

# Geotechnical Design Memorandum

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Project:	Jane Byrne (Circle) Interchange Reconstruction – Chicago, Illinois
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#### Introduction

The existing Quincy Monument (Obelisk) at Quincy Street just west of I-94 will be relocated to Greektown's Elysian Plaza at the southeast corner of Halsted and Van Buren Streets as part of the Jane Byrne (Circle) Interchange reconstruction project. Other structures such as high mast lighting and flag poles will also be provided at the plaza which will attain about 6,000 square feet of space after construction of new Wall 39. The plaza concept drawings are shown in Appendix A.

This Geotechnical Design Memorandum provides preliminary foundation recommendations for supporting the proposed relocated Quincy Monument, high mast tower, and flag poles.

#### MONUMENT FOUNDATION OPTIONS

Geotechnical evaluations were undertaken using geotechnical information from previously drilled Borings 2081-B-01, 39-VST-01, 39-RWB-01, and 2055-B-01, for Wall 39, Halsted and Van Buren bridges. Boring locations are shown on Exhibit 1. Geotechnical soil profile in Exhibit 2; Boring logs in Appendix B.

Drilled shafts and spread footing foundation options were considered to support the 46-foot high Quincy Monument.

#### **Drilled Shafts**

For the deep foundation option we considered one drilled shaft of about 6-foot diameter with the base established at a minimum depth of 60 feet (from about 595 feet to 535 feet elevation) with a minimum 5 feet embedment into the stiff to hard clay layer. The stiff clay at 535 feet elevation has a factored unit base resistance of 4000 psf. Shafts designed based on this capacity are estimated to have less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch total settlement.

The final shaft length will be based on the lateral loading analyses to be performed by the structural engineer. The recommended soil parameters to be used for lateral load analysis are shown in Table 1. The soil parameter values are the same as the ones developed previously for Wall 39, except the upper level values from 580.5 feet to 595.0 feet elevation have been added. A sketch of the drilled shaft option is presented on Exhibit 2.



	(Borings 39-RWB-01, 39-VST-01, and 2055-B-01) Moist Shear Strength Properties Estimated										
	Moist Unit	Shear	U	Long Term	Estimated Lateral Soil	Estimated					
Layer Elevations/	Weight	Cohesion	Friction	Friction	Modulus	Soil Strain					
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	(pcf)	(psf)	(Degree)	(Degree)	n (per)	050					
595.0 <sup>(1)</sup> to 587.9	- ^		-								
Granular Fill	120	0	30	30	50						
587.9 to 583.0	115	1500	0	20	<b>7</b> 00	0.007					
Silty Clay Loam	115	1500	0	29	500	0.007					
583.0 to 580.5	110	820	0	28	100	0.010					
Silty Clay Loam	110	820	0	28	100	0.010					
580.5 to 562.9	110	560	0	28	100	0.010					
Clay to Silty Clay	110	500	0	28	100	0.010					
562.9 to 558.9	115	950	0	29	100	0.010					
Clay to Silty Clay	115	)50	0	2)	100	0.010					
558.9 to 554.9	110	820	0	28	100	0.010					
Clay to Silty Clay	110	020			100	0.010					
554.9 to 544.1	115	1400	0	29	500	0.007					
Clay to Silty Clay	-		-	-							
544.1 to 538.9	120	2500	0	20	1000	0.005					
Silty Clay to Silty Clay Loam	120	2500	0	30	1000	0.005					
538.9 to 530.1											
Silty Clay Loam to	125	5000	0	30	2000	0.004					
Silty Loam	125	5000	0	50	2000	0.004					
530.1 to 521.8											
Silty Clay to Silty	120	3000	0	30	1000	0.005					
Clay Loam											
521.8 to 506.8	105	7000	0	20	2000	0.004					
Silty Clay Loam	125	7000	0	30	2000	0.004					
506.8 to 501.5	125	0	37	37	55						
Sandy Gravel	123	0	51	57							
501.5 to 490.0 <sup>(2)</sup>											
Silty Clay Loam to	120	2400	0	30	1000	0.005					
Silty Loam											

Table 1: Recommended Soil Parameters for Laterally Loaded Drilled Shaft Analysis
(Borings 39-RWB-01, 39-VST-01, and 2055-B-01)

<sup>(1)</sup>Finished grade elevation <sup>(2)</sup>Boring termination depth <sup>(3)</sup>Based on L-Pile Technical Manual 2012



#### Spread Footings

A spread footing foundation with an allowable bearing pressure of 2000 psf, as per the original Quincy Monument foundation design was considered. Based on the schematic drawings, the 13.8 by 13.8 feet spread footing will be established at 9.5 feet below the finished grade (584 feet elevation). The monument is 25 feet behind Wall 39. We assume Wall 39 will be constructed and fully backfilled to a finished elevation of about 595 feet prior to constructing the spread footings. Due to the depth of excavation, an earth retention system will be needed to install the footings and wall. Proposed spread footing cross section is shown in Exhibit 3, and the existing Quincy foundation details are as per sheets A-1, A-14 and S-2 in Appendix C.

Based on the soils profile, the bottom of the footing at Elevation 584 feet will be installed on top of medium stiff to soft clay. The clay is normally consolidated and is susceptible to large settlements. In order to clear this option, further investigation is recommended through an additional boring with in-situ testing. The proximity of the spread footing to the proposed Wall 39 may generate an additional lateral load of 240 psf on the wall bottom (578 feet Elevation) and a maximum lateral load of 375 psf (566 feet elevation), using the UPRR/BNSF Guidelines 2004.

The benefits of drilled shafts with respect to the spread footings are as follows:

- Drilled shaft has a smaller foundation foot print and can be installed directly from the finished grade without the need for shoring,
- No lateral stresses are transferred to adjacent Wall 39,
- Bearing foundation soils for the shaft are not susceptible to settlement since they bear upon the very stiff to hard clay layer,
- Drill shaft contractor will be already mobilized in the area.

#### **Recommended Foundation Type**

Wang recommends the drilled shaft option as the preferred foundation system for the Quincy Monument.

#### **OTHER STRUCTURES**

For the proposed High Mast Light Pole Tower (HMLT), we recommend estimating the minimum depth for drilled shaft in accordance with the IDOT Design Guide AGMU Memo 11.1 – Shaft Overturning and Torsion Analysis. If the minimum required shaft depth determined according to the AGMU Memo 11.1 terminates within the soft silty clay layer or above elevation 540 feet, a lateral load shaft analysis via p-y curve shall be performed using the parameters presented in Table 1 to confirm moment and displacement fixity of the shaft base.

For the proposed four flag poles, standard galvanized steel sleeve encased in concrete filled tube provided by the manufacturer may be acceptable subject to approval by the client. They should have a support plate and lightning ground spike at the bottom of the shaft. We anticipate the presence of granular fill within the top 8 feet in this area to provide sufficient foundation capacity.



#### CONSTRUCTION

During drilled shaft installation, casing will be necessary to prevent shaft squeeze within the soft clay layers and the collapse of intermittent water bearing layers. The required length and type of casing shall be determined by the contractor based on actual field conditions.

For the shallow foundations, the earth retention system depths may be designed using the parameters on Table 1. The design shall consider the impact of excavation on local slope stability as well as potential for bottom heaving since the soft clay is close to the bottom of the excavation.



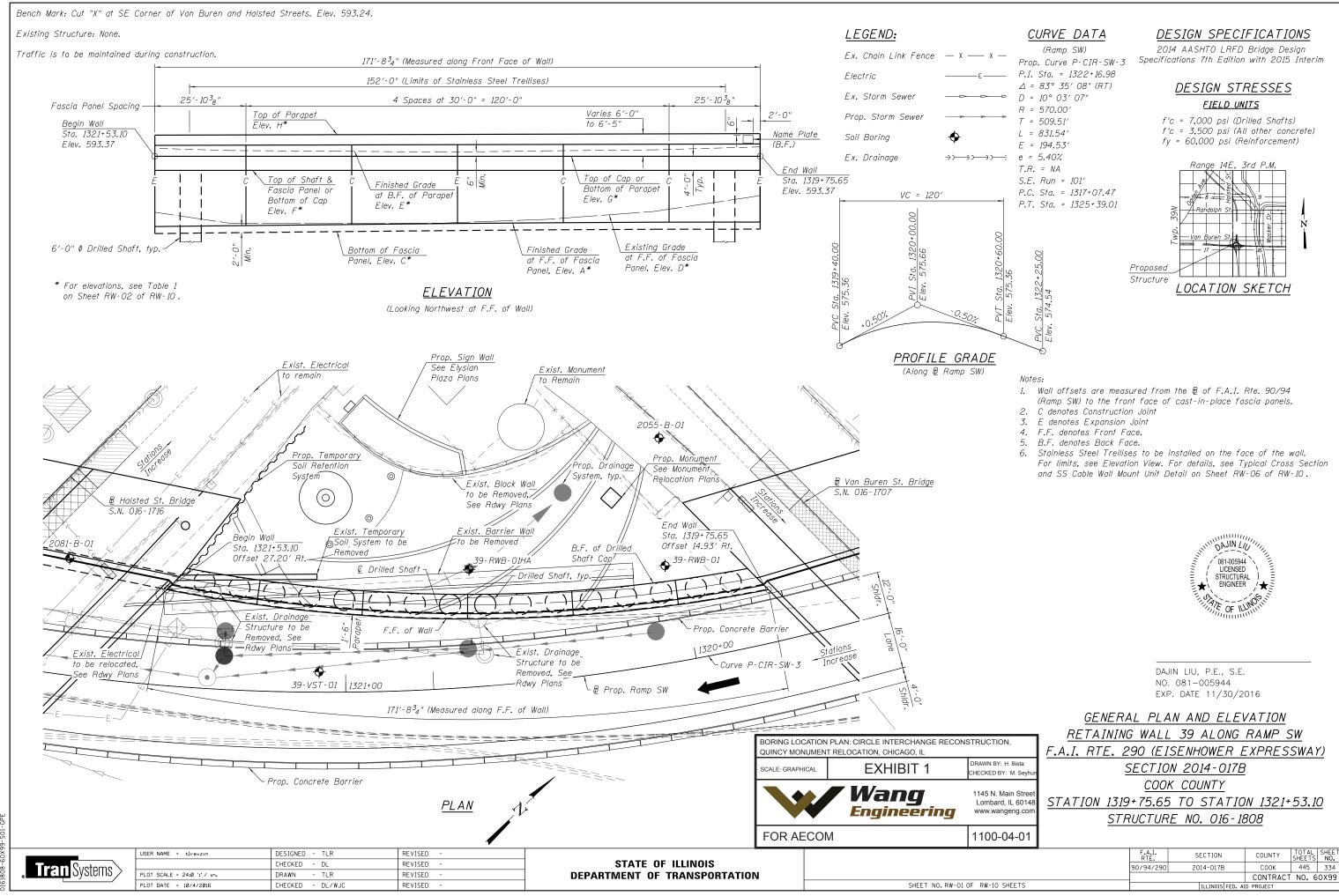
Attachments:

Exhibit 1 – Boring Location Plan Exhibit 2 – Soil Profile Exhibit 3 – Spread Footing Cross Section Appendix A – Elysian Plaza Phase II Concept Drawings Appendix B – Boring Logs Appendix C – Quincy Foundation Details

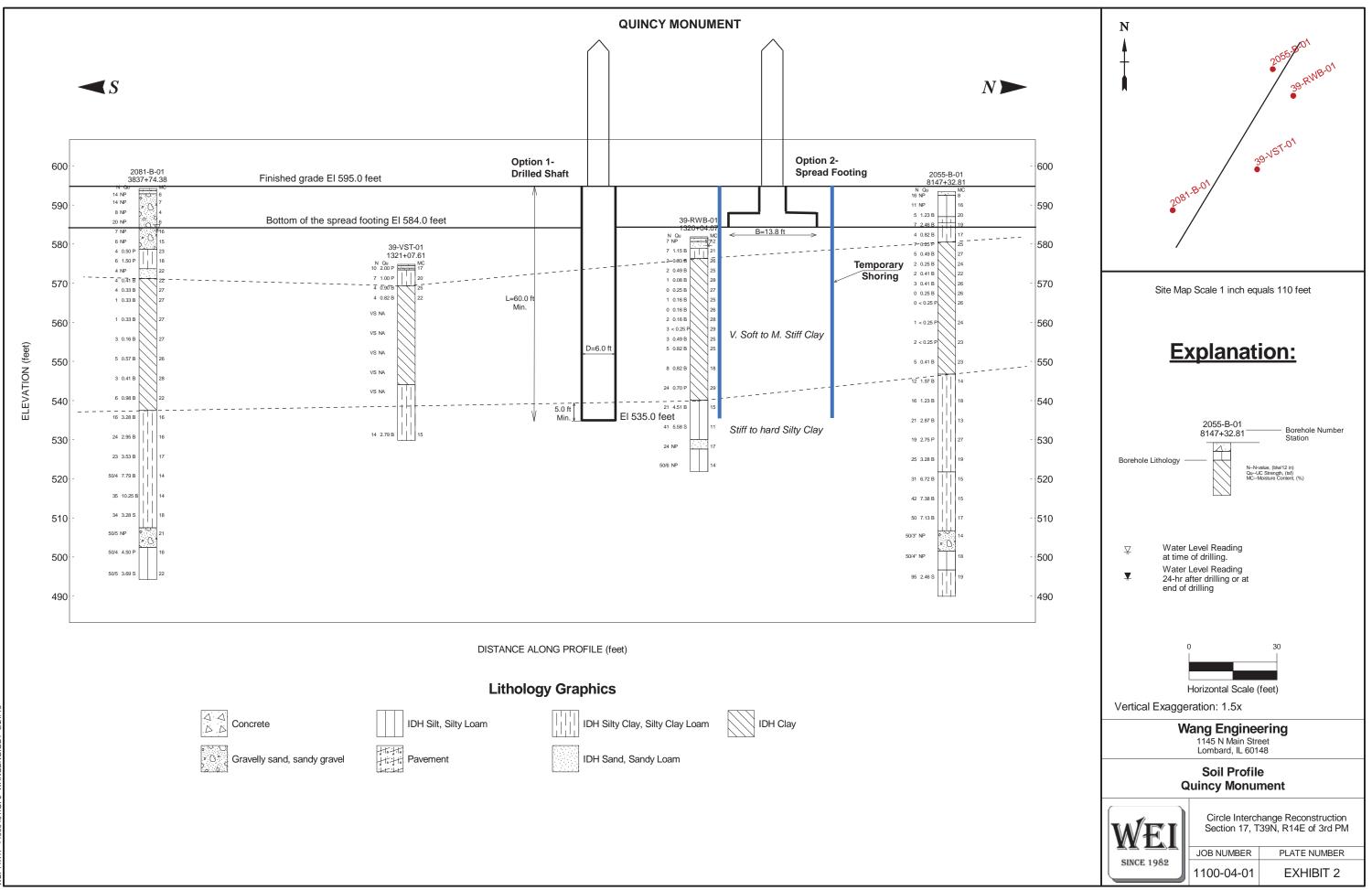
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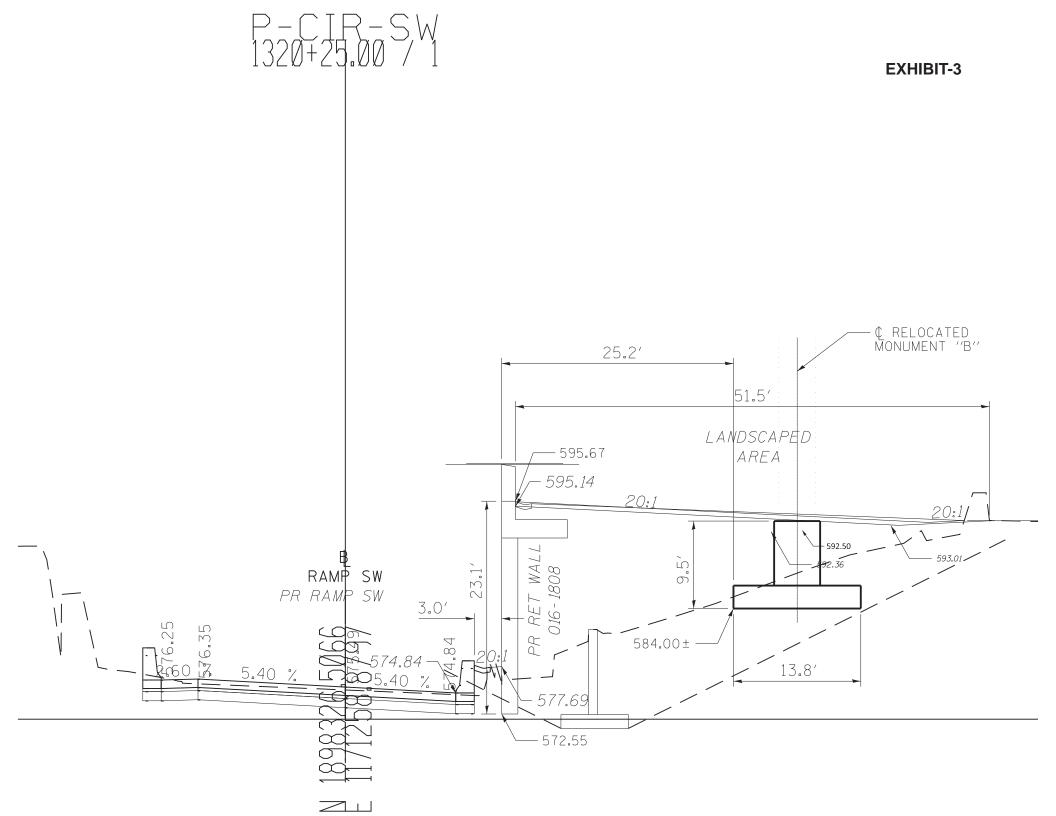


#### **EXHIBITS**



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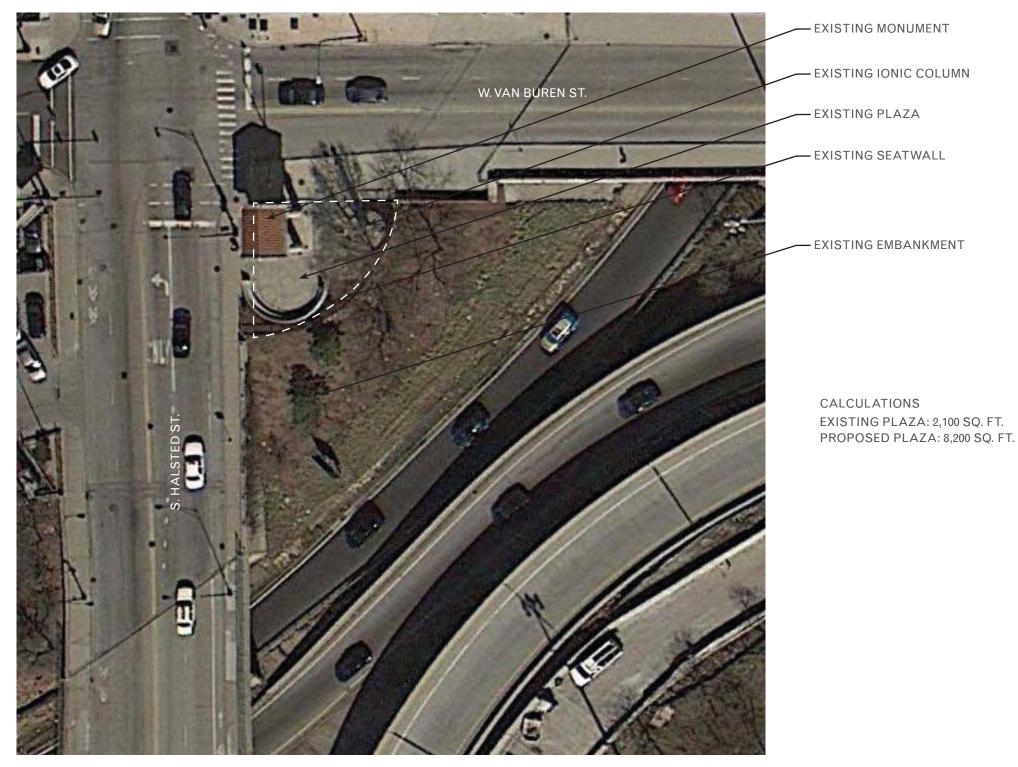
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# **EXISTING CONDITIONS**

prior to start of construction



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# ELYSIAN PLAZA PHASE II CONCEPT



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# ELYSIAN PLAZA PHASE II CONCEPT



PHASE II: SOUTHEAST VIEW

1" = 30'-0"

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# ELYSIAN PLAZA PHASE II CONCEPT

## MATERIAL PALETTE



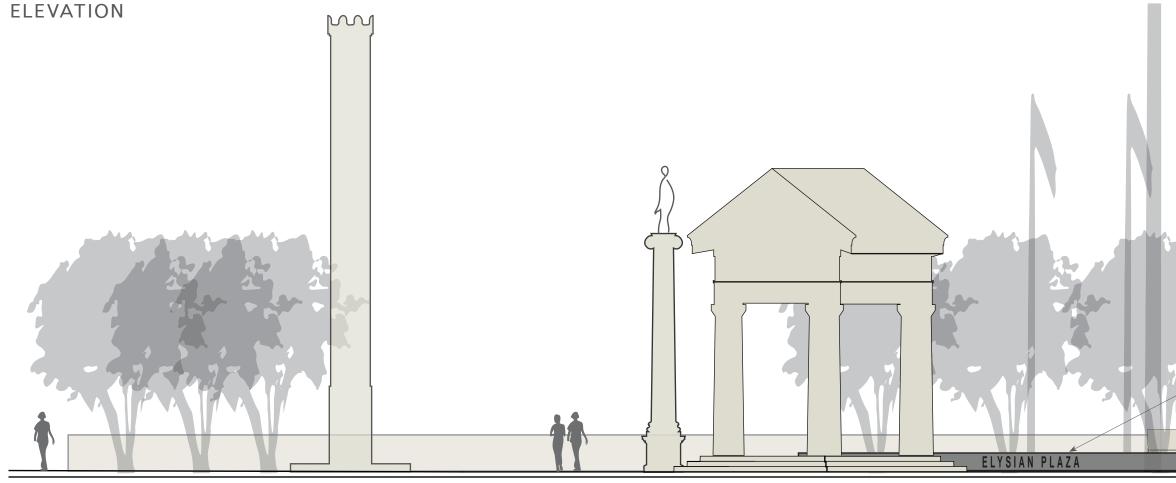




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LOW GROUNDCOVER: Origanum vulgare 'Aureum', Golden Oregano

MULT-STEM ORNAMENTAL TREES Amelanchier arborea, Serviceberry



CIRCLE INTERCHANGE - HALSTED AND VAN BUREN | CHICAGO, ILLINOIS Landscape Enhancements | Project Number: 7191 888 south michigan avenue | suite 1000 | chicago, illinois 60605 312.427.7240 tel 312.427.7241 fax | www.site-design.com

**4**5′

**•** 38′

**�** 30′

**•** 25'

24" HIGH ELYSIAN PLAZA SIGN - PRELIMINARY DESIGN, PENDING STRUCTURAL APPROVAL

WELCOME SIGN

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# PHASE II: GREEKTOWN WELCOME SIGN CONCEPT

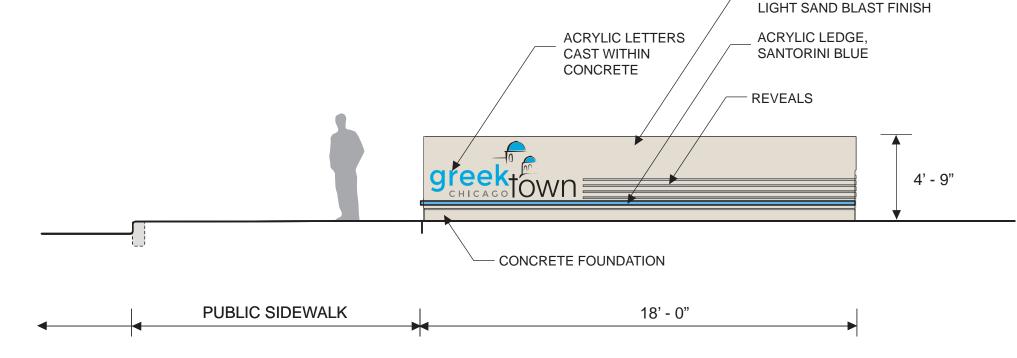
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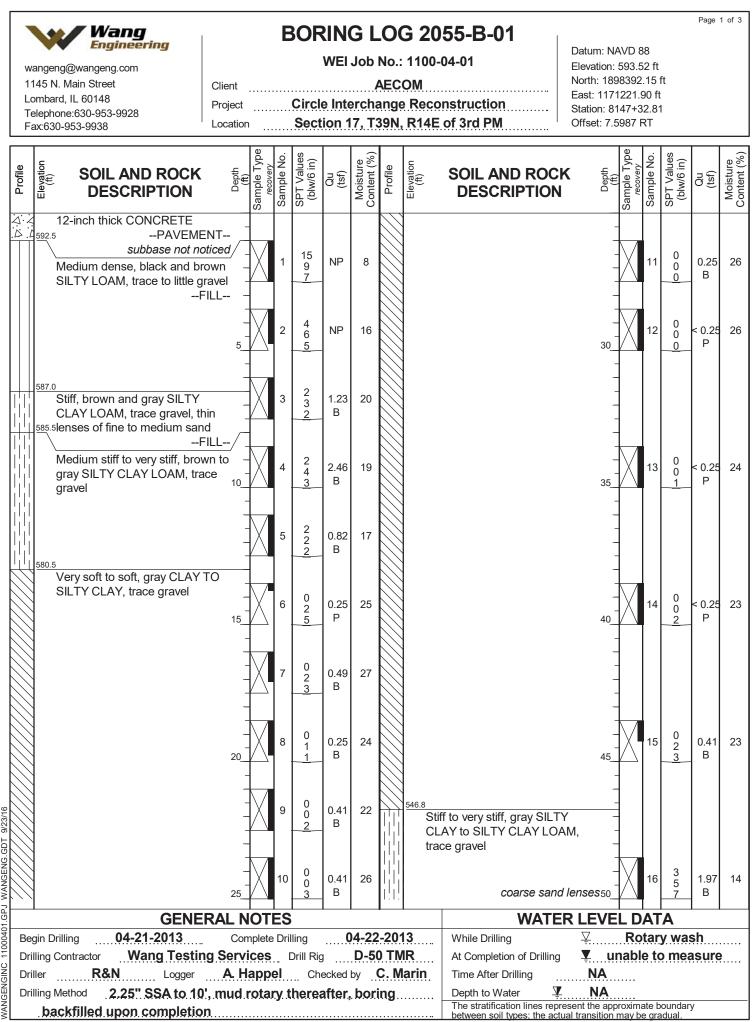
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## **APPENDIX B**



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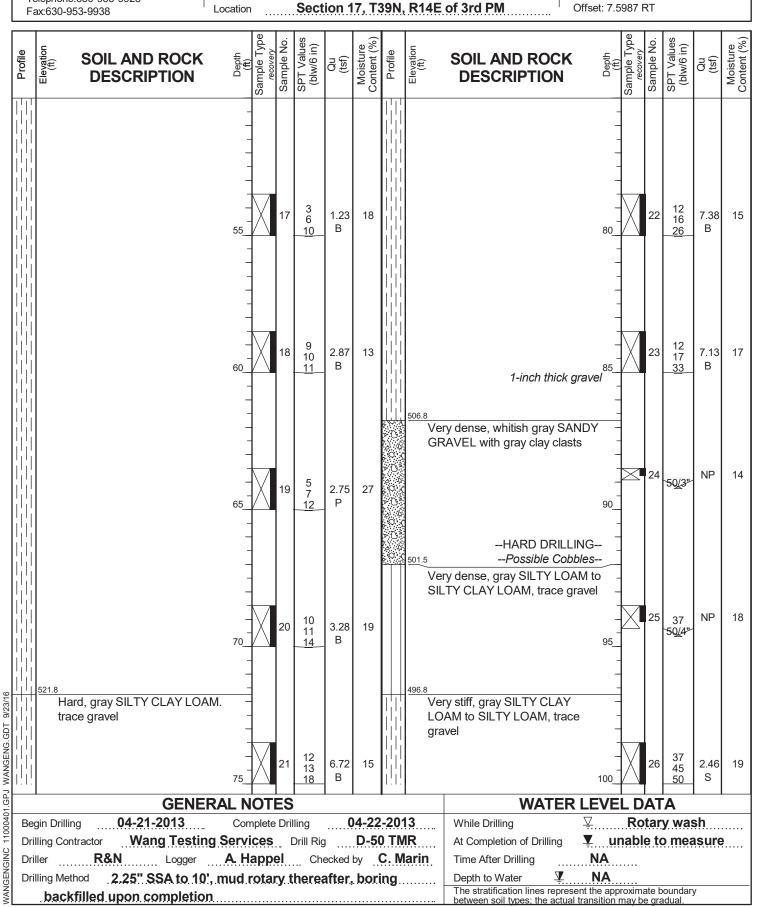
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#### AECOM Circle Interchange Reconstruction

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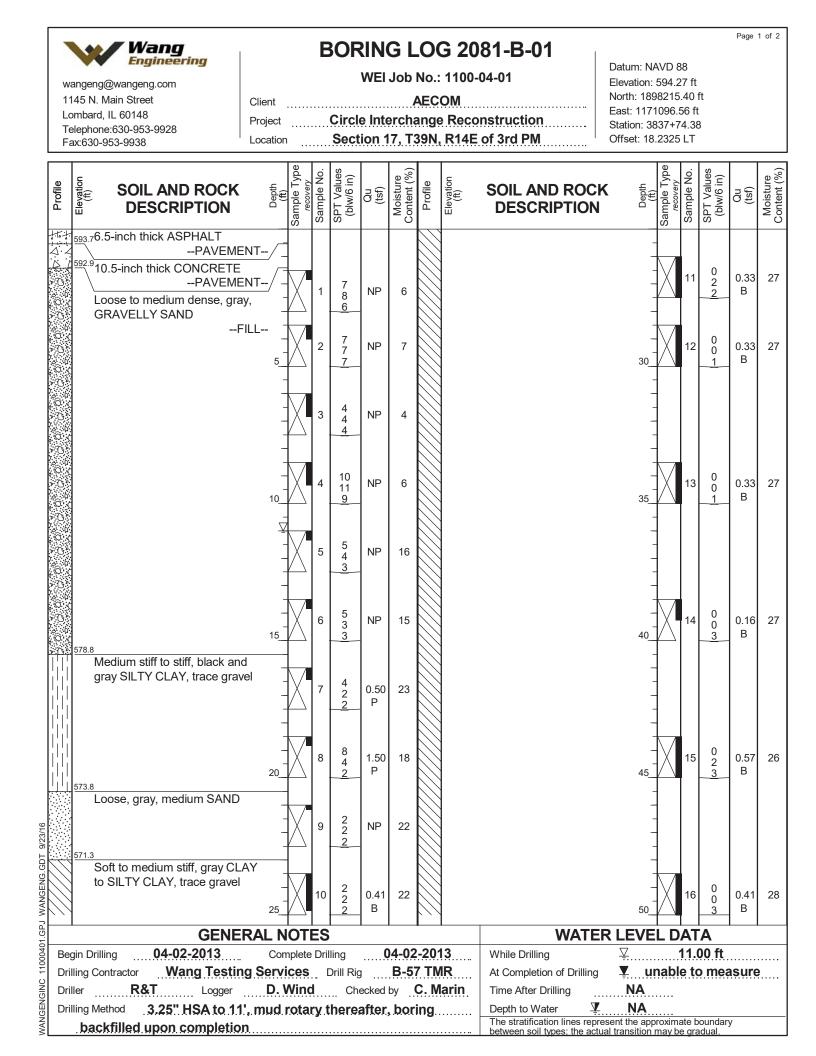
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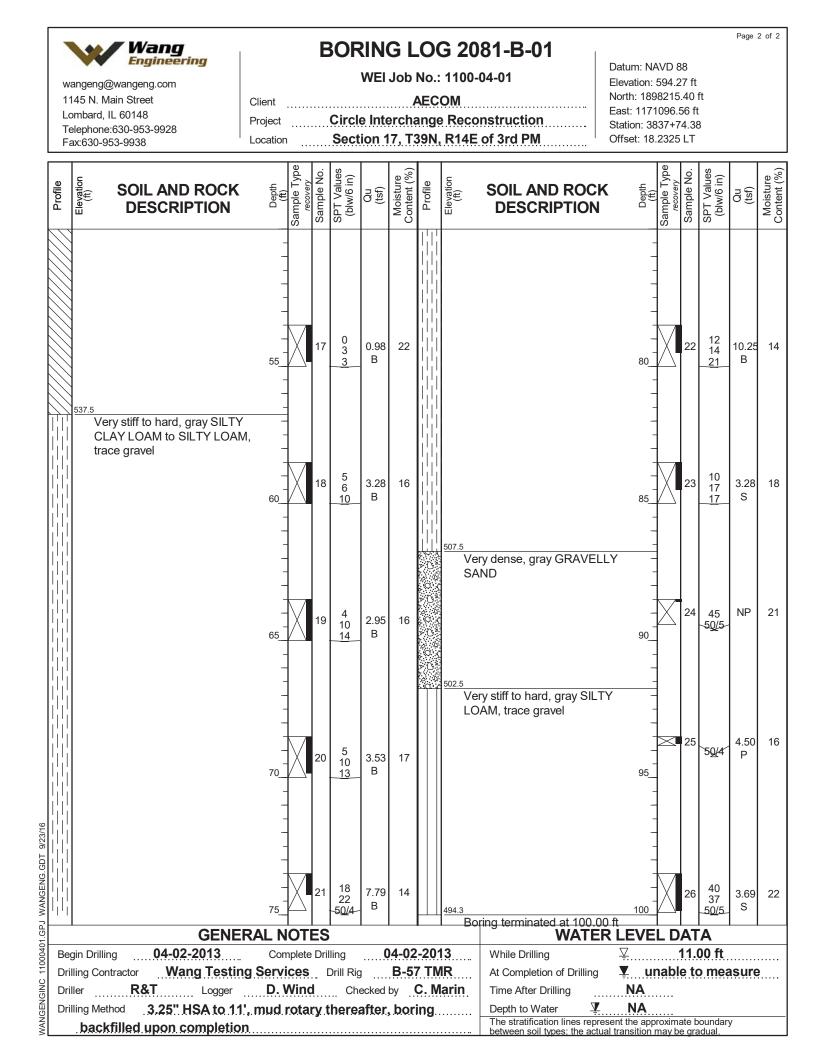
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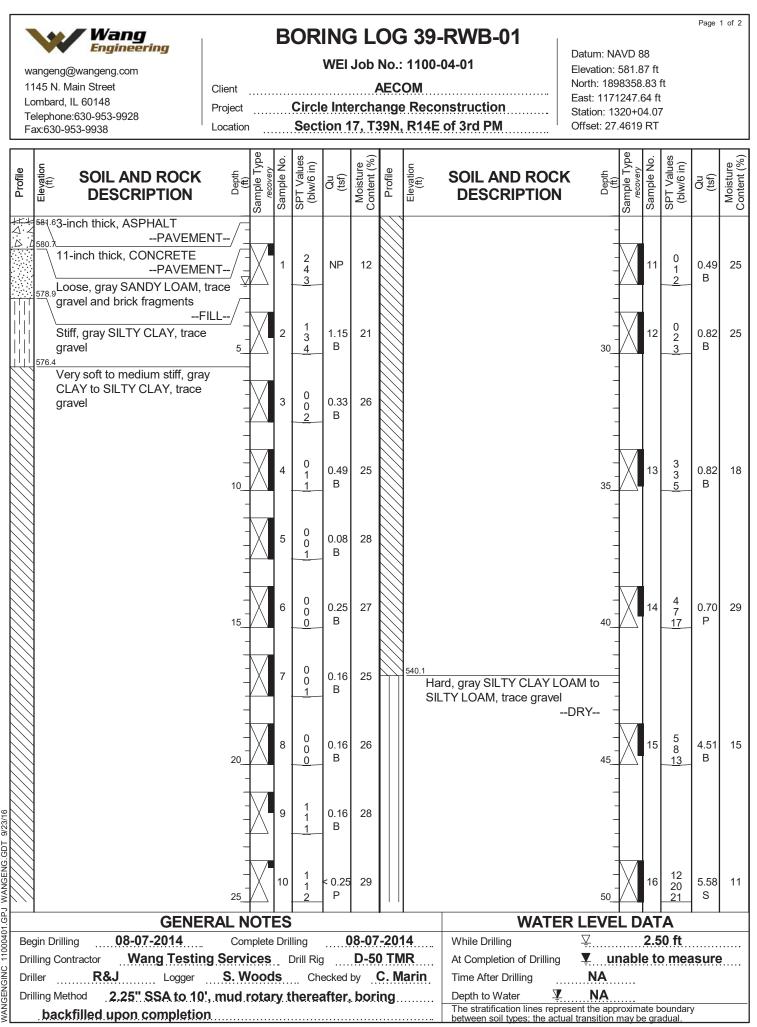
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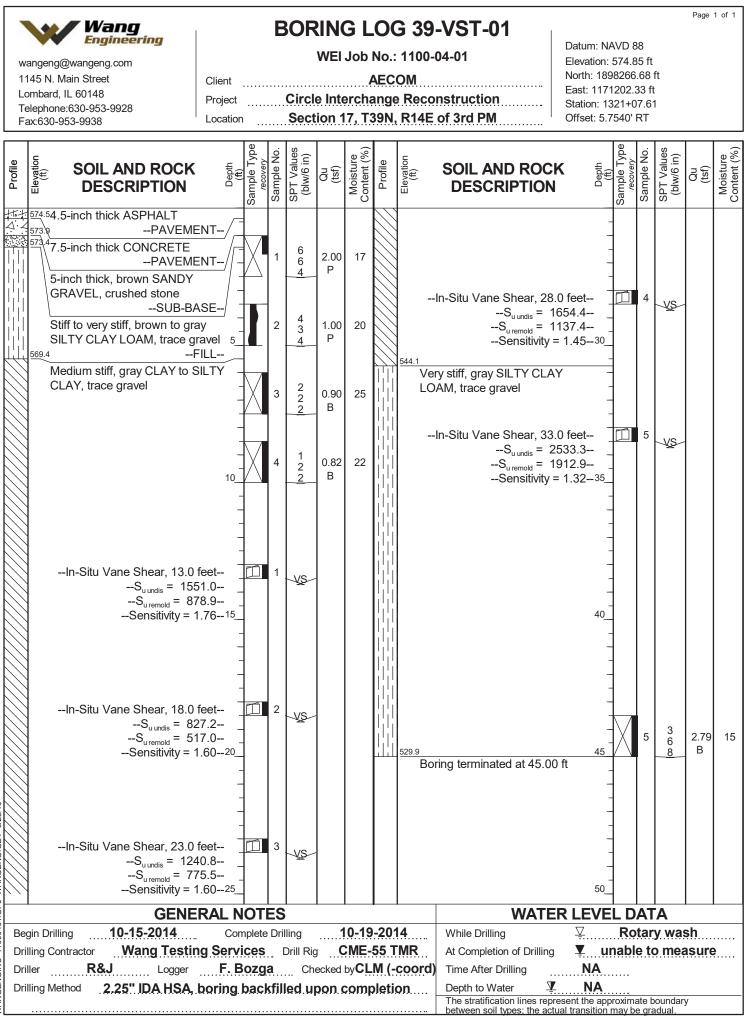
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# Client AECOM Project Circle Interchange Reconstruction Location Section 17, T39N, R14E of 3rd PM

Datum: NAVD 88 Elevation: 581.87 ft North: 1898358.83 ft East: 1171247.64 ft Station: 1320+04.07 Offset: 27.4619 RT

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## **APPENDIX C**

