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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report presents the results of our Geotechnical Investigation for the proposed Mallard Pointe Residential Development on Mallard Road in Belvedere, California. As shown on Figure 1, the project site is located on both sides of Mallard Road between Community Road and Belvedere Lagoon.

Our work was performed in accordance with our Agreement for Professional Services dated September 4, 2020 and the Additional Services Directive dated July 8, 2024. The purpose of our investigation was to explore the subsurface conditions and to develop geotechnical criteria for design and construction of the proposed improvements. The scope of our services includes:

- Review of available, published geologic mapping and geotechnical background information from our files, and any geologic/geotechnical background information supplied by you.
- Coordinate with Underground Service Alert (USA) to mark underground utilities in areas where we plan to conduct subsurface exploration.
- Subsurface exploration consisting of two days of Cone Penetration Tests (CPTs). We completed nine CPTs that extended through the near-surface soils to a depth of about 100 feet below the ground surface or to refusal in firm soil or bedrock.
- Evaluation of relevant geologic hazards including seismic shaking, liquefaction, settlement, and other hazards.
- Preparing geotechnical recommendations and design criteria related to building foundations, site grading, temporary shoring, seismic design, and other geotechnical-related items.
- Preparing a Geotechnical Investigation report which summarizes the referenced subsurface exploration, evaluation of relevant geologic hazards, and geotechnical recommendations and design criteria.

Subsequent phases of work should include supplemental subsurface exploration and laboratory testing as part of a design level geotechnical investigation, design consultation/geotechnical plan review, and observation and testing of geotechnical-related work items during construction.

2.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

We understand that the project will consist of demolishing the existing structures and re-developing the property as a new residential development. The proposed development includes six single-family homes, five duplexes, and a two or three-story apartment building over a semi-subterranean parking garage. We anticipate that the new buildings will be wood frame structures with either wood frame or concrete slab-on-grade floors at ground floor levels. Ancillary

improvements are expected to include exterior hardscape/flatwork and asphalt paving, new underground utilities, new site drainage, landscaping, and other improvements “typical” of such developments. No detailed structural information is available at this time. However, we anticipate that the proposed structures will likely impose light to moderate foundation loads. A site plan showing the proposed project layout and the approximate CPT locations is presented on Figure 2.

3.0 SITE CONDITIONS

3.1 Regional Geology

The project site is located within the Coast Ranges geomorphic province of California. It is typified by generally northwest-trending ridges and intervening valleys that formed as a result of movement along a group of northwest-trending fault systems, including the San Andreas Fault. Bedrock geology within the San Francisco Bay Area is dominated by sedimentary, igneous, and metamorphic rocks of the Jurassic-Cretaceous age Franciscan Complex. Most Franciscan rock types are composed of sandstone and pervasively sheared shale. It also includes less common rocks such as chert, serpentinite, basalt, greenstone, and exotic low- to high-grade metamorphic rocks, including phyllite, schist, and eclogite.

Regional geologic mapping (Rice, et al, 1976) indicates that the project site is underlain by artificial fill over Bay Mud (Geologic unit Qaf/Qm). Artificial fill typically consists of deposits of rock, soil, or Bay Mud placed by man upon natural surfaces. Bay Mud typically consists of thick deposits of unconsolidated, highly compressible silty clay. A regional geologic map of the site and vicinity is presented on Figure 3.

3.2 Seismicity

The project site is located within the seismically active San Francisco Bay Area and will therefore experience the effects of future earthquakes. Earthquakes are the product of the build-up and sudden release of strain along a “fault” or zone of weakness in the earth's crust. Stored energy may be released as soon as it is generated, or it may be accumulated and stored for long periods of time. Individual releases may be so small that they are detected only by sensitive instruments, or they may be violent enough to cause destruction over vast areas.

Faults are seldom single cracks in the earth's crust but are typically composed of localized shear zones which link together to form larger fault zones. Within the Bay Area, faults are concentrated along the San Andreas Fault zone. The movement between rock formations along either side of a fault may be horizontal, vertical, or a combination, and is radiated outward in the form of energy waves. The amplitude and frequency of earthquake ground motions partially depends on the material through which it is moving. The earthquake force is transmitted through hard rock in short, rapid vibrations, while this energy becomes a long, high-amplitude motion when moving through soft ground materials, such as Bay Mud.

3.2.1 Regional Active Faults

An “active” fault is one that shows displacement within the last 11,000 years (i.e., Holocene) and has a reported average slip rate greater than 0.1 mm per year. The California Division of Mines and Geology has mapped various active and inactive faults in the region. These faults are shown in relation to the project site on the attached Active Fault Map, Figure 4. The nearest known active faults are the San Andreas, Hayward and San Gregorio Faults which are located roughly 13.3 kilometers southwest, 15.5 kilometers northeast, and 17.2 kilometers southwest of the site, respectively.

3.2.2 Historic Fault Activity

Numerous earthquakes have occurred in the region within historic times. Earthquakes (magnitude 2.0 and greater) that have occurred in the San Francisco Bay Area since 1985 have been plotted on a map shown on Figure 5.

3.2.3 Probability of Future Earthquakes

The site will likely experience moderate to strong ground shaking from future earthquakes originating on any of several active faults in the San Francisco Bay region. The historical records do not directly indicate either the maximum credible earthquake or the probability of such a future event. To evaluate earthquake probabilities in California, the USGS has assembled a group of researchers into the “Working Group on California Earthquake Probabilities” (USGS 2003, 2008, 2013) to estimate the probabilities of earthquakes on active faults. These studies have been published cooperatively by the USGS, CGS, and Southern California Earthquake Center (SCEC) as the Uniform California Earthquake Rupture Forecast, Versions 1, 2, and 3. In these studies, potential seismic sources were analyzed considering fault geometry, geologic slip rates, geodetic strain rates, historic activity, micro-seismicity, and other factors to arrive at estimates of earthquakes of various magnitudes on a variety of faults in California.

Conclusions from the most recent UCERF3 and USGS indicate the highest probability of an earthquake with a magnitude greater than 6.7 originating on any of the active faults in the San Francisco Bay region by 2043 is assigned to the Hayward/Rodgers Creek Fault system. The Rodgers Creek Fault is located approximately 15.5 kilometers (9.6 miles) northeast of the site and is assigned a probability of 33 percent. The San Andreas Fault, located approximately 13.3 kilometers (8.3 miles) southwest of the site, is assigned a 22 percent probability of an earthquake with a magnitude greater than 6.7 by 2043. Additional studies by the USGS regarding the probability of large earthquakes in the Bay Area are ongoing. These current evaluations include data from additional active faults and updated geological data.

3.3 Surface Conditions

The project site (three parcels) is located on both sides of Mallard Road between Community Road and Belvedere Lagoon in Belvedere. Existing site elevations within the proposed residential development area range from approximately +7 to +15 feet MSL (mean sea level) based on Google Earth elevations. The project area is relatively flat and currently developed with existing residential structures and asphalt drive areas. Existing riprap reinforced timber bulkheads (typically 2 to 3 feet high) are present along much of the Belvedere Lagoon frontage of the project site.

3.4 Field Exploration

We explored the subsurface conditions near the proposed improvements on April 26, 2021 and September 3, 2024 with nine cone penetration tests (CPTs) at the approximate locations shown on Figure 2. The CPTs were excavated using an International Paystar 5000 by Middle Earth Geo Testing to depths ranging from 70 feet to 100 feet below the ground surface. The interpreted soil types, densities, strengths, and liquefaction potential are presented in Appendix A. Additional geotechnical exploration with borings, additional cone penetration testing, and laboratory testing of soil samples should be performed at a later date as part of a design level geotechnical investigation.

3.5 Subsurface Soil Conditions

The subsurface exploration generally confirms the regionally mapped geologic conditions at the site. The site is overlain by approximately 5 to 8-feet of medium dense to dense clayey sand to stiff sandy clay overlying about 20 to 70-feet of soft, compressible Bay Mud. Loose to dense silty sands were encountered beneath the silty clay (Bay Mud) to the maximum explored depth of 100.5-feet.

3.6 Groundwater

Groundwater was encountered in the CPTs at depths between 6 and 9-feet below the ground surface. Groundwater should generally be expected in on-site excavations deeper than about 5 feet below grade and may be shallower during the winter months or following periods of heavy rain or high tides.

4.0 GEOLOGIC HAZARDS

This section summarizes our review of commonly considered geologic hazards and discusses their potential impact on the planned improvements. The primary geologic hazards which could affect the proposed development include strong seismic ground shaking, liquefaction, settlement, and flooding. Other geologic hazards are judged less than significant regarding the proposed project. Geologic hazards, potential impacts, and geotechnical engineering design measures are discussed in further detail in the following sections.

4.1 Fault Surface Rupture

Under the Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Act, the California Division of Mines and Geology (now known as the California Geological Survey) produced 1:24,000 scale maps showing known active and potentially active faults and defining zones within which special fault studies are required. The nearest known active fault to the site is the San Andreas Fault located approximately 13.3 kilometers to the southwest. The site is not located within an Alquist-Priolo Special Studies Zone. We therefore judge the potential for fault surface rupture in the development area to be low.

Evaluation: No significant impact.

Recommendation: No special engineering measures are required.

4.2 Seismic Shaking

The site will likely experience seismic ground shaking similar to other areas in the seismically active Bay Area. The intensity of ground shaking will depend on the characteristics of the causative fault, distance from the fault, the earthquake magnitude and duration, and site-specific geologic conditions. Estimates of peak ground accelerations are based on either deterministic or probabilistic methods.

Deterministic methods use empirical attenuation relations that provide approximate estimates of median peak ground accelerations. A summary of the active faults that could most significantly affect the planning area, their maximum credible magnitude, closest distance to the center of the planning area, probable peak ground accelerations, and 84th percentile peak ground accelerations are summarized in Table 1. The calculated accelerations should only be considered as reasonable estimates. Many factors (e.g., soil conditions, orientation to the fault, etc.) can influence the actual ground surface accelerations.

Table 1 – Deterministic Peak Ground Accelerations for Active Faults

Fault	Moment Magnitude for Characteristic Earthquake	Closest Estimated Distance (km)	Median Peak Ground Acceleration (g)	84% Peak Ground Acceleration (g)
San Andreas	8.04	13.3	0.31	0.50
Hayward	7.58	15.5	0.27	0.44
San Gregorio	7.44	17.7	0.25	0.40
Rodgers Creek	7.58	32.9	0.18	0.30

Reference: Caltrans ARS Online v2.3.09 accessed on November 4, 2024. Site Class E= 180 (ft/sec)

Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Analysis analyzes all possible earthquake scenarios while incorporating the probability of each individual event to occur. The probability is determined in the form of the recurrence interval, which is the average time for a specific earthquake acceleration to be exceeded. The design earthquake is not solely dependent on the fault with the closest distance to the site and/or the largest magnitude, but rather the probability of given seismic events occurring on both known and unknown faults.

We calculated the peak ground acceleration for two separate probabilistic conditions; the 2 percent chance of exceedance in 50 years (2,475-year statistical return period) and the 10 percent chance of exceedance in 50 years (475-year statistical return period). The peak ground acceleration values were calculated utilizing the USGS Unified Hazard Tool (USGS, 2024). The results of the probabilistic analyses are presented below in Table 2.

Table 2 – Probabilistic Peak Ground Accelerations for Active Faults

Probability of Exceedance	Statistical Return Period	Magnitude	Peak Ground Acceleration (g)
2% in 50 years	2,475 years	7.23	0.72
10% in 50 years	475 years	7.11	0.46

Reference: USGS Unified Hazard Tool accessed on November 4, 2024. Site Class E= 180 (ft/sec)

Ground shaking can result in structural failure and collapse of structures or cause non-structural building elements (such as light fixtures, shelves, cornices, etc.) to fall, presenting a hazard to building occupants and contents. Compliance with provisions of the most recent version of the California Building Code (2022 CBC) should result in structures that do not collapse in an earthquake. Damage may still occur, and hazards associated with falling objects or non-structural building elements will remain.

The potential for strong seismic shaking at the project site is high. Due to their proximity and historic rates of activity, the San Andreas, Hayward, and San Gregorio Faults present the highest potential for severe ground shaking. The significant adverse impact associated with strong seismic shaking is potential damage to structures and improvements.

Evaluation: Less than significant with engineered design.

Recommendation: Measures include design of new structures in accordance with the provisions of the 2022 California Building Code or subsequent codes in effect when final design occurs. Preliminary seismic design coefficients are presented in Section 5.1 of this report.

4.3 Liquefaction and Related Effects

Liquefaction refers to the sudden, temporary loss of soil shear strength during strong ground shaking. Liquefaction-related phenomena include liquefaction-induced settlement, flow failure, and lateral spreading. These phenomena can occur where there are saturated, loose, granular deposits. Recent advances in liquefaction studies indicate that liquefaction can occur in granular materials with a high, 35 to 50%, fines content (soil particles that pass the #200 sieve), provided the fines exhibit a plasticity less than 7. Saturated granular layers were observed during our subsurface exploration of the site. Additionally, the site is mapped by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) as being very highly susceptible to liquefaction as shown on Figure 6.

To evaluate soil liquefaction, the seismic energy from an earthquake is compared with the ability of the soil to resist pore pressure generation. The earthquake energy is termed the cyclic stress ratio (CSR) and is a function of the maximum considered earthquake peak ground acceleration (PGA) and depth. Soil resistance to liquefaction is based on its relative density, and the amount and plasticity of the fines (silts and clays). The relative density of cohesionless soil is correlated with CPT data measured in the field and corrected for overburden and percent fines.

We analyzed the potential for liquefaction utilizing the procedures outlined by Idriss and Boulanger (2014) within the liquefaction interpretation program, CLiq (Geologismiki, CLiq). The seismic event input into the model consisted of a magnitude 7.9 earthquake producing a PGA of 0.63 g, which corresponds to the PGA_M defined in ASCE 7-16. The results of our analyses indicate several liquefiable layers of various thicknesses underlie the site at various depths between 30 and 50-feet below the ground surface. The results of our liquefaction analyses are presented on Figures 7 through 15.

4.3.1 Post Liquefaction Settlement

Based on current post liquefaction settlement analyses procedures, settlement can occur in soils that exhibit a factor of safety against liquefaction of 2.0 or less. Utilizing the procedures outlined by Idriss and Boulanger (2014), approximately 0.5 to 2.0-inches of post liquefaction settlement may occur. Differential settlement is estimated to be approximately one half of the estimated total settlement.

Additionally, we utilized the procedures outlined by Ozocak and Sert (2010) to calculate the Liquefaction Potential Index (LPI), which is a gauge to determine if liquefiable layers will impact the ground surface. LPI is a function of the thickness, depth, and factor of safety against liquefaction in the individual layers within a soil column. The resulting LPI value corresponds to a relative potential for surface deformation impacting the ground surface. Typically, an LPI value of zero indicates the liquefiable layer will not impact the ground surface; while a value less than 5 has a low probability, value between 5 and 15 have a moderate probability, and an LPI value greater than 15 have a high probability of surface impact. The results of our liquefaction analyses indicate LPI between 1.0 and 5.0, suggesting a low probability of liquefaction effects impacting the ground surface.

<i>Evaluation:</i>	<i>Less than significant with engineered design.</i>
<i>Recommendation:</i>	<i>Shallow foundation systems should be designed to withstand up to 2.0-inches of total and 1.0-inches of liquefaction induced differential settlement, over 30-feet. If deep foundations are utilized, they should be designed to account for localized layers of reduced skin friction for seismic conditions. Flexible utility conduits and connections are recommended to reduce the likelihood of damage due to differential post-liquefaction settlements. Foundation design criteria provided in Section 5.5 should be followed.</i>

4.4 Settlement

Significant settlement can occur when loads (fill or structures) are placed at sites that are located over Bay Mud. The project site is located over a relatively thick (from 10- to 70-foot deep) deposit of Bay Mud. The amount and rate of settlements are dependent on the magnitude of previous loads and additional (new) loads, previous loading history, the thickness of compressible material, and the inherent compressibility properties of the Bay Mud.

Differential settlements are also possible due to variations in the thickness of compressible Bay Mud, variations in new long-term loads (fill thickness or foundation loads) and variations in historic use of the land, i.e., old channels or low points through the site that may have required thicker fills, or previous “surcharges”, such as old structures or fill mounds. Because the site was filled long ago (about 70 years ago), the Bay Mud has completed a majority of the primary consolidation settlement under the loads from the existing fill and existing structures in areas where the Bay Mud thickness is less than about 30 feet. In areas underlain by more than about 30 feet of Bay Mud, several inches of additional primary consolidation settlement is expected in the future. Smaller secondary compression settlements (up to several inches) are also still occurring across the entire site area. Secondary compression occurs mostly after the primary consolidation settlement is complete and occurs slowly over many decades.

Predicted site settlements (primary consolidation) caused by the original fill placed circa 1950 are presented below in Table 3. Table 3 also presents the estimated settlement that will occur for different Bay Mud layer thicknesses over the next 75 years.

Table 3– Predicted Site Settlements

Thickness of Bay Mud Layer	Total Predicted Settlement	Predicted Year of Settlement 99% Complete	Anticipated Settlement from 2024 to 2100
10 feet	27 inches	1960	0 inches
20 feet	35 inches	1990	0 inches
30 feet	41 inches	2030	0.3 inches
40 feet	45 inches	2070	2.1 inches
50 feet	49 inches	2130	5.3 inches
60 feet	52 inches	2210	9.2 inches
70 feet	54 inches	2310	10.9 inches

Although we do not anticipate significant site grading at the project site, for illustrative purposes, placing a uniform 1-foot-thick layer of normal weight soil fill (approximately 125 pounds per cubic foot) would result in about 7 inches of long-term settlement in an area underlain by 20-feet of Bay Mud. The predicted settlement increases to about 9 inches in an area underlain by 40-feet of Bay Mud and about 10 inches where 60 feet of Bay Mud exists. Linear extrapolation of settlement estimates is generally possible, such that doubling the thickness of new fill will similarly double the settlement amounts.

New building loads will also result in settlements, and the amount of settlement is proportional to the applied load. Differential settlements will also occur where fills terminate or where concentrated footing loads are applied.

It is noted that many nearby sites along the Belvedere Lagoon and other waterfront sites in Marin County share the same settlement risks as the project site due to the Bay Mud that typically underlies most waterfront properties in the region.

Evaluation: Less than significant with engineered design.

Recommendation: Alternatives to reduce settlement/subsidence include minimizing the amount (weight) of new fill or foundation loads, using lightweight fill where grades must be raised, over-excavating to “offset” new loads, or designing the proposed structures to withstand total and differential ground settlements.

Utilization of deep foundations would reduce expected total and differential settlements of structures to near-zero but would result in significant differential settlement between the structure and surrounding grades. The cost effectiveness and need for deep foundations for a given structure should be based on an evaluation of the settlement risk at the specific building location and the value of the building and costs associated with design to control settlement damage to the building.

Alternatively, a rigid shallow foundation system could be utilized, provided that the expected total and differential settlements are acceptable. Note that such settlements may result in damage to “brittle” surfaces such as stucco or plaster, and eventual re-leveling of foundations by pressure-grouting, underpinning, or other means will likely be necessary to correct differential settlements.

Placement of new loads at the site, especially fills, will induce additional settlement, and should generally be avoided in the interest of best performance of the new structures. Removal of existing fill soils and replacement with lightweight materials such as lava rock, cell-crete, or geofoam may be considered as a means of achieving a “net zero new load” condition, which would result in no net change to predicted future settlements. New utilities should be provided with flexible connections and emergency shut-off valves to reduce the risk of damage due to future settlements. Additional discussion and preliminary recommendations for site grading, settlement control, and new foundations are presented in Section 5 of this report.

4.5 Seismic Densification

Seismic ground shaking can induce settlement in unsaturated, loose, granular soils. Settlement occurs as the loose soil particles rearrange into a denser configuration when subjected to seismic ground shaking. Varying degrees of settlement can occur throughout a deposit, resulting in differential settlement of structures founded on such deposits. Based on our subsurface exploration, the soil above the groundwater level is generally classified as medium dense to dense sands or soft to medium stiff clay alluvial soils. Therefore, the risk of seismic densification impacting the new structures is low.

Evaluation: Less than significant with engineered design.

Recommendation: Measures include compaction of any loose sandy surficial soil as part of the site grading, and proper design of building foundations.

4.6 Expansive Soils

Soil expansion occurs when clay particles interact with water causing seasonal volume changes in the soil matrix. The clay soil swells when saturated and then contracts when dried. This phenomenon generally decreases in magnitude with increasing confinement pressures at increasing depths. These volume changes may damage lightly loaded foundations, concrete slabs, pavements, retaining walls, and other improvements. Expansive soils also cause soil creep on sloping ground.

Additional exploration and laboratory testing should be performed to determine the expansive potential of surficial soils as part of a Phase 2 design-level report. We do not anticipate significant engineering measures will be required to address expansive soil, and the “stiffened” foundations recommended in Section 5 will improve performance of structures over potentially expansive soils.

Evaluation: No significant impact.

Recommendation: No special engineering measures are required.

4.7 Lurching and Ground Cracking

Lurching and associated ground cracking can occur during strong ground shaking. The ground cracking generally occurs along the tops of slopes where stiff soils are underlain by soft deposits or along steep slopes or channel banks. Slopes adjacent to the site are currently relatively low and flat. If new fills are placed at the site, the risk of lurching and ground cracking near slopes would be increased. Provided new fills are not placed at the site, and new bulkheads along the lagoon edge are properly designed, the risk of lurching and ground cracking impacting the new structures is low.

Evaluation: No significant impact.

Recommendation: No special engineering measures are required.

4.8 Erosion

Sandy soils on moderately steep slopes or clayey soils on steep slopes are susceptible to erosion when exposed to concentrated surface water flow. The potential for erosion is increased when established vegetation is disturbed or removed during normal construction activity.

Evaluation: Less than significant with engineered design.

Recommendation: For new improvements at the site, careful attention should be paid to finished grades, and the project Civil Engineer should design the site drainage system to collect surface water into a storm drain system that discharges water at appropriate locations. Re-establishment of vegetation on disturbed areas will also minimize erosion. Erosion control measures during and after construction should be in accordance with a prepared Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan and should conform to the most recent version of the California Stormwater Quality Association, Stormwater Best Management Practice Handbook.

4.9 Slope Instability/Landsliding

Slope instability generally occurs on relatively steep slopes and/or on slopes underlain by weak materials. The project site lies on nearly level terrain, therefore, slope instability/landsliding is not considered a significant geologic hazard at the project site, provided that new bulkheads along the lagoon edge are properly designed. Further studies of slope stability would be required if new fill or other new loading is planned at the project site.

Evaluation: Less than significant with engineered design.

Recommendation: Further slope stability studies should be undertaken during a design level geotechnical report based on project loading conditions.

4.10 Flooding

The project site is located at about elevation +7 feet and is mapped as being within a 100-year flood zone (ArcGIS, 2021) as shown on Figure 16. Therefore, large scale flooding is considered a moderate hazard at the project site.

Evaluation: Less than significant with engineered design.

Recommendations: Measures include designing floor elevations that will be above the local permitting agency minimums. Consideration should also be given to design of finished grades at the site so that adverse drainage conditions do not allow water to pond around or beneath structures. Additional geotechnical recommendations for site drainage are provided in Section 5.

4.11 Tsunami and Seiche

Seiche and tsunamis are short duration, earthquake-generated water waves in large, enclosed bodies of water and the open ocean, respectively. The extent and severity of a seiche or tsunami would be dependent upon ground motions and fault offset from nearby active faults.

There have been eight credible local seiche events observed in San Francisco Bay between 1854 and 1906, six of which are attributed to earthquake activity and two to landslides. The Mare Island earthquake caused the largest seiche with 0.6-meter amplitude waves near Benicia and is attributed to slip on the Rodgers Creek fault. No confirmed seiche have been recorded in San Francisco Bay since 1906.

The project site is located on Belvedere Lagoon and approximately 2,000 feet east of Richardson Bay and is mapped as being within an inundation area as shown on Figure 17 (ArcGIS, 2021). Therefore, the risk of inundation is moderate at the project site.

Evaluation: Less than significant with engineered design.

Recommendations: To control flooding and sea-level rise hazards, engineering measures should include designing finished floor elevations above predicted future Marin County tsunami runup elevations, considering the likelihood that sea level may rise several feet. Estimates of expected future settlements should also be considered in evaluating inundation potential. Careful consideration should be given to design of finished grades and site drainage to minimize the potential for damage due to flooding. A new floodwall with top-of-wall elevations above the predicted seiche runup elevation could be considered; however, we judge this is likely neither warranted nor cost-effective given the scope of the project and given that the floodwalls would need to extend along all adjacent properties to be effective. Additional discussion of expected future settlements and preliminary recommendations for site grading and drainage are presented in Section 5 of this report.

4.12 Sea Level Rise

Globally, sea levels are rising due to thermal expansion caused by the ocean warming and the melting of land-based ice such as glaciers and polar ice caps. Regionally and locally, sea level rise has the potential to influence the impact of coastal, riverine, and localized nuisance flooding. These may result in permanent inundation, more frequent and longer duration floods, shoreline erosion, overtopping, and elevated groundwater and increased salinity intrusion. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) predicts that the sea level may rise as much as 1- to 3-feet within the next 30 years and even greater levels by 2100. The project site is located on Belvedere Lagoon and approximately 2,000 feet east of Richardson Bay at an elevation of between +7 and +15 feet above sea level. Therefore, the risk of sea level rise inundation is moderate at the project site. A detailed analysis of Sea Level Rise was beyond the scope of our evaluation but could be considered by a Civil Engineer and or consultation with the Planning Department.

Evaluation: Less than significant with engineered design.

Recommendations: Engineering measures should include designing finished floor elevations above predicted future Marin County flood elevation minimums, considering the likelihood that sea level may rise several feet. Estimates of

expected future settlements should also be considered in evaluating flood potential. Careful consideration should be given to design of finished grades and site drainage to minimize the potential for damage due to flooding. A new floodwall with top-of-wall elevations above the predicted base flood elevation could be considered; however, we judge this is likely neither warranted nor cost-effective given the scope of the project and given that the floodwalls would need to extend along all adjacent properties to be effective. Additional discussion of expected future settlements and preliminary recommendations for site grading and drainage are presented in Section 5 of this report.

5.0 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the results of our preliminary investigation, we conclude the site conditions are suitable for the proposed improvements. The primary geotechnical issues to address in design of the project are strong seismic shaking due to the close proximity of the San Andreas Fault, liquefaction and liquefaction induced settlement, settlement of soft clay deposits (Bay Mud), and flooding.

5.1 Seismic Design

The project site is located in a seismically active area. Therefore, structures should be designed in conformance to the seismic provisions of the California Building Code (CBC). However, since the goal of the building code is protection of life safety, some structural damage may still occur during strong ground shaking. We recommend minimum engineering design for ground shaking should include seismic design per the 2022 California Building Code/ASCE 7-16 or subsequent codes in effect at the time of design.

The magnitude and character of these ground motions will depend on the particular earthquake and the site response characteristics. Based on the interpreted subsurface conditions and close proximity to the San Andreas, Hayward, and San Gregorio Faults, we recommend the CBC coefficients and site values shown in Table 4 below for use to calculate the design base shear of the new construction.

Based on the subsurface conditions, the project site is classified as a "Site Class E". Additionally, because the S_1 value is greater than 0.20 g a site-specific ground motion analysis should be performed per the procedures outlined in ASCE 7-16. However, per ASCE 7-16 Section 11.4.8, a site-specific analysis is not required for structures located on sites classified as "Site Class E" if the Short Period Site Coefficient, F_a , is taken as equal to that of "Site Class C". This exception applies to structures with fundamental periods within the "short-period" range. We should perform a site-specific ground motion analysis if it is determined by the design team that "long-period" accelerations are needed.

Table 4 – Preliminary 2022 California Building Code Seismic Design Criteria

Parameter	Design Value	
Site Latitude	37.8748°N	
Site Longitude	-122.4653°W	
Site Class	C	E
Spectral Response (short), S_s	1.50 g	1.50 g
Spectral Response (1-sec), S_1	0.60 g	0.60 g
Spectral Response (Short), S_{MS}	1.80 g	n/a
Design Spectral Response (short), S_{DS}	1.20 g	n/a
Short Period Site Coefficient, F_a	1.2	n/a
MCE_G PGA Adjusted, PGA_M	0.63 g	0.62 g

The effects of earthquake shaking (i.e., protection of life safety) can be designed for by close adherence to the seismic provisions of the current edition of the CBC. However, some building damage may still occur during strong ground shaking.

5.2 Site Grading Recommendations

Minor site grading is anticipated for the project, consisting chiefly of excavations for the semi-subterranean parking garage beneath the two-story apartment building, new foundations, drainage systems, and underground utilities. Given that placement of new fills will induce additional future settlements that could damage improvements, we generally do not recommend placing new fills at the site, and instead recommend achievement of planned finished-floor elevations by use of a concrete mat slab or post-tensioned slab-on-grade foundation system with interconnected perimeter and interior stem walls supporting elevated interior floors above a crawl space. Alternatively, a “traditional” continuous interconnected spread footing (“waffle slab”) foundation could be considered. Load balancing of the new buildings should be considered so as to not incur new loading at the site that would induce new settlements. Methods to provide load balancing for the proposed project are discussed in detail in Section 4.4 of this report.

New flood or retaining walls a few feet high may be considered around the perimeter of the property. The loading associated with new flood walls is essentially negligible for the purpose of calculating future settlements. However, since raising exterior grades with normal-weight fill soils will induce new settlements within the property and potentially adjacent properties, we generally recommend that exterior grades be raised by use of Styrofoam blocks (which would result in essentially no new settlement), or with lightweight fill or cell-crete (which would include minor new settlements). Alternatively, framed wooden decks may be utilized. Given existing site elevations and likely shallow groundwater, Styrofoam may be susceptible to floating during high tides or flooding events, and either lava rock or cell-crete are likely more suitable for use as lightweight fill. Conceptually, we recommend perimeter walls consist of mechanically-stabilized earth (MSE) block-type walls (such as Versa-Lok or similar) which may be constructed on shallow footing/leveling-course foundations without the need for significant excavation. Additionally, reinforcing geogrid could be “pinned” between the block courses and extended across the full width of the yard to encourage uniform settlement in the event that new loads cannot be entirely offset by over-excavation as a result of shallow groundwater and low site grades.

Site excavations for the semi-subterranean parking garage, new foundations, underground utilities, and other improvements will generally encounter 5- to 8-feet of variable fill material over soft Bay Mud. Based on our previous experience, the majority of site excavations can be performed with “traditional” grading equipment, such as medium-size dozers and excavators. Subsurface exploration and laboratory testing should be performed as part of a future design-level Investigation to confirm fill thicknesses, excavation conditions, and soil-type classifications. On a preliminary basis, onsite fill and Bay Mud soils should be considered “Type C” and will likely be prone to caving or collapse in open excavations.

Over-excavation and backfill may be required to stabilize the bottom of excavations where they “bottom” in Bay Mud. For new structures and pipelines, we recommend over-excavating a minimum of 12 inches below the bottom of the planned foundation or pipe flowline, placing stabilization fabric (Mirafi 500X or equivalent) on the soft Bay Mud, and placing ¾-inch lightweight lava rock to raise the grade to the specified subgrade elevation and reduce the risk of future settlement. Stabilization fabric should be wrapped over the top of the lava rock. Dewatering will likely be required in these areas to maintain dry working conditions, and also will likely need to be accomplished with submersible pumps, as dewatering wells are unlikely to be effective given the immediate proximity of San Francisco Bay.

Surface Preparation and Site Grading

Clear all structures, concrete slabs, asphalt, oversized debris (larger than 4-inches), and organic matter where new construction is planned. Any vegetation or organic materials within the building areas should be scraped from the surface and stockpiled for reuse in landscaping or removed from the site. Any construction debris or abandoned utilities encountered during site grading should be removed from the site. Backfill excavations with engineered fill compacted to at least 90 percent relative compaction. In areas to receive fill, and beneath proposed slabs-on-grade, all existing weak, disturbed soil and all undocumented fill should be overexcavated to expose stiff native soil. The subgrade should be scarified to a depth of 8 inches, moisture conditioned to permit proper compaction and compacted to a minimum relative compaction of 90 percent. Fill can then be placed on the prepared subgrade.

Excavation

We judge that the surficial soils can be ripped and excavated with conventional equipment. Depending on the time of year that construction takes place, shallow groundwater may be encountered in the footing excavations.

For temporary slopes, the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has promulgated rules for Excavations, 29 CFR Part 1926, October 31, 1989. OSHA dictates allowable slope configurations and minimum shoring requirements based on categorized soil types. In conformance with OSHA's categorization, the onsite soil is “Type C”. The Contractor may elect to use a variety of shoring and temporary slope configurations, but his operations must conform to Federal and State OSHA regulations. The safety of excavations, slopes, construction operations, and personnel are the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

Compacted Fill

On-site fill, backfill, and scarified subgrades should be moisture conditioned to within two to three percent of the optimum moisture content. Properly moisture conditioned and cured on-site materials should be placed in loose horizontal lifts of 8 inches thick or less, and uniformly compacted to at least 90 percent relative compaction.

Relative compaction refers to the ratio in percent of the in-situ dry density to the maximum laboratory density. The maximum dry density, and optimum moisture content of fill materials should be determined in accordance with ASTM Test Method D 1557, "Moisture-Density Relations of Soils and Soil-Aggregate Mixtures Using a 10-lb. Rammer and 18-in. Drop."

Imported Fill

If imported fill is required, the material shall consist of soil and rock mixtures that shall be free of organic material (and free of toxic contamination), have a maximum particle size of four inches, Liquid Limit less than 40, a Plasticity Index less than 12, and have a minimum R-Value of 20. Any imported fill material needs to be tested by the geotechnical engineer (prior to import) to determine its suitability for use as fill material.

5.3 Probable Foundation Types

In order to minimize the adverse impact of differential settlements, we recommend rigid shallow foundation systems should be used where predicted differential settlements are not excessive. In areas where predicted differential settlements are larger, deep foundation systems should be utilized.

Suitable shallow foundation systems include thick, heavily-reinforced mat slabs, grid foundations (consisting of continuous, interconnected footings), or post-tensioned slabs. Each of the shallow foundation systems should be designed to span areas of non-uniform support up to 15-feet in diameter and minimize the effects of post-construction differential settlements. Preliminary design criteria for mat and post-tensioned concrete slabs are shown in Table 5, while preliminary design criteria for shallow continuous footings are shown in Table 6.

Table 5 – Thickened Mat or Post-Tension Slab Design Criteria

Parameter	Design Value
Allowable Bearing Pressure	500 pounds per square foot
Modulus of Subgrade Reaction	100 psi per inch
Minimum Edge Thickness ¹	12 inches
Maximum Unsupported Interior Span ²	15 feet
Maximum Unsupported Edge Cantilever	7 feet
Edge Moisture Variation, Center Lift	15 feet
Edge Moisture Variation, Edge Lift	7 feet
Differential Soil Movement, Edge & Center Lift	1.0 inches
Lateral Passive Resistance ³	250 pounds per cubic foot

(1) Actual thickness, load distribution, and unsupported spans must be determined by the Structural Engineer to reduce deformations to acceptable levels.

(2) Assumes rigid slab behavior with idealized fixed end conditions.

(3) Equivalent fluid pressure. Neglect the upper six inches in calculating passive resistance unless confined by concrete or asphalt.

Table 6 – Shallow Continuous Footing Design Criteria

Parameter	Design Value
Minimum Width ¹	18 inches
Minimum Embedment ²	18 inches
Allowable Bearing Pressure ³	500 pounds per square foot
Base Friction Coefficient	0.30
Lateral Passive Resistance ⁴	250 pounds per cubic foot
Maximum Unsupported Interior Span ⁵	15 feet
Maximum Unsupported Edge Cantilever	7 feet

- (1) Size foundations to maintain uniform bearing pressures, i.e., size footing widths to design loads instead of uniform foundation widths.
- (2) Footings may need to be deeper if the Structural Engineer determines additional rigidity is required to evenly spread column loads.
- (3) Dead plus live loads. May increase by 1/3 for total design loads, including wind and seismic.
- (4) Equivalent fluid pressure. Neglect the upper six inches in calculating passive resistance unless confined by concrete or asphalt.
- (5) Assumes rigid slab behavior with idealized fixed end conditions.

The proposed semi-subterranean parking garage beneath the two-story apartment building will extend approximately three to five feet beneath the existing site grades. It is noted that the required excavation of soil to accommodate the parking garage will compensate for the weight of the building, resulting in the desired no new net load condition to control future settlements. The proposed garage floor elevation is above the typical groundwater level at the site. However, the garage floor and foundation system should be designed to resist an appropriate amount of hydrostatic uplift pressure. We understand that the garage will be designed so that flood flows will drain from the garage without pumping.

In areas of the site where the predicted total and differential post-construction settlements are unacceptable, a deep foundation system bearing in firm materials below the compressible Bay Mud could be considered for the new structures. In general, the areas of the site underlain by more than about 30 to 40 feet of Bay Mud (as shown on Figure 2) will experience larger differential settlements that may warrant the use of deep foundations. Suitable deep foundation options at the site could include auger-cast piers, torque-down piles, or helical piers. Driven piles are not recommended due to the noise and vibrations caused and the variable depth to achieve full pile capacity. Traditional drilled piers are also not recommended due to the high groundwater conditions and “squeezing” Bay Mud soils. Deep foundations would typically need to extend about 10 to 30 feet below the bottom of the Bay Mud layer.

With adequately embedded auger cast piers, torque down piles, or helical piers, total and differential building settlements should be negligible. However, differential settlement between the building and exterior grades should be expected if deep foundations are used. Flexible utility conduits and connections are recommended to reduce the likelihood of damage at the interface with structures supported on deep foundations.

It should also be noted that construction of auger-cast piles and torque-down piles requires mobilization of large equipment to the site. Helical piers are likely the most feasible and cost-effective option for deep foundation support. Based on our experience and previous exploration

in the area, we estimate that helical piers could likely generate capacities on the order of 30-kips each at depths of about 20 to 30-feet below the bottom of the Bay Mud layer. We anticipate that lateral passive resistance would need to be provided by concrete grade beams embedded a couple of feet below grade. Specific design criteria for deep foundation systems, if needed, will be provided in a future design level geotechnical report.

5.4 Interior Concrete Slabs-On-Grade

Interior concrete slabs should be reinforced with steel bars (not wire mesh) and should be designed by the Structural Engineer. Contraction joints should be incorporated in the concrete slab in both directions, no greater than 10 feet on center, and reinforcing bars should extend continuously through the control joints.

To improve interior (conditioned space) moisture conditions, a 6-inch layer of clean, free draining, 3/4-inch angular gravel should be placed beneath the interior concrete slabs to form a capillary moisture break. The rock must be placed on a properly moisture conditioned and compacted subgrade that has been approved by the Geotechnical Engineer.

A plastic membrane vapor barrier, 15 mils or thicker and meeting the requirements of ASTM E-1745 Class A, should be placed over the rock layer, and be installed per ASTM 1643. A 2-inch dry sand layer can be placed over the vapor barrier to reduce puncture of the plastic membrane and aid in slab curing. However, the 2-inch sand layer may be omitted if approved by structural engineer and moisture sensitive floor coverings will be used. Eliminating the capillary moisture break and/or plastic vapor barrier may result in excess moisture intrusion through the floor slabs resulting in poor performance of floor coverings, mold growth, or other adverse conditions.

It should be pointed out that where the gravel capillary break layer is placed beneath floor slabs, there is a possibility that water will tend to collect in the gravel layer and become trapped. If this condition occurs, the potential for moisture problems at the surface of the slab will be increased. One method of minimizing the potential for this to occur would be to construct a subdrain trench through and just below the gravel layer so that water collected in this area can escape. The subdrain should extend at least 12 inches below the base of the slab and 6 inches below the bottom of the gravel layer, and would consist of a four-inch diameter, perforated pipe (Schedule 40 PVC) surrounded by gravel. The subdrain would connect to the gravel layer beneath the slab, and the pipe should lead (at a minimum one percent slope) to a storm drain or another suitable outlet point. The outlet pipe should transition to nonperforated pipe at a point two feet inside the perimeter footing of the structure. A compacted clayey soil plug, or other type of moisture barrier should be used at the point where the outlet pipe penetrates the perimeter footing to prevent seepage from back-flowing into the under-slab area. We recommend that the under-slab drains should be spaced no more than 25 feet on center.

This industry standard approach to floor slab moisture control, as discussed above, does not ensure that floor slab moisture transmission rates will meet floor covering manufacturer's requirements or that indoor humidity levels will be low enough to inhibit mold growth. Building design, construction, and intended use have a significant role in moisture problems and should be carefully evaluated by the owner, designer, and builder in order to meet the project requirements.

5.5 Exterior Concrete Slabs

Exterior concrete walkway slabs and other concrete slabs that are not subjected to vehicle loads should be a minimum of 5 inches thick and underlain with 4 inches or more of Class 2 aggregate baserock. The aggregate baserock should be moisture conditioned to near optimum and compacted to at least 95 percent relative compaction. The upper 8 inches of subgrade on which aggregate baserock is placed should be prepared as previously discussed under Section 5.2.

Where improved performance is desired (i.e., reduced risks of cracking or small movements), exterior slabs can be thickened to 6 inches and reinforced with steel reinforcing bars (not welded wire mesh). We recommend crack control joints no farther than 6 feet apart in both directions and that the reinforcing bars extend through the control joints. Some movement or offset at sidewalk joints should be expected as the underlying soils expand and shrink from seasonal moisture changes or experience differential settlement due to static or seismic loading.

5.6 Site and Foundation Drainage

Careful consideration should be given to design of finished grades at the site. We recommend that the building areas be raised slightly and that the adjoining landscaped areas be sloped downward at least 0.25 feet for 5 feet (5 percent) from the perimeter of building foundations. Where hard surfaces, such as concrete or asphalt adjoin foundations, slope these surfaces at least 0.10 feet in the first 5 feet (2 percent).

Roof gutter downspouts may discharge onto the pavements but should not discharge onto landscaped areas immediately adjacent to the buildings. Provide area drains for landscape planters adjacent to buildings and collect downspout discharges into a tight pipe collection system that discharges well away from the building foundations. Site drainage should be discharged away from the building areas and outlets should be designed to reduce erosion. Site drainage improvements should be connected into an established storm drainage system.

5.7 Underground Utilities

Excavations for utilities will generally encounter a combination of loose to dense clayey sand and soft to stiff clayey soils containing variable amounts of sand and gravel. Groundwater may be encountered at shallow depths. Trench excavations having a depth of 5 feet or more must be excavated and shored in accordance with OSHA regulations, as discussed in Section 5.2.2.

Unless otherwise recommended by the pipe manufacturer, pipe bedding and embedment materials should consist of well-graded sand with 90 to 100 percent of particles passing the No. 4 sieve and no more than 5 percent finer than the No. 200 sieve. Crushed rock or pea gravel may also be considered for pipe bedding. Provide the minimum bedding thickness beneath the pipe in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations (typically 3 to 6 inches). Trench backfill may consist of on-site soils, provided that the soil meets the fill criteria outlined in Section 5.2.3.

or imported aggregate baserock. Trench backfill should be moisture conditioned and placed in thin lifts and compacted to at least 90 percent (ASTM D1557). Use equipment and methods that are suitable for work in confined areas without damaging utility conduits.

Gravity utilities should be designed to account for estimated future settlements, as outlined in this report.

5.8 Pavements

We have calculated thicknesses for asphalt pavements in accordance with Caltrans procedures for flexible pavement design. Our calculations assume an R-value of 10 and a range of Traffic Indices from 4.0 to 7.0 depending on the expected traffic loads for a twenty-year design life. The R-value should be confirmed with future laboratory testing. In general, areas expected to experience loading from heavy vehicles should be designed using a higher Traffic Index, while parking areas and other lightly loaded areas can utilize a thinner pavement section based on a lower Traffic Index. The recommended pavement sections are presented in Table 7.

Table 7 – Asphalt-Concrete Pavement Sections

Traffic Index ¹	Asphalt Concrete (inches)	Aggregate Base (inches)
4.0	2.5	8.0
5.0	3.0	9.0
6.0	3.5	12.0
7.0	4.0	15.0

(1) Traffic Index for final pavement design to be determined by the project Civil Engineer.

In pavement areas, the upper 12 inches of subgrade should be compacted to at least 95 percent relative compaction. The aggregate base and asphalt-concrete should conform to the most recent version of Caltrans Standard Specifications and should be compacted to at least 95 percent relative compaction. Additionally, the subgrade and aggregate base should be firm and unyielding under heavy, rubber-tired construction equipment. If heavier truck traffic or “superior” performance is desired, the thickness of the aggregate base and asphalt may be increased.

6.0 SUPPLEMENTAL GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES

Following review and consideration of this report, we should consult with the project team regarding the “preferred” foundation type for the new structures. Supplemental exploration and laboratory testing will be required once building details are better defined (e.g., building layouts and structural loads, extent of excavation, etc.) to prepare design level geotechnical recommendations. We will also be available to provide consultation throughout the design process on other geotechnical-related items.

As project plans near completion, we should review them to ensure that the intent of our recommendations has been sufficiently incorporated in the design. During construction, we should be present intermittently to observe and test the geotechnical portions of the work. The purpose of our observation and testing is to confirm that site conditions are as anticipated, to adjust our recommendations and design criteria if needed, and to confirm that the Contractor's work is performed in accordance with the project plans and specifications.

7.0 LIMITATIONS

We believe this report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering practices in the San Francisco Bay Area at the time the report was prepared. This report has been prepared for the exclusive use of Thompson/Dorfman and/or their assignees specifically for this project. No other warranty, expressed or implied, is made. Our evaluations and recommendations are based on the data obtained during our subsurface exploration program and our experience with soil conditions in this geographic area.

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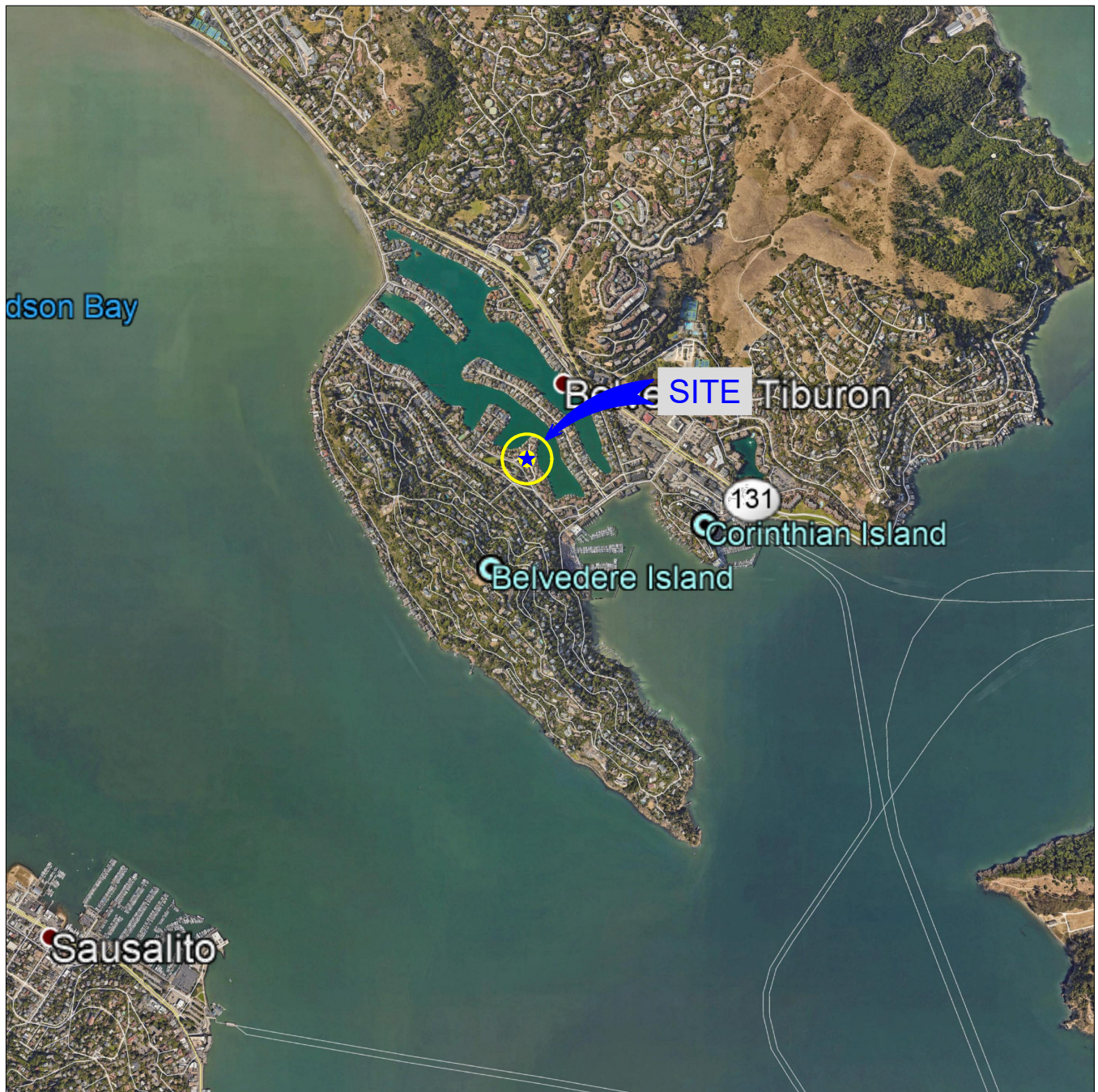
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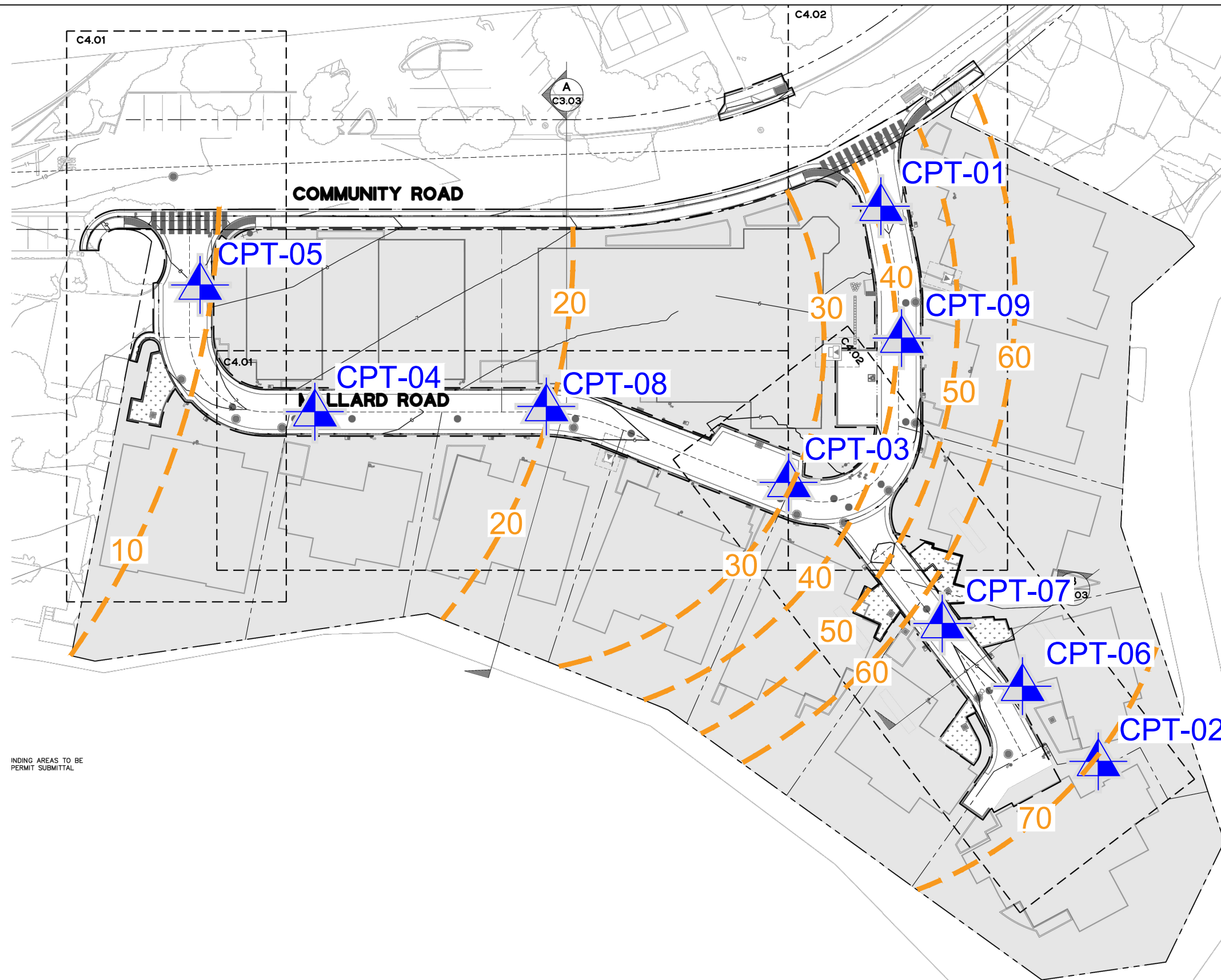
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Approximate location of CPT completed by MPEG, 2021 and 2024

Approximate Bay Mud thickness contours

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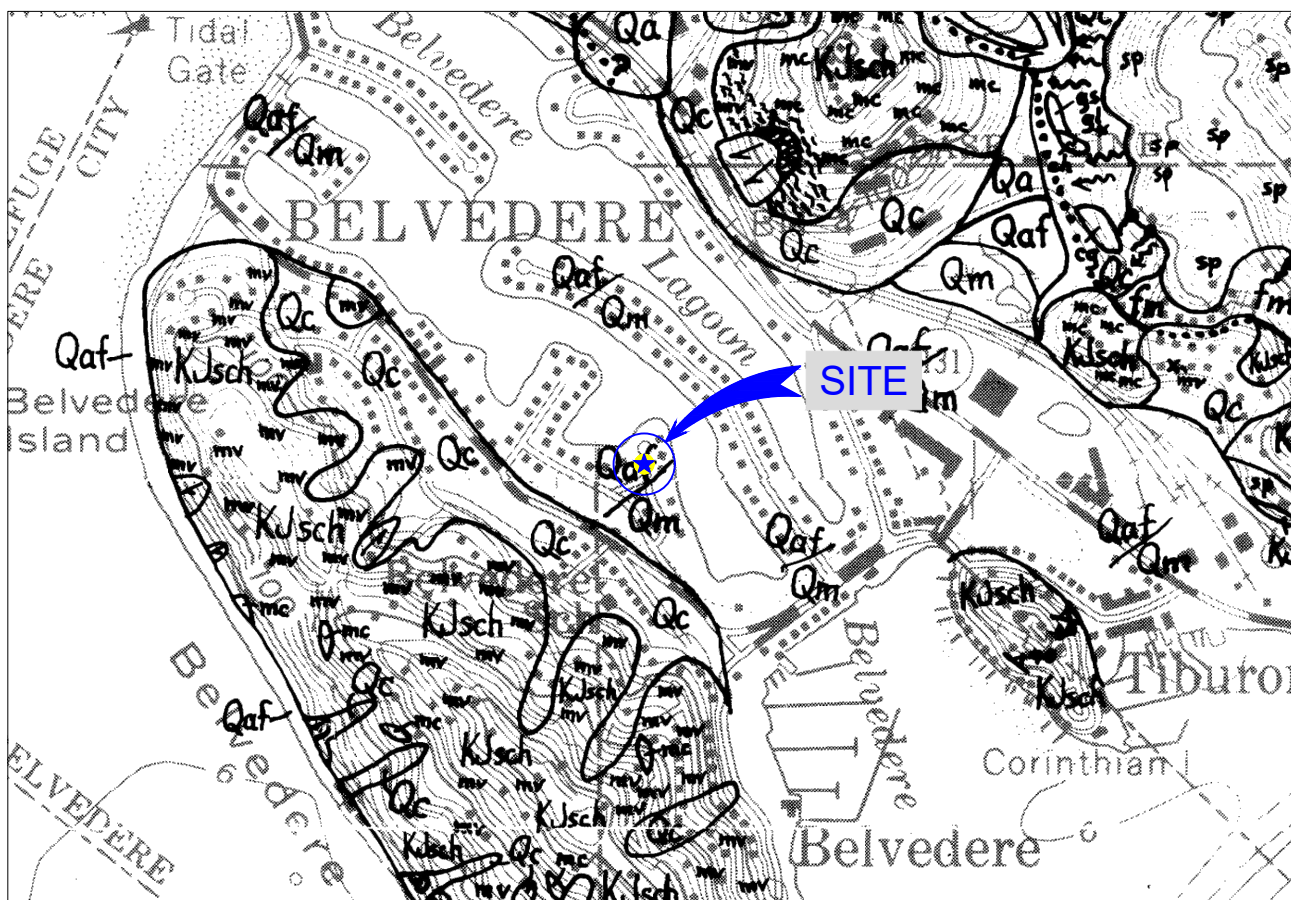
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- Qaf** Artificial Fill - Deposits of rock, soil, garbage and trash, or bay mud placed by man upon natural surfaces, mostly for engineering purposes. Highly variable from place to place as to composition, degree of compaction, etc.
- Qm** Bay Mud - Marshlands, former marshlands, and mudflats bordering San Francisco and San Pablo Bays. Mostly at or below mean sea level; these are thick deposits of unconsolidated, low-density, semi-fluid, highly compressible, highly impermeable silty clay.
- Qc** Colluvium - Unsorted sands, silts, clays and weathered rock fragments accumulated on or at the base of slopes by natural gravitational or slope wash processes
- KJsch** Semi-schist, Phyllite, and Schist - Predominately slightly to well foliated or lineated metamorphosed sedimentary and volcanic rocks.

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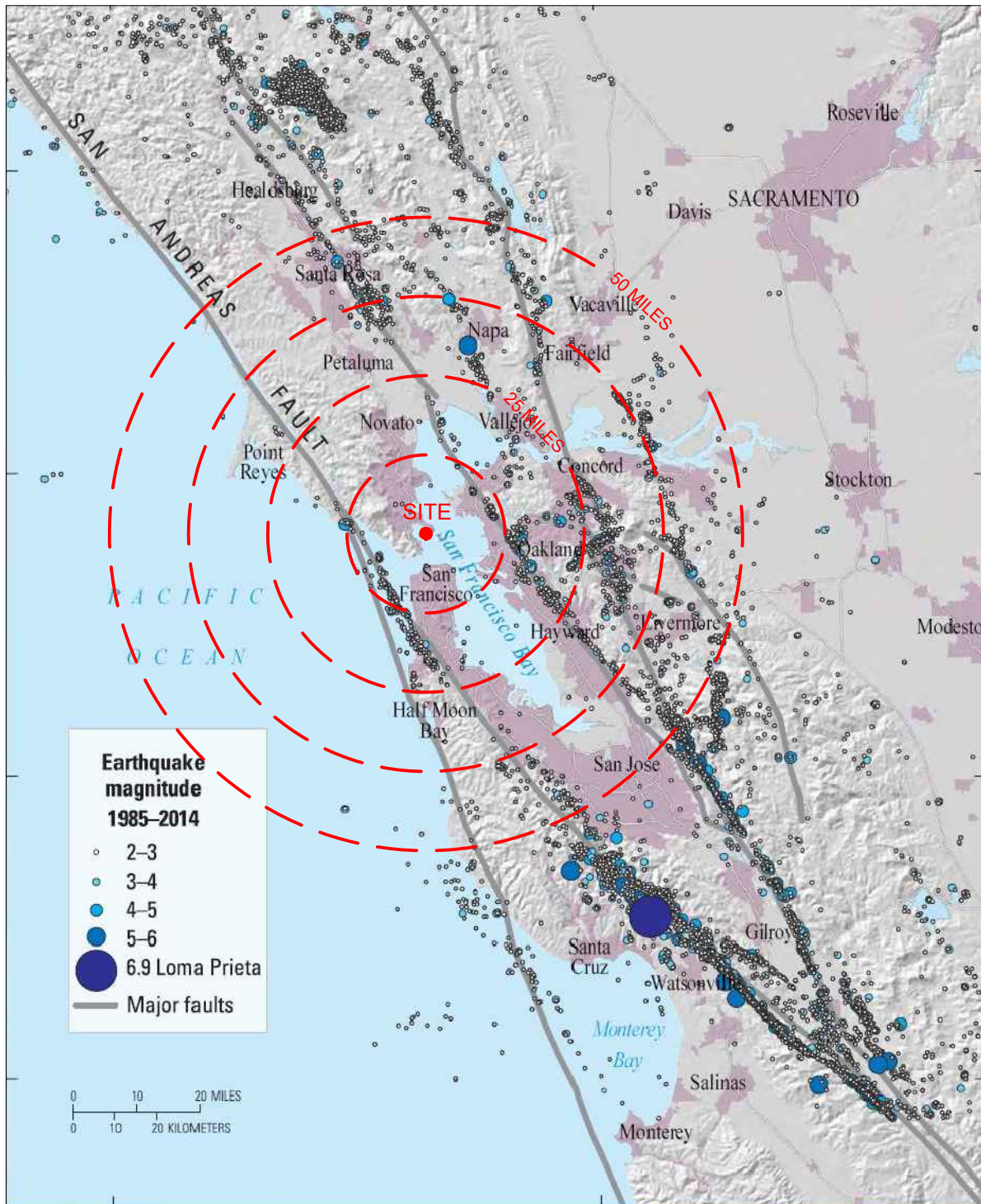
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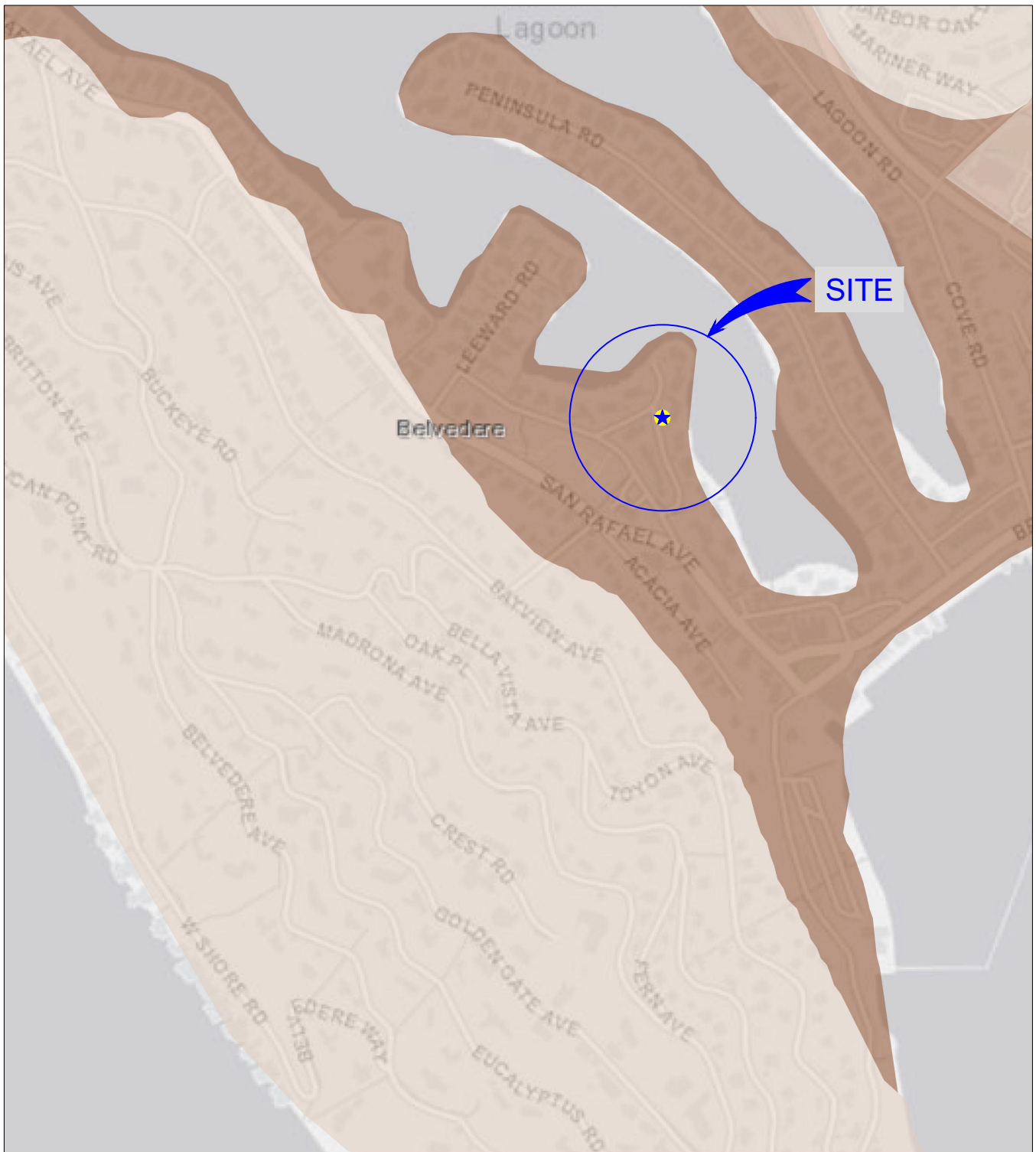
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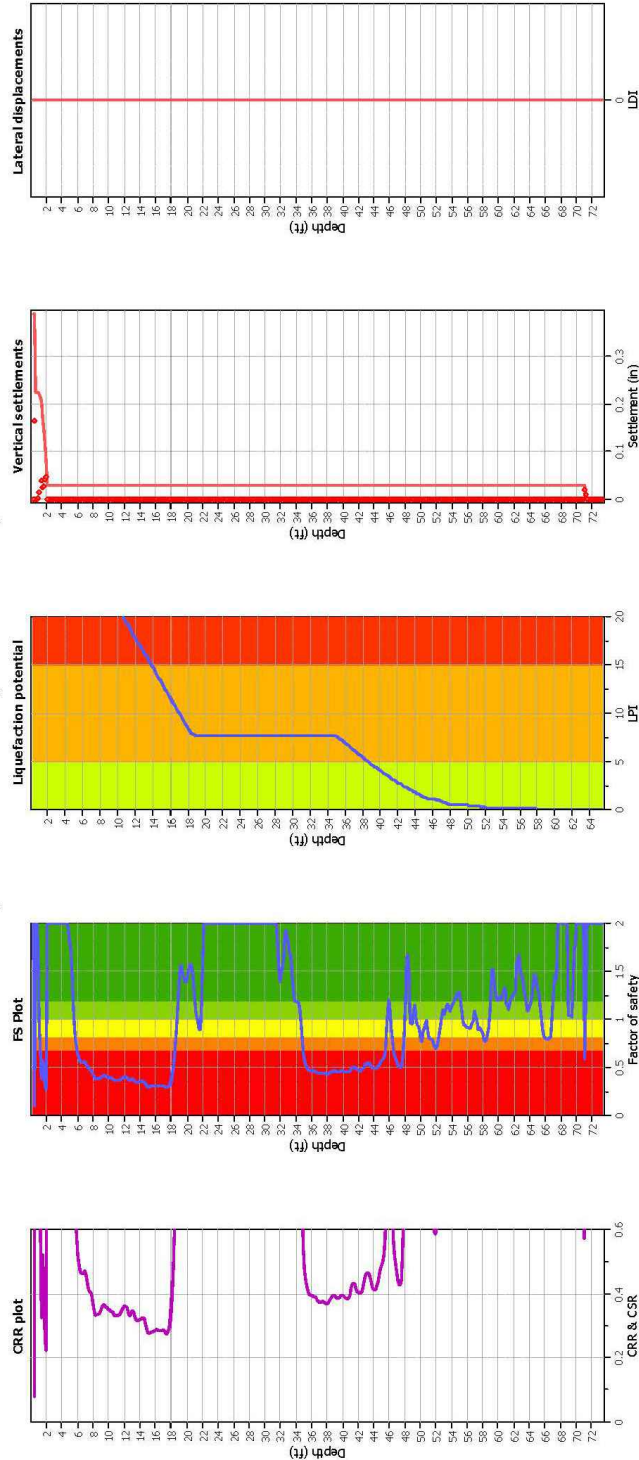
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Input parameters and analysis data

Analysis method: B&I (2014)
Fines correction method: B&I (2014)
Points to test: Based on I_c value
Earthquake magnitude M_w : 8.04
Peak ground acceleration: 0.63
Depth to water table (instu): 9.00 ft

Depth to GW/T (earthq.): 0.00 ft
Average results interval: 3
 I_c cut-off value: 2.60
Unit weight calculation: Based on SPT
Use fill: No
Fill height: N/A

Fill weight: N/A
Transition detect. applied: Yes
 K_s applied: Sand & Clay
Clay like behavior applied: No
Limit depth applied: N/A
Limit depth: N/A

F.S. color scheme

Almost certain it will liquefy
Very likely to liquefy
Liquefaction and no liq. are equally likely
Unlikely to liquefy
Almost certain it will not liquefy

LPT color scheme

Very high risk
High risk
Low risk

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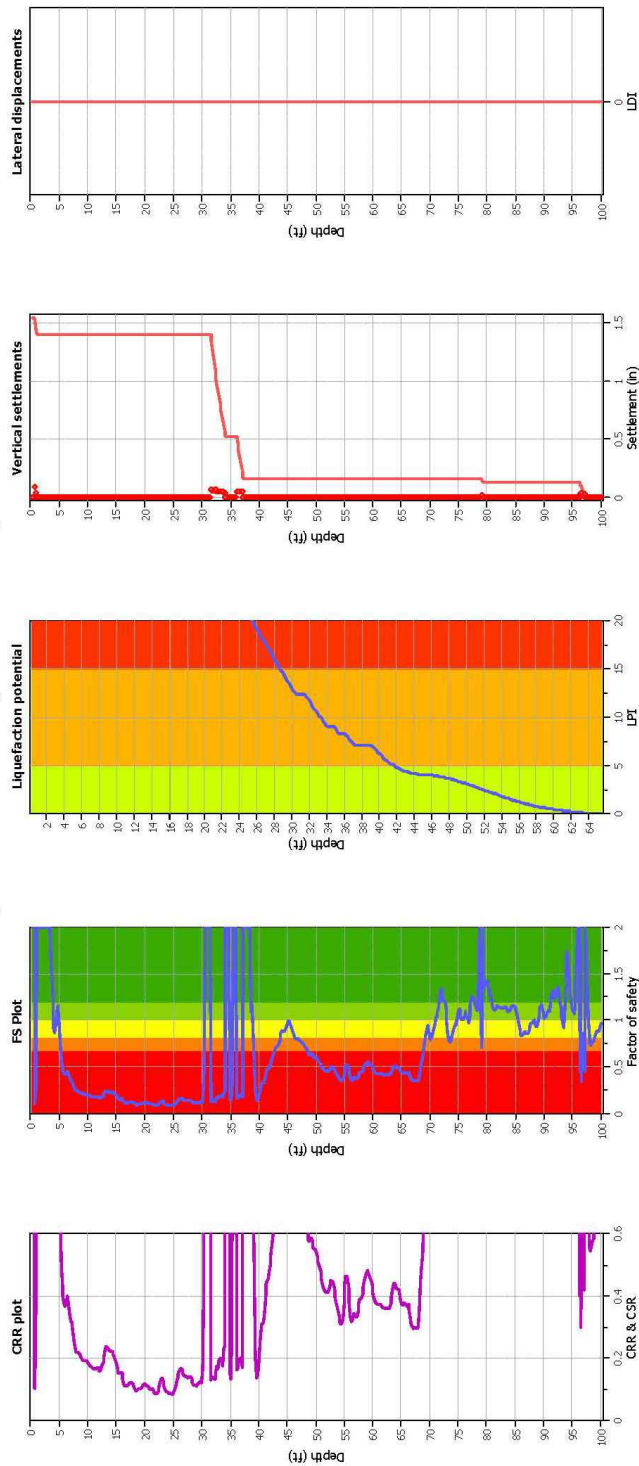
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Liquefaction analysis overall plots



Input parameters and analysis data

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 Fines correction method: B&I (2014)
 Points to test: Based on I_c value
 Earthquake magnitude M_w : 8.04
 Peak ground acceleration: 0.63
 Depth to water table (in situ): 9.00 ft

Depth to GWT (earthq.): 0.00 ft
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 I_c cut-off value: 2.60
 Unit weight calculation: Based on SBT
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Fill weight: N/A
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F.S. color scheme

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 Very likely to liquefy
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 Unlikely to liquefy
 Almost certain it will not liquefy

LPI color scheme

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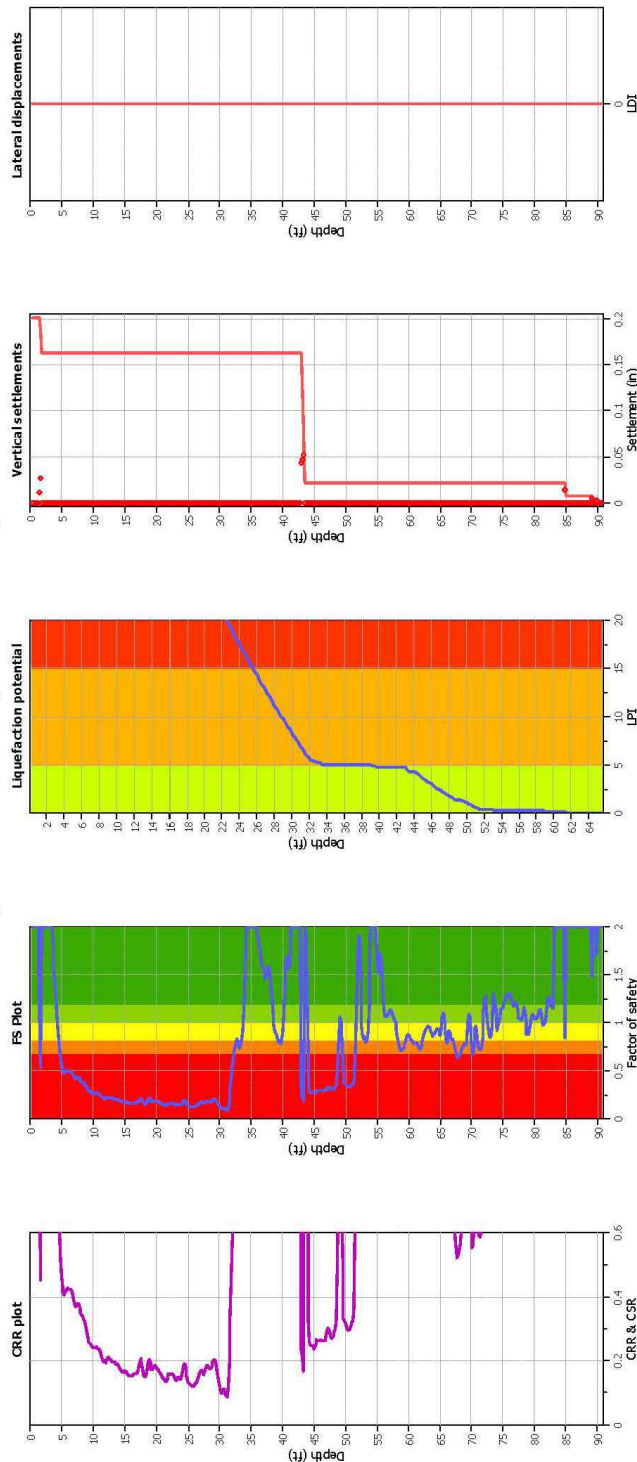
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Liquefaction analysis overall plots



Input parameters and analysis data

Analysis method: B&I (2014)
 Fines correction method: B&I (2014)
 Points to test: Based on I_c value
 Earthquake magnitude M_w : 8.04
 Peak ground acceleration: 0.63
 Depth to water table (in situ): 6.00 ft

Depth to GWT (ertq): 0.00 ft
 Average results interval: 3
 I_c cut-off value: 2.60
 Unit weight calculation: Based on SBT
 Use fill: No
 Fill height: N/A

Fill weight: N/A
 Transition detect. applied: Yes
 K_r applied: Sand & Clay
 Clay like behavior applied: No
 Limit depth applied: N/A
 Limit depth: N/A

F.S. color scheme

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 Unlikely to liquefy
 Almost certain it will not liquefy

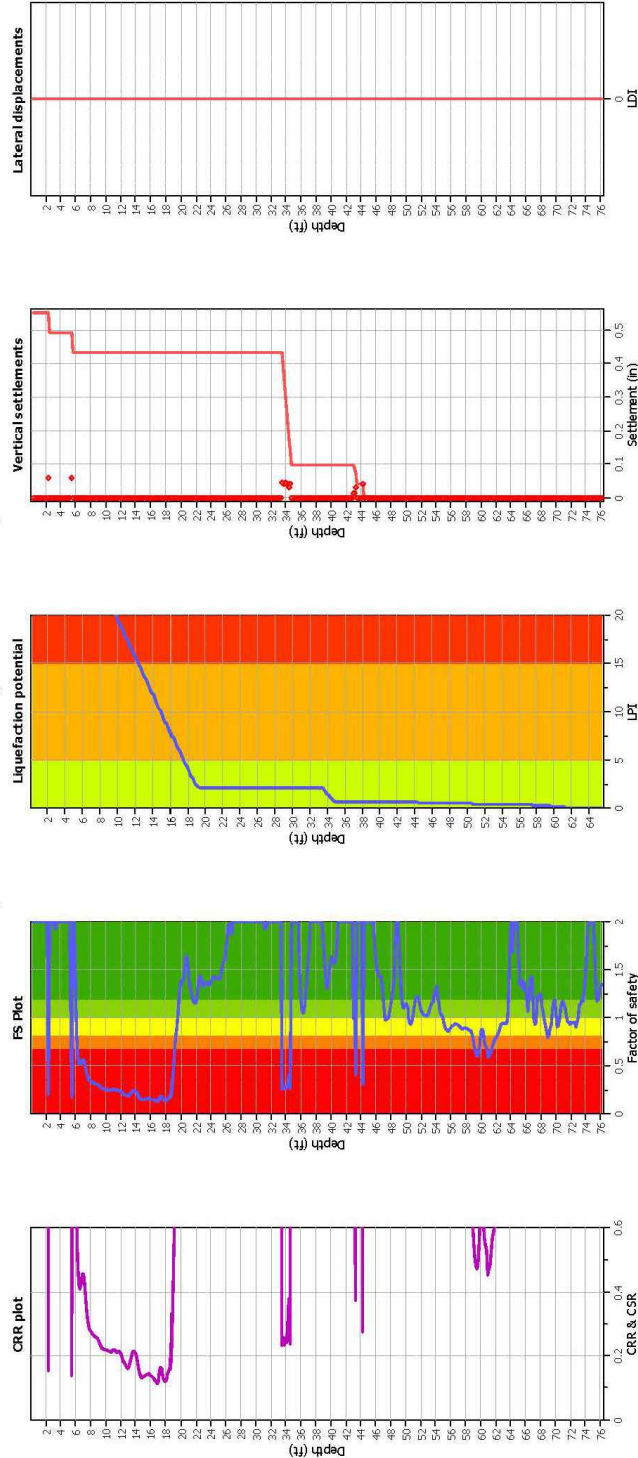
LPI color scheme

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Input parameters and analysis data

Analysis method: B&I (2014)
Fines correction method: B&I (2014)
Points to test: Based on I_c value
Earthquake magnitude M_w : 8.04
Peak ground acceleration: 0.63
Depth to water table (in situ): 6.00 ft

Depth to GWT (ertq): 0.00 ft
Average results interval: 3
 I_c cut-off value: 2.60
Unit weight calculation: Based on SBT
Use fill: No
Fill height: N/A

Fill weight: N/A
Transition detect. applied: Yes
 K_r applied: Sand & Clay
Clay like behavior applied: No
Limit depth applied: N/A
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F.S. color scheme

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Unlike to liquefy
Almost certain it will not liquefy

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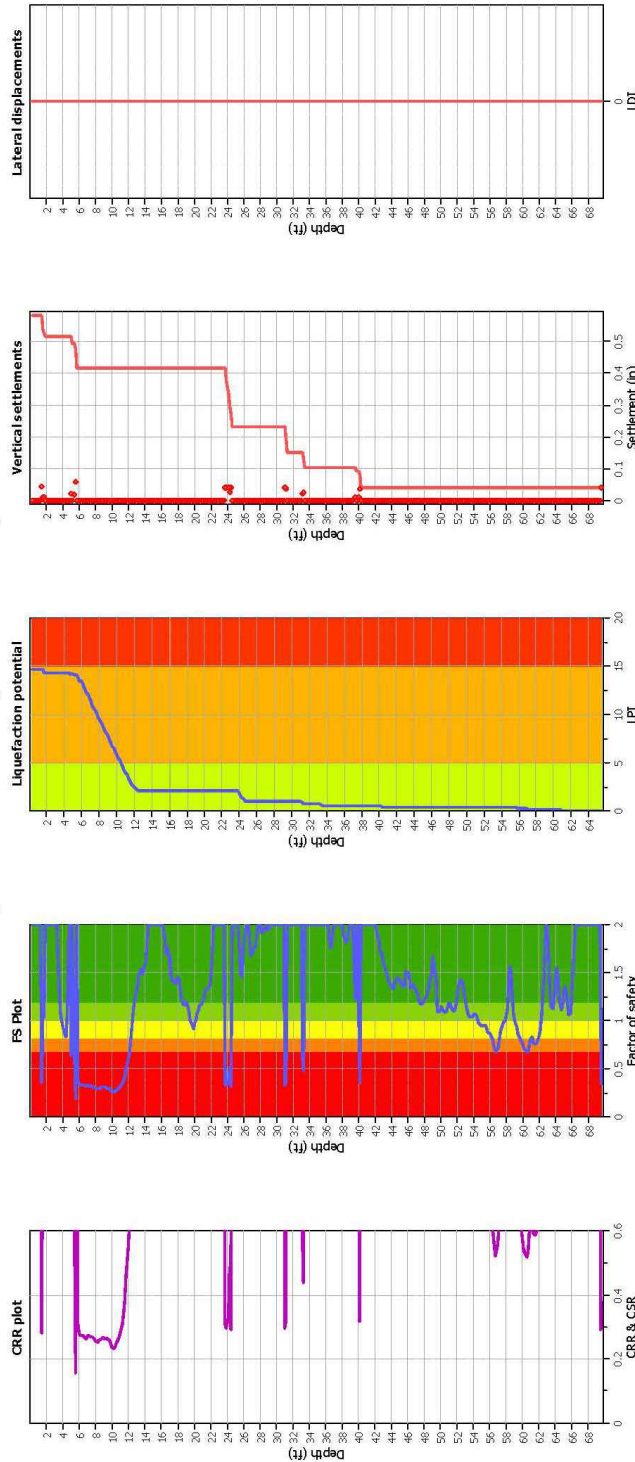
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Fines correction method: B&I (2014)
Points to test: Based on I_c value
Earthquake magnitude M_w : 8.04
Peak ground acceleration: 0.63
Depth to water table (in situ): 6.00 ft

Depth to GWT (ertq): 0.00 ft
Average results interval: 3
 I_c cut-off value: 2.60
Unit weight calculation: Based on SBT
Use fill: No
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Fill weight: N/A
Transition detect. applied: Yes
 K_r applied: Sand & Clay
Clay like behavior applied: No
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Almost certain it will not liquefy

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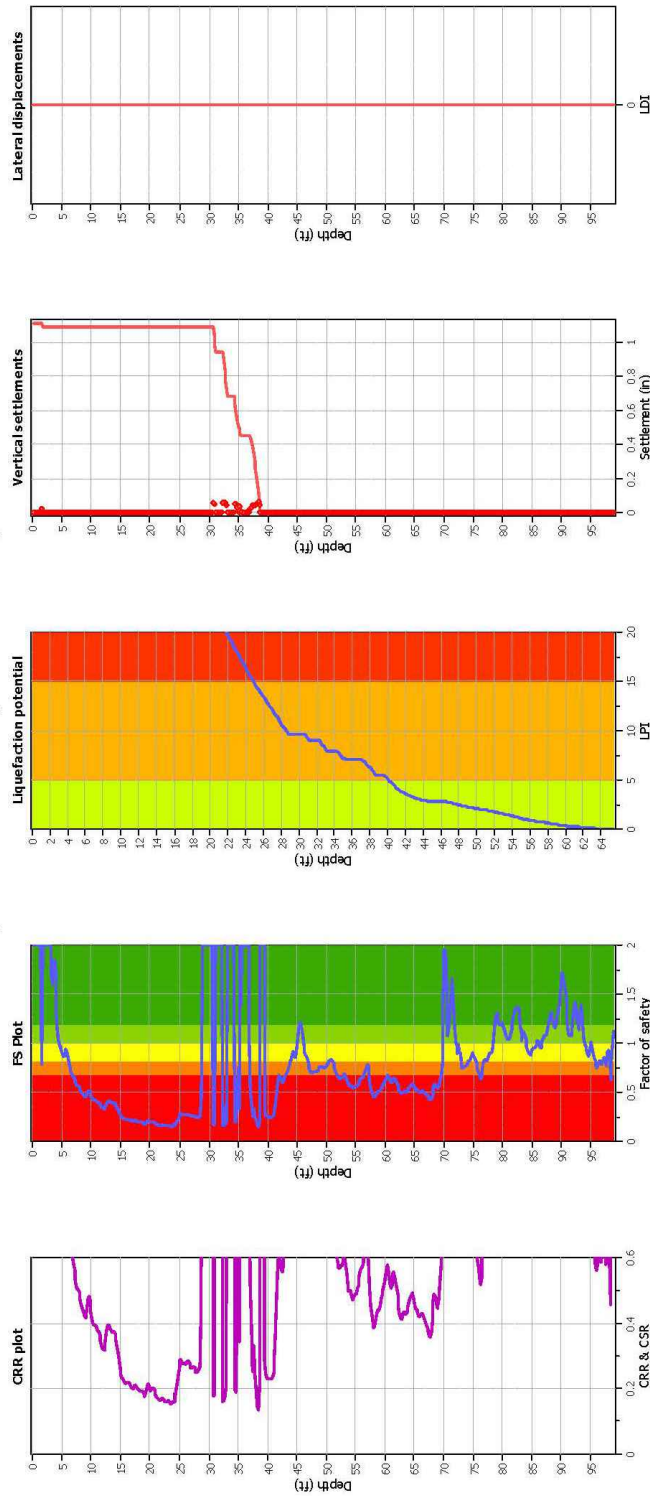
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Input parameters and analysis data

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Fines correction method: B&T (2014)
Points to test: Based on τ_c value
Earthquake magnitude M_w : 8.04
Peak ground acceleration: 0.63
Depth to water table (instu): 3.00 ft

Depth to GWT (ortho): 0.00 ft
Average results interval: 2
 τ_c cut-off value: 2.60
Unit weight calculation: Based on SBT
Use fill: No
Fill height: N/A

Fill weight: N/A
Transition detect. applied: Yes
 K_0 applied: Sand & Clay
Clay like behavior applied: No
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LPI color scheme

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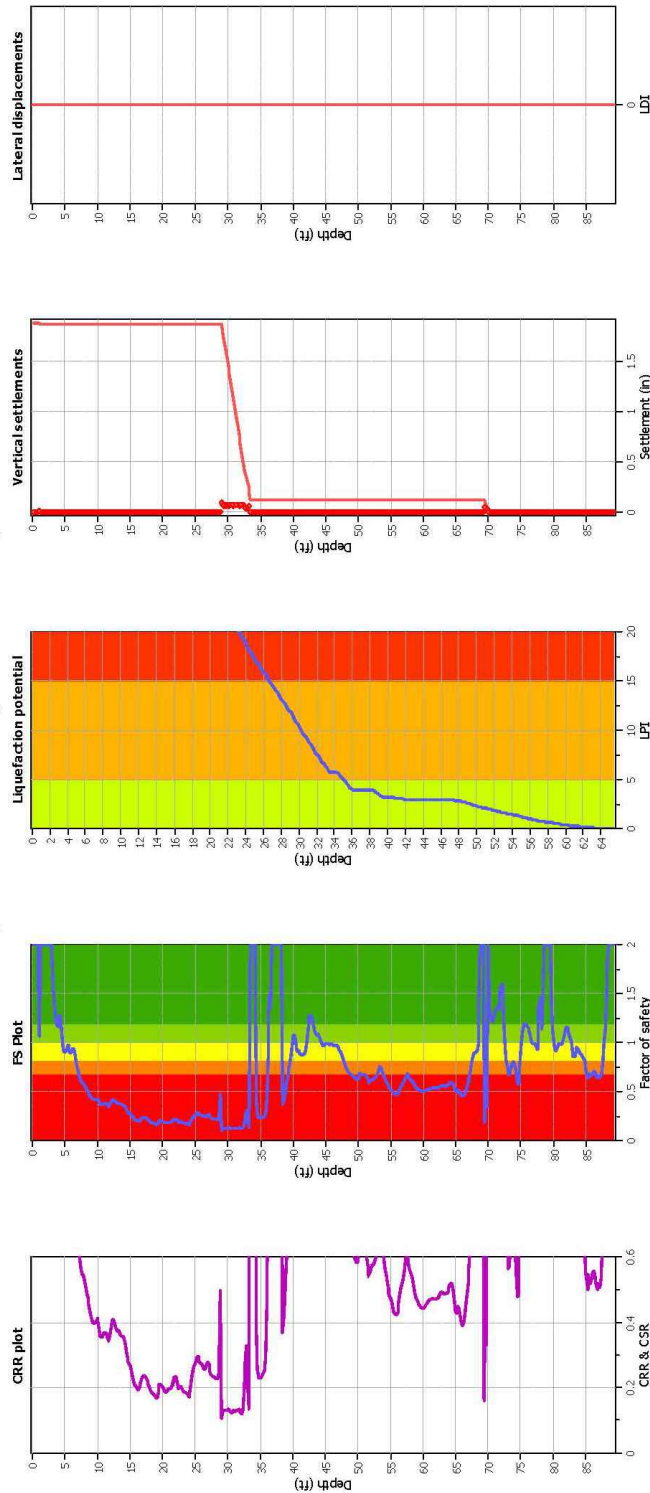
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Points to test: Based on I_c value
Earthquake magnitude M_w : 8.04
Peak ground acceleration: 0.63
Depth to water table (inst): 3.00 ft

Depth to GWT (ortho): 0.00 ft
Average results interval: 2
 I_c cut-off value: 2.60
Unit weight calculation: Based on SBT
Use fill: No
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Clay like behavior applied: Sand & Clay
Limit depth applied: No
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LPI color scheme

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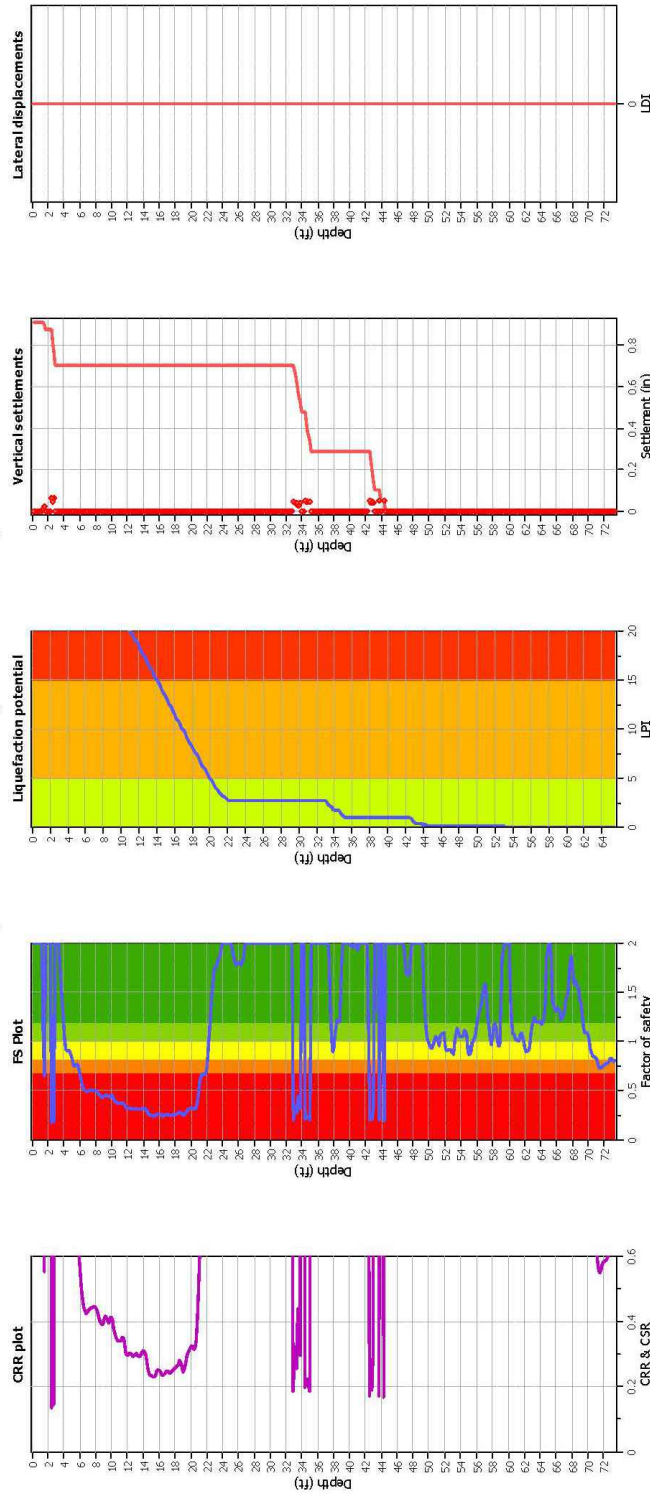
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Fines correction method: B&T (2014)
Points to test: Based on I_c value
Earthquake magnitude M_w : 8.04
Peak ground acceleration: 0.63
Depth to water table (inst): 3.00 ft

Depth to GWT (ortho): 0.00 ft
Average results interval: 3
 I_c cut-off value: 2.60
Unit weight calculation: Based on SBT
Use fill: No
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Fill weight: N/A
Transition detect. applied: Yes
 K_f applied: Sand & Clay
Clay like behavior applied: No
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Limit depth: N/A

F.S. color scheme

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Unlike to liquefy
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LPI color scheme

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High risk
Low risk

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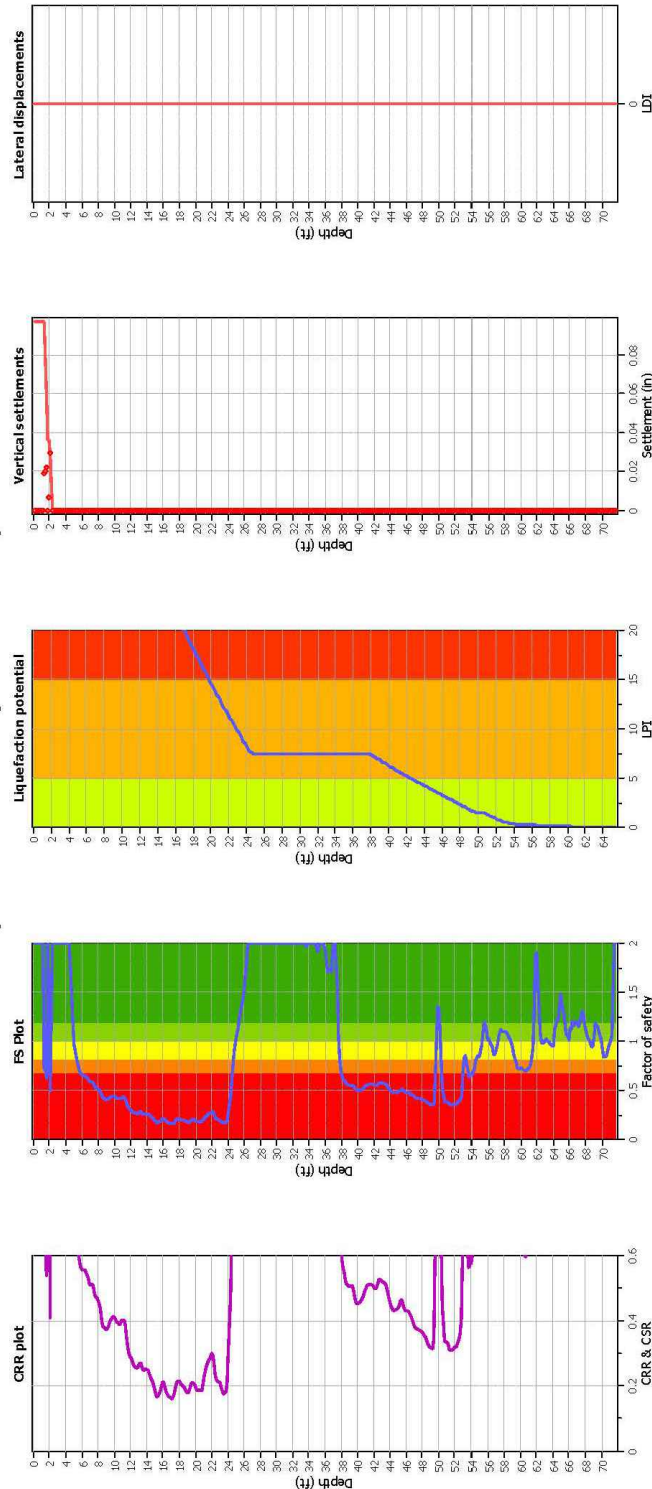
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Input parameters and analysis data

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Fines correction method: B&L (2014)
Points to test: Based on τ_c value
Earthquake magnitude M_w : 8.04
Peak ground acceleration: 0.63
Depth to water table (inst): 3.00 ft

Depth to GWT (ortho): 0.00 ft
Average results interval: 3
 τ_c cut-off value: 2.60
Unit weight calculation: Based on SBT
Use fill: No
Fill height: N/A

Fill weight: N/A
Transition detect. applied: Yes
 K_0 applied: Yes
Clay like behavior applied: Sand & Clay
Limit depth applied: No
Limit depth: N/A

F.S. color scheme

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Very likely to liquefy
Liquefaction and no liq. are equally likely
Unlikely to liquefy
Almost certain it will not liquefy

LPI color scheme

Very high risk
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FEMA Flood Hazard:

- 100-Year
- 500-Year

No Scale



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FEMA DIGITAL FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP (DFIRM)

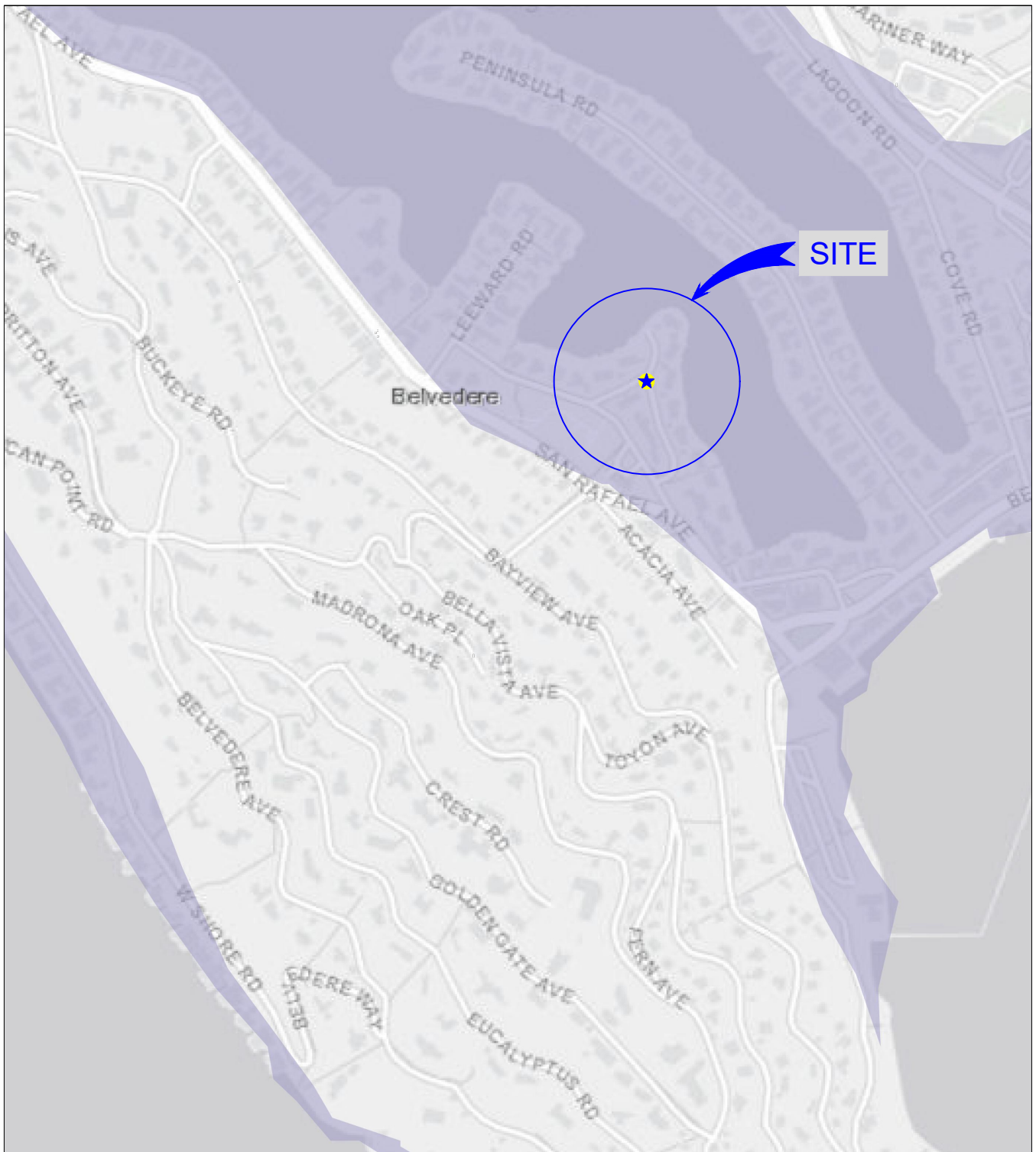
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Legend:

 Tsunami Evacuation Zone

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APPENDIX A SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION AND LABORATORY TESTING

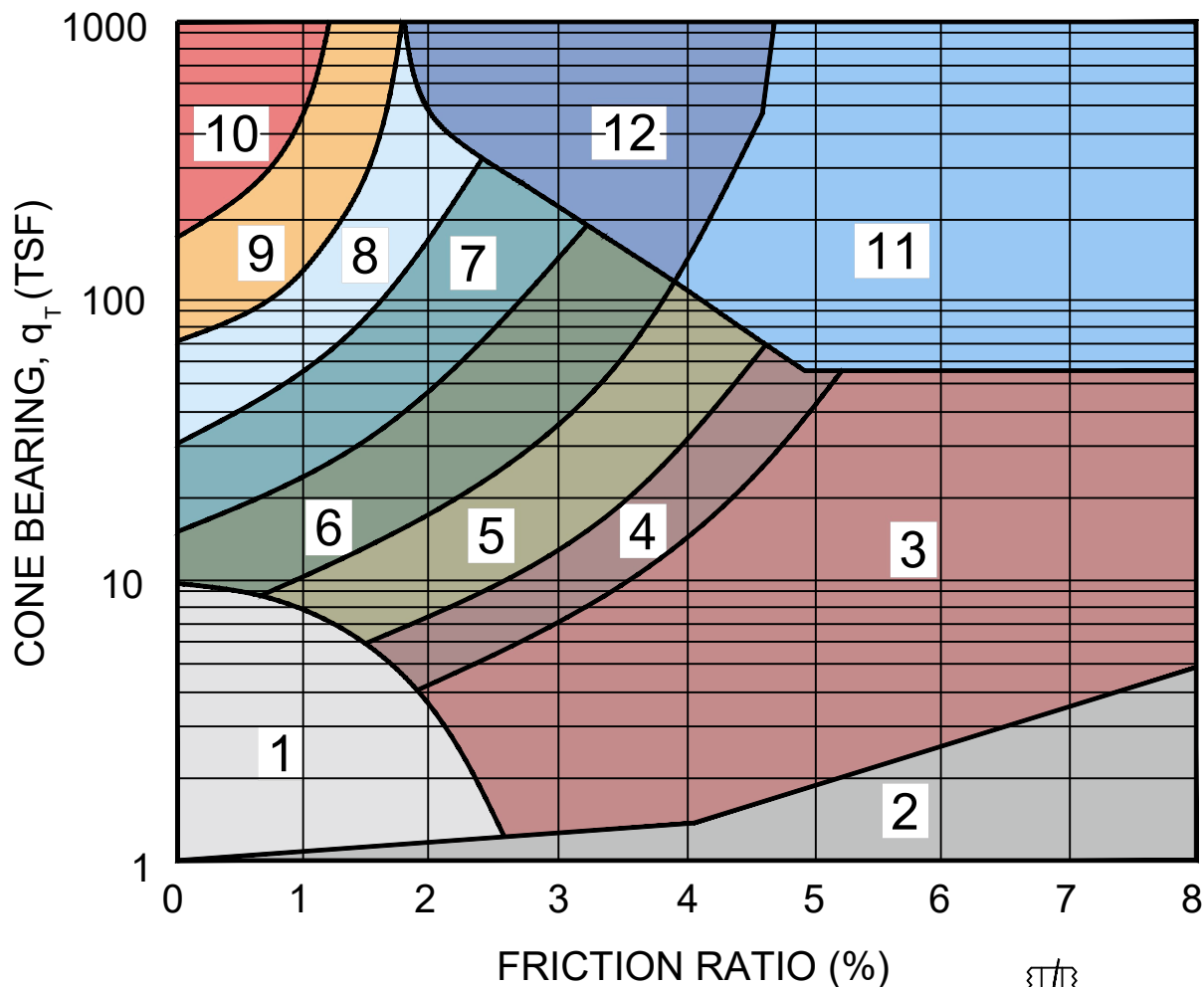
A. SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION

We performed nine Cone Penetration Tests (CPT) on April 26, 2021, and September 3, 2024, at the locations shown on the Site Plan, Figure 2. The CPT is a special exploration technique that provides a continuous profile of data throughout the depth of exploration. It is particularly useful in defining stratigraphy, relative soil strength and in assessing liquefaction potential.

The CPT is a cylindrical probe, 35 mm in diameter, which is pushed into the ground at a constant rate of 2 cm/sec. The device is illustrated on Figure A-1. It is instrumented to obtain continuous measurements of cone bearing (tip resistance), sleeve friction and pore water pressure. The data is sensed by strain gages and load cells inside the instrument. Electronic signals from the instrument are continuously recorded by an on-board computer at the surface, which permits an initial evaluation of subsurface conditions during the exploration.

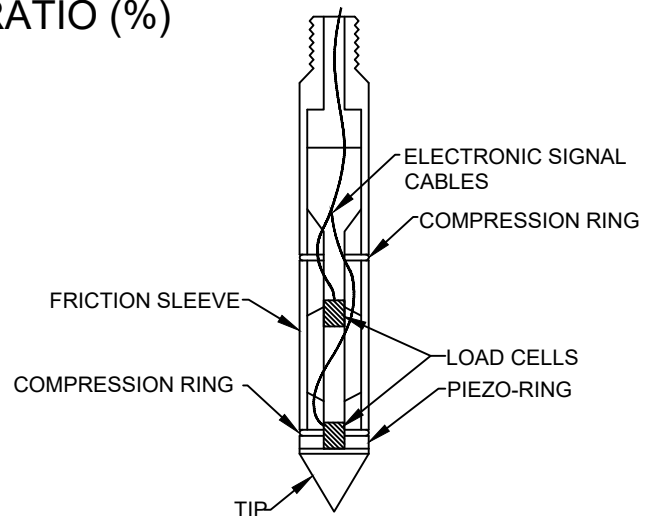
The recorded data is transferred to an in-office computer for reduction and analysis. The analysis of cone bearing and sleeve friction (i.e., friction ratio) indicates the soil type, the cone bearing alone indicates soil density or strength, and the pore pressure indicates the presence of clay. Variations in the data profile indicate changes in stratigraphy. This test method has been standardized and is described in detail by the ASTM Standard Test Method D3441 "Deep, Quasi-Static Cone and Friction Cone Penetration Tests of Soil." The interpretation of CPT data is illustrated on Figure A-1, and the CPT data logs are presented on Figures A-2 through A-10.

The exploratory CPT logs, description of soils encountered, and the laboratory test data reflect conditions only at the location of the CPTs at the time they were excavated. Conditions may differ at other locations and may change with the passage of time due to a variety of causes including natural weathering, climate, and changes in surface and subsurface drainage.



Zone:	Qc/N	Soil Behavior Type:
1)	2	Sensitive Fine Grained
2)	1	Organic Material
3)	1	Clay
4)	1.5	Silty Clay to Clay
5)	2	Clayey Silt to Silty Clay
6)	2.5	Sandy Silt to Clayey Silt
7)	3	Silty Sand to Sandy Silt
8)	4	Sand to Silty Sand
9)	5	Sand
10)	6	Gravelly Sand to Sand
11)	1	Very Stiff Fine Grained (*)
12)	2	Sand to Clayey Sand (*)

(*) Overconsolidated or Cemented



CONE PENETROMETER
(NO SCALE)

Reference: Robertson, P.K. (1986), "In-Situ Testing and Its Application to Geotechnical Engineering," Canadian Geotechnical Journal, Vol. 23; No. 23; No. 4, pp. 573-594

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Operator
Cone Number
Date and Time

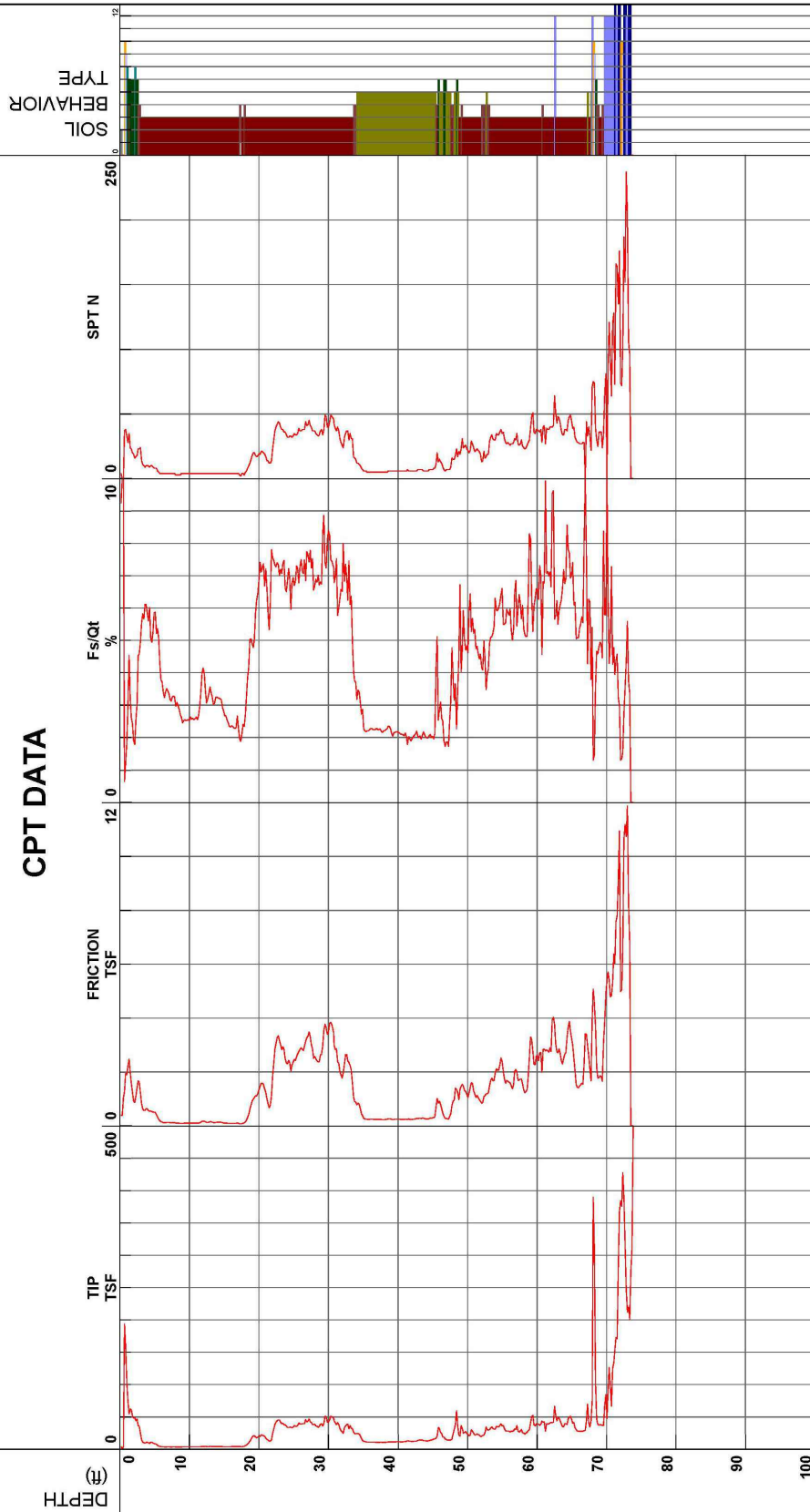
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Net Area Ratio .8

CPT DATA



- 1 - sensitive fine grained
- 2 - organic material
- 3 - clay
- 4 - silty clay to clay
- 5 - clayey silt to silty clay
- 6 - sandy silt to clayey silt
- 7 - silty sand to sandy silt
- 8 - sand to silty sand
- 9 - sand
- 10 - gravelly sand to sand
- 11 - very stiff fine grained (*)
- 12 - sand to clayey sand (*)

S_o Soil behavior type and SPT based on data from UBC-1983

Cone Size 15cm squared



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Cone Number
Date and Time
9.00 ft

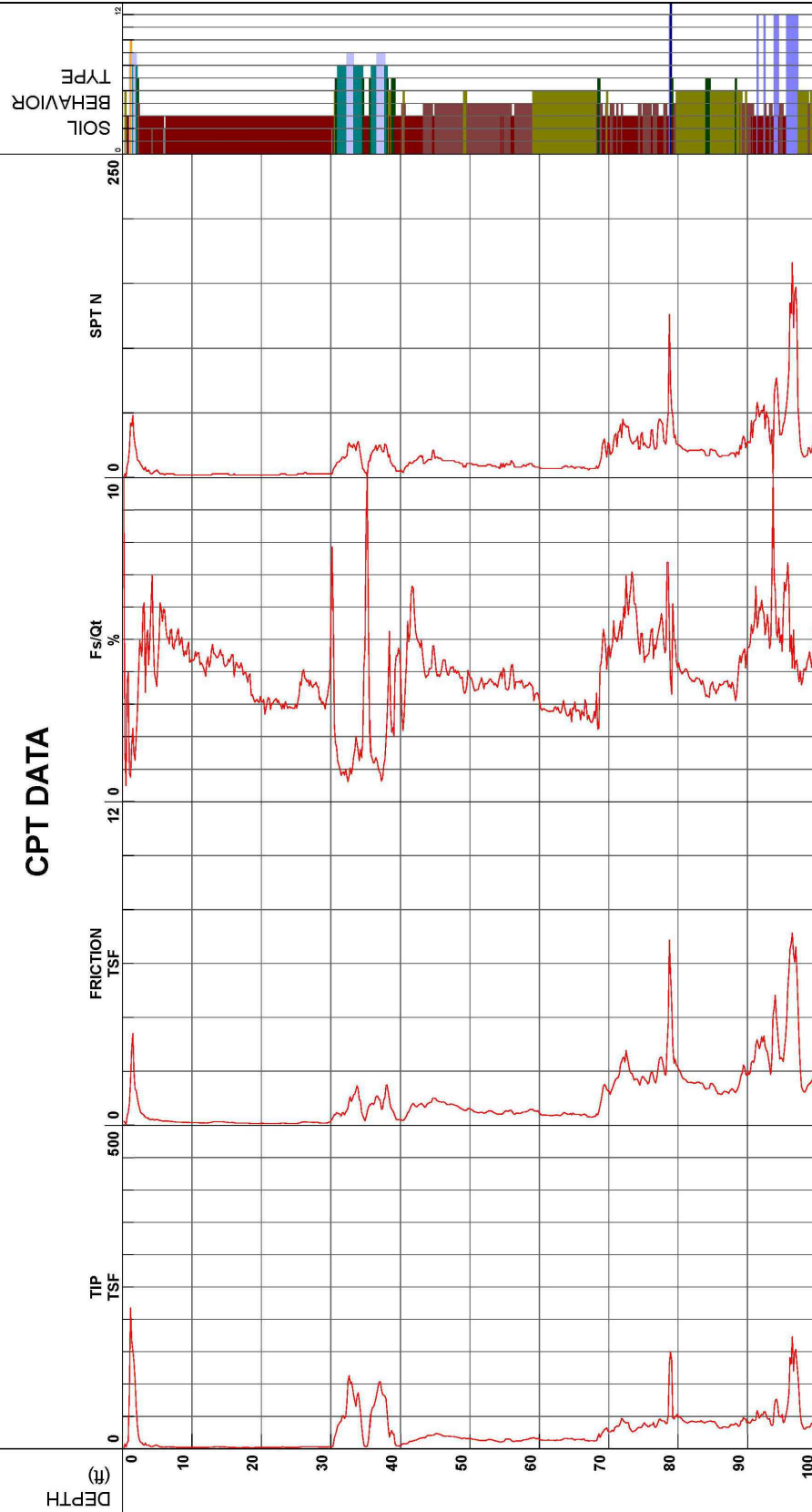
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Net Area Ratio .8

CPT DATA



- 1 - sensitive fine grained
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- 3 - clay
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- 5 - clayey silt to silty clay
- 6 - sandy silt to clayey silt
- 7 - silty sand to sandy silt
- 8 - sand to silty sand
- 9 - sand
- 10 - gravelly sand to sand
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S^oSoil behavior type and SPT based on data from UBC-1983

Cone Size 15cm squared



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Date and Time
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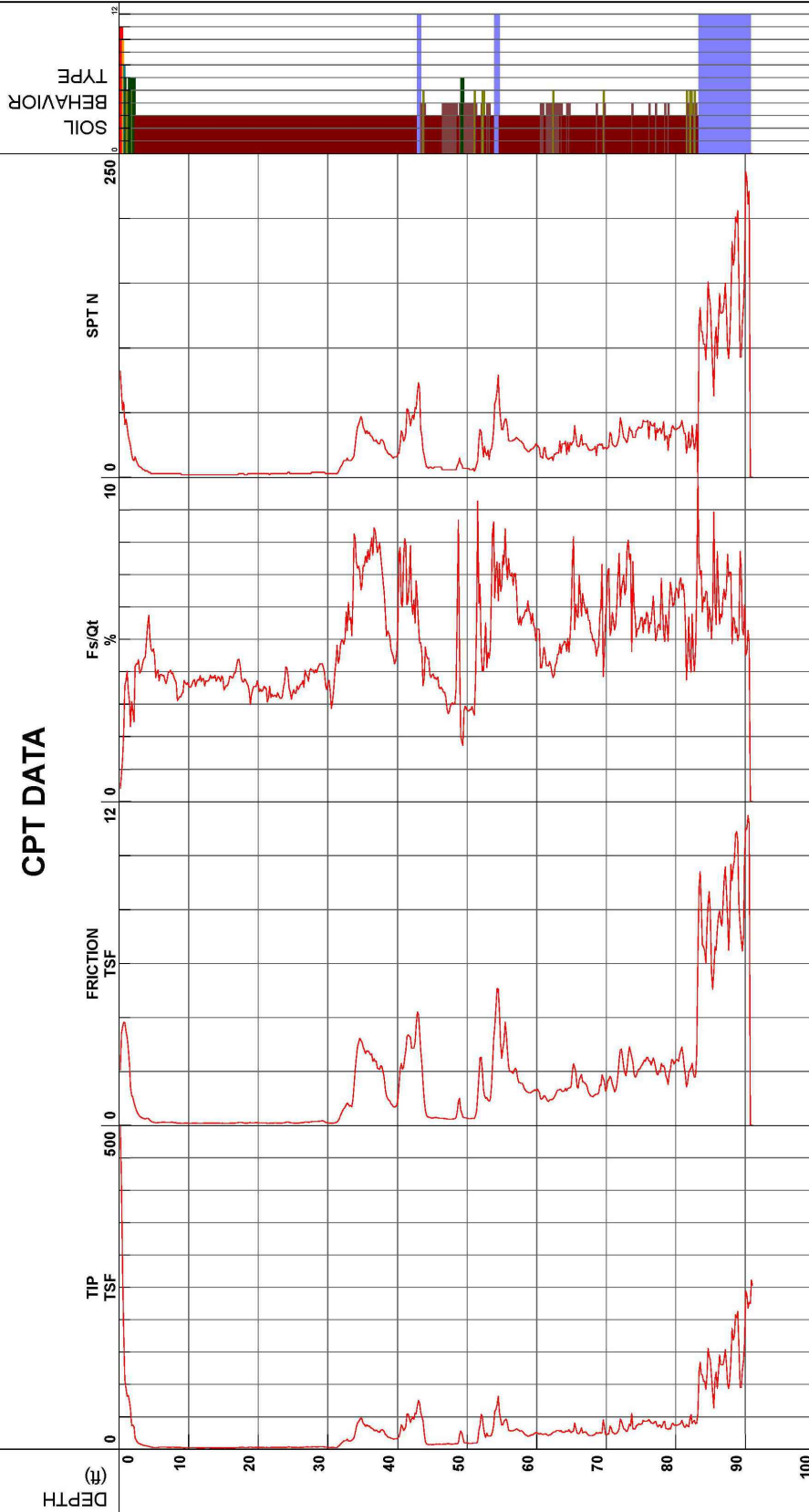
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Net Area Ratio .8

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Soil behavior type and SPT based on data from UBC-1983
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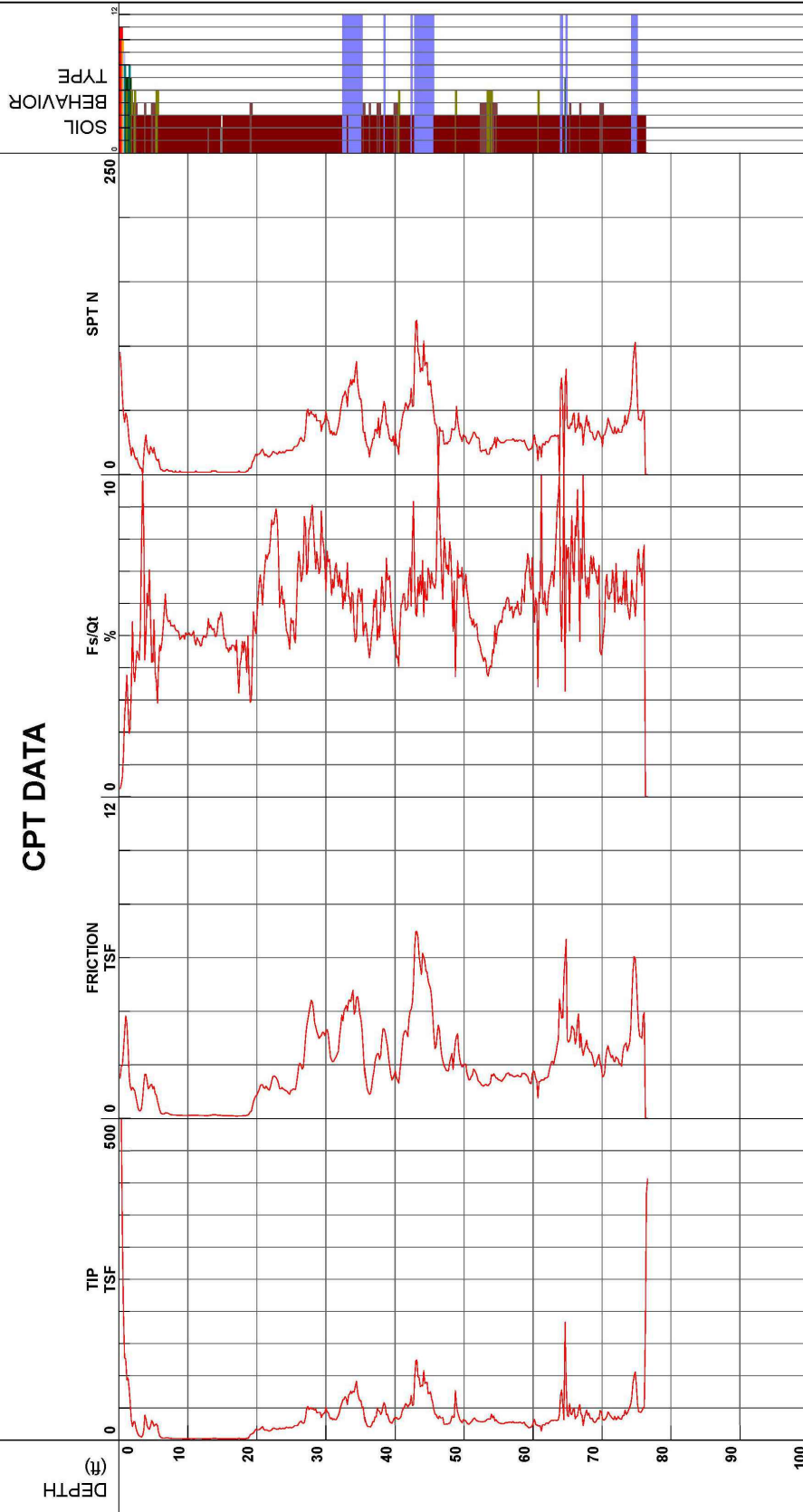
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Maximum Depth

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76.61 ft

Net Area Ratio .8

CPT DATA



Soil behavior type and SPT based on data from UBC-1983

Cone Size 15cm squared



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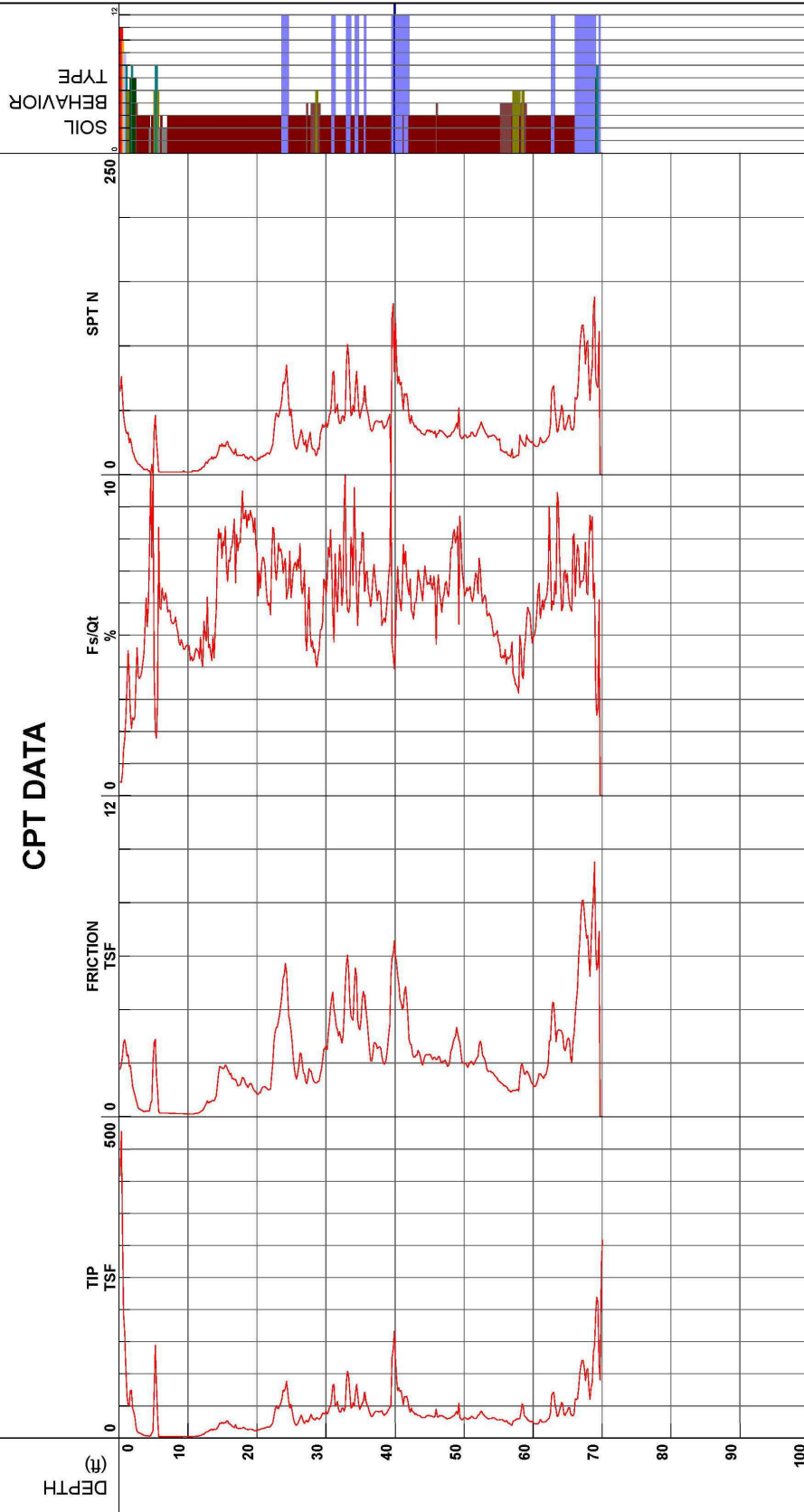
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 Job Number: 3068.001
 Hole Number: CPT-05
 EST GW Depth During Test: 6.00 ft

Operator
 Cone Number: DDG1587
 Date and Time: 4/26/2021 11:52:18 AM

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 GPS: SDF(628).cpt
 Maximum Depth: 70.05 ft

Net Area Ratio: .8

CPT DATA



1 - sensitive fine grained
 2 - organic material
 3 - clay
 4 - silty clay to clay
 5 - clayey silt to silty clay
 6 - sandy silt to clayey silt
 7 - silty sand to sandy silt
 8 - sand to silty sand
 9 - sand
 10 - gravelly sand to sand
 11 - very stiff fine grained (*)
 12 - sand to clayey sand (*)

*Soil behavior type and SPT based on data from UBC-1983

Cone Size 15cm squared



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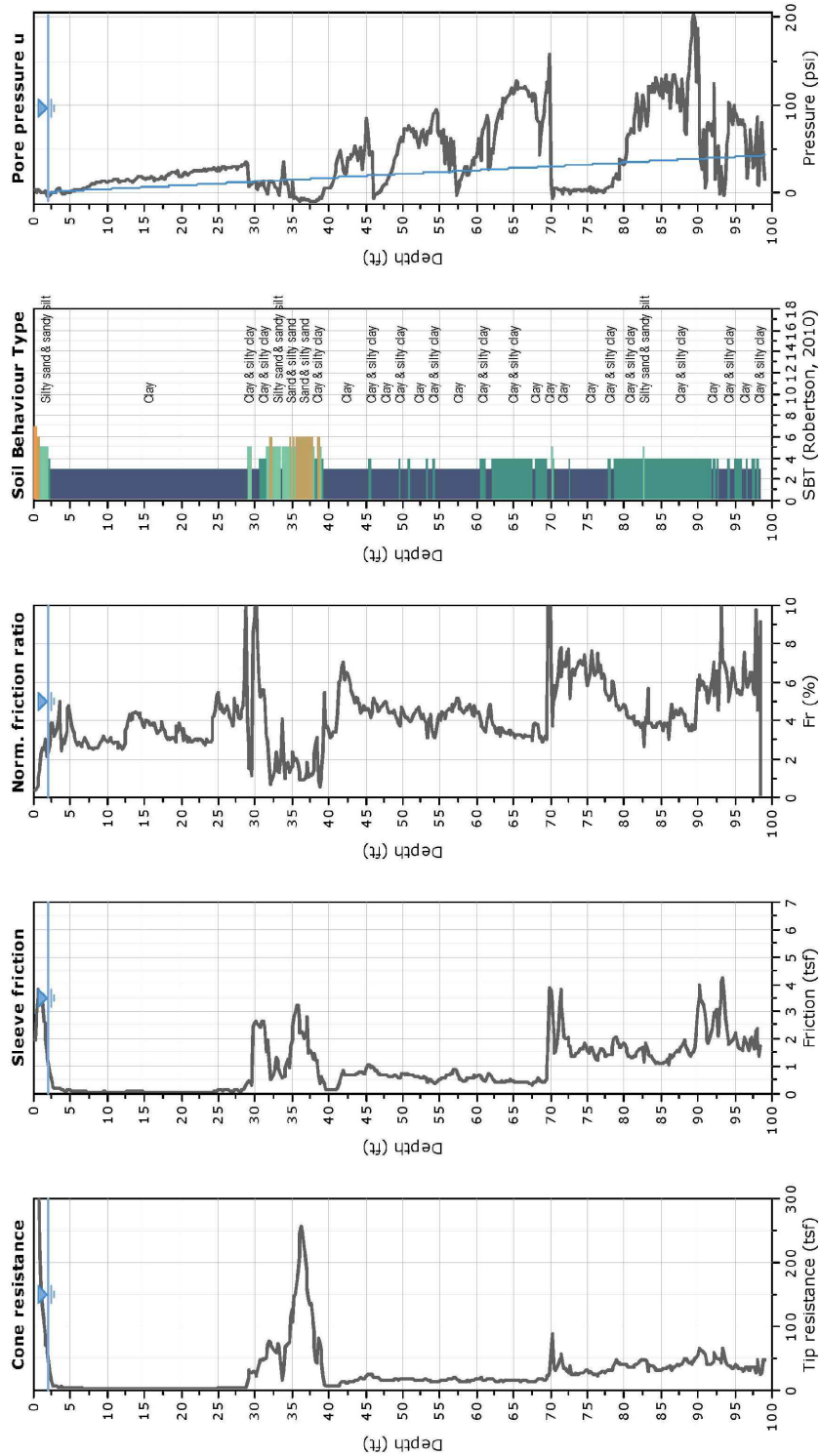
Location: 1 Mallard Road, Belvedere, CA 94920

CPT: CPT-06

Total depth: 98.92 ft, Date: 9/3/2024

Cone Type: 15cm²

Cone Operator: JM-IY



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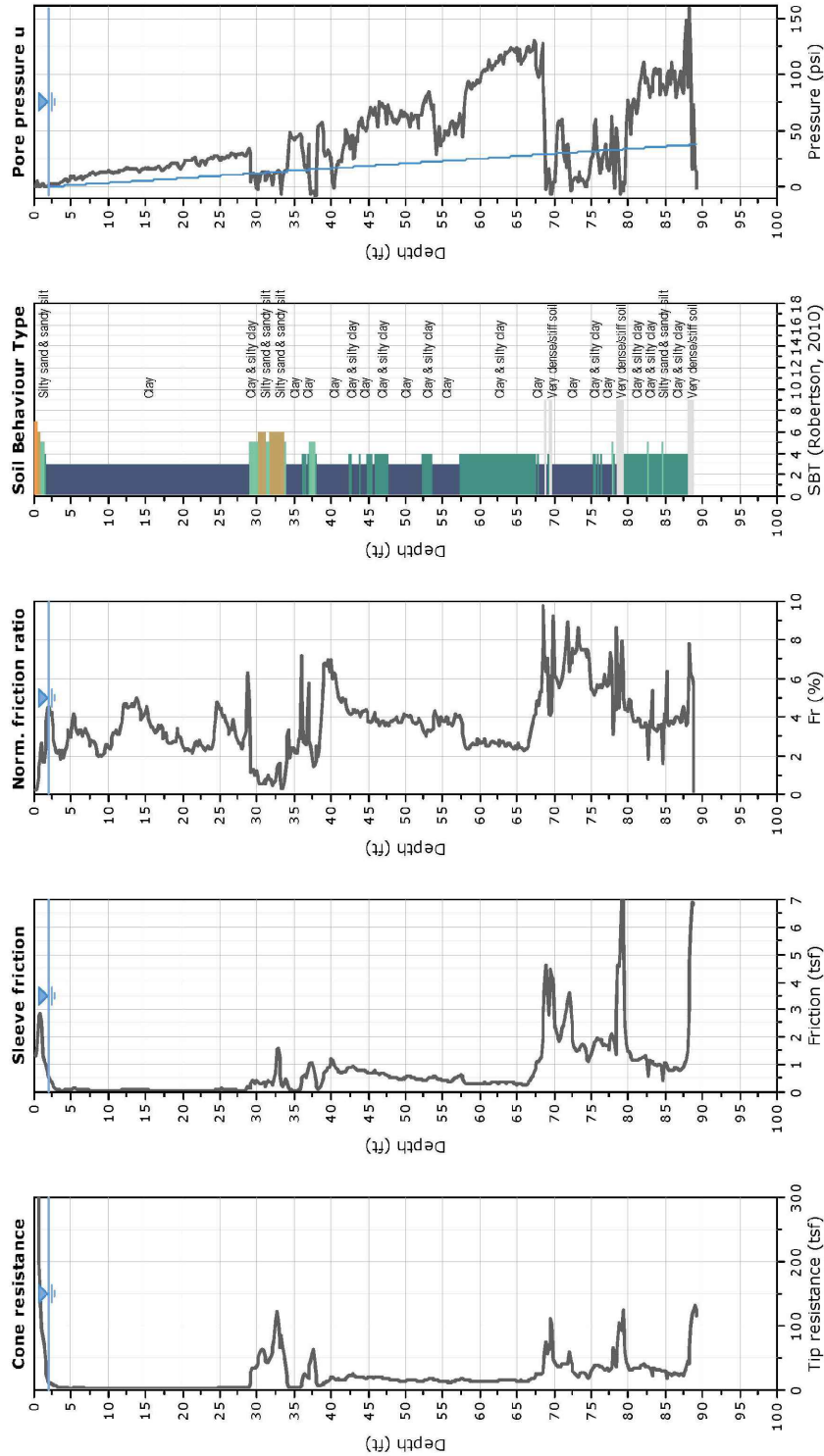


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Project: Mallard Point
Location: 1 Mallard Road, Belvedere, CA 94920

CPT: CPT-07
Total depth: 89.24 ft, Date: 9/3/2024
Cone Type: 15cm²
Cone Operator: JM-IY



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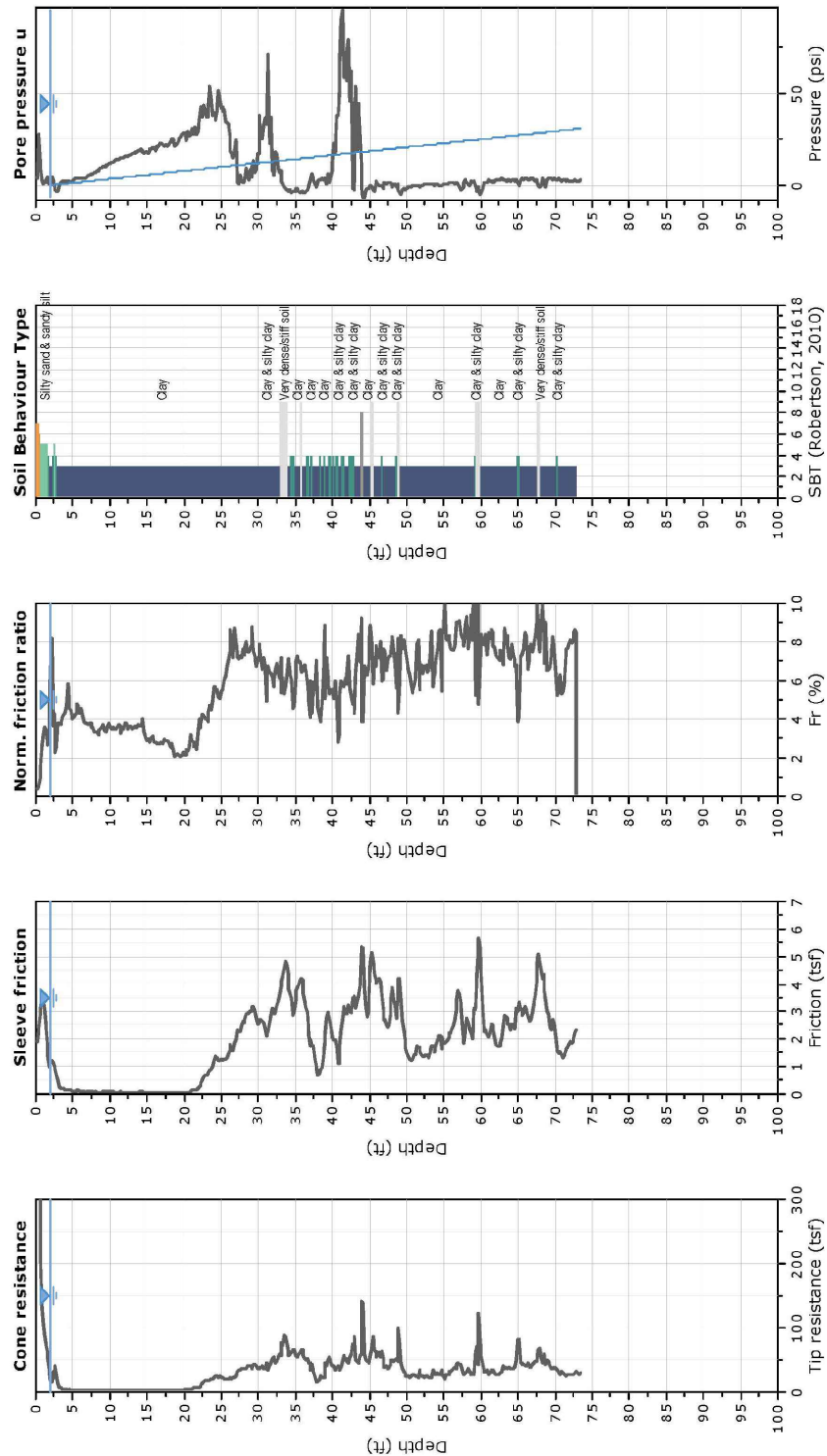
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Project: Mallard Point
Location: 1 Mallard Road, Belvedere, CA 94920

CPT: CPT-08
Total depth: 73.33 ft, Date: 9/3/2024
Cone Type: 15cm²
Cone Operator: JM-IY



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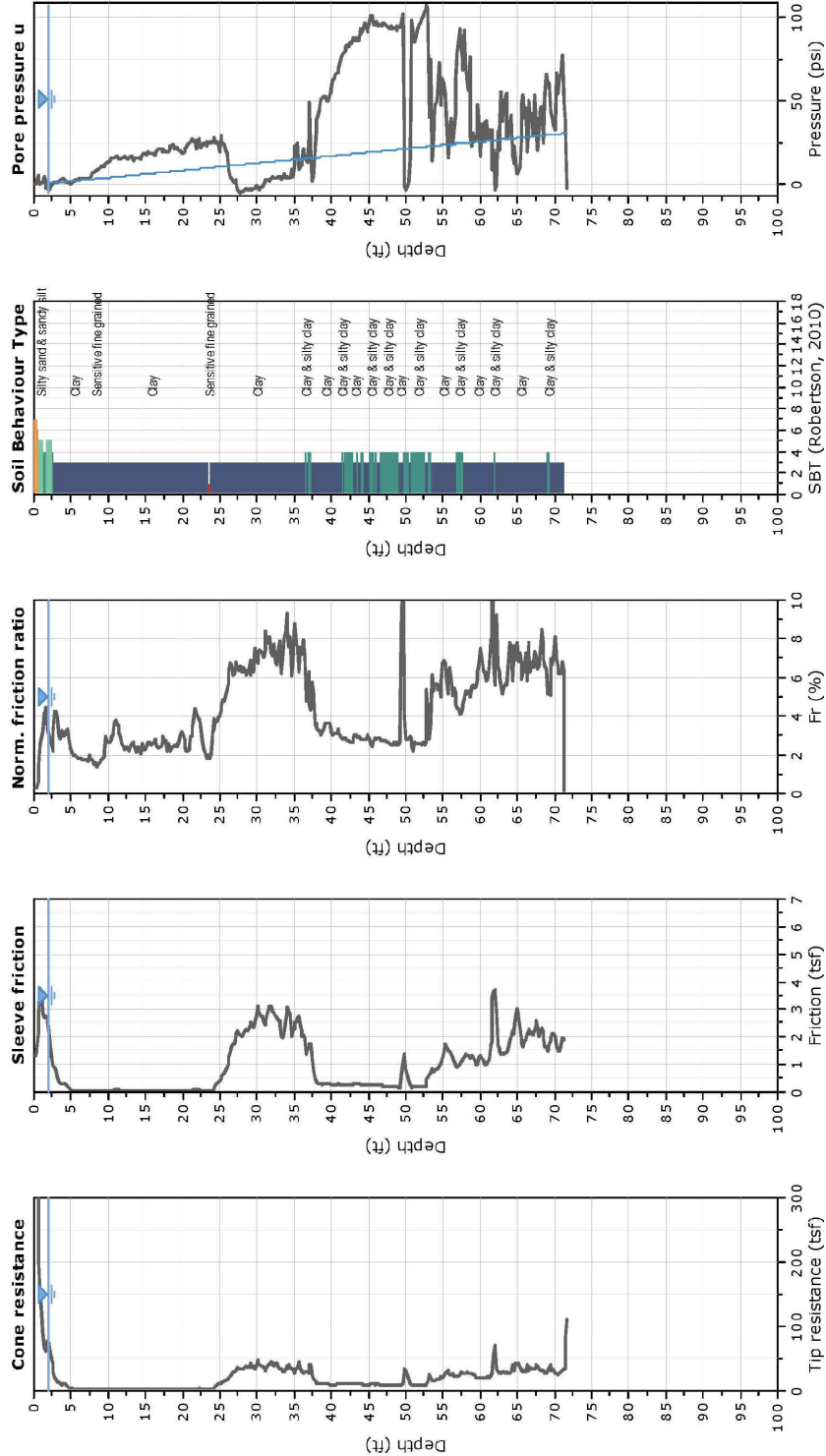
Location: 1 Mallard Road, Belvedere, CA 94920

CPT: CPT-09

Total depth: 71.69 ft, Date: 9/3/2024

Cone Type: 15cm²

Cone Operator: JM-IY



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