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Franklin, TX

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Hi Jana,

I have read the draft report for Oak Grove SES and I agree with the recommendations included in the draft report.

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The Texas Dam Safety Program has no comments as the structures are not covered by the dam safety regulations.

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**United States Environmental Protection Agency  
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## 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1. GENERAL

In response to the coal combustion waste (CCW) impoundment failure at the TVA/Kingston coal-fired electric generating station in December of 2008, the Environmental Protection Agency has initiated a nationwide program of structural integrity and safety assessments of CCW impoundments or “management units”. A CCW management unit is defined as a surface impoundment or similar diked or bermed management unit or management units designated as landfills that receive liquid-borne material and are used for the storage or disposal of residuals or by-products from the combustion of coal, including, but not limited to, fly ash, bottom ash, boiler slag, or flue gas emission control residuals. Management units also include inactive impoundments that have not been formally closed in compliance with applicable federal or state closure/reclamation regulations.

The U.S. EPA has authorized O’Brien & Gere to provide site specific impoundment assessments at selected facilities. This project is being conducted in accordance with the terms of BPA# EP10W000673, Order EP-B12S-00065, dated July 18, 2012.

### 1.2. PROJECT PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this work is to provide Dam Safety Assessment of CCW management units, including the following:

- Identify conditions that may adversely affect the structural stability and functionality of a management unit and its appurtenant structures
- Note the extent of deterioration, status of maintenance, and/or need for immediate repair
- Evaluate conformity with current design and construction practices
- Determine the hazard potential classification for units not currently classified by the management unit owner or by state or federal agencies

O’Brien & Gere’s scope of services for this project includes performing a site specific dam safety assessment of all CCW management units at the subject facility. Specifically, the scope includes the following tasks:

- Perform a review of pertinent records (prior inspections, engineering reports, drawings, etc.) made available at the time of the site visit (or shortly thereafter) to review previously documented conditions and safety issues and gain an understanding of the original design and modifications of the facility.
- Perform a site visit and visual inspection of each CCW management unit and complete the visual inspection checklist to document conditions observed.
- Perform an evaluation of the adequacy of the outlet works, structural stability, quality and adequacy of the management unit’s inspection, maintenance, and operations procedures.
- Identify critical infrastructure within 5 miles down gradient of management units.
- Evaluate the risks and effects of potential overtopping and evaluate effects of flood loading on the management units.
- Immediate notification of conditions requiring emergency or urgent corrective action.
- Identify all environmental permits issued for the management units
- Identify all leaks, spills, or releases of any kind from the management units within the last 5 years.

- Prepare a report summarizing the findings of the assessment, conclusions regarding the safety and structural integrity, recommendations for maintenance and corrective action, and other action items as appropriate.

This report addresses the above issues for the FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds at the ~~Luminant Generation Co., LLC~~ Oak Grove Steam Electric Station near Franklin, TX. This power generation facility is owned and operated by ~~Luminant Generation Co., LLC~~ (Luminant). In the course of this assessment, O'Brien & Gere obtained information from Luminant representatives.

Oak Grove Management Co., LLC, a  
subsidiary of Luminant Holding  
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## 2. PROJECT/FACILITY DESCRIPTION

The Oak Grove Steam Electric Station (SES) is located near Franklin, Robertson County, Texas (see Figure 1 for location plan). The generating facility has two operating units with a combined capacity of 1,600 MW. Construction of the Oak Grove facility began in 1979, the owner of the facility at that time was Texas Utilities (TXU) and the site was known as “Twin Oaks”. Due to a significant drop in electricity demand, the plant was mothballed before construction could be completed. Construction re-commenced in 2007 and the facility became fully operational in 2010. The plant burns lignite mined at the Luminant-owned Kosse Mine located approximately 15 miles from the Oak Grove SES.

All flyash generated at the facility is handled in a dry manner. It is collected ~~through electrostatic precipitators and pneumatically conveyed to bag houses, then~~ silos before it is ~~transported off site~~. Bottom ash is also handled dry by drag chains to conveyor belts and ultimately transported off site via trucks. The CCW stored at the site is primarily wastewater from the facility’s flue gas desulphurization (FGD) system wet scrubber blowdown, though the facility is permitted to also receive, metal cleaning waste, low volume wastewater, bottom ash contact water, and storm water runoff. Runoff from approximately 15 acres of the SES site can reportedly be pumped to the FGD-A Pond.

### 2.1 MANAGEMENT UNIT IDENTIFICATION

The location of the CCW impoundments inspected during this safety assessment is identified on Figures 1 and 2. The impoundments are identified as FGD-A Pond and FGD-B Pond. The embankments for both impoundments were constructed with on-site borrow materials. FGD-A Pond was partially constructed during the initial construction phase but was not completed at that time. It was completed before the 2010 opening of the Oak Grove Steam Electric Station. Construction of FGD-B Pond was completed in 2012.

FGD-A Pond has a surface area of approximately 9.4 acres, it is used as the primary unit, while FGD-B Pond (11.3 acres) is used when there is maintenance on FGD-A Pond, or if FGD-A is otherwise out of service. The ponds are covered by a Texas State Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) permit (Permit No. WQ0001986000). There is, however, no passive discharge structure from the ponds and site personnel indicate that due to evaporation and water management, the ponds have never discharged any of their contents. If necessary, FGD-A Pond contents can overflow/decant to FGD-B Pond through a 12-inch pipe. FGD-B Pond contents must be pumped to FGD-A Pond. Water can be recycled from FGD-A Pond back to the SES through a pumping station located near the northeast corner of the Pond.

### 2.2. HAZARD POTENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

The State of Texas classifies dams or embankments in accordance with Title 30 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC), Chapter 299, Dams and Reservoirs. The regulations are administrated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), Texas Dam Safety Program. The TCEQ Dam Safety program regulations apply to “*design, review, and approval of construction plans and specifications; and construction, operation and maintenance, inspection, repair, removal, emergency management, site security, and enforcement of dams that:*

1. *have a height greater than or equal to 25 feet and a maximum storage capacity greater than or equal to 15 acre-feet, as described in paragraph (2) of this subsection;*
2. *have a height greater than 6 feet and a maximum storage capacity greater than or equal to 50 acre-feet;*
3. *are a high- or significant-hazard dam as defined in §299.14 of this title (relating to Hazard Classification Criteria), regardless of height or maximum storage capacity; or*
4. *are used as a pumped storage or terminal storage facility.*

Dam and embankment hazard classifications are established by 30 TAC §299.14 and provide standards regarding impoundment facility structure classification:

*The executive director shall classify dams for hazard based on either potential loss of human life or property damage, in the event of failure or malfunction of the dam or appurtenant structures, within affected developments, that are existing at the time of the classification. The hazard classification may include use of a breach analysis that addresses the incremental impact of the potential breach over and above the impact of the flood that may have caused the breach, as defined in §299.15(a)(4)(A)(i) of this title (relating to Hydrologic and Hydraulic Criteria for Dams). The classification must be according to the following.*

- (1) *Low. A dam in the low-hazard potential category has:*
  - (A) *no loss of human life expected (no permanent habitable structures in the breach inundation area downstream of the dam); and*
  - (B) *minimal economic loss (located primarily in rural areas where failure may damage occasional farm buildings, limited agricultural improvements, and minor highways as defined in §299.2(38) of this title (relating to Definitions)).*
- (2) *Significant. A dam in the significant-hazard potential category has:*
  - (A) *loss of human life possible (one to six lives or one or two habitable structures in the breach inundation area downstream of the dam); or*
  - (B) *appreciable economic loss, located primarily in rural areas where failure may cause:*
    - (i) *damage to isolated homes;*
    - (ii) *damage to secondary highways as defined in §299.2(58);*
    - (iii) *damage to minor railroads; or*
    - (iv) *interruption of service or use of public utilities, including the design purpose of the utility.*
- (3) *High. A dam in the high-hazard potential category has:*
  - (A) *loss of life expected (seven or more lives or three or more habitable structures in the breach inundation area downstream of the dam); or*
  - (B) *excessive economic loss, located primarily in or near urban areas where failure would be expected to cause extensive damage to:*
    - (i) *public facilities;*
    - (ii) *agricultural, industrial, or commercial facilities;*
    - (iii) *public utilities, including the design purpose of the utility;*
    - (iv) *main highways as defined in §299.2(33); or*
    - (v) *railroads used as a major transportation system.*

The TCEQ Dam Safety Program currently does not regulate the FGD Scrubber Ponds and therefore Hazard Potentials have not been previously designated. In the absence of a state-assigned classification, the FEMA guidelines, *Hazard Potential Classification System for Dams* (2004) have been applied in this assessment to recommend a hazard potential classification for the following impoundment. The definitions for the four hazard potentials (Less than Low, Low, Significant and High) to be used in this assessment are included in the EPA CCW checklist found in Appendix A.

Based on site evaluation, both units are considered **Low** Hazard Potential. This classification assumes that no probable loss of human life and low economic and/or environmental losses would occur in the event of a dam/embankment failure. The area that would potentially be inundated by a breach of any embankment of the FGD Scrubber Ponds is limited to property owned by Luminant. The potential exists for discharge to reach the Twin Oak Reservoir, which is also owned by Luminant. The Reservoir provides cooling water for the Oak Grove SES and is ~~used for recreation~~. It is not a water supply reservoir. The Twin Oak Reservoir has a reported storage capacity of 30,319 acre-feet. The volume of water and CCWs impounded in the FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds is

approximately 240 acre-feet (78.5 million gallons). Thus the quantity of a release from an embankment breach would represent less than 1% of total available reservoir storage and the environmental damage would be limited to the adjacent area in the western reach of the reservoir.

### 2.3. IMPOUNDING STRUCTURE DETAILS

The following sections summarize the structural components and basic operations of the subject impoundments. The impoundments are located to the northwest of the Oak Grove SES, the impoundments abut each other. The location of the impoundments on the plant grounds is shown on Figures 1 and 2.

#### 2.3.1. Embankment Configuration

##### FGD-A Pond

FGD-A Pond is approximately 9.4 acres in size. The impoundment is partially incised. The embankment's design crest elevation is EL. 449.5 and the designed bottom is at EL. 422.0. Embankment height varies, but is approximately 20 feet at the maximum section. The combined length of the impoundments embankments is approximately 2,400 feet. Construction of the impoundment began during the initial (1979) phase of construction of the Oak Grove SES and was completed prior to the SES being brought on-line in 2010. The designed slope of the inboard face is 2.5H:1V. A three-foot thick clay liner was installed on the embankment's inboard face. The clay liner and the embankment materials were excavated from on-site borrow areas. Portions of the inboard face are also covered by a high density polyethylene (HDPE) liner. A "dividing dike" extends approximately 300 feet westward from the eastern embankment approximately 200 feet south of the northern embankment. The dike provides separation from the inflow structure and pump station intake within the pond.

##### FGD-B Pond

FGD-B Pond is approximately 11.3 acres in size. The impoundment is partially incised. The embankment's design crest elevation is EL. 431.5 and the designed bottom varies from EL. 425.0 to EL. 416.0. Embankment height varies, but is approximately 10 feet at the maximum section. The designed inboard and outboard slopes are 3H:1V. The combined length of the impoundments embankments is approximately 3,000 feet. A two-foot thick clay liner is overlain by a 60-mil HDPE on the inboard slopes. The design also included one-foot of soil "protective cover" on top of the HDPE liner.

#### 2.3.2. Type of Materials Impounded

FGD scrubber waste is the primary material that is impounded in the FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds. The Ponds, however, are permitted to receive FGD wet scrubber blowdown, metal cleaning waste, low volume wastewater, bottom ash contact water, and storm water runoff. Thus trace amounts of the other waste-products may be detected in the Ponds.

#### 2.3.3. Outlet Works

FGD-A Pond is constructed with a 12-inch overflow/decant pipe that can discharge into FGD-B Pond. Flow through the pipe is controlled by a valve. The impoundment does not have a "passive" spillway system but water can be pumped from FGD-A Pond back to the Oak Grove SES through a pumping station located east of the impoundment. FGD-B Pond does not have a permanently installed outlet system. Portable pumps are used to pump wastewater from FGD-B into FGD-A when necessary.

### 3. RECORDS REVIEW

#### 3.1. GENERAL

A review of the available records related to design, construction, operation and inspection of the FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds was performed as part of this assessment. The documents provided by Luminant are listed below:

**Table 3.1** Summary of Documents Reviewed

Document	Dates	By	Description
FGD Scrubber Pond Cross Sections	Jun 24, 2008	<del>Flou</del> Enterprises, Inc.	Design sections for FGD-A Pond
Figure 2-1: FGD Scrubber Pond Liner Verification Sampling Plan	August 5, 2008	<del>Flou</del> Enterprises, Inc.	Soil sample locations for FGD-A Pond
Oak Grove SES. FGD Pond Soil Liner Evaluation Report. Robertson County, Texas.	November 17, 2008	Golder Associates, Inc.	Summary report of Golder's quality assurance services during subgrade prep and clay liner installation in FGD-A Pond
Oak Grove SES Groundwater. Water Level Data, 2-Yr. History	2009 - 2012	Luminant	Groundwater readings from 9 wells located near FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds
FGD-B Slope Stability Evaluation Report. Luminant Oak Grove SES	April 27, 2010	Golder Associates, Inc.	Summary report of slope stability analyses performed for the design of FGD-B Pond
FGD-A Slope Stability Evaluation Report. Luminant Oak Grove SES	March 2011	Golder Associates, Inc.	Summary report of slope stability analyses performed for FGD-A Pond
Luminant Oak Grove FGD-B Pond: Site Map with Monitoring Well Locations	March, 2011	Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC.	Site plan showing FGD-A Pond, FGD-B Pond and monitoring well locations
Critical Impoundment Inspection Report for Oak Grove SES	March 4, 2011	Luminant	Summary report of annual inspection of the FGD-A Pond by Luminant
Oak Grove Steam Electric Station. FGD-B Pond Construction. Robertson County, Texas.	September, 2011	Golder Associates, Inc.	Design Drawings for FGD-B Pond
Liner Evaluation Report. Oak Grove SES. FGD-B Pond. Golder Robertson County, Texas.	January 2012	Golder Associates, Inc.	Summary report of Golder's Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) services during construction of the composite liner for the FGD-B Pond
Oak Grove Steam Electric Station. Robertson County, Texas. Critical Impoundment Inspection Report	April 25, 2012	HDR Engineering	Summary report of annual inspection of the FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds

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#### 3.2. DESIGN DOCUMENTS

##### 3.2.1. General

Review of the available drawings and reports revealed the following:

- Construction of FGD-A Pond began during the initial construction phase of the Oak Grove SES but was not completed until 2008 during the second phase of plant construction.
- Golder Associates, Inc. provided third-party Construction Quality Assurance/Quality Control Plan (CQA/QCP) services during placement of the 3-foot thick clay liner on the inboard faces and floor of FGD-A Pond.

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- The subgrade to the liner was inspected and its condition approved by Golder prior to placement of the clay liner.
- The liner was reported to have been placed in accordance with the project plans and specifications. The in-place hydraulic conductivity of the liner is reported to be no greater than  $1.0 \times 10^{-7}$  centimeters per second (cm/sec).
- Data pertaining to foundation preparation or condition for construction of the Pond's embankments was not provided in the Golder report.
- Construction of FGD-B Pond began in 2011 and was completed in 2012.
- Golder Associates, Inc. provided third-party Construction Quality Assurance (CQA) monitoring and testing services during construction of the embankments and the composite liner for the FGD-B Pond.
  - Golder approved the subgrade (foundation) preparation prior to the placement of structural fill or liner material.
  - The composite liner was reported to have been placed in accordance with the project plans, specifications and Quality Control Plan (QCP). The in-place hydraulic conductivity of the composite liner is reported to be no greater than  $1.0 \times 10^{-7}$  centimeters per second (cm/sec).
  - The structural fill that form the embankments was reported to have been placed at, or above, 95% Maximum Dry Density.
- No breach or overtopping event of either impoundment has been reported.
- Formal "Critical Impoundment Inspections" are performed annually by a professional engineer licensed in Texas. Informal inspections are performed on a daily basis by Oak Grove personnel. Routine maintenance of the embankments is performed on an as-needed basis.
- Readings of the 9 monitoring wells are taken on a semi-annual basis.
- Annual inspections of FGD-A Pond indicate the impoundment has been found to be in good condition with minor rutting of the crest and localized erosion of the soil cover over the clay liner on the inboard face observed.
- Construction of the FGD-B Pond was completed shortly before the 2012 annual inspection and the vegetative cover had not had time to properly take root due to droughty conditions.
- The groundwater readings have remained relatively steady throughout the monitoring history.

### 3.2.2. Stormwater Inflows

No hydrologic & hydraulic analyses were available for review. According to Luminant personnel, stormwater inflow to the FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds has been evaluated and the Ponds were designed for a minimum design storm of the 24-hour, 25-year event. Because the embankments are raised on all sides of both ponds, direct runoff to the ponds is limited rainfall on the impoundments. However, runoff from approximately 15 acres of the SES facility can be pumped to FGD-A Pond. Based on charts presented in the National Weather Service's Technical Paper 40 (NWS TP-40), the 24-hour 25-year rainfall is approximately eight (8) inches and the regularly available freeboard exceeds seven (7) feet in FGD-A Pond and five (5) feet in FGD-B Pond, therefore the Ponds should be capable of containing the design event plus site runoff without overtopping their respective embankments. The Ponds should also be able to contain the 24-hour 100-year event which is approximately ten (10) inches of rainfall. While no formal hydrologic and hydraulic analyses have been performed, informal calculations indicate that the maximum possible volume of runoff from the 100-year event that could be pumped to the FGD-A Pond is approximately 544,500 ft<sup>3</sup>. The pond has approximately 2,460,000 ft<sup>3</sup> of available storage. Thus the FGD-A Pond appears to have the capacity to store 4.5 times the maximum possible 24-hour, 100-year inflow. The ponds do not have a spillway or overflow structure, therefore the ponds will retain the precipitation and any stormwater pumped in until the precipitation evaporates or is pumped from the ponds.

### 3.2.3. Stability Analyses

O'Brien & Gere reviewed the April 2010 "FGD-B Slope Stability Investigation" and the March 2011 "FGD-A Slope Stability Evaluation" reports by Golder Associates, Inc. (Golder) as part of the investigation of the CCW impoundments at the Oak Grove SES. These reports document the stability analyses for the FGD Ponds. Two cross-sections through each impoundment were analyzed using the slope stability software program SLIDE. The load cases analyzed include long term and short term steady-state seepage under "full pond" conditions. Rapid drawdown and short term "empty pond" under seismic loading were not analyzed. Load cases analyzed were performed on the inboard and outboard slopes.

Soil shear strength parameters used in the slope stability analyses were based on a combination of information obtained during field (sampling) programs and laboratory soil testing. The field programs included sampling from the interior and embankment of FGD-A Pond and from the proposed location of FGD-B Pond. As-built samples of FGD-B Pond were not collected.

Disturbed samples were collected using a standard split spoon sampler and Standard Penetration Tests (SPT) were conducted as part of the sampling program. The disturbed samples were tested for grain-size analysis, Atterberg Limits, and natural moisture content. In addition, undisturbed samples of clayey soils were collected using steel Shelby tubes. Unconsolidated-undrained (UU) and consolidated-undrained (CU) triaxial compression tests were performed on the undisturbed samples. The soil properties utilized for the slope stability analyses are presented in Table 3.1.

**Table 3.2 Soil Material Properties**

Location	Stratum	Description	$\gamma_{moist}$ (pcf)	$\gamma_{saturated}$ (pcf)	Undrained Shear Strength		Drained Shear Strength	
					C (psf)	$\phi$ (°)	C (psf)	$\phi$ (°)
<b>FGD-A Pond Northwest</b>	I	Sandy Clay	127	132	3000	-	270	26
	II	Sandy Clay / Silty Clay / Sandy Silt	127	132	2000	-	0	26
	III	Sand	127	132	0	-	0	36
<b>FGD-A Pond Northeast</b>	I	Sandy Clay	127	132	3000	-	270	26
	II	Sandy Clay / Clay	127	132	2000	-	0	26
	III	Clayey Sand	127	132	0	-	0	32
<b>FGD-B Pond</b>	I	Clay / Silty Clay / Sandy Clay	123	128	3200	0	278	26
	II	Sandy Clay / Clay	120	125	2000	0	0	26
	III	Clayey Sand	120	125	0	42	0	42
		Structural Fill	123	128	3200	0	278	26

The above soil parameters are based on laboratory and field tests on representative samples of the various soil strata encountered in the test borings. The soil parameters listed in Table 3.2 appear to be appropriate based on the review of available data.

Table 3.3 below provides a summary of the minimum computed factors of safety for slope stability of the two ponds:

**Table 3.3** *Summary of Minimum Computed Factors of Safety for Slope Stability*

Location	Case	Description	Factor of Safety
FGD-A Pond	1	Northwest (interior) sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	5.8
	2	Northwest (interior) sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	2.0
	3	Northeast (exterior) sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	6.2
	3a	Northeast (exterior) sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	1.9
	4	Northeast (interior) sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	5.9
	5	Northeast (interior) sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	2.0
FGD-B Pond	1	West sideslope; short-term (undrained) conditions	9.9
	2	West sideslope; long-term (drained) conditions	3.7
	3	East sideslope; short-term (undrained) conditions	5.2
	4	East sideslope; long-term (drained) conditions	2.5
	5	East sideslope (considering FGD pond); short-term (undrained) conditions	4.6
	6	East sideslope (considering FGD pond); long-term (drained) conditions	2.5

The results of the slope stability analyses indicated that the computed factors of safety exceed the minimum standard set by Golder (Factor of Safety = 1.5) for all load cases. The report stated that rapid drawdown analysis of the interior slope was not an applicable load case given the operational controls of the impoundment pool level.

It does not appear that a seismic stability analysis was performed for the embankment slopes of either pond. At a minimum, a pseudostatic slope stability analysis should be performed for the critical slope section of the Ponds to demonstrate that the slopes have a minimum factor of safety of 1.0 for the 2,500-year return period earthquake. However, based on the review of the static load case factors of safety, and given the low seismic coefficient for the site location, it is likely that the minimum Factor of Safety criteria will be met. In addition, the seismic stability analysis should include a liquefaction potential screening. While the majority of the soils encountered within borings conducted for the Golder slope stability analyses indicate predominantly fine-grained soils that are not typically susceptible to liquefaction, some saturated sand deposits were encountered within the deeper native soils, which could potentially be susceptible to liquefaction.

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### 3.3. PREVIOUS INSPECTIONS

Two previous inspection reports were provided by Luminant. The report dated March 4, 2011 was prepared by Luminant and the April 25, 2012 report was prepared by HDR Engineering, Inc. Similar issues related to the FGD-A Pond embankments were noted in the two reports. These include minor rutting on the crest and minor erosion gullies on the “upstream” (inboard) face of the embankment. The FGD-B Pond was not inspected in 2011 because it was not completed until after the 2012 inspection. Erosion gullies on the crest and inboard face of the embankment were noted in the 2012 inspection report. Additionally, it was noted that construction of the impoundment was not yet complete.

### 3.4. OPERATOR INTERVIEWS

Numerous plant personnel took part in the inspection proceedings along with a representative of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). The following is a list of participants for the September 2012 assessment of the FGD - A and FGD - B Ponds:

**Table 3.4** *Personnel Present at the Assessment of the Oak Grove SES CCW Impoundments*

Name	Affiliation
Jon King	Luminant
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Julie Preyeay	Luminant
Max Stephens	Luminant
Mark Kelly	Luminant
Jeff Jones	Luminant
Gary Spicer	Luminant
Bob Gentry	Luminant
Golam Mustafa	USEPA
Robert C. Ganley, PE	O'Brien & Gere
Johan Anestad, PE	O'Brien & Gere

Facility personnel provided a good working knowledge of the CCW impoundments, provided general plant operation background and provided requested historical documentation. These personnel also accompanied O'Brien & Gere and the USEPA representative throughout the visual assessment to answer questions and to provide additional information as needed in the field.

## 4. VISUAL ASSESSMENT

### 4.1. GENERAL

A visual assessment of the FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds was performed on September 19, 2012. The individuals listed in Table 3.4 were present during the assessment.

The weather on the date of the assessment was sunny and approximately 70 degrees. Field checklists were prepared by O'Brien & Gere to summarize the visual assessment and are included as Appendix A. Photographs were taken by both Luminant and O'Brien & Gere. Pertinent photos taken by O'Brien & Gere are included as Appendix B.

### 4.2. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Prior to the visual assessment, staff from Luminant provided an overview of the facility operation, including how fly ash and bottom ash are handled. Both materials are dry-handled and are not discharged into a CCW impoundment. Discharge to FGD-A Pond is primarily wastewater from the facility's flue gas desulphurization (FGD) system wet scrubber blowdown, though the Pond can receive runoff from approximately 15 acres of the SES facility as well as metal cleaning waste, low volume wastewater and bottom ash contact water. Discharge to FGD-B Pond is limited to overflow from the FGD-A Pond through a 12-inch HDPE cross-over pipe installed in the western embankment of FGD-A Pond. During the visual assessment of the FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds, the full length of the crests and outboard faces of the embankment were walked and representative features observed. The following observations were made during the assessment:

#### FGD-A Pond

- FGD wastewater enters the pond through pipes installed through the southern half of the Pond's eastern embankment.
- Minor erosion gullies in the clay liner cover material was observed in several locations on the eastern embankment and the "dividing dike".
- Minor erosion of the cover material was also observed along the water-line, primarily on the Pond's northern embankment.
- An HDPE liner is exposed at the southeast abutment of the "dividing dike" and the eastern embankment.
- An animal burrow was observed adjacent to one of the inflow pipes on the outboard face of the eastern embankment.
- Damage at the outboard toe and face of the Pond's western embankment was observed. Luminant personnel reported that the damage was caused by ~~wild boars~~. ← Feral hogs
- No evidence of prior releases, failures or patchwork of the impoundment was observed.

#### FGD-B Pond

- Inflow to the pond is limited to overflow from the FGD-A Pond through a 12-inch HDPE pipe in the western embankment of FGD-A Pond. No water was observed entering the Pond during the assessment.
- Minor erosion gullies were observed on the outboard face of the northern embankment. Heavy vegetative growth was also observed on portions of this embankment.
- The Twin Oaks Reservoir (owned by Luminant) is located north of the impoundment. The reservoir does not directly abut the Pond's embankment; it abuts the natural ground upon which the FGD-B Pond embankment is constructed.

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- Erosion of the HDPE's cover material was observed along the water-line throughout the impoundment. A small section of liner was exposed near the northwest corner of the impoundment.
- The vegetative cover planted when construction of the impoundment was completed earlier in 2012 has not grown significantly due to drought conditions after planting.
- A deep erosion gully was observed on the eastern embankment. The liner's cover material was fully eroded and the liner was exposed at this location.
- No evidence of prior releases, failures or patchwork of the impoundment was observed.

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

Based on the ratings defined in the USEPA Task Order Performance Work Statement (Satisfactory, Fair, Poor and Unsatisfactory), the information reviewed and the visual assessment, the overall condition of FGD-A Pond and FGD-B Pond is considered to be ~~POOR~~. While the visual condition of this management unit is good and recent engineering studies on the structural stability of the impounding dikes indicate acceptable performance under normal long-term loading conditions, ~~this rating must be given since a seismic stability analysis has not been completed to assess the stability during the maximum credible earthquake (MCE)~~. The MCE to be applied in the seismic analysis is equivalent to the 2,500-year return period or 2% probability of exceedence in 50 years earthquake. Acceptable performance is expected; however, some deficiencies exist that require repair and/or additional studies or investigations.

Major deficiencies include the following:

- Seismic stability analyses and liquefaction potential screenings were not performed for either FGD Pond.

Minor deficiencies include the following:

- Erosion of cover material down to the HDPE in one location of the eastern embankment of FGD-B Pond.
- The animal burrow observed adjacent to one of the inflow pipes on the outboard face of FGD-A Pond.
- Damage to outboard face of the western embankment of the FGD-A Pond from wild boars.
- Erosion of cover material at multiple locations along the waterline in both the FGD-A and FGD-B Ponds.

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## 6. RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the findings of our visual assessment and review of the available historical documents for the FGD-A Pond and the FGD-B Pond, O'Brien & Gere is recommending further evaluation of embankment stability under seismic loading and repairs to the erosion of the liner cover material and the animal burrow noted in the assessment.

### 6.1. URGENT ACTION ITEMS

None of the recommendations are considered to be urgent, since the issues noted above do not appear to threaten the structural integrity of the dam in the near term.

### 6.2. LONG TERM IMPROVEMENT/MAINTENANCE ITEMS

- Evaluate the seismic stability of the embankments and liquefaction potential of the embankments and underlying native soils given a 2,500 year earthquake. ←
- Repair eroded cover material. ←
- Fill the animal burrow. ←

All items have been addressed as part of routine maintenance, inspections, and the addendum letter.

### 6.3. MONITORING AND FUTURE INSPECTION

Daily visual inspections are reportedly performed and the results of annual detailed inspections have been recorded in inspection reports. Deficiencies noted during the annual inspections and in this CCW assessment report should be addressed in a timely manner to maintain dam integrity. Consideration should be given to development of an O&M Plan that would establish a firm schedule for operations, maintenance and inspection activities.

### 6.4. RECOMMENDED SCHEDULE FOR COMPLETION OF ACTION ITEMS

The facility should address any items noted during visual inspections in a timely manner, depending on the severity and location of the deficiency. The regular inspection schedule should be maintained.

### 6.5. CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

I acknowledge that the FGD-A Pond and FGD-B Pond management units referenced herein were personally assessed by me on September 19, 2012 and was found to be in ~~POOR condition due to the lack of a seismic slope stability and liquefaction potential evaluation for critical embankment sections.~~

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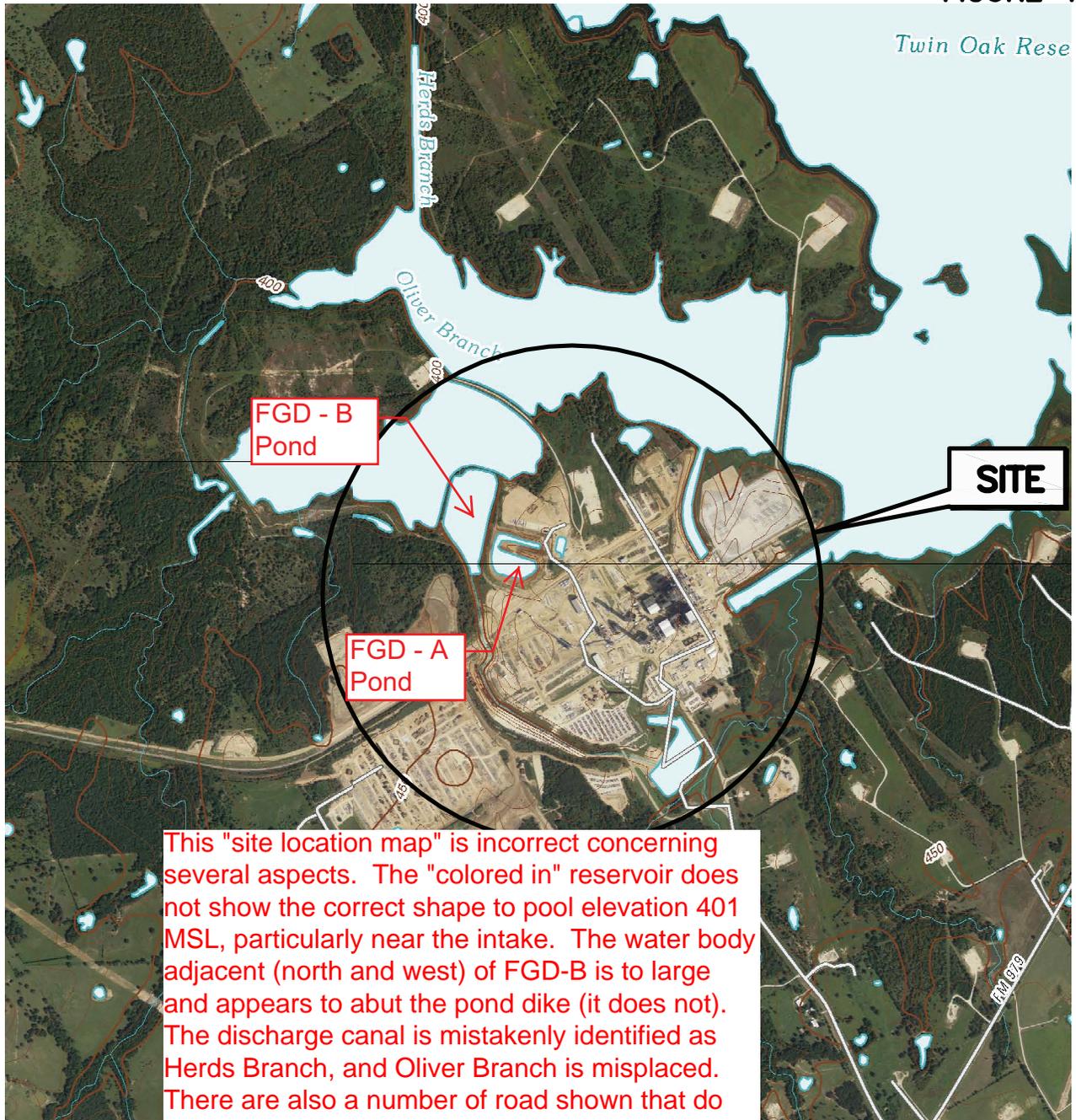
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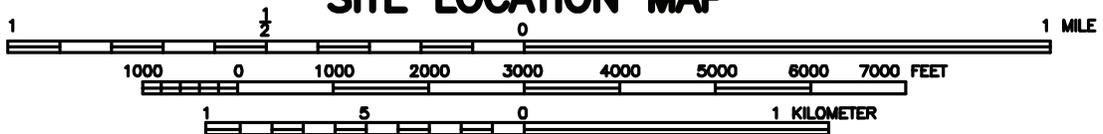


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**RE: ADDENDUM TO SLOPE STABILITY INVESTIGATION REPORTS  
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Dear Mr. Spicer:

This letter report serves as an addendum to the following two reports issued by Golder Associates Inc. (Golder).

- FGD-B Slope Stability Investigation Report (Revised), Luminant Oak Grove SES, Robertson County, Texas, dated June 2010
- FGD-A Slope Stability Evaluation Report, Luminant Oak Grove SES, Robertson County, Texas, dated March 2011

This addendum report includes the results of additional slope stability analyses for seismic considerations and a review of the liquefaction potential at the pond areas.

Details of the field investigations, subsurface conditions, and soil material properties used in the stability analyses are included in the above reports.

## **1.0 ADDITIONAL STABILITY ANALYSES**

Additional stability analyses were performed to quantify the effect of pseudo-static earthquake loading. The slope stability analyses were performed using the commercial slope stability software program, SLIDE Version 6.026. Based on the "US Seismic Hazard 2008 Map" prepared by the United States Geologic Survey (USGS), the peak ground acceleration (PGA) for a 2% probability of exceedance in 50 years is about 4%g for the site location. A seismic load coefficient of 0.04 was therefore used in the earthquake loading analysis. The earthquake load was applied to all slope stability cases and profiles presented in the original reports. The results of the analyses are provided in Tables 1 and 2.



**TABLE 1. FGD-A SLOPE STABILITY FACTORS OF SAFETY WITH AN EARTHQUAKE LOAD**

Case	Description	Factor of Safety
1	Northwest (interior) sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	4.6
2	Northwest (interior) sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	1.7
3	Northeast (exterior) sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	5.1
3a	Northeast (exterior) sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	1.7
4	Northeast (interior) sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	4.6
5	Northeast (interior) sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	1.7

**TABLE 2. FGD-B SLOPE STABILITY FACTORS OF SAFETY WITH AN EARTHQUAKE LOAD**

Case	Description	Factor of Safety
1	West sideslope; empty pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	7.9
2	West sideslope; empty pond; long-term (drained) conditions	3.1
3	West sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	10.2
4	West sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	3.4
5	East sideslope; empty pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	3.1
6	East sideslope; empty pond; long-term (drained) conditions	2.0
7	East sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	3.0
8	East sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions; circular failure	1.7
8A	East sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions; block failure	1.6
9	North sideslope; empty pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	7.1
10	North sideslope; empty pond; long-term (drained) conditions	3.0
11	North sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	9.5
12	North sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	3.2

In summary, our analyses indicate that the FGD-A and FGD-B proposed pond slopes are stable.

## 2.0 LIQUEFACTION POTENTIAL

Soil liquefaction describes a phenomenon whereby a saturated or partially saturated soil substantially loses strength and stiffness in response to an applied stress, usually earthquake shaking or other sudden change in stress condition, causing it to behave like a liquid. The phenomenon is most often observed in saturated, loose (low density or uncompacted), sandy soils.

A screening assessment of liquefaction potential has been undertaken based on the ground conditions encountered at the borehole locations, a surface acceleration of 0.04g, and with a 7.5 earthquake magnitude.

The assessment of liquefaction potential was carried out for predominantly granular soils based on SPT blow counts (N values) using the procedures outlined in Youd et al. (2001). This method is generally considered to be the standard of practice for liquefaction-screening using the SPT. The methodology tends to be conservative as it was developed mainly for clean sands and then modified to consider sands with increasing amounts of fines; thus, it is most accurate for sands with fines content less than 5%.

The method was implemented with the following key considerations:

- The methodology requires the fines content of the predominantly granular material. When particle size distribution testing was not available for the specific sample, a fines content was assumed based on field classification.
- Only SPT field (uncorrected) N-values lower or equal to 30 were considered, since greater values are generally accepted to indicate dense soils which are not susceptible to liquefaction.

Two scenarios were evaluated at the borehole locations meeting the above criteria. The first scenario was modelled with the ground surface and groundwater elevation measured at the time of drilling. The second scenario was modelled with the ground surface and groundwater at the pond base elevation.

Based on the procedures outlined in Youd et al. (2001) the minimum factor of safety exceeds 1.1, which indicates, the site soils are not susceptible to liquefaction.

### 3.0 CLOSING

Golder appreciates the opportunity to assist Luminant with this project. If you have any questions, or require further assistance from Golder, please contact the undersigned at (281) 821-6868.

Very truly yours,

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REPORT

# FGD-A SLOPE STABILITY EVALUATION REPORT

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Project Description

Luminant Power (Luminant) operates the Oak Grove Steam Electric Station (SES), a lignite-fueled power plant near Franklin, Robertson County, Texas. The location of the Oak Grove SES is presented on Figure 1. As part of the current site development, the existing FGD-A pond pool elevation may be raised to increase the pond's storage capacity. Luminant contracted Golder Associates Inc. (Golder) to evaluate the FGD-A pond berm slope stability considering a higher pond pool elevation.

The project scope includes conducting pond berm slope stability analyses based on available geotechnical information for the FGD-A and FGD-B pond areas.

The FGD-A pond is located on the northern portion of the facility (see Figure 2). The FGD-A pond was constructed in 2008 at the site of an existing pond. The pond has an area of approximately 9 acres and is located adjacent to the existing west railroad retention pond (location of proposed FGD-B pond). The pond bottom elevation is 422 feet-mean sea level (ft-msl) and the crest elevation is 450 ft-msl. The pond berms have interior and exterior slopes of 2.5 horizontal to 1 vertical (2H:1V) (Fluor, 2008).

### 1.2 Coordinate System and Unit System

The local plant grid coordinate system is used in this report. All elevations are referenced to mean sea level (msl).

This report is presented using U.S. customary (or English) units.



## 2.0 SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

Information from previous subsurface investigations was used to characterize the subsurface site conditions. Golder conducted a subsurface investigation for the FGD-A pond in July 2008, prior to pond construction. Golder completed nine borings within the pond footprint with boring depths ranging from 16 to 28 feet below ground surface (bgs) (Golder, 2008). Golder also conducted a subsurface investigation for the proposed FGD-B pond in March 2010 (Golder, 2010). Boring locations are shown on Figure 3. Appendix A includes select, representative boring logs.

The soils encountered under the pond consist of lean clays, sandy clays, silty clays, sands, silty sands, clayey sands, and sandy silts. The near surface soils under the pond generally consist of fine-grained soils extending to depths ranging from approximately 6 feet to more than 19 feet below the pond bottom. Coarse-grained soils (i.e., sands) were generally encountered at depths greater than 6 feet below the pond bottom. Sands were encountered at shallower depths in the northwest portion of the pond than in the southeast portion of the pond.

The pond berm is assumed to consist of sandy fat clay, based on the soils encountered in boring BH-FGD-105.

Water level measurements taken in December 2009 and June 2010 from monitoring wells near the FGD-A pond indicate that the groundwater level is between approximately 406 and 409 ft-msl. In our analyses, we have conservatively assumed that the water level in the soil units under the pond is equal to the pond pool elevation.



### 3.0 STABILITY ANALYSES

Slope stability analyses were performed using the commercial slope stability software program, SLIDE Version 5.044. Stability analyses were performed for two separate slope sections (northwest and northeast sideslopes) to assess the various soil conditions and slope geometries around the pond. Analysis locations are shown on Figure 3. Stability analyses considered “full pond” conditions, which is the most severe case for berm stability. For the “full pond” case, a pond pool elevation of 448 ft-msl was used. For the northwest berm, the phreatic surface in the berm was modeled to vary linearly between the FGD-A and FGD-B pond pool elevations. For the northeast berm, the phreatic surface was conservatively assumed to be at 448 ft-msl within the berm and at the ground surface on the exterior side of the berm.

Stability analyses for the external side of the northwest berm (considering the combined effects of the FGD-A and FGD-B ponds) were included in Golder’s slope stability investigation for the FGD-B pond (Golder, 2010). The slope was determined to be stable with an adequate factor of safety.

Based on our discussions with Luminant, “rapid drawdown” is an unlikely loading scenario for the FGD-A pond and was not considered in our analyses.

### 3.1 Soil Properties

For each slope section, a conservative, generalized subsurface stratigraphy was developed based on soil boring information and laboratory soil testing results for the existing borings. Tables 1 and 2 list the estimated soil properties for the slope sections.

**Table 1: Soil Material Properties for Northwest Sideslope Section**

Soil Material	Description	Moist Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Saturated Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Undrained Soil Properties	Drained Soil Properties	
				Undrained Shear Strength, $s_u$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cohesion, $c'$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Friction Angle, $\phi'$ (°)
I	Sandy Clay	127	132	3000	270	26
II	Sandy Clay/ Silty Clay/ Sandy Silt	127	132	2000	0	26
III	Sand/ Silty Sand	127	132	N/A	0	36

Note: Soil properties based on interpretation of borings BH-FGD-105 and FGD-B-7.

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**Table 2: Soil Material Properties for Northeast Sideslope Section**

Soil Material	Description	Moist Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Saturated Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Undrained Soil Properties	Drained Soil Properties	
				Undrained Shear Strength, $s_u$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Cohesion, $c'$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Friction Angle, $\phi'$ (°)
I	Sandy Clay	127	132	3000	270	26
II	Silty Clay/Clay	127	132	2000	0	26
III	Clayey Sand	127	132	N/A	0	32

Notes: Soil properties based on interpretation of borings BH-FGD-105, FGD-B-8, and FGD-B-9.

### 3.2 Slope Stability Results

Slope stability analyses were performed for both short- and long-term conditions using undrained and drained soil properties for the clay and silt soils, respectively. Sands were considered drained for both conditions. The results of the analyses are provided in Table 3. SLIDE output files are included in Appendix B. A factor of safety of 1.5 is typically considered adequate for permanent slopes. The minimum calculated factor of safety from our analyses is 1.9. Therefore, our analyses indicate that the proposed slopes will be stable under the assumed conditions.

**Table 3: Slope Stability Factors of Safety**

Case	Description	Factor of Safety
1	Northwest (interior) sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	5.8
2	Northwest (interior) sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	2.0
3	Northeast (exterior) sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	6.2
3a	Northeast (exterior) sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	1.9
4	Northeast (interior) sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	5.9
5	Northeast (interior) sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	2.0

The factors of safety are lower for long-term than short-term conditions.

“Rapid drawdown” is frequently a critical slope stability case in water retention structures. Rapid drawdown occurs where the water level in a pond or river is high for an extended period, and is then suddenly reduced resulting in an additional load from the water remaining within the berm soil. Slope stability analyses did not consider “rapid drawdown” loading conditions. If the FGD-A pond ever needs to be drained rapidly, additional analyses should be performed to analyze this particular loading condition.



#### 4.0 IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Attention is drawn to the document "Important Information About Your Geotechnical Engineering Report," which is included in Appendix C of this report. This document has been prepared by the ASFE (Professional Firms Practicing in the Geosciences), of which Golder is a member. The statements presented in this document are intended to advise owners of what their realistic expectations of this report should be, and to present recommendations on how to minimize the risks associated with the groundworks for this project. The document is not intended to reduce the level of responsibility accepted by Golder, but rather to ensure that all parties who may rely on this report are aware of the responsibilities each assumes in so doing.

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## 5.0 REFERENCES

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## 6.0 CLOSING

Golder appreciates the opportunity to assist Luminant with this project. If you have any questions, or require further assistance from Golder, please contact the undersigned at (281) 821-6868.

Very truly yours,

**GOLDER ASSOCIATES INC.**

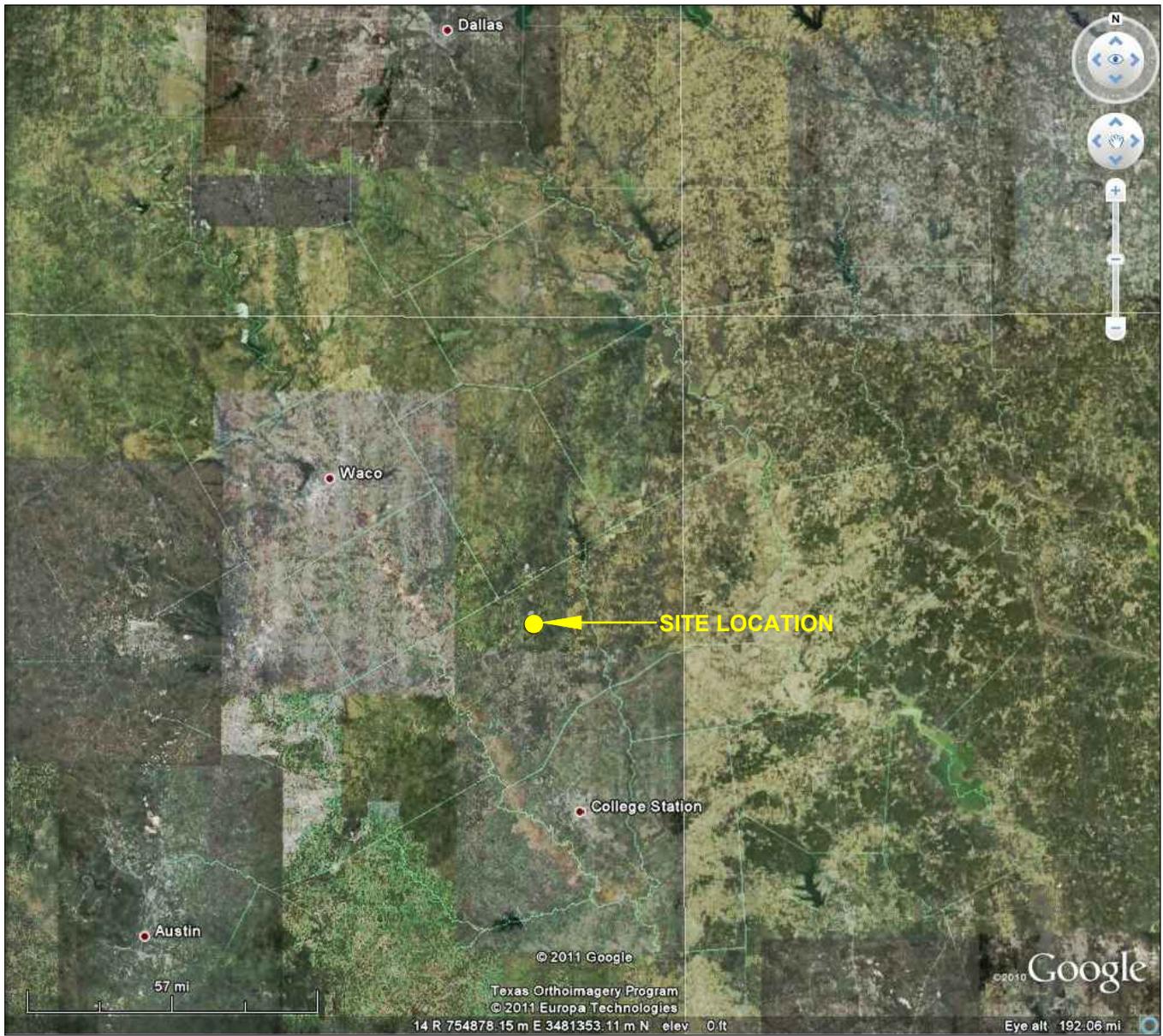
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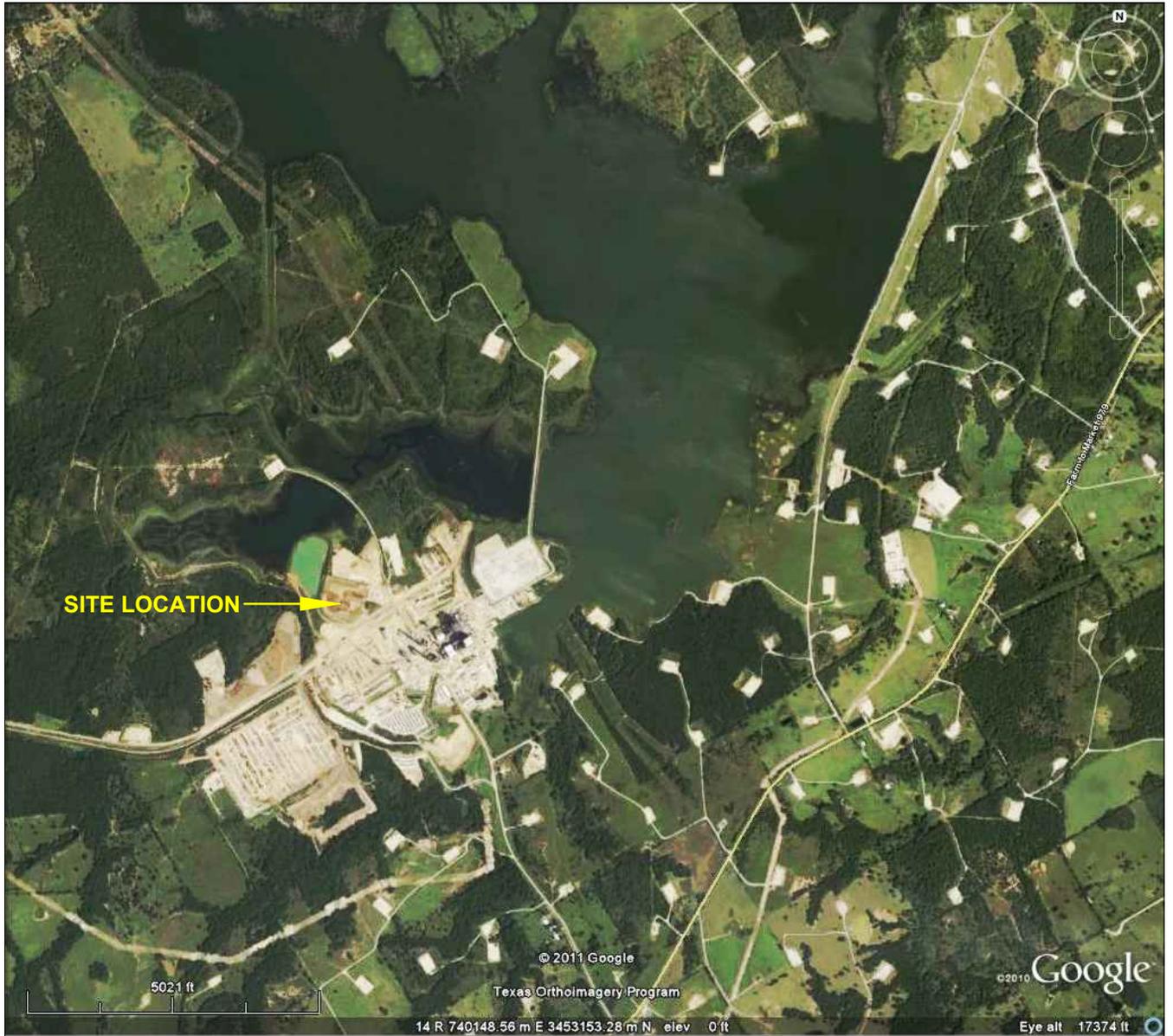
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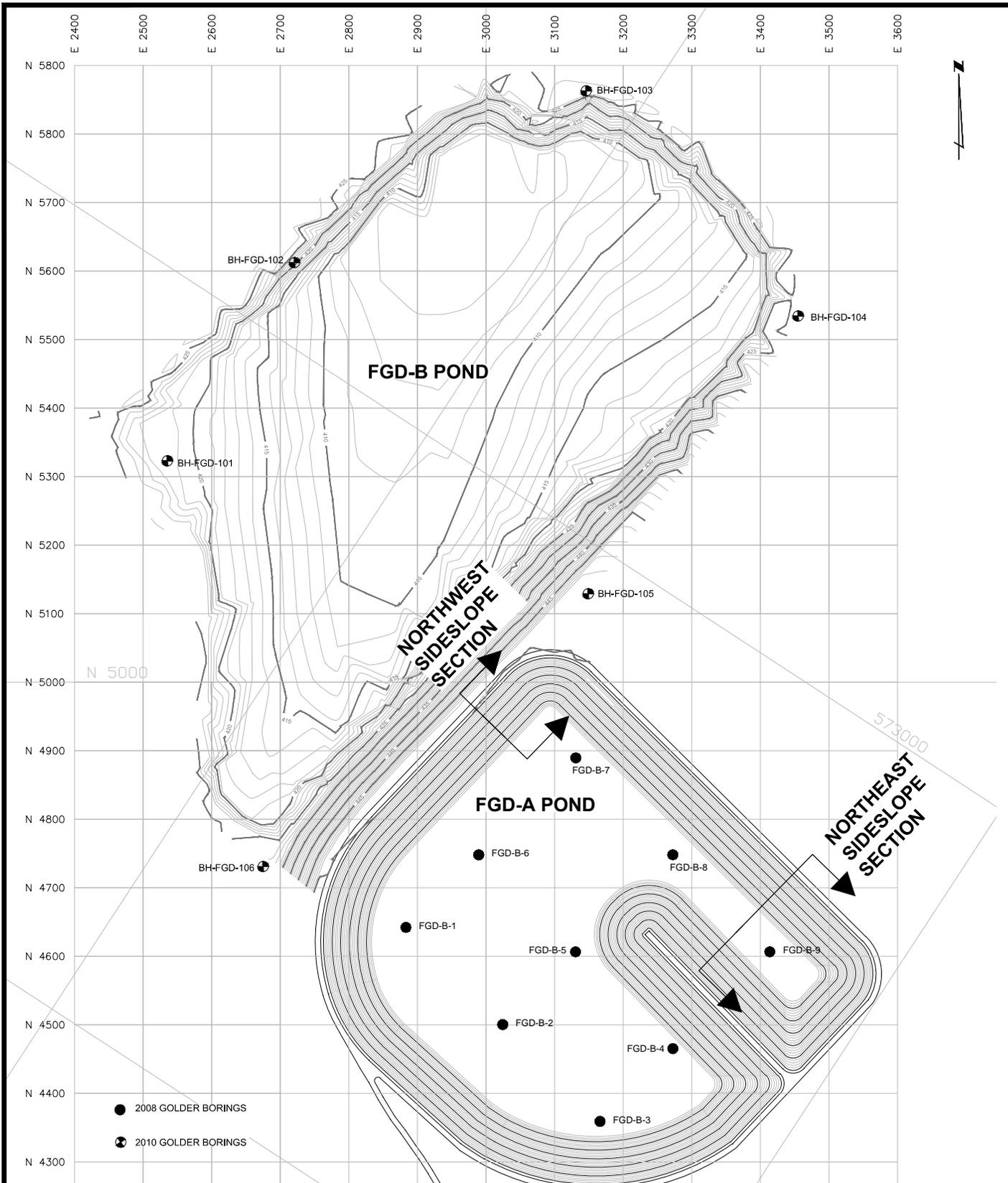
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PROJECT	<b>FGD-A-POND SLOPE STABILITY ANALYSIS LUMINANT OAK GROVE SES ROBERTSON COUNTY, TEXAS</b>
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**APPENDIX A  
REPRESENTATIVE BORING LOGS**

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE FGD-B-7

SHEET 1 OF 2  
DATUM: LOCAL

PROJECT: OAK GROVE SES  
LOCATION: FRANKLIN, TEXAS

BORING STARTED: 17-Jul-2008  
BORING FINISHED: 17-Jul-2008

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: MOBILE B-57 BUGGY  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Lewis Environmental Drilling

NORTHING (ft): 4889.56  
EASTING (ft): 3130.96  
ELEVATION (ft): 422.24

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION (RQD) %				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/0.5 FT	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH	WATER CONTENT PERCENT			
								CU - ● P.P. - ⊕ Field Vane Shear ■ UU - ⊕ TORV. - ▲ UCS - ✱	20 40 60 80 PL ———— W ———— LL			
0		GROUND SURFACE		422.2								
		Stiff to very stiff, reddish brown, sandy CLAY, damp		0.0	1	SB	4 7 8 N15					
		dark brown at 1.5'										
2		Very stiff, reddish brown and yellowish brown, CLAY, trace sand, damp		2.0	2	SH						perm sieve
4					3	SB	7 10 13 N23					sieve
6		Dense, reddish brown to brown, SAND, with clay, damp		6.0	4	SB	12 22 24 N46					
8		light brown, sandy clay layer at 8.0'			5	SB	12 17 21 N38					sieve
		reddish brown at 8.5'										
10		dense to very dense at 10.0'			6	SB	11 14 17 N31					
12		light brown at 12.0'			7	SB	17 30 28 N58					
14		clayey at 14'			8	SB	17 17 22 N39					sieve
16		moist at 16.0'			9	SB	10 14 18 N32					
18												
20		light gray at 19.0'			10	SB	12 24 26 N50					

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OAK GROVE - FGD\_94281GINT.GPJ GLDR\_HOU.GDT 10/31/08

DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 2.5 feet



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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE FGD-B-7

SHEET 2 OF 2  
DATUM: LOCAL

PROJECT: OAK GROVE SES  
LOCATION: FRANKLIN, TEXAS

BORING STARTED: 17-Jul-2008  
BORING FINISHED: 17-Jul-2008

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: MOBILE B-57 BUGGY  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Lewis Environmental Drilling

NORTHING (ft): 4889.56  
EASTING (ft): 3130.96  
ELEVATION (ft): 422.24

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION (RQD) %				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS	
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/0.5 FT	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH		WATER CONTENT PERCENT			
20	Hollow Stem Auger	— CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE —		20.0	11	SB	12 24 24 N48						
22		TOTAL DEPTH AT 22.0'		22.0									
24													
26													
28													
30													
32													
34													
36													
38													
40													

OAK GROVE - FGD 94281GINT.GPJ GLDR HOU.GDT 10/31/08

DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 2.5 feet



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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE FGD-B-8

SHEET 1 OF 2  
DATUM: LOCAL

PROJECT: OAK GROVE SES  
LOCATION: FRANKLIN, TEXAS

BORING STARTED: 17-Jul-2008  
BORING FINISHED: 17-Jul-2008

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: MOBILE B-57 BUGGY  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Lewis Environmental Drilling

NORTHING (ft): 4748.26  
EASTING (ft): 3272.19  
ELEVATION (ft): 426.97

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION (RQD) %		ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/10.5 FT	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH (Cu)		
0		GROUND SURFACE		427.0						
0.0		Stiff to very stiff, reddish brown, CLAY, with sand, damp		0.0	1	SB	3 4 6 N10			
2		silty at 1.5'			2	SB	11 10 10 N20			
4					3	SB	4 4 6 N10			
6		Stiff to very stiff, light brown and yellowish brown, silty CLAY, trace sand, damp		6.0	4	SB	4 7 8 N15			
8		very stiff, brown with mottled yellowish brown at 8'			5	SH				
10	Hollow Stem Auger	reddish brown at 10.0'			6	SB	3 4 6 N10			perm sieve
12					7	SB	3 3 5 N8			
14		dark brown at 14.5'			8	SB	3 3 4 N7			
16					9	SH				sieve
18					10	SB	8 17 19 N36			
19.0		Hard, reddish brown, sandy CLAY, damp		19.0						
20		- CONTINUED NEXT PAGE -								

OAK GROVE - FGD 94281GINT.GPJ GLDR HOU.GDT 10/31/08

DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 2.5 feet



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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE FGD-B-8

SHEET 2 OF 2  
DATUM: LOCAL

PROJECT: OAK GROVE SES  
LOCATION: FRANKLIN, TEXAS

BORING STARTED: 17-Jul-2008  
BORING FINISHED: 17-Jul-2008

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: MOBILE B-57 BUGGY  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Lewis Environmental Drilling

NORTHING (ft): 4748.26  
EASTING (ft): 3272.19  
ELEVATION (ft): 426.97

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION (ROD) %				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS						
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/0.5 FT	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu	WATER CONTENT PERCENT PL ——— W ——— LL									
								400	800	1200	1600	20	40	60	80			
20	Hollow Stem Auger	--- CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE ---																
		Compact to dense, brown, clayey SAND, moist		20.0	11	SB	7 17 24 N41											sieve
22		light brown at 21.5'			12	SB	4 7 10 N17											
24					13	SB	14 19 24 N43						O					sieve
26		Firm, gray, CLAY		25.5														
26		TOTAL DEPTH 26'		26.0														
28																		
30																		
32																		
34																		
36																		
38																		
40																		

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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 2.5 feet



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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE FGD-B-9

SHEET 1 OF 2  
DATUM: LOCAL

PROJECT: OAK GROVE SES  
LOCATION: FRANKLIN, TEXAS

BORING STARTED: 17-Jul-2008  
BORING FINISHED: 17-Jul-2008

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: MOBILE B-57, BUGGY  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Lewis Environmental Drilling

NORTHING (ft): 4606.63  
EASTING (ft): 3413.66  
ELEVATION (ft): 427.99

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES		ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION (RQD) %				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS					
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER TYPE	BLOWS/0.5 FT	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu	WATER CONTENT PERCENT PL ———— W ———— LL								
							400	800	1200	1600	20	40	60	80		
0		GROUND SURFACE		428.0												
		Firm to stiff, yellowish brown and brown, CLAY, with sand, damp		0.0	1 SB	2 4 4 N8										
2		mottled reddish brown and light gray at 3.0'			2 SB	3 4 4 N8										
4		Stiff to very stiff, brown with occasional yellow brown seams, silty CLAY, damp		4.0	3 SB	4 4 6 N10										
8					4 SB	4 6 6 N12										
10	Hollow Stem Auger	dark brown with occasional streaks of reddish brown at 10.0'			5 SH											
12					6 SB	3 4 5 N9										
14					7 SB	4 10 10 N20										
16		Hard, light gray with occasional yellowish brown and brown, CLAY, trace sand, moist		16.0	8 SH											
18					9 SB	11 12 19 N31										
20					10 SB	7 17 24 N41										

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OAK GROVE - FGD 94281GINT.GPJ GLDR HOU.GDT 10/31/08

DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 2.5 feet



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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE FGD-B-9

SHEET 2 OF 2  
DATUM: LOCAL

PROJECT: OAK GROVE SES  
LOCATION: FRANKLIN, TEXAS

BORING STARTED: 17-Jul-2008  
BORING FINISHED: 17-Jul-2008

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: MOBILE B-57 BUGGY  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Lewis Environmental Drilling

NORTHING (ft): 4606.63  
EASTING (ft): 3413.66  
ELEVATION (ft): 427.99

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			ROCK QUALITY DESIGNATION				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS	
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/0.5 FT	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu		WATER CONTENT PERCENT			
20	Hollow Stem Auger	— CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE —		20.0									
		Hard, dark brown with occasional reddish brown, sandy CLAY, moist			11	SB	5 18 28 N46					sieve	
22		gray with occasional reddish brown at 23'			12	SB	18 29 33 N62					sieve	
24		TOTAL DEPTH 24.0'		24.0									
26													
28													
30													
32													
34													
36													
38													
40													

OAK GROVE - FGD 94281GINT.GPJ GLDR HOU.GDT 10/31/08

DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 2.5 feet



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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-105

SHEET 1 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5129  
EASTING (ft): 3149  
ELEVATION (ft): 449

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	CU - ●	P.P. - ⊕	Field Vane Shear - ⊕	UU - ⊕	TORV. - ▲	UCS - ✱	PL		
0		Grass		449.0													
		Very stiff, mottled dark brown, sandy fat CLAY (CH), trace organics, damp			44	SH		37									
		hard, light brown at 2.0'			45	SH		33									
		dark brown at 4.0'			46	SH		30									
5		light brown at 6.0'			47	SH		50									
					48	SH		67									
10					49	SH		30									
		mottled, trace lignite at 13.0'			50	SH		37									
15					51	SH		37									
		very stiff, dark gray at 18.0'			52	SH		50									
20					53	SH											
		hard, dark brown at 23.0'			54	SH											
25					55	SH											
		Very stiff, mottled dark gray to brown, silty CLAY (CL-ML), few sand, moist		28.0	56	SH											
30					57	SH											

(3) CU c'=278 psf  
phi'=26 deg

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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-105

SHEET 2 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5129  
EASTING (ft): 3149  
ELEVATION (ft): 449

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE			SAMPLES			UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/0.5 FT	RECOVERY %	CU - ●	P.P. - ○	Field Vane Shear ■	UU - ●	TORV. - ▲	UCS - ✱	PL		
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30				30.0													
		Stiff, black, sandy SILT (ML), trace clay, some organics, some wood fragments, moist		33.0	53	SH		50									
		Stiff, dark brown, fat CLAY (CH), trace organics, trace sand, moist		33.8													
35																	
		Very dense, light brown, fine, poorly-graded SAND (SP), trace clay, damp		38.0	54	SS	50/6" N>50	56									
40																	
		Very dense, light brown, fine, poorly-graded SAND (SP-SM), with silt, moist		43.0	55	SS	24 34 38 N72	67									
45																	
		Very dense, grayish brown, silty SAND (SM), trace clay, moist		48.0	56	SS	22 26 50/5" N>50	83									
50		BORING TERMINATED AT 50.0'		50.0													
55																	
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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet

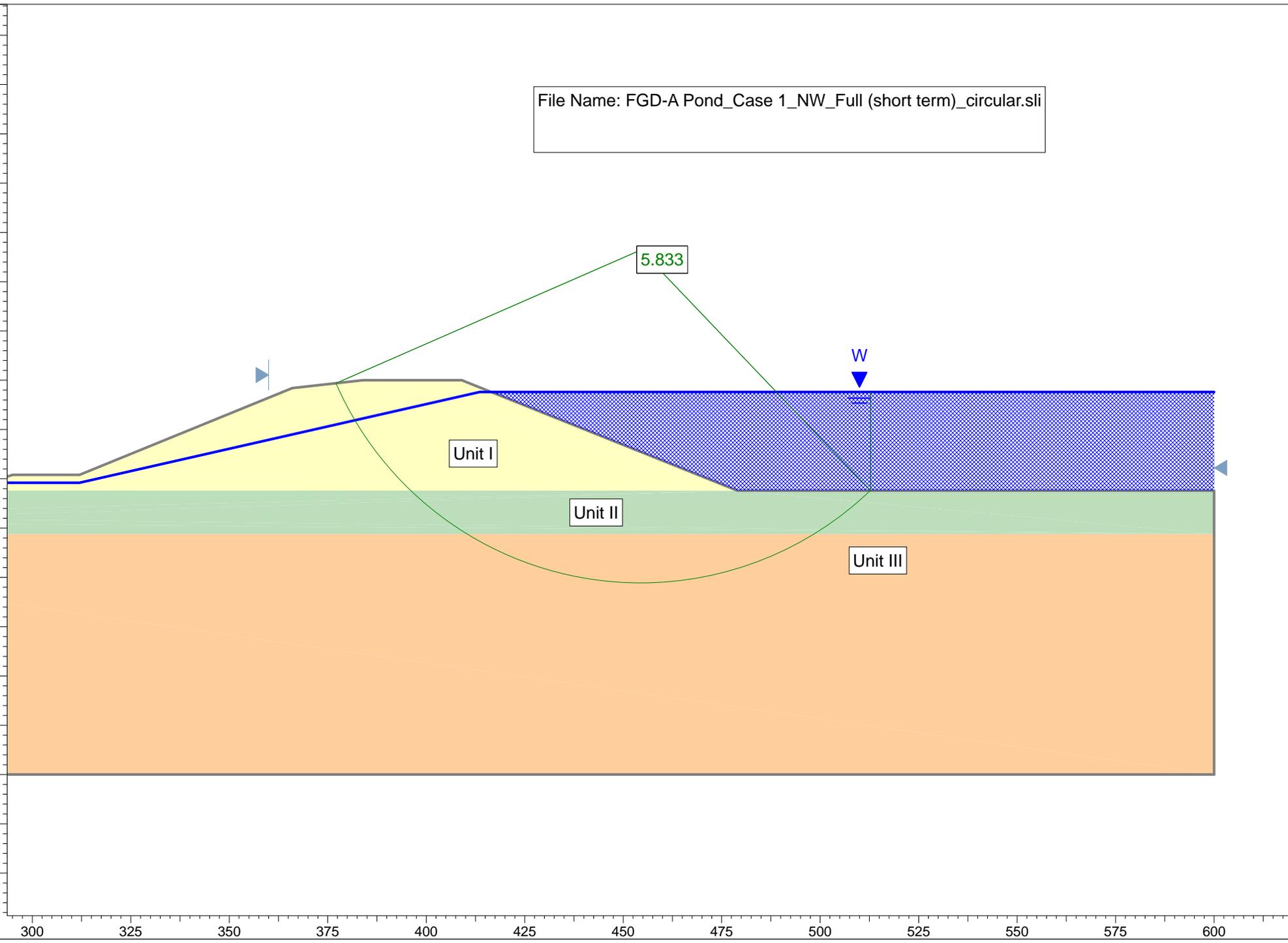


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**APPENDIX B  
SLOPE STABILITY ANALYSES**

**CASE 1**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 1\_NW\_Full (short term)\_circular.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 1\_NW\_Full (short term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-A Pond - Case 1 - NW Slope - Full pond (short term)  
Failure Direction: Left to Right  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft3  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Auto Refine Search  
Divisions along slope: 15  
Circles per division: 10  
Number of iterations: 10  
Divisions to use in next iteration: 50%  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: I - Sandy Clay  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: II - Silty Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 2000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: III - Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 5.836020  
Center: 453.961, 482.815  
Radius: 83.989  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 376.984, 449.220  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 511.889, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 376.984 449.220  
Right Slope Intercept: 511.889 447.000  
Resisting Moment=2.60578e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=4.465e+006 lb-ft

Method: spencer

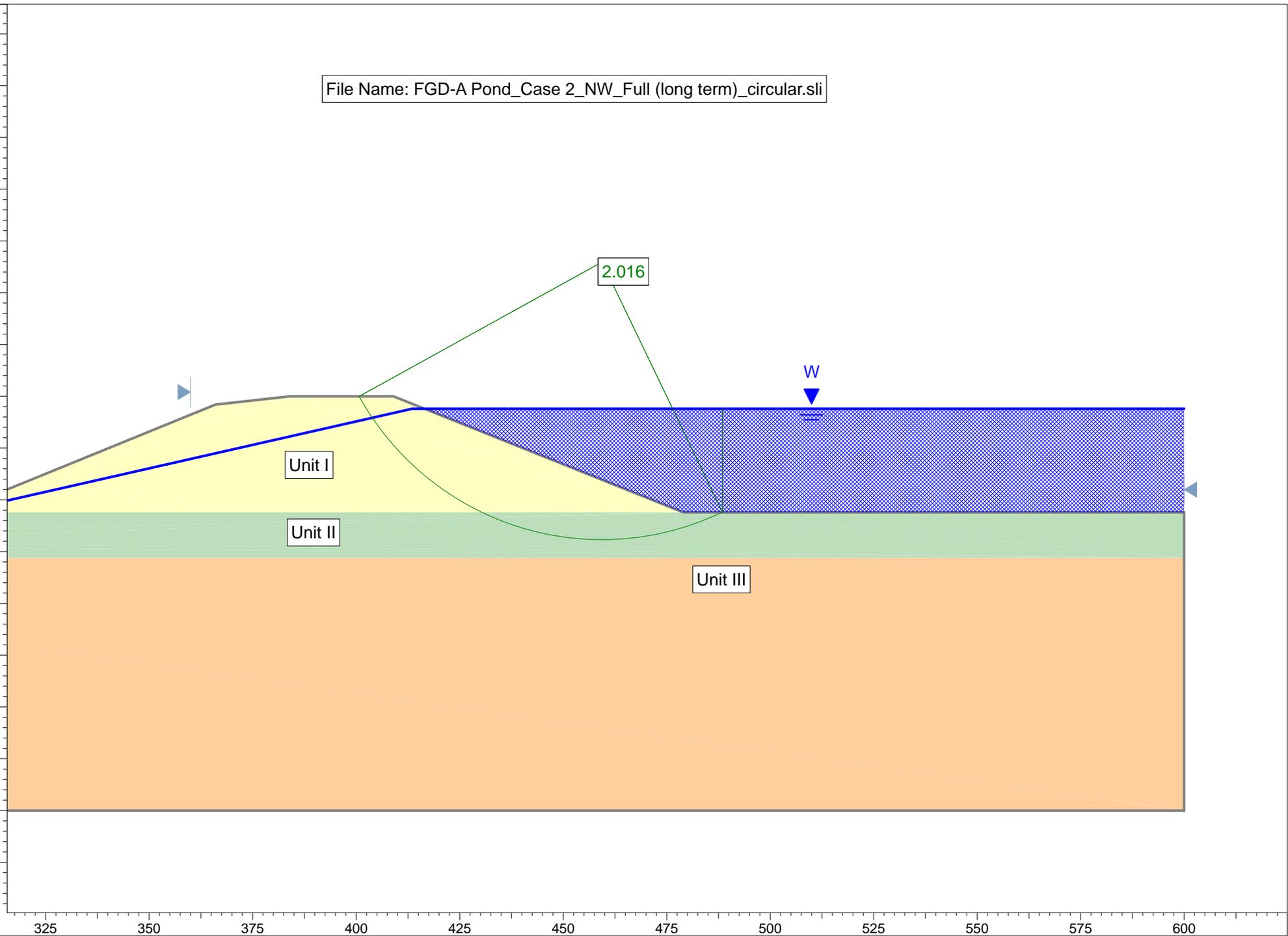
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Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 511.953, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 376.899 449.211  
Right Slope Intercept: 511.953 447.000  
Resisting Moment=2.61026e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=4.4755e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=246274 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=42225.6 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 5.832870  
Center: 454.455, 483.035  
Radius: 84.448  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 377.069, 449.230  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 512.817, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 377.069 449.230  
Right Slope Intercept: 512.817 447.000  
Resisting Moment=2.63217e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=4.51265e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=247226 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=42385.1 lb

**CASE 2**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 2\_NW\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 2\_NW\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-A Pond - Case 2 - NW Slope - Full pond (long term)  
Failure Direction: Left to Right  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft3  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Auto Refine Search  
Divisions along slope: 15  
Circles per division: 10  
Number of iterations: 10  
Divisions to use in next iteration: 50%  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: I - Sandy Clay  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: II - Silty Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: III - Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 2.015010  
Center: 459.454, 482.205  
Radius: 66.696  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 401.048, 450.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 488.155, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 401.048 450.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 488.155 447.000  
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Driving Moment=1.65222e+006 lb-ft

Method: spencer

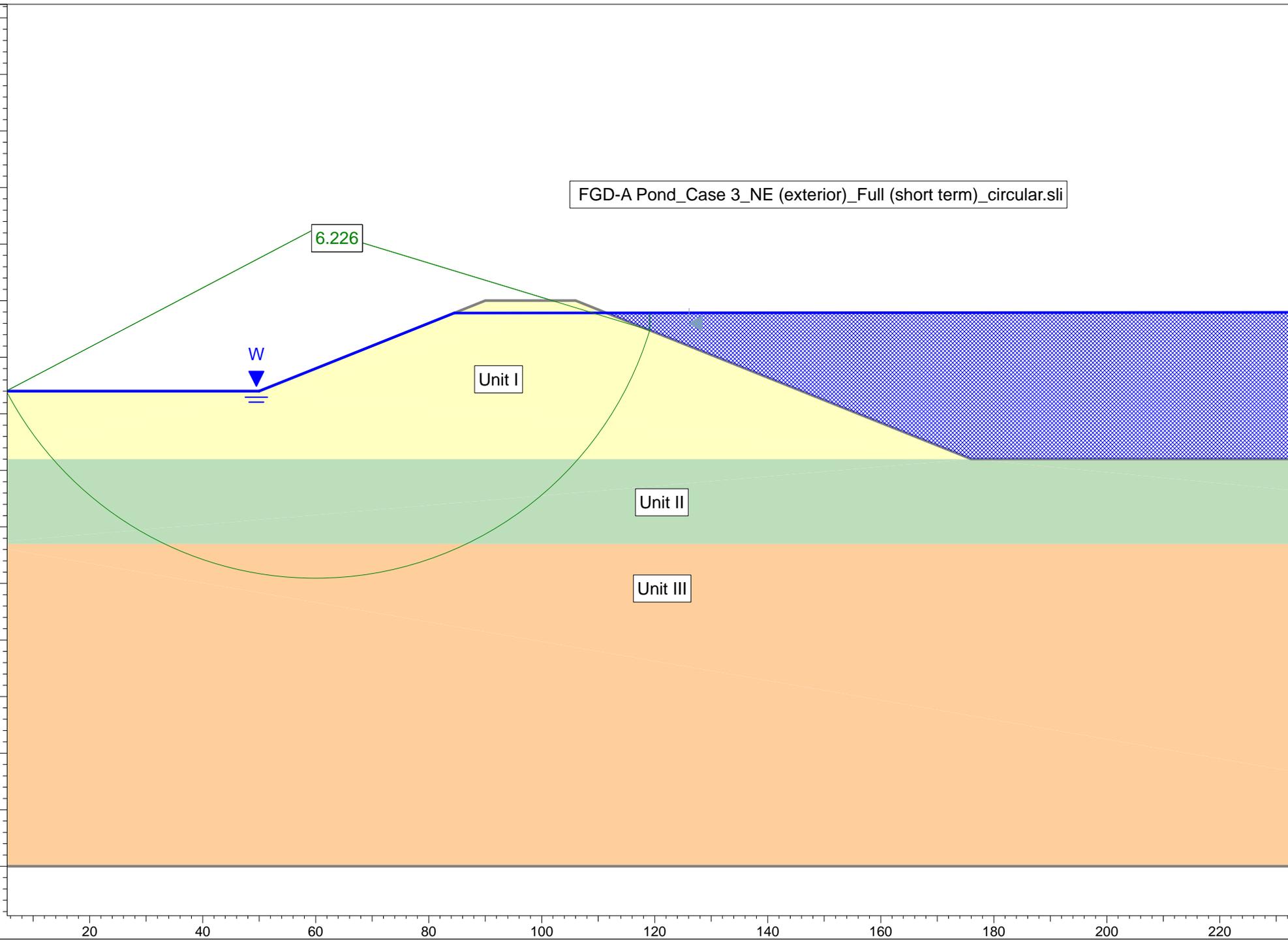
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Radius: 66.555  
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Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 488.027, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 401.176 450.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 488.027 447.000  
Resisting Moment=3.31008e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.64019e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=42750.9 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=21183.6 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 2.015920  
Center: 459.416, 482.426  
Radius: 67.050  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 400.728, 450.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 488.475, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 400.728 450.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 488.475 447.000  
Resisting Moment=3.3917e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.68246e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=43543.7 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=21599.9 lb

**CASE 3**

FGD-A Pond\_Case 3\_NE (exterior)\_Full (short term)\_circular.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 3\_NE (exterior)\_Full (short term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-A Pond - Case 3 - NE (exterior) Slope - Full (short term) - circular  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft3  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Auto Refine Search  
Divisions along slope: 15  
Circles per division: 10  
Number of iterations: 10  
Divisions to use in next iteration: 50%  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: I - Sandy Clay  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: II - Silty Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 2000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: III - Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 6.226250  
Center: 59.969, 462.747  
Radius: 61.838  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 5.219, 434.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 119.130, 444.748  
Left Slope Intercept: 5.219 434.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 119.130 447.831  
Resisting Moment=1.91087e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=3.06905e+006 lb-ft

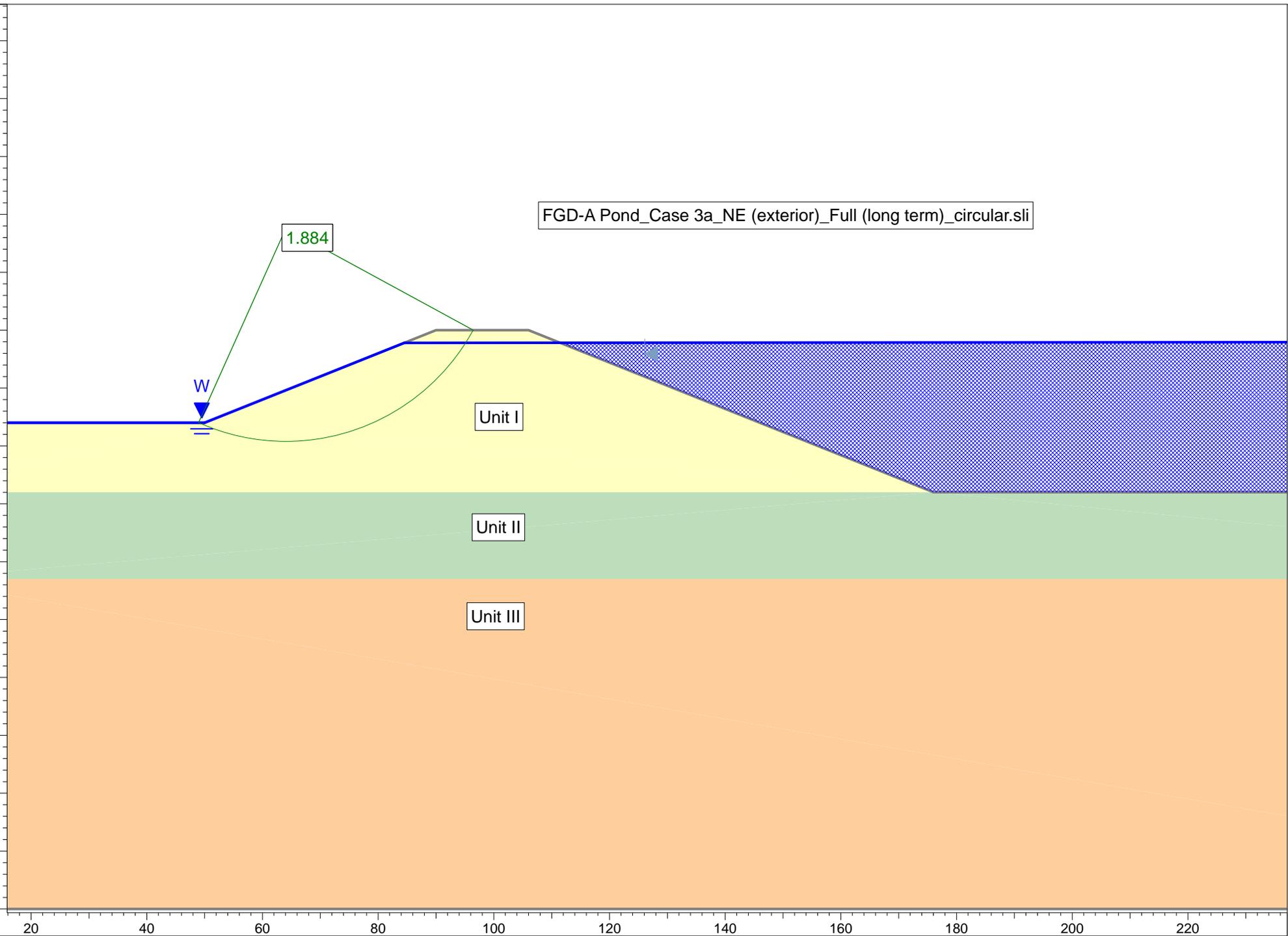
Method: spencer

FS: 6.332610  
Center: 60.693, 473.550  
Radius: 71.532  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 1.089, 434.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 125.072, 442.371  
Left Slope Intercept: 1.089 434.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 125.072 447.835  
Resisting Moment=2.27056e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=3.5855e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=248781 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=39285.7 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 6.335550  
Center: 60.693, 473.550  
Radius: 71.532  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 1.089, 434.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 125.072, 442.371  
Left Slope Intercept: 1.089 434.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 125.072 447.835  
Resisting Moment=2.27161e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=3.5855e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=248806 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=39271.4 lb

**CASE 3A**



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 3a\_NE (exterior)\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-A Pond - Case 3a - NE (exterior) Slope - Full (long term) - circular  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft3  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Auto Refine Search  
Divisions along slope: 15  
Circles per division: 10  
Number of iterations: 10  
Divisions to use in next iteration: 50%  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: I - Sandy Clay  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: II - Silty Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: III - Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 1.883560  
Center: 64.058, 467.621  
Radius: 36.864  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 48.937, 434.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 96.439, 450.000  
Resisting Moment=1.01407e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=538376 lb-ft

Method: spencer

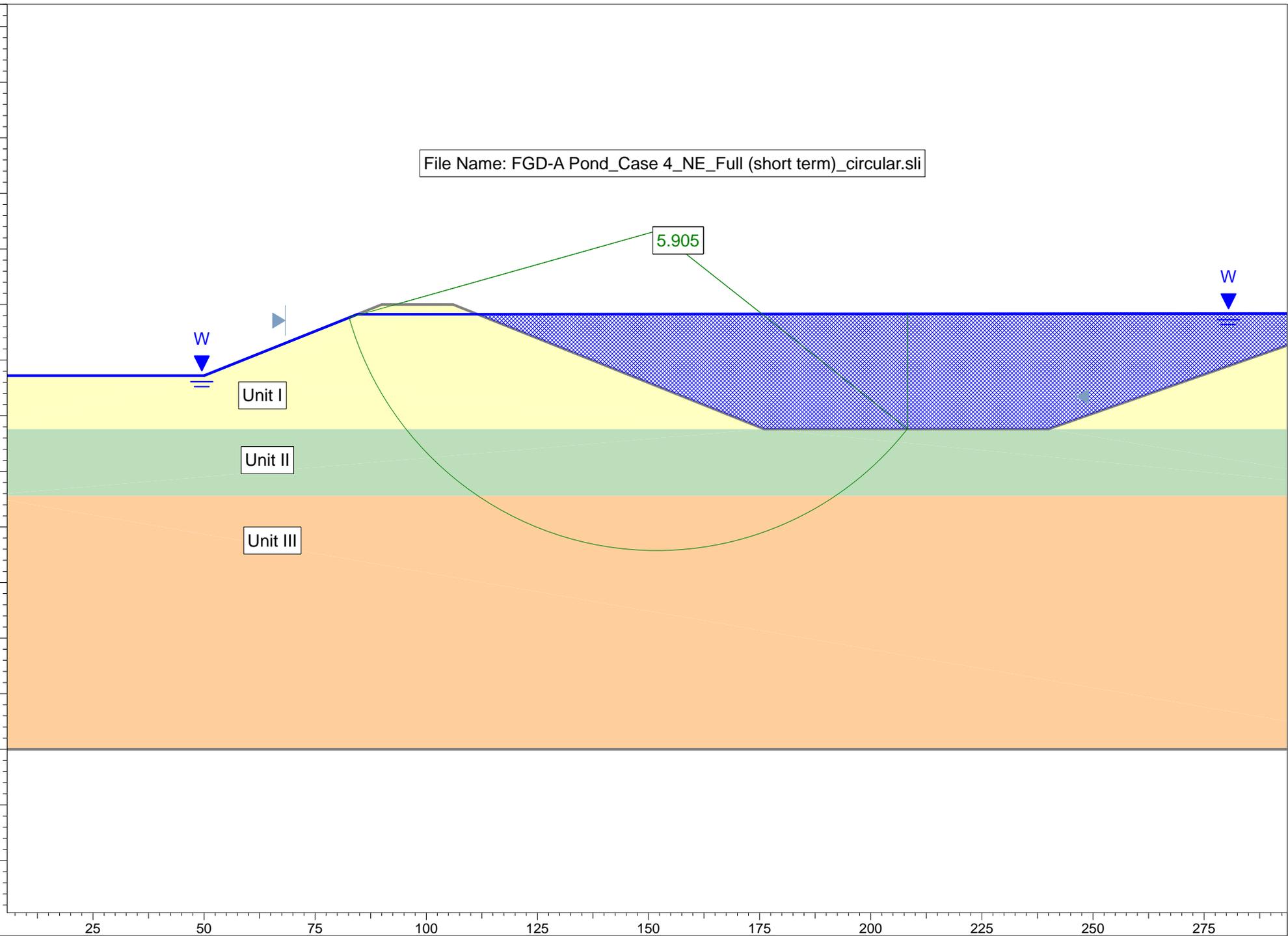
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Radius: 36.778  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 49.005, 434.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 96.348, 450.000  
Resisting Moment=1.00771e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=534348 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=24341.4 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=12907.2 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 1.879340  
Center: 64.071, 467.539  
Radius: 36.735  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 49.085, 434.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 96.348, 450.000  
Resisting Moment=1.0015e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=532898 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=24287.8 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=12923.6 lb

**CASE 4**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 4\_NE\_Full (short term)\_circular.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 4\_NE\_Full (short term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-A Pond - Case 4 - NE Slope - Full (short term) - circular  
Failure Direction: Left to Right  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft3  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Auto Refine Search  
Divisions along slope: 15  
Circles per division: 10  
Number of iterations: 10  
Divisions to use in next iteration: 50%  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: I - Sandy Clay  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: II - Silty Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 2000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: III - Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 5.904510  
Center: 151.857, 466.570  
Radius: 71.916  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 82.639, 447.056  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 208.297, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 82.639 447.056  
Right Slope Intercept: 208.297 447.902  
Resisting Moment=2.1364e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=3.61826e+006 lb-ft

Method: spencer

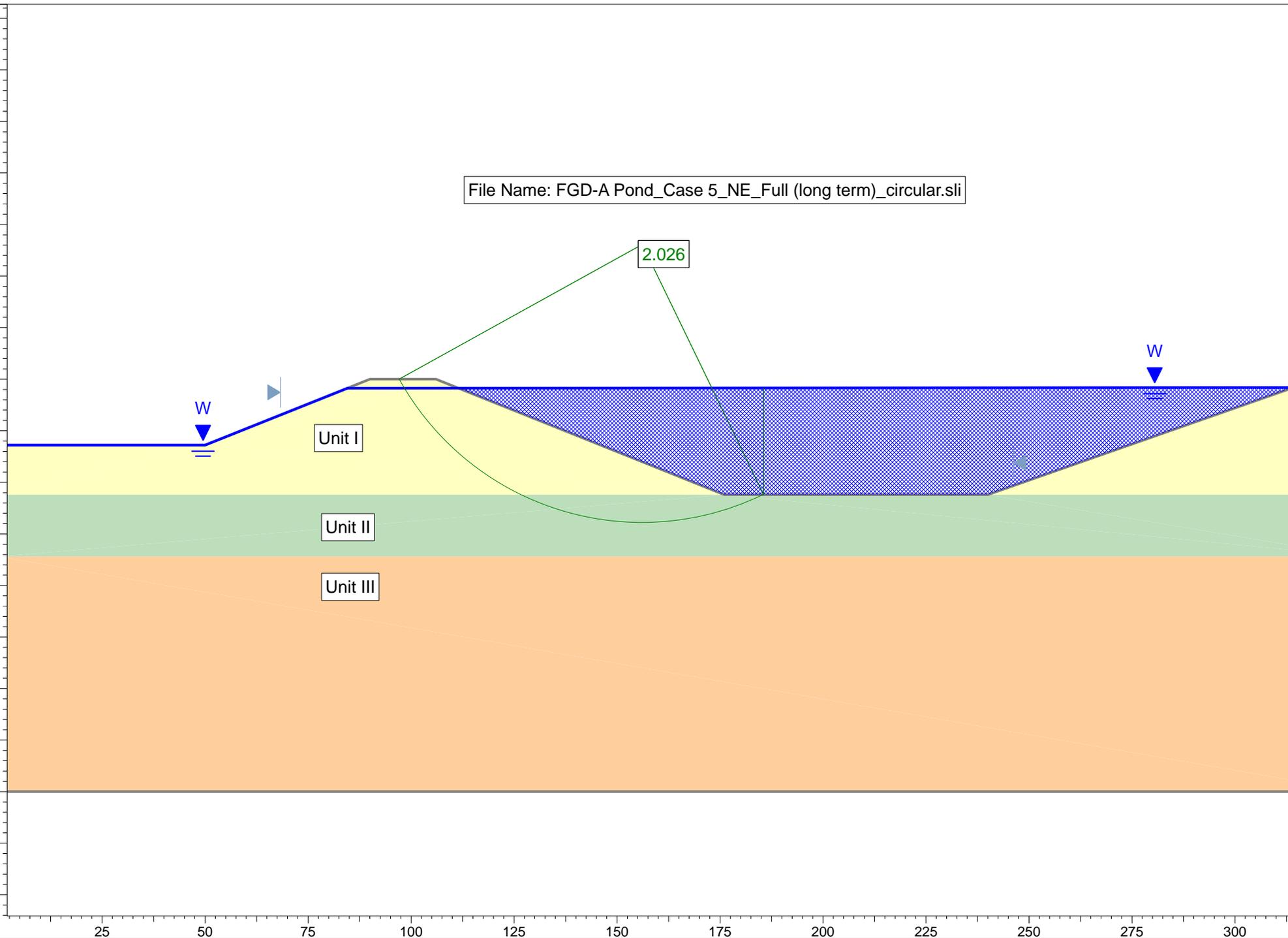
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Radius: 84.355  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 79.008, 445.603  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 217.229, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 79.008 445.603  
Right Slope Intercept: 217.229 447.909  
Resisting Moment=2.56417e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=4.31916e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=239310 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=40310.2 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 5.935700  
Center: 155.872, 479.669  
Radius: 82.531  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 80.442, 446.177  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 214.912, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 80.442 446.177  
Right Slope Intercept: 214.912 447.908  
Resisting Moment=2.44026e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=4.11115e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=232274 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=39131.7 lb

**CASE 5**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 5\_NE\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-A Pond\_Case 5\_NE\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-A Pond - Case 5 - NE Slope - Full (long term) - circular  
Failure Direction: Left to Right  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft3  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Auto Refine Search  
Divisions along slope: 15  
Circles per division: 10  
Number of iterations: 10  
Divisions to use in next iteration: 50%  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: I - Sandy Clay  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: II - Silty Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: III - Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 2.025000  
Center: 155.808, 482.619  
Radius: 67.361  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 96.872, 450.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 185.181, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 96.872 450.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 185.181 447.884  
Resisting Moment=3.43279e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.69521e+006 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 2.028540  
Center: 155.820, 482.540  
Radius: 67.234  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 96.985, 450.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 185.065, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 96.985 450.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 185.065 447.884  
Resisting Moment=3.41723e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.68458e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=43934.9 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=21658.4 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 2.025720  
Center: 155.810, 482.546  
Radius: 67.243  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 96.968, 450.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 185.065, 422.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 96.968 450.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 185.065 447.884  
Resisting Moment=3.41475e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.68569e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=43939.6 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=21690.8 lb

**APPENDIX C  
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS GEOTECHNICAL REPORT**

# Important Information About Your Geotechnical Engineering Report

*Subsurface problems are a principal cause of construction delays, cost overruns, claims, and disputes. The following information is provided to help you manage your risks.*

## Geotechnical Services Are Performed for Specific Purposes, Persons, and Projects

Geotechnical engineers structure their services to meet the specific needs of their clients. A geotechnical engineering study conducted for a civil engineer may not fulfill the needs of a construction contractor or even another civil engineer. Because each geotechnical engineering study is unique, each geotechnical engineering report is unique, prepared solely for the client. *No one except you* should rely on your geotechnical engineering report without first conferring with the geotechnical engineer who prepared it. *And no one - not even you* - should apply the report for any purpose or project except the one originally contemplated.

## A Geotechnical Engineering Report Is Based on A Unique Set of Project-Specific Factors

Geotechnical engineers consider a number of unique, Project-specific factors when establishing the scope of a study. Typical factors include the client's goals, objectives, and risk management preferences; the general nature of the structure involved, its size, and configuration; the location of the structure on the site; and other planned or existing site improvements, such as access roads, parking lots, and underground utilities. Unless the geotechnical engineer who conducted the study specifically indicates otherwise, *do not rely on a geotechnical engineering report that was:*

- not prepared for you,
- not prepared for your project.
- not prepared for the specific site explored, or
- completed before important project changes were made.

Typical changes that can erode the reliability of an existing geotechnical engineering report include those that affect:

- the function of the proposed structure, as when it's changed from a parking garage to an office building, or from a light industrial plant to a refrigerated warehouse,
- elevation, configuration, location, orientation, or weight of the proposed structure,
- composition of the design team, or
- project ownership.

As a general rule, always inform your geotechnical engineer of project changes-even minor ones-and request an assessment of their impact. *Geotechnical engineers cannot accept responsibility or liability for problems that occur because their reports do not consider developments of which they were not informed.*

## Subsurface Conditions Can Change

A geotechnical engineering report is based on conditions that existed at the time the study was performed. *Do not rely on a geotechnical engineering report* whose adequacy may have been affected by: the passage of time; by man-made events, such as construction on or adjacent to the site; or by natural events, such as floods, earthquakes, or groundwater fluctuations. *Always* contact the geotechnical engineer before applying the report to determine if it is still reliable. A minor amount of additional testing or analysis could prevent major problems.

## Most Geotechnical Findings Are Professional Opinions

Site exploration identifies subsurface conditions only at those points where subsurface tests are conducted or samples are taken. Geotechnical engineers review field and laboratory data and then apply their professional judgment to render an *opinion* about subsurface conditions throughout the site. Actual sub-surface conditions may differ - sometimes significantly - from those indicated in your report. Retaining the geotechnical engineer who developed your report to provide construction observation is the most effective method of managing the risks associated with unanticipated conditions

## A Report's Recommendations Are *Not* Final

Do not over-rely on the construction recommendations included in your report. Those *recommendations are not final*, because geotechnical engineers develop them principally from judgment and opinion. Geotechnical engineers can finalize their recommendations only by observing actual subsurface conditions revealed during construction. *The geotechnical engineer who developed your report cannot assume responsibility or liability* for the report's recommendations if that engineer does not perform construction observation.

## A Geotechnical Engineering Report Is Subject To Misinterpretation

Other design team members' misinterpretation of geotechnical engineering reports has resulted in costly problems. Lower that risk by having your geotechnical engineer confer with appropriate members of the design team after submitting the report. Also retain your geotechnical engineer to review pertinent elements of the design team's plans and specifications. Contractors can also misinterpret a geotechnical engineering report. Reduce that risk by having your geotechnical engineer participate in prebid and preconstruction conferences, and by providing construction observation.

## Do Not Redraw the Engineer's Logs

Geotechnical engineers prepare final boring and testing logs based upon their interpretation of field logs and laboratory data. To prevent errors or omissions, the logs included in a geotechnical engineering report should never be redrawn for inclusion in architectural or other design drawings. Only photo graphic or electronic reproduction is acceptable, *but recognize that separating logs from the report can elevate risk.*

## Give Contractors a Complete Report and Guidance

Some owners and design professionals mistakenly believe they can make contractors liable for unanticipated subsurface conditions by limiting what they provide for bid preparation. To help prevent costly problems, give contractors the complete geotechnical engineering report, but preface it with a clearly written letter of transmittal. In that letter, advise contractors that the report was not prepared for purposes of bid development and that the report's accuracy is limited; encourage them to confer with the geotechnical engineer who prepared the report (a modest fee may be required) and/or to conduct additional study to obtain the specific types of information they need or prefer. A brand conference can also be valuable. *Be sure contractors have sufficient time* to perform additional study. Only then might you be in a position to give contractors the best information available to you, while requiring them to at least share some of the financial responsibilities stemming from unanticipated conditions.

## Read Responsibility Provisions Closely

Some clients, design professionals, and contractors do not recognize that geotechnical engineering is far less exact than other engineering disciplines. This lack of understanding has created unrealistic expectations that have led to disappointments, claims, and disputes. To help reduce such risks, geotechnical engineers commonly include a variety of explanatory provisions in their reports. Sometimes labeled "limitations", many of these provisions indicate where geotechnical engineers responsibilities begin and end, to help others recognize their own responsibilities and risks. Read these provisions closely. Ask questions. Your geotechnical engineer should respond fully and frankly.

## Geoenvironmental Concerns Are Not Covered

The equipment, techniques, and personnel used to perform a geoenvironmental study differ significantly from those used to perform a geotechnical study. For that reason, a geotechnical engineering report does not usually relate any geoenvironmental findings, conclusions, or recommendations: e.g., about the likelihood of encountering underground storage tanks or regulated contaminants. *Unanticipated environmental problems have led to numerous project failures.* If you have not yet obtained your own geoenvironmental information, ask your geotechnical consultant for risk management guidance. *Do not rely on an environmental report prepared for someone else.*

## Rely on Your Geotechnical Engineer for Additional Assistance

Membership in ASFE exposes geotechnical engineers to a wide army of risk management techniques that can be of genuine benefit for everyone involved with a construction project. Confer with your ASFE-member geotechnical engineer for more information.

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# FGD-B SLOPE STABILITY INVESTIGATION REPORT (REVISED)

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Project Description

Luminant Power (Luminant) operates the Oak Grove Power Plant, a lignite-fueled power plant near Franklin, Robertson County, Texas. The location of the Oak Grove Power Plant is presented on Figure 1. Unit 1 began operations in 2009 and Unit 2 is under development. As part of the current site development, the existing FGD-B pond is being redesigned. The FGD-B Pond is located on the northern portion of the facility (see Figure 2). The FGD-B pond will encompass an area of approximately 12.5 acres and will have a storage capacity of approximately 30 million gallons.

Golder Associates Inc. (Golder) has been contracted by Luminant to perform a geotechnical site investigation at the facility and analyze the FGD-B pond slope stability. This report presents the findings of the field investigation, boring logs, laboratory test results, a description of the subsurface soil conditions, and results of the slope stability analyses.

### 1.2 Scope of the Investigation

The scope of this investigation included:

- Drilling and sampling of six (6) geotechnical soil borings,
- Laboratory testing of representative soil samples,
- Characterization of subsurface conditions, and
- Slope stability analyses.

The subsurface investigation was performed on March 24 and 25, 2010.

### 1.3 Coordinate System and Unit System

The soils borings were located by Golder with reference to latitude and longitude using handheld Global Positioning System (GPS) survey equipment. We have converted this information to the local plant grid coordinate system. All elevations are referenced to mean sea level (msl).

This report is presented using U.S. customary (or English) units.

## 2.0 SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION

Golder performed a subsurface investigation that included six (6) soil borings. Four (4) borings were drilled to a depth of 30 feet below ground surface (bgs) and two (2) borings were drilled to a depth of 50 feet bgs. Table 1 provides the boring coordinates and elevations. Elevations were estimated based on topographic information provided by Burns & McDonnell. Boring locations are shown on Figure 3.

**TABLE 1. BORING COORDINATES**

Boring Number	Easting (ft)	Northing (ft)	Elevation (ft-msl)	Boring Depth (ft)
BH-FGD-101	E 2535	N 5323	421	30
BH-FGD-102	E 2721	N 5612	421	30
BH-FGD-103	E 3146	N 5863	426	50
BH-FGD-104	E 3455	N 5534	425	30
BH-FGD-105	E 3149	N 5129	449	50
BH-FGD-106	E 2675	N 4731	425	30

### 2.1 Soil Boring Procedures

The borings were drilled by Van and Sons Drilling Service, Inc. using an all terrain truck-mounted drilling rig and rotary drilling methods with hollow stem augers. Soil samples were collected at 2-foot intervals within the top 10 feet of the boring and at 5-foot intervals below 10 feet. The boring logs from the site investigation are included as Appendix A.

Disturbed soil samples were obtained in sand using an ASTM standard split spoon sampler, i.e., 2-inch outer diameter and 1-3/8-- inch inner diameter. Standard Penetration Tests (SPT) were conducted during sampling. Sampling and testing were carried out in general agreement with the guidelines in ASTM D1586.

SPTs involve counting the number of blows of a 140 lb hammer dropping 30 inches needed for the sampler to penetrate three successive 6-inch increments into the soil. The reported N value is the number of blows required to penetrate the second and third 6-inch intervals, with units of blows/12 inches. In some hard clays and very dense sands, 50 blows were insufficient to advance the sampler 6 inches and penetration "refusal" was encountered. In this case the N value is not obtained and the incomplete penetration is recorded. This is registered in the boring logs as, for example, 50/5 in., i.e. 50 blows with only 5 inches of penetration.

Select samples were obtained in clayey soils using steel Shelby tubes. Shelby tubes were 30-inch long and 3-inch outer diameter (OD). The inside diameter was 2.87 inch giving an area ratio of 9% ( $C_a = 100 \times$

$(OD^2 - ID^2)/ID^2$ ). These Shelby tubes have a cutting edge diameter ( $D_e$ ) of 2.85 in., thus an inside clearance ratio ( $C_i = 100 \times (ID - D_e)/D_e$ ) equal to 0.7%. The recovery ratio (length recovered/length pushed) is typically variable and dependent on the soil stiffness, with higher recovery values generally obtained in softer clays. The recovery ratio is reported in the individual boring logs.

All borings were sampled by a Golder field engineer and the soils were described using the Unified Soil Classification System (ASTM D 2487). The soil description included a density or consistency qualifier, color, structural characteristics when evident, composition with major component in capital letters, and minor characteristics.

After visual classification, recovered samples from SPTs were placed in plastic bags to preserve the natural moisture content. After retrieval and visual soil identification of each Shelby tube sample, a pocket penetrometer test was performed at the bottom end of the sample. Shelby tubes were extruded in the field and the recovered samples were placed in plastic storage tubes and plastic bags to preserve the moisture content. All samples were labeled and transported back to the Golder's Houston office for laboratory soils testing.

Boring logs were prepared from the field logs using the software package gINT v. 8.1.021. The boring logs are provided in Appendix A.

Following the completion of each soil boring in the FGD-B Pond, the boreholes were backfilled with bentonite pellets to the surface.

## 2.2 Laboratory Testing

Laboratory testing was performed on selected samples, in accordance with commonly accepted methods and practices. Undisturbed and disturbed soil samples were tested to determine water content, Atterberg limits, grain size distribution, and shear strength. Water content determination was performed in accordance with ASTM D2216; Atterberg limits were determined in accordance with ASTM D4318; and grain size distribution was performed in accordance with ASTM D422. Shear strength testing consisted of unconsolidated-undrained (UU) and consolidated-undrained (CU) triaxial compression tests in general accordance with ASTM D2850 and D4767, respectively. Laboratory data summary sheets are presented in Appendix B. Laboratory test result sheets are presented in Appendix C.

## 2.3 Subsurface Conditions

The soils encountered in the borings generally consisted of very stiff to hard clays and compact to very dense sands. The surficial soils were generally classified as very stiff to hard sandy (lean and fat) clay and ranged in thickness from 8 to 27 feet. The surficial clay stratum was underlain by layers of compact to very dense sand, clayey sand, silty sand, and/or very stiff to hard silty clay or clay. All of the borings

except BH-FGD-103 were terminated in a stratum of compact to very dense silty sand. BH-FGD-103 was terminated in a layer of very stiff to hard lean clay.

Groundwater was encountered in 3 of the 6 borings. Groundwater elevations encountered during drilling ranged from EL 394 to 403 ft. The FGD-B pond design assumes that the high groundwater elevation is EL 410 ft at the southwest end of the pond and EL 403 ft at the northeast end. The design high groundwater elevations were used in our analyses.

### 3.0 STABILITY ANALYSES

Slope stability analyses were performed using the commercial slope stability software program, SLIDE Version 3.047. The site topography and geometry used in the analyses were determined from site survey and design data provided by Burns and McDonnell, as shown in Figure 4. Stability analyses were performed for 3 separate slope sections (west, east, and north sideslopes) to assess the various soil conditions and slope geometries around the pond; analysis locations are shown on Figure 3. Stability analyses also considered “empty pond” and “full pond” conditions.

The most critical slope geometry was identified along the east sideslope, consisting of an approximately 34-foot high, 2.6H:1V slope. Stability analyses for the east sideslope also considered the effects of the existing FGD pond located adjacent to the east sideslope.

#### 3.1 Soil Properties

For each slope section, a conservative, generalized subsurface stratigraphy was developed based on soil boring information and laboratory soil testing results from the borings conducted as part of this investigation. The soil properties assumed for the slope sections are provided in Tables 2, 3, and 4. The fill required to construct the FGD-B pond was assumed to have the same properties as the in situ clay soils.

**TABLE 2. SOIL MATERIAL PROPERTIES FOR WEST SIDESLOPE SECTION**

Soil Material	Description	Moist Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Saturated Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Undrained Soil Properties		Drained Soil Properties	
				Undrained Shear Strength, $S_u$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Friction Angle, $\phi$ (°)	Cohesion, $c'$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Friction Angle, $\phi'$ (°)
I	Clay/ Silty Clay/ Sandy Clay	127	132	3000	0	270	26
II	Sand/ Silty Sand	127	132	0	36	0	36
	Structural Fill	127	132	3000	0	270	26

**TABLE 3. SOIL MATERIAL PROPERTIES FOR EAST SIDESLOPE SECTION**

Soil Material	Description	Moist Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Saturated Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Undrained Soil Properties		Drained Soil Properties	
				Undrained Shear Strength, $S_u$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Friction Angle, $\phi$ (°)	Cohesion, $c'$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Friction Angle, $\phi'$ (°)
I	Clay/ Silty Clay/ Sandy Clay	127	132	3000	0	270	26
II	Sandy Silt	127	132	2000	0	0	26
III	Sand/ Silty Sand	127	132	0	36	0	36
	Structural Fill	127	132	3000	0	270	26

**TABLE 4. SOIL MATERIAL PROPERTIES FOR NORTH SIDESLOPE SECTION**

Soil Material	Description	Moist Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Saturated Unit Weight (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Undrained Soil Properties		Drained Soil Properties	
				Undrained Shear Strength, $S_u$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Friction Angle, $\phi$ (°)	Cohesion, $c'$ (lb/ft <sup>2</sup> )	Friction Angle, $\phi'$ (°)
I	Clay/ Silty Clay/ Sandy Clay	127	132	3000	0	270	26
II	Sandy Silt/ Silty Sand	127	132	0	32	0	32
	Structural Fill	127	132	3000	0	270	26

### 3.2 Slope Stability Results

Slope stability analyses were performed for both short-term and long-term conditions using undrained and drained soil properties, respectively. The results of the analyses are provided in Table 5. SLIDE output files are included in Appendix D. A factor of safety of 1.5 is typically considered adequate for permanent slopes. The minimum calculated factor of safety from our analyses is 1.75. Therefore, our analyses indicate that the proposed slopes will be stable.

Rapid drawdown analyses were not performed because the planned pond operation does not include conditions that would cause a rapid drawdown.

**TABLE 5. SLOPE STABILITY FACTORS OF SAFETY**

<b>Case</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Factor of Safety</b>
1	West sideslope; empty pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	10.0
2	West sideslope; empty pond; long-term (drained) conditions	3.6
3	West sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	14.7
4	West sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	4.3
5	East sideslope; empty pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	3.6
6	East sideslope; empty pond; long-term (drained) conditions	2.3
7	East sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	3.6
8	East sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions; circular failure	1.9
8A	East sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions; block failure	1.75
9	North sideslope; empty pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	8.6
10	North sideslope; empty pond; long-term (drained) conditions	3.4
11	North sideslope; full pond; short-term (undrained) conditions	13.0
12	North sideslope; full pond; long-term (drained) conditions	4.0

#### 4.0 IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Attention is drawn to the document - "Important Information About Your Geotechnical Engineering Report", which is included in Appendix E of this report. This document has been prepared by the ASFE (Professional Firms Practicing in the Geosciences), of which Golder is a member. The statements presented in this document are intended to advise owners of what their realistic expectations of this report should be, and to present recommendations on how to minimize the risks associated with the groundworks for this project. The document is not intended to reduce the level of responsibility accepted by Golder, but rather to ensure that all parties who may rely on this report are aware of the responsibilities each assumes in so doing.

Golder appreciates the opportunity to assist Luminant with this project. If you have any questions, or require further assistance from Golder, please contact the undersigned at (281) 821-6868.

Very truly yours,

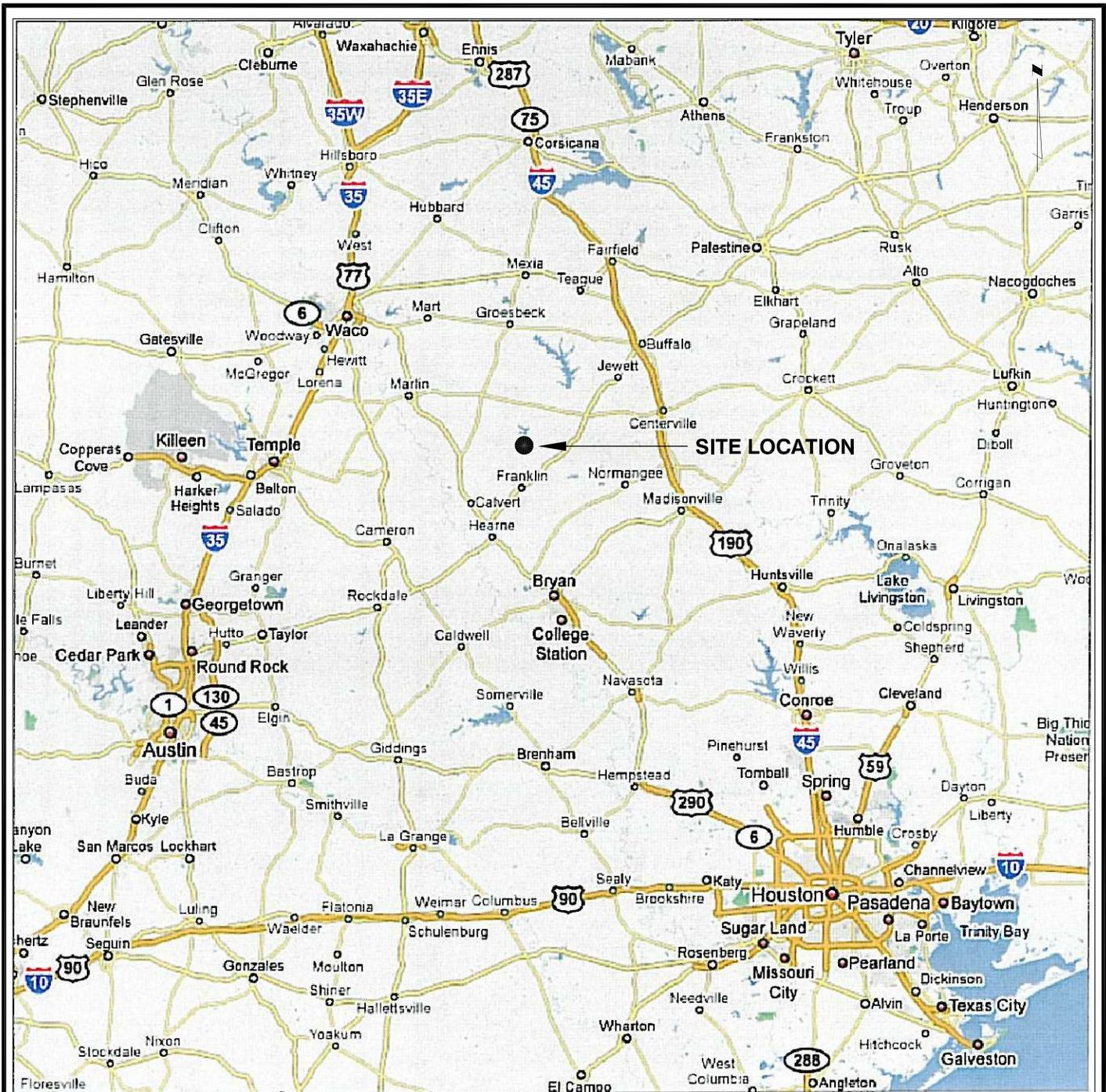
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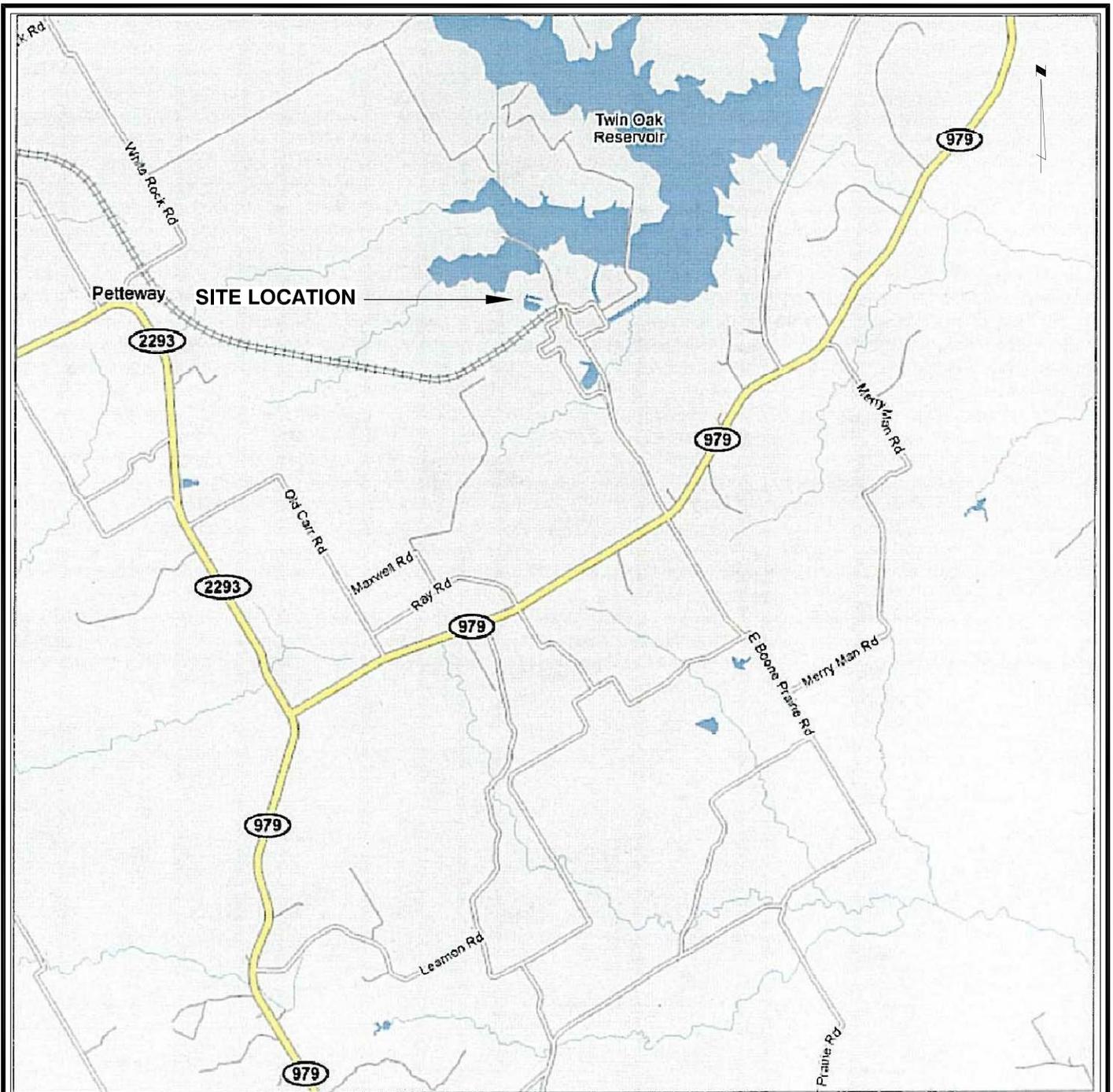
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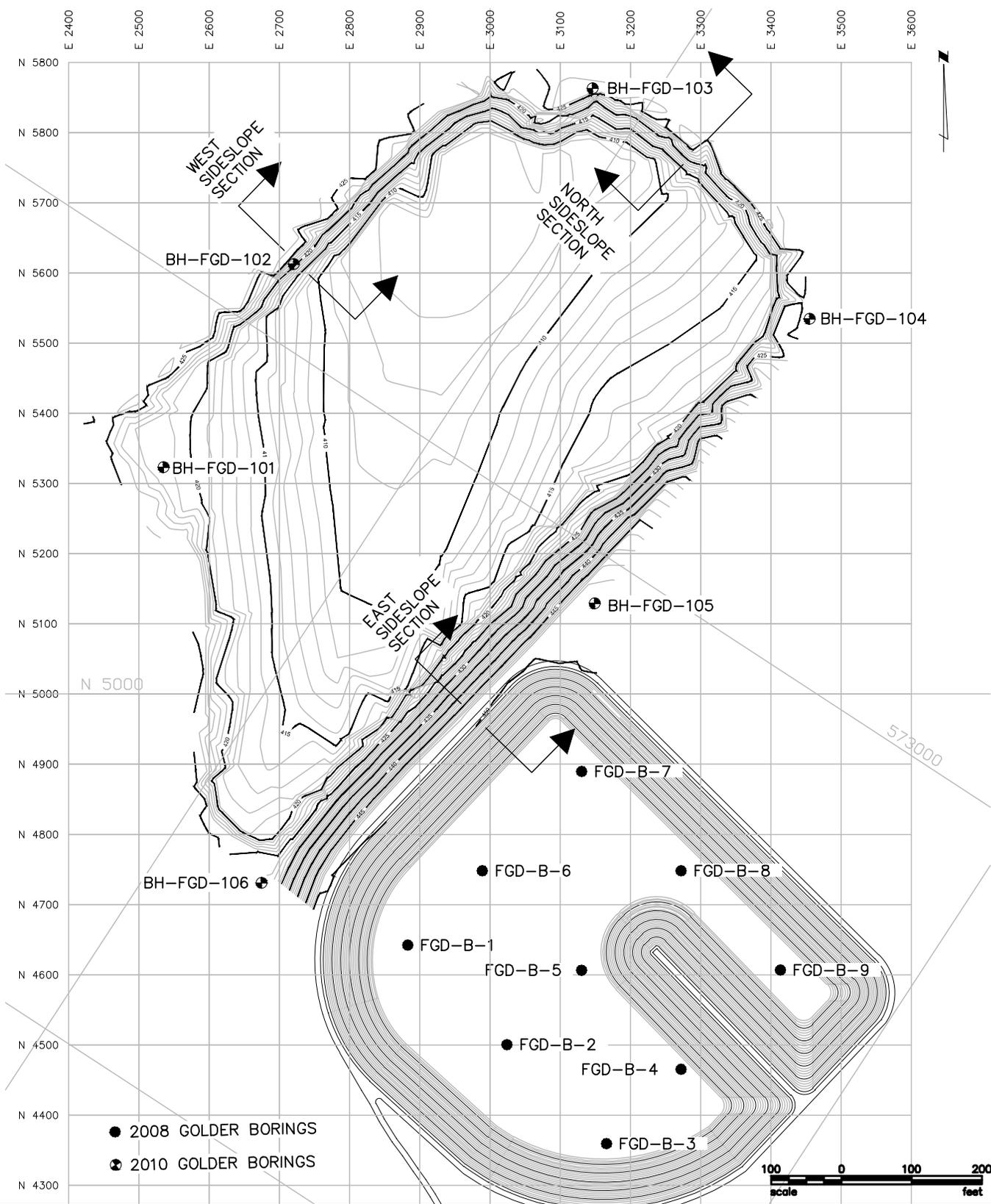
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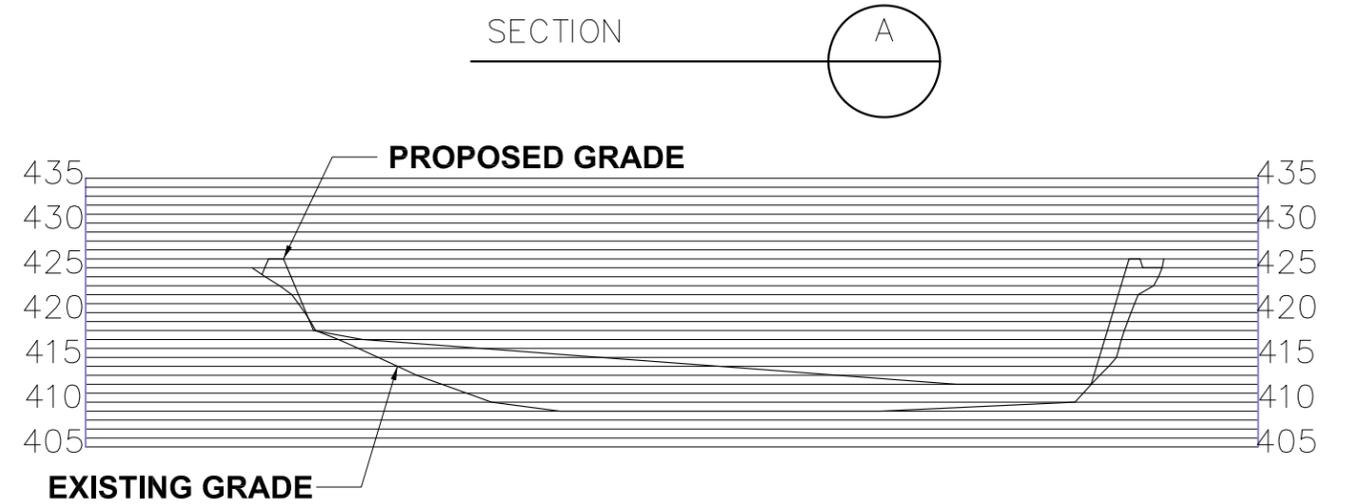
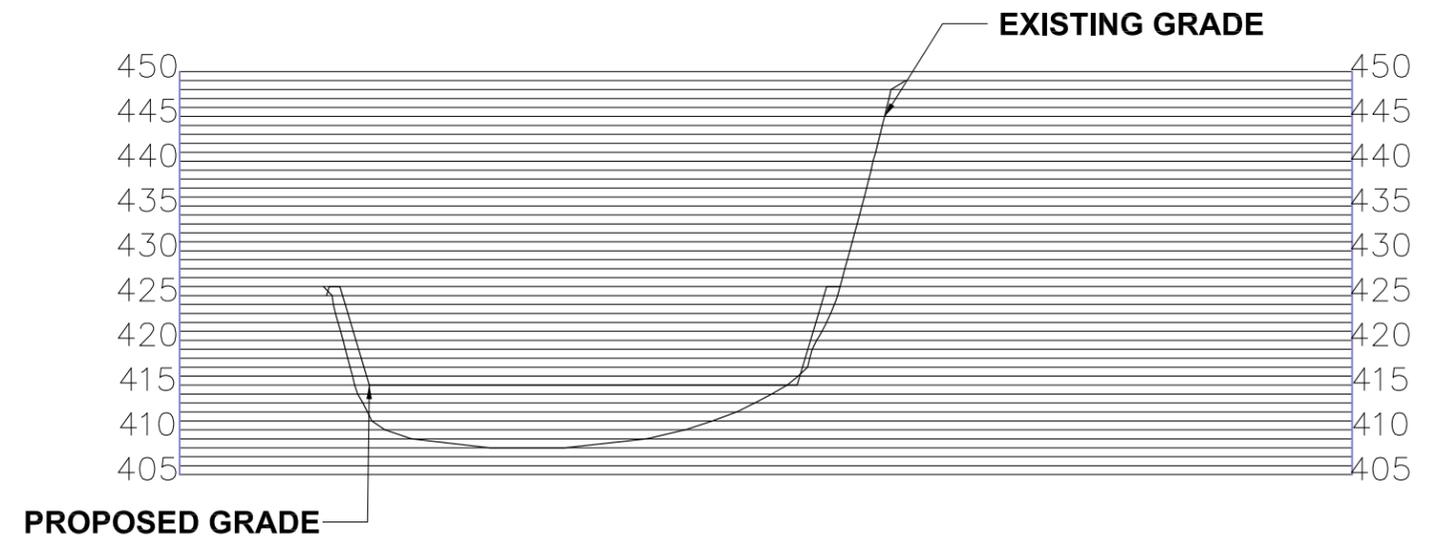
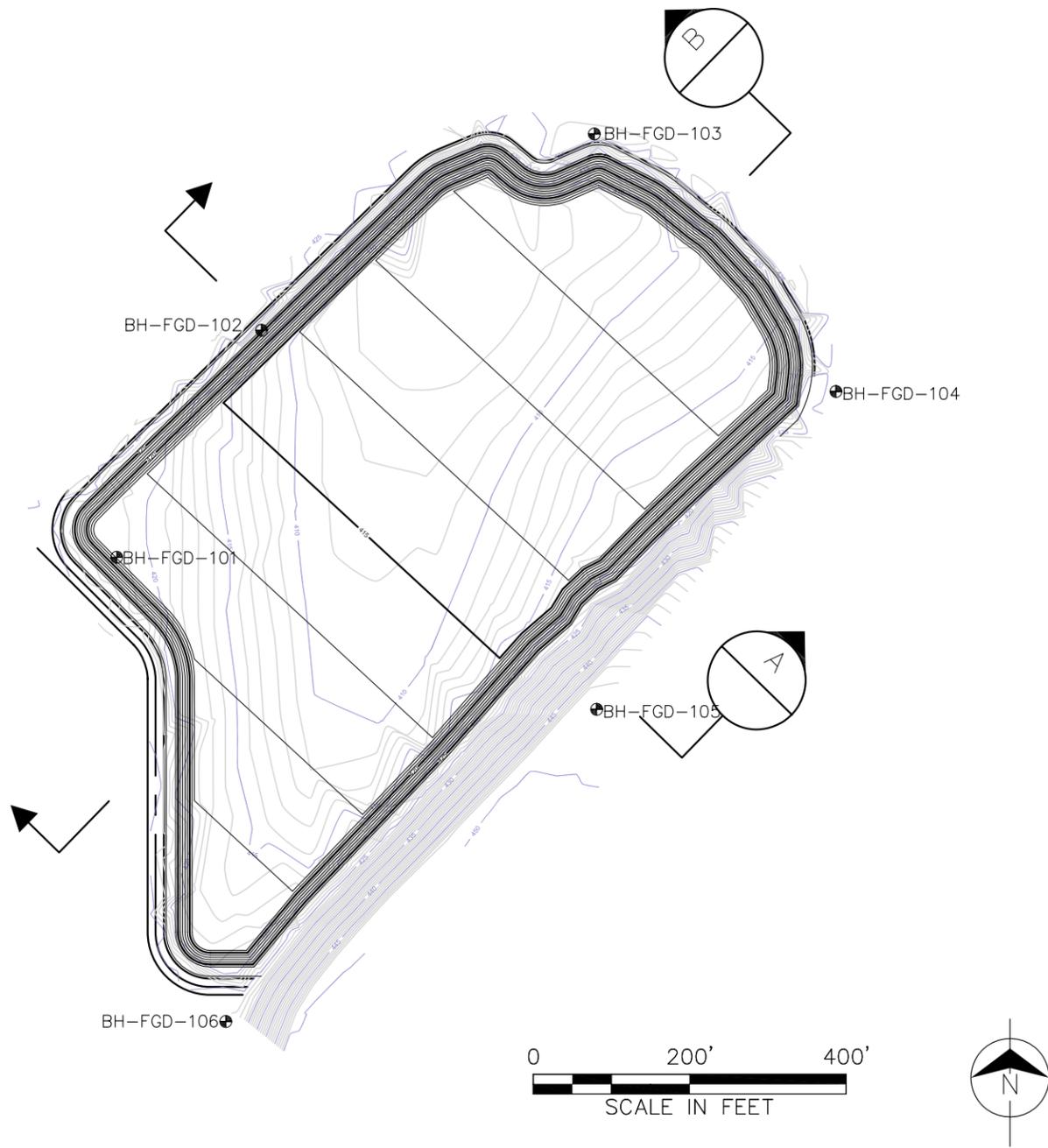


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PROJECT  
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 LUMINANT OAK GROVE SES  
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Note: Figure based on information provided to Golder by Burns & McDonnell.



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**PROPOSED PLAN AND CROSS SECTIONS**

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**APPENDIX A  
BORING LOGS**

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-101

SHEET 1 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 25-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5323  
EASTING (ft): 2535  
ELEVATION (ft): 421

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	1000	2000	3000	4000	20	40	60		
0		Cleared ground		421.0													
		Very stiff, mottled, sandy lean CLAY (CL), damp			88	SH											
		hard, mottled reddish brown at 2.0'			89	SH											
		trace silt at 4.0'			90	SH											
5		very stiff, reddish brown and light gray, some silt at 6.0'			91	SH											
		Dense, grayish brown, SAND (SP-SM), with silt, damp		8.0	92	SH											
10		Very stiff, grayish brown, clayey fine SAND (SC), with some silt, layered gray and light brown at 13.5'		13.0	93	SH											
15		Very dense, light brown, fine, poorly-graded SAND (SP), damp		18.0	94	SS	35 50/6" N>50										
20		little clay at 23.0'			95	SS	40 50/4" N>50										
25		dense, wet at 28.0'			96	SS	7 14 21 N35										
30		BORING TERMINATED AT 30.0'															
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CHECKED: PCM

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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-101

SHEET 2 OF 2

DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig

NORTHING (ft): 5323

LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING FINISHED: 25-Mar-2010

DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

EASTING (ft): 2535

ELEVATION (ft): 421

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE			SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



LOGGED: DM  
CHECKED: PCM

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-102

SHEET 1 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5612  
EASTING (ft): 2721  
ELEVATION (ft): 421

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	1000	2000	3000	4000	20	40	60		
0		Grass		421.0													
		Hard, mottled light brown, sandy lean CLAY (CL), damp			79	SH											
		very stiff, brown at 2.0'			80	SH											
		hard at 4.0'			81	SH											
5		light gray, moist at 6.0'			82	SH											
		very stiff at 8.0'			83	SH											
10																	
		little silt at 13.0'			84	SH											
15																	
		Stiff, light to dark gray, silty fat CLAY (CH), trace sand, moist		18.0	85	SH											
20																	
		Stiff, gray, sandy lean CLAY (CL), trace silt, moist		23.0	86	SH											
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		Very dense, light brown, fine, poorly-graded SAND (SP-SM), with clay, wet BORING TERMINATED AT 30.0'		28.0	87	SS											
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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



LOGGED: DM  
CHECKED: PCM

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-102

SHEET 2 OF 2

DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig

NORTHING (ft): 5612

LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

EASTING (ft): 2721

ELEVATION (ft): 421

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	CU - ● P.P. - ⊕ Field Vane Shear ■ UU - ⊕ TORV. - ▲ UCS - ✱				PL  -----○W-----  LL				
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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



LOGGED: DM  
CHECKED: PCM

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-103

SHEET 1 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5863  
EASTING (ft): 3146  
ELEVATION (ft): 426

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	1000	2000	3000	4000	20	40	60		
0		Grass		426.0													
		Very soft to soft, light brown, sandy fat CLAY (CH), trace roots, damp			66	SH											
		stiff at 2.0'			67	SH				⊕							
		light brown to dark grayish brown at 4.0'			68	SH				⊕							
5		hard at 6.0'			69	SH											
		mottled at 8.0'			70	SH											
10					71	SH											
15					72	SH											
		Stiff, brown, silty CLAY (CL-ML), with sand, trace lignite, moist		18.0						⊕							
20					73	SH											
		stiff to very stiff, mottled, damp at 23.0'			74	SH											
25					75	SH											
		Stiff, mottled, sandy lean CLAY (CL), damp		28.0													
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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-103

SHEET 2 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5863  
EASTING (ft): 3146  
ELEVATION (ft): 426

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	1000	2000	3000	4000	PL	W	LL		
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				30.0													
		Compact, light gray, SILT (ML), with sand, wet		33.0													
		Firm, light gray and brown, silty SAND (SM), wet		33.7	75	SH	8 9 7 8 N16	67									
35																	
		Very stiff, mottled light gray, lean CLAY (CL), trace lignite, trace sand, wet		38.0	76	SH		57									
40																	
		hard at 43.0'			77	SH		27									
45																	
		interbedded with sand layers at 48.0'			78	SH		37									
50		BORING TERMINATED AT 50.0'		50.0													
55																	
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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



LOGGED: DM  
CHECKED: PCM

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-104

SHEET 1 OF 2

DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
 LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
 BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
 DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5534  
 EASTING (ft): 3455  
 ELEVATION (ft): 425

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	1000	2000	3000	4000	20	40	60		
0		Grass		425.0													
		Very stiff, light brown to dark brown, sandy lean CLAY (CL), damp			57	SH											
		hard, light brown at 2.0'			58	SH											
		mottled to dark brown, trace silt at 4.0'			59	SH											
5		grayish brown at 6.0'			60	SH											
					61	SH											
10					62	SH											
		very stiff, moist at 13.0'			63	SH											
15					64	SS	5 9 14 N23										
		hard, damp at 18.0'			65	SS	11 12 19 N31										
20		Very dense, grayish brown, medium to fine, silty clayey SAND (SC/SM), trace organic		18.5													
		Compact, light brown and gray, poorly-graded SAND (SP-SM), with silt, wet		23.0													
25																	
		Dense, fine, silty SAND (SM), trace clay		28.0													
30																	
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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



LOGGED: DM  
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# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-104

SHEET 2 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5534  
EASTING (ft): 3455  
ELEVATION (ft): 425

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	1000	2000	3000	4000	PL	W	LL		
30		--- CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE ---															
		BORING TERMINATED AT 30.0'		30.0													
35																	
40																	
45																	
50																	
55																	
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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



LOGGED: DM  
CHECKED: PCM

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-105

SHEET 1 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5129  
EASTING (ft): 3149  
ELEVATION (ft): 449

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	1000	2000	3000	4000	PL	W	LL		
0		Grass		449.0													
		Very stiff, mottled dark brown, sandy fat CLAY (CH), trace organics, damp			44	SH											
		hard, light brown at 2.0'			45	SH											
		dark brown at 4.0'			46	SH											
5		light brown at 6.0'			47	SH											
					48	SH											
					49	SH											
10		mottled, trace lignite at 13.0'			50	SH											
					51	SH											
15		very stiff, dark gray at 18.0'			52	SH											
20					53	SH											
25		hard, dark brown at 23.0'			54	SH											
					55	SH											
30		Very stiff, mottled dark gray to brown, silty CLAY (CL-ML), few sand, moist		28.0	52	SH											
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(3) CU c'=278 psf  
phi'=26 deg

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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



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CHECKED: PCM

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-105

SHEET 2 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 24-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 24-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 5129  
EASTING (ft): 3149  
ELEVATION (ft): 449

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	1000	2000	3000	4000	PL	W	LL		
30		--- CONTINUED FROM PREVIOUS PAGE ---															
			30.0														
		Stiff, black, sandy SILT (ML), trace clay, some organics, some wood fragments, moist	33.0														
		Stiff, dark brown, fat CLAY (CH), trace organics, trace sand, moist	33.8	53	SH		50										
35																	
		Very dense, light brown, fine, poorly-graded SAND (SP), trace clay, damp	38.0	54	SS	50/6" N>50	56										
40																	
		Very dense, light brown, fine, poorly-graded SAND (SP-SM), with silt, moist	43.0	55	SS	24 34 38 N72	67										
45																	
		Very dense, grayish brown, silty SAND (SM), trace clay, moist	48.0	56	SS	22 26 50/5" N>50	83										
50		BORING TERMINATED AT 50.0'															
			50.0														
55																	
60																	

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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



LOGGED: DM  
CHECKED: PCM

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-106

SHEET 1 OF 2  
DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING STARTED: 23-Mar-2010  
BORING FINISHED: 23-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig  
DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

NORTHING (ft): 4731  
EASTING (ft): 2675  
ELEVATION (ft): 425

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE		SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE		BLOWS/0.5 FT	1000	2000	3000	4000	PL	W	LL		
0		Grass		425.0													
		Stiff, mottled dark gray, sandy lean CLAY (CL), trace silt, damp			97	SH											
		light brown to dark brown at 2.0'			98	SH											
		hard, brownish red, moist at 4.0'			99	SH											
5		damp at 6.0'			100	SH											
		mottled brownish red at 8.0'			101	SH											
10																	
		mottled gray, little silt at 13.0'			102	SH											
15																	
					103	SH											
20																	
		Compact, light gray, fine silty SAND (SM), moist		23.0	104	SH											
25																	
		wet at 28.0'			105	SS	7 10 17 N27										
30																	
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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



LOGGED: DM  
CHECKED: PCM

# RECORD OF BOREHOLE BH-FGD-106

SHEET 2 OF 2

DATUM: GEODETIC

PROJECT: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation

BORING STARTED: 23-Mar-2010

DRILLING EQUIPMENT: Buggy Mounted Rig

NORTHING (ft): 4731

LOCATION: Oak Grove, Texas

BORING FINISHED: 23-Mar-2010

DRILLING OPERATOR: Van & Sons

EASTING (ft): 2675

ELEVATION (ft): 425

DEPTH SCALE FEET	BORING METHOD	SOIL PROFILE			SAMPLES			RECOVERY %	UNDRAINED SHEAR STRENGTH Cu (psf)				WATER CONTENT PERCENT				ADDITIONAL LAB. TESTING	INSTALLATION NOTES AND GROUNDWATER OBSERVATIONS
		DESCRIPTION	STRATA PLOT	ELEV. DEPTH (ft)	NUMBER	TYPE	BLOWS/0.5 FT		CU - ● P.P. - ⊕ Field Vane Shear ■ UU - ⊕ TORV. - ▲ UCS - ✱				PL  -----○W-----  LL					
								1000	2000	3000	4000	20	40	60	80			
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		BORING TERMINATED AT 30.0'				30.0												
35																		
40																		
45																		
50																		
55																		
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DEPTH SCALE  
1 inch to 3.8 feet



LOGGED: DM  
CHECKED: PCM

**APPENDIX B  
LABORATORY TEST SUMMARY SHEETS**

**SUMMARY OF SOIL DATA AND LABORATORY TEST RESULTS**

Sample				SPT N Value (blows/ 1 ft)	Moisture Content (%)	Soil Description	Atterberg Limits					Particle Size Analysis				Dry Unit wt (pcf)	Moist Unit wt (pcf)	CU Triaxial		UU Triaxial		Consolidation				Organic Content (%)		
Borehole Number	Sample Number	Depth Interval (ft-bgs)	Elevation of Top (ft)				Sample Type	LL	PL	PI	LI	USCS	Gravel (%)	Sand (%)	Silt (%)			Clay (%)	c' (psf)	phi' (deg)	UU - c <sub>u</sub> (psf)	Confining Pressure (psf)	Type	Cc <sub>c</sub>	Cr <sub>c</sub>		σ' <sub>v</sub> (psf)	Gs
BH-FGD-101	88	0.0-2.0		SH		18.2	Very stiff, mottled, sandy lean CLAY (CL), damp																					
BH-FGD-101	89	2.0-4.0		SH		11.9	hard, mottled reddish brown at 2.0'																					
BH-FGD-101	90	4.0-6.0		SH		18.4	trace silt at 4.0'																					
BH-FGD-101	91	6.0-8.0		SH		13.6	very stiff, reddish brown and light gray, some silt at 6.0'																					
BH-FGD-101	92	8.0-10.0		SH		18.4	Dense, grayish brown, SAND (SP-SM), with silt, damp																					
BH-FGD-101	93	13.0-15.5		SH		27.0	Very stiff, grayish brown, clayey fine SAND (SC), with some silt, layered																					
BH-FGD-101		-					gray and light brown at 13.5'																					
BH-FGD-101	94	18.0-20.0		SS	50	25.5	Very dense, light brown, fine, poorly-graded SAND (SP), damp																					
BH-FGD-101	95	23.0-25.0		SS	50	27.6	little clay at 23.0'																					
BH-FGD-101	96	28.0-30.0		SS	35	28.7	dense, wet at 28.0'																					
BH-FGD-101		-					BORING TERMINATED AT 30.0'																					

SUMMARY SHEET - 9458 LUMINANT - 94583GINT.GPJ GDR - HOU.GDT 4/27/10



Project: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
 Location: Oak Grove, Texas

SUMMARY OF SOIL DATA AND LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

Sample				SPT N Value (blows/ 1 ft)	Moisture Content (%)	Soil Description	Atterberg Limits					Particle Size Analysis				Dry Unit wt (pcf)	Moist Unit wt (pcf)	CU Triaxial		UU Triaxial		Consolidation				Organic Content (%)		
Borehole Number	Sample Number	Depth Interval (ft-bgs)	Elevation of Top (ft)				Sample Type	LL	PL	PI	LI	USCS	Gravel (%)	Sand (%)	Silt (%)			Clay (%)	c' (psf)	phi' (deg)	UU - c <sub>u</sub> (psf)	Confining Pressure (psf)	Type	Cc <sub>c</sub>	Cr <sub>c</sub>		σ' <sub>p</sub> (psf)	Gs
BH-FGD-102	79	0.0-2.0		SH	20.1																							
BH-FGD-102	80	2.0-4.0		SH	8.3																							
BH-FGD-102	81	4.0-6.0		SH	14.1																							
BH-FGD-102	82	6.0-8.0		SH	17.9																							
BH-FGD-102	83	8.0-10.0		SH	20.0																							
BH-FGD-102	89	13.0-15.0		SH	20.7																							
BH-FGD-102	85	18.0-20.0		SH	25.1	54	22	32	0.08																			
BH-FGD-102	86	23.0-25.0		SH	23.3																							
BH-FGD-102	87	28.0-30.0		SS	72	26.7					0.0	75.2	24.8															
BH-FGD-102		-																										

SUMMARY SHEET - 94563 LUMINANT - 94563 GINT.GPJ GDR - HOUGDT 4/23/10



Project: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
 Location: Oak Grove, Texas

SUMMARY OF SOIL DATA AND LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

Sample				SPT N Value (blows/ 1 ft)	Moisture Content (%)	Soil Description	Atterberg Limits					Particle Size Analysis				Dry Unit wt (pcf)	Moist Unit wt (pcf)	CU Triaxial		UU Triaxial		Consolidation				Organic Content (%)		
Borehole Number	Sample Number	Depth Interval (ft-bgs)	Elevation of Top (ft)				Sample Type	LL	PL	PI	LI	USCS	Gravel (%)	Sand (%)	Silt (%)			Clay (%)	c' (psf)	phi' (deg)	UU - c <sub>u</sub> (psf)	Confining Pressure (psf)	Type	Cc <sub>c</sub>	Cr <sub>c</sub>		σ' <sub>v</sub> (psf)	Gs
BH-FGD-103	66	0.0-2.0		SH	18.9	Very soft to soft, light brown, sandy fat CLAY (CH), trace roots, damp																						
BH-FGD-103	67	2.0-4.0		SH	18.3	stiff at 2.0'																						
BH-FGD-103	68	4.0-6.0		SH	18.8	light brown to dark grayish brown at 4.0'																						
BH-FGD-103	69	6.0-8.0		SH	14.9	hard at 6.0'																						
BH-FGD-103	70	8.0-10.0		SH	15.0	53	18	36	-0.08					109.6	126.0		4900	1123										
BH-FGD-103	71	13.0-15.0		SH	19.0	63	20	43	-0.02					105.0	125.0		4400	1541										
BH-FGD-103	72	18.0-20.0		SH	22.5	Stiff, brown, silty CLAY (CL-ML), with sand, trace lignite, moist																						
BH-FGD-103	73	23.0-25.0		SH	20.6	stiff to very stiff, mottled, damp at 23.0'																						
BH-FGD-103	74	28.0-30.0		SH	19.0	38	16	22	0.12					111.6	132.8		5500	3571										
BH-FGD-103		-																										
BH-FGD-103	75	33.0-34.5		SH	16	21.3	Compact, light gray, SILT (ML), with sand, wet					0.0	39.7	60.3														
BH-FGD-103		-					Firm, light gray and brown, silty SAND (SM), wet																					
BH-FGD-103	76	38.0-40.0		SH	16.0	35	16	20	0.02					111.8	129.7		3200	4435										
BH-FGD-103	77	43.0-45.0		SH	25.7	hard at 43.0'																						
BH-FGD-103	78	48.0-50.0		SH	23.6	interbedded with sand layers at 48.0'																						
BH-FGD-103		-				BORING TERMINATED AT 50.0'																						

SUMMARY SHEET - 9455 LUMINANT STABILITY GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION - HOUSTON, TEXAS



Project: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
 Location: Oak Grove, Texas

SUMMARY OF SOIL DATA AND LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

Sample				SPT N Value (blows/ 1 ft)	Moisture Content (%)	Soil Description	Atterberg Limits					Particle Size Analysis				Dry Unit wt (pcf)	Moist Unit wt (pcf)	CU Triaxial		UU Triaxial		Consolidation				Organic Content (%)		
Borehole Number	Sample Number	Depth Interval (ft-bgs)	Elevation of Top (ft)				Sample Type	LL	PL	PI	LI	USCS	Gravel (%)	Sand (%)	Silt (%)			Clay (%)	c' (psf)	phi' (deg)	UU - c <sub>u</sub> (psf)	Confining Pressure (psf)	Type	C <sub>c</sub>	C <sub>r</sub>		σ' <sub>v</sub> (psf)	G <sub>s</sub>
BH-FGD-104	57	0.0-2.0		SH		14.7	Very stiff, light brown to dark brown, sandy lean CLAY (CL), damp																					
BH-FGD-104	58	2.0-4.0		SH		21.0	hard, light brown at 2.0'																					
BH-FGD-104	59	4.0-6.0		SH		17.6	mottled to dark brown, trace silt at 4.0'																					
BH-FGD-104	60	6.0-8.0		SH		13.3	grayish brown at 6.0'																					
BH-FGD-104	61	8.0-10.0		SH		15.6																						
BH-FGD-104	62	13.0-15.0		SH		18.6	very stiff, moist at 13.0'																					
BH-FGD-104	63	18.0-20.0		SH		15.2	hard, damp at 18.0'																					
BH-FGD-104		-					Very dense, grayish brown, medium to fine, silty clayey SAND (SC/SM), trace organic																					
BH-FGD-104	64	23.0-24.5		SS	23	23.4	Compact, light brown and gray, poorly-graded SAND (SP-SM), with silt, wet					0.0	83.8	16.2														
BH-FGD-104	65	28.0-30.0		SS	31	23.7	Fine, silty SAND (SM), trace clay																					
BH-FGD-104		-					BORING TERMINATED AT 30.0'																					

SUMMARY SHEET - 9456 LUMINANT - 9456SGINT.GPJ GDR - HOU.GDT 4/23/10



Project: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
 Location: Oak Grove, Texas

SUMMARY OF SOIL DATA AND LABORATORY TEST RESULTS

Sample				SPT N Value (blows/ 1 ft)	Moisture Content (%)	Soil Description	Atterberg Limits					Particle Size Analysis				Dry Unit wt (pcf)	Moist Unit wt (pcf)	CU Triaxial		UU Triaxial		Consolidation				Organic Content (%)		
Borehole Number	Sample Number	Depth Interval (ft-bgs)	Elevation of Top (ft)				Sample Type	LL	PL	PI	LI	USCS	Gravel (%)	Sand (%)	Silt (%)			Clay (%)	c' (psf)	phi' (deg)	UU - c <sub>u</sub> (psf)	Confining Pressure (psf)	Type	Cc <sub>c</sub>	Cr <sub>c</sub>		σ' <sub>v</sub> (psf)	Gs
BH-FGD-105	44	0.0-2.0		SH		8.3	Very stiff, mottled dark brown, sandy fat CLAY (CH), trace organics, damp																					
BH-FGD-105	45	2.0-4.0		SH		19.3	hard, light brown at 2.0'																					
BH-FGD-105	46	4.0-6.0		SH		13.5	dark brown at 4.0'																					
BH-FGD-105	47	6.0-8.0		SH		10.3	light brown at 6.0'																					
BH-FGD-105	48	8.0-10.0		SH		16.3	51	19	33	-0.07	CH	0.0	12.3	87.7			278	26										
BH-FGD-105	49	13.0-15.0		SH		16.0	mottled, trace lignite at 13.0'																					
BH-FGD-105	50	18.0-20.0		SH		18.0	51	19	32	-0.02					107.9	127.3	4300	2434										
BH-FGD-105	51	23.0-25.0		SH		15.9	hard, dark brown at 23.0'																					
BH-FGD-105	52	28.0-30.0		SH		18.9	Very stiff, mottled dark gray to brown, silty CLAY (CL-ML), few sand, moist																					
BH-FGD-105		-																										
BH-FGD-105	53	33.0-35.0		SH		22.3	Stiff, black, sandy SILT (ML), trace clay, some organics, some wood fragments, moist																					
BH-FGD-105		-					Stiff, dark brown, fat CLAY (CH), trace organics, trace sand, moist																					
BH-FGD-105	54	38.0-39.5		SS	50	12.5	Very dense, light brown, fine, poorly-graded SAND (SP), trace clay, damp					1.2	62.0	36.8														
BH-FGD-105	55	43.0-45.0		SS	72	23.6	Very dense, light brown, fine, poorly-graded SAND (SP-SM), with silt, moist					0.0	78.8	21.2														
BH-FGD-105	56	48.0-50.0		SS	50	26.4	Very dense, grayish brown, silty SAND (SM), trace clay, moist					0.0	74.6	25.4														
BH-FGD-105		-					BORING TERMINATED AT 50.0'																					



Project: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
 Location: Oak Grove, Texas

SUMMARY SHEET - 9455LUMINANT 9455SGINT.GPJ GDR HOUGDT 4/23/10

**SUMMARY OF SOIL DATA AND LABORATORY TEST RESULTS**

Sample				SPT N Value (blows/ 1 ft)	Moisture Content (%)	Soil Description	Atterberg Limits					Particle Size Analysis				Dry Unit wt (pcf)	Moist Unit wt (pcf)	CU Triaxial		UU Triaxial		Consolidation				Organic Content (%)		
Borehole Number	Sample Number	Depth Interval (ft-bgs)	Elevation of Top (ft)				Sample Type	LL	PL	PI	LI	USCS	Gravel (%)	Sand (%)	Silt (%)			Clay (%)	c' (psf)	phi' (deg)	UU - c <sub>u</sub> (psf)	Confining Pressure (psf)	Type	C <sub>c</sub>	C <sub>r</sub>		σ' <sub>p</sub> (psf)	G <sub>s</sub>
BH-FGD-106	97	0.0-2.0		SH		21.3	Stiff, mottled dark gray, sandy lean CLAY (CL), trace silt, damp																					
BH-FGD-106	98	2.0-4.0		SH		23.8	light brown to dark brown at 2.0'																					
BH-FGD-106	99	4.0-6.0		SH		18.8	hard, brownish red, moist at 4.0'																					
BH-FGD-106	100	6.0-8.0		SH		13.1	damp at 6.0'																					
BH-FGD-106	101	8.0-10.0		SH		17.8	mottled brownish red at 8.0'																					
BH-FGD-106	102	13.0-15.0		SH		17.4	mottled gray, little silt at 13.0'																					
BH-FGD-106	103	18.0-20.0		SH		16.7																						
BH-FGD-106	104	23.0-25.0		SH		22.8	Compact, light gray, fine silty SAND (SM), moist					0.0	64.6	35.4														
BH-FGD-106	105	28.0-30.0		SS	27	28.0	wet at 28.0'																					
BH-FGD-106		-					BORING TERMINATED AT 30.0'																					

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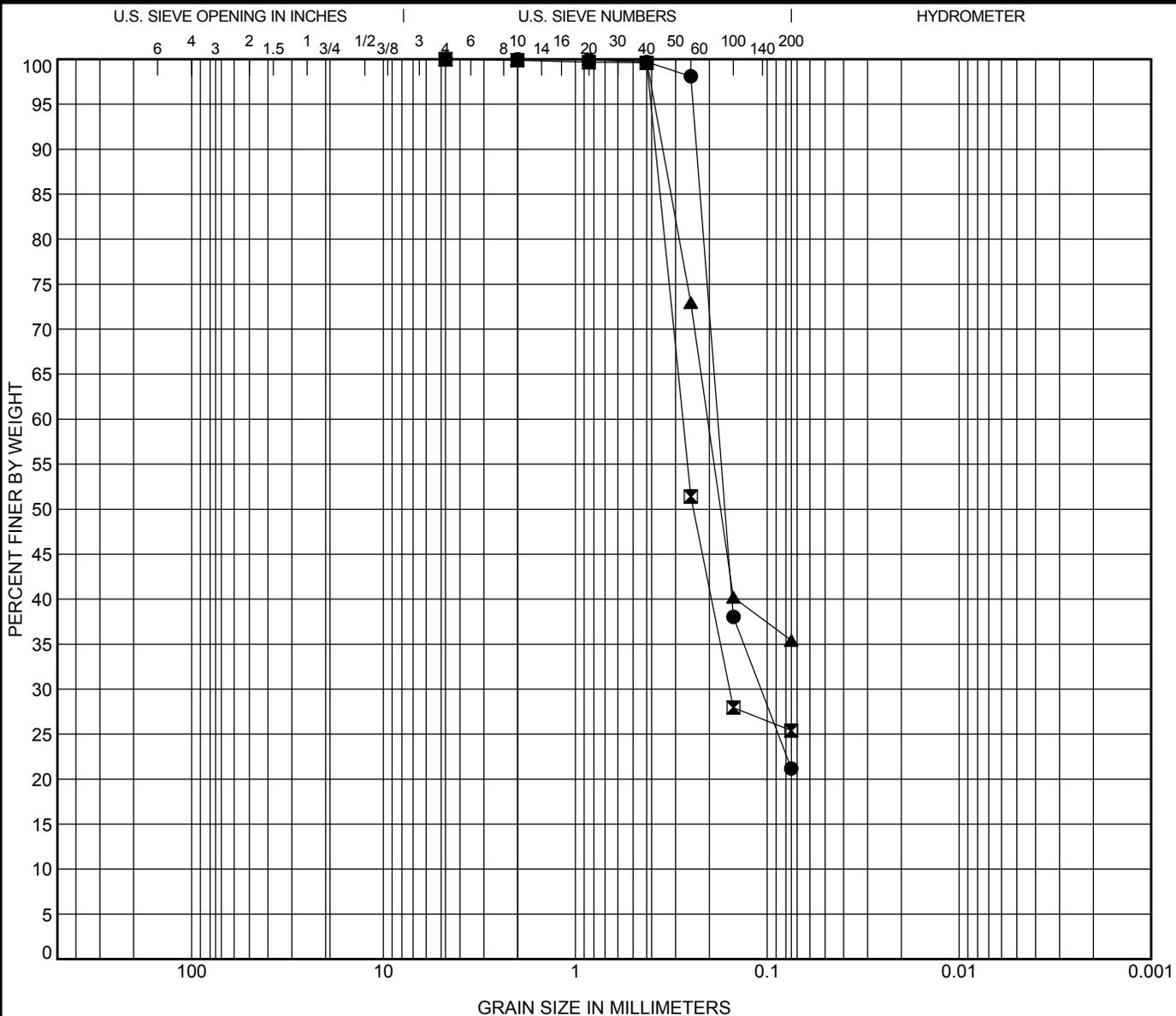


Project: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical Investigation  
 Location: Oak Grove, Texas

**APPENDIX C  
LABORATORY TEST RESULTS**







COBBLES	GRAVEL		SAND			SILT OR CLAY
	coarse	fine	coarse	medium	fine	

Specimen Identification	Classification	LL	PL	PI	Cc	Cu
● BH-FGD-105 43.00ft						
⊠ BH-FGD-105 48.00ft						
▲ BH-FGD-106 23.00ft						

Specimen Identification	D100	D60	D30	D10	%Gravel	%Sand	%Silt	%Clay
● BH-FGD-105 43.00 ft	4.75	0.181	0.108		0.00	78.83	21.17	
⊠ BH-FGD-105 48.00 ft	4.75	0.275	0.157		0.00	74.61	25.39	
▲ BH-FGD-106 23.00 ft	2	0.204			0.00	64.60	35.40	



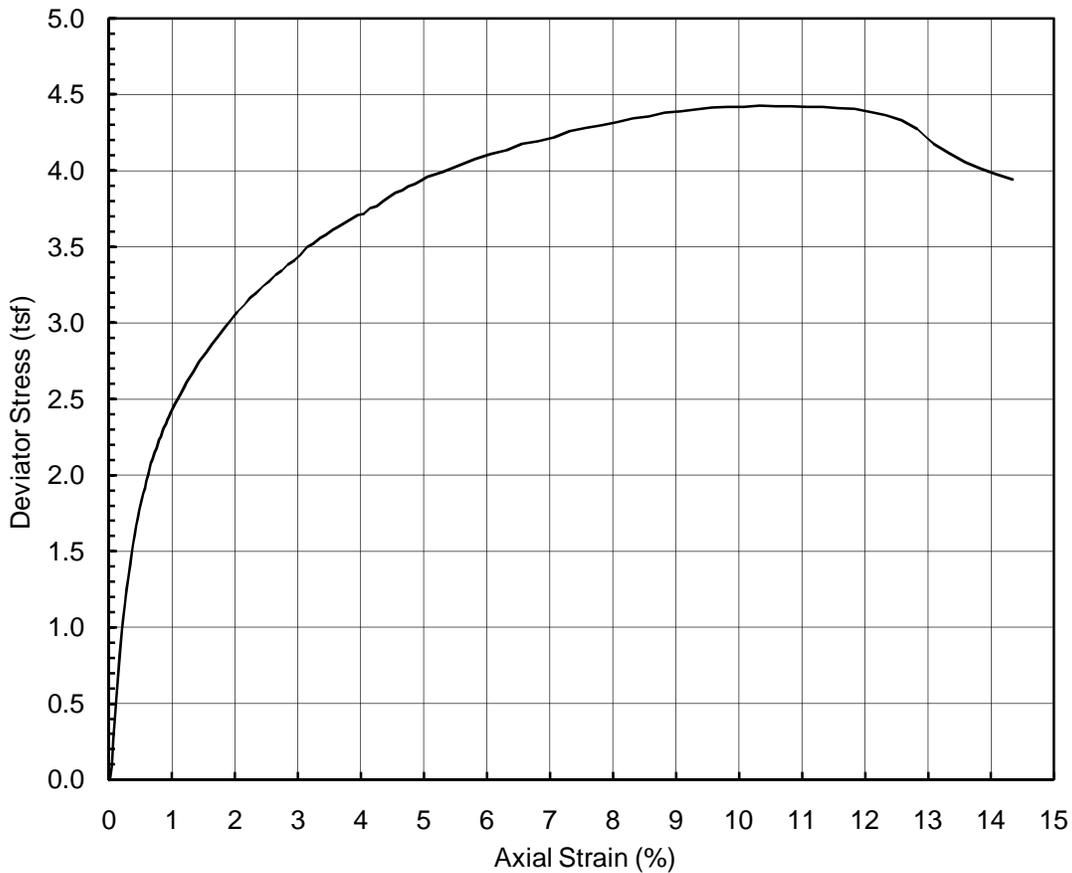
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Project: Luminant Pond Stability Geotechnical

Investigation

Location: Oak Grove, Texas

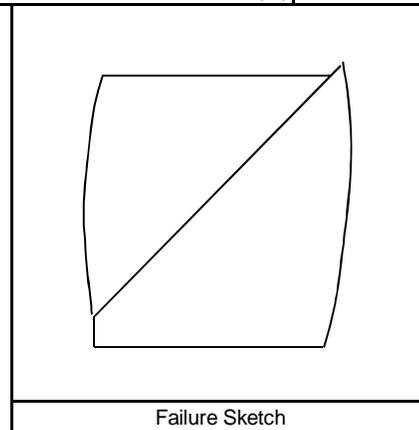
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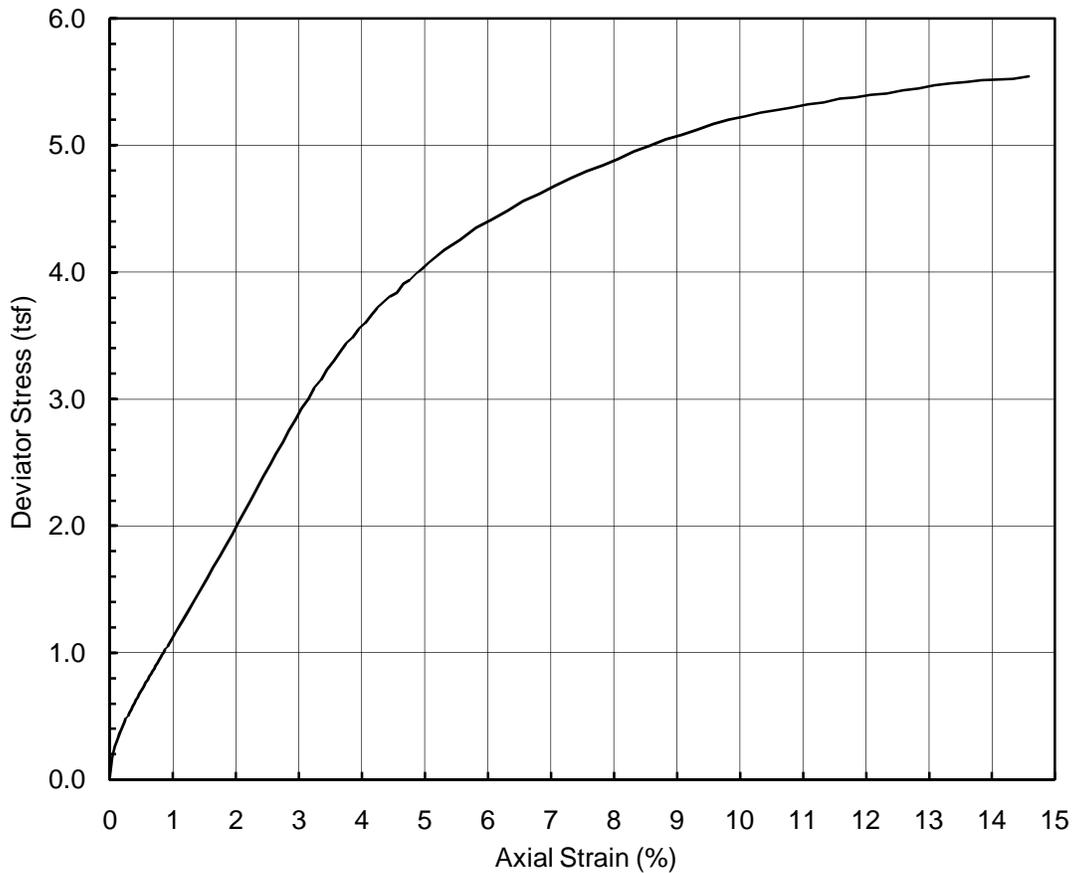
Depth (ft)	13.0	Confining Pressure (psi)	10.7
Specimen Height (inch)	5.5	Strain Rate (%/min)	1.0
Specimen Diameter (inch)	2.8	Peak Deviator Stress (tsf)	4.4
Initial Specimen Weight (g)	1113.5	Axial Strain at Peak Stress (%)	10.3
Moist Unit Weight (pcf)	125.0		
Initial Water Content (%)	19		
Initial Dry Unit Weight (pcf)	104.8		

Project Title	Luminant Pond Stability
Project Number	103-94563
Sample Type	Shelby Tube
Sample ID	FGD-103 SA-71
Comments	



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Review	PCM

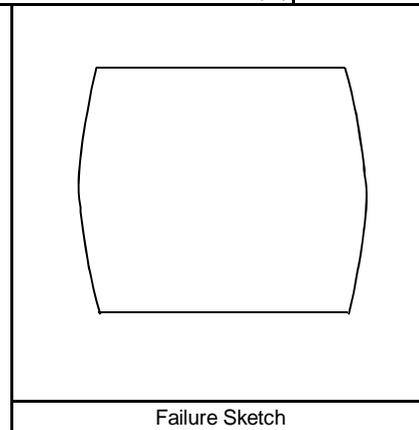
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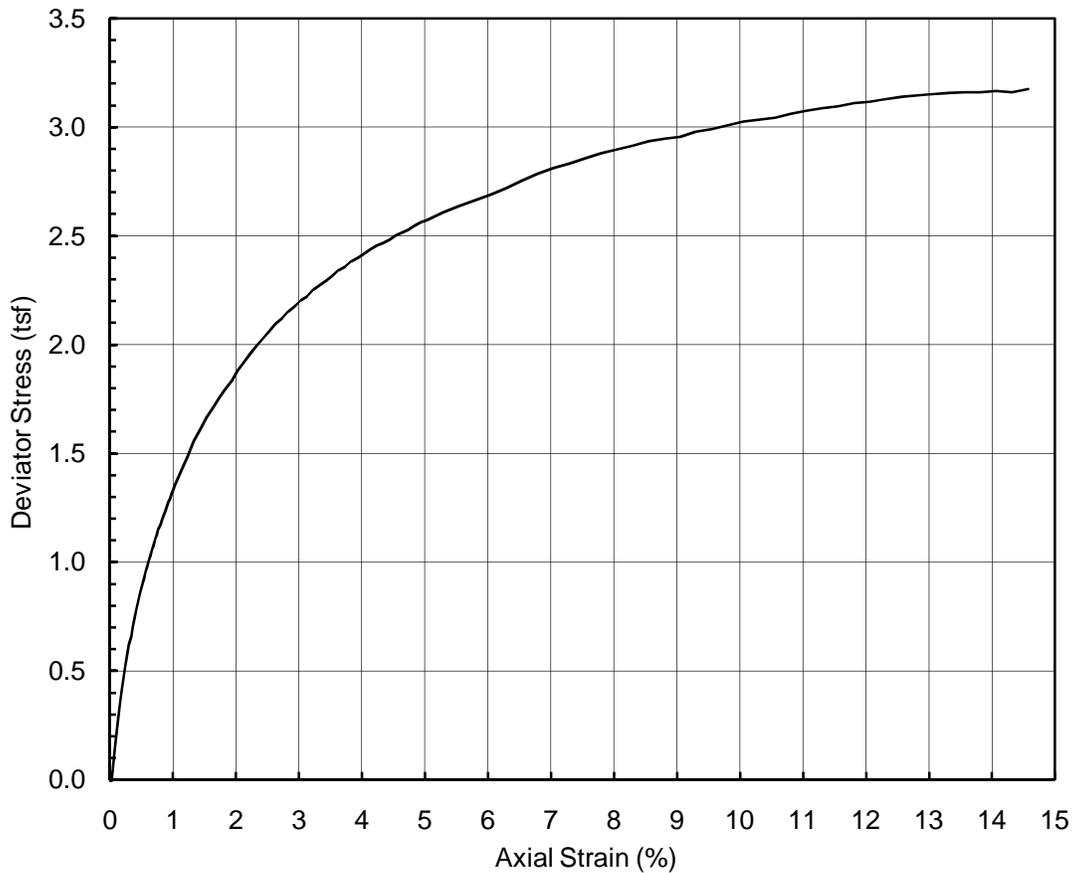
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Specimen Height (inch)	5.6	Strain Rate (%/min)	1.0
Specimen Diameter (inch)	2.8	Peak Deviator Stress (tsf)	5.5
Initial Specimen Weight (g)	1225.2	Axial Strain at Peak Stress (%)	14.8
Moist Unit Weight (pcf)	132.8		
Initial Water Content (%)	19		
Initial Dry Unit Weight (pcf)	111.8		

Project Title	Luminant Pond Stability
Project Number	103-94563
Sample Type	Shelby Tube
Sample ID	FGD-103 SA-74
Comments	



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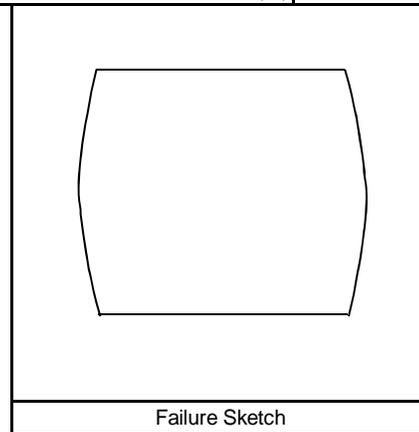
**UNCONSOLIDATED / UNDRAINED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH  
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Specimen Description		Light gray Sandy Clay					
LL	35	PI	19	LI	0.0	USCS	CL

Depth (ft)	38.0	Confining Pressure (psi)	30.8
Specimen Height (inch)	5.5	Strain Rate (%/min)	1.0
Specimen Diameter (inch)	2.8	Peak Deviator Stress (tsf)	3.2
Initial Specimen Weight (g)	1131.4	Axial Strain at Peak Stress (%)	15.0
Moist Unit Weight (pcf)	129.7		
Initial Water Content (%)	16		
Initial Dry Unit Weight (pcf)	111.8		

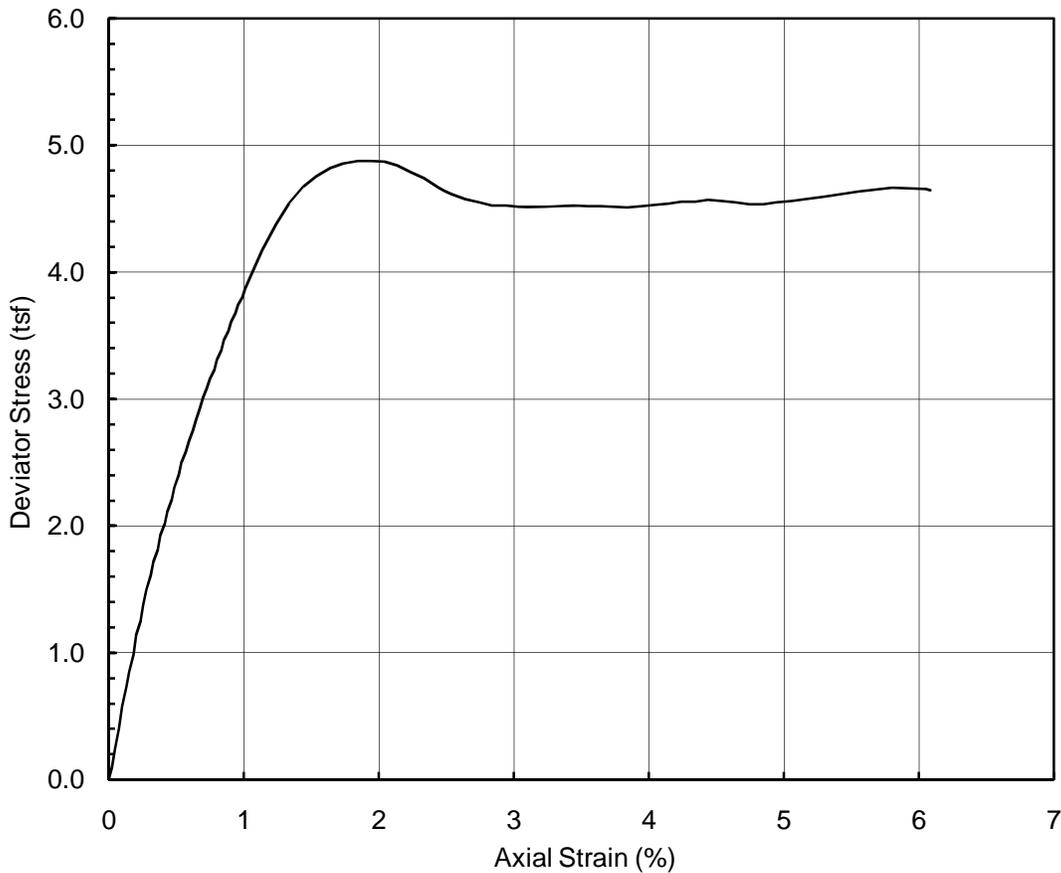
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Comments	



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Review	PCM



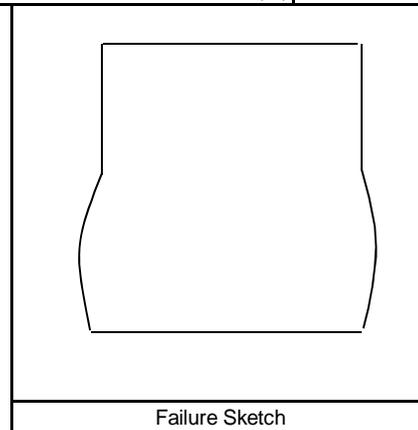
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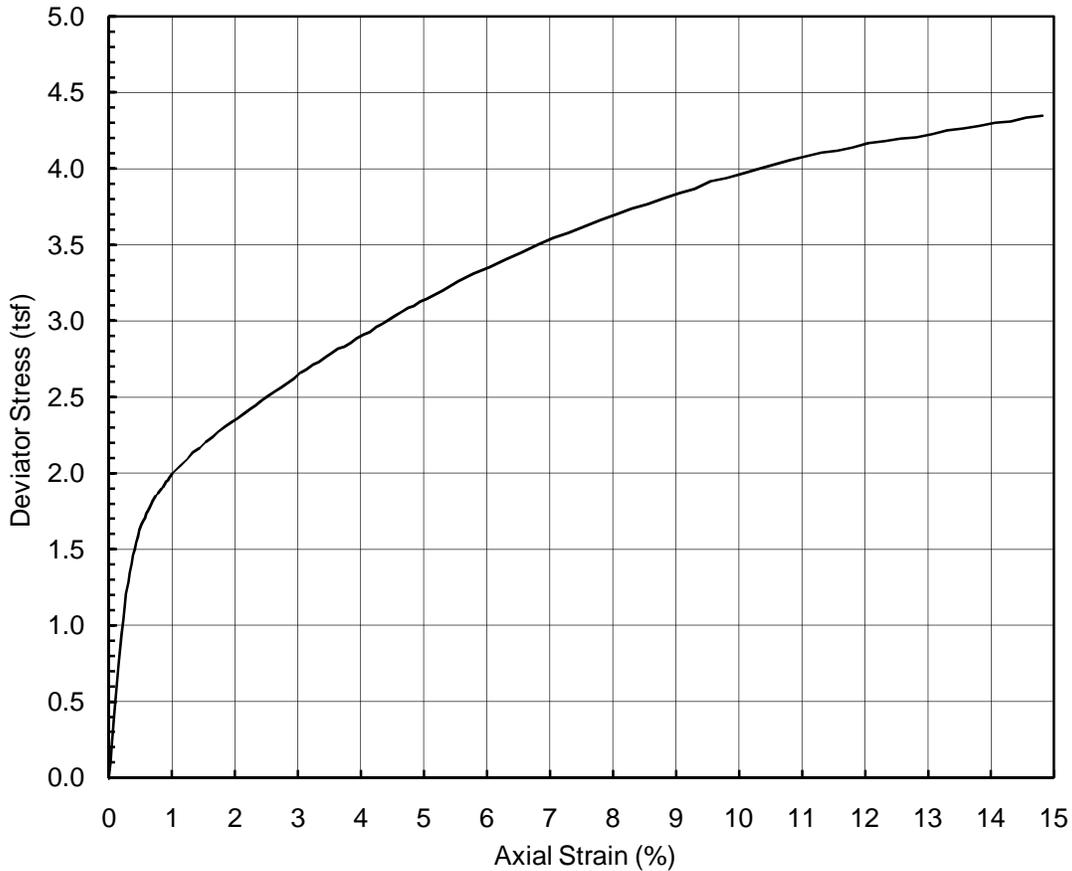
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Initial Specimen Weight (g)	1108.3	Axial Strain at Peak Stress (%)	1.9
Moist Unit Weight (pcf)	126.0		
Initial Water Content (%)	15		
Initial Dry Unit Weight (pcf)	109.2		

Project Title	Luminant Pond Stability
Project Number	103-94563
Sample Type	Shelby Tube
Sample ID	FGD-103 SA-70
Comments	



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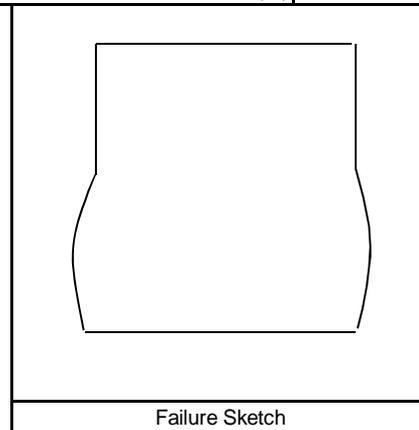
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Specimen Description		Brown Sandy Clay					
LL	51	PI	32	LI	0.0	USCS	CH

Depth (ft)	18.0	Confining Pressure (psi)	16.9
Specimen Height (inch)	5.0	Strain Rate (%/min)	1.0
Specimen Diameter (inch)	2.8	Peak Deviator Stress (tsf)	4.3
Initial Specimen Weight (g)	1035.2	Axial Strain at Peak Stress (%)	15.0
Moist Unit Weight (pcf)	127.3		
Initial Water Content (%)	18		
Initial Dry Unit Weight (pcf)	107.9		

Project Title	Luminant Pond Stability
Project Number	103-94563
Sample Type	Shelby Tube
Sample ID	FGD-105 SA-50
Comments	



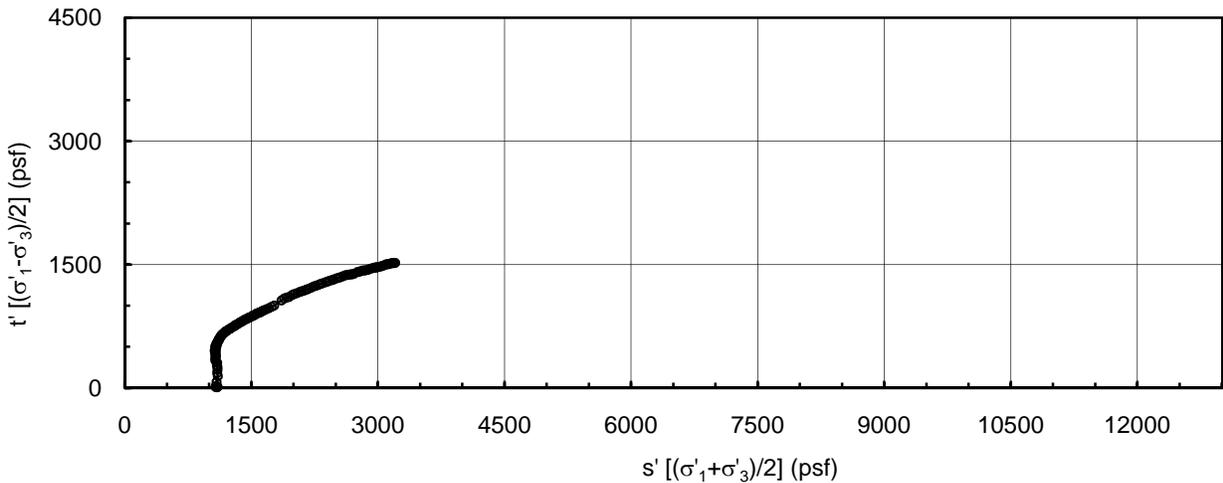
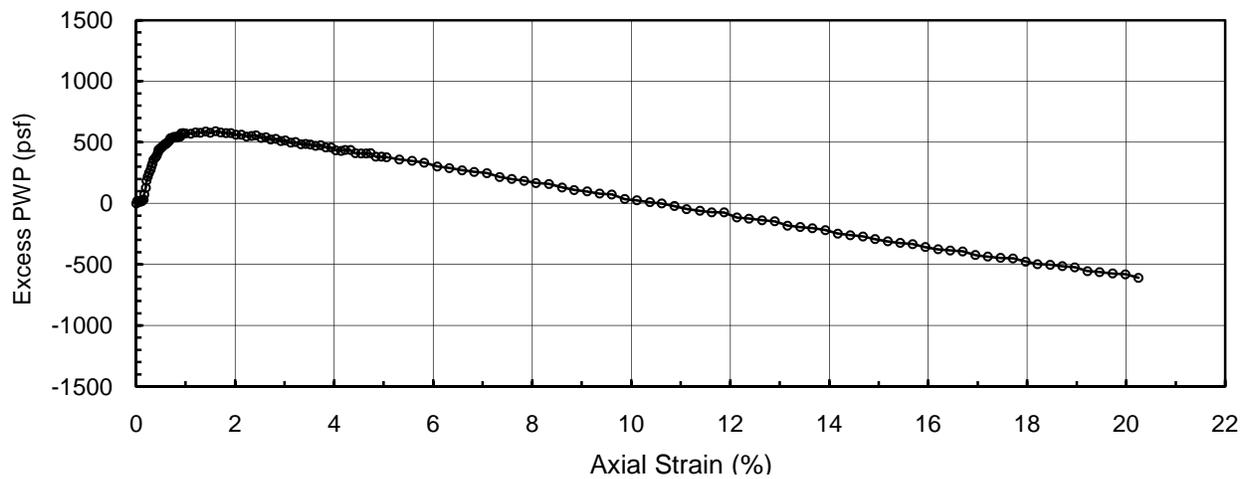
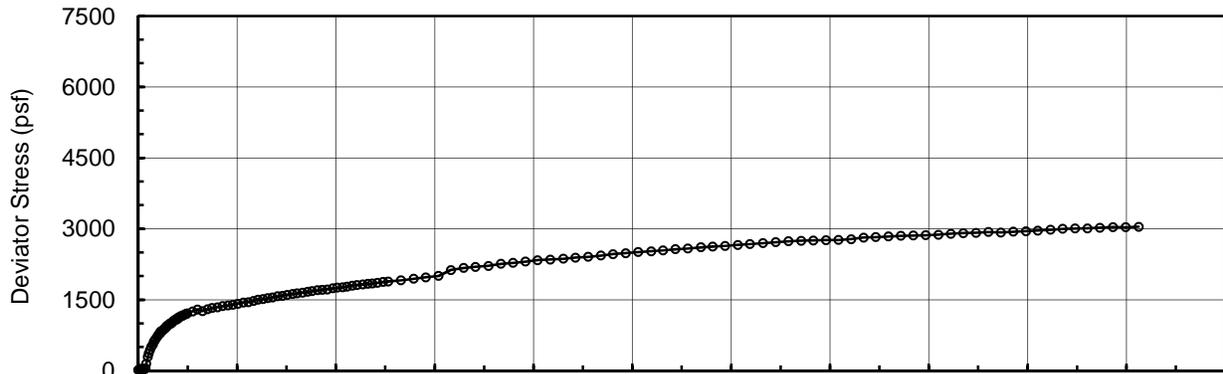
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# Isotropically Consolidated Undrained Triaxial Test (ICU)

**Project Title:** Luminant Pond  
**Boring Number:** FGD-105

**Project Number:** 103-94563  
**Specimen Name:** SA-48

**Date:** 08-Apr-10  
**Depth (ft):** 8.9



Specimen Description: Light Brown Fat CLAY

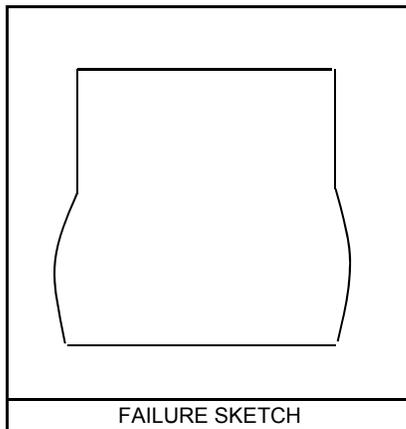
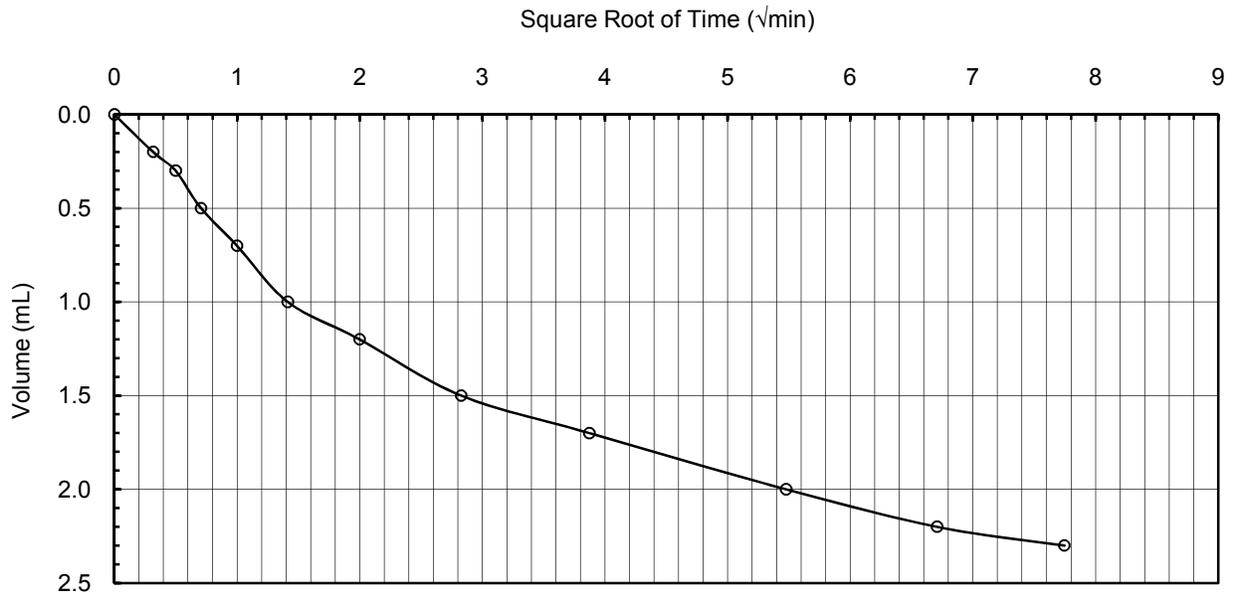
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Initial Moist Unit Weight (pcf) =		121.8		B-value =		0.95	
Back Pressure (BP, psf) =		10800		Consolidation Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =		1088	
Initial Lateral Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =		1088		Consolidation $t_{50}$ (min) =		3	
Initial Deviator Stress ( $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3$ , psf) =		16		Rebound Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =		NA	
Test Strain Rate (%/hour) =		1.0		Rebound $t_{50}$ (min) =		NA	
LL =	51	PI =	32	USCS	CH	Performed by	DM
Comments:						Reviewed by	PCM

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**Project Number:** 103-94563  
**Specimen Name:** SA-48

**Date:** 08-Apr-10  
**Depth (ft):** 8.9



Consolidation Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =		1088	
Consolidation $t_{50}$ (min) =		3	
Consolidation Volume Change (mL) =		2.3	
Unloading Stress (psf) =		NA	
Unloading $t_{50}$ (min) =		NA	
Unloading Volume Change (mL) =		NA	
LL =	51	PI =	32
USCS	CH		
Gs =	2.65	assumed	

**Performed by** DM  
**Reviewed by** PCM

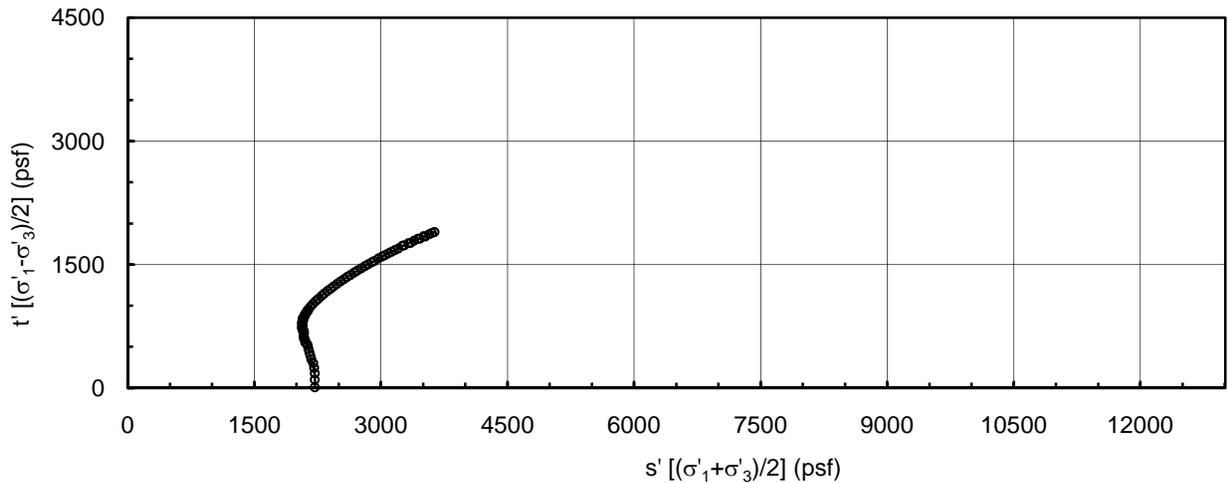
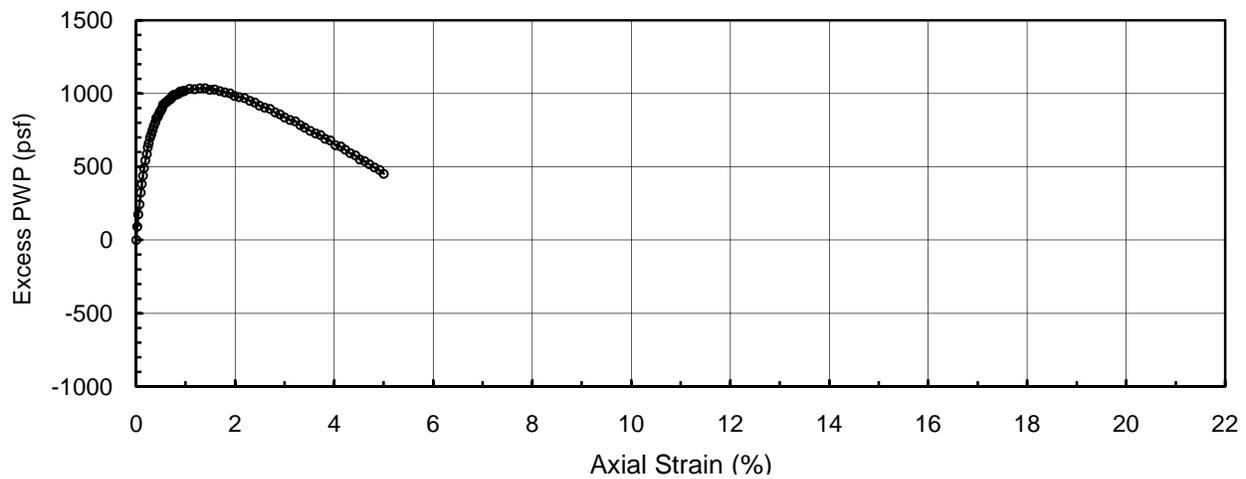
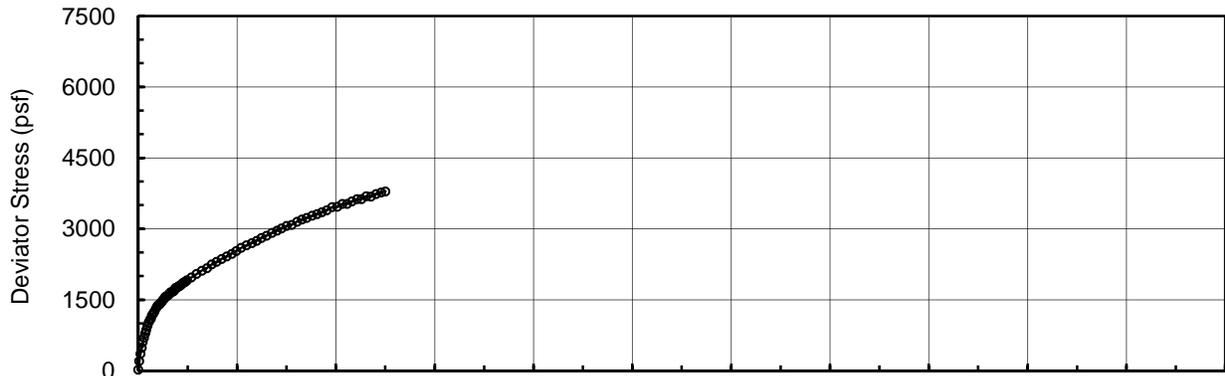
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**Boring Number:** FGD-105

**Project Number:** 103-94563  
**Specimen Name:** SA-48

**Date:** 09-Apr-10  
**Depth (ft):** 8.0



Specimen Description: Light Brown Fat CLAY

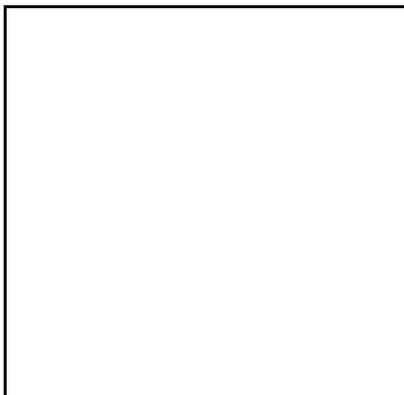
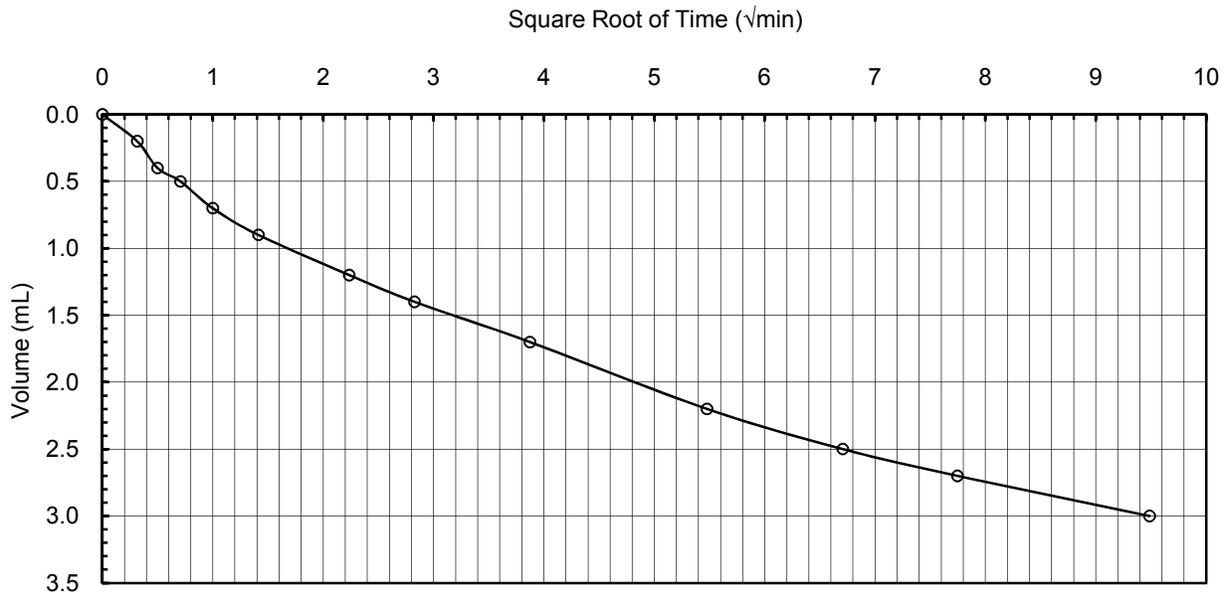
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Initial Water Content (%) =		16.3		Water Content at End of Test (%) =		-	
Initial Moist Unit Weight (pcf) =		123.6		B-value =		0.95	
Back Pressure (BP, psf) =		9360		Consolidation Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =		2209	
Initial Lateral Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =		2209		Consolidation $t_{50}$ (min) =		17	
Initial Deviator Stress ( $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3$ , psf) =		18		Rebound Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =		NA	
Test Strain Rate (%/hour) =		1.0		Rebound $t_{50}$ (min) =		NA	
LL =	51	PI =	32	USCS	CH	Performed by	DM
Comments: Specimen #2 - Stage 1						Reviewed by	PCM

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**Project Title:** Luminant Pond  
**Boring Number:** FGD-105

**Project Number:** 103-94563  
**Specimen Name:** SA-48

**Date:** 09-Apr-10  
**Depth (ft):** 8.0



FAILURE SKETCH

Consolidation Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =		2209	
Consolidation $t_{50}$ (min) =		17	
Consolidation Volume Change (mL) =		3.0	
Unloading Stress (psf) =		NA	
Unloading $t_{50}$ (min) =		NA	
Unloading Volume Change (mL) =		NA	
LL =	51	PI =	32
USCS	CH		
Gs =	2.65	assumed	

**Performed by** DM  
**Reviewed by** PCM

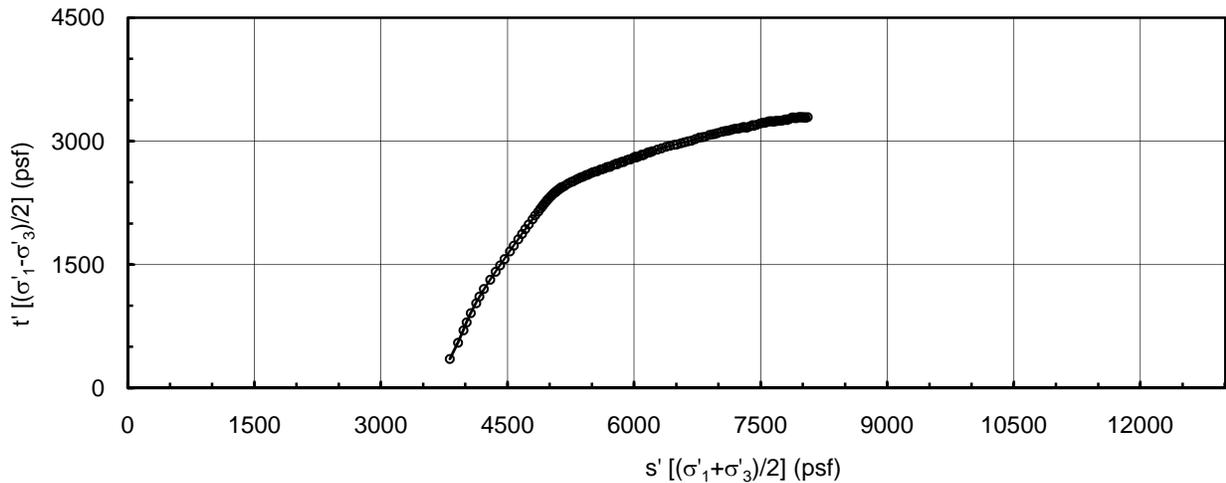
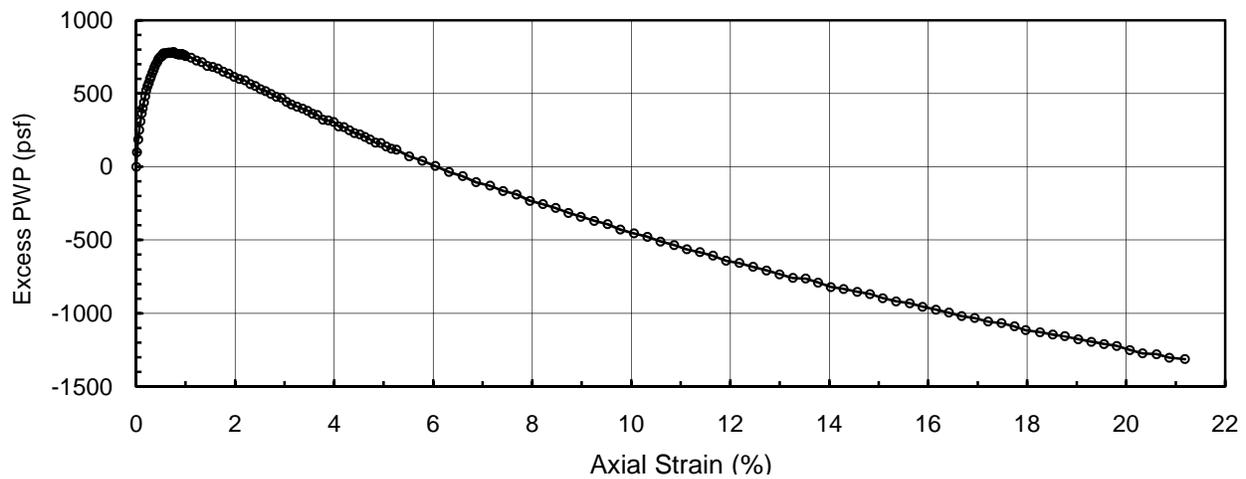
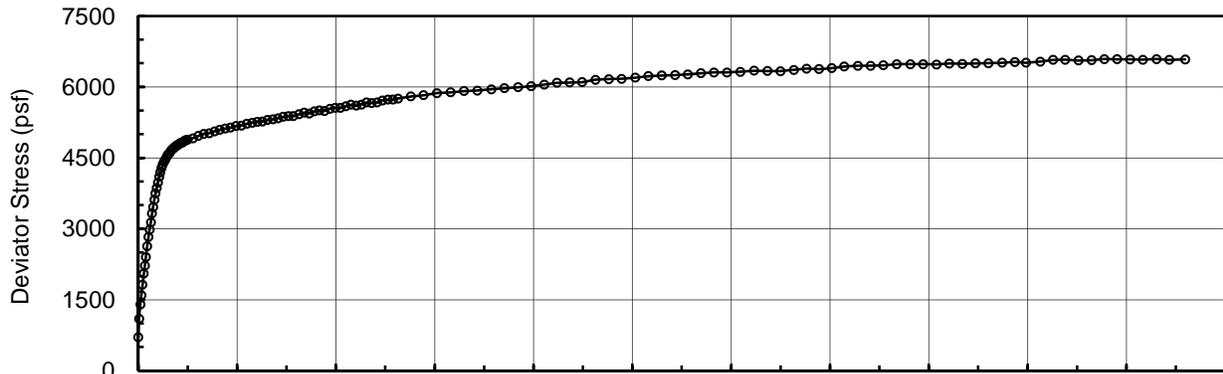
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**Project Title:** Luminant Pond  
**Boring Number:** FGD-105

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**Specimen Name:** SA-48

**Date:** 10-Apr-10  
**Depth (ft):** 8.0



Specimen Description: Light Brown Fat CLAY

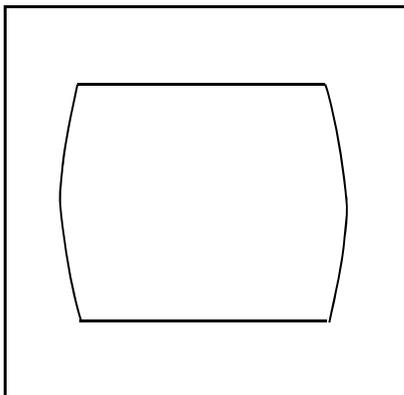
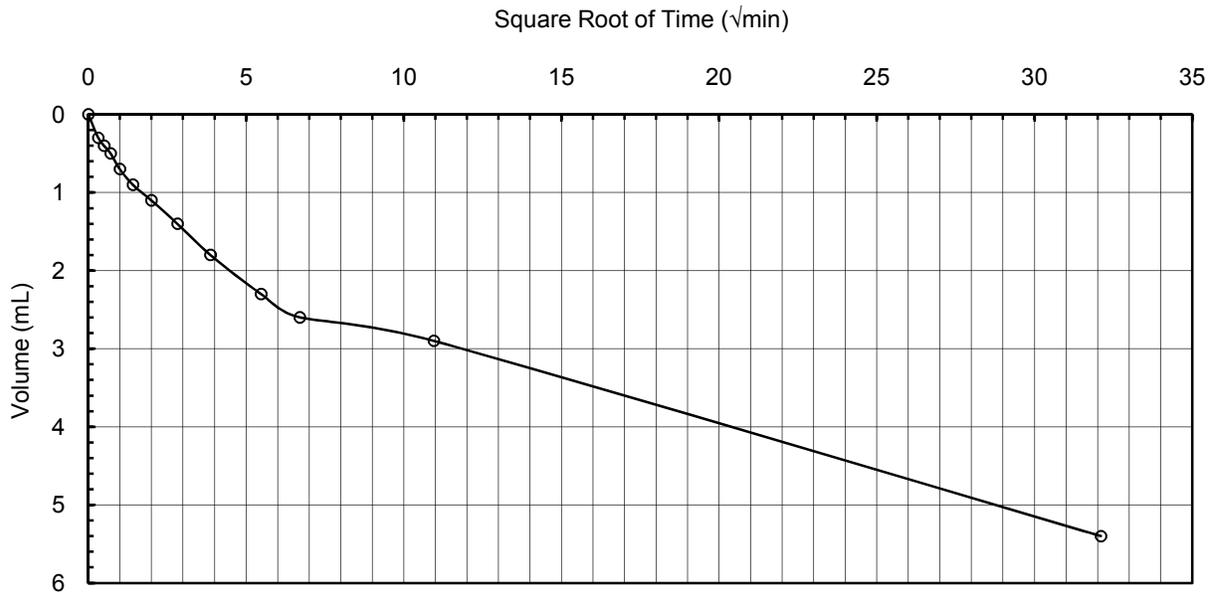
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Initial Water Content (%) =	-	Water Content at End of Test (%) =	21.2
Initial Moist Unit Weight (pcf) =	-	B-value =	-
Back Pressure (BP, psf) =	9360	Consolidation Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =	3463
Initial Lateral Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =	3463	Consolidation $t_{50}$ (min) =	6
Initial Deviator Stress ( $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3$ , psf) =	708	Rebound Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =	NA
Test Strain Rate (%/hour) =	1.0	Rebound $t_{50}$ (min) =	NA
LL =	51	PI =	32
USCS	CH	Performed by	DM
Comments: Specimen #2 - Stage 2		Reviewed by	PCM

# Isotropically Consolidated Undrained Triaxial Test (ICU)

**Project Title:** Luminant Pond  
**Boring Number:** FGD-105

**Project Number:** 103-94563  
**Specimen Name:** SA-48

**Date:** 10-Apr-10  
**Depth (ft):** 8.0



FAILURE SKETCH

Consolidation Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =		3463	
Consolidation $t_{50}$ (min) =		6	
Consolidation Volume Change (mL) =		5.4	
Unloading Stress (psf) =		NA	
Unloading $t_{50}$ (min) =		NA	
Unloading Volume Change (mL) =		NA	
LL =	51	PI =	32
USCS	CH		
Gs =	2.65	assumed	

**Performed by** DM  
**Reviewed by** PCM

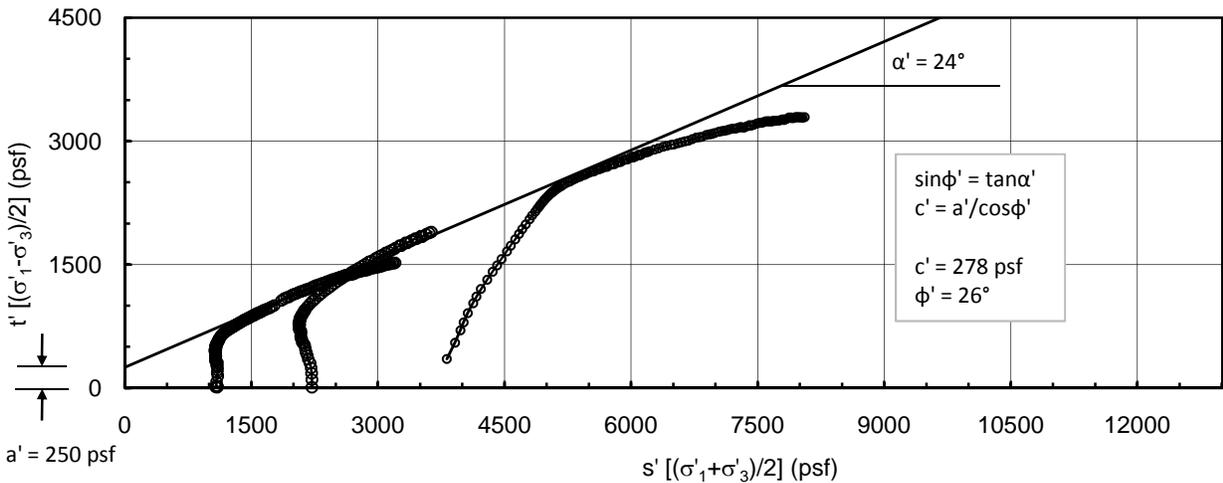
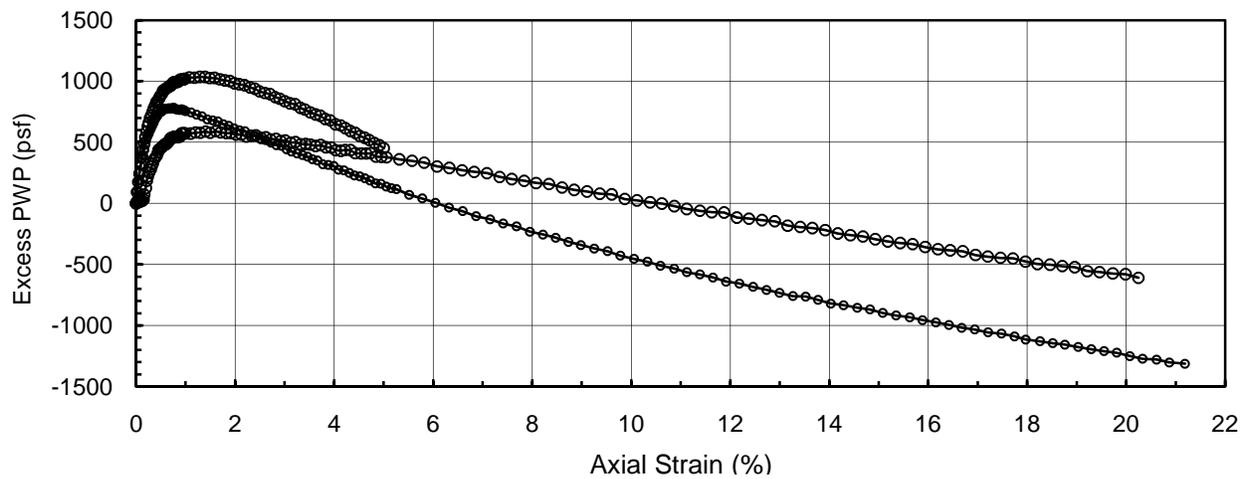
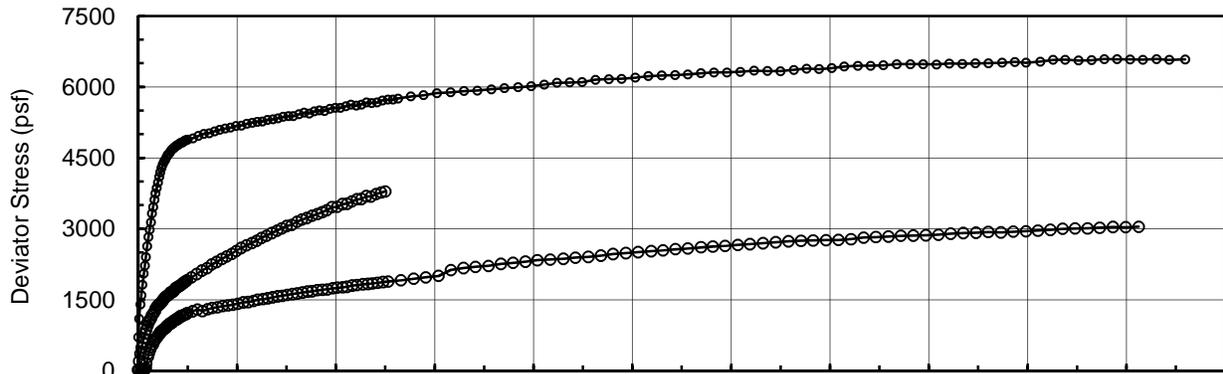
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**Specimen Name:** SA-48

**Date:** 10-Apr-10  
**Depth (ft):**



Specimen Description: Light Brown Fat CLAY

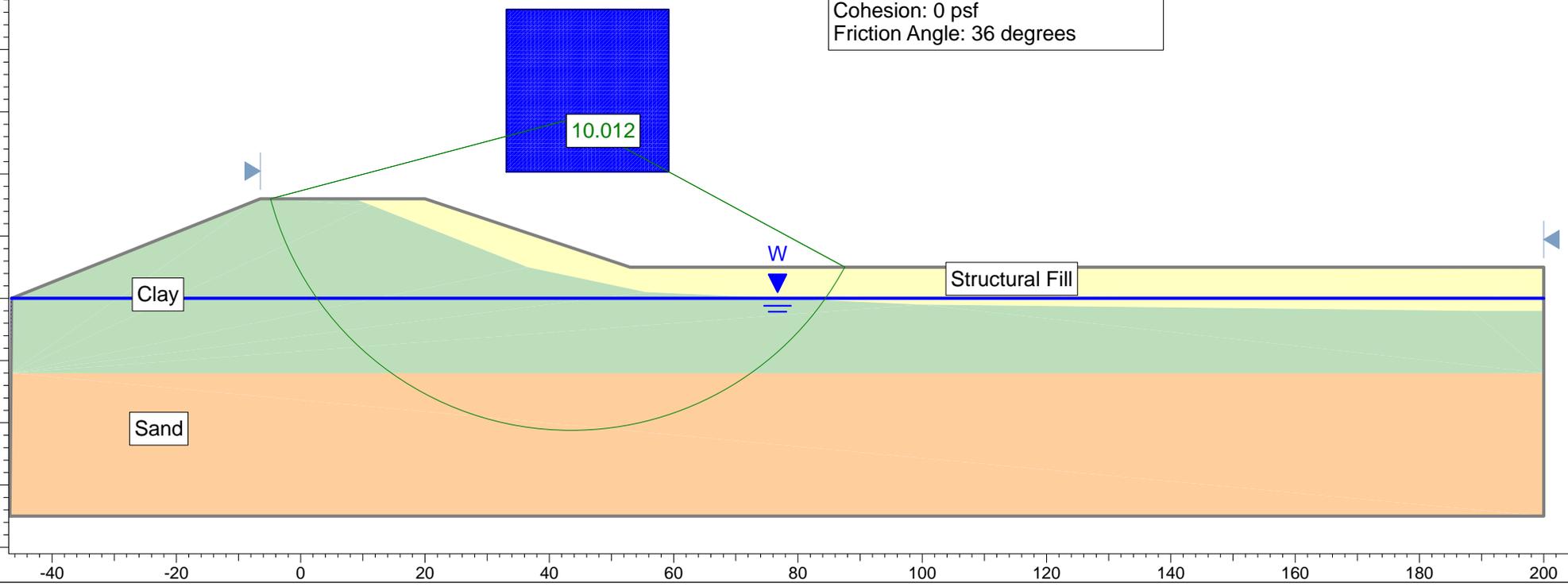
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Initial Water Content (%) =				Water Content at End of Test (%) =			
Initial Moist Unit Weight (pcf) =				B-value =			
Back Pressure (BP, psf) =				Consolidation Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =			
Initial Lateral Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =				Consolidation $t_{50}$ (min) =			
Initial Deviator Stress ( $\sigma_1 - \sigma_3$ , psf) =				Rebound Stress ( $\sigma'_3$ , psf) =			
Test Strain Rate (%/hour) =				Rebound $t_{50}$ (min) =			
LL =	51	PI =	32	USCS	CH	Performed by	DM
Comments: 3 Stages on 2 Specimens						Reviewed by	PCM

**APPENDIX D  
SLOPE STABILITY ANALYSES**

**CASE 1**

FGD-B Pond\_Case 1\_West (short term)\_circular.sli

Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
  
Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
  
Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 1\_West (short term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond: Case 1 - West Sideslope (short term)  
Failure Direction: Left to Right  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer  
  
Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 10.011800  
Center: 43.547, 438.818  
Radius: 50.059  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: -4.844, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 87.577, 415.000  
Resisting Moment=1.40967e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.40801e+006 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 10.108200  
Center: 46.159, 444.694  
Radius: 54.385  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: -4.912, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 91.722, 415.000  
Resisting Moment=1.5357e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.51926e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=214960 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=21265.9 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 10.109500  
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Radius: 54.385  
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Driving Moment=1.51926e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=214987 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=21265.9 lb

**Valid / Invalid Surfaces**Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 17949

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 542  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 406 surfaces

Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 14450  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4041  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces  
Error Code -108 reported for 2373 surfaces  
Error Code -111 reported for 1126 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 406 surfaces

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 14450  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4041  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces  
Error Code -108 reported for 2373 surfaces  
Error Code -111 reported for 1126 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 406 surfaces

**Error Codes**

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-108 = Total driving moment or total driving force < 0.1. This is to limit the calculation of extremely high safety factors if the driving force is very small (0.1 is an arbitrary number).

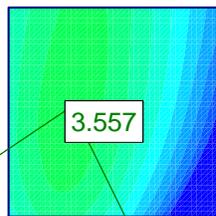
-111 = safety factor equation did not converge

-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$  < 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

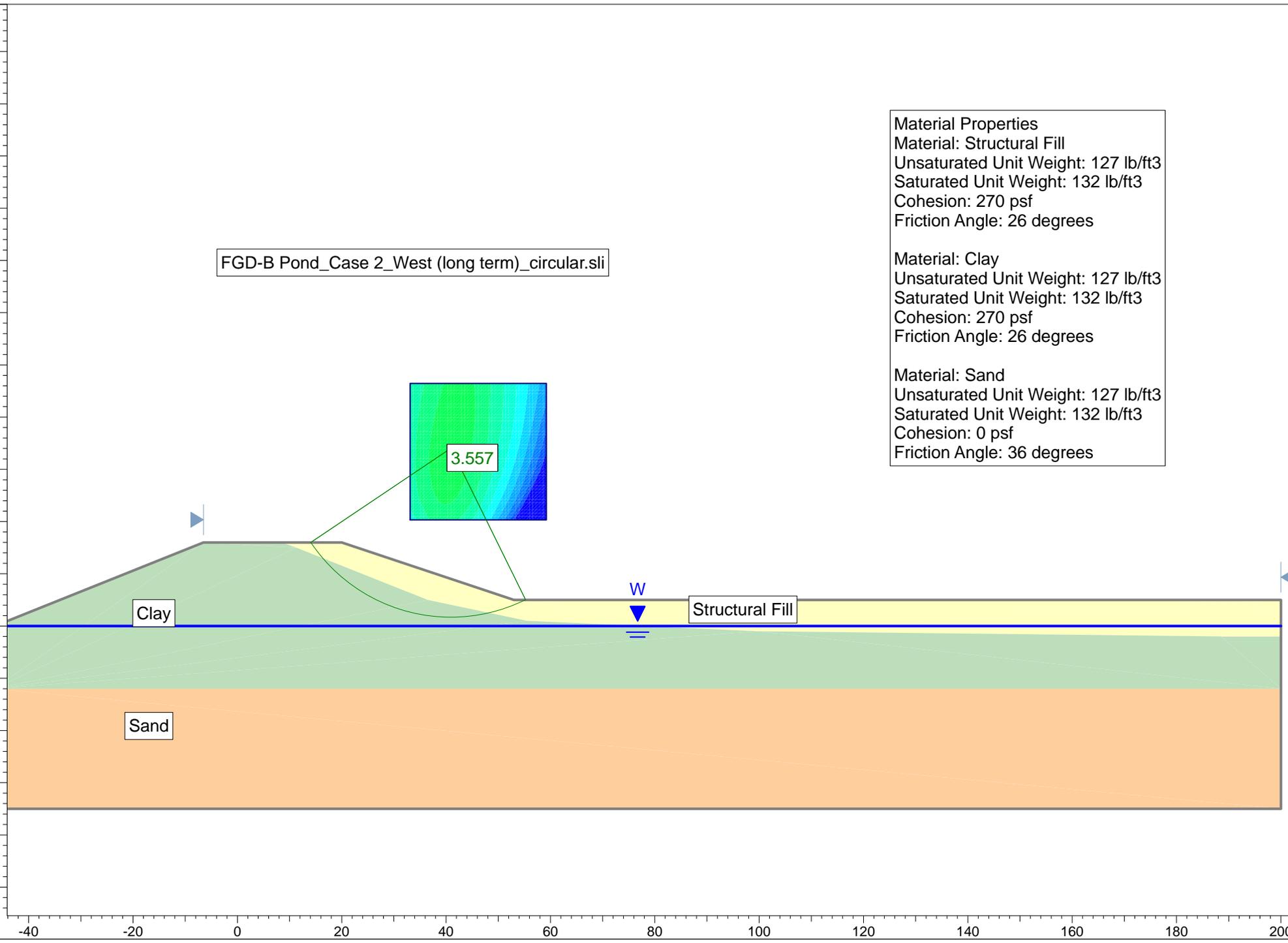
**CASE 2**

FGD-B Pond\_Case 2\_West (long term)\_circular.sli

Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
  
Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
  
Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees



3.557



Clay

Sand

Structural Fill

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-40 -20 0 20 40 60 80 100 120 140 160 180 200

# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 2\_West (long term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond: Case 2 - West Sideslope (long term)  
Failure Direction: Left to Right  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer  
  
Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 3.557390  
Center: 40.935, 444.041  
Radius: 32.380  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 14.046, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 55.256, 415.000  
Resisting Moment=928269 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=260941 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 3.551800  
Center: 40.935, 444.041  
Radius: 32.380  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 14.046, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 55.256, 415.000  
Resisting Moment=926810 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=260941 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=25989.4 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=7317.24 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 3.551560  
Center: 40.935, 444.041  
Radius: 32.380  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 14.046, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 55.256, 415.000  
Resisting Moment=926746 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=260941 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=25989.6 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=7317.81 lb

**Valid / Invalid Surfaces**Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 18315

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 176  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 40 surfaces

Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 18308  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 183  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces  
Error Code -108 reported for 3 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 44 surfaces

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 18312  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 179  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces  
Error Code -108 reported for 3 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 40 surfaces

**Error Codes**

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

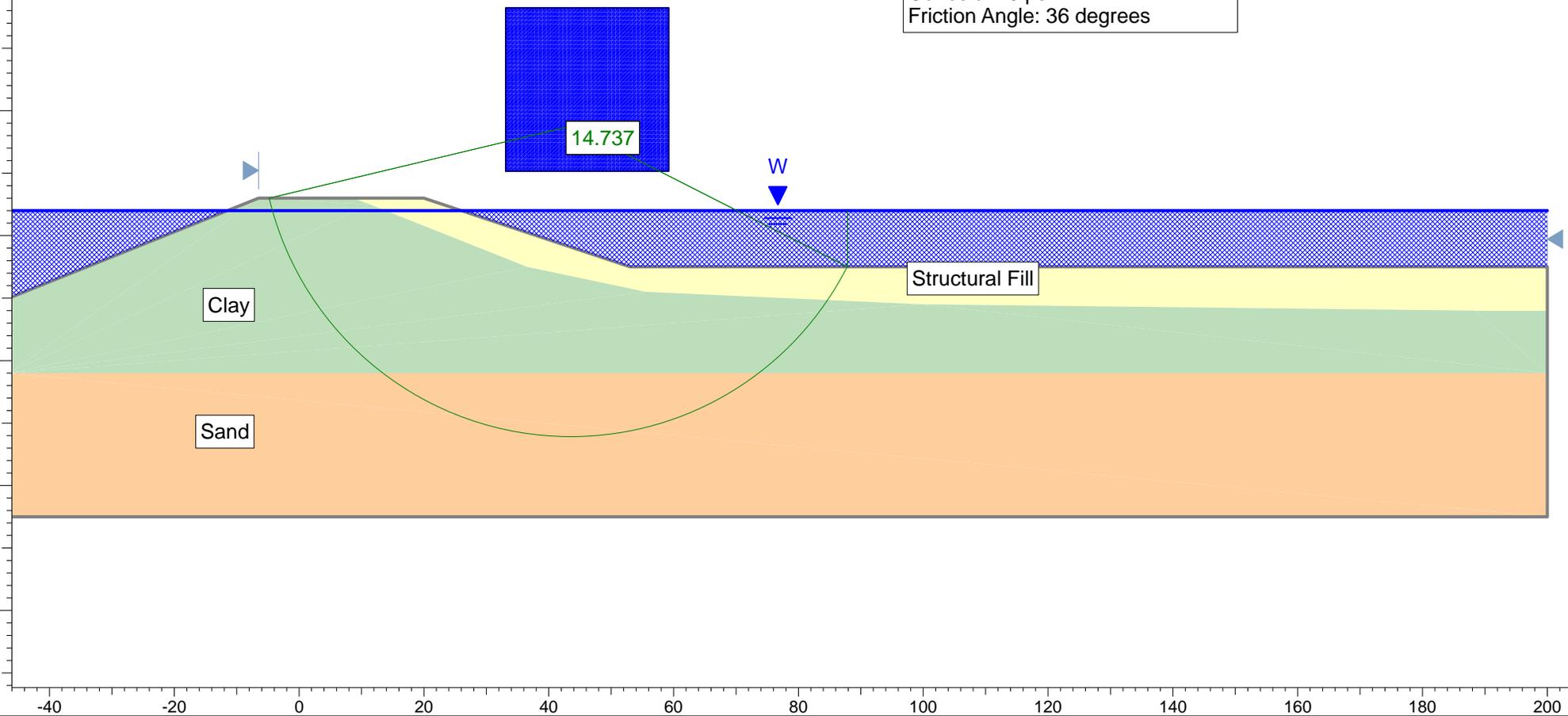
-108 = Total driving moment or total driving force < 0.1. This is to limit the calculation of extremely high safety factors if the driving force is very small (0.1 is an arbitrary number).

-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$  < 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

**CASE 3**

FGD-B Pond\_Case 3\_West\_Full\_(short term)\_circular.sli

Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
  
Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
  
Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 3\_West\_Full\_(short term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond: Case 3 - West Sideslope - Full Pond (short term)  
Failure Direction: Left to Right  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer  
  
Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 14.737400  
Center: 43.547, 437.512  
Radius: 49.704  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: -4.806, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 87.861, 415.000  
Left Slope Intercept: -4.806 426.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 87.861 424.000  
Resisting Moment=1.29995e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=882073 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 15.195600  
Center: 48.770, 447.959  
Radius: 57.996  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: -4.907, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 96.491, 415.000  
Left Slope Intercept: -4.907 426.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 96.491 424.000  
Resisting Moment=1.55782e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.02518e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=204005 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=13425.3 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 15.194800  
Center: 48.770, 447.959  
Radius: 57.996  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: -4.907, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 96.491, 415.000  
Left Slope Intercept: -4.907 426.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 96.491 424.000  
Resisting Moment=1.55775e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.02518e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=204030 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=13427.6 lb

## Valid / Invalid Surfaces

### Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 17949

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 542

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 406 surfaces

### Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 14107

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4384

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 2712 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 1130 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 406 surfaces

### Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 14107

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4384

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 2712 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 1130 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 406 surfaces

## Error Codes

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-108 = Total driving moment or total driving force < 0.1. This is to limit the calculation of extremely high safety factors if the driving force is very small (0.1 is an arbitrary number).

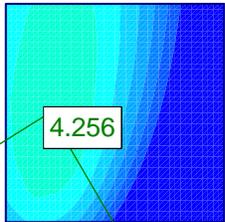
-111 = safety factor equation did not converge

-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$  < 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

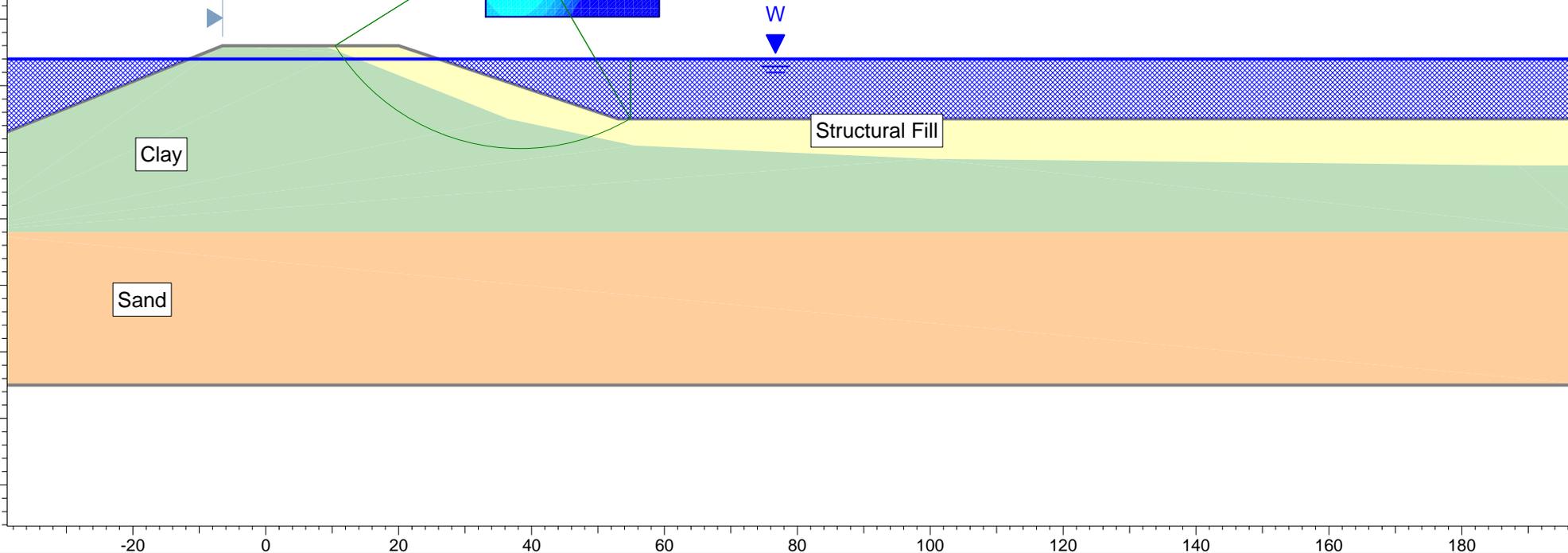
**CASE 4**

FGD-B Pond\_Case 4\_West\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli

Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
  
Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
  
Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees



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Clay

Structural Fill

Sand

-20 0 20 40 60 80 100 120 140 160 180

# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 4\_West\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond: Case 4 - West Sideslope - Full Pond (long term)  
Failure Direction: Left to Right  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer  
  
Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 4.256160  
Center: 38.323, 443.388  
Radius: 32.863  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 10.437, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 54.879, 415.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 10.437 426.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 54.879 424.000  
Resisting Moment=858744 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=201765 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 4.252950  
Center: 38.323, 443.388  
Radius: 32.863  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 10.437, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 54.879, 415.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 10.437 426.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 54.879 424.000  
Resisting Moment=858097 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=201765 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=23376.2 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=5496.47 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 4.251050  
Center: 38.323, 443.388  
Radius: 32.863  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 10.437, 426.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 54.879, 415.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 10.437 426.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 54.879 424.000  
Resisting Moment=857713 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=201765 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=23375.5 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=5498.77 lb

## Valid / Invalid Surfaces

### Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 18302

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 189

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 53 surfaces

### Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 18298

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 193

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 2 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 55 surfaces

### Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 18297

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 194

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 136 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 2 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 56 surfaces

## Error Codes

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-108 = Total driving moment or total driving force < 0.1. This is to limit the calculation of extremely high safety factors if the driving force is very small (0.1 is an arbitrary number).

-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$  < 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

**CASE 5**

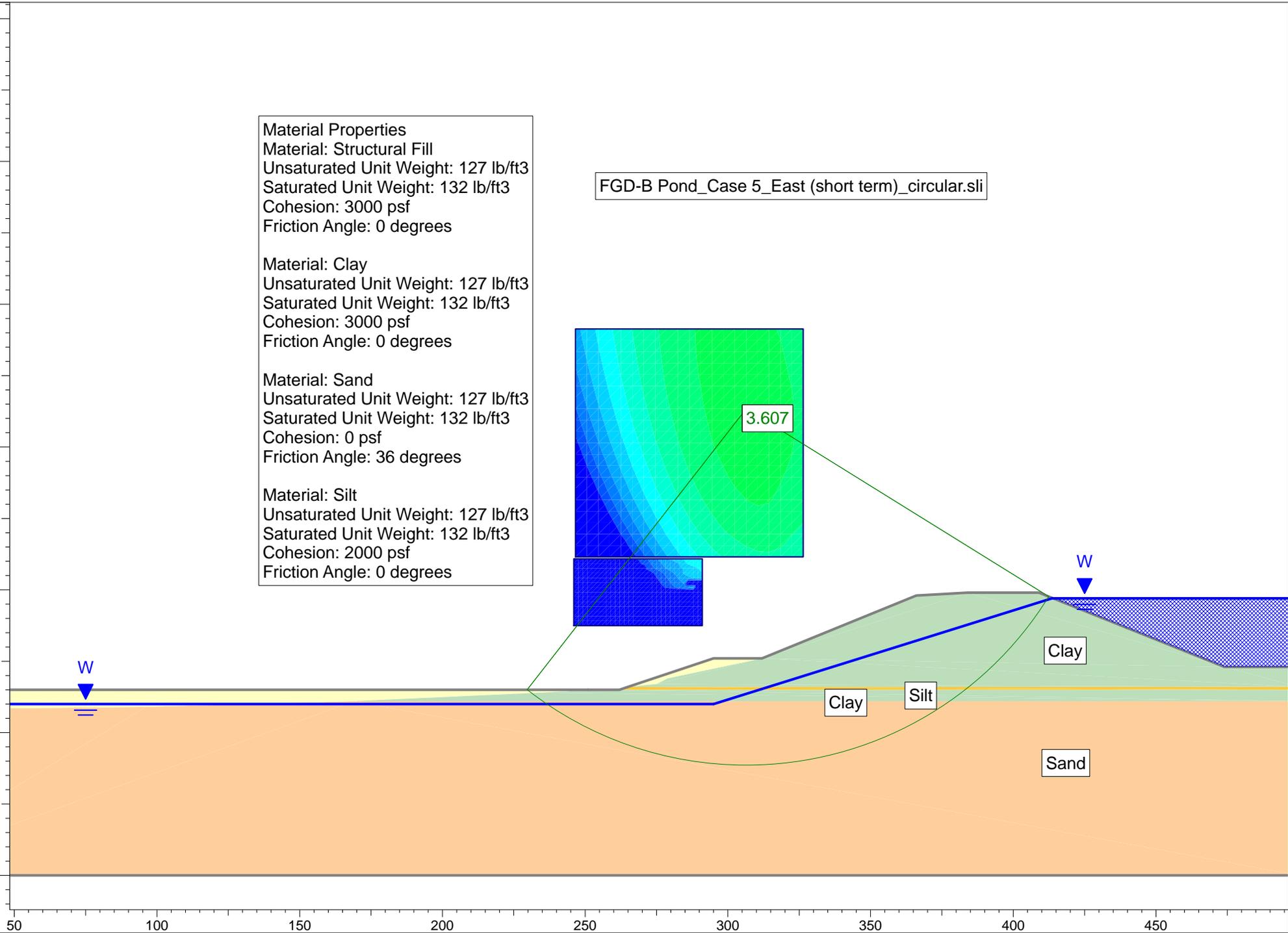
Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees

Material: Silt  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 2000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

FGD-B Pond\_Case 5\_East (short term)\_circular.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 5\_East (short term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond - Case 5 - East Slope (short term)  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer  
  
Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Silt

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 2000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 3.607490  
Center: 306.458, 513.401  
Radius: 124.818  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 229.667, 415.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 412.519, 447.593  
Resisting Moment=6.0554e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.67857e+007 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 3.624800  
Center: 306.458, 513.401  
Radius: 124.818  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 229.667, 415.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 412.519, 447.593  
Resisting Moment=6.08446e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.67857e+007 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=419071 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=115612 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 3.620870  
Center: 306.458, 513.401  
Radius: 124.818  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 229.667, 415.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 412.519, 447.593  
Resisting Moment=6.07787e+007 lb-ft

Driving Moment=1.67857e+007 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=419064 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=115736 lb

### **Valid / Invalid Surfaces**

#### Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 3685

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 5951

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 5552 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 399 surfaces

#### Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 2797

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6839

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 5552 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 479 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 409 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 399 surfaces

#### Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 2810

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6826

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 5552 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 478 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 397 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 399 surfaces

### **Error Codes**

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-108 = Total driving moment or total driving force < 0.1. This is to limit the calculation of extremely high safety factors if the driving force is very small (0.1 is an arbitrary number).

-111 = safety factor equation did not converge

-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-}\alpha = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$  < 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

**CASE 6**

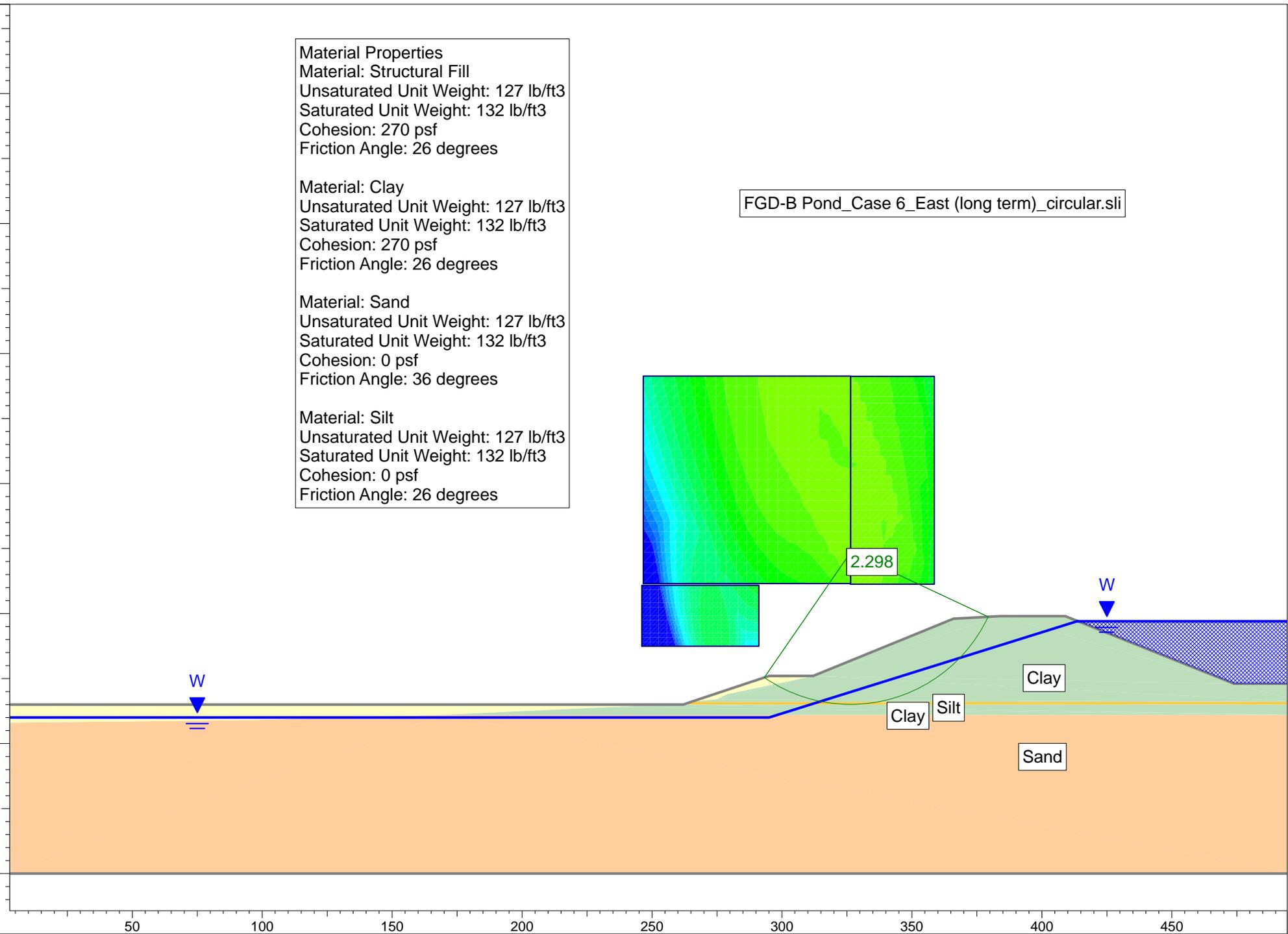
Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees

Material: Silt  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

FGD-B Pond\_Case 6\_East (long term)\_circular.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 6\_East (long term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond - Case 6 - East Slope (long term)  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Silt

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 2.297790  
Center: 326.403, 473.511  
Radius: 58.478  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 293.174, 425.391  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 379.377, 448.743  
Resisting Moment=5.40138e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=2.35069e+006 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 2.301930  
Center: 326.390, 474.187  
Radius: 59.049  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 293.150, 425.383  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 379.684, 448.760  
Resisting Moment=5.46925e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=2.37595e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=81645.7 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=35468.4 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 2.303490  
Center: 326.403, 473.511  
Radius: 58.478  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 293.174, 425.391  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 379.377, 448.743  
Resisting Moment=5.41479e+006 lb-ft

Driving Moment=2.35069e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=81249.3 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=35272.2 lb

### **Valid / Invalid Surfaces**

#### Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 8002  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6562  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 6560 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 2 surfaces

#### Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 7968  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6596  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 6560 surfaces  
Error Code -111 reported for 6 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 30 surfaces

#### Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 7974  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6590  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 6560 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 30 surfaces

### **Error Codes**

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-111 = safety factor equation did not converge

-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$  < 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

**CASE 7**

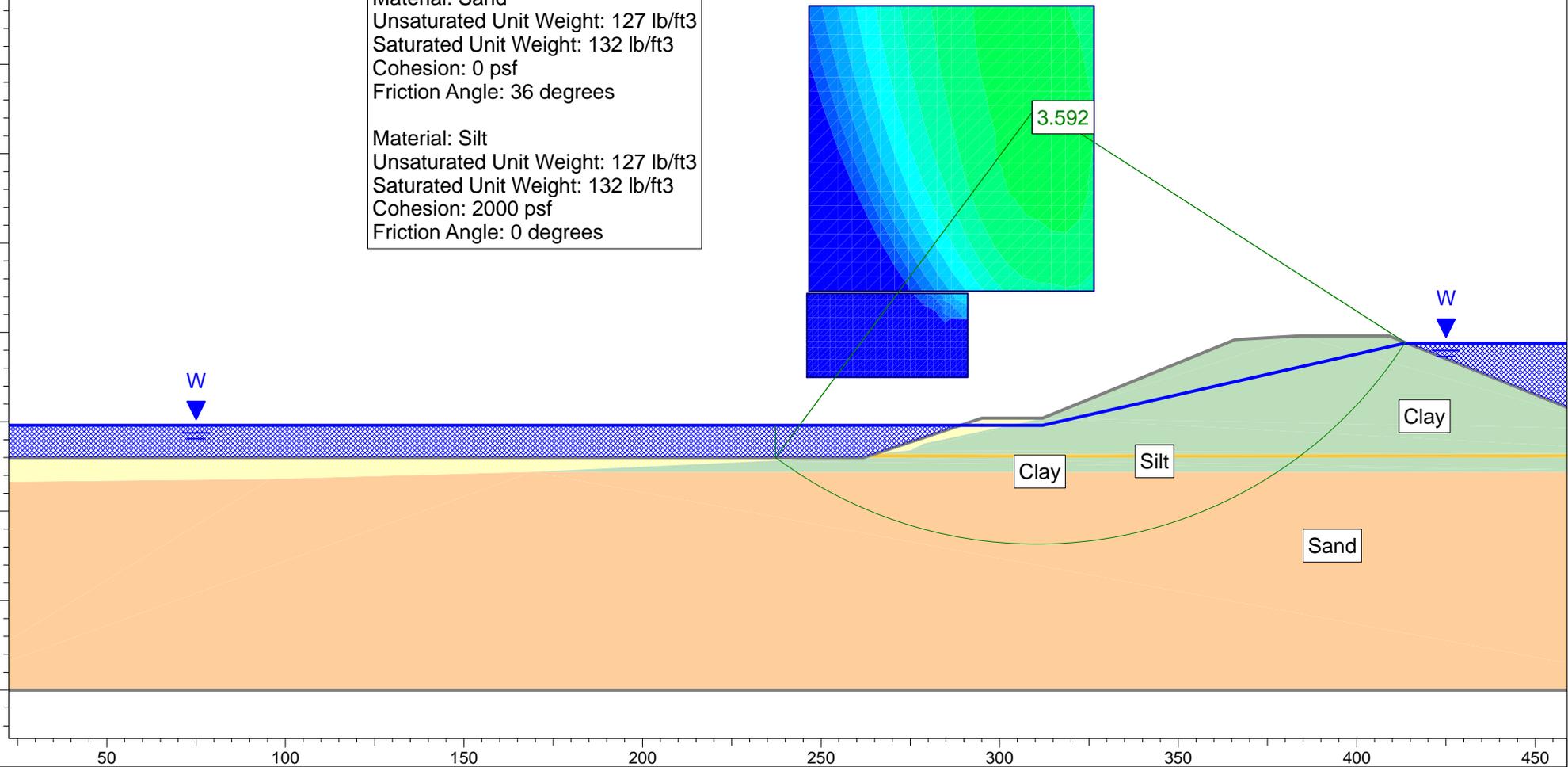
Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees

Material: Silt  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 2000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

FGD-B Pond\_Case 7\_East\_Full (short term)\_circular.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 7\_East\_Full (short term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond - Case 7 - East Slope - Full pond (short term)  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Silt

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 2000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 3.591930  
Center: 310.447, 513.401  
Radius: 122.640  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 237.249, 415.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 413.647, 447.141  
Left Slope Intercept: 237.249 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 413.647 447.141  
Resisting Moment=5.16886e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.43902e+007 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 3.604030  
Center: 310.447, 513.401  
Radius: 122.640  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 237.249, 415.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 413.647, 447.141  
Left Slope Intercept: 237.249 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 413.647 447.141  
Resisting Moment=5.18626e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.43902e+007 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=360700 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=100082 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 3.605250  
Center: 310.447, 513.401

Radius: 122.640  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 237.249, 415.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 413.647, 447.141  
Left Slope Intercept: 237.249 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 413.647 447.141  
Resisting Moment=5.18802e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.43902e+007 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=360971 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=100124 lb

### **Valid / Invalid Surfaces**

Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 3685

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 5951

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 5552 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 399 surfaces

Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 2684

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6952

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 5552 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 644 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 357 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 399 surfaces

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 2684

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6952

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 5552 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 643 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 358 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 399 surfaces

### **Error Codes**

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-108 = Total driving moment or total driving force < 0.1. This is to limit the calculation of extremely high safety factors if the driving force is very small (0.1 is an arbitrary number).

-111 = safety factor equation did not converge

-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-}\alpha = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$   
< 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

**CASE 8**

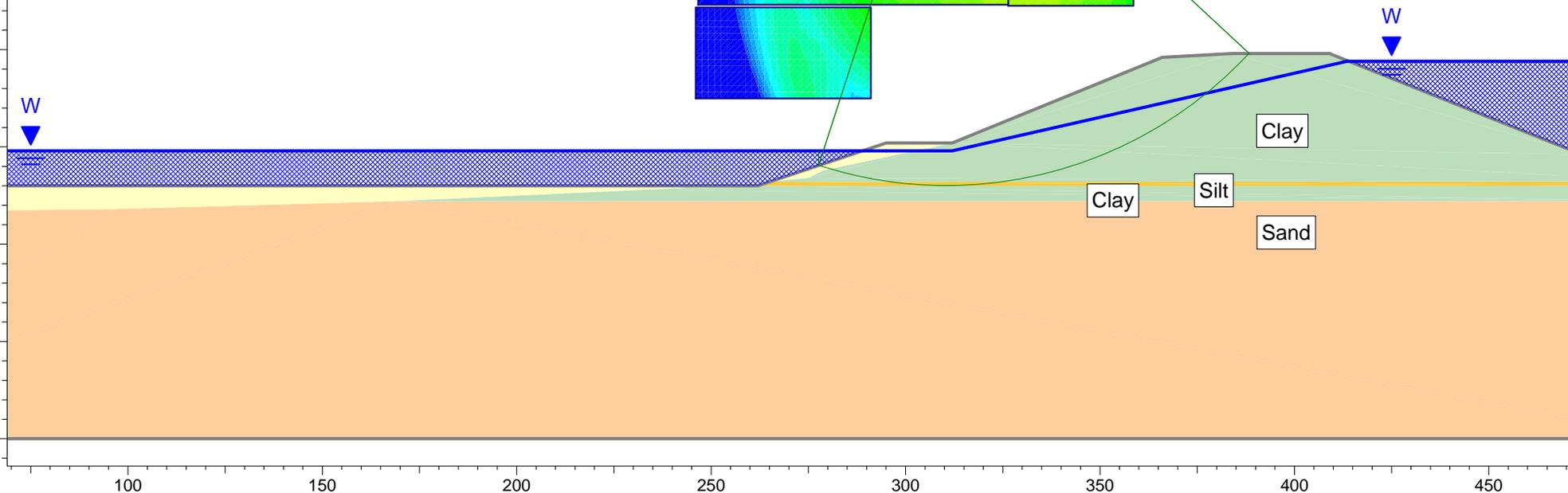
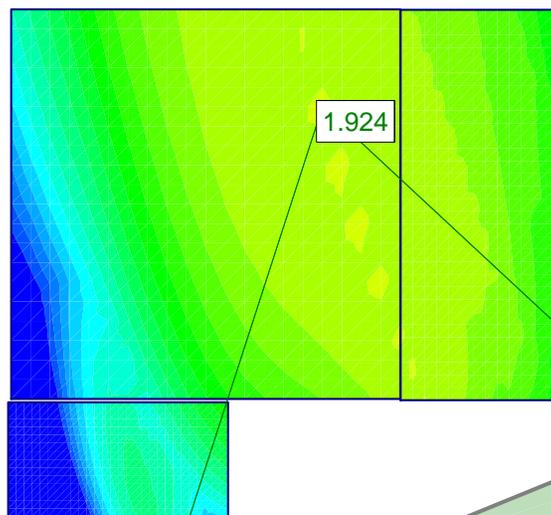
Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees

Material: Silt  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

FGD-B Pond\_Case 8\_East\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 8\_East\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond - Case 8 - East Slope - Full Pond (long term)  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer  
  
Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Silt

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 1.923800  
Center: 310.447, 521.379  
Radius: 106.366  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 277.617, 420.206  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 388.389, 449.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 277.617 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 388.389 449.000  
Resisting Moment=9.24549e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=4.80585e+006 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 1.925810  
Center: 310.447, 521.379  
Radius: 106.366  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 277.617, 420.206  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 388.389, 449.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 277.617 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 388.389 449.000  
Resisting Moment=9.25516e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=4.80585e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=79844.9 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=41460.4 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 1.925320  
Center: 310.447, 521.379

Radius: 106.366  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 277.617, 420.206  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 388.389, 449.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 277.617 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 388.389 449.000  
Resisting Moment=9.25279e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=4.80585e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=79844.5 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=41470.8 lb

### **Valid / Invalid Surfaces**

Method: bishop simplified  
Number of Valid Surfaces: 7997  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6567  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 6560 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 7 surfaces

Method: spencer  
Number of Valid Surfaces: 7971  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6593  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 6560 surfaces  
Error Code -111 reported for 2 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 31 surfaces

Method: gle/morgenstern-price  
Number of Valid Surfaces: 7973  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6591  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 6560 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 31 surfaces

### **Error Codes**

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections,  
but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon  
intersections lie between them. This usually occurs  
when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the  
soil region, but may also occur on a benched  
slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-111 = safety factor equation did not converge

-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$   
< 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out  
some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in  
particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle  
slices in the passive zone.

**CASE 8A**

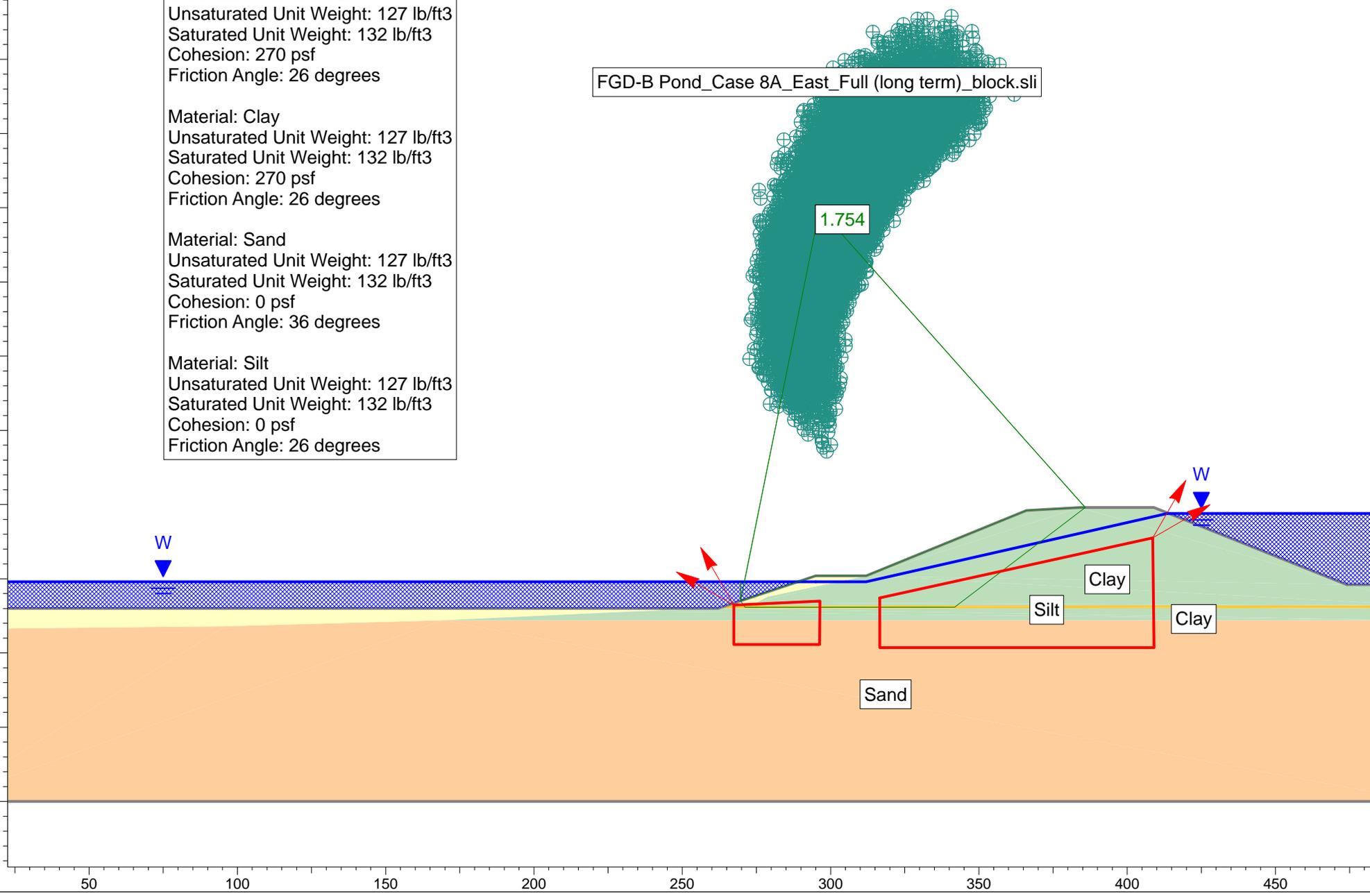
Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees

Material: Silt  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

FGD-B Pond\_Case 8A\_East\_Full (long term)\_block.sli



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 8A\_East\_Full (long term)\_block.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond - Case 8A - East Slope - Full Pond (long term)  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft3  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Non-Circular Block Search  
Number of Surfaces: 15000  
Pseudo-Random Surfaces: Enabled  
Convex Surfaces Only: Disabled  
Left Projection Angle (Start Angle): 120  
Left Projection Angle (End Angle): 150  
Right Projection Angle (Start Angle): 30  
Right Projection Angle (End Angle): 60  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 36 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Silt

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: spencer

FS: 1.824880  
Axis Location: 295.564, 556.395  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 266.293, 416.431  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 389.973, 449.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 266.293 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 389.973 449.000  
Resisting Moment=1.28434e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=7.03794e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=81380.1 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=44594.9 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 1.753770  
Axis Location: 296.291, 549.512  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 269.628, 417.543  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 385.868, 449.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 269.628 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 385.868 449.000  
Resisting Moment=1.04154e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=5.93885e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=69063.9 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=39380.3 lb

## Valid / Invalid Surfaces

Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 13449

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 1551

Error Codes:

Error Code -108 reported for 1443 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 105 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 3 surfaces

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 14245

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 755

Error Codes:

Error Code -108 reported for 712 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 40 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 3 surfaces

## Error Codes

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-108 = Total driving moment  
or total driving force < 0.1. This is to  
limit the calculation of extremely high safety  
factors if the driving force is very small  
(0.1 is an arbitrary number).

-111 = safety factor equation did not converge

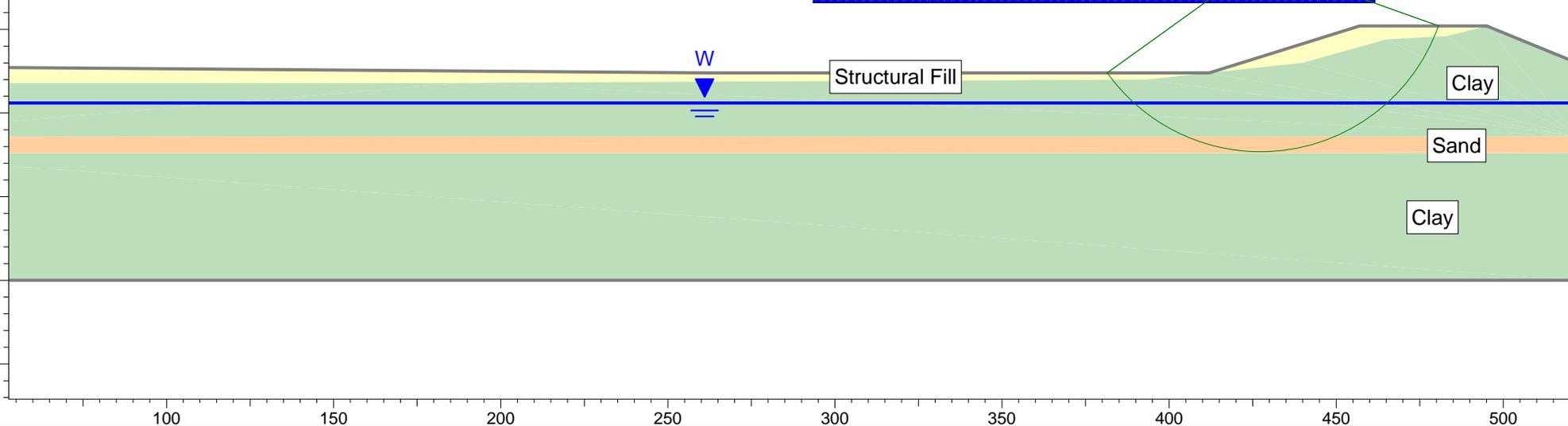
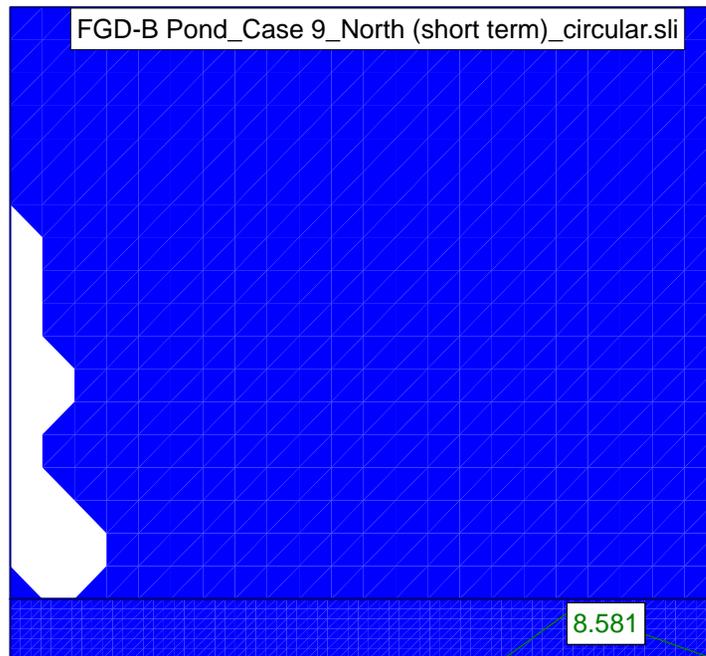
-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$   
< 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out  
some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in  
particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle  
slices in the passive zone.

**CASE 9**

Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 9\_North (short term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond: Case 9 North Slope (short term)  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

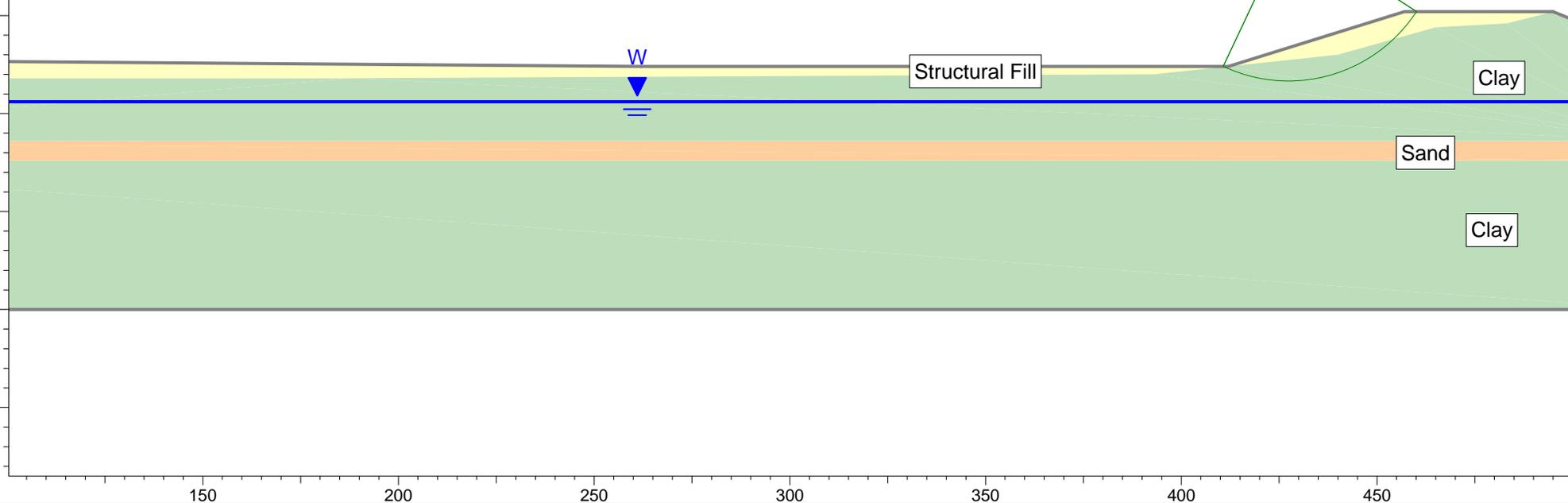
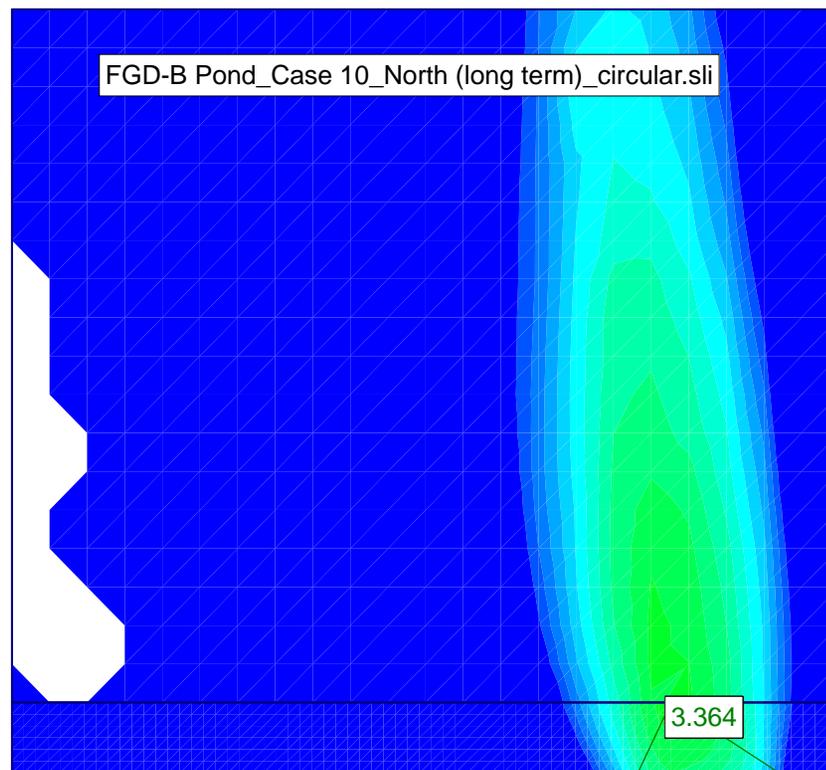
Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**CASE 10**

Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees

Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 10\_North (long term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond: Case 10 North Slope (long term)  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft3  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer  
  
Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 3.363860  
Center: 427.394, 447.323  
Radius: 39.070  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 410.698, 412.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 460.133, 426.000  
Resisting Moment=1.46046e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=434162 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 3.356090  
Center: 427.394, 447.323  
Radius: 39.070  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 410.698, 412.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 460.133, 426.000  
Resisting Moment=1.45709e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=434162 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=33869.7 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=10092 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 3.360740  
Center: 427.394, 447.323  
Radius: 39.070  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 410.698, 412.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 460.133, 426.000  
Resisting Moment=1.45911e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=434162 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=33872.6 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=10078.9 lb

**Valid / Invalid Surfaces**Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 6042

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4155  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 3207 surfaces  
Error Code -107 reported for 838 surfaces  
Error Code -108 reported for 75 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 35 surfaces

Method: spencer  
Number of Valid Surfaces: 5364  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4833  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 3207 surfaces  
Error Code -107 reported for 838 surfaces  
Error Code -108 reported for 739 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 49 surfaces

Method: gle/morgenstern-price  
Number of Valid Surfaces: 5359  
Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4838  
Error Codes:  
Error Code -103 reported for 3207 surfaces  
Error Code -107 reported for 838 surfaces  
Error Code -108 reported for 743 surfaces  
Error Code -112 reported for 50 surfaces

### Error Codes

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-107 = Total driving moment or total driving force is negative. This will occur if the wrong failure direction is specified, or if high external or anchor loads are applied against the failure direction.

-108 = Total driving moment or total driving force < 0.1. This is to limit the calculation of extremely high safety factors if the driving force is very small (0.1 is an arbitrary number).

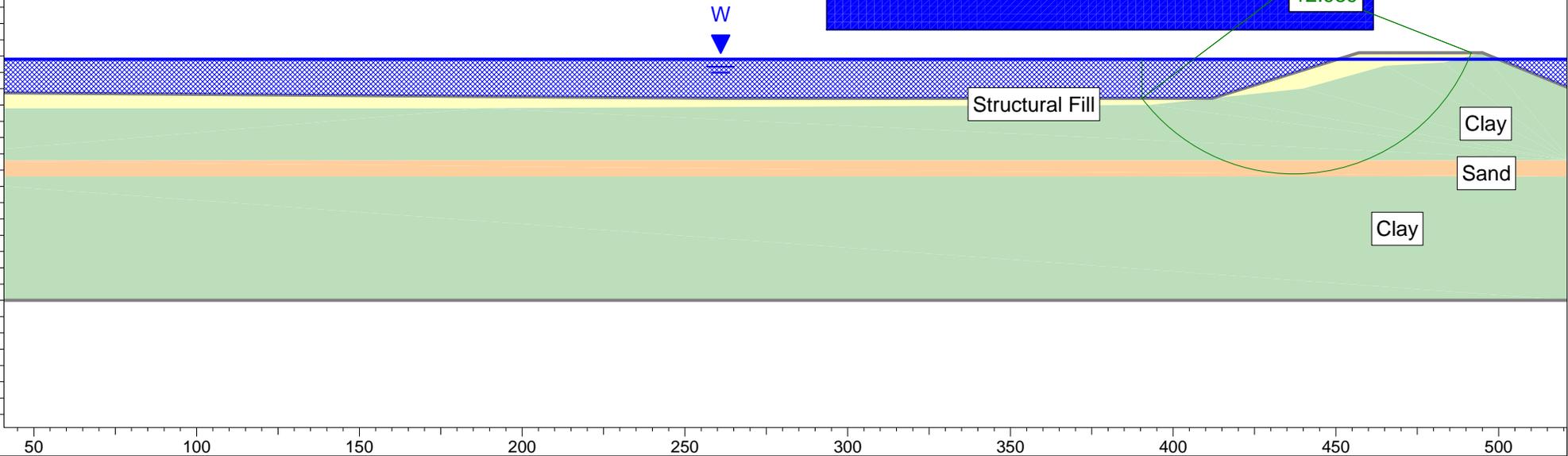
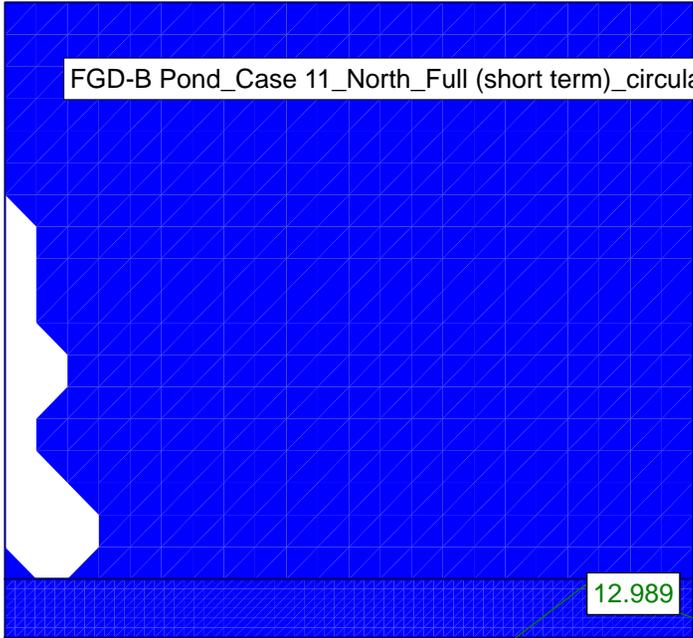
-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$  < 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

**CASE 11**

Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees

Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees



# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 11\_North\_Full (short term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond: Case 11 North Slope - Full (short term)  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft3  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 3000 psf  
Friction Angle: 0 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 12.988600  
Center: 437.124, 447.323  
Radius: 58.544  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 390.437, 412.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 491.646, 426.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 390.437 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 491.646 426.000  
Resisting Moment=1.73407e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.33507e+006 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 12.987800  
Center: 437.124, 447.323  
Radius: 58.544  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 390.437, 412.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 491.646, 426.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 390.437 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 491.646 426.000  
Resisting Moment=1.73397e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.33507e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=229223 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=17649.1 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 12.989900  
Center: 437.124, 447.323  
Radius: 58.544  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 390.437, 412.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 491.646, 426.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 390.437 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 491.646 426.000  
Resisting Moment=1.73425e+007 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=1.33507e+006 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=229264 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=17649.4 lb

## Valid / Invalid Surfaces

### Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 5876

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4321

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 3207 surfaces

Error Code -107 reported for 835 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 74 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 205 surfaces

### Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 4166

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6031

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 3207 surfaces

Error Code -107 reported for 835 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 1299 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 485 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 205 surfaces

### Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 4166

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 6031

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 3207 surfaces

Error Code -107 reported for 835 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 1299 surfaces

Error Code -111 reported for 485 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 205 surfaces

## Error Codes

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-107 = Total driving moment or total driving force is negative. This will occur if the wrong failure direction is specified, or if high external or anchor loads are applied against the failure direction.

-108 = Total driving moment or total driving force < 0.1. This is to limit the calculation of extremely high safety factors if the driving force is very small (0.1 is an arbitrary number).

-111 = safety factor equation did not converge

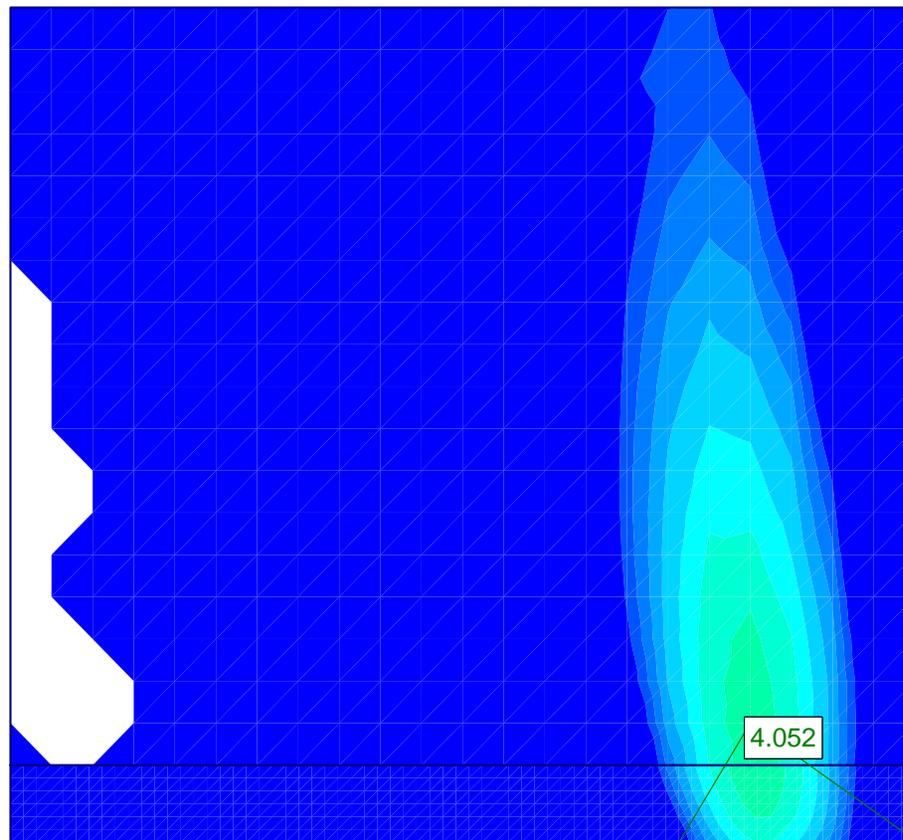
-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$   
< 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

**CASE 12**

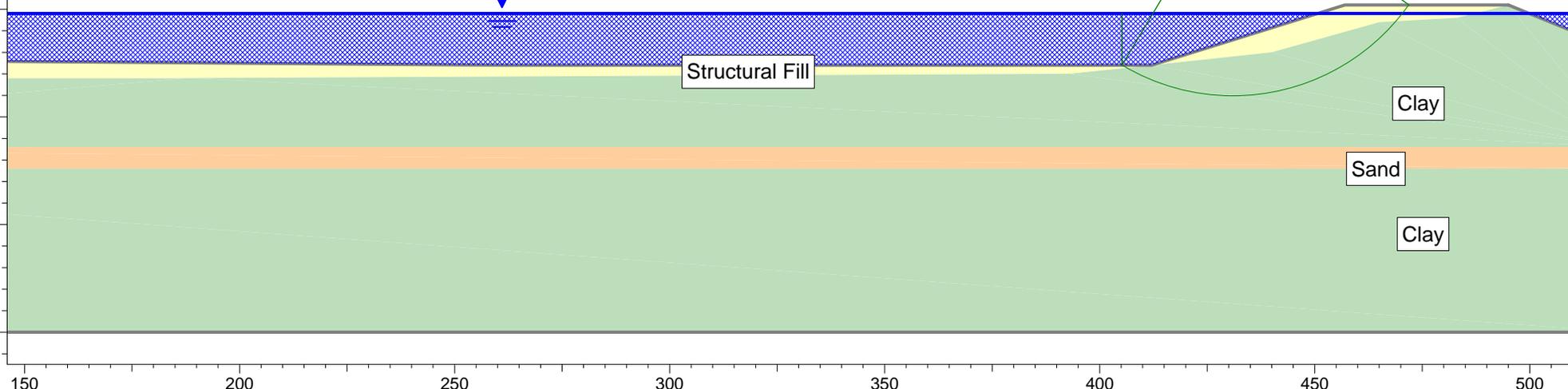
FGD-B Pond\_Case 12\_North\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli

Material Properties  
Material: Structural Fill  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
  
Material: Clay  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
  
Material: Sand  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft3  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft3  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees

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Structural Fill

Clay

Sand

Clay

150 200 250 300 350 400 450 500

# ***Slide Analysis Information***

## **Document Name**

File Name: FGD-B Pond\_Case 12\_North\_Full (long term)\_circular.sli

## **Project Settings**

Project Title: FGD-B Pond: Case 12 North Slope - Full (long term)  
Failure Direction: Right to Left  
Units of Measurement: Imperial Units  
Pore Fluid Unit Weight: 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Groundwater Method: Water Surfaces  
Data Output: Standard  
Calculate Excess Pore Pressure: Off  
Allow Ru with Water Surfaces or Grids: Off  
Random Numbers: Pseudo-random Seed  
Random Number Seed: 10116  
Random Number Generation Method: Park and Miller v.3

## **Analysis Methods**

Analysis Methods used:  
Bishop simplified  
GLE/Morgenstern-Price with interslice force function: Half Sine  
Spencer

Number of slices: 50  
Tolerance: 0.005  
Maximum number of iterations: 50

## **Surface Options**

Surface Type: Circular  
Search Method: Grid Search  
Radius increment: 10  
Composite Surfaces: Disabled  
Reverse Curvature: Create Tension Crack  
Minimum Elevation: Not Defined  
Minimum Depth: Not Defined

## **Material Properties**

Material: Structural Fill  
Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Clay

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 270 psf  
Friction Angle: 26 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

Material: Sand

Strength Type: Mohr-Coulomb  
Unsaturated Unit Weight: 127 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Saturated Unit Weight: 132 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>  
Cohesion: 0 psf  
Friction Angle: 32 degrees  
Water Surface: Water Table  
Custom Hu value: 1

**Global Minimums**Method: bishop simplified

FS: 4.051780  
Center: 430.962, 455.131  
Radius: 50.257  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 405.164, 412.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 471.915, 426.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 405.164 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 471.915 426.000  
Resisting Moment=2.27128e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=560563 lb-ft

Method: spencer

FS: 4.048490  
Center: 430.962, 455.131  
Radius: 50.257  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 405.164, 412.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 471.915, 426.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 405.164 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 471.915 426.000  
Resisting Moment=2.26943e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=560563 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=41061.6 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=10142.5 lb

Method: gle/morgenstern-price

FS: 4.047140  
Center: 430.962, 455.131  
Radius: 50.257  
Left Slip Surface Endpoint: 405.164, 412.000  
Right Slip Surface Endpoint: 471.915, 426.000  
Left Slope Intercept: 405.164 424.000  
Right Slope Intercept: 471.915 426.000  
Resisting Moment=2.26868e+006 lb-ft  
Driving Moment=560563 lb-ft  
Resisting Horizontal Force=41060 lb  
Driving Horizontal Force=10145.4 lb

## Valid / Invalid Surfaces

### Method: bishop simplified

Number of Valid Surfaces: 6009

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4188

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 3207 surfaces

Error Code -107 reported for 835 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 74 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 72 surfaces

### Method: spencer

Number of Valid Surfaces: 5250

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4947

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 3207 surfaces

Error Code -107 reported for 835 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 826 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 79 surfaces

### Method: gle/morgenstern-price

Number of Valid Surfaces: 5288

Number of Invalid Surfaces: 4909

Error Codes:

Error Code -103 reported for 3207 surfaces

Error Code -107 reported for 835 surfaces

Error Code -108 reported for 787 surfaces

Error Code -112 reported for 80 surfaces

## Error Codes

The following errors were encountered during the computation:

-103 = Two surface / slope intersections, but one or more surface / nonslope external polygon intersections lie between them. This usually occurs when the slip surface extends past the bottom of the soil region, but may also occur on a benched slope model with two sets of Slope Limits.

-107 = Total driving moment or total driving force is negative. This will occur if the wrong failure direction is specified, or if high external or anchor loads are applied against the failure direction.

-108 = Total driving moment or total driving force < 0.1. This is to limit the calculation of extremely high safety factors if the driving force is very small (0.1 is an arbitrary number).

-112 = The coefficient  $M\text{-Alpha} = \cos(\alpha)(1 + \tan(\alpha)\tan(\phi))/F$  < 0.2 for the final iteration of the safety factor calculation. This screens out

some slip surfaces which may not be valid in the context of the analysis, in particular, deep seated slip surfaces with many high negative base angle slices in the passive zone.

**APPENDIX E  
IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS GEOTECHNICAL REPORT**

# Important Information About Your Geotechnical Engineering Report

*Subsurface problems are a principal cause of construction delays, cost overruns, claims, and disputes. The following information is provided to help you manage your risks.*

## Geotechnical Services Are Performed for Specific Purposes, Persons, and Projects

Geotechnical engineers structure their services to meet the specific needs of their clients. A geotechnical engineering study conducted for a civil engineer may not fulfill the needs of a construction contractor or even another civil engineer. Because each geotechnical engineering study is unique, each geotechnical engineering report is unique, prepared solely for the client. *No one except you* should rely on your geotechnical engineering report without first conferring with the geotechnical engineer who prepared it. *And no one - not even you* - should apply the report for any purpose or project except the one originally contemplated.

## A Geotechnical Engineering Report Is Based on A Unique Set of Project-Specific Factors

Geotechnical engineers consider a number of unique, Project-specific factors when establishing the scope of a study. Typical factors include the client's goals, objectives, and risk management preferences; the general nature of the structure involved, its size, and configuration; the location of the structure on the site; and other planned or existing site improvements, such as access roads, parking lots, and underground utilities. Unless the geotechnical engineer who conducted the study specifically indicates otherwise, *do not rely on a geotechnical engineering report that was:*

- not prepared for you,
- not prepared for your project.
- not prepared for the specific site explored, or
- completed before important project changes were made.

Typical changes that can erode the reliability of an existing geotechnical engineering report include those that affect:

- the function of the proposed structure, as when it's changed from a parking garage to an office building, or from a light industrial plant to a refrigerated warehouse,
- elevation, configuration, location, orientation, or weight of the proposed structure,
- composition of the design team, or
- project ownership.

As a general rule, always inform your geotechnical engineer of project changes-even minor ones-and request an assessment of their impact. *Geotechnical engineers cannot accept responsibility or liability for problems that occur because their reports do not consider developments of which they were not informed.*

## Subsurface Conditions Can Change

A geotechnical engineering report is based on conditions that existed at the time the study was performed. *Do not rely on a geotechnical engineering report* whose adequacy may have been affected by: the passage of time; by man-made events, such as construction on or adjacent to the site; or by natural events, such as floods, earthquakes, or groundwater fluctuations. *Always* contact the geotechnical engineer before applying the report to determine if it is still reliable. A minor amount of additional testing or analysis could prevent major problems.

## Most Geotechnical Findings Are Professional Opinions

Site exploration identifies subsurface conditions only at those points where subsurface tests are conducted or samples are taken. Geotechnical engineers review field and laboratory data and then apply their professional judgment to render an *opinion* about subsurface conditions throughout the site. Actual sub-surface conditions may differ - sometimes significantly - from those indicated in your report. Retaining the geotechnical engineer who developed your report to provide construction observation is the most effective method of managing the risks associated with unanticipated conditions

## A Report's Recommendations Are *Not* Final

Do not over-rely on the construction recommendations included in your report. Those *recommendations are not final*, because geotechnical engineers develop them principally from judgment and opinion. Geotechnical engineers can finalize their recommendations only by observing actual subsurface conditions revealed during construction. *The geotechnical engineer who developed your report cannot assume responsibility or liability* for the report's recommendations if that engineer does not perform construction observation.

## A Geotechnical Engineering Report Is Subject To Misinterpretation

Other design team members' misinterpretation of geotechnical engineering reports has resulted in costly problems. Lower that risk by having your geotechnical engineer confer with appropriate members of the design team after submitting the report. Also retain your geotechnical engineer to review pertinent elements of the design team's plans and specifications. Contractors can also misinterpret a geotechnical engineering report. Reduce that risk by having your geotechnical engineer participate in prebid and preconstruction conferences, and by providing construction observation.

## Do Not Redraw the Engineer's Logs

Geotechnical engineers prepare final boring and testing logs based upon their interpretation of field logs and laboratory data. To prevent errors or omissions, the logs included in a geotechnical engineering report should never be redrawn for inclusion in architectural or other design drawings. Only photo graphic or electronic reproduction is acceptable, *but recognize that separating logs from the report can elevate risk.*

## Give Contractors a Complete Report and Guidance

Some owners and design professionals mistakenly believe they can make contractors liable for unanticipated subsurface conditions by limiting what they provide for bid preparation. To help prevent costly problems, give contractors the complete geotechnical engineering report, but preface it with a clearly written letter of transmittal. In that letter, advise contractors that the report was not prepared for purposes of bid development and that the report's accuracy is limited; encourage them to confer with the geotechnical engineer who prepared the report (a modest fee may be required) and/or to conduct additional study to obtain the specific types of information they need or prefer. A brand conference can also be valuable. *Be sure contractors have sufficient time* to perform additional study. Only then might you be in a position to give contractors the best information available to you, while requiring them to at least share some of the financial responsibilities stemming from unanticipated conditions.

## Read Responsibility Provisions Closely

Some clients, design professionals, and contractors do not recognize that geotechnical engineering is far less exact than other engineering disciplines. This lack of understanding has created unrealistic expectations that have led to disappointments, claims, and disputes. To help reduce such risks, geotechnical engineers commonly include a variety of explanatory provisions in their reports. Sometimes labeled "limitations", many of these provisions indicate where geotechnical engineers responsibilities begin and end, to help others recognize their own responsibilities and risks. Read these provisions closely. Ask questions. Your geotechnical engineer should respond fully and frankly.

## Geoenvironmental Concerns Are Not Covered

The equipment, techniques, and personnel used to perform a geoenvironmental study differ significantly from those used to perform a geotechnical study. For that reason, a geotechnical engineering report does not usually relate any geoenvironmental findings, conclusions, or recommendations: e.g., about the likelihood of encountering underground storage tanks or regulated contaminants. *Unanticipated environmental problems have led to numerous project failures.* If you have not yet obtained your own geoenvironmental information, ask your geotechnical consultant for risk management guidance. *Do not rely on an environmental report prepared for someone else.*

## Rely on Your Geotechnical Engineer for Additional Assistance

Membership in ASFE exposes geotechnical engineers to a wide army of risk management techniques that can be of genuine benefit for everyone involved with a construction project. Confer with your ASFE-member geotechnical engineer for more information.

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