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## LOCATION RESTRICTIONS CERTIFICATION REPORT

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Purpose

This report presents an evaluation of the proposed lateral expansion (Subcells 2A, 2B, 2C and Cell 3) of the Combustion Byproduct Landfill (CBL) at the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) Fayette Power Project (FPP) with respect to compliance with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's (TCEQ's) location restriction regulations for lateral expansions of coal combustion residuals (CCR) landfills, in accordance with Chapter 352, Subchapter E of Title 30 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) (i.e., 30 TAC 352, Subchapter E). These regulations were adopted by reference to Sections 257.60 to 257.64 of Part 257, Subpart D of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) (i.e., 40 CFR §257.60 to §257.64).

Geosyntec Consultants (Geosyntec) previously evaluated the compliance of the existing CBL (Cell 1 and Subcell 2D) with respect to 40 CFR §257.60 to §257.64. Of these location restrictions, the only one applicable to the existing CBL is the one related to unstable areas (40 CFR §257.64). Geosyntec (2017) demonstrated that the existing CBL is not situated in an unstable area is therefore in compliance with that location restriction.

This report also presents an evaluation of the CBL with respect to compliance with the 40 CFR 257, Subpart A for floodplains (40 CFR §257.3-1), endangered species (40 CFR §257.3-2), and surface water (40 CFR §257.3-3).

A certification by a Qualified Professional Engineer that the location restriction demonstrations presented herein are appropriate for evaluating the the CBL and that the demonstrations meet the requirements of 40 CFR §§257.60(a), 257.61(a), 257.62(a), and 257.63(a) is presented in **Appendix A**.

#### 1.2 Background

The FPP is a coal-fired power plant located east of La Grange in Fayette County, Texas (FPP site). CCR generated at the FPP site are disposed in the CBL, a CCR landfill located south of the power plant and north of the railroad that borders FPP (**Drawing 1**).

At final buildout, the CBL will consist of up to three cells, Cells 1 to 3 (**Drawing 2**). Cell 1 was constructed in 1988 at natural grade with a recompacted clay liner. From October 2014 to May 2015, Subcell 2D was constructed below grade with a compacted clay liner. The remainder of Cells 2 and 3 will be constructed with a liner system that includes a geomembrane/compacted clay composite liner and leachate collection system.

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#### 1.3 Organization of Report

The remainder of this report is organized as follows:

- Section 2 presents an evaluation of the proposed CBL lateral expansion with respect to compliance with 30 TAC 352 Subchapter E, including placement above the uppermost aquifer (30 TAC §352.601), wetlands (30 TAC §352.611), fault areas (30 TAC §352.621), seismic impact zones (30 TAC §352.631), and unstable areas (30 TAC §352.641);
- Section 3 presents an evaluation of the CBL with respect to compliance with 40 CFR Subpart A for floodplains (40 CFR §257.3-1), endangered species (40 CFR §257.3-2), and surface water (40 CFR §257.3-3); and
- Section 4 provides a list of references cited in the report.

# 2. EVALUATION OF PROPOSED CBL LATERAL EXPANSION WITH RESPECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH 30 TAC 352, SUBCHAPTER E

#### 2.1 Placement Above the Uppermost Aquifer (30 TAC §352.601)

#### 2.1.1 Location Restriction

In accordance with 30 TAC §352.601, which adopts by reference 40 CFR §257.60, a lateral expansion of a CCR unit (landfill) must be constructed with a base that is located no less than five feet above the upper limit of the uppermost aquifer, or must demonstrate that there will not be an intermittent, recurring, or sustained hydraulic connection between any portion of the base of the CCR landfill and the uppermost aquifer due to normal fluctuations in groundwater elevations (including the seasonal high water table). "Uppermost aquifer" is defined in in 30 TAC §352.3(a), which adopts by reference 40 CFR §257.53, as "the geologic formation nearest the natural ground surface that is an aquifer, as well as lower aquifers that are hydraulically interconnected with this aquifer within the facility's property boundary." "Aquifer" is defined as "the geologic formation, group of formations, or portion of a formation capable of yielding usable quantities of groundwater to wells or springs".

#### 2.1.2 Uppermost Aquifer

The information presented below on FPP site geology was developed from historical soil boring and groundwater elevation data, Geosyntec (2013), and AMEC Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc. (AMEC) (2013).

The FPP site is located on the uppermost section of the Miocene-age Oakville Formation, with topographically high portions of the site capped by Pleistocene-age Willis Formation sands, silts, and gravels. The Oakville Formation regionally dips to the southeast, varies in thickness from 200 to 500 feet, and consists of calcareous fine- to medium-grained sand/sandstones and interbedded silt and clay units.

Locally the Oakville was formed in a fluvial environment characterized by small local streams. Sand bodies were deposited as channel-fill units ranging from 10 to 25 feet in thickness and overbank units of limited extent and thickness deposited during flood events. Three groundwater bearing units, designated at the site as the Upper Sand, Intermediate Sand, and Middle Sand, are present in the interval from the surface to a depth of approximately 100 feet. A fourth unit, the Lower Sand, is locally present at a depth greater than 100 feet. Each of these units is separated by low-permeability clays.

The Upper Sand is a low-yielding, laterally discontinuous, unconfined groundwater bearing unit present only at the topographically highest portions of the CBL area. It has been reported as dry at many locations in historical geotechnical studies and is not considered the uppermost aquifer for

location restrictions or groundwater monitoring purposes. In September 2013, TCEQ approved a Class 3 groundwater designation for the Upper Sand (AMEC, 2013).

The Intermediate Sand is a laterally discontinuous unit apparently present beneath the majority of the CBL. It appears to be enveloped by low permeability clays and largely isolated from the overlying Upper Sand and underlying Middle Sand, except towards the south of the FPP site where the Intermediate Sand may stratigraphically merge with the Middle Sand. The Intermediate Sand is considered the uppermost aquifer beneath the CBL. Groundwater is present in the Intermediate Sand under confined/semi-confined conditions, except where the unit is present near the surface towards the southwest of the CBL area.

#### 2.1.3 Compliance Assessment

To comply with the location restriction for placement above the uppermost aquifer, the proposed lateral expansion (Subcells 2A to 2C and Cell 3) of the CBL must be constructed with base that is located no less than 5 feet above the upper limit of uppermost aquifer. At the FPP site, the Intermediate Sand is the uppermost aquifer. "Base" refers to the bottom of the compacted clay component of the landfill liner system.

The top of the clay liner elevations for the lateral expansion area are shown in **Figure 1** along with the locations of hydrogeologic Cross-Sections A-A' to E-E.' These cross sections, detailed in **Figure 2 to 6**, show the site stratigraphy in the vicinity of the base of the expansion area, the top of the of the clay liner, the top of the subgrade, and the top of the Intermediate Sand.

The groundwater elevations in monitor wells completed in the Intermediate Sand are typically above the elevation of the top of the Intermediate Sand in the proposed CBL expansion area, confirming confined conditions. Therefore, the elevation of the top of the Intermediate Sand strata should be used for the purpose of determining compliance with 30 TAC 352.601 and 40 CFR §257.60 in areas where groundwater is under confined conditions. Seasonal high water table conditions are applicable to an unconfined aquifer scenario and are not relevant to the Intermediate Sand where it occurs under confined conditions. In the southwest corner of CBL in the footprint of proposed Subcell 3C (**Figure 6**), the Intermediate Sand is present near the surface and groundwater is unconfined. However, historical groundwater elevations in the Intermediate Sand monitor well in this area have been more than 5 feet below the proposed base of the Subcell 3C. The logs for the borings included in the cross sections are provided in **Appendix B**.

As shown in **Figures 2 to 6**, the base of the clay liner is closest to the upper limit of the Intermediate Sand in the central part of the CBL where the liner grades approach the bottom of the central drainage corridor in the CBL and the Intermediate Sand extending from the east pinches out. However, because the proposed expansion area will be constructed with at least 5 feet separation from the Intermediate Sand, the CBL is in compliance with the location restriction for placement above the uppermost aquifer specified in 30 TAC §352.601.

#### 2.2 Wetlands (30 TAC §352.611)

#### 2.2.1 Location Restriction

In accordance with 30 TAC §352.611, which adopts by reference 40 CFR §257.61, a lateral expansion of a CCR landfill must not be located in wetlands unless it is demonstrated that the landfill meets certain requirements, as specified in paragraphs §257.61(a)(1) through §257.61(a)(5).

#### 2.2.2 Wetlands Information

The CBL was sited in accordance with Texas Water Commission (TWC) Technical Guideline No. 2 (issued 1976). The design and location of the CBL was reviewed and approved by TCEQ in a letter dated January 18, 1988.

In 2006, Ecological Communications Corporation (ECC) conducted a wetlands assessment of the FPP site (**Appendix C**). Wetlands were not identified in the CBL area (ECC, 2006).

Geosyntec queried the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) [http://www.fws.gov/wetlands/Data/Mapper.html] (USFWS, 2021) for wetlands in the vicinity of the CBL. Two manmade features were identified as freshwater ponds (Figure 7): (i) the existing runoff retention pond; and (ii) a manmade isolated topographic depression located in uplands along the east boundary of Subcell 2C. These features do not meet the definition of "Waters of the United States" in 40 CFR §120.2 and are not considered jurisdictional wetlands.

#### 2.2.3 Compliance Assessment

Based on review of wetlands data for the CBL, the CBL is not located in jurisdictional wetlands. Therefore, the CBL is in compliance with the location restriction for wetlands specified in 30 TAC §352.611.

#### 2.3 Fault Areas (30 TAC §352.621)

#### 2.3.1 Location Restriction

In accordance with 30 TAC §352.621, which adopts by reference 40 CFR §257.62, a lateral expansion of a CCR landfill must not be located within 200 feet of the outermost damage zone of a fault that has had displacement in Holocene time unless it is demonstrated that a lesser setback distance will prevent damage to the structural integrity of the CCR landfill. "Holocene" is defined is defined in 30 TAC §352.3(a), which adopts by reference 40 CFR §257.53, as "the most recent epoch of the Quaternary period, extending from the Pleistocene Epoch, at 11,700 years before present, to present."

#### 2.3.2 Fault Areas Information

Geosyntec queried the U.S Geological Survey (USGS) Quaternary Fault and Fold Database of the United States [https://www.usgs.gov/natural-hazards/earthquake-hazards/faults] (USGS, 2021a) for faults in the vicinity of the CBL. The database contains information on faults and associated folds that are believed to the sources of earthquakes with a magnitude greater than 6. No faults or folds were identified near the site. While normal, en echelon faults associated with the Mexia-Luling-Talco regional fault system are found regionally, most faults associated with that system are located west of Fayette County and the limited number identified in the County are located west of the FPP (Caran et al., 1982). Further, faults were not identified along the north-south regional geologic cross section that passes through the FPP site (Rogers, 1967) or shown within one mile of the site in the on-line geologic atlas of Texas using the USGS Texas Geology Web Map Viewer [https://txpub.usgs.gov/txgeology/] (USGS, 2021b).

In addition to a desktop study, Geosyntec also reviewed the current topographic map for the FPP, historical aerial photographs of the FPP from December 1997, December 2002, February 2008, May 2014, April 2017, and January 2018 available on Google Earth Pro, and historical soil boring information in the CBL area for evidence of surficial expression of faults. The occurrence of linear surface features or displacement through the surficial sediments could indicate recent activity associated with a fault. No such features were observed.

#### 2.3.3 Compliance Assessment

Based on review of fault information for the CBL, the CBL is not located within 200 feet of the outermost damage zone of a fault that has had displacement in Holocene time. Therefore, the CBL is in compliance with the location restriction for fault areas specified in 30 TAC §352.621.

#### 2.4. Seismic Impact Zones (30 TAC §352.631)

#### 2.4.1 Location Restriction

In accordance with 30 TAC §352.631, which adopts by reference 40 CFR §257.63, a lateral expansion of a CCR landfill must not be located in seismic impact zones unless it is demonstrated that all structural components, including liners, leachate collection systems, and surface water control systems, are designed to resist the maximum horizontal acceleration in lithified earth material from a probable earthquake. "Seismic impact zone" is defined in 30 TAC §352.3(a), which adopts by reference 40 CFR §257.53, as "an area having a 2% or greater probability that the maximum expected horizontal acceleration, expressed as a percentage of the earth's gravitational pull (g), will exceed 0.10 g in 50 years." "Maximum horizontal acceleration in lithified earth material" is defined as "the maximum expected horizontal acceleration at the ground surface as depicted on a seismic hazard map, with a 98% or greater probability that the acceleration will not be exceeded in 50 years, or the maximum expected horizontal acceleration based on a site-

specific seismic risk assessment. This requirement translates to a 10% probability of exceeding the maximum horizontal acceleration in 250 years".

#### 2.4.2 Seismic Impact Zone Information

Seismic zones, which represent areas with the greatest seismic risk, are mapped by the USGS and readily available for all of the United States (<a href="https://www.usgs.gov/programs/earthquake-hazards/maps">https://www.usgs.gov/programs/earthquake-hazards/maps</a>). The 2014 USGS National Seismic Hazard Map for the Conterminous U.S presenting the peak ground acceleration with a 2% or greater probability of exceedance in 50 years indicates that the maximum expected horizontal acceleration at the site for this event is between 0.02 and 0.04 g (Shumway, 2019).

The Unified Hazard Tool for the Conterminous U.S on the USGS website (USGS, 2021c) was used to determine the peak ground acceleration for the CBL. The CBL is approximately located at  $29.91^{\circ}$  latitude,  $-96.76^{\circ}$  longitude. The peak ground acceleration with a 2% or greater probability of exceedance in 50 years for  $29.90^{\circ}$  latitude,  $-96.75^{\circ}$  longitude was estimated to be approximately 0.029 g. This peak ground acceleration is less than the acceleration defining a seismic impact zone (i.e., > 0.10 g).

#### 2.4.3 Compliance Assessment

Based on the information provided in this section, the CBL is not situated in a seismic impact zone and is therefore in compliance with the requirements of the location restriction for seismic impact zones, specified in 30 TAC §352.631.

#### 2.5 Unstable Areas (30 TAC §352.641)

#### 2.5.1 Location Restriction

In accordance with 30 TAC §352.641, which adopts by reference 40 CFR §257.63, an existing CCR landfill or the lateral expansion of a CCR landfill must not be located in an unstable area unless it is demonstrated that recognized and generally accepted good engineering practices have been incorporated into the design of the landfill to ensure that the integrity of the structural components of the landfill will not be disrupted. To assess whether an area is unstable, the following factors must be considered:

- on-site or local soil conditions that may result in significant differential settlement;
- on-site or local geologic or geomorphologic features; and
- on-site or local human-made features or events (both surface and subsurface).

"Unstable area" is defined in 30 TAC §352.3(a), which adopts by reference 40 CFR §257.53, as "a location that is susceptible to natural or human-induced events or forces capable of impairing the integrity, including structural components of some or all of the CCR unit that are responsible for preventing releases from such unit. Unstable areas can include poor foundation conditions, areas susceptible to mass movements, and karst terrains." "Structural components" refers to "liners, leachate collection and removal systems, final covers, run-on and run-off systems, inflow design flood control systems, and any other component used in the construction and operation of the CCR unit that is necessary to ensure the integrity of the unit and that the contents of the unit are not released into the environment."

#### 2.5.2 Unstable Areas Information

#### 2.5.2.1 Geotechnical Investigations

Geotechnical investigations were conducted at the CBL site by McClelland Engineers, Inc. (1983), Brytest, Inc. (1984), Jones and Neuse, Inc. (1992), and Geosyntec [2011, 2013]. The investigations included logging soil borings, conducting standard penetration tests, and collecting soil samples for geotechnical laboratory testing. Based on the results of the geotechnical investigations, soils within the upper 100 feet of the subsurface are predominantly classified as clay (CL or CH) and clayey sand (SC and SM) in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). The logs for the borings included in the hydrogeologic cross sections presented in **Figures 2 to 6** are provided in **Appendix B**. Natural water contents of clays were generally near the plastic limits, and consequently the clays are characterized as stiff to hard. Sands were generally characterized as medium to very dense.

Based on the low compressibility of the site soils, these soils provide adequate foundation for the liner system construction and can support the load of the CBL without significant differential settlement.

#### 2.5.2.2 *CBL Slope Stability*

The slope stability of the CBL and associated perimeter berm at final grade was evaluated for a critical cross section through Cells 1 to 3 at the center of landfill. This cross section has the tallest slopes. The materials in this section were conceptualized as CCR on a geosynthetic liner system underlain by a clay subgrade and abutted on the north by a perimeter berm. The near surface soils and perimeter berm material are predominantly classified as high plasticity clays (CH).

For long-term (drained) slope stability analyses of soil slopes in high plasticity clays, analyses using fully-softened strength parameters are recommended (e.g., Skempton, 1970; Wright, 2005). The fully-softened strength parameters of the subgrade, liner system, and perimeter berm soils were estimated based on the site-specific geotechnical data and, as applicable, the correlations presented in Wright (2005). The shear strength of the CCR were estimated based on the results of consolidated undrained triaxial compression tests conducted on CCR from FPP and on published

data (e.g., Kim et al., 2005). Geotechnical properties used in the slope stability evaluation are summarized in **Table 1**.

Table 1. Geotechnical Properties Used in Slope Stability Analysis.

Material	Unit Weight γ (lbs/ft³)	Fully-Softened Effective Stress Friction Angle $\phi$ (°)				
Subgrade Clay	105	20				
CCR	105	30				
Liner System	105	15				
Perimeter Berm	120	24				

The slope stability of the critical section was analyzed using a method of slices coded in the computer program SLIDE®, Version 6.029 [Rocscience, 2014]. SLIDE® is a two-dimensional slope stability program that can be used to evaluate the factor of safety of circular and non-circular (block-type) slip surfaces using the simplified Bishop's (1955) and Spencer's (1967) methods, respectively. The simplified Bishop procedure satisfies moment equilibrium conditions only, which is suitable for circular slip surfaces. For non-circular slip surfaces, the Spencer method was used because it satisfies both force and moment equilibrium in each slice of the sliding mass.

Four slope stability scenarios were considered: (i) potential circular slip surfaces through the CCR at the south landfill slope; (ii) potential non-circular slip surfaces along the liner system at the south landfill slope; (iii) potential circular slip surfaces through the CCR and underlying liner system and subgrade clay at the south landfill slope; and (iv) potential circular slip surfaces through the perimeter berm and into the subgrade clay on the north landfill slope. The results of SLIDE analysis for each of the critical cross-sections are summarized in **Table 2** and in **Appendix D**. **Table 2** also lists the minimum slope stability factor of safety recommended by TCEQ for CCR landfills (TCEQ, 2020).

Table 2. Results of Slope Stability Analysis.

Samaria	Factor o	of Safety
Scenario	SLIDE Analysis	TCEQ Guideline
Circular Slip Surface Through CCR	1.73	
Block-Type Slip Surface Through Liner System	1.53	1.5
Circular Slip Surface Into Subgrade Clay	1.69	1.3
Circular Slip Surface Through North Perimeter Berm	1.54	

For the conditions analyzed, the critical slip surface is a non-circular surface passing along the liner system at the south side of the landfill. The calculated slope stability factor of safety for this scenario is 1.53 using fully-softened strengths. All of the calculated factor of safety values exceed the minimum value of 1.5 recommended by TCEQ for CCR landfills under typical conditions.

#### 2.5.2.3 Local Geologic Features

There are no known local geologic features that would classify the CBL site as an unstable area. Such features include active faults, seismic events, landslides, debris slides, karst terrain, and erosion by rivers. Further, the CBL is not located within the 500-year floodplain (FEMA FIRM 48149C0270C, October 2006).

#### 2.5.2.4 Local Manmade Features or Events

There are no known local manmade features or events that would classify the CBL site as an unstable area. Such features and events include mining, cut and fill activities during construction, excessive drawdown of groundwater, and construction over fill.

#### 2.5.3 Compliance Assessment

Based on the information provided in this section, the CBL is not situated in an unstable area and is therefore in compliance with the requirements of the location restriction for unstable areas specified in 30 TAC §352.641.

# 3. EVALUATION OF CBL WITH RESPECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH 40 CFR SUBPART A, §257-1 TO §257-3

#### 3.1 Floodplains (40 CFR §257.3-1)

#### 3.1.1 Location Restriction

In accordance with 40 CFR §257.3-1, solid waste facilities in floodplains shall not restrict the flow of the base flood, reduce the temporary water storage capacity of the floodplain, or result in washout of solid waste, so as to pose a hazard to human life, wildlife, or land or water resources. "Base flood" is defined in 40 CFR §257.3-1(b)(1) as "a flood that has a 1 percent or greater chance of recurring in any year or a flood of a magnitude equaled or exceeded once in 100 years on the average over a significantly long period". "Floodplain" is defined in 40 CFR §257.3-1(b)(2) as "the lowland and relatively flat areas adjoining inland and coastal waters, including flood-prone areas of offshore islands, which are inundated by the base flood".

#### 3.1.2 Floodplains Information

Geosyntec queried the latest Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for Fayette County, Texas and incorporated areas prepared by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to identify floodplains in the CBL. The map indicated that the CBL is not located within any special flood hazard areas (SFHAs) subject to inundation by the 1 percent annual chance flood. Specifically, the existing CBL is located within "ZONE X" defined as "Areas determined to be outside the 0.2% annual chance floodplain" meaning that it is not located within the mapped 500-year floodplain.

#### 3.1.2 Compliance Assessment

Based on review of the floodplain information data, the operation and expansion of the CBL will not restrict the flow of the base flood and are therefore in compliance with the requirements of location restriction for floodplains specified in 40 CFR §257.3-1.

#### 3.2 Endangered Species (40 CFR §257.3-2)

#### 3.2.1 Location Restriction

In accordance with 40 CFR §257.3-2, solid waste facilities or practices shall not cause or contribute to the taking of any endangered or threatened species of plants, fish, or wildlife; and shall not result in the destruction or adverse modification of the critical habitat of endangered or threatened species as identified in 50 CFR Part 17.

#### 3.2.2 Endangered Species Information

A Protected Species Habitat Assessment (PSHA) for the CBL was prepared by Blanton and Associates, Inc. (B&A) (B&A, 2021) is attached to this report as **Appendix E** of this Report. The

PSHA evaluates the potential for federally listed threatened, endangered, or other protected species (e.g., eagles) to occur in the project area and potential for those species to be impacted by the project.

B&A (2021) completed a literature, database, and desktop review for federally listed protected species potentially occurring in Fayette County and the project area. The purpose of the review was to assess habitats and resources within the project area; to determine protected species of known or potential occurrence within Fayette County and the project vicinity; to evaluate the life history and ecology of these species in relation to the habitats and resources present in the project area; and to ultimately determine the potential for each protected species to occur in the project area. The review of background information was accompanied by a field investigation performed on November 23, 2021. During the field investigation, the project area was evaluated to verify information attained in the background review and to assess the potential for federally protected species to occur on the site. Additionally, a presence/absence survey for Navasota ladies'-tresses (NLT) (*Spiranthes parksii*) was conducted by two B&A biologists. B&A did not identify habitat for federally listed endangered or threatened species was not identified through desktop review or field reconnaissance.

#### 3.2.3 Compliance Assessment

Based on the results of the PSHA (**Appendix E**) the operation and expansion of the CBL is not expected to cause or contribute to the taking of any endangered or threatened species of plants, fish, or wildlife or the destruction or adverse modification of the critical habitat of endangered or threatened species as identified in 50 CFR Part 17. Therefore, the CBL in compliance with the requirements of location restrictions for endangered species specified in 40 CFR §257.3-2.

#### 3.3 Surface Water (40 CFR §257.3-3)

#### 3.3.1 Location Restrictions

In accordance with 40 CFR §257.3-3, a facility shall comply with the following requirements:

- A facility shall not cause a discharge of pollutants into waters of the United States that is in violation of the requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) under section 402 of the Clean Water Act, as amended.
- A facility shall not cause a discharge of dredged material or fill material to waters of the United States that is in violation of the requirements under section 404 of the Clean Water Act, as amended.
- A facility or practice shall not cause non-point source pollution of waters of the United States that violates applicable legal requirements implementing an areawide or Statewide

water quality management plan that has been approved by the Administrator under section 208 of the Clean Water Act, as amended.

In the above paragraphs, "discharge" is a term that includes, but is not limited to any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying or dumping.

#### 3.3.2 Surface Water Information

The information presented in this section is based on the Run-On and Run-Off Control System Plan (Plan) for the CBL (Geosyntec, 2021). The Plan describes how the run-on and run-off control systems were designed and constructed to prevent, collect and control flow onto and from the active portion of the CBL during the peak discharge of a 100-year, 24-hour storm event. The CBL run-on and run-off control systems meet and exceed the design requirements of 40 CFR §257.81(a) and 30 TAC §352.821 (i.e., 25-year, 24-hour storm event). Additional information regarding surface water management of the active portion of the CBL is summarized below.

Run-off from areas of Cell 1 that have not been covered with intermediate cover or final cover could have potentially come in contact with CCR. Therefore, this run-off and is managed as contact water. Contact water collected in Cell 1 is conveyed in the runoff channel to the Runoff Retention Pond (**Drawing 2**), as authorized under the Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. WQ0002105000 and designated as the "CBL Pond" in the permit. The perimeter and interim berms of Cell 1, as well as the underlying recompacted clay liner, keep runoff that has contacted CCR within the CBL until it flows to the runoff channel. CCR is placed in Cell 1 in a manner that directs this runoff in Cell 1 to the channel. Until an intermediate or final cover is placed over the CCR slopes, run-off from the CCR slopes will continue to be collected and directed to the runoff channel. Run-off from areas of the CBL with intermediate or final cover has not contacted CCR and can be directed into a stormwater channel and conveyed away from the CBL rather than being conveyed to the Runoff Retention Pond.

Contact water from the Subcell 2D Contact Water Retention Pond is managed through a pumping system which routes water collected in the pond to the runoff channel.

In general, water run-on to active areas of the CBL and Subcell 2D is controlled by topography and by the landfill perimeter berm. The north side of the CBL is on a topographic high, and the ground surface around the CBL primarily slopes to the south, and also towards two the central stormwater channels (**Drawing 2**). In addition, the perimeter berm of the CBL deflects stormwater run-on, and this potential run-on is collected in a stormwater channel at the toe of the outboard side slope of the berm.

As described in the Plan, as new subcells are developed, run-on will continue to be controlled by berms and adjacent stormwater channels located at the outboard toe of the berms. In addition, the

Plan will be revised whenever there is a change in conditions that would substantially affect the Plan in effect.

#### 3.3.3 Compliance Assessment

Based on the engineering controls for surface water incorporated into the CBL design and the operational procedures employed at the landfill (Geosyntec, 2021), the operation and expansion of the CBL is not expected to cause discharge of pollutants into waters of the United States or a non-point source pollution of waters of the United States that is in violation of the requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) under section 402 of the Clean Water Act, as amended. Therefore, the existing CBL is in compliance with location restriction requirements for surface water specified in 40 CFR §257.3-3.

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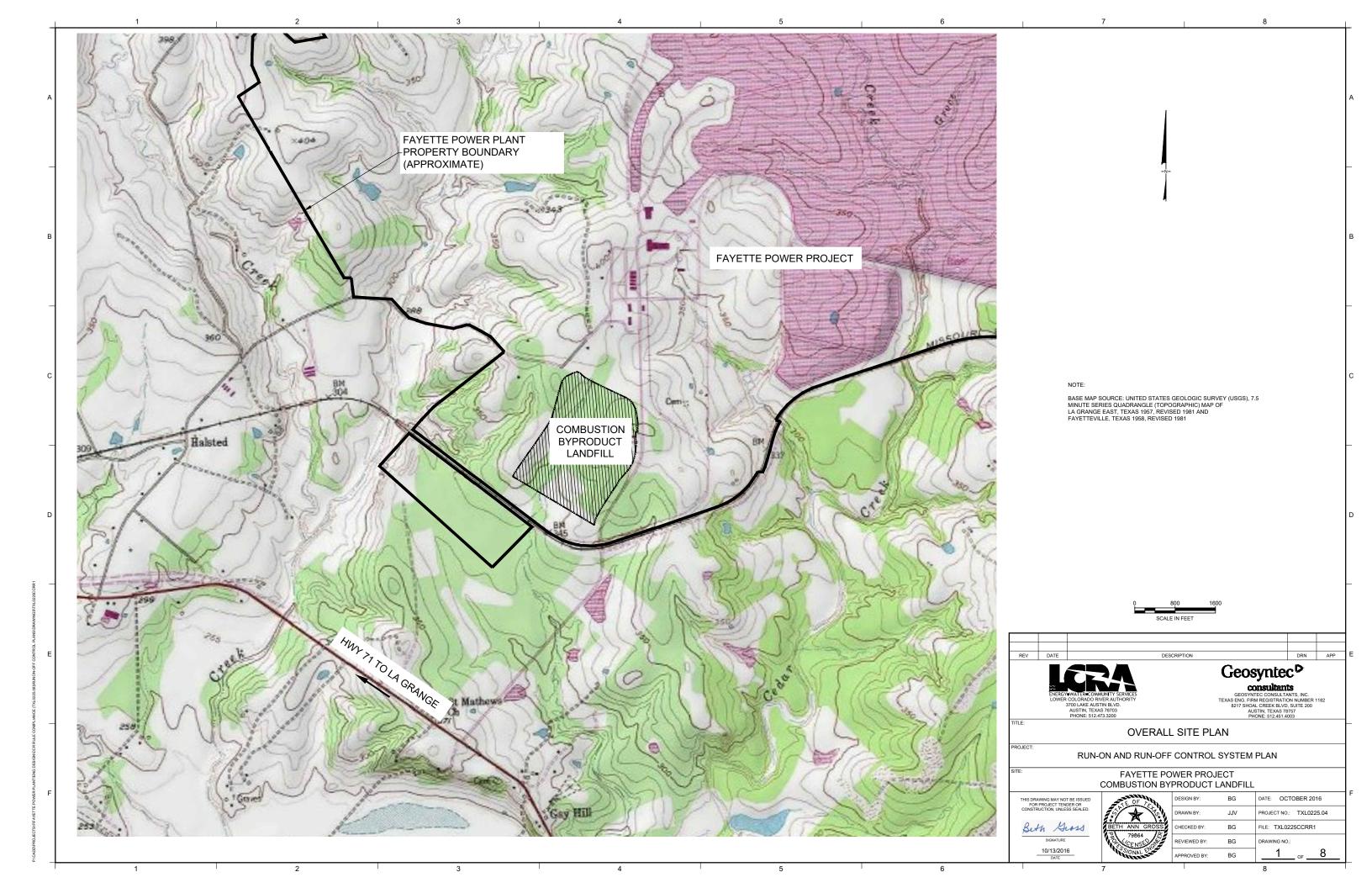
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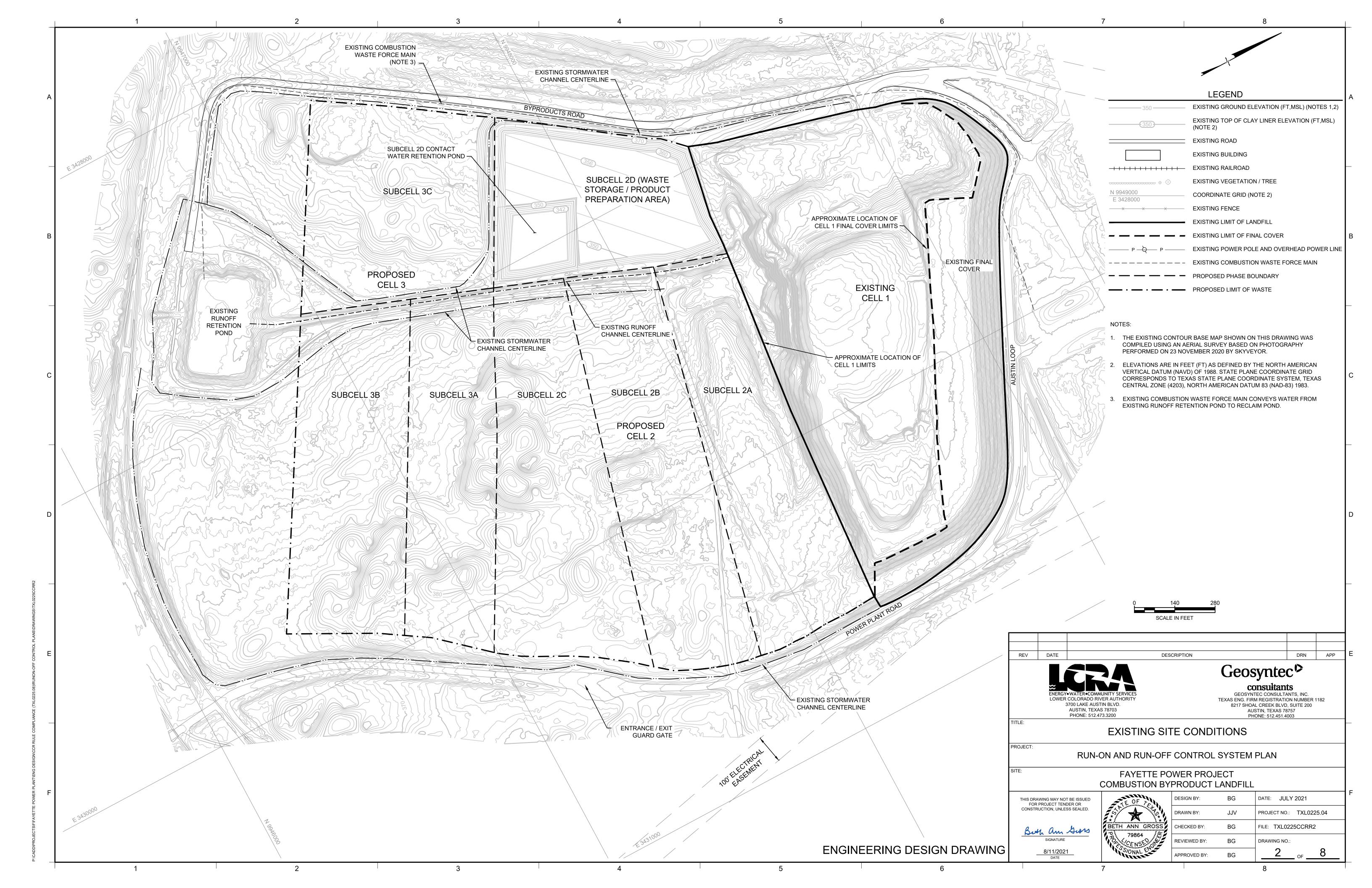
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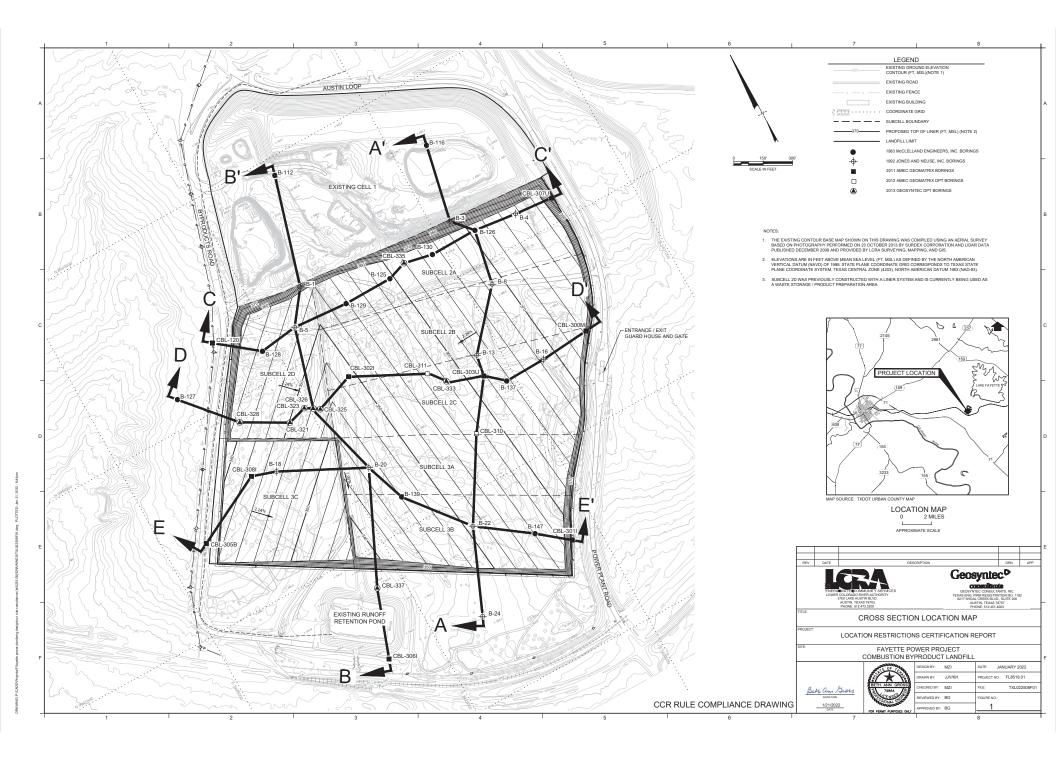
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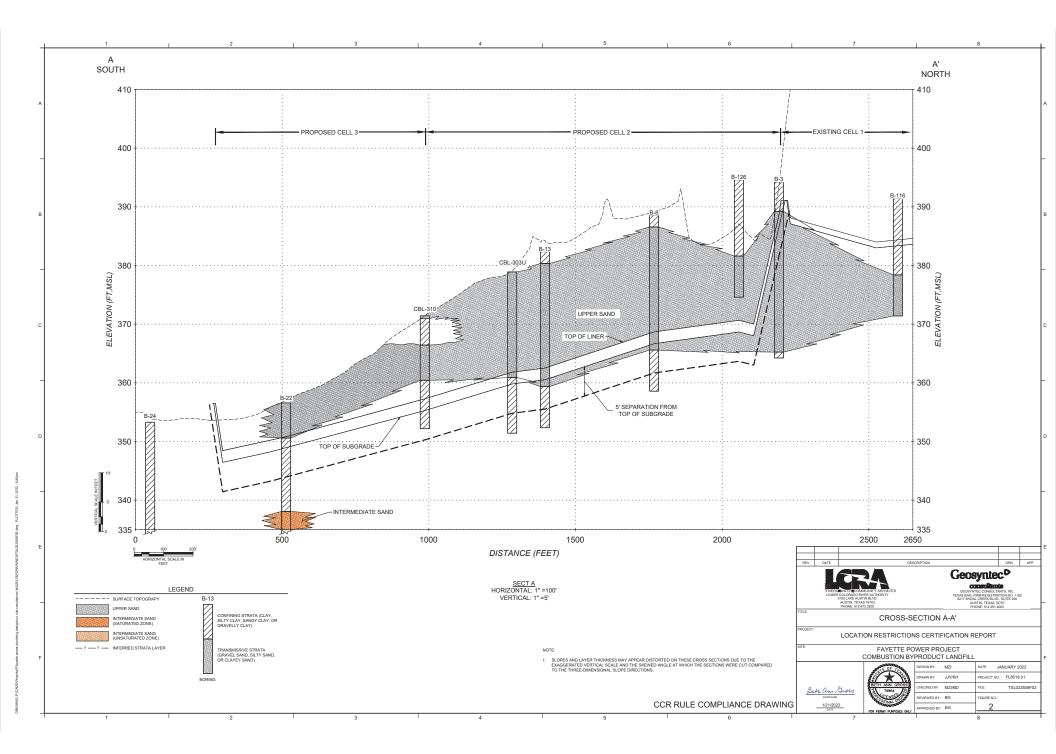
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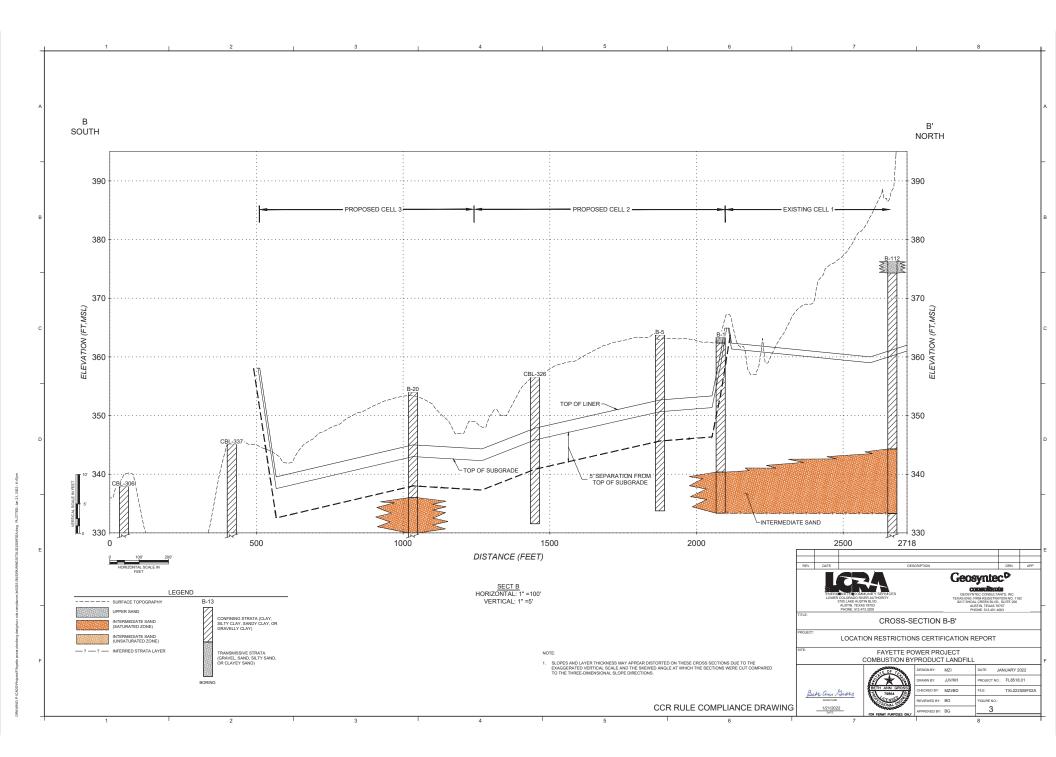


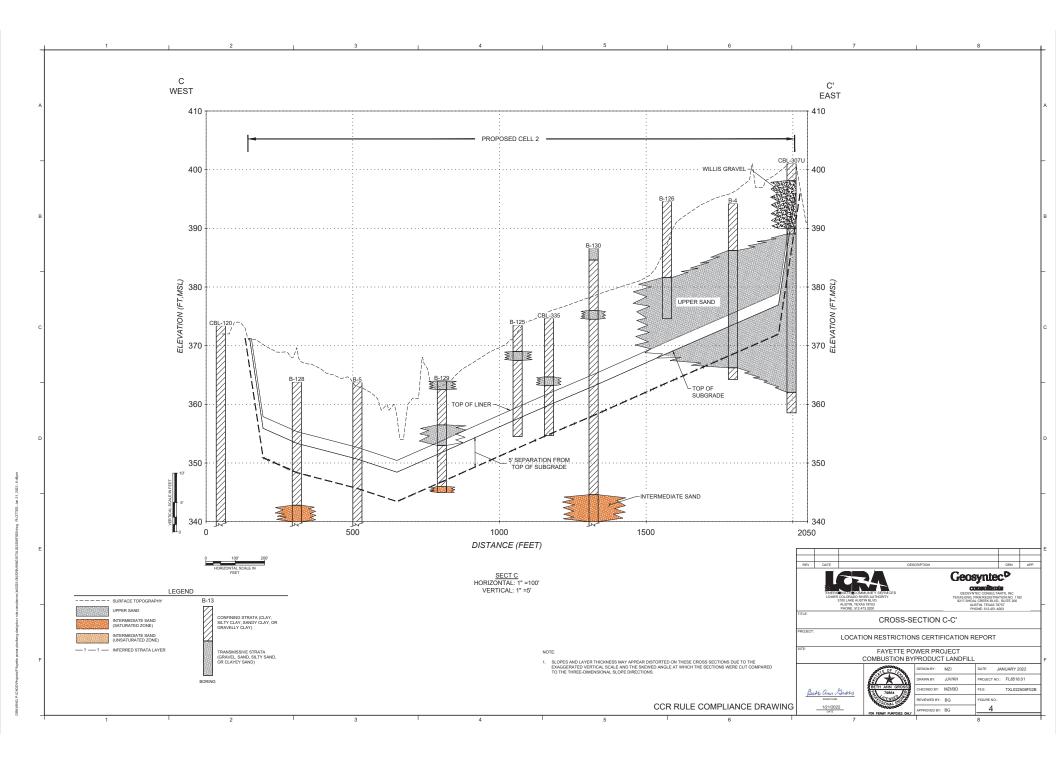


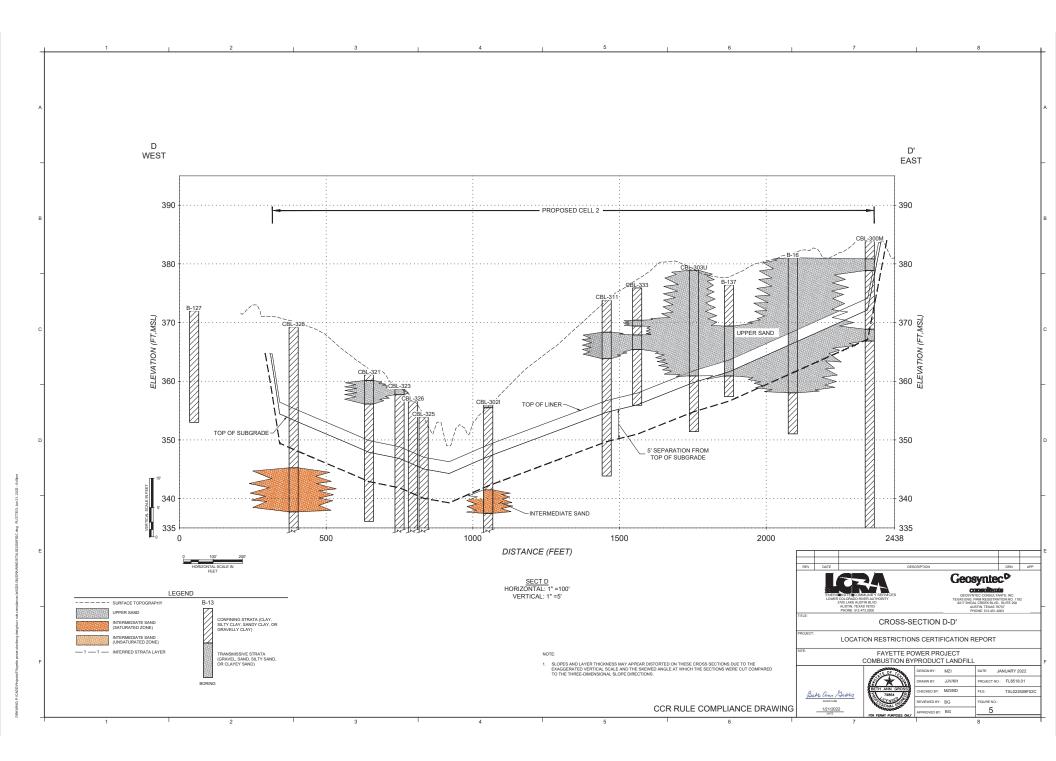
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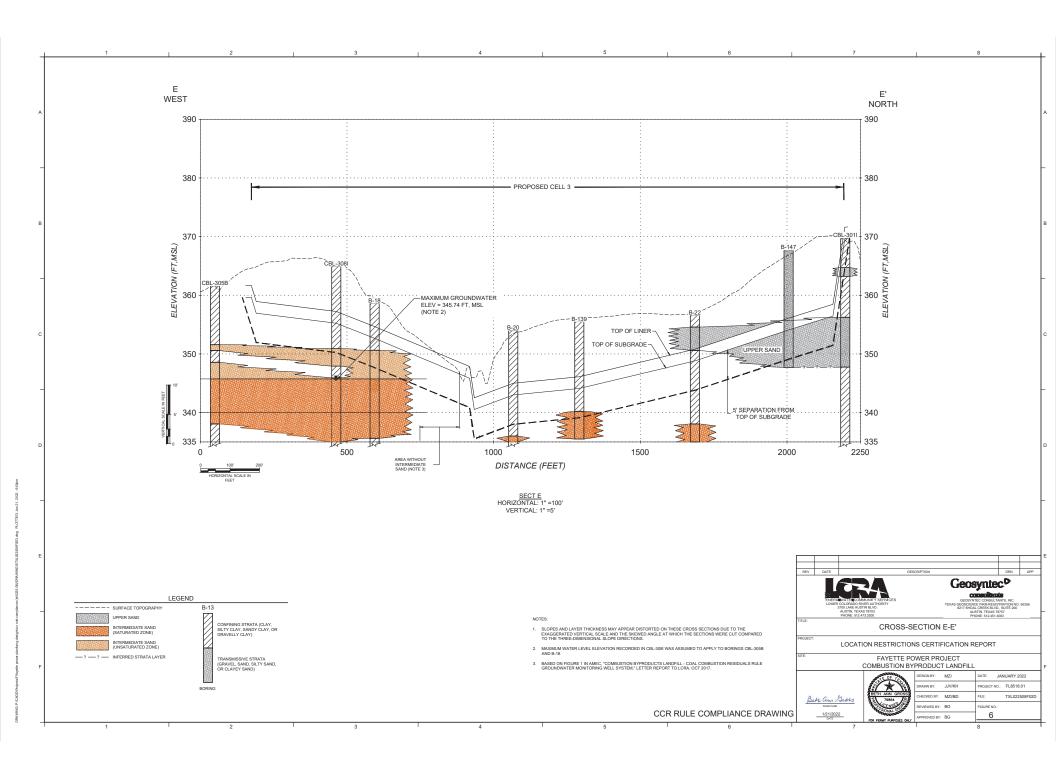


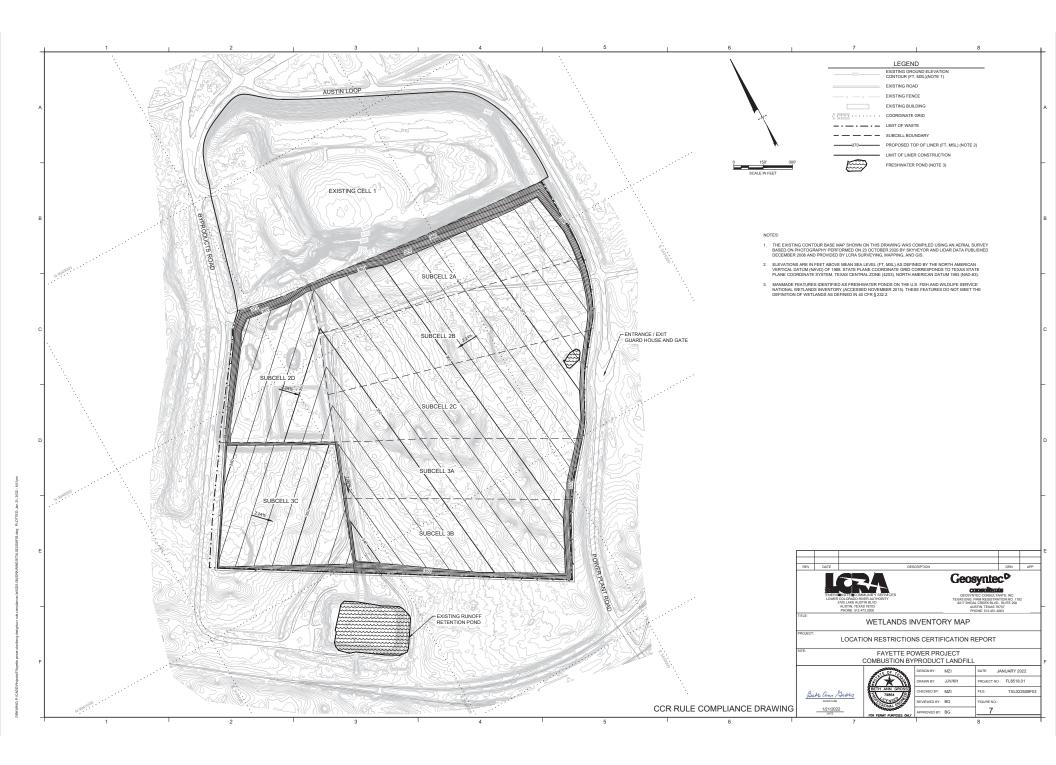












## **APPENDICES**

### **APPENDIX A**

## Certification by a Qualified Professional Engineer

#### CERTIFICATION BY A QUALIFIED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

The report was prepared by Geosyntec under the direction of Dr. Beth Ann Gross, P.E., a qualified professional engineer, in accordance with 30 TAC §352.231(d) and 30 TAC §352.4.

I certify that location restriction demonstrations presented herein are appropriate for evaluating the the Combustion Byproduct Landfill at the Fayette Power Project (FPP) and that the demonstrations meet the requirements of 40 CFR 257.60(a), 40 CFR 257.61(a), 40 CFR 257.62(a), and 40 CFR 257.63(a).

Beth Ann Gross

Printed Name of Licensed Professional Engineer

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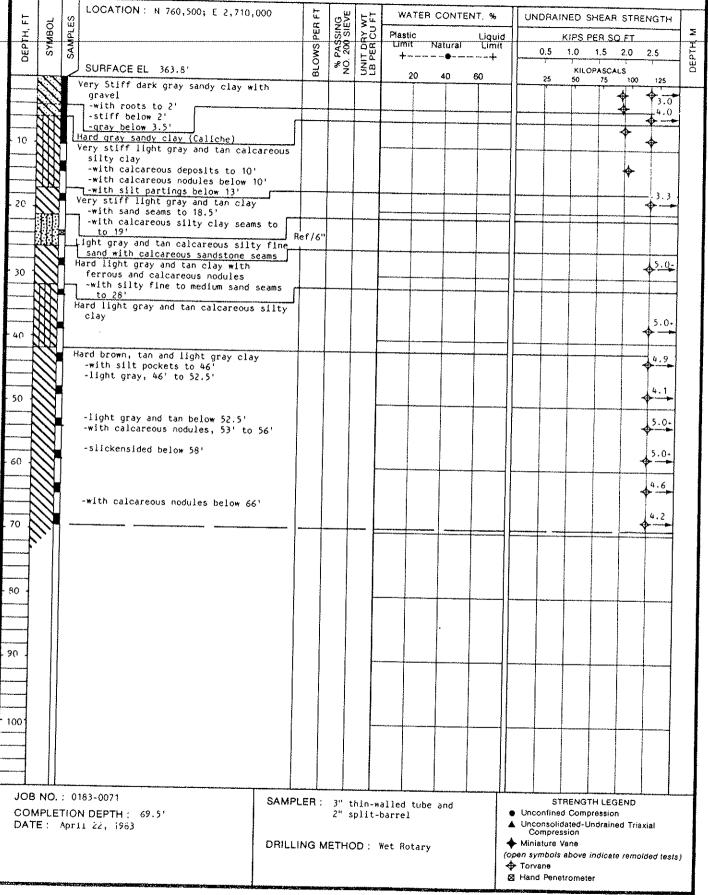
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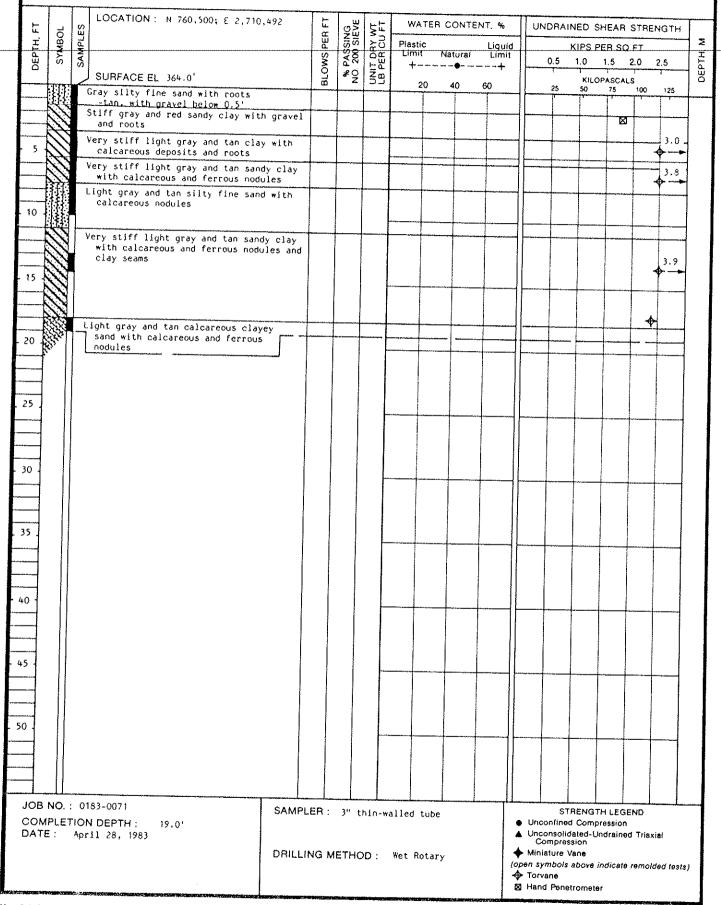
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	1	Black, fat CLAY, very stiff, w/roots. CH	P3.25
- 5 - - 7 -	2	Tan and light brown, fat CLAY, hard, w/numerous calcareous deposits and iron stains. CH	P4.5+
10 —	3	Light gray, lean CLAY w/sand, very stiff, w/ numerous calcareous deposits, more sand w/depth. CL	P3.75
15 —	4		P4.5+ —
20	5		P4.5+
25	6		P3.75
30	7		N20-34- 50/5" -
35	8	Tan and gray, fat CLAY, hard, blocky, calcareous. CH	N47
40	9	Light gray, sandy SILT, very dense, slightly calcareous. ML	- - N53

	SUBSURFACE EXPLORATION LOG	
	JOB NO. 0188-1070 DATE 7/1/88 BORING NO. C	BL-120
— 40 —	Light gray, sandy SILT, very dense, slightly calcareous. ML (Continued)	N53
_ _ _ 45 _	Tan and light gray, fat CLAY, hard, blocky, w/scattered calcareous deposits. CH	P4.5+
	11 gray, slickensided below 49.5 ft.	P4.5+
55	Gray, fat CLAY, hard, blocky, slickensided, w/red stains. CH	P4.5+
 60 - 	13 — moist, w/gray and red streaks below 59.5 ft.  Tan and gray fat CLAY by the first state of the clay by the state of t	P4.5+
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100 - 21			P4.5+
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105 - 22	Gray, fat Cl	LAY, hard, blocky, calcareous	. CH N50/4"
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ROJECT: LCRA FPI Expansion	Combustion Byproducts Landfill (CBL) Area	_	Log of Well No. CBL - 300 M							
ORING LOCATION: Nea	r Guard Station	GROUND SUR	RFACE ELEV	ATION AND DATUM:						
RILLING CONTRACTOR:	Vortex Drilling, Inc.	DATE STARTE 5/19/11		DATE FINISHED: 5/20/11						
RILLING METHOD: H	ollow Stem Auger	TOTAL DEPTH	, ,	SCREEN INTERVAL (ft.): 83-93'(M)						
RILLING EQUIPMENT:	B-59 Mobile Drill	DEPTH TO WA	ATER ATD:	CASING: 0-93' (M)						
AMPLING METHOD:	2.5' Split Spoon	LOGGED BY: Mike Schofic								
AMMER WEIGHT: 14	40 lbs DROP: 18"	RESPONSIBLE Mike Schofe		ONAL: REG. NO. 10666						
Sample No. Sample Blows/ Foot COVM COVM Reading	DESCRIPTION NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. density cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. inter.	, structure,		WELL CONSTRUCTION DETAILS AND/OR						
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50/3	SILT (ML): brown, with trace fine-grained san no plasticity	d, dry,		- Concrete						
NR 6 7	SANDY GRAVEL (SP): pink to tan, graded, d Large cobbles (2" diameter)	ry								
5 - 12 13 16 16 10 10	SANDY CLAY (CL): gray with red, fine-graine sorted, some organic matter, medium stiff Stiffens at 10', grades to medium-grained	d, well								
12 16				– 2" Sch-40 PVC Riser						
Grab Sample 11.5:-12.	Iron oxide stains at 12'  Moisture at 13'									
16 27	CLAY (CL): gray, high plasticity, stiff									
15 - 17 30	SAND (SC): gray, trace clay, fine- to medium- well sorted, wet	grained,								
_ 21 _ 22	CLAY (CL): gray, high plasticity, stiff									
14	Lenses (1.5") of moist sand at 18.5' - 19'									
20 - 27-02 Shelby Tube Sample 20-127-127-127-127-127-127-127-127-127-127	Shelby tube sample			– Grout						
10 17 29	CLAY (CL): light gray with tan, high plasticity,	stiff								
25 - 22	SANDY CLAY (CL): gray and tan, calcareous stiff	, very								
25 39 39 39 39 39 39 39 39 39 39 39 39 39	Shelby tube sample									
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LCRA FPP Combustion Byproducts PROJECT: Log of Well No. CBL - 300 M (cont'd) Landfill (CBL) Expansion Area SAMPLES OVM Reading WELL CONSTRUCTION Sample DESCRIPTION Blows/ Foot NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. density, structure, **DETAILS AND/OR** cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. inter. DRILLING REMARKS SILTY CLAY (CL): gray and tan, iron oxide and calcareous nodules, stiff, dry 35 Tube Shelby tube sample Shelby -6 CLAY (CL): tan, iron oxide stains, high plasticity, very 30 38'stiff, dry, 21 50 40 45 Grout 16 23 28 SILTY CLAY (CL): tan, blocky cleavage, low plasticity, trace moisture Red/gray striations beginning at 48.5' 50 55 SANDY CLAY (CL): tan, slight moisture, high 21 plasticity, fine-grained, well sorted 40 41 ٧F SAND with CLAY (SC): greenish gray, trace Fe stains, medium plasticity, fine-grained, well sorted 60 CLAY (CL): dark green, blocky cleavage, low plasticity, dry, very stiff

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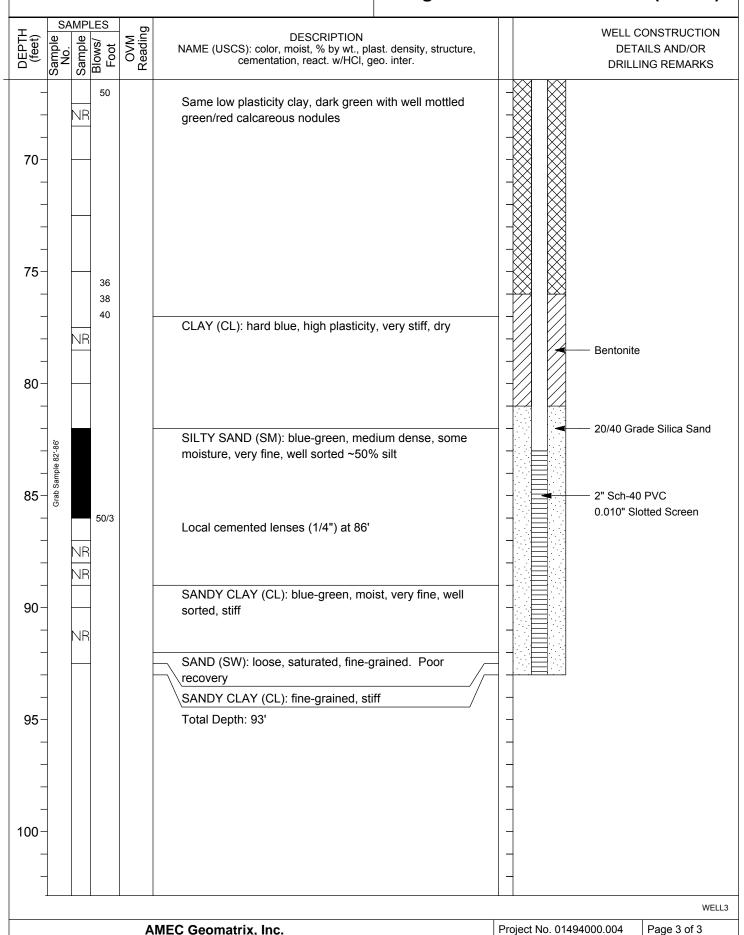
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Transition to dark reddish brown with green mottles at

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#### Log of Well No. CBL - 300 M (cont'd)



PROJECT: LCRA FPI Expansior	P Combustion Byproducts Landfill (CBL)  n Area	Log	of Well I	No. CBL - 301 I	
BORING LOCATION: Wes	st of Plant Entrance Road	GROUND SU	JRFACE ELEV	ATION AND DATUM:	
DRILLING CONTRACTOR:	Vortex Drilling, Inc.	DATE STAR 5/23/11	TED:	DATE FINISHED: 5/23/11	
DRILLING METHOD: H	Hollow Stem Auger	TOTAL DEP			
DRILLING EQUIPMENT:	B-59 Mobile Drill		WATER ATD:	CASING: 0-51'	
SAMPLING METHOD:	2.5' Split Spoon, Continuous	LOGGED BY		1001	
HAMMER WEIGHT: 1	40 lbs DROP: 18"	RESPONSIB Randy Bey	BLE PROFESSION	ONAL: REG. NO. 5468	
Cfeet) Sample Sample Sample Sample Sample OVM OVM Reading	DESCRIPTION  NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. density, str cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. inter.  Surface Elevation:		, 0., 1 0.	WELL CONSTRUCTION DETAILS AND/OR DRILLING REMARKS	
- 8 - 10 - 11	SAND (SC): light gray to brown, dry, loose, moderately well sorted, some gravel, medium-gr ~90% sand, ~10% gravel	ained, -		- Concrete	
- 8 - 8 - 11	SILTY CLAY (CL): light gray, red mottling, ~90% sand, ~10% silt  CLAYEY SAND (SC): light gray, red mottling, sti	/			
5 - 25 - 86 14 - 99 13	dry, quartz, ~90% sand, ~10% clay  SANDY CLAY (CL): pale greenish gray, interbed				
- Garb Sample Sa	with spans of light gray sand, ~50% clay, ~50% clay, ~50% clay, ~5	sand			
10 - Samble 9 - 11	\quartz, ~95% sand, ~5% clay SANDY CLAY (CL): light gray, some reddish yel seams, ~75% clay, ~25% sand	low			
- 50	CLAY (CL): light gray, iron oxide staining, silt parmoist, stiff, low plasticity, ~95% clay	rtings, –			
15 16 9	CLAYEY SAND (SC): light gray to red sand, medium-grained, moist, ~75% sand, ~25% clay	-			
- 12 27 - 50	Black organic seams in clay at 14.5' 15', moist, yellowish red to gray	-			
20 - \( \frac{1}{20} \) \(	Increase of sand content, dry, ~75% clay, ~25%	sand   -		- Bentonite Pellets	
50\1 - ge - ge - 14 - 22 - 25	CLAY (CL): yellowish red to gray mottled clay, st very stiff, moist	_ tiff to			
15 25 27 19		-			
_   21 26	Slickensides at 29', 45% fractured plane	-			
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LCRA FPP Combustion Byproducts PROJECT: Landfill (CBL) Expansion Area Log of Well No. CBL - 301 I (cont'd) SAMPLES OVM Reading WELL CONSTRUCTION Sample DESCRIPTION Blows/ Foot NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. density, structure, cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. inter. **DETAILS AND/OR** DRILLING REMARKS Sample 30'-32.5' Same clay as above Increase silt at 32' ~85% clay, ~15% sand Same, dry, blocky with increased silt 35 2" Sch-40 PVC Riser Same silt seam at 37' (1" thick), dry, soft 20/40 Grade Silica Sand SILTY SAND (SM): light gray, quartz, soft, moderately Sample 37.5'well sorted, moist, medium-grained, minor black grains, 100% sand 40 39 39 27 2" Sch-40 PVC Increase clay at 44' to 45' 0.010" Slotted Screen 45 Moist at 45' CLAY (CL): yellow red to gray, wet, stiff SAND (SW): gray, medium-grained, moist to damp Sample Wet at 49' 50 50.5'-52.5' CLAY (CL): yellow to gray, wet, stiff 50/5" Sample Total Depth: 52.5' 55 60

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PROJECT:			Combustion Byproducts BL) Expansion Area		Log of Well	No. CBL - 302 I
ORING LO	CATION:	Sout	h of CBL, West of ditch line	GROU	JND SURFACE ELEV	ATION AND DATUM:
ORILLING (	CONTRAC	TOR:	Vortex Drilling, Inc.	DATE 5/24/	STARTED:	DATE FINISHED: 5/24/11
RILLING N	METHOD:	Нс	ollow Stem Auger	TOTA 25.0	L DEPTH (ft.):	SCREEN INTERVAL (ft.): 14'-24'
RILLING E	EQUIPMEI	NT:	B-59 Mobile Drill	DEPT	H TO WATER ATD:	CASING: 0-14'
SAMPLING	METHOD	: 2	2.5' Split Spoon		ED BY: ly Beyer, P.G.	
IAMMER V	VEIGHT:	14	0 lbs DROP: 18"		ONSIBLE PROFESS by Beyer, P.G.	IONAL: REG. NO. 5468
(feet) Sample Somble No.	Sample Blows/ Foot	OVM Reading	DESCRIPTION NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. of cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. i	density, structure, nter.		WELL CONSTRUCTION DETAILS AND/OR DRILLING REMARKS
_			Surface Elevation:  — CLAYEY SAND (SC): gray, medium gra	ay dry loose		DIGENIO REMPRINO
-	15 16 17		medium-grained  SANDY CLAY (CL): medium brown to goxide stain (red), mottled, dry from grav	gray with iron		— Cement
5- 15:	50/3"		sandy clay, ~80% clay, ~15% sand, ~15 moist roots			— 2" Sch-40 PVC Riser
Grab Sample 5-7.5	10 12 15 5 7		Color change to light gray to white, calc			Bucket Sample (8' - 12') collected from auger cuttings
10-	9 20 15 13		with green mottling, moist, plastic, orgaincreasing clay with depth	anic material,		— Bentonite
1-16.5'	8 9 14					— 8/16 Grade Silica Sand
ample 14.5'-	4		CLAYEY SAND (SC): light green, ~80° clay, dry to moist	% sand, ~20%		
Grab Sample	9 14 32		Increasing clay content with depth			2" Sch-40 PVC     0.010" Slotted Screen
-	50/5	_	SANDY CLAY (CL): light gray with whit calcareous	e mottling		
20-	36 50.2.5		SILT (ML): light gray, dry, loose to firm, silt, ~10% clay	moist, ~90%		
Grab Sample 23'-25'	50/5"		SANDY CLAY (CL): ~50% clay, ~50 sa plasticity	nd, moist,		
25 - as			Total Depth: 25 feet		-	
30						WEL
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	RA FPP Con ansion Area	nbustion Byproducts Landfill (CBL)	Log	of Well N	lo. CBI	303 U
ORING LOCATION	: South of	CBL	GROUND S	SURFACE ELEV	ATION AND	DATUM:
RILLING CONTRA	CTOR: Vo	ortex Drilling, Inc.	DATE STA 5/24/11	RTED:	DATE FINI 5/24/11	SHED:
RILLING METHOD	: Hollow	Stem Auger	TOTAL DE 27.5		10'-20'	NTERVAL (ft.):
RILLING EQUIPME	ENT: B-59	9 Mobile Drill		WATER ATD:	CASING: 0-10'	
AMPLING METHO	D: 2.5' S	plit Spoon	LOGGED E	eyer, P.G.		
AMMER WEIGHT:	140 lbs	DROP: 18"		IBLE PROFESSION P.G.	ONAL:	REG. NO. 5468
Samble No. Sample Blows/ Foot	OVM OVM Reading	DESCRIPTION  AME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. density, st cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. inter.			DETA	DNSTRUCTION ILS AND/OR
Sal Sal		Surface Elevation:			DRILLIN	NG REMARKS
- 14 7 - 17		GRAVELLY SAND (SP): tan, dry, 1-2" diameter	gravel		- Concrete	
5-4.5.5 dample 2.5.7.5 dample 2.5.7.5 dample 2.6.7.		CLAYEY SAND ( SC): light gray, iron oxide stai dry, firm medium-grained sand, ~75% sand, ~29 clay			- 2" Sch-40	PVC Riser
6 g		ncreasing sand content to ~90%, ~10% clay, so	ome		- Bentonite	
10- 20 18 21 21 14	,	white grains and organic matter			– 20/40 Grad	de Silica Sand
9 9 9 18 26 26 26		SAND (SM): light brown, loose, 100% quartz sa moist Damp to slightly wet at 13' - 14'	nd,			
15 -   26   26   36   36   42   42   8		ncrease clay content to 10% with depth			- 2" Sch-40 0.010" Slot	PVC tted Screen
20 - 8 9		SILTY CLAY (CL): light gray with iron oxide/Reconstructions, plastic, moist, soft, ~90% clay, ~10% soft, and content (	ilt,			
25 - 11 st					Shelby Tul at 23', no s	pe attempted sample
18 21 29		Fotal Depth: 27 5'				
30		Total Depth: 27.5'				
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PROJE	ECT:			FPP Combustio sion Area	n Byproducts Landfill (CBI	_)	Log	of E	Boring	No. CE	BL - 305 B
BORIN	IG LC				Expansion Area		ELEVATION	ON AND	DATUM:		
DRILL	NG C	CON	TRAC	TOR: Vortex	Drilling, Inc.		DATE ST. 5/26/11	ARTED	:	DATE FINI 5/31/11	SHED:
DRILL	NG N	ИΕΤΙ	HOD:	Hollow Sten	n Auger		TOTAL D	EPTH (1	ft.):		NG POINT:
DRILL	NG E	QU	IPMEN	NT: B-59 Mob	oile Drill / B6I HDX		DEPTH T	0	FIRST	COMPL.	24 HRS.
SAMP	LING	ME	THOD	: 2.5' Split S	ooon		WATER LOGGED		D.O.		
HAMM	ER V	VEIG	SHT:	140 lbs	DROP: 18"			SIBLE F	PROFESSIO	DNAL:	REG. NO.
		MPI		140 100	DESCRIPTION		Randy E	Beyer,			5468
DEPTH (feet)	Sample No.	Sample	Blows/ Foot		S): color, moist, % by wt., plast. c cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. ir		re,		PID READING (ppm)	RI	EMARKS
	Š	Š		Caliche Road	Surface Elevation:				₩.		
1-			15 13 6	Caliche Noac	i base						
2- - 3-			22	CLAY (CL): 1	TOPSOIL, dark brown, sandy o	clay		-			
3- 4- 5-			22 32	, ,		•					
5-			11		(CL): yellow to gray, iron oxid		rd, dry,				
6- - 7-			12 12	low plasticity	, homogenous, ~95% clay, ~5	% silt					
8-			15					-			
9-			20								
10			9								
11- - 12-			12 17	staining, mod	ND (SC): light gray, firm, moist derately cementation, homoge	nous, very	oxide /				
13-	./.				quartz, ~90% sand, ~10% cla (CL): same as 5.0' - 10.8'	у	/	/ =			
14-	le 13'-1		50/2	SANDY with	CLAY (SC): yellow to tan, dry		ation,	-			
15- - 16-	Grab Sample		40	Loose at 15'	, very fine-grained, ~95% sand -16.5'	o, ~5% ciay		-			
17-	Grab		50/5	Firm at 16.5'	- increasing clay to ~20%, mo	ist, iron oxide	stains				
18-			18 31					-			
19-			18								
20-			14	Trace limesto	one fragments 20' - 22'						
21 - 22 -			22 32								
23-					estone fragments at 22.5-23.5	5', coarse grav	vel, dry,	-			
24-			50/5	loose, poorly CLAY with S	sorted AND (CL): yellowish tan, very	stiff, homoge	nous.				
25-			31		nining, ~95% clay, ~5% silt	Jan, Hornogol	,				
26-			34 50/4					-			
27 - 28 -			36								
20 29-			40 50/5					-			
30-			30/5								RMRK3
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DEPTH (feet)	Sample	Sample	Blows/	DESCRIPTION NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. density, structure, cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. inter.		PID READING (ppm)	REMARKS
31-				Increase in silt content to ~20% at 29.5'			
32 - 33 -				Silty seam at 32'	-		
34 <del>-</del> 35 <del>-</del>	-			Calcite and iron nodules in fracture at 34'			
36 <u>-</u> 37 <u>-</u>				Increasing calcite/iron nodules in seams at 36' - 37.5'			
38-	- - -			45% fractures, few slickensides, calcite in fractures			
40 - 41 - 42 -	Sample 40'-42'		13 19 21	Color changes to light greenish gray			
42 <u>-</u> 43 <u>-</u> 44 -	j ő			CLAY (CL): light greenish gray clay, moist very stiff, homogenous, fractured, 100% clay, medium plasticity			
45 46							
47 - 48 -	-			Abundant fractures, trace pyrite (47.5'-48')			
49 - 50 - 51 -			15				
51 <sub>-</sub> 52 <u>-</u> 53 -			17 24	Color changes to light gray			
54 <u>-</u> 55 -	- - -			Abundant fractures (55'-56')			
56 <u>-</u> 57 <u>-</u>			60	Color changes to light gray/light tan			
58- 59-	-62'		66				
60 - 61 - 62 -	Grab Sample 60'-62'		30 50/6	Local increase in silt content (10%) from 60-61.5'			
62 <u>-</u> 63 <u>-</u> 64 -	Grab		Hard				
65 <u>-</u> 66 -			Hard				
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(reet) Sample No.	Sample	Blows/ Foot	DESCRIPTION  NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. density, structure, cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. inter.		PID READING (ppm)	REMARKS
7-	0)		Trace moisture, trace limestone pebbles			
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3-		Hard				
9 -						
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1 -		12 18				
2		25	Abundant limestone pebbles at 72-74'			
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1		Hard				
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7		Hard				
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- 82.5		Hard				
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Sample 78'	<u> </u>	34	Localized silt as high as 200/			
Samp = 5	/	50/4	Localized silt as high as 30%			
3   "						
-		Hard				
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5						
3		Hard				
7		-	CUT (ML) light gray 400/ play dr.			
3			SILT (ML): light gray, ~10% clay, dry			
9		Hard				
95.						
	$\square$	21	Increased clay (40%) at 90', trace moisture, less stiff	17		
Sample 90'	X	25				
Sam = 2		30				
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<b>1</b>		Hard				
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$\dashv$		Hord	CLAY (CL): light gray, calcareous nodules, blocky, very stiff,			
<u> </u>		Hard	hard, dry			
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<i>,</i> ¬			Total Depth: 102' Hollow Stem Auger refusal at 102'			

PROJECT: LCRA FF Expansio	PP Combustion Byproducts Landfill (CBL) n Area		No. CBL - 306 B/I
BORING LOCATION: So	uth of CBL Leachate Pond	GROUND SURFACE ELE	VATION AND DATUM:
DRILLING CONTRACTOR:	Vortex Drilling, Inc.	DATE STARTED: 6/1/11	DATE FINISHED: 6/3/11
DRILLING METHOD:	Hollow Stem Auger	TOTAL DEPTH (ft.): 12.5	SCREEN INTERVAL (ft.): 7.5'-12.5'
DRILLING EQUIPMENT:	B-61 HDX	DEPTH TO WATER ATD:	CASING: 0-12.5'
SAMPLING METHOD:	2.5' Split Spoon	LOGGED BY: Mike Schofield, P.G.	
	140 DROP: 18"	RESPONSIBLE PROFESS Mike Schofield, P.G.	SIONAL: REG. NO. 10666
DEPTH (feet) Sample No. Sample Sample Blows/ Sample Coot Coot Sample Sample Reading	DESCRIPTION NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. densit cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. inter.  Surface Elevation:	y, structure,	WELL CONSTRUCTION DETAILS AND/OR DRILLING REMARKS
5	CLAY (CL): black , trace moisture, stiff, organistrer	anic	Concrete  Bentonite  2" Sch-40 PVC Riser
10 - 9 14 9 8 50/3 - 15-14 16 16 10 13 16 20 - 15-7.22 9 ST 25 - 10 50/5.5 5 50/5.5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	CLAY with SAND: gray, fine-grained, trace in medium stiff  SAND (SW): tan/gray, iron oxide staining, fine-grained, loose, large calcareous nodules  CLAY (CL): gray with tan, localized, stiff, silt as 25%, blocky leavage, stiff		20/40 Grade Silica Sand      2" Sch-40 PVC     0.010" Slotted Screen  Bucket sample collected for (5'-9') interval from auger cuttings
9 13 12 17	26' onward, no silt (100% clay)  Red mottling at 28'		
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(feet)	Sample No.	Sample	Blows/ Foot	OVM Reading	DESCRIPTION NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. decementation, react. w/HCl, geo. into	nsity, structure, er.	DETAILS	AND/OR REMARKS
_					Same stiff clay, light gray to tan			
_					Same sun day, light gray to tan	-		
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35-					Clear crystals at 34', not HCL reactive 45° fractures, 34' - 38'			
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40-	10'-43'		14					
_	Grab Sample 40'-43'		12		Same, all light gray			
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50-	53		10		Same, some tan mottling			
_	Grab Sample 50'-53'		15		came, some tan metanig			
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	Grab							
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60-					Same, calcareous nodules at 29'			
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### Log of Well No. CBL - 306 B/I (cont'd)

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DEPTH (feet)	Sample Blows/ Sample Coot Cook Sample	DESCRIPTION NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. density, structure, cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. inter.	DET	CONSTRUCTION FAILS AND/OR LING REMARKS
		Large calcareous seam at 65.5, some limestone		
		pebbles starting at 66'		
70-				
-	50/3	Same, slight greenish gray color, calcareous, clay,		
-		stiff, localized silt (~15-20%) in pockets, dry	-	
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		Total Depth: 80', Hollow Stem Auger refusal at 80'.		
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	(CBL) Expansion Area	GROUND SURFACE	ELEVATION AND DATUM:
BORING LOCATION: W	/est of Trees 10'	DATE OTABLED	DATE EINIOLIED
DRILLING CONTRACTOR	R: Vortex Drilling, Inc.	DATE STARTED: 12/21/11	DATE FINISHED: 12/21/11
DRILLING METHOD:	Hollow Stem Auger	TOTAL DEPTH (ft.): 42.5	SCREEN INTERVAL (ft.) 26'-41'
DRILLING EQUIPMENT:	Mobile Drill B-59	DEPTH TO WATER A 33.90	TD: CASING: 0'-41'
SAMPLING METHOD:	Continous-Split Spoon	LOGGED BY: Randy Beyer, P.G	).
HAMMER WEIGHT:	DROP:	RESPONSIBLE PROF Randy Beyer, P.G	ESSIONAL: REG. NO
Cfeet) Sample No. Sample Sample No. Sample Foot Coot OVM	DESCRIPTION NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. de cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. int	ensity, structure,	WELL CONSTRUCTION DETAILS AND/OR DRILLING REMARKS
	Carraco Elevation.	ah hrawa	DIVIDENTAL TO
-	TOPSOIL/GRAVEL (GP): brown to reddi	sn-brown,	
	CLAY with Gravel (CH): light brown to remoist, medium plasticity 80% clay/20% g		
5-	SANDY GRAVEL (GP): light gray, dry, 60 gravel/40% sand, minor clay, blocky, loos	0%	
			2" Sch-40 PVC Riser
10-	SILTY CLAY (CL): light gray, iron oxide s moist, firm, high plasticity, 99% clay/1% s		
	calcareous clay layer, white		Bentonite
	SAND (SW): light gray, iron oxide stainin- medium-grained, quartz, mafics, - calcareous CLAYEY SAND, white, dry	g, dry, firm,	Bentonite
15-			
	Clay content up to 30%, firm, dry, (SC)		
20 -	Cemented SANDSTONE, (21'-21.5') dry		
25-			20/40 Grade Silica Sand
			filter pack
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### Log of Well No. CBL - 307 U (cont'd)

DESCRIPTION MAME (USCS): color, mosts, % by w., plast, density, structure, comerciation, resct. wirlCl, sec. inter.  CLAYEY SAND (SC): moist, firm, non plastic 50% and/50% clay Sand - saturated at 32'  coarse-grained at 35'  CLAY (CH): orange to light tan GRAVELLY SAND (GC): medium gray, wet, 80% and/20% gravel, coarse sand CLAY (CH): yellow to tan, moist, high plasticity -sand layer 40'-40.5'  Total Depth = 42.5	CAMPLEO			
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coarse-grained at 35'  CLAY (CH): orange to light tan GRAVELLY SAND (GC): medium gray, wet, 80% sand/20% gravel, coarse sand CLAY (CH): yellow to tan, moist, high plasticity -sand layer 40'-40.5'  Total Depth = 42.5	-			
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40		CLAY (CH): orange to light tan		
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BORING I				GROUND SURFACE EL	EVATION AND DATUM:
DRILLING	CONTR	RACTOF	Vortex Drilling, Inc.	DATE STARTED: 12/20/11	DATE FINISHED: 12/20/11
DRILLING	METHO	DD:	Hollow Stem Auger	TOTAL DEPTH (ft.): 34.5	SCREEN INTERVAL (ft.): 22'-32'
DRILLING	EQUIP	MENT:	Mobile Drill B-59	DEPTH TO WATER ATD 29.5	): CASING: 0'-22'
SAMPLIN	G METH	IOD:	Continous-Split Spoon	LOGGED BY: Charlie Macon, P.G	
HAMMER	WEIGH	T:	DROP:	RESPONSIBLE PROFES Charlie Macon, P.G	
DEPTH (feet)	Sample Blows/		DESCRIPTION NAME (USCS): color, moist, % by wt., plast. d cementation, react. w/HCl, geo. in Surface Elevation:	density, structure, nter.	WELL CONSTRUCTION DETAILS AND/OR DRILLING REMARKS
	- 60 m		FAT CLAY (CH) with GRAVEL: light gramoist, iron oxide staining, stiff	ay and tan,	—— Concrete
5-			becomes FAT CLAY (CH): pale yellow-t stiff, blocky	tan, moist,	—— 2" Sch-40 PVC Riser
10-			iron and manganese oxide staining, increasing calcium carbonate  grades to tan, decreasing calcium carbo		—— Bentonite
15- -			CLAYEY SAND (SC): very light gray, dr sand seam at 16', increasing calcium ca		
20-			CLAYEY SILT (ML): tan and gray with in mottling, stiff, dry SILTY CLAY (CL): tan and gray with iro mottling, stiff, dry	on oxide	
- - - -			CLAYEY SAND (SC): gray, moist, firm, staining, moist, lenses of calcuim carbor	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	—— 20/40 Grade Silica Sand filter pack
25-			Tan and gray blocky clay seam, dry very light gray sand, less calcium carbo SAND (SC): tan, soft, medium-grained,		—— 2" Sch-40 PVC 0.010"-Slotted Screen
30-			SANDY CLAY (CL): mottled tan-gray, in staining, dry, blocky, saturated sand len	ns	
			FAT CLAY (CH): tan and gray, hard, mo oxided staining, blocky	ottled, iron	
35-			Total Depth = 34.5		
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## Log of Boring: CBL-310

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Fayette Power Plant La Grange, TX				Drilling Company:	Vortex	Borehole Diameter (in.):	2.25
			<b>\</b>	Driller:	Robert Joiner	Total Depth (ft):	27.5
				Driller's License:	54776M	Northing:	9947254.0686'
	PBW Pro	ject No.	1650	Field Supervisor.	Roberta McClure	Easting:	3429686.7216'
				Sampling Method:	1 3/4" x 5' sample tube	Ground Elev. (ft AMSL):	371.434'
Depth (ft)	Recovery (ft/ft)	SOSO			Lithologic Description		
0		SM	(0.0 - 0.5) Silt	y SAND, reddish-b	prown, very moist, very	soft.	
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Note

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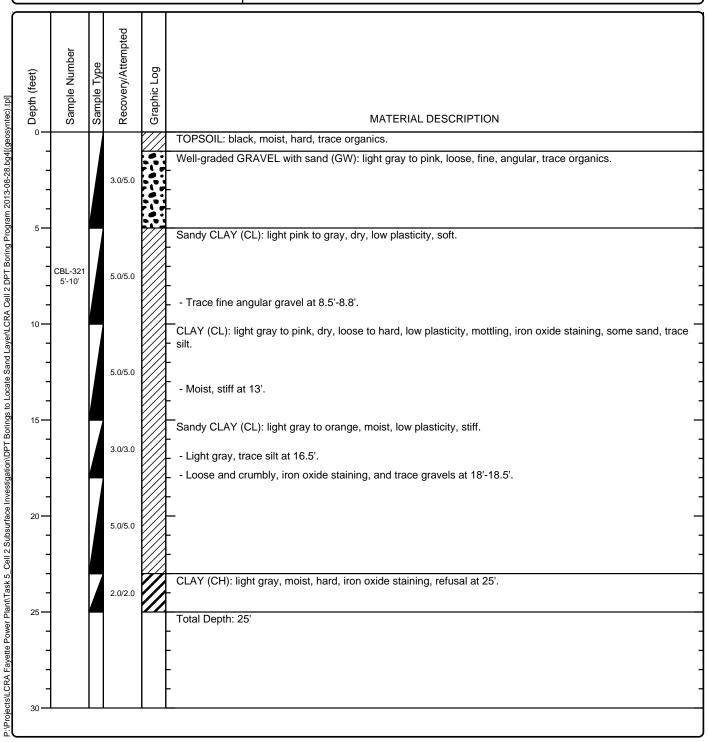
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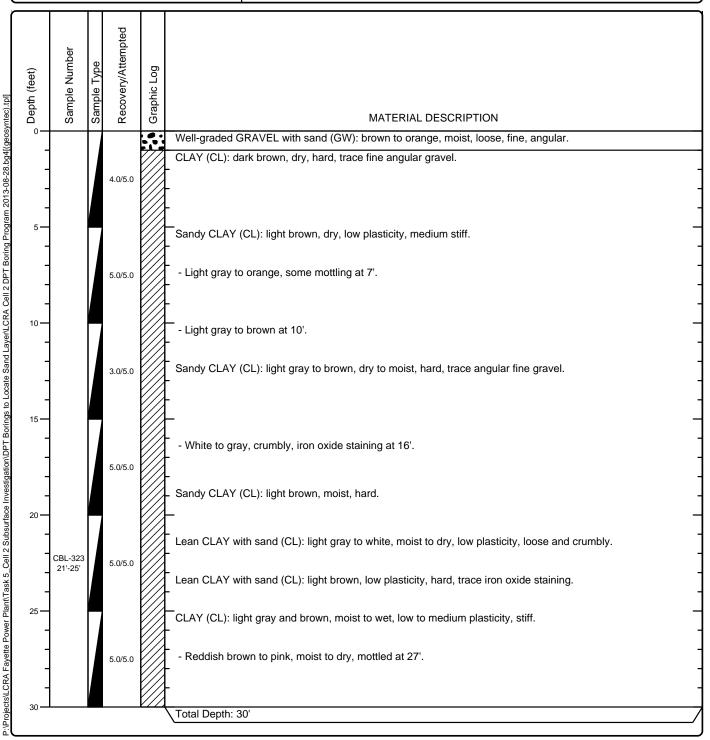


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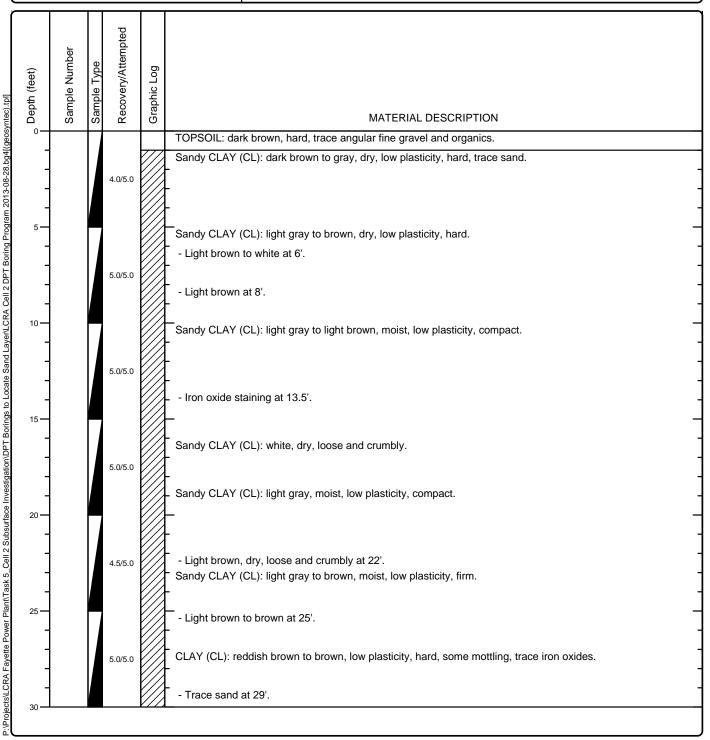


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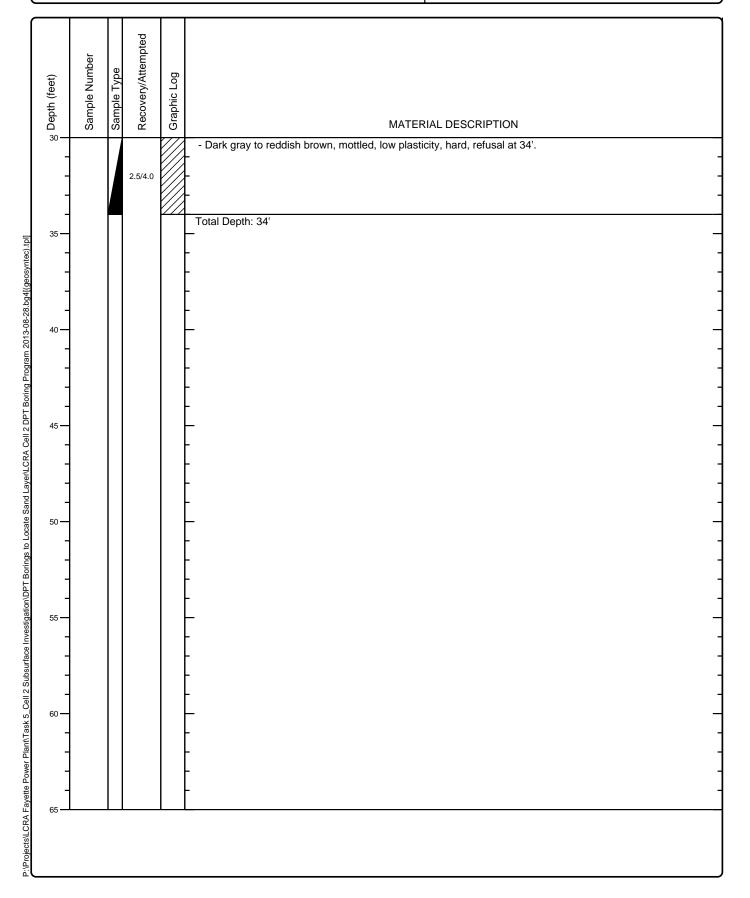
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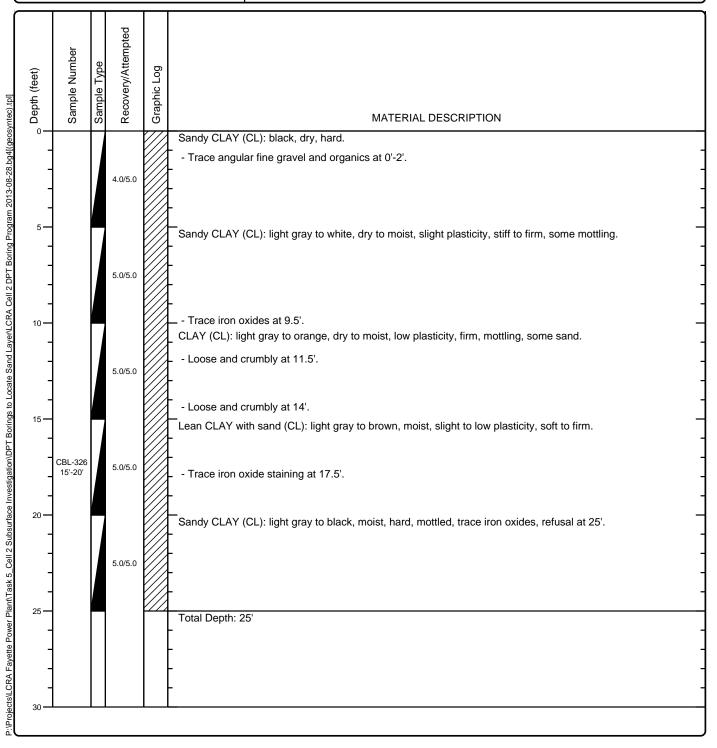


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		Approximate Surface Elevation 357 ft, MSL
Groundwater Level and Date Measured Not Recorded	Sampling Method(s) 1 3/4" x 5' sample tube	Hammer <b>n/a</b> Data
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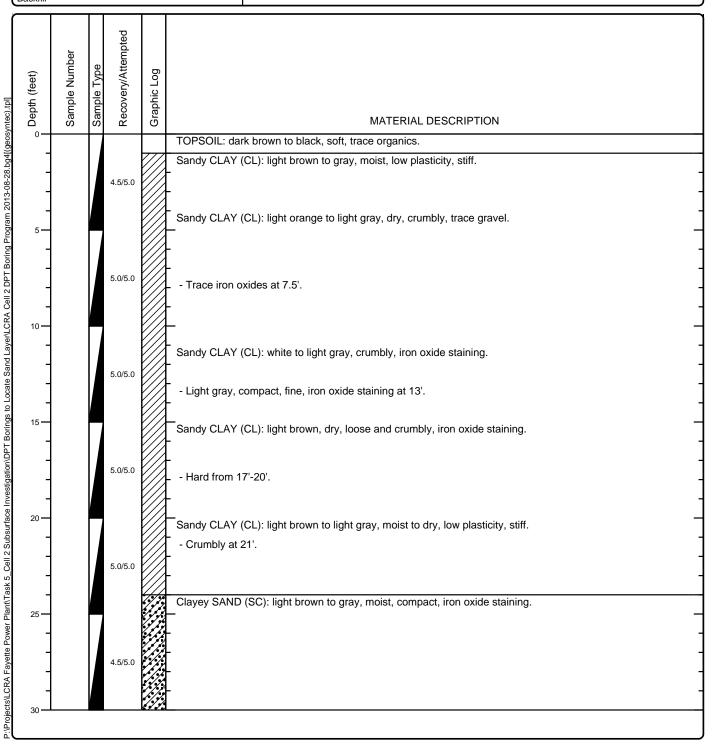


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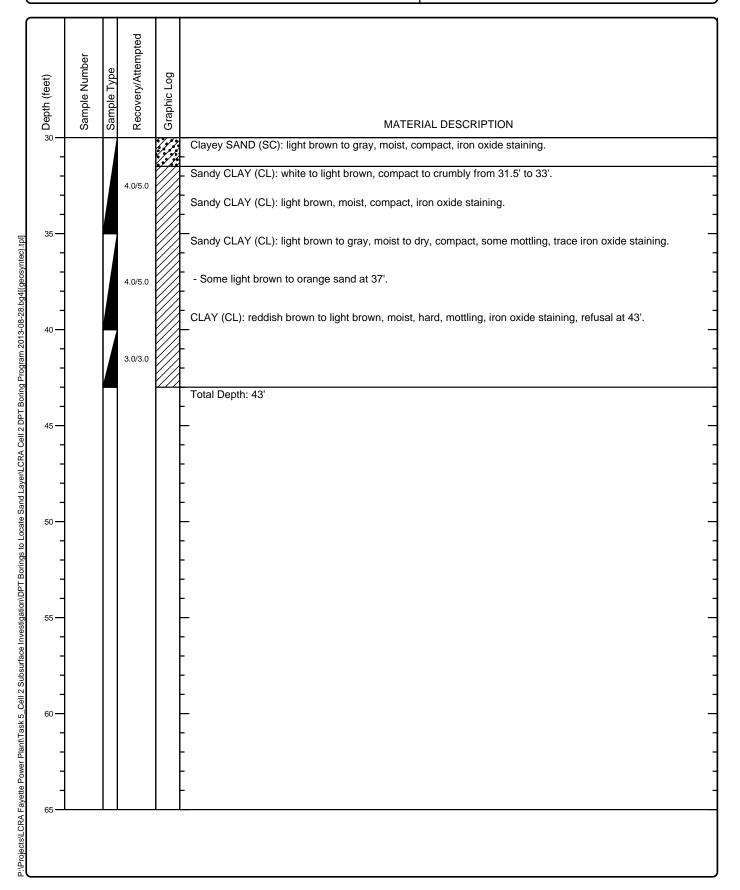
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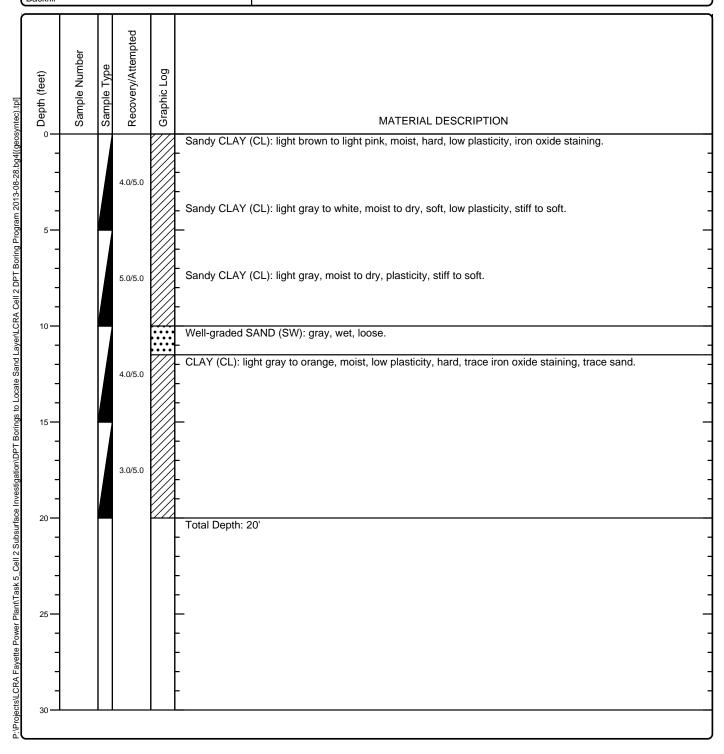


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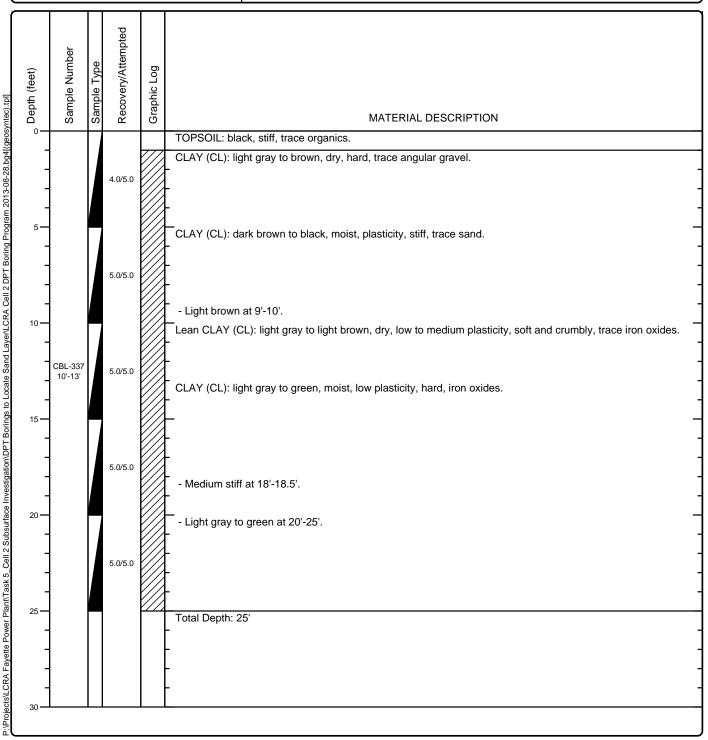


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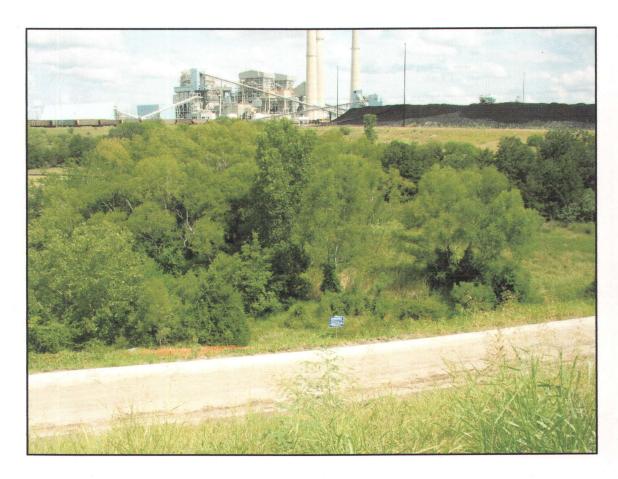
## **APPENDIX C**

### **Wetlands Assessment**

### WETLAND ASSESSMENT

for

Fayetteville Power Plant Complex La Grange, Fayette County, Texas



Prepared by: Ecological Communications Corporation



August 8, 2006

#### INTRODUCTION

Ecological Communications Corporation (EComm) was contracted by RMT, Inc. to conduct a wetlands assessment on the grounds of the Fayetteville Power Plant (FPP) outside of La Grange, TX. EComm performed an on-site visit on July 20, 2006 in order to identify any potentially occurring Waters of the United States (U.S.), including wetlands, as defined by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), evaluate the existing methods of protecting sensitive areas and to identify ways to further protect those areas. Additional information regarding experience and capabilities for EComm firm and staff can be found in Appendix A of this document.

This report presents the findings that were concluded as a result of observations made during an on-site visit conducted July 20, 2006, and information gathered from aerial photographs and vegetation surveys as provided by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD), and topographic maps.

#### REGULATORY GUIDANCE

All Waters of the U.S. are considered jurisdictional by the USACE. The dredging or filling of more than a standard acreage or distance (depending on the activity) of these waters at an individual project site requires a specific permit, under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

Waters of the U.S. include, with some exemptions:

- All waters which are currently used, or were used in the past, or may be susceptible to use, in
  interstate or foreign commerce, including all waters which are subject to the ebb and flow of the
  tide:
- All interstate waters including interstate wetlands;
- All other waters such as interstate lakes, rivers, streams (including intermittent streams), mudflats, sandflats, wetlands, sloughs, prairie potholes, wet meadows, playa lakes, or natural ponds; the use, degradation or destruction of which could affect interstate or foreign commerce including any such waters:
  - 1. which are or could be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreational or other purposes; or
  - 2. from which fish or shellfish are or could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce; or
  - 3. which are used or could be used for industrial purpose by industries in interstate commerce;
- All impoundments of waters otherwise defined as Waters of the U.S. under the definition;
- Tributaries of waters identified in all sections above:
- The territorial seas;
- Wetlands adjacent to waters (other than waters that are themselves wetlands) identified in all sections above. The term "adjacent" means bordering, contiguous, or neighboring. Wetlands separated from other Waters of the U.S. by man-made dikes or barriers, natural river berms, beach dunes and the like are "adjacent wetlands."

Waters of the U.S. typically do not include:

- Waste treatment systems, including treatment ponds or lagoons designed to meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act;
- Abandoned stock ponds (in certain circumstances);
- Road-side ditches;
- Mined areas (until they assume characteristics of Waters of the U.S.); or
- Agricultural areas.

Of the jurisdictional waters included in the above definition, some are considered special aquatic sites by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and require specific conditions in order to be classified. One special aquatic site that pertains to areas within the subject property is a wetland. Wetlands are areas that are inundated or saturated by surface or ground water at a frequency and duration sufficient to support, and that under normal circumstances do support, a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. Any activity involving the dredging or filling of wetlands of any size requires a permit by the USACE.

#### **SITE INVESTIGATION METHODS**

A windshield survey was performed along the boundaries of the property. A pedestrian survey was performed along the unnamed tributary of Cedar Creek, a spring fed ephemeral stream that crosses the property, northwest to southeast. The tributary traverses the southern half of the property, and flows into Cedar Creek in the southeast corner of the property (Figure 1). The channel and confluence of the stream were examined, as well as the hydrology and morphology of the stream to determine the tributary's status as jurisdictional waters of the U.S. Dominant vegetation along the tributaries and their impoundments were also identified, to determine the possibility of wetlands.

#### SITE EVALUATION RESULTS

The unnamed tributary of Cedar Creek originates approximately 3300 feet south of the southwest corner of the Fayette Reservoir (Photo 1), joining Cedar Creek approximately 4300 feet downstream, southeast of the FPP property. This tributary, as shown on the 1981 U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Fayetteville, TX topographic map, flows through the property and the FPP complex located there. The tributary channels are clearly defined, and contain a significant amount of wetland vegetation within or near the channel (Photos 3 through 7).

The tributaries maintain defined ordinary high water marks throughout most of its course within the property (Photo 8). A significant amount of unmaintained riparian vegetation grows along the banks of the tributary. Vegetation within the riparian areas are dominated by American elm (*Ulmus americana*), mesquite (*Prosopis glandulosa*), cypress (*Taxodium distichum*), hackberry (*Celtis laevigata*), eastern cottonwood (*Poplusus deltoides*), ashe juniper (*Juniperus ashei*), greenbriar (*Smilax bona-nox*), poison ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*), and other herbaceous vegetation. Once the tributary exits the property, it flows southeast into Cedar Creek.

This tributary is considered a jurisdictional water of the U.S., and has several wetlands present. A small wetland area (approximately 200 square feet) is located at the beginning of the tributary, a sizable wetland area along the northern bank of the tributary where it flows between the FPP's rail loop (approximately 0.20 acre), and a small wetland area within the channel of the tributary as it flows southeast past the eastern portion of the rail loop (approximately 200 square feet). The wetland area within the rail loop and

the surrounding riparian area have been previously surrounded by three foot high orange geotextile fence, silt fence, and straw barriers, by FPP personnel, to avoid vehicle and drainage impacts. The wetland areas at the streams origin and southeast of the culvert under the eastern section of the rail loop have not been fenced off. Signs noting the sensitive areas' presence have been posted to inform people of their locations.

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

The unnamed tributary of Cedar Creek that traverses the FPP property is jurisdictional. Any disturbance to the wetland areas or disturbance of greater than a minimum acreage or linear feet limit (depending on the activity) will require coordination with USACE. In the event of a catastrophic oil spill, additional silt fencing around the key wetland areas can be implemented, and a USACE Nationwide Permit 20, Oil Spill Cleanup, can be obtained. If vehicles or heavy machinery are needed, a USACE Nationwide Permit 14, Linear Transportation, would be necessary. While this stream is the main tributary within the FPP property, other sources of riparian and special vegetative areas could exist within the property boundaries and were not surveyed as part of this report.

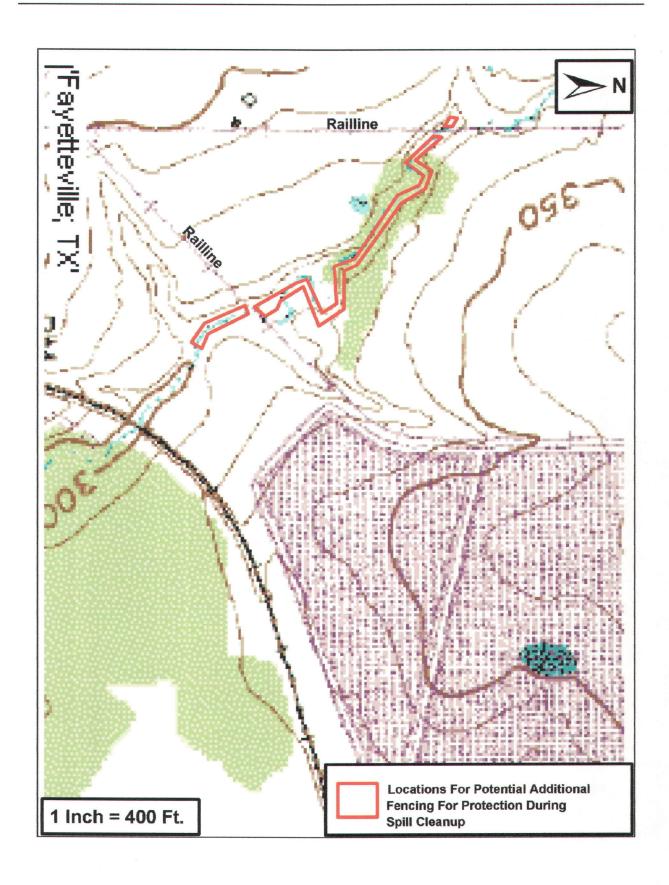
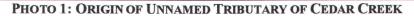


FIGURE 1: USGS FAYETTEVILLE, TX TOPOGRAPHIC MAP



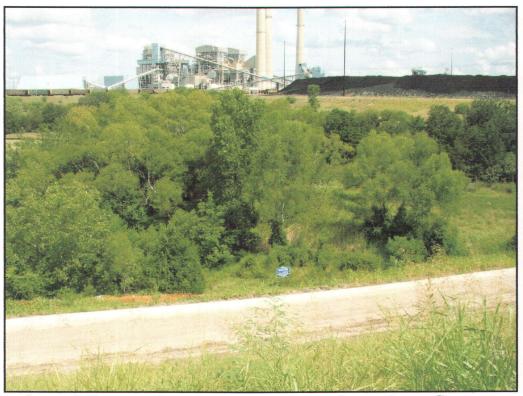


PHOTO 2: RIPARIAN AREA INSIDE FAYETTEVILLE POWER PLANT COMPLEX



PHOTO 3: WETLAND VEGETATION ALONG THE NORTHERN BANK OF TRIBUTARY



PHOTO 4: RIPARIAN AND WETLAND VEGETATION WITH PROTECTIVE FENCE



PHOTO 5: RIPARIAN AND WETLAND VEGETATION WITH PROTECTIVE FENCE AND SIGN



PHOTO 6: RAIL LINE CULVERT WITH WETLAND VEGETATION



PHOTO 7: WETLAND VEGETATION SOUTHEAST OF RAIL LINE CULVERT



PHOTO 8: TRIBUTARY UPSTREAM WITH WETLAND VEGETATION

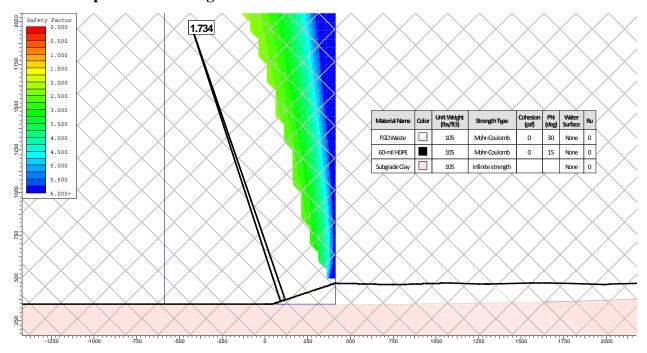
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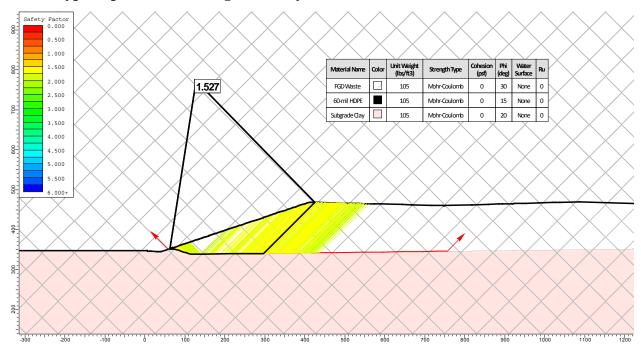
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## **APPENDIX D Slope Stability Analyses Results**

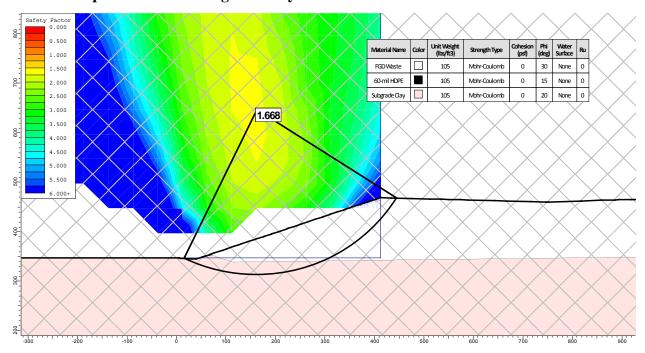
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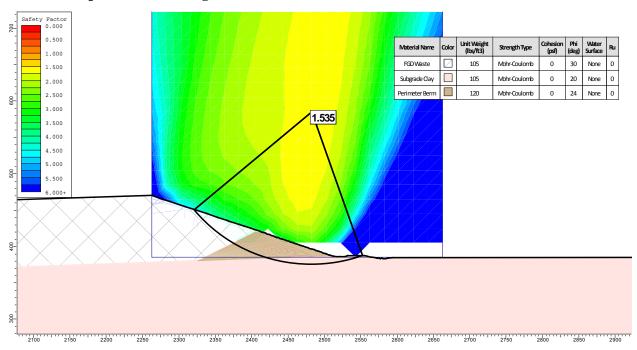
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#### Circular Slip Surface Into Subgrade Clay



#### **Circular Slip Surface Through North Perimeter Berm**



### APPENDIX E

**Protected Species Habitat Assessment** 

# PROTECTED SPECIES HABITAT ASSESSMENT FOR THE FAYETTE POWER PROJECT COAL COMBUSTION BYPRODUCT LANDFILL

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

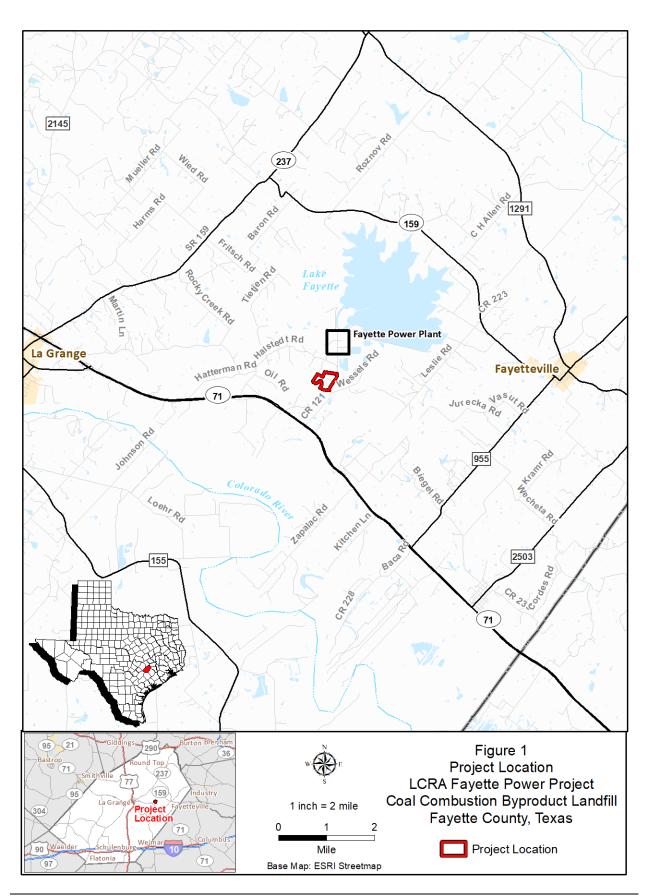
The Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) is preparing an application for the registration of its Fayette Power Project (FPP) Coal Combustion Byproduct Landfill under the Coal Combustion Residual Rules of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Blanton and Associates, Inc. (B&A) was contracted by LCRA to conduct a protected species habitat assessment on approximately 70 acres of land (herein referred to as the project area) which is a portion of the 123-acre deed recorded Class 2 landfill solid waste management unit for the FPP. The 70-acre project area is designated for the development of future landfill cells and is shown in **Figure 1**. Site preparation for future cells would include the removal of all current vegetation.

This document assesses the potential for federally listed threatened, endangered, or other protected species (e.g., eagles) to occur in the project area and potential for those species to be impacted by the project. Subsequent sections provide the methods used in the analysis (Section 2.0); a description of vegetation, water resources, and soils within the project area (Section 3.0); a discussion of federal regulations that address protected species as well as identification and description of protected species of potential occurrence in the project area (Section 4.0); and a summary of the evaluation results and consequent recommendations (Section 5.0). Representative photographs of the project area are presented in Appendix A.

#### 2.0 METHODS

B&A ecologists completed a literature, database, and desktop review for federally listed protected species potentially occurring in Fayette County and the project area. The purpose of the review was to assess habitats and resources within the project area; to determine protected species of known or potential occurrence within Fayette County and the project vicinity; to evaluate the life history and ecology of these species in relation to the habitats and resources present in the project area; and to ultimately determine the potential for each protected species to occur in the project area. Information reviewed included, but was not limited to the following:

- the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Information for Planning and Consultation (IPaC) Trusted Resource List for Fayette County, Texas (USFWS 2021a)
- the USFWS Environmental Conservation Online System (ECOS) Species by County Report for Fayette County, Texas (USFWS 2021b)
- the USFWS Critical Habitat online mapper (USFWS 2021c)
- the USFWS National Wetlands Inventory (USFWS 2021d) the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Annotated County List of Rare Species for Fayette County, Texas (TPWD 2021a)
- the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) National Land Cover Database (Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics Consortium [MRLC])
- the TPWD Texas Natural Diversity Database (TXNDD 2021)
- the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's eBird Database (eBird 2021)



- the California Academy of Sciences and National Geographic Society's iNaturalist Database (iNaturalist 2021)
- the USGS National Hydrography Dataset (USGS 2021a)
- USGS 7.5-minute La Grange East topographic quadrangle map (USGS 2019)
- the Geologic Atlas of Texas, Seguin Sheets (Bureau of Economic Geology [BEG] 1979)
- the USDA-Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Soils Survey Geologic Database (SSURGO) (USDA-NRCS 2021), and
- photointerpretation of historical and contemporary natural color aerial imagery for the project area (Google Earth Pro 2021)

Of note, the eBird (2021) and iNaturalist (2021) databases include self-reported species sightings by citizens that are unverified, and as such, provide a general reference but inherently exhibit a level of uncertainty. Additionally, eBird does not depict observation locations, but rather only frequency of observation within a larger region, for some sensitive species. Likewise, iNaturalist sightings for some sensitive species (e.g., bald eagle [Haliaeetus leucocephalus] nests) provide proximal locations that have been randomly repositioned in the vicinity of their reported location.

The review of background information was accompanied by a field investigation on November 23, 2021. During the field investigation, the project area was evaluated to verify information attained in the background review and to assess the potential for federally protected species to occur on the site. Additionally, a presence/absence survey for Navasota ladies'-tresses (NLT) (*Spiranthes parksii*) was conducted by two B&A biologists.

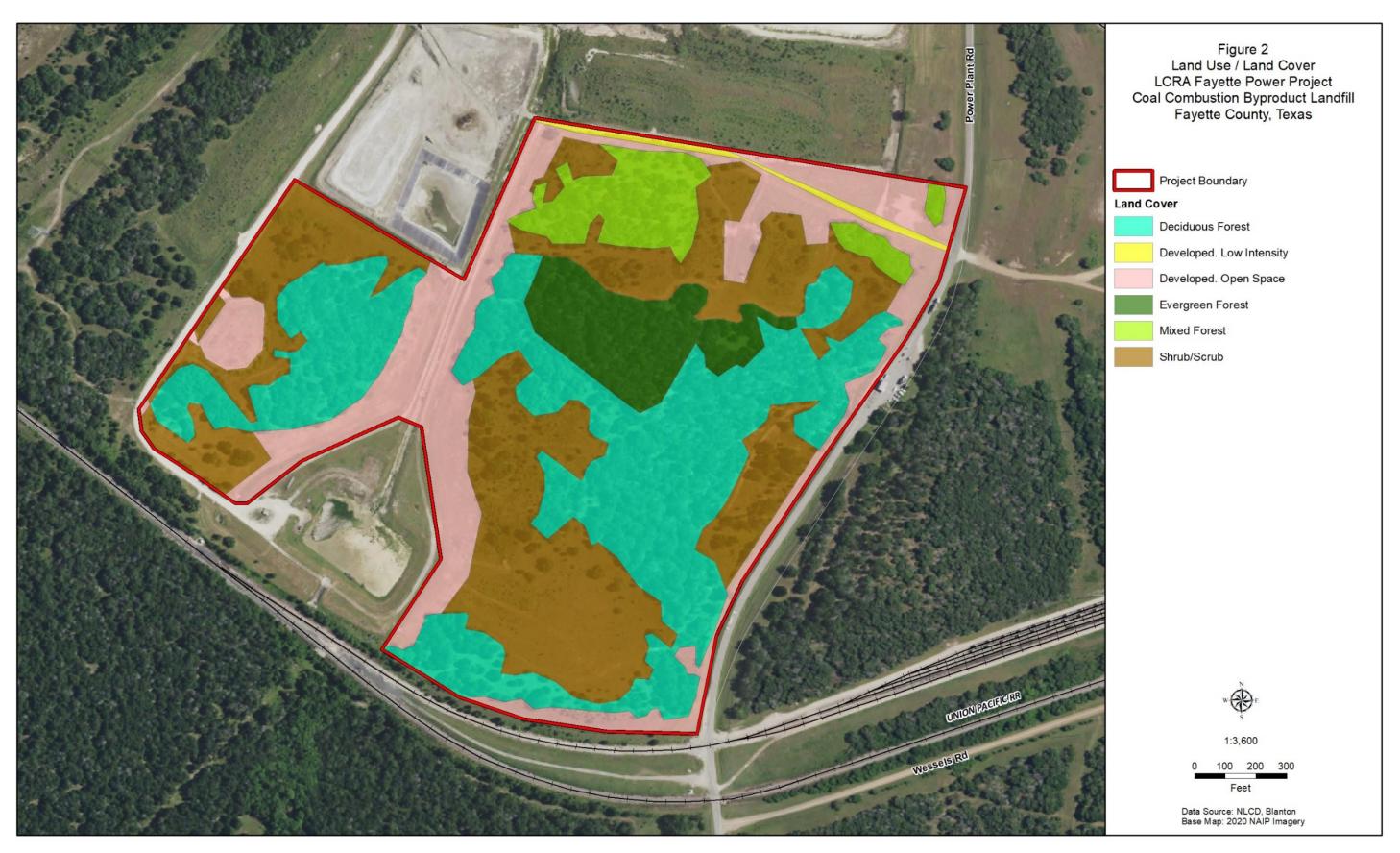
#### 3.0 PROJECT AREA DESCRIPTION

The project area is located approximately seven miles east of the City of La Grange and encompasses approximately 70 acres on the south side of the FPP (**Figure 1**). The project lies within the Texas Blackland Prairies Level III ecoregion and Southern Blackland/Fayette Prairie Level IV ecoregion (Griffith et al 2007). The Texas Blackland Prairies form a disjunct ecological region, distinguished from surrounding regions by fine-textured, clayey soils and predominantly prairie natural vegetation (Griffith et al 2007).

The project area is humid sub-tropical, with an average annual rainfall of approximately 39.63 inches (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [NOAA 2021]). Monthly average precipitation ranges from 4.27 inches in October (historically the wettest month) to 2.06 inches in July (historically the driest month) (NOAA 2021).

#### 3.1 <u>Land Cover and Vegetation Communities</u>

The project area lies is within the Blackland Prairie vegetational area (Gould et. al 1960), which generally corresponds with the Texas Blackland Prairies (Level III) ecoregion previously described. Based on the 2016 National Land Cover Database (NLCD) (Multi-Resolution Land Characteristics Consortium [MRLC] 2016), mapped land cover classes for the project area are provided below on **Figure 2** and **Table 1**.



**Table 1. Land Cover Classification for the Project Area** 

Land Cover Class	Acres*	Percent
Shrub/Scrub	24	34.3
Deciduous Forest	22	31.4
Developed, Open Space	14	20.0
Evergreen Forest	5	7.1
Mixed Forest	4	5.8
Developed, Low Intensity	1	1.4
TOTAL	70	100

Most of the project area consists of shrub/scrub, deciduous forest, and developed land (with open space). Minor land cover types occurring in the project area include evergreen forest, mixed forest and developed land (low intensity).

Based on the field investigations, vegetation within the project area was consistent with the NLCD mapping. Land use is variable with regard to browsing and mowing regimen, affecting vegetative communities present and their structure. Browsing pressure was evident throughout the project area. Common grassland/herbaceous species included yellow bluestem (*Bothriochloa ischaemum*), broomsedge bluestem (*Andropogon virginicus*), woolly croton (*Croton capitatus*), slender threeseed mercury (*Acalypha gracilens*), silver bluestem (*Bothriochloa laguroides*), rosette-panicgrass (*Dichanthelium* sp.), narrowleaf marshelder (*Iva angustifolia*), Bermudagrass (*Cynodon dactylon*), western ragweed (*Ambrosia psilostachya*), splitbeard bluestem (*Andropogon ternarius*), low prickly pear (*Opuntia humifusa*), southern dewberry (*Rubus trivialis*), St. Andrew's cross (*Hypericum hypericoides*), sneezeweed (*Helenium amarum*), and gaping grass (*Steinchisma hians*). Shrubs noted within the project area included coralberry (*Symphoricarpos orbiculatus*), farkleberry (*Vaccinium arboreum*), groundseltree (*Baccharis halimifolia*), retama (*Parkinsonia aculeata*), and yaupon (*Ilex vomitoria*).

Woodlands in the project area primarily consisted of post oak (*Quercus stellata*), southern live oak (*Quercus virginiana*), blackjack oak (*Quercus marilandica*), eastern redcedar (*Juniperus virginiana*), and few scattered loblolly pines (*Pinus taeda*). The understory was typically composed of dense yaupon and eastern redcedar, with occasional coralberry and farkleberry shrubs. Vines observed in the subcanopy primarily were saw greenbriar (*Smilax bona-nox*) and mustang grape (*Vitis mustangensis*). These wooded areas generally exhibited dense canopy and understory coverage as well as dense leaf litter such that the herb stratum was typically absent, with the exception of a small patch of open woodlands in which three nodding ladies'-tresses (*Spiranthes cernua*) individuals were observed (see **Section 4.2.3**).

A small pond in the northeast part of the project area exhibited some standing water but appeared to be drying out at the time of the survey. Vegetation in and around this feature included bushy bluestem (Andropogon glomeratus), Chinese tallow (Triadica sebifera), black willow (Salix nigra), gaping grass, floating primrose-willow (Ludwigia peploides), wingleaf primrose-willow (Ludwigia decurrens), southern cattail (Typha domingensis), crowngrass (Paspalum sp.), annual marshelder (Iva annua), western ragweed, and southern dewberry.

Representative photographs of land cover types/vegetative communities in the project area are depicted in **Appendix A**.

#### 3.2 Water Resources

The project lies within the Lower Colorado-Cummins (Hydrologic Unit Code [HUC] 12090301) watershed (USGS 2021b). A review of National Wetland Inventory (NWI) data (USFWS 2021d), USGS topographic maps (USGS 2019), the National Hydrography Dataset (NHD) (USGS 2021a), and aerial imagery (Google Earth Pro 2021) revealed that the project area is drained by Cedar Creek. During the field investigation, B&A identified one small pond and the existing runoff channel in the project area.

#### 3.3 Soils

According to USDA-NRCS (2021), five soil types are mapped within the project area (**Table 2**). Approximately 49 percent of the project area contains sandy soils (Straber soils), 43 percent of the project area contains clay soils (Frelsburg and Latium soils), and 8 percent contains sandy loam soils (Rek soils) (YSDA-NRCS 2021). None of the soils within the project area contain hydric soil components (**Table 2**). Mapped soils within the project area are depicted on **Figure 3**.

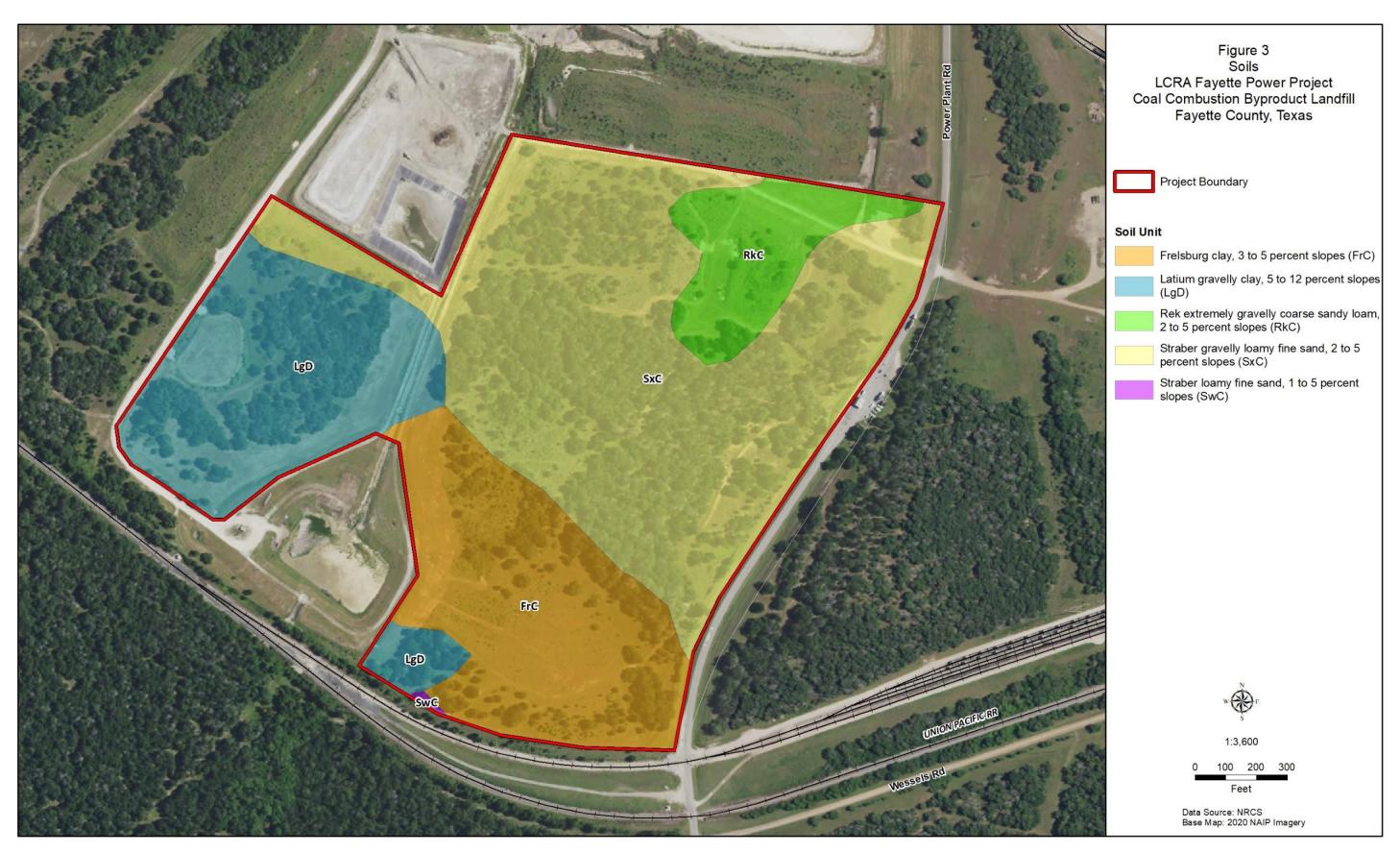
**Table 2. Soils Mapped in the Project Area** 

Soil Series (Map Symbol)		Hydric Rating (Percent)	Acres	Percent of Project Area
Frelsburg clay, 3 to 5 percent slopes (FrC, 32)	No	0	15	22
Latium gravelly clay, 5 to 12 percent slopes (LgD)	No	0	15	21
Rek extremely gravelly course sandy loam 2 to 5 percent slopes (RkC)	No	0	6	8
Straber loamy fine sand, 1 to 5 percent slopes (SwC)	No	0	<1	<1
Straber gravelly loamy fine sand, 2 to 5 percent slopes (SxC)	No	0	34	49
TOTAL	-	-	70	100

Source: USDA-NRCS 2021

#### 4.0 PROTECTED SPECIES ASSESSMENT

This section discusses federal regulations that address threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species; identifies and describes protected species of potential occurrence in the project area; and provides an assessment of the potential impacts of the project on protected species, as well as potential regulatory implications.



#### 4.1.1 Endangered Species Act

Animal species listed as threatened or endangered by the USFWS are provided full protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). This protection not only prohibits the direct take of a protected species, but also includes a prohibition of indirect take, such as destruction of designated critical habitat. Listed plants are not protected from "take" on private lands, although on federal land it is illegal to collect or maliciously harm federally listed plant species.

The federal listing process ranks potential candidates for listing based upon the species' biological vulnerability. The vulnerability decision is based upon many factors affecting the species within its range and is linked to the best scientific data available to the USFWS at the present time. Candidate species and species under review are not afforded statutory protection under ESA, although USFWS encourages conservation measures for these species as they may soon be warrant full protection. Species proposed for federal listing are likely to become endangered or threatened in the foreseeable future throughout all or a significant portion of their range, as determined by USFWS. However, species proposed for listing are not protected under the ESA until a final rule to list is published in the Federal Register.

#### 4.1.2 Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act

Within the U.S. or anywhere within its jurisdiction, the bald eagle and the golden eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*) are protected by the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA) (16 U.S.C. 668–668d). Provisions of the act state that, unless otherwise permitted to do so, no person "shall knowingly, or with wanton disregard for the consequences of his act take, possess, sell, purchase, barter, offer to sell, purchase or barter, transport, export or import, at any time or in any manner, any bald eagle . . . or golden eagle, alive or dead, or any part, nest, or egg thereof." The BGEPA defines the take of an eagle to include a broad range of actions, including to pursue, shoot, shoot at, poison, wound, kill, capture, trap, collect, molest, or disturb. Based on regulations found at 50 CFR 22.3, the term "disturb" means to "agitate or bother a bald or golden eagle to a degree that causes, or is likely to cause, based on the best scientific information available, (1) injury to an eagle, (2) a decrease in its productivity, by substantially interfering with normal breeding, feeding, or sheltering behavior, or (3) nest abandonment, by substantially interfering with normal breeding, feeding, or sheltering behavior." The act imposes criminal and civil penalties on anyone, including associations, partnerships, and corporations that violate the act.

#### 4.1.3 Migratory Bird Treaty Act

The Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) prohibits the taking, killing, possession, transportation, import, and export of migratory birds, their eggs, parts, and nests without a USFWS permit or other regulatory authorization. The MBTA protects most native bird species occurring in the wild in the United States except for gallinaceous birds (upland game birds such as turkeys and quail) that are not considered migratory. In addition, the MBTA does not protect some non-native species such as the house sparrow (*Passer domesticus*), European starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*), rock pigeon (*Columba livia*), and any recently listed unprotected species in the Federal Register (FR) (70 FR 12710, 50 CFR 10.13).

Federal courts as well as previous presidential administrations have had conflicting interpretations of the MBTA's intent, particularly regarding incidental take of migratory birds. On January 7, 2021, the USFWS published a final rule in the Federal Register defining the scope of the MBTA as it pertains to death or injury ("take") of migratory birds (86 FR 1134). On October 4, 2021, the USFWS revoked that rule and published a final rule which will implement the MBTA as prohibiting incidental take and applying enforcement discretion, consistent with judicial precedent and longstanding agency practice prior to 2017 (86 FR 54642).

#### 4.2 <u>Assessment of Protected Species Occurrence</u>

Protected species of known or potential occurrence in Fayette County are listed below in **Table 3** (USFWS 2021a, 2021b; TPWD 2021a). No designated critical habitat for federally listed species occurs in the project area or vicinity (USFWS 2021c). For each of the species listed in **Table 3**, the following paragraphs discuss their ecology, including habitat preferences and distribution, and provide an evaluation of their potential to occur in the project area.

Table 3. Federally Protected Species Potentially Occurring in Fayette County, Texas

Spec	cies	Conservation Status <sup>1</sup>		Potential to Occur in Project Area	
<b>Common Name</b>	Scientific Name	Federal	State	Habitat	Species
BIRDS					
Attwater's Prairie- chicken	Tympanuchus cupido attwateri	Е	Е	None	None
Bald Eagle	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	BGEPA	_	None	Likely migrant, potential breeder in project vicinity
Eastern Black Rail	Laterallus jamaicensis	T	T	None	Unlikely migrant
Piping Plover	Charadrius melodus	T	T	None	Unlikely migrant
Rufa Red Knot	Calidris canutus rufa	T	T	None	Unlikely migrant
Whooping Crane	Grus americana	Е	Е	None	Unlikely migrant
MOLLUSKS					
False Spike	Fusconaia mitchelli	PE	T	None	None
Guadalupe Orb	Cyclonaias necki	PE	T	None	None
Texas Fawnsfoot	Truncilla macrodon	PT	T	None	None
Texas Pimpleback	Quadrula petrina	PE	T	None	None
INSECTS					
Monarch Butterfly	Danaus plexippus	С		Migratory habitat present	Likely
PLANTS					
Navasota Ladies'-tresses	Sprianthes parksii	Е	Е	Low quality habitat	Unlikely

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>E = Endangered; T = Threatened; PE = Proposed Endangered; PT = Proposed Threatened; C = Candidate for listing as threatened or endangered; BGEPA = Protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act Sources: USFWS 2021a, 2021b and TPWD 2021a.

#### **4.2.1** Birds

#### Attwater's Prairie-chicken (Endangered)

The southernmost subspecies of the greater prairie-chicken, Attwater's prairie-chicken (*Tympanuchus cupido attwateri*) was federally listed as endangered in 1967. Its historic range extended from southwest Louisiana to possibly near Brownsville, Texas; however, the subspecies currently occurs in the wild at only three locations: the Attwater Prairie-Chicken National Wildlife Refuge in Colorado County, Texas; the Texas City Prairie Preserve in Galveston County, Texas; and at a private ranch in Goliad County, Texas (USFWS 2010). Preferred habitat includes coastal prairie described as well-drained grassland that supports some weeds or shrubs as well as grasses, with cover varying from light to heavy in density. Both diversification within the grassland type and presence of available surface water in the summer are essential (USFWS 2010).

The project area is outside the current range of Attwater's prairie-chicken and there are no records of the species from the project area or immediate vicinity (TXNDD 2021, eBird 2021, iNaturalist 2021). Field survey of the project area did not identify suitable habitat for Attwater's prairie-chicken and the species does not occur within the project area or vicinity. The proposed project activities will have no impact on the species.

#### Bald Eagle (protected under BGEPA)

The bald eagle is the second largest bird of prey in North America, with a wingspan of 5.5 to 8 feet. In adult plumage, the species exhibits a distinguishable white head and tail with dark brown body and wings, a yellow hooked beak, and yellow feet. In 2007, the USFWS removed the bald eagle from the list of endangered and threatened wildlife (72 FR 37346), and TPWD recently removed the species from the state list of threatened species (45 Texas Register 2188, effective March 30, 2020). However, the species receives federal protection under provisions of the BGEPA, as previously discussed.

The bald eagle is a widespread migratory species, ranging over much of the U.S. and Canada. Primarily foraging on fish and occasionally waterfowl and other prey, including carrion, bald eagles prefer habitats associated with large bodies of water where prey is readily available (USFWS 1989). In Texas, the bald eagle is present year-round and may be found during breeding and wintering seasons as well as during migration. It is a rare summer resident, primarily in the eastern third of the state, but is found more widely throughout most of the state during migration and winter (Oberholser 1974, Lockwood and Freeman 2014). In the winter, bald eagles are locally common only on large reservoirs in the eastern third of Texas (Lockwood and Freeman 2014). Breeding populations generally occur in the eastern half of the state along the Gulf Coast and on major inland lakes and reservoirs, while nonbreeding birds (i.e., migrants and winter residents) can occur throughout the state (USFWS 1993, Campbell 2003).

Migrating eagles generally arrive in Texas between September and October, with nesting typically occurring from October through June (USFWS 1993, Campbell 2003). Nesting sites often include tall trees or cliffs located along river systems or within one to two miles of some other large body of water (e.g., reservoirs) where they forage. In these areas, nests are often located on ecotones in areas where forest, marsh, and water converge. Mature trees taller than the surrounding forest (approximately 40 to 120 feet tall) that provide an unobstructed flight path are typically used for nesting and roosting. Common nest tree species in Texas include loblolly pine, bald cypress (*Taxodium distichum*), oaks, eastern cottonwood

(*Populus deltoides*), and American sycamore (*Platanus occidentalis*). Mating bald eagle pairs exhibit high site fidelity to nesting territories and often rebuild in the same location or vicinity of a fallen nest (USFWS 2007).

No bald eagle nests occur in the project area; however, one bald eagle nest is located approximately 1.75 miles south of the dam on Fayette County Reservoir (Barron 2021). A query of TXNDD reported a bald eagle territory in the vicinity of the project, generally centered on Fayette County Reservoir and including the project area (TXNDD 2021) (**Figure 4**). A query of eBird (2021) and iNaturalist (2021) reported no observations of bald eagles within one mile of the project area, although a number of sightings have been reported from the north side of Fayette County Reservoir approximately three miles north of the project area. No bald eagle nests were observed in the project area during field surveys by B&A on November 23, 2021. While bald eagles may occur in proximity to the project area, the proposed activities are not expected to adversely affect the species.

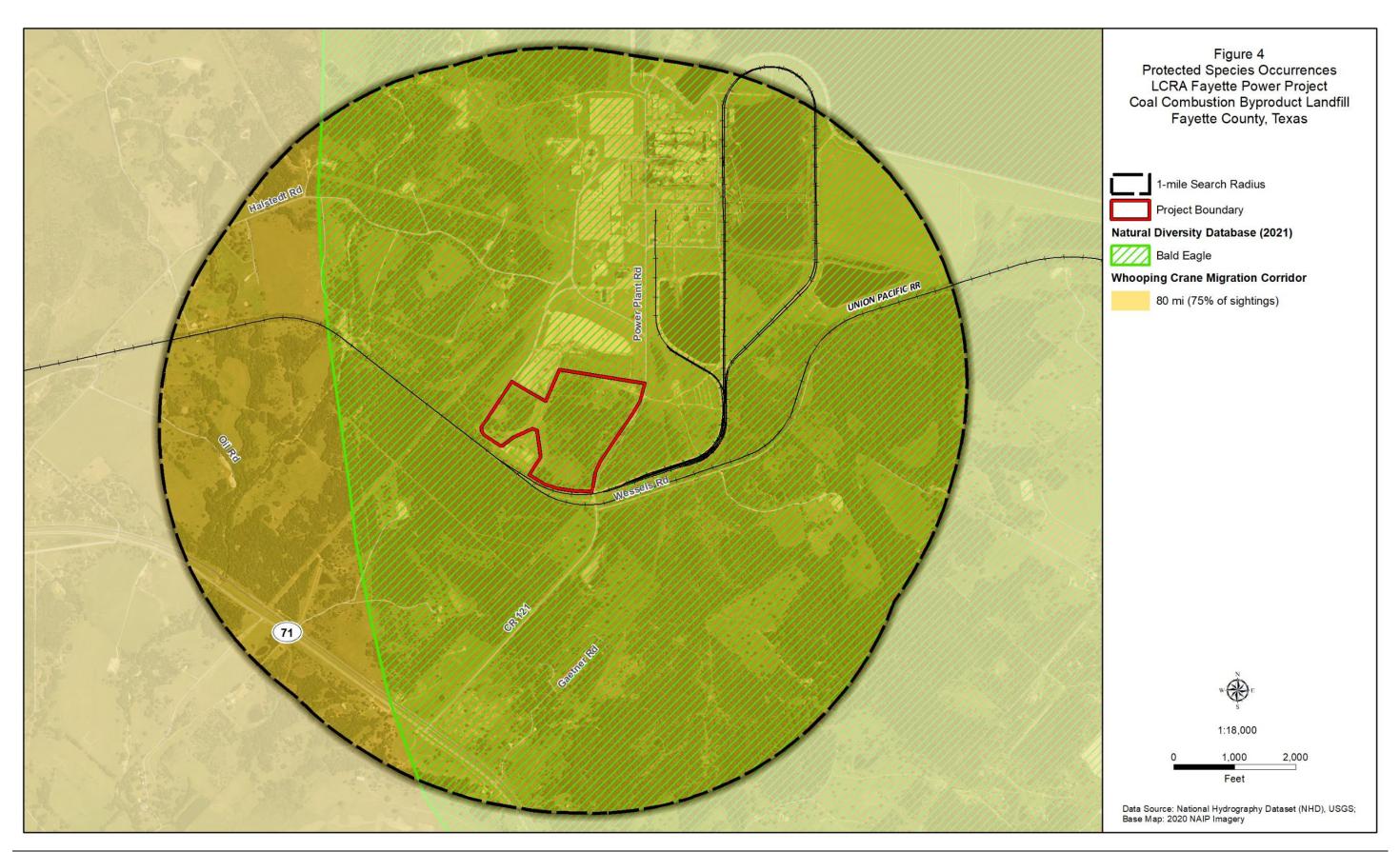
#### Eastern Black Rail (Threatened)

The eastern black rail (*Laterallus jamaicensis jamaicensis*) was listed by USFWS as threatened in 2020 (85 FR 63764). It is a slight rail between five and six inches tall that is very secretive and rarely observed. The subspecies generally occurs in salt, brackish, and freshwater marshes, on pond borders, and in wet meadows and grassy swamps (TPWD 2021a; Eddleman et al. 1994). The rail nests in high portions of salt marshes, shallow freshwater marshes, wet meadows, and flooded grassy vegetation, nesting in or along the edge of marshes, sometimes on damp ground, but usually on a mat of the previous year's dead grasses and often hidden in marsh grass or at the base of pickleweed (*Salicornia* spp.) plants (TPWD 2021a, Eddleman et al. 1994). In Texas, the species is a rare migrant in the eastern third of the state, east of the Balcones Escarpment, and a rare to locally uncommon resident on the upper and central coasts of Texas, where it has been documented breeding (Lockwood and Freeman 2014, Eddleman et al. 1994). Inland migrants in the state have been detected in the fall from early August through early October, with winter residents arriving by the end of this period, and spring migrants found inland from early April through early May (Lockwood and Freeman 2014). The species migrates at night, though little is known of its migratory behavior or stopover habitat because it is rarely detected (Lockwood and Freeman 2014, Eddleman et al. 1994).

The USFWS (2021a, 2021b) does not list the eastern black rail as potentially occurring in Fayette County; however, TPWD (2021a) includes the species on its county list. Occurrence of the subspecies within or in proximity to the project area has not been recorded (TXNDD 2021, eBird 2021, iNaturalist 2021). No habitat for the eastern black rail occurs in the project area and the proposed project activities are not anticipated to adversely impact the species.

#### Piping Plover (Threatened)

A small but stocky migratory shorebird of approximately seven inches in length with a wingspan of nearly 15 inches, the piping plover (*Charadrius melodus*) is one of several plovers marked with a single black neck band (Campbell 2003, USFWS 2021e). Distinguishing features include its combination of short and stout bill, pale upperparts, and orange legs in all seasons. The piping plover is a federally threatened migratory bird species that breeds in the northern Great Plains of the U.S. and Canada, along beaches of the Great Lakes, and along the Atlantic coastline from North Carolina to Newfoundland (Haig and Oring 1987, USFWS 2021e). It was listed as threatened in this portion of its range on December 11, 1985 (50 FR 50726).



Piping plovers spend three to four months of the year on their breeding grounds in the northern U.S. and Canada and the remainder of the year on their wintering grounds. One of their primary wintering areas is the Texas coast, where it is estimated that more than 35 percent of the known piping plover population overwinters (Campbell 2003). These plovers arrive in Texas between late July and late October and depart for their breeding grounds between early March and mid-May (Oberholser 1974). Little is known of the migration routes of the piping plover since the species is not often observed at inland locations during migration, but in Texas most individuals appear to pass east of the Balcones Escarpment (Lockwood and Freeman 2014). Primary habitats used during migration include beaches and alkali flats, which are preferred, although reservoir shorelines, natural lakes, rivers, marshes, industrial ponds, and fish farms have all been documented to be used, with substrate type predominantly mudflat (Elliott-Smith and Haig 2004).

No occurrences of piping plover are recorded within or immediately adjacent to the project area (TXNDD 2021, eBird 2021, iNaturalist 2021). The nearest records of occurrence are approximately 13 miles to the northeast at Lake Somerville State Park (eBird 2021). No habitat for the piping plover occurs in the project area and the project is not expected to impact the species.

#### Rufa Red Knot (Threatened)

The rufa red knot (*Caladris canutus rufa*) is a federally threatened sandpiper species known for its long migrations, breeding in the central Canadian Arctic and wintering along the Atlantic coasts of Argentina and Chile, the north coast of Brazil, the northwest Gulf of Mexico (particularly at Laguna Madre), and the southeast United States (USFWS 2013, 2014). The species was listed as threatened on January 12, 2015 (79 FR 73705). Red knots are principally marine shorebirds in the non-breeding season, feeding on polychaete worms, small crabs, and marine mollusks (Baker et al. 2013). In appearance, the species is a bulky, medium-sized shorebird about 9 to 11 inches in length with a wingspan of approximately 20 inches, noted by its rusty-red in color with reddish head and breast and darker upper parts exhibiting feathers with dark brown-black centers and rufous and grey edges in breeding plumage (USFWS 2011, 2013). In Texas, the species is very rarely detected inland and is a rare migrant through the eastern half of the state, with inland migrants more commonly detected in the fall (Lockwood and Freeman 2014). Inland habitats used in migration include beach habitats, such as saline lakeshores, as well as sandflats and mudflats with high densities of benthic bivalves (Baker et al. 2013).

No sightings of the red knot have been reported from the project area or immediate vicinity (TXNDD 2021, eBird 2021, iNaturalist 2021). The nearest recorded occurrences are to the northwest near Austin, Texas, at Hornsby Bend Bird Observatory approximately 60 miles away (eBird 2021). No habitat for the red knot occurs in the project area and the proposed project is not expected to impact the species.

#### Whooping Crane (Endangered)

The endangered whooping crane (*Grus americana*) is North America's tallest bird, with a standing height of five feet or more (Urbanek and Lewis 2020). The species was listed on March 11, 1967 (32 FR 4001) with critical habitat later designated (43 FR 20938). Although four geographically distinct populations of whooping cranes exist in the wild, the Aransas-Wood Buffalo Population (AWBP) is the largest and the only natural, self-sustaining population. The AWBP breeds in isolated marshy areas of Wood Buffalo National Park in Canada's Northwest Territories and overwinters on the Texas coast. Each fall, the entire population of whooping cranes migrates approximately 2,600 miles from this national park in northern

Canada to the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) and adjacent areas of the Texas mid coast in Aransas, Calhoun, and Refugio counties, where the species overwinters in oak savannahs, salt marshes, and bays (Campbell 2003, Canadian Wildlife Service [CWS] and USFWS 2007, USFWS 2009a).

During migration, the AWBP of whooping cranes generally follow the same flight path, with the normal migration corridor in Texas stretching from the eastern edge of the panhandle eastward to the east-central portion of the state, with most migrants crossing over Central Texas. Travel during migration is typically during daylight hours in groups of one to five birds, using thermals and wind currents at high altitudes (1,000 to 6,000 feet) to travel extended distances (200 to 400 miles per day) with minimal effort at speeds up to 30 miles per hour. Inclement conditions, such as shifting wind direction and the loss of thermal currents later in the day, demand excessive energy expenditure and cause whooping cranes to seek stopover habitat for roosting and foraging. The majority of the whooping crane migration stopover sites are located in the central part of the U.S., along significant wetland complexes and riverine habitats, with sporadic stopover sites in Central Texas (CWS and USFWS 2007). In migration, whooping cranes are known to utilize a variety of habitat types, including freshwater marshes, wet prairies, inland lakes, small farm ponds, upland grain fields, and riverine systems. Shallow flooded freshwater wetlands are used for roosting, while croplands and emergent wetlands are used for feeding. Riverine habitats, such as submerged sandbars, are also often used for roosting. Most roost sites are within 0.6 mile of a suitable feeding area and are typically distanced from human development. Low elevation flight is common during travel between roosting and foraging habitats, during inclement conditions, and when taking off and landing at stopover sites. Each whooping crane makes approximately 7 to 9 stopovers in the U.S. during each migration (Armbruster 1990, CWS and USFWS 2007, Howe 1987, Howe 1989, Lingle et al. 1991).

In relation to the typical AWBP migration corridor (Tacha et al. 2010), the project area is located near the center of the corridor (**Figure 4**), suggesting that potential exists for whooping cranes to migrate through the project area. There are no records of whooping cranes from the project area or immediate vicinity (TXNDD 2021, eBird 2021, iNaturalist 2021). The nearest sighting is approximately 20 miles to the southwest in Muldoon, Texas (eBird 2021).

B&A performed a whooping crane habitat assessment to identify potential whooping crane migration stopover habitat within one mile of the project area. Potential migration stopover habitat was calculated using the methodology outlined in the Watershed Institute (2013). Based on the results of B&A's habitat assessment, there are no water features within one mile of the project area that are considered potential migration stopover habitat. Due to the lack of migration stopover sites in the project area and vicinity, the project is not expected to adversely impact whooping cranes.

#### 4.2.2 Mollusks

#### False Spike (Proposed Endangered)

The false spike (*Fusconaia mitchelli*) is a medium-sized freshwater mussel that was proposed for federal listing as endangered with critical habitat on August 26, 2021 (86 FR 47916). Its shell is tawny-brown to dark brown or black, oval to round in shape, and up to 5.2 inches in length (Howells 2014, NatureServe 2021). Its historical range included the Brazos, Colorado, and Guadalupe river systems in Central Texas, and the Rio Grande system in New Mexico, Texas, and Mexico (Howells 2014, 74 FR

66260). Currently the false spike occurs in four populations: the Little Brazos River and some tributaries (Brazos River Basin), the lower San Saba and Llano Rivers (Colorado Basin), and in the lower Guadalupe River (Guadalupe River Basin) (86 FR 47916). Suitable habitat includes larger creeks and rivers, often in sand, gravel, or cobble substrates, in slow to moderate flows at shallow depths and not within impoundments (Howells 2014). The life history of most mussels in Texas is poorly understood, and the glochidial host fish for the false spike is unknown (74 FR 66260).

The project area is outside of the recognized range for the false spike, and recorded occurrence does not exist for the project area or immediate vicinity (USFWS 2021b, TXNDD 2021, iNaturalist 2021). Erosion/sedimentation control measures will be implemented prior to construction to minimize adverse impacts to receiving waters from erosion and sedimentation. Based on the known range information for the species and lack of suitable habitat in the project area, the false spike does not occur in the project area and the project is not expected to adversely affect the species.

#### Guadalupe Orb (Proposed Endangered)

Recently recognized in 2018 as a separate species from the Texas pimpleback (*Cyclonaias [Quadrula] petrina*), the Guadalupe orb was first identified from the San Marcos River in the San Antonio/Guadalupe River Basin, to which the species is believed endemic (Burlakova et al. 2018, NatureServe 2021). This freshwater mussel species was proposed for federal listing as endangered with critical habitat on August 26, 2021 (86 FR 47916). The Guadalupe orb exhibits a yellow to tan, brown to black, and sometimes with green rays or concentric blotches, subquadrate to suboval shell that is moderately inflated and relatively thin, reaching a length of approximately 2.5 inches (Burlakova et al. 2018). In the San Marcos River, the species has been observed in flowing water with a sand and gravel substrate, mostly in water less than 6.6 feet deep (Burlakova et al. 2018, NatureServe 2021).

The project area is outside of the recognized range for the Guadalupe orb and records for the species do not exist for the project area or immediate vicinity (USFWS 2021b, TXNDD 2021, iNaturalist 2021). Erosion/sedimentation control measures will be implemented prior to construction to minimize adverse impacts to receiving waters from erosion and sedimentation. Based on the known range information for the species and lack of suitable habitat in the project area, the Guadalupe orb does not occur in the project area. Construction of the proposed project is not expected to adversely affect the Guadalupe orb.

#### Texas Fawnsfoot (Proposed Threatened)

The Texas fawnsfoot (*Truncilla macrodon*) is a small, relatively thin-shelled mussel that can reach 2.4 inches in length but is usually much smaller. It is proposed for federal listing as threatened with critical habitat (86 FR 47916). Its shell is oval to elliptical with coloration that varies from tan to brown to green (Howells 2014, USFWS 2015). The Texas fawnsfoot is a very rare, freshwater mussel species endemic to Central Texas that historically inhabited the Colorado and Brazos drainages, with little known about its habitat (Howells 2014, USFWS 2015). Currently it is known from seven populations: East Fork Trinity River, Middle Trinity River, Clear Fork Brazos River, Upper Brazos River, Middle/Lower Brazos River, San Saba/Colorado Rivers, and Lower Colorado River (86 FR 47916). Preferred habitat includes moderate-sized creeks and rivers in flowing water with substrates of mud, sand, and gravel (Howells 2014).

Recorded occurrence of the species does not exist for the project area or immediate vicinity (TXNDD 2021, iNaturalist 2021). The nearest recorded occurrence is from the Colorado River south of La Grange, Texas, approximately seven miles west of the project area, where live individuals were not observed but shells ranging from recently dead to subfossil were found (TXNDD 2021). Field reconnaissance of the project area revealed no suitable habitat for Texas fawnsfoot. The Colorado River, two to three miles south/southwest of the project area, is the only large perennial stream in the vicinity that could provide suitable habitat for the species. Erosion/sedimentation control measures will be implemented prior to construction to minimize adverse impacts to receiving waters from erosion and sedimentation. Construction of the proposed project should have no impact on the Texas fawnsfoot.

#### Texas Pimpleback (Proposed Endangered)

The Texas pimpleback (*Quadrula petrina*) is proposed for federal listing as endangered with critical habitat (86 FR 47916). An endemic species to the state, the Texas pimpleback historically occurred across the Colorado River basin. It currently is known to occur in five isolated populations: Concho River, Upper San Saba River, Lower San Saba river/Colorado River, Llano River, and the Lower Colorado River (86 FR 47916). Only the Lower San Saba and Llano River populations are known to be successfully reproducing (86 FR 47916). The shell of the species is approximately four inches long and is yellow to tan, brown to black, and sometimes with green rays or concentric blotches (Howells 2014). The species inhabits moderate to larger creeks and rivers in flowing waters and mud, sand, or gravel bottoms, or sometimes in gravel-filled cracks in bedrock, often at depths less than 6.6 feet, but is not known to occur in impoundments (Howells 2014). The life history of most mussels in Texas is poorly understood, and the glochidial host fish for the Texas pimpleback is unknown but is probably catfish (Howells 2014, 74 FR 66260).

Recorded occurrence of the species does not exist for the project area or immediate vicinity (TXNDD 2021, iNaturalist 2021). The nearest recorded occurrence is from the Colorado River south of La Grange, Texas, approximately seven miles west of the project area, where live individuals were not observed but shells ranging from recently dead to subfossil were found (TXNDD 2021). Field reconnaissance of the project area revealed no suitable habitat for the Texas pimpleback. The Colorado River, two to three miles south/southwest of the project area, is the only large perennial stream in the vicinity that could provide suitable habitat for the species. Erosion/sedimentation control measures will be implemented prior to construction to minimize adverse impacts to receiving waters from erosion and sedimentation. Construction of the proposed project should have no impact on the Texas pimpleback.

#### **4.2.3 Insects**

#### Monarch Butterfly (Candidate)

The monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*), a member of the family Nymphalidae, is a charismatic North American species known for its bright orange wings with a black border and black veins (USFWS 2021b). Adult monarchs lay eggs on their obligate milkweed host plant (primarily *Asclepias* spp.), which their larvae rely on as a food source during development (USFWS 2021b, iNaturalist 2021). The monarch life cycle varies by geographic location, but in many regions where monarchs are present, monarchs breed year-round (USFWS 2020). Monarchs migrate through Texas in the fall and spring and are generally observed in a wide variety of habitats (iNaturalist 2021). Adult monarch butterflies require a diversity of blooming nectar

resources, which they feed on throughout migration and during the breeding season. They also need milkweed (for both oviposition and larval feeding) embedded within this diverse nectaring habitat (USFWS 2020).

The project area provides potentially suitable habitat for the monarch butterfly. A search of the iNaturalist website identified one monarch observation approximately 1.7 miles southeast of the project area (iNaturalist 2021). Currently the monarch is a candidate for federal listing and is not provided protection under ESA; however, the USFWS encourages cooperative conservation measures since candidate species may warrant future protection under the ESA.

#### **4.2.4** Plants

#### Navasota ladies'-tresses (Endangered)

Approximately 15 species of ladies'-tresses (genus *Spiranthes*), members of the orchid family Orchidaceae, occur in Texas and flower during the spring or fall. Each of these species is perennial, but relatively inconspicuous on the landscape, occurring as a basal rosette prior to flowering and then reducing to a single flowering scape, reaching a height of 8 to 15 inches. NLT, an endemic federally endangered species, has a historic range that includes a 13-county area of east-central Texas within the Post Oak Savannah Vegetational Area, as described by Gould et al. (1960). NLT typically flowers from mid-October to mid-November, and vegetative growth (the rosette stage) appears in springtime but may appear anytime between September and May (USFWS 1984, Wonkka et al. 2012). Individual plants do not flower every year, and the flowering population fluctuates from year to year (Ariza 2013). Flowering response is likely correlated with available moisture during the vegetative phase (described above) and the period just prior to flowering (August–September) (Parker 2001, Wilson 2002, Hammons 2008, Ariza 2013).

NLT is a niche specialist that occupies openings in post oak woodland and savannah with grassland patches in sand to sandy loams, often along the streambanks of upland drainages or intermittent streams and in areas with suitable hydrologic factors, such as a perched water table associated with an underlying claypan (Wonkka et al. 2012, TPWD 2021a). According to USFWS (2009b), NLT is often found along the naturally eroded slopes of the upper reaches of drainages and ephemeral streams, or occasionally near the margins of seeps and swales. Ariza (2013) describes habitat for the species as a distinctive niche along the upper reaches of drainages between the floodplain and open grasslands within the post oak savannah, with the species occurring in naturally disturbed areas of small openings within 80 meters (262 feet) of drainages. Hammons et al. (2009) describes habitat as usually within 600 feet of ephemeral and intermittent drainages. Based on documented population locations, proximity to streams appears important but may exceed these thresholds seemingly when edaphic requirements are met (i.e., high moisture availability).

As an edaphic endemic, suitable soils for NLT are characterized as well-drained, sand to sandy loam surface soils that often have a shallow underlying claypan that is thought to create sufficient subsurface hydrology to support NLT (USFWS 1984, 2009b, Hammons 2008, Ariza 2013, TPWD 2021a). Vegetative associates include little bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*), splitbeard bluestem, broomsedge bluestem, pinkscale blazing star (*Liatris elegans*), nodding ladies'-tresses, and sundews (*Drosera* spp.) in the herbaceous

stratum. Commonly associated trees and shrubs include post oak, blackjack oak, yaupon, farkleberry, and American beautyberry (*Callicarpa americana*) (USFWS 2009b).

Appropriate microsite conditions for the species are associated with soil moisture requirements and typically include a perched water table, commonly caused by the subsurface claypan typical of post oak savannah soils, as previously discussed (TPWD 2021a, TPWD 2021b, Wonkka et al. 2012). Adequate light availability, such as that provided by canopy gaps in otherwise closed-canopy, forested habitat is also required, and NLT has been found to typically occur where canopy cover is greater than 40 percent (Wonkka et al. 2012, Ariza 2013). Optimal microhabitat is characterized by small natural clearings within woodlands or at their margins along the dripline, followed by the margins of wildlife trails and upper watershed stream banks, where the aforementioned edaphic criteria are met (Wonkka et al. 2012). USFWS (1984) typifies the species' habitat as a late-successional niche within established woodlands; however, occurrence along fencerows and rights-of-way within post oak woodlands and savannahs has also been reported, suggesting the importance of either periodic disturbance or high light availability (Wilson 2002, Wonkka et al. 2012). NLT is also known to occur in areas where edaphic factors such as high aluminum content or hydrologic factors associated with a perched water table limit competing vegetation in the herbaceous layer (Texas Organization for Endangered Species 1993).

Numerous factors limit the suitability of areas as habitat. NLT occurrence has been found to be associated low leaf litter cover (e.g., one to three leaves thick) that is uniformly distributed, and the species is unlikely where thick leaf litter is present (Hammons 2008, Ariza 2013). Further, occurrence of NLT is unlikely where dense pasture grasses (e.g., Bermudagrass and bahiagrass [*Paspalum notatum*]) or tall herbaceous vegetation are found (USFWS 2009b). Active grazing is also a deterrent to occurrence. Development of a dense woody understory replacing the herbaceous component through "thicketization" has been accredited with limiting suitability (USFWS 2009b, Ariza 2013, Wonkka et al. 2012). NLT is rarely found in floodplain forests or openings dominated by tall grasses (USFWS 1993).

Advancement in modeling potential NLT habitat within its range is presented by Wang et al. (2019). Through use of a maximum entropy (Maxent) modeling tool, they assessed the relative influence of biologically relevant topographic characteristics, land cover features, geological formations, and edaphic (i.e., soil) factors on the occurrence of NLT. In doing so, they found local-scale edaphic variables to be the most informative, with soil taxonomic units explaining the highest amount of variance. Wang et al. (2019) imply that specific soil characteristics are correlated with the occurrence of symbiotic mycorrhizal fungi which NLTs are dependent. Soil taxonomic units exhibiting high predictability for presence of NLT were fine smectitic, thermic, Ultic Paleudalfs, and fine mixed, active, thermic, Udic Paleudalfs, which generally correspond to the Burlewash, Singleton, and Shiro soil series. The authors note that many areas with NLT occurrence are not mapped upon these generally associated soil series or on similar soil mapping units matching these characteristics, which they attribute to the occurrence of soil inclusions of the previously noted suitable soils in otherwise unsuitable soil mapping units.

A review of the TXNDD element of occurrence records revealed one NLT occurrence approximately five miles northeast of the project area (TXNDD 2021). Sandy loam and loamy fine sand soils occurring in the project area include the Rek and Straber soil series (**Table 2, Figure 3**). Based on review of aerial imagery,

potentially suitable NLT habitat requiring field review was identified where woodland or savannah overlay suitable soils in the project area, with the most likely areas of potential occurrence of NLT along the dripline within the project area in proximity to the existing runoff channel.

Despite preliminary identification of potentially suitable NLT habitat by remote assessment, field survey did not identify suitable habitat within the project area. Factors limiting the suitability of habitat within the project area were dense cover of tall herbaceous vegetation that extended to the dripline; dense leaf litter in adjacent woodlands/savannahs; high browsing pressure; overly dense midstory cover by yaupon in woodlands; and/or absence of typical vegetative associates. Further, despite the mapped presence of potentially suitable soils, no areas exhibiting high soil moisture availability were identified (evidenced by soil saturation, seeps, inundation, or plant assemblage present) that characterize edaphic conditions required for suitable NLT habitat.

No NLTs were found as a result of presence/absence survey. Three nodding ladies'-tresses, a vegetative associate that closely resembles NLT, were observed in the project area (**Figure 5**); however, nodding ladies'-tresses occupies a much broader habitat than NLT and is not solely indicative of potential NLT habitat. As discussed above, habitat in the project area was determined unsuitable for NLT. As such, the project is not expected to adversely affect the species.

#### 5.0 SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

B&A conducted a habitat assessment for federally protected species that could potentially occur within the project area and a presence/absence survey for NLT in November 2021. No habitat for federally listed endangered or threatened species was identified by B&A through desktop review or field reconnaissance. Several federally listed avian species may migrate through the project area, although proposed project activities are not anticipated to affect these species. The existing runoff channel identified in the project area does not provide habitat for freshwater mussels. Erosion/sedimentation control best management practices (BMPs) will be installed at all stream crossings in accordance with the project's stormwater pollution prevention plan (SWPPP) to minimize sediment and other potential pollutants from leaving the project site. The project is not expected to result in water quality degradation of project area streams and should not result in adverse impacts to freshwater mussels. Bald eagles could nest in the vicinity of the project area; however, no bald eagles, eagle nests, or potentially suitable nesting habitat were observed within the project area. If eagles are observed in the project area prior to construction, it may be prudent to conduct a winter nest survey to determine if eagles are nesting within the project area or a 600-foot buffer. Results of the NLT presence/absence surveys did not identify NLTs or potentially suitable habitat for the species within the project area.



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#### Appendix A

Representative Photographs



Photo 1. Upland savannah within project area exhibiting dense herbaceous cover



Photo 2. Dense understory dominated by eastern redcedar and yaupon within project area woodlands



**Photo 3.** Woodland edge characterized by low herbaceous cover and gravelly soil outcrops



Photo 4. Existing runoff channel in project area



Photo 5. Water feature mapped as a pond within uplands in the project area



**Photo 6.** Representative photograph of the habitat, open woodlands, where nodding ladies'-tresses SC01 and SC02 in **Figure 5** were observed in the project area during NLT presence/absence survey



Photo 7. Nodding ladies'-tresses (SC01 in Figure 5) individual documented in the project area



Photo 8. Nodding ladies'-tresses (SC02 in Figure 5) individual documented in the project area



**Photo 9.** Representative photograph of the habitat, road cut through woodlands, where nodding ladies'-tresses SC03 in **Figure 5** was observed in the project area during NLT presence/absence survey



Photo 10. Nodding ladies'-tresses (SC03 in Figure 5) individual documented in the project area