MEMORANDUM

1 Introduction

This memorandum is part of the Site Plan application amendment for D07-12-16-0081, the memo gives an overview of the new stormwater management/drainage approach and measures for the development of 3400 Old Montreal Road, East of Ottawa. The proposed site development includes the 3 buildings, a pavilion and a lodge as well as an access route and parking areas. A site plan agreement based on an old Site Plan has been previously submitted and signed by the City of Ottawa.

Figure 2 shows the proposed development and access roads/parking area locations and layout. Proposed stormwater management/drainage measures for the new development consists of a Low Impact Development (LID) Treatment Train Approach which includes a series of grass swales, vegetated filter strips, and a bioretention feature.

To provide a complete overview of the servicing of the new development, other new components include water servicing from an existing privately operated water well and a septic system, in addition to the enhanced grass swales.

2 Site Description

2.1 Existing Conditions

The site is located on the south side of Old Montreal Road, approximately 440 m west of Beckett's Creek Road as shown on **Figure 1**. The site is zoned Rural Residential 1. The municipal address of the proposed site is 3468 Old Montreal Road (PIN 145340141) and a portion of 3400 Old Montreal Road (PIN 145340140) in the City of Ottawa.

The site is primarily undeveloped with stone dust covered pathways and a number of stone sculptures. There are no permanent buildings on the site, however the owner is using a metal storage container for some landscaping equipment. The owner of the site has also constructed temporary gravel access roads to connect the site to Nirmala Drive and Old Montreal Road. These gravel roads were considered in the existing catchment runoff coefficients. The proposed site is bisected by a hydro corridor with overhead transmission lines mounted on wooden hydro poles which are found at two locations on the subject site. Surrounding properties consist of Old Montreal Road to the north of the property, vacant land to the south (which will become Cumberland Estates Phase 2), a residential property to the east, and vacant woodlots to the west.

3 Proposed Stormwater Management (SWM)

The overarching stormwater management strategy for the development of this site will maintain the existing drainage patterns to minimize the impacts to the Ravines which the site drains to today. To mitigate impact on these Ravines, Low Impact Development (LID) solutions such as enhanced grass swales and bioretention facilities for stormwater quality and quantity control are proposed.

The principles and methodologies of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) Stormwater Management Planning and Design Guidelines (2003) and Toronto Region Conservation Authority/Credit Valley Conservation Authority (TRCA/CVC) Low Impact Development Stormwater Management Planning and Design Guide (2010) were applied for the analysis and design of the drainage and SWM system.

4 Stormwater Approach and Criteria

4.1 Quantity Control

For quantity control, the proposed stormwater management system will reduce the post-development peak flow to the pre-development runoff during storm events up to and including the 100-year event. This approach is consistent with the previous Stormwater Management study completed by EXP and was approved by the City of Ottawa. The required quantity control will be achieved by means of stormwater detention within the Bioretention Pond.

4.2 Pre-Development Flows

A review of the topographic contours based on 2015 City of Ottawa LIDAR data was performed. LIDAR, or Light Detection and Ranging, is a remote sensing method of measuring distances (or ground surface elevation in this case) using lasers. The vertical accuracy of the LIDAR data provided by the City is reported as 8.6 centimeters. The topography of the site reveals that the natural ground slopes northerly towards a ravine located though the middle of the property with a watercourse running west to east. The southern section of the property is divided in two. The southernmost portion slopes towards the south boundary of the property to a smaller ravine located immediately to the south of the hydro corridor. The middle section flows towards the ravine running through the property. The larger deeper ravine has an approximate depth of 13.5m (49m - 62.5m), whereas the smaller shallower ravine is only 7.5m in depth (55m - 62.5m).

In its current condition, the site plan consists of both open fields and wooded areas. Stormwater runoff from the northern portion of the property currently drains in a southerly direction to the deeper ravine which flows from west to east and ultimately flows north to the Ottawa River. The flow path for the southern portion of the property is divided in two. The southernmost section flows down towards the shallower ravine which ultimately flows to Beckett's Creek. The mid-section flows to the north towards the deeper ravine. Both ravines are deeply incised in the landscape, with runoff from the development area being conveyed to two possible outlets denoted as North Outlet and South Outlet. The site is fairly self-contained and does not receive flows from the surrounding properties. Pre-development and postdevelopment drainage conditions are illustrated in **Figures 1 and 2.**

As control of runoff to pre-development conditions is required, an estimation of peak flows prior to development was necessary. Although the Sanctuary Lands area is 7.52 hectares, only approximately 1.59 hectares is being developed. In order to compare the same pre-development and postdevelopment drainage areas, the northern limit of drainage area was taken as the centre of the ravine, making the total area under consideration to be **3.85 hectares**. In accordance with the City of Ottawa's

Sewer Design Guidelines, the Rational Method was utilized for calculations of the pre-development runoff rates from drainage catchments. **Figure 2** illustrates the pre-development boundaries.

Catchment area OUT1 flow to the north ravine designated as the North Outlet. Catchment areas OUT2.1 and OUT2.2 flow to the south ravine designated as South Outlet.

Using rational method analysis of the existing catchment areas, the pre-development runoff coefficients as well as the pre-development flows during the 5-year and 100-year storm events were determined. Catchment area plans, which illustrate the existing drainage patterns, are included on **Figure 1.**

Total allowable release rate for the site will be **223.3 L/s for 5-year** and **478.4 L/s for 100-year,** this allowable rate is divided between the northern (OUT1) and southern (OUT2.1 & 2.2) outlets as per the below table.

Pre-development catchment parameters and peak flows are summarized in the table below with additional details in **Appendix A.2.**

	Existing Condition		5-year	100 -year	
Drainage Area	Area, A (ha)	Runoff Coefficient, R	Q(L/s)	Runoff Coefficient, R	Q(L/s)
OUT ₁	3.17	0.20	183.68	0.25	393.47
North Outlet 1 Sub-Total	3.17		183.68		393.47
OUT _{2.1}	0.3248	0.20	18.82	0.25	40.31
OUT2.2	0.3594	0.20	20.82	0.25	44.60
South Outlet 2 Sub-Total	0.68		39.64		84.91
Total	3.85		223.31		478.37

Table 1 - Pre-Development Peak Flows

5 Proposed Stormwater System

The proposed stormwater system consists of roadside swales, and culverts as a means to conveying stormwater to the bioretention pond, the flows to the ravines will be controlled to meet pre-development rates. The overall drainage patterns have remained wholly the same as shown on the proposed catchment area plan.

5.1 Post-Development Flows

The post-development catchment areas are illustrated in **Figure 2**.

Most of the North catchment area (A1.1 and A1.2) will stay draining uncontrolled to the existing north ravine, no significant changes in the northern pervious area are proposed as most of the development will be within the southern catchment area.

The South Catchment will include the proposed development (A2.1-A2.5) and the Hydro One easement (A2.6) which will be undisturbed. Runoff from the undisturbed area (A2.6) will be released uncontrolled to the southern existing ravine following the existing draining pattern. As for the development (A2.1- A2.5), it will be controlled through proposed swales adjacent to the access route conveying the captured storm water to the proposed Bioretention Pond.

The following table shows the post-development catchments areas, imperviousness and uncontrolled peak flows:

Table 2 - Post-Development Peak Flows (uncontrolled)

Complete post-development calculations are provided in **Appendix A.3.**

5.2 Post-Development Peak Flow Reduction and Storage

Considering the existing topography conditions, the site will be discharging to 2 outlets. The north of the site including most of the pre-development north catchment will drain to the same outlet as predevelopment conditions. The south of site will include the development area and the rest of the south areas of the site. *Table 3 - Impact on Peak Flows – Uncontrolled*

According to the above table, the north outlet post-development calculated flows are **160.1 L/s for 5 year** and **342.9 L/s for 100-year**. These flows are reduced when compared to pre-development conditions, accordingly no stormwater management solution is needed.

For the south outfall, calculated uncontrolled post-development flows would be **131.2 L/s for 5-year** and **281.1 L/s for 100-year**, due to the site development. To control peak flows within this catchment area a Bioretention Pond is proposed. Catchments A2.1 to A2.5 will drain to the Pond. Due to site topography, Catchment A2.6 will drain uncontrolled. Catchment A2.6 has an area of **0.52 hectares**

resulting in an uncontrolled flow of **32.9 L/s for 5-year** and **70.5 L/s for 100-yr**. As such, the maximum allowable release rate from the Bioretention Pond is **6.7 L/s for 5-year** and **14.4 l/s for 100-year.**

Analysis of the pre- and post-development flows shows that the different in flows for different return periods (5-year & 100-year) requires a storage **of 91.8 cubic meters for 5 years** and **199.0 cubic meters for 100 years**. (Note that slight over-control of the 100-year event was found to be necessary to maintain the peak 5-year run-off within the allowable release rate, using a single orifice). The full storage analysis can be found in **Appendix A.4.**

With the proposed storage, peak flows to the South Outlet will be reduced as follows:

Drainage Area	န ف Ω o. 운 <u>o</u> le 5-yea Develo	nent Post- ϵ gia Fio 5-year Develo	ပ္ပ Differe	Percent Change	Ent ė $\overline{\mathbf{a}}$ year elopi $\frac{1}{2}$ 100 Å	year Ğ, О $\overline{6}$ 叵 ൨	Difference
	(L/s)	(L/s)	(L/s)	(%)	(L/s)	(L/s)	(L/s)
North Outlet	183.7	160.1	-23.6	$-12.9%$	393.5	342.9	-50.6
South Outlet	39.6	38.8	-0.8	$-2.0%$	84.9	82.1	-2.8
Total	223.3	198.9	-24.4	$-10.9%$	478.4	425.0	-53.4

Table 4 - Impact on Peak Flows - Controlled

6 Stormwater Quality Control

Stormwater quality protection has been designed to meet the MECP's "Enhanced" standard of 80% Total Suspended Solids (TSS) removal rate prior to discharge to the Ravines.

6.1 Infiltration

A Low Impact Development approach will be taken for this development due to the nature of the site and soil conditions. The SWM design will rely on infiltration to achieve the required quality criteria for this design. To have the information to proceed with this approach an infiltration test was done in site and report was prepared, this report includes design infiltration rates to be used specifically for this site. Refer to the Memo in Appendix for Infiltration Testing. The report used the 2800K1 Guelph Permeameter to provide the design infiltration rate that varies from 52 to 29 mm/hr can be used. Complete results of the infiltration testing are provided in **Appendix B**.

The design of the Bio-retention Pond is to be as per MECP requirements, and the bottom of pond will be minimum 1m above the high groundwater. The bottom of Pond is **61.60 m**. Based on the geotechnical report prepared by EXP, the current **groundwater** in the area is approximately **58.0 m** which meets the requirements for MECP.

In accordance with TRCA SWM Criteria (2010), Section 7.4: "As a minimum, to achieve the enhance level of water quality control, the LID practice must be sized to provide storage for a minimum 5mm of rainfall."

As mentioned previously the site presented very suitable conditions for LID approach, this was done through proposing side swales that conveys water to a proposed Bioretention pond, this pond will provide the enhanced treatment required for this site. The proposed Bioretention pond will be designed

to retain a minimum of the first **10mm** of stormwater, this is equivalent to **35.4** cubic meters of water that will need to be infiltrated to the soil.

The proposed Bioretention cross section has a **2.60m** wide flat bottom with **3H:1V** side slopes, the elevation of the bottom is at **61.60m** and the spill elevation is at **62.15m**. The 100-year water level in the pond is **62.15m** with a freeboard of **0.3m** between the 100-yr / spill elevation and the adjacent roadway/parking lot. The swale has a length of **90m**. The proposed Bioretention swale can capture a volume up to **210 cubic meters.** To provide the required retention, a **200 mm** diameter outlet pipe equipped with a **102 mm** orifice ICD is proposed at an upstream invert elevation of **61.77m**. A volume of **47.6 cubic meters** will be retained in the Bioretention pond below the orifice invert, and an expected time of infiltration will be **4.4 hrs** with a rate of **39 mm/hr**. For more detailed calculation refer to **Appendix A.5 and A.6.** A detailed cross section of the proposed bioretention pond is presented in **Figure 3.**

Analysis for the entire site was done based on the drainage area and hourly precipitation data (excluding winter months) to establish overflow volume based on measured historical data. Infiltration at source (through runoff coefficient) and in the bioretention facility were calculated at hourly intervals, with the volume of water in the bioretention facility tracked to enable the volume of water lost to overflows to be calculated. The following tables provide summaries for each year analyzed. **Table 5** indicates that the bioretention facility can be expected to infiltrate a minimum of 89% (and potentially 90%+ depending on rainfall patterns) of run-off that reaches it. **Table 6** demonstrates that over 82% of all rain falling on the overall site is expected to infiltrate into the soil, either at source or from the bioretention facility, meeting the requirement for 'enhanced' quality control.

Table 5 - Anticipated Infiltration Volumes for Controlled Catchments based on Historical Rainfall Data

Note: Analysis excludes winter months (Jan - Apr). Winter conditions were excluded from the calculation as it is not possible to identify and model snow, winter rainfall and snow melt with accuracy. Instead, as is common practice, the analysis was completed for the spring, summer and fall period to provide a more accurate representation of the expected percentage of rainfall that will *be infiltrated.*

7 Erosion and Sediment Control during Construction

The contractor shall implement best management practices to provide for protection of the area drainage system and the receiving watercourses during construction activities, as per the Erosion and Sediment Control Plans included on the design drawings. Refer to Drawing ESC-PH1B prepared by EXP for proposed ESC measures for the site.

8 Conclusions

In conclusion the stormwater management design meets all required servicing constraints and associated design criteria/requirements.

Sincerely,

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OVERFLOW SPILL POINT ELEV. 62.15

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RIP-RAP EMERGENCY OVERFLOW AS PER OPSD 810.010. REFER TO PLAN FOR DETAILS.

FIGURE 3

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SCALE: N.T.S.

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Appendix A

Stormwater Management **Calculations**

A.1. Stormwater Management Summary
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Impact on Peak Flows (Uncontrolled)

Impact on Peak Flows (With Proposed Controls)

A.2. Pre Development Peak Flows

Humanics Centre, Ottawa, Ontario

Existing Drainage Area Characteristics

Existing Peak Flows

Where $i = \underline{A}$

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I = \frac{A}{(T_d + C)^B}
$$

Calculation of Time of Concentration, using the Uplands Method (SCS National Engineering Handbook, 1971)

Note 1: A minimum time of concentration of 10 mins was taken

Note 2: For 100-year event, Runoff Coefficient is increased by 25% to a maximum of 1.0.

Proposed Drainage Area Characteristics

Proposed Peak Flows (Uncontrolled)

Where
$$
i = \frac{A}{(T + C)^B}
$$

Calculation of Time of Concentration, using the Uplands Method (SCS National Engineering Handbook, 1971)

 $(T_d + C)^B$

Note 1: A minimum time of concentration of 10 mins was taken

Note 2: For 100-year event, Runoff Coefficient is increased by 25% to a maximum of 1.0.

A.4. Proposed Storage

Humanics Centre, Ottawa, Ontario

4a. Outlet 2 Storage

Summary of all Drainage Areas:

Summary of Uncontrolled Drainage Areas:

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100-year Pre-Development Flow (L/s)= 84.9 5-year Pre-Development Flow (L/s)= 39.6 100-year Uncontrolled Runoff (L/s)= 70.5 5-year Uncontrolled Runoff (L/s)= 32.9 **100-year Allowable Release Rate (L/s)= 14.4 5-year Allowable Release Rate (L/s)= 6.7**

Summary of Controlled Areas:

 $+ C$ ^B $T_d =$ Time of Concentration (min)

Required Storage Volume (using Modified Rational Method)

 $Q = RAIN$

 Q = runoff rate (L/s) i = $\frac{}{\mathsf{A}}$ where i = Rainfall Intensity (mm/hr)

 $R =$ runoff coefficient

 $i =$ rainfall intensity (mm/hr)

A = drainage area (ha)

 $N = 2.78$

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A.5. Bioretention Pond Sizing

Humanics Centre, Ottawa, Ontario

The bioretention pond was sized in accordance with the LID Stormwater Management Planning and Design Guide. TRCA, 2010

In accordance with TRCA SWM Criteria (2021), Section 7.4:

"As a minimum, to achieve the enhance level of water quality control, the LID practice must be sized to provide storage for a minimum 5mm of rainfall."

Bioretention Sizing Characteristics

Infiltration Volume Target, $V_i =$ $=$ 33.95 m³ *(10mm rainfall retention was used for this design)*

1. Decide if an underdrain will be included:

If the median field measured or estimated infiltration rate of the underlying native soil (f) is less than 15 mm/h, include an underdrain.

Field Measured Infiltration Rate, $f =$ 97 mm/hr

Include underdrain = No

2. Select a surface ponding depth to begin sizing with

For practices without underdrain: $d_{p,max} = f' \times 48$

Where: *f' = Design infiltration rate (mm/h), and 48 = Maximum permissible drainage time for surface ponded water (h)*

 $d_{p,max} = 1.87 \text{ m}$

3. Select a design surface ponding depth

For practices with soft (i.e. landscaped) edges and bowl-shaped ponding areas calculate the mean surface ponding depth:

 $\mathsf{d'}_\mathsf{p} = \mathsf{d}_{\mathsf{p},\mathsf{max}} \mathsf{x}~0.5$

d'_p = 0.94 m

Invert Elevation of Overflow = 61.77 m *(orifice invert)*

5. Determine Water Depth in 5-Year Event

A.6. Pond Draindown Time

Humanics Centre, Ottawa, Ontario

Release Rate from Pond

Equation 4.10 from MOE Stormwater Design Guidelines:

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t = \frac{2A_P}{CA_o(2g)^{0.5}} (h_1^{0.5} - h_2^{0.5})
$$

where:

Incremental draindown calculation (100-year event), based proposed orifice:

The drawdown when the water level is above the overflow will be governed by the orifice:

3.7 hours

Draindown Calculation (100-year event), based of infiltration rate of native soil:

The drawdown when the water level is below the overflow will be governed by the infilitration rate of the soil:

Total draindown duration = 8.0 hours

Appendix B

Infiltration Testing Memorandum

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1. Introduction

Morrison Hershfield Ltd. (MH) was retained by Humanics Universal Inc. (the Client) to perform civil engineering design services associated with proposed improvements to the Humanics Sanctuary at 3400/3468 Old Montreal Road, Ottawa.

Specifically, MH is completing the Stormwater Management and Drainage Design as part of future development of the site. The Stormwater Management design will make use of Low Impact Development (LID) solutions that encourage infiltration.

Prior to design, MH's scope of services included infiltration testing to assist in selecting the LID solutions. The infiltration testing consisted of Guelph Permeameter testing at five (5) locations. This memorandum presents the methods findings and results of this testing.

2. Methodology

Infiltration testing was performed at five (5) locations using a 2800K1 Guelph Permeameter (GP) in accordance with ASTM D5126. The GP is an in-hole constant-head Permeameter that measures the steady-state rate of water recharge into unsaturated soil from a cylindrical borehole.

The locations of the infiltration testing are shown on **Figure 1** in **Attachment A**.

The field procedures used with the GP were as follows:

- A 6 cm diameter borehole was hand augured to depths between 0.24 to 0.36 m. Basic soil characteristics were observed and recorded during augering.
- The GP reservoir was filled with water and the instrument was lowered into the borehole.
- A well head height (H) was established in the open borehole by adjusting the Air Tube.
- The water level in the instrument reservoir was recorded at regular time intervals and the rate of fall (of water) was determined for each interval.
- Operation of the GP continued until the "Steady-State Rate of Fall" was attained. This occurred when the rate of fall did not significantly change over three (3) consecutive time intervals.
- For each borehole, the above procedure was repeated by establishing a different well head height (H).

3. Results

Soil Conditions

The soil conditions observed in each borehole augured for the GP testing was noted and is the results are summarized in Table 1 below.

Infiltration Testing

Hydraulic properties of the subgrade soils in the unsaturated zone were determined using a Guelph Permeameter (GP), by applying the single head method and averaging results of two (2) tests.

The GP instrument maintains a constant head of water in a borehole, causing water to infiltrate into the surrounding unsaturated soil. As water infiltrates, a "bulb" of saturated soil of specific dimensions develops around the borehole. Once the bulb develops, the steady-state flow rate of water out of the borehole is established and combined saturated-unsaturated flow occurs in the soil (Soilmoisture Corp., 2012).

For conditions of saturated-unsaturated flow, hydrostatic pressure, gravity and capillarity all contribute to the steady-state flow rate. Matric flux potential (Φ_m) is a measure of the capillarity/capillary pull that the unsaturated soil exerts on infiltrating water while the field-saturated hydraulic conductivity (K_{sc}) represents the hydrostatic pressure and gravity contributions to flow (Elrick & Reynolds, 1992).

Hydraulic conductivity is a function of water content in the soil and the maximum hydraulic conductivity value for a given soil unit occurs under conditions of saturation. With that said, the measured K_{fs} from infiltration testing is always slightly less than the saturated hydraulic conductivity (K_{sat}) for the same soil type due to the fact that the infiltration process often does not expel all air from the voids in the unsaturated soil, leaving some air entrapped. This entrapped air results in a smaller available surface area for water to flow through resulting in K_{fs} being less than K_{sat} .

The calculations of these hydraulic parameters from the GP field results are provided in Attachment B.

For the design of LID stormwater infiltration systems, the measured K_{fs} values must be converted to an infiltration rate (f) using the approximate relationship provided below (Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, 1997):

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f = \left(\frac{K_{fs}}{6x10^{-11}}\right)^{\frac{1}{3.7363}}
$$

A factor of safety of 2.5 was applied to this calculated infiltration rate to account for soil variability, potential reductions in soil permeability due to compaction or smearing during construction and gradual accumulation of fine sediments over the lifespan of the facility (Credit Valley and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, 2010)

Infiltration Location ID	Soil Type	Φ_m (cm ² /min)	K_{fs} (cm/s)	Infiltration Rate, f , (mm/hr)	Design Infiltration Rate (mm/hr)
$IN-1$	Sand (SP) and Clayey Sand (SC)	$4.29x10^{-3}$	$5.15x10^{-4}$	72	29
$IN-2$	Silty Sand (SM) and Sand (SP)	$5.60x10^{-3}$	$6.72x10^{-4}$	77	31
$IN-3$	Silty Sand (SM) and Sand (SP)	3.82×10^{-2}	4.58×10^{-3}	129	52
$IN-4$	Silty Sand (SM) and Sand (SP)	$2.76x10^{-2}$	3.32×10^{-3}	118	47
$IN-5$	Silty Sand (SM) and Sand (SP)	1.34×10^{-2}	$1.61x10^{-3}$	97	39

Table 2: Infiltration Rates and Hydraulic Properties of Soils in Unsaturated Zone

4. References

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Attachment A: Site Plan

Appendix B: GP Results

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- nfiltration Test Locations
- Topographic Contour (mASL)

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 $\Phi_m = \frac{C_1 \times Q_1}{(2\pi H_1^2 + \pi a^2 C_1)a^* + 2\pi H_1}$

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Compacted, Structure-less, clayey or silty materials such as landfill caps and liners, lacustrine or marine sediments, etc.

Soils which are both fine textured (clayey or silty) and unstructured; may also include some fine sands.

Most structured soils from clays through loams; also includes unstructured medium and fine sands. The category most frequently applicable for agricultural soils.

Coarse and gravely sands; may also include some highly structured soils with large and/or numerous cracks, macro pores, etc.

