

**LIMITED
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INFILTRATION FEASIBILITY STUDY**

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Dear Mr. Figueroa:

In accordance with your request and authorization of our Proposal No. LG-20537 dated December 10, 2020, we herein submit the results of our limited geotechnical investigation and infiltration feasibility study for the subject project. We performed our investigation to evaluate the underlying soil and geologic conditions and potential geologic hazards, and to assist in the design of proposed improvements.

The accompanying report presents the results of our study and conclusions and recommendations pertaining to geotechnical aspects of the proposed project. The site is suitable for the proposed improvements provided the recommendations of this report are incorporated into the design and construction of the planned project.

Should you have questions regarding this report, or if we may be of further service, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

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1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This report presents the results of our limited geotechnical investigation and infiltration feasibility study for the mini park improvement project on Clay Avenue located within the Memorial Community of the City of San Diego, California (see Vicinity Map).



Vicinity Map

The purpose of this investigation is to evaluate the surface and subsurface soil conditions and general site geology; to identify geotechnical constraints that may affect improvement of the existing park including faulting, liquefaction and seismic shaking based on the 2019 CBC seismic design criteria; and to evaluate on-site infiltration feasibility. In addition, we provided recommendations for remedial grading, drilled-pier foundations, and exterior concrete flatwork. We also reviewed *Plans for the Construction of Clay Avenue Mini Park, San Diego, California*, prepared by Schmidt Design Group, 100% Construction Documents, dated March 14, 2019.

The scope of this investigation included reviewing readily available published and unpublished geologic literature (see List of References), performing engineering analyses and preparing this report. We also advanced 6 exploratory borings to a maximum depth of about 7 feet, performed infiltration testing, sampled soil and performed laboratory testing. Appendix A presents the exploratory boring logs and details of the field investigation. The details of the laboratory tests and a summary of the test

results are shown in Appendix B and on the boring logs in Appendix A. Appendix C presents a summary of our infiltration feasibility study.

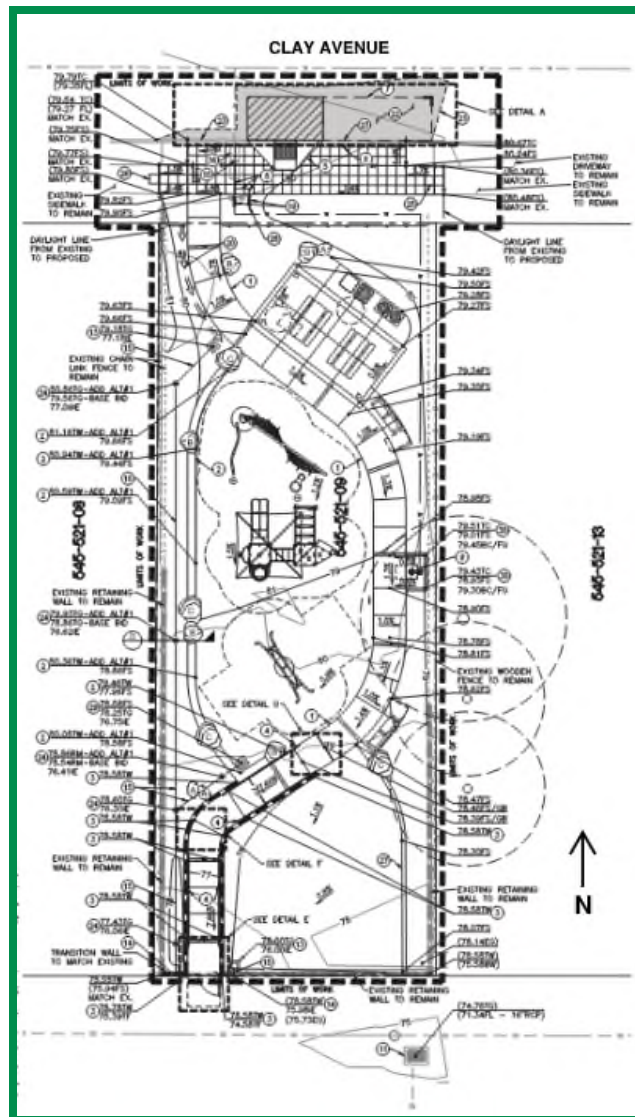
2. SITE AND PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The site is located on the south side of Clay Avenue, west of 32nd Street and east of 31st Street in San Diego, California. The park currently consists of a grass turf and a sand playground area with a retaining wall along the southern boundary that is approximately 2.5 feet in height as shown in the Existing Site Plan. The site slopes gently to the south with a total relief of 3 feet from elevations of roughly 79 to 82 feet mean sea level MSL.



Existing Site Plan

We understand the project will consist of remodeling the mini park by adding an open play area, accessible sidewalks, playground equipment, picnic area, security lighting, fencing, tot turf area, and a shade structure. The Proposed Site Plan shows the planned improvements.



Proposed Site Plan

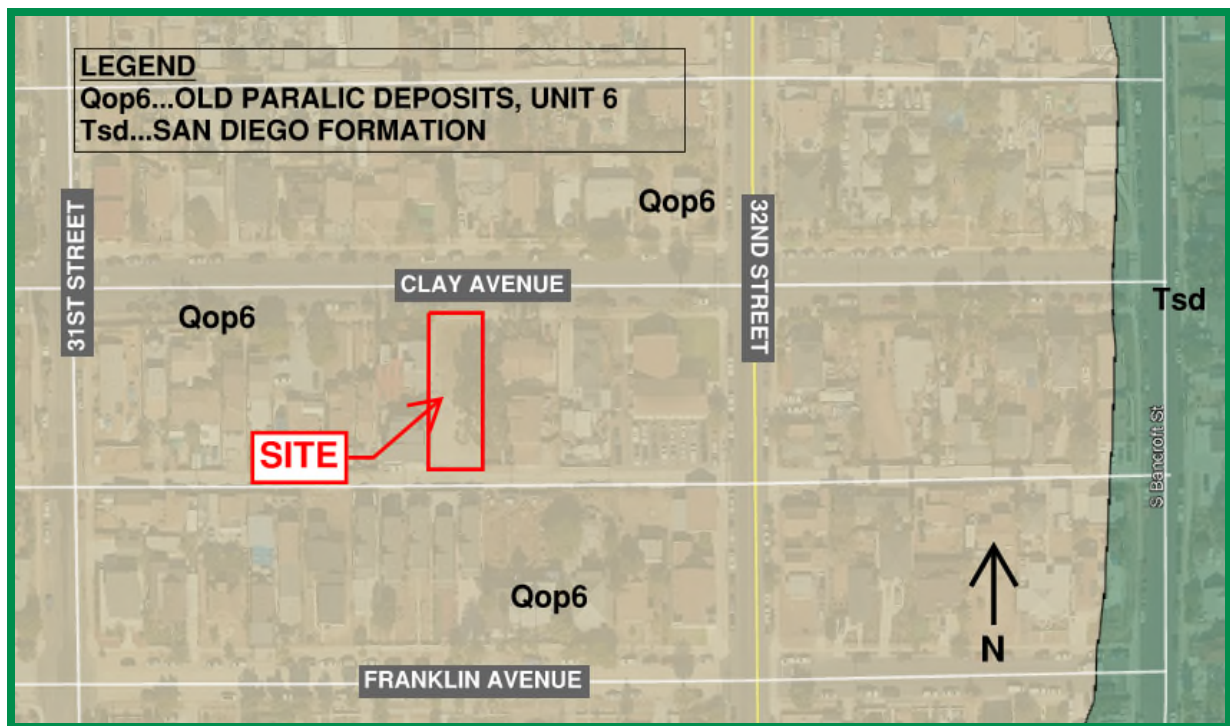
The locations, site descriptions and proposed development are based on our site reconnaissance, review of published geologic literature, field investigation, and discussions with project personnel. If development plans differ from those described herein, Geocon Incorporated should be contacted for review of the plans and possible revisions to this report.

3. GEOLOGIC SETTING

The site is located in the western portion of the coastal plain within the southern portion of the Peninsular Ranges Geomorphic Province of southern California. The Peninsular Ranges is a geologic and geomorphic province that extends from the Imperial Valley to the Pacific Ocean and from the Transverse Ranges to the north and into Baja California to the south. The coastal plain of San Diego County is underlain by a thick sequence of relatively undisturbed and non-conformable sedimentary

rocks that thicken to the west and range in age from Upper Cretaceous through the Pleistocene with intermittent deposition. The sedimentary units are deposited on bedrock Cretaceous to Jurassic age igneous and metavolcanic rocks. Geomorphically, the coastal plain is characterized by a series of 21, stair-stepped marine terraces (younger to the west) that have been dissected by west flowing rivers. The coastal plain is a relatively stable block that is dissected by relatively few faults consisting of the potentially active La Nacion Fault Zone and the active Rose Canyon Fault Zone. The Peninsular Ranges Province is also dissected by the Elsinore Fault Zone that is associated with and sub-parallel to the San Andreas Fault Zone, which is the plate boundary between the Pacific and North American Plates.

The Regional Geologic Map shows the geologic unit in the area consists of Old Paralic Deposits, Unit 6 called the Nestor Terrace that is roughly 120,000 years old and the San Diego Formation. The Old Paralic Deposits generally consist of poorly sorted, reddish brown siltstone, sandstone, and conglomerate. The Old Paralic Deposits uncomfortably overlies the San Diego Formation with the contact varying from an elevation of about 75 to 78 feet mean sea level (MSL) at the site.

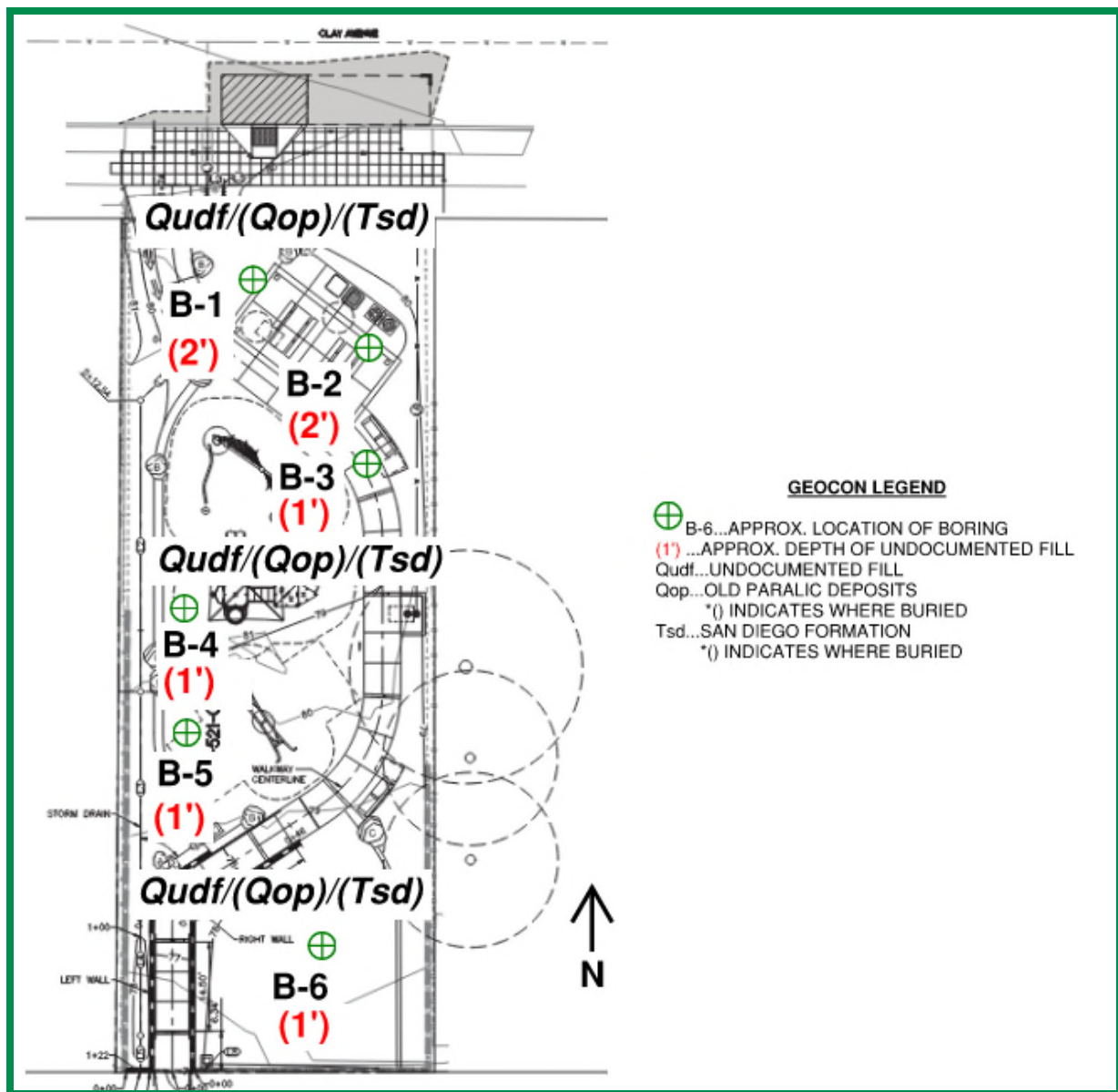


Regional Geologic Map

4. SOIL AND GEOLOGIC CONDITIONS

We encountered one surficial soil unit (consisting of undocumented fill) and two formational units (consisting of Old Paralic Deposits and San Diego Formation). The occurrence, distribution, and

description of each unit encountered is shown on the Geologic Map, below, and on the boring logs in Appendix A. The surficial soil and geologic units are described herein in order of increasing age.



Geologic Map

4.1 Undocumented Fill (Qudf)

We encountered undocumented fill in our borings to depths ranging from about 1 to 2 feet. In general, the fill consists of loose to medium dense, moist to wet, silty sand and typically possesses a “very low” to “medium” expansion index (expansion index of 90 or less). The undocumented fill is not considered suitable in its current condition for the support of foundations, concrete improvements, turf, or

structural fill; and remedial grading will required. The undocumented fill can be reused for new compacted fill during grading operations provided it is free of roots and debris.

4.2 Old Paralic Deposits (Qop)

The Quaternary-age Old Paralic Deposits exist below the undocumented fill across the site with a maximum thickness of 5 feet. These deposits generally consist of dense, light to dark reddish brown, silty to clayey, fine to medium sand and stiff, olive brown, sandy clay. The Old Paralic Deposits typically possess a “very low” to “medium” expansion potential (expansion index of 90 or less) and a “S0” sulfate class. The Old Paralic Deposits are considered suitable to support planned fill and foundation loads for the improvement proposed at the park.

4.3 San Diego Formation (Tsd)

Tertiary-age San Diego Formation underlies the Old Paralic Deposits below at an approximate depth between 4 to 6 feet below grade at elevations between 75 and 78 feet MSL. The San Diego Formation generally consists of weakly cemented, micaceous, light yellowish brown, silty, fine-grained sandstone. The San Diego Formation typically possesses a “very low” to “low” expansion potential (expansion index of 50 or less). The San Diego Formation is considered suitable for support of structural loads.

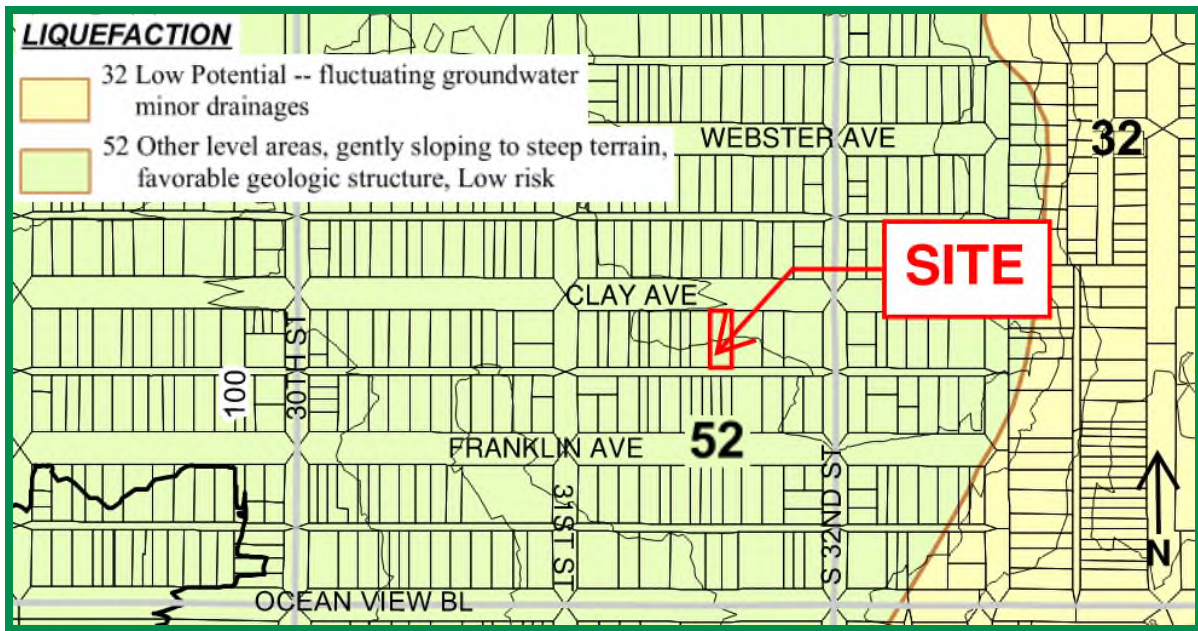
5. GROUNDWATER

We did not encounter groundwater or seepage during our site investigation. However, it is not uncommon for shallow seepage conditions to develop where none previously existed when sites are irrigated or infiltration is implemented. Seepage is dependent on seasonal precipitation, irrigation, land use, among other factors, and varies as a result. Proper surface drainage will be important to future performance of the project. We expect groundwater is deeper than about 50 feet below existing grade. We do not expect groundwater to be encountered during construction of the proposed development.

6. GEOLOGIC HAZARDS

6.1 Geologic Hazard Category

The City of San Diego Seismic Safety Study, Geologic Hazards and Faults, Sheet 17 defines the site with *Hazard Category 52: Other level areas, gently sloping to steep terrain, favorable geologic structure, Low Risk* (as shown on the Hazard Category Map). Based on a review of the map, a fault does not traverse the planned development area.

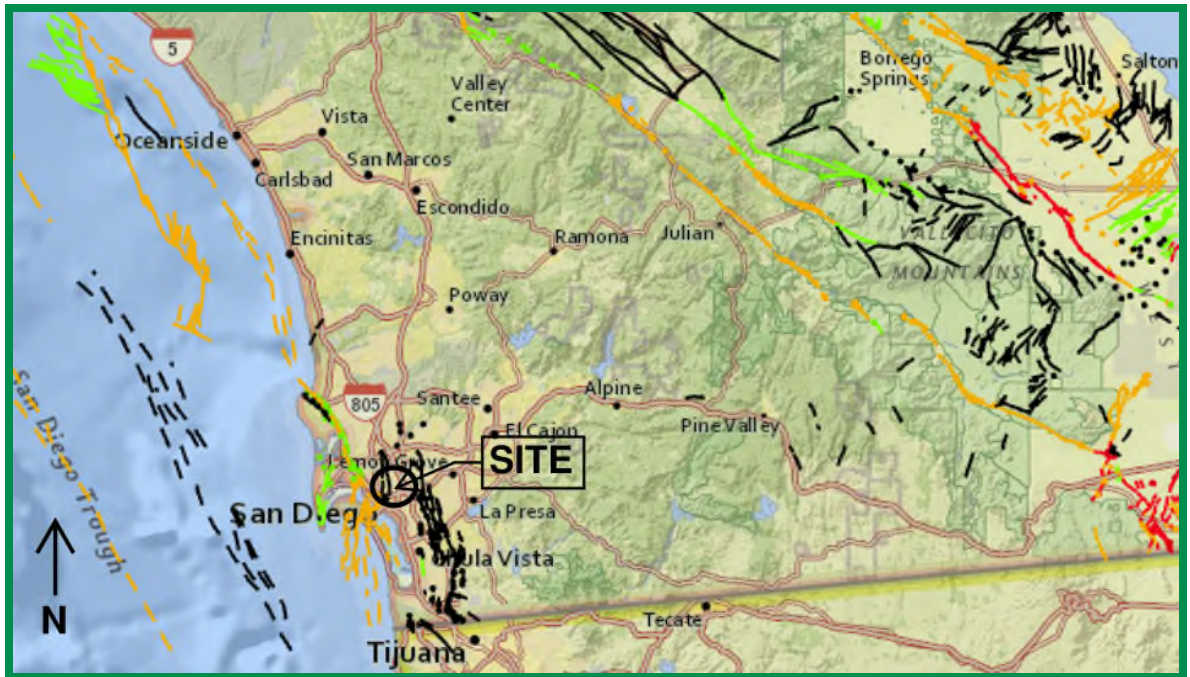


Hazard Category Map

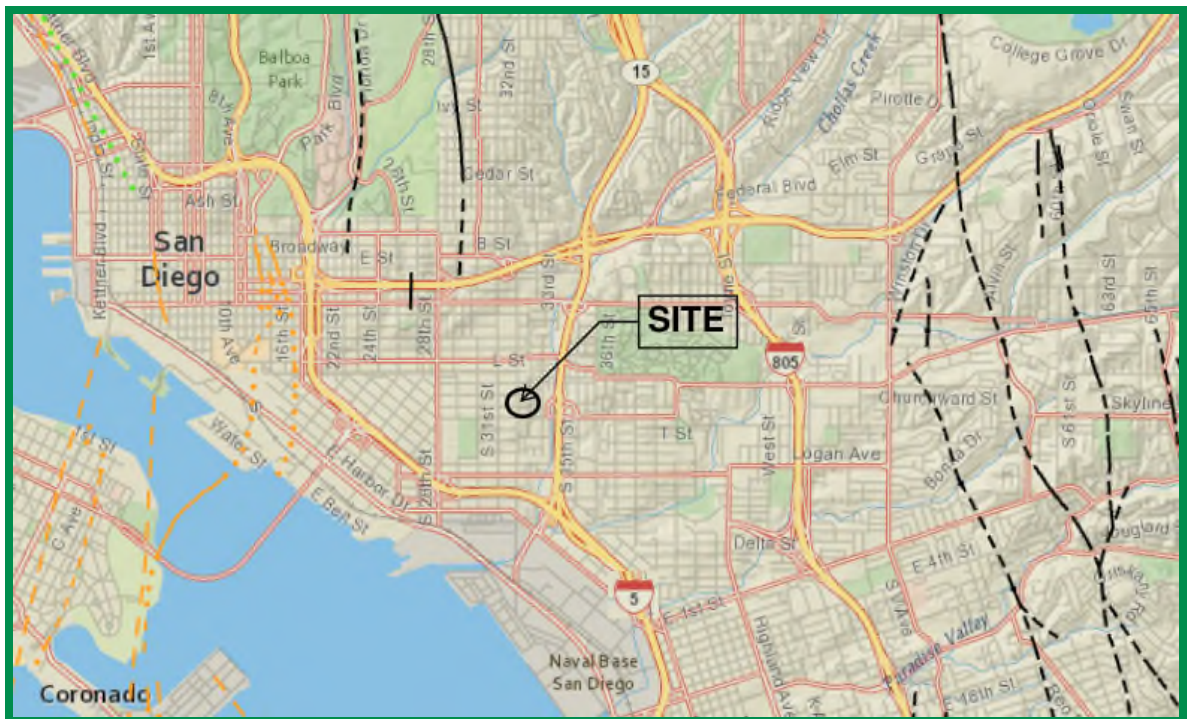
6.2 Faulting and Seismicity

A review of the referenced geologic materials and our knowledge of the general area indicate that the site is not underlain by active, potentially active, or inactive faults. An active fault is defined by the California Geological Survey (CGS) as a fault showing evidence for activity within the last 11,700 years. The site is not located within a State of California Earthquake Fault Zone.

The USGS has developed a program to evaluate the approximate location of faulting in the area of properties. The following figure shows the location of the existing faulting in the San Diego County and Southern California region. The fault traces are shown as solid, dashed and dotted that represent well-constrained, moderately constrained and inferred, respectively. The fault line colors represent fault with ages less than 150 years (red), 15,000 years (orange), 130,000 years (green), 750,000 years (blue) and 1.6 million years (black).

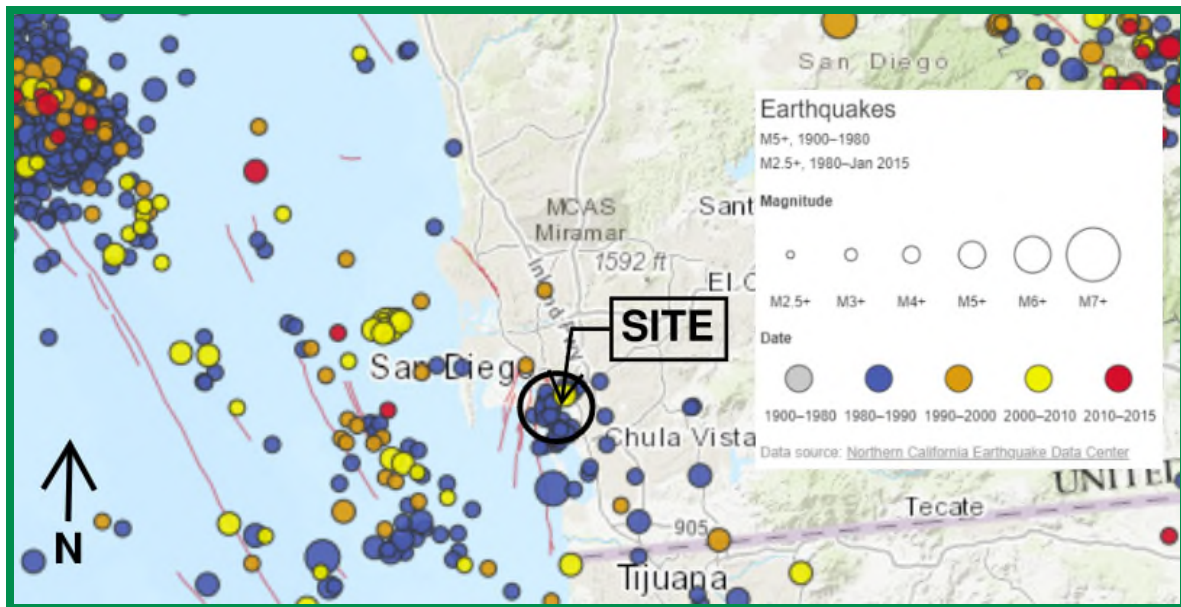


Faults in Southern California



Faults Near Site

The San Diego County and Southern California region is seismically active. The following figure presents the occurrence of earthquakes with a magnitude greater than 2.5 from the period of 1900 through 2015 according to the Bay Area Earthquake Alliance website.



Earthquakes in Southern California

Considerations important in seismic design include the frequency and duration of motion and the soil conditions underlying the site. Seismic design of structures should be evaluated in accordance with the California Building Code (CBC) guidelines currently adopted by the local agency.

7. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 General

- 7.1.1 We did not encounter soil or geologic conditions during our exploration that would preclude the proposed park improvement, provided the recommendations presented herein are followed and implemented during design and construction.
- 7.1.2 With the exception of possible moderate to strong seismic shaking, we did not observe or know of significant geologic hazards to exist at the site that would adversely affect the proposed project.
- 7.1.3 The undocumented fill is potentially compressible and unsuitable in their present condition for the support of compacted fill or settlement-sensitive improvements. Remedial grading of this material should be performed prior to placing improvements. The Old Paralic Deposits and San Diego Formation are considered suitable for the support of proposed fill, improvements, and structural loads.
- 7.1.4 We did not encounter groundwater during our subsurface exploration and we do not expect it to be a constraint to project development. However, seepage within surficial soils may be encountered during the grading operations due to irrigation and especially during the rainy season.
- 7.1.5 Excavation of the undocumented fill, Old Paralic Deposits, and San Diego Formation should generally be possible with moderate to heavy effort using conventional, heavy-duty equipment during improvement operations.
- 7.1.6 Proper drainage should be maintained in order to preserve the engineering properties of the fill in areas of improvements. Recommendations for site drainage are provided herein.
- 7.1.7 Based on the results of our field infiltration testing and laboratory testing, infiltration rates were negligible, therefore, we opine full or partial infiltration on the property should be considered infeasible as discussed in Appendix C. In addition, vertical infiltration rates within the existing soils will be very low.
- 7.1.8 Based on our review of the project plans, we opine the planned park improvement can be constructed in accordance with our recommendations provided herein. We do not expect the planned improvement will destabilize or result in settlement of adjacent properties if properly constructed.

7.2 Excavation and Soil Characteristics

7.2.1 Excavation of the in-situ soils should be possible with moderate to heavy effort using conventional heavy-duty equipment.

7.2.2 We performed laboratory tests on samples of the site materials to evaluate its expansion index. Appendix B presents the results of the laboratory expansion index tests. The soil encountered in the field investigation is considered to be “expansive” (expansion index [EI] greater than 20) as defined by 2019 California Building Code (CBC) Section 1803.5.3. Table 7.2 presents soil classifications based on the expansion index. We expect a majority of the existing soils possess a “very low” to “medium” expansion potential (EI of 90 or less).

TABLE 7.2
EXPANSION CLASSIFICATION BASED ON EXPANSION INDEX

Expansion Index (EI)	ASTM D 4829 Expansion Classification	2019 CBC Expansion Classification
0 – 20	Very Low	Non-Expansive
21 – 50	Low	Expansive
51 – 90	Medium	
91 – 130	High	
Greater Than 130	Very High	

7.2.3 We performed laboratory tests on samples of the site materials to evaluate the percentage of water-soluble sulfate content. Appendix B presents results of the laboratory water-soluble sulfate content tests. The test results indicate the on-site materials at the locations tested possess “S0” sulfate exposure to concrete structures as defined by 2019 CBC Section 1904 and ACI 318-14 Chapter 19.

7.2.4 Geocon Incorporated does not practice in the field of corrosion engineering. Therefore, further evaluation by a corrosion engineer may be performed if improvements susceptible to corrosion are planned.

7.3 Grading

7.3.1 Grading should be performed in accordance with the recommendations provided in this report and the City of San Diego grading guidelines. A representative of the geotechnical engineer should observe the grading operations on a full-time basis and provide testing during fill placement.

- 7.3.2 Prior to commencing grading, a preconstruction conference should be held at the site with the City of San Diego inspector, grading and underground contractors, civil engineer, and geotechnical engineer in attendance. Special soil handling and/or the grading plans can be discussed at that time.
- 7.3.3 Site preparation should begin with the removal of deleterious material, debris and vegetation. The depth of removals should be such that material exposed is firm and unsaturated. The depth of vegetation removal should be such that material exposed in cut areas or soil to be used as fill is relatively free of organic matter. Material generated during stripping and/or site demolition should be exported from the site. Asphalt and concrete should not be mixed with the fill soil unless approved by the Geotechnical Engineer and the regulatory agency. A representative of the geotechnical engineer should be on-site to evaluate the limits of removals.
- 7.3.4 Abandoned foundations and buried utilities (if encountered) should be removed and the resultant depressions and/or trenches should be backfilled with properly compacted material as part of the remedial grading.
- 7.3.5 We expect foundations for the proposed shade structure will be supported on drilled piers, embedded within the Old Paralac Deposits and San Diego Formation. A geotechnical engineer should be on-site during drilling operations to verify the depths of excavations.
- 7.3.6 Remedial grading should consist of removing the upper two feet of existing soils across the site and replaced as properly compacted fill. The removals should extend at least 2 feet outside of the improvement area, where possible.
- 7.3.7 Prior to fill soil being placed, the exposed bottom should be scarified, moisture conditioned as necessary, and compacted to a depth of at least 12 inches. Deeper removals may be required if saturated or loose soil is encountered.
- 7.3.8 The site should then be brought to final subgrade elevations with fill compacted in layers. In general, soil native to the site is suitable for use from a geotechnical engineering standpoint as fill if relatively free from vegetation, debris and other deleterious material. Layers of fill should be about 6 to 8 inches in loose thickness and no thicker than will allow for adequate bonding and compaction. Fill, including backfill and scarified ground surfaces, should be compacted to a dry density of at least 90 percent of the laboratory maximum dry density near to slightly above optimum moisture content in accordance with ASTM Test Procedure D 1557. Fill materials placed below optimum moisture content may require additional moisture conditioning prior to placing additional fill.

7.4 Seismic Design Criteria – 2019 California Building Code

7.4.1 Table 7.4.1 summarizes site-specific design criteria obtained from the 2019 California Building Code (CBC; Based on the 2018 International Building Code [IBC] and ASCE 7-16), Chapter 16 Structural Design, Section 1613 Earthquake Loads. We used the computer program *U.S. Seismic Design Maps*, provided by the Structural Engineers Association (SEA) to calculate the seismic design parameters. The short spectral response uses a period of 0.2 second. We evaluated the Site Class based on the discussion in Section 1613.2.2 of the 2019 CBC and Table 20.3-1 of ASCE 7-16. The values presented herein are for the risk-targeted maximum considered earthquake (MCE_R). Sites designated as Site Class D, E and F may require additional analyses if requested by the project structural engineer and client.

TABLE 7.4.1
2019 CBC SEISMIC DESIGN PARAMETERS

Parameter	Value	2019 CBC Reference
Site Class	D	Section 1613.2.2
MCE_R Ground Motion Spectral Response Acceleration – Class B (short), S_s	1.358g	Figure 1613.2.1(1)
MCE_R Ground Motion Spectral Response Acceleration – Class B (1 sec), S_1	0.458g	Figure 1613.2.1(2)
Site Coefficient, F_A	1.0	Table 1613.2.3(1)
Site Coefficient, F_V	1.842*	Table 1613.2.3(2)
Site Class Modified MCE_R Spectral Response Acceleration (short), S_{MS}	1.358g	Section 1613.2.3 (Eqn 16-36)
Site Class Modified MCE_R Spectral Response Acceleration – (1 sec), S_{M1}	0.843g*	Section 1613.2.3 (Eqn 16-37)
5% Damped Design Spectral Response Acceleration (short), S_{DS}	0.906g	Section 1613.2.4 (Eqn 16-38)
5% Damped Design Spectral Response Acceleration (1 sec), S_{D1}	0.562g*	Section 1613.2.4 (Eqn 16-39)

* Using the code-based values presented in this table, in lieu of a performing a ground motion hazard analysis, requires the exceptions outlined in ASCE 7-16 Section 11.4.8 be followed by the project structural engineer. Per Section 11.4.8 of ASCE/SEI 7-16, a ground motion hazard analysis should be performed for projects for Site Class “E” sites with S_s greater than or equal to 1.0g and for Site Class “D” and “E” sites with S_1 greater than 0.2g. Section 11.4.8 also provides exceptions which indicates that the ground motion hazard analysis may be waived provided the exceptions are followed.

7.4.2 Table 7.4.2 presents the mapped maximum considered geometric mean (MCE_G) seismic design parameters for projects located in Seismic Design Categories of D through F in accordance with ASCE 7-16.

TABLE 7.4.2
ASCE 7-16 PEAK GROUND ACCELERATION

Parameter	Value	ASCE 7-16 Reference
Mapped MCE_G Peak Ground Acceleration, PGA	0.615g	Figure 22-7
Site Coefficient, F_{PGA}	1.1	Table 11.8-1
Site Class Modified MCE_G Peak Ground Acceleration, PGA_M	0.676g	Section 11.8.3 (Eqn 11.8-1)

7.4.3 Conformance to the criteria in Tables 7.4.1 and 7.4.2 for seismic design does not constitute any kind of guarantee or assurance that significant structural damage or ground failure will not occur in the event of a large earthquake. The primary goal of seismic design is to protect life, not to avoid all damage, since such design may be economically prohibitive.

7.4.4 The project structural engineer and architect should evaluate the appropriate Risk Category and Seismic Design Category for the planned structures. The values presented herein assume a Risk Category of I and resulting in a Seismic Design Category D. Table 7.4.3 presents a summary of the risk categories in accordance with ASCE 7-16.

TABLE 7.4.3
ASCE 7-16 RISK CATEGORIES

Risk Category	Building Use	Examples
I	Low risk to Human Life at Failure	Barn, Storage Shelter
II	Nominal Risk to Human Life at Failure (Buildings Not Designated as I, III or IV)	Residential, Commercial and Industrial Buildings
III	Substantial Risk to Human Life at Failure	Theaters, Lecture Halls, Dining Halls, Schools, Prisons, Small Healthcare Facilities, Infrastructure Plants, Storage for Explosives/Toxins
IV	Essential Facilities	Hazardous Material Facilities, Hospitals, Fire and Rescue, Emergency Shelters, Police Stations, Power Stations, Aviation Control Facilities, National Defense, Water Storage

7.5 Drilled Pier Recommendations

7.5.1 We understand that drilled piers will be used for foundation support of the proposed shade structure. Per the referenced plans, the drilled piers will be 30 inches in diameter and extend 5 feet below pad grade. Based on our field investigation, the piers will extend through the

existing fill and into the underlying formational units. The piers should be embedded at least 2 feet into formational materials. A geotechnical engineer should be on-site during the drilling operations to verify the proper depth of the piers.

- 7.5.2 Piers can be designed to develop support by end bearing within the formation and skin friction within fill soil and formation using the design parameters presented in Table 7.5. These allowable values possess a factor of safety of at least 2 for skin friction and end bearing.

TABLE 7.5
SUMMARY OF DRILLED PIER RECOMMENDATIONS

Parameter	Value
Minimum Pile Diameter	30 Inches
Minimum Pile Spacing	3 Times Pile Diameter
Minimum Foundation Embedment Depth	5 Feet
	2 Feet in Formational Materials
Allowable End Bearing Capacity	6,000 psf
Allowable Skin Friction Capacity	300 psf
Estimated Total Settlement	½ Inch
Estimated Differential Settlement	½ Inch in 40 Feet

- 7.5.3 If pier spacing is at least three times the maximum dimension of the pier, no reduction in axial capacity for group effects is considered necessary. If piles are spaced between 2 and 3 pile diameters (center to center), the single pile axial capacity should be reduced by 25 percent. Geocon Incorporated should be contacted to provide single-pile capacity if piers are spaced closer than 2 diameters.
- 7.5.4 The allowable downward capacity may be increased by one-third when considering transient wind or seismic loads.
- 7.5.5 The existing materials may possess cobble layers or very dense zones; therefore, the drilling contractor should expect moderate to difficult drilling conditions during excavations for the piers. Because a significant portion of the piers capacity will be developed by end bearing, the bottom of the borehole should be cleaned of loose cuttings prior to the placement of steel and concrete. Experience indicates that backspinning the auger does not remove loose material and a flat cleanout plate is necessary. We expect localized seepage may be encountered during the drilling operations and casing may be required to maintain the integrity of the pier excavation, particularly if seepage or sidewall instability is encountered.

Concrete should be placed within the excavation as soon as possible after the auger/cleanout plate is withdrawn to reduce the potential for discontinuities or caving.

7.6 Exterior Concrete Flatwork

- 7.6.1 Exterior concrete flatwork not subject to vehicular traffic should be constructed in accordance with the recommendations presented in Table 7.6. The recommended steel reinforcement would help reduce the potential for cracking.

TABLE 7.6
MINIMUM CONCRETE FLATWORK RECOMMENDATIONS

Expansion Index, EI	Minimum Steel Reinforcement* Options	Minimum Thickness
EI ≤ 90	6x6-W2.9/W2.9 (6x6-6/6) welded wire mesh	4 Inches
	No. 3 Bars 18 inches on center, Both Directions	

* In excess of 8 feet square.

- 7.6.2 The subgrade soil should be properly moisturized and compacted prior to the placement of steel and concrete. The subgrade soil should be compacted to a dry density of at least 90 percent of the laboratory maximum dry density near to slightly above optimum moisture content in accordance with ASTM D 1557.
- 7.6.3 Even with the incorporation of the recommendations of this report, the exterior concrete flatwork has a potential to experience some uplift due to expansive soil beneath grade. The steel reinforcement should overlap continuously in flatwork to reduce the potential for vertical offsets within flatwork. Additionally, flatwork should be structurally connected to the curbs, where possible, to reduce the potential for offsets between the curbs and the flatwork.
- 7.6.4 Concrete flatwork should be provided with crack control joints to reduce and/or control shrinkage cracking. Crack control spacing should be determined by the project structural engineer based upon the slab thickness and intended usage. Criteria of the American Concrete Institute (ACI) should be taken into consideration when establishing crack control spacing. Subgrade soil for exterior slabs not subjected to vehicle loads should be compacted in accordance with criteria presented in the grading section prior to concrete placement. Subgrade soil should be properly compacted and the moisture content of subgrade soil should be verified prior to placing concrete. Base materials will not be required below concrete improvements.

- 7.6.5 Where exterior flatwork abuts the structure at entrant or exit points, the exterior slab should be dowelled into the structure's foundation stemwall. This recommendation is intended to reduce the potential for differential elevations that could result from differential settlement or minor heave of the flatwork. Dowelling details should be designed by the project structural engineer.
- 7.6.6 The recommendations presented herein are intended to reduce the potential for cracking of exterior slabs as a result of differential movement. However, even with the incorporation of the recommendations presented herein, slabs-on-grade will still crack. The occurrence of concrete shrinkage cracks is independent of the soil supporting characteristics. Their occurrence may be reduced and/or controlled by limiting the slump of the concrete, the use of crack control joints and proper concrete placement and curing. Crack control joints should be spaced at intervals no greater than 12 feet. Literature provided by the Portland Concrete Association (PCA) and American Concrete Institute (ACI) present recommendations for proper concrete mix, construction, and curing practices, and should be incorporated into project construction.

7.7 Site Drainage and Moisture Protection

- 7.7.1 Adequate site drainage is critical to reduce the potential for differential soil movement, erosion and subsurface seepage. Under no circumstances should water be allowed to pond adjacent to footings. The site should be graded and maintained such that surface drainage is directed away from structures in accordance with 2019 CBC 1804.4 or other applicable standards. In addition, surface drainage should be directed away from the top of slopes into swales or other controlled drainage devices. Roof and pavement drainage should be directed into conduits that carry runoff away from the proposed structure.
- 7.7.2 Underground utilities should be leak free. Utility and irrigation lines should be checked periodically for leaks, and detected leaks should be repaired promptly. Detrimental soil movement could occur if water is allowed to infiltrate the soil for prolonged periods of time.
- 7.7.3 Area drains to collect excess irrigation water and transmit it to drainage structures or impervious above-grade planter boxes can be used. In addition, where landscaping is planned adjacent to the pavement, construction of a cutoff wall along the edge of the pavement that extends at least 6 inches below the bottom of the base material should be considered.

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1. The firm that performed the geotechnical investigation for the project should be retained to provide testing and observation services during construction to provide continuity of geotechnical interpretation and to check that the recommendations presented for geotechnical aspects of site development are incorporated during site grading, construction of improvements, and excavation of foundations. If another geotechnical firm is selected to perform the testing and observation services during construction operations, that firm should prepare a letter indicating their intent to assume the responsibilities of project geotechnical engineer of record. A copy of the letter should be provided to the regulatory agency for their records. In addition, that firm should provide revised recommendations concerning the geotechnical aspects of the proposed development, or a written acknowledgement of their concurrence with the recommendations presented in our report. They should also perform additional analyses deemed necessary to assume the role of Geotechnical Engineer of Record.
2. The recommendations of this report pertain only to the site investigated and are based upon the assumption that the soil conditions do not deviate from those disclosed in the investigation. If any variations or undesirable conditions are encountered during construction, or if the proposed construction will differ from that anticipated herein, Geocon Incorporated should be notified so that supplemental recommendations can be given. The evaluation or identification of the potential presence of hazardous or corrosive materials was not part of the scope of services provided by Geocon Incorporated.
3. This report is issued with the understanding that it is the responsibility of the owner or his representative to ensure that the information and recommendations contained herein are brought to the attention of the architect and engineer for the project and incorporated into the plans, and the necessary steps are taken to see that the contractor and subcontractors carry out such recommendations in the field.
4. The findings of this report are valid as of the present date. However, changes in the conditions of a property can occur with the passage of time, whether they be due to natural processes or the works of man on this or adjacent properties. In addition, changes in applicable or appropriate standards may occur, whether they result from legislation or the broadening of knowledge. Accordingly, the findings of this report may be invalidated wholly or partially by changes outside our control. Therefore, this report is subject to review and should not be relied upon after a period of three years.

APPENDIX

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APPENDIX A

FIELD INVESTIGATION

We performed the field geotechnical and stormwater investigation on January 4, 2021 using a CME 51, hollow-stem drill rig with North County Drilling. Borings extended to maximum depth of approximately 7 feet. The locations of the exploratory borings are shown on the Geologic Map. The boring logs are presented in this Appendix. We located the borings in the field using a measuring tape and existing reference points; therefore, actual boring locations may deviate slightly.

We obtained samples during our subsurface exploration in the borings using a California split-spoon sampler or a Standard Penetration Test (SPT) sampler. Both samplers are composed of steel and are driven to obtain the soil samples. The California sampler has an inside diameter of 2.5 inches and an outside diameter of 3 inches. Up to 18 rings are placed inside the sampler that is 2.4 inches in diameter and 1 inch in height. The SPT sampler has an inside diameter of 1.5 inches and an outside diameter of 2 inches. We obtained ring samples in moisture-tight containers at appropriate intervals and transported them to the laboratory for testing. The type of sample is noted on the exploratory boring logs.

The samplers were driven 12 inches and 18 inches using the California and SPT samplers, respectively, into the bottom of the excavations with the use of an automatic down-hole hammer. The sampler is connected to A rods and driven into the bottom of the excavation using a 140-pound hammer with a 30-inch drop. Blow counts are recorded for every 6 inches the sampler is driven. The penetration resistances shown on the boring logs are shown in terms of blows per foot. The values indicated on the boring logs are the sum of the last 12 inches of the sampler. If the sampler was not driven for 12 inches, an approximate value is calculated in terms of blows per foot or the final 6-inch interval is reported. These values are not to be taken as N-values as adjustments have not been applied. We estimated elevations shown on the boring logs either from a topographic map or by using a benchmark. Each excavation was backfilled as noted on the boring logs.

We visually examined, classified, and logged the soil encountered in the borings in general accordance with American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) practice for Description and Identification of Soils (Visual-Manual Procedure D 2488). The logs depict the soil and geologic conditions observed and the depth at which samples were obtained.

DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE NO.	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	BORING B 1		PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>82'</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>01-04-2021</u>			
					EQUIPMENT <u>CME 51</u> BY: <u>J. LANCASTER</u>				
					MATERIAL DESCRIPTION				
0				SM/SC	UNDOCUMENTED FILL (Qudf) Loose, moist, dark grayish brown, Silty to Clayey, fine SAND; trace organics				
2				SM	OLD PARALIC DEPOSITS (Qop) Medium-dense, moist dark yellowish brown, Clayey, fine SAND				
4									
6	B1-1			SM	SAN DIEGO FORMATION (Tsd) Medium-dense, damp, light yellowish brown, Silty, fine SANDSTONE; micaceous		47	95.3	7.0
					BORING TERMINATED AT 7 FEET No groundwater encountered Backfilled with soil				

Figure A-1,
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SAMPLE SYMBOLS		... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL		... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST		... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
		... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE		... CHUNK SAMPLE		... WATER TABLE OR ... SEEPAGE

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DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE NO.	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	BORING B 2 ELEV. (MSL.) <u>82'</u> DATE COMPLETED <u>01-04-2021</u> EQUIPMENT <u>CME 51</u> BY: <u>J. LANCASTER</u>	PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)
0					MATERIAL DESCRIPTION			
				SM/SC	UNDOCUMENTED FILL (Qudf) Loose, moist, dark grayish brown, Silty to Clayey, fine SAND; trace organics			
2	B2-1			SC	OLD PARALIC DEPOSITS (Qop) Medium-dense, moist, dark yellowish brown, Clayey, fine SAND; trace gravel			
4								
6	B2-2			SM	SAN DIEGO FORMATION (Tsd) Very dense, damp, yellowish brown, Silty, fine SANDSTONE; micaceous	71	100.0	9.6
					BORING TERMINATED AT 7 FEET No groundwater encountered Backfilled with soil			

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SAMPLE SYMBOLS	 ... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL	 ... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST	 ... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
	 ... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE	 ... CHUNK SAMPLE	 ... WATER TABLE OR  ... SEEPAGE

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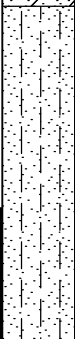
DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE NO.	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	BORING B 3		PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>83'</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>01-04-2021</u>			
					EQUIPMENT <u>CME 51</u>	BY: <u>J. LANCASTER</u>			
0					MATERIAL DESCRIPTION				
				SM/SC	UNDOCUMENTED FILL (Qudf) Loose, moist, dark grayish brown, Silty to Clayey, fine SAND; trace organics				
2				SC	OLD PARALIC DEPOSITS (Qop) Medium dense, moist, dark grayish brown, Clayey, fine to coarse SAND; trace gravel				
4				SM	SAN DIEGO FORMATION (Tsd) Medium-dense, damp, light yellowish brown, Silty, fine SANDSTONE; micaceous -Becomes mottled red				
6	B3-1						45	98.8	9.6
					BORING TERMINATED AT 7 FEET No groundwater encountered Backfilled with soil				

Figure A-3,
Log of Boring B 3, Page 1 of 1

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SAMPLE SYMBOLS		... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL		... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST		... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
		... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE		... CHUNK SAMPLE		... WATER TABLE OR  ... SEEPAGE

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DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE NO.	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	BORING B 4		PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>83'</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>01-04-2021</u>			
					EQUIPMENT <u>CME 51</u>	BY: <u>J. LANCASTER</u>			
0					MATERIAL DESCRIPTION				
				SM/SC	UNDOCUMENTED FILL (Qudf) Loose, moist, dark grayish brown, Silty to Clayey, fine SAND; trace organics				
2				SC	OLD PARALIC DEPOSITS (Qop) Medium-dense, moist, dark grayish reddish brown, Clayey, fine to coarse SAND				
4									
6	B4-1			SM	SAN DIEGO FORMATION (Tsd) Medium-dense, damp, light yellowish grayish brown, Silty, fine SANDSTONE; micaceous				
					BORING TERMINATED AT 7 FEET No groundwater encountered Backfilled with soil				

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SAMPLE SYMBOLS	 ... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL	 ... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST	 ... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
	 ... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE	 ... CHUNK SAMPLE	 ... WATER TABLE OR  ... SEEPAGE

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DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE NO.	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	BORING B 5 ELEV. (MSL.) <u>83'</u> DATE COMPLETED <u>01-04-2021</u> EQUIPMENT <u>CME 51</u> BY: <u>J. LANCASTER</u>	PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)
0					MATERIAL DESCRIPTION			
				SM/SC	UNDOCUMENTED FILL (Qudf) Loose, moist, dark grayish brown, Silty to Clayey, fine SAND; trace organics			
2				CL	OLD PARALIC DEPOSITS (Qop) Firm, moist, dark grayish brown, Sandy CLAY			
4				SC	SAN DIEGO FORMATION (Tsd) Medium-dense, damp, yellowish brown, Silty, fine to medium SANDSTONE; micaceous			
					BORING TERMINATED AT 5 FEET No groundwater encountered Backfilled with soil			

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SAMPLE SYMBOLS	 ... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL	 ... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST	 ... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
	 ... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE	 ... CHUNK SAMPLE	 ... WATER TABLE OR  ... SEEPAGE

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DEPTH IN FEET	SAMPLE NO.	LITHOLOGY	GROUNDWATER	SOIL CLASS (USCS)	BORING B 6		PENETRATION RESISTANCE (BLOWS/FT.)	DRY DENSITY (P.C.F.)	MOISTURE CONTENT (%)
					ELEV. (MSL.) <u>81'</u>	DATE COMPLETED <u>01-04-2021</u>			
					EQUIPMENT <u>CME 51</u> BY: <u>J. LANCASTER</u>				
					MATERIAL DESCRIPTION				
0				SP	PLAYGROUND SAND Loose, dry, gray, fine to coarse SAND				
				SC	OLD PARALIC DEPOSITS (Qop) Medium-dense, dark grayish brown, Clayey, fine SAND				
2									
4				CL	Firm, moist, dark grayish brown, Sandy CLAY				
6				SM	SAN DIEGO FORMATION (Tsd) Medium-dense, damp, yellowish brown, Silty, fine SANDSTONE; micaceous				
					BORING TERMINATED AT 7 FEET No groundwater encountered Backfilled with soil				

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SAMPLE SYMBOLS	 ... SAMPLING UNSUCCESSFUL	 ... STANDARD PENETRATION TEST	 ... DRIVE SAMPLE (UNDISTURBED)
	 ... DISTURBED OR BAG SAMPLE	 ... CHUNK SAMPLE	 ... WATER TABLE OR  ... SEEPAGE

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APPENDIX

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LABORATORY TESTING

We performed laboratory tests in accordance with generally accepted test methods of the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) or other suggested procedures. Selected soil samples were tested for in-place moisture density and moisture content, unconfined compressive strength, direct shear strength, expansion index, and water-soluble sulfate content. The results of our current laboratory tests are presented in the following tables and figures. The in-place dry density and moisture content of the samples tested are presented on the boring logs in Appendix A.

SUMMARY OF LABORATORY UNCONFINED COMPRESSION STRENGTH TEST RESULTS ASTM D 1558

Sample No.	Depth (feet)	Geologic Unit	Hand Penetrometer Reading/Unconfined Compression Strength (tsf)
B1-1	6	Tsd	0.5
B3-1	6	Tsd	0.5

SUMMARY OF LABORATORY EXPANSION INDEX TEST RESULTS ASTM D 4829

Sample No.	Moisture Content (%)		Dry Density (pcf)	Expansion Index	2019 CBC Expansion Classification	ASTM Soil Expansion Classification
	Before Test	After Test				
B2-1	9.3	21.2	110.5	56	Expansive	Medium

SUMMARY OF LABORATORY WATER-SOLUBLE SULFATE TEST RESULTS CALIFORNIA TEST NO. 417

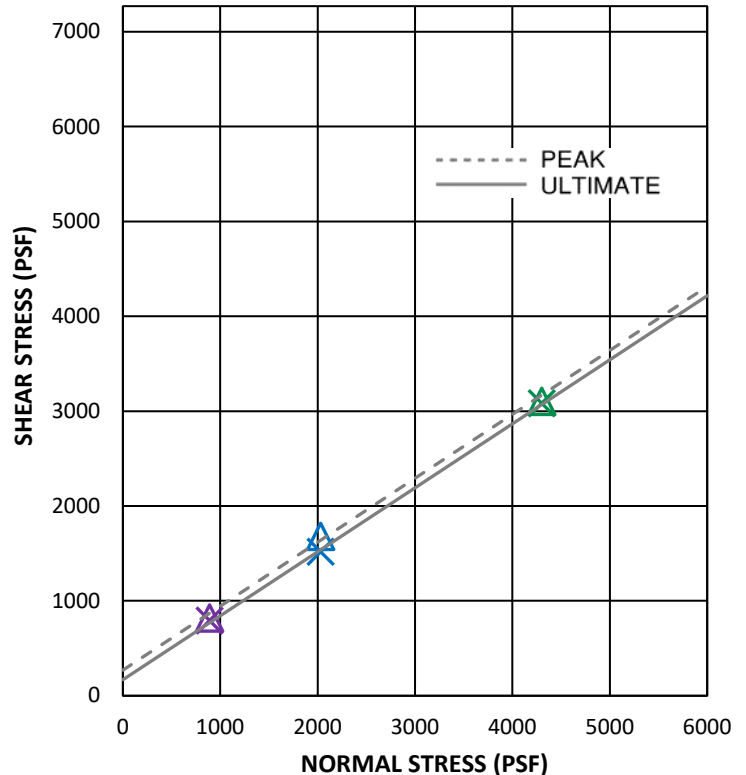
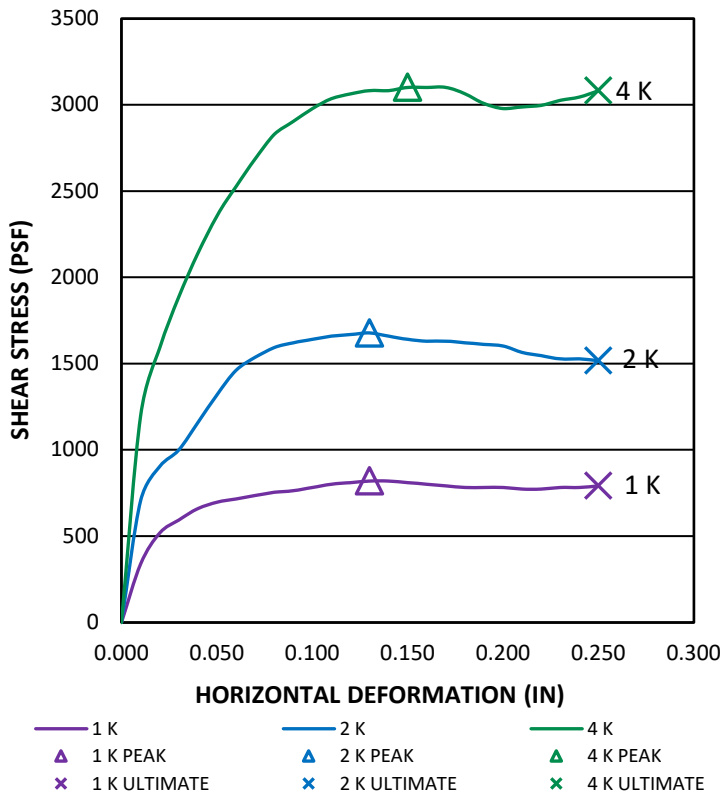
Sample No.	Depth (feet)	Geologic Unit	Water-Soluble Sulfate (%)	ACI 318 Sulfate Exposure
B2-1	2-6	Qop	0.002	S0

SAMPLE NO.: **B2-2** GEOLOGIC UNIT: **Tsd**
 SAMPLE DEPTH (FT): **7** NATURAL/REMOLDED: **N**

INITIAL CONDITIONS				
NORMAL STRESS TEST LOAD	1 K	2 K	4 K	AVERAGE
ACTUAL NORMAL STRESS (PSF):	890	2030	4300	--
WATER CONTENT (%):	10.3	9.5	9.0	9.6
DRY DENSITY (PCF):	100.6	99.8	99.6	100.0

AFTER TEST CONDITIONS				
NORMAL STRESS TEST LOAD	1 K	2 K	4 K	AVERAGE
WATER CONTENT (%):	20.8	21.8	21.6	21.4
PEAK SHEAR STRESS (PSF):	820	1678	3102	--
ULT.-E.O.T. SHEAR STRESS (PSF):	792	1518	3083	--

RESULTS		
PEAK	COHESION, C (PSF)	270
	FRICTION ANGLE (DEGREES)	34
ULTIMATE	COHESION, C (PSF)	170
	FRICTION ANGLE (DEGREES)	34



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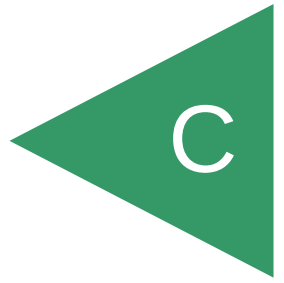
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APPENDIX



APPENDIX C

INFILTRATION FEASIBILITY STUDY

FOR

CLAY AVENUE MINI PARK
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

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INFILTRATION FEASIBILITY STUDY

In accordance with the 2018 City of San Diego Storm Water Standards (SWS), we performed two infiltration tests to evaluate the infiltration characteristics of the on-site soils. If runoff devices are not properly implemented and constructed, there is a potential for distress to improvements and properties located hydrologically down gradient or adjacent to these devices. Factors such as the amount of water to be detained, its residence time, and soil permeability have an important effect on seepage transmission and the potential adverse impacts that may occur if these features are not properly designed and constructed. We have not performed a hydrogeological study at the site. If infiltration of storm water runoff occurs, downstream properties may be subjected to seeps, springs, slope instability, raised groundwater, movement of foundations and slabs, or other undesirable impacts as a result of water infiltration.

Hydrologic Soil Group

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Conservation Services, possesses general information regarding the existing soil conditions for areas within the United States. The USDA website also provides the Hydrologic Soil Group. Table C-1 presents the descriptions of the hydrologic soil groups. If a soil is assigned to a dual hydrologic group (A/D, B/D, or C/D), the first letter is for drained areas and the second is for undrained areas. In addition, the USDA website also provides an estimated saturated hydraulic conductivity for the existing soil.

TABLE C-1
HYDROLOGIC SOIL GROUP DEFINITIONS

Soil Group	Soil Group Definition
A	Soils having a high infiltration rate (low runoff potential) when thoroughly wet. These consist mainly of deep, well drained to excessively drained sands or gravelly sands. These soils have a high rate of water transmission.
B	Soils having a moderate infiltration rate when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of moderately deep or deep, moderately well drained or well drained soils that have moderately fine texture to moderately coarse texture. These soils have a moderate rate of water transmission.
C	Soils having a slow infiltration rate when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of soils having a layer that impedes the downward movement of water or soils of moderately fine texture or fine texture. These soils have a slow rate of water transmission.
D	Soils having a very slow infiltration rate (high runoff potential) when thoroughly wet. These consist chiefly of clays that have a high shrink-swell potential, soils that have a high water table, soils that have a claypan or clay layer at or near the surface, and soils that are shallow over nearly impervious material. These soils have a very slow rate of water transmission.

The property is underlain by Old Paralac Deposits and the San Diego Formation and is mapped as “Urban Land.” The Hydrologic Soil Group Map presents output from the USDA website showing the limits of the soil units.



Hydrologic Soil Group Map

Table C-2 presents the information from the USDA website for the subject property.

TABLE C-2
USDA WEB SOIL SURVEY – HYDROLOGIC SOIL GROUP*

Map Unit Name	Map Unit Symbol	Approximate Percentage of Property	Hydrologic Soil Group	ksAT of Most Limiting Layer (Inches/ Hour)
Urban Land	Ur	100	N/A	0.00 to 0.06

* The areas of the property that possess fill materials should be considered to possess a Hydrologic Soil Group D.

In Situ Testing

We performed constant-head infiltration tests using the Aardvark permeameter at the locations shown on the Geologic Map. Table C-3 presents the results of the infiltration tests. The field data sheets are attached herein. We applied a feasibility factor of safety of 2.0 to our estimated infiltration rates to provide input on Worksheet C.4-1. Soil infiltration rates from in-situ tests can vary significantly from one location to another due to the heterogeneous characteristics inherent to most soil.

TABLE C-3
INFILTRATION TEST RESULTS

Test No.	Geologic Unit	Test Elevation (feet, MSL)	Field-Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity/Infiltration Rate, k_{sat} (inch/hour)	Worksheet Infiltration Rate ¹ (inch/hour)
B-4	Tsd	83	0.005	0.002
B-5	Tsd	83	0.006	0.003
Average			0.006	0.003

¹ Using a Factor of Safety of 2.

Infiltration categories include full infiltration, partial infiltration and no infiltration. Table C-4 presents the commonly accepted definitions of the potential infiltration categories based on the infiltration rates.

TABLE C-4
INFILTRATION CATEGORIES

Infiltration Category	Field Infiltration Rate, I (Inches/Hour)	Factored Infiltration Rate ¹ , I (Inches/Hour)
Full Infiltration	$I > 1.0$	$I > 0.5$
Partial Infiltration	$0.10 < I \leq 1.0$	$0.05 < I \leq 0.5$
No Infiltration (Infeasible)	$I < 0.10$	$I < 0.05$

¹ Using a Factor of Safety of 2.

Based on our observations and test results, the factored infiltration rates for the formational materials onsite (San Diego Formation) is less than 0.05 inches per hour. Therefore, full and partial infiltration on the property is considered infeasible based on the calculated infiltrations rates and the site possesses a “No Infiltration” condition. Vertical cutoff walls or liners should be installed on the sides and bottom of planned infiltration devices and a drain should be installed at the base of the basins. A liner will not be required where incidental infiltration would be allowed.

GEOTECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS

Groundwater Elevations

We did not encounter groundwater or seepage during our site investigation, and we expect a static groundwater elevation exists greater than 50 feet below existing grades. However, it is not uncommon for shallow seepage conditions to develop where none previously existed when sites are irrigated or infiltration is implemented. Groundwater and seepage are dependent on seasonal precipitation, irrigation, land use, among other factors, and varies as a result. Proper surface drainage will be important to future performance of the project. We do not expect groundwater to be encountered during construction of the proposed development

New or Existing Utilities

Utilities are located on and adjacent to the property within the existing parking areas, driveways, and roadways. Therefore, full and partial infiltration within the areas near these utilities should be considered infeasible. Setbacks for infiltration should be incorporated if infiltration were to be considered. The setback for infiltration devices should be a minimum of 10 feet and a 1:1 plane of 1 foot below the closest edge of the deepest adjacent utility.

Soil or Groundwater Contamination

We are unaware of contaminated soil on the property. Therefore, infiltration associated with this risk is considered feasible. In addition, groundwater mounding would not be a concern due to the lack of a near surface groundwater table.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Infiltration Narrative

We performed the infiltration testing on the property in areas where the formational materials are relatively near the existing grades and where the infiltration would be likely. This included discussions with the project team on accessibility and evaluated the lower elevations where drainage would be directed.

Infiltration Evaluation Conclusion

Based on the results of our infiltration tests performed within the existing formational materials (less than 0.05 inches per hour), we opine full and partial infiltration on the property is considered infeasible and the property possesses a “No Infiltration” condition.

Storm Water Standard Worksheets

The SWS requests the geotechnical engineer complete the Categorization of Infiltration Feasibility Condition (Worksheet C.4-1 or I-8) worksheet information to help evaluate the potential for infiltration on the property. Worksheet C.4-1 presents the completed information for the submittal process and is attached herein.

The regional storm water standards also have a worksheet (Worksheet D.5-1 or Form I-9) that helps the project civil engineer estimate the factor of safety based on several factors. Table C-5 describes the suitability assessment input parameters related to the geotechnical engineering aspects for the factor of safety determination.

TABLE C-5
SUITABILITY ASSESSMENT RELATED CONSIDERATIONS FOR INFILTRATION FACILITY
SAFETY FACTORS

Consideration	High Concern – 3 Points	Medium Concern – 2 Points	Low Concern – 1 Point
Assessment Methods	Use of soil survey maps or simple texture analysis to estimate short-term infiltration rates. Use of well permeameter or borehole methods without accompanying continuous boring log. Relatively sparse testing with direct infiltration methods	Use of well permeameter or borehole methods with accompanying continuous boring log. Direct measurement of infiltration area with localized infiltration measurement methods (e.g., Infiltrometer). Moderate spatial resolution	Direct measurement with localized (i.e. small-scale) infiltration testing methods at relatively high resolution or use of extensive test pit infiltration measurement methods.
Predominant Soil Texture	Silty and clayey soils with significant fines	Loamy soils	Granular to slightly loamy soils
Site Soil Variability	Highly variable soils indicated from site assessment or unknown variability	Soil boring/test pits indicate moderately homogenous soils	Soil boring/test pits indicate relatively homogenous soils
Depth to Groundwater/ Impervious Layer	<5 feet below facility bottom	5-15 feet below facility bottom	>15 feet below facility bottom

Based on our geotechnical investigation and the previous table, Table C-6 presents the estimated factor values for the evaluation of the factor of safety. This table only presents the suitability assessment safety factor (Part A) of the worksheet. The project civil engineer should evaluate the safety factor for design (Part B) and use the combined safety factor for the design infiltration rate.

TABLE C-6
FACTOR OF SAFETY WORKSHEET DESIGN VALUES – PART A1

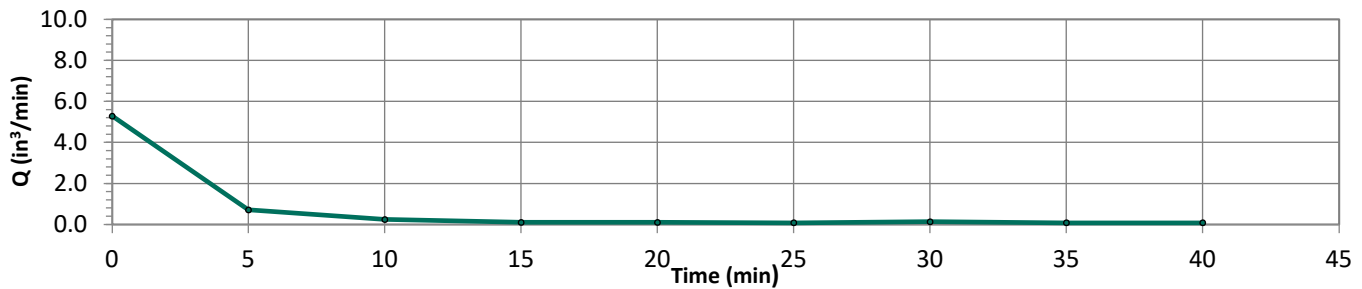
Suitability Assessment Factor Category	Assigned Weight (w)	Factor Value (v)	Product (p = w x v)
Assessment Methods	0.25	2	0.50
Predominant Soil Texture	0.25	2	0.50
Site Soil Variability	0.25	2	0.50
Depth to Groundwater/ Impervious Layer	0.25	1	0.25
Suitability Assessment Safety Factor, $S_A = \sum p$			1.75

* The project civil engineer should complete Worksheet D.5-1 or Form I-9 using the data on this table. Additional information is required to evaluate the design factor of safety.

TEST NO.: **B-4**GEOLOGIC UNIT: **Tsd**EXCAVATION ELEVATION (MSL, FT): **83**

TEST INFORMATION	
BOREHOLE DIAMETER (IN):	6
BOREHOLE DEPTH (FT):	7.3
TEST/BOTTOM ELEVATION (MSL, FT):	76
MEASURED HEAD HEIGHT (IN):	13.5
CALCULATED HEAD HEIGHT (IN):	13.7
FACTOR OF SAFETY:	2.0

TEST RESULTS	
STEADY FLOW RATE (IN ³ /MIN):	0.102
FIELD-SATURATED INFILTRATION RATE (IN/HR):	0.005
FACTORED INFILTRATION RATE (IN/HR):	0.002



TEST DATA				
Reading	Time Elapsed (min)	Water Weight Consumed (lbs)	Water Volume Consumed (in ³)	Q (in ³ /min)
1	0.00	0.000	0.00	0.00
2	5.00	0.955	26.45	5.289
3	5.00	0.130	3.60	0.720
4	5.00	0.045	1.25	0.249
5	5.00	0.020	0.55	0.111
6	5.00	0.020	0.55	0.111
7	5.00	0.015	0.42	0.083
8	5.00	0.025	0.69	0.138
9	5.00	0.015	0.42	0.083
10	5.00	0.015	0.42	0.083

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AARDVARK PERMEAMETER TEST RESULTS

CLAY AVENUE MINI-PARK

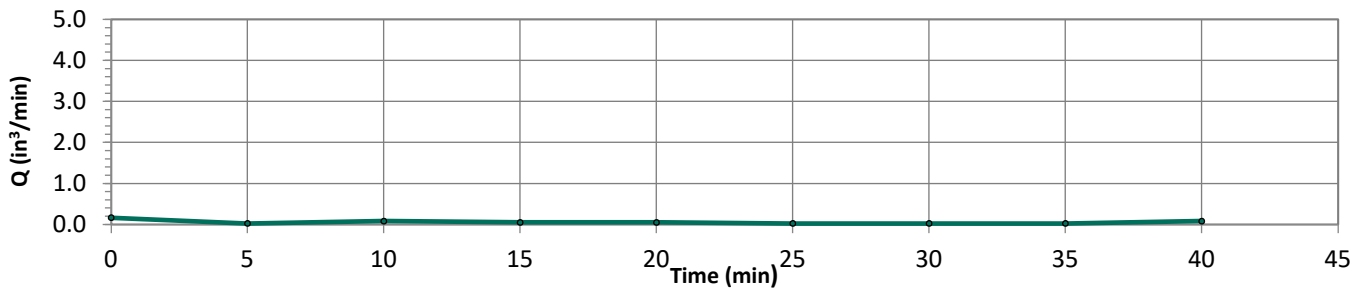
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TEST NO.: **B-5**GEOLOGIC UNIT: **Tsd**EXCAVATION ELEVATION (MSL, FT): **83**

TEST INFORMATION	
BOREHOLE DIAMETER (IN):	6
BOREHOLE DEPTH (FT):	5.2
TEST/BOTTOM ELEVATION (MSL, FT):	78
MEASURED HEAD HEIGHT (IN):	4.0
CALCULATED HEAD HEIGHT (IN):	5.4
FACTOR OF SAFETY:	2.0

TEST RESULTS	
STEADY FLOW RATE (IN ³ /MIN):	0.046
FIELD-SATURATED INFILTRATION RATE (IN/HR):	0.006
FACTORED INFILTRATION RATE (IN/HR):	0.003



TEST DATA				
Reading	Time Elapsed (min)	Water Weight Consumed (lbs)	Water Volume Consumed (in ³)	Q (in ³ /min)
1	0.00	0.000	0.00	0.00
2	5.00	0.030	0.83	0.166
3	5.00	0.005	0.14	0.028
4	5.00	0.015	0.42	0.083
5	5.00	0.010	0.28	0.055
6	5.00	0.010	0.28	0.055
7	5.00	0.005	0.14	0.028
8	5.00	0.005	0.14	0.028
9	5.00	0.005	0.14	0.028
10	5.00	0.015	0.42	0.083

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CLAY AVENUE MINI-PARK

PROJECT NO.:

G2645-11-01

Categorization of Infiltration Feasibility Condition based on Geotechnical Conditions		Worksheet C.4-1: Form I- 8A ¹⁰
Part 1 - Full Infiltration Feasibility Screening Criteria		
DMA(s) Being Analyzed:		Project Phase:
Clay Avenue Mini Park		Design
Criteria 1: Infiltration Rate Screening		
1A	Is the mapped hydrologic soil group according to the NRCS Web Soil Survey or UC Davis Soil Web Mapper Type A or B and corroborated by available site soil data¹¹? ☐ Yes; the DMA may feasibly support full infiltration. Answer “Yes” to Criteria 1 Result or continue to Step 1B if the applicant elects to perform infiltration testing. ☐ No; the mapped soil types are A or B but is not corroborated by available site soil data (continue to Step 1B). ☒ No; the mapped soil types are C, D, or “urban/unclassified” and is corroborated by available site soil data. Answer “No” to Criteria 1 Result. ☐ No; the mapped soil types are C, D, or “urban/unclassified” but is not corroborated by available site soil data (continue to Step 1B).	
1B	Is the reliable infiltration rate calculated using planning phase methods from Table D.3-1? ☒ Yes; Continue to Step 1C. ☐ No; Skip to Step 1D.	
1C	Is the reliable infiltration rate calculated using planning phase methods from Table D.3-1 greater than 0.5 inches per hour? ☐ Yes; the DMA may feasibly support full infiltration. Answer “Yes” to Criteria 1 Result. ☒ No; full infiltration is not required. Answer “No” to Criteria 1 Result.	
1D	Infiltration Testing Method. Is the selected infiltration testing method suitable during the design phase (see Appendix D.3)? Note: Alternative testing standards may be allowed with appropriate rationales and documentation. ☐ Yes; continue to Step 1E. ☐ No; select an appropriate infiltration testing method.	

Note that it is not required to investigate each and every criterion in the worksheet, a single “no” answer in Part 1, Part 2, Part 3, or Part 4 determines a full, partial, or no infiltration condition.

¹⁰ This form must be completed each time there is a change to the site layout that would affect the infiltration feasibility condition. Previously completed forms shall be retained to document the evolution of the site storm water design.

¹¹ Available data include site-specific sampling or observation of soil types or texture classes, such as obtained from borings or test pits necessary to support other design elements.

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1E	Number of Percolation/Infiltration Tests. Does the infiltration testing method performed satisfy the minimum number of tests specified in Table D.3-2? ☐ Yes; continue to Step 1F. ☐ No; conduct appropriate number of tests.	
1F	Factor of Safety. Is the suitable Factor of Safety selected for full infiltration design? See guidance in D.5; Tables D.5-1 and D.5-2; and Worksheet D.5-1 (Form I-9). ☐ Yes; continue to Step 1G. ☐ No; select appropriate factor of safety.	
1G	Full Infiltration Feasibility. Is the average measured infiltration rate divided by the Factor of Safety greater than 0.5 inches per hour? ☐ Yes; answer "Yes" to Criteria 1 Result. ☐ No; answer "No" to Criteria 1 Result.	
Criteria 1 Result	Is the estimated reliable infiltration rate greater than 0.5 inches per hour within the DMA where runoff can reasonably be routed to a BMP? ☐ Yes; the DMA may feasibly support full infiltration. Continue to Criteria 2. ☒ No; full infiltration is not required. Skip to Part 1 Result.	
Summarize infiltration testing methods, testing locations, replicates, and results and summarize estimates of reliable infiltration rates according to procedures outlined in D.5. Documentation should be included in project geotechnical report. We performed 2 infiltration tests in the areas of the site within the underlying San Diego Formation. The results indicate an average rate of 0.003 inches per hour (with an applied factor of safety of 2). Therefore, full infiltration is considered infeasible at the site.		

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Criteria 2: Geologic/Geotechnical Screening			
2A	If all questions in Step 2A are answered “Yes,” continue to Step 2B. For any “No” answer in Step 2A answer “No” to Criteria 2, and submit an “Infiltration Feasibility Condition Letter” that meets the requirements in Appendix C.1.1. The geologic/geotechnical analyses listed in Appendix C.2.1 do not apply to the DMA because one of the following setbacks cannot be avoided and therefore result in the DMA being in a no infiltration condition. The setbacks must be the closest horizontal radial distance from the surface edge (at the overflow elevation) of the BMP.		
2A-1	Can the proposed full infiltration BMP(s) avoid areas with existing fill materials greater than 5 feet thick below the infiltrating surface?	☐ Yes	☐ No
2A-2	Can the proposed full infiltration BMP(s) avoid placement within 10 feet of existing underground utilities, structures, or retaining walls?	☐ Yes	☐ No
2A-3	Can the proposed full infiltration BMP(s) avoid placement within 50 feet of a natural slope (>25%) or within a distance of 1.5H from fill slopes where H is the height of the fill slope?	☐ Yes	☐ No
2B	When full infiltration is determined to be feasible, a geotechnical investigation report must be prepared that considers the relevant factors identified in Appendix C.2.1. If all questions in Step 2B are answered “Yes,” then answer “Yes” to Criteria 2 Result. If there are “No” answers continue to Step 2C.		
2B-1	Hydroconsolidation. Analyze hydroconsolidation potential per approved ASTM standard due to a proposed full infiltration BMP. Can full infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing hydroconsolidation risks?	☐ Yes	☐ No
2B-2	Expansive Soils. Identify expansive soils (soils with an expansion index greater than 20) and the extent of such soils due to proposed full infiltration BMPs. Can full infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing expansive soil risks?	☐ Yes	☐ No

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2B-3	Liquefaction. If applicable, identify mapped liquefaction areas. Evaluate liquefaction hazards in accordance with Section 6.4.2 of the City of San Diego's Guidelines for Geotechnical Reports (2011 or most recent edition). Liquefaction hazard assessment shall take into account any increase in groundwater elevation or groundwater mounding that could occur as a result of proposed infiltration or percolation facilities. Can full infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing liquefaction risks?	☐ Yes	☐ No
2B-4	Slope Stability. If applicable, perform a slope stability analysis in accordance with the ASCE and Southern California Earthquake Center (2002) Recommended Procedures for Implementation of DMG Special Publication 117, Guidelines for Analyzing and Mitigating Landslide Hazards in California to determine minimum slope setbacks for full infiltration BMPs. See the City of San Diego's Guidelines for Geotechnical Reports (2011) to determine which type of slope stability analysis is required. Can full infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing slope stability risks?	☐ Yes	☐ No
2B-5	Other Geotechnical Hazards. Identify site-specific geotechnical hazards not already mentioned (refer to Appendix C.2.1). Can full infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing risk of geologic or geotechnical hazards not already mentioned?	☐ Yes	☐ No
2B-6	Setbacks. Establish setbacks from underground utilities, structures, and/or retaining walls. Reference applicable ASTM or other recognized standard in the geotechnical report. Can full infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA using established setbacks from underground utilities, structures, and/or retaining walls?	☐ Yes	☐ No

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2C	Mitigation Measures. Propose mitigation measures for each geologic/geotechnical hazard identified in Step 2B. Provide a discussion of geologic/geotechnical hazards that would prevent full infiltration BMPs that cannot be reasonably mitigated in the geotechnical report. See Appendix C.2.1.8 for a list of typically reasonable and typically unreasonable mitigation measures. Can mitigation measures be proposed to allow for full infiltration BMPs? If the question in Step 2 is answered “Yes,” then answer “Yes” to Criteria 2 Result. If the question in Step 2C is answered “No,” then answer “No” to Criteria 2 Result.	☐ Yes	☐ No
Criteria 2 Result	Can infiltration greater than 0.5 inches per hour be allowed without increasing risk of geologic or geotechnical hazards that cannot be reasonably mitigated to an acceptable level?	☐ Yes	☐ No
Summarize findings and basis; provide references to related reports or exhibits. We performed 2 infiltration tests in the areas of the site within the underlying San Diego Formation. The results indicate an average rate of 0.003 inches per hour (with an applied factor of safety of 2). Therefore, full infiltration is considered infeasible at the site.			
Part 1 Result – Full Infiltration Geotechnical Screening¹²		Result	
If answers to both Criteria 1 and Criteria 2 are “Yes”, a full infiltration design is potentially feasible based on Geotechnical conditions only. If either answer to Criteria 1 or Criteria 2 is “No”, a full infiltration design is not required.		☐ Full infiltration Condition ☒ Complete Part 2	

¹² To be completed using gathered site information and best professional judgement considering the definition of MEP in the MS4 Permit. Additional testing and/or studies may be required by City Engineer to substantiate findings.

Categorization of Infiltration Feasibility Condition based on Geotechnical Conditions		Worksheet C.4-1: Form I- 8A ¹⁰
Part 2 – Partial vs. No Infiltration Feasibility Screening Criteria		
DMA(s) Being Analyzed:		Project Phase:
Clay Avenue Mini Park		Design
Criteria 3: Infiltration Rate Screening		
3A	NRCS Type C, D, or “urban/unclassified”: Is the mapped hydrologic soil group according to the NRCS Web Soil Survey or UC Davis Soil Web Mapper is Type C, D, or “urban/unclassified” and corroborated by available site soil data? ☐ Yes; the site is mapped as C soils and a reliable infiltration rate of 0.15 in/hr. is used to size partial infiltration BMPS. Answer “Yes” to Criteria 3 Result. ☐ Yes; the site is mapped as D soils or “urban/unclassified” and a reliable infiltration rate of 0.05 in/hr. is used to size partial infiltration BMPS. Answer “Yes” to Criteria 3 Result. ☒ No; infiltration testing is conducted (refer to Table D.3–1), continue to Step 3B.	
3B	Infiltration Testing Result: Is the reliable infiltration rate (i.e. average measured infiltration rate/2) greater than 0.05 in/hr. and less than or equal to 0.5 in/hr? ☐ Yes; the site may support partial infiltration. Answer “Yes” to Criteria 3 Result. ☒ No; the reliable infiltration rate (i.e. average measured rate/2) is less than 0.05 in/hr., partial infiltration is not required. Answer “No” to Criteria 3 Result.	
Criteria 3 Result	Is the estimated reliable infiltration rate (i.e., average measured infiltration rate/2) greater than or equal to 0.05 inches/hour and less than or equal to 0.5 inches/hour at any location within each DMA where runoff can reasonably be routed to a BMP? ☐ Yes; Continue to Criteria 4. ☒ No; Skip to Part 2 Result.	
Summarize infiltration testing and/or mapping results (i.e. soil maps and series description used for infiltration rate). We performed 2 infiltration tests in the areas of the site within the underlying San Diego Formation. The results indicate an average rate of 0.003 inches per hour (with an applied factor of safety of 2). Therefore, partial infiltration is considered infeasible at the site.		

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Criteria 4: Geologic/Geotechnical Screening			
4A	If all questions in Step 4A are answered “Yes,” continue to Step 4B. For any “No” answer in Step 4A answer “No” to Criteria 4 Result, and submit an “Infiltration Feasibility Condition Letter” that meets the requirements in Appendix C.1.1. The geologic/geotechnical analyses listed in Appendix C.2.1 do not apply to the DMA because one of the following setbacks cannot be avoided and therefore result in the DMA being in a no infiltration condition. The setbacks must be the closest horizontal radial distance from the surface edge (at the overflow elevation) of the BMP.		
4A-1	Can the proposed partial infiltration BMP(s) avoid areas with existing fill materials greater than 5 feet thick?	☐ Yes	☐ No
4A-2	Can the proposed partial infiltration BMP(s) avoid placement within 10 feet of existing underground utilities, structures, or retaining walls?	☐ Yes	☐ No
4A-3	Can the proposed partial infiltration BMP(s) avoid placement within 50 feet of a natural slope (>25%) or within a distance of 1.5H from fill slopes where H is the height of the fill slope?	☐ Yes	☐ No
4B	When full infiltration is determined to be feasible, a geotechnical investigation report must be prepared that considers the relevant factors identified in Appendix C.2.1 If all questions in Step 4B are answered “Yes,” then answer “Yes” to Criteria 4 Result. If there are any “No” answers continue to Step 4C.		
4B-1	Hydroconsolidation. Analyze hydroconsolidation potential per approved ASTM standard due to a proposed full infiltration BMP. Can partial infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing hydroconsolidation risks?	☐ Yes	☐ No
4B-2	Expansive Soils. Identify expansive soils (soils with an expansion index greater than 20) and the extent of such soils due to proposed full infiltration BMPs. Can partial infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing expansive soil risks?	☐ Yes	☐ No

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4B-3	Liquefaction. If applicable, identify mapped liquefaction areas. Evaluate liquefaction hazards in accordance with Section 6.4.2 of the City of San Diego's Guidelines for Geotechnical Reports (2011). Liquefaction hazard assessment shall take into account any increase in groundwater elevation or groundwater mounding that could occur as a result of proposed infiltration or percolation facilities. Can partial infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing liquefaction risks?	☐ Yes	☐ No
4B-4	Slope Stability. If applicable, perform a slope stability analysis in accordance with the ASCE and Southern California Earthquake Center (2002) Recommended Procedures for Implementation of DMG Special Publication 117, Guidelines for Analyzing and Mitigating Landslide Hazards in California to determine minimum slope setbacks for full infiltration BMPs. See the City of San Diego's Guidelines for Geotechnical Reports (2011) to determine which type of slope stability analysis is required. Can partial infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing slope stability risks?	☐ Yes	☐ No
4B-5	Other Geotechnical Hazards. Identify site-specific geotechnical hazards not already mentioned (refer to Appendix C.2.1). Can partial infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA without increasing risk of geologic or geotechnical hazards not already mentioned?	☐ Yes	☐ No
4B-6	Setbacks. Establish setbacks from underground utilities, structures, and/or retaining walls. Reference applicable ASTM or other recognized standard in the geotechnical report. Can partial infiltration BMPs be proposed within the DMA using recommended setbacks from underground utilities, structures, and/or retaining walls?	☐ Yes	☐ No
4C	Mitigation Measures. Propose mitigation measures for each geologic/geotechnical hazard identified in Step 4B. Provide a discussion on geologic/geotechnical hazards that would prevent partial infiltration BMPs that cannot be reasonably mitigated in the geotechnical report. See Appendix C.2.1.8 for a list of typically reasonable and typically unreasonable mitigation measures. Can mitigation measures be proposed to allow for partial infiltration BMPs? If the question in Step 4C is answered "Yes," then answer "Yes" to Criteria 4 Result. If the question in Step 4C is answered "No," then answer "No" to Criteria 4 Result.	☐ Yes	☐ No

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Criteria 4 Result	Can infiltration of greater than or equal to 0.05 inches/hour and less than or equal to 0.5 inches/hour be allowed without increasing the risk of geologic or geotechnical hazards that cannot be reasonably mitigated to an acceptable level?	☐ Yes	☐ No
Summarize findings and basis; provide references to related reports or exhibits. We performed 2 infiltration tests in the areas of the site within the underlying San Diego Formation. The results indicate an average rate of 0.003 inches per hour (with an applied factor of safety of 2). Therefore, partial infiltration is considered infeasible at the site.			
Part 2 – Partial Infiltration Geotechnical Screening Result ¹³			Result
If answers to both Criteria 3 and Criteria 4 are “Yes”, a partial infiltration design is potentially feasible based on geotechnical conditions only. If answers to either Criteria 3 or Criteria 4 is “No”, then infiltration of any volume is considered to be infeasible within the site.			☐ Partial Infiltration Condition ☒ No Infiltration Condition

¹³ To be completed using gathered site information and best professional judgement considering the definition of MEP in the MS4 Permit. Additional testing and/or studies may be required by City Engineer to substantiate findings

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