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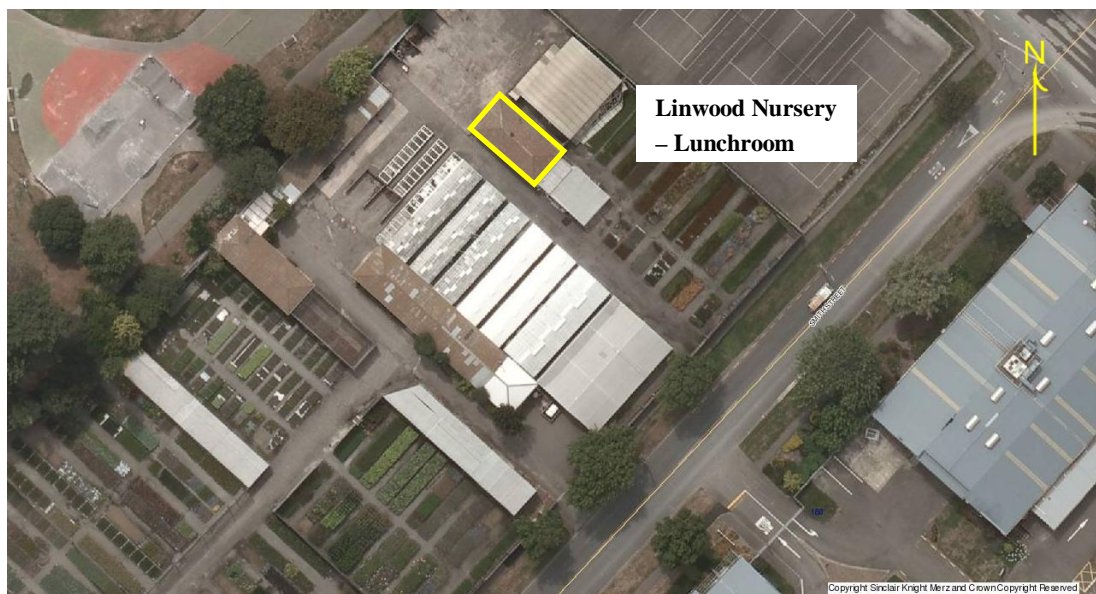
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1. Executive Summary

1.1. Background

A Qualitative Assessment was carried out on Linwood Nursery – Lunchroom located at 320 Linwood Ave, Linwood. Linwood Nursery – Lunchroom is a single storey masonry building with concrete strip foundation and separate internal floor slab. An aerial photograph illustrating the location of Linwood Nursery – Lunchroom is shown in Figure 1 below. Detailed descriptions outlining the building's age and construction type is given in Section 5 of this report.



■ Figure 1 Aerial Photograph of Linwood Nursery – Lunchroom at 320 Linwood Ave

The qualitative assessment broadly includes a summary of the building damage as well as an initial assessment of the current Seismic Capacity compared with current seismic code loads using the Initial Evaluation Procedure (IEP).

This Qualitative report for the building structure is based on the Detailed Engineering Evaluation Procedure document (draft) issued by the Structural Advisory Group on 19 July 2011, visual inspections on 3 April 2012.

1.2. Key Damage Observed

Key damage observed includes:-

- Differential settlement of the strip footing and internal floor slab.
- Significant cracking to the block walls, particularly on the west side of the building.



1.3. Critical Structural Weaknesses

No critical structural weaknesses have been identified.

1.4. Indicative Building Strength (from IEP and CSW assessment)

Based on the information available, and using the NZSEE Initial Evaluation Procedure, the building's original capacity has been assessed to be in the order of 11%NBS and due to the limited damage that has occurred as a result of the earthquake/s, the post earthquake capacity remains the same.

The building has been assessed to have a seismic capacity in the order of 11% NBS and is therefore potentially earthquake prone.

1.5. Recommendations

It is recommended that:

- a) The building be demolished and rebuilt to current code within a reasonable time.
- b) A geotechnical investigation be undertaken to determine the soil properties to assist in design of the replacement building. Refer to Appendix 4 for more details.
- c) Barriers around the building are not necessary.

2. Introduction

Sinclair Knight Merz was engaged by Christchurch City Council to prepare a qualitative assessment report for the building located at 320 Linwood Ave, Linwood following the magnitude 6.3 earthquake which occurred in the afternoon of the 22nd of February 2011 and the subsequent aftershocks.

The Qualitative Assessment uses the methodology recommended in the Engineering Advisory Group document “Guidance on Detailed Engineering Evaluation of Earthquake affected Non-residential Buildings in Canterbury”. The qualitative assessment broadly includes a summary of the building damage as well as an initial assessment of the current Seismic Capacity compared with current seismic code loads.

A qualitative assessment involves inspections of the building and a desktop review of existing structural and geotechnical information, including existing drawings and calculations, if available.

The purpose of the assessment is to determine the likely building performance and damage patterns, to identify any potential critical structural weaknesses or collapse hazards, and to make an initial assessment of the likely building strength in terms of percentage of new building standard (%NBS).

This report describes the structural damage observed during our inspection and indicates suggested remediation measures. The inspection was undertaken from floor levels and was a visual inspection only. Our report reflects the situation at the time of the inspection and does not take account of changes caused by any events following our inspection. A full description of the basis on which we have undertaken our visual inspection is set out in Section 7.2.

The NZ Society for Earthquake Engineering (NZSEE) Initial Evaluation Procedure (IEP) was used to assess the likely performance of the building in a seismic event relative to the New Building Standard (NBS). 100% NBS is equivalent to the strength of a building that fully complies with current codes. This includes a recent increase of the Christchurch seismic hazard factor from 0.22 to 0.3¹.

At the time of this report, no intrusive site investigation, detailed analysis, or modelling of the building structure had been carried out. The building description below is based solely on our visual inspections.

¹ <http://www.dbh.govt.nz/seismicity-info>

3. Compliance

This section contains a brief summary of the requirements of the various statutes and authorities that control activities in relation to buildings in Christchurch at present.

3.1. Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority (CERA)

CERA was established on 28 March 2011 to take control of the recovery of Christchurch using powers established by the Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Act enacted on 18 April 2011. This act gives the Chief Executive Officer of CERA wide powers in relation to building safety, demolition and repair. Two relevant sections are:

Section 38 – Works

This section outlines a process in which the chief executive can give notice that a building is to be demolished and if the owner does not carry out the demolition, the chief executive can commission the demolition and recover the costs from the owner or by placing a charge on the owners' land.

Section 51 – Requiring Structural Survey

This section enables the chief executive to require a building owner, insurer or mortgagee carry out a full structural survey before the building is re-occupied.

We understand that CERA will require a detailed engineering evaluation to be carried out for all buildings (other than those exempt from the Earthquake Prone Building definition in the Building Act). It is anticipated that CERA will adopt the Detailed Engineering Evaluation Procedure document (draft) issued by the Structural Advisory Group on 19 July 2011. This document sets out a methodology for both qualitative and quantitative assessments.

The qualitative assessment is a desk-top and site inspection assessment. It is based on a thorough visual inspection of the building coupled with a review of available documentation such as drawings and specifications. The quantitative assessment involves analytical calculation of the buildings strength and may require non-destructive or destructive material testing, geotechnical testing and intrusive investigation.

It is anticipated that factors determining the extent of evaluation and strengthening level required will include:

- The importance level and occupancy of the building
- The placard status and amount of damage
- The age and structural type of the building
- Consideration of any critical structural weaknesses



- The extent of any earthquake damage

3.2. Building Act

Several sections of the Building Act are relevant when considering structural requirements:

3.2.1. Section 112 – Alterations

This section requires that an existing building complies with the relevant sections of the Building Code to at least the extent that it did prior to any alteration. This effectively means that a building cannot be weakened as a result of an alteration (including partial demolition).

3.2.2. Section 115 – Change of Use

This section requires that the territorial authority (in this case Christchurch City Council (CCC)) be satisfied that the building with a new use complies with the relevant sections of the Building Code 'as near as is reasonably practicable'. Regarding seismic capacity 'as near as reasonably practicable' has previously been interpreted by CCC as achieving a minimum of 67%NBS however where practical achieving 100%NBS is desirable. The New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering (NZSEE) recommend a minimum of 67%NBS.

3.2.3. Section 121 – Dangerous Buildings

The definition of dangerous building in the Act was extended by the Canterbury Earthquake (Building Act) Order 2010, and it now defines a building as dangerous if:

- in the ordinary course of events (excluding the occurrence of an earthquake), the building is likely to cause injury or death or damage to other property; or
- in the event of fire, injury or death to any persons in the building or on other property is likely because of fire hazard or the occupancy of the building; or
- there is a risk that the building could collapse or otherwise cause injury or death as a result of earthquake shaking that is less than a 'moderate earthquake' (refer to Section 122 below); or
- there is a risk that that other property could collapse or otherwise cause injury or death; or
- a territorial authority has not been able to undertake an inspection to determine whether the building is dangerous.

3.2.4. Section 122 – Earthquake Prone Buildings

This section defines a building as earthquake prone if its ultimate capacity would be exceeded in a 'moderate earthquake' and it would be likely to collapse causing injury or death, or damage to other property. A moderate earthquake is defined by the building regulations as one that would generate ground shaking 33% of the shaking used to design an equivalent new building.

3.2.5. Section 124 – Powers of Territorial Authorities

This section gives the territorial authority the power to require strengthening work within specified timeframes or to close and prevent occupancy to any building defined as dangerous or earthquake prone.

3.2.6. Section 131 – Earthquake Prone Building Policy

This section requires the territorial authority to adopt a specific policy for earthquake prone, dangerous and insanitary buildings.

3.3. Christchurch City Council Policy

Christchurch City Council adopted their Earthquake Prone, Dangerous and Insanitary Building Policy in 2006. This policy was amended immediately following the Darfield Earthquake of the 4th September 2010.

The 2010 amendment includes the following:

- A process for identifying, categorising and prioritising Earthquake Prone Buildings, commencing on 1 July 2012;
- A strengthening target level of 67% of a new building for buildings that are Earthquake Prone. Council recognises that it may not be practicable for some repairs to meet that target. The council will work closely with building owners to achieve sensible, safe outcomes;
- A timeframe of 15-30 years for Earthquake Prone Buildings to be strengthened; and,
- Repair works for buildings damaged by earthquakes will be required to comply with the above.

The council has stated their willingness to consider retrofit proposals on a case by case basis, considering the economic impact of such a retrofit.

We anticipate that any building with a capacity of less than 33%NBS (including consideration of critical structural weaknesses) will need to be strengthened to a target of 67%NBS of new building standard as recommended by the Policy.

If strengthening works are undertaken, a building consent will be required. A requirement of the consent will require upgrade of the building to comply 'as near as is reasonably practicable' with:

- The accessibility requirements of the Building Code.
- The fire requirements of the Building Code. This is likely to require a fire report to be submitted with the building consent application.



3.4. Building Code

The building code outlines performance standards for buildings and the Building Act requires that all new buildings comply with this code. Compliance Documents published by The Department of Building and Housing can be used to demonstrate compliance with the Building Code.

After the February Earthquake, on 19 May 2011, Compliance Document B1: Structure was amended to include increased seismic design requirements for Canterbury as follows:

- a) Hazard Factor increased from 0.22 to 0.3 (36% increase in the basic seismic design load)
- b) Serviceability Return Period Factor increased from 0.25 to 0.33 (80% increase in the serviceability design loads when combined with the Hazard Factor increase)

The increase in the above factors has resulted in a reduction in the level of compliance of an existing building relative to a new building despite the capacity of the existing building not changing.

4. Earthquake Resistance Standards

For this assessment, the building's earthquake resistance is compared with the current New Zealand Building Code requirements for a new building constructed on the site. This is expressed as a percentage of new building standard (%NBS). The new building standard load requirements have been determined in accordance with the current earthquake loading standard (NZS 1170.5:2004 Structural design actions - Earthquake actions - New Zealand).

The likely capacity of this building has been derived in accordance with the New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering (NZSEE) guidelines 'Assessment and Improvement of the Structural Performance of Buildings in Earthquakes' (AISPBE), 2006. These guidelines provide an Initial Evaluation Procedure that assesses a buildings capacity based on a comparison of loading codes from when the building was designed and currently. It is a quick high-level procedure that can be used when undertaking a Qualitative analysis of a building. The guidelines also provide guidance on calculating a modified Ultimate Limit State capacity of the building which is much more accurate and can be used when undertaking a Quantitative analysis.

The New Zealand Society for Earthquake Engineering has proposed a way for classifying earthquake risk for existing buildings in terms of %NBS and this is shown in Figure 2 below.

Description	Grade	Risk	%NBS	Existing Building Structural Performance	Improvement of Structural Performance	
					Legal Requirement	NZSEE Recommendation
Low Risk Building	A or B	Low	Above 67	Acceptable (improvement may be desirable)	The Building Act sets no required level of structural improvement (unless change in use) This is for each TA to decide. Improvement is not limited to 34%NBS.	100%NBS desirable. Improvement should achieve at least 67%NBS
Moderate Risk Building	B or C	Moderate	34 to 66	Acceptable legally. Improvement recommended		Not recommended. Acceptable only in exceptional circumstances
High Risk Building	D or E	High	33 or lower	Unacceptable (Improvement	Unacceptable	Unacceptable

■ **Figure 2: NZSEE Risk Classifications Extracted from table 2.2 of the NZSEE 2006 AISPBE Guidelines**

Table 1 below compares the percentage NBS to the relative risk of the building failing in a seismic event with a 10% risk of exceedance in 50 years (i.e. 0.2% in the next year). It is noted that the current seismic risk in Christchurch results in a 6% risk of exceedance in the next year.



■ **Table 1: %NBS compared to relative risk of failure**

Percentage of New Building Standard (%NBS)	Relative Risk (Approximate)
>100	<1 time
80-100	1-2 times
67-80	2-5 times
33-67	5-10 times
20-33	10-25 times
<20	>25 times

5. Building Details

5.1. Building description

Linwood Nursery – Lunchroom is a single storey masonry building containing a lunchroom and toilet. An employee at the site notified that construction took place in the late 1950s or early 1960s. It has been assumed that the walls are reinforced and partially filled due to observation made of the partial demolition of the adjacent building (Linwood Nursery – Garage (Storage Shed)). The building has an internal concrete floor slab with independent wall footing. The roof is timber framed and has corrugated steel roof sheeting.

Internal floor lining was present in the lunchroom at the west end of the building. The floor slab in the male and female toilets was left exposed.

The building has a masonry chimney that penetrated the roof sheeting by approximately 300mm.

The roof space was not accessed so confirmation of the roof to wall connection and roof diaphragm system could not be confirmed.

5.2. Gravity Load Resisting system

Our evaluation was based on the site investigation conducted on the 3 April 2012.

The timber framed roof of Building 3 is supported on perimeter and internal masonry walls. The masonry walls have a strip footing and independent internal floor slab.

5.3. Seismic Load Resisting system

Our evaluation was based on the site investigation conducted on the 3 April 2012.

With the absence of drawings for the structure it is assumed that lateral loads generated in seismic conditions are expected to be transmitted to the masonry walls parallel to the load via diaphragm action of the timber framed roof. The load is transmitted to ground through shear in these masonry walls.

For the lateral analysis of this building the ‘across direction’ has been taken as north-south whereas the ‘along direction’ has been taken as east-west.

5.4. Geotechnical Conditions

A geotechnical desktop study was carried out for this site. The main conclusions from this report are:

- The site has been assessed as NZS1170.5 Class D (deep or soft soil) from adjacent borehole logs.



- Liquefaction risk is low at this site.

The full geotechnical desktop study can be found in Appendix 4.

6. Damage Summary

SKM undertook an inspection of the building from floor level on the 3 April 2012. The following areas of damage were observed during the time of inspection:

- 1) Differential settlement between the masonry wall footing and internal floor slab, in addition to differential settlement between internal floor slab sections was noted in the lunchroom at the west end of the building. A fall of up to 16% was noted in the floor. The floor lining was damaged at the junction between these elements (see Photo 1 and Photo 2).
- 2) Exposed reinforcement and some concrete spalling was found on the masonry wall footing, adjacent to the door openings in the southern wall and at the corners of the building. The reinforcement has begun to corrode (see Photo 3 and Photo 4). This is not thought to be earthquake damage.
- 3) Cracking less than 0.5mm in width was found in the internal floor slab in the women's toilet at a re-entrant corner. Cracking was also found at the doorway between the changing rooms and cubicles. No cracks were found in the floor slab of the men's toilet and floor lining in the lunchroom prevented an inspection of the condition of the slab there (see Photo 5 and Photo 6). This damage is unlikely to have been caused by the earthquake, though it has likely been exacerbated by it.
- 4) Settlement of the footing has caused cracking in the perimeter walls on the west side of the building. Evidence of repairs was observed on the northern wall in the north west corner, and earthquake cracking is now evident across those repairs. Cracking in the north west corner was measured at up to 10mm in width. Cracking found adjacent to the entrance to the lunchroom in the southern wall was found to be up to 3mm in width. No damage was noted to the foundation adjacent to the damage in the west side of the building (see Photo 7, Photo 8 and Photo 9).
- 5) 2.0mm stepped cracking was found in the south east corner of the building (see Photo 10).
- 6) Stepped cracking was found in all perimeter and internal walls of the building, particularly adjacent to windows and doors. Cracking was found to be up to 0.5mm in width and observed from the interior and exterior of the building. Hairline cracking was also found at the junction between internal and perimeter masonry walls (see Photo 11 and Photo 12).
- 7) Hairline cracking was noted below the top course of blocks in the north east corner of the men's toilet (see Photo 13).
- 8) Significant cracking was found in the masonry render on the fireplace in the lunchroom. The upper section of the render has separated from the chimney stack and looks to be at risk of falling off in future seismic activity (see Photo 14, Photo 15 and Photo 16).
- 9) Hairline cracking was observed in the render on the section of chimney above the roof sheeting (see Photo 17).
- 10) Render on the masonry wall footing has spalled off adjacent to a downpipe on the northern wall. Damage is localised and it is not clear why this has occurred (see Photo 18).



11) Regular vertical hairline cracking was found in the masonry wall footing render (see Photo 19).

Photos of the above damage can be found in Appendix 1 – Photos.

As an immediate safety precaution, it is recommended that the masonry cladding on the fireplace be removed.

Observation of the partial demolition of one wall of the adjacent garage structure revealed walls which had been reinforced and partially filled. Compaction of the filled cells was poor with insufficient bond between the reinforcing and grout. It is anticipated that Building 3 will be of similar construction quality. The extent of cracking in the masonry walls and expected difficulty in rectifying the poor compaction of grout in the wall should be considered when assessing remediation options.

7. Initial Seismic Evaluation

7.1. The Initial Evaluation Procedure Process

This section covers the initial seismic evaluation of the building as detailed in the NZSEE ‘Assessment and Improvement of the Structural Performance of Buildings in Earthquakes’. The IEP grades buildings according to their likely performance in a seismic event. The procedure is not yet recognised by the NZ Building Code but is widely used and recognised by the Christchurch City Council as the preferred method for preliminary seismic investigations of buildings².

The IEP is a coarse screening process designed to identify buildings that are likely to be earthquake prone. The IEP process ranks buildings according to how well they are likely to perform relative to a new building designed to current earthquake standards, as shown in Table 2. The building rank is indicated by the percent of the required New Building Standard (%NBS) strength that the building is considered to have. Earthquake prone buildings are defined as having less than 33 %NBS strength which correlates to an increased risk of approximately 20 times that of 100% NBS³. Buildings that are identified to be earthquake prone are required by law to be followed up with a detailed assessment and strengthening work within 30 years of the owner being notified that the building is potentially earthquake prone⁴.

Table 2: IEP Risk classifications

Description	Grade	Risk	%NBS	Structural performance
Low risk building	A+	Low	> 100	Acceptable. Improvement may be desirable.
	A		100 to 80	
	B		80 to 67	
Moderate risk building	C	Moderate	67 to 33	Acceptable legally. Improvement recommended.
High risk building	D	High	33 to 20	Unacceptable. Improvement required.
	E		< 20	

The IEP is a simple desktop study that is useful for risk management. No detailed calculations are done and so it relies on an inspection of the building and its plans to identify the structural members and describe the likely performance of the building in a seismic event. A review of the

² <http://resources.ccc.govt.nz/files/EarthquakeProneDangerousAndInsanitaryBuildingsPolicy2010.pdf>

³ NZSEE 2006, *Assessment and Improvement of the Structural Performance of Buildings in Earthquakes*, p 2-2

⁴ <http://resources.ccc.govt.nz/files/EarthquakeProneDangerousAndInsanitaryBuildingsPolicy2010.pdf>



plans is also likely to identify any critical structural weaknesses. The IEP assumes that the building was properly designed and built according to the relevant codes at the time of construction. The IEP method rates buildings based on the code used at the time of construction and some more subjective parameters associated with how the building is detailed and so it is possible that %NBS derived from different engineers may differ.

This assessment describes only the likely seismic Ultimate Limit State (ULS) performance of the building. The ULS is the level of earthquake that can be resisted by the building without catastrophic failure. The IEP does not attempt to estimate Serviceability Limit State (SLS) performance of the building, or the level of earthquake that would start to cause damage to the building⁵. This assessment concentrates on matters relating to life safety as damage to the building is a secondary consideration. SLS performance of the building can be estimated by scaling the current code levels if required.

The NZ Building Code describes that the relevant codes for NBS are primarily:

- AS/NZS 1170 Structural Design Actions
- NZS 3101:2006 Concrete Structures Standard
- NZS 3404:1997 Steel Structures Standard

7.2. Available Information, Assumptions and Limitations

Following our inspection on the 3 April 2012, SKM carried out a preliminary structural review. The structural review was undertaken using the available information which was as follows:

- SKM site measurements and inspection findings of the building. Please note no intrusive investigations were undertaken.

The assumptions made in undertaking the assessment include:

- The soil on site is class D as described in AS/NZS1170.5:2004, Clause 3.1.3, Soft Soil. This is based on our geotechnical desktop study that was carried out for this site.
- Standard design assumptions for typical office and factory buildings as described in AS/NZS1170.0:2002
 - 50 year design life, which is the default NZ Building Code design life.
 - Structure importance level 2. This level of importance is described as 'normal' with medium or considerable consequence of failure.
- Ductility level of 1.25, based on our assessment and code requirements at the time of design.

⁵ NZSEE 2006, *Assessment and Improvement of the Structural Performance of Buildings in Earthquakes*, p2-9



- Site hazard factor, $Z = 0.3$, NZBC, Clause B1 Structure, Amendment 11 effective from 1 August 2011

This IEP was based on our visual inspection of the building only. Since it is not a full design and construction review, it has the following limitations:

- It is not likely to pick up on any original design or construction errors (if they exist)
- Other possible issues that could affect the performance of the building such as corrosion and modifications to the building will not be identified
- The IEP deals only with the structural aspects of the building. Other aspects such as building services are not covered.
- The IEP does not involve a detailed analysis or an element by element code compliance check.

7.3. Critical Structural Weaknesses

No critical structural weaknesses for the building were observed during our visual inspection.

7.4. Qualitative Assessment Results

The building has had its seismic capacity assessed using the Initial Evaluation Procedure based on the information available. The building's capacity is expressed as a percentage of new building standard (%NBS) and is in the order of that shown below in Table 3. The capacity is subject to confirmation by a quantitative analysis.

Table 3: Qualitative Assessment Summary

<u>Item</u>	<u>%NBS</u>
Building's likely Seismic Capacity	11

Our qualitative assessment found that the building is likely to be classed as a 'High Risk Building' (capacity less than 33% of NBS). The full IEP assessment form is detailed in Appendix 2 – IEP Reports.

The Council regulations state that since the %NBS of the building is likely to be less than 34%, this building is considered earthquake prone and is required to be strengthened. The cost of carrying out a quantitative assessment and the associated strengthening that is likely to be required should be considered when assessing potential remediation options or whether to demolish the building.



8. Further Investigation

No further investigation has been deemed necessary. It is anticipated that a building consent will be required if the building is to be demolished and a new building constructed. Further geotechnical investigation would be necessary to confirm the soil strength for the purpose of designing the foundations for a new building; further geotechnical investigations recommended are:

- Four CPTs to refusal spread evenly throughout the site

Building consent drawings shows a fuel tank was proposed to be built at the corner of the nursery building and shade house. The presence and location of the fuel tank would need to be confirmed before undertaking any additional investigations.



9. Conclusion

A qualitative assessment was carried out on Linwood Nursery – Lunchroom located at 320 Linwood Ave, Linwood. The building has been assessed to have a seismic capacity in the order of 11% NBS and is therefore potentially earthquake prone and is likely to be classified as a 'High Risk Building' (capacity less than 33% of NBS).

Further geotechnical investigation may be necessary to determine the soil properties to allow the design on a replacement building.

The building is single storey and has regular, short walls. The building is also only occupied for brief periods during the day.

It is recommended that:

- a) A geotechnical investigation be undertaken to determine the soil properties to assist in the assessment of potential remediation options. Refer to Appendix 4 for more details.
- b) Barriers around the building are not necessary.



10. Limitation Statement

This report has been prepared on behalf of, and for the exclusive use of, SKM's client, and is subject to, and issued in accordance with, the provisions of the contract between SKM and the Client. It is not possible to make a proper assessment of this report without a clear understanding of the terms of engagement under which it has been prepared, including the scope of the instructions and directions given to, and the assumptions made by, SKM. The report may not address issues which would need to be considered for another party if that party's particular circumstances, requirements and experience were known and, further, may make assumptions about matters of which a third party is not aware. No responsibility or liability to any third party is accepted for any loss or damage whatsoever arising out of the use of or reliance on this report by any third party.

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It is not within SKM's scope or responsibility to identify the presence of asbestos, nor the responsibility of SKM to identify possible sources of asbestos. Therefore for any property pre-dating 1989, the presence of asbestos materials should be considered when costing remedial measures or possible demolition.

There is a risk of further movement and increased cracking due to subsequent aftershocks or settlement.

Should there be any further significant earthquake event, of a magnitude 5 or greater, it will be necessary to conduct a follow-up investigation, as the observations, conclusions and recommendations of this report may no longer apply. Earthquake of a lower magnitude may also cause damage, and SKM should be advised immediately if further damage is visible or suspected.

11. Appendix 1 – Photos



Photo 1: Differential settlement between the masonry wall footing and internal concrete slab in the lunchroom on the west side of the building



Photo 2: Differential settlement between sections of the internal floor slab in the lunchroom



Photo 3: Typical spalled concrete and exposed reinforcement adjacent to door openings on the south side of the building

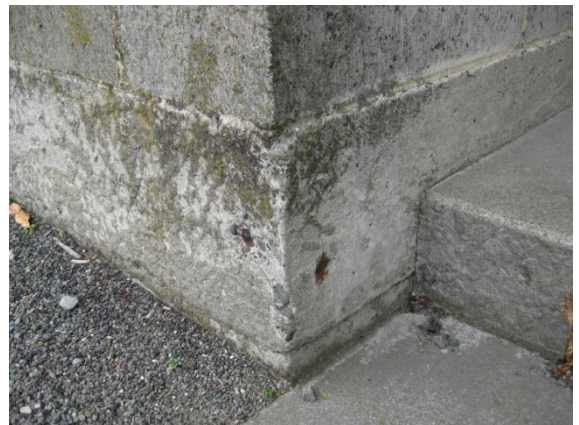


Photo 4: Typical exposed reinforcement in the corners of the building. Note corrosion of the reinforcement



Photo 5: 0.5mm cracking in the internal slab in the women's toilet adjacent to an re-entrant corner



Photo 6: Cracking in the internal floor slab in the women's toilet at the doorway between the changing rooms and cubicles



Photo 7: Repairs to the northern wall of the building completed prior to the earthquake. No damage to the repairs detected



Photo 8: Cracking at the north end of the west wall



Photo 9: Cracking in the southern wall adjacent to the entrance to the lunchroom



Photo 10: Cracking in the south east corner of the building



Photo 11: Typical stepped cracking found at the corners of doors and windows

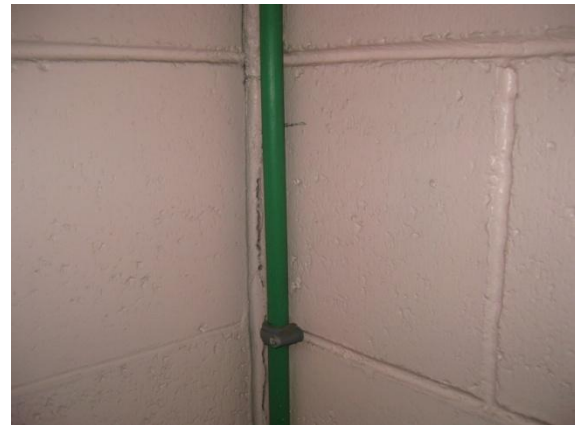


Photo 12: Typical cracking at the junction between internal and external masonry walls



Photo 13: Hairline cracking below the top course of blocks in the north east corner of the men's toilet



Photo 14: The fireplace in the lunchroom



Photo 15: Cracking to the masonry render on the fireplace



Photo 16: Separation between the masonry render and chimney in the lunchroom



Photo 17: Cracking to the render on the chimney above roof level



Photo 18: Render spalling off the northern masonry wall footing, adjacent to a drain



Photo 19: Typical vertical hairline cracking in the footing render



12. Appendix 2 – IEP Reports

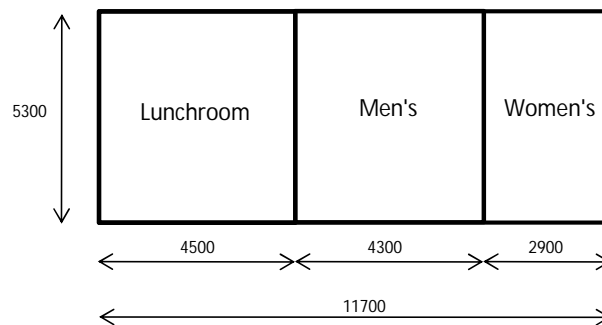
Table IEP-1 Initial Evaluation Procedure – Step 1

(Refer Table IEP - 2 for Step 2; Table IEP - 3 for Step 3, Table IEP - 4 for Steps 4, 5 and 6)



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Building Name:	<u>Linwood Nursery - Lunchroom</u>	Ref.	<u>ZB01276.020</u>
Location:	<u>320 Linwood Ave, Linwood, Christchurch</u>	By	<u>OAK</u>
		Date	<u>15/04/2013</u>

Step 1 - General Information**1.1 Photos (attach sufficient to describe building)****1.2 Sketch of building plan****1.3 List relevant features**

Linwood Nursery - Lunchroom is a single storey masonry building containing a lunch room and toilet. An employee at the site notified that construction took place in the late 1950s or early 1960s. It has been assumed that the walls are reinforced and partially filled due to observation made of the partial demolition of the adjacent building (*Linwood Nursery – Garage (Storage Shed)*). The building has an internal concrete floor slab with independent wall footing. The roof is timber framed and has corrugated steel roof sheeting. Internal floor lining was present in the lunch room at the west end of the building. The floor slab in the male and female toilets was left exposed. The building has a masonry chimney that penetrated the roof sheeting by approximately 300mm.

1.4 Note information sources

Tick as appropriate

- Visual Inspection of Exterior
- Visual Inspection of Interior
- Drawings (note type)
- Specifications
- Geotechnical Reports
- Other (list)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Table IEP-2 Initial Evaluation Procedure – Step 2

(Refer Table IEP - 1 for Step 1; Table IEP - 3 for Step 3, Table IEP - 4 for Steps 4, 5 and 6)

Building Name:	Linwood Nursery - Lunchroom	Ref.	ZB01276.020
Location:	320 Linwood Ave, Linwood, Christchurch	By	OAK
Direction Considered:	Longitudinal & Transverse	Date	15/04/2013
(Choose worse case if clear at start. Complete IEP-2 and IEP-3 for each if in doubt)			

Step 2 - Determination of (%NBS)b
2.1 Determine nominal (%NBS) = (%NBS)nom

Pre 1935

1935-1965

1965-1976

Seismic Zone; A

B

C

1976-1992

Seismic Zone; A

B

C

1992-2004

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<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>

See also notes 1, 3

See also note 2

b) Soil Type

From NZS1170.5:2004, Cl 3.1.3

A or B Rock

C Shallow Soil

D Soft Soil

E Very Soft Soil

<input type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>
<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>

From NZS4203:1992, Cl 4.6.2.2

(for 1992 to 2004 only and only if known)

a) Rigid

b) Intermediate

<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="radio"/>

N-A

c) Estimate Period, T

building Ht = **3** meters

Can use following:

$$T = 0.09h_n^{0.75}$$

for moment-resisting concrete frames

$$T = 0.14h_n^{0.75}$$

for moment-resisting steel frames

$$T = 0.08h_n^{0.75}$$

for eccentrically braced steel frames

$$T = 0.06h_n^{0.75}$$

for all other frame structures

$$T = 0.09h_n^{0.75}/A_c^{0.5}$$

for concrete shear walls

$$T \leq 0.4\text{sec}$$

for masonry shear walls

Longitudinal	Transverse
Ac =	m2
<input type="radio"/> MRCF	<input type="radio"/> MRCF
<input type="radio"/> MRSF	<input type="radio"/> MRSF
<input type="radio"/> EBSF	<input type="radio"/> EBSF
<input type="radio"/> Others	<input type="radio"/> Others
<input type="radio"/> CSW	<input type="radio"/> CSW
<input checked="" type="radio"/> MSW	<input checked="" type="radio"/> MSW

Where h_n = height in m from the base of the structure to the uppermost seismic weight or mass.

$$A_c = \sum A_i(0.2 + L_{wi}/h_n)^2$$

 A_i = cross-sectional shear area of shear wall i in the first storey of the building, in m²
 L_{wi} = length of shear wall i in the first storey in the direction parallel to the applied forces, in m

with the restriction that L_{wi}/h_n shall not exceed 0.9

Longitudinal	Transverse
0.4	0.4

Seconds

d) (%NBS)nom determined from Figure 3.3
Note 1: For buildings designed prior to 1965 and known to be designed as public buildings in accordance with the code of the time, multiply (%NBS)nom by 1.25.

No ☐ Factor 1

For buildings designed 1965 - 1976 and known to be designed as public buildings in accordance with the code of the time, multiply (%NBS)nom by 1.33 - Zone A or 1.2 - Zone B

No ☐ Factor 1

Note 2: For reinforced concrete buildings designed between 1976 -1984 (%NBS)nom by 1.2

No ☐ Factor 1

Note 3: For buildings designed prior to 1935 multiply (%NBS)nom by 0.8 except for Wellington where the factor may be taken as 1.

No ☐ Factor 1

Longitudinal	2.8	(%NBS)nom
Transverse	2.8	(%NBS)nom

Longitudinal	2.8	(%NBS)nom
Transverse	2.8	(%NBS)nom

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(Choose worse case if clear at start. Complete IEP-2 and IEP-3 for each if in doubt)			

2.2 Near Fault Scaling Factor, Factor AIf $T < 1.5\text{sec}$, Factor A = 1a) Near Fault Factor, $N(T,D)$

(from NZS1170.5:2004, Cl 3.1.6)

1

b) Near Fault Scaling Factor

= $1/N(T,D)$

Factor A	1.00
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2.3 Hazard Scaling Factor, Factor BSelect Location Christchurcha) Hazard Factor, Z , for site

(from NZS1170.5:2004, Table 3.3)

 $Z = 0.3$ $Z_{1992} = 0.8$

Auckland 0.6 Palm Nth 1.2

Wellington 1.2 Dunedin 0.6

Christchurch 0.8 Hamilton 0.67

b) Hazard Scaling Factor

For pre 1992 = $1/Z$ For 1992 onwards = Z_{1992}/Z

#

(Where Z_{1992} is the NZS4203:1992 Zone Factor from accompanying Figure 3.5(b))

Factor B	3.33
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2.4 Return Period Scaling Factor, Factor C

a) Building Importance Level

(from NZS1170.0:2004, Table 3.1 and 3.2)

2

b) Return Period Scaling Factor from accompanying Table 3.1

Factor C	1.00
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2.5 Ductility Scaling Factor, Da) Assessed Ductility of Existing Structure, μ

(shall be less than maximum given in accompanying Table 3.2)

Longitudinal 1.25

 μ Maximum = 2

Transverse 1.25

 μ Maximum = 2

b) Ductility Scaling Factor

For pre 1976

= k_μ

For 1976 onwards

= 1

(where k_μ is NZS1170.5:2005 Ductility Factor, from accompanying Table 3.3)

Longitudinal	Factor D	1.14
Transverse	Factor D	1.14

2.6 Structural Performance Scaling Factor, Factor E

Select Material of Lateral Load Resisting System

Longitudinal

Masonry Block

Transverse

Masonry Block

a) Structural Performance Factor, S_p

from accompanying Figure 3.4

Longitudinal

 S_p

0.90

Transverse

 S_p

0.90

b) Structural Performance Scaling Factor

Longitudinal

 $1/S_p$

Factor E

1.11

Transverse

 $1/S_p$

Factor E

1.11

2.7 Baseline %NBS for Building, $(\%NBS)_b$ (equals $(\%NSB)_{nom} \times A \times B \times C \times D \times E$)

Longitudinal	11.9	(%NBS) _b
Transverse	11.9	(%NBS) _b

Table IEP-3 Initial Evaluation Procedure – Step 3

(Refer Table IEP - 1 for Step 1; Table IEP - 2 for Step 2, Table IEP - 4 for Steps 4, 5 and 6)

Building Name: <u>Linwood Nursery - Lunchroom</u>	Ref. <u>ZB01276.020</u>
Location: <u>320 Linwood Ave, Linwood, Christchurch</u>	By <u>OAK</u>
Direction Considered: a) Longitudinal	Date <u>15/04/2013</u>
(Choose worse case if clear at start. Complete IEP-2 and IEP-3 for each if in doubt)	

Step 3 - Assessment of Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR)

(Refer Appendix B - Section B3.2)

Critical Structural Weakness**Effect on Structural Performance**

(Choose a value - Do not interpolate)

**Building
Score****3.1 Plan Irregularity**

Effect on Structural Performance

Comment

Severe	Significant	Insignificant
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Factor A **3.2 Vertical Irregularity**

Effect on Structural Performance

Comment

Severe	Significant	Insignificant
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Factor B **3.3 Short Columns**

Effect on Structural Performance

Comment

Severe	Significant	Insignificant
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Factor C **3.4 Pounding Potential**

(Estimate D1 and D2 and set D = the lower of the two, or =1.0 if no potential for pounding)

a) Factor D1: - Pounding Effect

Select appropriate value from Table

Note:

Values given assume the building has a frame structure. For stiff buildings (eg with shear walls), the effect of pounding may be reduced by taking the co-efficient to the right of the value applicable to frame buildings.

Factor D1

Table for Selection of Factor D1		Severe	Significant	Insignificant
Separation		0<Sep<.005H	.005<Sep<.01H	Sep>.01H
Alignment of Floors within 20% of Storey Height		<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.8	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1
Alignment of Floors not within 20% of Storey Height		<input type="radio"/> 0.4	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.8

b) Factor D2: - Height Difference Effect

Select appropriate value from Table

Factor D2

Table for Selection of Factor D2		Severe	Significant	Insignificant
Separation		0<Sep<.005H	.005<Sep<.01H	Sep>.01H
Height Difference > 4 Storeys		<input type="radio"/> 0.4	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1
Height Difference 2 to 4 Storeys		<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.9	<input type="radio"/> 1
Height Difference < 2 Storeys		<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 1

Factor D

(Set D = lesser of D1 and D2 or..

set D = 1.0 if no prospect of pounding)

3.5 Site Characteristics - (Stability, landslide threat, liquefaction etc)

Effect on Structural Performance

Severe	Significant	Insignificant
<input type="radio"/> 0.5	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1

Factor E **3.6 Other Factors**

For < 3 storeys - Maximum value 2.5,

otherwise - Maximum value 1.5. No minimum.

Factor F

Record rationale for choice of Factor F:

3.7 Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR)
 (equals A x B x C x D x E x F)
PAR

Table IEP-3

Initial Evaluation Procedure – Step 3

(Refer Table IEP - 1 for Step 1; Table IEP - 2 for Step 2, Table IEP - 4 for Steps 4, 5 and 6)

Building Name:	Linwood Nursery - Lunchroom	Ref.	ZB01276.020
Location:	320 Linwood Ave, Linwood, Christchurch	By	OAK
Direction Considered:	b) Transverse	Date	15/04/2013
(Choose worse case if clear at start. Complete IEP-2 and IEP-3 for each if in doubt)			

Step 3 - Assessment of Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR)

(Refer Appendix B - Section B3.2)

Critical Structural Weakness

Effect on Structural Performance
(Choose a value - Do not interpolate)

Building
Score

3.1 Plan Irregularity

Effect on Structural Performance

Comment

Severe	Significant	Insignificant
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Factor A

3.2 Vertical Irregularity

Effect on Structural Performance

Comment

Severe	Significant	Insignificant
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Factor B

3.3 Short Columns

Effect on Structural Performance

Comment

Severe	Significant	Insignificant
<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Factor C

3.4 Pounding Potential

(Estimate D1 and D2 and set D = the lower of the two, or =1.0 if no potential for pounding)

a) Factor D1: - Pounding Effect

Select appropriate value from Table

Note:

Values given assume the building has a frame structure. For stiff buildings (eg with shear walls), the effect of pounding may be reduced by taking the co-efficient to the right of the value applicable to frame buildings.

Table for Selection of Factor D1		Factor D1 <input type="text" value="1"/>		
		Severe	Significant	Insignificant
Separation		0<Sep<.005H	.005<Sep<.01H	Sep>.01H
Alignment of Floors within 20% of Storey Height		<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.8	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1
Alignment of Floors not within 20% of Storey Height		<input type="radio"/> 0.4	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.8

b) Factor D2: - Height Difference Effect

Select appropriate value from Table

Table for Selection of Factor D2		Factor D2 <input type="text" value="1"/>		
		Severe	Significant	Insignificant
Separation		0<Sep<.005H	.005<Sep<.01H	Sep>.01H
Height Difference > 4 Storeys		<input type="radio"/> 0.4	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1
Height Difference 2 to 4 Storeys		<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input type="radio"/> 0.9	<input type="radio"/> 1
Height Difference < 2 Storeys		<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 1	<input type="radio"/> 1

Factor D

(Set D = lesser of D1 and D2 or..
set D = 1.0 if no prospect of pounding)

3.5 Site Characteristics - (Stability, landslide threat, liquefaction etc)

Effect on Structural Performance

Severe	Significant	Insignificant
<input type="radio"/> 0.5	<input type="radio"/> 0.7	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1

Factor E

3.6 Other Factors

For < 3 storeys - Maximum value 2.5,

otherwise - Maximum value 1.5. No minimum.

Factor F

Record rationale for choice of Factor F:

3.7 Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR)
(equals A x B x C x D x E x F)

PAR

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Direction Considered:	Longitudinal & Transverse	Date	15/04/2013
(Choose worse case if clear at start. Complete IEP-2 and IEP-3 for each if in doubt)			

Step 4 - Percentage of New Building Standard (%NBS)

	Longitudinal	Transverse
4.1 Assessed Baseline (%NBS)_b (from Table IEP - 1)	11	11
4.2 Performance Achievement Ratio (PAR) (from Table IEP - 2)	1.00	1.00
4.3 PAR x Baseline (%NBS)_b	11	11
4.4 Percentage New Building Standard (%NBS) (Use lower of two values from Step 4.3)		11

Step 5 - Potentially Earthquake Prone?
 (Mark as appropriate)

 %NBS ≤ 33 **YES**
Step 6 - Potentially Earthquake Risk?
 %NBS < 67 **YES**
Step 7 - Provisional Grading for Seismic Risk based on IEP
Seismic Grade **E**
Evaluation Confirmed by

_____ Signature

_____ Name

_____ CPEng. No

Relationship between Seismic Grade and % NBS :

Grade:	A+	A	B	C	D	E
%NBS:	> 100	100 to 80	80 to 67	67 to 33	33 to 20	< 20



13. Appendix 3 – CERA Standardised Report Form

Location		Building Name: <u>Linwood Nursery - Lunch Room</u>		Unit No: <u>Street</u>	Reviewer: <u>TW Robertson</u>
Building Address: <u>320 Linwood Ave</u>		CPEng No: <u>28892</u>		Company: <u>SKM</u>	
Legal Description: <u></u>		Company project number: <u>ZB01276.20</u>		Company phone number: <u>03 940 4900</u>	
GPS south: <u></u>		Degrees	Min	Sec	Date of submission: <u>26-Jul</u>
GPS east: <u></u>					Inspection Date: <u>3/04/2012</u>
Building Unique Identifier (CCC): <u>PRK 0227 BLDG 003</u>				Revision: <u>E</u>	Is there a full report with this summary? <u>YES</u>

Site	Site slope: <u>flat</u>	Max retaining height (m): <u></u>
Site Class (to NZS1170.5): <u>D</u>	Soil type: <u></u>	Soil Profile (if available): <u></u>
Proximity to waterway (m, if <100m): <u></u>		
Proximity to cliff top (m, if < 100m): <u></u>	If Ground improvement on site, describe: <u></u>	
Proximity to cliff base (m, if <100m): <u></u>	Approx site elevation (m): <u></u>	

Building	No. of storeys above ground: <u>1</u>	single storey = 1	Ground floor elevation (Absolute) (m): <u></u>
Ground floor split?: <u>no</u>	Storeys below ground: <u>0</u>		Ground floor elevation above ground (m): <u></u>
Foundation type: <u>strip footings</u>	Building height (m): <u>3.00</u>	if Foundation type is other, describe: <u></u>	
Floor footprint area (approx): <u></u>	Age of Building (years): <u>50</u>	height from ground to level of uppermost seismic mass (for IEP only) (m): <u>3</u>	
Strengthening present?: <u>no</u>		Date of design: <u>1935-1965</u>	
Use (ground floor): <u>other (specify)</u>		If so, when (year)? <u></u>	
Use (upper floors): <u></u>		And what load level (%g)? <u></u>	
Use notes (if required): <u></u>		Brief strengthening description: <u></u>	
Importance level (to NZS1170.5): <u>IL2</u>			

Gravity Structure	Gravity System: <u>load bearing walls</u>	truss depth, purlin type and cladding: <u></u>
Roof: <u>timber truss</u>		slab thickness (mm): <u></u>
Floors: <u>concrete flat slab</u>		
Beams: <u></u>		
Columns: <u></u>		
Walls: <u>partially filled concrete masonry</u>		thickness (mm): <u>200</u>

Lateral load resisting structure	Lateral system along: <u>partially filled CMU</u>	Note: Define along and across in detailed report!	note total length of wall at ground (m): <u>21</u>
Ductility assumed, μ : <u>1.25</u>	Period along: <u>0.40</u>	0.40 from parameters in sheet	wall thickness (m): <u>0.2</u>
Total deflection (ULS) (mm): <u></u>			estimate or calculation? <u>estimated</u>
maximum interstorey deflection (ULS) (mm): <u></u>			estimate or calculation? <u></u>
Lateral system across: <u>partially filled CMU</u>	Period across: <u>0.40</u>	0.40 from parameters in sheet	note total length of wall at ground (m): <u>20</u>
Ductility assumed, μ : <u>1.25</u>			wall thickness (m): <u>0.2</u>
Total deflection (ULS) (mm): <u></u>			estimate or calculation? <u>estimated</u>
maximum interstorey deflection (ULS) (mm): <u></u>			estimate or calculation? <u></u>

Separations:	north (mm): <u></u>	leave blank if not relevant
east (mm): <u></u>		
south (mm): <u></u>		
west (mm): <u></u>		

Non-structural elements	Stairs: <u></u>	
Wall cladding: <u></u>		
Roof Cladding: <u>Metal</u>		describe: <u>Light weight profiled steel cladding</u>
Glazing: <u></u>		
Ceilings: <u>fibrous plaster, fixed</u>		
Services (list): <u>Lights</u>		

Available documentation	Architectural: <u>none</u>	original designer name/date: <u></u>
Structural: <u>none</u>		original designer name/date: <u></u>
Mechanical: <u>none</u>		original designer name/date: <u></u>
Electrical: <u>none</u>		original designer name/date: <u></u>
Geotech report: <u>none</u>		original designer name/date: <u></u>

Damage Site: (refer DEE Table 4-2)	Site performance: <u>1</u>	Describe damage: <u>Some existing settlement</u>
Settlement: <u>0-25mm</u>		notes (if applicable): <u>Not earthquake related</u>
Differential settlement: <u>1:150 or more</u>		notes (if applicable): <u>Not earthquake related</u>
Liquefaction: <u>none apparent</u>		notes (if applicable): <u></u>
Lateral Spread: <u>none apparent</u>		notes (if applicable): <u></u>
Differential lateral spread: <u>none apparent</u>		notes (if applicable): <u></u>
Ground cracks: <u>none apparent</u>		notes (if applicable): <u></u>
Damage to area: <u>none apparent</u>		notes (if applicable): <u></u>

Building:	Current Placard Status: <u>green</u>	
Along	Damage ratio: <u>0%</u>	Describe how damage ratio arrived at: <u></u>
	Damage to building is primarily pre-existing	
Across	Damage ratio: <u>0%</u>	
	Damage to building is primarily pre-existing	
Diaphragms	Damage?: <u>no</u>	Describe: <u></u>
CSWs:	Damage?: <u>no</u>	Describe: <u></u>
Pounding:	Damage?: <u>no</u>	Describe: <u></u>
Non-structural:	Damage?: <u>yes</u>	Describe: <u>Cracking to masonry cladding on fireplace</u>

Recommendations	Level of repair/strengthening required: <u>demolition</u>	Damage to building prior to earthquake has weakened the building. Repair to building will be prohibitably expensive
Building Consent required: <u>yes</u>		Describe: <u></u>
Interim occupancy recommendations: <u>full occupancy</u>		Describe: <u></u>
Along	Assessed %NBS before: <u>11%</u>	%NBS from IEP below
	Assessed %NBS after: <u>11%</u>	
Across	Assessed %NBS before: <u>11%</u>	%NBS from IEP below
	Assessed %NBS after: <u>11%</u>	

$$Damage_Ratio = \frac{(\% NBS (before) - \% NBS (after))}{\% NBS (before)}$$



14. Appendix 4 – Geotechnical Desk Study



Christchurch City Council - Structural Engineering Service

Geotechnical Desk Study

SKM project number	ZB01276
SKM project site number	019 to 032 inclusive
Address	320 Linwood Ave
Report date	03 April 2012
Author	Ross Roberts \ Ananth Balachandra
Reviewer	Leah Bateman
Approved for issue	Yes

1. Introduction

This report outlines the geotechnical information that Sinclair Knight Merz (SKM) has been able to source from our database and other sources in relation to the property listed above. We understand that this information will be used as part of an initial qualitative Detailed Engineering Evaluation (DEE) and will be supplemented by more detailed information and investigations to allow detailed scoping of the repair or rebuild of the building.

2. Scope

This geotechnical desk top study incorporates information sourced from:

- Published geology
- Publically available borehole records
- Liquefaction records
- Aerial photography
- Council files
- A preliminary site walkover

3. Limitations

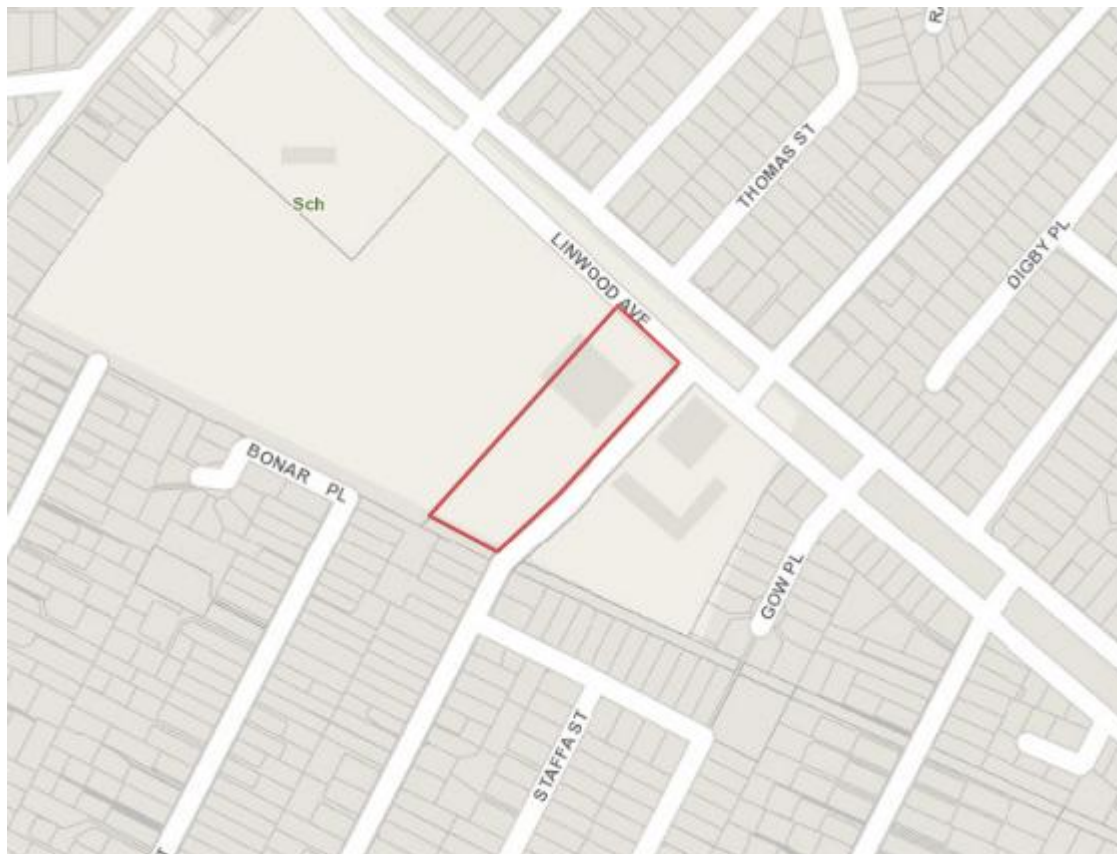
This report was prepared to address geotechnical issues relating to the specific site in accordance with the scope of works as defined in the contract between SKM and our Client. This report has been prepared on behalf of, and for the exclusive use of, our Client, and is subject to, and issued in accordance with, the provisions of the contract between SKM and our Client. The findings presented in this report should not be applied to another site or another development within the same site without consulting SKM.

The assessment undertaken by SKM was limited to a desktop review of the data described in this report. SKM has not undertaken any subsurface investigations, measurement or testing of materials from the site. In preparing this report, SKM has relied upon, and presumed accurate, any information (or confirmation of the absence thereof) provided by our Client, and from other sources as described in the report. Except as otherwise stated in this report, SKM has not attempted to verify the accuracy or completeness of any such information.



This report should be read in full and no excerpts are to be taken as representative of the findings. It must not be copied in parts, have parts removed, redrawn or otherwise altered without the written consent of SKM.

4. Site location



■ **Figure 1 – Site location (courtesy of LINZ <http://viewers.geospatial.govt.nz>)**

These structures are located on Linwood Avenue at grid reference 1573857 E, 5179462 N (NZTM).



5. Review of available information

5.1 Geological maps



■ Figure 2 – Regional geological map (Forsyth et al, 2008). Site marked in red.

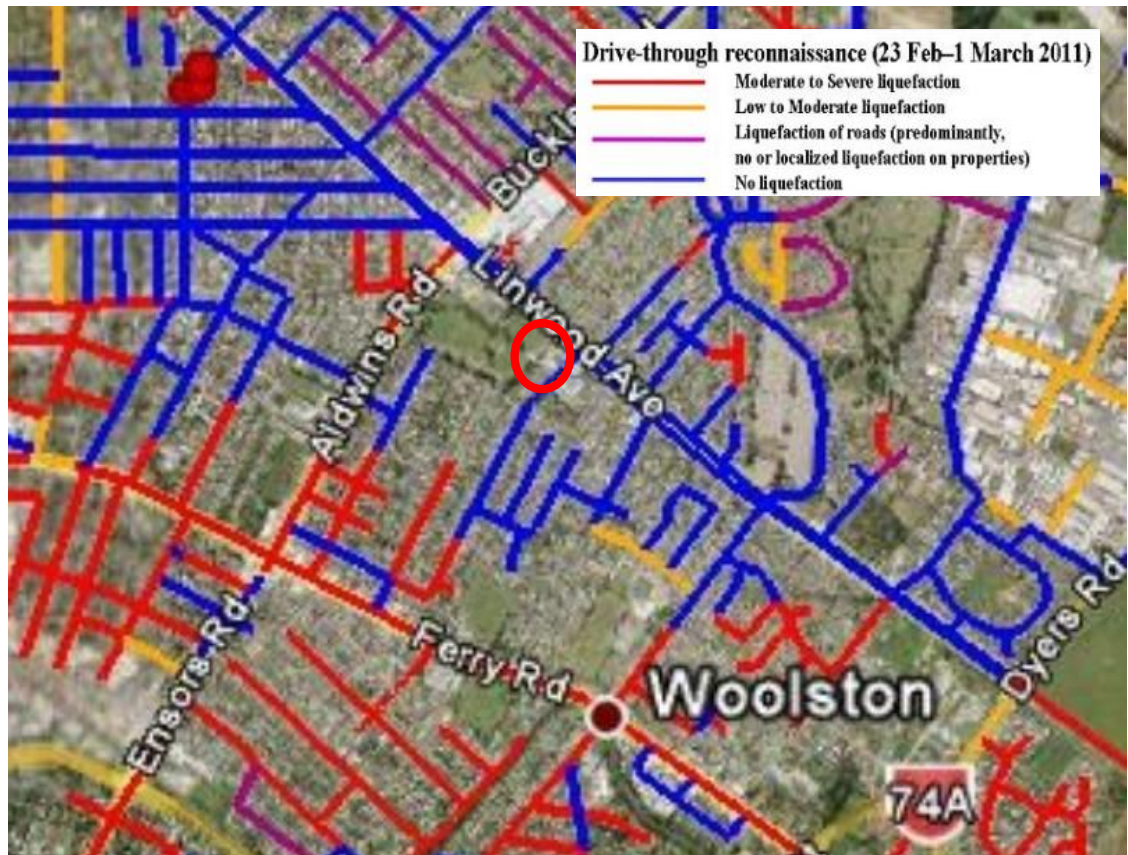


■ Figure 3 – Local geological map (Brown et al, 1992). Site marked in red.

The northern section of the site is shown to be underlain by Holocene deposits comprising sand of fixed and semi-fixed dunes and beaches of the Christchurch formation while the southern end of the site is shown to be underlain by Holocene deposits comprising of alluvial sand and silt over bank deposits forming the Springston Formation.



5.2 Liquefaction map



■ **Figure 4 – Liquefaction map (Cubrinovski & Taylor, 2011). Site marked in red.**

Following the 22 February 2011 event drive through reconnaissance was undertaken from 23 February until 1 March by M Cubrinovski and M Taylor of Canterbury University. Their findings show no liquefaction at this site.



5.3 Aerial photography



■ **Figure 5 – Aerial photography from 24 Feb 2011 (<http://viewers.geospatial.govt.nz/>)**

There appears to be liquefied material present at the northern end of the tennis courts. This relates well with the inferred underlying geology of the site, where the northern end of the site was shown to be underlain by sand of fixed and semi-fixed dunes. No liquefied material can be seen in the southern end of the site from the aerial photographs.

5.4 CERA classification

A review of the LINZ website (<http://viewers.geospatial.govt.nz/>) shows that the site is:

- Zone: Green
- DBH Technical Category: N/A (Urban Non-residential) – adjacent properties to the north and south of the site are TC2



5.5 Historical land use

Reference to historical documents (e.g. Appendix A) shows that some of the site (the northern end) was recorded as marshland or swamp in 1856. The whole of Linwood Park, immediately to the left of the property, was recorded to be marshland or swamp in 1856. It is therefore likely that soft or liquefiable ground would be present near the site. Given the relatively low accuracy of these historical documents, it should be considered possible that old swamp deposits are present on the site.

5.6 Existing ground investigation data



- **Figure 6 – Local boreholes from Project Orbit and SKM files (<https://canterburyrecovery.projectorbit.com/>)**

Where available logs from these investigation locations are attached to this report (Appendix B), and the results are summarised in Appendix C.



5.7 Council property files

The available council property files for the site are building consent document relating to the alterations of the structure on site and construction of an underground fuel tank.

From available drawing, a 100mm concrete floor slab supported on hardfill and 200mm diameter concrete posthole footings to a depth of 1000mm beneath the walls of the structure are shown. A minimum reinforcement to a depth of 300mm below ground level for the post hole footing is specified. No indication on the depth of hardfill is provided in the available records. There is a possibility of contamination on site due to the presence of the fuel tank. However, no other hazards were identified in the available council records.

Detailed information about the geology underlying the site was not found in the available council records. However, ground investigation for the adjacent property to the east shows a ground profile consisting of 0.5m of topsoil or sandy clay and medium sand to be present from 0.5m to 3.8m. An allowable bearing capacity of 200 kPa was identified for the medium sand layer.

5.8 Site walkover

The main buildings were constructed using masonry blocks and metal clad roofs. A number of glasshouses and open frames were also present on site. No damage to any of the buildings was observed during the external site visit. Residents at the property mentioned that they saw no sign of liquefaction. Most of the site was asphalted, with no signs indicating that land damage occurred.



■ **Figure 7 Overview of Linwood nursery building**



■ **Figure 8 Overview of garden area**

6. Conclusions and recommendations

6.1 Site geology

The available geotechnical investigation data are at considerable distance away from the site. Additionally, from the local geological map it was inferred that a geological boundary between deposits forming the Christchurch formation and deposits forming the Springston formation is present beneath the site. An inference on possible underlying geology based on available investigation data is made below. However, the site geology would need to be confirmed through further investigation conducted closer to the site.

Depth range (mBLG)	Soil type
0 - 1	Sensitive fine grained soils (clay or silt)
1 - 8	Very stiff clays and loose to dense clayey sand
8 – 19	Dense sand
19 – 21	Interbedded clay and silt
21 - 23	Dense sand
23 +	Soft to firm clay or silt



6.2 Seismic site subsoil class

The site has been assessed as NZS1170.5 Class D (deep or soft soil) from adjacent borehole logs.

As described in NZS1170, the preferred site classification method is from site periods based on four times the shear wave travel time through material from the surface to the underlying rock. The next preferred methods are from borelogs including measurement of geotechnical properties or by evaluation of site periods from Nakamura ratios or from recorded earthquake motions. Lacking this information, classification may be based on boreholes with descriptors but no geotechnical measurements. The least preferred method is from surface geology and estimates of the depth to underlying rock.

In this case the second preferred method has been used to make the assessment utilising records from sites at least 50 m from the site. It is therefore possible that site specific investigation could revise the site class.

6.3 Building performance

The performance to date suggests that the existing foundations are adequate for their current purpose.

6.4 Ground performance and properties

There is significant uncertainty in the underlying geology, due to the likely geological boundary identified in section **Error! Reference source not found.** present beneath the site. Evidence of different geotechnical behaviour of the underlying soil layer could be seen by the fact that some liquefaction was observed near the north eastern part of the site but no significant land damage due to recent earthquakes was observed in the southern parts of the site. Conclusions about the location of the geological boundary or the geotechnical properties of the two geological units were not able to be made from available ground investigation data.

However, there was little damage to the structure or the surrounding land noted during the site inspection. It is also expected that the two formations are likely to comprise predominantly sand mixtures in which case the ground investigation data available for adjacent sites could be used to estimate the likely ground properties of the site. Therefore, for the purposes of carrying out a quantitative DEE, the following parameters are recommended for the shallow soil layer:

- Effective angle of friction = 35 degrees
- Apparent cohesion = 1 kPa
- Unit weight = 18 kPa
- Ultimate bearing capacity = 300 kPa

It is noted these parameters should not be used for consent or design purposes and ground conditions should be confirmed by a geotechnical investigation.

Liquefaction risk is expected to be low at this site. However, it should be noted that the liquefaction susceptibility of the two geological units underlying the site could be different but a reliable assessment of this could not be made using available information. If a more detailed assessment of liquefaction risk is needed, additional investigations on site would be required.



6.5 Further investigations

No further investigations are likely to be necessary in order to undertake a quantitative DEE for the site. However, due to concerns raised in section 6.4, additional investigations will be required for consenting and design purposes if this is to be carried out.

In which case, further investigations recommended are:

- Four CPTs to refusal spread evenly throughout the site

Building consent drawings shows a fuel tank was proposed to be built at the corner of the nursery building and shade house. The presence and location of the fuel tank would need to be confirmed before undertaking any additional investigations.

7. References

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Cubrinovski & Taylor, 2011. Liquefaction map summarising preliminary assessment of liquefaction in urban areas following the 2010 Darfield Earthquake.

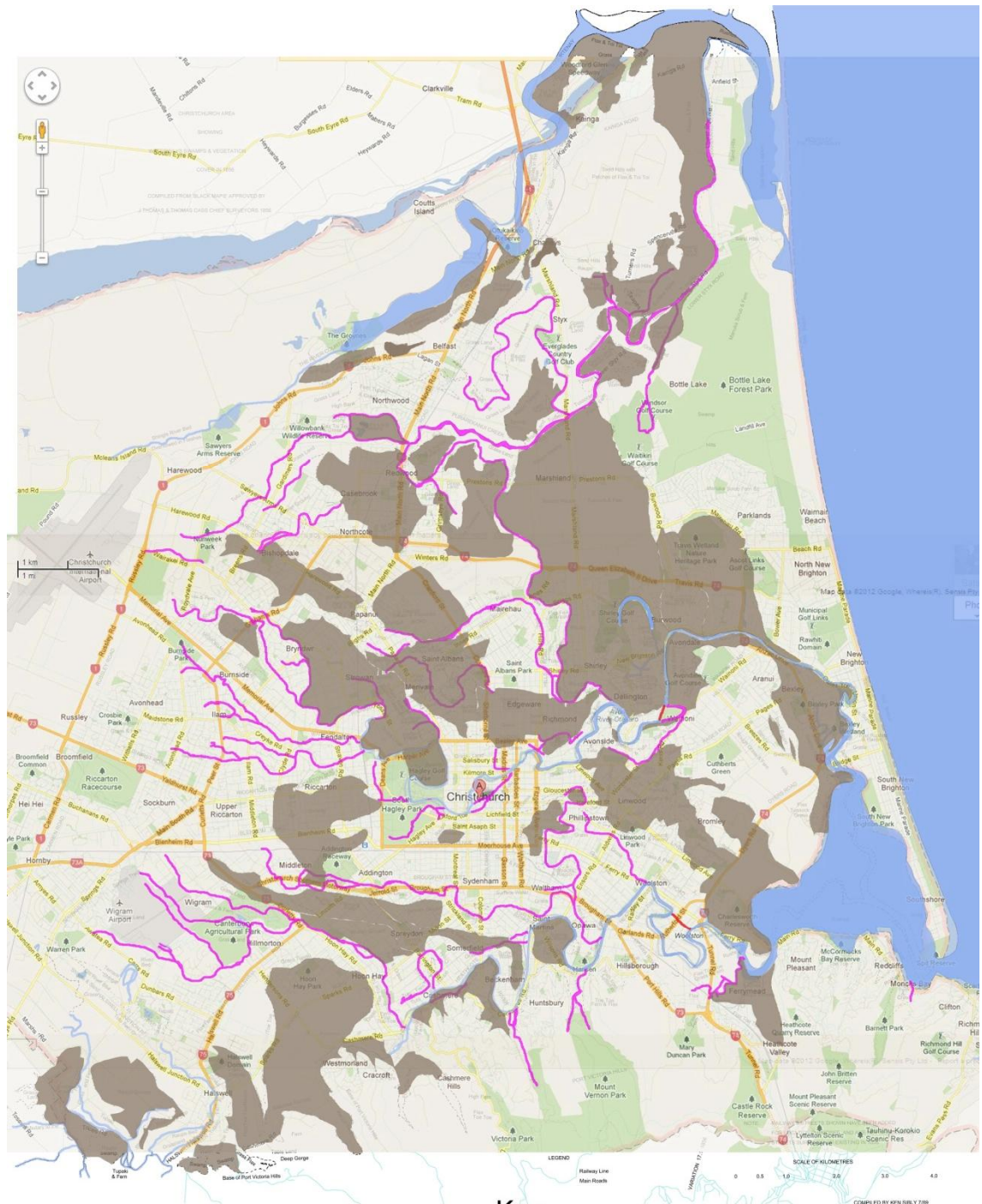
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Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) geospatial viewer (<http://viewers.geospatial.govt.nz/>)

EQC Project Orbit geotechnical viewer (<https://canterburyrecovery.projectorbit.com/>)



Appendix A – Christchurch 1856 land use



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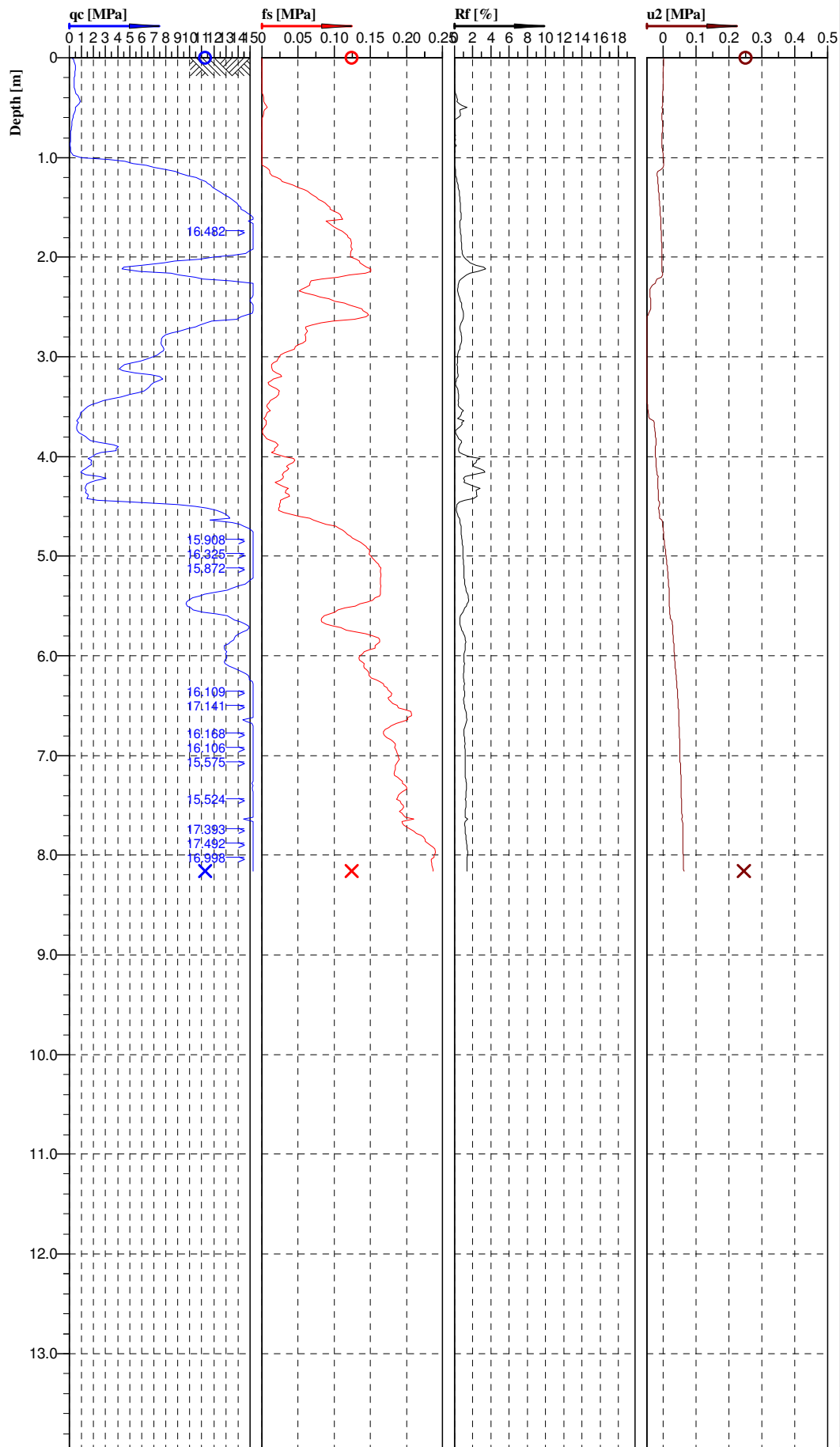
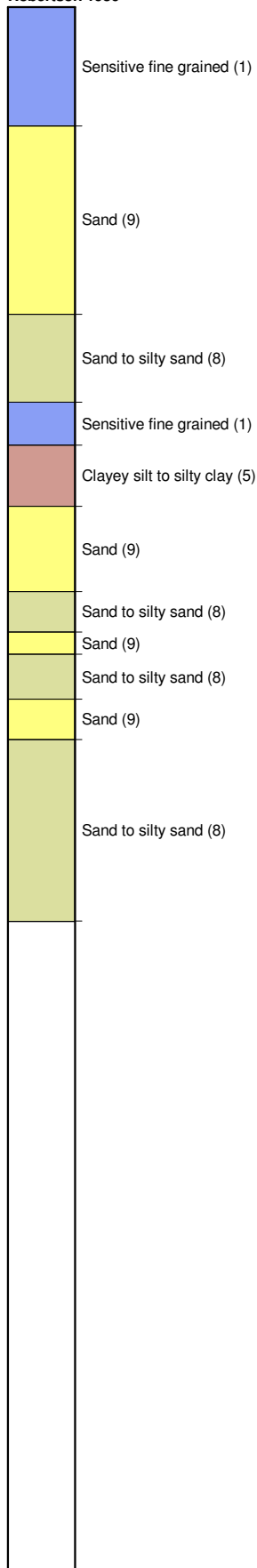
- Previous creeks/ivers
- Existing creeks/ivers
- New creeks/ivers
- Swamp/Marshland

The swamps and previous creeks/ivers from 1856 have been overlaid onto a map of Christchurch in 2012



Appendix B – Existing ground investigation logs

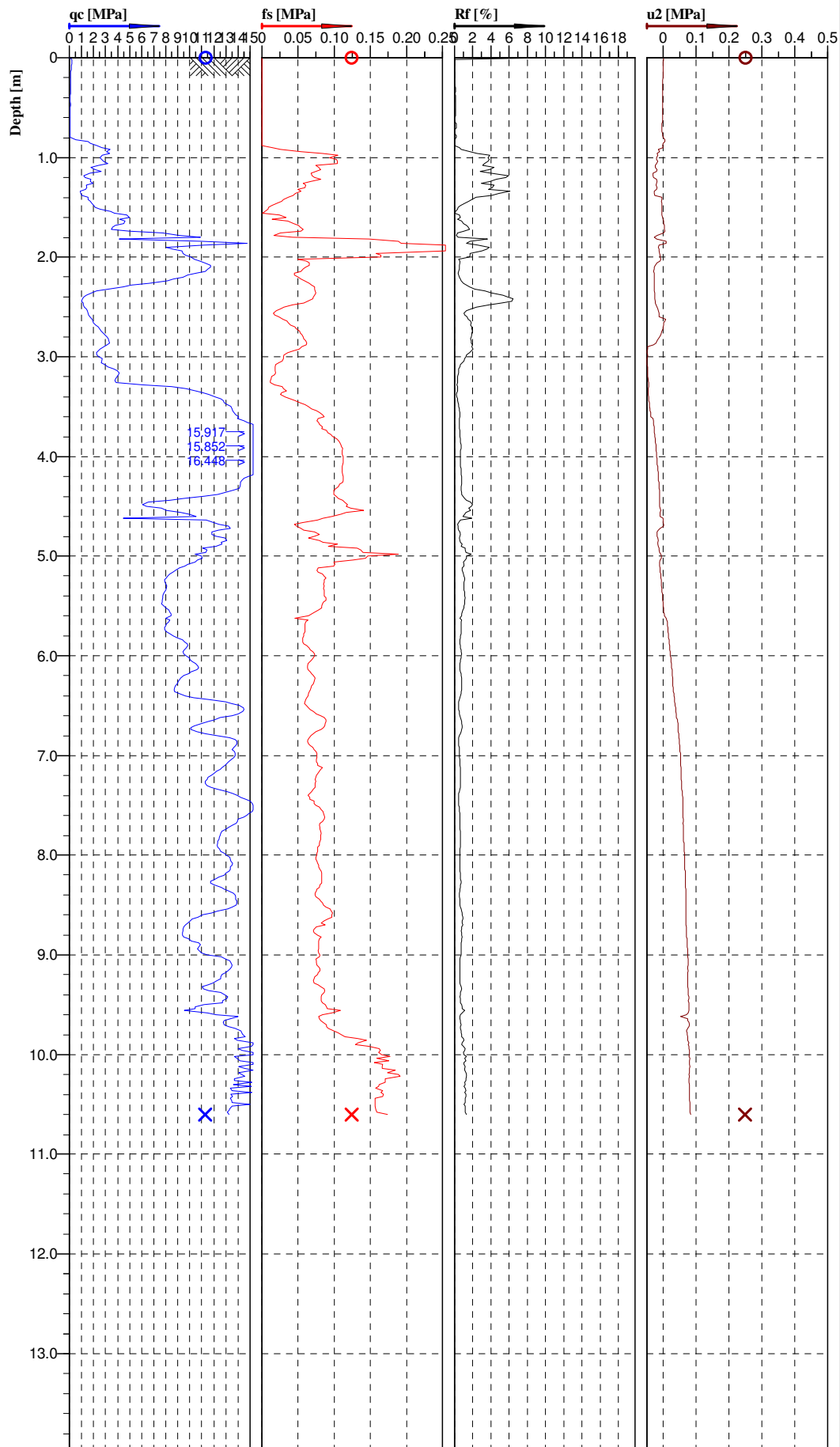
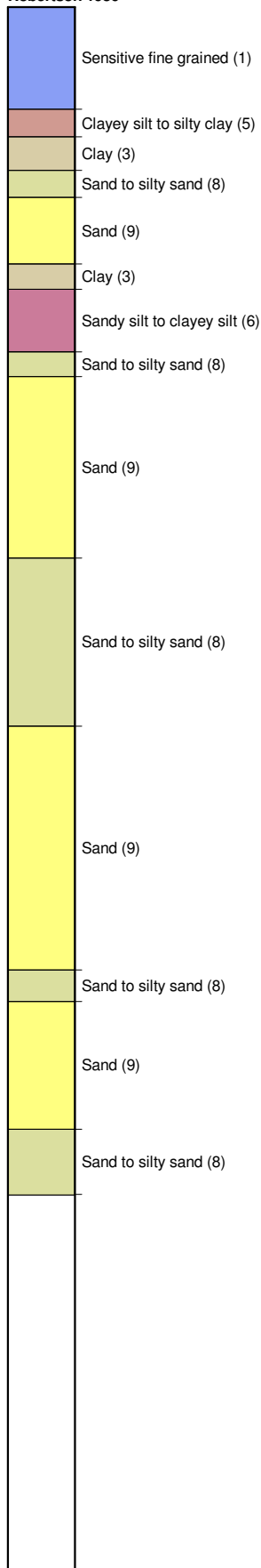
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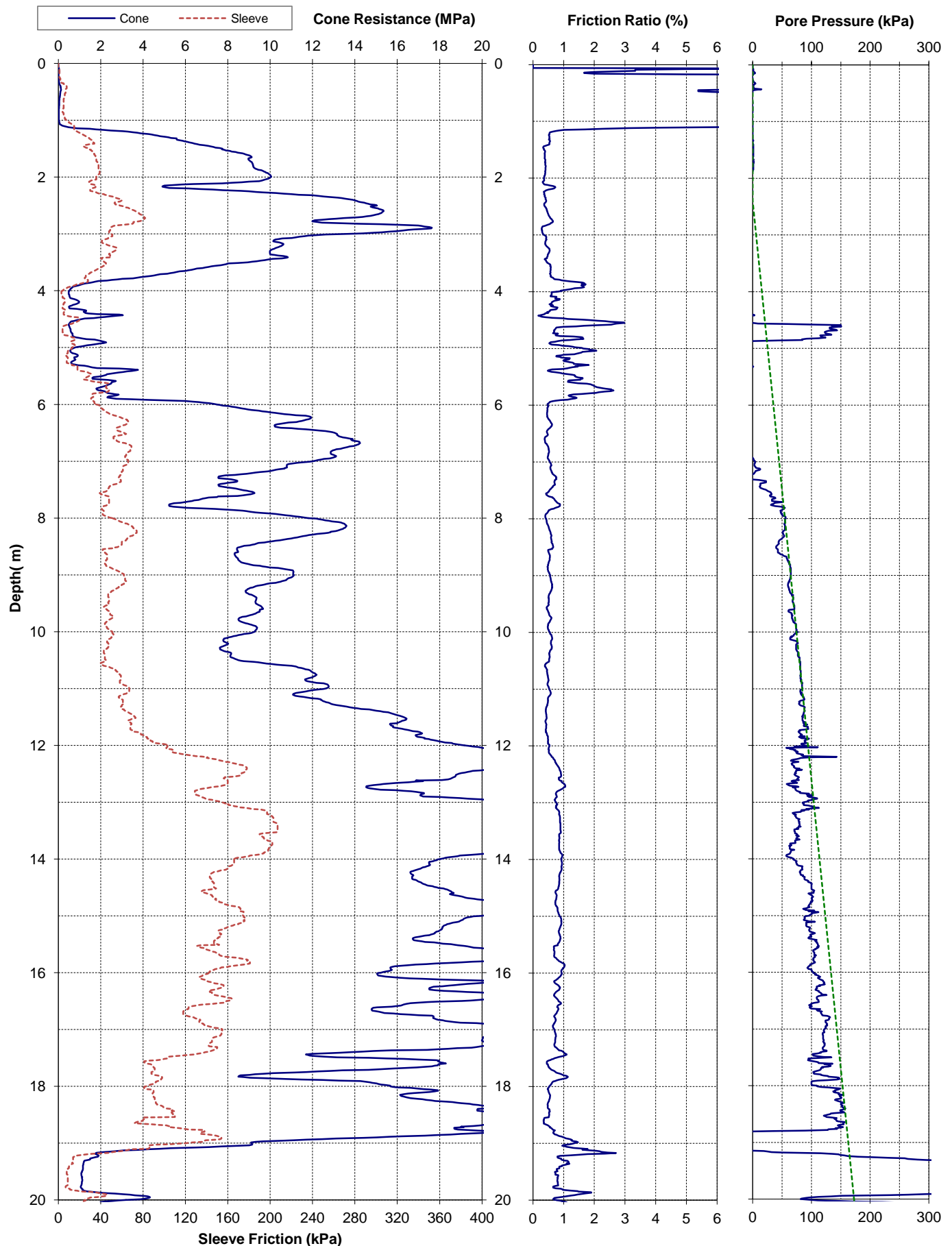




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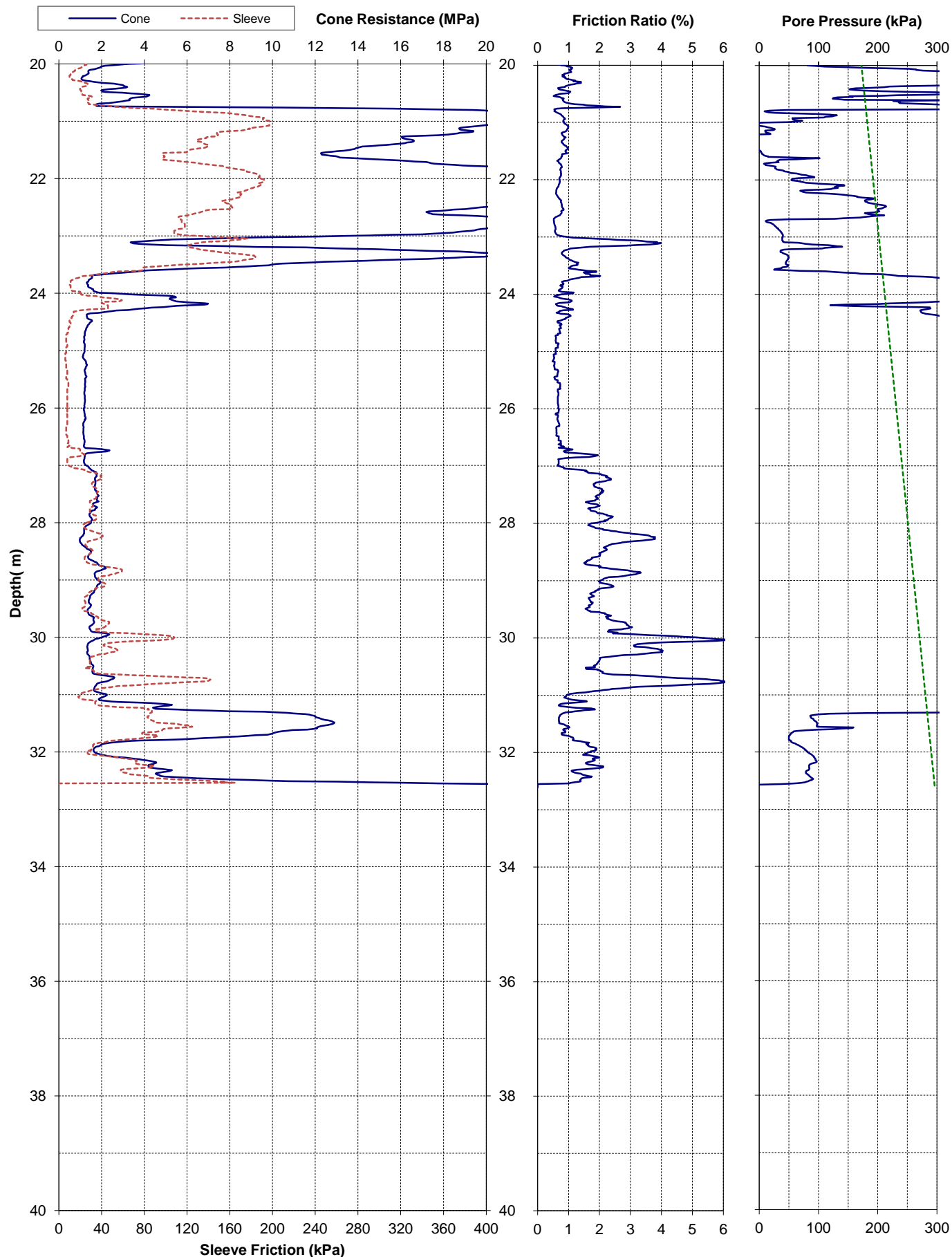


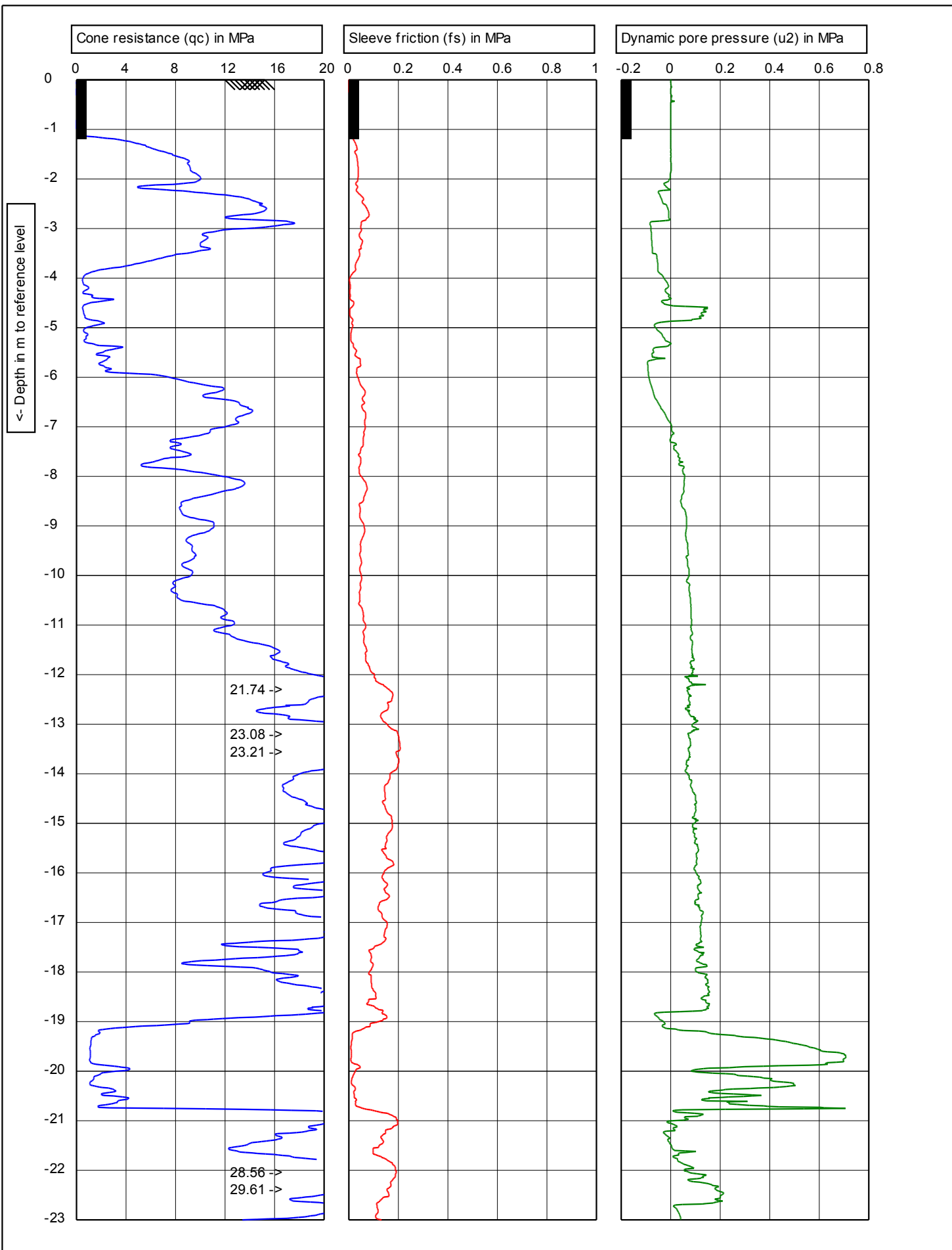
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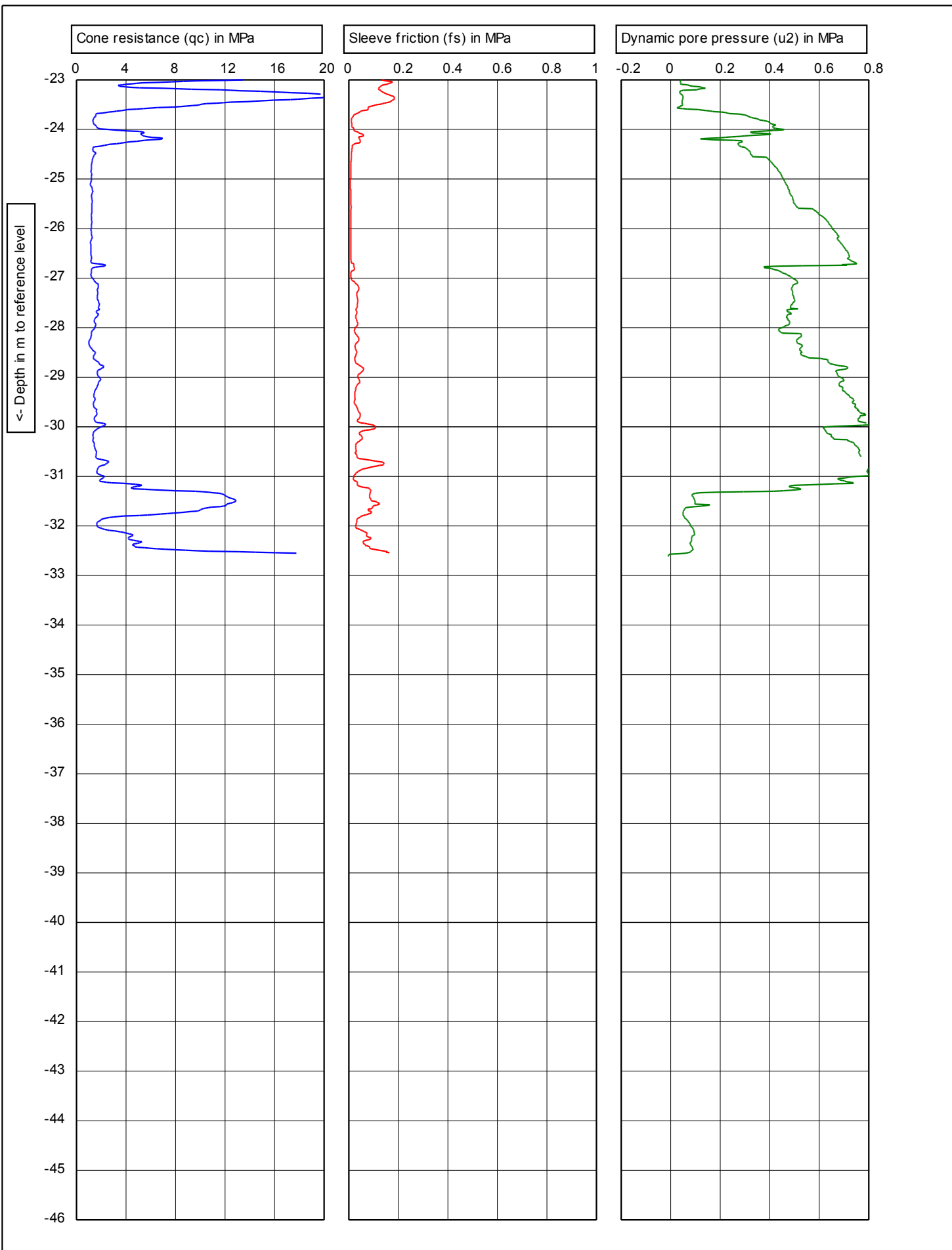
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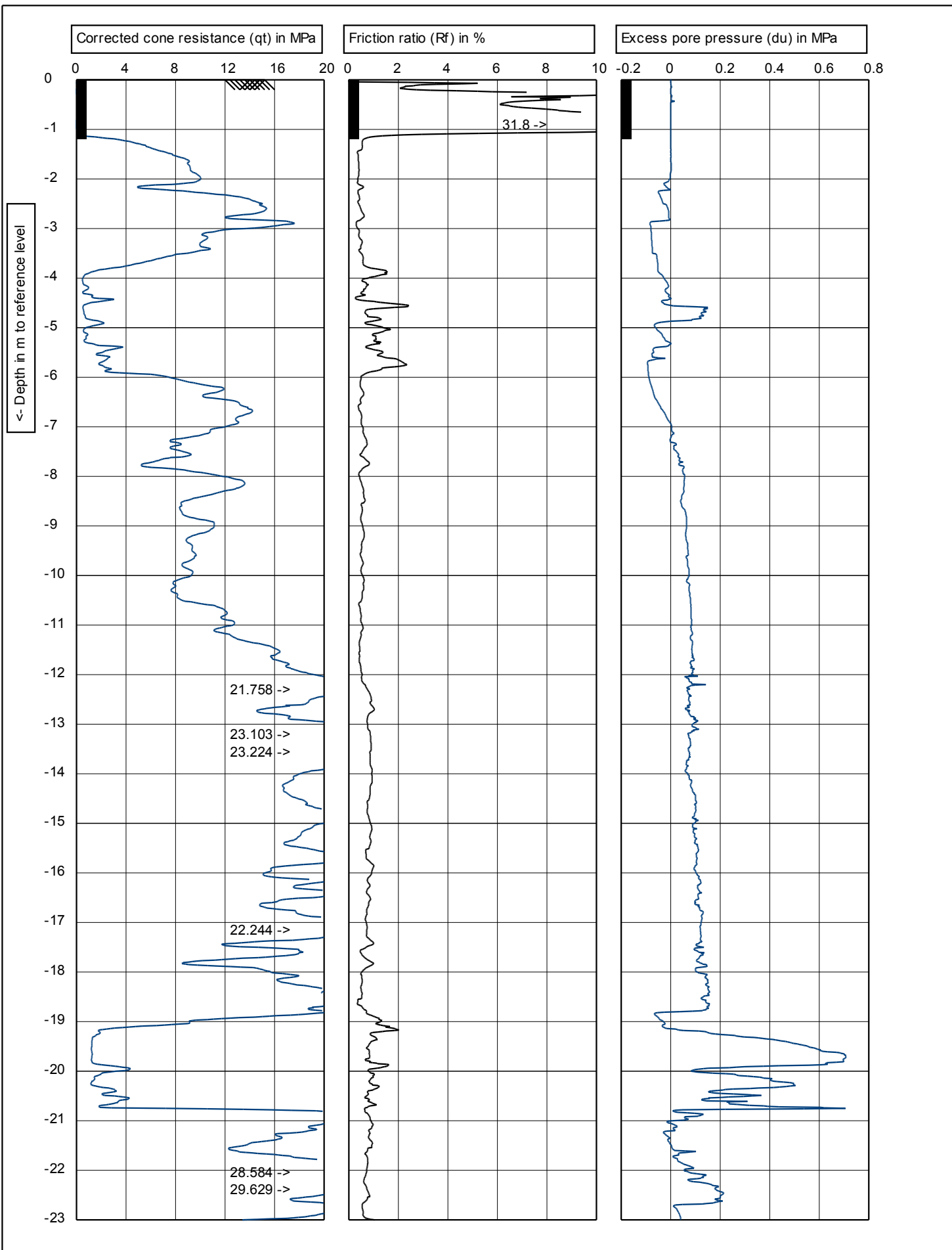


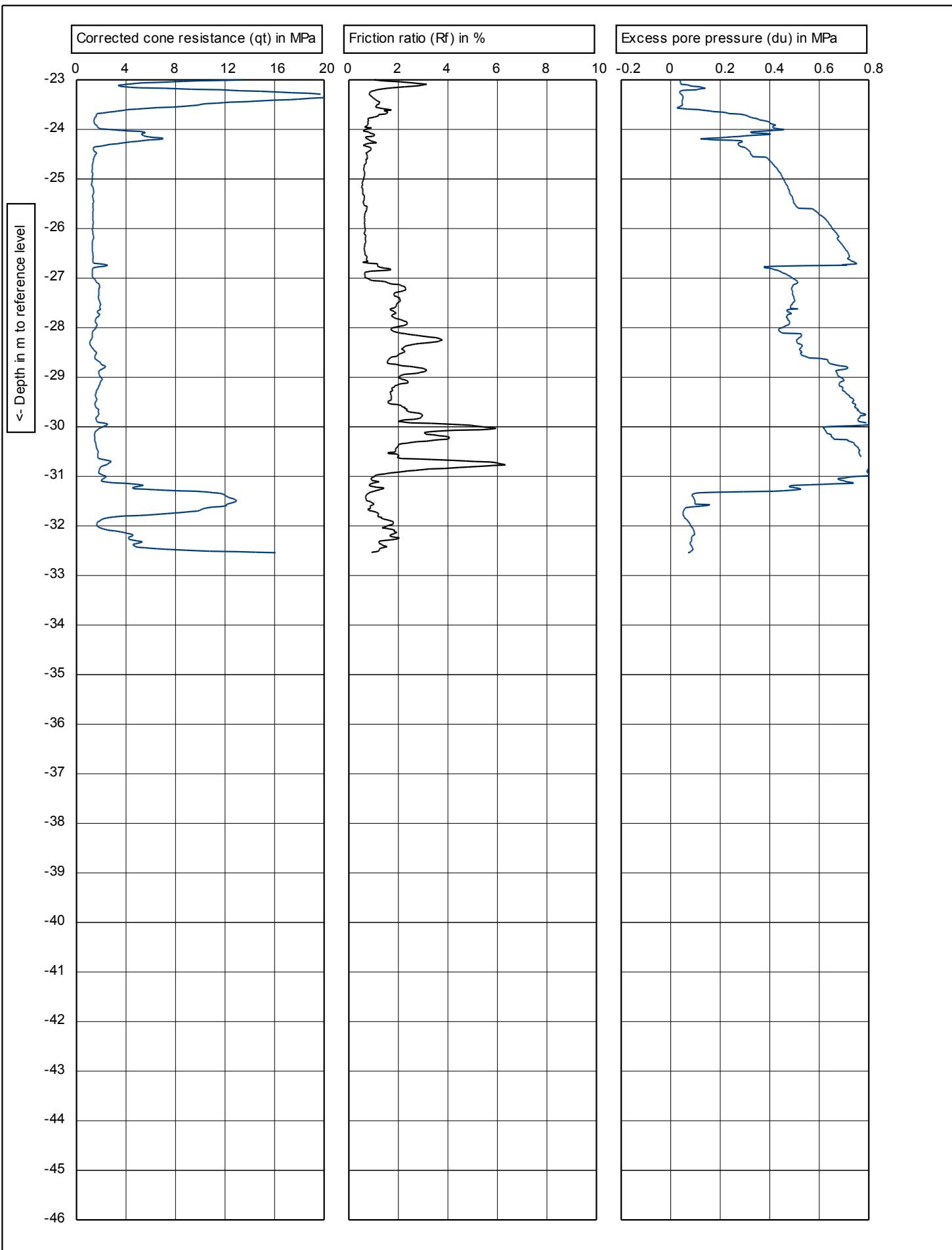
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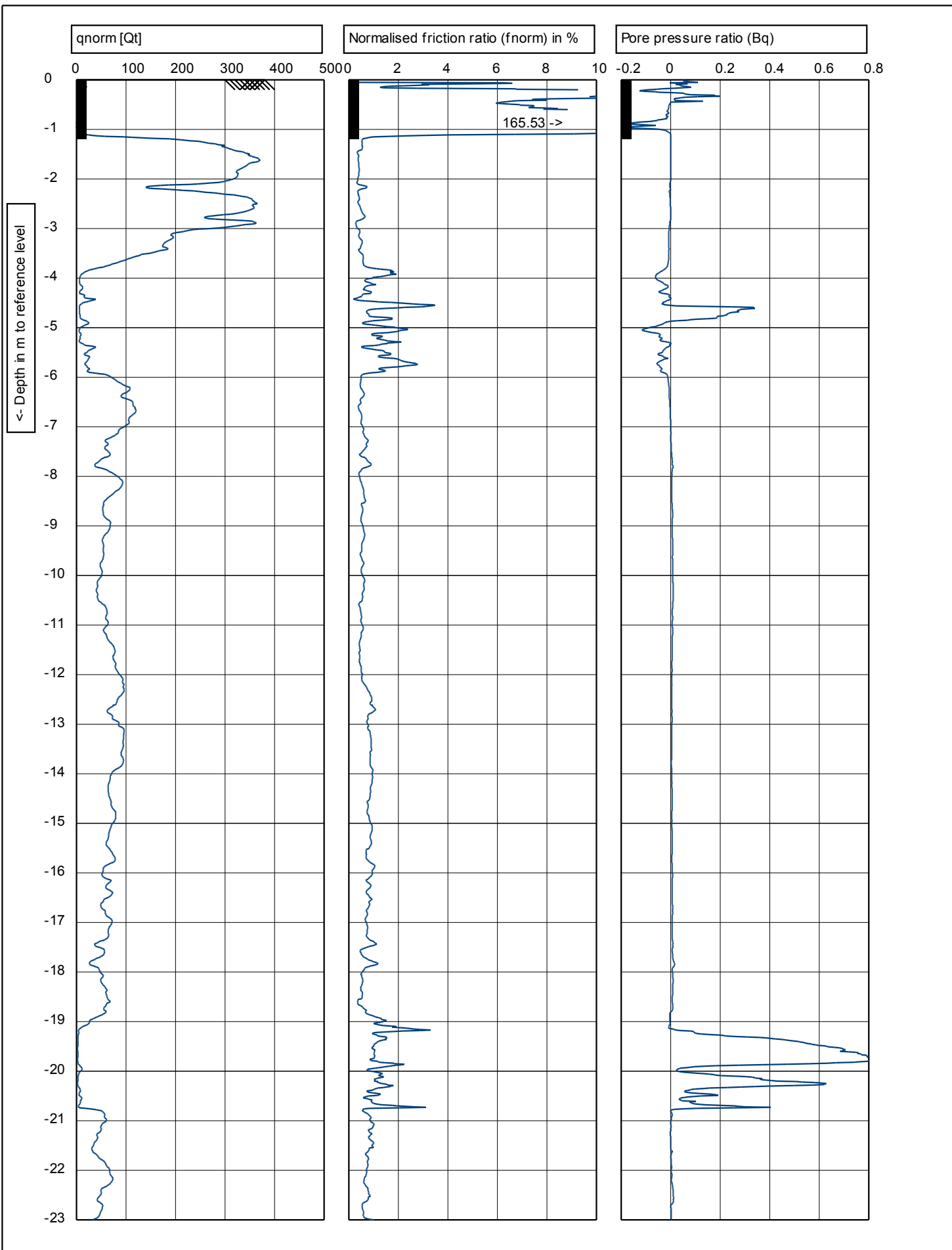






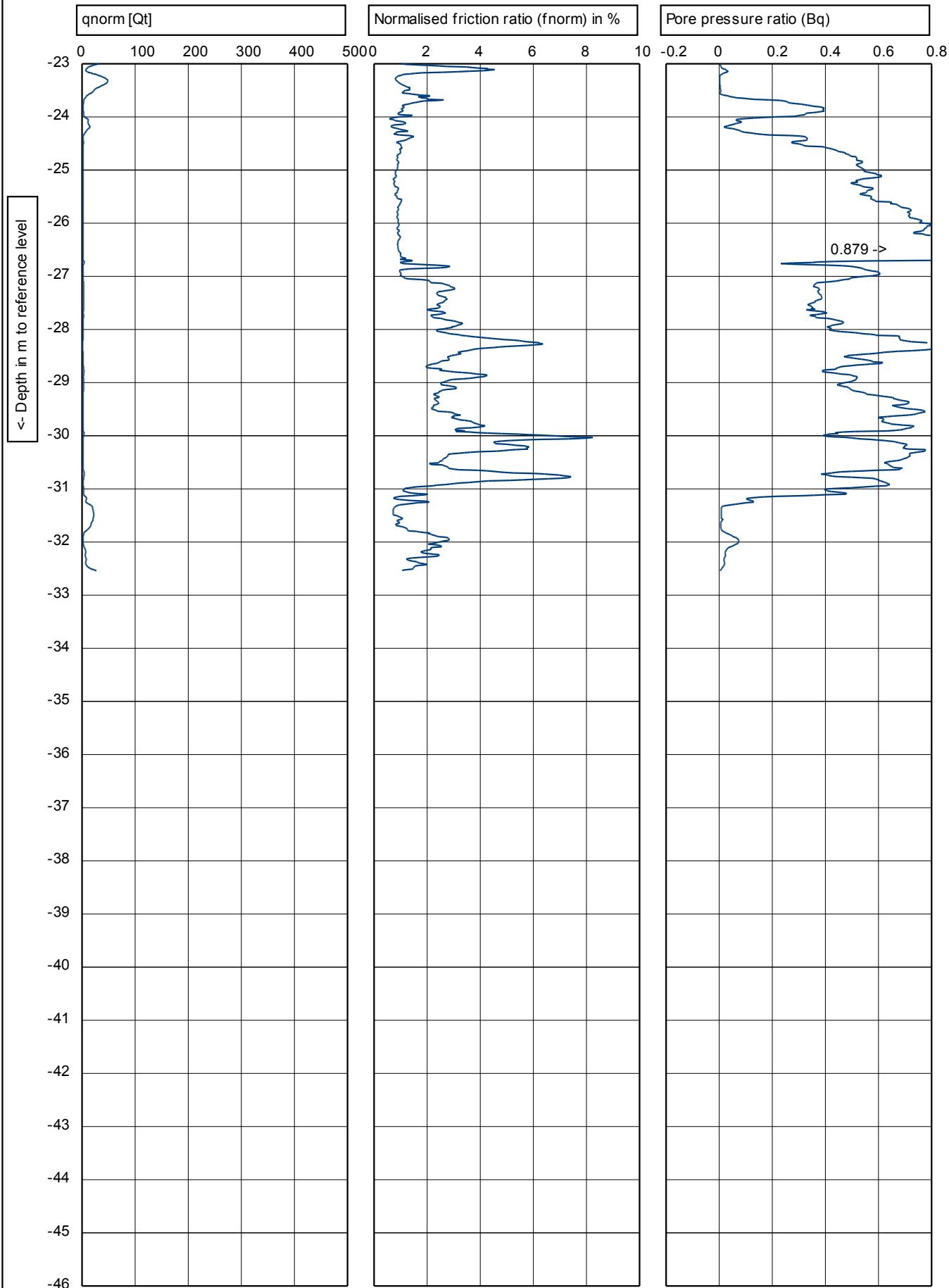








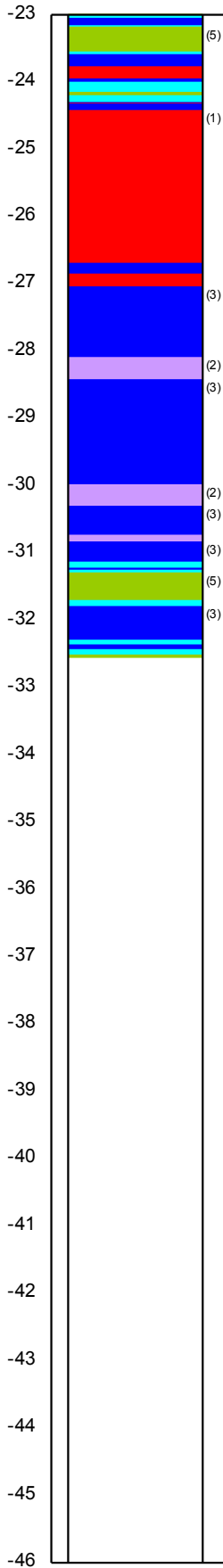
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Soil Classification (using Fr)

Soil Classification (using Bq)

<- Depth in m to reference level



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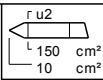
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- (0) Not defined
- (1) Sensitive, fine grained
- (2) Organic soils-peats
- (3) Clays-clay to silty clay
- (4) Clayey silt to silty clay
- (5) Sand mixtures
- (6) Sands
- (7) Gravelly sand to sand
- (8) Very stiff sand to clayey sand
- (9) Very stiff fine grained



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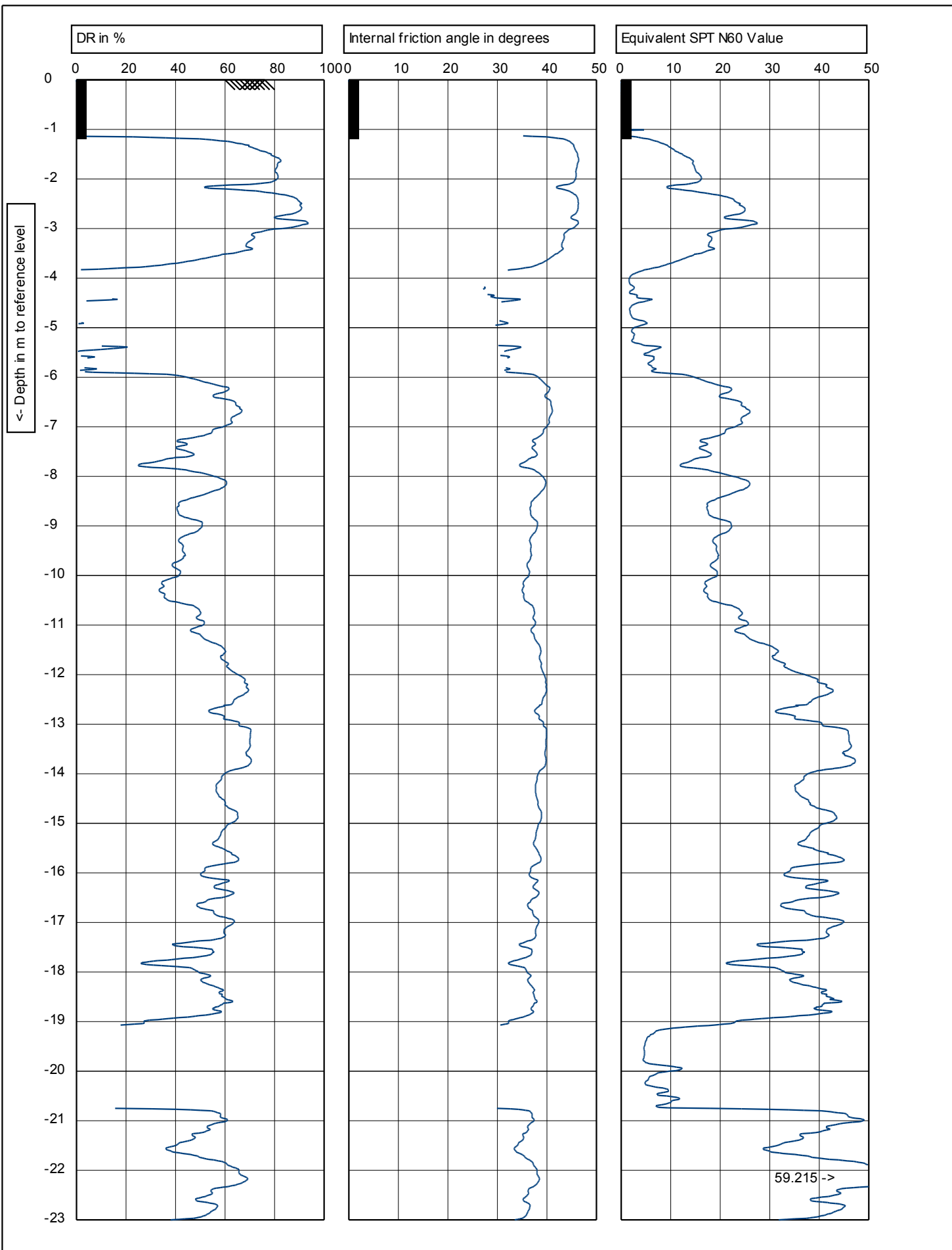
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
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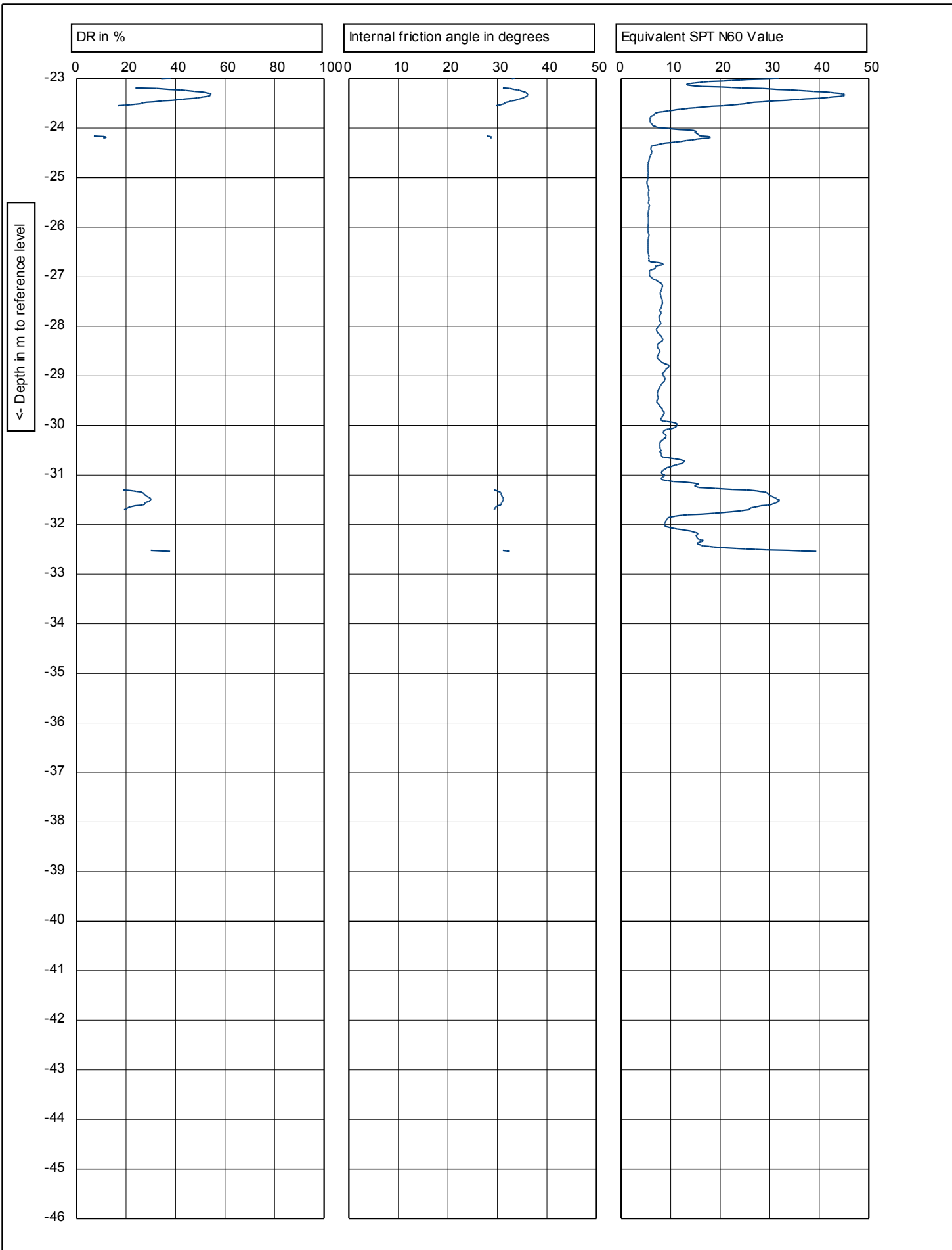
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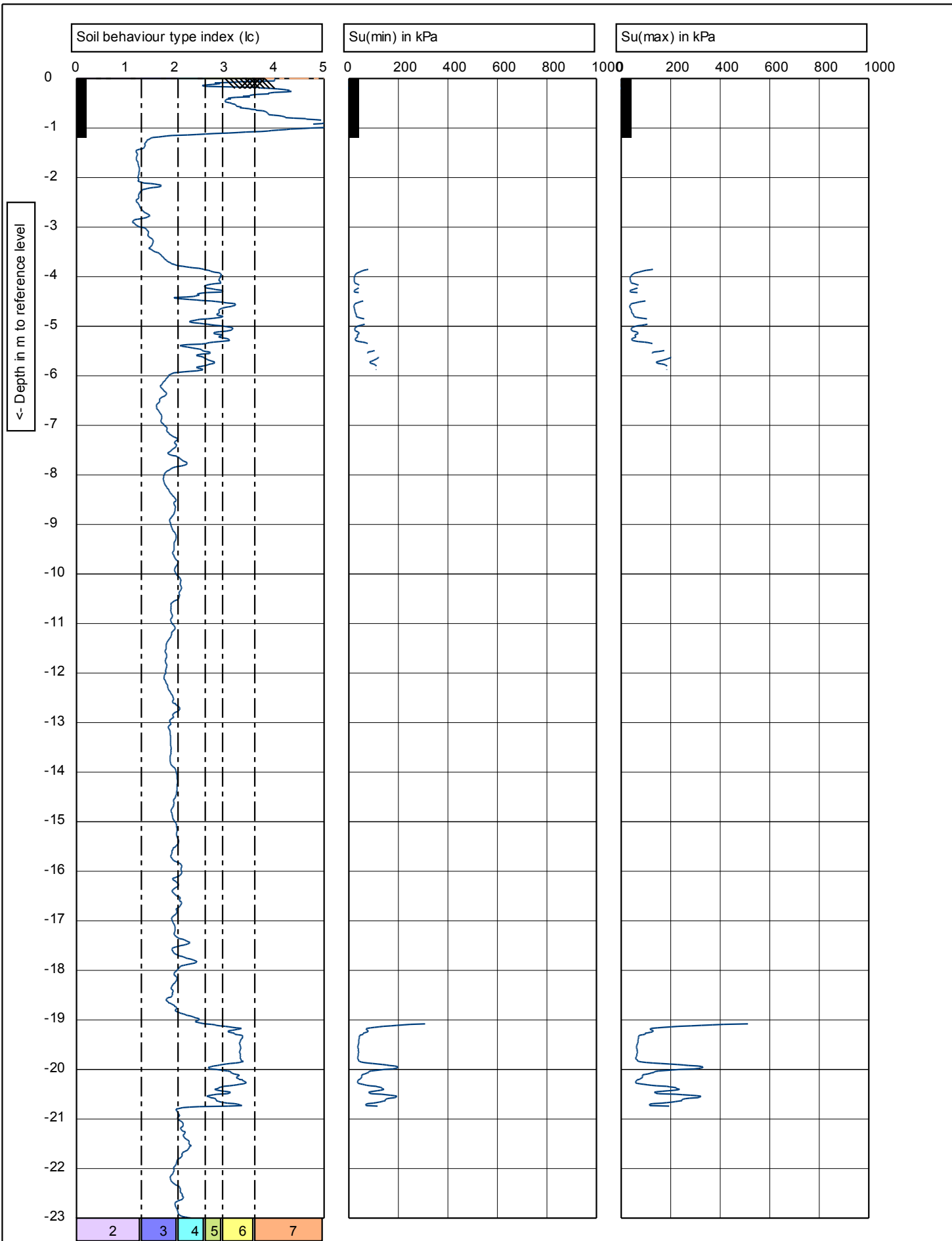
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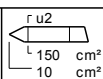
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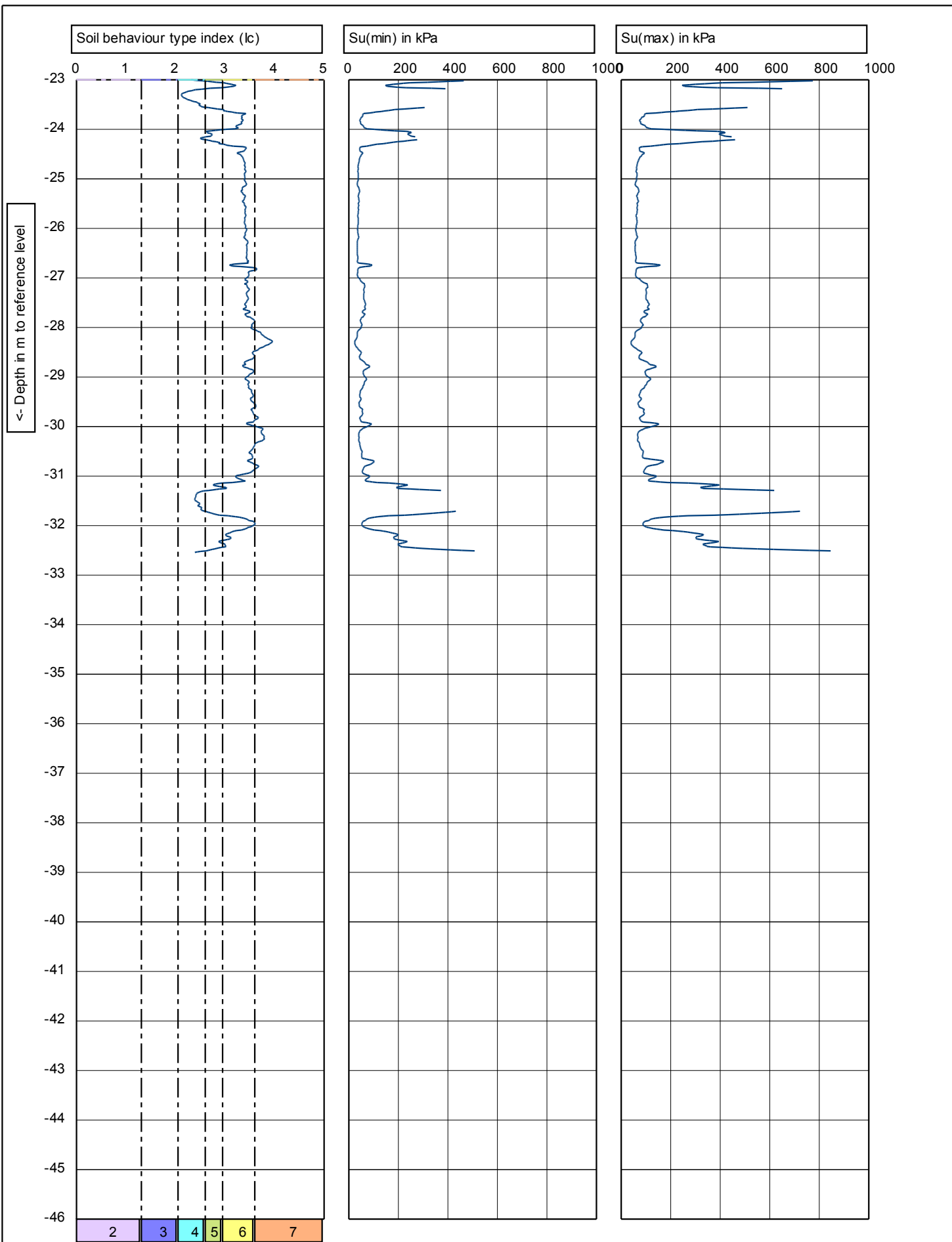
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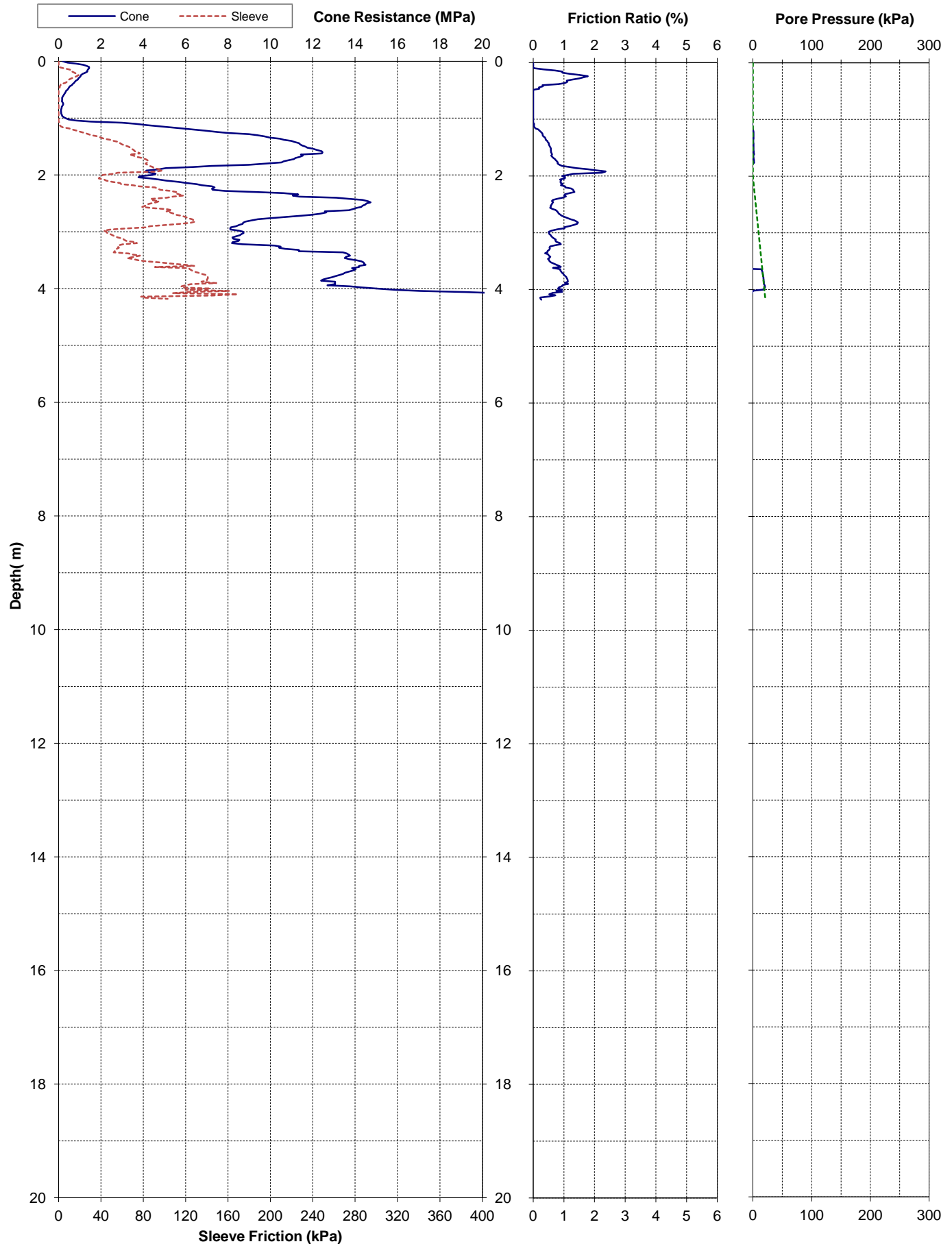
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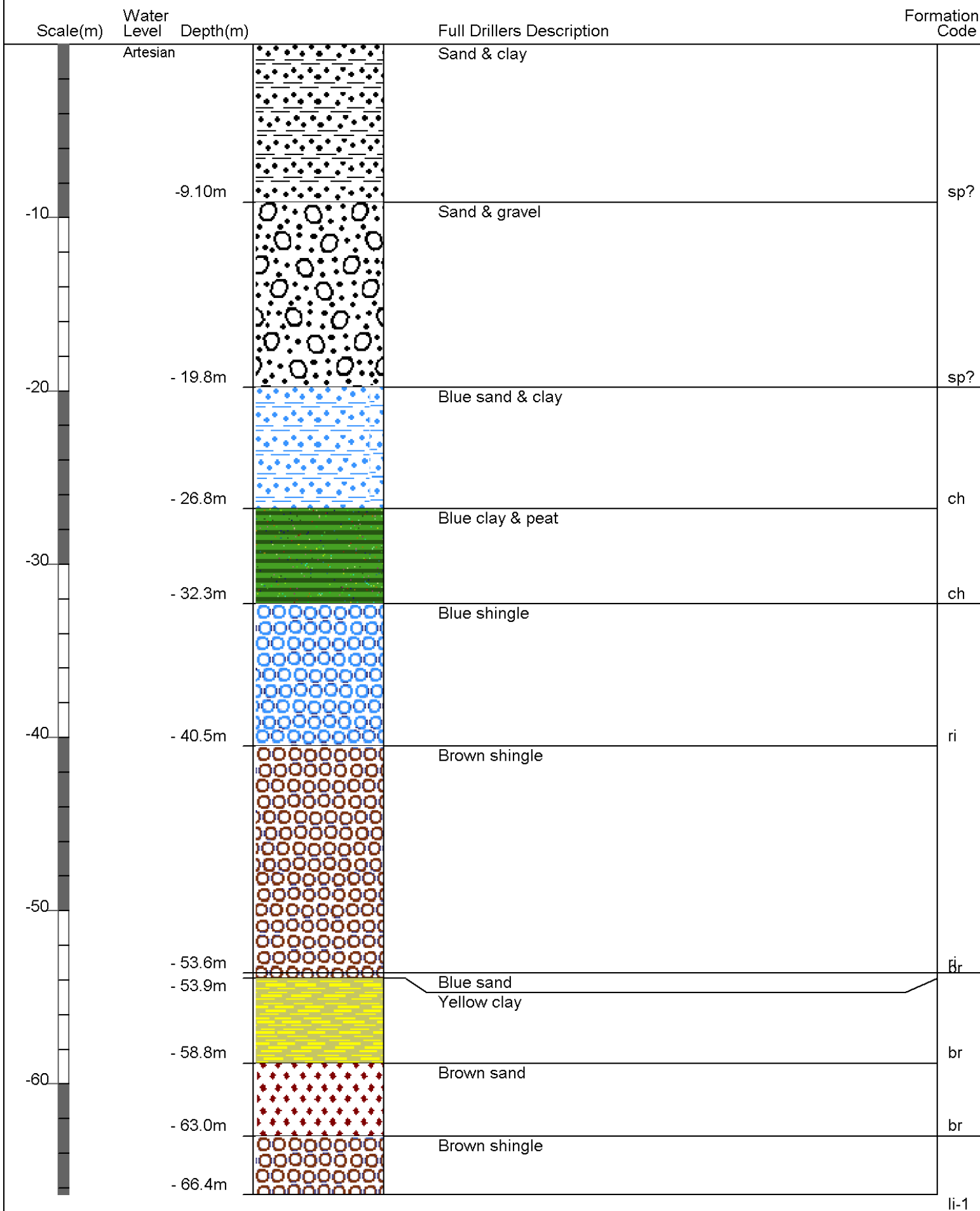
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Drill Depth : -66.4m Drill Date : 8/12/1944





Appendix C – Geotechnical Investigation Summary



■ **Table 1 Summary of most relevant investigation data**

ID	1	2	3	4	5
Type *	CPT	CPT	CPT	CPT	BH
Ref	LWD-35	LWD-34	BRY-18	LWD-28	M35-2111
Depth (m)	8	11	32	32	66
Distance from site (m)	100	200	375	450	500
Ground water level (mBGL)	4	3	2.5	2	Artesian
Simplified recorded geological profile (depth below ground level to top of stratum, m)	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	
	1			MD	
	2			MD	
	3			MD	
	4			So	
	5			So	
	6			MD	
	7			MD	
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	20			F	
	21			D	
	22			D	
	23			St	
	24			St	
	25			St	
Greater depths			Clay to 31 m	Clay to 32 m	

*BH: Borehole, HA: Hand Auger, WW: Water Well, CPT: Cone Penetration Test

Sensitive or organic clay/silt
 Clay to silty clay
 Clayey silt to silt
 Silty sand to silt
 Clayey sand
 Sand
 Gravelly sand or gravel

VL = very loose, L = loose, MD = medium dense, D = dense, VD = very dense
VS = very soft, So = soft, F = firm, St = stiff, VS = very stiff, H = hard