



## Technical Presentation – Site Specific Pile Design to Australian Standards

AS2159 2009 – AS2870 2011 – AS4100 1998 – AS1163 2009 – AS1170.0 2002 – AS1170.1 2002



# 1.

## Blade Pile

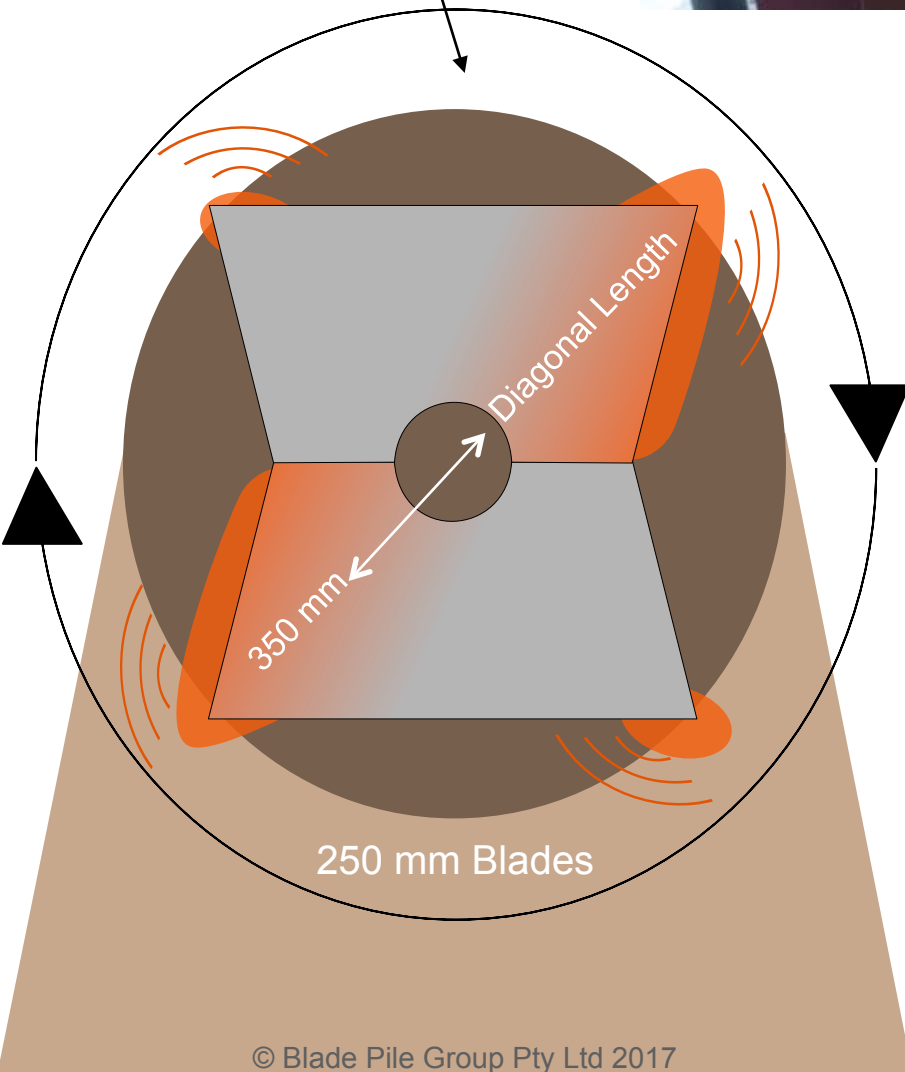


A superior 'screw in pile' or an alternative to concrete piers, driven piles or grout piles.

- Rapid & precise installation.
- Measures soil strength during installation.
- Superior capacity, when compared to bored piers or screw piles.
- Fully compliant to all Australian standards, AS2159-2009 & AS2870-2011.
- **Removable, reusable or recyclable. No site/environmental damage after design life.**

# Blades vs. Helix Testing

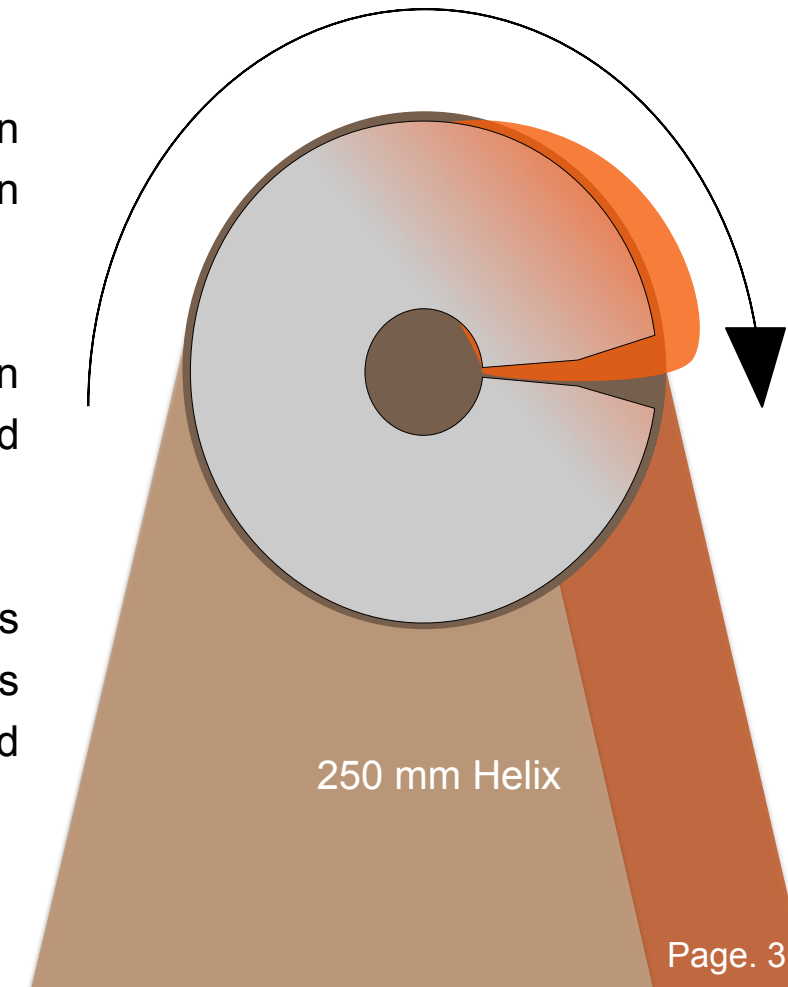
4 x Cutting point creates 'active pulse' to vibrate pile head through hard materials and cobbles.



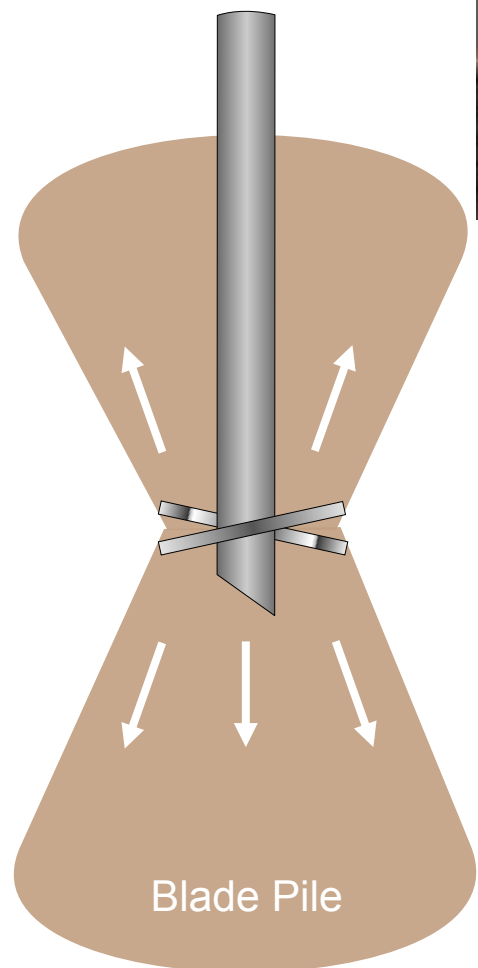
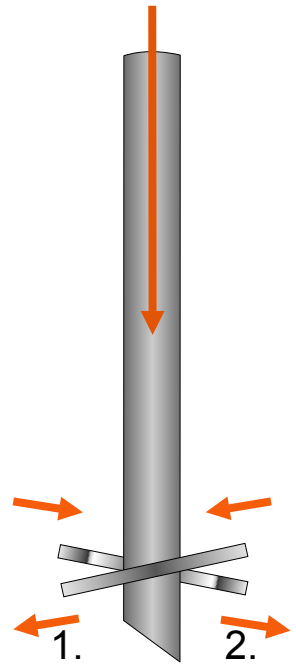
Blade Piles provide a significant increase in bearing plate area, when compared to an equivalent size screw pile helix.

The larger Blades radiate out and into an enlarged pressure wave for improved load capacity.

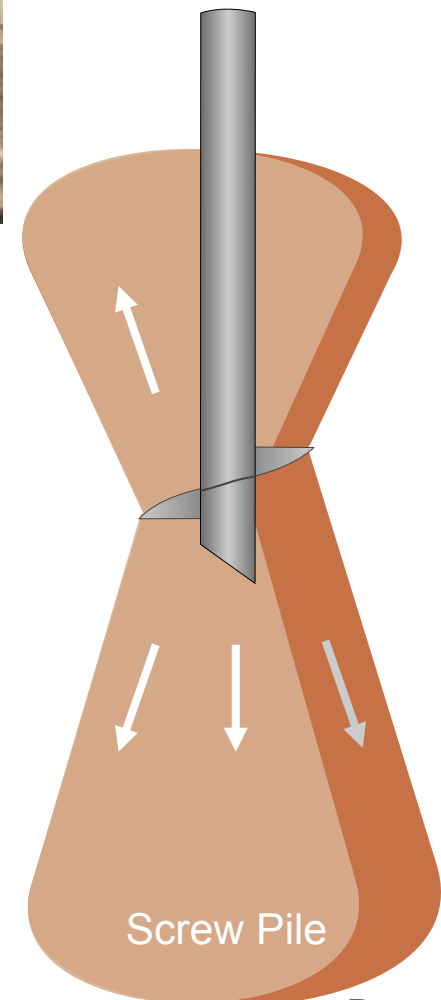
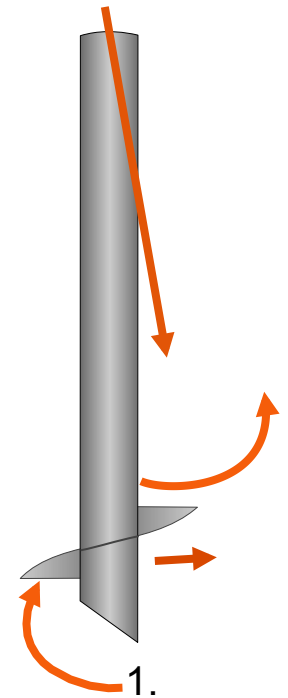
Testing confirms the Twin Blade design has less soil 'bulking out' during installation, for less geotechnical disturbance and improved load bearing capacity.



# Blades vs. Helix



Moree Solar Farm - Solar Blade Piles – Verticality & positioning unattainable with screw piles



Screw piles have one leading edge with a curved pitched helix that augers the soil during install. The single leading edge induces out of round forces.

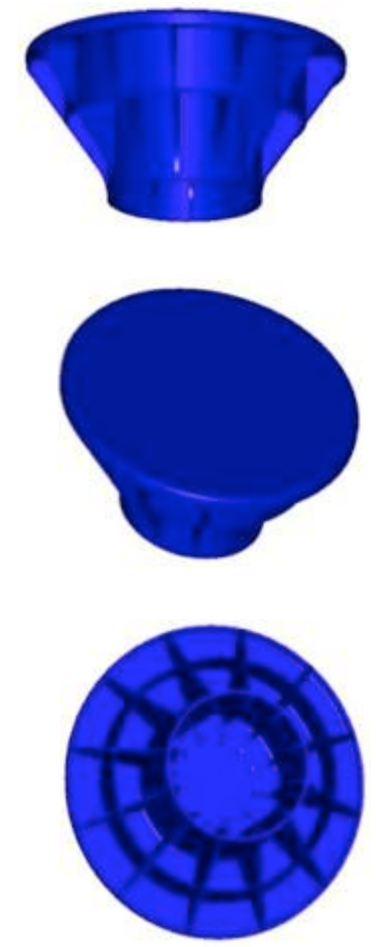
With soil settlement over time, the bearing capacity will slowly 'grow' back into place around the helix area (shaded Orange in diagram).

Twin Blade Piles counter balance each other for improved verticality. The Blades 'sliver' into the soil with less disturbance for improved 'end bearing' load capacity.

Blade Piles are manufactured from true 350 Grade seamless steel tube (Average Yield Strength 450 Mpa) for a higher torsional install capacity.

Blade Piles provide a level verticality & positioning for finite tolerance structures, that is simply unattainable with screw piles.

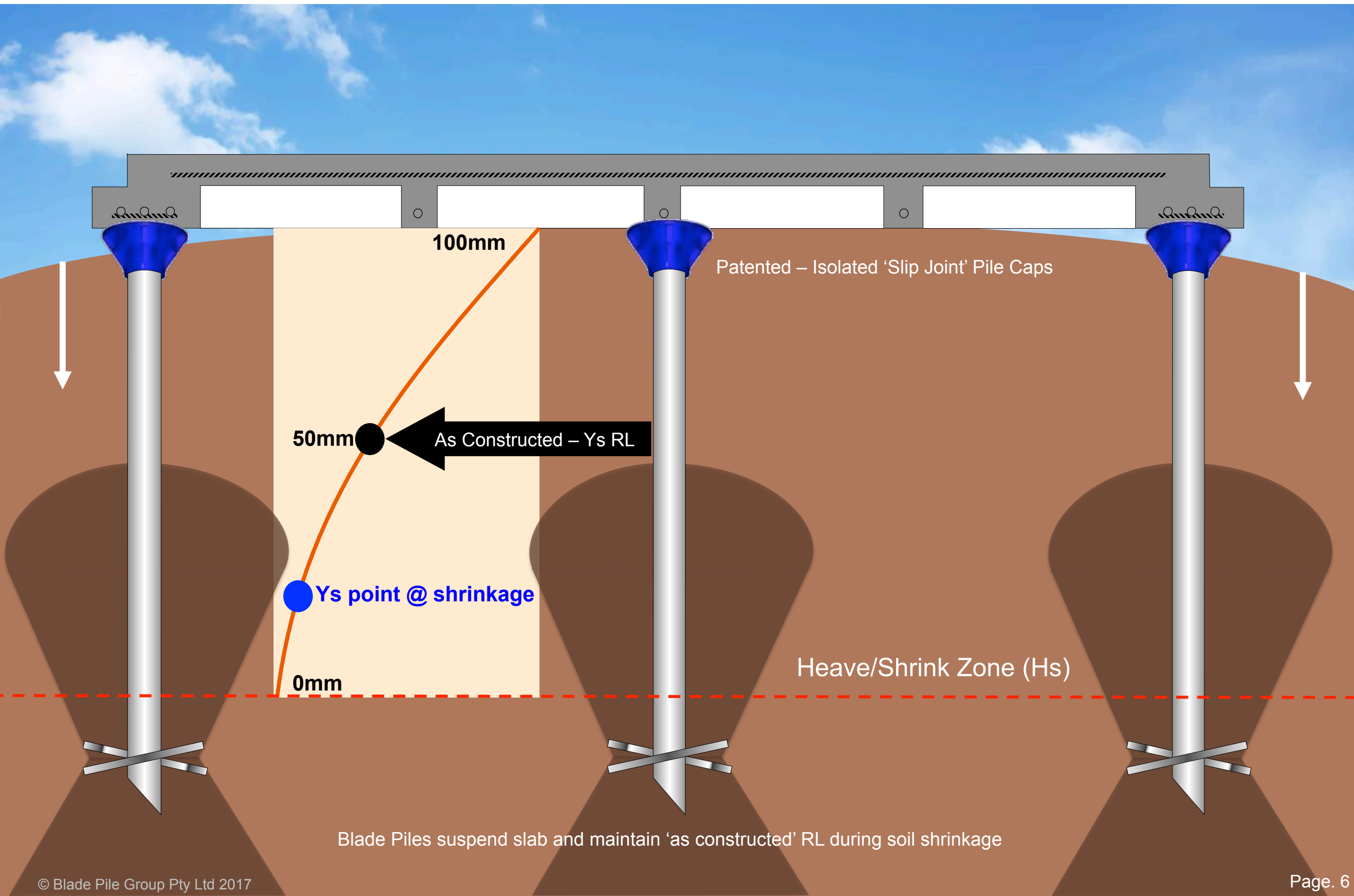
# Patented - Slip Joint Pile Cap



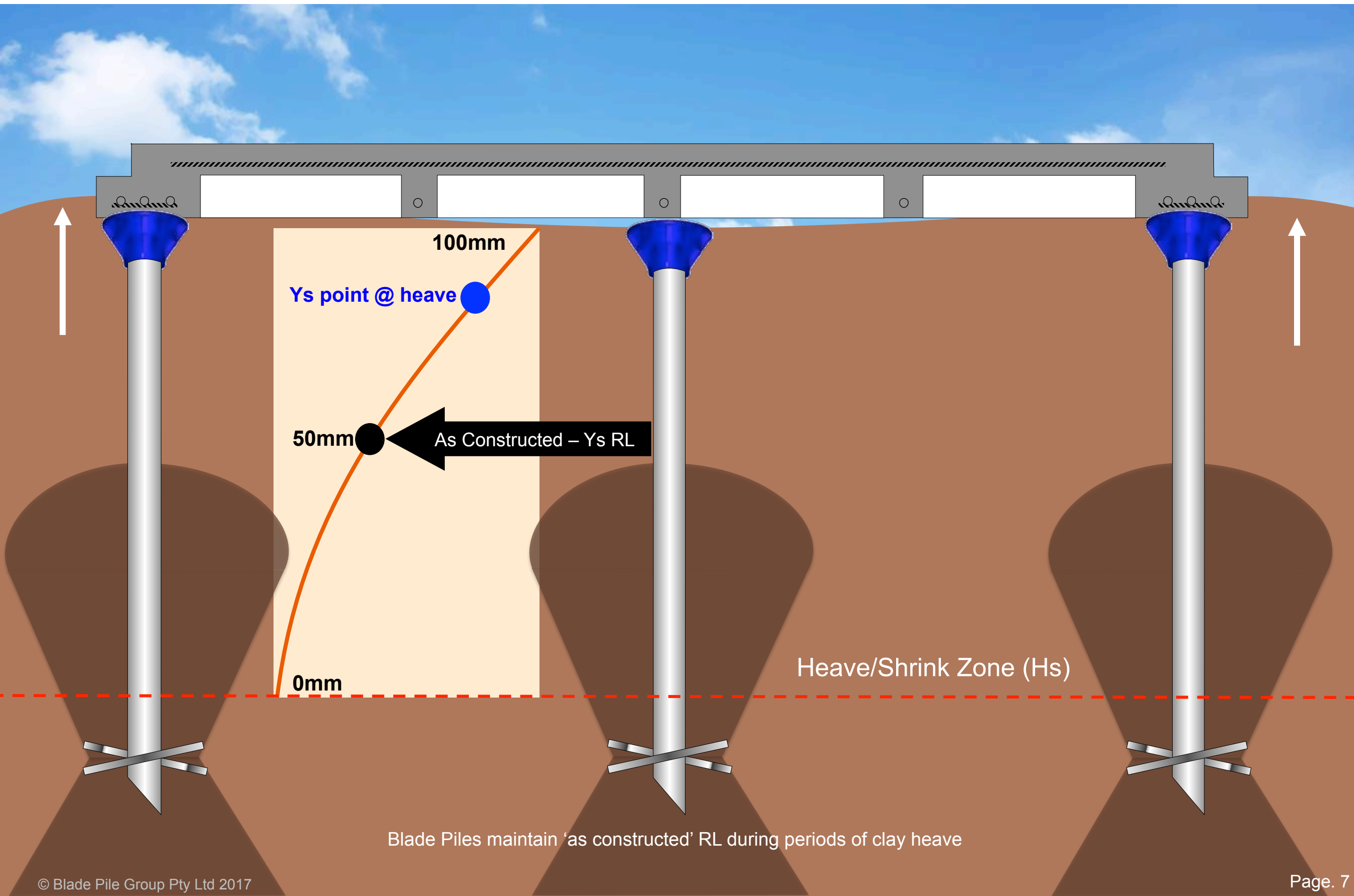
When combining with the Slip Joint Pile Cap & Blade pile with a raft slab design, the 'Pile Cap Slab System' is created.

The Blade Pile & Slip Joint Cap is deemed to comply as an isolated 'Bored Pier' substitute, maintaining AS2870 compliance.

**Pile Cap Slab System, Shrinking Clay** – Raft Slab, Blade Piles & Slip Joint Pile Cap

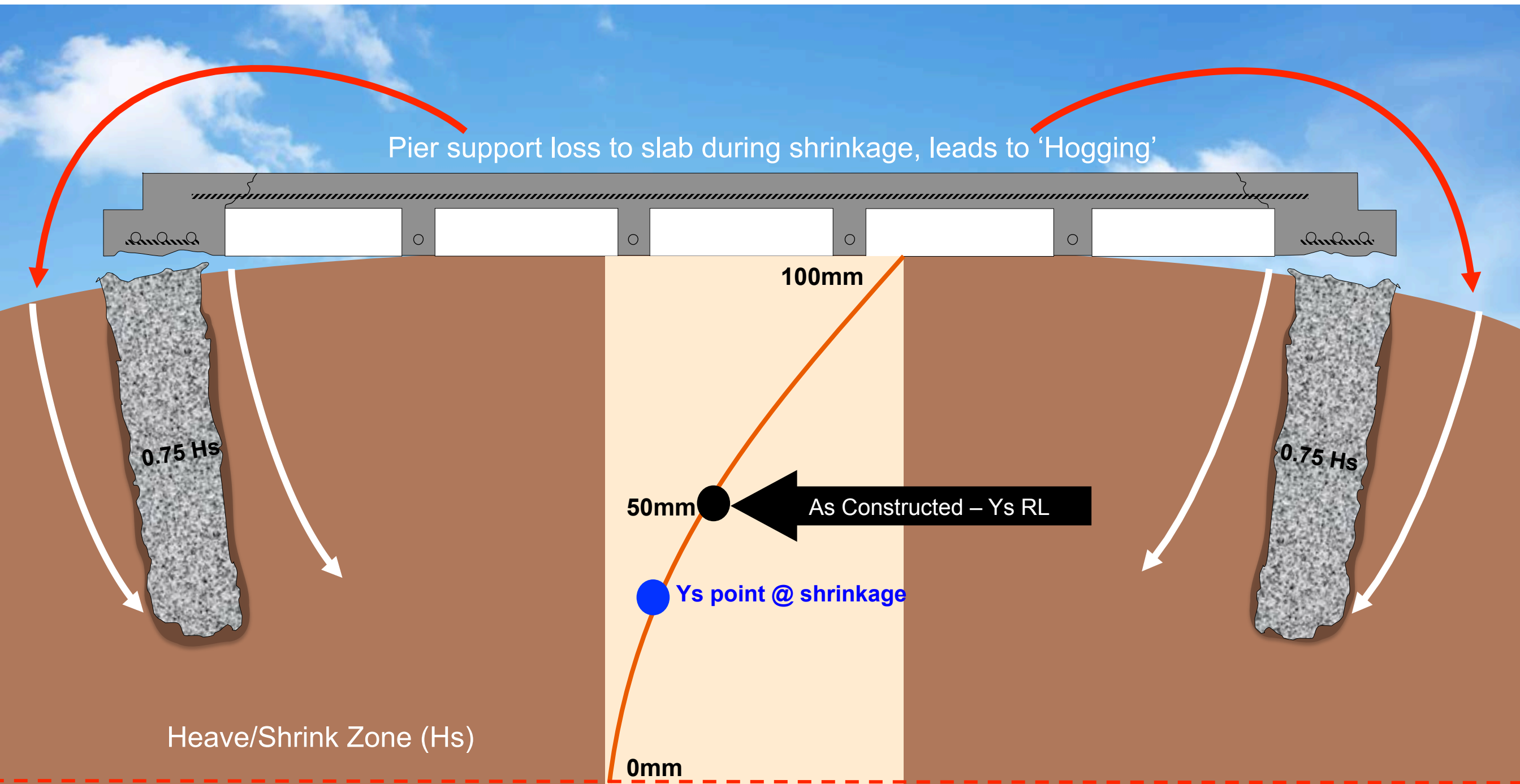


**Pile Cap Slab System, Heaving Clay** – Raft Slab, Blade Piles & Slip Joint Pile Cap



Blade Piles maintain 'as constructed' RL during periods of clay heave

**'0.75 Hs' Bored Piers in Shrinking Clay Soil** – 'In Friction' Sucked Down & Rotated Outward by Clay

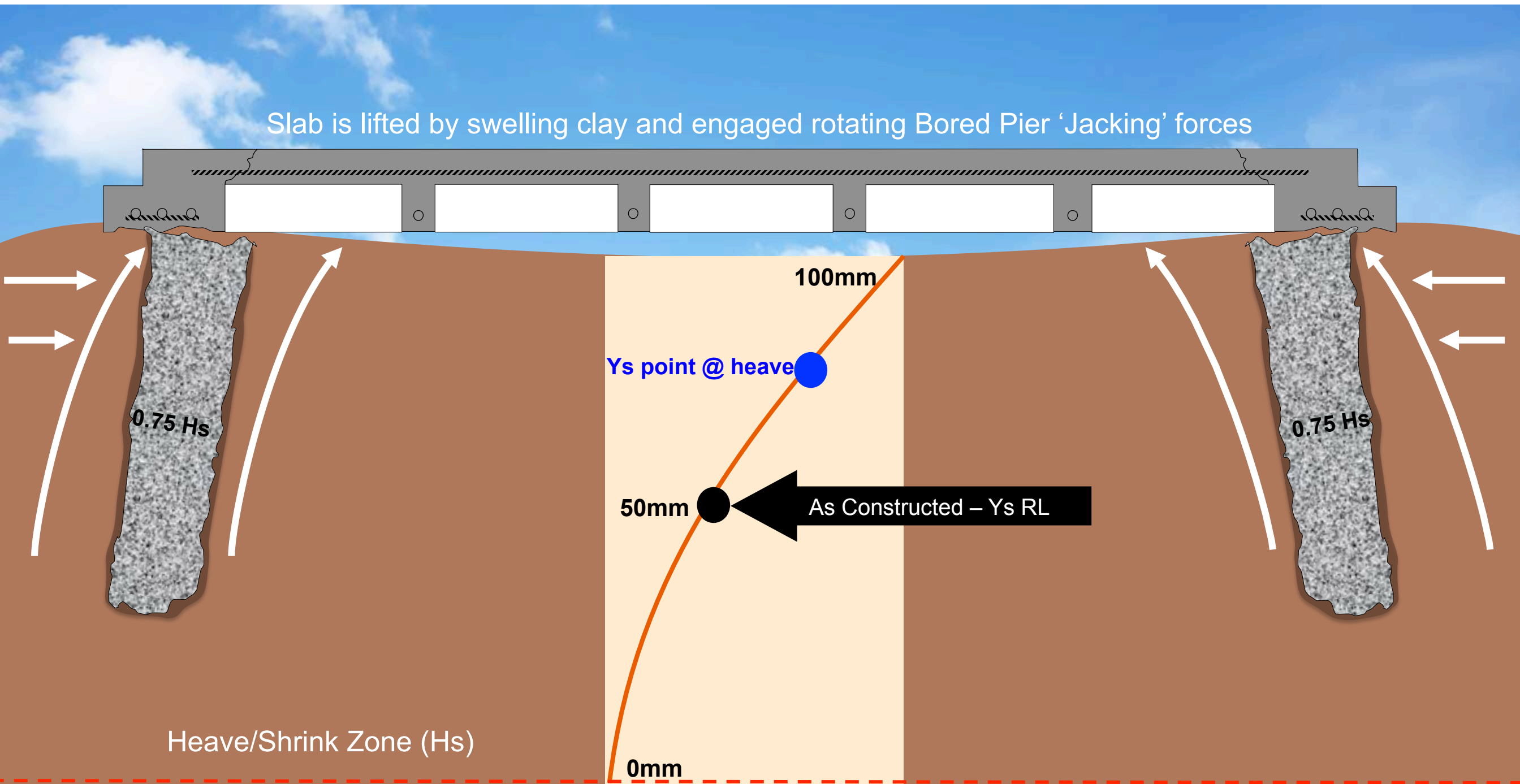


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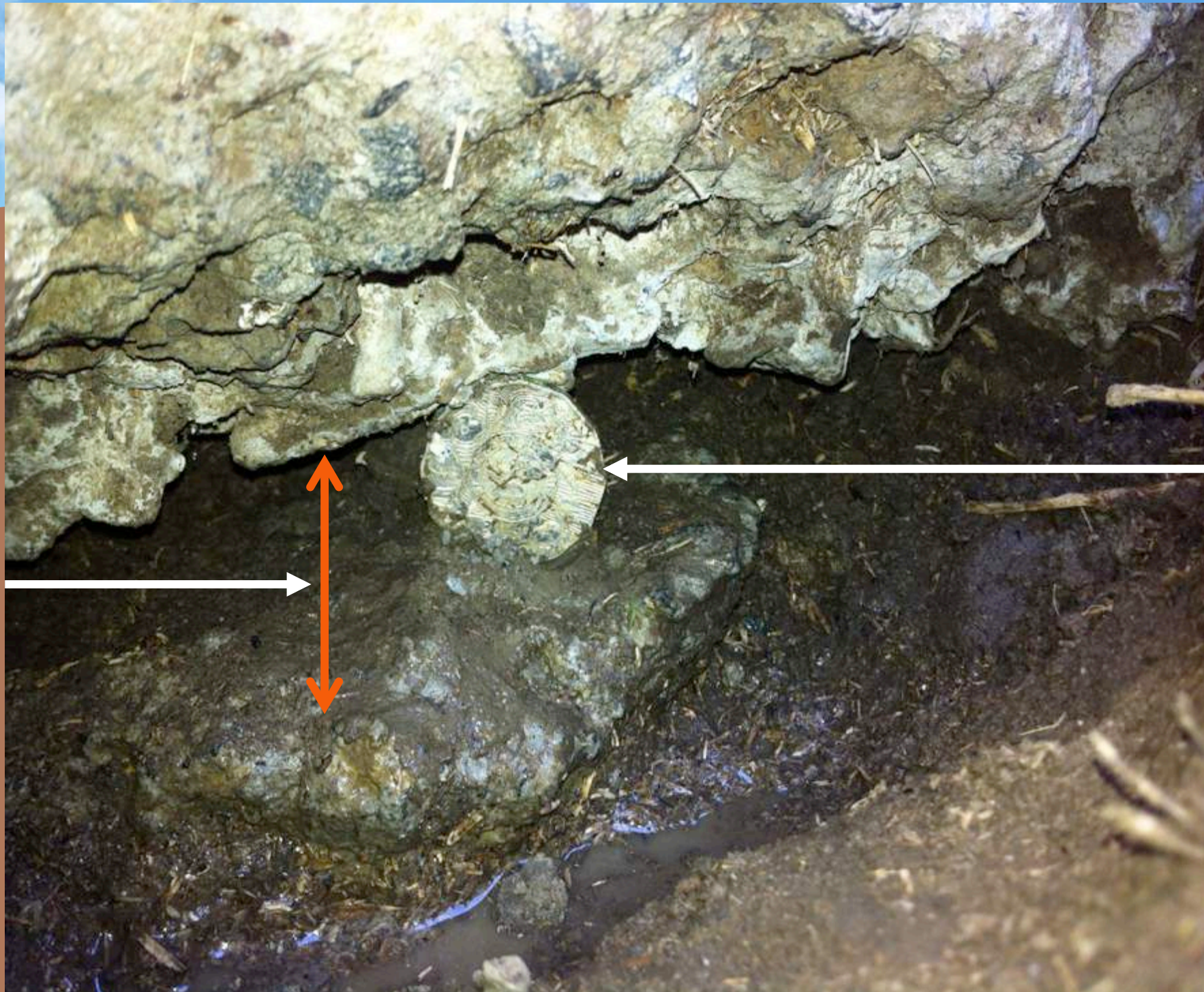
**'0.75 Hs' Bored Piers in Heaving Clay Soil** – 'In Friction' Pushed Up & Rotated Inward by Clay



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# Bored Pier Failure in Shrinking Clay Soil – Single Level Dwelling, Booval, Ipswich QLD, 2014



Significant separation between bored pier & raft slab & slab settlement from shrinkage.

Separation was visible around entire property.

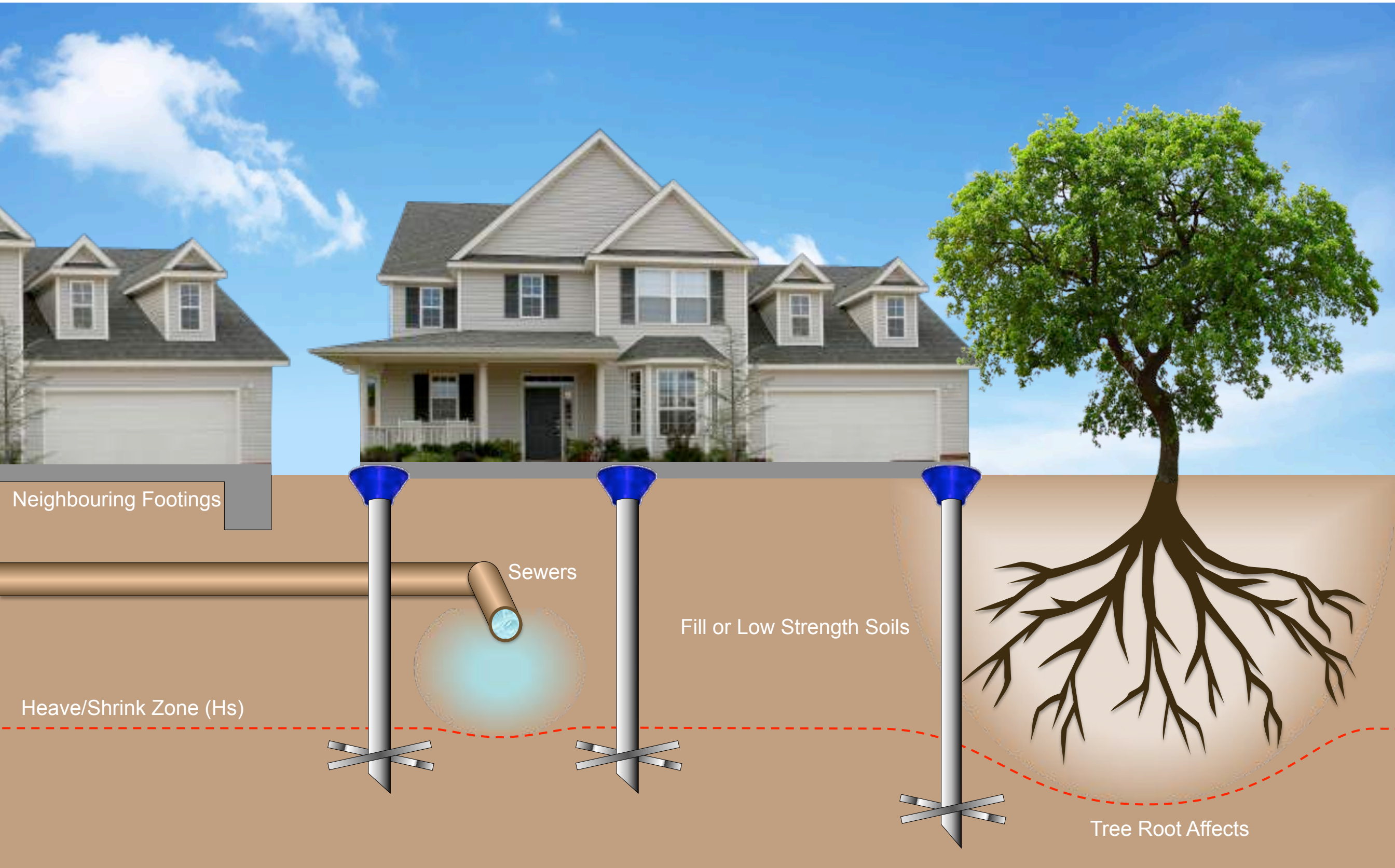
Top of the Bored Pier visibly 'leaning out' from the underside of slab.

50 Cent Coin placed between bored pier & underside of slab beam.

Hand excavation & flushing exposes top of Bored Pier.

Pier support loss during shrinkage leads to 'Hogging', confirmed by internal inspection of dwelling

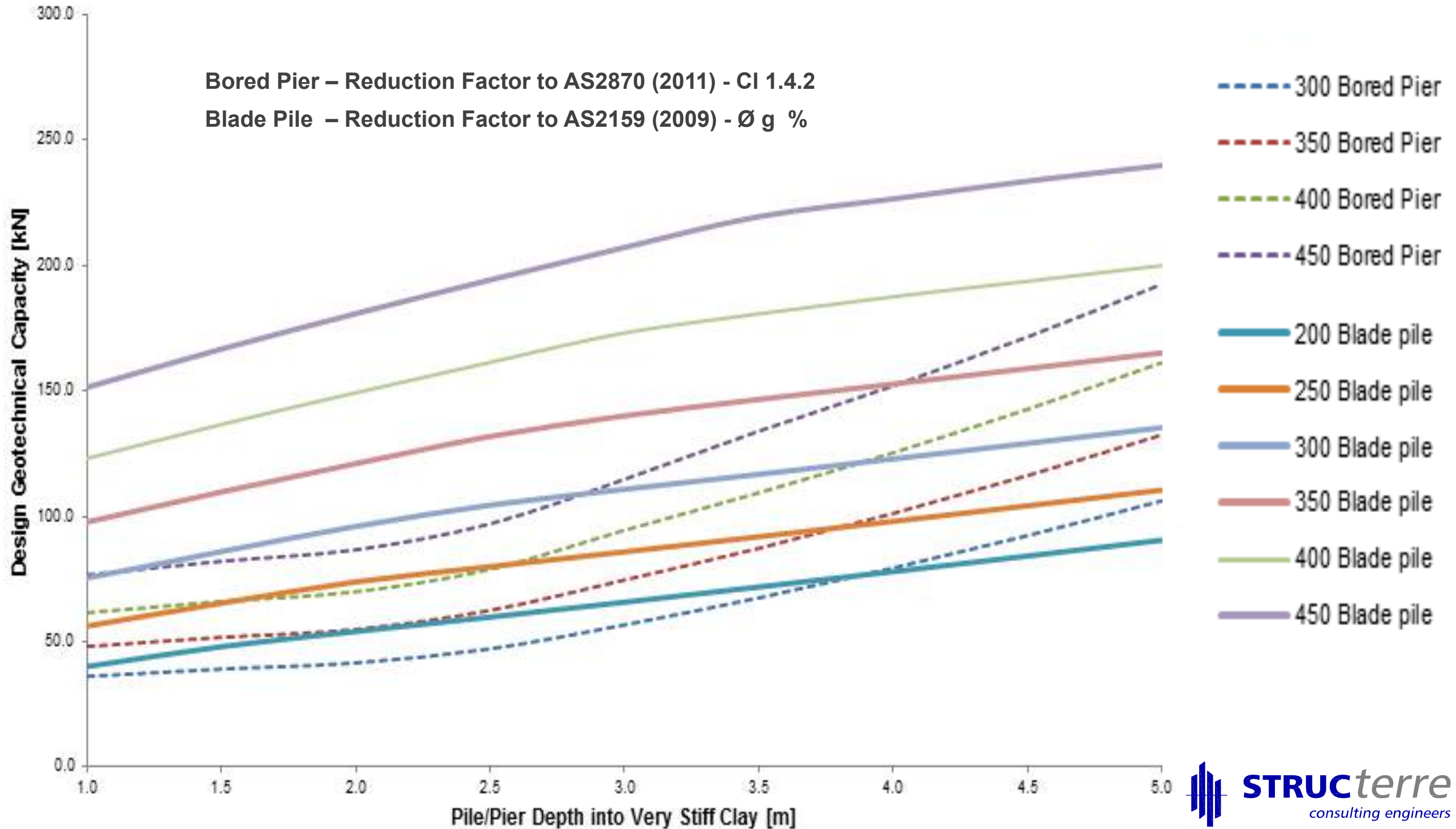
# Blade Pile & Pile Cap – A solution for all types of problem sites



**Bored Pier vs. Blade Pile & Pile Cap** – Blade Piles offer a superior Alternative to Concrete

**Bored Pier vs Blade Pile in Homogeneous Very Stiff Clay (Hs = 3.0m and Cu = 200kPa)**

**Bored Pier – Reduction Factor to AS2870 (2011) - CI 1.4.2**  
**Blade Pile – Reduction Factor to AS2159 (2009) - Ø g %**



# 2.

## The Bracing Pile



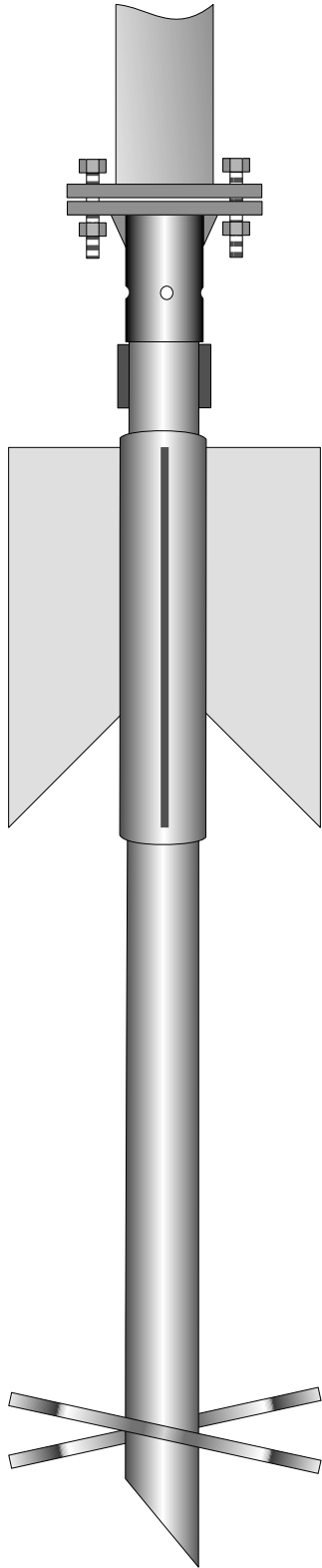
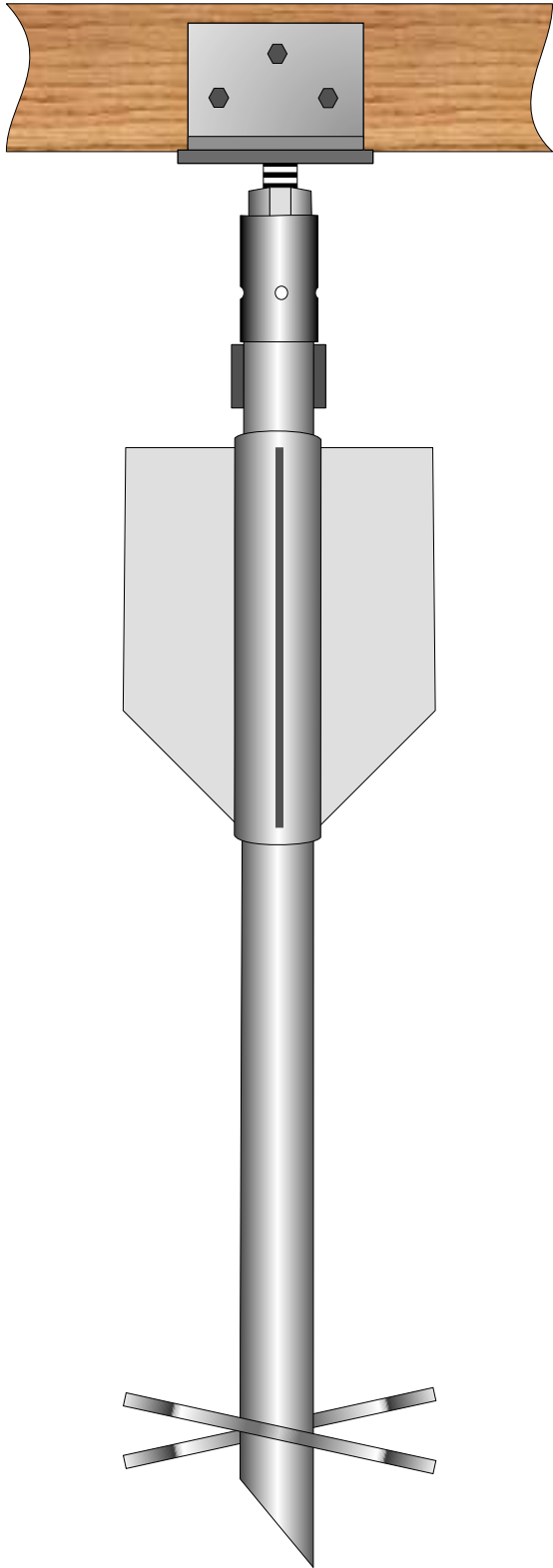
The Bracing Pile is used to support lateral loads. The pile and unique bracing 'Wing Assembly' are embedded into the ground, providing support for all types of above ground loads.

The Bracing Pile generates high levels of lateral load capacity to obtain the optimum structure to pile, to soil interface.

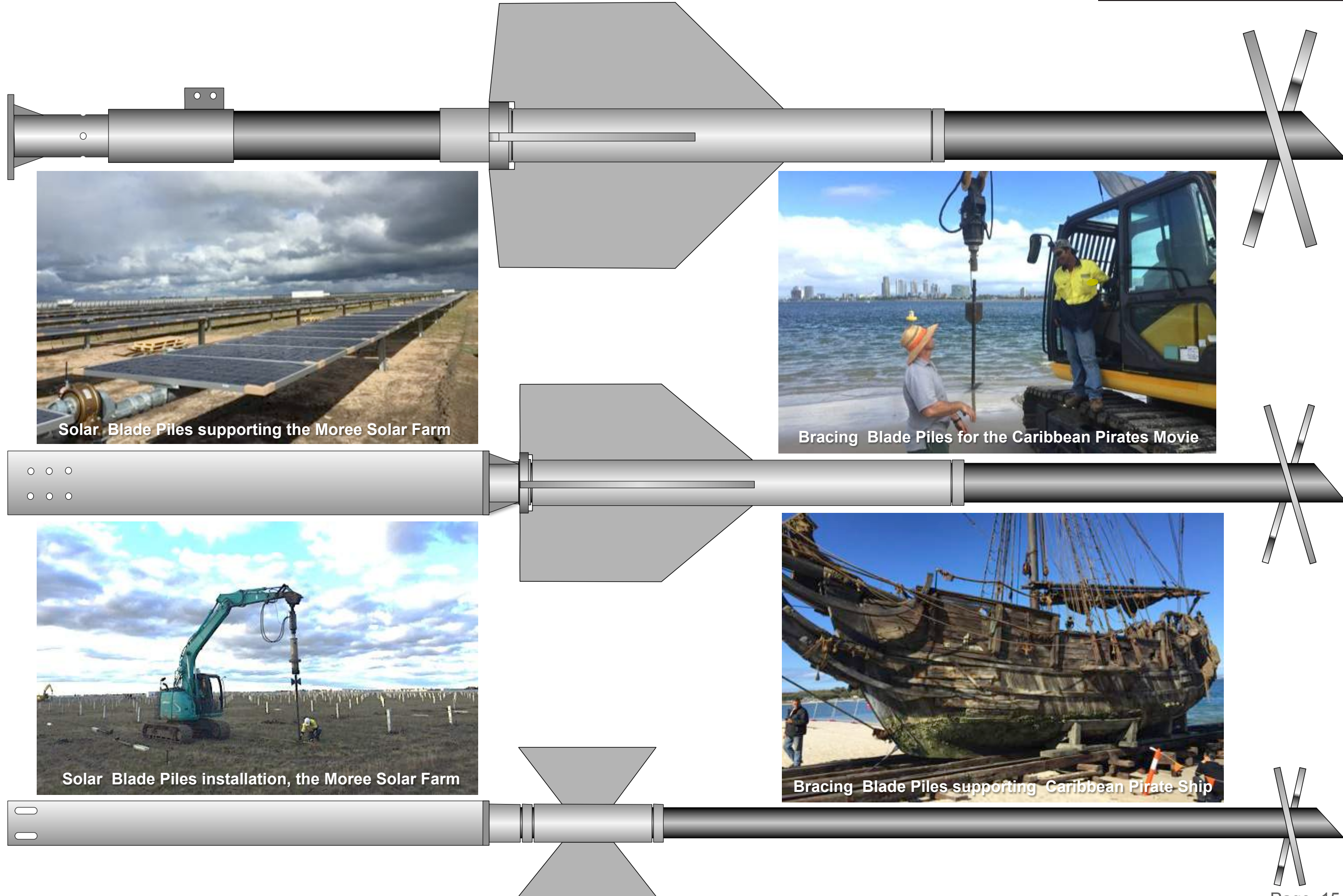
The Bracing Piles can include any type of fixed, fused or adjustable top support system to facilitate easy on site installation, using less time and resources than traditional methods.

- Flexible top plate designs allow shim or thread lock adjustment after installation.
- Can also incorporate cable slots for electrical power supply.
- **Removable, reusable or recyclable. No site/environmental damage after design life.**

# Lateral Load Piling – Certified, Fast, Adjustable & Cost Efficient



**World Leading Technology** – A Geodynamic Design for Every Need



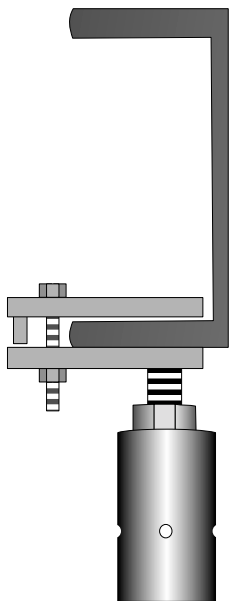
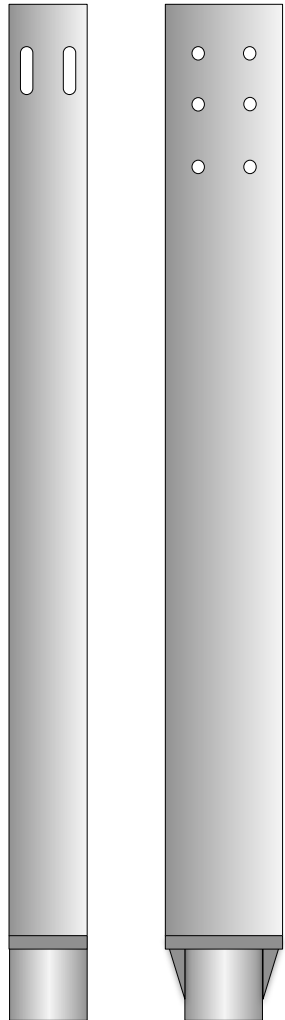
Solar Blade Piles supporting the Moree Solar Farm

Bracing Blade Piles for the Caribbean Pirates Movie

Solar Blade Piles installation, the Moree Solar Farm

Bracing Blade Piles supporting Caribbean Pirate Ship

**Pile Connection Innovation** – A Solution Designed & Fabricated for All Needs





# 3.

## Pile Performance



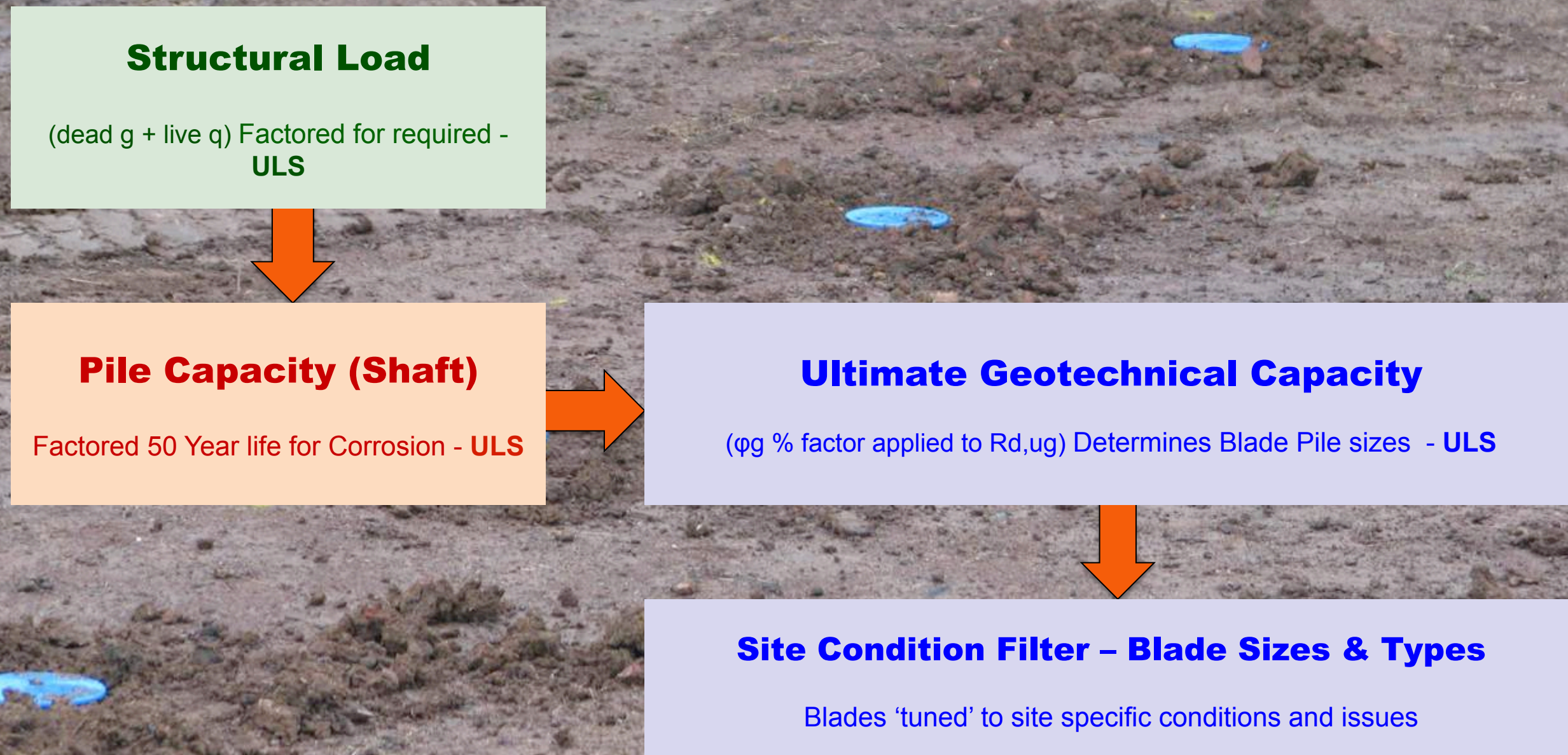
Blade Piles being installed into the Brisbane River, for the Kingsford Smith Drive freeway widening, for the City to Airport Link



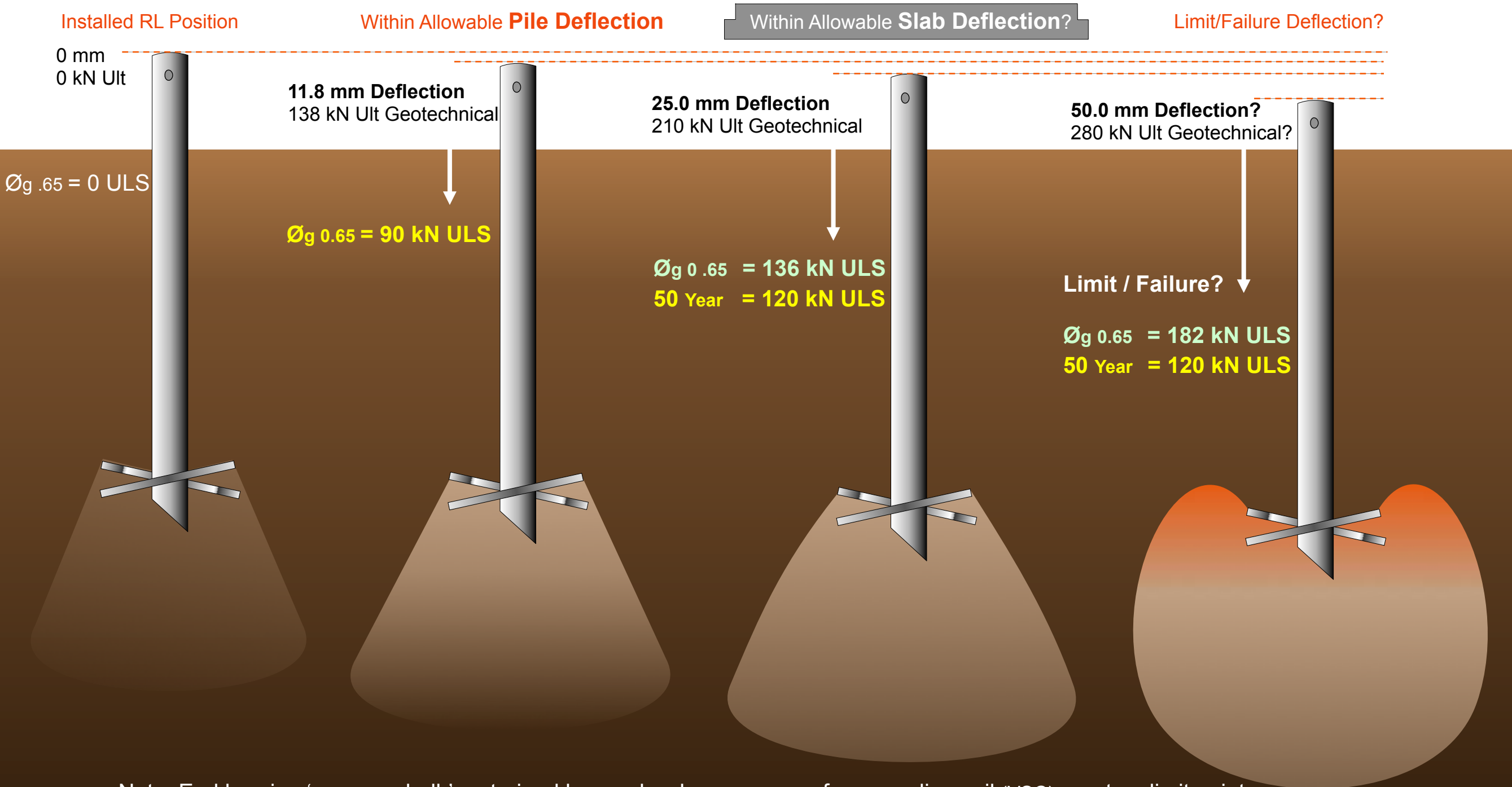
## Moree Solar Farm (MSF) – NSW

- Australia's largest ever 'screw in' steel piling contract
- **32,000** Solar Blade Piles supplied & installed on time & on budget
- Made possible by the patented Solar Blade Pile from Blade Pile Group
- **Added 25 Years to SF life, removable, reusable or recyclable. No site/environmental damage after design life.**

**Blade Pile Analysis** – Ensures ULS is met, with optimum design for site conditions



# Pile Testing For Deflections – Optimising end bearing ‘pressure bulb’



Note: End bearing ‘pressure bulb’ restrained by overburden pressure of surrounding soil (VSC)..... to a limit point

Øg allowed solely from ‘on site’ AS2159 static load pile testing - 1.0% = 0.55, 2.0% = 0.65, 3.0% = 0.71, 4.0% = 0.76 (% of total piles).

# 4.

## Design Data



- The current level of residential Geotechnical investigations (AS2870) is inadequate for AS2159. Bore logs need to find natural material and properly verify a soil strength.
- Accurate (SLS or ULS) specified pile loads are essential, for pile design calculations.
- Generalised load specifications simply forces Blade Pile to over-design with larger, deeper piles, therefore wasting critical resources and costs.

Geotech Reporting Issue – Low Cost AS2870 Geotech reporting is high risk & high cost

**PENETROMETER (D.C.P)**

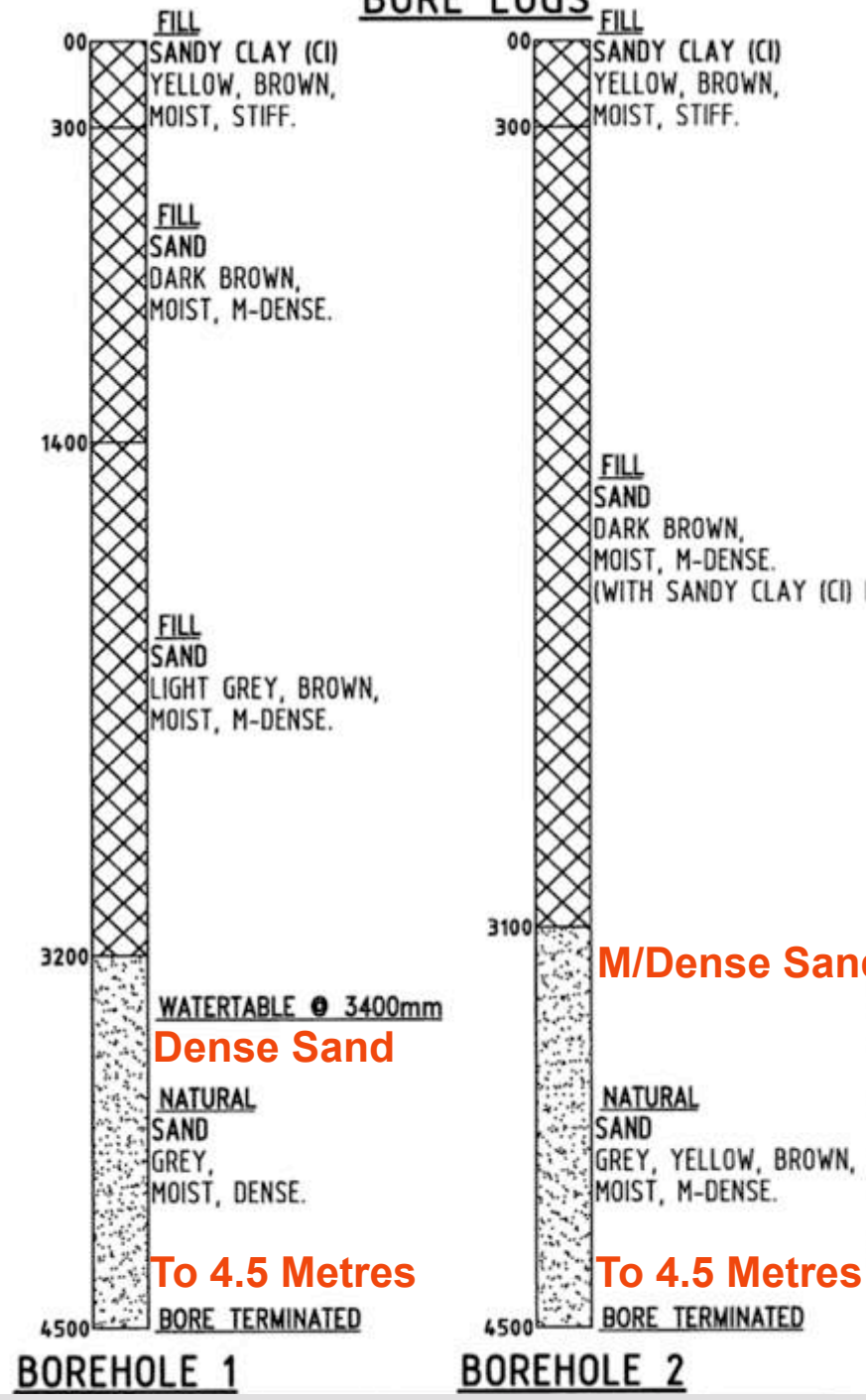
No. OF BLOWS	HOLE 1	HOLE 2
00 - 200		6
200 - 400		8
400 - 600		7
600 - 800		9
800 - 1000		8
1000 - 1200		8
1200 - 1400		
1400 - 1600		
1600 - 1800		
1800 - 2000		
2000 - 2200		
2200 - 2400		
2400 - 2600		
2600 - 2800		
2800 - 3000		

**PENETROMETER (D.C.P)**

No. OF BLOWS	HOLE 3	HOLE 4
00 - 200		
200 - 400		
400 - 600		
600 - 800		
800 - 1000		
1000 - 1200		
1200 - 1400		
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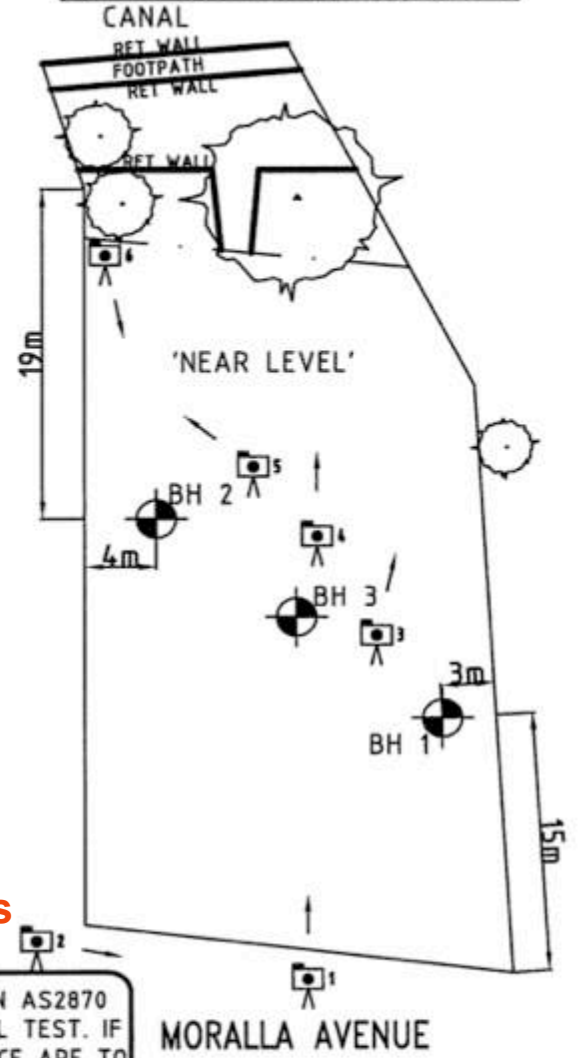
**NOTE:**  
ALL DIMENSIONS SHOWN  
ARE APPROXIMATE ONLY.

**BORE LOGS**



**NOTE:** TREES WITHIN LIMITS OUTLINED IN AS2870 WERE NOTED AT THE TIME OF THIS SOIL TEST. IF EXISTING TREES OF POTENTIAL INFLUENCE ARE TO REMAIN ENGINEERING ASSESSMENT WILL BE REQUIRED TO ASCERTAIN IF ADDITIONAL SLAB STRENGTHENING OR PIERS ARE REQUIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS2870-2011 APPENDIX (CH). ALTERNATIVELY, REMOVAL OF INFLUENTIAL TREES MUST OCCUR PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.

**SITE SKETCH (N.T.S.)**



## Geotech Reporting Solution – Deeper, more precise Geotech reduces risk & cost

Borehole 1				Borehole 1 - Continued			
Depth (M)	Description	PSP	qa	Depth (M)	Description	PSP	qa
0.0				5.5			
0.1	FILL: Clayey Silty SAND (SC) Loose to Medium Dense With Gravel, Brown-Grey-Yellow, Moist	8		5.6			
0.2		4	110	5.7			
0.3		5		5.8			
0.4	FILL: Silty SAND (SP) Loose to Medium Dense Brown-Grey, Moist	5		5.9			
0.5		6	130	6.0			
0.6		5		6.1			
0.7		6		6.2			
0.8				6.3			
0.9				6.4			
1.0				6.5			
1.1				6.6			
1.2				6.7			
1.3	FILL: Silty SAND (SM) Medium Dense Light Yellow-Light Grey, Moist			6.8			
1.4				6.9			
1.5				7.0			
1.6				7.1			
1.7				7.2			
1.8				7.3			
1.9				7.4			
2.0				7.5			
2.1				7.6			
2.2				7.7			
2.3				7.8			
2.4	Silty SAND (SM) Loose Dark Brown-Dark Grey, Wet			7.9			
2.5				8.0			
2.6				8.1			
2.7				8.2			
2.8				8.3			
2.9				8.4			
3.0				8.5			
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3.2				8.7			
3.3				8.8			
3.4				8.9			
3.5				9.0			
3.6				9.1			
3.7				9.2			
3.8				9.3			
3.9				9.4			
4.0	Silty SAND (SM) Medium Dense Dark Grey-Brown, Wet (waterable @ 4.0m)			9.5			
4.1				9.6			
4.2				9.7			
4.3				9.8			
4.4				9.9			
4.5				10.0			
4.6				10.1			
4.7				10.2			
4.8	Silty SAND (SM) Medium Dense Dark Grey, Wet			10.3			
4.9				10.4			
5.0				10.5			
5.1				10.6			
5.2				10.7			
5.3				10.8			
5.4				10.9			
5.5				11.0			

Borehole 2				Borehole 2 - Continued			
Depth (M)	Description	DCP	qa	Depth (M)	Description	DCP	qa
0.0				5.5			
0.1	FILL: Clayey Silty SAND (SC) Loose to Medium Dense With Gravel, Brown-Grey-Yellow, Moist			5.6			
0.2				5.7			
0.3				5.8			
0.4	FILL: Silty SAND (SP) Loose to Medium Dense Brown-Grey, Moist			5.9			
0.5				6.0			
0.6				6.1			
0.7				6.2			
0.8				6.3			
0.9				6.4			
1.0				6.5			
1.1				6.6			
1.2				6.7			
1.3	FILL: Silty SAND (SM) Medium Dense Light Yellow-Light Grey, Moist			6.8			
1.4				6.9			
1.5				7.0			
1.6				7.1			
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1.9				7.4			
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2.1				7.6			
2.2				7.7			
2.3				7.8			
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5.5				11.0			

Borehole 3				Borehole 3 - Continued			
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0.0				5.5			
0.1	FILL: Clayey Silty SAND (SC) Loose to Medium Dense With Gravel, Brown-Grey-Yellow, Moist	5		5.6			
0.2		6	130	5.7			
0.3		5		5.8			
0.4	FILL: Silty SAND (SP) Loose to Medium Dense Brown-Grey, Moist	6		5.9			
0.5		7	160	6.0			
0.6		7		6.1			
0.7		8	180	6.2			
0.8		8		6.3			
0.9		8		6.4			
1.0				6.5			
1.1				6.6			
1.2				6.7			
1.3	Silty SAND (SM) Medium Dense Light Yellow-Light Grey, Moist			6.8			
1.4				6.9			
1.5				7.0			
1.6				7.1			
1.7				7.2			
1.8				7.3			
1.9				7.4			
2.0	Silty SAND (SM) Loose Dark Brown-Dark Grey, Wet			7.5			
2.1				7.6			
2.2				7.7			
2.3				7.8			
2.4				7.9			
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### SITE INVESTIGATION & CLASSIFICATION REPORT

**CLIENT:** Blade Pile QLD Pty Ltd  
 13 Alex Fisher Drive  
 BURLEIGH HEADS QLD 4220

**JOB NUMBER:** 43237-15RS (Revision A)

**SITE ADDRESS:** [Redacted]

**DATE:** 12 January 2016

**SITE CLASSIFICATION:** **Class P** – due to trees (refer note)  
**Class P** – due to fill (class S properties, excluding trees)  
 Note: house removal, refer note



- Terms**
- DCP: Dynamic cone penetrometer (blows/100mm)
  - H<sub>s</sub>: AS2870 Depth of design soil suction change (mm), or HEDRA/QBCC update 2015.
  - H<sub>c</sub>: Depth of cracking (mm)
  - I<sub>ps</sub>: Estimated Shrink-swell index (%/pF)
  - I<sub>ss</sub>: Shrink-swell index (%/pF)
  - PP: Pocket penetrometer bearing pressure (kPa)
  - q<sub>a</sub>: Allowable bearing pressure (kPa)
  - UTP: Unable to penetrate
  - HWR: Highly weathered rock
  - y<sub>s</sub>: Characteristic surface movement (mm)
  - y<sub>t</sub>: Potential additional surface movement due to trees (mm)
- Laboratory test results**
- H<sub>s</sub> (mm): 1700
  - H<sub>c</sub> (mm): 850
  - Sample: A
  - I<sub>ps</sub> (%/pF): 0.1
  - y<sub>s</sub> (mm): 0 to 5
  - y<sub>t</sub> (mm): 0

# Pile Loads Issue – Generalised higher loads = Waste & Higher Costs

**FOUNDING MATERIALS**

ALL FOOTINGS REQUIRED INTO  
**FIRM NATURAL GROUND.**  
(VIA 100KN S.W.L. SCREW PIERS WHERE NECESSARY)  
SLAB REQUIRED INTO  
**FIRM NATURAL GROUND.**  
(VIA 75KN S.W.L. SCREW PIERS WHERE NECESSARY)

**EXISTING FILL MATERIALS**

(PRIOR TO CUT/FILL)  
TO APPROX. 3000 mm

**R.C. SLAB (ON GROUND)**

100mm THICK  
SL72 FABRIC  
20 TOP COVER (INTERNAL)  
40 TOP COVER (EXTERNAL)

**EDGE THICKENING**

ET: 300 DEEP x 300 WIDE (3L11TM)

**INTERNAL BEAM**

IB: 250 DEEP x 300 WIDE (3L8TM)

**RE-ENTRANT CORNERS**

DENOTES 3L11TM x 2000 LONG TIED TO  
UNDERSIDE OF SLAB REINF. (TYP. ALL  
RE-ENTRANT & RECESS CORNERS)

**ISOLATED STRIP FOOTINGS**

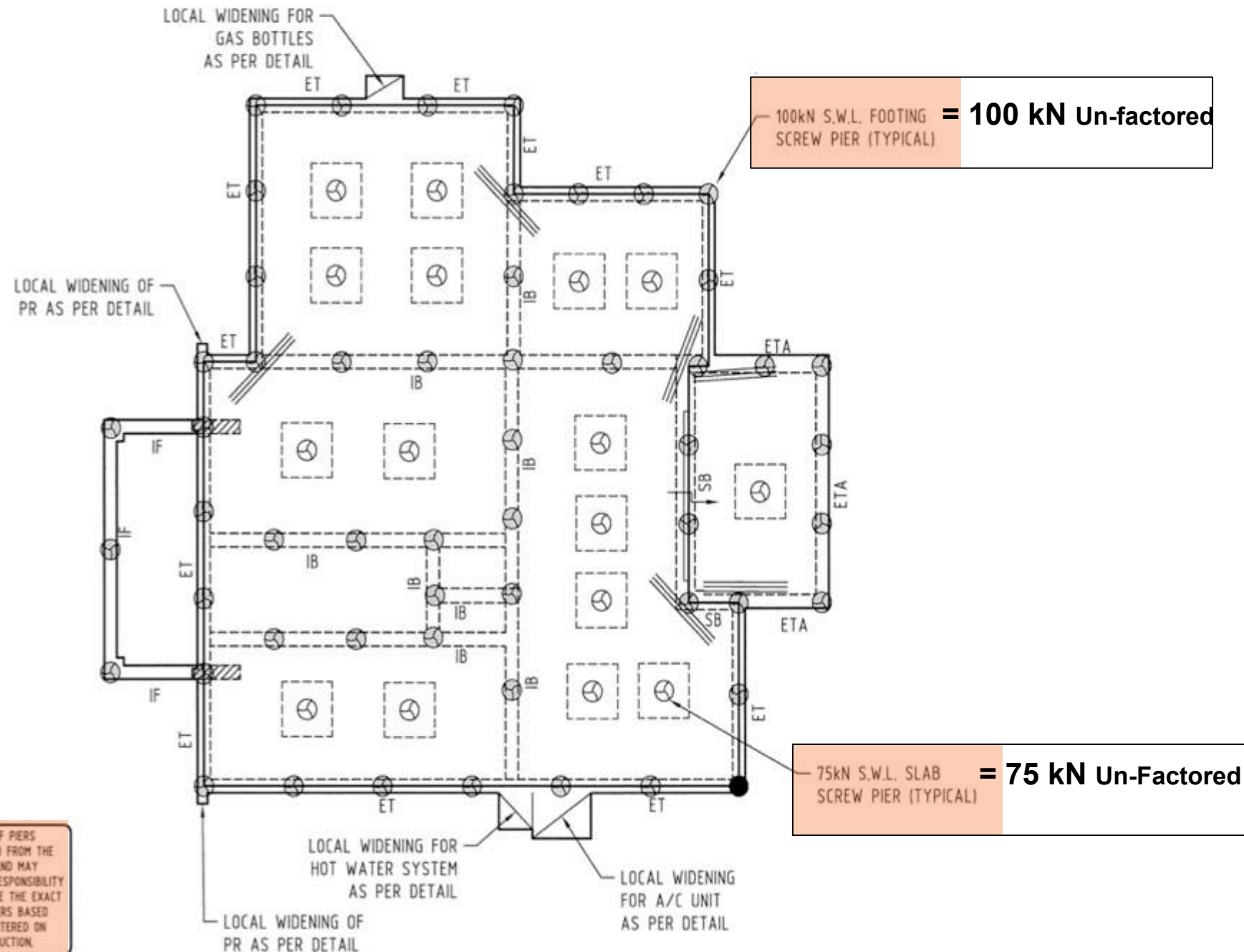
IF: 450 DEEP x 300 WIDE (MIN)  
(REFER TYPICAL ISOLATED FOOTING DETAILS  
EXACT WIDTH AS PER ARCH. DRAWINGS.)

WHERE WALLS ARE LOAD BEARING AND ARE NOT  
SUPPORTED WITHIN 1m OF AN INTERNAL BEAM OR A  
POINT LOAD IS SUPPORTED BY SLAB ONLY CONTACT  
ENGINEER IMMEDIATELY FOR POSSIBLE REDESIGN.

**NOTE:**

- SCREW PIERS ARE TO BE DESIGNED BY THE PILING CONTRACTOR. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SUPPLY FORM 15 & FORM 16 CERTIFICATES FROM A PRACTICING RPEQ ENGINEER CERTIFYING THAT THE DESIGN AND THE PIERS IN THEIR INSTALLED LOCATIONS ARE STRUCTURALLY ADEQUATE, TO CARRY THE SPECIFIED LOADS.
- PIERS DESIGN LIFE TO BE 50 YEARS IN THE GROUND CONDITIONS ON SITE.
- PIERS ARE TO APPLY NO MOMENT TO THE SLAB OR FOOTING.
- CERTIFICATION OF LOAD CARRYING IS REQUIRED, REFERENCE TO TORQUE DIAL GAUGE READINGS ONLY IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.
- THE PILING CONTRACTOR MUST ENSURE AN APPROPRIATE SIZE HELIX IS USED ON SITE TO AVOID THE POTENTIAL OF EXCESSIVELY DEEP PIERS.

THE NUMBER AND LOCATION OF PIERS SHOWN HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED FROM THE LIMITED SITE INVESTIGATION AND MAY DIFFER ON SITE. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BUILDER TO DETERMINE THE EXACT NUMBER AND LOCATION OF PIERS BASED UPON THE CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED ON SITE AT THE TIME OF CONSTRUCTION.



Providing the wrong pile loads for each location, means the client pays for piles that they don't need



# Specified Pile Loads Solution – Calculated pile loads = No Waste & Lower Costs

## NOTES

### FOUNDING MATERIALS

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(VIA 100KN S.W.L. SCREW PIERS WHERE NECESSARY)  
SLAB REQUIRED INTO  
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(VIA 75KN S.W.L. SCREW PIERS WHERE NECESSARY)

### EXISTING FILL MATERIALS

(PRIOR TO CUT/FILL)  
TO APPROX. 3000 mm

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100mm THICK  
SL72 FABRIC  
20 TOP COVER (INTERNAL)  
40 TOP COVER (EXTERNAL)

### EDGE THICKENING

ET: 300 DEEP x 300 WIDE (3L11TM)

### INTERNAL BEAM

IB: 250 DEEP x 300 WIDE (3L8TM)

### RE-ENTRANT CORNERS

DENOTES 3L11TM x 2000 LONG TIED TO  
UNDERSIDE OF SLAB REINF. (TYP. ALL  
RE-ENTRANT & RECESS CORNERS)

### ISOLATED STRIP FOOTINGS

IF: 450 DEEP x 300 WIDE (MIN)  
(REFER TYPICAL ISOLATED FOOTING DETAILS  
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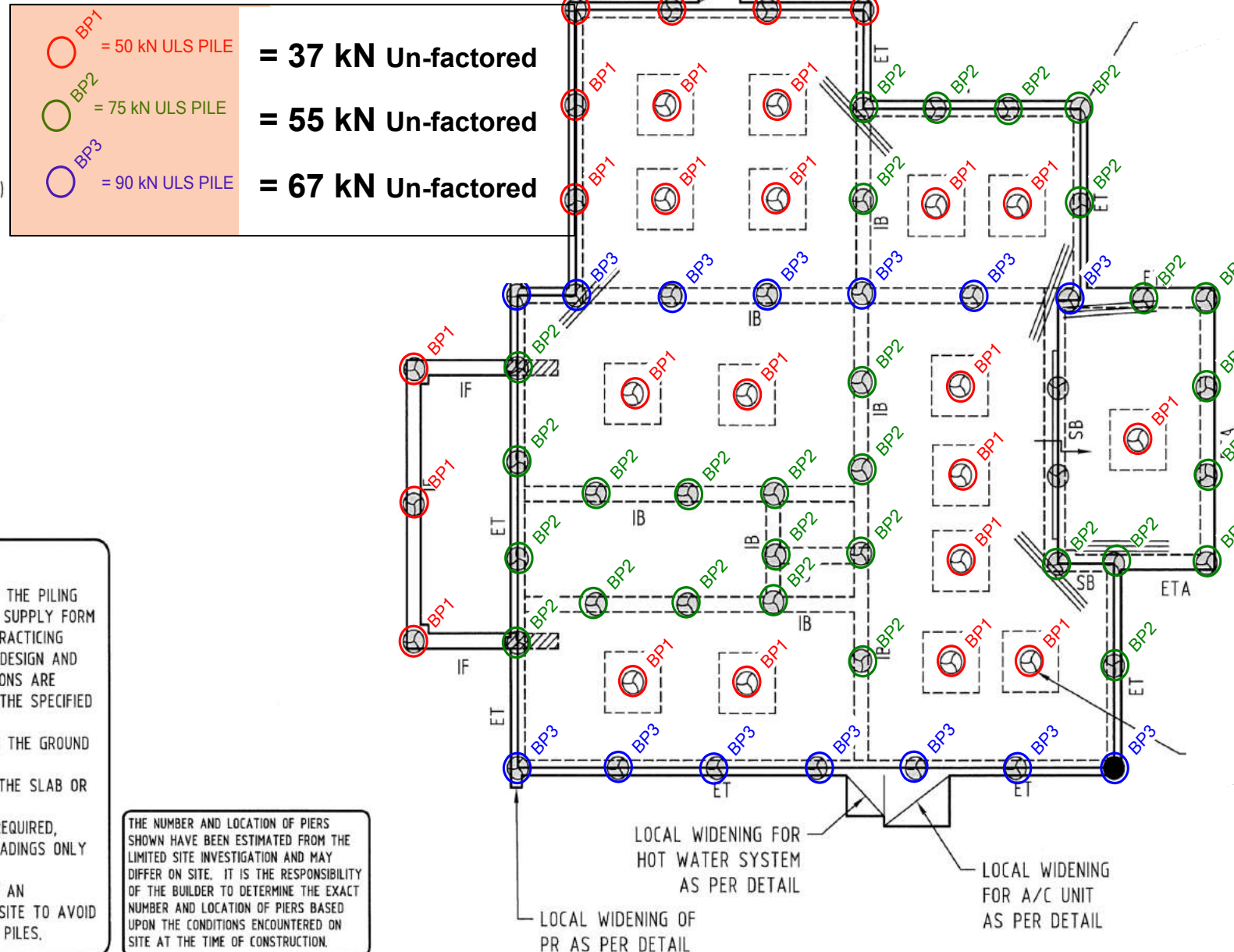
WHERE WALLS ARE LOAD BEARING AND ARE NOT  
SUPPORTED WITHIN 1m OF AN INTERNAL BEAM OR A  
POINT LOAD IS SUPPORTED BY SLAB ONLY CONTACT  
ENGINEER IMMEDIATELY FOR POSSIBLE REDESIGN.

### NOTE:

- SCREW PIERS ARE TO BE DESIGNED BY THE PILING CONTRACTOR. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL SUPPLY FORM 15 & FORM 16 CERTIFICATES FROM A PRACTICING RPEQ ENGINEER CERTIFYING THAT THE DESIGN AND THE PIERS IN THEIR INSTALLED LOCATIONS ARE STRUCTURALLY ADEQUATE, TO CARRY THE SPECIFIED LOADS.
- PIERS DESIGN LIFE TO BE 50 YEARS IN THE GROUND CONDITIONS ON SITE.
- PIERS ARE TO APPLY NO MOMENT TO THE SLAB OR FOOTING.
- CERTIFICATION OF LOAD CARRYING IS REQUIRED, REFERENCE TO TORQUE DIAL GAUGE READINGS ONLY IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.
- THE PILING CONTRACTOR MUST ENSURE AN APPROPRIATE SIZE HELIX IS USED ON SITE TO AVOID THE POTENTIAL OF EXCESSIVELY DEEP PIERS.

THE NUMBER AND LOCATION OF PIERS SHOWN HAVE BEEN ESTIMATED FROM THE LIMITED SITE INVESTIGATION AND MAY DIFFER ON SITE. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE BUILDER TO DETERMINE THE EXACT NUMBER AND LOCATION OF PIERS BASED UPON THE CONDITIONS ENCOUNTERED ON SITE AT THE TIME OF CONSTRUCTION.

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PILE LOCATION



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Calculating the correct pile load for each location, means the right piles at the right cost for the client

# Technical Design Manual

*Blade Pile Geotechnical Designs - Piling & Foundation Systems*



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*Design information, methodologies, calculations and recommendations documented within this TDM are in accordance with the relevant Australian Standards, to ensure that proper compliance & certification can be achieved for the mandatory requirements of those standards.*



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# 5.

## Slab Systems



The Blade Pile Group and its associate company Airformer, have invented & patented the following Slab Systems.

Blade Pile Group - Pile Cap Slab System - Waffle or conventional slabs.

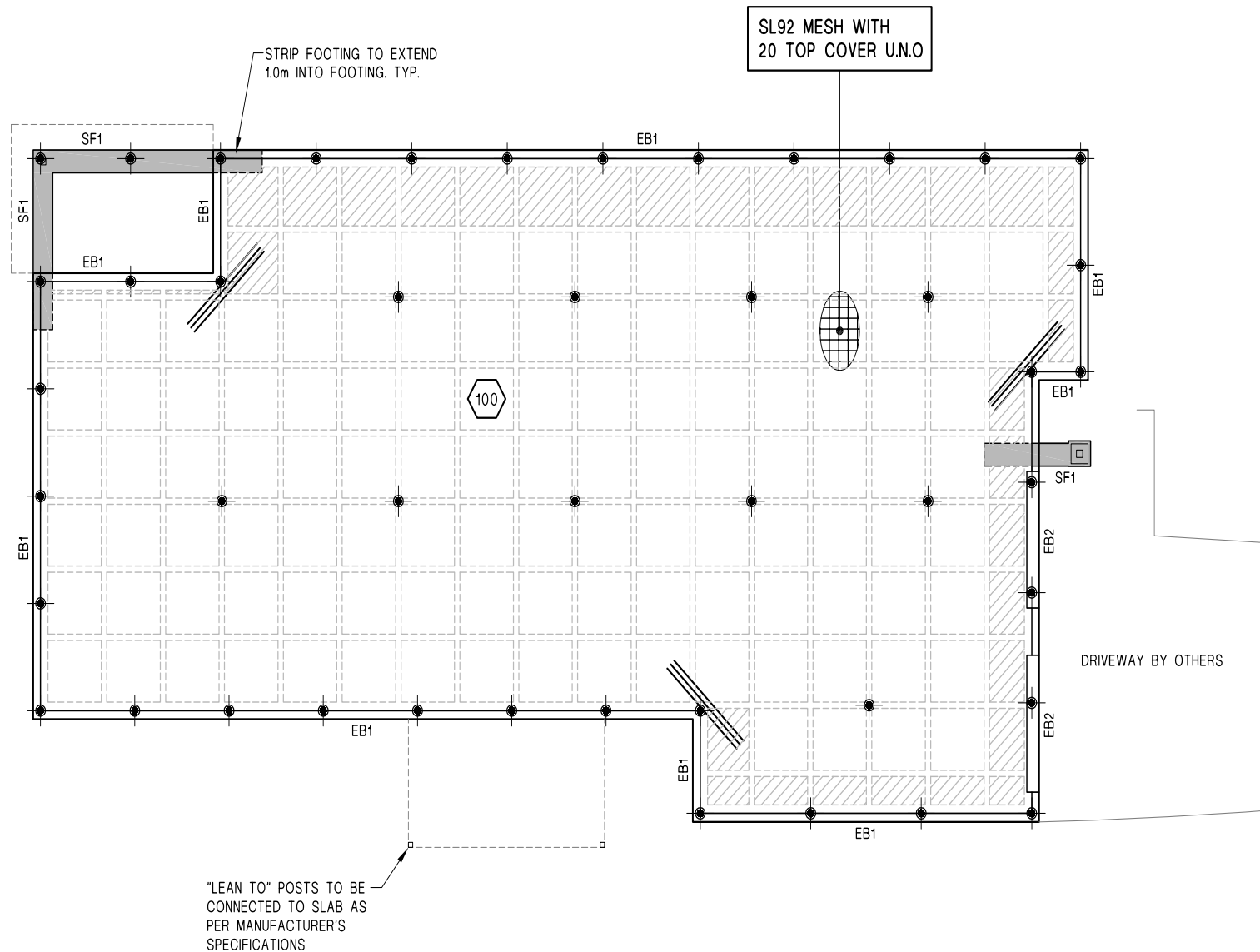
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- Air Slab System – Recycled Plastic Air Pods & Accessories.

- Blade Slab System – Recycled Plastic Blade Pods & Blade Plates.

# Pile Cap Slab System – Waffle Raft Slab, Blade Piles & Slip Joint Pile Cap



**FOOTING & SLAB PLAN**  
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AGG: 20mm

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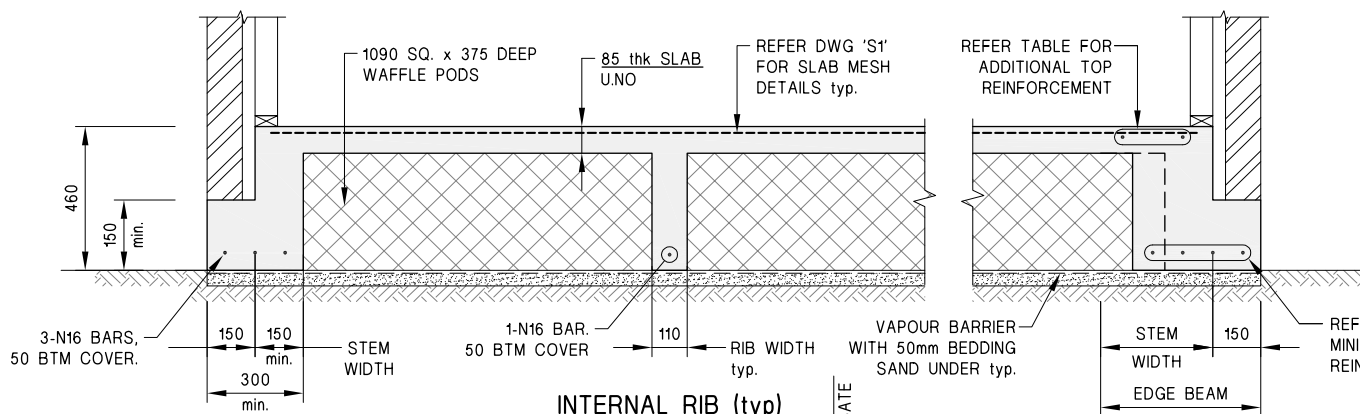
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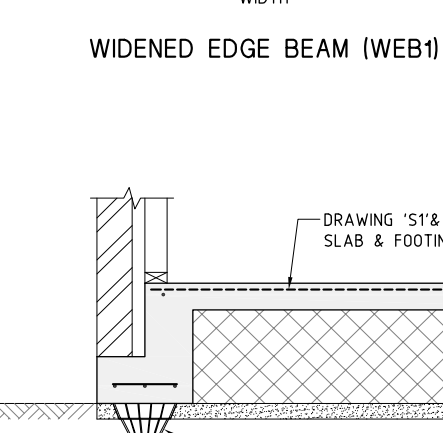
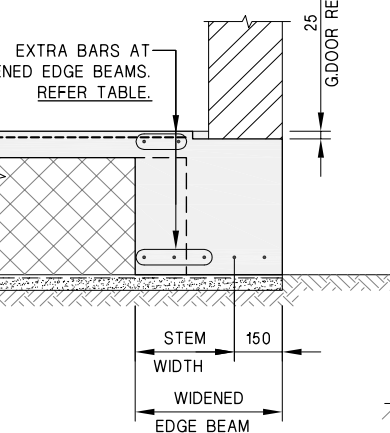
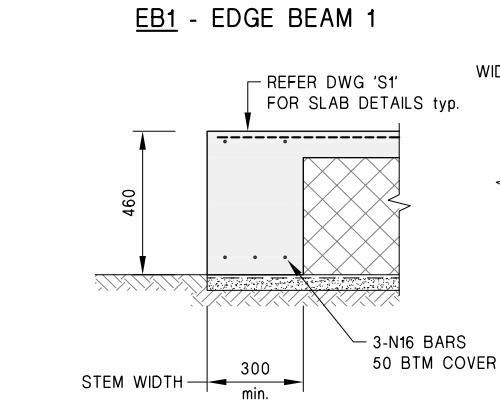
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**REINFORCEMENT FOR WIDENED BEAMS:**

STEM WIDTH (mm)	ADDITIONAL TOP BARS	EDGE BEAM WIDTH (mm)	MINIMUM BTM BARS
110 - 150	0	110 - 150	1
151 - 220	1	151 - 220	2
221 - 300	2	221 - 300	3
301 - 330	2	301 - 330	3
331 - 440	3	331 - 440	4

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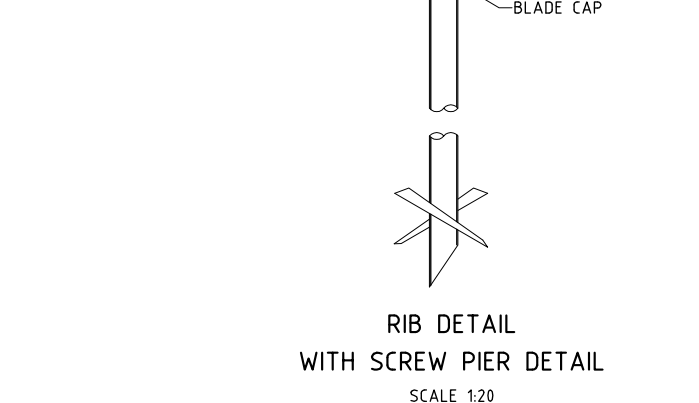
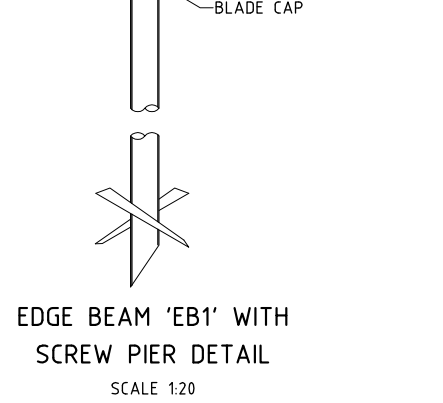
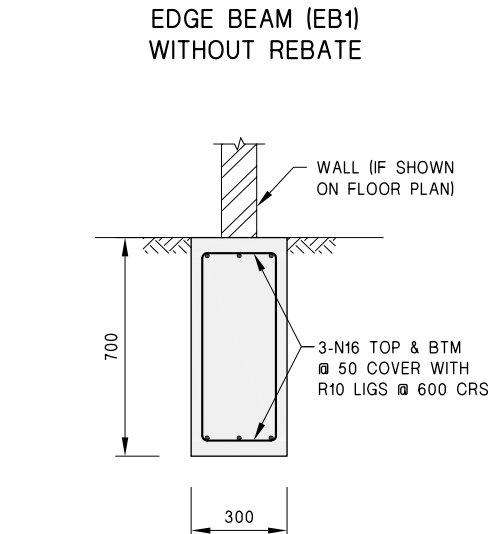


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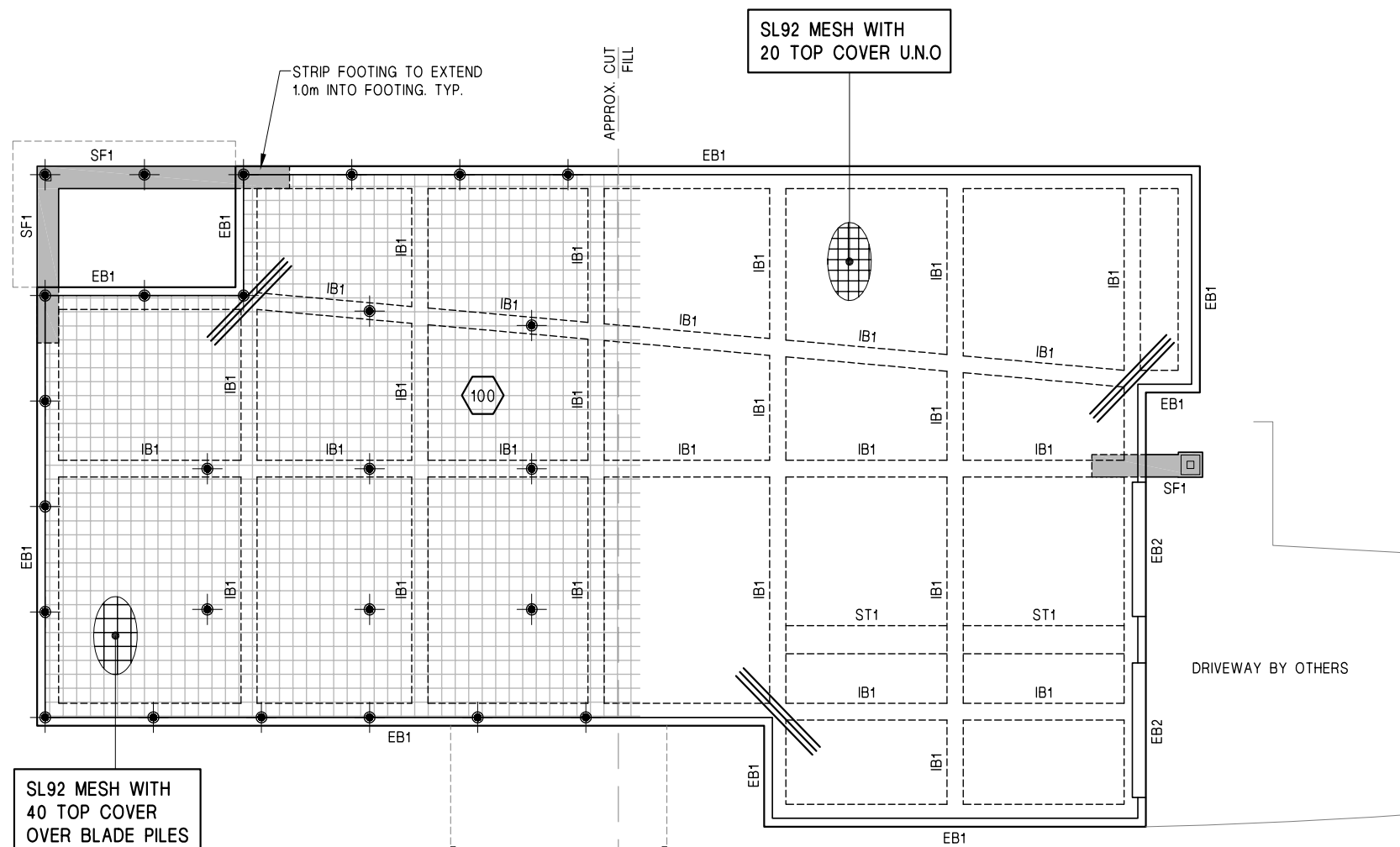
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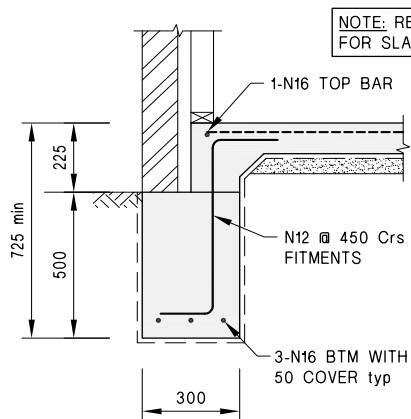
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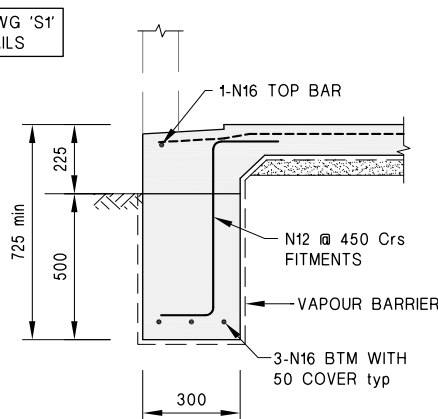
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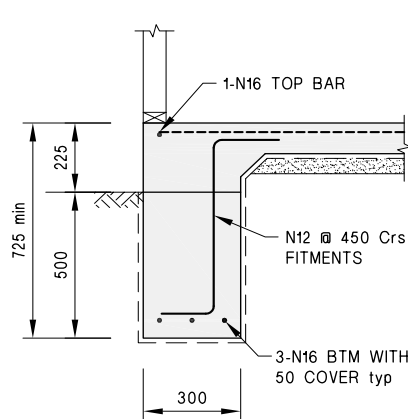
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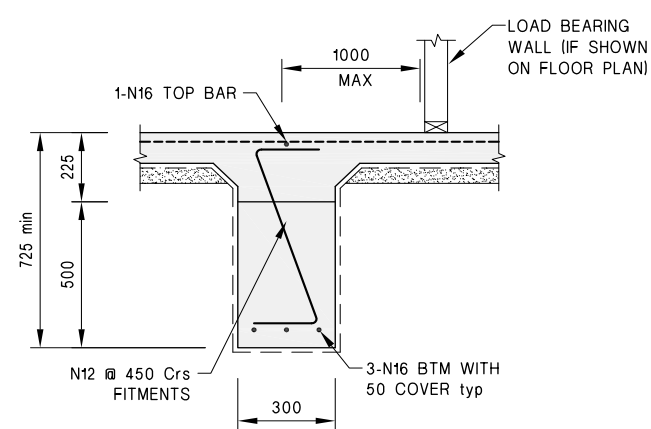
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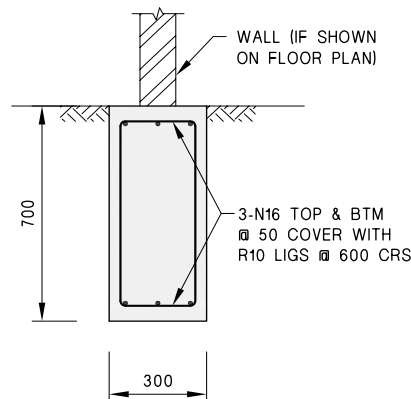


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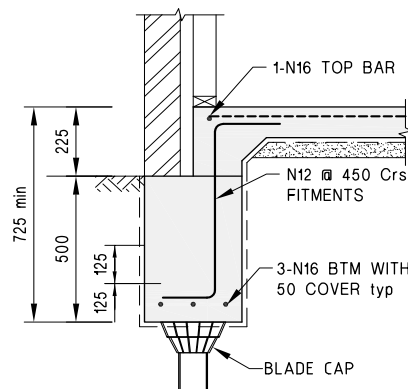
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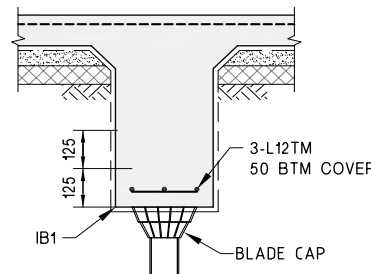
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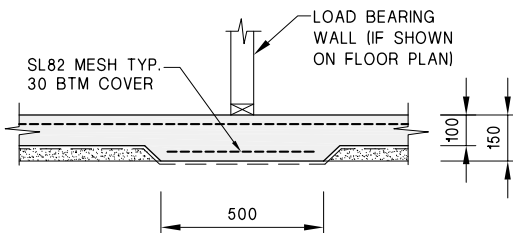
**EDGE BEAM 'EB1' WITH BLADE PILE DETAIL**

SCALE 1:20



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**ST1 - INTERNAL SLAB THICKENING FOR LOAD-BEARING WALLS**

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Attention: Kym Plotkin, CEO

Dear Sir,

**Subject: Pile Cap Slab Footing System**

We confirm that we have examined the Pile Cap Slab System and have successfully carried out designs of residential footings using this method of footing construction.

The Pile Cap Slab Footing System comprises several elements as follows:

1. A 350 grade high tensile steel shaft with a high tensile twin blade at the base which has a cutting edge at 45° (Plate A). This blade pile falls under the classification of a "steel screw pile" by AS 2159-2009 "Piling – design and installation", Section 1.3.32. It is an alternative method of piling to the conventional steel screw pile with a helical circular base, a timber pile, and a bored and cast-in-situ concrete pile. Plate B shows the installation of a Blade Pile.



Plate A – Blade Pile

Plate B – Installation of Blade Pile

2. A pile cap made of high density PVC which provides an enlarged support to the surface footing (Plate C). The pile cap has a slip joint that accommodates soil heave. The pile cap also provides a compression only connection to the surface footing.

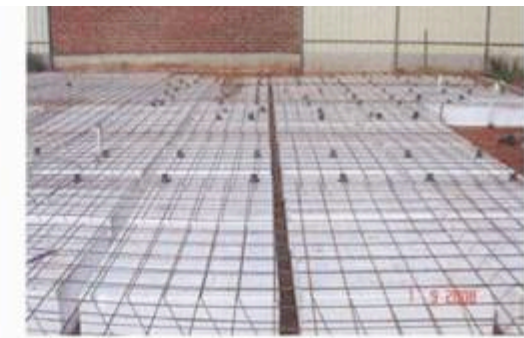


Plate C – Pile caps in place

Plate D – Waffle raft on blade piles and pile caps

3. A surface footing which is either a conventional stiffened slab system (such a waffle raft, such as shown in Plate D) designed for the reactive soil movement for the site, or alternatively a suspended reinforced concrete slab supported on the blade piles and pile caps, and cast on void forms comprising collapsible polystyrene "Star Pods". For the former system, the blade pile and pile cap minimises the development of edge settlement of the stiffened shallow footing. For the latter system, the blade pile and pile cap enables the floor slab to be suspended above the reactive soil movements.

The design of the Pile Cap Slab System will follow the intention of AS2870-2011 "Residential Slabs and Footings" Section 4.8, i.e. the design is to be in accordance with engineering principles.

Informative design procedures are given in AS2870-2011 Section G6.

In particular, the Pile Cap Slab System can be designed to meet the following design requirements:

- The pile must have an adequate compressive structural and geotechnical strength,
- The pile must have adequate tensile structural and geotechnical strength,
- The pile must have adequate flexural (bending) structural strength,
- The pile cap can be designed to accommodate the expected soil swell for the site,
- The pile cap can be designed to carry the compressive load from the surface footing,
- The pile must be adequately anchored in the soil. In the case of reactive sites, the pile must be founded in the stable zone below the depth of reactive soil movements,
- When the Pile Cap Slab System is used to suspend the floor slab above the reactive soil, the footing must be isolated from the reactive soil, and
- There must be isolation and flexibility of the services connecting to the structure supported on the Pile Cap Slab System.

With the above design requirements being met, we have found the Pile Cap Slab System to be a very effective method of footing construction.

Yours sincerely  
 Aurecon Australia Pty Ltd

Dr. Peter W. Mitchell  
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## Pile Testing



Blade Pile Group and its associated companies understand the importance of ongoing independent structural & geotechnical testing of foundation products and are now able to assist other parties in acquiring expert pile testing services.

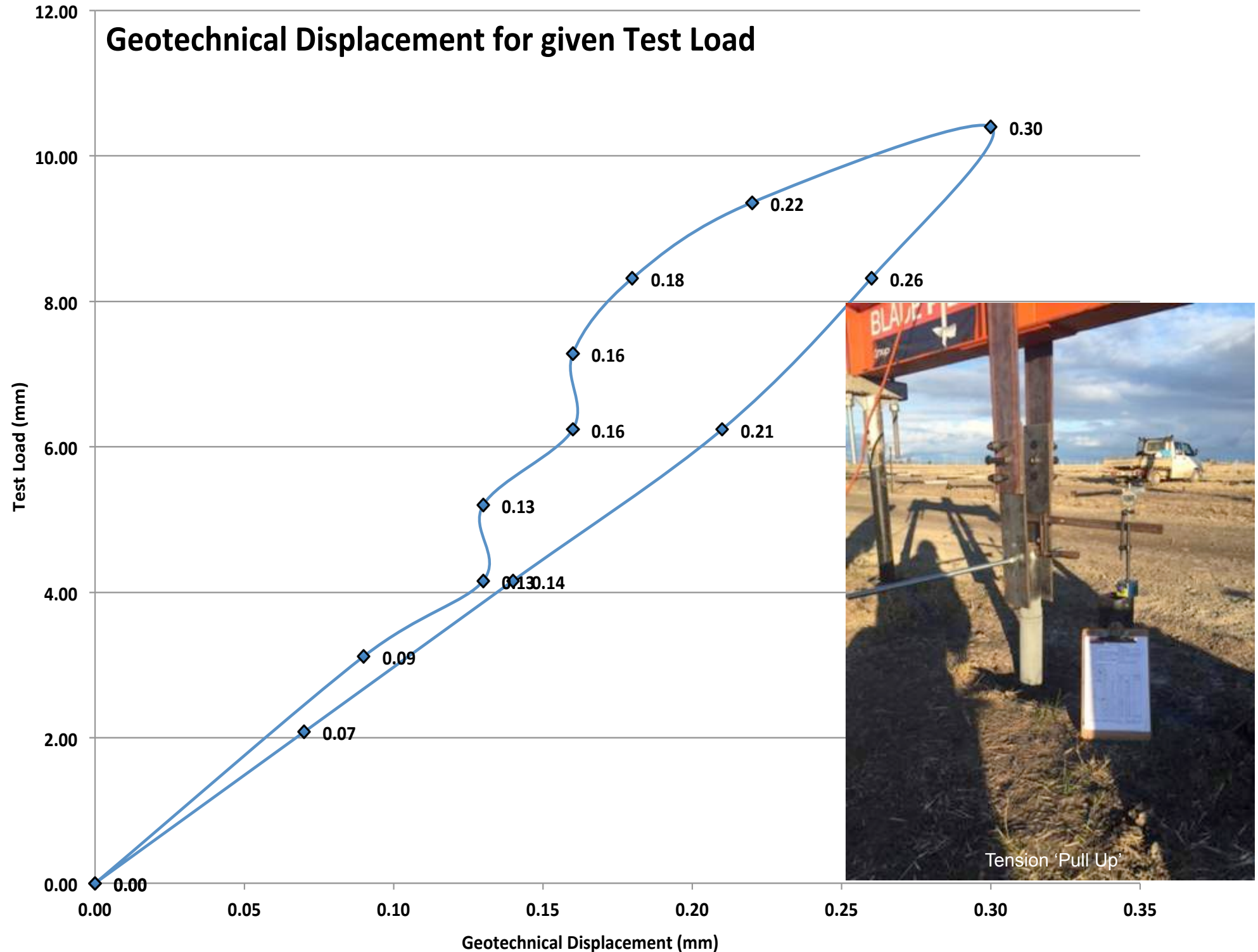
Independent verification and certification of Blade Pile Group products continues to be carried out by some of Australia's leading engineers, testing laboratories and consulting engineering companies.

Some of the parties that have worked with Blade Pile to provide testing include Structerre Consulting Engineers, GHD Consulting Engineers WA, Aurecon SA, Prompt Certification WA, URS SA, University of South Australia, Griffith University QLD, ALS Group, Foundations Specialist Group, Alfa Labs QLD and Dr. Peter Mitchell.

The Blade Pile Group and its associated companies have now established pile testing services for other parties. Our group works directly with certifying engineers in Australia and overseas, to ensure independent, accurate & reliable certification services that meet all Standards, Building Codes and regulatory requirements.

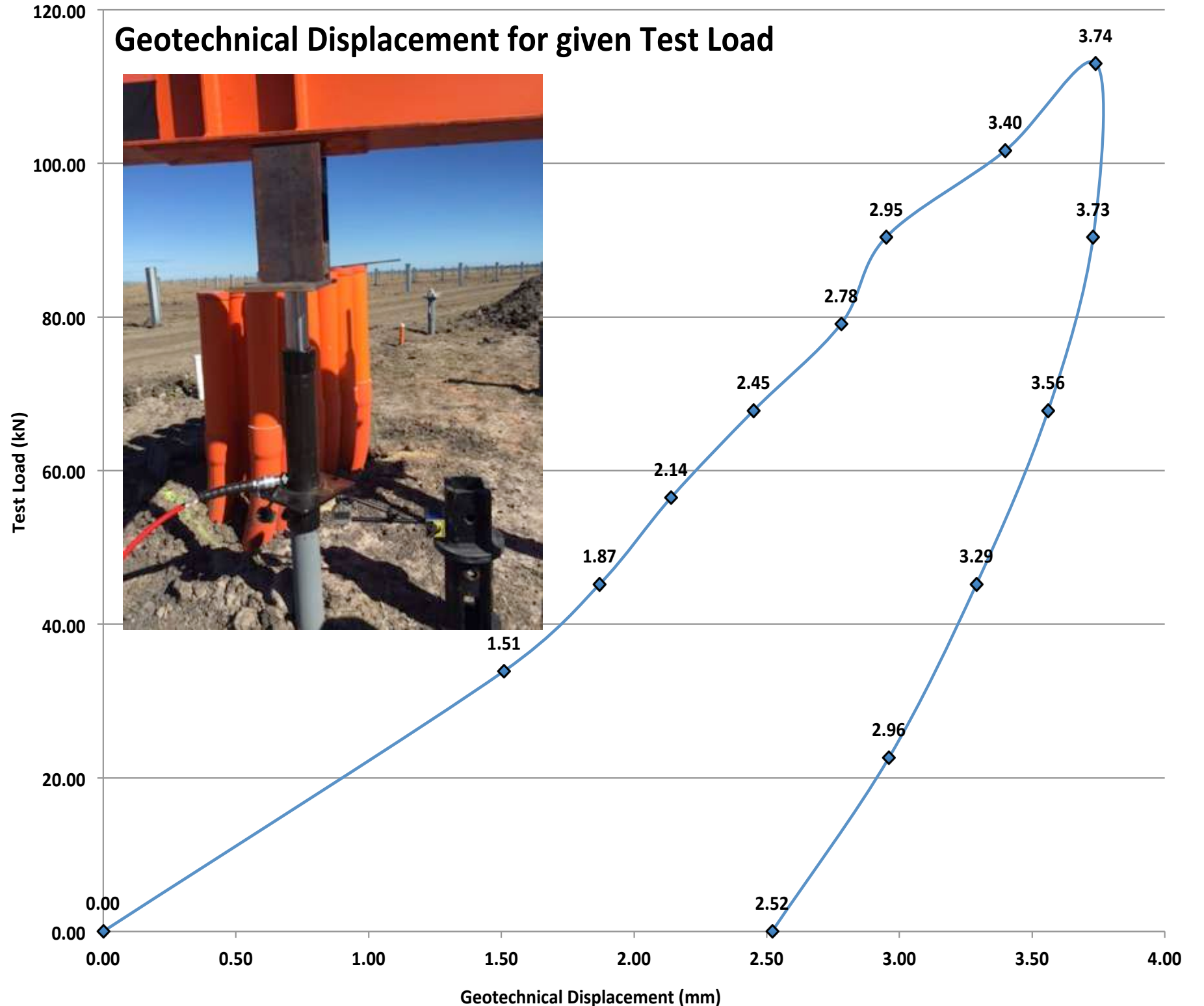
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3	4.16	0.13
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5	6.24	0.16
6	7.28	0.16
7	8.32	0.18
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11	6.24	0.21
12	4.16	0.14
13	2.08	0.07
14	0.00	0.00
15		



**COMPRESSION TEST**

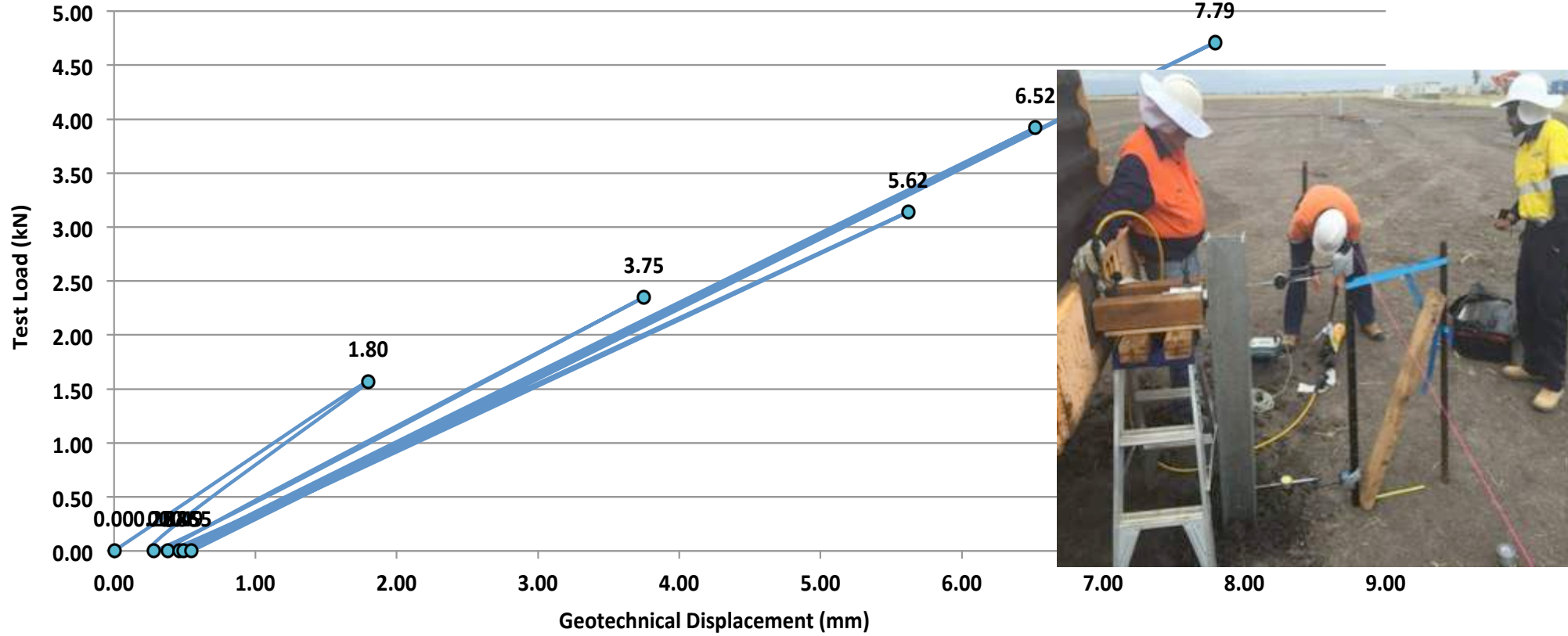
Each No.	Test Load kN	Displacement NGL (mm)
0	0.00	0.00
1	33.90	1.51
2	45.20	1.87
3	56.50	2.14
4	67.80	2.45
5	79.10	2.78
6	90.40	2.95
7	101.70	3.40
8	113.00	3.74
9	90.40	3.73
10	67.80	3.56
11	45.20	3.29
12	22.60	2.96
13	0.00	2.52
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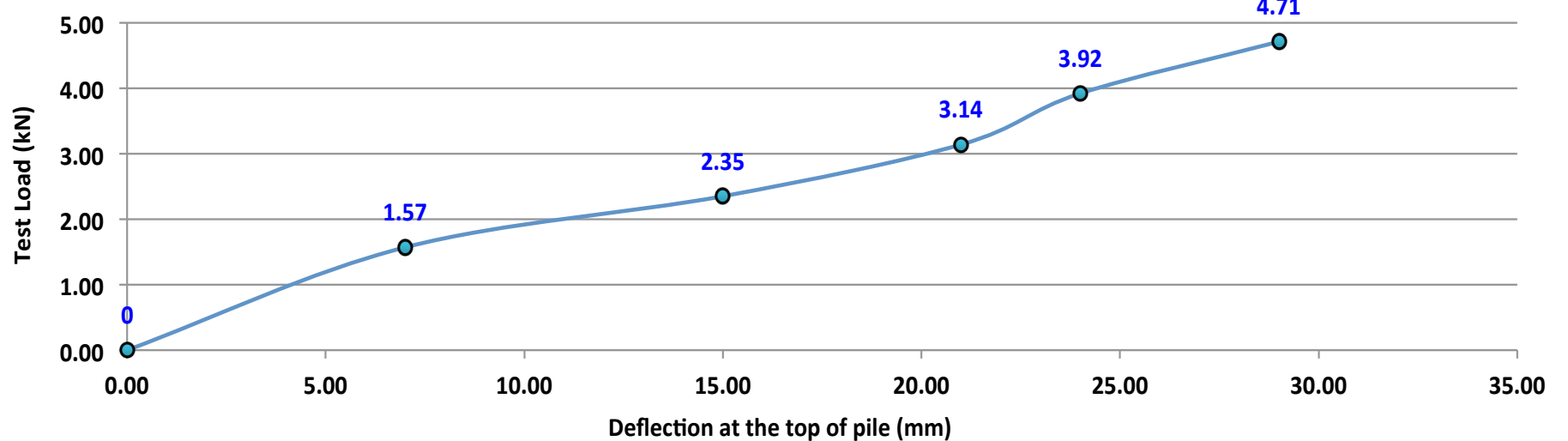
**LATERAL TEST**

Each No.	Test Load (kN)	Geotechnical Displacement	
		Bottom (mm)	Top (mm)
Start	0.00	0.00	
50%SLS	1.57	1.80	7.00
Rebound	0.00	0.28	
75%SLS	2.35	3.75	15.00
Rebound	0.00	0.38	
100% SLS	3.14	5.62	21.00
Rebound	0.00	0.46	
125% SLS	3.92	6.52	24.00
Rebound	0.00	0.49	
150% SLS	4.71	7.79	29.00
Rebound	0.00	0.55	

**Geotechnical Displacement (bottom) for given Test Load**



**Deflection at top of pier for given Test Load**



Summary	
Notes:	

# Blade Pile – Destruction Testing to Determine & Optimise Geodynamic Performance

Blade Piles are continually tested beyond their limit, to verify and certify the Blade design, fusion welded connections and there relationship with a given CHS pipe.

All these elements are designed to perform equally to there limit, with ZERO allowable tolerance for weld failure, to ensure the best possible performance in all Geotechnical environments.



Ground Penetration Test Moree NSW



Extreme Iron Stone Cobble Test Karratha WA



Weld Limit Testing – Alfa Lab Brisbane QLD

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**MECHANICAL TESTING REPORT RE-ISSUE**


AlfaTest Report No:	20150178M01 Re-issue	Date of Inspection:	20 January 2015
Location of Test:	Brisbane Laboratory, Qld	Client Order No:	01338
Client Name/Address:	Blade Pile Group Pty Ltd 13 Alex Fisher Drive, Burleigh Heads, Qld 4220		
Client Job No:	Not specified		
Project Details:	Static load testing of supplied samples		
Item Details:	M01 - 89mm diameter pipe, no gussets M02 - 89mm diameter pipe with 2 gussets M04 - 76mm diameter pipe without gussets M05 - 89mm diameter pipe with 4 gussets		
Sample Details:	Refer Test Results		

**TECHNICAL DETAILS**  
**STATIC LOAD TEST**

Test Procedure:	TP 230	Test Spec:	Client's Requirements
Client Requirements:	Test and report results	Acceptance Spec:	Client's Requirements
Material Spec:	Grade 350 (Fabricated Parts)		

<b>Test Equipment</b>		Equipment No:	480
Equipment:	Field Box	Equipment No:	543
Equipment:	700 bar Transducer	Equipment No:	570
Equipment:	5 tonne Ram	Equipment No:	1933
Equipment:	Laser Distant Measurer		

<b>Sample Condition</b>			
Time of Test:	01:00pm & 03:00pm, 20 January 2015		
Test Restrictions/Deviations:	Nil		
Compliance:	Refer Test Results		

Technician/s:	Fabian Lyons George YunHui Jiang Jabin Kirk	Approved by:	Fabian Lyons
		Signature:	
		Re-issue Date:	27 January 2015

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High Torque & Speed Impact Test Moree NSW

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## Certification



- Many piling companies only provide letters for foundation works, meaning non-compliance to the relevant Australian Standards. They offer no proper verification or calculations on how their piles satisfy the Engineers specifications or, how they comply with the relevant Standards.
- A Certifiers certificate referencing the BCA, only states piling works were completed & compliant to assumed practices & reporting. Without a 'Standards' based **Pile Design Summary Report** with calculation data, it is incomplete and therefore non compliant to AS2159-2009 (Piling Standard).
- Alarming, most residential Design Engineers assume the Certifier has properly verified that the supplied & installed piles are compliant and worse still, almost every Certifier assumes the Design Engineer has provided them all they need to know, within the slab & footings design and then only reference Part 6-612 of the Building Code ..... **A Very Dangerous Disconnect!**

Building Interim Regulations 2017  
S.R. No. 31/2017

Part 6—Building work

performance requirement P2.3.1 of the BCA  
Volume Two.

### 612 Record of pile-driving

Any person installing piles must—

- (a) keep a record of all pile-driving operations undertaken during the construction including any determination of allowable loadings; and
- (b) make the records available for inspection by the relevant building surveyor during the progress of the pile-driving operations; and
- (c) within 28 days of the completion of the pile-driving operations forward the complete records of the pile-driving operations to the relevant building surveyor.

Penalty: 10 penalty units.

### 613 Branding of timber

(1) Despite performance requirement BP1.1 of the BCA Volume One and performance requirement P2.3.1 of the BCA Volume Two, any piece of timber to be used for structural purposes must be—

- (a) stress-graded in accordance with whichever of the following standards is applicable to the type of timber—
  - (i) AS 2082—2007 Timber—Hardwood—Visually stress-graded for structural purposes, as in force, issued or published from time to time;
  - (ii) AS 2858—2008 Timber—Softwood—Visually stress-graded for structural purposes, as in force, issued or published from time to time;

Authorised by the Chief Parliamentary Counsel



## Fire brigade seeks \$10m over botched Glen Iris station

Clay Lucas   

SHARE TWEET MORE

It was meant to be the pride of the eastern suburbs firefighting forces and stand as a landmark in Glen Iris for decades.

Instead, the Metropolitan Fire Brigade paid \$5 million to builders for a new fire station that was so flawed it had to be demolished within a year.



The Glen Iris site on Wednesday. Photo: Paul Jeffers

The building, it was feared, could have crumbled under the weight of fire trucks.

Now the fire brigade and the architects they're suing have hired expensive lawyers and a fierce legal battle is unfolding in the Supreme Court over who is to blame for the mess.


The fire brigade bought the Glen Iris site in 2011 for \$9 million. Near the freeway, major roads and the railway station, it was a perfect location for getting to emergencies in the surrounding suburbs.

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### PROPERTY NEWS

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TRISTA TECHNOLOGY - Pile Loads Performance Analysis - Foundations / Case Study for Multi-Unit Project

**Note:** Recommended Pile CHS sections, only to be used if the pile cap, beam or slab arrangement above the piles is considered very stiff and the soil is considered stiff enough to support the pile from buckling. Not to be used especially with soils having loose or soft consistency, piles above ground and for higher exposure classifications.

MD to DENSE SAND - WET

After AS2159-2009 interpretation and determination for a Øg risk reduction % factor applied to Rd,ug - Enter Øg percentage

60.0%

AS1170 - STRUCTURAL LOAD	
Total kN	Total kN
SLS (SWL)	ULS
	Inc. Pile Weight
16.89	22.80
75.00	101.25

AS1163 & AS4100 - PILE CAPACITY (CHS)								
Pile Tube (CHS)	kN Capacity	Exposure (Corrosion) categories - 50 Year DL						Total kN
Pile CHS 350 G	ØNs (Ult Axial)	Non	Mild	Moderate	Combined Actions		ULS	
				ØMs	ØNs	Shaft D	Must be <1	
76.1 x 4.0	285.4	248	211	2.8	138	76.1	0.2	116.2
88.9 x 5.5	453.9	410	367	6.6	282	88.9	0.4	237.0

AS2159 - GEOTECHNICAL (HELIX) CAPACITY				Øg % Factored		
Sand Density % (55-65)	Depth	Achieved	vs.	Required	Ult Geo Strength	Total kN
					Achieved vs. Required	ULS
Helix Design		2.5 - 3.0		8.0		
250 x 125 x 8		38 kN (Rd,ug) TEST PILE			38	22.80
300 x 150 x 10				169 kN (Rd,ug) REQUIRED	169	101.40

RED DENOTES WHAT WAS SUPPLIED & BLUE DENOTES WHAT IS SPECIFIED - Please refer to attached piling diagrams A & B

PLEASE NOTE: The above chart is qualified with the below information.

Blue notations assume that an adequate layer of MD to Dense Sand is found at 8.00 metres. Red denotes what was supplied, installed and achieved on site during installation & testing.

Red denotes 76.1 x 4.0mm with 250 twin Helix plates Piles founded between 2.7 to 3.0 metres, as documented within the piling installation report and verified with photographs taken during installation.

38 kN achieved by the test pile during static load testing, is the ultimate geotechnical strength (Rd,ug), determined in accordance with the requirements specified within the Australian Piling Standard AS2159-2009.

The Øg risk reduction % factor above (60%), is based on sufficient pile design data/testing as specified within AS2159-2009. Page 6, of the report recommends a 45% Øg risk reduction % factor = 253 kN (Rd,ug)

If the Øg risk reduction % factor was applied to the 38 kN (Rd,ug), it would only equal 17.1 kN (ULS) & 12.67 (SLS). Only 16.9% of the pile performance required for this project.

The larger 88.9 x 5.5 pile (CHS) and Helix design above, would be more suitable to satisfy the loads and overcome the potential for bending moment, from un-supported pile lengths in the upper weaker non bracing soils.

Appropriate pile testing for this project must be static load compression testing, conducted in accordance with AS2159-2009. Rapid pull up tests are not relevant, because they only give a guide to soil strength for tension loads.

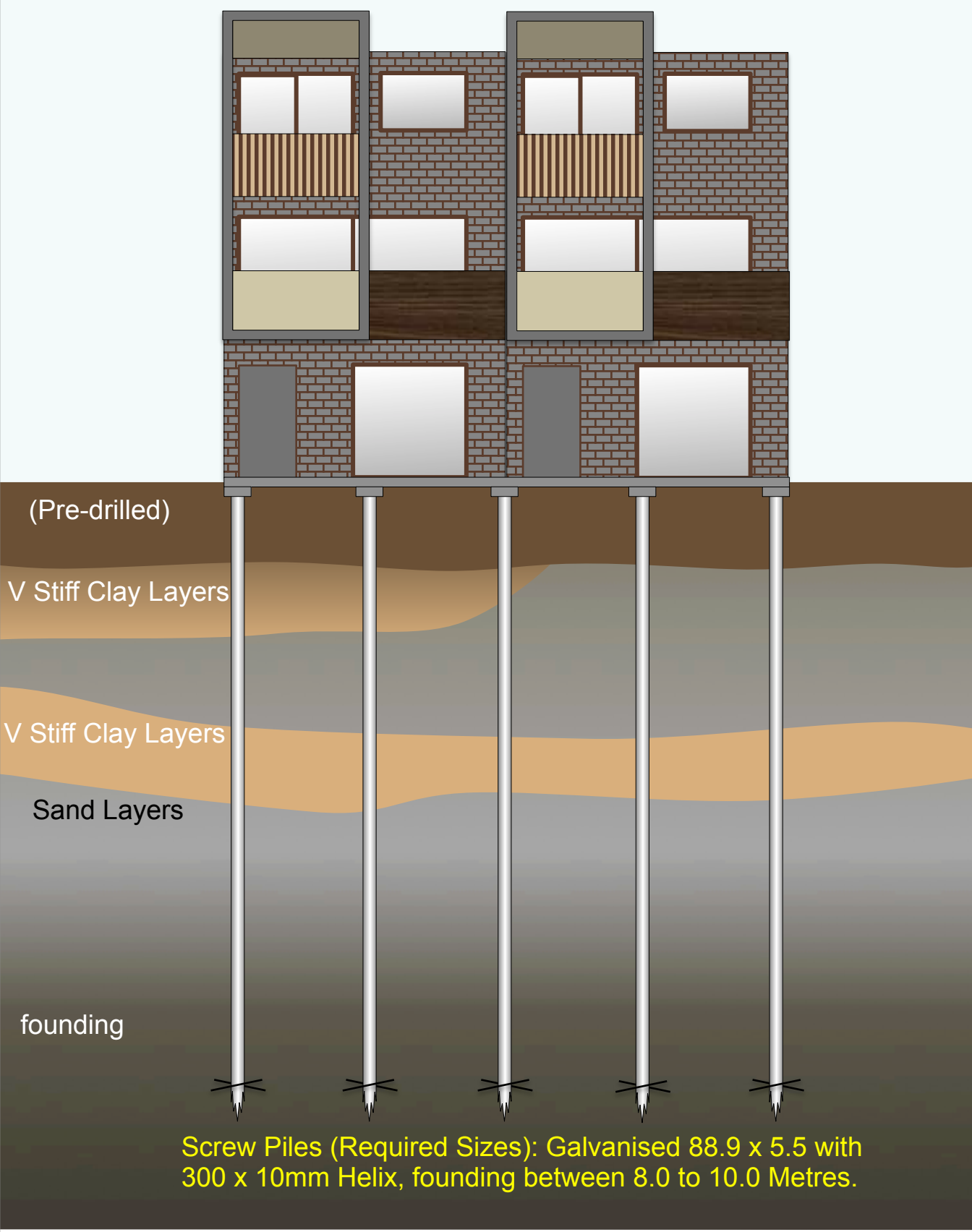
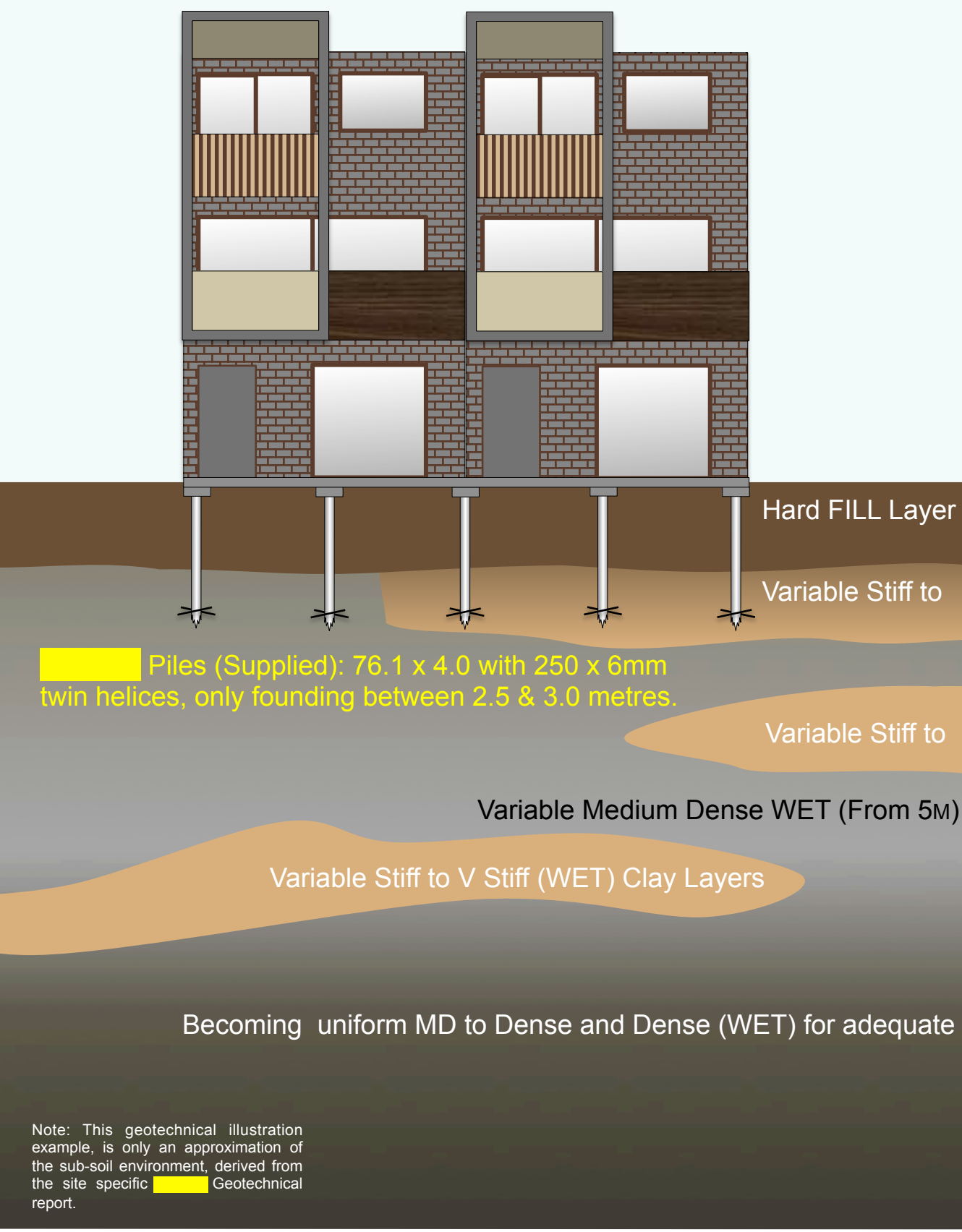
The end bearing sections of the piles are founded at or near the base of the hard fill layers, positioned above or in the deep weak layers - Refer to the attached illustrations sheet, Diagram A.

WE HOPE THIS INFORMATION PROVES INFORMATIVE & HELPFUL TO YOUR COMPANY, WHEN DISCUSSING PILE PERFORMANCE WITH YOUR PILE SUPPLIER FOUNDATIONS & THEIR CERTIFYING ENGINEERS



**Diagram A** – Foundations design, supplied & installed

**Diagram B** – Required Screw Pile Design to satisfy AS2159-2009





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*We Thank You For Your Interest*



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