Residential Subdivision The Gardens - Stage 5 Site Classification

Nos. 688 to 730 Medowie Road, Medowie

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McCloy Project Management Pty Ltd Suite 2, Ground Floor, 317 Hunter Street NEWCASTLE NSW 2300

Attention: Mr Bryson Cox

Dear Sir,

RE: RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION – THE GARDENS – STAGE 5 Nos. 688 TO 730 MEDOWIE ROAD, MEDOWIE SITE CLASSIFICATION (LOTS 501 TO 520)

Please find enclosed our geotechnical report for Stage 5 of "The Gardens" residential subdivision, located at Nos. 688 to 730 Medowie Road, Medowie.

The report provides site classification with respect to reactive soils, in accordance with the requirements of AS2870-2011 'Residential Slabs and Footings', for Stage 5 (Lots 501 to 520), following completion of site regrade works.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact Ben Bunting, Shannon Kelly, or the undersigned.

For and on behalf of Qualtest Laboratory (NSW) Pty Ltd

Jason Lee Principal Geotechnical Engineer

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1.0 Introduction

Qualtest Laboratory NSW Pty Ltd (Qualtest) is pleased to present this geotechnical report on behalf of McCloy Development Management Pty Ltd (McCloy), for Stage 5 of 'The Gardens' residential subdivision, located at Nos. 688 to 730 Medowie Road, Medowie.

Based on the brief and sales plan provided by McCloy, Stage 5 is understood to include 20 residential allotments (Lots 501 to 520).

The scope of work for the geotechnical investigation included providing site classification with respect to reactive soils, in accordance with the requirements of AS2870-2011 '*Residential Slabs and Footings*', for Stage 5 following completion of site regrade works which included controlled filling of Lots 505 to 514.

This report presents the results of the field work investigations and laboratory testing, and provides recommendations for the scope outlined above.

2.0 Desktop Study

The scope of work has included a review of the following reports completed by Qualtest:

- Geotechnical Assessment, 'Proposed Residential Subdivision, Medowie Gardens, Medowie Road, Medowie, (Report Reference: NEW19P-0143-AA, dated 27 November 2019).
- Site Classification, 'Residential Subdivision, The Gardens Stage 4', (Report Reference: NEW19P-00143G-AA, dated 9 September 2022); and,
- Level 1 Site Re-grade Assessment Report, 'The Gardens Subdivision Stage 5, Medowie Road, Medowie', (Report Reference: NEW21P-0009E-AA, dated 8 February 2023).

This report includes a summary of selected results from the previous reports where applicable.

3.0 Field Work

Field work investigations were carried out on 18 January 2023, comprising of:

- Excavation of eleven (11 no.) boreholes (BH501 to BH511) using a 2.7 tonne excavator with a 300mm diameter auger, to depths of 2.00m;
- Undisturbed samples (U50 tubes) were taken for subsequent laboratory testing; and,
- Boreholes were backfilled with the excavation spoil and compacted using the excavator auger and tracks.

Investigations were carried out by an experienced Geotechnical Engineer from Qualtest who located the boreholes, carried out the testing and sampling, produced field logs of the boreholes, and made observations of the site surface conditions.

Approximate borehole locations are shown on the attached Figure AA1.

Engineering logs of the boreholes are presented in Appendix A.

4.0 Site Description

4.1 Site Regrade Works

Initial Site Re-grade Works – Performed During Stage 4 Bulk Earthworks

Following an initial site visit, stripping assessment and recommendations performed on 11 April 2022 (Qualtest ref. NEW21P-0009D-SR01, dated 19/04/22), initial Stage 4 site re-grading works were conducted between 19 April 2022 and 17 May 2022.

Re-grade works predominately included filling within all or portions of Lots 411 to 414, with minor filling encroaching into Lot 508 within Stage 5.

Subsequent Site Re-grade Works – Performed During Stage 5 Bulk Earthworks

Following subsequent site visits, stripping assessments and recommendations performed on 26 August 2022, 31 August 2022, and 12 September 2022 (Qualtest ref. NEW21P-0009E-SR01 dated 15/09/22, NEW21P-0009E-SR02 dated 15/09/22 and NEW21P-0009E-SR03 dated 20/09/22), additional site re-grading works were conducted between 29 August 2022 and 1 December 2022.

Re-grade works included filling within all or portions of Lots 505 to 514. Filling within these lots consisted predominantly of the placement of remaining required fill to bring lots to finished design levels.

Refer to attached Figure AA1 for the approximate extent of re-grade works for this stage of the development.

Filling Method Performed

Prior to filling, re-grade areas were stripped of topsoil and unsuitable material to expose the suitable natural foundation profile. Preparation works were then performed, which consisted of tyning, re-conditioning and re-compaction of the stripped surface, prior to filling with approved site fill to design finish levels.

Filling was performed using site stockpiled material won from excavations cut from around the site. The fill material could generally be described as mixtures of Residual (CI-CH) Sandy CLAY, medium to high plasticity, red / brown / grey in colour, with fine to coarse grained Sand.

The approximate depth of fill placed ranged in the order of 0.1m to about 1.5m, with the deepest areas being within the footprint of the previous farm dam, predominately located within Lots 508 to 509.

The approximate depth range of fill placed was in the order of:

- Lot 505 to 506 0.0m to 0.6m;
- Lot 507 to 509 0.6m to 1.5m;
- Lot 510 to 512 0.6m to 1.2m;
- Lot 513 to 514 0.0m to 0.6m.

The fill was compacted in maximum lifts of 0.3m thickness. Any unsuitable or deleterious material within the fill was removed by hand or mechanical means prior to final compaction of the material.

As the geotechnical testing authority engaged for the project, Qualtest state that the filling performed for the re-grade areas within Stage 5 (as noted above and shown approximately on Figure AA1) was carried out to Level 1 criteria as defined in Clause 8.2 – Section 8 of AS3798-2007, "Guidelines on Earthworks for Commercial and Residential Developments".

The recommendations of this report are based on our understanding of lot regrade works from the Level 1 fill supervision by Qualtest, and placement of low reactivity topsoil material such that total depth of topsoil and uncontrolled fill does not exceed 0.4m. Qualtest should be informed without delay if additional earthworks are known to have been carried out.

4.2 **Surface Conditions**

The site is located east of Medowie Road, Medowie. The site comprises Stage 5 of the Medowie Gardens residential subdivision at Nos. 688 to 730 Medowie Rd, Medowie, off the newly named Lancewood Street. The site comprises 20 proposed residential allotments and associated road pavements. The site of the proposed development is shown on Figure AA1.

Stage 5 is bounded to the north by existing residential allotments, to the west by existing Stage 4, and to the south and east by future Stage 6 of The Gardens subdivision.

On the day of the investigation, stormwater systems had been constructed, pavements had been constructed (but not sealed), and the site was judged to be reasonably well drained.

Photographs of the site taken on the day of the site investigations are shown below.



Photograph 1: From near south-western corner of Lot 501, facing north.



Photograph 3: From near eastern boundary of Lot 503, facing northwest.



Photograph 2: From near south-western corner of Lot 501, facing northeast.



Photograph 4: From near eastern boundary of Lot 503, facing north.



Photograph 5: From near south-western corner of Lot 507, facing north-northeast.



Photograph 6: From near south-western corner of Lot 507, facing east.



Photograph 7: From near south-western corner of Lot 510, facing north.



Photograph 9: From near south-western corner of Lot 510, facing southeast.



Photograph 8: From near south-western corner of Lot 510, facing east.



Photograph 10: From near south-western corner of Lot 510, facing south-southwest.





Photograph 11: From near south-eastern corner of Lot 520, facing northwest.

Photograph 12: From near south-eastern corner of Lot 520, facing northwest.

4.3 Subsurface Conditions

Reference to the 1:100,000 Newcastle Coalfield Regional Geology Sheet 9231 indicates the majority of the site to be underlain by the Permian Aged Tomago Coal Measures, which are characterised by Siltstone, Sandstone, Coal, Tuff and Claystone rock types. The western part of the site is indicated to be underlain by Quaternary aged alluvial deposits of gravel, sand, silt and clay.

Table 1 presents a summary of the typical soil types encountered on site during the field investigations, divided into representative geotechnical units.

Table 2 contains a summary of the distribution of the above geotechnical units at the borehole locations.

Unit	Soil Type	Description					
1A	FILL – TOPSOIL	Silty Sandy CLAY - low plasticity, dark grey-brown, fine grained sand, with some sticks. Sandy CLAY - low plasticity, dark grey-brown to grey-brown, fine grained sand, with some sticks.					
1B	UNCONTROLLED FILL	Not Encountered during current investigation.					
1C	CONTROLLED FILL	Sandy CLAY - medium to high plasticity, pale brown to pale orange-brown with some dark brown, fine grained sand. Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, brown to red-brown, fine grained sand. CLAY - red-brown with some pale grey to white and brown,					
	CLAY - red-brown with some pale grey to white a with some fine grained sand.						
2	TOPSOILSilty CLAY - low plasticity, grey-brown, with some fine sand, root affected.Sandy CLAY - low plasticity, grey-brown, fine grained root affected.						
3	COLLUVIUM / SLOPEWASH	Not Encountered during current investigation.					
		Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, pale orange-brown to pale brown, fine grained sand. Sandy CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brown and pale					
4	RESIDUAL SOIL	brown to pale orange-brown, fine grained sand.					
		CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brown, with some fine grained sand.					
		CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brown with some pale grey to white, trace fine grained sand.					
5	EXTREMELY WEATHERED (XW) ROCK with soil	Not Encountered during current investigation.					

TABLE 1 – SUMMARY OF GEOTECHNICAL UNITS AND SOIL TYPES

No groundwater was encountered in the boreholes during the limited time that they remained open on the day of the field investigation.

It should be noted that groundwater conditions can vary due to rainfall and other influences including regional groundwater flow, temperature, permeability, recharge areas, surface condition, and subsoil drainage.

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TABLE 2 – SUMMARY OF GEOTECHNICAL UNITS ENCOUNTERED AT BOREHOLE LOCATION	٧S
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Location	Unit 1A FILL – Topsoil	Unit 1B Uncontrolled Fill	Unit 1C Controlled Fill	Unit 2 Topsoil	Unit 3 Colluvium / Slopewash	Unit 4 Residual Soil	Unit 5 XW Rock						
	Depth in metres (m)												
			Current Ir	vestigation									
BH501	-	-	_	0.00 - 0.30	-	0.30 – 2.00	-						
BH502	0.00 - 0.40	-	-	-	-	0.40 - 2.00	-						
BH503	0.00 - 0.40	-	0.40 – 0.55	-	-	0.55 – 2.00	-						
BH504	0.00 – 0.25	-	0.25 – 0.75	-	-	0.75 – 2.00	-						
BH505	0.00 - 0.30	-	0.30 – 1.20	-	-	1.20 - 2.00	-						
BH506	0.00 - 0.25	-	0.25 – 0.80	-	-	0.80 - 2.00	-						
BH507	0.00 - 0.25	-	0.25 – 0.90	-	-	0.90 - 2.00	-						
BH508	0.00 - 0.05	-	0.05 – 0.40	-	-	0.40 - 2.00	-						
BH509	-	-	-	0.00 – 0.30	-	0.30 – 2.00	-						
BH510	-	-	-	0.00 – 0.30	-	0.30 – 2.00	-						
BH511	-	-	-	0.00 - 0.40	-	0.40 - 2.00	-						
		Previous Invest	igation (NEW19P-0	143G-AA, dated 9	September 2022)								
BH407	-	-	0.00 - 2.00	-	-	-	-						
BH408	0.00 - 0.15	-	0.15 – 0.80	-	-	0.80 – 2.00	-						
BH409	-	-	-	0.00 – 0.20	-	0.20 – 2.00	-						
BH410	-	-	-	0.00 - 0.25	-	0.25 – 2.00	-						

Location	Unit 1A FILL – Topsoil	Unit 1B Uncontrolled Fill			Unit 4 Residual Soil	Unit 5 XW Rock	
			I	Depth in metres (m)			
BH411	-	-	-	0.00 – 0.25	-	0.25 – 2.00	-
		Previous Inves	tigation (NEW19P-0	143-AA, dated 27 I	November 2019)		
TP06	-	-	-	0.00 - 0.20	-	0.20 - 1.50^	-
TP09	-	-	-	0.00 - 0.20	0.20 - 0.70	0.70 - 2.00	-
TP17	-	-	-	0.00 - 0.20	0.20 - 0.70	0.70 - 2.00	-
TP19	-	-	-	0.00 - 0.20	-	0.20 - 2.00	-
Note:	^ denotes slow to	o very slow progress	/ close to practice	al refusal of 2.7 tonn	e excavator during	previous investigat	tion.

5.0 Laboratory Testing

Samples collected during the field investigations were returned to our NATA accredited Newcastle Laboratory for testing which comprised of:

• (14 no.) Shrink / Swell tests.

Results of the laboratory testing are included in Appendix B, with a summary of the Shrink/Swell test results presented in Table 3 below.

Location	Depth (m)	Material Description	l _{ss} (%)					
		Current Investigation						
BH501	0.60 - 0.80	0.60 - 0.80 (CI) Sandy CLAY						
BH502	0.80 - 0.95	(CH) CLAY	1.3					
BH503	0.60 - 0.75	(CH) Sandy CLAY	2.6					
BH504	0.35 - 0.55	FILL: (CI) Sandy CLAY	1.0					
BH504	0.80 - 0.95	(CH) Sandy CLAY	1.7					
BH505	0.40 - 0.55	FILL: (CI) Sandy CLAY	0.8					
BH506	0.30 - 0.45	FILL: (CH) CLAY	1.3					
BH506	1.10 - 1.30	(CH) Sandy CLAY	2.7					
BH507	0.30 - 0.50	FILL: (CH) Sandy CLAY	1.0					
BH507	1.00 - 1.15	(CH) Sandy CLAY	1.4					
BH508	0.50 - 0.65	(CH) Sandy CLAY	2.1					
BH509	0.60 - 0.75	(CH) Sandy CLAY	1.7					
BH510	0.50 - 0.65	(CH) CLAY	1.9					
BH511	0.80 - 1.00	(CH) CLAY	1.6					
F	Previous Investiga	tion (NEW19P-0143G-AA, dated 9 Septemb	per 2022)					
BH407	0.30 - 0.45	FILL: (CI) Sandy CLAY	1.3					
BH407	1.00 - 1.30	FILL: (CI) Sandy CLAY	1.9					
BH408	0.30 - 0.45	FILL: (CI) Sandy CLAY	1.8					
BH408	0.90 - 1.05	(CI) Sandy CLAY	2.2					
BH409	0.90 - 1.10	(CI) Sandy CLAY	1.2					
BH410	0.50 - 0.65	(CI) Sandy CLAY	2.4					
BH411	0.80 - 1.00	(CI) Sandy CLAY	1.6					

TABLE 3 – SUMMARY OF SHRINK / SWELL TESTING RESULTS

Location	Depth (m)	Material Description	lss (%)
Р	revious Investiga	tion (NEW19P-0143-AA, dated 27 November 20)19)
TP06	0.45 - 0.85	(CH) CLAY	1.7
TP09	0.45 - 0.70	(CL) CLAY	2.2
TP17	0.80 - 1.00	(CH) CLAY	1.4

6.0 Site Classification to AS2870-2011

Based on the results of the field work and laboratory testing, residential lots located within Stage 5 of The Gardens residential subdivision located at Nos. 688 to 730 Medowie Road, Medowie, as shown on Figure AA1, are classified in their current condition in accordance with AS2870-2011 'Residential Slabs and Footings', as shown in Table 4.

TABLE 4 – SITE CLASSIFICATION TO AS2870-2011

Stage	Lot Numbers	Site Classification
F	501 to 503, and 515 to 520	м
5	504 to 514	H1

A characteristic free surface movement in the range of 20mm to 40mm is estimated for lots classified as **Class 'M'**.

A characteristic free surface movement in the range of 40mm to 60mm is estimated for lots classified as **Class 'H1'**.

The effects of changes to the soil profile by additional cutting and filling and the effects of past and future trees should be considered in selection of the design value for differential movement.

If site re-grading works involving cutting or filling are performed after the date of this assessment the classification may change and further advice should be sought.

Final site classification will be dependent on the type of fill and level of supervision carried out. Re-classification of lots should be confirmed by the geotechnical authority at the time of construction following any site re-grade works.

Footings for the proposed development should be designed and constructed in accordance with the requirements of AS2870-2011.

The classification presented above assumes that:

- All footings are founded in controlled fill (if applicable) or in the natural clayey soils or rock below all non-controlled fill, topsoil material and root zones, and fill under slab panels meets the requirements of AS2870-2011, in particular, the root zone must be removed prior to the placement of fill materials beneath slabs;
- The performance expectations set out in Appendix B of AS2870-2011 are acceptable, and that site foundation maintenance is undertaken to avoid extremes of wetting and drying;

- Footings are to be founded outside of or below all zones of influence resulting from existing or future service trenches;
- The constructional and architectural requirements for reactive clay sites set out in AS2870-2011 are followed;
- Adherence to the detailing requirement outlined in Section 5 of AS2870-2011 'Residential Slabs and Footings' is essential, in particular Section 5.6, 'Additional requirements for Classes *M*, *H*1, *H*2 and *E* sites' including architectural restrictions, plumbing and drainage requirements; and,
- Site maintenance complies with the provisions of CSIRO Sheet BTF 18, "Foundation Maintenance and Footing Performance: A Homeowner's Guide", a copy of which is attached in Appendix C.

All structural elements on all lots regardless of their site classification should be supported on footings founded beneath all uncontrolled fill, layers of inadequate bearing capacity, soft/loose, or other potentially deleterious material.

If any areas of uncontrolled fill of depths greater than 0.4m are encountered during construction, footings should be designed in accordance with engineering principles for Class 'P' sites.

7.0 Limitations

The findings presented in the report and used as the basis for recommendations presented herein were obtained using normal, industry accepted geotechnical design practices and standards. To our knowledge, they represent a reasonable interpretation of the general conditions of the site.

The extent of testing associated with this assessment is limited to discrete borehole locations. It should be noted that subsurface conditions between and away from the borehole locations may be different to those observed during the field work and used as the basis of the recommendations contained in this report.

If subsurface conditions encountered during construction differ from those given in this report, further advice should be sought without delay.

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If you have any further questions regarding this report, please do not hesitate to contact Ben Bunting, Shannon Kelly or the undersigned.

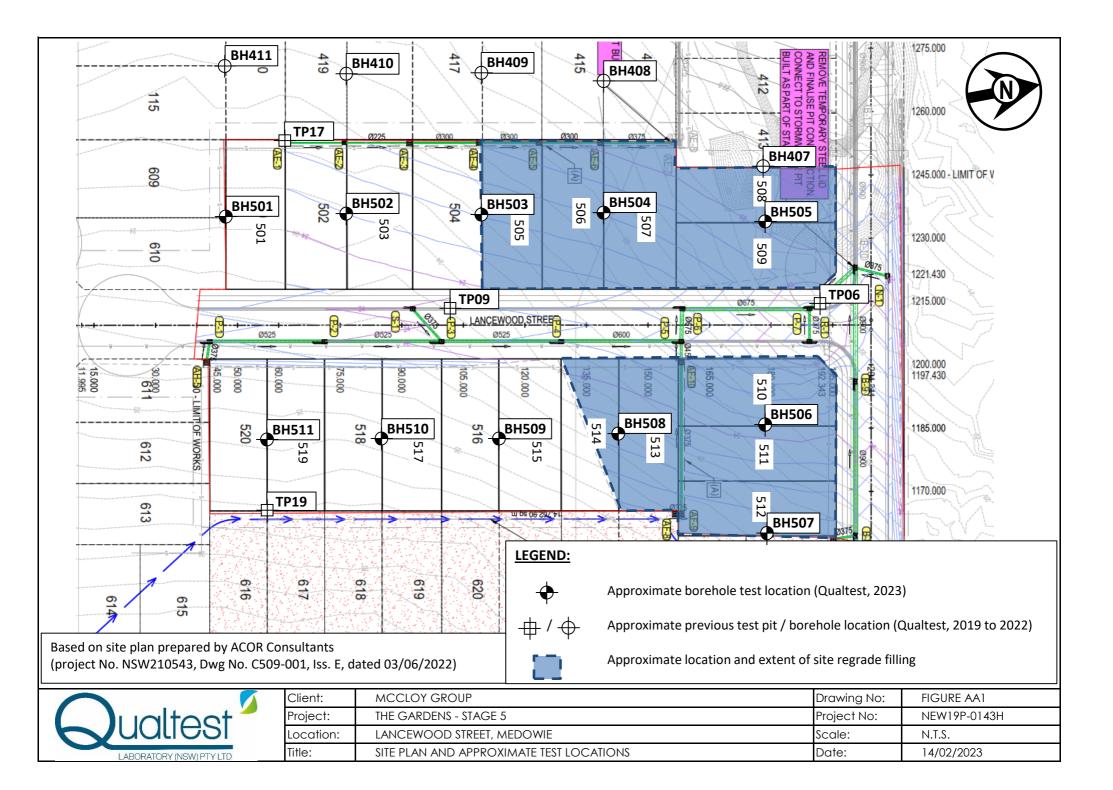
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Jason Lee Principal Geotechnical Engineer

FIGURE AA1:

Site Plan and Approximate Test Locations



APPENDIX A:

Engineering Logs of Boreholes



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BOREHOLE NO:

BH501

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	Dril	ing and Sam	pling				Material description and profile information				Fiel	d Test	
METHOD	WATER	SAMPLES	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	GRAPHIC LOG	CLASSIFICATION SYMBOL	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Soil type, plasticit characteristics,colour,minor componer	y/particle lts	MOISTURE	CONSISTENCY DENSITY	Test Type	Result	Structure and additiona observations
				-		CL	FILL-TOPSOIL: Sandy CLAY - low plasticit grey-brown, fine grained sand, with some s						FILL - TOPSOIL / TOPSO
		0.35m U50 0.55m		- - 0.5_		CI	0.25m FILL: Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, bro red-brown, fine grained sand.	 wn to			HP	230	FILL - CONTROLLED
	ered	0.80m U50		-			0.75m Sandy CLAY - medium to high plasticity, pa orange-brown to pale brown, fine grained s	 ale and.	-		HP HP	300 250	RESIDUAL SOIL
AD/T	Not Encountered	0.95m		- 1. <u>0</u> -		СН	1.20m		M ~ W	VSt			
						СН	Sandy CLAY - medium to high plasticity, re and pale brown to pale orange-brown, fine sand.				HP	350 310	
				-		СН	CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some fine grained sand. <u>1.70m</u>	n with	_			510	
				2.0		СН	2.00m Hole Terminated at 2.00 m	Sanu.					
				-									
LEG	END:			- Notes, Sa	mples a	nd Tes	ts	Consiste	ency			CS (kPa	a) Moisture Condition
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				-		CL	FILL-TOPSOIL: Sandy CLAY - low plasticit grey-brown, fine grained sand, with some s		M ~ Wp				FILL - TOPSOIL / TOPSO
		0.40m U50 0.55m		- 0. <u>5</u>			FILL: Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, bro red-brown, fine grained sand.	 wn to	M < Wp	VSt / H	HP HP	450	FILL - CONTROLLED
				-		CI					HP	250	
AD/T	Not Encountered			- 1. <u>0</u> - - -			1.20m Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, pale orar to pale brown, fine grained sand.	nge-brown	M > Wp	VSt	HP	230 300	RESIDUAL SÕIL — —
				1. <u>5</u> - - - 2.0		сі 	1.80m CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some pale grey to white, trace fine grained		_		HP	280	
				-			Hole Terminated at 2.00 m						
	Wat (Dat Wat Wat I Wat	er Level te and time sh er Inflow er Outflow anges radational or	own)	Notes, Sa U₅₀ CBR E ASS B <u>Field Test</u>	50mm Bulk s Enviro (Glass Acid S (Plasti Bulk S	Diame ample f nmenta jar, se culfate \$ c bag, a ample	er tube sample or CBR testing I sample aled and chilled on site) ioil Sample iir expelled, chilled)	S S F F St S VSt V	Very Soft Soft Firm Stiff Very Stiff Hard Friable V	V	25 25 50 10 20 >4 ery Lc	5 - 50 0 - 100 00 - 200 00 - 400 400	D Dry M Moist W Wet W _p Plastic Limit W _L Liquid Limit Density Index <15%
	D	ansitional strat efinitive or dist rata change		PID DCP(x-y) HP	Dynan	nic pen	n detector reading (ppm) etrometer test (test depth interval shown) meter test (UCS kPa)		L ME D VD	D M	oose ledium ense ery De	n Dense ense	Density Index 15 - 35% Density Index 35 - 65% Density Index 65 - 85% Density Index 85 - 100%



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MEIHOD	WATER	SAMPLES	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	GRAPHIC LOG	CLASSIFICATION SYMBOL	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Soil type, plasticit characteristics,colour,minor componen	y/particle ts	MOISTURE CONDITION	CONSISTENCY DENSITY	Test Type	Result	Structure and additiona observations
				-		CL	FILL-TOPSOIL: Sandy CLAY - low plasticit grey-brown, fine grained sand, with some s		M~ W	<u></u>			FILL - TOPSOIL / TOPSC
		0.30m U50		-			FILL: CLAY - red-brown with some pale gro and brown, with some fine grained sand.	ey to white	M < Wp	Н	HP	500	FILL - CONTROLLED
		0.45m		0.5_		СН			م م		HP	350	
				-					ž	VSt	HP	180	
AD/ I	Not Encountered	1.10m		- 1.0_		CI	0.80m Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, pale oran to pale brown, fine grained sand.	 ge-brown	_	St	HP	200	RESIDUAL SOIL
	-	U50 1.30m		-		СН	<u>1.10m</u> Sandy CLAY - medium to high plasticity, re and pale brown to pale orange-brown, fine sand.	 d-brown grained	M > Wp		HP	350	
				1. <u>5</u> -			CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some pale grey to white, trace fine grained Trace roots at 1.60m.		-	VSt	HP	360	
				- 2.0		CH	Dark grey lenses and pockets.				HP	330	
				- 2.0			Hole Terminated at 2.00 m						
				-									
Wate				Notes, Sa U ₅₀ CBR	50mm	Diame	ts ter tube sample for CBR testing	1	ency /ery Soft Soft		<2	CS (kPa 25 5 - 50) Moisture Condition D Dry M Moist
	(Da Wat Wat	ter Level te and time sh ter Inflow ter Outflow	iown)	E ASS	Enviro (Glass Acid S (Plasti	nmenta jar, se ulfate \$ c bag, ;	al sample valed and chilled on site) Soil Sample air expelled, chilled)	F F St S VSt V H F	⁼irm Stiff /ery Stiff Hard		50 10 20	0 - 100 00 - 200 00 - 400 400	W Wet W _p Plastic Limit W _L Liquid Limit
<u>Stra</u>	G tra	anges radational or ansitional stra efinitive or dis	ta	B Field Test PID DCP(x-y)	<u>s</u> Photoi		on detector reading (ppm) etrometer test (test depth interval shown)	Fb F Density	<u>Friable</u> V L MD	Lo	ery Lo cose	oose n Dense	Density Index <15% Density Index 15 - 35% Density Index 35 - 65%



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	Dril	ling and San	npling				Material description and profile information		-1		Fiel	d Test	
METHOD	WATER	SAMPLES	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	GRAPHIC LOG	CLASSIFICATION SYMBOL	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Soil type, plasticit characteristics,colour,minor componen	y/particle ts	MOISTURE	CONSISTENCY DENSITY	Test Type	Result	Structure and additiona observations
				-		CL	FILL-TOPSOIL: Sandy CLAY - low plasticit grey-brown, fine grained sand, with some s	y, dark sticks.	W _P				FILL - TOPSOIL / TOPSO
		0.30m U50		-			FILL: Sandy CLAY - medium to high plastic brown to pale orange-brown with some dar fine grained sand.		ž		HP	300	FILL - CONTROLLED
		0.50m		0.5_		СН					HP	280	
	ered			-			0.90m		M > W _P		HP	200	
AD/T	Not Encountered	1.00m		- 1. <u>0</u>		 CI	Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, pale oran to pale brown, fine grained sand.	ige-brown			HP	380	RESIDUAL SOIL
	ž	U50 1.15m		-			1.20m		_	VSt			
						СН	Sandy CLAY - medium to high plasticity, re and pale brown to pale orange-brown, fine sand.	grained	M ~ W⊳		HP	280	
				-			CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some pale grey to white, trace fine grained	n with sand.	_ 2		HP	550	
				2.0		СН	2.00m				HP	500	
				- 2.0			Hole Terminated at 2.00 m						
				-									
				-									
	END:	1		Notes, Sa				Consiste	ncy /ery Soft	I		 CS (kPa 25	
-	Wat (Da Wat	ter Level te and time sl ter Inflow	nown)	U₅₀ CBR E ASS	Bulk s Envirc (Glass Acid S	ample f nmenta s jar, se Sulfate \$	ter tube sample for CBR testing al sample aled and chilled on site) Soil Sample	S S F F St S VSt V	Soft Firm Stiff /ery Stiff		25 50 10 20	5 - 50 0 - 100 00 - 200 00 - 400	M Moist W Wet W _p Plastic Limit
Stra	ita Cha	ter Outflow anges iradational or ansitional stra	ita	B <u>Field Test</u> PID	Bulk S <u>s</u> Photoi	ample	air expelled, chilled) on detector reading (ppm)	1	Hard Friable V L		ery Lo	400 Dose	Density Index <15% Density Index 15 - 35%
	_ D	efinitive or dis trata change		DCP(x-y) HP			etrometer test (test depth interval shown) ometer test (UCS kPa)		ME D VD	D	lediur Iense Iery D	n Dense ense	 Density Index 35 - 65% Density Index 65 - 85% Density Index 85 - 100%



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	Drill	ing and Sam	pling				Material description and profile information				Fiel	d Test	
METHOD	WATER	SAMPLES	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	GRAPHIC LOG	CLASSIFICATION SYMBOL	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Soil type, plasticit characteristics,colour,minor componen	y/particle ts	MOISTURE CONDITION	CONSISTENCY DENSITY	Test Type	Result	Structure and additiona observations
						CL	0.05m FILL-TOPSOIL: Sandy CLAY - low plasticit		× ≤				FILL - TOPSOIL / TOPSO
				-		СН	\grey-brown, fine grained sand, with some s FILL: Sandy CLAY - medium to high plastic brown to pale orange-brown with some dar fine grained sand.	city, pale	M > WP M~		HP	230	FILL - CONTROLLED
		0.50m		0.5			Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, pale oran to pale brown, fine grained sand.	ge-brown			HP	300	RESIDUAL SOIL
		U50 0.65m		-		CI	0.90m			VSt			
AD/T	Not Encountered			- 1. <u>0</u>		СН	CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow brown to pale orange-brown, with some fin sand.	n and pale e grained	-		ΗP	320	
	2			-			1.10m CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some pale grey to white, trace fine grained	n with sand.	M ~ W		HP	380	
				- 1. <u>5</u> - - -		СН	Trace fine to medium grained angular to su gravel.	ıb-angular		Н	HP	500	
				2.0			2.00m Hole Terminated at 2.00 m						
				-									
	Wat (Dat Wat	er Level e and time sh er Inflow er Outflow	own)	Notes, Sar U ₅₀ CBR E ASS	50mm Bulk s Enviro (Glass Acid S (Plasti	Diame ample f nmenta jar, se ulfate \$ c bag, a	ts ter tube sample for CBR testing al sample aled and chilled on site) Soil Sample air expelled, chilled)	S S F F St S VSt V H F	ery Soft oft irm tiff ery Stiff lard		<2 2 50 10 20	CS (kPa 25 5 - 50 0 - 100 00 - 200 00 - 400 400	D Dry M Moist W Wet W _p Plastic Limit
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	Drill	ing and San	npling			1	Material description and profile information		-		Fiel	d Test	
METHOD	WATER	SAMPLES	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	GRAPHIC LOG	CLASSIFICATION SYMBOL	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Soil type, plasticit characteristics,colour,minor componen		MOISTURE	CONSISTENCY DENSITY	Test Type	Result	Structure and additiona observations
				-		CL	TOPSOIL: Sandy CLAY - low plasticity, gre fine grained sand, root affected.	y-brown,					TOPSOIL
				- 0.5_		CI	Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, pale oran to pale brown, fine grained sand.	ge-brown	-		HP	300	RESIDUAL SOIL
	Π	0.60m U50 0.75m		-			0.80m		M ~ W		HP	320 350	
AD/T	Not Encountered			- 1. <u>0</u> -		СН	and pale brown to pale orange-brown, fine sand.			VSt	HP	380	
				-		СН	1.20m CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some fine grained sand.		-				
				1. <u>5</u> - - -		СН	L50mCLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some pale grey to white, trace fine grained		M < wp	Н	HP	500 >600	
							2.00m Hole Terminated at 2.00 m						
	Wat (Dat Wat	er Level te and time sl er Inflow er Outflow	hown)	Notes, Sa U ₅₀ CBR E ASS	50mm Bulk s Enviro (Glass Acid S (Plasti	Diame ample f nmenta jar, se Sulfate \$ c bag, s	is ter tube sample or CBR testing il sample aled and chilled on site) soil Sample air expelled, chilled)	S S F F St S VSt V H F	/ery Soft Soft Firm Stiff /ery Stiff Hard		<2 25 50 10 20	CS (kPa) 25 5 - 50 0 - 100 00 - 200 00 - 400 400	Moisture Condition D Dry M Moist W Wet Wp Plastic Limit WL Liquid Limit
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	Drill	ing and Sam	pling			1	Material description and profile information				Fiel	d Test	
METHOD	WATER	SAMPLES	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	GRAPHIC LOG	CLASSIFICATION SYMBOL	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Soil type, plasticit characteristics,colour,minor componen	y/particle ts	MOISTURE	CONSISTENCY DENSITY	Test Type	Result	Structure and additiona observations
				-		CL	TOPSOIL: Sandy CLAY - low plasticity, gre fine grained sand, root affected.	y-brown,					TOPSOIL
		0.50m U50 0.65m		0.5		CI	0.30m Sandy CLAY - medium plasticity, pale oran to pale brown, fine grained sand.	ge-brown	-		HP	300	RESIDUAL SOIL
	ntered			-			0.80m Sandy CLAY - medium to high plasticity, re and pale brown to pale orange-brown, fine sand.	d-brown grained	-		HP	320 380	
AD/T	Not Encountered			1. <u>0</u> - - -		СН	<u>1.40m</u>		_	VSt	HP	350	
				1. <u>5</u> - -		сн 	CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some fine grained sand. <u>1.60m</u> CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some pale grey to white, trace fine grained		-		HP	380 350	
				2.0			2.00m Hole Terminated at 2.00 m						
				-									
<u>Wat</u> ▼	Wat (Dat	er Level e and time sh er Inflow er Outflow anges	own)	I Notes, Sar U₅ CBR E ASS B	50mm Bulk s Enviro (Glass Acid S (Plast	i Diame ample f onmenta s jar, se Sulfate \$	ts ter tube sample for CBR testing al sample aled and chilled on site) Soil Sample air expelled, chilled)	S S F F St S VSt V H F	ency /ery Soft Soft Firm Stiff /ery Stiff Hard Friable		<2 25 50 10 20	<u>CS (kPa</u> 25 5 - 50 0 - 100 00 - 200 00 - 400 400	Moisture Condition D Dry M Moist W Wet W _p Plastic Limit W _L Liquid Limit
	G tra De	radational or ansitional strat efinitive or dist rata change	a	Field Test PID DCP(x-y) HP	: <u>s</u> Photo Dynar	ionisatio nic pen	on detector reading (ppm) etrometer test (test depth interval shown) meter test (UCS kPa)	Density	V L MC D VD	Lo M De	ery Lo bose lediun ense ery Do	n Dense	Density Index <15% Density Index 15 - 35% Density Index 35 - 65% Density Index 65 - 85% Density Index 85 - 100%



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	Drill	ing and Sam	pling				Material description and profile information				Fiel	d Test	
METHOD	WATER	SAMPLES	RL (m)	DEPTH (m)	GRAPHIC LOG	CLASSIFICATION SYMBOL	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Soil type, plasticit characteristics,colour,minor componen	y/particle ts	MOISTURE CONDITION	CONSISTENCY DENSITY	Test Type	Result	Structure and additional observations
				-		CL	TOPSOIL: Sandy CLAY - low plasticity, gre fine grained sand, root affected.	y-brown,	M ~ Wp				TOPSOIL
				- 0. <u>5</u> -		сн	Sandy CLAY - medium to high plasticity, pa orange-brown to pale brown, fine grained s	ale ale and.	M > W _P	St	HP	180	RESIDUAL SOIL
Ϋ́	Not Encountered	0.80m U50 1.00m				СН	CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow brown to pale orange-brown, with some fin sand.	n and pale e grained			HP	350 380	
AD/T	Not E			-		сн	1.20m CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some fine grained sand.	 n, with	~ Wp	VSt	HP	400	
				- 1. <u>5</u> -		— — -	1.50m CLAY - medium to high plasticity, red-brow some pale grey to white, trace fine grained	n with sand.	×		HP	500	
				2.0		СН	2.00m			VSt - H	HP	400	
				-			Hole Terminated at 2.00 m						
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	tra D	radational or ansitional strat efinitive or dis rata change		PID DCP(x-y) HP	Photo Dynar	nic pen	on detector reading (ppm) etrometer test (test depth interval shown) meter test (UCS kPa)	Density	V L ME D VD	L N D	oose	n Dense	Density Index 15 - 35%

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mple ID:		NEW23W-023									
	Nethod	The results our	tlined below	apply to the	sample as i	received					
terial:		Sandy Clay				Date Sa	mpled:	18/01/2023			
ource:		On-Site Insitu				Date Sul	bmitted:	19/01/2023			
ecificatio		No Specification									
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vell on Sa	aturatio	on (%):	-0	.4		Shrink o	on drying (%):	1.9		
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								(0/).	4.0/		
	ontent	after (%):	27	7.2		Est. ine	rt material	(%):	1%		
oisture C		after (%): trength befor						(%): shrinkage			
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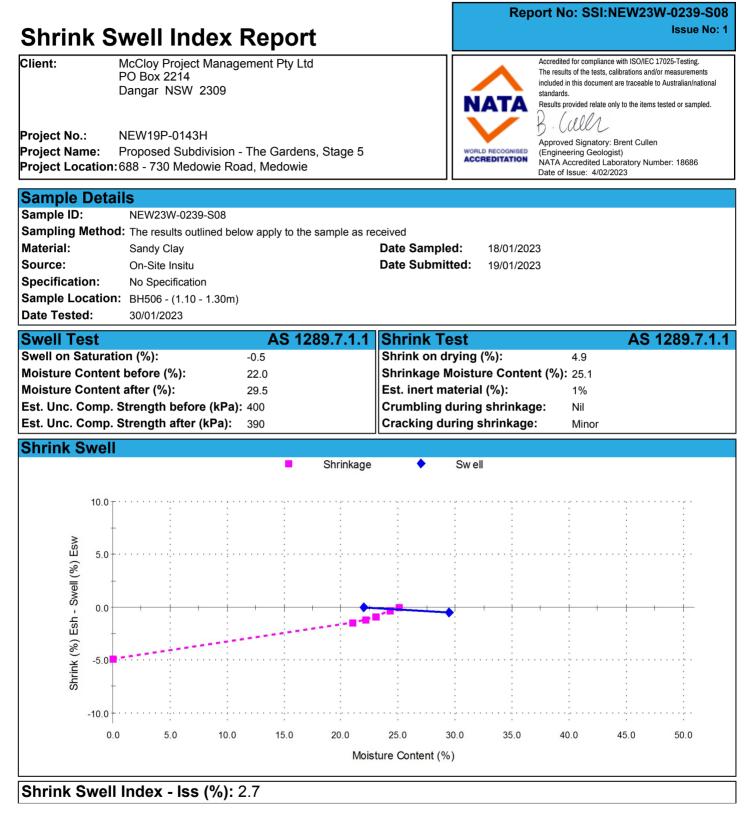
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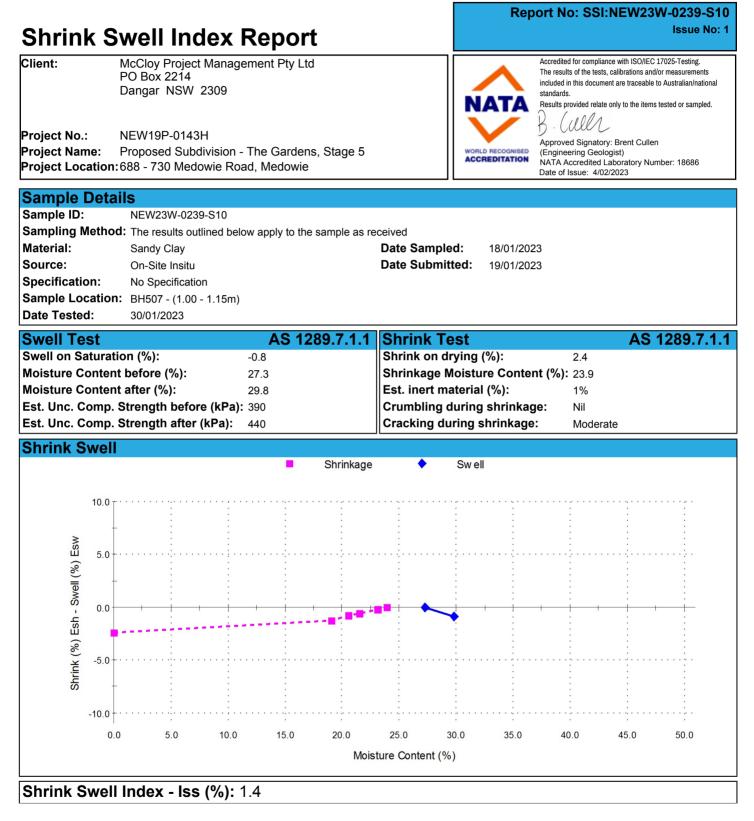
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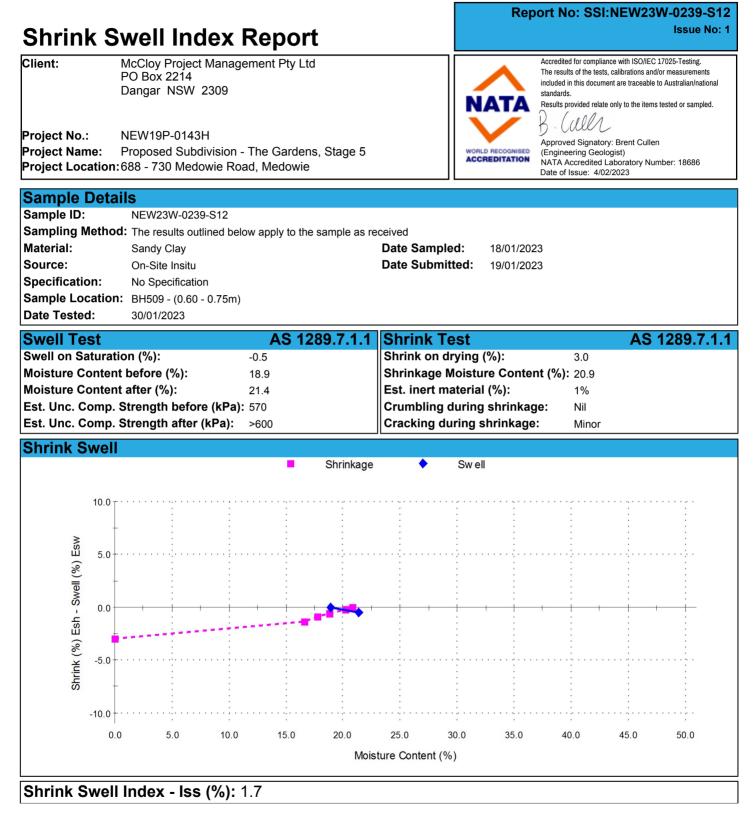
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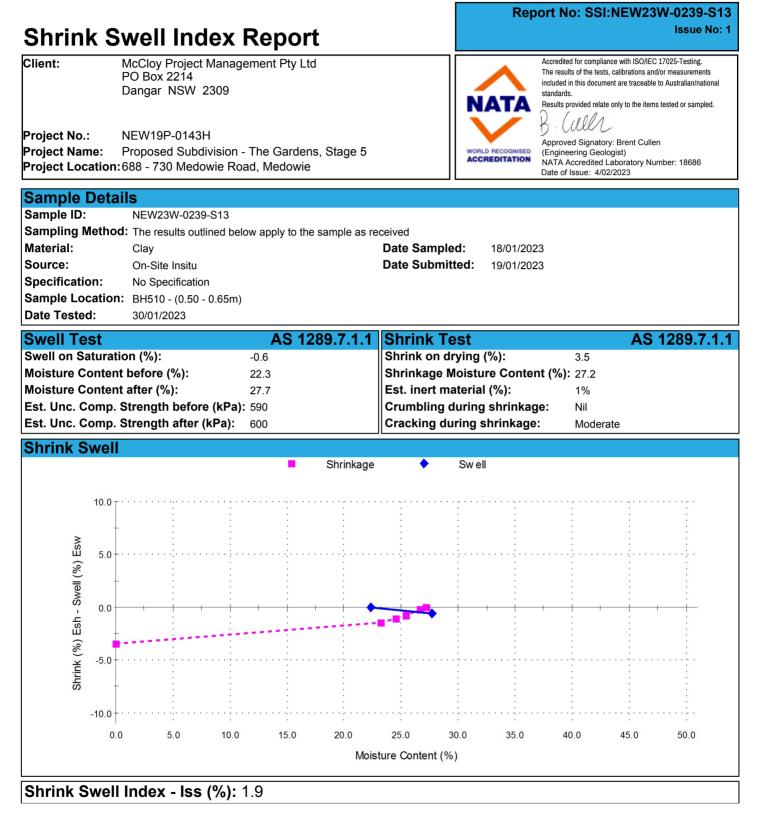
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APPENDIX C:

CSIRO Sheet BTF 18

Foundation Maintenance and Footing Performance: A Homeowner's Guide

Foundation Maintenance and Footing Performance: A Homeowner's Guide



BTF 18 replaces Information Sheet 10/91

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

This Building Technology File is designed to identify causes of soil-related building movement, and to suggest methods of prevention of resultant cracking in buildings.

Soil Types

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

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

Causes of Movement

Settlement due to construction

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

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

These problems are the province of the builder and should be taken into consideration as part of the preparation of the site for construction. Building Technology File 19 (BTF 19) deals with these problems.

Erosion

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

Saturation

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

Seasonal swelling and shrinkage of soil

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

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

Shear failure

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

- Significant load increase.
- Reduction of lateral support of the soil under the footing due to erosion or excavation.
- In clay soil, shear failure can be caused by saturation of the soil adjacent to or under the footing.

GENERAL DEFINITIONS OF SITE CLASSES						
Class	Foundation					
А	Most sand and rock sites with little or no ground movement from moisture changes					
S	Slightly reactive clay sites with only slight ground movement from moisture changes					
М	Moderately reactive clay or silt sites, which can experience moderate ground movement from moisture changes					
Н	Highly reactive clay sites, which can experience high ground movement from moisture changes					
Е	Extremely reactive sites, which can experience extreme ground movement from moisture changes					
A to P	Filled sites					
Р	Sites which include soft soils, such as soft clay or silt or loose sands; landslip; mine subsidence; collapsing soils; soils subject to erosion; reactive sites subject to abnormal moisture conditions or sites which cannot be classified otherwise					

Tree root growth

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

- · Roots that grow under footings may increase in cross-sectional size, exerting upward pressure on footings.
- Roots in the vicinity of footings will absorb much of the moisture in the foundation soil, causing shrinkage or subsidence.

Unevenness of Movement

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

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

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

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

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

Effects of Uneven Soil Movement on Structures

Erosion and saturation

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

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

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

Seasonal swelling/shrinkage in clay

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

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

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



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

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

Movement caused by tree roots

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

Complications caused by the structure itself

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

Effects on full masonry structures

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

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

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

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

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

Upheaval caused by growth of tree roots under footings is not a simple vertical shear stress. There is a tendency for the root to also exert lateral forces that attempt to separate sections of brickwork after initial cracking has occurred.

Trees can cause shrinkage and damage

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

Effects on framed structures

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

Effects on brick veneer structures

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

Water Service and Drainage

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

Pipe leakage and trench water flows also encourage tree and shrub roots to the source of water, complicating and exacerbating the problem.

Poor roof plumbing can result in large volumes of rainwater being concentrated in a small area of soil:

 Incorrect falls in roof guttering may result in overflows, as may gutters blocked with leaves etc.

- Corroded guttering or downpipes can spill water to ground.
- Downpipes not positively connected to a proper stormwater collection system will direct a concentration of water to soil that is directly adjacent to footings, sometimes causing large-scale problems such as erosion, saturation and migration of water under the building.

Seriousness of Cracking

In general, most cracking found in masonry walls is a cosmetic nuisance only and can be kept in repair or even ignored. The table below is a reproduction of Table C1 of AS 2870.

AS 2870 also publishes figures relating to cracking in concrete floors, however because wall cracking will usually reach the critical point significantly earlier than cracking in slabs, this table is not reproduced here.

Prevention/Cure

Plumbing

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

Ground drainage

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

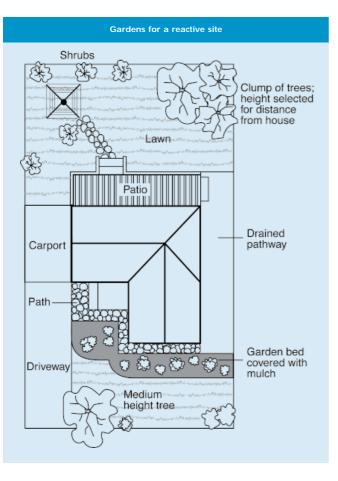
It is, however, sometimes necessary when attempting to prevent water migration that testing be carried out to establish watertable height and subsoil water flows. This subject is referred to in BTF 19 and may properly be regarded as an area for an expert consultant.

Protection of the building perimeter

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

For this reason, particularly where problems exist or are likely to occur, it is recommended that an apron of paving be installed around as much of the building perimeter as necessary. This paving

CLASSIFICATION OF DAMAGE WITH REFERENCE TO WALLS								
Description of typical damage and required repair	Approximate crack width limit (see Note 3)	Damage category						
Hairline cracks	<0.1 mm	0						
Fine cracks which do not need repair	<1 mm	1						
Cracks noticeable but easily filled. Doors and windows stick slightly	<5 mm	2						
Cracks can be repaired and possibly a small amount of wall will need to be replaced. Doors and windows stick. Service pipes can fracture. Weathertightness often impaired	5–15 mm (or a number of cracks 3 mm or more in one group)	3						
Extensive repair work involving breaking-out and replacing sections of walls, especially over doors and windows. Window and door frames distort. Walls lean or bulge noticeably, some loss of bearing in beams. Service pipes disrupted	15–25 mm but also depend on number of cracks	4						



should extend outwards a minimum of 900 mm (more in highly reactive soil) and should have a minimum fall away from the building of 1:60. The finished paving should be no less than 100 mm below brick vent bases.

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

Except in areas where freezing of water is an issue, it is wise to remove taps in the building area and relocate them well away from the building – preferably not uphill from it (see BTF 19).

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

Condensation

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

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

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

The garden

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

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

Existing trees

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

Information on trees, plants and shrubs

State departments overseeing agriculture can give information regarding root patterns, volume of water needed and safe distance from buildings of most species. Botanic gardens are also sources of information. For information on plant roots and drains, see Building Technology File 17.

Excavation

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

Remediation

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

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

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