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EXISTING INFORMATION

Previous soil investigations for the development of the Point Thomson Development (PTD) area have produced a collection of geotechnical data. This chapter summarizes the available onshore and offshore geotechnical information sources pertinent to development of the PTD area.

The studies cited were performed for either government agencies or partners in the PTD area. The list is limited to data available to Harding Lawson Associates (HLA) and used in the current investigation. The locations of the studies along with the boring locations for this study are shown on Plate A-1.

A. Offshore Soil Investigations

1. Geotechnical Investigation Beaufort Sea

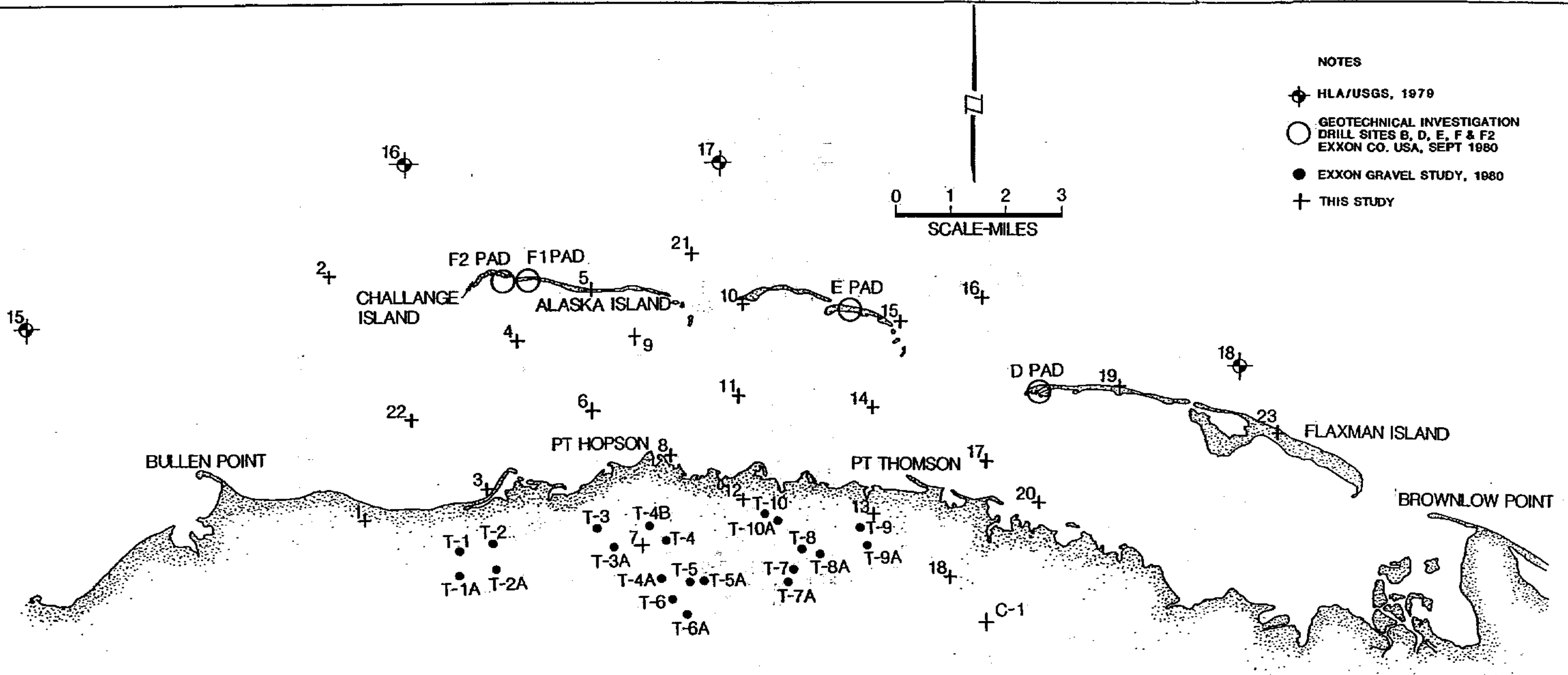
HLA performed this investigation in February and March, 1979 for the United States Geological Survey (USGS). Four borings for this USGS investigation were drilled within the proposed PTD area to depths of 42 to 103 feet below mudline. Logs for these four borings were generalized in the Alaska Oil and Gas Association study and are shown on Plates A-2 through A-5.


2. Interpretation of Geophysical, Geologic and Engineering Data Beaufort Sea, Alaska

This study was performed in November, 1979 for eight oil companies by HLA. This paper presented an interpretation of geophysical and geotechnical data available in the Prudhoe Bay-Point Thomson region from 1971-1977 and involved the geotechnical data generated in the 1979 USGS investigation.

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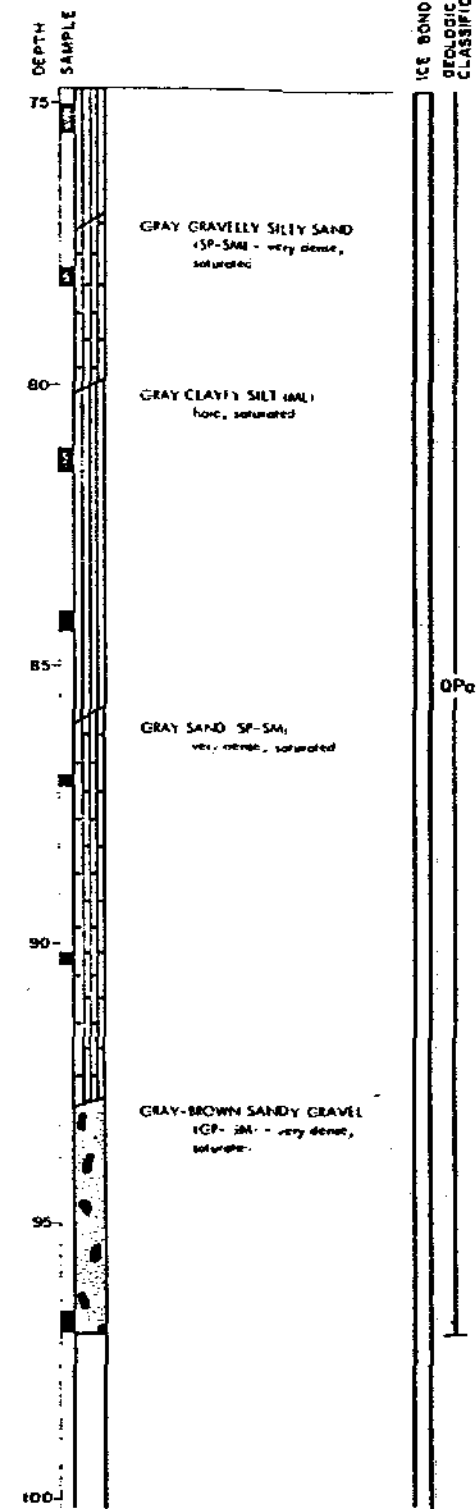
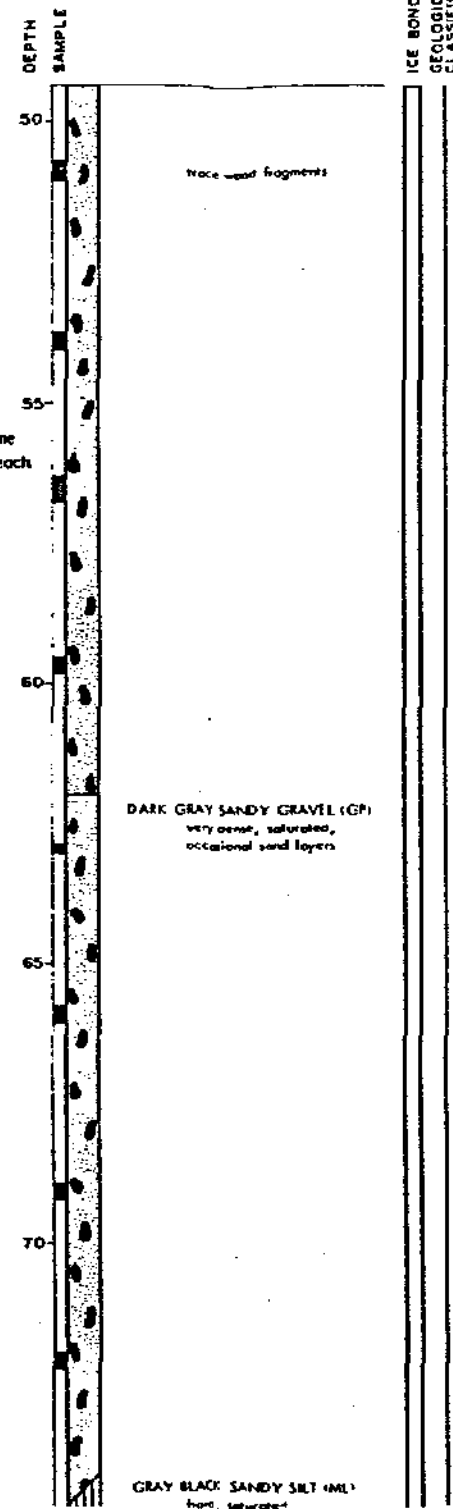
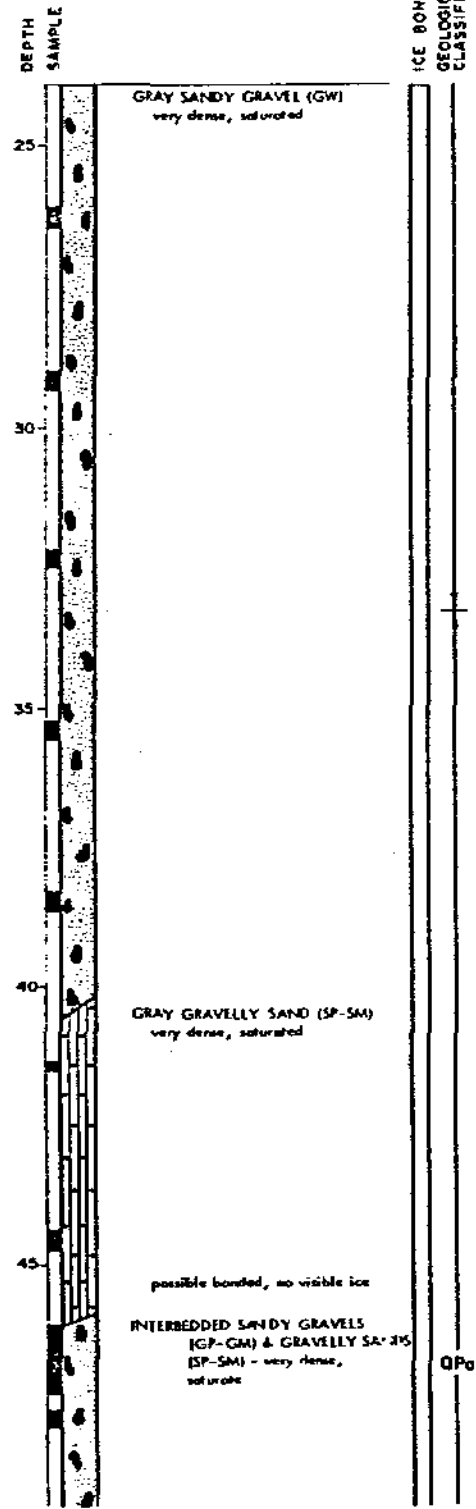
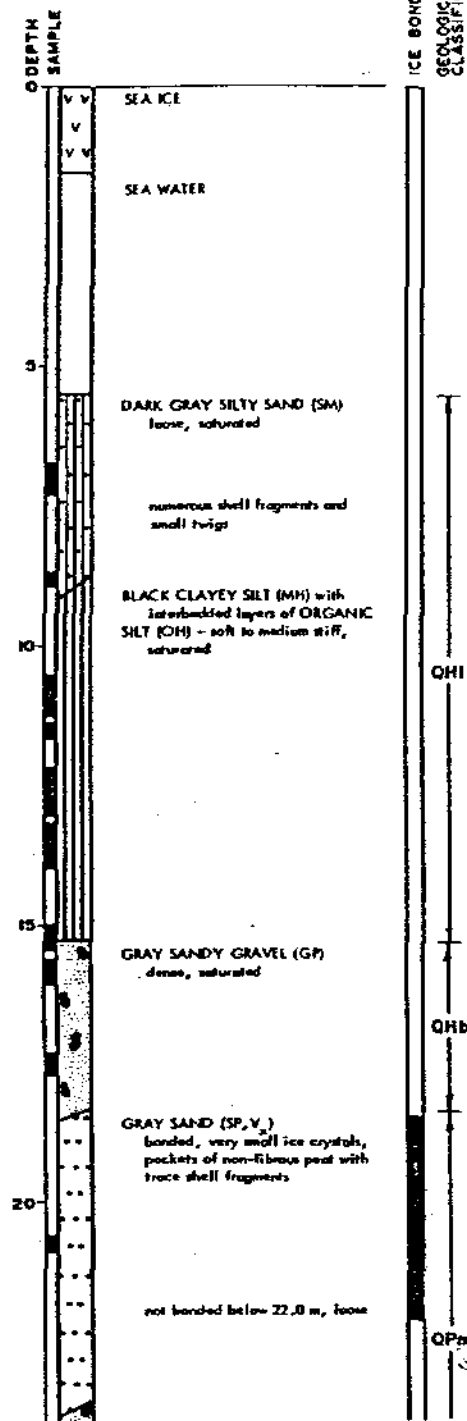
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- + THIS STUDY



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GENERALIZED LOG OF BORING 15

Equipment Rotary Wash
Elevation 0 meters



Reference:
Interpretation of Geophysical, Geologic and Engineering Data Beaufort Sea, Alaska, HLA 1979

* Refer to Plate A2L Bonding Index
** Refer to Plate II, Explanation of Geologic Map Symbols

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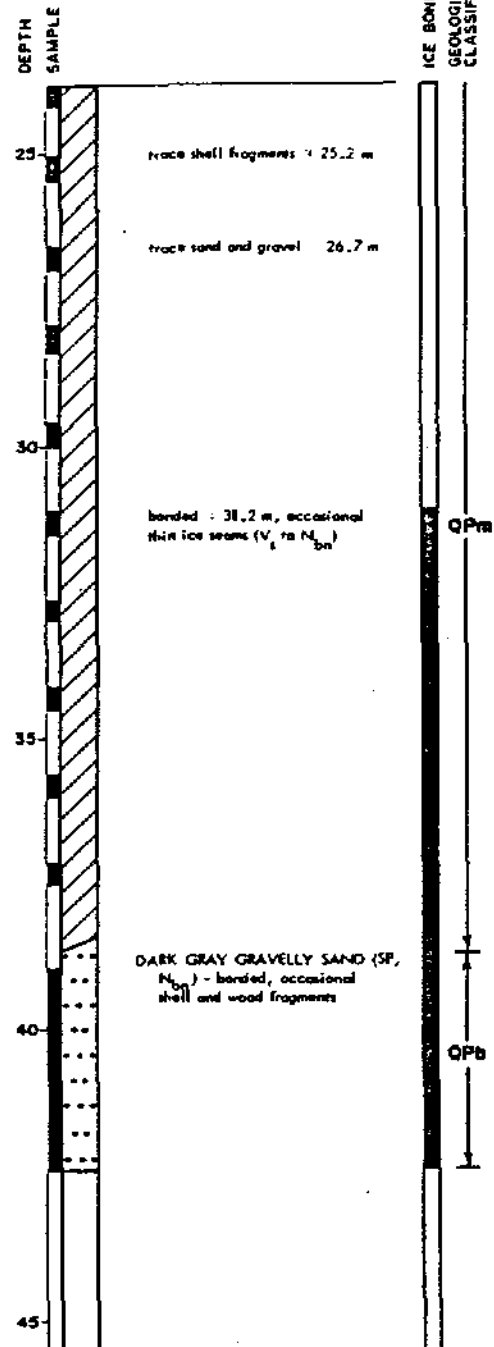
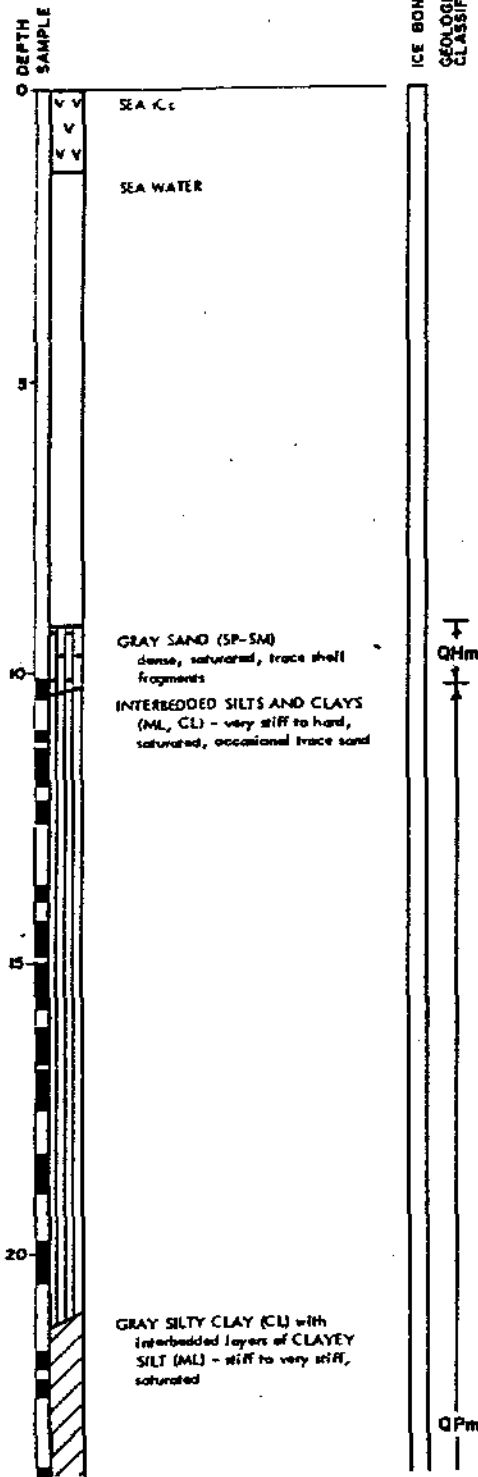
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GENERALIZED LOG OF BORING 16

Equipment Rotary Wash
 Elevation 0 meters



Reference:

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- * Refer to Plate A21, Bonding index
- ** Refer to Plate II, Explanation of Geologic Map Symbols



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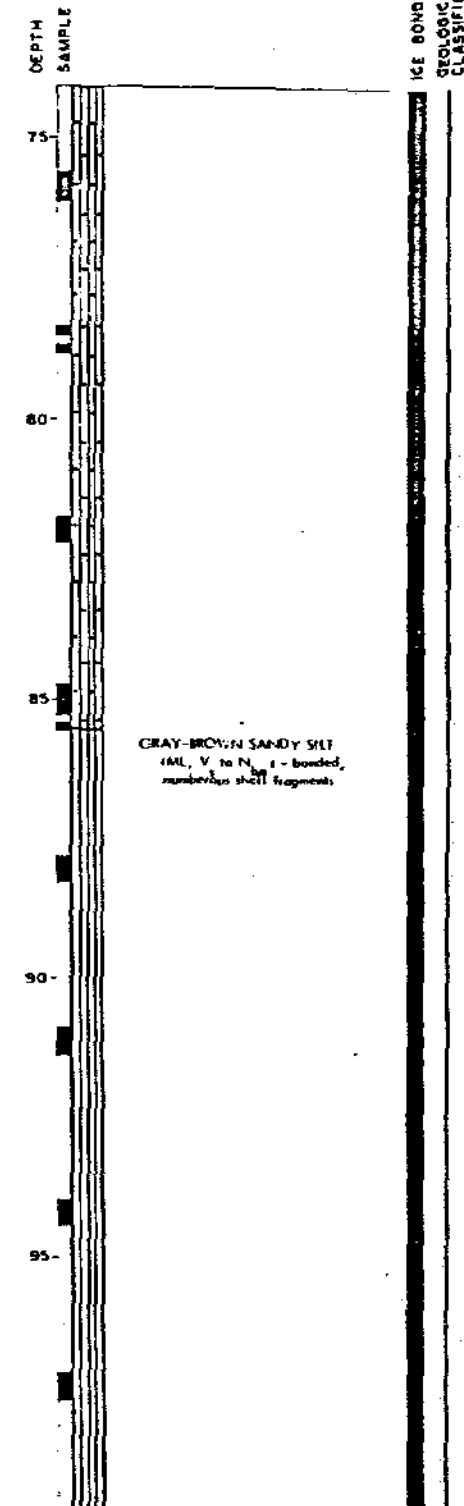
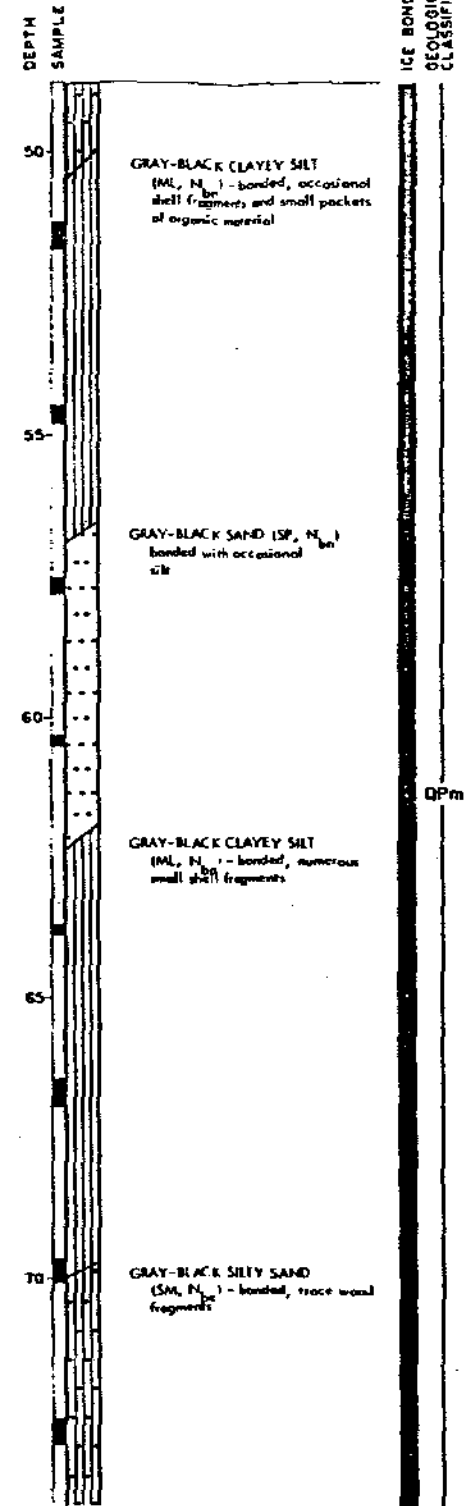
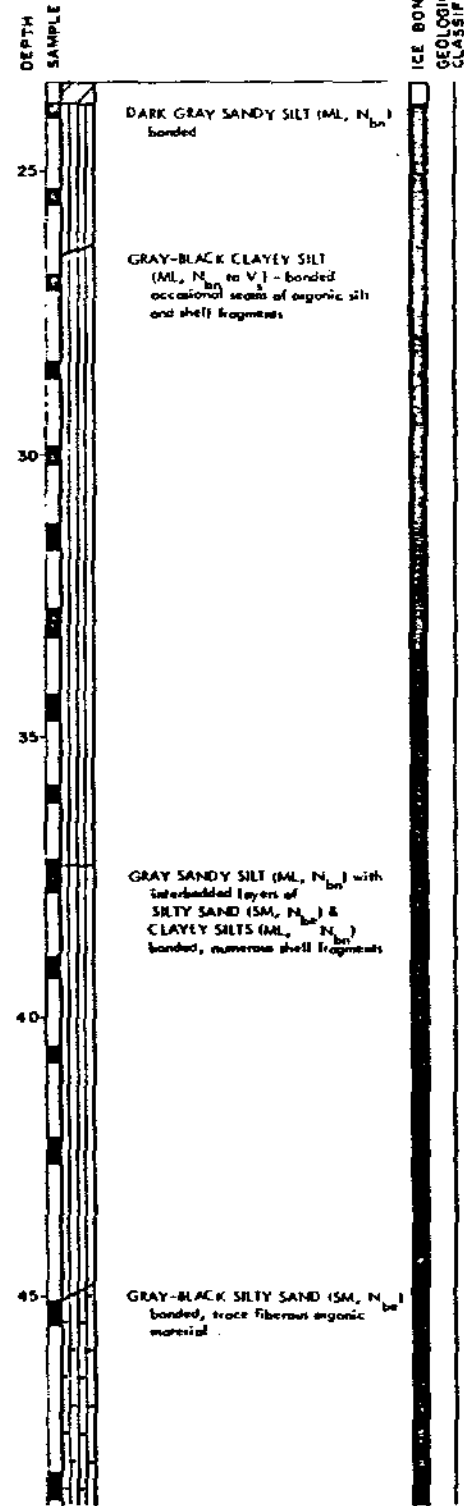
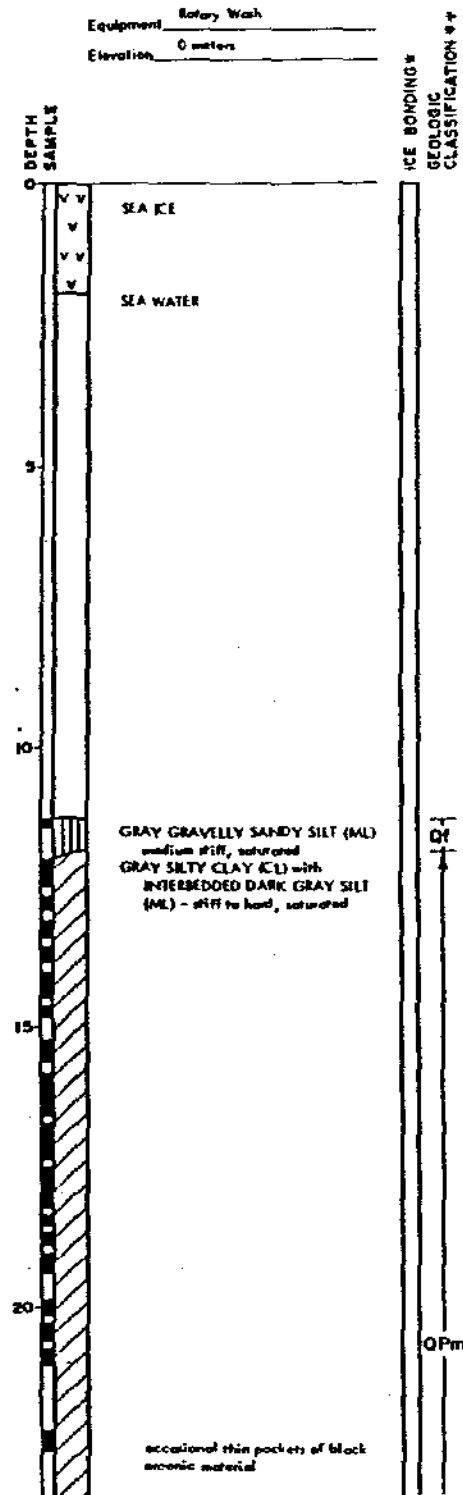
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GENERALIZED LOG OF BORING 18

Equipment Rotary Wash
Elevation 0 meters



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Interpretation of Geophysical, Geologic
and Engineering Data Beaufort Sea,
Alaska, HLA 1979

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** Refer to Plate 11, Explanation of Geologic Map Symbols



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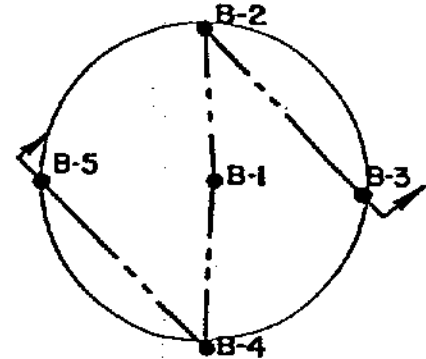
CLAYEY SILTS & SILTY CLAYS, some ORGANICS

SILTY SANDS & GRAVELLY SANDS

SILTY SANDY GRAVELS

NOTE SHADED AREA DENOTES BONDED SOILS

Reference:
Geotechnical Investigation Drill Site B, HLA 1980



0 100 200
SCALE: FEET

to -106.7'



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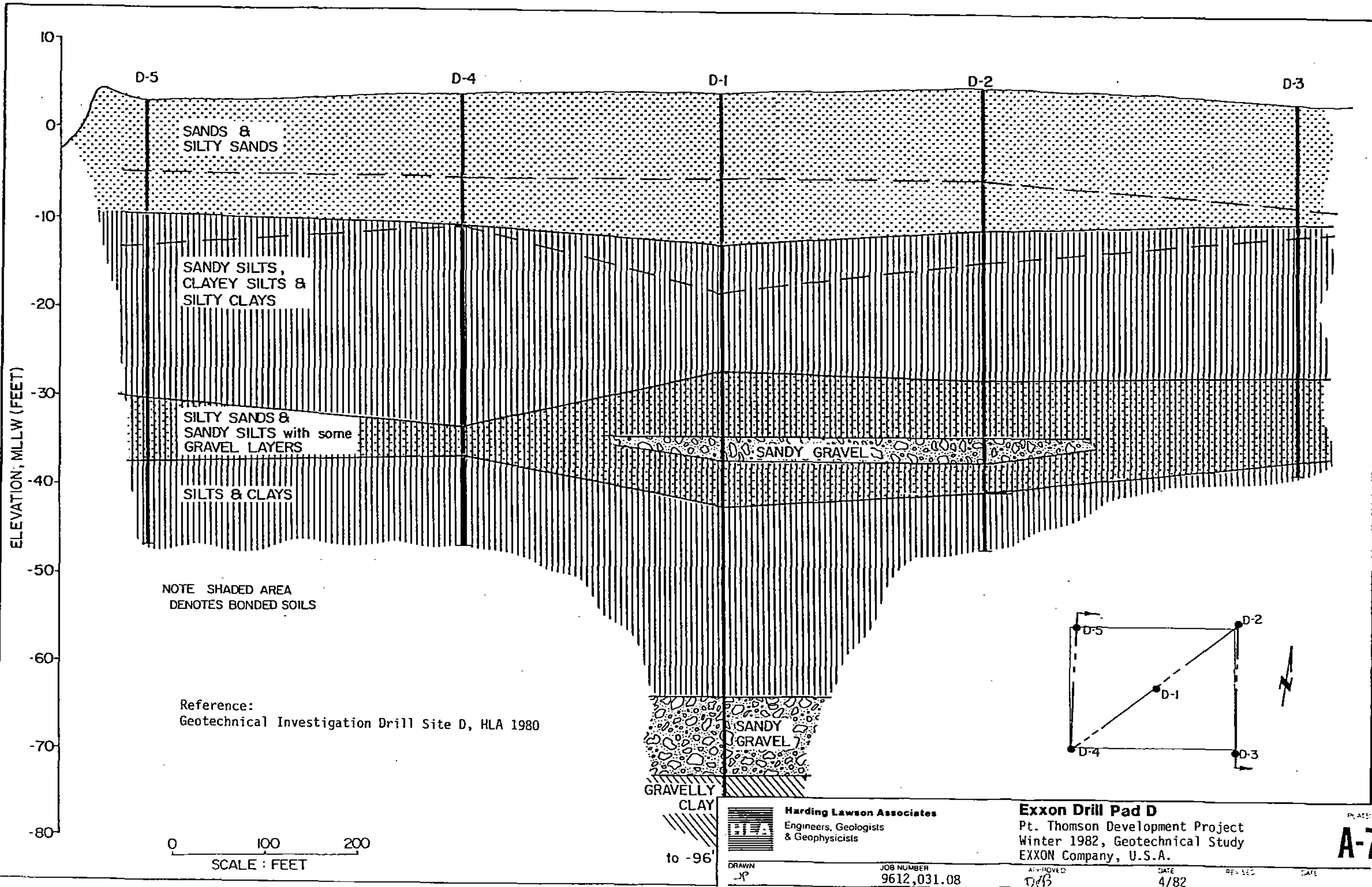
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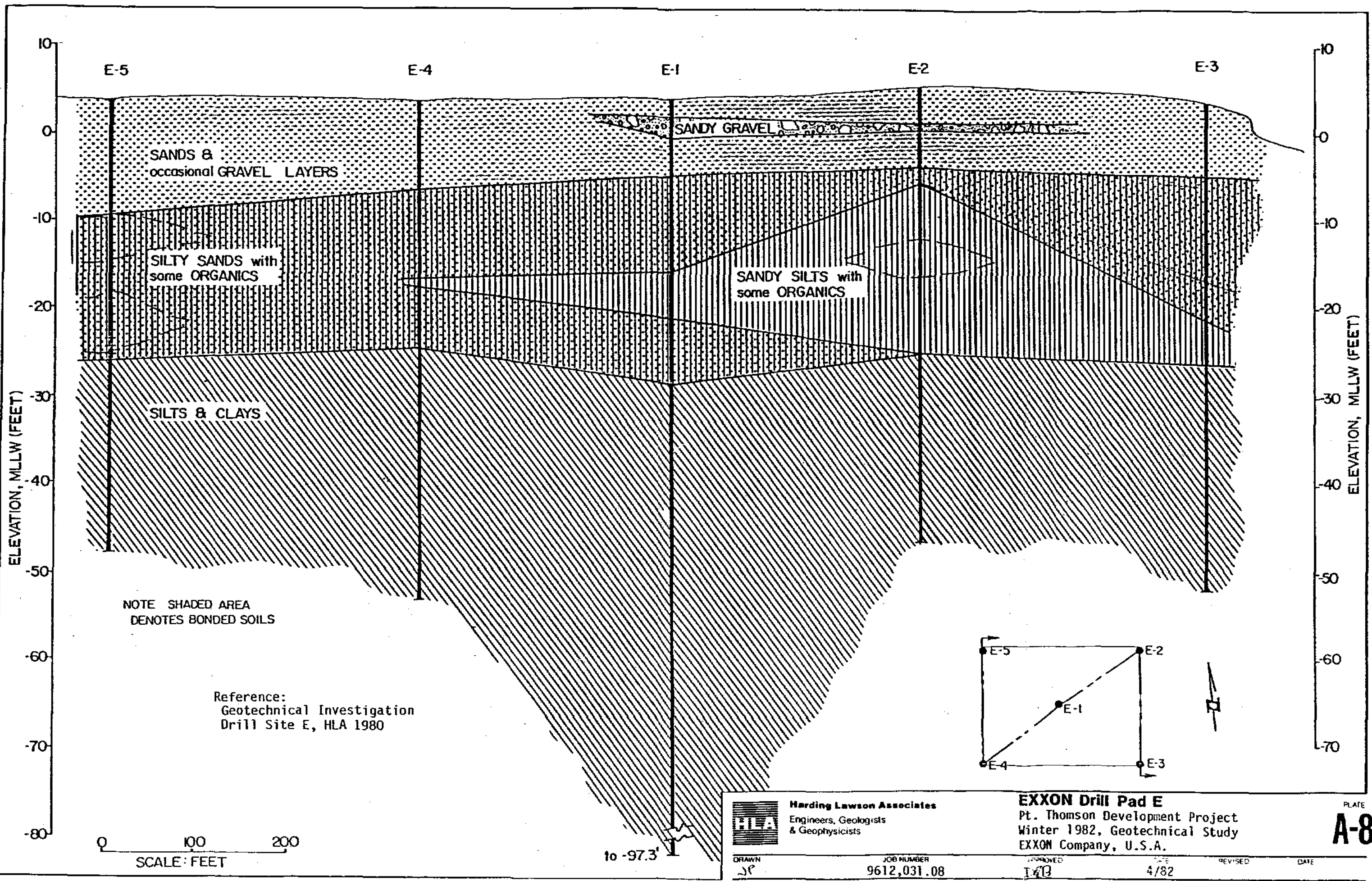
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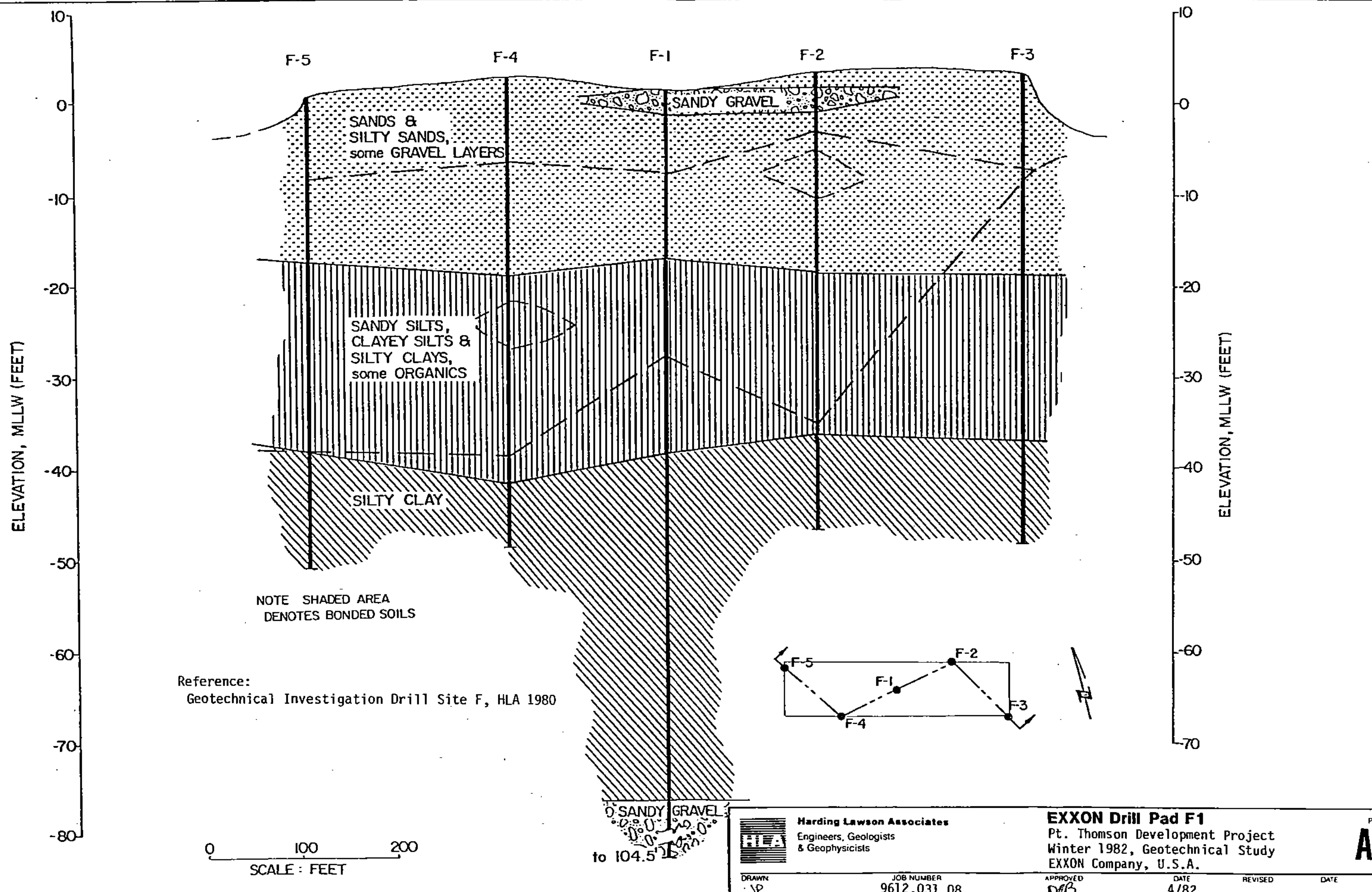
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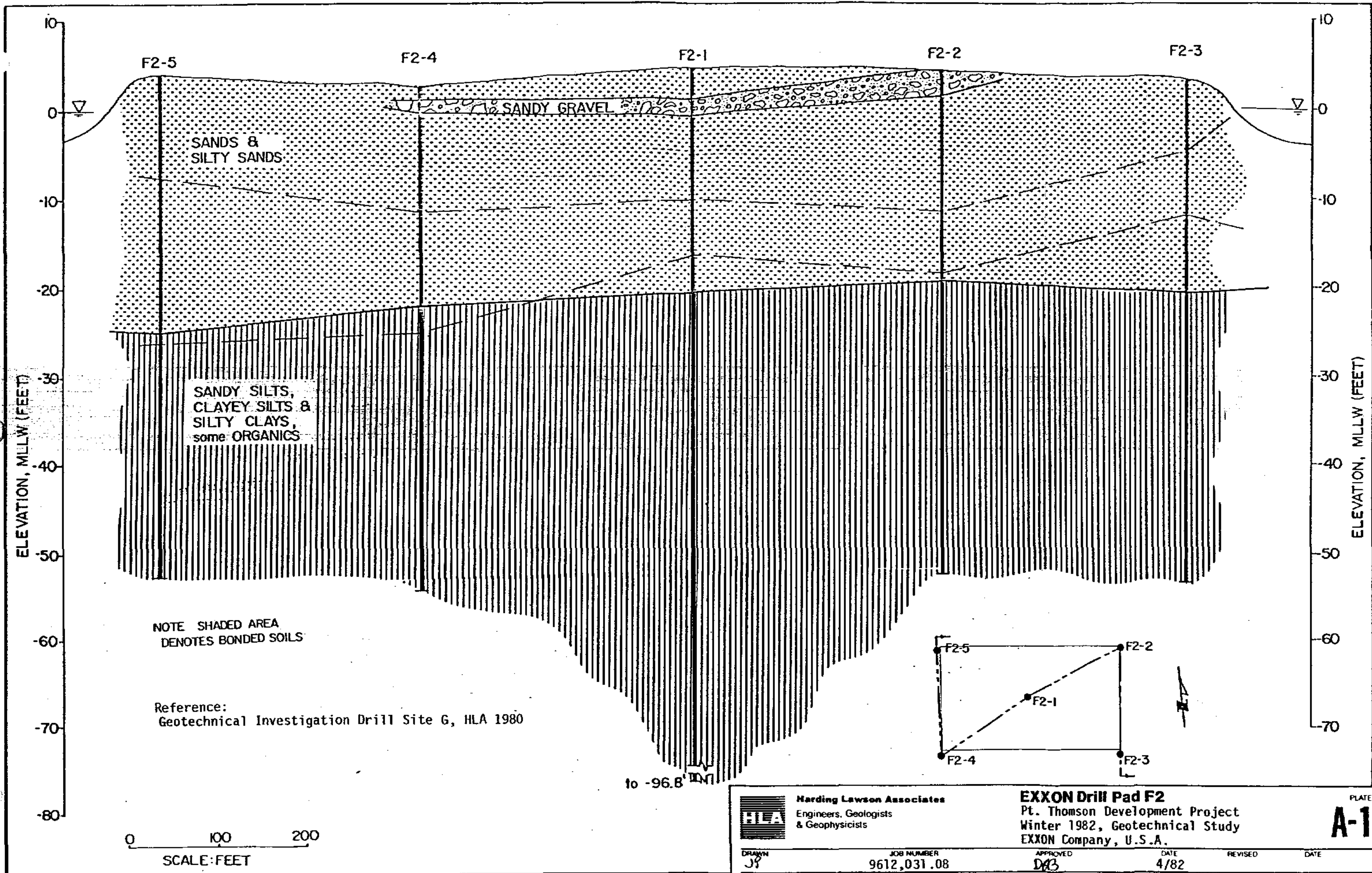


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3. Drill Sites B, D, E, F1, F2 - Soil Investigation

These five sites were investigated in February and March, 1980 by HLA for Exxon Company, U.S.A. Several borings were drilled at each site. Generalized subsurface profiles of conditions encountered at each site are presented on Plates A-6 through A-10 and are described below.

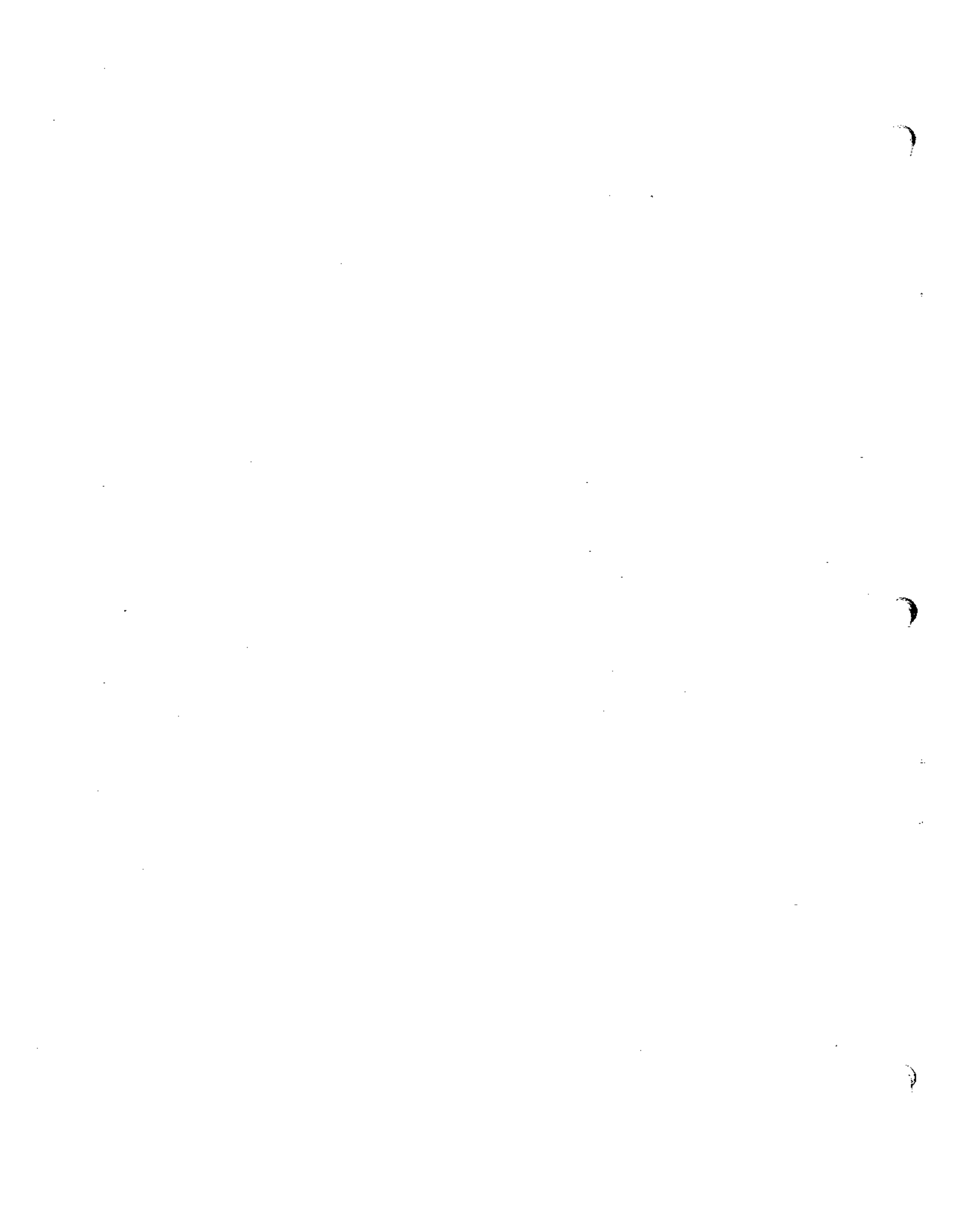
a. Drill Site B

Drilling operations were conducted on the ice from February 29 through March 2, 1980. Five test borings were drilled at the locations shown on Plate A-6. Ice thickness at boring locations varied from 4.0 to 4.8 feet and the water depth (top of ice to mudline) ranged from 6.6 to 9.4 feet. The test borings ranged in depth from 47.0 to 100.3 feet below mudline. A generalized subsurface profile of the site is presented on Plate A-6.

The upper stratum extending from the mudline to a depth of 20 to 25 feet is a Holocene unit. This unit is comprised of sand, silty sand and thin interbedded layers of sandy and clayey silt. The sand is fine-grained and loose to medium dense. The silt layers are medium stiff and have medium plasticity.

A late Pleistocene stratum of silt and clay underlies the surficial Holocene deposit. This stratum extends to depths of 35 to 46 feet and ranges in thickness from 14 to 24 feet. The stratum contains occasional, discontinuous silty sand and gravel lenses, some organic silt layers, and occasional thin seams of peat. The silt and clay are overconsolidated and medium stiff to stiff.

The silt and clay are underlain by a glaciofluvial Pleistocene deposit of silty sand and gravel. This deposit extended to the depths penetrated by the borings.



At the time of our investigations, the soils were unbonded^(*) from the mudline to depths ranging from 31 to 36 feet. Below these depths the soil is bonded.

The ground temperatures were measured in Boring B-1 using down-hole thermistors. The ground temperatures measured approximately 44 hours after completion of the boring ranged from -1.6°C to -0.6°C .

b. Drill Site D

Drilling operations were conducted at the "D" site from March 3 through 6, 1980. The island is approximately 430 feet in width (bank-to-bank) at the proposed drill pad location. Surface elevations vary across the drill pad site from 2.6 to 4.3^(**). Five test borings were drilled at the locations shown on Plate A-7 to depths of 41.5 to 100.0 feet. A generalized subsurface profile of the site is presented on Plate A-7.

A Holocene unit consisting of sand and silty sand extends from the ground surface to depths of 12 to 17 feet. The sand is fine to medium grained with occasional fine gravel and thin gravel lenses. The unbonded sand is medium dense to dense.

The surficial sand is underlain by a late Pleistocene deposit consisting predominantly of clayey silt with some silty clay layers. Generally, the silt and clay have medium plasticity and the unbonded soils are medium stiff to stiff. At depths ranging from 30 to 45 feet the silt and clay contain interbedded silty sand and gravel.

(*) "Unbonded" soil denotes soils which exhibit temperatures below 0°C but behave in a thawed manner due primarily to saline concentrations in the pore water. "Bonded" soil denotes soils which exhibit temperatures below 0°C and behave as an ice-cemented soil mass having frozen pore water.

(**) All elevations refer to feet above Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

In Boring D-1 sandy gravel, gravelly clay, and sand were encountered beginning at a depth of 68 feet and extending to the 100-foot depth penetrated by the boring.

At the time of our investigation the soils were bonded from the ground surface to depths ranging 8 to 11 feet. Underlying the surficial bonded soils is an unbonded zone ranging in thickness from 3 feet in Boring D-3 to 13 feet in Boring D-1. Ground-water seepage occurred in several of these unbonded zones. Beneath this zone the soils were bonded to a depth of approximately 79 feet. From 79 to 100 feet the soil was unbonded. The bonded soils encountered during our investigation are denoted on the boring logs and on the design and subsurface profiles.

The ground temperatures were measured in Borings D-1 and D-2 using down-hole thermistors. In Boring D-1 the ground temperatures, measured approximately 84 hours after the boring was completed, varied from -9.2°C at a depth of 5.7 feet to -2.5°C at a depth of 51.7 feet. In Boring D-2 the ground temperatures, measured approximately 71 hours after completion of the boring, varied from -13.3°C at a depth of 4.0 feet to -3.4°C at a depth of 49 feet.

c. Drill Site E

Drilling operations were conducted at the "E" site from March 6 through 8, 1980. At the proposed drill pad site the island varies in width (bank-to-bank) from approximately 480 to 600 feet. The surface elevation varies across the pad from 3.2 to 5.3 feet. Five test borings were drilled at the locations shown on Plate A-8 to depths of 51.5 to 101.5 feet. A generalized subsurface profile of the site is presented on Plate A-8.

The borings encountered Holocene deposits extending from the ground surface to depths of 28 to 33 feet. The surficial 9 to 13 feet of this deposit consists of fine to medium grained sand with occasional thin gravel layers in the upper five feet. The lower portion of the deposit consists of silty sand and sandy silt with some organics. The deeper sand is also fine to medium grained and the silt has a low plasticity.

The Holocene unit is underlain by late Pleistocene silt and clay which extend to the depths penetrated by the borings with the exception of a sand pocket or layer encountered in Boring E-1 at a depth of 86 feet.

In Borings E-1, E-3, and E-4 the subsurface soils were bonded from the ground surface to the depth penetrated by the borings. In Boring E-2 an unbonded zone was encountered from approximately 18 to 22 feet; seepage water was also encountered in this zone. In Boring E-5, unbonded zones were encountered from 13 to 18 feet and 22 to 29 feet.

The ground temperatures were measured in Boring E-1 using down-hole thermistors. The ground temperatures, measured approximately 50 hours after completion of the boring, varied from -19.4°C at the ground surface to -4.2°C at a depth of 50.5 feet.

d. Drill Site F

Drilling operations were conducted at the "F" site from March 9 through 12, 1980. The island is approximately 150 feet in width (bank-to-bank) at the proposed drill pad location. Surface elevations vary across the drill pad site from 0.9 to 4.9 feet. Five test borings

drilled at the site ranged in depth from 50.0 to 104.5 feet at the locations shown on Plate A-9. A generalized subsurface profile of the site is presented on Plate A-9.

A Holocene unit consisting of sand and silty sand extends from the ground surface to a depth of approximately 20 feet. The sand is fine to medium grained and the unbonded sand is dense to very dense. A gravel layer 1.5 to 3.0 feet thick was encountered in the upper 5 feet of several test borings.

The sand is underlain by late Pleistocene deposits consisting of interbedded silt, clay and organic silt to a depth of approximately 40 feet, and gray silty clay below a depth of 40 feet. The silt and clay generally have medium to low plasticity and the unbonded materials are soft to medium stiff. The gray silty clay extended to the depths penetrated by Borings F-2 through F-5 and to a depth of 77 feet in Boring F-1. Below 77 feet and extending to the depth penetrated, Boring F-1 encountered a later to middle Pleistocene stratum of gray sandy silty gravel.

The surficial soils were bonded to depths of 6 to 10 feet. Beneath the surficial bonded zone, an unbonded zone was encountered. The thickness of the unbonded zone varied from 3 feet in Boring F-3 to 33 feet in Boring F-2.

The ground temperatures were measured in Boring F-1 using down-hole thermistors. The ground temperatures measured approximately 156 hours after completion of the boring ranged from -21.1°C at the ground surface to -2.7°C at a depth of 53 feet.

e. Drill Site F2

Drilling operations were conducted at the "F2" site from March 12 through 14, 1980. At the proposed drill pad location the width of the island varies from approximately 290 to 340 feet (bank-to-bank). Surface elevations vary across the drill pad site from 2.6 to 4.9 feet. Five test borings were drilled at the locations shown on Plate A-10 to depths of 56.5 to 101.5 feet. A generalized subsurface profile of the site is presented on Plate A-10.

A Holocene unit consisting of sand and silty sand extends from the ground surface to a depth of approximately 24 feet. The sand is fine to medium grained and medium dense in the unbonded zones. A thin gravel layer was encountered in the upper five feet of several of the borings.

Underlying the sand is late Pleistocene silt and clay. The silt has a plasticity ranging from low to medium, while the clay plasticity ranges from medium to high. The upper portion of the stratum contains some organics. The silt and clay extended to a depth of 90 feet in Boring F2-1 where a sandy gravel was encountered to the depth penetrated by the boring.

The surficial soils were bonded from the ground surface to depths of 8 to 16 feet. The bonded soils are underlain by an unbonded zone varying in thickness from 6 feet in Borings F2-1 to 16 feet in Boring F2-5. Below this zone the soils were bonded to the depth penetrated by the borings.

The ground temperatures were measured in Boring F2-5 using down-hole thermistors. The ground temperatures, measured approximately 28 hours after the boring was completed, ranged from -20.8°C at the ground surface to -2.6°C at a depth of 55.8 feet.

B. Onshore Soil Investigations

1. Gravel Study - Field Exploration and Laboratory Tests

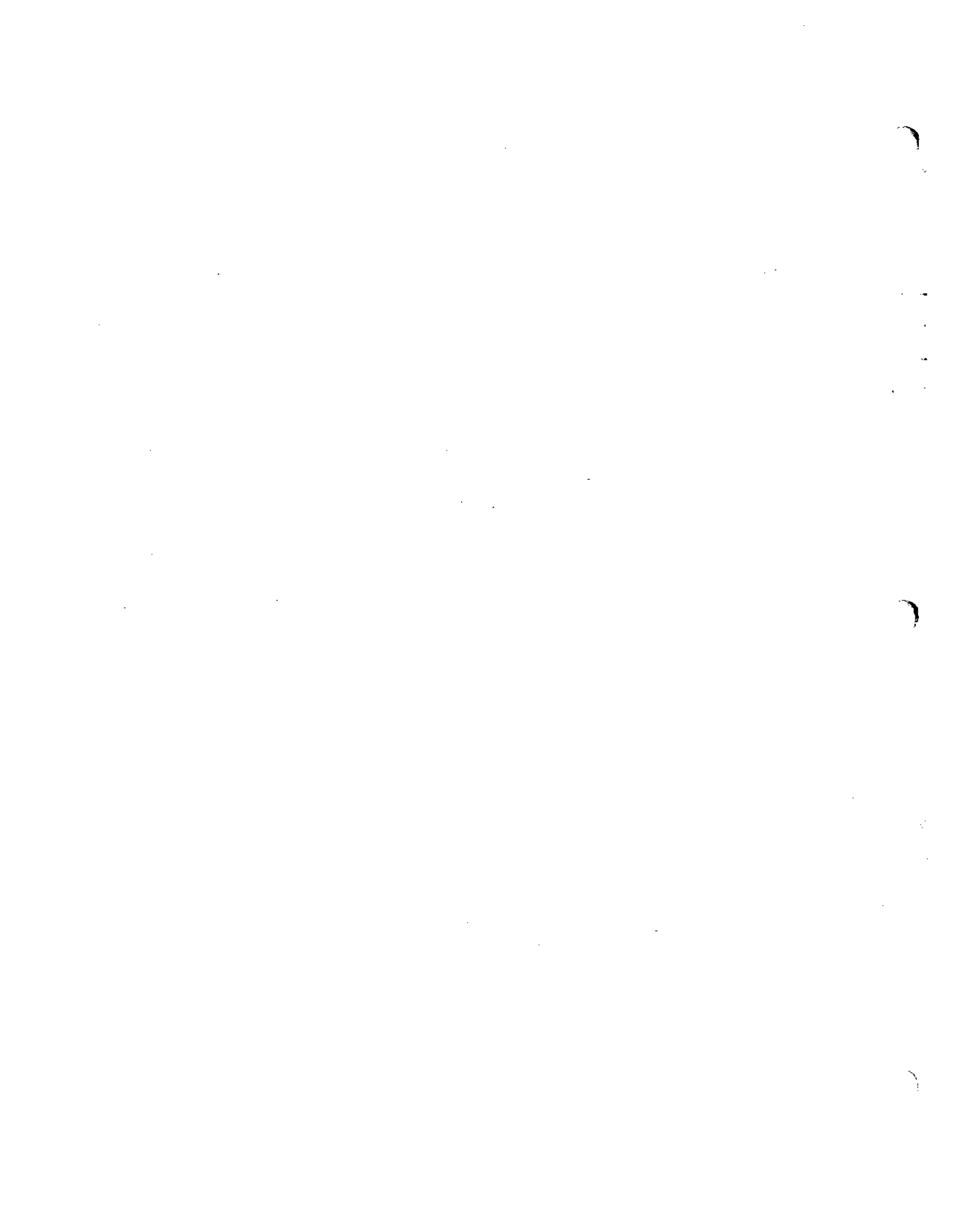
This onshore study was performed in March, April and May 1980 by HLA for Exxon Company, U.S.A. The purpose of the study was to locate sources of gravel material which could be used as construction material. A total of 118 borings were drilled. Various laboratory tests were performed on samples recovered from the borings.

The test borings drilled in the Point Thomson area in general encountered a surficial layer of organic soil (peat). Beneath the organic soil, a thin layer of sandy silt and silty sand were generally present. Usually, the silt and silty sand were common in the three to six-foot depth range. Beneath the silt and silty sand, gravelly sand and sandy gravel with variable amounts of silt were encountered to the depths explored.

In general, the ice content was greatest in the borings between the 3-foot and 10-foot depth and decreased below 15 feet. Massive ice layers were encountered in the 3 to 15-foot range in 22 of the borings. Ground ice constituted as much as 50 percent of the total soil volume in the upper 10 to 15 feet where fine-grained soils, such as silt, were present.

2. Field Density Tests - Field construction observation of frozen gravel fill placement at three drill sites in the Point Thomson area

HLA performed testing in March and April, 1980 for Exxon Company, U.S.A. in the project area. Field density and water content tests were performed on frozen gravel hauled from the Point Thomson C-1 material source located as shown on Plate A-1. Test results indicate that this material had an average dry density of 70 pounds per cubic foot and a water (ice) content of 25 percent.



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APPENDIX B
DRILLING INVESTIGATIONA. Surveying

Besse, Epps & Potts of Anchorage, Alaska provided horizontal control for the test boring program using a Motorola Mini Ranger III system. This system includes a range console, a receiver/transmitter, two reference stations, and peripheral equipment for data recording and range computations. One surveyor assisted occasionally by HLA personnel completed the survey program.

1. Horizontal Control

The position of each test boring was fixed relative to the positions of benchmarks and known survey locations near the project area. Initially, battery-powered remote stations were established at these sites. The distance between each test boring and the various control points were determined using the Mini Ranger III system. Given these known distances, and using the method of resection, the locations and coordinates of the test borings were established.

As each remote station answers to interrogations from the range console, the two-way travel time of radar frequency pulses is used to compute the distance between points. The system is accurate to ± 3 meters for a station separation of up to 40 nautical miles. The measured distances are continuously displayed on LED read-outs on the range console. Additionally, the information is supplied to peripheral equipment that provides hard copy records of time and distance data and computes the XY coordinates of the station.

2. Survey Program

The survey program was conducted in three phases. During the first phase, remote stations were established at the five survey control points listed in Table B-1. In phase two, the test borings were located and staked. Test Borings 1 to 17, 21, and 22 were located with a helicopter-mounted range console prior to the commencement of the drilling program. The remaining four sites, Test Borings 18, 19, 20, and 23, were established using the range console and data recording system mounted in a Rolligon. The final phase of the program involved determining the as-drilled locations of the test borings. The Rolligon-mounted unit was used to determine these locations, which are summarized in Table B-2.

TABLE B-1. UTM ZONE 6 COORDINATES FOR
THE SURVEY CONTROL POINTS

Control Point	East (X, feet)	North (Y, feet)
Hopson	1 699 321.65	25 542 594.67
Nygren	1 741 125.23	25 532 682.12
Thin	1 694 111.09	25 563 542.99
Point Thomson 4	1 688 925.76	25 543 214.63
Point Thomson 3	1 733 219.53	25 541 585.22

TABLE B-2. AS-DRILLED UTM ZONE 6 COORDINATES

Test Boring	East (X, feet)	North (Y, feet)
1	1 672 981	25 541 221
2	1 670 030	25 565 015
3	1 685 051	25 544 025
4	1 687 992	25 558 492
5	1 695 221	25 563 165
6	1 695 409	25 551 822
7	1 699 991	25 538 242
8	1 702 499	25 546 772
9	1 702 473	25 558 836
10	1 709 962	25 562 119
11	1 709 919	25 552 762
12	1 710 000	25 542 511
13	1 722 914	25 540 930
14	1 722 995	25 551 633
15	1 725 699	25 559 893
16	1 733 529	25 562 005
17	1 733 344	25 546 035
18	1 730 229	25 534 749
19	1 747 696	25 552 953
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B. Offshore Drilling Investigation

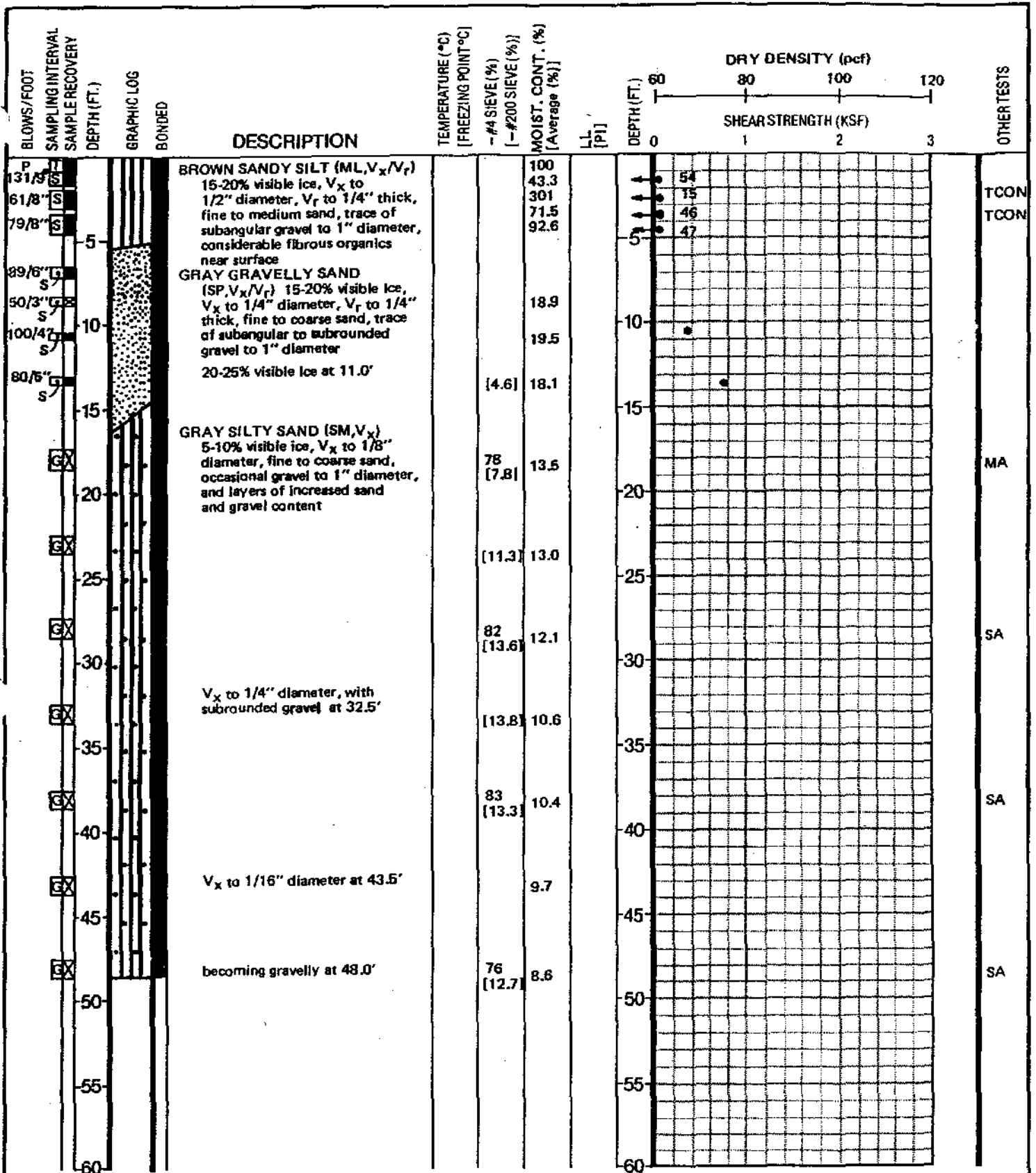
The soil conditions within the offshore area were investigated between March 3 and March 15, 1982 by drilling 18 test borings, ranging in depth from 25 to 80 feet. Additionally, pipe for ground temperature monitoring was installed in five test borings, as described in Appendix C.

The locations of the offshore test borings are shown on Plate II-2; the test boring logs are presented as Plates B-1 through 23 with the explanation of the symbols used on the test boring logs presented on Plate B-24.

HLA personnel involved in the offshore drilling included a geologist, a soil engineer, a drilling foreman, two drillers, and two drill helpers. Two drill crews, consisting of a geologist or engineer, a driller, and a drill helper, worked alternate 12-hour shifts to maintain around-the-clock drilling. The engineer or geologist directed the drilling operation, logged the soils encountered, and obtained representative samples for laboratory testing. The drilling foreman served as a Cat operator, back-up driller and a mechanic.

The offshore test borings were drilled using a sled-mounted Mobile Drill B-61 that was fully enclosed in a heated and insulated framed structure. The drill rig was equipped with casing, drill rods, and a mud pump for rotary wash rilling. Additionally, eight-inch O.D. hollow stem auger and a mud pit were available. Extra support equipment, including a 5 kw generator and a survival shed, was mounted on a support sled.

A Rolligon with a water-shack and driver was provided by Crowley All-Terrain Corporation (CATCO) to support the drilling operations. The Rolligon was used to transport crews, drag trails, and carry the surveying equipment.



UTM Coordinates: N 25 541 221
 E 1 672 981

Water Depth: ---

Equipment: Mobile B-61, 8" Hollow Stem Auger

SHEAR STRENGTH
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 △ - Compression Test

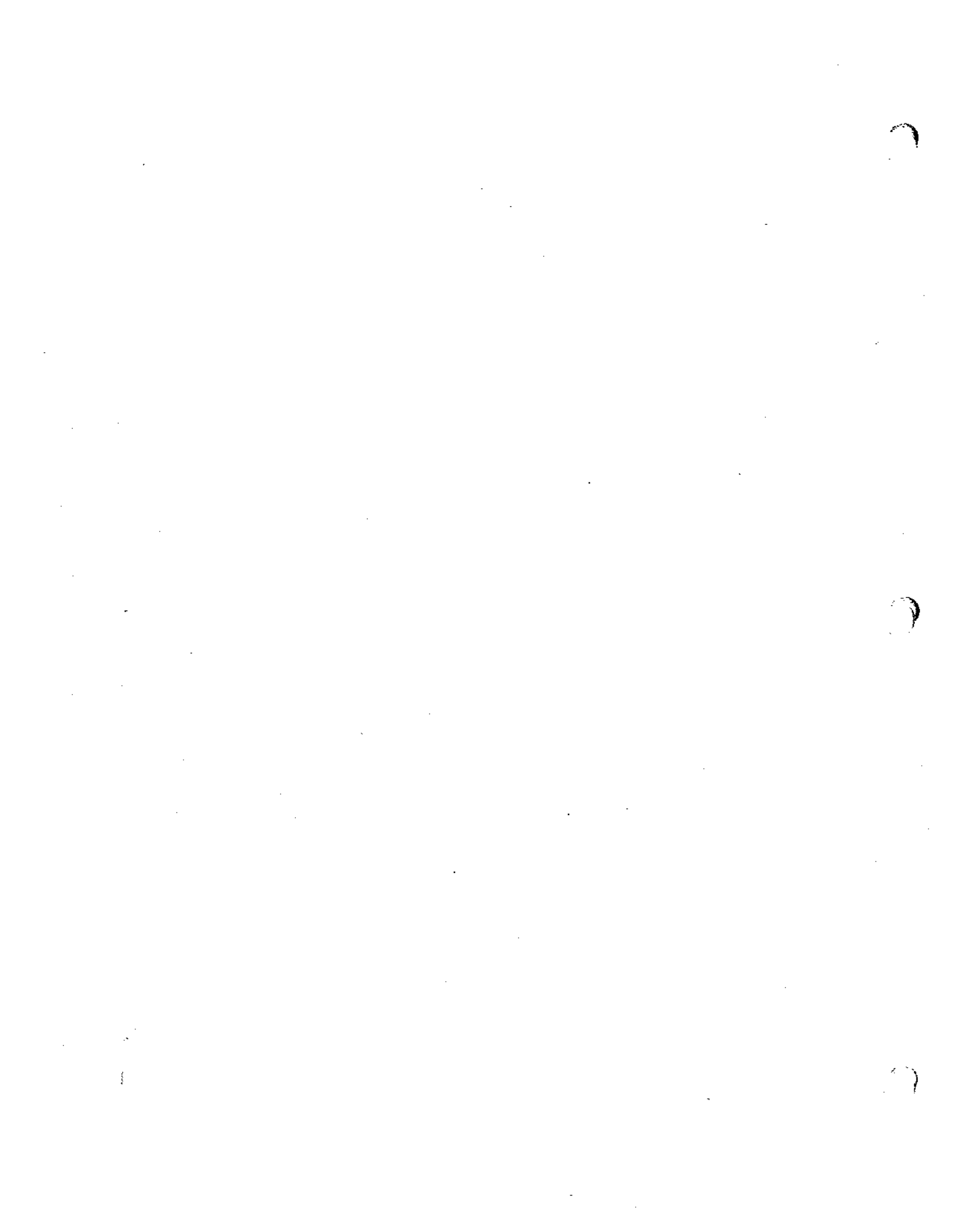


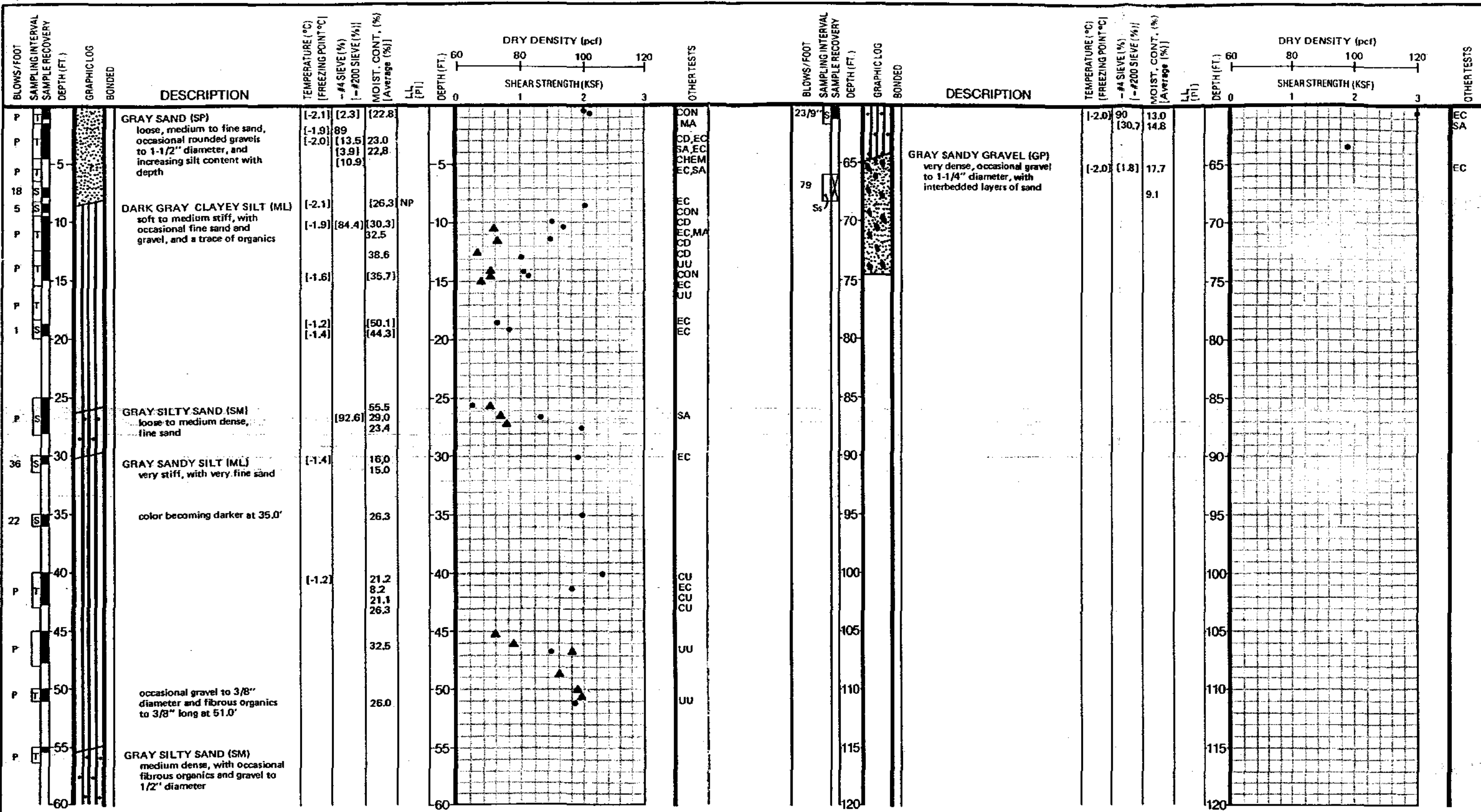
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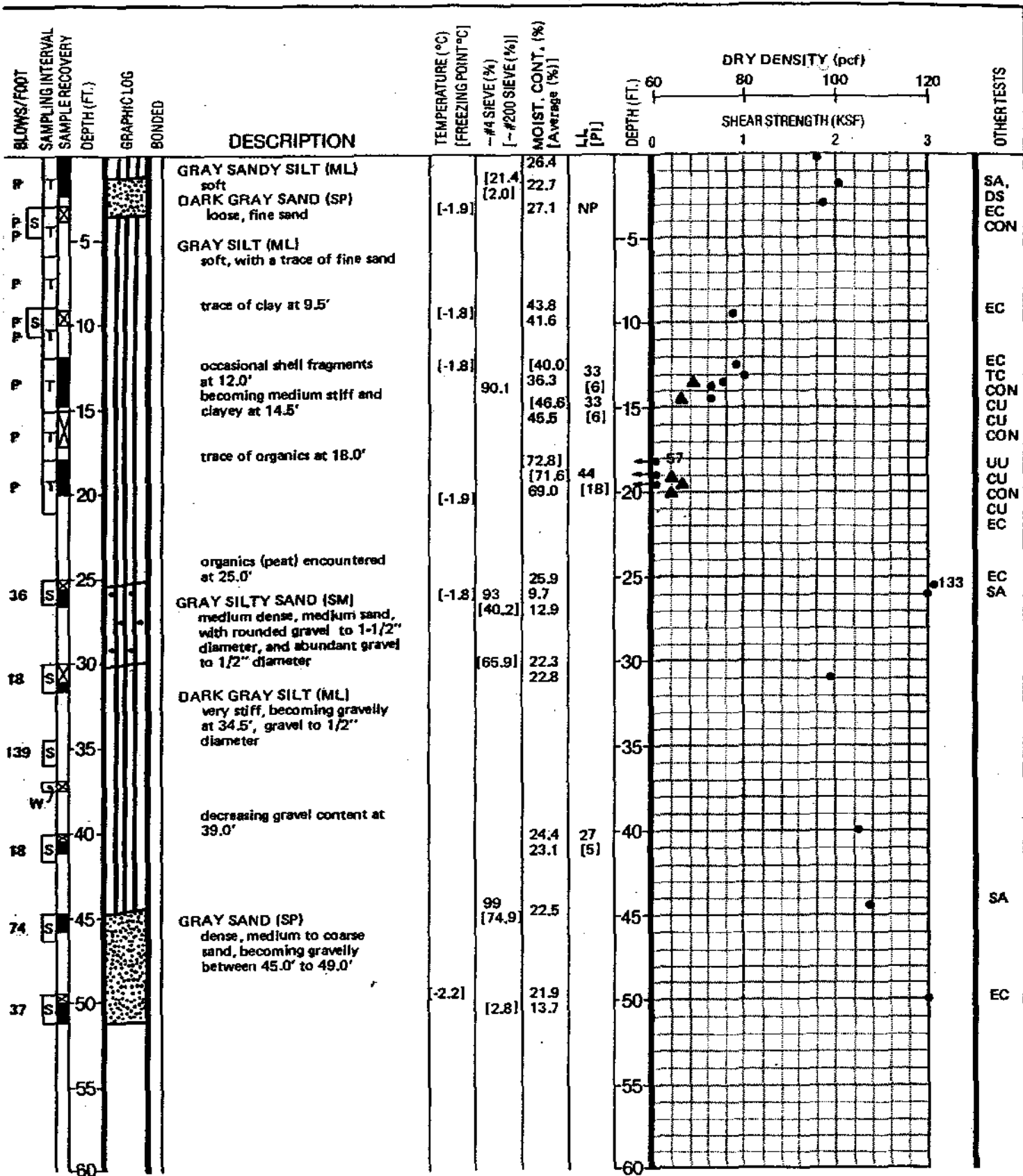


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E 1 670 030
Water Depth: 12.3'
Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

SHEAR STRENGTH
▲ - Torvane
△ - Compression Test

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Water Depth: 11.8'
Equipment: Mobile 8-61, Rotary Wash

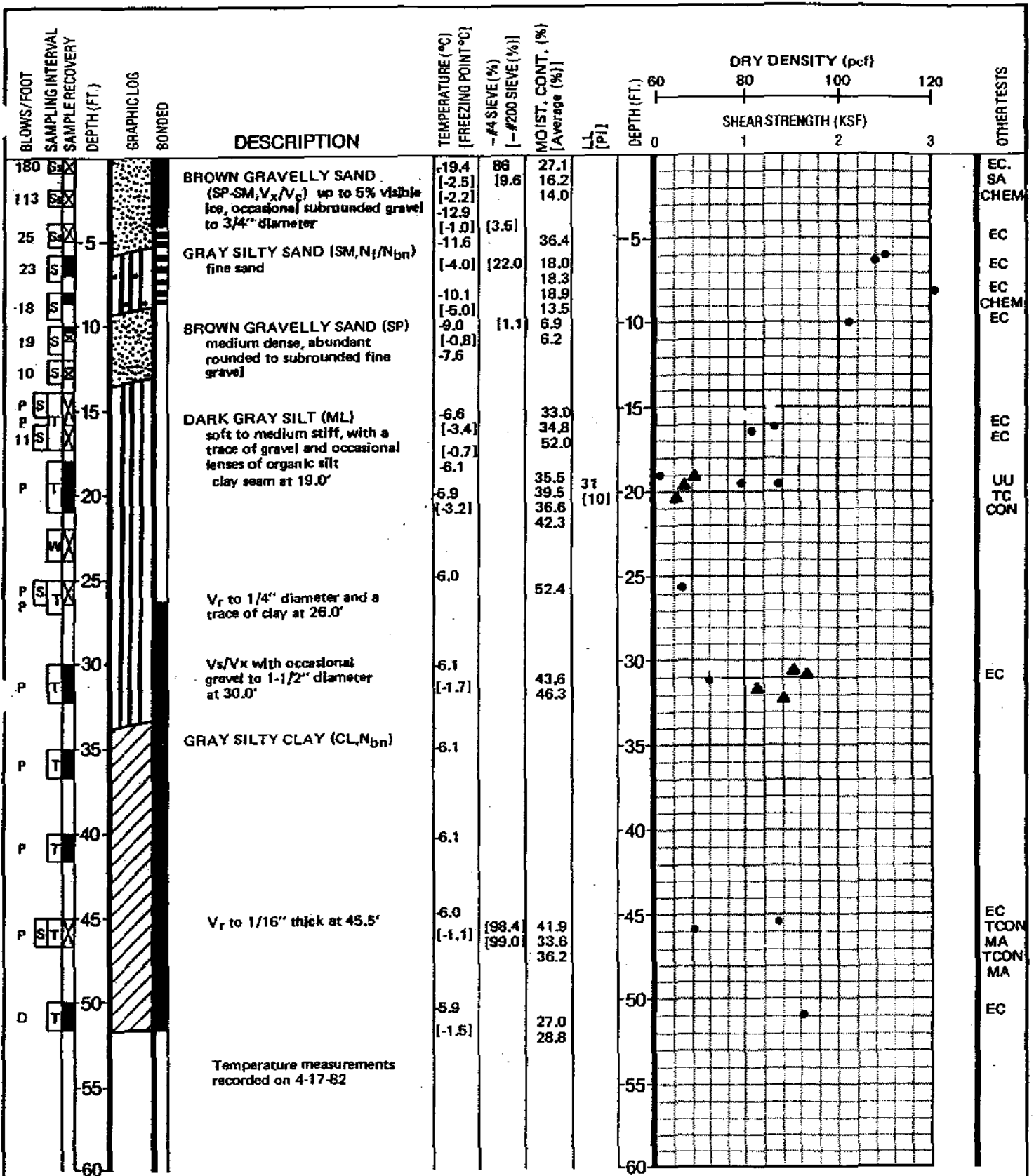
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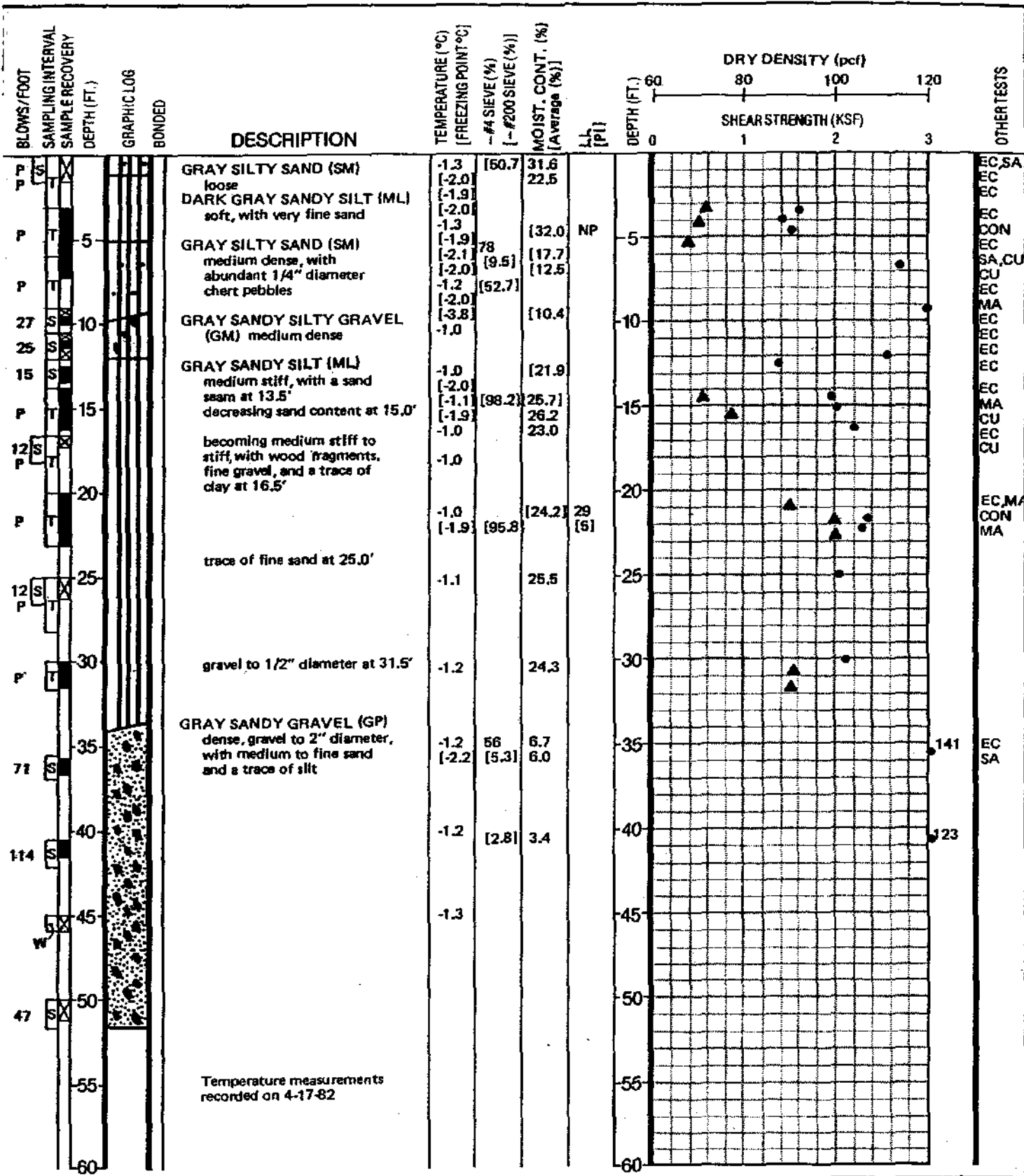


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E 1 695 221

Water Depth: 3.5'

Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

SHEAR STRENGTH
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△ - Compression Test



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E 1 695 409
Water Depth: 16.2'
Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

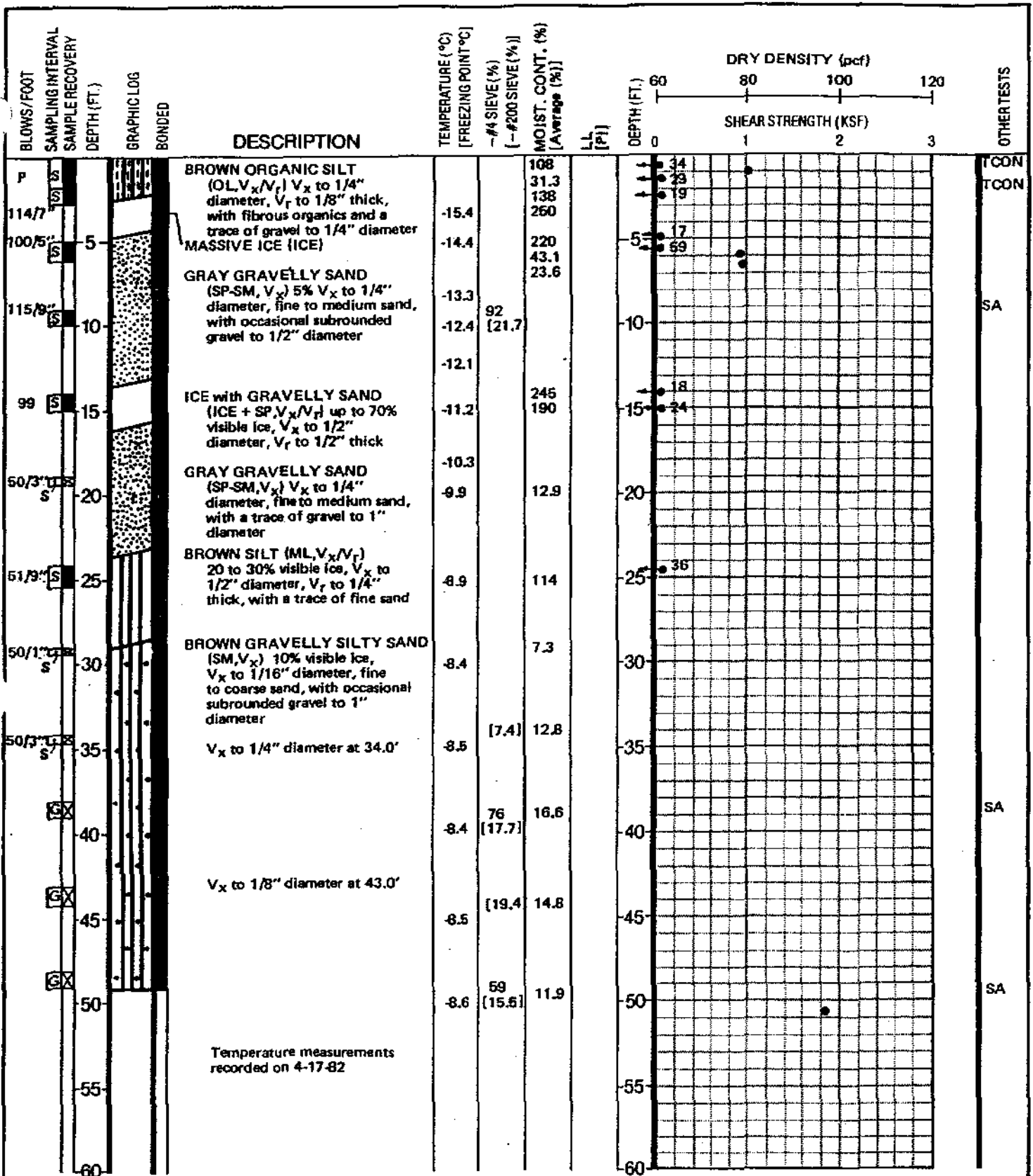
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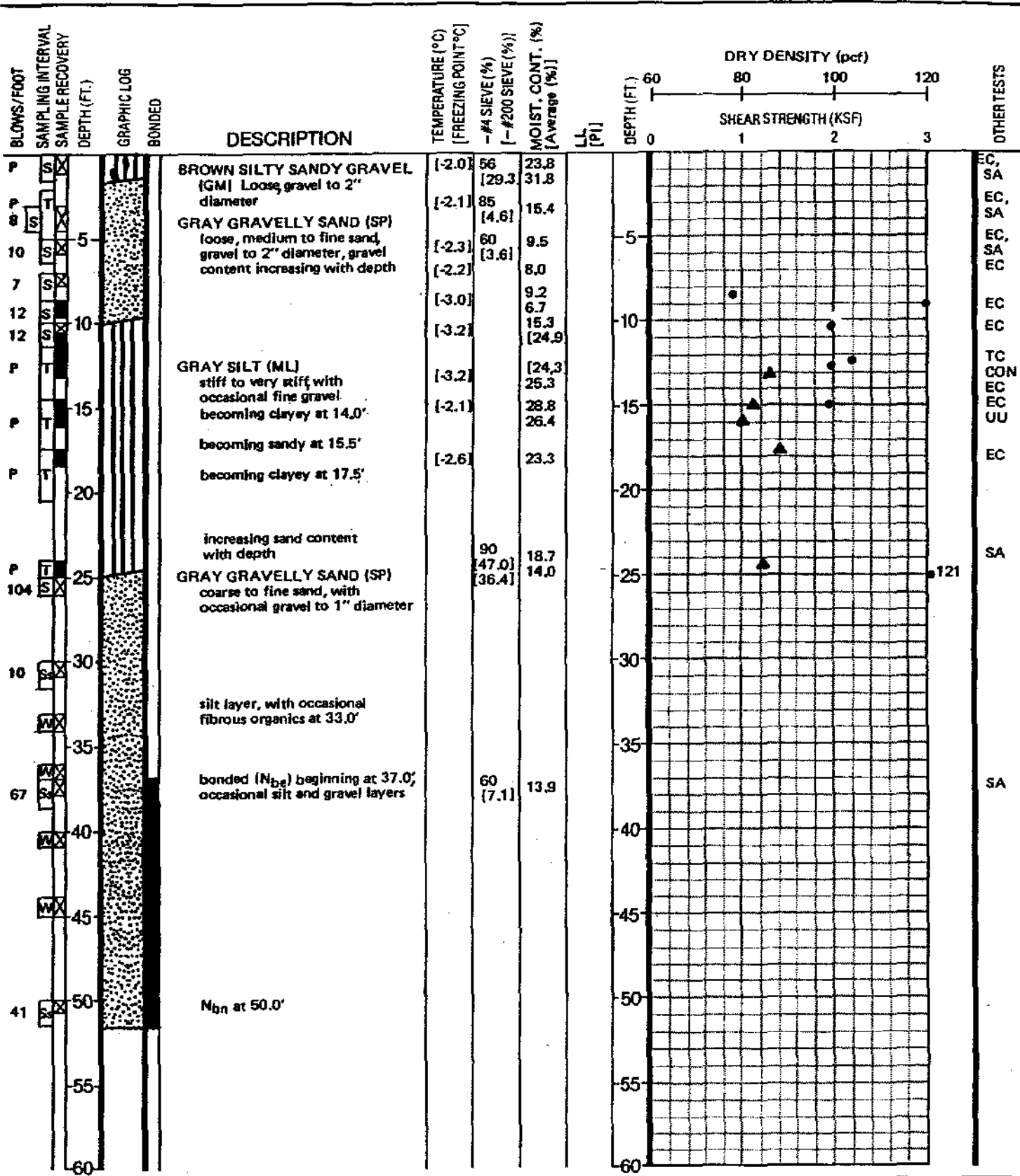


UTM Coordinates: N 25 538 242
 E 1 699 991

Water Depth: ---

Equipment: Mobile B-61, 8" Hollow Stem Auger

SHEAR STRENGTH
 ▲ - Torvane
 △ - Compression Test



UTM Coordinates: N 25 546 772
 E 1 702 499
 Water Depth: 8.5'
 Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

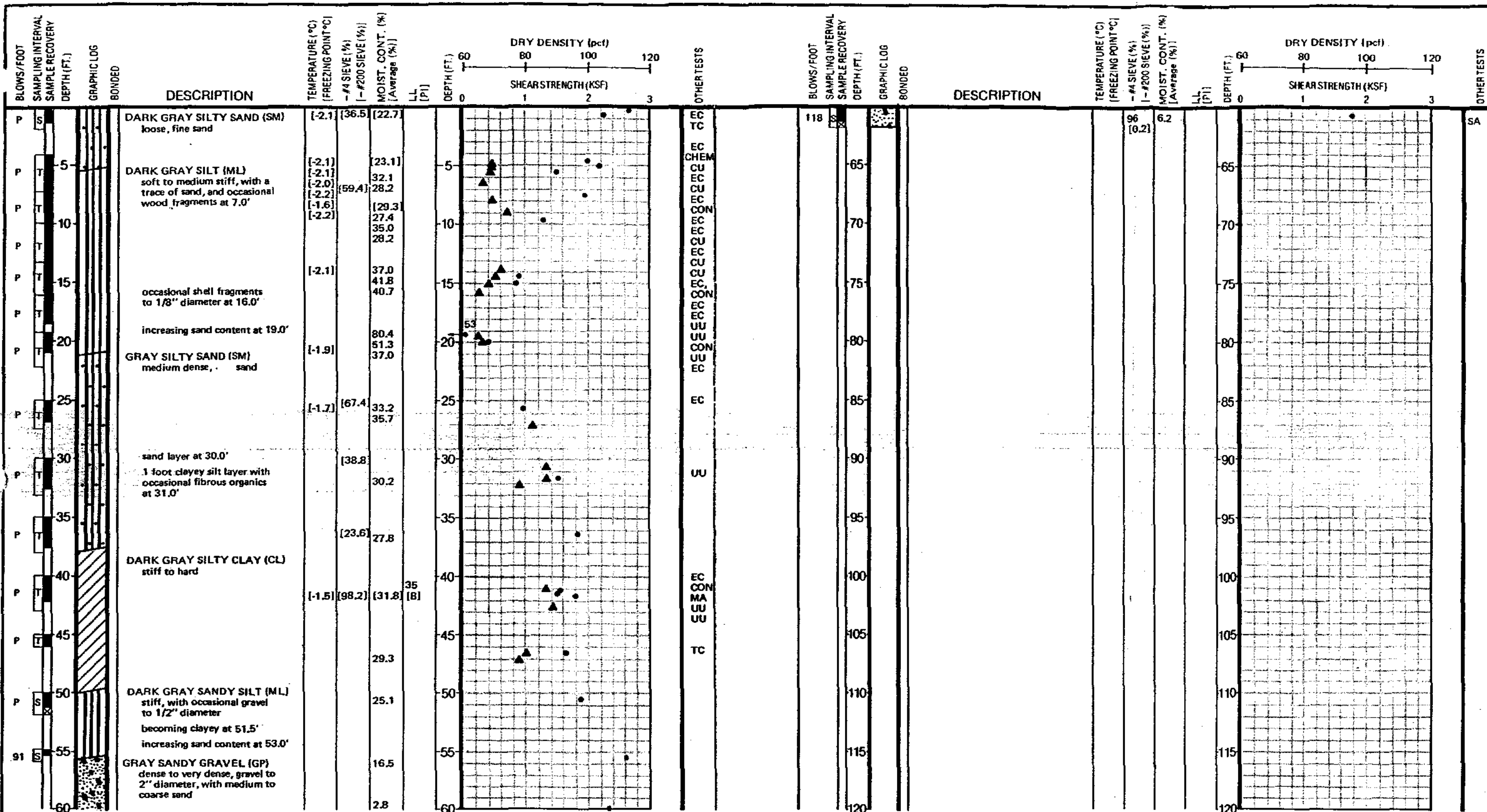
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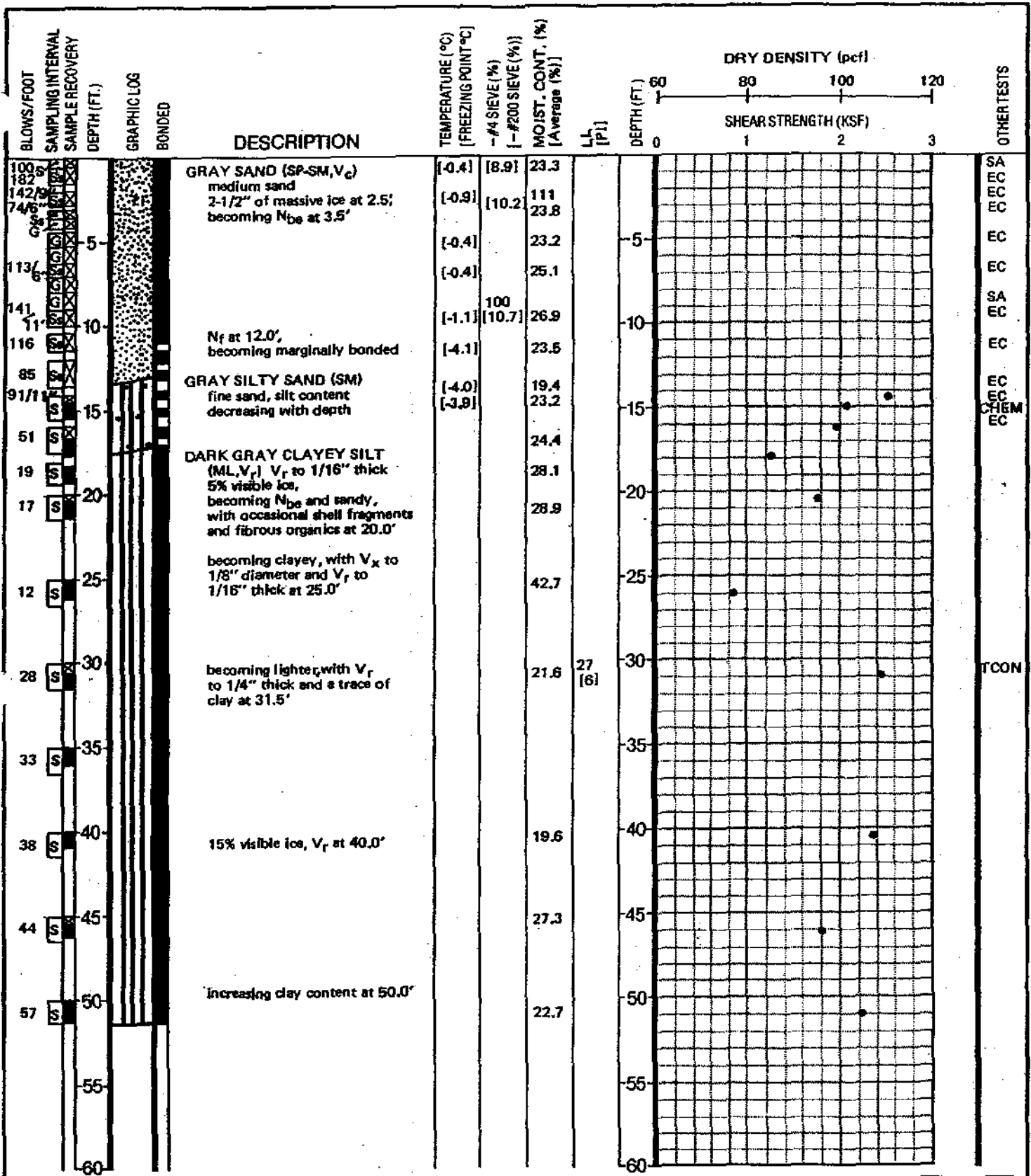
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UTM Coordinates: N 25 562 119
E 1 709 962

Water Depth: ---
Equipment: Mobile B-61, 8" Hollow Stem Auger

SHEAR STRENGTH

▲ - Torvane
△ - Compression Test



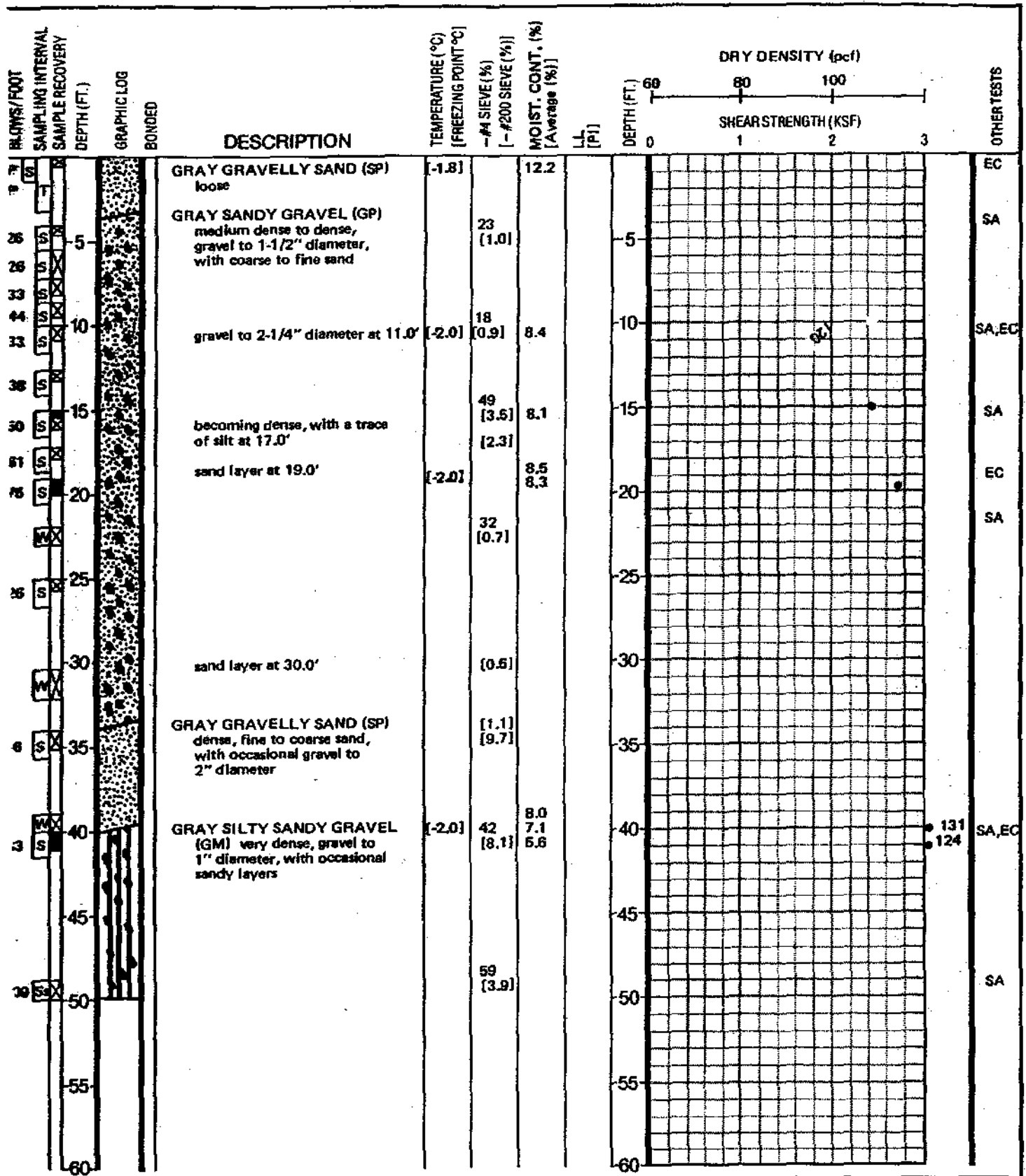
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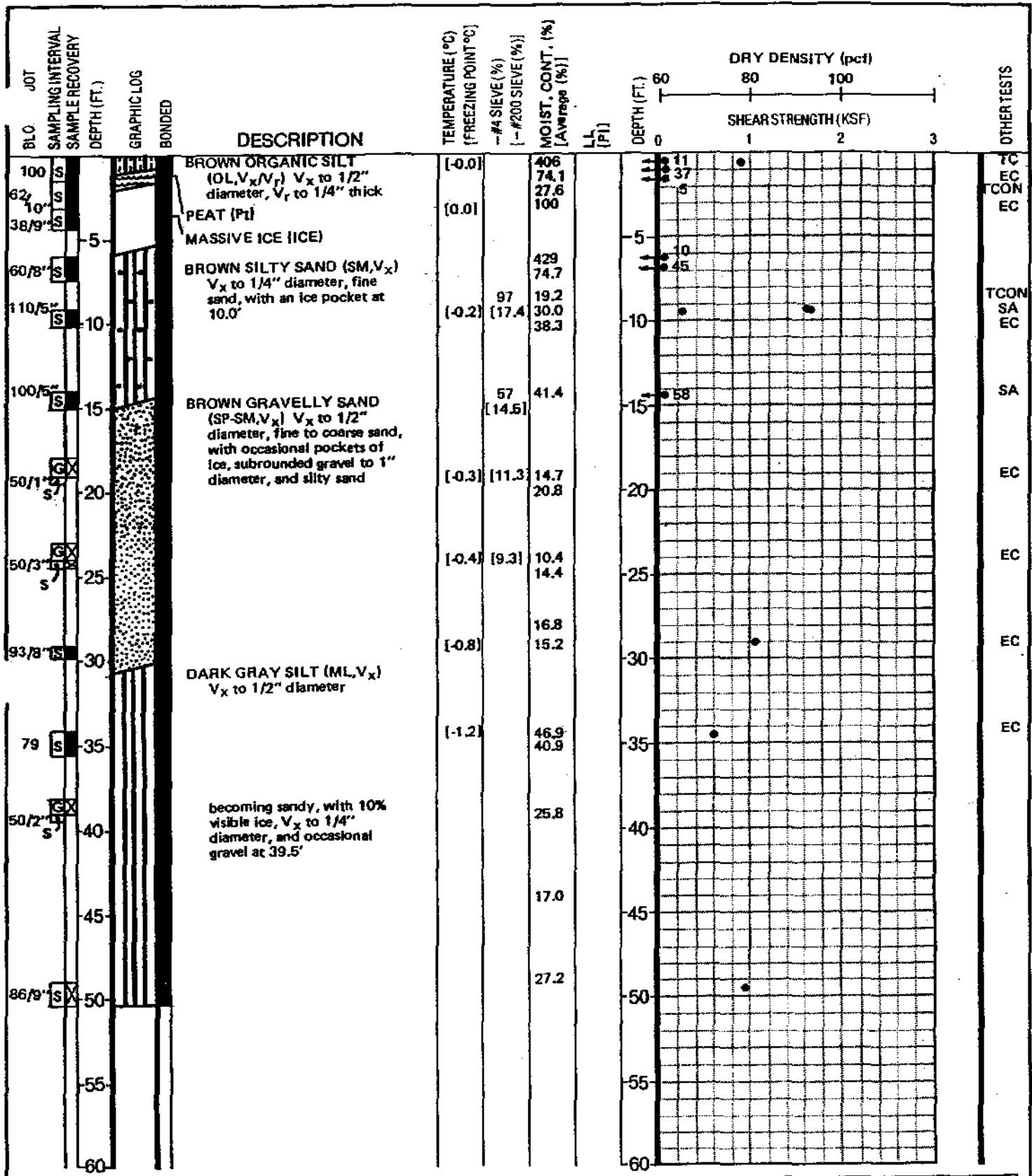
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Water Depth: 9.5'
Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

SHEAR STRENGTH
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△ - Compression Test

Date Completed: 3-11-82
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UTM Coordinates: N 25 542 511
E 1 710 000

Water Depth: ---
Equipment: Mobile B-61, 8" Hollow Stem Auger

SHEAR STRENGTH
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△ - Compression Test

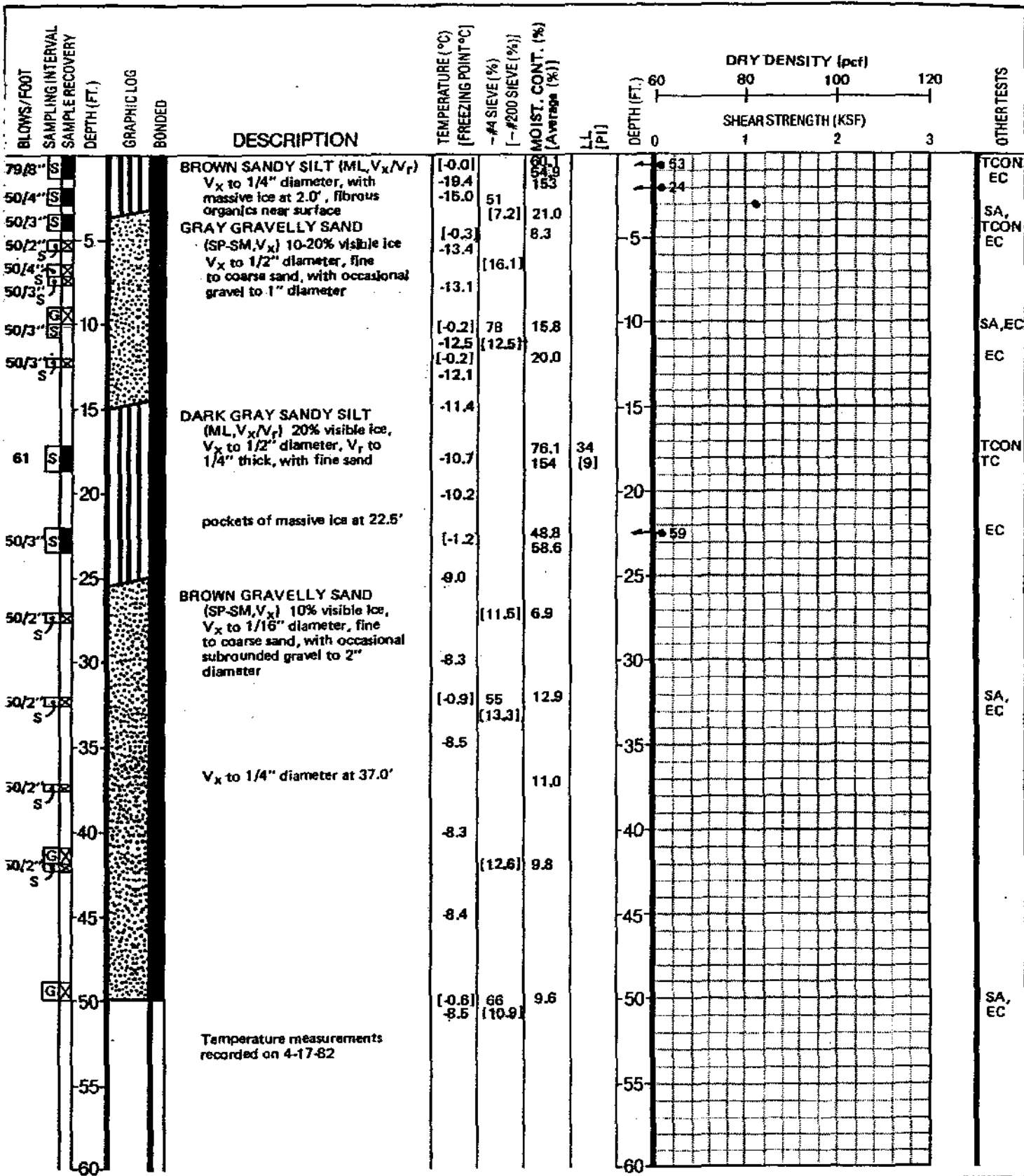
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UTM Coordinates: N 25 540 930
E 1 722 914

Water Depth: ---
Equipment: Mobile B-61, 8" Hollow Stem Auger

SHEAR STRENGTH
▲ - Torvane
△ - Compression Test

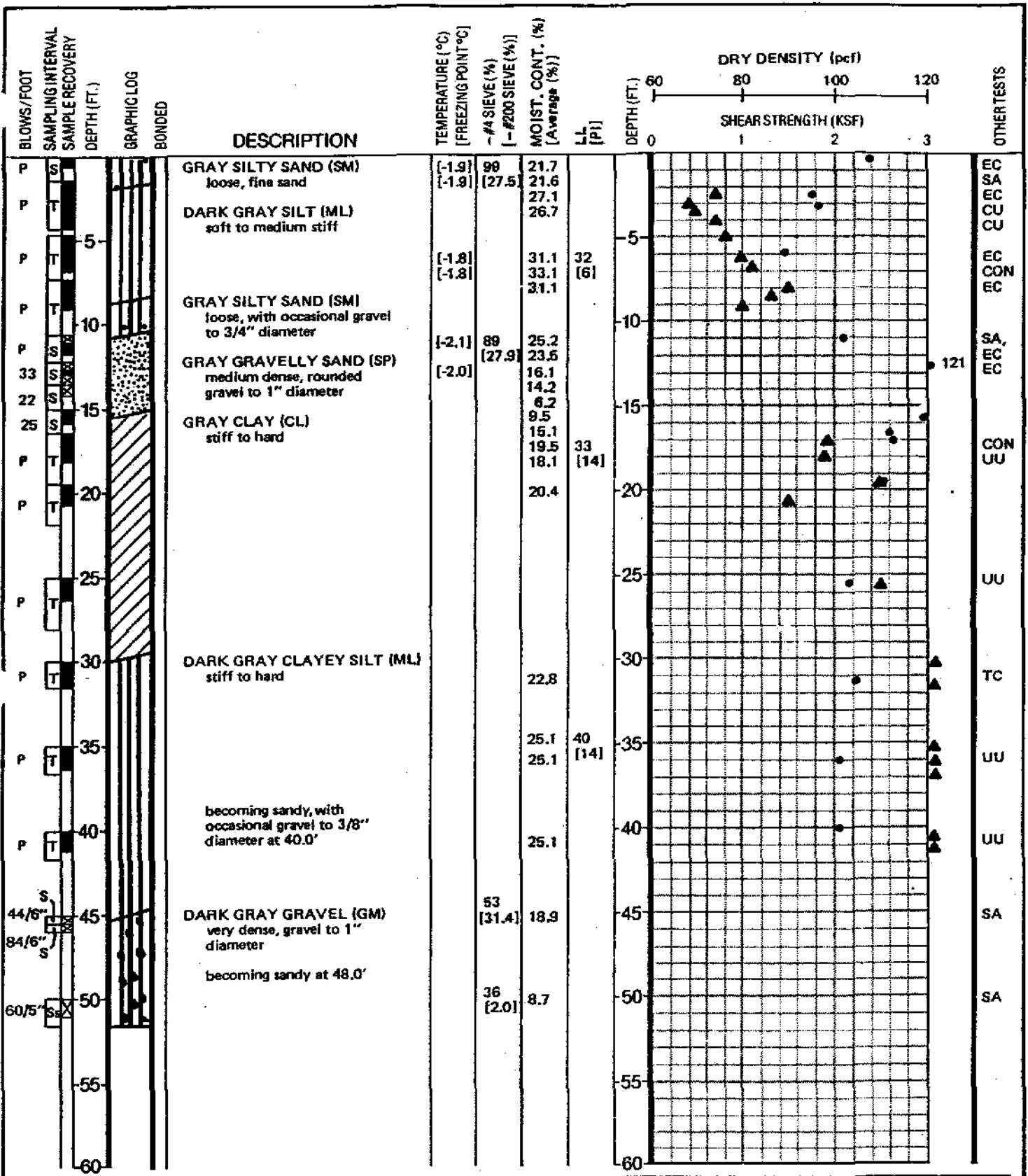


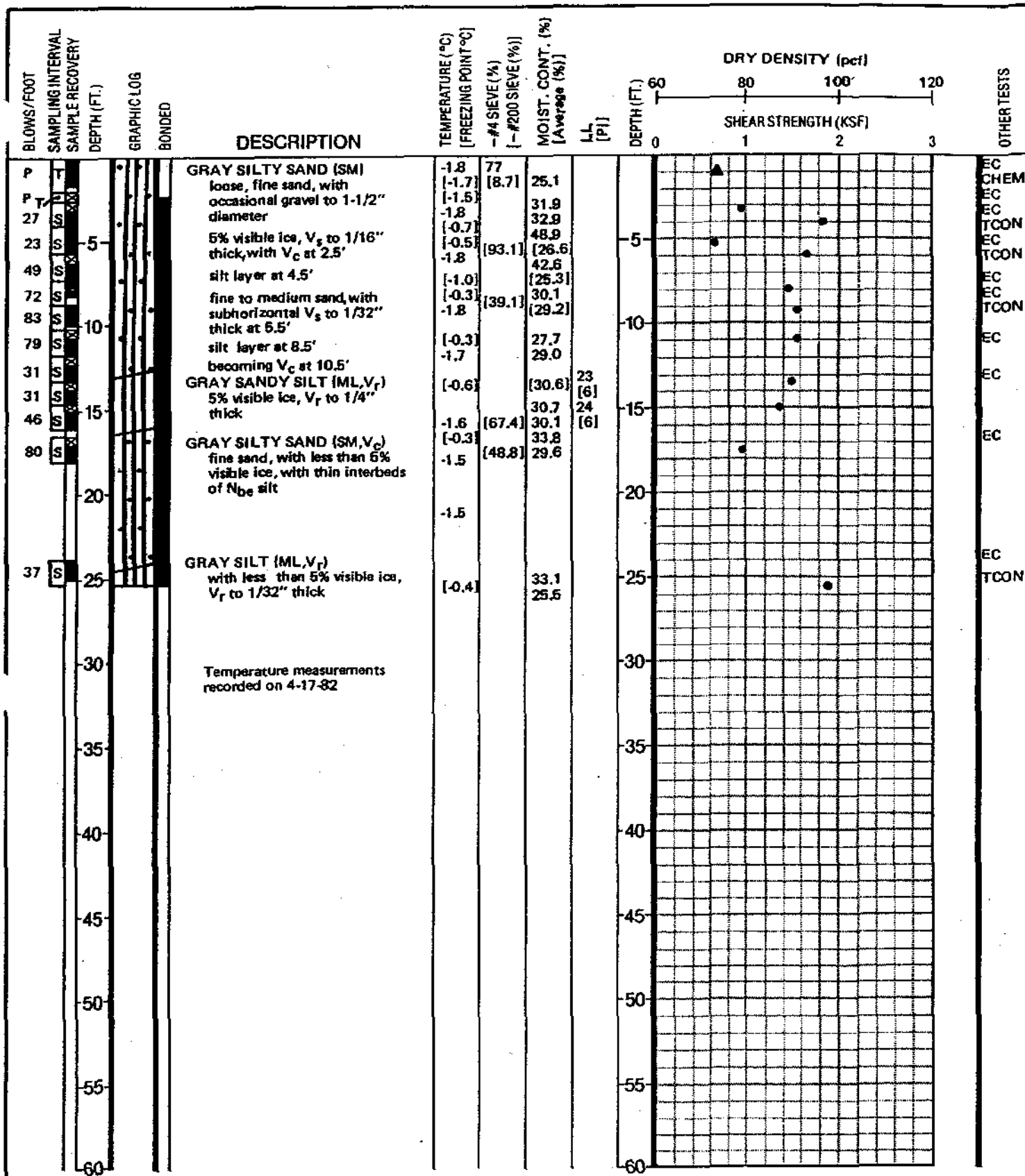
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UTM Coordinates: N 25 562 005
E 1 733 529
Water Depth: 31.0'
Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

SHEAR STRENGTH
▲ -- Torvane
△ -- Compression Test



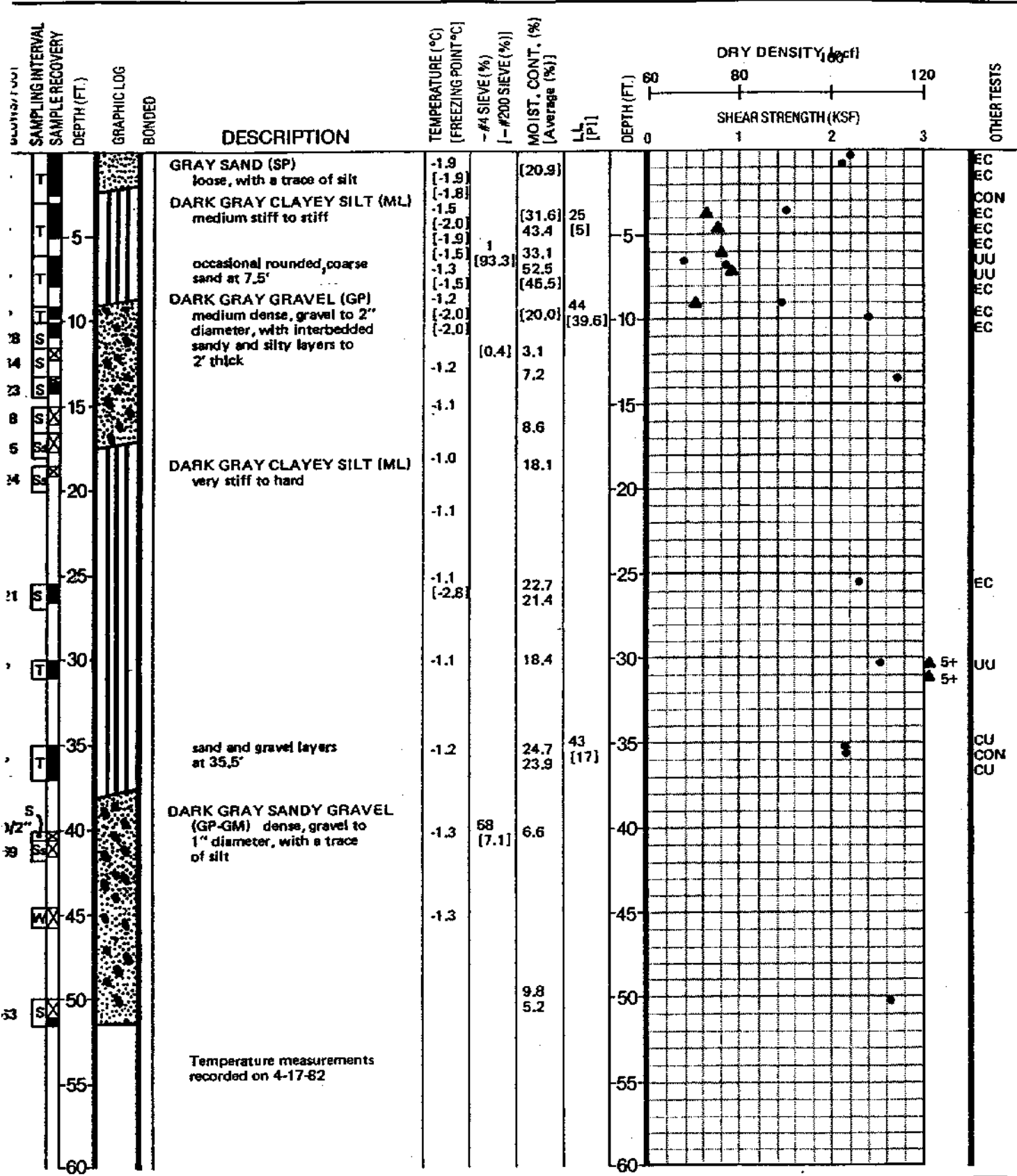
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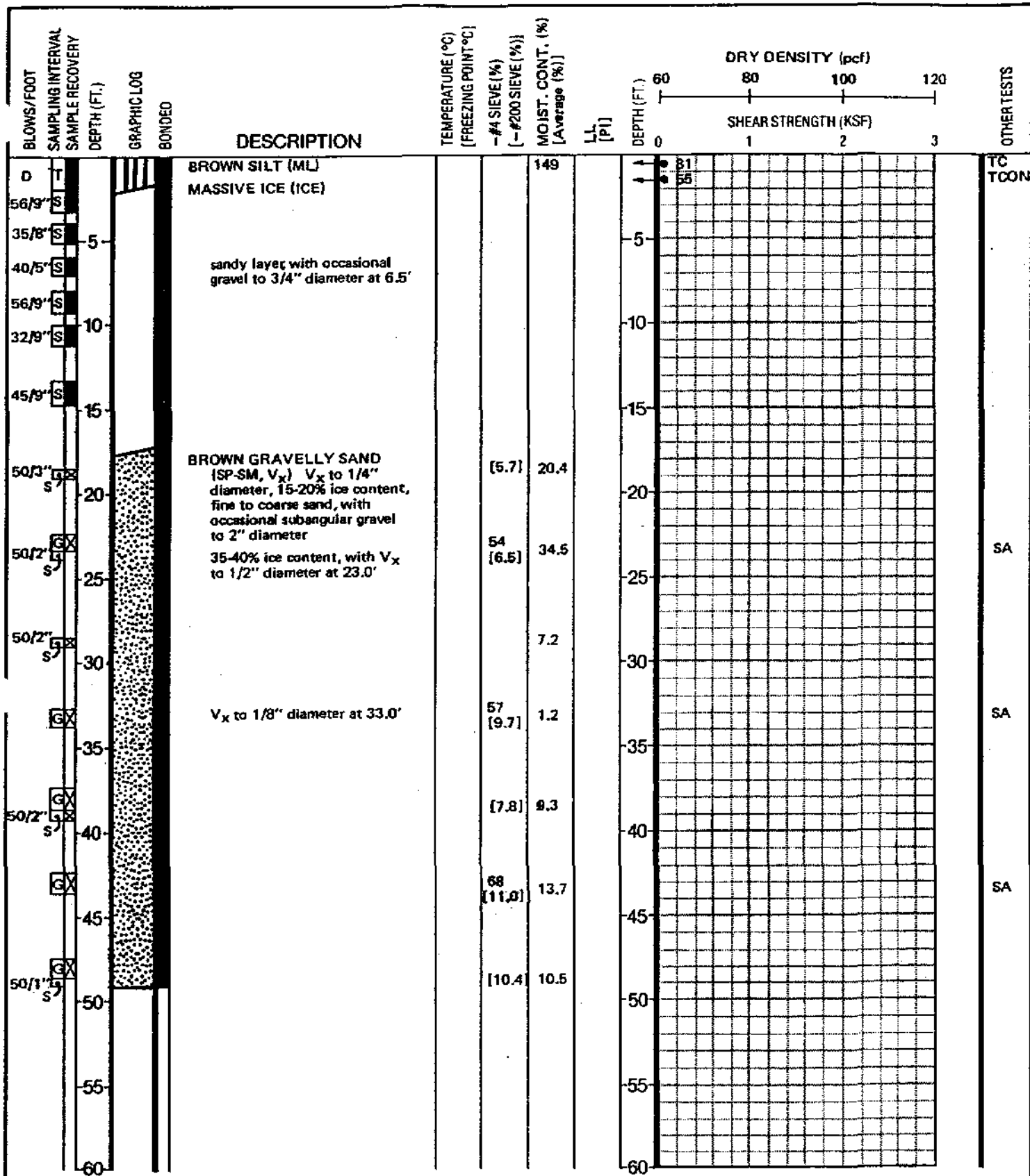


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Water Depth: 9.0'

Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

SHEAR STRENGTH
▲ - Torvane
△ - Compression Test



UTM Coordinates: N 25 534 749
E 1 730 229

Water Depth: ---
Equipment: Mobile B-61, 8" Hollow Stem Auger

SHEAR STRENGTH

▲ - Torvane
△ - Compression Test



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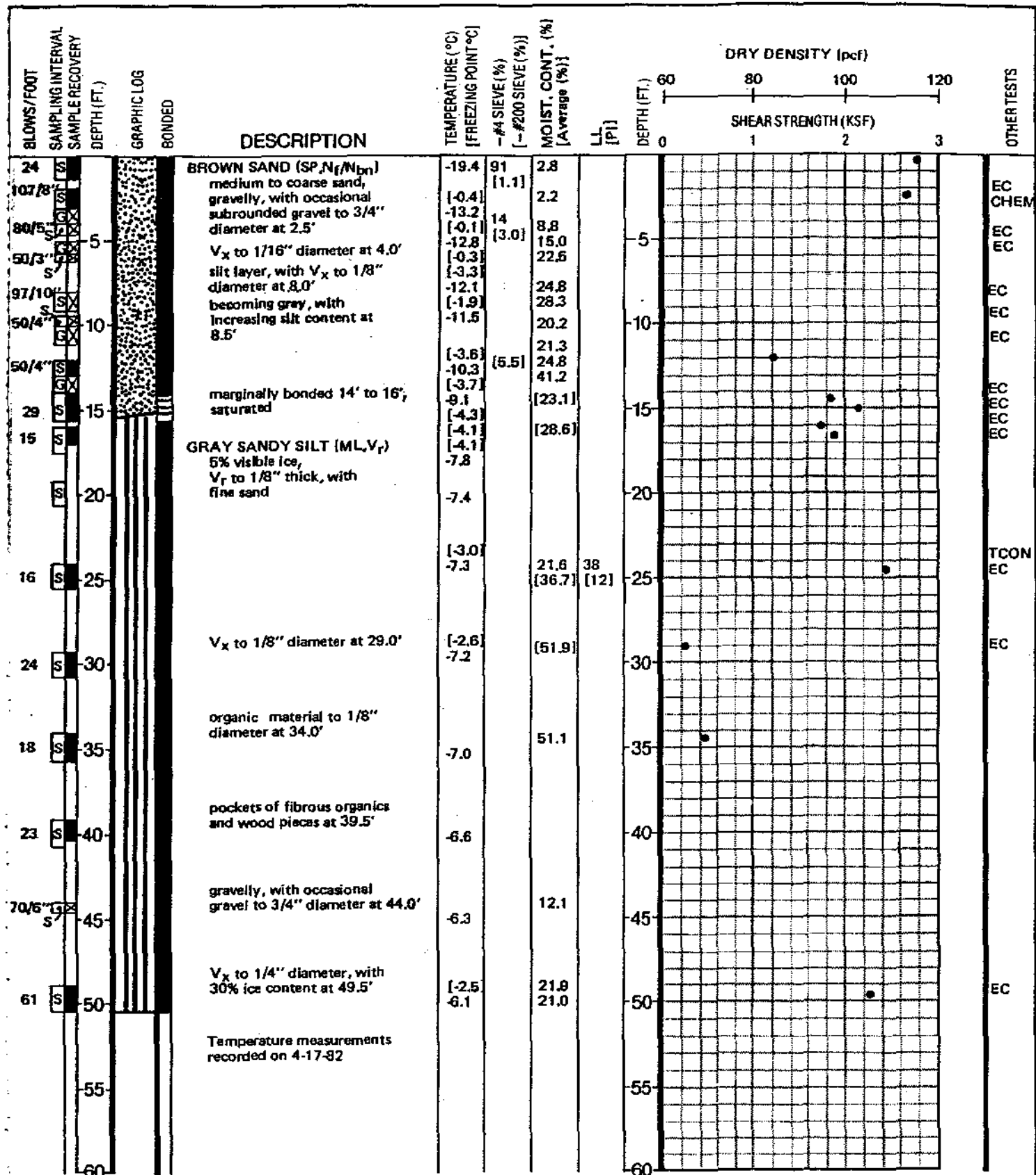
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Job Number: 9612,031.08



UTM Coordinates: N 25 552 953
E 1 747 696
Water Depth: ---
Equipment: Mobile B-61, 8" Hollow Stem Auger

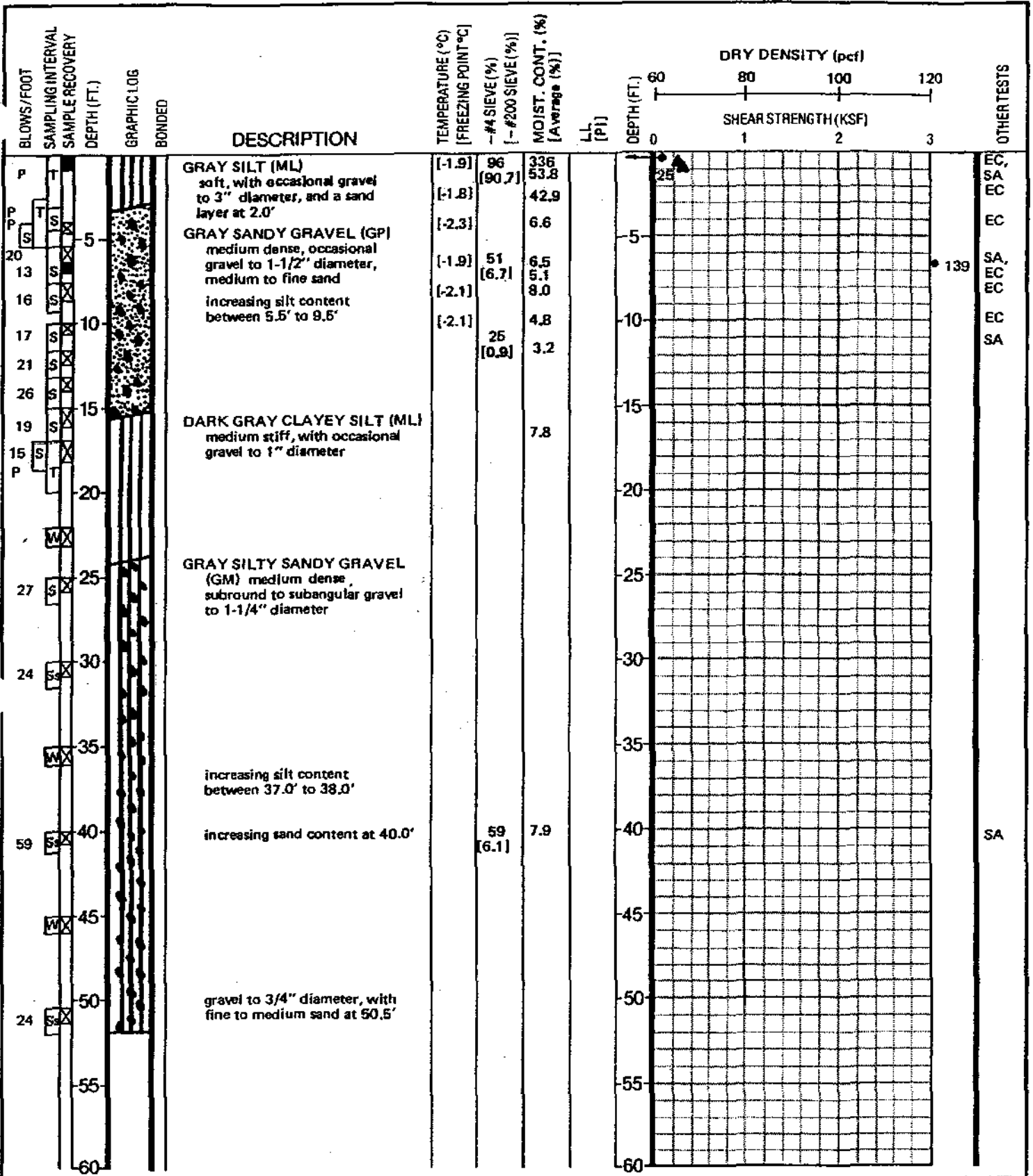
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UTM Coordinates: N 25 541 749
 E 1 739 000
 Water Depth: 8.8'
 Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

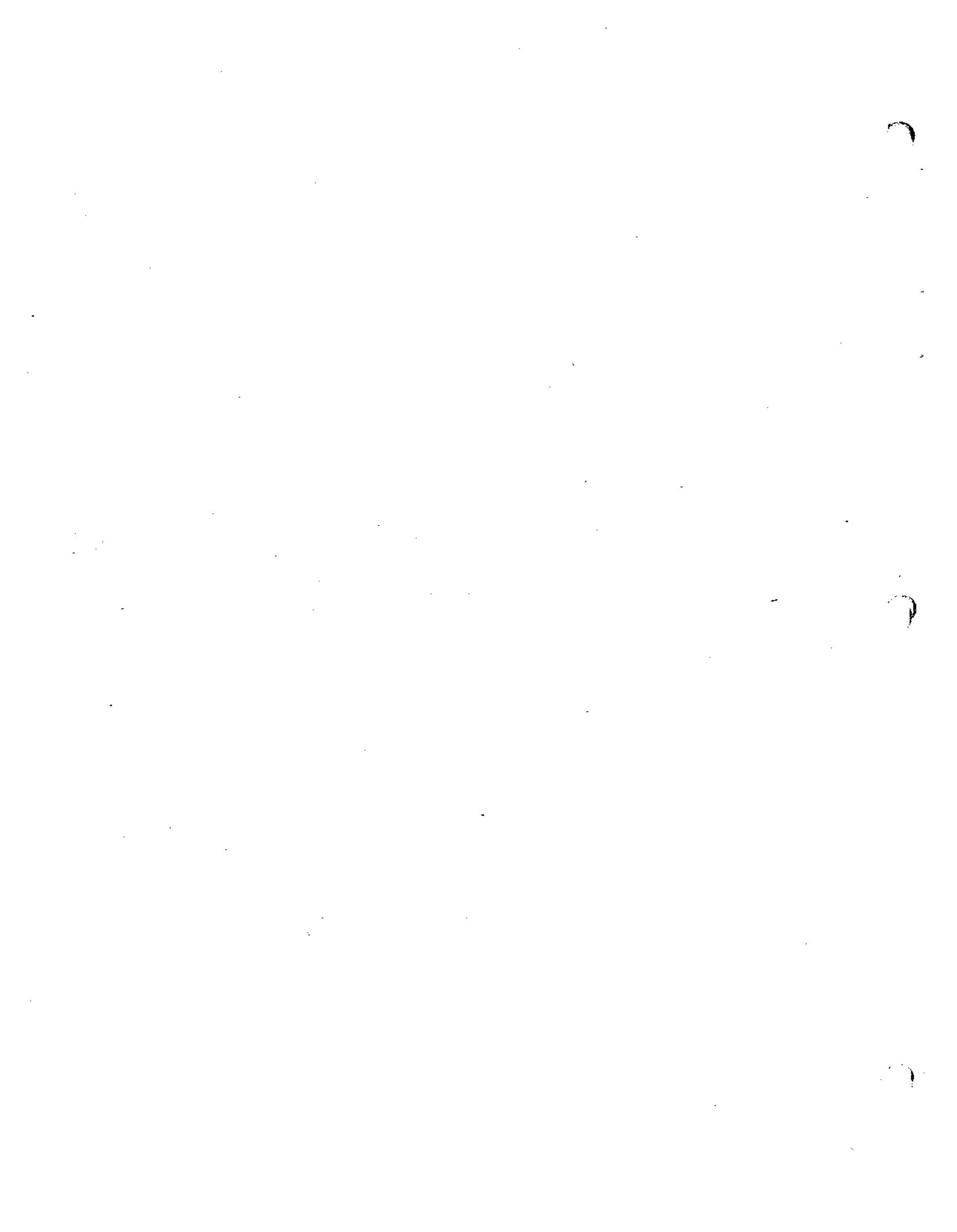
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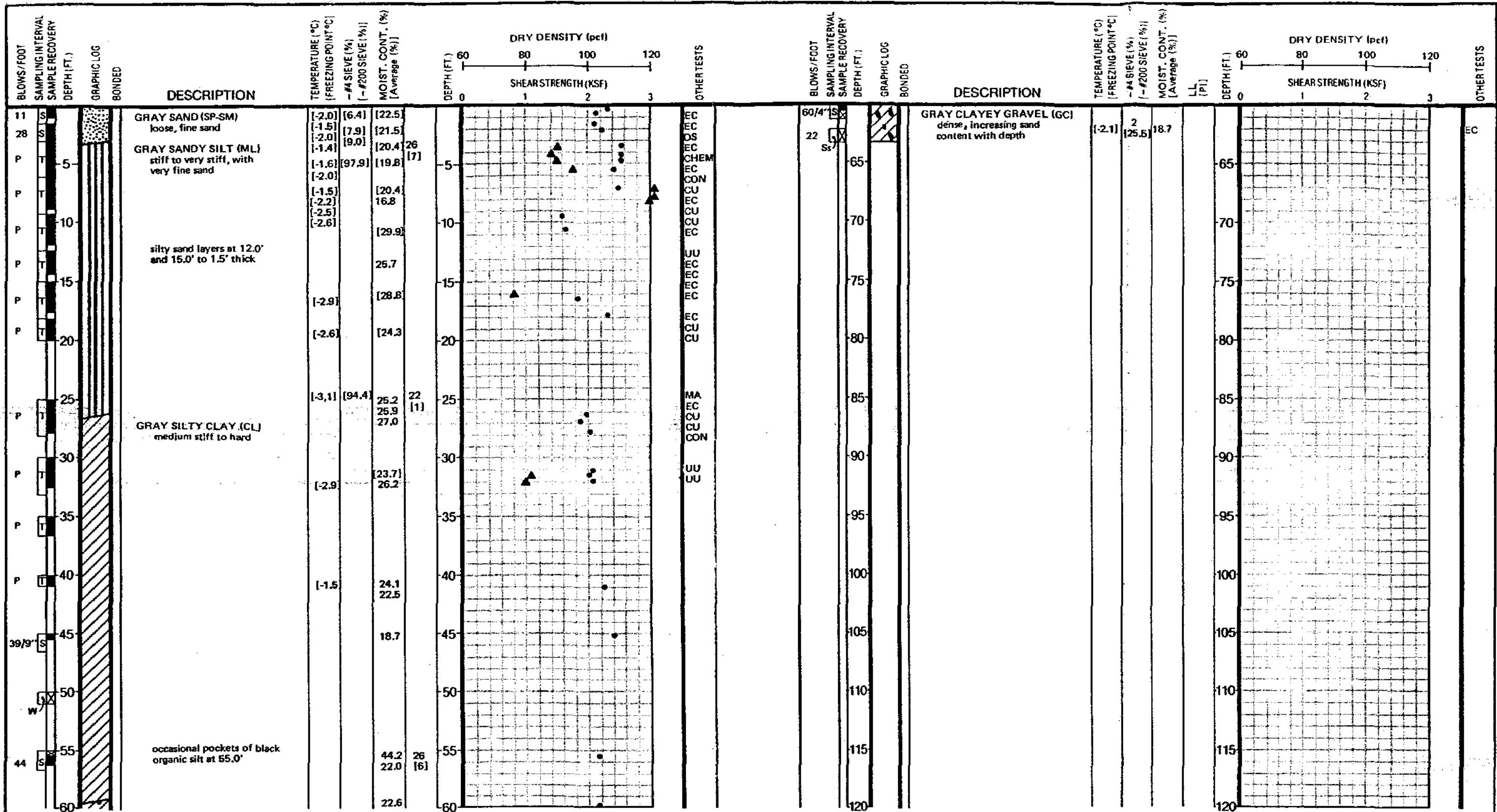
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UTM Coordinates: N 25 566 788
 E 1 705 180
 Water Depth: 25.0'
 Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

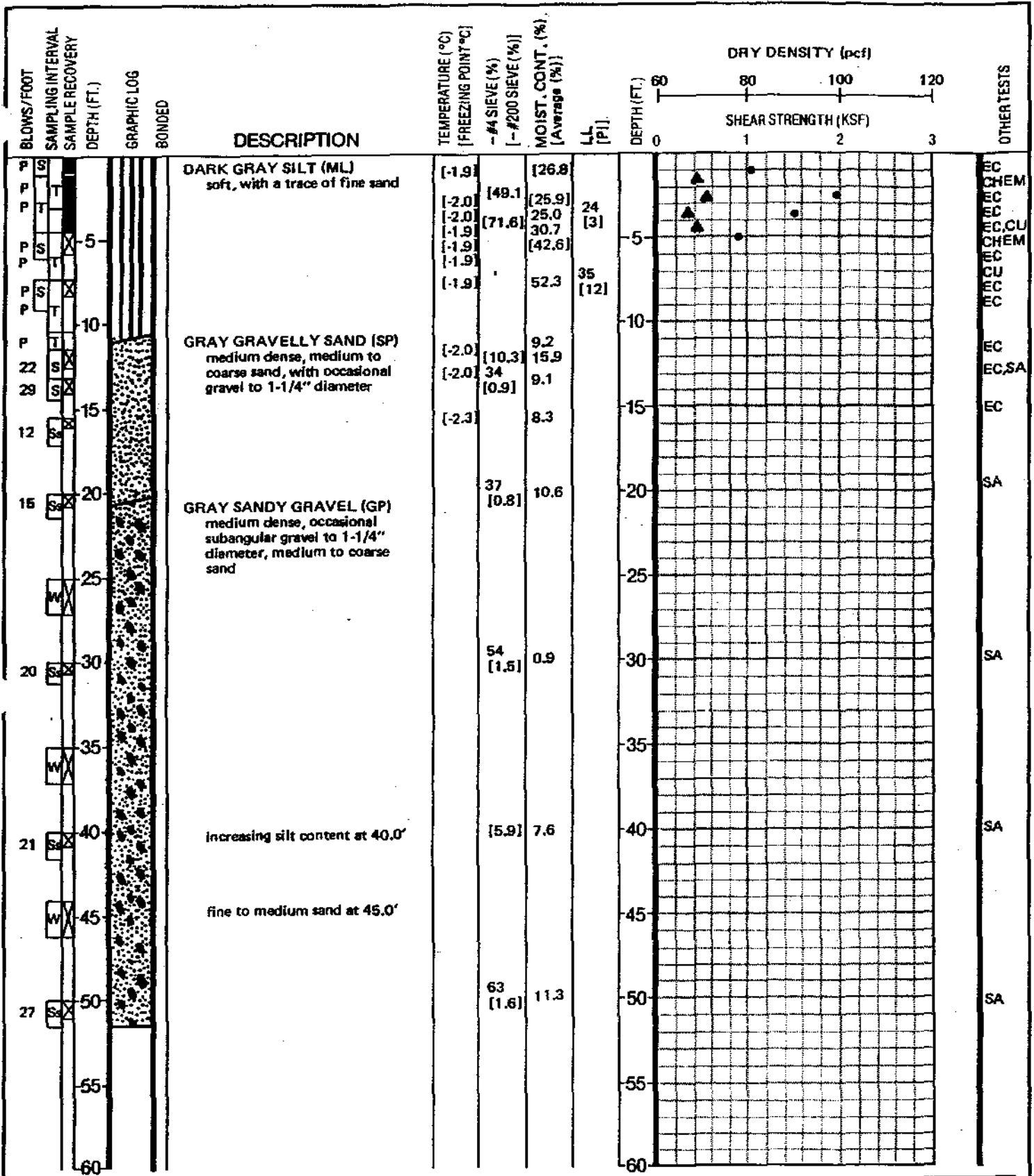
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PLATE
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UTM Coordinates: N 25 551 551
E 1 677 694
Water Depth: 15.0'
Equipment: Mobile B-61, Rotary Wash

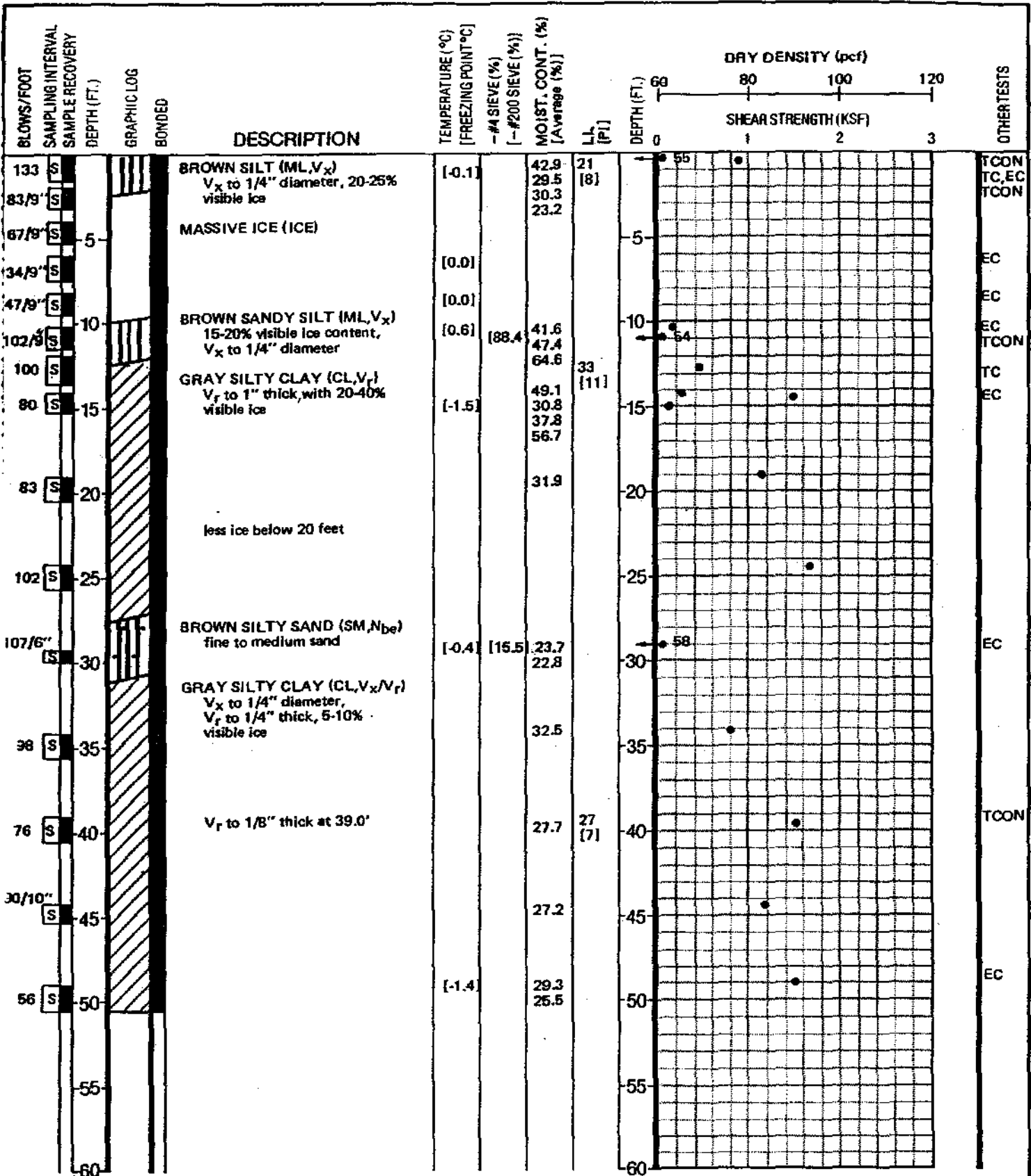
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PLATE
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UTM Coordinates: N 25 548 668
E 1 763 017

Water Depth: ---
Equipment: Mobile B-61, 8" Hollow Stem Auger

SHEAR STRENGTH

▲ - Torvane
△ - Compression Test

Date Completed: 3-11-82
Logged By: P.J. Ondra

Approved: *D&B*
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UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

MAJOR DIVISIONS		TYPICAL NAMES			
COARSE GRAINED SOILS <small>MORE THAN HALF IS LARGER THAN #200 SIEVE</small>	GRAVELS <small>MORE THAN HALF COARSE FRACTION IS LARGER THAN NO. 4 SIEVE SIZE</small>	CLEAN GRAVELS WITH LITTLE OR NO FINES	GW 	WELL GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES	
		GRAVELS WITH OVER 12% FINES	GM 	POORLY GRADED GRAVELS, GRAVEL - SAND MIXTURES	
		SANDS <small>MORE THAN HALF COARSE FRACTION IS SMALLER THAN NO. 4 SIEVE SIZE</small>	CLEAN SANDS WITH LITTLE OR NO FINES	SW 	WELL GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SANDS
			SANDS WITH OVER 12% FINES	SM 	POORLY GRADED SANDS, GRAVELLY SANDS
	FINE GRAINED SOILS <small>MORE THAN HALF IS SMALLER THAN #200 SIEVE</small>	SILTS AND CLAYS <small>LIQUID LIMIT LESS THAN 50</small>	ML 	INORGANIC SILTS AND VERY FINE SANDS, ROCK FLOUR, SILTY OR CLAYEY FINE SANDS, OR CLAYEY SILTS WITH SLIGHT PLASTICITY	
			CL 	INORGANIC CLAYS OF LOW TO MEDIUM PLASTICITY, GRAVELLY CLAYS, SANDY CLAYS, SILTY CLAYS, LEAN CLAYS	
			OL 	ORGANIC CLAYS AND ORGANIC SILTY CLAYS OF LOW PLASTICITY	
		SILTS AND CLAYS <small>LIQUID LIMIT GREATER THAN 50</small>	MH 	INORGANIC SILTS, MICACEOUS OR CHATOMACEOUS FINE SANDY OR SILTY SOILS, ELASTIC SILTS	
			CH 	INORGANIC CLAYS OF HIGH PLASTICITY, FAT CLAYS	
			OH 	ORGANIC CLAYS OF MEDIUM TO HIGH PLASTICITY, ORGANIC SILTS	
HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS		PI 	PEAT AND OTHER HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS		

KEY TO TEST DATA

- CON - Consolidation
- TCOM - Thaw Consolidation
- LL - Liquid Limit (In %)
- PL - Plastic Limit (In %)
- G_s - Specific Gravity
- SA - Sieve Analysis
- MA - Mechanical Analysis
- UU - Unconsolidated Undrained Triaxial
- CU - Consolidated Undrained Triaxial
- CD - Consolidated Drained Triaxial
- UC, F - Unconfined Compression, frozen
- EC - Electrical Conductivity
- TC - Thermal Conductivity
- PI* - Nonplastic

KEY TO SAMPLE TYPE

- T - Shelby Tube
- S - 3" Split Spoon
- S₂ - 2" Split Spoon
- W - Rotary Wash
- G_b - Driven Thickwalled Tube
- G - Grab
- P - Pushed
- - "Undisturbed" Sample
- ⊠ - Bulk or Grab Sample

ICE DESCRIPTIONS

GROUP SYMBOL	ICE VISIBILITY AND CONTENT	SUBGROUP	
		DESCRIPTION	SYMBOL
N	Segregated ice not visible by eye	Poorly bonded or friable	N _f
		Well bonded	N _b
		Excess ice microscopic	N _{be}
V	Segregated ice is visible by eye, ice one inch or less in thickness	Individual ice crystals or inclusions	V _x
		Ice coatings on particles	V _c
		Random or irregularly oriented ice formations	V _r
		Stratified or distinctly oriented ice formations	V _s
ICE	Ice greater than one inch in thickness	Ice with soil inclusions	ICE + soil type
		Ice without soil inclusions	ICE



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Unified Soil Classification and Key to Test Data

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It was also used on occasion to move the drill rig between test borings. Because rough ice conditions necessitated slow travel time, most rig moves were accomplished using the D-6 Cat. A Tucker "Sno-cat" was occasionally used to transport crews.

The drill crews were quartered in a 16-person sled-camp stationed on the ice at Point Hopson. The camp was equipped with sleeping units, kitchen, shower, water shack, and a diesel generator for electrical power. Communications were maintained between the camp and drilling enclosure and between the camp and CATCO operations office using radios.

1. Drilling Methods

With the exception of Borings 19 and 23, the offshore test borings were drilled with rotary wash techniques utilizing sea water drilling fluid.

The criteria for determining the total depth of drilling were as follows:

1. In all cases, a minimum depth of 50 feet below the ground surface or mudline
2. Five feet into coarse-grained soil (gravels or gravelly soil)
3. Fifteen feet into ice-bonded soil

Each test boring was cased with 4-inch I. D. casing from the enclosure deck to at least 10 feet below mudline. Additional casing was used when the test boring would not stay open during either the drilling or sampling operations. The casing was advanced and retracted using a 300-pound safety drop hammer. Borings 19 and 23 were drilled with 8-inch O.D. hollow stem auger and a Nodwell-mounted B-61 drill rig as described in Section C of this Appendix.

2. Sampling Methods

Sampling was performed continuously to at least 15 feet below mudline and at 5 to 10 foot intervals throughout the remaining depth of the test borings. The four types of samples and the procedures used to obtain samples are discussed in the following sections. The symbol in parentheses following the sample type appears on the test boring logs and designates the sampling method used. The symbol corresponds to those presented on the Test Boring Key Sheet, Plate B-24.

a. Undisturbed Samples (T)

Undisturbed samples were taken with Shelby tubes in accordance with ASTM Test Method D 1587-74. The Shelby sampler was a 2.87-inch I.D. by 36-inch long steel tube. The tube was placed at the bottom of the test boring and pushed (P) by the hydraulic system of the drill rig approximately 34 inches into the soil or to refusal. This method was used in soft to stiff silts and clays and in loose to medium dense sands.

b. Drive Samples (S) and (Ss)

Drive sampling was performed by driving a split-spoon sampler either 18 inches into the soil or to refusal. Two sizes of split-spoon were used depending upon the soil conditions. A 2.4-inch I.D. by 3.0-inch O.D. sampler (S), containing three 6.0-inch brass liners to retain the sample, was primarily used to sample coarse-grained soil and hard silts and clays that could not be sampled using a Shelby tube. The 2.4-inch I.D. sampler was also used to recover disturbed specimens that were not recovered when using a Shelby tube. Where dense or ice-bonded coarse-grained soils were encountered, drive samples were taken with a 1.4-inch I.D. by 2.0-inch O.D. (Ss) split-spoon sampler.

Both sizes of samplers were advanced by either a 300-pound hammer falling 30 inches, or by the hydraulic system of the drill rig. When the hammer was used, the number of blows required to drive each 6-inch increment was recorded. This driving information is presented on the test boring logs as the number of blows required to drive the sampler the last 12 inches, or fraction thereof.

c. Grab Samples (G)

Grab samples were occasionally taken during auger drilling on the barrier islands. Samples were either taken from the auger cuttings or directly from the augers as they were pulled from the hole.

d. Rotary Wash Samples (W)

Rotary wash samples consist of soil particles that have settled out of the circulating wash water after it has been run through a sieve. This technique was primarily used if representative samples of gravel could not be obtained by using the split-spoon sampler. The wash technique was also used to obtain intermediate samples when the sampling interval was greater than five feet. Since the grinding action of the bit within the casing breaks down the larger gravel particles, the in situ materials are probably more coarsely graded than these specimens indicate.

C. Onshore Drilling Investigation

Five test borings were drilled to explore the onshore soil conditions between March 4 and 8, 1982. The depths drilled varied between 48.5 to 50.5 feet; the conditions encountered are shown on the Test Boring Logs. Thermistor wells were installed in Test Borings 7 and 13.

The onshore borings and the two borings on Flaxman Island were drilled with a Mobile Drill B-61 rig that was equipped with eight-inch O.D. hollow-stem auger and mounted on a Modwell carrier. A Tucker Sno-cat was used to transport the crew to the rig, as a work station for the geologist, and as a shelter from the weather.

The onshore drill crew worked a single 12-hour shift and consisted of a geologist, a driller, and a drill helper. The geologist directed the drilling operation, logged the soils encountered in the borings, and obtained representative samples for laboratory testing.

The majority of the samples that were taken were either type (S) or type (G), as discussed in the offshore investigation section. Modified Shelby tubes (T) were also used occasionally. These samplers are standard Shelby tubes with hardened cutting teeth. They are drilled (D) into bonded, fine-grained soil by slowly rotating the sampler while applying pressure by the drill rig hydraulic system.

D. Sample Handling

The soil samples were visually examined, classified and logged in the field by our engineer/geologist. Whenever possible, sample temperatures as well as torvane and/or pocket penetrometer readings were taken. Shelby tubes and split-spoon liners were sealed with electrical tape to prevent moisture loss and then tagged. Bulk and grab samples were placed in heavy-duty plastic bags, sealed, and tagged. In the field, unbonded samples were protected against freezing by storing them in either a cooler chest or heated enclosure. Bonded samples were kept frozen by storing them in either a cooler chest that was packed with blue-ice or a chest freezer.

All of the samples from the onshore borings were returned to our operations base at Deadhorse on a regular basis. The bonded samples from the offshore borings were stored in a chest freezer at -10°C until the end of the drilling program. Unbonded offshore samples were transported daily to the camp, where they were stored in a heated room until they could be transferred to Deadhorse. In Deadhorse, all of the bonded samples were stored in a chest freezer for a minimum amount of time until they could be shipped via air freight to our laboratory in Anchorage. To protect the bonded specimens from thermal shock, they were shipped in insulated containers and stored in our laboratory cold room at -6°C until tested.

E. Drilling Operations Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
3/03/82	Moved drill rigs, sled-camp and crew to PTD project area, offshore rig began drilling Test Boring 6 (TB 6).
3/04/82	Completed TB 6 and installed a thermistor string. Moved to and began drilling TB 3. Onshore rig (Nodwell) moved to and completed TB 7 and installed thermistor well.
3/05/82	Completed TB 3. Moved to and began drilling TB 22. Nodwell moved to and completed TB 1.
3/06/82	Completed TB 22. Moved to and began drilling TB 2. Nodwell moved to and completed TB 12.
3/07/82	Completed TB 2. Moved to and completed TB 4. Moved to TB 5. Nodwell - mechanical standby - starter malfunctioned.
3/08/82	Completed TB 5 and installed thermistor well. Moved to and began drilling TB 21. Nodwell moved to and completed TB 13 and installed thermistor well.
3/09/82	Completed TB 21. Moved to and completed TB 10. Moved to and began drilling TB 9. Nodwell moved to and completed TB 18.
3/10/82	Completed TB 9. Moved to and began drilling TB 8. Nodwell moved to and completed TB 19 and installed thermistor well.

E. Drilling Operations Diary (continued)

- 3/11/82 Completed TB 8. Moved to and completed TB 11. Moved to and began drilling TB 14. Nodwell moved to and completed TB 23.
- 3/12/82 Completed TB 14. Moved to and began drilling TB 16. TB 16 terminated at 25.5 feet due to ice movement and high winds. Installed thermistor string. Moved to and began drilling TB 15. Nodwell drill rig and crews demobilized.
- 3/13/82 Completed TB 15. Moved to and began drilling TB 17.
- 3/14/82 Completed TB 17 and installed thermistor string. Moved to and began drilling TB 20.
- 3/15/82 Completed TB 20. Demobilized enclosed drill rig, sled-camp and crews.

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GROUND TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

A. General

Three thermistor strings and four thermistor wells were installed in the test borings listed in Table C-1.

TABLE C-1. THERMISTOR INSTALLATIONS

Test Boring	Location of Installation	Depth of Test Boring (ft)	Date Boring Completed	Total Depth of Temperature Data (ft)
5	Barrier Island	51.5	03/08/82	50.0
6	Offshore	51.5	03/04/82	45.0
7	Onshore	49.0	03/04/82	49.0
13	Onshore	50.0	03/08/82	50.0
16	Offshore	25.5	03/12/82	21.0
17	Offshore	50.5	03/13/82	45.0
19	Barrier Island	50.5	03/10/82	50.0

B. Equipment

1. Offshore

Hard-wired thermistor strings were used to obtain ground temperature measurements in the offshore test borings. The strings were constructed using 20-gauge, 52-conductor cable and YSI Model 44034 bead-in-glass thermistors. The Model 44034 thermistor has an interchangeability of $\pm 0.1^{\circ}\text{C}$ between -10°C to 80°C , a resistance of 5000 ohms at 25°C , and exhibits a resistance change of approximately 860 ohms per degree centigrade.

Each thermistor string was 175 feet long, including a 75-foot lead-wire, and contained 24 thermistors spaced at 3-foot intervals for the first 21 feet and 5-foot intervals to 100 feet. The thermistors were installed through an incision in the cable sheath and individually grounded. They were then sealed into the cable with heat shrink tubing, and silicone caulk and the incision was covered with heat-shrink tubing. Finally, a 41-pin, male plug was installed on the lead-out end of the thermistor string and covered with a waterproof cap. The thermistors were placed in an ice bath held at a constant 0°C and the corresponding resistance was compared to the manufacturers' values.

2. Onshore and Barrier Islands

Ground temperature measurements for the barrier islands and onshore test borings were recorded using a retractable probe that contained a YSI Model 44007 thermistor and a Victory, Serial No. 50 thermistor. The interchangeability of the YSI thermistor is $\pm 0.2^{\circ}\text{C}$ for the temperature range 0°C to 80°C . Also, it has a resistance of 5000 ohms at 25°C and exhibits a resistance change of approximately 860 ohms per degree centigrade. The precision calibrated Victory thermistor has an interchangeability of $\pm 0.05^{\circ}\text{C}$ and a resistance of 4560 ohms at 0°C and exhibits a resistance change of approximately 220 ohms per degree centigrade.

The thermistors were placed side by side at the bottom of a six-inch-long probe that was attached to a four-conductor lead-out wire manufactured by Berk-Teck Company (Model BT0NX-734-2F-Q). One conductor was used for a common ground, one for measuring lead-wire resistance, and the remaining two for measuring the thermistors. The calibration of the probe was performed by Dr. Robert I. Lewellen of Lewellen Arctic Research and can be traced back to the National Bureau of Primary Standards.

C. Thermistor Installation

1. Offshore

The procedure for installing the offshore thermistor strings was as follows:

1. After washing the test boring to remove all of the cuttings, the boring was sounded with a weighted line to confirm that it was open for its entire depth.
2. A length of 1-inch I.D. steel pipe, equal to the total depth of the hole, was attached to flexible hose whose length was equal to the depth from the mudline to the top of the ice. This entire assembly was then set on the bottom of the hole and filled with propylene glycol.
3. The thermistor string and lead-out assembly were trimmed to a length so that the first of the 3-foot interval thermistors was located at the mudline when placed down the pipe. The string was then lowered to the bottom of the steel pipe. An additional 25 feet of flexible hose was attached to the installed hose. This was done so that small ice movement would not destroy the temperature well.
4. The drill casing was pulled from around the thermistor installation and the drill sled was moved off of the site.

2. Onshore and Barrier Islands

The onshore and barrier islands thermistor wells consist of 1-1/4-inch I.D. PVC pipe that is filled with propylene glycol. First, PVC pipe was installed in a completed test boring which was then backfilled. The pipe was then filled with propylene glycol and capped until ground temperature readings are taken.

D. Thermistor Readings and Data Reduction

The resistance values were reduced to ground temperatures using the following relationship:

1. Offshore

The thermistor strings were allowed to equilibrate for periods ranging from 10 days to 4 weeks before the ground temperatures were recorded. These readings were obtained using a switchbox and a Data Precision Model 248 multi-meter. The multi-meter displays 4.5 digits and is capable of measuring and resolving resistance to 1 ohm. When combined, the YSI thermistors and the multi-meter have a precision of $\pm 0.1^{\circ}\text{C}$ and an accuracy of $\pm 0.2^{\circ}$.

2. Onshore and Barrier Islands Ground Temperatures

The thermistor wells were allowed to equilibrate for up to 4 weeks before the final ground temperatures were measured. The resistance readings were taken by using a Data Precision Model 248 multi-meter, as described above. When combined, the calibrated bead-in-glass thermistors and the Model 248 multi-meter have a precision of $\pm 0.05^{\circ}\text{C}$ and an accuracy of $\pm 0.1^{\circ}\text{C}$.

Resistance readings were taken at 2-foot to 5-foot intervals from the ground surface to the bottom of the thermistor well. All of the depths were referenced to the ground surface surrounding the thermistor well. The thermistors were monitored at each depth until a stabilized reading was obtained. Stabilization time varied from up to 30 minutes in the upper 10 feet and 1 to 3 minutes in the lower portion of the boring. To avoid inducing heating in the thermistors, the multi-meter was turned off between readings. Once a stabilized value was obtained, the lead-wire resistance was recorded and the probe was lowered to the next depth. It took approximately 60 minutes to monitor the borings.

3. Data Reduction

The resistance values obtained in the field were corrected for lead-wire resistance by subtracting the measured lead-wire resistance from the total resistance. The resistance values were reduced to ground temperatures using the relationships in Equation C-1.

$$(1/T) = A + B (\ln R) + C (\ln R)^3 \quad (C-1)$$

Where: T = temperature degrees Kelvin
 A, B, C = constants for the thermistors
 based on calibration curves
 R = measured resistance in ohms

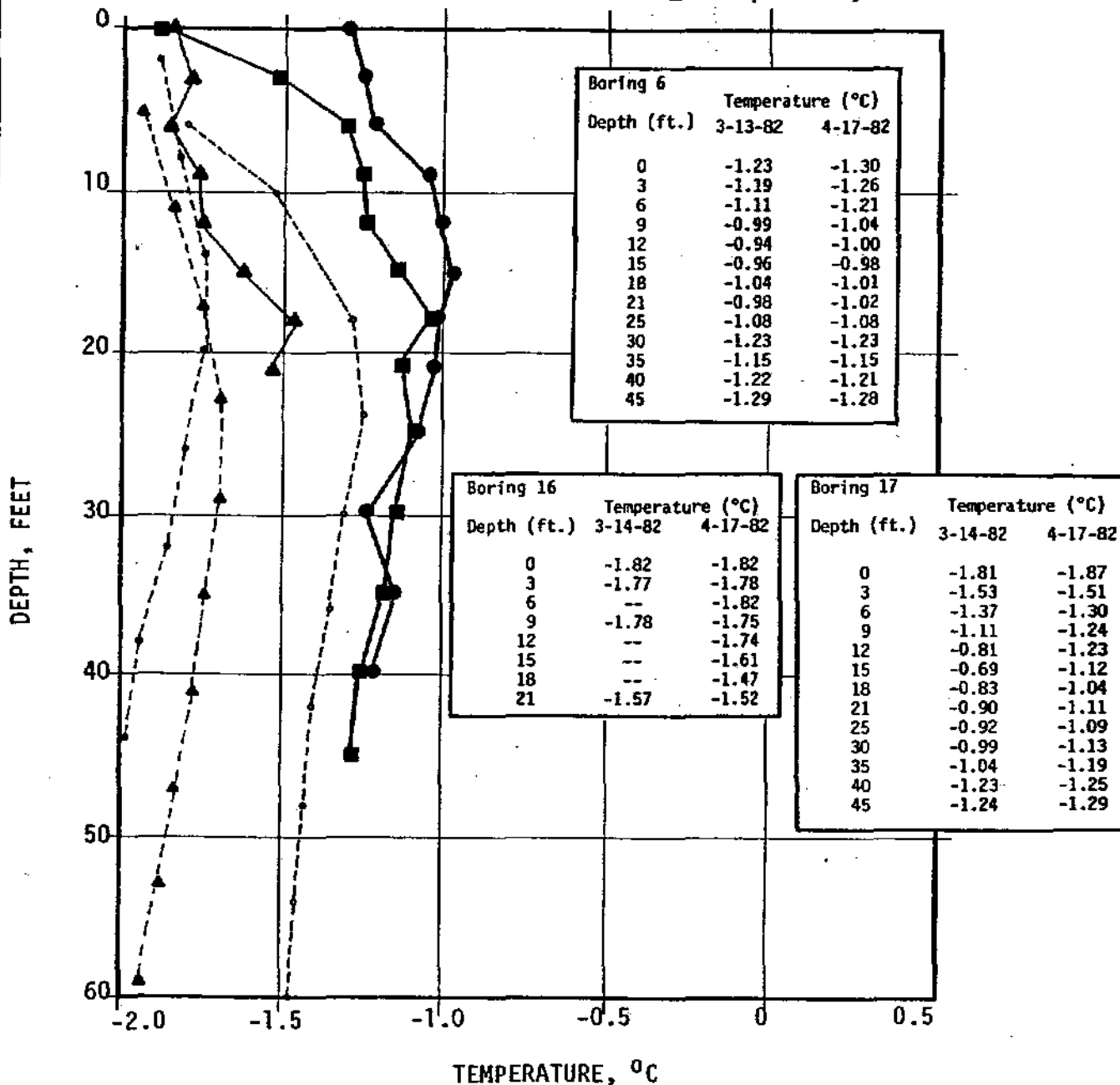
E. Findings

Plate C-1 shows the data obtained from the offshore Test Borings 6, 16, and 17. Furthermore, ground temperature data that were obtained in 1979 from HLA/USGS Test Borings 15, 16 and 18 are shown for purposes of comparison. The level of zero annual temperature change appears at a depth of 30 to 40 for the test borings.

Ground temperature data that were obtained from the onshore test borings are presented on Plate C-2. The data indicate that there is very little difference in onshore ground temperatures between the two borings. The level of zero temperature change appears at a depth of 30 to 50 feet in both test borings.

Barrier islands ground temperature data are shown on Plate C-3. Data obtained in 1980 from Drilling Pads F and D are also shown for comparison. The data for Test Borings 5 and 19 yield well-defined curves that appear to converge to a line of zero temperature change at a depth of 40 to 50 feet.

- Boring 6, 4-17-82
- Boring 16, 4-17-82
- Boring 17, 4-17-82
- USGS/HLA 18, 5-1-79
- USGS/HLA 15, 5-1-79
- ▲ USGS/HLA 16, 4-24-79



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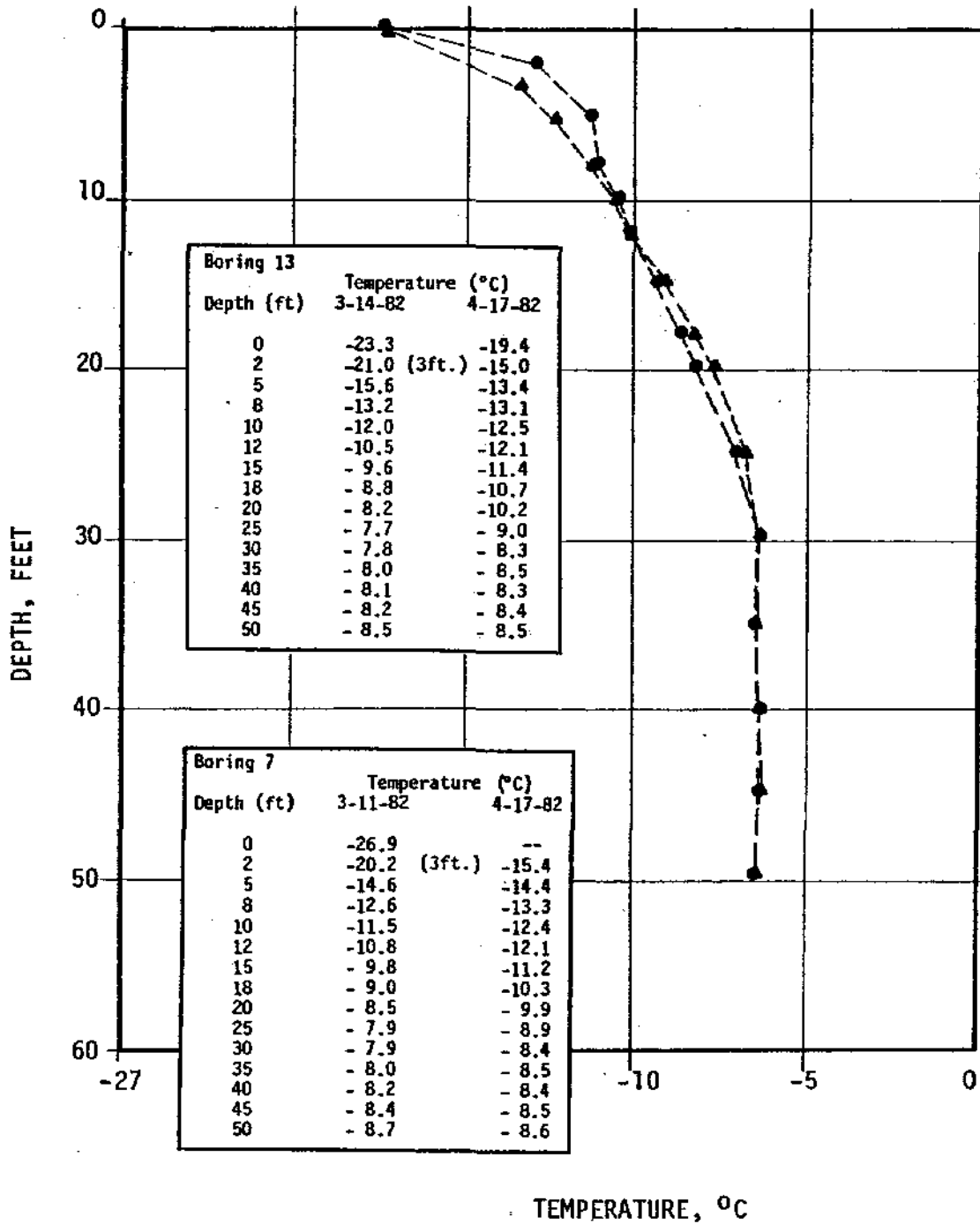
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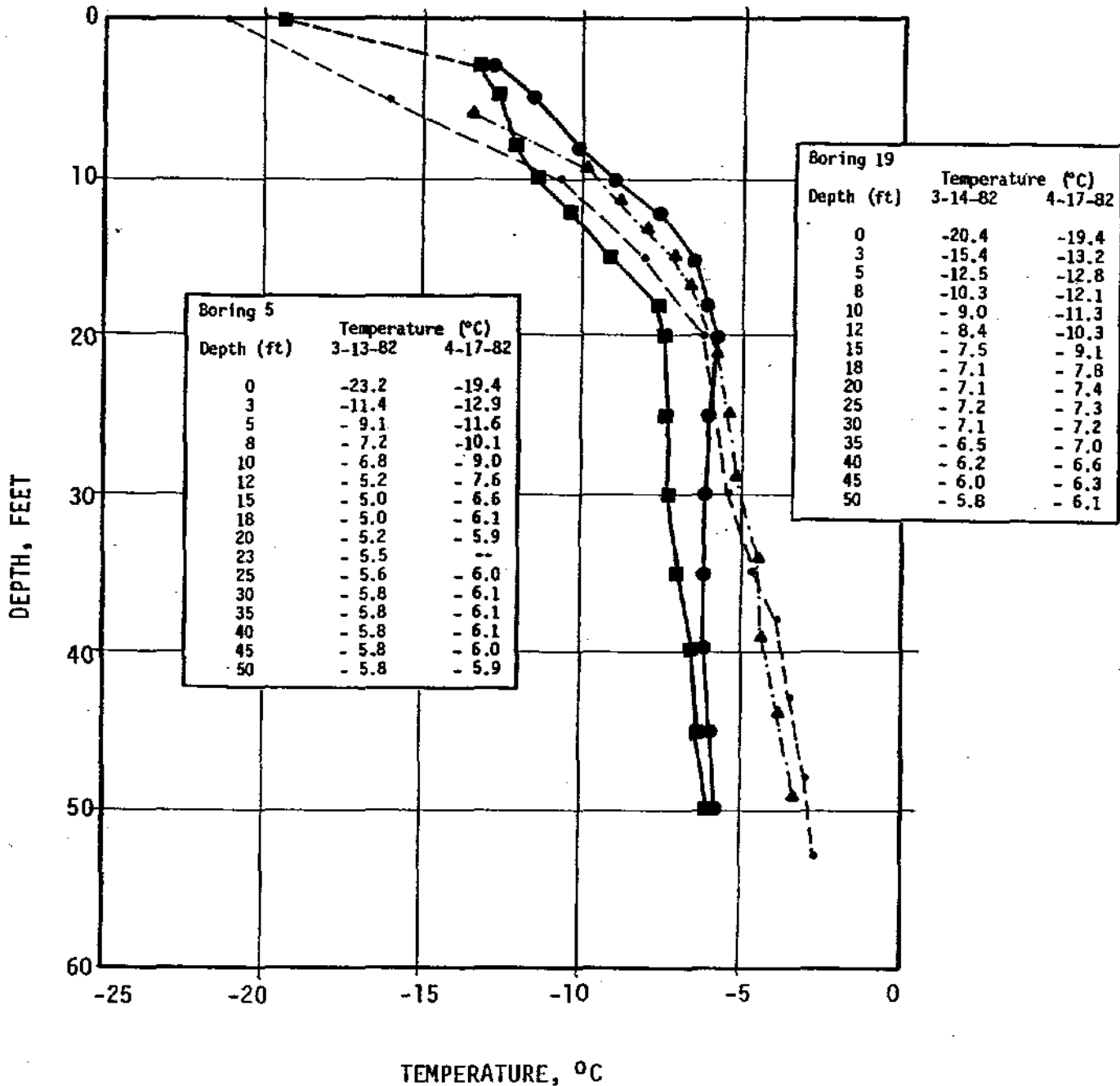
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The warmer temperatures recorded in Test Boring 5 are a direct result of the insulation provided by the thick layer of ice and snow at the boring. Below 20 to 30 feet, ground temperatures recorded at Drilling Pads F and D in 1980 were about 1°C to 3.5°C warmer than those observed during our investigation. This implies that subsea ground temperatures are getting colder due to the presence of the barrier islands.

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APPENDIX D
LABORATORY TESTING

A. General

A comprehensive laboratory testing program was conducted by Harding Lawson Associates to evaluate the properties of soil samples obtained from test borings drilled for the Point Thomson Development, Winter 1982 Geotechnical Study. Details of the field investigation program are given in Appendix B.

Soil index tests were performed to classify the sampled soils and to determine their in situ moisture contents, dry unit weights, grain size distributions, plasticity indexes, specific gravities and organic contents.

Soil strength parameters under static loading conditions were determined by unconsolidated-undrained triaxial shear tests (TXUU), consolidated-undrained triaxial shear tests (TXCU), consolidated-drained triaxial shear tests (TXCD), and direct shear tests (DS).

One-dimensional consolidation tests were used to analyze the soil stress history and deformation behavior of unfrozen samples, while thaw-strain tests were used to analyze the behavior of frozen samples.

The pore water chemistry and freezing point depression of selected samples were determined by conducting both chemistry and salinity tests. Thermal conductivity measurements were made on both frozen and thawed samples for use in performing heat transfer analyses.

The procedures employed in the laboratory testing program were generally in accordance with those suggested by the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM). The ASTM designations for the various tests are tabulated below:

<u>Laboratory Test</u>	<u>ASTM Test Method</u>
Visual Classification	D 2488-69
Laboratory Classification	D 2487-69
Moisture Content	D 2216-71
Liquid Limit	D 423-66
Plastic Limit	D 424-59
Particle Size Analysis	D 422-63
Specific Gravity	D 854-58
Triaxial Shear	D 2850-70
Direct Shear	D 3080-72
Consolidation	D 2435-70

Furthermore, several tests were conducted for which there are no suggested ASTM methods. These are as follows:

<u>Laboratory Test</u>
Sedimentation
Thaw Consolidation
Thermal Conductivity
Geochemical Analysis
Electrical Conductivity

All of the above test procedures are described in the following sections of this appendix. The laboratory testing program is summarized by test boring on Plates D-1 through D-23.

B. Sample Handling and Visual Classification

1. Sample Storage

Upon arrival at Anchorage International Airport, the soil samples were picked up and delivered to our Anchorage laboratory where they were stored until testing. Four types of samples were received: Shelby tube, brass liner, jar and grab.