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Dear Client,

At your request, Quality Geo NW, PLLC (QG) has completed a geotechnical investigation of the above referenced project. The investigation was performed in accordance with our proposal for professional services.

We would be pleased to continue our role as your geotechnical consultant of record during the project planning and construction phases, as local inspection firms have not been found to be as familiar or reliably experienced with geotechnical design. This may include soil subgrade inspections, periodic review of special inspection reports, or supplemental recommendations if changes occur during construction. We will happily meet with you at your convenience to discuss these and other additional *Time & Materials* services.

We thank you for the opportunity to be of service on this project and trust this report satisfies your project needs currently. QG wishes you the best while completing the project.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report presents the findings and recommendations of Quality Geo NW's (QG) soil investigation conducted in support of new site surface improvements.

1.1 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

QG understands the project entails new construction within a presently undeveloped parcel. Exterior improvements are anticipated to include infrastructure for auto access and parking, flatworks, and other necessary site amenities. QG has been contracted to perform a soils investigation of the proposed site to provide stormwater and earthwork recommendations.

1.2 FIELD WORK

Site exploration activities were performed on 7/21/2022. Exploration locations were marked in the field by a QG Staff Geologist with respect to the provided map and cleared for public conductible utilities. Our exploration locations were selected by an QG Staff Geologist prior to field work to provide safest access to relevant soil conditions. The geologist directed the advancement of 9 Test Pits (TP). The TPs were advanced within the vicinity of the anticipated development footprint areas, each to a depth of approximately 9 feet below present grade, in general accordance with the specified contract depth. SPT blow counts were recorded during borehole advancement.

During explorations QG logged each soil horizon we encountered, and field classified them in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). Representative soil samples were collected from each unit, identified according to boring location and depth, placed in plastic bags to protect against moisture loss, and were transported to the soil laboratory for supplemental classification and other tests.

An aerial site plan with relevant features is presented in Appendix B.

2.0 EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS

2.1 AREA GEOLOGY

QG reviewed available map publications to assess known geologic conditions and hazards present at the site location. The Washington Geologic Information Portal (WGIP), maintained by the Department of Natural Resources Division of Geology and Earth Resources, provides 1:100,000-scale geologic mapping of the region. Geology of the site location and vicinity consists of Tertiary sedimentary rocks and deposits (PLcg(t)). The PLcg(t) deposits on site are described as “Coarse sand and gravel; moderately to highly weathered and poorly indurated stream terrace deposits; includes mainstream facies that is associated with the main stem of the Yakima River, contains rounded to subrounded clasts of durable silicic to intermediate volcanic rocks, and occurs as high fluvial terraces.”

The WGIP Map also offers layers of mapped geohazard conditions within the state. According to the regional-scale interactive map, no known geohazards are mapped for the site.

The United States Department of Agriculture portal (USDA) provides a soil mapping of the region. The soils in the vicinity are mapped as Selah loam (517), Terlan gravelly loam (524), Manastash loam (623), and Terlan-Durtash-Selah Complex (787). The Terlan-Durtash-Selah Complex makes up the southern half of the site. These are formed by alluvial fans and the parent material for these deposits is loess over alluvium deposits. The soils are described as gravelly loam from 0 to 7 inches, gravelly clay loam from 7 to 15 inches, very gravelly loam from 15 to 18 inches, and cemented material from 18 to 60+ inches. Depth to restrictive feature is 10 to 20 inches duripan. Capacity of most limiting layer to transmit water (ksat), is listed as high to very low to moderately low (0.00 to 0.06 in/hr). Depth to water table is more than 80 inches.

2.2 SITE & SURFACE CONDITIONS

The project area is relatively flat, near the same elevation as the adjacent road. The site is currently undeveloped. The parcels are mostly covered with grasses.

2.3 SOIL LOG

Site soil conditions were generally identical across the property in all 9 test pits. Representative lab samples were taken from TP-1 and TP-9. Soil conditions on site were as follows:

- **0' to 3.0' – Silty Sand (SM)**

An overriding 3-foot layer of silty sand, with minor organics and moderate fines content is over most of the site.

- **3.0' to 9.0' – Sandstone (SS)**

Beneath the silty sand layer is a sandstone unit. The layer is orange to tan color, moist, with minor organics and cobble, very dense. Native sediments resemble mapped sedimentary deposits. No groundwater was encountered within this unit or any test pits down to maximum depth of 9.0 feet below present grade.

2.4 SURFACE WATER AND GROUNDWATER CONDITIONS

No active surface water features are present on site. In the near vicinity, is Park Creek approximately ~1900 ft to the south. During our boring explorations, no pervasive groundwater table was encountered. There is no shallow groundwater table is inferred to exist beneath the entire site, based on well logs made publicly available by the WA Department of Ecology.

QG's scope of work did not include determination or monitoring of seasonal groundwater elevation variations, formal documentation of wet season site conditions, or conclusive measurement of groundwater elevations at depths past the extent feasible for explorations at the time of the field explorations.

3.0 GEOTECHNICAL RECOMMENDATIONS

QG recommends excavating loose or organic cover soils down to firm bearing conditions expected within 3.0 feet from the surface. As the variability in subgrade support between consolidated sedimentary deposits and weathered medium dense cover soils may result in differential settlement, QG recommends that foundations be placed on approved, **12-inches of compacted structural fill** installed over these compacted soils to achieve footing grade.

Assuming site preparation is completed as described above, we recommend the following:

- **Subgrade Preparation**

QG recommends excavating and clearing any loose or organic cover soils, including the thin overriding layer of topsoil where necessary, from areas of proposed pavement construction, down to firm bearing conditions and benching the final bottom of subgrade elevation flat. Excavations should be performed with a smooth blade bucket to limit disturbance of subgrade soils. Vibratory compaction methods are suitable for densification of the non-organic native soils.

After excavations have been completed to the planned subgrade elevations, but before placing fill or structural elements, the exposed subgrade should be evaluated under the periodic guidance of a QG representative. Any areas that are identified as being soft or yielding during subgrade evaluation should be brought to the attention of the geotechnical engineer. Where over excavation is performed below a structure, the over excavation area should extend beyond the outside of the footing a distance equal to the depth of the over excavation below the footing. The over excavated areas should be backfilled with properly compacted structural fill.

The proposed buildings may utilize either stepped or continuous footings with slab-on-grade elements. For continuous footing elements, upon reaching bearing strata, we recommend benching foundation lines flat. Continuous perimeter and strip foundations may be stepped as needed to accommodate variations in final subgrade level. We also recommend maximum steps of 18 inches with spacing of at least 5 feet be constructed unless specified otherwise by the design engineer. Structural fill may then be placed as needed to reestablish final foundation grade.

- **Allowable Bearing Capacity:**

Up to 1,500 pounds per square foot (psf) for foundations placed on **12-inches of compacted structural fill** over compacted native soils placed in accordance with the recommendations of *Section 4.2*. Bearing capacities, at or below 1,500 psf may eliminate the need for additional inspection requirements if approved by the county. The allowable bearing capacity may be increased by 1/3 for transient loading due to wind and seismic events.

- **Minimum Footing Depth:**

For a shallow perimeter and spread footing system, all exterior footings shall be embedded a minimum of 18 inches and all interior footings shall be embedded a minimum of 12 inches below the lowest adjacent finished grade, but not less than the depth required by design. However, all footings must also penetrate to the prescribed bearing stratum cited above. Minimum depths are referenced per IBC requirements for frost protection; other design concerns may dictate greater values be applied.

- **Minimum Footing Width:**

Footings should be proportioned to meet the stated bearing capacity and/or the IBC 2012 (or current) minimum requirements. For a shallow perimeter and spread footing system, continuous strip footings should be a minimum of 16 inches wide and interior or isolated column footings should be a minimum of 24 inches wide.

- **Estimated Settlements:**

All concrete settles after placement. We estimate that the maximum settlements will be on the order of 0.5 inch, or less, with a differential settlement of ½ inch, or less, over 50 linear feet. Settlement is anticipated to occur soon after the load is applied during construction.

3.1.1 BUILDING SLAB ON GRADE FLOOR

QG anticipates that slab-on-grade floors are planned for the interior of the proposed building. Based on typical construction practices, we assume finished slab grade will be similar to or marginally above present grade for the below recommendations. If floor grades are planned to be substantially raised or lowered from existing grade, QG should be contacted to provide revised or alternative recommendations.

- **Capillary Break:**

A capillary break will be helpful to maintain a dry slab floor and reduce the potential for floor damage resulting from shallow perched water inundation. To provide a capillary moisture break, a 6-inch thick, properly compacted granular mat consisting of open-graded, free-draining angular aggregate is recommended below floor slabs. To provide additional slab structural support, or to substitute for a structural fill base pad where specified, QG recommends the capillary break should consist of crushed rock all passing the 1-inch sieve and no more than 3 percent (by weight) passing the U.S. No. #4 sieve, compacted in accordance with *Section 5.2.2* of this report.

- **Vapor Barrier:**

A vapor retarding membrane such as 10 mil polyethylene film should be placed beneath all floor slabs to prevent transmission of moisture where floor coverings may be affected. Care should be taken during construction not to puncture or damage the membrane. To protect the membrane, a layer of sand no more than 2 inches thick may be placed over the membrane if desired. If excessive relict organic fill material is discovered at any location, additional sealant or more industrial gas barriers may be required to prevent off-gassing of decaying material from infiltrating the new structure. These measures shall be determined by the structural engineer to meet local code requirements as necessary.

- **Structural Design Considerations:**

QG assumes design and specifications of slabs will be assessed by the project design engineer. We suggest a minimum unreinforced concrete structural section of 4.0 inches be considered to help protect against cracking and localized settlement, especially where larger equipment or localized loads are anticipated. It is generally recommended that any floor slabs and annular exterior concrete paving subject to vehicular loading be designed to incorporate reinforcing. Additionally, some level of reinforcing, such as a wire mesh may be desirable to prolong slab life due to the overwhelming presence of such poor underlying soils. It should be noted that QG does not express any guarantee or warranty for proposed slab sections.

3.1.2 DRAINAGE RECOMMENDATIONS

QG recommends proper drainage controls for stormwater runoff during and after site development to protect the site. The ground surface adjacent to structures should be sloped to drain away at a 5% minimum to prevent ponding of water adjacent to them.

QG recommends all stormwater catchments (new or existing) be tightlined (piped) away from structures to an existing catch basin, stormwater system, established channel, or approved outfall to be released using appropriate energy-dissipating features at the outfall to minimize point erosion. Roof and footing drains should be tightlined separately or should be gathered in an appropriately sized catch basin structure and redistributed collectively. If storm drains are incorporated for impervious flatworks (driveways, sidewalks, etc.) collected waters should also be discharged according to the above recommendations. Based on our observations of a shallow groundwater table, appropriate measures should be taken by the site designer to consider and allow for an adequate emergency outfall location in the event of future record stormwater fall that cannot be anticipated.

3.1.3 GRADATION ANALYSIS METHODS & RESULTS

During test pit excavations for general site investigation, QG additionally collected representative samples of native soil deposits among potential infiltration strata and depths. Representative soil samples were selected throughout portions of the site (TP-1, TP-9) to characterize the local infiltration conditions.

We understand the project will be subject to infiltration design based on the Washington Department of Ecology Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington (DoE SMMWW). For initial site infiltration characterization within the scope of this study, laboratory gradation analyses were completed including sieve and hydrometer tests for stormwater design characterization and rate determination to supplement field observations. Results of laboratory testing in terms of rate calculation are summarized below.

Laboratory results were interpreted to recommended design inputs in accordance with methods of the 2019 DoE SMMWW. Gradation results were applied to the Massmann (2003) equation (1) to calculate Ksat representing the initial saturated hydraulic conductivity.

$$(1) \quad \log_{10}(K_{sat}) = -1.57 + 1.90 \cdot D_{10} + 0.015 \cdot D_{60} - 0.013 \cdot D_{90} - 2.08 \cdot ff$$

Corrected Ksat values presented below are a product of the initial Ksat and correction factor CFT. For a generalized site-wide design situation, we have applied a site variability factor of CFv = 0.7 along with typical values of CFt = 0.4 (for the Grain Size Method) and CFm = 0.9 (assuming standard influent control).

$$(2) \quad CFT = CF_v \times CF_t \times CF_m = 0.7 \times 0.4 \times 0.9 = 0.25$$

Results were cross-referenced with test pit logs to determine the validity and suitability of unique materials as an infiltration receptor. Additional reduction factors were applied for practical rate determination based on our professional judgement.

Table 1. Results Of Massmann Analysis

TP #	Sample Depth (BPG)	Unit Extent (ft)	Soil Type	D10	D60	D90	Fines (%)	Ksat (in/hr)	Correct ed Ksat (in/hr)	LT Design Infiltration Rate(in/hr)	Cation Exchange Capacity (meq/100g)	Organic Content %
1	2.5	0 to 3.0	SM	0.005	0.15	0.50	45.6	4.35	1.09	1.09	14.1	1.7
9	6.0	4.0 to 9.0	SM	0.003	0.13	0.35	42.5	5.02	1.25	1.25	25.9	2.5

The upper silty sand layer above the sandstone is brown, observed to generally exhibit excessive fines content and minimal oxidation patterns. The lower silty sand soils found below the sandstone in TP-9 also exhibited excessive fines content. In-ground infiltration structures are required to maintain a minimum separation from restrictive soil & perched water features. Available well logs did not

indicate the potential for shallow ground water. The required separation **does not** appear achievable across the site, due to the highly compacted sedimentary deposits. At this time, QG does not recommend mounding analysis due to the generally suitable site conditions.

QG recommends the designer pursue shallow infiltration structures instead, such as bio swales, rain gardens, pervious pavements, etc. For shallow infiltration features utilizing treatment media, we recommend a maximum design rate of up to 1.09 inches/hour be considered, which is typically suitable for most shallow infiltration features. These rates are considered applicable to all areas of the subject site at the specified depths.

QG recommends the facility designer review these results and stated assumptions per reference literature to ensure applicability with the proposed development, level of anticipated controls, and long-term maintenance plan. The designer may make reasonable adjustments to correction factors and the resulting design values based on these criteria to ensure design and operational intent is met. We recommend that we be contacted if substantial changes to rate determination are considered.

3.1.4 TREATMENT POTENTIAL

Depending on stormwater and runoff sources, some stormwater features, such as rain gardens or pervious pavements may require treatment. Stormwater facilities utilizing native soils as treatment media typically require Cation Exchange Capacities (CEC) of greater than 5 milliequivalents per 100grams (meq/100g) and organic contents greater than 1% (this may vary depending on local code). The silty sand soils across the site **did** meet the minimum treatment standards.

3.2 IMPERVIOUS PAVEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Exploration results indicate that the native and fill soil deposits are in a typically soft state and fine-grained components can be expected to hinder compaction. Therefore, QG recommends applying a conservative bulk CBR value of 2.0 for pavement design, based on observed soft and loose shallow soil conditions at likely subgrade depths.

Due to the variability of the soil conditions ranging from a silty sand with excessive fines content to a sandstone type material. The client will likely utilize multiple options to overcome these soil conditions. Where the bed rock is shallow, it would be more efficient to utilize structural fill of the sandstone. Where the over burden is thicker than 24-inches, it will be more cost effective to utilize geo grid instead of over excavating down to the sandstone material. Revised pavement sections were derived assuming the incorporation of commonly available Tensar Technology TriAx TX160 geogrid, representing a standard level of geotextile application, or an equivalent product. Geogrid materials shall be placed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended instructions.

The following table summarizes the proposed new minimum pavement sections.

Table 1. Summary of Minimum Flexible Pavement Sections

Scenario	Pavement	CSTC	Gravel Base	Geogrid*
Heavy Pavement Section	4 inches	2 inches	10 inches	Where over-ex exceeds 24-inches
Car Access and Parking	3 inches	2 inches	8 inches	Where over-ex exceeds 24-inches

*Tensor Technology – TriAx TX160 geogrid placed directly above subgrade per the manufacturer’s specifications, or an approved alternative.

Existing soils at the new bottom subgrade level should be graded level with minimal disturbance, in an effort to prevent degradation. Smooth bladed equipment should be used for final grading. For any saturated, organic rich, or deteriorated soils encountered, unsuitable soils shall be removed and replaced with approved compacted imported structural fill. This will provide an even surface for paving application that will also serve as additional support to the flexible pavement sections that can increase design life and reduce repair regularity in the long term.

One of the important considerations in designing a high-quality and durable pavement is providing adequate drainage. Drainage design for the proposed pavement section is outside of the scope of QG for this project. It is important that bird baths (leeching basins) and surface waves are not created during construction of the HMA layer. A proper slope should be allowed, and drainage should be provided along the edges of pavements and around catch basins to prevent the accumulation of free water within the base course, which otherwise may result in subgrade softening and pavement deterioration under exposure and repeated traffic conditions.

All pavements require regular maintenance and repair in order to maintain the serviceability of the pavement. These repairs and maintenance are due to normal wear and tear of the pavement surface and are required in order to extend the serviceability life of the pavement. However, after 10 years of service, a normal pavement structure is likely to deteriorate to a point where pavement rehabilitation may be required to maintain the serviceability. The deterioration is more likely if the pavement is constructed over poor subgrade soils or in area of higher traffic volumes.

These calculated sections should be considered preliminary until verifying the parameters, traffic loading, and assumed grading are applicable to final project design. We recommend pavement sections be reviewed by the civil designer, who may apply an alternative section for final project use based on the conditions reported herein and final design and construction preferences.

3.2.1 RIGID CONCRETE PAVEMENT AND FLATWORKS

Rigid pavement components are commonly utilized for portions of accesses and ancillary exterior improvements. The project civil designer may re-evaluate the below general recommendations for

pavement thicknesses and base sections, if necessary, to ensure proper application to a given structure and use. QG recommends that we be contacted for further consultation if the below sections are proposed to be reduced.

Concrete driveway aprons and curb alignments, if utilized, should consist of a minimum 6-inch thickness of unreinforced concrete pavement over structural base fill. Base thickness should correspond to related location and anticipated traffic loading. For light traffic areas, a 6-inch minimum base thickness (total 12-inch section) can be applied. For heavy traffic zones, we recommend allotting a 12- inch minimum base section beneath the pavement over geogrid, and the incorporation of reinforcing steel in the concrete.

For other paved areas which experience repeated truck traffic, equipment or truck parking areas, entrances and exit aprons, or contain trash dumpster loading zones, a Portland Cement Concrete (PCC) pavement should be used. The PCC layer thickness is recommended to be 8.0 inches with a minimum of 6.0 inches thick crushed stone base course over geogrid but may be modified depending on the final design. The reinforcement details for PCC layers should be designed by the project design engineer as the project conditions dictate.

Concrete sidewalks, walkways and patios if present may consist of a minimum 4-inch section of plain concrete (unreinforced) installed over a 6-inch minimum compacted base of crushed rock. At locations where grade has been raised with structural fill, a 4-inch minimum crushed rock section may be used. Flatworks should employ frequent joint controls to limit cracking potential.

Specifications for concrete aprons and flatworks can be predetermined by the local municipality and may conflict with the above. In this case, we recommend either adhering to the more stringent option, or contacting QG for clarification.

4.0 CONSTRUCTION RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 EARTHWORK

4.1.1 GRADING & EXCAVATION

A grading plan was not available to QG at the time of this report. However, based on provided conceptual plans, this study assumes finished site grade will approximate current grade. Therefore, depths referred to in this report are considered roughly equivalent to final depths. Excavations can generally be performed with conventional earthmoving equipment such as bulldozers, scrapers, and excavators.

4.1.2 SUBGRADE EVALUATION & PREPARATION

After excavations have been completed to the planned subgrade elevations, but before placing fill or structural elements, the exposed subgrade should be evaluated under the part-time observation and guidance of an QG representative.

The special inspection firm should continuously evaluate all backfilling. Any areas that are identified as being soft or yielding during subgrade evaluation should be over excavated to a firm and unyielding condition or to the depth determined by the geotechnical engineer. Where over excavation is performed below a structure, the over excavation area should extend beyond the outside of the footing a distance equal to the depth of the over excavation below the footing. The over excavated areas should be backfilled with properly compacted structural fill.

4.1.3 SITE PREPARATION, EROSION CONTROLL, WET WEATHER

Any silty or organic rich native soils may be moisture-sensitive and become soft and difficult to traverse with construction equipment when wet. During wet weather, the contractor should take measures to protect any exposed soil subgrades, limit construction traffic during earthwork activities, and limit machine use only to areas undergoing active preparation.

Once the geotechnical engineer has approved subgrade, further measures should be implemented to prevent degradation or disturbance of the subgrade. These measures could include, but are not limited to, placing a layer of crushed rock or lean concrete on the exposed subgrade, or covering the exposed subgrade with a plastic tarp and keeping construction traffic off the subgrade. Once subgrade has been approved, any disturbance because the subgrade was not protected should be repaired by the contractor at no cost to the owner.

During wet weather, earthen berms or other methods should be used to prevent runoff from draining into excavations. All runoffs should be collected and disposed of properly. Measures may also be

required to reduce the moisture content of on-site soils in the event of wet weather. These measures can include, but are not limited to, air drying and soil amendment, etc.

QG recommends earthwork activities take place during the summer dry season.

4.2 STRUCTURAL FILL MATERIALS AND COMPACTION

4.2.1 MATERIALS

All material placed below structures or pavement areas should be considered structural fill. Excavated native soils may be considered suitable for reuse as structural fill on a case-by-case basis. Imported material can also be used as structural fill. Care should be taken by the earthwork contractor during grading to avoid contaminating stockpiled soils that are planned for reuse as structural fill with native organic materials. Frozen soil is not suitable for use as structural fill. Fill material may not be placed on frozen soil.

Structural fill material shall be free of deleterious materials, have a maximum particle size of 4 inches, and be compactable to the required compaction level. Imported structural fill material should conform to the WSDOT manual Section 9-03.14(1) Gravel Borrow, or an approved alternative import material. Controlled-density fill (CDF) or lean mix concrete can be used as an alternative to structural fill materials, except in areas where free-draining materials are required or specified.

Imported materials utilized for trench back fill shall conform to Section 9-03.19, Trench Backfill, of the most recent edition (at the time of construction) of the State of Washington Department of Transportation *Standard Specifications for Road, Bridge, and Municipal Construction (WSDOT Standard Specifications)*. Imported materials utilize as grade fill beneath roads shall conform to WSDOT Section 9-03.10, Gravel Base.

Pipe bedding material should conform to the manufacturer's recommendations and be worked around the pipe to provide uniform support. Cobbles exposed in the bottom of utility excavations should be covered with pipe bedding or removed to avoid inducing concentrated stresses on the pipe.

Soils with fines content near or greater than 10% fines content may likely be moisture sensitive and become difficult to use during wet weather. Care should be taken by the earthwork contractor during grading to avoid contaminating stockpiled soils that are planned for reuse as structural fill with native organic materials.

The contractor should submit samples of each of the required earthwork materials to the materials testing lab for evaluation and approval prior to delivery to the site. The samples should be submitted **at least 5 days prior to their delivery** and sufficiently in advance of the work to allow the contractor to identify alternative sources if the material proves unsatisfactory.

4.2.2 FILL PLACEMENT AND COMPACTION

For lateral and bearing support, structural fill placement below footings shall extend at minimum a distance past each edge of the base of the footing equal to the depth of structural fill placed below the footing [i.e. extending at least a 1H:1V past both the interior and the exterior of the concrete footing].

Prior to placement and compaction, structural fill should be moisture conditioned to within 3 percent of its optimum moisture content. Loose lifts of structural fill shall not exceed 12 inches in thickness. All structural fill shall be compacted to a firm and unyielding condition and to a minimum percent compaction based on its modified Proctor maximum dry density as determined per ASTM D1557. Structural fill placed beneath each of the following shall be compacted to the indicated percent compaction:

- Foundation and Floor Slab Subgrades: 95 Percent
- Pavement Subgrades & wall backfill (upper 2 feet): 95 Percent
- Pavement Subgrades & wall backfill (below 2 feet): 90 Percent
- Utility Trenches (upper 4 feet): 95 Percent
- Utility Trenches (below 4 feet): 90 Percent

A sufficient number of tests should be performed to verify compaction of each lift. The number of tests required will vary depending on the fill material, its moisture condition and the equipment being used. Initially, more frequent tests will be required while the contractor establishes the means and methods required to achieve proper compaction.

Jetting or flooding is not a substitute for mechanical compaction and should not be allowed.

4.3 TEMPORARY EXCAVATIONS AND TRENCHES

All excavations and trenches must comply with applicable local, state, and federal safety regulations. Construction site safety is the sole responsibility of the Contractor, who shall also be solely responsible for the means, methods, and sequencing of construction operations. We are providing soil type information solely as a service to our client for planning purposes. Under no circumstances should the information be interpreted to mean that QG is assuming responsibility for construction site safety or the Contractor's activities; such responsibility is not being implied and should not be inferred. The contractor shall be responsible for the safety of personnel working in utility trenches. Given that steep excavations in native soils may be prone to caving, we recommend all utility trenches, but particularly those greater than 4 feet in depth, be supported in accordance with state and federal safety regulations. Heavy construction equipment, building materials, excavated soil, and vehicular traffic should not be allowed near the top of any excavation.

Temporary excavations and trenches should be protected from the elements by covering with plastic sheeting or some other similar impermeable material. Sheeting sections should overlap by at least 12 inches and be tightly secured with sandbags, tires, staking, or other means to prevent wind from exposing the soils under the sheeting.

5.0 SPECIAL INSPECTION

The recommendations made in this report assume that an adequate program of tests and observations will be made throughout construction to verify compliance with these recommendations. Testing and observations performed during construction should include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

- Geotechnical plan review and engineering consultation as needed prior to construction phase,
- Observations and testing during site preparation, earthwork, structural fill, and pavement section placement,
- Consultation on temporary excavation cutslopes and shoring if needed,
- Consultation as necessary during construction.

QG recommends that a local and reputable materials testing & inspection firm be retained for construction phase testing and observation in accordance with the local code requirements. We also strongly recommend that QG be retained as the project Geotechnical Engineering Firm of Record (GER) during the construction of this project to perform periodic supplementary geotechnical observations and review the special inspectors reports during construction.

Our knowledge of the project site and the design recommendations contained herein will be of great benefit in the event that difficulties arise and either modifications or additional geotechnical engineering recommendations are required or desired. We can also, in a timely fashion observe the actual soil conditions encountered during construction, evaluate the applicability of the recommendations presented in this report to the soil conditions encountered, and recommend appropriate changes in design or construction procedures if conditions differ from those described herein.

We would be pleased to meet with you at your convenience to discuss the *Time & Materials* scope and cost for these services.

6.0 LIMITATIONS

Upon acceptance and use of this report, and its interpretations and recommendations, the user shall agree to indemnify and hold harmless QG, including its owners, employees and subcontractors, from any adverse effects resulting from development and occupation of the subject site. Ultimately, it is the owner's choice to develop and live in such an area of possible geohazards (which exist in perpetuity across the earth in one form or another), and therefore the future consequences, both anticipated and unknown, are solely the responsibility of the owner. By using this report for development of the subject property, the owner must accept and understand that it is not possible to fully anticipate all inherent risks of development. The recommendations provided above are intended to reduce (but may not eliminate) such risks.

This report does not represent a construction specification or engineered plan and shall not be used or referenced as such. The information included in this report should be considered supplemental to the requirements contained in the project plans & specifications and should be read in conjunction with the above referenced information. The selected recommendations presented in this report are intended to inform only the specific corresponding subjects. All other requirements of the above-mentioned items remain valid, unless otherwise specified.

Recommendations contained in this report are based on our understanding of the proposed development and construction activities, field observations and explorations, and laboratory test results. It is possible that soil and groundwater conditions could vary and differ between or beyond the points explored. If soil or groundwater conditions are encountered during construction that differ from those described herein, or if the scope of the proposed construction changes from that described in this report, QG should be notified immediately in order to review and provide supplemental recommendations.

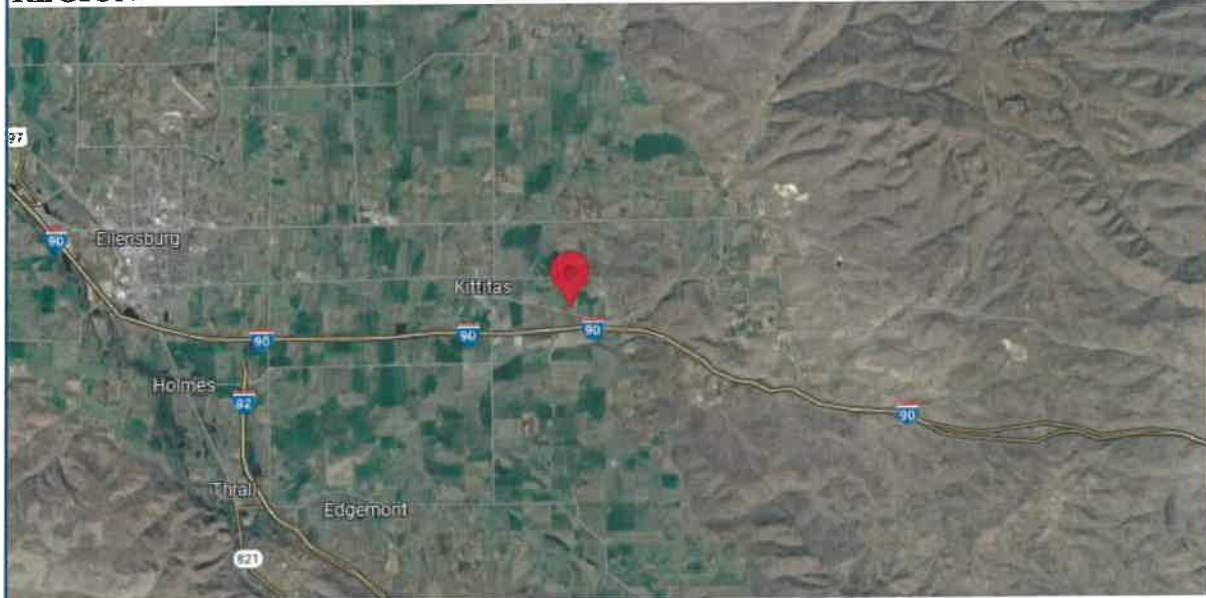
The findings of this study are limited by the level of scope applied. We have prepared this report in substantial accordance with the generally accepted geotechnical engineering practice as it exists in the subject region. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made. The recommendations provided in this report assume that an adequate program of tests and observations will be conducted by a WABO approved special inspection firm during the construction phase in order to evaluate compliance with our recommendations.

This report may be used only by the Client and their design consultants and only for the purposes stated within a reasonable time from its issuance, but in no event later than 18 months from the date of the report. It is the Client's responsibility to ensure that the Designer, Contractor, Subcontractors, etc. are made aware of this report in its entirety. Note that if another firm assumes Geotechnical Engineer of Record responsibilities, they need to review this report and either concur with the findings, conclusions, and recommendations or provide alternate findings, conclusions and recommendation.

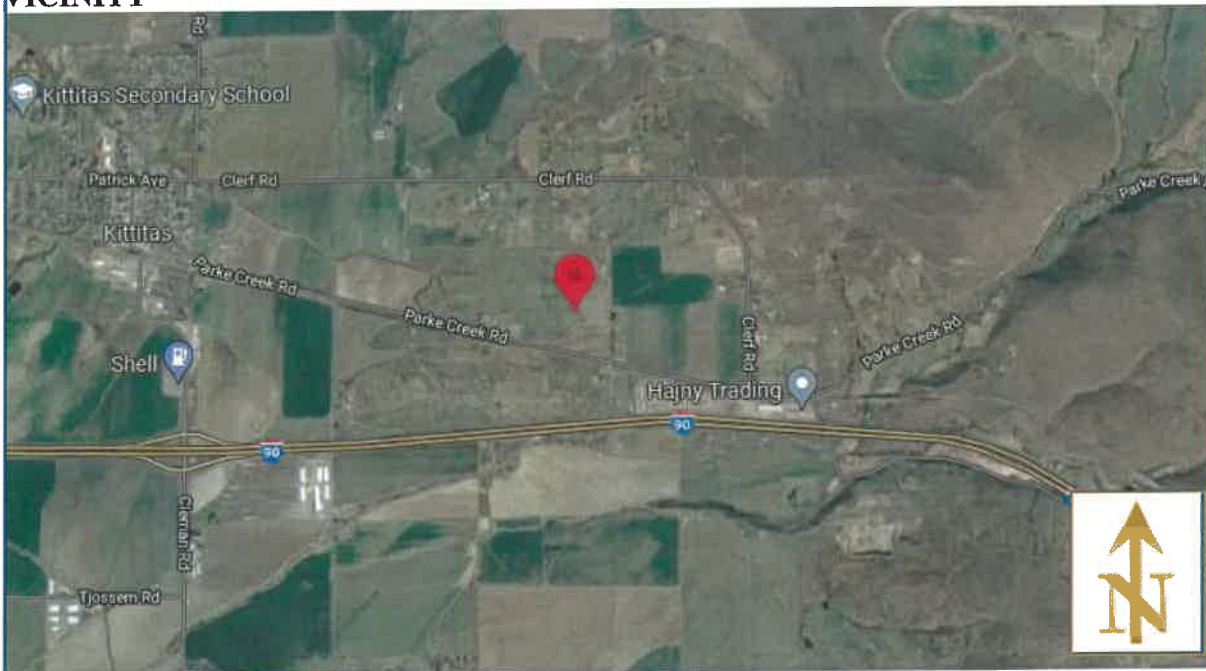
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Appendix A. Region & Vicinity Maps

REGION



VICINITY



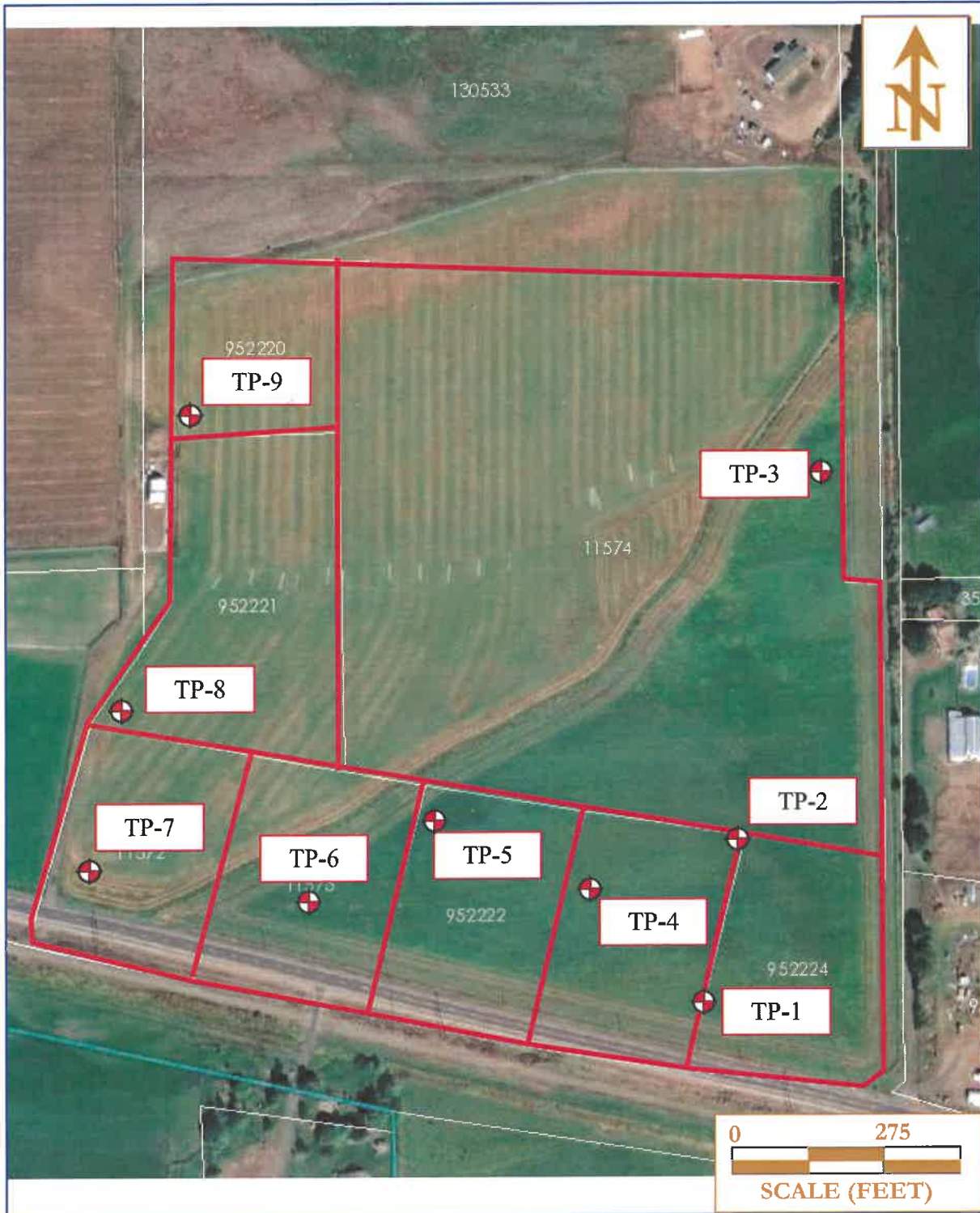
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Site Region
Parke Creek

Source: Google Imagery, 2022
Scale & Locations are approx.
Not for Construction

Figure 1

Appendix B. Exploration Map



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Site Map
Parke Creek

Source: Kittitas Co. GIS, 2022
Scale & Locations are approx.
Not for Construction

Figure 2

Appendix C. Exploration Logs



TEST PIT LOG TP-1

PROJECT NUMBER QG22-128		FIELD WORK DATE 7/20/2022		BORING LOCATION Southeast portion of site	
PROJECT NAME Parke Creek		DRILLING METHOD Excavated Test Pit		SURFACE ELEVATION Existing	
PROJECT LOCATION Ellensburg, WA				LOGGED BY RG	
COMMENTS					
Depth (ft)	Samples	Is Analysed?	Graphic Log	USCS	Material Description
0.5			[Dotted pattern]	SM	SILTY SAND, Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 inches, medium dense. Gravel %=1 Sand%=53 Fines%=48
1					
1.5			[Dotted pattern]	SS	SANDSTONE, Orange to tan color, minor organics, damp, highly compacted, weathered.
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9					Termination Depth at 9.0 Feet. Terminated due to equipment refusal. No Groundwater Encountered
9.5					



TEST PIT LOG TP-2

PROJECT NUMBER QG22-128		FIELD WORK DATE 7/20/2022		BORING LOCATION ~400' north of TP-1	
PROJECT NAME Parke Creek		DRILLING METHOD Excavated Test Pit		SURFACE ELEVATION Existing	
PROJECT LOCATION Ellensburg, WA				LOGGED BY RG	
COMMENTS					
Depth (ft)	Samples	Is Analyzed?	Graphic Log	USCS	Material Description
0.5			[Dotted pattern]	SM	SILTY SAND. Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 inches, medium dense. Gravel %=1 Sand%=53 Fines%=46
1					
1.5					
2			[Dotted pattern]	SS	SANDSTONE, Orange to tan color, minor organics, damp, highly compacted, very dense.
2.5					
3					Termination Depth at 3.0 Feet. Terminated due to equipment refusal. No Groundwater Encountered
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TEST PIT LOG TP-3

PROJECT NUMBER QG22-128		FIELD WORK DATE 7/20/2022		BORING LOCATION ~800' north of TP-2	
PROJECT NAME Parke Creek		DRILLING METHOD Excavated Test Pit		SURFACE ELEVATION Existing	
PROJECT LOCATION Ellensburg, WA				LOGGED BY RG	
COMMENTS					
Depth (ft)	Samples	Is Analysed?	Graphic Log	USCS	Material Description
0.5				SM	SILTY SAND. Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 inches, medium dense. Gravel%=1 Sand%=53 Fines%=46
1					
1.5					
2				SS	SANDSTONE. Orange to tan color, minor organics, damp, highly compacted, weathered.
2.5					Termination Depth at 2.5 Feet. Terminated due to equipment refusal. No Groundwater Encountered
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TEST PIT LOG TP-4

PROJECT NUMBER QG22-128		FIELD WORK DATE 7/20/2022		BORING LOCATION ~400' northwest of TP-1	
PROJECT NAME Parke Creek		DRILLING METHOD Excavated Test Pit		SURFACE ELEVATION Existing	
PROJECT LOCATION Ellensburg, WA				LOGGED BY RG	
COMMENTS					
Depth (ft)	Samples	Is Analysed?	Graphic Log	USCS	Material Description
0.5				SM	SILTY SAND. Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 Inches, medium dense. Gravel %=1 Sand%=53 Fines%=46
1					
1.5				SS	SANDSTONE, Orange to tan color, minor organics, damp, highly compacted, very dense.
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2.5					Termination Depth at 2.0 Feet. Terminated due to equipment refusal. No Groundwater Encountered
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TEST PIT LOG TP-5

PROJECT NUMBER QG22-128		FIELD WORK DATE 7/20/2022		BORING LOCATION ~400' northwest of TP-1	
PROJECT NAME Parke Creek		DRILLING METHOD Excavated Test Pit		SURFACE ELEVATION Existing	
PROJECT LOCATION Ellensburg, WA				LOGGED BY RG	
COMMENTS					
Depth (ft)	Samples	Is Analysed?	Graphic Log	USCS	Material Description
0.5				SM	SILTY SAND. Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 inches, medium dense. Gravel %=1 Sand%=53 Fines%=48
1				SS	SANDSTONE. Orange to tan color, minor organics, damp, highly compacted, very dense.
1.5					Termination Depth at 1.5 Feet. Terminated due to equipment refusal. No Groundwater Encountered
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TEST PIT LOG TP-6

PROJECT NUMBER QG22-128		FIELD WORK DATE 7/20/2022		BORING LOCATION ~400' southwest of TP-5	
PROJECT NAME Parke Creek		DRILLING METHOD Excavated Test Pit		SURFACE ELEVATION Existing	
PROJECT LOCATION Ellensburg, WA				LOGGED BY RG	
COMMENTS					
Depth (ft)	Samples	Is Analyzed?	Graphic Log	USCS	Material Description
0.5				SM	SILTY SAND. Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 inches, medium dense. Gravel %=1 Sand%=53 Fines%=46
1				SS	SANDSTONE, Orange to tan color, minor organics, damp, highly compacted, very dense.
1.5					
2					Termination Depth at 2.0 Feet. Terminated due to equipment refusal. No Groundwater Encountered
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TEST PIT LOG TP-7

PROJECT NUMBER QG22-128	FIELD WORK DATE 7/20/2022	BORING LOCATION ~600' southwest of TP-6
PROJECT NAME Parke Creek	DRILLING METHOD Excavaled Test Pit	SURFACE ELEVATION Existing
PROJECT LOCATION Ellensburg, WA		LOGGED BY RG

COMMENTS

Depth (ft)	Samples	is Analysed?	Graphic Log	USCS	Material Description
0.5				SM	SILTY SAND, Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 inches, medium dense. Gravel %=1 Sand%=53 Fines%=48
1					
1.5					
2					
2.5				SS	SANDSTONE, Orange to tan color, minor organics, damp, highly compacted, very dense.
3					
3.5					Termination Depth at 3.0 Feet. Terminated due to equipment refusal. No Groundwater Encountered
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TEST PIT LOG TP-8

PROJECT NUMBER QG22-128	FIELD WORK DATE 7/20/2022	BORING LOCATION ~500' north of TP-7
PROJECT NAME Parke Creek	DRILLING METHOD Excavated Test Pit	SURFACE ELEVATION Existing
PROJECT LOCATION Ellensburg, WA		LOGGED BY RG

COMMENTS

Depth (ft)	Samples	Is Analysed?	Graphic Log	USCS	Material Description
0.5			•••••	SM	SILTY SAND, Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 inches, medium dense. Gravel %=1 Sand%=53 Fines%=46
1			•••••		
1.5			•••••		
2			•••••	SS	SANDSTONE, Orange to tan color, minor organics, damp, highly compacted, very dense.
2.5					Termination Depth at 2.25 Feet. Terminated due to equipment refusal. No Groundwater Encountered
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TEST PIT LOG TP-9

PROJECT NUMBER QG22-128		FIELD WORK DATE 7/20/2022		BORING LOCATION ~700' north of TP-8	
PROJECT NAME Parke Creek		DRILLING METHOD Excavated Test Pit		SURFACE ELEVATION Existing	
PROJECT LOCATION Ellensburg, WA				LOGGED BY RG	
COMMENTS					
Depth (ft)	Samples	Is Analysed?	Graphic Log	USCS	Material Description
0.5				SM	SILTY SAND. Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 inches, medium dense. Gravel %=1 Sand%=53 Fines%=46
1					
1.5					
2				SS	SANDSTONE, Orange to tan color, minor organics, damp, weathered
2.5					
3					
3.5					
4				SM	SILTY SAND. Brown color, damp, minor organics, cobble up to 3 inches, medium dense. Gravel %=<1 Sand%=57 Fines%=42
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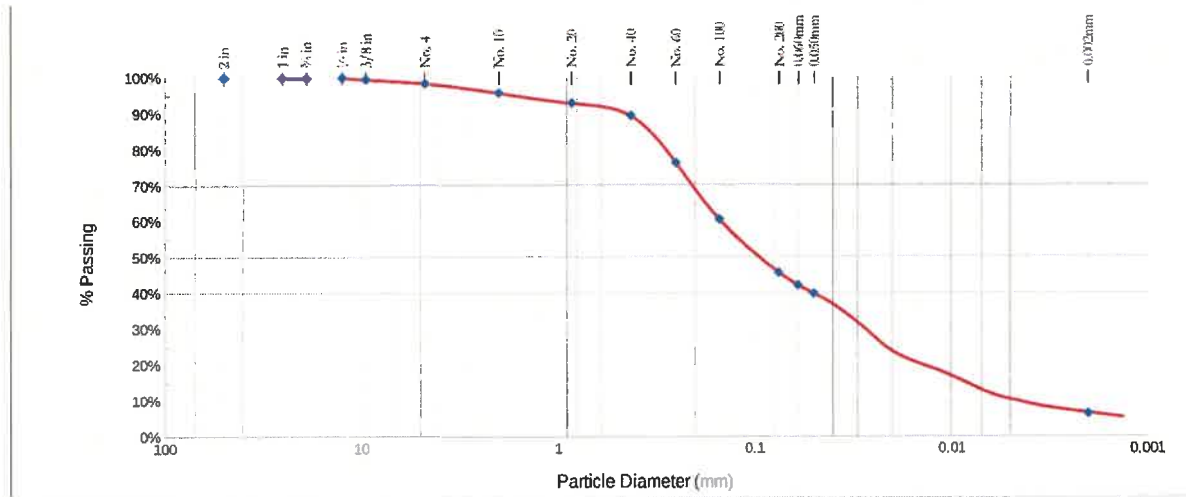
Appendix D. Laboratory Results



SAMPLE ID: TP-1@2.5ft

Sieve Analysis | Wet Wash | Hydrometer | Atterberg Limits

Project Name: Parke Creek Geo
Project Number: QG22-128
Date Collected: 07/20/22
Date Reported: 08/17/22
Boring ID: TP-1
Boring Depth: 2.5ft



USCS Scale	Coarse Gravel		Fine Gravel			Coarse Sand		Medium Sand		Fine Sand			(% of Fines Passing #200 Sieve)			Sand Total	Gravel Total	
	Sieve #	Diameter, mm	2"	1"	3/4"	3/8"	4	10	20	40	60	100	200	Hydrometer Method				
Retained			0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	1.5%	4.2%	7.1%	10.6%	23.0%	39.5%	64.4%	0.060	0.050	0.002	52.8%	1.5%
Passing			100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.6%	98.5%	95.8%	92.9%	89.4%	75.2%	60.5%	45.8%	42.1%	39.0%	6.34%		

Graph Values	D80	0.60	Coefficient of Uniformity: 5.38	CEC	14.1	meq/100g	Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) Description	SILTY SAND	
	D60	0.15			OM (LOI 380)				1.7
	D30	0.027							Coefficient of Gradation: 1.10
	D10	0.005							

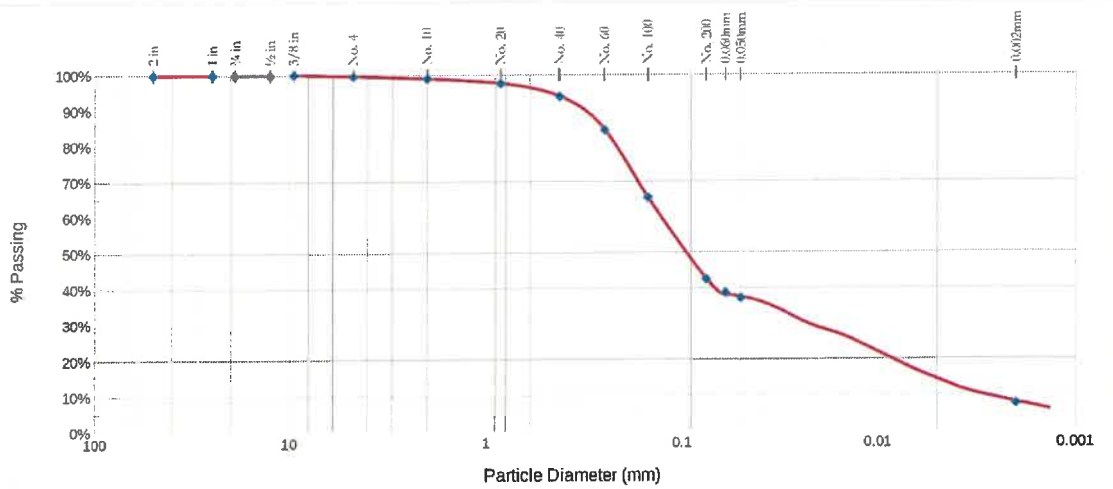
Staff Initials: AB Test Methods: ASTM D7928 & D6913 August 17, 2022



SAMPLE ID: TP-9@6ft

Sieve Analysis | Wet Wash | Hydrometer | Atterberg Limits

Project Name: Parke Creek Geo
Project Number: QG22-128
Date Collected: 07/20/22
Date Reported: 09/17/22
Boring ID: TP-9
Boring Depth: 6ft



USCS Scale Sieve # Diameter, mm	Coarse Gravel		Fine Gravel			Coarse Sand		Medium Sand		Fine Sand			(% of Fines Passing #200 Sieve) Hydrometer Method			Sand Total	Gravel Total
	2"	1"	3/4"	3/8"	3/16"	4	10	20	40	60	100	200	0.060	0.050	0.002		
Retained	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	1.1%	2.5%	6.2%	15.6%	34.6%	57.5%					
Passing	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	99.6%	98.9%	97.5%	93.8%	84.4%	65.4%	42.5%	38.7%	37.2%	7.42%	67.0%	0.4%

Graph Values	D90	0.35	Coefficient of Uniformity: 5.79	CEC	26.9	meq/100g	Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) Description	SILTY SAND		
	D60	0.13			Coefficient of Gradation: 1.30	OM (LOI 380)			2.5	%
	D30	0.023								
D10	0.003									

Staff Initials: AB Test Methods: ASTM D7928 & D6913

August 17, 2022



QUALITY GEO NW	Date Received: 8/15/2022
4631 WHITMAN LANE SE	Grower: QG22-128
SUITE D	Field: TP-1 AT 2.5FT
LACEY, WA 98513	Sampled By:
Laboratory #: S22-14776	Customer Account #:
	Customer Sample ID:

Soil Test Results

Cation Exchange CEC	meq/100g	14.1	pH 1:1	
			E.C. 1:1	m.mhos/cm
			Est Sat Paste E.C.	m.mhos/cm
			Effervescence	
			Ammonium - N	mg/kg
			Organic Matter W.B.	%

Other Tests:

Organic Matter (LOI 360) 1.7 %:

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QUALITY GEO NW 4631 WHITMAN LANE SE SUITE D LACEY, WA 98513 Laboratory #: S22-14777	Date Received: 8/15/2022 Grower: QG22-128 Field: TP-9 AT 6FT Sampled By: Customer Account #: Customer Sample ID:
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Soil Test Results

Cation Exchange	CEC	meq/100g	25.9	pH	1:1
				E.C. 1:1	m.mhos/cm
				Est Sat Paste E.C.	m.mhos/cm
				Effervescence	
				Ammonium - N	mg/kg
				Organic Matter W.B.	%

Other Tests:

Organic Matter (LOI 360) 2.5 %:

