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Dear Sir,

**RE: LEVEL ONE COMPLIANCE REPORT FOR
 BULK EARTHWORKS FILLING OPERATIONS
 FLAGSTONE CITY STAGE 1H, FLAGSTONE**

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 General

This report presents results of Level One Earthworks Inspections and associated Compaction Compliance testing carried out on Earthworks Fill constructed to form residential building platforms and embankments below subgrade at the Flagstone City Stage 1H Development, Flagstone (The Site).

The work was commissioned by Mr. D. Gillespie representing Allroads Ltd Pty (The Client), using Purchase Order AR2210-SCA-001.

Earthworks were carried out by The Client.

Earthworks filling operations were carried out intermittently between 2nd August 2017 and 6th February 2018.

Picture 1: Aerial View of the Site (Image Source: Nearmap.com- dated 16th September 2017)



1.2 Previous Earthworks

As far as could be determined; no previous earthworks have been carried out at The Site.

1.3 The Project

The Purpose for filling at The Site is to construct a Residential Subdivision which included new pavements, residential building platforms and associated underground services.

Bradlees Pty Ltd Earthworks Cut/Fill Plans, Project Number 15-842, Drawing numbers C1-S1H-CIL-110, Revision C dated 19.05.2017, indicates the extents and thickness of fill to be constructed at The Site.

This plan is considered to be a reasonable indication of the actual fill constructed at The Site with the following exception:

- Lots 202 – 204 and Road A CH 675 - 750
 - Materials at the design earthworks levels comprised of rock of high and very high strength.
 - The rock was excavated to a depth of approximately 0.5m below the design earthworks levels and replaced by filling.
- Minimal fill was placed on Lot 227.

The actual thickness of fill on an individual Lot can be obtained from the Developer as a Lot Disclosure Plan.

The Site is located with-in the Flagstone City Development and bounded by future residential developments, Stage 1I to the West, Stage 1J to the South, Stages 1G and 1F to the East and undeveloped land to the North.

2.0 THE BRIEF

The Brief from the Client was limited to:

- Level One Inspection and Testing of the placement and compaction of fill materials in accordance with AS3798 2007 – “Guidelines on Earthworks for Commercial and Residential Developments”,
- Logan City Council Project Specifications.
- Relative Density Control Testing in accordance with AS1289 – Testing of Soils for Engineering Purposes and at frequencies required in AS3798 Table 8.1.
- Notes on Bradlees Earthworks Drawings.

All other design requirements such as CBR and Quality of Materials, site classification, material, settlement assessments and existing filling were not included in the Brief and are therefore excluded from this Report.

3.0 METHODOLOGY

Earthworks Inspections and Testing was carried out on the stripped and exposed ground surfaces and during the placement and compaction of fill materials.

Field and laboratory testing included a walk over assessments of the existing ground conditions, observation of filling and compaction activities, field density testing using a nuclear soil moisture density gauge and Hif compactions. All work was carried out in accordance with AS 3798 and AS 1289.

3.1 Stripped Surface Assessment

The areas to be filled at The Site were observed to be stripped and cleared of all visible organic matter, deleterious, loose and unsuitable materials to depths exposing a competent natural foundation.

The materials forming the natural fill foundation, exposed after the stripping and clearing can be broadly summarised as:

- Sandy Clay (CI) – at least stiff, medium plasticity fines, fine to course grained sand, orange mottled grey brown, moist.
- Clayey Sand (SC) – at least dense, fine to course grained sand, low to medium plasticity fines, light orange – grey, moist.
- Sandstone Rock (DW-SW) distinctly weathered to slightly weathered, high and very high strength, yellow grey and grey.

Following the stripped surface assessment of the fill areas, the natural fill foundation was approved for filling using the following process:

- Walk over assessments confirming that the competent ground was exposed.
- Proof roll testing using large sized and loaded truck confirming no movement of the foundation.
- Sloping areas to be filled were either benched prior to filling or fill was keyed into the slope during filling operations.

On this basis, the compliant assessments in accordance with above indicate that the exposed ground forming the fill foundation is capable of supporting new fill materials.

Picture 2: View of the Stripping Operations Prior to Fill Placement



3.2 Filling Operations

Fill material was sourced from onsite cuts areas, onsite stockpiles, road box excavations and trench excavations.

Fill materials can be broadly summarised as:

- Sandy Clay (CI) – medium plasticity, fine to coarse grained sand, traces of fine to coarse gravel, orange – grey - brown, moist.
- Clayey Sand (SC) – fine to coarse grained sand, low to medium plasticity, traces of fine to coarse gravel, light orange – grey, moist.

Placement and compaction of the fill materials was carried out using the following plant:

- 825 Compactor
- Articulated Dump Truck
- Surface Miners
- Dozer
- Water Truck
- Scraper
- Excavator

The fill materials were moisture conditioned at the source and during placement to moisture contents suitable for compaction. Deleterious materials such as organics, sticks, roots and over size particles were sorted and removed during placement or were rejected for use. Occasional cobble sized particles may remain in the fill however are not considered to affect the fill as a mass.

Placement of the fill materials was carried layers appropriate for the above plant and compacted carrying out multiple passes.

Our representative observed the filling process as described above and it was assessed to be consistent for the entire thickness of fill.

Field density tests and laboratory compactions were carried out on the compacted fill materials in accordance with Table 5.1 and 8.1 of AS3798 2007 (Guidelines on Earthworks for Commercial and Residential Developments) and tested to AS1289 test methods (Testing of Soils for Engineering Purposes). Testing achieved the required specification of 95% of the H₁₀₀ Density.

Fill placed and compacted at measured density ratios less than 95% were tined, moisture conditioned and re-compacted until the required specification was achieved. Retesting was carried out using Random Stratified Location methods.

The Location of the field density tests are shown on the Site Plan contained in Appendix A. These test locations and levels were not obtained by survey and therefore should only be considered as approximate.

4.0 STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

Our representative observed all the relevant earthworks operations including the stripped surface, filling operations and carried out field density tests in accordance with the required standards (AS3798, AS1289) and notes on Drawings.

It is confirmed that Level One Inspection and Testing has been carried out on the earthworks fill to form the residential Lots and embankments below subgrade. Based on the observations made by our Geotechnicians and the results of the field and laboratory tests, the placed and compacted fill at the above project has, as far as we have been able to assess, been constructed in general accordance with the intent of AS3798 and the Specifications.

The fill can be deemed as “controlled” as defined in AS2870 (Residential Slabs and Footings).

Picture 3: View of the Site During Construction



Picture 4: View of the Site During Construction



5.0 EXCLUSIONS

This statement does not include any trench backfill or top soil, which may be placed for use as dressing or any other subsequent earthworks after 6th February 2018.

Earthworks relating to the water reserve and sediment basin outside the eastern stage boundary had not been completed at the time of writing and are excluded from this report.

Assessments of material quality such as soaked CBR and site classifications are excluded from this commission.

Our on-site attendance specifically excludes assessments of fill material quality and engineering properties that are outside the requirements of AS3798 - 2007, including soil or fill reactivity and soaked CBR values. We note that the fill materials used may result in unfavourable site classifications and low subgrade design strengths.

Footings and ground slabs for any structures constructed over natural soils or controlled fill should be designed to accommodate the characteristic ground surface movements and settlement potential. Assessments of these design parameters are beyond the scope of this Report.

This report is not to be relied upon for settlement analysis engineering advice. This is beyond the scope of this report and outside our engagement.

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Yours faithfully



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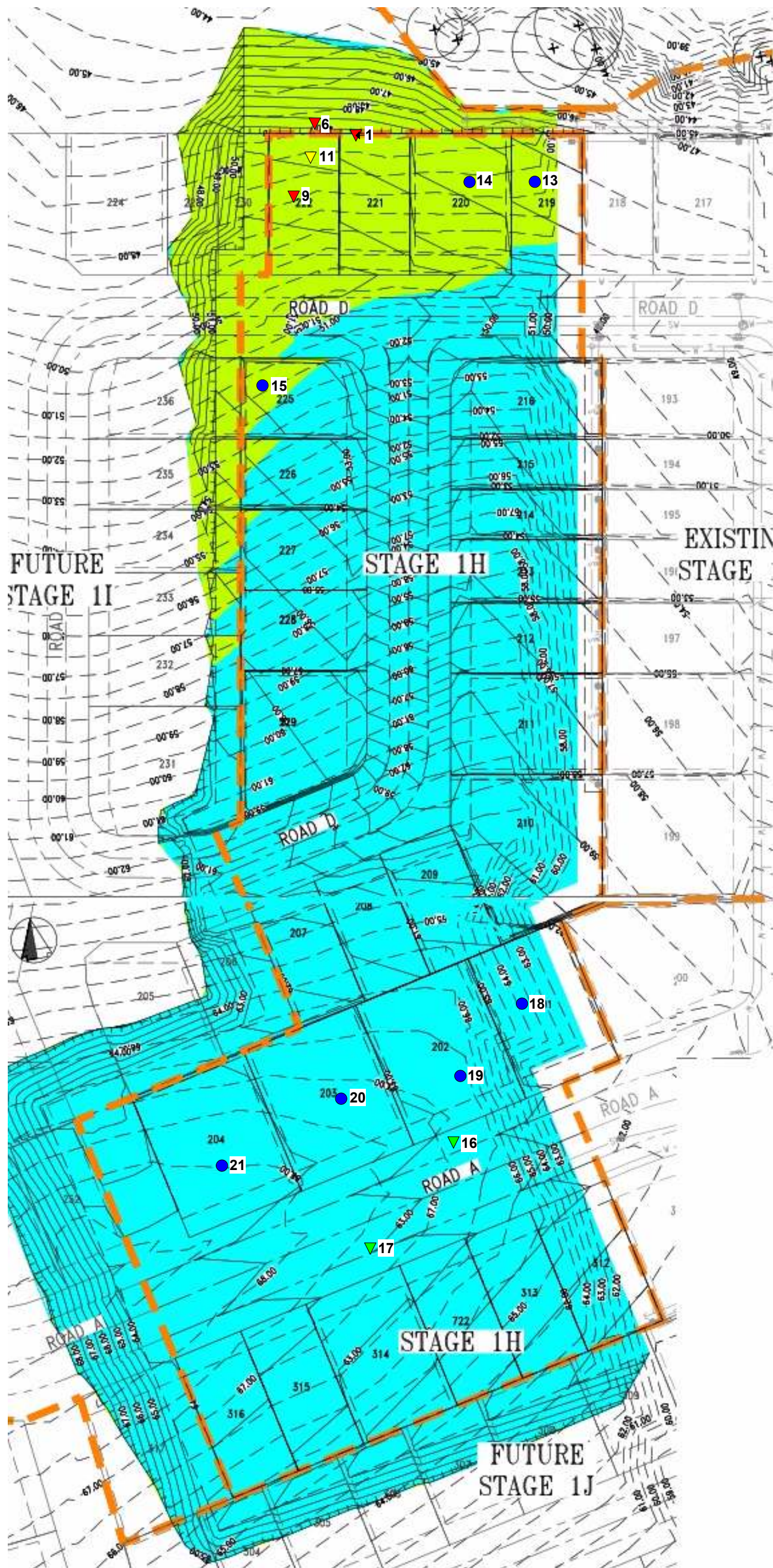
Appendix A – Site Plan Showing Test Locations

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APPENDIX A

SITE PLAN
TEST LOCATIONS



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Map Description :	EARTHWORKS FIELD DENSITY TESTING - Level 1 Inspection			
Client :	ALLROADS PTY LTD			
Project :	FLAGSTONE CITY STAGE 1H			
LEGEND :	<div> <div>▼ RL 40.00 - 49.99</div> <div>● Final Level</div> <div>▼ RL 50.00 - 59.99</div> <div>▼ RL 60.00 - 69.99</div> </div>			
Project No :	DL17/343	Drawing No :	DL17/343 - 01	Scale : Not to Scale

APPENDIX B

TEST REPORTS

Hilf Density Ratio Report

Client :	ALLROADS PTY LTD	Report Number:	DL17/343 - 1
Address :	P O BOX 4698, LOGANHOLME, QLD, 4129	Report Date :	18/08/2017
Project Name :	EARTHWORKS SUPERVISION	Order Number :	AR2210-SCA-001
Project Number :	DL17/343	Test Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1
Location:	FLAGSTONE CITY , STAGE 1H	Page 1 of 1	

Sample Number :	232807			
Test Number :	1			
Sampling Method :	-			
Date Sampled :	02/08/2017			
Date Tested :	02/08/2017			
Material Type :	General Fill			
Material Source :	On Site			
Lot Number :	-			
Sample Location :	E 33957.600 N 73605.700 RL 47.300			
Test Depth (mm) :	150			
Layer Depth (mm) :	-			
Maximum Size (mm) :	19			
Oversize Wet (%) :	-			
Oversize Dry (%) :	-			
Oversize Density (t/m ³) :	-			
Field Moisture Content (%) :	8.2			
Hilf MDR Number :	232807			
Hilf MDR Method :	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1			
Compactive Effort :	Standard			
Field Density Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1			
Moisture Method :	AS1289.2.1.1			
Moisture Ratio (%) :	81			
Field Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.068			
Optimum Moisture Content (%) :	10.2			
Moisture Variation :	2.0			
Peak Converted Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.108			
Hilf Density Ratio (%) :	98.0			
Minimum Specification :	95			
Moisture Specification :	-			
Site Selection :	-			
Soil Description :	-			
Remarks :	-			



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Hilf Density Ratio Report

Client :	ALLROADS PTY LTD	Report Number:	DL17/343 - 4R1
Address :	P O BOX 318, BROWNS PLAINS, QLD, 4118	Report Date :	06/12/2017
Project Name :	EARTHWORKS SUPERVISION	Order Number :	AR2210/SCA001
Project Number :	DL17/343	Test Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1
Location:	FLAGSTONE CITY , STAGE 1H	Page 1 of 1	

Sample Number :	233017			
Test Number :	9			
Sampling Method :	-			
Date Sampled :	07/08/2017			
Date Tested :	07/08/2017			
Material Type :	General Fill			
Material Source :	On Site			
Lot Number :	-			
Sample Location :	E 33943.410 N 73596.000 RL 49.200			
Test Depth (mm) :	150			
Layer Depth (mm) :	-			
Maximum Size (mm) :	19			
Oversize Wet (%) :	-			
Oversize Dry (%) :	-			
Oversize Density (t/m ³) :	-			
Field Moisture Content (%) :	10.0			
Hilf MDR Number :	233017			
Hilf MDR Method :	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1			
Compactive Effort :	Standard			
Field Density Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1			
Moisture Method :	AS1289.2.1.1			
Moisture Ratio (%) :	80			
Field Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.042			
Optimum Moisture Content (%) :	12.5			
Moisture Variation :	2.5			
Peak Converted Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.150			
Hilf Density Ratio (%) :	95.0			
Minimum Specification :	95			
Moisture Specification :	-			
Site Selection :	-			
Soil Description :	-			
Remarks :	This test report replaces DL17/343-4 dated 21/08/2017.			



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Client :	ALLROADS PTY LTD	Report Number:	DL17/343 - 5R1
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Project Name :	EARTHWORKS SUPERVISION	Order Number :	AR2210/SCA001
Project Number :	DL17/343	Test Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1
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Sample Number :	233243			
Test Number :	11			
Sampling Method :	-			
Date Sampled :	09/08/2017			
Date Tested :	09/08/2017			
Material Type :	General Fill			
Material Source :	On Site			
Lot Number :	-			
Sample Location :	E 33948.000 N 73603.000 RL 50.300			
Test Depth (mm) :	150			
Layer Depth (mm) :	-			
Maximum Size (mm) :	19			
Oversize Wet (%) :	-			
Oversize Dry (%) :	-			
Oversize Density (t/m ³) :	-			
Field Moisture Content (%) :	8.8			
Hilf MDR Number :	233243			
Hilf MDR Method :	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1			
Compactive Effort :	Standard			
Field Density Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1			
Moisture Method :	AS1289.2.1.1			
Moisture Ratio (%) :	83.5			
Field Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.159			
Optimum Moisture Content (%) :	10.5			
Moisture Variation :	1.8			
Peak Converted Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.124			
Hilf Density Ratio (%) :	101.5			
Minimum Specification :	95			
Moisture Specification :	-			
Site Selection :	-			
Soil Description :	-			
Remarks :	This test report replaces DL17/343-5 dated 26/08/2017.			



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Client :	ALLROADS PTY LTD	Report Number:	DL17/343 - 7
Address :	P O BOX 318, BROWNS PLAINS, QLD, 4118	Report Date :	09/01/2018
Project Name :	EARTHWORKS SUPERVISION	Order Number :	AR2210-SCA-001
Project Number :	DL17/343	Test Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1
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Sample Number :	239683	239684		
Test Number :	16	17		
Sampling Method :	-	-		
Date Sampled :	18/12/2017	18/12/2017		
Date Tested :	18/12/2017	18/12/2017		
Material Type :	General Fill	General Fill		
Material Source :	On Site	On Site		
Lot Number :	-	-		
Sample Location :	E 33941.950 N 73405.710 RL 62.23	E 33922.120 N 73388.040 RL 62.67		
Test Depth (mm) :	150	150		
Layer Depth (mm) :	-	-		
Maximum Size (mm) :	19	19		
Oversize Wet (%) :	-	-		
Oversize Dry (%) :	-	-		
Oversize Density (t/m ³) :	-	-		
Field Moisture Content (%) :	8.2	8.4		
Hilf MDR Number :	239683	239684		
Hilf MDR Method :	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1		
Compactive Effort :	Standard	Standard		
Field Density Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1		
Moisture Method :	AS1289.2.1.1	AS1289.2.1.1		
Moisture Ratio (%) :	75.5	83		
Field Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.114	2.165		
Optimum Moisture Content (%) :	10.8	10.1		
Moisture Variation :	2.6	1.8		
Peak Converted Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.141	2.118		
Hilf Density Ratio (%) :	98.5	102.0		
Minimum Specification :	95	95		
Moisture Specification :	-	-		
Site Selection :	-	-		
Soil Description :	-	-		
Remarks :	-			



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Project Name :	EARTHWORKS SUPERVISION	Order Number :	AR2210/SCA001
Project Number :	DL17/343	Test Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1
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Sample Number :	232926			
Test Number :	6			
Sampling Method :	-			
Date Sampled :	04/08/2017			
Date Tested :	04/08/2017			
Material Type :	General Fill			
Material Source :	On Site			
Lot Number :	-			
Sample Location :	E 33950.000 N 73609.500 RL 48.500			
Test Depth (mm) :	150			
Layer Depth (mm) :	-			
Maximum Size (mm) :	19			
Oversize Wet (%) :	-			
Oversize Dry (%) :	-			
Oversize Density (t/m ³) :	-			
Field Moisture Content (%) :	10.7			
Hilf MDR Number :	232926			
Hilf MDR Method :	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1			
Compactive Effort :	Standard			
Field Density Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1			
Moisture Method :	AS1289.2.1.1			
Moisture Ratio (%) :	102.5			
Field Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.125			
Optimum Moisture Content (%) :	10.4			
Moisture Variation :	-0.2			
Peak Converted Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.222			
Hilf Density Ratio (%) :	95.5			
Minimum Specification :	95			
Moisture Specification :	-			
Site Selection :	-			
Soil Description :	-			
Remarks :	This test report replaces DL17/343-3 dated 18/08/2017.			



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Project Name :	EARTHWORKS SUPERVISION	Order Number :	AR2210-SCA-001
Project Number :	DL17/343	Test Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1
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Sample Number :	238339	238340	238341	
Test Number :	13	14	15	
Sampling Method :	-	-	-	
Date Sampled :	23/11/2017	23/11/2017	23/11/2017	
Date Tested :	23/11/2017	23/11/2017	23/11/2017	
Material Type :	Allotment Fill	Allotment Fill	Allotment Fill	
Material Source :	On Site	On Site	On Site	
Lot Number :	219	220	225	
Sample Location :	Lot 219 3m From West Boundary 6m From North Boundary Final Level	Lot 220 6m From North Boundary 5m From East Boundary Final Level	Lot 225 3m From North Boundary 3m From West Boundary Final Level	
Test Depth (mm) :	150	150	150	
Layer Depth (mm) :	-	-	-	
Maximum Size (mm) :	19	19	19	
Oversize Wet (%) :	-	-	-	
Oversize Dry (%) :	-	-	-	
Oversize Density (t/m ³) :	-	-	-	
Field Moisture Content (%) :	8.3	9.5	9.3	
Hilf MDR Number :	238339	238340	238341	
Hilf MDR Method :	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1	
Compactive Effort :	Standard	Standard	Standard	
Field Density Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1	
Moisture Method :	AS1289.2.1.1	AS1289.2.1.1	AS1289.2.1.1	
Moisture Ratio (%) :	78.5	86	78.5	
Field Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.240	2.215	2.233	
Optimum Moisture Content (%) :	10.6	11.0	11.8	
Moisture Variation :	2.3	1.6	2.5	
Peak Converted Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.143	2.142	2.123	
Hilf Density Ratio (%) :	104.5	103.5	105.0	
Minimum Specification :	95	95	95	
Moisture Specification :	-	-	-	
Site Selection :	-	-	-	
Soil Description :	-	-	-	
Remarks :	-			



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Hilf Density Ratio Report

Client :	ALLROADS PTY LTD	Report Number:	DL17/343 - 8
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Project Name :	EARTHWORKS SUPERVISION	Order Number :	AR2275-SCA-001
Project Number :	DL17/343	Test Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1
Location:	FLAGSTONE CITY , STAGE 1H	Page 1 of 1	

Sample Number :	241512	241513	241514	241515
Test Number :	18	19	20	21
Sampling Method :	-	-	-	-
Date Sampled :	06/02/2018	06/02/2018	06/02/2018	06/02/2018
Date Tested :	06/02/2018	06/02/2018	06/02/2018	06/02/2018
Material Type :	Allotment Fill	Allotment Fill	Allotment Fill	Allotment Fill
Material Source :	On Site	On Site	On Site	On Site
Lot Number :	201	202	203	204
Sample Location :	Lot 201 8m From South Boundary 5m From West Boundary Final Level	Lot 202 6m From South Boundary 6m From East Boundary Final Level	Lot 203 9m From South Boundary 5m From West Boundary Final Level	Lot 204 6m From South Boundary 4m From West Boundary Final Level
Test Depth (mm) :	150	150	150	150
Layer Depth (mm) :	-	-	-	-
Maximum Size (mm) :	19	19	19	19
Oversize Wet (%) :	12	11	-	-
Oversize Dry (%) :	-	-	-	-
Oversize Density (t/m ³) :	2.409	2.380	-	-
Field Moisture Content (%) :	11.2	11.7	10.6	10.9
Hilf MDR Number :	241512	241513	241514	241515
Hilf MDR Method :	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.1.1 & 5.7.1
Compactive Effort :	Standard	Standard	Standard	Standard
Field Density Method :	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1	AS1289.5.8.1 & 5.7.1
Moisture Method :	AS1289.2.1.1	AS1289.2.1.1	AS1289.2.1.1	AS1289.2.1.1
Moisture Ratio (%) :	96	100	103	101
Field Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.230	2.271	2.192	2.189
Optimum Moisture Content (%) :	11.7	11.7	10.3	10.8
Moisture Variation :	0.4	0.0	-0.3	-0.1
Peak Converted Wet Density (t/m ³) :	2.253*	2.287*	2.240	2.254
Hilf Density Ratio (%) :	99.0	99.5	98.0	97.0
Minimum Specification :	95	95	95	95
Moisture Specification :	-	-	-	-
Site Selection :	-	-	-	-
Soil Description :	-	-	-	-
Remarks :	-			

* - denotes adjusted for oversize



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Important Information about Your Geotechnical Engineering Report

Subsurface problems are a principal cause of construction delays, cost overruns, claims, and disputes.

While you cannot eliminate all such risks, you can manage them. The following information is provided to help.

Geotechnical Services Are Performed for Specific Purposes, Persons, and Projects

Geotechnical engineers structure their services to meet the specific needs of their clients. A geotechnical engineering study conducted for a civil engineer may not fulfill the needs of a construction contractor or even another civil engineer. Because each geotechnical engineering study is unique, each geotechnical engineering report is unique, prepared *solely* for the client. No one except you should rely on your geotechnical engineering report without first conferring with the geotechnical engineer who prepared it. *And no one — not even you — should apply the report for any purpose or project except the one originally contemplated.*

Read the Full Report

Serious problems have occurred because those relying on a geotechnical engineering report did not read it all. Do not rely on an executive summary. Do not read selected elements only.

A Geotechnical Engineering Report Is Based on A Unique Set of Project-Specific Factors

Geotechnical engineers consider a number of unique, project-specific factors when establishing the scope of a study. Typical factors include: the client's goals, objectives, and risk management preferences; the general nature of the structure involved, its size, and configuration; the location of the structure on the site; and other planned or existing site improvements, such as access roads, parking lots, and underground utilities. Unless the geotechnical engineer who conducted the study specifically indicates otherwise, do not rely on a geotechnical engineering report that was:

- not prepared for you,
- not prepared for your project,
- not prepared for the specific site explored, or
- completed before important project changes were made.

Typical changes that can erode the reliability of an existing geotechnical engineering report include those that affect:

- the function of the proposed structure, as when it's changed from a parking garage to an office building, or from a light industrial plant to a refrigerated warehouse,

- elevation, configuration, location, orientation, or weight of the proposed structure,
- composition of the design team, or
- project ownership.

As a general rule, *always* inform your geotechnical engineer of project changes—even minor ones—and request an assessment of their impact. *Geotechnical engineers cannot accept responsibility or liability for problems that occur because their reports do not consider developments of which they were not informed.*

Subsurface Conditions Can Change

A geotechnical engineering report is based on conditions that existed at the time the study was performed. *Do not rely on a geotechnical engineering report* whose adequacy may have been affected by: the passage of time; by man-made events, such as construction on or adjacent to the site; or by natural events, such as floods, earthquakes, or groundwater fluctuations. *Always* contact the geotechnical engineer before applying the report to determine if it is still reliable. A minor amount of additional testing or analysis could prevent major problems.

Most Geotechnical Findings Are Professional Opinions

Site exploration identifies subsurface conditions only at those points where subsurface tests are conducted or samples are taken. Geotechnical engineers review field and laboratory data and then apply their professional judgment to render an opinion about subsurface conditions throughout the site. Actual subsurface conditions may differ—sometimes significantly—from those indicated in your report. Retaining the geotechnical engineer who developed your report to provide construction observation is the most effective method of managing the risks associated with unanticipated conditions.

A Report's Recommendations Are *Not* Final

Do not overrely on the construction recommendations included in your report. *Those recommendations are not final*, because geotechnical engineers develop them principally from judgment and opinion. Geotechnical engineers can finalize their recommendations only by observing actual

subsurface conditions revealed during construction. *The geotechnical engineer who developed your report cannot assume responsibility or liability for the report's recommendations if that engineer does not perform construction observation.*

A Geotechnical Engineering Report Is Subject to Misinterpretation

Other design team members' misinterpretation of geotechnical engineering reports has resulted in costly problems. Lower that risk by having your geotechnical engineer confer with appropriate members of the design team after submitting the report. Also retain your geotechnical engineer to review pertinent elements of the design team's plans and specifications. Contractors can also misinterpret a geotechnical engineering report. Reduce that risk by having your geotechnical engineer participate in prebid and preconstruction conferences, and by providing construction observation.

Do Not Redraw the Engineer's Logs

Geotechnical engineers prepare final boring and testing logs based upon their interpretation of field logs and laboratory data. To prevent errors or omissions, the logs included in a geotechnical engineering report should *never* be redrawn for inclusion in architectural or other design drawings. Only photographic or electronic reproduction is acceptable, *but recognize that separating logs from the report can elevate risk.*

Give Contractors a Complete Report and Guidance

Some owners and design professionals mistakenly believe they can make contractors liable for unanticipated subsurface conditions by limiting what they provide for bid preparation. To help prevent costly problems, give contractors the complete geotechnical engineering report, *but* preface it with a clearly written letter of transmittal. In that letter, advise contractors that the report was not prepared for purposes of bid development and that the report's accuracy is limited; encourage them to confer with the geotechnical engineer who prepared the report (a modest fee may be required) and/or to conduct additional study to obtain the specific types of information they need or prefer. A prebid conference can also be valuable. *Be sure contractors have sufficient time to perform additional study.* Only then might you be in a position to give contractors the best information available to you, while requiring them to at least share some of the financial responsibilities stemming from unanticipated conditions.

Read Responsibility Provisions Closely

Some clients, design professionals, and contractors do not recognize that geotechnical engineering is far less exact than other engineering disciplines. This lack of understanding has created unrealistic expectations that

have led to disappointments, claims, and disputes. To help reduce the risk of such outcomes, geotechnical engineers commonly include a variety of explanatory provisions in their reports. Sometimes labeled "limitations" many of these provisions indicate where geotechnical engineers' responsibilities begin and end, to help others recognize their own responsibilities and risks. *Read these provisions closely.* Ask questions. Your geotechnical engineer should respond fully and frankly.

Geoenvironmental Concerns Are Not Covered

The equipment, techniques, and personnel used to perform a *geoenvironmental* study differ significantly from those used to perform a *geotechnical* study. For that reason, a geotechnical engineering report does not usually relate any geoenvironmental findings, conclusions, or recommendations; e.g., about the likelihood of encountering underground storage tanks or regulated contaminants. *Unanticipated environmental problems have led to numerous project failures.* If you have not yet obtained your own geoenvironmental information, ask your geotechnical consultant for risk management guidance. *Do not rely on an environmental report prepared for someone else.*

Obtain Professional Assistance To Deal with Mold

Diverse strategies can be applied during building design, construction, operation, and maintenance to prevent significant amounts of mold from growing on indoor surfaces. To be effective, all such strategies should be devised for the *express purpose* of mold prevention, integrated into a comprehensive plan, and executed with diligent oversight by a professional mold prevention consultant. Because just a small amount of water or moisture can lead to the development of severe mold infestations, a number of mold prevention strategies focus on keeping building surfaces dry. While groundwater, water infiltration, and similar issues may have been addressed as part of the geotechnical engineering study whose findings are conveyed in this report, the geotechnical engineer in charge of this project is not a mold prevention consultant; ***none of the services performed in connection with the geotechnical engineer's study were designed or conducted for the purpose of mold prevention. Proper implementation of the recommendations conveyed in this report will not of itself be sufficient to prevent mold from growing in or on the structure involved.***

Rely, on Your ASFE-Member Geotechnical Engineer for Additional Assistance

Membership in ASFE/THE BEST PEOPLE ON EARTH exposes geotechnical engineers to a wide array of risk management techniques that can be of genuine benefit for everyone involved with a construction project. Confer with your ASFE-member geotechnical engineer for more information.



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