



ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 31, 1984
TO: Sherry Otto
FROM: Tim Greetis
SUBJECT: Preliminary Hydrogeologic Investigation of Wedron/Hoxsey
L09982903

The investigation of the referenced site revolves around the contamination of several residential wells with components characteristic of a hazardous material, originally believed to be gasoline. This memo will provide a brief report concerning this situation.

Introduction/History of Problem

Located in east-central LaSalle County of Illinois is the small community of Wedron. Since April 16, 1982, several residents have complained of gasoline type odors occurring in the water of their private wells. Since then, several water sampling programs of the affected residences occurred along with pressure tests of underground storage tanks in the immediate vicinity of the area of concern. Each tank that was pressure tested revealed no indication of leakage. The drill rig was requested and thus began a preliminary investigation on April 10, 1984 and completed on May 2, 1984. Three (3) monitor wells were installed with a set of water samples collected from these wells fifteen (15) days later. These results are not yet available.

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Method of Study

Drilling was performed using the Agency's CME-55 drill rig for the entire study utilizing 3 1/4 inch inside diameter hollow stem augers. Within the lead auger, a sampling device was used to retrieve a continuous soil specimen for geologic classification and soil sampling for chemical analysis. This sampler consists of three inch diameter split tube with a tapered head which allows retrieval of a 2 1/4 inch diameter nearly undisturbed sample up to a five foot length.

The general locations of proposed monitor wells were determined prior to locating underground utility lines and clearance was then obtained at those specific points. Three wells were installed, arranged such that a hydraulic gradient could be determined. In all three borings, subsurface lithologies were visually classified using the Sheppard System and are not the result of laboratory classification tests (See Figure). In borings 2 and 3, which represent wells G101 and G102 respectively, no evidence of soil contamination was encountered during drilling. Also, no obvious odors occurred either. In boring 4 (same location as B5/G103), odors began to occur at a depth of 14.7 feet and continued to a depth of approximately 15.8 feet where a clay lithology was encountered that was much less permeable than the overlying strata. Of the three wells installed, this location was the only area where odors of contamination were detected.

For a detailed description of geologic lithologies encountered, refer to the boring logs at the rear of this memo.

Geology/Hydrogeology

Generally, the stratigraphy of the area is relatively simple and fairly straightforward. Existing from the surface down to a depth of 10 to 20 feet, loess deposits occur mainly consisting of fine sand to clay size materials. These loess deposits overlay the massive St. Peter Sandstone of Ordovician Age. From boring records, the thickness of the St. Peter in the general vicinity of Wedron is approximately 125 feet. Most private wells in Wedron withdraw water from this formation mostly from a depth between 35 to 45 feet below ground surface. A well at the Martin Marietta Technical Services Building is cased to a depth of 170 feet and is withdrawing water from the New Richmond Sandstone Formation with no contamination detected. Water samples collected from the IEPA monitor wells on May 17, 1984 have yet to be completed. The two recordings of water levels in the IEPA monitor wells are as follows:

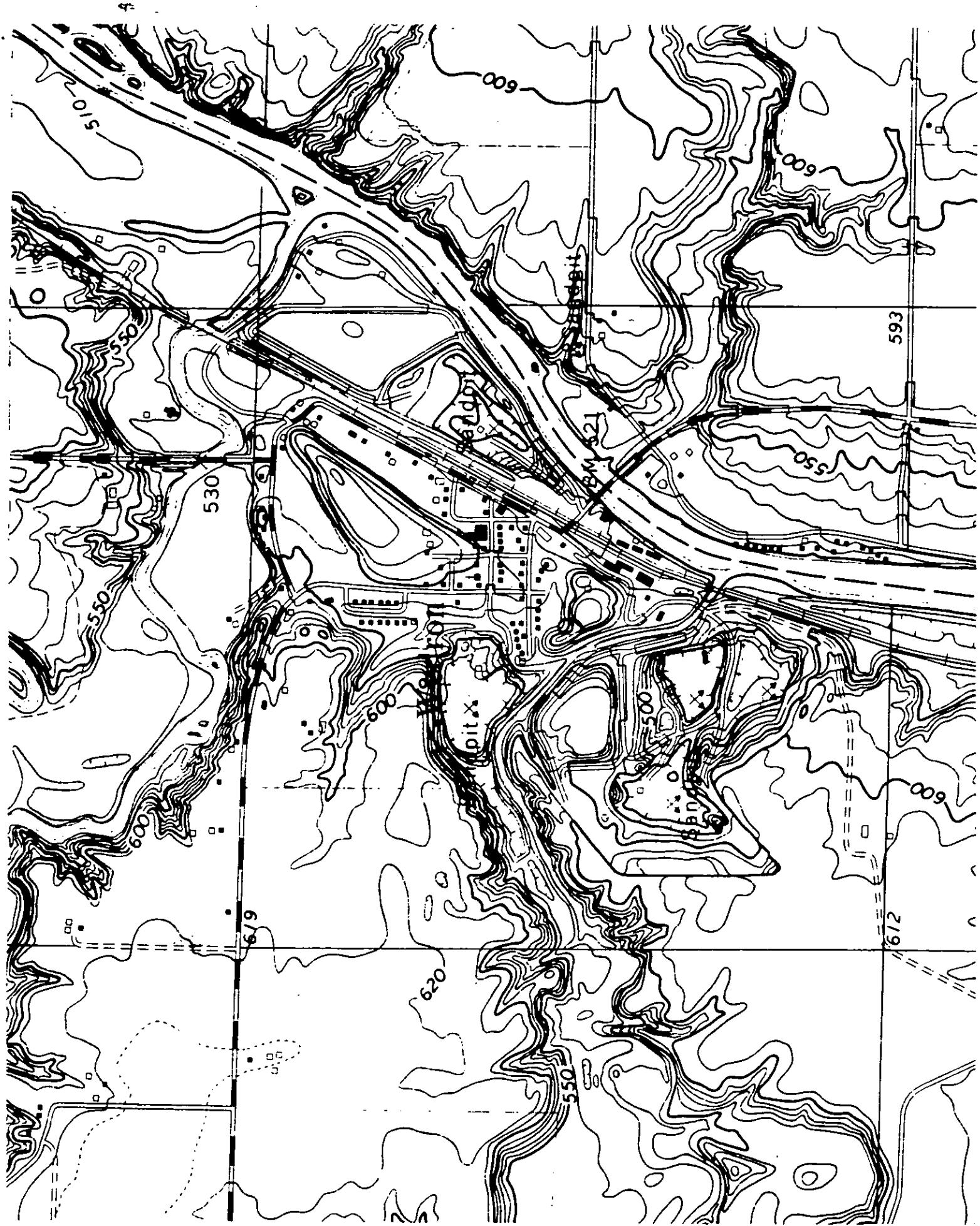
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05/17/84	495.64	499.75	501.05
07/17/84	496.30	499.83	500.46

Conclusions

To this date, seven residential wells are affected by organic substance contamination. The well at the Martin Marietta Scale House is the most severely contaminated, and due to this, has not been used since its installation (a Table including all wells sampled and analysis is included). Presently, an alternate water supply for those affected homes is proposed to be installed using funds granted to Department of Commerce and Community Affairs. Also, assistance from the USEPA is being sought for aid in source identification, since to this date it is yet to be determined.

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Attachments



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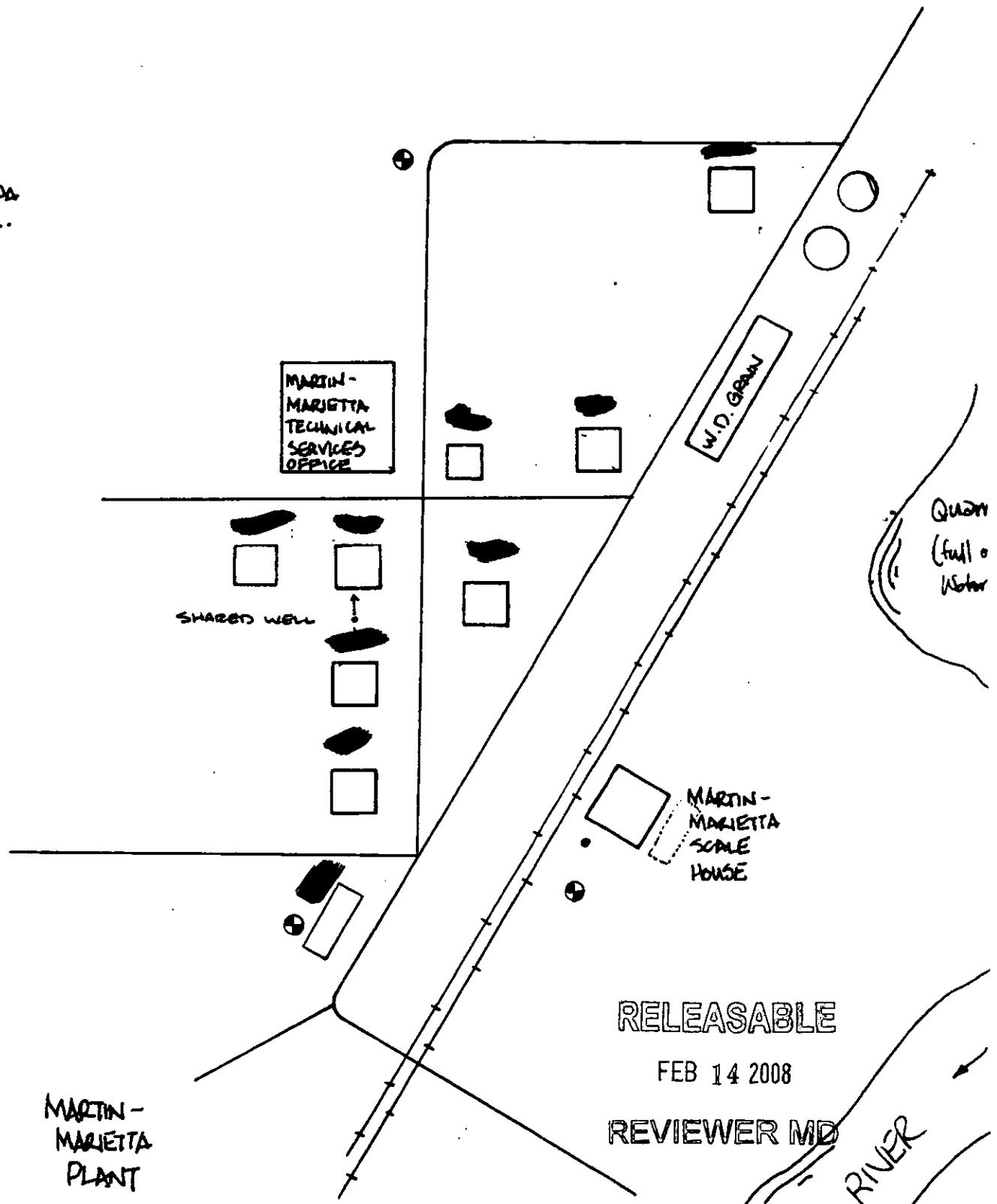
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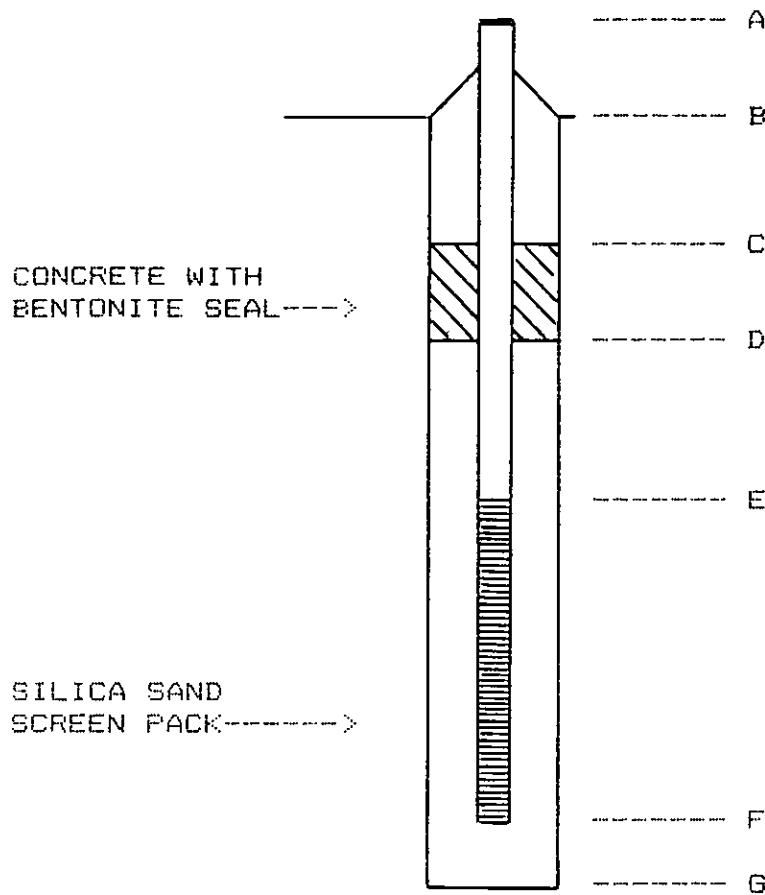
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• INDICATES EPA MONITOR WELL.



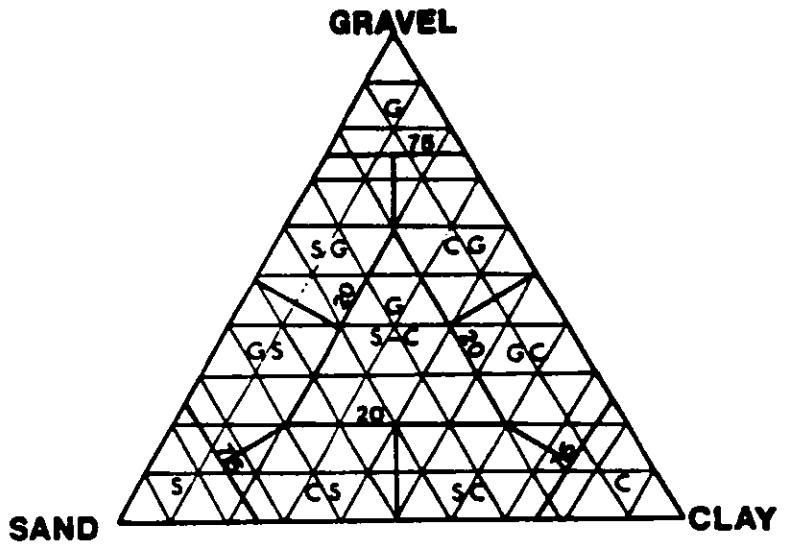
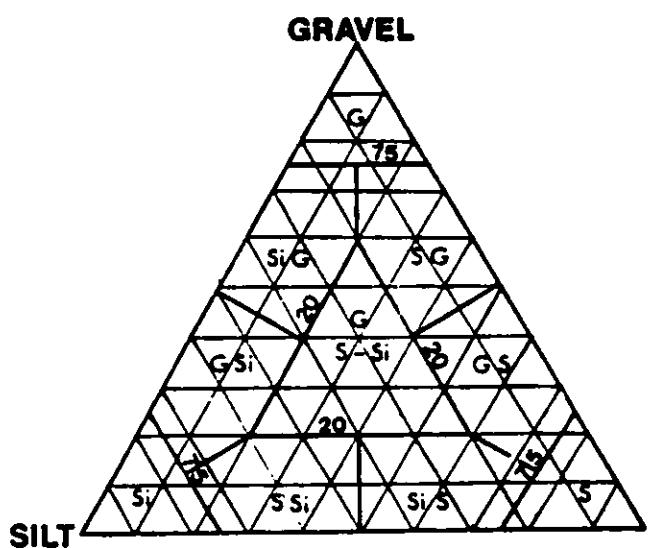
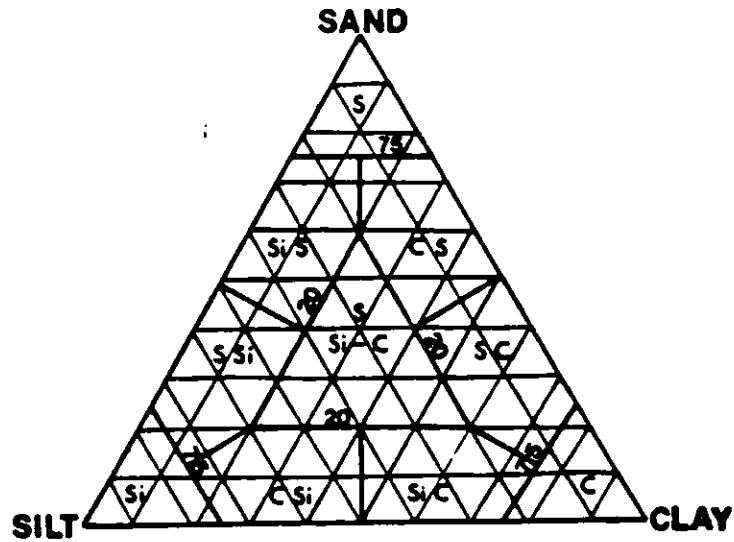
MEDRON RESIDENTIAL WELL ANALYSIS

MONITOR WELL SPECIFICS



A=TOP OF CASING
B=GROUN D SURFACE
C=TOP OF PACKING PLUG
D=PLUG/SCREEN PACK INTERFACE
E=TOP OF WELL SCREEN
F=BOTTOM OF CASING
G=BOTTOM OF BOREHOLE

WELL NUMBER	ELEVATION A	ELEVATION B	DEPTH FROM GROUND SURFACE TO: C	DEPTH FROM GROUND SURFACE TO: D	DEPTH FROM GROUND SURFACE TO: E	DEPTH FROM GROUND SURFACE TO: F	DEPTH FROM GROUND SURFACE TO: G
G101	536.50	534.50	13.5	16.4	34.0	49.0	49.0
G102	525.17	522.77	16.0	18.0	19.3	36.8	36.8
G103	525.40	522.40	11.4	14.4	17.5	32.5	32.5



Percent grain size	Adjective modifiers for minor grain sizes*
>15%	Included in major textural class
10-15%	Some
5-10%	Little
< 5%	Trace

TEXTURAL TRIANGLES (ADOPTED BY SHEPARD, 1954) AND TERMINOLOGY
APPLICABLE TO SOILS CLASSIFIED BY THE IEPA



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BORING NO. B1	WELL NO. 09982903	GROUNDELVEL ELEV. ~ 541.96		PAGE 1 OF 1
COUNTY SITES BORING LOCATION DRILLING EQUIPMENT COMPLETION DEPTH	SITE NO. WEDRON / HUXSEY NORTH EDGE OF PARKING LOT AT MARTIN MARKEETTA TECH. CENTER CME 55 3.25" ID HOLLOW STEM AUGER 17.15	START TIME BEDROCK DEPTH ~ 13.15'	DATE TIME TOP OF CASING —	ANNULUS FILL MATERIAL ABOVE PACKING PACKING SCREEN N / A
WELL CASING TYPE AND QUANTITY SCREEN INTERVAL TYPE AND QUANTITY		SAMPLES		
ELEV.	DESCRIPTION	DEPTH	Sample No.	Sampler Type
0.0 - 0.17	TOPSOIL - SANDY SILT, BROWN, ROOTS, MOIST.	0		
0.17 - 0.4	LIMESTONE GRAVEL FILL - WHITE	1		
0.4 - 5.0	CLAYEY SILT - BROWN TO GRAY, UNIFORM, SEMI BLOCKY STRUCTURE, LOCAL AREA OF SAND FROM 3.2 TO 3.4, SLIGHTLY MOIST AT TOP.	2		
5.0 - 7.1	SILTY CLAY - BROWN, BLOCKY, MOIST AT TOP, DAMPEN WITH DEPTH.	3		
7.1 - 7.7	SILTY SAND - BROWN, SOME GRAVEL, LARGE COBBLE PRESENT, INCREASE SILT WITH DEPTH.	4		
7.7 - 8.2	SANDS & GRAVELS - SOME SILTY CLAYS, LOOSE, BROWN TO TAN, NO SORTING, SLIGHTLY MOIST.	5		
8.2 - 12.0	SAND - MEDIUM TO FINE GRAINED, BROWN, LOOSE, GRAINS ANGULAR TO ROUNDED, TRACE GRAVEL, DAMP.	6		
12.0 - 12.2	SANDS & GRAVELS - LOOSE, GRAVEL CONTAINS FRAGMENTS OF CHERT, LIMESTONE, GRANITE; MOIST.	7		
		8		
		9		
		10		
		11		
		12		
		13		
		14		
			PERSONNEL L. TIM GREEFIS D. DOUG TOLAN H. KEN BOSIE	
			REMARKS	
			AUGER REFUSAL AT 13.15' - BEGAN USING CORE BARREL. CORED 4.0' - LOST H2O/REVERT SLUEREN TO FMTN & UP OUTSIDE OF AUGER. ABANDONED Boresite	



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BORING NO.	B2	WELL NO.	G101	GROUND LEVEL ELEV.	534.50	PAGE	1	OF	1
COUNTY	LA SALLE	SITE NO.	09982903	DATE		ANNULUS FILL MATERIAL			
SITE	WEEDON / HOXSEY	START	FINISH	ABOVE PACKING:				CUTTINGS	
BORING LOCATION	APPROXIMATELY 3' EAST OF B1	4/18/84	4/23/84	PACKING:				Concrete/BENTONITE	
DRILLING EQUIPMENT	CME 55	SIZE	TYPE	START	TIME	FINISH			
COMPLETION DEPTH	40.0	BEDROCK DEPTH	-13.0'	9:15am		4:45pm		SCREEN: NATURAL MATERIALS	
WELL CASING	TYPE AND QUANTITY		TOP OF CASING	12:15pm		3pm		PERSONNEL	
	51.0' 2" ID PVC Schedule 40 Screen Joint		536.50					L. T. GREEFIS	
SCREEN INTERVAL	TYPE AND QUANTITY							D. D. TOLAN	
	15.0' Hack Saw Screen							H. K. BOSIE	
ELEV.	DESCRIPTION		DEPTH	SAMPLES					
534.50				Sample No.	Sampler Type	Sample Recovery Ft.	Penetrometer Strength	N Value (Blows)	
<p>AUGERED DOWN TO 49.0'</p> <p>VERY HARD DRILLING BELOW 25'</p> <p>ENCOUNTERED H2O AT 43'</p> <p>Boring Complete AT 49.0'</p> <p>DTW = 41.0' (AT COMPLETION OF DRILLING.)</p> <p>LEPT BOREHOLE OPEN - RETURNED 04/23 - INSTALLED WELL.</p> <p>DTW 30.0' (AT COMPLETION OF WELL INSTALLATION).</p>									



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BORING NO.	B3	WELL NO.	G102	GROUND LEVEL ELEV.	522.77	PAGE 1 OF 1	
COUNTY	LA SALLE	SITE NO.	09982903	START DATE		ANNULUS FILL MATERIAL	
SITE	WEDRON / HOXSEY			FINISH		ABOVE PACKING:	
BORING LOCATION	~10' WEST OF WD GRAN CO GRAY STORAGE SHED - SOUTH SIDE OF DRILLING EQUIPMENT			APRIL 23, 1984		CUTTINGS	
CME 55 3.25" ID HOLLOW STEM AUGER			TOWN. START	TIME FINISH	PACKING:	CONCRETE / BENTONITE	
COMPLETION DEPTH	36.8'	BEDROCK DEPTH	~10.0'	7:15 AM	2:45 PM	SCREEN:	NATURAL MATERIALS
WELL CASING	39.2' 2" ID PVC SCHEDULE 40 SCREEN JOINT (TEFLON TAPED JOINTS, 1 CAP, 1 DRIVE CONE).			SAMPLES			PERSONNEL
SCREEN INTERVAL	17.5' HACK SAW SCREEN			Sample No.	Sampler Type	Sample Recovery Ft.	Penetrometer (Strength)
ELEV.	DESCRIPTION			DEPTH			N Value (Blow)
522.77				0			
0.0 - 2.7	SANDY SILT - BROWN TO GRAY, TRACE GRAVEL, INCREASE IN SAND IN BOTTOM 0.5', MOIST.			1			
2.7 - 4.0	CLAYEN SILT - BROWN TO GRAY AT BASE, IRON STAINING AT 3.3 & 4.0, BLACK MOTTLING BOTTOM 0.6'.			2	(5)	A.O.	
4.0 - 5.5	SILT - BLACK, FRIGGABLE, DAMP.			3		5.0	
5.5 - 7.7	SILTY SAND - BROWN TO RED, SOME GRAVEL, LOCAL AREAS OF CLAY, MOIST			4			
7.7 - 8.5	SILTY CLAY - BROWN TO RED, SOME SAND, SOME GRAVEL, IRON STAINING, TIGHT, SLIGHTLY MOIST.			5			
8.5 - 9.0	SAND & GRAVEL - LIGHT TO DARK BROWN, SAND GRAINS ROUNDED TO SUBANGULAR, MOIST.			6			
				7			
				8			
				9			
				10			
				11			
				12			
Augered down to 36.8'							
Boring complete at 36.8'							
DTW = 18.55' (AT COMPLETION OF DRILLING).							
REMARKS							

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Auger reentered at 10.0 with continuous sampler



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BORING NO.	WELL NO.	GROUND LEVEL ELEV.			PAGE <u>1</u> OF <u>2</u>
B4	LA SALLE 09982903	START	DATE	FINISH	ANNULUS FILL MATERIAL
COUNTY	SITE NO.				ABOVE PACKING
SITE	WEDEON / Hoxsey				
BORING LOCATION	~50' SOUTH OF MARTIN MARIETTA SCALE HOUSE				
DRILLING EQUIPMENT	CME 55	SIZE	TYPE		PACKING
COMPLETION DEPTH	32.5'	BEDROCK DEPTH	TOP OF CASING	7:40am 8pm.	SCREEN
WELL CASING	TYPE AND QUANTITY			SAMPLES	
	N			Sample No.	Personnel
SCREEN INTERVAL	TYPE AND QUANTITY A			Sampler Type	D. Tolan
ELEV.	DESCRIPTION		DEPTH	Recovery Ft.	H. K. Bosie
0.0 - 0.6	CLAYEY SILT - DARK BROWN TO BLACK, SOME ROOTS, MOIST. (FILL).		0	1.0 1.5	L.T. Greetis
0.6 - 1.9	SAND - BROWN, ORGANIC MATERIALS, V. MOIST, (FILL).		1	1.5 1.5	
1.9 - 3.0	SANDS & GRAVELS - LIGHT BROWN TO DARK BROWN, DRY.		2	1.5 1.5	
3.0 - 3.3	SAND - DARK BROWN, SOME GRAVEL, DRY.		3		
3.3 - 3.55	SAND - VERY FINE, WHITE, WET.		4	1.5 1.5	
3.55 - 4.5	SAND - TAN TO DARK BROWN, SOME GRAVEL, MOIST.		5		
4.5 - 4.7	SAND - GRAY, SOME GRAVEL, DAMP.		6	1.5 1.5	
4.7 - 7.5	SANDS & GRAVELS - TAN TO RED, LOCAL BEDDING OF CLAYS & SILTS, MOIST.		7	1.5 1.5	
7.5 - 8.0	SAND - BROWN TO TAN, SOME GRAVEL, MOIST.		8		
8.0 - 8.5	CLAYEY SILT - LIGHT TO DARK BROWN, SOME GRAVEL, SLIGHTLY MOIST.		9	1.3 1.5	
8.5 - 8.8	SAND WITH SOME GRAVEL - COARSE				
9.0 - 9.35	SAND, LIGHT BROWN, SLIGHTLY MOIST. SILTY SAND - SOME GRAVEL, BROWN TO RED, MOIST.		10	1.2 1.5	
9.35 - 9.6	SAND - MEDIUM GRAINED, GRAY, SLIGHT ORGANIC ODOR, MOIST.				
9.6 - 11.5	SAND WITH GRAVEL - TAN TO RED, LARGE COARSE AT TIP, DAMP.		11	1.4 1.5	
11.5 - 12.1	SAND - DARK BROWN TO RED, SLIGHT ODOR, VERY MOIST.		12		
12.1 - 14.7	SANDS & GRAVELS - LIGHT BROWN TO GRAY, SAND GRAINS ARE ROUNDED, COARSE SAND LAYER 12.65-12.9		13	1.2 1.5	
			14		REMARKS



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BORING NO.	B4	WELL NO.	09982903	GROUND LEVEL ELEV.		PAGE 2 OF 2			
COUNTY	LA SALLE	SITE NO.		DATE		ANNULUS FILL MATERIAL			
SITE	WEDDON / HOXSEY			START	FINISH	ABOVE PACKING			
BORING LOCATION						PACKING			
DRILLING EQUIPMENT	SIZE	TYPE		TIME	FINISH				
COMPLETION DEPTH	BEDROCK DEPTH	TOP OF CASING				SCREEN			
WELL CASING	TYPE AND QUANTITY			SAMPLES		PERSONNEL			
SCREEN INTERVAL	TYPE AND QUANTITY			Sample No.	Sampler Type	Sample Recovery Ft.	Penetrometer (Strength)	N Value (Blow's)	L-TAG D-DMT H-KWB
ELEV.	DESCRIPTION		DEPTH						REMARKS
14.1 - 14.8	SAND - BLACK, ODD, WET.		14	65	13	13		13/3	
14.8 - 15.3	SAND - COARSE TO FINE GRAVEL, BROWN, WET.		15	65	14	15		7/88	
15.3 - 15.8	SAND - GRAY TO BLACK, SOME GRAVEL, ODD, WET.		16	65	15				
15.8 - 15.95	CLAY - RED, TIGHT, DAMP.		17						
15.95 - 16.2	SANDS & GRAVELS - ODD, MOIST.								
16.2 - 16.4	FRAGMENTS OF LIMESTONE / SANDST.								
BEGAN AUGERING WITHOUT CONTINUOUS SAMPLER.									
<p>Boring Complete at 32.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DIFFICULTY REMOVING AUGER FROM BOREHOLE. Drill Rig Failure - HAD TO ABANDON BOREHOLE. 									



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BORING NO.	B5	WELL NO.	G103	GROUND LEVEL ELEV.	522.40	PAGE	1	OF		
COUNTY	LA SALLE	SITE NO.	09982903	DATE		ANNULUS FILL MATERIAL				
SITE	Wendon / Hoxsey	START	FINISH	MAY 02, 1984		ABOVE PACKING:	CUTTINGS			
BORING LOCATION	~5' SOUTH OF B4	TIME				PACKING:	CONCRETE / BENTONITE			
DRILLING EQUIPMENT	CME 55	SIZE	TYPE	START	FINISH	SCREEN:	NATURAL MATERIALS.			
COMPLETION DEPTH	32.5'	BEDROCK DEPTH	?	TOP OF CASING	7am 9:30am	PERSONNEL				
WELL CASING	TYPE AND QUANTITY			SAMPLES						
35.55'	2"	10 PVC	SCHEDULE 40	Screw Joint	(TEFLON TAPE) JOINTS, 1 CAP, 1 DRIVE CONE)	Sample No.	Sampler Type	Sample Recovery Ft.	Penetration (Strength)	I. T. GREEFIS
SCREEN INTERVAL	TYPE AND QUANTITY			15.0' Hack Saw Screen		N Value	(Blow)	D. D. TOLAN		
ELEV.	DESCRIPTION			DEPTH		H. K. BOSIE				
522.40	Augered down to 32.5'								REMARKS	
Boeing complete at 32.5'										
INSTALLED WELL.										

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