APPENDIX I – HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY

Preliminary Drainage Study





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Westside Canal Battery Storage Complex

Project No. 110578

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CED WESTSIDE CANAL BATTERY STORAGE COMPLEX PRELIMINARY DRAINAGE REPORT

Introduction

Burns and McDonnell has been retained to provide engineering support for the Westside Canal Battery Storage Complex Conditional Use Permit, a project for ConEdison Development.

The purpose of this report is to describe and document the preliminary drainage design of the project. This report is intended to fulfill the drainage study requirements of the reviewing agencies and meets the drainage standards of Imperial County.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Location

The project is located in unincorporated Imperial County, California, approximately 3 miles south of Kumeyaay Highway (Interstate 8) and Jessup Rd. The project is south of the Westside Canal that is owned and operated by the Imperial Irrigation District. See attached figure for existing site conditions and vicinity map. The project comprises approximately 148 acres. The property is located in Flood Zone X (Unshaded) Map No. 060065 2050 C. Flood Zone X (Unshaded) is defined as an area of minimal flood hazard, is an area outside the Special Flood Hazard Area, and higher than the elevation of the 0.2 percent annual chance flood.

Existing Conditions

Under existing conditions, the project area is a fallow farm field consisting of sandy soils with minimal vegetation. The site is divided into eastern and western halves by an existing transmission corridor that follows the Liebert Road alignment. The western portion of the site slopes from the southeast to the northwest while the eastern portion of the site slopes from the southwest to the northwest. The site is relatively flat with slopes varying from 0.2% to 2.5%. The site currently has a berm along the western and southern boundaries which divert all offsite flows around the site. The berm elevation on the western portion varies from approximately 10 to 15 feet above adjacent grade. The berm along the southern boundary is approximately three feet in height.

Proposed Conditions

The proposed site will consist of approximately 2000MW of battery storage using a mixture of flow cell and lithium ion technologies. The project is expected to be constructed over multiple phases, with phases ranging from 25 MW to a maximum size of 300 MW. The first phase of the project will consist of an operations and maintenance building, water and fire suppression, stormwater retention, substations and either a lithium-ion battery storage facility or a flow cell energy storage facility. Large industrial buildings, warehouses and/or containers will be the structures to house the storage equipment including battery cells, modules, racks and controls for lithium ion and cell stack modules, tanks, pumps, and controls for flow batteries. Dependent on the technology deployed within a specific storage facility (warehouse/industrial building), the building may have heating, ventilation, and air condition (HVAC) units. Each building is

planned to have roof top solar installed and if there is any open space on the project site, ground mounted solar may be installed for distribution project site power. Building pads will be designed so that they are a minimum of one foot above adjacent grade to protect from the 100-year storm event.

Due to the increase in impervious area, detention basins will need to be constructed to capture the increase in runoff. The site will be graded to divert on-site flows to detention basins via roadside swales. Culverts will be installed under roadway/driveway crossings to connect the drainage swales. The detention basins will be located in the northeast and northwest corners of the site at the historic discharge locations. The Westside Main Canal bounds the project to the north and has elevated banks approximately 2' tall which prevents runoff from leaving the site. Ultimate outfall for the site occurs when stormwater ponds to a height to overtop the canal bank. Proposed battery storage structures and equipment pads for the site will need to be elevated above the ultimate outfall elevation at the top of the bank as indicated on the drainage plan.

The detention basins will be designed such that stormwater will percolate within 72 hours in accordance with Imperial County requirements. A geotechnical study will be performed as part of final design to verify the infiltration rates. In the event that testing shows poor infiltration rates for the basins, injection/dry wells will be installed as needed to meet the 72 hour percolation requirement. Installation of detention basins and grading of the site may be phased to match the phasing of the energy storage facilities.

Drainage Calculations

The County of Imperial Department of Public Works "Engineering Design Guidelines Manual for the Preparation and Checking of Street Improvement, Drainage and Grading Plans within Imperial County" was used to calculate the size of the detention basins needed for the site. Per Section III. Drainage Improvements, General Requirement number four states, "Retention volume on retention or detention basins should have a total volume capacity for a three (3) inch minimum precipitation covering the entire site with no C reduction factors. Volume can be considered by a combination of basin size and volume considered within parking and/or landscaped areas". Thus, the retention required on site is calculated by:

$$V = C\left(\frac{P}{12}\right)A$$

Where;

- V = Volume Required (acre-ft)
 - C = Runoff Coefficient
 - P = Precipitation, 3 inches
 - A = Drainage area (acres)

	West Basin	East Basin
Drainage Area (A)	91.1	57.1 acres
Runoff Coefficient (C)	1	1
Precipitation (P)	3 inches	3 inches
Volume Required (V _r)	22.78 ac-ft	14.28 ac-ft
Volume Provided (V _p)	23.90 ac-ft	16.46 ac-ft

Summary

The Westside Canal Energy Center is a 148-acre project located on fallow farmland. The proposed site features berms along the western and southern boundaries which divert offsite flows around the site. Historic drainage patterns will be preserved by routing flows using swales and culverts to two detention basins located at the northwest and northeast corners of the site. The basins will provide a detention volume of approximately 40.4 ac-ft to capture the three-inch precipitation as stated in the Engineering Design Guidelines manual for Imperial Irrigation District.

ATTACHMENTS

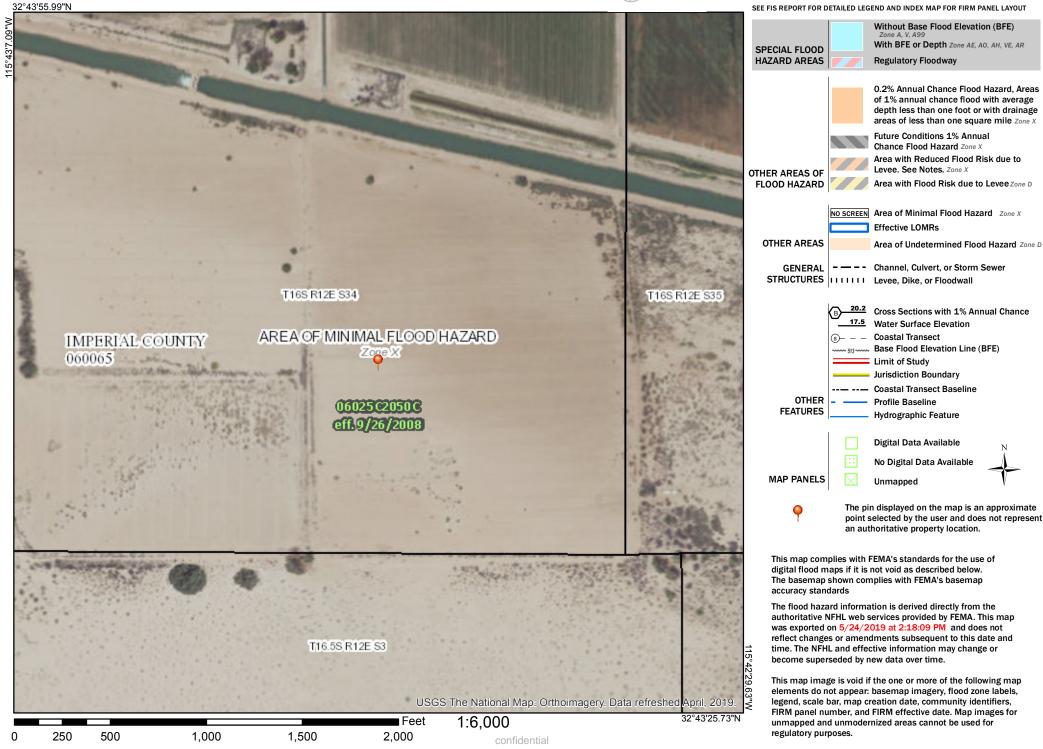
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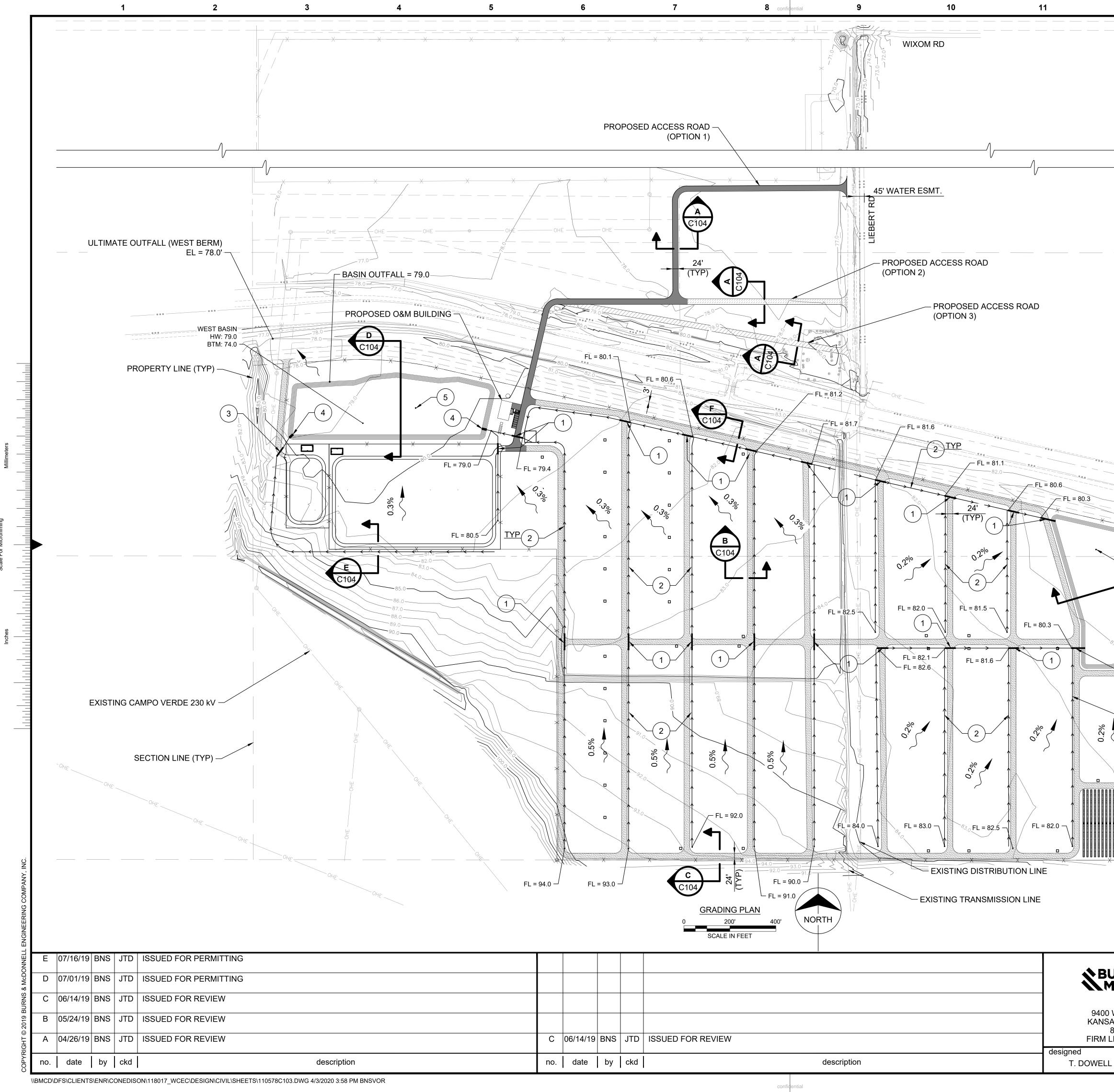
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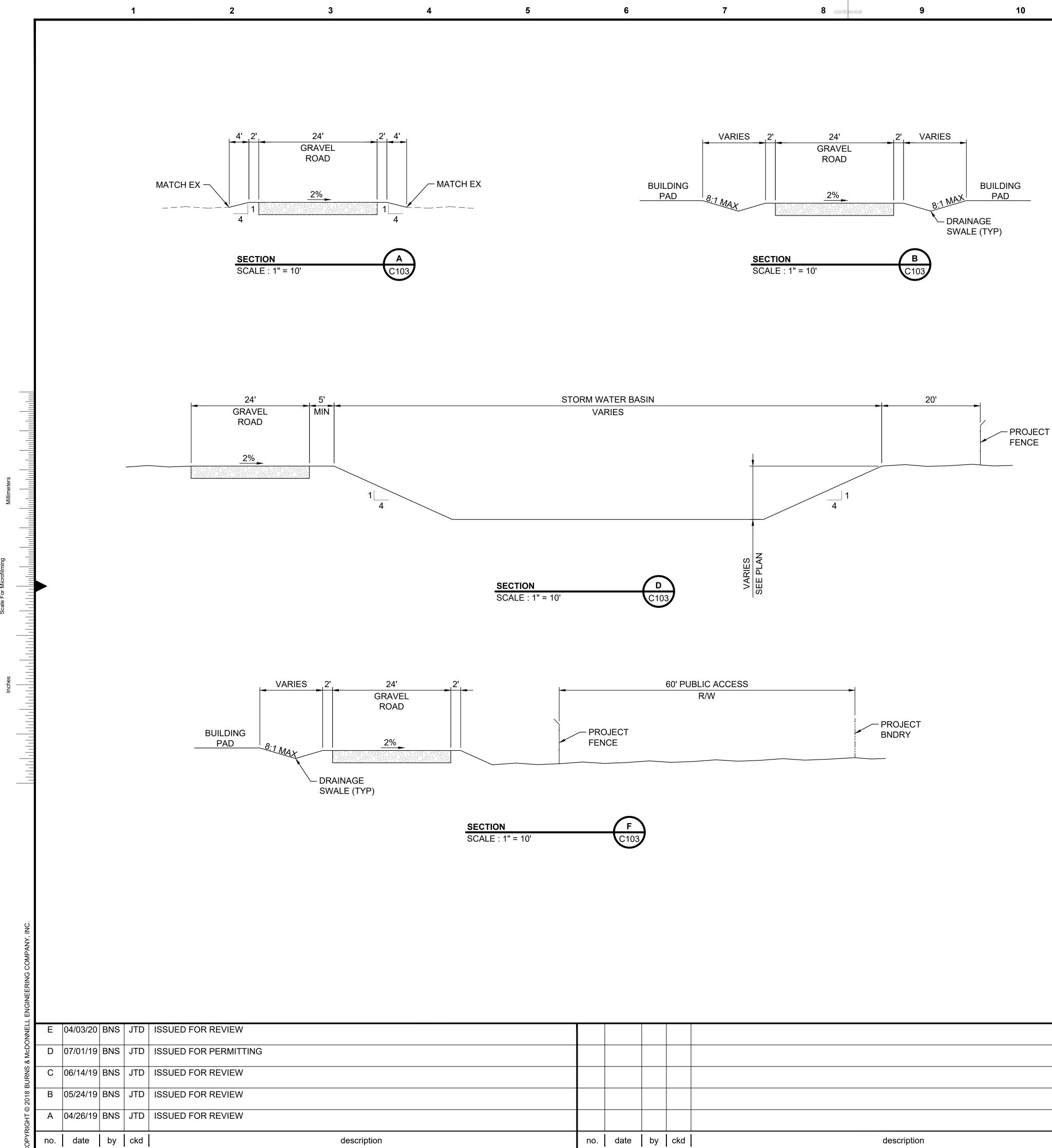
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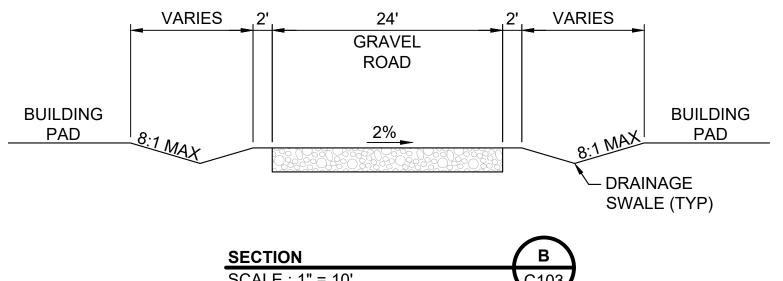


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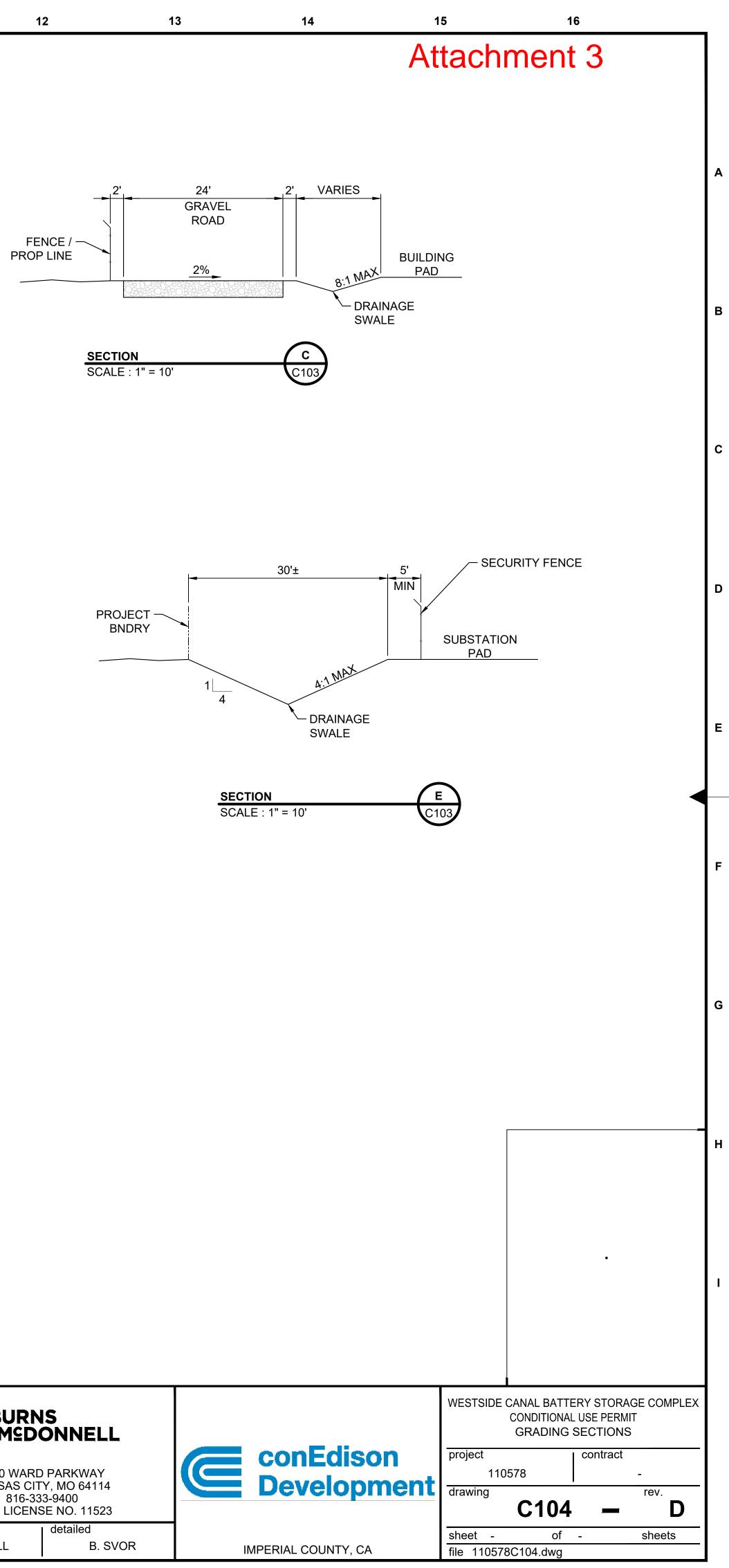








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