

SPECIFICATIONS FOR RETAINING WALL - Meadowlands Transformer

Retaining wall units shall be Versa-lok Square Foot block units as manufactured by Kirchner Block & Brick. The units are 18" wide x 8" tall x 12" deep split face finish. The color shall be chosen by the owner. Concrete wall units shall meet the requirements of ASTM C1372 except compressive strength a minimum 3000 psi and the maximum water absorption shall be limited to 8.0 percent. The concrete shall have adequate freeze thaw resistance in account ASTM C1262.

The reinforced wall backfill material shall be compacted rock. The rock shall be crushed limestone with a maximum 1" particle size and a maximum of the #200 sieve, similar to 1" clean gradation (drainage rock).

The geogrids shall be Miragrid 2XT geogrid as indicated on the plans and as manufactured by TC Mirafi Group. The geotextile filter fabric shall be Mirafi

The leveling pad shall be constructed of crushed limestone similar to 1" or 2" minus rock gradation

The drainage pipe shall be 4" HDPE tubing with sock wrap.

#### WALL FOUNDATION

on soil shall be excavated as required for the leveling pod and the reinforced fill zone to the depths and locations shown on the plan sheet or by the site engineer. The exposed foundation soil shall be observed by a qualified technician, engineer, or owner's representative prior to construction to the exposed material is suitable for a net allowable bearing pressure of 1500 psf (with a factor of safety of 2.0), and that the base of the excavation loose soil, shale, high plastic clays, uncompacted fill, water, or frozen material. Undercut any unsuitable soil. Undercut areas shall be filled with crushe and compacted to at least 95% of the material's standard Proctor maximum dry density.

The foundation shall be proof rolled with 2 passes of a vibratory compactor prior to beginning retaining wall construction

Construct the crushed rock leveling pod to lines and grades shown on the plans. The leveling pod shall be compacted in a maximum 6" lifts with 3 po

### WALL CONSTRUCTION

Install the first course of units on the leveling pad. Install the next course in a running band stack. Blacks may need to be cut to maintain the runn. The units shall overlap the units below by a minimum of 4". Place the Versa—tuf pin through the top unit holes and into the slot in the unit below. Minimum of 2 pins per units. Pull unit forward. Backfill units and continue construction.

The geogrids shall be cut to design lengths and placed between the blocks at the elevations shown on the plans. The geogrid's primary strength directic directed perpendicular to the wall face (into the fill.) The geogrid placed outside a plus or minus 4" zone of the geogrid design elevation will not be a to geogrid shall be placed horizontally and loy flat on the reinforced fill soil. The geogrid shall have a minimum of 11" of grid between the block layer the geogrids shall be installed in one continuous, piece with no joints in the strength of geogrids shall be placed side—by—side along the wall alignment with no overlap required.

#### WALL BACKFILL

Backfill shall be placed, spread, and compacted in such a manner that minimizes winkles and movement of the geogrid. Wall backfill material shall be maximum 16" loose lifts and compacted to at least 95% of the material's maximum dry density as determined by the standard Proctor method (ASTM C resting methods, frequency, and verification of material specifications shall be the responsibility of the owner or the owner's representative. The drainage be compacted with a minimum 2 posses of a vibratory compactor and field density testing will not be required for the drainage rock. During backfill pl 3 foot zone directly behind the wall shall be limited to the use of hand operated compaction equipment only.

Construction equipment shall not be operated directly on the geogrid.

## SCOPE OF THIS RETAINING WALL DESIGN

The retaining wall design includes a complete analysis of the internal stability of the retaining wall system and an external design analysis of the system to sliding and overturning in accordance with the NCMA and/or AASHTO Section 5 guidelines. These retaining wall plans provide the bearing pressures the exerts on the foundation soils. The owner or owner's representative shall verify that the foundation soils at the retaining wall location will provide the ne bearing capacity to support the wall system. The global stability of the entire site, as well as at the retaining wall location, is outside the scope of the wall design.

The erosion protection of the soil at the face of the wall and at the top of the wall is beyond the scope of this design. Design of pipes, manholes, listandards, signs, guard rails, fences, curbs, and other materials around the retaining wall are beyond the scope of this design. Details on our plans the of these items are intended only for the wall contractor to know how to construct the retaining wall at these structures.

The contractor is strictly responsible for the construction means, methods, techniques, sequences or procedures, and the safety precautions and program with the work.

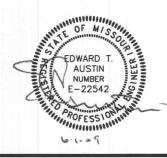
## PROTECTION OF WORK

The surface of the wall backfill shall be graded at the end of each day of work to provide positive surface drainage away from the wall. Grading shall proper contouring of soils in adjacent areas to prevent the flow of surface water into the reinforced earth zone and to prevent to flow of surface water front face of the wall.

The design of the walls is based on conditions and loads imposed on the wall at completion of the project. Prior to project completion, the wall is vul damages caused by construction activity adjacent to the wall. Of particular concern is the use of grading and povement construction equipment on the backfill at the top of the wall. Only equipment with a weight not exceeding one ton can be used in the 3 foot zone directly behind the back of the wall.

Prior to the wall construction exceeding 5' in height the soil at the face of the wall shall be placed and compacted to the final grades. wide flat area at the face of the wall and the soil shall slope away from the wall

No changes shall be made to these plans without the written approval of Aspen Consultants



CONNECTION DETAIL





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