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Re: Geotechnial Infiltration Study Proposed Single Family House 3804 E Mercer Way Mercer Island, WA 98040

Dear Chunling:

At your request, we have conducted a subsurface investigation at the above referenced site. We understand that a residential building is proposed for construction on the site. The purpose of this study was to perform field tests in a specified area at the site to evaluate soil and groundwater conditions, conducted a small-scale Pilot Infiltration Test (PIT) and prepare a summary letter evaluating whether the site soils are suitable for civil engineering design of stormwater infiltration.

The scope of this study to date has included:

- 1. Observing two (2) test holes to maximum depth of 5.0° .
- 2. Logging, and interpreting soil, ground water, and subsurface conditions;
- 3. Preparing a report with recommendations for feasibility of soil infiltration.

SITE CONDITIONS: The subject property is located at 3804 E Mercer Way, Mercer Island, Washington, to east of E Mercer Way. The site has existing house with a detached garage. The backyard is a grass lawn with gentle slope towards to the lake.

Adjacent lots around the site are developed residential neighborhoods. The project location and vicinity is shown in Figure 1 and the site plan in Figure 2 in Appendix.

GEOLOGIC BACKGROUND: The project area is located in the Northern Puget lowlands. This area was invaded by glacial ice at least three times during the Pleistocene Epoch, about 1.6 million to 10,000 years ago. The site is mapped as Pleistocene continental glacial till according to the 1:250,000 Washington Interactive Geological Map. The soils are described as Qgt - Pleistocene till, which is unsorted, unstratified, highly compacted mixture of clay, silt, sand, gravel, and boulders deposited by glacial ice; may contain interbedded stratified sand, silt, and gravel.

SURFACE AND GROUNDWATER CONDITIONS: No groundwater seepage was observed in test pits excavated at 11/26/2022. No surface water was observed during our site visit.

Geotechnical, Geological, Hydrogeological, Mining, and Environmental Engineering and Geosciences Services.

SOIL CONDITIONS: Soil conditions were investigated by conducting two (2) test pits. For detailed soil observations, please refer to Figures 4 and 5 in Appendix; a USCS soil classification chart is provided in Figure 3 in Appendix. Native soils were generally consistent with findings of all test pit locations. Subsurface soil conditions are summarized as follows, from top to bottom:

a. 0´ - 2'	Topsoil (OL)/Fill
b. 2' - 5´	Clayey Sands with Gravel (Till)

a. Topsoil (OL)/Fill

Dark brown, sandy silt topsoil with grass roots was encountered at the surface in TP#1. The black silty sand and some bricks was found in TP#2. This soil ranged from 0" to 2' thick, damp, and moderately loose.

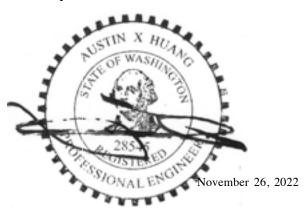
b. Clayey Sands with Gravel (Till)

The clayey sands underlying topsoil extends to excavation depth of $\sim 5^{\circ}$. The soil is light brown to gray, stiff to hard, damp.

CONCLUSIONS: Based on the findings of our study, it is our opinion and conclusion that site soil and subsurface conditions observed are not suitable for on site stormwater infiltration. This is due primarily to hard TILL soil from depth $\sim 2'$ to $\sim 5'$. And the onsite TIII soil layer is within 3 feet of the base of infiltration basins or trench systems according to the 2014 Stromwater Management Manual for Western Washington, Volume III, Section 3.3.7 - Site Suitability Criteria, SSC-5 *Depth to Bedrock, Water Table, or Impermeable Layer*. Therefore, project stormwater runoff will need to be directed to a controlled detention/release stormwater facility.

Thank you for this opportunity to work with you on this project. Please contact us at (425) 454-2133 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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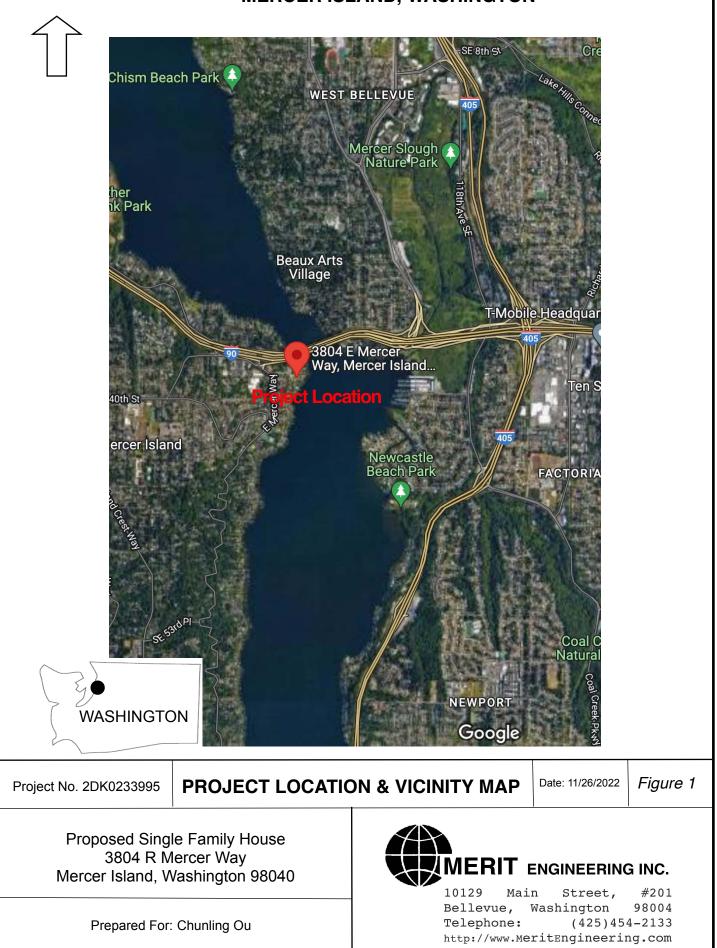
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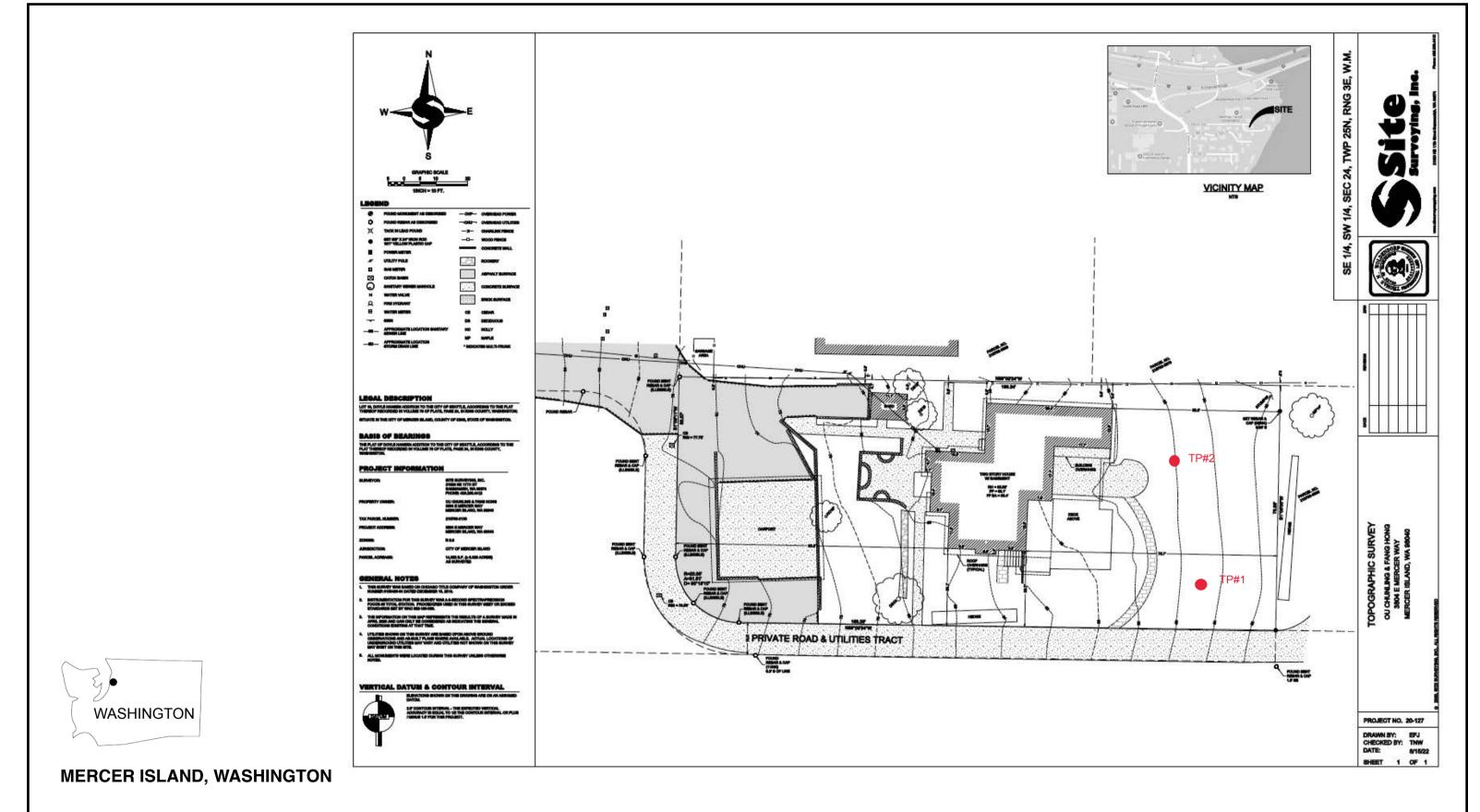
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Figure 1	Project Location and Vicinity
	Site Plan
	USCS Soils Classification Chart



MERCER ISLAND, WASHINGTON





Note: The site plan was based on the map from Site Surveying, Inc.	Proposed Single Family House	SITE PLAN			
	3804 R Mercer Way Mercer Island, Washington 98040	Figure 2	PROJECT NO.	DATE	APPROVED I
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UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM								
MAJOR DIVISIONS				DESCRIPTION				
GRAVELS	GRAVELS	Gravels with less than		GW	Well graded gravels, gra	vel-sand mixtures		
	5% fines		GP	Poorly graded gravels, g	ravel-sand mixtures			
		Gravels with more than 12% fines		GM	Silty gravels, gravel-sand	d-silt mixtures		
AINED ined or	Coarse fraction is larger than No. 4 sieve size SANDS SANDS UCT SANDS COARSE fraction			GC	Clayey gravels, gravel-s	and-clay mixtures		
SANDS	SANDS	Sands with less than 5% fines		sw	Well graded sands, grav	velly sands		
COAR: than 50	more than 50% coarse fraction		0000000	SP	Poorly graded sands, gra	avelly sands		
more	is smaller than No. 4 sieve size	Sands with more than		SM	Silty sands, sand-silt mix	tures		
		12% fines		SC	Clayey sands, sand-clay			
sieve	SILTS AN	ID CLAYS	IIII	ML	clayey fine sands, or clay	ry fine sands, rock flour, silty or or clayey silts with slight plasticity		
#200 solls	Liquid Limit	less than 50		CL	Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, or lean clays			
INED S Assing	assing a			OL	Organic clays and organic silty clays of low plasticity			
Liquid Limit less than 50 Liquid Limit less than 50 SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid Limits greater than 50			мн	Inorganic silts, micaceou or silty soils, elastic silts	s or diatomacious fine, sandy			
			СН	H Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays				
more				OH Organic clays of medium to high plasticity, organic silts				
	HIGHLY ORGANIC	SOILS		PT Peat and other highly organic soils				
	UNCONTROLLED FILL			Uncontrolled, with highly variable constituents				
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SPLIT SPOON SAMPLER					VATER TABLE			
SHELBY TUBE SAMPLER			Q PENETROMETER READING TSF (tons per square foot)					
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