# Amman Citadel Southern Slope Project

Topography, Geotechnical, Hydrology Study and Design

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#### **About the Study:**

The Amman Citadel Southern Slope Project is a collaborative effort between the Jordanian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities (MoTA), the Department of Antiquities (DoA) and USAID/SCHEP implemented by the American Center of Research (ACOR). Among the improvements initiated by USAID/SCHEP is the reconstruction of the main gate and the topology, hydrology, stability study and drainage design that is presented in this document. The aforementioned improvements were all financed by USAID. With improvements ongoing to open the southern gate for visitors in the near future, USAID/ACOR/SCHEP commenced the study to provide the DoA with the necessary information to conduct the improvements based upon sound engineering analysis, particularly the hydrology study. With rainfall a key ingredient in deterioration of historic structural stability, USAID/ACOR/SCHEP completed the study in January 2023 along with the design of the drainage configurations in February 2023. Pending the installation of the drainage system, this will relieve the water saturation problem and assist in securing the structural integrity of the existing structures and extend the life of the recent improvements including the USAID/ACOR/SCHEP Archaeological Field School excavations at the archway located in the lower section of the southern slope.



Figure 1- Amman Citadel – Southern Slope Area of Study (Circled in Red)





#### 1.1 Introduction

The main purpose of this study is to present the work and tests results of the geotechnical investigation, slope stability and hydrological study of the proposed project site.

The investigation is to determine the surface and subsurface ground conditions of the southern slope section of the Amman Citadel and to define the physical, mechanical engineering properties of the slope material; and to specify other characteristics such as the hydrological characteristics of the available strata. This will assist in assuring that all means are performed in order to achieve an adequate estimation and protection of the historical landmark. The method of investigation as follows:

- a) Research and collection of available information about geological features, surface topography, surface drainage and any other distinct structures encountered in the field during drilling.
- b) Drilling and sampling (disturbed and undisturbed samples) of four (4) Test pits and two (2) boreholes.
- c) Conducting the necessary field and laboratory tests.
- d) Conclusions and recommendations.

#### 1.2 Site Description

The area of study is part of the southern facade of the Amman Citadel

#### 1.3 General Geology

The materials described in this report are geologically related to Amman Silicified Limestone Formation (Santonian-Campanian) and is 50m thick in the study area. The formation covers broad areas of Amman city. This formation consists mainly of dark brown to grey thick bedded chert, silicified limestone, chalk, marl of dark brown to grey, thick bedded chert, silicified limestone, chalk, marl, siliceous coquina, cherty phosphate, brecciated chert, and tripoli. The formation was deposited in a shallow marine environment.

A geological map is shown in (figure no. 3).





**Table 1 - JEL Report Data** 

Company	Jordan Engineering Laborites		
Report No.	124/S-2022		
To	USAID/ACOR/SCHEP		
Village	Amman		
Plot No.	355		
Block No.	33/ALMADINA		
Date	31/12/2022		





# Topographical Survey





### 2.1 Topographical Survey:

The topographical elevations and contours is the basis for any hydrology and stability study. The survey of the southern slope established temporary benchmark elevations for near term use. For long term use, topographical mapping is important in recording the history of the site to document differences in physical changes of the landscape.

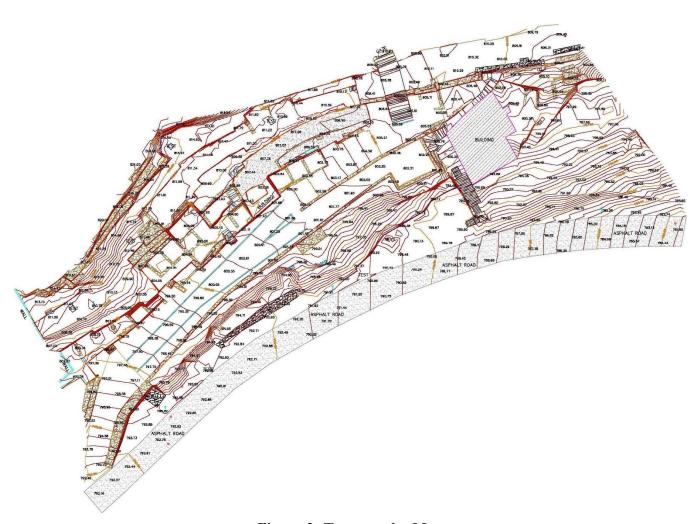


Figure 2- Topography Map

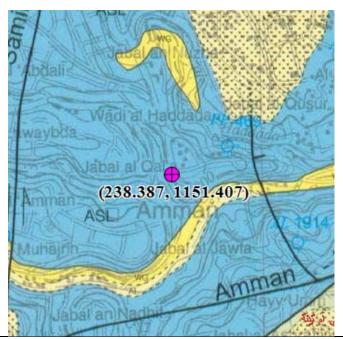




#### GELOGICAL MAP OF THE SITE

(Natural Resources Authority –map of) (scale 1: 50,000)





#### **LEGEND**

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· \$ · \$	Soil	The materials described below are geologically related to Amma Silicified Limestone Formation (Santonian-Campanian) is 50m				
Al	Alluvium	thick in the study area. The formation covers broad areas of				
PI	Pleistocene	Amman city. This formation consists mainly of dark brown to				
ci 🙀	Calcrete	grey thick bedded chert, silicified limestone, chalk, marl of dark brown to grey thick bedded chert, silicified limestone, chalk,				
AHP	Al Hisa Phosphorite	marl, siliceous coquina, and cherty phosphate, brecciated chert				
ASL	Amman Silicified	and Tripoli. The formation was deposited in a shallow marine				
WG	Wadi Umm Ghudran	environment.				
LM	Lisan Marl					
MCM	Muwaqqar Chalk Marl	1				
UT	Umm Tina	GEOLOGICAL SYMBOLS				
IR/UT	Iraq El Amir	Fault with downthrow Fault inferred/ uncertian				
MK	Mukherieris Sandstone	Fault inferred				
8	Basalt	Strike-slip fault				

Figure 3 - Geological Map





# Geotechnical Study





#### 3.1 Field Exploration and Drilling

On 12-Nov-2022, two (2) boreholes were drilled at the site as following:

Table 2 - Boreholes

BH No.	Depth (m)	Elevation
BH-1	15	792.92
BH-2	15	791.09

Bulk samples were collected from each meter depth and where Litho-logical changes of strata occur. Samples recovered were described and classified by our geological engineer and taken to the lab in watertight plastic bags for further testing. The drilling was executed using the rotary air flush method HW-412 Sampling core barrel and four inch bit hammer. These boreholes are good enough to supply the designer with sufficient information to the type of subsurface lithology and their characteristics. The field-testing included coring at 2m depth. A general site plan (Figure no.7) showing the boreholes location in the site is attached in Figure ,4 ,3 and5 . The subsurface profile is attached in (Figure no.3).

The logs of the boreholes showing the depth of each stratum and some other characteristics of it are attached in Table 2.

**Note:** There was no free ground water or cavities encountered until the bottom of the drilled boreholes.

#### 3.2 Laboratory Testing

Laboratory testing included water content determination and unconfined compression strength. Recommended procedures are in ASTM designation D2938-71a. All of the undisturbed samples were collected utilizing modified core recovery, as described in the Rock Quality Designation (RQD) by Deere (1963), as the method of measurement for these samples. The results of these tests are shown on the borehole logs in Figure 4 and Figure 5.





#### 3.3 Type of Material

The surface and subsurface materials after drilling has been geologically described. The first borehole (BH1) is located at Hashem Al-Kheir Street on the north side of the road in front of the local hotel. The second borehole (BH2) is located to the east on the north side of the road near a large archway on the southern slope. The descriptions are shown in the following Table no.3:

**Table 3 - Material Types and Properties** 

BH No	Depths m	Ground Materials
BH-1	0.0m To 4.0m	Backfill materials clayey silt mixed with gravels
BH-2	0.0m To 4.0m	and cobbles of limestone
BH-1	4.0m To 15.0m	Alternated layers of Yellowish beige hard marl,
BH-2	4.0m To 15.0m	Yellowish cream weak marlstone, white moderately weak fractured limestone and thin bands of grey chert

#### 3.4 Analysis of Tests Results

Safe bearing capacity test was performed to check the capacity of the soil to withstand loads. The ultimate and safe bearing capacity for soils in the boreholes is calculated using the number of blows from the standard penetration tests results, considering a factor of safety of three, depth of footing of 1.5 m (Terzaghi's equation).

**Table 4 - Safe Bearing Capacity** 

Description	Soft	Firm	Stiff	Hard
N	2-4	4-8	8-29	>29
$q_u$ (kg/cm)	0.25-0.50	0.50-1.00	1.00-4.00	>4.0





#### 3.5 Conclusions and Recommendations

The top soil material are composed of Back fill material clayey silt mixed with gravels and cobbles of limestone, extending from existing ground surface till 4.00 meters depth, followed by alternated layers of yellowish beige hard marl, yellowish cream weak marlstone, white moderately weak fractured limestone and thin bands of grey chert.

#### 3.6 The Coefficients of Earth Pressures

 $\gamma = \text{Unit weight of rock } (g/cm^3)$ 

 $C = \text{Cohesion of rock } (kg/cm^2)$ 

 $\phi =$  Angle of internal friction of rock.

 $K_a$  = Coefficient of active earth pressure =  $\frac{1-\sin\phi}{1+\sin\phi}$ 

Pa =  $0.5 * \gamma * H2*Ka (kg/cm^2)$ 

 $K_p =$ Coefficient of passive earth pressure = 1/Ka

 $\mu = \text{Poisson's ratio of soil.}$ 

 $K_o = \text{Coefficient of earth pressure at rest} = \frac{\mu}{1-\mu}$ . (Equation (13.4) ALAM SINGH. P398)

 $q_a =$  Allowable rock pressure (kg/cm<sup>2</sup>)

S.F= Safety factor

 $K_s = \text{Modulus of sub grade reaction} = 40*SF*q_a$  Bowles equation

 $\delta$  = Friction angle between structure & soil or rock<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bowles, J.E. (1997). *Foundation Analysis and Design*. International Edition. McGraw-Hill Publishing. (Table 11.6, p. 619)

<sup>16 |</sup> Topography, Geotechnical, Hydrology Study and Design





**Table 5 - Earth Pressure Factors** 

Material	Silty Clay	Marlstone
Y	1.56	2.2
C	0.6	0.1
Ø	33	36
Ka	0.295	0.260
P <sub>a</sub>	0.230	0.286
Kp	3.392	3.852
μ	0.3	0.18
K <sub>o</sub>	0.429	0.412
$\mathbf{q_a}$	1.2	2.4
S.F	3	18.5
Ks	144	1776
δ	22	24

**Table 6 - Modulus of Elasticity (KPa)** 

Material	Marl	Marlstone	Marly limestone	Limestone	Chert
$E_{s} = \frac{\Delta stress}{\Delta strain}$	750-1,250	4,000-55,000	55,000-65,000	65,000-80,000	75,000-100,000

#### 3.7 Boring Log Designation

**Total Core Recovery (TCR)** is the total length of the core recovered from a borehole as a percentage of the length of the borehole.

Rock Quality Designation (RQD) is a measure of quality of rock core taken from a borehole.

**Table 7 - Rock Quality Designation** 

Rock Quality	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
RQD Percent	0-25%	25-50%	50-75%	75-90%	90-100%





Standard Penetration Test (SPT) indicates the relative density of granular deposits.

**Table 8 - Standard Penetration Test** 

Relative Density	SPT Value	Bulk Density (kg/m³)
Very Loose	0–4	< 1,600
Loose	5–10	1,530–2,000
Medium	11–30	1,750–2,100
Dense	31–50	1,750–2,245
Very Dense	>50	>2,100





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Project: Amman Citadel						Boreh Depth		1	,		imates 276186	
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Locat	Location: -Plot:355 Elevation:792.92m Drilling Method: Ro						31.95604445					
е.	닭	g			≥ ~c	_	(%)	%				_
Depth (m)	Sampling	Legend	Detailed Soil and I	Rock Description	Density gm/cm <sup>3</sup>	TCR(%)	RQD (	mc %	SPT	blows	L.L(%)	P.LO
1 2 3	X		Back fill materials with gravels and co						22 23 24			
5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14			Alternated layers of hard marl, Yellow marlstone, white fractured limestone grey of the body of Boring	vish cream weak moderatly weak and thin bands of		81	66					
Keys: Ground Water Data: Not E										amnle	Keys	<u>.</u>
_		al core	recoverv	Depth while drilling						_	sample	
TCR: Total core recovery  RQD: Rock quality Designation  Depth while drilling:  Depth after drilling:												
SPT: Standard Pentration Test  SPT sample									9			

Figure 4 – Boring Log (BH-1)





Owne	q · A	COR-II	SAID SCHEP			Roreh	ole No	. 2		Coord	finates	
_	Project: Amman Citadel						15m		(	35.932		- 1
Location: -Plot355					Elevation:791.09m 31.95565532)					- 1		
					Drillin	g Meth	od : Ro	tary A	ir Flus	h		
Depth (m)	Sampling	Legend	Detailed Soil and Rock Descrip	ption	Density gm/cm³	TCR(%)	RQD (%)	mc %	SPT	blows	L.L(%)	P.L0
1 2 3	X	한 한	Back fill materials clayey silt mi with gravels and cobbles of limes						23 24 25			
5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14			Alternated layers of Yellowish b hard marl, Yellowish cream we marlstone, white moderatly we fractured limestone and thin band grey chert	eak eak		88	62					
			End of Boring									
Keys: Ground Water Data: Not Exist										ample		
1	TCR: Total core recovery Depth while drilling:								III	core s	sample	е
	RQD: Rock quality Designation   Depth after drilling:											
SPT:	SPT: Standard Pentration Test SPT sample											

Figure 5 - Boring Log (BH-2)





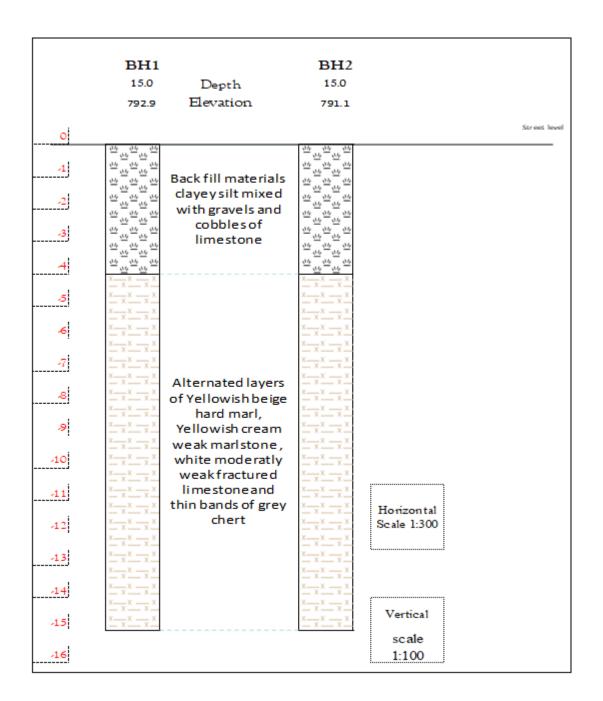


Figure 6 - Subsurface Profile (BH-1 and BH-2)





# **Test Pits**





### **4.1 Test Pit Description**

Four Test Pits were excavated at locations shown in Drawing SR-01. Samples were taken from each test pit and tested as per Standard Test Methods for Liquid limit, Plastic limit, and Plasticity Index for Soil (ASTM D4318-17) to determine the soil classification and parameters for each test pit

### 4.2 Field Exploration and Drilling

**Table 9 - Test Pit Soil Description** 

Test Pit No.	Ground Material	Date
Test Pit-1	Backfill silty clayey materials with gravels and	11th-Nov-2022
Test Pit-2	cobbles	11th-Nov-2022
Test Pit-3		13th-Nov-2022
Test Pit-4		14th-Nov-2022





# Standard Test Methods for Liquid Limit, Plastic Limit, and Plasticity Index for Soil (ASTM D4318-17)





#### **5.1 Test Pits Profile**

The locations of the required samples associated with the stability study made it impossible to utilize a drilling rig. This coupled with the matrix of the soil left the only feasible remaining option of hand excavated test pits. The location of the test pits can be found on Drawing SR-01.

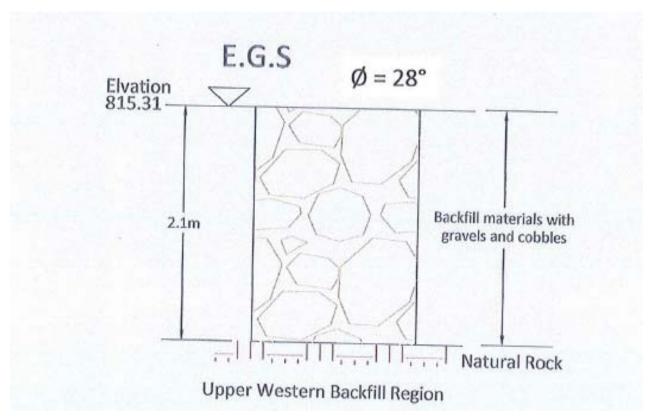


Figure 7 - Test Pit 1 Profile





### **Table 10 - Test Pit Sample**

# فحص تدرج التربة بالمناخل C136-19) ASTM) (ASTM D1140-2017)

تاريخ الادخال :	رقم التقرير الفني :	رقم الادخال : 23/R
تاريخ الفحص:	23/R/2023	المختبر: التربة- المواد الخام-الخرسانة

**LOCATION** BH-1 (0.0---3.0)M

Material For :	Reddish brown medium plastic silty clay with gravels
Weight of dry	

sample= 17855

weight of sample after washing=

12713

Sieve		Weight Retained	Percent Passing			
		(gm)	(%)	SPECIFICATION		
Size	Opening (mm)	(gm)	(%)			
No.4	4.75	8302.6	54			
10	2.00	9945.2	44			
40	0.43	11391.5	36			
200	0.075	12712.8	29			

Classification Of Soil (A-2-6)

ملاحظات:

شهادة معايرة الميزان رقم: 6200/22

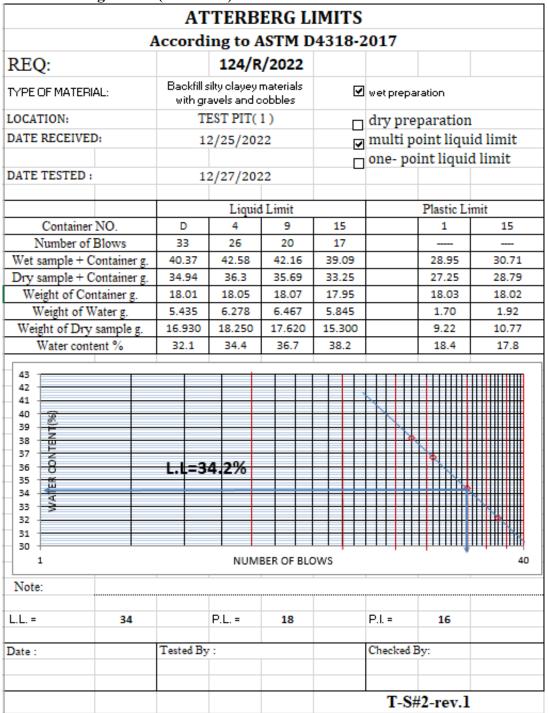
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**Table 11 - Atterberg Limits (Test Pit 1)** 







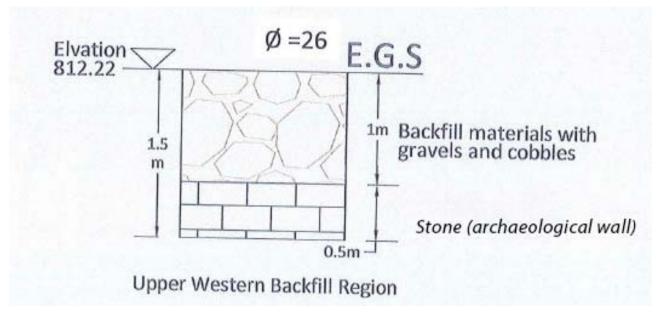


Figure 8 - Test Pit 2 Profile





# **Table 12 - Test Pit 2 Sample**

		اخل	حص تدرج التربة بالمن	<u>.</u>		
			ASTM C136-19)			
		(AS	STM D1140-2017	)		
12/25/2022		تاريخ الادخال :	رقم التقرير الفعي :		124/R	رقم الادخال :
12/27/2022		تاريخ الفحص:	124/R/202	2	الخام-الخوسانة	المختبر: التربة- المواد ا
LOCAT	ION		TEST PIT	Γ(3)		
Material Fo	or:	Backfill s	ilty clayey materials	with grav	els and c	obbles
Weight of	dry sample=	18914	weight of sample	after was	hing=	12578
Sieve		Weight Retained (gm)	Percent Passing (%)	SPECIFICATION		
Size	Opening (mm)	(gm)	(%)	31	LCITIC	ATION
No.4	4.75	7130.6	62			
10	2.00	9910.9	48			
40	0.43	11556.5	39			
200	0.075	12577.8	34			
		Classificatio O	f Soil ( A-2-6 )			ملاحظات:
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	التاريخ:		التوقيع:			ندقيق:
					T-AGG#6	REV.1





**Table 13 - Atterberg Limits (Test Pit 2)** 

		AT	TERB	ERG L	IMITS			
	Α	ccordi	ng to A	STM D	4318-2	2017		
REQ:			124/R	/2022				
TYPE OF MATE	ERIAL:		ilty clayey n avels and c		•	wet pre	paration	1
3		T	EST PIT (	3)	П	dry pre	paration	
DATE RECEIVE	D:	1	2/25/202	22			- oint liqui	
							int liqui	
DATE TESTED	:	1	2/27/202	22		•		
			Liquid	1 Limit			Plastic L	imit
Container	r NO.	1A	2	3			5	6
Number of	Blows	32	25	20				
Wet sample + C	Container g.	40.85	42.90	42.55			29.32	31.18
Dry sample + C		35.23	36.26	35.66			27.27	28.83
Weight of Co	ntainer g.	18.3	18.01	18.04			18.05	18.06
Weight of V	Vater g.	5.621	6.643	6.889			2.05	2.35
Weight of Dry		16.930	18.250	17.620			9.22	10.77
Water con	tent %	33.2	36.4	39.1			22.2	21.8
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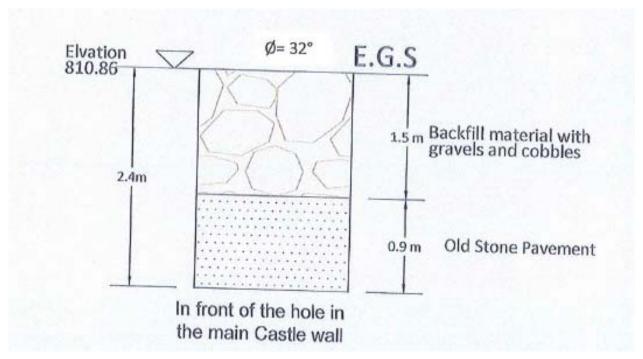


Figure 9 - Test Pit 3 Profile





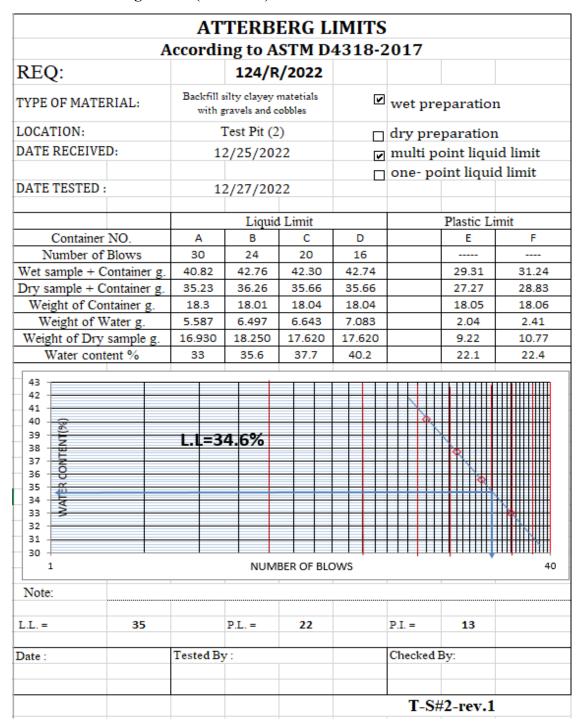
#### **Table 14 - Test Pit 3 Sample**

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or:	Backfill s	silty clayey matetials	with g	ravels and	cobbles	
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4.75	7705	51				
2.00	8844	44				
0.43	10727	32				
0.075	11376	28				
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**Table 15 - Atterberg Limits (Test Pit 3)** 







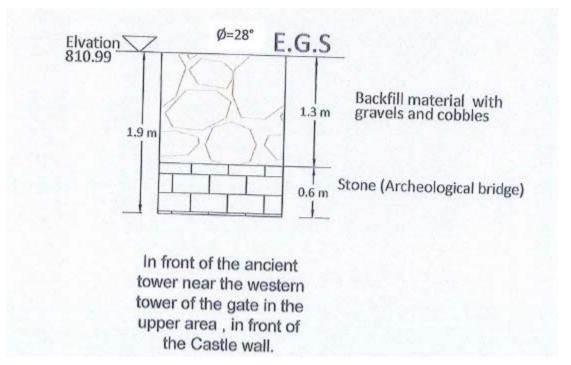


Figure 10 - Test Pit 4 Profile





# **Table 16 - Test Pit 4 Sample**

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12/27/2022		تاريخ الفحص:	124/R/2022		تبر: التربة- المواد الخام-الخرس			
LOCATION		TEST PIT(3)						
Material F	or:	Backfill si	ilty clayey matetials		gravels an	d cobbl	es	
Weight of dry sample=		18914	weight of sample					
Sieve		Weight Retained (gm)	Percent Passing (%)	SPECIFICATION				
Size	Opening (mm	(gm)	(%)	SI Len lention				
No.4	4.75	7130.6	62					
10	2.00	9910.9	48					
40	0.43	11556.5	39					
200	0.075	12577.8	34					
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**Table 17 - Atterberg Limits (Test Pit 4)** 

				ERG L STM D					
REQ:		Accord	_	31M1 D	<b>/4</b> 310-2	017			
TYPE OF MATERIAL:		Backfill silty clayey materials with gravels and cobbles			•	wet preparation			
LOCATION:		TEST PIT(4)				dry preparation			
DATE RECEIVED:		12/25/2022				multi point liquid limit			
						one- point liquid limit			
DATE TESTED :		12/27/2022					_		
			Lionió	Limit			Plastic L	imit	
Containe	r NO.	12	Liquid Limit 12 13 14				20	23	
Number of		34	28	19					
Wet sample + Container g.		40.75	43.60	43.11			29.28	30.98	
Dry sample + Container g.		34.96	36.85	35.67			27.31	28.79	
Weight of Co	18.03	18.6	18.05			18.09	18.02		
Weight of		5.790	6.753	7.436			1.97	2.19	
Weight of Dry sample g. Water content %		16.930 34.2	18.250 37.0	17.620 42.2			9.22 21.4	10.77 20.3	
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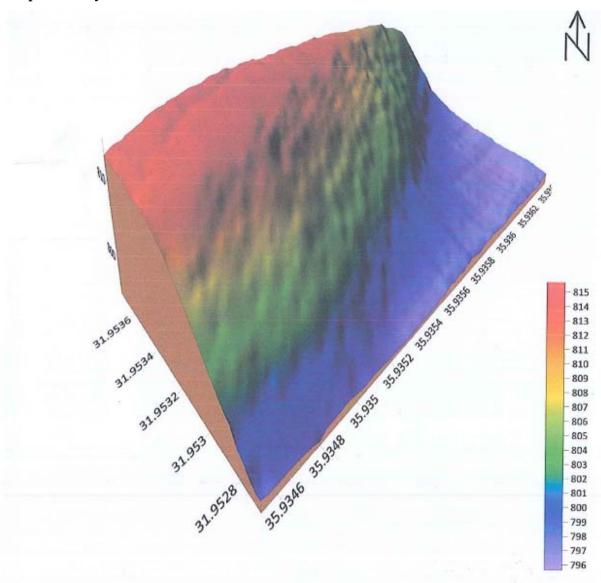


# Slope Stability Study





### 6.1 Slope Stability 3D Elevations



**Figure 11 - Slope Stability 3D Elevations** 





#### **6.2 Test Pits (Classification Study)**

Slope Stability

Depending on the test pits study results and the topographic measures; the slope stability is calculated as follows:

Slope = Difference in elevation

Horizontal Distance

#### Test Pit No. 1

Slope = 
$$\underbrace{(815.65-814.97)}_{5.983}$$
 \*100

Slope = 11.37%

 $\emptyset = 28^{\circ}$ , from laboratory results

Recommendation: Slope is Safe

#### Test Pit No. 2

Slope = 
$$\underbrace{(812.22-811)}_{4.03}$$
 \*100

Slope = 30.2

 $\emptyset$ = 32°, from laboratory results

 $30.2 < 32^{\circ}$  Safe

Recommendation: The slope can be relieved to be less than 25°

#### Test Pit No. 3

Slope = 
$$(811.02-810.1)$$
 \*100  $\frac{}{5.86}$ 





Slope = 15.7

 $\emptyset = 26^{\circ}$ , from laboratory results

15.7 < 26° — Safe

Recommendation: Slope is Safe

#### Test Pit No. 4

Slope = 
$$\underbrace{(812.5-810.5)}_{8.76}$$
 \*100

Slope = 22.8

 $\emptyset$ = 28°, from laboratory results

22.8 < 28° — Safe

Recommendation: Slope is Safe





## Jordan Seismic Zones Jordan Code for Earthquakes





#### 7.1 Earthquake Recommendation

The site is located within zone (2A) of the Jordan earthquake map. According to the map (12) from Jordan code for earthquakes (see Figure 12):

The soil profile is described as SC from table (1-2).

Z: the coefficient of the earthquake zone = 0.15 from table (2-2).

Ca: coefficient of earthquake = 0.18 from table (3-2).

Cv: coefficient of earthquake = 0.25 from table (4-2).

We suggest that the structural engineer take into consideration the above factors, and any future effect due to earthquakes, especially with regard to the footing system.





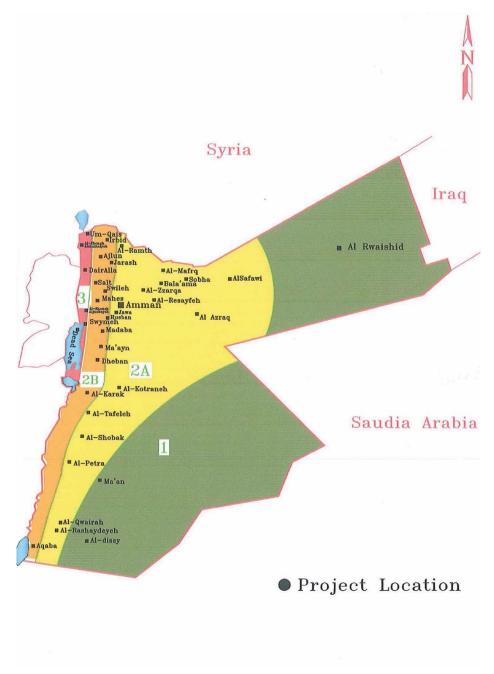


Figure 12- Seismicity and Earthquake Map





## ٢/٣/٢ حيولوجية الموقع وصفات التربة:

يُعــين نوع مقطع التربة لكل موقع بناء على بيانات حيوتقنية موثقة وحسب تصنيف المواقع المبيّن في المادة (٩/٢)، والجدول (١-١)، وفي حال عدم معرفة خصائص التربة بالتفصيل الكافي لتحديد نوع مقطع التربة فيجب استخدام النوع (S<sub>D</sub>).

## الجدول (٢-١): أنواع مقطع التربة

نوع اسم مقطع التو بقطع الوصف العا لتربة	سرعة امواج الغص $\overline{v}_s$ الغص $\overline{v}_s$ (م/ثانية)	التربة في مسافة (30) متراً العلوبة م فحص الاختراق المياري (N) (أو (NcH) لطبقات التربة المفككة) (عدد الضربات/(۳۰۰) مم)	مقارمة القص بدون تصریف (آق) (کیلو باسکال)
SA صحر قاس	>1500		
Sn enter	760-1500		
So طري	360-760	> 50	> 100
So مقطع تربة صلدة	180-360	15-50	50-100
SE مقطع تربة طرية	< 180	< 15	< 50
Se ترية تتطلب تقييماً ع	وقع، أنظر البند (٢/	.(١/٩).	

أ يتضمن نـــوع مقطع التربة (SE) أي نــوع مقطع نــربة يزيد فيه عمق النربة الطينية عن (3) أمتار مع (PI>20) و (Wmc≥40%) و (Su <25) كياو باسكال. ويتم تحديد دليل اللدونة ونسبة محتوى الرطوبة وفقاً للمقايس الموطنية المعتمدة.</p>

## ٣/٣/٢ الخطورة الزلزالية للموقع:

## (أ) المنطقة الزلزالية:

تُعــيّن المنطقة الزلزالية للموقع حسب الشكل (٢-١). ويُعــين عامل المنطقة الزلزالية (Z) لكل منشأ حسب الجندول (٢-٢).

## (ب) معاملات التجاوب الزازالي:

يُعين المعامل الزلزالي المنسوب للنسارع (Ca) لكل منشأ حسب الجدول (٣-٢).





## الجارول (٢-٢): عامل المنطقة الزلزالية (Z)

3	2B	2A	1	المنطقة
0.30	0.20	0.15	0.075	Z

ملاحظة: يجب تحديد المنطقة من خارطــة التقسيم الزلزالي في الشكل (١-٢).

## الجدول (٢-٣): المعامل الزلزالي (Ca)

Z = 0.3'	Z = 0.2	Z = 0.15	7 0 075	نوع مقطع التربة
		-	Z = 0.075	101
0.24	0.16	0.12	0.06	SA
0.30	0.20	0.15	0.08	S <sub>B</sub>
0.33	0.24	0.18	0.09	Sc
0.36	0.28	0.22	0.12	S <sub>D</sub>
0.36	0.34	0.30	0.19	S <sub>E</sub>
			يجب إحراء تحر. لتحديد المعاملات	S <sub>F</sub>

## الجلول (٢-٤): المعامل الزلزالي (Cv)

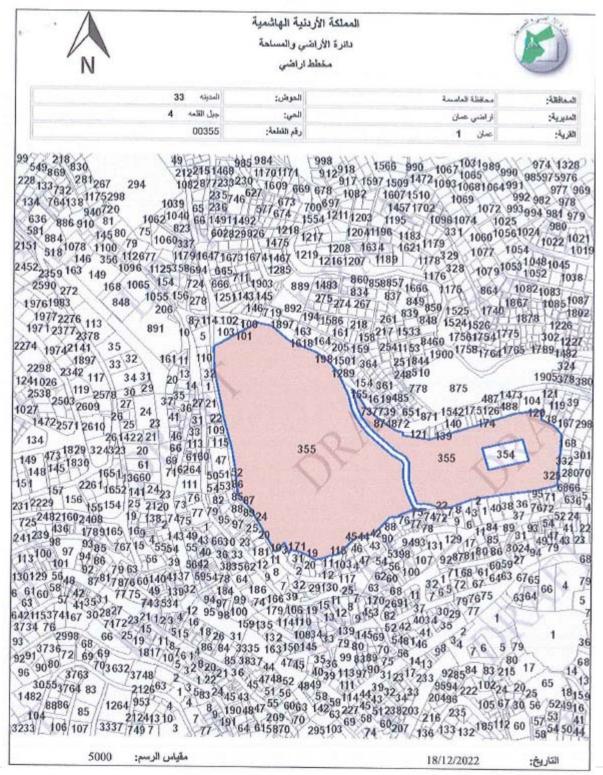
Z = 0.3	Z = 0.2	Z = 0.15	Z = 0.075	
0.24	0.16	0.12	0.06	SA
0.30	0.20	0.15	0.08	S <sub>B</sub> .
0.45	0.32	0.25	0.13	Sc
0.54	0.40	0.32	0.18	Sp
0.84	0.64	0.50	0.26	SE
			يجب إجراء تحريا	SF

## ٤/٣/٢ فئات الإشغال:

لأغسراض التصميم لمقاومة الزلازل، يُصنّف كل منشأ في إحدى فئات الإشغال السواردة في الجدول (٢-٥)، ويُعين عامل الأهمية (١) لكامل المنشأ و(١٥) للجزء أو العنصر في المنشأ كما هو مبيّن لكل فئة.













## المملكة الأردنية الهاشمية دائرة الأراضي والمساحة إحداثيات النقاط المحيطة بالقطعة

المحافظة:	محافظة العاصمة	الحوض:	المدينه 033	
المديرية:	اراضي عمان	الحي:	چیل القلعه	
القرية:	عمان 0001	رقم القطعة:	00355	

	الوصف	إحداثي 🗙	إحداثي ٢
	تسوية / اسود	238387.76	1151407.56
	غير معرف	238434.832	1151370.836
	غير معرف	238342.91	1151531.9
	تسوية / اسود	238342.91	1151531.9
	تسوية / اسود	238450.6	1151352.29
	تبنوية / انبود	238450.6	1151352.29
	تمبوية / اسود	238464.79	1151349.21
	تسوية / اسود	238494.45	1151335.19
	تسوية / اسود	238522.34	1151342.55
1	تسوية / اسود	238543.58	1151351.08
1	تسوية / اسود	238615.8	1151396.75
1	تموية / اسود	238630.28	1151412.16
1	غير معرف	238643.956	1151412.695
1	تسوية / اسود	238671.15	1151422.44
1	اأراز / احدر	238771.202	1151574.363
1	ثموية / امود	238902.85	1151590.482
1	تسوية / اسود	238904.14	1151465.75
1	الخراز / احمر	238914.573	1151584.566
1	تسرية / اسود	238924.568	1151580.109
2	تسوية / اسود	238932.92	1151473.2
2	افراز / احمر	238937,796	1151536.666
2	تُصوية / اسود	238309.59	1151675.44
2	غير معرف	238318.939	1151677.029
2	تسوية / اسود	238523.96	1151341.76
2	تسوية / اسود	238539.01	1151346.07
20	تسوية / اسود	238551.96	1151359.17
27	صوية / اسود	238600.85	1151381,75
28	ئسوية / اسود	238600.85	1151381.75
29	تسوية / اسود	238605.58	1151386.66





## Hydrological study





## 8.1 Description of the Area

The Amman Citadel is one of the most significant historical sites in the city. It is located along King Ali bin al-Hussein Street on a hill that provides views of Amman's center as shown in Figure 1. It is an exceptionally rich archaeological site with monuments.

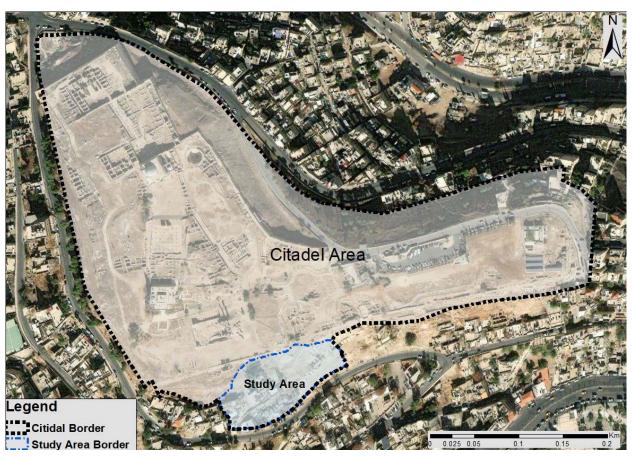


Figure 13 - Study Area





#### 8.2 Catchment Area

The catchment area that discharges storm water runoff toward the southern area of Amman Citadel as shown in Figure 14 was delineated from available digital elevation model files, with a total area of about 2.57 hectare (25,700 m<sup>2</sup>), the characteristics of the catchment are presented in Table 19.



Figure 14 - Catchment Area of Southern Area of Jabal Al Qala'a

**Table 18 - Catchment Area Characteristics** 

		Maximum flow distance (m)		-	Number	0	Time of Concentration (Min)
	2.57	429	822	0.16	69	3.2	5.4





#### **8.3** The Observations from Site Visit

The existing stormwater drainage is made up of grates that drain water into drainage pipes that free discharge the water to the study area of (Figure 15).



**Figure 15 - Stormwater Drain Grates** 

#### 8.4 Objectives of The Hydrology Study

The hydrology study conducted for the project estimated the stormwater runoff that would be generated by the catchment area under various storm return periods.

The following principles formed the foundation for the hydrological study:

• Rainfall analysis: This study examined the rainfall statistics that are now available and used statistical analysis to extrapolate the data to storms with extreme values, such as the storm with a 100-year return period.





- Models for simulating rainfall and runoff were used to transform rainfall to runoff.
- The simulation models were used to generate runoff hydrographs, which are then utilized to estimate the peak flow rates and quantities of stormwater runoff.

#### 8.5 Rainfall Data Analysis

Roads and properties are protected from frequent floods by storm water drainage systems. Such flooding may result from runoff from catchments that contribute drainage flows toward the targeted properties or from rain directly falling on the property. This study quantifies the catchment area that contributes to the Southern Area of Amman Citadel and recommends a drainage approach to enhance site drainage.

#### 8.6 Storm Return Period

Return period is the average number of year between storm events equal to and exceeding the design storm. The 10, 25, 50 and 100-year return period will be investigated for the Southern Area of Amman Citadel area.

#### 8.7 Rainfall Gage Station

The Amman Hussein College station was adopted for this study. Daily rainfall data were collected from Jordan's Water Authority from 1987 to 2019. The daily record was used to determine the Maximum Daily Rainfall for the Amman Hussein College station, and statistical analysis were done on these records. The maximum daily rainfall at Amman Hussein College station is shown in the Figure 16 and Table 20.





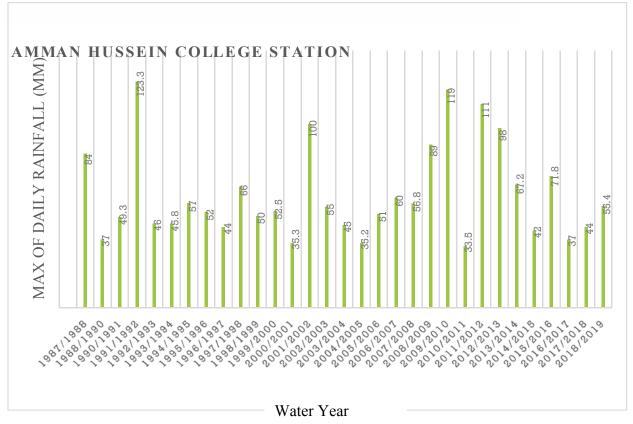


Figure 16 - The Maximum Daily Rainfall for Amman Hussein College Station





**Table 19 - The Maximum Daily Rainfall for Amman Hussein College Station** 

Water Year	Max of Daily Rainfall (mm)
1987/1988	84
1988/1990	37
1990/1991	49
1991/1992	123
1992/1993	46
1993/1994	46
1994/1995	57
1995/1996	52
1996/1997	44
1997/1998	66
1998/1999	50
1999/2000	53
2000/2001	35
2001/2002	100
2002/2003	55
2003/2004	45
2004/2005	35
2005/2006	51
2006/2007	60
2007/2008	57
2008/2009	89
2009/2010	119
2010/2011	34
2011/2012	111
2012/2013	98
2013/2014	67
2014/2015	42
2015/2016	72
2016/2017	37
2017/2018	44
2018/2019	55





Based on records from past years, the maximum 24-hour rainfall depth for each water year (October to May) were determined and ranked in order to determine how frequently they will be exceeded. The probability of exceedance for the 24-hour rainfall depth is shown in the Figure 16.

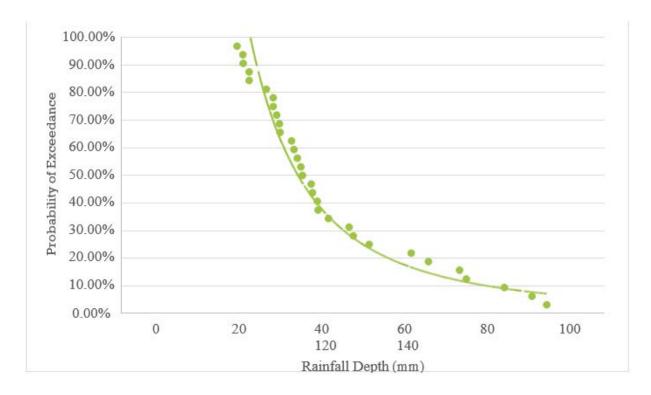


Figure 17 - 24-Hour Rainfall Exceedance Probability for Amman Hussein College Station

The 24-hour maximum rainfall depth for the 10, 25 and 50 and 100 year return period was estimated using the Exponential distribution by Hyfran Plus Software as shown in Figure 18 and the Table 21.





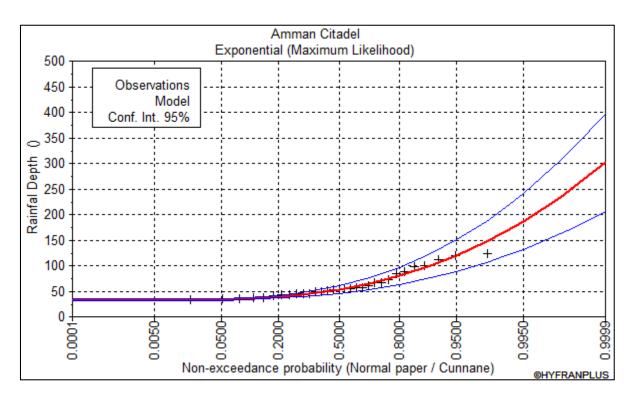


Figure 18 - Statistical Distribution using Hyfran Software for Amman Hussein College Station

Table 20 - 24-Hour Rainfall Depth for Amman Hussein College station

Return Period (Year)	Rainfall depth (mm)
10	100
25	126
50	147
100	167





#### 8.8 Rainfall-Runoff Modeling

The unit hydrograph method was adopted to determine the peak discharges and volumes of runoff for the catchment area that discharges flow toward South Area of Amman Citadel.

#### 8.9 The Unit Hydrograph Theory

The unit hydrograph theory is based on the property of proportionality and the principle of superposition. The linearity of a watershed assumes that

- Rainfall excesses of equal duration produce hydrographs with equivalent time bases, and
- Direct runoff ordinates are directly proportional to rainfall excess volumes.

These linear assumptions are useful because they are relatively simple and are the best developed methods, and the results obtained are acceptable for hydrological simulation purposes.

Unit hydrographs are produced for gaged watersheds from historical records and are then applied to predict the basin's response to design storm events. However, when stream flow data are not available to develop the unit hydrograph, other methods can be applied to relate hydrograph peak flow and timing to basin characteristics. These are normally referred to as Synthetic Unit Hydrographs.

For this study the SCS dimensionless unit hydrograph method was used to develop synthetic unit hydrographs.

#### 8.10 Soil Conservation Service (SCS) Method

L = 0.6 tc

Where:

L is the basin lag time

tc is the time of concentration

The time of concentration is the time of equilibrium, at which time the whole catchment contributes to flow at the outfall.





A number of equations were developed by researchers to estimate the time of concentration for different basins and boundary conditions. For this study, the Kirpich equation was used in estimating the time of concentration as follows:

tc = 0.0195 L0.77 S-0.385

tc = Time of concentration (min);

L = Length of channel from headwater to outlet (m);

S = Average watershed slope (m/m), which is the difference in elevation between the outlet and the most remote point divided by the length (L).

#### 8.11 Application of The Unit Hydrograph Theory

The Unit hydrograph is used to compute the design discharge of a watershed as follows:

- A. Develop Design Precipitation Hyetographs: The design hyetograph was developed from the Intensity-Duration-Frequency (IDF) curves using the Alternate Block Method. The design hyetograph produced by this method specifies the precipitation depth occurring in n successive time intervals of duration  $\Delta t$  over a total duration  $T = n \Delta t$ . After selecting the design return period, the intensity is read from the IDF curves for each of the durations  $\Delta t$ ,  $2 \Delta t$ ,  $3 \Delta t$ , etc., and the corresponding precipitation depth found as the product of intensity and duration. By taking differences between successive precipitation depth values, the amount of precipitation to be added for each additional unit of time  $\Delta t$  is found. These increments, or blocks, are re-ordered into a time sequence with the maximum intensity occurring in the center of the required duration T, and the remaining blocks arranged in descending order alternately to the right and left of the central block to form the design hyetograph.
- B. Compute Rainfall Excess: The rainfall excess is the resulting rainfall after accounting for losses due to precipitation and infiltration. The rainfall excess was computed using the SCS Curve Number Method, which abstracts initial loss.
- C. Cumulative rainfall excess as a function of cumulative precipitation is calculated using the following equations:

S = (1000 / CN) - 10

Where S is the potential abstraction in inches.

Ia = 0.2 S

Where Ia is the initial abstraction in inches, and in this project, it will be assumed to equal zero.





$$R = (P-Ia) 2 / (P - Ia + S)$$

Where:

R = Rainfall Excess (in) P = Precipitation (in) Infiltration = P - R

A. Sub-basin Runoff Calculation: Computation of runoff from the sub-basin was carried out by applying the convolution equation. In this process, the unit hydrograph ordinates are multiplied by the rainfall excess and added and lagged in sequence to produce the resulting storm hydrograph. The discrete convolution equation can be written in the following form:

$$Q_n = \sum_{m=1}^{n \le M} P_m U_{n-m+1}$$

B. Baseflow Calculation: The baseflow of the catchments in the study area is either zero or negligible compared with the direct runoff of the design storm, which dominates the peak of the hydrograph, and as such it will not be added to the storm hydrograph.

#### 8.12 Runoff Coefficients

The SCS Curve Number Method requires soils types to assess infiltration versus runoff percentages. Soil properties influence the process of generation of runoff from rainfall and they must be considered in the runoff estimation. The SCS defined four hydrologic soil groups (A, B, C and D) as given in Table 16.

**Table 21 - The SCS Hydrologic Soil Groups** 

Soil Group	Description
A	Deep sand, deep loess, aggregated silts group
В	Shallow loess, sandy loam
С	Clay loams, shallow sandy loam, soils low in organic content, and
D	Soils that swell significantly when wet, heavy plastic clays





The Soil types of catchments areas are defined based on online maps of the Harmonized World Soil Database v 1.2, the hydrologic soil group "B" is adopted for the study area as shown in Figure 18, the runoff curve number CN=69 is adopted for the site conditions from Table 17.

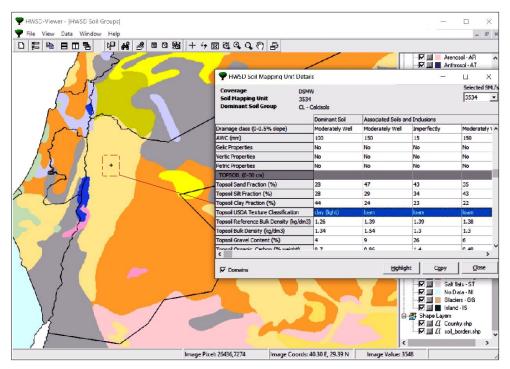


Figure 19 - Soil Type Classification of the Catchment Area





**Table 22 - Runoff Curve Numbers** 

Land Use Description		Hye	irologic	Soil Gr	oup
		A	В	C	D
Cultivated land1: witho	ut conservation treatment	72	81	88	91
with o	conservation treatment	62	71	78	81
Pasture or range land: p	oor condition	68	79	86	89
8	good condition	39	61	74	80
Meadow: good condition	n	30	58	71	78
Wood or forest land: th	in stand, poor cover, no mulch	45	66	77	83
go	ood cover2	25	55	70	77
Open Spaces, lawns, pa	arks, golf courses, cemeteries, etc.				
good condition: gr	ass cover on 75% or more of the area	39	61	74	80
fair condition: gra	ss cover on 50% to 75% of the area	49	69	79	84
Commercial and business areas (85% impervious)			92	94	95
Industrial districts (72%	impervious)	81	88	91	93
Residential3:					
Average lot size	Average % impervious4				
1/8 acre or less	65	77	85	90	92
1/4 acre	38	61	75	83	87
1/3 acre	30	57	72	81	86
1/2 acre	25	54	70	80	85
I acre	20	51	68	79	84
Paved parking lots, roo	fs, driveways, etc.5	98	98	98	98
Streets and roads:					
paved with curbs and	storm sewers5	98	98	98	98
gravel		76	85	89	91
dirt		72	82	87	89





#### 8.13 Simulation of Software

The generation of runoff from rainfall will be modeled using the HEC-HMS software, developed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

### 8.14 Runoff Quantities

Using HEC-HMS software, the flood hydrographs were calculated for the various return periods. The following Table 6 summarizes the flow calculations results, and the figures below show the generated hydrographs for the different return periods.

**Table 23 - Flow Calculations Results** 

Return Period (year )	Peak discharge (Q) m <sup>3</sup> /s	Volume 1000 m <sup>3</sup>
10	0.2	0.8
25	0.4	1.3
50	0.5	1.7
100	0.6	2.1





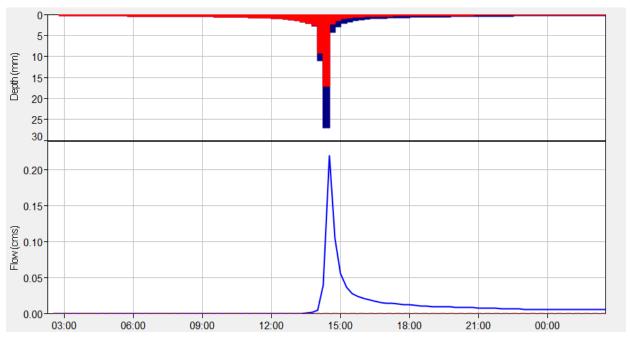


Figure 21 - 10 Year Return Periods Hydrograph

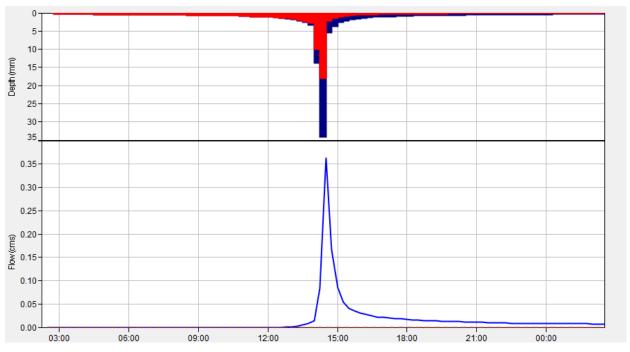


Figure 20 - 25 Year Return Periods Hydrograph





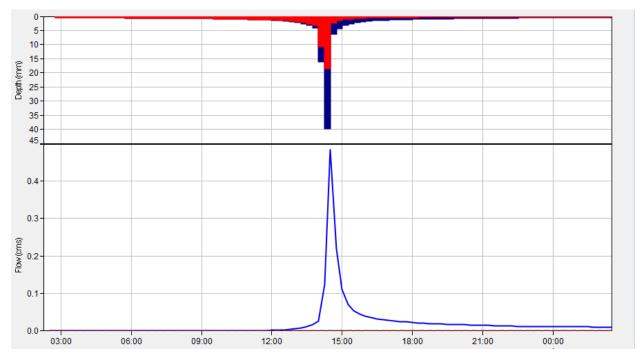


Figure 23 - 50 Year Return Periods Hydrograph

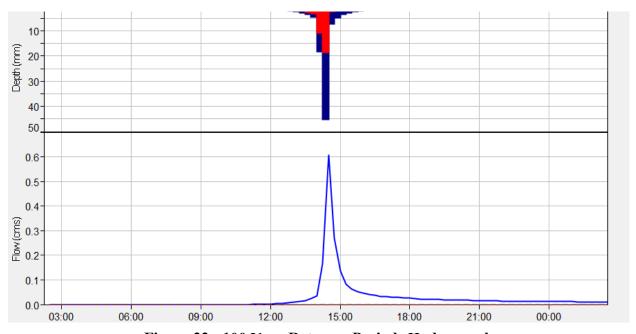


Figure 22 - 100 Year Rete run Periods Hydrograph





## 8.15 Runoff Quantities for the Sub Catchment of the Study Area

The study area is affected by the storm water runoff generated from the sub catchment area which delineated from available digital elevation model, the sub catchment area is shown in the Figure 23 and the characteristics of the catchment are presented in Table 19.



Figure 24 - Sub Catchment Area

**Table 24 - Catchment Area Characteristics** 

Sub Catchment Area	Area (ha)	Maximum flow distance (m)	Mean Basin Elevation (m)	Slope (m/m)	Curve Number	U	Time of Concentration( Min)
	0.7	267	828	0.1	69	1.8	3.0





Using HEC-HMS software, the flood hydrographs were calculated for the sub catchment area for the various return periods. The following Table 8 summarizes the flow calculations results, and the figures below show the generated hydrographs for the different return periods.

Table 25 - Flow Calculations Results for the Sub Catchment Area

Return Period (year )	Peak discharge (Q) m <sup>3</sup> /s	Volume 1000 m <sup>3</sup>
10	0.06	0.217
25	0.097	0.341
50	0.129	0.541
100	0.162	0.561

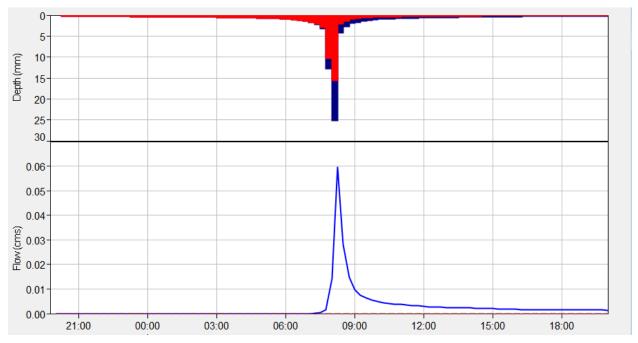


Figure 25 - 10 Year Return Periods Hydrograph





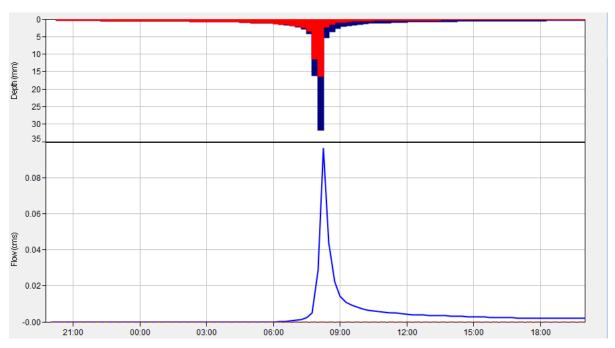
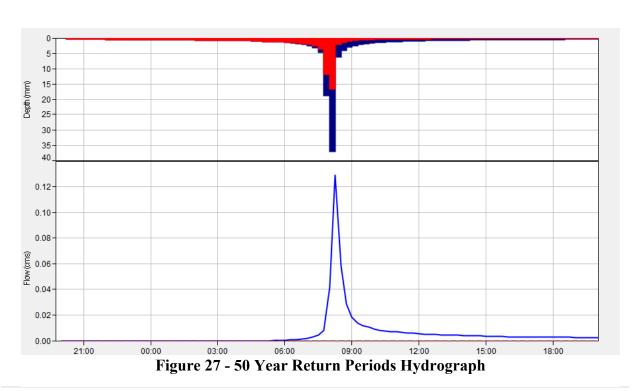


Figure 26 - 25 Year Return Periods Hydrograph



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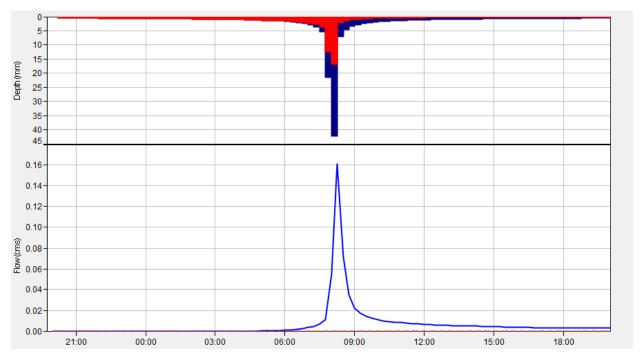


Figure 28 - 100 Year Return Periods Hydrograph





#### **8.16 Proposed Mitigation Measures**

Based on the results of the pre mentioned hydrological analysis there is a major and a minor stream that passes in the study area that needed to be drained by suitable hydraulic structure to ensure the study area protection.

The mitigation measures are to drain flood of 25 Yr. return period and checked against 50 Yr. return period resulting from the flood streams.

The proposed mitigation measures are summarized as following:

#### **Option 1a (shown in blue)**

• Proposing a Main rectangular channel to drain the 25 Yr. flood of the catchment area to mitigate the flood toward the study area, the channel dimensions are 0.7 m width, 0.3 m depth with approximate length of 150 m and the construction slope shall not be less than 1%, the path of the proposed channel is shown in Figure 17 and the calculations results of the used Software Flow Master are presented Table 10.

#### Option 1b (shown in red)

• Proposing a secondary rectangular channel to drain the 25 Yr. flood of the sub—catchment area to mitigate the flood toward the study area, the channel dimensions are 0.4m width, 0.2 m depth with approximate length of 170 m and the construction slope shall not be less than 1%, the path of the proposed channel is shown in Figure 20 and the calculations results of the used Software Flow Master are presented Table 9.





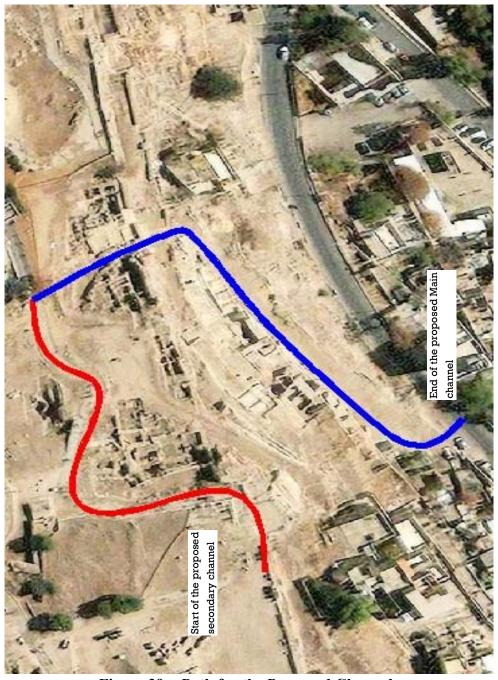


Figure 29 - Path for the Proposed Channels





Table 27 - Calculations for the Proposed Main Rectangular Channel for 25 Yr. Flood Eventd

Workshee	t for Proposed Secondary Ro	ectangular Channel
Project Description		
Friction Method	Manning Formula	
Solve For	Discharge	
Input Data		
Roughness Coefficient	0.013	
Channel Slope	0.010 m/m	
Normal Depth	0.2 m	
Bottom Width	0.40 m	
Results		
Discharge	0.13 m³/s	
Flow Area	0.1 m <sup>2</sup>	
Wetted Perimeter	0.8 m	
Hydraulic Radius	0.1 m	
Top Width	0.40 m	
Critical Depth	0.2 m	
Critical Slope	0.007 m/m	
Velocity	1.66 m/s	
Velocity Head	0.14 m	
Specific Energy	0.34 m	
Froude Number	1.183	
Flow Type	Supercritical	



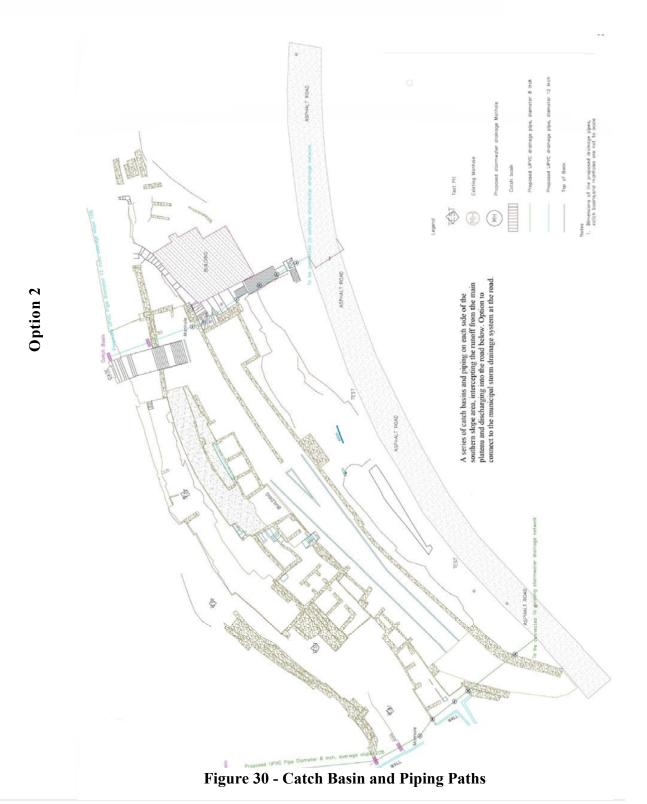


#### Table 28 - Calculations for the Proposed Main Rectangular Channel for 25 Yr. Flood Event

#### **Worksheet for Proposed Main Rectangular Channel Project Description** Manning Friction Method Formula Discharge Solve For Input Data Roughness Coefficient 0.013 Channel Slope 0.010 m/m Normal Depth 0.3 m Bottom Width 0.70 m Results Discharge 0.49 m<sup>3</sup>/s Flow Area 0.2 m<sup>2</sup> Wetted Perimeter 1.3 m Hydraulic Radius 0.2 m Top Width 0.70 m Critical Depth 0.4 m Critical Slope 0.006 m/m Velocity 2.30 m/s Velocity Head 0.27 m Specific Energy 0.57 m Froude Number 1.327 Flow Type Supercritical







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## Southern Slope Drainage Design





## 10.1 Designs

With the data derived from the Topography, Geotechnical, Hydrology Study and Design, a drainage solution was engineered to improve the site drainage and protect the deterioration of the historic structures from further damage due to the effects of water saturation. Images of the effects are shown in Figures below:

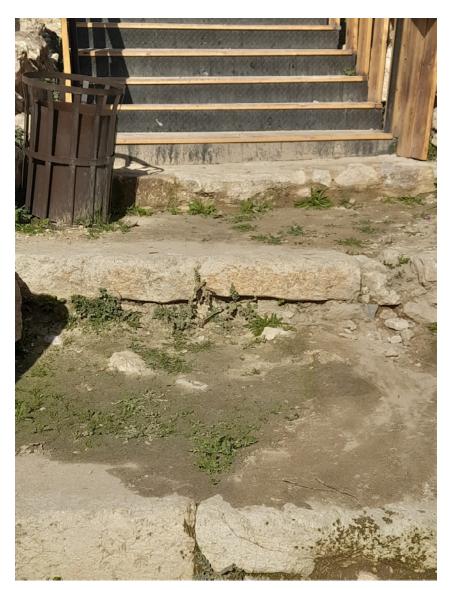


Figure 31 - Drainage Path Depositing Soil on Southern Entrance







**Figure 33 - Moisture Saturation Evidence** 



Figure 32 - Moisture Saturation on Existing Wall







**Figure 34 - Effects of Salts on Existing Structures** 

