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SUBJECT: BRS-0317(1) - SR-118 Sevier River Bridge Replacement; Foundation Report on Sevier River Bridge Replacement at Sta. 138+25  $\varnothing$  SR-118

## SITE CONDITIONS

A structure is proposed to replace the existing bridge carrying SR-118 over the Sevier River. The proposed structure will have two spans with prestressed concrete beam construction and will be approximately 85 feet long by 31 feet wide. It will cross the river at an angle of approximately 65 degrees.

## SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

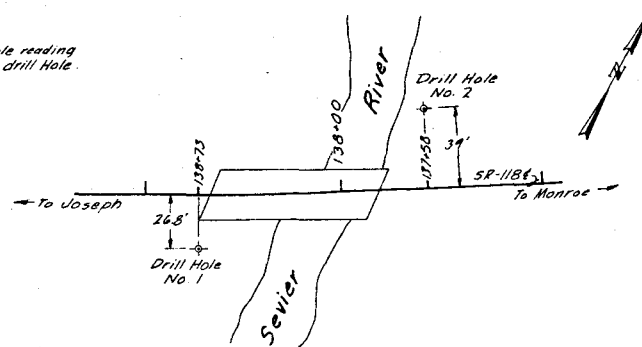
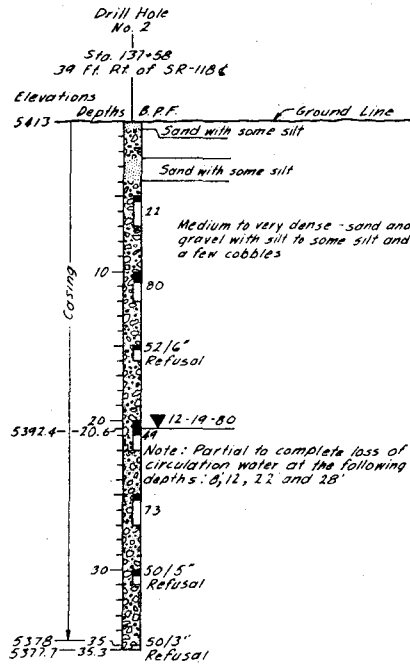
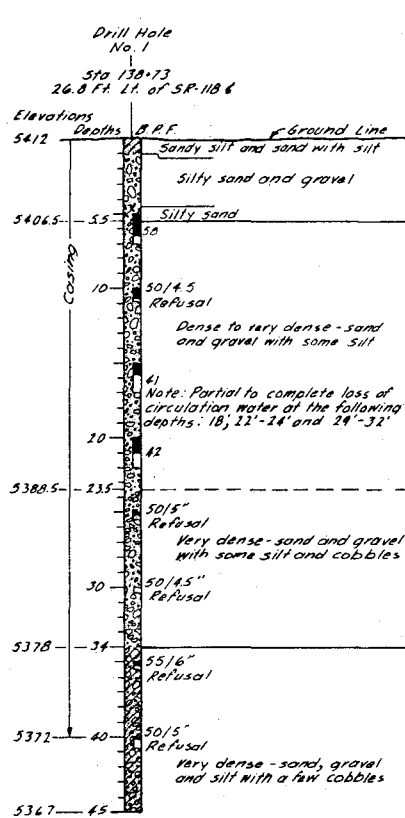
Two test holes were drilled at this site, on either side of the river near the proposed abutments. Test Hole No. 1 reached a depth of 45 feet and Test Hole No. 2 reached 35.3 feet. Correlation between test holes is good and the subsurface materials may be described as follows: From the ground surface to a depth of 5 feet - silty sand with some gravel; from 5 feet to the maximum depth of exploration - medium to very dense sand and gravel with varying amounts of silt and a few cobbles. See Fig. 1, Drilling Log, for more detailed subsoils descriptions and test hole locations.

## FOUNDATION RECOMMENDATIONS

Drilled caissons are recommended to support the abutments and bent on the proposed structure. Drilled caissons, 3.5 feet in diameter, founded in the medium to very dense sand and gravel with silt may be loaded to 60 tons per caisson. See Fig. 2 for the bearing capacities of caissons with other diameters. The caissons should be founded at least 26 feet below the ground surface at the abutments and 23 feet below the channel bottom at the bent. The recommended caisson tip elevation is 5386 feet.

The abutments should be protected with riprap and the caissons at the bent should have a minimum diameter of 3.0 feet to protect against impact by stream load.

All loose material at the bottom of caisson excavations should either be removed or recompacted to its in situ density. Excavations may have to be cased to prevent caving before concrete is placed. Caisson settlement is expected to be less than 1 inch.



**KEY TO DRILLING LOG**  
RELATIVE DENSITY-NON-PLASTIC SAND & SILT:  
VERY LOOSE - LESS THAN 4 BLOWS PER FOOT  
LOOSE - 4 TO 10 BLOWS PER FOOT  
MEDIUM - 10 TO 30 BLOWS PER FOOT  
DENSE - 10 TO 30 BLOWS PER FOOT  
VERY DENSE - MORE THAN 30 BLOWS PER FOOT

CONSISTENCY (PLASTIC SILT & CLAY):  
VERY SOFT - LESS THAN 2 BLOWS PER FOOT  
SOFT - 2 TO 4 BLOWS PER FOOT  
MEDIUM - 4 TO 8 BLOWS PER FOOT  
STIFF - 8 TO 15 BLOWS PER FOOT  
VERY STIFF - 15 TO 30 BLOWS PER FOOT  
HARD - MORE THAN 30 BLOWS PER FOOT

TOPSOIL	IGNEOUS	SANDY CLAY
SOFT FILL	LIMESTONE	CLAY
GRAVEL	CONGLOMERATE	SILT CLAY
SAND	DOLOMITE	CLAY SILT
SILT	SHALE	SANDY SILT
CLAY		SILT SAND
		SANDY SILT

DRILL HOLE NO.	STATION	ELEVATIONS	DEPTHS	GROUND LINE
	0+00 E OR LT OR RE INT			
GROUND ELEVATION				EXAMPLE: TYPICAL STIFF MEDIUM PLASTIC BROWN CLAY, SOME SILT
				LL-PI-W
				IP-7-11
GROUND WATER TABLE	4332			DATE
				5" THIN WALL CUELBY TUBE UNDISTURBED SAMPLER USED
STRATA CHANGE	4346			R - SPLIT BARREL UNDISTURBED SAMPLER WITH LINER RINGS OR CALIFORNIA TYPE SAMPLER
LOCATION OF SAMPLE				
SAMPLE NOT RECOVERED				REASON NOT RECOVERED
BOTTOM OF HOLE	4331			CLASSIFICATION OF EACH SAMPLE AND RESULTS OF CLASSIFICATION TESTS

**ABBREVIATIONS**  
L.L. - LIQUID LIMIT IN %  
P.I. - PLASTIC INDEX  
N.M. - NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT IN %  
W.G. - WELL GRADED  
PEN. - PENETRATION  
G.W.T. - GROUND WATER TABLE  
B.P.F. - BLOWS PER FOOT  
N.P. - NON PLASTIC

NOTE: REFUSAL + 50 OF MORE BLOWS SHF 8"

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FIGURE 1