Technical Document LA25043

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NRCB USE ONLY	Application number	Legal la	nd description
☐ Approval ☐ Registration ☒ Authorization	LA25043	Sec. 28-	-20-17 W4M
PPLICATION DISCLOSURE			
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the applicant, or applicant's agent, have read and unders ovided in this application is true to the best of my knowle	stand the statements above, addge.	nd I acknowledge	that the information
August 29/25			
ite of signing	Signature		
1717868 Ab Inc. (o/a Anchor J Ra	anches) (Freq	Johnson	7)
rporate name <mark>(if applicable)</mark>	Print name		
ENERAL INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS			
roposed facilities: list all proposed confined feeding op			whether any of the
roposed facilities are additions to existing facilities. (atta	ch additional pages if needed)		mensions (m)
oposed facilities			width, and depth)
enlarge existing catch b	pasin (CB 1)	irregu	lar
		dimer	nsions
		Depth	3m
		See pages	2 and 16
		final volume	e: 37,376 m³
xisting facilities: list ALL existing confined feeding ope	eration facilities and their dime	nsions	
xisting facilities	Dimensio (length, width		NRCB USE ONLY
feed lot pens	212 m x 682 m + 176 m x 329	n + 216 m x 71	m confirmed
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	irregular shap	e	

is used as a runoff control catchment area. The dimensions of the area including depth are irregular.



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f a new facility is replacing an old facility, pleas	e explain what will han	open to the old facility and v	when. MA
	e explain what will hap	pen to the old facility and v	vien. Ly N/A
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ditional information			
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Available in the Schedule 2 of the Part 2 Matters Regulation)	Permitted number	decrease in number (if applicable)	Total
Not determined in conjunction with this permit. Please s	ee Decision Summary LA25	043 for more details	



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DECLARATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF APPLICANT CONCERNING WATER ACT LICENCE

issued by Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (EPA) for a confined feeding operation (CFO)

<u>Date and sign one of the following four options</u>

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<u>OPTION 4: Uncertain if Water Act licence is needed; acknowledgement of risk (for existing CFOs only)</u>

- 1. At this time, I (we) do not know whether a new water licence is needed from EPA under the *Water Act* for the development or activity proposed in this AOPA application.
- 2. If a new *Water Act* licence is needed, I (we) request that the NRCB process the AOPA application **independently of** EPA's processing of the CFO's application for a water licence.
- 3. In making this request, I (we) recognize that, if this AOPA application is granted by the NRCB, the NRCB's decision will not be considered by EPA as improving or enhancing the CFO's eligibility for a water licence under the *Water Act*.
- 4. I (we) acknowledge that any construction or actions to populate the CFO with additional livestock pursuant to an AOPA permit in the absence of a *Water Act* licence will **not** be relevant to EPA's consideration of whether to grant my *Water Act* licence application, if a new water licence is needed.
- 5. I (we) acknowledge that any such construction or livestock increase will be at the CFO's sole risk if the Water Act licence application is denied or if the operation of the CFO is otherwise deemed to be in violation of the Water Act. This risk includes being required to depopulate the CFO and/or to cease further construction, or to remove "works" or "undertakings" (as defined in the Water Act).

		Signature of Applicant or Agent
Signed this day of	, 20	

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GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION



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Facility de	his section for the worst case of the exist scription / name (as indicated on site	plan)								
Existing	cach lasin			Propose	d 1:					
Proposed 2: Proposed 3:										
Facili	ty and environmental risk		Faci	lities			NRCB USE ONLY			
	information	Existing	Proposed 1	Proposed 2	Proposed 3	Meets requirements	Comments			
Flood plain information	What is the elevation of the floor of the lowest manure storage or collection facility above the 1:25 year flood plain or the highest known flood level?	>1 m □ ≤1 m	□ >1 m □ ≤ 1 m	□ >1 m □ ≤1 m	☐ > 1 m ☐ ≤ 1 m	YES NO YES with exemption	not in known floodplain			
r Ler	How many springs are within 100 m of the manure storage facility or manure collection area?	none				YES NO YES with exemption	None observed during site visit			
Surface water information	How many water wells are within 100 m of the manure storage facility or manure collection area?	none				YES NO YES with exemption	None observed during site visit			
Su	What is the shortest distance from the manure collection or storage facility to a surface water body? (e.g., lake, creek, slough, seasonal)					YES NO YES with exemption	18 m from existing pens to Lathom Lake			
Groundwater	What is the depth to the water table?					YES NO YES with exemption	Between 1-2 m in catch basin area (see report)			
Ground	What is the depth to the groundwater resource/aquifer you draw water from?	not identifi				YES NO	No UGR identified in area			

Additional information (attach supporting information, e.g. borehole logs, records, etc. you consider relevant to your application)



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			thom Lake is not a common b	ody of water and entirely surrou	inded by the Anchor J. Ranch	nes land



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NRCB USE ONLY WATER WELL AND SURFACE	WATER INFORMATI	ON No water wells	within a 1 mile radius
Well IDs:			
Surface water related concerns from di	rectly affected parties or refe	erral agencies:	☐ YES ☐ NO
Groundwater related concerns from dir			☐ YES 🔀 NO
Water wells X N/A			
If applicable, exemption for 100 m dist	ance requirements applied:	YES NO Condition	required: YES NO
Surface water X N/A			
If applicable, exemption for 30 m dista	nce requirements applied:	YES NO Condition	required: YES NO
Water Well Exemption Screening To	ool N/A		
Water Well ID	Preliminary Screening	Secondary Screening	Facility
	Score	Score	
Groundwater or surface water rela	ted comments:		
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DISTANCE OF ANY MANURE STORAGE FACILITY (EXISTING OR PROPOSED) TO NEIGHBOURING RESIDENCES

					NRCB USE ON	LY	
Neighbour name(s)	Legal land description	Distance (m)	Zoning (LUB) category	MDS category (1-4)	Distance (m)	Waiver attached (if required)	Meets regulations
			AG	1	2056 m		yes
SW 29-20-17	1 2060 m		AG	1	1100 m		yes
NW 29-20-17	1100m						

AG= Agricuture-General District

LAND BASE FOR MANURE AND COMPOST APPLICATION (complete only if an increase in livestock or manure production will occur)

				NRCB US	EONLY
Name of land owner(s)*	Legal land description	Usable area** (ha)	Soil zone ***	Usable area (ha)	Agreement attached (if required)
×					
			Total		

Total

Not applicable. No increase in manure production

- * If you are **not** the registered landowner, you must attach copies of land use agreements signed by all landowners.
- ** Available manure spreading area (excluding setback areas from residences, common bodies of water, water wells, etc. as identified in Agdex 096-5 Manure Spreading Regulations)
- *** Brown, dark brown, black, grey wooded, or irrigated

Additional information (attach any additional information as required)



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MINIMUM DISTANCE SEPARATIO	NC				
Methods used to determine distance (if applic	cable): go	ogle (earth		
Margin of error (if applicable):+/- 3 m					
Requirements (m): Category 1:	Catego	ry 2:	Cate	egory 3:	Category 4:
Technology factor: see commen	t in Decision	Sum	mary LA25043	☐ YES	□ NO
Expansion factor:				☐ YES	□ NO
MDS related concerns from directly affected p	parties or ref	erral	agencies:	☐ YES	□ NO
The modification of the catch basin do to any of the neighbouring residences		ange	e the overall foo	tprint of the CF	O and does not get closer
LAND BASE FOR MANURE AND CO	OMPOST	APF	PLICATION		
Land base required:		Not a	applicable. No i	ncrease in ann	ual manure production
Land base listed:					
Area not suitable:					
Available area			Requirem	ent met: YES	∐ NO
Land spreading agreements required:	☐ YES ☐	NO			
Manure management plan:	☐ YES ☐	NO	If yes, pl	an is attached:	3
PLANS					
Submitted and attached construction plans:	X	YES	□ NO		
Submitted aerial photos:	X	YES	□ NO		
Submitted photos:		YES	NO NO		
GRANDFATHERING					
Already completed:		YES	□ NO K N/A		
If already completed, see			See De		L AGEO42 for dataile
			See Dec	dision Summary	LA25043 for details



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ALL SIGNATURES I	N FILE	XYES []no		
DATES OF APPROV	AL OFFICER SITE V	ISITS			
August 28, 2025					
CORRESPONDENCE	WITH MUNICIPAL	ITIES AN	ID REFERRAL A	AGENCIES	
Date deeming letters sent	September 12, 2	025		_	
Municipality: County				_	
✓ letter sent	response received	X writter	n/email \Box	verbal	no comments received
Alberta Health Services	:: NA				
☐ letter sent	☐ response received	☐ writter	n/email \Box	verbal \Box	no comments received
Alberta Environment ar	nd Parks: K				
☐ letter sent	response received	☐ writter	n/email \Box	verbal	no comments received
Alberta Transportation:	: □ N/A				
✓ letter sent	response received	☐ writter	n/email \Box	verbal	no comments received
Alberta Regulatory Serv	vices: N/A				
☐ letter sent	response received	☐ writter	n/email	verbal	no comments received
Other: Eastern Irrig	ation District			🗆 N/A	
letter sent	response received	☐ writter	n/email \square	verbal	no comments received
Other:				🗆 N/A	
☐ letter sent	response received	☐ writter	n/email	verbal	no comments received

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RUNOFF CONTROL	CATCH BASIN:	Naturally	occurring p	rotective		clay liner (see next
(complete a copy of this :	section for EACH pro p	oosed runoff o				page)
Facility description / n	ame (as indicated on	site plan)	1. Cata	h basi.	n inci	rase
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			3			
Determination of runo						
Provide a plan and show	v how you calculated t	he area contri	buting to runoff	for each cat	ch basin	
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				And The Alexander		
Catch basin capacity						
	Total depth	Depth below	W	lope run:ris		NRCB USE ONLY
Length (m) Widt	th (m) (m)	ground leve (m)	el Inside end walls	side	Outside walls	Calculated storage capacity (excl. 0.5 m freeboard) (m ³)
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Soil texture		% sand				% clay
	Depth and type of	soil tested	Hydraulic cond	uctivity (cm	/s) D	escribe test standard used
Hydraulic conductivity -						
naturally occurring protective layer						
Catch Basin - Design and ma Technical Guideline Agdex 0		an be found in	NRCB U	SE ONLY		
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If soil info differs per facility	y include additional soils pa	age.			ndition requi	
				Re	port attache	d: YES NO

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3.												
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		. g	-				Requ	irements met:	▼ YES □ NO			
							Cond	ition required:	X YES NO			
							Repo	rt attached:	X YES NO			



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RUNOFF CONTROL CATCH BASIN: Compacted soil liner (cont.)	
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Catch basin calculator (calculation attached). Total volume @ freeboard:	37,376 m ³	
Runoff capacity requirements met: See calculation fo dimensions of	n page 16 below	✓ YES □ NO
Calculation of the volume attached:		YES NO
Depth to water table: see comment below	Requirements met:	☐ YES X NO
Depth to Uppermost Groundwater Resource:	Requirements met:	X YES NO
No UGR identified in this are	a	
ERST completed: X see ERST page for details		
Liner specification comments (e.g. compaction required, moisture content, the	nickness):	
The watertable was recorded to be at 0.5 m in the area of the below 6 m (borehole 2) or below drilling depth everywhere ethat the shallow water table in this area is caused by recent pens. Generally, the area has very shallow bedrock (between 3-6 various depths. The signing engineer proposed a thickness of 1.2 m for the based on an equivalency calculation comparing the compact conductivity of a natural occurring protective layer. This calculation compacted clay liner for catch basins are 1 m of compacted sec. Therefore, a thickness of 1 m for the liner is sufficient. Leakage detection system required:	Ise in CB area (borehole runoff from the runoff combig) with a silty-sand compacted clay liner. The ted clay liner with the resulation is not required. To clay with a hydraulic combig.	es 3-6). It is likely intributing feedlot clay till overlay in the recommendation is quired hydraulic the requirement for a



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RUNOFF CONTROL CATCH BASIN CAPACITY SUM	MMARY (if applicable)
Facility 1	
Name / description catch basin (modified dimensions)	Capacity 37,376 m ³
Facility 2	
Name / description catch basin 2 and 3	Capacity 455 m ³
Facility 3	
Name / description catchment area	Capacity approximately 10,000 m ³
Facility 4	
Name / description	Capacity
TOTAL CAPACITY	47,831 m ³
RUNOFF VOLUME FROM CONTRIBUTING AREAS	approximately 14,000m ³
MEETS AOPA RUNOFF CONTROL VOLUME REQUIREMENTS	ĭ∆YES □ NO

 Borrow Pond
 Irregular shape to facilitate connection to new design, power pole clearance and existing site.
 Estimated unsuitable of 1.0m from existing containment removed for earthwork -Highwater elevation is calculated at lowest invert of entry ditchs.
-Elevation 772.70 to design.
-All dimensions Metric Meters
-Survey in Nad83 No Trans, UTM Zone 12
North, Geoid HT2_0 -Volumes calculated using Civil 3d flat plane at elevation specified and compared Moise Deig Dennis Dirtworx LTD **Borrow Pond** -Shown For Clarity calculations. Scale Sep 2025 Scale NTS 2. Fencelines Notes: Power Pole 3.0m Clearance LA25043 TD Page 16 of 59

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GEOTECHNICAL EVALUATION



Sundial Feedlot Expansion Lathom, AB

Prepared For: Sundial Livestock Feeders 173049 Highway 1 Lathom, AB TOJ 0B0

Prepared By: Roseke Engineering Ltd. 3614 – 18 Avenue N. Lethbridge, AB T1H 5S7

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1 Introduction

This project consists of the expansion of the existing catch basin and construction of new Roller Compacted Concrete (RCC) livestock pens at the Sundial Livestock Feeders (SLF) feedlot at 28-20-17-W4 near Lathom, AB. At the time of drilling, the site was vacant with some vegetation and was generally sloping north / northeast.

The intent of this geotechnical investigation was to confirm the subsurface conditions at the site in order to provide recommendations for the construction of the RCC livestock pens as well as recommendations for a compacted soil liner for the catch basin expansion, and new livestock pens in the vicinity of BH008 and BH009, in order to satisfy the Natural Resources Conservation Board (NRCB)'s groundwater protection requirements. In discussion with SLF personnel, it was understood that the proposed RCC livestock pens are covered under an existing NRCB permit and, as such, recommendations pertaining to NRCB groundwater protection requirements are limited only to the catch basin expansion and new livestock pens in the vicinity of BH008 and BH009. A site plan, including borehole locations, is included as Appendix B of this report.

2 Scope of Work

The scope of work for this geotechnical evaluation consisted of the drilling of thirteen (13) boreholes, a laboratory testing program to assist in soil classification and determination of engineering properties, hydraulic conductivity testing, and this report which summarizes the recommendations for the proposed expansion.

3 Geotechnical Work

The fieldwork for the geotechnical investigation was performed on July 2nd, 2025, to assess subsurface conditions at the site. A drill rig utilizing a 150 mm solid stem continuous flight auger from Chilako Drilling Services Ltd. of Coaldale, AB was used for drilling operations. Roseke (REL)'s field representative was Mr. Christopher Allard, C.E.T. Boreholes were advanced at select locations within the proposed expansion footprint to depths ranging from 3.1 m to 9.1 m below existing ground surface.

Field operations and sampling were completed under the supervision of REL's field representative. Soil samples were collected at intervals of 0.75 m maximum. The encountered subsurface soils were logged in the field using visual and tactile methods, and samples were placed in labelled plastic bags for transport, laboratory testing, and future reference. Open boreholes were checked for groundwater and general stability prior to backfilling.

BH001, BH006 to BH010, and BH013 were outfitted with a 25 mm diameter polyvinyl chloride (PVC) standpipe in order to determine the static groundwater elevation at the site. BH004 was outfitted with a machine slotted 51 mm PVC monitoring well to conduct field conductivity testing, if required. Monitoring wells were installed with screened sections of 1.5 m for catch basin with the screened sections beginning at the anticipated maximum depth of storage. Laboratory hydraulic conductivity testing was conducted on two (2) remoulded samples taken from cohesive layers in BH002 and BH006 in order to determine the minimum required thickness of a compacted clay liner in order to meet NRCB requirements for catch basin facilities.

Borehole logs summarizing soil and groundwater stratigraphy, conditions, and test information are located in Appendix A.



Physical laboratory testing was performed on the collected soil samples to determine engineering properties of the site's soils. Laboratory testing included moisture content analysis, particle size distribution analysis, standard Proctor testing, and hydraulic conductivity testing (conducted at Solum Consultants Ltd.'s Calgary laboratory). Results are presented on the attached borehole logs in Appendix B.

4 Soil Stratigraphy

It should be noted that geological conditions are innately variable. At the time of preparation of this report, information on subsurface stratigraphy was available only at discrete borehole locations. In order to develop recommendations from this information, it is necessary to make some assumptions concerning conditions other than at the borehole locations. Adequate field reviews should be provided during construction to check that these assumptions are reasonable.

The general subsurface conditions at the site consisted predominantly of an upper layer of sand & silt, underlain by clay till and bedrock in descending order. The following sections provide a summary of the soils encountered in the borehole logs. The subsurface conditions encountered are summarized in the attached borehole logs in Appendix A.

4.1 Topsoil

A layer of topsoil was encountered at the surface in BH007 and BH011 and was approximately 100 mm in thickness.

4.2 Sand & Silt

An upper layer of sand & silt was encountered in all boreholes and ranged to depths of approximately 1.5 m to 4.6 m below existing ground surface. The sand & silt was described as clayey to containing some clay and was loose, moist to saturated, fine to medium grained, and ranged in colour from light brown to grey. The moisture content of the sand & silt layer ranged from 6.1% to 26.2%.

4.3 Clay Till

Clay till was encountered beneath the sand & silt layer in all boreholes, except for BH012, and was present to depths of approximately 3.3 m to 6.7 m below existing ground surface. The clay till was described as silty with some sand, and a trace of gravel and was firm to hard, very moist, low to medium plastic, and ranged in colour from olive, olive brown, to grey. White precipitates, oxide staining, and coal specks were noted throughout the clay till. The moisture content of the clay layer ranged from 11.1% to 27.4%.

4.4 Bedrock

Bedrock was encountered below the clay till in BH001 through BH006 and was present to the maximum depth drilled. The bedrock was described as mudstone and was weak, friable, damp, and grey. The moisture content of the bedrock layer ranged from 7.8% to 20.3%.

5 **Groundwater Conditions**

At the time of drilling, some sloughing and/or seepage was encountered in each borehole. The depth to groundwater was measured by REL personnel on August 7th, 2025. The following table summarizes the groundwater monitoring data.



Borehole ID	Depth of Standpipe Below Ground Surface (m)	Depth to Groundwater from Ground Surface (m)
BH001	9.15	0.50
BH006	7.93	Destroyed
BH007	3.05	0.52
BH008	3.05	0.72
BH009	3.05	1.60
BH010	3.05	Inaccessible
BH013	3.51	Destroyed

It appears that shallow groundwater is likely to impact the expansion of the catch basin and that dewatering during construction will be required. It should be noted that soil moisture and groundwater levels at the site may fluctuate in response to climatic events. Given the unseasonably heavy and frequent rain events encountered during the months both prior to and after field drilling activities, temporarily elevated groundwater levels may also be a contributor to the shallow groundwater levels encountered. Groundwater levels should be monitored prior to development. The intent is to confirm the presence of shallow groundwater and provide an early indication of dewatering requirements.

6 Recommendations

The following recommendations are based on borehole information and are intended to assist designers. Recommendations should not be construed as providing instructions to contractors, who should form their own opinions about site conditions. It is possible that subsurface conditions beyond the borehole locations may vary from those observed. If significant variations are found before or during construction, REL should be contacted so that we can reassess our findings, if necessary.

During the course of groundwater monitoring, shallow groundwater was encountered throughout the site that may impact the construction of the catch basin expansion. Per NRCB's requirements, a 1 m vertical separation must be maintained from groundwater during construction. Therefore, it is recommended to monitor the depths to ground water in the remaining standpipes in order to ensure this separation is maintained. If this required groundwater separation cannot be maintained, alternatives may need to be considered for construction and additional advice should be sought. Some potential alternatives are as follows; 1) raising the maximum depth of storage of the catch basin, 2) carrying out construction activities during seasons of low groundwater elevation, 3) obtaining a variance from NRCB permitting construction activities within 1 m of groundwater, though it should be noted these variances are not commonly granted.

All recommendations presented in this report are based on the assumption that an adequate level of monitoring will be provided during construction and that all construction will be carried out by suitably qualified contractors, experienced in earthworks construction. An adequate level of monitoring is considered to be:

For earthworks, full-time monitoring and compaction testing.



All such monitoring should be carried out by suitably qualified persons, independent of the contractor. One of the purposes of providing an adequate level of monitoring is to check those recommendations, based on information collected at discrete borehole locations, are applicable to other areas of the site.

6.1 Trench Excavations

Excavations should be carried out in accordance with the Alberta Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) Regulations. For this project, the depth for the majority of the excavations is assumed to be less than 3.0 m below existing ground surface. Excavations to deeper depths may require special considerations. The following recommendations notwithstanding, the responsibility of trench and all excavation cutslopes resides with the Contractor and should take into consideration site-specific conditions concerning soil stratigraphy and groundwater. All excavations should be reviewed by a geotechnical engineer prior to personnel working within the base of the excavation.

Temporary excavations within the loose sand & silt soils which are to be deeper than 1.5 m should have the sides shored and braced or the slopes should be cut back no steeper than 1.0 horizontal to 1.0 vertical (1H:1V) from the bottom of the excavation.

Flatter sideslopes may be required in some areas if groundwater is encountered. In these instances, the excavation configuration design should be reviewed by experienced personnel, prior to allowing personnel to enter the base of the excavation.

Any encountered groundwater seepage should be directed towards sumps for removal. Conventional construction sump pumps should be capable of groundwater control.

Temporary surcharge loads, such as spill piles, should not be allowed within a distance equal to the depth of the excavation from an unsupported excavation face or 3.0 m, whichever is greater, while mobile equipment should be kept back at least 3.0 m. All excavation sideslopes should be checked regularly for signs of sloughing, especially after rainfall periods. Small earth falls from the sideslopes are a potential source of danger to workmen and must be guarded against.

6.2 RCC Livestock Pens

6.2.1 Frost Susceptible Soil

The near-surface sand & silt soils noted throughout the site are considered to be highly frost susceptible. These soils are location within the frost zone and as such may be subject to frost heave. Therefore, uniformity of moisture conditioning and compaction as well as material depths will be crucial to minimize damaging frost heave that may affect the RCC livestock pen floor.

6.2.2 Subgrade Preparation and RCC Pen Construction

For RCC construction the upper 300 mm of the sand & silt soils should be scarified and uniformly moisture conditioned to 0% to +2% of Optimum Moisture Content (OMC). The subgrade should then be uniformly compacted to a minimum of 98% Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (SPMDD). Efforts should be made to achieve compaction by way of static rolling. Due to the sandy and silty nature of the subgrade soils, vibratory compaction equipment is likely to have a "pumping" effect on the shallow groundwater, potentially resulting in excessive wetting of subgrade soils and overall difficulty achieving the required moisture condition and compaction standards.

Considering the presence of sandy & silty near-surface soils and shallow groundwater throughout the area, a granular base course (GBC) of well-graded, clean crushed gravel at least 300 mm in thickness is recommended in order to



provide a competent base for the placement and compaction of RCC surfacing. The GBC should be placed in uniform lifts not exceeding 150 mm in compacted thickness and compacted to a minimum of 98% SPMDD. Where possible, compaction should be achieved by static rolling so as not to undermine the subgrade soils, as discussed previously.

Proof rolling should also be conducted on subgrade and granular base to identify soft spots along the alignment prior to the placement of RCC. If problematic soft spots are encountered, additional geotechnical advice may be necessary and should be sought. Based on the high moisture content results of the in-situ subgrade soils, apparent shallow groundwater table, and based REL's experience with local soils, a provision for a non-woven geotextile should be included.

6.3 Groundwater Protection Recommendations

6.3.1 Hydraulic Conductivity Testing

Composite samples from clay till layer in both BH002 and BH006 were tested for particle size analysis and hydraulic conductivity (ASTM D5084) as per section 4 of the NRCB's *Technical Guidelines Agdex 096-64* (Agdex 096-64). Particle size analyses were conducted at Down To Earth Labs Inc.'s Lethbridge laboratory and indicated a soil texture of loam to silty clay. Hydraulic conductivity testing was conducted by Solum Consultants Ltd.'s Calgary laboratory and indicated a hydraulic conductivity of 2.1×10^{-8} cm/s and 2.4×10^{-8} cm/s at 95% SPMDD for the samples from BH002 and BH006, respectively. As per Agdex 096-64, the most conservative (highest) of the hydraulic conductivity results is to be compared to regulations and, additionally, the design hydraulic conductivity (K_L) to be used in the calculation of the equivalent liner thickness is to be increased one order of magnitude in order to account for innate soil variability and what is achievable in-field. Therefore, a K_L value of 2.4×10^{-7} cm/s was determined for the clay till (loam to silty clay) borrow material.

6.3.2 Groundwater Protection Recommendations

The NRCB's *Technical Guideline Agdex 096-61* (Agdex 096-61)'s methodology was used to determine the required minimum thickness of the compacted soil layer in order to meet the minimum thickness and hydraulic conductivity requirements specified in the regulation of 5 m of material @ 1.0×10^{-6} cm/s for catch basins and 2 m of material @ 1.0×10^{-6} cm/s for solid manure storage facilities. The formula used to determine the minimum thickness of the compacted clay liner is as follows:

$$\frac{b_{req.}}{K_{req.}} = \frac{b_L}{K_L}$$

Where: b_{req.} = required equivalent thickness (5 m for catch basins and 2 m for solid manure storage facilities)

 $K_{req.}$ = required minimum hydraulic conductivity (1×10-6 cm/s)

b_L = required minimum thickness of compacted clay liner (m)

 K_L = design hydraulic conductivity of compacted clay liner (2.4×10⁻⁷ cm/s)

Based on the in-situ hydraulic conductivity test results, laboratory test results, and the formula described in Agdex 096-61, it is determined that the minimum required thickness of a compacted clay liner is 1.2 m in thickness for the catch basin expansion in order to meet AOPA protective layer requirements. For the new livestock pens in the vicinity of BH008 and BH009, the minimum required compact clay liner of 0.5 m, per NRCB guidelines, will provide sufficient protection.



If alternate borrow sources are desired, REL should be contacted in order to determine if the above recommendations are applicable and to conduct additional testing, if required.

6.3.3 Catch Basin Design & Construction

General recommendations are provided for the construction of the proposed ponds.

The low to medium clay till is considered suitable to use as a borrow material for a compacted clay liner and meets AOPA requirements. It is considered acceptable to reuse other materials, if encountered, for berm construction provided that the minimum thickness of compacted clay liner is maintained on the inside face of the ponds.

At all times, clay liner material should be visually inspected during placement to isolate any inclusions of silt or sand material which should be separated and removed from the compacted clay liner area.

The compacted clay liner should extend across the catch basin bases, as well as up the sideslopes for this development maintaining the minimum required thickness on the catch basin bottom and a thickness of 1.4 m on the sideslopes to allow for weathering, variations in actual thickness, and pockets of poor-quality material. The interior slopes should be no steeper than 3 horizontal to 1 vertical (3:1). The exterior slopes of the berms may range from 2.5:1 to 4:1.

Further recommendations regarding shallow foundations are presented in Appendix D.

All surficial vegetation, topsoil, and any organic material within the proposed catch basin areas should be stripped and removed. Following this removal, the area may be graded for catch basin construction.

Final design of this project should consider, in detail, the subgrade preparation of the proposed catch basins so that the base of the catch basin liner is founded on competent materials. A minimum 300 mm subgrade preparation should be conducted prior to installation of compacted clay liner, including scarifying the subgrade soil, moisture conditioning, and recompacting to a minimum of 95% of SPMDD with moisture content within 0% to +2% of OMC. Approved liner material should be used for the compacted clay liner, placed in lifts of no greater than 150 mm compacted thickness, uniformly mixed, and compacted to the above-noted compaction standards. The subgrade surface below the compacted clay liner should be relatively level to control liner thickness, and proof-rolled to provide a proper base for compacting the first liner lift to the specified density. General recommendations for compaction can be found in Appendix D. Proof-rolling should be supervised by experienced geotechnical personnel, specific requirements and methods for proof-rolling should be prepared during construction in consultation with REL.

As discussed above, any excavated silty / sandy material not suitable as a liner may be used for the core and outer shell of the berms.

A remoulded clay liner should be constructed by placing controlled local clay soils up to the design elevation or thickness on the bottom of the catch basins and interior slopes of the berms. The clay liner soils should be uniformly moisture conditioned to the compaction standards noted above. At the completion of compaction, at final design grade, the base should be proof-rolled using a relatively large smooth-drum roller. This smooth rolled surface provides a much smoother base, which greatly reduces the surface area for water absorption and swelling.

In areas where an interior clay liner is being placed on an existing slope, it is important to specify that a system of 'notching' the existing subgrade be implemented. This notching technique ensures a good bond between the clay liner and adjacent material to minimize the risk of developing a failure plane parallel to the interior slope face.



It is recommended to fill the catch basins as soon as possible following completion of construction to prevent excessive drying and cracking of the clay liner. It is recommended to develop a construction Quality Assurance Control Plan (QACP) before construction, such that construction quality is monitored and maintained throughout the construction process and to demonstrate that the compacted clay liner met the minimum moisture condition / compaction requirements.

6.3.4 New Livestock Pen Construction

For the construction of the new livestock pens in the vicinity of BH008 and BH009, all surficial vegetation, topsoil, and any organic material should be stripped and removed. Following the stripping and removal, a proof-roll should be conducted on undisturbed native soil to ensure a competent base for the compacted clay liner. The approved liner material should be used for the compacted clay liner, placed in lifts of no greater than 150 mm compacted thickness, uniformly mixed, and compacted to at least 95% SPMDD at 0% to +2% OMC. The subgrade surface below the compacted clay liner should be relatively level to control liner thickness, and proof-rolled to provide a proper base for compacting the first liner lift to the specified density.

6.3.5 Liner Materials and Compaction

Impervious liner material should consist of low to medium plastic clay soils not containing organics or deleterious materials and should be compacted to the compaction standards noted in Section 6.3.3. Further requirements for select engineered fill can be found in Appendix D.

The low to medium plastic clay till encountered in the proposed catch basin expansion area is generally considered suitable for use as general engineered fill. It should be free of organic and deleterious material. As noted above, if alternate borrow sources are desired, REL should be contacted in order to confirm material suitability for use as a compacted soil liner.

Backfill density testing should be utilized to ensure the backfill compaction and moisture is sufficient wherever backfill is placed.

6.4 Estimated Shrinkage Factors

Based on the results of standard Proctor testing and in-situ density test results, the estimated shrinkage of the site soils ranged from 6.0% to 10.2% and averaged 7.2%. However, at the time of the field density testing, a lack of mechanical excavation equipment presented difficulties in advancing test pits deep enough for ideal density testing conditions. The site's subsoils are anticipated to increase in density somewhat as depth increases. Therefore, a shrinkage factor in the range of 7% to 8% is recommended. This shrinkage factor is considered appropriate for design purposes but should be confirmed during construction with field density testing.



7 Closure

We trust that this report meets your current requirements, and we are pleased to provide assistance in the completion of this project. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any comments, questions, or concerns.

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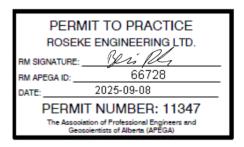
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TERMS USED ON BOREHOLE LOGS

TERMS DESCRIBING CONSISTENCY OR CONDITION

COARSE GRAINED SOILS (major portion retained on 0.075mm sieve): Includes (1) clean gravels and sands, and (2) silty or clayey gravels and sands. Condition is rated according to relative density, as inferred from laboratory or in situ tests.

DESCRIPTIVE TERM	RELATIVE DENSITY	N (blows per 0.3m)
Very Loose	0 TO 20%	0 to 4
Loose	20 TO 40%	4 to 10
Compact	40 TO 75%	10 to 30
Dense	75 TO 90%	30 to 50
Very Dense	90 TO 100%	greater than 50

The number of blows, N, on a 51mm 0.D. split spoon sampler of a 63.5kg weight falling 0.76m, required to drive the sampler a distance of 0.3m from 0.15m to 0.45m.

FINE GRAINED SOILS (major portion passing 0.075mm sieve): Includes (1) inorganic and organic silts and clays, (2) gravelly, sandy, or silty clays, and (3) clayey silts. Consistency is rated according to shearing strength, as estimated from laboratory or in situ tests.

DESCRIPTIVE TERM	UNCONFINED COMPRESSIVE
	STRENGTH (KPA)
Very Soft	Less than 25
Soft	25 to 50
Firm	50 to 100
Stiff	100 to 200
Very Stiff	200 to 400
Hard	Greater than 400

NOTE: Slickensided and fissured clays may have lower unconfined compressive strengths than shown above, because of planes of weakness or cracks in the soil.

GENERAL DESCRIPTIVE TERMS

Slickensided - having inclined planes of weakness that are slick and glossy in appearance.

Fissured - containing shrinkage cracks, frequently filled with fine sand or silt; usually more or less vertical.

Laminated - composed of thin layers of varying colour and texture.

Interbedded - composed of alternate layers of different soil types.

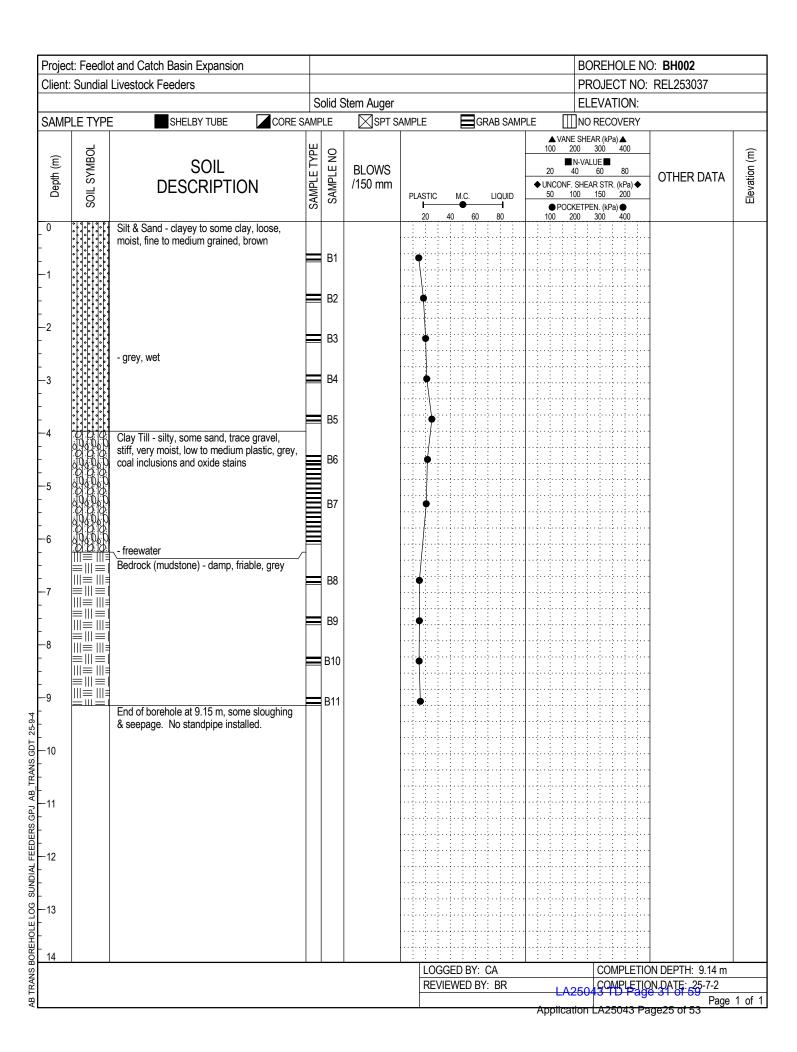
Calcareous - containing appreciable quantities of calcium carbonate.;

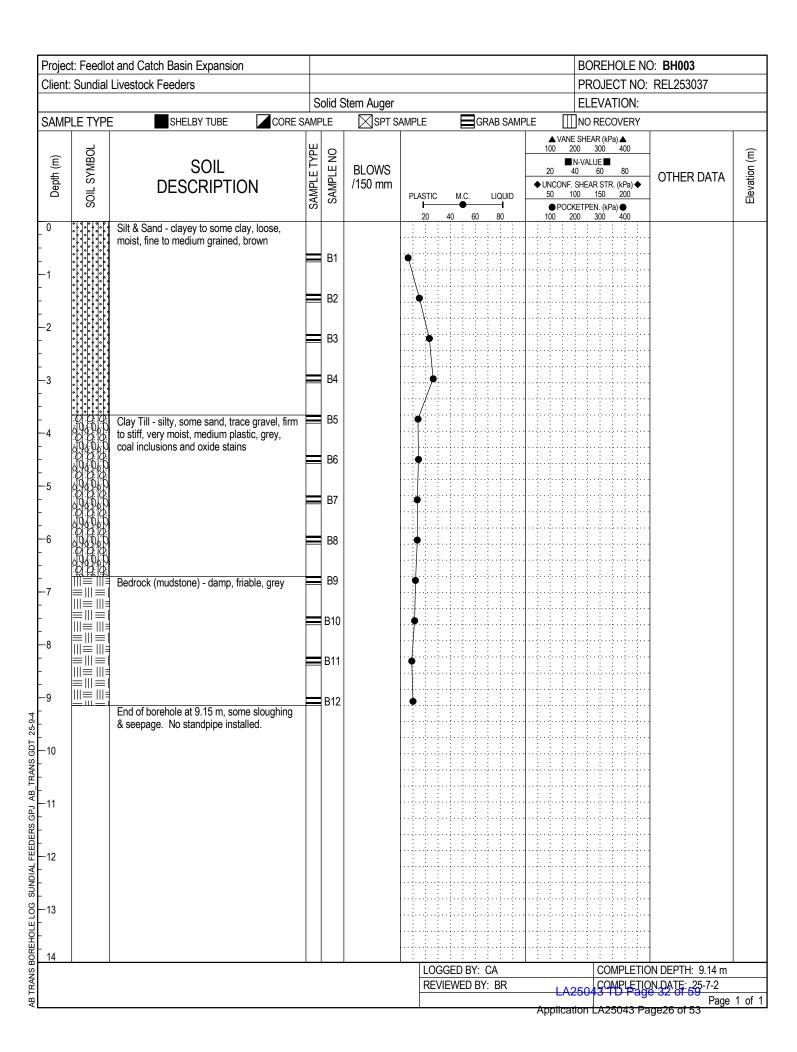
Well graded - having wide range in grain sizes and substantial amounts of intermediate particle sizes.

Poorly graded - predominantly of one grain size, or having a range of sizes with some intermediate size missing.

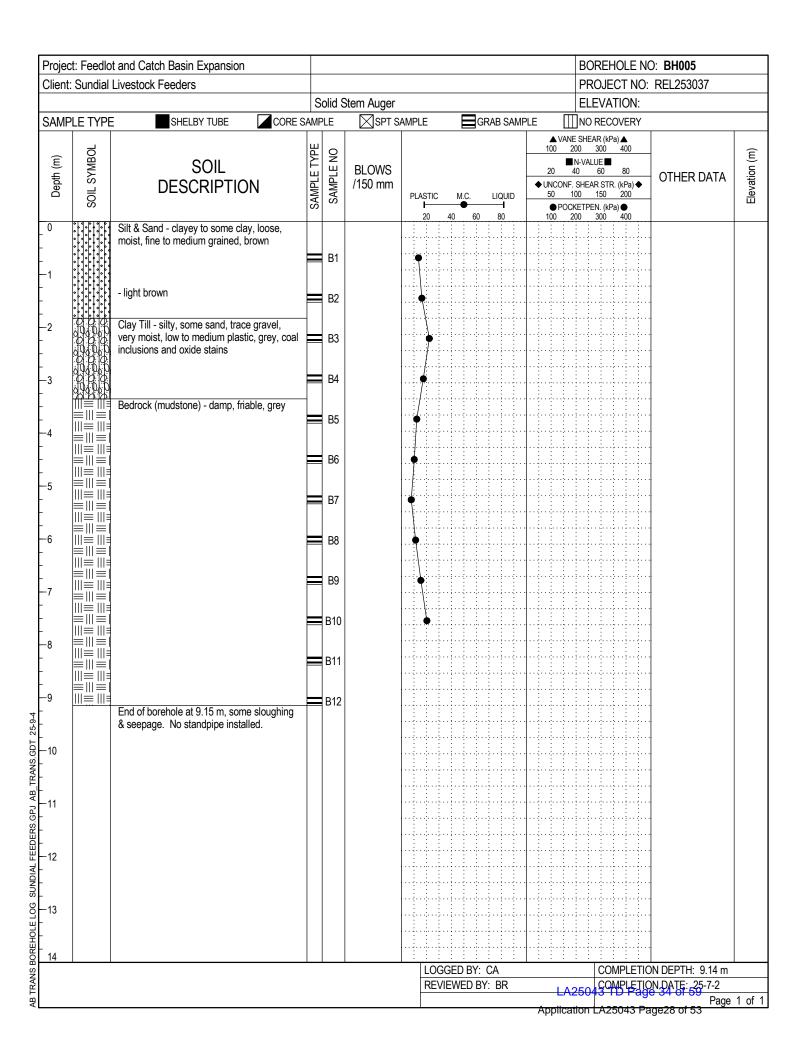
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Client:	Sundial I	Livestock Feeders								PROJEC	T NO: REL2530	37	
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Appendix B - BOREHOLE LOCATION PLA	N 3 =

Figure 1 – Site Plan Borehole Locations





Figure 1 – Site Plan Borehole Locations





Appendix C - LABORATOR	RY TEST RESULT	rs	⋜≣

MOISTURE CONTENT

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JOB #	JOB DESCRIPTION		PROJECT Evaluation		
REL253037	Sundial Feeders	Expansion	Evaluation		
Borehole ID	Sample ID	Tare Mass (g)	Wet + Tare (g)	Dry + Tare (g)	Moisture %
	1B1	8.3	263.6	241.0	9.7
	1B2	6.4	280.3	251.1	11.9
	1B3	6.5	316.5	254.6	24.9
	1B4	6.5	240.3	199.0	21.5
	1B5	8.3	228.2	198.1	15.9
DU001	1B6	6.5	206.0	178.9	15.7
BH001	1B7	6.5	261.9	231.4	13.6
	1B8	8.3	280.3	246.6	14.1
	1B9	6.4	237.8	211.1	13.0
	1B10	6.4	263.3	231.7	14.0
	1B11	8.3	284.4	245.5	16.4
	1B12	8.3	230.4	195.3	18.8
	2B1	8.3	253.8	222.5	14.6
	2B2	6.5	270.8	229.8	18.4
	2B3	6.5	332.4	277.8	20.1
	2B4	6.5	282.9	235.0	21.0
	2B5	6.5	244.3	196.6	25.1
BH002	2B6	6.5	277.2	229.1	21.6
	2B7	6.5	251.0	209.3	20.6
	2B8	8.3	243.6	212.7	15.1
	2B9	6.5	238.6	208.2	15.1
	2B10	6.4	244.9	213.9	14.9
	2B11	6.4	271.9	235.5	15.9
	3B1	8.3	287.7	271.6	6.1
	3B2	8.3	276.7	241.4	15.1
	3B3	6.5	240.9	196.9	23.1
	3B4	6.5	253.4	202.1	26.2
BH003	3B5	6.4	254.3	223.8	14.0
	3B6	8.3	288.2	253.0	14.4
	3B7	6.4	255.3	225.9	13.4
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BH003	3B12	6.4	272.7	246.5	10.9
	4B1	6.4	241.6	219.7	10.3
	4B2	6.4	294.0	247.9	19.1
	4B3	8.3	243.9	204.3	20.2
	4B4	8.3	232.9	184.6	27.4
BH004	4B5	8.3	288.0	241.1	20.1
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	4B7	8.3	270.5	241.2	12.6
	4B8	8.3	250.6	224.2	12.2
	4B9	6.4	211.4	185.1	14.7
	4B10	6.4	304.2	275.0	10.9
	5B1	6.4	248.2	219.2	13.6
	5B2	6.4	270.6	233.5	16.3
	5B3	6.4	213.4	175.7	22.3
	5B4	8.3	290.7	248.7	17.5
BH005	5B5	6.4	199.8	178.7	12.2
DI 1003	5B6	6.4	214.2	194.9	10.2
	5B7	6.4	296.5	275.5	7.8
	5B8	6.4	219.6	197.9	11.3
	5B9	6.4	239.9	208.5	15.5
	5B10	6.4	249.6	208.6	20.3
	6B1	6.4	293.0	252.6	16.4
	6B2	6.4	338.3	309.7	9.4
	6B3	6.5	268.9	215.6	25.5
	6B4	6.4	199.0	179.7	11.1
BH006	6B5	8.3	246.9	220.1	12.7
	6B6	6.4	240.4	216.3	11.5
	6B7	6.4	267.6	241.3	11.2
	6B8	6.4	222.3	201.5	10.7
	6B9	6.4	213.3	185.2	15.7
	7B1	6.5	305.7	257.3	19.3
BH007	7B2	6.5	259.6	216.3	20.6
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BH007	7B4	6.5	239.1	203.5	18.1
	8B1	6.5	276.0	229.9	20.6
BH008	8B2	6.5	282.7	232.7	22.1
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	8B4	6.5	263.4	218.4	21.2
	9B1	6.5	248.3	214.8	16.1
BH009	9B2	6.5	284.2	243.8	17.0
DI 1009	9B3	6.5	266.7	219.7	22.0
	9B4	6.5	258.7	212.8	22.2
	10B1	6.5	185.6	175.1	6.2
BH010	10B2	6.5	228.2	210.3	8.8
BHOTO	10B3	8.3	263.0	210.7	25.8
	10B4	6.4	281.8	231.3	22.5
	11B1	6.5	259.7	225.6	15.6
BH011	11B2	6.5	275.7	234.0	18.3
BHOTT	11B3	6.5	259.2	220.8	17.9
	11B4	6.5	251.2	203.3	24.3
	12B1	6.5	251.0	215.3	17.1
BH012	12B2	6.5	270.2	229.5	18.3
DITOTE	12B3	6.5	254.7	204.5	25.4
	12B4	6.5	271.7	218.2	25.3
BH013	13B1	6.4	250.6	218.9	14.9
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Report Date: August 7, 2025

Client: Roseke Engineering Ltd.

Address: 3614 18 Ave. N, Lethbridge, AB T1H 5S7

Attn: Chris Allard
Project No: REL253037

Project Name: Sundial Feeders Expansion

Solum Job No.: 18402250717(272)

Sample Received Date: July 17, 2025

Sample Quantity: 2 bags

Test Quantity Destination

HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY (Method A)(Flexible Wall)

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President: Saad Farag



Hydraulic Conductivity Test (ASTM D5084- Method A)

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REL253037 / Sundial Feeders Expansion Project Info: Reviewed by: S. F. Client: Roseke Engineering Ltd. Solum Job No.: 18402250717(272) Sample Info: 2B7 4.5-6.0 m **Test Parameters** Approx. Assumed Soil Type 8 Test Fluids 2.70 Remoulded tap water Sat. Time (days) Gs **Remoulding Information** Sample Information Target MAXDD Height Diameter MC Dry BD Est. Sat. Degree Remoulding mass OPT MC(%) Density (kg/m^3) Percentage (cm) (cm) (%) (g) (kg/m^3) (%) (kg/m^3) Pre-Test Data 7.42 7.00 15.4 552.3 1677 68 15.3 1775 95 1686 7.44 7.01 23.0 588.6 1667 100 Post-Test Data **Test Results** Hydraulic Conductivity **Elapsed Time** Test Time P_{cell} P Head P_{Tail} (In + Out)/2Temp Rt Gradient (h) (h) (deg. C) (mL) K_{20} (cm/sec) (kPa) (kPa) (kPa) 0.995 3.60E-08 111 15 20.2 250.1 230.1 200.0 3.11 41.4 3.23E-08 139 15 19.7 1.008 250.0 230.1 200.1 2.75 41.2 2.75E-08 167 15 20.1 0.998 250.1 230.0 200.0 2.36 41.2 192 15 19.8 1.005 250.1 230.1 200.1 1.82 41.2 2.13E-08 2.11E-08

Avg. K_{20} (m/sec) Avg. K_{20} (cm/sec) 2.1E-08 2.1E-10

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Hydraulic Conductivity Test (ASTM D5084- Method A)

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		Test Parameters				
Soil Type	Remoulded	Approx. Sat. Time (days)	Test Fluids	tap water	Assumed Gs	2.70

Sample Information							Remoulding Information			
	Height (cm)	Diameter (cm)	MC (%)	mass (g)	Dry BD (kg/m^3)	Est. Sat. Degree (%)	OPT MC(%)	MAXDD (kg/m^3)	Remoulding Percentage	Target Density (kg/m^3)
Pre-Test Data	6.93	7.00	21.8	487.5	1500	74	23.0	1585	95	1506
Post-Test Data	6.96	7.02	30.2	521.3	1486	100				

Test Results

Elapsed Time (h)	Test Time (h)	Temp (deg. C)	Rt	P _{cell} (kPa)	P _{Head} (kPa)	P _{Tail} (kPa)	(In + Out)/2 (mL)	Gradient	Hydraulic Conductivity K ₂₀ (cm/sec)
108	15	19.8	1.005	250.0	230.1	200.1	3.61	44.1	3.96E-08
137	15	19.6	1.010	250.0	230.1	200.0	3.09	44.3	3.39E-08
168	15	20.1	0.998	250.1	230.0	200.0	2.60	44.1	2.83E-08
195	15	20.0	1.000	250.1	230.1	200.0	2.23	44.3	2.42E-08
217	15	20.1	0.998	250.0	230.0	200.0	2.21	44.1	2.41E-08

Avg. K₂₀ (cm/sec) 2.4E-08 Avg. K₂₀ (m/sec) 2.4E-10

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STANDARD LABORATORY TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.0 Description of Services to be Performed by Solum Consultants Ltd. (Solum)

Solum shall provide geotechnical and material laboratory testing services on samples in accordance with these terms and conditions and executed Laboratory Testing Request Forms. Solum shall perform its work in accordance with accepted laboratory standards, such as ASTM, CSA or client's specific specs, as well as accepted standard operating procedures. Solum reserves the right to modify methods as necessary based upon experience and/or current scientific literature. If the Client requests a manner of analysis that varies from standard operating or recommended procedures, the Client shall not hold Solum responsible for the results. Such variations of analysis will be noted on the reports. Solum reserves the right to subcontract laboratory testing if a particular test cannot be performed by Solum.

2.0 Reports, Confidentiality and Third Parties

Laboratory reports provided by Solum will be composed of a cover page, tables and figures if applicable. Reports will be e-mailed in PDF format to the individual(s) specified on the Laboratory Testing Request Forms. Laboratory reports may also be faxed or mailed to the Client upon request. Except as required by law, Solum shall not disclose testing results or reports to any party other than the Client, unless the Client, in writing, requests information to be provided to a third party. Solum shall abide by any additional confidentiality requirements requested by the Client provided that such requirements are provided to Solum at or before execution of the testing.

Information provided by Solum is intended for Client use only. Any use by a third party, of reports or documents authored by Solum, or any reliance on or decisions made by a third party based on the findings described in said documents, are the sole responsibility of such third parities, and Solum accepts no responsibility of damages suffered by any third party as a result of decisions made or actions conducted.

3.0 Laboratory Testing Request Form (Chain of Custody)

The laboratory testing request form must be completed by the Client and be accompanied with the samples. Other form of COC may be accepted; however, the condition of Solum COC is still applied. Testing will not commence until the laboratory testing request form has been completed. If requested by the Client, Solum shall provide a copy of the laboratory testing request form with the report.

No persons other than the designated representatives for each Laboratory Testing Request Form are authorized to act regarding changes to the testing request form. Any changes or amendments of the laboratory testing request form must be in writing and be completed by the originator.

4.0 Acceptance, Contamination and Disposal of Samples

Loss or damages to samples remains the responsibility of the Client until Solum representatives acceptance of samples by notation on the laboratory testing request form.

As to any samples that are suspected of containing hazardous substances, the Client will specify the suspected or known substance and level of contamination. This information is to be stated on the laboratory testing request form and be accompanied with the samples before testing can commence. Solum may refuse acceptance of samples if it determines they present a risk to health and safety.

Samples accepted by Solum shall remain the property and liability of the Client while in the custody of Solum. Solum will discard all non-contaminated samples after two weeks of submitting lab report or a month from the date of receiving the samples without additional retention period at a fixed disposal charge, or if requested by the Client, samples may be returned to the Client at no cost to Solum. If requested by client, Solum will store samples provided the client agrees to pay for the storage charge. Contaminated material may be returned/shipped to the Client at the Client's expense or Solum will discard samples with disposal rates varying for samples containing higher levels of contamination, refer to price list.

Soil samples requested to be stored will be stored inside the lab up to the expiration of storage period. Soil samples will be discarded upon the expiration date of the storage period unless client requests either extending storage period or return samples back to client at no cost to Solum.

5.0 Indemnification/Hold Harmless

Solum shall protect, indemnify and save harmless Client, and its directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, invitees and subcontractors, and at Client's request, investigate and defend such entities form and against all claims, demands and causes of action, of every kind and character, without limitation, arising in favour of or made by third parties, on account of bodily injury, death or damage to or loss of their property resulting from any negligent act or wilful misconduct of Solum.

The Client shall protect, indemnify and save harmless Solum, and its directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, invitees and subcontractors, and at Solum's request, investigate and defend such entities form and against all claims, demands and causes of action, of every kind and character, without limitation, arising in favour of or made by third parties, on account of bodily injury, death or damage to or loss of their property resulting from any negligent act or wilful misconduct of Client.

6.0 Limitation of Liability

The total liability of Solum or its staff whether based in contract or tort, will be limited to the lesser of the fees paid or actual damages incurred by the Client. Solum will not be responsible for any consequential or indirect damages even if caused by negligence of Solum. Solum will only be liable for damages resulting form negligence of Solum. All claims by the Client shall be deemed relinquished if not made within one year after the testing date. No warranty is either expressed or implied, or intended by any agreement or by furnishing oral or written reports or findings.

7.0 Termination of Testing Work Order

The Client may order work suspended or terminated upon seven days advance written notice. If work is suspended, Solum shall receive, upon resumption, an adjustment in the cost of services to compensate for additional costs incurred due to the interruption of services. Upon suspension or termination, Solum shall preserve samples provided that the Client agrees to pay the sample storage charge.

8.0 Pricing, Payments and Invoicing

Invoices will be based on most current Solum laboratory testing rates; rates may change without notice. Solum invoices shall be paid within thirty (30) days of receipt of the invoice. Amounts not paid when due shall bear interest at the rate of 18% per annum from the date due until the date of payment.



Clay

Soil Texture

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Roseke Engineering Ltd. 3614 18 Ave N Lethbridge, T1H 5S7 Canada Report #: 211452 Report Date: 2025-07-17

Received: 2025-07-16 **Completed:** 2025-07-17

Test Done: ST

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Silty Clay

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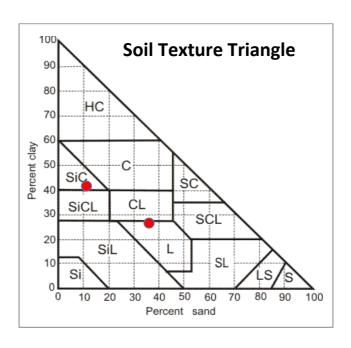
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Sample ID: 250716P023 250716P024 Cust. Sample ID: 2B7 6B3 Analyte Units 4.5-6.0 1.5-3.0 % 36.3 11.3 Sand Silt 37.5 47.5 %

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Backfill Materials and Compaction

1.0 Definitions

"Landscape fill" is typically used in areas such as berms and grassed areas where settlement of the fill and noticeable surface subsidence can be tolerated. "Landscape fill" may comprise soils without regard to engineering quality.

"General engineered fill" is typically used in areas where a moderate potential for subgrade movement is tolerable, such as asphalt (i.e., flexible) pavement areas. "General engineered fill" should comprise clean, granular or clay soils.

"Select engineered fill" is typically used below slabs-on-grade or where high volumetric stability is desired, such as within the footprint of a building. "Select engineered fill" should comprise clean, well-graded granular soils or inorganic low to medium plastic clay soils.

"Structural engineered fill" is used for supporting structural loads in conjunction with shallow foundations. "Structural engineered fill" should comprise clean, well-graded granular soils.

"Lean-mix concrete" is typically used to protect a subgrade from weather effects including excessive drying or wetting. "Lean-mix concrete" can also be used to provide a stable working platform over weak subgrades. "Lean-mix concrete" should be low strength concrete having a minimum 28-day compressive strength of 3.5 MPa. Standard Proctor Density (SPD) as used herein means Standard Proctor Maximum Dry Density (ASTM Test Method D698). Optimum moisture content is defined in ASTM Test Method D698.

2.0 General Backfill and Compaction Recommendations

Exterior backfill adjacent to abutment walls, basement walls, grade beams, pile caps and above footings, and below highway, street, or parking lot pavement sections should comprise "general engineered fill" materials as defined above. Exterior backfill adjacent to footings, foundation walls, grade beams and pile caps and within 600 mm of final grade should comprise inorganic, cohesive "general engineered fill". Such backfill should provide a relatively impervious surficial zone to reduce seepage into the subsoil against the structure.

Backfill should not be placed against a foundation structure until the structure has sufficient strength to withstand the earth pressures resulting from placement and compaction. During compaction, careful observation of the foundation wall for deflection should be carried out continuously. Where deflections are apparent, the compactive effort should be reduced accordingly.

In order to reduce potential compaction induced stresses, only hand-held compaction equipment should be used in the compaction of fill within 1 m of retaining walls or basement walls. If compacted fill is to be placed on both sides of the wall, they should be filled together so that the level on either side is within 0.5 m of each other.

All lumps of materials should be broken down during placement. Backfill materials should not be placed in a frozen state, or placed on a frozen subgrade.

Where the maximum-sized particles in any backfill, material exceed 50 percent of the minimum dimension of the cross-section to be backfilled (e.g., lift thickness), such particles should be removed and placed at other more suitable locations on site or screened off prior to delivery to site.

Bonding should be provided between backfill lifts. For fine-grained materials, the previous lift should be scarified to the base of the desiccated layer, moisture-conditioned, and recompacted and bonded thoroughly to the succeeding lift. For granular materials, the surface of the previous lift should be scarified to about a 75 mm depth followed by proper moisture-conditioning and re-compaction.

3.0 COMPACTION AND MOISTURE CONDITIONING

"Landscape fill" material should be placed in compacted lifts not exceeding 300 mm and compacted to a density of not less than 90 percent of SPD unless a higher percentage is specified by the jurisdiction.

"General engineered fill" and "select engineered fill" materials should be placed in layers of 150 mm compacted thickness and should be compacted to not less than 98 percent of SPD. Note that the contract may specify higher compaction levels within 300 mm of the design elevation. Cohesive materials placed as "general engineered fill" or "select engineered fill" should be compacted at 0 to 2 percent above the optimum moisture content. Note that there are some silty soils which can become guite unstable when compacted above optimum moisture content.

Granular materials placed as "general engineered fill" or "select engineered fill" should be compacted at slightly below (0 to 2%) the optimum moisture content. "Structural engineered fill" material should be placed in compacted lifts not exceeding 150 mm in thickness and compacted to not less than 100 percent of SPD at slightly below (0 to 2%) the optimum moisture content.

4.0 "GENERAL ENGINEERED FILL"

Low to medium plastic clay is considered acceptable for use as "general engineered fill," assuming this material is inorganic and free of deleterious materials. Materials meeting the specifications for "select engineered fill" or "structural engineered fill" as described below would also be acceptable for use as "general engineered fill."

5.0 "SELECT ENGINEERED FILL"

Low to medium plastic clay with the following range of plasticity properties is generally considered suitable for use as "select engineered fill":

Liquid Limit = 20 to 40%

Plastic Limit = 10 to 20%

Plasticity Index = 10 to 30%

Test results should be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Construction Excavations

Construction should be in accordance with good practice and comply with the requirements of the responsible regulatory agencies.

All excavations greater than 1.5m deep should be sloped or shored for worker protection.

Shallow excavations up to about 3m depth may use temporary sideslopes of 1H:1V. A flatter slope of 2H:1V should be used if groundwater is encountered. Localized sloughing can be expected from these slopes.

Deep excavations or trenches may require temporary support if space limitations or economic considerations preclude the use of sloped excavations.

For excavations greater than 3m depth, temporary support should be designed by a qualified geotechnical engineer. The design and proposed installation and construction procedures should be submitted to Roseke for review.

The construction of a temporary support system should be monitored. Detailed records should be taken of installation methods, materials, in situ conditions and the movement of the system. If anchors are used, they should be load tested. Roseke can provide further information on monitoring and testing procedures if required.

Attention should be paid to structures or buried service lines close to the excavation. For structures, a general guideline is that if a line projected down, at 45 degrees from the horizontal from the base of foundations of adjacent structures intersects the extent of the proposed excavation, these structures may require underpinning or special shoring techniques to avoid damaging earth movements. The need for any underpinning or special shoring techniques and the scope of monitoring required can be determined when details of the service ducts and vaults, foundation configuration of existing buildings and final design excavation levels are known.

No surface surcharges should be placed closer to the edge of the excavation than a distance equal to the depth of the excavation, unless the excavation support system has been designed to accommodate such surcharge.

Proof Rolling

Proof-rolling is a method of detecting soft areas in an 'as-excavated' subgrade for fill, pavement, floor or foundations or detecting non-uniformity of compacted embankment. The intent is to detect soft areas or areas of low shear strength not otherwise revealed by means of test holes, density testing, or visual examination of the site surface and to check that any fill placed or subgrade meets the necessary design strength requirements.

Proof-rolling should be observed by qualified geotechnical personnel.

Proof-rolling is generally accomplished by the use of a heavy (15 to 60 tonne) rubber-tired roller having 4 wheels abreast on independent axles with high contact wheel pressures (inflation pressures ranging from 550 kPa (80psi) up to 1030 kPa (150 psi).

A heavily loaded tandem axle gravel truck may be used in lieu of the equipment described in the paragraph above. The truck should be loaded to approximately 10 tonnes per axle and a minimum tire pressure of 550 kPa (80 psi). Ground speed - maximum 8 km/hr recommended 4 km/hr.

The recommended procedure is two complete coverages with the proof-rolling equipment in one direction and a second series of two coverages made at right angles to the first series; one 'coverage' means that every point of the proof-rolled surface has been subjected to the tire pressure of a loaded wheel. Less rigorous procedures may be acceptable under certain conditions subject to the approval of an engineer.

Any areas of soft, rutted or displaced materials detected should be either recompacted with additional fill or the existing material removed and replaced with general engineered fill, or properly moisture conditioned as necessary.

The surface of the grade under the action of the proof-roller should be observed, noting visible deflection and rebound of the surface, formation of a crack pattern in the compacted surface or shear failure in the surface or granular soils as ridging between wheel tracks.

If any part of an area indicates significantly more distress than other parts, the cause should be investigated, by, for example, shallow auger holes.

In the case of granular subgrades, distress will generally consist of either compression due to insufficient compaction or shearing under the tires. In the first case, rolling should be continued until no further compression occurs. In the second case, the tire pressure should be reduced to a point where the subgrade can carry the load without significant deflection and subsequently gradually increased to it specified pressure as the subgrade increases in shear strength under this compaction.