

# 2023 WET WEATHER PREPAREDNESS REPORT AND WINTER OPERATIONS PLAN

**SUNSHINE CANYON  
CITY/COUNTY LANDFILL**

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**SUBJECT: 2023 WET WEATHER PREPAREDNESS REPORT AND WINTER OPERATIONS  
PLAN - SUNSHINE CANYON CITY/COUNTY LANDFILL -AUGUST 2023**

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In accordance with the Sunshine Canyon City/County Landfill (SCL), Solid Waste Facility Permit (SWFP) (Facility #19-AA-2000), Condition 16.I, SWT Engineering (SWT) has prepared this Wet Weather Preparedness Report and Winter Operations Plan (Wet Weather Preparedness Report) on behalf of Browning Ferris Industries of California, Inc. dba Sunshine Canyon Landfill, Inc. As reported in prior years, the goals of the Wet Weather Improvements installed at the SCL are classified under four categories:

1. **Sediment Management:** Consists of constructed measures to minimize suspended solids from the site runoff exiting the terminal basin;
2. **Erosion Control Measures:** Consists of features to prevent rainfall and runoff erosion of daily and intermediate soil layers that cover active refuse fill areas with the purpose of preventing storm water contact to buried refuse. This includes grading of soil covers to prevent surface ponding and subsequent storm water infiltration into the existing refuse fill;
3. **Maintenance:** Consists of maintaining existing storm water control structures serving both the active and the closed refuse fill areas; and
4. **Expansion:** Consists of installing new runoff control systems to meet the changing needs of the site due to ongoing fill operations.

According to the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (LA RWQCB) inspection on April 21, 2023, and the Notice of Violation (NOV) letter received on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the site performed its wet weather prep prior to August 17<sup>th</sup> to meet the NOV requirements. During the site review prior that date, the site completed all tasks presented in the NOV; however, on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 the southern California area experienced a tropical storm from the Hurricane Hilary event, in which the site received over 5.5 inches of rain. As this was an extremely rare case for a heavy storm event in August for Southern California, several of the winter preparations that were done were impacted by the hurricane.

Some of the impacted site features included new sediment in all stormwater basins, collection of sediment in stormwater channels, some minor erosion rilling, and new sediment around stormwater inlets. A majority of these items have already been addressed. The following section breaks down the four classified categories listed above for the SCL that were completed year to date.

**Sediment Management and Erosion Control Measures – (Categories 1 and 2):**

The following is a list of work that has been completed to address sediment management and erosion control on site (improvements shown on Drawings 1 and 2 attached):

- Installed 26 acres of Closure Turf (2017) to provide slope protection on slope areas east of the administration buildings (See Drawing 2);
- Inspected Filtrexx compost rolls at the toe of disturbed slopes throughout various areas of the site, and replaced/added rolls on an as needed basis;
- Track-walked slopes throughout the site to reduce slope erosion and allow establishment of seeded or native vegetation in non-active areas;
- Inspected the basin risers filter fabric in Basins A, B, and D, replaced as needed;
- Cleaned the skimmer systems in the Terminal Basin to make sure they are functioning properly;
  - Repaired the terminal basin outlet riser after the 2022/2023 storm damage;
- Installed approximately ±16.5 acres of fiber rolls spaced at 15-feet vertically on landfill slopes;
- Graded active landfill decks to prevent erosion by avoiding overly steepened swales with deck berms;
- Based in operational wet weather deck with recycled asphalt concrete;
- Added geotextile k-rail wraps to help create sedimentation traps; and
- Graded soil cover in active landfill areas to prevent surface ponding.

**Maintenance and Expansion of Storm Water Control Systems – (Categories 3 and 4):**

The following is a list of maintenance and new stormwater project that have been completed on site (improvements shown on Drawings 1 and 2 attached):

- Removal of silt, gravel check dams, and vegetation from the perimeter channels;
- Cleanout of sediment from Basins A B, D, and the Terminal Basin;
- Cleaned the skimmer systems in the Terminal Basin to make sure they are functioning properly;
- Cleaned out the access road trench drain systems;
- Graded benches to promote positive drainage and reduce overtopping;
- Cleaned pipes and inlets of vegetation and litter;
- Fiber rolls were installed prior to down drain flumes/channels, and at the base of all stockpiles;
- Construction of Diversion Berms and swales were created or reconstructed to create flows towards drainage inlets/perimeter channels;
- Repaired and installed drainage pipes to convey stormwater to the perimeter;
- Installed drainage slides to help with temporary drainage areas;

- Installed a pumping system (prior to the first rain) in low points; and
- Repaired pipe joints and reset down-drains as required.

#### **Constructed/Maintained Sediment Management and Erosion Control Measures:**

The following control systems were constructed prior to the 2023-2024 wet weather season that have remained in place as part of the site's overall stormwater management plan:

- 26 Acres of Closure Turf (2017) and 15+ acres of coconut matting (2017-2019) on interim refuse fill slopes;
- Western perimeter drainage channel after sedimentation Basin A;
- Drainage improvements along the northeast perimeter road; and
- Graded landfill decks to ensure drainage to the perimeter channels/basins in the northwest via pumping system.

#### **Planned Sediment Management and Erosion Control Measures:**

As stated above, the site experienced over 5.5 inches of rainfall from Hurricane Hilary on August 22, which impacted several of the site's winter preparations. Therefore, and as previously communicated to the LEA and LA RWQCB, the site is finalizing the remaining improvements which are expected to be completed by October 15<sup>th</sup>. The following is a list of those improvements, which are shown on the "Planned Winterization" Drawings 3 and 4 apart of this submittal:

- Finish installing approximately ±8.5 acres of fiber rolls spaced at 15-feet vertically on landfill slopes;
- Cleanout of sediment from Basin A (Note: Basin A to be cleaned out as time permits and material is safe to remove); and
- Install drainage slides to help with temporary drainage areas.

#### **Sediment Management and Erosion Control Measures:**

The SCL has the Entrance Road Improvements Construction Project which consists of three primary phases and is currently managed under a distinct Construction SWPPP overseen by Sukut Construction. Interim and post-development BMP's are included in the SWPPP and adhere to the requirements of the Construction General Permit (CGP). These measures are shown on the figures within Attachment 1 and Attachment 2 of this plan. A copy of the complete Construction SWPPP is available on SMARTS or per request.

#### **Wet Weather Preparedness:**

The Wet Weather Preparedness plan including actions that would be taken prior to a predicted severe wet weather event. These measures will be taken at least 24 hours prior to the projected on-set of the event. The application of these additional measures will be based on an assessment of the existing site conditions prior to the event and what additional measures will be most effective in minimizing surface erosions. The additional measures may include some or all of the following actions:

- Inspection of all onsite inlets to ensure they are clear;
- Drainage benches to be inspected ensure proper cambered to the inside hinge to reduce overtopping and erosion of the slopes;
- Additional fiber rolls/straw wattles will be placed on slope areas at approximately 15 vertical feet to slow stormwater flow as needed;
- Application of soil stabilizer containing polymers formulated specifically for stabilization of slopes on appropriate slope areas, where applicable; and
- Construction of additional stormwater control berms is necessary to direct stormwater flow to the appropriate existing on-site structures based on ongoing refuse filling operations.

Site inspections by SCL personnel will be conducted to ensure that all controls remain in place and any items that need to be addressed are completed prior to a rain event. Erosion and sediment controls will be assessed after each rain event and any actions needed to repair or replace a control will be addressed.

**Site Inspection:**

The SCL was inspected throughout the spring and summer of 2023 to prepare the site for the 2023-2024 wet weather season by the following staff and 3<sup>rd</sup> party consultants:

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If you have any questions or require any additional information about this report or the SCL itself, please feel free to contact Paul Koster at 818-200-3016.

Sincerely,  
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Environmental Manager  
Sunshine Canyon Landfill



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**Enclosures:**

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| Drawing 1:    | Constructed Northern Winterization Plan 1  |
| Drawing 2:    | Constructed Southern Winterization Plan 2  |
| Drawing 3:    | Planned Northern Winterization Plan 1 (none planned not included)                          |
| Drawing 4:    | Planned Southern Winterization Plan 2 (none planned not included)                          |
| Attachment 1: | Entrance Road Improvements Construction Project Erosion Control Measures for Phase 1 and 2 |
| Attachment 2: | Entrance Road Improvements Construction Project Erosion Control Measures for Phase 3       |

## DRAWINGS

- DRAWING 1: COMPLETED NORTHERN WINTERIZATION PLAN 1
- DRAWING 2: COMPLETED SOUTHERN WINTERIZATION PLAN 2
- DRAWING 3: PLANNED NORTHERN WINTERIZATION PLAN 1
- DRAWING 4: PLANNED SOUTHERN WINTERIZATION PLAN 2

## LEGEND

	APPROXIMATE PROPERTY BOUNDARY
	EXISTING GRADE CONTOUR
	SILT FENCE
	TOP DECK BERM
	LITTER FENCE
	FLOW ARROW
	SOIL BINDER
	CLOSURE TURF
	COCONUT EROSION CONTROL BLANKET
	CEDAR WOOD CHIP COVERING

## BMP's

- ① CLEAN OUT SOIL FROM EARTHEN/CONCRETE BASIN
- ② CLEAN OUT INLET AND PLACE A FIBER ROLL STAKED IN PLACE AROUND OPENING (SE-0)
- ③ CLEAN OUT V-DITCH
- ④ CLEAN SEDIMENT FROM PERIMETER CHANNEL
- ⑤ CLEAN OUT INLET AND REPAIR PIPE
- ⑨ INSPECT RISER PIPE(S) AND 16 OZ/SY GEOTEXTILE WRAP, REPLACE IF DAMAGED AND PLACE COBBLE ROCK AROUND FOR PROTECTION
- ⑯ INSTALL RICE ROLLS EVERY 15-VERTICAL FEET ON LEVEL CONTOUR
- ⑰ INSTALL TEMPORARY SLIP LINER DOWN CHUTE
- ⑱ CONSTRUCT TOP DECK EARTHEN BERM TO DIRECT FLOW TO LOW POINT INLET
- ⑲ FILL IN LOW POINTS WITH SOIL TO CREATE POSITIVE DRAINAGE TO PERIMETER DRAINAGE FEATURES
- ⑳ REMOVE AND RECONSTRUCT DRAINAGE BERM AND SWALE TO ALLOW STORMWATER TO DRAIN TOWARDS EXISTING INLET
- ㉑ INSTALL RICE ROLL AROUND THE TOE OF THE TOP DECK STOCKPILE (LIMITS PER CURRENT CONDITION)
- ㉒ REPAIR EROSION ON SLOPE TO 90% RELATIVE COMPACTION
- ㉓ BACKFILL CHANNEL EDGE TO STOP UNDERMINING
- ㉔ REPLACED DOWN DRAIN CHANNEL PER ENGINEERS RECOMMENDATIONS
- ㉕ STABILIZE SLOPE PER GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERS RECOMMENDATIONS



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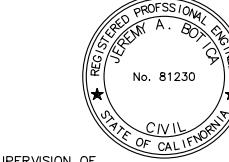
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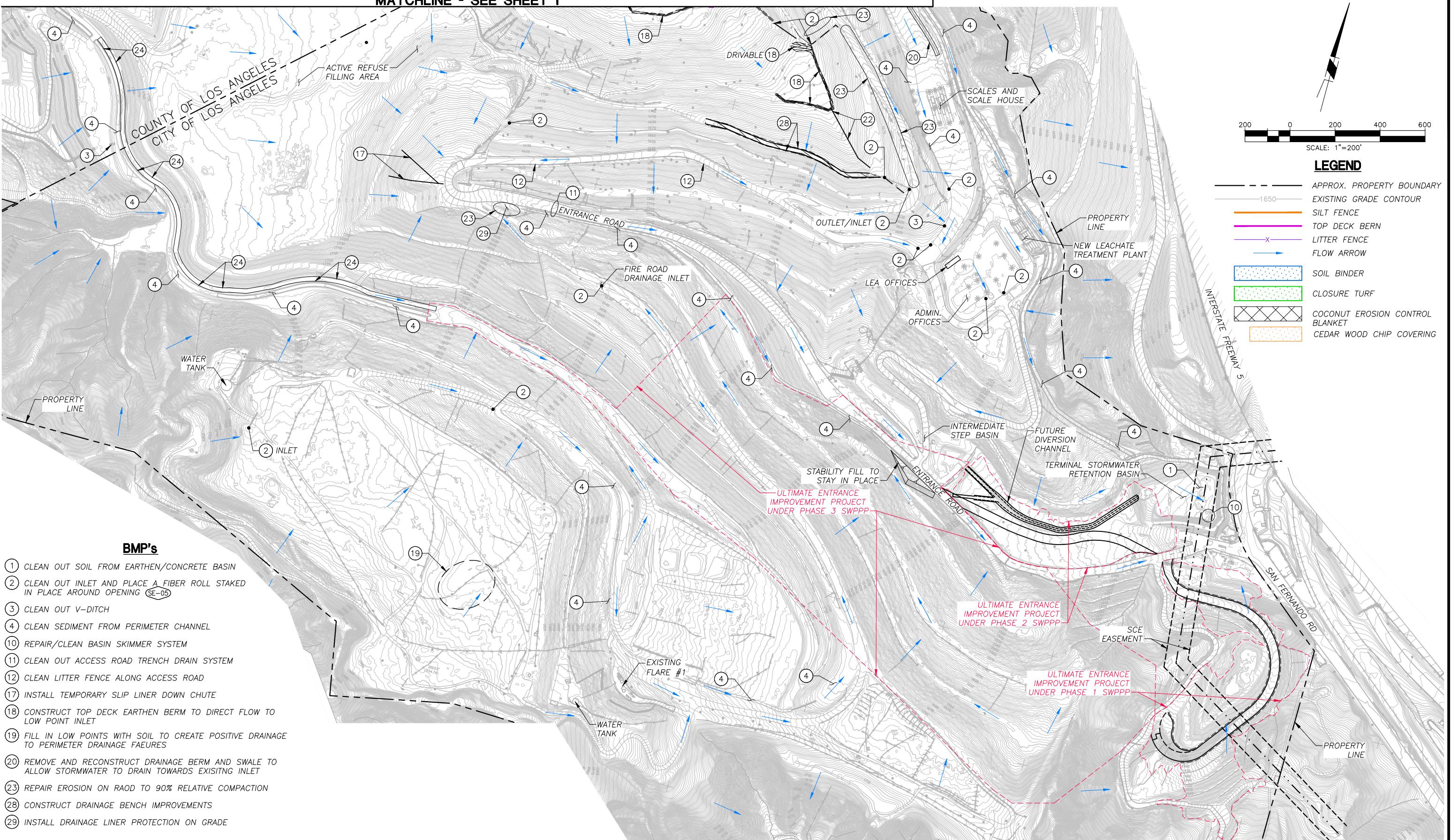
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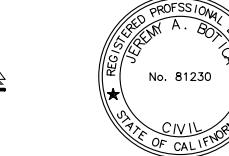
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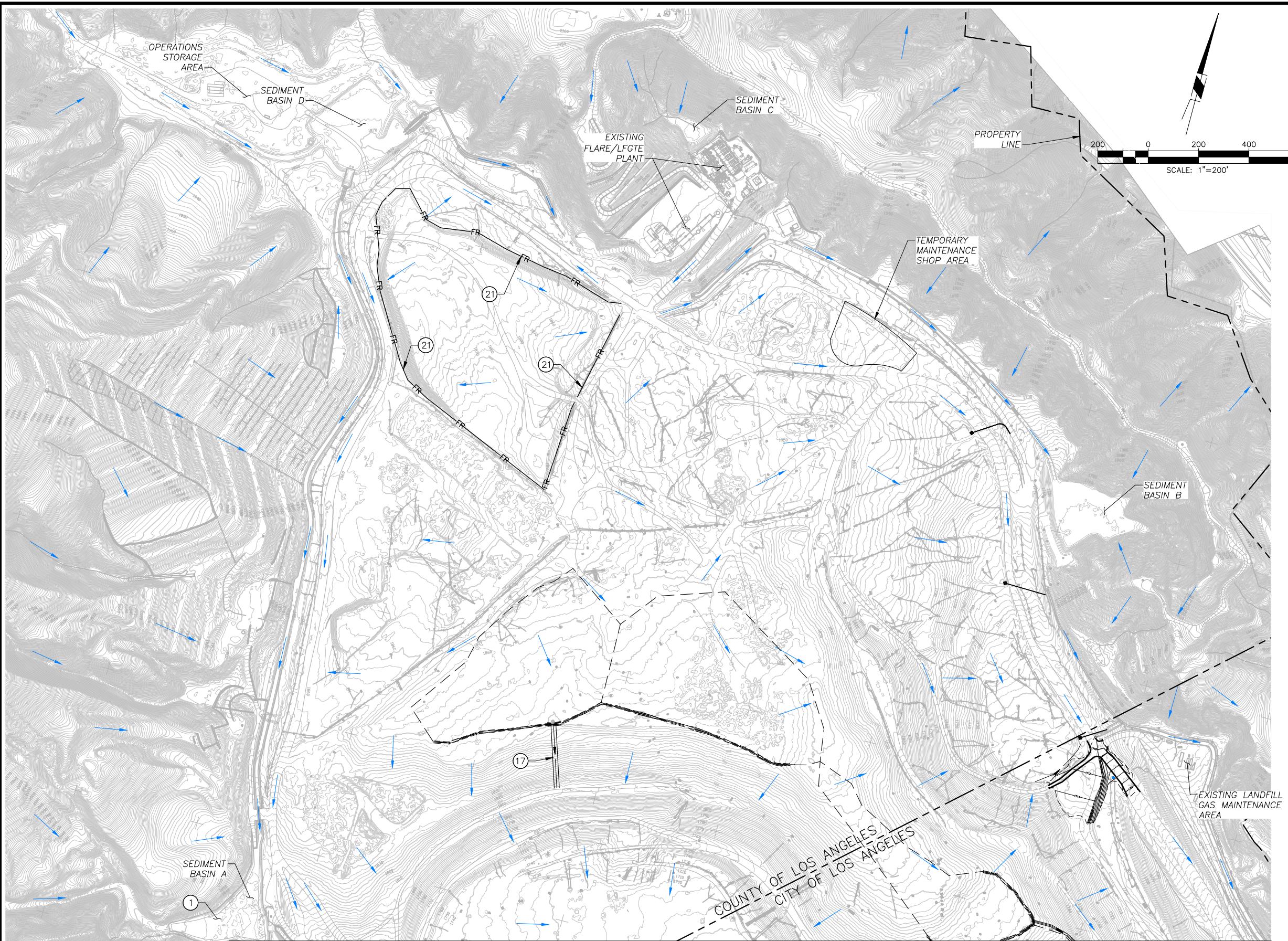
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### NOTES:

1. ALL DECK BERMS AND SLOPE FIBER ROLLS SHALL BE INSTALLED AND COMPLETED PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1ST.
2. ALL HYDROSEEDING TO BE INSTALLED AFTER FIRST RAIN EVENT IN OCTOBER/NOVEMBER TO HELP IMPROVE GERMINATION.

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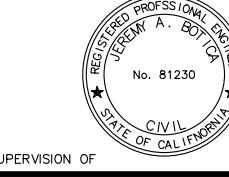
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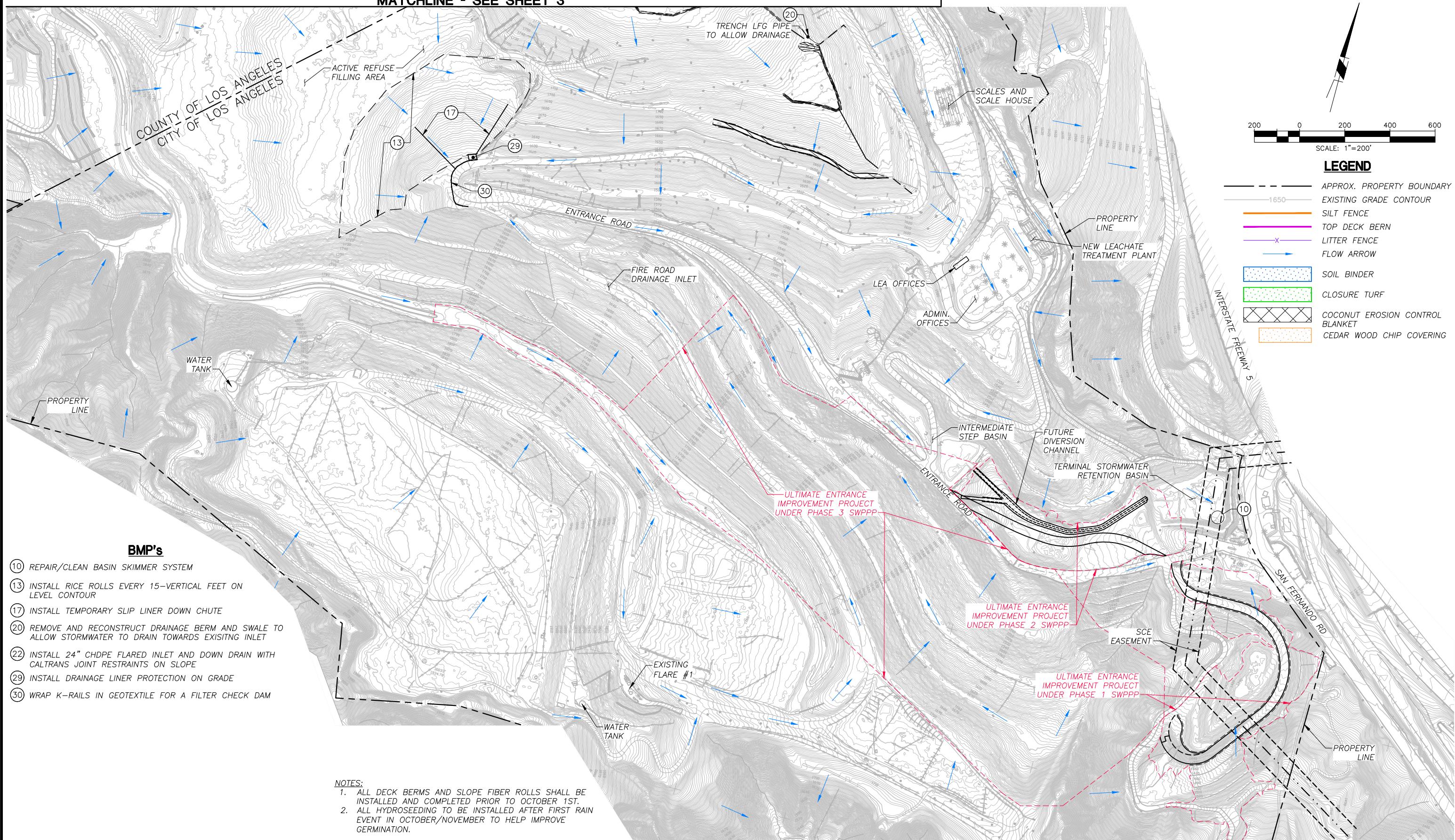
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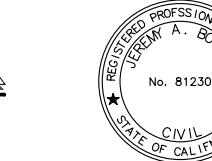


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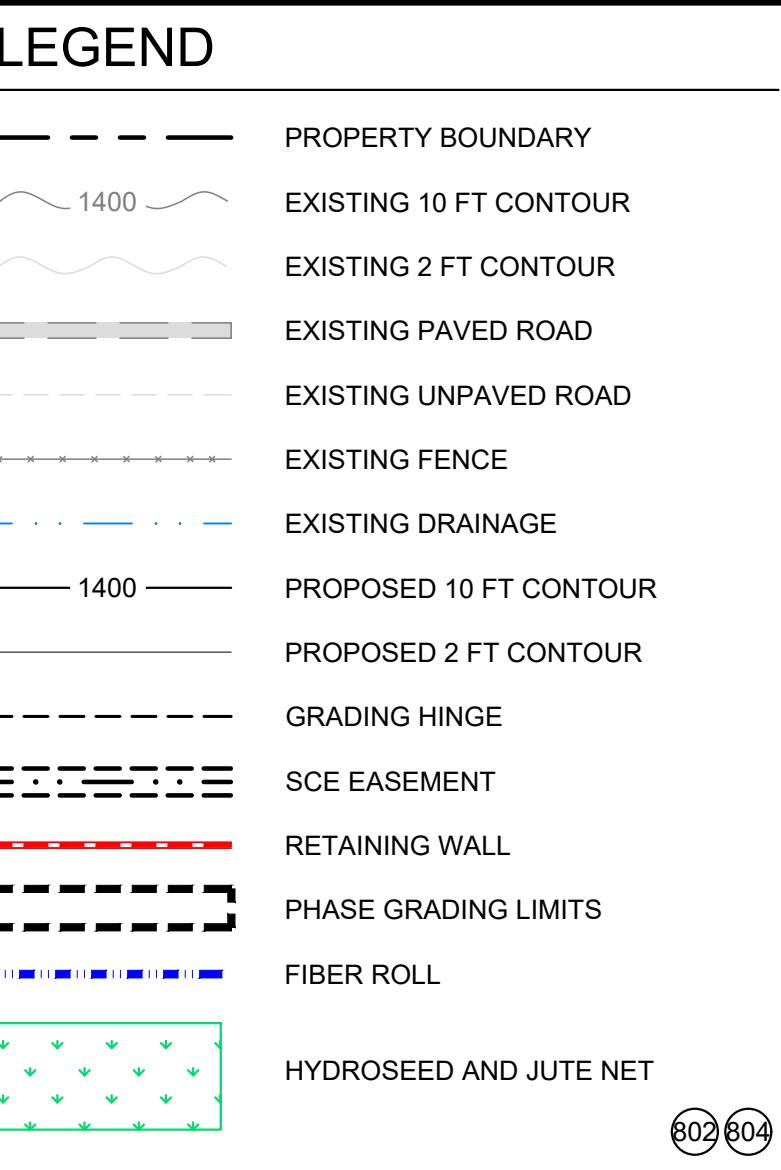
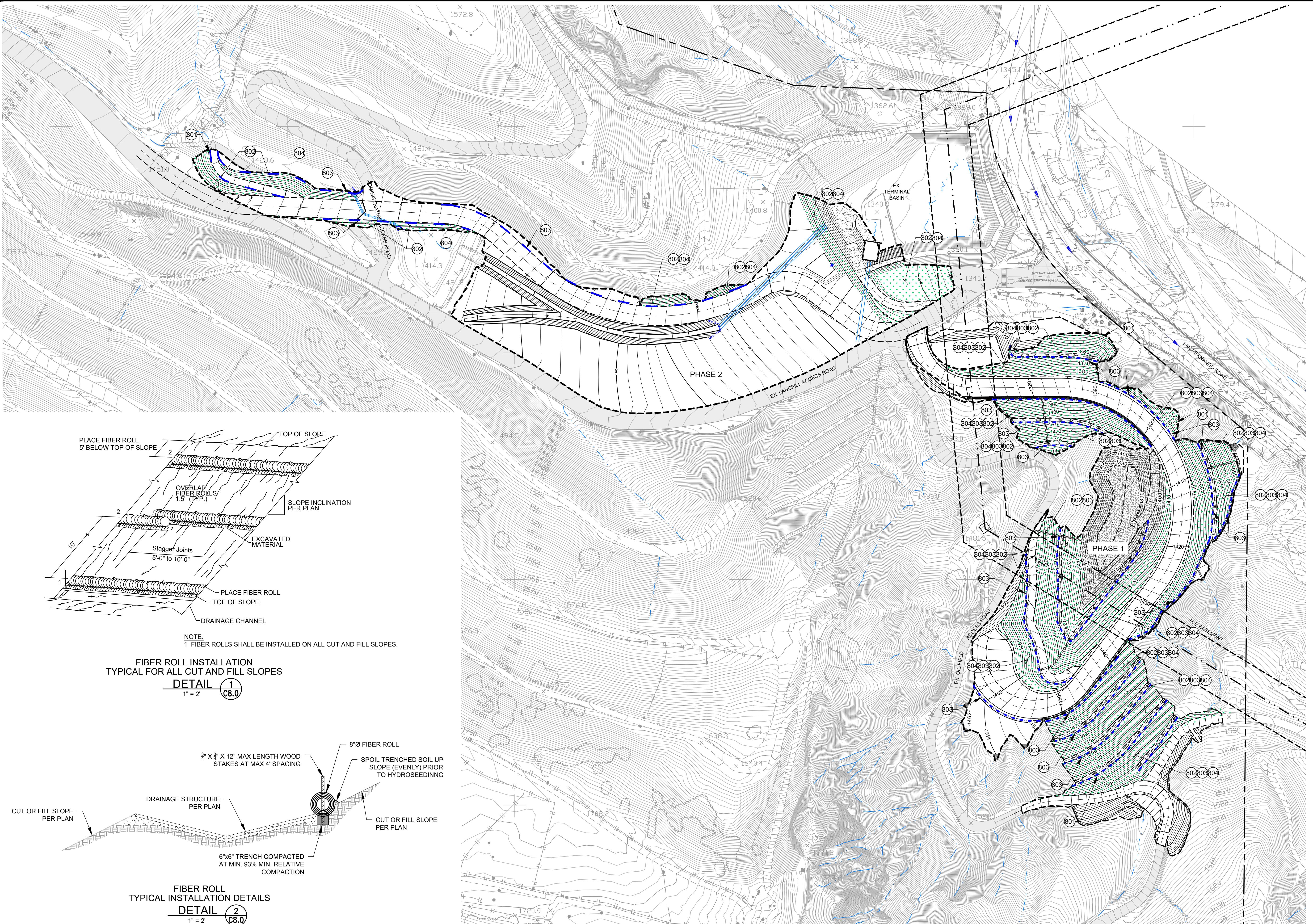
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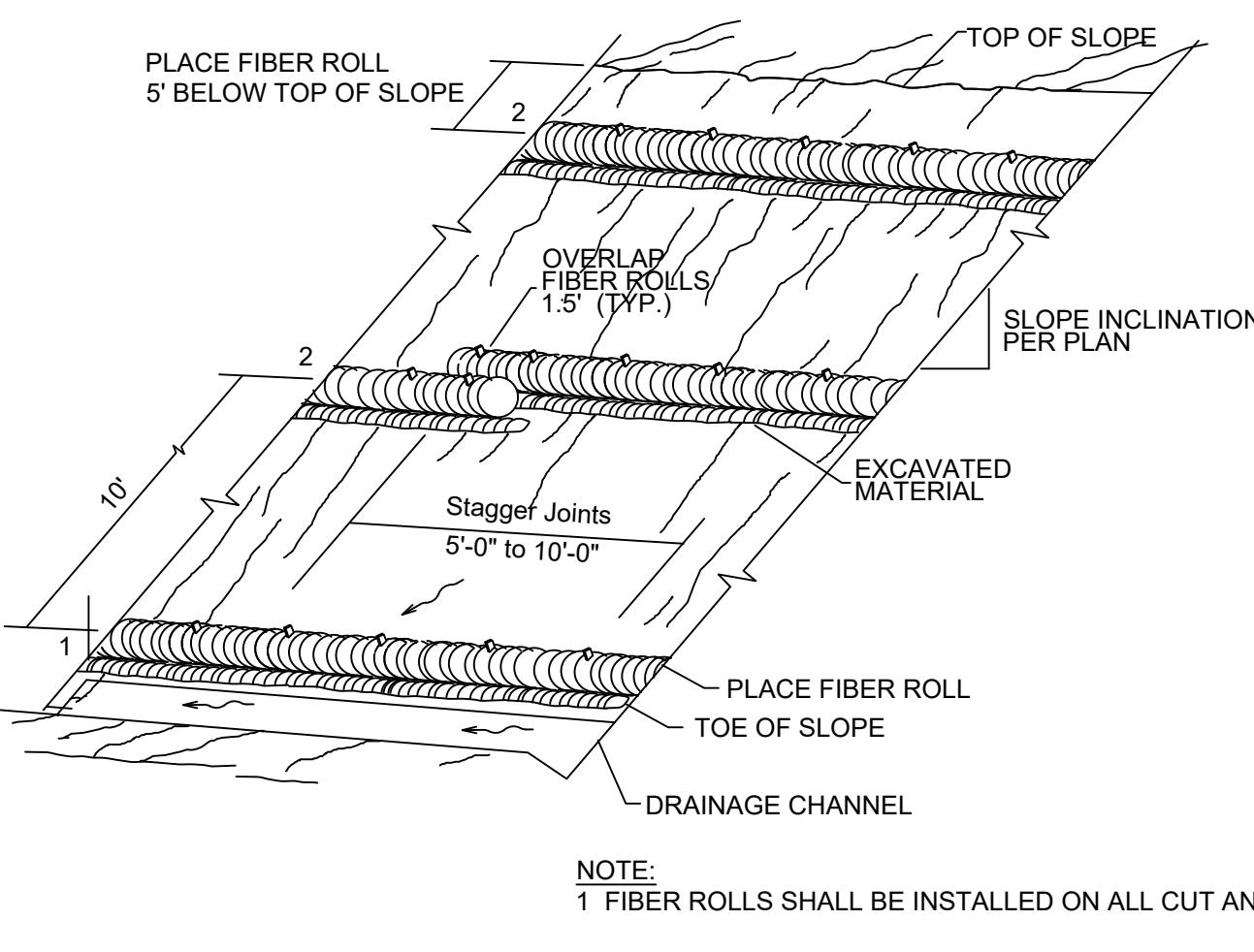
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### **ENTRANCE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT PHASES 1 AND 2 EROSION CONTROL MEASURES**



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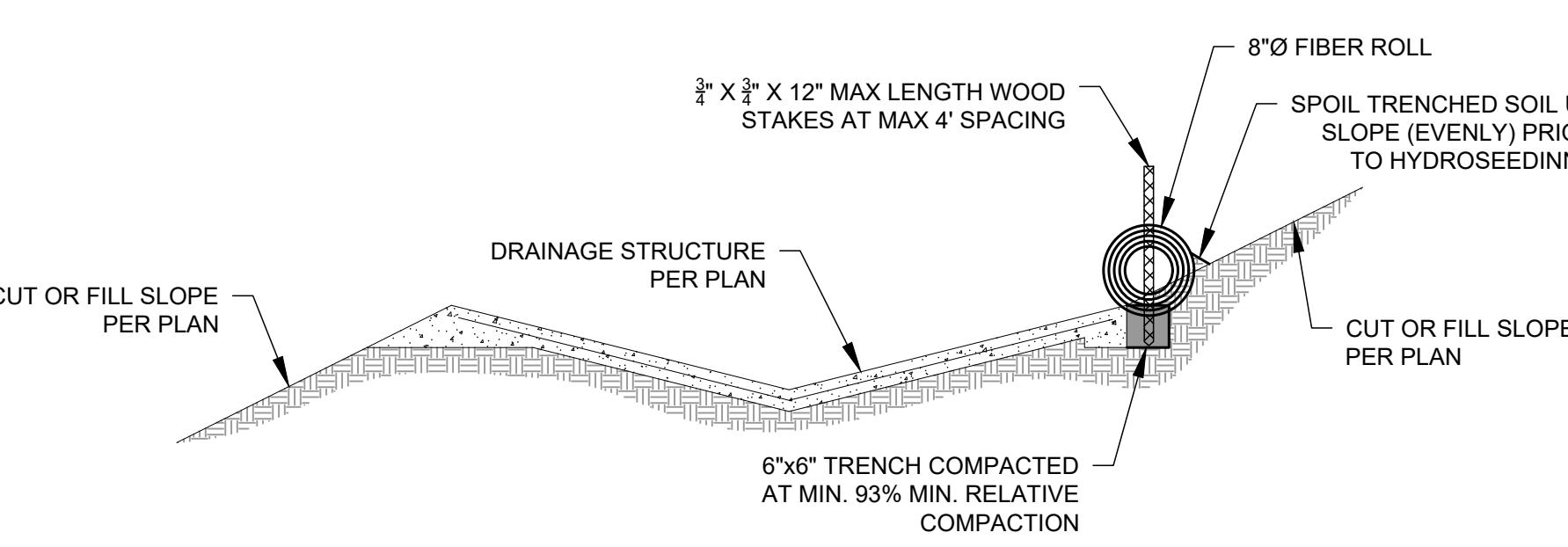
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NOTE:  
1 FIBER ROLLS SHALL BE INSTALLED ON ALL CUT AND FILL SLOPES.

FIBER ROLL INSTALLATION  
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FIBER ROLL  
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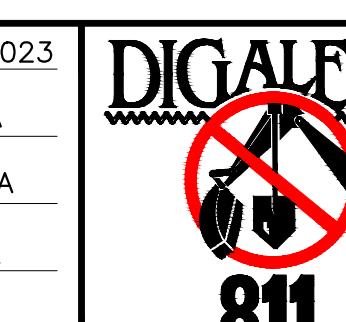
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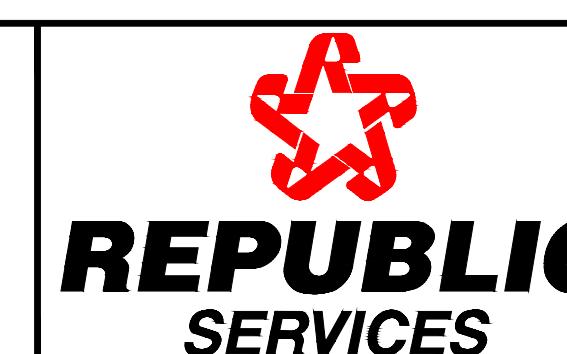
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## **ATTACHMENT 2**

### **ENTRANCE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTION PROJECT PHASE 3 EROSION CONTROL MEASURES**

