

ACIP Piles for Bridge Foundations

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APPLICATION OF ACIP AND DD PILES IN TRANSPORTATION MKT – ***MORE RECENT***

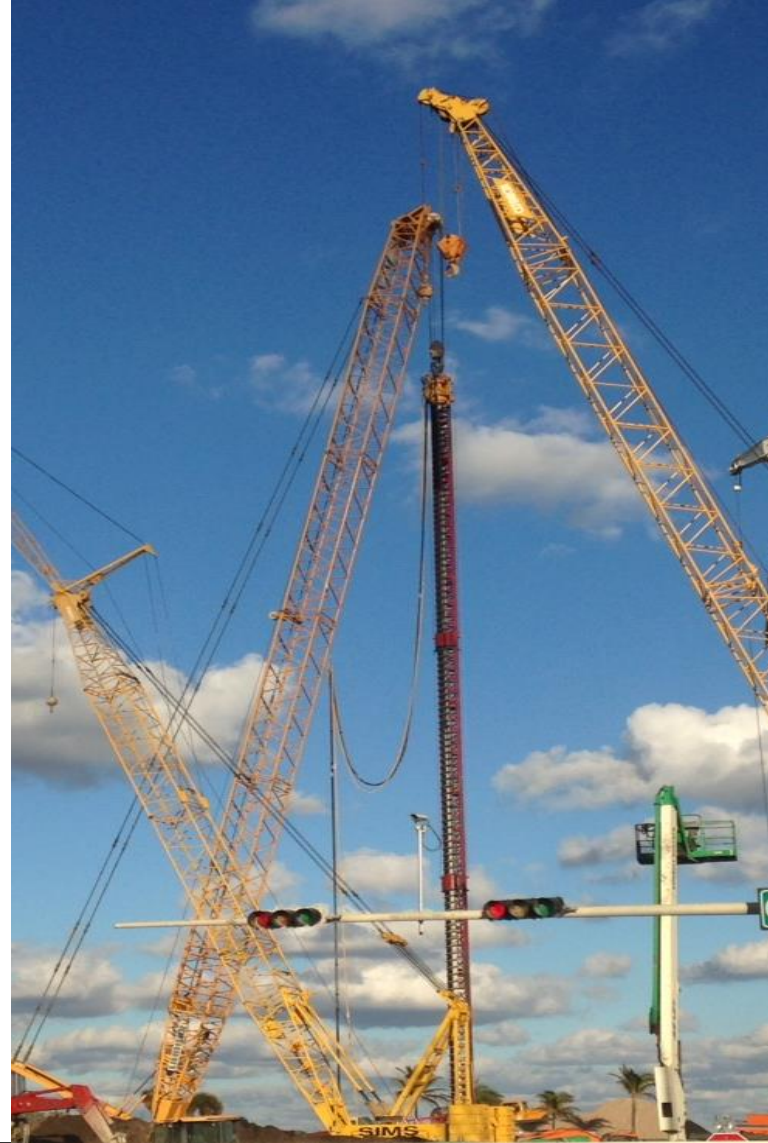
- Soundwalls in numerous states
- Excavation support (secant pile walls)
- Approximately 20 State DOT's & the FHWA Federal Lands Highway Dept. have approved CFA Piles on a project-specific basis
- FHWA's GEC #8 (April 2007) provides a technical guideline providing minimum recommendations for design & construction of CFA Piles
- Bridge Support To Date For FHWA/DOT's
 - I-135 in Salina, Kansas
 - I-135 in Wichita, Kansas
 - 153rd Street Bridge in Seattle, Washington
 - NC Highway 96S in Meadow, North Carolina
 - Guilford County Bridge in Greensboro, North Carolina
 - Krenek Bridge Site in Texas
 - State Highway 7 Bridge in Houston County, Texas
 - Bridge Widening at Ronald Reagan National Airport, Arlington, VA
 - Replacement Structure, District of Columbia

Also, augered grouted elements and displacement elements (Rigid Inclusions) have been used to support highway embankments, soundwalls, and MSE walls

Drilling Platforms



**Fixed Mast
CFA**



**Crane-
Supported**

**ACIP /
Augercast**

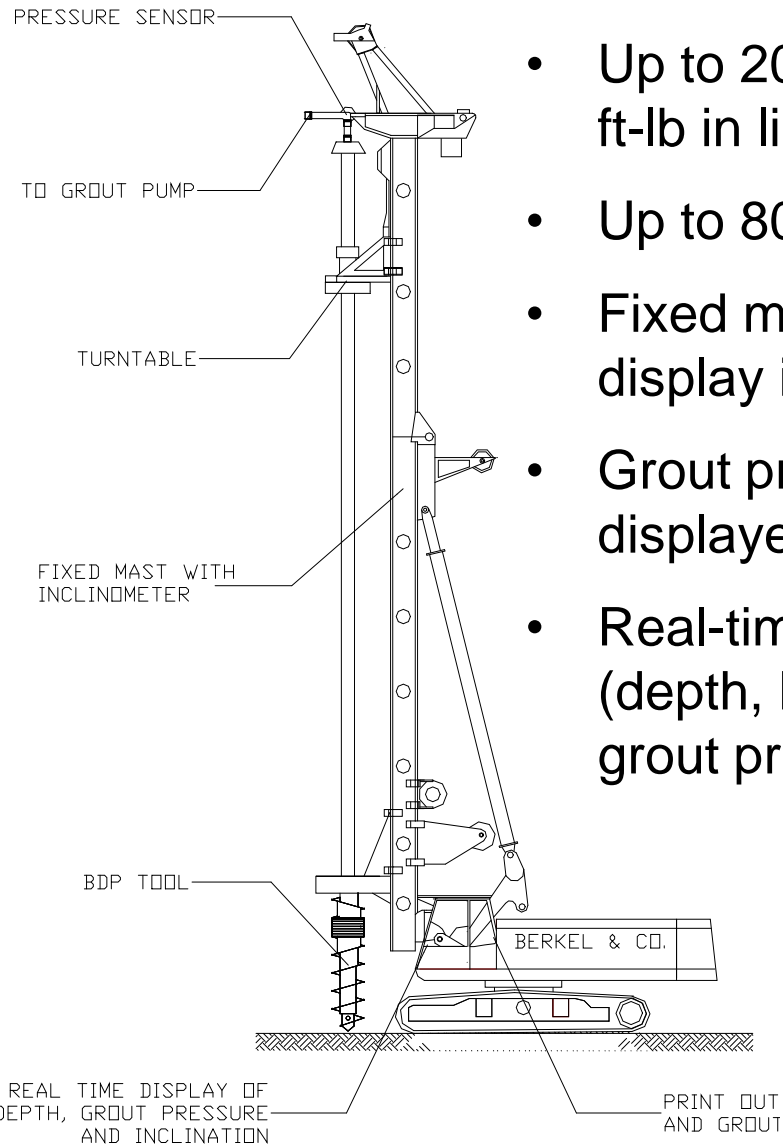
Augered Cast-In-Place Pile Manual

(Model Specification with Commentary)

**Both treated same
per DFI ACIP and
DD Pile Committee**



INSTALLATION PLATFORM

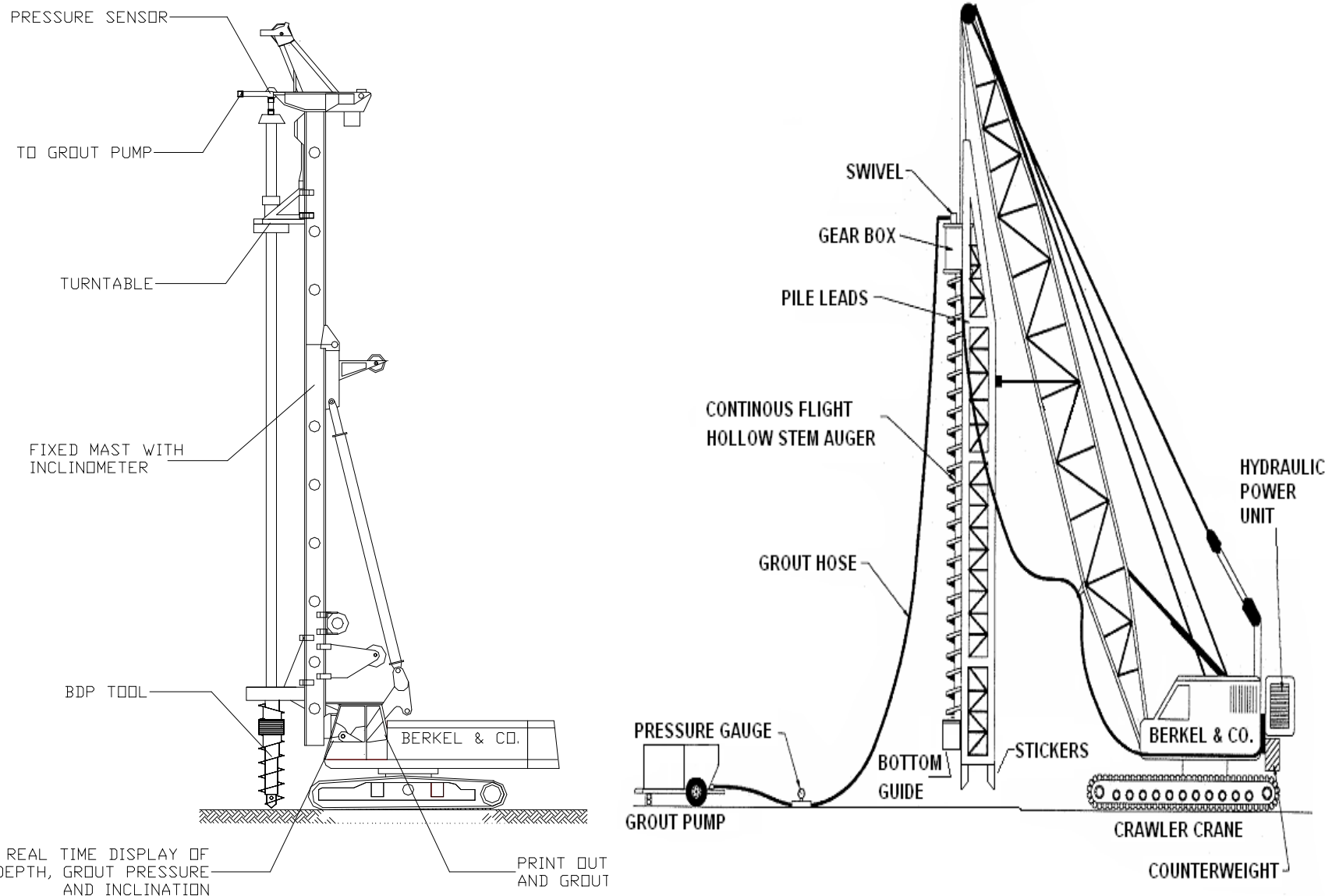


- Up to 200,000 ft-lb torque typical / 350,000 ft-lb in limited quantity
- Up to 80,000 lb crowd or more
- Fixed mast for stability, inclinometer with display in operator's compartment
- Grout pressure, measured at top of tools, is displayed in operator's compartment
- Real-time display of installation parameters (depth, KDK pressure, Installation Effort, grout pressure) pressure



Torques up to 200,000 ft-lbs
Weights up to 80,000 lbs (down force)

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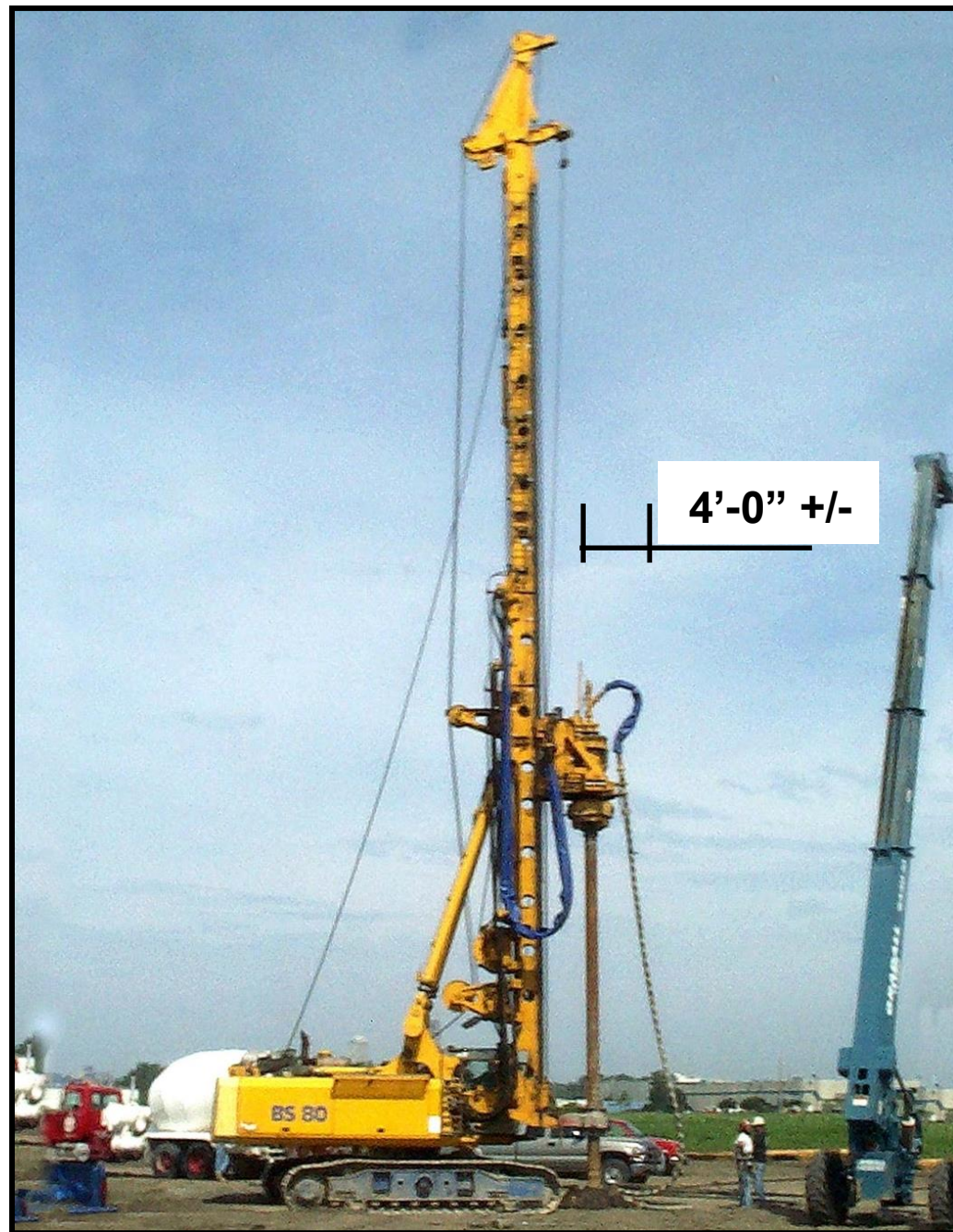
- Provides hydraulic power turns gearbox/tooling
- Horsepower up to 850 hp



Grout Pump

- Hydraulically operated, positive displacement piston-ball valve pump
- Pump pressures typically around 350 psi at pump outlet
- Stroke displacements typically range from about 0.4 to 1.7 cubic feet per stroke
- Grout hoses typically 2-3 in diameter
- Can pump grout several hundred feet
- Grout typically delivered by ready mix trucks





Fixed-Mast Platform



Crane-Mounted Platform

DFI TEST PROGRAM



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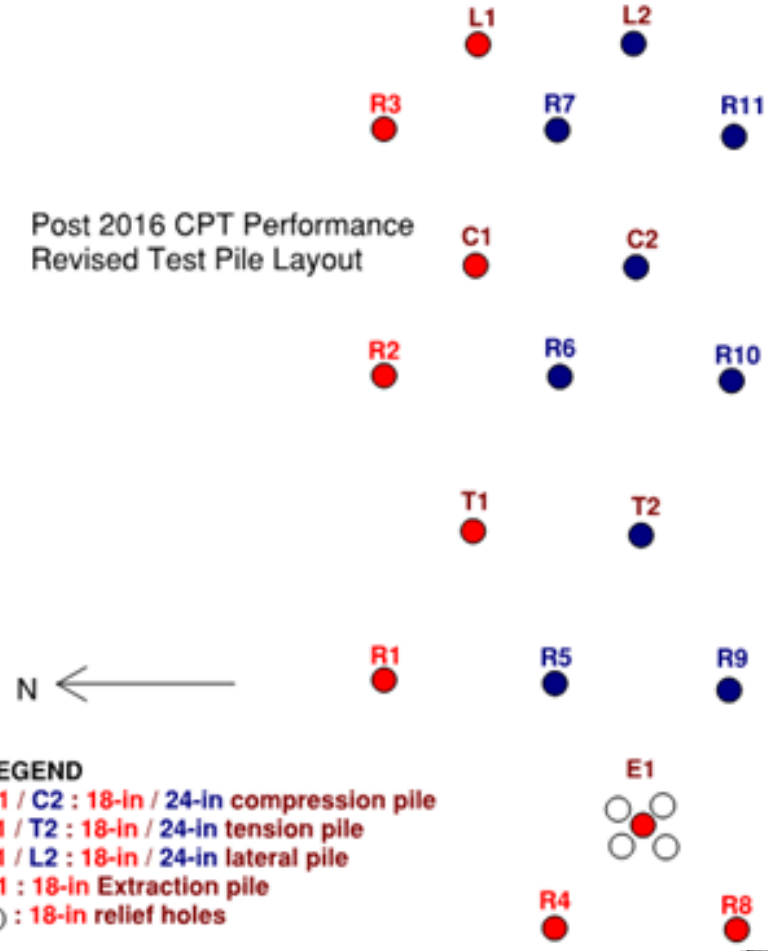
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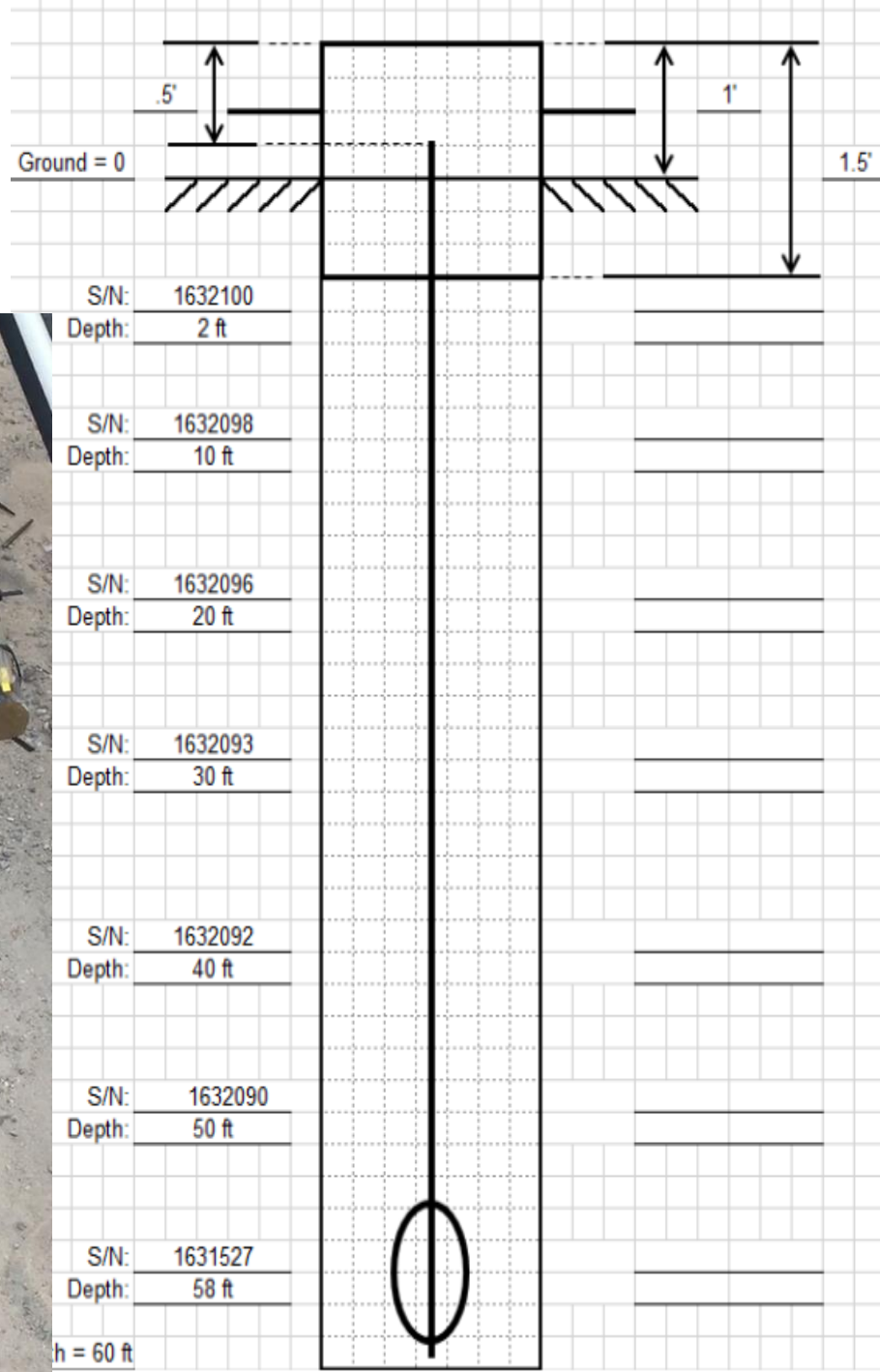


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Post 2016 CPT Performance
Revised Test Pile Layout

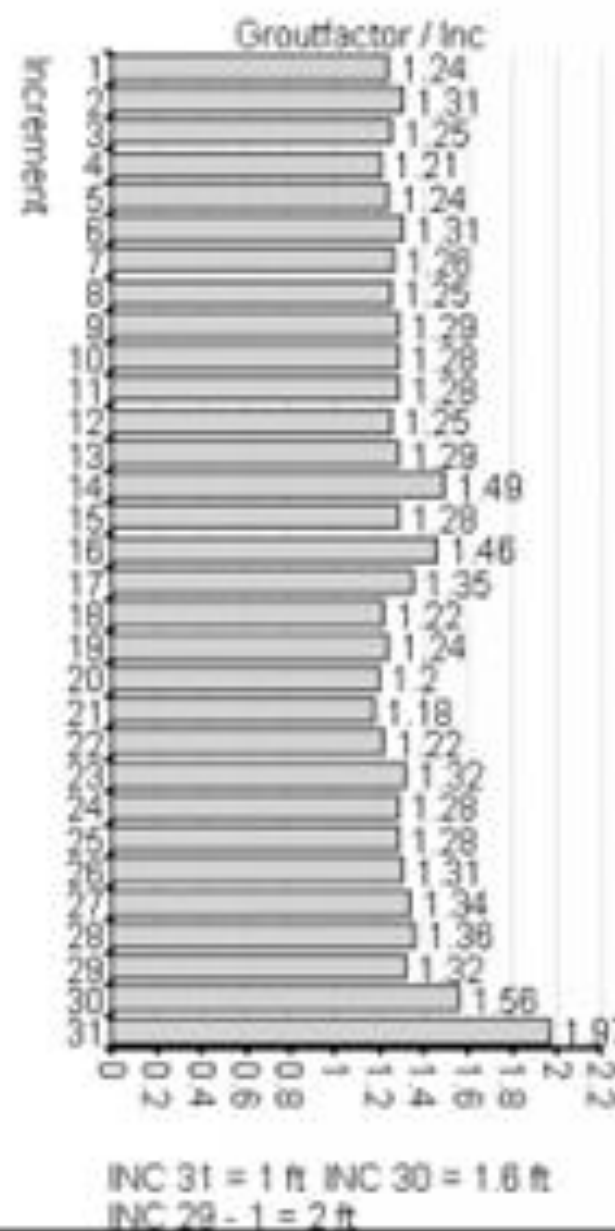
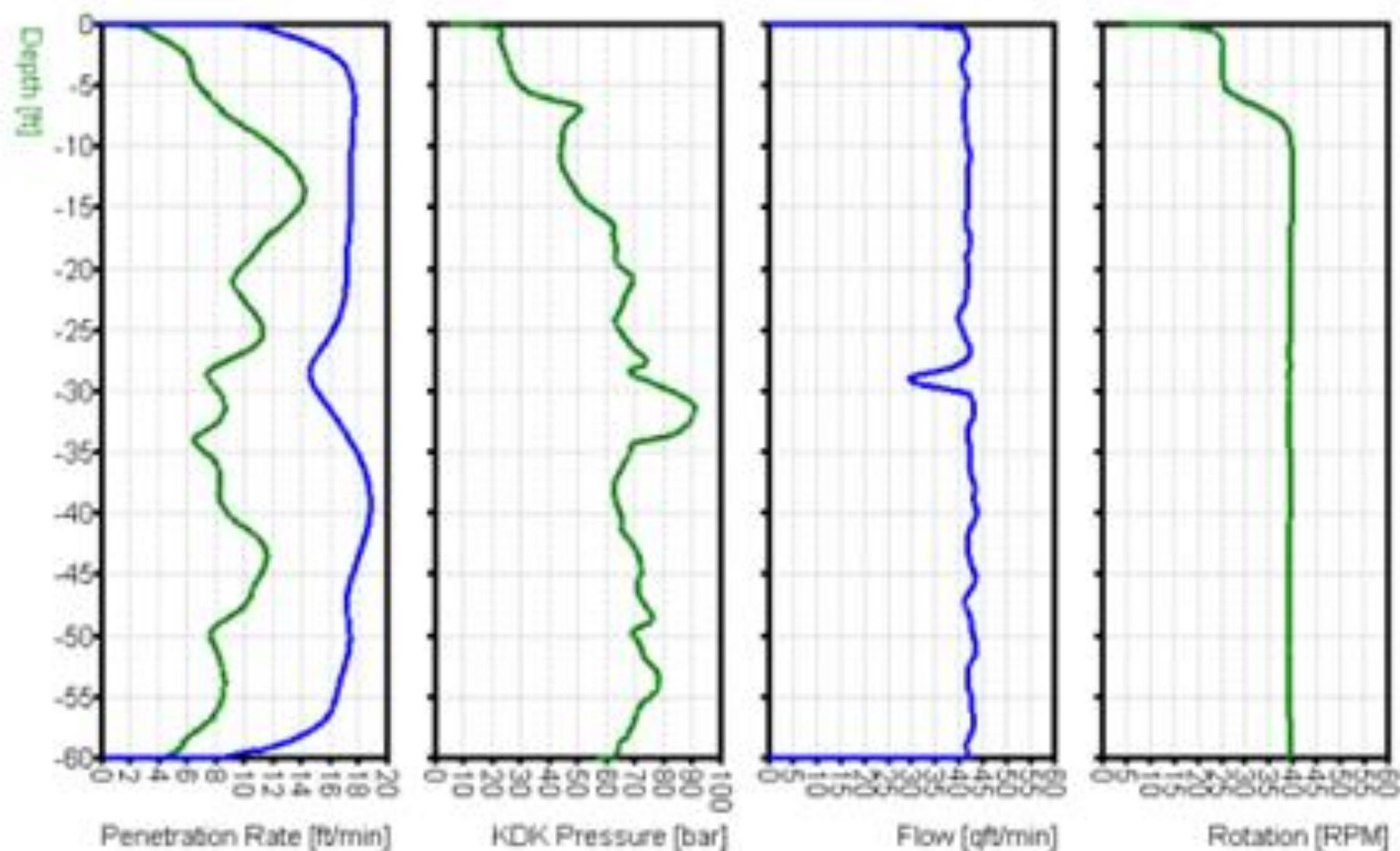


- LEGEND**
C1 / C2 : 18-in / 24-in compression pile
T1 / T2 : 18-in / 24-in tension pile
L1 / L2 : 18-in / 24-in lateral pile
E1 : 18-in Extraction pile
○ : 18-in relief holes

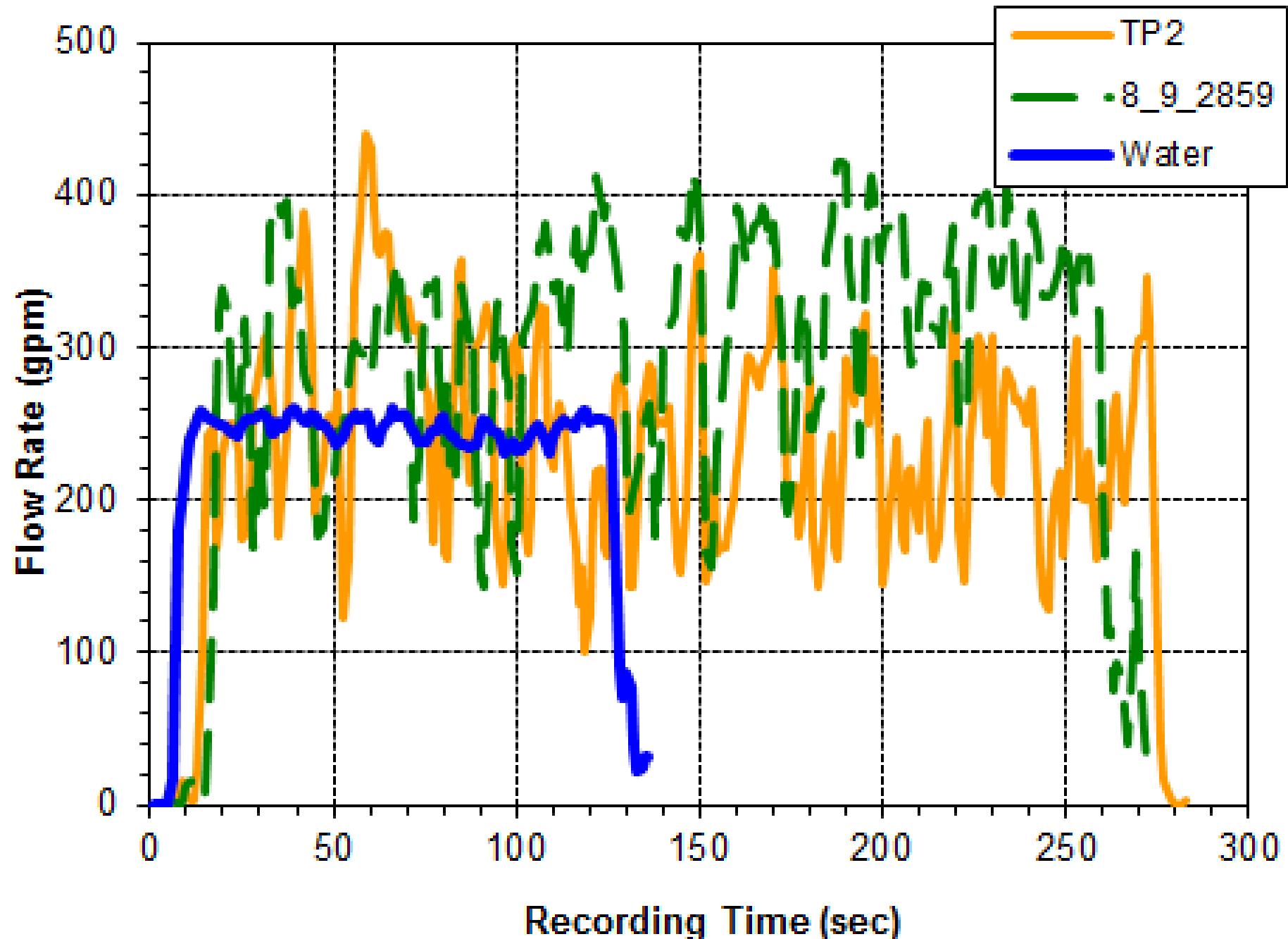


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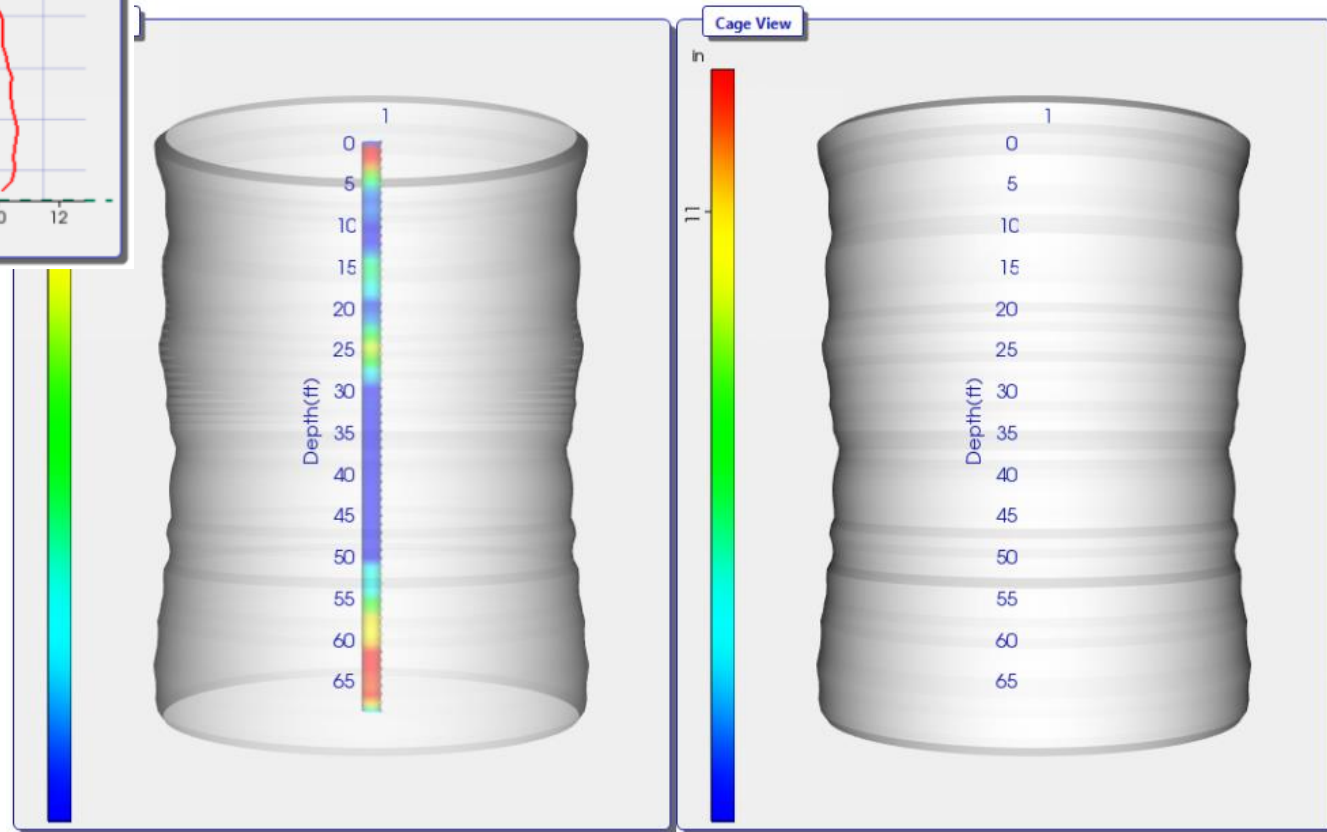
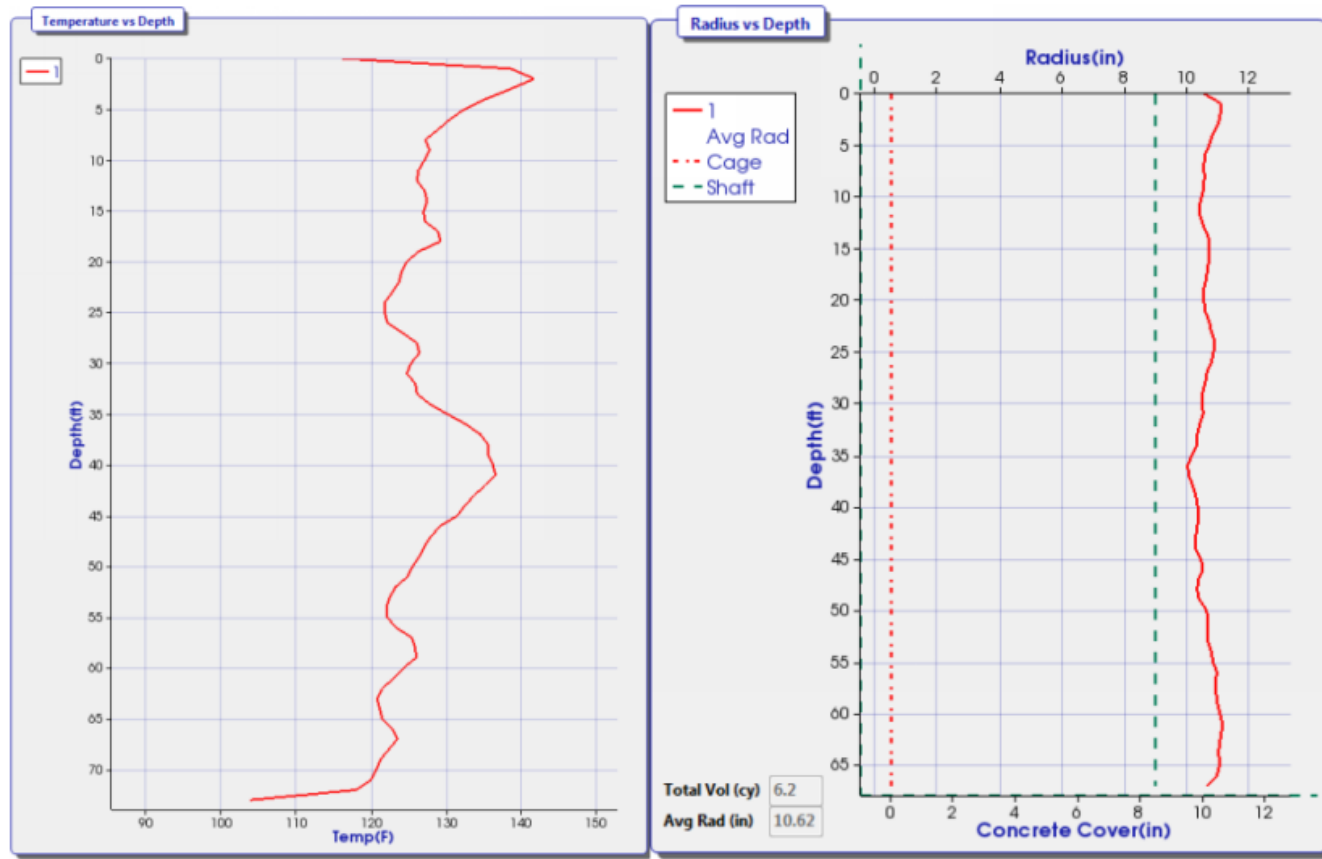
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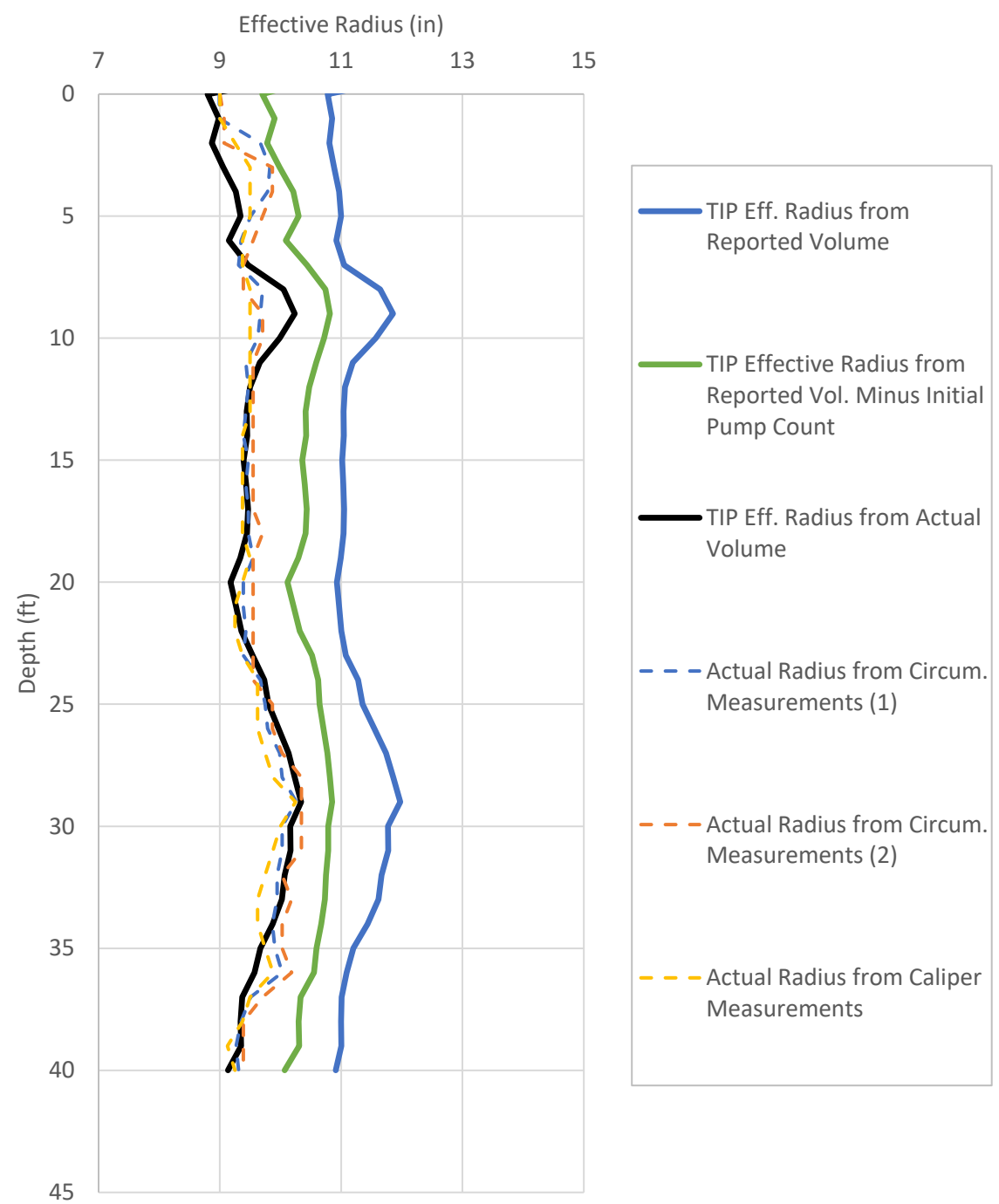
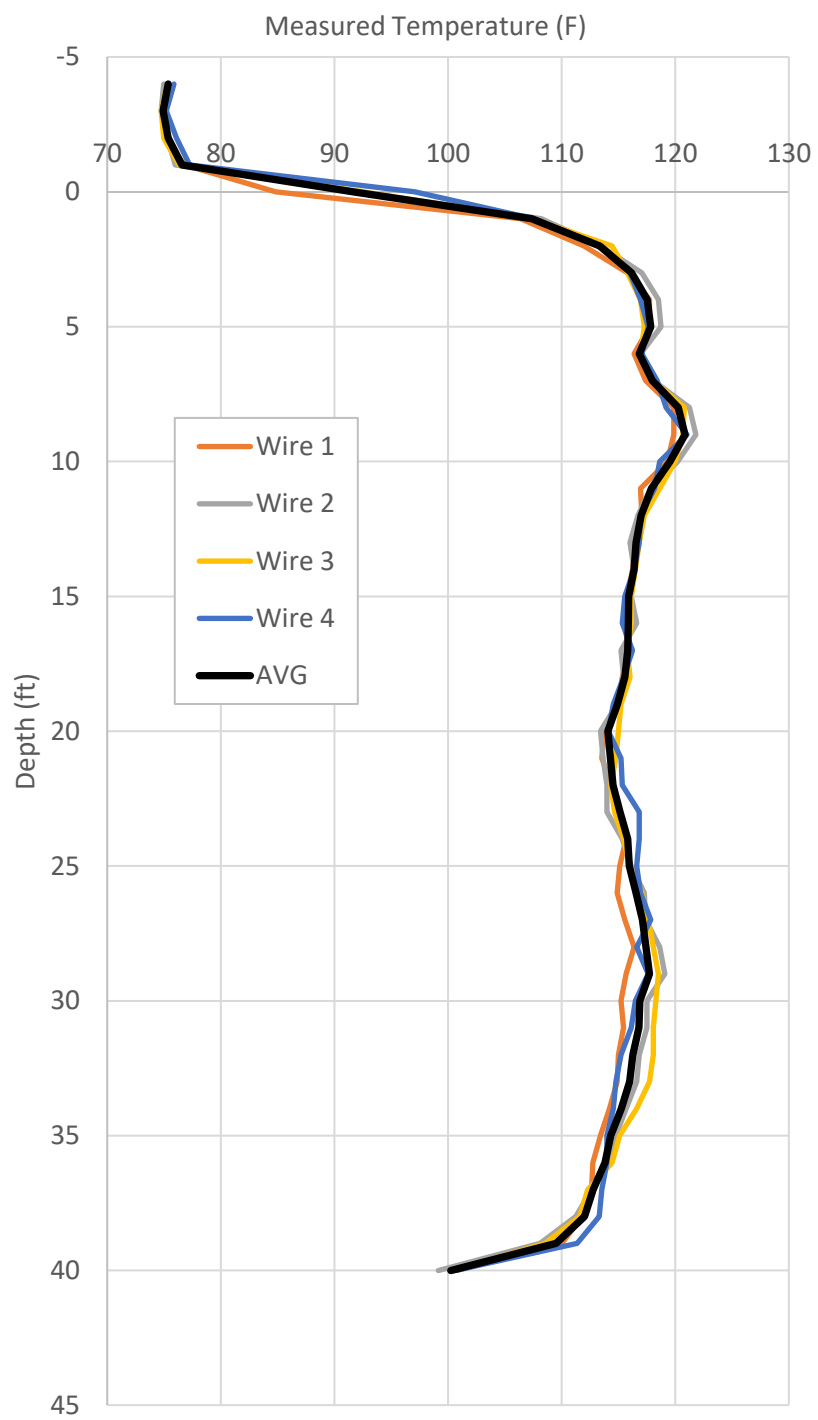


Flow Rate Variability



Thermal Integrity Profiling

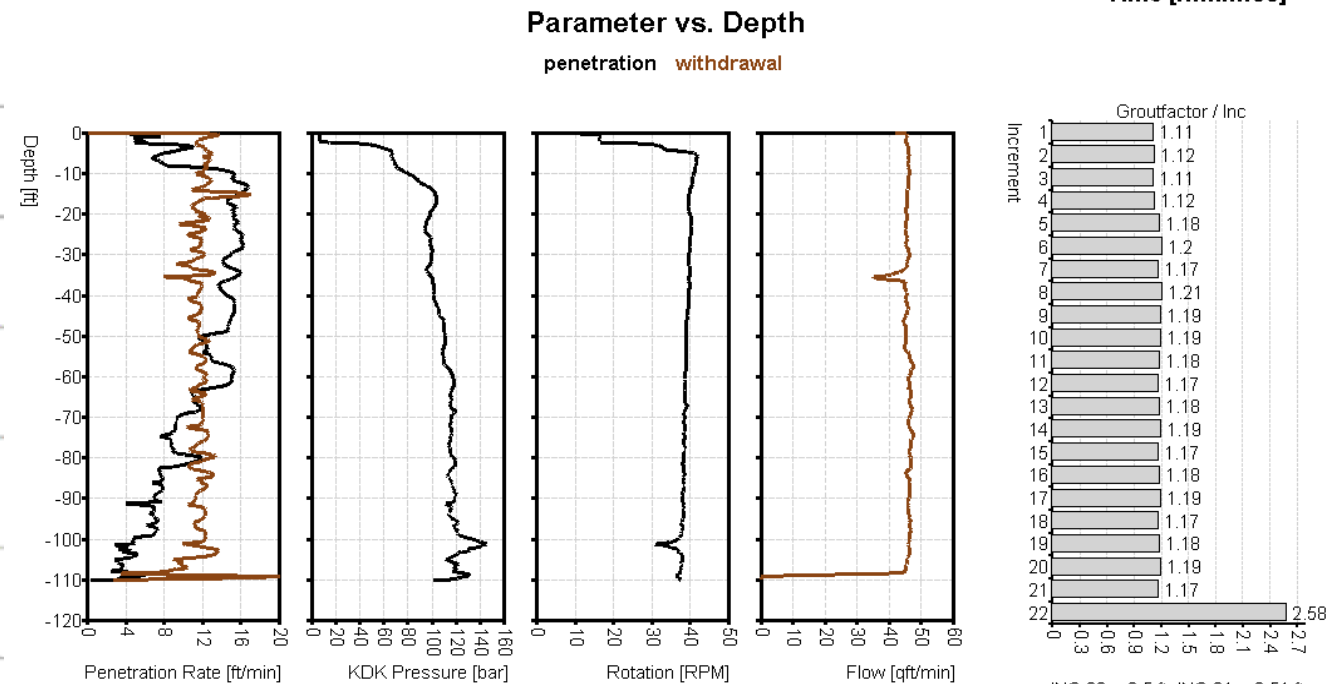
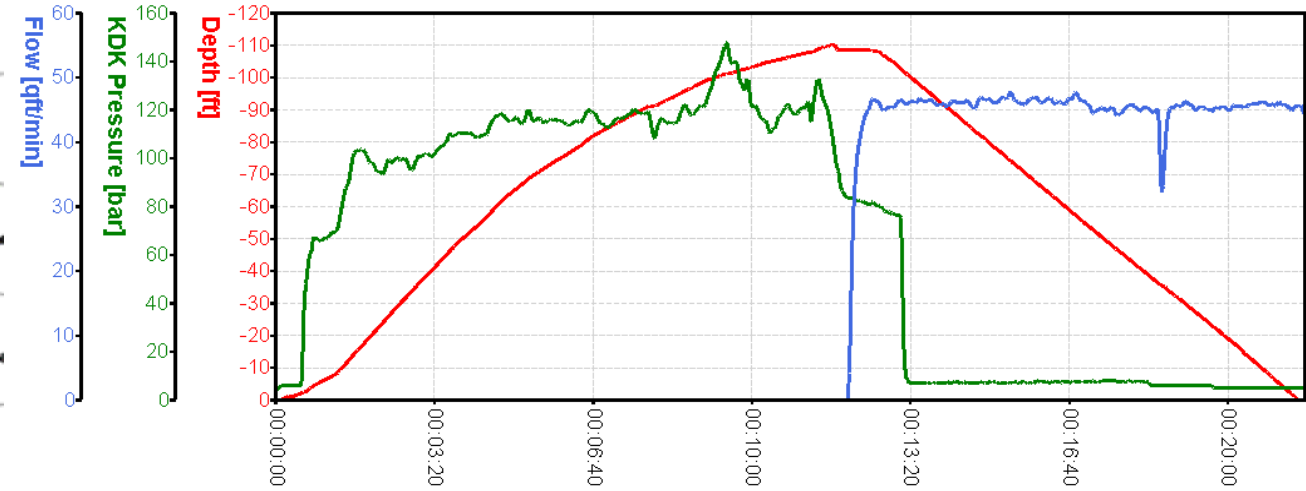






18" Extraction Pile			
Pile Increment (ft)	Circumference (in)	Diameter(in)	
1	57	18.1	
2	57	18.1	
3	62	19.7	
4	62	19.7	
5	61	19.4	
6	60	19.1	
7	59	18.8	
8	59	18.8	
9	61	19.4	True Pile Length 40-ft 4-in
10	61	19.4	
11	60	19.1	
12	60	19.1	Average Diameter (in) 19.4
13	60	19.1	
14	60	19.1	
15	60	19.1	
16	60	19.1	
17	60	19.1	
18	61	19.4	
19	60	19.1	
20	60	19.1	
21	60	19.1	
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23	60	19.1	
24	60	19.1	
25	62	19.7	
26	62	19.7	
27	63	20.1	
28	65	20.7	
29	65	20.7	
30	65	20.7	
31	65	20.7	
32	63	20.1	
33	64	20.4	
34	63	20.1	
35	63	20.1	
36	64	20.4	
37	61	19.4	
38	59	18.8	
39	59	18.8	
40	59	18.8	

A large crawler crane is shown in the process of lifting a tall, vertical lattice boom structure. The crane is positioned on a dirt construction site, and the structure being lifted is a tall, narrow tower. The background shows a clear sky and some distant trees.

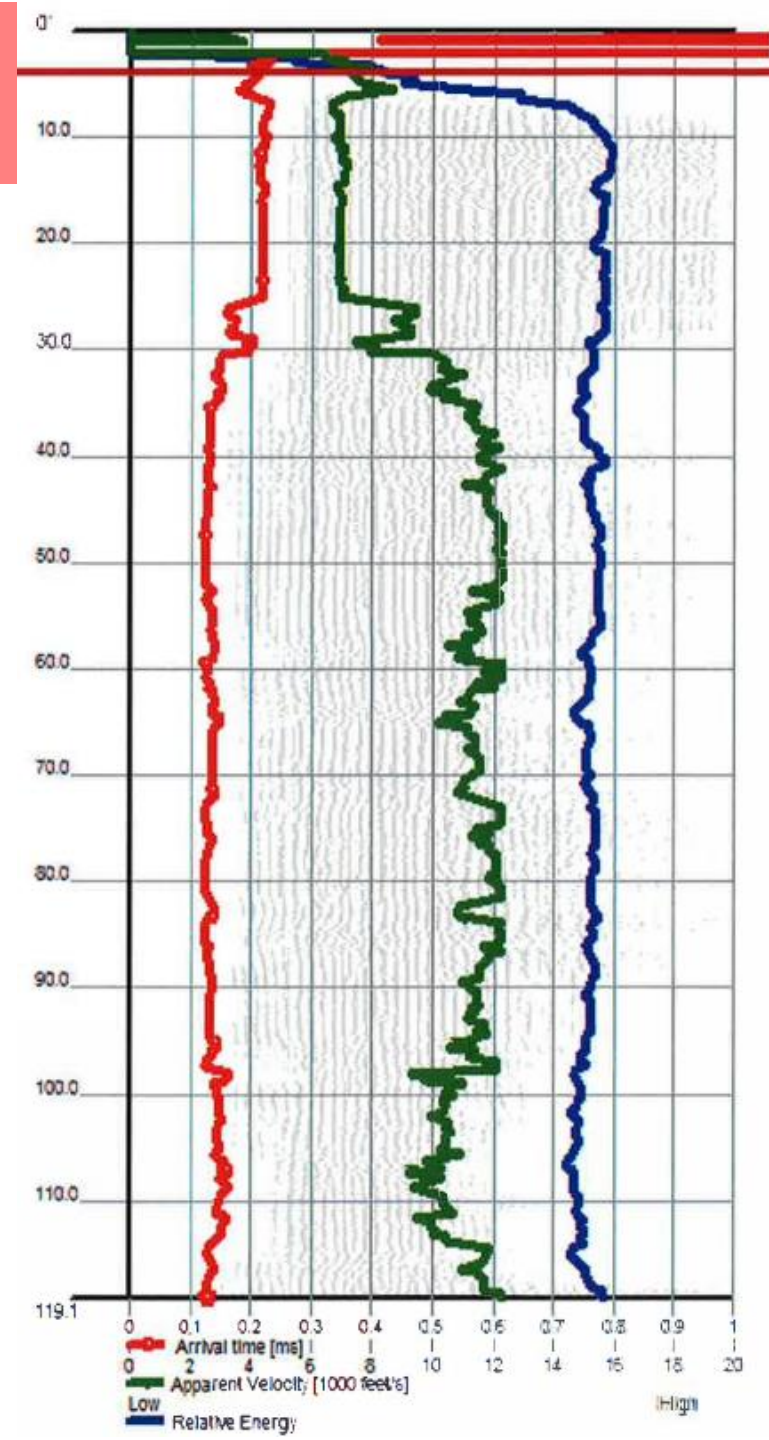
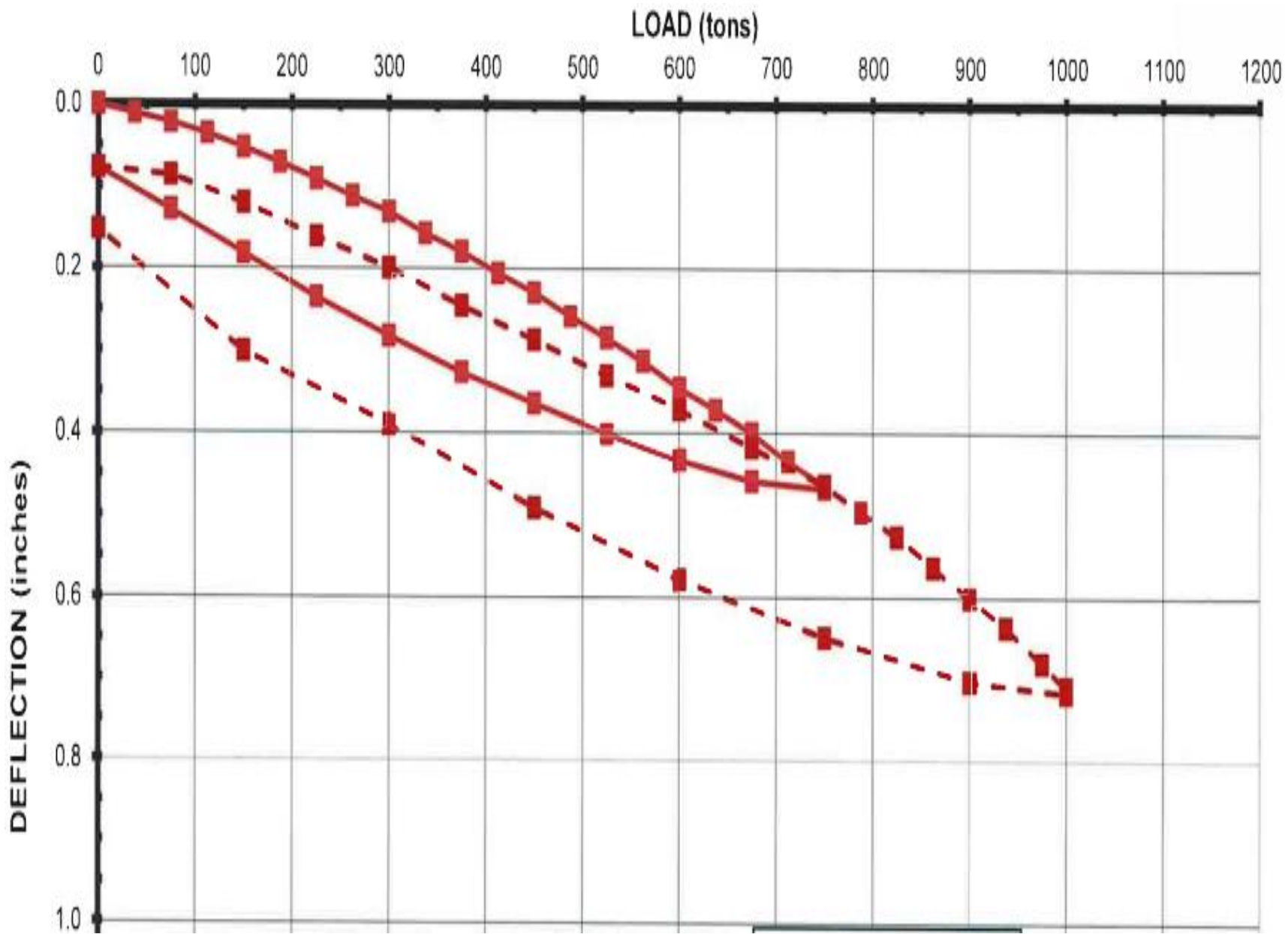


INC 22 = 2.5 ft INC 21 = 2.51 ft
INC 20 - 1 = 5 ft

NSP – MLK Bridge – Atlanta GA

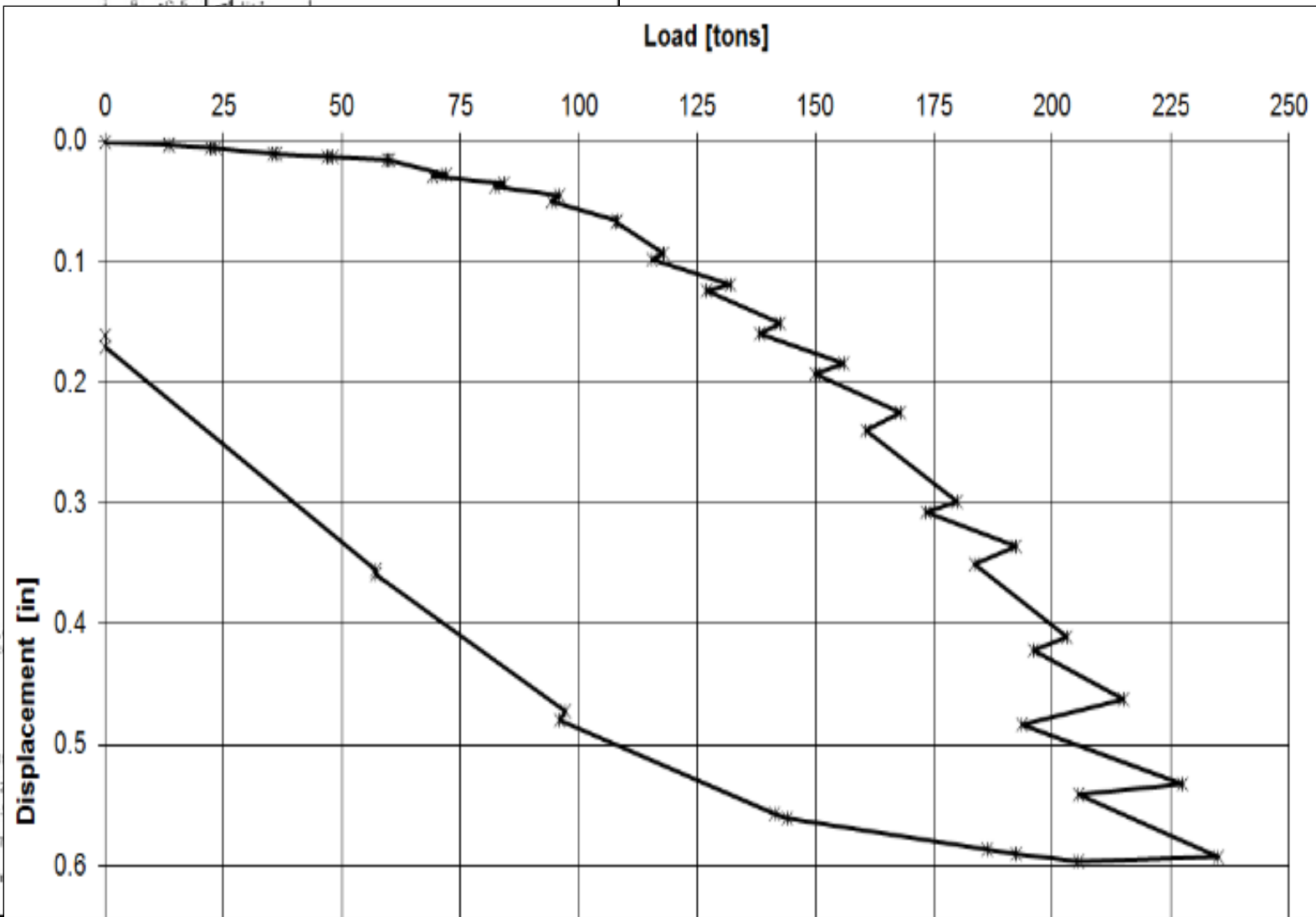
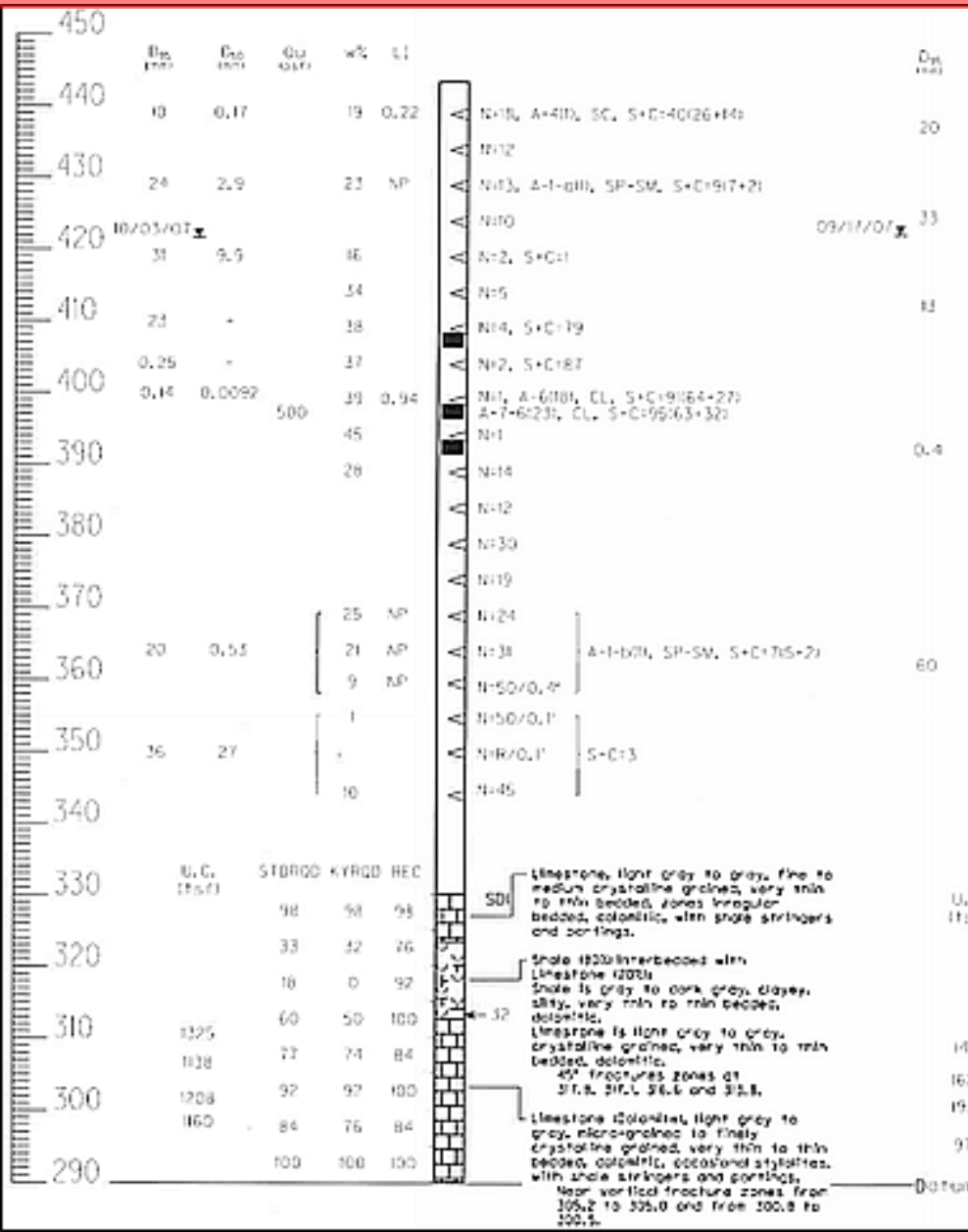


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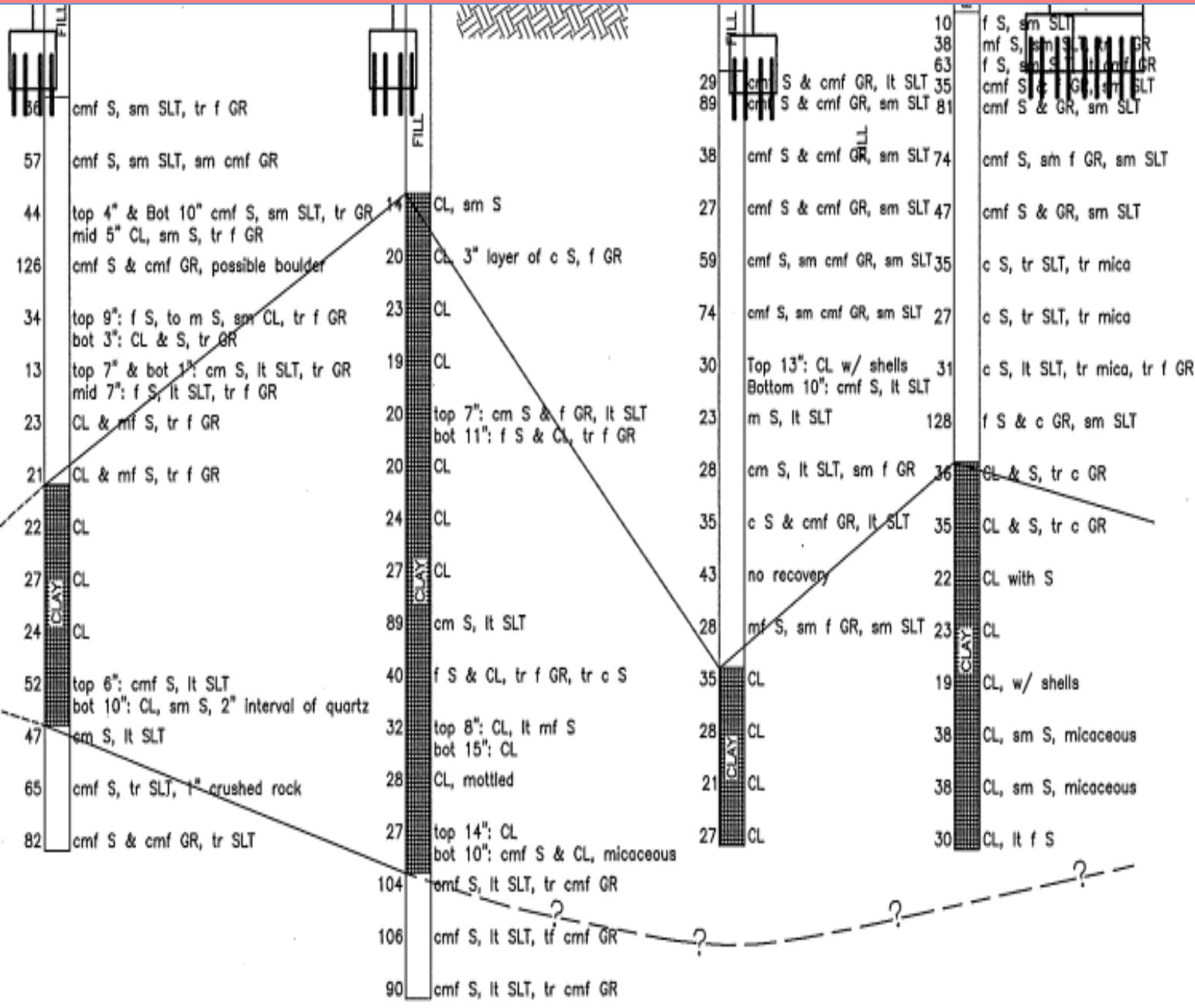


OHIO RIVER BRIDGE – LOUISVILLE KY (KY DOT)

TOWER CRANE SUPPORT



Queens Approach – Bronx Whitestone Bridge – NYC [MTA]

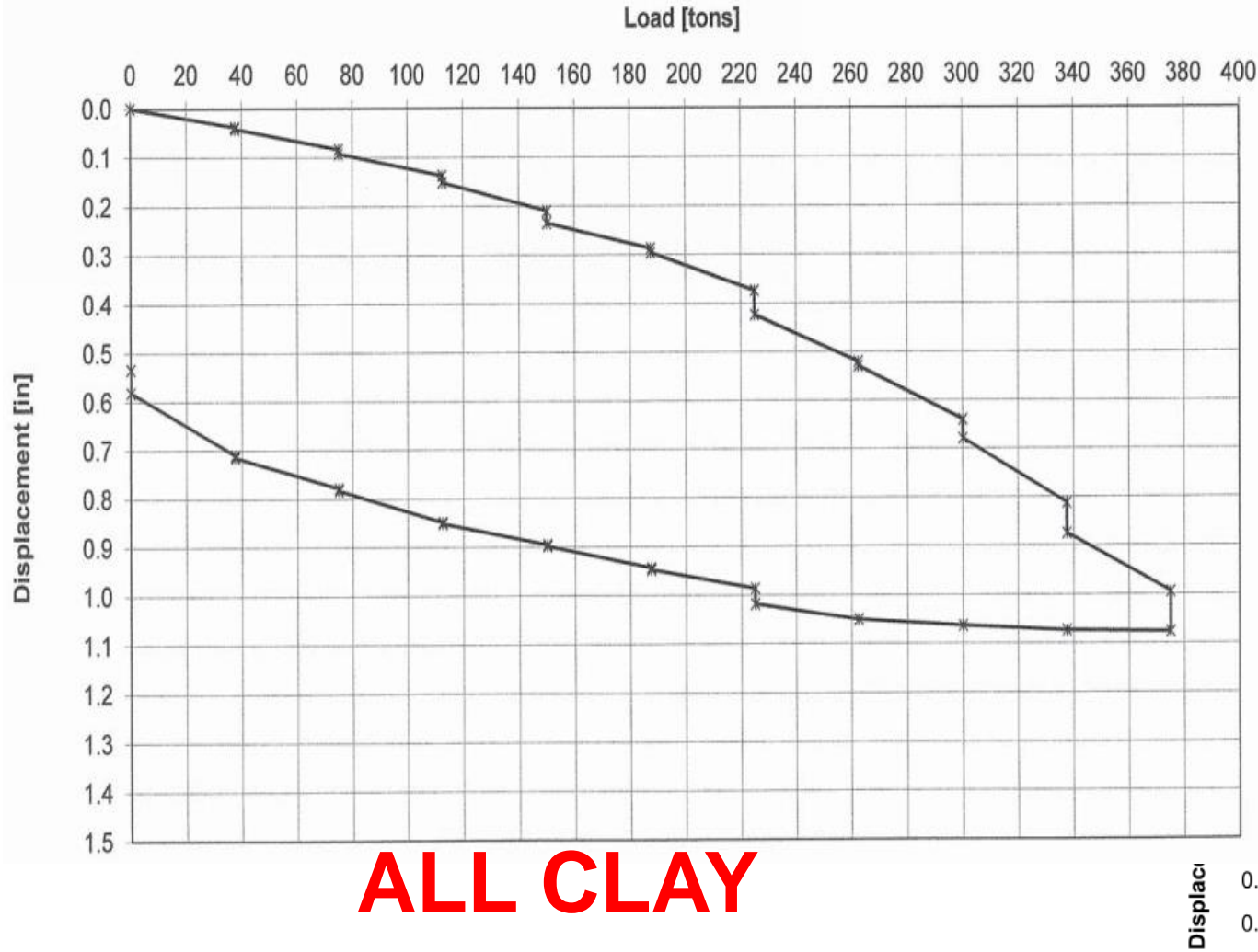


Queens Approach – Bronx Whitestone Bridge - NYC

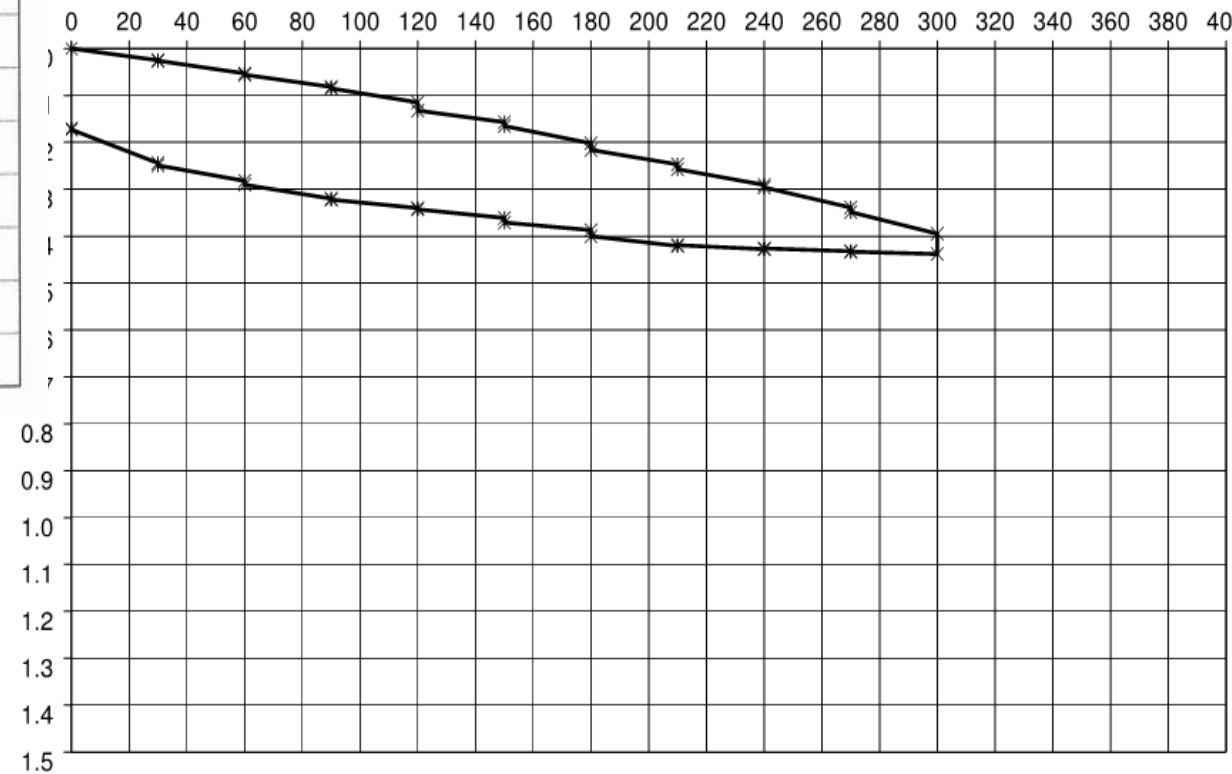


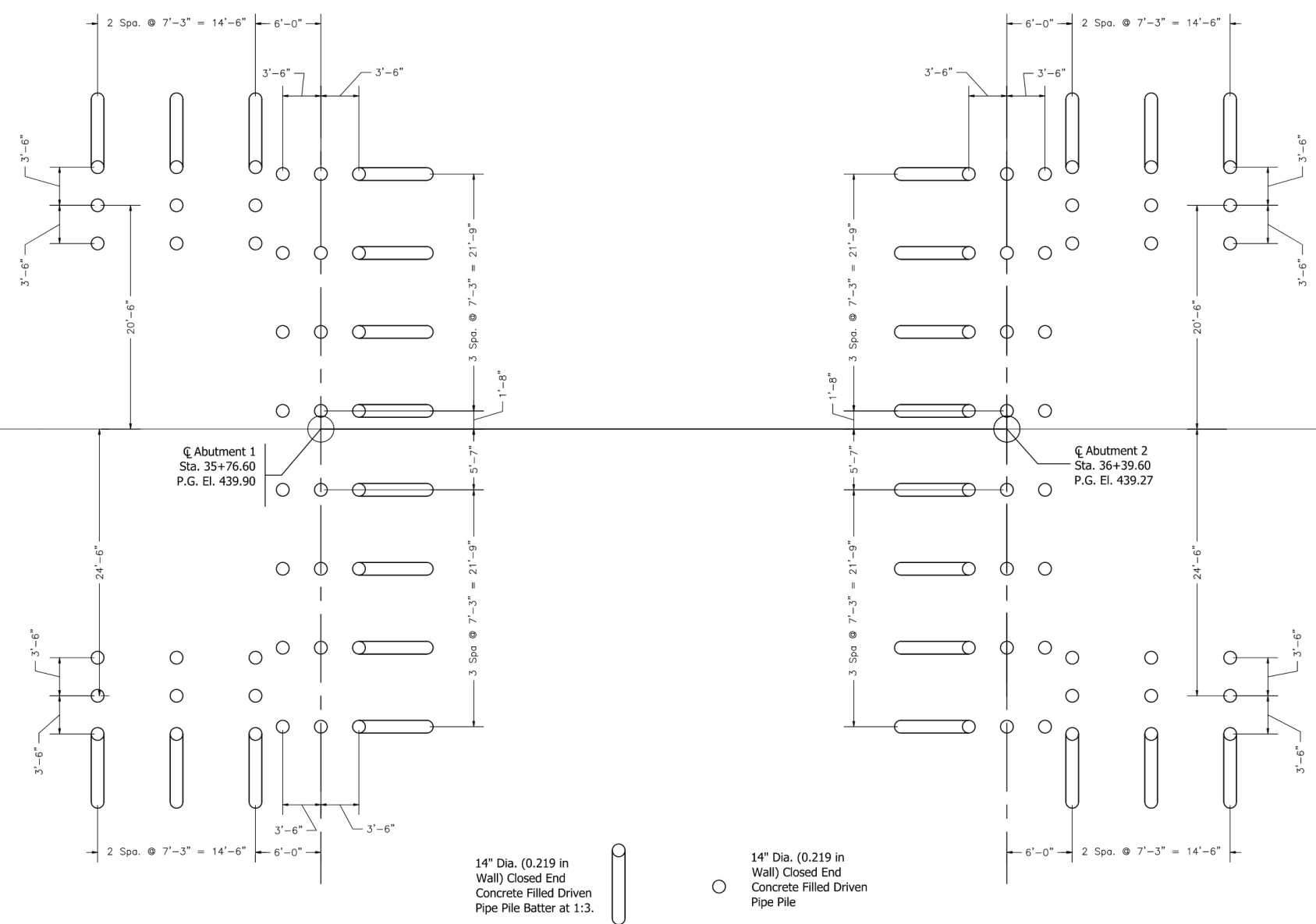
Self-Contained LHR-APG RIG

Queens Approach – Bronx Whitestone Bridge - NYC

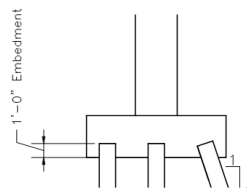


**MOSTLY
SAND**





PLAN



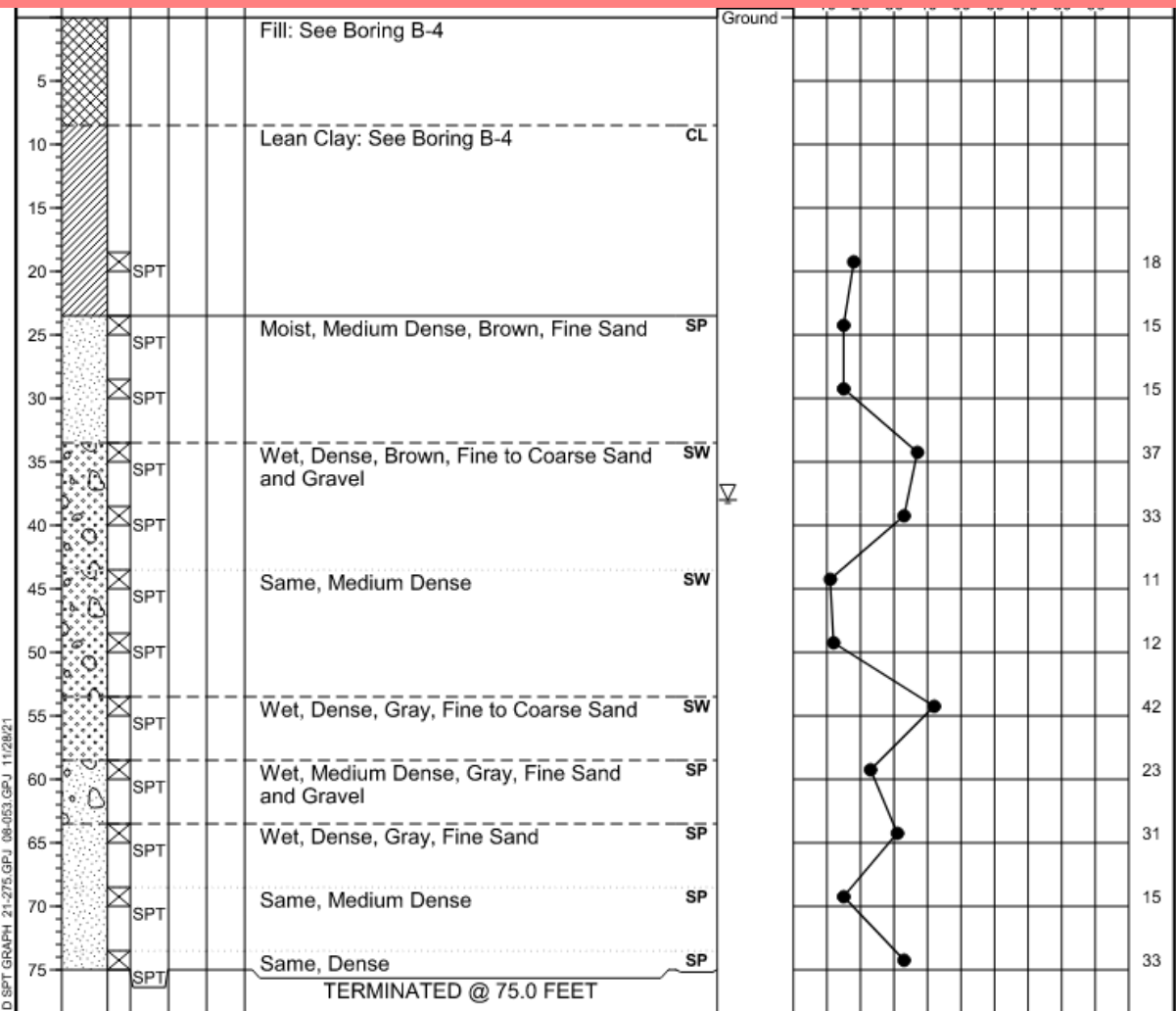
Note:
1. Piles shall be driven to an elevation of 367'. This will correspond with an Factored Load of 190 Kips in compression.

LEWIS ROAD BRIDGE LOUISVILLE KY

LEWIS ROAD BRIDGE – LOUISVILLE KY



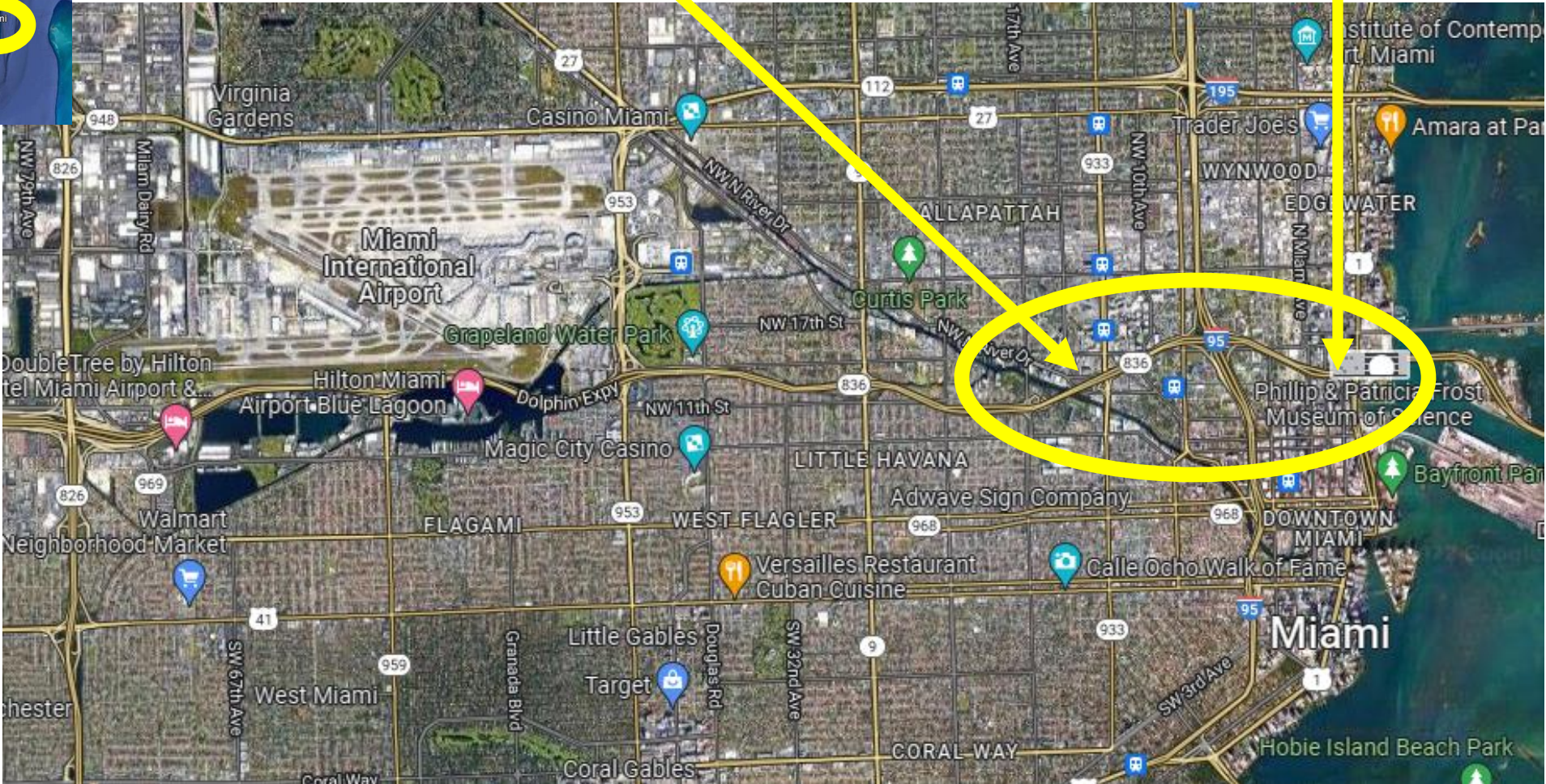
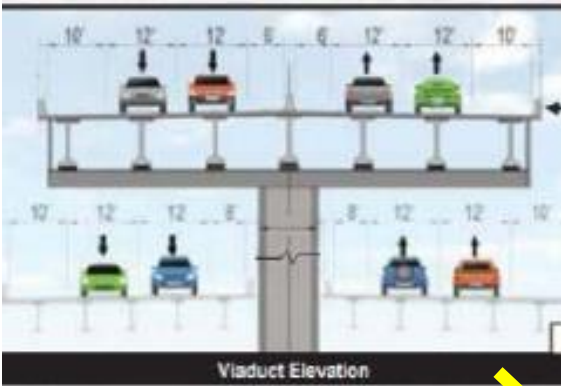
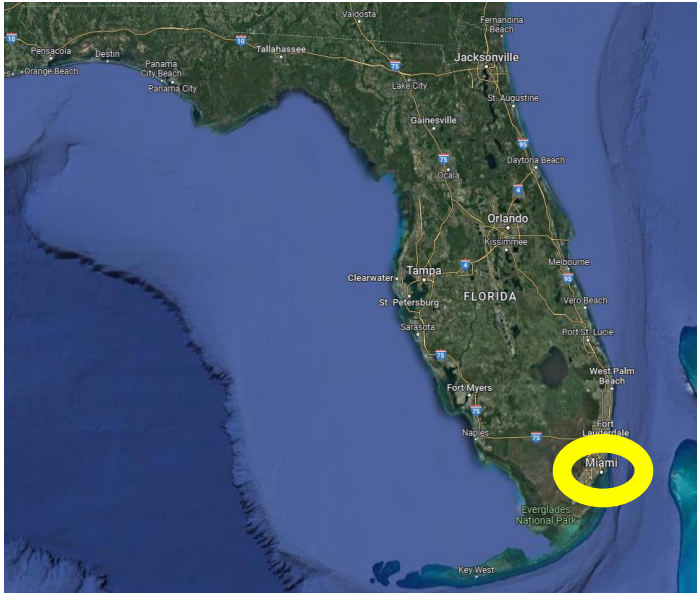
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Case History: FDOT Miami Signature Bridge

- Client: Florida Department of Transportation
- General Contractor: Archer Western de Moya JV
- Geotech: Universal Engineering Services (UES)
- Multiple phases: 4-5 year schedule
- Keller Scope:
 - Drill CFA piles to required elevation
 - Pump grout supplied by GC
 - Pick and place pile reinforcing supplied by GC
 - All pile testing by GC





SB-1 / SB-1RC
4067+60.14 @ I-395 NB/EB
30.20' LT
R.4P

8/22-8/23/19 / Coring: 10/18-10/22/19
G. Miranda (UES)/Auto/CME-75
SPT: 257867725 / Coring: 257863620°
SPT: -80.1912037° Coring: -80.1912060°

Light Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Some Limerock Fragments (FILL: SP)

Light Brown Dolitic LIMESTONE
with Some Sand

Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Little Shell Fragments (SP)

Light Brown Sandy LIMESTONE
with Sand

Orange-Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Some Limestone Fragments (SP)

Light Brown Sandy LIMESTONE
with Interbedded Chert Fragments

Light Brown Fossiliferous and
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BOR # SB-2B
STA. 1061+96.14 @ I-395 EB
OFF. 13.35' LT
ELEV. 8.00
DATE 1/24-1/26/19

LER/HAMMER/RIG G. Miranda (UES)/Auto/CME-75
LATITUDE 25.7859517°
LONGITUDE -80.1913486°

Asphalt Pavement
Gray-Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Some Limerock Fragments (FILL: SP)

Light Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Traces of Limestone Fragments (SP)

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BOR # SB-3
STA. 3063+47.74 @ I-395 EB/CON
OFF. 33.02' RT
ELEV. 7.47
DATE 10/28-10/31/18

DRILLER/HAMMER/RIG R. Suarez (UES)/Auto/CME-55
LATITUDE 25.7857060°
LONGITUDE -80.1910343°

Light Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Limerock Fragments (FILL: SP)

Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Some Limestone Fragments (SP)

Light Brown Sandy LIMESTONE
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BOR # SB-5-2 / SB-5-2RC
STA. 2072+62.04 @ I-395 WB
OFF. 32.98' LT
ELEV. 2.98
DATE 8/28-8/30/18 / Coring: 8/7-8/8/19
DRILLER R. Suarez (UES)
HAMMER Auto
RIG CME-55
SPT: 257867408° / Coring: 257867740°
SPT: -80.1882705° / Coring: -80.1882760°

Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Little Shell Fragments
(FILL: SP)

Brown Fine to Medium SAND (FILL: SP)

Light Brown Sandy LIMESTONE
and Sand

Light Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Some Shell Fragments (SP)

Light Brown Fossiliferous Sandy
LIMESTONE with Sand

Light Brown Fine to Medium SAND
with Little Limestone Fragments (SP)

Light Brown Sandy LIMESTONE
with Some Sand

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Light Brown Fossiliferous Sandy
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Miami Limestone Formation

Sand/Limestone Fragment Mixture

Intermediate Geo-Material (IGM)

Tamiami Limestone Formation

Boring Terminated
Depth of 151ft Below Grade
(Elevation -143.00ft)
Casing Length 149ft

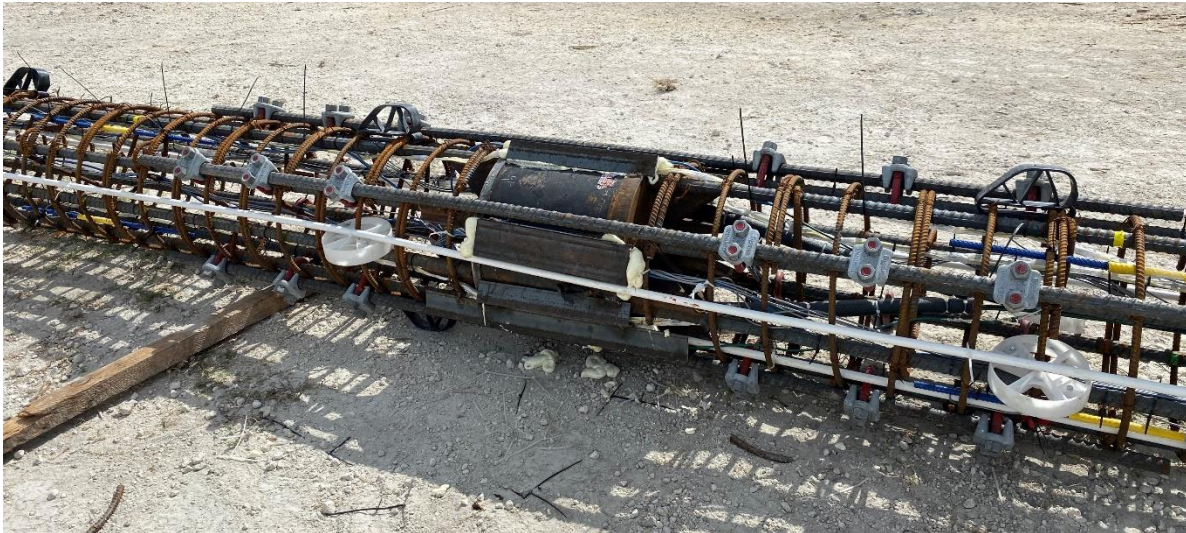
Boring Terminated
Depth of 142ft Below Grade
(Elevation -134.53ft)
Casing Length 140ft

Boring Terminated
Depth of 130ft Below Grade
(Elevation -127.02ft)
Casing Length 128ft

Rock Core Terminated
Depth of 99ft Below Grade
(Elevation -96.02ft)
Casing Length 94ft

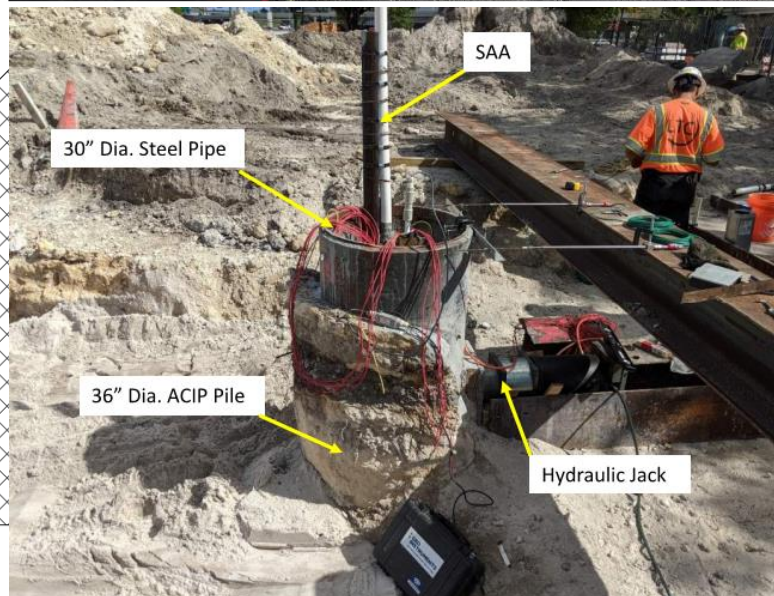
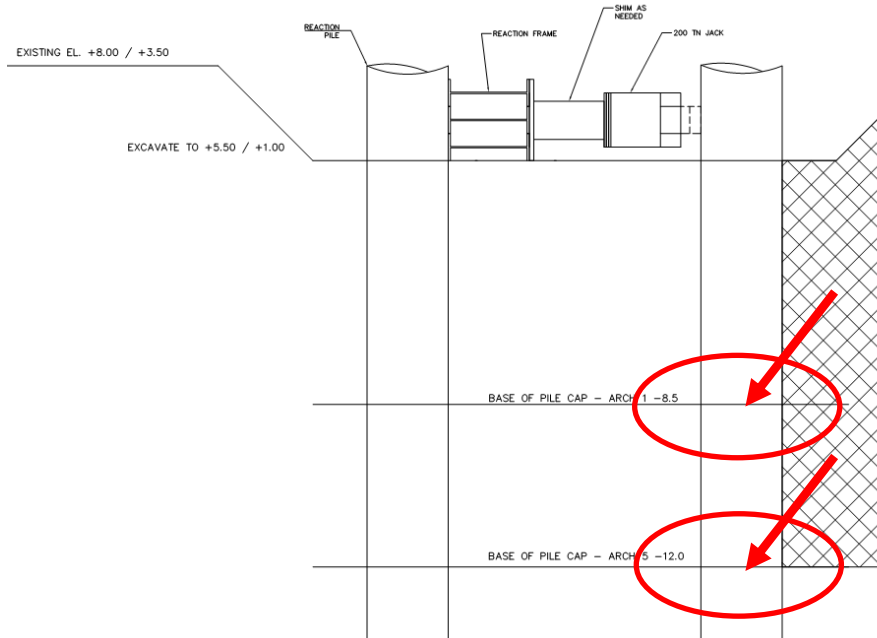
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- Load Testing
 - (11) 30-inch diameter CFA test piles with Bi-directional jacks
 - Test loads up to ~4500 kips



• Lateral Load Testing 36" Diameter CFA – 290 kips

Challenge was to mobilize soil resistance at the cut-off elevation about 15 to 20 ft. below ground



Signature Bridge

- (484) 36" diameter CFA
- 140' Max Depth

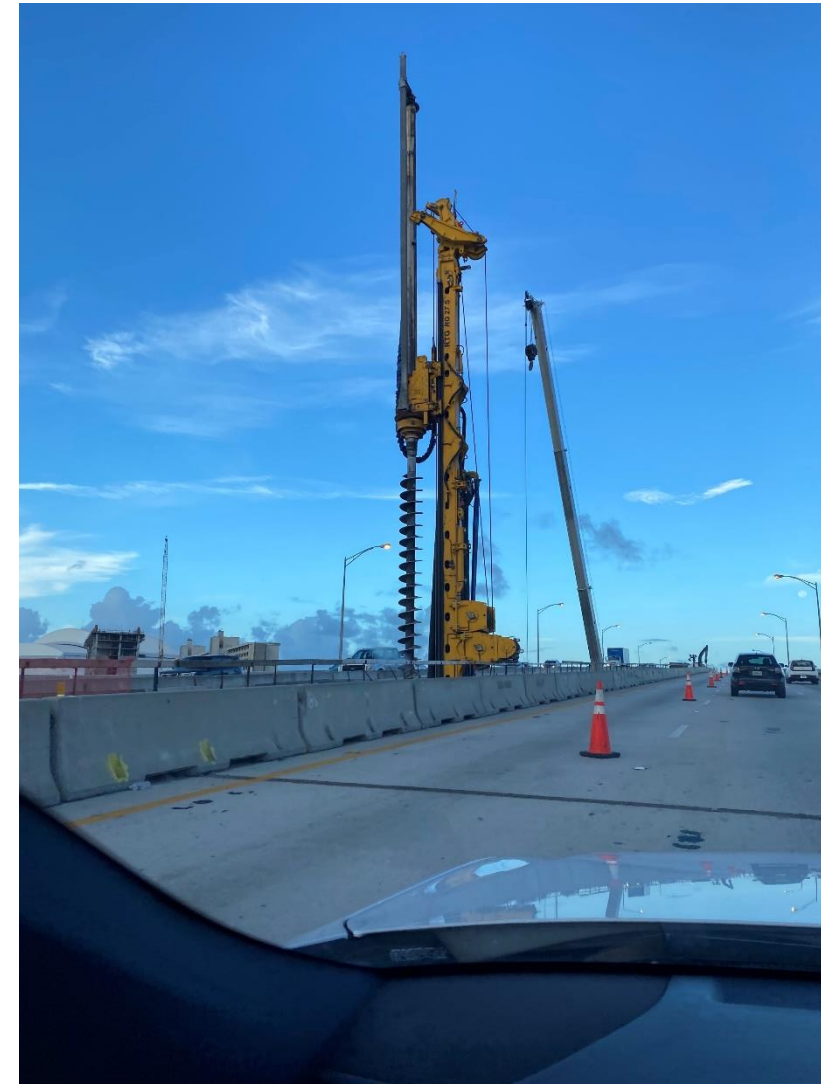


Crane with fixed lead system

Battered piles

Between overhead bridges (17-ft opening)

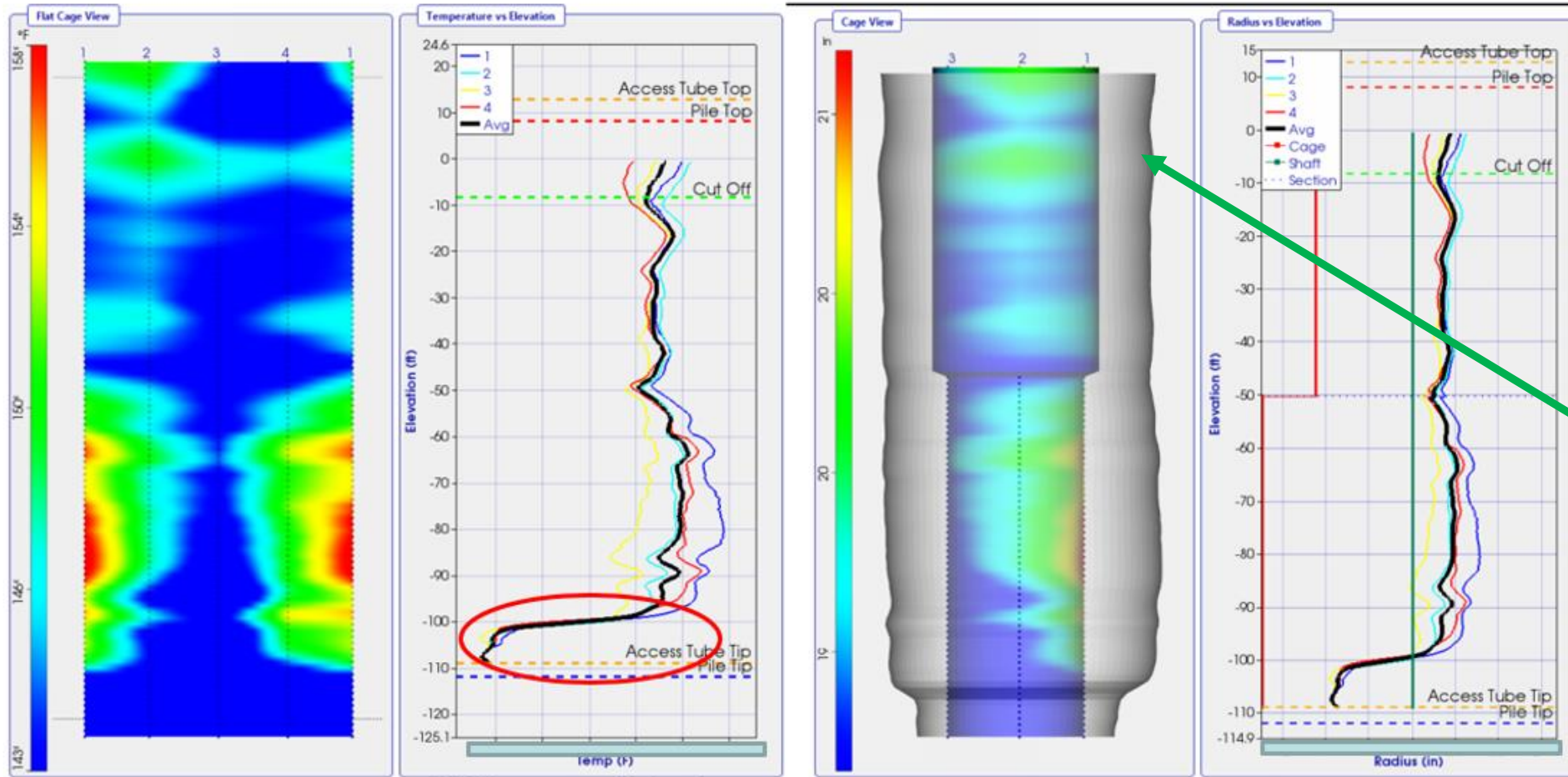
- (108) 30" Diameter CFA
- 80' Depth
- 1:8 Max inclination
- Required for constructability



- **Quality**
 - AME Requirements



- **Quality:**
 - Thermal Integrity Profiling (TIP)



Thermal HAS to be calibrated to onsite conditions, soil borings and actual installation measurements

Good to demonstrate continuity of element, reinforcing cage reaching the tip of the pile or large inclusions

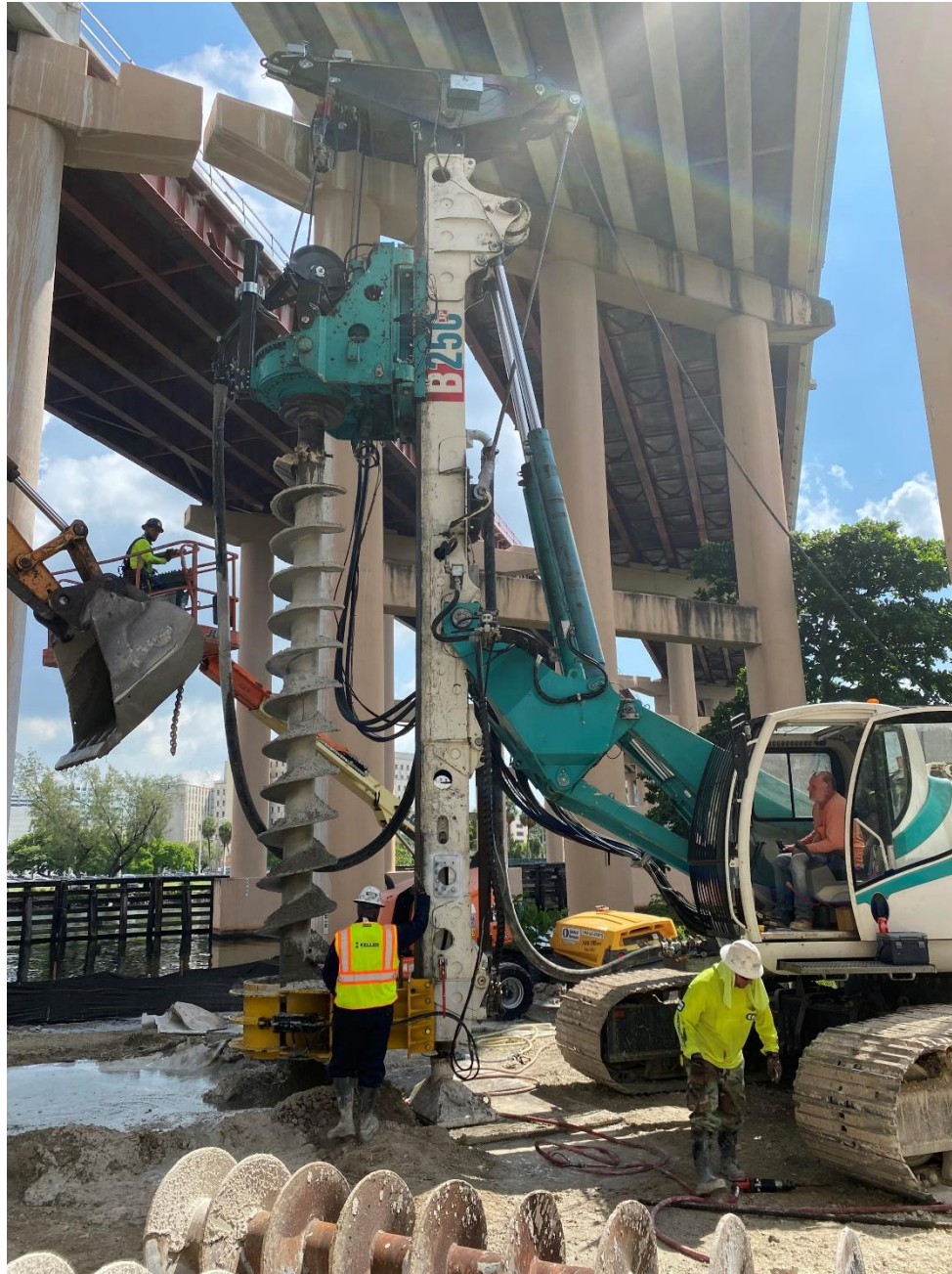


Low Headroom Piles

Min 40-ft of headroom

(36) 30-inch Diameter CFA

Max 85' Depth



Low Headroom Piles

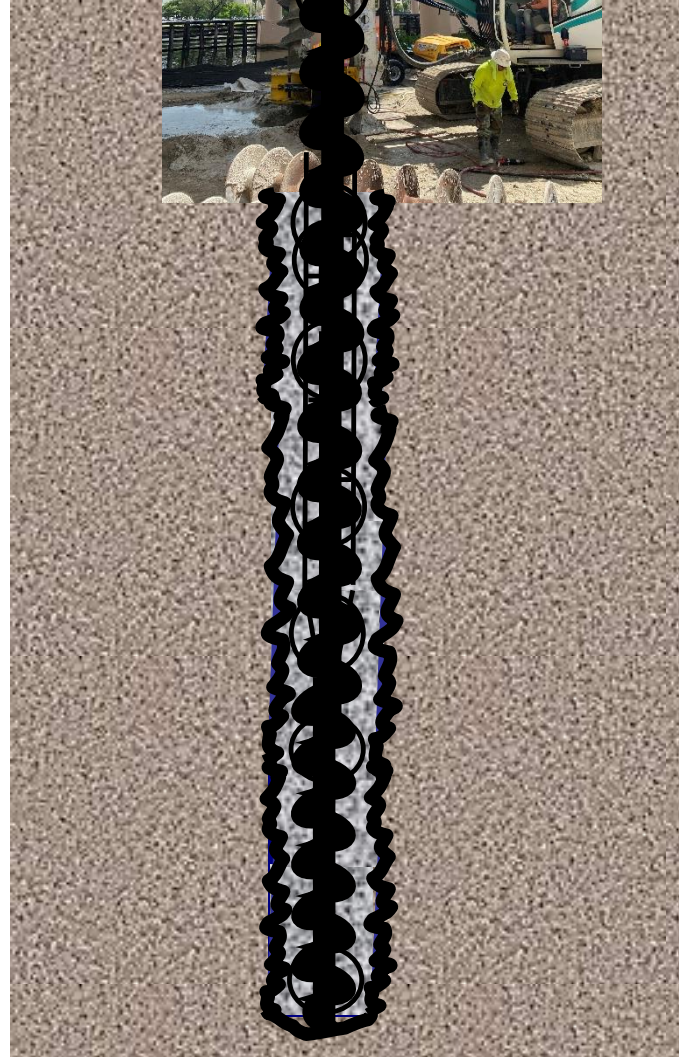
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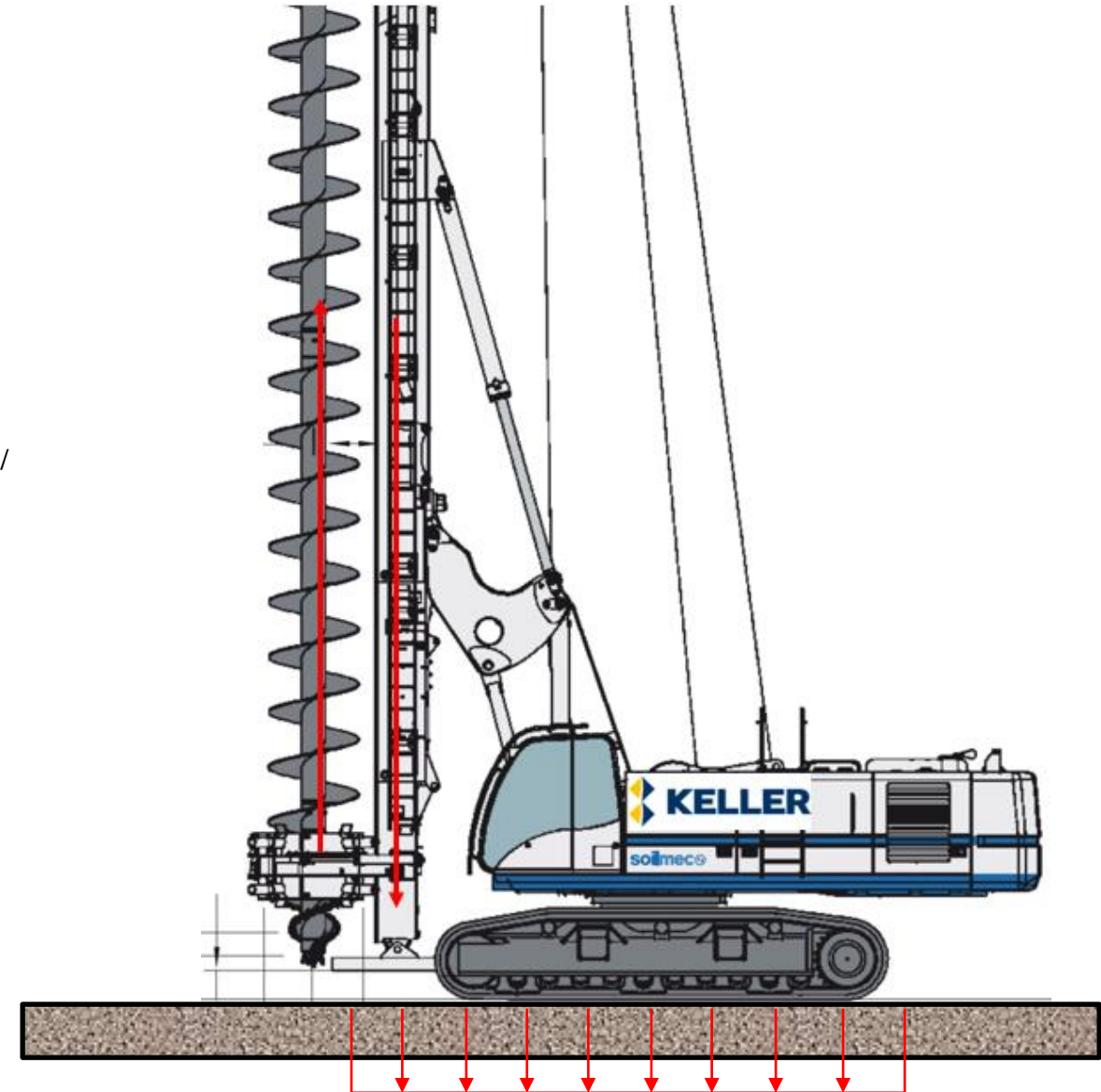
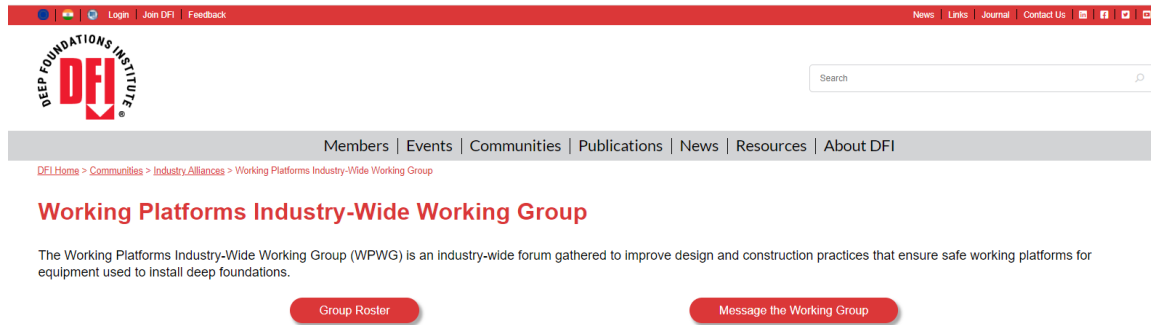
Procedure had to be
modified as redrilling
15 ft to restore head
is not possible



Working Platform

- Foot pressure is critical, especially during extraction
- Refer to DFI working platform document

<https://www.dfi.org/communities/industry-alliances/working-platforms-industry-wide-working-group/>





Where to Start: The Industry Position Statement

<https://www.adsc-iafd.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/WorkingPlatformFINAL11-2018.pdf>



“...these associations support the development and adoption of an established policy for the evaluation of working platforms for construction equipment. Furthermore, the responsibility for providing a safe working platform should be acknowledged by controlling entities (general contractors, construction managers, and owners) as being an integral cost for every project. Specialty subcontractors should not be left with the unknown risk and cost of creating safe working platforms **without due consideration.** The goal is to reduce the risk that proper evaluation and preparation may not occur and consequently corresponding safety risks could increase.”





Drilling rig topples, misses building

Rig causes minor balcony damage; No injuries reported

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