

# Level 1 Proximity Study

# **Proposed Multi-Storey Building**

Longfields Drive - Block 10 Ottawa, Ontario

**Prepared for Campanale Homes** 

Report PG2119-3 Revision 1 dated June 24, 2024



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## 1.0 Introduction

Paterson Group (Paterson) was commissioned by the Campanale Homes to conduct a Level 1 proximity study for the proposed multi-storey building to be located at Longfields Drive - Block 10 in the City of Ottawa.

The objectives of the current study were to:

- Review all current information provided by the City of Ottawa with regards to the infrastructure of a future LRT rail line, which is currently a bus rapid transit route (BRT), and an existing Via Rail line.
- □ Liaise between the City of Ottawa and Campanale Homes consultant team involved with the aforementioned project.

The following report has been prepared specifically and solely for the aforementioned project which is described herein. It contains a collaboration of architectural, civil, structural, geotechnical, and shoring design information as they pertain to the aforementioned project.

## 2.0 Development Details

Based on available drawings, it is understood that the proposed development at this site will consist of a multi-storey building with 2 underground parking levels.

The following is known about the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line in the vicinity of the subject site:

- □ The potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line both run parallel to the northwest boundary of the site.
- □ The existing BRT Line (future LRT Rail Line) and VIA Rail Line are located at the ground surface at an approximate geodetic elevation of 94 m, and are relatively at-grade with the subject site.
- Based on the subsurface profile encountered at the borehole locations at the subject site, bedrock is expected at depths of approximately 5 to 10 m, corresponding to approximate geodetic elevations of 89 to 84 m.



## 3.0 Construction Methodology and Impact Review

Paterson has prepared a construction methodology summary of possible impacts on the adjacent segment of the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line, based on the current building design details. The Construction Methodology and Impact Review is provided in Appendix 1 and presents the anticipated construction items, impact review, and mitigation program recommended for the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line.

One of the main issues will be vibrations associated with the installation of the temporary shoring system and potential bedrock remova. Accordingly, it is recommended that a vibration monitoring program be implemented to ensure vibration levels remain below recommended tolerances. Details of a recommended vibration monitoring program are presented in the following subsection.

## 3.1 Vibration Monitoring and Control Program

Due to the presence of a potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and an existing VIA Rail line, the contractor should take extra precautions to minimize vibrations during the construction period. The vibration monitoring program will be required for the full duration for temporary shoring installation, earthwork operations, and, if necessary, blasting operations. The purpose of the Vibration Monitoring and Control Program (VMCP) is to describe the measures to be implemented by the contractor to manage excavation operations, and any other vibration sources, during the construction of the proposed development. The VMCP will also provide a guideline for assessing results against the relevant vibration impact assessment criteria, and recommendations to meet the required limits.

The vibration monitoring program will incorporate real time results at the location of the future existing BRT / future LRT Line corridor structure adjacent to the subject site. The monitoring equipment should consist of a tri-axial seismograph, capable of measuring vibration intensities up to 254 mm/s at a frequency response of 2 to 250 Hz. The monitoring equipment should be placed at the northwest boundary of the Longfield - Block 10 site, along the alignment of the current BRT route.

The location of the seismograph should be reviewed periodically throughout construction to ensure that the monitoring equipment remains with the rail line structure at the closest radius to the construction activities. The vibration monitor



locations should be approved by the vibration monitoring consultant prior to installation.

During construction, the seismograph will be relocated for the 'worst case' location for each construction activity. When an event is triggered, Paterson will review the results and provide any necessary feedback.

The following figure outlines the vibration limits for the potential future LRT Line Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing Via Rail Line. The following limits developed by the United States Bureau of Mining should be followed during all shoring and excavation work.



Figure 1 - USBM RI 8507 Vibration Limits



## **Monitoring Data**

The vibration monitoring protocol should include the following information:

- □ All vibration monitors are to be connected to a modem that will allow for the immediate recovery of vibration data.
- All vibrations recorded over 5 mm/s will be emailed directly to the client (if requested), Paterson Group, and any other required parties, such as civil contractors or the City of Ottawa.

## Warning Level Event

- Warning level events will be considered for all events over 15 mm/s regardless of frequency.
- Paterson will notify all relevant parties via email that an event has been recorded that approaches the project limits. This notification is limited to once daily. Once Paterson notifies parties of vibrations approaching the prescribed limits, it is up to the contractor to monitor for further warning level events.

## Exceedance Level Event

- D Paterson will notify all relevant parties via email immediately.
- **D** Ensure monitors are functioning
- Paterson will issue the vibration exceedance result Monitoring should be compliant with all related regulations.

## 3.2 Incident/Exceedance Reporting

In the event of an exceedance of the vibration limits from construction activities, the Senior Project Management, Paterson, and any relevant personnel, will receive an e-mail of the event clearly labelled as "EXCEEDANCE". Paterson will immediately review the event and, pending the event to be a true exceedance, an incidence report will be completed by the associated contractor and be submitted to Paterson. The incident report should contain the following:

- □ Identify the location of vibration exceedance
- □ The date, time and nature of the exceedance/incident
- D Purpose of the exceeded monitor and current vibration criteria
- □ Identify the likely cause of the exceedance/incident
- Describe the response action that has been completed to date
- Describe the proposed measures to address the exceedance/incident



The contractor should implement mitigation measures for future excavation or any construction activities as necessary and provide updates on the effectiveness of the improvement. Response actions should be pre-determined prior to excavation, depending on the approach provided to protect elements. Processes and procedures should be in-place prior to completing any vibrations to identify issues and react in a quick manner in the event of an exceedance.

## 4.0 **Proximity Study Requirement Responses**

Paterson was informed by the City of Ottawa that a Level 1 Proximity Study should be completed for the proposed development. A Level 1 LRT Proximity Study is required where the proposed development is located within the City of Ottawa's Development Zone of Influence.

The following table lists the applicable requirements for Level 1 studies and the response for each item:

Table 1		
List of Trillium Line Level 1 Proimity Study Requirements		
Level 1 Projects	Response	
A site plan of the development with the centreline or reference line of the potential future LRT Rail Line and the existing Via Rail Line structure and/or right-of-way located and the relevant distances between the aforementioned rail lines and developer's structure shown clearly;	See the potential future LRT Rail Line and existing Via Rail Line on the Proximity Plan (Drawing No. PG2119-1 dated May 27, 2024) presented in Appendix A.	
Plan and cross-sections of the development locating the potential future LRT Rail Line and the existing Via Rail Line structure/right-of-way and founding elevations relative to the development, including any underground storage tanks and associated piping;	See potential future LRT Rail Line and Via Rail Line on the Cross-Section A-A' (Drawing No PG2119-2 dated May 27, 2024) presented in Appendix A.	
A geotechnical investigation report showing up-to-date geotechnical conditions at the site of the development. The geotechnical investigation shall be prepared in accordance with the Geotechnical Investigation and Reporting Guidelines for Development Applications in the City;	Refer to the Geotechnical Investigation Report (Paterson Group Report PG2119-4 dated June 12, 2024) which is attached in Appendix C.	
Structural, foundation, excavation and shoring drawings;	Structural, foundation, excavation and shoring drawings for the proposed development will be provided, once available. Based on available design details, the proposed residential building foundation will consist of conventional footings placed directly	



Structural, foundation, excavation and shoring drawings [continued]:	over an undisturbed glacial till surface or a clean bedrock surface.
	Negative impacts are not anticipated for the future LRT Rail Line or the existing Via Rail Line due to the proposed development. This discussed further in the Proximity Assessment provided in Appendix B.
Acknowledgement that the potential for noise,	Appropriate mitigation measures for noise,
stray current from LRT line operations have	stray current from potential LRT line operations
been considered in the design of the project,	will be accounted for in the design of the
and appropriate mitigation measures applied.	project.

We trust that this information satisfies your immediate request.

Best Regards,

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## APPENDIX A

**PROXIMITY PLAN** 

PROXIMITY CROSS-SECTION A-A

CONSTRUCTION METHODOLOGY AND IMPACT REVIEW





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Construction Method and Impact Review			
Construction Item	Potential Impacts	Mitigation Program	
<b>Item A</b> - Installation of Temporary Shoring System - Where adequate space is not available for the overburden to be sloped, the overburden along the perimeter of the proposed residential building footprint will need to be shored in order to complete the construction of the underground parking levels. The shoring system is anticipated to consist of a soldier pile and lagging system along the northwest side of the site, adjacent to the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line.	Vibration issues during shoring system installation	Design of the temporary shoring system, in particular vibrations during installation, will take into consideration the presence of the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line. Installation of the shoring system is not anticipated to have an adverse impact on the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line, nonetheless, a vibration monitoring device is recommended to be installed to monitor vibrations. The vibration monitor would be remotely connected to permit real-time monitoring and a vibration monitoring program would be implemented as detailed in Subsection 3.1 - Vibration Monitoring and Control Program of Paterson Group Report PG2119-3 dated May 27, 2024.	
<b>Item B</b> - Bedrock Blasting and Removal Program	Structural damage of potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line due to vibrations from the blasting program.	If bedrock removal and blasting are necessary for the proposed development, vibrations will be monitored during blasting operations to ensure that they do not exceed the designated threshold criteria.	
<b>Item C</b> - Construction of Footings and Foundation Walls - The proposed residential building will include 2 levels of underground parking. Therefore, the footings will be placed on the undisturbed native glacial till bearing surface.	Building footing loading on adjacent potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line, and excavation within the lateral support zone of the Rail Lines.	Although the underground parking levels for the proposed building will extend approximately 8 m below the existing ground surface, due to the approximate 12 and 55 m distance respectively between the proposed building and rail line structures, the building excavation will not impact the lateral support zones of the Rail Lines.	



# APPENDIX B

## PROXIMITY ASSESSMENT

PATERSON GROUP LETTER PG2119-LET.03 REV. 1 DATED JUNE 24, 2024



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Attention: **Mr. Cody Campanale** 

Subject: Proximity Assessment 609 Campanale Avenue (Block 10) – Ottawa

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Dear Sir,

Further to your request and authorization, Paterson Group (Paterson) prepared the current letter report to summarize construction issues which could occur due to the proximity of the proposed residential development with respect to the subject alignment of a future LRT Rail Line and an existing Via Rail Line located adjacent to the site. The following letter should be read in conjunction with the Paterson Group Report PG2119-3 dated May 27, 2024.

## **1.0 Background Information**

Based on current plans, it is understood that the proposed development will consist of a multi-storey building. The proposed building will have 2 levels of underground parking which will occupy the majority of the site.

The following sections summarize our existing soils information and construction precautions for the proposed residential development, which may impact the subject alignment of the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing bus rapid transit route) and the existing Via Rail Line.

It should be noted that the information submitted as part of the current Level 1 Proximity Study will be supplemented with construction plans issued for construction, such as dewatering and discharge plans.

## 2.0 Subsurface Conditions

Based on existing geotechnical information, the subsurface conditions in the immediate area of the subject site and subject potential future LRT Rail Line alignment, currently a bus rapid transit route (BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line alignment consist of the following:

- The existing surface grade is at an elevation of approximately 94 m in the location of the proposed development, which is relatively at grade with the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing Via Rail Line.
- **The overburden thickness is approximately 5 to 10 m.**
- Bedrock surface elevation is at approximately geodetic elevation of 89 to 84 m.
- □ The bedrock underlying the site consists of interbedded sandstone and dolomite which is generally of fair to excellent quality.

## Potential Future LRT Rail Line Location

Available information indicates that the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) is located approximately 12 m from the northwest property line at the subject site. The top of rail (TOR) is anticipated to be located at an approximate elevation 94 m (geodetic) adjacent to the proposed development site.

The excavation for the proposed development will extend approximately 8 m below the existing ground surface, but would not compromise the 1.5H:1V lateral support zone of the soils supporting the future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT). This is illustrated on Drawing PG2119-2.

## VIA Rail Line Location

Available information indicates that the VIA Rail Line is located approximately 55 m from the northwest property line at the subject site. The top of rail (TOR) is anticipated to be located at an approximate elevation 94 m (geodetic) adjacent to the proposed development site.

The excavation for the proposed development will extend approximately 8 m below the existing ground surface, but would not compromise the 1.5H:1V lateral support zone of the soils supporting the existing VIA Rail Line. This is also illustrated on Drawing PG2119-2.

It should be noted that the information submitted as part of the current Level 1 Proximity Study will be supplemented with construction plans issued for construction, such as temporary shoring design drawings.



## **3.0** Construction Precautions and Recommendations

## Influence of Proposed Development on the Potential Future LRT Rail Line

Based on existing soils information and building design details, the footings of the proposed building will be founded on the undisturbed nglacial till. Due to the approximate distance of 12 m between the proposed building and the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT), no lateral loads from the proposed building will be transferred to the railway, and the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) will not be undermined.

#### Influence of Proposed Development on the VIA Rail Line

Further to the above, based on the approximate distance of 55 m between the proposed building and the VIA Rail Line, no lateral loads from the proposed building will be transferred to the railway and the VIA Rail Line will not be undermined.

#### **Excavation and Temporary Shoring**

The overburden along the perimeter of the proposed building footprint will need to be sloped or shored in order to complete the construction of the underground parking levels.

Where required, it is anticipated that the temporary shoring system adjacent to the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) will consist of soldier piles and lagging. Plans for the temporary shoring system will include consideration of the future and existing structures, and will be provided once available.

A seismograph would be installed near the northwestern site boundary, adjacent to the potential future LRT Rail Line corridor (existing BRT), to monitor vibrations during temporary shoring installation, excavation, and, if required, blasting operations.

#### **Pre-Construction Survey**

A pre-construction survey will be required for the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line. Any existing structures in the immediate area of the proposed building will also undergo a pre-construction survey as per standard construction practices.

#### Groundwater Control

Groundwater observations during the previous geotechnical investigations indicated groundwater levels at approximately 3 to 4 m below the existing ground surface. The design of the temporary shoring system and dewatering plans for the site will take into consideration the adjacent potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT) and the existing VIA Rail Line. These plans will be forwarded once they are available.



## 4.0 Conclusions and Recommendations

Based on the currently available information for the subject alignment of the proposed building and the existing subsurface information, the proposed development will not negatively impact the potential future LRT Rail Line (existing BRT), and the existing VIA Rail Line. It should be noted that the information submitted as part of the current Proximity Study will be supplemented with structural drawings and temporary shoring design drawings, as they become available.

We trust that this information satisfies your immediate request.

Best Regards,

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# APPENDIX C

## GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION REPORT PATERSON GROUP REPORT PG2119-4 DATED JUNE 24, 2024



# **Geotechnical Investigation**

## **Proposed Apartment Building – Block 10** 609 Longfields Drive, Ottawa, Ontario

**Prepared for Campanale Homes** 

Report PG2119-4 dated June 12, 2024



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## 1.0 Introduction

Paterson Group (Paterson) was commissioned by Campanale Homes to conduct a geotechnical investigation for a proposed apartment building located at 609 Longfields Drive in the City of Ottawa (refer to Figure 1 - Key Plan in Appendix 2 of this report).

The objective of the geotechnical investigation was to:

- Determine the subsoil and groundwater conditions at this site by means of boreholes.
- Provide geotechnical recommendations pertaining to design of the proposed development including construction considerations which may affect the design.

The following report has been prepared specifically and solely for the aforementioned project which is described herein. It contains our findings and includes geotechnical recommendations pertaining to the design and construction of the subject development as they are understood at the time of writing this report.

Investigating for the presence or potential presence of contamination on the subject property was not part of the scope of work of the present investigation. Therefore, the present report does not address environmental issues.

## 2.0 **Proposed Development**

Based on available information and drawings provided by the client, it is anticipated that the future development will consist of an 8-storey residential apartment building located in Block 10 with two underground levels.

Associated access lanes, at-grade parking, and landscaped and hardscaped areas are also anticipated as part of the development. The development is anticipated to be municipally serviced.



## 3.0 Method of Investigation

## 3.1 Field Investigation

## **Field Program**

The field program for the current geotechnical investigation was conducted between June 3, and 4, 2024, and consisted of 3 boreholes advanced to a maximum depth of 10.6 m below the existing ground surface.

The test hole locations were determined in the field by Paterson personnel and distributed in a manner to provide general coverage of the subject site taking into consideration site features and underground utilities. The test hole locations are presented on Drawing PG2119-7 - Test Hole Location Plan included in Appendix 2.

The boreholes were advanced using a low clearance track-mounted auger drill rig operated by a two- person crew. The test hole procedure consisted of augering to the required depths at the selected locations and sampling the overburden. All fieldwork was conducted under the full-time supervision of our personnel under the direction of a senior engineer from our geotechnical department.

## Sampling and In Situ Testing

Soil samples were collected from the boreholes using two different techniques, namely, sampled directly from the auger flights (AU) or collected using a 50 mm diameter split spoon (SS) sampler. The bedrock was cored to assess the bedrock quality. All samples were visually inspected and initially classified on site. The auger and split-spoon samples were placed in sealed plastic bags, and rock cores (RC) were placed in cardboard boxes.

All samples were transported to our laboratory for further examination and classification. The depths at which the auger, split spoon, and rock core samples were recovered from the boreholes are shown as AU, SS, and RC, respectively, on the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets presented in Appendix 1. Photographs of the rock core are presented in Appendix 1.

The Standard Penetration Test (SPT) was conducted in conjunction with the recovery of the split-spoon samples. The SPT results are recorded as "N" values on the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets. The "N" value is the number of blows required to drive the split-spoon sampler 300 mm into the soil after a 150 mm initial penetration using a 63.5 kg hammer falling from a height of 760 mm.



Diamond drilling was completed at each borehole location to confirm the bedrock quality. A recovery value and a Rock Quality Designation (RQD) value were calculated for each drilled section of bedrock and are presented as RC on the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1. The recovery value is the ratio of the bedrock sample length recovered over the drilled section length, in percentage.

The RQD value is the total length ratio of intact rock core length more than 100 mm in one drilled section over the length of the drilled section, in percentage. These values are indicative of the quality of the bedrock.

The subsurface conditions observed in the test holes were recorded in detail in the field. The soil profiles are logged on the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1 of this report.

#### Groundwater

A monitoring well was installed in one (1) borehole and the remaining boreholes were fitted with a flexible polyethylene standpipe to allow groundwater level monitoring. The groundwater level readings were obtained after a suitable stabilization period subsequent to the completion of the field investigation.

The groundwater observations are discussed in Subsection 4.3 and presented in the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1 of this report.

## Monitoring Well Installation

Typical monitoring well construction details are described below:

- □ Up to 1.5 m of slotted 32 mm diameter PVC screen at base the base of the boreholes.
- □ 32 mm diameter PVC riser pipe from the top of the screen to the ground surface.
- □ No.3 silica sand backfill within annular space around screen.
- □ 300 mm thick bentonite hole plug directly above PVC slotted screen.
- Clean backfill from top of bentonite plug to the ground surface.

Refer to the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1 for specific well construction details.



## Sample Storage

All samples from the current investigation will be stored in the laboratory for a period of one (1) month after issuance of this report. They will then be discarded unless we are otherwise directed.

## 3.2 Field Survey

The test hole locations were selected by Paterson to provide general coverage of the subject site. The test hole locations and ground surface elevation at each test hole location were surveyed by Paterson using a high precision, handheld GPS and referenced to a geodetic datum. The location of the boreholes is presented on Drawing PG2119-7 - Test Hole Location Plan in Appendix 2.

## 3.3 Laboratory Testing

Soil samples and rock cores were recovered from the subject site and visually examined in our laboratory to review the results of the field logging. Soil samples will be stored for a period of one month after this report is completed, unless otherwise directed.



## 4.0 Observations

## 4.1 Surface Conditions

The subject site is currently vacant and grass-covered with some mature trees present near the property boundary within the northwest portion of the site. The site is bordered to the northeast by residential buildings, to the southeast by Longfields Drive, to the southwest by vacant and grass-covered land, and to the northwest by a pedestrian pathway followed by a BRT line.

Reference should be made to Figure 1 - Key Plan, attached to the current memorandum.

The ground surface across the subject site varies with a gradual slope from a geodetic elevation of 92.1 m at the rear to 93.2 m at the front and is approximately at grade with Longfields Drive.

## 4.2 Subsurface Profile

#### Overburden

Generally, the subsurface profile at the test hole locations consists of topsoil and/or fill underlain by a deposit of brown silty clay which is further underlain by a grey silt deposit. The grey silt deposit is underlain by glacial till and further by the underlying bedrock formation.

Fill extending to depths ranging from 0.3 to 1.2 m below the existing ground surface was observed at all test hole locations. The fill was generally observed to consist of silty sand with gravel, crushed stone, and some clay or silty clay, trace sand, gravel, and crushed stone.

The fill layer was observed to be underlain by a deposit of silty clay. The silty clay deposit consisted of an undisturbed hard to stiff, brown silty clay which extended to approximate depths ranging between 2.1 to 3.0 m below the ground surface. The brown silty clay layer was observed to be underlain by a layer of very loose to loose, grey silt which extended to approximate depths ranging between 3.7 to 4.2 m below the ground surface.



The glacial till deposit generally consists of compact to very dense, grey silty sand with variable amounts of clay, gravel, cobbles, and boulders. The glacial till deposit was observed to extend to approximate depths between 7.5 and 8.7 m below ground surface. Reference should be made to the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1 for the details of the soil profile encountered at each test hole location.

#### Bedrock

Bedrock was cored at all borehole locations from depths ranging from 7.5 to 10.6 m below the existing ground surface. Generally, the bedrock throughout the majority of the subject site was observed to consist of poor to excellent quality interbedded grey sandstone and dolomite with crystalized calcite at some locations.

Based on available geological mapping, the bedrock across the majority of the site consists of interbedded sandstone and dolomite of the March formation. The overburden thickness across the subject site ranges from 5 to 10 m.

## 4.3 Groundwater

Groundwater levels were manually measured in the installed piezometers and monitoring well on June 10, 2024. The groundwater level readings are presented in the Soil Profile and Test Data sheets in Appendix 1. The measured groundwater levels are presented in Table 1 below:

Table 1 – Summary of Groundwater Levels				
	Ground	Measured Groundwater Level		
Borehole Number	Surface Elevation (m)	Depth (m)	Elevation (m)	Date Recorded
BH 1-24	93.19	3.51	89.68	June 10, 2024
BH 2-24	92.18	2.44	89.74	
BH 3-24	92.91	3.30	89.61	
<b>Note:</b> The ground surface elevation at each borehole location was surveyed using a handheld GPS using a geodetic datum.				

It should be noted that surface water can become trapped within a backfilled borehole that can lead to higher than typical groundwater level observations. It should be noted that groundwater levels are subject to seasonal fluctuations, therefore the groundwater levels could vary at the time of construction.



The long-term groundwater levels can also be estimated based on the observed colour, consistency, and moisture content of the recovered soil samples. Based on these observations, the long-term groundwater table can be expected at approximately **2.5 to 4.0 m** below ground surface. Groundwater levels are subject to seasonal fluctuations. Therefore, the groundwater levels could vary at the time of construction.

Due to the presence of a silt layer below the silty clay deposit, water may be trapped below the silty clay deposit and during excavation, water infiltration may occur during the initial excavation process. Therefore, additional considerations should be taken during the excavation operation to mitigate pooling of water within the bottom of the excavation.



## 5.0 Discussion

## 5.1 Geotechnical Assessment

From a geotechnical perspective, the subject site is considered suitable for the proposed building. With two (2) levels of underground parking, the founding elevation will be approximately 7 m below the ground surface. The proposed apartment building will be founded on conventional spread footings placed on an undisturbed glacial till layer and/or a clean, surface sounded bedrock bearing surface. However, if design building loads are too high, consideration could be given to founding the proposed building on a raft foundation.

Due to the presence of crystallized calcite within the bedrock, specifically below the proposed founding elevation. It is expected that the crystals were formed due to precipitation and surface water infiltrating pre-existing cracks within the limestone which forms crystals in the presence of minerals. The presence of calcite may weaken the bedrock where the calcite is present. Therefore, extra precautions should be made prior to the placement of the footings as well as a review of the vertical excavation faces should be done during excavation to assess the need for bedrock stabilization measures.

Bedrock removal is expected to be required to complete the excavation of the proposed basement levels for the building. Line drilling and controlled blasting where large quantities of bedrock need to be removed is recommended. All contractors should be prepared for bedrock and oversized boulder removal. The blasting operations should be planned and completed under the guidance of a professional engineer with experience in blasting operations.

Due to the presence of a silty clay layer, the proposed grading throughout the subject site will be subjected to a permissible grade restriction. Our permissible grade raise recommendations are discussed in Subsection 5.3.

The above and other considerations are further discussed in the following sections.



## 5.2 Site Grading and Preparation

## **Stripping Depth**

Topsoil and deleterious fill, such as those containing organic materials or construction debris, should be stripped from under any paved areas, pipe bedding and other settlement sensitive structures. Care should be taken not to disturb adequate bearing soils below the founding level during site preparation activities. Disturbance of the subgrade may result in having to sub-excavate the disturbed material and the placement of additional suitable fill material.

It is expected that the majority of overburden materials will be excavated to the glacial till deposit surface and/or bedrock surface for the entire building footprint to accommodate the two levels of underground parking.

## Fill Placement

Fill placed for grading throughout the building footprint should consist, unless otherwise specified, of clean imported granular fill, such as Ontario Provincial Standard Specifications (OPSS) Granular A or Granular B Type II. Imported fill material should be tested and approved prior to delivery to the site. The fill should be placed in a maximum 300 mm thick loose lifts and compacted by suitable compaction equipment. Fill placed beneath the building should be compacted to a minimum of 98% of the standard Proctor maximum dry density (SPMDD).

Non-specified existing fill along with site-excavated soil could be placed as general landscaping fill and beneath exterior parking areas where settlement of the ground surface is of minor concern. These materials should be spread in a maximum of 300 mm thick loose lifts and compacted by the tracks of the spreading equipment to minimize voids. If this material is to be used to build up the subgrade level for areas to be paved, it should be compacted in maximum 300 mm thick loose lifts to at least 98% of the material's SPMDD.

The placement of subgrade material should be reviewed at the time of placement by Paterson personnel. Non-specified existing fill and site-excavated soils are not suitable for placement as backfill against foundation walls, unless used in conjunction with a geocomposite drainage membrane, such as Miradrain G100N or Delta Terraxx.



Fill used for grading beneath the base and subbase layers of paved areas should consist, unless otherwise specified, of clean imported granular fill, such as OPSS Granular A, Granular B Type II, or select subgrade material. This material should be tested and approved by Paterson prior to delivery to the site. The fill should be placed in lifts no greater than 300 mm thick and compacted using suitable compaction equipment for the lift thickness. Fill placed beneath the paved areas should be compacted to at least 100% of its SPMDD.

#### Bedrock Removal

It is expected that line-drilling in conjunction with hoe-ramming, rock grinding, and controlled blasting will be required to remove the bedrock for the underground parking levels for the proposed building. In areas of weathered bedrock and where only a small quantity of bedrock is to be removed, bedrock removal may be possible by hoe-ramming.

Prior to considering blasting operations, the blasting effects on the existing services, buildings, and other structures should be addressed. A pre-blast or preconstruction survey of the existing structures located in the proximity of the blasting operations should be carried out prior to commencing site activities. The extent of the survey should be determined by the blasting consultant and should be sufficient to respond to any inquiries or claims related to the blasting operations.

As a general guideline, peak particle velocities (measured at the structures) should not exceed the below noted vibration limits during the blasting program to reduce the risks of damage to the existing surrounding structures. The blasting operations should be planned and conducted under the supervision of a licensed professional engineer who is also an experienced blasting consultant.

Excavation side slopes in sound bedrock can be carried out using near vertical sidewalls. A minimum 1 m horizontal ledge should be left between the bottom of the overburden excavation and the top of the bedrock surface to provide an area to allow for potential sloughing of the overburden. The 1 m horizontal ledge setback can be eliminated with a shoring program which has drilled piles extending below the proposed founding elevation.



#### Vibration Considerations

Construction operations are the cause of vibrations, and possibly, sources of nuisance to the community. Therefore, means to reduce the vibration levels as much as possible should be incorporated into the construction operations to maintain, as much as possible, a cooperative environment with the residents.

The following construction equipment could be the source of vibrations: hoe ram, compactor, dozer, crane, truck traffic, etc. Vibrations, whether caused by blasting operations or by construction operations, could be the source of detrimental vibrations on the nearby buildings and structures. Therefore, all vibrations are recommended to be limited.

Two parameters are used to determine the permissible vibrations, namely, the maximum peak particle velocity and the frequency. For low frequency vibrations, the maximum allowable peak particle velocity is less than that for high frequency vibrations.

As a guideline, the peak particle velocity should be less than 15 mm/s between frequencies of 4 to 12 Hz, and 50 mm/s above a frequency of 40 Hz (interpolate between 12 and 40 Hz). The guidelines are for current construction standards. Considering that these guidelines are above perceptible human level and, in some cases, could be very disturbing to some people, a pre-construction survey is recommended be completed to minimize the risks of claims during or following the construction of the proposed building.

#### **Bedrock Excavation Face Reinforcement and Preparation**

Bedrock excavation face reinforcement methods, such as the use of horizontal rock anchors and rock wedges/bolts in conjunction with shotcrete and/or chain link fencing with a layer of woven geotextile connected to the excavation face is expected to be required at specific locations to prevent bedrock pop-outs, especially in areas where bedrock fractures are conducive to the failure of the bedrock surface. Further, shotcrete and/or other material may be required to in-fill areas where bedrock pop-outs occur due to the nature of bedrock removal throughout the excavation footprint and in advance of the placement of foundation waterproofing products.



The requirement for bedrock excavation face reinforcement should be evaluated by Paterson personnel during the excavation operations. As a preliminary recommendation, provisions should be carried out for providing a minimum 1 m wide bedrock face protection layer across building excavation footprint perimeters for all portions of the excavations that will extend below the bedrock surface. Throughout the building excavation and bedrock removal process, the vertical bedrock excavation perimeter surfaces should be hoe-rammed and grinded smooth to provide a relatively flat substrate surface for the placement of the drainage board. All loose bedrock fragments should be removed by grinding operations.

It is recommended that Paterson review the bedrock excavation program at the time of construction.

## Overbreak in Bedrock

Sedimentary bedrock formation, such as sandstone, limestone, dolomite, and shale, contain bedding planes, joints and fractures, and mud seams which create natural planes of weakness within the rock mass. Although several factors of a blast may be controlled to reduce backbreak and overbreak, upon blasting, the rock mass will tend to break along natural planes of weakness that may be present beyond the designed blast profile. However, estimating the exact amount of backbreak and overbreak that may occur is not possible with conventional construction drill and blast methods.

Backbreak should be expected to occur along the perimeter of the building excavation footprint with conventional drill and blast bedrock removal methods. Further, overbreak is expected to occur throughout the lowest lifts of blasting due to the variable bedding planes and planes of weakness in the in-situ bedrock. It is very difficult to mitigate significant overblasting given the constraints posed by footing geometry and spacing with respect to the zone of influence of blasts and the bedrocks in-situ characteristics.

Depending on the methodology undertaken by the contractor, efforts taken to minimize backbreak and overbreak may add significant time and costs to the excavation operations and is not guaranteed to completely eliminate the potential for backbreak and overbreak. Overbreak below footings should be in-filled with lean-concrete and approved by Paterson prior to placing concrete.



As such, volume estimates of bedrock to be removed may not be reflective of the actual volume of bedrock that may be required to be removed at the time of construction. This may result in additional materials, such as imported fill and concrete, to make up for additional rock loss. It is recommended that the blasting operations be planned and conducted under the supervision of a licensed professional engineer who is an experienced blasting consultant.

It is highly recommended that the contractor/owner engage Paterson early into the excavation activities to identify anomalies within the bedrock. Vibration monitoring is also very essential at this stage which can be completed by Paterson as well. Also, it is important to note that completing an as-built of bedrock removal, including overbreaks, is required to be completed by the contractor and reviewed by Paterson to avoid confusion on the reasons for overbreaking the rock and to ensure that all parties are aware of the site conditions. Paterson should receive all as-built surveys post removal of the bedrock.

#### Protection of Subgrade (Raft Foundation)

It is recommended that a minimum of 75 mm thick lean concrete mud slab be placed on undisturbed, in-situ compact to very dense glacial till where a raft foundation is used as a building's foundation support. The main purpose of the mud slab is to reduce the risk of disturbance of the subgrade as a result of construction and moving equipment.

## 5.3 Foundation Design

#### Bearing Resistance Value (Conventional Shallow Foundation)

Footings, up to 6 m wide, founded on an undisturbed, compact to very dense glacial till bearing surface can be designed using a bearing resistance value at serviceability limit states (SLS) of **200 kPa** and a factored bearing resistance value at ultimate limit states (ULS) of **300 kPa**. A geotechnical resistance factor of 0.5 was applied to the reported bearing resistance value at ULS.

An undisturbed soil bearing surface consists of one from which all topsoil and deleterious materials, such as loose, frozen or disturbed soil, have been removed, in the dry, prior to the placement of concrete for footings.



Footings placed on a clean, surface sounded sandstone and dolomite bedrock surface can be designed using a factored bearing resistance value at ultimate limit states (ULS) of **1,500 kPa**, incorporating a geotechnical resistance factor of 0.5. A reduced bearing resistance value of **1000 kPa** is recommended for areas where the bedrock is found to contain traces of crystallized calcite of weak bedrock surface. Footings bearing on an acceptable bedrock bearing surface and designed using the bearing resistance values provided herein will be subjected to negligible potential post-construction total and differential settlements.

Footings placed on concrete in-filled, zero entry, vertical tranches extended to the bedrock surface can be designed to a similar bearing resistance values as the bedrock surface. It should be noted that the vertical trenches should extend horizontally a minimum of 150 mm beyond the footing faces in all directions. A minimum of 25 MPa concrete (28-day strength) should be used below the proposed footings.

A clean, surface-sounded bedrock bearing surface should be free of loose materials, and have no near surface seams, voids, fissures, or open joints which can be detected from surface sounding with a rock hammer.

#### Permissible Grade Raise Recommendations

Based on the undrained shear strength values of the silty clay deposit encountered throughout the subject site and our experience with the local silty clay deposit, **a permissible grade raise restriction of 2.0 m** is recommended in the immediate area of settlement sensitive structures. A post-development groundwater lowering of 0.5 m was considered in our permissible grade raise restriction calculations.

If higher than permissible grade raises are required, preloading with or without a surcharge, lightweight fill and/or other measures should be investigated to reduce the risks of unacceptable long-term post construction total and differential settlements.

## Settlement

Footings bearing on an undisturbed soil or an acceptable weathered bedrock bearing surface and designed for the bearing resistance values provided herein will be subjected to potential post- construction total and differential settlements of 25 and 20 mm, respectively.



Footings bearing on an acceptable bedrock bearing surface and designed for the bearing resistance values provided herein will be subjected to negligible potential post-construction total and differential settlements.

#### Bedrock to Soil Transition

Where a building is founded partly on bedrock and partly on soil, it is recommended to decrease the soil bearing resistance value by 25% for the footings placed on the soil bearing medium to reduce the potential long-term total and differential settlements. Also, at the soil/bedrock transitions, it is recommended that a minimum depth of 500 mm of bedrock be removed from below the founding elevation for a minimum length of 2 m on the bedrock side. This area should be subsequently reinstated with an engineered fill, such as OPSS Granular A or Granular B Type II and compacted to a minimum of 98% of the material SPMDD.

The width of the sub-excavation should be a minimum of 500 mm greater than the width of the footing. Steel reinforcement, extending a minimum of 3 m on both sides of the 2 m long transition, should be placed in the top portions of the footing and foundation walls.

#### Lateral Support

The bearing medium under footing-supported structures is required to be provided with adequate lateral support with respect to excavations and different foundation levels.

Adequate lateral support is provided to an undisturbed glacial till or a weathered bedrock bearing surface when a plane extending down and out from the bottom edge of the footing at a minimum of 1.5H:1V passes only through in situ soil or weathered bedrock or a material of the same or higher capacity as the in situ soil or weathered bedrock.

Adequate lateral support is provided to a sound bedrock bearing medium when a plane extending horizontally and vertically from the footing perimeter at a minimum of 1H:6V (or shallower) passes through sound bedrock or a material of the same or higher capacity as the bedrock, such as concrete.


### Raft Foundation (Glacial Till Bearing Surface)

Consideration can be given to a raft foundation if the building loads exceed the bearing resistance values given above. The following parameters may be used for raft design.

The amount of settlement of the raft slab will be dependent on the sustained raft contact pressure. A bearing resistance value at SLS (contact pressure) of **290 kPa** can be used for a raft supported on an undisturbed, compact to very dense glacial till deposit. The loading conditions for the contact pressure are based on sustained loads, that are generally taken to be 100% Dead Load and 50% Live Load. The factored bearing resistance (contact pressure) at ULS can be taken as **430 kPa**. A geotechnical resistance factor of 0.5 was applied to the bearing resistance value at ULS.

The modulus of subgrade reaction was calculated to be **11.5 MPa/m** for a contact pressure of **290 kPa**. The design of the raft foundation is required to consider the relative stiffness of the reinforced concrete slab and the supporting bearing medium.

Based on the following assumptions for the raft foundation, the proposed building can be designed using the above parameters and a total and differential settlement of 25 and 15 mm, respectively.

# 5.4 Design for Earthquakes

The site class for seismic site response can be taken as **Class C**. If a higher seismic site class is required (Class A or B), a site specific shear wave velocity test may be completed to accurately determine the applicable seismic site classification for foundation design of the proposed building, as presented in Table 4.1.8.4.A of the Ontario Building Code 2012.

Soils underlying the subject site are not susceptible to liquefaction. Reference should be made to the latest revision of the Ontario Building Code 2012 for a full discussion of the earthquake design requirements.



# 5.5 Basement Floor Slab / Slab-on-Grade Construction

It is expected that the basement area will be mostly parking and the recommended pavement structure noted in Subsection 5.7 will be applicable. However, if storage or other uses of the lower level are anticipated where a concrete floor slab will be used, it is recommended that the upper 200 mm of sub-slab fill consists of 19 mm clear crushed stone. All backfill material within the footprint of the proposed building should be placed in maximum 300 mm thick loose layers and compacted to at least 98% of its SPMDD.

# 5.6 Basement Wall

It is understood that the basement walls are to be poured against a water suppression system, which will be placed against the temporary shoring system and/or exposed bedrock face. Below the bedrock surface, a nominal coefficient for at-rest earth pressure of 0.05 is recommended in conjunction with a bulk unit weight of 24.5 kN/m<sup>3</sup> (effective 15.5 kN/m<sup>3</sup>).

A seismic earth pressure component will not be applicable for the foundation wall, which is to be poured against the bedrock face. It is expected that the seismic earth pressure will be transferred to the underground floor slab, which should be designed to accommodate these pressures. A hydrostatic pressure should be added for the portion below groundwater level.

Where the soil is to be retained, there are several combinations of backfill materials and retained soils that could be applicable for the basement walls of the subject structure. However, the conditions can be well-represented by assuming the retained soil consists of a material with an angle of internal friction of 30 degrees and a dry unit weight of 20 kN/m<sup>3</sup>. The applicable effective unit weight of the retained soil can be estimated as 13 kN/m<sup>3</sup>, where applicable. A hydrostatic pressure should be added to the total static earth pressure when calculating the effective unit weight.

The total earth pressure ( $P_{AE}$ ) includes the static earth pressure component ( $P_o$ ) and the seismic component ( $\Delta P_{AE}$ ).

#### Lateral Earth Pressures

The static horizontal earth pressure ( $P_o$ ) can be calculated using a triangular earth pressure distribution equal to  $K_o \cdot \gamma \cdot H$  where:



- $K_{o}$  = at-rest earth pressure coefficient of the applicable retained soil (0.5)
- $\gamma$  = unit weight of fill of the applicable retained soil (kN/m<sup>3</sup>)
- H = height of the wall (m)

An additional pressure having a magnitude equal to  $K_o \cdot q$  and acting on the entire height of the wall should be added to the above diagram for any surcharge loading, q (kPa), that may be placed at ground surface adjacent to the wall. The surcharge pressure will only be applicable for static analyses and should not be used in conjunction with the seismic loading case.

Actual earth pressures could be higher than the "at-rest" case if care is not exercised during the compaction of the backfill materials to maintain a minimum separation of 0.3 m from the walls with the compaction equipment.

#### Seismic Earth Pressures

The total seismic force ( $P_{AE}$ ) includes both the earth force component ( $P_o$ ) and the seismic component ( $\Delta P_{AE}$ ).

The seismic earth force ( $\Delta P_{AE}$ ) can be calculated using 0.375·ac· $\gamma$ ·H<sup>2</sup>/g where:

 $a_c = (1.45 - a_{max}/g)a_{max}$   $\gamma = unit weight of fill of the applicable retained soil (kN/m<sup>3</sup>)$ <math>H = height of the wall (m) $g = gravity, 9.81 m/s^2$ 

The peak ground acceleration,  $(a_{max})$ , for the Ottawa area is 0.32 g according to the OBC 2012. Note that the vertical seismic coefficient is assumed to be zero. The earth force component (P<sub>o</sub>) under seismic conditions can be calculated using P<sub>o</sub> = 0.5 K<sub>o</sub>  $\gamma$  H<sup>2</sup>, where K<sub>o</sub> = 0.5 for the soil conditions noted above.

The total earth force  $(P_{AE})$  is considered to act at a height, h (m), from the base of the wall, where:

 $h = \{P_o \cdot (H/3) + \Delta P_{AE} \cdot (0.6 \cdot H)\} / P_{AE}$ 

The earth forces calculated are unfactored. For the ULS case, the earth loads should be factored as live loads, as per the OBC 2012.



# 5.7 Pavement Structure

#### Pavement Structure Over Overburden

The following pavement structures may be considered for rigid pavement, car only parking, and heavy traffic areas. The proposed pavement structures are shown in Tables 2, 3, and 4.

Table 2 - Recommended Rigid Pavement Structure - Lower Level					
Thickness (mm)	Material Description				
125	Rigid Concrete Pavement - 32 MPa concrete with air entrainment				
300 BASE - OPSS Granular A Crushed Stone					
SUBGRADE - Either fill, OPSS Granular B Type II material placed over in situ soil, fill or rock					

Table 3 - Recommended Pavement Structure - Car-Only Parking Areas and Fire	)—
Truck Routes	

Thickness (mm)	Material Description
50	Wear Course - HL-3 or Superpave 12.5 Asphaltic Concrete
150	BASE - OPSS Granular A Crushed Stone
300	SUBBASE - OPSS Granular B Type II

**SUBGRADE** - Either in situ soil, fill or OPSS Granular B Type I or II material placed over in situ soil.

Table 4 - Recommended Pavement Structure - Heavy-Truck Traffic and Loading       Areas					
Thickness (mm)	Material Description				
40	Wear Course - HL-3 or Superpave 12.5 Asphaltic Concrete				
50	Binder Course - HL-8 or Superpave 19.0 Asphaltic Concrete				
150	BASE - OPSS Granular A Crushed Stone				
450	SUBBASE - OPSS Granular B Type II				
<b>SUBGRADE</b> - Either in situ soil, fill or OPSS Granular B Type I or II material placed over in situ soil.					



Minimum Performance Graded (PG) 58-34 asphalt cement should be used for this project. If soft spots develop in the subgrade during compaction or due to construction traffic, the affected areas should be excavated and replaced with OPSS Granular B Type II material.

The pavement granular base and subbase should be placed in maximum 300 mm thick lifts and compacted to a minimum of 100% of the material's SPMDD using suitable compaction equipment.

#### Pavement Structure Over Podium Deck Area and Raft Foundations

It is anticipated that the podium deck structure may be provided for landscaping or to accommodate car only parking areas, access lanes, fire truck lanes, and loading areas. Based on the concrete slab subgrade for this area and/or over basements located over a raft slab, the pavement structure indicated in the following tables may be considered for design purposes:

Table 5 - Recommended Pavement Structure - Car-Only Parking Areas (PodiumDeck and Raft Slab)							
Thickness (mm)	Material Description						
50	Wear Course - HL-3 or Superpave 12.5 Asphaltic Concrete						
200**	Base - OPSS Granular A Crushed Stone						
See Below*	Thermal Break* - Rigid insulation (See Paragraph Below)						
n/a	Waterproofing Membrane and Protection Board						
SUBGRADE – Reinforced Col	SUBGRADE – Reinforced Concrete Podium Deck or Raft Slab						
*If specified by others, not required from a geotechnical perspective. Also not required in							
basements over a raft slab.							
**Thickness is dependent on grade of insulation as noted in paragraphs below.							



Table 6 - Recommended	Pavement Structure – Access Lane, Fire Truck Lane,				
Ramp and Heavy Truck Parking Areas (Podium Deck and Raft Slab)					

Thickness (mm)	Material Description					
40	Wear Course - HL-3 or Superpave 12.5 Asphaltic Concrete					
50	Wear Course - HL-8 or Superpave 19.0 Asphaltic Concrete					
300**	Base - OPSS Granular A Crushed Stone					
See Below*	Thermal Break* - Rigid insulation (See Paragraph Below)					
n/a Waterproofing Membrane and Protection Board						
SUBGRADE – Reinforced Concrete Podium Deck or Raft Slab						
* If specified by others, not required from a geotechnical perspective. Also not required in						
basements over a raft slab.						
**Thickness is dependent on grade of insulation as noted in paragraphs below						

The transition between the pavement structure over the podium deck subgrade and soil subgrade beyond the footprint of the podium deck is recommended to be transitioned to match the pavement structures provided in the following section. For this transition, a 5H:1V frost taper is recommended between the two subgrade surfaces. Further, the base layer thickness should be increased to a minimum thickness of 600 mm below the top of the podium slab a minimum of 1.5 m horizontally from the face of the foundation wall prior to providing the recommended taper.

Should the proposed podium deck be specified by others to be provided a thermal break by the use of a layer of rigid insulation below the pavement structure, its placement within the pavement structure is recommended to be as per the abovenoted tables. The layer of rigid insulation is recommended to consist of a DOW Chemical High-Load 100 (HI-100), High-Load 60 (HI-60), or High Load (HI-40) extruded polystyrene. The pavement structures' base layer thickness in Table 5 and Table 6 may be reduced by 25 mm if HI-100 is considered for this project. It should be noted that Styrofoam rigid insulation is not considered suitable for this application.

#### Pavement Structure Drainage

Satisfactory performance of the pavement structure is largely dependent on the contact zone between the subgrade material and the base stone in a dry condition. Failure to provide adequate drainage under conditions of heavy wheel loading can result in the fine subgrade soil being pumped into the voids in the stone subbase, thereby reducing load carrying capacity.



Where silty clay is anticipated at subgrade level, consideration should be given to installing subdrains during the pavement construction as per City of Ottawa standards. The subdrain inverts should be approximately 300 mm below subgrade level, and the subgrade surface should be crowned to promote water flow to drainage lines.



# 6.0 Design and Construction Precautions

# 6.1 Groundwater Control for Construction

#### Foundation Drainage and Waterproofing

The following recommendations may be considered for the architectural design of the building's foundation drainage systems. It is recommended that Paterson be engaged at the design stage of the future building (and prior to tender) to review and provide supplemental information for the building foundation drainage system design.

Supplemental details, review of architectural design drawings, and additional information may be provided by Paterson for these items for incorporation in the building design packages and associated tender documents. It is recommended that Paterson review all details associated with the foundation drainage system prior to tender.

#### Groundwater Suppression System

It is recommended that a groundwater suppression system be provided for the proposed structure. It is expected that insufficient room will be available for exterior backfill and the foundation wall will be cast as a blind-sided pour against a shoring system and the bedrock surface. It is recommended that the groundwater suppression system consist of the following:

- □ A waterproofing membrane should be placed against the shoring system between the underside of footings and 1 m below the existing ground surface (1 m above long-term groundwater elevation). Where the membrane will extend against the shoring system, it is recommended to consist of a membrane with a bentonite-lined face for being paced against the shoring system. The membrane is recommended to overlap below the overlying perimeter foundation footprint by a minimum of 1 m inwards towards the building footprint and from the face of the overlying foundation. This will allow construction to proceed without imposing groundwater lowering within the surrounding area of the proposed building in the short and long term conditions.
- ❑ A composite drainage membrane (Delta Terraxx, MiraDrain G100N or equivalent) should be placed against the HDPE face of the waterproofing membrane with the geotextile layer facing the waterproofing layer from finished ground surface to the top of the footing.



- □ The foundation drainage boards should be overlapped such that the bottom end of a higher board is placed in front of the top end of a lower board. All endlaps of the drainage board sheets should overlap abutting sheets by a minimum of 150 mm. All overlaps should be sealed with a suitable adhesive and/or sealant material approved by the geotechnical consultant. It is highly recommended that the drainage board rolls be installed horizontally rather than vertically to minimize the number of vertical joints forming between the rolls.
- It is recommended that 150 mm diameter PVC sleeves at 6 m centers be cast in the foundation wall at the foundation wall/footing interface to allow the infiltration of water to flow to the interior perimeter drainage pipe. The sleeves should be connected to openings in the HDPE face of the drainage board layer. The perimeter drainage pipe and underfloor drainage system should direct water to sump pit(s) within the lower basement area via an underfloor and interior drainage pipe system.

The top end lap of the foundation drainage board should be provided with a suitable termination bar against the foundation wall to mitigate the potential for water to perch between the drainage board and foundation wall.

#### Interior Perimeter and Underfloor Drainage

An interior perimeter and underfloor drainage system will be required to redirect water from the building's foundation drainage system to the building's sump pit(s) if it will not discharge to an exterior catch basin structure. For preliminary design purposes, it is recommended that the interior perimeter and underfloor drainage pipes should consist of 100 or 150 mm diameter corrugated perforated plastic pipe sleeved with a geosock, placed at approximately 6 m.

The underfloor drainage pipe should be placed in each direction of the basement floor span and connected to the perimeter drainage pipe. The interior drainage pipe should be provided tee-connections to extend pipes between the perimeter drainage line and the HDPE-face of the composite foundation drainage board via the foundation wall sleeves.

The spacing of the underfloor drainage should be confirmed by Paterson at the time of excavation when water infiltration can be better assessed and once the foundation layout and sump system location has been finalized.



### Foundation Backfill

Where applicable, backfill against the exterior sides of the foundation walls should consist of free draining non frost susceptible granular materials.

The greater part of the site excavated materials will be frost susceptible and, as such, are not recommended for re-use as backfill against the foundation walls, unless used in conjunction with a drainage geocomposite, such as Miradrain G100N or Delta Terraxx, connected to the perimeter foundation drainage system. Imported granular materials, such as clean sand or OPSS Granular B Type II granular material, should otherwise be used for this purpose.

Foundation backfill material should be compacted in maximum 300 mm thick loose lifts and with suitably sized vibratory compaction equipment (smooth-drum roller for crushed stone fill, sheepsfoot roller for soil fill).

#### Podium Deck Waterproofing Tie-In (If Applicable)

Waterproofing layers for podium deck surfaces should overlap across and below the top end lap of the vertically installed composite foundation drainage board to mitigate the potential for water to migrate between the drainage board and foundation wall as depicted in Figure 2 – Podium Deck to Foundation Wall Drainage System Tie-in Detail.

#### Sidewalks and Walkways

Backfill material below sidewalk and walkway subgrade areas or other settlement sensitive structures which are not adjacent to the building should consist of freedraining, non-frost susceptible material. This material should be placed in maximum 300 mm thick loose lifts and compacted to at least 98% of its SPMDD under dry and above freezing conditions.

#### Foundation Raft Slab Construction Joints

If applicable, it is anticipated the raft slab will be poured in several pour segments. For the construction joint at each pour, a PVC water stop along with a chemical grout (Xypex or equivalent) should be applied to the entire vertical joint of the slab. Furthermore, a PVC water stop should be incorporated in the horizontal interface between the foundation wall and the raft slab.



### Finalized Drainage and Waterproofing Design

Paterson should be provided with the finalized structural and architectural drawings for the proposed building to provide a building-specific waterproofing and drainage design which includes the above-noted recommendations. The design will provide recommendations for other items such as minimum pipe spacings, pipe mechanical connections below grade, transitioning from blind to double sided pours (if applicable), etc.

# 6.2 **Protection Against Frost Action**

Perimeter footings of heated structures are required to be insulated against the deleterious effects of frost action. A minimum 1.5 m thick soil cover alone, or a combination of soil cover in conjunction with foundation insulation should be provided in this regard.

Other exterior unheated footings, such as those for isolated exterior piers, are more prone to deleterious movement associated with frost action than the exterior walls of the proper structure. These footings should be provided with a minimum 2.1 m thick soil cover (or insulation equivalent).

# 6.3 Excavation and Service Trenches

#### Unsupported Side Slopes

The excavation side slopes above the groundwater level extending to a maximum depth of 3 m should be cut back at 1H:1V or flatter. The flatter slope is required for excavation below groundwater level. The subsurface soil is considered to be mainly a Type 2 and Type 3 soil according to the Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations for Construction Projects.

Excavated soil should not be stockpiled directly at the top of excavations and heavy equipment should maintain safe working distance from the excavation sides.

Excavation side slopes carried out for the building footprint are recommended to be provided surface protection from erosion by rain and surface water runoff where shoring is not anticipated to be implemented. This can be accomplished by covering the entire surface of the excavation side-slopes with tarps secured between the top and bottom of the excavation and approved by Paterson personnel at the time of construction.



It is further recommended to maintain a relatively dry surface along the bottom of the excavation footprint to mitigate the potential for sloughing of side-slopes.

Slopes in excess of 3 m in height should be periodically inspected by the geotechnical consultant in order to detect if the slopes are exhibiting signs of distress.

A trench box is recommended to protect personnel working in trenches with steep or vertical sides. Services are expected to be installed by "cut and cover" methods and excavations should not remain open for extended periods of time.

#### **Temporary Shoring**

For preliminary design purposes, the temporary system may consist of a soldier pile and lagging system or interlocking steel sheet piling. Any additional loading due to street traffic, construction equipment, adjacent structures and facilities, etc., should be added to the earth pressures described below.

It is important to note that the excavation for the proposed building is expected to remove lateral support of the adjacent building footings. Therefore, a temporary shoring system, such as soldier piles and lagging, should be designed to provide the necessary lateral support for the adjacent foundations. In addition, the footings of the north neighbouring building could be supported with structural brackets designed by a qualified engineer, extended under the footings and welded to the back of the soldier piles.

These systems can be cantilevered, anchored or braced. Earth pressures acting

Table 7 – Soil Parameters for Calculating Earth Pressures Acting on Shoring System					
Parameter	Value				
Active Earth Pressure Coefficient (K <sub>a</sub> )	0.33				
Passive Earth Pressure Coefficient ( $K_p$ )	3				
At-Rest Earth Pressure Coefficient ( $K_o$ )	0.5				
Unit Weight (γ), kN/m³	20				
Submerged Unit Weight (γ'), kN/m <sup>3</sup>	13				

on the shoring system may be calculated using the parameters provided in Table 7.



### Soldier Pile and Lagging System

The earth pressure acting on a soldier pile and lagging shoring system can be calculated using a rectangular earth pressure distribution with a maximum pressure of  $0.65 \cdot \text{K} \cdot \gamma \cdot \text{H}$  for strutted or anchored shoring, or a triangular earth pressure distribution with a maximum value of  $\text{K} \cdot \gamma \cdot \text{H}$  for a cantilever shoring system. H is the height of the excavation.

The active earth pressure should be used where wall movements are permissible while the at-rest pressure should be used if no movement is permissible.

The total unit weight should be used above the groundwater level while the submerged unit weight should be used below the groundwater level.

The hydrostatic groundwater pressure should be added to the earth pressure distribution wherever the undrained unit weights are used for earth pressure calculations, should the level on the groundwater not be lowered below the bottom of the excavation. If the groundwater level is lowered, the total unit weight for the soil should be used for the full height, with no hydrostatic groundwater pressure component.

A minimum factor of safety of 1.5 should be used.

# 6.4 Pipe Bedding and Backfill

Bedding and backfill materials should be in accordance with the most recent Material Specifications and Standard Detail Drawings from the Department of Public Works and Services, Infrastructure Services Branch of the City of Ottawa.

The pipe bedding for the sewer and water pipes should consist of at least 150 mm of OPSS Granular A. The bedding layer thickness should be increased to a minimum of 300 mm where the subgrade will consist of silty clay or bedrock. The material should be placed in a maximum 225 mm thick loose lifts and compacted to a minimum of 99% of its SPMDD. The bedding material should extend at least to the spring line of the pipe.

The cover material, which should consist of OPSS Granular A, should extend from the spring line of the pipe to at least 300 mm above the obvert of the pipe. The material should be placed in maximum 225 mm thick lifts and compacted to a minimum of 99% of its SPMDD.



It should generally be possible to re-use the moist (not wet) site-generated fill above the cover material if the excavation and filling operations are carried out in dry weather conditions. Wet site-generated fill will be difficult to re-use, as the highwater contents make compacting impractical without an extensive drying period.

Where hard surface areas are considered above the trench backfill, the trench backfill material within the frost zone (about 1.8 m below finished grade) should match the soils exposed at the trench walls to minimize differential frost heaving. The trench backfill should be placed in maximum 300 mm thick loose lifts and compacted to a minimum of 95% of the material's SPMDD.

## 6.5 Groundwater Control

#### **Groundwater Control for Building Construction**

Based on our observations, it is anticipated that groundwater infiltration into the excavations should be low to moderate and controllable using open sumps. Pumping from open sumps should be sufficient to control the groundwater influx through the sides of shallow excavations. Provisions should be carried out for using higher capacity open sump systems for excavations undertaken below the bedrock surface. The contractor should be prepared to direct water away from all subgrades, regardless of the source, to prevent disturbance to the founding medium.

#### Permit to Take Water

A temporary Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) permit to take water (PTTW) may be required if more than 400,000 L/day of ground and/or surface water are to be pumped during the construction phase. At least 4 to 5 months should be allowed for completion of the application and issuance of the permit by the MECP.

For typical ground or surface water volumes being pumped during the construction phase, typically between 50,000 to 400,000 L/day, it is required to register on the Environmental Activity and Sector Registry (EASR). A minimum of two to four weeks should be allotted for completion of the EASR registration and the Water Taking and Discharge Plan to be prepared by a Qualified Persons as stipulated under O.Reg. 63/16. If a project qualifies for a PTTW based upon anticipated conditions, an EASR will not be allowed as a temporary dewatering measure while awaiting the MECP review of the PTTW application.



# 6.6 Winter Construction

Precautions must be taken if winter construction is considered for this project.

The subsoil conditions at this site consist of frost susceptible materials. In the presence of water and freezing conditions, ice could form within the soil mass. Heaving and settlement upon thawing could occur.

In the event of construction during below zero temperatures, the founding stratum should be protected from freezing temperatures by the use of straw, propane heaters and tarpaulins or other suitable means. In this regard, the base of the excavations should be insulated from sub-zero temperatures immediately upon exposure and until such time as heat is adequately supplied to the building and the footings are protected with sufficient soil cover to prevent freezing at founding level.

Trench excavations and pavement construction are also difficult activities to complete during freezing conditions without introducing frost in the subgrade or in the excavation walls and bottoms. Precautions should be taken if such activities are to be carried out during freezing conditions. Additional information could be provided, if required.

Precaution must be taken where excavations are carried in proximity of existing structures which may be adversely affected due to the freezing conditions. In particular, it should be recognized that where a shoring system is used, the soil behind the shoring system will be subjected to freezing conditions and could result in heaving of the structure(s) placed within or above frozen soil. Provisions should be made in the contract document to protect the walls of the excavations from freezing, if applicable.



# 7.0 Recommendations

It is recommended that the following be carried out by Paterson once preliminary and future details of the proposed development have been prepared:

- Review preliminary and detailed grading, servicing, landscaping, and structural plan(s) from a geotechnical perspective.
- □ Review of the geotechnical aspects of the excavation contractor's shoring design, if not designed by Paterson, prior to construction, if applicable.
- □ Review of architectural plans pertaining to groundwater suppression systems, underfloor drainage systems, and waterproofing details for elevator shafts.

It is a requirement for the foundation design data provided herein to be applicable that a material testing and observation program be performed by the geotechnical consultant. The following aspects of the program should be performed by Paterson:

- **Q** Review and inspection of the installation of the foundation drainage systems.
- □ Observation of all bearing surfaces prior to the placement of concrete.
- □ Observation of driving and re-striking of all pile foundations.
- Sampling and testing of the concrete and fill materials.
- Periodic observation of the condition of unsupported excavation side slopes in excess of 3 m in height, if applicable.
- Observation of all subgrades prior to backfilling and follow-up field density tests to determine the level of compaction achieved.
- □ Field density tests to determine the level of compaction achieved.
- □ Sampling and testing of the bituminous concrete including mix design reviews.

A report confirming that these works have been conducted in general accordance with our recommendations could be issued upon the completion of a satisfactory inspection program by the geotechnical consultant.

All excess soil must be handled as per *Ontario Regulation 406/19: On-Site and Excess Soil Management*.



# 8.0 Statement of Limitations

The recommendations provided are in accordance with the present understanding of the project. Paterson requests permission to review the recommendations when the drawings and specifications are completed.

A soils investigation is a limited sampling of a site. Should any conditions at the site be encountered which differ from those at the test locations, Paterson requests immediate notification to permit reassessment of our recommendations.

The recommendations provided herein should only be used by the design professionals associated with this project. They are not intended for contractors bidding on or undertaking the work. The latter should evaluate the factual information provided in this report and determine the suitability and completeness for their intended construction schedule and methods. Additional testing may be required for their purposes.

The present report applies only to the project described in this document. Use of this report for purposes other than those described herein or by person(s) other than Campanale Homes or their agents is not authorized without review by Paterson for the applicability of our recommendations to the alternative use of the report.

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# **APPENDIX 1**

SOIL PROFILE AND TEST DATA SHEETS SYMBOLS AND TERMS ROCK CORE PHOTOGRAPHS

#### SOIL PROFILE AND TEST DATA patersongroup Geotechnical Investigation - Prop. Apartment Buildings Blocks 5, 8, and 10 - 609, 617, and 621 Longfields Drive 9 Auriga Drive, Ottawa, Ontario K2E 7T9 Ottawa, Ontario 363961.114 5016468.983 ELEVATION: 93.19 EASTING: NORTHING: FILE NO. PG2119 DATUM: Geodetic **REMARKS**: HOLE NO.

BORINGS BY: CME-55 Low Clearance Drill DATE:					June 3	, 2024		BH 1-2	4	
SAMPLE DESCRIPTION	РГОТ	SAMPLE		SAMPLE		DEPTH	ELEV.	Pen. Resist. Blows/0.3m ● 50 mm Dia. Cone		
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		ss	3	75	Р	2-	-91.19	<u>م</u>	2	19
2	97	ss	4	0	Ρ	3-	-90.19	Δ	0	
clay		ss	5	50	Р			O		
depth4. GLACIAL TILL: Dense grey silty	<u>19</u>	ss	6	75	3	4-	-89.19			
sand with gravel, cobbles and boulders, some clay		ss	7	54	34	5-	-88.19	0		
		ss	8	83	37	6-	-87.19	0		
7.		RC	1	58	n/a	7-	-86.19			
BEDROCK: Poor quality interbedded grey sandstone and dolomite	+ $         -$	RC	2	93	36	8-	-85.19			
- Crystallized calcite encountered from 7.4 to 8.0 m - Crystallized calcite encountered						9-	-84.19			
from 9.5 to 9.9 m - Crystallized calcite encountered from 10.1 to 10.3 m		RC	3	100	36	10-	-83.19			
End of Borehole	<u>59</u>									
(GWL @ 3.51 m - June 10, 2024)										
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#### SOIL PROFILE AND TEST DATA patersongroup **Geotechnical Investigation - Prop. Apartment Buildings** Blocks 5, 8, and 10 - 609, 617, and 621 Longfields Drive 9 Auriga Drive, Ottawa, Ontario K2E 7T9 Ottawa, Ontario EASTING: 363947.379 NORTHING: 5016484.095 **ELEVATION**: 92.18 FILE NO. **PG2119** DATUM: Geodetic **REMARKS:** HOLE NO. BORINGS BY: CME-55 Low Clearance Drill BH 2-24 June 3, 2024 DATE: STRATA PLOT SAMPLE Pen. Resist. Blows/0.3m **PIEZOMETER** CONSTRUCTION DEPTH ELEV. • 50 mm Dia. Cone SAMPLE DESCRIPTION (m) (m) RECOVERY N VALUE or RQD NUMBER TYPE % O Water Content % 80 **Ground Surface** 20 40 60 0+92.18FILL: Brown silty sand, some 1,1,1,1,1,1,1,1 0.36 XX & AU 1 Ĉ clay, trace topsoil and crushed stone Stiff brown SILTY CLAY 1 + 91.18SS 2 92 4 $\overline{}$ A SS 3 42 Ρ 2+90.18 2.13 Loose grey SILT, some clay Ţ SS Ρ 4 83 $\odot$ 3+89.18 SS 5 100 Ρ 3.73 GLACIAL TILL: Loose grey 4+88.18 clayey silt, some sand and gravel 6 SS 75 8 4.27 O **GLACIAL TILL:** Very dense grey silty sand to sandy silt with gravel, cobbles and boulders SS 7 100 +50 5+87.18 - Trace clay by 5.5 m SS 8 100 +500 6.10 6+86.18 **BEDROCK:** Excellent quality grey sandstone RC 1 100 93 7+85.18 8+84.18 RC 2 100 91 9+83.18 RC 3 100 90 10+82.18 10.49 End of Borehole

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Shear Strength (kPa)

20

Undisturbed

60

80

 $\triangle$  Remoulded

100

(GWL @ 2.44 m - June 10, 2024)

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# SOIL PROFILE AND TEST DATA

Geotechnical Investigation - Prop. Apartment Buildings Blocks 5, 8, and 10 - 609, 617, and 621 Longfields Drive Ottawa, Ontario

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EASTING: 363931.931 NORTHING: 5016457.913 DATUM: Geodetic				ELEV	ATION	: 92.91			FILE NO	<sup>).</sup> PG	52119	)		
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	_ <u>2.9</u> 7		ss	4	4	Р	3-	-89.91	4		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
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GLACIAL TILL: Very loose to loose grey silty clay, some sand,	<u>4.11</u>		ss	6	100	2	4-	-88.91	o	O	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
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# SYMBOLS AND TERMS

#### SOIL DESCRIPTION

Behavioural properties, such as structure and strength, take precedence over particle gradation in describing soils. Terminology describing soil structure are as follows:

Desiccated	-	having visible signs of weathering by oxidation of clay minerals, shrinkage cracks, etc.
Fissured	-	having cracks, and hence a blocky structure.
Varved	-	composed of regular alternating layers of silt and clay.
Stratified	-	composed of alternating layers of different soil types, e.g. silt and sand or silt and clay.
Well-Graded	-	Having wide range in grain sizes and substantial amounts of all intermediate particle sizes (see Grain Size Distribution).
Uniformly-Graded	-	Predominantly of one grain size (see Grain Size Distribution).

The standard terminology to describe the relative strength of cohesionless soils is the compactness condition, usually inferred from the results of the Standard Penetration Test (SPT) 'N' value. The SPT N value is the number of blows of a 63.5 kg hammer, falling 760 mm, required to drive a 51 mm O.D. split spoon sampler 300 mm into the soil after an initial penetration of 150 mm. An SPT N value of "P" denotes that the split-spoon sampler was pushed 300 mm into the soil without the use of a falling hammer.

Compactness Condition	'N' Value	Relative Density %
Very Loose	<4	<15
Loose	4-10	15-35
Compact	10-30	35-65
Dense	30-50	65-85
Very Dense	>50	>85

The standard terminology to describe the strength of cohesive soils is the consistency, which is based on the undisturbed undrained shear strength as measured by the in situ or laboratory shear vane tests, unconfined compression tests, or occasionally by the Standard Penetration Test (SPT). Note that the typical correlations of undrained shear strength to SPT N value (tabulated below) tend to underestimate the consistency for sensitive silty clays, so Paterson reviews the applicable split spoon samples in the laboratory to provide a more representative consistency value based on tactile examination.

Consistency	Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)	'N' Value
Very Soft	<12	<2
Soft	12-25	2-4
Firm	25-50	4-8
Stiff	50-100	8-15
Very Stiff	100-200	15-30
Hard	>200	>30

#### SYMBOLS AND TERMS (continued)

#### **SOIL DESCRIPTION (continued)**

Cohesive soils can also be classified according to their "sensitivity". The sensitivity,  $S_t$ , is the ratio between the undisturbed undrained shear strength and the remoulded undrained shear strength of the soil. The classes of sensitivity may be defined as follows:

St < 2
$2 < S_t < 4$
$4 < S_t < 8$
8 < St < 16
St > 16

#### **ROCK DESCRIPTION**

The structural description of the bedrock mass is based on the Rock Quality Designation (RQD).

The RQD classification is based on a modified core recovery percentage in which all pieces of sound core over 100 mm long are counted as recovery. The smaller pieces are considered to be a result of closely-spaced discontinuities (resulting from shearing, jointing, faulting, or weathering) in the rock mass and are not counted. RQD is ideally determined from NQ or larger size core. However, it can be used on smaller core sizes, such as BQ, if the bulk of the fractures caused by drilling stresses (called "mechanical breaks") are easily distinguishable from the normal in situ fractures.

#### RQD % ROCK QUALITY

90-100	Excellent, intact, very sound
75-90	Good, massive, moderately jointed or sound
50-75	Fair, blocky and seamy, fractured
25-50	Poor, shattered and very seamy or blocky, severely fractured
0-25	Very poor, crushed, very severely fractured

#### SAMPLE TYPES

SS	-	Split spoon sample (obtained in conjunction with the performing of the Standard Penetration Test (SPT))
TW	-	Thin wall tube or Shelby tube, generally recovered using a piston sampler
G	-	"Grab" sample from test pit or surface materials
AU	-	Auger sample or bulk sample
WS	-	Wash sample
RC	-	Rock core sample (Core bit size BQ, NQ, HQ, etc.). Rock core samples are obtained with the use of standard diamond drilling bits.

### SYMBOLS AND TERMS (continued)

#### PLASTICITY LIMITS AND GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION

WC%	-	Natural water content or water content of sample, %
LL	-	Liquid Limit, % (water content above which soil behaves as a liquid)
PL	-	Plastic Limit, % (water content above which soil behaves plastically)
ΡI	-	Plasticity Index, % (difference between LL and PL)
Dxx	-	Grain size at which xx% of the soil, by weight, is of finer grain sizes These grain size descriptions are not used below 0.075 mm grain size
D10	-	Grain size at which 10% of the soil is finer (effective grain size)
D60	-	Grain size at which 60% of the soil is finer
Сс	-	Concavity coefficient = $(D30)^2 / (D10 \times D60)$
Cu	-	Uniformity coefficient = D60 / D10
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Cc and Cu are used to assess the grading of sands and gravels: Well-graded gravels have: 1 < Cc < 3 and Cu > 4Well-graded sands have: 1 < Cc < 3 and Cu > 6Sands and gravels not meeting the above requirements are poorly-graded or uniformly-graded. Cc and Cu are not applicable for the description of soils with more than 10% silt and clay (more than 10% finer than 0.075 mm or the #200 sieve)

#### **CONSOLIDATION TEST**

p'o	-	Present effective overburden pressure at sample depth
p'c	-	Preconsolidation pressure of (maximum past pressure on) sample
Ccr	-	Recompression index (in effect at pressures below p'c)
Сс	-	Compression index (in effect at pressures above p'c)
OC Ra	tio	Overconsolidaton ratio = p'c / p'o
Void Ra	atio	Initial sample void ratio = volume of voids / volume of solids
Wo	-	Initial water content (at start of consolidation test)

#### PERMEABILITY TEST

k - Coefficient of permeability or hydraulic conductivity is a measure of the ability of water to flow through the sample. The value of k is measured at a specified unit weight for (remoulded) cohesionless soil samples, because its value will vary with the unit weight or density of the sample during the test.







Photograph of Rock Core obtained from BH 1-24 from interval RC1

Rock Core interval ranged between 19'11" to 24'6"

Recovery (%) = 58

Rock Quality Designation (RQD - %) = N/A - Boulder





Photograph of Rock Core obtained from BH 1-24 from interval RC2

Rock Core interval ranged between 24'6" to 29'10"

Recovery (%) = 93

Rock Quality Designation (RQD - %) = 36





Photograph of Rock Core obtained from BH 1-24 from interval RC3

Rock Core interval ranged between 29'10" to 34'9"

Recovery (%) = 100

Rock Quality Designation (RQD - %) = 36





Photograph of Rock Core obtained from BH 2-24 from interval RC1

Rock Core interval ranged between 19'10" to 24'7"

Recovery (%) = 100

Rock Quality Designation (RQD - %) = 93





Photograph of Rock Core obtained from BH 2-24 from interval RC2

Rock Core interval ranged between 24'7" to 29'4"

Recovery (%) = 100

Rock Quality Designation (RQD) = 91





Photograph of Rock Core obtained from BH 2-24 from interval RC3

Rock Core interval ranged between 29'4" to 34'5"

Recovery (%) = 100

Rock Quality Designation (RQD) = 90





Photograph of Rock Core obtained from BH 3-24 from interval RC1

Rock Core interval ranged between 20'4" to 25'1"

Recovery (%) = 68

Rock Quality Designation (RQD) = N/A - Boulder





Photograph of Rock Core obtained from BH 3-24 from interval RC2

Rock Core interval ranged between 25'1" to 30'0"

Recovery (%) = 100

Rock Quality Designation (RQD) = 50





Photograph of Rock Core obtained from BH 3-24 from interval RC3

Rock Core interval ranged between 30'0" to 34'10"

Recovery (%) = 100

Rock Quality Designation (RQD) = 96



# **APPENDIX 2**

# FIGURE 1 – KEY PLAN

FIGURE 2 – PODIUM DECK TO FOUNDATION WALL DRAINAGE SYSTEM TIE-IN DETAIL

DRAWING PG2119-7 – TEST HOLE LOCATION PLAN



# FIGURE 1

**KEY PLAN** 




## NOTES:

THE ABOVE DETAIL FOR HOT RUBBER AND DRAINAGE BOARD OVERLAP IS APPLICABLE TO ALL EDGE-PORTIONS OF THE PODIUM DECK AND/OR SUSPENDED GROUND FLOOR SLAB STRUCTURE.

APPLICABILITY THICKNESS AND EXTENSIONS OF RIGID INSULATION ARE SPECIFIED BY OTHERS

WHERE THE GRADING SURFACE TERMINATES AGAINST THE BUILDING FACE AND PAVEMENT STRUCTURE IS NOT LOCATED ABOVE THE EDGE OF THE FOUNDATION WALL AND PODIUM DECK SLAB AS DEPICTED HEREIN, IT IS RECOMMENDED TO PROVIDE A SUITABLE TERMINATION BAR TO SEAL THE TOP ENDLAP OF THE HOT-APPLIED RUBBER MEMBRANE LAYER TO THE VERTICAL FACE OF THE STRUCTURE. THIS WOULD BE REQUIRED TO MITIGATE THE POTENTIAL FOR THE MIGRATION OF WATER BEHIND THE RUBBER MEMBRANE.

ALL PORTIONS OF THE ABOVE-NOTED DETAIL (INSULATION OF FOUNDATION DRAINAGE BOARD, TERMINATION BAR, HOT-RUBBER MEMBRANE OVER SLAB, FOUNDATION WALL CONSTRUCTION JOINT AND OVERLAPPING/SHINGLING OF DRAINAGE BOARD) SHOULD BE REVIEWED AT THE TIME OF CONSTRUCTION BY PATERSON PERSONNEL.

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