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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Luminant Generation Company LLC (Luminant) operates the Big Brown Steam Electric Station (BBSES) located approximately ten miles northeast of Fairfield, Texas in Freestone County (see Figure 1). The BBSES consists of two coal/lignite-fired units with a combined operating capacity of approximately 1,150 megawatts. Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) including fly ash, bottom ash, and boiler slag are generated as part of BBSES unit operation.

The CCR Rule (40 CFR 257 Subpart D - Standards for the Receipt of Coal Combustion Residuals in Landfills and Surface Impoundments) has been promulgated by EPA to regulate the management and disposal of CCRs as solid waste under Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Subtitle D. The final CCR Rule was published in the Federal Register on April 17, 2015. The effective date of the CCR Rule was October 19, 2015.

The CCR Rule establishes national operating criteria for existing CCR surface impoundments and landfills, including development of closure plans for all CCR impoundments and landfills. Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC (PBW) was retained by Luminant to develop this closure plan for the CCR impoundments and landfills at the BBSES.

1.1 CCR Landfill Closure Plan Requirements

Section 257.102(b) of the CCR Rule specifies that a written closure plan must be prepared for each existing CCR unit that describes the steps necessary to close the landfill at any point during the active life of the unit consistent with recognized and generally accepted good engineering practices. The closure plan must include, at a minimum, the following information:

- A narrative description of how the CCR unit will be closed in accordance with Section 257.102;
- If closure of the unit will be accomplished by leaving CCR in place, the closure plan will provide a description of the final cover system designed in accordance with Section 257.102(d) of the CCR Rule, including details concerning the methods and procedures used to install the final cover. The closure plan must also discuss how the final cover system will achieve the following performance standards specified in Section 257.102(d):
 - Control, minimize or eliminate, to the maximum extent feasible, post-closure infiltration
 of liquids into the waste and releases of CCR, leachate, or contaminated run-off to the
 ground or surface waters or to the atmosphere;
 - Preclude the probability of future impoundment of water, sediment, or slurry;

- Include measures that provide for major slope stability to prevent the sloughing or movement of the final cover system during the closure and post-closure care period;
- Minimize the need for further maintenance of the unit; and
- Be completed in the shortest amount of time consistent with recognized and generally accepted good engineering practices.

The final cover system must be designed and constructed to meet the following criteria:

- The permeability of the final cover system must be less than or equal to the permeability of any bottom liner system or natural subsoils present, or a permeability no greater than 1 \times 10⁻⁵ cm/sec, whichever is less.
- The infiltration of liquids through the closed CCR unit must be minimized by the use of an infiltration layer that contains a minimum of 18 inches of earthen material.
- The erosion of the final cover system must be minimized by the use of an erosion layer that contains a minimum of six inches of earthen material that is capable of sustaining native plant growth.
- The disruption of the integrity of the final cover system must be minimized through a design that accommodates settling and subsidence.

An alternative final cover system design may also be used, provided the alternative final cover system is designed and constructed to meet the following criteria:

- The alternative final cover system must include an infiltration layer that achieves an equivalent reduction in infiltration as the infiltration layer specified above.
- The alternative final cover system must include an erosion layer that provides equivalent protection from wind or water erosion as the erosion layer specified above
- The disruption of the integrity of the alternative final cover system must be minimized through a design that accommodates settling and subsidence.
- An estimate of the maximum inventory of CCR ever on-site over the active life of the unit and an estimate of the largest area of the unit ever requiring a final cover at any time during the active life of the unit.
- A schedule for completing all activities necessary to satisfy the closure criteria, including an estimate of the year in which all closure activities for the unit will be completed. The schedule should provide sufficient information to describe the sequential steps that will be taken to close the unit, including identification of major milestones such as coordinating with and obtaining necessary approvals and permits from other agencies, or installation of the final cover system, and the estimated timeframes to complete each step or phase of unit closure.
- In accordance with Section 257.102(e)(1) of the CCR Rule, closure of a unit must be initiated no later than 30 days after the date on which the unit either receives the known final receipt of CCR or non-CCR waste or the known final volume of CCR is removed from the unit for the purpose of

beneficial use. Additional two year extensions to initiate closure may be obtained with appropriate documentation.

• In accordance with Section 257.102(f) of the CCR Rule, closure of a landfill must be completed within six months of commencing closure activities. Additional extensions to complete closure may be obtained with appropriate documentation.

The landfill closure plan must be certified by a qualified professional engineer and must document how the closure plan has been designed and constructed to comply with the requirements of section 257.102(b)(4) of the CCR Rule.

In accordance with 257.102(b)(2) of the CCR Rule, the initial written closure plan for an existing CCR unit must be completed and placed in the facility operating record no later than October 17, 2016.

1.2 BBSES Units Subject to CCR Closure Plan Requirements

The CCR Rule defines coal combustion residuals such as fly ash, bottom ash, boiler slag, flue gas desulfurization (FGD) materials (gypsum), and related solids generated from burning coal for the purpose of generating electricity by electric utilities and independent power producers. The closure plan requirements of the CCR Rule apply to existing and new CCR landfills that dispose or otherwise engage in solid waste management of CCR.

The only CCR Unit at BBSES that meets the definition of a CCR Landfill is Ash Disposal Area II. Ash Disposal Area II is located on the north side of the BBSES approximately 5,000 feet northeast of the power plant (Figure 2). Ash Disposal Area II consists of ten existing landfill cells (Cells 1 through 10) on the eastern side, one existing landfill cell that has been constructed but not yet used for CCR placement (Cell 11) and nine future landfill cells (Cells 12 through 20) on the western side. Ash Disposal Area II was registered with the TCEQ as a Class 2 non-hazardous industrial waste landfill in 1986 under SWR No. 30080 (ERM, 1986). The landfill registration was amended in 2009 to include future Cells 11 through 20 (HDR, 2009).

Ash Disposal Area II Cells 1 through 11 are collectively considered an "existing landfill" under 40 CFR 257.53, since:

- Continuous construction of Cells 1 through 11 commenced prior to October 19, 2015;
- Cells 1 through 10 received CCR before and/or after October 19, 2015; and
- Cell 11 will receive CCR after October 19, 2015.

The portion of Ash Disposal Area II consisting of Cells 12 through 20 will be considered a Lateral Expansion to an Existing Landfill and will be subject to the additional CCR Rule requirements for Lateral Expansions.

This closure plan was prepared for the entirety of Ash Disposal Area II, including existing CCR Landfill Cells 1 through 11 and future CCR Landfill Cells 12 through 20. In accordance with 257.104 of the CCR Rule, the closure plan must be amended in the future if construction of Cells 12 through 20 varies from the configuration presented as part of this closure plan.

1.3 Description of Ash Disposal Area II

An existing site plan for the Ash Disposal Area II Landfill is shown on Figure 3. Ash Disposal Area II covers an area of approximately 240 acres and consists of ten active landfill cells (Cells 1 through 10) on the east side, one landfill cell that has been constructed but not yet used (Cell 11), and nine future landfill cells (Cells 12 through 20) on the west side. Cells 1 through 5 were constructed in sequence beginning in approximately 1987 (TUGC, 1986). Cells 6 through 11 were constructed in sequence beginning in approximately 1992 (SWL, 1992).

The landfill is constructed partially above and partially below grade and is surrounded by engineered earthen dikes that extend approximately 10 to 15 feet above the surrounding grade. Cells 1 through 11 have a 3-foot thick compacted clay liner (TUGC, 1986; SWL, 1992). Cells 12 through 20 will be constructed with either a composite liner that meets the requirements of Section 257.70(b) of the CCR Rule or an alternative composite liner that meets the requirements of Section 257.70(c) of the CCR Rule, and a leachate collection and removal system that meets the requirements of Section 257.70(d) of the CCR Rule.

As of 2016, the majority of the surface areas of Cells 1 through 8 have been covered with either a permanent clay cap or a temporary soil cap (HDR, 2015). CCR placement is currently taking place in small portions of Cells 1, 2, 3 and 8 and in all of Cells 9 and 10 (See Figure 3). As shown in Figure 3, the permanent clay cap covers an area of approximately 17.5 acres along the west side of the landfill and also a small portion of the north side of the landfill (1.5 acres). The permanent clay cap consists of a minimum 3-foot thick compacted clay liner with a hydraulic conductivity of 1 x 10⁻⁷ cm/sec or less topped by a minimum 18" thick vegetative soil layer (See Figure 3). The temporary soil cap covers an

area of approximately 75 acres and varies in thickness from approximately 10 to 24 inches of sandy clay. Vegetation has already been established on both of these covered areas. The existing area where the permanent clay cap has been installed will be integrated with the overall permanent landfill cap as part of final landfill closure. A permanent landfill cap is proposed to be constructed on top of the areas covered with a temporary soil cap as part of final landfill closure.



2.0 CLOSURE PLAN FOR ASH DISPOSAL AREA II

The closure plan presented herein for the Ash Disposal Area II Landfill was developed in accordance with the requirements of Section 257.102 of the CCR Rule. However, given the fundamental assumptions used as the basis of the closure plan, this plan should be considered conceptual in nature. Upon initiation of final CCR unit closure activities, the conceptual closure plan should be reviewed and revised as needed to ensure appropriate modifications are incorporated into the final design plans and specifications that account for differences prior to release for bidding and construction.

2.1 Description of Ash Disposal Area II Closure

As described in Section 1, Luminant plans to close Ash Disposal Area II in accordance with Section 257.102(d) of the CCR Rule by leaving the CCR in-place and constructing a final cover system over the CCR located within the combined footprint of Cells 1 through 20. As described in Section 2.3, the final cover system will be designed to achieve the performance standards previously stated in Section 1.1.

2.2 Final Cover System

A final cover system will be constructed over the CCR placed in Ash Disposal Area II. For the purposes of this conceptual closure plan, two final cover system options for the unit are presented in this section:

- Option 1 Compacted Clay Cap
- Option 2 Linear Low Density Polyethylene Cap

In accordance with Section 257.102(d) of the CCR Rule, the permeability of each final cover system option will be less than or equal to the permeability of the existing bottom liner in the unit (i.e. 3 feet of compacted clay for Cells 1 through 11 and a composite liner complying with Sections 257.70(b) or 257.70(c) of the CCR Rule for Cells 12 through 20). The configuration of the proposed grading plan for the final cover system is illustrated in Figure 4. Typical construction details for both final cover systems are provided in Figures 6 and 7. Example technical specifications for the components of the final cover system options are shown in Appendix A. The materials and construction procedures for the proposed final cover system alternatives have been selected to minimize potential for differential settlement and subsidence. Post-closure monitoring activities will be performed to ensure the cover system complies with the requirements of the CCR Rule. Furthermore, an evaluation of infiltration through the proposed cover systems was developed using the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Hydrologic Evaluation of Landfill Performance (HELP) model (Appendix B). As demonstrated by the HELP model results, the

permeability of the clay cap (infiltration layer) final cover system option will be less than or equal to the permeability of the bottom liner system and the permeability of the linear low density polyethylene cap option will achieve an improved reduction in infiltration compared to the clay cap (infiltration layer) option. Both final cover options will be designed to minimize impounding of water on the cap and associated long-term care activities.

2.2.1 Compacted Clay Cap

Select fill and/or CCR deemed suitable for beneficial use will be placed within the proposed limits of the final cover system for the unit to the lines and grades specified for the cap subgrade (See Figures 4, 6 and 7). Upon placement of CCR to within approximately 5' of the proposed finished grade, approved select fill material (i.e. embankment spoil material or contactor-supplied select fill) will be placed in accordance with the specifications for cap subgrade. A minimum 3' thick compacted clay liner (infiltration layer) with permeability of no greater than 1x10⁻⁷ cm/sec will be placed on the prepared cap subgrade material. Cap subgrade and clay cap material selection, placement, compaction and testing will conform to the Technical Specifications in Section 02320 and 02330, respectively (Appendix A). An 18-inch (minimum thickness) vegetative soil layer will be placed in a single loose lift over the clay cap and permanent vegetative cover will be established in accordance with Sections 02340 and 02350 of the Technical Specification (Appendix A).

2.2.2 Linear Low Density Polyethylene Cap

Select fill and/or CCR deemed suitable for beneficial use will be placed within the proposed limits of the landfill cover system to the lines and grades specified for the cap subgrade (Figure 4). Upon placement of select fill or CCR to within approximately two feet of proposed finished grade, 6 inches of approved select fill material (i.e. embankment spoil material or contactor-supplied select fill) will be placed in accordance with the specifications for cap subgrade. A 40-mil linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE) liner will be installed over the cap subgrade. LLDPE liner deployment, field seaming, and field quality assurance testing will conform to Section 2420 of the Technical Specifications. A geonet drainage layer will be installed above the LLDPE liner to provide lateral drainage relief of infiltration from the overlying vegetative soil layer. A 12-inch minimum thickness fill soil layer and a 6-inch minimum thickness vegetative soil layer will be placed over the prepared clay cap and permanent vegetative cover will be established in accordance with Sections 02340 and 02350 of the Technical Specifications.

2.3 Final Cover System Slope Stability

Selection of suitable construction materials, proper material placement, and quality assurance testing of both the subgrade preparation and cover system installation in accordance with the Technical Specifications (Appendix A) will ensure stability of the final cover system. The SLIDE 7.0 equilibrium slope stability model was used to demonstrate that the proposed cover system is stable at the slopes specified in the conceptual closure plan (see Appendix C).

2.4 Stormwater Run-off Control

As shown in Figure 4, the final grading of the landfill cover system will establish uniform cap slopes of approximately 3-5% percent with typical slope lengths that vary from approximately 600-1,300 feet. The landfill is constructed partially above and partially below grade and is surrounded by engineered earthen dikes that extend approximately 10 to 15 feet above the surrounding natural ground.

For the configuration shown in Figure 4, stormwater falling onto the cap will travel as sheet flow for its first few hundred feet down the slope lengths. After the first few hundred feet of sheet flow, the stormwater will begin to concentrate into shallow concentrated flow with the potential to cause significant damage to the cover system via erosion. In order to protect the cover system from excessive erosion, diversion berms will be built perpendicular to the slope near the 355' msl elevation to capture the sheet flow and direct it into cap ditches (Figures 5 and 6). These ditches will convey the shallow concentrated flow to the limits of the capped area (Figures 5 and 7). From there, stormwater let-down structures will convey the stormwater down the earthen dikes (Figure 5 and 8). Since the slope of the perimeter embankment dike slopes varies from 3:1 to 4:1 (horizontal: vertical), slope stabilization material (Geocell, fabric-formed channel armor or approved equivalent) will be required within the cross-section of the stormwater let-down structures (Figure 8).

A surface water control plan for Ash Disposal Area II is shown on Figure 5. A conceptual run-off control plan that includes estimated peak discharges based on the 25-year/24-hour storm event (8.09 inches) for the capped area is presented in Appendix D. Typical construction details for the stormwater let-down structures and related appurtenances are provided on Figures 8. Technical Specifications for the stormwater let-down structures and related appurtenances are included in Appendix A.

2.5 CCR Inventory and Area to Be Capped

For the purposes of this conceptual closure plan, in-place closure of CCR within the unit is based on the assumed volume of CCR (solids) contained in the units being the capacity of the individual cells. Based on this assumption, the total capacity of the landfill for CCR placement was determined using AutoCAD Civil 3D. Based on these graphical calculations (See Appendix E), it is estimated that approximately 19 million cubic yards of CCR could be placed into the ADA II Landfill by the time of closure. The combined surface area of the Ash Disposal Area II Landfill to be covered is approximately 240 acres.

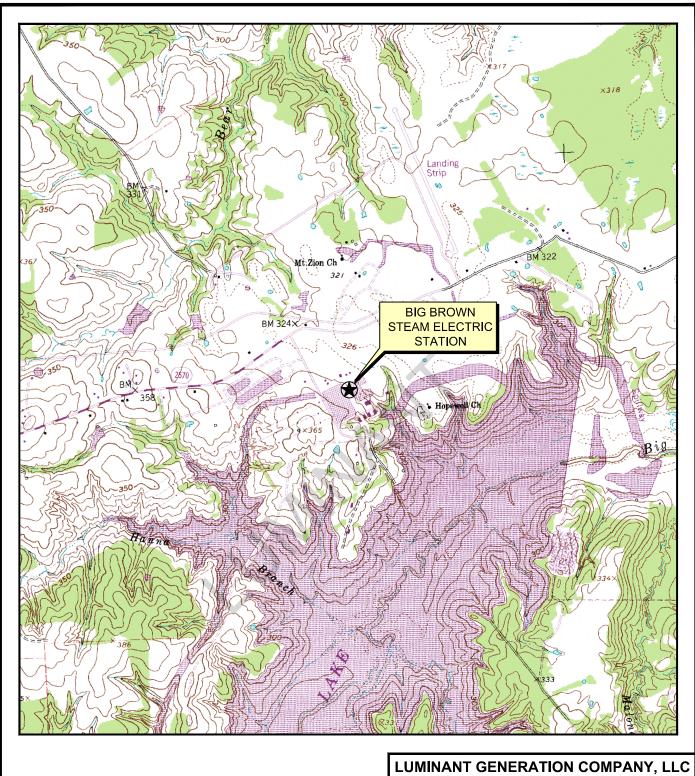
2.6 Closure Schedule

The final closure of the landfill will be completed within six months of start of closure; however, Sections 257.102(f)(2) and 257.103 of the CCR Rule allow for extension of the closure schedule or demonstration that alternative closure requirements should apply to the CCR units. A Gantt chart illustrating the sequential steps of the CCR closure process, including pre-construction activities (i.e. necessary notifications and permitting) as well as closure milestones, is included as Appendix F.

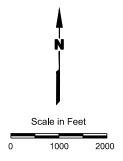
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FIGURES







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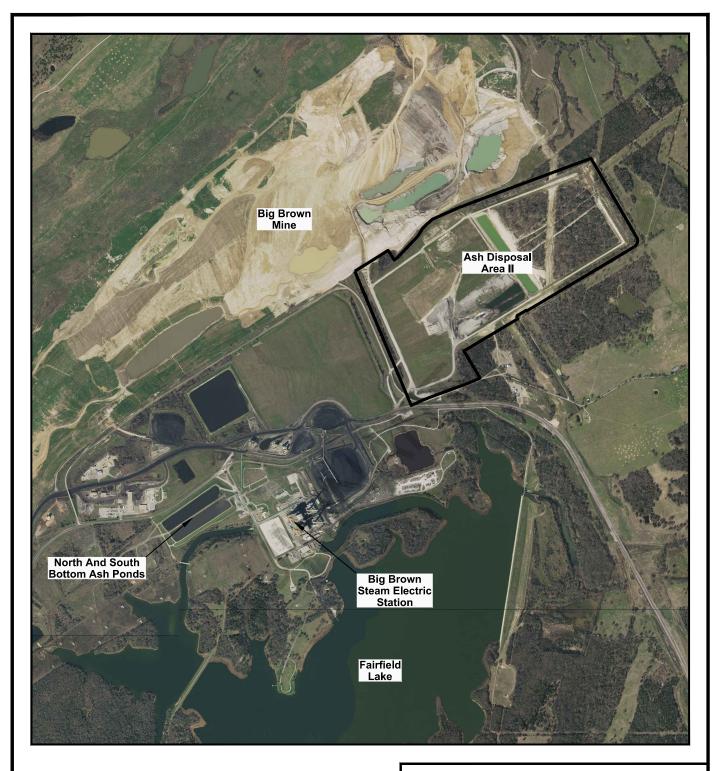
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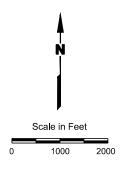
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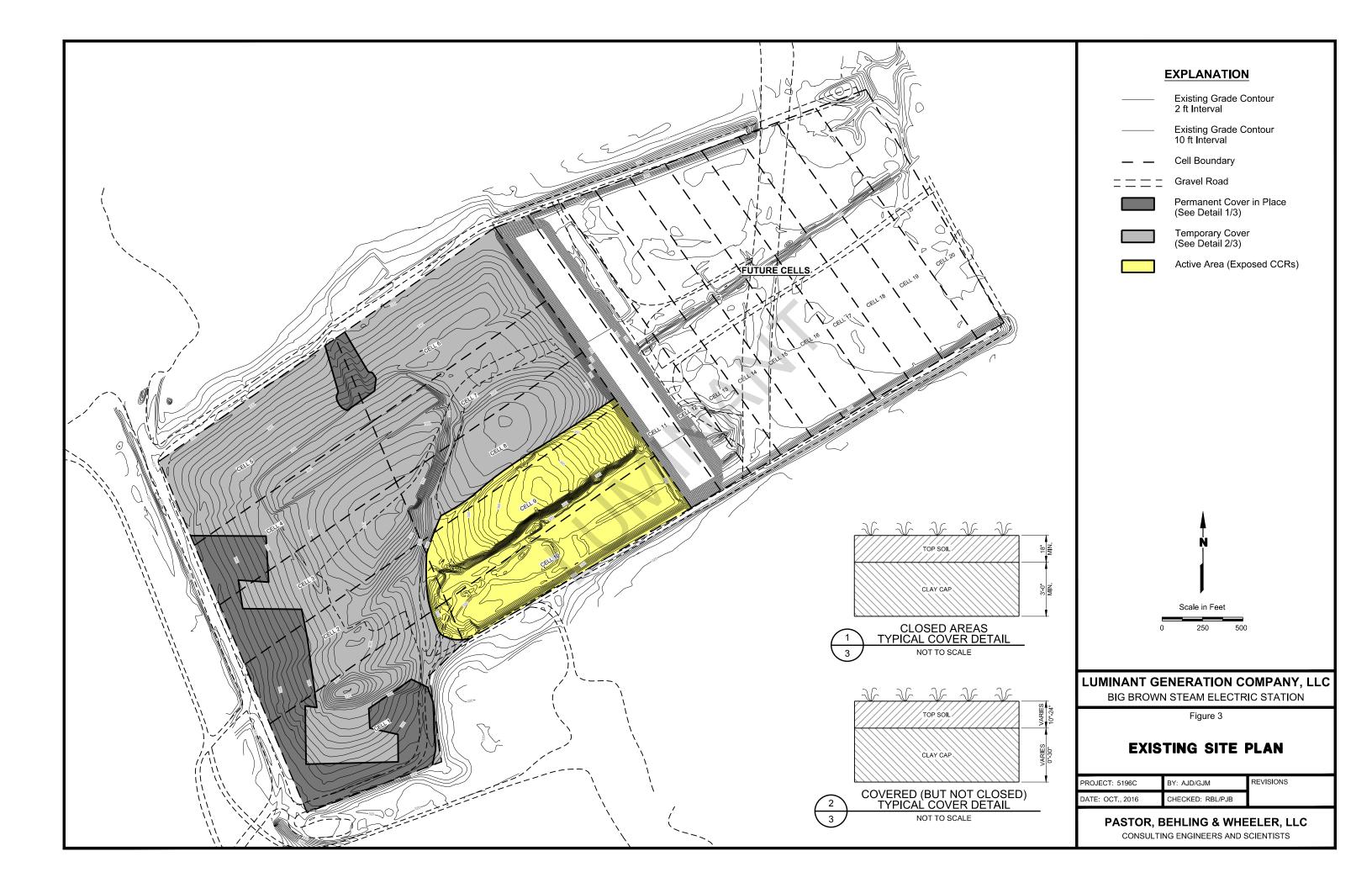
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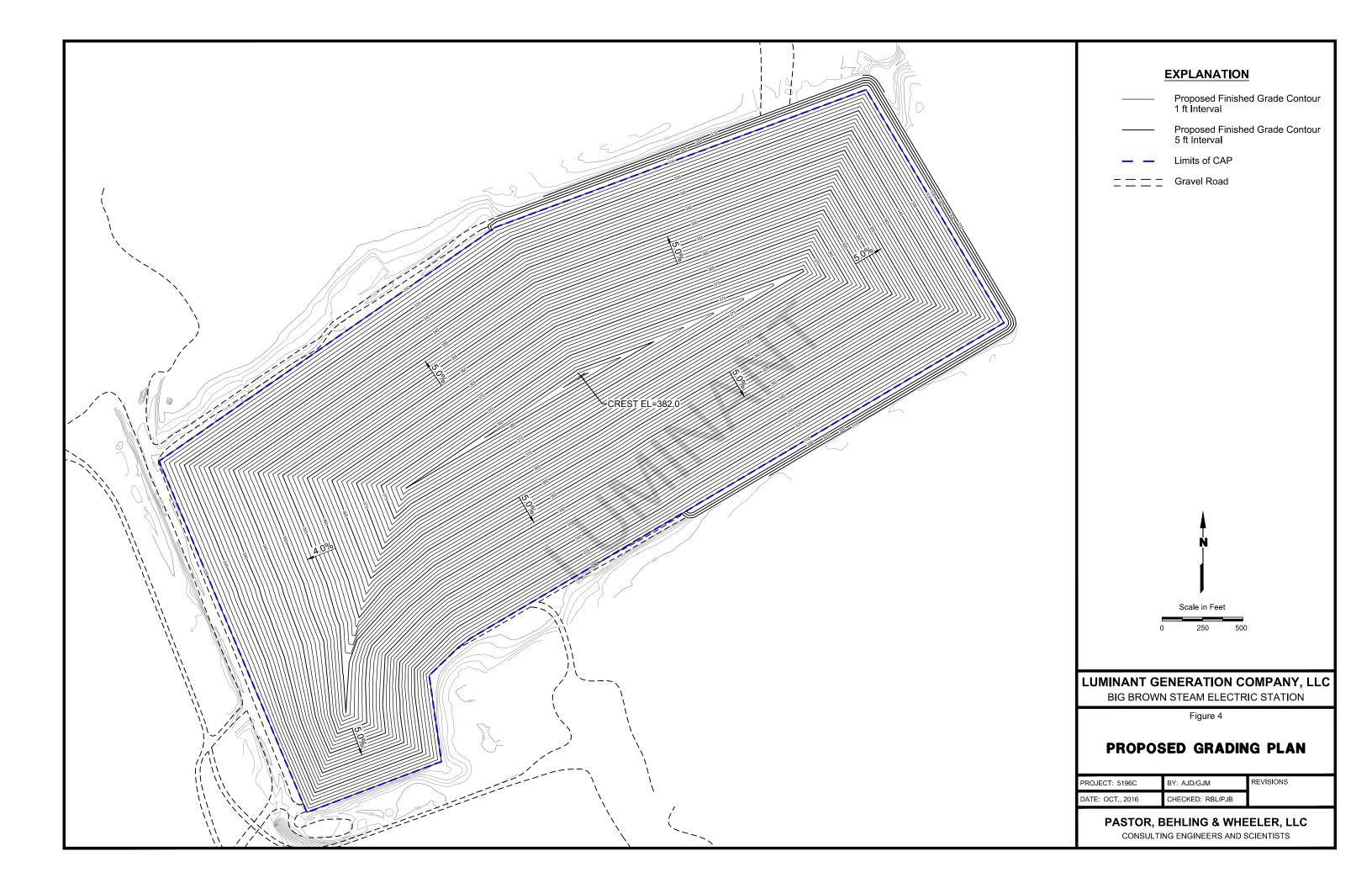
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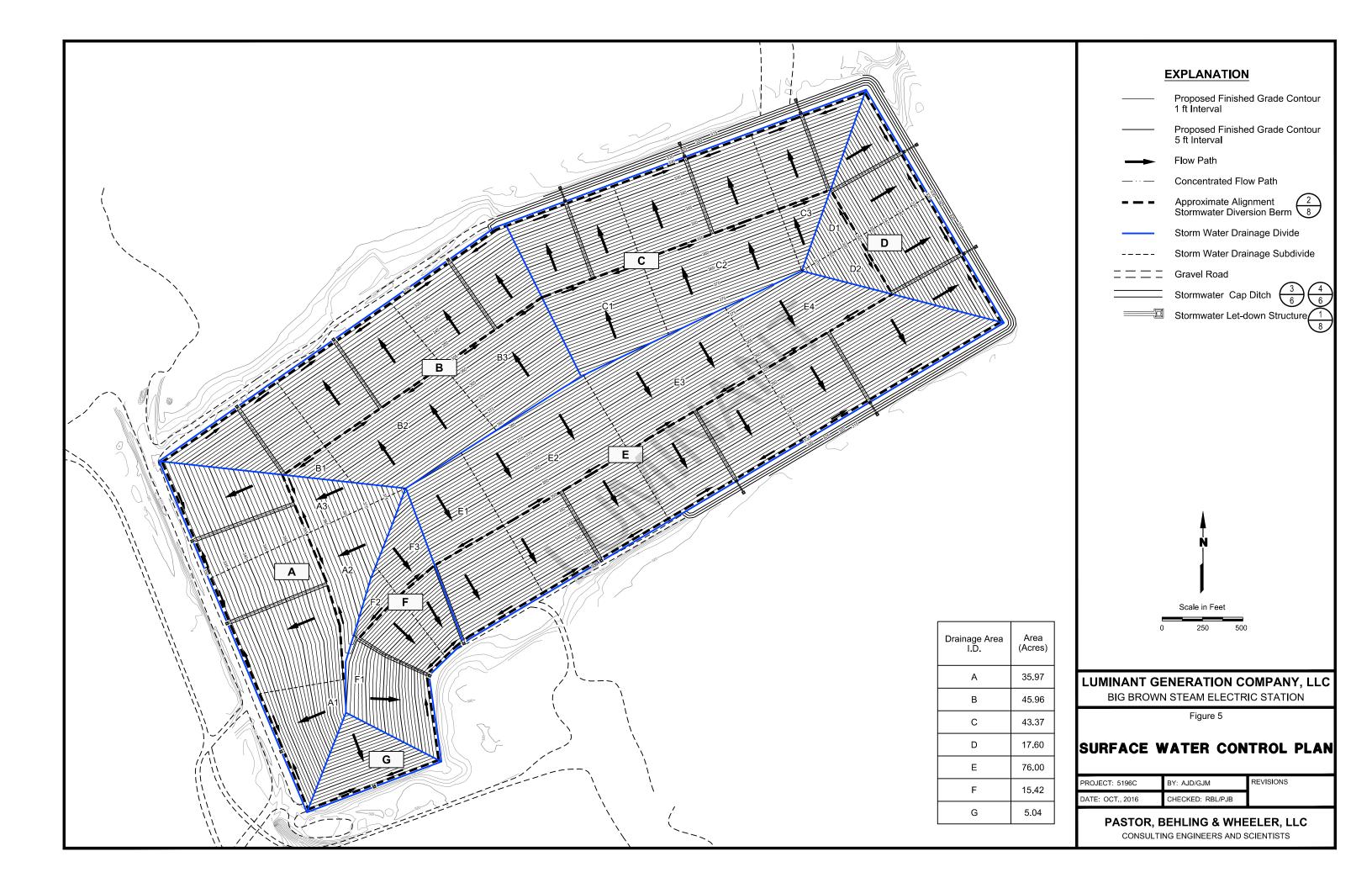
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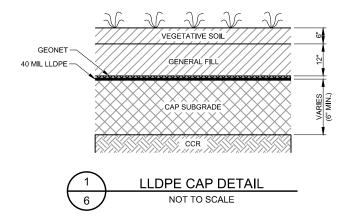
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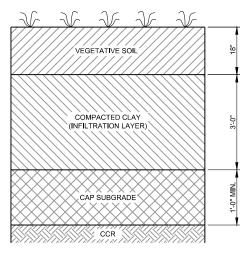
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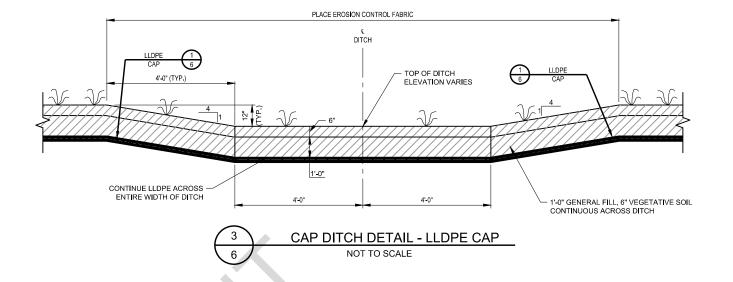


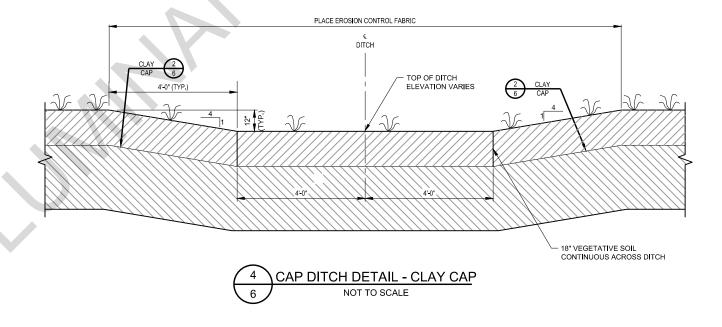












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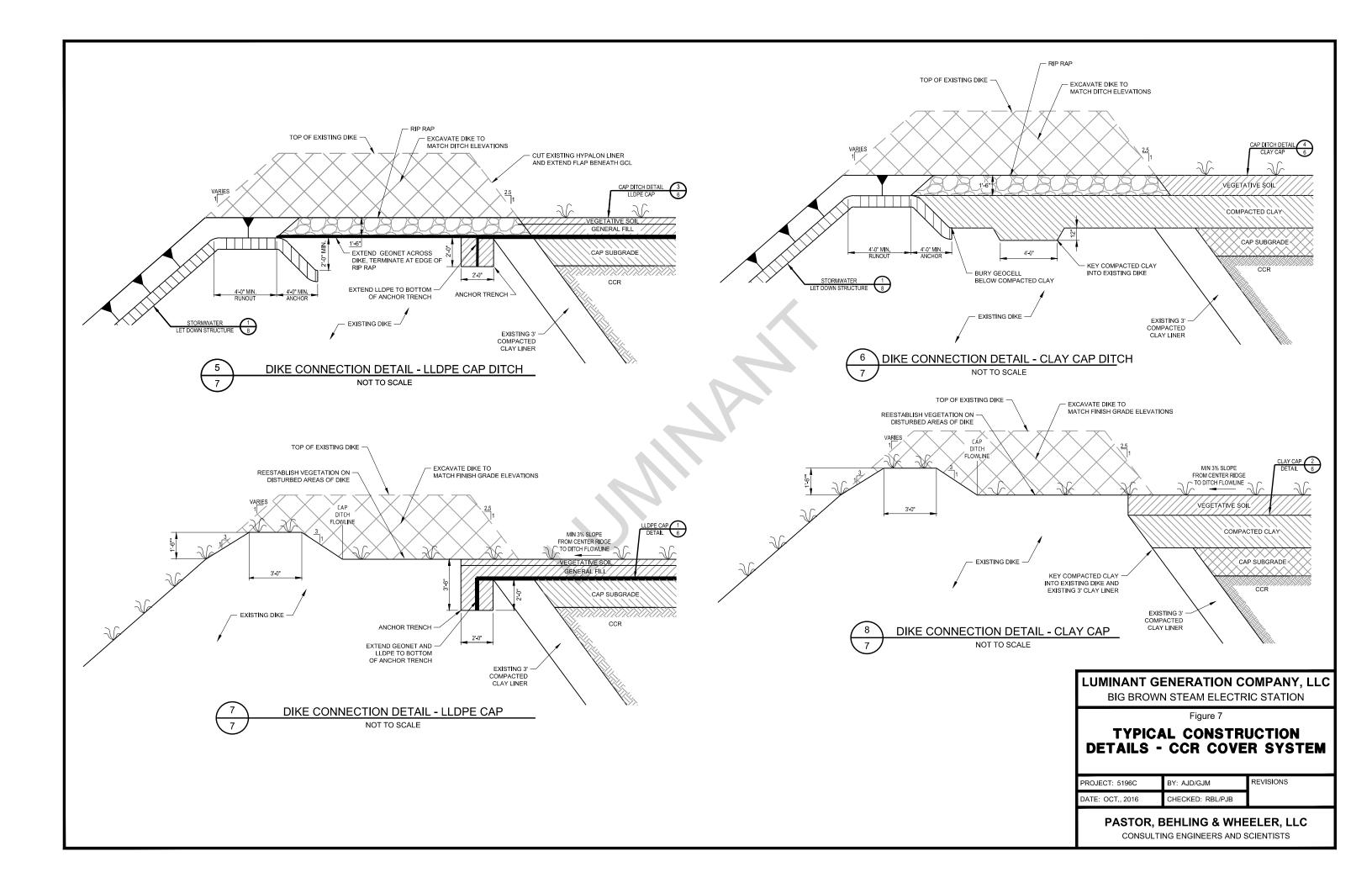
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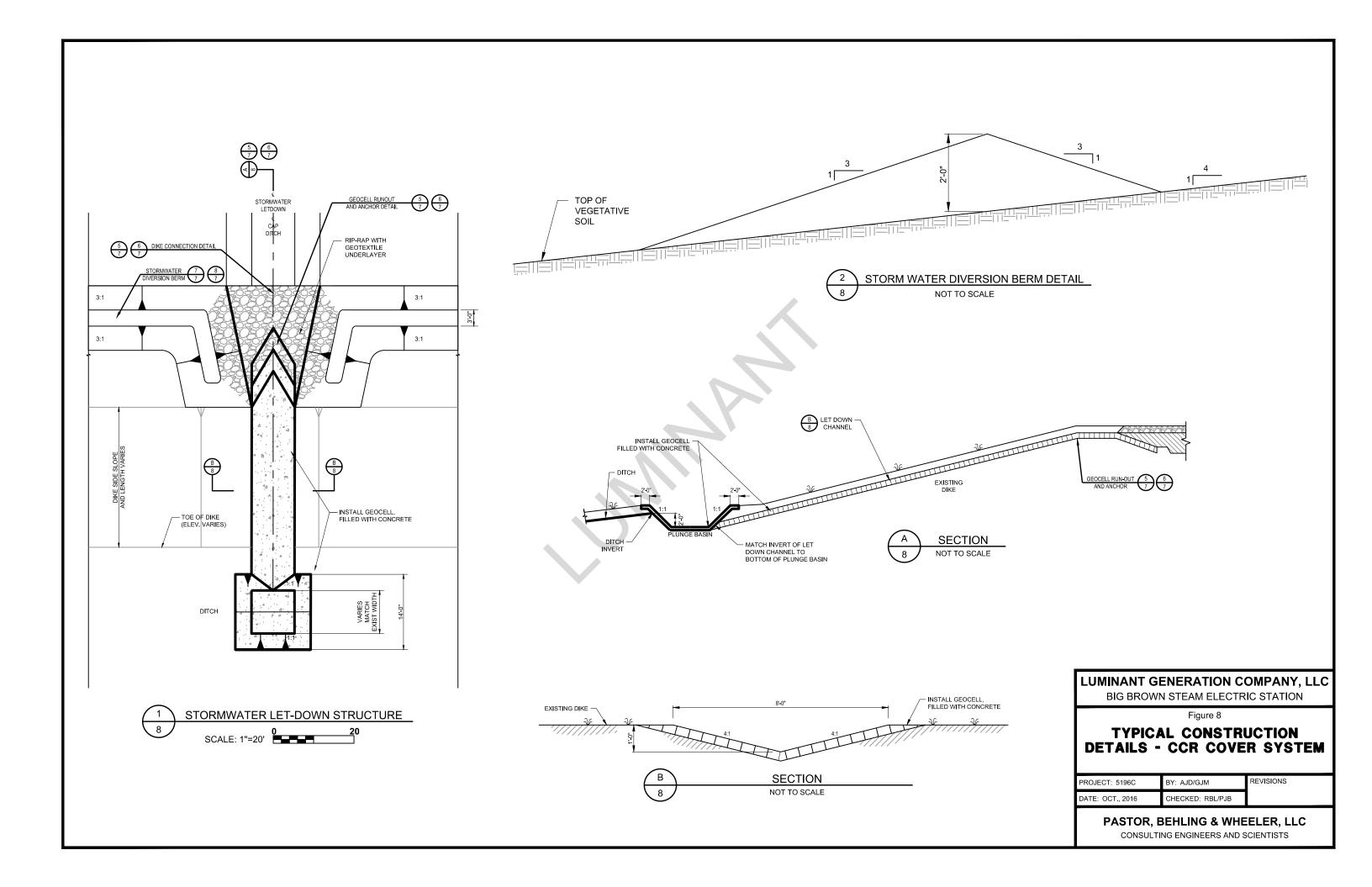
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SECTION 01100

EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. This Section consists of furnishing, placing, and maintaining erosion and sedimentation control measures as shown on the Drawings, as directed by the COMPANY, and where necessary to reduce sediment content of runoff prior to establishment of permanent vegetation.

1.2 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. CONTRACTOR shall provide erosion and sedimentation control measures to control erosion and sediment runoff in any location where erosion and sediment runoff is likely to occur and as required by the COMPANY. Erosion and sedimentation control measures shall remain in place until removal is approved by the COMPANY.
- B. Clearing and stripping of vegetation, regrading and other construction activities shall be conducted in a manner to minimize erosion. Existing drainage patterns and vegetation shall be protected and retained to the greatest extent practicable.
- C. The size and duration of exposure of disturbed areas shall be kept to a minimum and all disturbed soil shall be stabilized as quickly as practicable. Diversion channels/berms shall be located upstream from disturbed areas to minimize the amount of run-on to the disturbed areas.
- D. In the event that erosion and sedimentation control measures used by CONTRACTOR prove to be inadequate as determined by COMPANY, CONTRACTOR shall be required to adjust his operations to the extent necessary to control sedimentation and shall repair areas impacted by sedimentation as directed by COMPANY at no additional cost to COMPANY.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. CONTRACTOR shall submit the following to COMPANY a minimum of 14 days prior to initiating field activities:
 - 1. A copy of the construction Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) developed for the Work.
 - 2. An installation schedule for erosion and sedimentation control measures. This schedule shall cover all ground disturbance activities including material staging areas and planned excavation and grading areas.
 - 3. Certification that all proposed erosion and sedimentation control products comply with the requirements of these specifications.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 SILT FENCE

A. Silt fence fabric material shall be a woven geotextile conforming to the following requirements:

Physical Property	Test Method	Requirement
Tensile Strength, lb.	ASTM D4632	100 Minimum
Elongation @ Yield, %	ASTM D4632	10-40
Trapezoidal Tear, N (lb.)	ASTM D4533	50 Minimum
Apparent Opening Size	ASTM D4751	20-50
Permittivity, 1/sec	ASTM D4491	0.1 Minimum
UV Stability, 500 hr.	ASTM D4355	80 Minimum

B. Posts shall be essentially straight wood or steel posts with a minimum length of 48 inches. Soft wood posts must be at least 3 in. in diameter or nominal 2 x 4 in. Hardwood posts must have a minimum cross-section of 1-1/2 x 1-1/2 inches. T- or L-shaped steel posts must have a minimum weight of 1.3 pounds per foot.

2.2 EROSION CONTROL FABRIC

- A. Erosion Control Fabric shall be North American Green S150 or COMPANY-approved equal.
- B. Erosion control fabric blanket shall have a minimum width of 6 feet. The fabric mat shall be machine-produced of 100 percent coconut fiber with colored line or thread along outer edges to indicate material overlap limits and shall have a minimum weight of 0.50lb./sq.yd.
- C. The top and bottom cover of the fabric shall be heavy-weight polypropylene netting with ultraviolet additives to delay breakdown. The mesh size shall be a minimum of 0.5 inch by 0.5 inch.
- D. The blanket and top/bottom covers shall be sown together on 1.5 inch center at 50 stitches per roll width with UV stable polypropylene thread.
- E. Erosion Control Fabric shall be installed using 6-in. wooden stakes or metal staples of sufficient material quality, cross-section, and strength to anchor the erosion control blanket against loads imposed by surface runoff and sediment.

2.3 HAY BALES

- A. Hay bales may be obtained from local sources and shall weigh 40 to 120 pounds per bale. Only grain hay bales, free of noxious weeds, shall be used. Bales shall be tightly and securely bound with wire to provide a stable bale and to extend the functional life of the bale to the extent practicable. Bales shall be free from rot and mold.
- B. Stakes for hay bales shall be wooden stakes or metal rebar of sufficient material quality, cross-section, and strength to secure the hay bales.

2.4 TEMPORARY VEGETATION

- A. Temporary Vegetation shall be applied on areas left exposed for greater than 30 days. CONTRACTOR shall use temporary vegetation seed mixture and application rate as specified in Section 02350, "Vegetation," or CONTRACTOR may alternatively submit proposed temporary vegetation seed mix and application rate to COMPANY for approval no later than 7 days prior to use.
- B. Mulch shall be applied after temporary vegetation seeding at a rate of 1.5 tons/acre for straw mulch, or at the rate recommended by the manufacturer if wood fiber mulch is used.

CONTRACTOR shall ensure that mulch does not redistribute after application. CONTRACTOR shall reapply mulch as necessary to maintain uniform coverage. Straw mulch shall include dry oat or wheat straw, native hay, or chopped corn stalks. The mulch shall be free from weeds and foreign matter detrimental to plant life. Wood fiber mulch shall include approved wood cellulose fiber in chip form and be free of ingredients that could inhibit germination and growth.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 GENERAL

- A. <u>Delivery, Storage, and Handling.</u> Product delivery, storage and handling shall comply with manufacturer's recommendations. All erosion and sedimentation control products shall be delivered in manufacturer's wrapping and shall be stored in a manner to prevent damage. Damaged or unsuitable products shall be promptly removed from the job site and replaced with products meeting these specifications.
- B. All erosion and sedimentation control measures shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and approved by the COMPANY prior to initiating any clearing, demolition or construction activities.
- C. <u>Cut Areas</u>. Establish an erosion control line (hay bales or filter fabric) at toe of slope in all cut areas prior to beginning cut operations.
- D. <u>Fill Areas</u>. Establish an erosion control line (hay bales or filter fabric) approximately 10 feet from toe of slope of proposed fill areas prior to beginning fill operations.
- E. <u>Stockpiles</u>. Sides of soil stockpiles shall have a maximum slope of 2:1. All stockpiles shall be surrounded by a sediment barrier (hay bales or filter fabric) unless otherwise approved by the COMPANY. All stockpiles left bare for more than 30 days shall be stabilized with temporary vegetation and/or mulch.

3.2 SILT FENCE

- A. Silt fence shall be installed along the downstream perimeter of all disturbed areas to intercept sediment from sheet flow.
- B. Posts shall be embedded into the ground at least 18 inches deep and shall be spaced a maximum of 8 feet apart.
- C. Filter fabric shall be installed by digging a 6 inch wide by 6 inch deep trench along the upstream side of the fence. Place approximately 6 to 8 inches of the fabric in the trench and backfill the trench.
- D. Unless otherwise shown on the Drawings, attach the wire mesh to wooden posts with staples, or to steel posts with T-clips, in at least 4 places equally spaced. Sewn vertical pockets may be used to attach wire mesh or fabric to end posts.
- E. Fasten the fabric to the top strand of the reinforcement by rings or cord every 15 inches or less. Locate fabric splices at a fence post with a minimum overlap of 6 inches attached in at least 4 places equally spaced. Do not locate fabric splices in concentrated flow areas.

3.3 EROSION CONTROL FABRIC

- A. Erosion control fabric shall be installed following completion of final grading activities in the following disturbed earth areas unless otherwise approved by the COMPANY:
 - 1. All exterior slopes 4(H) to I(V) and steeper; and
 - 2. All drainage ditches, channels and swales.

- B. Erosion control fabric shall be anchored at the top of the slope using an anchor trench and shall be rolled down the slope so as to maintain tension to preclude folds and wrinkles. Any folds or wrinkles shall be removed by hand.
- C. The erosion control fabric anchor trench shall be 6 inches wide by 6 inches deep. The trench fabric shall be connected to the vertical face of the trench using stakes or staples spaced at 12 inches on center. The trench shall be backfilled and compacted upon completion of stapling.
- D. Successive erosion control fabric panels shall be overlapped in such a manner that the upstream and upslope panel is placed over the downstream and downslope panel. Panels shall overlap a minimum of 6 inches at end joints and on sideslopes.
- E. Stake or staple through both panels with stakes/staples driven flush with the soil surface. Stake/staple spacing shall be in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

3.4 HAY BALES

- A. Hay bales shall be installed to form water stops, filtration dams, diversions, etc. as required for erosion and sedimentation control. On sloping terrain, hay bales may be used to trap sediment until vegetation has become established.
- B. Place bales lengthwise with ends tight, abutting one another. Install bales with bindings located on the sides.
- C. Entrench hay bales a minimum of 4 inches and backfill. Place backfill on the upstream side of the bales.
- D. Secure the bale in place with two stakes per bale and insert straw in voids between bales.

3.5 MAINTENANCE

- A. All erosion and sedimentation controls shall be maintained in a structurally sound and functional manner. All erosion and sedimentation controls shall be inspected at least on a weekly basis, immediately after each rainfall and daily during prolonged rainfall.
- B. Any damaged or deteriorating systems shall be replaced immediately upon discovery or as directed by COMPANY.
- C. Sediment deposits shall be removed when the deposit reaches 1/3 the height of the fence or sooner to provide a functional and stable system. Sediment retained by sedimentation and erosion control systems shall be removed by CONTRACTOR and may be used on the project as fill as approved by COMPANY.
- D. Areas where temporary vegetation or mulch has been applied shall be inspected to ensure proper growth and coverage. Temporary vegetation or mulch shall be reapplied as necessary to minimize erosion.

3.6 REMOVAL

A. Erosion and sedimentation controls shall remain in-place until the COMPANY directs their removal. Upon removal CONTRACTOR shall dispose of any sediment accumulations, dress the area to the satisfaction of COMPANY, and shall vegetate all bare areas in accordance with the Contract Documents. Temporary erosion control blanket materials specified are biodegradable and will remain in place after establishment of permanent vegetation.

++END OF SECTION++

SECTION 01200

DUST CONTROL

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. This Section consists of performance of dust control measures as necessary to prevent fugitive dust during construction activities or as directed by the ENGINEER.

1.2 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. CONTRACTOR shall implement all necessary dust control measures to prevent fugitive dust during all construction activities.
- B. The need for dust control measures will be based on visual observation of airborne dust. CONTRACTOR shall implement dust control measures on a regular basis throughout the duration of the work unless otherwise authorized by the ENGINEER. CONTRACTOR shall adjust operations and/or dust controls as necessary, at no additional cost to OWNER, if directed by ENGINEER to mitigate dust.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. CONTRACTOR shall submit the following to ENGINEER a minimum of 5 days prior to initiating dust control measures:
 - 1. Source of dust control water:
 - 2. List of dust control equipment; and
 - 3. Manufacturer specification sheets and material safety data sheets (MSDS) for chemical additives used for dust control.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 WATER

A. Water used for dust control need not be potable, but must not be contaminated. Proposed source of dust control water must be approved by ENGINEER prior to initiating dust control measures.

2.2 CHEMICAL ADDITIVES

- A. Chemical additives shall be incorporated into dust control measures only if approved by the ENGINEER.
- B. Calcium Chloride for dust control shall conform to the requirements of ASTM D98, Type 1 or Type 2.
- C. Alternative chemical additives for dust control may be used if approved by the ENGINEER.

2.3 EQUIPMENT

A. Dust control water shall be applied using tank trucks equipped with water cannon capable of delivering water through either front- or rear-mounted nozzles. Tank trucks shall be of sufficient size and mobility and carry a sufficient quantity of water to control dust generated by CONTRACTOR's activities.

B. More than one water tank truck may be required during construction activities to sufficiently suppress dust.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 IMPLEMENTATION OF DUST CONTROL MEASURES

- A. Vehicular traffic in disturbed areas shall be limited to the extent practicable. Construction vehicles shall maintain low speeds to minimize the amount of dust created. Adequate freeboard in loaded trucks shall be maintained to prevent spillage during operations. Roadway surfaces shall be kept free of spilled/tracked soil.
- B. Soil stockpiles shall be graded and shaped to minimize surface area. Water or covers shall be applied to stockpiles as needed to control dust.
- C. Apply dust control water uniformly over roads and disturbed areas from trucks capable of uniform distribution. Provide suitable devices for positive shut-off and for regulating flow of water.
- D. Apply calcium chloride or other chemical additives at locations only when directed by ENGINEER. Spread calcium chloride or other chemical additives by approved devices and methods for uniform distribution.
- E. Dust control water and/or chemical additives shall be applied so as to limit and/or prevent formation of standing water and mud; over spray of chemical dust suppressants in areas adjacent to surface water bodies or sensitive habitats; and/or flushing of materials off of the work area.

++END OF SECTION++

SECTION 02200

SITE PREPARATION

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. This Section consists of all work associated with clearing and preparing the work area, borrow areas, and other work areas for earthwork and other construction activities, including removal of existing vegetation and verification of existing site conditions.

1.2 EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS

- A. CONTRACTOR shall verify that existing topographic conditions in the Work Area as shown on the Drawings are an accurate representation of existing site conditions prior to initiating construction activities.
- B. If CONTRACTOR contends that existing topographic conditions are different from that shown on the Drawings, Contractor shall submit survey data from a Texas-registered land surveyor to document actual topographic conditions, and shall identify with such submission additional work required which was not accounted for in CONTRACTOR's bid. There shall be no opportunity for a Claim for extra work due to differing topographic conditions once stripping or excavation work has started.
- C. Existing site improvements (utilities, monitoring wells, and similar items) shall be located and protected by CONTRACTOR before CONTRACTOR begins clearing operations.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

A. Clearing and grubbing and solid waste generated during cap subgrade preparation shall be placed within the active portion of the landfill unless otherwise approved by the ENGINEER. CONTRACTOR shall submit name and address of the alternate disposal facility proposed for management of trash and rubbish generated in connection with site preparation at least 5 days prior to beginning clearing operations.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

NOT USED

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 CLEARING

- A. Clearing shall consist of the cutting, shredding, and stockpiling of all trees and shrubs and the stripping of all grass and similar surface vegetation within the limits of the landfill and borrow areas. Clearing shall be limited to the areas required to perform the work.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall segregate material removed as part of clearing from soils to be incorporated into subsequent earthwork activities.

3.2 VEGETATIVE SOIL STRIPPING AND STOCKPILING

A. After completion of clearing activities, CONTRACTOR shall strip the uppermost approximately 12 inches of existing vegetative soil from the cleared areas. Material identified as vegetative soil shall be subject to ENGINEER's approval.

 CONTRACTOR shall stockpile stripped vegetative soil in the work area in a location acceptable to the ENGINEER.

3.3 DISPOSAL OF BRUSH AND OTHER VEGETATIVE MATERIAL

- A. CONTRACTOR shall dispose of all brush and other vegetative materials generated during site clearing in accordance with all applicable regulations and as approved by the ENGINEER.
- B. If approved by the ENGINEER, CONTRACTOR may burn brush and other vegetative material in accordance with the requirements of TCEQ Publication RG-049 "Outdoor Burning in Texas", as modified to comply with OWNER requirements. Specific requirements for burning of brush and other vegetative material include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - 1. Commence or continue burning only when the wind direction and other weather conditions are such that the smoke and other pollutants will not present a hazard to any public road, landing strip, or water body or have an adverse effect on any off-site structure.
 - 2. Don't start burning unless weather conditions are such that the smoke will dissipate (winds of at least 6 miles per hour; no temperature inversions) while still allowing the fire to be contained and controlled (winds no faster than 23 miles per hour).
 - 3. Post someone to flag traffic if at any time the burning causes or may tend to cause smoke to blow onto or across a road or highway.
 - 4. Begin burning no earlier than one hour after sunrise, end it the same day and no later than one hour before sunset, and make sure that a responsible party is present while the burn is active and the fire is progressing.
 - 5. At the end of the burn, extinguish isolated residual fires or smoldering objects if the smoke they produce can be a nuisance or a traffic hazard.
- C. CONTRACTOR will be responsible for controlling fires in compliance with all Federal, State, and Local laws and regulations. The securing of necessary burning permits shall be the responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. All burning shall be under the constant care of competent watchmen. All materials resulting from clearing and grubbing operations and disposed of by burning on the site shall be thoroughly and completely reduced to ashes.
- D. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for providing a suitable location (subject to ENGINEER and OWNER approval) for off-site disposal of cleared material not burned on-site. Once ENGINEER and OWNER have approved the disposal location, CONTRACTOR shall transport and dispose the material in accordance with all applicable regulations.

EARTHWORK

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

- A. This Section consists of all activities associated with earthwork construction, including, but not necessarily limited to:
 - 1. Excavation, loading, transportation, unloading and stockpiling of soil from COMPANY-designated locations;
 - 2. Placement, compaction, and grading of various earthen materials;
 - 3. Ditch grading; and
 - 4. All other activities required to complete earthwork construction as shown on the Drawings, specified herein and or required by the COMPANY.

1.2 REFERENCES

A. American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM) Standards/Publications (Latest version):

C33	Standard Specification for Concrete Aggregates
D422	Method of Particle Size Analysis of Soils
D698	Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Standard Effort (12,400 ft-lbf/ft³)
D1557	Laboratory Compaction Characteristics of Soil Using Modified Effort (56,000 ft-lbf/ft³)
D1587	Standard Practice for Thin-walled Tube Sampling of Soils
D2487	Classification of Soils for Engineering Purposes
D2922	Density of Soil In Place by Nuclear Density Gage
D3080	Standard Test Method for Direct Shear Test of Soils Under Consolidated Drained Conditions
D4318	Liquid Limit, Plastic Limit and Plasticity Index of Soils
D5084	Standard Test Methods for Measurement of Hydraulic Conductivity of Saturated Porous Materials Using a Flexible Wall Permeameter
D6938	Standard Test Method for In-Place Density and Water Content of Soil and Soil-Aggregate by Nuclear Methods (Shallow Depth)

1.3 **DEFINITIONS**

A. Select Fill: Soil material suitable for use as cap fill, for dike construction or other areas identified by the COMPANY.

B. General Fill: Any non-classified soil deemed suitable by the COMPANY.

C. Liner Subgrade: Soil complying with the specified requirements located immediately

beneath the geosynthetic clay liner (GCL).

D. Compacted Clay: Low-permeability soil layer of liner system.

E. Vegetative Soil: Growth medium used along with any necessary admixtures to support

vegetation.

F. Gravel: Granular crushed stone material used as erosion protection in ditches.

G. Road Base: Granular material placed on the surface of haul roads, access roads and

other areas designated on the Drawings, identified in the Specifications

or required by the COMPANY.

H. Rip Rap: Stone armor material used in drainage features for erosion control and

energy dissipation.

1.4 SUBMITTALS

A. CONTRACTOR shall identify all earthwork material suppliers and shall submit written verification from his material suppliers that all earthwork materials to be used for the work comply with the requirements of this Section.

B. CONTRACTOR shall submit copies of all geotechnical laboratory reports within 10 working days after sample collection.

1.5 QUALITY CONTROL

- A. CONTRACTOR shall perform construction surveys, as needed, to ensure that the lines and grades of all excavations, embankments, ditches, pipe trenches, pipe inverts, and graded surfaces are in accordance with the drawings and specifications.
- B. COMPANY may perform pre-construction and post-construction topographic surveys of the work area and related areas and may perform additional quality assurance surveys. CONTRACTOR shall coordinate his activities with COMPANY's surveyor and provide safe access to all excavation areas for survey and/or verification sampling activities.

1.6 TESTING

- A. The number and type of testing required for each type of earthwork shall be as specified in the specific section related to the type of earthwork.
- B. COMPANY will select the locations for all tests. Tests performed at locations not approved by the COMPANY will not be accepted.
- C. All undisturbed earthwork samples shall be collected using a thin-walled sampler complying with ASTM D1587. The length of the sampler shall be suitable for collection of an undisturbed sample over the specified sampling interval.
- D. Unless otherwise specified, testing shall be performed in accordance with the following methods:
 - Soil classification shall be performed using ASTM D2487. Liquid Limits, Plastic Limits and Plasticity Indices shall be determined using ASTM D4318.
 - Moisture-Density Relationships shall be determined using ASTM D698. Unless

- otherwise directed by COMPANY. ASTM D1557 may be used only where specified.
- 3. In-place density and moisture content shall be determined using ASTM D6938 (Nuclear Density Gage). Other methods for determining in-place density and moisture may not be used unless approved by the COMPANY.
- 4. Hydraulic conductivity shall be determined using ASTM D5084.
- 5. Direct shear testing shall be performed in accordance with ASTM D3040.

1.7 TOLERANCES

- A. Grades and slopes of all earthwork shall be straight and true. Unless otherwise specified, CONTRACTOR shall complete all earthwork within the dimensional tolerances presented below.
- B. Elevation Tolerances:

1.	Compacted Clay Surface:	plus 0.1 foot, minus 0.0 foot.
2.	Liner Subgrade Surface:	plus 0.1 foot, minus 0.0 foot.
3.	Gravel Surface:	plus 0.1 foot, minus 0.0 foot.
4.	All Other Surfaces:	plus 0.2 foot, minus 0.0 foot.

C. Thickness Tolerances:

1.	Compacted Clay Subgrade:	plus 0.2 foot, minus 0.0 foot.
2.	Liner Subgrade:	plus 0.2 foot, minus 0.0 foot.
3	All Other Surfaces:	plus 0.1 foot, minus 0.0 foot.

- D. Grade Tolerances: All grades/slopes shall be completed within
 - Compacted Clay Surface: plus or minus 0.1 percent of design slope.
 Liner Subgrade Surface: plus or minus 0.1 percent of design slope.
 Gravel and Drainage Features: plus or minus 0.1 percent of design slope.
 All Other Surfaces: plus or minus 0.2 percent of design slope.
- E. Horizontal Coordinates and/or Earthwork Dimensions: plus or minus 0.5 feet

1.8 UTILITIES

- A. COMPANY will attempt to deactivate electrical and other utilities in areas to be excavated; however, CONTRACTOR shall be ultimately responsible for ensuring that no energized equipment or utilities are present prior to initiating excavation activities. If CONTRACTOR identifies energized or active equipment or utilities, CONTRACTOR shall cease work and notify COMPANY so that the equipment/utilities may be deactivated. CONTRACTOR shall again check the equipment and utilities to ensure they are deactivated prior to proceeding with excavation activities.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall note that underground and aboveground utilities may be located in the area of the Work. CONTRACTOR shall be ultimately responsible for protecting the utilities during earthwork and related activities.

1.9 EARTHWORK SAFETY

A. As discussed in other areas of these specifications, CONTRACTOR shall be fully responsible for the health and safety of all personnel in the work area, at all times, and shall take all necessary precautions to protect personnel.

B. In addition to general health and safety responsibilities, CONTRACTOR shall be fully responsible for complying with all applicable OSHA and related regulations regarding earthwork, including, but not limited to, the requirements of 40 CFR Part 126.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 SELECT FILL

- A. Select fill shall consist of soil excavated during foundation soil grading. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for loading, transporting, placement and compaction of select fill.
- B. Select fill shall classify as CH, CL or SC using ASTM D2487, shall have a plasticity index between 15 and 40, and shall be free of roots, brush, sod, or other perishable materials and debris.

2.2 GENERAL FILL

A. General fill shall be any non-classified soil deemed suitable by the COMPANY. General fill shall be free of trash, rubbish or other deleterious substances. The maximum particle size of general fill shall be 6 inches.

2.3 LINER SUBGRADE

- A. Liner Subgrade shall consist of soil excavated from the site during foundation grading. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for loading, transporting, placement and compaction of Liner Subgrade.
- B. Liner Subgrade shall classify as CH or CL using ASTM D2487 and shall contain no organic material, sticks, or other deleterious material.
- C. The maximum particle size of liner subgrade shall be 3 inches. Particles larger than 1 inch shall be subrounded to rounded.

2.4 COMPACTED CLAY

- A. Compacted Clay shall consist of soil excavated from the COMPANY-designated Borrow Area or other COMPANY-approved off-site source. CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for loading, transporting, placement and compaction of Compacted Clay.
- B. Compacted Clay shall classify as CH or CL using ASTM D2487 and shall contain no organic material, sticks, or other deleterious material.
- C. Compacted Clay shall conform to the following:

Parameter	Specification
Plasticity Index	15 Minimum
Liquid Limit	30 Minimum
Percent Passing No. 200 Sieve	30% Minimum
Percent Passing 1.5-inch Sieve	100%
Hydraulic Conductivity	1 x 10 ⁻⁷ cm/s Maximum
In-Place Density	95% Standard Proctor Minimum
In-Place Moisture Content	-1% to +3% Optimum Moisture Content

2.5 VEGETATIVE SOIL

A. Vegetative soil shall consist of soil stripped from the work area and stockpiled by the CONTRACTOR. Vegetative soil shall be free of deleterious material, materials toxic to plant growth, noxious weed seeds, rhizomes, roots, subsoil, rocks, or other debris.

2.6 GRAVEL

- A. Gravel shall be washed, angular crushed gravel or crushed limestone, free of mud, clay, vegetation or other debris, conforming to ASTM C33 for stone quality.
- B. Gravel shall have the following size gradation:

U.S. Sieve Size	Percent Passing
1.5 Inch	100
1 Inch	90 to 100
0.5 Inch	15 to 60
No. 4	0 to 10
No. 8	0 to 5

- C. Gravel shall conform to the following:
 - 1. Liquid Limit (LL) less than or equal to 35.
 - 2. Plasticity Index (PI) less than or equal to 10.

2.7 ROAD BASE

A. Road base shall consist of crushed stone, free of mud, clay, vegetation or other debris, conforming to the requirements of TXDOT Item 248, Type A (Grade I). Size Gradation shall comply with the following:

U.S. Sieve Size	Percent Passing
2.5 inch	100
1.75 inch	100
0.875 inch	65 to 90
0.375 inch	50 to 70
No. 4	35 to 55
No. 40	15 to 30
No. 200	0

- B. Road Base shall conform to the following:
 - 1. Liquid Limit (LL) less than or equal to 35.
 - 2. Plasticity Index (PI) less than or equal to 10.

2.8 RIPRAP

A. Riprap shall be clean, well-graded durable natural stone with a minimum specific gravity of 2.4.

Unless otherwise approved by the COMPANY, riprap shall comply with the following:

- 1. No deleterious material, noxious weed seeds, roots, subsoil, or other debris shall be present.
- 2. Riprap shall consist of stone conforming to the following gradation:

Stone Weight (pounds)	Percent Lighter Than
700	100
300	50 to 100
150	15 to 50
45	0 to 15

3. Stones shall be at least 3 inches in their least dimension. The breadth or thickness of each stone shall not be less than one-third the length of the stone.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 GENERAL

- A. All earthwork shall be completed to the lines and grades shown on the Drawings and as required by the COMPANY.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall not place material in the presence of water unless approved by the COMPANY. Saturated areas shall be dewatered by CONTRACTOR as specified herein prior to initiating earthwork activities. CONTRACTOR shall remove all saturated soils, muck, organic matter and other materials not suitable for compaction or proof-rolling from dewatered areas prior to placing fill materials.
- C. All proof rolling shall be performed as follows unless another method is approved by the COMPANY:
 - 1. Proof rolling equipment shall be approved by the COMPANY. Proof rolling equipment may be self-propelled or towed by a suitable tractor.
 - 2. Proof rolling equipment shall have a rolling width of 8 to 10 feet and shall be capable of operating under various contact pressures.
 - Contact pressure of proof rolling equipment shall be a minimum of 2000 pounds per square foot.
 - 4. A minimum of two passes with the proof rolling equipment shall be completed across the entire native soil surface prior to placement of any material.
 - 5. Any area shown to be unstable or non-uniform after proof rolling shall be recompacted and/or reworked until proof rolled to the satisfaction of the COMPANY.
- D. Compaction of all materials shall be performed with an appropriately heavy, properly ballasted penetrating-foot compactor. A minimum of four passes of the compactor shall be performed on each material lift regardless of whether the lift complies with specified density requirements within less than four passes.
- E. When target compaction/density is specified using ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor), the minimum weight of the compacting equipment shall be 1500 pounds per linear foot of drum length.

- F. The daily work area shall extend a distance no greater than necessary to maintain moist conditions and continuous operations. Desiccation and crusting of the lift surface shall be avoided as much as possible.
- G. Water added to soils shall be clean and shall not have come into contact with waste or any objectionable material. Source of water shall be approved by COMPANY prior to application.
- H. Unless otherwise specified or approved by the COMPANY, the maximum clod size in each lift prior to compaction shall be 2 inches in diameter. Clod size shall be reduced through discing, pulverizing or similar methods. Unless otherwise approved by the COMPANY, a minimum of 4 passes with discing or pulverizing equipment shall be made across each lift prior to beginning compaction. A pass is defined as one trip across the lift surface. Passes shall be made at alternating right angles across the lift surface.
- I. Finished, compacted lifts of all material shall be sprayed with clean water as necessary to prevent drying and desiccation.
- J. At the end of each construction day's activities, completed lifts shall be sealed by rolling with a rubber-tired or smooth drum roller. Prior to resuming placement of overlying material, the surface of the previous lift shall be scarified to a minimum depth of 2 inches.

3.2 DEWATERING

- A. CONTRACTOR shall note that some of the work may be performed in areas exhibiting saturated conditions at and below the groundwater table. CONTRACTOR shall not place material in the presence of water unless approved by the COMPANY.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall dewater the work area using pumps or other method approved by the COMPANY. Dewatering measures shall be implemented by the time the excavation reaches the water level in order to maintain the integrity of the in-situ material. Dewatering water shall be discharged in accordance with COMPANY requirements in a manner that minimizes erosion and other disturbances to existing drainage features and adjacent areas.
- C. All dewatering system components, including cofferdams, pumps, piping and related equipment shall be removed by the CONTRACTOR at the completion of the work.

3.3 COMPACTED CLAY

- A. Construction of the Compacted Clay layer will begin after the underlying native soil has been finished to the proper lines and grade. The depth of the top of the underlying native soil prior to compacted clay construction shall coincide with the bottom of the Compacted Clay layer. The Compacted Clay layer shall be keyed into the underlying native soil or otherwise constructed to ensure stability.
- B. Compacted Clay shall be placed and compacted in lifts. Maximum loose lift thickness shall be 8 inches. Maximum compacted lift thickness shall be 6 inches.
- C. New Compacted Clay lifts shall be properly tied back into previous clay sections to ensure continuous clay layer coverage. Compacted Clay layers shall be tied into previously placed Compacted Clay layers using a stair-step construction method with benches, no steeper than a five horizontal to one vertical face.
- D. For excavation surfaces with a slope of 3(H):1(V) or flatter, Compacted Clay layer construction may utilize lifts parallel to the finished surface. For excavation surfaces that have steeper than 3(H):1(V) slopes, Compacted Clay lifts shall be placed in successive horizontal lifts. All horizontal lifts shall be sufficiently wide to safely accommodate construction equipment.

- E. Testing requirements for lifts placed on all sloped surfaces shall be the same as specified for nonsloped surfaces. Lift areas on sloped surfaces shall be measured parallel to the surface of the excavation.
- F. Prior to compaction of each lift, the moisture content of the Compacted Clay shall comply with the requirements of these specifications. If the moisture content is above the specified maximum, the Compacted Clay shall be pulverized, disced or similarly reworked to air dry the material and decrease the moisture content.
- G. Each lift shall be compacted to a minimum of 95 percent maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor). Material with densities less than the specified density shall be recompacted and/or reworked as necessary to achieve the specified density.
- H. Each lift shall be thoroughly compacted and shall satisfy all specified requirements before a subsequent lift is placed.
- I. After the final lift has been compacted and tested, the surface of the Compacted Clay shall be rolled and sealed with a smooth drum roller. A minimum of four passes of the roller shall be performed on the Compacted Clay. A pass is defined as one trip across the entire Compacted Clay surface.
- J. COMPANY will test Compacted Clay per the following guidelines:
 - Pre-Construction Testing. Prior to beginning placement of the Compacted Clay, CONTRACTOR shall collect composite samples from the prospective clay source(s) and test the samples as described below. All composite samples shall consist of equal volumes of soil collected from a minimum of four locations within the prospective clay source.
 - a. Two soil classifications in accordance with ASTM D2487 shall be performed from each clay source. Plasticity Index (PI) shall be included in the soil classification.
 - b. Two moisture-density relationship tests in accordance with ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor) shall be performed from each clay source.
 - c. Two hydraulic conductivity tests by ASTM D5084 shall be performed from each clay source. Each sample shall be compacted to 95 percent maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor) prior to performing the hydraulic conductivity test.
 - 2. <u>In-Place Testing</u>. After each Compacted Clay lift has been placed, COMPANY will perform the following in-place tests:
 - a. One in-place density test in accordance with ASTM D6938 shall be performed per each 4,000 square feet for each lift.
 - b. One in-place moisture density relationship shall be reported for every in-place density test performed.
- K. After completion of the Compacted Clay layer, but before beginning installation of the overlying materials, CONTRACTOR shall survey the finished elevations of the Compacted Clay to ensure that the top of the Compacted Clay is at the grades and elevations specified on the Drawings. There shall be a minimum of one survey point for every 5,000 square feet of Compacted Clay surface area.

3.4 SELECT FILL

A. Select fill shall be placed and compacted in lifts. Maximum loose lift thickness shall be 8 inches.

- Maximum compacted lift thickness shall be 6 inches.
- B. Prior to compaction, the moisture content of the select fill shall be no greater than plus 3 percent of the optimum moisture content as determined by ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor). If the moisture content is above the specified maximum, select fill shall be pulverized, disced or similarly reworked to air dry the material and decrease the moisture content.
- C. Each select fill lift shall be compacted to a minimum of 90 percent maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor). Material with densities less than the specified density shall be recompacted and/or reworked as necessary to achieve the specified density.
- D. Each lift shall be thoroughly compacted and shall satisfy all moisture and density requirements before a subsequent lift is placed.
- E. COMPANY will test select fill per the following guidelines:
 - 1. One moisture density relationship test in accordance with ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor) shall be performed for every 50,000 cubic yards placed.
 - 2. One in-place density test in accordance with ASTM D6938 shall be performed for every 20,000 square feet of surface area for each lift. Surface area shall be measured in the horizontal plane.
 - 3. One soil classification in accordance with ASTM D2487 shall be performed for every 50,000 cubic yards placed.
 - 4. Plasticity Index (PI) shall be included in the soil classification. One moisture-density relationship test in accordance with ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor) shall be performed any time a PI change greater than 10 is observed in the soil classification tests.
- F. After completion of the select fill, but before beginning installation of the overlying materials, CONTRACTOR shall survey the finished elevations of the select fill to ensure that the top of the select fill is at the grades and elevations specified on the Drawings. There shall be a minimum of one survey point for every 5,000 square feet of select fill surface area.

3.5 SELECT FILL ON STEEP SLOPES

- A. Steep slopes are defined as surfaces with slopes steeper than 5 horizontal to 1 vertical.
- B. Construction of select fill on steep slopes shall comply with all other requirements for select fill, in addition to those specified herein.
- C. Select fill shall be placed and compacted in benched, horizontal lifts. Maximum loose lift thickness shall be 8 inches. Maximum compacted lift thickness shall be 6 inches.
- D. Lifts shall be placed and compacted horizontally (benched parallel to the toe of the slope) rather than vertically (up and down the slope). Each lift shall be wide enough to permit passage of compacting equipment.
- E. Lifts shall extend horizontally beyond the required final elevations of select fill to permit grading back to the required slopes after compaction and testing.
- F. After each lift has been compacted, tested and accepted by the COMPANY, Contractor shall grade the slope to the required elevations

3.6 LINER SUBGRADE

- K. Liner Subgrade shall be placed and compacted in lifts. Maximum loose lift thickness shall be 8 inches. Maximum compacted lift thickness shall be 6 inches. A total of 2 lifts will be placed to construct the 12 inch Liner Subgrade thickness.
- L. Prior to compaction of each of the lifts, CONTRACTOR shall manually remove all visible rock 3 inches or greater in size from the lift. After the visible rocks have been removed, CONTRACTOR shall compact each lift as discussed below.
- C. Prior to compaction of each lift, the moisture content of the Liner Subgrade shall be no greater than plus 4 percent of the optimum moisture content as determined by ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor). If the moisture content is above the specified maximum, Liner Subgrade shall be pulverized, disced or similarly reworked to air dry the material and decrease the moisture content.
- D. Each lift shall be compacted to a minimum of 90 percent maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor). Material with densities less than the specified density shall be recompacted and/or reworked as necessary to achieve the specified density.
- E. Each lift shall be thoroughly compacted and shall satisfy all specified requirements before a subsequent lift is placed.
- F. After the second lift has been compacted and tested, the surface of the Liner Subgrade shall be rolled and sealed with a smooth drum roller. A minimum of four passes of the roller shall be performed on the Liner Subgrade. A pass is defined as one trip across the entire Liner Subgrade surface.
- H. CONTRACTOR shall test Liner Subgrade as specified herein:
 - 1. One moisture density relationship test in accordance with ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor) shall be performed for every 10,000 cubic yards placed.
 - One in-place density test in accordance with ASTM D6938 shall be performed for every 20,000 square feet of surface area for each lift. Surface area shall be measured in the horizontal plane.
 - 3. One soil classification in accordance with ASTM D2487 shall be performed for every 10,000 cubic yards placed.
 - 4. Plasticity Index (PI) shall be included in the soil classification. One moisture-density relationship test in accordance with ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor) shall be performed any time a PI change greater than 10 is observed in the soil classification tests.
 - 5. One hydraulic conductivity test by ASTM D5084 for every 10,000 cubic yards of Liner Subgrade. Each test shall be performed on a composite Liner Subgrade sample collected from the Liner Subgrade stockpile as approved by COMPANY. The composite sample shall be compacted to 90 percent maximum dry density as determined by ASTM D698 (Standard Proctor) prior to performing the hydraulic conductivity test.
- I. After completion of the Liner Subgrade, but before beginning installation of the overlying materials, CONTRACTOR shall survey the finished elevations of the Liner Subgrade to ensure that the top of the Liner Subgrade is at the grades and elevations specified on the Drawings. There shall be a minimum of one survey point for every 10,000 square feet of Liner Subgrade surface area.

3.7 VEGETATIVE SOIL

- A. Vegetative Soil shall not be placed until the underlying soil has been approved by the COMPANY.
- B. Vegetative Soil shall be placed in one 12 inch lift without damaging the underlying soil. Vegetative Soil shall be tracked in and smoothed out using tracked equipment. No direct compactive effort shall be used on vegetative soil.
- C. After completion of the Vegetative Soil layer, CONTRACTOR shall survey the finished elevations of the Vegetative Soil to ensure that the top of the vegetative soil is at the grades and elevations specified on the Drawings. There shall be a minimum of one survey point for every 5,000 square feet of Vegetative Soil surface area.

3.8 ROAD BASE

- A. Road Base shall be placed on access ramps, on the top of the dike and as required by the COMPANY.
- B. Geotextile shall be placed beneath all Road Base in accordance with Section 2430 of these specifications.
- C. Road Base shall be placed and compacted in lifts, with a maximum loose lift thickness of 8 inches. Each fill lift shall be compacted using a minimum of four passes of the compactor. A pass is defined as one trip across the lift surface. There is no target maximum density requirement for road base.
- D. After completion of the road base, but before beginning installation of the overlying materials, CONTRACTOR shall survey the finished elevations of the road base to ensure that the top of the road base is at the grades and elevations specified on the Drawings. There shall be a minimum of one survey point for every 5,000 square feet of road base surface area.

3.9 RIPRAP

- A. Riprap shall be placed on geotextile conforming to the requirements of Section 02300 of these specifications. Place geotextile with the length running up and down the slope. Ensure geotextile has a minimum overlap of 2 feet at all seams.
- B. Riprap shall be placed in such manner as to produce a well graded mass of rock with the minimum practicable percentage of voids, and shall be constructed within a tolerance of plus 4 inches or minus 2 inches from the lines and grades shown on the Drawings. Placement shall begin at the bottom of the area to be covered and continue up slope. Subsequent loads of material shall be placed against previously placed material in such a manner as to ensure a relatively homogenous mass. Open joints shall be filled with spalls or small rocks. Rocks shall be arranged to present a uniform finished top surface such that the variation between tops of adjacent rocks shall not exceed 3 inches.
- C. No stone shall be dropped through air from a height greater than 3 feet on top of the geotextile. The larger stones shall be well distributed and the entire mass of stones in their final position shall be roughly graded to conform to the gradation specified in this specification. The finished riprap shall be free from objectionable pockets of small stones and clusters of larger stones. Placing riprap by dumping into chutes or by similar methods likely to cause segregation of the various sizes will not be permitted. Placing riprap by dumping it at the top of the slope and pushing it down the slope will not be permitted. Rearranging of individual stones will be required to the extent necessary to obtain a well-graded distribution of stone sizes as specified above.

CAP SUBGRADE

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

- A. This section shall govern work associated with grading, excavation, supply, hauling, placement and compaction of cap subgrade material.
- B. Work associated with the cap subgrade shall also conform to Section 02300 Earthwork of the Specifications.

1.2 MATERIALS INCLUDED IN THIS SECTION

- A. Existing Coal Combustion By-Products used as cap subgrade
- B. Contractor-supplied material used as cap subgrade

1.3 RELATED SECTIONS

- A. Section 02300 Earthwork
- B. Section 02330 Clay Cap

1.4 REFERENCES

A. Reference Standards for cap subgrade shall be as referenced in Section 02300 – Earthwork

1.5 SUBMITTALS

A. Submittals for cap subgrade shall be as specified in Section 02300 – Earthwork

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 COAL COMBUSTION BY-PRODUCTS AS CAP SUBGRADE

- A. OWNER will supply CCBs or existing CCBs within the landfill may be re-graded for use as cap subgrade.
- B. OWNER will identify the location of CCBs outside of the landfill that may be used to supplement existing landfilled materials. Contractor shall be responsible for loading, transporting, placement, and compaction of CCBs used as cap subgrade.
- C. Cap subgrade shall be free of roots, brush, sod, or other perishable materials and debris.

2.2 CONTRACTOR-SUPPLIED MATERIAL AS CAP SUBGRADE

- A. Contractor-supplied cap subgrade material shall be as specified herein.
- B. Cap subgrade material shall be approved by the Engineer prior to delivery to the Site.
- C. Contractor shall provide written Certification to Engineer that material to be supplied conforms to the requirements of this specification.
- D. Cap subgrade shall be clean fill material free of waste material, organic material, sticks, or other deleterious material.

- E. Cap subgrade may include crushed rock, broken rock, broken concrete and similar materials provided these materials do not exceed 30 percent (by weight) of the total material in the cap subgrade lift of which they are part.
- F. Contractor-supplied cap subgrade shall be soil class "CL" or "CH" according to ASTM D2487 and shall conform to the following:
 - 1. No material larger than 3-inch diameter.
 - 2. Plasticity Index (PI) greater than or equal to 7.
 - 3. Particle size distribution shall conform to the following:

U.S. Sieve Size	Percent Passing
No. 4	80-95
No. 40	55-75
No. 200	Greater than 50

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 GENERAL

- A. Compaction of all materials shall be performed with an appropriately heavy, properly ballasted penetrating foot compactor. A minimum of four passes of the compactor shall be performed on each material lift. A pass is defined as one trip of the compactor over the lift and back to the starting point by a single drum roller or one trip across the lift surface from one side to the other if the compacting equipment has front and back compacting rollers.
- B. The minimum weight of the compacting equipment shall be 1,500 pounds per linear foot of drum length.
- C. The daily work area shall extend a distance no greater than necessary to maintain moist conditions and continuous operations. Desiccation and crusting of the lift surface shall be avoided as much as possible.
- D. Water added to soils shall be clean and shall not have come into contact with waste or any objectionable material.

3.2 CONSTRUCTION OF CAP SUBGRADE

- A. All existing vegetation on areas to be capped or regraded shall be stripped or otherwise removed prior to placing cap subgrade or regarding. Contractor shall be responsible for disposal of all debris resulting from vegetation removal in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.
- B. After existing vegetation has been removed, material underlying the cap subgrade shall be scarified to a minimum depth of 2-inches prior to placement of cap subgrade. Areas that only require regarding may not require scarifiying and compaction provided that such areas meet that are regarded to meet the requirements of Subsection 3.2.C of this Specification.
- C. Cap subgrade underlying the clay cap shall conform to the following:
 - 1. Cap subgrade shall be placed in compacted lifts. Maximum loose lift thickness shall be 12 inches and a minimum of four passes of the compacting equipment shall be required for each lift.

- 2. After the final lift has been placed and compacted to the required elevations, the cap subgrade shall be proof rolled using the methods specified herein or other method approved by the Engineer:
 - a. Proof rolling equipment shall consist of not less than four pneumatic tired wheels, arranged so that the wheels carry approximately equal loads when operating on uneven surfaces. Proof rolling equipment may be self-propelled or towed by a suitable tractor.
 - b. Proof rolling equipment shall have a rolling width of 8 to 10 feet and shall be capable of operating under various contact pressures.
 - c. Contact pressure of proof rolling equipment shall be a minimum of 2,000 pounds per square foot.
 - d. A minimum of two passes with proof rolling equipment shall be completed across the entire prepared cap subgrade surface.
- Any area of the cap subgrade shown to be unstable or non-uniform after proof rolling shall be recompacted and/or reworked until proof rolled to the satisfaction of the ENGINEER.
- D. Finished lifts of cap subgrade shall be sprayed with clean water as necessary to prevent drying and desiccation.
- E. At the end of each construction day's activities, completed lifts shall be sealed by rolling with a rubber-tired or smooth drum roller. Prior to resuming placement of material the surface of the cap subgrade shall be scarified to a minimum depth of 2 inches.
- F. After completion of the cap subgrade, but before beginning installation of the overlying clay cap, Contractor shall survey the finished elevations of the cap subgrade to ensure that the top of the cap subgrade is at the specified grades and elevations presented in the Conceptual Closure Plan. There shall be a minimum of one survey point for every 10,000 square feet of cap surface area.

CLAY CAP

PART 1 - GENERAL

3.3 DESCRIPTION

- A. This section shall govern work associated with grading, excavation, supply, hauling, placement and compaction of the clay cap material.
- B. Work associated with the cap subgrade shall also conform to Section 02300 Earthwork of the Specifications.

3.4 MATERIALS INCLUDED IN THIS SECTION

- A. OWNER-supplied material used as clay cap
- B. Contractor-supplied material used as cap subgrade

3.5 RELATED SECTIONS

- A. Section 02300 Earthwork
- B. Section 02330 Clay Cap

3.6 REFERENCES

A. Reference Standards for cap subgrade shall be as referenced in Section 02300 – Earthwork

1.5 SUBMITTALS

A. Submittals for cap subgrade shall be as specified in Section 02300 – Earthwork

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 COAL COMBUSTION BY-PRODUCTS AS CAP SUBGRADE

- A. OWNER may identify a suitable on-site borrow area for supplying clay cap material.
- B. OWNER will identify the location of suitable material that may be used as clay cap. Contractor shall be responsible for loading, transporting, placement, and compaction of material used as the clay cap.
- C. Clay cap material shall be free of roots, brush, sod, or other perishable materials and debris.

2.2 CONTRACTOR-SUPPLIED MATERIAL AS CLAY CAP

- A. Contractor-supplied clay cap material shall be as specified herein.
- B. Cap material shall be approved by the Engineer prior to delivery to the Site.
- C. Contractor shall provide written Certification to Engineer that material to be supplied conforms to the requirements of this specification.
- D. Clay cap shall be clean fill material free of waste material, organic material, sticks, or other

deleterious material.

- E. Contractor-supplied clay cap shall be soil class "CL" or "CH" according to ASTM D2487 and shall conform to the following:
 - 1. No material larger than 3-inch diameter.
 - 2. Plasticity Index (PI) greater than or equal to 15.
 - 3. In-place permeability by ASTM D5084 no greater than 1x10⁻⁷ cm/sec
 - 4. All material retained on the No. 4 Sieve shall be subrounded to rounded.
 - 5. Particle size distribution shall conform to the following:

U.S. Sieve Size	Percent Passing
No. 4	80-95
No. 40	55-75
No. 200	Greater than 50

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 GENERAL

- A. Compaction of all materials shall be performed with an appropriately heavy, properly ballasted penetrating foot compactor. A minimum of four passes of the compactor shall be performed on each material lift. A pass is defined as one trip of the compactor over the lift and back to the starting point by a single drum roller or one trip across the lift surface from one side to the other if the compacting equipment has front and back compacting rollers.
- B. The minimum weight of the compacting equipment shall be 1,500 pounds per linear foot of drum length.
- C. The daily work area shall extend a distance no greater than necessary to maintain moist conditions and continuous operations. Desiccation and crusting of the lift surface shall be avoided as much as possible.
- D. Water added to soils shall be clean and shall not have come into contact with waste or any objectionable material.

3.2 CONSTRUCTION OF CAP SUBGRADE

- A. Clay cap shall be placed and compacted with a maximum loose lift thickness of 8 inches and a maximum compacted lift thickness of 6 inches.
- B. The clay cap shall be compacted as necessary to achieve an in-place permeability of no greater than 1x10⁻⁷ cm/second. At a minimum, four passes of the compacting equipment shall be required for each lift.
- G. Contractor shall test the clay cap as specified herein:
 - Two soil classifications in accordance with ASTM D2487 shall be performed for each lift.
 - 2. One in-place density test in accordance with ASTM D2922 shall be performed for every 20,000 square feet of cap subgrade placed for each 12 inches of compacted thickness.

- 3. One permeability test in accordance with ASTM D5084 shall be performed for every 4 acres of cap subgrade placed for each 12 inches of compacted thickness.
- H. Finished lifts of cap subgrade shall be sprayed with clean water as necessary to prevent drying and desiccation.
- I. At the end of each construction day's activities, completed lifts shall be sealed by rolling with a rubber-tired or smooth drum roller. Prior to resuming placement of material the surface of the cap subgrade shall be scarified to a minimum depth of 2 inches.
- J. After completion of the cap subgrade, but before beginning installation of the overlying clay cap, Contractor shall survey the finished elevations of the cap subgrade to ensure that the top of the cap subgrade is at the specified grades and elevations presented in the Conceptual Closure Plan. There shall be a minimum of one survey point for every 10,000 square feet of cap surface area.

VEGETATIVE SOIL LAYER

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

- A. This section shall govern work associated with grading, excavation, supply, hauling, placement and compaction of the vegetative soil material.
- B. Work associated with the vegetative soil layer shall also conform to Section 02300 Earthwork of the Specifications.

1.2 MATERIALS INCLUDED IN THIS SECTION

- A. OWNER-supplied material used as vegetative soil
- B. Contractor-supplied material used as vegetative soil

1.3 RELATED SECTIONS

- A. Section 02300 Earthwork
- B. Section 02330 Clay Cap
- C. Vegetation

1.4 REFERENCES

 Reference Standards for vegetative soil layer shall be as referenced in Section 02300 – Earthwork

1.5 SUBMITTALS

A. Submittals for cap subgrade shall be as specified in Section 02300 – Earthwork

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 OWNER-SUPPLIED MATERIAL AS VEGETATIVE SOIL LAYER

- A. OWNER will supply Contractor with material for use as vegetative soil layer.
- B. OWNER will identify the location of material for Contractor. Contractor shall be responsible for loading, transporting, placement, and compaction of material used as the vegetative soil layer.

2.2 CONTRACTOR-SUPPLIED MATERIAL AS VEGETATIVE SOIL LAYER

- A. Vegetative soil layer shall be a clay loam or silty clay loam as classified by the United States Department of Agriculture and shall comply with all of the following:
 - 1. Free of deleterious material, materials toxic to plant growth, noxious weed seeds, rhizomes, roots, subsoil, rocks, or other debris.
 - 2. Maximum sodium adsorption ration (SAR): 8
 - 3. Maximum electrical conductivity (EC): 2 mmhos/cm

- 4. Maximum particle dimension: 2 inches.
- 5. The pH shall be between 6.0 and 8.5 standard units. If approved by the Engineer, Contractor may amend soil as necessary to achieve the specified pH.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 VEGETATIVE SOIL LAYER PLACEMENT

- A. Vegetative Soil shall not be placed until the underlying soil has been approved by the ENGINEER.
- B. Vegetative Soil shall be placed in one 18 inch lift without damaging the underlying soil. Vegetative Soil shall be tracked in and smoothed out using tracked equipment. No direct compactive effort shall be used on vegetative soil.
- C. After completion of the Vegetative Soil layer, CONTRACTOR shall survey the finished elevations of the Vegetative Soil to ensure that the top of the protective soil is at the grades and elevations specified on the Drawings. There shall be a minimum of one survey point for every 10,000 square feet of Vegetative Soil surface area.

VEGETATION

PART 1 – GENERAL

1.1 SUMMARY

A. This Section describes the requirements for vegetation establishment in areas disturbed during construction activities.

1.2 SUBMITTALS

A. CONTRACTOR shall submit information regarding proposed seed, fertilizer, mulch, tackifier and any other materials to be used to establish vegetation at least 10 days prior to delivery.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 SEED SUPPLIERS

A. Seed suppliers must provide labeling of variety, purity, and germination. The supplier must satisfy State of Texas seed quality laws. The COMPANY must approve seed supplier.

2.2 SEED DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Grass seed mixture shall be delivered in sealed containers. Seed in damaged packaging will not be accepted. CONTRACTOR shall provide seed mixture in containers showing the percentage of each species in the seed mix, year of production, net weight, date of packaging, name and address of supplier, percent of weed seed content, and guaranteed percentage of purity and germination.
- B. Fertilizer shall be delivered in appropriate waterproof containers showing weight, chemical analysis, and name of manufacturer.

2.3 SEED MIXTURE

- A. Seed mixture shall be appropriate for the season in which it is planted and shall be approved by the COMPANY prior to placement.
- B. Seed shall be hulled, extra-fine grade, treated with fungicide, and shall have a germination and purity that will produce, after allowance for Federal Seed Act tolerances, a pure live seed (PLS) content of not less than 85 percent. Seed shall be labeled in accordance with U.S. Department of Agriculture rules and regulations.
- C. Unless otherwise approved by the COMPANY, vegetation seed mixture shall consist of the following grasses at the application rates specified:

Grass Species	Application Rate (pounds PLS per acre)
Gulf Rye	30
Common Bermudagrass	20
Total:	50

D. Alternative seed mixtures may be submitted in writing to the COMPANY and must be approved by the COMPANY prior to seed application.

2.4 ACCESSORIES

- A. Mulching materials shall consist of dry oat, wheat, or Bermuda straw, free from weeds and foreign matter detrimental to plant life. Native hay or chopped cornstalks are acceptable. Also acceptable is approved chip-form wood cellulose fiber that is free of ingredients that could inhibit growth or germination.
- B. Compost, if used as an organic admixture, shall be applied per TXDOT Special Specification; Item 1027 "Furnishing and Placing Compost." Compost application is optional and subject to the approval of the COMPANY, which must be obtained at least 10 days prior to use.
- C. Fertilizer shall be applied to vegetative soil layer material and shall be inorganic chemical fertilizer consisting of 20-5-5 fertilizer applied at 200 pounds per acre.
- D. Stakes shall be softwood lumber, chisel pointed.
- E. Water shall be from fresh water sources and shall be free from soil, acids, alkalis, salt, or any other substance injurious to growth of grass.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 INSPECTION OF VEGETATIVE SOIL

A. CONTRACTOR shall verify that vegetative soil and areas disturbed during construction activities are ready to receive the work covered by this section.

3.2 FERTILIZER

- A. All fertilizer shall be applied in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- B. Manure, if used, may be applied at a rate of up to 10 tons/acre. Manure application is optional subject to the approval of the COMPANY, which must be obtained at least 10 days prior to use.
- C. Pre-planting fertilizer shall be mixed thoroughly into the upper 3 in. of vegetative-soil layer prior to applying seed.

3.3 SEEDING

- A. Drill seed application is acceptable for slopes equal to or flatter than 4(H):1(V).
- B. Seed shall be applied evenly by broadcast or hydroseed application at the rate specified in this Section. Adjustment to rate shall be made for variations in seed purity and germination to achieve the PLS equivalent rate. Hydroseeding is acceptable as a broadcast method of seeding and fertilizing. If dry broadcasting is done, seeds must be raked into the upper soil surface and seed must be applied at half of the specified broadcast rate. Designated areas for erosion control may not be seeded in excess of that which can be covered with erosion control material on the same day.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall not sow immediately following rain, when ground is too dry, or during windy periods.

3.4 SEED PROTECTION/EROSION CONTROL

A. Straw/hay mulch shall be applied to all seeded areas, with slopes less than 4(H) to 1(V), within 24 hours after seeding operations. Straw or hay mulch shall be applied at a rate of approximately 150 pounds per 1000 square feet (6,500 pounds per acre) and crimped in place. Cellulose fiber

mulch shall be applied at a rate of approximately 75 pounds per 1,000 square feet (3,200 pounds per acre).

B. Seeded sloped areas shall be covered with erosion control fabric on all exterior slopes of 4(H) to I(V) and steeper; and in all drainage channels and swales in accordance with Section 1100, "Erosion and Sedimentation Control."

3.5 IRRIGATION

- A. CONTRACTOR shall irrigate seeded areas if and as necessary to comply with the Uniform Grass Coverage (UGC) requirements of this Section.
- B. Irrigation may be performed by water truck or by temporary irrigation system. If a temporary irrigation system is used, CONTRACTOR shall remove temporary irrigation system once COMPANY has accepted vegetated areas.
- C. Irrigation shall be performed for a minimum of thirty days after initial planting and for as long as necessary to establish UGC across the entire seeded area.

3.6 ESTABLISHMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF PERMANENT VEGETATION

- A. It shall be solely the CONTRACTOR's responsibility to establish UGC across all application areas, regardless of unseasonable climatic conditions or other adverse conditions affecting planting operations and growth of vegetation.
- B. Uniform Grass Coverage (UGC) shall be defined as a uniform stand of the specified grass with not less than 12 growing plants per square foot of seeded areas.
- C. COMPANY will consider application areas acceptable only when:
 - 1. A statistically significant number of randomly sampled plots have an average of 12 growing plants per square foot.
 - 2. A minimum of one mowing has been performed in the seeded areas.
 - 3. UGC has been deemed to have been achieved by the COMPANY.
- D. Any application areas, which are not determined to be acceptable by the COMPANY, shall be replanted, refertilized, and reirrigated at no additional cost to the COMPANY.
- E. The life and satisfactory condition of all plants (including grass) shall be guaranteed by CONTRACTOR for a period of up to one calendar year after written notice of first acceptance of vegetation by COMPANY. The guarantee period shall include one complete growing season and dormant period.

FLEXIBLE MEMBRANE LINER

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. This section shall govern work associated with furnishing and installing Flexible Membrane Liner, including, but not limited to, layout, placement, seaming, patching and testing.

1.2 REFERENCES

A. American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM) Standards/Publications (Latest version):

D 638	Standard Test Method for Tensile Properties of Plastics
D 1004	Test Method for Initial Tear Resistance of Plastic or Film Sheeting
D 1238	Standard Test Method for Flow Rates of Thermoplastics by Extrusion Plastometer
D 1505	Test Method for Density of Plastics by the Density-Gradient Technique
D 1603	Test Method for Carbon Black in Olefin Plastics
D 2216	Test Method for Laboratory Determination of Water (Moisture) Content of Soil, Rock, and Soil-aggregate Mixtures
D 3895	Standard Test Method for Oxidative-Induction Time of Polyolefins by Differential Scanning Calorimetry
D 4354	Standard Practice for Sampling of Geosynthetics for Testing
D 4632	Standard Test Method for Grab Breaking Load and Elongation of Geotextiles
D 4643	Standard Test Method for Determination of Water (Moisture) Content of Soil by the Microwave Oven Method
D 4759	Standard of Practice for Determining the Specification Conformance of Geosynthetics
D 4833	Standard Test Method for Index Puncture Resistance of Geotextiles, Geomembranes and Other Related Products.
D 5084	Test Method for Measurement of Hydraulic Conductivity of Saturated Porous Materials Using a Flexible Wall Permeameter
D 5199	Measuring Nominal Thickness of Geotextiles and Geomembranes
D 5261	Standard Test Method for Measuring Mass Per Unit Area of Geotextiles
D 5321	Standard Test Method for Determining the Coefficient of Soil and Geosynthetic or Geosynthetic and Geosynthetic Friction by the Direct Shear Method
D 5397	Standard Test Method for Evaluation of Stress Crack Resistance of Polyolefin Geomembranes Using Notched Constant Tensile Load Test

D 5596	Standard Test Method for Microscopic Evaluation of the Dispersion of Carbon Black in Polyolefin Geosynthetics
D 5641	Standard Practice for Geomembrane Seam Evaluation by Vacuum Chamber
D 5820	Standard Practice for Pressurized Air Channel Evaluation of Dual Seamed Geomembranes
D 5887	Test Method for Measurement of Index Flux through Saturated Geosynthetic Clay Liner Using Flexible Wall Permeameter
D 5888	Identification, Storage, and Handling of Geosynthetic Clay Liners
D 5889	Standard Practice for Quality Control of Geosynthetic Clay Liners
D 5890	Test Method for Swell Index of Clay Mineral Component of Geosynthetic Clay Liners
D 5891	Standard Test Method for Fluid Loss of Clay Component of Geosynthetic Clay Liners
D 5993	Standard Test Method for Measuring Mass Per Unit Area of Geosynthetic Clay Liners
D 5994	Standard Test Method for Measuring Core Thickness of Textured Geomembranes
D 6102	Standard Guide for Installation of Geosynthetic Clay Liners
D 6243	Standard Test Method for Determining the Coefficient of Soil and GCL or Geosynthetic and GCL Friction by the Direct Shear Method
D 6392	Standard Test Method for Determining the Integrity of Nonreinforced Geomembrane Seams Produced Using Thermo-Fusion Methods
D 6496	Standard Test Method for Determining Average Bonding Peel Strength Between the Top and Bottom Layers of Needle-Punched Geosynthetic Clay Liners
D 6693	Standard Test Method for Determining Tensile Properties of Nonreinforced Polyethylene and Nonreinforced Flexible Polypropylene Geomembranes
D 6768	Standard Test Method for Tensile Strength of Geosynthetic Clay Liners
E 96	Standard Test Methods for Water Vapor Transmission of Materials

B. Geosynthetic Research Institute (GRI)

GM 17 Test Properties, Testing Frequency and Recommended Warranty for Linear Low Density Polyethylene (LLDPE) Smooth and Textured Geomembranes

1.3 **DEFINITIONS**

- A. Flexible Membrane Liner (FML) An essentially impermeable flexible geomembrane liner of linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE).
- B. INSTALLER -Party responsible for liner installation, including handling, transporting, storing, deploying, protecting, sampling, patching damaged liner and temporary restraining against wind and thermal/solar expansion.

- C. Lot Group of consecutively numbered rolls from the same manufacturing line.
- D. MANUFACTURER Party responsible for the production and quality of the liner.
- E. Overlap The width of material of a liner panel in contact with an adjacent liner panel. The overlap distance is measured perpendicular from the overlying edge of one panel to the underlying edge of the other.

1.4 SUBMITTALS

- A. CONTRACTOR shall submit the following product information at least 10 days prior to delivery:
 - 1. <u>FML</u>: Certification stating that the FML meets the product requirements of this specification and copies of quality control tests performed by MANUFACTURER.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall submit the name of the INSTALLER at least 3 weeks prior to installation, including resume of installation supervisor to be assigned to the project and a list of FML projects completed by INSTALLER.
- C. CONTRACTOR shall submit a Quality Control Plan and Installation Procedures at least 3 weeks prior to installation. The information shall include a list of quality control tests performed and typical testing frequencies, recommended installation procedures, and panel layout drawing identifying panels and overlaps.
- D. CONTRACTOR shall submit the following upon completion of the FML installation:
 - 1. Certification from the INSTALLER stating that the FML has been installed in accordance with the Drawings and Specifications.
 - 2. As-built record drawings showing instrument surveyed locations of all panels, seams, repairs, patches and test samples.
 - 3. Test reports verifying that the FML has been installed in accordance with the specified requirements.
 - 4. Test reports verifying completion of all field seams and repairs are in accord with specified requirements.

1.5 QUALIFICATIONS

- A. INSTALLER must have experience installing FML liners on at least 5 projects of each liner type and have installed a minimum of 2,000,000 square feet of each liner type.
- B. INSTALLER shall provide a minimum of one Master Seamer (minimum 1,000,000 square feet using the type of seaming apparatus proposed for this project) for work on the project.
- C. MANUFACTURER may serve as the INSTALLER or may use an outside INSTALLER that has been approved and certified by MANUFACTURER.

1.6 QUALITY CONTROL

- A. CONTRACTOR is responsible for the overall quality of the installed FML. CONTRACTOR shall maintain quality control over suppliers, manufacturers, products, services, site conditions, and workmanship, to produce Work of specified quality.
- B. CONTRACTOR shall perform construction surveys, as needed, to ensure that the location and grades of all liner installations are in accordance with the design requirements.

C. ENGINEER may perform periodic quality assurance monitoring above and beyond that specified herein. CONTRACTOR shall cooperate, as required, in quality assurance monitoring.

1.8 WARRANTY

- A. FML material shall be warranted by the MANUFACTURER on a pro-rata basis against defects for a period of 5 years from the date of acceptance by the COMPANY.
- B. FML installation shall be warranted by the INSTALLER against defects in workmanship for a period of 1 year from the date of acceptance by the COMPANY.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 FML PRODUCT STANDARD

- A. FML shall be Type "UltraFlex" as manufactured by GSE Environmental, Inc. (GSE) of Houston, Texas; or ENGINEER-approved equivalent. The FML shall be a black, coextruded geomembrane.
- B. Smooth FML shall be installed on flat surfaces and slopes less than 4(H) to I(V). Textured FML shall be installed on slopes 4(H) to I(V) and steeper.

C. FML Material Properties

1. FML shall be 40 mil thick linear low density polyethylene (LLDPE) and shall comply with the following:

Property	ASTM Method	Frequency	Unit	Minimum Average Values
Thickness	D5994	Every Roll	mil	40
Density	D1505	200,000 lbs	g/cm ³	0.94
Tensile Break Strength (smooth/textured)	D6693	20,000 lbs	lb/in	152/60
Elongation at Break (smooth/textured)	D6693	20,000 lbs	%	800/250
Tear Resistance	D1004	45,000 lbs	lb	22
Puncture Resistance (smooth/textured)	D4833	45,000 lbs	lb	56/44
Carbon Black Content	D1603	20,000 lbs	%	2.0 – 3.0
Notch Constant Tensile Load	D5397	200,000 lbs	hr	300
Oxidative Induction Time	D3895	200,000 lbs	min	>100

- D. FML Extrudate Rod or Bead shall conform to the following:
 - 1. Extrudate material shall be made from same type resin as the FML.
 - 2. Additives shall be thoroughly dispersed.
 - 3. Materials shall be free of contamination by moisture or foreign matter.
- E. FML Welding/Seaming Equipment shall meet the following requirements:

- Gauges showing temperatures in apparatus (extrusion welder) or wedge (wedge welder) shall be present.
- 2. An adequate number of welding apparati shall be available to avoid delaying work.
- 3. Power source must be capable of providing constant voltage under combined line load.

2.2 FML PACKING AND LABELING

- A. FML shall be wrapped around a structurally sound core than can support the weight of the liner. Liners shall be supplied in rolls wrapped in relatively impermeable and opaque protective covers and marked or tagged with the following information:
 - 1. MANUFACTURER's name
 - 2. product identification
 - 3. lot or batch number
 - 4. roll number
 - 5. roll dimensions

2.3 FML MANUFACTURING QUALITY CONTROL

- A. FML shall be subjected to quality control and conformance testing to assure that the materials provided meet the specified requirements. Where possible, sampling shall be performed on sacrificial portions of the material to minimize repair of sampled locations.
- B. All materials shall be tested in accordance with MANUFACTURER's quality control program and as specified herein. The MANUFACTURER shall perform the testing. Samples not satisfying the requirements of these specifications shall result in the rejection of the applicable rolls. At CONTRACTOR's expense, additional testing of individual rolls may be performed to more closely identify the non-complying rolls and/or to qualify individual rolls.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 DELIVERY, STORAGE and HANDLING

- A. Deliver material to the job site only after ENGINEER/COMPANY accepts required submittals.
- B. Comply with MANUFACTURER'S recommendations regarding product protection. Maintain product clean and free of damage.
- C. Liner shall be covered with a waterproof, tight-fitting plastic protective covering resistant to ultraviolet degradation. Damage to protective covering shall be repaired immediately. Repairs shall be such that the liner is protected from moisture or other deleterious conditions.
- D. Deliver product to the job site in MANUFACTURER's original packaging, with labels intact and legible. Maintain packaged materials with seals unbroken and labels intact until time of use. Promptly remove damaged or unsuitable products from the job site and promptly replace with products meeting the required specifications.
- E. Comply with MANUFACTURER's recommendations when hauling, unloading, deploying, and installing liner. Do not fold liner. Inspect for defects before installing.

3.2 FML DEPLOYMENT

- A. MANUFACTURER shall verify to the ENGINEER that the materials upon which the FML will be installed are acceptable prior to initiating FML deployment.
- B. Assign each panel a simple and logical identifying code. The coding system shall be subject to approval by the ENGINEER and shall be determined at the job site.

- C. Visually inspect the FML during deployment for imperfections and mark faulty or suspect areas.
- D. Deployment of FML panels shall be performed in a manner that will comply with the following guidelines:
 - 1. Unroll FML using methods that will not damage FML and will protect underlying surface from damage (spreader bar, protected equipment bucket).
 - 2. Place ballast (commonly sandbags) on FML which will not damage FML to prevent wind uplift.
 - 3. Personnel walking on FML shall not engage in activities or wear shoes that could damage it. Smoking will not be permitted on the FML.
 - 4. Do not allow heavy vehicular traffic directly on FML. Rubber-tired ATV's and trucks are acceptable if wheel contact is less than 6 psi.
 - 5. Protect FML in areas of heavy traffic by placing protective cover over the FML.
- E. Sufficient material (slack) shall be provided to allow for thermal expansion and contraction of the material.
- F. During installation avoid bridging, stresses in the FML, wrinkles and folds.
- G. Schedule FML deployment so deployment, welding and covering occur within as narrow a temperature range as possible. Do not deploy in the presence of excessive moisture, precipitation, ponded water or high winds.
- H. Deploy panels to minimize field seams in corners, odd-shaped geometric locations and outside corners.
- I. Shingle panels on slopes and grades so upgradient panel is on top.
- J. Unroll only those factory-packaged sections which are to be anchored or seamed together in one day.
- K. After panels are initially in place, remove as many wrinkles as possible. Unroll several panels and allow the liner to "relax" before beginning field seaming. The purpose of this is to make the edges which are to be bonded as smooth and free of wrinkles as possible.
- L. Once panels are in-place and smooth, commence field seaming operations.
- M. Personnel working on the FML shall not smoke, wear damaging shoes or engage in any activity which damages the FML.
- N. Anchor trenches shall be constructed as shown on the Drawings. Round edges of anchor trenches or cushion with geotextile. The anchor trench shall be excavated, backfilled and compacted in accordance with MANUFACTURER's recommendations. Care should be taken when backfilling the trench to prevent any damage to the FML.
- O. Damaged and sample coupon areas of FML shall be repaired by the CONTRACTOR before leaving the site at the end of each day. Any damage to subgrade while coupons are open is the responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. Repaired areas will be tested for seam integrity by the CONTRACTOR. Damaged materials are the property of the CONTRACTOR and will be removed from the site at the CONTRACTOR's expense. The CONTRACTOR will retain all ownership and responsibility for the FML until acceptance by the COMPANY.

3.3 FML SEAMING

- A. Provide at least one Master Seamer who shall provide direct supervision over other welders as necessary.
- B. Use a sequential seam numbering system compatible with panel numbering system that is acceptable to the ENGINEER and INSTALLER.
- C. Seaming may be extrusion or wedge welding or a combination of these methods. Solvent welding is not acceptable. ENGINEER reserves the right to reject any proposed seaming method.
 - 1. <u>Extrusion Welding</u>. Extrusion welding applies a molten bead of material to preheated sheets of FML which are then joined by pressure. Prior to extrusion welding:
 - a. Hot-air tack adjacent pieces together using procedures that do not damage the FML.
 - b. Clean FML surfaces by disc grinder or equivalent.
 - c. Purge welding apparatus of heat-degraded extrudate before welding.
 - 2. <u>Wedge Welding</u>. The wedge welding process heats the FML area to be joined to the melting point and then applies pressure to join the melted surfaces. Wedge welding apparatus shall be a self-propelled device equipped with an electronic controller which displays applicable temperatures.
- D. Seaming shall be performed in accordance with the following:
 - 1. All foreign matter (dirt, water, oil, etc) shall be removed from the area to be bonded. No solvents shall be used to clean the FML.
 - It is imperative to keep surface water runoff from beneath the FML at all times during installation. The CONTRACTOR's panel placement, seam welding technique and welding schedule shall minimize or eliminate the accumulation of water beneath the FML. Any water found ponded beneath the FML after the FML has been installed shall be removed by the CONTRACTOR at no cost to the COMPANY. Subgrade beneath FML that has become excessively moist, soft or unsuitable to perform its intended function shall be replaced at no cost to the COMPANY.
 - 3. As much as practical, field seaming shall start in the middle and work toward an open end in order to minimize cutting and patching of large wrinkles that become trapped. When seaming the side slopes, seaming should start at the toe of the slope and work up the slope. Tack welds, if used, shall use heat only; no double-sided tape, glue or other method will be permitted. The FML should be seamed completely to the ends of all panels to minimize the potential of tear propagation along the seam. Seaming of the bottom membrane to the sidewall membrane shall be conducted when conditions minimize thermal expansion effects. The completed liner shall not exhibit "trampolining" and shall be in full contact with the underlying materials.
 - 4. FML sheets to be joined shall be overlapped at least 6-inches after the necessary aligning and cutting, unless otherwise shown on the Contract Drawings.
 - In corners and odd shaped geometric locations, the number of field seams should be minimized.
 - 6. No seaming should be attempted above 40 degrees C (104 degrees F) ambient air temperature. Below 5 degrees C (41 degrees F) ambient air temperature, preheating of the FML may be required. It shall be the responsibility of the CONTRACTOR to demonstrate that conditions are favorable for seaming by acceptable test (start-up) seams which duplicate, as closely as possible, actual field conditions. Preheating may

- be achieved by natural and/or artificial means (shelters and heating devices).
- 7. A moveable protective layer of plastic may be required, as recommended by the ENGINEER, to be placed directly below each overlap of FML that is to be seamed. This is to prevent any moisture build-up between the sheets to be welded.
- 8. Seaming will extend to the outside edge of panels to be placed in anchor trenches.
- 9. If required, a firm substratum should be provided by using a flat board, a conveyor belt, or similar hard surface directly under the seam overlap to achieve proper support.
- No folds, wrinkles or "fish-mouths" shall be allowed within the seam area. Where wrinkles or folds occur, the material shall be cut, overlapped and an extrusion-weld shall be applied. All welds on completion of the work shall be tightly bonded and sealed. Do not cover FML at locations that have been repaired until test results with passing values are available.
- After seaming is complete in a given area, FML edges in the anchor trench should be buried. Do not bury the FML edge in the anchor trench within 30 feet of an incomplete or unbounded field seam.
- 12. At the end of each day or installation segment, all unseamed edges shall be anchored by sand bags or other approved device. Sand bags shall weigh approximately 20 pounds and shall be placed no further apart than 20 foot spacing along the open end of the FML. Sand bags securing the FML on the side slopes should be connected by a rope fastened at the top of the slope by a temporary anchor. If high winds are expected, boards along the edge of unseamed panels, with weighted sand bags on top, should be used to anchor the FML on the bottom of the cell. Sand bags fastened by rope should be used to secure unseamed edges on the side slopes. Staples, U-shaped rods or other penetrating anchors shall not be used to secure the FML. The temporary anchoring of the FML is the responsibility of the CONTRACTOR. Any material damaged as the result of weather effects, shall be repaired or replaced at no cost to the COMPANY.

3.4 FML TESTING

A. General

- 1. CONTRACTOR shall employ a Geosynthetic Quality Assurance Laboratory to conduct all laboratory testing required by these Specifications.
- 2. Samples of the field seams shall be taken and tested in accordance with ASTM D638 to ensure that tensile strength at yield and break, elongation at yield and break meet the minimum specifications. A quality control certificate shall be issued with the material.
- 3. The CONTRACTOR shall employ on-site physical non-destructive testing on all welds.
- 4. A quality control technician shall inspect each sheet and seam. Any area showing a defect shall be marked and repaired in accordance with the FML repair procedures presented in these Specifications.
- B. <u>Trial Weld Testing</u>. Trial weld testing shall be performed to verify welding equipment is operating properly. Trial weld testing shall be made each day prior to commencing field seaming and no welding equipment or welder shall be allowed to perform production welds until equipment and welders have successfully completed a trial weld test. Trial weld testing shall be completed in accordance with the following:
 - 1. Make trial welds under the same surface and environmental conditions as the production welds, i.e., in contact with subgrade and similar ambient temperature.

- 2. Minimum of two trial weld tests per day, per welding apparatus, one made prior to the start of work and one completed at mid shift. Each seamer will make at least one trial weld test each day.
- 3. Cut four, one-inch wide by six-inch long test specimens from the trial weld and quantitatively test the specimens for peel adhesion and shear strength. Trial weld test specimens shall pass when the results are in compliance with the following minimum seam values:

Property	ASTM Procedure	Unit	Minimum Values
Peel Strength (fusion)	D6392	lb/in	75
Peel Strength (extrusion)	D6392	lb/in	72
Shear Strength	D6392	lb/in	90

- 4. The criteria for passing a peel test shall be conformance with all of the following:
 - a. Failure shall be by Film Tear Bond (FTB);
 - b. No greater than 10 percent of the seam width peels (separates) at any point;
 - c. Compliance with the specified minimum seam values for peel; and
 - d. The break shall be ductile and shall occur in the FML material itself, not through peel separation.
- 5. The criteria for passing a shear test shall be conformance with all of the following:
 - a. Failure shall be by FTB: and
 - b. Compliance with the specified minimum seam values for shear.
- 6. If a trial weld fails, the entire operation will be repeated. If the additional trial weld fails, the seaming apparatus or seamer will not be accepted and will not be used for seaming until the deficiencies are corrected and two consecutive successful full test seams are achieved. Trial weld failure is defined as failure of any one of the specimens tested in shear or peel.
- 7. Successful trial weld samples shall be assigned a number and marked accordingly by the CONTRACTOR, who will also log the date, hour, ambient temperature, number of seaming unit, name of seamer and pass or fail description. The CONTRACTOR shall submit this data to the COMPANY following acceptance of the FML.
- C. <u>Non-Destructive Testing</u>. All field seams shall be tested by the CONTRACTOR continuously using non-destructive techniques. Requirements for non-destructive testing are as follows:
 - Single Weld Seams: CONTRACTOR shall maintain and use equipment and personnel at the site to perform continuous vacuum box testing on all single weld production seams or when the geometry of the weld makes pressure testing impractical. Vacuum testing shall be performed in accordance with ASTM D 5641.
 - 2. <u>Double Weld Seams</u>: CONTRACTOR shall maintain and use equipment and personnel to perform air pressure testing of all double weld seams. Air pressure testing shall be performed in accordance with ASTM D 5820.
- D. <u>Destructive Testing</u>. Field seams shall be tested by the CONTRACTOR at specified intervals using destructive tests. Requirements for destructive testing are as follows:

- 1. Destructive testing will be performed on an average of every 1,500 linear feet of field seam. Test locations shall be approved by the ENGINEER.
- Destructive test samples shall be 12 inches wide and of sufficient length to provide one sample to archive, one sample to the ENGINEER, and two samples to the CONTRACTOR for both field and laboratory testing.
- 3. Destructive testing shall be performed in accordance with ASTM D 6392, Standard Test Method for Determining the Integrity of Non-Reinforced Geomembrane Seams Produced Using Thermo-Fusion Methods. Testing requirements are as follows:
 - a. Each sample shall be large enough to test five specimens in peel and five specimens in shear.
 - b. The average values of each set of five specimens must comply with the material and seam requirements of this Specification and four of the five specimen tests must meet the material and seam requirements of this Specification for the seam to be considered a passing seam. If the average of the five specimens is adequate, but one of the specimens is failing, values for the failing specimen must be at least 80 percent of the specified values for the seam sample to pass.
 - c. A maximum of one non-FTB failure out of five tests is acceptable provided the non-FTB specimen meets strength requirements.
 - d. If unresolved discrepancies exist between Engineer's and CONTRACTOR's test results, the archived sample may be tested by the Engineer.
- 4. Test specimens shall pass when the results are in compliance with the following minimum seam values:

Property	ASTM Procedure	Unit	Minimum Values
Peel Strength (fusion)	D6392	lb/in	75
Peel Strength (extrusion)	D6392	lb/in	72
Shear Strength	D6392	lb/in	90

- 5. Failed Seam Procedures:
 - a. If the seam fails, INSTALLER shall follow one of two options:
 - i. Reconstruct the seam between any two passed test locations.
 - Trace the weld to intermediate location at least 10 feet minimum or where the seam ends in both directions from the location of the failed test.
 - b. The next seam welded using the same welding device is required to obtain an additional sample, i.e., if one side of the seam is less than 10 feet long.
 - c. If sample passes, then the seam shall be reconstructed or capped between the test sample locations.
- 6. CONTRACTOR shall repair all holes in the FML resulting from destructive sampling and shall test the continuity of the repair in accordance with these Specifications.

3.5 FML REPAIR

- A. Remove damaged FML and replace with acceptable FML materials if damage cannot be satisfactorily repaired.
- B. Repair any portion of unsatisfactory FML or seam area failing a destructive or non-destructive test.
- C. INSTALLER shall be responsible for repair of defective areas.
- D. Agreement upon the appropriate repair method shall be decided between ENGINEER and CONTRACTOR by using one of the following repair methods:
 - 1. Patching- Used to repair large holes, tears, undispersed raw materials and contamination by foreign matter.
 - 2. Abrading and Re-welding- Used to repair short section of a seam.
 - Spot Welding- Used to repair pinholes or other minor, localized flaws or where FML thickness has been reduced.
 - Capping- Used to repair long lengths of failed seams.
 - 5. Flap Welding- Used to extrusion weld the flap (excess outer portion) of a fusion weld in lieu of a full cap.
 - 6. Remove the unacceptable seam and replace with new material.
- E. The following procedures shall be followed when a repair method is used:
 - 1. All FML surfaces shall be clean and dry at the time of repair.
 - Surfaces of the FML which are to be repaired by extrusion welds shall be lightly abraded to assure cleanliness.
 - 3. Extend patches or caps at least 6 inches for extrusion welds and 4 inches for wedge welds beyond the edge of the defect, and around all corners of patch material.
- F. Repair Verification. CONTRACTOR shall number and log each patch repair and shall non-destructively test each repair using methods specified in this Specification

3.6 PROTECTIVE SOIL PLACEMENT

- A. Protective Soil shall be placed over the FML as specified in Section 02300 of these Specifications and as specified herein.
- B. When an FML is installed over a GCL, Protective Soil placement shall also comply with the requirements of Section 02410 of these specifications.

3.7 FML ACCEPTANCE

- A. COMPANY will accept the FML installation when:
 - 1. The installation is complete as determined by the ENGINEER.
 - All required submittals and documentation have been received and approved by ENGINEER.

- 3. Test reports verifying completion of all field seams and repairs are in accord with specified requirements.
- 4. CONTRACTOR provides ENGINEER with as-built record drawings of the instrument surveyed panel layout and seam locations with reference numbers for test locations.
- 5. Written certification documents have been received and approved by ENGINEER.

GEOTEXTILE

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. This section shall govern work associated with furnishing and installing geotextile including, but not limited to, layout, installation, and testing.

1.2 REFERENCES

A. American Society of Testing Materials (ASTM) Standards/Publications (Latest version):

D3776	Test Method for Mass per Unit Area (weight) of Woven Fabric
D3786	Test Method for Hydraulic Bursting Strength of Knitted Goods and Non-woven Fabrics
D3787	Test Method for Hydraulic Bursting Strength of Knitted Goods and Non-woven Fabrics, Diaphragm Bursting Strength Test
D4354	Standard Practice for Sampling Geosynthetics for Testing
D4355	Test Method for Deterioration of Geotextiles by Exposure to Light, Moisture and Heat in a Xenon Arc Type Apparatus
D4491	Test Method for Water Permeability of Geotextiles by Permittivity
D4533	Test Method for Trapezoid Tearing Strength of Geotextiles
D4595	Test Method for Tensile Properties by the Wide-width Strip Method
D4632	Test Method for Breaking Load and Elongation of Geotextiles (Grab Method)
D4751	Test Method for Determining Apparent Opening Size of Geotextile
D4833	Test Method for Index Puncture Resistance of Geotextiles, Geomembranes, and Related Products
D5199	Test Method for Measuring Nominal Thickness of Geotextiles and Geomembranes

1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. At least 14 days prior to installation of the geotextile, CONTRACTOR shall submit for approval the following information:
 - 1. <u>Manufacturer's Literature</u>. Submit manufacturer's literature for proposed geotextile, including catalog cut sheets, material samples and, written instructions for delivery, storage, handling, installation, seaming, and repair.
 - 2. <u>Manufacturer Certification</u>. Written certification from the manufacturer that the geotextile complies with the requirements of these specifications and is appropriate for the intended application.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 GEOTEXTILE

- A. Geotextile shall be non-woven, continuous or staple filament, needle-punched polypropylene or polyester suitable for AASHTO M-288 Class 2 applications. Yarn shall be oriented into a stable network that maintains its structure during handling, installation, and long-term service.
- B. Geotextile shall be uniform in color, density, and other physical properties and free of foreign inclusions or other defects.
- C. Geotextile shall be nominal 8 oz per square yard and shall conform to the following minimum average roll values for the properties listed:

Property	ASTM	Unit	Minimum Values
Mass per Unit Area	D5261	oz/yd2	8
Grab Tensile Strength	D4632	lb	220
Grab Elongation	D4632	%	50
CBR Puncture Strength	D6241	lb	575
Trapezoid Tear Strength	D4533	lb	90
Apparent Opening Size	D4751	US Sieve	80
Permittivity	D4491	sec ⁻¹	1.3
Water Flow Rate	D4491	gpm/ft2	95
UV Resistance	D4355	% Retained	70

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 DELIVERY, STORAGE and HANDLING

- A. Comply with the manufacturer's recommendations regarding product handling and protection.
- B. Deliver products to the job site in their manufacturer's original packaging, with labels intact and legible.
- C. Maintain packaged materials with seals unbroken and labels intact until time of use. Maintain in a manner that keeps product clean, dry and free of damage. Promptly remove damaged or unsuitable products from the job site and promptly replace with products meeting the required specifications.
- D. Comply with manufacturer's recommendations when hauling, unloading, deploying, and installing geotextile. Inspect for defects before installing.

3.2 GEOTEXTILE INSTALLATION

- A. Extend geotextile into anchor trenches as shown in the Drawings. Roll geotextile down the slope in such a manner as to maintain tension to preclude folds and wrinkles. Remove any folds or wrinkles by hand.
- B. Ballast geotextile during deployment. Remove ballast immediately prior to covering geotextile with succeeding construction layer.
- C. During installation, do no entrap rocks, dust, or moisture that could damage geotextile or cause clogging.
- D. Schedule deployment activities so geotextile is exposed to direct sunlight for no more than 5 days, unless geotextile is ultraviolet-light stabilized.

- E. Overlap geotextile 2 feet minimum at all seams.
- F. Inspect geotextile and repair holes or tears. Patch using the same geotextile, with minimum overlap of 2 feet in all directions.

++END OF SECTION++

SECTION 02440

GEOCOMPOSITE DRAINAGE LAYER

PART 1 – GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. This section shall govern work associated with furnishing and installing geocompsite drainage layer including, but not limited to, layout, installation, and testing.

1.2 REFERENCES

A. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)

D1238	Standard Test Method for Melt Flow Rates of Thermoplastics by Extrusion Plastometer
D1505	Standard Test Method for Density of Plastics by the Density-Gradient Technique
D4218	Standard Test Method for Determination of Carbon Black Content in Polyethylene Compounds by the Muffle Furnace Technique D 1603-94 Standard Test Method for Carbon Black in Olefin Plastics
D4355	Standard Test Method for Deterioration of Geotextiles by Exposure to Light, Moisture and Heat in a Xenon Arc Type Apparatus
D4491	Standard Test Method for Water Permeability of Geotextiles by Permittivity
D4533	Standard Test Method for Trapezoid Tearing Strength of Geotextiles
D4716	Standard Test Method for Determining the (In-Plane) Flow Rate Per Unit Width and Hydraulic Transmissivity of a Geosynthetic Using a Constant Head
D4751	Standard Test Method for Determining Apparent Opening Size of a Geotextile
D6241	Standard Test Method for the Static Puncture Strength of Geotextiles and Geotextile- Related Products Using a 50-mm Probe D 4833-88 (1996) Standard Test Method for Index Puncture Resistance of Geotextiles, Geomembranes and Related Products
D5261	Standard Test Method for Measuring the Mass Per Unit Area of Geotextiles
D7005	Determining the Bond Strength (Ply-Adhesion) of Geocomposites
D7179	Standard Test Method for Determining Geonet Breaking Force

B. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Daniel, D.E. and R.M. Koerner, (1993), Technical Guidance Document: Quality Assurance and Quality Control for Waste Containment Facilities, EPA/600/R-93/182.

1.3 **DEFINITIONS**

- A. COMPANY The individual or firm responsible for the design and preparation of the project's Contract Drawings and Specifications.
- B. Geocomposite Manufacturer (MANUFACTURER) The party responsible for manufacturing the geocomposite rolls.

- C. Geosynthetic Quality Assurance Laboratory (TESTING LABORATORY) Provided by CONTRACTOR, party that's independent from the MANUFACTURER and INSTALLER, responsible for conducting laboratory tests on samples of geosynthetics obtained at the site or during manufacturing.
- D. INSTALLER- Party responsible for field handling, transporting, storing and deploying the geocomposite.
- E. Lot- A quantity of resin (usually the capacity of one rail car) used to manufacture polyethylene geocomposite rolls. The finished rolls will be identified by a roll number traceable to the resin lot.

1.4 QUALIFICATIONS

A. MANUFACTURER

1. MANUFACTURER shall have manufactured a minimum of 10,000,000 square feet of polyethylene geocomposite material.

B. INSTALLER

- 1. INSTALLER shall have installed a minimum of 1 million square feet of geocomposite in the last year.
- 2. INSTALLER shall have worked in a similar capacity on at least 5 projects similar in complexity to the project described in the contract documents.
- 3. The Installation Supervisor shall have worked in a similar capacity on projects similar in size and complexity to the project described in the Contract Documents.

1.5 SUBMITTALS

- A. At least 14 days prior to installation of the geocomposite, CONTRACTOR shall submit for approval the following information:
 - 1. <u>Manufacturer's Literature</u>. Submit manufacturer's literature for proposed geocomposite, including catalog cut sheets, material samples and, written instructions for delivery, storage, handling, installation, seaming, and repair.
 - 2. <u>Manufacturer Certification</u>. Written certification from the manufacturer that the geocomposite complies with the requirements of these specifications and is appropriate for the intended application.

1.6 MATERIAL LABELING, DELIVERY, STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Labeling Each roll delivered to the site shall be wrapped and labeled by the MANUFACTURER. The label will identify:
 - 1. manufacturer's name
 - 2. product identification
 - 3. length
 - 4. width
 - 5. roll number
- B. Delivery Rolls will be prepared to ship by appropriate means to prevent damage to the material and to facilitate off-loading.

- C. Storage The on-site storage location provided by the CONTRACTOR to protect the geonet from abrasions, excessive dirt and moisture shall have the following characteristics:
 - 1. level (no wooden pallets)
 - 2. smooth
 - 3. dry
 - 4. protected from theft and vandalism
 - 5. adjacent to the area being lined

D. Handling

- 1. The CONTRACTOR and INSTALLER shall handle all rolls in such a manner to ensure they are not damaged in any way.
- 2. The INSTALLER shall take any necessary precautions to prevent damage to underlying layers during placement of the drainage material.

1.7 WARRANTY

- A. Material shall include one-year warranty against defects.
- B. Installation shall be warranted against defects in workmanship for a period of 1-year from the date of geocomposite completion.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 GEOCOMPOSITE PRODUCT STANDARD

- A. Geocomposite shall be 275-mil FabriNet Geocomposite Double-sided with 8 oz geotextile as manufactured by GSE, or approved equal.
- B. Geocomposite shall be manufactured by extruding two crossing strands to form a bi-planar drainage net structure with a non-woven geotextile bonded to one or both sides.
- C. Geocomposite shall have properties that meet or exceed the values listed as follows:

1. Geocomposite

Property	ASTM	Frequency	Unit	Minimum Values
Transmissivity	D4716	1/540,000 ft2	gal/min/ft	3.4
Ply Adhesion	D7005	1/50,000 ft2	lb/in	1.0

2. Geonet

Property	ASTM	Frequency	Unit	Minimum Values
Core Thickness	D5199	1/50,000 ft2	mil	275
Transmissivity	D4716	1/50,000 ft2	gal/min/ft	29
Density	D1505	1/50,000 ft2	g/cm3	0.94
Tensile Strength	D7179	1/50,000 ft2	lb/in	65
Carbon Black Content	D4218	1/50,000 ft2	%	2.0

3. Geotextile

Property	ASTM	Frequency	Unit	Minimum Values
Mass per Unit Area	D5261	1/90,000 ft2	oz/yd2	8
Grab Tensile Strength	D4632	1/90,000 ft2	lb	220

Grab Elongation	D4632	1/90,000 ft2	%	50
CBR Puncture Strength	D6241	1/90,000 ft2	lb	575
Trapezoid Tear Strength	D4533	1/90,000 ft2	lb	90
Apparent Opening Size	D4751	1/540,000 ft2	US Sieve	80
Permittivity	D4491	1/540,000 ft2	sec ⁻¹	1.3
Water Flow Rate	D4491	1/540,000 ft2	gpm/ft2	95
UV Resistance	D4355	Per	% Retained	70
		Formulation		

D. Resin

- 1. Resin shall be new first quality, compounded polyethylene resin.
- 2. Natural resin (without carbon black) shall meet the following additional minimum requirements:

Property	ASTM Test Method	Value
Density (g/cm3)	D1505	>0.932
Melt Flow Index (g/10 min)	D1238	< 1.0

2.2 MANUFACTURING QUALITY CONTROL

1. Geocomposite shall be manufactured in accordance with the Manufacturer's Quality Control Plan.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 DELIVERY, STORAGE and HANDLING

- A. Comply with the manufacturer's recommendations regarding product handling and protection.
- B. Deliver products to the job site in their manufacturer's original packaging, with labels intact and legible.
- C. Maintain packaged materials with seals unbroken and labels intact until time of use. Maintain in a manner that keeps product clean, dry and free of damage. Promptly remove damaged or unsuitable products from the job site and promptly replace with products meeting the required specifications.
- D. Comply with manufacturer's recommendations when hauling, unloading, deploying, and installing geotextile. Inspect for defects before installing.

3.2 FAMILIARIZATION

A. Inspection

- 1. Prior to implementing any of the work in the Section to be lined, the INSTALLER shall carefully inspect and approve the areas to receive the geocomposite.
- If INSTALLER has any concerns regarding the areas to receive geocomposite, he shall immediately notify COMPANY.

3.3 INSTALLATION

A. The geocomposite roll should be installed in the direction of the slope and in the intended

direction of flow unless otherwise specified by the COMPANY.

- B. If the project contains long, steep slopes, special care should be taken so that only full length rolls are used at the top of the slope.
- C. In the presence of wind, all geocomposites shall be weighted down with sandbags or the equivalent. Such sandbags shall be used during placement and remain until replaced with cover material.
- D. The geocomposite shall be properly anchored to resist sliding. Anchor trench compacting equipment shall not come into direct contact with the geocomposite.
- E. In applying fill material, no equipment can drive directly across the geocomposite. The specified fill material shall be placed and spread utilizing vehicles with a low ground pressure.
- F. The cover soil shall be placed in the geocomposite in a manner that prevents damage to the geocomposite. Placement of the cover soil shall proceed immediately following the placement and inspection of the geocomposite.

3.4 SEAMS AND OVERLAPS

A. Each component of the geocomposite will be secured or seamed to the like component at overlaps.

B. Geonet Components

- 1. Adjacent edges of the geonet along the length of the geocomposite roll shall be placed with the edges of each geonet butted against each other.
- 2. The overlaps shall be joined by tying the geonet structure with cable ties. These ties shall be spaced every 5 feet along the roll length.
- 3. Adjoining geocomposite rolls (end to end) across the roll width should be shingled down in the direction of the slope, with the geonet portion of the top overlapping the geonet portion of the bottom geocomposite a minimum of 12 inches across the roll width.
- 4. The geonet portion should be tied every 6 inches in the anchor trench or as specified by the COMPANY.

3.5 REPAIR

- A. Prior to covering the deployed geocomposite, each roll shall be inspected for damage resulting from construction.
- B. Any rips, tears or damaged areas on the deployed geocomposite shall be removed and patched. The patch shall be secured to the original geonet by tying every 6 inches with the approved tying devices. If the area to be repaired is more than 50 percent of the width of the panel, the damaged area shall be cut out and the two portions of the geonet shall be joined in accordance with 3.4 above.

++END OF SECTION++

SECTION 02450

GEOCELLS

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 DESCRIPTION

A. This section shall govern work associated with furnishing and installing geocells (cellular confinement system) including, but not limited to, layout, installation, and testing.

1.2 REFERENCES

A. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)

D1505	Standard Test Method for Density of Plastics by the Density-Gradient Technique
D1603	Standard Test Method for Carbon Black In Olefin Plastics
D1693	Standard Test Method for Environmental Stress-Cracking of Ethylene Plastics
D5199	Standard Test Method for Measuring the Nominal Thickness of Geosynthetics
D5397	Standard Test Method for Evaluation of Stress Crack Resistance of Polyolefin Geomembranes Using Notched Constant Tensile Load Test

B. US Army Corps of COMPANYs (USACE)

Technical Report GL-86-19, Appendix A.

1.4 QUALIFICATIONS

- A. Geocell Manufacturer's Field Representative shall have worked in a similar capacity on at least 5 geocell projects similar in complexity to the project described in the contract documents.
- B. Geocell Installer shall have worked in a similar capacity on at least 5 geocell projects similar in complexity to the project described in the contract documents.

1.5 SUBMITTALS

- A. At least 14 days prior to installation of the geocells, CONTRACTOR shall submit for approval the following information:
 - 1. <u>Manufacturer's Literature</u>. Submit manufacturer's literature for proposed geocells, including catalog cut sheets, material samples and, written instructions for delivery, storage, handling, installation, seaming, and repair.
 - 2. <u>Manufacturer Certification</u>. Written certification from the manufacturer that the geocells comply with the requirements of these specifications and is appropriate for the intended application.

1.6 WARRANTY

A. Material shall include one-year warranty against defects.

B. Installation shall be warranted against defects in workmanship for a period of 1-year from the date of geocell completion.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 GEOCELL PRODUCT STANDARD

- A. Geocells shall be black Terracell 140 perforated, textured high-density polyethylene (HDPE) geocell as manufactured by Hanes Geo Components, or approved equal.
- B. Geocells shall be manufactured to meet the values listed as follows:

Property	Values
Cell Depth	4 in
Nominal Expanded Cell Size	10.2 in X 8.8 in
Nominal Expanded Cell Area	44.8 in
Nominal Expanded Section (L X W)	21.4 ft X 8.4 ft
Cells per Section (L X W)	29 cells X 10 cells
Nominal Expanded Section Area	180 sf
Weld Spacing	14 in

C. Geocells shall be constructed using virgin, non-thermally degraded HDPE with material properties that meet or exceed the following values:

Property	ASTM	Unit	Minimum Values
Polymer Density	D1505	g/cm3	0.935-0.965
Environmental Stress Crack Resistance	D5397	hours	>400
Environmental Stress Crack Resistance	D1693	hours	>6000
Minimum Carbon Black Content	D1603	%	1.5
Nominal Sheet Thickness	D5199	mil	60 (+10%, -5%)
Seam Peel Strength	USACE	lb	320

- D. Geocell weld joints shall have a Seam Hang Strength able to support a load of 160 pounds for 30 days minimum or for 7 days minimum while undergoing temperature change from 74 degrees F to 130 degrees F on 1-hour cycle.
- E. The HDPE strips used to construct the Geocell shall be textured with diamond shaped indentations. The rhomboidal indentations shall have a surface density of 140 to 200 per in².
- F. Geocells shall be perforated with10 mm diameter holes spaced at 16.6 mm on center. The holes shall be placed in horizontal rows staggered 8.3 mm on relative to hole centers.
- G. Geocell section length shall be in accordance with manufacturer recommendations for intended application.

2.2 ACCESSORIES

A. J-Hooks:

1. J-Hooks shall be uncoated steel reinforcing bars as follows:

a. Diameter: 0.5 inch

b. Length: 12 inches minimum.c. Hook: 180-degree bend

2.3 INFILL MATERIAL

A. Infill Material shall be concrete. Concrete shall at a minimum be Class A, 3,000-psi concrete with three-quarter inch diameter aggregate.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 DELIVERY, STORAGE and HANDLING

- A. Comply with the Manufacturer's recommendations regarding product handling and protection.
- B. Deliver products to the job site in their manufacturer's original packaging, with labels intact and legible.
- C. Maintain packaged materials with seals unbroken and labels intact until time of use. Maintain in a manner that keeps product clean, dry and free of damage. Promptly remove damaged or unsuitable products from the job site and promptly replace with products meeting the required specifications.
- D. Comply with Manufacturer's recommendations when hauling, unloading, deploying, and installing geotextile. Inspect for defects before installing.

3.2 FAMILIARIZATION

A. Inspection

- 3. Prior to beginning geocell installation, Geocell Installer and Geocell Manufacturer's Field Representative shall carefully inspect and approve the area to receive geocells.
- 4. If Geocell Installer or Geocell Manufacturer's Field Representative have any concerns regarding the proposed geocell area, they shall immediately notify COMPANY.

3.3 PREPARATION

- A. Prepare site by removing vegetative cover, debris, and unacceptable soils from area where geocells will be installed.
- B. Replace removed soils with acceptable materials.

3.4 INSTALLATION

- A. Install geocells in accordance with manufacturer's instructions at locations indicated on the drawings.
- B. Anchor geocell sections as necessary to resist sliding due to gravitational forces and sheet flow.

The upper edge of the geocell shall be buried in an anchor trench as recommended by the Manufacturer and shown on the Drawings. Geocells shall also be anchored using J-Hooks in accordance with manufacturer recommendations.

- C. Ensure top edges of adjoining cell walls are flush with each other and in proper alignment.
- D. Geocells shall be infilled with concrete. Deliver infill material to geocells from top of slope or channel to bottom in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- E. Limit drop height of infill material to a maximum of 3 feet to prevent damage to geocells.
- F. Manually rake and machine finish concrete infill material.

++END OF SECTION++

APPENDIX B
HELP MODEL OUTPUT

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NOTE: INITIAL MOISTURE CONTENT OF THE LAYERS AND SNOW WATER WERE COMPUTED AS NEARLY STEADY-STATE VALUES BY THE PROGRAM.

LAYER 1

TYPE 1 - VERTICAL PERCOLATION LAYER MATERIAL TEXTURE NUMBER 6

THICKNESS = 45.72 CM
POROSITY = 0.4530 VOL/VOL
FIELD CAPACITY = 0.1900 VOL/VOL
WILTING POINT = 0.0850 VOL/VOL
INITIAL SOIL WATER CONTENT = 0.3108 VOL/VOL

EFFECTIVE SAT. HYD. COND. = 0.720000000000E-03 CM/SEC NOTE: SATURATED HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY IS MULTIPLIED BY 5.00 FOR ROOT CHANNELS IN TOP HALF OF EVAPORATIVE ZONE.

LAYER 2

TYPE 3 - BARRIER SOIL LINER MATERIAL TEXTURE NUMBER 29

THICKNESS = 91.44 CM
POROSITY = 0.4510 VOL/VOL
FIELD CAPACITY = 0.4190 VOL/VOL
WILLIAM POINT = 0.3320 VOL/VOL

WILTING POINT = 0.3320 VOL/VOL
INITIAL SOIL WATER CONTENT = 0.4510 VOL/VOL

EFFECTIVE SAT. HYD. COND. = 0.10000000000E-06 CM/SEC

GENERAL DESIGN AND EVAPORATIVE ZONE DATA

NOTE: SCS RUNOFF CURVE NUMBER WAS COMPUTED FROM DEFAULT

SOIL DATA BASE USING SOIL TEXTURE # 6 WITH A FAIR STAND OF GRASS, A SURFACE SLOPE OF 4.%

AND A SLOPE LENGTH OF 409. METERS.

SCS RUNOFF CURVE NUMBER SCS RUNOFF CURVE NUMBER = FRACTION OF AREA ALLOWING RUNOFF = 66.56

100.0 PERCENT AREA PROJECTED ON HORIZONTAL PLANE = 96.7199 HECTARES

EVAPORATIVE ZONE DEPTH 25.4 CM INITIAL WATER IN EVAPORATIVE ZONE = 5.003 CM UPPER LIMIT OF EVAPORATIVE STORAGE = 11.506 CM LOWER LIMIT OF EVAPORATIVE STORAGE = 2.159 CM INITIAL SNOW WATER 0.000 CM

INITIAL WATER IN LAYER MATERIALS = 55.447 CM TOTAL INITIAL WATER 55.447 CM TOTAL SUBSURFACE INFLOW 0.00 MM/YR

EVAPOTRANSPIRATION AND WEATHER DATA

NOTE: EVAPOTRANSPIRATION DATA WAS OBTAINED FROM Big Brown

= 31.54 DEGREES STATION LATITUDE

MAXIMUM LEAF AREA INDEX = 4.50 START OF GROWING SEASON (JULIAN DATE) = END OF GROWING SEASON (JULIAN DATE) 336

EVAPORATIVE ZONE DEPTH = 10.0 INCHES AVERAGE ANNUAL WIND SPEED = 11.30 MPH AVERAGE 1ST QUARTER RELATIVE HUMIDITY = 69.00 % AVERAGE 2ND QUARTER RELATIVE HUMIDITY = 69.00 %

AVERAGE 3RD QUARTER RELATIVE HUMIDITY = 62.00 % AVERAGE 4TH QUARTER RELATIVE HUMIDITY = 69.00 %

NOTE: PRECIPITATION DATA WAS SYNTHETICALLY GENERATED USING TX

COEFFICIENTS FOR Big Brown

NORMAL MEAN MONTHLY PRECIPITATION (INCHES)

JAN/JUL	FEB/AUG	MAR/SE	P APR/	OCT	MAY/NOV	JUN/DEC
1.69	2.04	1.99	3.79	4.73	2.58	
1.78	1.95	3.18	3.06	2.24	1.92	

NOTE: TEMPERATURE DATA WAS SYNTHETICALLY GENERATED USING

COEFFICIENTS FOR Big Brown

NORMAL MEAN MONTHLY TEMPERATURE (DEGREES FAHRENHEIT)

JAN/JUL	FEB/AUG	MAR/SE	P APR/	OCT	MAY/NOV	JUN/DEC
46.20	50.50	58.10	67.10	74.20	81.90	
85.90	85.60	79.20	68.80	57.00	49.50	

NOTE: SOLAR RADIATION DATA WAS SYNTHETICALLY GENERATED USING COEFFICIENTS FOR Big Brown TX
AND STATION LATITUDE = 31.85 DEGREES

HEAD #1: AVERAGE HEAD ON TOP OF LAYER 2

DRAIN #1: LATERAL DRAINAGE FROM LAYER 1 (RECIRCULATION AND COLLECTION)
LEAK #1: PERCOLATION OR LEAKAGE THROUGH LAYER 2

AVERAGE MONTHLY	VALUES IN INCHES FOR YEARS	1 THROUGH	30

	JAN/JUL	FEB/AUG	MAR/SEP	APR/OCT	MAY/NOV	JUN/DEC
PRECIPITATION						
TOTALS	1.55	2.09	2.15	2.75	4.74	2.79
	1.34	2.09	2.90	2.97	2.08	1.61
STD. DEVIATIONS	0.89	1.12	1.33	1.79	2.76	1.43
	1.79	1.88	1.85	1.49	1.16	0.98
RUNOFF						
TOTALS	0.018	0.057	0.068	0.046	0.162	0.080
	0.007	0.001	0.031	0.042	0.187	0.198
STD. DEVIATIONS	0.081	0.181	0.192	0.227	0.479	0.435
	0.036	0.002	0.114	0.160	0.484	0.439
EVAPOTRANSPIRATIO	N					
TOTALS	1.606	1.793	2.282	3.486	4.052	3.345
	1.426	1.672	2.608	1.890	1.047	1.372
STD. DEVIATIONS	0.511	0.618	1.155	1.147	1.937	1.575
	1.604	1.260	1.599	0.903	0.498	0.433
PERCOLATION/LEAKA	GE THROL	JGH LAYER	2			
TOTALS	0.1387	0.1267	0.1386	0.1289	0.1313	0.1252
	0.1276	0.1267	0.1238	0.1311	0.1331	0.1412
STD. DEVIATIONS	0.0085	0.0077	0.0079	0.0046	0.0048	0.0030
	0.0021	0.0020	0.0038	0.0060	0.0107	0.0102

AVERAGES OF MONTHLY AVERAGED DAILY HEADS (INCHES)

DAILY AVERAGE HEAD ON TOP OF LAYER 2

AVERAGES	11.3490	11.4876	11.3096	9.4588	8.8160	8.1637
	7.5660	7.2486	7.6918	8.7646	10.9644	12.2004
STD. DEVIATIONS	2.9043	2.6932	2.7051	1.6200	1.6438	1.0658
	0.7050	0.6928	1.3382	2.0507	3.7740	3.4772

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTALS & (STD. DEVIATIONS) FOR YEARS	1 THROUGH	30

	INCHES	CU. FEET	PERCENT
PRECIPITATION	29.07 (5.295)	25219999.4	100.00
RUNOFF	0.897 (1.2604)	778147.31	3.085
EVAPOTRANSPIRATION	26.581 (4.1938)	23060378.61	91.437
PERCOLATION/LEAKAGE THROUGH LAYER 2	1.57284 (0.03448)	1364518.882	5.41046
AVERAGE HEAD ON TOP OF LAYER 2	9.585 (0.993)		
CHANGE IN WATER STORAGE	0.020 (1.5657)	16954.96	0.067

	PEAK DAILY VALUES FOR YEARS	1	THROUGH	30	and their dates	s (DDDYYYY)
			(INCH	ES)	(CU. FT.)	
	PRECIPITATION		4.8	31	4172920.74555	3000022
	RUNOFF		1.7	'12	1485425.06702	3590006
	PERCOLATION/LEAKAGE THROUGH LAYER	2	0.00	5102	4426.00674	1060024
	AVERAGE HEAD ON TOP OF LAYER 2		17.9	94		
	SNOW WATER		2.0	09	1813136.5823	240014
	MAXIMUM VEG. SOIL WATER (VOL/VOL)		0.45	530		
	MINIMUM VEG. SOIL WATER (VOL/VOL)		0.08	50		
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FINAL WATER STORAGE AT END OF YEAR 3	0

LAYER	(INCHES)	(VOL/VOL)
1	6.1800	0.3433
2	16.2360	0.4510
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SNOW WAT	ER 0.000	

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TIME: 15: 4 DATE: 9/8/2016

TITLE: ADA II Option 2 - LLDPE Cap

NOTE: INITIAL MOISTURE CONTENT OF THE LAYERS AND SNOW WATER WERE COMPUTED AS NEARLY STEADY-STATE VALUES BY THE PROGRAM.

LAYER 1

TYPE 1 - VERTICAL PERCOLATION LAYER

MATERIAL TEXTURE NUMBER 6
THICKNESS = 45.72 CM

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POROSITY = 0.4530 VOL/VOL
FIELD CAPACITY = 0.1900 VOL/VOL
WILTING POINT = 0.0850 VOL/VOL
INITIAL SOIL WATER CONTENT = 0.1960 VOL/VOL

EFFECTIVE SAT. HYD. COND. = 0.720001612800E-03 CM/SEC NOTE: SATURATED HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY IS MULTIPLIED BY 5.00 FOR ROOT CHANNELS IN TOP HALF OF EVAPORATIVE ZONE.

LAYER 2

TYPE 2 - LATERAL DRAINAGE LAYER MATERIAL TEXTURE NUMBER 20

THICKNESS = 0.50 CM

POROSITY = 0.8500 VOL/VOL

FIELD CAPACITY = 0.0100 VOL/VOL

WILTING POINT = 0.0050 VOL/VOL

INITIAL SOIL WATER CONTENT = 0.1356 VOL/VOL

EFFECTIVE SAT. HYD. COND. = 10.0000000000 CM/SEC

SLOPE = 3.70 PERCENT DRAINAGE LENGTH = 409.0 METERS

LAYER 3

TYPE 4 - FLEXIBLE MEMBRANE LINER MATERIAL TEXTURE NUMBER 36

THICKNESS 0.10 CM **POROSITY** 0.0000 VOL/VOL FIELD CAPACITY 0.0000 VOL/VOL = WILTING POINT 0.0000 VOL/VOL INITIAL SOIL WATER CONTENT = 0.0000 VOL/VOL

EFFECTIVE SAT. HYD. COND. = 0.4000000000E-12 CM/SEC 9.88 HOLES/HECTARE 9.88 HOLES/HECTARE FML PINHOLE DENSITY FML PINHOLE DENSITY = FML INSTALLATION DEFECTS =

FML PLACEMENT QUALITY = 3 - GOOD

LAYER 4

TYPE 1 - VERTICAL PERCOLATION LAYER MATERIAL TEXTURE NUMBER 30

THICKNESS 609.60 CM **POROSITY** 0.5410 VOL/VOL = FIELD CAPACITY = 0.1870 VOL/VOL WILTING POINT 0.0470 VOL/VOL INITIAL SOIL WATER CONTENT = 0.1870 VOL/VOL

EFFECTIVE SAT. HYD. COND. = 0.50000000000E-04 CM/SEC

GENERAL DESIGN AND EVAPORATIVE ZONE DATA

NOTE: SCS RUNOFF CURVE NUMBER WAS COMPUTED FROM DEFAULT

SOIL DATA BASE USING SOIL TEXTURE # 6 WITH A FAIR STAND OF GRASS, A SURFACE SLOPE OF 4.%

AND A SLOPE LENGTH OF 409. METERS.

SCS RUNOFF CURVE NUMBER 66.56

PERCENT FRACTION OF AREA ALLOWING RUNOFF = 100.0 96.7199 HECTARES AREA PROJECTED ON HORIZONTAL PLANE =

EVAPORATIVE ZONE DEPTH 25.4 CM INITIAL WATER IN EVAPORATIVE ZONE 4.018 CM UPPER LIMIT OF EVAPORATIVE STORAGE = 11.506 CM LOWER LIMIT OF EVAPORATIVE STORAGE = 2.159 CM INITIAL SNOW WATER 0.000 CM = INITIAL SNOW WATER = 0.000 CM INITIAL WATER IN LAYER MATERIALS = 123.024 CM TOTAL INITIAL WATER = 123.024 CM 123.024 CM TOTAL SUBSURFACE INFLOW 0.00 MM/YR

EVAPOTRANSPIRATION AND WEATHER DATA

NOTE: EVAPOTRANSPIRATION DATA WAS OBTAINED FROM Big Brown TX

STATION LATITUDE = 31.54 DEGREES MAXIMUM LEAF AREA INDEX = 4.50 START OF GROWING SEASON (JULIAN DATE) = END OF GROWING SEASON (JULIAN DATE) = 336 EVAPORATIVE ZONE DEPTH = 10.0 INCHES AVERAGE ANNUAL WIND SPEED = 11.30 MPH AVERAGE 1ST QUARTER RELATIVE HUMIDITY = 69.00 % AVERAGE 2ND QUARTER RELATIVE HUMIDITY = 69.00 % AVERAGE 3RD QUARTER RELATIVE HUMIDITY = 62.00 % AVERAGE 4TH QUARTER RELATIVE HUMIDITY = 69.00 %

NOTE: PRECIPITATION DATA WAS SYNTHETICALLY GENERATED USING COEFFICIENTS FOR Big Brown

NORMAL MEAN MONTHLY PRECIPITATION (INCHES)

JAN/JUL	FEB/AUG	MAR/SEP	APR/OCT	MAY/NOV	JUN/DEC
1.69	2.04	1.99	3.79	4.73	2.58
1.78	1.95	3.18	3.06	2.24	1.92

NOTE: TEMPERATURE DATA WAS SYNTHETICALLY GENERATED USING COEFFICIENTS FOR Big Brown TX

NORMAL MEAN MONTHLY TEMPERATURE (DEGREES FAHRENHEIT)

JAN/JUL	FEB/AUG	MAR/SEP	APR/OCT	MAY/NOV	JUN/DEC
46.20	50.50	58.10	67.10	74.20	81.90
85.90	85.60	79.20	68.80	57.00	49.50

NOTE: SOLAR RADIATION DATA WAS SYNTHETICALLY GENERATED USING COEFFICIENTS FOR Big Brown TX
AND STATION LATITUDE = 31.85 DEGREES

HEAD #1: AVERAGE HEAD ON TOP OF LAYER 3

DRAIN #1: LATERAL DRAINAGE FROM LAYER 2 (RECIRCULATION AND COLLECTION)
LEAK #1: PERCOLATION OR LEAKAGE THROUGH LAYER 3

LEAK #2: PERCOLATION OR LEAKAGE THROUGH LAYER 4

AVERAGE MONTHLY VALUES IN INCHES FOR YEARS 1 THROUGH 30

	JAN/JUL FE	EB/AUG N	MAR/SEP	APR/OCT	MAY/NOV	JUN/DEC
PRECIPITATION						,
TOTALS	1.55 1.34	2.09 2.09	2.15 2.90	2.75 2.97	4.74 2.08	2.79 1.61
STD. DEVIATIONS	0.89 1.79	1.12 1.88	1.33 1.85	1.79 1.49	2.76 1.16	1.43 0.98
RUNOFF						
TOTALS	0.000 0.007	0.000 0.001	0.000 0.006	0.000 0.013	0.029 0.000	0.001 0.000
STD. DEVIATIONS	0.000 0.035	0.000 0.002	0.000 0.026	0.000 0.054	0.086 0.001	0.004 0.000
EVAPOTRANSPIRAT	ION					
TOTALS	1.288 1.181	1.580 1.553	1.899 2.166	2.358 1.823	3.328 1.148	2.688 1.370
STD. DEVIATIONS	0.567 1.309	0.620 1.097	1.040 1.256	1.049 0.900	1.436 0.573	1.156 0.514
LATERAL DRAINAGE	COLLECT	ED FROM	M LAYER	2		
TOTALS	0.2695 0.3299	0.5003 0.1985	0.4402 0.6360	0.4982 0.7866	0.9658 0.7085	
STD. DEVIATIONS	0.2505 0.5144	0.6552 0.4135	0.5913 0.8886	0.6169 0.7468		
PERCOLATION/LEAKAGE THROUGH LAYER 3						
TOTALS	0.0001 0.0006	0.0004 0.0004	0.0004 0.0016	0.0006 0.0019	0.0030 0.0012	
STD. DEVIATIONS	0.0001	0.0010	0.0011	0.0016	0.0053	0.0030

0.0023 0.0012 0.0035 0.0044 0.0026 0.0014

PERCOLATION/L	EAKAGE THRO	OUGH LA	YER 4		
TOTALS			0.0004 0.0013	 	

STD. DEVIATIONS 0.0002 0.0010 0.0011 0.0008 0.0021 0.0038 0.0044 0.0020 0.0027 0.0025 0.0025 0.0046

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AVERAGES OF MONTHLY AVERAGED DAILY HEADS (INCHES)

DAILY AVERAGE HEAD ON TOP OF LAYER 3

AVERAGES	0.0056 0.0590	0.0399 0.0365	0.00	0.00. =	0.2937 0.1176	0000
STD. DEVIATIONS		0.1099 0.1195				

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTALS & (STD. DEVIATIONS) FOR YEARS 1 THROUGH 30

	INCHES	CU. FEET	PERCENT
PRECIPITATION	29.07 (5.295)	25219999.4	100.00
RUNOFF	0.057 (0.1021)	49133.31	0.195
EVAPOTRANSPIRATION	22.382 (3.5403)	19417822.03	76.994
LATERAL DRAINAGE COLLECT FROM LAYER 2	ED 6.64372 (2.25812)	5763770.551	22.85397
PERCOLATION/LEAKAGE THRO	DUGH 0.01238 (0.009	37) 10737.661	0.04258
AVERAGE HEAD ON TOP OF LAYER 3	0.099 (0.079)	M.	

PERCOLATION/LEAKAGE THROUGH 0.01238 (0.00923) 10737.996 0.04258

LAYER 4

CHANGE IN WATER STORAGE -0.025 (0.8698) -21464.12 -0.085

	PEAK DAILY VALUES FOR YEARS	1 THROUGH 30	and their dates	(DDDYYYY)
-		(INCHES)	(CU. FT.)	
	PRECIPITATION	4.81	4172920.74555	3000022
	RUNOFF	0.281	243525.68683	3000022
	DRAINAGE COLLECTED FROM LAYER 2	0.30848	267619.71553	2980012
	PERCOLATION/LEAKAGE THROUGH LAYER 3	0.003653	3168.80340	2980012
	AVERAGE HEAD ON TOP OF LAYER 3	11.663		
	MAXIMUM HEAD ON TOP OF LAYER 3	21.136		
	LOCATION OF MAXIMUM HEAD IN LAYER 2 (DISTANCE FROM DRAIN)	124.4 FEET		
	PERCOLATION/LEAKAGE THROUGH LAYER 4	0.001414	1226.91363	1830019
	SNOW WATER	2.09	1813136.5823	240014

MINIMUM VEG. SOIL WATER (VOL/VOL)

0.0850

*** Maximum heads are computed using McEnroe's equations. ***

Reference: Maximum Saturated Depth over Landfill Liner by Bruce M. McEnroe, University of Kansas ASCE Journal of Environmental Engineering Vol. 119, No. 2, March 1993, pp. 262-270.

FINAL WATER STORAGE AT END OF YEAR 30

LAYER	(INCHES)	(VOL/VOL)
1	2.8050	0.1558
2	0.0077	0.0391
3	0.0000	0.0000
4	44.8798	0.1870
SNOW WATER	R 0.000	

APPENDIX C CAP/COVER SYSTEM SLOPE STABILITY MODEL OUTPUT

September 30, 2016

Mr. Pat Behling Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC 2201 Double Creek Dr., Suite 4004 Round Rock, TX 78664

Re: Evaluation of Landfill Cap Slope Stability, Ash Disposal Area II – Big Brown Steam Electric Station, near Fairfield, Texas

Dear Mr. Behling:

As requested by Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC (PBW), Bullock, Bennett & Associates, LLC (BBA) has completed evaluation of slope-stability of the proposed cap for the Ash Disposal Area II landfill at the Big Brown Steam Electric Station (BBSES) located near Fairfield, Texas. This analysis is based on the most recent preliminary design drawings dated August 2016, provided to BBA by PBW. No site specific geotechnical data was provided to BBA for this analysis, therefore, assumptions regarding typical soil properties and interface friction angles are made in this evaluation. It is recommended that site-specific soils and proposed synthetic materials be tested for engineering strength properties, and slope stability analysis using the on-site data and final design criteria be completed prior to construction activities.

The PBW design includes options for two different cap configurations, one including synthetic components and the other including use of a compacted clay liner system. Each system has been evaluated, as further discussed below.

Stability Analysis of Synthetic Cap Components

This stability analysis includes evaluation of veneer cover soils and synthetics on 4(H):1(V) slopes, assuming the following cap configuration (from bottom to top):

- Compacted clay subgrade;
- Textured (both sides) flexible membrane liner (FML);
- Double-sided (geotextile on both sides) geonet drainage layer; and,
- 1.5 foot-thick cover soils.

Soil slopes of 4(H):1(V) typically are stable and do not require slope stability analysis; however, when placed as a thin veneer over a barrier such as a synthetic liner/lateral drainage layer, stability can be compromised if resisting forces along the material interfaces are not sufficient to prevent sliding. To evaluate these conditions for the proposed cap system described above, slope stability analysis was completed using limit equilibrium and a finite slope model. As discussed in the attached analysis, veneer cover soil slope stability is very sensitive to the interface friction angle of materials, while typical variance of soil properties such as unit weight and internal friction angle have considerably less effect on the analysis. Given the sensitivity to interface friction angle, this parameter was varied for analysis, while a generally representative soil unit weight and internal friction angle were used.

A range of interface friction angles from 19 to 27 were used to capture the range associated with

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proposed cap components, as shown in the attached Appendix Table 1 of the *Geosynthetics Research Institute, Direct Shear Database of Geosynthetic-to Geosynthetic and Geosynthetic-to-Soil Interfaces (Koerner, Narejo, June 14, 2005).* For conservative analysis, cohesion and adhesion values were assumed to be zero. A unit weight and internal friction angle of 115 pounds per cubic foot (pcf) and 15 degrees, respectively, were used for the soil and are generally representative of commonly available soils in Texas, including a wide range of silty, sandy, and lean to fat clays commonly used as cover soil.

Estimated factors of safety for this analysis range from approximately 1.4 to 2.0 for interface friction angles ranging from 19 to 27, respectively, with assumed cohesion and adhesion values of zero. See *Veneer Cover Soil Analysis of Synthetic Cap System* in Attachment 1 for calculations and further stated assumptions.

Slope Stability Analysis of Alternate Clay Cap

The alternate clay cap system consists of the following, bottom to top:

- 1.0 foot-thick subgrade soil;
- 3.0 foot-thick compacted clay liner; and,
- 1.5 foot-thick protective cover/vegetative soil.

This slope stability analysis includes evaluation of the clay cap system using Rocscience Slide 7.0 software. The Simplified Bishop and Morgenstern-Price methods of analysis were conducted on over 400 potential failure surfaces, with the lowest calculated safety factor reported. Slope stability evaluation of the cap was performed for assumed short- and long-term conditions. Site specific geotechnical test data is not available; therefore assumptions regarding soil strength properties (for each soil layer) were made as follows:

Short-Term Conditions:

Cohesion, C: 500 pcf Friction Angle: 0

Long-Term Conditions:

Cohesion, C: 250 pcf Friction Angle: 15

The unit weight of soil was assumed to be 115 pcf for each soil layer. Coal combustion residual (ash) material underlies the cap. It is assumed the ash is non-cohesive, well drained and has been in place for a long time prior to capping. For ash the following properties were assumed for both short and long-term cap analysis:

Dry Unit Weight of Ash: 90 pcf
Saturated Unit Weight of Ash: 95 pcf
Cohesion, C: 0 pcf
Friction Angle: 20 deg

The calculated factor of safety for the short- and long-term conditions were both determined to be approximately 1.5.

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Please find attached the landfill cap slope stability analysis and supporting notes, assumptions, and documentation, and please feel free to contact me at (512) 355-9198 if you have any questions about this submittal, or if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

BBA, LLC

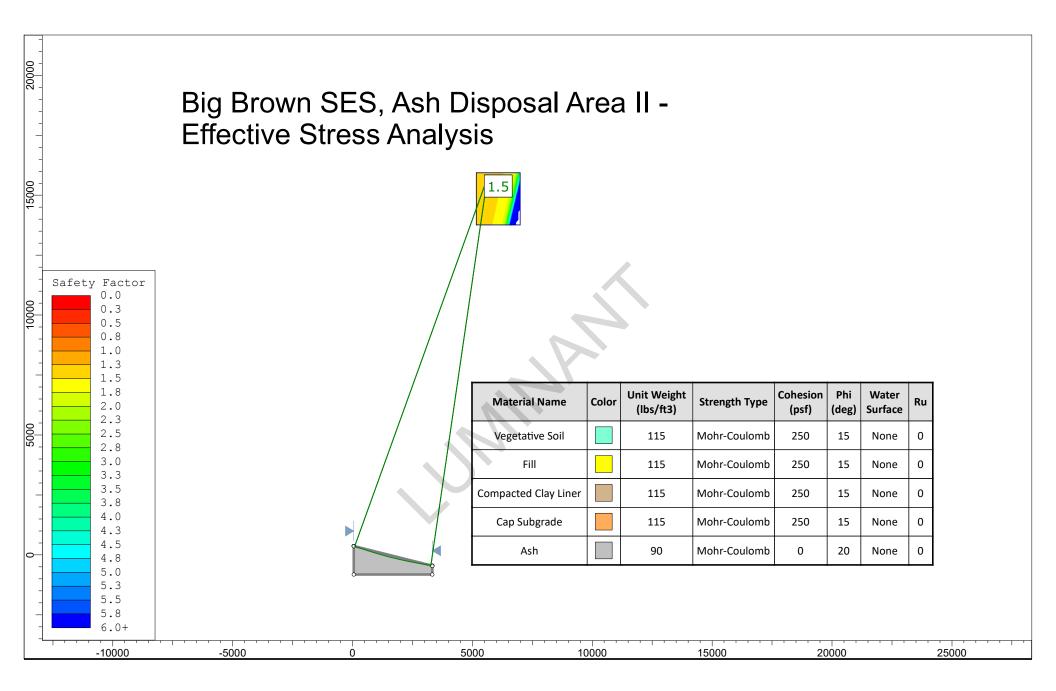
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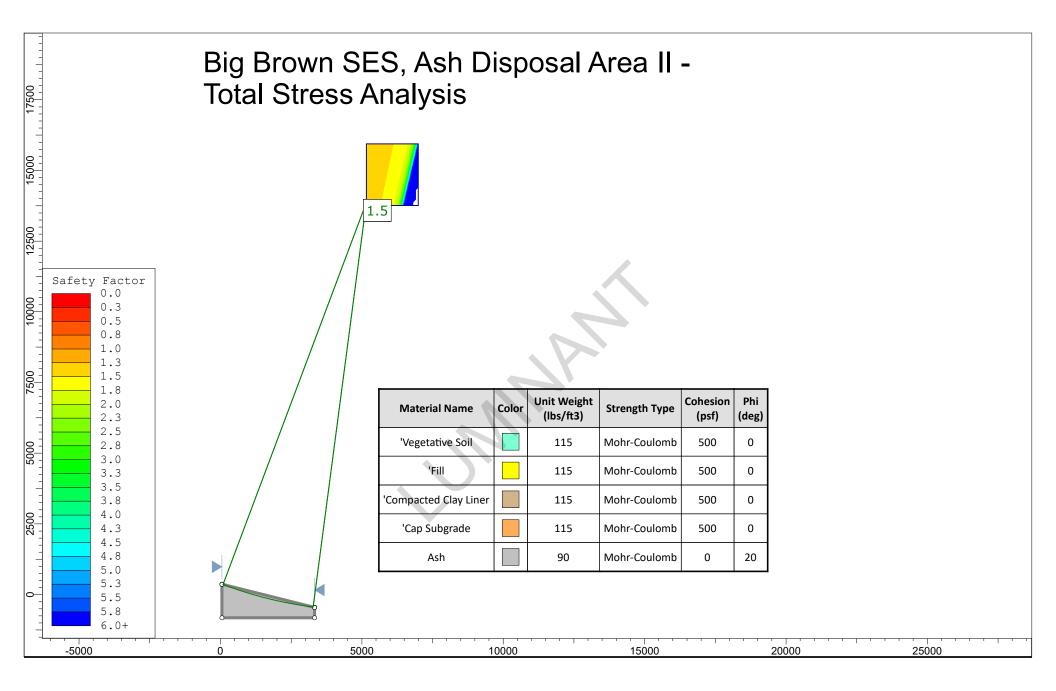
Attachments

ATTACHMENT 1

Landfill Cover Slope Stability Analysis

Slide 7.0 Analysis of Clay Cap



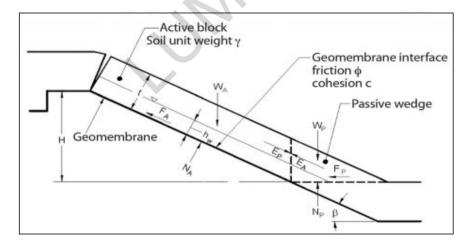




LANDFILL COVER SLOPE STABILITY ANALYSIS - ASH DISPOSAL AREA II Big Brown Steam Electric Station, near Fairfield, Texas

DEFINITION OF TERMS Total weight of active wedge Wa Total weight of passive wedge Wp Effective force normal to the failure plane of the active wedge Na Np Effective force normal to the failure plane of the passive wedge Unit weight of the cover soil Thickness of the cover soil h Length of slope measured along the geomembrane Τ В Soil slope angle beneath the geomembrane Phi Friction angle of the cover soil Delta Interface friction angle between cover soil and geomembrane Adhesive force between cover soil of the active wedge and the geomembrane Ca Adhesion between cover soil of the active wedge and the geomembrane ca С Cohesive force along the failure plane of the passive wedge Cohesion of the cover soil С Interwedge force acting on the active wedge from the passive wedge Ea Ер Interwedge force acting on the passive wedge from the active wedge, and FS Factor of safety against cover soil sliding on the geocomposite EQUATIONS: (Designing with Geosynthetics (4th Edition), Robert M. Koerner) $Wa = Yh^2(L/h - 1/sinB - tanB/2)$ (3.14)Na= WaCosB (3.15)Wp=Yh^2/Sin2B (3.17)a=(Wa-NaCosB)CosB b=-[(Wa-NaCosB)sinB*tanPhi+(NaTanDelta+Ca)SinBCosB+sinB(C+WpTanPhi)] c=(NaTanDelta+Ca)Sin^2BTanPhi

$$FS = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \tag{3.22}$$



FREE BODY DIAGRAM

LANDFILL COVER SLOPE STABILITY ANALYSIS - ASH DISPOSAL AREA II Big Brown Steam Electric Station, near Fairfield, Texas

	INPUT PARAMET	ERS:				
Delta	19	21	23	25	27	degrees
Y	115	115	115	115	115	pcf
Phi	15	15	15	15	15	degrees
h	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	feet
L	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	feet
В	14.04	14.04	14.04	14.04	14.04	degrees
Ca	0	0	0	0	0	
ca	0	0	0	0	0	
С	0	0	0	0	0	
С	0	0	0	0	0	
	CALCULATIONS:					
Wa	171,401.07	171,401.07	171,401.07	171,401.07	171,401.07	lb/ft
Wp	549.71	549.71	549.71	549.71	549.71	lb/ft
Na	166,280.74	166,280.74	166,280.74	166,280.74	166,280.74	lb/ft
а	9,796.73	9,796.73	9,796.73	9,796.73	9,796.73	
b	-14,166.57	-15,713.80	-17,303.09	-18,940.19	-20,631.50	
С	920.65	1,026.36	1,134.94	1,246.79	1,362.35	
FS	1.38	1.54	1.70	1.87	2.04	

NOTES/ASSUMPTIONS:

- Assumes cap system includes, from bottom to top: 1 foot compacted clay subgrade, 40 mil textured FML, double-sided geocomposite drainage layer (geotextile on both sides), and 1.5 feet of vegetative cover soil.
- Assumes slopes of 4(h):1(v) (14.04deg).
- Assumes solid waste is stable (stability of waste not evaluated).
- Dynamic loading associated with construction or operations equipment were not evaluated.
 Use of construction methods protective of the liner system are assumed.
- Assumes effective lateral drainage layer and drained cover soil conditions prevents excess pore water pressure.
- Assumes no landfill gas migration into cap components.
- Interface friction angles between geotextile and soil, and between FML and geotextile are considered.
 For conservative evaluation purposes, no contribution of material tensile strengths, adhesion, or cohesion are considered for increased stability.
- Sensitivity analysis indicates very little effect on FS with moderate (plus or minus 10 pcf) change in soil unit weight
 and soil friction angle (plus or minus 10 degrees) parameters, but is very sensitive to variation in interface friction angles
 therefore, 5 different interface friction angles (19, 21, 23, 25, and 27) were evaluated.
 Typical values for interface friction angle are provided in attachments. GRI30 Appendix Table 1 (Geosynthetics

Interfaces - Koerner, Narejo, June 14, 2005) is attached.

 Assumes cover soil of uniform thickness and constant unit weight. Unit weight of 115 pcf, and friction angle of 15 degrees assumed.

Research Institute, Direct Shear Database of Geosynthetic-to-Geosynthetic and Geosynthetic-to-Soil

- Due to lack of available on-site soil data, generalized soil engineering properties were assumed.
 A general range of synthetic material interface friction angles (with soil and other synthetic materials) were also assumed. Use of actual on-site soil materials and proposed synthetic materials for follow up laboratory testing and slope stability analysis is recommended prior to construction. Testing should include interface friction angle (and internal friction angle, as appropriate) measurements for all materials.
- Maximum slope length of less than 1000 feet measured from preliminary design drawings, 1000 feet was conservatively used in calculations.

ATTACHMENT 2

GRI30 – Appendix Table 1



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Direct Shear Database of Geosynthetic-to-Geosynthetic and Geosynthetic-to-Soil Interfaces

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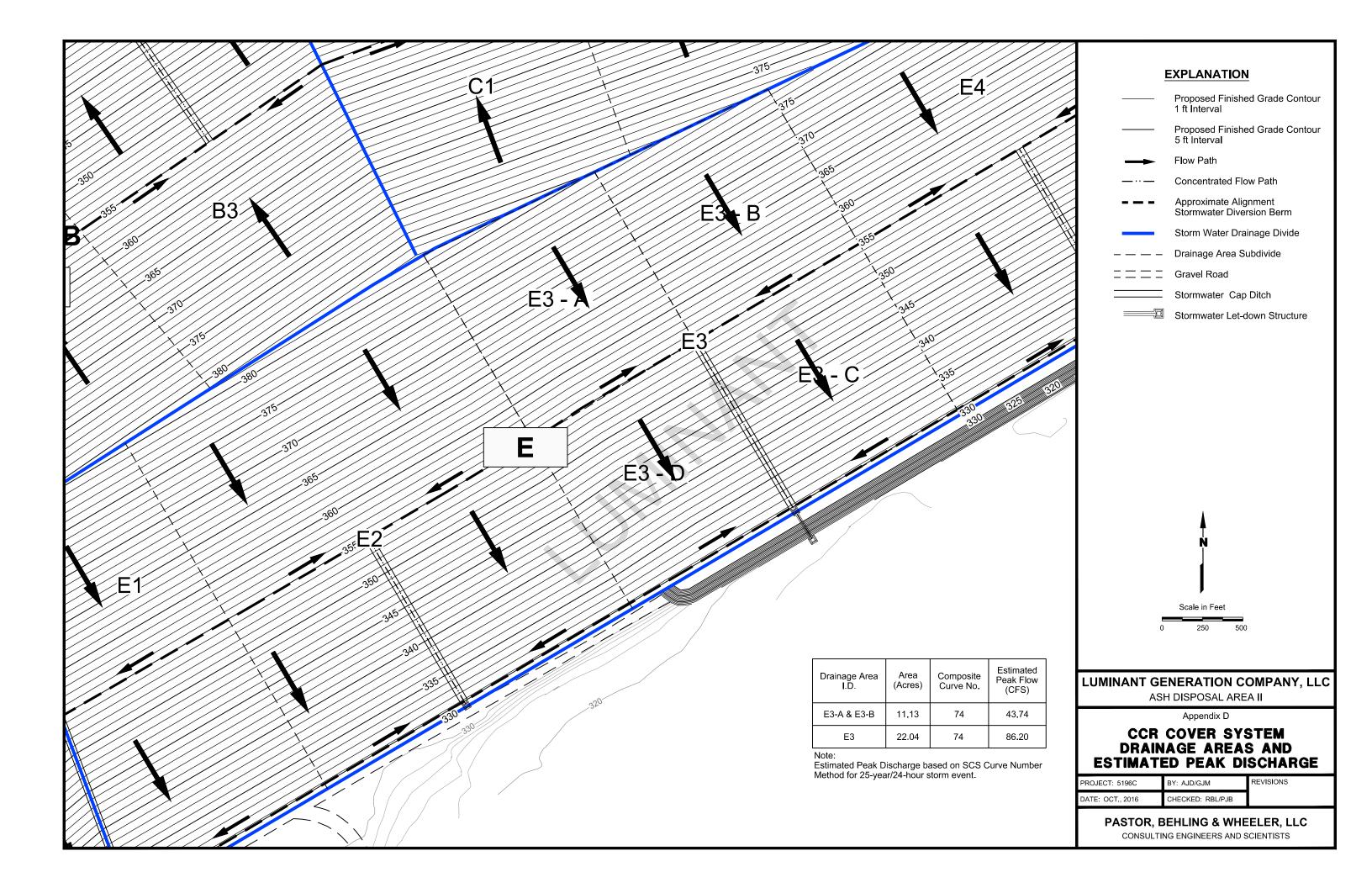
Appendix Table 1. Summary of interface shear strengths.

Interface 1*	Interface 2*	Peak Strength					Residual Strength				
		Fig. No.	δ (deg)	Ca (kPa)	Points	R ²	Fig. No.	δ (deg)	Ca (kPa)	Points	R ²
HDPE-S	Granular Soil	1a	21	0	162	0.93	1b	17	0	128	0.92
HDPE-S	Cohesive Soil	•				4 17					
	Saturated	1c	11	7	79	0.94	1d	11	0	59	0.95
	Unsaturated	1c	22	0	44	0.93	1d	18	0	32	0.93
HDPE-S	NW-NP GT	1e	11	0	149	0.93	1f	9	0	82	0.96
HDPE-S	Geonet	1g	11	0	196	0.90	1h	9	0	118	0.93
HDPE-S	Geocomposite	1i	15	0	36	0.97	1j	12	0	30	0.93
HDPE-T	Granular Soil	2a	34	0	251	0.98	2b	31	0	239	0.96
HDPE-T	Cohesive Soil										
	Saturated	2c	18	10	167	0.93	2d	16	0	150	0.90
	Unsaturated	2c	19	23	62	0.91	2d	22	0	35	0.93
HDPE-T	NW-NP GT	2e	25	8	254	0.96	2f	17	0	217	0.95
HDPE-T	Geonet	2g	13	0	31	0.99	2h	10	0	27	0.99
HDPE-T	Geocomposite	2i	26	0	168	0.95	2j	15	0	164	0.94
LLDPE-S	Granular Soil	3a	27	0	6	1.00	3b	24	0	9	1.00
LLDPE-S	Cohesive Soil	3c	. 11	12.4	12	0.94	3d	12	3.7	9	0.93
LLDPE-S	NW-NP GT	3e	10	0	23	0.63	3f	9	0	23	0.49
LLDPE-S	Geonet	3g	- 11	0	9	0.99	3h	10	0	9	1.00
LLDPE-T	Granular Soil	4a	26	7.7	12	0.95	4b	25	5.2	12	0.95
LLDPE-T	Cohesive Soil	4c	21	5.8	12	1.00	4d	13	7.0	9	0.98
LLDPE-T	NW-NP GT	4e	26	8.1	9	1.00	4f	17	9.5	9	0.96
LLDPE-T	Geonet	4g	15	3.6	6	0.97	4h	11	0	6	0.98
PVC-S	Granular Soil	5a	26	0.4	6	0.99	5b	19	0	6	0.99
PVC-S	Cohesive Soil	5c	22	0.9	11	0.88	5d	15	0	9	0.95
PVC-S	NW-NP GT	5e	20	0	89	0.91	5f	16	0	83	0.74
PVC-S	NW-HB GT	5g	18	0	3	1.00	5h	12	0.1	3	1.00
PVC-S	Woven GT	5i	17	0	6	0.54	5j	7	0	6	0.93
PVC-S	Geonet	5k	18	0.1	3	1.00	51	16	0.6	3	1.00

Appendix Table 1. (continued)

Interface 1*	Interface 2*	Peak Strength					Residual Strength				
		Fig.	δ	Ca	Points	R ²	Fig.	δ	Ca	Points	R^2
		No.	(deg)	(kPa)			No.	(deg)	(kPa)		
PVC-F	NW-NP GT	6a	27	0.2	26	0.95	6b	23	0	26	0.95
PVC-F	NW-HB GT	6c	30	0	8	0.97	6d	27	0	8	0.90
PVC-F	Woven GT	6e	15	0	6	0.78	6f	10	0	6	0.76
PVC-F	Geonet	6g	25	0	11	1.00	6h	19	0	11	0.99
PVC-F	Geocomposite	6i	27	1.1	5	1.00	6j	22	4.7	6	1.00
CSPE-R	Granular Soil	7a	36	0	3	1.00	7b	16	0	3	1.00
CSPE-R	Cohesive Soil	7c	31	5.7	6	0.71	7d	18	0	6	0.99
CSPE-R	NW-NP GT	7e	14	0	6	0.97	7f	10	0	6	0.98
CSPE-R	NW-HB GT	7g	21	0	3	1.00	7h	10	0	3	1.00
CSPE-R	Woven GT	7i	11	0	6	0.92	7j	11	0	3	1.00
CSPE-R	Geonet	7k	28	0	9	0.87	71	16	0	9	0.80
NW-NP GT	Granular Soil	8a	33	0	290	0.97	8b	33	0	117	0.96
NW-HB GT	Granular Soil	8c	28	0	6	0.99	8d	16	0	6	0.91
Woven GT	Granular Soil	8e	32	0	81	0.99	8f	29	0	28	0.98
NW-NP GT	Cohesive Soil	9a	30	5	79	0.96	9b	21	0	28	0.79
NW-HB GT	Cohesive Soil	9c	29	0.9	15	0.71	9d	10	0	15	0.83
Woven GT	Cohesive Soil	9e	29	0	34	0.94	9f	19	0	16	0.86
GCL Reinforced (internal)	N/A	10a	16	38	406	0.85	10b	6	12	182	0.91
GCL (NW-NP GT)	HDPE-T	11a	23	8	180	0.95	11b	13	0	157	0.90
GCL (W-SF GT)	HDPE-T	11c	18	11	196	0.96	11d	12	0	153	0.92
Geonet	NW-NP GT	12a	23	0	52	0.97	12b	16	0	32	0.97
Geocomposite (NW-NP GT)	Granular Soil	13a	27	14	14	0.86	13b	21	8	10	0.92

APPENDIX D STORMWATER HYDROLOGY CALCULATIONS



Summary of Peak Flow Estimate - SCC TR-55 Method

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SCS TR-55 Equation & Variables							
Qp= Qu*Area (miles2)* Q*Fp							
Q _p = Estimated Peak Discharge (cfs)	$Q = (P-I_a)^2/(P-I_a) + S$						
Q _u =Unit Peak Discharge (cfs/mile2-inch)	P= Design Storm Rainfall (inches)						
A= Area (square miles)	Ia=0.2S (Initial abstractions; inches)						
Q= Rainfall Excess (Depth of Runoff Over Watershed)	S= 100/CN-10						
F _p = Ponding Factor (% of ponds/swamps)	CN= SCS Curve Number						

Assumptions:

Hydrologic soil group C for the vegetative cover soil layer

Open Space (Good Condition (grass cover>75%) or Pasture, Grassland, or range - continuous forage for grazing - good hydrologic condition)

Rainfall Distribution Area III for Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Coast

Manning's Kinematic Solution (Overlap and Meadows, 1976) for Sheet Flow

Typical Drainage Area	Area (acres)	Area (mi²)	Composite Curve Number (Table 2- 2a or c)	P(25yr,24hr rainfall - Appendix B)	S=(1000/CN)-10 Eq	a	Q (Eq 2-1)	Ia/P (Fig 4- 1)	F_p (Table 4-2)
E3	22.04	0.0344	74	8.09	3.513513514	0.7027	5.006	0.0869	1

	(Sh	(Shallow Concen	trated Flo	w)			
Tt (hr) Eq 3-3	P2 (2-yr, 24- hr rainfall - Apdx B), in	L, ft	s (ft/ft)	n (Table 3-1 for Short Grass Prarie)	v (ft/sec) (Fig -3- 1)	L, ft	Tt (hr) L/(v*3600)
0.2098	5.4	300	0.0500	0.15	3.6	775	0.0598

Tc (hr) (Tt Sheet Flow+ Tt Shallow Concentrated Flow) (Eq 3-2)	qu (Exhibit 4- III)
0.27	500

Estimated Peak Flow (CFS) Q_p 86.20

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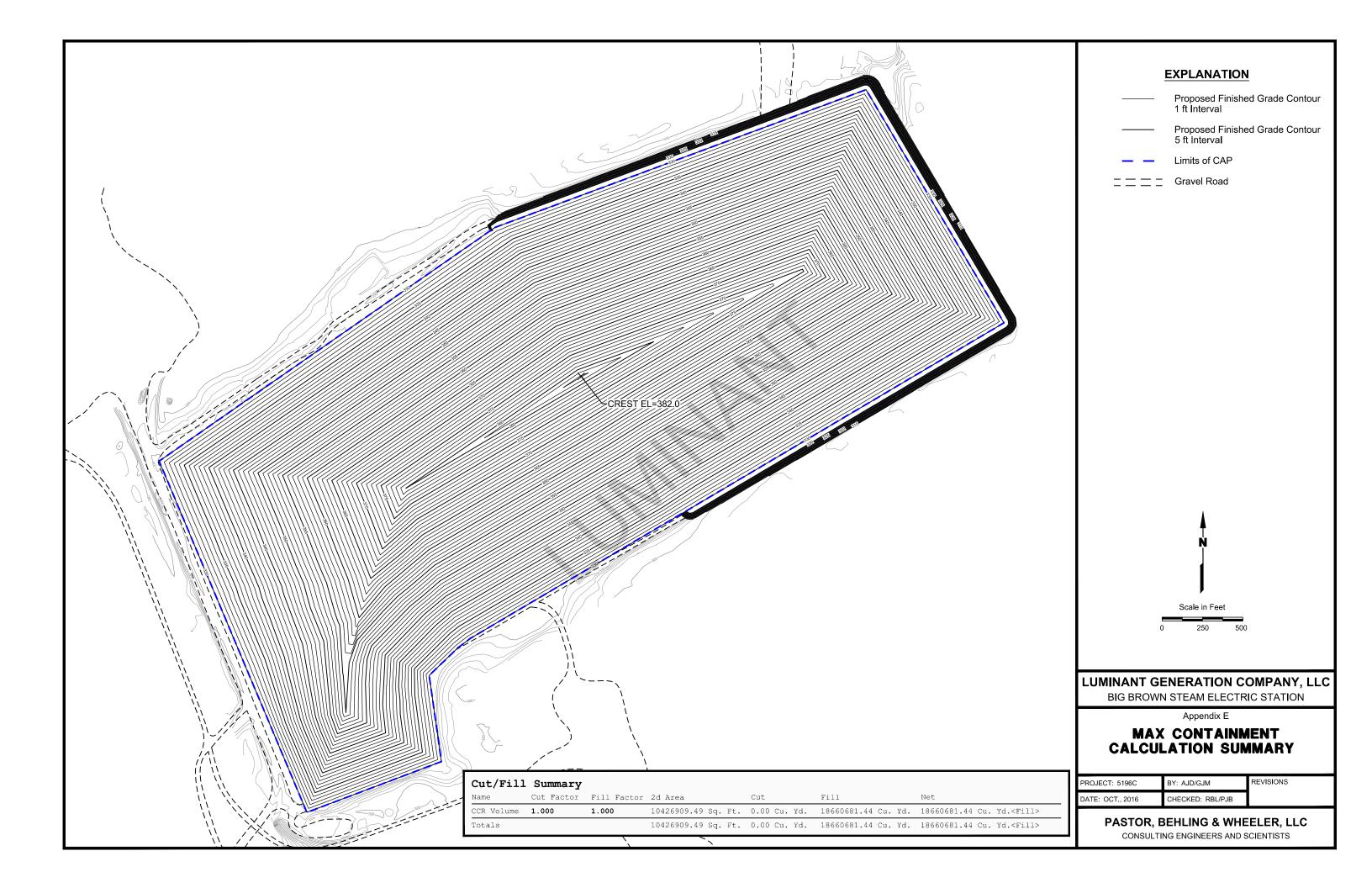
Typical Drainage Area	Area (acres)	Area (mi²)	Composite Curve Number (Table 2- 2a or c)	P(25yr,24hr rainfall - Appendix B)	S=(1000/CN)-10 Eq	l _a	Q (Eq 2-1)	Ia/P (Fig 4- 1)	F_p (Table 4-2)
E3A & E3B	11.18	0.0175	74	8.09	3.513513514	0.7027	5.006	0.0869	1

	(Sh	(Shallow Concentrated Flow)					
Tt (hr) Eq 3-3	P2 (2-yr, 24- hr rainfall - Apdx B), in	L, ft	s (ft/ft)	n (Table 3-1 for Short Grass Prarie)	v (ft/sec) (Fig -3- 1)	L, ft	Tt (hr) L/(v*3600)
0.2098	5.4	300	0.0500	0.15	3.6	775	0.0598

Tc (hr) (Tt Sheet Flow+ Tt Shallow Concentrated Flow) (Eq 3-2)	qu (Exhibit 4- III)
0.27	500

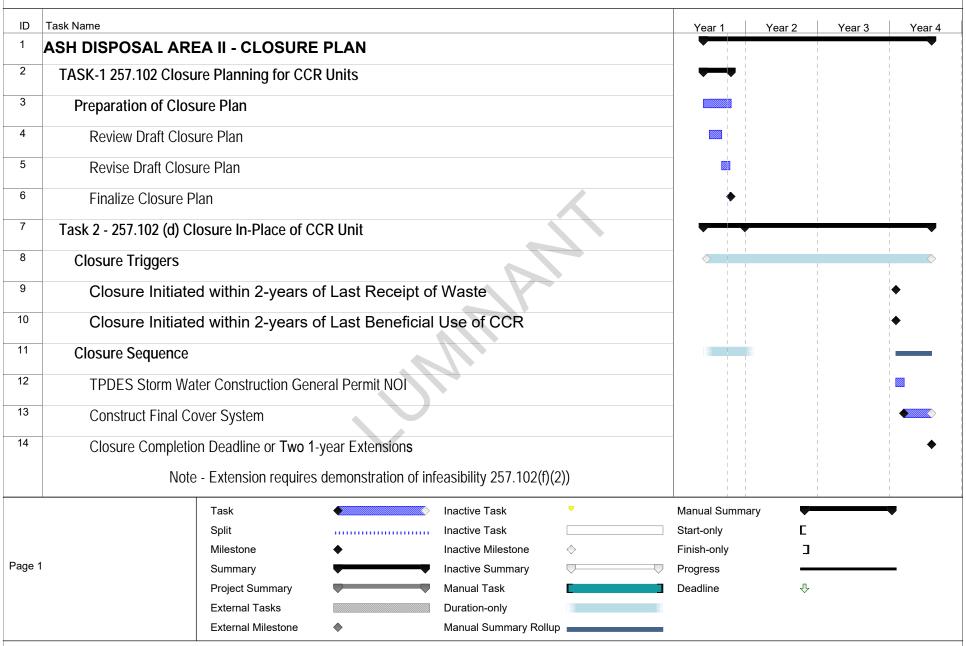
Estimated Peak Flow (CFS) Q_p

APPENDIX E CCR VOLUME AND AREA CALCULATIONS



APPENDIX F PROJECT SCHEDULE – CCR CLOSURE PROCESS

APPENDIX F PROJECT SCHEDULE - CCR UNIT CLOSURE PROCESS



Notes: Schedule does not include administrative/legal/receiver activities. Closure initiation will be determined in accordance with the CCR Rule and this timeline only illustrates the anticipated construction sequencing following closure initiation.