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Geotechnical Map and Sections (Geotechnical Setbacks) GMU Geotechnical, Inc.

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Gentlemen:

Attached is GMU's updated Geotechnical Map and Sections which illustrate the approximate limits of the geotechnical set-back (15' from the back of the existing seawall) and the "Lateral Spread Mitigation Zone" consisting of 24-inch-diameter rammed aggregate piers at 6' on-center. This "zone" will need to be 20' wide and between 16' to 20' deep per the map and sections shown.

I've also attached a typical layout of these 24-inch-diameter rammed aggregate piers for this mitigation zone.

Please notice that this mitigation zone is present under both building No. 6 and No. M-1. In these two cases the design can utilize the rammed aggregate piers for "double duty" in forming both the mitigation zone and the foundation support for the building in this areas of each structure.

As far as the placement of the utility line trenches between the existing seawall and the proposed buildings, we recommend that, because of the County concerns regarding the sewer lines and potential differential settlement from spaced support of the aggregate piers, consideration should be given to place the sewer trench between the lateral spread mitigation zone and the planned buildings. Since there is a requirement that the water line trench be at least 10-foot-wide separation from the sewer line trench, we recommend that the water line trench be placed within the lateral spread mitigation zone between the rammed aggregate piers in order to keep it safe any influence of lateral spreading. Trenching for the dry utility lines may be placed wherever it is most beneficial to the project site and does not conflict with the wet utility lines. The rammed aggregate piers can be trenched through at any point as long as the trenches are conventionally backfilled with either backfill soils compacted to at least 90% compaction or a 2-sack sand/cement slurry.

Let me know if I can be of any further assistance,

Dave



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