateral movement to mobilize full resistance
- 4. Extend exterior footings at least 30 inches below the final, exterior ground surface to help protect Bear interior foundations at least 18 inches below finish slab elevations and maintain at least 4 inches
- be avoided due to their propensity for reflective cracking. STRATA or the retained geotechnical engineer-of-record shall observe foundation soil improvement, bearing, and slab subgrades. Reviewing the subgrade during site and foundation preparation allows verification that vegetation, organics, and significant debris have been removed to the required elevation

of soil cover between top of the footing and the bottom of the concrete slab. Thickened footings should

and that excavations have been accomplished according to these recommendations. The above design criteria require maintaining drained conditions at the foundation subgrade.

## Soil Corrosivity

- Corrosion of buried metallic structures is an electrochemical process and is dependent on many factors, including type of metal or alloy, galvanic effects, and soil properties such as resistivity, pH and oxygen content. Generally, soil that has low resistivity and low pH is more corrosive than soil with high resistivity
- Experience with the site soil and aggregate in the Pullman area suggests these materials maintain a relatively neutral pH and moderate to low resistivity indicating a heavy to potentially severe corrosion potential.
- 3. Consider steel loss due to corrosion with respect to selecting pipes and other buried or underground structures.
- 4. Maintain maximum clearances for concrete reinforcing.

### **Seismic Activity Research**

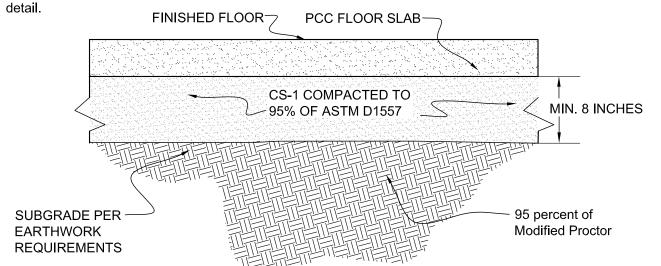
- 1. We expect the 2012 International Building Code (IBC) will be utilized for project structural design. Section 1613 of the IBC outlines the procedure for evaluating site ground motions and design spectral response accelerations.
- 2. STRATA utilized site soil and geologic data and the project location to establish earthquake-loading
- 3. Based on our field exploration, mapping in the area, bedrock exposures nearby, and knowledge of the upper 100 feet of soil/rock profile, we recommend a Site Class D be utilized as a basis for structural seismic design.
- 4. A site-specific seismic response study was not performed.
- 5. Liquefaction is common in loose and saturated sand. The liquefaction potential decreases when the soil profile density increases and the percentage of fine-grained soil increases. The soil beneath the planned improvements comprises firm to stiff clay soil, overlying basalt bedrock at depth. Groundwater is not expected within the upper 20 feet beneath the planned surface grades. However, due to the stiff, fine-grained soil expected beneath the site, the potential for liquefaction during a seismic event at this site appears low.

### **CONCRETE SLAB-ON-GRADE FLOORS**

#### Slab Substrate

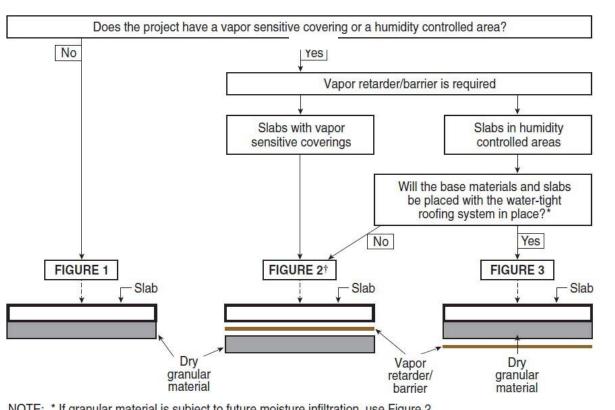
- Place crushed surfacing structural fill, as defined in Table G2.1 on sheet G2, over stiff recompacted site soil as described in the *Earthwork* section. Compact slab subgrades to at least 95 percent of Modified
- Subgrade areas that become soft, wet or disturbed during slab subgrade preparations must be moisture conditioned and recompacted, or over-excavated to stiff soil (PP > 2 tsf) and replaced with crushed
- 3. Compact crushed surfacing below slabs to structural fill requirements as defined in Table G2.2, sheet
- 4. The slab's supporting aggregate course must be constructed once the majority of underslab plumbing and utilities are completed.
- 5. Floor and exterior slabs and supporting crushed surfacing section thicknesses must be structurally designed for the anticipated use and equipment or storage loading conditions.
- Concrete slab design may utilize an allowable modulus of subgrade reaction (k) of 140 pounds per cubic inch (pci) (Figure G3.4) for slab sections constructed over compacted, site soil and at least 8-inches of crushed surfacing for slab support and as a capillary break. Structural design will designate crushed surfacing thickness.

Figure G3.4, Floor Slab Schematic illustrates a concrete slab-on-grade floor. Figure G3.4 is a not structural



## Figure G3.4: Floor Slab Schematic

- Interior floor slabs may be susceptible to moisture migration caused by subsurface capillary action and vapor pressure. Moisture migration through floor slabs can break down a floor covering, its adhesive, or cause various other floor covering performance problems.
- 2. Vapor retarders shall consist of thick, puncture proof polyethylene sheeting placed immediately below the floor slab. An example of this material is Stego Wrap™, a 15-mil retarder
- 3. Alternatively, the vapor retarder may be covered with an additional 2-inch-thick layer of clean, coarse sand placed between the aggregate base course and the concrete slab-on-grade floors, if the base material and slabs are placed with a water proof roofing system in-place (See Figure G3.5 below). 4. Form stakes or other sub-slab penetrations must never be allowed to puncture the vapor retarder.
- 5. Plumbing penetrations and foundation edges are notoriously problematic for under-slab vapor protection
- 6. Carefully design and construct any vapor retarder penetrations to reduce vapor transport through any
- 7. Even when vapor retarders are used, water vapor migration through the concrete floor slab is still
- 8. Floor covering should be selected accordingly. Manufacturer's recommendations shall be followed. 9. Where vapor retarders are utilized, the flooring and concrete slab contractors as well as the plastic sheeting manufacturer must be consulted regarding additional slab cure time requirements and/or the



NOTE: \* If granular material is subject to future moisture infiltration, use Figure 2 † If Figure 2 is used, a reduced joint spacing, a low shrinkage mix design, or other measures to minimize slab curl will likely be required

> Figure G3.5. Flowchart to determine how vapor retarder should be installed (adapted from Figure 3-1 of ACI 302.1R-04)

## **Exterior Slab Considerations**

potential for slab curling.

- 1. Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) for exterior pavements and slabs shall meet WSDOT Standards and have a minimum 4,000 psi compressive strength (per City of Pullman Requirements), 650 psi modulus of rupture, and 4 to 7 percent entrained air.
- 2. Per Structural Design Specifications, apply curing compounds on all exterior concrete surfaces. Due not apply salts or salt solutions to the hardscape surfaces.
- 3. Sawcut the concrete per Structural Design and Landscape Architect pattern as soon as possible following placement to reduce the potential for shrinkage cracking.
- 4. Joint and cure exterior concrete referencing ACI and Landscape Architect requirements to help reduce random cracking, shrinkage cracking, and to facilitate construction and concrete curing.
- 5. Structurally design joints to occur through contraction joints, construction joints, and isolation joints, accounting for the concrete surface geometry and paving plan.
- 6. Joint details, fixture details, sealant details, and other appropriate design and construction practices are illustrated in the ACI 330R-08 document and should be incorporated into project plans.
- 7. For dumpster's or other equipment pads, construct the slab support section with a minimum of 18 inches of crushed surfacing.

## Frost Considerations

- 1. Frost jacking/frost heave are rigid pavement/hardscape design concerns, particularly where abrupt changes in soil frost susceptibility occur.
- 2. Abrupt changes occur where rigid pavements/hardscapes meet flexible pavements or at building entrances and foundations. Soil subgrades will exist in areas where exterior slabs are planned and abut
- To accommodate these locations and reduce the frost action potential, excavate 2/3 of the frost depth (20 inches), extending 10 lateral feet from the building or at any trash enclosure or accept the risks of

Replace these over-excavations with granular structural fill or crushed surfacing.

5. Consult the Structural Engineer regarding additional measures to help resist frost action.

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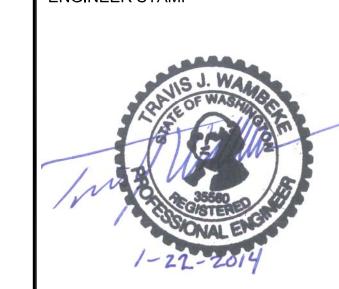
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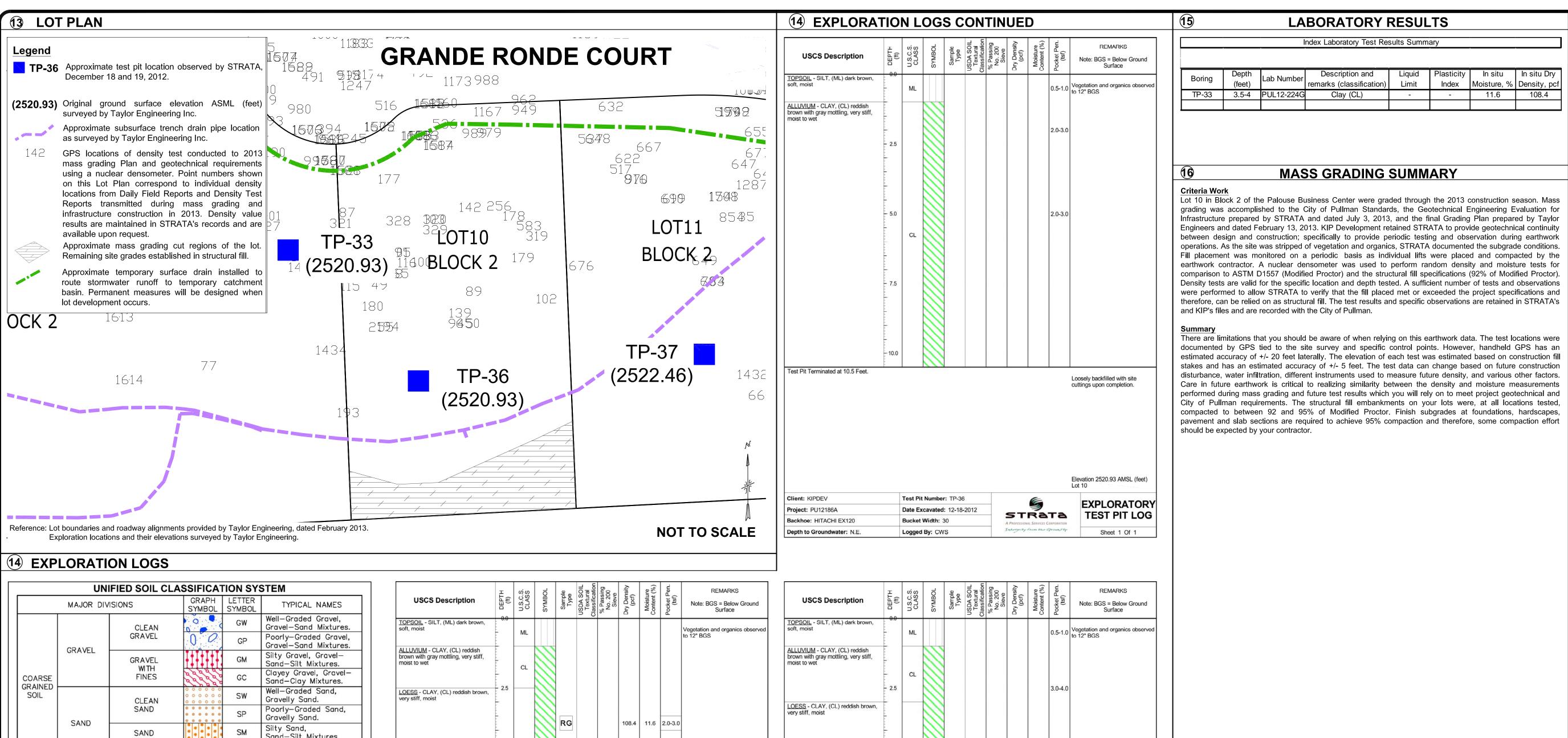
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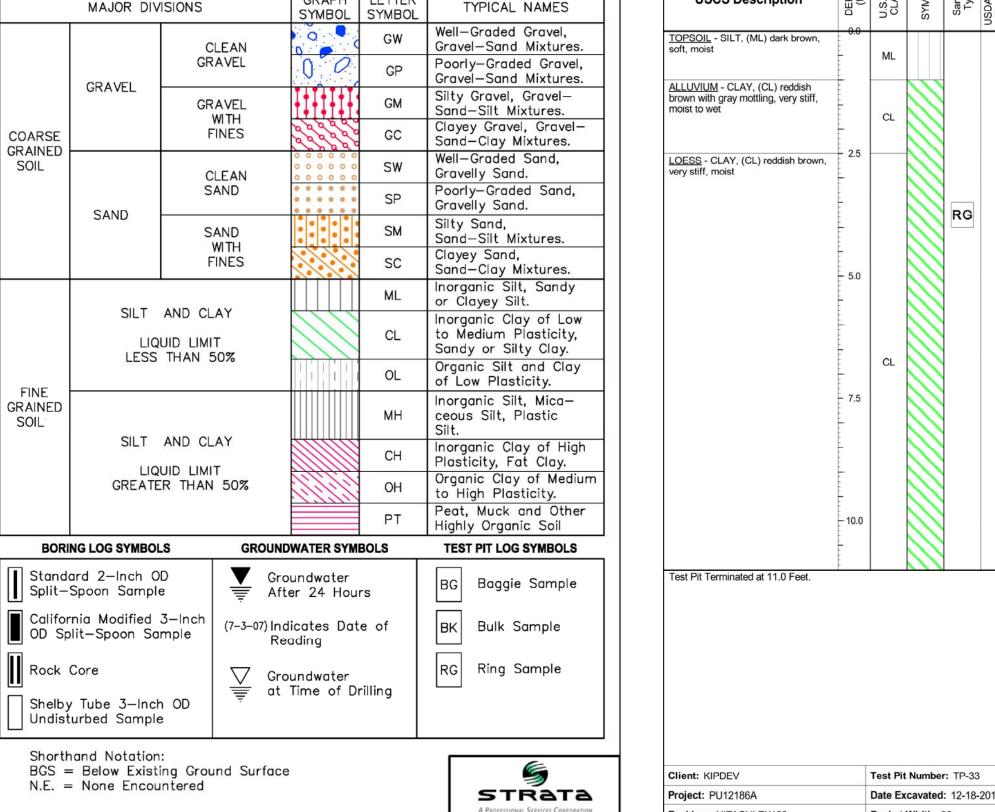




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