GEOTECHNICAL PLANNING REVIEW REPORT

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1. INTRODUCTION

Philip So & Associates Ltd. was appointed to carry out Geotechnical Planning Review Report (GPRR) for the premises at Lot Nos. 332 (part), 333(part), 334(part), 335 (part), 337 (part), 338 (part), 339 (part), 340 (part), 341 (part), 342 (part), 344, 345 (part), 346 (part), 347 (part), 348, 350, 351, 352 (part), 354 (part), 355 (part), 356 (part), 357, 358, 360 (part), 361, 362 (part), 363 (part), 365 (part), and 366 (part) and Adjoining Government Land in DD332L, Cheung Sha, Lantau Island, New Territories

This GPPR is made based on desk study and review of available documentary information and proposed development plan. The geology and site conditions are described. Potential geotechnical constraints are identified in the assessment.

2. THE SITE AND THE FEATURES

The site is at a relatively flat ground at Cheung Sha in Lantau Island. Site photos taken in February 2024 are presented in **Appendix A** (see **Photos A to H**). The site location plan with photo directions is presented in **Figure 1**.

According to the available SIMAR reports retrieved from Lands Department and SIS records obtained from Geotechnical Engineering Office (GEO), there is no registered geotechnical feature lies within or in the vicinity of the site (see **Figure 2**).

3. DESK STUDY

Desk study has been carried out to search and review the existing building records, previous ground investigation data and geotechnical study reports kept by the Geotechnical Information Unit (GIU) of Geotechnical Engineering Office (GEO) and the Buildings Department (BD).

3.1 Geological Maps

The geology of the Study Area is shown on the Hong Kong Geological Survey (HKGS) Map Sheet 13 (Shek Pik), 1:20,000-scale HGM20 series. The local geology of the Study Area is presented in **Figure 4** and described below.

3.1.1 Solid Geology

The 1:20,000 scale geological maps indicated that regional area around the Site is underlain by feldsparphyric rhyolite (rf).

3.1.2 Superficial Geology

The Site is underlain by debris flow deposit (Qd).

3.1.3 Structural Geology

No fault or photolineament has been recorded within or in the vicinity of the Site.

3.2 Enhanced Natural Terrain Landslide Inventory

In 1995, the GEO compiled the Natural Terrain Landslide Inventory (NTLI) from an interpretation of high-altitude (8,000ft and above) aerial photographs dated from 1945 to 1994 (King, 1999). In 2007, the GEO produced an Enhanced Natural Terrain Landslide Inventory (ENTLI) using low-altitude (8,000ft and below) aerial photographs to update the NTLI.

In accordance with GEO Report No. 138 (GEO, 2016), landslides are classed as either "Relict" or "Recent", depending on their appearance in aerial photographs. "Relict" landslides are defined as those where the main scarp is well-defined but vegetation has re-established on the scar on the earliest set of available aerial photographs. "Recent" landslides are defined as having occurred within the timespan of the aerial photograph coverage. These are typically identified as having a light tone on the aerial photographs and are bare of vegetation.

The ENTLI has recorded no relict or recent landslide within the Site (see Figure 3).

3.3 Historical Landslide Catchment (HLC) Inventory

Historical Landslide Catchments (HLCs) have been defined by GEO based on the results of the ENTLI. According to the inventory, no catchment is located at or in the vicinity of the Site (see **Figure 3**).

3.4 Large Landslide Study

The Large Landslide database was prepared by Scott Wilson (1999) for the GEO. Interpretation of landslide details with Map Sheet Ref No. 13-NE-C was conducted using the low altitude (3,900 ft.) 1963 aerial photographs to identify features thought to be landslides with source area greater than 20 m wide. The database has no record of large landslides within or close to the Site.

3.5 Reported Landslide Incidents

The GEO has recorded no landslide incident within the Site. (see **Figure 3**)

3.6 Relevant Previous Ground Investigation Works

There is no previous ground investigation report relevant to the Site.

3.7 DH Orders

No DH Order is present relevant to the features within the Site.

3.8 Stage 2 Studies

According to the GIU, there is no Stage 2 Studies carried out for the features within the Site.

3.9 Stage 3 Studies

According to the GIU, there is no Stage 3 Studies carried out for the features within the Site.

4. IMPACTS OF PROPOSED WORKS ON EXISTING SLOPES/RETAINING WALLS & NATURAL HILLSIDE

4.1 Impacts from the Proposed Works to the Registered Slope Features

As mentioned in Section 2, there is no registered slope feature within or at the vicinity of the application site.

4.2 Impacts from the Proposed Works to the Natural Hillside

As mentioned in Section 3.2 and 3.3, the ENTLI has recorded a no relict or recent landslide and no HLC catchment within the Site. The natural hillside (NH1) (as shown in **Figure 3** and **Photos A, B, C and F**) surrounds from north to east of the application site has an angular elevation more than 20° from the application site (see **Figures 3A and 3B**). The angular elevation is above the 'Alert Criteria' of 20° with respect to the concerned natural hillside according to the GEO Report No. 138 (2nd Edition). In addition, the natural hillside (NH2) located at southwest of the application site may affect by the proposed development (as shown in **Figure 3**). Thus, further study of the natural hillsides is required.

5. CONCLUSION

Based on the above discussion, it can be concluded that the proposed development is considered to be feasible from geotechnical point of view. The construction would be straight forward unlikely posting particular problems to the surrounding area under careful planning, proper execution and vigilant supervision.

It is essential to search and review the background information of existing building, geotechnical features and underground services within and in the vicinity of the site. Site investigation is proposed to reveal/confirm the subsoils and the ground regime within and in the vicinity of the site as well as to determine the engineering properties of subsoils and rock. The ground investigation field works should be preceded under supervision of suitably qualified engineers and technically competent persons conforming the requirements specified in the "Code of Practice for Site Supervision 2009" published by the BD.

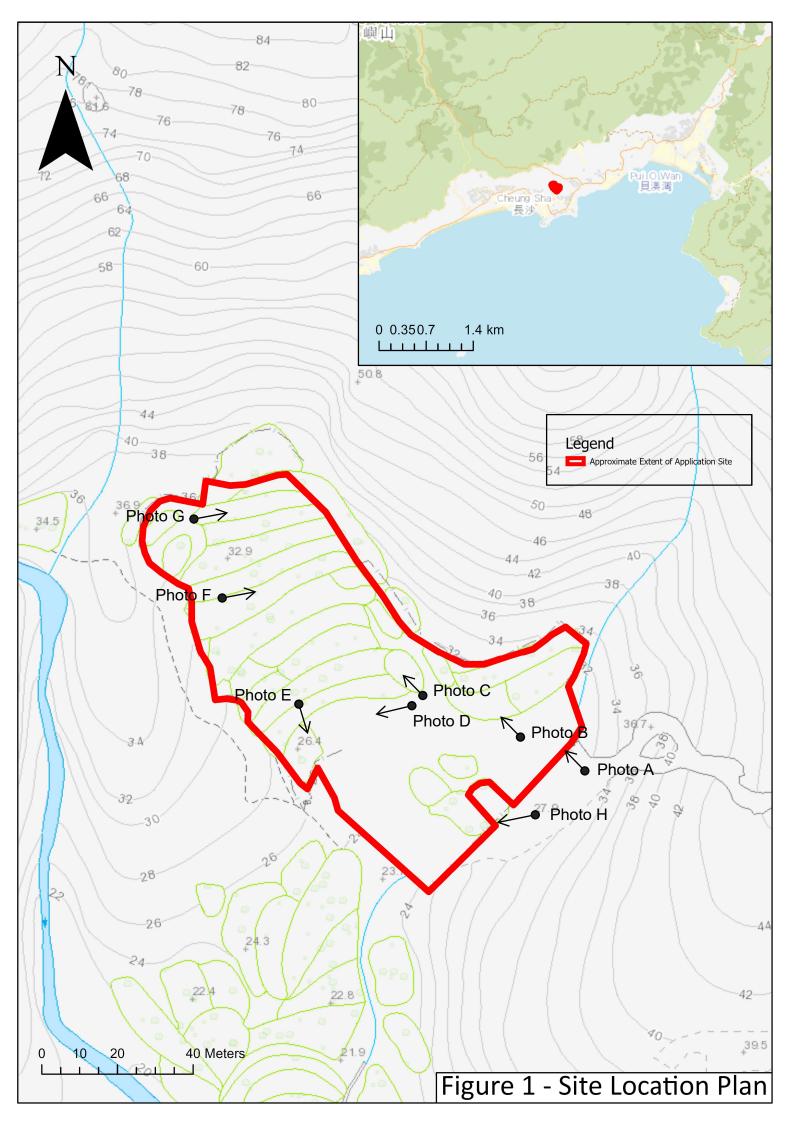
For safety and cost effective, the foundation design and retaining wall stability assessment and excavation planning as well as the design of geotechnical structure should be based on geological horizons inferred from the ground investigation results, groundwater table interpreted from the piezometer/standpipe monitoring records and geotechnical parameters determined and adopted by field and laboratory testing.

A comprehensive precautionary monitoring program including settlement markers, tiling, vibration check points as well as groundwater observation wells shall be implemented to ensure demolition of foundation of existing buildings and substructure construction being carried out safety and soundly.

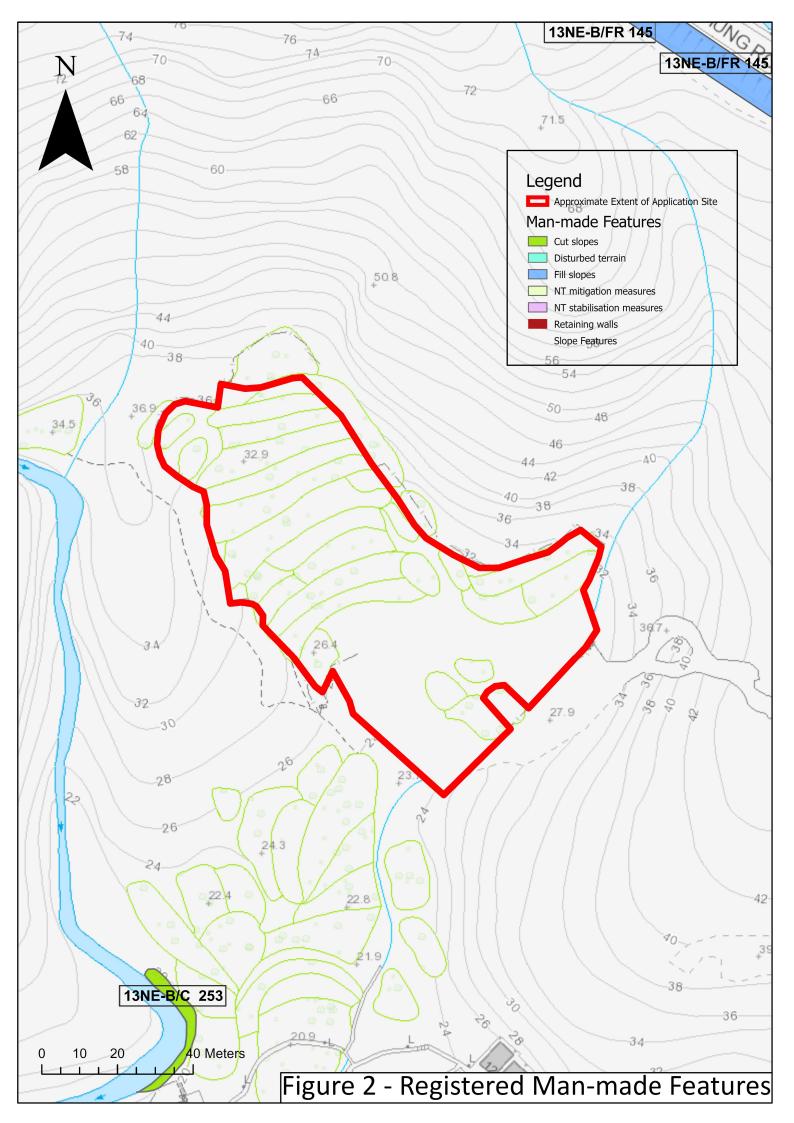
A natural terrain hazard study shall be carried out to assess the potential natural terrain hazard which may pose to the proposed development. The study will be carried out in the next stage of the project.

FIGURES

Site Location Plan



Registered Man-made Features



Past Instabilities

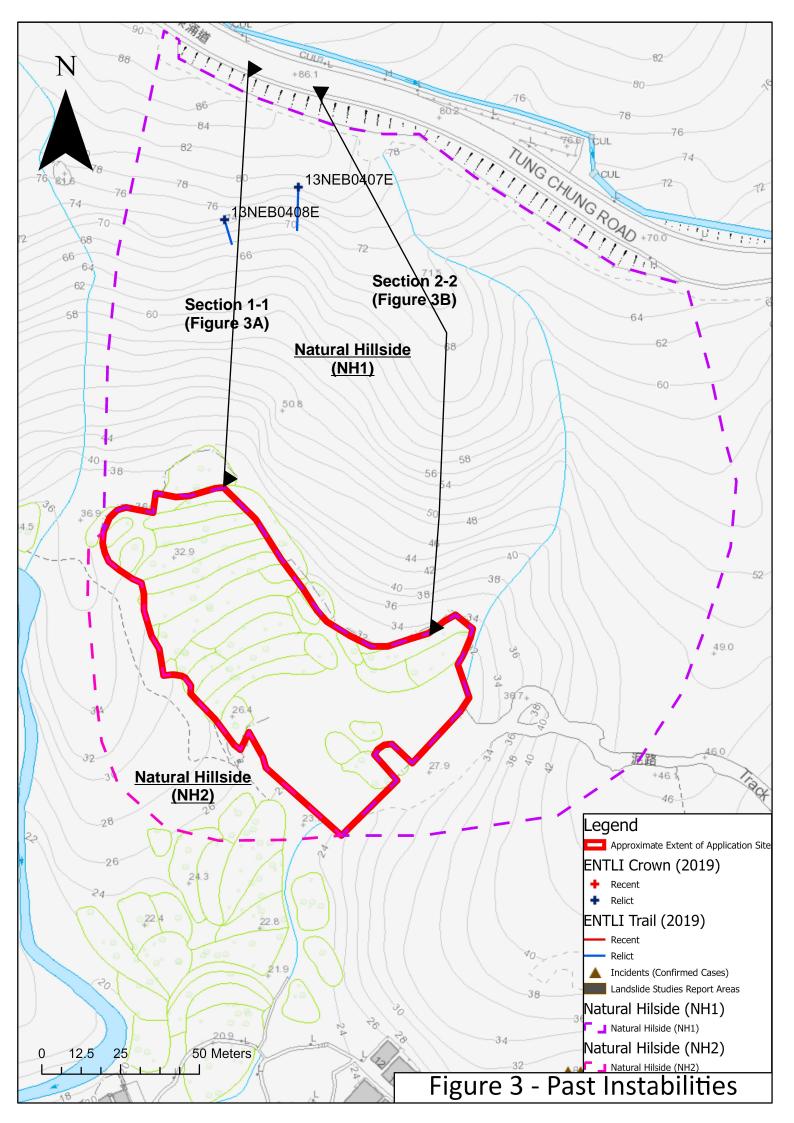


Figure 3A

Section 1-1

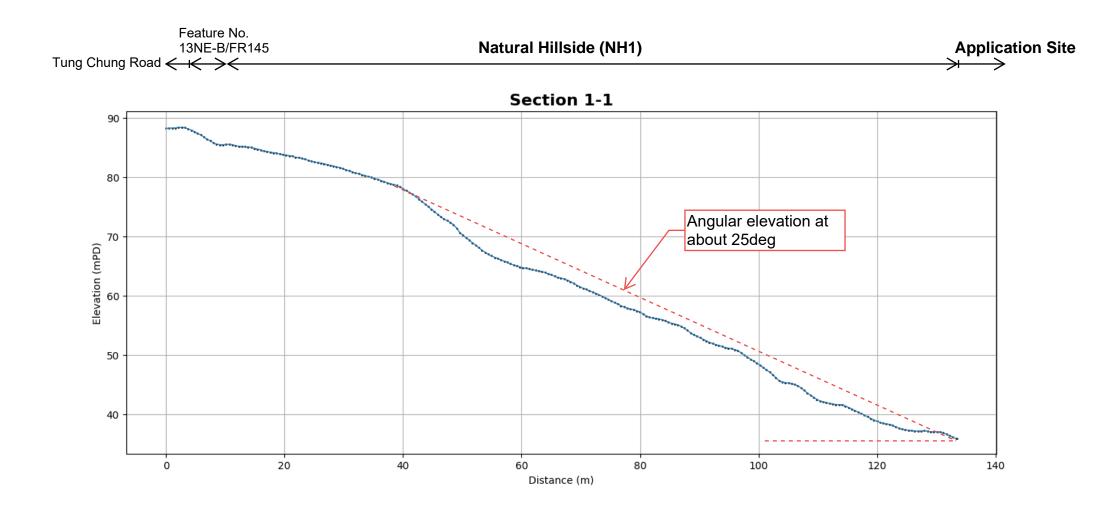


Figure 3A - Section 1-1

Figure 3B

Section 2-2

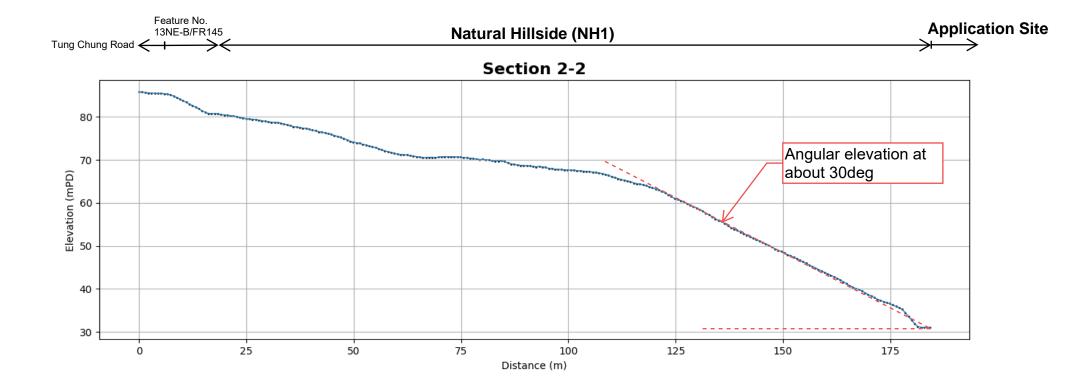
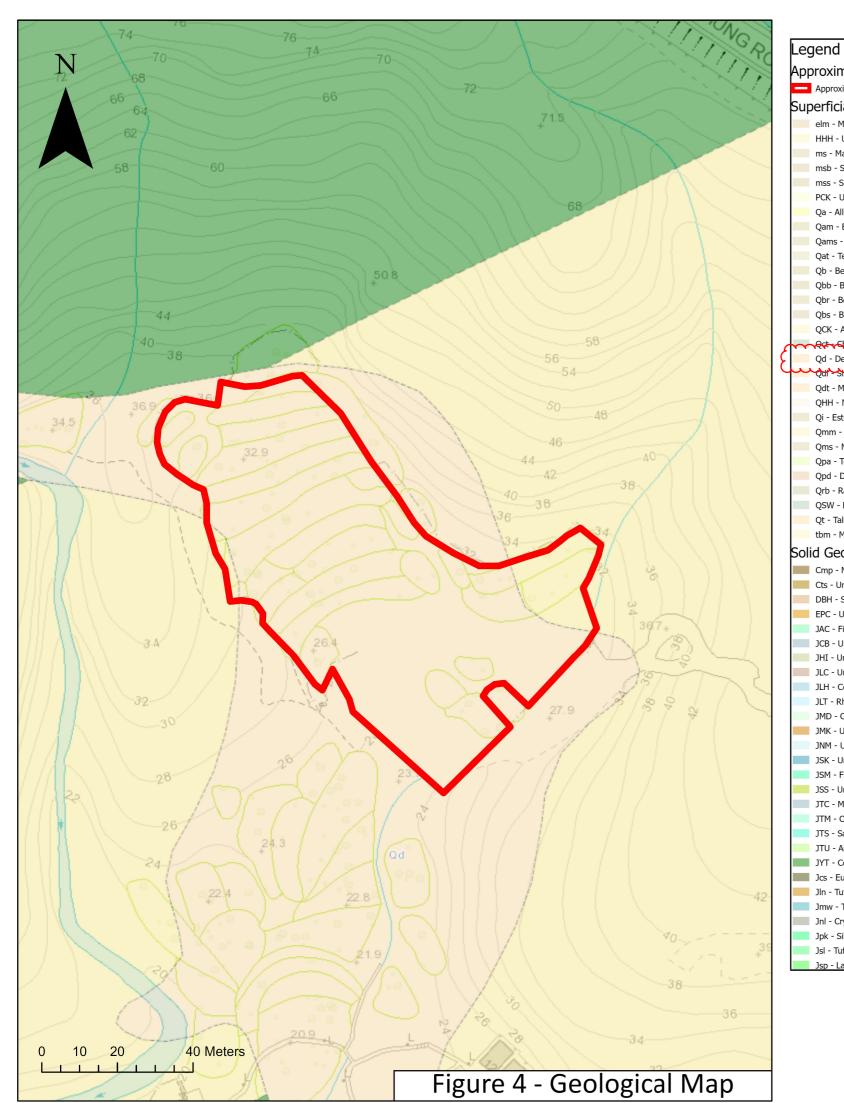
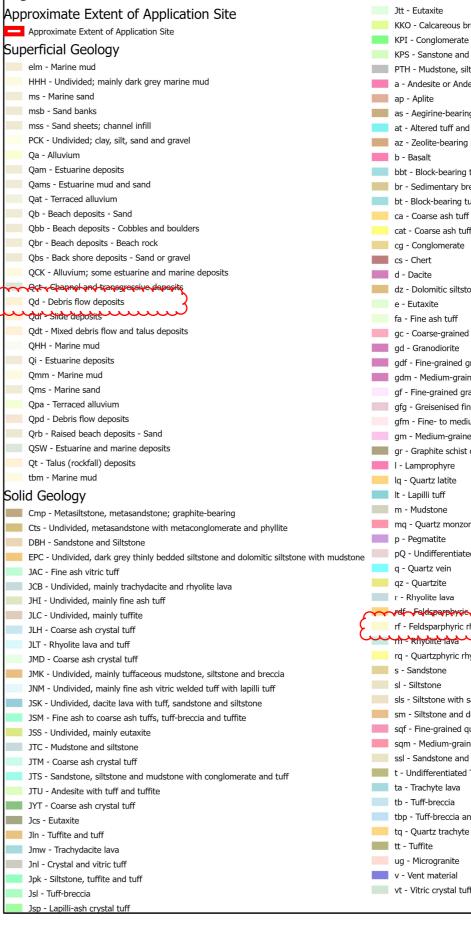


Figure 3B - Section 2-2

Geological Map





- KKO Calcareous breccia with conglomerate and coarse sandstone
- KPI Conglomerate and coarse sandstone with siltstone
 - KPS Sanstone and siltstone with conglomerate; tuffaceous conglomerate and sandstone at its base
- PTH Mudstone, siltstone and sandstone
- a Andesite or Andesite lava
- as Aegirine-bearing siltstone with dolomitic siltstone
- at Altered tuff and sedimentary rock
- az Zeolite-bearing siltstone with aegirine-bearing siltstone
- bbt Block-bearing tuff
- br Sedimentary breccia
- bt Block-bearing tuff and tuffite
- ca Coarse ash tuff
 - cat Coarse ash tuff
- cg Conglomerate
- dz Dolomitic siltstone with calcareous siltstone
- gc Coarse-grained granite, > 6mm
- gdf Fine-grained granodiorite, < 2mm
- gdm Medium-grained granodiorite, 2-6mm
 - gf Fine-grained granite, < 2mm
- gfg Greisenised fine-grained granite
- gfm Fine- to medium-grained granite
- gm Medium-grained granite, 2-6mm
- gr Graphite schist or graphite bed
- lq Quartz latite
- mq Quartz monzonite
- pQ Undifferentiated solid geology (offshore)
- 🗧 q Quartz vein
- - rf Feldsparphyric rhyolite
- Th Rhyolite lava
 - rq Quartzphyric rhyolite
- sls Siltstone with sandstone
- sm Siltstone and dolomitic siltstone with mudstone
- sqf Fine-grained quartz syenite, < 2mm
- sqm Medium-grained quartz syenite, 2-6mm
- ssl Sandstone and siltstone
- t Undifferentiated Tuff and tuffite
- ta Trachyte lava
- tbp Tuff-breccia and pyroclastic breccia
- ug Microgranite
- v Vent material
- vt Vitric crystal tuff

APPENDIX

Appendix A

Photographs



Photo A General view of site entrance at southeast of the Site, looking northwest



Photo B General view of the eastern portion of the Site, looking northwest



Photo C General view of middle portion of the Site, looking northwest



Photo D General view of middle portion of the Site, looking southwest



Photo E General view of southern portion of the Site, looking south



Photo F General view of northern portion of the Site, looking east



Photo G General view of northern end of the Site, looking east



Photo H General view of southern end of the Site, looking west