

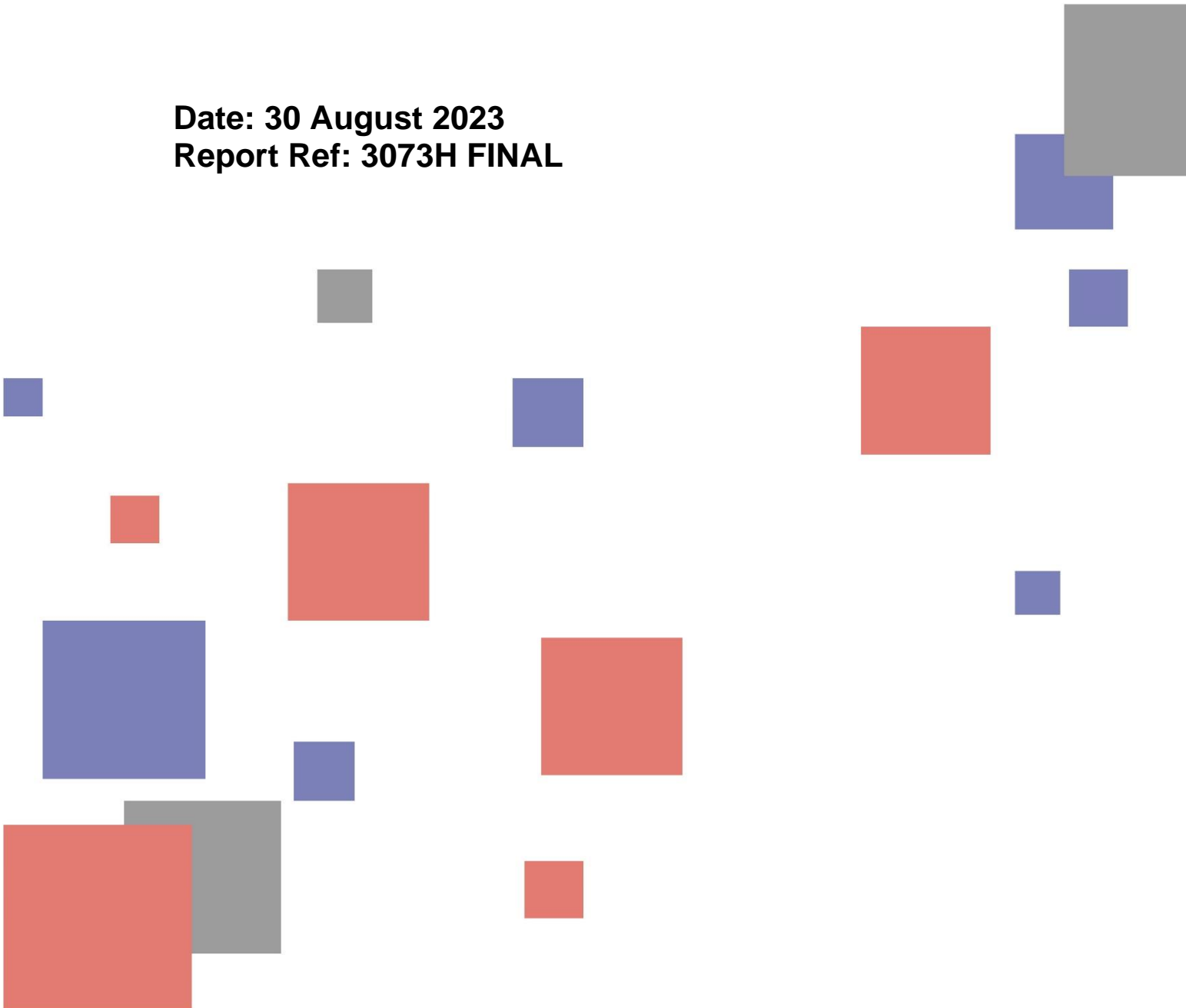
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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The investigation scope consisted of acquiring multi-channel analysis of surface waves data as a series of specified transects either along-shore (parallel to the coast) or cross-shore (perpendicular to the coast) and cone penetration testing at spot locations along these transects. This was supplemented with geological mapping of surface rock outcrops and topographic survey using GNSS receiver along the transects.

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The interpreted geological sections have been compiled to develop subsurface models of the level to rock substrate (relative to AHD) and overlying sand thickness within the region between the foreshore and the settlement. This model will be used to assess the potential vulnerability of the site to erosion and future inundation risk, and whether there is a continuous rock barrier located below the ground surface of sufficient strength and height that may prevent the advancement of erosion to the settlement.

The following observations have been made:

- Interpreted rock substrate was observed along the entirety of the transects and within the maximum target investigation depth of 10-15m below ground level.
- Interpreted top of rock substrate on the along-shore transects on the beach ranged from -6.5mAHD to 1.5mAHD and averaged approximately -2MAhd, overlain with an average 4.5m layer of variably compacted sediment.
- Interpreted top of rock substrate on the along-shore transects located adjacent to the existing settlement ranged from -2.5mAHD to 12.5mAHD and was typically higher on the southern portion averaging 10.5mAHD, and deeper in the northern portion within the Seabird Caravan Park averaging 4.5mAHD.
- Interpreted top of rock substrate for the cross-shore transects extending over the dune formation ranged from -1mAHD to 9.5mAHD and averaged 6.5mAHD, overlain with an average of 6.5m of variably compacted sediment.

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

At the request of The Government of Western Australia Department of Transport (DoT), GBG Group carried out a geotechnical investigation at Seabird, Shire of Gingin in June 2023. During the investigation, seismic geophysical testing and intrusive geotechnical testing was conducted within a 600m corridor of coastal beach and dune formation which has been identified as an at risk site to the north of Coastal Hotspot #20.

The objective of the investigation was to provide detailed mapping of the extent, elevation and consistency/strength of the rock underlying the coastal beach and dune formation. In particular, the key outcome of the investigation was to develop a subsurface model of the level to competent rock substrate (relative to AHD) within the region between the foreshore and the settlement. This model will be used to assess the potential vulnerability of the site to erosion and future inundation risk, and whether there is a continuous rock barrier located below the ground surface of sufficient strength and height that may prevent the advancement of erosion to the settlement.

To achieve the project objectives, data from the following investigation methods was acquired, processed and analysed so as to obtain the required subsurface information within the anticipated geological conditions:

1. **Geophysical testing** by way of Multi-channel Analysis of Surface Waves (MASW) to obtain seismic shear wave velocity models related to variations in subsurface material stiffness.
2. **Intrusive geotechnical testing** by way of Cone Penetration Testing (CPT) to measure sediment strength and compressibility, and for calibration and ground truthing of the geophysical dataset.
3. **Topographic survey** using Differential GNSS receiver. Note photogrammetry was not carried out, as the site was within a no-fly-zone restricting the use of survey drones within a controlled aerodrome space.

## 2 INVESTIGATION SITE

The investigation was carried out over an approximate 600m corridor of coastal beach and dune formation extending from the foreshore in the west, and to the Seabird Caravan Park to the east from Edward Street to Williams Way. The extent of the investigation site is shown as a yellow dashed area in Figure 1.

Data was acquired as a series of transects for the seismic geophysical testing and point locations for the intrusive geotechnical testing. These were positioned so as to best utilise existing roads, tracks, and beach whilst not impacting native vegetation and in order to ensure the most optimal, efficient and economical acquisition methodology. Data was not acquired where surface obstructions were present such as thick vegetation, steep topography or where the beach was inundated with seawater. Photographs showing the typical site conditions are provided in Figure 2.



Figure 1: The extent of the geophysical investigation (yellow polygon) at Seabird. Aerial imagery from Landgate (main image) and Google Maps (inset image).



Figure 2: Site conditions at Seabird including the beach foreshore (left image) and on Williams Way (right image).

### 3 INVESTIGATION METHODOLOGY

#### 3.1 FIELD SURVEY LOGISTICS

Geophysical data acquisition was carried out on the 2 and 7 June 2023 by a two-person crew from GBG Group consisting of qualified geophysicists. CPT data acquisition was carried out by a technician from Probedrill on the 10 July 2023. Where required, the site work was carried out under appropriate traffic and pedestrian management commissioned by the Shire of Gingin.

Prior to the commencement of data acquisition, a site assessment was carried out with representatives from the Shire of Gingin. Potential concerns and issues including the placement of and access to the MASW transects and CPT points were addressed and the initial indicative survey plan was adjusted, where necessary.

The site work for the investigation consisted of a total of 1036m of MASW profiling acquired as 3 along-shore transects (parallel to the coast) and 2 cross-shore transects (perpendicular to the coast), and a total of 4 CPT points along the transects. Details of the acquired MASW transects and CPT points are provided in Tables 1 and 2 respectively. The extents of the MASW transects and locations of the CPT points overlaid onto aerial imagery are shown in Appendix A drawing 3073H-01.

**Table 1 – Acquired MASW Transects (Coordinates in GDA94, MGA Zone 50).**

Transect ID	Orientation	Start Coordinate		End Coordinate		Length (m)
		East	North	East	North	
MASW01	Along-shore	351396.2	6539372.7	351535.4	6538843.4	536
MASW02	Along-shore	351477.5	6539232.3	351593.5	6538988.5	276
MASW03	Along-shore	351570.8	6538949.9	351585.0	6538858.4	96
MASW04	Along-shore	351472.4	6539246.3	351540.2	6539264.1	72
MASW05	Cross-shore	351589.5	6538844.2	351643.9	6538856.7	56

**Table 2 – Acquired CPT Points (Coordinates in GDA94, MGA Zone 50).**

CPT ID	Coordinate		Surface Level (mAHD)	Probing Depth (m)
	East	North		
CPT01	351528	6538881	1.62	1.76
CPT03	351592	6538854	15.13	4.54
CPT04	351489	6539044	2.45	8.50
CPT05	351439	6539245	2.85	9.44

#### 3.2 MULTI-CHANNEL ANALYSIS OF SURFACE WAVES

MASW is a seismic geophysical method that utilises phase and frequency information to calculate Shear wave (S-wave) velocities in vertical layer models averaged over an array of linearly spaced geophones. These 1D models can be laterally stacked to provide 2D cross-sections of S-wave velocity in layers. Under most circumstances it is an indicator of material stiffness and as such the method can be used to provide quantitative results on the compaction of the subsurface material.

MASW data was acquired using a Geode (Geometrics) seismograph connected to a receiver array of 24 geophones set at 1m intervals for a total array length of 23m. The receiver array was mobilised on a land streamer whereby the geophones are mounted on base plates attached to webbing, and either towed behind a 4WD light vehicle or manually pulled by the field team. Seismic energy was generated using summed impacts from a PEG-40 (R.T. Clark) vehicle mounted accelerated weight drop or softened steel sledgehammer with source points made at a constant offset from receiver array. MASW acquisition parameters are provided in Table 3. Photographs of MASW data acquisition are shown in Figure 3.

**Table 3 – MASW Acquisition Parameters**

Parameter	Value
Number of geophones	24
Geophone spacing	1 m
Array length	23 m
Geophone frequency	4.5 Hz
Record length	1 s
Sample interval	0.25 ms
Source	40kg AWD or 6.35kg sledgehammer
Source offset	4 m
Sounding interval	8m
Source stacks	3



**Figure 3: MASW data acquisition using a seismic streamer.**

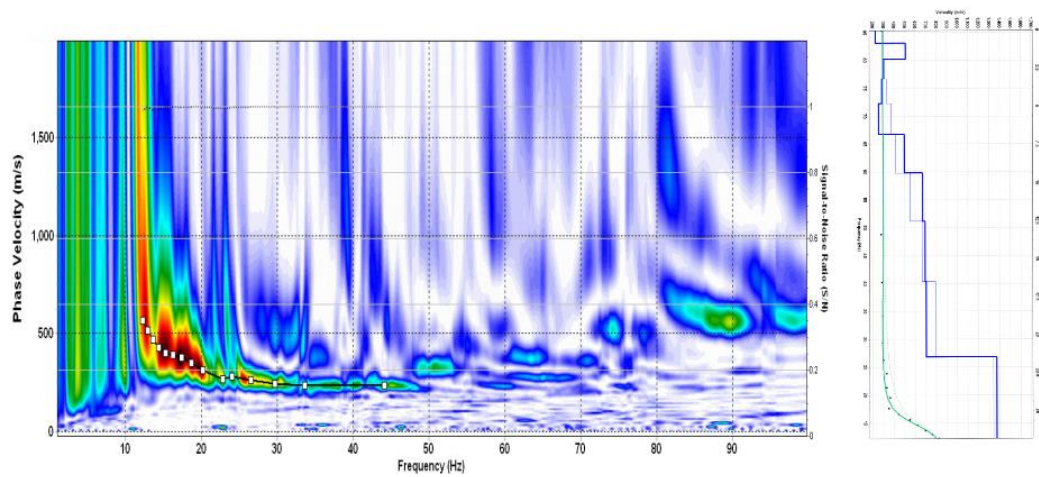
The MASW data was observed to be of high quality with the seismic records having high signal to noise ratio. The generated overtone images plotting phase velocity against frequency showed a prominent dispersion curve of the surface wave component. The MASW data was processed using SurfSeis version 6++ (Kansas Geological Survey, 2017) with the following processing routine:

1. Import acquired seismic data files and apply geometry including geophone spacing, source offset and sounding interval.
2. Generate overtone images giving the percentage intensity of phase velocity versus frequency for each seismic record (Figure 4, left image).



3. Pick the maximum intensity across the useful range of frequencies for each overtone image resulting in a dispersion curve.
4. Run the dispersion curves through a 10-layer inversion algorithm to produce 1D soundings plotting seismic S-wave velocity with depth (Figure 4, right image).

The S-wave velocity soundings were compiled with reference to distance along the transects and gridded with Surfer version 25 (Golden Software, 2023). The resulting contoured cross-sections show the variation in the modelled S-wave velocity of the subsurface material in metres per second laterally along each of the transects and with elevation.



**Figure 4: MASW overtone image with high signal to noise ratio and picked dispersion curve.**

### 3.3 CONE PENETRATION TESTING

CPT is a geotechnical test method for evaluating the properties of soils and assessing subsurface stratigraphy including the sediment/rock interface at spot locations. The method involves pushing a calibrated cone and rod into the ground with a measured force with the resulting friction resistance plotted against depth to provide sediment compaction rates as well as the refusal depth indicating the depth to competent rock.

Testing was carried out using a M2 (Morooka) 11 tonne track mounted CPT Rig, specifications of which are provided in Appendix D. The test points were initially marked out at suitable locations within 2m of the intersecting geophysical transects. Dial Before You Dig enquiries and if necessary, utility locating was carried out prior to testing commencing.

CPT readings were made with sufficient ground bearing pressure to obtain a target depth of 10m or prior refusal. Where shallow refusal depths of less than 2m was encountered, when deemed necessary, an additional offset test was made to ascertain whether shallow refusal was due to a rock floater or other shallow obstruction. A photograph of CPT data acquisition is shown in Figure 5.



**Figure 5: CPT data acquisition during a previous coastal investigation.**

### **3.4 SPATIAL POSITIONING**

Spatial positioning of the acquired geophysical transects was achieved using an S631 (Hemisphere) GNSS receiver with a coordinate recorded for each MASW sounding location and CPT point. Coordinates of the geophysical transects have been provided in GDA94, MGA zone 50 for horizontal component and Australian Height Datum (mAHD) for vertical component. An accuracy of +/-0.2m is expected for both vertical and horizontal components.

To achieve precise reduced levels referenced to AHD, a local base correction with an Atlas Satellite-Based Differential Correction Service (L-Band) was used.

A reduced level of 0.0mAHD is considered to be the Mean Sea Level (MSL) for the purpose of this investigation. This relationship for Mean Sea Level was established by the Geoscience Australia Survey in 1971 (<http://www.ga.gov.au/scientific-topics/positioning-navigation/geodesy/datums-projections/australian-height-datum-ahd>).

## **4 RESULTS AND INTERPRETATION**

### **4.1 PRESENTATION OF RESULTS**

The results of the geotechnical investigation at Seabird, Shire of Gingin are presented in Appendices B and C of this report as follows:

#### **Appendix B – Geophysical and Interpreted Sections**

- **3073H-02 and 3073H-03.** Transect 1 seismic S-wave velocity model and interpreted geological section.
- **3073H-04.** Transect 2 seismic S-wave velocity model and interpreted geological section.

- **3073H-05.** Transects 3, 4 and 5 seismic S-wave velocity model and interpreted geological section.

#### **Appendix C – Modelled Level to Top of Rock and Sand Thickness**

- **3073H-06 and 3073H-07.** Contoured level to modelled top of rock.
- **3073H-08.** Class post map level to modelled top of rock.
- **3073H-09 and 3073H -10.** Contoured modelled sand thickness over rock.
- **3073H-11.** Class post map modelled sand thickness over rock.

### **4.2 SEISMIC SHEAR WAVE VELOCITY SECTIONS**

The seismic S-wave velocity ( $V_s$ ) sections modelled from the MASW data acquired along the along-shore and cross-shore transects are presented at the top of each drawing in Appendix B. These sections show variations in the modelled  $V_s$  as per the colour scale with velocity ranging from 150m/s to 1000m/s representing a wide range of material types and conditions.

Seismic S-wave velocity is governed by the elastic properties of the medium that the wave propagates through as shown in the equation below. In particular, it is primarily a function of soil density, void ratio and effective stress. As such calculated values can provide a useful guide to the subsurface material condition with increasing velocity an indication of increasing material stiffness.

Seismic S-wave velocity

$$V_s = \sqrt{\frac{G}{\rho}}$$

where;  $G$  = Shear modulus,  
 $\rho$  = In-situ material density

### **4.3 INTERPRETED GEOLOGICAL SECTIONS**

Below the seismic S-wave velocity sections are the interpreted geological sections based on detectable seismic velocity contrasts correlated with the CPT. Four classes have been defined representing different subsurface material conditions as follows:

1. **Very low seismic S-wave velocity** ( $V_s < 250\text{m/s}$ ). Representing the lowest seismic velocities modelled during the investigation, this class is interpreted as sediment consisting of SAND of low compaction from either the beach or dune formation.
2. **Low seismic S-wave velocity** ( $V_s 250\text{-}350\text{m/s}$ ). This class is interpreted as sediment consisting of SAND of moderate compaction due to increased depth of cover particularly in the beach and dune formation, or due to development adjacent to the settlement.

3. **Moderate seismic S-wave velocity** ( $V_s$  350-475m/s). This class is interpreted as low strength rock consisting of variably weathered CALCARENITE. Where continuous and at base of the sections it likely represents a transitional zone to stronger, more competent underlying CALCARENITE. Where present as isolated anomalies within the interpreted SAND it is likely to represent partially lithified SAND and/or CALCARENITE lenses.
4. **Moderate to high seismic wave velocity** ( $V_s$  >475m/s). This class is interpreted as moderate strength rock consisting of slightly weathered to fresh CALCARENITE. It is typically observed at the base of the sections as competent rock underlying the variably weathered CALCARENITE.

#### 4.4 CALIBRATION WITH GEOTECHNICAL TESTING AND ROCK MAPPING

The results of the CPTs are presented in Appendix D showing the plots of cone tip resistance in megapascals against depth in metres. The CPT plots are also shown in Appendix B and overlaid onto the interpreted geological sections with the following observations being made:

- **CPT-01 on Transect 1** – refusal of 70MPa plus rod friction was at a depth of 1.76m Below Ground Level (BGL) which corresponds to the top of interpreted low strength rock.
- **CPT-03 on Transect 5** – refusal due to inclination was at 4.5mBGL within sand and potentially due to a rock floater or partially lithified lens within the dune formation.
- **CPT-04 on Transect 1** – refusal due to inclination was at 8.5mBGL and approximately 1.0m into interpreted low strength rock suggesting a variably weathered material. An increase in CPT tip resistance was observed at the top of interpreted low strength rock.
- **CPT-05 on Transect 1** – refusal due to inclination was at 9.44mBGL and approximately 5.5m into interpreted low and moderate strength rock suggesting a variably weathered material. An increase in CPT tip resistance was observed at the top of interpreted low strength rock.

The differences in the modelled level to low strength and moderate strength rock as interpreted from the MASW transects and from the CPT data can be attributed to the fact that the geophysical methods used are broad scale whilst the CPT is a point method. Geophysical methods sample a volume of subsurface material with the calculated depths at any particular point representing an average value over this volume. The CPT method samples the subsurface directly below the probe and is influenced by local variations in the subsurface such as rock floaters, highly weathered zones or lenses of partially lithified sediment. The differences in the type of subsurface sampling of the methods will not adversely affect the results as the CPT results have been used to constrain the geophysics interpretation and as such the results represent the best modelled fit between the datasets.

No surface outcropping rock was observed onsite along the acquired MASW transects. Furthermore, analysis of available aerial photogrammetry indicates no evidence of outcropping rock within the area between the coastal foreshore and settlement.

#### 4.5 MODELLED LEVEL TO TOP OF ROCK AND SAND THICKNESS

Subsurface models for the level to top of rock substrate and overlying sand thickness within the region between the coastal foreshore and settlement are presented in Appendix C. These have been generated by digitising the interface between the interpreted sediment and underlying rock profile from the interpreted geological sections along the acquired along-shore and cross-shore transects and calibrated with the CPT plots. The modelled sand thickness was then generated by subtracting this from the surface elevation. The following subsurface models have been provided:

- **Contoured Level to Top of Rock Substrate** (drawing 3073H-06 and 3073H-07) – this presents the level to the top of rock substrate ranging from -6m AHD to 12m AHD.
- **Classed Post Map Level to Top of Rock Substrate** (drawing 3073H-08) – this presents the level to the top of rock substrate along the acquired transects at 2m level increments from -4m AHD to 8m AHD.
- **Contoured Sand Thickness Over Rock** (drawing 3073H-09 and 3073H-10) – this presents the thickness of sand overlying the rock substrate ranging from 0m BGL to 12m BGL.
- **Classed Post Map Sand Thickness Over Rock** (drawing 3073H-11) – this presents the thickness of sand overlying the rock substrate along the acquired transects at 2m depth increments from 2m BGL to 12m BGL.

The following limitations should be considered when assessing the subsurface models for the level to top of rock substrate and overlying sand thickness:

The expected accuracy of the top of rock substrate modelled from this investigation is +/-0.5m AHD. Similarly, an accuracy of +/-0.5m is expected for the modelled sand thickness over rock. The quoted accuracies have been based on consideration to the accuracy of the GNSS receivers used during the site work, 1D inversion of the MASW dataset using a 10-layer model, and expected undulations in the sand/rock interface. Note the quoted accuracies are only valid along the geophysical transects. Values given between transects have been interpolated in the contour maps and as such the accuracy in this case is indeterminable.

The generated contours will give the general trend of the top of rock profile however will not image local variations when the extent of these is less than transect spacing. Spatially small features such as karst sinkholes or pinnacle features may not be imaged. The significance of this limitation is considered minor for this investigation since although local geological features such as pinnacles may not be represented in the data, the generated surface of the top of rock will show the broad trends in the geology over the site which is suitable for a coastal erosion assessment.

Transition zones including between fresh and weathered rock and between sediment and lithified/partially lithified sediment may be gradational and as such the interface between these layers are not well defined.

The calculated levels to the top of rock will only be valid along the geophysical transects. Values shown on the contour maps not on the transects have been interpolated using the krigging algorithm and as such the accuracy of these levels is indeterminable. The contour surface will give the general trend of the interface however may not image local variations, it is recommended that the interpreted geological sections presented in Appendix B be used to obtain more accurate top of rock levels and overlying sand thickness.

## 5 PROJECT SUMMARY

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The methods used during the investigation are geophysical and as such the results are based on indirect measurements and the processing and interpretation of seismic wave signals calibrated with limited intrusive geotechnical testing. The findings in this report represent the professional opinions of the authors, based on experience gained during previous similar investigations.

We trust that this report and the attached drawings provide you with the information required. If you require clarification on any points arising from this geophysical investigation, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on 08 9354 6300.

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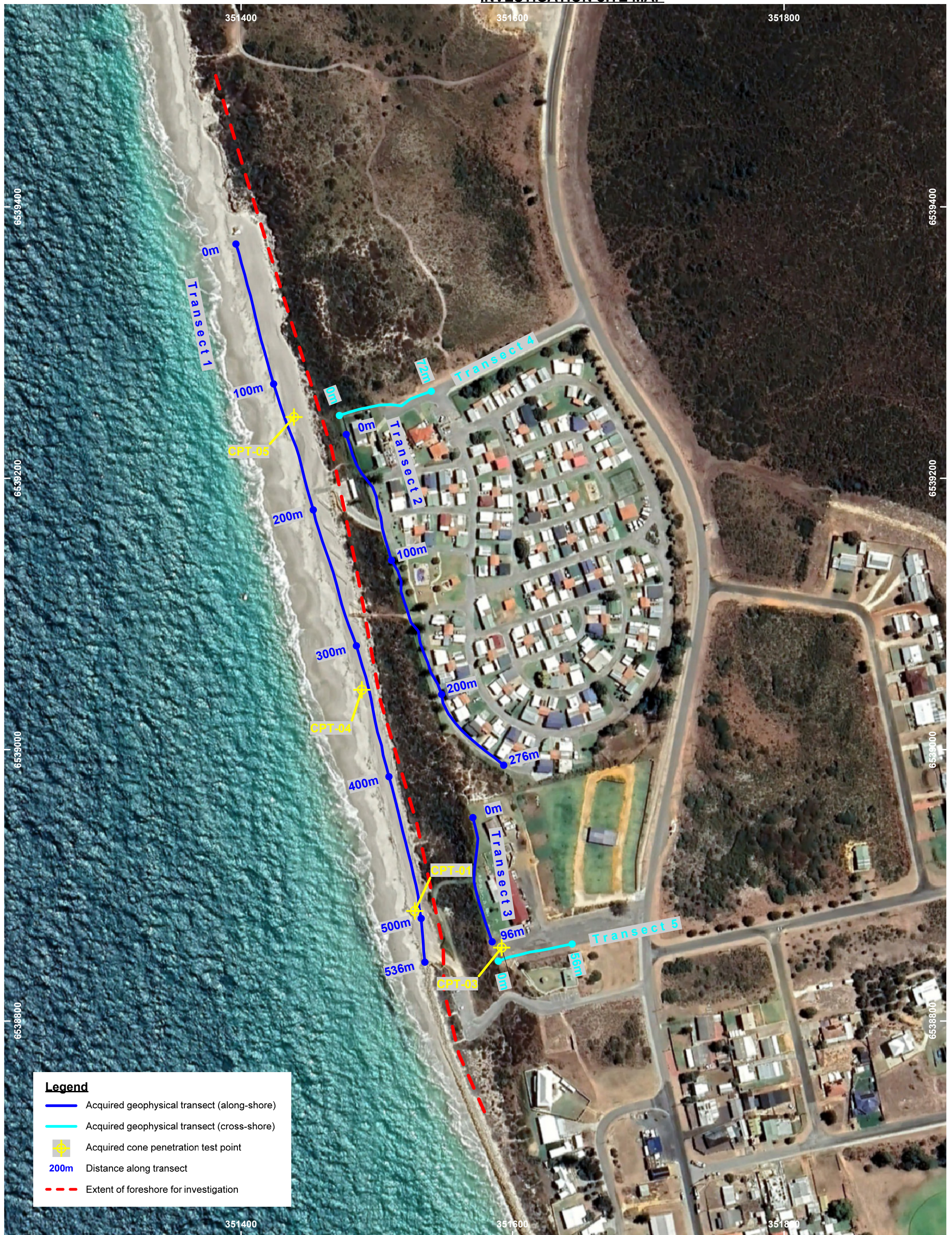


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## APPENDIX A – INVESTIGATION SITE MAP



**INVESTIGATION SITE MAP**



**Legend**

- Acquired geophysical transect (along-shore)
- Acquired geophysical transect (cross-shore)
- ⊗ Acquired cone penetration test point
- 200m Distance along transect
- - - Extent of foreshore for investigation

**NOTES**

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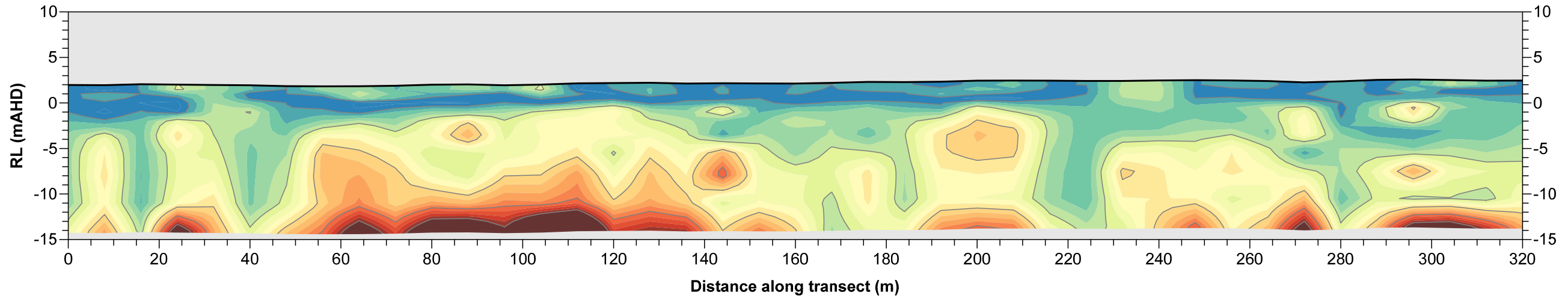
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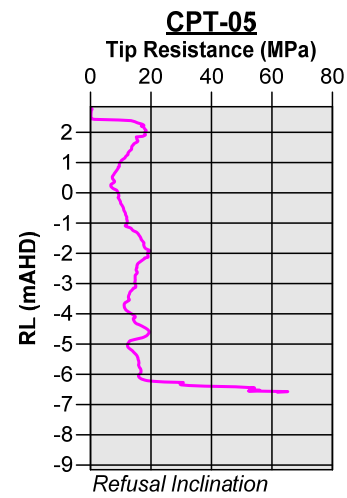
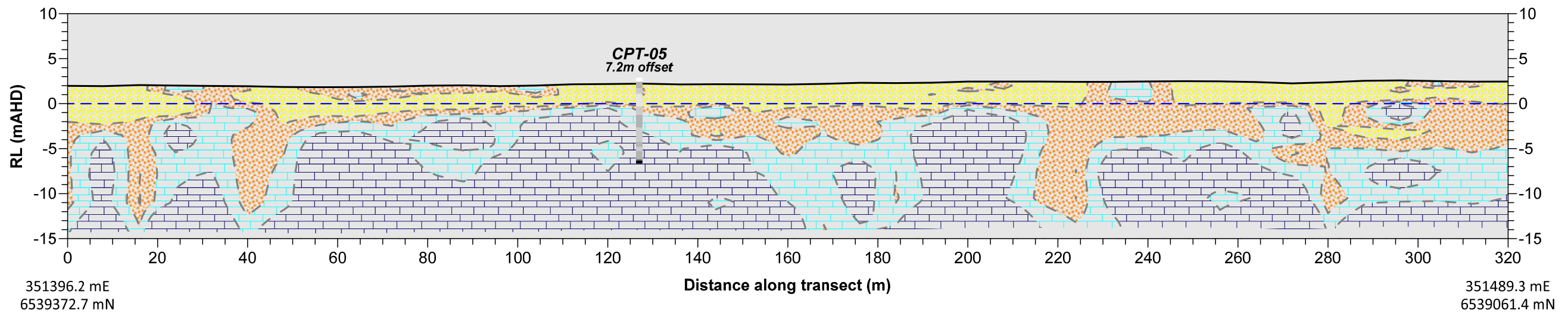
## **APPENDIX B – GEOPHYSICAL AND INTERPRETED SECTIONS**

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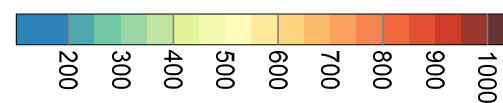
**TRANSECT 1 (0-320m) - SEISMIC SHEAR WAVE VELOCITY MODEL**



**TRANSECT 1 (0-320m) - INTERPRETED GEOLOGICAL SECTION**



**SEISMIC S-WAVE VELOCITY (m/s)**



**INTERPRETED MATERIAL TYPE**

- SAND - LOW COMPACTION  
S-WAVE VELOCITY < 250 m/s
- SAND - MODERATE COMPACTION  
S-WAVE VELOCITY 250-350 m/s
- LOW STRENGTH WEATHERED ROCK  
S-WAVE VELOCITY 350-475 m/s
- MODERATE STRENGTH COMPETENT ROCK  
S-WAVE VELOCITY > 475 m/s.
- 0m AUSTRALIAN HEIGHT DATUM

**CONE PENETRATION TEST**

- Tip Resistance (MPa)
- 0 to <5
  - 5 to <10
  - 10 to <15
  - 15 to <20
  - 20 to <25
  - 25 to <30
  - 30 to <35
  - 35 to <40
  - 40 to <45
  - 45 to <50
  - Equal to or >50

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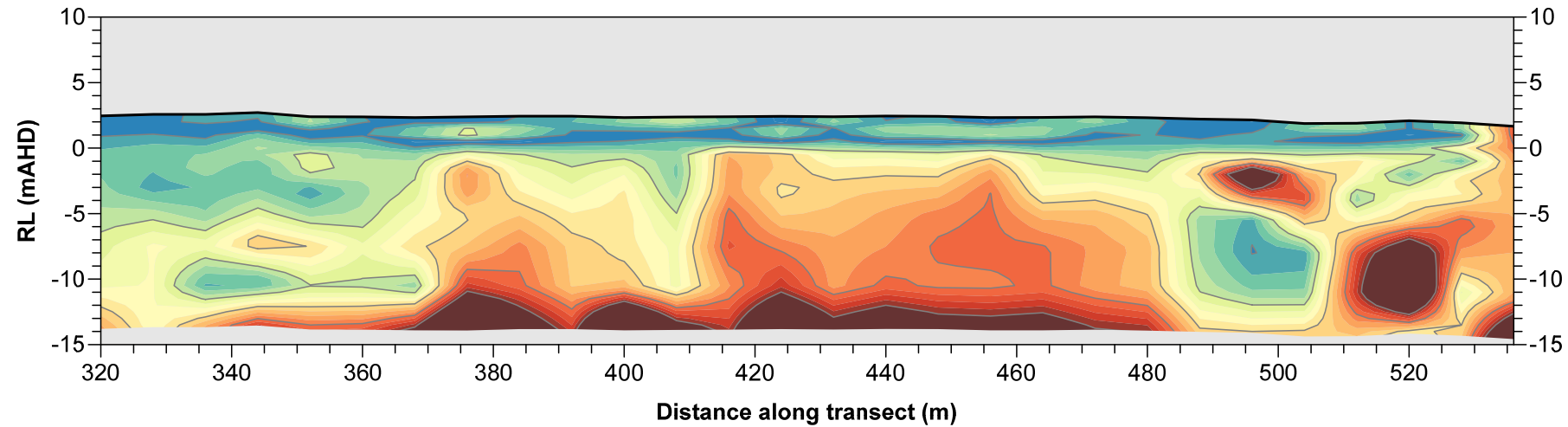
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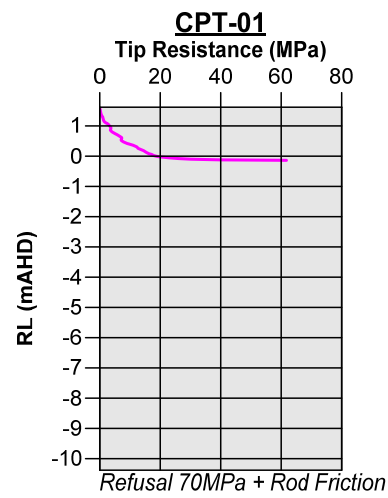
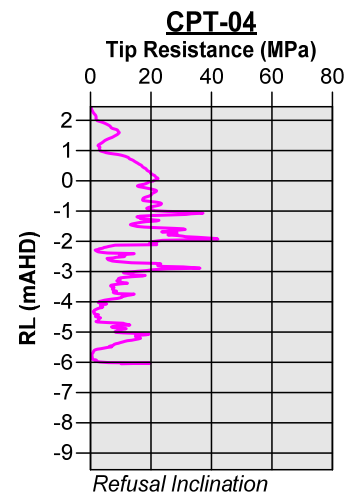
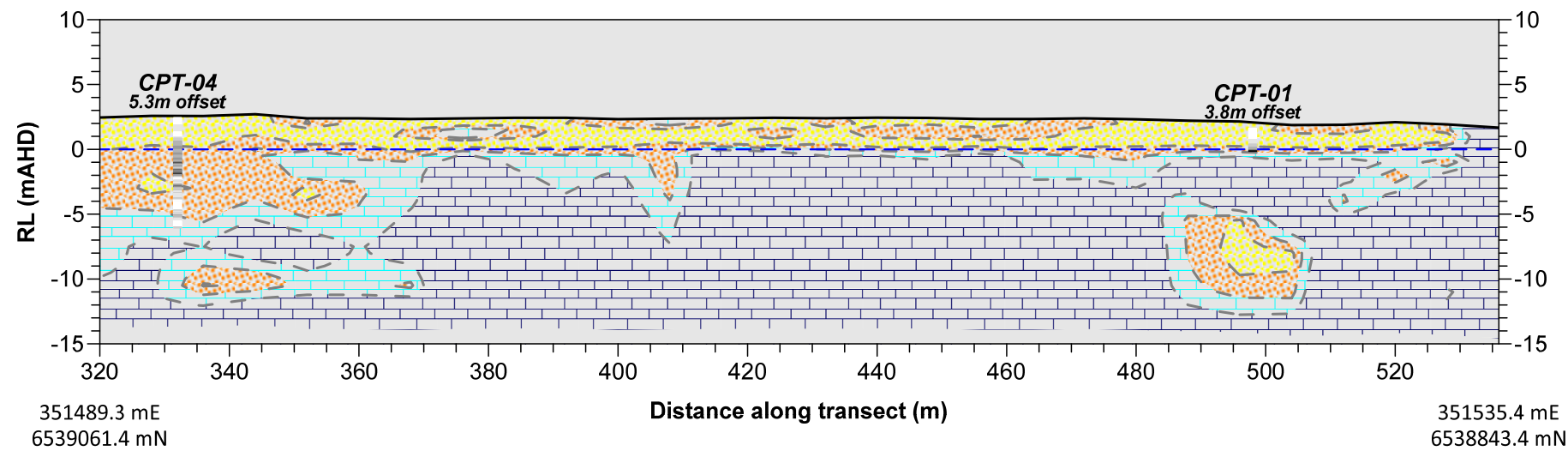
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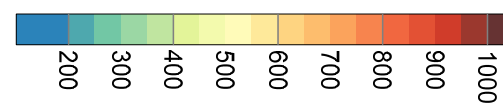
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**TRANSECT 1 (320-536m) - INTERPRETED GEOLOGICAL SECTION**



**SEISMIC S-WAVE VELOCITY (m/s)**



**INTERPRETED MATERIAL TYPE**

- SAND - LOW COMPACTION  
S-WAVE VELOCITY < 250 m/s
- SAND - MODERATE COMPACTION  
S-WAVE VELOCITY 250-350 m/s
- LOW STRENGTH WEATHERED ROCK  
S-WAVE VELOCITY 350-475 m/s
- MODERATE STRENGTH COMPETENT ROCK  
S-WAVE VELOCITY > 475 m/s.
- 0m AUSTRALIAN HEIGHT DATUM

**CONE PENETRATION TEST**

- Tip Resistance (MPa)
- 0 to <5
  - 5 to <10
  - 10 to <15
  - 15 to <20
  - 20 to <25
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  - 40 to <45
  - 45 to <50
  - Equal to or >50

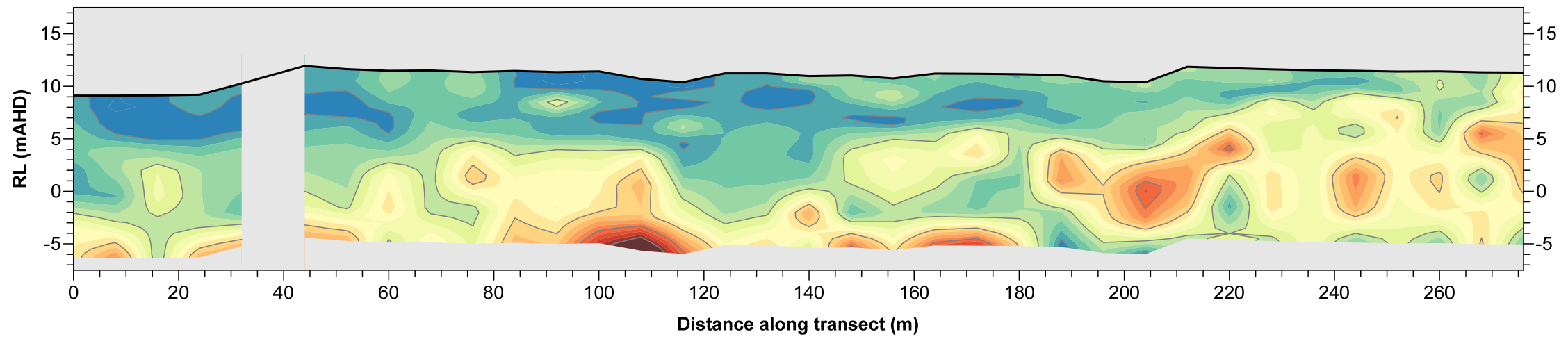
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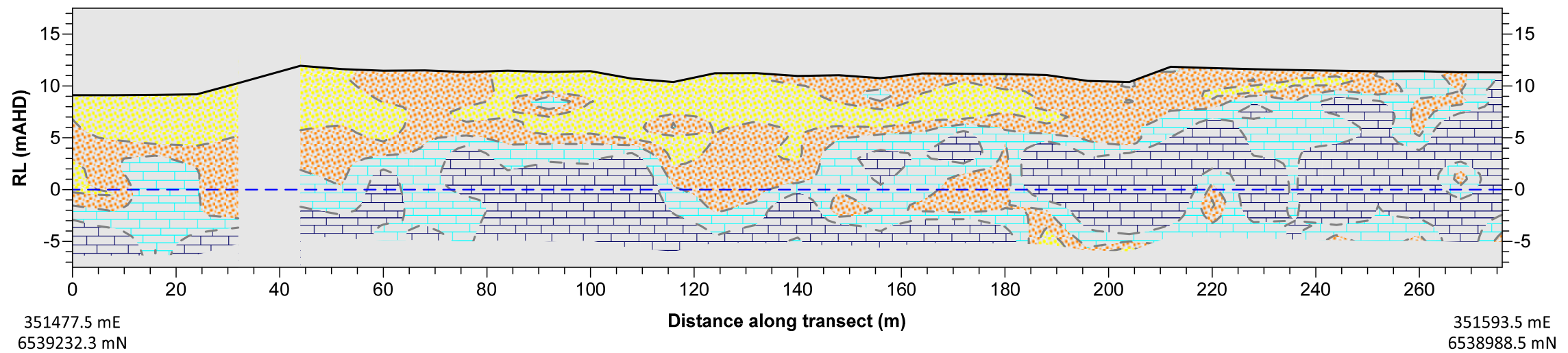
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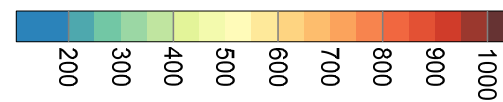
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**TRANSECT 2 - INTERPRETED GEOLOGICAL SECTION**



**SEISMIC S-WAVE VELOCITY (m/s)**



**INTERPRETED MATERIAL TYPE**

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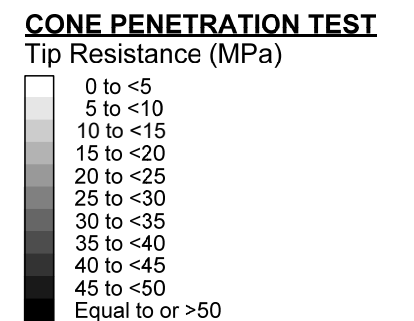
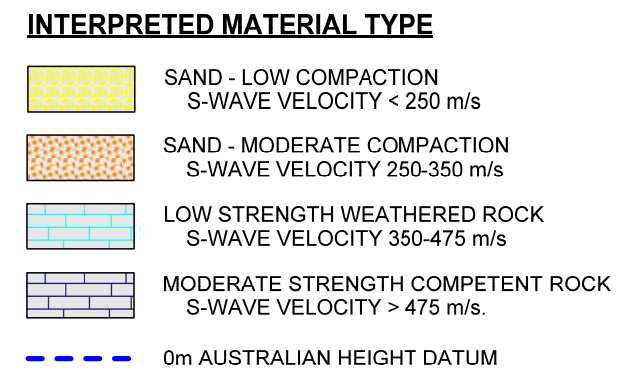
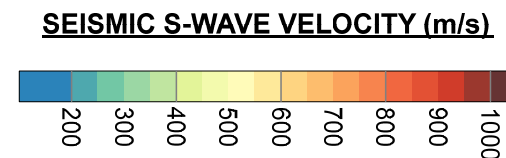
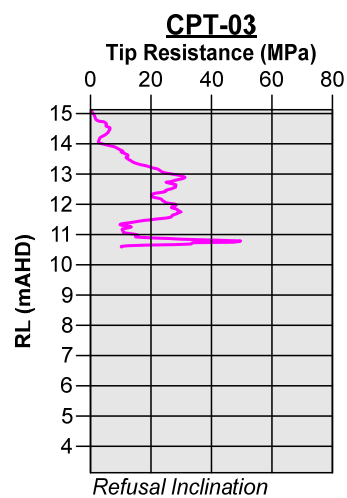
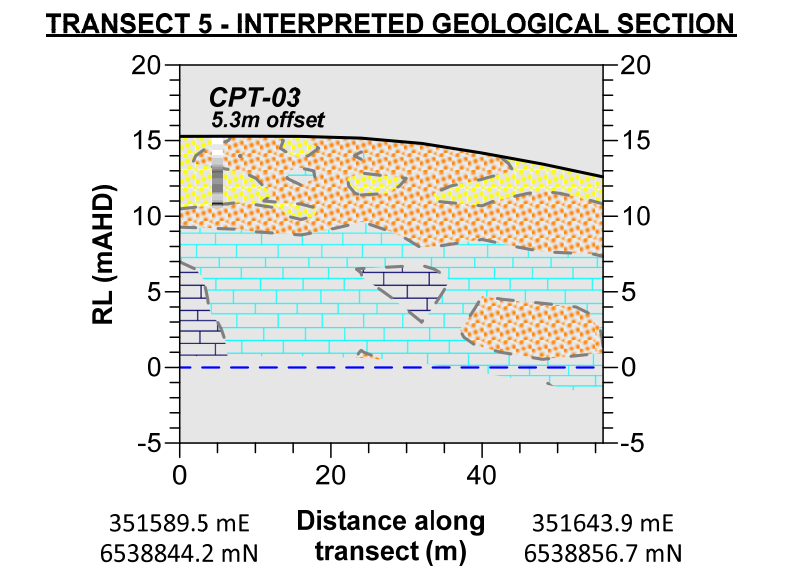
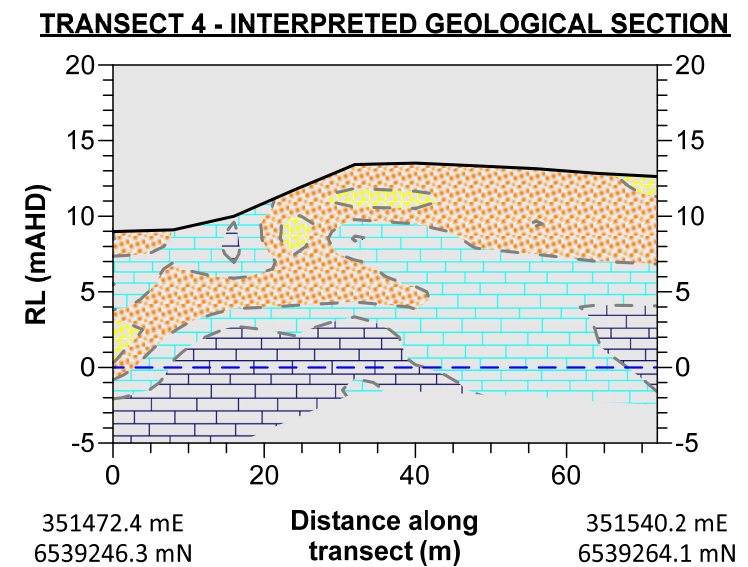
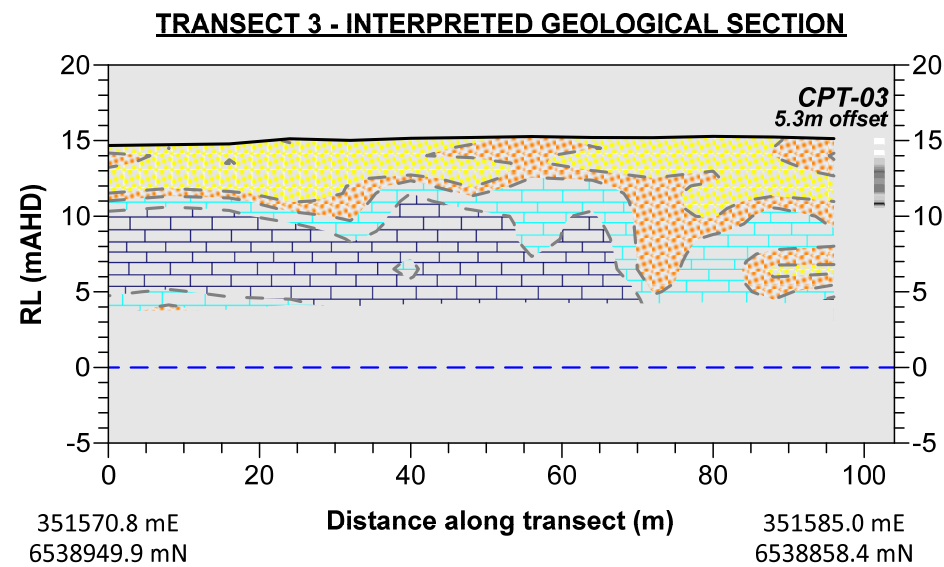
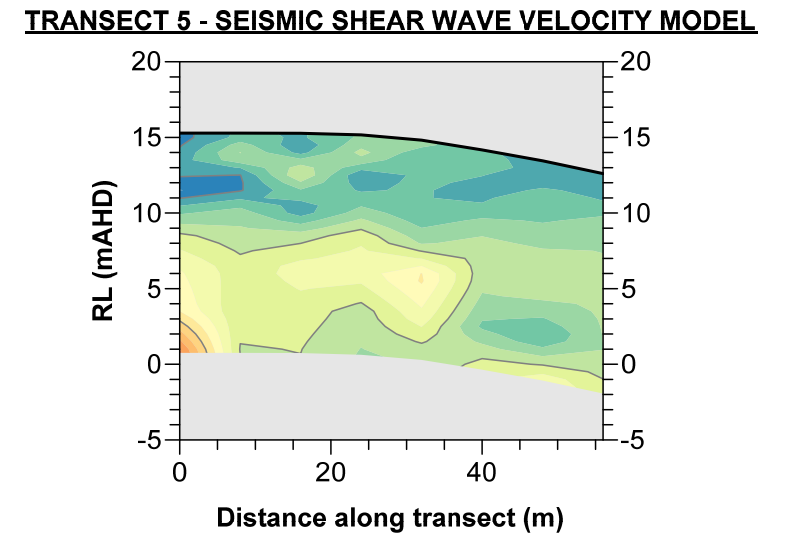
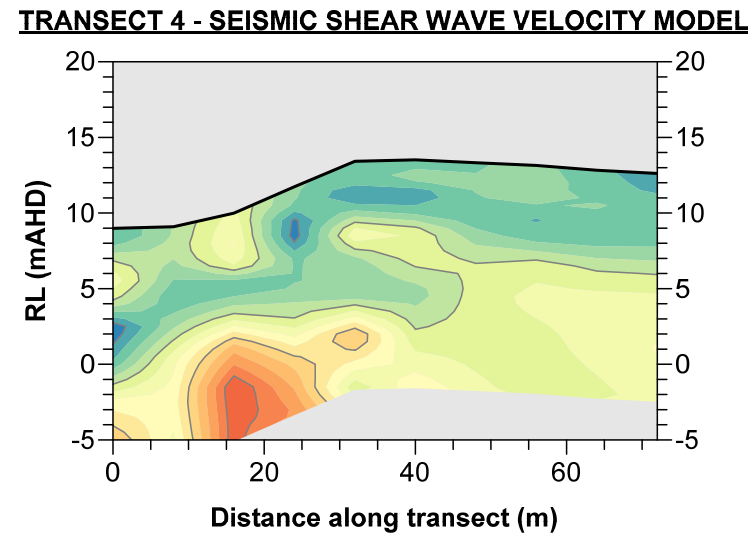
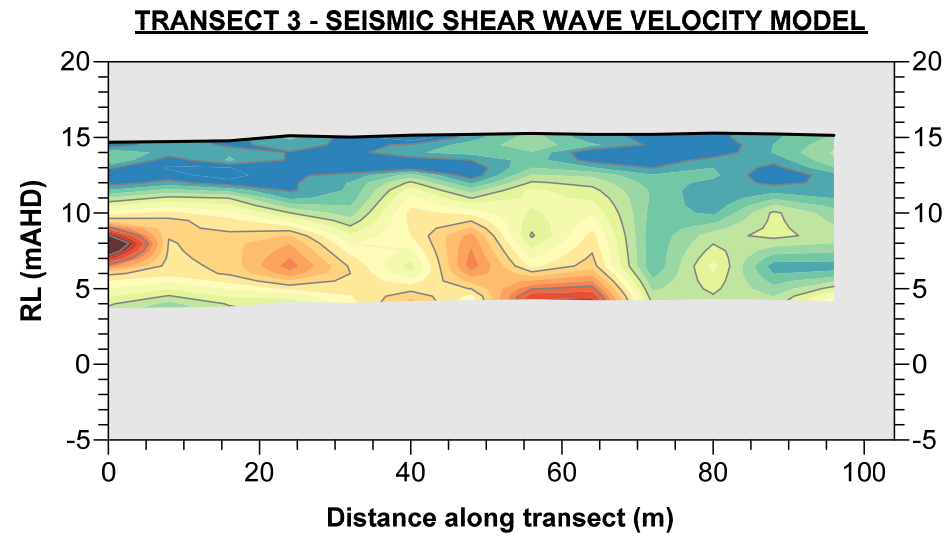
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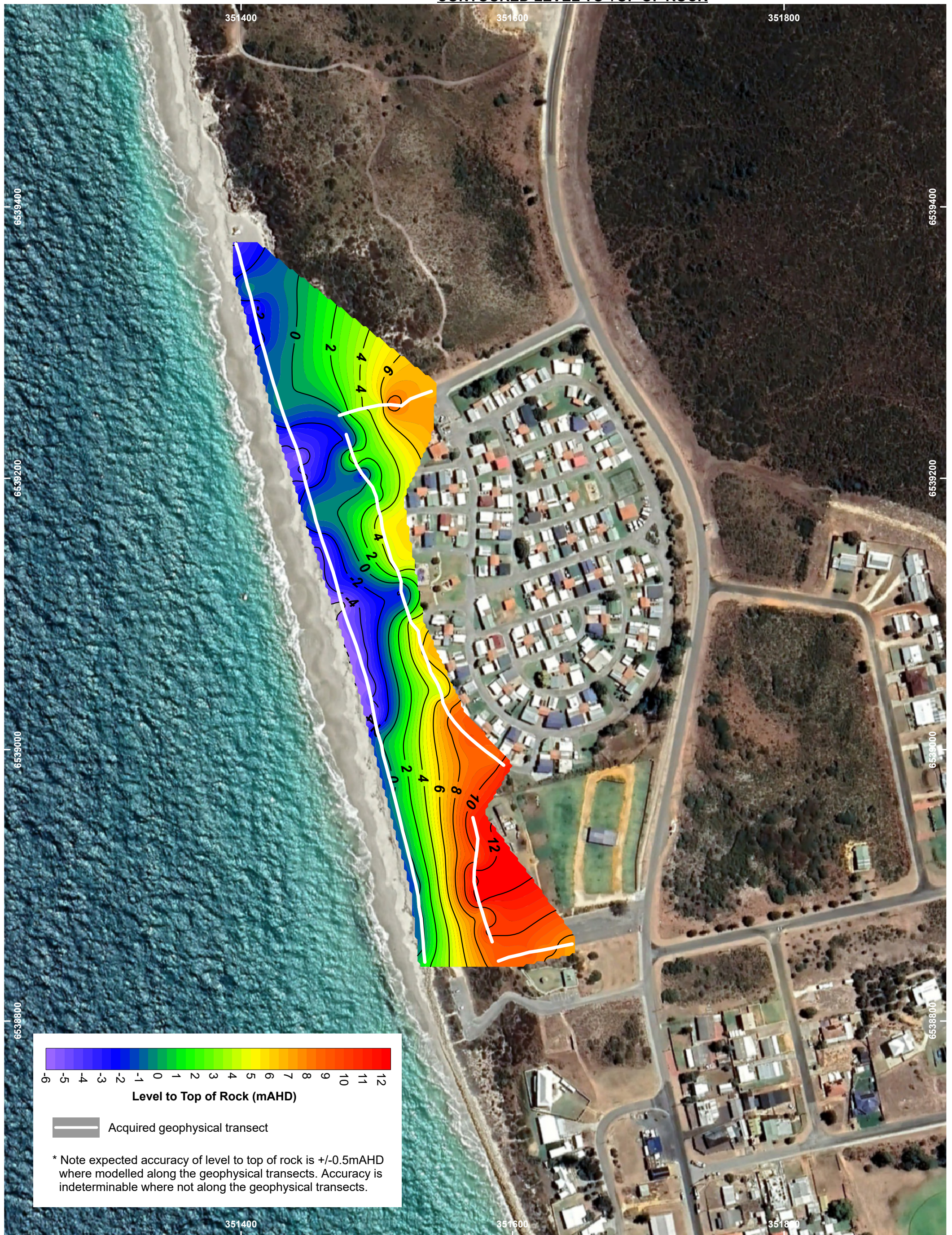
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## **APPENDIX C – MODELLED TOP OF ROCK AND SAND THICKNESS**

**CONTOURED LEVEL TO TOP OF ROCK**



**Level to Top of Rock (mAHD)**

Acquired geophysical transect

\* Note expected accuracy of level to top of rock is +/-0.5mAHD where modelled along the geophysical transects. Accuracy is indeterminable where not along the geophysical transects.

**NOTES**

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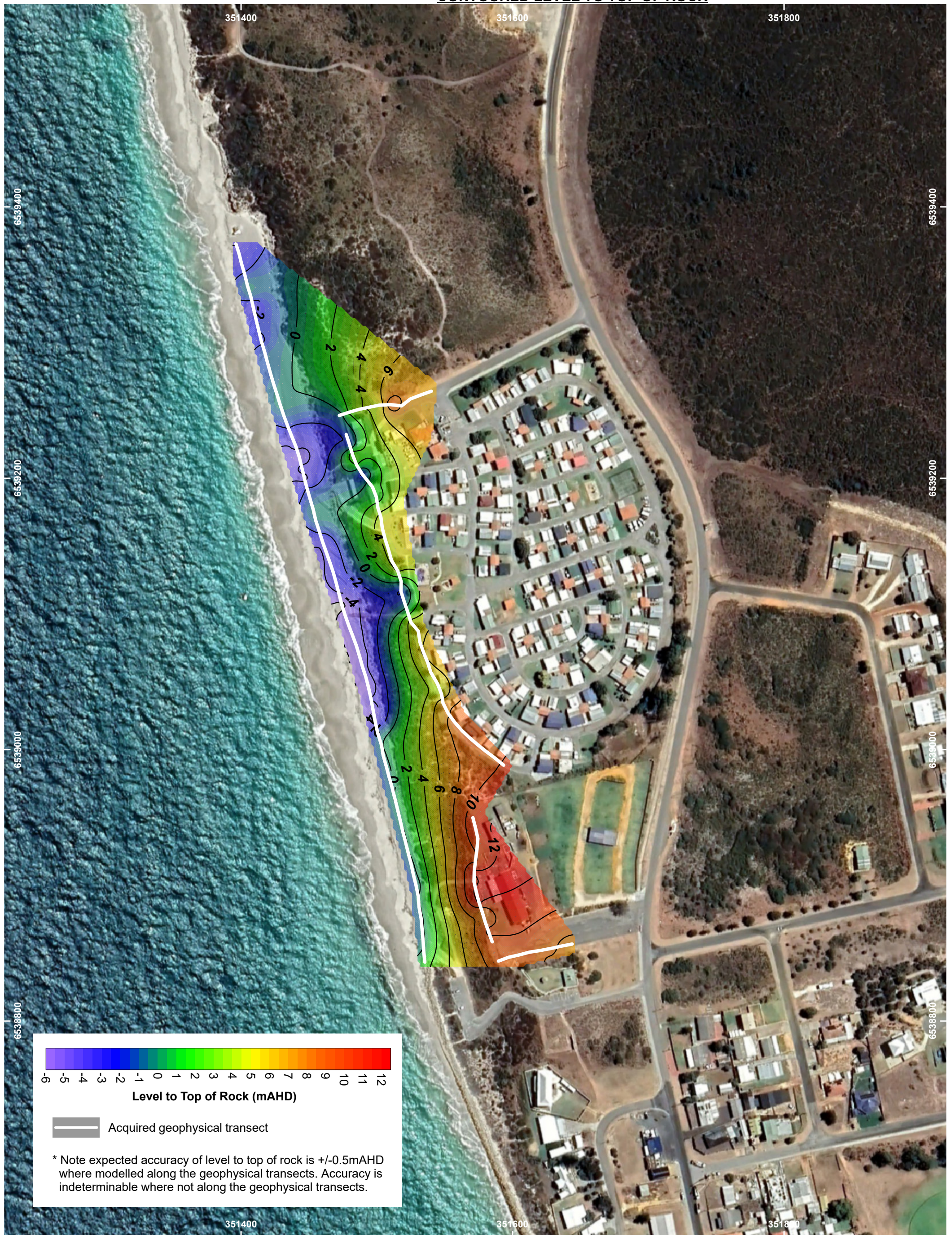
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**CONTOURED LEVEL TO TOP OF ROCK**



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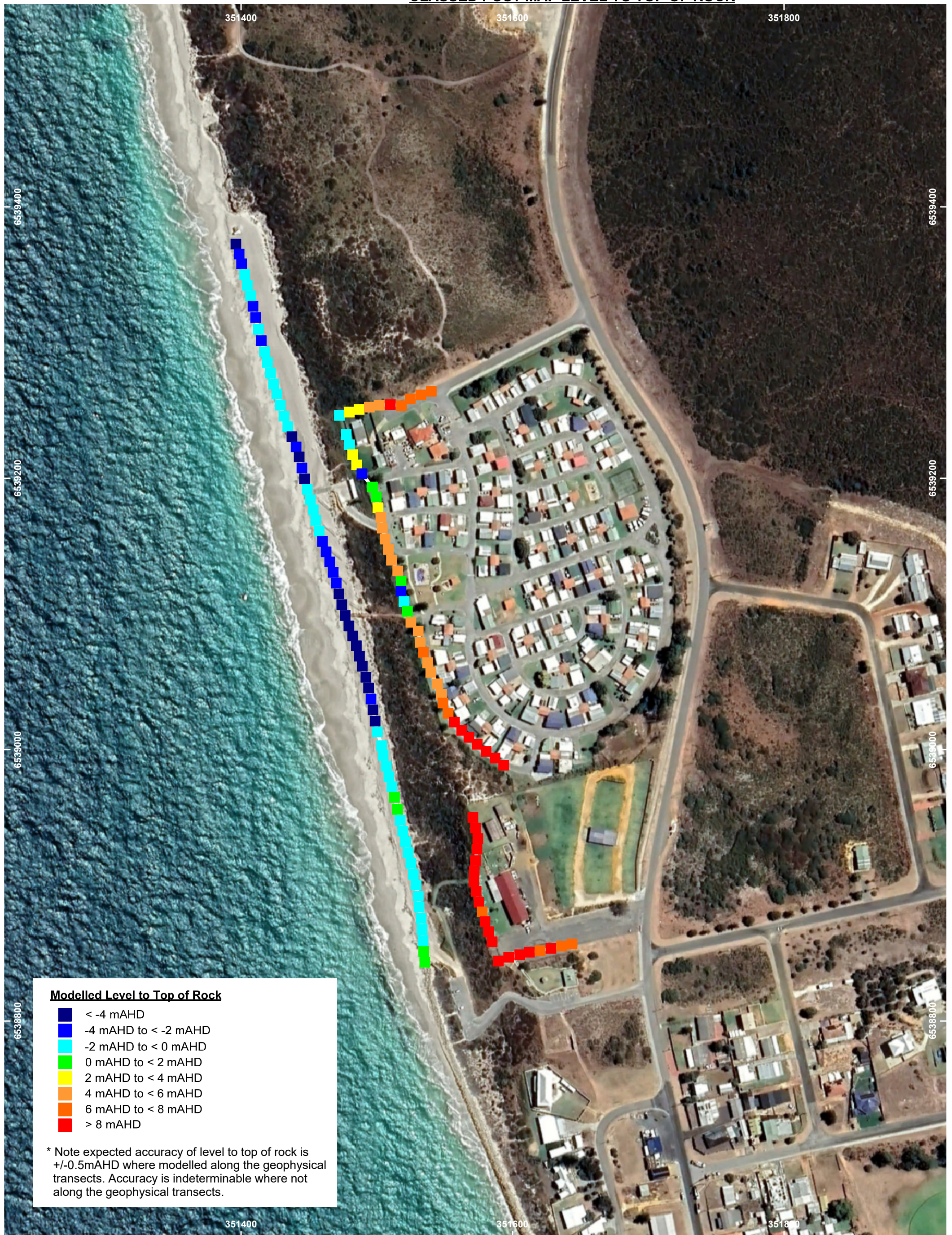
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**CLASSED POST MAP LEVEL TO TOP OF ROCK**



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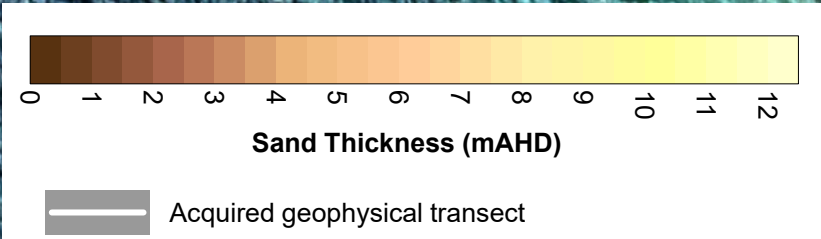
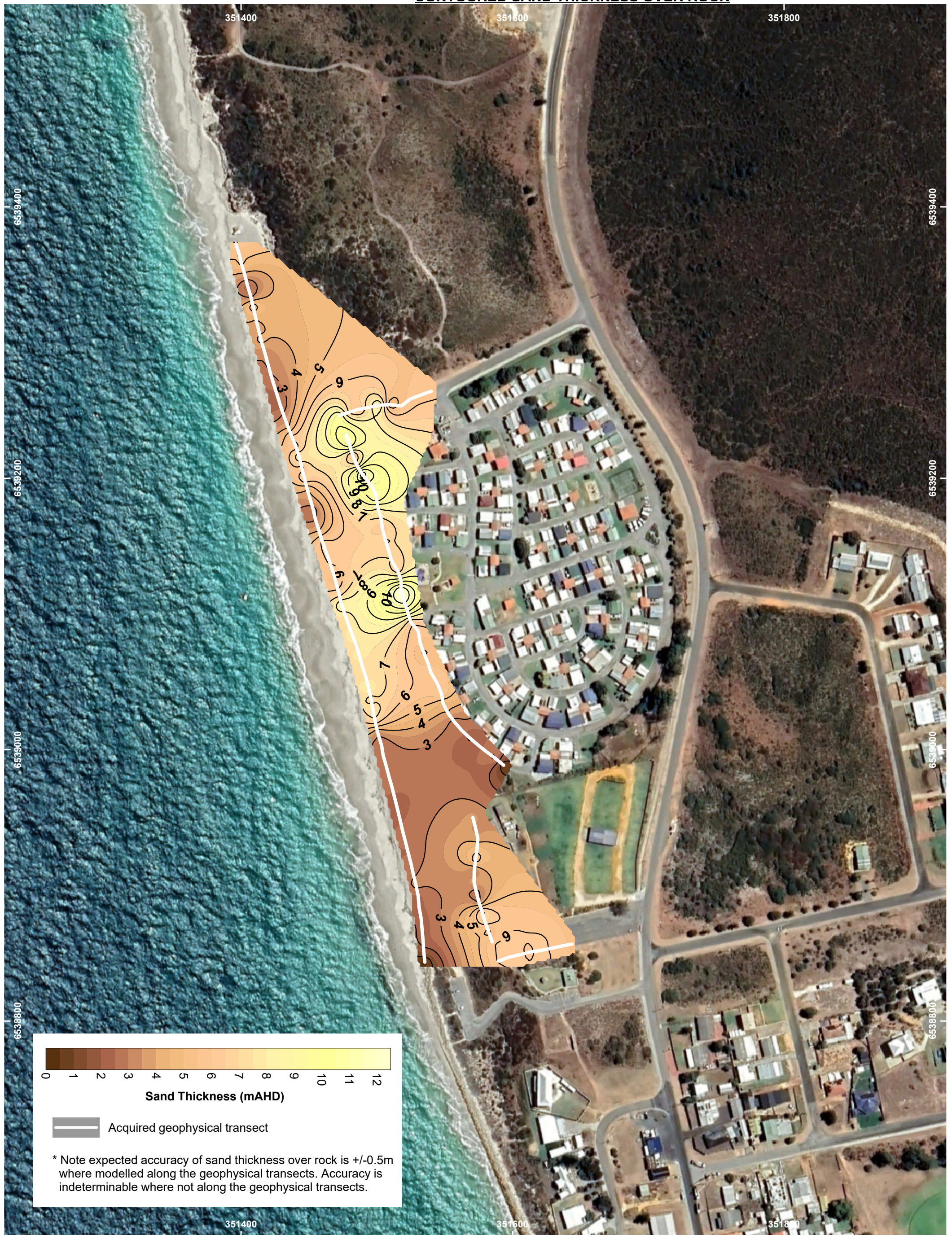


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**CONTOURED SAND THICKNESS OVER ROCK**



\* Note expected accuracy of sand thickness over rock is +/-0.5m where modelled along the geophysical transects. Accuracy is indeterminable where not along the geophysical transects.

**NOTES**

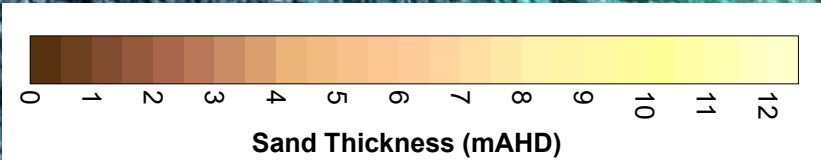
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**CONTOURED SAND THICKNESS OVER ROCK**



**Sand Thickness (mAHD)**

— Acquired geophysical transect

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**NOTES**

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**CLASSED POST MAP SAND THICKNESS OVER ROCK**



**Modelled Sand Thickness Over Rock**

- < 2 m
- 2 m to < 4 m
- 4 m to < 6 m
- 6 m to < 8 m
- 8 m to < 10 m
- 10 m to < 12 m
- > 12 m

\* Note expected accuracy of sand thickness over rock is +/-0.5m where modelled along the geophysical transects. Accuracy is indeterminable where not along the geophysical transects.

**NOTES**

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## APPENDIX D – CONE PENETRATION TEST PLOTS

# ELECTRIC FRICTION-CONE PENETROMETER

Probe I.D

CLIENT: Department of Transport

Job No.: 3073

PROJECT: Geophysical Investigation for Coastal Erosion Study

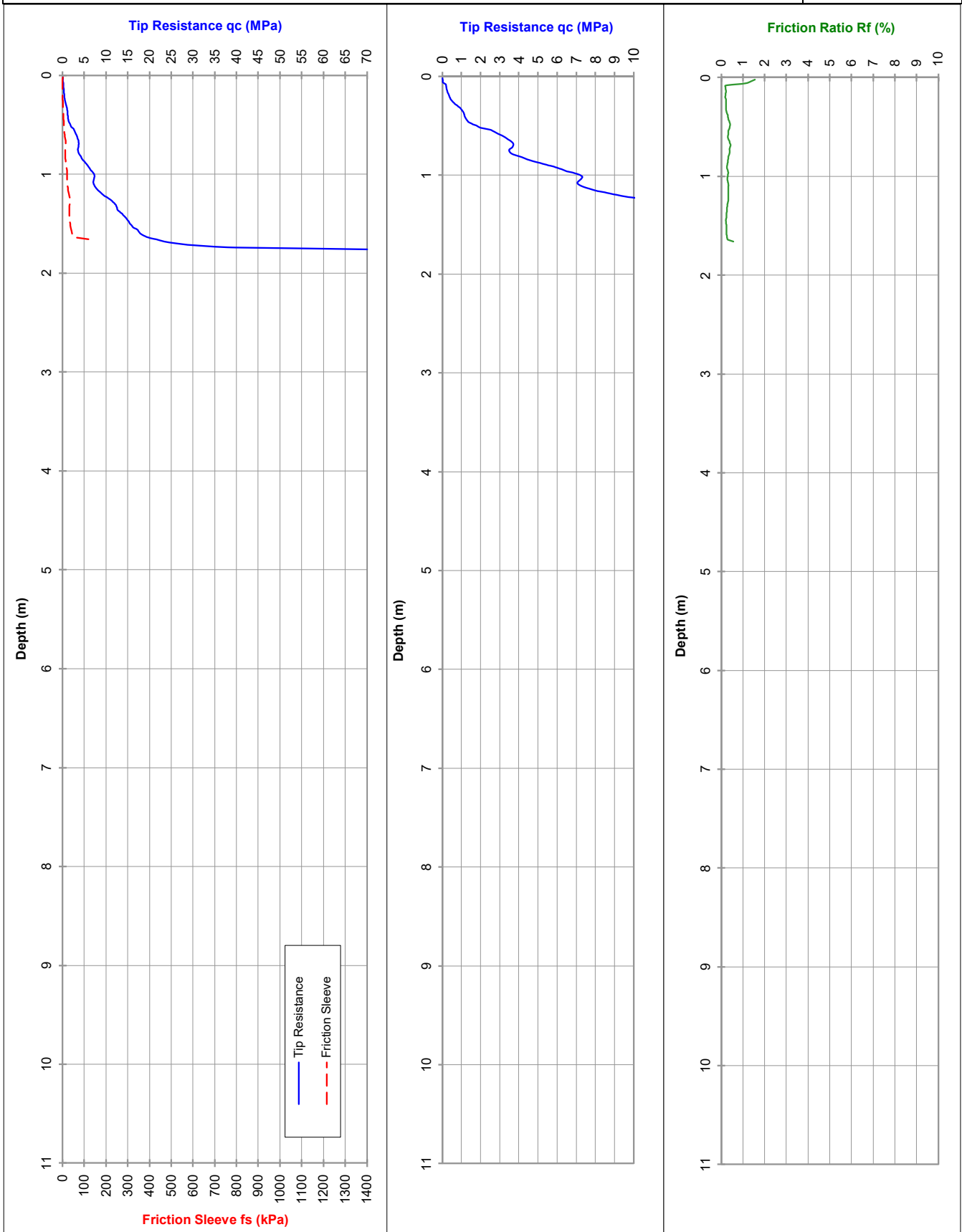
RL (m):

LOCATION: Seabird

Co-ords:

**CPT 01**

10-Jul-23



# ELECTRIC FRICTION-CONE PENETROMETER

Probe I.D

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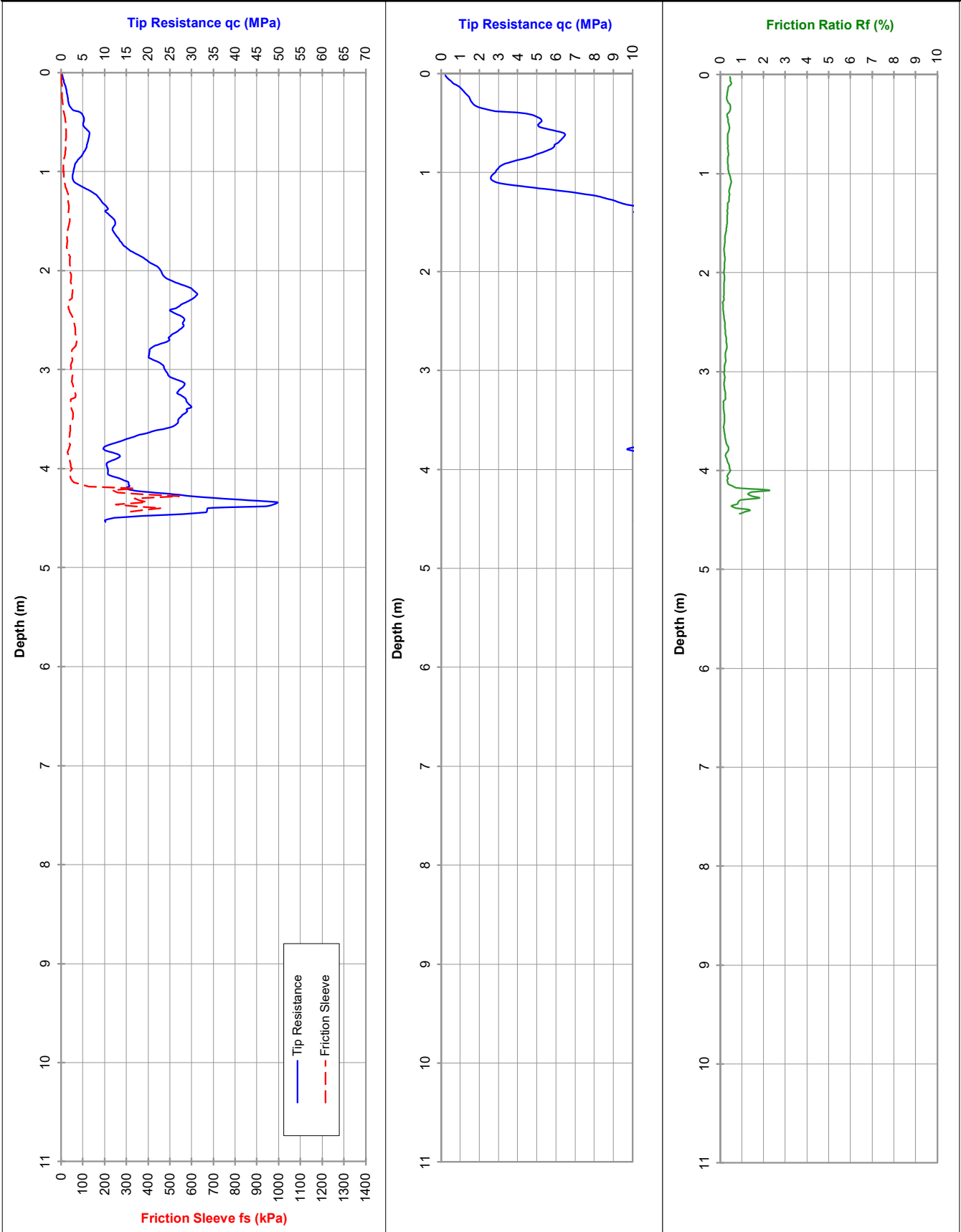
RL (m):

LOCATION: Seabird

Co-ords:

**CPT 03**

10-Jul-23



Tested in accordance with AS 1289.6.5.1-1999 and IRTF 2001 for friction reducer

Approx. water (m): Dry to 1.6

Dummy probe to (m):

Refusal: Inclination

Cone I.D.: EC46

File: GB0026T

Rig Type: 7t track



# ELECTRIC FRICTION-CONE PENETROMETER

Probe I.D

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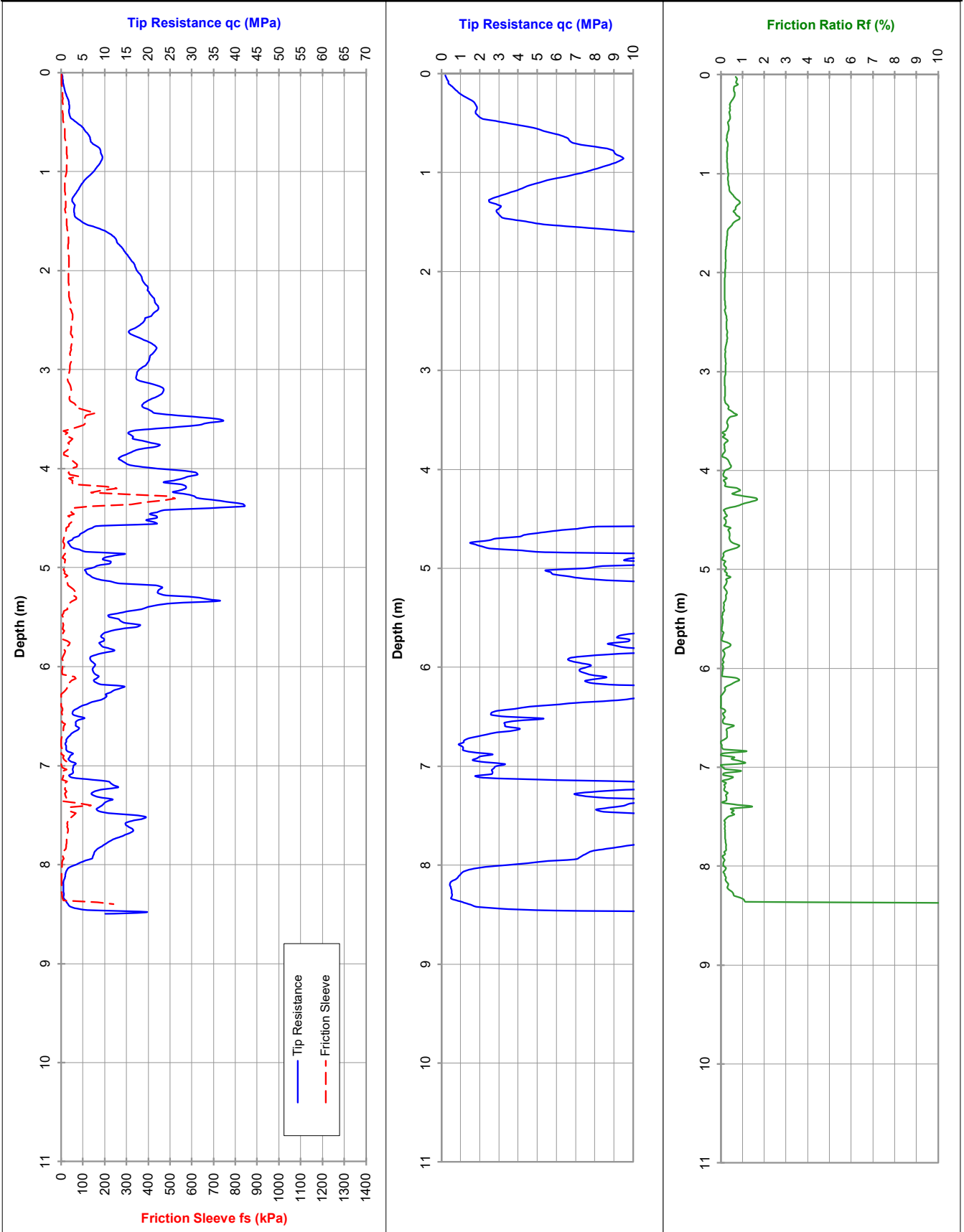
RL (m):

LOCATION: Seabird

Co-ords:

**CPT 04**

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Tested in accordance with AS 1289.6.5.1-1999 and IRTTP 2001 for friction reducer

Approx. water (m): Dry to 2.0

Dummy probe to (m):

Refusal: Inclination

Cone I.D.: EC46

File: GB0027T

Rig Type: 7t track

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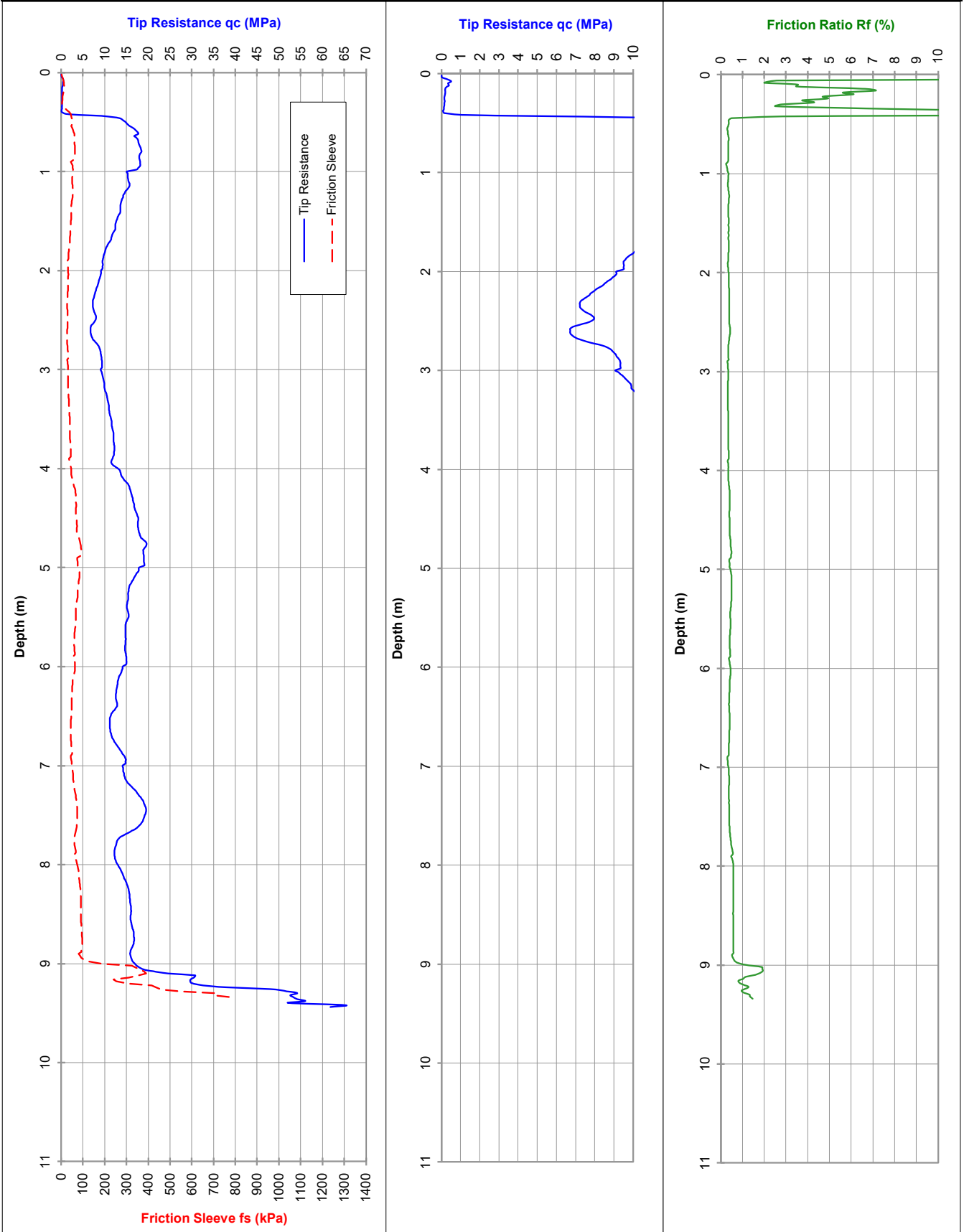
RL (m):

**CPT 05**

LOCATION: Seabird

Co-ords:

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Approx. water (m): Dry to 9.3

Dummy probe to (m): 0.4

Refusal: Inclination

Cone I.D.: EC46

File: GB0028TT

Rig Type: 22t truck (Track-Truck)

# CALIBRATION CERTIFICATE

**CONE ID:** EC46

Cone Type:	Compression
Calibration Date (qc/fs):	9 May 2023
Calibration Date (u):	7 December 2022
Preliminary Inspection:	Pass
Calibrated By:	Henry Lawer
Calibration Procedure:	ISO 22476-1:2012, IRTP 2001
Force Application:	Compression
Reference Equipment:	PT - S type 100kN Serial # 5126009 (Calibrated 10/03/23 - NATA approved Cert. No. 230664) Bongshin - S type 50kN Serial #W05345 (Calibrated 10/03/23 - NATA approved Cert. No. 230663) Digitron Panel Meter Serial #: 060213/01 (Calibrated 09/03/23 - NATA endorsed Report No. 230658, 230659, 230660)

Note: In accordance with AS1289 F5.1 the force calibration derived by NATA Calibration Certificates are converted to a qc reading in MPa and fs reading in kPa by dividing by 1000 mm<sup>2</sup> and 15000mm<sup>2</sup> respectively.

## Results of Calibration:

qc (tip resistance):		
Capacity:		100 (MPa)
Area		1000 (mm <sup>2</sup> )
Applied Load kN	Eqv. Pressure MPa	Mean Observed Reading Volts
0	0	0.000
10	10	0.742
20	20	1.502
30	30	2.267
40	40	3.035
50	50	3.800
60	60	4.564
70	70	5.324
80	80	6.087
90	90	6.852
100	100	7.616
90	90	6.860
80	80	6.101
70	70	5.343
60	60	4.582
50	50	3.820
40	40	3.058
30	30	2.291
20	20	1.523
10	10	0.753
0	0	0.002
R <sup>2</sup> Value =	1.000	

fs (sleeve friction):		
Capacity:		2000 (kPa)
Area		15000 (mm <sup>2</sup> )
Applied Force kN	Eqv. Load kPa	Mean Observed Reading Volts
0	0	0.000
3	200	0.738
6	400	1.498
9	600	2.265
12	800	3.022
15	1000	3.776
18	1200	4.531
21	1400	5.286
24	1600	6.042
27	1800	6.800
30	2000	7.558
27	1800	6.835
24	1600	6.085
21	1400	5.332
18	1200	4.577
15	1000	3.821
12	800	3.064
9	600	2.302
6	400	1.535
3	200	0.772
0	0	0.003
R <sup>2</sup> Value =	1.000	

u (pore pressure):		
Capacity:		3500 (kPa)
Position		u2
Applied Pressure bar	Eqv. Pressure kPa	Mean Observed Reading Volts
0	0	0.000
3	300	0.414
6	600	0.830
9	900	1.243
12	1200	1.656
15	1500	2.070
18	1800	2.483
21	2100	2.895
25	2500	3.444
30	3000	4.130
35	3500	4.816
30	3000	4.137
25	2500	3.455
21	2100	2.900
18	1800	2.489
15	1500	2.074
12	1200	1.660
9	900	1.246
6	600	0.830
3	300	0.416
0	0	0.000
R <sup>2</sup> Value =	1.000	

Zero Load Error: 0.03%  
Max. Linearity 0.31%  
Max. Hysteris 0.33%

Zero Load Error: 0.03%  
Max. Linearity 0.47%  
Max. Hysteris 0.62%

Zero Load Error: 0.01%  
Max. Linearity 0.24%  
Max. Hysteris 0.23%

MPa/Volt: 13.109

kPa/Volt: 264.13

kPa/Volt: 726.10  
Net Area (calibrated): 0.83

**"Class 1"** Application Accuracy achieved (in accordance with ISO 22476:2012 classification)

Calibration Checked & Authorised: Kylie Walker

Job Details

Client: GB Geotechnics  
Rep: Stephen Kelly  
Location: Seabird

Date of Job: 10/07/23  
Tip Diameter: 35.52  
Sleeve Diameter: 35.81

## MOROOKA (M2)

11 tonne track mounted CPT Rig



### SPECIFICATIONS

Overall Dimensions	Width: 2.3m; Length: 5.3m; Height: 3.2m (while travelling) Height: 4.4m (while probing)
Gross Weight	11 tonne
Ground Bearing Capacity	0.38 kg/cm <sup>2</sup> (37kPa / 5.4psi)
Speed (Low/High)	Low gear: 8.3km High gear: 12km/h on level ground
Grade ability	60%
Engine	Mitsubishi (3910cc) 110 HP @ 2,800 rpm
Fuel Tank	80 L (Diesel)
Drive System	HST
Tracks	600mm wide rubber tracks
Levelling Jacks	0.8m stroke

### EQUIPMENT / FEATURES

Other Equipment / Features	2.4m x 1.2m Plastic Bog Boards 1 x 9kg ABE Fire extinguisher Air conditioned work cabin and drive cabin
Transport	Prime Mover & 10m Drop-deck trailer with ramps

### SERVICES

Geotechnical Services provided	CPT, CPTu, SCPT, SCPTu (1, 5, 10, & 15 tonne cones) DMT, SDMT Dissipation Testing Ball Penetrometer CPT casing for additional rod support Dual Tube (percussion) sampling Piston Sampling MOSTAP and PROBEDRILL soil sampling Vane Shear Testing (Electronically driven) Vibrating Wire Installation Water Sampling Standpipe Installation (20mm; 32mm & 50mm)
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