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# Report on Geotechnical Investigation Hunter Pole Replacement Program Hebdon Road, Muswellbrook NSW

## 1. Introduction

This report presents the results of a geotechnical investigation undertaken for Hunter pole replacement program at Hebdon Road, Muswellbrook NSW. The investigation was commissioned in a purchase order form Ausgrid PO 4501072672 and was undertaken in accordance with Douglas' proposal 226603.00.Rev1 dated 1 December 2024.

It is understood that the proposed development includes replacement of a number of existing timber transmission poles along the alignment.

The aim of the investigation was to assess the subsurface soil and groundwater conditions across the site in order to provide:

- A summary of investigation methods (eg subsurface strata, groundwater, rock levels, etc.);
- Borehole logs or cone penetration test plots as well as test location plan;
- Summarised subsurface conditions, noting rock and groundwater depths, if encountered;
- Geotechnical parameters for soil units, including density, friction angle and cohesion and lateral bearing pressure / modulus of subgrade reaction;
- Estimate of unconfined compressive strength of rock, where appropriate; and
- Observation of possible areas of contamination and recommendations for laboratory testing.

The investigation included the drilling of boreholes, cone penetration testing and laboratory testing of selected samples. The details of the field work are presented in this report, together with comments and recommendations on the items listed above.



## 2. Site Description

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The transmission alignment extends from Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook (refer Figure 1).

Figure 1: Approximate extent of alignment (with bore and CPT locations)

The alignment is generally described as follows:

- Near Main Road, Kurri Kurri to near old Maitland Road, Sawyers Gully (Bores 1 to 9) generally follows the New England Highway and is mostly within or in close proximity to the road reserve. Bore locations are generally either within grassed areas or cleared easements within forested areas;
- Near old Maitland Road, Sawyers Gully to Lovedale Road, Allandale (Bores 10 to 13) generally within an existing cleared easement through rural property;



- Lovedale Road, Allandale to Golden Highway (Bores 14 to 24) generally follows the New England Highway and to the south or west of the road reserve Bore locations are generally either within grassed areas or cleared easements within forested areas;
- Golden Highway to Putty Road, Mount Thorley (Bores 25 to 30) generally follows the Golden Highway, and is within or in close proximity to the road reserve. The majority of the bores are within cleared paddocks.
- Putty Road to Jerrys Plains Road, Mount Thorley (Bores 31a and 32) either within the road reserve, near an existing creek crossing (Bore 31a) or within a vegetated area within the intersection of Putty Road and Jerrys Plains Road;
- Jerrys Plains Road (Bore 33c) on the eastern side of Jerrys Plains Road, in a cleared paddock;
- Jerrys Plains Road to New England Highway, Camberwell (Bore 40, 41, 42 and 44, and CPTs 38, 39 and 43) through cleared paddocks with several locations near existing creeklines;
- New England Highway, Camberwell to New England Highway, Ravensworth (CPTs 45 to 47) within cleared paddocks on the eastern side of the New England Highway, and in proximity to existing creeklines;
- New England Highway, Ravensworth to Hebden Road, Hebden (Bores 48 to 51) generally within mine land which has possibly been disturbed by mining activities. Bore 51 is north of Lake Lidell in a cleared paddock;
- Muswellbrook (Bores 52 to 54) located north-west of Muswellbrook Coal mine and south-west of the existing Muswellbrook substation, generally within a cleared easement in lightly forested areas.

## 3. Published Data

## 3.1 Acid Sulfate Soil Mapping

A review of acid sulfate mapping indicate that all towers are in areas mapped as having no known occurrence of acid sulfate soils.

## 3.2 Geology Mapping

The NSW Geology Mapping, overlayed by the borehole locations are presented in Figure 2 below. A summary of this information is also provided in Table 1 below.







Figure 2: Mapped geology along alignment



## Table 1: Summary of Brief Desktop Review

Pole Location	Geology Code	Geological Name	Soil Landscape Group
1	Pdaf	Farley Formation	Neath
2	Pdar	Farley Formation	Neath
3	Pdar	Rutherford Formation	Neath
4	Pdar	Rutherford Formation	Neath
5	Pdar	Rutherford Formation	Neath
6	Pdar / Q_av	Rutherford Formation (near Alluvial valley deposits)	Neath
7	Pdar	Rutherford Formation	Branxton
8	Pdar	Rutherford Formation	Branxton
9	Pdaa	Allandale Formation	Branxton
10	Pdal / Pdaa	Lochinvar Formation (near Allandale Formation)	Branxton
11	Pdal	Lochinvar Formation	Rothbury
12	Pdar / Pdaa	Rutherford Formation (near Allandale Formation)	Branxton
13	Pdar / Pdaf	Rutherford Formation (near Farley Formation)	Rothbury
14	Pdaf	Farley Formation	Branxton
15	Pmtb	Branxton Formation	Branxton
16	Pmtb	Branxton Formation	Branxton
17	Pmtb	Branxton Formation	Branxton
18	Pmtb / Q_a	Branxton Formation (near Quaternary alluvium)	Branxton
19	Pmtm	Mulbring Siltstone	Rothbury
20	Pmtm / Pmtu	Mulbring Siltstone (near Muree Siltstone)	Rothbury
21	Pmtb	Branxton Formation	Branxton
22	Pmtb / Pmtu	Branxton Formation (near Muree Siltstone)	Rothbury
23	Pmtm	Mulbring Siltstone	Branxton
24	Pmtm	Mulbring Siltstone	Branxton
25	Pmtm	Mulbring Siltstone	Rothbury
26	Pmtm	Mulbring Siltstone	Hunter
27	Pmtm	Mulbring Siltstone	Rothbury
28	Pmtm	Mulbring Siltstone	Branxton
29	Pmtm	Mulbring Siltstone	Rothbury
30	Pmtm / Pmtu	Mulbring Siltstone (near Muree Siltstone)	Rothbury
31a	Pmtb	Branxton Formation	Branxton
32	Pwts	Saltwater Creek Formation	Branxton
33c	Pwv/Q_av	Vane Subgroup (near Alluvial valley deposits)	Hunter
38	Q_av	Alluvial valley deposits	Branxton



Pole Location	Geology Code	Geological Name	Soil Landscape Group
39	Q_av / Pwj	Alluvial valley deposits (near Jerrys Plains Subgroup)	Hunter
40	Q_av	Alluvial valley deposits	Hunter
41	Pwv	Vane Subgroup	Roxburgh
42	Pwv	Vane Subgroup	Roxburgh
43	Q_av	Alluvial valley deposits	Hunter
44	Pwv	Vane Subgroup	Bayswater
45	Q_av	Alluvial valley deposits	Hunter
46	Q_av	Alluvial valley deposits	Hunter
47	Q_av	Alluvial valley deposits	Hunter
48	Pwj	Jerrys Plains Subgroup	Lidell
49	Pwv	Vane Subgroup	Lidell
50	Pwv	Vane Subgroup	Lidell
51	Pwts	Saltwater Creek Formation	Lidell
52	Pmtb	Branxton Formation	Roxburgh
53	Pmtb	Branxton Formation	Roxburgh
54	Pgrr / Pmtb	Rowan Formation (near Branxton Formation)	Roxburgh

### Table 1: Summary of Brief Desktop Review (continued)

Notes to table: Where bores are mapped as being underlain by alluvium or in close proximity to alluvium they have been shaded as per alluvium

Neath	micaceous sandy siltstone, silty sandstone, mudstone and shale, sporadic thin limestone.
Rutherford Formation	siltstone, marl and minor sandstone.
Allandale Formation	conglomerate, lithic sandstone.
Lochinvar Formation	basalt, siltstone and sandstone.
Branxton Formation	conglomerate, sandstone and siltstone.
Saltwater Creek Formation	quartz-lithic sandstone, siltstone, tuffaceous claystone, thin coal piles.
Vane Subgroup	quart-lithic sandstone, laminated siltstone, carbonaceous claystone, tuffaceous claystone and mudstone, paraconglomerate, coal seams.
Jerrys Plains Subgroup	sandstone, lithic sandstone, mudstone, coal, carbonaceous claystone, siltstone and paraconglomerate.
Rowan Formation	sandstone, siltstone, claystone, coal and minor conglomerate.
Quaternary Alluvium	silty clay, lithic silt, quartz rich sand, gravel, sporadic palaeosol.

### The mapped geological units are characterised as follows:

The mapped soil landscape groups are noted as having the following limitations:



Neath	Undulating low rises and swamps, local relief is under 30 m, slopes up to 3%. Characteristics include very poorly drained, high flood hazard, low to moderate soil salinity, low to high erodibility, very high erosion hazard and nil mass movement hazard.
Branxton	Undulating rises to low hills and creek flats, slopes from 3 to 5%, local relief is 10 m to 40 m. Characteristics include imperfectly to moderately well drained, low flood hazard, low to high soil salinity, low to high erodibility, high erosion hazard and nil mass movement hazard.
Rothbury	Undulating low hills and undulating hills, slopes are 0 to 10%, local relief is 60 m to 120 m. Characteristics include hardsetting, low flood hazard, low soil salinity, low to moderate erodibility, high to very high erosion hazard and low mass movement hazard.
Hunter	Level plains and river terraces, slope are 0 to 3%, local relief is generally less than 10 m. Characteristics include imperfectly to moderately well drained, moderate flood hazard, low to moderate salinity, low to moderate erodibility, moderate to high erosion hazard and nil mass movement hazard.
Roxburgh	Undulating low hills, slopes are 0 to 10%, local relief is 60 m to 120 m. Characteristics include hardsetting, imperfectly to moderately well drained, low flood hazard, low soil salinity, low to moderate erodibility, moderate to very high erosion hazard and low mass movement hazard.
Bayswater	Undulating low hills, slopes are 3 to 10%, local relief is 40 m to 60 m. Characteristics include hardsetting, poorly to well drained, low to moderate flood hazard, low to high salinity, moderate to high erodibility, moderate to extreme erosion hazard and low mass movement hazard.
Lidell	Undulating low hills, slopes are 4 – 7%, local relief is 60 m to 120 m. Characteristics include hardsetting, low to moderate flood hazard, high soil salinity, moderate to high erodibility, high to very high erosion hazard, low mass movement hazard.

## 4. Field Work

## 4.1 **Field Work Methods**

The field work was undertaken during the period extending from 21 December 2023 to 17 July 2024 and consisted of intrusive drilling investigation by a combination of test bores drilled using a truck or track mounted drilling rig and cone penetration test (CPT), as summarised in Table 2.

## **Table 2: Summary of Investigation Methods**

Investigation Method	Locations
Cone Penetration Testing (CPT)	38, 39, 43, 45, 46 and 47
Bores	1 to 30, 31a, 32, 33c, 40 to 42, 44, 48 to 54

### Bores

The intrusive drilling investigation comprised the drilling of forty-four (44) boreholes. The bores were drilled to depths ranging from 1.4 m to 7.6 m.



The bores were drilled by either a track or truck mounted drilling rig using a combination of continuous flight augers, wash boring methods and NMLC diamond tipped coring equipment. Coring of the encountered bedrock was undertaken in some bores where shallow bedrock was encountered, after consultation with Ausgrid representatives.

The subsurface conditions encountered at the test locations were logged by a geotechnical engineer from Douglas, who also retrieved regular samples for identification and laboratory testing purposes. Pocket penetrometer testing was undertaken on soil samples at selected depths and locations. Standard penetration testing was undertaken in soils and Point Load Strength Index ( $I_{s(50)}$ ) tests were undertaken on recovered rock core.

Groundwater observations during auger drilling were noted on the bore logs. Where coring or wash boring was undertaken, drilling fluids prevented groundwater observations.

## Cone Penetration Testing

A number of the locations which were mapped as being within an alluvial soil profile were undertaken on 20 December 2023 and 21 December 2023 using cone penetration tests (CPT) methods. The CPTs were taken to depths ranging from 3.26 m to 10.1 m. CPT involves pushing a truck-mounted instrumented cone and friction sleeve assembly, of about 35 mm diameter, into the ground. A computerised data acquisition system records continuous data on soil type and strength.

## General

The bores and CPTs were drilled/undertaken at pole locations as nominated by the client. The bore/CPT positions, undertaken away from existing services, were marked in the field by Douglas using a differential GPS that is generally accurate to about  $\pm$  0.1 m. The coordinates are shown on the borehole logs and CPT plots.

The bore and CPT locations with respect to the corresponding structure number are presented in Table 2 in Section 4.2.

The test locations are shown on Drawings 1 to 37 in Appendix D. Key drawings (Drawings K1 to K4) are also included in Appendix D, which shows the location of the individual drawings relative to each other.

## 4.2 **Results**

Details of the conditions encountered in the boreholes are given in the log sheets which are included in Appendix B. These logs should be read in conjunction with the explanatory notes, which define the descriptive terms and classification methods.

The CPT plots are attached in Appendix B and should be read in conjunction with the preceding notes which explain the descriptive terms and classification methods.

The subsurface conditions encountered at the test locations have been broadly characterised into geotechnical units as follows:



- Fill Near surface fill was encountered at a number of locations and was generally less than 1 m in depth, and consisted of clay or silty soils. Some areas of gravel fill were also encountered. Areas of deeper fill, up to 2 m were encountered at some locations.
- Topsoil Generally sandy silt and clayey silt topsoil was encountered in a number of locations, and was generally less than 0.3 m depth.
- Alluvial Sand
   Generally medium dense to dense, although some zones of loose and very dense. Some near surface cemented sand layers were also encountered at some locations.
- Alluvial Clay Generally very stiff to hard (occasionally stiff) clay, sandy clay or silty clay in limited locations.
- Residual Clay Very stiff to hard silty clay, sandy clay, clay and gravelly clay with varying proportions of gravel and sand. Occasionally, stiff to very stiff layers were encountered.
- Residual Soil (extremely weathered bedrock) Generally characterised by hard clay or sandy clay, which has been weathered from the underlying bedrock but has strength consistent with soil.
- Bedrock Typically coal measures sedimentary rock consisting of coal, sandstone, siltstone and claystone but volcanics (basalt) was also encountered at Bores BHI0 and BHI1 associated with the Lochinvar Formation. Where coring was not undertaken the strength of the bedrock was estimated from resistance to the auger string. Where penetration using a TC bit was achievable the rock is likely to be of very low to low strength, although this cannot be confirmed without retrieval of rock core. Within the bores which were continued using coring techniques, the rock strength ranged from very low to very high. Reference should be made to the logs for each location for more detail.

A summary of the subsurface conditions encountered during the investigation is presented in Table 3.



## **Table 3: Summary of Subsurface Conditions**

Borehole Number / Structure Number		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Easting	359452	359162	358181	356953	356511	356228	355348	354670	353315	351791	350659	349938	349314	348261	347589
	Northing	6369180	6369316	6369733	6370773	6371102	6371481	6372522	6373322	6374258	6375028	6375603	6376180	6377696	6380727	6382209
Surfa	ce Elevation (AHD)	16.6	14.6	17.5	14.2	31.0	16.9	55.3	32.5	57.0	58.8	103.9	91.7	131.3	76.8	58.4
М	lapped Geology	Pdaf	Pdafr	Pdar	Pdar	Pdar	Q_av	Pdar	Pdar	Pdaa	Pdal	Pdal	Pdar	Pdar	Pdaf	Pmtb
Interpre	eted Alluvial / Residual	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Res	Alv
Unit	Material type		_					Depth Ra	nge (m)							
Unquitable Soils	Topsoil	-	-	-	0.0 – 0.1	-	-	-	-	-	0.0 - 0.2	-	0.0 - 0.2	-	-	-
Unsuitable Solis	Colluvial Clay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0 - 0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Special Soils (Cu<25kPa)	FILL	0.0 - 0.2	0.0 - 1.5	0.0 - 0.5	-	0.0 - 1.3	0.0 - 1.3	-	0.0 - 0.4	-	-	0.0 - 0.6	-	0.0 - 0.2	-	-
Very Poor Soils (25kPa <cu<50kpa)< th=""><td>Alluvial Sand or Colluvial Sand</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>0.0 - 3.5</td></cu<50kpa)<>	Alluvial Sand or Colluvial Sand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0 - 3.5
Poor Soils (50kPa <cu<100kpa)< th=""><th>Stiff alluvial clay or stiff residual clay</th><th>0.2 - 1.2</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th></cu<100kpa)<>	Stiff alluvial clay or stiff residual clay	0.2 - 1.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Very stiff to hard residual Clay (some layers of silty sand) or very stiff to hard alluvial clay	1.2 - 5.11	1.5 - 5.0	0.5 - 5.3	0.1 - 5.90	1.3 - 3.0	1.3 - 5.0	0.0 - 0.5	0.4 - 4.0	0.2 - 5.0	0.2 - 0.5	-	0.2 - 2.5	0.2 - 1.8	0.0 - 6.0	-
Normal Soils (Cu>100kpa)	Clay Sandy Clay (extremely weathered bedrock)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.0 - 4.4	-	0.5 - 1.0	-	-	-	-	3.5 - 3.8
	Clayey Gravelly Sand or Silty Sand (extremely weathered rock)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.6 - 2.0	-	1.8 - 2.55	-	-
	Very Low Strength or Very Low to Low Strength	-	5.0 - 6.0	5.3 - 6.0	-	3.0 - 5.63	5.0 - 5.56	0.5 - 3.0	4.4 - 4.65	5.0 - 6.0	1.0 - 3.0	-	2.5 - 2.8	-	-	3.8 - 4.1
Rock	Low to Medium Strength	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.65 - 4.81	-	-	2.0 - 2.8	-	-	-	-
	High Strength or stronger	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Groundwater Observations		NFGWO	3.2	NFGWO	3.9	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	4.0	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO
Cored		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reason for Termination		TC bit	LOI	TC bit	TC bit	TC bit	SPT on inferred rock	LOI	LOI	LOI	TC bit	TC bit	TC bit	TC bit	LOI	SPT on inferred rock
Те	rmination Depth	5.11	6.00	6.00	5.90	5.63	5.56	3.00	4.81	6.00	3.00	2.80	2.80	2.55	6.00	4.10

Notes to table

NFGWO = No Free Groundwater Observed

Geology codes defined in Section 2.1

Obscured = Groundwater - = Not Encountered observations obscured by drilling fluids

Alv = alluvial Res = residual



## Table 3: Summary of Subsurface Conditions (continued)

Borehole Number / Structure Number		16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Easting	346921	345840	343308	341331	340014	338082	336058	335311	334580	334039	332021	329598	327952	327190	325151
I	Northing	6383862	6384575	6385172	6385057	6385241	6385778	6386011	6386366	6386714	6386979	6387273	6387883	6387898	6387845	6388029
Surface	Elevation (AHD)	48.1	35.1	28.5	52.5	82.7	45.3	97.2	66.2	62.6	81.5	39.1	106.5	70.7	99.7	114.3
Мар	ped Geology	Pmtb	Pmtb	Pmtb	Pmtm	Pmtm	Pmtb	Pmtb	Pmtm	Pmtm	Pmtm	Pmtm	Pmtm	Pmtm	Pmtm	Pmtm
Interpretec	Alluvial / Residual	Res	Res	Alv	Res	Res	Alv	Res	Res	Res	Res	Alv	Res	Alv	Res	Res
Unit	Material type															
Unsuitable Soils	ТорѕоіІ	0.0 - 0.1	-	-	0.0 - 0.1	-	-	0.0 - 0.1	0.0 - 0.1	0.0 - 0.1	-	-	0.0 - 0.1	-	0.0 - 0.1	-
Unsultable Sons	Colluvial Clay	-	-	-	0.1 - 0.3	-	0.0 - 0.2	0.1 - 0.3	-	0.1 - 0.3	-	-	-	0.6 - 3.5	-	-
Special Soils (Cu<25kPa)	FILL	-	0.0 - 0.3	-	-	0.0 - 0.2	-	-	-	-	0.0 - 0.6	-	-	0.0 - 0.6	-	0.0 - 0.3
Very Poor Soils (25kPa <cu<50kpa)< th=""><th>Alluvial Sand or Colluvial Sand</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>3.3 - 4.7</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>2.5 - 4.0</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>0.1 - 0.3</th><th>-</th></cu<50kpa)<>	Alluvial Sand or Colluvial Sand	-	-	3.3 - 4.7	-	-	2.5 - 4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1 - 0.3	-
Poor Soils (50kPa <cu<100kpa)< th=""><th>Stiff alluvial clay or stiff residual clay</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>1.9 - 3.3</th><th>0.3 – 2.0</th><th>-</th><th>0.2 - 2.5</th><th>-</th><th>0.1 - 0.3</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th></cu<100kpa)<>	Stiff alluvial clay or stiff residual clay	-	-	1.9 - 3.3	0.3 – 2.0	-	0.2 - 2.5	-	0.1 - 0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Very stiff to hard residual Clay (some layers of silty sand) or very stiff to hard alluvial clay	0.1 - 1.7	0.3 - 3.6	0.0 - 1.9	2.0 - 3.7	0.2 - 2.1	4.0 - 4.9	0.3 - 0.5	0.3 - 2.2	0.3 - 2.2	0.6 - 1.0	0.0 - 1.8	0.1 - 0.9	3.5 - 5.6	0.3 - 1.8	0.3 - 2.7
Normal Soils (Cu>100kpa)	Clay Sandy Clay (extremely weathered bedrock)	-	-	-	3.7 - 5.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.9 - 2.5	-	-	-
	Clayey Gravelly Sand or Silty Sand (extremely weathered rock)	1.7 - 2.1	-	-	-	2.1 - 2.52	-	0.5 - 1.86	-	-	-	-	-	5.6 - 6.0	1.8 - 2.5	-
	Very Low Strength or Very Low to Low Strength	2.1 - 2.5	-	-	5.2 - 5.53	-	-	-	2.2 - 5.02	2.2 - 2.65	1.0 - 1.4	-	4.8 - 5.19	-	-	2.7 - 4.48
Rock	Low to Medium Strength	2.5 - 6.4	-	-	-	-	-	1.86 - 2.0	5.02 - 6.5	2.65 - 5.3	-	-	2.5 - 4.8	-	2.5 - 3.6	4.48 - 6.1
	High Strength or stronger	-	-	4.7 - 7.16	-	-	-	2.0 - 6.45	-	5.3 - 6.5	-	-	5.19 - 6.8	-	3.6 - 6.4	-
Groundwa	ater Observations	NFGWO	NFGWO	4.5	NFGWO	NFGWO	4.1	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	4.7	NFGWO	NFGWO
	Cored	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.65 - 6.5	-	-	2.5 - 6.8	-	2.5 - 6.4	2.9 - 6.1
Reason for Termination		LOI	LOI	LOI	SPT refusal	SPT on inferred rock	SPT on inferred rock	TC bit	LOI	LOI	TC bit	Ref on hard object	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI
Termination Depth		6.40	3.60	7.16	5.53	2.52	4.90	6.45	6.50	6.50	1.40	1.80	6.80	6.00	6.40	6.10
Notes to table: NFGWO = No	<u> </u>	Geology co Section 2.1	des defined	d in	Obscured observatior	= G ns obscured	roundwater by drilling	L		- = Not Enco	ountered		L			

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## Table 3: Summary of Subsurface Conditions (continued)

Borehole Number / Structure Number		31A	32	33C	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47
	Easting	323734	0	321062	319090	318560	318525	319054	319754	319647	319278	319199	317856	317472
	Northing	6389236	0	6392182	6394481	6396366	6396773	6399252	6402230	6404879	6405750	6407571	6408781	6410222
Surface	Elevation (AHD)	45.2	0.0	50.8	53.4	51.2	52.3	92.4	65.4	57.5	104.1	67.2	72.4	79.2
Мар	ped Geology	Pmtb	Pwts	Q_av	Q_av	Q_av	CZ_athc	Pwv	Pwv	Q_av	Pwv	Q_av	Q_av	Q_av
Interpretec	d Alluvial / Residual	Res	Res	Res	Alv	Alv	Alv	Res	Alv/Res	Alv	Res	Alv	Alv	Alv
Unit	Material type													
Unsuitable Soils	Topsoil	-	-	0.0 - 0.2	-	-	0.0 - 0.1	0.0 - 0.1	0.0 - 0.1	-	0.0 - 0.1	-	-	-
Unsultable Solis	Colluvial Clay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1 - 0.8	-	-	-
Special Soils (Cu<25kPa)	FILL	0.0 - 0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Very Poor Soils (25kPa <cu<50kpa)< td=""><td>Alluvial Sand or Colluvial Sand</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>0.0 – 1.75</td><td>0.0 - 1.03 6.06 -7.06 7.99 - 10.10</td><td>0.1 - 0.3</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>0.0 – 6.82</td><td>-</td><td>0.0 – 4.3</td><td>0.0 – 3.26</td><td>0.0 -3.96</td></cu<50kpa)<>	Alluvial Sand or Colluvial Sand	-	-	-	0.0 – 1.75	0.0 - 1.03 6.06 -7.06 7.99 - 10.10	0.1 - 0.3	-	-	0.0 – 6.82	-	0.0 – 4.3	0.0 – 3.26	0.0 -3.96
Poor Soils (50kPa <cu<100kpa)< td=""><td>Stiff alluvial clay or stiff residual clay</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td></td><td></td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>0.1 - 2.2</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>-</td></cu<100kpa)<>	Stiff alluvial clay or stiff residual clay	-	-	-			-	-	0.1 - 2.2	-	-	-	-	-
	Very stiff to hard residual Clay (some layers of silty sand) or very stiff to hard alluvial clay	0.3 - 4.1	0.0 - 0.4	0.2 - 5.0	1.75 – 8.88	1.03 – 6.06 7.06 – 7.99	0.3 - 6.0	0.1 - 0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
(Cu>100kpa)	Clay Sandy Clay (extremely weathered bedrock)	4.1 - 5.7	0.4 - 1.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Clayey Gravelly Sand or Silty Sand (extremely weathered rock)	-	-	5.0 - 6.0	-	-	-	0.8 - 2.3	2.2 - 2.7	-	0.8 - 2.6	4.3 - 4.34	-	-
	Very Low Strength or Very Low to Low Strength	-	1.8 - 2.6	-	-	-	-	2.3 - 4.0 4.38 - 6.0	2.7 - 5.0	-	2.6 - 4.85	-	-	-
Rock	Low to Medium Strength	-	2.6 - 6.0	-	-	-	-	4.0 - 4.38	5.0 - 6.5	-	4.85 - 6.37	-	-	-
	High Strength or stronger	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Groundwater Observations		NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NJFGWO	7.2	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO
	Cored	-	2.5 - 6.0	-	-	-	-	4.0 - 6.0	-	-	2.6 - 6.37	-	-	-
Reason for Termination		LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI
Term	ination Depth	5.70	6.00	6.00	8.88	10.10	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.82	6.37	4.34	3.26	3.96

NFGWO = No Free Groundwater

Observed



## **Table 3: Summary of Subsurface Conditions**

Borehole Number / Structure Number		48	49	50	51	52	53	54
Easting		315622	314661	314100	312213	305846	305021	304184
Northing		6412380	6415043	6416551	6418412	6432372	6431724	6430929
Surface Elevation (m AHD)		104.1	120.0	142.2	129.5	210.4	231.4	176.0
	Mapped Geology	Pwj	Pwv	Pwv	Pwts	Pmtb	Pmtb	Pgrr
	nterpreted Alluvial / Residual	Res	Res	Fill/Res	Alv/Res	Res	Res	Res
Unit	Material type							
Uncuitable Soils	ТорѕоіІ	0.0 - 0.05	0.0 - 0.4	-	0.0 - 0.1	0.0 - 0.1	0.0 - 0.1	0.0 - 0.1
Unsuitable Sons	Colluvial Clay	-	-	-	0.1 - 2.2	-	-	-
Special Soils (Cu<25kPa)	FILL	-	-	0.0 - 5.7	-	-	-	-
Very Poor Soils (25kPa <cu<50kpa)< th=""><th>Alluvial Sand or Colluvial Sand</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>0.1 – 0.7</th><th>0.1 - 0.9</th><th>0.1 - 0.8</th></cu<50kpa)<>	Alluvial Sand or Colluvial Sand	-	-	-	-	0.1 – 0.7	0.1 - 0.9	0.1 - 0.8
Poor Soils (50kPa <cu<100kpa)< th=""><th>Stiff alluvial clay or stiff residual clay</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>-</th><th>4.6 - 6.0</th></cu<100kpa)<>	Stiff alluvial clay or stiff residual clay	-	-	-	-	-	-	4.6 - 6.0
Normal Soils (Cu>100kpa)	Very stiff to hard residual Clay (some layers of silty sand) or very stiff to hard alluvial clay	0.3 - 0.75	0.4 - 2.57	-	-	0.7 - 6.0	0.9 - 3.2	0.8 - 4.6
	Clay Sandy Clay (extremely weathered bedrock)	-	-	5.7 - 7.6	2.2 - 2.7	-	3.2 - 5.6	-
	Clayey Gravelly Sand or Silty Sand (extremely weathered rock)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Very Low Strength or Very Low to Low Strength	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rock	Low to Medium Strength	0.75 - 3.8	2.57 - 7.0	-	2.7 - 5.67	-	-	-
	High Strength or stronger	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Groundwater Observations		NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO
Cored		0.75 - 3.8	2.4 - 7.0	-	2.7 - 5.67	-	-	-
Reason for Termination		LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	LOI	SPT on inferred rock	LOI
Termination Depth		3.80	7.00	7.60	5.67	6.00	5.60	6.00

Notes to table

NFGWO = No Free Groundwater Observed



## 5. Laboratory Testing

## 5.1 Laboratory Methods

Laboratory testing was undertaken on a selection of samples of soil for aggressivity suite tests (pH, Electrical Conductivity, Chloride Ion Content, Sulphate Ion Content).



Bore	Depth (m)	Description	Soil Condition	pH (concrete)	pH (steel)	Resistivity(1) (Ω.cm) (steel)	SO4 (ppm) (concrete)	Cl (ppm) (steel)
3	1-1.45	Silty Clay - grey	В	5.4	5.4	14286	100	10
4	1-1.45	Clay - grey mottled orange	В	7.4	7.4	667	730	2200
8	2.5-2.95	Silty Clay - grey brown mottled orange	В	8.1	8.1	1563	270	690
11	1-1.45	Clayey Gravelly SAND - orange brown	В	8.9	8.9	6667	46	92
13	1-1.45	Silty Clay - brown mottled red	В	5.8	5.8	5263	170	54
15	0.4-0.5	Silty Sand - pale brown to pale orange	В	7.3	7.3	66667	<10	<10
17	0.5-0.8	Sandy Clay - brown	В	5.2	5.2	1220	650	990
19	0.5-0.8	Silty Clay - dark grey mottled orange	В	4.5	4.5	1316	540	750
21	0.4-0.6	Sandy Clay - pale brown	В	6.6	6.6	47619	<10	<10
23	0.5-0.8	Silty Clay - red	В	4.8	4.8	1852	450	500
27	0.5-0.8	Silty Sand - pale brown	В	6.6	6.6	1695	240	640
28	1-1.45	Silty Clay - brown mottled dark brown	В	8.0	8.0	1299	660	590
29	0.5-0.8	Silty Clay - brown	В	5.3	5.3	2778	240	290
30	1-1.3	Silty Clay - brown mottled orange	В	8.9	8.9	3030	130	190
31A	2.5 - 2.95	Clay - orange brown	В	7.6	7.6	1190	240	1100

#### Table 4: Results of Aggressivity Laboratory Testing

Notes to table



Non-aggressive Mildly aggressive Moderately aggressive Severely Aggressive Very Severe

#### NT = Not tested

1. Resistivity calculated based on inverse of conductivity in aqueous solution results Scale of aggressivity based on threshold values given in AS 2159 – 2009: Piling – Design and Installation



Bore	Depth (m)	Description	Soil Condition	pH (concrete)	pH (steel)	Resistivity(1) (Ω.cm) (steel)	SO4 (ppm) (concrete)	Cl (ppm) (steel)
33c	2.5-2.95	Silty Clay - red brown	В	8.6	8.6	1205	33	1000
40	0.5-0.8	Sandy Clay - dark grey	В	7.6	7.6	8333	20	92
41	1-1.26	Silty Sand - pale grey mottled orange	В	5.3	5.3	1887	130	690
42	0.5-0.8	Silty Clay - brown	В	8.6	8.6	1587	100	660
44	1-1.3	Silty Sand - pale brown	В	9.1	9.1	7692	21	20
48	0.5	Sandy Clay - brown	В	6.4	6.4	11628	79	24
49	1-1.45	Silty Clay - grey	В	9.0	9.0	6667	55	110
50	1-1.45	FILL / Silty Clay - grey	В	9.4	9.4	5882	84	50
50	3.5-3.95	FILL / Coal Wash - black	В	7.5	7.5	1515	67	720
51	0.5-0.8	Silty Clay - grey brown	В	6.9	6.9	625	370	2100
53	0.5-0.8	Silty Sand - grey brown	В	5.3	5.3	17857	50	29

### Table 4: Results of Aggressivity Laboratory Testing (continued)

Notes to table



Non-aggressive Mildly aggressive Moderately aggressive Severely Aggressive Very Severe

#### NT = Not tested

1. Resistivity calculated based on inverse of conductivity in aqueous solution results Scale of aggressivity based on threshold values given in AS 2159 – 2009: Piling – Design and Installation



## 6. Comments

### 6.1 General

To assist with design of the foundations, the subsurface conditions have been subdivided into soil and rock categories, as follows:

- Unsuitable soils colluvial soils or topsoil;
- Special soils (Cu < 25 kPa);
- Very poor soils (25 kPa < Cu < 50 kPa for cohesive soils or loose for non-cohesive soils);
- Poor soils (50 kPa < Cu < 100 kPa for cohesive soils or medium dense for non-cohesive soils);
- Normal soils (Cu >100 kPa for cohesive soils or dense or denser non-cohesive soils); and
- Rock:
- Very Low strength or very low to low strength;
- o Low to medium strength; and
- High strength or stronger.

It is noted that cohesionless soils, particularly if below the groundwater, are at risk of collapse within bored pile excavations and hence have also been classified as "Unsuitable Soils".

#### 6.2 **Expected Foundation Conditions**

Anticipated foundation conditions from available borehole data have been summarised in Table 3 in Section 4.2 above. The anticipated founding conditions for the towers are summarised in Table 5 below. These have been classified based on the conditions within the upper 2 m of the profile, noting that improved conditions are present at depths of greater than 2 m in a number of these locations. The remaining towers which are not listed in the table below encountered "normal" conditions.

Founding Condition	Locations
Unsuitable	51
Special	2, 5, 6, 50
Very Poor	18, 21, 38, 39, 43, 45,46, 47
Poor	1, 40, 42, 54

#### Table 5: Summary of Tower Foundation Conditions



### 6.3 Foundation Design Parameters

Geotechnical parameters for the preliminary design of pole or pile foundations are provided in Table 6 to Table 8 for the range of soils and rocks encountered. It is understood that final design of the foundations will occur during boring at each pole location. Note that the suggested parameters are presented for various soil/rock strengths rather than for each geological sector as there is likely to be a range of materials present within each sector.

It is recommended that additional geotechnical advice should be obtained for any non-specified Ausgrid structures along the route (eg any structures other than the transmission line poles) to confirm the appropriateness of any design parameters given herein.

The parameters presented in this section are typical values only and more detailed analysis may be required where adverse or different conditions are encountered.

## 6.3.1 Material and Strength Properties for Design

Table 6 outlines the generalised material and strength properties for the different types of soil and rock that were encountered along the alignment.



## Table 6: Suggested Material and Strength Parameters

Material	Unit Weight (kN/m³)	Cohesion, c' (kPa)	Drained Angle of Friction, Φ' (degrees)	Undrained Shear Strength, cu (kPa)		
Sand / Gravel						
- Medium Dense	17-20	0	32-36	0		
- Dense	17-22	0	33-40 <sup>(1)</sup>	0		
		Clay				
- Soft; "Special"	17-19	0	22-25	12-25		
- Firm "Very Poor"	17-20	0-2	22-26	25-50		
- Stiff "Poor"	18-21	2-4	24-28	50-100		
- Very stiff "Normal"	19-22	4-7	25-29	100-200		
- Hard including extremely weathered bedrock "Normal"	20-23	5-8	26-30	200-400		
Volcanic / Sedimentary Rock						
- Very low strength	21-24	-	-	-		
- Low strength	22-24	-	-			
- Medium strength	23-25	-	-			
- High strength	24-26	-	-	-		

Notes to table:

 Douglas recommends a maximum Drained Angle of Friction of 36° for shaft resistance calculations in dense gravels and the lower bound values defines for medium dense where the unit contains layer of loose sand

Some comments on the applicability of the above material and strength parameters for various loading conditions is given in the following sections, together with design parameters specific to axial and lateral load cases.



## 6.3.2 Foundation Design

## 6.3.2.1 **General**

The design of pole foundations for transmission lines, from a geotechnical perspective, is typically governed by lateral loading (and moment) considerations.

Where the design of non-standard foundations is required, or where analysis and design will be carried out from 'first principles', it should be carried out in accordance with the relevant Australian Standards. In particular, pole foundation design should meet the requirement of the Piling Standard, (AS 2159, 2009).

With respect to AS2159-2009, the design geotechnical strength of a pile ( $R_{d,g}$ ) is the ultimate geotechnical strength ( $R_{d,ug}$ ) multiplied by the geotechnical strength reduction factor ( $\Phi_g$ ), such that:

$$R_{d,g} = \Phi_g \cdot R_{d,ug}$$

The calculated value  $R_{d,g}$  must equal or exceed the structural design action effect (E<sub>d</sub>).

Selection of the geotechnical strength reduction factor ( $\Phi_g$ ) is based on a series of individual risk ratings (IRRs) which are weighted and lead to an average risk rating (ARR). The individual risk ratings and final value of the basic geotechnical strength reduction factor ( $\Phi_{gb}$ ) depend on the following factors:

- Site: the type, quantity and quality of testing;
- Design: design methods and parameter selection;
- Installation: construction control and monitoring;
- Pile testing regime: testing benefit factor based on percentage of piles tested and the type of testing; and
- Redundancy whether other piles can take up load if a given pile settles or fails.

As per Clause 8.2.4(c)(i) of AS2159-2009, pile testing is generally required where  $\Phi_g$  is greater than 0.4 and ARR is 2.5 or greater. On this basis, Douglas recommends a  $\Phi_g$  of 0.4 be adopted for design based on a low redundancy category, which would generally be appropriate for isolated pole foundations where relatively poor construction control often occurs.

It is Douglas's experience that transmission line foundations are commonly poured several days after they are drilled, at which time debris and seepage water have affected the integrity of the base and sidewalls of the pile/pole hole. The redundancy category could be reassessed by the structural engineer for more detailed design, if for example, a pile group is adopted.



The above recommendation assumes no static or high-strain dynamic testing of installed piles/pole foundations is undertaken, in which case  $\Phi_g$  is taken as  $\Phi_{gb}$  (i.e.  $\Phi_g - \Phi_{gb}$ ). The  $\Phi_g$  value could be increased if static or high-strain dynamic testing is carried out on a proportion of piles (the higher the proportion of piles tested, the higher  $\Phi_g$  becomes). The value of testing would depend on a cost benefit analysis that compares the cost of testing to the potential savings in pile installation.

It is noted that integrity testing of cast-in-place piles does not improve the geotechnical strength reduction factor ( $\Phi_g$ ). However, Table 8.2.4(B) of AS2159-2009 requires that 5% to 15% of piles are subject to integrity testing if the adopted  $\Phi_g$  exceeds 0.4 and the ARR is greater than 2.5, where the design is governed by geotechnical capacity. Furthermore, if at least 5% of piles are integrity tested, the maximum concrete placement factor (k=1) may be adopted in accordance with Table 5.3.2 of the piling standard.

## 6.3.2.2 Axial Loading

The design of bored pole / pile foundations for axial compression loading may be based on the maximum Limit State Design and modulus parameters given in Table 7 below.



## Table 7: Pile Design Parameters for Axial Loading

	Limit State Design Values				
Material	Ultimate End Bearing <sup>(1)(2</sup> ) (kPa)	Ultimate Shaft Adhesion <sup>(1)(3)</sup> (kPa)	Range of Young's Modulus <sup>(4)</sup> Ev (MPa)		
Sand / Gravel					
-Medium Dense	2000	25	20-50		
-Dense	4000	50	40-80		
Clay					
- Soft; "Special"	60 - 200 <sup>(5)</sup>	5-10	2 - 4		
- Firm "Very Poor"	200 - 400	10 - 20	4 - 20		
- Stiff "Poor"	400 - 800	20 - 40	8 - 40		
- Very stiff "Normal"	800 - 1,500	40 - 60	16 - 80		
-hard including extremely weathered rock "Normal"	1,500 - 3,000	60 - 80	32 - 160		
Volcanic / Sedimentary R	ock				
-Very low strength	3,000 - 6,000	100 - 150	100 - 300		
-Low strength	6,000 - 20,000	300 - 600	200 - 600		
-Medium strength	20,000 - 40,000	800 - 1,200	500 - 2,000		
-High strength	40,000 - 80,000	1,500 - 2,500	2,000 - 4,000		

Notes to table:

1- Bearing pressure values assume a minimum embedment of one pile diameter into the relevant bearing stratum, with an overall foundation length of at least four pile diameters for soils.

2 - Ultimate end bearing parameters mobilized at large settlements (i.e. >5% of pile diameter).

- 3 All shaft adhesion parameters are based on adequately clean and rough sockets of category "R2", or better.
- 4 A range of values has been given for (vertical) Young's modulus (E<sub>v</sub>), based on the range of strength appropriate for each defined material and also based on typical published correlations, as described below.
- 5 Consolidation settlement and creep must be taken into account, Douglas recommends against founding in these soils.



A relatively wide range of (vertical) Young's modulus ( $E_v$ ) values is given for the respective materials listed in Table 7. For cohesive (i.e. clay) soil materials, the following correlation between undrained shear strength (Cu) and  $E_v$  was adopted:

For rock materials, the principal factors that influence the rock mass modulus are the in-situ stresses, the intact (or rock substance) uniaxial compressive strength (UCS) and the degree of fracturing or defects, as expressed by the RQD or Geotechnical Strength Index (GSI). There are several published correlations available that reflect the dependence of the rock mass modulus  $(E_m)$  on UCS (or q<sub>u</sub>) and the degree of fracturing, such as that of Hoek et al. (2002), viz:

 $E_m = 0.1 q_u^{0.5} \times 10^{[(GSI - 10)/40]}$ 

where GSI = Geotechnical Strength Index

In selecting a modulus value for the analysis of pole foundations (in rock), reference should be made to the degree of fracturing and defects indicated by any nearby boreholes. For example, the rock encountered in Bores 30, 41, 42, 44, 48 encountered generally very low to low strength rock with a low RQD of generally ranging from about 0% to 50%, but also significant sections of up to 90%. Therefore, a modulus value towards the lower to middle range would generally be appropriate here. Other bores, including Bores 16, 18 and 22 with an RQD generally ranging from about 80% to 100%. It is also noted that the degree of fracturing (RQD) is generally not able to be determined from the pile/hole boring (i.e. drilling) operation. From this perspective it is considered that unless nearby borehole information to the contrary is available, it should be assumed that the rock could be relatively fractured, with an RQD of not more than about 30% to 40%, and therefore adopting a lower modulus value.

Another important factor in the selection of modulus values is the duration and nature of loading. It is understood that the "governing" load case for transmission line foundations is often the 1 in 1000 year wind load that has a "maximum three seconds duration". The duration and frequency of this load would, on face value, suggest that a modulus value tending towards the upper end of the range would generally be appropriate. The cyclic nature of wind loading, however, is such that a cumulative degradation of the initial stiffness (or modulus) is known to occur. Therefore, due caution should be given to selecting higher moduli for short-term, infrequent wind loading cases.

The foundation design parameters presented in Table 7 assume that pole hole excavations are clean at the base and free of loose debris, with pile sockets (i.e. shafts) free of smear and adequately rough ("R2") prior to concrete placement, as defined in Pells et al (1998).

The above shaft adhesion parameters may be adopted for axial compression loading. For uplift or tension loading, 70% of the above shaft adhesion parameters may be adopted for design purposes. The rationale behind the reduction in shaft adhesion for uplift has both a technical and logical basis. The following researchers have advised that a reduction in shaft adhesion should apply for uplift loading due to the "Poisson's Effect" and other reasons; Jardine et al (2005), O'Neill (2001), Poulos et al (2002) and DeNicola and Randolph (1993).



Fellenius (1998) recommended a reduction in shaft adhesion for uplift loading on the grounds of logical consequence by noting that, "If the capacity of a pile would be exceeded in compression loading, the result would normally show up as excessive differential settlement, crack development, and other undesirables affecting the serviceability of the structure. In contrast, exceeding the capacity of a pile in uplift could result in large continuing movements and ultimately collapse of a foundation".

Douglas considers that the reduction factor (for shaft adhesion) is also prudent on the basis of the likelihood that less than optimal construction standards will apply to the pole foundations, with some remnant sidewall smear likely to compromise the available shaft adhesion.

In addition to traditional 'piston pull-out' or sidewall slip failure mechanisms, the uplift capacity should be checked for 'cone pull-out' failure modes. This should be based on an assumed cone angle of 70° considering the submerged weight of the soil or rock and adopting a factor of safety of 1 against 'cone pull-out'.

The modulus values given in Table 7 are appropriate for the anticipated strains expected under serviceability loading. Non-linear effects should be considered depending on the operating stress levels.

## 6.3.2.3 Lateral Loading

The design of pole foundations for lateral loading (and moments) should be based on appropriate design methods such as that described by either Brinch Hansen (1961) or Broms (1964) for determination of the ultimate lateral resistance. For pole foundations in soil, the strength parameters given in Table 6 may be adopted for assessment of ultimate lateral resistance. For poles socketed into rock, however, the ultimate limiting pressures given in Table 8, below, may be adopted for design purposes.

The choice of each parameter or limiting pressure within the given ranges will depend on the actual material strength, in-situ stress levels, the nature and duration of loading and for rock, the degree of fracturing. Reference should be made to the discussion of these aspects given in the previous section.

With respect to serviceability, the deflection performance of pole foundations may be estimated using the Young's modulus values for lateral loadings ( $E_h$ ) given in Table 8, together with typical values of the lateral modulus of subgrade reaction ( $K_h$ ).



## Table 8: Pile Design Parameters for Lateral Loading

Material	Range of Young's Modulus Eh (MPa)	Horizontal Modulus of Subgrade Reaction, Kh (kPa/mm) with diameter, d, in mm <sup>(3)</sup>	Ultimate Lateral Limiting Pressure <sup>(4)</sup> (kPa)	
Sand / Gravel				
-Medium Dense	10-25	(4,000-6,000) / d	Kp = 3.2 to 3.8 <sup>4</sup>	
-Dense	20-40	(6,000-12,000) / d	Kp = 3.3 to 4.6 <sup>4</sup>	
Clay <sup>(1)</sup>				
- Soft; "Special"	1 – 3	_ (5)	_(4)	
- Firm "Very Poor"	2 – 10	(2,000 – 4,500) / d	_(4)	
- Stiff "Poor"	4 – 20	(4,000 – 9,000) / d	_(4)	
- Very stiff "Normal"	8 - 40	(10,000 – 30,000) / d	_(4)	
-hard including extremely weathered rock "Normal"	16 – 80	(20,000 – 60,000) / d	_(4)	
Volcanic / Sedimentary Ro	ock <sup>(2)</sup>			
-Very low strength	50 – 150	(40,000 – 130,000) / d	2,000 – 3,000	
-Low strength	100 – 300	(80,000 – 240,000) / d	4,000 – 10,000	
-Medium strength 250 – 1,000		(200,000 – 450,000) / d	20,000 - 40,000	
-High strength	1,000 – 2,000	(500,000 – 1,000,000) / d	40,000 - 60,000	

Notes to table:

- 1 For soil, the above modulus values are valid for a typical range of operating strains (i.e., ≤1% strain) and within the elastic stress range; no effect of pile interaction is taken in to account and larger modulus values may be appropriate for small strain circumstances (e.g. dynamic or earthquake loading).
- 2 For the rock, modulus values only applicable over linear elastic range with maximum strain of 1% and should only be used when there is no interaction between piles.
- 3 Based on published correlations for uniform isotropic material.

4 - Ultimate lateral resistance (Pp) for soils may be estimated on the basis of the strength parameters given in Table 6. For piles in clay adopt Pp = 2.cu at the surface increasing to 9.cu at four pile diameters where the ultimate strength remains at 9.cu. For piles in sand, adopt the ultimate passive resistance (Pp) as 3Kp x overburden stress, where Kp is the passive resistance for the nominated sand unit.

5 – Ignore in calculations.

6. - Where the soil layer contains layers of loose sand, the lower bound values for medium dense sand should be adopted.



The use of modulus of subgrade reaction, ks (vertical) is not appropriate for pile design.

It should be noted that the above stiffness parameters are for a uniform, isotropic strata with no trenches or steep slopes nearby. In cohesive soils (and rock) the stiffness may be assumed as constant (i.e. uniform with depth).

## 6.4 **Design and Construction Considerations**

## 6.4.1 Bedrock Excavatability

Bedrock was encountered within the upper 3 m of the profile within a number of bores (Bores 7, 10, 12, 16, 23, 24, 25, 30. 32, 41, 42, 44, 48, 49 and 51. and ranged from very low strength to high strength.

It is possible that pile rig refusal could be encountered within medium strength or stronger rock with a lower rate of production in the low strength rock. Excavatability is also dependent on rock jointing (RQD). Fracture spacing within the rock, where coring was undertaken, was generally between 0.01 m to 0.5 m, which may assist in excavatability, although some bores returned higher RQD (Bores 16, 18 and 22 for instance).

If bedrock prevents the adequate penetration of auger boring equipment, then it may be necessary to use hydraulic or pneumatic rock breaking equipment (e.g. 'down the hole' piling hammers) to continue the hole to the required depth.

Contractors should be responsible for the correct selection of piling rig and equipment for production / penetration rates.

## 6.4.2 Groundwater and Collapsing Soils

For the majority of bores the groundwater table is expected to below the founding depth of the poles, with the possible exception of the following:

- Bore 2 where groundwater was encountered at about 3.2 m depth in residual soils;
- Bore 4. where groundwater was encountered at about 3.9 m depth in residual soils;
- Bore 8, where groundwater was encountered at about 4.0 m depth in residual soils;
- Bore 18, where groundwater was encountered at about 4.5 m depth in alluvial sand;
- Bore 21, where groundwater was encountered at about 4.1 m depth in alluvial clay;
- Bore 28, where groundwater was encountered at about 4.1 m depth in alluvial clay; and
- CPT 39, where groundwater was encountered at 7.2 m depth in alluvial sand.

In areas of shallow groundwater, and "very poor soils" such as firm clays, or "unsuitable soils", uncased bored piles are not recommended.



Particular care should be taken in respect to site drainage conditions. Where soils become inundated due to changes in site drainage, it can lead to softening of soils and a loss of strength. This could compromise the stability of the as-designed poles or lead to unacceptable deflections or tilting of the poles.

## 6.4.3 **Construction Access**

Based on the trafficability of our equipment during investigation, the ground surface is not expected to cause significant access restraints for construction vehicles. However, particular areas which could be subject to poor ground conditions following wet weather include areas where 'very poor' soils were encountered (Bores 2, 5, 15, 16, 21, 28 and 50) and in the areas mapped as alluvial soils.

Temporary access roads could be constructed from granular material such as select material (crushed rock), ballast (or similar igneous rock) and/or crushed recycled concrete.

Where excessively wet zones or poor subgrades are encountered during construction (for example near low lying swamp areas, gullies and creek crossings etc.) specific geotechnical design of temporary access pavements using rock materials in-conjunction with geofabrics and geotextiles is recommended.

Where cranes, piling rigs or similar highly loaded machinery are used during construction, specific geotechnical hardstand support design parameters and bearing capacity estimates by this office is recommended.

Contractors should be responsible for selecting equipment based on equipment capabilities, together with the anticipated conditions in terms of site access.

## 6.5 Soil Aggressivity

The assessment of soil aggressivity has been made with reference to the requirements for concrete and steel piles presented in AS 2159 (2009).

Based on the geo-chemical soil tests listed in Table 4 in Section 5 and with reference to the requirements for concrete and steel piles presented in AS 2159 (2009), the following exposure classifications are suggested in Table 9.



### Table 9: Results of Aggressivity Laboratory Testing

Bore	Steel Elements	Concrete Elements		
3	Non Aggressive	Mildly Aggressive		
4	Moderately Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
8	Mildly Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
11	Non Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
13	Non Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
15	Non Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
17	Mildly Aggressive	Mildly Aggressive		
19	Mildly Aggressive	Moderately Aggressive		
21	Non Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
23	Mildly Aggressive	Mildly Aggressive		
27	Mildly Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
28	Mildly Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
29	Non Aggressive	Mildly Aggressive		
30	Non Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
31A	Mildly Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
33c	Mildly Aggressive	Mildly Aggressive		
40	Non Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
41	Mildly Aggressive	Mildly Aggressive		
42	Mildly Aggressive	Mildly Aggressive		
44	Non Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
48	Non Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
49	Non Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
50	Non Aggressive	Mildly Aggressive		
50	Mildly Aggressive	Moderately Aggressive		
51	Moderately Aggressive	Non Aggressive		
53	Non Aggressive	Mildly Aggressive		

Notes to table:



Moderately aggressive Severely Aggressive

All buried concrete structures should be suitably protected against decay or corrosion, taking into account the subsurface conditions and water table fluctuations.

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## 8. Limitations

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The assessment of atypical safety hazards arising from this advice is restricted to the geotechnical components set out in this report and based on known project conditions and stated design advice and assumptions. While some recommendations for safe controls may be provided, detailed 'safety in design' assessment is outside the current scope of this report and requires additional project data and assessment.



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# Appendix A

About this Report

Terminology, Symbols and Abbreviations

Soil Descriptions

Rock Descriptions

Sampling, Testing and Excavation Methodology

Cone-Penetration Testing
#### Introduction

These notes have been provided to amplify DP's report in regard to classification methods, field procedures and the comments section. Not all are necessarily relevant to all reports.

DP's reports are based on information gained from limited subsurface excavations and sampling, supplemented by knowledge of local geology and experience. For this reason, they must be regarded as interpretive rather than factual documents, limited to some extent by the scope of information on which they rely.

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The borehole and test pit logs presented in this report are an engineering and/or geological interpretation of the subsurface conditions, and their reliability will depend to some extent on frequency of sampling and the method of drilling or excavation. Ideally, continuous undisturbed sampling or core drilling will provide the most reliable assessment, but this is not always practicable or possible to justify on economic grounds. In any case the boreholes and test pits represent only a very small sample of the total subsurface profile.

Interpretation of the information and its application to design and construction should therefore take into account the spacing of boreholes or pits, the frequency of sampling, and the possibility of other than 'straight line' variations between the test locations.

#### Groundwater

Where groundwater levels are measured in boreholes there are several potential problems, namely:

- In low permeability soils groundwater may enter the hole very slowly or perhaps not at all during the time the hole is left open;
- A localised, perched water table may lead to an erroneous indication of the true water table;
- Water table levels will vary from time to time with seasons or recent weather changes. They may not be the same at

the time of construction as are indicated in the report; and

• The use of water or mud as a drilling fluid will mask any groundwater inflow. Water has to be blown out of the hole and drilling mud must first be washed out of the hole if water measurements are to be made.

More reliable measurements can be made by installing standpipes which are read at intervals over several days, or perhaps weeks for low permeability soils. Piezometers, sealed in a particular stratum, may be advisable in low permeability soils or where there may be interference from a perched water table.

#### Reports

The report has been prepared by qualified personnel, is based on the information obtained from field and laboratory testing, and has been undertaken to current engineering standards of interpretation and analysis. Where the report has been prepared for a specific design proposal, the information and interpretation may not be relevant if the design proposal is changed. If this happens, DP will be pleased to review the report and the sufficiency of the investigation work.

Every care is taken with the report as it relates to interpretation of subsurface conditions, discussion of geotechnical and environmental aspects, and recommendations or suggestions for design and construction. However, DP cannot always anticipate or assume responsibility for:

- Unexpected variations in ground conditions. The potential for this will depend partly on borehole or pit spacing and sampling frequency;
- Changes in policy or interpretations of policy by statutory authorities; or
- The actions of contractors responding to commercial pressures.

If these occur, DP will be pleased to assist with investigations or advice to resolve the matter.

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### **About this Report**

#### **Site Anomalies**

In the event that conditions encountered on site during construction appear to vary from those which were expected from the information contained in the report, DP requests that it be immediately notified. Most problems are much more readily resolved when conditions are exposed rather than at some later stage, well after the event.

#### Information for Contractual Purposes

Where information obtained from this report is provided for tendering purposes, it is recommended that all information, including the written report and discussion, be made available. In circumstances where the discussion or comments section is not relevant to the contractual situation, it may be appropriate to prepare a specially edited document. DP would be pleased to assist in this regard and/or to make additional report copies available for contract purposes at a nominal charge.

#### Site Inspection

The company will always be pleased to provide engineering inspection services for geotechnical and environmental aspects of work to which this report is related. This could range from a site visit to confirm that conditions exposed are as expected, to full time engineering presence on site.

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### **Terminology, Symbols and Abbreviations**



#### Introduction to Terminology, Symbols and Abbreviations

Douglas Partners' reports, investigation logs, and other correspondence may use terminology which has quantitative or qualitative connotations. To remove ambiguity or uncertainty surrounding the use of such terms, the following sets of notes pages may be attached Douglas Partners' reports, depending on the work performed and conditions encountered:

- Soil Descriptions;
- Rock Descriptions; and
- Sampling, insitu testing, and drilling methodologies

In addition to these pages, the following notes generally apply to most documents.

#### Abbreviation Codes

Site conditions may also be presented in a number of different formats, such as investigation logs, field mapping, or as a written summary. In some of these formats textual or symbolic terminology may be presented using textual abbreviation codes or graphic symbols, and, where commonly used, these are listed alongside the terminology definition. For ease of identification in these note pages, textual codes are presented in these notes in the following style XW. Code usage conforms with the following guidelines:

- Textual codes are case insensitive, although herein they are generally presented in upper case; and
- Textual codes are contextual (i.e. the same or similar combinations of characters may be used in different contexts with different meanings (for example `PL` is used for plastic limit in the context of soil moisture condition, as well as in `PL(A)` for point load test result in the testing results column)).

#### Data Integrity Codes

Subsurface investigation data recorded by Douglas Partners is generally managed in a highly structured database environment, where records "span" between a top and bottom depth interval. Depth interval "gaps" between records are considered to introduce ambiguity, and, where appropriate, our practice guidelines may require contiguous data sets. Recording meaningful data is not always appropriate (for example assigning a "strength" to a concrete pavement) and the following codes may be used to maintain contiguity in such circumstances.

Term	Description	Abbreviatio
		n Code
Core loss	No core recovery	KL
Unknown	Information was not available to allow classification of the	) UK
	property. For example, when auguring in loose, saturated sand	
	auger cuttings may not be returned.	
No data	Information required to allow classification of the property was	ND
	not available. For example, if drilling is commenced from the	
	base of a hole predrilled by others	
Not Applicable	Derivation of the properties not appropriate or beyond the	NA
	scope of the investigation. For example, providing a description	
	of the strength of a concrete pavement	

#### Graphic Symbols

Douglas Partners' logs contain a "graphic" column which provides a pictorial representation of the basic composition of the material. The symbols used are directly representing the material name stated in the adjacent "Description of Strata" column, and as such no specific graphic symbology legend has been provided in these notes.

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#### Introduction

All materials which are not considered to be "in-situ rock" are described in general accordance with the soil description model of AS 1726-2017 Part 6.1.3, and can be broken down into the following description structure:



The "classification" comprises a two character "group symbol" providing a general summary of dominant soil characteristics. The "name" summarises the particle sizes within the soil which most influence its behaviour. The detailed description presents more information about composition, condition, structure, and origin of the soil.

Classification, naming and description of soils require the relative proportion of particles of different sizes within the whole soil mixture to be considered.

Particle size designation and Behaviour Model

Solid particles within a soil are differentiated on the basis of size.

The engineering behaviour properties of a soil can subsequently be modelled to be either "fine grained" (also known as "cohesive" behaviour) or "coarse grained" ("non cohesive" behaviour), depending on the relative proportion of fine or coarse fractions in the soil mixture.

Particle Size	Particle	Behavi	our Model	
Designation	Size	Behaviour	Approximate	
	(mm)		Dry Mass	
Boulder	>200	Excluded fro	om particle	
Cobble	63 - 200	behaviour model as		
		"oversize"		
Gravel <sup>1</sup>	2.36 - 63	Caaraa		
Sand <sup>1</sup>	0.075 - 2.36	Coarse	202%	
Silt	0.002 - 0.075	Fine	>75%	
Clay	<0.002			
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- refer grain size subdivision descriptions below

The behaviour model boundaries defined above are not precise, and the material behaviour should be assumed from the name given to the material (which considers the particle fraction which dominates the behaviour, refer "component proportions" below), rather than strict observance of the proportions of particle sizes. For example, if a material is named a "Sandy CLAY", this is indicative that the material exhibits fine grained behaviour, even if the dry mass of coarse grained material may exceed 65%.

#### Component proportions

The relative proportion of the dry mass of each particle size fraction is assessed to be a "primary", "secondary", or "minor" component of the soil mixture, depending on its influence over the soil behaviour.

Component	Definition <sup>1</sup>	Relative Proportion		
Proportion Designation		In Fine Grained Soil	In Coarse Grained Soil	
Primary	The component (particle size designation, refer above) which dominates the engineering behaviour of the soil	The clay/silt component with the greater proportion	The sand/gravel component with the greater proportion	
Secondary	Any component which is not the primary, but is significant to the engineering properties of the soil	Any component with greater than 30% proportion	Any granular component with greater than 30%; or Any fine component with greater than 12%	
Minor <sup>2</sup>	Present in the soil, but not significant to its engineering properties	All other components	All other components	

<sup>1</sup> As defined in AS1726-2017 6.1.4.4

<sup>2</sup> In the detailed material description, minor components are split into two further sub-categories. Refer "identification of minor components" below.

#### Composite Materials

In certain situations, a lithology description may describe more than one material, for example, collectively describing a layer of interbedded sand and clay. In such a scenario, the two materials would be described independently, with the names preceded or followed by a statement describing the arrangement by which the materials co-exist. For example, "INTERBEDDED Silty CLAY AND SAND".



### **Soil Descriptions**

#### Classification

The soil classification comprises a two character group symbol. The first character identifies the primary component. The second character identifies either the grading or presence of fines in a coarse grained soil, or the plasticity in a fine grained soil. Refer ASI726-2017 6.1.6 for further clarification.

#### Soil Name

For most soils, the name is derived with the primary component included as the noun (in upper case), preceded by any secondary components stated in an adjective form. In this way, the soil name also describes the general composition and indicates the dominant behaviour of the material.

Component Prominence in Soil Nam	
Primary	Noun (eg "CLAY")
Secondary	Adjective modifier (eg "Sandy")
Minor	No influence

<sup>1</sup> – for determination of component proportions, refer component proportions on previous page

For materials which cannot be disaggregated, or which are not comprised of rock or mineral fragments, the names "ORGANIC MATTER" or "ARTIFICIAL MATERIAL" may be used, in accordance with AS1726-2017 Table 14.

Commercial or colloquial names are not used for the soil name where a component derived name is possible (for example "Gravelly SAND" rather than "CRACKER DUST").

Materials of "fill" or "topsoil" origin are generally assigned a name derived from the primary/secondary component (where appropriate). In log descriptions this is preceded by uppercase "FILL" or "TOPSOIL". Origin uncertainty is indicated in the description by the characters (?), with the degree of uncertainty described (using the terms "probably" or "possibly" in the origin column, or at the end of the description).

#### Identification of minor components

Minor components are identified in the soil description immediately following the soil name. The minor component fraction is usually preceded with a term indicating the relative proportion of the component.

Minor Component	Relative Proportion		
Proportion Term	In Fine Grained Soil In Coarse Grained Soil		
With	All fractions: 15-30%	Clay/silt: 5-12%	
		sand/gravel: 15-30%	
Trace	All fractions: 0-15%	Clay/silt: 0-5%	
		sand/gravel: 0-15%	

The terms "with" and "trace" generally apply only to gravel or fine particle fractions. Where cobbles/boulders are encountered in minor proportions (generally less than about 12%) the term "occasional" may be used. This term describes the sporadic distribution of the material within the confines of the investigation excavation only, and there may be considerable variation in proportion over a wider area which is difficult to factually characterise due to the relative size of the particles and the investigation methods.

#### Soil Composition

<u>Plasticity</u>			<u>Grain Siz</u>	<u>e</u>		
Descriptive	Laboratory liq	uid limit range		Туре		Particle size (mm)
Term	Silt	Clay	Gravel	Coarse		19 - 63
Non-plastic	Not applicable	Not applicable		Mediur	n	6.7 - 19
materials				Fine		2.36 – 6.7
Low	≤50	≤35	Sand	Coarse		0.6 - 2.36
plasticity				Mediur	n	0.21 - 0.6
Medium	Not applicable	>35 and ≤50		Fine		0.075 - 0.21
plasticity						
High	>50	>50	Grading			
plasticity			Gradin	g Term		Particle size (mm)
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Note, Plasticity descriptions generally describe the plasticity behaviour of the whole of the fine grained soil, not individual fine grained fractions.

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Grading Term	Particle size (mm)
Well	A good representation of all
	particle sizes
Poorly	An excess or deficiency of
	particular sizes within the
	specified range
Uniformly	Essentially of one size
Gap	A deficiency of a particular
	size or size range within the
	total range

Note, AS1726-2017 provides terminology for additional attributes not listed here.



#### **Soil Condition**

#### <u>Moisture</u>

The moisture condition of soils is assessed relative to the plastic limit for fine grained soils, while for coarse grained soils it is assessed based on the appearance and feel of the material. The moisture condition of a material is considered to be independent of stratigraphy (although commonly these are related), and this data is presented in its own column on logs.

Applicability	Term	Tactile Assessment	Abbreviation code
Fine	Dry of plastic limit	Hard and friable or powdery	w <pl< td=""></pl<>
	Near plastic limit	Can be moulded	w=PL
	Wet of plastic limit	Water residue remains on hands when handling	w>PL
	Near liquid limit	"oozes" when agitated	w=LL
	Wet of liquid limit	"oozes"	w>LL
Coarse	Dry	Non-cohesive and free running	D
	Moist	Feels cool, darkened in colour, particles may stick together	Μ
	Wet	Feels cool, darkened in colour, particles may stick together, free water forms when handling	$\mathbb{W}$

The abbreviation code NDF, meaning "not-assessable due to drilling fluid use" may also be used. Note, observations relating to free ground water or drilling fluids are provided independent of soil moisture condition.

#### Consistency/Density/Compaction/Cementation/Extremely Weathered Material

These concepts give an indication of how the material may respond to applied forces (when considered in conjunction with other attributes of the soil). This behaviour can vary independent of the composition of the material, and on logs these are described in an independent column and are generally mutually exclusive (i.e. it is inappropriate to describe both consistency and compaction at the same time). The method by which the behaviour is described depends on the behaviour model and other characteristics of the soil as follows:

- In fine grained soils, the "consistency" describes the ease with which the soil can be remoulded, and is generally correlated against the materials undrained shear strength;
- In granular materials, the relative density describes how tightly packed the particles are, and is generally correlated against the density index;
- In anthropogenically modified materials, the compaction of the material is described qualitatively;
- In cemented soils (both natural and anthropogenic), the cemented "strength" is described qualitatively, relative to the difficulty with which the material is disaggregated; and
- In soils of extremely weathered material origin, the engineering behaviour may be governed by relic rock features, and expected behaviour needs to be assessed based the overall material description.

Quantitative engineering performance of these materials may be determined by laboratory testing or estimated by correlated field tests (for example penetration or shear vane testing). In some cases, performance may be assessed by tactile or other subjective methods, in which case investigation logs will show the estimated value enclosed in round brackets, for example (VS).

Consistency (III	le granied solis)		
Consistency	Tactile Assessment	Undrained	Abbreviation
Term		Shear	Code
		Strength (kPa)	
Very soft	Extrudes between fingers when squeezed	<12	VS
Soft	Mouldable with light finger pressure	>12 - ≤25	S
Firm	Mouldable with strong finger pressure	>25 - ≤50	F
Stiff	Cannot be moulded by fingers	>50 - ≤100	St
Very stiff	Indented by thumbnail	>100 - ≤200	VSt
Hard	Indented by thumbnail with difficulty	>200	Н
Friable	Easily crumbled or broken into small pieces by hand	-	Fr

Consistency (fine grained soils)

Relative Density (coarse grained soils)

Relative Density Term	Density Index	Abbreviation Code
Very loose	<15	VL
Loose	>15 - ≤35	L
Medium dense	>35 - ≤65	MD
Dense	>65 - ≤85	D
Very dense	>85	VD

Note, tactile assessment of relative density is difficult, and generally requires penetration testing, hence a tactile assessment guide is not provided.



### **Soil Descriptions**

Compaction	(anthropo	aenically	modified soil)
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Compaction Term	Abbreviation Code
Well compacted	WC
Poorly compacted	PC
Moderately compacted	MC
Variably compacted	VC

#### Cementation (natural and anthropogenic)

Cementation Term	Abbreviation Code
Moderately cemented	MOD
Weakly cemented	WEK

#### Extremely Weathered Material

AS1726-2017 considers weathered material to be soil if the unconfined compressive strength is less than 0.6 MPa (i.e. less than very low strength rock). These materials may be identified as "extremely weathered material" in reports and by the abbreviation code XWM on log sheets. This identification is not correlated to any specific qualitative or quantitative behaviour, and the engineering properties of this material must therefore be assessed according to engineering principles with reference to any relic rock structure, fabric, or texture described in the description.

#### Soil Origin

Term	Description	Abbreviation Code
Residual	Derived from in-situ weathering of the underlying rock	RS
Extremely	Formed from in-situ weathering of geological formations. Has	XWM
weathered material	strength of less than 'very low' as per as 726 but retains the structure or fabric of the parent rock.	
Alluvial	Deposited by streams and rivers	ALV
Estuarine	Deposited in coastal estuaries	EST
Marine	Deposited in a marine environment	MAR
Lacustrine	Deposited in freshwater lakes	LAC
Aeolian	Carried and deposited by wind	AEO
Colluvial	Soil and rock debris transported down slopes by gravity	COL
Slopewash	Thin layers of soil and rock debris gradually and slowly deposited by gravity and possibly water	SW
Topsoil	Mantle of surface soil, often with high levels of organic material	TOP
Fill	Any material which has been moved by man	FILL
Littoral	Deposited on the lake or seashore	LIT
Unidentifiable	Not able to be identified	UID

#### **Cobbles and Boulders**

The presence of particles considered to be "oversize" may be described using one of the following strategies:

- Oversize encountered in a minor proportion (when considered relative to the wider area) are noted in the soil description; or
- Where a significant proportion of oversize is encountered, the cobbles/boulders are described independent of the soil description, in a similar manner to composite soils (described above) but qualified with "MIXTURE OF".

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#### **Rock Strength**

Rock strength is defined by the unconfined compressive strength, and it refers to the strength of the rock substance and not the strength of the overall rock mass, which may be considerably weaker due to defects.

The Point Load Strength Index  $I_{s(50)}$  is commonly used to provide an estimate of the rock strength and site specific correlations should be developed to allow UCS values to be determined. The point load strength test procedure is described by Australian Standard AS4133.4.1-2007. The terms used to describe rock strength are as follows:

Strength Term	Unconfined Compressive Strength (MPa)	Point Load Index <sup>1</sup> I <sub>s(50)</sub> MPa	Abbreviation Code
Very low	0.6 - 2	0.03 - 0.1	VL
Low	2-6	0.1 - 0.3	L
Medium	6 - 20	0.3 - 1.0	М
High	20 - 60	1-3	Н
Very high	60 - 200	3 - 10	VH
Extremely high	>200	>10	EH

<sup>1</sup> Rock strength classification is based on UCS. The UCS to  $I_{s(50)}$  ratio varies significantly for different rock types and specific ratios may be required for each site. The point load Index ranges shown above are as suggested in AS1726 and should not be relied upon without supporting evidence.

The following abbreviation codes are used for soil layers or seams of material "within rock" but for which the equivalent UCS strength is less than 0.6 MPa.

Scenario	Abbreviation
	Code
The material encountered has an equivalent UCS strength of less than 0.6 MPa, and	SOIL
therefore is considered to be soil (as per Note 1 of Table 20 of AS 1726-2017). The	
properties of the material encountered over this interval are described in the	
"Description of Strata" and soil properties columns.	
The material encountered has an equivalent UCS strength of less than 0.6 MPa, and	SEAM
therefore is considered to be soil (as per Note 1 of Table 20 of AS 1726-2017). The	
prominence of the material is such that it can be considered to be a seam (as defined	
in Table 22 of AS1726-2017) and the properties of the material are described in the defect	
column.	

#### **Degree of Weathering**

The degree of weathering of rock is classified as follows:

Weathering	Description	Abbreviation
Residual Soil <sup>1</sup>	Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are no longer visible, but the soil has not been significantly transported.	RS
Extremely weathered <sup>1</sup>	Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are still visible	XW
Highly weathered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable. Rock strength is significantly changed by weathering. Some primary minerals have weathered to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores.	HW
Moderately weathered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.	MW
Slightly weathered	Rock is partially discoloured with staining or bleaching along joints but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.	SW
Fresh	No signs of decomposition or staining.	FR
Note: If HW and MW cannot be differentiated use DW (see below)		
Distinctly weathered	Rock strength usually changed by weathering. The rock may be highly discoloured, usually by iron staining. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to deposition of weathered products in pores.	DW

<sup>1</sup> The parent rock type, of which the residual/extremely weathered material is a derivative, will be stated in the description (where discernible).



#### **Degree of Alteration**

The degree of alteration of the rock material (physical or chemical changes caused by hot gasses or liquids at depth) is classified as follows:

Term	Description	Abbreviation Code
Extremely altered	Material is altered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are still visible.	ХА
Highly altered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable. Rock strength is changed by alteration. Some primary minerals are altered to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to precipitation of secondary materials in pores.	HA
Moderately altered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.	MA
Slightly altered	Rock is slightly discoloured but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock	SA
Note: If HA and MA cannot be differentiated use DA (see below)		
Distinctly altered	Rock strength usually changed by alteration. The rock may be highly discoloured, usually by staining or bleaching. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to precipitation of secondary minerals in pores.	DA

#### **Degree of Fracturing**

The following descriptive classification apply to the spacing of natural occurring fractures in the rock mass. It includes bedding plane partings, joints and other defects, but excludes drilling breaks. These terms are generally not required on investigation logs where fracture spacing is presented as a histogram, and where used are presented in an unabbreviated format.

Term	Description
Fragmented	Fragments of <20 mm
Highly Fractured	Core lengths of 20-40 mm with occasional fragments
Fractured	Core lengths of 30-100 mm with occasional shorter and longer sections
Slightly Fractured	Core lengths of 300 mm or longer with occasional sections of 100-300 mm
Unbroken	Core contains very few fractures

#### **Rock Quality Designation**

The quality of the cored rock can be measured using the Rock Quality Designation (RQD) index, defined as:

RQD %= <u>total drilled length of section being assessed</u>

where 'sound' rock is assessed to be rock of low strength or stronger. The RQD applies only to natural fractures. If the core is broken by drilling or handling (i.e., drilling breaks) then the broken pieces are fitted back together and are not included in the calculation of RQD.

#### **Stratification Spacing**

These terms may be used to describe the spacing of bedding partings in sedimentary rocks. Where used, these terms are generally presented in an unabbreviated format

Term	Separation of Stratification Planes
Thinly laminated	< 6 mm
Laminated	6 mm to 20 mm
Very thinly bedded	20 mm to 60 mm
Thinly bedded	60 mm to 0.2 m
Medium bedded	0.2 m to 0.6 m
Thickly bedded	0.6 m to 2 m
Very thickly	> 2 m
bedded	



### **Rock Descriptions**

### **Defect Descriptions**

#### Defect Type

Term	Abbreviation Code
Bedding plane	В
Infilled seam	IS
Cleavage	CV
Crushed zone	CZ
Decomposed seam	DS
Fault	F
Joint	JT
Lamination	LAM
Parting	Ρ
Shear zone	SZ
Vein	VN
Drilling/handling break	DB, HB
Fracture	FC

#### **Rock Defect Orientation**

Term	Abbreviation Code
Horizontal	Н
Vertical	V
Sub-horizontal	SH
Sub-vertical	SV

#### Rock Defect Coating

Term	Abbreviation Code
Clean	CN
Coating	СТ
Healed	HE
Infilled	INF
Stained	SN
Tight	TI
Veneer	VNR

#### Rock Defect Infill

Term	Abbreviation Code
Calcite	CA
Carbonaceous	CBS
Clay	CLAY
Iron oxide	FE
Manganese	MN

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#### Rock Defect Shape/Planarity

Term	Abbreviation Code
Curved	CU
Irregular	IR
Planar	PR
Stepped	ST
Undulating	UN

#### Rock Defect Roughness

Term	Abbreviation Code
Polished	PO
Rough	RF
Slickensided	SL
Smooth	SM
Very rough	VR

#### Defect Orientation

The inclination of defects is always measured from the perpendicular to the core axis.

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Terminology Symbols Abbreviations



#### Sampling and Testing

A record of samples retained, and field testing performed is usually shown on a Douglas Partners' log with samples appearing to the left of a depth scale, and selected field and laboratory testing (including results, where relevant) appearing to the right of the scale, as illustrated below:



#### <u>Sampling</u>

The type or intended purpose for which a sample was taken is indicated by the following abbreviation codes.

Sample Type	Code
Auger sample	A
Bulk sample	В
Core sample	С
Disturbed sample	D
Sample from SPT test	SPT
Environmental sample	ES
Gas sample	G
Undisturbed tube sample	$^{\circ}$ U <sup>1</sup>
Water sample	
Piston sample	Р
Core sample for unconfined	UCS
compressive strength testing	
Material Sample	MT

<sup>1</sup> – numeric suffixes indicate tube diameter/width in mm

The above codes only indicate that a sample was retained, and not that testing was scheduled or performed.

#### Field and Laboratory Testing

A record that field and laboratory testing was performed is indicated by the following abbreviation codes.

Test Type	Code
Pocket penetrometer (kPa)	PP
Photo ionisation detector (ppm)	PID
Standard Penetration Test	SPT
x/y = x blows for y mm	
penetration	
HB = hammer bouncing	
HW = fell under weight of	
hammer	
Shear vane (kPa)	
Unconfined compressive	UCS
strength, (MPa)	

#### Field and laboratory testing (continued)

Test Type	Code
Point load test, (MPa),	PLT(_)
axial (A) , diametric (D) ,	
irregular (I)	
Dynamic cone penetrometer,	DCP/150
followed by blow count	
penetration increment in mm	
(cone tip, generally in	
accordance with AS1289.6.3.2)	
Perth sand penetrometer,	PSP/150
followed by blow count	
penetration increment in mm	
(flat tip, generally in accordance	
with AS1289.6.3.3)	

#### **Groundwater Observations**

$\triangleright$	seepage/inflow
$\overline{\nabla}$	standing or observed water level
NFGWO	no free groundwater observed
OBS	observations obscured by drilling
	fluids

#### **Drilling or Excavation Methods/Tools**

The drilling/excavation methods used to perform the investigation may be shown either in a dedicated column down the left-hand edge of the log, or stated in the log footer. In some circumstances abbreviation codes may be used.

Method	Abbreviation
	Code
Toothed bucket	TB <sup>1</sup>
Mud/blade bucket	MB <sup>1</sup>
Ripping tyne/ripper	R
Rock breaker/hydraulic	RB
hammer	
Hand auger	HA <sup>1</sup>
NMLC series coring	NMLC
HMLC series coring	HMLC
NQ coring	NQ3
HQ coring	HQ3
PQ coring	PQ3
Push tube	PT <sup>1</sup>
Rock roller	RR <sup>1</sup>
Solid flight auger. Suffixes:	AD <sup>1</sup>
/T = tungsten carbide tip,	
/V = v-shaped tip	
Sonic drilling	SON <sup>1</sup>
Vibrocore	VC1
Wash bore (unspecified bit	WB1
type)	
Existing exposure	Х
Hand tools (unspecified)	HAND
Predrilled	PD
Diatube	DT <sup>1</sup>
Hollow flight auger	HSA <sup>1</sup>
Vacuum excavation	VE

<sup>1</sup> – numeric suffixes indicate tool diameter/width in mm



### Appendix B

Borehole Logs

Cone Penetration Plots



**Douglas** 

 CLIENT:
 Ausgrid

 PROJECT:
 Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 LOCATION:
 Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

### **BOREHOLE LOG**

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 16.6 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:359451.6, N:6369179.5

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH1 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 01/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2







 SURFACE LEVEL:
 14.6 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:359222.9, N:6369273.4

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH2 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 30/01/24 SHEET: 1 of 2



**METHOD:** Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 6.0m **REMARKS:** 

CASING: Uncased



 CLIENT:
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 PROJECT:
 Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 LOCATION:
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# **BOREHOLE LOG**

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 14.6 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:359222.9, N:6369273.4

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH2 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 30/01/24 SHEET: 2 of 2







SURFACE LEVEL: 17.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:358181.3, N:6369733.4 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH3 DATE: 31/01/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

		CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED		I			SAN	IPLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
	RL (m) DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)	CONSIS. DENSITY.	MOISTURE	REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
		FILL / Sandy SILT (ML), trace gravel: brown; low plasticity; fine sand; fine to coarse, sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel; with rootlets.	XX X XX, XX X X X X X X X X X X X X X X	FILL possibly TOP	NA	М		ES		- 0.30 -		
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Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions



Douglas

**REMARKS:** 





SURFACE LEVEL: 14.2 AHD COORDINATE: E:356953.3, N:6370773.5 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56

LOCATION ID: BH4 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 31/01/24

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---° SHEET: 1 of 2 CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING AND REMARKS CONSIS.<sup>(1)</sup> GROUNDWATER **TYPE** MOISTURE RESULTS DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) REMARKS INTERVAL GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) AND DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ RL (m) OF STRATA SILT (ML): pale grey; low plasticity. COL VSt to NA 0.10 CLAY (CH): grey mottled orange; high plasticity. 4 ო VSt w=PL RS 2 2 3 3 3.50 CLAY (CL), with sand, trace gravel: orange mottled red; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; fine to medium gravel; gravels comprise of ironstone. V groundwater observed at 3.9m 4 Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Soil Log 5 VSt w=PL w>PL RS to H Free

PLANT: Truck Mounted METHOD: Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 5.9m **REMARKS:** 

OPERATOR: Traccess Drilling

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: Uncased

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PROJECT:

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SURFACE LEVEL: 14.2 AHD COORDINATE: E:356953.3, N:6370773.5 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH4 DATE: 31/01/24 SHEET: 2 of 2

			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED			-		SAN	IPLE	1			TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	- 6		[CONT] CLAY (CL), with sand, trace gravel: orange mottled red; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; fine to medium gravel; gravels comprise of ironstone.		RS	VSt to H	w=PL w>PL					* * *	
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CLIENT:

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PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook



 SURFACE LEVEL:
 31.0 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:356511.1, N:6371102.1

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH5 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 30/01/24 SHEET: 1 of 2





 SURFACE LEVEL:
 31.0 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:356511.1, N:6371102.1

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH5 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 30/01/24 SHEET: 2 of 2



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CLIENT:

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LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program

CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

## **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 16.9 AHD **COORDINATE:** E:356227.9, N:6371481.2 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH6 PROJECT No: 226603.00 **DATE:** 30/01/24 SHEET: 1 of 2



METHOD: Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 5.56m **REMARKS:** 

CASING: Uncased





SURFACE LEVEL: 16.9 AHD COORDINATE: E:356227.9, N:6371481.2 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH6 **DATE:** 30/01/24 SHEET: 2 of 2



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CLIENT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program









METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit **REMARKS:** 

CASING: Uncased



SURFACE LEVEL: 32.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:354670.1, N:6373322.0 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH8 **DATE:** 01/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2

	CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED							SAMPLE				TESTING AND REMARKS	
GROUNDWATER	RL (m) DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)	CONSIS. <sup>(1)</sup>	MOISTURE	REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS	

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LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program

NOTES: #Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual reference only - no correlation between cohesive and granular materials is implied.

PLANT: Comacchio Geo 405 METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit **REMARKS:** 

OPERATOR: Ground Test (Douglas)

LOGGED: Chaplin CASING: Uncased





SURFACE LEVEL: 57.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:353315.2, N:6374258.0 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH9 DATE: 01/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAM	PLE	r			TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	REMARKS	түре	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
groundwater observed		0.20	SILT (ML), with clay, with sand: pale brown; low         plasticity; fine sand.         0.00m-0.05m: with rootlets         CLAY (Cl), with sand, trace gravel: grey mottled red         orange; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; fine to         medium, angular to sub-angular gravel; gravels         comprise of ironstone.		COL	St	w <pl< td=""><td>_</td><td></td><td></td><td> </td><td>-</td><td></td></pl<>	_			 	-	
01/02/24 No free g	- 28	1 _			RS	VSt	w>PL to w=PL		SPT			SPT PP	2,4,5 N=9 — 350kPa
	54 55	2.00 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	Sandy CLAY (CI), trace gravel: grey mottled red orange; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; fine to medium, angular to sub-angular gravel; gravels comprise of ironstone.		RS possibly XWM	н	w>PL to w=PL		SPT		- 2	SPT	4,7,9 N=16 520kPa
	53	3.50 4 -	Sandy CLAY (CI), trace gravel: pale grey mottled red orange; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; angular to sub-angular, gravels comprise of ironstone gravel.		RS possibly XWM	н	w <pl to w=PL</pl 		SPT			SPT	6,13,18 N=31 —450->600кРа
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**REMARKS:** 



**REMARKS:** 

Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Soil Log

CASING: Uncased





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METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit to 2.8m **REMARKS:** 





### METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit to 2.8m **REMARKS:**





SURFACE LEVEL: 131.3 AHD

CLIENT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION ID: BH13 PROJECT No: 226603.00





LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

# **BOREHOLE LOG**

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 76.8 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:348261.0, N:6380727.0

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH14 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 07/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2







 SURFACE LEVEL:
 76.8 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:348261.0, N:6380727.0

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH14 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 07/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2







# Douglas

**REMARKS:** 

### **BOREHOLE LOG**

CLIENT:

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SURFACE LEVEL: 58.4 AHD

LOCATION ID: BH15
SURFACE LEVEL: 48.1 AHD COORDINATE: E:346921.1, N:6383862.2 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH16 DATE: 15/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

			CC	NDITIO	NS E	NCO	UNT	ERE	2								SA	MPLI	E			TESTING
						SOIL				1	R	OC	K		1							
GROUNDWATER	48 RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA TOPSOIL / SAND (SP), with	GRAPHIC	(#) OBIGIN(#) TOP			WEATH.	DEPTH (m)			(%)	RQD	=== + *** FRACTURE === + *** SPACING == = + *** (m)	5.00 \	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	түре	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
whilst augering		0.10	clay: pale brown to brown; fine to coarse; abundant organics. SAND, with clay, trace gravel:															D	-	- 0.20 -		
idwater observed	-	-	coarse; sub-angular to sub- rounded gravel; gravel content appears to be natural.		RS	to MD	D											D	-	- 0.50 - 		
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15/02/	•	•	content appears to be natural.		RS	MD	м											SPT/D			SPT	10,9,7 N=16
	-	1.70	Silty SAND (SM), with gravel:					_												- 1.45 -  		
	46	2_	orange brown; fine to coarse; sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel; (extremely weathered sandstone).		XWM	ND	D													2		
		2.10	SANDSTONE: brown; inferred very low to low strength, highly to moderately weathered			ND	ND															
	-	2.50	SANDSTONE: dark grey, fine to coarse grained 2.60m-3.10m: with						2.50-							- 2.55m: D	B			 		
	45	3_	2.75m: calcite vein (white)													3.10m: P	, SH, PR,			3		
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	-	-						sw														
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h CORE-GS by G	-	- -									1	00	86			_4.53m: P RF	r, SH, IR,			 		
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PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T

METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit to 2.5m, NMLC coring to 6.4m REMARKS: Test location approx 20m off nearby creek

**OPERATOR:** Traccess

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: HQ to 2.5m



Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions

#### Ausgrid

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

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# **BOREHOLE LOG**

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 48.1 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:346921.1, N:6383862.2

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH16 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 15/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2



CASING: HQ to 2.5m



# **CORE PHOTO LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 48.1 AHD COORDINATE: E:346921.1, N:6383862.2 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH16 DATE: 15/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 2.50-6.40 m depth





SURFACE LEVEL: 35.1 AHD

LOCATION ID: BH17

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# REMARKS:

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CLIENT:

Ausgrid

# **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 28.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:343308.5, N:6385172.0 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH18 DATE: 06/03/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

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METHOD: SFA to 5.0m, NMLC to 7.16m **REMARKS:** 

CASING: HWT to 5m



# **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 28.5 AHD **COORDINATE:** E:343308.5, N:6385172.0 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH18 PROJECT No: 226603.00 **DATE:** 06/03/24 SHEET: 2 of 2



METHOD: SFA to 5.0m, NMLC to 7.16m **REMARKS:** 

CASING: HWT to 5m



# **CORE PHOTO LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 28.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:343308.5, N:6385172.0 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH18 **DATE:** 06/03/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 5.00-7.16 m depth





PLANT: Multidril 4.0T

METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit to 5.5m, SPT refusal 5.5m to 5.53m **REMARKS:** 

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: Uncased



 SURFACE LEVEL:
 52.5 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:341331.3, N:6385056.6

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH19 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 16/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2

Douglas



Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions

CLIENT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program

SURFACE LEVEL: 82.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:340013.7, N:6385240.6 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH20 PROJECT No: 226603.00 **DATE:** 06/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING AND REMARKS DENSITY.<sup>(1)</sup> CONSIS.<sup>(1)</sup> GROUNDWATER *IEST TYPE* MOISTURE RESULTS Ē REMARKS DEPTH (m) INTERVAL GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) DEPTH ( AND DESCRIPTION REMARKS Түре ۲ ۲ OF 2 STRATA FILL / Silty CLAY (CL), trace sand, trace gravel: 06/02/24 No free groundwater observed FILL D brown; low plasticity; fine to medium sand; sub-NA w<PL 0.10 angular to sub-rounded gravel; road embankment fill. 0.20 Silty CLAY (CH), trace sand: orange brown pale grey; high plasticity; fine sand; grading towards extremely weathered sandstone. D 0.50 82 1 D 1.00 w<PL RS Н D SPT 8,12,25/70 1.37 SPT 1.45 PP ->600kPa 5 2 2 2.10 Silty SAND (SM), trace clay: brown; fine to coarse; 8 D extremely weathered sandstone. 2.20 XWM NA D 8 2.50 = 25/20 D/SP1 Borehole discontinued at 2.52m depth. SPT refusal on inferred sandstone bedrock. - 8 3 62 4 - L origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual reference only - no correlation between cohesive and granular materials is implied NOTES **OPERATOR:** Traccess Drilling PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T LOGGED: Lloyd CASING: Uncased METHOD: Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 2.5m, SPT refusal 2.5m to 2.52m



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CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

 CLIENT:
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 PROJECT:
 Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 LOCATION:
 Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

# **BOREHOLE LOG**

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 45.3 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:338082.4, N:6385777.8

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH21 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 07/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



PLANT: Truck Mounted

OPERATOR: Traccess Driling

LOGGED: Lloyd CASING: Uncased





SURFACE LEVEL: 97.2 AHD

COORDINATE: E:336057.6, N:6386010.9 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH22 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 08/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL Ever FRACTURE Ð CONSIS." STRENGTH RESULTS GROUNDWATEF RECOVERY (%) ٥ð TEST TYPE DEFECTS 8 REMARKS MOISTURE Sample Remarks DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND **NTERVAL** GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ ВG RL (m) OF STRATA TOPSOIL / Clayey SAND (SC), М 08/02/24 No free groundwater observed TOP NA 0.10 with gravel: dark brown; fine to 5 coarse; fine to coarse, sub-D COL MD Μ 0.20 angular to sub-rounded gravel; 0.30 abundant organics. RS ossib COL Clayey SAND (SC), with н N<PL D 0.40 PP ->400kPa gravel: dark brown; fine to 0.50 coarse; fine to coarse, subangular to sub-rounded gravel; gravel appears to be natural. D 0.70 Sandy CLAY (CI): brown mottled red; medium plasticity; fine to medium sand. 1 1.00 20/140 D/SPT SPT Silty SAND, with gravel: pale brown; fine to coarse; fine to Refusal ND D 98 XWM 1 14 medium, sub-angular to subrounded gravel; gravels are 8 rock fragments, extremely weathered sandstone. 1.80 1.80 CORE LOSS  $\times$ 1.86 1.86 PEBBLY SANDSTONE: brown 2 2 to dark brown: with 2.00 subrounded to subangular fragments and pebbles up to 92 MW 1.86-2.50m: FG 20mm, possible conglomerate 2.50 2.50m: colour change to 96 54 grey to dark grey with 2.65m: P, SH, PR subrounded to subangular fragments up to 20mm 3 3 4 3.30m: DB SW 4 4 100 99 4.17m: JT, 10°, UN, RF 8 ii 4.87m: DB H 100 100 ii d granular materials is implie NOTES "Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual refere PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T **OPERATOR:** Traccess LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: HQ to 1.8m

METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit to 1.8m, NLMC to 6.45m **REMARKS:** 

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CLIENT: PROJECT:

#### Hunter Pole Replacement Program LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

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LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 97.2 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:336057.6, N:6386010.9

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH22 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 08/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2

Douglas



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 CLIENT:
 Ausgrid

 PROJECT:
 Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 LOCATION:
 Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

# CORE PHOTO LOG

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 97.2 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:336057.6, N:6386010.9

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

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LOCATION ID: BH22 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 08/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1





DIP/AZIMUTH:

SURFACE LEVEL: 66.2 AHD COORDINATE: E:335311.3, N:6386365.8 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56

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LOCATION ID: BH23 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 09/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING SOIL ROCK ERACTURE SPACING (m) Ð CONSIS." STRENGTH RESULTS GROUNDWATEF RECOVERY (%) ٥ð TEST TYPE DEFECTS 8 REMARKS MOISTURE Sample Remarks DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND **NTERVAL** GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION TYPE ВG RL (m) OF STRATA TOPSOIL / Silty SAND (SM), NA М TOP 09/02/24 No free groundwater observed whilst augering 0.10 with clay: dark brown; fine to St 90 coarse; abundant organics. to VSt RS v=Pl D 0.20 PP -150-250kPa Silty CLAY (CH), trace sand 0.30 dark brown mottled red; high plasticity; fine to medium sand. D 0.50 PP ->400kPa Silty CLAY (CH), trace sand, RS н w<PI trace gravel: red; high plasticity; sub-angular to subrounded gravel; gravel content 0.80 appears natural. Sandy CLAY (CI), trace gravel: red pale grey mottled orange; D 1.00 400kPa medium plasticity; fine to medium sand; sub-angular to - 13 sub-rounded gravel; gravel content appears natural, SPT/D SPT 14,11,13 N=24 composed of sandstone fragments, grading towards VSt extremely weathered 1.45 RS w<PL sandstone. to H XWM 2 2 2 2.20 SANDSTONE: grey brown; inferred very low to low strength, highly weathered, possibly pebbly sandstone ND ND 2.50 20/110 D/SPT SPT Refusal 2.6 2.70 2 70 SANDSTONE: dark grey, fine > 2.70-2.74m: FG ij to medium grained; with ironstain laminations dipping 2.90m: JT, 10°, PR SN Fe, RF 10°-20° 3 3 3.06-3.08m: FG 100 90 33 MW 3.50m: DB 3.50-3.52m; FG !! 3.74-3.78m: FG 1 u 3.89m: JT, 10°, PR 3.84m-3.85m: interbedded RF clay seam 3.92-4.02m: FG 4 4 Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Combined Log 4.10-4.07m-4.13m: interbedded 2 claystone band 86 100 4.10m-4.50m: red staining HW 4.28m-4.34m: interbedded to MW claystone band 4.50m-4.60m: interbedded claystone band 4.60 MW 188m<sup>.</sup> DB d granular materials is implie NOTES Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. ("Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual refe

PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T

**REMARKS:** 

**OPERATOR:** Traccess

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: HQ to 2.7m



Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions

METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit to 2.7m NLMC to 6.5m

CLIENT:

PROJECT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 CLIENT:
 Ausgrid

 PROJECT:
 Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 LOCATION:
 Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

# **BOREHOLE LOG**

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 66.2 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:335311.3, N:6386365.8

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

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LOCATION ID: BH23 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 09/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2



**METHOD:** Solid flight auger TC Bit to 2.7m NLMC to 6.5m **REMARKS:** 



# **CORE PHOTO LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 66.2 AHD COORDINATE: E:335311.3, N:6386365.8 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH23 **DATE:** 09/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 2.70-6.50 m depth



DIP/AZIMUTH:

SURFACE LEVEL: 62.6 AHD COORDINATE: E:334579.7, N:6386714.5 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56

90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH24 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 09/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL Ever FRACTURE Ð CONSIS." STRENGTH RESULTS GROUNDWATEF RECOVERY (%) ٥ð TEST TYPE DEFECTS 8 REMARKS MOISTURE Sample Remarks DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND **NTERVAL** GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ ВÖ RL (m) OF STRATA ≓ - ≥ I TOPSOIL / Sandy SILT (ML), TOP NA w<PL 09/02/24 No free groundwater observed whilst augering 0.10 with clay: dark brown; low plasticity; fine to medium sand; D COL w<₽l 0.20 abundant organics. 0.30 Sandy SILT (ML), with clay: dark brown to brown; low plasticity; fine to medium sand. D 0.50 62 Silty CLAY (CH), with sand: orange brown; high plasticity; fine to medium sand. 1 D 1.00 pp -350-400kPa s w<PL w=PL 5,4,9 N=13 SPT/D SPT RS to VSt 1.45 2 2 2.20 SANDSTONE: grey brown; inferred very low to low strength, highly weathered ND ND 2.50 20/130 D/SPT SPT Refusal -<sup>66</sup> 2.65 2.63 2 65 SANDSTONE: grey brown 2.65-2.83m: FG orange; occasional ironstaining .... 3 MW Ш 3 100 76 ÷E 3.05-3.08m: FG 322m: DB 328m: DB 3 30 3.38m: DB 347m: DB 3.52m: DB 59 3.52-3.74m: FG 3.80m: P, SH, PR, TI, RF 3.81-3.89m: JT, SV, PR, RF 3.91m: P, SH, PR, RF 4 4 4.00-4.04m: FG 4.11m: P, SH, PR, RF Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Combined Log MW L∎ to M to SW 1 100 20 4.19-4.30m: FG ir H 4.47-4.53m: FG 8 4.68m: JT, 10°, UN R 4.73-4.95m: FG NOTES "Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. ("Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual refere nd granular materials is impli PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T **OPERATOR:** Traccess

METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit to 2.65m, NMLC to 6.5m **REMARKS:** 

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: HQ to 2.65m

Douglas

Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions

CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

# **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 62.6 AHD COORDINATE: E:334579.7, N:6386714.5 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH24 DATE: 09/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2

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METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit to 2.65m, NMLC to 6.5m **REMARKS:** 

CASING: HQ to 2.65m



# **CORE PHOTO LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 62.6 AHD COORDINATE: E:334579.7, N:6386714.5 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH24 **DATE:** 09/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 2.65-6.50 m depth



 SURFACE LEVEL:
 81.5 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:334038.5, N:6386979.4

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH25 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 07/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1

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CLIENT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program



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SURFACE LEVEL: 106.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:329598.3, N:6387882.6 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH27 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 08/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL Ever FRACTURE G CONSIS.<sup>(1)</sup> STRENGTH DEFECTS & REMARKS RESULTS GROUNDWATEF RECOVERY (%) TEST TYPE MOISTURE Sample Remarks DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND **NTERVAL** GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION TYPE ВÖ RL (m) OF STRATA TOPSOIL / Clayey SAND (SC), NA М 08/02/24 No free groundwater observed TOP 0.10 with silt: dark brown; fine to RS medium; abundant organics н w<₽l D 0.20 PP ->400kPa ossibl COL and rootlets 0.30 Silty CLAY (CL), with sand: ×. dark brown; low plasticity. Silty SAND (SM), with clay: D 0.50 106 pale brown; fine to coarse; MD RS to D D grading towards extremely XWM weathered material. D 0.80 0.90 Sandy CLAY (CI): pale brown 1.00 pp 400-500kPa mottled grey; medium plasticity; fine sand; extremely weathered sandstone. 15,17,17 N=34 D/SP SPT 1.45 -15-NA w<PL XWM 2 2 2.50 2 50 104 SANDSTONE: brown orange, fine to medium grained; with 2.60-2.61m: FG 2.71m: JT, 10°, PR, RF ironstaining 2.60m: occasional pale grey bands 2.98m: JT, 20°, PR, RF 3 3 97 100 -8 MW l∎ to M to SW 3.90m: JT, 20°, PR, RF 4 4 4.02m: DB Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Combined Log 4.02-4.14m: FG 4.17-4.28m: JT, SV-80, PR, TI, RF 4.35m: P, SH, PR, RF ... 4.41m: JT, 10°, PR, TI, RF 97 47 102 HW VL 4.80-5.02m: FG NOTES: "Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. ("Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual refe d granular materials is implie LOGGED: Reiher-Smith PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T **OPERATOR:** Traccess

METHOD: Solid flight auger TC Bit to 2.5m, NMLC to 6.8m **REMARKS:** 

CASING: HQ to 2.5m

Douglas

Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions

CLIENT:

PROJECT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 CLIENT:
 Ausgrid

 PROJECT:
 Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 LOCATION:
 Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

# **BOREHOLE LOG**

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 106.5 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:329598.3, N:6387882.6

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH27 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 08/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2

Douglas





Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions

**REMARKS:** 

# **CORE PHOTO LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 106.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:329598.3, N:6387882.6 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH27 **DATE:** 08/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 2.50-6.80 m depth









CLIENT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program

SURFACE LEVEL: 70.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:327951.7, N:6387898.3 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH28 **DATE:** 12/04/24 SHEET: 2 of 2





Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions

SURFACE LEVEL: 99.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:327190.0, N:6387844.5 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56

LOCATION ID: BH29 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 14/02/24

DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---° SHEET: 1 of 2 CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL Ever FRACTURE G CONSIS." STRENGTH RESULTS GROUNDWATEF RECOVERY (%) ٥ð TEST TYPE DEFECTS 8 REMARKS MOISTURE Sample Remarks DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND **NTERVAL** GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ ВÖ RL (m) OF STRATA TOPSOIL / Silty SAND (SM), D TOP NA 14/02/24 No free groundwater observed whilst augering 0.10 with clay: dark brown brown; COL fine to coarse; abundant D MD D 0.20 ossit RS organics. 0.30 Silty SAND (SM), with clay: brown; fine to coarse. Silty CLAY (CI), trace sand: D 0.50 brown; medium plasticity; fine RS н w<PI sand. X 6 0.80 Silty CLAY (CH), with sand: orange brown; high plasticity; fine to medium sand. 1 D 1.00 ж D SPT 4,5,6 N=11 VSt to RS v<PL 400-500kPa н 1.45 PP . 8 1.80 Silty SAND (SM), with clay, 8 with gravel: brown; fine to 2 coarse; sub-angular to sub-D 2.00 rounded gravel; gravel composed of sandstone XWM D fragments, extremely weathered. ŝ 2.50 2 50 SANDSTONE: brown, fine to > 2.50-2.56m: FG medium grained 2.60m; DB 5 2.78m: DB 2.90m: DB 3 > 2.95-3.00m: FG 3 м 3.08m: DB 3.13m: DB 100 64 3.16m: DB 327-3.57m: FG 3.60 3.60m: JT, 30°-40° PR, RF -96 SW

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**REMARKS:** 

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4.20m-4.90m: with dark grey

4.40m: occasional iron

**OPERATOR:** Tracess

3.79m: DB 3.90m: DE

4.18m: DB

4.42m: DB

4.70m: DB 4.88m: P, SH, PR RF 

5.00m: DB, quartz

96 100

4.00-4.04m: FG

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: HQ to 2.5m

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LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

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Hunter Pole Replacement Program

CLIENT:

PROJECT:

# **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 99.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:327190.0, N:6387844.5 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH29 DATE: 14/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2

Douglas

			CO	CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SOIL ROCK													SA	MPLE				TESTING
						SOIL						ROC	Ж									
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)	CONSIS."	MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)			RECOVERY (%)	RQD	<b>FRACTURE</b>	<pre>spacing (m)</pre>	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
		6	[CONT] SANDSTONE: brown, fine to medium grained 4.88m: crystalline inclusions / possible quartz band From 5.12m: dark grey					SW	-5.12-	, t	M H H	100	96			- 1am /inf - 5.08m: DE - 5.47m: DE - 5.83m: DE	3					
		7	Borehole discontinued at 6.40m depth. Auger TC refusal / change to NMLC coring.													640m D	3					
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Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions

**REMARKS:** 

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Box 1 of 1: 2.50-6.40 m depth



 SURFACE LEVEL:
 114.3 AHD
 LOCATION ID:
 BH30

 COORDINATE:
 E:325150.5, N:6388029.4
 PROJECT No:
 226603.00

LOCATION ID: BH30 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 14/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

 CLIENT:
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 PROJECT:
 Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 LOCATION:
 Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

COORDINATE: E:325150.5, N:638802 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

			CO	NDITIO	NS E	NCO	UNTE	ERED	)					SAMPLE					TESTING
						SOIL					ROC	Ж	1						
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	K M M B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B	RECOVERY (%)	RQD	Me FRACTURE Me SPACING Me (m) DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
nilst augering	114	0.30	FILL / Sandy GRAVEL (GP), trace clay: brown grey; sub- angular to sub-rounded; fine to coarse sand; gravel composed of crushed quarried rock,	×0.0°0.0°0 0°0°0°0	FILL	NA	D		<u> </u>						ES/D		- 0.10 -		
ater observed wh		- -	access track material. Silty CLAY (CH): brown orange; high plasticity.		RS	VSt	w <pl or w=PL</pl 								D		- 0.50 - 	- PP -	—200->400kPa
14/02/24 No free groundw	113	0.80 1	Silty CLAY (CH), trace sand, trace gravel: brown mottled orange; high plasticity; fine sand; sub-angular to sub- rounded gravel; trace carbonaceous inclusions, gravel content appears to be natural.												D D		  - 1.00 	SPT	5,7,7 N=14
	-	-			RS	VSt to H	w <pl or w=PL</pl 										- 1.45 - 	PP	—>400kPa
	112	2														_	_ 2 _   		
	-	2.70 2.90	SANDSTONE: brown, fine to coarse grained; inferred very low strength, highly weathered	××××			ND		-2.90-						D	$\left\langle \right\rangle$	- 2.70 -	SPT	5,15,20/90 >400kPa
	111	3_	SANDSTONE: brown orange pale grey, fine to coarse grained; trace interbedded pebbles / fragments (pebbles / fragments are sub-rounded to sub-angular up to 8mm in size, with iron staining	4													_ 3 _		
,	-	4	3.00m-4.25m: with interbedded clay infill bands					HW		VL	100	13	290-4.2	5m: FG			 		
	110	-						HW to MW	-4.25-	u	_		448m	IB					
	-	-						MW		LL to M	100	25	448-4.8	- 5m: FG					
NOTE	S: (#)S	oil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "/Consi	stency/Rela	tive den	sity shad	ling is fo	r visual	reference	e only - no co	orrelatior	betwe	489m: J RF en cohesive and granular	T, 10°, PR,	mplied.				

PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T

**REMARKS:** 

**OPERATOR:** Tracess

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: HQ to 2.9m

Douglas

METHOD: Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 2.9m, NMLC coring to 6.1m

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 114.3 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:325150.5, N:6388029.4

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
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LOCATION ID: BH30 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 14/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2



Douglas

REMARKS:

CLIENT:

PROJECT:

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LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

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# **CORE PHOTO LOG**

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LOCATION ID: BH30 **DATE:** 14/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 2.90-6.10 m depth







# **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 75.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:322012.6, N:6389688.7 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH32 **DATE:** 05/03/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

			CO	NDITIO	NS E	NCO	UNT	ERE	)						SA	MPLI	E			TESTING
						SOIL	-			-	ROC	Ж	-							
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)		RECOVERY (%)	RQD	FRACTURE SPACING (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
dwater observed	•		Silty CLAY (CH): brown; high plasticity. 0.00m-0.20m: abundant rootlets		RS	н	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td></td><td>·</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>D</td><td></td><td>- 0.10 -</td><td>- PP -</td><td>—&gt;400kPa</td></pl<>			·						D		- 0.10 -	- PP -	—>400kPa
05/03/24 No free ground	75 75	0.40 1 1 1.80	Silty CLAY (CL-CI), with gravel: pale brown mottled orange; low to medium plasticity; angular to sub- angular gravel.		XWM	н	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>SPT</td><td></td><td></td><td>SPT </td><td>20,25/150 —&gt;600kPa</td></pl<>									SPT			SPT 	20,25/150 —>600kPa
	73	2 _ 2.50 2.60	interbedded extremely and highly weathered. CORE LOSS: 0.1m SANDSTONE: yellow brown, fine grained					нw	-2.94- -2.94- -3.05- -3.20- -3.20-	U U VL L SEAM				266-2.71 282m J Fe,RF 289-2.9 10°, PR 294-3.01 320-3.21	5m: FC T, SV, PR, 4m: P x3, Clay, SM 5m: FC 5m: DS				- - - - - - - - -	— PL(A)=0.08MPa
	72	- - - -						HW		м	97	55		3.45m: J PR, Fe, I PR, Clay R, Clay 3.65m: J TI, RF 3.71m: J TI, RF	T, 15-20°, RF T, 15-20°, , RF T, 30°, PR, T, 30°, PR,			- ·	PLT :	
roc - Combined Log	-	4						xw	-4.29- -4.33-	O SEAM			SEAM	3.79m: J PR, TI, F 3.94m: J TI Fe, Rf 4.10m: J Fe, RF 4.16m: J TI, RF	T, 15-20°, IF T, 60°, PR, T, 15°, IR, T, 35°, PR, 3m: DS			- 4 _ - · ·	PLT PLT PLT	\PL(A)=0.76MPa 
Generated with CORE-GS by Gen	-F-	Soil orig	4.69m-4.86m: carbonate cemented in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Cons	istency/Rela	tive der	isity shad	ding is fo	HW XW MW HW	-4.62- -4.69- -4.86- -4.96- referen	M SEAM VH L Ce only - no c	correlation	n betwee	SEAM	4.37m: J TI, RF 4.44m: J Fe, RF 4.60m: P TI Clay, J 4.62-4.69 4.86m: P 4.86m: P 4.86m: P	T, 40°, PR, T, 20°, PR, T, 15°, PR, RF 9m: DS 7, 15°, Fe , 20° 6m: P x5, materials is	mplied.		 	PLT <u>-</u> PLT	PL(D)=3.2MPa →PL(A)=5.4MPa



OPERATOR: Ground Test (Douglas)

LOGGED: Chaplin CASING: HWT to 2.5m



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LOCATION ID: BH32 PROJECT No: 226603.00 **DATE:** 05/03/24 SHEET: 2 of 2



METHOD: SFA to 2.50m, NMLC to 6.0m **REMARKS:** 

CASING: HWT to 2.5m


CLIENT:
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 PROJECT:
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 LOCATION:
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 SURFACE LEVEL:
 75.5 AHD

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LOCATION ID: BH32 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 05/03/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 2.50-6.00 m depth









SURFACE LEVEL: 50.8 AHD COORDINATE: E:321062.1, N:6392182.0 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH33C **DATE:** 12/04/24 SHEET: 2 of 2







 SURFACE LEVEL:
 52.3 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:318524.7, N:6396773.1

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH40 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 13/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2





CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook



 SURFACE LEVEL:
 52.3 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:318524.7, N:6396773.1

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH40 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 13/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2





CLIENT:

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LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program

SURFACE LEVEL: 92.4 AHD COORDINATE: E:319054.2, N:6399251.8 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56

LOCATION ID: BH41 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 13/02/24

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---° SHEET: 1 of 2 CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL Ever FRACTURE Ð CONSIS." STRENGTH RESULTS GROUNDWATEF RECOVERY (%) ٥ð TEST TYPE DEFECTS 8 REMARKS MOISTURE Sample Remarks DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND **NTERVAL** GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION TYPE g RL (m) OF STRATA TOPSOIL / Silty SAND (SM): NA D TOP augering 0.10 grey; fine to coarse; abundant organics. D 0.20 Silty CLAY (CI), with sand: 13/02/24 No free groundwater observed whilst grey brown; medium plasticity; 92 fine to medium sand. RS н w<Pl COL D 0.50 0.80 Silty SAND (SM), with clay: pale grey orange; fine to coarse; continuous rock-like D 1.00 structure, extremely weathered sandstone D SPT 8,10/110 N=10 1.26 ->400kPa PP 6 Ä XWM D 2 2 ŝ 2.30 SANDSTONE: pale grey 8 orange, fine to coarse grained; inferred very low strength, extremely to highly weathered 2.50 D SPT 20/130 2.63 3 3 ND NDF 68

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CLIENT:

PROJECT:

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3.90m: Increased drilling resistance (hard)

SANDSTONE: orange grey,

fine to coarse grained; with interbedded pebbles (lithic)

SANDSTONE: orange grey, fine to coarse grained; with interbedded pebbles (llithic)

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CORE LOSS

**OPERATOR:** Tracess

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-4.95

4.05m: DB

429m: DB

4.38m: DB

4.46-4.85m: FG

INF Clay

.90m: DE

nd granular materials is impli

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: HQ to 4m

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SURFACE LEVEL: 92.4 AHD COORDINATE: E:319054.2, N:6399251.8 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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LOCATION ID: BH41 **DATE:** 13/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 4.00-6.00 m depth



SURFACE LEVEL: 65.4 AHD COORDINATE: E:319753.7, N:6402230.3 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH42 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 16/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL ERACTURE SPACING (m) G CONSIS.<sup>(1)</sup> STRENGTH RESULTS GROUNDWATEF RECOVERY (%) ٥ð TEST TYPE DEFECTS 8 REMARKS MOISTURE SAMPLE REMARKS DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND **NTERVAL** GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ ВÖ RL (m) OF STRATA ≓ - ≥ I TOPSOIL / Silty SAND (SM), NA D D TOP 0.05 augering 0.10 trace clay: dark brown; fine to coarse; abundant organics. Silty CLAY (CH), with sand: 16/02/24 No free groundwater observed whilst brown; high plasticity; fine to 65 medium sand; trace carbonaceous inclusions D 0.50 D 1.00 pp -350-390kPa St to VSt ALV w=PL RS 4,4,5 N=9 SPT/D SPT 2 1.45 2 2 2.20 Silty SAND (SM), trace clay: ŝ pale grey pale brown; fine to 3 coarse; extremely weathered sandstone. XWM NA D 2.50 20/90 Ä SPT D/SPT Refusal 2.59 2.70 2.70 SANDSTONE: orange grey; 2.70-2.79m: FG VL 2.79 with ironstaining, with fragments / pebbles, 2.89m: HB Ц subrounded to subangular up 3 3 to 5mm, possible pebbly 3.03 sandstone 100 45 3.03-3.29m: FG VL НW 3.30m: JT, 20°, IR, RF 3.32 62 L -3.44 3.44-3.50m: FG VL 3.50-3.80m: FG 3.80 4 4 Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Combined Log 100 77 MW Ц 4.75m: P, SH, PR, RF 4.75m-4.90m: trace carbonaceous inclusions 4.92 HW 4.92-5.00m: FG νı tency/Relative density shading is for visual reference only - no Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. ("Consis NOTES d granular materials is impli PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T **OPERATOR:** Traccess LOGGED: Reiher-Smith

METHOD: Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 2.7m, NMLC coring to 6.5m **REMARKS:** 

Douglas

CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

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**REMARKS:** 

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LOCATION ID: BH42 **DATE:** 16/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 2.70-6.50 m depth



SURFACE LEVEL: 103.3 AHD COORDINATE: E:319277.9, N:6405749.7 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH44 **DATE:** 16/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

		CO	NDITIO	NS E	NCO	UNT	ERE	)						SA	MPLI	E			TESTING
					SOIL	•				RO	СК								
GROUNDWATER	RL (m) DEDTU (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)		RECOVERY	RQD	Beracture     SPacing     (m)	DEFECTS &	SAMPLE REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
þ	0.10	TOPSOIL / Clayey SAND (SC),		TOP	NA	М													
hilst augerin	0.30	coarse; sub-angular to sub- rounded gravel; abundant organics.		COL	MD	м	-								D		- 0.20 -	+	
ndwater observed w		Clayey SAND (SC), with gravel: brown; fine to medium; sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel; with buried cobbles / boulders, boulders composed of ferrunginised siltstone.		COL	MD to D	D									D		- - 0.50 - -	+ + + +	
e grou	0.80	Silty SAND (SM), with clay: red					1										-	1	
No free	1	Silty SAND (SM), with gravel,													D		- 1.00 -	1	20/90
16/02/241	102	trace clay: pale brown; fine to coarse; sub-angular to sub- rounded gravel; gravel content appears to be natural, extremely weathered sandstone.													SPT/D		- 1.09 - - - -	SPT	Refusal
	- 2			XWM	ND	D											-		
	-																-	+	
	-10	2.60m-2.65m: interbedded sandstone band	* *															-	
	2.60	SILTSTONE: orange brown					HW to MW	-2.60-				- 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10,					-	ł	
	2.8	SILTSTONE: orange grey; with					нм	-2.87-	-								-	ļ	
	3	ironstain laminations, with ironstaining / ironstain fill, possible claystone						-3.00-	-	100	0		2.60-3.3	2m: FG			_ 3 _	+ + +	
	-6	1					HW to		VL			-	il(					1	
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	- 3.7	SILTSTONE: brown mottled grey orange; with ironstain					нм	-3.73									-	+	
_	4	laminations, possible claystone						-4.00-									_ 4 _	1	
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ed with CORE-G	4.63	SANDSTONE: orange brown; with ironstain laminations					HW to MW		VL				4.50-4.9	2m: FG			-	+	
enerate	4.8	; -					HW SW/	-4.85 - <b>4.92</b>		100	07		V				ŀ	+	
NOTE	S: <sup>(#</sup> Soil o	igin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. ("Cons	istency/Rela	tive den	sity shac	ding is fo	or visual	referen	ce only - no	correlatio	92 on betwe	en cohesive	and granular	materials is	implied.	I		I	<u> </u>
PLA	NT: N	Aultidrill 4.0T							OPER	ATOF	t: Ti	access				LOG	GED:	Reih	er-Smith

PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T

METHOD: Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 2.6m, NMLC coring to 6.37m **REMARKS:** 

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: HQ to 2.6m



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				COI	NDITIO	NS I	ENCO	UNTI	ERED	)							SA	MPLI	E			TESTING
							SOIL						ROC	Ж	1		ļ					
	GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	۲		RECOVERY (%)	RQD	ERACTURE     SPACING     Small     (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	-		5.00	SANDSTONE: grey orange; with ironstaining / ironstain infill SILTSTONE: grey red; with ironstaining / ironstain infill					sw			м	100	92		- 502m C - 547m C - 555m C - 558m C - 578m P - 578m P - 585m P - 585m P - 593-6.3	)8 )8 )8 )9 9, SH, PR, ), SH, PR, 7m: DB					
			7 7 8 8	Borehole discontinued at 6.37m depth. Auger TC refusal / change to NMLC coring.		4							<u> </u>			и						
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Р М	LAN ETI	NI: HOI	™ D:	Solid flight auger with TC Bit t	o 2.6m.	NM	LC co	rina t	o 6.3 <sup>.</sup>	7m	OF	-EKA	IOR:	: 16	access			1	LUG( CASI	a⊑D: NG: ∣	Reih HQ to	er-Smith 2.6m



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LOCATION ID: BH44 **DATE:** 16/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 2.60-6.37 m depth



CLIENT:

PROJECT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 104.1 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:315621.6, N:6412380.0

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH48 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 17/07/24 SHEET: 1 of 1

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING SOIL ROCK FRACTURE
 SPACING
 (m) Ð CONSIS." STRENGTH RESULTS GROUNDWATEF RECOVERY (%) DEFECTS & REMARKS ٥ð TEST TYPE MOISTURE Sample Remarks DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND **NTERVAL** GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ ВG RL (m) OF 55 STRATA 99: 99: NA TOP w<Pl TOPSOIL / Silty Sandy CLAY 17/07/24 No free groundwater observed 0.05 (CL): dark brown; low D 0.10 104 plasticity; with rootlets RS UK Μ Clayey SAND (SC): brown; fine 0.30 to coarse; with rootlets. Sandy CLAY (CL-CI), trace gravel: brown; low to medium D 0.50 RS UK w<PL plasticity; fine to coarse sand; fine to medium, sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel; iron D 0.70 5/150 (HB) SPT refusal (double bounce) 0.75 staining. 0.75 Ĭ SPT ш 0.82m: JT, 30°, IR, Fe, RF SANDSTONE: pale grey, fine -0.84 PLT -PL(D)=0.51MPa to coarse grained; iron staining PL(A)=0.73MPa 1 1 нw 100 91 1.12m: P, SH, PR, RF -6 1:39 129-1.31m: CS нw м 1.41m: P, SH, PR, Fe, RF 1 4 2 1.42 CONGLOMERATE: pale grey VL 1.50 89 46 1.60m: P, SH, PR, -PL(D)=0.85MPa 50 PLT PL(A)=0.67MPa 1.69 VL 1.81m; P. 70°, PR. RF -1.86 HW 1.94m: JT x2, 70°, PR. RF 100 0 2 2 ii 2.00-2.13m: F 102 220m: JT, 60°, PR, RF 2.23m-2.29m: possibly siderite, still part of 100 0 conglomerate matrix 2.30m: JT x2, 20°, PR, RF 2.30 TUFF: pale grey 2.33 SEAM SEAM 2.33-2.40m: CS -2.40 М 2.40-2.44m: F -2.53 2.66m: P, SH, PR, RF VL HW 2.75 2 75 SILTSTONE: dark grey 2.80m: JT, 10°, IR, RF 2.87m: JT x2, SV, PR, RF 2.97 2.97 3 SANDSTONE: grey, fine to coarse grained; iron staining SEAM 100 0 SEAM 2.97-3.23m: CS -5 3.23 ⊤PL(D)=0.27MPa ⊤PL(A)=0.47MPa 325m; P. SH. IR. PLT RF 3.38m: P. SH. PR. RF HW 3.44m; P. SH. PR. TI Fe 3.50m: P. SH. PR. RF 3.58m; P. SH. PR 3.73 RF HW 11111 3.63m: JT. 10°. PB Fe, RF 3.72-3.75m: CS Borehole discontinued at 3.80m depth Limit of investigation. 4 Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Combined Log MSoil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual reference only - no correlation between cohesive and granular materials is implied NOTES: PLANT: DT100 OPERATOR: Ground Test (Douglas) LOGGED: Huynh CASING: HWT to 0.75m

**METHOD:** Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 0.75 m, NMLC coring to 3.8 m **REMARKS:** 



Douglas

## **CORE PHOTO LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 104.1 AHD COORDINATE: E:315621.6, N:6412380.0 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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0.75-3.80 m depth



 CLIENT:
 Ausgrid

 PROJECT:
 Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 LOCATION:
 Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

## **BOREHOLE LOG**

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 120.0 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:314661.0, N:6415043.1

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH49 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 10/04/24 SHEET: 1 of 2



**METHOD:** Solid flight auger to 2.4m, NMLC coring to 7m **REMARKS:** 

CASING: Uncased



 CLIENT:
 Ausgrid

 PROJECT:
 Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 LOCATION:
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# **BOREHOLE LOG**

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 120.0 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:314661.0, N:6415043.1

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH49 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 10/04/24 SHEET: 2 of 2



**METHOD:** Solid flight auger to 2.4m, NMLC coring to 7m **REMARKS:** 

LOGGED: Duffy CASING: Uncased

Douglas

## **CORE PHOTO LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 120.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:314661.0, N:6415043.1 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH49 **DATE:** 10/04/24 SHEET: 1 of 1



Box 1 of 1: 2.40-7.00 m depth





SURFACE LEVEL: 142.2 AHD

LOCATION ID: BH50

**REMARKS:** 

Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Soil Log

CLIENT:

Ausgrid





 SURFACE LEVEL:
 142.2 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:314100.2, N:6416551.0

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH50 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 10/04/24 SHEET: 2 of 2





## **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 129.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:312213.0, N:6418412.0 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH51 **DATE:** 13/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

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						SOIL	-		T	T		ROC	Ж	1							
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	M L M STRENGTH		RECOVERY (%)	RQD	FRACTURE SPACING (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
lering	•	0.10	TOPSOIL / Silty CLAY (CH), trace sand: dark brown; high plasticity: fine sand: abundant	× × ×	ТОР	NA St	w>PL w=PL w>PL									i		-			
whilst aug	-		organics. Silty CLAY (CH): grey brown;	× × ×	×	VSt	w=PL	-									D		- 0.20 -		
dwater observed	129	- -	high plasticity.		×	VSt	w <pl or w=PL</pl 										D		- 0.50 - 	- PP -	—250-350kPa
4 No free groun	-	1_	0.80m: trace sand and gravel content	× × × ×	×												D		 - 1.00 -		—90-100kPa
13/02/2	•		-	× × × ×	ALV												D		- ·	SPT	2,1,2 N=3
	128	-	- - -	× × ×	×	F to St	w=PL												- 1.45 -	PP	—90-120kPa
	-	2		× × × × ×	×														_ 2 _		
				××	×																
	127	2.20	Sandy CLAY (CI), with silt: orange brown mottled pale grey; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; extremely weathered sandstone.				w <pl< td=""><td>-</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>D</td><td></td><td>- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·</td><td>SPT</td><td>20/140 —&gt;400kPa</td></pl<>	-									D		- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	SPT	20/140 —>400kPa
		2.70	SANDSTONE: orange brown grey, fine to medium grained; with iron staining						-2.70-	U	1	100	50		2.70-2	2.80m: FG 2.94m: HB					
	ŀ	5							-3.00-			100	60		2.94-3 - 3.13m	:.00m: FG : DB : P, SH, PR,					
	26	-										_		ſ	RF 325m 325-3 337m RF	: DB 3.33m: FG : P, SH, UN,					
		•	3.50m-5.6/m: possible occasional interbedded siltstone bands 3.64m-3.65m: interbedded									100	75		- 3.60m	: DB 9.72m: FG : P, SH, PR,					
<sub>B</sub>	ŀ	4 _	3.70m: with subhorizontal laminations					MW		LL to					- 391m	DB			_ 4 _		
combined Li	-	-									n				4.05-4	.15m: DB					
URE-GS by Geroc - C	125	- -	4.30m: with iron stain laminations dipping 0°-10°									100	78		4.40m PR, R 4.50m 4.53m	: JB : JT, 20°-30°, F : DB : DB : DB			  		
Generated with C	S: (#)S	oil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consi	stencv/Rel	ative der	sity sha	ding is fo	or visual	referen	ce only -	- 110 C	prrelation	betwee	n cohesive	and granula	ar materials is	implied		 		

### PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T

**METHOD:** Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 2.7m, NMLC coring to 5.7m REMARKS: Relocated bore approx 250m due to boggy access

OPERATOR: Tracess

LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: HQ to 2.7m

Douglas

# **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 129.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:312213.0, N:6418412.0 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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			CON	DITIO	NS E	ENCO	UNTI	ERE	)					SA	MPLI	Ε			TESTING
						SOIL					ROC	ĸ		]					
GROUNDWATER	124 RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA [CONT] SANDSTONE: orange brown grey, fine to medium grained; with iron staining 4.96m-4.98m: interbedded clay band	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	≪ WEATH.	DEPTH (m)		THECOVERY (%)	<b>QQ</b> 78	B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B B	SAMPLE SAMPLE SAMPLE T, 10°, PR, 2m: DB 7m: JT, 60° , RF 7m: FG	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
		6 6 7 7 8 9 9 0	Borehole discontinued at 5.67m depth. Auger TC refusal / change to NMLC coring.	tency/Rela	tive de	nsity shad	ing is fc		referenc		correlation	betwe	en cohesive and granular	materiāls is	implied.			Paih	er.Smith
PLA	NI:	M	ultidrill 4.01							OPER	ATOR:	Ir	acess			LOG	GED:	Reih	er-Smith

METHOD: Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 2.7m, NMLC coring to 5.7m **REMARKS:** Relocated bore approx 250m due to boggy access

CASING: HQ to 2.7m



### **CORE PHOTO LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 129.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:312213.0, N:6418412.0 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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Box 1 of 1: 2.70-5.67 m depth



SURFACE LEVEL: 210.4 AHD COORDINATE: E:305846.5, N:6432371.6 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH52 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 12/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2





CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook



SURFACE LEVEL: 210.4 AHD COORDINATE: E:305846.5, N:6432371.6 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH52 DATE: 12/02/24 SHEET: 2 of 2

	1		CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED			-		SAN	<b>IPLE</b>	1	-		TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	REMARKS	туре	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	205	6	[CONT] Sandy Gravelly CLAY (CI), with silt: grey brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; sub- angular to sub-rounded gravel; gravel content appears to be natural.		RS	н	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>D/SPT</td><td></td><td>- 5.50</td><td>SPT</td><td>20/130 Refusal</td></pl<>		D/SPT		- 5.50	SPT	20/130 Refusal
			Borehole discontinued at 6.00m depth. Limit of investigation.										
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NOTE	ES: <sup>(#)</sup> S	oil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. " <sup>II</sup> Consistency/Relative density shading	g is for visual r	reference	only - no c	orrelation be	etween cohesiv	e and gra	anular m	naterials is	s implied	
PLA ME	NT:	D:	ultidrill 4.0T Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 6.0m		(	OPERA	TOR:	Traccess					LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: Uncased



CLIENT:

PROJECT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

Hunter Pole Replacement Program

 SURFACE LEVEL:
 231.4 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:305021.1, N:6431723.6

 DATUM/GRID:
 MGA2020 Zone 56

 DIP/AZIMUTH:
 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH53 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 12/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2



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**REMARKS:** 



CLIENT:

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LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

PROJECT: Hunter Pole Replacement Program

SURFACE LEVEL: 231.4 AHD COORDINATE: E:305021.1, N:6431723.6 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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8.100     Shity SAND (SM, with clay, with prave): brawn, filme       8     and distribution (SM, with clay, with prave): brawn, filme       8     and distribution (SM, with clay, with prave): brawn, filme       8     and distribution (SM, with clay, with prave): brawn, filme       8     and distribution (SM, with clay, with prave): brawn, filme       8     and distribution (SM, with clay, with prave): brawn, filme       8     Borehole discontinued at 5.60m depth.       STT Refural (Nammer Souncing) on inferred sandatone / complexitions     5.60m       9     and discontinued at 5.60m depth.       9     and discontinued at 5.60m depth.       9     and discontinued at 5.60m       9     and discontinued at 5	GROUNDWATER RL (m) DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
Borehole discontinued at 5.60 method social constrained bandwide and social constrained sandstone / conglomerate badrock.	5.00 -92 -72	Silty SAND (SM), with clay, with gravel: brown; fine to coarse; sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel; gravel content appears to be natural, extremely weathered sandstone / conglomerate.		хwм		D		D/SPT		- 5.50 -	SPT	20/100 Refusal
		Borehole discontinued at 5.60m depth. SPT Refusal (hammer bouncing) on inferred sandstone / conglomerate bedrock.				·				- 5.60 -		
	6											
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NOTES: "Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual reference only - no correlation between cohesive and granular materials is implied.  PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T  PERATOR: Traccess  LOGGED: Reiher-Smith  METHOD: Solid flight augor with TC Bit to 5.5m SPT refugal 5.5m to 5.5m		in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consistency/Relative density shading ultidrill 4.0T	5 5m +-	reference (	only - no	correlation	between cohesiv	ve and gra	anular m	aterials is	s implied	LOGGED: Reiher-Smith





SURFACE LEVEL: 176.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:304184.2, N:6430929.1 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: BH54 PROJECT No: 226603.00 DATE: 12/02/24 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING AND REMARKS CONSIS.<sup>(1)</sup> DENSITY.<sup>(1)</sup> GROUNDWATEF **TYPE** MOISTURE RESULTS Ē REMARKS DEPTH (m) INTERVAL GRAPHIC ORIGIN(#) DEPTH ( AND DESCRIPTION Түре REMARKS ۲ ۳ OF STRATA TOPSOIL / Silty SAND (SM), with clay: grey brown; 12/02/24 No free groundwater observed тор NA D 0.10 fine to coarse; abundant organics. Silty SAND (SM), with clay: grey brown; fine to COL to D D 0.20 MD coarse 0.30 Sandy CLAY (CI), with silt: orange grey brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand. VSt D 0.50 COL w<Pl to H D 0.70 0.80 Sandy Gravelly CLAY (CH): brown orange; high plasticity; fine to coarse sand; sub-angular to sub-175 rounded gravel; gravel content appears to be natural, 1 1.00 >400kPa with buried cobbles of varying size. D/SP1 7,18,10 N=28 SPT VSt to H COL w<PL ossibly RS 1.45 2.00 2 Silty CLAY (CH), with gravel, trace sand: red brown; high plasticity; sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel; fine to medium sand: trace carbonaceous inclusions. 2.50 PP >400kPa D/SPT SPT 5,9,11 N=20 173 2.95 3 VSt w<PI RS to H w=PL 172 4 -250-450kPa Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Soil Log D/SPT SPT 6,7,9 N=16 4.45 4.60 Silty CLAY (CH), with sand, trace gravel: orange brown pale grey; high plasticity; fine sand; sub-St angular to sub-rounded gravel; gravel content RS to VSt w=PL appears to be natural, trace carbonaceous inclusions Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual reference." NOTES and granular materials is impli **OPERATOR:** Traccess PLANT: Multidrill 4.0T LOGGED: Reiher-Smith CASING: Uncased



METHOD: Solid flight auger with TC Bit to 6.0m

REMARKS: Test location offset approx 170m due to no access for vehicles / drill rig

CLIENT:

PROJECT:

Ausgrid

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

Hunter Pole Replacement Program



 SURFACE LEVEL:
 176.0 AHD

 COORDINATE:
 E:304184.2, N:6430929.1

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CLIENT: AUSGRID

PROJECT: HUNTER POLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

REDUCED LEVEL: 53.4 m AHD

COORDINATES: 319090E 6394481N GDA2020 Zone 56

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**REMARKS:** TEST DISCONTINUED DUE TO REFUSAL ON INFERRED WEATHERED ROCK NO GROUNDWATER OBSERVED AFTER WITHDRAWAL OF RODS

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PROJECT: HUNTER POLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

REDUCED LEVEL: 51.2 m AHD

COORDINATES: 318560E 6396366N GDA2020 Zone 56

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**REMARKS:** TEST DISCONTINUED DUE TO REFUSAL ON INFERRED WEATHERED ROCK GROUNDWATER OBSERVED AT 7.2M AFTER WITHDRAWAL OF RODS

### Water depth after test: 7.20m depth (measured)

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PROJECT: HUNTER POLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

REDUCED LEVEL: 57.5 m AHD

COORDINATES: 319647E 6404879N GDA2020 Zone 56

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**REMARKS:** TEST DISCONTINUED DUE TO REFUSAL ON INFERRED WEATHERED ROCK NO GROUNDWATER OBSERVED AFTER WITHDRAWAL OF RODS

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CLIENT: AUSGRID

PROJECT: HUNTER POLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

REDUCED LEVEL:67.2 m AHD

COORDINATES: 318199E 6407571N MGA2020 Zone 56

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	Cone Resistance g <sub>e</sub> (MPa)	Sleeve Friction f <sub>s</sub> (kPa)		Friction Ratio R <sub>f</sub> (%)
Depth (m)			Soil Behaviour Type	0 2 4 6 8 10 Deptr (m)
		S. D.	AND / Clayey SAND: Dense to Very ense	
1-		S	AND: Medium Dense	
2-		S, S, SI	AND with some SILTY SAND / SANDY ILT: Medium Dense	
4 -				
_	End at 4.34m q <sub>c</sub> = 47.1		4.34	
5 -				- 5
6 -				-6
7 -				-7
8-				
10				9

REMARKS: TEST DISCONTINUED DUE TO BENDING REFUSAL NO GROUNDWATER OBSERVED AFTER WITHDRAWAL OF RODS

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 Type: I-CFXY-10
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CLIENT: AUSGRID

PROJECT: HUNTER POLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

REDUCED LEVEL:72.4 m AHD

COORDINATES: 317856E 6408781N MGA2020 Zone 56

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	Cone Resistance q <sub>c</sub> (MPa)	Sleeve Friction f <sub>s</sub> (kPa)		Friction Ratio R <sub>f</sub> (%)
Depth (m)			Soil Behaviour Type	0 2 4 6 8 10
T <sup>0</sup>		5.0	CEMENTED SAND / CLAYEY SAND and GRAVELLY SAND: Dense to Very Dense	
1 -			CEMENTED SAND / CLAYEY SAND and SAND: Medium Dense to Dense	.83
2-			GRAVELLY SAND and SAND: Very Dense	.45
			SAND with some GRAVELLY SAND: Medium Dense to Dense	.19
3 -				-3
	End at 3.26m q <sub>c</sub> = 35.2		3	.26
4 -				-4
5 -				-5
0-				
7 -				-7
8 -				
9 -				9

REMARKS: TEST DISCONTINUED DUE TO BENDING REFUSAL NO GROUNDWATER OBSERVED AFTER WITHDRAWAL OF RODS

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 MUSWELLBROOK, Pole Replacement\4.0 Field Work\4.2 Testing\CPT\CPT46.CP5

 Cone ID:
 200313
 Type: I-CFXY-10
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CLIENT: AUSGRID

PROJECT: HUNTER POLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

LOCATION: Kurri Kurri to Muswellbrook

REDUCED LEVEL: 79.2 m AHD

COORDINATES: 317472E 6410222N MGA2020 Zone 56

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	Cone Resista g. (MPa)	nce			Sleev f. (kF	ve Friction							Friction	Ratio		
Depth	0 10	20	30 4	0 5	0 0	100 2	200 30	00 40	00 50	0	Soil Behaviour Type	(	) 2 4	168 1	3 10	Dep
(m) 0 - 1 -	0.0 1.0	2.0 3	3.0 4	.0 5.	°						SAND and SILTY SAND / SANDY SILT: Medium Dense to Dense SAND / CLAYEY SAND: Medium Dense to Dense SILTY SAND / SANDY SILT and SAND:	0.85 1.03	5			(m) - 1
2 -			**								SAND with some SILTY SAND / SANDY	2.49				- 2
3 -	End at 3.96m	2 q <sub>c</sub> = 15.8			LM A.						SILT: Medium Dense to Dense	3.96				- 3
5 -																- 5
6 -																- 6
7 -																- 7
9-																- 9

REMARKS: TEST DISCONTINUED DUE TO BENDING REFUSAL NO GROUNDWATER OBSERVED AFTER WITHDRAWAL OF RODS

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# Appendix C

Results of Laboratory Testing



## **CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS 349150**

Client Details	
Client	Douglas Partners Newcastle
Attention	Michael Gawn
Address	Box 324 Hunter Region Mail Centre, Newcastle, NSW, 2310

Sample Details	
Your Reference	226603.00 Muswellbrook
Number of Samples	5 Soil
Date samples received	18/04/2024
Date completed instructions received	18/04/2024

## **Analysis Details**

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**<u>Results Approved By</u>** Priya Samarawickrama, Senior Chemist <u>Authorised By</u> Nancy Zhang, Laboratory Manager



Misc Inorg - Soil						
Our Reference		349150-1	349150-2	349150-3	349150-4	349150-5
Your Reference	UNITS	BH28	BH33c	BH50	BH50	BH49
Depth		1-1.45	2.5-2.95	1-1.45	3.5-3.95	1-1.45
Date Sampled		12/04/2024	12/04/2024	10/04/2024	10/04/2024	10/04/2024
Type of sample		Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil
Date prepared	-	18/04/2024	18/04/2024	18/04/2024	18/04/2024	22/04/2024
Date analysed	-	23/04/2024	23/04/2024	23/04/2024	23/04/2024	23/04/2024
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units	8.0	8.6	9.4	7.5	9.0
Electrical Conductivity 1:5 soil:water	µS/cm	770	830	170	660	150
Chloride, Cl 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	590	1,000	50	720	110
Sulphate, SO4 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	660	33	84	67	55

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QUALITY	CONTROL:	Misc Ino	org - Soil			Du	plicate		Spike Re	covery %
Test Description	Units	PQL	Method	Blank	#	Base	Dup.	RPD	LCS-1	[NT]
Date prepared	-			18/04/2024	1	18/04/2024	18/04/2024		18/04/2024	[NT]
Date analysed	-			23/04/2024	1	23/04/2024	23/04/2024		23/04/2024	
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units		Inorg-001	[NT]	1	8.0	8.0	0	100	[NT]
Electrical Conductivity 1:5 soil:water	μS/cm	1	Inorg-002	<1	1	770	810	5	102	[NT]
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Client	Douglas Partners Newcastle
Attention	Michael Gawn
Address	Box 324 Hunter Region Mail Centre, Newcastle, NSW, 2310

Sample Details	
Your Reference	226603.00 Muswellbrook
Number of Samples	2 Soil
Date samples received	25/07/2024
Date completed instructions received	25/07/2024

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Soil Aggressivity			
Our Reference		357436-1	357436-2
Your Reference	UNITS	31A	48
Depth		2.5-2.95	0.5
Date Sampled		17/07/2024	17/07/2024
Type of sample		Soil	Soil
Date prepared	-	25/07/2024	25/07/2024
Date analysed	-	26/07/2024	26/07/2024
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units	7.6	6.4
Electrical Conductivity 1:5 soil:water	μS/cm	840	86
Chloride, Cl 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	1,100	24
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## **Report Comments**

Samples received out the holding time.



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Attention	Michael Gawn
Address	Box 324 Hunter Region Mail Centre, Newcastle, NSW, 2310

Sample Details	
Your Reference	226603.00, Muswellbrook
Number of Samples	19 Soil
Date samples received	26/03/2024
Date completed instructions received	26/03/2024

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Misc Inorg - Soil						
Our Reference		347446-1	347446-2	347446-3	347446-4	347446-5
Your Reference	UNITS	4	3	8	11	13
Depth		1-1.45	1-1.45	2.5-2.95	1-1.45	1-1.45
Date Sampled		30/01/2024	31/01/2024	01/02/2024	02/02/2024	06/02/2024
Type of sample		Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil
Date prepared	-	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024
Date analysed	-	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units	7.4	5.4	8.1	8.9	5.8
Electrical Conductivity 1:5 soil:water	µS/cm	1,500	70	640	150	190
Chloride, Cl 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	2,200	10	690	92	54
Sulphate, SO4 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	730	100	270	46	170

Misc Inorg - Soil						
Our Reference		347446-6	347446-7	347446-8	347446-9	347446-10
Your Reference	UNITS	15	17	19	21	23
Depth		0.4-0.5	0.5-0.8	0.5-0.8	0.4-0.6	0.5-0.8
Date Sampled		02/02/2024	06/02/2024	16/02/2024	07/02/2024	09/02/2024
Type of sample		Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil
Date prepared	-	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024
Date analysed	-	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units	7.3	5.2	4.5	6.6	4.8
Electrical Conductivity 1:5 soil:water	µS/cm	15	820	760	21	540
Chloride, Cl 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	<10	990	750	<10	500
Sulphate, SO4 1:5 soil:water	mg/kg	<10	650	540	<10	450

Misc Inorg - Soil						
Our Reference		347446-11	347446-12	347446-13	347446-14	347446-15
Your Reference	UNITS	27	29	30	40	41
Depth		0.5-0.8	0.5-0.8	1-1.3	0.5-0.8	1-1.26
Date Sampled		08/02/2024	14/02/2024	14/02/2024	13/02/2024	13/02/2024
Type of sample		Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil
Date prepared	-	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024
Date analysed	-	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024
pH 1:5 soil:water	pH Units	6.6	5.3	8.9	7.6	5.3
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Our Reference		347446-16	347446-17	347446-18	347446-19
Your Reference	UNITS	42	44	51	53
Depth		0.5-0.8	1-1.3	0.5-0.8	0.5-0.8
Date Sampled		16/02/2024	16/02/2024	13/02/2024	12/02/2024
Type of sample		Soil	Soil	Soil	Soil
Date prepared	-	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024
Date analysed	-	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024	28/03/2024
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MISC\_INORG\_DRY: # Percent recovery is not applicable due to the high concentration of the analyte/s in the sample/s. However an acceptable recovery was obtained for the LCS.

# Appendix D

Test Location Plans





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# Report on Geotechnical Investigation New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation Lot 9 DP250890 Hebden Road, Muswellbrook

# 1. Introduction

This report presents the results of a geotechnical investigation undertaken for a proposed new substation adjacent to the existing Muswellbrook Substation at Lot 9 DP250890 Hebden Road, Muswellbrook. The investigation was commissioned in an email dated 20 September 2023 by Paul Hurst and Sulev Kalamae of Ausgrid and was undertaken in accordance with Douglas Partners Pty Ltd (DP) proposal dated 18 September 2023.

It is understood that the proposed development of the site includes a new 132 kV Sub-Transmission Substation. The proposed development is outlined in Section 2 of this report.

The purpose of the investigation was to provide information and comments on the following:

- A summary of investigation methods;
- Borehole logs and core photos (if required) as well as test location plan;
- Summarised subsurface conditions, noting rock and groundwater depths, if encountered;
- Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) and interpretated dynamic parameters;
- Thermal resistivity test results;
- Soil aggressivity of buried structural elements with reference to AS 2159 (2009);
- Soil erosion and dispersion characteristics, as well as methods to deal with problem soils and suitable construction methods;
- Excavation conditions (to the depth of investigation);
- Safe batter slopes and temporary support for excavations;
- Geotechnical suitability of excavated material for re-use as filling;
- Site classification with reference to AS 2870 (2011) and characteristic surface movement (y<sub>s</sub>);
- Shallow (pads / strips) and reinforced slab foundation options if suitable, including founding depths and design parameters (e.g. allowable bearing pressures);
- Bored pile founding depths and end bearing capacity design parameters;
- Retaining wall design parameters (Bulk density, Ka, Ko and Kp values);
- Design subgrade California Bearing ratio (CBR);
- Flexible and rigid pavement thickness design in accordance with relevant Austroads guidelines for the proposed transformer driveway; and
- Earthworks preparation measures (fill layer thickness and compaction requirements).



The investigation included the drilling of 30 boreholes and laboratory testing of selected samples. The details of the field work are presented in this report, together with comments and recommendations on the items listed above.

DP has undertaken a preliminary contamination and waste classification assessment (DP 2023) in conjunction with the geotechnical report, which is reported separately. DP (2023) indicates that limited soil contamination is present, and the report should be read in conjunction with this report.

# 2. Site Description

The site is located at Lot 9 DP250890 Hebden Road, Muswellbrook (refer Table 1). The site generally consists of vacant grassed land and at the time of the investigation was being used for cattle grazing.

Hebden Road and the North West Rail Line is located immediately north of the northern site boundary and Lake Lidell is located on the southern boundary of the site.

The site falls from the northern boundary, generally to the south, south-east and south-west at relatively uniform and low grades from a maximum of RL 138 (AHD) adjacent to Hebden Road, to approximately RL 128 adjacent to Lake Lidell.

Site vegetation comprised mature trees in the north-western portion, juvenile to semi-mature trees along all site boundaries and grass cover across the entirety of the site.

A narrow gully is situated along the eastern boundary and falls from north to south, from Hebden Road and outflows in to Lake Lidell.

Item	Details
Allotment Identification	Lot 9 DP250890 Hebden Road, Muswellbrook
Street Address	Lot 9 Deposited Plan 250890
Locality	8.9 ha
Site Area	Zone RE1 Public Recreation
Local Government Area	Muswellbrook Shire Council
Current Land Use	Vacant – grazing land

## **Table 1: Site Identification**

A part of the site is shown in Figure 1 below.





Figure 1: Site Facing South-West toward Lake Lidell.

## 3. Published Data

Reference to the NSW Hunter Coalfield Regional geology sheet (1:100,000) indicates that the western portion of the site is underlain by Permian aged Mulbring Siltstone, part of the Maitland Group, which comprises siltstone, claystone and minor fine-grained sandstone. The far eastern portion of the site is underlain by late Permian Saltwater Creek formation of the Whittingham Coal Measures which forms part of the Singleton Supergroup and is characterised by sandstone, siltstone and minor coaly bands.

The bores encountered residual clay soils overlying rocks of the Mulbring Siltstone.

Reference to published mapping indicates that the site is not within an area of known acid sulfate soils (ASS).

The site is not located within a proclaimed mine subsidence district.



# 4. **Proposed Development**

The proposed development is understood to comprise:

- An outdoor switch yard;
- Prefabricated single storey metal clad and steel framed building;
- Mobile Equipment Room or 'MER' to be installed on top of foundations;
- Associated electrical infrastructure works may include either a new or a modified concrete slab, some steelwork, framed cable support structures and a number of in-ground conduit banks and possibly concrete cable jointing pits;
- Two synchronous condensers and associated foundations and buildings;
- Retaining walls up to 2 m in height;
- Buried pipes and electrical services;
- Earthworks to comprise cut and fill to create a platform for overlying construction; and
- Associated exit/entry pavement.

The client provided a typical design drawing of a substation switchgear replacement, which is proposed at the site, and which is titled "ZN 228 Stockton – 33/11kV Substation 11 kV Switchgear Replacement Civil & Structural Works Transportable 11 kV Switch Building Support Structure Details – Sheet 1", and the drawing has been attached for information within Appendix C.

No structural loads were provided to DP at the time of this report.

The approximate layout of the proposed development is shown on Drawing 1, Appendix A

## 5. Field Work

## 5.1 Field Work Methods

Field work for the investigation was generally undertaken in the period of the 25 September 2023 to 20 October 2023 and comprised the following:

- A site walkover by an environmental engineer to set out test locations in areas accessible and free from buried services. The test locations were nominated by the client and DP;
- Drilling of 30 bores (Bores 1 to 29, and 27A) using a purpose-built geotechnical drilling rig. The bores were drilled to depths ranging from 1.0 m to 20.74 m depth, using solid flight auger, rotary and NMLC coring methods;
  - Installation of three piezometers in Bores 5, 23 and 29 for the purpose of enabling groundwater level measurement. Screens were installed at depths from 1.0 m to 4.0 m (Bores 5 and 23) and 1.0 m to 7.0 m (Bore 29);
- The piezometers were purged after installation and groundwater readings conducted on 20 October 2023;


- Installation of two grouted in 85 mm diameter PVC (Bores 21 and 27A) to 20 m depth for the purpose of seismic testing;
- Thermal resistivity in-situ testing and laboratory testing was undertaken at selected depths and test locations. Further methods on field testing and laboratory testing is outlined in Section 7.11 of this report;
- The test locations were set out by an engineer from DP who also logged the subsurface profile at each test location and collected samples for identification and laboratory testing purposes. In-situ testing in the soil profile comprised of standard penetration testing and pocket penetrometer testing at selected depths / locations;
- The test locations were recorded in GDA2020 using a differential GPS and are considered accurate to ±0.1 m, depending on satellite coverage, and the results are documented on the attached Borehole Logs. The locations of the tests are shown on Drawing 1 in Appendix C.

# 5.2 Field Work Results

The subsurface conditions encountered at the test locations are presented in detail in the Borehole logs included in Appendix A. These should be read in conjunction with the general notes preceding them, which explain the descriptive terms and classification methods used in the reports.

The subsurface conditions encountered within the test locations have been categorised into broad geotechnical units according to their inferred geological origin, as follows:

- Unit 1 Topsoil (organics and silts):
  - o Unit 1A (Clayey Silt with Organics) Topsoil;
  - o Unit 1B (Clayey Silt): Typically very stiff to hard in consistency; and
- Unit 2 Residual soils; Silty Clay or Sandy Clay. Typically very stiff to hard in consistency;
- Unit 3: Rock: Siltstone:
  - o Unit 3A Extremely weathered material (soil like properties);
  - o Unit 3B Very low to low strength;
  - o Unit 3C Low to medium strength; and
  - o Unit 3D Medium to high strength.

The predominant subsurface conditions encountered within the bores are summarised in Table 2 below.



## Table 2: Summary of Boreholes (1 of 2)

Borehole	)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
RL (AHD)	)	137.9	136.8	135.7	134.8	137.0	138.5	138.5	137.9	136.1	135.8	137.4	134.9	138.8	136.3	137.5
Material Description	Unit							De	pth Range (	m)						
Topsoil (organics and silt)	1A	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05
Clayey Silt (Typically VST to H)	1B	NE	0.05 - 0.20	NE	NE	0.05 - 0.60	0.05 - 0.20	NE	0.05 - 0.20	0.05 - 0.30	NE	0.05 - 0.20	NE	NE	NE	NE
Silty Clay / Sandy Clay (Typically VST to H)	2	0.05 - 1.04	0.20 - 4.00	0.05 - 3.25	0.05 - 1.10	0.60 - 2.70	0.20 - 2.50	0.05 - 1.00	0.20 - 2.6	0.30 - 2.55	0.05 - 2.65	0.20 - 2. 55	0.05 - 1.00	0.05 - 1.00	0.05 - 2.20	0.05 - 2. 65
Siltstone (Extremely Weathered Material)	3A	NE	(2.5-4.0)	3.25 - 6.20	NE	(1.0-2.7)	(1.5-2.55)	(0.7-1.0)	(1.10 - 2.60)	(1.5-2.55)	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Siltstone (Typically VL to L)	3B	NE	NE	6.20 - 10.30	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Siltstone (Typically L to M)	3C	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Siltstone (Typically M to H)	3D	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Free Ground Observation	water s (m)	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO

Notes to Table:

NE – Not encountered

NFGWO – No free groundwater observed

VL - very low strength, L - Low Strength, M - Medium Strength, H - High Strength

(1.5-2.3) grading to weathered material

It should be noted that layers of extremely weathered material and clay lined discontinuities where present within layers of the rock Units listed above, and that some limited layers of weaker/stronger rock was encountered in the Units summarised above.



## Table 2: Summary of Boreholes (2 of 2)

		· /														
Borehol	e	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	27A	28	29
RL (AHD	)	138.0	137.0	135.1	136.5	135.4	136.4	134.0	136.5	135.5	134.7	133.6	134.8	134.9	135.6	132.4
Material Description	Unit		-		-	-		De	epth Range (	( <b>m</b> )	_	-		_	-	-
Topsoil (organics and silt)	1A	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05	NE	0.0-0.05	0.0-0.05
Clayey Silt (Typically VST to H)	1B	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	0.05 - 0.40	NE	0.05 - 0.60	NE	NE	NE	0.05 - 0.60	NE
Silty Clay / Sandy Clay (Typically VST to H)	2A	0.05 - 2.80	0.05 - 2.70	0.05 - 1.14	0.05 - 1.10	0.05 - 2.00	0.05 - 3.0	0.05 - 1.00	0.40 - 2.70	0.05 - 2.60	0.60 - 2.85	0.05 - 2.05	0.05 - 2.50	NE	0.60 - 2.70	0.05 - 2.50
Siltstone (Extremely Weathered Material)	3A	NE	NE	NE	NE	2.00 - 3.04	-	1.00 - 3.50	NE	2.60 - 3.86	NE	NE	2.50 - 4.00	NE	NE	2.50 - 3.2
Siltstone (Typically VL to L)	3B	NE	NE	NE	NE	3.04 - 9.04	3.00 - 8.96	NE	NE	3.86 - 8.00	NE	NE	4.00 - 8.68	NE	NE	3.2 - 10.30
Siltstone (Typically L to M)	3C	NE	NE	NE	NE	9.04 - 10.30	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	8.68-11.17	NE	NE	NE
Siltstone (Typically M to H)	3D	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	8.96 - 20.74	NE	NE	8.00 - 11.53	NE	NE	11.17 - 16.40	15.80 - 20.55	NE	NE
Free Ground Observation	water s (m)	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO	NFGWO

Notes to Table:

NE – Not encountered

NFGWO – No free groundwater observed

VL - very low strength, L - Low Strength, M - Medium Strength, H - High Strength

It should be noted that layers of extremely weathered material and clay lined discontinuities where present within layers of the rock Units listed above, and that some limited layers of weaker/stronger rock was encountered in the Units summarised above.



## 5.3 Groundwater

No free groundwater was observed during the auger drilling of the bores. Piezometers installed in Bores 5 and 23 did not contain groundwater upon initial groundwater measurement on 20 October 2023.

It should be noted that groundwater levels are affected by factors such as climatic conditions and soil permeability and will therefore vary with time.

# 5.4 Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP)

DP engaged GBG Australia as a subconsultant to undertake Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) within Bores 21 and 27A, for the purpose of estimating dynamic parameters. DP drilled these bores to 20 m depth each to allow 85 mm PVC casing to be installed. The bore annulus between the casing and outer bore walls was grouted with a cement water grout. It should be noted that Bore 27 was terminated at approximately 17 m depth due to the core barrel becoming stuck within the rock and was not able to be retrieved. It is understood that a mechanical failure of the drill string is the reason for the malfunction. Bore 27A was redrilled to 20 m depth to allow Seismic testing to occur.

The results of the VSP investigation undertaken by GBG along with dynamic parameters calculated by GBG are presented within the Geophysical Report in Appendix D. It is noted that the seismic velocities and resulting dynamic parameters provided in the GBG Australia report were calculated using two distinct approaches:

- 1. Using the average p and s-wave velocities calculated based on travel times between the surface and measurement depth; and
- 2. Interval velocities calculated based on the difference between the observed travel times of pairs of successively deeper measurements (1 m depth intervals).

It is noted that the interval velocities and calculated dynamic parameters provided by GBG Australia show significant variation with depth and are considered to be unreliable.

Further interpretation was undertaken by a Senior Geophysicist of DP to determine the approximate average seismic velocities and dynamic parameters of each of the main seismic layers, based on picked first arrival data provided by GBG Australia and comparison with the borelogs. The results, which we believe are more reliable, are shown in Appendix E.

The following procedure was used by DP to convert the field data to the estimated dynamic ('small strain') shear modulus ( $G_{dyn}$ ), dynamic elastic or 'Young's' modulus ( $E_{dyn}$ ) and dynamic bulk modulus ( $K_{dyn}$ ):

- Calculate the vertical arrival times (T<sub>vp</sub> and T<sub>vs</sub>) from the measured times allowing for the sourcehole offsets (X<sub>p</sub> and X<sub>s</sub>);
- (ii) Plot scattergrams of depth (Z) versus  $T_{vp}$  and  $T_{vs}$ ;
- (iii) Interpret linear segments of the Z-T<sub>vp</sub> and Z-T<sub>vs</sub> plots corresponding to constant seismic velocities with reference to lithological and geotechnical boundaries described in the bore logs;



- (iv) Calculate the interval velocities V<sub>p</sub> and V<sub>s</sub> (in m/sec for the formulae and units in (vi) below), by estimating the slopes of linear segments of the Z-T<sub>vp</sub> and Z-T<sub>vs</sub> data;
- (v) Assign bulk densities (ρ) in t/m<sup>3</sup> for each interval based on available estimates from previous investigations in similar geological conditions; and
- (vi) Calculate the following dynamic insitu parameters:

Poisson's Ratio	σ	$= ((V_p/V_s)^2-2)/(2((V_p/V_s)^2-1)))$	
Shear Modulus	$G_{\text{dyn}}$	$= \rho V_s^2 x 10^{-3}$	(MPa)
Elastic Modulus	$E_{dyn}$	= 2G <sub>dyn</sub> (1+σ)	(MPa)
Bulk Modulus	$K_{dyn}$	= E <sub>dyn</sub> / (3(1-2σ))	(MPa)

The graphical p- and s-wave logs used for interpretation are scattergrams, with scatter likely resulting from seismic arrival time measurement error (visual picking error) and from the subjective identification of primary p- and s-wave arrivals (random or interpretational error). In applying this method, it is inherently difficult to generate shear waves with high amplitude. Identification of s-waves (by reversal of hammer impact direction and hence inversion of recorded waveform) is therefore difficult, particularly in view of interference from p-waves (at shallow depths) and from later cycles of converted p-wave arrivals at all depths. Such interference, from unavoidably generated p-waves and converted p-waves, in some cases increases the scatter and hence decreases the reliability of the line of best fit which defines the s-wave velocity estimate and subsequent dynamic shear modulus estimate.

It should be noted that the dynamic moduli within Appendix E are relevant to small strains (in the order of 10<sup>-6</sup>) only. Large strain moduli are valid for strains of the order of 10<sup>-4</sup> or greater. In the intermediate range the modulus will decrease as strain increases. If strains larger than 10<sup>-6</sup> are expected, the above dynamic moduli will be too high and should be revised.

It is noted that the poisson's ratio values estimated for rock materials from the VSP presented within Appendix E are nearly double that of typical published values for similar materials. Therefore it is suggested that the dynamic parameters presented within Appendix E should be used with caution, and that any analysis for design using such values should include a sensitivity analysis which adopts parameters to  $\pm$  50% of those presented in this report, to assess the impacts these parameters provided on design.

# 6. Laboratory Testing

## 6.1 Geotechnical Laboratory Testing

The detailed geotechnical laboratory testing results are attached within Appendix B, and a summary of tests undertaken are summarised in Table 3, 4 and 5 below.



Bore	Depth (m)	Description	FMC (%)	(%) TT	PL (%)	PI (%)	Shrink (%)	Swell (%)	ISS (% per ΔpF)	PP before soaking (kPa)	PP after soaking (kPa)
3	0.5 - 0.8	Silty Clay	-	42	14	28	-	-	-	-	-
3	1.0 - 1.45	Silty Clay	-	72	21	51	-	-	-	-	-
10	0.5 - 0.79	Silty Clay	17.6	-	-	-	4.8	2.9	3.4	>600	100
11	0.5 - 0.82	Silty Clay	-	53	15	38	-	-	-	-	-
21	1.0 - 1.45	Silty Clay		51	24	27	-	-	-	-	-
22	0.5 - 0.75	Silty Clay	-	44	16	28	-	-	-	-	-

## Table 3: Shrink Swell and Atterberg Limits

Notes to Table:

FMC - Field Moisture Content

LL – Liquid Limit

PL – Plastic Limit

I<sub>SS</sub> – Shrink Swell Index PP – Pocket Penetrometer Reading

# Table 4: Moisture Content Determination and California Bearing Ratio

Bore	Depth (m)	Description	FMC (%)	MDD (t/m³)	ОМС (%)	CBR (%)	Swell (%)
1	0.1 - 0.6	Silty CLAY	17.6	1.54	22.5	1.5	4.0
4	0.1 - 0.6	Silty CLAY	17.5	1.58	21.0	2.5	3.0
5	0.0 - 0.6	Clayey SILT	16.3	1.54	24.0	2.5	3.0
7	0.1 - 0.6	Silty CLAY	21.2	1.45	28.0	2.5	3.0
12	0.5 - 0.9	Silty CLAY	19.0	1.49	26.0	3.0	1.5
13	0.5 - 0.9	Silty CLAY	19.8	1.59	23.0	1.5	4.5
18	0.1 - 0.6	Silty CLAY	19.6	1.47	26.0	3.0	2.5
19	0.1 - 0.6	Silty CLAY	19.2	1.49	25.5	4.0	1.5

Notes to Table:

FMC – Field Moisture Content

MDD - Maximum Dry Density

OMC - Optimum Moisture Content

CBR – California Bearing Ratio



## Table 5: Emerson Classes

Bore	Depth (m)	Description	Water Temperature (°C)	Emerson Class
16	2.5 - 2.8	Silty CLAY	19.3	2
22	0.0 - 0.1	Silty CLAY	19.3	6
27	1.0 - 1.45	Silty CLAY	19.3	2

Notes to Table:

Emerson Class No. (AS 1289.3.2.1)

No 1 to 6 being most susceptible dispersive to least susceptible dispersive

The Emerson Class No. test results ranged from 2 to 6 within the Units 1 and 2 soils, indicating a variable (high to low-moderate) risk of dispersion.

## 6.2 Geo-chemical Laboratory Testing

Six samples were submitted to Envirolab Services Pty Ltd for analysis of pH, electrical conductivity (EC), soluble sulphate (SO<sub>4</sub>) and soluble chloride (CI), to assess soil aggressiveness. Detailed laboratory report sheets are provided in Appendix B, along with other chemical tests which have been reported within, and are summarised in Table 10 within Section 7.8.

## 6.3 Thermal Resistivity Testing

Thermal resistivity laboratory testing was performed on undisturbed samples (U70 tube samples) in accordance with ASTM D5534, and was undertaken on selected samples from the test locations (i.e. Bore). The results were plotted in the form of a dry-out curve to determine the relationship between moisture content and thermal resistivity.

The field testing was undertaken by Geotherm Australia and comprised using a probe in accordance with ASTM D5334, within bores, and the field testing was undertaken at similar depths to the above mentioned laboratory test sample.

The results of the field and laboratory testing with dry out curve interpretations are contained within Appendix B.

## 7. Comments

## 7.1 Appreciation of Subsurface Conditions

The pertinent characteristics of the subsurface conditions are further summarised as follows:

- Unit 1A topsoil typically 50 mm in thickness;
- Unit 1B clayey silt topsoil ranging up to 0.6 m depth in parts but not within all test locations;



- Unit 2 residual clay soils, underlying topsoil and ranging from 0.05 m to 2.85 m depth, but more typically up to 1.0 m depth. The silty clay was moderate to high plasticity and typically very stiff or stronger;
- Unit 3: Siltstone underlying soil, typically comprising:
  - o Unit 3A Extremely weathered material (soil like properties) ranging from about 1.0 m to 6.2 m depth, and more typically between 1.0 m and 3.0 m depth;
  - o Unit 3B Very low to low strength, and Unit 3C (low to medium strength) typically ranging from 3.0 m to 10.0 m depth, further underlain by;
  - o Unit 3D Medium to high strength, typically below 10 m depth (in Bores 21, 27 and 27A only).

The Unit 2 very stiff to hard residual clay, where encountered, is suitable to support lightly loaded shallow footings, and heavily loaded structural loads should be supported on piles founded within rock (Unit 3).

The Unit 2 silty clay is of moderate to high plasticity and moderately to highly reactive, and the upper clay soils near the site surface are prone to softening, particularly during extended periods of wet weather. Suitable site preparation measures will be required to facilitate construction of the pavements and the site platform.

Given the conditions encountered in the investigation and the topography of the site it is anticipated that cut and fill in the order of 2 m to 3 m depth is likely to be required to terrace the site for substation platform construction. It is suggested that the site won materials be used to construct the platform and that imported select and pavement materials be used to cap the platform.

# 7.2 Site Classification

Site classification of foundation soil reactivity provides an indication of the propensity of the ground surface to move with seasonal variation in moisture. Based on procedures presented in AS 2870 (2011) and on results from this investigation the recommended site classification for the proposed development is presented below.

It should be noted that standard designs within AS 2870 (2011) for site classifications which are based on characteristic surface movements only apply to structures of similar size and flexibility to residential buildings and do not apply to industrial structures or buildings larger than two storeys. Similar principles in design for reactivity / movement, however, should be incorporated into design, construction and maintenance.

Due to the presence of highly reactive clays to greater than 3.0 m depth in parts of the site, the site is technically Class E-D, as defined in AS 2870 (2011). AS 2870 (2011) does not provide standard footing options for such conditions. Accordingly, all footings should be designed in accordance with engineering principles.



As a preliminary guide to reactive soil movements in the natural site soils, the soil profiles and the laboratory tests were used to estimate the characteristic surface movement (ys) value for normal seasonal moisture variations. Based on this local information it is anticipated that characteristic surface movements are likely to be in the order of 90 mm, i.e. commensurate with a 'Class E-D' (extremely reactive) classification, where founded within the Unit 2 very stiff to hard clays, for the site in its present state, without the placement of additional filling. When cut or fill occurs on the site for platform construction, the anticipated that characteristic surface movements are likely to be in the order of 110 mm, i.e. commensurate with a 'Class E-D' (extremely reactive) classification, provided at least 0.5 m thick low to non-reactive layer is placed over the entire site. The site classification should be re-assessed after any cut fill operations.

Design, construction and maintenance should take into account the need to achieve and preserve an equilibrium soil moisture regime beneath and around buildings. Such measures include paved areas around structures to fall away from the building, flexible plumbing connections and service trenches to be backfilled with compacted clay. These and other measures are described in AS 2870 (2011) and the attached (CSIRO, 2021).

Footings should not be founded in existing or proposed filling unless it has been placed and compacted under Level 1 earthworks inspection and testing requirements in accordance with the procedures outlined in AS 3798 (2007) or specifically assessed and designed for founding within uncontrolled filling.

Engineered filling requirements are outlined below in Section 7.12 of this report.

# 7.3 Footings

Shallow strip and pad footings for the proposed structures could be founded in Unit 3 clay of very stiff to hard consistency and/or engineered filling may be proportioned for an allowable bearing pressure and designed for the preliminary settlement estimates listed in Table 6 below.

Foundation Material	Founding Depth (m)	Footing Type and Dimension	Maximum Allowable Bearing Pressure (kPa)	Estimated Settlement (mm)
Unit 2, 3A or	1.0	Pad - 1.0 m x 1.0 m	100	10 - 15
Engineered Fill	1.0	Pad – 2.0 m x 2.0 m	100	10 - 20

**Table 6: Preliminary Settlement Estimates** 

Notes to Table:

It should be noted that the estimated settlements in the above table assume surcharge is applied uniformly across the footing, and do not include allowances for fluctuations due to seasonal ground movements.

Footings should be preferably founded within similar materials for individual buildings / structures to reduce the risk of differential settlement.

The estimated settlements outlined above are independent of, and may be additive to, reactive movements.



Footing inspections should be undertaken by a geotechnical engineer to confirm foundation conditions, if the parameters in this report are adopted for design.

All footing excavations should be prepared by installing a 100 mm of concrete blinding layer immediately after excavation and inspection, to protect the clay from softening when exposed to water ingress and or from shrinkage cracking when exposed to dry conditions.

# 7.4 Piles

Suitable pile footing types will need to consider several factors, including depth to rock, structural capacity of the pile and potential for hole collapse.

Bored piles are considered an appropriate pile type within the Unit 3 rock.

It is recommended that bored piles should be founded at least one pile diameter into Unit 3B rock, and should be designed based on the parameters outlined below, where required to support heavy structural loads (especially under columns).

# Geotechnical Strength Reduction Factor (AS 2159)

The design geotechnical strength of a pile ( $R_{d,g}$ ) is the ultimate geotechnical strength ( $R_{d,ug}$ ) multiplied by the geotechnical strength reduction factor ( $\phi_g$ ), such that:

$$R_{d,g} = \phi_g \cdot R_{d,ug}$$

The calculated value  $R_{d,g}$  must equal or exceed the structural design action effect  $E_d$ . Selection of the geotechnical strength reduction factor ( $\phi_g$ ) is based on a series of individual risk ratings (IRR) which are weighted and lead to an average risk rating (ARR). The individual risk ratings and final value of  $\phi_g$  depend on the following factors:

- Site: the type, quantity and quality of testing;
- Design: design methods and parameter selection;
- Installation: construction control and monitoring;
- Pile testing regime: testing benefit factor based on percentage of piles tested and the type of testing; and
- Redundancy: whether other piles can take up load if a given pile settles or fails.

It is anticipated that the pile configuration for the structure would be a low redundancy situation, and hence the appropriate basic geotechnical strength reduction factor is likely to be 0.52. The redundancy category should be confirmed by the designer.



Table 8.2.4(B) of AS 2159 (2009) requires that 5% to 15% of piles should be subject to integrity testing if the adopted  $\phi_g$  exceeds 0.4. Higher values of  $\phi_g$  can be justified by more comprehensive static or dynamic load testing. Similarly, where the basic geotechnical strength reduction factor of greater than 0.4 is to be used, serviceability (load) testing must be performed for all foundations with an average risk rating of 2.5 or greater.

## **Bored Pile Design Parameters**

The design of bored concrete piles may be based either on limit state design methods or a 'working stress' approach. The vertical Young's modulus ( $E_v$ ) values and the ultimate limiting (end bearing and shaft adhesion) pressures given in Table 7 may be used to assess the limiting states for pile design purposes in accordance with AS 2159 (2009).

Alternatively the piles may be proportioned on the basis of the 'allowable pressures or serviceability' given in Table 7. The settlement of piles subjected to vertical loads will vary depending on the ('serviceability' or working) loads applied and the foundation conditions below the pile toe.



## Table 7: Geotechnical Parameters for Pile Design in Rock

		Strata Depth	(m) of Fo	undation	Material	Vertical Young's	Ultimate	Strength	Serviceability / Maximum		
Rock Class / Rock Unit	Bore 3	Bore 20	Bore 21	Bore 24	Bore 27	Bore 29	Modulus, E <sub>v</sub> <sup>(6)</sup> (MPa)	End Bearing (3),(4)	Shaft Adhesion (1),(2)	End Bearing Pressure <sup>(3),(5)</sup>	
								(kPa)	(kPa)	(kPa)	
Class V - Siltstone Predominantly Unit 3B	3.3- 10.3	3.1 – 8.3	3.0 – 8.9	3.9 – 8.0	4.0 – 8.7	3.2 – 10.3	75	3,000	50	700	
Class IV- Siltstone Predominantly Unit 3C	-	8.3 – 10.0	-	-	8.7- 11.2	-	300	4,000	150	1000	
Class II- Siltstone Predominantly Unit 3D	-	-	8.9 - 20.7	8.0 – 11.5	11.2 – 16.4	-	2,000	60,000	1000	6,000	

#### Notes to Table:

All pile end bearing parameters are based on pile penetration of at least four pile diameters below the ground surface;

1 Shaft adhesion parameters are only applicable where adequate socket roughness (roughness category "R2" or greater) is achieved. Roughness categories are defined in (Pells, Mostyn, & Walker, 1998)

2 For calculation of tension or uplift capacity the shaft adhesion should be taken as 70% of the above shaft adhesion parameters also assessed using the inverted cone method.

3 Bearing pressure values assume a minimum embedment of one pile diameter into the relevant bearing stratum.

4 Ultimate end bearing parameters mobilised at large settlements (i.e. > 5% of pile diameter).

5 Allowable end bearing parameters could experience settlements of less than 1% of the pile diameter.

6 A range of values has been given for vertical Young's Modulus ( $E_v$ ) based on typical published correlations.

7 Lower end values have been given for ultimate end bearing owing to the presence of weaker seams within the rock mass. Care should be taken to ensure that the piles are not founded within these lower strength seams.



It is suggested that (Pells P. J., 1999) is used for the evaluation of the geotechnical strength and serviceability of piles designed to the parameters listed above.

The design of piles required to resist uplift or tension loads should be checked against the 'conepullout' failure mode as well as the shaft (i.e. 'piston pull-out') capacity of the pile. It is suggested that an inverted 60° cone from the base of the pile be used for calculation of uplift capacity.

Bored piles should have bases and sockets cleaned and free of debris and water at the time of concrete placement. Cleaning buckets should be used during pile installation to provide a suitably clean base which is at least 90% clean of drill cuttings. A roughening tool should be used to roughen sidewalls and remove clay smear during pile installation.

It is also recommended that geotechnical inspections and monitoring be undertaken during the installation of piles to confirm socket roughness and design parameters.

Notwithstanding the above, piling contractors should be responsible for selecting an appropriate piling method with reference to the ground conditions, and the pile capacities required for design.

# 7.5 Excavatability

The proposed depth of excavation is unknown at this stage. However for preliminary purposes, it is anticipated that excavations will be less than 3 m below current levels.

It is anticipated that bulk excavation will generally be achievable using conventional hydraulic equipment for the Unit 1 and Unit 2 soils and also Unit 3A extremely weathered rock, which were generally encountered within the upper 3 m of the profile.

It is important to note that excavatability of rock is dependent not only on rock strength, but also on the presence, orientation and extent of discontinuities such as jointing and fracturing and other factors. For example, low strength rock with few discontinuities can be more difficult to excavate than highly fractured high strength rock.

Confined and detailed excavations in medium strength and high strength rock, will likely require the use of excavators fitted with rippers, rock hammers and/or rock sawing.

## 7.5.1 Geotechnical Re-use of Excavated Materials

The majority of Unit 2 soils and/or Unit 3 rock encountered on site within excavations will likely be suitable for use as engineered fill as platform filling beneath pavement, hardstand and structural areas, however the suitability of the Unit 3 material will be dependent on the ability to create a suitable particle size distribution, and may require additional processing such as crushing and blending.



The reactivity of the clay should be considered and the use of site won clay soils will negatively impact characteristic surface movements (possibly commensurate with Class E-D classification). Laboratory test results also indicated that some of the clays are of high plasticity and hence consideration could be given to blending the clay with the weathered bedrock material, which was encountered at greater depth, to reduce the plasticity and improve the shrink-swell characteristics and strength of the clay soils, or capping of clay fill with at least 0.5 m of non-reactive filling will reduce overall characteristic surface movements.

The Unit 3 rock would be a suitable engineering fill material provided the material can be produced to generate a well graded material. This may require using hammers or possibly cross-ripping the rock with tynes. The finer material is likely to require segregation from the oversize material (say >200 mm), with the coarser material requiring further processing such as crushing or additional hammering to produce a material suitable for engineered fill.

Unit 1A topsoil and silt are not considered suitable for re-use as engineered fill, but with the addition of at least 25% organic matter (i.e. mulch) and fertilises, it is likely to be suitable for re-use as topsoil for vegetation growth.

Moisture conditioning by adding water would be required for site won filling.

In accordance with the NSW POEO Act, all material that will be removed from site must be subject to a waste classification assessment in accordance with NSW EPA waste classification guidelines to facilitate off-site disposal to an appropriately licensed landfill / waste management facility, or appropriately assessed for its potential reuse on another site as either Virgin Excavated Natural Material (VENM) or an appropriate resource recovery exempt material (e.g. Excavated Natural Material (ENM)) in accordance with the appropriate NSW EPA resource recovery order (RRO). DP can assist with classification and assessment of materials to be removed from site, if required.

## 7.6 Excavation Batters

The following batters are recommended for slopes with a total height of up to 3.0 m.

Strata	Temporary Maximum Slope (H:V)	Long Term Maximum Slope (H:V)
Engineered Fill	1H:1V (Less than 1.0 m depth)	3H:1V
Unit 2 – clay Unit 3A – extremely weathered rock	1H:1V	3H:1V
Unit 3B - Very Low to Low Strength Rock	0.75H:1V	1H:1V

 Table 8: Recommended Temporary Batter Slopes

Notes to Table:

Batter slopes within fill and rock are subject to geotechnical inspection during construction; dependent on jointing



Rock cuttings should be inspected by a suitably qualified engineering geologist / geotechnical engineer, during excavation / trimming, to confirm the above batter slopes and identify the need or otherwise for bolting or other temporary support measures.

All batter slopes should be protected from erosion. Surface water should be diverted away from slopes by installation of a dish drain at the crest of slopes.

# 7.7 Retaining Walls

Where support is to be provided to adjoining structures or services, the use of retaining walls up to 2 m in height is recommended. Design parameters for estimating long-term earth pressures on retaining walls with level back fill (i.e. no slopes) are presented in Table 9. These values are unfactored hence a suitable factor of safety should be used in design.

Unit	Material	γ <sub>b</sub> (kN/m³)	Ka	Ко	Кр
-	Engineered fill	20	0.41	0.58	2.5
2	Very stiff to hard residual clay	20	0.36	0.53	2.8

## **Table 9: Design Parameters for Retaining Structures (Unfactored)**

Notes to table:

γb - bulk density

Ka - coefficient of active earth pressure

Ko - coefficient of 'at-rest' earth pressure Kp - coefficient of passive earth pressure

# 7.8 Soil Aggressivity to Buried Structures

The results of pH, chloride and sulphate ion concentration analyses, along with the interpretation of the results for aggressivity classification for concrete and steel based on the Piling Code (AS 2159, 2009) are summarised in Table 10 below.



## Table 10: Soil Aggressivity

Bore	Depth (m)	Description	Soil Condition	pH (concrete)	pH (steel)	Resistivity <sup>(1)</sup> (Ω.cm) (steel)	SO₄ (ppm) (concrete)	Cl (ppm) (steel)
9	1.0 - 1.45	Silty Sandy CLAY	В	5.2	5.2	1020	450	1200
10	1.0 - 1.35	Silty CLAY	В	7.8	7.8	1333	490	770
10	2.5 - 2.65	Silty CLAY	В	4.8	4.8	1786	350	610
14	1.0 - 1.20	Silty Sandy CLAY	В	7.8	7.8	13158	10	23
15	1.0 - 1.45	Silty Sandy CLAY	В	9.1	9.1	2381	65	170
23	2.5 - 2.7	Silty Sandy CLAY	В	7.4	7.4	1282	380	1300

Notes to Table:

Non-aggressive

Mildly aggressive

Moderately aggressive

Severely Aggressive

Very Severe

NT Not Tested

1 Resistivity calculated based on inverse of conductivity in aqueous solution results

Scale of aggressivity based on threshold values given in AS 2159 - 2009: Piling - Design and Installation.

Reference should be made to Tables 6.4.3 of AS 2159 (2009) to determine the minimum concrete cover to reinforcement required (for concrete piles), based on this exposure classification and the minimum concrete strength appropriate for the indicated site conditions.

# 7.9 Earthquake Design Parameters (Site Sub-Soil Class)

Sections 3 and 4 of AS 1170.4 (2007) provides details regarding hazard factors and site sub-soil classes.

Reference to Figure 3.2(G) of AS 1170.4 (2007) indicates that a hazard factor, Z, of 0.12 would be applicable for earthquake design at this site.

Conditions encountered during the investigation are summarised shallow topsoil, overlying residual very stiff clays and extremely weathered rock up to about 3 m depth, siltstone which grades from very low strength up to high strength rock from 10 m to 20 m depth. Based on these conditions, Section 4 of AS 1170.4 (2007) indicates that the site would be classed as a "shallow soil site", for which a subsoil 'Class Ce' would apply.



# 7.10 Soil Erosion

To minimise impacts of erosion and or dispersion the following measures may decrease the likelihood:

- Compaction of any proposed fill in accordance with Section 7.13 of this report;
- Permanent batter slopes should be vegetated as soon as possible, to reduce the risk of significant soil erosion occurring;
- Topsoil (with minimum thickness of 100 mm and a maximum of 200 mm thickness) and vegetation on exposed batters or cuts. Hydro-mulching, mulching and fertilisers should be considered to promote growth;
- Adequate surface drainage is provided to reduce surface and seepage water flows;
- Contour drains along the crest of both cut and fill batters should be provided to reduce the
  potential for erosion. Such drains should be vegetated or gravel-lined, as appropriate for the
  expected flows;
- Short term erosion measures such as silt fencing, hay bales etc., where required during construction; and
- Drains should be vegetated or concrete-lined, as appropriate for the expected flows. The use of rip-rap (rockfill) blankets or extensive re-vegetation may be required to dissipate stormwater flows at the location of drain outlets or previously eroded areas if encountered.

## 7.11 Pavement Thickness Design

The pavement thickness designs presented in this report is considered preliminary only and is based on assumed traffic loading data, and it is further understood that for specific pavements which may be traffic by forklifts / cranes or where stacking or structural point loads occur that Ausgrid will undertake specific pavement thickness designs.

## 7.11.1 Design Traffic Loading

It is understood that the majority of traffic will comprise light vehicles and light trucks during the operation of the substation. The construction period is likely to constitute the highest volume of road register trucks. No specific traffic volume data has been provided, whoever for the purpose of these preliminary pavement designs the design traffic loadings adopted for pavement thickness design has been provided within Table 11 below.

Pavement	Pavement Type	Design Traffic Loading (ESA's)	Average ESA / HVAG	Design Traffic Loading HVAG
Access Road	Flexible	0 × 104		-
Cubatation Diatform	Flexible	8 X 10 <sup>-</sup>	0.8	-
Substation Platform	Rigid - concrete	-		1 x 10⁵

Table 11:	Summary	of Design	Traffic	Loading	Adopted
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# 7.11.2 Design Subgrade CBR

The expected subgrade conditions for the access road pavements generally comprise natural silty clay Unit 2, and also the subgrade conditions for the substation platform will comprise Unit 2 materials given the lower parts of the platform is likely to be constructed using the Unit 2 materials.

Based on the results of the laboratory testing (CBR 1.5% to 4%) and experience with similar soils in the area a subgrade CBR of 1.5% has been adopted. Given the low CBR subgrade soils and their risk to soften with increase in moisture content a select subgrade layer is recommended to allow construction of overlying pavements and filling.

The recommended effective CBR is outlined below:

- Effective CBR of 5% being adopted for access pavement thickness design purposes, given that a 300 mm thick select subgrade layer (at least CBR 30%) is to be used;
- Effective CBR of 4% being adopted for platform pavement thickness design purposes, given that a 500 mm thick select subgrade layer (at least CBR 10%) is to be used;
- A design CBR of 7% has also been adopted for where rock subgrades are encountered.

It is noted that clay can be susceptible to softening upon inundation or exposure to moisture, hence care should be taken to protect excavations / subgrades against inclement weather or prolonged exposure to the elements.

## 7.11.3 Flexible Pavement Thickness Design

The flexible pavement thickness design was undertaken in accordance with the Austroads guideline for design of pavements (Austroads, 2017). The results are presented in below in Table 12.



Traffic Load	8 x 104 ESA			
Effective Design Subgrade CBR	4%	5%	7%	
Design Life (years)	20			
Pavement Layer	Layer Thickness (mm)			
Asphalt	50 AC10 and Primer seal <sup>1</sup>			
Basecourse	100	100	180	
Subbase	180	140	-	
Total Pavement Thickness (including AC wearing course)	330+ Select	290 + Select	230 + Select	

## **Table 12: Flexible Pavement Thickness**

Notes to Table:

(1) A 7 mm - 10 mm prime seal should be placed over the basecourse.

(2) Incorporation of a select layer is recommended owing to the presence of expansive clay subgrade and has been considered in determining the design subgrade CBR. Additional select material may be required to allow for compaction of overlying pavement layers depending on the moisture condition of the clay subgrade at the time of construction.

It is expected that there may be a requirement for increased maintenance in areas of tightly turning trucks due to high shear / torsional stresses applied to the pavement surface. The use of a stiffer binder (i.e. Class 450 or Class 600 PMB bitumen) in the asphalt (if used) would be expected to reduce the damage to the asphalt surface in areas of tightly turning heavy vehicles.

It is recommended that where any new pavements abuts an existing pavement, it should be benched / keyed in a minimum width of 0.3 m. Vertical interface / joints between the new and existing sections of pavements should not be located within wheel paths.



# 7.11.4 Rigid Pavement Thickness Design

Based on the procedures outlined in (Austroads, 2017) the following rigid pavement thickness design, shown in Table 13, is suggested.

Table 13:	Riaid	Pavement	Thickness	Design
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Traffic Load	1 x 10⁵ HVAGs		
Design Subgrade CBR	4%	7%	
Design Life (years)	20		
Load Safey Factor	1.2		
Pavement Layer	Layer Thickness (mm)		
Concrete Base	170 165		
Subbase	100	100	
Select Subgrade <sup>(2)</sup>	500	500	
Total Pavement Thickness	270 + Select	265 + Select	

Notes to Table:

This pavement thickness design is based on the use of concrete shoulders, a concrete flexural strength of at least 4 MPa and a design project load safety factor of 1.2.

The rigid pavement thickness given in Table 13 is based on a 28-day compressive strength of at least 32 MPa. Steel reinforcing and joint detail for the concrete pavement should be designed by the civil engineer for the project based on the procedures in Austroads.

# 7.12 Material Quality and Compaction Requirements

Recommended pavement material quality and compaction requirements are presented in below.



Pavement Layer	Material Quality	Compaction
Asphalt	Conform to local Council requirements or TfNSW R116	NCC requirements or TfNSW R116
Unbound Basecourse	CBR > 80%, PI ≤ 6%, Grading in accordance with Council requirements	Compact to at least 98% dry density ratio Modified (AS 1289.5.2.1)
Subbase	CBR > 30%, PI ≤ 12%, Grading in accordance with Council requirements	Compact to at least 95% dry density ratio Modified (AS 1289.5.2.1)
Select Subgrade	CBR>30%, as per subbase – Access Road CBR ≥ 10% with no particles greater than 200 mm- Platform	Compact to at least 100% dry density ratio Standard (AS 1289.5.1.1)

## Table 14: Material Quality and Compaction Requirements – Flexible Pavement

Layer	Material Quality	Compaction
Concrete Base	Minimum 32 MPa 28 day compressive strength Flexural Strength of 4.0 MPa	-
Subbase	CBR > 30%, PI ≤ 12%, Grading in accordance with Council requirements	Compact to at least 95% dry density ratio Modified (AS 1289.5.2.1)
Select Subgrade	CBR ≥ 15%	Compact to at least 100% dry density ratio Standard (AS 1289.5.1.1)
Select Subgrade	CBR>30%, as per subbase – Access Road	Compact to at least 100% dry density ratio Standard (AS 1289.5.1.1)
Select Subgrade	CBR $\ge$ 10% with no particles greater than 200 mm Platform	Compact to at least 100% dry density ratio Standard (AS 1289.5.1.1)

## 7.12.1 Pavement Drainage

The vehicular pavement designs provided above depend on the provision of adequate surface and subsoil drainage to maintain the subgrade as close to the optimum moisture content as possible and to ensure that the pavement layers do not become saturated.

Normally, subsoil drainage should be installed at least 0.5 m below subgrade level adjacent to pavements. Preparation of subgrade surfaces should be such that adequate crossfalls for surface drainage are achieved across the final pavement.

In the case where new pavement abuts existing pavement a subsoil drain should be installed at the interface. This drain should comprise a narrow trench backfilled with either 'no-fines' concrete or 14 mm aggregate and 100 mm diameter 'Ag' pipe wrapped in a geotextile. The drain should extend from the top of the subbase layer to within the subgrade and be connected to the subsurface drainage system, to ensure the release of any moisture trapped between the existing and new pavement materials.

# 7.13 Earthworks Preparation Measures

The recommended earthworks preparation measures are provided in the following sections.

Geotechnical inspection, compaction testing and proof rolling of all engineered fill is recommended. Subgrade inspections are also recommended. Earthworks construction procedures should be in accordance with AS 3798 (2007).

# 7.13.1 Substation Platform Fill

The construction of a filling under buildings should be carried out in accordance with Level 1 testing, as defined in AS 3798 (2007) and should include the following:

- Remove topsoil (Unit 1 and 1A) to expose a very stiff or stronger clay soils (Unit 2) and/or rock (Unit 3);
- Removal of tree root zone;
- Test roll and inspect the exposed subgrade and remove soft / weak material. Unsuitable material should be replaced with engineered fill;
- Compact the subgrade to at least 95% Standard dry density ratio, as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1, at a moisture content within the range from -2% OMC to OMC, where OMC is the optimum moisture content as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1;
- Place and compact the engineered fill (clay materials) within the range of 98% to 102% Standard dry density ratio, at a moisture content within the range ± 2% of OMC. The use of clay fill should only be undertaken when it is located at least 0.5 m below finished level;
- Non-reactive fill should be used within the upper 0.5 m of fill profile. Specific assessment of non-reactive fill thickness should be undertaken prior to construction to confirm these requirements and the impact on site classification. Place and compact the engineered fill (non-reactive materials) to at least 98% Standard dry density ratio, at a moisture content within the range ± 2% of OMC.;
- The 'non-reactive' fill material should be a low permeability crushed siltstone/sandstone or ridge gravel placed as engineered fill (Level 1 testing) in accordance with AS 3798 (2007), with shrink-swell index of less than 1%, and a soaked CBR value of 10% or greater;
- Engineered fill placed as above should surround structures / building footprint by at least a 2 m horizontal distance.

At the completion of earthworks, the surface heave movements and re-classification of the site should be confirmed by site specific laboratory testing and engineering assessment by this office.



# 7.13.2 Pavement Subgrade

A site entry pavement as well as pavements on the substation fill platform are anticipated. Pavement subgrade preparation should be as follows:

- Excavate to design subgrade level, incorporating select material where required. The surface should be sloped to ensure water does not pond over the materials;
- Strip all vegetation and topsoil (Unit 1 and 1A, which contains organic matter) and grub out all significant roots;
- The exposed subgrade material surface should be inspected by a geotechnical engineer to check for excessively wet areas or weak zones, and assess if pavement should be constructed over natural subgrade or of subgrade treatment such as drying back, removal and replacement, select and/or bridging layer if required;
- Where suitable subgrades are encountered, the subgrade should be compacted to at least 100% Standard dry density ratio, as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1, at a moisture content within the range from -4% OMC to OMC, where OMC is the optimum moisture content as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1;
- Where wet subgrades soils are exposed no compaction or test rolling is recommended, and the subgrade and select should be prepared as follows:
  - o Excavate to design subgrade level to expose stiff or stronger clay soil. The surface clay should be sloped to ensure water does not pond over the clay;
  - o The exposed clay surface should be inspected by a geotechnical engineer to check for excessively wet areas or weak zones which may require additional removal;
  - o No compaction or test rolling should be undertaken at the exposed clay subgrade level as discussed above;
  - Vehicles with rubber tyres should not traffic the clay subgrade and hence temporary access roads may require to be installed to assist with construction of the select subgrade material (CBR > 30%). Furthermore overworking the select may cause an increase in pore pressure within the subgrade so excessive crushing of larger particles within select should be avoided;
  - o Place select subgrade in a single 0.3 m layer over the clay;
  - The select layer should be compacted by a 8 to 10 tonne roller in static mode: Up to 8 to 10 passes of the roller is recommended, subject to geotechnical inspection;
  - o The upper half of the select layer should be compacted to 100% standard compaction;
  - o A smooth drum roller operating in static mode may be used for test rolling at the top of the select layer.
- Given the low soaked CBR values of the Unit 2 soils at least 0.4 m of select material (CBR 30%) is recommended below pavements outside of the platform substation area. It is noted that at least 0.5 m thick layer of non-reactive crushed rock fill (i.e. select layer with at least soaked CBR of 10%) is to be used over the clay filling within the substation platform, which will also act as a select for overlying pavements;



- If rock is encountered at subgrade level, it should be ripped to a depth of at least 100 mm and recompacted prior to placement of pavement layers, subject to assessment by the geotechnical engineer; The ripped rock should be compact to at least 100% Standard dry density ratio, as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1, at a moisture content within the range from -4% OMC to OMC, where OMC is the optimum moisture content as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1;
- Placement of pavement as required in accordance with requirements outlined above.

Earthworks construction procedures for pavement subgrade preparation should be subject to Level 2 geotechnical inspections and testing as detailed in AS 3798 (2007), which requires at least one field density test per layer of filling per 50 m lineal distance placed.

# 7.13.3 General

- Engineered fill should be placed in near horizontal layers not exceeding 300 mm loose thickness, and with a maximum particle size not exceeding two-thirds of the compacted layer thickness;
- The fill layers should be keyed or benched at least 0.3 m into batter slopes;
- Adequate surface drainage should be provided to direct surface water away from engineered filling;
- Excavations should be wide enough to allow access for adequately sized compaction equipment;
- Embankments should be over-filled at the batters and trimmed back to the design batter angle to ensure the filling is compacted for the full design width.

## 7.14 Mine Subsidence

Verbal correspondence with SA NSW on 11 May 2023 indicated the following:

- The site is not within a proclaimed mine subsidence district;
- SA NSW confirmed that the subject site is currently assigned **Guideline 8**, and as such, the property is assessed by SA NSW as not being at risk of mine subsidence and no mine subsidence related restrictions apply to the site;

Prior to any development of the site, it should be confirmed by the client with SA NSW that no restrictions apply to the development.

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# 9. Limitations

Douglas Partners Pty Ltd (DP) has prepared this report for this project at Hebden Road, Muswellbrook in accordance with DP's proposal dated 18 August 2023 and acceptance received from Paul Hurst / Sulev Kalamae dated 20 September 2023. The work was carried out under period contract terms between DP and Ausgrid. This report is provided for the exclusive use of Ausgrid for this project only and for the purposes as described in the report. It should not be used by or relied upon for other projects or purposes on the same or other site or by a third party. Any party so relying upon this report beyond its exclusive use and purpose as stated above, and without the express written consent of DP, does so entirely at its own risk and without recourse to DP for any loss or damage. In preparing this report DP has necessarily relied upon information provided by the client and/or their agents.

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The assessment of atypical safety hazards arising from this advice is restricted to the (geotechnical / environmental / groundwater) components set out in this report and based on known project conditions and stated design advice and assumptions. While some recommendations for safe controls may be





provided, detailed 'safety in design' assessment is outside the current scope of this report and requires additional project data and assessment.

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This report, or sections from this report, should not be used as part of a specification for a project, without review and agreement by DP. This is because this report has been written as advice and opinion rather than instructions for construction.

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# Appendix A

About this Report Terminology, Symbols and Abbreviations Soil Descriptions Rock Descriptions Sampling, Testing and Excavation Methodology CSIRO 2021 Borehole Logs 1 to 29 and 27A Core Photographs (Bores 3, 20, 24, 27, 27A, 29) These notes have been provided to amplify DP's report in regard to classification methods, field procedures and the comments section. Not all are necessarily relevant to all reports.

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#### **Borehole and Test Pit Logs**

The borehole and test pit logs presented in this report are an engineering and/or geological interpretation of the subsurface conditions, and their reliability will depend to some extent on frequency of sampling and the method of drilling or excavation. Ideally, continuous undisturbed sampling or core drilling will provide the most reliable assessment, but this is not always practicable or possible to justify on economic grounds. In any case the boreholes and test pits represent only a very small sample of the total subsurface profile.

Interpretation of the information and its application to design and construction should therefore take into account the spacing of boreholes or pits, the frequency of sampling, and the possibility of other than 'straight line' variations between the test locations.

#### Groundwater

Where groundwater levels are measured in boreholes there are several potential problems, namely:

- In low permeability soils groundwater may enter the hole very slowly or perhaps not at all during the time the hole is left open;
- A localised, perched water table may lead to an erroneous indication of the true water table;
- Water table levels will vary from time to time with seasons or recent weather changes. They may not be the same at the time of construction as are indicated in the report; and
- The use of water or mud as a drilling fluid will mask any groundwater inflow. Water has to be blown out of the hole and drilling mud must first be washed out of the hole if water measurements are to be made.

More reliable measurements can be made by installing standpipes which are read at intervals over several days, or perhaps weeks for low permeability soils. Piezometers, sealed in a particular stratum, may be advisable in low permeability soils or where there may be interference from a perched water table.

## Reports

The report has been prepared by qualified personnel, is based on the information obtained from field and laboratory testing, and has been undertaken to current engineering standards of interpretation and analysis. Where the report has been prepared for a specific design proposal, the information and interpretation may not be relevant if the design proposal is changed. If this happens, DP will be pleased to review the report and the sufficiency of the investigation work.

Every care is taken with the report as it relates to interpretation of subsurface conditions, discussion of geotechnical and environmental aspects, and recommendations or suggestions for design and construction. However, DP cannot always anticipate or assume responsibility for:

- Unexpected variations in ground conditions. The potential for this will depend partly on borehole or pit spacing and sampling frequency;
- Changes in policy or interpretations of policy by statutory authorities; or
- The actions of contractors responding to commercial pressures.

If these occur, DP will be pleased to assist with investigations or advice to resolve the matter.





## **Site Anomalies**

In the event that conditions encountered on site during construction appear to vary from those which were expected from the information contained in the report, DP requests that it be immediately notified. Most problems are much more readily resolved when conditions are exposed rather than at some later stage, well after the event.

#### Information for Contractual Purposes

Where information obtained from this report is provided for tendering purposes, it is recommended that all information, including the written report and discussion, be made available. In circumstances where the discussion or comments section is not relevant to the contractual situation, it may be appropriate to prepare a specially edited document. DP would be pleased to assist in this regard and/or to make additional report copies available for contract purposes at a nominal charge.

#### Site Inspection

The company will always be pleased to provide engineering inspection services for geotechnical and environmental aspects of work to which this report is related. This could range from a site visit to confirm that conditions exposed are as expected, to full time engineering presence on site.

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# Terminology, Symbols and Abbreviations

## Introduction to Terminology, Symbols and Abbreviations

Douglas Partners' reports, investigation logs, and other correspondence may use terminology which has quantitative or qualitative connotations. To remove ambiguity or uncertainty surrounding the use of such terms, the following sets of notes pages may be attached Douglas Partners' reports, depending on the work performed and conditions encountered:

- Soil Descriptions;
- Rock Descriptions; and
- Sampling, insitu testing, and drilling methodologies

In addition to these pages, the following notes generally apply to most documents.

#### Abbreviation Codes

Site conditions may also be presented in a number of different formats, such as investigation logs, field mapping, or as a written summary. In some of these formats textual or symbolic terminology may be presented using textual abbreviation codes or graphic symbols, and, where commonly used, these are listed alongside the terminology definition. For ease of identification in these note pages, textual codes are presented in these notes in the following style Xw. Code usage conforms with the following guidelines:

- Textual codes are case insensitive, although herein they are generally presented in upper case; and
- Textual codes are contextual (i.e. the same or similar combinations of characters may be used in different contexts with different meanings (for example `PL` is used for plastic limit in the context of soil moisture condition, as well as in `PL(A)` for point load test result in the testing results column).

## Data Integrity Codes

Subsurface investigation data recorded by Douglas Partners is generally managed in a highly structured database environment, where records "span" between a top and bottom depth interval. Depth interval "gaps" between records are considered to introduce ambiguity, and, where appropriate, our practice guidelines may require contiguous data sets. Recording meaningful data is not always appropriate (for example assigning a "strength" to a concrete pavement) and the following codes may be used to maintain contiguity in such circumstances.

Term	Description	Abbreviation Code
Core loss	No core recovery	KL
Unknown	Information was not available to allow classification of the property. For example, when auguring in loose, saturated sand auger cuttings may not be returned.	UK
No data	Information required to allow classification of the property was not available. For example if drilling is commenced from the base of a hole predrilled by others	ND
Not Applicable	Derivation of the properties not appropriate or beyond the scope of the investigation. For example providing a description of the strength of a concrete pavement	NA

## Graphic Symbols

Douglas Partners' logs contain a "graphic" column which provides a pictorial representation of the basic composition of the material. The symbols used are directly representing the material name stated in the adjacent "Description of Strata" column, and as such no specific graphic symbology legend has been provided in these notes.

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#### Introduction

All materials which are not considered to be "in-situ rock" are described in general accordance with the soil description model of AS 1726-2017 Part 6.1.3, and can be broken down into the following description structure:



The "classification" comprises a two character "group symbol" providing a general summary of dominant soil characteristics. The "name" summarises the particle sizes within the soil which most influence its behaviour. The detailed description presents more information about composition, condition, structure, and origin of the soil.

Classification, naming and description of soils require the relative proportion of particles of different sizes within the whole soil mixture to be considered.

#### Particle size designation and Behaviour Model

Solid particles within a soil are differentiated on the basis of size.

The engineering behaviour properties of a soil can subsequently be modelled to be either "fine grained" (also known as "cohesive" behaviour) or "coarse grained" ("non cohesive" behaviour), depending on the relative proportion of fine or coarse fractions in the soil mixture.

Particle Size	Particle Size	Behavi	our Model
Designation	(mm)	Behaviour	Approximate
			Dry Mass
Boulder	>200	Excluded fro	m particle beh-
Cobble	63 - 200	aviour model as "oversize"	
Gravel <sup>1</sup>	2.36 - 63	Cooroo	
Sand <sup>1</sup>	0.075 - 2.36	Coarse	>05%
Silt	0.002 - 0.075	Fine	>35%
Clay	<0.002		- 00 %

<sup>1</sup> – refer grain size subdivision descriptions below

The behaviour model boundaries defined above are not precise, and the material behaviour should be assumed from the name given to the material (which considers the particle fraction which dominates the behaviour, refer "component proportions" below), rather than strict observance of the proportions of particle sizes. For example, if a material is named a "Sandy CLAY", this is indicative that the material exhibits fine grained behaviour, even if the dry mass of coarse grained material may exceed 65%.

#### Component proportions

The relative proportion of the dry mass of each particle size fraction is assessed to be a "primary", "secondary", or "minor" component of the soil mixture, depending on its influence over the soil behaviour.

Component	Definition <sup>1</sup>	tion <sup>1</sup> Relative Proportion	
Proportion Designation		In Fine Grained Soil	In Coarse Grained Soil
Primary	The component (particle size designation, refer above) which dominates the engineering behaviour of the soil	The clay/silt component with the greater proportion	The sand/gravel component with the greater proportion
Secondary	Any component which is not the primary, but is significant to the engineering properties of the soil	Any component with greater than 30% proportion	Any granular component with greater than 30%; or Any fine component with greater than 12%
Minor <sup>2</sup>	Present in the soil, but not significant to its engineering properties	All other components	All other components

<sup>1</sup> As defined in AS1726-2017 6.1.4.4

<sup>2</sup> In the detailed material description, minor components are split into two further sub-categories. Refer "identification of minor components" below.

#### Composite Materials

In certain situations, a lithology description may describe more than one material, for example, collectively describing a layer of interbedded sand and clay. In such a scenario, the two materials would be described independently, with the names preceded or followed by a statement describing the arrangement by which the materials co-exist. For example, "INTERBEDDED Silty CLAY AND SAND".



## Classification

The soil classification comprises a two character group symbol. The first character identifies the primary component. The second character identifies either the grading or presence of fines in a coarse grained soil, or the plasticity in a fine grained soil. Refer AS1726-2017 6.1.6 for further clarification.

#### Soil Name

For most soils, the name is derived with the primary component included as the noun (in upper case), preceded by any secondary components stated in an adjective form. In this way, the soil name also describes the general composition and indicates the dominant - for determination of component proportions, refer behaviour of the material.

Component <sup>1</sup>	Prominence in Soil Name		
Primary	Noun (eg "CLAY")		
Secondary	Adjective modifier (eg "Sandy")		
Minor	No influence		

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For materials which cannot be disaggregated, or which are not comprised of rock or mineral fragments, the names "ORGANIC MATTER" or "ARTIFICIĂL MATERIAL" may be used, in accordance with AS1726-2017 Table 14.

Commercial or colloquial names are not used for the soil name where a component derived name is possible (for example "Gravelly SAND" rather than "CRACKER DUST").

Materials of "fill" or "topsoil" origin are generally assigned a name derived from the primary/secondary component (where appropriate). In log descriptions this is preceded by uppercase "FILL" or "TOPSOIL". Origin uncertainty is indicated in the description by the characters (?), with the degree of uncertainty described (using the terms "probably" or "possibly" in the origin column, or at the end of the description).

#### Identification of minor components

Minor components are identified in the soil description immediately following the soil name. The minor component fraction is usually preceded with a term indicating the relative proportion of the component.

Minor Component	Relative Proportion		
Proportion Term	In Fine Grained Soil	In Coarse Grained Soil	
With	All fractions: 15-30%	Clay/silt: 5-12%	
		sand/gravel: 15-30%	
Trace	All fractions: 0-15%	Clay/silt: 0-5%	
		sand/gravel: 0-15%	

The terms "with" and "trace" generally apply only to gravel or fine particle fractions. Where cobbles/boulders are encountered in minor proportions (generally less than about 12%) the term "occasional" may be used. This term describes the sporadic distribution of the material within the confines of the investigation excavation only, and there may be considerable variation in proportion over a wider area which is difficult to factually characterise due to the relative size of the particles and the investigation methods.

## Soil Composition

<u>Plasticity</u> <u>G</u>				Grain Size			
Descriptive Laboratory liquid limit range		Туре			Particle size (mm)		
Term	Silt	Clay	Gravel	Coarse		19 - 63	
Non-plastic	Not applicable	Not applicable		Medium		6.7 - 19	
materials				Fine		2.36 – 6.7	
Low plasticity	≤50	≤35	Sand	Coarse		0.6 - 2.36	
Medium	Not applicable	>35 and ≤50		Medium		0.21 - 0.6	
plasticity				Fine		0.075 - 0.21	
High plasticity	>50	>50	Grading				
Note Plasticity descriptions generally describe the				Grading Term		Particle size (mm)	
plasticity behaviour of the whole of the fine grained soil.			Well	Well A good representation of a		ood representation of all	
not individual fine grained fractions.					particle sizes		
	0		Poorly		An excess or deficiency of		
					particular sizes within the		
				specified range			
		Uniformly		Essentially of one size			
		Gap		A deficiency of a particular size			
				or size range within the total			
				ran	ge		

Note, AS1726-2017 provides terminology for additional attributes not listed here.

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## **Soil Condition**

#### Moisture

The moisture condition of soils is assessed relative to the plastic limit for fine grained soils, while for coarse grained soils it is assessed based on the appearance and feel of the material. The moisture condition of a material is considered to be independent of stratigraphy (although commonly these are related), and this data is presented in its own column on logs.

Applicability	Term	Tactile Assessment	Abbreviation code
Fine	Dry of plastic limit	Hard and friable or powdery	w <pl< td=""></pl<>
	Near plastic limit	Can be moulded	w=PL
	Wet of plastic limit	Water residue remains on hands when handling	w>PL
	Near liquid limit	"oozes" when agitated	w=LL
	Wet of liquid limit	"oozes"	w>LL
Coarse	Dry	Non-cohesive and free running	D
	Moist	Feels cool, darkened in colour, particles may stick	Μ
		together	
	Wet	Feels cool, darkened in colour, particles may stick	W
		together, free water forms when handling	

The abbreviation code NDF, meaning "not-assessable due to drilling fluid use" may also be used.

Note, observations relating to free ground water or drilling fluids are provided independent of soil moisture condition.

#### Consistency/Density/Compaction/Cementation/Extremely Weathered Material

These concepts give an indication of how the material may respond to applied forces (when considered in conjunction with other attributes of the soil). This behaviour can vary independent of the composition of the material, and on logs these are described in an independent column and are generally mutually exclusive (i.e it is inappropriate to describe both consistency and compaction at the same time). The method by which the behaviour is described depends on the behaviour model and other characteristics of the soil as follows:

- In fine grained soils, the "consistency" describes the ease with which the soil can be remoulded, and is generally correlated against the materials undrained shear strength;
- In granular materials, the relative density describes how tightly packed the particles are, and is generally correlated against the density index;
- In anthropogenically modified materials, the compaction of the material is described qualitatively;
- In cemented soils (both natural and anthropogenic), the cemented "strength" is described qualitatively, relative to the difficulty with which the material is disaggregated; and
- In soils of extremely weathered material origin, the engineering behaviour may be governed by relic rock features, and expected behaviour needs to be assessed based the overall material description.

Quantitative engineering performance of these materials may be determined by laboratory testing or estimated by correlated field tests (for example penetration or shear vane testing). In some cases, performance may be assessed by tactile or other subjective methods, in which case investigation logs will show the estimated value enclosed in round brackets, for example (VS).

Consistency Term	Tactile Assessment	Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)	Abbreviation Code
Very soft	Extrudes between fingers when squeezed	<12	VS
Soft	Mouldable with light finger pressure	>12 - ≤25	S
Firm	Mouldable with strong finger pressure	>25 - ≤50	F
Stiff	Cannot be moulded by fingers	>50 - ≤100	St
Very stiff	Indented by thumbnail	>100 - ≤200	VSt
Hard	Indented by thumbnail with difficulty	>200	Н
Friable	Easily crumbled or broken into small pieces by hand	-	Fr

#### Consistency (fine grained soils)

Relative Density (coarse grained soils)

Relative Density Term	Density Index	Abbreviation Code
Very loose	<15	VL
Loose	>15 - ≤35	L
Medium dense	>35 - ≤65	MD
Dense	>65 - ≤85	D
Very dense	>85	VD

Note, tactile assessment of relative density is difficult, and generally requires penetration testing, hence a tactile assessment guide is not provided.



Compaction (	anthropog	genically	y modified soil)

Compaction Term	Abbreviation Code	
Well compacted	WC	
Poorly compacted	PC	
Moderately compacted	MC	
Variably compacted	VC	

#### Cementation (natural and anthropogenic)

Cementation Term	Abbreviation Code
Moderately cemented	MOD
Weakly cemented	WEK

## Extremely Weathered Material

AS1726-2017 considers weathered material to be soil if the unconfined compressive strength is less than 0.6 MPa (i.e. less than very low strength rock). These materials may be identified as "extremely weathered material" in reports and by the abbreviation code XWM on log sheets. This identification is not correlated to any specific qualitative or quantitative behaviour, and the engineering properties of this material must therefore be assessed according to engineering principles with reference to any relic rock structure, fabric, or texture described in the description.

## Soil Origin

Term	Description	Abbreviation Code
Residual	Derived from in-situ weathering of the underlying rock	RS
Extremely weathered material	Formed from in-situ weathering of geological formations. Has strength of less than 'very low' as per as1726 but retains the structure or fabric of the parent rock.	XWM
Alluvial	Deposited by streams and rivers	ALV
Estuarine	Deposited in coastal estuaries	EST
Marine	Deposited in a marine environment	MAR
Lacustrine	Deposited in freshwater lakes	LAC
Aeolian	Carried and deposited by wind	AEO
Colluvial	Soil and rock debris transported down slopes by gravity	COL
Slopewash	Thin layers of soil and rock debris gradually and slowly deposited by gravity and possibly water	SW
Topsoil	Mantle of surface soil, often with high levels of organic material	ТОР
Fill	Any material which has been moved by man	FILL
Littoral	Deposited on the lake or seashore	LIT
Unidentifiable	Not able to be identified	UID

## **Cobbles and Boulders**

The presence of particles considered to be "oversize" may be described using one of the following strategies:

- Oversize encountered in a minor proportion (when considered relative to the wider area) are noted in the soil description; or
- Where a significant proportion of oversize is encountered, the cobbles/boulders are described independent of the soil description, in a similar manner to composite soils (described above) but qualified with "MIXTURE OF".

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## **Rock Strength**

Rock strength is defined by the unconfined compressive strength, and it refers to the strength of the rock substance and not the strength of the overall rock mass, which may be considerably weaker due to defects.

The Point Load Strength Index Is(50) is commonly used to provide an estimate of the rock strength and site specific correlations should be developed to allow UCS values to be determined. The point load strength test procedure is described by Australian Standard AS4133.4.1-2007. The terms used to describe rock strength are as follows:

Strength Term	Unconfined Compressive	Point Load Index <sup>1</sup>	Abbreviation Code	
	Strength (MPa)	I <sub>s(50)</sub> MPa		
Very low	0.6 - 2	0.03 - 0.1	VL	
Low	2 - 6	0.1 - 0.3	L	
Medium	6 - 20	0.3 - 1.0	М	
High	20 - 60	1 - 3	Н	
Very high	60 - 200	3 - 10	VH	
Extremely high	>200	>10	EH	

<sup>1</sup> Rock strength classification is based on UCS. The UCS to  $I_{s(50)}$  ratio varies significantly for different rock types and specific ratios may be required for each site. The point load Index ranges shown above are as suggested in AS1726 and should not be relied upon without supporting evidence.

The following abbreviation codes are used for soil layers or seams of material "within rock" but for which the equivalent UCS strength is less than 0.6 MPa.

Scenario	Abbreviation Code
The material encountered has an equivalent UCS strength of less than 0.6 MPa, and therefore is considered to be soil (as per Note 1 of Table 20 of AS 1726-2017). The properties of the material encountered over this interval are described in the "Description of Strata" and soil properties columns.	SOIL
The material encountered has an equivalent UCS strength of less than 0.6 MPa, and therefore is considered to be soil (as per Note 1 of Table 20 of AS 1726-2017). The prominence of the material is such that it can be considered to be a seam (as defined in Table 22 of AS1726-2017) and the properties of the material are described in the defect column.	SEAM

#### **Degree of Weathering**

The degree of weathering of rock is classified as follows:

Weathering Term	Description	Abbreviation Code
Residual Soil <sup>1</sup>	Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are no longer visible, but the soil has not been significantly transported.	RS
Extremely weathered <sup>1</sup>	Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are still visible	XW
Highly weathered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable. Rock strength is significantly changed by weathering. Some primary minerals have weathered to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores.	HW
Moderately weathered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.	MW
Slightly weathered	Rock is partially discoloured with staining or bleaching along joints but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.	SW
Fresh	No signs of decomposition or staining.	FR
Note: If HW and MW cannot be differentiated use DW (see below)		
Distinctly weathered	Rock strength usually changed by weathering. The rock may be highly discoloured, usually by iron staining. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to deposition of weathered products in pores.	DW

<sup>1</sup> The parent rock type, of which the residual/extremely weathered material is a derivative, will be stated in the description (where discernible).



## Degree of Alteration

The degree of alteration of the rock material (physical or chemical changes caused by hot gasses or liquids at depth) is classified as follows:

Term	Description	Abbreviation Code	
Extremely altered	Material is altered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are still visible.	XA	
Highly altered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable. Rock strength is changed by alteration. Some primary minerals are altered to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to precipitation of secondary materials in pores.	ΗΑ	
Moderately altered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.	MA	
Slightly altered	Rock is slightly discoloured but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock	SA	
Note: If HA and MA cannot be differentiated use DA (see below)			
Distinctly altered	Rock strength usually changed by alteration. The rock may be highly discoloured, usually by staining or bleaching. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to precipitation of secondary minerals in pores.	DA	

## **Degree of Fracturing**

The following descriptive classification apply to the spacing of natural occurring fractures in the rock mass. It includes bedding plane partings, joints and other defects, but excludes drilling breaks. These terms are generally not required on investigation logs where fracture spacing is presented as a histogram, and where used are presented in an unabbreviated format.

Term	Description	
Fragmented	Fragments of <20 mm	
Highly Fractured	Core lengths of 20-40 mm with occasional fragments	
Fractured	Core lengths of 30-100 mm with occasional shorter and longer sections	
Slightly Fractured	Core lengths of 300 mm or longer with occasional sections of 100-300 mm	
Unbroken	Core contains very few fractures	

## **Rock Quality Designation**

The quality of the cored rock can be measured using the Rock Quality Designation (RQD) index, defined as:

RQD %= <u>cumulative length of 'sound' core sections > 100 mm long</u> total drilled length of section being assessed

where 'sound' rock is assessed to be rock of low strength or stronger. The RQD applies only to natural fractures. If the core is broken by drilling or handling (i.e., drilling breaks) then the broken pieces are fitted back together and are not included in the calculation of RQD.

## **Stratification Spacing**

These terms may be used to describe the spacing of bedding partings in sedimentary rocks. Where used, these terms are generally presented in an unabbreviated format

Term	Separation of Stratification Planes
Thinly laminated	< 6 mm
Laminated	6 mm to 20 mm
Very thinly bedded	20 mm to 60 mm
Thinly bedded	60 mm to 0.2 m
Medium bedded	0.2 m to 0.6 m
Thickly bedded	0.6 m to 2 m
Very thickly bedded	> 2 m


#### **Defect Descriptions**

#### Defect Type

Term	Abbreviation Code
Bedding plane	В
Infilled seam	IS
Cleavage	CV
Crushed zone	CZ
Decomposed seam	DS
Fault	F
Joint	JT
Lamination	LAM
Parting	P
Shear zone	SZ
Vein	VN
Drilling/handling break	DB , HB
Fracture	FC

#### Rock Defect Orientation

Term	Abbreviation Code	
Horizontal	Н	
Vertical	V	
Sub-horizontal	SH	
Sub-vertical	SV	

#### Rock Defect Coating

Term	Abbreviation Code	
Clean	CN	
Coating	СТ	
Healed	HE	
Infilled	INF	
Stained	SN	
Tight	TI	
Veneer	VNR	

#### Rock Defect Infill

Term	Abbreviation Code	
Calcite	CA	
Carbonaceous	CBS	
Clay	CLAY	
Iron oxide	FE	
Manganese	MN	

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#### Rock Defect Shape/Planarity

Term	Abbreviation Code	
Curved	CU	
Irregular	IR	
Planar	PR	
Stepped	ST	
Undulating	UN	

#### Rock Defect Roughness

Term	Abbreviation Code	
Polished	PO	
Rough	RF	
Slickensided	SL	
Smooth	SM	
Very rough	VR	

#### Defect Orientation

The inclination of defects is always measured from the perpendicular to the core axis.





# Sampling, Testing and Excavation Methodology

Terminology Symbols Abbreviations



#### Sampling and Testing

A record of samples retained, and field testing performed is usually shown on a Douglas Partners' log with samples appearing to the left of a depth scale, and selected field and laboratory testing (including results, where relevant) appearing to the right of the scale, as illustrated below:



#### Sampling

The type or intended purpose for which a sample was taken is indicated by the following abbreviation codes.

Sample Type	Code
Auger sample	Α
Bulk sample	В
Core sample	C
Disturbed sample	D
Sample from SPT test	SPT
Environmental sample	ES
Gas sample	G
Undisturbed tube sample	U <sup>1</sup>
Water sample	W
Piston sample	Ρ
Core sample for unconfined	UCS
compressive strength testing	
Material Sample	MT

<sup>1</sup> – numeric suffixes indicate tube diameter/width in mm

The above codes only indicate that a sample was retained, and not that testing was scheduled or performed.

#### Field and Laboratory Testing

A record that field and laboratory testing was performed is indicated by the following abbreviation codes.

Test Type	Code
Pocket penetrometer (kPa)	PP
Photo ionisation detector (ppm)	PID
Standard Penetration Test	SPT
x/y = x blows for y mm penetration	
HB = hammer bouncing	
HW = fell under weight of hammer	
Shear vane (kPa)	V
Unconfined compressive	UCS
strength, (MPa)	

#### Field and laboratory testing (continued)

Test Type	Code
Point load test, (MPa),	PLT(_)
axial (A), diametric (D),	
irregular (I)	
Dynamic cone penetrometer,	DCP/150
followed by blow count	
penetration increment in mm	
(cone tip, generally in accordance	
with AS1289.6.3.2)	
Perth sand penetrometer, followed	PSP/150
by blow count penetration	
increment in mm	
(flat tip, generally in accordance	
with AS1289.6.3.3)	

#### **Groundwater Observations**

$\triangleright$	seepage/inflov	N		
	standing or ob	served wat	er lev	/el
NFGWO	no free ground	dwater obse	rved	
OBS	observations	obscured	by	drilling
	fluids			

#### **Drilling or Excavation Methods/Tools**

The drilling/excavation methods used to perform the investigation may be shown either in a dedicated column down the left-hand edge of the log, or stated in the log footer. In some circumstances abbreviation codes may be used.

Method	Abbreviation	
Toothed bucket	TB <sup>1</sup>	
Mud/blade bucket	MB <sup>1</sup>	
Ripping tyne/ripper	R	
Rock breaker/hydraulic hammer	RB	
Hand auger	HA1	
NMLC series coring	NMLC	
HMLC series coring	HMLC	
NQ coring	NQ3	
HQ coring	HQ3	
PQ coring	PQ3	
Push tube	PT <sup>1</sup>	
Rock roller	RR <sup>1</sup>	
Solid flight auger. Suffixes:	AD <sup>1</sup>	
<pre>/T = tungsten carbide tip,</pre>		
/V = v-shaped tip		
Sonic drilling	SON <sup>1</sup>	
Vibrocore	VC <sup>1</sup>	
Wash bore (unspecified bit type)	WB <sup>1</sup>	
Existing exposure	X	
Hand tools (unspecified)	HAND	
Predrilled	PD	
Diatube	DT <sup>1</sup>	
Hollow flight auger	HSA <sup>1</sup>	
Vacuum excavation	VE	

<sup>1</sup> – numeric suffixes indicate tool diameter/width in mm



## FOUNDATION MAINTENANCE AND FOOTING PERFORMANCE



## This Building Technology Resource is designed to identify causes of soi -related building movement, and to suggest methods of prevention of resultant cracking.

Buildings can and often do move. This movement can be up, down, lateral or rotational. The fundamental cause of movement in buildings can usually be related to one or more problems in the foundation soil. It is important for the home owner to identify the soil type in order to ascertain the measures that should be put in place in order to ensure that problems in the foundation soil can be prevented, thus protecting against building movement.

#### SOIL TYPES

The types of soils usually present under the topsoil in land zoned for residential buildings can be split into two approximate groups – granular and clay, Quite often, foundation soil is a mixture of both types. The general problems associated with soils having granular content are usually caused by erosion. Clay soils are subject to saturation and swell/shrink problems.

Classifications for a given area can generally be obtained by application to the local authority, but these are sometimes unreliable and if there is doubt, a geotechnical report should be commissioned. As most buildings suffering movement problems are founded on clay soils, there is an emphasis on classification of soils according to the amount of swell and shrinkage they experience with variations of water content. Table 1 below is a reproduction of Table 2.1 from Australian Standard AS 2870-2011, Residential slabs and footings.

#### CAUSES OF MOVEMENT

#### SETTLEMENT DUE TO CONSTRUCTION

There are two types of settlement that occur as a result of construction:

- Immediate settlement occurs when a building is first placed on its foundation soil, as a result of compaction of the soil under the weight of the structure. The cohesive quality of clay soil mitigates against this, but granular (particularly sandy) soil is susceptible.
- Consolidation settlement is a feature of clay soil and may take place because of the expulsion of moisture from the soil or because of the soil's lack of resistance to local compressive or shear stresses. This will usually take place during the first few months after construction but has been known to take many years in exceptional cases.

These problems may be the province of the builder and should be taken into consideration as part of the preparation of the site for construction.

#### EROSION

All soils are prone to erosion, but sandy soil is particularly susceptible to being washed away. Even clay with a sand component of say 10% or more can suffer from erosion.

#### SATURATION

This is particularly a problem in clay soils. Saturation creates a boglike suspension of the soil that causes it to lose virtually all of its bearing capacity. To a lesser degree, sand is affected by saturation because saturated sand may undergo a reduction in volume, particularly imported sand fill for bedding and blinding layers. However, this usually occurs as immediate settlement and should normally be the province of the builder.

#### SEASONAL SWELLING AND SHRINKAGE OF SOIL

All clays react to the presence of water by slowly absorbing it, making the soil increase in volume (see table below, from AS 2870). The degree of increase varies considerably between cifferent clays, as does the degree of decrease during the subsequent drying out caused by fair weather periods. Because of the low at sorption and expulsion rate, this phenomenon will not usually be noticeable unless there are prolonged rainy or dry periods, usually of weeks or months, depending on the land and soil characteristics.

The swelling of soil creates an upward force on the footings of the building, and shrinkage creates subsidence that takes away the support needed by the footing to retain equilibrium.

#### SHEAR FAILURE

This phenomenon occurs when the foundation soil coes not have sufficient strength to support the weight of the foot ng. There are two major post-construction causes:

- Significant load increase.
- Reduction of lateral support of the soil under the Poting due to erosion or excavation.

In clay soil, shear failure can be caused by saturation of the soil adjacent to or under the footing.

#### TREE ROOT GROWTH

Trees and shrubs that are allowed to grow in the vicinity of footings can cause foundation soil movement in two ways:

 Roots that grow under footings may increase in closs-sectional size, exerting upward pressure on footings.

#### TABLE 1. GENERAL DEFINITIONS OF SITE CLASSES.

Class	Foundation
A	Most sand and rock sites with little or no ground movement from moisture changes
5	Slightly reactive clay sites, which may experience only slight ground movement from moisture changes
M	Moderately reactive day or silt sites, which may experience moderate ground movement from moisture changes
81	Highly reactive day sites, which may experience high ground movement from moisture changes
H2	Highly reactive clay sites, which may experience very high ground movement from moisture changes
ě.	Extremely reactive sites, which may experience extreme ground movement from moisture changes

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FIGURE 1 Trees can cause shrinkage and damage.

• Roots in the vicinity of footings will absorb much of the moisture in the foundation soil, causing shrinkage or subsidence.

#### UNEVENNESS OF MOVEMENT

The types of ground movement described above usually occur unevenly throughout the building's foundation soil. Settlement due to construction tends to be uneven because of:

- Differing compaction of foundation soil prior to construction.
- Differing moisture content of foundation soil prior to construction.

Movement due to non-construction causes is usually more uneven still. Erosion can undermine a footing that traverses the flow or can create the conditions for shear failure by eroding soil adjacent to a footing that runs in the same direction as the flow.

Saturation of clay foundation soil may occur where subfloor walls create a dam that makes water pond. It can also occur wherever there is a source of water near footings in clay soil. This leads to a severe reduction in the strength of the soil which may create local shear failure.

Seasonal swelling and shrinkage of clay soil affects the perimeter of the building first, then gradually spreads to the interior through absorption. The swelling process will usually begin at the uphill extreme of the building, or on the weather side where the land is flat. Shrinkage usually begins on the side of the building where the sun's heat is greatest.

#### EFFECTS OF UNEVEN SOIL MOVEMENT ON STRUCTURES

#### **EROSION AND SATURATION**

Erosion removes the support from under footings, tending to create subsidence of the part of the structure under which it occurs. Brickwork walls will resist the stress created by this removal of support by bridging the gap or cantilevering until the bricks or the mortar bedding fail. Older masonry has little resistance. Evidence of failure varies according to circumstances and symptoms may include:

- Step cracking in the mortar beds in the body of the wall or above/below openings such as doors or windows.
- Vertical cracking in the bricks (usually but not necessarily in line with the vertical beds or perpends).

Isolated piers affected by erosion or saturation of foundations will eventually lose contact with the bearers they support and may tilt or fall over. The floors that have lost this support will become bouncy, sometimes rattling ornaments etc.

#### SEASONAL SWELLING/SHRINKAGE IN CLAY

Swelling foundation soil due to rainy periods first lifts the most exposed extremities of the footing system, then the remainder of the perimeter footings while gradually permeating inside the building footprint to lift internal footings. This swelling first tends to create a dish effect, because the external footings are pushed higher than the internal ones.

The first noticeable symptom may be that the floor appears slightly dished. This is often accompanied by some doors binding on the floor or the door head, together with some cracking of cornice mitres. In buildings with timber flooring supported by bearers and joists, the floor can be bouncy. Externally there may be visible dishing of the hip or ridge lines.

As the moisture absorption process completes its journey to the innermost areas of the building, the internal footings will rise. If the spread of moisture is roughly even, it may be that the symptoms will temporarily disappear, but it is more likely that swelling will be uneven, creating a difference rather than a disappearance in symptoms. In buildings with timber flooring supported by bearers and joists, the isolated piers will rise more easily than the strip footings or piers under walls, creating noticeable doming of flooring.

As the weather pattern changes and the soil begins to dry out, the external footings will be first affected, beginning with the locations where the sun's effect is strongest. This has the effect of lowering the external footings. The doming is accentuated, and cracking reduces or disappears where it occurred because of dishing, but other cracks open up. The roof lines may become convex.

Doming and dishing are also affected by weather in other ways. In areas where warm, wet summers and cooler dry winters prevail, water migration tends to be toward the interior and doming will be accentuated, whereas where summers are dry, and winters are cold and wet, migration tends to be toward the exterior and the underlying propensity is toward dishing.

#### **MOVEMENT CAUSED BY TREE ROOTS**

In general, growing roots will exert an upward pressure on footings, whereas soil subject to drying because of tree or shrub roots will tend to remove support from under footings by inducing shrinkage.

#### COMPLICATIONS CAUSED BY THE STRUCTURE ITSELF

Most forces that the soil causes to be exerted on structures are vertical – i.e. either up or down. However, because these forces are seldom spread evenly around the footings, and because the building resists uneven movement because of its rigidity, forces are exerted from one part of the building to another. The net result of all these forces is usually rotational. This resultant force often complicates the diagnosis because the visible symptoms do not simply reflect the original cause. A common symptom is binding of doors on the vertical member of the frame.

#### EFFECTS ON FULL MASONRY STRUCTURES

Brickwork will resist cracking where it can. It will attempt to span areas that lose support because of subsided foundations or raised points. It is therefore usual to see cracking at weak points, such as openings for windows or doors.

In the event of construction settlement, cracking will usually remain unchanged after the process of settlement has ceased.

With local shear or erosion, cracking will usually continue to develop until the original cause has been remedied, or until the subsidence has completely neutralised the affected portion of footing and the structure has stabilised on other footings that remain effective.

In the case of swell/shrink effects, the brickwork will in some cases return to its original position after completion of a cycle, however it is more likely that the rotational effect will not be exactly reversed, and it is also usual that brickwork will settle in its new position and will resist the forces trying to return it to its original position. This means that in a case where swelling takes place after construction and cracking occurs, the cracking is likely to at least partly remain after the shrink segment of the cycle is complete. Thus, each time the cycle is repeated, the likelihood is that the cracking will become wider until the sections of brickwork become virtually independent.

With repeated cycles, once the cracking is established, if there is no other complication, it is normal for the incidence of cracking to stabilise, as the building has the articulation it needs to cope with the problem. This is by no means always the case, however, and monitoring of cracks in walls and floors should always be treated seriously.

Upheaval caused by growth of tree roots under footings is not a simple vertical shear stress. There is a tendency for the root to also

exert lateral forces that attempt to separate sections of brickwork after initial cracking has occurred.

The normal structural arrangement is that the inner leaf of brickwork in the external walls and at least some of the internal walls (depending on the roof type) comprise the load-bearing structure on which any upper floors, ceilings and the roof are supported. In these cases, it is internally visible cracking that should be the main focus of attention, however there are a few examples of dwellings whose external leaf of masonry plays some supporting role, so this should be checked if there is any doubt. In any case, externally visible cracking is important as a guide to stresses on the structure generally, and it should also be remembered that the external walls must be capable of supporting themselves.

#### EFFECTS ON FRAMED STRUCTURES

Timber or steel framed buildings are less likely to exhibit cracking due to swell/shrink than masonry buildings because of their flexibility. Also, the doming/dishing effects tend to be lower because of the lighter weight of walls. The main risks to framed buildings are encountered because of the isolated pier footings used under walls. Where erosion or saturation causes a footing to fall away, this can double the span which a wall must bridge. This additional stress can create cracking in wall linings, particularly where there is a weak point in the structure caused by a door or window opening. It is, however, unlikely that framed structures will be so stressed as to suffer serious damage without first exhibiting some or all of the above symptoms for a considerable period. The same warning period should apply in the case of upheaval. It should be noted, however, that where framed buildings are supported by strip footings there is only one leaf of brickwork and therefore the externally visible walls are the supporting structure for the building. In this case, the subfloor masonry walls can be expected to behave as full brickwork walls.

#### EFFECTS ON BRICK VENEER STRUCTURES

Because the load-bearing structure of a brick veneer building is the frame that makes up the interior leaf of the external walls plus perhaps the internal walls, depending on the type of roof, the building can be expected to behave as a framed structure, except that the external masonry will behave in a similar way to the external leaf of a full masonry structure.

#### WATER SERVICE AND DRAINAGE

Where a water service pipe, a sewer or stormwater drainage pipe is in the vicinity of a building, a water leak can cause erosion, swelling or saturation of susceptible soil. Even a minuscule leak can be enough to saturate a clay foundation. A leaking tap near a building can have the same effect. In addition, trenches containing pipes can become watercourses even though backfilled, particularly where broken rubble is used as fill. Water that runs along these trenches can be responsible for serious erosion, interstrata seepage into subfloor areas and saturation.

Pipe leakage and trench water flows also encourage tree and shrub roots to the source of water, complicating and exacerbating the problem. Poor roof plumbing can result in large volumes of rainwater being concentrated in a small area of soil:

- Incorrect falls in roof guttering may result in overflows, as may gutters blocked with leaves etc.
- Corroded guttering or downpipes can spill water to ground.
- Downpipes not positively connected to a proper stormwater collection system will direct a concentration of water to soil that is directly adjacent to footings, sometimes causing largescale problems such as erosion, saturation and migration of water under the building.

#### SERIOUSNESS OF CRACKING

In general, most cracking found in masonry walls is a cosmetic nuisance only and can be kept in repair or even ignored. Table 2 below is a reproduction of Table C1 of AS 2870-2011. AS 2870-2011 also publishes figures relating to cracking in concrete floors, however because wall cracking will usually reach the critical point significantly earlier than cracking in slabs, this table is not reproduced here.

#### PREVENTION AND CURE

#### PLUMBING

Where building movement is caused by water service, roof plumbing, sewer or stormwater failure, the remedy is to repair the problem. It is prudent, however, to consider also rerouting pipes away from the building where possible and relocating taps to positions where any leakage will not direct water to the building vicinity. Even where gully traps are present, there is sometimes sufficient spill to create erosion or saturation, particularly in modern installations using smaller diameter PVC fixtures. Indeed, some gully traps are not situated directly under the taps that are installed to charge them, with the result that water from the tap may enter the backfilled trench that houses the sewer piping. If the trench has been poorly backfilled, the water will either pond or flow along the bottom of the trench. As these trenches usually run alongside the footings and can be at a similar depth, it is not hard to see how any water that is thus directed into a trench can easily affect the foundation's ability to support footings or even gain entry to the subfloor area.

#### **GROUND DRAINAGE**

In all soils there is the capacity for water to travel on the surface and below it. Surface water flows can be established by inspection during and after heavy or prolonged rain. If necessary, a grated drain system connected to the stormwater collection system is usually an easy solution.

It is, however, sometimes necessary when attempting to prevent water migration that testing be carried out to establish watertable height and subsoil water flows. This subject may be regarded as an area for an expert consultant.

#### PROTECTION OF THE BUILDING PERIMETER

It is essential to remember that the soil that affects footings extends well beyond the actual building line. Watering of garden plants, shrubs and trees causes some of the most serious water problems.

For this reason, particularly where problems exist or are likely to occur, it is recommended that an apron of paving be installed around as much of the building perimeter as necessary. This paving should extend outwards a minimum of 900 mm (more in highly reactive soil) and should have a minimum fall away from the building of 1:60. The finished paving should be no less than 100 mm below brick vent bases.

It is prudent to relocate drainage pipes away from this paving, if possible, to avoid complications from future leakage. If this is not practical, earthenware pipes should be replaced by PVC and backfilling should be of the same soil type as the surrounding soil and compacted to the same density.

Except in areas where freezing of water is an issue, it is wise to remove taps in the building area and relocate them well away from the building – preferably not uphill.

It may be desirable to install a grated drain at the outside edge of the paving on the uphill side of the building. If subsoil drainage is needed this can be installed under the surface drain.

#### CONDENSATION

In buildings with a subfloor void, such as where bearers and joists support flooring, insufficient ventilation creates ideal conditions for condensation, particularly where there is little clearance between the floor and the ground. Condensation adds to the moisture already present in the subfloor and significantly slows the process of drying out. Installation of an adequate subfloor ventilation system, either natural or mechanical, is desirable.

#### TABLE 2. CLASSIFICATION OF DAMAGE WITH REFERENCE TO WALLS.

Description of typical damage and required repair	Approximate crack width limit	Damage category
Hairline cracks	<0.1 mm	0 - Negligible
Fine cracks which do not need repair	<1 mm	1 - Very Slight
Cracks noticeable but easily filled. Doors and windows stick slightly.	<5 mm	2-Slight
Cracks can be repaired and possibly a small amount of wall will need to be replaced. Doors and windows stick. Service pipes can fracture. Weathertightness often impaired.	5–15 mm (or a number of cracks 3 mm or more in one group)	3 - Moderate
Extensive repair work involving breaking-out and replacing sections of walls, especially over doors and windows. Window and door frames distart. Walls learn or bulke noticeably, some loss of	15–25 mm but also depends on number of cracks	4 - Severe

bearing in beams. Service pipes disrupted.

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Warning: Although this Building Technology Resource deals with cracking in buildings, it should be said that subfloor moisture can result in the development of other problems, notably:

- Water that is transmitted into masonry, metal or timber building elements causes damage and/or decay to those elements.
- High subfloor humidity and moisture content create an ideal environment for various pests, including termites and spiders, and mould.
- Where high moisture levels are transmitted to the flooring and walls, an increase in the dust mite count can ensue within the living areas. Dust mites, as well as dampness in general, can be a health hazard to inhabitants, particularly those who are abnormally susceptible to respiratory ailments.

#### THE GARDEN

The ideal vegetation layout is to have lawn or plants that require only light watering immediately adjacent to the drainage or paving edge, then more demanding plants, shrubs and trees spread out in that order.

Overwatering due to misuse of automatic watering systems is a common cause of saturation and water migration under footings. If it is necessary to use these systems, it is important to remove garden beds to a completely safe distance from buildings.

#### **EXISTING TREES**

Where a tree is causing a problem of soil drying or there is the existence or threat of upheaval of footings, if the offending roots are subsidiary and their removal will not significantly damage the tree, they should be severed and a concrete or metal barrier placed vertically in the soil to prevent future root growth in the direction of the building. If it is not possible to remove the relevant roots without damage to the tree, an application to remove the tree should be made to the local authority. A prudent plan is to transplant likely offenders before they become a problem.

#### INFORMATION ON TREES, PLANTS AND SHRUBS

State departments overseeing agriculture can give information regarding root patterns, volume of water needed and safe distance from buildings of most species. Botanic gardens are also sources of information.



FIGURE 2 Gardens for a reactive site.

#### EXCAVATION

Excavation around footings must be properly engineered. Soil supporting footings can only be safely excavated at an angle that allows the soil under the footing to remain stable. This angle is called the angle of repose (or friction) and varies significantly between soil types and conditions. Removal of soil within the angle of repose will cause subsidence.

#### REMEDIATION

Where erosion has occurred that has washed away soil adjacent to footings, soil of the same classification should be introduced and compacted to the same density. Where footings have been undermined, augmentation or other specialist work may be required. Remediation of footings and foundations is generally the realm of a specialist consultant.

Where isolated footings rise and fall because of swell/shrink effect, the home owner may be tempted to alleviate floor bounce by filling the gap that has appeared between the bearer and the pier with blocking. The danger here is that when the next swell segment of the cycle occurs, the extra blocking will push the floor up into an accentuated dome and may also cause local shear failure in the soil. If it is necessary to use blocking, it should be by a pair of fine wedges and monitoring should be carried out fortnightly.



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	GROUNDWATER	RL (m) DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	E STRENGTH H	<sup>#</sup> RECOVERY (%)	RQD	SPACINE SPACING (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	түре	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
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	1	<u>+</u>				H	W=PL											 	PP	—380-400kPa
	-	2.00	O Silty CLAY (CI): pale brown mottled orange and grey; medium plasticity.		XWM	H	w <pl< td=""><td>-</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>- 2 - - 2 -  </td><td></td><td></td></pl<>	-										- 2 - - 2 -  		
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31:54:28 PM	f	70	orange brown; iron staining	$\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{x}_{1} \\ \mathbf{x}_{2} \\ \mathbf{x}_{3} \\ \mathbf{x}_{4} \\ \mathbf{x}_{4} \\ \mathbf{x}_{5} \\ \mathbf{x}$				SEAM HW SEAM	- 3.13 - - 3.22 - - 3.33 - - 3.44 - - 3.52 - - 3.56 -	SEAM VL SEAM U SEAM			SEAM SEAM	3.13-322 3.33-3.4 3.52-3.5 3.68m: 1	2m : CS 4m: CS 6m: CS P, SH, PR,			  		
- Combined Log - 17/11/202:		4	- - -					MW to HW		u	100	23		Fe, SM 3.80m F Clay, SM 3.87m: F SM 3.94-4.0 4.11m: J RF 4.19m: F	P, SH, PR, 4 P, SH, PR, 04m: FC T/60°, PR, P, SH, PR,				- PLT -	— PL(I)=0.16MPa — PL(I)=0.16MPa
erated with CORE-GS by Geroc		2	-					нw	- 4.54 -	VL				Clay, SN 4.27m: SM 4.30m1 Clay, SN 4.44m: Fe, SM 4.60m: Clay, SN 4.90m:	1 JT/50°, PR, P, SH, PR, 1 P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, 1 JT/50°, PR,			  	- PLT -	PL(A)=0.05MPa
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PLANT: Hanjin 8D

**OPERATOR:** Total Drilling (D Tranter) LOGGED: Chaplin

METHOD: Solid Flight Auger to 3.04m, then NMLC to 10.3m depth CASINC: HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 



CLIENT: Ausgrid

**PROJECT:** New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation **LOCATION:** Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, MusewIlbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 135.4 AHD

**COORDINATE:** E:312143.6, N:6418527.0 **DATUM/GRID:** MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---° LOCATION ID: 20 PROJECT No: 224764.00 DATE: 28/09/23 SHEET: 2 of 3



PLANT: Hanjin 8D OPERATOR: Total Drilling (D Tranter) METHOD: Solid Flight Auger to 3.04m, then NMLC to 10.3m depth CASING: HWT to 2.5m REMARKS:



CLIENT:AusgridPROJECT:New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation

LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, MusewIlbrook, NSW

BOREHOLE LOG SURFACE LEVEL: 135.4 AHD

**COORDINATE:** E:312143.6, N:6418527.0 **DATUM/GRID:** MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---° LOCATION ID:20 PROJECT No: 224764.00 DATE: 28/09/23 SHEET: 3 of 3



**METHOD:** Solid Flight Auger to 3.04m, then NMLC to 10.3m depth **CASING:** HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 





CLIENT: Ausgrid

PROJECT: New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 136.4 AHD

**BOREHOLE LOG** 

COORDINATE: E:312117.3, N:6418543.9 PROJECT No: 224764.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 21 **DATE:** 03/10/23 SHEET: 1 of 5

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						SOIL	-					ROC	к	1					1		
GROUNDWATER	aL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)			RECOVERY (%)	RQD	FRACTURE     SPACING     (m)	DEFECTS &	SAMPLE REMARKS	TVPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
eq		0.05	TOPSOIL	×	-	-	-			Lá là	j_l>le	<u> </u>	_				ES	Ē			
ee groundwater observ	136	-	Silty CLAY (Cl): brown; medium plasticity. 0.00m-0.10m: trace rootlets		RS	н	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>ES U50</td><td></td><td>- 0.40 - - 0.50 - - 0.63 -</td><td>- PP</td><td>—&gt;400kPa</td></pl<>										ES U50		- 0.40 - - 0.50 - - 0.63 -	- PP	—>400kPa
No fre	-	0.90 1 -	Silty CLAY (CI): pale brown mottled grey and orange; medium plasticity.					-											- · ·	SPT	9,12,13 N=25
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2023 MH 46: <del>3</del> -21	133	<u>.</u>	SILTSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining					НW		•	Ш	100	0		3.11m Clay, 3.15m 3.21-3 3.41n Fe, Sl 3.61m Fe, Sl 3.68m	x P, SH, PR, SM 330m: FC τ P, SH, PR, M n: P, SH, PR, M n: P, SH, PR, M n: P, SH, PR, M n: FC				- PLT	— PL(A)=0.16MPa
Geroc - Combined Log - 1//11/	32	4 -								Þ					4.051 Fe, Sl Fe, Sl Fe, Sl	m P, SH, PR, M m: P, SH, PR, M m P, SH, PR,			 - 4 - 	PLT	— PL(D)=0.01MPa
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PLANT: Hanjin 8D

**OPERATOR:** Total Drilling (D Tranter) **LOGGED:** Chaplin

METHOD: Solid flight auger to 3.0m, then NMLC to 20.74m depth CASINC: HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 



CLIENT: Ausgrid

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**PROJECT:** New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, MusewIlbrook, NSW DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56

SURFACE LEVEL: 136.4 AHD

**BOREHOLE LOG** 

COORDINATE: E:312117.3, N:6418543.9 **PROJECT No:** 224764.00 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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														SA	MPL	E			TESTING	
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	L M H STRENGTH		RQD (2)	∰ FRACTURE SPACING (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	151	-	[CONT] SILTSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining							• VL	100	0		- 5.03m: 1 Fe, SM - 5.15m: F SM, Fe/ - 5.36m: 1 TI Fe, SI 5.52m: 1	P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, Clay P, SH, PR, M P. SH, PR,				- PLT	
		6 -	5.52m-5.33m: carbonate (limestone) band					HW	5:55 - - 6.05 -	• u				Clay, SN 5.66m:1 Fe, SM 5.69m:1 S.69m:1 S.78m:1 S.78m:1 S.78m:1 S.96m:1 Fe, SM 5.96m:1 Fe, SM	<ul> <li>p, SH, PR,</li> <li>p, SH, PR,</li> <li>p, SH, PR,</li> <li>Clay</li> <li>p, SH, PR,</li> <li>20m: FC</li> </ul>				- PLT	— PL(A)=0.11MPa
	130	-	From 6.05m: becoming dark grey						:	>				6.15m : F Fe, SM - 6.48m Fe, SM - 6.68m : TI Fe, SI - 6.80m : TI Fe, SI - 6.91m J	P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, M P, SH, PR, M T, 50°, PR,				- PLT PLT	—PL(D)=0.02MPa ``PL(A)=0.01MPa
	671	7 -						MW		VL	100	0	J.	– 7.16m: F Fe 727m: Fe, SM – 7.50m Fe, RF – 7.62m: Fe, RF	Р, SH, PR, JT, 30°, PR, JT, 20° , PR, JT, 20°, PR,			- 7 -	- PLT	— PL(A)=0.08MPa — PL(A)=0.06MPa
	128	8 -												7.78m Fe, SM 7.81m: Fe, SM 7.93m: Fe, SM 7.96m N 176, S1 8.12m; Fe, SM 8.17m: Fe, SM 8.32m: Fe, RF 8.32m: Fe, RF 8.32m; Fe, SM 8.32m; Fe, SM 8	P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, JT, 20°, PR, M 20, SH, PR, JT, 50°, PR, JT, 60°, PR JT, 15°, PR, 5m: FC 5221: FC 5221: FC	7		- 8 -	- - - - - -	
	171	9 -	8.84m-8.85m: quartz					SEAM SW	<b>8.74</b> - <b>8.85</b> - <b>8.96</b> - <b>9.06</b>	SEAM VL O	100	83	SEAM	8.86m: Fe, SM 8.74-8.8 8.86m: Fe, SM 8.87m: Fe, SM 8.96m: Fe, RF 9.02m: SM	P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR,	UCS		- 9 - - 9.06 - 	PLT PLT	PL(D)=0.04MPa PL(A)=0.05MPa PL(D)=0.37MPa PL(D)=1.52MPa
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METHOD: Solid flight auger to 3.0m, then NMLC to 20.74m depth CASINC: HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 



CLIENT: Ausgrid **PROJECT:** New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation

LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook, NSW

### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 136.4 AHD COORDINATE: E:312117.3, N:6418543.9 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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	CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED													SA	MPL	E			TESTING			
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	GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	L M STRENCTH		KECOVER (%)	RQD	REACTURE Search Spacing (m) (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	-		11 -	[CONT] SILTSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining									100	83							- PLT -	— PL(A)=1.37MPa — PL(A)=1.37MPa
		124	12 -						FR		• н							UCS		- 12 -  - 12.35 -                       	PLT -	PL(A)=1.2MPa
Cenerated with CORE-CS by Geroc - Combined Log - 17/11/2023 1:54:35 PM		123	15 -										100	100						- 13	+ - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	PL(A)=1.29MPa

PLANT: Hanjin 8D

**OPERATOR:** Total Drilling (D Tranter) LOGGED: Chaplin

METHOD: Solid flight auger to 3.0m, then NMLC to 20.74m depth CASINC: HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 


CLIENT: Ausgrid **PROJECT:** New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation

LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, MusewIlbrook, NSW DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56

# **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 136.4 AHD COORDINATE: E:312117.3, N:6418543.9 **PROJECT No:** 224764.00 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)		E E	RECOVERY (%)	RQD	FRACTURE     SPACING     SPACING     Small     (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
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PLANT: Hanjin 8D

**OPERATOR:** Total Drilling (D Tranter) **LOGGED:** Chaplin

METHOD: Solid flight auger to 3.0m, then NMLC to 20.74m depth CASINC: HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 



CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation

LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook, NSW

BOREHOLE LOG SURFACE LEVEL: 136.4 AHD

**COORDINATE:** E:312117.3, N:6418543.9 **DATUM/GRID:** MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---° LOCATION ID: 21 PROJECT No: 224764.00 DATE: 03/10/23 SHEET: 5 of 5



**METHOD:** Solid flight auger to 3.0m, then NMLC to 20.74m depth **CASINC:** HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 



CLIENT: Ausgrid

**PROJECT:** New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, MusewIlbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 134.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:311956.3, N:6418499.2 **PROJECT No:** 224764.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAN	<b>IPLE</b>				TESTING AND REMARKS
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CLIENT: Ausgrid

**PROJECT:** New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, MusewIlbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 134.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:311956.3, N:6418499.2 **PROJECT No:** 224764.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED	)				SAM	1PLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	BL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA [CONT] Silty CLAY (CI): brown mottled grey and orange; medium plasticity.	× × × × × × ×	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	-	3.50	3.50m: increased drill resistance, indicative of rock Borehole discontinued at 3.50m depth. TC refusal.		ХWМ	H to Fr	w <pl< th=""><th></th><th></th><th></th><th></th><th>- - -</th><th></th></pl<>					- - -	
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CLIENT: Ausgrid

**PROJECT:** New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, MusewIlbrook, NSW DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56

SURFACE LEVEL: 136.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:312091.8, N:6418532.8 PROJECT No: 224764.00 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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•	0.05	Clayey SILT, trace gravel: brown; low plasticity; trace rootlets.	184,784,784,784,784,784 195,94,284,295,94,284 195,84,284,284,284,284	RS	Н	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td><u>~</u> K</td><td></td><td>0.10 -</td><td></td><td></td></pl<>		<u>~</u> K		0.10 -		
136	-	Silty Sandy CLAY, trace gravel: brown-dark brown; medium plasticity; fine to medium sand; fine gravel.						A 150		0.50 <b>-</b> - - - - - - - -	PP -	—>400kPa
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SURFACE LEVEL: 135.5 AHD

COORDINATE: E:312102.4, N:6418510.6 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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#### CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING SOIL ROCK CONSIS.<sup>(7)</sup> DENSITY.<sup>(7)</sup> FRACTURE STRENGTH GROUNDWATER SPACING (m) RESULTS RECOVERY (%) Ē DEFECTS & ТҮРЕ Ē MOISTURE DEPTH (m) REMARKS REMARKS NTERVAL AND GRAPHIC **ORIGIN**<sup>(#)</sup> WEATH. SAMPLE **DEPTH** ( DEPTH DESCRIPTION REMARKS TYPE RQD **FEST** OF Ē STRATA 塭 80 89 0.05 VSt D/ES No free groundwater observed TOPSOIL Jar w<PL 0.20 Silty CLAY (CH), with sand: N=PL RS 0.40 Jar D/ES brown; high plasticity; fine Ю to 0.50 DCDG to coarse sand. v<₽I 22 0.70 0.70 D Silty CLAY (CI-CH), with 0.90 sand: pale brown grey PP, -550-580kPa mottled orange; medium SPT -3,8,10 N=18 to high plasticity; fine to \>600kPa coarse sand. 134 PP RS н v<DI 2 2 R 2.50 Silty CLAY (CI-CH): grey SPT 15.5/50 260 2.70-2.80m: JT, 50°, ST, HE Clay, SM brown mottled orange; PLT PL(D)=0.01MPa PLT PL(A)=0.01MPa KWM medium to high plasticity; SM 2.82-292m: JT, trace rock fragments as 3.10 50°, PR, CN, SM 2.95-3.20m: JT, 3.10 gravel. нw PLT –PL(A)=0.12MPa • VL 23532011.31, 70°, CU, TI, SM 325m : JT, 70°, ST SN Fe, RF 24 100 3.33 3.33 Silty CLAY (CI): grey 132 mottled orange; medium w<bi н SEAN SEAM SEAM хwм plasticity; borderline silty PLT -PL(D)=0.02MPa clay / siltstone, crumbling PL(A)=0.03MPa PLT 3.86 in hand. 4 4 4.10m : P, 10°, PR, SN Fe, RF SILTSTONE: grey orange 4.11-430m: JT, 85° PR, HE Clay, SM 4.45m JT, 30°, PR, SN Fe, SM 4.60m: JT, 70°, PR, SN Fe, SM Silty CLAY (CI): grey brown PLT -PL(D)=0.02MPa mottled orange; medium 5 \PL(A)=0.02MPa PLT НW VL plasticity; borderline silty clay / siltstone, crumbling 100 19 4.70-4.82m: JT xx9, 60°, PR, HE Clay, SM 5.17m: JT, 30°, ST, SN Fe, SM in hand PLT -PL(D)=0.02MPa 5 5 SILTSTONE: orange grey PL(A)=0.01MPa PLT 1 -PL(A)=0.02MPa PLT н w<PI SEAM SEAM SEAM \PL(D)=0.02MPa 521m: JT, 30°, PR, TI, SM PLT 8 5.52 н w<PL SEAM SEAM SEAM 5.30m: JT, 30° , PR SN Fe, SM 5 77 SN Fe, SM 5.80-605m: JT xx12, 20°, PR Fe, SM, SN/HE, 002-0.03m spacing 6.10-6.15m JT, 60° PR, HE Fe, RF 6.39, 64 20m: TT 6 6 ----PIT -PI (D)=0.02MPa ß 6.38-648m: JT, 70°, CU, HE Fe, \PL(A)=0.05MPa мw PIT to SW VL SM 6.55m JT 30° PR 6.55m JT, 30°, F SM, FE/Clay, SN/HE 6.63-6.75m: JT, 70°, PR, HE Fe, SM 7 5 100 10 ¬PL(D)=0.05MPa ¬PL(A)=0.07MPa PLT PLT 6.75m: JT, 30°, PR 82 SM 6.85m: JT, 30° , CL CN CA, SM w<PL н SEAN SEAM SEAM 6.87-6.95m: JT, 70°, PR, SN Fe, 8 8 SМ SW 6.98m : JT, 60°, PR to FR SN Fe. SM −PL(D)=0.79MPa −PL(A)=1.02MPa SN F-e, SM 720-7.33m: JT xx2, 60°, PR, SN Fe, RF 7.43m JT, 40-60°, CU, HE Fe, SM 7.50m JT, 10°, CU, HE Fe, SM 7.56 7.60m: JT PLT 5 B 48 PLT 8.87m-10.10m: pyrite 9 9 nodules 7.56-7.60m: JT 40°, CU, SN Fe FR 100 100 RF 8.10m P, 5°, PR, HE Fe, SM 8.15m: P, 5°, PR, SN Fe, RF 9.40 UCS 9.73 PLT \_PL(D)=0.39MPa H 8.17m: P. 5°. PR. cy/Relative density shading is for NOTES: Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consiste n cohesive and q

PLANT: Hanjin 8D

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**OPERATOR:** Total Drilling (D Tranter) LOGGED: Runge

METHOD: Solid flight auger with TC bit to 2.6m, NMLC coring to 11. CASING: HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 



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SURFACE LEVEL: 135.5 AHD

**BOREHOLE LOG** 

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**METHOD:** Solid flight auger with TC bit to 2.6m, NMLC coring to 11.5 **CASING:** HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 





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SURFACE LEVEL: 134.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:312087.5, N:6418487.1 PROJECT No: 224764.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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LANT:         Hanjin 8D         OPERATOR:         Total Drilling (D Tranter)         LOGGED:         Gilmour	NOTES:	<sup>#</sup> Soil orig	gin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consistency/Relative densit anjin 8D	y shading is	s for visu	al reference OPERA	tor:	correlation bet	ween ng	cohes (D Ti	ve and g	granula r)	ar materials is implied. LOGGED: Gilmour



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PROJECT: New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 133.6 AHD COORDINATE: E:312146.6, N:6418477.6 PROJECT No: 224764.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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SURFACE LEVEL: 134.8 AHD

**COORDINATE:** E:312132.2, N:6418502.0 **DATUM/GRID:** MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---° LOCATION ID: 27 PROJECT No: 224764.00 DATE: 05/10/23 SHEET: 1 of 4



PLANT: Hanjin 80 METHOD: REMARKS: OPERATOR: Total Drilling (D Tranter) LOGGED: Runge CASING: HWT to 2.5m



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SURFACE LEVEL: 134.8 AHD

**BOREHOLE LOG** 

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	621	6 -	5.70m-5.76m: fragmented due to drilling					MW SEAM MW	- 5.76 -	VL to L SEAM	_		SEAM	5.47-55 30°, CU 5.51-5.55 5.56m: 5.56m: 5.64m: HE Fe, S 5.69-57 5.0°, PR	1m: JT, , SN Fe, 5m: CS JT, 20°, PR, 5M JT, 30°, CU, 5M 0m: JT, ,SN Fe,			- - - - 6 -	- PLT -	
			-	$\begin{array}{c} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 &$				SEAM MW	- 6.12 - - 6.19 - - 6.53 - - 6.56 -	SEAM VL			SEAM	SM 5.70-5.7 5.76-5.8 5.94-5.9 70°, PR SM 6.03m: SN Fe, I 6.12-6.19 6.19m J	6m : FG .7m: CS .95m: JT, , SN Fe, P, 5°, PR, RF .0m: CS T, 70°, ST,			- - - 	- - - -	
	871	7 -						MW		u	100	17	r	SN Fe, I 6.29-6.3 - 70°, CU 5M 6.40-6.4 70°, PR Fe/Clay 6.53-65 6.56-6.6 70°, CU ST/TI 6.82-68 80°, PR	RF 4m: JT, 50 J, HE Fe, SM, SM, SN/HE 6m: CS 4m: JT, Fe, SM, 6m: JT, SN Fe, RF			- - - 7 - - -	PLT -	PL(A)=0.16MPa
	4	7.79	7.41m-7.43m: quartz band					SEAM	7.75 - 7.79 -	SEAM			SEAM	6.82m + SN Fe, I SN Fe, I SN Fe, I 6.99m: SN Fe, I 7.05-7.10 20-50°, PO, SN/ 7.23m +	P, 5°, PR, RF P, 5°, PR, RF P, 5°, PR, RF Om: JT xx3, CU, Fe, HE P, 10°, PR,			 	- PLT -	
	21	8 8.05	SILTSTONE: orange grey					MW	- 7.95 - 8.05 -	VL	<u> </u>			SN Fe, I 731-739 50°, PR TI/HE 7.43-7.4 50°, PR SM 7.61m: F	RF 9m: JT, , Fe, SM, -4m: JT, , SN Fe, 9, 10°, CU,			- - 8 - -		PL(A)=0.31MPa
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CASING: HWT to 2.5m



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SURFACE LEVEL: 134.8 AHD

**BOREHOLE LOG** 

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BOREHOLE LOG SURFACE LEVEL: 134.8 AHD

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# BOREHOLE LOG

**SURFACE LEVEL:** 134.9 AHD **COORDINATE:** E:312134.5, N:6418503.1 **DATUM/GRID:** MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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PLANT: Hanjin 8D

**OPERATOR:** Total Drilling (D Tranter) **LOGGED:** Chaplin

METHOD: SFA with TC bit to 3.0m, PCD to 15.8m, NMLC to 20.58m CASING: HWT to 2.6m REMARKS:



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	11	18	18.16m-18.27m: fine grained, grey sandstone							Н	•	100	100			1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	8.52m: PR, SM 8.72m: PR, SM	JT, 60°, JT, 60°,			- 18 -	- PLT -	— PL(A)=1.75MPa
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PLANT: Hanjin 8D

**OPERATOR:** Total Drilling (D Tranter) **LOGGED:** Chaplin

METHOD: SFA with TC bit to 3.0m, PCD to 15.8m, NMLC to 20.58m CASING: HWT to 2.6m REMARKS:



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METHOD: SFA with TC bit to 3.0m, PCD to 15.8m, NMLC to 20.58m CASING: HWT to 2.6m REMARKS:



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PROJECT: New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, MusewIlbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 135.6 AHD COORDINATE: E:312074.3, N:6418506.8 PROJECT No: 224764.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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5	0.60	Sandy CLAY: medium plasticity: fine to	×3×									
-	1 -	medium sand. 1.00m: V bit refusal								  	- - -	
	-										SPT	13,13,14 N=27
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	2.70	Borehole discontinued at 2.70m depth. refusal.									ΡP	
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**REMARKS:** 

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SURFACE LEVEL: 132.4 AHD

COORDINATE: E:311938.3, N:6418467.3 PROJECT No: 224764.00 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/---°

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RL (m) <b>DEPTH (m)</b>	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA		RS XW HW SW SW FR	DEPTH (m)	M ⊢ ⊨ ∽∺	RECOVERY (%)	RQD	<pre>% FRACTURE % SPACING % Cm) % </pre>	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
0.05 251	TOPSOIL Silty Sandy CLAY, trace gravel: brown; low plasticity; fine to medium sand; fine gravel.										A	<	- 0.10 -	- - -	
0.60	Sandy CLAY, with gravel: pale brown; low plasticity; fine to medium sand; fine gravel. From 0.80m: pale brown/orange and grey										A		- 0.50 - - -	+ + + +	
طَ ا – ۱	mottling												- 1 - - -	SPT	9,12,19 N=31
 ද ද	From 2.00m: grading into extremely weathered sandstone												- 2 -		
3 -	Silty CLAY (CI), with gravel: grey orange; medium plasticity; fine to medium, sub-angular gravel; gravel is siltstone fragments, borderline silty clay / siltstone.					100	0						- 3 -	- - - PLT -	PL(A) 0.04MPa
3.22 2	SILTSTONE: orange grey		HW		u				322-3 27m: SN Fe, RF 329-336m: SN Fe, RF 343m: P, S°, RF 350-36m: J SN Fe, RF 3.78m: JT, 30 RF	JT, 70°, PR, JT, 50°, PR, PR, SN Fe, JT, 50°, PR, 0°, PR, TI Fe,			- - - - -	PLT- PLT-	
4 -	- - - - - -		SEAM	4.00	SEAM	100	40	SEAM	4.10-417m: SN Fe, RF 4.20-425m CU, SN Fe, F 4.31-455m: Fe, RF	JT, 70°, CU, JT xx2, 30°, RF JT, 40°, ST, SN	1		- 4 -	- PLT -	— PL(A)=0.16MI
· ·	-		SEAM	4.75 -	SEAM VL to			SEAM	4.40-447m SN Fe, RF 4.75-4.80m CN, RF	: JT, 80°, ST, JT, 80°, PR,			 - - -	+ + +	

#### PLANT: Hanjin 8D

**OPERATOR:** Total Drilling (D Tranter) LOGGED: Runge

METHOD: 100mm solid flight auger with TC bit, from 2.5m NMLC c CASINC: HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 



CLIENT: Ausgrid

**PROJECT:** New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation LOCATION: Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook, NSW

**BOREHOLE LOG** SURFACE LEVEL: 132.4 AHD

COORDINATE: E:311938.3, N:6418467.3 PROJECT No: 224764.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 Zone 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID:29 **DATE:** 28/09/23 **SHEET:** 2 of 3

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GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	Soll STRENGTH     Soll STRENGTH     (where encountered)     Soll MOISTURE	GRAPHIC	XW HW MW FR	DEPTH (m)		RECOVERY (%)	RQD	<pre>*** FRACTURE *** SPACING *** (m) *** (m) DEFECTS &amp; REMARKS</pre>	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS	BACKFILL WFI I DIDF
	121		[CONT] SILTSTONE: orange grey	e		HW		VL to U	100	40	518-52 SN Fe, 526-53 SM	4m: JT, 40°, CU, RF 2m: JT, 60°, CU, TI	l,			-		Gravel backfill
		6 -				HW SEAM	- 5.81 - - 5.93 -	SEAM			5.75m. RF SEAM 6.13m: RF	1T, 40°, CU, SN Fe, 1T, 30°, ST, SN Fe,	,			- PLT -	— PL(A)=0.26MF	0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000
	126	- - - -	-					c.			6.65m: 6.66m: 6.66m: 6.66m: FF	JT, 30°, CU, HE Fe, 57m : JT, 60°, ST, RF JT, 50°, ST, SN Fe, JT, 30°, CU, SN Fe,				PLT - PLT		C <sup>0</sup> 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
	• • • •	7 -	- - - - -						100	10	- 6.90m RF 7.10m: 7.10-72 SN Fe, 5N Fe,	JT, 40°, PR, SN Fe, JT, 50°, CU, SN Fe, 3m : JT, 70°, CU, RF 56m: JT, 10° , PR, DF			- 7 - - 7 - 	+		
	125	- - - - - -	- - - - -			н₩		њ ц			7,44m RF 7,60-7/ SN Fe, 7,67-7! PR, SN	55m JT, 50°, PR, SN Fe 55m JT, 50°, PR, 5M X0m : JT, 70-80°, Fe, RF				PLT - PLT	⊤PL(D)=0.21MP √PL(A)=0.15MP	00,00,00,00,000
Md 6	124	8 -	- - - - -					<b>a</b>			8.15m: RF 8.24-8 SN Fe, 8.31-84 Fe, RF, 8.50m: RF RF RF	1T, 30°, CU, SN Fe, 30m: JT, 60°, PR, RF -0m: JT, 60°, CU SN/HE JT, 30°, CU, SN Fe, P, 10°, PR, SN Fe,			- 8 -	PLT - PLT	₹₽L(D)=0.11MP 7PL(A)=0.16MP	000 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00
Geroc - Rock Log - 17/11/2023 1:552		9 -	- - - - - -						100	-	8.88m 	JT, 40°, CU, SN Fe P, 10°, PR, CN, RF 16m : JT, 70°, PR, RF	2,		- 9 - - 9 -	- PLT -	— PL(A)=0.13MP	
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PLANT: Hanjin 8D

**OPERATOR:** Total Drilling (D Tranter) LOGGED: Runge

METHOD: 100mm solid flight auger with TC bit, from 2.5m NMLC crCASING: HWT to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 



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## Appendix B

Laboratory Testing Laboratory Testing – Thermal Resistivity by Geotherm Australia

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Date Issued:       22/10/2023         Client:       Ausgrid         Ausgrid, Sydney NSW 2000         Project Number:       224764.00         Project Name:       New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation         Project Location:       Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook NSW         Work Request:       10681         Sample Number:       NC-10681A         Date Sampled:       06/10/2023         Dates Tested:       07/10/2023 - 19/10/2023
Client:       Ausgrid Ausgrid, Sydney NSW 2000         Project Number:       224764.00         Project Name:       New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation         Project Location:       Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, MusewIlbrook NSW         Work Request:       10681         Sample Number:       NC-10681A         Date Sampled:       06/10/2023         Dates Tested:       07/10/2023 - 19/10/2023
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Dates Tested:         07/10/2023 - 19/10/2023           Sampling Method:         Sampled by Dauglas Partners
Sampling Mothod: Sampled by Douglas Partners
Sampling Method. Sampled by Douglas Partners
The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location: BH3, Depth: 0.5-0.8m
Material: Silty Clay

Atterberg Limit (AS1289 3.1.2 & 3.2.1 & 3.3.1)		Min	Max
Sample History	Oven Dried		
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve		
Liquid Limit (%)	42		
Plastic Limit (%)	14		
Plasticity Index (%)	28		

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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681B
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 18/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH10, Depth: 0.5-0.79m
Material:	Silty Clay

#### Shrink Swell Index (AS 1289 7.1.1 & 2.1.1)

 Iss (%)
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 Visual Description
 Silty Clay

 \* Shrink Swell Index (Iss) reported as the percentage vertical strain per pF change in suction.

Core Shrinkage Test		
Shrinkage Strain - Oven Dried (%)	4.8	
Estimated % by volume of significant inert inclusions	0	
Cracking	Slightly Cracked	
Crumbling	No	
Moisture Content (%)	17.6	
Swell Test		
Initial Pocket Penetrometer (kPa)	>600	
Final Pocket Penetrometer (kPa)	100	
Initial Moisture Content (%)	12.3	
Final Moisture Content (%)	26.6	
Swell (%)		
* NATA Accreditation does not cover the performance of pocket penetrometer readings.		

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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681C
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 19/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH11, Depth: 0.5-0.82m
Material:	Silty Clay

Atterberg Limit (AS1289 3.1.2 & 3.2.1 & 3.3.1)		Min	Max
Sample History	Oven Dried		
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve		
Liquid Limit (%)	53		
Plastic Limit (%)	15		
Plasticity Index (%)	38		

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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681D
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 19/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH22, Depth: 0.5-0.75m
Material:	Silty Clay

Atterberg Limit (AS1289 3.1.2 & 3.2.1 & 3.3.1)		Min	Max
Sample History	Oven Dried		
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve		
Liquid Limit (%)	44		
Plastic Limit (%)	16		
Plasticity Index (%)	28		

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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681E
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 17/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH1, Depth: 0.1-0.6m
Material:	Silty Clay

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.	1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	2.5 mm		
CBR %	1.5		
Method of Compactive Effort Standard			
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5	.1.1 & 2	.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.54		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	22.5		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	100.5		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	99.0		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.49		
Field Moisture Content (%)	17.6		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	22.4		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	33.4		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	25.5		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	48.4		
Swell (%)	4.0		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)	0		

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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681F
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 17/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH4, Depth: 0.1-0.6m
Material:	Silty Clay

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.	1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	2.5 mm		
CBR %	2.5		
Method of Compactive Effort	Standard		
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5	.1.1 & 2	.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.58		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	21.0		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	100.0		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	98.5		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.53		
Field Moisture Content (%)	17.5		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	20.9		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	30.5		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	25.5		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	93.7		
Swell (%)	3.0		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)	0		

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Sample Number:	NC-10681G
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 17/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH5, Depth: 0.0-0.6m
Material:	Silty Clay

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2	.1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	2.5 mm		
CBR %	2.5		
Method of Compactive Effort	Star	dard	
Method used to Determine MDD AS 1289 5.1.1		.1.1 & 2	2.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.54		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	24.0		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	100.0		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	99.0		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.49		
Field Moisture Content (%)	16.3		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	23.8		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	32.5		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	27.3		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	94.8		
Swell (%)	3.0		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded	]	
Oversize Material (%)	0		

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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681H
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 17/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH7, Depth: 0.1-0.6m
Material:	Silty Clay

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.	1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	2.5 mm		
CBR %	2.5		
Method of Compactive Effort	Star	ndard	
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5	.1.1 & 2	2.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.45		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	28.0		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	99.0		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	100.0		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.39		
Field Moisture Content (%)	21.2		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	28.0		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	38.7		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	30.1		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	49.8		
Swell (%)	3.0		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)	0		

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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681I
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 17/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH12, Depth: 0.5-0.9m
Material:	Silty Clay

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.1.1)		Min	Max	
CBR taken at	2.5 mm			
CBR %	3.0			
Method of Compactive Effort	Star	Standard		
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5	AS 1289 5.1.1 & 2.1.1		
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessm	ent	
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.49			
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	26.0			
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	99.5			
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	99.0			
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.47			
Field Moisture Content (%)	19.0			
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	25.8			
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	35.3			
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	26.7			
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5			
Soaking Period (days)	4			
Curing Hours (h)	95.2			
Swell (%)	1.5			
Oversize Material (mm)	19			
Oversize Material Included	Excluded			
Oversize Material (%)	0			

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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681J
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 17/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH13, Depth: 0.5-0.9m
Material:	Silty Clay

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.1.1)		Min	Max
CBR taken at	2.5 mm		
CBR %	1.5		
Method of Compactive Effort	Stan	dard	
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5.1.1 & 2.1.1		2.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.59		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	23.0		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	99.5		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	97.5		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.52		
Field Moisture Content (%)	19.8		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	22.6		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	34.8		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	25.7		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	95.6		
Swell (%)	4.5		
Oversize Material (mm)	191		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)	0		

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	Ausgrid, Sydney NSW 2000
Project Number:	224764.00
Project Name:	New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation
Project Location:	Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook NSW
Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681K
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 17/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH18, Depth: 0.1-0.6m
Material:	Silty Clay

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2	.1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	2.5 mm		
CBR %	3.0		
Method of Compactive Effort	Star	ndard	
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5	.1.1 & 2	2.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessm	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.47		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	26.0		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	101.0		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	99.5		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.45		
Field Moisture Content (%)	19.6		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	25.6		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	34.6		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	27.6		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	48.4		
Swell (%)	2.5		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)	0		

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Project Location:	Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook NSW
Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681L
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 17/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH19, Depth: 0.1-0.6m
Material:	Silty Clay

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.	.1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	2.5 mm		
CBR %	4.0		
Method of Compactive Effort	Star	ndard	
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5.1.1 & 2.1.1		2.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.49		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	25.5		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	101.0		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	99.5		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.48		
Field Moisture Content (%)	19.2		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	25.2		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	32.8		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	28.5		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	49.3		
Swell (%)	1.5		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)	0	]	

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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681M
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 10/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH16, Depth: 2.5-2.8m
Material:	Silty Clay

Emerson Class Number of a Soil (AS 1289 3.8.1)		Min	Max
Emerson Class	2		
Soil Description	Silty Clay		
Nature of Water	Distilled water		
Temperature of Water (°C)	19.3	1	

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Project Name:	New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation
Project Location:	Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook NSW
Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681N
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 10/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH22, Depth: 0.0-0.1m
Material:	Silty Clay

Emerson Class Number of a Soil (AS 1289 3.8.1)		Min	Max
Emerson Class	6		
Soil Description	Silty Clay		
Nature of Water	Distilled		
Temperature of Water (°C)	19.3		



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Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681O
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 10/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH27, Depth: 1.0-1.45m
Material:	Silty Clay

Emerson Class Number of a Soil (AS 1289 3.8.1)		Min	Max
Emerson Class	2		
Soil Description	Silty Clay		
Nature of Water	Distilled		
Temperature of Water (°C)	19.3		



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Sampled by Douglas Partners
The results apply to the sample as received
BH3 , Depth: 1.0-1.45m
Silty Clay

Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)		Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)	12.7		
Atterberg Limit (AS1289 3.1.2 & 3.2	2.1 & 3.3.1)	Min	Max
Sample History	Oven Dried		
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve		
Liquid Limit (%)	72		
Plastic Limit (%)	21		
Plasticity Index (%)	51		

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Project Name:	New Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation
Project Location:	Lot 9 DP1193430 Hebden Road, Musewllbrook NSW
Work Request:	10681
Sample Number:	NC-10681Q
Date Sampled:	06/10/2023
Dates Tested:	07/10/2023 - 12/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Sample Location:	BH21 , Depth: 1.0-1.45m
Material:	Silty Clay

Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)		Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)	13.5		
Atterberg Limit (AS1289 3.1.2 & 3.2	2.1 & 3.3.1)	Min	Max
Sample History	Oven Dried		
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve		
Liquid Limit (%)	51		
Plastic Limit (%)	24		
Plasticity Index (%)	27		

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	Project Details :	Muswellbrook - Lake Liddell
	Order/Request Numb	er :
Report Date : 2/11/2023	Report Number :	213506

#### Sample Details

Sample ID / Name / Number	BH1 - 0.75-1.0m
Soil Description	Light brown clay
Sampled by	Client
Sample Type	Undisturbed
Date Sampled	6/10/2023

#### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
6/10/2023	Probe inserted into floor of hole at 0.9m depth	As found	600	17.8	37.30	1.27	0.79

#### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>0</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
17/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. As found moisture content.	A	17.5%	600	19.1	20.10	1.22	0.82
19/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	А	12.8%	600	20.4	21.70	1.15	0.87
23/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	6.4%	500	19.6	21.60	0.89	1.12
25/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	2.8%	400	19.9	21.80	0.75	1.34
31/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Fully dry	А	0.0%	600	19.7	21.70	0.62	1.61

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	163	73	1165.9	1710

Notes

- \*Thermal resistivity calculation = 1 / Thermal Conductivity.

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- Specimens prepared by BH. Wet specimens tested by BL. Dry and partially dry specimens tested by NA, BH,

- Probe dimensions used for testing - Laboratory samples: Diameter = 3.2mm - Length 120mm. Field tests: Diameter = 6.0mm - Length 250mm

- The above samples will be discarded after 2 weeks.

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	Project Details :	Muswellbrook - Lake Liddell
	Order/Request Numb	er :
Report Date : 2/11/2023	Report Number :	213507

#### Sample Details

Sample ID / Name / Number	BH4 - 0.75-1.1m
Soil Description	Brown silty clay
Sampled by	Client
Sample Type	Undisturbed
Date Sampled	6/10/2023

#### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
6/10/2023	Probe inserted into floor of hole at 0.9m depth	As found	700	18.5	37.40	1.39	0.72

#### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
17/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. As found moisture content.	A	17.3%	600	19.1	20.10	1.30	0.77
19/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	11.3%	400	20.1	21.70	1.09	0.92
20/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	7.7%	400	19.9	20.40	0.94	1.06
23/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	А	3.6%	400	19.8	21.60	0.71	1.40
28/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Fully dry	А	0.0%	600	19.5	20.40	0.54	1.85

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	150	73	1021.4	1630

Notes

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- Probe dimensions used for testing - Laboratory samples: Diameter = 3.2mm - Length 120mm. Field tests: Diameter = 6.0mm - Length 250mm

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	Test Report	
Client : Douglas Partners	Project Number :	2135
	Project Details :	Muswellbrook - Lake Liddell
	Order/Request Numb	er :
Report Date : 2/11/2023	Report Number :	213508

#### Sample Details

Sample ID / Name / Number	BH7 - 0.85-1.0m
Soil Description	Brown silty clay
Sampled by	Client
Sample Type	Undisturbed
Date Sampled	6/10/2023

#### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
6/10/2023	Probe inserted into floor of hole at 0.5m depth	As found	800	17.2	37.60	1.20	0.83

#### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
17/10/2023	Compacted to estimated field density. As found moisture content.	A	15.9%	600	18.9	20.10	0.69	1.45
19/10/2023	Compacted to estimated field density. Partially dry	А	10.3%	600	20.1	21.80	0.56	1.78
23/10/2023	Compacted to estimated field density. Partially dry	А	5.4%	600	19.7	21.60	0.50	2.00
26/10/2023	Compacted to estimated field density. Partially dry	А	1.4%	500	20.0	22.10	0.43	2.33
31/10/2023	Compacted to estimated field density. Fully dry	A	0.0%	600	19.9	21.70	0.39	2.55

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	120	73	685.5	1360

Notes

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- Laboratory test specimen density may not be representative of field density

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	Order/Request Number :						
Report Date : 2/11/2023	Report Number :	213509					

#### Sample Details

Sample ID / Name / Number	BH18 - 0.75-1.1m
Soil Description	Brown silty clay
Sampled by	Client
Sample Type	Undisturbed
Date Sampled	6/10/2023

#### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
6/10/2023	Probe inserted into floor of hole at 0.8m depth	As found	700	17.4	37.30	1.16	0.86

#### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>0</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
17/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. As found moisture content.	A	19.7%	600	18.5	20.10	1.23	0.81
19/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	13.0%	600	19.7	21.80	1.19	0.84
23/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	7.3%	500	18.9	21.60	0.90	1.11
25/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	3.3%	400	19.6	21.80	0.73	1.37
31/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Fully dry	A	0.0%	600	19.0	21.70	0.57	1.76

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	160	73	1113.3	1660

Notes

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	Order/Request Number :						
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#### Sample Details

Sample ID / Name / Number	BH19 - 0.75-1.1m
Soil Description	Brown silty clay
Sampled by	Client
Sample Type	Undisturbed
Date Sampled	6/10/2023

#### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
6/10/2023	Probe inserted into floor of hole at 0.8m depth	As found	700	17.4	37.30	1.16	0.86

#### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>0</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
17/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. As found moisture content.	A	22.4%	600	18.6	20.10	1.25	0.80
19/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	15.4%	600	20.0	21.80	1.10	0.91
23/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	9.6%	500	18.9	21.60	0.89	1.12
25/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	3.6%	400	19.5	21.80	0.73	1.37
31/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Fully dry	А	0.0%	600	19.3	21.70	0.58	1.71

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	160	73	1060.8	1580

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# Appendix C

Drawing 1 - Test Location Plan ZN 228 Stockton – 33/11kV Substation 11 kV Switchgear Replacement Civil & Structural Works Transportable 11 kV Switch Building Support Structure Details – Sheet 1





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# Appendix D

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

At the request of Douglas Partners (DP), GBG Australia (GBGA) has conducted a geophysical investigation to assist in the geotechnical design parameters for the construction of the new Eastern Hub Sub-Transmission Substation at Hebden Road, Muswellbrook. Vertical Share wave and Seismic Profiling (VSP) of two Boreholes were conducted on the conducted-on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October 2023.

The data collected as part of this VSP investigation, is to assist in assessing the current geotechnical design parameters. The information includes determination of seismic compressional (P-) and shear (S-) wave velocities for calculating insitu modulus values at set intervals between the surface and the bottom of the core-holes. This report describes the data collection techniques and presents the results obtained from each core-hole.

#### 1.1 Aim

To supply P- and S-wave velocity values following ASTM Standard D7400.29032-1, for input into geotechnical calculations to create a table of moduli against depth at each core-hole investigated.

### 2 GEOPHYSICAL INVESTIGATION SITE

The investigation area is located on Hebden Road, South-east of Muswellbrook NSW. The site was in a large flat paddock with minimal obstructions.

The two boreholes were prepared as requested by GBG – PVC cased, grouted, and with casings extending above the surface. The areas around the boreholes were clear of obstructions which allowed for easy positioning of the field vehicle and equipment.

The weather conditions during acquisition were quite windy. While wind typically does not have a significant direct effect on VSP data because VSP measurements are made deep within the Earth's subsurface, wind can indirectly affect VSP data in a couple of ways:

**Surface Vibrations**: While the seismic sensors used for VSP are typically placed deep into the ground or boreholes to minimize surface interference, strong winds can still induce surface vibrations that may propagate down to the sensor location. These vibrations can introduce noise into the VSP data, making it more challenging to interpret the subsurface structures accurately.

**Signal-to-Noise Ratio**: VSP data quality is critical for its interpretation. Wind-induced surface vibrations can increase the background noise level in the recorded signals. In some cases, this may affect the signal-to-noise ratio, making it more difficult to identify and interpret subsurface reflectors (first arrivals) accurately.

### 2.1 Location and Positioning

All GNSS data presented in this report is given in MGA2020 zone 56 (GDA2020). The coordinates of the boreholes were measured using an Emlid Reach RS2 multi-band, RTK-enabled GNSS receiver. Table 1 summarises the coordinates of the boreholes.



Figure 1: Sitemap showing location of the two boreholes.

Table 1: Locations of the measured boreholes

Hole ID	Easting (m)	Northing (m)	Elevation (m AHD)	Datum
BH21	312116.779	6418544.064	136.4	MGA2020
BH27A	312133.202	6418502.736	134.9	Zone 56

# **3 DATA ACQUISITION**

Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) is a technique used to evaluate subsurface seismic properties. It involves measuring the travel times of P- and S-waves between a surface source and receivers located at known depths within a borehole. By analysing these distances and times, the average velocity between the source and receiver can be determined. When combined with density information for subsurface materials, this data enables the calculation of dynamic modulus values along the borehole. VSP data is collected using a three-axis multi-component borehole geophone, which is connected to a digital seismograph recording device.

In the context of soft ground boreholes, it is customary to employ a PVC casing with screw threads, typically of HQ size, characterized by 5 mm thick walls and an internal diameter ranging between 65 mm and 85 mm. In scenarios involving hard ground, a protective casing is essential for the upper borehole segment, encompassing soft soils and weathered rock, to avoid borehole collapse. The data can be gathered in boreholes that are either dry or water-filled. This is facilitated by the unit's ability to secure itself to the borehole wall, allowing for the transmission of S-waves, which cannot travel through liquids.

### 3.1 Methodology

The VSP survey was undertaken using a Geometrics Geode digital seismograph, a Geostuff BHGC-1 Geophone Controller, and a BHG-3 Borehole Geophone. The BHG-3 Borehole Geophone is a 3-component borehole 14 Hz geophone with a motor-driven clamp mechanism to hold the geophone in place against the borehole wall. The geophone elements are oriented in the x, y and z planes with a flux-gate compass and servo mechanism which allows for alignment of the horizontal geophones along north-south and east-west respectively.

The investigation process consisted of using a wooden sleeper, laid on the ground a short distance from the borehole and oriented in a north-south direction (S-wave). The two front wheels of the vehicle were driven on top of the plank to ensure good coupling with the ground surface, and to maximise the shear wave energy transferred to the subsurface. A metal plate was placed near to the borehole (P-wave). The distance from the borehole to the centre of the wooden plank and borehole to the metal plate were recorded for distance and geometry calculations that were to be performed during processing.

The BHG-3 tool was lowered down the hole by the seismic cable using reference marks on the cable to monitor the depth of the sensor. When the bottom of the hole was reached, the tool was raised to the nearest metre, clamped against the borehole wall and the geophones were oriented north south. A sledgehammer with a piezo-electric trigger was used as the seismic source for both P- and S- Wave measurements. To produce the seismic P-wave data component, several impacts of a sledgehammer on the metal plate are shot and stacked, to enhance the signal to noise ratio.

To generate the seismic S-wave data component, multiple impacts of the sledgehammer on each side of the weighted wooden plank generating positive and negative energy, are conducted and the recorded. A typical field set up is shown below.





Figure 2: A typical VSP field equipment set up

Each seismic data record was collected with a record length of 0.512 s and a  $31.25 \mu \text{s}$  sample interval. Readings were taken every 1 m until the last reading when the tool was 1 m below the ground surface or until coupling was no adequate to supply a seismic signal. Detailed acquisition parameters are summarised in table 2.

Parameter	BH-21	BH-27A
Max Depth	18.6m	18.75m
Record Length	0.512 s	0.512 s
Sample Interval	31.25 µs	31.25 µs
Depth Interval	1m	1m

These depths achieved do not agree with the termination depths of the supplied borehole logs. GBGA is unsure where this discrepancy has arisen. The borehole tool has distance markers on the cable. It's obvious when the probe has reached the bottom as it can be felt through the cable.

### 4 GEOPHYSICAL DATA QUALITY AND PROCESSING

#### 4.1 Data Quality

The data quality was of deemed satisfactory across the two boreholes. The two main influences affecting the data were the wind and nearby train movement. To minimise interference from the trains, the timing of shots was planned in between passing trains to avoid



any disturbance. There was some influence from wind gusts which were primarily associated with shallower depths.

#### 4.2 Processing

Data was initially sorted to separate the P-wave recordings and the S-wave recordings before being processed in ReflexW v9.5 (KJ Sandmeier, 2020). Three channels of data were displayed for each shot. The first channel is the geophone oriented vertically, while channels 2 and 3 were oriented horizontally. Records from each P-wave shot for each hole were concatenated and the relevant channels (channel 1) containing the P-wave extracted. P-wave analysis involved simply picking the first arrival times ('break points') at each depth interval.



**Figure 3:** Example VSP data from the vertical geophone which was utilised to pick P-wave arrivals. This example shows shots taken from the top-down, then from the bottom-up.

As mentioned in Section 3.1, for a given depth interval, the 2<sub>nd</sub> and 3<sub>rd</sub> recordings correspond to the two opposing-polarity S-wave shots. Data from these records was overlaid to identify the time at which the S-wave signal shows as equal amplitude and opposite polarity on the data traces. The S-wave arrival time can then be picked. Average s-wave velocities are calculated using the determined arrival times and the corrected straight-line distance from the source to receiver.





Figure 4: Example of the S-Wave channels of a single shot being overlain on one another (note that channel on shows data recorded by the vertical geophone).

P-wave and S-wave velocities were calculated from the picked P-wave and S-wave arrival times relevant to the known source-receiver distance. The velocities were utilised along with supplied material density to calculate Shear Modulus, Young's Modulus and Poisson's ratio.

Density estimates were provided by Douglas Partners Pty Ltd, and are based on their experience on previous projects in similar geology.

#### 4.3 Determination of Engineering Parameters

The relationship between the P- and S-wave velocities with the elastic moduli and density are calculated using the equations below:

Bulk Modulus (k):	$k = \rho(V_p^2 - \frac{3}{4}V_s^2)$
Shear Modulus (G):	$G = \rho V_s^2$
Young's Modulus (E):	$\epsilon = \rho V_s^2 \frac{3V_p^2 - 4V_s^2}{V_p^2 - V_s^2}$
Poisson's Ratio (v):	$\nu = \frac{V_p^2 - 2V_s^2}{2(V_p^2 - V_s^2)}$

Where, Vs = S-Wave velocity (m/s), Vp = P-Wave velocity (m/s),  $\rho$  = material density.

(McDowekk, P.W. 1992. The determination of the dynamic elastic moduli of rock masses by geophysical methods. Pg. 166-167. Butterworth-Heinemann Ltd. Linacre House, Jordan Hill, Oxford.)

(Ogawa, T. 2016. Acoustic wave velocity measurements on Piezoelectric single crystals; In, Piezoelectric Materials, Chapter 3. DOI:10.5772/62711.)

# 5 RESULTS AND INTERPRETATION

The results of the geophysical investigation carried out Douglas Partners, have been provided in the following drawings attached in Appendix A of this report:

- GBGA2673\_01 SITE MAP
- GBGA2673\_02 VSP BH-21 Average Seismic Velocity Profiles
- GBGA2673\_03 VSP BH-27A Average Seismic Velocity Profiles
- GBGA2673\_04 VSP BH-21 Interval Seismic Velocity Profiles
- GBGA2673\_05 VSP BH-27A Interval Seismic Velocity Profiles

The VSP survey results are presented graphically and in tabular format within each drawing. The average seismic velocities gradually increase with depth. Simplified borehole logs have been overlaid on the graph with descriptions of each layer added. The results are of a standard quality to complete additional moduli calculations. GBG provides tabulated results of P and S-Wave velocities in addition to Shear Modulus, Youngs Modulus and Poisson's ratio. The density values have been approximately only.

# 6 CONCLUSIONS

At the request of Douglas Partners, GBG completed a VSP geophysical survey of two boreholes near Muswellbrook NSW. The fieldwork was conducted on the 12th of October 20233.

The quality of data recorded during the investigation was generally observed to be suitable for interpretation.

The ratio of the P to S wave values is within the expected range. In addition, the gradual average increase in velocity is considered normal in relation to the geology and the observed material composition within the boreholes.

The techniques used during the investigation are of a geophysical nature and as such the processing, interpretation and results are based on indirect measurements of seismic wave signals. The findings in this report represent the best professional opinions of the authors, based on experience gained during previous similar investigations and with correlation to known and assumed subsurface ground conditions at the site.

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Appendix A - Drawings

# **MUSWELLBROOK VSP - GEOPHYSICAL INVESTIGATION**





#### **BH-21 AVERAGE SEISMIC VELOCITY PROFILES**

Average Dynamic Modulus										
True Depth (m)	P-wave Velocity Average (m/s)	S-wave Velocity Average (m/s)	Density	Vp/Vs	Shear Modulus	Bulk Modulus	Youngs Modulus	Poissons Ratio		
0.60	245.93	192.60	1600.00	1.28	59.35	17.64	83.92	-0.29		
1.60	382.38	215.22	1600.00	1.78	74.11	135.13	187.97	0.27		
2.60	523.69	203.15	1600.00	2.58	66.03	350.76	186.40	0.41		
3.60	657.02	222.75	2200.00	2.95	109.16	804.13	313.30	0.44		
4.60	784.34	261.14	2200.00	3.00	150.03	1153.40	431.38	0.44		
5.60	844.42	296.55	2200.00	2.85	193.48	1310.74	553.21	0.43		
6.60	939.64	322.71	2200.00	2.91	229.11	1636.97	656.69	0.43		
7.60	1016.44	359.50	2200.00	2.83	284.34	1893.80	812.35	0.43		
8.60	1071.00	399.61	2200.00	2.68	351.32	2055.06	997.13	0.42		
9.60	1139.69	402.26	2200.00	2.83	355.99	2382.89	1017.31	0.43		
10.60	1226.77	431.08	2200.00	2.85	408.82	2765.85	1168.88	0.43		
11.60	1255.47	464.11	2200.00	2.71	473.87	2835.82	1346.60	0.42		
12.60	1322.99	476.61	2200.00	2.78	499.75	3184.35	1424.72	0.43		
13.60	1332.20	489.46	2200.00	2.72	527.05	3201.75	1498.90	0.42		
14.60	1380.11	518.33	2200.00	2.66	591.06	3402.25	1676.13	0.42		
15.60	1418.05	541.54	2200.00	2.62	645.18	3563.65	1825.37	0.41		
16.60	1433.50	553.09	2200.00	2.59	672.99	3623.50	1901.28	0.41		
17.60	1457.64	564.23	2200.00	2.58	700.38	3740.56	1977.70	0.41		
18.60	1512.84	568.34	2200.00	2.66	710.61	4087.64	2015.06	0.42		

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S-Wave Velocity

P-Wave Velocity

**Borehole Locations** 

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### <u>BH-27A</u>

Average Dynamic Modulus									
True Depth (m)	P-wave Velocity Average (m/s)	S-wave Velocity Average (m/s)	Density	Vp/Vs	Shear Modulus	Bulk Modulus	Youngs Modulus	Poissons Ratio	
0.75	270.00	202.53	1600.00	1.33	65.63	29.13	112.44	-0.14	
1.75	400.15	240.25	1600.00	1.67	92.35	133.05	225.00	0.22	
2.75	540.35	273.92	1600.00	1.97	120.05	307.10	318.63	0.33	
3.75	659.94	288.64	1600.00	2.29	133.30	519.09	368.38	0.38	
4.75	757.90	335.09	2200.00	2.26	247.03	934.34	681.06	0.38	
5.75	864.14	345.76	2200.00	2.50	263.01	1292.14	738.89	0.40	
6.75	930.18	344.14	2200.00	2.70	260.54	1556.12	740.31	0.42	
7.75	1024.57	339.70	2200.00	3.02	253.87	1970.94	734.16	0.44	
8.75	1076.68	366.37	2200.00	2.94	295.30	2156.59	847.23	0.43	
9.75	1137.52	382.88	2200.00	2.97	322.51	2416.69	926.32	0.44	
10.75	1188.79	402.12	2200.00	2.96	355.75	2634.78	1021.28	0.44	
11.75	1227.67	417.58	2200.00	2.94	383.62	2804.27	1100.67	0.43	
12.75	1288.49	438.36	2200.00	2.94	422.75	3088.79	1212.92	0.43	
13.75	1330.45	462.16	2200.00	2.88	469.90	3267.66	1345.21	0.43	
14.75	1358.07	476.43	2200.00	2.85	499.36	3391.75	1428.00	0.43	
15.75	1390.27	478.14	2200.00	2.91	502.95	3581.67	1441.39	0.43	
16.75	1398.32	481.70	2200.00	2.90	510.47	3621.02	1462.67	0.43	
17.75	1447.41	484.89	2200.00	2.99	517.26	3919.33	1486.38	0.44	
18.75	1472.05	486.67	2200.00	3.02	521.07	4072.45	1499.28	0.44	



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# <u>BH-21</u>

BH-21 Interval Dynamic Modulus									
True Depth (m)	P-wave Velocity (m/s)	S-wave Velocity (m/s)	Density	Vp/Vs	Shear Modulus	Bulk Modulus	Youngs Modulus	Poissons Ratio	
0.60			1600.00						
	3743.87	376.45		9.95	226.75	22124.22	677.92	0.49	
1.60			1600.00						
	2335.05	172.58		13.53	47.65	8660.38	142.70	0.50	
2.60			1600.00						
	2587.07	343.45		7.53	259.51	14378.48	773.88	0.49	
3.60			2200.00						
	3083.34	1067.08		2.89	2505.05	17575.33	7174.30	0.43	
4.60			2200.00						
	1335.06	1018.30		1.31	2281.26	879.55	3670.46	-0.20	
5.60			2200.00						
	2685.35	701.53		3.83	1082.72	14420.80	3168.87	0.46	
6.60			2200.00						
	2263.55	1831.39		1.24	7378.80	1433.61	8151.38	-0.45	
7.60			2200.00						
	1829.61	3688.35		0.50	29928.67	-32540.49	129482.67	1.16	
8.60			2200.00						
	2582.14	427.64		6.04	402.33	14131.90	1195.64	0.49	
9.60			2200.00						
	4739.29	1487.69		3.19	4869.06	42921.79	14074.97	0.45	
10.60			2200.00						
	1674.09	2796.70		0.60	17207.35	-16777.48	78437.95	1.28	
11.60			2200.00						
	3559.72	700.57		5.08	1079.76	26437.82	3195.79	0.48	
12.60			2200.00						
	1461.13	748.45		1.95	1232.38	3053.59	3258.74	0.32	
13.60			2200.00						
	2714.60	2810.17		0.97	17373.50	-6952.73	311976.12	7.98	
14.60			2200.00						
	2376.04	1607.43		1.48	5684.42	4841.04	12256.15	0.08	
15.60			2200.00						
	1728.48	834.17		2.07	1530.85	4531.70	4127.76	0.35	
16.60			2200.00						
	2026.17	852.43		2.38	1598.59	6900.33	4451.98	0.39	
17.60			2200.00						
	4564.46	652.79		6.99	937.50	44585.49	2792.93	0.49	
18.60			2200.00				_		

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# <u>BH-27A</u>

BH-27A Interval Dynamic Modulus								
True Depth (m)	P-wave Velocity (m/s)	S-wave Velocity (m/s)	Density	Vp/Vs	Shear Modulus	Bulk Modulus	Youngs Modulus	Poissons Ratio
0.75			1600.00					
	1879.21	661.87		2.84	700.92	4715.71	2003.50	0.43
1.75			1600.00					
	2407.19	496.89		4.84	395.04	8744.62	1167.55	0.48
2.75			1600.00					
	2050.91	361.35		5.68	208.91	6451.39	620.05	0.48
3.75			1600.00					
	1857.79	1217.53		1.53	3261.26	3244.69	7328.47	0.12
4.75			2200.00					
	2812.77	416.90		6.75	382.37	16895.91	1138.51	0.49
5.75			2200.00					
	1696.56	334.31		5.07	245.88	6004.43	727.69	0.48
6.75			2200.00					
	3404.16	309.83		10.99	211.19	25212.76	631.79	0.50
7.75			2200.00					
	1795.51	1025.47		1.75	2313.51	4007.83	5820.57	0.26
8.75			2200.00					
	2277.72	648.66		3.51	925.66	10179.40	2695.28	0.46
9.75			2200.00					
	2137.67	813.53		2.63	1456.04	8111.78	4121.52	0.42
10.75			2200.00					
	1901.67	724.95		2.62	1156.23	6414.37	3272.07	0.41
11.75			2200.00					
	3113.76	1089.52		2.86	2611.53	17848.01	7470.24	0.43
12.75			2200.00					
	2284.52	1567.41		1.46	5404.92	4275.29	11407.54	0.06
13.75			2200.00					
	1904.50	837.89		2.27	1544.55	5920.28	4262.93	0.38
14.75			2200.00					
	2143.23	505.28		4.24	561.67	9356.68	1651.97	0.47
15.75			2200.00					
	1539.21	546.56		2.82	657.19	4335.88	1876.75	0.43
16.75			2200.00					
	3531.25	546.17		6.47	656.27	26558.34	1952.71	0.49
17.75			2200.00					
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18.75			2200.00					

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Interpreted Downhole P and S Wave Logs







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## Report on Geotechnical Investigation Proposed Muswellbrook Substation 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook

## 1. Introduction

This report presents the results of a geotechnical investigation undertaken for a proposed new substation adjacent to the existing Muswellbrook substation at 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook. The investigation was commissioned in an email dated 8 September 2023 by Paul Hurst / Sulev Kalamae of Ausgrid and was undertaken in accordance with Douglas Partners Pty Ltd proposal 224763.00 dated 22 August 2023.

It is understood that the proposed development of the site includes a new 132 kV Sub-Transmission Substation. The proposed development is outlined in Section 2 of this report.

The purpose of the investigation was to provide information and comments on the following:

- A summary of investigation methods;
- Borehole logs and core photos (if required) as well as test location plan;
- Test Pit / Costean (Trench) Pit logs;
- Summarised subsurface conditions, noting rock and groundwater depths, if encountered;
- Soil aggressivity of buried structural elements with reference to AS 2159 (2009);
- Soil erosion and dispersion characteristics, as well as methods to deal with problem soils and suitable construction methods;
- Excavation conditions (to the depth of investigation);
- Safe batter slopes and temporary support for excavations;
- Geotechnical suitability of excavated material for re-use as filling;
- Site classification with reference to AS 2870 (2011) and characteristic surface movement (y<sub>s</sub>);
- Shallow (pads / strips) and reinforced slab foundation options if suitable, including founding depths and design parameters (e.g. allowable bearing pressures);
- Bored pile founding depths and end bearing capacity design parameters;
- Retaining wall design parameters (Bulk density, Ka, Ko and Kp values);
- Design subgrade California Bearing ratio (CBR);
- Flexible and rigid pavement thickness design in accordance with relevant Austroads guidelines for the proposed transformer driveway;
- Earthworks preparation measures (fill layer thickness and compaction requirements); and
- Identification of the location of underground mines, and mine subsidence restrictions imposed by Subsidence Advisory NSW (SA NSW), if present.



The investigation included the drilling of 17 boreholes, the excavation of two costeans which comprised logging of up to 18 test pits within the costeans, and laboratory testing of selected samples. The details of the field work are presented in this report, together with comments and recommendations on the items listed above.

DP has undertaken a preliminary contamination and waste classification assessment (DP 2023) in conjunction with the geotechnical report, which is reported separately to this report. DP (2023) indicates the presence of contamination within the filling, and should be read in-conjunction with this report. The results of the test pits logs within the costeans are presented in this report for information purposes.

## 2. Site Description

The site located at 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook. The overall lot contains grassed paddocks and an existing Ausgrid substation.

This proposed development site as defined by DP is termed 'the site' for the purpose of this report and is shown in Test Location Plan, Drawing 1, within Appendix C. Site identification details are outlined in Table 1 below.

Item	Details
Allotment Identification	Part Lot 12 Deposited Plan 839233
Street Address	20 Sandy Creek Road
Locality	Muswellbrook
Site Area	3.8 ha
Local Government Area	Muswellbrook Shire Council
Current Land Use	Existing Substation

#### Table 1: Site Identification

The site is located to the south of the existing substation. The northern part the site was formerly occupied by Muswellbrook Power Station which is understood to have been demolished in the mid to late 1990s. The northern part of the site, in the area where the former Power Station was located, appears to be filled. It appears the Power Station area was terraced to allow construction of the Power Station, then backfilled to 'cap' demolish waste associated with the removal of the Power Station. The southern part of the site surface appears to have been disturbed and is likely to have had topsoil and near surface soils stripped.

The site typically slopes from the south (RL 196 AHD) to the north (RL 176 AHD) with localised disturbance in the northern part of the site.

Observed surface features include earth mounded drainage bunds, disturbed areas in the northern part of the site, and localised fibro materials, as presented on Drawing 1, which is attached within Appendix C. Site vegetation comprised sparse semi-mature trees and limited grass cover.



## 3. Published Data

NSW Hunter Coalfield Regional geology 1:100,000 plan indicates that the site is underlain by the Branxton Formation, which is part of the Permian aged Maitland Group, comprising, conglomerate, sandstone and siltstone.

Reference to published mapping indicates that the site outside mapped acid sulfate soil (ASS) areas.

The site is located within a proclaimed mine subsidence district.

## 4. **Proposed Development**

Based on conversations with Ausgrid it is understood that the proposed new works are to be located to the south of, and outside of, the existing substation. The proposed development is further understood to comprise:

- An outdoor switch yard;
- Prefabricated single storey metal clad and steel framed building;
- Mobile Equipment Room or 'MER' to be installed on top of foundations;
- Associated electrical infrastructure works may include either a new or a modified concrete slab, some steelwork, framed cable support structures and a number of in-ground conduit banks and possibly concrete cable jointing pits;
- Retaining walls up to 2 m in height;
- Buried pipes and electrical services;
- Hardstand pavement across switch yard;
- Associated exit/entry pavement.

The client provided a typical design drawing of a substation switchgear replacement, which is proposed at the site, and which is titled "ZN 228 Stockton – 33/11kV Substation 11 kV Switchgear Replacement Civil & Structural Works Transportable 11 kV Switch Building Support Structure Details – Sheet 1", and the drawing has been attached for information within Appendix C.

No structural loads were provided to DP at the time of this report.

The preferred location for the development within the site is understood to be in the northern part of the site adjacent to the existing substation. It is noted, however, that the southern part of the site is also a possible location for the development. Both parts of the site are understood to be under consideration.



## 5. Field Work

#### 5.1 Field Work Methods

Field work for the investigation was undertaken in the period of the 18 to 25 September 2023 and comprised the following:

- A site walkover by geotechnical engineer to set out test locations in areas accessible and free from buried services. The test locations were nominated by the client and DP;
- Excavation of Costean 101 and Costean 102, which were excavated using a 20 tonne excavator fitted with a 450 mm wide bucket. The Costeans were excavated up to 2 m depth for the purpose of assessing contamination in the filling and were aligned as follows:
  - o Costean 101 was excavated in the north-south alignment and was approximately 50 m in length. Pits 101-1 to 101-6 were recorded within Costean 1; and
  - o Costean 102 was excavated in the east-west alignment and was approximately 100 m in length. Pits 102-1 to 102-12 within Costean 2.
- Drilling of 17 bores (Bores 1 to 17) using a purpose built geotechnical drilling rig. The bores were drilled to depths ranging from 1.12 m to 10 m depth, using solid flight auger, rotary and NMLC coring methods;
- Installation of two piezometers (Bores 4 and 6) up to 10 m depth for the purpose of enabling groundwater level measurement;
  - o Screens were installed at depths from 1.6 m to 4.6 m and 7 m to 10 m, in Bores 4 and 6 respectively;
  - o The piezometers were purged after installation and groundwater readings conducted on 27 September 2023.
- Thermal resistivity in-situ testing and laboratory testing was undertaken at selected depths and test locations. Further methods on field testing and laboratory testing is outlined in Section 7.11 of this report;
- The test locations were set out by a geotechnical engineer from DP who also logged the subsurface profile at each test location and collected samples for identification and laboratory testing purposes. In-situ testing in the soil profile comprised pocket penetrometer testing at selected locations;
- The test locations were recorded using a differential GPS and are considered accurate to ±0.10 m, depending on satellite coverage, and the results are documented on the Test Pit and Borehole Logs attached. The location of the tests are shown on Drawing 1 in Appendix C.

## 5.2 Field Work Results

The subsurface conditions encountered at the test locations are presented in detail in the Test Pit logs and Borehole logs included in Appendix A. These should be read in conjunction with the general notes preceding them, which explain the descriptive terms and classification methods used in the reports.

The subsurface conditions encountered within the test locations have been categorised into broad geotechnical units according to their inferred geological origin, as follows:

- Unit 1 Fill; The fill generally comprised gravelly sand/sandy gravel/sandy clay fill with various inclusions such as concrete and brick and brick fragments, metal bars, concrete reinforcement, wire, tiles, ceramic, concrete pipes, timber, metal plates, metal sheeting, steel beams, rubber, rubber hoses (with possible asbestos containing material inserts), cables, and fibre cement sheeting fragments (possible asbestos containing material);
- Unit 1A Fill/Old Footings: Old concrete footings and possible slab foundations were encountered at the base of filling. The dimensions and full extent of footings are unknown;
- Unit 2 Topsoil (organics and silts):
- Unit 3: Residual soils;
  - o Unit 3A (Silty Clay or Sandy Clay): Typically very stiff to hard in consistency;
  - o Unit 3B (Sand): Typically dense sand, likely originated from extremely weathered sandstone;
- Unit 4 Rock: Sandstone and Siltstone:
  - o Unit 4A Extremely weathered material (soil like properties);
  - o Unit 4B Very low strength;
  - o Unit 4C Low and Medium strength;
  - o Unit 4D High and Very High strength.

The predominant subsurface conditions encountered within the bores are summarised in Table 2 below, and the results of the pits are also summarised below:



#### Table 2 - Summary of Boreholes

Borehole	•	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
RL (AHD)	)	175.8	174.5	175	176.5	178.7	179.6	178	179.5	183	183.7	183.7	183.3	185.1	188.2	188.5	183	181.7
Material Description	Unit		-	-	-	-	-	-	De	pth Range (	m)		-	-	-			
Fill	1	NE	NE	0.0 - 1.10	NE	NE	NE	0.0 - 3.2	0.0 - 0.5	NE	NE	NE	0.0-0.55	NE	NE	NE	0.0 - 1.1	0.0 - 1.0
Fill/Old Footings	1 <b>A</b>	NE	NE	1.10 - 1.12	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Topsoil (organics and silt)	2	0.0 - 0.03	0.0 - 0.03	NE	0.0 - 0.03	0.0 - 0.03	0.0 - 0.03	NE	NE	0.0 - 0.03	0.0 - 0.03	0.0 - 0.03	NE	0.0 - 0.03	0.0 - 0.03	0.0 - 0.03	NE	NE
Sandy Clay – Typically VST to H	3 <b>A</b>	0.03 - 3.45	0.03 - 2.05	NE	0.03 - 4.66	0.03 - 2.05	0.03 - 3.8	NE	0.5 - 3.45	0.03 - 2.3	0.03 - 1.85	0.03 - 2.16	0.55 - 3.9	0.03 - 3.5	0.03 - 2.66	0.03 - 1.0	1.1 - 2.78	1.0 - 2.64
Clayey Sand / Sand with Clay (Typically D to VD)	3B	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE
Sandstone (Pebbly) (Extremely Weathered Material)	4A	NE	2.05 - 2.12	NE	NE	NE	3.8 - 4.02	3.2 - 3.45	3.45 - 3.5	2.3 - 2.4	1.85-3.42 <sup>c</sup>	NE	NE	3.5 - 4.3	NE	1.0 - 2.57	NE	NE
Sandstone (Pebbly) (Typically VLS to LS)	4B	7.0 - 7.74	NE	NE	NE	2.05 - 2.72	4.02 - 4.33	3.45 - 4.01	NE	NE	3.42 - 4.8 <sup>a</sup>	2.16 - 4.32	3.9 - 4.22	4.30 - 6.92 <sup>a</sup>	2.66 - 3.15 <sup>a</sup>	2.57 - 5.25 <sup>a</sup>	NE	NE
Sandstone (Pebbly) (Typically LS to MS)	4C	3.45 - 7.0 7.74 - 8.25	2.12 - 8.55 <sup>a</sup>	NE	8.29 -10.0	NE	4.33 - 10.0 <sup>a</sup>	NE	NE	NE	4.8 - 10.0	4.32 - 6.35 <sup>d</sup>	NE	6.92 - 10.0	3.15 - 10.0 <sup>d</sup>	5.25 - 10.0	NE	NE
Sandstone (Pebbly) (Typically HS to VHS)	4D	8.25 - 10.0	8.55 - 10.0	NE	4.66 - 8.29 <sup>b</sup>	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	6.35 - 10.0	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE

Notes to Table:

NE – Not encountered

NFGWO – No free groundwater observed

a – with some weak zones; b – with some core loss and low strength seams;

c - with some very Low strength seams;

d - with some high strength seams



The costeans recorded the following general sub-surface profile:

Fill (Unit 1 / 1A)	Generally comprising gravelly sand/sandy gravel/sandy clay fill with various inclusions such as concrete and brick and brick fragments, concrete footings / slabs, metal bars, concrete reinforcement, wire, tiles, ceramic, concrete pipes, timber, metal plates, metal sheeting, steel beams, rubber, rubber hoses (with possible asbestos containing material inserts), cables, concrete slabs and fibre cement sheeting fragments (possible asbestos containing material). Fill was encountered along the entire length of Costeans. Costean 101 encountered filling from GL (0.0 m) to depths ranging from 0.9 m to 2.0 m, noting Pit 101-1 was terminated in fill at 2.0 m depth. Footings / concrete (Unit 1A) were encountered in Pits 101-11 (1.3 m), 101-2 (1.3 m), and 101-3 (1.2 m). Costean 102 encountered fill from GL (0.0 m) to depths ranging from 0.85 m to 1.9 m. Footings / concrete were encountered in Pits 102-7 (1.0 m), 102-9 (1.0 m) and 102-11 (0.9 m).
Sandy Clay/Clayey Sand (Unit 3):	Encountered at various locations along each costean from depths of 0.8 m / 1.9 m to depths of 1.2 m to 2.2 m, and below Unit 1/1A.
Sandstone (Unit 4):	Encountered at various locations within Costean 102 (102-1, 102-2, 102-3, 102-8, 102-10 and 102-12) at depths of 1.2 m to 2.1 m below ground level to termination.

#### 5.3 Groundwater

No free groundwater was observed during the period the pits remained opened. Similarly, no free groundwater was observed during the auger drilling of the bores. Both piezometers did not contain groundwater upon initial groundwater measurement on 27 September 2023.

It should be noted that groundwater levels are affected by factors such as climatic conditions and soil permeability and will therefore vary with time.

## 6. Laboratory Testing

#### 6.1 Geotechnical Laboratory Testing

The detailed geotechnical laboratory testing results are attached within Appendix B, and a summary of tests undertaken are summarised below.



Bore	Depth (m)	Description	FMC (%)	(%) TT	PL (%)	PI (%)	Shrink (%)	Swell (%)	lss (% per ∆pF)	PP before soaking (kPa)	PP after soaking (kPa)
1	0.5 - 0.85	Sandy Clay	11.4	-	-	-	1.2	4.7	2.0	>600	310
5	0.5 - 0.86	Sandy Clay	16.9	-	-	-	2.5	6.9	3.3	>600	230
14	0.5 - 0.81	Sandy Clay	-	46	21	25	-	-	-	-	-
16	1.5 - 1.73	Sandy Clay	10.9	-	-	-	0.9	5.3	2.0	>600	340

#### **Table 3: Shrink Swell and Atterberg Limits**

Notes to table:

FMC - Field Moisture Content

LL – Liquid Limit

PL - Plastic Limit

I<sub>ss</sub> – Shrink Swell Index PP – Pocket Penetrometer Reading

#### Table 4: Moisture Content Determination and California Bearing Ratio

Bore	Depth (m)	Description	FMC (%)	MDD (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	OMC (%)	CBR (%)	Swell (%)
1	0.0 - 0.5	Sandy CLAY	13.3	1.63	19.5	4.0	1.5
5	0.0 - 0.5	Sandy CLAY	10.2	1.83	14.5	6	1.5
8	0.0 - 0.5	FILL: Clayey SILT with Sand and Gravel	9.0	1.81	13.5	6	0.5
9	0.0 - 0.5	Sandy CLAY	8.3	1.77	15.0	7	0.0
12	0.55 - 1.05	Sandy CLAY	7.8	1.85	13.5	8	0.0

Notes to table: FMC – Field Moisture Content MDD – Maximum Dry Density

OMC – Optimum Moisture Content

CBR – California Bearing Ratio



Bore	Depth (m)	Description	Emerson Class
2	1.0 - 1.45	Sandy Clay	4*
5	1.1 - 1.55	Sandy Clay	4*
8	1.24 - 1.69	Sandy Clay	2
9	1.21 - 1.66	Sandy Clay	4*
14	1.0 - 1.45	Sandy Clay	4*

#### Table 5: Emerson Class Testing

Notes to table:

Emmerson Class No. (AS 1289.3.2.1)

\* Carbonate Present

## 6.2 Geo-chemical Laboratory Testing

Five samples were submitted to Envirolab Services Pty Ltd for analysis of pH, electrical conductivity (EC), soluble sulphate (SO<sub>4</sub>) and soluble chloride (CI), to assess soil aggressiveness. Detailed laboratory report sheets are provided in Appendix B, along with other chemical tests which have been reported within, and are summarised in Table 6 within Section 7.6.

## 6.3 Thermal Resistivity Testing

Thermal resistivity laboratory testing was performed on undisturbed samples (U70 tube samples) in accordance with ASTM D5534, and was undertaken on selected samples from the test locations (i.e. Bore 1, 5, 8, 9 and 12). The results were plotted in the form of a dry-out curve to determine the relationship between moisture content and thermal resistivity.

The field testing was undertaken by Geotherm Australia and comprised using a probe in accordance with ASTM D5334, within shallow test pits excavated over Bores 1, 5, 8, 9 and 12, and the field testing was undertaken at similar depths to the above mentioned laboratory test sample.

The results of the field and laboratory testing with dry out curve interpretations are contained within Appendix B.

## 7. Comments

#### 7.1 Appreciation of Subsurface Conditions

The pertinent characteristics of the subsurface conditions are further summarised as follows:

• Unit 1 fill up to 3.2 m in thickness in the northern part of the site. The Unit 1 fill is considered to be uncontrolled, and contain deleterious materials;



- It should be noted that the Unit 1A fill contamination, including asbestos containing materials, asbestos fines in soil, and PFAS, has been identified visually and via laboratory testing within fill. It is noted that management will be required for the contaminated materials, including site-specific Work Health Management Plans and procedures to be implemented during construction for identified impact or potentially impacted areas;
- The Unit 1A old footings were present at the base of the fill at some locations. The footings were generally encountered at depths of 1.0 m to 1.3 m depth although the existing footing depth and extent is unknown at this stage;
- Unit 2: Topsoil up to 30 mm thickness in some bores;
- Unit 3: Residual sand and clay soils. Typically very stiff to hard clay or dense sand (extremely weathered rock) below fill / topsoil;
- Unit 4: Rock was encountered from depths ranging from 0.9 m to 3.0 m depth and continuing to 10.0 m depth in cored bores, and the rock was initially extremely weathered, and grades from very low strength through to very high strength.

The Unit 1 fill within the northern area of the site comprised various deleterious materials and Unit 1A old footings at the base of the fill, and this fill is associated with the former Power Station. The Unit 1 fill ranged from 0.9 m to 3.2 m in depth. The Unit 1 fill is considered to be non-engineered / uncontrolled filling and not suitable to support structural loads due to the high risk of differential settlements. Based on the available information it is not recommended footings within fill has not been considered further in this report. If the client accepts the risk of differential settlement, which would increase the risk of tilting and cracking of structures / fill platforms and pavements, movement of buried service pipes, and increased maintenance, lightly loaded footings may be considered as a design option however further specific assessment and design would be required to evaluate such options.

Given the conditions encountered, and depending on the proposed cut / fill depths, the suggested options for construction are as follows:

- Option A Construct Platform for Substation in northern part of the site:
  - o Remove Unit 1 and Unit 1A fill and replace with engineered filling;
    - The disturbance and re-use of the existing Unit 1 fill would trigger specific Work Health & Safety (WHS) Plans for working with contaminated soils;
    - An alternative to re-using the existing fill, import filling or use of other site won fill such as Unit 3 clay and Unit 4 rock could be considered;
    - The existing fill is not considered suitable for re-used, without careful separation during excavation, and it would need to be stored on-site, or exported off site in accordance with EPA requirements.
  - o Support footings within engineered filling for lightly loaded structures with heavily loaded footings founding within Unit 4 rock using piles.





- Option B Construct Platform for Substation in southern part of the site:
  - o Cut and fill to terrace an area for construction. Bulk excavation into Unit 3 soils and Unit 4 rock, and reuse site won Unit 3 and Unit 4 as engineered filling;
  - o Found footings within Unit 3 and Unit 4 and or engineered filling and heavily loaded footings to be founded within Unit 4 rock using piles.

The Unit 3 very stiff to hard residual clay, where encountered, is suitable to support lightly loaded shallow footings, and heavily loaded structural loads should be supported on piles founded within rock (Unit 4).

The Unit 3 silty clay is of moderately to highly plasticity and moderately to highly reactive, and the upper clay soils near the site surface are prone to softening, particularly during extended periods of wet weather. Suitable site preparation measures will be required to facilitate construction of the pavements.

## 7.2 Site Classification

Site classification of foundation soil reactivity provides an indication of the propensity of the ground surface to move with seasonal variation in moisture. Based on procedures presented in AS 2870 (2011) and on results from this investigation the recommended site classification for the proposed development is presented below:

It should be noted that standard designs within AS 2870 (2011) for site classifications which are based on characteristic surface movements only apply to structures of similar size and flexibility to residential buildings and do not apply to industrial structures or buildings larger than two storeys. Similar principles in design for reactivity / movement, however, should be incorporated into design, construction and maintenance.

Due to the presence of uncontrolled filling to greater than 3.0 m depth in parts of the site, and the presence of old footings the site is technically Class P, as defined in AS 2870 (2011). AS 2870 (2011) does not provide standard footing options for such conditions. Accordingly, all footings should be designed in accordance with engineering principles.

To provide suitable founding conditions for shallow footings all uncontrolled fill should be removed and replaced with engineered filling or piles should be used to support structural loads. Founding shallow footings within existing uncontrolled filling is technically feasible, however, the client should accept the risk of differential settlements, which are difficult to predict and design for.

As a preliminary guide to reactive soil movements in the natural site soils, the soil profiles and the laboratory tests were used to estimate the characteristic surface movement (ys) value for normal seasonal moisture variations. Based on this local information it is anticipated that characteristic surface movements are likely to be in the order of 60 mm, i.e. commensurate with a 'Class H1-D' (extremely reactive) classification, where founded within the Unit 3 hard clays, for the site in its present state, without the placement of additional filling. If cut or fill occurs on the site, the site classification should be reassessed, and possibly E-D site classifications may be applicable.



Design, construction and maintenance should take into account the need to achieve and preserve an equilibrium soil moisture regime beneath and around buildings. Such measures include paved areas around structures to fall away from the building, flexible plumbing connections and service trenches to be backfilled with compacted clay. These and other measures are described in AS 2870 (2011) and the attached (CSIRO, 2021).

Footings should not be founded in existing or proposed filling unless it has been placed and compacted under Level 1 earthworks inspection and testing requirements in accordance with the procedures outlined in AS 3798 (2007) or specifically assessed and designed for founding within uncontrolled filling.

Engineered filling requirements are outlined below in Section 7.12 of this report.

## 7.3 Footings

Shallow strip and pad footings for the proposed structures could be founded in Unit 3 clay of very stiff to hard consistency and or engineered filling may be proportioned for an allowable bearing pressures and designed for the preliminary settlement estimates listed in Table 3 below.

Foundation Material	Founding Depth (m)	Footing Type and Dimension	Maximum Allowable Bearing Pressure (kPa)	Estimated Settlement (mm)
Unit 3 or Engineered	1.0	Pad - 1.0 m x 1.0 m	150	10 - 15
Fill		Pad – 2.0 m x 2.0 m	150	20 - 25
Unit 3	4.0	Pad - 1.0 m x 1.0 m		10 - 15
Very stiff to hard clay or dense residual sand	1.0	Pad – 2.0 m x 2.0 m	250	20 - 25

#### **Table 6: Preliminary Settlement Estimates**

Notes to table:

It should be noted that the estimated settlements in the above table assume surcharge is applied uniformly across the footing, and do not include allowances for fluctuations due to seasonal ground movements

Footings should be preferably founded within similar materials for individual buildings/structures to reduce the risk of differential settlement.

Footing inspections should be undertaken by a geotechnical engineer to confirm foundation conditions, if the parameters in this report are adopted for design.

## 7.4 Piles

Suitable pile footing types will need to consider several factors, including depth to rock, structural capacity of the pile, the presence of fill and obstructions in fill (i.e. old footings etc) and potential for hole collapse.



Bored piles are considered an appropriate pile type within the Unit 4 rock. However, conventional bored piles through Unit 1 and Unit 1A will require specialised piling contractors, with appropriate casing, core barrels and down hole hammers to allow penetration of deleterious materials, such as existing concrete footings. Piling within Unit 1 and Unit1A is considered to be problematic and specialised advice from piling contractors would be required to provide input on their ability to penetrate such conditions.

It is recommended that bored piles should be founded at least one pile diameter into Unit 4B rock, and should be designed based on the parameters outlined below, where required to support heavy structural loads (especially under columns).

## **Geotechnical Strength Reduction Factor (AS2159)**

The design geotechnical strength of a pile ( $R_{d,g}$ ) is the ultimate geotechnical strength ( $R_{d,ug}$ ) multiplied by the geotechnical strength reduction factor ( $\phi_g$ ), such that:

$$R_{d,g} = \phi_g \cdot R_{d,ug}$$

The calculated value  $R_{d,g}$  must equal or exceed the structural design action effect  $E_d$ . Selection of the geotechnical strength reduction factor ( $\phi_g$ ) is based on a series of individual risk ratings (IRR) which are weighted and lead to an average risk rating (ARR). The individual risk ratings and final value of  $\phi_g$  depend on the following factors:

- Site: the type, quantity and quality of testing;
- Design: design methods and parameter selection;
- Installation: construction control and monitoring;
- Pile testing regime: testing benefit factor based on percentage of piles tested and the type of testing; and
- Redundancy: whether other piles can take up load if a given pile settles or fails.

It is anticipated that the pile configuration for the structure would be a low redundancy situation, and hence the appropriate basic geotechnical strength reduction factor is likely to be 0.52. The redundancy category should be confirmed by the designer.

Table 8.2.4(B) of AS 2159 (2009) requires that 5% to 15% of piles should be subject to integrity testing if the adopted  $\phi_g$  exceeds 0.4. Higher values of  $\phi_g$  can be justified by more comprehensive static or dynamic load testing. Similarly, where the basic geotechnical strength reduction factor of greater than 0.4 is to be used, serviceability (load) testing must be performed for all foundations with an average risk rating of 2.5 or greater.



#### **Bored Pile Design Parameters**

The design of bored concrete piles may be based either on limit state design methods or a 'working stress' approach. The vertical Young's modulus ( $E_v$ ) values and the ultimate limiting (end bearing and shaft adhesion) pressures given in Table 7 may be used to assess the limiting states for pile design purposes in accordance with AS 2159 (2009).

Alternatively the piles may be proportioned on the basis of the 'allowable pressures or serviceability' given in Table 7. The settlement of piles subjected to vertical loads will vary depending on the ('serviceability' or working) loads applied and the foundation conditions below the pile toe.

	Strata Depth (m) of Foundation Material		Vertical	Ultimate	Serviceability			
Geotechnical Unit	Bore 2	Bore 6	Bore 10	Bore 14	Young's Modulus, Ev <sup>(6)</sup> (MPa)	End Bearing <sup>(3),(4)</sup> (kPa)	Shaft Adhesion (1),(2) (kPa)	/ Maximum Allowable End Bearing Pressure <sup>(3),(5)</sup> (kPa)
Unit 4B	2.05-2.55	4.0 - 4.33	1.85-5.0	2.66- 3.15	50	3,000	100	700
Unit 4C	2.55-8.55	4.33 – 10.0	5.0-10.0	3.15 – 10.0-	100-200	10,000 <sup>(7)</sup>	700	3,000
Unit 4D	8.55-10.0	-	-	-	350-500	50,000	1,400	8,000

#### Table 7: Geotechnical Parameters for Pile Design in Rock

Notes to table:

All pile end bearing parameters are based on pile penetration of at least four pile diameters below the ground surface;

Shaft adhesion parameters are only applicable where adequate socket roughness (roughness category "R2" or greater) is achieved. Roughness categories are defined in (Pells, Mostyn, & Walker, 1998)

2 For calculation of tension or uplift capacity the shaft adhesion should be taken as 70% of the above shaft adhesion parameters also assessed using the inverted cone method.

- 3 Bearing pressure values assume a minimum embedment of one pile diameter into the relevant bearing stratum.
- 4 Ultimate end bearing parameters mobilised at large settlements (i.e. > 5% of pile diameter).

5 Allowable end bearing parameters could experience settlements of less than 1% of the pile diameter.

6 A range of values has been given for vertical Young's Modulus (E<sub>v</sub>) based on typical published correlations.

7 Lower end values have been given for ultimate end bearing owing to the presence of weaker seams within the rock mass. Care should be taken to ensure that the piles are not founded within these lower strength seams.

It is suggested that (Pells P. J., 1999) is used for the evaluation of the geotechnical strength and serviceability of piles designed to the parameters listed above.

The design of piles required to resist uplift or tension loads should be checked against the 'cone-pullout' failure mode as well as the shaft (i.e. 'piston pull-out') capacity of the pile. It is suggested that an inverted 60° cone from the base of the pile be used for calculation of uplift capacity.



Bored piles should have bases and sockets cleaned and free of debris and water at the time of concrete placement. Cleaning buckets should be used during pile installation to provide a suitably clean base which is at least 90% clean of drill cuttings. A roughening tool should be used to roughen sidewalls and remove clay smear during pile installation.

It is also recommended that geotechnical inspections and monitoring be undertaken during the installation of piles to confirm socket roughness and design parameters.

Notwithstanding the above, piling contractors should be responsible for selecting an appropriate piling method with reference to the ground conditions, and the pile capacities required for design.

## 7.5 Excavatability

The proposed depth of excavation is unknown at this stage. However for preliminary purposes, it is anticipated that excavations will be less than 3 m below current site levels in the northern area of the site and consequently predominantly within Unit 1 and Unit 1A materials, and possibly up to 5 m of cut will be required to terrace the southern part of the site.

It is anticipated that bulk excavation will generally be achievable using conventional hydraulic equipment for the Unit 1, Unit 2 and Unit 3 soils and fill, which were generally encountered at depth of between 0.5 m to 2 m. It is noted that the 21 tonne excavator used for the field work encountered refusal at depths of 1.6 m (Pit 102-10), 1.9 m (Pit 102-12) within sandstone 2.0 m (Pit 102-2), 2.1 m (Pit 102-3) 1.3m (Pit 102-8). Hence medium sized excavators (20 tonne or greater) may be required for bulk excavation within the Unit 1, Unit 2 and Unit 3 soils.

It is likely that a large excavator fitted with a rock hammer will be required to break up concrete footings (Unit 1A) and aid the excavation and removal process where required.

It is important to note that excavatability of rock is dependent not only on rock strength, but also on the presence, orientation and extent of discontinuities such as jointing and fracturing and other factors. For example, low strength rock with few discontinuities can be more difficult to excavate than highly fractured high strength rock.

Confined and detailed excavations in medium strength and high strength rock, will likely require the use of excavators fitted with rippers, rock hammers and/or rock sawing.

Selection of excavation methods and equipment should take into account the particle size distribution of excavated material which is intended for re-use as engineered fill.

The abbreviations shown below are used in Table 5 together with graduated shading to indicate possible characteristics of excavatability for each interpreted layer.



#### **Probable Excavation Methods**

Excavatable using excavators, elevating scrapers and light ripping (e.g. D8)

Probably excavatable by medium ripping

Probably excavatable by heavy ripping

Blasting to loosen/fracture

#### Interpretation of Test Pits and Boreholes

Based on the results obtained from the cored boreholes, assessments have been made regarding the potential rippability / excavatability of the materials encountered. Estimates of rock rippability / excavatability were made using a combination of company experience and with reference to Figure 34 from (Braybrooke, 1988). A reproduction of this interpretative chart is presented below.



Figure 1 – Rippability Estimate from Strength and Joint Spacing (Braybrooke, 1988)

Table 8 below summarises the interpreted excavation conditions for each of the cored boreholes with reference to Figure 1.



#### Table 8: Interpreted Excavation Conditions at Bore Locations

Interpreted Excavation Method	Interpreted Depth Range for Probable Method of Excavation (m)								
Bore Location	1	2	4	6	10	11	13	14	15
Hydraulic excavator, elevating scrapers and light ripping, eg using D8.	0 - 3.5	0 -2.1	0-4.7	0 - 4.33	0 - 3.7	0 - 2.8	0 - 5.4	0 - 3.1	0 - 4.3
Medium Ripping, eg using D9	3.5-8.1	2.1 - 2.80	4.7 - 6.2	4.33 - 7.00	3.7 - 5.0	2.8 - 4.3	5.4 - 10.00	3.1- 5.8	4.3 - 5.3
Heavy ripping with D9L or D10 or bigger.	8.1-10	2.80 - 10.00	6.2-10.0	7.00 - 10.00	5.0 - 10.0	4.3 - 6.3	NE	5.8 - 7.4	5.3 - 10.00
Blasting to loosen / fracture	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	6.3 - 10.00	NE	7.4 - 10	NE
Bore Termination Depth	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

Notes to table:

(1) - Blasting likely required below nominated depth, although some bands may be rippable

NE - Not Encountered

Strength and joint spacing based on individual borehole locations



## 7.5.1 Geotechnical Re-use of Excavated Materials

The majority of Unit 3 soils and/or Unit 4 rock encountered on site will likely be suitable for use as engineered fill beneath pavement, hardstand and structural areas, however the suitability of the Unit 4 material will be dependent on the ability to create a suitable particle size distribution, and may require additional processing such as crushing and blending.

The reactivity of the clay should be considered and the use of site won clay soils will negatively impact characteristic surface movements (possibly commensurate with Class E-D classification). Laboratory test results also indicated that some of the clays are of high plasticity and hence consideration could be given to blending the clay with the weathered bedrock material, which was encountered at greater depth, to reduce the plasticity and improve the shrink-swell characteristics and strength of the clay soils, or capping of clay fill with at least 0.6 m of non-reactive filling will reduce overall characteristic surface movements.

The Unit 4 rock would be a suitable engineering fill material provided the material can be produced to generate a well graded material. This may require using hammers or possibly cross-ripping the rock with tynes. The finer material is likely to require segregation from the oversize material (say >200 mm), with the coarser material requiring further processing such as crushing or additional hammering to produce a material suitable for engineered fill.

Unit 1 material and soils with deleterious materials (such as organics, building demolition material, etc.) are not considered suitable for re-use as engineered fill, without removal of the majority of deleterious materials, as well as removal of oversized particles, where encountered. As stated above specific management plans would be required when working with Unit 1 filling. It is considered that removal of such materials is likely to be too high of a risk in regards to workers WHS and is therefore not recommended.

Moisture conditioning by adding water would be required for site won filling.

In accordance with the NSW POEO Act, all material that will be removed from site must be subject to a waste classification assessment in accordance with NSW EPA waste classification guidelines to facilitate off-site disposal to an appropriately licensed landfill / waste management facility, or appropriately assessed for its potential reuse on another site as either Virgin Excavated Natural Material (VENM) or an appropriate resource recovery exempt material (e.g. Excavated Natural Material (ENM)) in accordance with the appropriate NSW EPA resource recovery order (RRO). DP can assist with classification and assessment of materials to be removed from site, if required.

#### 7.6 Excavation Batters

The following batters are recommended for slopes with a total height of up to 5.0 m.



Strata	Temporary Maximum Slope (H:V)	Long Term Maximum Slope (H:V)
Unit 1 – Fill	2H:1V (Less than 1.0 m depth)	3H:1V
Unit 3 – clay	1H:1V	3H:1V
Unit 4A / 4B- Very Low to Low Strength Rock	0.75H:1V	1H:1V
Unit 4C – Low to medium strength	0.5H:1V	0.25H:1V
Unit 4D – High strength or stronger	0.5H:1V	0.25H:1V

#### Table 9: Recommended Temporary Batter Slopes

Notes to table:

Batter slopes within fill and rock are subject to geotechnical inspection during construction; dependent on jointing

Rock cuttings should be inspected by a suitably qualified engineering geologist / geotechnical engineer, during excavation / trimming, to confirm the above batter slopes and identify the need or otherwise for bolting or other temporary support measures.

All batter slopes should be protected from erosion. Surface water should be diverted away from slopes by installation of a dish drain at the crest of slopes.

#### 7.7 Retaining Walls

Where support is to be provided to adjoining structures or services, the use of retaining walls up to 2 m in height is recommended. Design parameters for estimating long-term earth pressures on retaining walls with level back fill (i.e. no slopes) are presented in Table 10. These values are unfactored hence a suitable factor of safety should be used in design.

Table 10: Design	Parameters	for Retaining	Structures	(Unfactored)
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Unit	Material	γ <sub>b</sub> (kN/m³)	Ka	Ко	Кр
-	Engineered fill	20	0.41	0.58	2.5
3A	Very stiff to hard residual clay	20	0.36	0.53	2.8
3B	Dense residual clayey sand	20	0.29	0.46	3.4

Notes to table:

γb - bulk density

Ka - coefficient of active earth pressure

Ko - coefficient of 'at-rest' earth pressure Kp - coefficient of passive earth pressure



## 7.8 Soil Aggressivity to Buried Structures

Bore	Depth (m)	Description	Soil Condition	pH (concrete)	pH (steel)	Resistivity <sup>(1)</sup> (Ω.cm) (steel)	SO₄ (ppm) (concrete)	CI (ppm) (steel)
1	2.5 - 2.92	Sandy CLAY	В	9.5	9.5	4545	20	21
4	1.0 - 1.35	Sandy CLAY	В	7.8	7.8	2326	260	330
12	2.5 - 2.95	Sandy CLAY	В	8.8	8.8	2174	49	350
13	1.0 - 1.45	Sandy CLAY	В	8.6	8.6	1042	570	780
16	1.1 - 1.45	Sandy CLAY	В	3.7	3.7	588	4100	37

#### Table 11: Soil Aggressivity

Notes to Table:

Non-aggressive

Mildly aggressive

Moderately aggressive

Severely Aggressive

Very Severe

NT Not Tested

1 Resistivity calculated based on inverse of conductivity in aqueous solution results

Scale of aggressivity based on threshold values given in AS 2159 - 2009: Piling - Design and Installation.

Reference should be made to Tables 6.4.3 of (AS 2159, 2009) to determine the minimum concrete cover to reinforcement required (for concrete piles), based on this exposure classification and the minimum concrete strength appropriate for the indicated site conditions.

## 7.9 Earthquake Design Parameters (Site Sub-Soil Class)

Sections 3 and 4 of AS 1170.4 (2007) provides details regarding hazard factors and site sub-soil classes.

Reference to Figure 3.2(G) of AS 1170.4 (2007) indicates that a hazard factor, Z, of 0.12 would be applicable for earthquake design at this site.

Conditions encountered during the investigation are summarised as fill up to about 3 m depth, overlying typically stiff to hard or dense to very dense residual soils, extremely weathered material grading to low strength and increasing up to very high strength rock. Based on these conditions, Section 4 of AS 1170.4 (2007) indicates that the site would be classed as a "shallow soil site", for which a sub-soil 'Class C<sub>e</sub>' would apply.



## 7.10 Soil Erosion and Dispersion Potential

To minimise impacts of erosion and or dispersion the following measures may decrease the likelihood:

- Compaction of any proposed fill in accordance with Section 7.12 of this report;
- Permanent batter slopes should be vegetated as soon as possible, to reduce the risk of significant soil erosion occurring;
- Topsoil (with minimum thickness of 100 mm and a maximum of 200 mm thickness) and vegetation on exposed batters or cuts. Hydro-mulching could be considered to promote growth;
- Adequate surface drainage is provided to reduce surface and seepage water flows;
- Contour drains along the crest of both cut and fill batters should be provided to reduce the potential for erosion. Such drains should be vegetated or gravel-lined, as appropriate for the expected flows;
- Short term erosion measures such as silt fencing, hay bales etc., where required during construction; and
- Drains should be vegetated or concrete-lined, as appropriate for the expected flows. The use of rip-rap (rockfill) blankets or extensive re-vegetation may be required to dissipate stormwater flows at the location of drain outlets or previously eroded areas if encountered.

## 7.11 Thermal Resistivity Testing

Thermal resistivity laboratory testing was performed on undisturbed samples (U70 tube samples) in accordance with ASTM D5534, and was undertaken on selected samples from the test locations (i.e. Bore 1, 5, 8, 9 and 12). The results were plotted in the form of a dry-out curve to determine the relationship between moisture content and thermal resistivity.

The field testing was undertaken by Geotherm Australia and comprised using a probe in accordance with ASTM D5334, within the test pits excavated over Bores 1, 5, 8, 9 and 12, and the field testing was undertaken at similar depths to the above mentioned laboratory test sample.

The results of the field and laboratory testing with dry out curve interpretations are contained within Appendix B.

## 7.12 Pavement Thickness Design

The pavement thickness designs presented in this report is considered preliminary only and is based on assumed traffic loading data, and it is further understood that for specific pavements which may be traffic by forklifts / cranes or where stacking or structural point loads occur that Ausgrid will undertake specific pavement thickness designs.



## 7.12.1 Design Traffic Loading

It is understood that majority of traffic will comprise light vehicles and light trucks during the operation of the substation. The construction period is likely to constitute the highest volume of road register trucks. No specific traffic volume data has been provided, whoever for the purpose of these preliminary pavement designs the design traffic loadings adopted for pavement thickness design has been provided within Table 12 below.

Pavement	Pavement Type	Design Traffic Loading (ESA's)	Average ESA / HVAG	Design Traffic Loading HVAG	
Access Road	Flexible	8 × 104		-	
Substation Distform	Flexible	0 X 10'	0.8	-	
Substation Platform	Rigid - concrete	-		1 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	

#### Table 12: Summary of Design Traffic Loading Adopted

## 7.12.2 Design Subgrade CBR

The expected subgrade conditions for the access road pavements generally comprise natural silty clay Unit 2. Similarly, subgrade conditions for the substation platform will comprise Unit 2 materials given earthworks are likely to be required for regrading of the area.

Based on the results of the laboratory testing (CBR 4% to 8%) and experience with similar soils in the area a subgrade CBR of 3% has been adopted. Given the low CBR subgrade soils and their risk to swell and soften with increase in moisture content a select subgrade layer is recommended to allow construction of overlying pavements and fill within the fill platform.

An effective CBR of 4% being adopted for platform pavement thickness design purposes, given that a 500 mm thick select subgrade layer (at least CBR 10%) is to be used.

A design CBR of 7% should be adopted for platform pavement thickness design purposes, where Unit 4 rock is exposed. As outlined above design CBR of 3% should be adopted for access road pavement thickness design purposes, where Unit 3 clay soils are encountered at subgrade level and no select material is to be used.

It is noted that clay can be susceptible to softening upon inundation or exposure to moisture, hence care should be taken to protect excavations / subgrades against inclement weather or prolonged exposure to the elements.

## 7.12.3 Flexible Pavement Thickness Design

The flexible pavement thickness design was undertaken in accordance with the Austroads guideline for design of pavements (Austroads, 2017). The results are presented in below in Table 13.



#### **Table 13: Flexible Pavement Thickness**

Traffic Load	8 x 10 <sup>4</sup> ESA						
	3%	4%	7%				
Effective Design Subgrade CBR	Clay subgrade with no select	Clay subgrade with 500 mm of select material of CBR 10%	Rock subgrades				
Design Life (years)		20					
Pavement Layer	Layer Thickness (mm)	Layer Thickness (mm)	Layer Thickness (mm)				
Asphalt	50 AC10 and Primer seal <sup>1</sup>	50 AC10 and Primer seal <sup>1</sup>	50 AC10 and Primer seal <sup>1</sup>				
Basecourse	100	100	100 <sup>3</sup>				
Subbase	230	170	100 <sup>3</sup>				
Total Pavement Thickness (including AC wearing course)	380	320 + Select	250 + Select				

Notes to Table:

(1) A 7 mm - 10 mm prime seal should be placed over the basecourse.

(2) Incorporation of a select layer is recommended owing to the presence of expansive clay subgrade and has been considered in determining the design subgrade CBR (refer Section 7.12.2). Additional select material may be required to allow for compaction of overlying pavement layers depending on the moisture condition of the clay subgrade at the time of construction.

(3) A single 200 mm layer of basecourse material could be used with the omission of the subbase layer, to assist with placement and compaction

It is expected that there may be a requirement for increased maintenance in areas of tightly turning trucks due to high shear / torsional stresses applied to the pavement surface. The use of a stiffer binder (i.e. Class 450 or Class 600 PMB bitumen) in the asphalt (if used) would be expected to reduce the damage to the asphalt surface in areas of tightly turning heavy vehicles.

It is recommended that where any new pavements abuts an existing pavement, it should be benched / keyed in a minimum width of 0.3 m. Vertical interface / joints between the new and existing sections of pavements should not be located within wheel paths.

## 7.12.4 Rigid Pavement Thickness Design

Based on the procedures outlined in (Austroads, 2017) the following rigid pavement thickness design, shown in Table 14, is suggested.



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#### Table 14: Rigid Pavement Thickness Design

Traffic Load	1 x 10⁵ HVAGs			
Design Subgrade CBR	4% Clay subgrade with 500 mm select material of CBR 10%	7% Rock subgrades		
Design Life (years)	20			
Load Safey Factor	1.2			
Pavement Layer	Layer Thicl	kness (mm)		
Concrete Base	165	160		
Subbase	100	100		
Select Subgrade <sup>(1)</sup>	500	500		
Total Pavement Thickness	265 + Select	260 + Select		

Notes to Table:

This pavement thickness design is based on the use of concrete shoulders, a concrete flexural strength of at least 4 MPa and a design project load safety factor of 1.2.

<sup>1</sup> Incorporation of a select layer is recommended owing to the presence of expansive clay subgrade and has been considered in determining the design subgrade CBR (refer Section 7.12.2). Additional select material may be required to allow for compaction of overlying pavement layers depending on the moisture condition of the clay subgrade at the time of construction.

The rigid pavement thickness given in Table 14 is based on a 28-day compressive strength of at least 32 MPa. Steel reinforcing and joint detail for the concrete pavement should be designed by the civil engineer for the project based on the procedures in Austroads.

#### 7.13 Material Quality and Compaction Requirements

Recommended pavement material quality and compaction requirements are presented in below.



Pavement Layer	Material Quality	Compaction				
Asphalt	Conform to local Council requirements or TfNSW R116 NCC requirements or TfNSW R					
Unbound Basecourse	CBR > 80%, PI ≤ 6%, Grading in accordance with Council requirements	Compact to at least 98% dry density ratio Modified (AS 1289.5.2.1)				
Subbase	CBR > 30%, PI ≤ 12%, Grading in accordance with Council requirements	Compact to at least 95% dry density ratio Modified (AS 1289.5.2.1)				
Access Road - CBR>30%, as per subbase (minimum 300 mm thick)Select SubgradePlatform - CBR ≥ 10% with no particles greater than 200 mm (minimum 500 mm thick)		Compact to at least 100% dry density ratio Standard (AS 1289.5.1.1)				

#### Table 15: Material Quality and Compaction Requirements

Table 16:	Material	Quality and	d Compaction	Requirements -	Concrete Pavement
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Layer	Material Quality	Compaction
Concrete Base	Minimum 32 MPa 28 day compressive strength Flexural Strength of 4.0 MPa	-
Subbase	CBR > 30%, PI ≤ 12%, Grading in accordance with Council requirements	Compact to at least 95% dry density ratio Modified (AS 1289.5.2.1)
Select Subgrade	Access Road - CBR>30%, as per subbase (minimum 300 mm thick) Platform - CBR ≥ 10% with no particles greater than 200 mm (minimum 500 mm thick)	Compact to at least 100% dry density ratio Standard (AS 1289.5.1.1)

## 7.13.1 Pavement Drainage

The vehicular pavement designs provided above depend on the provision of adequate surface and subsoil drainage to maintain the subgrade as close to the optimum moisture content as possible and to ensure that the pavement layers do not become saturated.

Normally, subsoil drainage should be installed at least 0.5 m below subgrade level adjacent to pavements. Preparation of subgrade surfaces should be such that adequate crossfalls for surface drainage are achieved across the final pavement.



In the case where new pavement abuts existing pavement a subsoil drain should be installed at the interface. This drain should comprise a narrow trench backfilled with either 'no-fines' concrete or 14 mm aggregate and 100 mm diameter 'Ag' pipe wrapped in a geotextile. The drain should extend from the top of the subbase layer to within the subgrade and be connected to the subsurface drainage system, to ensure the release of any moisture trapped between the existing and new pavement materials.

## 7.14 Earthworks Preparation Measures

The recommended earthworks preparation measures are provided in the following sections.

Geotechnical inspection, compaction testing and proof rolling of all engineered fill is recommended. Subgrade inspections are also recommended. Earthworks construction procedures should be in accordance with AS 3798 (2007).

#### 7.14.1 Substation Platform Fill

The construction of a filling under buildings should be carried out in accordance with Level 1 testing, as defined in AS 3798 (2007) and should include the following:

- Remove topsoil (Unit 2), uncontrolled fill (Unit 1 / 1A) and unsuitable materials to expose a stiff or stronger clay soils (Unit 3) and/or rock (Unit 4), noting that disturbance of the existing fill would trigger specific Work Health & Safety (WHS) Plans for working with contaminated soils;
- Removal of tree root zone;
- Test roll and inspect the exposed subgrade and remove soft / weak material. Unsuitable material should be replaced with engineered fill;
- Compact the subgrade to at least 95% Standard dry density ratio, as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1, at a moisture content within the range from -2% OMC to OMC, where OMC is the optimum moisture content as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1;
- Place and compact the engineered fill (clay materials) within the range of 98% to 102% Standard dry density ratio, at a moisture content within the range ± 2% of OMC. The use of clay fill should only be undertaken when it is located at least 0.6 m below finished level;
- Place and compact the engineered fill (non-reactive materials) to at least 98% Standard dry density ratio, at a moisture content within the range ± 2% of OMC. Non-reactive fill should be used within the upper 0.5 m of fill profile. Specific assessment of non-reactive fill thickness should be undertaken prior to construction to confirm these requirements and the impact on site classification;
- The 'non-reactive' fill material should be a low permeability crushed siltstone/sandstone or ridge gravel placed as engineered fill (Level 1 testing) in accordance with AS 3798 (2007), with shrink-swell index of less than 1%, and a soaked CBR value of 15% or greater;
- Engineered fill placed as above should surround structures / building footprint by at least a 2 m horizontal distance.

At the completion of earthworks, the surface heave movements and re-classification of the site should be confirmed by site specific laboratory testing and engineering assessment by this Office.



## 7.14.2 Pavement Subgrade

A site entry pavement as well as pavements on the substation fill platform are anticipated. Pavement subgrade preparation should be as follows:

- Excavate to design subgrade level, incorporating the select layer, noting that disturbance of the existing fill would trigger specific WHS Plans for working with contaminated soils. The surface should be sloped to ensure water does not pond over the materials;
- Strip all vegetation and topsoil (Unit 2) which contains organic matter (up to 0.03 m encountered during this investigation) and grub out all significant roots;
- The exposed subgrade material surface should be inspected by a geotechnical engineer to check for excessively wet areas or weak zones, and assess if pavement should be constructed over natural subgrade or of subgrade treatment such as drying back, removal and replacement, select and/or bridging layer if required;
- Where suitable subgrades are encountered, the subgrade should be compacted to at least 100% Standard dry density ratio, as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1, at a moisture content within the range from -4% OMC to OMC, where OMC is the optimum moisture content as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1;
- If rock is encountered at subgrade level, it should be ripped to a depth of at least 100 mm and recompacted prior to placement of pavement layers, subject to assessment by the geotechnical engineer; The ripped rock should be compact to at least 100% Standard dry density ratio, as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1, at a moisture content within the range from -4% OMC to OMC, where OMC is the optimum moisture content as measured by AS 1289.5.1.1;
- Placement of pavement as required in accordance with requirements outlined above.

Earthworks construction procedures for pavement subgrade preparation should be subject to Level 2 geotechnical inspections and testing as detailed in AS 3798 (2007), which requires at least one field density test per layer of filling per 50 m lineal distance placed.

## 7.14.3 General

- Engineered fill should be placed in near horizontal layers not exceeding 300 mm loose thickness, and with a maximum particle size not exceeding two-thirds of the compacted layer thickness;
- The fill layers should be keyed or benched at least 0.3 m into batter slopes;
- Adequate surface drainage should be provided to direct surface water away from engineered filling;
- Excavations should be wide enough to allow access for adequately sized compaction equipment;
- Embankments should be over-filled at the batters and trimmed back to the design batter angle to ensure the filling is compacted for the full design width.

#### 7.15 Mine Subsidence

Correspondence with Mr Paul Grey (SA NSW Senior Risk Officer) of SA NSW on 11 May 2023 indicated the following:



- The site is in a proclaimed mine subsidence district;
- The site is not undermined and is unlikely to ever be mined;
- SA NSW confirmed that the subject site is currently assigned **Guideline 8**, and as such, the property is assessed by SA NSW as not being at risk of mine subsidence and no mine subsidence related restrictions apply to the site;
- Any development on the site is exempt from requiring Subsidence Advisory approval, and should be confirmed by the client with SA NSW prior to construction during the early planning phases of the project.

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## 9. Limitations

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The assessment of atypical safety hazards arising from this advice is restricted to the (geotechnical / environmental / groundwater) components set out in this report and based on known project conditions and stated design advice and assumptions. While some recommendations for safe controls may be provided, detailed 'safety in design' assessment is outside the current scope of this report and requires additional project data and assessment.

This report must be read in conjunction with all of the attached and should be kept in its entirety without separation of individual pages or sections. DP cannot be held responsible for interpretations or conclusions made by others unless they are supported by an expressed statement, interpretation, outcome or conclusion stated in this report.

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#### **Douglas Partners Pty Ltd**
### Appendix A

About this Report Terminology, Symbols and Abbreviations Soil Descriptions Rock Descriptions Sampling, Testing and Excavation Methodology CSIRO 2021 Borehole Logs 1 to 17 Core Photographs (Bores 1, 2, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15) Test Pit Logs 101-1 to 101-6, and 102-1 to 102-12 These notes have been provided to amplify DP's report in regard to classification methods, field procedures and the comments section. Not all are necessarily relevant to all reports.

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#### **Borehole and Test Pit Logs**

The borehole and test pit logs presented in this report are an engineering and/or geological interpretation of the subsurface conditions, and their reliability will depend to some extent on frequency of sampling and the method of drilling or excavation. Ideally, continuous undisturbed sampling or core drilling will provide the most reliable assessment, but this is not always practicable or possible to justify on economic grounds. In any case the boreholes and test pits represent only a very small sample of the total subsurface profile.

Interpretation of the information and its application to design and construction should therefore take into account the spacing of boreholes or pits, the frequency of sampling, and the possibility of other than 'straight line' variations between the test locations.

#### Groundwater

Where groundwater levels are measured in boreholes there are several potential problems, namely:

- In low permeability soils groundwater may enter the hole very slowly or perhaps not at all during the time the hole is left open;
- A localised, perched water table may lead to an erroneous indication of the true water table;
- Water table levels will vary from time to time with seasons or recent weather changes. They may not be the same at the time of construction as are indicated in the report; and
- The use of water or mud as a drilling fluid will mask any groundwater inflow. Water has to be blown out of the hole and drilling mud must first be washed out of the hole if water measurements are to be made.

More reliable measurements can be made by installing standpipes which are read at intervals over several days, or perhaps weeks for low permeability soils. Piezometers, sealed in a particular stratum, may be advisable in low permeability soils or where there may be interference from a perched water table.

#### Reports

The report has been prepared by qualified personnel, is based on the information obtained from field and laboratory testing, and has been undertaken to current engineering standards of interpretation and analysis. Where the report has been prepared for a specific design proposal, the information and interpretation may not be relevant if the design proposal is changed. If this happens, DP will be pleased to review the report and the sufficiency of the investigation work.

Every care is taken with the report as it relates to interpretation of subsurface conditions, discussion of geotechnical and environmental aspects, and recommendations or suggestions for design and construction. However, DP cannot always anticipate or assume responsibility for:

- Unexpected variations in ground conditions. The potential for this will depend partly on borehole or pit spacing and sampling frequency;
- Changes in policy or interpretations of policy by statutory authorities; or
- The actions of contractors responding to commercial pressures.

If these occur, DP will be pleased to assist with investigations or advice to resolve the matter.





#### **Site Anomalies**

In the event that conditions encountered on site during construction appear to vary from those which were expected from the information contained in the report, DP requests that it be immediately notified. Most problems are much more readily resolved when conditions are exposed rather than at some later stage, well after the event.

#### Information for Contractual Purposes

Where information obtained from this report is provided for tendering purposes, it is recommended that all information, including the written report and discussion, be made available. In circumstances where the discussion or comments section is not relevant to the contractual situation, it may be appropriate to prepare a specially edited document. DP would be pleased to assist in this regard and/or to make additional report copies available for contract purposes at a nominal charge.

#### Site Inspection

The company will always be pleased to provide engineering inspection services for geotechnical and environmental aspects of work to which this report is related. This could range from a site visit to confirm that conditions exposed are as expected, to full time engineering presence on site.

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### Terminology, Symbols and Abbreviations

#### Introduction to Terminology, Symbols and Abbreviations

Douglas Partners' reports, investigation logs, and other correspondence may use terminology which has quantitative or qualitative connotations. To remove ambiguity or uncertainty surrounding the use of such terms, the following sets of notes pages may be attached Douglas Partners' reports, depending on the work performed and conditions encountered:

- Soil Descriptions;
- Rock Descriptions; and
- Sampling, insitu testing, and drilling methodologies

In addition to these pages, the following notes generally apply to most documents.

#### Abbreviation Codes

Site conditions may also be presented in a number of different formats, such as investigation logs, field mapping, or as a written summary. In some of these formats textual or symbolic terminology may be presented using textual abbreviation codes or graphic symbols, and, where commonly used, these are listed alongside the terminology definition. For ease of identification in these note pages, textual codes are presented in these notes in the following style Xw. Code usage conforms with the following guidelines:

- Textual codes are case insensitive, although herein they are generally presented in upper case; and
- Textual codes are contextual (i.e. the same or similar combinations of characters may be used in different contexts with different meanings (for example `PL` is used for plastic limit in the context of soil moisture condition, as well as in `PL(A)` for point load test result in the testing results column).

#### Data Integrity Codes

Subsurface investigation data recorded by Douglas Partners is generally managed in a highly structured database environment, where records "span" between a top and bottom depth interval. Depth interval "gaps" between records are considered to introduce ambiguity, and, where appropriate, our practice guidelines may require contiguous data sets. Recording meaningful data is not always appropriate (for example assigning a "strength" to a concrete pavement) and the following codes may be used to maintain contiguity in such circumstances.

Term	Description	Abbreviation Code
Core loss	No core recovery	KL
Unknown	Information was not available to allow classification of the property. For example, when auguring in loose, saturated sand auger cuttings may not be returned.	UK
No data	Information required to allow classification of the property was not available. For example if drilling is commenced from the base of a hole predrilled by others	ND
Not Applicable	Derivation of the properties not appropriate or beyond the scope of the investigation. For example providing a description of the strength of a concrete pavement	NA

#### Graphic Symbols

Douglas Partners' logs contain a "graphic" column which provides a pictorial representation of the basic composition of the material. The symbols used are directly representing the material name stated in the adjacent "Description of Strata" column, and as such no specific graphic symbology legend has been provided in these notes.

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#### Introduction

All materials which are not considered to be "in-situ rock" are described in general accordance with the soil description model of AS 1726-2017 Part 6.1.3, and can be broken down into the following description structure:



The "classification" comprises a two character "group symbol" providing a general summary of dominant soil characteristics. The "name" summarises the particle sizes within the soil which most influence its behaviour. The detailed description presents more information about composition, condition, structure, and origin of the soil.

Classification, naming and description of soils require the relative proportion of particles of different sizes within the whole soil mixture to be considered.

#### Particle size designation and Behaviour Model

Solid particles within a soil are differentiated on the basis of size.

The engineering behaviour properties of a soil can subsequently be modelled to be either "fine grained" (also known as "cohesive" behaviour) or "coarse grained" ("non cohesive" behaviour), depending on the relative proportion of fine or coarse fractions in the soil mixture.

Particle Size	Particle Size	Behavi	our Model
Designation	(mm)	Behaviour	Approximate
			Dry Mass
Boulder	>200	Excluded from particle beh	
Cobble	63 - 200	aviour model as "oversize"	
Gravel <sup>1</sup>	2.36 - 63	Cooroo	
Sand <sup>1</sup>	0.075 - 2.36	Coarse	>05%
Silt	0.002 - 0.075	Fine	>35%
Clay	<0.002		- 00 %

<sup>1</sup> – refer grain size subdivision descriptions below

The behaviour model boundaries defined above are not precise, and the material behaviour should be assumed from the name given to the material (which considers the particle fraction which dominates the behaviour, refer "component proportions" below), rather than strict observance of the proportions of particle sizes. For example, if a material is named a "Sandy CLAY", this is indicative that the material exhibits fine grained behaviour, even if the dry mass of coarse grained material may exceed 65%.

#### Component proportions

The relative proportion of the dry mass of each particle size fraction is assessed to be a "primary", "secondary", or "minor" component of the soil mixture, depending on its influence over the soil behaviour.

Component	Definition <sup>1</sup>	Relative Proportion		
Proportion Designation		In Fine Grained Soil	In Coarse Grained Soil	
Primary	The component (particle size designation, refer above) which dominates the engineering behaviour of the soil	The clay/silt component with the greater proportion	The sand/gravel component with the greater proportion	
Secondary	Any component which is not the primary, but is significant to the engineering properties of the soil	Any component with greater than 30% proportion	Any granular component with greater than 30%; or Any fine component with greater than 12%	
Minor <sup>2</sup>	Present in the soil, but not significant to its engineering properties	All other components	All other components	

<sup>1</sup> As defined in AS1726-2017 6.1.4.4

<sup>2</sup> In the detailed material description, minor components are split into two further sub-categories. Refer "identification of minor components" below.

#### Composite Materials

In certain situations, a lithology description may describe more than one material, for example, collectively describing a layer of interbedded sand and clay. In such a scenario, the two materials would be described independently, with the names preceded or followed by a statement describing the arrangement by which the materials co-exist. For example, "INTERBEDDED Silty CLAY AND SAND".



#### Classification

The soil classification comprises a two character group symbol. The first character identifies the primary component. The second character identifies either the grading or presence of fines in a coarse grained soil, or the plasticity in a fine grained soil. Refer AS1726-2017 6.1.6 for further clarification.

#### Soil Name

For most soils, the name is derived with the primary component included as the noun (in upper case), preceded by any secondary components stated in an adjective form. In this way, the soil name also describes the general composition and indicates the dominant - for determination of component proportions, refer behaviour of the material.

Component <sup>1</sup>	Prominence in Soil Name
Primary	Noun (eg "CLAY")
Secondary	Adjective modifier (eg "Sandy")
Minor	No influence
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For materials which cannot be disaggregated, or which are not comprised of rock or mineral fragments, the names "ORGANIC MATTER" or "ARTIFICIĂL MATERIAL" may be used, in accordance with AS1726-2017 Table 14.

Commercial or colloquial names are not used for the soil name where a component derived name is possible (for example "Gravelly SAND" rather than "CRACKER DUST").

Materials of "fill" or "topsoil" origin are generally assigned a name derived from the primary/secondary component (where appropriate). In log descriptions this is preceded by uppercase "FILL" or "TOPSOIL". Origin uncertainty is indicated in the description by the characters (?), with the degree of uncertainty described (using the terms "probably" or "possibly" in the origin column, or at the end of the description).

#### Identification of minor components

Minor components are identified in the soil description immediately following the soil name. The minor component fraction is usually preceded with a term indicating the relative proportion of the component.

Minor Component	Relative Proportion		
Proportion Term	In Fine Grained Soil	In Coarse Grained Soil	
With	All fractions: 15-30%	Clay/silt: 5-12%	
		sand/gravel: 15-30%	
Trace	All fractions: 0-15%	Clay/silt: 0-5%	
		sand/gravel: 0-15%	

The terms "with" and "trace" generally apply only to gravel or fine particle fractions. Where cobbles/boulders are encountered in minor proportions (generally less than about 12%) the term "occasional" may be used. This term describes the sporadic distribution of the material within the confines of the investigation excavation only, and there may be considerable variation in proportion over a wider area which is difficult to factually characterise due to the relative size of the particles and the investigation methods.

#### Soil Composition

<u>Plasticity</u>			<u>Grain Siz</u>	<u>e</u>		
Descriptive	Laboratory liquid limit range		Туре			Particle size (mm)
Term	Silt	Clay	Gravel	Coarse		19 - 63
Non-plastic	Not applicable	Not applicable		Medium		6.7 - 19
materials				Fine		2.36 – 6.7
Low plasticity	≤50	≤35	Sand	Coarse		0.6 - 2.36
Medium	Not applicable	>35 and ≤50		Medium		0.21 - 0.6
plasticity				Fine		0.075 - 0.21
High plasticity	>50	>50	Grading			
Note. Plasticity descriptions generally describe the		Grading Term			Particle size (mm)	
plasticity behavi	our of the whole of t	the fine grained soil,	Well		Ag	ood representation of all
not individual fin	e grained fractions.	5 ,			par	ticle sizes
	0		Poorly		An	excess or deficiency of
					par	ticular sizes within the
					spe	ecified range
			Uniform	ly	Ess	sentially of one size
			Gap		Ad	leficiency of a particular size
					or s	size range within the total
					ran	ge

Note, AS1726-2017 provides terminology for additional attributes not listed here.

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#### **Soil Condition**

#### Moisture

The moisture condition of soils is assessed relative to the plastic limit for fine grained soils, while for coarse grained soils it is assessed based on the appearance and feel of the material. The moisture condition of a material is considered to be independent of stratigraphy (although commonly these are related), and this data is presented in its own column on logs.

Applicability	Term	Tactile Assessment	Abbreviation code
Fine	Dry of plastic limit	Hard and friable or powdery	w <pl< td=""></pl<>
	Near plastic limit	Can be moulded	w=PL
	Wet of plastic limit	Water residue remains on hands when handling	w>PL
	Near liquid limit	"oozes" when agitated	w=LL
	Wet of liquid limit	"oozes"	w>LL
Coarse	Dry	Non-cohesive and free running	D
	Moist	Feels cool, darkened in colour, particles may stick	Μ
		together	
	Wet	Feels cool, darkened in colour, particles may stick	W
		together, free water forms when handling	

The abbreviation code NDF, meaning "not-assessable due to drilling fluid use" may also be used.

Note, observations relating to free ground water or drilling fluids are provided independent of soil moisture condition.

#### Consistency/Density/Compaction/Cementation/Extremely Weathered Material

These concepts give an indication of how the material may respond to applied forces (when considered in conjunction with other attributes of the soil). This behaviour can vary independent of the composition of the material, and on logs these are described in an independent column and are generally mutually exclusive (i.e it is inappropriate to describe both consistency and compaction at the same time). The method by which the behaviour is described depends on the behaviour model and other characteristics of the soil as follows:

- In fine grained soils, the "consistency" describes the ease with which the soil can be remoulded, and is generally correlated against the materials undrained shear strength;
- In granular materials, the relative density describes how tightly packed the particles are, and is generally correlated against the density index;
- In anthropogenically modified materials, the compaction of the material is described qualitatively;
- In cemented soils (both natural and anthropogenic), the cemented "strength" is described qualitatively, relative to the difficulty with which the material is disaggregated; and
- In soils of extremely weathered material origin, the engineering behaviour may be governed by relic rock features, and expected behaviour needs to be assessed based the overall material description.

Quantitative engineering performance of these materials may be determined by laboratory testing or estimated by correlated field tests (for example penetration or shear vane testing). In some cases, performance may be assessed by tactile or other subjective methods, in which case investigation logs will show the estimated value enclosed in round brackets, for example (VS).

Consistency Term	Tactile Assessment	Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)	Abbreviation Code
Very soft	Extrudes between fingers when squeezed	<12	VS
Soft	Mouldable with light finger pressure	>12 - ≤25	S
Firm	Mouldable with strong finger pressure	>25 - ≤50	F
Stiff	Cannot be moulded by fingers	>50 - ≤100	St
Very stiff	Indented by thumbnail	>100 - ≤200	VSt
Hard	Indented by thumbnail with difficulty	>200	Н
Friable	Easily crumbled or broken into small pieces by hand	-	Fr

#### Consistency (fine grained soils)

Relative Density (coarse grained soils)

Relative Density Term	Density Index	Abbreviation Code
Very loose	<15	VL
Loose	>15 - ≤35	L
Medium dense	>35 - ≤65	MD
Dense	>65 - ≤85	D
Very dense	>85	VD

Note, tactile assessment of relative density is difficult, and generally requires penetration testing, hence a tactile assessment guide is not provided.



Compaction (	anthropog	genically	y modified soil)

Compaction Term	Abbreviation Code
Well compacted	WC
Poorly compacted	PC
Moderately compacted	MC
Variably compacted	VC

#### Cementation (natural and anthropogenic)

Cementation Term	Abbreviation Code
Moderately cemented	MOD
Weakly cemented	WEK

#### Extremely Weathered Material

AS1726-2017 considers weathered material to be soil if the unconfined compressive strength is less than 0.6 MPa (i.e. less than very low strength rock). These materials may be identified as "extremely weathered material" in reports and by the abbreviation code XWM on log sheets. This identification is not correlated to any specific qualitative or quantitative behaviour, and the engineering properties of this material must therefore be assessed according to engineering principles with reference to any relic rock structure, fabric, or texture described in the description.

#### Soil Origin

Term	Description	Abbreviation Code
Residual	Derived from in-situ weathering of the underlying rock	RS
Extremely weathered material	Formed from in-situ weathering of geological formations. Has strength of less than 'very low' as per as1726 but retains the structure or fabric of the parent rock.	XWM
Alluvial	Deposited by streams and rivers	ALV
Estuarine	Deposited in coastal estuaries	EST
Marine	Deposited in a marine environment	MAR
Lacustrine	Deposited in freshwater lakes	LAC
Aeolian	Carried and deposited by wind	AEO
Colluvial	Soil and rock debris transported down slopes by gravity	COL
Slopewash	Thin layers of soil and rock debris gradually and slowly deposited by gravity and possibly water	SW
Topsoil	Mantle of surface soil, often with high levels of organic material	ТОР
Fill	Any material which has been moved by man	FILL
Littoral	Deposited on the lake or seashore	LIT
Unidentifiable	Not able to be identified	UID

#### **Cobbles and Boulders**

The presence of particles considered to be "oversize" may be described using one of the following strategies:

- Oversize encountered in a minor proportion (when considered relative to the wider area) are noted in the soil description; or
- Where a significant proportion of oversize is encountered, the cobbles/boulders are described independent of the soil description, in a similar manner to composite soils (described above) but qualified with "MIXTURE OF".

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#### **Rock Strength**

Rock strength is defined by the unconfined compressive strength, and it refers to the strength of the rock substance and not the strength of the overall rock mass, which may be considerably weaker due to defects.

The Point Load Strength Index Is(50) is commonly used to provide an estimate of the rock strength and site specific correlations should be developed to allow UCS values to be determined. The point load strength test procedure is described by Australian Standard AS4133.4.1-2007. The terms used to describe rock strength are as follows:

Strength Term	Unconfined Compressive	Point Load Index <sup>1</sup>	Abbreviation Code
	Strength (MPa)	I <sub>s(50)</sub> MPa	
Very low	0.6 - 2	0.03 - 0.1	VL
Low	2 - 6	0.1 - 0.3	L
Medium	6 - 20	0.3 - 1.0	М
High	20 - 60	1 - 3	Н
Very high	60 - 200	3 - 10	VH
Extremely high	>200	>10	EH

<sup>1</sup> Rock strength classification is based on UCS. The UCS to  $I_{s(50)}$  ratio varies significantly for different rock types and specific ratios may be required for each site. The point load Index ranges shown above are as suggested in AS1726 and should not be relied upon without supporting evidence.

The following abbreviation codes are used for soil layers or seams of material "within rock" but for which the equivalent UCS strength is less than 0.6 MPa.

Scenario	Abbreviation Code
The material encountered has an equivalent UCS strength of less than 0.6 MPa, and therefore is considered to be soil (as per Note 1 of Table 20 of AS 1726-2017). The properties of the material encountered over this interval are described in the "Description of Strata" and soil properties columns.	SOIL
The material encountered has an equivalent UCS strength of less than 0.6 MPa, and therefore is considered to be soil (as per Note 1 of Table 20 of AS 1726-2017). The prominence of the material is such that it can be considered to be a seam (as defined in Table 22 of AS1726-2017) and the properties of the material are described in the defect column.	SEAM

#### **Degree of Weathering**

The degree of weathering of rock is classified as follows:

Weathering Term	Description	Abbreviation Code
Residual Soil <sup>1</sup>	Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are no longer visible, but the soil has not been significantly transported.	RS
Extremely weathered <sup>1</sup>	Material is weathered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are still visible	
Highly weathered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable. Rock strength is significantly changed by weathering. Some primary minerals have weathered to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to deposition of weathering products in pores.	HW
Moderately weathered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by iron staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.	MW
Slightly weathered	Rock is partially discoloured with staining or bleaching along joints but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.	SW
Fresh No signs of decomposition or staining.		FR
Note: If HW and MW cannot be differentiated use DW (see below)		
Distinctly weathered	Rock strength usually changed by weathering. The rock may be highly discoloured, usually by iron staining. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to deposition of weathered products in pores.	DW

<sup>1</sup> The parent rock type, of which the residual/extremely weathered material is a derivative, will be stated in the description (where discernible).



#### Degree of Alteration

The degree of alteration of the rock material (physical or chemical changes caused by hot gasses or liquids at depth) is classified as follows:

Term	Description	Abbreviation Code
Extremely altered	Material is altered to such an extent that it has soil properties. Mass structure and material texture and fabric of original rock are still visible.	XA
Highly altered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable. Rock strength is changed by alteration. Some primary minerals are altered to clay minerals. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to precipitation of secondary materials in pores.	ΗΑ
Moderately altered	The whole of the rock material is discoloured, usually by staining or bleaching to the extent that the colour of the original rock is not recognisable but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock.	MA
Slightly altered Rock is slightly discoloured but shows little or no change of strength from fresh rock		SA
Note: If HA and MA cannot be differentiated use DA (see below)		
Distinctly altered	Rock strength usually changed by alteration. The rock may be highly discoloured, usually by staining or bleaching. Porosity may be increased by leaching or may be decreased due to precipitation of secondary minerals in pores.	DA

#### **Degree of Fracturing**

The following descriptive classification apply to the spacing of natural occurring fractures in the rock mass. It includes bedding plane partings, joints and other defects, but excludes drilling breaks. These terms are generally not required on investigation logs where fracture spacing is presented as a histogram, and where used are presented in an unabbreviated format.

Term	Description	
Fragmented	Fragments of <20 mm	
Highly Fractured	Core lengths of 20-40 mm with occasional fragments	
Fractured	Core lengths of 30-100 mm with occasional shorter and longer sections	
Slightly Fractured	Core lengths of 300 mm or longer with occasional sections of 100-300 mm	
Unbroken	Core contains very few fractures	

#### **Rock Quality Designation**

The quality of the cored rock can be measured using the Rock Quality Designation (RQD) index, defined as:

RQD %= <u>cumulative length of 'sound' core sections > 100 mm long</u> total drilled length of section being assessed

where 'sound' rock is assessed to be rock of low strength or stronger. The RQD applies only to natural fractures. If the core is broken by drilling or handling (i.e., drilling breaks) then the broken pieces are fitted back together and are not included in the calculation of RQD.

#### **Stratification Spacing**

These terms may be used to describe the spacing of bedding partings in sedimentary rocks. Where used, these terms are generally presented in an unabbreviated format

Term	Separation of Stratification Planes
Thinly laminated	< 6 mm
Laminated	6 mm to 20 mm
Very thinly bedded	20 mm to 60 mm
Thinly bedded	60 mm to 0.2 m
Medium bedded	0.2 m to 0.6 m
Thickly bedded	0.6 m to 2 m
Very thickly bedded	> 2 m



#### **Defect Descriptions**

#### Defect Type

Term	Abbreviation Code
Bedding plane	В
Infilled seam	IS
Cleavage	CV
Crushed zone	CZ
Decomposed seam	DS
Fault	F
Joint	JT
Lamination	LAM
Parting	P
Shear zone	SZ
Vein	VN
Drilling/handling break	DB , HB
Fracture	FC

#### Rock Defect Orientation

Term	Abbreviation Code
Horizontal	Н
Vertical	V
Sub-horizontal	SH
Sub-vertical	SV

#### Rock Defect Coating

Term	Abbreviation Code
Clean	CN
Coating	СТ
Healed	HE
Infilled	INF
Stained	SN
Tight	TI
Veneer	VNR

#### Rock Defect Infill

Term	Abbreviation Code
Calcite	CA
Carbonaceous	CBS
Clay	CLAY
Iron oxide	FE
Manganese	MN

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#### Rock Defect Shape/Planarity

Term	Abbreviation Code									
Curved	CU									
Irregular	IR									
Planar	PR									
Stepped	ST									
Undulating	UN									

#### Rock Defect Roughness

Term	Abbreviation Code
Polished	PO
Rough	RF
Slickensided	SL
Smooth	SM
Very rough	VR

#### Defect Orientation

The inclination of defects is always measured from the perpendicular to the core axis.





# Sampling, Testing and Excavation Methodology

Terminology Symbols Abbreviations



#### Sampling and Testing

A record of samples retained, and field testing performed is usually shown on a Douglas Partners' log with samples appearing to the left of a depth scale, and selected field and laboratory testing (including results, where relevant) appearing to the right of the scale, as illustrated below:



#### Sampling

The type or intended purpose for which a sample was taken is indicated by the following abbreviation codes.

Sample Type	Code
Auger sample	Α
Bulk sample	В
Core sample	C
Disturbed sample	D
Sample from SPT test	SPT
Environmental sample	ES
Gas sample	G
Undisturbed tube sample	U <sup>1</sup>
Water sample	W
Piston sample	Р
Core sample for unconfined	UCS
compressive strength testing	
Material Sample	MT

<sup>1</sup> – numeric suffixes indicate tube diameter/width in mm

The above codes only indicate that a sample was retained, and not that testing was scheduled or performed.

#### Field and Laboratory Testing

A record that field and laboratory testing was performed is indicated by the following abbreviation codes.

Test Type	Code
Pocket penetrometer (kPa)	PP
Photo ionisation detector (ppm)	PID
Standard Penetration Test	SPT
x/y = x blows for y mm penetration	
HB = hammer bouncing	
HW = fell under weight of hammer	
Shear vane (kPa)	
Unconfined compressive	UCS
strength, (MPa)	

#### Field and laboratory testing (continued)

Test Type	Code
Point load test, (MPa),	PLT(_)
axial (A), diametric (D),	
irregular (I)	
Dynamic cone penetrometer,	DCP/150
followed by blow count	
penetration increment in mm	
(cone tip, generally in accordance	
with AS1289.6.3.2)	
Perth sand penetrometer, followed	PSP/150
by blow count penetration	
increment in mm	
(flat tip, generally in accordance	
with AS1289.6.3.3)	

#### **Groundwater Observations**

$\triangleright$	seepage/inflow											
	standing or observed water level											
NFGWO	0 no free groundwater observed											
OBS	observations	obscured	by	drilling								
	fluids											

#### **Drilling or Excavation Methods/Tools**

The drilling/excavation methods used to perform the investigation may be shown either in a dedicated column down the left-hand edge of the log, or stated in the log footer. In some circumstances abbreviation codes may be used.

Method	Abbreviation							
Toothed bucket	TB <sup>1</sup>							
Mud/blade bucket	MB <sup>1</sup>							
Ripping tyne/ripper	R							
Rock breaker/hydraulic hammer	RB							
Hand auger	HA1							
NMLC series coring	NMLC							
HMLC series coring	HMLC							
NQ coring	NQ3							
HQ coring	HQ3							
PQ coring	PQ3							
Push tube	PT <sup>1</sup>							
Rock roller	RR <sup>1</sup>							
Solid flight auger. Suffixes:	AD <sup>1</sup>							
<pre>/T = tungsten carbide tip,</pre>								
/V = v-shaped tip								
Sonic drilling	SON <sup>1</sup>							
Vibrocore	VC <sup>1</sup>							
Wash bore (unspecified bit type)	WB <sup>1</sup>							
Existing exposure	X							
Hand tools (unspecified)	HAND							
Predrilled	PD							
Diatube	DT <sup>1</sup>							
Hollow flight auger	HSA <sup>1</sup>							
Vacuum excavation	VE							

<sup>1</sup> – numeric suffixes indicate tool diameter/width in mm



## FOUNDATION MAINTENANCE AND FOOTING PERFORMANCE



## This Building Technology Resource is designed to identify causes of soi -related building movement, and to suggest methods of prevention of resultant cracking.

Buildings can and often do move. This movement can be up, down, lateral or rotational. The fundamental cause of movement in buildings can usually be related to one or more problems in the foundation soil. It is important for the home owner to identify the soil type in order to ascertain the measures that should be put in place in order to ensure that problems in the foundation soil can be prevented, thus protecting against building movement.

#### SOIL TYPES

The types of soils usually present under the topsoil in land zoned for residential buildings can be split into two approximate groups – granular and clay, Quite often, foundation soil is a mixture of both types. The general problems associated with soils having granular content are usually caused by erosion. Clay soils are subject to saturation and swell/shrink problems.

Classifications for a given area can generally be obtained by application to the local authority, but these are sometimes unreliable and if there is doubt, a geotechnical report should be commissioned. As most buildings suffering movement problems are founded on clay soils, there is an emphasis on classification of soils according to the amount of swell and shrinkage they experience with variations of water content. Table 1 below is a reproduction of Table 2.1 from Australian Standard AS 2870-2011, Residential slabs and footings.

#### CAUSES OF MOVEMENT

#### SETTLEMENT DUE TO CONSTRUCTION

There are two types of settlement that occur as a result of construction:

- Immediate settlement occurs when a building is first placed on its foundation soil, as a result of compaction of the soil under the weight of the structure. The cohesive quality of clay soil mitigates against this, but granular (particularly sandy) soil is susceptible.
- Consolidation settlement is a feature of clay soil and may take place because of the expulsion of moisture from the soil or because of the soil's lack of resistance to local compressive or shear stresses. This will usually take place during the first few months after construction but has been known to take many years in exceptional cases.

These problems may be the province of the builder and should be taken into consideration as part of the preparation of the site for construction.

#### EROSION

All soils are prone to erosion, but sandy soil is particularly susceptible to being washed away. Even clay with a sand component of say 10% or more can suffer from erosion.

#### SATURATION

This is particularly a problem in clay soils. Saturation creates a boglike suspension of the soil that causes it to lose virtually all of its bearing capacity. To a lesser degree, sand is affected by saturation because saturated sand may undergo a reduction in volume, particularly imported sand fill for bedding and blinding layers. However, this usually occurs as immediate settlement and should normally be the province of the builder.

#### SEASONAL SWELLING AND SHRINKAGE OF SOIL

All clays react to the presence of water by slowly absorbing it, making the soil increase in volume (see table below, from AS 2870). The degree of increase varies considerably between cifferent clays, as does the degree of decrease during the subsequent drying out caused by fair weather periods. Because of the low at sorption and expulsion rate, this phenomenon will not usually be noticeable unless there are prolonged rainy or dry periods, usually of weeks or months, depending on the land and soil characteristics.

The swelling of soil creates an upward force on the footings of the building, and shrinkage creates subsidence that takes away the support needed by the footing to retain equilibrium.

#### SHEAR FAILURE

This phenomenon occurs when the foundation soil coes not have sufficient strength to support the weight of the foot ng. There are two major post-construction causes:

- Significant load increase.
- Reduction of lateral support of the soil under the Poting due to erosion or excavation.

In clay soil, shear failure can be caused by saturation of the soil adjacent to or under the footing.

#### TREE ROOT GROWTH

Trees and shrubs that are allowed to grow in the vicinity of footings can cause foundation soil movement in two ways:

 Roots that grow under footings may increase in closs-sectional size, exerting upward pressure on footings.

#### TABLE 1. GENERAL DEFINITIONS OF SITE CLASSES.

Class	Foundation
A	Most sand and rock sites with little or no ground movement from moisture changes
5	Slightly reactive clay sites, which may experience only slight ground movement from moisture changes
M	Moderately reactive day or silt sites, which may experience moderate ground movement from moisture changes
81	Highly reactive day sites, which may experience high ground movement from moisture changes
H2	Highly reactive clay sites, which may experience very high ground movement from moisture changes
ě.	Extremely reactive sites, which may experience extreme ground movement from moisture changes

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FIGURE 1 Trees can cause shrinkage and damage.

• Roots in the vicinity of footings will absorb much of the moisture in the foundation soil, causing shrinkage or subsidence.

#### UNEVENNESS OF MOVEMENT

The types of ground movement described above usually occur unevenly throughout the building's foundation soil. Settlement due to construction tends to be uneven because of:

- Differing compaction of foundation soil prior to construction.
- Differing moisture content of foundation soil prior to construction.

Movement due to non-construction causes is usually more uneven still. Erosion can undermine a footing that traverses the flow or can create the conditions for shear failure by eroding soil adjacent to a footing that runs in the same direction as the flow.

Saturation of clay foundation soil may occur where subfloor walls create a dam that makes water pond. It can also occur wherever there is a source of water near footings in clay soil. This leads to a severe reduction in the strength of the soil which may create local shear failure.

Seasonal swelling and shrinkage of clay soil affects the perimeter of the building first, then gradually spreads to the interior through absorption. The swelling process will usually begin at the uphill extreme of the building, or on the weather side where the land is flat. Shrinkage usually begins on the side of the building where the sun's heat is greatest.

#### EFFECTS OF UNEVEN SOIL MOVEMENT ON STRUCTURES

#### **EROSION AND SATURATION**

Erosion removes the support from under footings, tending to create subsidence of the part of the structure under which it occurs. Brickwork walls will resist the stress created by this removal of support by bridging the gap or cantilevering until the bricks or the mortar bedding fail. Older masonry has little resistance. Evidence of failure varies according to circumstances and symptoms may include:

- Step cracking in the mortar beds in the body of the wall or above/below openings such as doors or windows.
- Vertical cracking in the bricks (usually but not necessarily in line with the vertical beds or perpends).

Isolated piers affected by erosion or saturation of foundations will eventually lose contact with the bearers they support and may tilt or fall over. The floors that have lost this support will become bouncy, sometimes rattling ornaments etc.

#### SEASONAL SWELLING/SHRINKAGE IN CLAY

Swelling foundation soil due to rainy periods first lifts the most exposed extremities of the footing system, then the remainder of the perimeter footings while gradually permeating inside the building footprint to lift internal footings. This swelling first tends to create a dish effect, because the external footings are pushed higher than the internal ones.

The first noticeable symptom may be that the floor appears slightly dished. This is often accompanied by some doors binding on the floor or the door head, together with some cracking of cornice mitres. In buildings with timber flooring supported by bearers and joists, the floor can be bouncy. Externally there may be visible dishing of the hip or ridge lines.

As the moisture absorption process completes its journey to the innermost areas of the building, the internal footings will rise. If the spread of moisture is roughly even, it may be that the symptoms will temporarily disappear, but it is more likely that swelling will be uneven, creating a difference rather than a disappearance in symptoms. In buildings with timber flooring supported by bearers and joists, the isolated piers will rise more easily than the strip footings or piers under walls, creating noticeable doming of flooring.

As the weather pattern changes and the soil begins to dry out, the external footings will be first affected, beginning with the locations where the sun's effect is strongest. This has the effect of lowering the external footings. The doming is accentuated, and cracking reduces or disappears where it occurred because of dishing, but other cracks open up. The roof lines may become convex.

Doming and dishing are also affected by weather in other ways. In areas where warm, wet summers and cooler dry winters prevail, water migration tends to be toward the interior and doming will be accentuated, whereas where summers are dry, and winters are cold and wet, migration tends to be toward the exterior and the underlying propensity is toward dishing.

#### **MOVEMENT CAUSED BY TREE ROOTS**

In general, growing roots will exert an upward pressure on footings, whereas soil subject to drying because of tree or shrub roots will tend to remove support from under footings by inducing shrinkage.

#### COMPLICATIONS CAUSED BY THE STRUCTURE ITSELF

Most forces that the soil causes to be exerted on structures are vertical – i.e. either up or down. However, because these forces are seldom spread evenly around the footings, and because the building resists uneven movement because of its rigidity, forces are exerted from one part of the building to another. The net result of all these forces is usually rotational. This resultant force often complicates the diagnosis because the visible symptoms do not simply reflect the original cause. A common symptom is binding of doors on the vertical member of the frame.

#### EFFECTS ON FULL MASONRY STRUCTURES

Brickwork will resist cracking where it can. It will attempt to span areas that lose support because of subsided foundations or raised points. It is therefore usual to see cracking at weak points, such as openings for windows or doors.

In the event of construction settlement, cracking will usually remain unchanged after the process of settlement has ceased.

With local shear or erosion, cracking will usually continue to develop until the original cause has been remedied, or until the subsidence has completely neutralised the affected portion of footing and the structure has stabilised on other footings that remain effective.

In the case of swell/shrink effects, the brickwork will in some cases return to its original position after completion of a cycle, however it is more likely that the rotational effect will not be exactly reversed, and it is also usual that brickwork will settle in its new position and will resist the forces trying to return it to its original position. This means that in a case where swelling takes place after construction and cracking occurs, the cracking is likely to at least partly remain after the shrink segment of the cycle is complete. Thus, each time the cycle is repeated, the likelihood is that the cracking will become wider until the sections of brickwork become virtually independent.

With repeated cycles, once the cracking is established, if there is no other complication, it is normal for the incidence of cracking to stabilise, as the building has the articulation it needs to cope with the problem. This is by no means always the case, however, and monitoring of cracks in walls and floors should always be treated seriously.

Upheaval caused by growth of tree roots under footings is not a simple vertical shear stress. There is a tendency for the root to also

exert lateral forces that attempt to separate sections of brickwork after initial cracking has occurred.

The normal structural arrangement is that the inner leaf of brickwork in the external walls and at least some of the internal walls (depending on the roof type) comprise the load-bearing structure on which any upper floors, ceilings and the roof are supported. In these cases, it is internally visible cracking that should be the main focus of attention, however there are a few examples of dwellings whose external leaf of masonry plays some supporting role, so this should be checked if there is any doubt. In any case, externally visible cracking is important as a guide to stresses on the structure generally, and it should also be remembered that the external walls must be capable of supporting themselves.

#### EFFECTS ON FRAMED STRUCTURES

Timber or steel framed buildings are less likely to exhibit cracking due to swell/shrink than masonry buildings because of their flexibility. Also, the doming/dishing effects tend to be lower because of the lighter weight of walls. The main risks to framed buildings are encountered because of the isolated pier footings used under walls. Where erosion or saturation causes a footing to fall away, this can double the span which a wall must bridge. This additional stress can create cracking in wall linings, particularly where there is a weak point in the structure caused by a door or window opening. It is, however, unlikely that framed structures will be so stressed as to suffer serious damage without first exhibiting some or all of the above symptoms for a considerable period. The same warning period should apply in the case of upheaval. It should be noted, however, that where framed buildings are supported by strip footings there is only one leaf of brickwork and therefore the externally visible walls are the supporting structure for the building. In this case, the subfloor masonry walls can be expected to behave as full brickwork walls.

#### EFFECTS ON BRICK VENEER STRUCTURES

Because the load-bearing structure of a brick veneer building is the frame that makes up the interior leaf of the external walls plus perhaps the internal walls, depending on the type of roof, the building can be expected to behave as a framed structure, except that the external masonry will behave in a similar way to the external leaf of a full masonry structure.

#### WATER SERVICE AND DRAINAGE

Where a water service pipe, a sewer or stormwater drainage pipe is in the vicinity of a building, a water leak can cause erosion, swelling or saturation of susceptible soil. Even a minuscule leak can be enough to saturate a clay foundation. A leaking tap near a building can have the same effect. In addition, trenches containing pipes can become watercourses even though backfilled, particularly where broken rubble is used as fill. Water that runs along these trenches can be responsible for serious erosion, interstrata seepage into subfloor areas and saturation.

Pipe leakage and trench water flows also encourage tree and shrub roots to the source of water, complicating and exacerbating the problem. Poor roof plumbing can result in large volumes of rainwater being concentrated in a small area of soil:

- Incorrect falls in roof guttering may result in overflows, as may gutters blocked with leaves etc.
- Corroded guttering or downpipes can spill water to ground.
- Downpipes not positively connected to a proper stormwater collection system will direct a concentration of water to soil that is directly adjacent to footings, sometimes causing largescale problems such as erosion, saturation and migration of water under the building.

#### SERIOUSNESS OF CRACKING

In general, most cracking found in masonry walls is a cosmetic nuisance only and can be kept in repair or even ignored. Table 2 below is a reproduction of Table C1 of AS 2870-2011. AS 2870-2011 also publishes figures relating to cracking in concrete floors, however because wall cracking will usually reach the critical point significantly earlier than cracking in slabs, this table is not reproduced here.

#### PREVENTION AND CURE

#### PLUMBING

Where building movement is caused by water service, roof plumbing, sewer or stormwater failure, the remedy is to repair the problem. It is prudent, however, to consider also rerouting pipes away from the building where possible and relocating taps to positions where any leakage will not direct water to the building vicinity. Even where gully traps are present, there is sometimes sufficient spill to create erosion or saturation, particularly in modern installations using smaller diameter PVC fixtures. Indeed, some gully traps are not situated directly under the taps that are installed to charge them, with the result that water from the tap may enter the backfilled trench that houses the sewer piping. If the trench has been poorly backfilled, the water will either pond or flow along the bottom of the trench. As these trenches usually run alongside the footings and can be at a similar depth, it is not hard to see how any water that is thus directed into a trench can easily affect the foundation's ability to support footings or even gain entry to the subfloor area.

#### **GROUND DRAINAGE**

In all soils there is the capacity for water to travel on the surface and below it. Surface water flows can be established by inspection during and after heavy or prolonged rain. If necessary, a grated drain system connected to the stormwater collection system is usually an easy solution.

It is, however, sometimes necessary when attempting to prevent water migration that testing be carried out to establish watertable height and subsoil water flows. This subject may be regarded as an area for an expert consultant.

#### PROTECTION OF THE BUILDING PERIMETER

It is essential to remember that the soil that affects footings extends well beyond the actual building line. Watering of garden plants, shrubs and trees causes some of the most serious water problems.

For this reason, particularly where problems exist or are likely to occur, it is recommended that an apron of paving be installed around as much of the building perimeter as necessary. This paving should extend outwards a minimum of 900 mm (more in highly reactive soil) and should have a minimum fall away from the building of 1:60. The finished paving should be no less than 100 mm below brick vent bases.

It is prudent to relocate drainage pipes away from this paving, if possible, to avoid complications from future leakage. If this is not practical, earthenware pipes should be replaced by PVC and backfilling should be of the same soil type as the surrounding soil and compacted to the same density.

Except in areas where freezing of water is an issue, it is wise to remove taps in the building area and relocate them well away from the building – preferably not uphill.

It may be desirable to install a grated drain at the outside edge of the paving on the uphill side of the building. If subsoil drainage is needed this can be installed under the surface drain.

#### CONDENSATION

In buildings with a subfloor void, such as where bearers and joists support flooring, insufficient ventilation creates ideal conditions for condensation, particularly where there is little clearance between the floor and the ground. Condensation adds to the moisture already present in the subfloor and significantly slows the process of drying out. Installation of an adequate subfloor ventilation system, either natural or mechanical, is desirable.

#### TABLE 2. CLASSIFICATION OF DAMAGE WITH REFERENCE TO WALLS.

Description of typical damage and required repair	Approximate crack width limit	Damage category
Hairline cracks	<0.1 mm	0 - Negligible
Fine cracks which do not need repair	<1 mm	1 - Very Slight
Cracks noticeable but easily filled. Doors and windows stick slightly.	<5 mm	2-Slight
Cracks can be repaired and possibly a small amount of wall will need to be replaced. Doors and windows stick. Service pipes can fracture. Weathertightness often impaired.	5–15 mm (or a number of cracks 3 mm or more in one group)	3 - Moderate
Extensive repair work involving breaking-out and replacing sections of walls, especially over doors and windows. Window and door frames distart. Walls learn or bulke noticeably, some loss of	15–25 mm but also depends on number of cracks	4 - Severe

bearing in beams. Service pipes disrupted.

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Warning: Although this Building Technology Resource deals with cracking in buildings, it should be said that subfloor moisture can result in the development of other problems, notably:

- Water that is transmitted into masonry, metal or timber building elements causes damage and/or decay to those elements.
- High subfloor humidity and moisture content create an ideal environment for various pests, including termites and spiders, and mould.
- Where high moisture levels are transmitted to the flooring and walls, an increase in the dust mite count can ensue within the living areas. Dust mites, as well as dampness in general, can be a health hazard to inhabitants, particularly those who are abnormally susceptible to respiratory ailments.

#### THE GARDEN

The ideal vegetation layout is to have lawn or plants that require only light watering immediately adjacent to the drainage or paving edge, then more demanding plants, shrubs and trees spread out in that order.

Overwatering due to misuse of automatic watering systems is a common cause of saturation and water migration under footings. If it is necessary to use these systems, it is important to remove garden beds to a completely safe distance from buildings.

#### **EXISTING TREES**

Where a tree is causing a problem of soil drying or there is the existence or threat of upheaval of footings, if the offending roots are subsidiary and their removal will not significantly damage the tree, they should be severed and a concrete or metal barrier placed vertically in the soil to prevent future root growth in the direction of the building. If it is not possible to remove the relevant roots without damage to the tree, an application to remove the tree should be made to the local authority. A prudent plan is to transplant likely offenders before they become a problem.

#### INFORMATION ON TREES, PLANTS AND SHRUBS

State departments overseeing agriculture can give information regarding root patterns, volume of water needed and safe distance from buildings of most species. Botanic gardens are also sources of information.



FIGURE 2 Gardens for a reactive site.

#### EXCAVATION

Excavation around footings must be properly engineered. Soil supporting footings can only be safely excavated at an angle that allows the soil under the footing to remain stable. This angle is called the angle of repose (or friction) and varies significantly between soil types and conditions. Removal of soil within the angle of repose will cause subsidence.

#### REMEDIATION

Where erosion has occurred that has washed away soil adjacent to footings, soil of the same classification should be introduced and compacted to the same density. Where footings have been undermined, augmentation or other specialist work may be required. Remediation of footings and foundations is generally the realm of a specialist consultant.

Where isolated footings rise and fall because of swell/shrink effect, the home owner may be tempted to alleviate floor bounce by filling the gap that has appeared between the bearer and the pier with blocking. The danger here is that when the next swell segment of the cycle occurs, the extra blocking will push the floor up into an accentuated dome and may also cause local shear failure in the soil. If it is necessary to use blocking, it should be by a pair of fine wedges and monitoring should be carried out fortnightly.



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LOCATION ID: 1 **DATE:** 18/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 2

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PLANT: Truck Mounted Drill Rig

**METHOD:** Solid flight auger to 3.45m, then NMLC coring to 10m depth **REMARKS**:

**OPERATOR:** Ground Test CASING: HQ to 3.5m

LOGGED: Chaplin



#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.8 AHD COORDINATE: E:303147.5, N:6430358.0 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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						SOIL					ROC	к							
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	ML M M VH STRENGTH	RECOVERY (%)	RQD	*** FRACTURE **** SPACING ************************************	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	170	6 _	[CONT] SANDSTONE: pale brown; with orange brown iron staining				H X	HW KW		VL to L SEAM	100	82	554m; 554m; Clay, R 5576-5.	F JT/50°, PR, F 82m: CS 15m: FC			- · ·	⊧ PLT : PLT	
	169	- -					н	ΗW		u to M	100	28	631m PR, Fe 633m PR, Fe 637m Clay, R 640m Fe, RF 654m Fe, RF 660m UN, Fe	JT, 50° /55°, ,RF JT, 50° /55°, ,RF P, SH, PR, F P, SH, PR, JT/10°, UN, JT, 70° /75°, ,RF			- · ·	PLT :	PL(A)=0.39MPa ∖PL(D)=0.33MPa
	-	7					×	KW HW	7.00 - 7.37 - 7.43 - 7.62	VL SEAM VL	100	41	687m Fe,RF 674-7, 707m RF 720m Clay,R 728m RF 737-7, 7377, 748m RF	JT/45°, PR, 00m: FC P, SH, PR, F JT/45°, PR, JT/45°, PR, JT/30°, PR, 43m: CS JT/50°, PR,			- 7 -	PLT	PL(A)=0.16MPa
	168	8 _					M	w w	- <b>7.74</b> - 8.10 8.25 - 8.31	M			7,49m: RF 7,62-7. – 8,00m: RF	JT/50°, PR, 74m: CS JT/10° P, SH, PR,			- · · ·	PLT PLT	PL(D)=0.32MPa PL(A)=0.32MPa PL(A)=0.47MPa PL(D)=0.26MPa
	167	9 _					F	FR		н	100	100			UCS			PLT PLT	PL(D)=1.4MPa PL(A)=1.6MPa
	166	- - 10.00	Borehole discontinued at 10.00m															+	
		- - - -	depth. Limit of investigation.														- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	+ + + + + + + +	
NOTE	S: #)S	soil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. (*)Consis	tency/Rel	ative der	nsity shadin	g is for vi	isual r	eferenc	e only - no c	correlatio	n betwe	een cohesive and granula	r materials is	implied.				
	NT	Tr	uck Mounted Drill Pig									· C	ound Test					Cha	alin

METHOD: Solid flight auger to 3.45m, then NMLC coring to 10m depth CASING: HQ to 3.5m REMARKS:

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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 174.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:303202.2, N:6430360.5 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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0.03 	GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)	DENSITY.(1) D	MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)			RECOVERY 80	RQD		## SPACING # (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	түре	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
2       1       1.30m: Increase in drill       1 </td <td>ree groundwater observed</td> <td>174</td> <td>0.03</td> <td>TOPSOIL, silt and organics, dry Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown mottled grey; medium plasticity; fine to medium sand; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular gravel.</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>131,</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>_</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td><u> </u></td> <td>U50</td> <td>-</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	ree groundwater observed	174	0.03	TOPSOIL, silt and organics, dry Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown mottled grey; medium plasticity; fine to medium sand; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular gravel.							131,			_				<u> </u>	U50	-			
C       1.93m: increase in drill resistance indicative of rock       200       1.40       PP         2100       SANDSTONE: pale brown with me to coarse graned, pebby       100	No fi		1 -			RS possibly XWM	H to Fr	w <pl< td=""><td>-</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>SPT</td><td></td><td>- 0.75 -  - 1.00 - </td><td>SPT</td><td>—&gt;400kPa - 9,12,19 N=31</td></pl<>	-										SPT		- 0.75 -  - 1.00 - 	SPT	—>400kPa - 9,12,19 N=31
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3     3     -     3     - <td></td> <td>172</td> <td>2.05</td> <td>SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>HW HW XW HW</td> <td>- 2.05 - 2.19 - 2.49 - 2.55</td> <td></td> <td>i u to M EAM</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td><u> </u></td> <td></td> <td>2.08m: J Fe, RF 2.10-2.1 2.20m: F Fe, RF 2.30m: F Fe, RF 2.35-2.3 2.41m: F Fe, RF 2.49-2.5</td> <td>T/45°, PR, 2m: CS P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, 8m: FC P, SH, PR, 5m: CS</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>  </td> <td>PLT : PLT</td> <td>PL(A)=0.18MPa PL(D)=0.61MPa</td>		172	2.05	SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly					HW HW XW HW	- 2.05 - 2.19 - 2.49 - 2.55		i u to M EAM			<u> </u>		2.08m: J Fe, RF 2.10-2.1 2.20m: F Fe, RF 2.30m: F Fe, RF 2.35-2.3 2.41m: F Fe, RF 2.49-2.5	T/45°, PR, 2m: CS P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, 8m: FC P, SH, PR, 5m: CS			  	PLT : PLT	PL(A)=0.18MPa PL(D)=0.61MPa
E     100     67       HW     0       W     0       MW     0 <t< td=""><td></td><td>• • • •</td><td>3 -</td><td>-</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>2.80 -</td><td>4</td><td>to M</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>2.80m: F TI Fe, RI 322m: F Fe, RF</td><td>P, SH, PR, F P, SH, PR,</td><td></td><td></td><td> - 3 - </td><td>PLT : PLT</td><td>PL(D)=0.26MPa PL(A)=0.44MPa</td></t<>		• • • •	3 -	-						2.80 -	4	to M					2.80m: F TI Fe, RI 322m: F Fe, RF	P, SH, PR, F P, SH, PR,			 - 3 - 	PLT : PLT	PL(D)=0.26MPa PL(A)=0.44MPa
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P       Fe, RF       PLT       PL(A)=1.2MPa         472m; JT/10°, PR,       PLT       PLT       PL(D)=0.85MPa         5       -       -       5       -         100       97       -       5       -         NOTES: @Soil orgin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. <sup>(7)</sup> Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual reference only - no correlation between cohesive and granular materials is implied.       -			4 -						HW to MW		o	м					4.08m: F Fe, RF 4.54m: J	P, SH, PR,			4 	PLT	PL(D)=0.34MPa PL(A)=0.64MPa
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METHOD: Solid flight auger to 2.05m, then NMLC coring to 10m depth CASING: HQ to 2m **REMARKS:** 

**OPERATOR:** Ground Test



### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 174.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:303202.2, N:6430360.5 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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						SOIL						ROC	K							
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	165		[CONT] SANDSTONE: pale					нw	5:53 -		L			- 5.54m: RF	P/10°, PR,					
			staining, fine to coarse grained;					XW	<b>5.67</b> - 5.76		L			567-5.	76m: CS				+	
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	-	6						MVV	6.09					6.00m:	P, SH, PR,			_ 6 _	1	
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	168	-	-																+	
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	67	-	+							0	•			7.53m:	JT/35°, PR,		_	- 7.52 =	PLT	PL(D)=0.47MPa
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	165	-																	PLT	-PL(D)=1.3MPa
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		10.00	Borehole discontinued at 10.00m															_ 10 _		
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METHOD: Solid flight auger to 2.05m, then NMLC coring to 10m depth CASING: HQ to 2m REMARKS:



#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

### **BOREHOLE LOG**

CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:303262.7, N:6430363.5 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 3 DATE: 21/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1





### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 176.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:303317.6, N:6430366.0 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 4 DATE: 21/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL DENSITY.(\*) STRENGTH DEFECTS & REMARKS RESULTS GROUNDWATER SAMPLE REMARKS **TYPE** RECOVERY MOISTURE DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND NTERVAL GRAPHIC **ORIGIN**(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ RQD OF RL (m) % STRATA 0.03 No free groundwater observed TOPSOIL, silt and organics, dry Sandy CLAY (CI), trace gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; fine to coarse, rounded to sub-0.50 rounded gravel. 176 U50 PP ->400kPa 0.68 -1.00 1 SPT SPT 16.23.23 N=46 >400kPa 1.45 PP 175 2 2 w<PL н RS 2.50 174 SPT SPT 16 23 24 N=47 >400kPa 2.95 PP 3 173 4 4.00 SPT SPT 15,25/140 >400kPa PF 4.60m: increase in drill resistance indicative of rock 172 4 66 SANDSTONE: brown with 4.70-4.75m: FC orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly 4.81-4.88m: FC -PL(D)=3.5MPa PLT НW VH 100 34 4.94-5.00m: FC 5 5.00 UCS 521m: JT/15°, PR, Fe.RF 5.22 5.27 CORE LOSS 0 0 Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. ()Consistency/Relative density shading is fo granular materials is implie NOTES PLANT: Truck Mounted Drill Rig **OPERATOR:** Ground Test LOGGED: Chaplin

METHOD: Solid flight auger to 4.66m, then NMLC coring to 10m depth **REMARKS:** 

CASING: HQ to 4.5m



CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

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**BOREHOLE LOG** SURFACE LEVEL: 176.5 AHD

DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56

LOCATION ID: 4 COORDINATE: E:303317.6, N:6430366.0 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATE: 21/09/23 SHEET: 2 of 2

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GROUNDWATER al. (m) DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)	CONSIS. <sup>(7)</sup> S	MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	STRENGTH	RECOVERY 008	RQD	#FRACTURE Stacing (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	түре	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
5.94 - 6.05 - 6.18 - 7	[CONT] CORE LOSS SANDSTONE: brown with orange brown iron staining, CORE LOSS SANDSTONE: brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly						- 5.96 - - 6.05 - - 6.18 -	Н	94	0		_ 641m. F Fe, RF _ 669m. F TI Fe, RF _ 748m. J _ Fe, RF	, SH, PR, , SH, PR, ; T/10°, PR,	<b>F</b>			PLT = PLT = PLT = PLT =	PL(D)=2.9MPa ¬PL(A)=2.3MPa ¬PL(A)=1.6MPa ¬PL(A)=1.6MPa ¬PL(A)=1.6MPa
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METHOD: Solid flight auger to 4.66m, then NMLC coring to 10m depth CASING: HQ to 4.5m REMARKS:

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 CLIENT:
 Ausgrid

 PROJECT:
 Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

 LOCATION:
 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

### BOREHOLE LOG

SURFACE LEVEL: 178.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:303155.7, N:6430320.1 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 5 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATE: 19/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1





### BOREHOLE LOG

CLIENT:

PROJECT:

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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 179.6 AHD COORDINATE: E:303197.1, N:6430318.1 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 6 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATE: 20/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL DENSITY.(\*) Hite Fracture Strate Spacing Strate (m) STRENGTH DEFECTS & REMARKS RESULTS GROUNDWATER SAMPLE REMARKS **TYPE** RECOVERY MOISTURE DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND NTERVAL GRAPHIC **ORIGIN**(#) WEATH. REMARKS DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ RQD OF RL (m) % STRATA 0.03 No free groundwater observed TOPSOIL, silt and organics, dry Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; fine to coarse, rounded to sub-0.50 rounded gravel. 179 U50 0.81 1 1.00 SPT 7.9.11 N=20 SPT >400kPa 1.45 PP 178 NA w<PL RS 2 2 2.50 177 SPT SPT 6.23.25/110 ->400kPa 2.91 PP 3 3 3.80m: increase in drill 176 resistance indicative of rock 3.80 Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Combined Log - 16/10/2023 11:09:57 AM NA w<PL XWM orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; SPT 4.00 25/10 4.02 fine to coarse, rounded to sub-PLT -PL(A)=0.08MPa нw VL rounded gravel. PL(D)=0.1MPa PLT SANDSTONE: pale brown with 4.27 XW 4 27-4.33m; CS orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly 4.33 4.51-4.52m: P/10° PR, RF 4.60m: P, SH, PR, 175 -PL(A)=0.4MPa RF PLT PL(D)=0.41MPa PLT 100 84 HW 4.93m: JT/10°, PR. RF 5 5 5.46m: P, SH, PR Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. ("Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual reference." and granular materials is impli NOTES: OPERATOR: Ground Test PLANT: Truck Mounted Drill Rig LOGGED: Chaplin METHOD: CASING: HQ to 4m **REMARKS:** 



#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 179.6 AHD COORDINATE: E:303197.1, N:6430318.1 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	۲ ۸۲	TRENGTH STRENGTH	RECOVERY 80	RQD	Bracture     Bracture     Bracture     Bracing     (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	түре	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	174	6 _	[CONT] SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly					HW			М	100	84		RF 5.53m: J RF 5.73m: J RF 5.89m: J RF	T/10°, PR, T/10°, PR, T/10°, PR,	UCS		  - 6.00 - 	PLT PLT	∑,PL(D)=0.34MPa PL(A)=0.4MPa
	173	-						xw	- 6.42 - - 6.76 -		•	-			6.42-6.7	6m: CS			_ 6.28 _   	PLT <u>-</u> PLT	—PL(D)=0.46MPa ∖PL(A)=0.43MPa
	-	7 _	7.09m-10.00m: grey in colour					MW SW	- 7.09		-	100	84		7.00m: J Fe, RF	T/10°, PR,			- 7 <u>-</u> - 7 - 	- PLT - PLT	⊤PL(A)=0.76MPa ⊤PL(D)=0.57MPa
	172	8 -						MW	- 7.68		•								   	E PLT <u>=</u> PLT	—PL(A)=0.88MPa √PL(D)=0.98MPa
	14	- - - -	-						- 8.18		м								  	<u>PLT =</u> PLT <u>=</u> PLT <u>=</u> PLT <u>=</u>	
	-	9						FR				100	100		8.90m: F RF 9.17m: J RF	P, SH, PR, T/55°, PR,			 - 9 _  		
D	170	10.00									•				948m: F RF	P, SH, PR,			  	= PLT = PLT	PL(A)=0.66MPa PL(D)=0.66MPa
			Borehole discontinued at 10.00m depth. Limit of investigation.																	- - - - - -	
		Soil orig : Tr DD: RKS·	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. <sup>(*)</sup> Consi "uck Mounted Drill Rig	stency/Rela	ative de	ensity sha	ding is f	or visual	referend	OP CA	Iy - no c PERA SIN	TOR G: H	n betwe : Gr Q to /	ound Tes 4m	ind granular St	materials is	implied.	LOG	GED:	Chap	blin



### **BOREHOLE LOG**

CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 178.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:303263.5, N:6430317.4 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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PLL / Sandy CLAY (C), with gravel crange brown, mediam plasticit, fine to coarse, sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel.     FILL / NA     wePL       0.50     FILL / Clayey Gravelly SILT (ML), with sand: dark fragments, trace possible ash.     FILL / NA     wePL       1.00     FILL / Sity GRAVEL (GM): dark grey; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.     FILL / NA     wePL       1.00     FILL / Clayey Gravelly SILT (ML), with sand: dark from to coarse, angular to sub-angular grave, fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular grave, fine to coarse, angular to sub-fragments, trace possible ash.     FILL / NA     wePL       1.00     FILL / Sity GRAVEL (GM): dark grey; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.     FILL / NA     D       72     The fill / Clayey Gravelly SILT (ML), with sand: dark from to coarse, angular to sub-fragments, trace possible ash.     FILL / Clayey Gravelly SILT (ML), with sand: dark from to coarse, angular to sub-fragments, trace possible ash.     FILL / NA     D       74     3     Setty CLAY (C), with gravel crange brown.     FILL / NA     WePL       320     Setty CLAY (C), with gravel crange brown.     FILL / NA     WePL       330     Setty CLAY (C), with gravel crange brown.     FILL / NA     WePL       340     Setty CLAY (C), with gravel crange brown.     YUL NA       340     FILL / Clayey Gravelly SILT (ML).     YUL NA       340     Setty CLAY (C), with gravel crange brown.       340     FILL / Clayey Gravelly SIL	FLL / Standy CLAW (CI), with gravet orange brown: medium paticity, fine to coarse, angular to sub- angular gravet, fine to coarse, angular to sub- angular gravet, fine to coarse, angular to sub- angular gravet, fine to coarse, angular to sub- angular gravet, fine to coarse, angular to sub- angular gravet, fine to coarse, angular to sub- angular gravet, fine to coarse sand, trace coal fill. / Clayery Canvelly SLT (ML), with sand, dark, angular gravet, fine to coarse sand, trace coal figurents, trace possible ash.     FLL / NA     w-PL       FLL / Sity QRAVEL (CM): dark grav; trace coal figurents, trace possible ash.     FLL / NA     w-PL       FLL / Sity QRAVEL (CM): dark grav; trace coal figurents, trace possible ash.     FLL NA     D       FLL / Sity QRAVEL (CM): dark grav; trace coal figurents, trace possible ash.     FLL NA     D       FL / Sity QRAVEL (CM): dark grav; trace coal figurents, trace possible ash.     FLL NA     D       FL / Sity QRAVEL (CM): dark grav; trace coal figurents, trace possible ash.     FLL NA     D       FL / Sity QRAVEL (CM): dark grav; trace coal figurents, trace possible ash.     FLL NA     W-PL       Site A     PEBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown: monted gravet.     NA     W-PL       PEBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown: monted gravet.     VL     NA       Site A     Borehole discontinued at 4.0 tm depth.       To bit refusal.	RL (m) DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>#)</sup>	CONSIS. <sup>(*)</sup>	MOISTURE	REMARKS	түре	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
0.50       FILL / Clayey Gravely SILT (ML), with sand: dark thrown, low plasticity, fine to coarse, angular to sub- meginer gravel, fi	0.50       Fill / Clappy Growthy Silt 7 (ML) with sand dark and dark and dark on particip fire to coarse and, trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL / Clappy Growthy Silt 7 (ML) with sand dark on the sub-angular gravel, fire to coarse and, trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL / NA       w oPL         1.20       FILL / Clappy Growthy Silt 7 (ML) with sand dark on the sub-angular gravel, fire to coarse and, trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL / NA       D       0.00         2       2.00       FILL / Clappy Growthy Silt 7 (ML) with sand dark on the sub-angular gravel, fire to coarse and, trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL / NA       D       0       1.00         2       2.00       FILL / Clappy Growthy Silt 7 (ML) with sand dark on the sub-angular gravel, fire to coarse and, trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL NA       D       0       1.00         2       2.00       FILL / Clappy Growthy Silt 7 (ML) with sand dark on the sub-angular gravel, fire to coarse and, trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL NA       VL       VL         3.30       Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel orange brown: medium plasticity, fire to coarse, rounded to sub-angular gravel.       XVM       H       w-PL         3.45m: increase in drill resistance indicative of rock       VL       NA       SPI       4.00       2010         2       4.01       Berehole discontinued at 4.01m depth.       VL       NA		FILL / Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; fine to coarse, sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel.		FILL	NA	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>U50</td><td></td><td>- 0.05 -</td><td>- - -</td><td></td></pl<>		U50		- 0.05 -	- - -	
120       FILL / Silty GRAVEL (GM): dark grey; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL / NA       D       D       1.20       FILL / Clayey Gravely SILT (ML), with sand: dark brown; fire to coarse sand; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL / Clayey Gravely SILT (ML), with sand: dark brown; fire to coarse sand; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL / NA       D       D       1.20       FILL / Clayey Gravely SILT (ML), with sand: dark brown; fire to coarse sand; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.         5       3.20       Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fire to coarse, rounded to sub-rounded gravel.       X/M       H       w <pl< td="">         3.46       FEBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown; medium plasticity; fire to coarse, rounded to sub-rounded gravel.       X/M       H       w<pl< td="">         3.46       FEBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown; medium plasticity; fire to coarse, rounded to sub-rounded gravel.       VL       NA       VL       NA         5       4.01       Borehole discontinued at 4.01m depth.       VL       NA       EPFT       4.00       25/10</pl<></pl<>	120       FILL / Sity GRAVEL (GM): dark grey; trace coal         Figments, trace possible ash.       FILL NA         FiLL / Clayey Gravely SILT (ML), with sand: dark grey; trace coal       FILL NA         FILL / Clayey Gravely SILT (ML), with sand: dark grey; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL NA         FILL / Clayey Gravely SILT (ML), with sand: dark grey; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL NA         Sandy CLAY (Cl), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse, rounded to submediate gravel; fine gravel; fine gravel;	0.50	FILL / Clayey Gravelly SILT (ML), with sand: dark brown; low plasticity; fine to coarse, angular to sub- angular gravel; fine to coarse sand; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.	x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x x	FILL	NA	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>D</td><td></td><td>- 0.73 - - 0.80 - - 1.00 -</td><td>PP -</td><td>—&gt;400kPa</td></pl<>		D		- 0.73 - - 0.80 - - 1.00 -	PP -	—>400kPa
Fill       ////////////////////////////////////	P       2.00       FILL / Clayey Gravely SILT (ML), with sand: dark brown; low plasticity; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular gravel; fine to coarse, sand; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL / Clayey Gravely SILT (ML), with sand: dark brown; low plasticity; fine to coarse, and; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.       FILL / NA       w <pl< td="">         PC       3       FILL / NA       w<pl< td="">       SPT       2.50         3.20       Sandy CLAY (Cl), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse, rounded to sub-rounded gravel.       XWM       H       w<pl< td="">         3.46       PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown: additionation in cloative of rock       VL       NA       VL       NA         PC       4.01       Borehole discontinued at 4.01m depth.       To bit refusal.       VL       NA       VL       NA</pl<></pl<></pl<>	1.20	FILL / Silty GRAVEL (GM): dark grey; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.	2 8 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0 5 0	FILL	NA	D		D		- 1.26 - - 1.26 - - 1.50 - 	. PP	>400kPa
3       3       3.20       Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse, rounded to sub-rounded gravel.       XWM       H       w <pl< td="">         3.45       PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown       XWM       H       w<pl< td="">         3.45       PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown       XWM       H       w<pl< td="">         3.45       PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown       XWM       H       w<pl< td="">         3.45       PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown       XWM       H       w<pl< td="">         3.45       PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown       XWM       H       w<pl< td="">         3.45       Demonstrating the second sec</pl<></pl<></pl<></pl<></pl<></pl<>	12       3         3.20       Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse, rounded to sub- rounded gravel.         3.45       PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown         3.45       PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown         3.45       Borehole discontinued at 4.01m depth.         TC       4.01         Borehole discontinued at 4.01m depth.         TC bit refusal.	<sup>9</sup> / <sub>1</sub> 2.00	FILL / Clayey Gravelly SILT (ML), with sand: dark brown; low plasticity; fine to coarse, angular to sub- angular gravel; fine to coarse sand; trace coal fragments, trace possible ash.		FILL	NA	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>SPT</td><td></td><td>- 2 -            </td><td>SPT</td><td>16.18,18 N=32</td></pl<>		SPT		- 2 -            	SPT	16.18,18 N=32
3.45 PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown 3.45m: increase in drill resistance indicative of rock VL NA Borehole discontinued at 4.01m depth. TC bit refusal.	3.45     PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown     XWM     H     w <pl< td="">       3.45     PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown     VL     NA       3.45m: increase in drill resistance indicative of rock     VL     NA       Borehole discontinued at 4.01m depth.     VL     NA</pl<>	<sup>12</sup> 3 3.20	Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown;								- 2.95 - - 3 -		
4.01 Borehole discontinued at 4.01m depth. TC bit refusal.	4.01 Borehole discontinued at 4.01m depth. TC bit refusal.	3.45	rounded gravel. PEBBLY SANDSTONE: orange brown 3.45m: increase in drill resistance indicative of rock		XWM	H VL	w <pl NA</pl 				 		
		4.01	Borehole discontinued at 4.01m depth. TC bit refusal.						SPT		 = 4.00 = 		-25/10



### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 179.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:303323.0, N:6430306.4 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---° LOCATION ID: 8 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATE: 19/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1





**REMARKS:** 

CLIENT: Ausgrid

PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

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## **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 183.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:303203.9, N:6430265.9 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 10 DATE: 22/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 2

			CO	NDITIO	NS E	NCO	UNT		)						SA	MPLI	E			TESTING
GROUNDWATER	tL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	NEATH.	DEPTH (m)	STRENGTH	RECOVERY 20 %)	20D	#FRACTURE SPACING (m)	DEFECTS &	SAMPLE REMARKS	ГҮРЕ	NTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	IEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
No free groundwater observed G	183	1 -	TOPSOIL, silt and organics, dry Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse, rounded to sub-rounded gravel.		RS	н	w <pl< td=""><td>&gt;</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td><u><u>or</u></u></td><td>SPT</td><td></td><td></td><td>SPT</td><td>2,30 ∖&gt;400kPa</td></pl<>	>							<u><u>or</u></u>	SPT			SPT	2,30 ∖>400kPa
	182	1.85 2.00	CORE LOSS SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly					HW XW	- 1.85 - - 2.00 - - 2.22 -	VL				2.00-2.2	2m: FC			- 2 -	- PLT -	PL(I)=0.07MPa
	181	3 -						HW XW HW XW HW XW HW XW HW	- 2.36 - - 2.44 - - 2.81 - - 2.86 - - 2.92 - - 2.96 - - 3.03 - - 3.03 - - 3.09 - - 3.20 - - 3.24 -	VL SOIL SEAM VL SEAM VL SEAM VL SEAM VL SEAM	93	36		<ul> <li>&gt; 281-2.81</li> <li>&gt; 292-2.94</li> <li>&gt; 301-3.03</li> <li>&gt; 309-3.13</li> <li>&gt; 320-3.24</li> </ul>	ām: CS ām: CS 3m: CS 3m: CS 4m: CS				PLT PLT PLT	PL(D)=0.06MPa
8 11:09:04 AM	180	4 -	· · · ·					HW HW	= 3:33 = - 3:37 - - 3:42 - = 3:58 =					> 331-3.3 > 337-3.4 > 358-3.6 - 388m: P Fe, RF	3m: CS 2m: CS 0m: CS 9, SH, PR,				PLT PLT	—PL(D)=0.11MPa √PL(A)=0.12MPa
DRE-GS by Geroc - Combined Log - 16/10/202:	179	-						xw HW	4.32 <b>4.44</b> <b>4.80</b> <b>5.01</b>	SEAM	100	84		4.40m: P Fe, RF 4.44-4.80 5.00m: P Fe, RF	9, SH, PR, Dm: CS 9, SH, PR,				PLT	PL(A)=0.33MPa PL(D)=0.27MPa PL(D)=0.27MPa PL(A)=0.25MPa
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PLANT: Truck Mounted Drill Rig

METHOD: Solid flight auger to 1.85m, then NMLC to 10m depth **REMARKS**:

**OPERATOR:** Ground Test CASING: HQ to 1.85m

LOGGED: Chaplin



CLIENT:

#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 183.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:303203.9, N:6430265.9 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 10 DATE: 22/09/23 SHEET: 2 of 2

			COM	NDITIC	ONS	ENC		JNT	EREI	D			PO	`K				SA	MPLI	E	-		TESTING
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)	CONSIS.	DENSITY.(")	MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	۲ ۸۲	± STRENGTH	RECOVERY 2	RQD		(m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULT AND REMARK
			[CONT] SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained:			1	1		sw	- 5.68	4	•				ļ	5.64m: J UN, Fe, F	T, 15° /20°, RF				PLT : PLT	PL(D)=0.47M PL(A)=0.43M
	1		pebbly																				
		6 -	-						MW							h	6.02m: P Fe, RF	, SH, UN,			_ 6 _ -		
	-		•							6.28												-	
	•	-	•										100	84									
	177		-								0										-	PLT	PL(D)=0.36
		7	-																		- 7 -	PLT	\PL(A)=0.58M
	-	•	-						FR		d						_ 7.17m: J PR, RF	T, 10° /15°,				= = PLT -	
			-												- 11 1							- PLT	\PL(D)=0.27I
		-	-																			-	
	176		- - -							- 7.85		м					7.05	-			-	1	
	•	8 -	-						MW	- 8.10							795m: J Fe, RF 802m: P Fe, RF	, SH, PR,			_ 8 _	1	
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	•	-	-																			-	
	175		*								0		100	96							-		PL(A)=0.58
		9 -	-																		- 9 -	-	ΥFL(D)=0.20
	-		-						FR													-	
			-																				
	4	-	- - -																				
	17		-																			PLT	
		10.00	Borehole discontinued at 10.00m depth.																		10 -		VPL(D)=0.7M
		•	Limit of investigation.																		- ·	+	
		-	+																			1	
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	<b>.</b> #*				-4:														iner *				
A	s: @S	soil orig	gin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. (")Consi:	stency/Re	iative d	ensity	shad	ing is f	or visual	referen		PER	correlatio	n betwe	en cohe	I Tes	ind granular St	materials is	Implied.	LOG	GED:	Cha	olin

**METHOD:** Solid flight auger to 1.85m, then NMLC to 10m depth **REMARKS:** 

CASING: HQ to 1.85m

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### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 183.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:303263.9, N:6430265.4 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 11 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATE: 25/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL DENSITY.(\*) Hite Fracture Strate Spacing Strate (m) STRENGTH DEFECTS & REMARKS RESULTS GROUNDWATER SAMPLE REMARKS **TYPE** RECOVERY MOISTURE Ē DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) AND NTERVAL GRAPHIC **ORIGIN**(#) WEATH. DEPTH ( REMARKS DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ RQD OF RL (m) % STRATA 0.03 No free groundwater observed TOPSOIL, silt and organics, dry Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; fine to coarse, rounded to subrounded gravel. 183 1 1.00 w<PL SPT SPT 25/140 Н RS ~>400kPa 1.14 PP 182 2.10m: increase in drilling 2 2 resistance indicative of rock 2.16 2.16 SANDSTONE: pale brown with нw VL orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly <u>2:39</u> 2.39-2.42m: CS PLT НW VL 2.61 -20 xw # # 2.61-2.77m: CS 2.77 PLT HW -PL(A)=0.13MPa L PL(D)=0.05MPa to PLT MW 2.98 3 3 VL 3.05 XW > 3.05-3.13m: CS 5 - 3.13 55 100 MW L -PL(D)=0.17MPa PLT xw 3.51 3.55 > 3.51-3.55m: CS PL(A)=0.27MPa PLT -00 u 3.95m: JT/45°, PR, Fe, RF 4 4 PI T -PL(A)=0.22MPa \PL(D)=0.21MPa PLT 4.18 VL 4.32 4.41m: P, SH, PR, RF нw 179 –PL(A)=0.4MPa PL(D)=0.45MPa PLT PLT 100 100 5 5 524m: JT/45°, CU, Fe. RF 5.41m: JT/80°, PR, TI Fe, RF Soil origin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. ()Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual reference granular materials is impli NOTES: LOGGED: Chaplin PLANT: Truck Mounted Drill Rig **OPERATOR:** Ground Test METHOD: CASING: HQ to 2m **REMARKS:** 



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CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

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### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 183.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:303263.9, N:6430265.4 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 11 DATE: 25/09/23 SHEET: 2 of 2

			CON		NS	ENCO	UNT	ERE	D					SA	MPL	E	-		TESTING
						SOIL	-			1	RO	CK							
GROUNDWALER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	M M STRENGTH		RQD	BRACTURE Stracture Stracture Stracture (m) Defects & Defects &	REMARNS SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	178	6 _	[CONT] SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly					нw	5.91 -	H			564 TIF 591 Fe,	Im: JT/85°, PR, `e, RF Im: JT/15°, PR, RF			- - - - 6 -	PLT PLT	PL(D)=1.9MPa PL(A)=1.6MPa
	-		• • •						6.35 -	M		100	637 Fe,	7m: P, SH, PR, RF			- - - -	PLT FPLT	PL(D)=0.72MPa PL(A)=0.54MPa
	177	7	-							0							- - - 7 -	PLT PLT	PL(A)=2.2MPa PL(D)=1MPa
	176	_								H			=				- - 	PLT PLT	PL(D)=1.8MPa PL(A)=1.4MPa
		8	- - - -					HW	8 23 -	o	100	100					- - - 8 - -	PLT PLT	PL(A)=1.7MPa PL(D)=1MPa
	175	-	- - - -					MVV	8.39 -	VH			-				- - 	- PLT	PL(D)=5.5MPa
		9 _	• • •							н	100	100					- - - 9 - -	-	
	174	- - - -	-										952 TIF	2m: JT/45°, PR, e, RF			 		
	•	10.00	Borebole discontinued at 10 00m							o							- 10 -	- PLT	PL(D)=1.2MPa
		-	depth. Limit of invesitgation.														- - - -	+ + + +	
																	-	+	
		: Tr D:	nuck Mounted Drill Rig	siency/Kel	auve d	ensity sha	ung is f	ur visua	reieren	OPER CASIN	ATOI	R: G	round Test 2m	iuiar materials i	s implied	LOG	GED:	Cha	plin



### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 183.3 AHD COORDINATE: E:303325.8, N:6430257.4 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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#### **BOREHOLE LOG** SURFACE LEVEL: 185.1 AHD COORDINATE: E:303325.7, N:6430211.1 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56

DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 13 DATE: 26/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 2

			CO	NDITIO	NS E	NCO	UNTI	EREL	כ		ROO	ĸ			SAI	MPLE	=			TESTING
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)		RECOVERY (%)	RQD	etter SPACING SPACING (m) DEFECTS &	REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
No free groundwater observed	185	0.03	TOPSOIL, silt and organics, dry Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse, rounded to sub-rounded gravel.			н	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>U50 ·</td><td><math>\langle</math></td><td></td><td>- PP -</td><td>—&gt;400kPa</td></pl<>									U50 ·	$\langle$		- PP -	—>400kPa
	184	1 -	- - - - - - -			VSt	w=PL									SPT		- 1.00 -   1.45 - 	SPT	4,6,8 N=12 —320-360kPa
	183	2 -			RS												_	 - 2    		
	182	3 -				н	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>SPT</td><td></td><td> - 2.90 - 3 -  </td><td>PP</td><td>9,20,25/100 &gt;400kPa</td></pl<>									SPT		 - 2.90 - 3 -  	PP	9,20,25/100 >400kPa
0/2023 11:09:19 AM	181	3.50 4 -	SANDSTONE: extremely weathered to highly weathered, very low strength 3.50m: increase in drill resistance indicative of rock			NA	NA								-	SPT	$\langle$		SPT	25/140
/ Geroc - Combined Log - 16/1	• • • •	4.30	SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly				1	HW HW XW HW XW HW	4.39 - 4.39 - 4.53 - 4.69 - 4.75 - 4.81 -	VL SEAM VL SEAM VL	100	0		4 33-4.35m: 4 39-4.53m: 4 58m: P, Si Clay, SM 4 69-4.75m:	CS CS H, PR, CS			  	- PLT -	— PL(A)=0.09MPa
Generated with CORE-GS by	180	5 -						хw нw	- 5.07 -	SEAM VL	100	12	4 	4 81-5.07m: 5 23m: JT/1 Fe, SM 5 39-5.41m:	CS 5°, PR, FC			_ 5 _	PLT = PLT	
	ANT	<sup>Soil oriç</sup> : Tr	gin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. <sup>(*)</sup> Consi Fuck Mounted Drill Rig	stency/Rela	tive der	nsity sha	ding is fo	or visual	referen			Gr	en cohesive and g ound Test 4.1m	granular ma	terials is i	mplied.	OGO	GED:	Chap	blin



CASING: HQ to 4.1m



#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

### **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 185.1 AHD COORDINATE: E:303325.7, N:6430211.1 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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				CON	DITIO	NS	ENCO	UNT	ERE	D						SA	MPLI	E			TESTING
							SOIL	-		1		ROO	СК	1	1						
GROUNDWATER		RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN(#)		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)		RECOVERY	RQD	ERACTURE     SPACING     (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
		6	- - -	[CONT] SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly							•				- 5.88m: F Fe, RF	P, SH, PR,				PLT PLT	—PL(D)=0.19MPa ∽PL(A)=0.09MPa
		-	-								o ∙VL	100	12		> 623-6.2	5m: FC			-	PLT PLT	PL(A)=0.27MPa │PL(D)=0.08MPa
	-		-							6.02	D				6.83m: F Fe, RF	P, SH, PR,			-	PLT	—PL(D)=0.07MPa
	4	7	-							0.92 -	0			-	7.08m: F Fe, RF 7.13m: F Fe, RF 7.22m: J PR, Fe, I 7.36m: J TI Fe, RF	P, SH, PR, P, SH, PR, IT, 55° /60°, RF T/80°, PR, F			_ 7 _	PLT PLT	PL(D)=0.1MPa PL(A)=0.23MPa
	-		-						HW		P				7.42m: F RF 7.46m: F RF 7.60-7.6	9, SH, PR, 9, SH, PR, 5m: FC, Fe			 - -	PLT	PL(D)=0.35MPa PL(A)=0.21MPa
	-	177	3								U			5	7.98m: J TI Clay, 8.04m: J Fe, RF	T/60°, PR, SM T/10°, PR,			- 8 - - - - 	+ + + + +	
		c	-								8	100	91		8.70m: J TI, RF, H	T/80°, PR, IE			-	PLT PLT	PL(A)=0.15MPa PL(D)=0.14MPa
23 11:09:19 AM		1/6	-								•				921m: F Fe, RF 929m: J PR, TI F 945m: F Fe, RF	P, SH, PR IT, 50° /55°, e, SM, HE P, SH, PR,				‡ PLT - PLT	←PL(A)=0.19MPa PL(D)=0.14MPa
S by Geroc - Combined Log - 16/10/20		10.	-00.	Borehole discontinued at 10.00m depth. Limit of investigation.											9.86m: F Fe, RF	P, SH, PR,					
Generated with CORE-G:																			 - - -		
PL ME RE	AN ETH	IT: IOD	Tru	unies otherwise stated. <sup>(</sup> )Consi uck Mounted Drill Rig	siency/Rela	auve d	ensity sha	ung is f	or visual	referenc	OPERA CASIN	ATOR G: H	: Gr Q to	ound Te 4.1m	ano granular st	materials is i	inplied.	LOG	GED:	Cha	plin


#### CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

## **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 188.2 AHD COORDINATE: E:303255.3, N:6430213.3 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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				CO	NDITIO	NS E	NCO	UNTI	ERE	כ								SA	MPLE	E			TESTING
							SOIL						ROC	к									
	GROUNDWALER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)			RECOVERY (%)	RQD	FRACTURE	(m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	түре	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
-	ree groundwater observed	-188	.03	TOPSOIL, silt and organics, dry Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse, rounded to sub-rounded gravel.							<u> </u>								U50		- · ·	*	
	ON	187	1 _																SPT		- 0.81 -  - 1.00 -	SPT	>400kPa 12,19,17 N=36
		186	2 _			RS	н	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>- 1.45 -          </td><td>PP</td><td>—&gt;400kPa</td></pl<>													- 1.45 -          	PP	—>400kPa
	-	2.	.66 3 .07	SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained					HW XW HW	- 2.66 - - 2.86 - - 2.96 - - 3.07 -	v SE V	/L AM /L	100	0			269m: P Fe, RF 2.72-2.74 286-2.96	, SH, PR, Im: FC im: CS	SPT		- 2.50 - - 2.66 - - 2.66 - 	SPT	24,25/10 (HB)
11:09:24 AM	-	185	4	SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained						- 3.15 -							3.70m: J' Fe, RF	1/10°, PR,	UCS		- 3.40 - - 3.40 -      		
with CORE-GS by Geroc - Combined Log - 16/10/2023		183 184	5 _	5,19m-5.27m: clast					HW		1	м	97	92				Г/10°, PR, Г/10°, PR, , SH, PR,				PLT	←PL(D)=0.31MPa \PL(A)=0.5MPa
Generated	OTES	: <sup>(#)</sup> Soi	il orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. ("Cons	istency/Rela	tive der	nsity shad	ding is fo	or visual	referen	ce only	r - no c	orrelation	n betwe	en cohe	sive a	nd granular i	naterials is	implied.				

PLANT: Truck Mounted Drill Rig

**METHOD:** Solid flight auger to 2.66m, then NMLC coring to 10m depth **REMARKS**:

**OPERATOR:** Ground Test CASING: HQ to 2.66m

LOGGED: Chaplin



CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

## **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 188.2 AHD COORDINATE: E:303255.3, N:6430213.3 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 14 DATE: 26/09/23 SHEET: 2 of 2

	CON	NDITIO	NS I	ENCO	UNT	ERE	כ							SA	MPL	E			TESTING
				SOIL					R	оск									
GROUNDWATER RL (m) DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	L STRENGTH	EH RECOVERY	(%)	RQD	FRACTURE SPACING SPACING (m)	DEFECTS & REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
- 6	[CONT] SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained							M	9	97 !	92		- 575m: J Fe, RF > 581-5.8 - 630m: F Fe, RF	, 6m: FC 9, SH, PR,			- 6 -	PLT PLT PLT	PL(D)=0.95MPa PL(A)=0.92MPa PL(A)=0.97MPa PL(D)=0.94MPa
7 . 191						HW	7.69 -	0	11	00 :	96		— 678m: J TIFe, RI — 741m: F Fe, RF	T80°, PR, F, HE P, SH, PR,			- 7 - - 7 -    	- PLT -	— PL(D)=0.9MPa
8 . 99							8.05 -	H VH					0.044~	7.00% 00	UCS		- 7.96 - - 7.96 -     		PL(D)=3.1MPa PL(A)=2.7MPa PL(D)=0.42MPa PL(A)=0.37MPa
- 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1	8.81m-9.00m: clast							м	10	00 1	100		923m: J = 923m: J = 972m: J = 972m: J	T/10°, PR,			- 9 - - 9 - - ·	- - - - - -	
10.00	Borehole discontinued at 10.00m depth. Limit of investigation.																- 10	- - - - - - -	
		stency/Rela	ative de	ensity shad	ung is fo	or visual	reteren	CE only -	no correl		Cro		and granular	materials is	implied.	000	250.	Char	

METHOD: Solid flight auger to 2.66m, then NMLC coring to 10m depth CASING: HQ to 2.66m REMARKS:

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#### **BOREHOLE LOG**

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PROJECT:

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Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 188.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:303165.7, N:6430215.6 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 15 DATE: 02/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 2

CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE TESTING ROCK SOIL CONSIS.<sup>(1)</sup> DENSITY.<sup>(1)</sup> Hite Fracture Strate Spacing Strate (m) STRENGTH DEFECTS & REMARKS RESULTS GROUNDWATER SAMPLE REMARKS **TYPE** RECOVERY MOISTURE DEPTH (m) DEPTH (m) Ē AND NTERVAL GRAPHIC **ORIGIN**(#) WEATH. DEPTH REMARKS DESCRIPTION ТҮРЕ RQD OF RL (m) % STRATA 0.03 free groundwater observed TOPSOIL, silt and organics, dry Sandy CLAY (CI), with gravel: orange brown; medium plasticity; fine to coarse sand; VSt to H fine to coarse, rounded to sub--89 N<PL D 0.50 RS rounded gravel. å 1.00 1.00 Sandy CLAY, with gravel: orange brown; medium SPT 15.25/140 SPT plasticity; fine to coarse sand; >400kPa fine to coarse, rounded to sub-1.29 PP rounded gravel. 187 w<PL XWM to 2 2 -98 2.50 SPT 2.50 <u>SPT</u> 25/70 2.57 <u>PP</u> >400kPa 2.57 Ľ SANDSTONE: pale brown with 2.63-2.74m: FC orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly нw VL 2.9 3 3 XW SEAM 2.95-3.07m: CS 3.07 185 PI T -PL(A)=0.03MPa HW VL PL(D)=0.04MPa PLT 3.56-3.63m; FC 100 22 3.85m: JT x2, SV, UN, TI Clay, RF, extends from 3.63m to 4.03m Generated with CORE-GS by Geroc - Combined Log - 16/10/2023 11:09:30 AM 4 4 4.03 xw SEAM 4.03-4.31m: CS \_\_PL(A)=0.22MPa ∖PL(D)=0.25MPa PLT 184 нw Ц PLT 4.80 CORE LOSS 5 5 62 62 5.25 5.25 SANDSTONE: pale brown with ï .... orange brown iron staining, нw 5.40 fine to coarse <sup>9</sup>Soil origin is "probable" unless othe stated. (\*)Consistency/Relative density shading is for visual refer granular materials is impli NOTES OPERATOR: Ground Test LOGGED: Chaplin PLANT: Truck Mounted Drill Rig METHOD: CASING: HQ to 2.5m **REMARKS:** 

Refer to explanatory notes for symbol and abbreviation definitions



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#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

**BOREHOLE LOG** SURFACE LEVEL: 188.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:303165.7, N:6430215.6 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56

DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 15 DATE: 02/09/23 SHEET: 2 of 2

			CON	DITIO	NS E	INCO	UNT	ERE	D								SA	MPLI	E			TESTING
						SOIL				1		ROC	к		-							
	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	WEATH.	DEPTH (m)	LL VL	M STRENGTH	RECOVERY (%)	RQD	FRACTURE     SPACING     Solution	DEFECTS &	REMARKS	SAMPLE REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
			grained; pebbly					HW										UCS	K	-	-	
			+						- 5.81		м	62	62							- 5.75 -	PLT	
	ŀ	6						MW												-		VPL(D)=0.45MPa
	·	6.03 6.12	CORE LOSS	$\geq$					- 6.03 - - 6.12 -	$\geq$	$\geq$											
	•		SANDSTONE: pale brown with orange brown iron staining, fine to coarse grained; pebbly						6.21			75	0	E	6.	19-6.2 30m: 、	16m: FC JT, SV, UN,			-	+	
	182	-	6 50m: colour becomes grey												6. 	⊢, exte 26m te 35m: F ⊏	o 6.35m P, SH, PR,				-	
			0.50m. colour becomes grey													F				-		
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	-	7 -													İ					_ 7 .		
			+							•	8				ł					-	- - PLT - PLT	–PL(A)=0.31MPa PL(D)=0.4MPa
			-									100	100							_		
	181	-										100	100		l							
																				-	]	
			+																	-		
	-	8 -						FR			м									- 8 -	PLT	PL(D)=0.56MPa PL(A)=0.53MPa
			-																	-	-	
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	180	-	- - -																		PLT	<sup>∖</sup> PL(A)=0.31MPa
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		_	1																	-	]	
	-	9 -	+							8										_ 9 . -	PLT PLT	PL(A)=0.4MPa PL(D)=0.34MPa
			-									100	100							_		
	. 6		-																	-	-	
	-17	-									8				l						PLT PLT	−PL(D)=0.55MPa \PL(A)=0.51MPa
			+													97m-				-	- PLT	<sup>\</sup> PL(D)=0.5MPa
	-	10.00	-												F	e, RF	J1// U , FIX,			- 10 -	-	
			Borehole discontinued at 10.00m depth.																	-	-	
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	S: (#)	Soil ori	gin is "probable" unless otherwise stated. <sup>(*)</sup> Consis	stency/Rela	ative de	nsity sha	ding is f	or visual	referen	ice on	ly - no c	orrelatio	n betwe	en cohesive	e and gr	anular	materials is	implied.		Ī	1	
•	NT	: T	ruck Mounted Drill Rig							OF	PERA	TOR	: Gr	ound T	est			I	LOG	GED:	Cha	plin
T		D:								CA	SIN	G: H	Q to	2.5m								





#### **BOREHOLE LOG**

CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 183.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:303255.0, N:6430281.0 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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#### **BOREHOLE LOG**

CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Point Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 181.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:303255.2, N:6430296.0 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 17 DATE: 27/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1





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## **BOREHOLE LOG**

SURFACE LEVEL: 183.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:303151.9, N:6430268.6 PROJECT No: 224763.00 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 176.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:303248.8, N:6430334.2 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 101-1 DATE: 20/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAMPLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>#)</sup>	CONSIS. <sup>(*)</sup>	MOISTURE	REMARKS TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
ter observed	176		FILL / Sandy CLAY (CL), with silt, trace gravel: brown; low plasticity; fine to medium, sub-angular gravel.		FILL	ND	w <pl< td=""><td>PFAS/ D/ES</td><td>K</td><td>- 0.10 -</td><td>- PID</td><td>— 1ppm</td></pl<>	PFAS/ D/ES	K	- 0.10 -	- PID	— 1ppm
No free groundwa		0.20	FILL / Sandy GRAVEL (GP): grey dark grey; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular; fine to medium sand; gravels comprise coal reject and imported gravels.	000000000000	FILL	ND	D	D/ES		- 0.30 -	- PID -	—<1ppm —1ppm
		0.60	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown pale grey; fine; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; inclusions of concrete, brick, metal bars, copper wires and tile.					В		- 0.60 -	-	
	175	1 -		0 * 0 * 0 * 0 * 0 • 0 • 0 • 0 • 0 • 0 •	FILL	ND	D	D/ES	 	- 1.00 - - · ·	- PID -	<1ppm
		-	· · ·					PFAS/ <u>D/ES</u>	<u>.</u>	- 1.50 - 	- PID -	—<1ppm
23 2:05:39 PM	174	2.00	Test Pit discontinued at 2.00m depth. Limit of investigation.	0.0							*	
-GS by Geroc - Soll Log - 5/ 10/21		-									- - -	
Generated with CORE	ES: #	Soil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. <sup>(1)</sup> Consistency/Relative density shading	is for visual	reference	e only - no co	rrelation be	tween cohesive and g	ranular n	naterials is	s implied	d.
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CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:303248.4, N:6430339.3 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 101-2 DATE: 20/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

	1		CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED			-		SAMPLI	5			TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN#)		MOISTURE	REMARKS TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
observed	-	-	FILL / Sandy CLAY (CL), with silt, trace gravel: brown; low plasticity; fine to medium, sub-angular gravel.		FILL	ND	w <pl< td=""><td>D/ES</td><td>5</td><td>0.10 -</td><td></td><td></td></pl<>	D/ES	5	0.10 -		
No free groundwater of	175	0.15	FILL / Sandy GRAVEL (GP): grey dark grey; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular; fine to medium sand; gravels comprise coal reject and imported gravels.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	FILL	ND	D	PFAS/ B	5	0.20 -	PID	—<1ppm
	-	-		0000000000000				D/E	<u>3</u>	- 0.80 -	- PID	<1ppm
	-	1 – 1.10	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown pale grey; fine; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; inclusions of concrete, brick, metal rods, copper wires and tile.	0 + 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	FILL	ND	D	PFAS/ D/E	6	- 1 - - - 1.20 -	- PID - PID	<1ppm <1ppm
	•	1.30	Test Pit discontinued at 1.30m depth. Refusal on concrete.									
	174	-									-	
	-	2 -								- 2 -	-	
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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.1 AHD COORDINATE: E:303247.4, N:6430348.4 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 174.9 AHD COORDINATE: E:303246.5, N:6430354.0 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 101-4 DATE: 20/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAM	PLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>#)</sup>		MOISTURE	REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
oundwater observed		-	FILL / Sandy CLAY (CL), with silt, trace gravel: brown; low plasticity; fine to medium, sub-angular gravel.		FILL	ND	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>D/ES</td><td></td><td>- 0.10 -</td><td>- PID -</td><td>—&lt;1ppm</td></pl<>		D/ES		- 0.10 -	- PID -	—<1ppm
No free gro	-	0.30 	FILL / Sandy GRAVEL (GP): grey dark grey; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular; fine to medium sand; gravels comprise coal reject and imported gravels.	0.0.0.0.0.000	FILL	ND	D		D/ES		 - 0.50 -	- PID -	<1ppm
		0.60	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown pale grey; fine; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; inclusions of concrete, brick, metal rods, copper wires and tile.	0.0.0	FILL	ND	D		D/ES		- 0.80 -	- PID -	1ppm
	174	0.90 1 -	Sandy CLAY (CI): grey mottled orange; medium plasticity; fine to medium sand.		RS	ND	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>- 1 - - 1 -</td><td>- PP -</td><td>330-350kPa</td></pl<>				- 1 - - 1 -	- PP -	330-350kPa
	•	1.40	Test Pit discontinued at 1.40m depth.					PFAS/	D/ES		- 1.20 -	- PID -	<1ppm
	•	-	Limit of investigation.							•	 		
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NOTE		Soil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. <sup>(1)</sup> Consistency/Relative density shading	g is for visual	reference	e only - no c	prrelation be	tween cohesive	e and gra	anular m	naterials is	s implied	1.





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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 174.9 AHD COORDINATE: E:303244.9, N:6430364.0 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 101-5 DATE: 20/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

	CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED			-		SAN	IPLE	1			TESTING AND REMARKS
RL (m) DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>#)</sup>		MOISTURE	REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
	FILL / Sandy CLAY (CL), with silt, trace gravel: brown; low plasticity; fine to medium, sub-angular gravel.		FILL	ND	w <pl< td=""><td>, PFAS/</td><td>D/ES</td><td></td><td>- 0.10 -</td><td>- PID -</td><td>—&lt;1ppm</td></pl<>	, PFAS/	D/ES		- 0.10 -	- PID -	—<1ppm
0.25	FILL / Sandy GRAVEL (GP): grey dark grey; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular; fine to medium sand; gravels comprise coal reject and imported gravels.	00000000000	FILL	ND	D		D/ES		- 0.30 -	PID -	1ppm
<b>4</b> 21	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown pale grey; fine; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; inclusions of concrete, brick, metal rods, copper wires and tile.		FILL	ND	D		B D/ES		- 0.50 - - 0.70 - - 0.80 - - 1 -	- PID -	—<1ppm
1.20	Sandy CLAY (CI): grey mottled orange; medium plasticity; fine to medium sand.		RS	ND	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>D/ES</td><td></td><td>- 1.30 -</td><td>PID -</td><td>—&lt;1ppm</td></pl<>		D/ES		- 1.30 -	PID -	—<1ppm
<u>641</u>	Limit of investigation.									-	
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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 174.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:303243.1, N:6430378.0 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 101-6 DATE: 20/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

1	CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAN	IPLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
RL (m) DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>#)</sup>		MOISTURE	REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
. 0.10	FILL / Sandy CLAY (CL), with silt, trace gravel: brown; low plasticity; fine to medium, sub-angular		FILL	ND	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>D/ES</td><td><math>\lor</math></td><td>- 0.05 -</td><td>PID</td><td>&lt;1ppm</td></pl<>		D/ES	$\lor$	- 0.05 -	PID	<1ppm
- 0.20	gravel. FILL / Sandy GRAVEL (GP): grey dark grey; fine to	0.0.0	FILL	ND	D		D/ES		- 0.15 -	PID ·	<1ppm
0.20	coarse, angular to sub-angular; fine to medium sand; gravels comprise coal reject and imported gravels. FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown pale grey; fine; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; inclusions of concrete, brick, metal rods, copper wires, tile, ACM, concrete pipe.		FILL	ND	D	0.6	В		 - 0.40 - 	•	
0.80	Sandy CLAY (CI): grey mottled orange; medium plasticity; fine to medium sand.					PFAS/	D/ES		- 0.70 -	- PID -	<1ppm
173			RS	ND	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>B D/ES</td><td></td><td>- 1.30 - 1.50 - 1.50</td><td>- PID -</td><td>&lt;1ppm</td></pl<>		B D/ES		- 1.30 - 1.50 - 1.50	- PID -	<1ppm
2	Test Pit discontinued at 1.80m depth. Limit of investigation.								- 2 -	- - -	
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CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 176.1 AHD COORDINATE: E:303293.2, N:6430349.4 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 102-1 DATE: 18/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAN	IPLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>#)</sup>		MOISTURE	REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
free groundwater observed	176	-	FILL / SAND (SP), with silt, trace gravel: brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, sub-angular to sub- rounded, imported gravel; inclusions of concrete.		FILL	ND	М	PFAS,	D/ES		- 0.10 -	PID -	—<1ppm —<1ppm
Z		0.40 _	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular gravel; inclusions of concrete, reinforced bar, ceramic, timber, coal reject, metal platting and wire.	0 0 0 0					D/ES	-	- 0.60 -	- PID -	—<1ppm
	175	1 -		0 0 0 0 0 0	FILL	ND	М	PFAS,	D/ES	-	- 1 - - 1.20 -	- PID -	<1ppm
	-	1.50	Clayey SAND (SP), with gravel: brown mottled orange; fine to coarse; fine to medium, sub-rounded gravel.		XWM	ND	М		D/ES	-	- 1.80 -	- PID -	—<1ppm
	174	2.00 2.10	SANDSTONE: pale grey, low to medium strength, highly weathered Test Pit discontinued at 2.10m depth.			NA	NA				- 2 -	•	
	-		Limit of investigation.									-	
	S: (#)	Soil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consistency/Relative density shadin	g is for visual	reference	only - no c	TOP-		e and gr	anular n	naterials i	s implie	
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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.1 AHD COORDINATE: E:303223.5, N:6430345.3 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 102-10 DATE: 19/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAM	IPLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN#)		MOISTURE	REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
oundwater observed	175		FILL / Clayey SAND (SP), with silt, trace gravel: brown; fine to medium; fine to medium, sub-rounded gravel; rootlets.		FILL	ND	D		D/ES		- 0.10	- PID -	—<1ppm
No free gr		0.30 - -	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): dark grey; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; comprising imported sedimentary and igneous, as well as coal reject, inclusions of concrete, brick, steel, beaming, tile.	0 · 0 · 0 · 0 · 0	FILL	ND	М	PFAS/	B D/ES		- 0.40 - 0.50 - 0.60	- PID -	— 1ppm
		0.80	FILL / Sandy GRAVEL (GP): brown red; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded; fine to medium sand.	0.0.0.0.0.00	FILL	ND	D		D/ES		- 0.90 - - 1 -	- PID -	—<1ppm
	174	1.50	SAND (SP), with clay: orange grey; fine to coarse; grading to rock.		XWM	ND	D		D/ES		 	- PID -	—<1ppm
	•	1.60	Test Pit discontinued at 1.60m depth. Refusal on rock.			NA	NA			 - -	 		
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	S: (1)	Soil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consistency/Relative density shading	is for visual	reference	only - no co	rrelation b	etween cohesive	e and gra	inular m	aterials is	s implied	
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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.1 AHD COORDINATE: E:303212.6, N:6430345.4 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.2 AHD COORDINATE: E:303203.3, N:6430345.5 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 102-12 DATE: 20/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

	-		CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAM	IPLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN#)	CONSIS.(*)	MOISTURE	REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
dwater observed	175		FILL / Sandy CLAY (CL), trace gravel: brown orange; low plasticity; fine to medium, sub-angular to sub- rounded gravel; with rootlets, coal reject.		FILL	ND	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>D/ES</td><td>&lt;</td><td>- 0.10 -</td><td>- PID -</td><td>— 1ppm</td></pl<>		D/ES	<	- 0.10 -	- PID -	— 1ppm
No free groun		0.25	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): dark grey; fine to medium; (gravels comprise angular to sub-angular imported graves and coal reject), inclusion of brick, concrete, steel beams, copper wire.	0 · 0 · 0 · 0 · 0 · 0 · 0 · 0 · 0 · 0 ·	FILL	ND	М	PFAS/	D/ES B		0.30  - 0.60 0.80	PID	— 1ppm — <1ppm
	-	1.00	Sandy CLAY (CI): grey mottled orange; medium plasticity; fine to medium sand.	* 0				PFAS/	В		- 1.00 - - 1.10 -	- PID -	—<1ppm
	174	• • •	From 1.20m: grading to extremely weathered rock		RS	ND	w <pl< td=""><td></td><td>D/ES D/ES</td><td></td><td>- 1.20 -</td><td>PP</td><td>—&gt;400kPa —&lt;1ppm</td></pl<>		D/ES D/ES		- 1.20 -	PP	—>400kPa —<1ppm
	-	1.70	SANDSTONE: orange grey, low to medium strength, highly weathered			NA	NA		D		- 1.80 -	- PID -	—<1ppm
	-	1.90 2 <u>-</u>	Test Pit discontinued at 1.90m depth. Refusal on rock.							<u> </u>	- 2 -		1
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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.8 AHD COORDINATE: E:303289.4, N:6430349.0 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 102-2 DATE: 18/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAMPL	E			TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>(#)</sup>		MOISTURE	REMARKS		DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
No free groundwater observed		-	FILL / SAND (SP), with silt, trace gravel: brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, sub-angular to sub- rounded, imported gravel; inclusions of concrete.		FILL	ND	м	D/E PFAS/ D/E	ES –	0.10 -	PID	—<1ppm —<1ppm
	175	0.55 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular gravel; inclusions of concrete, reinforced bar, ceramic, timber, coal reject, metal platting and wire.	* 0 * 0 * 0 * 0 * 0 * 0 * 0 * 0 * 0 * 0	FILL	ND	м	D/E	ES	- 1 -	- PID -	—<1ppm —<1ppm
	174		Clayey SAND (SP), with gravel: brown mottled orange; fine to coarse; fine to medium, sub-rounded gravel.		XWM	ND	М	D/E	ES —	- 1.80 -	PID -	—<1ppm
	. 1/3	1.90 2.00 - - - - -	SANDSTONE: pale grey, low to medium strength, highly weathered Test Pit discontinued at 2.00m depth. Refusal on rock.			NA	NA				-	
	s: ։։։ NT: HO	Soil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. "Consistency/Relative density shadin /undai 210LC-9 21.0T Excavator 150mm bucket with teeth	g is for visual	reference C	only - no co	rrelation be	etween cohesive and JE & J Robir	d granul	lar materials i	s implied	a. LOGGED: Helbig



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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.7 AHD COORDINATE: E:303285.4, N:6430348.9 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

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		CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED SAMPLE							TESTING AND REMARKS				
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>#)</sup>	CONSIS. <sup>(*)</sup>	MOISTURE	REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
No free groundwater observed		-	FILL / SAND (SP), with silt, with gravel: brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; inclusions of reinforced bar, concrete, coal reject, ceramic, timber, ACM, bricks.					D/ PFAS/D/	/ES		- 0.10	- PID -	—<1ppm — 1ppm
	175	1 -			FILL	ND	Μ	D/	/ES	-	- 1.00 -	- PID -	<1ppm
	174	1.40 -	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; with imported igneous and sedimentary cobbles and boulders up to 250mm in size.	0 * 0 * 0 * 0 * 0 * 0	FILL	ND	D	PFAS/D/	/ES			- PID -	—<1ppm
	•	1.90 2.00 2.10	Sandy CLAY (CL), trace gravel: grey mottled orange; low plasticity; fine sand; fine to medium, sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel. SANDSTONE: pale grey, low to medium strength, A,highly weathered		RS	ND NA	w>PL w=PL NA	D/	/ES —		- 1.95 - - 2 -	- PID - PP	7 <sup>1ppm</sup> √>400kPa
NOTE	173	- Soll oriș	Test Pit discontinued at 2.10m depth. Refusal on rock.	, is for visual	reference	only - no cc	prrelation b	etween cohesive an	nd gran	- - - - - - - -		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	1
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#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.5 AHD COORDINATE: E:303277.8, N:6430348.2 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 102-4 DATE: 18/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

			CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAMPLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN#)	CONSIS.(*)	MOISTURE	REMARKS TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
No free groundwater observed	-	-	FILL / SAND (SP), with silt, with gravel: brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-angular gravel; inclusions of concrete, coal reject, rubber, sheet metal, bricks.		FILL	ND	D to M	В		- 0.30 - 0.30		
	175	0.50	FILL / Silty SAND (SP), with gravel: dark brown; fine to medium; fine to medium, angular gravel; comprising coal reject.		FILL	ND	D		-	 · ·		
	74	1 -	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; with imported igneous and sedimentary cobbles and boulders up to 250mm in size.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	FILL	ND	D		- - - - - -	- 1 - · · ·		
		1.60 - 2 - 2 20	Clayey SAND (SP): red brown; fine to coarse.		RS	ND	ND		-	- 2 -		
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LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.4 AHD COORDINATE: E:303274.6, N:6430348.0 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 102-5 DATE: 19/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

	1		CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED			-		SAMPLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN#)	CONSIS.(*)	MOISTURE	REMARKS TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
No free groundwater observed	175	-	FILL / SAND (SP), with clay, with silt: brown; fine to medium; rootlets to 0.05m, inclusions of concrete, metal wire, reinforced bar, coal reject.		FILL	ND	М	PFAS/ <u>D/ES</u>		- 0.10 - 0.20 - 0.30	- PID -	—<1ppm —<1ppm
		0.50 -	FILL / Silty SAND (SP), with gravel: dark brown; fine to medium; fine to medium, angular gravel; comprising coal reject.		FILL	ND	D	D/ES		- 0.50 -  - 0.70 -	- PID -	<1ppm
	-	0.80	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; with imported igneous and sedimentary cobbles and boulders up to 250mm in size.	0 0 0 0	FILL	ND	D	D/ES	-	- 1.00 -	- PID -	<1ppm
	174	1.40 	Clayey SAND (SP), with gravel: pale brown orange; fine to coarse; fine to coarse, sub-angular to sub- rounded gravel.	0 • 11111111111	XWM	ND	М	D/ES			- PID -	—<1ppm
	• - •	1.80 2 -	Test Pit discontinued at 1.80m depth. Limit of investigation.	222	<u> </u>					_ 2 _		<u> </u>
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CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.3 AHD COORDINATE: E:303262.3, N:6430347.0 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 102-6 DATE: 19/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

	1		CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED			-		SAMPLI	5			TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN#)		MOISTURE	REMARKS TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
No free groundwater observed	175	-	FILL / SAND (SP), with clay, with silt: brown; fine to medium; rootlets to 0.05m, inclusions of concrete, metal wire, reinforced bar, coal reject.		FILL	ND	М	D/ES		- 0.10 - - 0.20 - - 0.30 -	- PID	—<1ppm —<1ppm
	-	0.50	FILL / Silty SAND (SP), with gravel: dark brown; fine to medium; fine to medium, angular gravel; comprising coal reject.		FILL	ND	D	PFAS/ D/E	<u>}</u>	- 0.60 -	PID	—<1ppm
	-	1 <u>-</u> 1.10	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; with imported igneous and sedimentary cobbles and boulders up to 250mm in size.	0	FILL	ND	D	D/E	<u> </u>	- 1.00 -	PID	— 1ppm
	174		Sandy CLAY (CL): grey mottled orange; low plasticity; fine to medium sand.		RS	ND	w>PL w=PL	PFAS/ D/ES	<u>6</u>	- 1.50 -	PP PID	— 300-320kPa — <1ppm
		2 -	Test Pit discontinued at 1.80m depth. Limit of investigation.							- 2 -	-	
	173	•								- - - - -	+ + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +	
NOTE	S: (#)	Soil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. <sup>(*)</sup> Consistency/Relative density shading	is for visual	reference	e only - no c	prrelation be	etween cohesive and	granular r	naterials i	s implie	d.
	NT	: Hy	/undai 210LC-9 21.0T Excavator		(	OPERA	TOR:	JE & J Robins	son			LOGGED: Helbig





CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

#### LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.2 AHD COORDINATE: E:303253.9, N:6430346.8 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 102-7 DATE: 19/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

	CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED						SAMPL	E		TESTING AND REMARKS		
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>#)</sup>	CONSIS.(*)	MOISTURE	REMARKS TYPE	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
oundwater observed	175	- - -	FILL / SAND (SP), with silt, with gravel: brown; fine to coarse; fine to coarse, sub-angular to sub-rounded gravel; inclusions of concrete, metal frame, coal reject, concrete pipe (ACM), fibro, rubber hosing (ACM), cables.		FILL	ND	М	PFAS/ D/E	s	0.20 -	- PID -	—<1ppm
No free gr	•	0.30 -	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP), with silt: dark grey; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular gravel; comprising imported igneous and coal reject, inclusions of concrete.	0 * 0 * 0 * 0 *	FILL	ND	М	PFAS/		0.30 -	- PID -	<1ppm
	-	0.70	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP): pale brown; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular to sub-rounded gravel; with imported igneous and sedimentary cobbles and boulders up to 250mm in size.	0.0.0.0.0	FILL	ND	D	D/E D/E	<u>s</u>	0.90 -	- - - PID -	—<1ppm
		1.00	Test Pit discontinued at 1.00m depth.							1		
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	173	-								-	-	
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		Soil orig	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. " <sup>IC</sup> Onsistency/Relative density shading /undai 210LC-9 21.0T Excavator I50mm bucket wth teeth	g is for visual	reference	e only - no co	rrelation b	etween cohesive and JE & J Robin	granula SON	r materials i	is implied	d. LOGGED: Helbig



CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

**SURFACE LEVEL:** 175.1 AHD **COORDINATE:** E:303239.2, N:6430346.1 **DATUM/GRID:** MGA2020 56 **DIP/AZIMUTH:** 90°/----°

LOCATION ID: 102-8 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATE: 19/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1





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CLIENT: Ausgrid PROJECT: Proposed Muswellbrook Substation

LOCATION: 20 Sandy Creek Road, Muswellbrook, NSW

SURFACE LEVEL: 175.0 AHD COORDINATE: E:303229.9, N:6430345.8 PROJECT No: 224763.01 DATUM/GRID: MGA2020 56 DIP/AZIMUTH: 90°/---°

LOCATION ID: 102-9 DATE: 19/09/23 SHEET: 1 of 1

	1		CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED					SAMP	PLE				TESTING AND REMARKS
GROUNDWATER	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	DESCRIPTION OF STRATA	GRAPHIC	ORIGIN <sup>#)</sup>	CONSIS.(*)	MOISTURE	REMARKS	ТҮРЕ	INTERVAL	DEPTH (m)	TEST TYPE	RESULTS AND REMARKS
observed			FILL / Clayey SAND (SP), with silt, trace gravel: brown; fine to medium; fine to medium, sub-rounded gravel; rootlets.		FILL	ND	D	C	)/ES	$\langle$	- 0.10 -	- PID	—<1ppm
No free groundwater		0.15	FILL / Gravelly SAND (SP), with silt: dark grey; fine to medium; fine to coarse, angular gravel; comprising imported igneous and coal reject, inclusions of concrete.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	FILL	ND	м	-	в		- 0.20 -	- PID	-—<1ppm
		0.60	FILL / Sandy GRAVEL (GP): brown red; fine to coarse, sub-angular to sub-rounded; fine to medium sand.		FILL	ND	D		)/ES	<u> </u>	- 0.60	- PID	—<1ppm
	173	2 -	Test Pit discontinued at 1.00m depth. Refusal on concrete.							-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	
NOTE		- - Soil oric	in is "probable" unless otherwise stated. <sup>(n</sup> Consistency/Relative density shadin	ı is for visual	reference	e only - no co	rrelation b	stween cohesive a	ind gra	- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		+ - - - - - - - -	d.
		: Hy	undai 210LC-9 21.0T Excavator	, io i visual	, cierence	OPERA	TOR:	JE & J Rob	insc	nuar m	aterials i	s nupile	LOGGED: Helbig





## Appendix B

Laboratory Testing – Geotechnical Laboratory Testing – Thermal Resistivity by Geotherm Australia

#### **Material Test Report**

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Issue Number:	1
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Client:	Ausgrid
	Ausgrid, Sydney NSW 2000
Project Number:	224763.00
Project Name:	Proposed Muswellbrook Substation
Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676A
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	18/10/2023 - 18/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH01, Depth: 0.5-0.85m
Material:	Sandy Clay

# Shrink Swell Index (AS 1289 7.1.1 & 2.1.1) Iss (%) 2.0 Visual Description Sandy Clay \* Shrink Swell Index (Iss) reported as the percentage vertical strain per pF change in suction. Core Shrinkage Test

Shrinkage Strain - Oven Dried (%)	1.2						
Estimated % by volume of significant inert inclusions	5						
Cracking	Slightly Cracked						
Crumbling	No						
Moisture Content (%)	11.4						
Swell Test							
Initial Pocket Penetrometer (kPa)	>600						
Final Pocket Penetrometer (kPa)	310						
Initial Moisture Content (%)	10.5						
Final Moisture Content (%)	19.9						
Swell (%)	4.7						
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Project Name:	Proposed Muswellbrook Substation
Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676B
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	18/10/2023 - 18/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH05, Depth: 0.5-0.86m
Material:	Sandy Clay

# Shrink Swell Index (AS 1289 7.1.1 & 2.1.1) Iss (%) 3.3 Visual Description Sandy Clay \* Shrink Swell Index (Iss) reported as the percentage vertical strain per pF change in suction.

Core Shrinkage Test	
Shrinkage Strain - Oven Dried (%)	2.5
Estimated % by volume of significant inert inclusions	0
Cracking	Uncracked
Crumbling	No
Moisture Content (%)	16.9
Swell Test	
Initial Pocket Penetrometer (kPa)	>600
Final Pocket Penetrometer (kPa)	230
Initial Moisture Content (%)	14.9
Final Moisture Content (%)	23.1
Swell (%)	6.9
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Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676C
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	19/10/2023 - 19/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH14, Depth: 0.5-0.81m
Material:	Sandy Clay

Atterberg Limit (AS1289 3.1.2 & 3.2	2.1 & 3.3.1)	Min	Max
Sample History	Oven Dried		
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve		
Liquid Limit (%)	46		
Plastic Limit (%)	21		
Plasticity Index (%)	25		

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Project Name:	Proposed Muswellbrook Substation
Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676D
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	18/10/2023 - 18/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH16, Depth: 1.5-1.73m
Material:	Sandy Clay

#### Shrink Swell Index (AS 1289 7.1.1 & 2.1.1) lss (%) 2.0 Visual Description Sandy Clay \* Shrink Swell Index (Iss) reported as the percentage vertical strain per pF change in suction. Core Shrinkage Test Shrinkage Strain - Oven Dried (%) 0.9 Estimated % by volume of significant inert inclusions 0 Cracking Uncracked Crumbling No Moisture Content (%) 10.9 Swell Test Initial Pocket Penetrometer (kPa) >600 Final Pocket Penetrometer (kPa) 340 Initial Moisture Content (%) 9.5 Final Moisture Content (%) 23.3 Swell (%) 5.3 \* NATA Accreditation does not cover the performance of pocket penetrometer readings.

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Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676E
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	09/10/2023 - 09/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH2, Depth: 1.0-1.45m
Material:	Sandy Clay

Emerson Class Number of a Soil (AS 1289 3.8	8.1)	Min	Max
Emerson Class	4 *		
Soil Description	Sandy Clay		
Nature of Water	Distilled		
Temperature of Water (°C)	18.9	1	
* Mineral Present	Carbonate		

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Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676F
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	09/10/2023 - 09/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH5, Depth: 1.1-1.55m
Material:	Sandy Clay

Emerson Class Number of a Soil (AS 1289 3.8	8.1)	Min	Max
Emerson Class	4 *		
Soil Description	Sandy Clay		
Nature of Water	Distilled		
Temperature of Water (°C)	18.8	7	
* Mineral Present	Carbonate		

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Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676G
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	09/10/2023 - 09/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH8, Depth: 1.24-1.69m
Material:	Sandy Clay

Emerson Class Number of a Soil (AS 1289 3.8.1)		Min	Max
Emerson Class	2		
Soil Description	Sandy Clay		
Nature of Water	Distilled		
Temperature of Water (°C)	20.0	]	

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Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676H
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	09/10/2023 - 09/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH9, Depth: 1.21-1.66m
Material:	Sandy Clay

Emerson Class Number of a Soil (AS 1289 3.8.1)		Min	Max
Emerson Class	4 *		
Soil Description	Silty Sandy Clay		
Nature of Water	Distilled		
Temperature of Water (°C)	19.4	]	
* Mineral Present	Carbonate		

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Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676I
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	09/10/2023 - 09/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH14, Depth: 1.0-1.45m
Material:	Sandy Clay

Emerson Class Number of a Soil (AS 1289 3.8	8.1)	Min	Max
Emerson Class	4 *		
Soil Description	Silty Sandy Clay		
Nature of Water	Distilled		
Temperature of Water (°C)	19.4	]	
* Mineral Present	Carbonate		

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Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676J
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	16/10/2023 - 16/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH1, Depth: 0.0-0.5m

Sandy Clay

Material:

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.	.1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	2.5 mm		
CBR %	4.0		
Method of Compactive Effort	Star	dard	
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5	.1.1 & 2	.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.63		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	19.5		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	101.0		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	99.0		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.62		
Field Moisture Content (%)	13.3		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	19.1		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	25.2		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	21.8		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	141.5		
Swell (%)	1.5		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)	0		

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Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676K
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	16/10/2023 - 16/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH5, Depth: 0.0-0.5m

Material: Sandy Clay California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.1.1) CBR taken at 2.5 mm CBR % 6 Method of Compactive Effort Standard Method used to Determine MDD AS 1289 5.1.1 & 2.1.1 Method used to Determine Plasticity Visual Assessment Maximum Dry Density (t/m<sup>3</sup>) 1.83 **Optimum Moisture Content (%)** 14.5

Min

Max

Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	100.0		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	101.5		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.80		
Field Moisture Content (%)	10.2		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	14.9		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	21.4		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	16.9		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	139.9		
Swell (%)	1.5		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		

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Oversize Material (%)

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Project Name:	Proposed Muswellbrook Substation
Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676L
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	16/10/2023 - 16/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH8, Depth: 0.0-0.5m

BH8, Depth: 0.0-0.5m

Material:

FILL: Clayey Silt with sand and gravel

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.	.1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	5 mm		
CBR %	6		
Method of Compactive Effort	Star	dard	
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5	.1.1 & 2	2.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.81		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	13.5		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	100.5		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	100.0		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.81		
Field Moisture Content (%)	9.0		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	13.6		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	14.9		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	14.9		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	139.8		
Swell (%)	0.5		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)			

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Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676M
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	16/10/2023 - 16/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH9, Depth: 0.0-0.5m

Sandy Clay

Material:

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.	1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	2.5 mm		
CBR %	7		
Method of Compactive Effort	Star	dard	
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5	.1.1 & 2	.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.77		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	15.0		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	101.0		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	98.0		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.79		
Field Moisture Content (%)	8.3		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	14.6		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	19.9		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	17.1		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	49.1		
Swell (%)	0.0		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)	0		

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Project Name:	Proposed Muswellbrook Substation
Project Location:	Hebden Road, Muswellbrook NSW
Work Request:	10676
Sample Number:	NC-10676N
Date Sampled:	29/10/2023
Dates Tested:	16/10/2023 - 16/10/2023
Sampling Method:	Sampled by Douglas Partners
	The results apply to the sample as received
Preparation Method:	AS 1289.1.1 - Sampling and preparation of soils
Sample Location:	BH12, Depth: 0.55-1.05m

# Sandy Clay

Material:

California Bearing Ratio (AS 1289 6.1.1 & 2.	.1.1)	Min	Max
CBR taken at	5 mm		
CBR %	8		
Method of Compactive Effort	Star	dard	
Method used to Determine MDD	AS 1289 5	.1.1 & 2	.1.1
Method used to Determine Plasticity	Visual As	sessme	ent
Maximum Dry Density (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.85		
Optimum Moisture Content (%)	13.5		
Laboratory Density Ratio (%)	99.0		
Laboratory Moisture Ratio (%)	100.5		
Dry Density after Soaking (t/m <sup>3</sup> )	1.83		
Field Moisture Content (%)	7.8		
Moisture Content at Placement (%)	13.6		
Moisture Content Top 30mm (%)	14.9		
Moisture Content Rest of Sample (%)	14.6		
Mass Surcharge (kg)	4.5		
Soaking Period (days)	4		
Curing Hours (h)	140.3		
Swell (%)	0.0		
Oversize Material (mm)	19		
Oversize Material Included	Excluded		
Oversize Material (%)	0		

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Test Report						
Client : Douglas Partners	Project Number :	2135				
	Project Details :	Muswellbrook				
	Order/Request Numb	er:				
Report Date : 26/10/2023	Report Number :	213501				

Sample ID / Name / Number	TP1 - 1.0m		
Soil Description	Light brown silty clay		
Sampled by	Geotherm - as per procedure		
Sample Type	Undisturbed		
Date Sampled	21/9/2023		

#### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>0</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
21/09/2023	Probe inserted into trench wall at 1.0m depth	As found	800	14.3	37.30	1.43	0.70

### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
11/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. As found moisture content.	A	9.1%	600	19.6	21.50	1.30	0.77
16/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	6.1%	500	18.6	20.00	1.00	1.00
18/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	2.9%	600	19.1	21.90	0.79	1.27
25/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Fully dry	A	0.0%	500	19.4	20.00	0.64	1.57

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	175	60.5	928.7	1850

Notes

- \*Thermal resistivity calculation = 1 / Thermal Conductivity.

- All testing undertaken at Geotherm's Hornsby Laboratory, unless noted.

- Specimens prepared by BL. Wet specimens tested by BL. Dry and partially dry specimens tested by BH, BL,

- Probe dimensions used for testing - Laboratory samples: Diameter = 3.2mm - Length 120mm. Field tests: Diameter = 6.0mm - Length 250mm

- The above samples will be discarded after 2 weeks.

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Test Report						
Client : Douglas Partners	Project Number :	2135				
	Project Details :	Muswellbrook				
	Order/Request Numb	er :				
Report Date : 26/10/2023	Report Number :	213502				

Sample ID / Name / Number	TP05 - 1.0m
Soil Description	Brown silty clay
Sampled by	Geotherm - as per procedure
Sample Type	Undisturbed
Date Sampled	21/9/2023

### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
21/09/2023	Probe inserted into trench wall at 1.0m depth	As found	800	15.7	37.30	1.15	0.87

### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
11/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. As found moisture content.	A	10.1%	600	20.5	21.50	1.16	0.86
16/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	6.7%	400	19.5	20.00	1.00	1.00
17/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	А	3.3%	600	19.8	20.40	0.81	1.24
24/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Fully dry	A	0.0%	400	20.1	22.10	0.64	1.57

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	174	60.5	833.4	1670

Notes

- \*Thermal resistivity calculation = 1 / Thermal Conductivity.

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- Probe dimensions used for testing - Laboratory samples: Diameter = 3.2mm - Length 120mm. Field tests: Diameter = 6.0mm - Length 250mm

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lest Report						
Client : Douglas Partners	Project Number :	2135				
	Project Details :	Muswellbrook				
	Order/Request Numb	er:				
Report Date : 26/10/2023	Report Number :	213503				

Sample ID / Name / Number	TP8 - 1.0m			
Soil Description	Brown silty clay with gravel			
Sampled by	Geotherm - as per procedure			
Sample Type	Undisturbed			
Date Sampled	21/9/2023			

#### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
21/09/2023	Probe inserted into trench wall at 1.0m depth	As found	600	15.9	37.30	1.41	0.71

### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
11/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. As found moisture content.	A	9.5%	400	20.5	21.50	1.67	0.60
16/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	А	6.6%	400	19.5	20.00	1.49	0.67
18/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	А	2.9%	400	20.1	21.90	1.12	0.89
25/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Fully dry	A	0.0%	400	20.1	20.00	0.87	1.15

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	172	60.5	894.9	1810

Notes

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Test Report				
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	Project Details :	Muswellbrook		
	Order/Request Numb	er :		
Report Date : 26/10/2023	Report Number :	213504		

Sample ID / Name / Number	TP09 - 1.0m
Soil Description	Brown silty clay & gravel
Sampled by	Geotherm - as per procedure
Sample Type	Undisturbed
Date Sampled	21/9/2023

#### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>0</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
21/09/2023	Probe inserted into trench wall at 1.0m depth	As found	700	17.6	37.30	1.45	0.69

### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
11/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. As found moisture content.	A	9.0%	600	19.9	21.50	1.54	0.65
17/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	4.5%	600	18.4	20.40	1.15	0.87
19/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	2.4%	600	19.6	21.70	0.99	1.01
25/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Fully dry	A	0.0%	500	19.4	20.00	0.85	1.17

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	190	73	1411.8	1780

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	Project Details :	Muswellbrook		
	Order/Request Numb	er:		
Report Date : 26/10/2023	Report Number :	213505		

Sample ID / Name / Number	TP12 - 1.0m
Soil Description	Light brown silty clay
Sampled by	Geotherm - as per procedure
Sample Type	Undisturbed
Date Sampled	21/9/2023

#### Field Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
21/09/2023	Probe inserted into trench wall at 1.0m depth	As found	700	16.5	37.40	1.25	0.80

### Thermal Conductivity (ASTM D5334)

Test Date	Preparation Method	Specimen	Moisture Content (%)	Test Duration (s)	Initial Temp. ( <sup>o</sup> C)	Test Power (W/m)	Thermal Conductivity (W/m.K)	Thermal Resistivity (Km/W) *
11/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. As found moisture content.	A	11.1%	600	20.4	21.50	1.18	0.85
16/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	A	7.7%	500	19.5	20.00	1.00	1.00
19/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Partially dry.	А	2.5%	600	20.3	21.70	0.70	1.43
25/10/2023	Probe inserted into undisturbed sample. Fully dry	A	0.0%	500	20.3	20.00	0.61	1.65

Specimen	Av. Length (mm)	Av. Diameter (mm)	Mass (g)	Dry Density (Kg/m <sup>3)</sup>
A	174	60.5	850.1	1700

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# Appendix C

Drawing 1 - Test Location Plan ZN 228 Stockton – 33/11kV Substation 11 kV Switchgear Replacement Civil & Structural Works Transportable 11 kV Switch Building Support Structure Details – Sheet 1





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