

Our Ref.: DD82 Lot 1114 & VL Your Ref.: TPB/A/NE-TKL/761

The Secretary, Town Planning Board, 15/F, North Point Government Offices, 333 Java Road, North Point, Hong Kong



<u>By Email</u>

7 August 2024

Dear Sir,

1st Further Information

Proposed Temporary Open Storage of Construction Material and Machinery with Ancillary Facilities for a Period of 3 Years and Associated Filling of Land <u>in "Agriculture" Zone, Various Lots in D.D. 82, Ta Kwu Ling, New Territories</u>

(S.16 Planning Application No. A/NE-TKL/761)

We are writing to submit further information to address departmental comments of the subject application (**Appendix I**).

Should you require more information regarding the application, please contact our Mr. Danny NG or the undersigned at your convenience. Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of R-riches Property Consultants Limited

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Responses-to-Comments

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(i) A RtoC Table:

	Departmental Comments	Applicant's Responses		
1. C	omments of the Commissioner for Transport	(C for T)		
(a)	The applicant shall advise the management/control measures to be implemented to ensure no queuing of vehicles outside the subject site	As the application site (the Site) is proposed for 'open storage' use with no shopfront, no visitor is anticipated at the Site and only the applicant's fleets will be allowed to enter/exit the Site. As the vehicular trips could be strictly controlled by the applicant, queuing of vehicles outside the Site will not be anticipated. Staff will also be deployed at the ingress/egress of the Site to direct vehicles entering and exiting the Site. Sufficient space is also reserved for smooth manoeuvring within the Site to ensure that no queuing of vehicle outside the Site at any time during the planning approval period.		
(b)	The applicant shall advise the provision and management of pedestrian facilities to ensure pedestrian safety; and	Staff will be deployed by the applicant to direct vehicle entering/exiting the Site. 'Beware of pedestrians' signs would also be erected to ensure pedestrian safety to/from the Site.		
(c) 2. C	The proposed vehicular access between Ping Che Road and the application site is not managed by TD. The applicant should seek comments from the responsible party.	Noted. orth, Drainage Services Department (CE/MN,		
DSD)				
(a)	Flooding complaints have been recorded based on our records. It is revealed that the area adjoining the application site is subject to overland flows and/or regular flooding.	A drainage proposal is prepared by the applicant to mitigate the flooding susceptibility of the area (Annex I). According to the result of the drainage proposal, with		



	Unless the applicant can submit satisfactory drainage proposal to mitigate the flooding susceptibility of the area to my satisfaction, I do not support the application.	the implementation of the proposed drainage system, adverse drainage impact to the surrounding area is <u>not</u> anticipated.
(b)	The site is in an area where public sewerage connection is not available. EPD should be consulted regarding the sewage impact assessment and sewage treatment/disposal facilities for the proposed development.	Majority of the Site is proposed of 'open storage' use, while the remaining area is proposed for circulation of vehicles. Please be informed that no structure and washroom is proposed at the Site, therefore, adverse sewerage impact to the surrounding area should not be anticipated.
3. C	omments of the Director of Agriculture, Fishe	ries and Conservation (DAFC)
(a)	The subject site falls within the "AGR" zone and is generally abandoned. The agricultural activities are active in the vicinity, and agricultural infrastructures such as road access and water source are also available. The subject site can be used for agricultural activities such as open-field cultivation, greenhouses, plant nurseries, etc. As the subject site possesses potential for agricultural rehabilitation, the proposed development is not supported from agricultural perspective.	The Site has been left vacant for decades without agricultural use. Although agricultural infrastructures are available in the vicinity of the Site, portion of the Site has been hard-paved, which is considered not suitable for agricultural activities. Therefore, approval of the current application on a temporary basis of 3 years would better utilize deserted agricultural land in the New Territories and would not frustrate the long- term planning intention of the "Agriculture" zone. The applicant will reinstate the Site to a state that is suitable for agricultural use after the planning approval period.
4. C	omments of the Chief Town Planner/Urban	Design and Landscape, Planning Department
(0	TP/UD&L, PlanD)	
Com	ments received on 23/07/2024	
(a)	Having reviewed the submitted RtC by the applicant, it is noted that there is no old and valuable tree or protected species identified within the site. All existing trees within the site are proposed to be felled, however, no information and proposed treatment on existing trees are provided. 4 nos. of new trees (i.e. Senna surattensis) are proposed along the east and west periphery boundary of the site C as shown in Annex II – Landscape Proposal.	A revised landscape proposal is submitted by the applicant to provide landscape mitigation measures for the proposed development (Annex II).



(b)	The applicant is advised to provide basic	
	information (e.g. numbers, species, size, general conditions and tree photos) on	
	existing trees within and along the site	
	boundary, and proposed tree treatments	
	for TPB's consideration.	
(c)	Annex II Landscape Proposal – "1" is	It is revised accordingly.
	indicated at "No. of new trees will be	
	planted" and is inconsistent with the	
	illustration of trees (i.e. N1 to N4) on plan.	
	Please review and rectify.	
(d)	The applicant is advised to provide larger	Larger tree pit (i.e. around 1.2m (W) x 1.2m
	tree pit (i.e. around 1.2m (W) x 1.2m (L) x $$	(L) x 1.2m (D)) will be provided to sustain the
	1.2m (D)) to sustain the growth of new trees	growth of new trees. Continuous soil trench
	wherever appropriate. As tree N2 and N3 are close to each other, the applicant is	for tree N2 and N3 will also be provided for better root growth
	advised to provide continuous soil trench/	better root growth.
	planter for better root growth.	
(e)	The applicant should be advised that	Noted.
	approval of the application does not imply	
	approval of tree works such as pruning,	
	transplanting and felling. The applicant is reminded to seek approval for any	
	proposed tree works from relevant	
	authority prior to commencement of the	
	works.	
	ments received on 08/07/2024	
(a)	Landscape Observations and Comments	
	With reference to the aerial photo of 2023,	According to our site visit conducted in June
	the application site is located in an area of	2024, no old and valuable tree or protected
	rural inland plains landscape character	species has been identified at the Site. Due
	comprising of open storages, temporary	to the proposed hard-paving works for open
	structures, vegetated areas, clusters of tree	storage and circulation purpose, all existing
	groups, and woodlands within the "Green Belt" zones at the northeast. Based on our	trees will be affected, and it is not proposed to retain any of the existing trees at the Site.
	site records taken on 20.6.2024, the portion	to retain any of the existing trees at the Sile.
	of application site to the west is mainly	A landscape proposal is submitted by the
	occupied by self-seeded vegetation, wild	applicant to provide landscape mitigation
	grasses and some temporary structures.	measures for the proposed development



	The portion of application site in the middle is covered by self-seeded vegetation, wild grasses and trees of undesirable and common species. The portion of application site to the east is mostly hard paved with some trees of common species within site boundary. A medium to large sized tree, Celtis sinensis, is observed at the western periphery of the eastern site. However, tree information, proposed tree treatment and landscape treatment/ mitigation measures are not provided. Potential impact on the landscape resources cannot be reasonably	(Annex II). <u>4</u> new trees (N1 to N4) are proposed to be planted along the east and west periphery boundary of Site C as indicated on plan, to minimise adverse visual impact to the adjoining receivers. All these new trees within the Site will be maintained by the applicant during the planning approval period.
(b)	ascertained. Detailed Comment / Advisory Comment	
	The applicant is advised to provide basic information (e.g. species, size, general conditions and tree photos) on existing trees within and along the site boundary, proposed tree treatments and mitigation measures for TPB's consideration.	
(c)	According to the application form and Plan 6, the entire application site is proposed to be filled with concrete. The applicant is advised to review the extent of land filling to avoid damage to the existing trees as far as practicable.	
(d)	With reference to Para. 3.5 of the Supplementary Statement, 2.5m high solid metal wall are proposed along the site boundary. The applicant is reminded to offset the proposed metal wall from the existing trees to avoid damage to the trees.	
(e)	The applicant should be advised that approval of the application does not imply approval of tree works such as pruning, transplanting and felling. The applicant is reminded to seek approval for any proposed tree works from relevant	



	departments prior to commencement of the works.	
	omments of the District Lands Officer/North,	• • • •
(a)	She has adverse comments on the application.	Noted. The unauthorized structures erected on the concerned lot (i.e. Lot 1110 S.A in D.D.82) will be demolished by the applicant
(b)	The Site comprises Old Schedule Agricultural Lots held under the Block Government Lease which contains the restriction that no structures are allowed to be erected without the prior approval of the Government. No right of access via Government land is granted to the application site.	after planning approval has been obtained from the Town Planning Board to facilitate the proposed scheme. The applicant will strictly follow the proposed scheme, no structure will be erected on the application site during the planning approval period.
(c)	Her office noted that no structure is proposed in the subject planning application but unauthorized structures are erected on the Site as mentioned below:	
(d)	The following irregularity covered by the subject planning application has been detected by her office: Unauthorized structures within Lot No. 1110 S.A in D.D 82 covered by the planning application.	
(e)	LandsD has reservation on the planning application since there are unauthorized structures on Lot No. 1110 S.A in D.D 82 which are already subject to lease enforcement actions according to case priority. The lot owner should rectify the lease breaches as demanded by LandsD.	



Drainage Proposal

Jul 2024

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1. Introduction

1.1 Background

- 1.1.1 The applicant seeks planning permission from the Town Planning Board (the Board) to use Lots 1110 S.A (Part), 1114 (Part), 1118 (Part) and 1119 S.A in D.D. 82, Ta Kwu Ling, New Territories (the Site) for 'Proposed Temporary Open Storage of Construction Material and Machinery with Ancillary Facilities for a Period of 3 Years and Associated Filling of Land'.
- 1.1.2 This Drainage Proposal aim to support the development in drainage aspect.

1.2 The Site

- 1.2.1 The Sites are in vicinity of Ping Che Road. It has a total area of about 2,255m². The sites are already fully paved. The site location plan is shown in **Figure 1**.
- 1.2.2 The existing site ground levels are +9.4 mPD. The site is proposed to maintain the current site levels.
- 1.2.3 There is an existing U-channel at the south of Site A. An existing steam is running from east to the west at the south of Site B and Site C. Existing Drainage Plan are shown in **Figure 2** for reference.
- 1.2.4 Proposed Development Layout plan is shown in **Appendix B** for reference.

2. Development Proposal

2.1 The Proposed Development

2.1.1 The total site area is approximately 2,255 m². The indicative development schedule is summarized in **Table 1** below for technical assessment purpose. The catchment plan is shown in **Figure 4**.

Proposed Development		
Total Site Area (m ²) 2,255		
- Site A (m ²)	487	
- Site B (m ²)	924	
- Site C (m ²)	844	

Table 1 - Key Development Parameters

3. Assessment Criteria

3.1.1 The Recommended Design Return Period based on Flood Level from SDM (Table 10) is adopted for this DIA. The recommendation is summarized in **Table 2** below.

Description	Design Return Periods
Intensively Used Agricultural Land	2 – 5 Years
Village Drainage Including Internal Drainage System under a polder Scheme	10 Years
Main Rural Catchment Drainage Channels	50 Years
Urban Drainage Trunk System	200 Years
Urban Drainage Branch System	50 Years

Table 2– Design Return Periods under SDM

3.1.2 The proposed drainage system intended to collect runoff from internal site and external catchment.1 in 10 years return period is adopted for the drainage design.

- 3.1.3 Stormwater drainage design will be carried out in accordance with the criteria set out in the Stormwater Drainage Manual published by DSD. The proposed design criteria to be adopted for design of this stormwater drainage system and factors which have been considered are summarised below.
 - 1. Intensity-Duration-Frequency Relationship The Recommended Intensity-Duration-Frequency relationship is used to estimate the intensity of rainfall. It can be expressed by the following algebraic equation.

$$i = \frac{a}{(t_d + b)^c}$$

The site is located within the North District Zone. Therefore, for 10 years return period, the following values are adopted.

а	=	454.9
b	=	3.44
С	=	0.412
		(Corrigendum_No.1_2024)

2. The peak runoff is calculated by the Rational Method i.e. $Q_p = 0.278$ CiA

where	Q_p	=	peak runoff in m ³ /s
	С	=	runoff coefficient (dimensionless)
	i	=	rainfall intensity in mm/hr
	А	=	catchment area in km ²

3. The run-off coefficient (C) of surface runoff are taken as follows:

1.	Paved Area:	C = 0.95
2.	Unpaved Area:	C = 0.35

4. Manning's Equation is used for calculation of velocity of flow inside the channels:

Manning's Equation:
$$v = \frac{R^{\frac{1}{6}}}{n} R^{\frac{1}{2}} S_f^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Where,

V = velocity of the pipe flow (m/s)S_f = hydraulic gradient n = manning's coefficient R = hydraulic radius (m)

5. Colebrook-White Equation is used for calculation of velocity of flow inside the pipes:

Colebrook-White E	quatior	ו:	$\underline{v} = -\sqrt{32gRS} \log \log \left(\frac{k_s}{14.8R} + \frac{1.255v}{R\sqrt{32gRS_f}}\right)$
where,	V S _f v D R	= = = =	velocity of the pipe flow (m/s) hydraulic gradient roughness value (m) kinematics viscosity of fluid pipe diameter (m) hydraulic radius (m)

4. Proposed Drainage System

4.1. Proposed UChannel

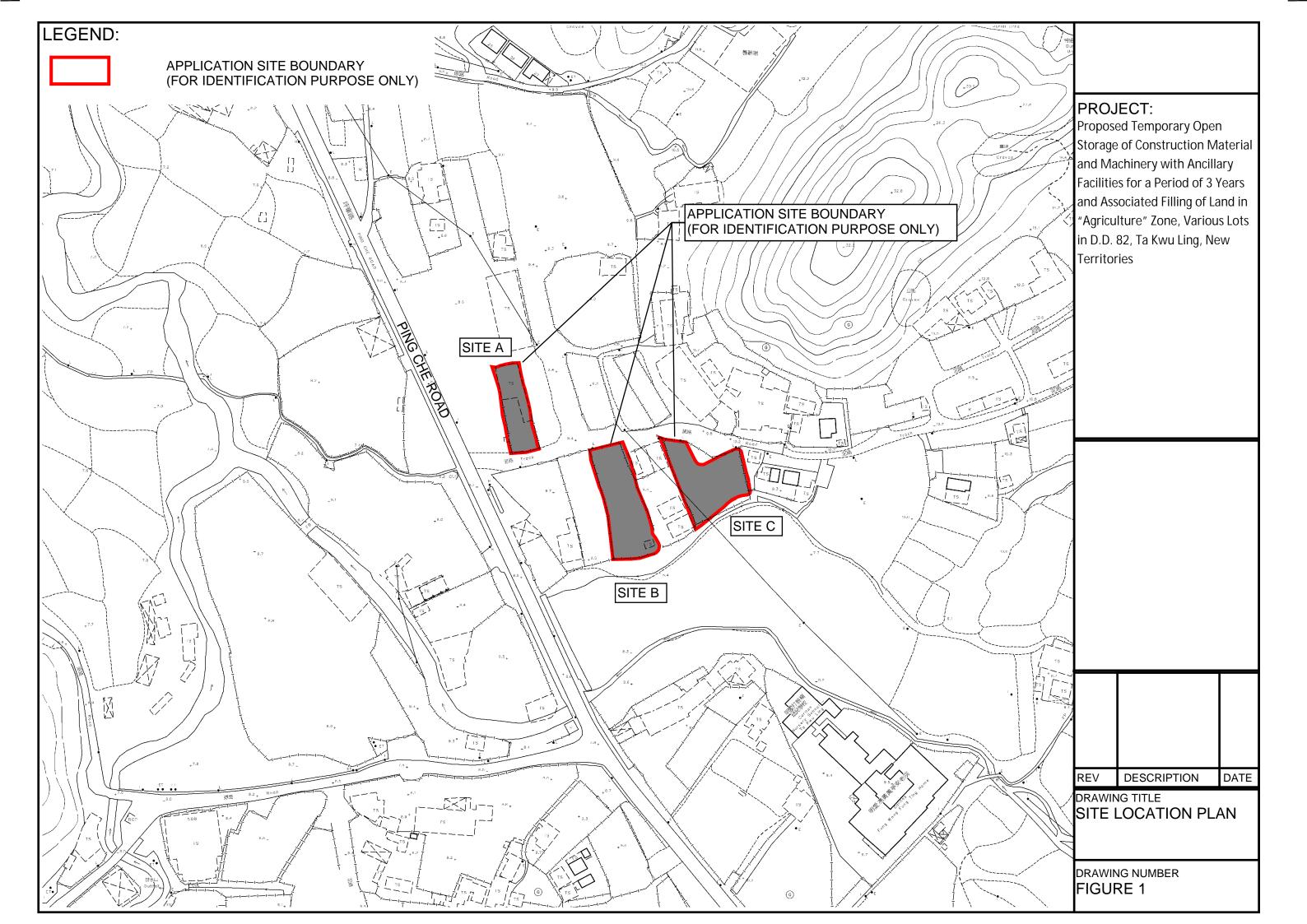
- 4.1.1 Proposed U-channels are designed for collection of runoff within and near the Development Site. Please refer to the **Figure 4** for proposed catchment plan. The U-channels are proposed to be connect and discharge to existing channel/stream. The design calculations of proposed UChannels are shown in **Appendix A**.
- 4.1.2 The alignment, size, gradient and details of the proposed drains are shown in **Figure 3**.
- 4.1.3 The reference standard drawings of drains are shown in **Appendix C**.

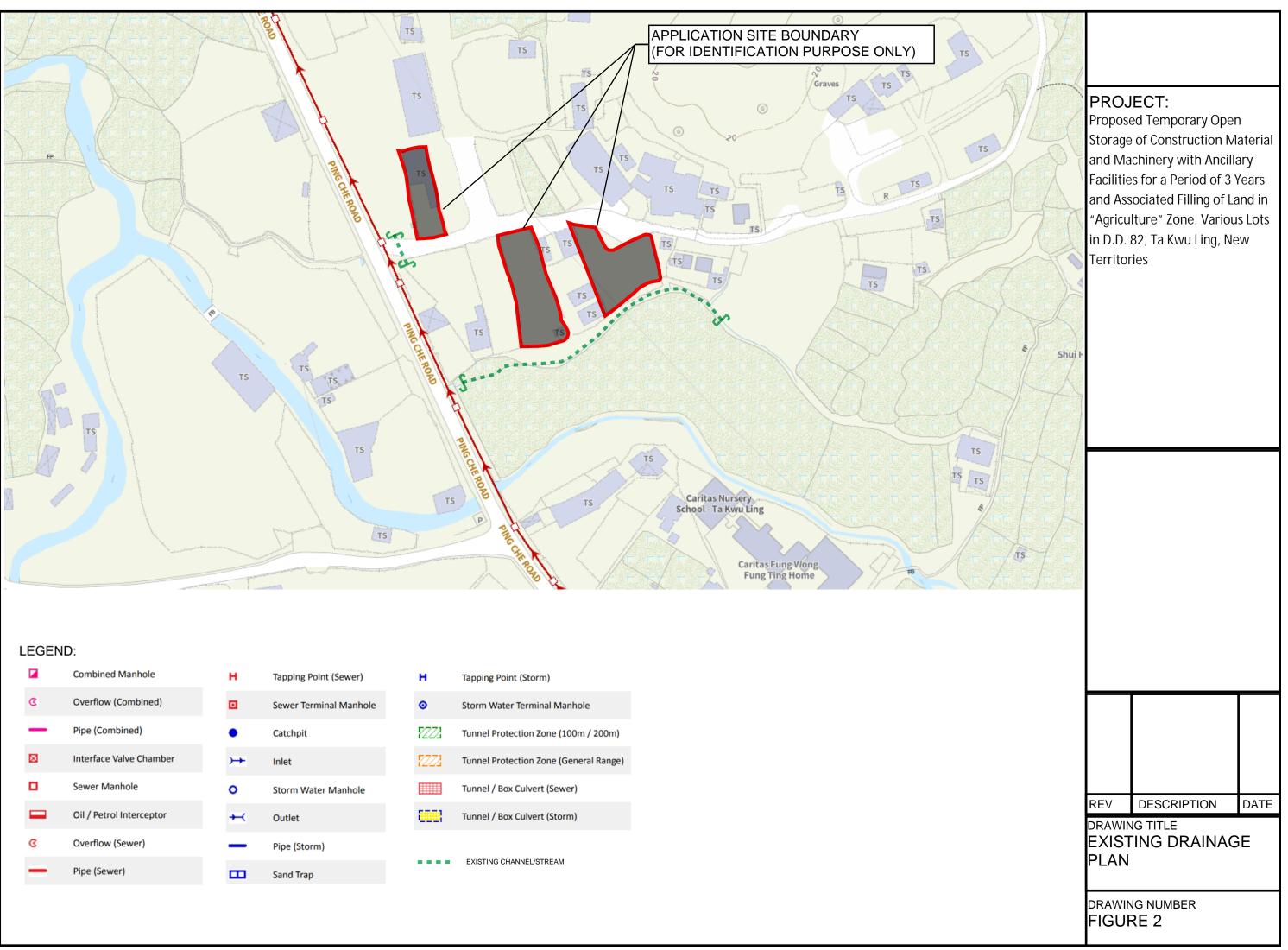
5. Conclusion

5.1.1 Drainage study has been conducted for the Proposed Development. With implementation of proposed drainage system, no adverse drainage impact is anticipated.

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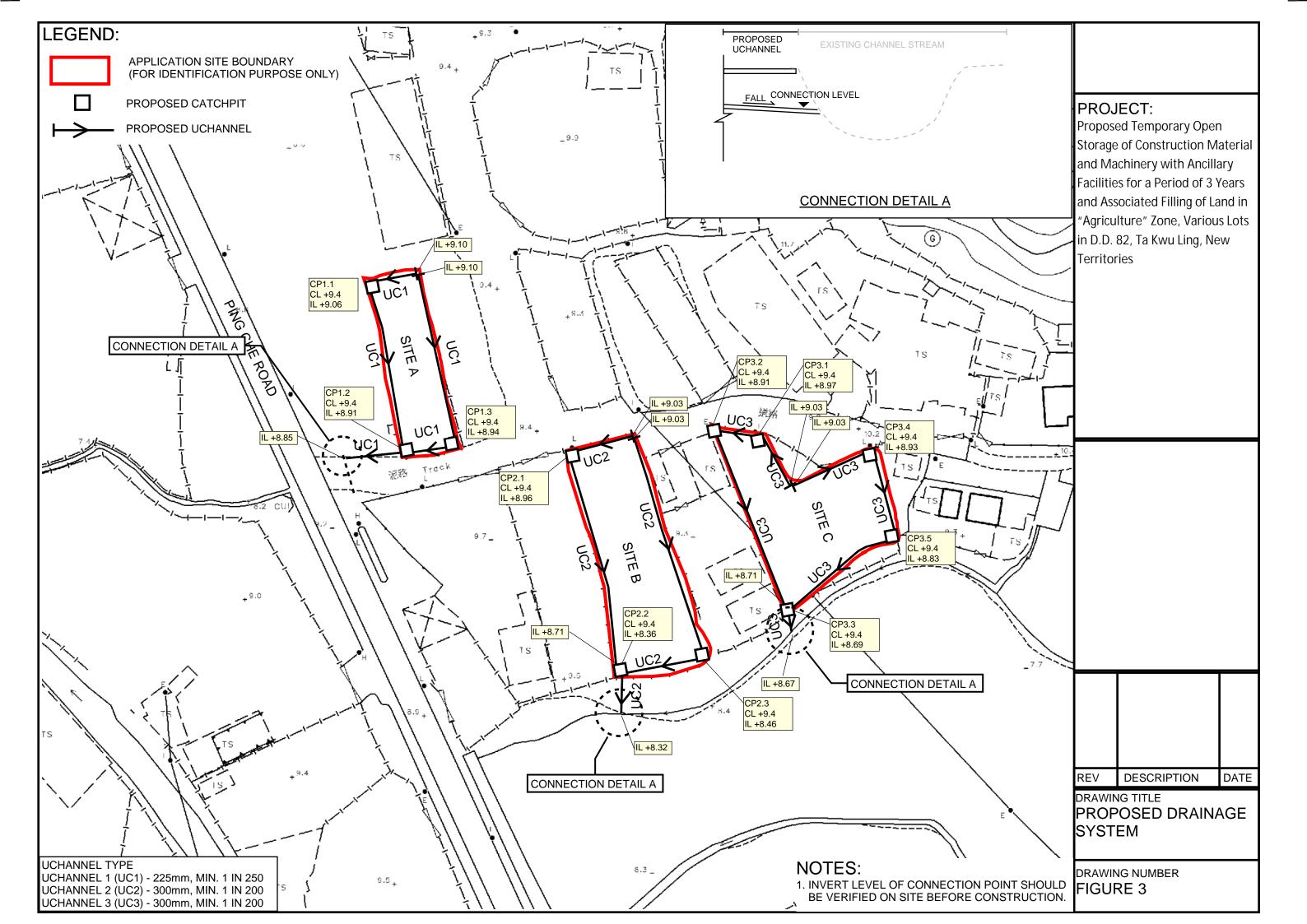
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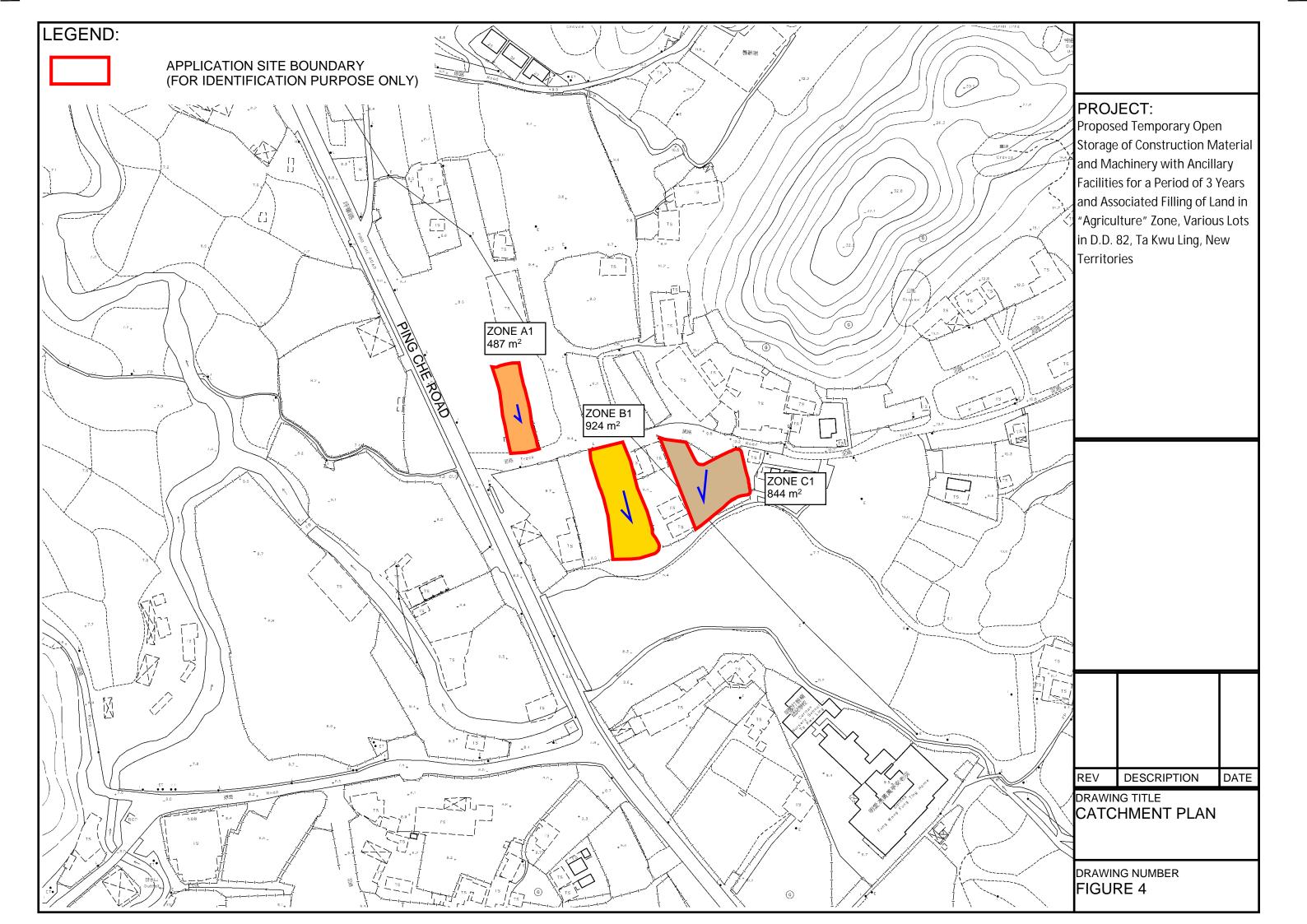




	Combined Manhole				
ъ	Overflow (Combined)				
—	Pipe (Combined)				
	Interface Valve Chamber				
	Sewer Manhole				
-	Oil / Petrol Interceptor				
D	Overflow (Sewer)				
-	Pipe (Sewer)				

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۰	Sewer Terminal Manhole	•	Storm Water Ter
•	Catchpit	7222	Tunnel Protectio
≻	Inlet	7 <i>773</i>	Tunnel Protectio
•	Storm Water Manhole		Tunnel / Box Cul
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_	Pipe (Storm)		EXISTING CHANNI
-	Sand Trap		

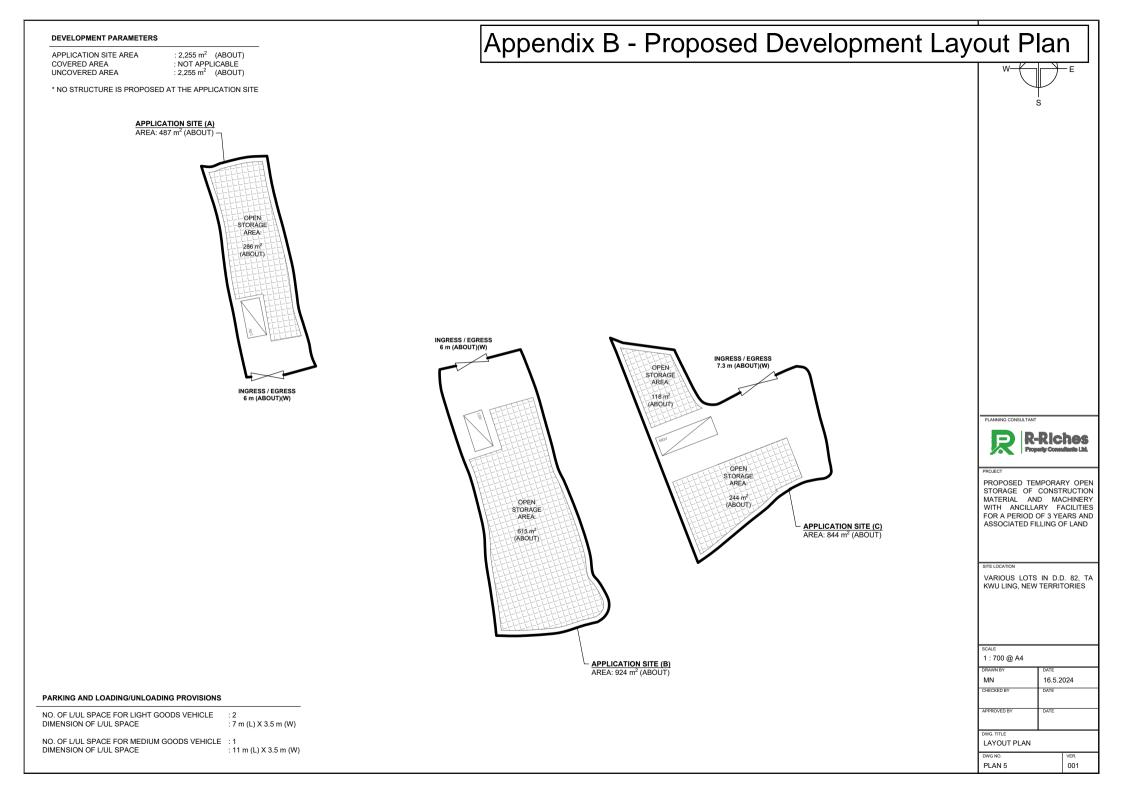




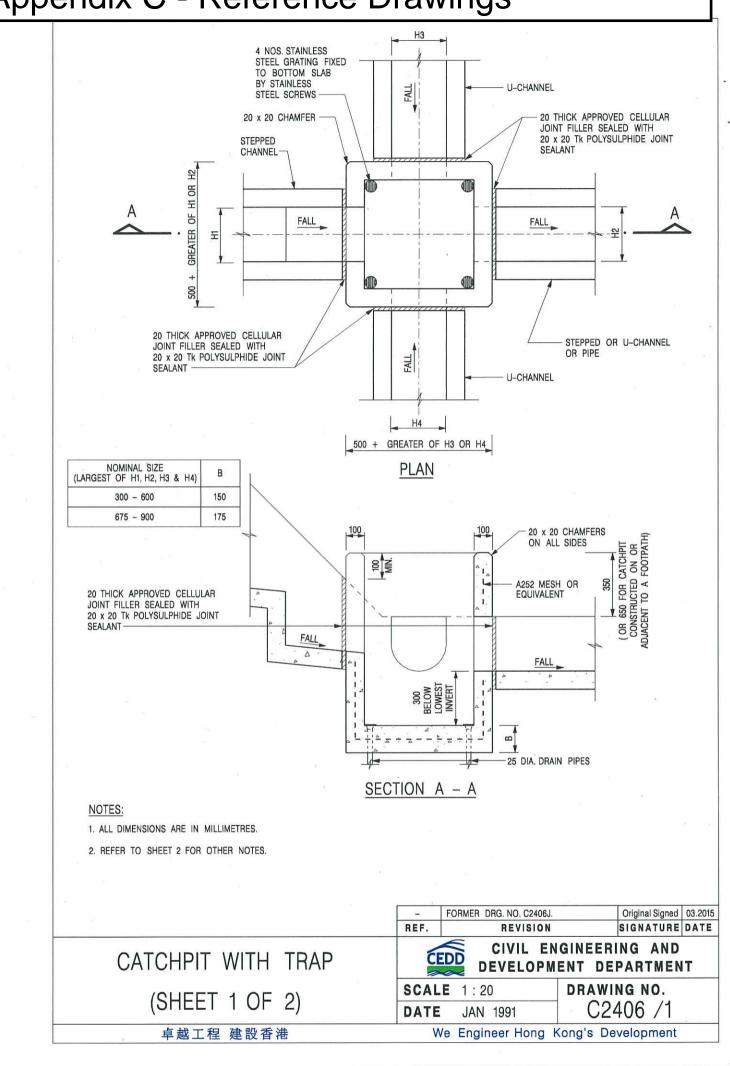
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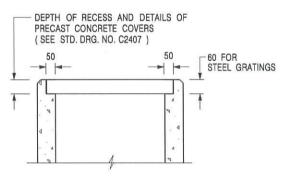
Appendix A - Channel Design Calculation

Runoff Estimation						
Design Return Period		1 in	10	years		
Paved Area	487 =	1 111	487	(m2)		
Unpaved Area	407 -		0	(m2)		a
Total Equivalent Area	487 x 0.95 + 0 x 0.35 =		463	(m2)		$* i = \frac{a}{(t_d + b)^c}$
Time of Concentration	407 x 0.35 + 0 x 0.35 =		5	min		$(t_d + b)^c$
Rainfall Intensity, I *			189	mm/hr		
Design Discharge Rate, Q	0.278 x 463 x 189 / 1000000 =		0.024	m3/s		
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U Channel						
Channel Size			225	(mm)		
Gradient		1 in	250	```		
Area	π x 0.23 ² /8 + 0.23 x 0.23/2 =		0.045	(m2)		
Wetted Perimeter	π x 0.23 / 2 + 0.23/2 x 2 =		0.578	(m)		
R	0.045 / 0.578 =		0.104	(m)		
Velocity			0.72	m/s		
Capacity			0.033	m3/s		
Utilization	0.024 / 0.033	=	74.42	%	ОК	(less than 90%, for 10% siltation allowance)
U Channel 2 (Zone A2)						
Runoff Estimation						
Design Return Period		1 in	10	years		
Paved Area	924 =		924	(m2)		
Unpaved Area			0	(m2)		a
Total Equivalent Area	924 x 0.95 + 0 x 0.35 =		878	(m2)		$\star i = \frac{a}{(t_d + b)^c}$
Time of Concentration			5	min		$(t_d + b)^c$
Rainfall Intensity, I *			189	mm/hr		
Design Discharge Rate, Q	0.278 x 0 x 189 / 1000000 =		0.046	m3/s		
U Channel						
Channel Size			300	(mm)		
Gradient		1 in	200			
Area	$\pi \times 0.3^{2}/8 + 0.3 \times 0.3/2 =$		0.080	(m2)		
Wetted Perimeter	$\pi \times 0.3 / 2 + 0.3 / 2 \times 2 =$		0.771	(m)		
R	0.08 / 0.771 =		0.104	(m)		
Velocity Capacity			0.98 0.079	m/s m3/s		
· · ·	0.010/0.070				ОК	(I I
Utilization	0.046 / 0.079	=	58.64	%	ÜK	(less than 90%, for 10% siltation allowance)
U Channel 3 (Zone A3)						
Runoff Estimation						
Design Return Period		1 in	10	years		
Paved Area	844 =		844	(m2)		
Unpaved Area	044.005.00.005		0	(m2)		$i = \frac{a}{a}$
Total Equivalent Area	844 x 0.95 + 0 x 0.35 =		802	(m2)		$* i = \frac{a}{(t_d + b)^c}$
Time of Concentration			5	min		
Rainfall Intensity, I *	0.078 x 800 x 400 / 4000000		189	mm/hr		
Design Discharge Rate, Q	0.278 x 802 x 189 / 1000000 =		0.042	m3/s		
U Channel				ı		
			300	(mm)		
Channel Size		4 1-		(mm)		
Gradient	TT V 0 202 /9 + 0 2 ·· 0 2/2 -	1 in	200	(m2)		
Area Wetted Perimeter	$\pi \times 0.3^{2}/8 + 0.3 \times 0.3/2 =$ $\pi \times 0.3/2 + 0.3/2 \times 2 =$		0.080 0.771	(m2)		
R	$\pi \times 0.3/2 + 0.3/2 \times 2 = 0.08/0.771 =$		0.771 0.104	(m) (m)		
R Velocity	0.00/0.771 =		0.104	(m) m/s		
			0.98	m/s m3/s		
Capacity	ļ		0.079	1110/5		



Appendix C - Reference Drawings





ALTERNATIVE TOP SECTION FOR PRECAST CONCRETE COVERS / GRATINGS

NOTES:

- 1. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETRES.
- 2. ALL CONCRETE SHALL BE GRADE 20 /20.
- 3. CONCRETE SURFACE FINISH SHALL BE CLASS U2 OR F2 AS APPROPRIATE.
- 4. FOR DETAILS OF JOINT, REFER TO STD. DRG. NO. C2413.
- 5. CONCRETE TO BE COLOURED AS SPECIFIED.
- UNLESS REQUESTED BY THE MAINTENANCE PARTY AND AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER, CATCHPIT WITH TRAP IS NORMALLY NOT PREFERRED DUE TO PONDING PROBLEM.
- 7. UPON THE REQUEST FROM MAINTENANCE PARTY, DRAIN PIPES AT CATCHPIT BASE CAN BE USED BUT THIS IS FOR CATCHPITS LOCATED AT SLOPE TOE ONLY AND AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.
- FOR CATCHPITS CONSTRUCTED ON OR ADJACENT TO A FOOTPATH, STEEL GRATINGS (SEE DETAIL 'A' ON STD. DRG. NO. C2405 /2) OR CONCRETE COVERS (SEE STD. DRG. NO. C2407) SHALL BE PROVIDED AS DIRECTED BY THE ENGINEER.
- 9. IF INSTRUCTED BY THE ENGINEER, HANDRAILING (SEE DETAIL 'J' ON STD. DRG. NO. C2405 /5; EXCEPT ON THE UPSLOPE SIDE) IN LIEU OF STEEL GRATINGS OR CONCRETE COVERS CAN BE ACCEPTED AS AN ALTERNATIVE SAFETY MEASURE FOR CATCHPITS NOT ON A FOOTPATH NOR ADJACENT TO IT. TOP OF THE HANDRAILING SHALL BE 1 000 mm MIN. MEASURED FROM THE ADJACENT GROUND LEVEL.
- 10. MINIMUM INTERNAL CATCHPIT WIDTH SHALL BE 1 000 mm FOR CATCHPITS WITH A HEIGHT EXCEEDING 1 000 mm MEASURED FROM THE INVERT LEVEL TO THE ADJACENT GROUND LEVEL. AND, STEP IRONS (SEE DSD STD. DRG. NO. DS1043) AT 300 c/c STAGGERED SHALL BE PROVIDED. THICKNESS OF CATCHPIT WALL FOR INSTALLATION OF STEP IRONS SHALL BE INCREASED TO 150 mm.
- 11. FOR RETROFITTING AN EXISTING CATCHPIT WITH STEEL GRATING, SEE DETAIL 'G' ON STD. DRG. NO. C2405 /4.
- 12. SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE ENGINEER, OTHER MATERIALS CAN ALSO BE USED AS COVERS / GRATINGS.

	A MINOR AMENDMENT.		Original Signed 04.2016			
	BEF.	FORMER DRG. NO. C2406J. REVISION	Original Signed 03.2015			
CATCHPIT WITH TRAP	Œ	CIVIL ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT				
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