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# **Executive Summary**

The Christchurch City Council (CCC) has commissioned CH2M Beca Ltd (Beca) to conduct a further geotechnical investigation into three proposed alternative sites for the disposal of treated wastewater from Akaroa wastewater treatment plant via irrigation onto the surface or subsurface of the area(s). The purpose of the investigations was to conduct a preliminary assessment of the suitability of the three areas for irrigation of treated wastewater, and to install piezometers to measure groundwater levels in Robinsons Bay Valley and Takamatua Valley.

Area 1 is located 4.5 km north of Akaroa Township on Robinsons Bay Valley Road, and comprises farmland adjacent to several residential sections. Area 2 is located 2 km north of Akaroa Township on Takamatua Valley Road. The area also comprises farmland adjacent to residential sections. Area 3 is located on farmland on Pompeys Pillar, accessed through Fishermans Bay Road, 9.5 km south east of Akaroa Township.

Site investigations to total depths between 3 m and 6 m were carried out in September 2016 comprising four machine boreholes with piezometers and one test pit in Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley), two machine boreholes with piezometers in Area 2 (Takamatua Valley) and three infiltration test pits in Area 3 (Pompeys Pillar). In parallel Beca commissioned PDP to carry out infiltration investigations and assessment, the results of which are reported separately.

The site investigations encountered ground conditions that were broadly consistent with the published geology comprising alluvial fans in the lower reaches of the valleys and loess and loess colluvium in the upper reaches and on Pompeys Pillar. In the valleys the alluvium comprised variable interbeds of silt, sand and gravel, being encountered up to an elevation of between approximately 30 m and 60 m RL. Towards the sea the alluvium is likely to be more extensive, becoming thinner and narrower inland. Within the valleys and at higher elevations on Pompeys Pillar colluvium, loess colluvium and reworked loess are present, typically between approximately 60 m and 140 m RL. These materials are generally thicker at lower elevations, becoming thinner at higher levels.

The investigation data suggests that the depth to groundwater increases from approximately 0.5 m to 1.0 m below ground level (bgl) at lower elevations, to approximately 1.5 m bgl in Takamatua Valley and 2.5 m to 3.5 m bgl in Robinsons Bay Valley at higher elevations. Groundwater, which was not encountered in any of the exploratory holes on Pompeys Pillar, is expected to be located in the bedrock (Akaroa Volcanic Group) at some depth below ground level. Ongoing monitoring of the piezometers is recommended to confirm these preliminary levels.

The Akaroa Wastewater Upgrade Irrigation - Preliminary Geotechnical Assessment (CH2M Beca, June 2016) identified that because loess is a highly erodible and moisture sensitive soil, increasing the groundwater level will exacerbate the historical gullying and shallow erosion and may result in an increase in frequency of movement of deep seated slope movements. The areas that were selected for this subsequent assessment (Stage 2) exclude land sloping at greater than 15°, hence the slope stability issues identified in the preliminary (Stage 1) assessment, whilst still having the potential to occur, are expected to have a considerably lower likelihood of occurrence.

In the central areas of the Takamatua and Robinsons Bay valleys the risk of inducing instability in the alluvial soils underlying the valley floor is comparatively low. The exception is where silt soils locally form the banks of water courses or other slopes, which may slump when saturated. The layered silt and gravels have anisotropic hydraulic properties, with different values when measured parallel to layers and perpendicular to



layers. It is recommended that the effects of applying the treated wastewater to the land on the water quality of the existing water courses be assessed if the scheme is developed.

On the higher elevation valley slopes and on Pompeys Pillar the risk of instability is greater than on the valley floor. Whilst this is mitigated to a degree by selecting slopes inclined at less than 15 ° some erosion and movement of these higher slopes, including the top of the cliffs and above locally steep gullies can be expected.

Surficial creep and erosion can be partially mitigated by establishing trees over the irrigation areas, as the tree roots mechanically stabilise the near surface soils and abstract water from the ground which, in silt soils, induces a suction in the pore water between the soil particles, increasing the effective strength of the soil.



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# 1 Introduction

#### 1.1 Background

CH2M Beca Ltd (Beca) has been commissioned by the Christchurch City Council (CCC) to undertake geotechnical investigations at locations that are under consideration by CCC as potential sites for irrigation to land of wastewater from the Akaroa Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP).

In June 2016 Beca undertook a preliminary geotechnical assessment to inform the option of applying treated effluent to potential land areas on, and between, Takamatua headland and Takamatua valley (*Akaroa Wastewater Upgrade Irrigation - Preliminary Geotechnical Assessment Report*, June 2016). Following discussions with CCC and the Ngãi Tahu parties it was concluded that there were some risks around the effect of irrigation on the stability of already marginal slopes, noting that the effect of applying treated wastewater to land will increase the risk of instability occurring, particularly during heavy rainfall events. On this basis criteria were established for defining potentially suitable areas on the Akaroa peninsula (*Akaroa Wastewater Investigation of Alternative Sites for Land Irrigation Report*, August 2016).

The outcome from this screening was that alternative application areas should be considered as part of a Stage 2 assessment, the alternative areas being located on farmland in Takamatua valley, Robinsons Bay valley and Pompeys Pillar.

This report presents the results of preliminary geotechnical investigations to inform the option of applying treated wastewater to these three land areas. The preliminary findings will be subject to further investigation and assessment, which will be required if the study areas are selected for wastewater disposal.

## 1.2 Scope

The scope of geotechnical investigation carried out is as follows:-

- Takamatua Valley observe the excavation of, and log the soils from two boreholes, including recording groundwater level (if encountered)
- Robinsons Valley observe the excavation of, and log the soils from four boreholes and one test pit, including recording groundwater level (if encountered)
- Pompeys Pillar observe the excavation of, and log the soils from three infiltration test pits, including recording groundwater level (if encountered)
- Prepare engineering logs of the soils encountered
- Develop a high level ground model for the 3 areas
- Qualitatively assess the effect of the proposed irrigation on the ground conditions, identifying major geotechnical risks
- Report on the findings of the investigations and assessment.

In parallel with the preliminary geotechnical assessment, Beca has commissioned PDP to carry out infiltration investigations and assessment, the results of which are reported separately (refer PDP Letter of October 2016 titled *Infiltration testing results for Akaroa treated wastewater disposal via irrigation* – *Robinsons Bay and Pompeys Pillar*).

## 1.3 Proposed Development

CCC is considering the option of land disposal as a method of discharging treated wastewater from the Akaroa wastewater treatment plant. Based on the Stage 1 work the indicative total proposed discharge area



will need to be approximately 25 to 30 hectares, depending on whether irrigation is to trees or pasture. The screening, which considered aspects of land stability, minimum land parcel size, erosion zones and setback distances from residential properties, streams and the coastline, identified areas in Robinsons Bay valley (Area 1), the Takamatua valley (Area 2) and on Pompeys Pillar (Area 3). The areas considered are identified in the Beca report *Akaroa Wastewater Investigation of Alternative Sites for Land Irrigation* (August 2016) and Figure 1.

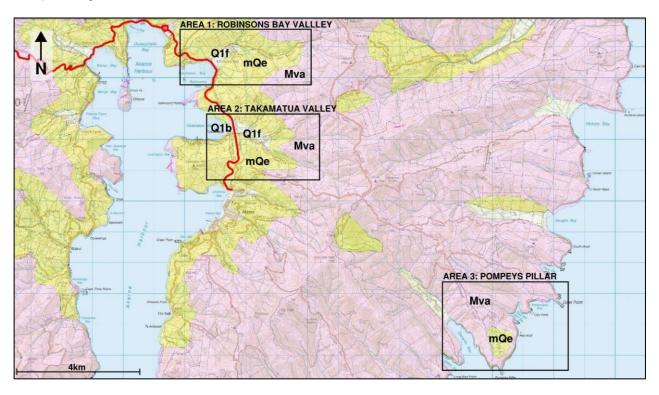


Figure 1. Site Locations and Geology

The currently proposed irrigation will be carried out by either drip irrigation or spray irrigation with a maximum average loading rate of 7.1 mm per day for irrigation to pasture or 5 mm per day beneath trees, over the 27 hectares. The design land application rates being considered for land irrigation under trees (refer *Akaroa Wastewater – Concept Design Report for Alternatives to Harbour Outfall*, Beca, May 2016) are:

- Loading rate of 5 mm/day in summer (December to February)
- Loading rate of 1.5 mm/day in winter (June to August)
- Loading rate of 3 mm/day for remainder of the year
- Constraints when rainfall exceeds 50 mm/day or averages more than 50 mm/day over a number of days (the maximum is 5 days for the rainfall data available).

If the allowable irrigation is less than wastewater flows or cannot occur due to high rainfall or other constraints (such as high groundwater), the treated wastewater will be stored in a storage basin and irrigated when there is sufficient capacity in the land.



# 2 Area Description

#### 2.1 Location

For the purposes of this report the areas have been divided as follows:-

- Area 1 is located on farmland on Robinsons Bay Valley Road. The total irrigable area is 55.6 Ha. The farmland comprises flat and sloping land. There are several residential sections adjacent to the proposed area; a 5 m buffer separates these properties from the potential irrigated area. This area is located 4.5 km north of Akaroa Township, and ranges in elevation from 1 m to 160 m above mean sea level.
- Area 2 is located at Takamatua Valley Road, on farmland adjacent to several residential sections. The total irrigable area, allowing for 5 m buffer zone as above, is 49.7 Ha. The area is located 2 km north of Akaroa Township, and has elevation 1 m to 60 m above mean sea level.
- Area 3 is located on farmland on Pompeys Pillar, accessed via Fishermans Bay Road. The total irrigable area is 100.1 Ha. The area is located 9.5 km to the southeast of Akaroa Township and ranges in elevation from 100 m to 240 m above mean seal level.

For spray irrigation the buffer zone is 25 m, with a correspondingly greater land requirement.

#### 2.2 Area Geology

The published geological map (Forsyth *et. al.*, 2008) shows that Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley) is underlain by a Quaternary Alluvial Fan (Q1) in the lower reaches of the valley and by loess (Q2-Q13) in the upper reaches. These units are underlain by the Akaroa Volcanic Group (Miocene – 8 to 9 million years old [Ma]). The geological descriptions given for these units are:

- Alluvial fan (Q1f): grey to brown, generally unweathered, silty subangular gravel and sand with minor peat in alluvial fans
- Loess (mQe): yellow-brown windblown silt deposits, locally with sand or clay, >3 m thick and commonly in multiple layers; thicker downslope
- Akaroa Volcanic Group (Mva): Basaltic to trachytic lava flows intercalated with tuff, pyroclastic breccia and agglomerate.

Area 2 (Takamatua Valley) is located in a valley similar to Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley) and similarly has loess in the upper section of the site and a young alluvial fan in the lower section. Additionally, along the shoreline a young (Q1b) beach deposit described as "unweathered sand in bay head beach deposits" is identified.

Area 3 (Pompeys Pillar) is understood to be underlain by the Akaroa Miocene Volcanic Group, overlain by Loess.



# 3 Scope of Investigation

## 3.1 Field Investigations

The geotechnical investigations at Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley) comprised:

- Four machine boreholes (BH1, BH2, BH3, BH4);
- Installation of four piezometers in the boreholes;
- One test pit to 3.6 m depth (TP5).

The geotechnical investigations Area 2 (Takamatua Valley) comprised:

- Two Machine Boreholes (BH5, BH6);
- Installation of two piezometers in these boreholes.

The geotechnical investigations at Area 3 (Pompeys Pillar) comprised:

Three infiltration test pits

The exploratory borehole and test pit locations are shown on the figures in Appendix A.

The site investigation commenced on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2016 and was completed on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2016. The geotechnical site investigations were observed by a Beca Engineering Geologist. Unless otherwise stated, all soil and rock logging has been undertaken by a Beca Engineering Geologist in general accordance with New Zealand Geotechnical Society Guidelines (NZGS, 2005). All logs have been verified by a Beca Senior Engineering Geologist.

#### 3.2 Machine Boreholes

Machine boreholes were drilled by McMillan Drilling Ltd using a sonic drill rig. A summary of all machine boreholes undertaken is given in Table 1.

Table 1: Summary of Boreholes Drilled.

BH No.	Area	Easting	Northing	R.L. ground (m)	Total Depth (m)	Installation Details
BH1	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154486	1596918	1.3	6.08	Standpipe Piezometer
BH2	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154754	1597254	12.5	6.08	Standpipe Piezometer
ВН3	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154950	1597711	30.7	6.08	Standpipe Piezometer
BH4	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154945	1597709	30.7	3.04	Standpipe Piezometer
BH5	Area 2 (Takamatua Valley)	5152227	1597794	9	4.56	Standpipe Piezometer
BH6	Area 2 (Takamatua Valley)	5151907	1598527	34.4	4.56	Standpipe Piezometer



All core samples were logged on site by a Beca Engineering Geologist. Machine borehole logs and core photographs are presented in Appendix B. After the core samples had been logged, they were placed in labelled core boxes before being stored at the Beca storage facility. Upon completion, all boreholes not requiring installations were backfilled with bentonite and cement.

#### 3.3 Instrumentation

#### 3.3.1 Standpipe Piezometers

Standpipe piezometers were installed in all six of the machine boreholes in order to measure groundwater levels. Appendix C provides as-built record of the standpipe piezometers constructed at each location. A summary of the piezometer installations is provided in Table 2.

Table 2: Summary of Standpipe Piezometer Installations.

Borehole/ Piezometer	Piezometer Type	Response zone top (m bgl)	Response zone bottom (m bgl)	Final depth <sup>A</sup> (m bgl)	Response zone lithology	Cover type
BH1-P	single standpipe	3.00	6.00	5.97	Gravelly SILT	Red Stand-up Toby
BH2-P	single standpipe	1.40	4.40	4.46	Sandy GRAVEL; SILT	Red Stand-up Toby
ВН3-Р	single standpipe	3.58	6.08	5.87	Gravelly SILT; GRAVEL	Red Stand-up Toby
BH4-P <sup>B</sup>	single standpipe	1.04	3.04	-	Sandy SILT; GRAVEL	Red Stand-up Toby
BH5-P	single standpipe	0.97	4.47	4.30	Clayey SILT; GRAVEL; gravelly SILT	Flush top
ВН6-Р	single standpipe	1.00	3.00	3.71	SILT; Gravelly SILT; sandy SILT	Flush top

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup> Final depth of borehole post development, measured on installation of transducer.

The standpipe piezometer installations consist of 50 mm diameter PVC pipe with a slotted screen section located in the response zone of interest. The boreholes were backfilled with K1 sand. The boreholes were capped with bentonite from 0.8 m to 0.2 m and finished up with concrete to ground level. Lockable red Stand-up Tobys were installed in BH1-4, in the farmland. Lockable flush mounted covers were installed in BHs 5 and 6 on the road reserve. Each of the piezometers was developed by PDP using a submersible pump.

#### 3.4 Test and Infiltration Pits

McMillans Drilling Ltd were contracted to excavate infiltration pits for infiltration testing using a 1.8 tonne excavator. The pits were approximately 1.5 by 0.8 m in plan area and ranged from 0.4 to 0.55 m depth.

Alan Hemsley was contracted to excavate a single test pit for geotechnical investigation and two infiltration pits for infiltration testing using a 2.5 tonne excavator. The geotechnical test pit was approximately 1.5 by 1.0 m in plan area and had depth 3.6 m. The infiltration pits were approximately 1.5 by 1.0 m in plan area and ranged from 0.4 to 0.55 m depth.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>B</sup> Piezometer installed, but no transducer on request of PDP.

Material excavated from the test pits and infiltration pits was logged and sampled by an Engineering Geologist. The test pit logs and photographs are presented in Appendix D.

Table 3: Summary of Test Pit (TP) and Infiltration Pits (IP).

BH No.	Area	Easting	Northing	R.L. ground (m)	Total Depth (m)	Observed & Logged by
IP1 <sup>A</sup>	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154486	1596918	4.5	0.42	PDP
IP2 <sup>A</sup>	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154755	1597253	19	0.55	
IP3 <sup>A</sup>	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154953	1597711	38	0.52	
IP4 <sup>B</sup>	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154944	1597705	38	0.35	
IP5	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154726	1599198	160	0.48	Beca Engineering Geologist
TP5	Area 1 (Robinsons Bay Valley)	5154726	1599198	160	3.6	
IP8	Area 3 (Pompeys Pillar)	5146116	1605690	235	0.4	
IP9	Area 3 (Pompeys Pillar)	5145295	1606009	160	0.48	
IP10	Area 3 (Pompeys Pillar)	5145113	1606373	105	0.46	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup> Infiltration Pits were not logged as adjacent to borehole of the same number

## 3.5 Groundwater Monitoring

Solinst Leveloggers, which were installed in boreholes BH1, BH2, BH3, BH5 and BH6, were set to record groundwater levels at 15 minute intervals. The piezometers were dipped at the time of level logger installation following piezometer development, and the results are recorded in Table 4. Water levels encountered during drilling can be found in the borehole logs in Appendix B.

The results of subsequent groundwater level monitoring from the level loggers are given in the PDP report (*Infiltration testing results for Akaroa treated wastewater disposal via irrigation – Robinsons Bay and Pompeys Pillar*, November 2016).

Table 4: Groundwater Measurements in Piezometers at Time of Level Logger Installation

Borehole/ Piezometer ID	Date of measurement	Groundwater level (m bgl)	Groundwater Level <sup>A</sup> (m RL)
BH1	28/09/2016 13:30	0.70	0.6
BH2	29/09/2016 15:50	3.89	8.61
BH3	29/09/2016 14:00	2.44	28.26
BH4	29/09/2016 14:00	Dry	-
BH5	29/09/2016 13:15	0.69	8.31
BH6	28/09/2016 18:00	1.35	33.05

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup> Elevation for each borehole estimated using Environment Canterbury (ECan) 1 m contours



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>B</sup> Infiltration pit not logged as not observed

#### 3.6 Infiltration Testing

Falling head permeability tests were conducted by PDP Ltd within infiltration rings in the infiltration pits, and on the surface next to each pit (refer to PDP letter *Infiltration testing results for Akaroa treated wastewater disposal via irrigation – Robinsons Bay and Pompeys Pillar of October 2016 for the details*).

# 4 Conceptual Ground Model

### 4.1 Geological Setting

The ground conditions encountered in the investigation are broadly consistent with the published geological information either being derived from, or comprising, Quaternary alluvium and loess overlying the Akaroa Volcanic Group. The alluvium, present beneath the floors of the two valleys, has been derived from loess and the Akaroa Volcanic Group. The colluvium and loess colluvium have also been derived from the same source materials, being transported down the slopes under gravity.

Higher on the slopes the colluvium will be predominantly formed of loess soils washed off the hills and gradually accumulating towards the foot of the slopes. Lower down the slopes and across the lower valley floors is a more variable sequence of coarser sediments which were probably deposited by alluvial action when sea level was lower. These comprise interbedded silt, sand and gravel and will vary laterally as well as vertically. Although not proven in this investigation, it might be expected that towards the bottom of the alluvium, near the contact with bedrock, the sediments become more gravelly. Underlying these terrestrial sediments is the Akaroa Volcanic Group.

The investigations suggest that the alluvial silt, sand and gravel occurs up to an elevation of some 30 m to 60 m RL. Towards the sea the alluvium is likely to be more extensive, becoming thinner and narrower inland.

Within the valleys and at higher elevations on Pompeys Pillar, colluvium, loess colluvium and reworked loess are present, typically between approximately 60 m and 140 m RL. These materials are generally thicker at lower elevations, becoming thinner at higher levels. Away from the valleys on Pompeys Pillar the Akaroa Volcanic Group is overlain by loess.

The ground conditions at each of the test areas are summarised below.



## 4.2 Robinsons Bay Valley (Area 1)

Table 6 summarises the ground conditions encountered in the Robinsons Bay Valley based on information from the four boreholes and one test pit.

Table 5: Ground conditions at Robinsons Bay Valley

Unit	Approximate Depth (m)	Approximate Layer thickness (m)	Typical Description	Geological Unit
-	0	0.15	Topsoil	N/A
01	0.1	2.4	SILT, organic SILT and fibrous ORGANICS	Possible Fill / Beach Deposits
1	0.15	1.5	Sandy SILT, some to trace clay, trace gravel	Alluvium
<b>2</b> <sup>2</sup>	1.65	1.5 to 2.0	Sandy GRAVEL, trace cobbles, silt and clay	Alluvium
3	3.5	> 2.3	Sandy SILT, some to trace clay, trace gravel	Alluvium
43	5.6	> 0.5	GRAVEL, some sand, trace silt	Alluvium

Notes:

- 1. Only encountered in BH 1 (located towards the coast)
- 2. Absent in BH1 (located towards the coast) and TP5 (inland)
- 3. Absent in TP5 (inland)

The investigations indicate a broadly consistent pattern of interlayered silt and gravel / cobbles, although the consistency of this stratigraphy between the exploratory holes is likely to be more variable than that suggested.

Near surface silt, in the order of 1.5m thick, was encountered in all the exploratory holes. The silt contained supplementary gravel confirming its likely alluvial origin, although the material in TP5 may well be loess colluvium. In BH1 the silt contained organic materials and gravel, being underlain by a fibrous organic layer.

The interbedded gravel underlying the upper silt was noted in the central valley floor, being absent in TP5, higher up the valley and BH1, close to the coast. This is consistent with the geological model indicating alluvial deposition of more granular deposits at lower elevations.

It is expected that the silt at higher elevations is loess colluvium which is expected to be present above the valley floor.

Groundwater was measured at approximately 0.5m to 1.0m depth at lower elevations (BH1), becoming deeper, at approximately 2.5m to 3.5m at higher elevations. It will be important to confirm any variation in the groundwater level in the central valley area (BHs 2, 3 and 4) by the ongoing monitoring of the piezometers.



## 4.3 Takamatua Valley

Table 5 presents a summary of ground conditions encountered in the Takamatua Valley based on information from the two boreholes.

Table 6: Ground Conditions at Takamatua Valley.

Unit	Depth (m)	Layer Thickness (m)	Description	Geological Unit
-	0	0.2	Topsoil	N/A
1	0.2	2.4 (lower elevations) 3.2 (higher elevations)	SILT, some to trace clay, minor to trace sand and gravel	Alluvium
2	2.4 to 3.2	0.7 (lower elevations) 0.2 (higher elevations)	GRAVEL and COBBLES, trace of silt	Alluvium
3	3.0 to 3.4	unproven	Gravelly, sandy SILT	Alluvium

The two boreholes, which were spaced hundreds of metres apart, did indicate consistent horizons of near surface and deeper silt, with a variable horizon of gravel and cobbles. However, the soil distribution in the valley is likely to be more variable than that suggested by the two boreholes, with differing thicknesses of alluvial silt, sand and gravel at different locations. These deposits are mapped as Alluvium. There is potential for loess colluvium to be present at higher elevations.

Groundwater was measured at approximately 0.5m to 1.0m depth at lower elevations, becoming deeper, at approximately 1.5m at higher elevations. It is recommended that this should be confirmed, and any variation investigated, by the ongoing monitoring of the piezometers.

## 4.4 Pompeys Pillar

Table 4-3 presents a summary of ground conditions at Pompeys Pillar based on information from the three shallow infiltration test pits.

Table 4-3 - Ground model for Pompeys Pillar

Unit	Depth (m)	Approximate Layer thickness (m)	Description	Geological Unit
-	0	0.15 – 0.2	Topsoil	N/A
1	0.15 – 0.2	> 0.3	SILT, some to trace clay, minor to trace sand and gravel	Loess/Loess Colluvium

The ground conditions encountered in the shallow infiltration test pits were consistent, comprising loess. In the higher elevation pit (IP8) a 0.3 m thick horizon of loess colluvium was present immediately beneath the topsoil. Elsewhere there was no evidence that the loess was not *in situ*.

Groundwater was not encountered in any of the exploratory holes. This is consistent with the topographical and geological setting, with groundwater expected to be located in the bedrock (Akaroa Volcanic Group) at some depth below ground level.



## 5 Geotechnical Risks

#### 5.1 Background

The Beca June 2016 report Akaroa Wastewater Upgrade Irrigation - Preliminary Geotechnical Assessment Report, June 2016), identified geotechnical risks associated with applying treated effluent to land areas on, and between, Takamatua headland and Takamatua valley. On the more steeply sloping land the presence of existing shallow and deep seated instability was identified within the loess soils. Because loess is a highly erodible and moisture sensitive soil it was noted that increasing the groundwater level in the slope will exacerbate gullying and shallow erosion and may result in an increase in frequency of movement of the historic deep seated land instabilities at the loess/rock contact.

The study areas considered in this Stage 2 assessment have been screened to exclude land sloping at greater than 15°, as well as land with slopes below it that are greater than 15° (except Pompeys Pillar where instability is expected to primarily occur above steep cliffs and gullies, with no effect on downhill properties, etc.). Hence the issues identified in the Stage 1 assessment, whilst still having the potential to occur, are expected to have a considerably lower risk profile for the areas in this Stage 2 assessment. Additionally the ground conditions underlying the central areas of the Takamatua and Robinsons Bay valleys comprise alluvial silt and gravel. These materials are less susceptible to erosion than the loess soils and reworked loess soils. The loess and loess colluvium found at higher elevations in the valleys and on Pompeys Pillar will share some of the characteristics of the loess soils studied on the Takamatua headland.

## 5.2 Robinson's Bay Valley (Area 1) and Takamatua Valley (Area 2)

The risk of inducing instability in the alluvial soils underlying the valley floor is comparatively low. The exception is where silt soils locally form the banks of water courses or other slopes. In these instances increasing the moisture content of the soils may cause the silt to slump. Where gravel is present in the banks and slopes this risk will be significantly lower. Movement of such silt slopes would be expected to occur following periods of heavy rainfall, or during seismic activity.

The layered silt and gravel will have anisotropic permeability, with dominant groundwater flow being horizontally through the gravel. The higher flow through the gravels may generate erosion around discharge points.

The effects of applying the treated wastewater to land on the water quality of existing water courses will be a function of the time the treated wastewater takes to pass through the soils and the nature of the soils it is passing through. Assessment of water quality effects is beyond the scope of this report, but it is recommended that this is undertaken if the scheme is to be developed in this area.

On the higher elevation slopes underlain by loess and loess colluvium, the risk of instability is greater than on the valley floor. Slopes inclined at less than 15 ° have been used as one of the criteria in selecting the study areas. However the dispersive nature of the loess is likely to result in some erosion and potential instability in these higher areas. It is of note that reworked loess, such as loess colluvium, is more susceptible to erosion and instability than *in situ* loess.

Shallow surface instability can be mitigated to a degree by planting trees in irrigation areas. The tree roots provide an amount of mechanical stabilisation of the near surface soils. Additionally the trees abstract water from the ground, which in fine grained soils such as silt is expected to induce a suction in the pore water between the soil particles. This suction increases the effective strength of the soil.



## 5.3 Pompeys Pillar

The exploratory holes indicate that the area selected on Pompeys Pillar is underlain by loess, with some shallow loess colluvium at higher elevations. The preceding discussions on the behaviour of loess applies to this area. The area selected on Pompeys Pillar is generally inclined at less than 15°. However, loess deposits at the top of the cliffs and above locally steep gullies could become destabilised over time due to upgradient wastewater application.

Water flow is expected to be predominantly vertical through the loess. However locally, cemented layers or pans within the loess may lead to lateral flow above the pans. If the applied water reaches the bedrock, flow is expected to be controlled by the fractures and interconnected pore spaces within the Akaroa Volcanic Group. It would be reasonable to anticipate some flow along the bedrock surface, the water potentially issuing as a concentrated flow capable of eroding the overlying loess and/or adjacent soils.



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This report contains the data from field investigations. The field investigations have been undertaken at discrete locations and no inferences about the nature and continuity of ground conditions away from the investigation locations are made. Furthermore logs are provided presenting description of the soils and geology based on our observation of the samples recovered in the fieldwork and may not be truly representative of the actual underlying conditions.

Should you be in any doubt as to the applicability of this report and/or its recommendations for the proposed development as described herein, and/or encounter materials on site that differ from those described herein, it is essential that you discuss these issues with the authors before proceeding with any work based on this document.



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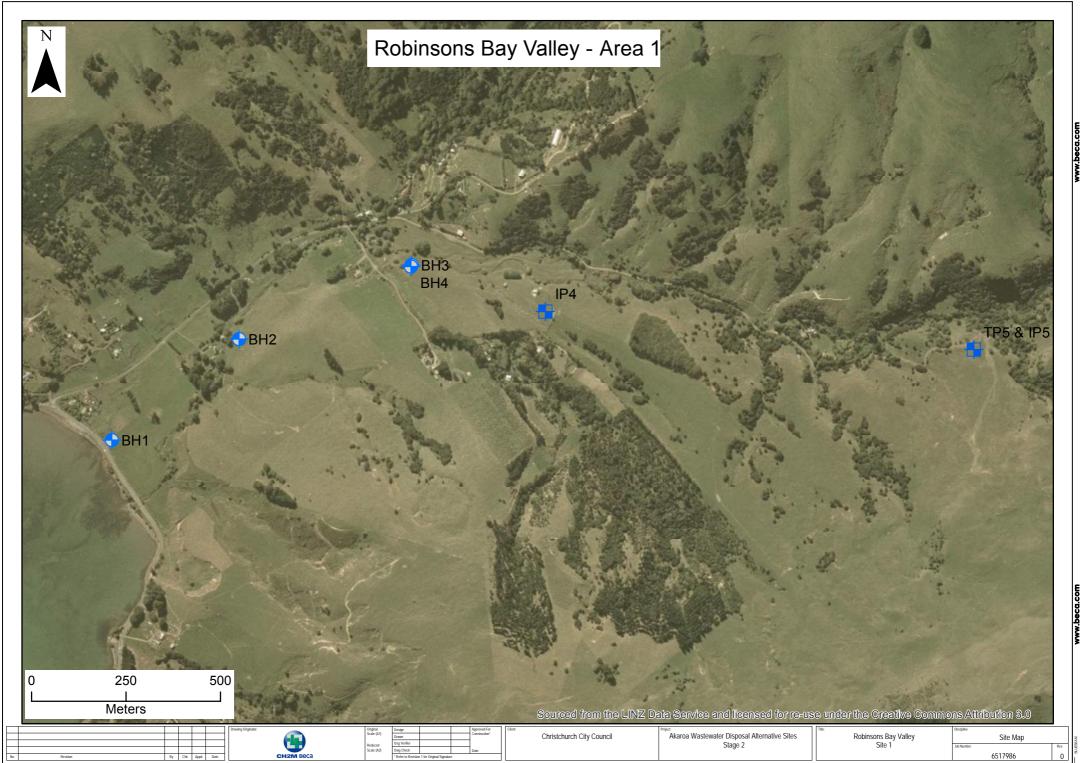
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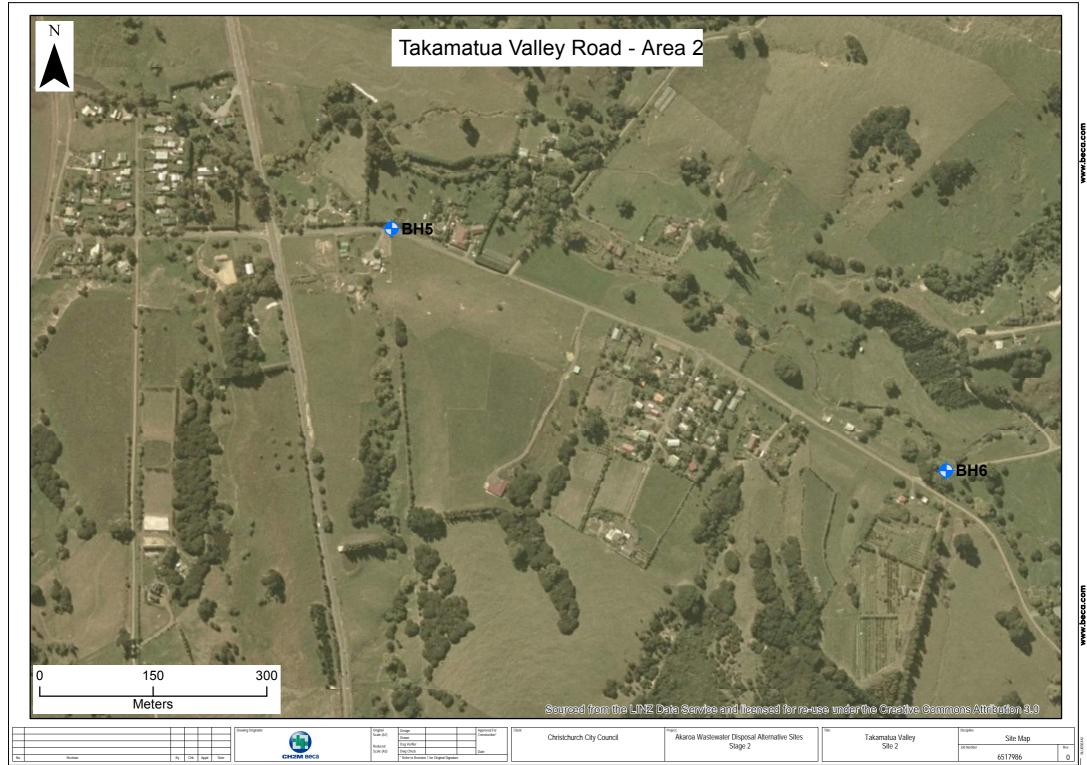
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# Appendix A

Site Plan and Locations of Investigations







Christchurch City Council Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternative Sites Stage 2 Pompeys Pillar Site 3 Site Map

# Appendix B

Borehole Logs and Core Photographs



#### **WATER**

#### **METHOD** (shows drilling method)

OB open barrel Wash wash boring TT triple tube

UT thin walled undisturbed tube

SPT standard penetration test – open nose sampler Nc standard penetration test – solid nose sampler

MA machine auger PS piston sample

PCT percussion – top drive PCB percussion – bottom drive

Conc concentrics
Sonic sonic
HA hand auger
VE vacuum excavation

#### **SAMPLES**

Dx Disturbed sample, number x Bx Bulk sample, number x

Ux(d) Undisturbed sample, number x, tube diameter d in mm

Wx Water sample, number x

#### **MOISTURE**

Dry, looks and feels dry

Moist, no free water on hand when remoulding Wet, free water on hand when remoulding

Saturated, soil below water table

#### SOIL AND ROCK DESCRIPTIONS

#### CONSISTENCY

Cohesive Soils	Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)
Very soft	<12
Soft	12 to 25
Firm	25 to 50
Stiff	50 to 100
Very stiff	100 to 200
Hard	>200

Non-cohesive Soils	SPT – Uncorrected
Very loose	0 to 4
Loose	4 to 10
Medium dense	10 to 30
Dense	30 to 50

Soil and Rock Descriptions are generally as described in the NZ Geotechnical Society "Field Description of Soil and Rock – Guideline for the Field Classification and Description of Soil and Rock for Engineering

Vane Shear Strength measurements in accordance with the NZ Geotechnical Society "Guideline for hand held shear vane test" dated

penetration

Atterberg limits

Particle size

Consolidation

Compaction

In situ shear strength and remoulded shear

Vane shear strength and remoulded vane

shear strength respectively, corrected to

Unable To Penetrate with Shear Vane

SPT uncorrected blow count for 300mm

SPT uncorrected blow count for 300 mm

penetration using solid nose sampler

Laboratory Test(s) carried out:

Unconsolidated undrained triaxial

Consolidated undrained triaxial

Unconfined compression

Completely weathered

Moderately weathered

Highly weathered

Slightly weathered

Unweathered

strength respectively, as measured by

Geotechnics/ Pilcon Shear Vane

Purposes", dated December 2005.

August 2001.

UTP

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AL

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COMP

**WEATHERING** 

UCS

CW

HW

MW

SW

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Very dense

IN SITU TESTS

= 40/10

= 50/12

= 15

= 50+

#### **GRAPHIC LOG** (1 or a combination of the following)



Fill



Silt



Cobbles



Sandstone



>50

Fine igneous



Core loss



Sand



Boulders



Limestone



Coarse igneous



Organics



Shells



Mudstone



Schist



Clay



Gravel



Siltstone



Basalt

#### **ORGANIC SOILS**

#### Von Post Degree of Humification

- H1 Completely unconverted and mud-free peat, when pressed gives clear water and plant structure is visible.
- H2 Practically unconverted and mud-free peat, when pressed gives almost clear water and plant structure is visible.
- H3 Very slightly decomposed or very slightly muddy peat, when pressed gives marked muddy water, no peat substance passes through the fingers and plant structure is less visible.
- H4 Slightly decomposed or slightly muddy peat, when pressed gives marked muddy water and plant structure is less visible.
- H5 Moderately decomposed or very muddy peat with growth structure evident but slightly obliterated.
- H6 Moderately decomposed or very muddy peat with indistinct growth structure.
- H7 Fairly well decomposed or very muddy peat but the growth structure can just be seen.
- H8 Well decomposed or very muddy peat with very indistinct growth structure.
- H9 Practically decomposed or mud-like peat in which almost no growth structure is evident
   H10 Completely decomposed or mud peat where no growth structure can be seen, entire substance passes through the fingers when pressed.





BOREHOLE No: BH1

MACHINE BOREHOLE LOG SHEET 1 of 1 Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives PROJECT: JOB NUMBER: 6517986 Christchurch City Council SITE LOCATION: Akaroa CLIENT: CIRCUIT: BOREHOLE LOCATION: N7TM Robinsons Valley N 5,154,486 m E 1,596,918 m COORDINATES: COORDINATE ORIGIN: MAP R L: 1.3 m DATUM: LVD ACCURACY: ±1m DRILLING CORE RECOVERY DAILY WATER LEVEL IN-SITU TESTS 90 SOIL / ROCK DESCRIPTION GRAPHIC METHOD CASING SAMPLE Ξ FLUID Rob sv Я (kPa) Soft SILT, minor organics, some fine sand, trace clay; dark brown; moist; low plasticity. X Organics: amorphous, roots. [topsoil]. ×× × Soft fine sandy SILT, some clay, some organics, moist, low plasticity. Organics: amorphous, roots. Soft clayey SILT, trace fine gravel, trace organics; brown; wet; high plasticity. Gravel: HW, subrounded, trachyte. Organics: charcoal. × 27/09/2016 11:00:00 a.m.  $\times$ × 100  $\times$ × POSSIBLE FILL  $\times$ × X × X X 11, Loosely packed fibrous ORGANICS, some fine sand; black; wet; non plastic. Organics: 3 1/ 1/1/ 1 1/ 1/ V Sonic 88 <u>\\\</u>\\\\ ×°×× Soft fine to coarse gravelly SILT, some clay, some fine to coarse sand; dark grey; saturated; low plasticity. Gravel: SW to MW, subrounded to subangular, basalt. 2.84 - 3.04 m: no recovery. × × × × Soft fine to coarse gravelly SILT, some clay, some fine to coarse sand; dark grey; saturated; low plasticity. Gravel: SW to MW, subrounded to subangular, basalt. ×× ,0× Ø Sonic ××× ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS 8 × 4.32 - 4.52 m: no recovery. ××× Soft fine to coarse gravelly SILT, some clay, some fine to coarse sand; dark grey; saturated; low plasticity. Gravel: SW to MW, subrounded to subangular, basalt. ×°× 6- ${\rm 10^{12}\, \times}$ ′ο× \*× 4.9 m; moderately thick (200mm) bed of cobbles and coarse gravels; SW; subrounded. × ×°×° 8 ×°×  $\text{R}^{\frac{1}{2}}\times$ × 5.85 m: single cobble; SW, subrounded, basalt. 6 5.88 - 6.08 m: no recovery. END OF LOG @ 6.08 m 8 COMMENTS DATE STARTED: 26/9/16 DRILLED BY: McMillans Drilling Co-ordinates and elevation obtained from the ECan GIS viewer. Static groundwater DATE FINISHED: 26/9/16 EQUIPMENT: Sonic Rig observed at 0.55 mbgl on 27/09/2016 11:00 am. LOGGED BY: LB DRILL METHOD: Sonic SHEAR VANE No: DRILL FLUID: Water N/A DIAMETER/INCLINATION: 123 mm/ -90° FOR EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS SEE KEY SHEET



BOREHOLE No: BH2

SHEET 1 of 1 Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives PROJECT: JOB NUMBER: 6517986 Akaroa Christchurch City Council SITE LOCATION: CLIENT: CIRCUIT: NZTM BOREHOLE LOCATION: Robinsons Valley COORDINATES: N 5,154,754 m E 1,597,254 m R L: DATUM: 12.5 m COORDINATE ORIGIN: MAP LVD ACCURACY: ±1m DRILLING CORE RECOVERY DAILY WATER LEVEL IN-SITU TESTS **GRAPHIC LOG** SOIL / ROCK DESCRIPTION SAMPLES METHOD CASING FLUID Ξ Rob sv ۲ (kPa) Я Soft fine sandy SILT; minor organics; dark brown; moist; non plastic. Organics: rootlets, × amorphous. [topsoil]. × × Stiff fine sandy SILT, trace clay, trace organics, trace medium sand; brown; moist; low 13-0.36 m: moderately thin (80mm) clay bed; light brown; high plasticity. 0.4 - 1.52 m: no recovery. 20 ,0000 Fine sandy fine to coarse GRAVEL; some silt; brown; non plastic. Gravel: SW, subrounded to subangular, basalt; HW, subrounded, reddish orange, trachyte. Sonic 8  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$ 29/09/2016 1:00:00 p.m. 15 ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS 16-Sonic Stiff SILT, minor fine to medium gravel, some clay, some fine to coarse sand; brown; 9 wet; high plasticity. Gravel: SW, subrounded to subangular, basalt; EW, subrounded, X trachyte. X X X × 17 X 4.56 m: single cobble (65mm): SW, subrounded, basalt. X × X × × Sonic 9 × 18 × × X END OF LOG @ 6.08 m 19 DRILLED BY COMMENTS: DATE STARTED: 26/9/16 McMillans Drilling Co-ordinates and elevation obtained from the ECan GIS viewer. Static groundwater DATE FINISHED: 26/9/16 EQUIPMENT: Sonic Rig observed at 2.335 mbgl on 29/09/2016 1:00 pm. LOGGED BY: LB DRILL METHOD: Sonic SHEAR VANE No: N/A DRILL FLUID: Water DIAMETER/INCLINATION: 123 mm/ -90° FOR EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS SEE KEY SHEET

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BOREHOLE No: BH3

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BOREHOLE No: BH4

SHEET 1 of 1 Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives PROJECT: JOB NUMBER: 6517986 Akaroa Christchurch City Council SITE LOCATION: CLIENT: NZTM CIRCUIT: **BOREHOLE LOCATION:** Robinsons Valley N 5,154,945 m E 1,597,709 m COORDINATES: R L: DATUM: 30.7 m COORDINATE ORIGIN: MAP LVD ACCURACY: ±1m DRILLING CORE RECOVERY DAILY WATER LEVEL IN-SITU TESTS 90 SOIL / ROCK DESCRIPTION GRAPHICI METHOD CASING FLUID SAMPLE Ξ Rob SV ₹ (kPa) Soft SILT, minor fine sand, minor organics some clay; dark brown; moist; high plasticity. Organics: amorphous, roots. [topsoil]. × Soft fine sandy SILT, some clay, trace organics; dark brown; wet; high plasticity. 31 × Organics: rootlets, charcoal. × × Sonic ж 100 × Firm fine sandy SILT, some clay; dark brown; moist; brown; low plasticity. ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS 32 × Loosely packed fine to coarse GRAVEL, trace fine cobbles, trace fine to coarse sand, trace silt, trace clay; brown and grey; moist to dry; low plasticity (matrix). Gravel: SW to CW, subangular, basalt. Baked due to drilling in places. Sonic 33 8 END OF LOG @ 3.04 m 34 35 5 36 37 DRILLED BY: COMMENTS: DATE STARTED: 29/9/16 McMillans Drilling Co-ordinates and elevation obtained from the ECan GIS viewer. Borehole dry on  $29/09/2016\ 2:00\ pm.$ DATE FINISHED: 29/9/16 EQUIPMENT: Sonic Rig LOGGED BY: LB DRILL METHOD: Sonic SHEAR VANE No: N/A DRILL FLUID: Water DIAMETER/INCLINATION: 123 mm/ -90° FOR EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS SEE KEY SHEET



BOREHOLE No: BH5

SHEET 1 of 1 Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives PROJECT: JOB NUMBER: 6517986 Akaroa Christchurch City Council SITE LOCATION: CLIENT: CIRCUIT: NZTM **BOREHOLE LOCATION:** Takamatua Valley COORDINATES: N 5,152,227 m E 1,597,794 m R L: DATUM: 9 m LVD COORDINATE ORIGIN: MAP ACCURACY: ±1m DRILLING CORE RECOVERY DAILY WATER LEVEL IN-SITU TESTS **GRAPHIC LOG** SOIL / ROCK DESCRIPTION METHOD CASING FLUID SAMPLE Ξ Rob SV ۲ (kPa) Я Soft fine to medium gravelly SILT, some organics, trace clay; brown; wet; low plasticity. Gravel: SW, subrounded to subangular basalt. Organics: peat, roots. [topsoil]. , ×, × ×× , , , , 29/09/2016 12:00:00 p.m. ¥ ℽ 100 Firm clayey SILT, minor gravel, some fine sand; light brown; wet; high plasticity. Gravel: × 10 X SW, subrounded to subangular basalt. Χ  $\times$ X × Χ × × X. 1.52 - 1.95 m: gravel absent. Χ ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS Χ 11 × Χ Sonic × 00000 8 Loosely packed medium to coarse GRAVEL, trace fine to coarse sand, trace silt; dark grey; wet; non plastic. Gravel: SW - MW, subrounded to subangular basalt. 12 Firm to stiff fine gravelly SILT, some fine to coarse sand, some clay, trace medium gravel; dark brown; saturated; low plastiscity. Gravel: SW, subrounded to aubagular, basalt. ×× ×× Sonic ×××× X 100 13 ×× (°×~× END OF LOG @ 4.56 m 5 14 15 16 McMillans Drilling DRILLED BY COMMENTS: DATE STARTED: Co-ordinates and elevation obtained from the ECan GIS viewer. Static groundwater DATE FINISHED: 28/9/16 EQUIPMENT: Sonic Rig observed at 0.47 mbgl on 29/09/2016 12:00 pm. LOGGED BY: LB DRILL METHOD: **HA/Sonic** SHEAR VANE No: N/A DRILL FLUID: Water DIAMETER/INCLINATION: 123 mm/ -90° FOR EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS SEE KEY SHEET



BOREHOLE No: BH6

SHEET 1 of 1 Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives PROJECT: JOB NUMBER: 6517986 Christchurch City Council SITE LOCATION: Akaroa CLIENT: CIRCUIT: **BOREHOLE LOCATION:** N7TM Takamatua Valley N 5,151,907 m E 1,598,527 m COORDINATES: R L: DATUM: 34.4 m COORDINATE ORIGIN: MAP LVD ACCURACY: ±1m DRILLING CORE RECOVERY DAILY WATER LEVEL IN-SITU TESTS **GRAPHIC LOG** SOIL / ROCK DESCRIPTION METHOD CASING FLUID SAMPLE Ξ Rob sv Я (kPa) Soft SILT, minor fine to medium gravel, some clay, some fine to coarse sand; brown; Χ saturated; low plasticity. Gravel: SW, subrounded to subangular, basalt. (Sample X disturbed by hand augering). X X X X 35 × ¥ 20 0.75 - 1.52 m: no recovery. 28/09/2016 4:00:00 p.m. ××××× Soft fine to medium gravelly SILT, minor clay, some coarse sand; brown; saturated; high plasticity. Gravel: SW, subrounded to subangular, basalt. 36  $\text{R}^{\frac{1}{2}}\times$  $k_{\infty}$ Sonic ALLUVIAL DEPOSITS X 61 2.44 - 3.04 m: no recovery. 37 Soft fine to medium gravelly SILT, minor clay, some coarse sand; brown; saturated; high plasticity. Gravel: SW, subrounded to subangular, basalt. ð COBBLE (150 mm): SW, basalt. Very stiff fine sandy SILT, some coarse sand, trace fine gravel; dark grey; moist; non plastic. Gravel: SW, subangular, basalt. 38 Sonic 100 Stiff fine to coarse gravelly SILT, some fine to medium sand; dark brown; wet; non plastic. Gravel: SW-CW, subrounded to subangular basalt. 39 END OF LOG @ 4.56 m 5 40 41 COMMENTS: DATE STARTED: DRILLED BY: McMillans Drilling Co-ordinates and elevation obtained from the ECan GIS viewer. Static groundwater DATE FINISHED: 27/9/16 EQUIPMENT: Sonic Rig observed at 1.3 mbgl on 28/09/2016 4:00 pm. LOGGED BY: LB DRILL METHOD: **HA/Sonic** SHEAR VANE No: DRILL FLUID: Water N/A DIAMETER/INCLINATION: 123 mm/ -90° FOR EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS SEE KEY SHEET



BOX: 1/3 DEPTH: 0.0 to 2.1 m



BOX: 2/3 DEPTH: 2.1 to 5.16 m





BOX: 3/3 DEPTH: 5.16 to 6.08 m

**BH01** 



BOX: 1/3 DEPTH: 0 to 3.04 m





BOX: 2/3 DEPTH: 3.04 to 3.94 m

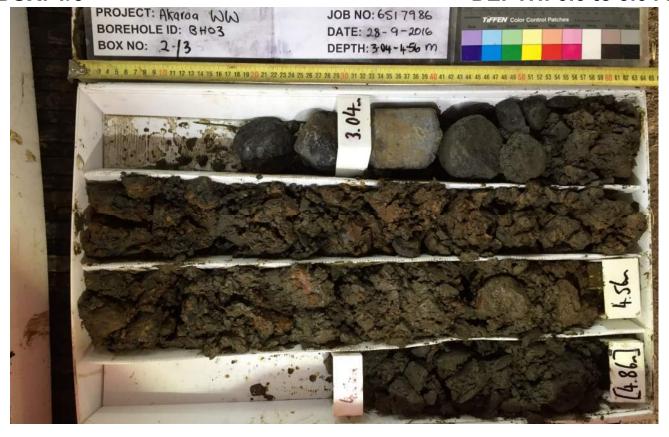


BOX: 3/3 DEPTH: 3.94 to 6.08 m





BOX: 1/3 DEPTH: 0.0 to 3.04 m



BOX: 2/3 DEPTH: 3.04 to 4.86 m





BOX: 3/3 DEPTH: 4.56 to 6.08 m BH3



BOX: 1/2 DEPTH: 0.0 to 2.42 m





BOX: 2/2 DEPTH: 2.42 to 3.04 m

BH4



BOX: 1/3 DEPTH: 0.0 to 1.82 m



BH5

## **Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives**



BOX: 2/3 DEPTH: 1.82 to 3.94 m



BOX: 3/3 DEPTH: 3.94 to 4.56 m



BH5

## **Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives**



BOX: 1/2 DEPTH: 0.0 to 3.94 m



BOX: 2/2 DEPTH: 3.94 to 4.56 m



BH6

Appendix C

**Piezometer Details** 

**Bore Log** Client: Bore No.: Pattle Delamore Partners **BH001** McMILLAN Drilling Project: Job No.: Akaroa Wastewater Upgrade 16343 Site Location: Robinsons Bay Valley Road, Robinsons Bay **Date Commenced: 26/09/2016** Grid Reference: 1596984.63mE 5154569.36mN NZTM Date Completed: 26/09/2016 Rig Operator: K. Morris Elevation (m): 0.00 Rig Model & Mounting: Geoprobe 8140LC - track Datum: Ground SPT N-value (Uncorrected) Recovery Drivability **Graphic Log** Installation Permeability tests Samples Depth Description Resources 9,89,99 25 50 75 TOPSOIL  $\Delta M_{\rm c}$ 40 SILT; light brown. 100% 50 mm Blank pipe (3.0m) Silty PEAT with some gravel and trace of cobbles; dark brown. Gravel, fine to coarse. <u>38</u>2 80% ^<u>st</u> Sonic core drilling ^<u>₩</u>2, 80%  $^{\circ}M^{\circ}$ 50 mm Slotted pipe (3.0m) `<u>₩</u>2., 80% ^<u>58</u>2 EOH: 6.08m **Additional Resources:** Remarks eotechnical investigation borehole BH001 Plastic Liner / PVC Splits m Core boxes 3 no. Static water levels: 1.40m bgl at casing depth of 6.08m; 26/9/2016 **Flush Mounted Toby Box** - Standard 300 liters water added ea - Environmental ea Drivability **Above Ground Protective Surround** ea Easy Push - No Hammer \ Fast Penetration 2 Relatively Easy Push - Light Hammer\ Relatively Fast
3 Medium Push - Consistent Hammer\ Medium
4 Hard Push - Full Hammer\ Somewhat Slow
5 Very Hard Push - Full Hammer\ Very Slow Geotextile Sock m **Hand Clear Location** ea **Decontaminate Equipment** ea

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Hole Depth: 6.08m

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**Bore Log** Client: Bore No.: Pattle Delamore Partners **BH002** McMILLAN Drilling Project: Job No.: Akaroa Wastewater Upgrade 16343 Site Location: Robinsons Bay Valley Road, Robinsons Bay **Date Commenced: 26/09/2016** Grid Reference: 1597347.56mE 5154775.47mN NZTM Date Completed: 27/09/2016 Rig Operator: K. Morris Elevation (m): 0.00 Rig Model & Mounting: Geoprobe 8140LC - track Datum: Ground SPT N-value (Uncorrected) Recovery Drivability **Graphic Log** Installation Permeability tests Depth Description Resources 9,89,99 22 22 22 Cement (2.2 bags) 40 316 Bentonite (1.5 bags) 50 mm Blank pipe (1.4m) 50% 37  $\Delta D_{\rm c}$ Clayey GRAVEL with trace of peat. 80% Sonic core drilling 50 mm Slotted pipe (3.0m) Filter sand (3.5 bags) EOH: 6.08m **Additional Resources:** Remarks eotechnical investigation borehole BH002 Plastic Liner / PVC Splits m Core boxes 3 no. Static water levels: 1.10m bgl at casing depth of 4.56m; 26/9/2016 **Flush Mounted Toby Box** - Standard ea No water added - Environmental ea Drivability **Above Ground Protective Surround** ea Easy Push - No Hammer \ Fast Penetration 2 Relatively Easy Push - Light Hammer \ Relatively Fast 3 Medium Push - Consistent Hammer \ Medium 4 Hard Push - Full Hammer \ Somewhat Slow 5 Very Hard Push - Full Hammer \ Very Slow Geotextile Sock m **Hand Clear Location** ea **Decontaminate Equipment** ea

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Hole Depth: 6.08m

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**Bore Log** Client: Bore No.: Pattle Delamore Partners **BH003** McMILLAN Drilling Project: Job No.: Akaroa Wastewater Upgrade 16343 Site Location: Robinsons Bay Valley Road, Robinsons Bay **Date Commenced: 28/09/2016 Grid Reference:** 1597795.4mE 5154878.11mN NZTM **Date Completed: 28/09/2016** Rig Operator: K. Morris Elevation (m): 0.00 Rig Model & Mounting: Geoprobe 8140LC - track Datum: Ground SPT N-value (Uncorrected) Recovery Drivability **Graphic Log** Installation Depth Description Resources 9,89,99 22 22 22 22 TOPSOIL  $\Delta L$ CLAY; light brown. 80% Clayey GRAVEL Sonic core drilling 50 mm Slotted pipe (2.5m) %001 EOH: 6.08m **Additional Resources:** Remarks eotechnical investigation borehole BH003 Plastic Liner / PVC Splits m Core boxes 3 no. Static water levels: 3.86m bgl at casing depth of 6.08m; 28/9/2016 **Flush Mounted Toby Box** - Standard 500 liters water added ea - Environmental ea Drivability **Above Ground Protective Surround** ea Easy Push - No Hammer \ Fast Penetration 2 Relatively Easy Push - Light Hammer \ Relatively Fast 3 Medium Push - Consistent Hammer \ Medium 4 Hard Push - Full Hammer \ Somewhat Slow 5 Very Hard Push - Full Hammer \ Very Slow Geotextile Sock m **Hand Clear Location** ea **Decontaminate Equipment** ea

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Hole Depth: 6.08m

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Client:

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Bore No.:

**BH003B** 

**Bore Log** 

Job No.:

16343

Site Location: Robinsons Bay Valley Road, Robinsons Bay

Grid Reference: 1597796.94mE 5154876.9mN NZTM Rig Operator: K. Morris

**Date Commenced: 29/09/2016** Date Completed: 29/09/2016 Elevation (m): 0.00

Datum: Ground

Rig Model & Mounting: Geoprobe 8140LC - track

SPT N-value (Uncorrected) Recovery Drivability **Graphic Log** Installation Depth Description Resources 9,89,99 25 50 75 TOPSOIL  $\Delta L$ CLAY; light brown. 50 mm Blank pipe (1.0m) 100% Sonic core drilling Clayey GRAVEL Filter sand (2 bags) 50 mm (2.0m) EOH: 3.04m

Remarks

Seotechnical investigation borehole BH003B

No water added

Static water levels: Dry at casing depth of 3.04m; 29/9/2016

Drivability

1 Easy Push - No Hammer \ Fast Penetration 2 Relatively Easy Push - Light Hammer \ Relatively Fast 3 Medium Push - Consistent Hammer \ Medium 4 Hard Push - Full Hammer \ Somewhat Slow 5 Very Hard Push - Full Hammer \ Very Slow

**Additional Resources:** 

Plastic Liner / PVC Splits Core boxes

**Flush Mounted Toby Box** - Standard

- Environmental **Above Ground Protective Surround** 

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**Bore Log** Client: Bore No.: Pattle Delamore Partners **BH005** McMILLAN Drilling Project: Job No.: Akaroa Wastewater Upgrade 16343 Site Location: Takamatua Valley Road, Takamatua **Date Commenced: 28/09/2016** Grid Reference: 1597794.83mE 5152227.37mN NZTM **Date Completed: 28/09/2016** Rig Operator: K. Morris Elevation (m): 0.00 Rig Model & Mounting: Geoprobe 8140LC - track Datum: Ground SPT N-value (Uncorrected) Recovery Drivability Installation Graphic Log Depth Description Resources Environmental Flush Toby Box 9,89,99 22 22 22 22 Silty GRAVEL. 50 mm Blank pipe (1.0m) FILL. 100% Hand Silty CLAY; brownish orange. 100% 50 mm Slotted pipe (3.5m) Sonic core drilling Clayey GRAVEL. %001 **Additional Resources:** Remarks eotechnical investigation borehole BH005 Plastic Liner / PVC Splits m Core boxes 3 no. Static water levels: 1.40m bgl at casing depth of 4.56m; 28/9/2016 **Flush Mounted Toby Box** - Standard ea No water added - Environmental ea Drivability **Above Ground Protective Surround** Easy Push - No Hammer \ Fast Penetration
2 Relatively Easy Push - Light Hammer \ Relatively Fast
3 Medium Push - Consistent Hammer \ Medium
4 Hard Push - Full Hammer \ Somewhat Slow
5 Very Hard Push - Full Hammer \ Very Slow ea Geotextile Sock m **Hand Clear Location** ea

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**Decontaminate Equipment** 

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Bore No.:

**BH006** 

**Bore Log** 

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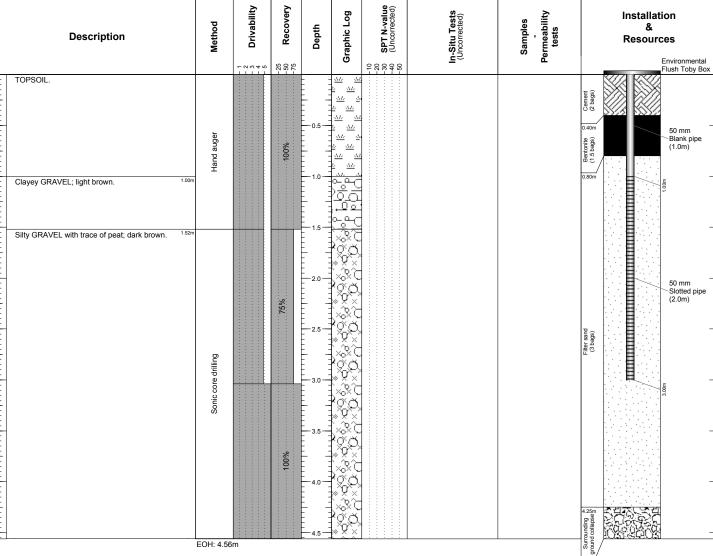
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Site Location: Old Le Bons Track, Takamatua Grid Reference: 1598548.03mE 5151907.07mN NZTM

**Date Commenced: 27/09/2016** Date Completed: 27/09/2016

Rig Operator: K. Morris Elevation (m): 0.00 Rig Model & Mounting: Geoprobe 8140LC - track Datum: Ground



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300 liters water added

Geotechnical investigation borehole BH006 2.30m bgl at casing depth of 4.56m; 27/9/2016

Drivability

1 Easy Push - No Hammer \ Fast Penetration 2 Relatively Easy Push - Light Hammer\ Relatively Fast
3 Medium Push - Consistent Hammer\ Medium
4 Hard Push - Full Hammer\ Somewhat Slow
5 Very Hard Push - Full Hammer\ Very Slow **Additional Resources:** Plastic Liner / PVC Splits

Core boxes

**Flush Mounted Toby Box** - Standard

- Environmental ea **Above Ground Protective Surround** ea

Geotextile Sock m **Hand Clear Location** ea **Decontaminate Equipment** ea

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Appendix D

Test Pit Logs and Photographs



#### **WATER**

#### **METHOD** (shows drilling method)

OB open barrel Wash wash boring TT triple tube

UT thin walled undisturbed tube

SPT standard penetration test – open nose sampler Nc standard penetration test – solid nose sampler

MA machine auger PS piston sample

PCT percussion – top drive PCB percussion – bottom drive

Conc concentrics
Sonic sonic
HA hand auger
VE vacuum excavation

#### **SAMPLES**

Dx Disturbed sample, number x Bx Bulk sample, number x

Ux(d) Undisturbed sample, number x, tube diameter d in mm

Wx Water sample, number x

#### **MOISTURE**

Dry, looks and feels dry

Moist, no free water on hand when remoulding Wet, free water on hand when remoulding

Saturated, soil below water table

### SOIL AND ROCK DESCRIPTIONS

#### CONSISTENCY

Cohesive Soils	Undrained Shear Strength (kPa)
Very soft	<12
Soft	12 to 25
Firm	25 to 50
Stiff	50 to 100
Very stiff	100 to 200
Hard	>200

Non-cohesive Soils	SPT – Uncorrected
Very loose	0 to 4
Loose	4 to 10
Medium dense	10 to 30
Dense	30 to 50

Soil and Rock Descriptions are generally as described in the NZ Geotechnical Society "Field Description of Soil and Rock – Guideline for the Field Classification and Description of Soil and Rock for Engineering

Vane Shear Strength measurements in accordance with the NZ Geotechnical Society "Guideline for hand held shear vane test" dated

penetration

Atterberg limits

Particle size

Consolidation

Compaction

In situ shear strength and remoulded shear

Vane shear strength and remoulded vane

shear strength respectively, corrected to

Unable To Penetrate with Shear Vane

SPT uncorrected blow count for 300mm

SPT uncorrected blow count for 300 mm

penetration using solid nose sampler

Laboratory Test(s) carried out:

Unconsolidated undrained triaxial

Consolidated undrained triaxial

Unconfined compression

Completely weathered

Moderately weathered

Highly weathered

Slightly weathered

Unweathered

strength respectively, as measured by

Geotechnics/ Pilcon Shear Vane

Purposes", dated December 2005.

August 2001.

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**WEATHERING** 

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CW

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Very dense

IN SITU TESTS

= 40/10

= 50/12

= 15

= 50+

### **GRAPHIC LOG** (1 or a combination of the following)



Fill



Silt



Cobbles



Sandstone



>50

Fine igneous



Core loss



Sand



Boulders



Limestone



Coarse igneous



Organics



Shells



Mudstone



Schist



Clay



Gravel



Siltstone



Basalt

### **ORGANIC SOILS**

### Von Post Degree of Humification

- H1 Completely unconverted and mud-free peat, when pressed gives clear water and plant structure is visible.
- H2 Practically unconverted and mud-free peat, when pressed gives almost clear water and plant structure is visible.
- H3 Very slightly decomposed or very slightly muddy peat, when pressed gives marked muddy water, no peat substance passes through the fingers and plant structure is less visible.
- H4 Slightly decomposed or slightly muddy peat, when pressed gives marked muddy water and plant structure is less visible.
- H5 Moderately decomposed or very muddy peat with growth structure evident but slightly obliterated.
- H6 Moderately decomposed or very muddy peat with indistinct growth structure.
- H7 Fairly well decomposed or very muddy peat but the growth structure can just be seen.
- H8 Well decomposed or very muddy peat with very indistinct growth structure.
- H9 Practically decomposed or mud-like peat in which almost no growth structure is evident
   H10 Completely decomposed or mud peat where no growth structure can be seen, entire substance passes through the fingers when pressed.





**TEST PIT LOG** 

TEST PIT No: TP5

SHEET 1 of 1

JOB NUMBER: 6517986 Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives PROJECT: SITE LOCATION: Akaroa CLIENT: Christchurch City Council CIRCUIT: TEST PIT LOCATION: Robinsons Valley **NZTM** N 1,599,198 m E 5,154,726 m COORDINATES: COORDINATE ORIGIN: hhGPS 160 m RI: ACCURACY: ±5m DATUM: LVD Ħ GRAPHIC LOG **SEOLOGICAL** SOIL / ROCK DESCRIPTION ES WATER L DEPTH ( Soft SILT, some fine sand, trace clay; dark brown; moist; low plasticity. [TOPSOIL]. X X Stiff SILT, minor clay, trace fine sand, trace organics, trace fine to coarse gravels, trace fine to coarse X × cobbles; brown; moist; high plasticity. Gravel & Cobbles: SW, subangular, basalt. Organics: rootlets. X LOESS COLLUVIUM X 0.35 m: cobbles absent. -0.5 159.5<sup>-</sup> 0.5 m: brown speckled black. Organics: charcoal. × X X X X X Stiff Clayey SILT, some fine sand, trace organics; light brown, mottled light grey; moist; high plasticity. Organics: rootlets. X × - 1.0 159.0 × X × × × × × 1.45 m: Greyish white, mottled orange. 1.5 158.5 × ×  $\overline{X}$ 1.8 m: wet. × 2.0 158.0 × ×  $\times$ × X 2.4 m: moist. × 157.5 -25 X × × × X X X -3.0 157.0 × × X  $\times$ × × × END OF LOG @ 3.5 m DATE EXCAVATED: 28/9/16 CONTRACTOR: COMMENTS Local Co-ordinates by handheld GPS; Elevation from the ECan GIS viewer. LOGGED BY: EQUIPMENT: 2.5t Excavator SHEAR VANE No: N/A METHOD: Excavator FOR EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS SEE KEY SHEET

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TEST PIT LOG

TEST PIT No: **IP5** 

SHEET 1 of 1 Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives JOB NUMBER: 6517986 PROJECT: SITE LOCATION: Akaroa CLIENT: Christchurch City Council CIRCUIT: TEST PIT LOCATION: **NZTM** Robinsons Valley N 1,599,198 m E 5,154,726 m COORDINATE ORIGIN: hhGPS ACCURACY: ±5m COORDINATES: RL: 160 m DATUM: LVD Ħ GRAPHIC LOG GEOLOGICAL SOIL / ROCK DESCRIPTION WATER L DEPTH ( Soft SILT, minor organics, some fine sand, some clay; dark brown; moist; low plasticity. Organics: amorphous, roots. [TOPSOIL]. × COLLUVIUM Stiff SILT, some clay, trace coarse sand, trace medium to coarse gravel, trace fine to medium cobbles; brown; moist; low plasticity. Gravel & cobbles: SW to MW, subangular to subrounded, basalt. × × × ××× LOESS END OF LOG @ 0.43 m 0.5 159.5-- 1.0 159.0-1.5 158.5 2.0 158.0 157.5--25 -3.0 157.0 3.5 156.5 DATE EXCAVATED: 28/9/16 CONTRACTOR: COMMENTS Local Co-ordinates by handheld GPS; Elevation from the ECan GIS viewer. Excavated to perform subsurface infiltration ring test. LOGGED BY: EQUIPMENT: 2.5t Excavator SHEAR VANE No: N/A METHOD: Excavator FOR EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS SEE KEY SHEET

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TEST PIT No: IP8

**TEST PIT LOG** SHEET 1 of 1 Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives JOB NUMBER: 6517986 PROJECT: SITE LOCATION: Akaroa CLIENT: Christchurch City Council CIRCUIT: TEST PIT LOCATION: **NZTM** Pompeys Pillar N 1,605,690 m E 5,146,116 m COORDINATE ORIGIN: hhGPS ACCURACY: ±5m COORDINATES: 235 m RL: DATUM: LVD Ħ **SRAPHIC LOG** GEOLOGICAL SOIL / ROCK DESCRIPTION ES WATER L DEPTH ( Soft SILT, some fine sand, some organics, trace clay, trace fine cobbles; dark brown; wet; low plasicity. Cobbles: SW, subangular, basalt. Organics: amorphous, rootlets. [TOPSOIL]. X X COLLUM Firm SILT, some fine sand, trace fine cobbles, trace clay, dark brown, mottled light brown; wet; low plasticity. Cobbles: SW, subangular, basalt. × Stiff SILT, minor clay, trace fine to medium sand; light brown, mottled dark brown; wet; high plasticity. × OESS END OF LOG @ 0.4 m 0.5 234 5 - 1.0 234.0 1.5 233.5 2.0 233.0 232.5 -25 -3.0 232.0 3.5 231.5 DATE EXCAVATED: 27/9/16 CONTRACTOR: McMillans Drilling COMMENTS Co-ordinates by handheld GPS; Elevation from the ECan GIS viewer. Excavated to perform subsurface infiltration ring test. LOGGED BY: EQUIPMENT: 1.8t Excavator SHEAR VANE No: N/A METHOD: Excavator

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TEST PIT No: **IP9 TEST PIT LOG** 

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**TEST PIT LOG** 

TEST PIT No: IP10

SHEET 1 of 1 Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives JOB NUMBER: 6517986 PROJECT: SITE LOCATION: Akaroa CLIENT: Christchurch City Council Pompeys Pillar 105 m CIRCUIT: TEST PIT LOCATION: **NZTM** COORDINATE ORIGIN: hhGPS ACCURACY: ±5m N 1,606,373 m E 5,145,113 m COORDINATES: RL: DATUM: LVD Ħ **SRAPHIC LOG** GEOLOGICAL SOIL / ROCK DESCRIPTION ES WATER L DEPTH ( Firm SILT, some fine sand, some organics, trace clay; dark brown; moist; low plasicity. Organics: amorphous, rootlets. [TOPSOIL]. X ×× Firm SILT, some fine sand, trace clay, trace organics; brown; moist; low plasticity. Organics: rootlets. COLLUVI × . Firm SILT, some fine sand, some clay; greyish brown; moist; low plasticity. LOESS 0.38 m: greyish brown, mottled orange. Stiff SILT, some clay, some fine sand; light brown, mottled orange; moist; high plasticity. END OF LOG @ 0.46 m -0.5 104.5 - 1.0 104.0 1.5 103.5 2.0 103.0 102.5 -25 -3.0 102.0 3.5 101.5 DATE EXCAVATED: 27/9/16 CONTRACTOR: McMillans Drilling COMMENTS Co-ordinates by handheld GPS; Elevation from the ECan GIS viewer. Excavated to perform subsurface infiltration ring test. LOGGED BY: EQUIPMENT: 1.8t Excavator SHEAR VANE No: N/A METHOD: Excavator FOR EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS SEE KEY SHEET

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# **Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives Test Pits**



**TP05** 

View E DEPTH: 0.0 to 2.0 m



IP05 view W DEPTH: 0.0 to 0.43 m



**Test Pit Photos** 

# **Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives Test Pits**



View W DEPTH: 0.0 to 0.4 m



Outer ring = 800 mm

Top down view



# **Akaroa Wastewater Disposal Alternatives Test Pits**



**IP09** 

DEPTH: 0.0 to 0.48 m

**View SW** 



View W

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**DEPTH: 0.0 to 0.46 m** 

**IP10**