Appendix B

Geotechnical Study



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Attention: Mr. Colin Lakin, Project Engineer

Project: Pacific Gas & Electric Co.

R-893 Replacement Project (I-580 Crossing)

L-131 MP 32.29 Livermore, California

Subject: <u>DESKTOP GEOLOGICAL/GEOTECHNICAL STUDY</u>

References: 1. "Special Study Zones, Livermore 7.5-Minute Quadrangle, Alameda County, California, Official Map," prepared by California Department of Conservation,

Division of Mines and Geology, dated January 1, 1982.

2. "USGS Open File Report 88-516, Plate-1 Geologic Map of the Livermore Gravels, Alameda County, California," prepared by Vincent Barlock, dated

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1988."

3. "Geotechnical Log of Test Boring Sheet, Arroyo Las Positas Bridge", prepared by Caltrans, dated October 27, 2005.

- 4. "Seismic Hazard Zones, Livermore 7.5-Minute Quadrangle, Alameda County, California, Official Map," prepared by California Geologic Survey, dated August 27, 2008.
- 5. "Supplemental Geotechnical Investigation, Sage Residential Project Tract 8121, Portola Avenue, Livermore, California", prepared by Berlogar Stevens & Associates, dated April 1, 2013.
- 6. "Pipeline Design Basis Plan, R-893 Replacement Project", prepared by Pacific Gas & Electric Company, dated June 29, 2017.

Dear Mr. Lakin,

As requested, we have prepared this desktop geological / geotechnical study for the design and construction of Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E) proposed replacement of the R-893 24-inch gas transmission pipeline in Livermore, California. The site location in relation to surrounding streets and landmarks is shown in *Figure No. 1, Vicinity Map*. The purpose of this report is to provide a preliminary geological hazard assessment and geotechnical recommendations prior to a completing our proposed geotechnical study. To develop this report, TGE has reviewed project alignment plans and documents, previous geotechnical information by Caltrans and Berlogar Stevens & Associates (see References No. 3 and 5 above) performed in the vicinity of the site, available geologic and seismic hazard maps for the area, and performed a site reconnaissance.

The proposed project consists of installing a 24-inch gas transmission pipeline beneath the I-580 Freeway by means of either Jack-and-Bore or Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD). Five separate options and alignments are currently being considered for the installation as shown on *Figure No. 2, Plot Plan.* Option No. 3 is most desirable with option No. 5 a second choice. For each option, the trenchless installations will begin on the northside of the I-580 freeway within a new Shea Homes residential development and end within the gravel parking lot of G&M Farms on the south side of I-580. The beginning elevation of the project ranges from approximately 430 to 440 feet above mean sea level (MSL) depending on the option chosen, and ends at approximately 420 feet MSL. In addition to the I-580 freeway, the gas transmission line will cross Arroyo Las Positas, a small creek.

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The study area is generally underlain by Surficial Deposits (Qu) as shown on *Figure No. 3*, Regional Geology Map. Based on review of boring logs in the vicinity of the project by Caltrans and Berlogar Stevens & Associates, these materials consist primarily of clay in a stiff to very stiff condition, with relatively thin interlayered zones of silty sand, clayey sand, poorly-graded sand and gravel.

During the site reconnaissance, standing water was observed within Arroyo Las Positas. Therefore, groundwater is anticipated within the project alignment. Caltrans encountered groundwater during their exploratory borings performed for the I-580 Arroyo Las Positas bridge overcrossing at elevations ranging from approximately 387 feet to 403 feet MSL. The exploratory borings performed for the Shea Homes development on the north side of the alignment did not encounter groundwater to the maximum depth explored of approximately 407 feet MSL.

Based on our review of the USGS fault map shown in *Figure No. 4, Regional Fault Map*, no known active faults with the potential for surface fault rupture are known to exist beneath the project alignment. Accordingly, the potential for surface rupture at the site due to faulting is considered very low during the design life of the proposed structures. A detailed fault investigation is not recommended. However, regional seismic activity is capable of producing high ground accelerations and strong ground shaking. The Seismic Hazard Zones Map (see *Figure No. 5*) indicates that the project alignment is within an area of liquefaction potential (i.e., area consisting of alluvial deposits with presence of shallow groundwater) and earthquake-induced landslide potential. The potential for liquefaction and landslides should be addressed by the design level geotechnical report.

The geotechnical borings in the area suggest that the project alignment is underlain primarily by clayey soils. Fine grained soils such as clay and silt are not suitable for use as fills in utility trenches. In addition, clay soils typically have a low electrical resistivity which can present a high potential for corrosion to buried ferrous materials. The design level geotechnical report should evaluate corrosion potential and provide mitigation considerations, if necessary.

A potential for scour exists within Arroyo Las Positas. Based on our preliminary review the potential for scour ranges from about 10 to 12 feet below existing ground surface. The design level geotechnical report should evaluate the potential scour depth to ensure the gas line is installed sufficiently below the maximum scour depth.

Construction considerations include groundwater and variable ground conditions along the project alignment. The design level geotechnical report should specifically address detailed construction recommendations related to installation of the pipeline by means of Jack-and-Bore and HDD methods.

TGE appreciates the opportunity to provide this geotechnical engineering service for this project and we look forward to continuing our role as your geotechnical engineering consultant. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions, comments, or concerns regarding this project.

Respectfully submitted,

TRINITY Geotechnical Engineering, Inc.

Jeffrey Magalong, PE

President

Dennis Poland, PG, Co Principal Engineering C

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Reviewed by,

VO Engineering, Inc.

Van Olin, PE, GE Principal Geotechnical Engine

Attachments:

Figure No. 1 – Vicinity Map

Figure No. 2 – Plot Plan

Figure No. 3 – Regional Geology Map Figure No. 4 – Regional Fault Map Figure No. 5 – Seismic Hazard Zones Map

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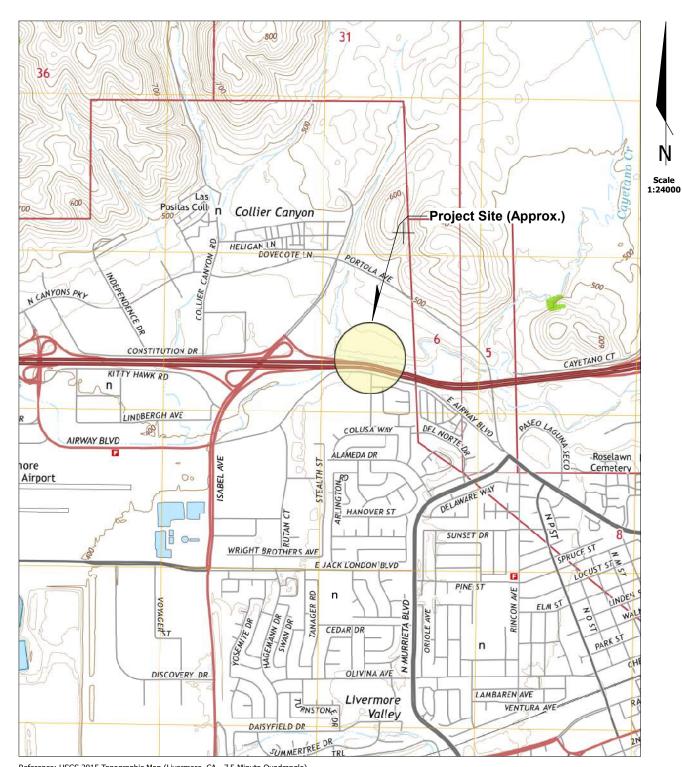
Appendix A – Caltrans Log of Test Boring Sheets Appendix B – Shea Homes Geotechnical Report

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FIGURES



Reference: USGS 2015 Topographic Map (Livermore, CA - 7.5 Minute Quadrangle)

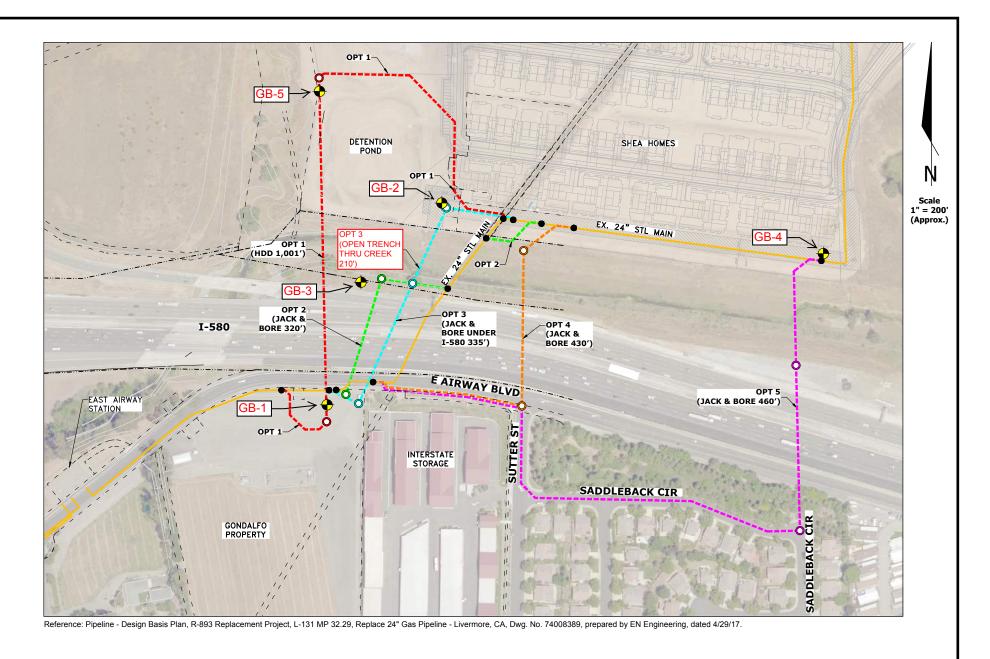


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Vicinity Map

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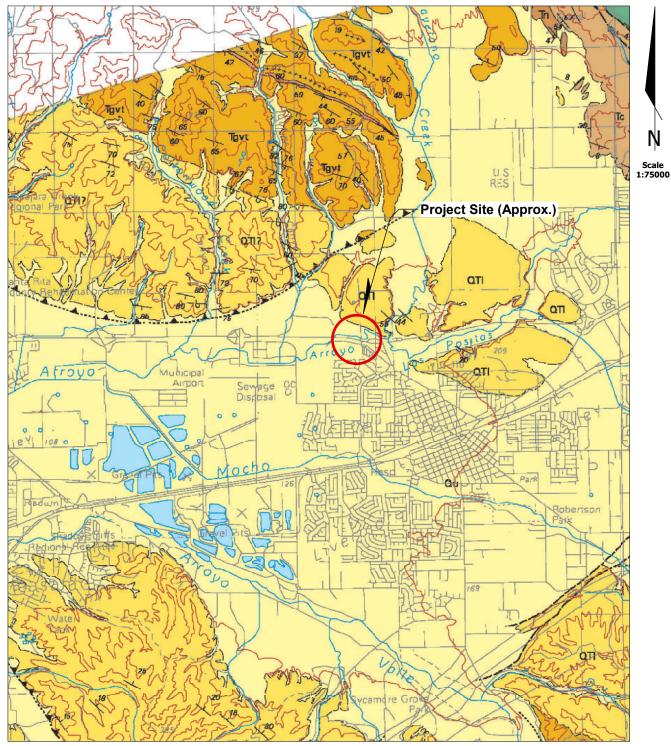
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Plot Plan

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Reference: Preliminary Geologic Map Emphasizing Bedrock Formations in Alameda County, California:Derived from the Digital Database Open-File 96-252, dated 1996.

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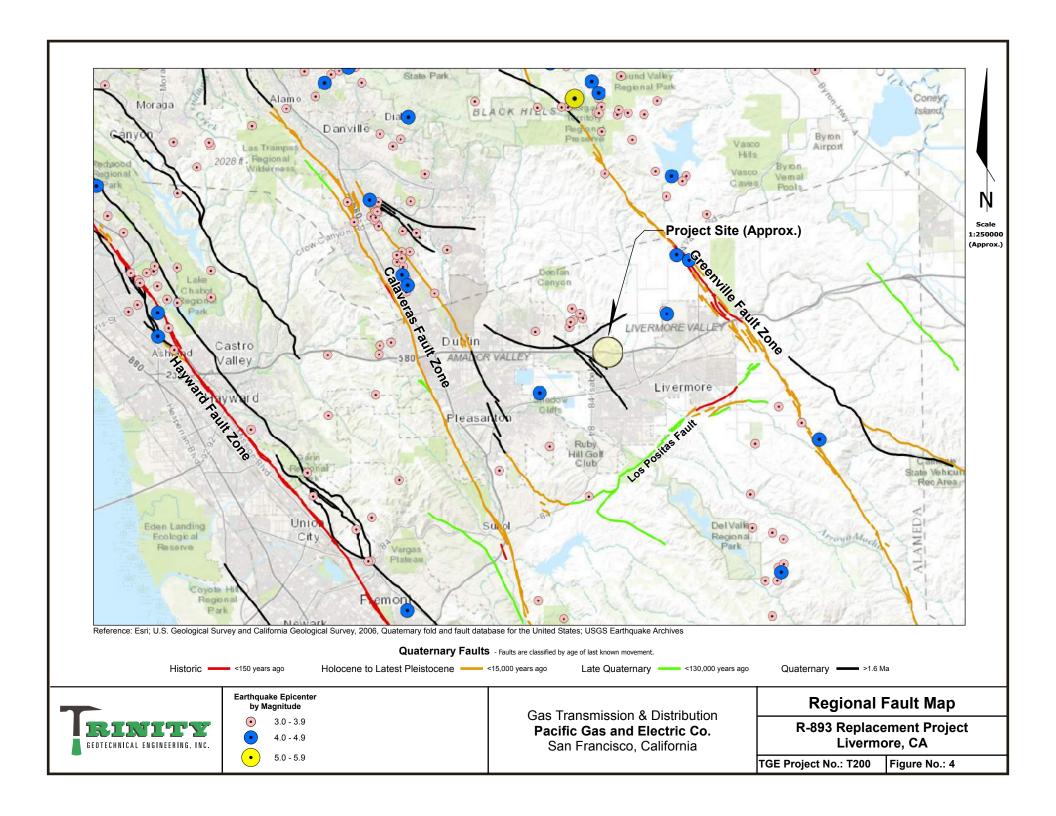
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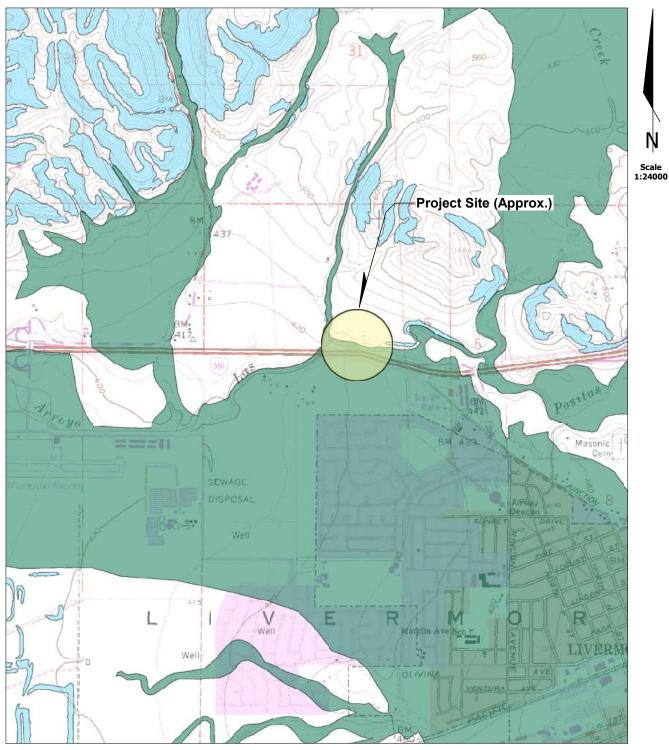
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Regional Geology Map

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Reference: CGS Earthquake Zones of Required Investigation, Livermore, Quadrangle, dated 2008

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Liquefaction Zones

Earthquake-Induced Landslide Zones



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Seismic Hazard Zones Map

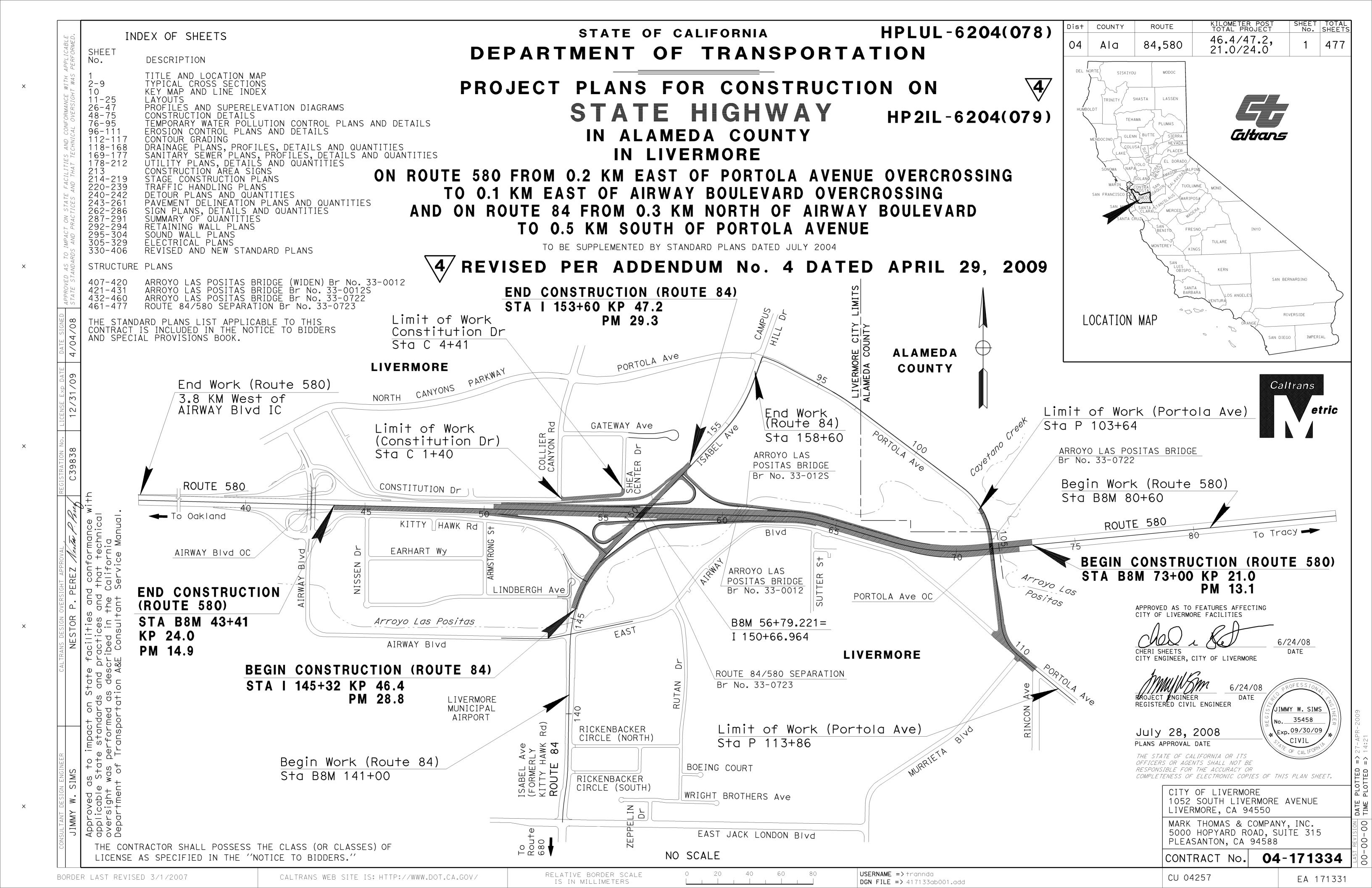
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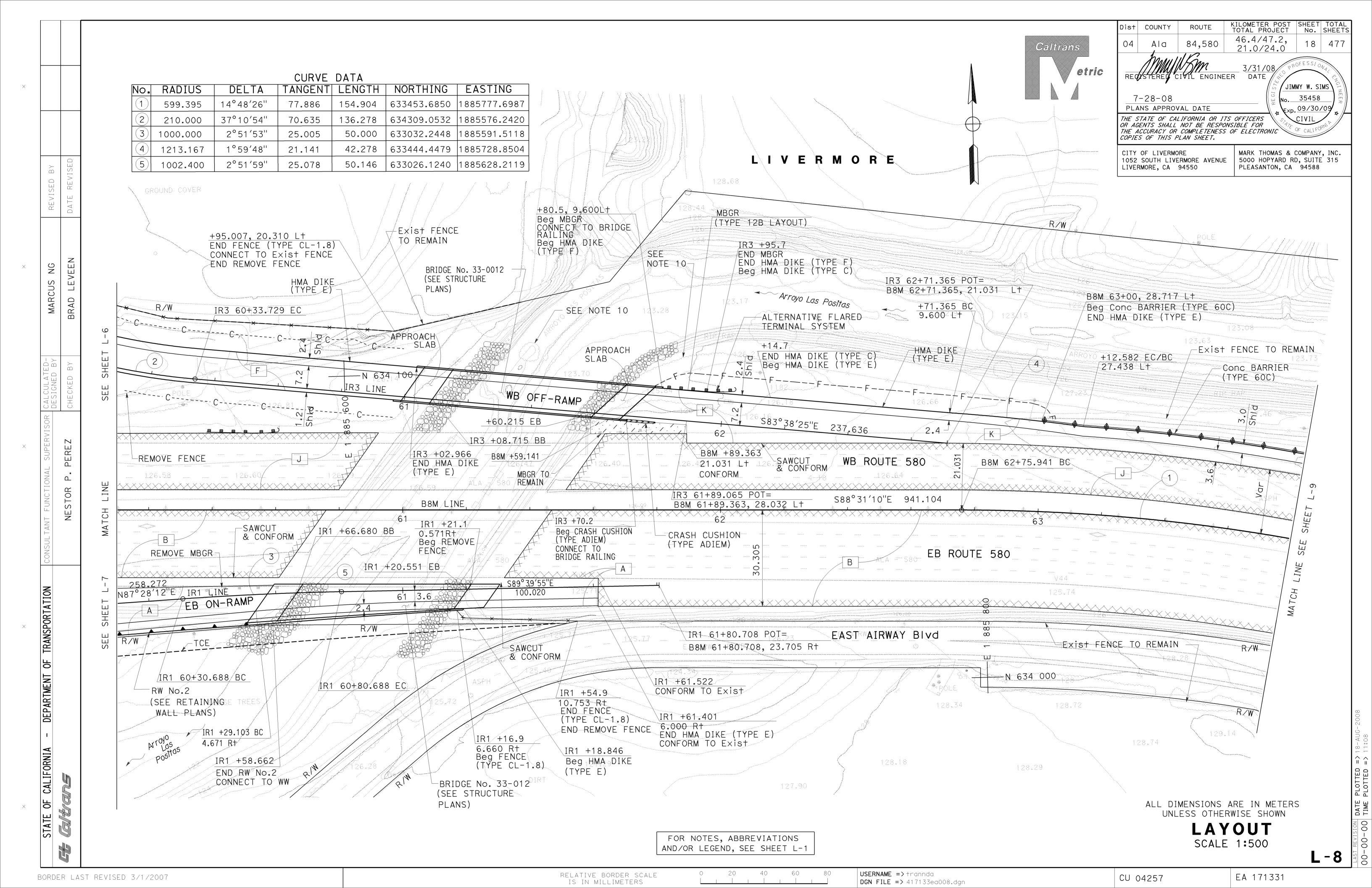
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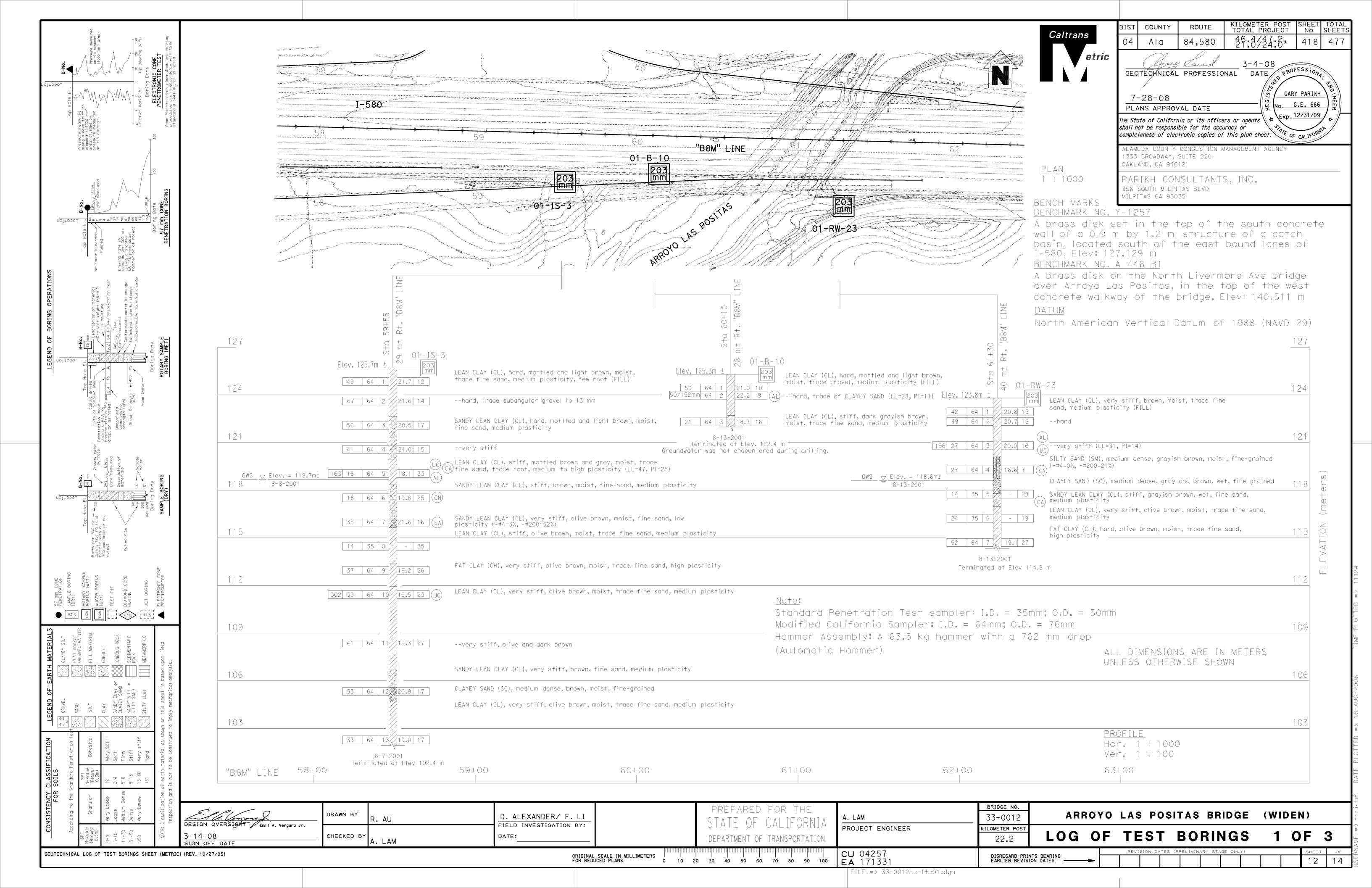


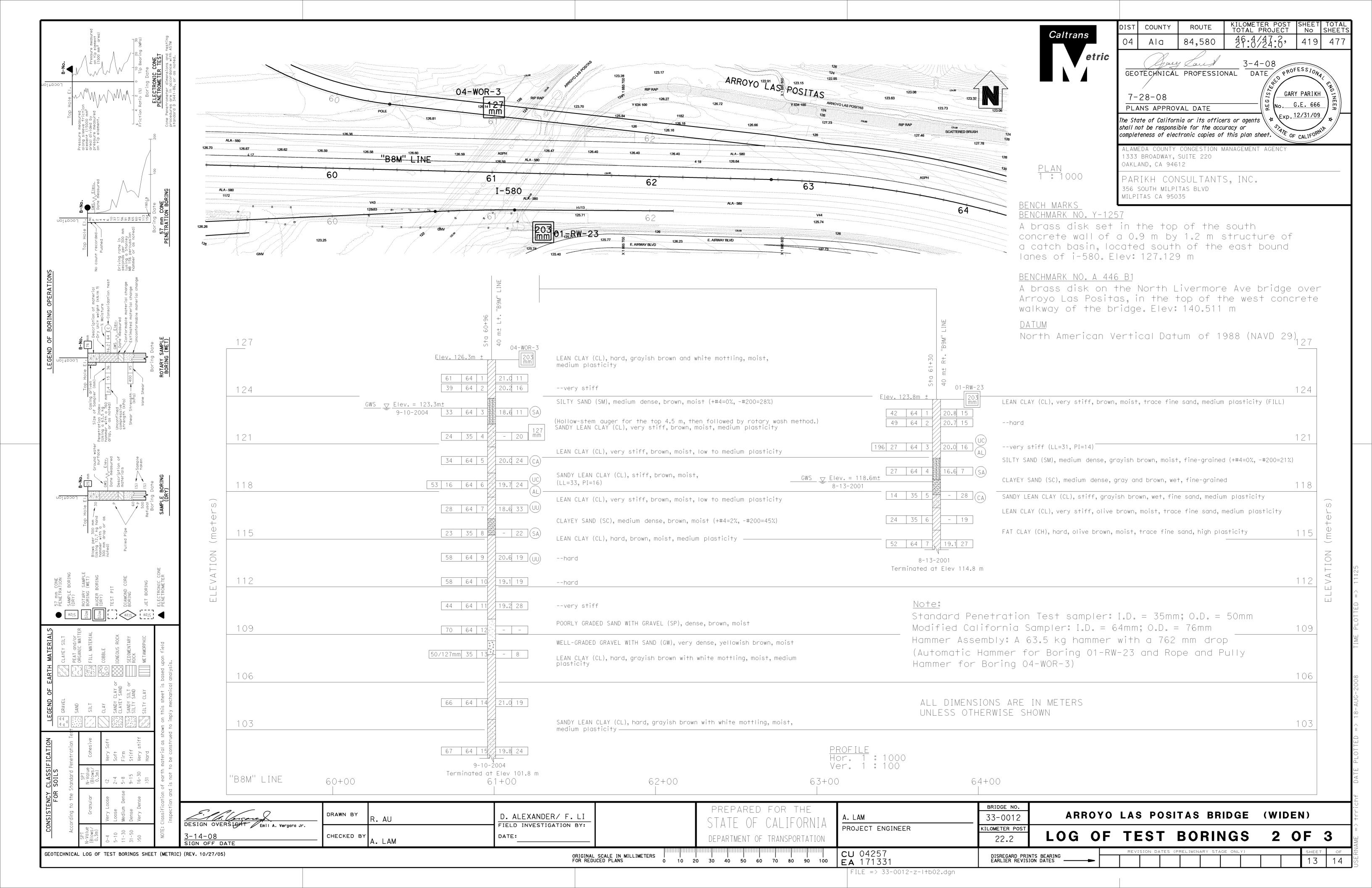
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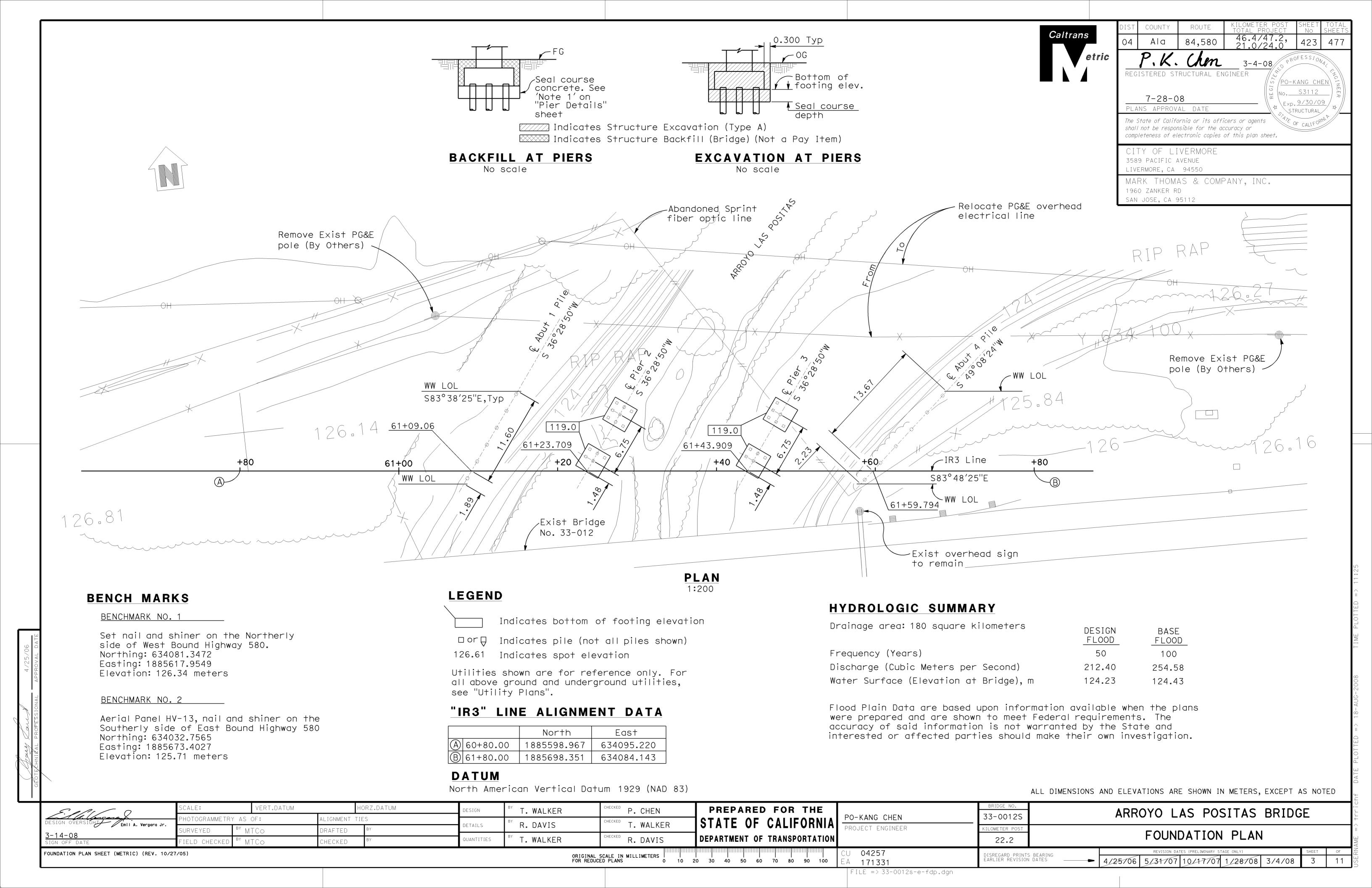
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APPENDIX B

Shea Homes Geotechnical Report

SUPPLEMENTAL GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION SAGE RESIDENTIAL PROJECT – TRACT 8121 PORTOLA AVENUE LIVERMORE, CALIFORNIA

FOR SHEA HOMES April 1, 2013

Job No. 3498.100

Via E-mail and Mail

April 1, 2013 Job No. 3498.100 Berlogar Stevens & Associates

Mr. David Best Shea Homes 2580 Shea Center Drive Livermore, California 94551

Subject:

Supplemental Geotechnical Investigation

Sage Residential Project-Tract 8121

Portola Avenue

Livermore, California

Dear Mr. Best:

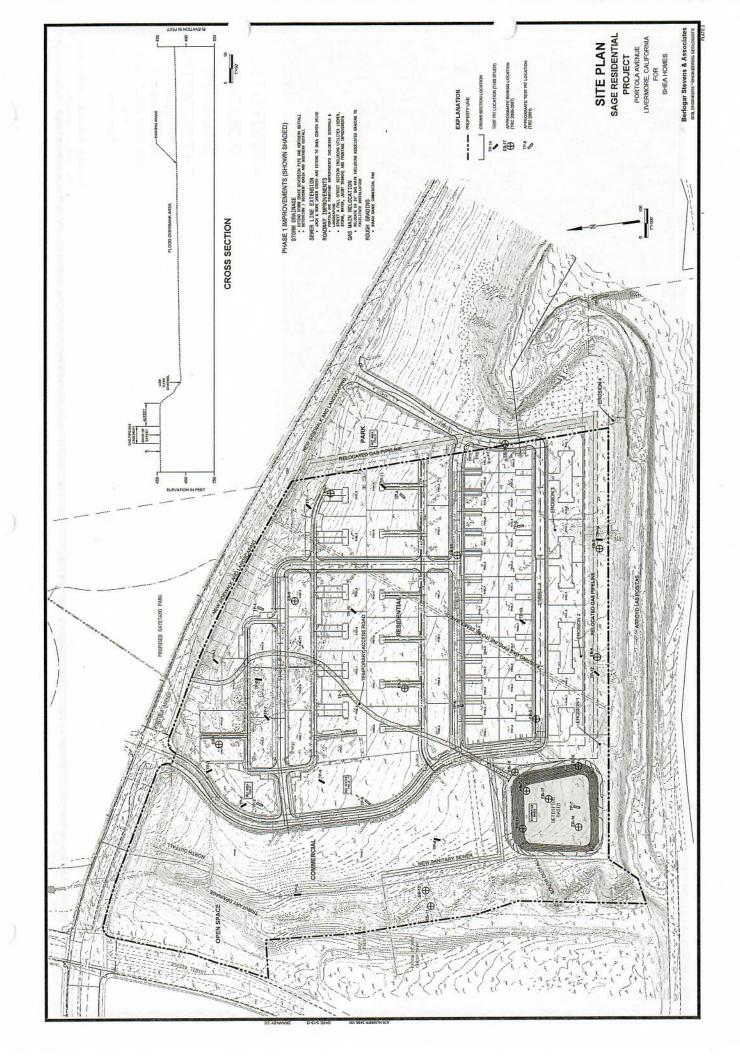
INTRODUCTION

Berlogar Stevens & Associates (BSA) has completed a supplemental geotechnical investigation for the Sage residential project in Livermore, California. The site is located between Portola Avenue and Highway 580, east of Isabel Drive as shown on Plate 1, Vicinity Map. A Geotechnical Investigation report has been prepared by TRC dated December 14, 2007. Our report presents the results of our investigation and provides updated recommendations for the design and construction of the subject project. Recommendations in this report are based on the following preliminary drawings provided by MacKay & Somps:

- Preliminary grading plan emailed to us on 3/4/13.
- Phase 1 Improvement Exhibit dated 2/14/13.
- Grading and Improvement Plans, Storm Drain Outfall dated February 2013.
- Gas Line Relocation, 2/21/13.
- Preliminary Earthwork (cut and fill map), 3/22/13.

The subject property is an approximately 59 acre site, of which approximately 37-acres on the east side will contain the Sage residential project. Approximately 3.5 acres on the southwest corner will be rezoned for a detention pond, as shown on Plate 2, Site Plan. The remainder is currently zoned commercial and has no specific uses that are yet defined. The residential component will be 2- and 3-story, multi-family residential structures. Grading for this project will involve cuts up to about 25 feet deep and fills up to 20 feet thick. The project will be graded in two or more phases, with Phase 1 (outlined on Plate 2) planned for the near future consisting of the following:

- 1. Sheet grading the commercial portion located along the western side of the site.
- Constructing an approximately 10-foot deep, 300-foot square detention basin with a 15-foot wide gravel maintenance road around the perimeter. A south outfall into a tributary drainage channel will be constructed with approximately 200 feet of 24-inch diameter storm drain pipe



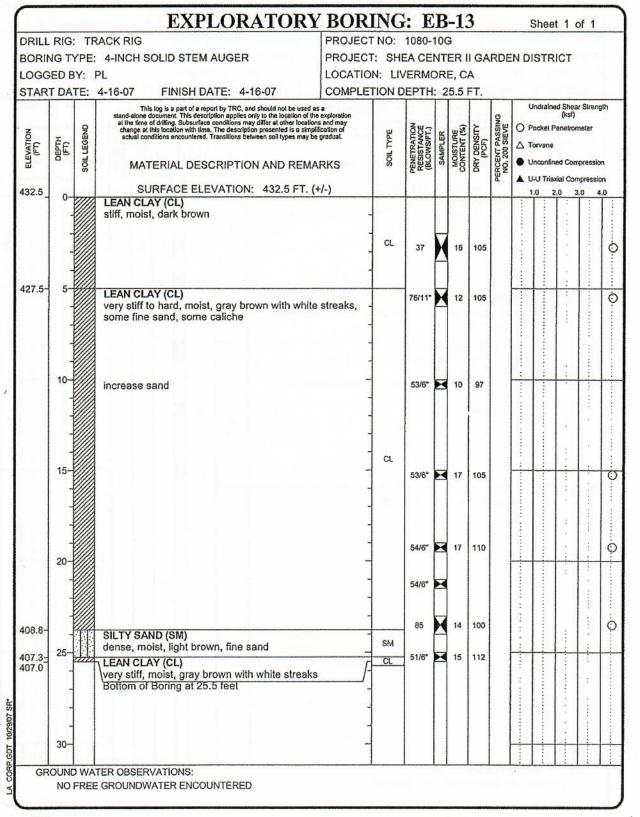
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