

TRIP REPORT OLD YORK ROAD EFRD SITE – INFILTRATION TESTING

1.0 PURPOSE

This Trip Report presents the field data and results of double-ring soil infiltration tests conducted to support the design of stormwater management systems at the Old York Road EFRD site located off Old York Road in Fairview Township, York County, Pennsylvania, as part of the Pennsylvania Pipeline Project (PPP) for Sunoco Pipeline, LP. Two shallow and two deep tests (IT-A and IT-B) were conducted at the site. The test locations are listed by coordinates (latitude and longitude) in Table 1 and shown on the attached figures.

2.0 FIELD ACTIVITIES

The infiltration tests were conducted by Mark Mengel and Kevin Schwab of Tetra Tech, Inc., on October 4, 2016. The test locations were positioned in the field using a handheld, WAAS-enabled GPS unit. Table 1 provides the coordinates of each of the test locations. All of the test locations were situated along a farm access road between a fence line and a cornfield on flat terrain on the east side of Old York Road.

The infiltration tests were performed in accordance with the procedure specified in the 2006 Pennsylvania Stormwater Best Management Practices (BMP) Manual. The test locations were prepared with the assistance of a mini-excavator, and care was taken to minimize disturbance of the soil surface to be tested. Double-ring infiltrometers were used for testing and consisted of 10-inch and 6-inch sections of steel casing, each 10 inches in height. After digging to the target depth, the test surface was leveled, and loose soil and debris were removed. The rings were driven a minimum of 2 inches into the soil. The infiltration test depths are presented in Table 1.

Test locations were pre-soaked for 1 hour. The tests were then conducted with measurements at 10-minute or 30-minute intervals, based on the observed water level drops during the last half of the pre-soak period. Pre-soak and test information was recorded on infiltration test data sheets; copies of the test data sheets are attached to this report.

A hand auger was utilized to characterize the soil, determine the depth to bedrock, if encountered, and inspect for evidence of seasonal high water table near the test area. This was completed from the ground surface down to two feet below the target infiltration test depth. The hand augered final depth (5-feet) for boring IT-A was not reached due to the landowner dispute with Sunoco representatives on site. Descriptions of the soil were documented on field logs, which were based on the form example in the BMP manual. Copies of the soil logs are attached to this report.

During the testing, the weather was sunny, approximately 65-70 degrees Fahrenheit, and no precipitation was observed in the area at the time of testing. Additionally, less than 0.5 inches of precipitation was observed 24 hours prior to testing.

3.0 RESULTS

3.1 SOILS DESCRIPTION

Soils encountered generally consisted of a thin (approximately 6 inches) brown (7.5YR 4/2) fill layer composed of a silt loam matrix with up to 90% small cobble sized angular limestone fragments associated with a close proximity logging road. Below this fill layer a more natural, brown to dark brown (7.5YR 4/3 to 7.5YR 3/2) topsoil layer was encountered with up to 15% of the limestone fragments from the previous layer near the transition. In addition to this topsoil layer IT-A showed two illuvial subsurface layers and one alluvial layer. The illuvial layers consisted of a sandy loam with 10-20% sub-angular to sub-rounded small to large pebble sized rock fragments. These two illuvial layers contained mottling which was lithochromatic in nature and trended from a brown (7.5YR 4/3) to a dark brown (7.5YR 3/4) in the first illuvial layer and from a brown (10YR 5/3) to a dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/6) in the deeper illuvial layer. The alluvial layer which began roughly 30 inches bgs contained medium to coarse grained sands with approximately 35% water worn small pebbles to small cobbles. Below the topsoil layer of IT-B the profile trended from a silt clay to a clay and finally a sandy clay with depth. Soil color ranged from a brown (7.5YR 4/4) to a strong brown (7.5YR 4/6). Rock content ranged from 10-15% of small pebble to small cobble sized degrading sandstones. Table 1 summarizes the depths of the infiltration tests.

Seasonal high water was not observed in any of the test pits, nor was any bedrock observed. Mottling was limited to the two illuvial layers.

According to United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey data, the soil type for the test location is mapped as follows and shown on attached figure:

- Watchung Silt Loam, (WbB soil symbol). 0-8 percent slopes, extremely bouldery with very high runoff and poorly drained.

3.2 INFILTRATION TEST RESULTS

Table 1 summarizes the infiltration rates (inches per hour) calculated from the test data. Infiltration rates presented in Table 1 were calculated from the average water level drop of the last four stabilized readings measured in the inner ring.

All four pre-soak tests exhibited a slow infiltration rate with the highest rate being 1.2 inches per hour, which caused a 30-minute test cycle. One hour into the infiltration test a landowner dispute caused an evacuation of the premises with one hour remaining in the test. All data is calculated from this first hour of testing.

Table 1
Summary of Infiltration Test Results
Old York Road
Fairview Township, York County, PA
Sunoco PPP


Test Location (IT-)	Location Data		Test Depth (inches)	Infiltration Test Result (inches/hour)
	Latitude	Longitude		
IT-A (Shallow)	40.1915827°	- 076.8407534°	3	0.60
IT-A (Deep)			36	0.06
IT-B (Shallow)	40.1916653°	- 076.8405763°	3	1.20
IT-B (Deep)			36	0.13

Note: Tests were suspended due to Landowner dispute with Sunoco

Figure 1

Infiltration Testing Locations
Old York Road Valve
Soil Type: Watchung Silt Loam (WdB)
York County, PA

Legend

 Infiltration Tests

WdB

IT-B

IT-A

1003

Google Earth

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100 ft



ATTACHMENTS

SOIL LOGS

Soil Log

Tested By: KAS Kevin Schwab

Project: old York Rd. Sumco ppp Project No.: 1121C06958

Test Pit: IT-A Date: 10/4/16

Elevation: _____ Equipment Used _____

Geology: possible T-2 terrace Soil Type: _____
roughly 150-200 ft SE from stream roughly 1.5m above stream

Land Use: next to old logging road Weather: cloudy
beside ag field

Additional Comments _____

Horizon	Upper Boundary	Lower Boundary	Soil Textural Class	Type, Size, Coarse Fragments, etc.	Soil Color	Color Patterns	Pores, Roots, Rock Structure	Depth to Bedrock	Depth to Water	Comments
fill	0"	6"	silt loam matrix	fine granular matrix	7.5YR 4/2	even	90% small cobble sized limestone frags			
A	6"	11 3/4"	silt loam	fine granular	7.5YR 3/2	even	5% limestone frame bloom unit			
B	11 3/4"	21 1/2"	sandy silt loam	fine-med weath subangular blocky	7.5YR 4/3 7.5YR 3/4	60% mott 40%	10% small subrounded pebbles			
BC	21 1/2"	30 1/2"	sandy loam	fine-med weath subangular subrounded	10YR 5/3 10YR 4/6	90% mott 10%	20% small to large pebbles			
C	30 1/2"		sands (med-coarse)	fine-med subrounded	10YR 5/3	even	35% small pebbles to small cobbles (degrading)			channel lag

Horizon:	USDA Definition	Soil Textural Class	Boundary	Notes:
O	Organic debris	US Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service	Use depth and classification	Final depth not reached due to land owner complaints. Land agent asked us to pack up equipment.
A	Dark colored, mixed mineral organic matter		Classification as Follows:	
B	Maximum accumulation of silicate clay minerals		Abrupt	
C	Weathered parent material		Clear	C horizon at base of unit contained water worn small pebbles to small cobbles in medium to coarse grained sands
R	Layer of consolidated rock beneath the soil		Gradual	
			Diffuse	



Soil Log

Tested By: KAS Kevin Schrab

Project: Old York Rd Sunoco PPP

Project No.: 1121C 05958

Test Pit: IT-B

Date: 10/4/16

Elevation: _____

Equipment
Used: _____

Geology: _____

Soil Type: _____

Land Use: next to old logging
road beside ag field

Weather: cloudy

Additional Comments

Horizon	Upper Boundary	Lower Boundary	Soil Textural Class	Type, Size, Coarse Fragments, etc.	Soil Color	Color Patterns	Pores, Roots, Rock Structure	Depth to Bedrock	Depth to Water	Comments
fill	0"	4"	silt loam matrix	fine granular matrix	7.5YR 5/2	even	85% small cobble sized limestone frags			
A	4"	14"	silt loam	fine granular	7.5YR 4/3		15% small cobble sized limestone from road			
B	14"	29½"	silt clay	fine to med sub angular (strong) to angular (med)	7.5YR 4/4		10% degrading sandstones & claystones			
Ba	29½"	47"	clay	fine to med weak sub angular to sub rounded	7.5YR 4/6		SAA			
Bc	47"	59"	sandy clay	fine to med weak sub angular to sub rounded	5YR 4/4		15% med-highly weathered sandstones/claystones			

Horizon:	USDA Definition	Soil Textural Class	Boundary	Notes:
O	Organic debris	Use ternary diagram from	Use depth and classification	limestone cobbles from logging road not natural to area
A	Dark colored, mixed mineral organic matter	US Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Service	Classification as Follows:	
B	Maximum accumulation of silicate clay minerals		Abrupt	
C	Weathered parent material		Clear	
R	Layer of consolidated rock beneath the soil		Gradual	
			Diffuse	

Table based on: Sample soil log located on page 12 of the Pennsylvania Stormwater Best Management Practices Manual
USDA Definitions located from: http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/soils/edu/?cid=nrcs142p2_054308

INFILTRATION TEST DATA SHEETS



PROJECT NAME: Old York Rd. Sunoco TEST AREA ID: IT-A shallow closest to road
PROJECT NUMBER: 12 IC 05958 PERSONNEL: KAS. MM Kevin Schwab

TEST METHOD: Double Ring Infiltrometer Percolation
Single Ring Infiltrometer

Location Coordinates or Description:

INNER RING INSIDE
DIAMETER/HEIGHT: 6/10
OUTER RING INSIDE
DIAMETER/HEIGHT: 10/10

40. 1915827
-076. 8407534

PERCOLATION HOLE DIAMETER: **NA** (If performing an open hole perc test)

DATE(s): 10/4/16

Rainfall within last 24 hrs $< 0.5"$

Distance from the bottom of the inner ring/hole to measuring point (minimum water column of 6-8 inches):

8

MEASURING POINT:	Ring Rider	Indicator Mark
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DEPTH OF TEST: **3ⁿ**

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