

# GEOTECHNICAL REPORT

## PROPOSED NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON PORTION 91 OF MATJIESFONTIEN 304, KEURBOOMSTRAND, PLETTENBERG BAY

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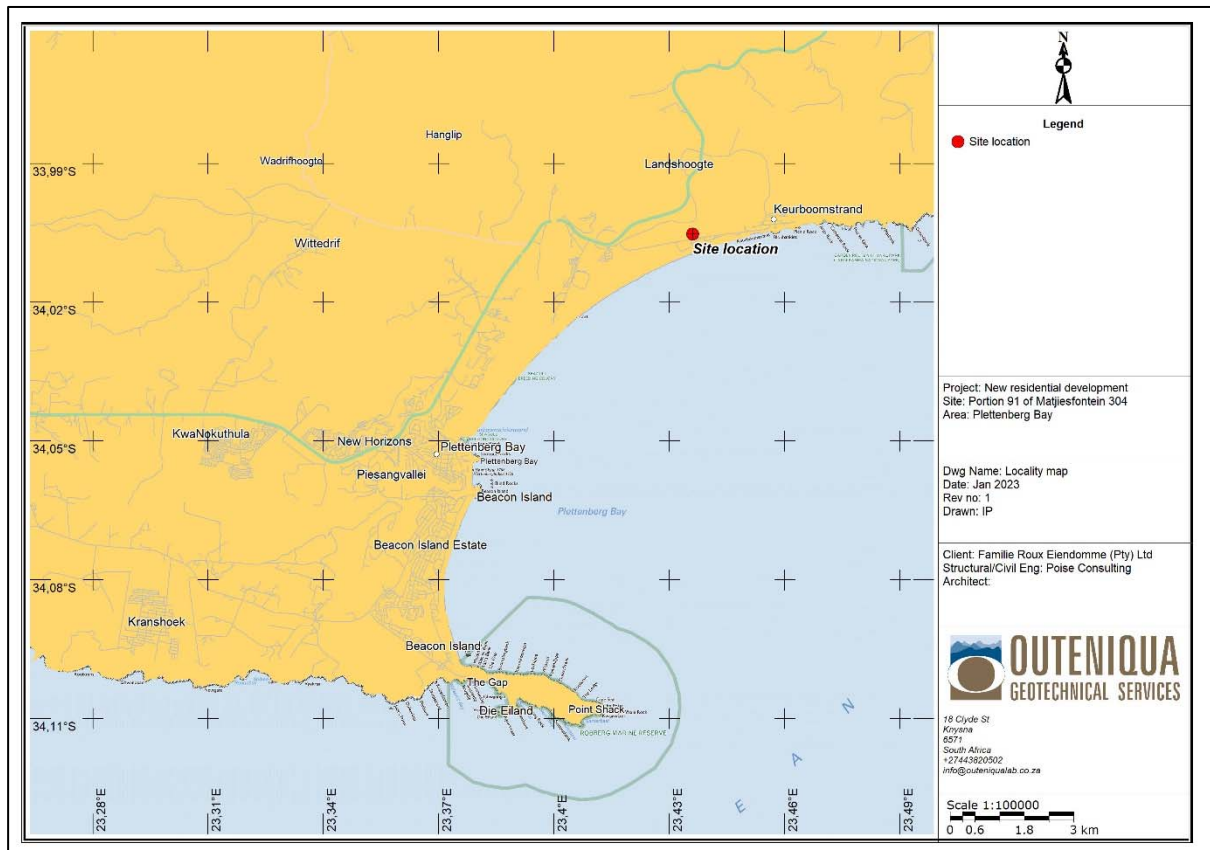
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# 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Background information

A new residential development has been proposed on Portion 91 Of Matjiesfontien 304, Keurboomstrand, Plettenberg Bay. Refer to locality map in **Figure 1**. Outeniqua Geotechnical Services was appointed by the developer to conduct a broad-scope geotechnical investigation of the site. The proposed development consisted of new dwellings, internal access roads and bulk services. The physical and geotechnical nature of the site was investigated in order to facilitate the civil engineering design and project planning.



**Figure 1: Locality map**

## 1.2 Scope of work

The scope of work was to conduct a broad-scope geotechnical investigation in accordance with the SAICE Code of Practice for Site Investigations, including the following:

### *Desk Study:*

- A desk-top review of all available information of the location, topography and geology of the site.

### *Site Work:*

- A site reconnaissance survey to assess the general terrain and any obvious geotechnical risks associated with development of the site;
- A subsurface investigation including the excavation and profiling of a limited

- number of test pits across the site with a TLB/Backactor to a depth of 2-3m or shallower refusal, to obtain an indication of the expected geotechnical conditions;
- The collection and packaging of soil samples for laboratory testing, including:
  - Foundation Indicator tests determine gradings, Atterberg limits and potential expansiveness.
  - Modified AASHTO density, CBR & Indicator tests to determine the compaction/strength properties.
- Insitu testing, including dynamic cone penetrometer (DCP).

*Professional assessment & reporting:*

The assessment of data by a geotechnical engineering professional, and the preparation of a concise factual and interpretive report recommendations for:

- Foundation design for structures (including founding depths, estimated allowable safe bearing pressures).
- Any other precautions to be taken with regards to the geotechnical conditions for the proposed development.

### **1.3 Available information**

The following maps & plans were available for consultation:

- A site locality map, provided by the developer.
- 1: 250 000 Geological Series maps of the area, obtained from the Council for Geoscience;
- Topo-cadastral data for the area, obtained from the National Geospatial Institute (NGI).
- Aerial photos of the area, obtained from the NGI and Google Earth.

## **2. Site description**

The proposed site was located on semi-rural land in close proximity to the up-market residential area of Keurboomstrand. At the time of the investigation the site was easily accessible from the existing municipal road along the southern boundary of the site. See **Figure 2**. The site was largely vacant but was being used as a horse-riding facility with several temporary stable structures. The topography was broadly characterised by very gently sloping ground on the southern portion of the site (the proposed development portion) with an average gradient of ~1:50, and a steep northern portion (not intended for development). The ground surface on the development portion was covered in patchy short grass and a few scattered bushes and trees. The northern slopes were densely vegetated with indigenous bush (see **Figure 3 & 4**). The climate of the area was typically wet with a Weinert Climatic N-value of 2.

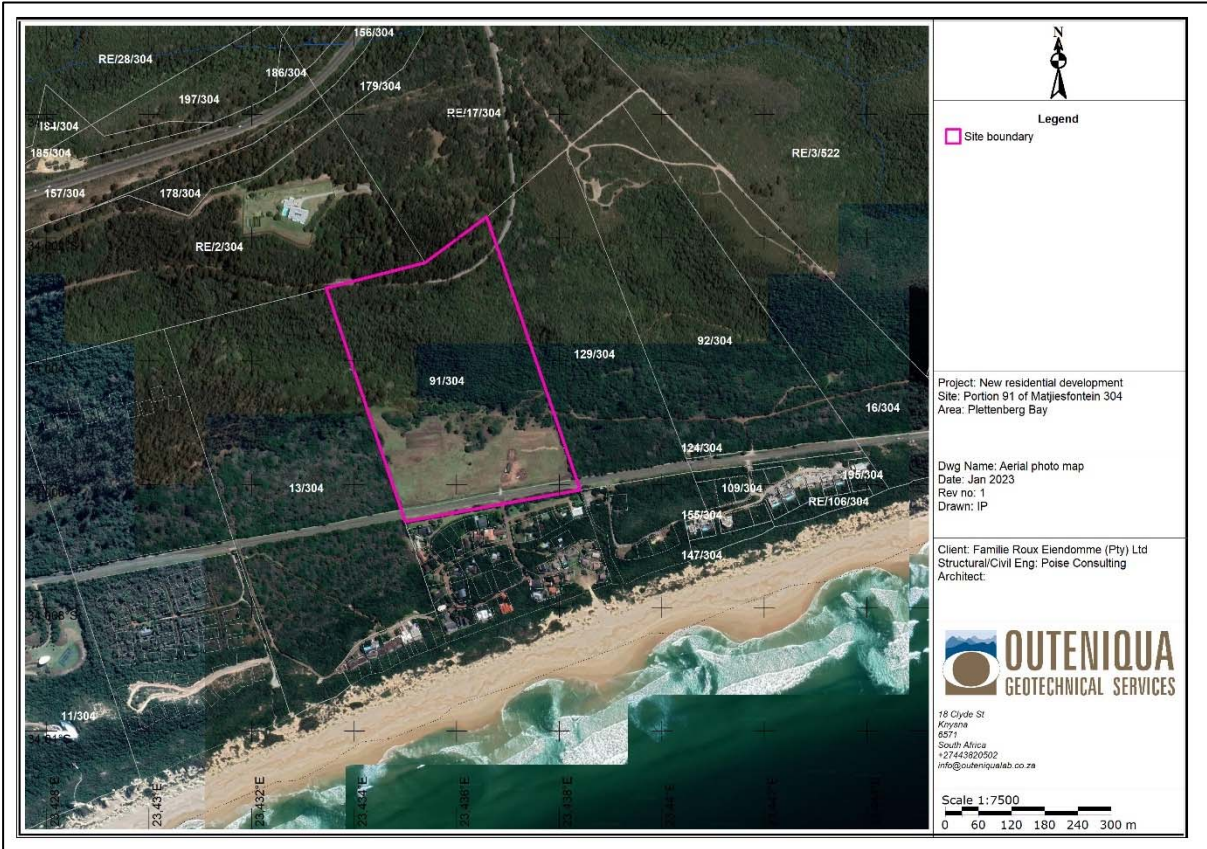


Figure 2: Aerial photo map



Figure 3: View of the southern portion of the site looking south-east



**Figure 4: View of the site looking north-west**

### **3. Methods of investigation**

An initial site walk-over of the site was conducted to assess the site terrain, topographic features and any obvious geotechnical issues. This was followed by a subsurface investigation consisting of several test pits, which were excavated random fashion across the site using a TLB/Backactor. This exercise was aimed at gathering geotechnical information regarding the nature of the ground conditions (soil moisture, texture, consistency, groundwater levels, etc.). The soil profiles and photographs of the test pits were included in **Appendix 2** of this report.

Representative samples of different soil types were collected from test pits for Foundation Indicator tests and Mod/CBR/Indicator tests. The tests were performed at a SANAS-Accredited laboratory (Outeniqua Lab), in accordance with the TMH1 and ASTM methods. Details of the tests were included in **Appendix 3** of this report.

In situ dynamic cone penetrometer (DCP) tests were conducted at each test pit position from NGL to a maximum depth of 2-4m or shallower refusal. Details of the tests were included in **Appendix 4** of this report.

## **4. Results of the site investigation**

### **4.1 Regional geology**

The official geological mapping of the area indicated that the lower/southern portion of the site was underlain by estuarine/alluvial sand deposits of Quaternary age (yellow on map in **Figure 5**) which overlie sandstone and conglomerate of the Enon Formation (red/orange on map) of the Uitenhage Group on the northern slopes. The Enon Formation then overlies shale of the Gydo Formation and sandstone and shale of Baviaanskloof Formation which outcrop along the Keurboomstrand road to the east of the site. No major geological faults were mapped in the vicinity of the site and the risk of seismic activity was low. The geology was generally considered macro stable for development purposes with due consideration paid to local geotechnical constraints.



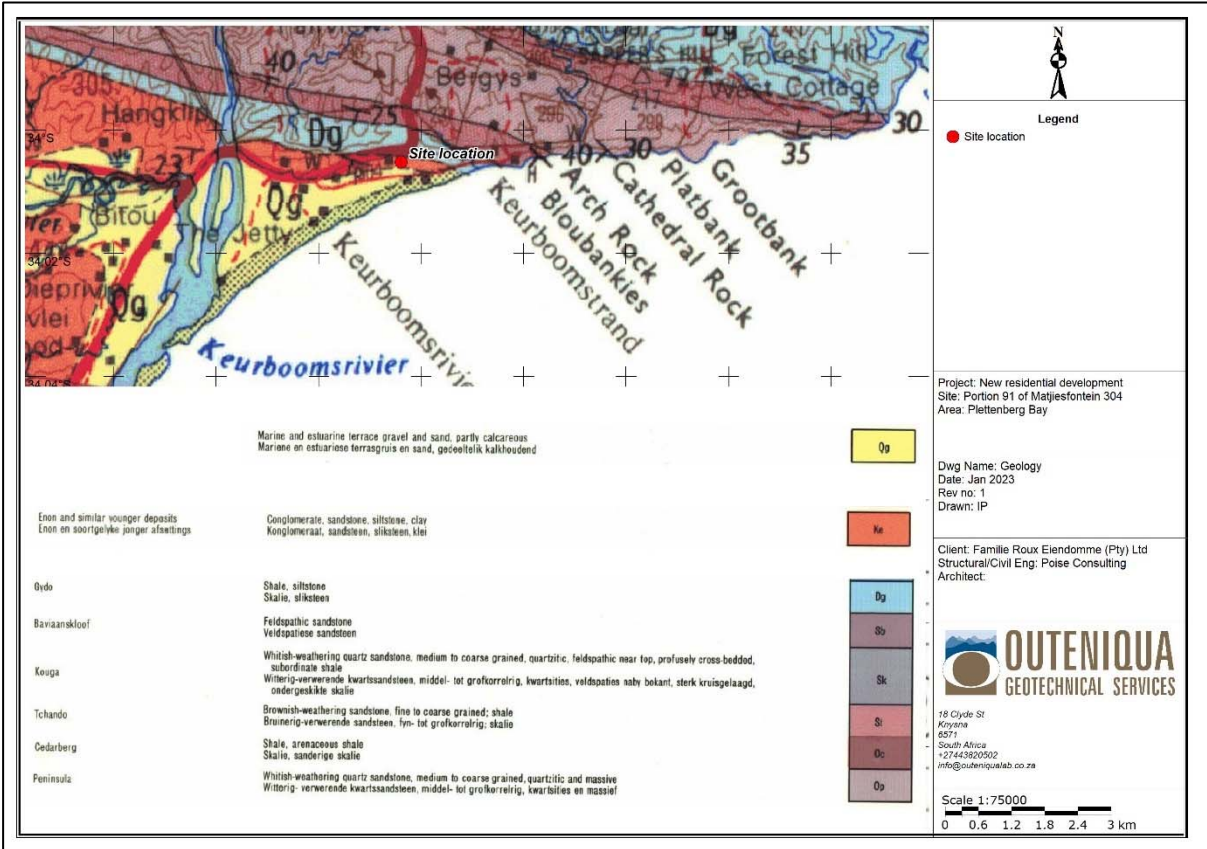


Figure 5: Geological map of site

#### 4.2 Local soil and rock types

The soil profile was broadly consistent across the site, and dominated by estuarine sandy soil (see **Figure 6**). The profile broadly included a sporadic upper horizon of imported fill soil (disturbed or dumped soil), underlain by an insitu topsoil horizon, consisting of silty sand, roots and organic humus, which was underlain by unconsolidated to semi consolidated sand with scattered marine shell fragments. At TP5, a pedogenic calcrete hardpan layer (very soft rock) was encountered just below the topsoil horizon (see **Figure 7**). The calcrete was highly to completely weathered in places to a sandy gravel, angular cobbles and/or small boulders. A summary of the soil profiles was provided in **Table 1**.



Figure 6: Typical sandy soil types encountered in test pits



**Figure 7: Calcrete hardpan layer encountered in test pit TP5**

**Table 1: Test pit summary - Soil horizon thickness (in mm)**

<b>Test pos. No.</b>	<b>Soil</b>				<b>Rock</b>	<b>Final depth of test pit</b>	<b>Refusal</b>
	<b>Imported (fill)</b>	<b>Transported</b>	<b>Pedogenic</b>	<b>Residual</b>			
TP1	0-300	2000	-	-	-	2000	None
TP2	0-800	800-2600	-	-	-	2600	None
TP3	-	0-1700	-	-	-	1700	None
TP4	-	0-2600	-	-	-	1800	None
TP5	-	0-400 & 700-2500	400-700	-	-	2500	None
TP11	0-400	400-900	-	-	-	3000	None

### 4.3 Laboratory tests

Representative samples of different soil horizons were collected for Foundation Indicator tests in order to determine their basic geotechnical properties, estimate potential expansivity and evaluate their suitability as founding mediums. Abbreviated results of the tests were shown in **Table 2**.

The tests indicated that all the soil was dominated by fine granular soils (silty sands). All samples were non-plastic and the potential expansiveness was therefore zero. Some samples showed a measurable clay content but since the soils were non-plastic this was deemed to be from non-clay colloids, possibly including calcium carbonate. The samples tested were classified into the following categories under the Universal Soil Classification system as ML (Inorganic silts, non-plastic silts) and SM (Silty sands).

The results of the Foundation Indicator tests were summarised in **Table 2**.

**Table 2:** Summary of Foundation Indicator test results

Test Pit No	Sample Depth (mm)	Atterberg Limits			Particle Analysis (%)				MC*	PE**	USC ***
		PI	LL	LS	Clay	Silt	Sand	Gravel			
TP2	1500-2200	NP	NP	NP	16	21	63	0	1.5	NP	ML
TP4	800-2600	NP	NP	NP	12	13	75	0	3.2	NP	SM
TP5	700-2500	NP	NP	NP	14	42	44	0	10.7	NP	ML

\* Insitu Moisture Content \*\* Potential Expansiveness \*\*\* Unified Soil Classification

Representative samples of insitu soils were collected for Modified AASHTO density, CBR and Road Indicator tests to determine the potential for general filling under and around structures and in roadbeds. The results of the tests were summarised in **Table 3**.

**Table 3:** Summary of Mod. AASHTO, CBR & Road Indicator test results

Test Pit No	Sample Depth (mm)	CBR at					Swell (%)	PI (%)	GM	MDD OMC	COLTO Class
		100 %	98%	95%	93%	90%					
TP2	500-2000	12	10	9	8	6	0	NP	1.4	1669/11.6	G8
TP3	0-700	20	14	8	6	3	0	NP	1.0	1751/12.2	G9
TP4	800-2600	17	14	11	9	7	0	NP	1.22	1614/11.2	G8

The test results indicated that the insitu material was dominated by silty fine sand with marginal strength properties but was generally suitable as bulk filling under and around structures or for road subgrade fill. Recommendations were given in **Chapter 6**.

#### 4.4 Insitu tests

In situ penetration tests (DCP) indicated significant variation in the consistency of the soil in the upper 0.7m of the profile, but consistently dense conditions below this level.

**Table 4:** Summary of DCP tests

Test Pos No	0-1m			1-2m			2-3m			3-4m		
	DN	Con	$\phi^{\circ}$	DN	Con	$\phi^{\circ}$	DN	Con	$\phi^{\circ}$	DN	Con	$\phi^{\circ}$
1	40	L	28	29	MD	30	n/a	-	-	n/a	-	-
2	25	MD	32	21	MD	32	n/a	-	-	n/a	-	-
3	33	MD	30	31	MD	30	n/a	-	-	n/a	-	-
4	34	MD	30	26	MD	32	20	MD	33	11	D	
5	40	L	28	10	D	36	n/a	-	-	n/a	-	-
6	45	L	28	22	MD	32	n/a	-	-	n/a	-	-
7	27	MD	32	24	MD	32	11	D		23	MD	32
8	42	L	28	26	MD	32	20	MD	33	16	D	34
9	52	L	28	25	MD	32	21	MD	32	23	MD	32
10	38	MD	30	21	MD	32	14	D	35	16	D	34

\*DN – Max penetration rate Con - Consistency

DCP tests indicated a general improvement in density and bearing capacity with increasing

depth with some minor variations. The tests confirmed that shallow foundations would be generally suitable but good compaction would be required to mitigate settlement, particularly in the foundation influence zone within a depth range of up to 2m below NGL.

## 5. Geotechnical assessment

### 5.1 Site classification

The site was mapped according to the site class designations provided in SANS10400-H (refer to **Table 5**). Due to the broadly consistent conditions observed in the investigation, the majority of the proposed development footprint area was mapped as a single geotechnical terrain with the site class designation of **S1** (potentially compressible sandy soils). Minor superficial deposits of uncontrolled fill (**P**) were also mapped as indicated in **Figure 8**.

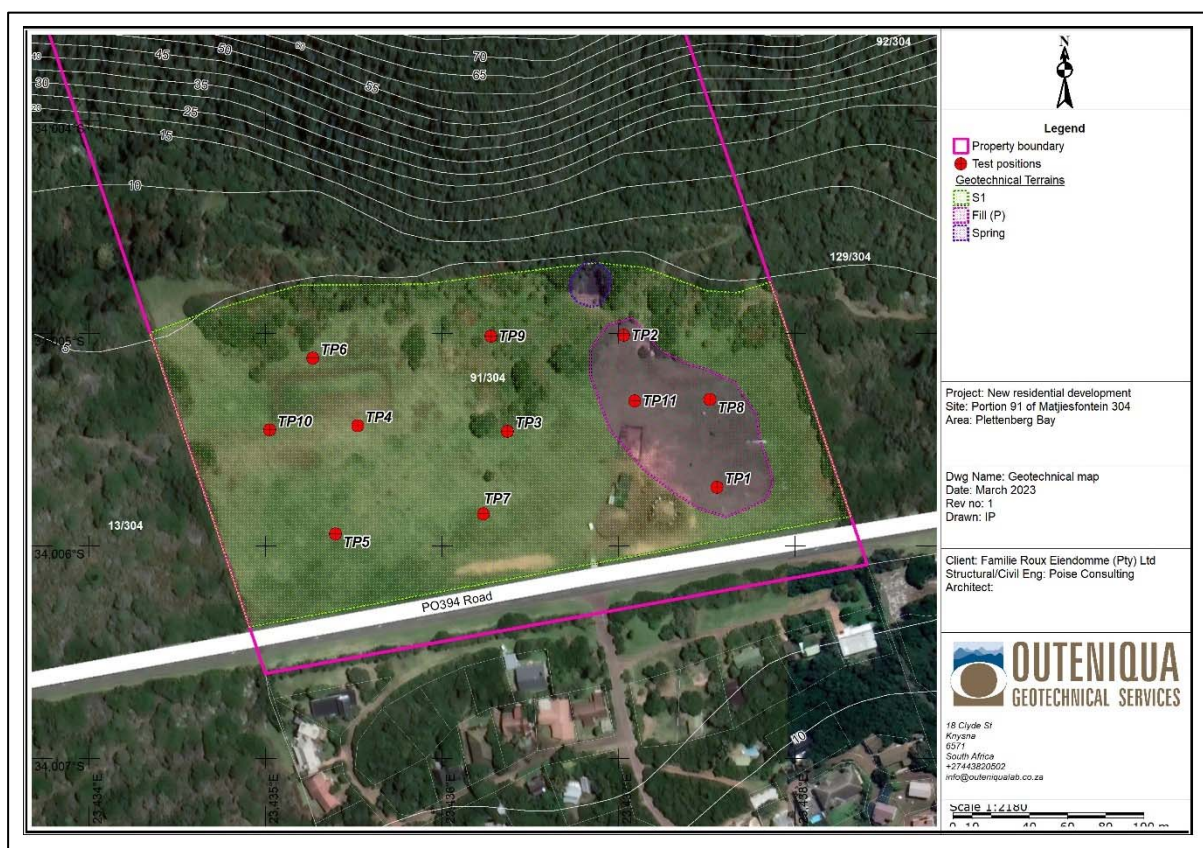


Figure 8: Geotechnical map

**Table 4:** SANS 10400-H Geotechnical site class designations

1	2	3	4	5
Typical founding material	Nature of founding material	Expected range of total soil movements mm	Assumed differential movement % of total	Site class designation
Rock (excluding mud rocks which might exhibit swelling to some depth)	Stable	Negligible	–	R
Fine-grained soils with moderate to very high plasticity (clays, silty clays, clayey silts and sandy clays)	Expansive soils	< 7,5 7,5 to 15 15 to 30 > 30	50 50 50 50	H H1 H2 H3
Silty sands, clayey sands, sands, sandy and gravelly soils	Compressible and potentially collapsible soils	< 5 5 to 10 > 10	75 75 75	C C1 C2
Fine-grained soils (clayey silts and clayey sands of low plasticity), sands, sandy and gravelly soils	Compressible soils	< 10 10 to 20 > 20	50 50 50	S S1 S2
Contaminated soils <sup>a</sup> , controlled fill, dolomite land, landslip, landfill, marshy areas, mine waste fill, mining subsidence reclaimed areas, uncontrolled fill, very soft silts/silty clays	Variable	Variable	–	P <sup>b</sup>

## 5.2 Bearing capacity and settlement of structures

Observations made during the site investigations and analysis of test results indicated that the natural soils at normal shallow levels (0.5-1m) was dominated by potentially compressible fine sand. The soil would require improvement (compaction) to safely support type 1 residential structures on conventional shallow spread foundations with typical bearing pressures of up to 150kPa. Beyond this maximum typical load, the depth of improvement or type of foundation would require further consideration.

Other geotechnical constraints which could affect earthworks or foundations, such as uncontrolled fill, surface water bodies and ground water were also identified. Earthworks and foundation design recommendations were provided in **Chapter 6**.

## 5.3 Heave

The soil profile was not expected to display any significant expansivity and no special measures would be required to cater for heave.

## 5.4 Groundwater and site drainage

The fine sandy soil conditions generally had moderate permeability and drainage characteristics, but surface water was expected to accumulate temporarily after heavy rainfall events. A surface water body, fed by a perennial spring, was also identified at the base of the slope on the eastern side of the site. Groundwater was identified in test pits on the southern (lower) side of the site (TP1 & TP5) at an average depth of 2m. Seepage and run-off from the slopes to the north were therefore expected to have an influence on the engineering design. Groundwater was also expected to affect deep excavations (>1.5m below NGL) in some areas.

## **5.5 Slopes**

No slope stability problems were observed on the steep slopes above (to the north) of the proposed development area. The maximum gradient of the slopes was estimated from contour data at 1:1.5. The slopes were covered in dense vegetation and generally inaccessible for detailed inspection but according to the geological map, the slopes were underlain by dense conglomerate and sandstone of the Enon Formation, which was well exposed in near-vertical road cuttings to the northwest of the site. The slopes had been enjoying a state of general stability for many years and this was deemed to be due to the stable underlying geology and was therefore not considered to present a significant risk to the site.

## **5.6 Excavations**

All excavations to 2m were provisionally classified as "Soft" in terms of SABS1200D, and easily excavatable by hand or with light machinery (TLB). Sidewalls of temporary excavations (trenches) were expected to be highly unstable, even for short periods, due to the loose sandy soil types.

## **5.7 Natural construction materials**

The sandy soils that were encountered in test pits were classified as G8-9 and were deemed to be potentially suitable as general structural fill material under foundations and floors or behind retaining walls, when placed and compacted to the engineer's specifications.

# **6. Recommendations**

The following recommendations are based on limited information gained from the site investigation and although the confidence in the information is high, significant variation is likely to occur between information points. All geotechnical information should be verified during construction and any significant variations should be brought to the attention of the geotechnical engineer for comment or further recommendations. It is recommended that the structural & civil engineers discuss their designs with the geotechnical engineer to ensure that the designs are compatible with the expected geotechnical conditions.

## **6.1 Earthworks and structural foundations**

Earthworks should be designed and constructed in accordance with SABS 1200D and/or any site-specific specifications provided by the civil engineer. Foundations should be designed and constructed in accordance with SANS 10400-H or as specified by the structural engineer.

To clear and prepare site for earthworks and construction, it was recommended that at least 150mm of topsoil and vegetation cover be removed from the footprint area. Large roots be grubbed and platform levels established by cutting and/or filling with insitu soil obtained from site. Bulk fill should be compacted to minimum 93%MDD. Low retaining walls may be required in some areas, depending on site levels. The insitu sandy soils were generally suitable for use as general fill on platforms, in roadbeds and as trench backfill. Any organic matter or unsuitable soil should be removed from potential fill material.

Unsuitable ground conditions exposed during earthworks should be referred to the engineer for further investigation and consideration on appropriate action.

The recommended foundation system for the proposed single/double storey residential structures included the following:

- a. RC strips/bases – clear and level site to PL, excavate trenches to PL-1m, wet and compact base of trench with 6 passes of mechanical rammer, such that DCP penetrates at less than 30mm/blow to a depth of 1m below the base of the excavation, backfill the trench to PL-0.7m (recommended final founding level) in layers with compacted sand ex-insitu to 100%MDD or <20mm/blow of DCP. Limit bearing pressures to max 150kPa. Alternatively, excavate trenches to PL-0.7m, compact base of trench such that DCP penetrates at less than 30mm/blow and limit bearing pressures to 100kPa.
- b. Raft foundations on a compacted insitu platform – excavate ~0.6m of insitu soils below entire platform area, compact base of excavation with roller, replace compacted soil in layers back up to platform level such that DCP penetrates at <30mm/blow, construct light raft foundation with max bearing pressures of 75kPa.

Additional measures can be considered for heavier structures.

Regular supervision by the structural engineer was highly recommended to ensure suitable founding conditions.

## **6.2 Site drainage**

The design and construction of storm water drainage should be carried out in accordance with SABS 1200LE, COLTO, The Red Book or other applicable standards, as determined by the civil engineer.

Consideration should be paid to stormwater drainage due to the low gradient on the site and the likelihood of stormwater accumulating on surface after heavy downpours. Stormwater from roofs can generally be handled in gutters, downpipes and open channels or underground pipes, with suitable discharge locations on the southern side of the site. A well designed road layout can assist in management of stormwater run-off from site, with minor flood events being accommodated within the road prism with raised barrier kerbs and/or side channels.

Allowances should be made for stormwater handling from slopes above the site (including continual seepage at/near spring area).

## **6.3 Roads**

It is recommended that road layerworks, including G4-G6 subbase and G1-G4 base layers (for asphalt-sealed roads) be imported from local commercial quarries. The insitu sandy soil can be used for roadbed and SSG layerworks in lightly trafficked internal estate roads.

## **7. Conclusions**

The investigations have indicated that the site was potentially suitable for the proposed development but there were some moderate geotechnical constraints which required consideration in the structural design. Some preliminary recommendations were provided but all geotechnical information should be verified during construction.

## **Appendix 1**

### **Maps**





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 Site location

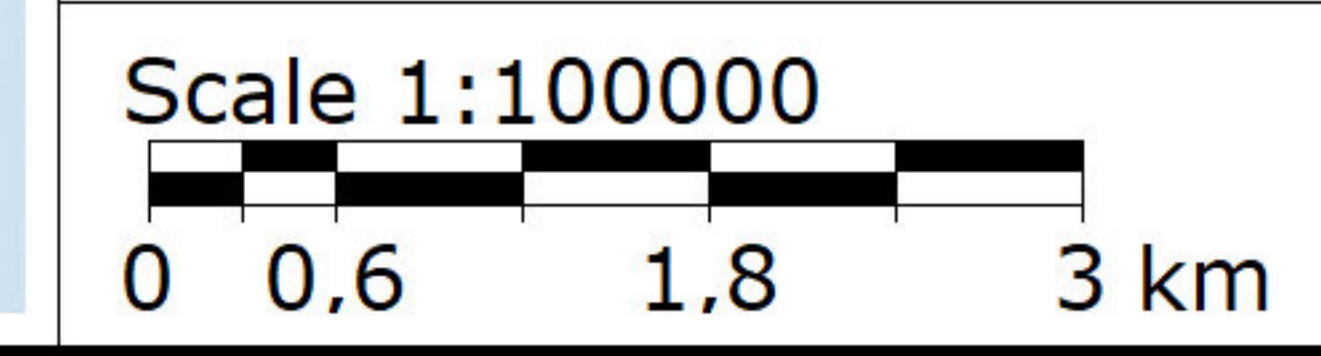
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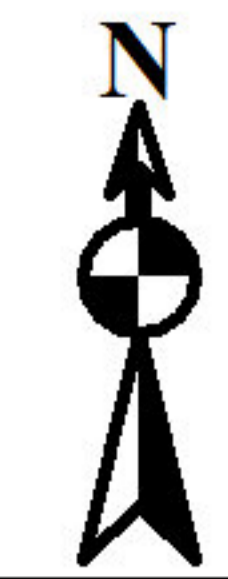
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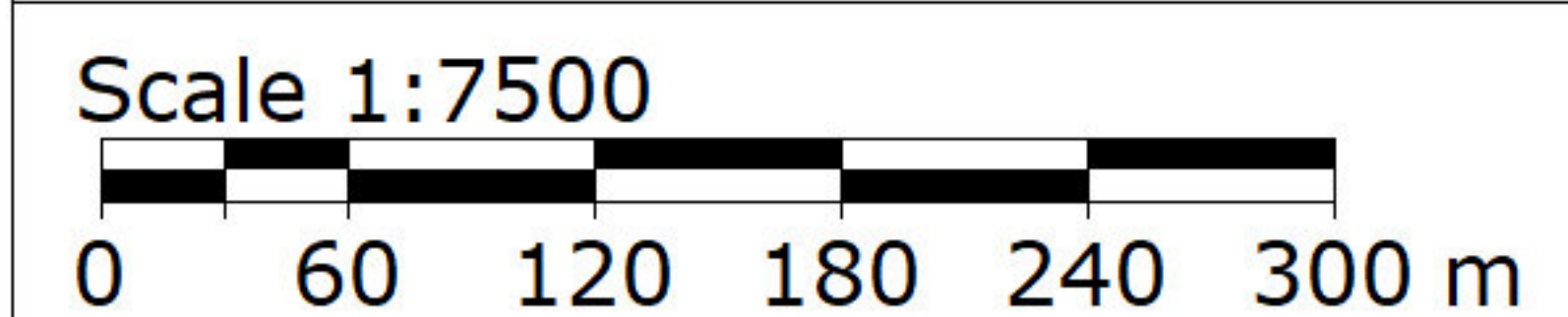
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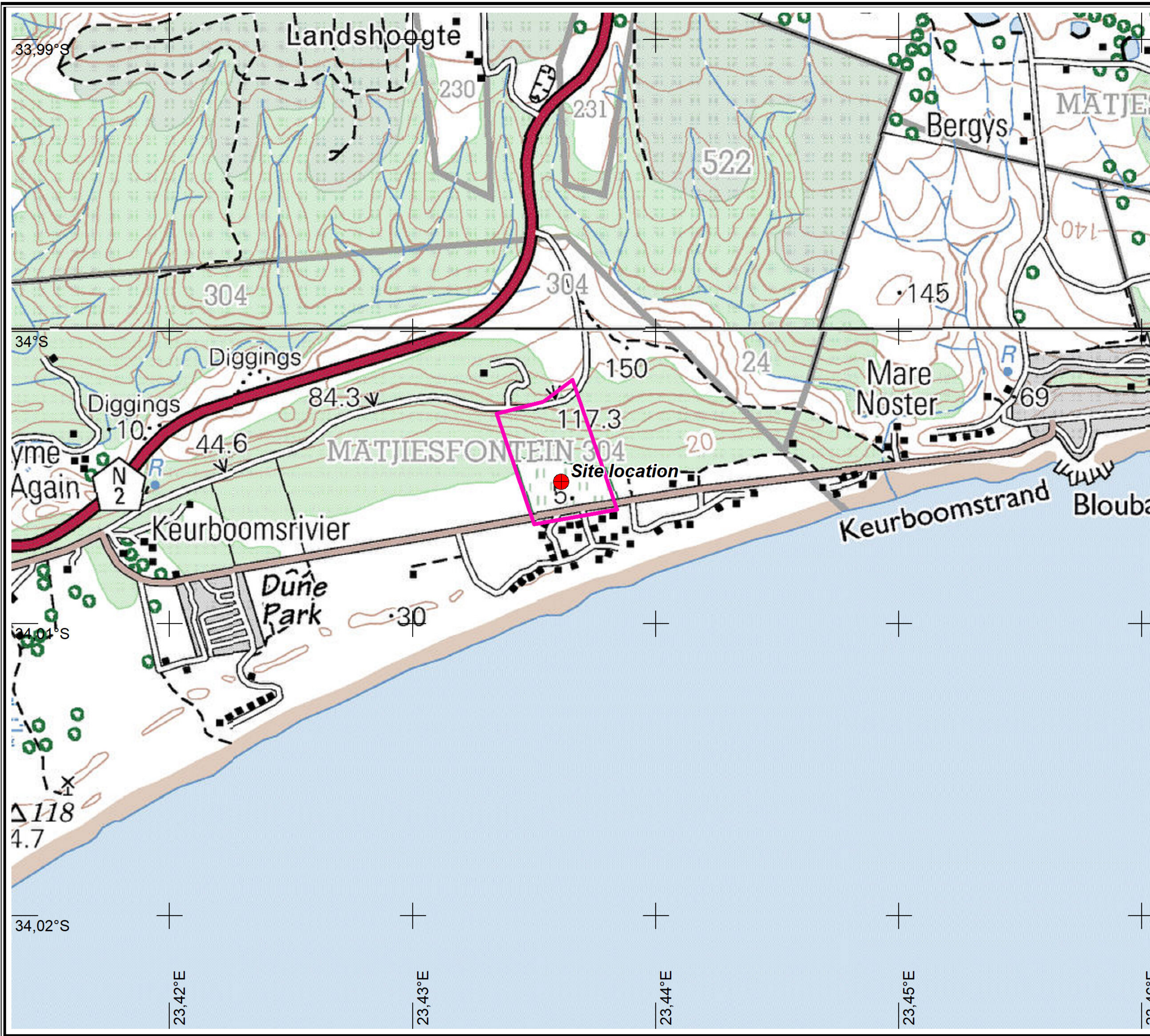
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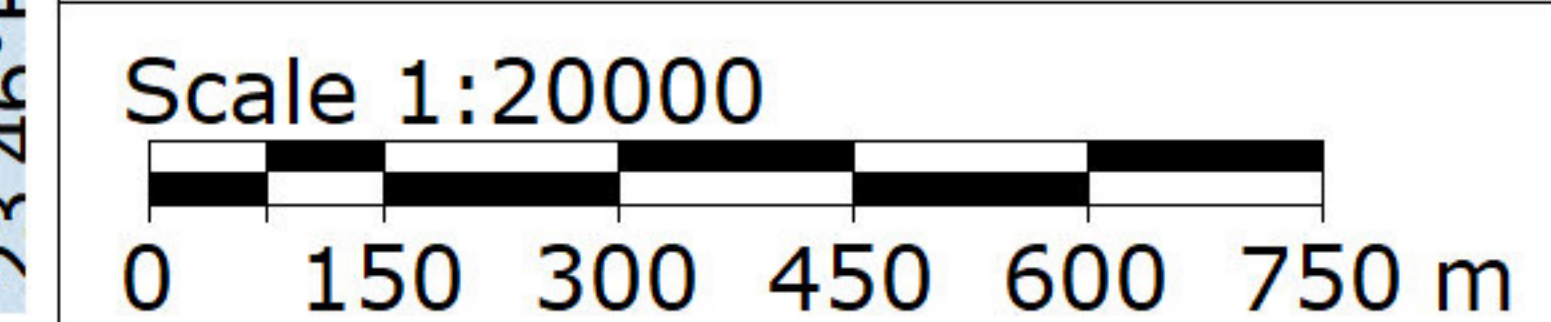
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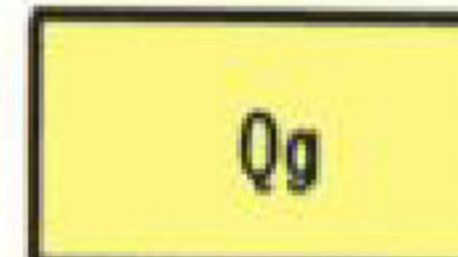
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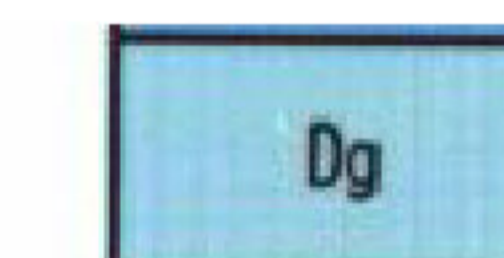
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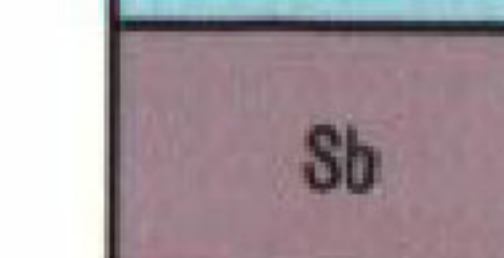
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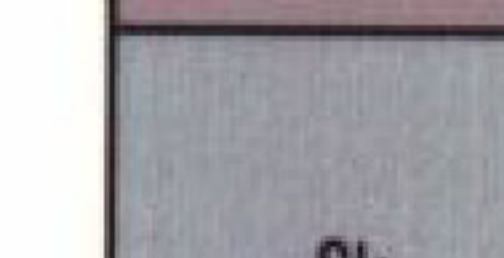
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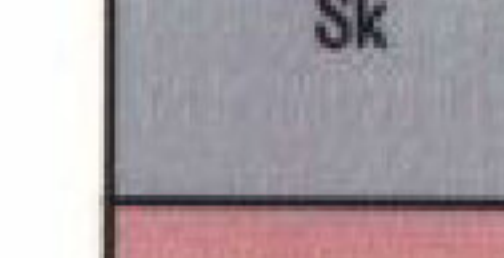
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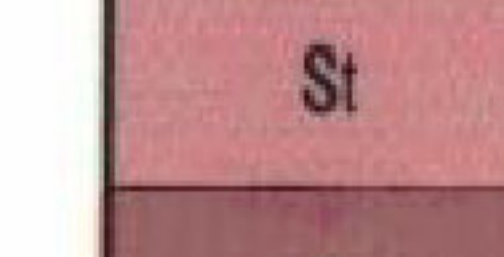
Brownish-weathering sandstone, fine to coarse grained; shale  
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Cedarberg

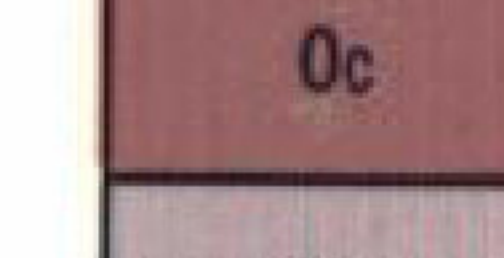
Shale, arenaceous shale  
 Skalie, sanderige skalie



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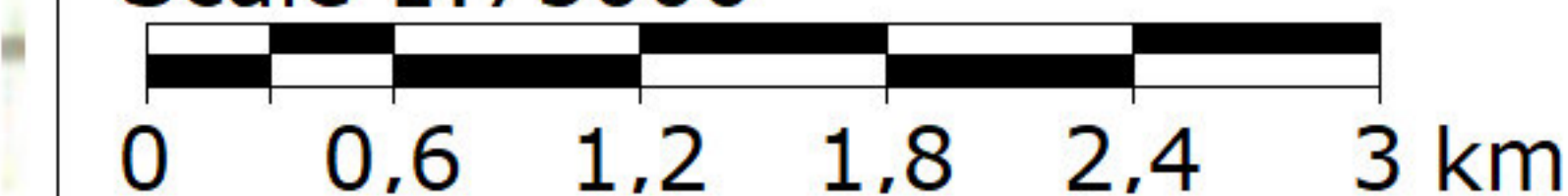
Peninsula

Whitish-weathering quartz sandstone, medium to coarse grained, quartzitic and massive  
 Witterig- verwerende kwartssandsteen, middel- tot grofkorrelrig, kwartsities en massief

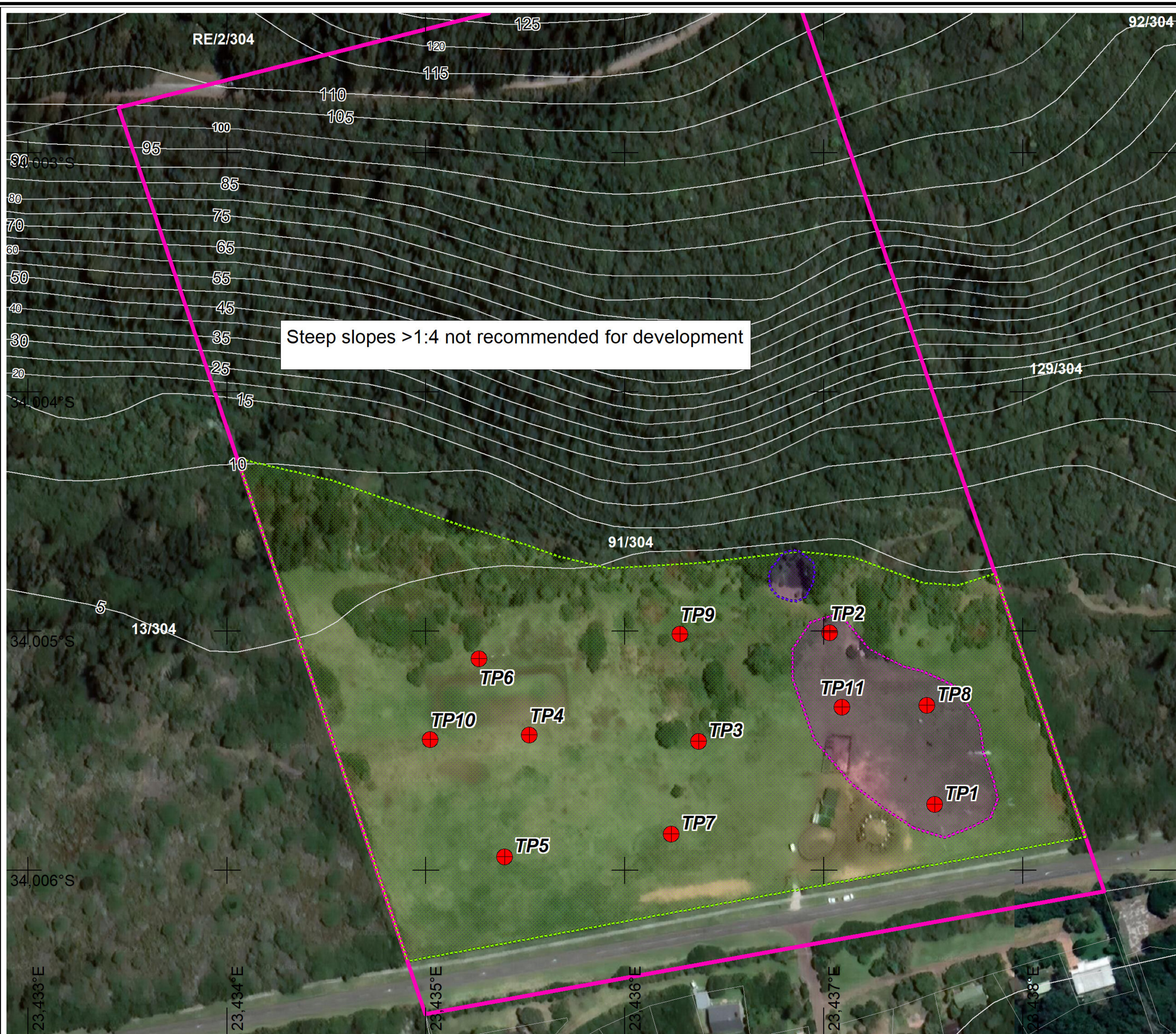


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Steep slopes > 1:4 not recommended for development



**Legend**

- Property boundary
- Test positions
- Geotechnical Terrains
- S1
- Fill (P)
- Spring

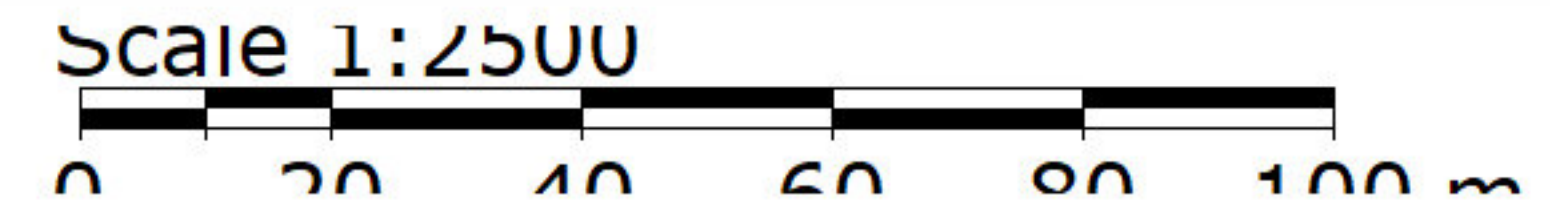
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 Site: Portion 91 of Matjiesfontein 304  
 Area: Plettenberg Bay

Dwg Name: Geotechnical map  
 Date: March 2023  
 Rev no: 1  
 Drawn: IP

Client: Familie Roux Eiendomme (Pty) Ltd  
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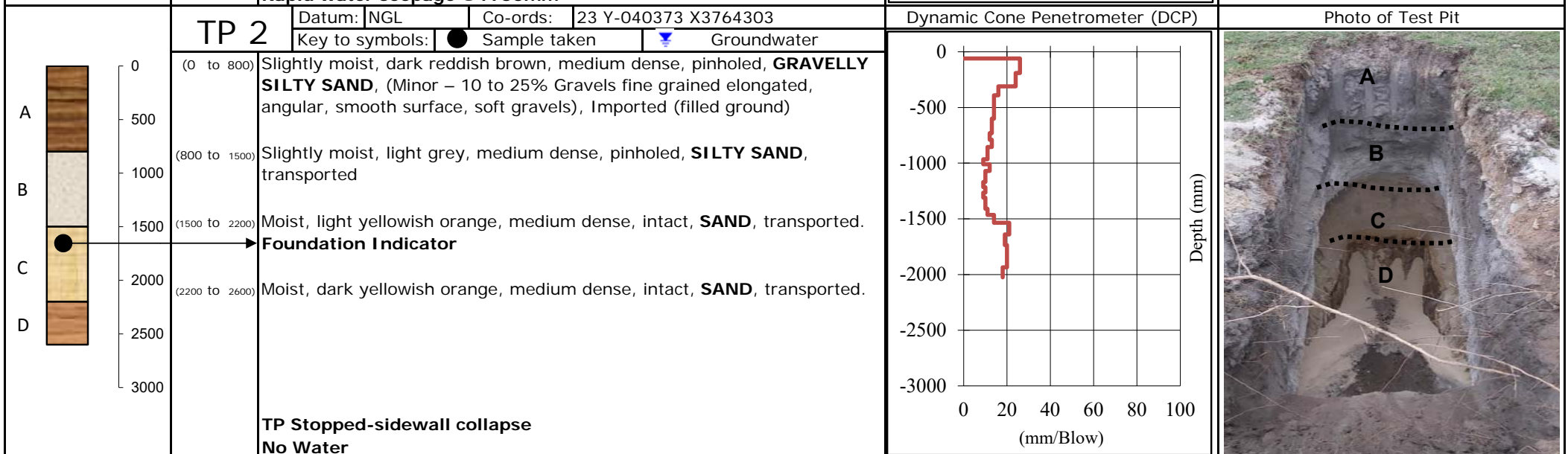
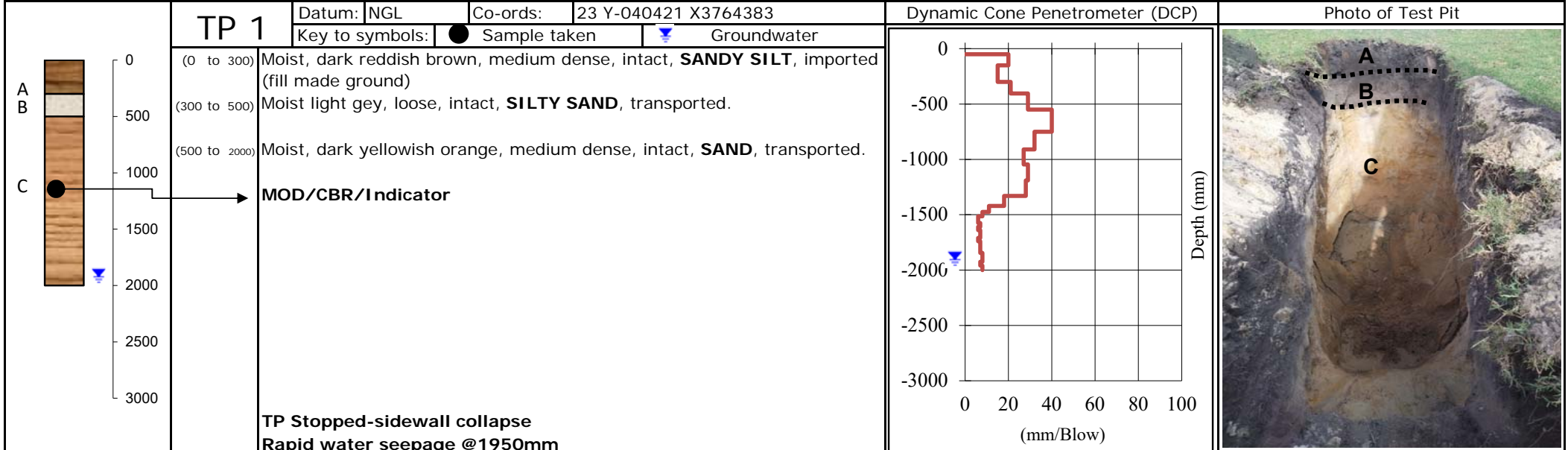
### **Test pit profiles**



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Date:	01.02.2023
Excavator:	TLB

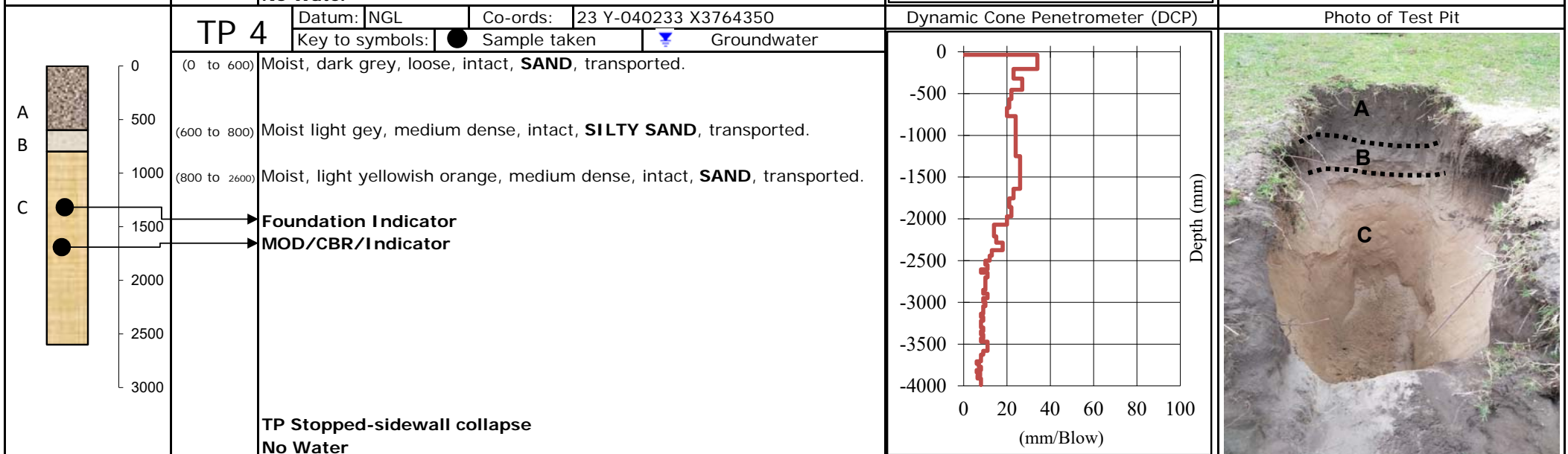
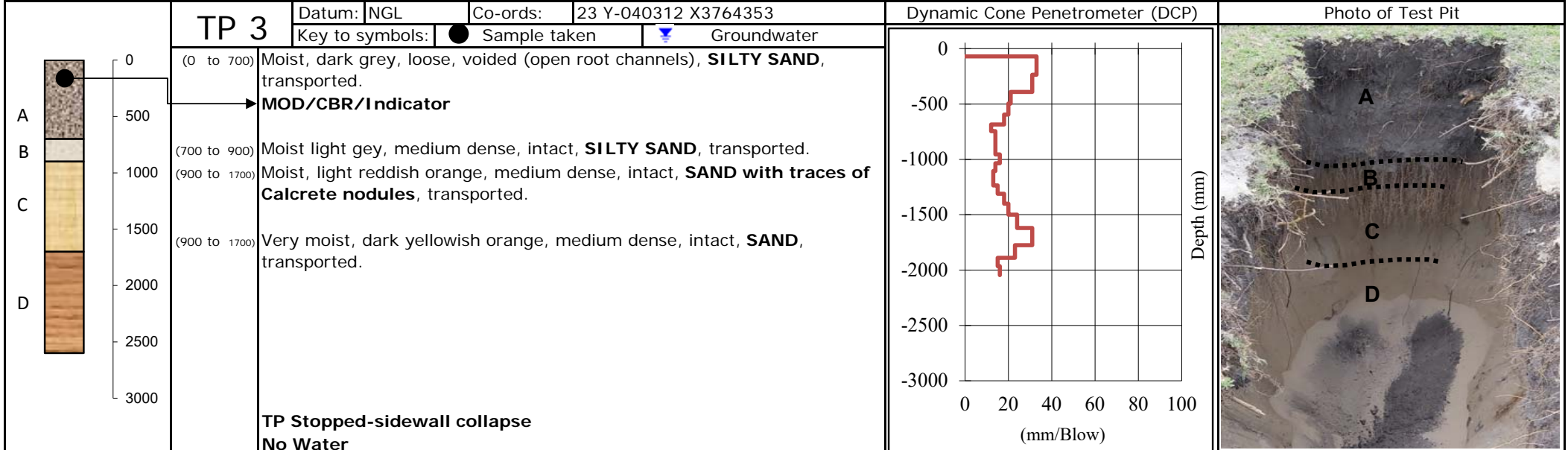




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	<b>TP 5</b>	Datum: NGL	Co-ords: 23 Y-040221 X3764406	Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP)	Photo of Test Pit
	(0 to 200) Moist, dark grey, loose, intact, <b>SILTY SAND</b> , transported. (200 to 400) Slightly moist, light grey, dense, pinholed, <b>GRAVELLY SAND</b> , pedogenic. (400 to 700) Slightly moist, light yellow, very dense (cemented/calcareous), pinholed, <b>GRAVELLY SAND</b> , pedogenic (Calcrete hardpan) (700 to 2500) Very moist to wet, light yellowish orange, medium dense, intact, <b>SAND</b> , transported. <b>Foundation Indicator</b> at 1500mm TP Stopped Rapid water seepage @2300	Key to symbols: ● Sample taken	▼ Groundwater		

	<b>TP 11</b>	Datum: NGL	Co-ords: 23 Y-040378 X3764337	Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP)	Photo of Test Pit
	(0 to 400) Slightly moist, dark grey, very loose, voided, <b>SILTY SAND with traces of Shells</b> , imported (fill, infilled ground) (400 to 900) Slightly moist, light grey, loose, pinholed, <b>SILTY SAND</b> , transported. (900 to 3000) Slightly moist, light yellowish orange, medium dense, intact, <b>SAND with traces of calcrete</b> , transported. TP Stopped-sidewall collapse No Water	Key to symbols: ● Sample taken	▼ Groundwater		

## **Appendix 3**

### **Lab test data**



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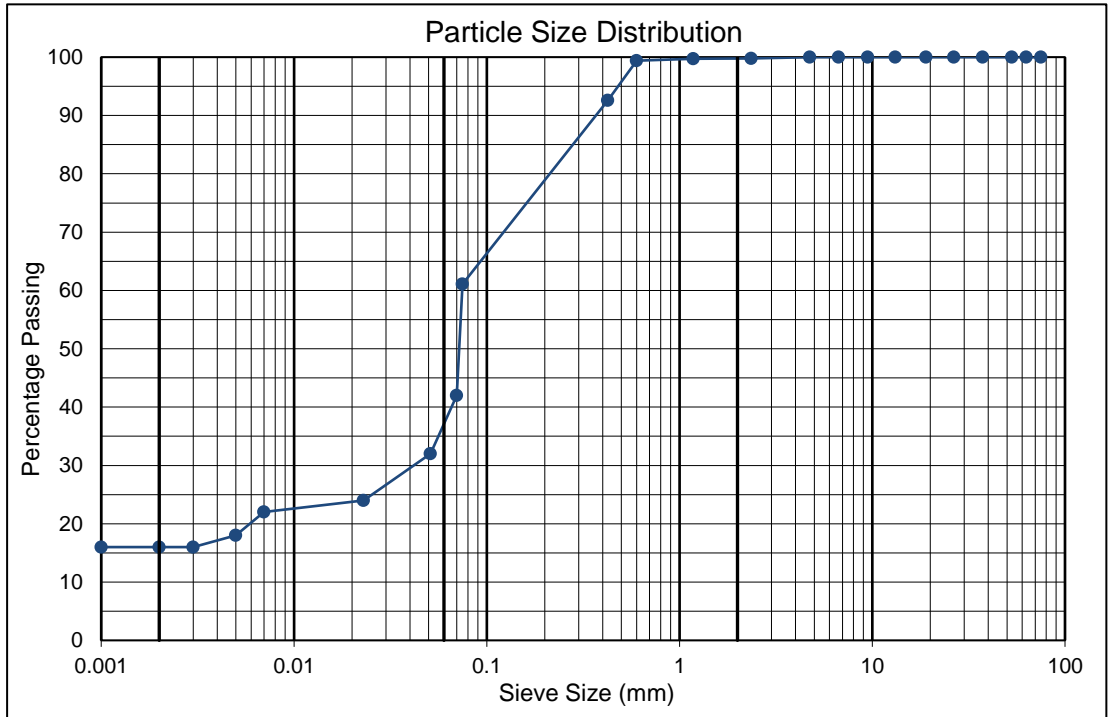
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## TEST REPORT FOUNDATION INDICATOR - (ASTM Method D422)

Sample Position (SV)	TP2	
Depth (mm):	1500-2200	
Sample No.:	85881	
Materials Description	Source	In-situ
	Colour	Dark Yellowish Orange
	Soil Type	Sandy Silt
	Classification	Existing

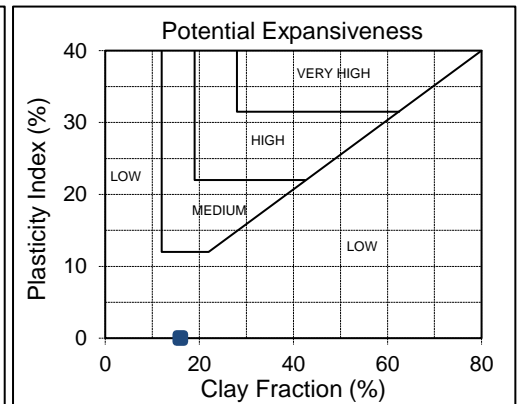
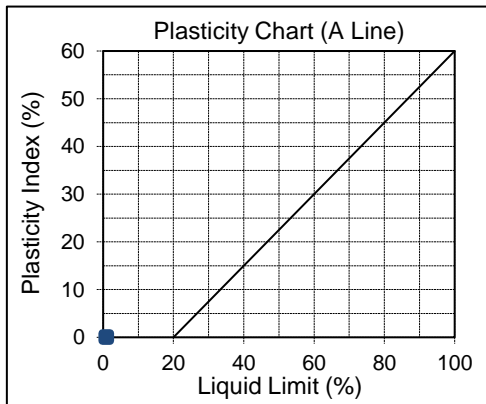
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4.75mm	100
2.36mm	100
1.18mm	100
0.6mm	99
0.425mm	93
0.075mm	61
0.07mm	42
0.051mm	32
0.023mm	24
0.007mm	22
0.005mm	18
0.003mm	16
0.002mm	16
0.001mm	16



Liquid Limit (%)	NP
Plasticity Index (%)	NP
Linear Shrinkage (%)	NP
Moisture Content (%)	1.5

% Clay	16
% Silt	21
% Sand	63
% Gravel	0

Unified Soil Classification	ML
AASHTO Soil Classification	A-4



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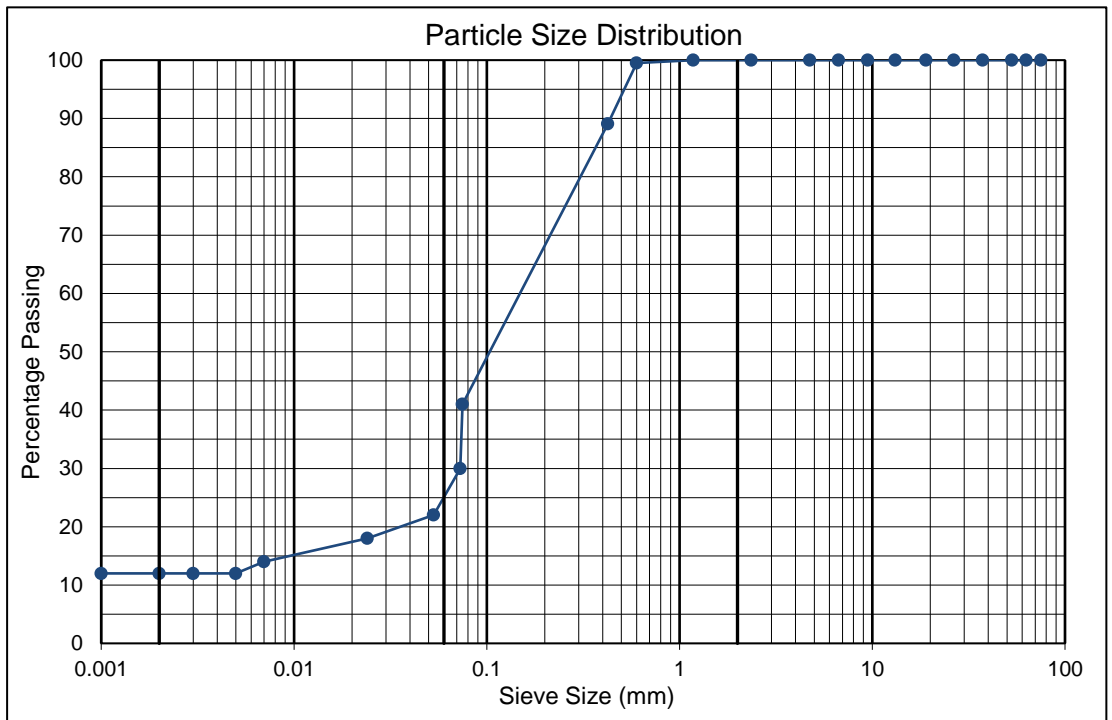


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## TEST REPORT FOUNDATION INDICATOR - (ASTM Method D422)

Sample Position (SV)	TP4	
Depth (mm):	800-2600	
Sample No.:	85883	
Materials Description	Source	In-situ
	Colour	Light Yellowish Orange
	Soil Type	Sand
	Classification	Existing

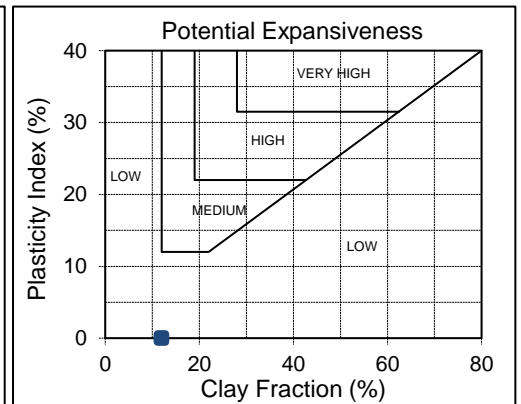
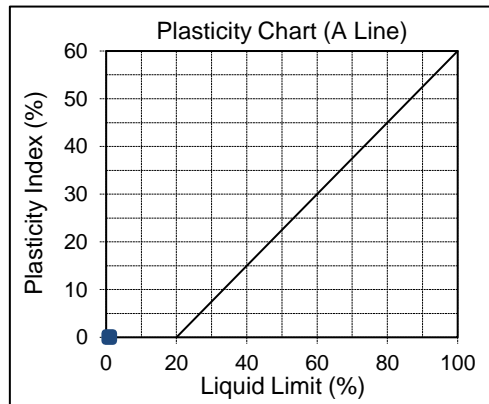
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0.053mm	22
0.024mm	18
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0.005mm	12
0.003mm	12
0.002mm	12
0.001mm	12



Liquid Limit (%)	NP
Plasticity Index (%)	NP
Linear Shrinkage (%)	NP
Moisture Content (%)	3.2

% Clay	12
% Silt	13
% Sand	75
% Gravel	0

Unified Soil Classification	SM
AASHTO Soil Classification	A-4



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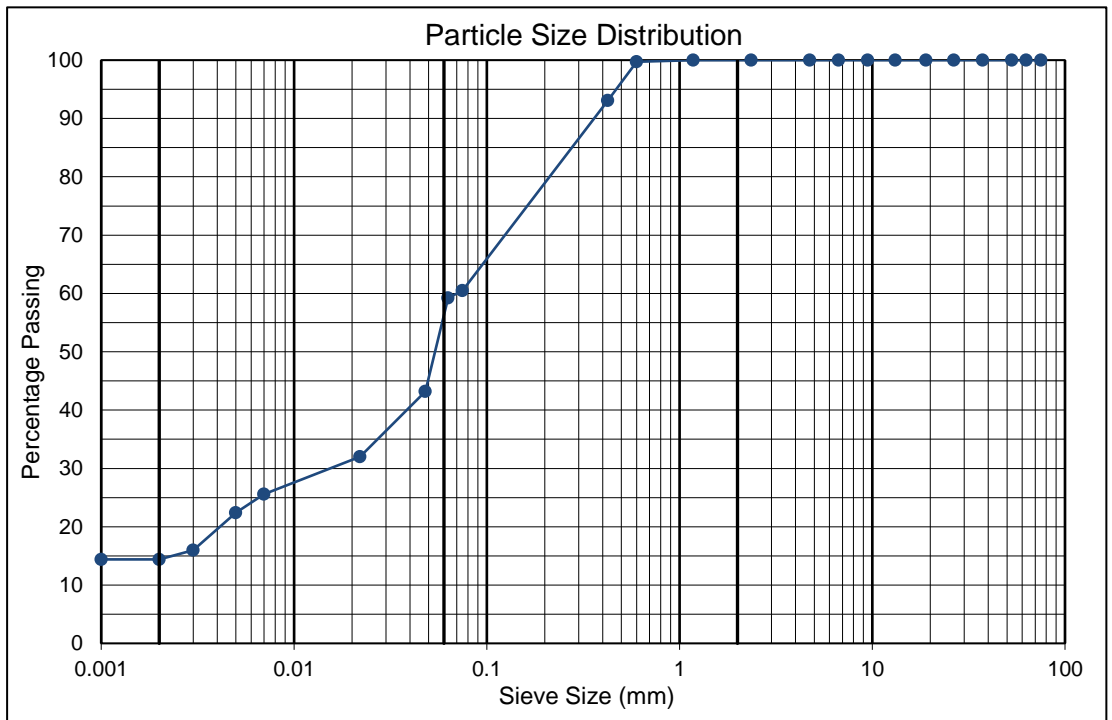
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## TEST REPORT FOUNDATION INDICATOR - (ASTM Method D422)

Sample Position (SV)	TP4
Depth (mm):	700-2500
Sample No.:	85884
Materials Description	In-situ
Source	Light Yellowish Orange to Light Grey
Colour	Sandy Silt
Soil Type	Existing
Classification	

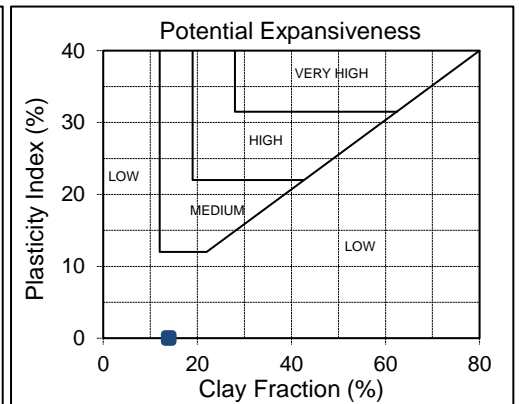
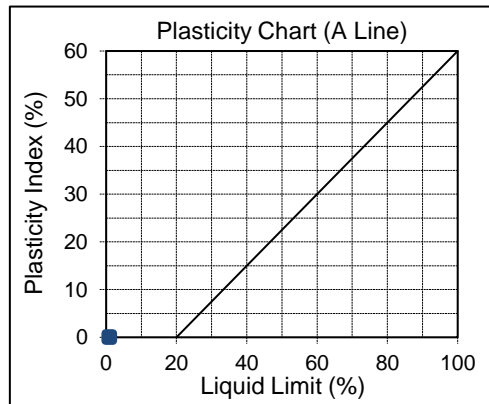
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0.075mm	61
0.063mm	59
0.048mm	43
0.022mm	32
0.007mm	26
0.005mm	22
0.003mm	16
0.002mm	14
0.001mm	14



Liquid Limit (%)	NP
Plasticity Index (%)	NP
Linear Shrinkage (%)	NP
Moisture Content (%)	10.7

% Clay	14
% Silt	42
% Sand	44
% Gravel	0

Unified Soil Classification	ML
AASHTO Soil Classification	A-4



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## TEST REPORT CALIFORNIA BEARING RATIO

Sample Position (SV)		TP1	COLTO:				
Depth (mm)		500-2000	G8 SSG				
Sample No		85880					
Materials Description	Source	In-situ					
	Colour	Dark Yellowish Orange					
	Soil Type	Sand					
	Classification	Proposed (G7)					
<b>Material Indicators - (SANS 3001 Method GR1)</b>							
Percentage Passing	75 mm	100		Opinion			
	63 mm	100					
	50 mm	100					
	37.5 mm	100					
	28 mm	100					
	20 mm	100					
	14 mm	100					
	5 mm	100					
	2 mm	100					
	0.425 mm	56					
0.075 mm	3.4						
<b>Material Indicators - (SANS 3001 Method PR5)</b>							
Grading Modulus *		1.40	0.75 - 2.70	✓			
Coarse Sand Soil-Mortar (%)		43					
<b>Atterberg Limits - (SANS 3001 Method GR10)</b>							
Liquid Limit (%)		Undetermined					
Plasticity Index (%)		NP	≤ 12	✓			
Linear Shrinkage (%)		NP					
<b>Material Strength - (SANS 3001 Method GR30,GR40 - SCALPED)</b>							
MDD	Max Dry Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	1669					
	Optimum Moisture Content (%)	11.6					
	Mould Moisture Content (%)	11.8					
A	Relative Compaction (%)	100.0					
	Swell (%)	0.0	≤ 1.5	✓			
B	Relative Compaction (%)	95.6					
	Swell (%)	0.0					
C	Relative Compaction (%)	92.5					
	Swell (%)	0.0					
CBR	@100% Max Dry Density	12					
	@98% Max Dry Density	10					
	@95% Max Dry Density	9					
	@93% Max Dry Density	8	≥ 10	*			
	@90% Max Dry Density	6					
<b>Material Condition</b>							
Insitu Moisture Content (%)							
<b>Soil Classification Achieved By The Material</b>							
COLTO:		G8 SSG					
AASHTO System		A-3 / A-2-4					
Unified System		SW					

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Sample Position (SV)		TP3	COLTO:				
Depth (mm)		0-700	G9				
Sample No		85882	Subgrade				
Materials Description	Source	In-situ					
	Colour	Dark Grey					
	Soil Type	Silty Sand					
	Classification	Proposed (G9)					
<b>Material Indicators - (SANS 3001 Method GR1)</b>							
Percentage Passing	75 mm	100		Opinion			
	63 mm	100					
	50 mm	100					
	37.5 mm	100					
	28 mm	100					
	20 mm	100					
	14 mm	100					
	5 mm	100					
	2 mm	99					
	0.425 mm	94					
0.075 mm	7.4						
<b>Material Indicators - (SANS 3001 Method PR5)</b>							
Grading Modulus *		1.00	0.75 - 2.70	✓			
Coarse Sand Soil-Mortar (%)		6					
<b>Atterberg Limits - (SANS 3001 Method GR10)</b>							
Liquid Limit (%)		Undetermined					
Plasticity Index (%)		NP	≤ 12	✓			
Linear Shrinkage (%)		NP					
<b>Material Strength - (SANS 3001 Method GR30,GR40 - SCALPED)</b>							
MDD	Max Dry Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	1751					
	Optimum Moisture Content (%)	12.2					
	Mould Moisture Content (%)	12.1					
A	Relative Compaction (%)	100.0					
	Swell (%)	0.0	≤ 1.5	✓			
B	Relative Compaction (%)	95.8					
	Swell (%)	0.0					
C	Relative Compaction (%)	92.1					
	Swell (%)	0.0					
CBR	@100% Max Dry Density	20					
	@98% Max Dry Density	14					
	@95% Max Dry Density	8					
	@93% Max Dry Density	6	≥ 7	*			
	@90% Max Dry Density	3					
<b>Material Condition</b>							
Insitu Moisture Content (%)							
<b>Soil Classification Achieved By The Material</b>							
COLTO:		G9 Subgrade					
AASHTO System		A-3 / A-2-4					
Unified System		SP-SM					

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Sample Position (SV)		TP4	COLTO:				
Depth (mm)		800-2600	G8 SSG				
Sample No		85883					
Materials Description	Source	In-situ					
	Colour	Light Yellow Orange					
	Soil Type	Sand					
	Classification	Proposed (G7)					
Material Indicators - (SANS 3001 Method GR1)							
Percentage Passing	75 mm	100		Opinion			
	63 mm	100					
	50 mm	100					
	37.5 mm	100					
	28 mm	100					
	20 mm	100					
	14 mm	100					
	5 mm	100					
	2 mm	100					
	0.425 mm	75					
0.075 mm	2.9						
Material Indicators - (SANS 3001 Method PR5)							
Grading Modulus *		1.22	0.75 - 2.70	✓			
Coarse Sand Soil-Mortar (%)		24					
Atterberg Limits - (SANS 3001 Method GR10)							
Liquid Limit (%)		Undetermined					
Plasticity Index (%)		NP	≤ 12	✓			
Linear Shrinkage (%)		NP					
Material Strength - (SANS 3001 Method GR30,GR40 - SCALPED)							
MDD	Max Dry Density (kg/m <sup>3</sup> )	1614					
	Optimum Moisture Content (%)	11.2					
	Mould Moisture Content (%)	11.2					
A	Relative Compaction (%)	100.0					
	Swell (%)	0.0	≤ 1.5	✓			
B	Relative Compaction (%)	95.3					
	Swell (%)	0.0					
C	Relative Compaction (%)	92.8					
	Swell (%)	0.0					
CBR	@100% Max Dry Density	17					
	@98% Max Dry Density	14					
	@95% Max Dry Density	11					
	@93% Max Dry Density	9	≥ 10	*			
	@90% Max Dry Density	7					
Material Condition							
Insitu Moisture Content (%)							
Soil Classification Achieved By The Material							
COLTO:		G8 SSG					
AASHTO System		A-3 / A-2-4					
Unified System		SP					

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**Appendix 4**

**DCP test data**



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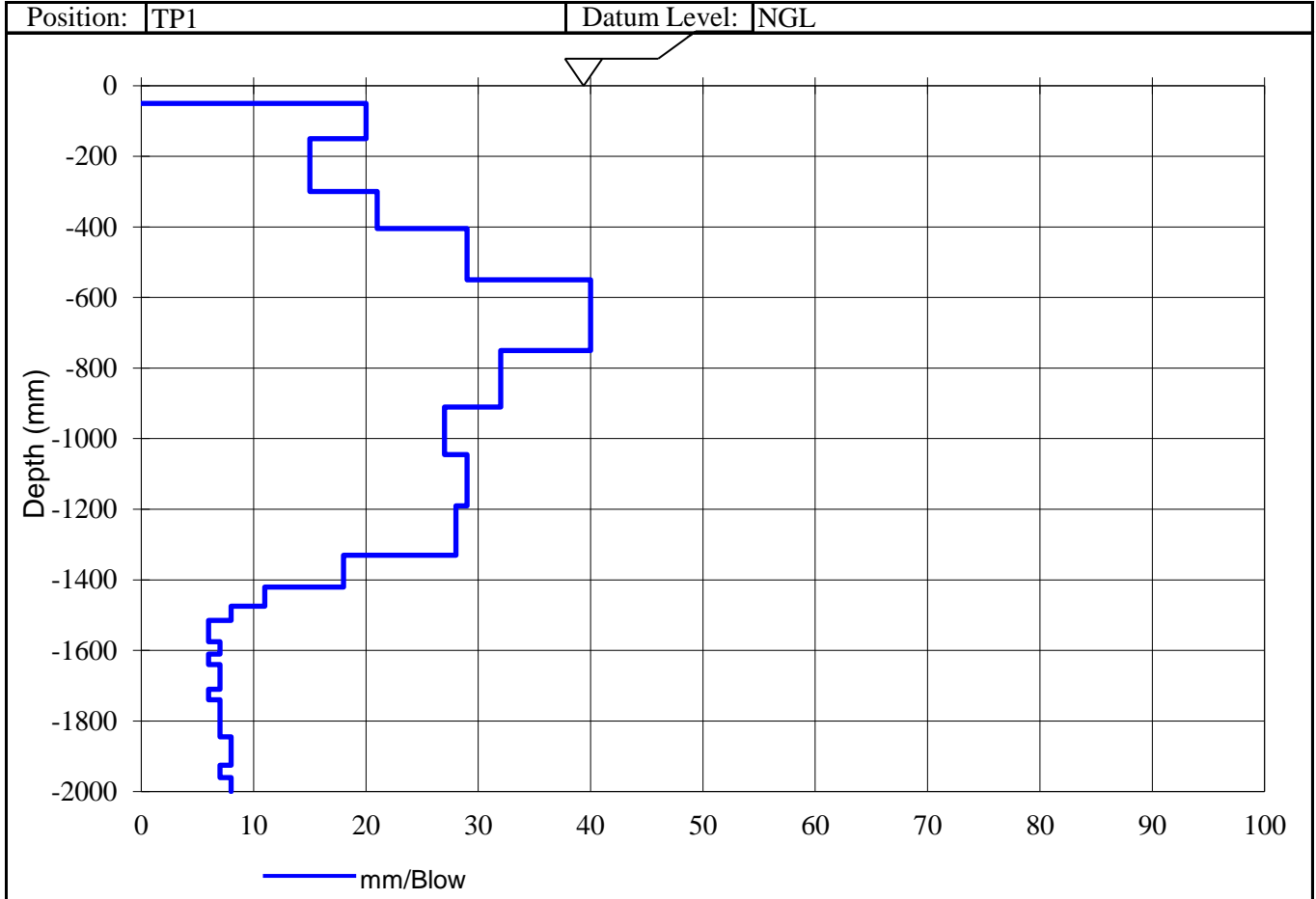
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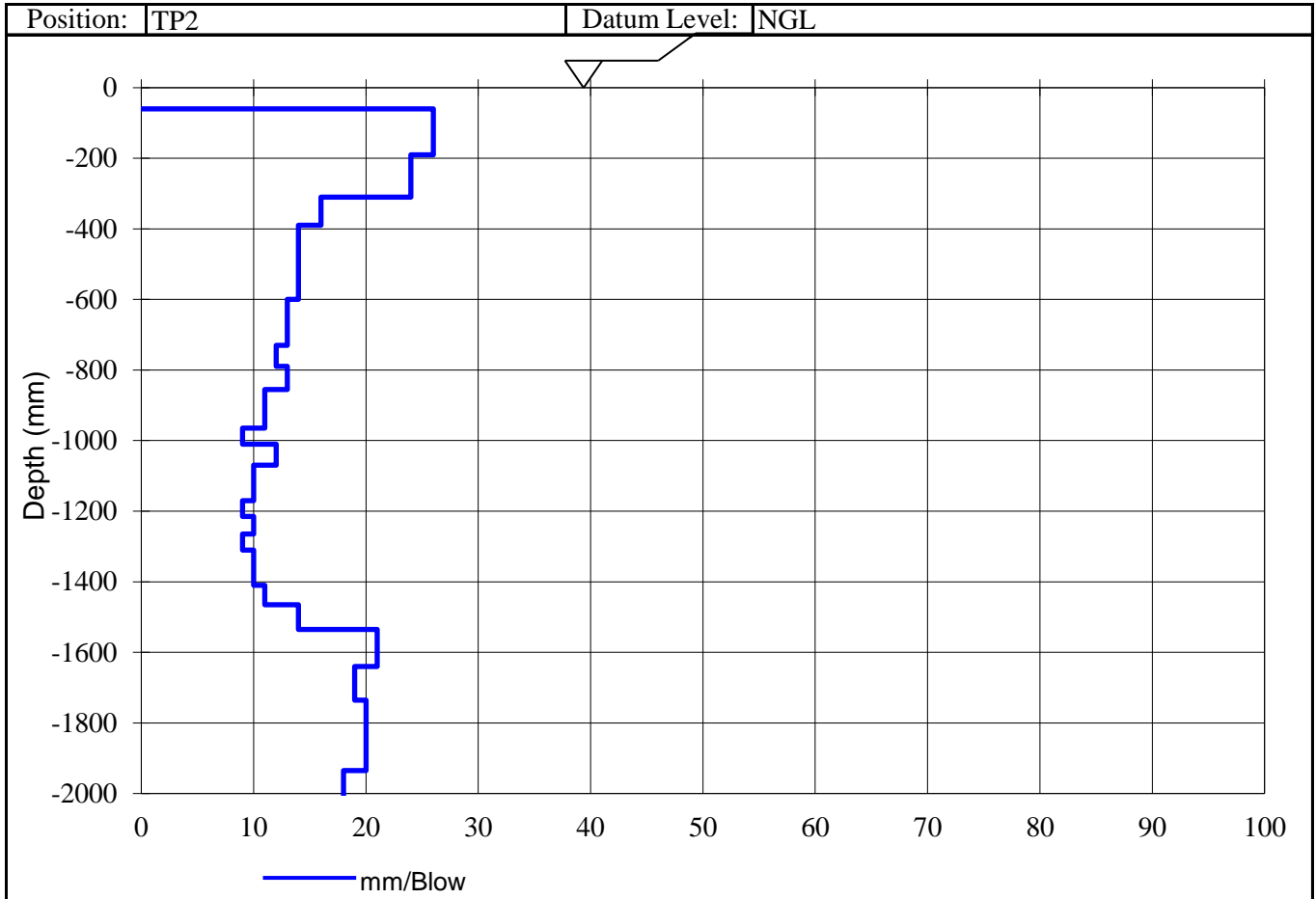
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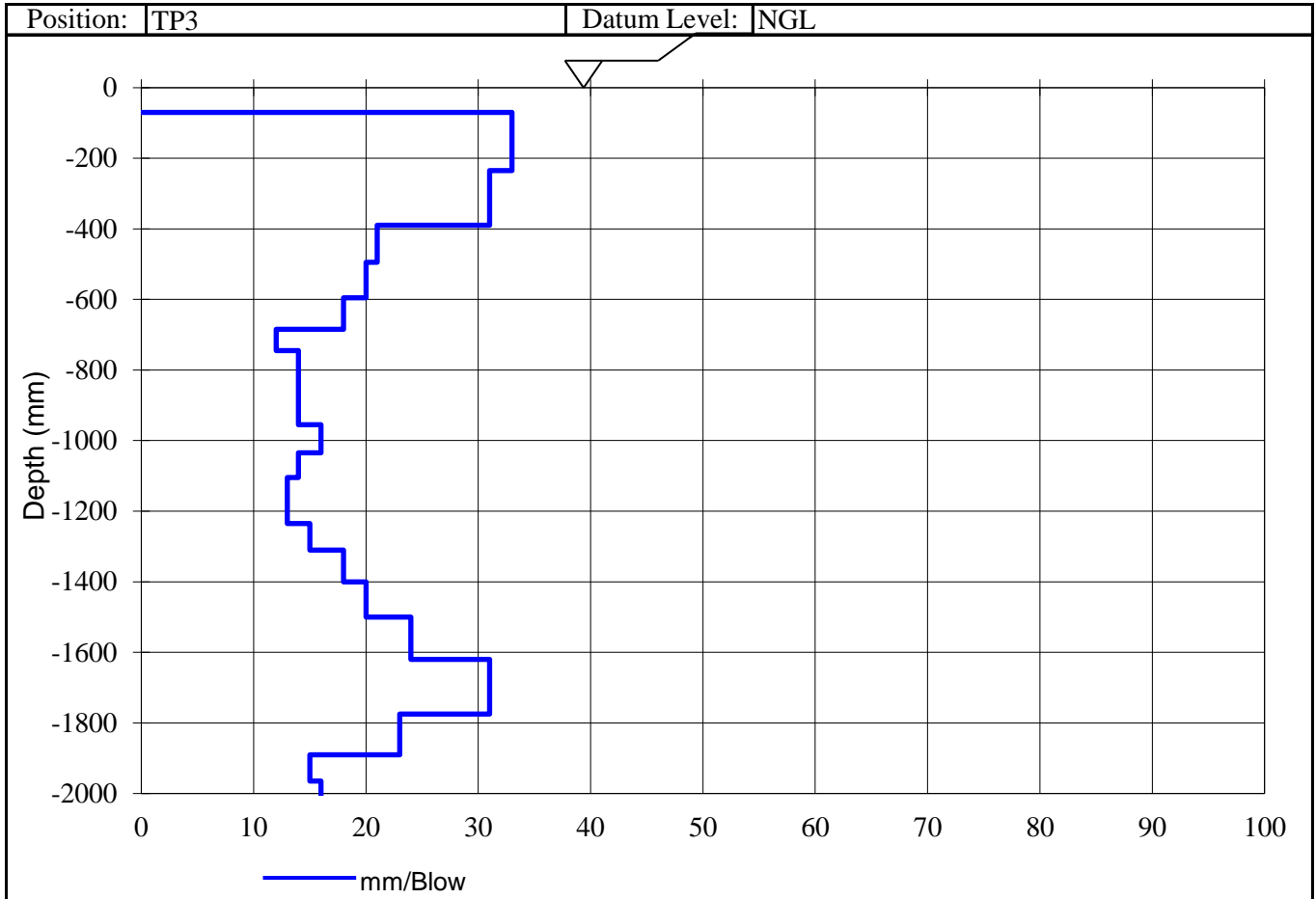
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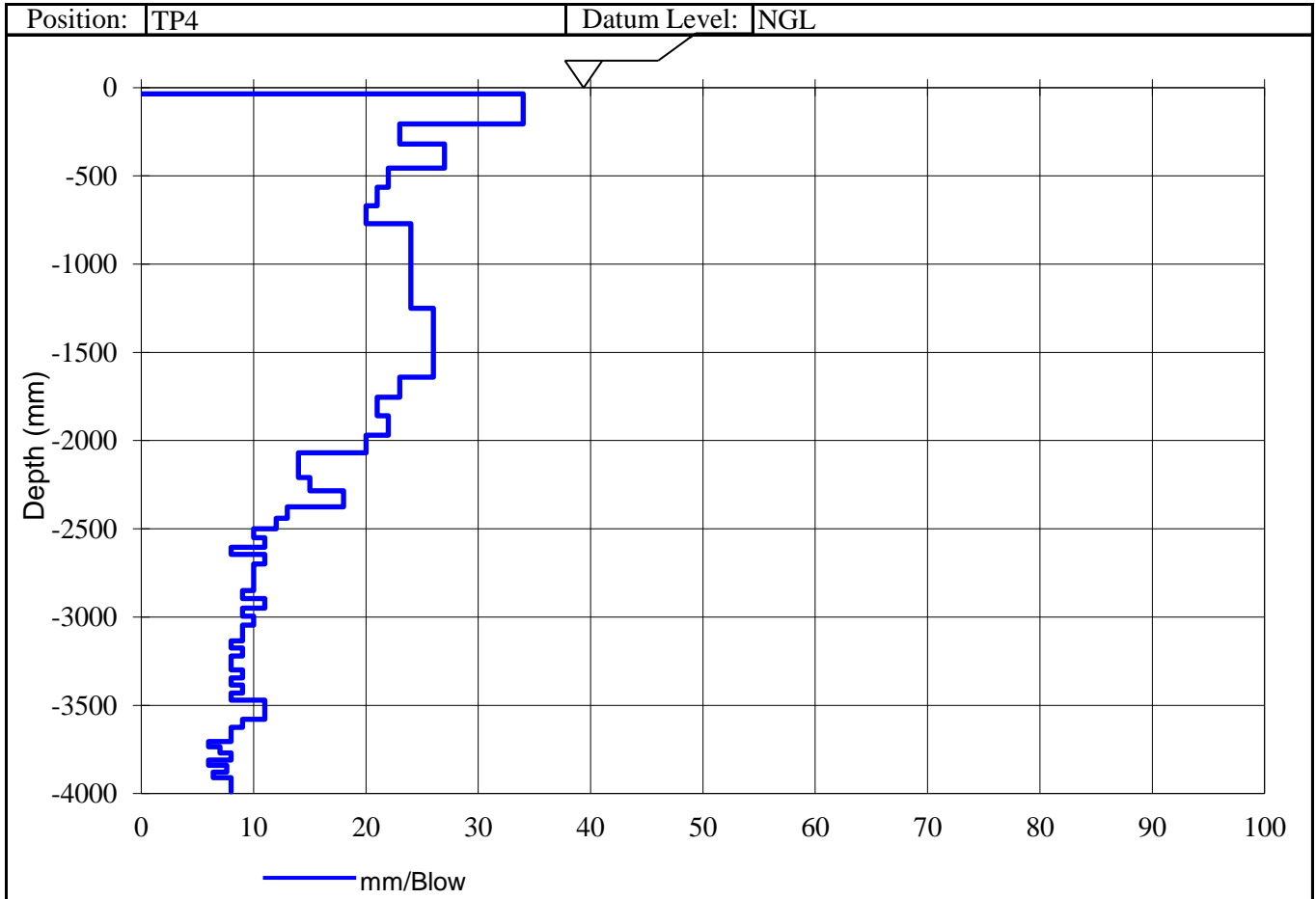
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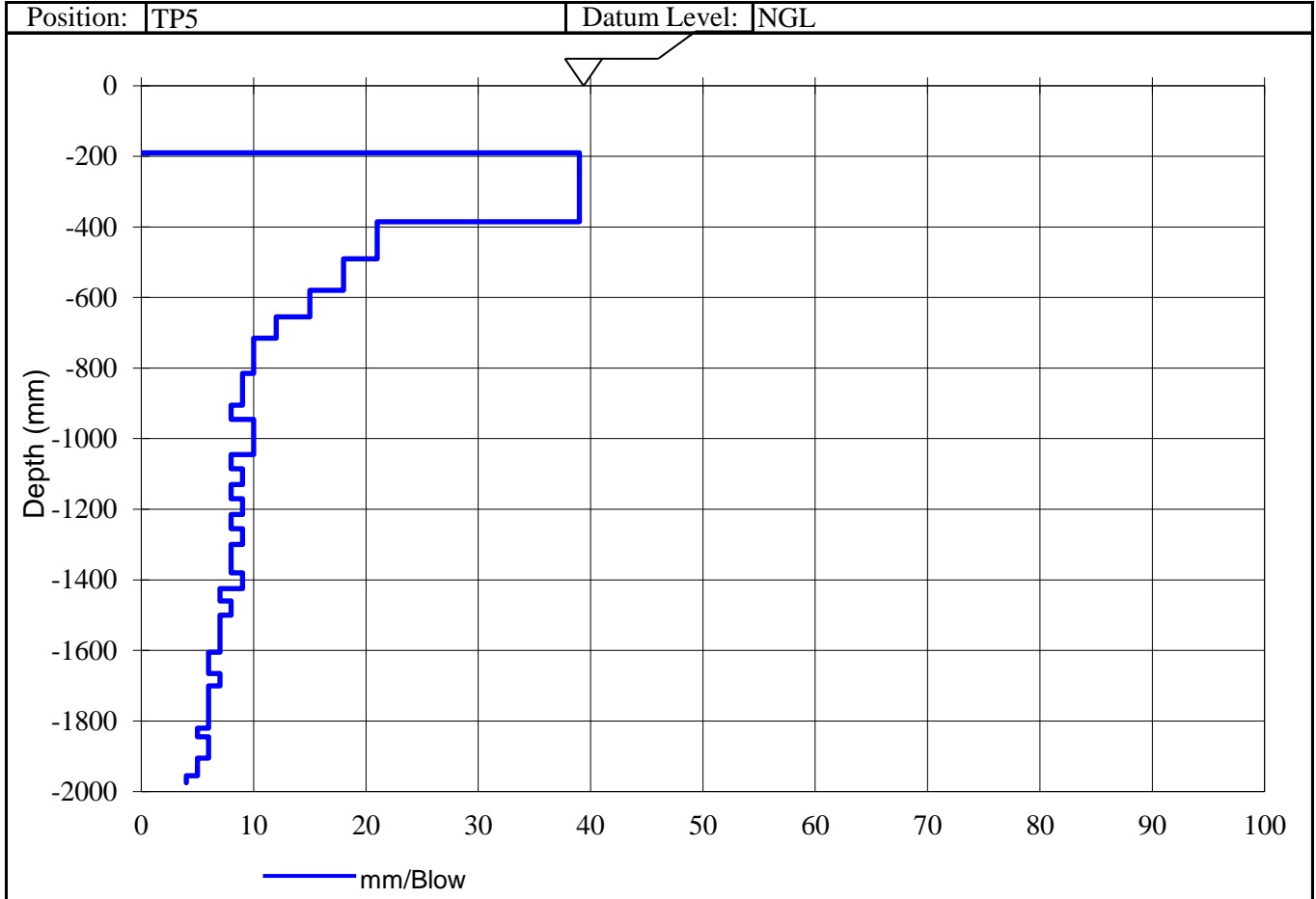
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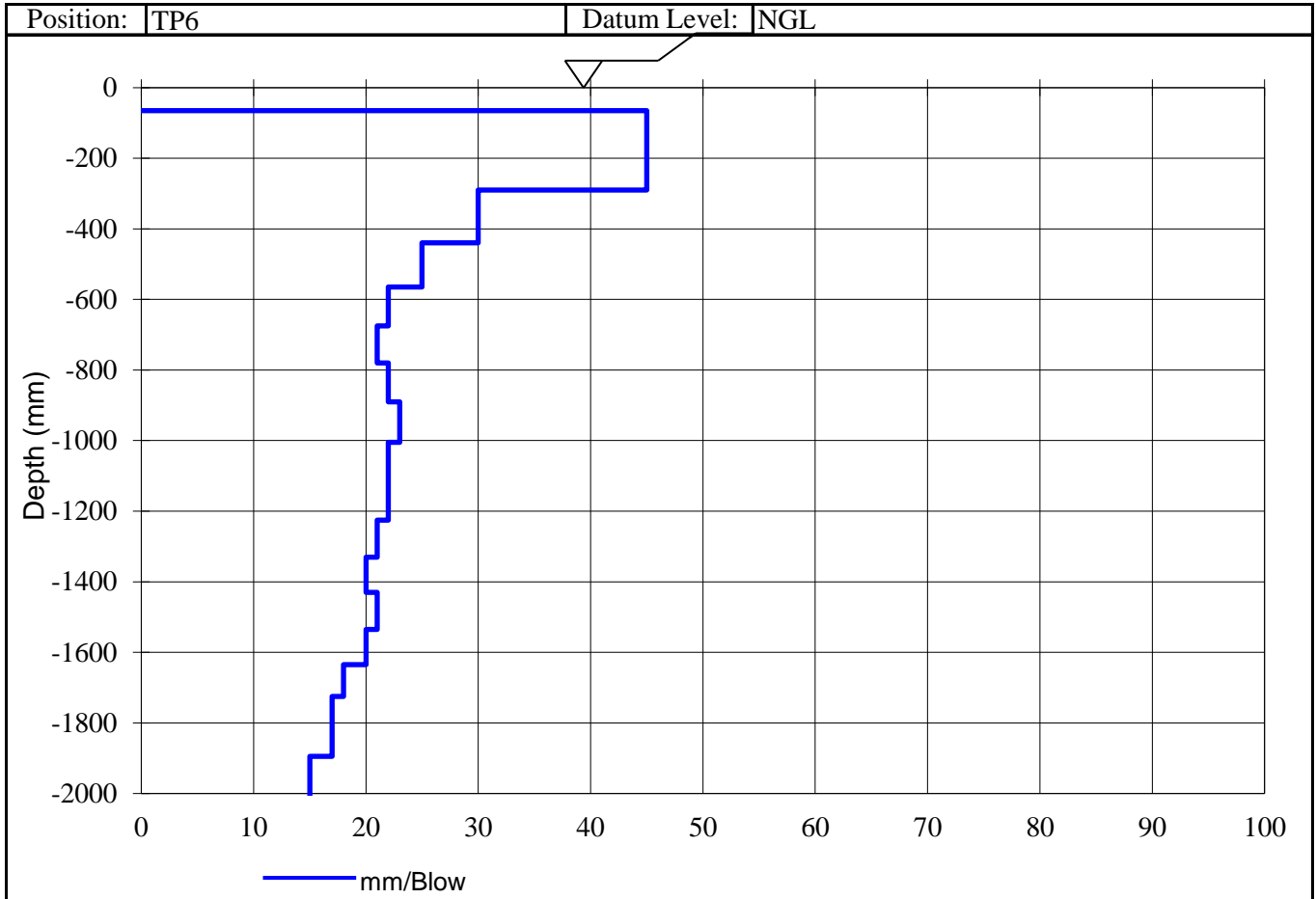
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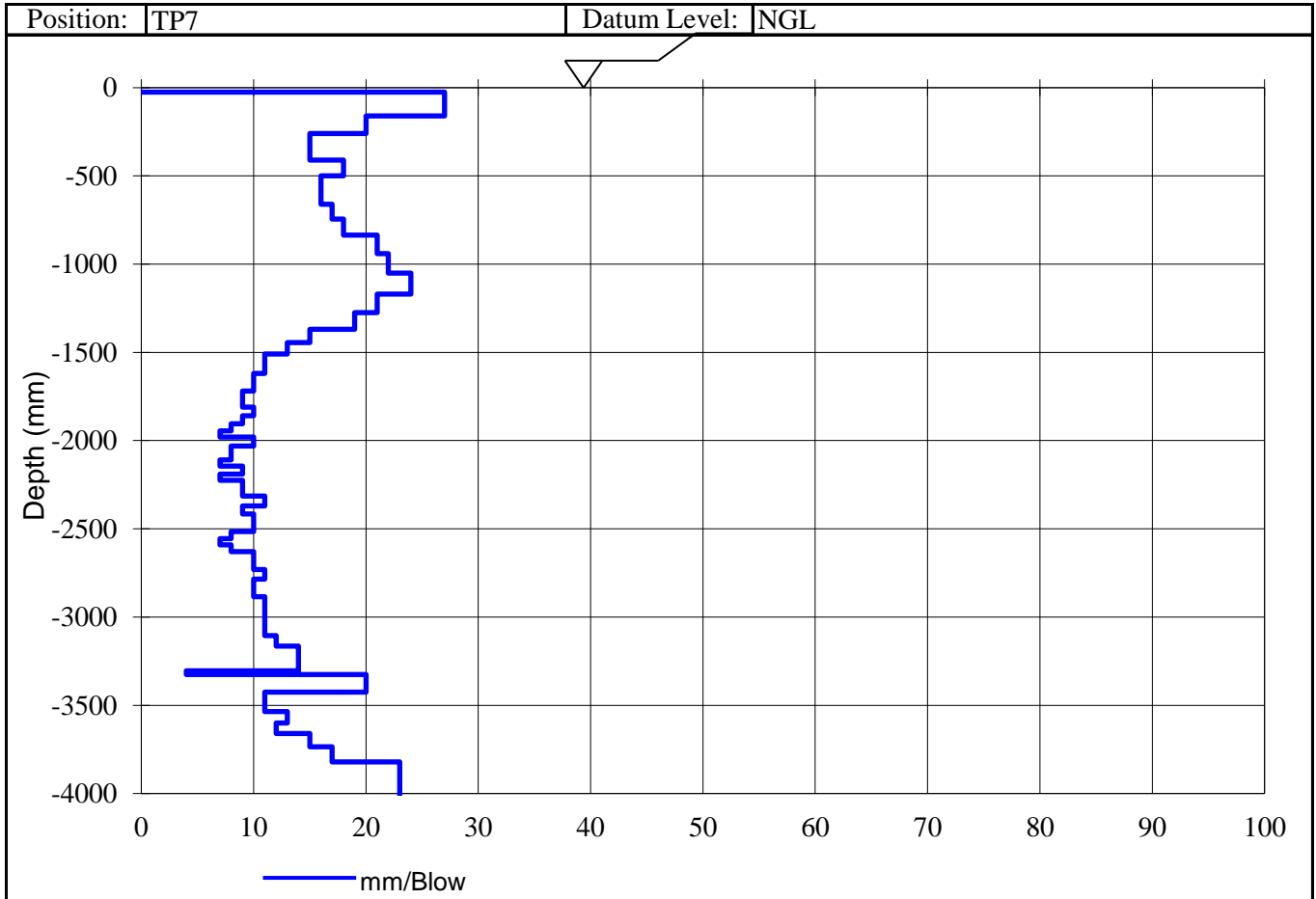
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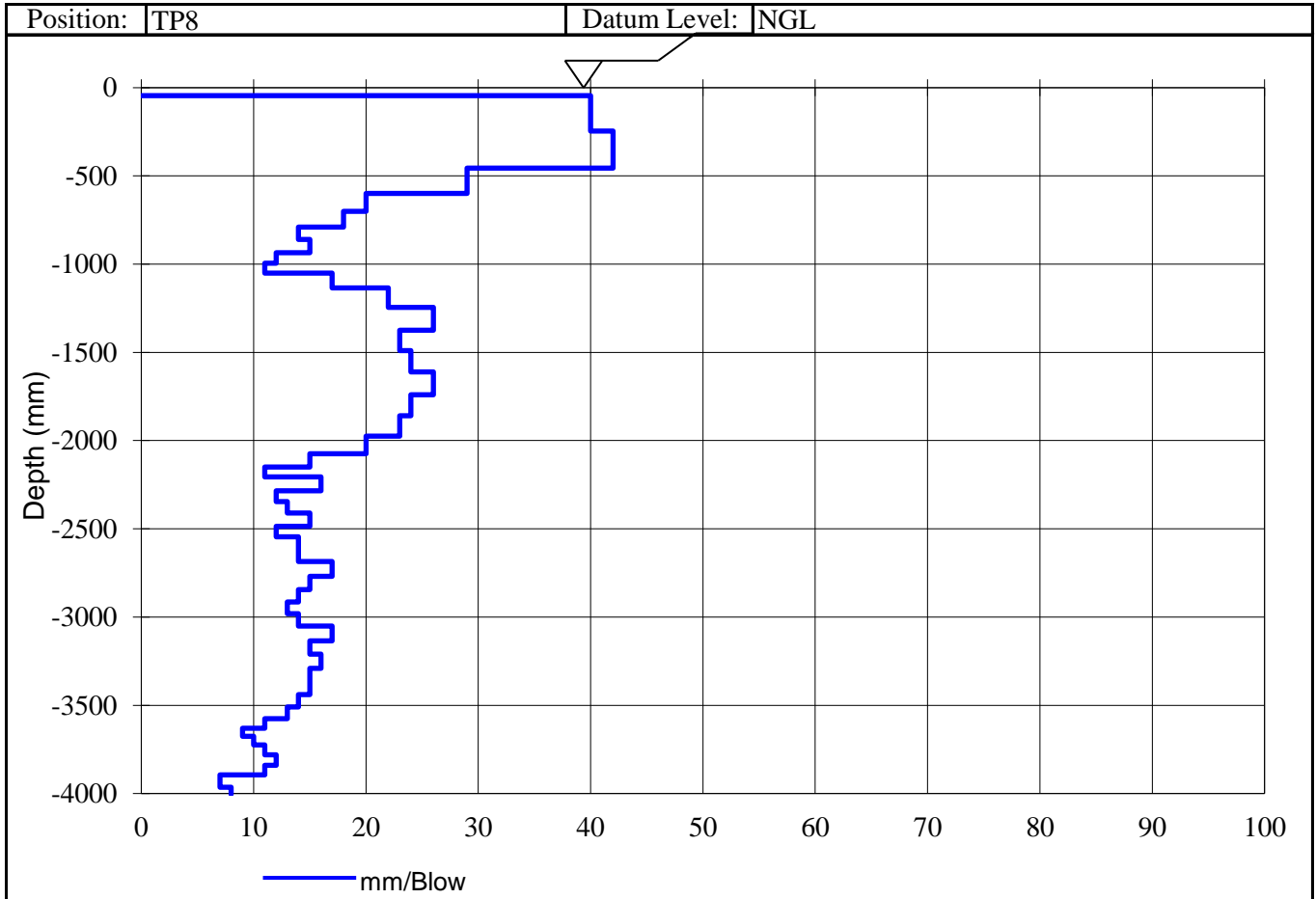
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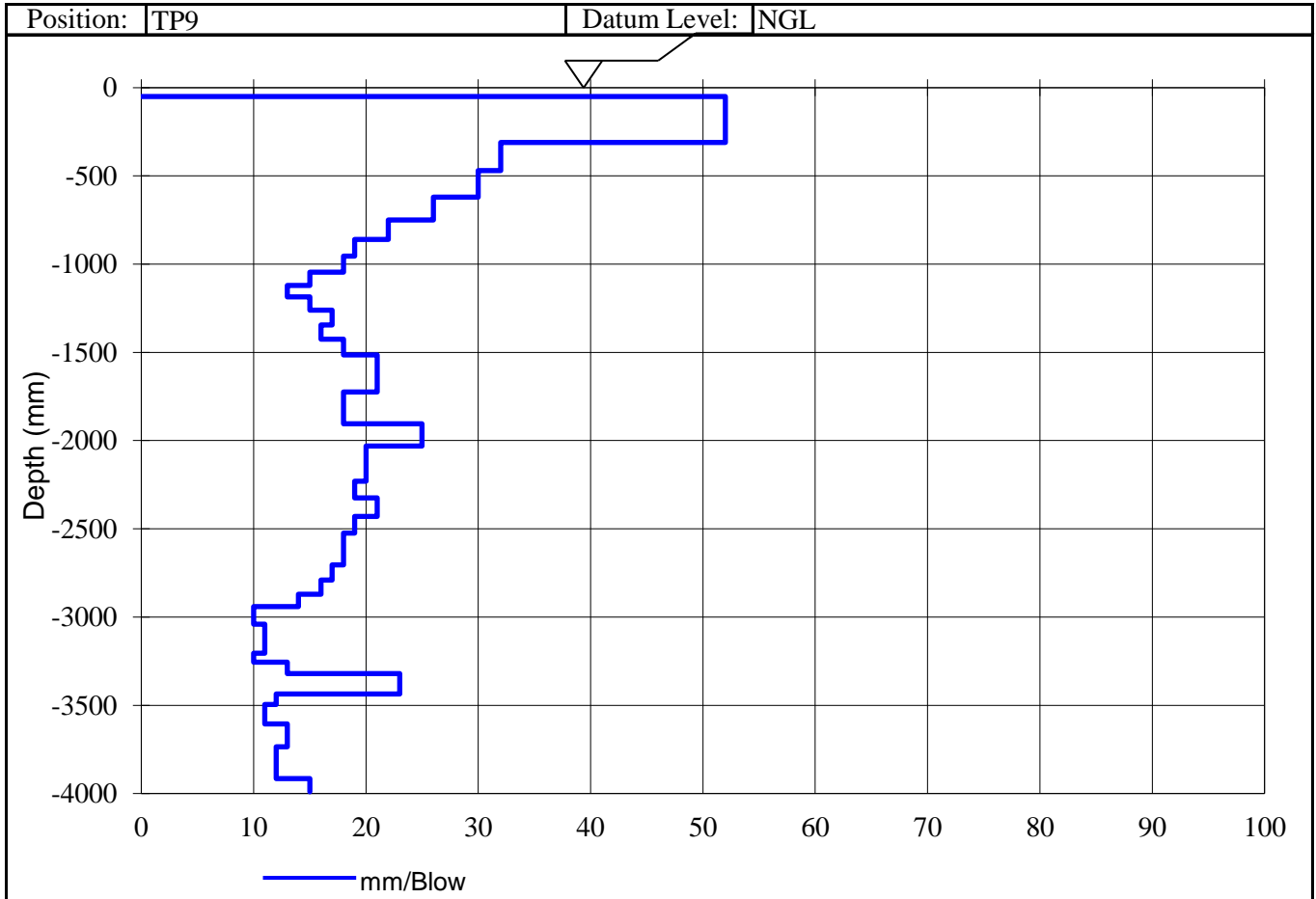
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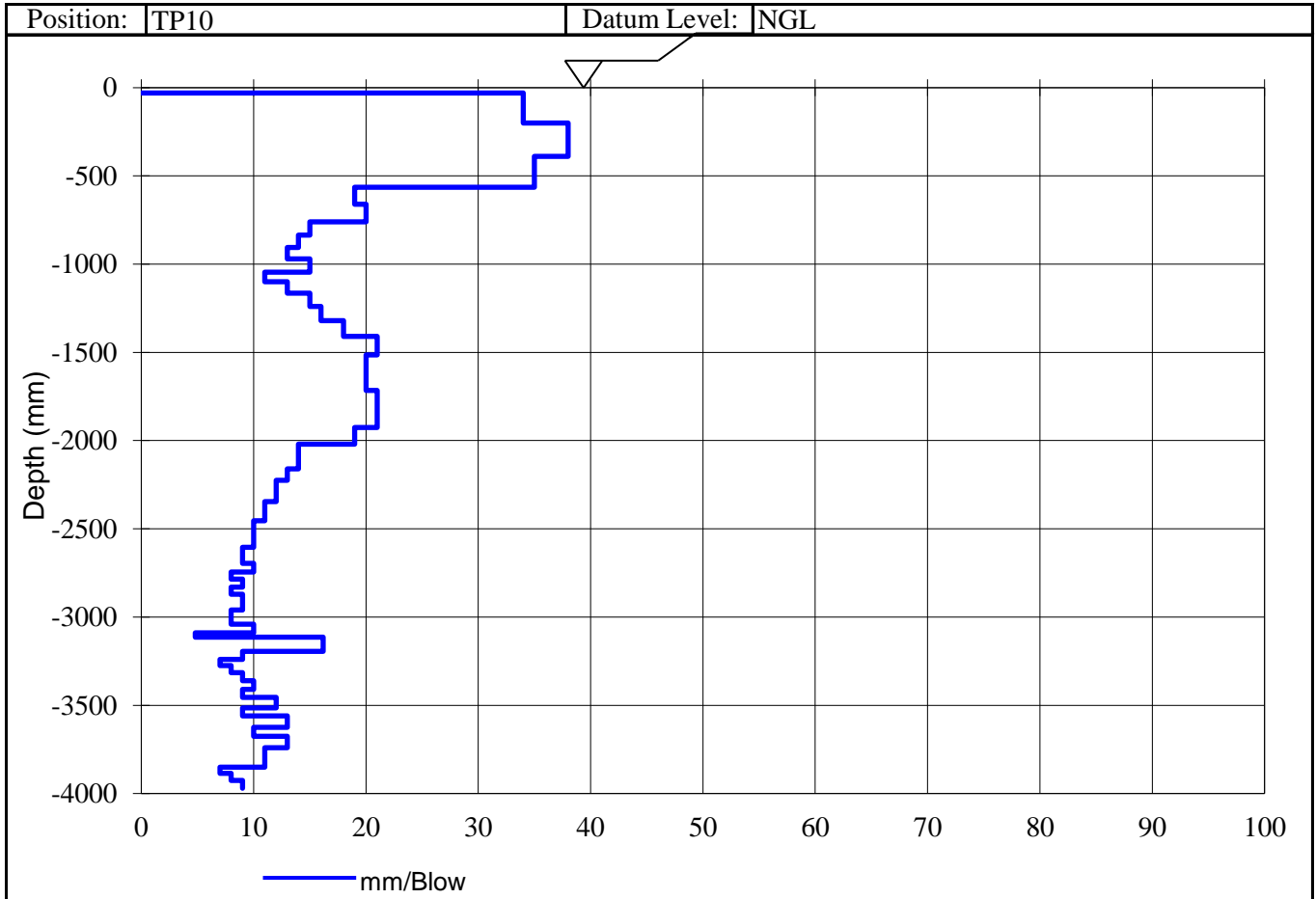
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Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: ADDENDUM TO THE GEOTECHNICAL REPORT – PORTION 91 OF MATJIESFONTEIN  
304, PLETTENBERG BAY**

1. Introduction and scope of work

As per our appointment received on 13 November 2023, we have undertaken addition testing on the above site. The scope of the work was to excavate additional trial pits along the northern boundary of the development area to determine depth of any water tables in this area, as requested by Eco Route Environmental Consultants on behalf of the DEA&DP. The methodology proposed and accepted was as follows:

- Review the geological and geotechnical data for the site;
- Conduct a subsurface investigation consisting of the following methods:
  - Excavate 5x new test pits spread out along the northern boundary of the development footprint with a TLB/back-actor to max depth of 2.5m or refusal.
  - Profile and photograph of test pits by qualified engineering geologist according to SAICE Code of Practice.
  - Record water tables if any.
- Present results in a short factual addendum report.

The testing commenced on the 23 November 2023 and was completed on the same day. The environmental conditions at the time were generally sunny and warm.

2. Results

The new test positions are indicated on the plan attached in Appendix 1, as TP12-16. The profiles for these test positions are also attached in the same appendix.

A summary of the soil profiles is provided in Table 1 below. The test pits were slightly variable, but generally exposed a dominantly sandy or silty sandy profile consisting mainly of naturally transported soils (aeolian/ alluvial/colluvial). Some localised deposits of imported fill/disturbed soil of variable thickness were also encountered above the naturally occurring soil horizons (refer specifically to TP12). Residual soils were encountered below the transported soils in one test pit (TP16) which were derived from the insitu weathering of the underlying shale rock, which was also exposed towards the base of TP16. **No ground water was encountered in any of the test pits.**

**Table 1: Summary of test pit profiles**

<i>Test pos. No.</i>	<i>Imported (fill) soil</i>	<i>Transported soil</i>	<i>Pedogenic soil</i>	<i>Residual soil</i>	<i>Rock</i>	<i>Final depth of test pit</i>	<i>Refusal</i>	<i>Water table depth</i>
TP12	0-2000	2000-3000	-	-	-	3000	None	-
TP13	0-400	400-2400	-	-	-	2400	None	-
TP14	0-150	150-2500	-	-	-	2500	None	-
TP15	-	0-2400	-	-	-	2400	None	-
TP16	-	0-900	-	900-1900	1900-2300	2300	None	-

### 3. Conclusions

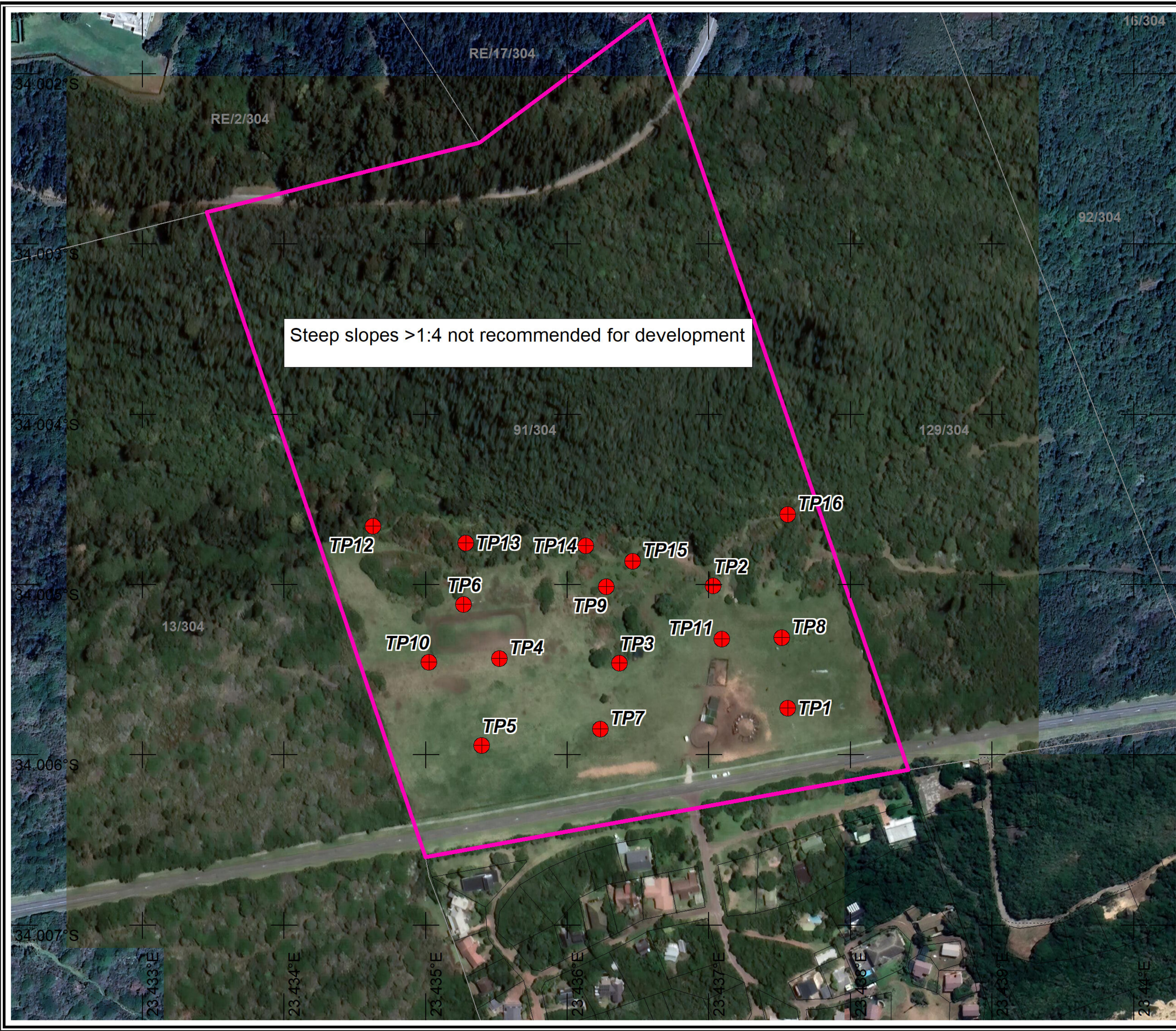
The additional tests did not encounter any perched water tables or groundwater seepage, but this may be due to the generally dry conditions at the time of the investigation.

Yours faithfully



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## **Appendix 1**



Steep slopes >1:4 not recommended for development



**Legend**

- Property boundary
- Test positions

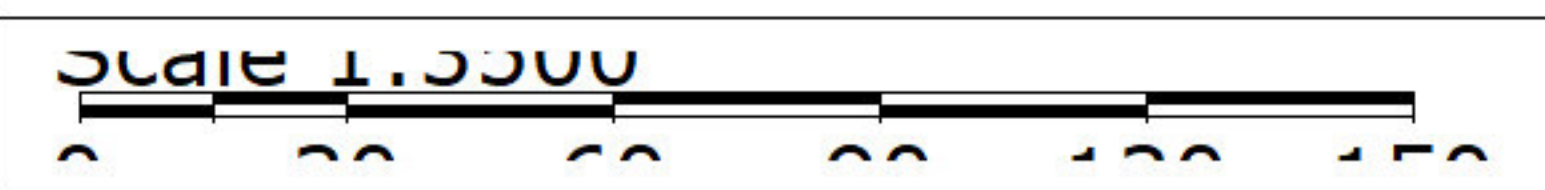
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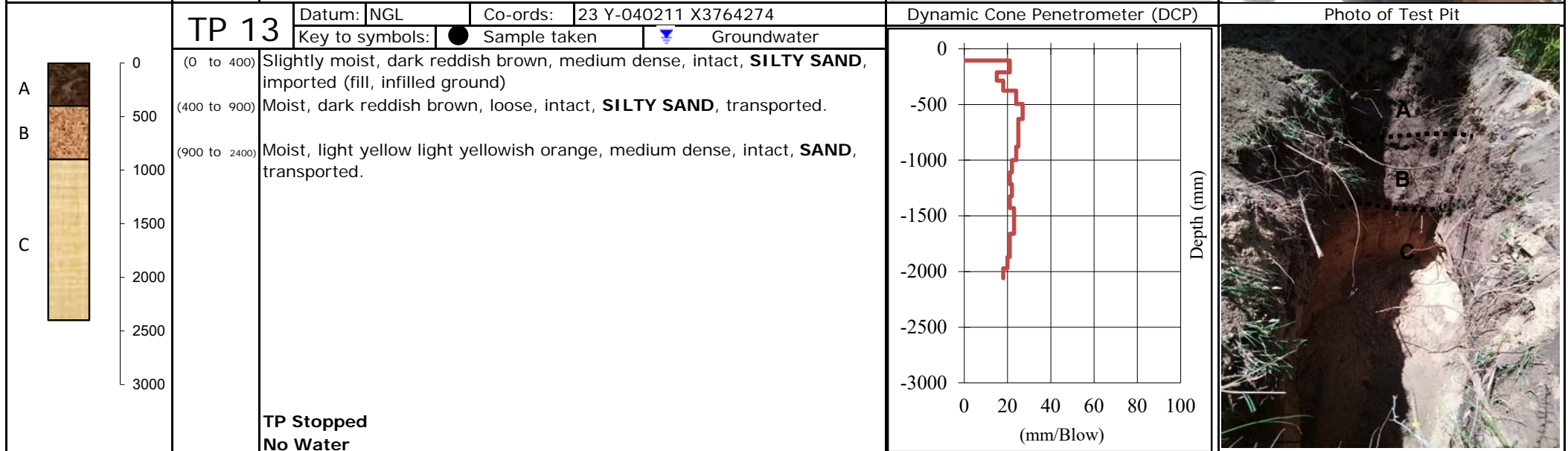
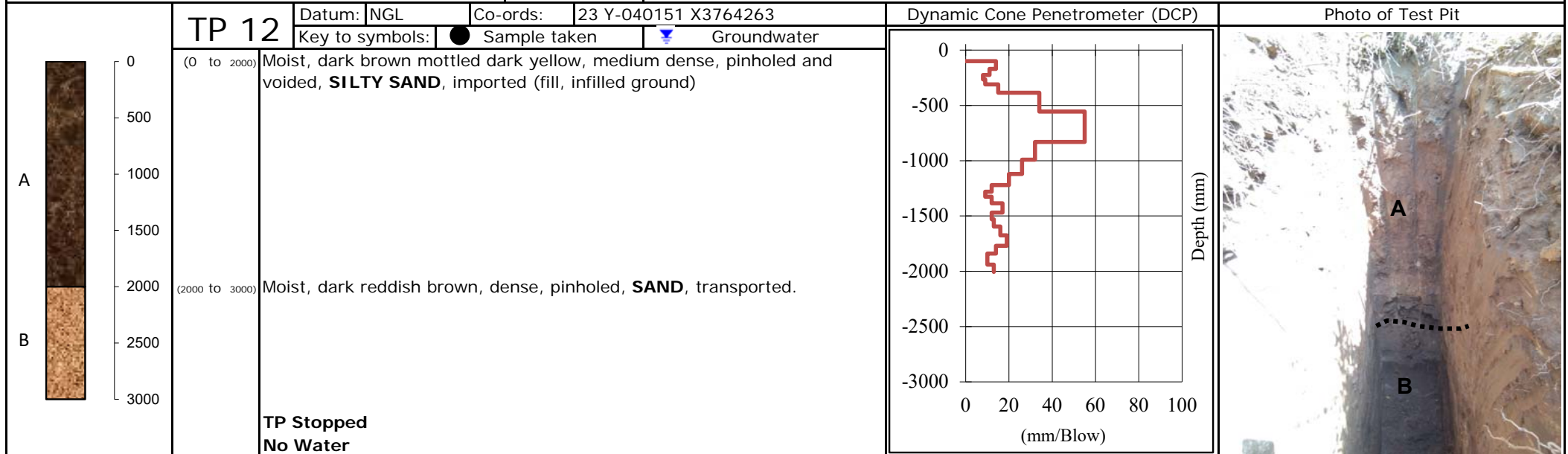




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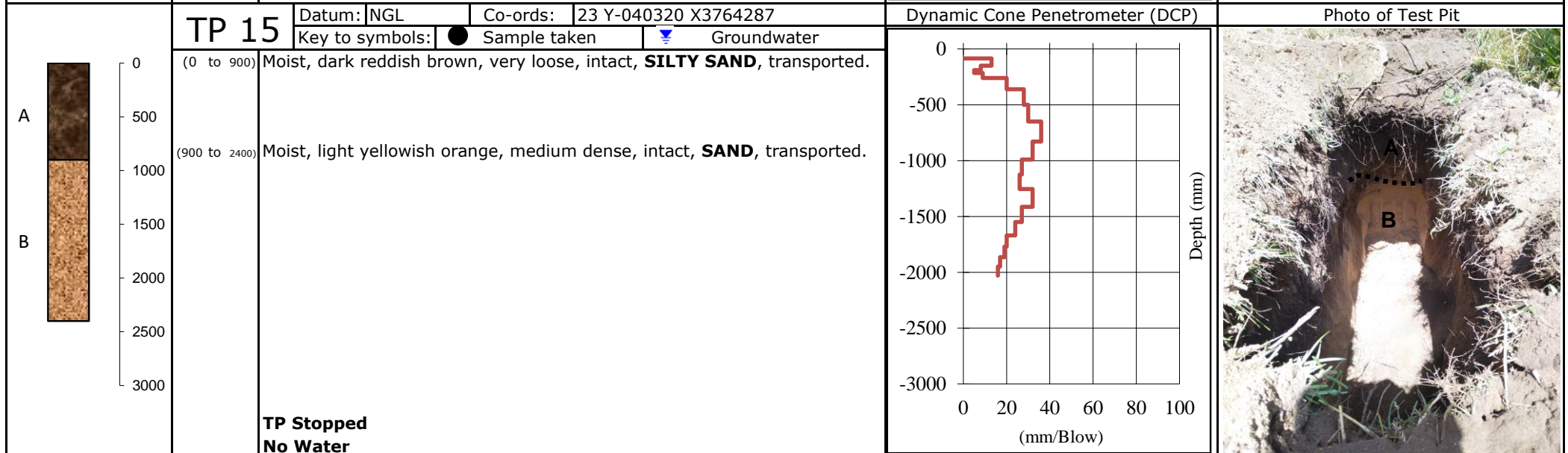
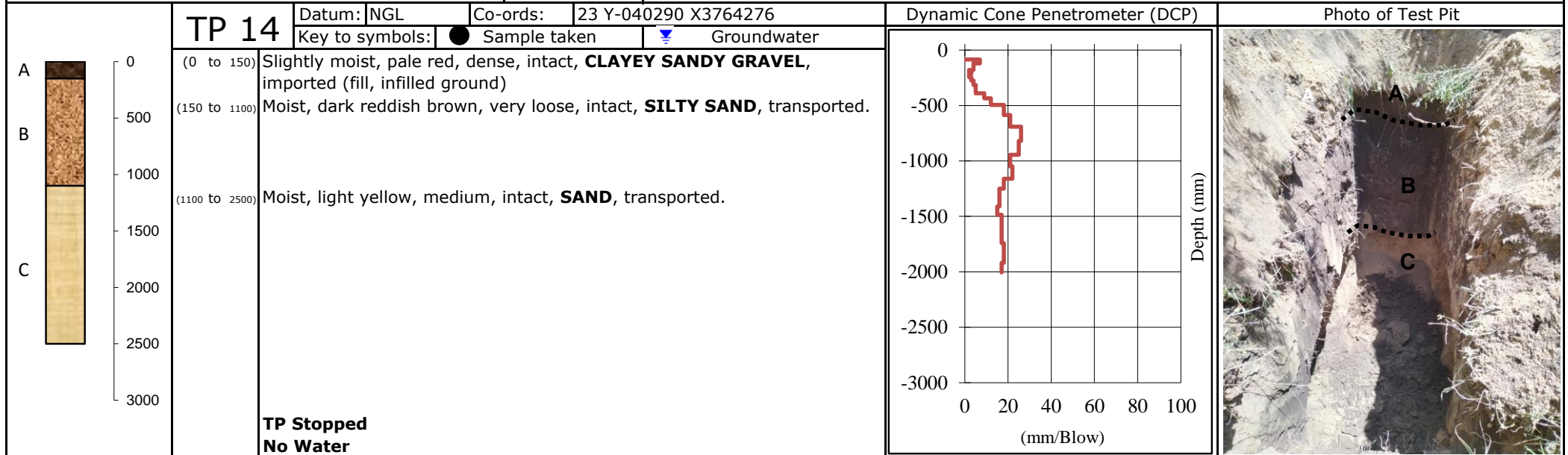




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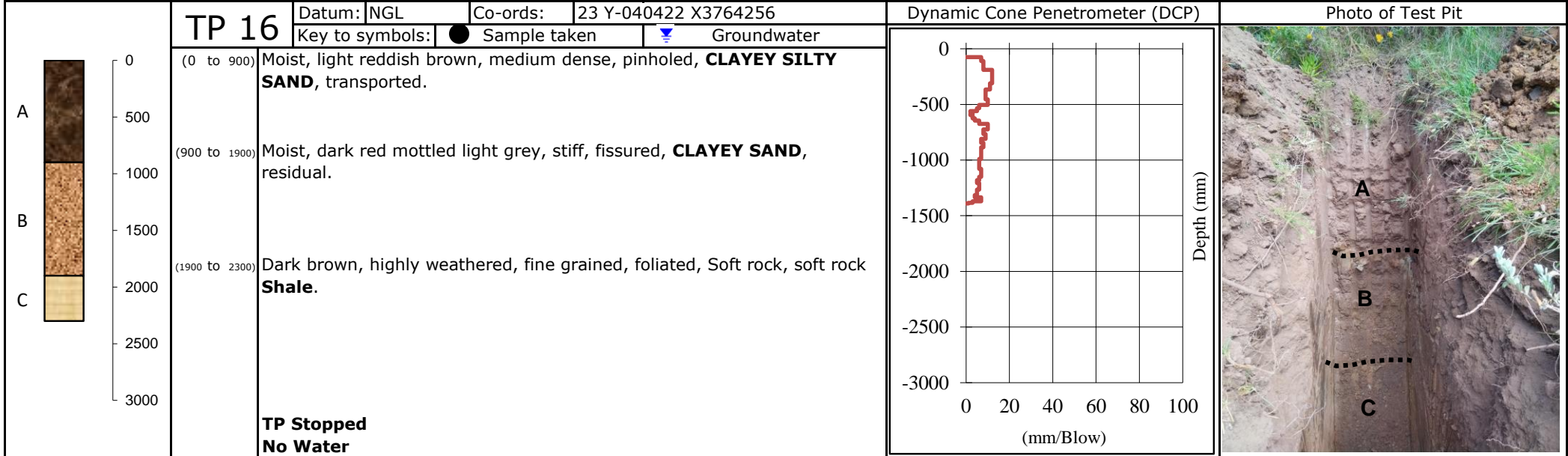


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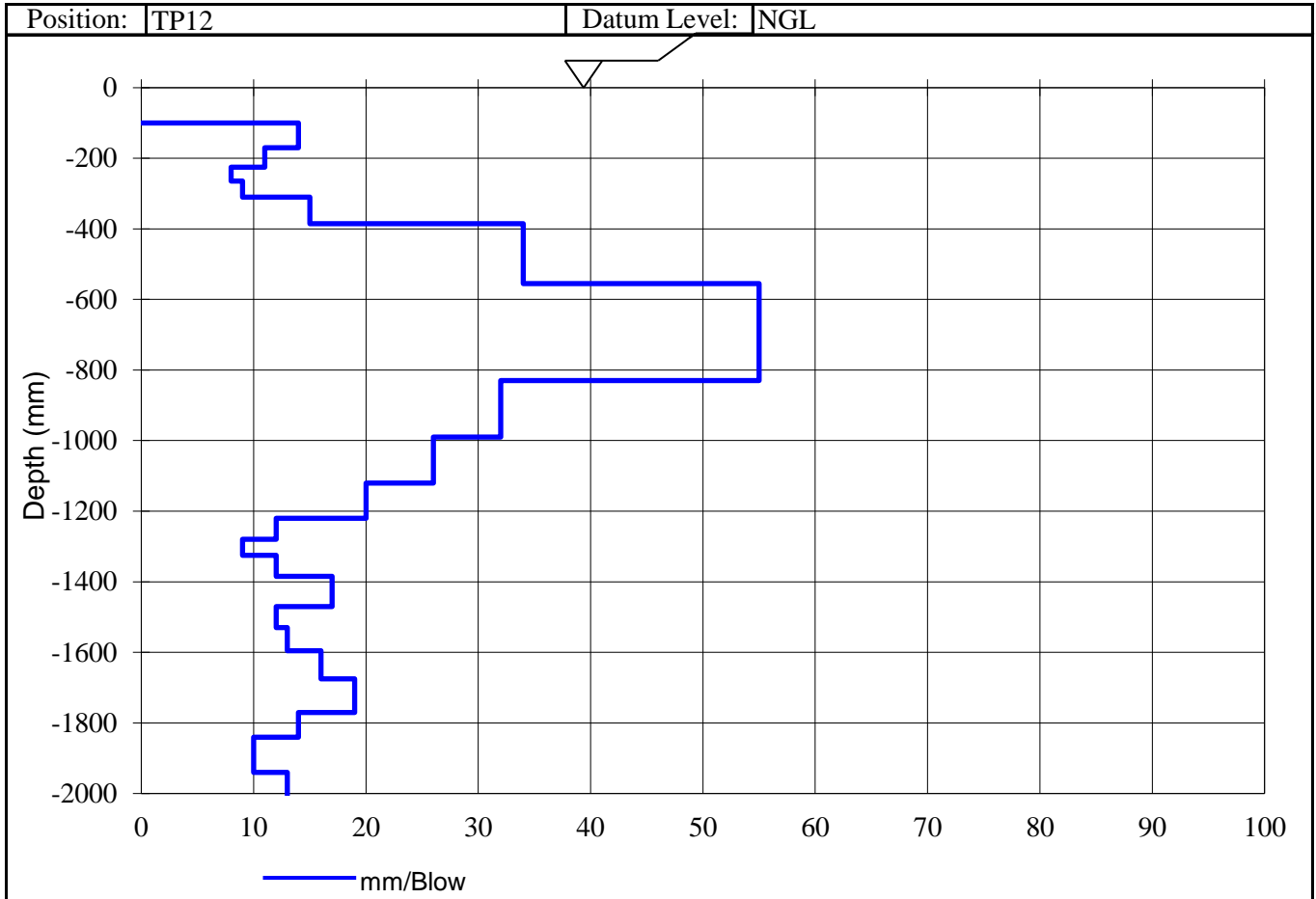
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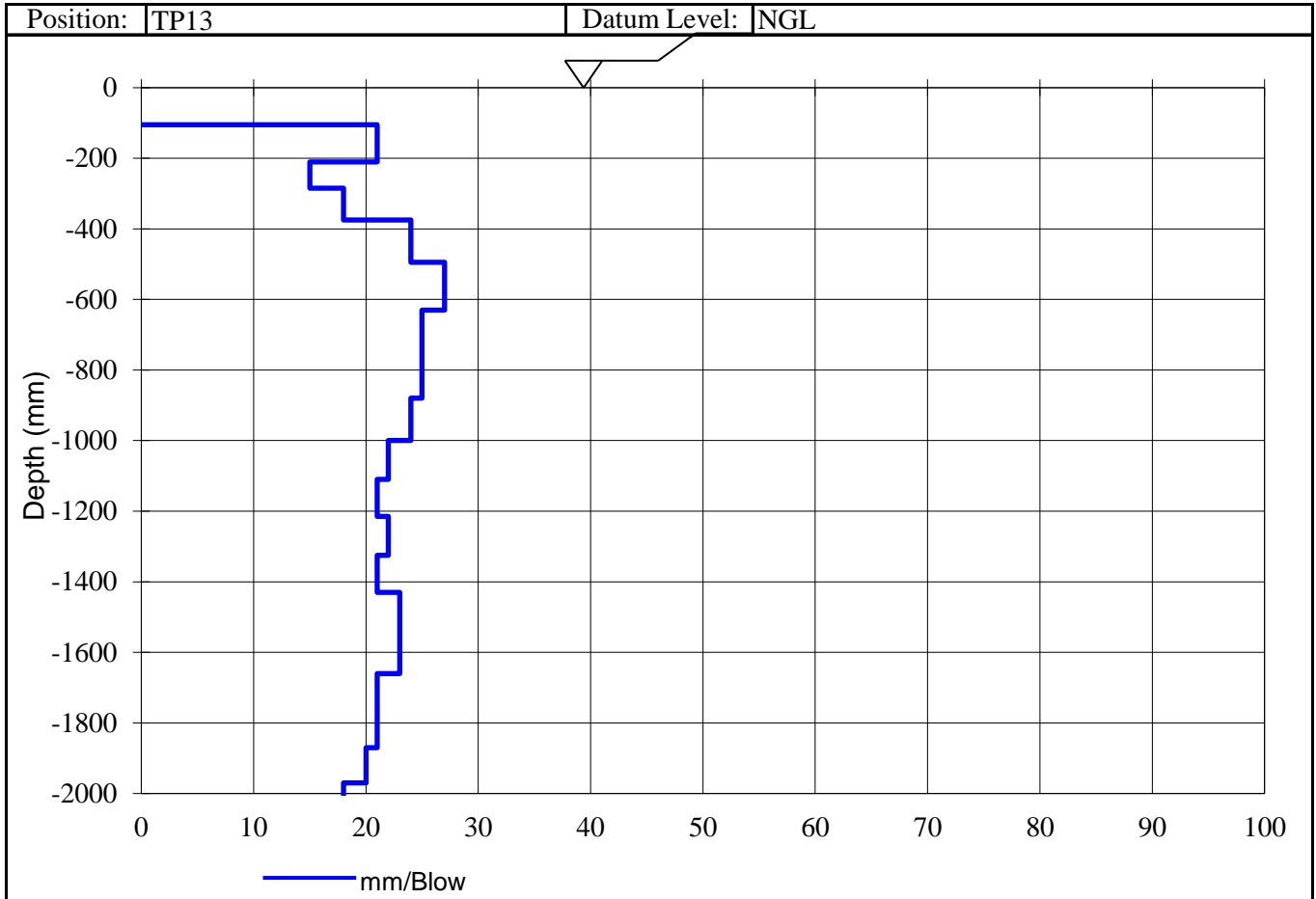
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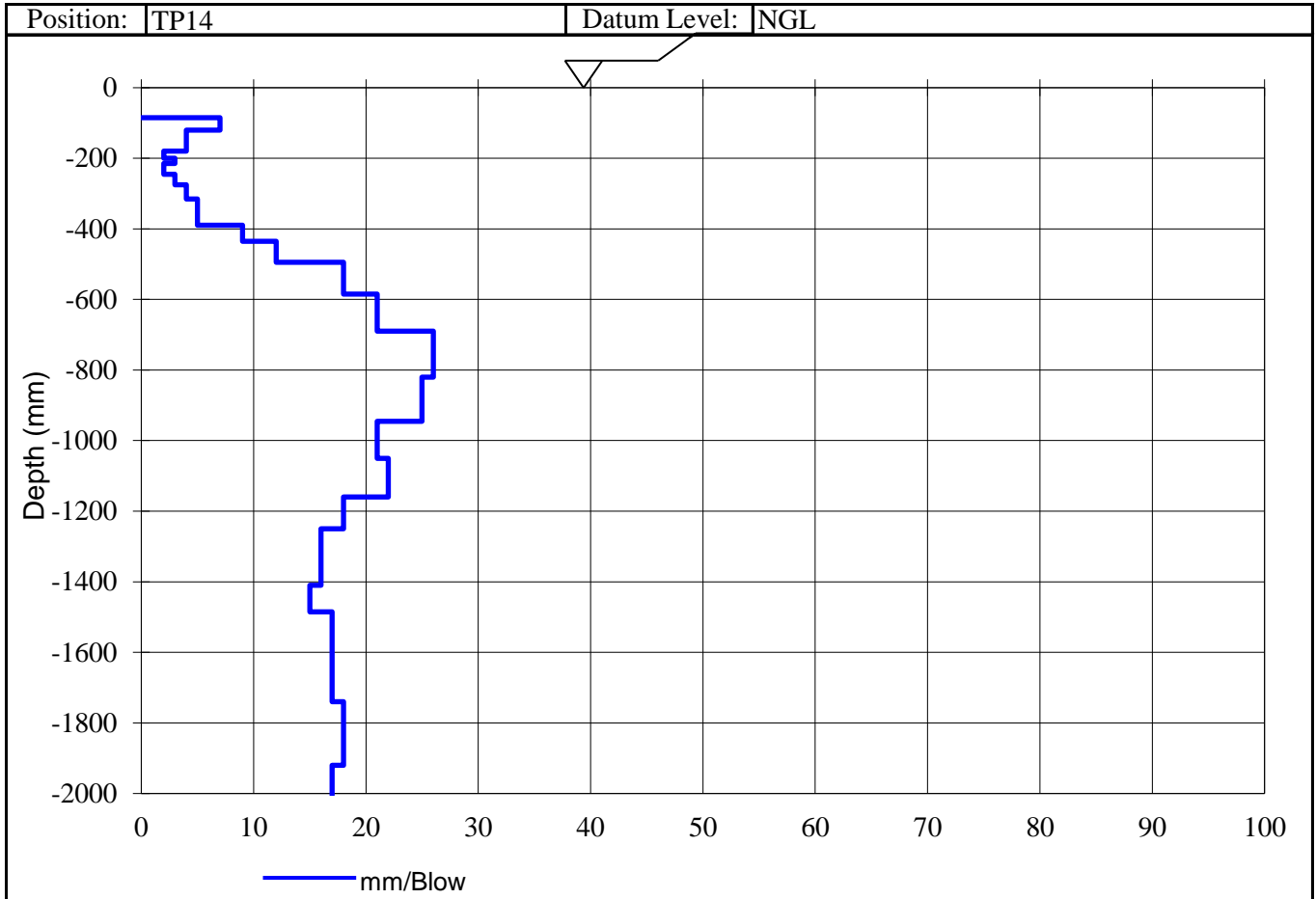
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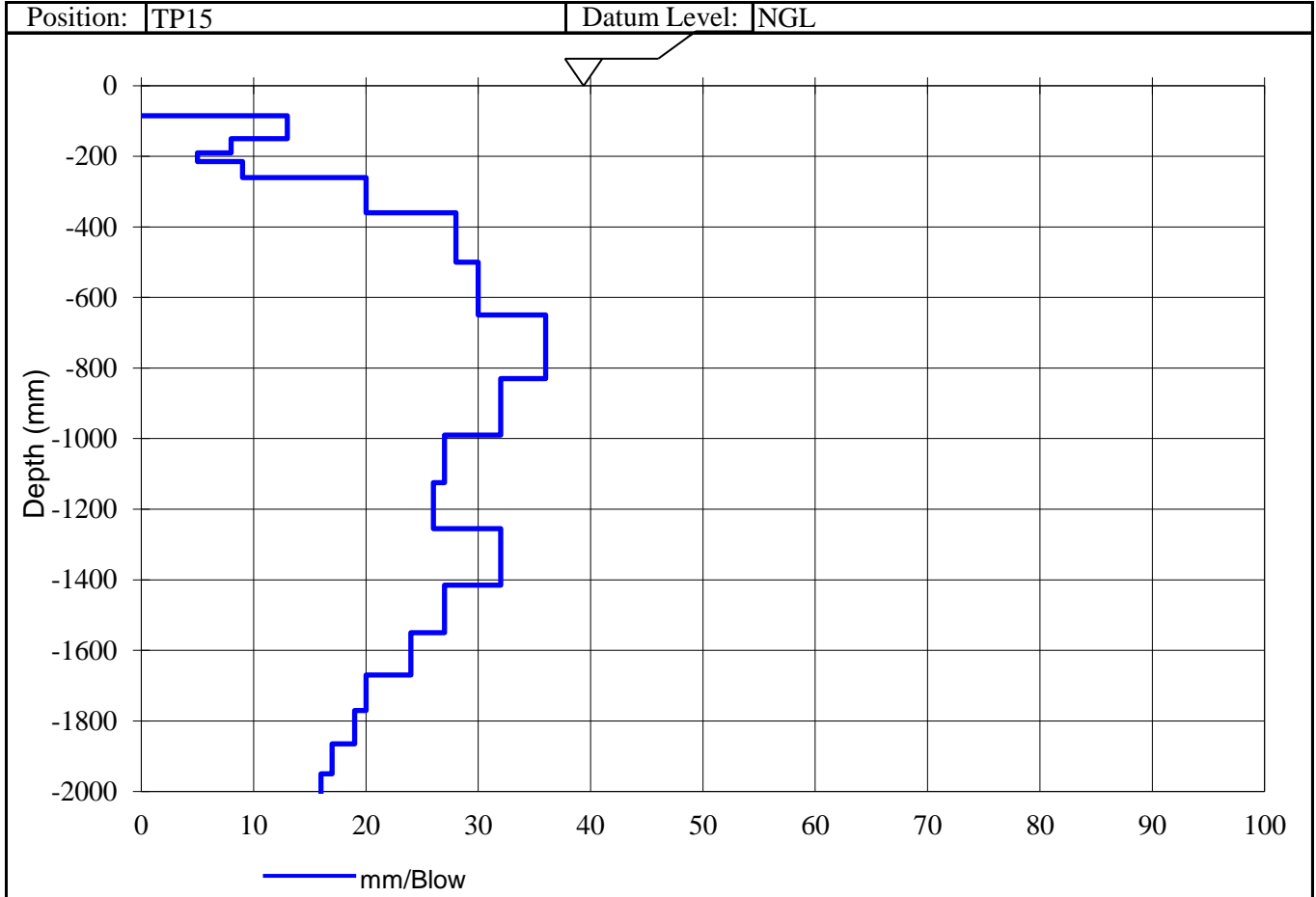
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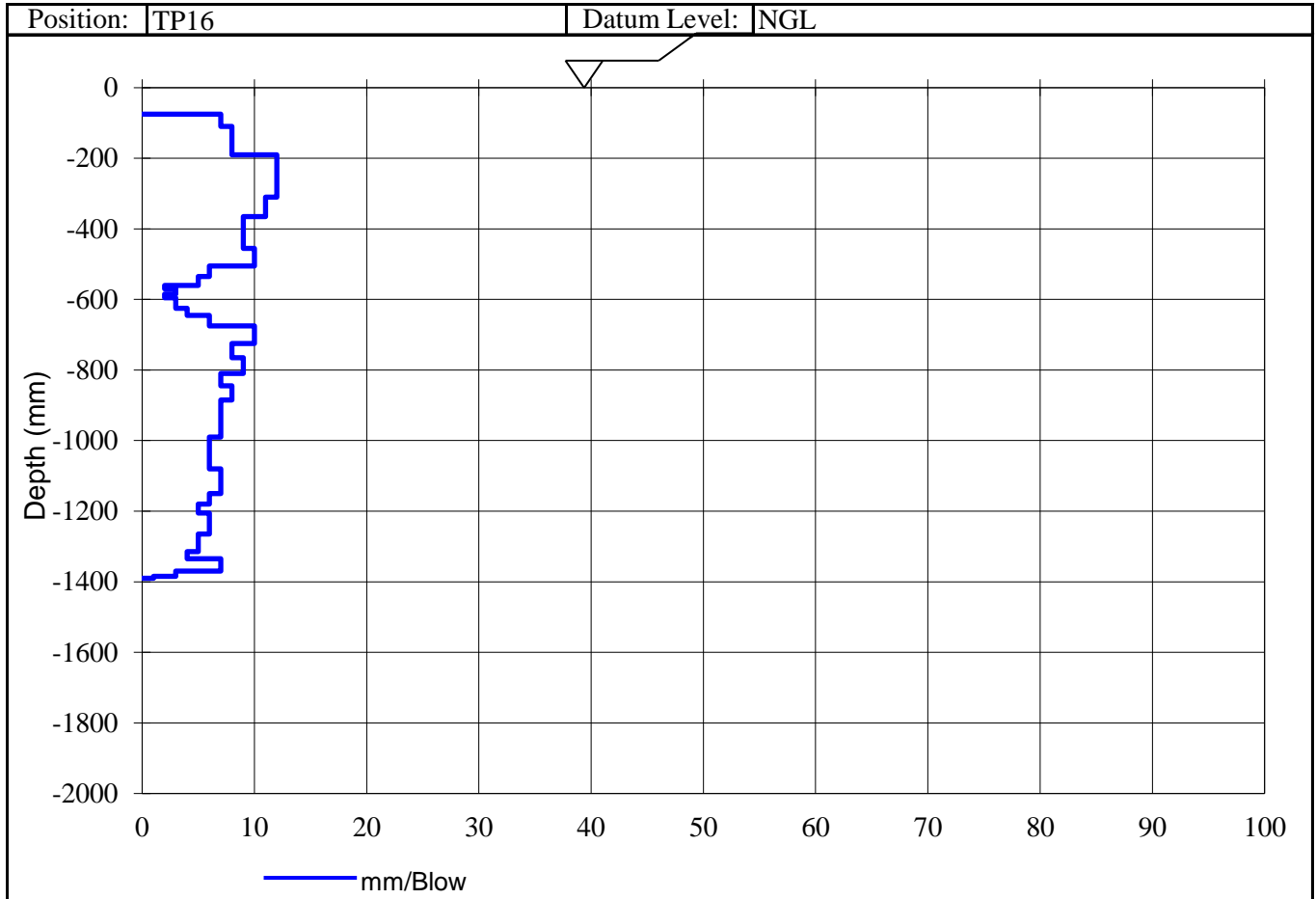
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