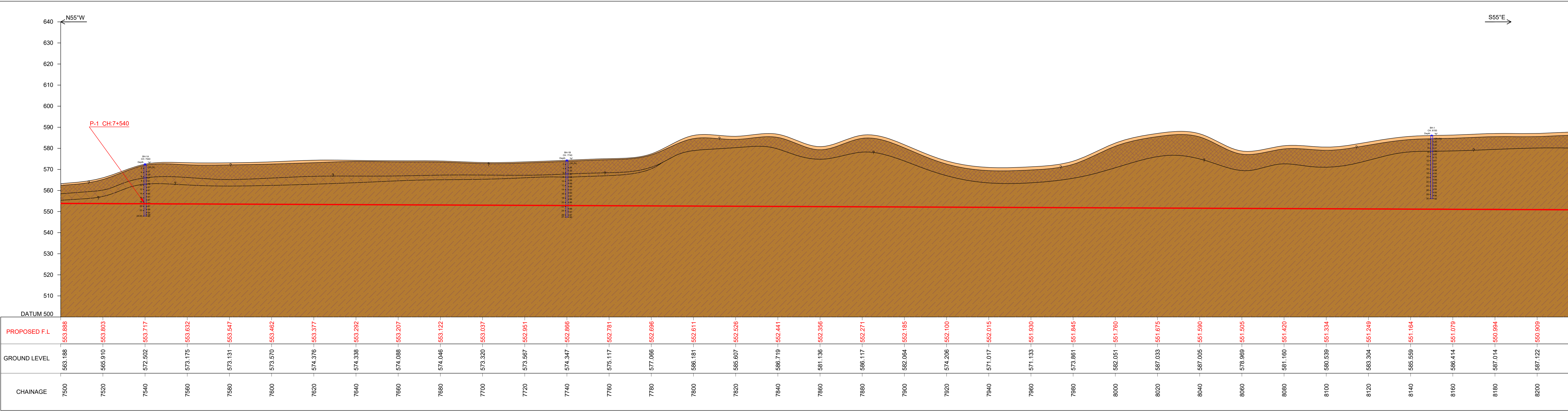


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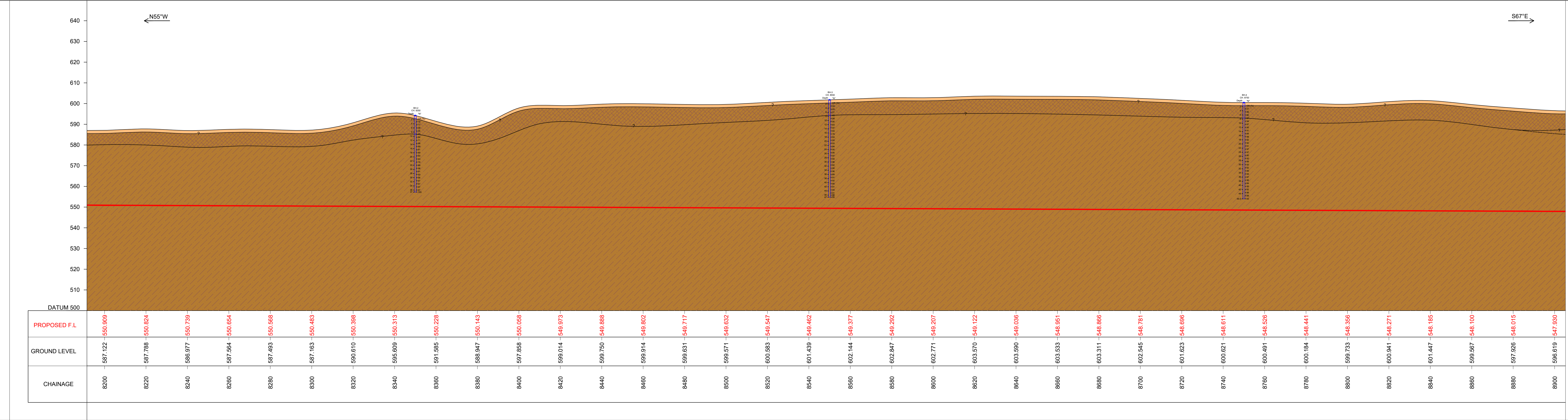
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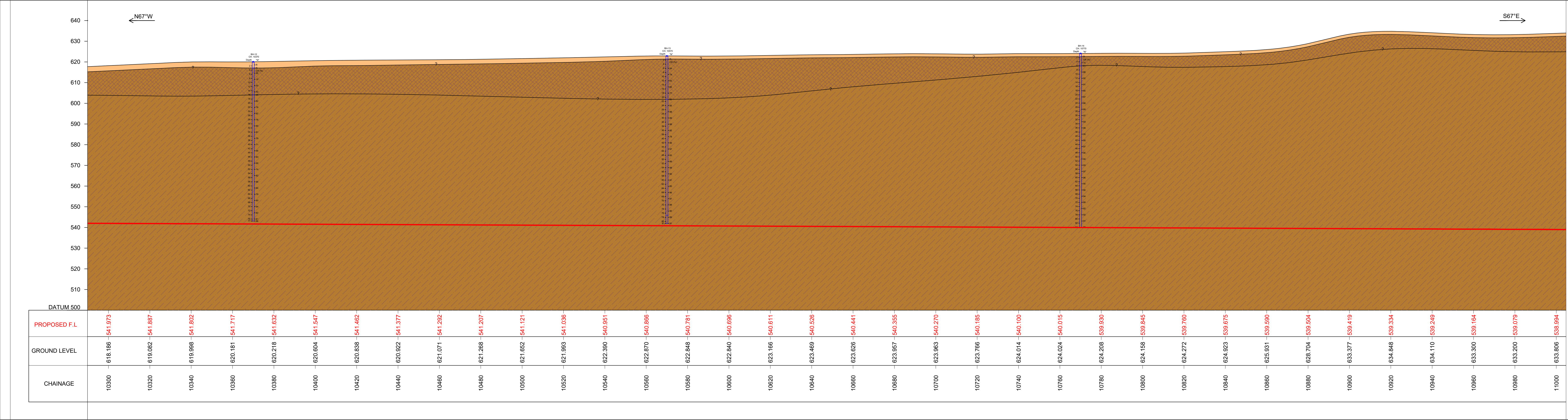
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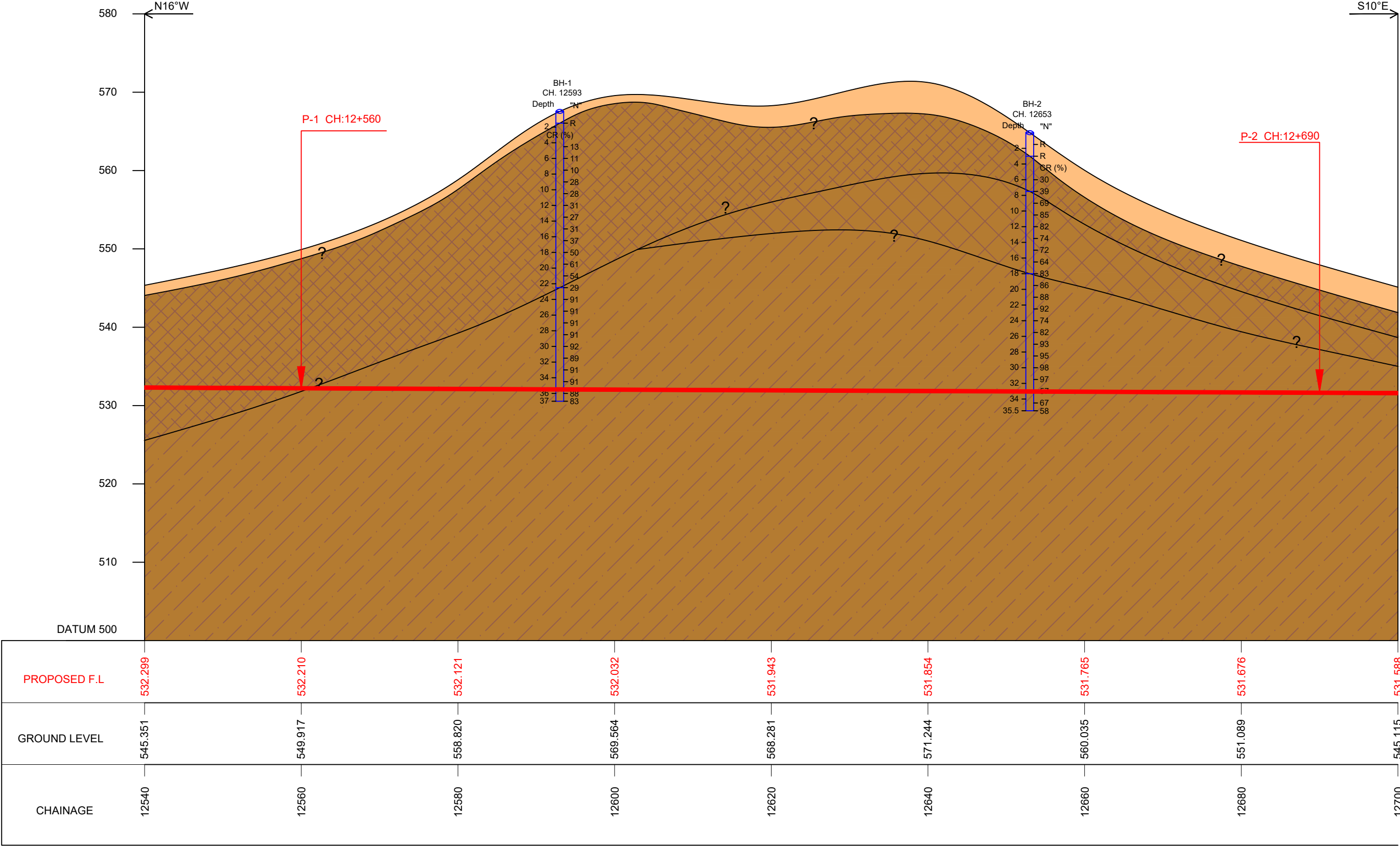
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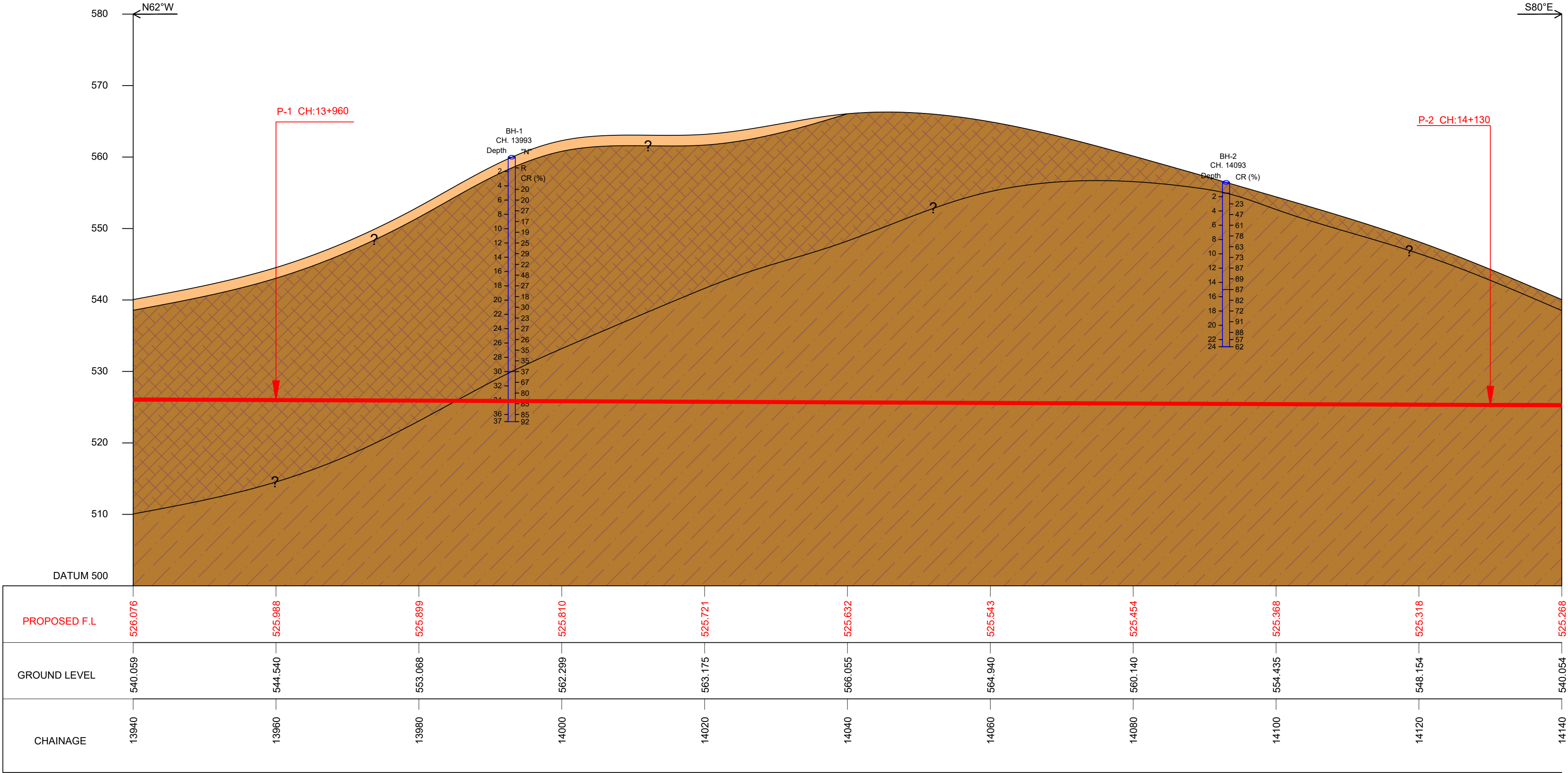
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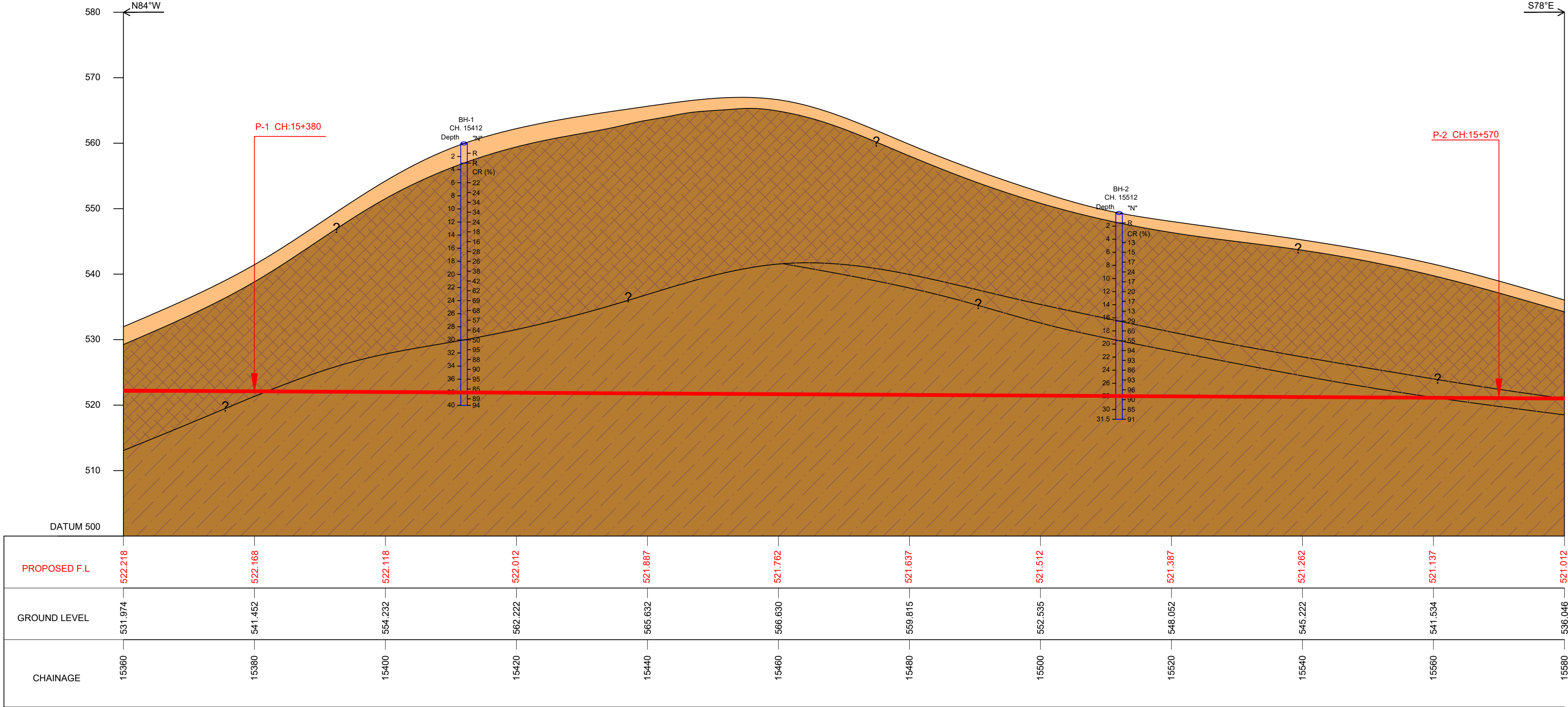
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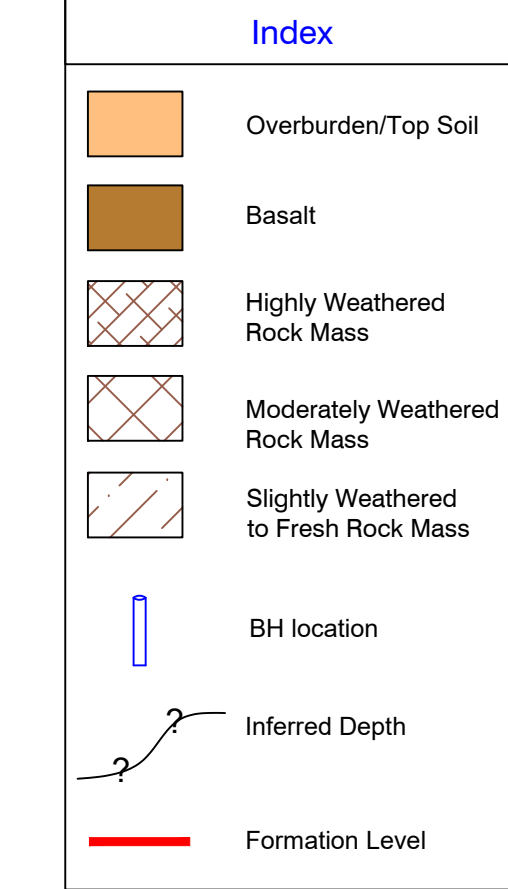
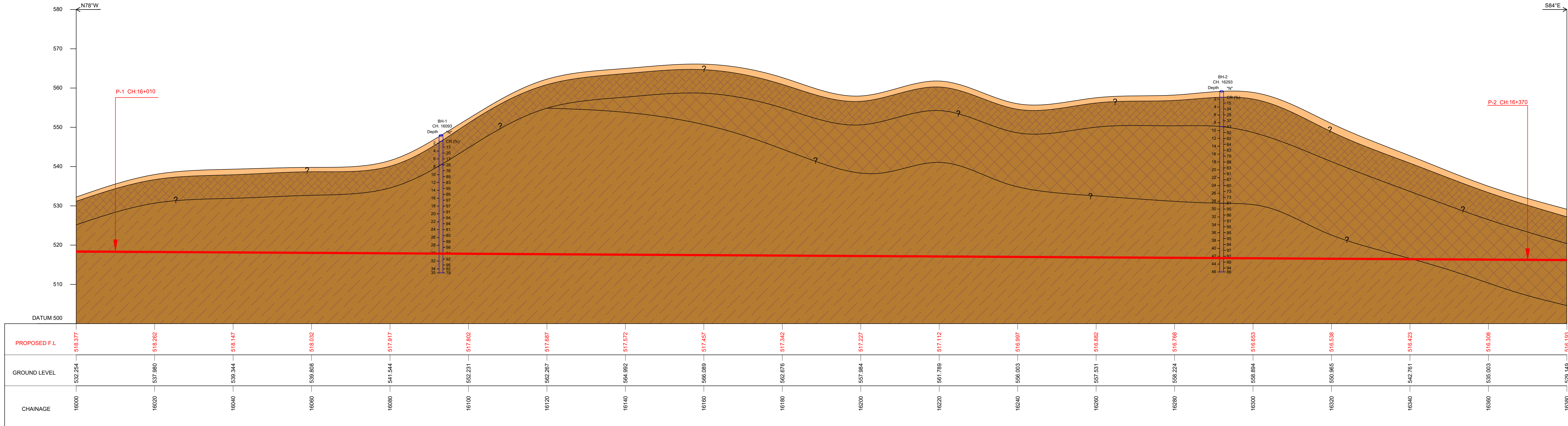
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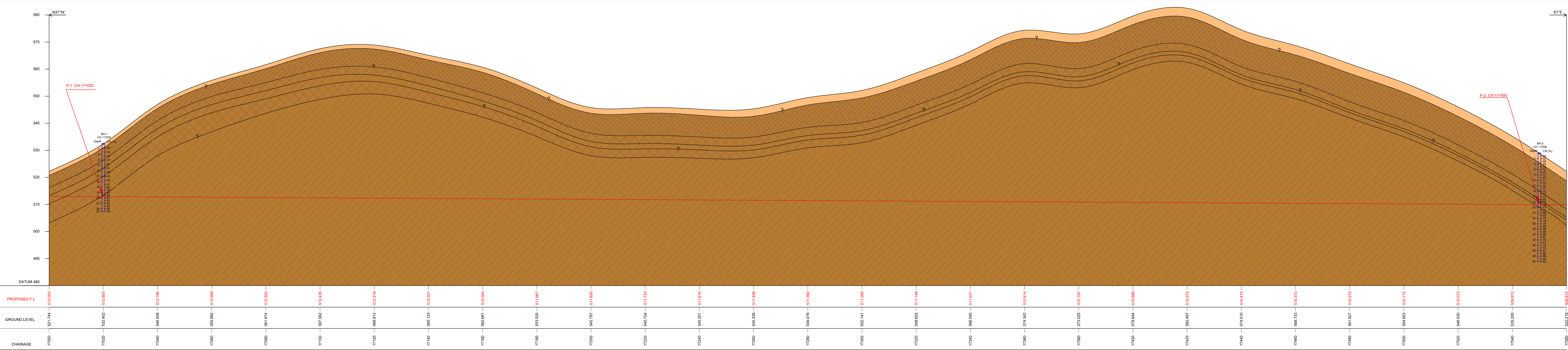
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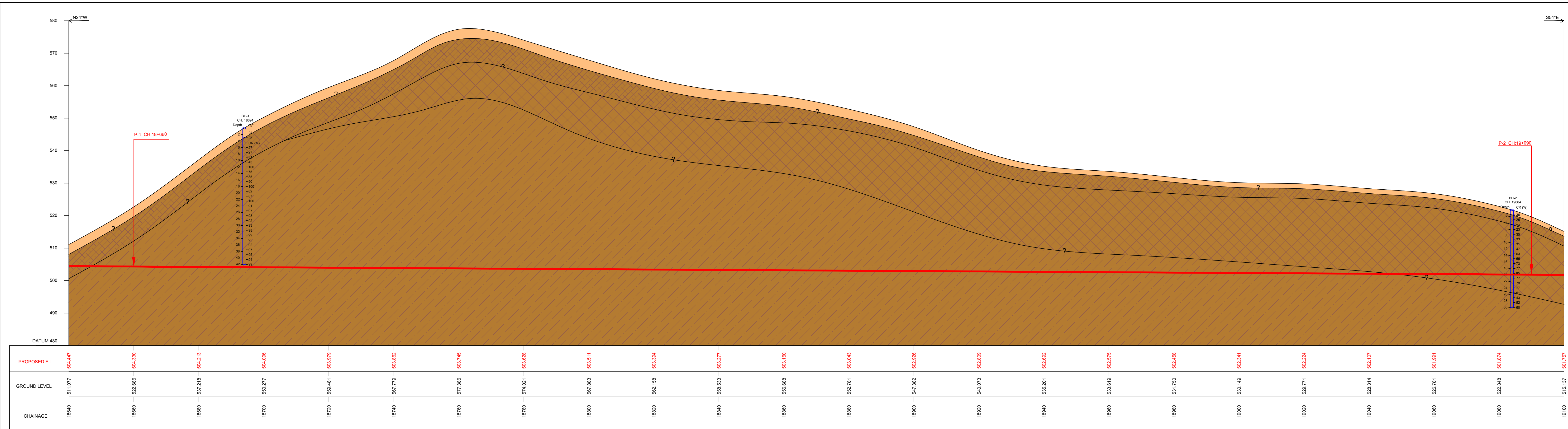
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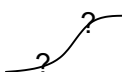

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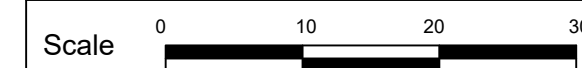
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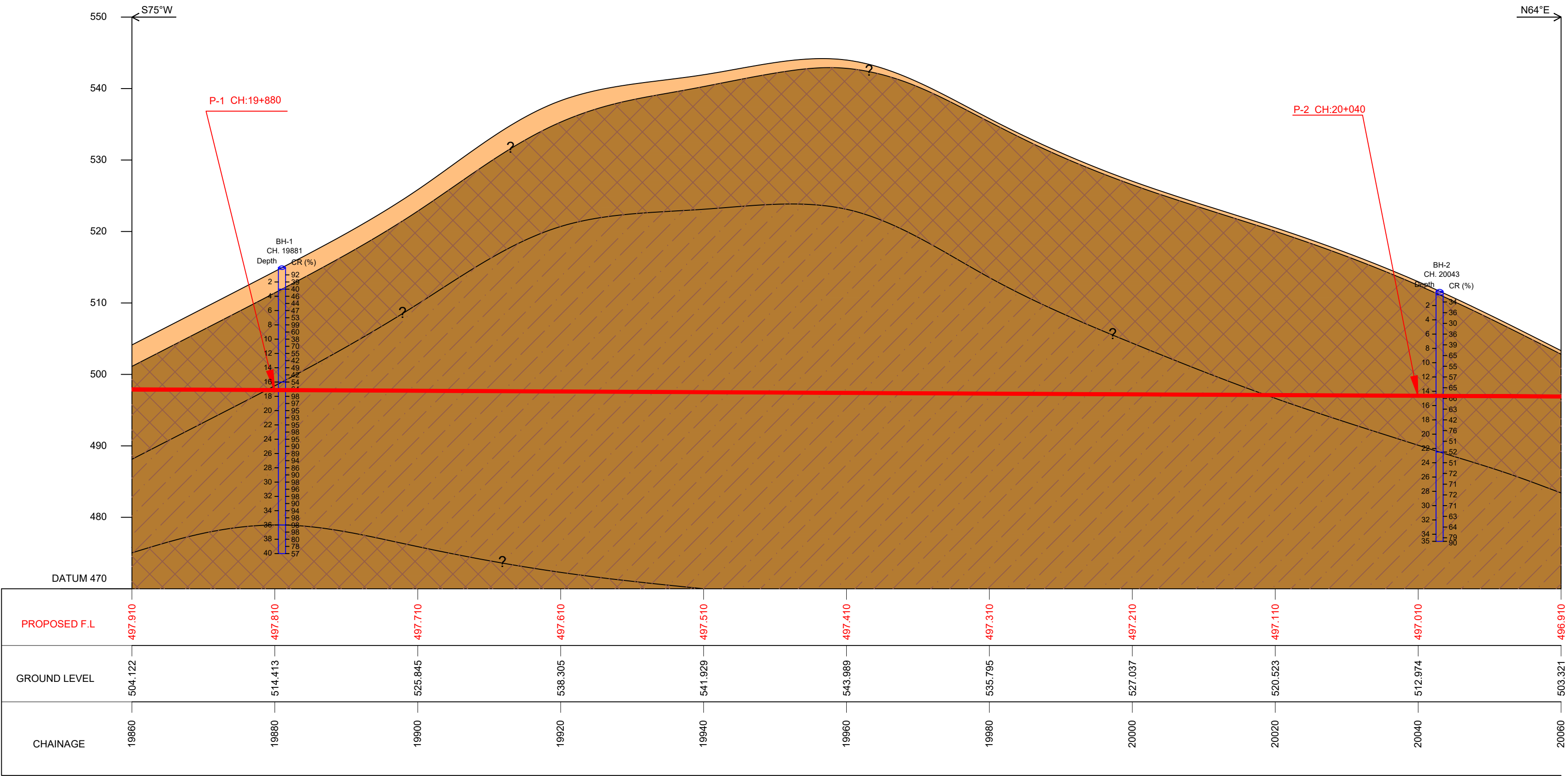


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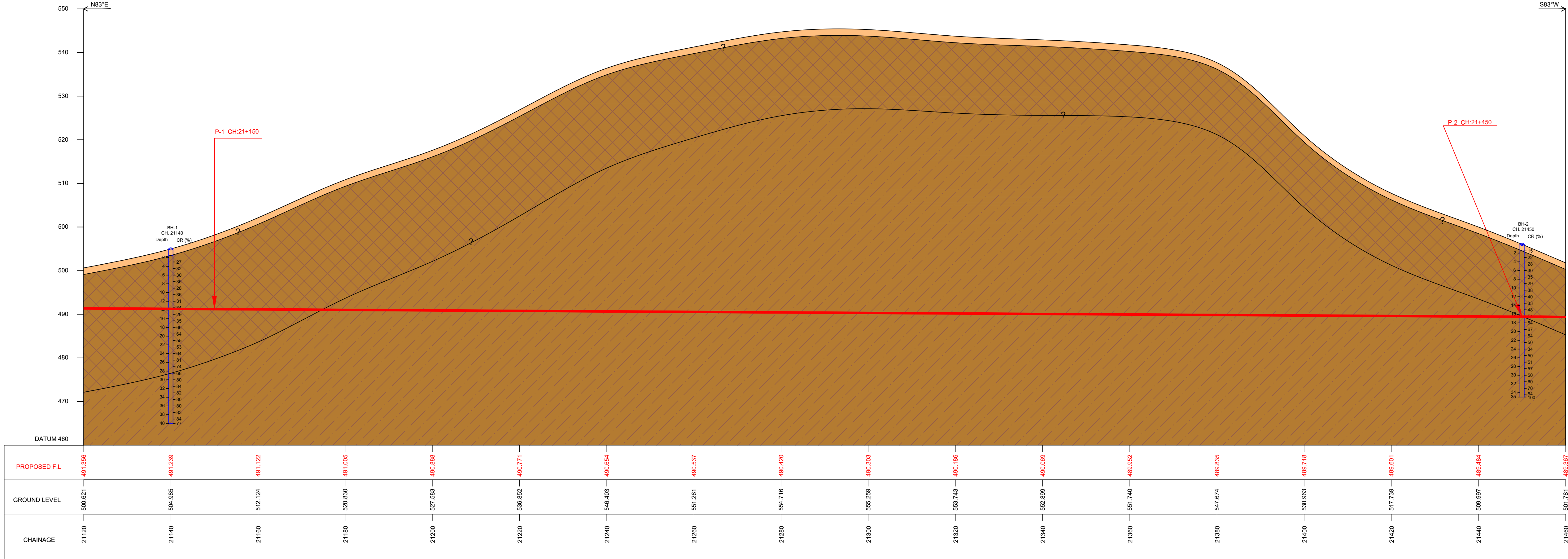
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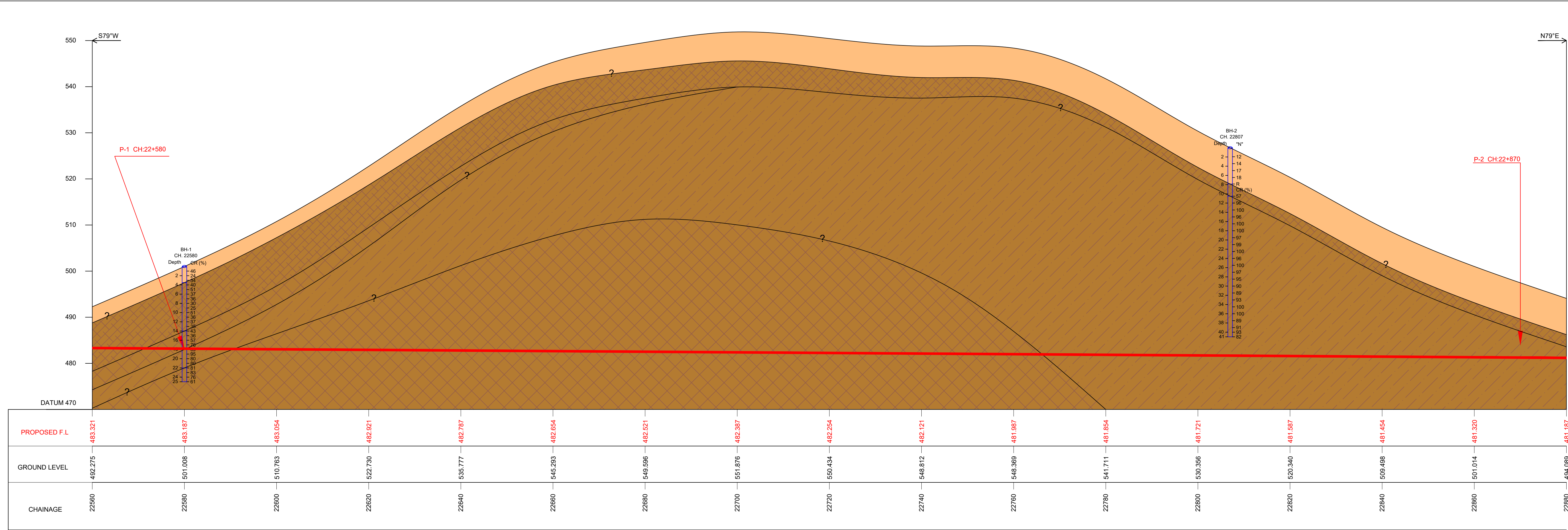
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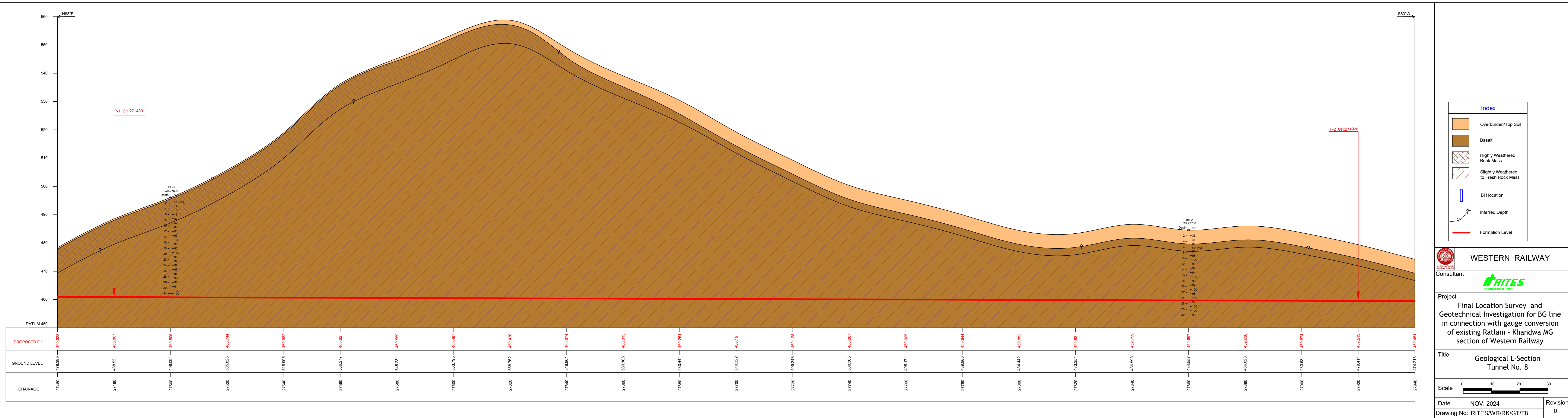
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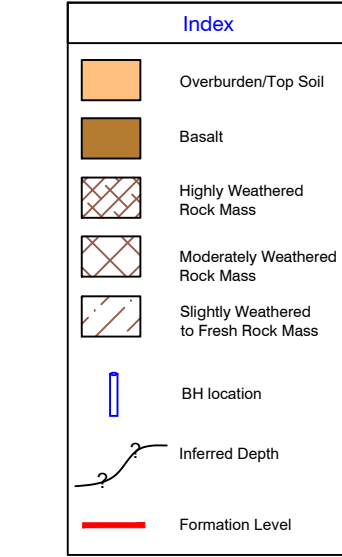
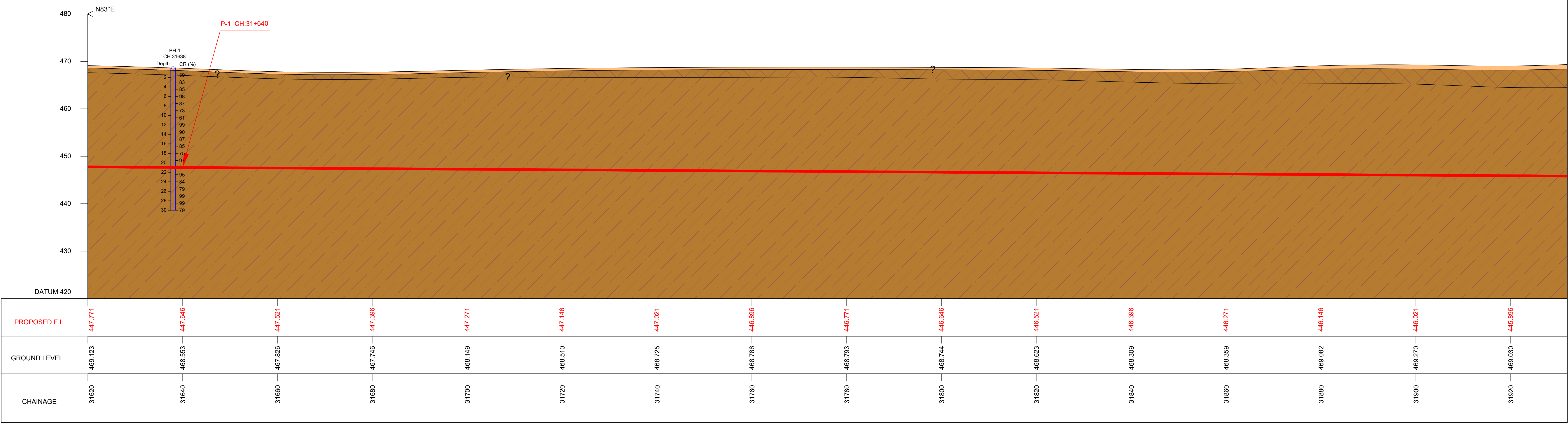
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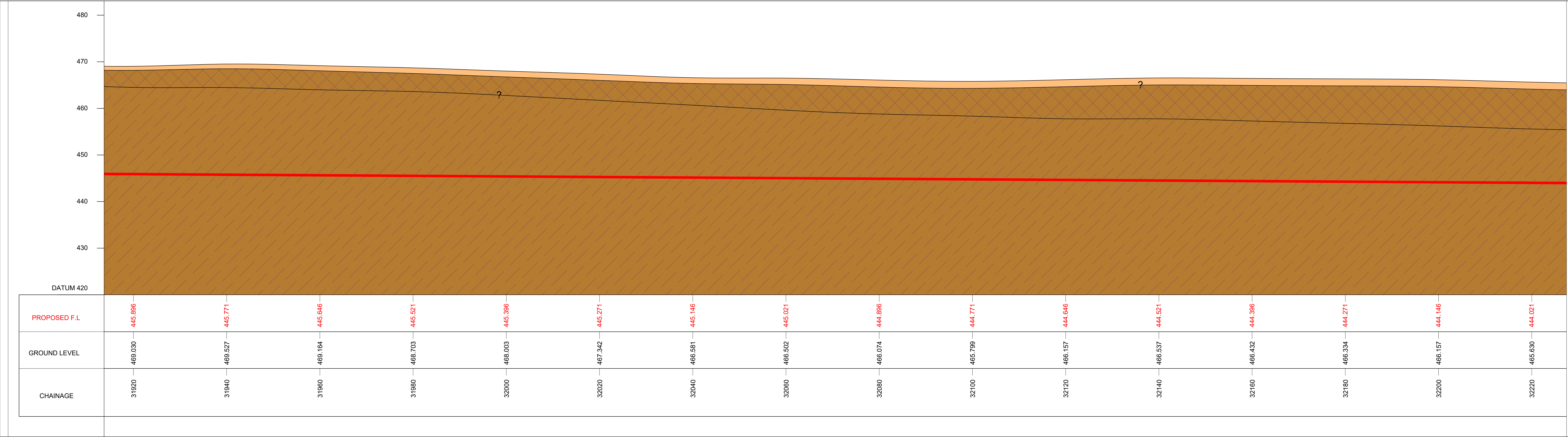
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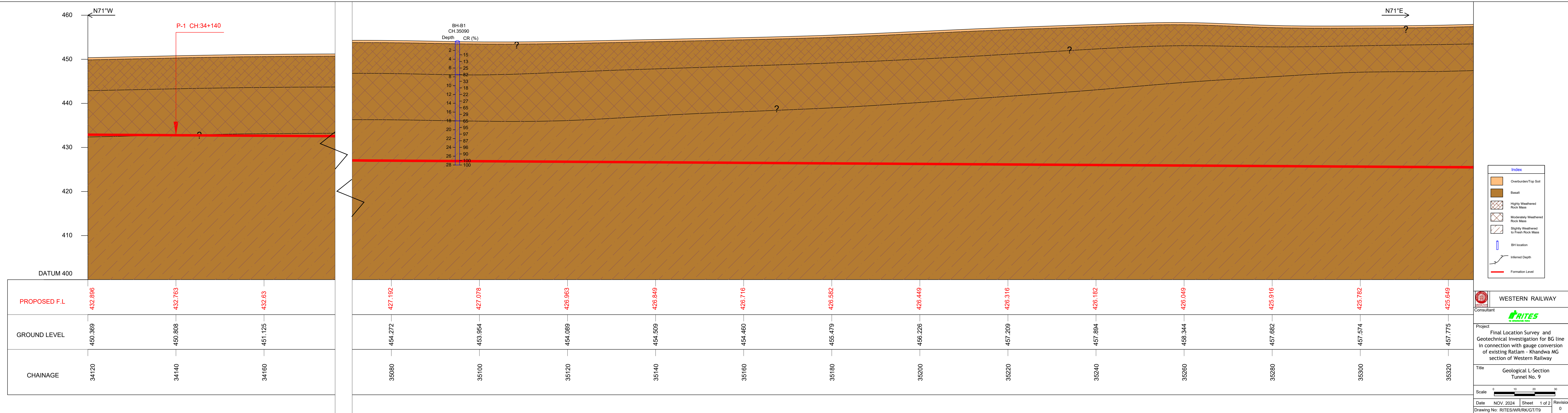
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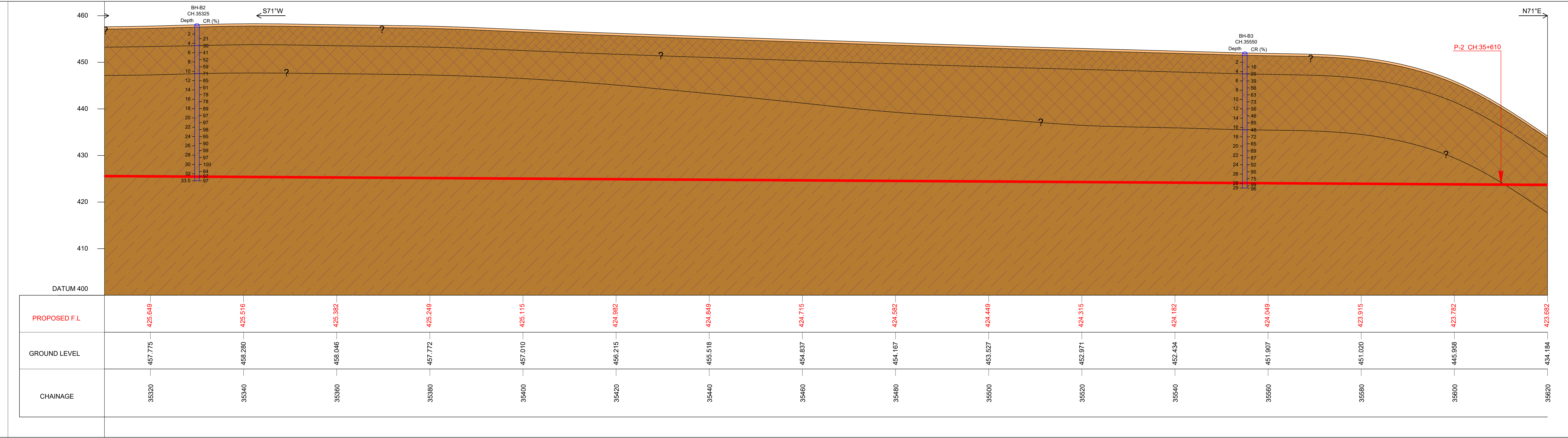
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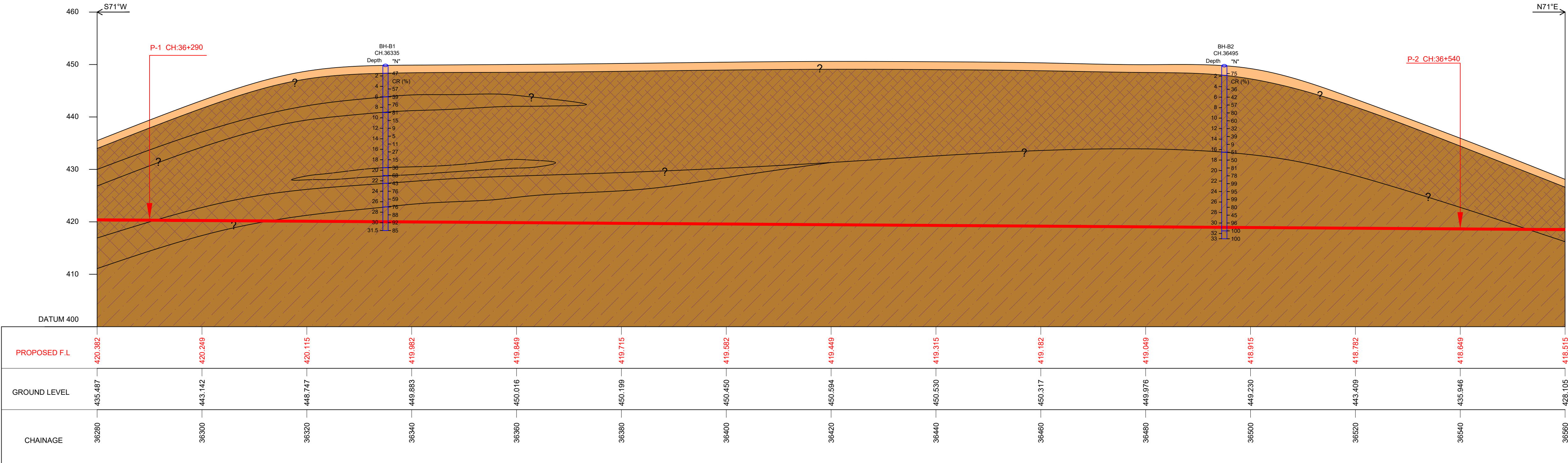
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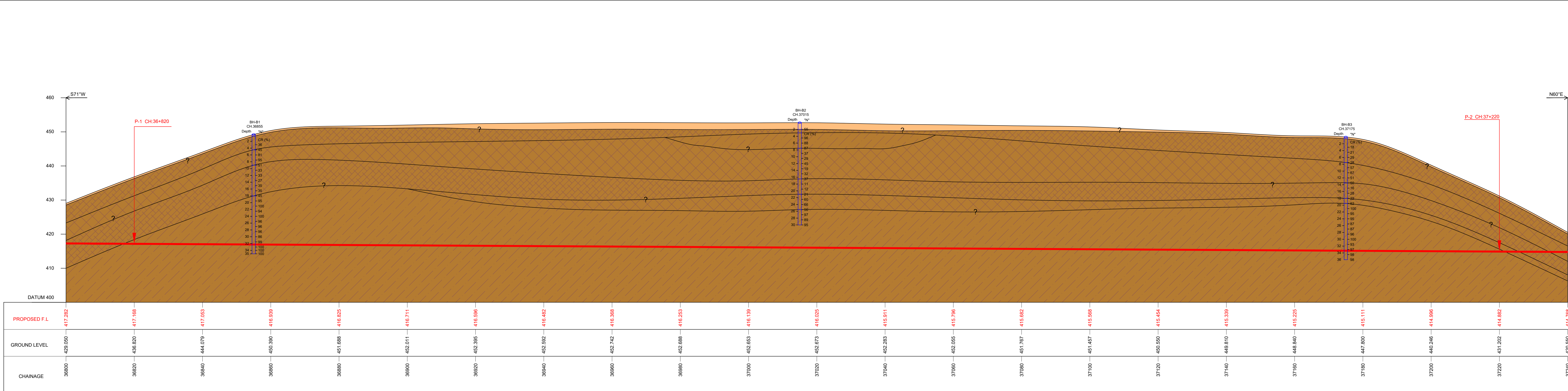
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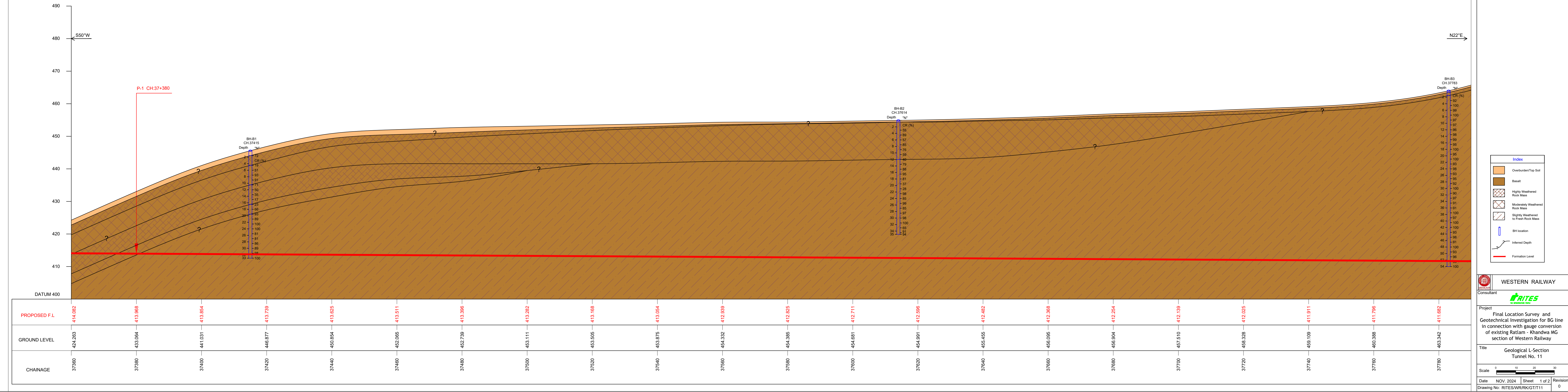
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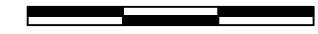
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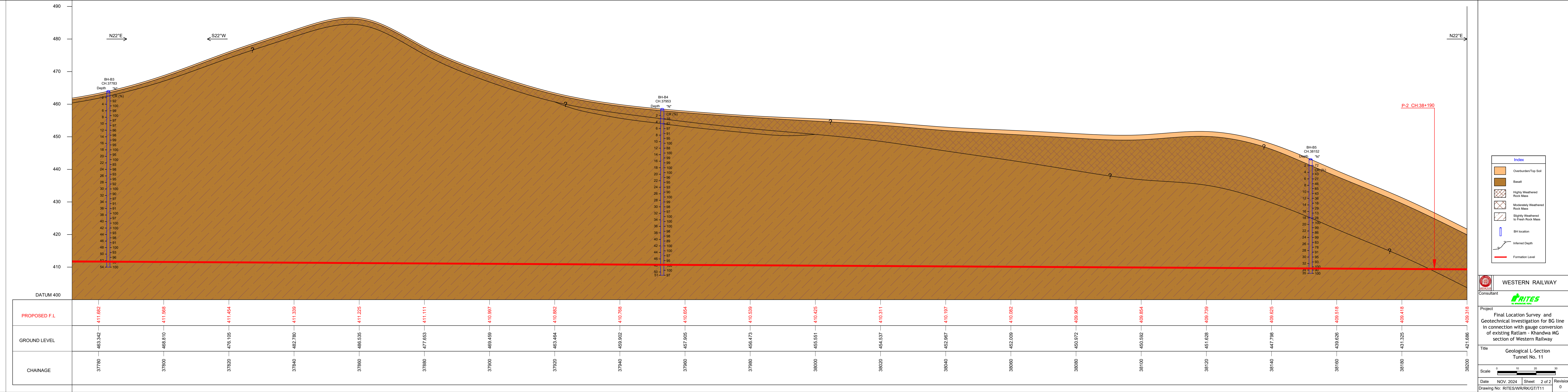
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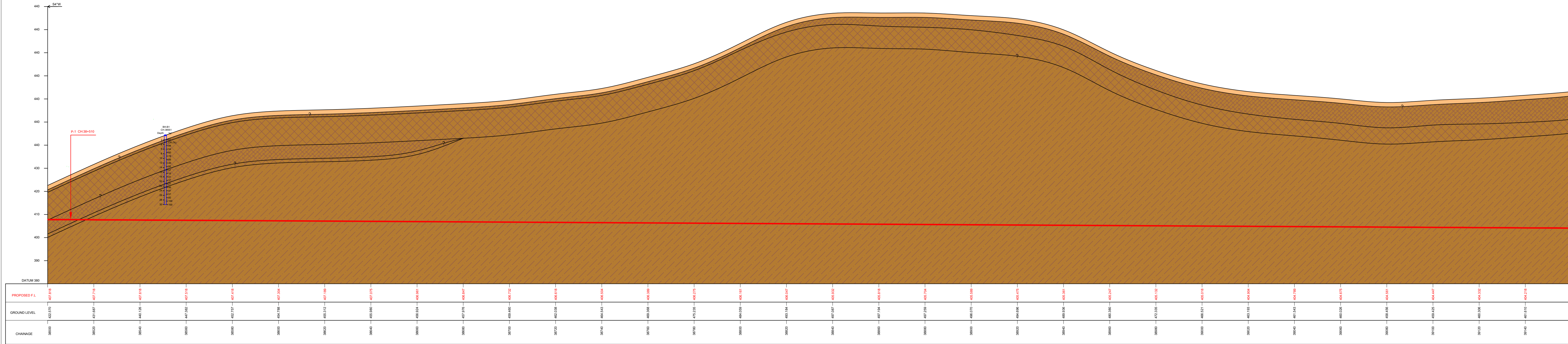
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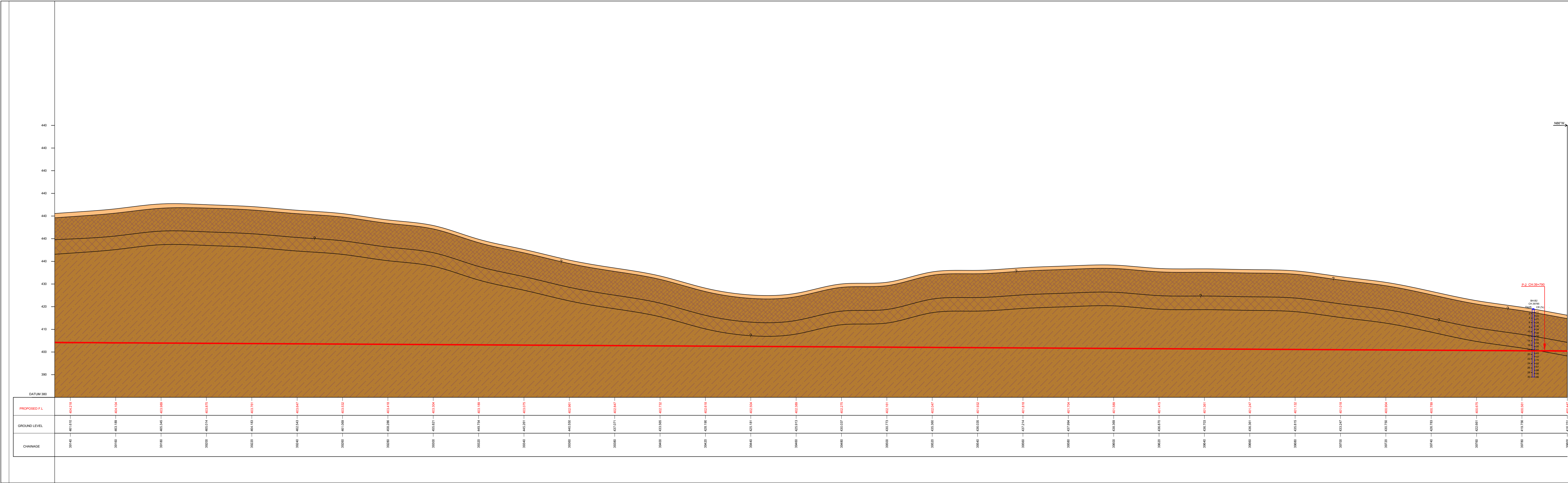
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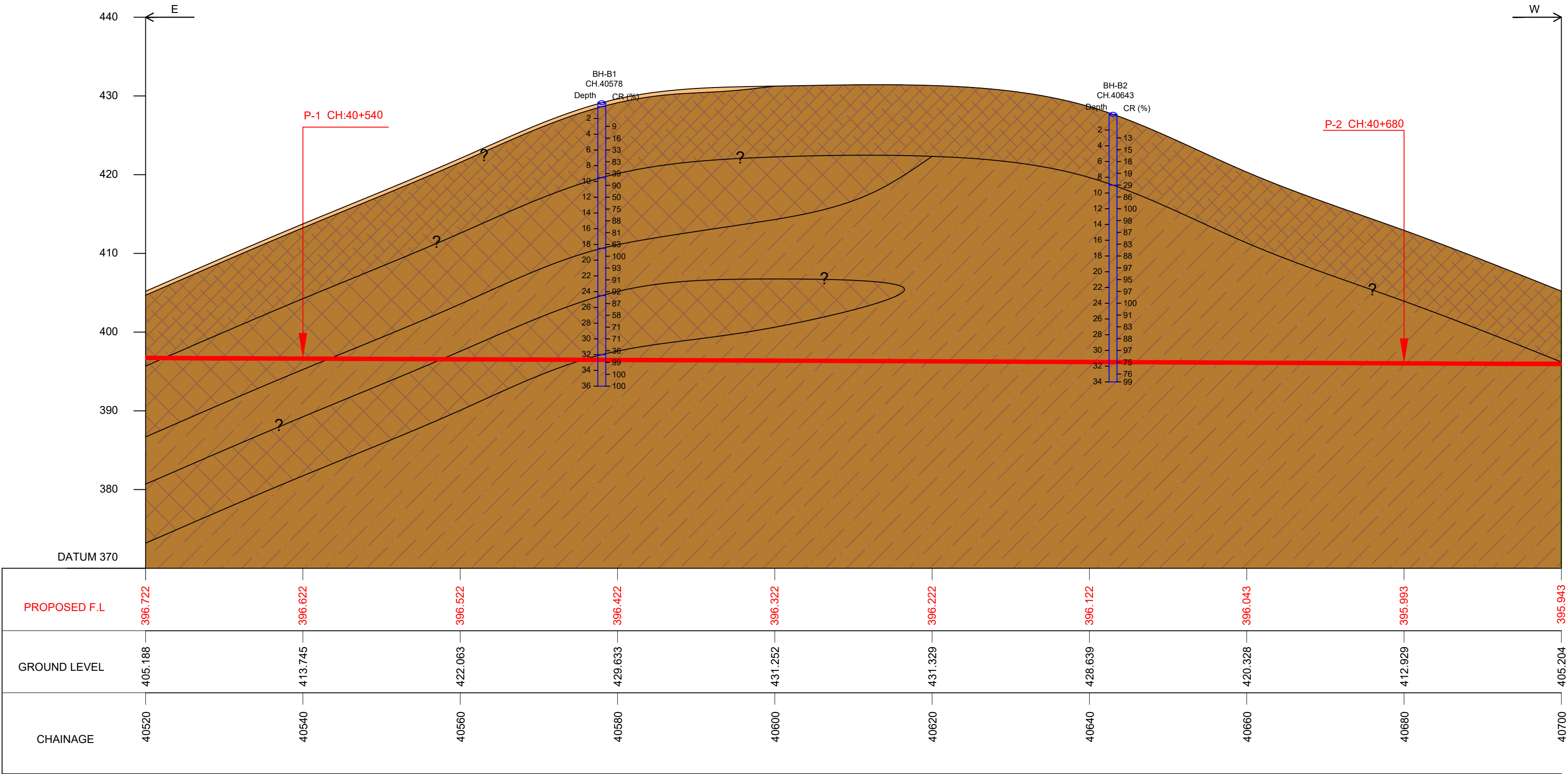
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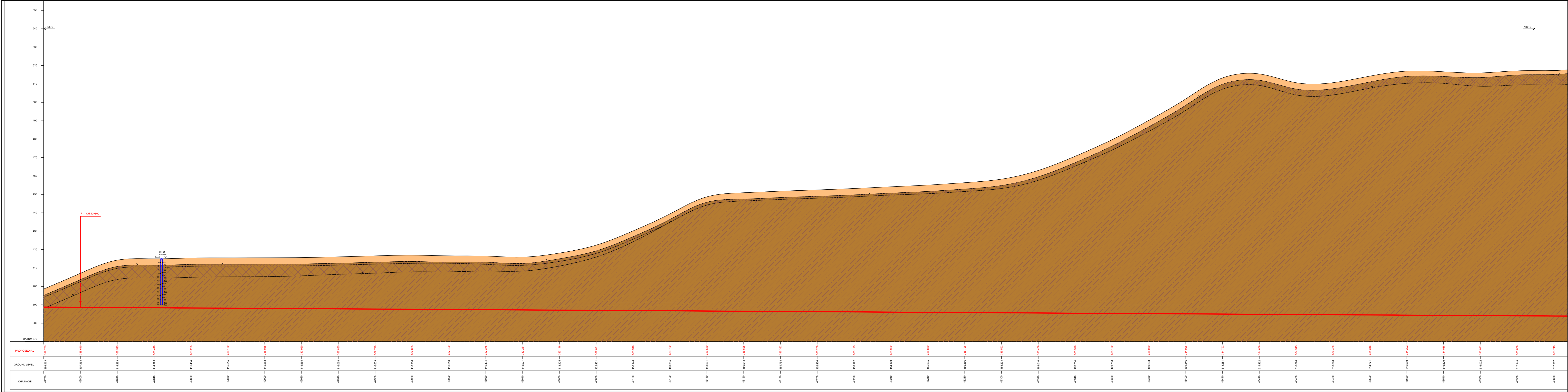
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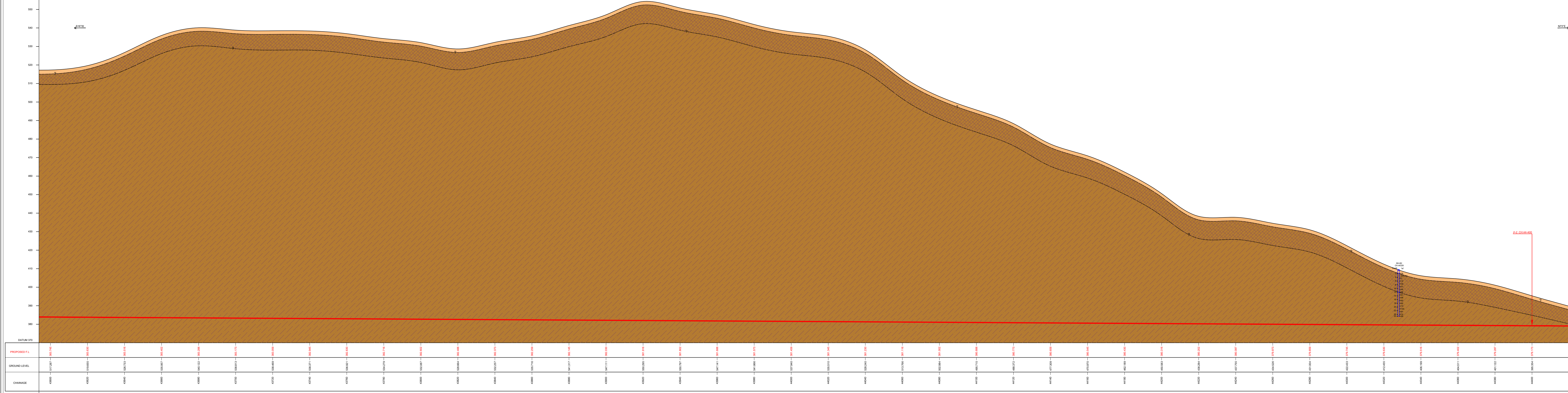
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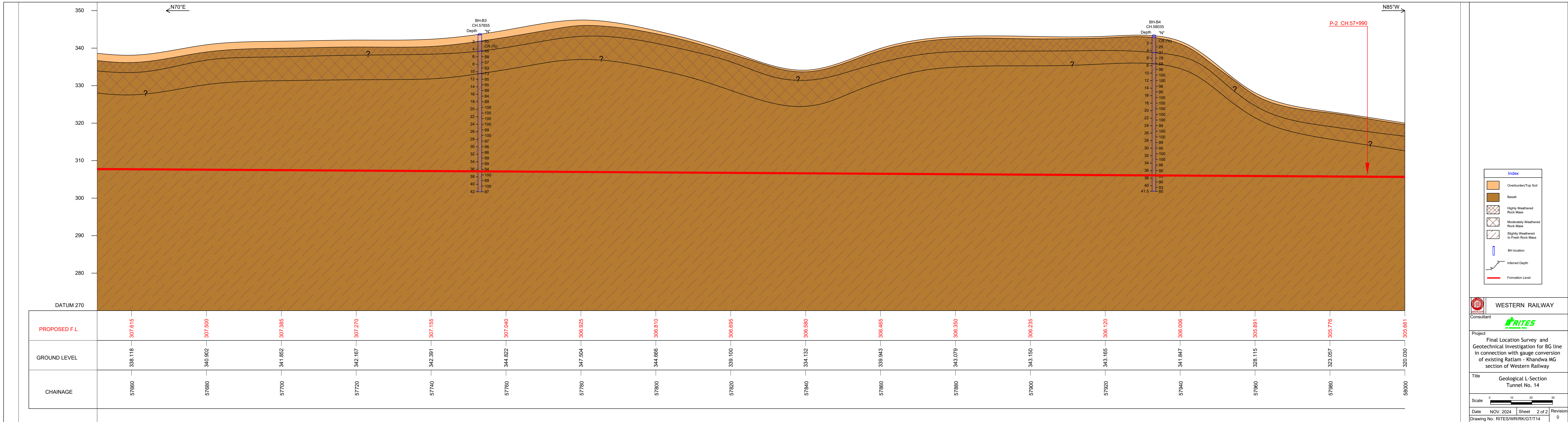
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1 Regional Geology of Tunnel T-8A:

S. No	Feature	Chainage (Km)	Length of tunnel(m)
1	Portal-1 and adjoining area	31+600	900
2	Portal-2 and adjoining area	32+500	

The proposed alignment of Tunnel T8A between Km 31+600 and Km 32+500 is passing through rocks belonging to Deccan Trap of Upper Cretaceous to Paleocene. Mainly Basaltic Lava Flow (Deccan Trap) is reported all along the tunnel length.

Basaltic Lava Flow (Basalt) is generally fresh to slightly weathered at places moderately weathered, massive, moderately jointed, medium to strong, fine to medium grained, grey to black colour in nature. Normally joint J1 (Primary joint) is horizontal to sub horizontal. Four plus random joints are reported/present in the study area. All the joint sets are almost vertical dipping except J1.

The general trend of rock mass exposed along the entire tunnel alignment in the area. These rock units are traversed by numbers of joint sets where primary/foliation joint is the most prominent one. The joints set in general are close to partly open in nature with medium/moderate to high persistence.

Portal P1 and adjoining area:

The proposed Portal 1 of T8A is located at steep to very steep hill slope ground conditions towards portal and covered with less cover slope wash cum slope debris material & dense vegetation/forest .

Bedrock is not exposed at vicinity of portal area and along the hill slope, but it may be encounter at shallow depth. Overburden materials i.e., slope wash cum slope debris materials is recorded near portal 1 location.

The proposed tunnel portal 1 is having adequate vertical & lateral overburden & suitable for portal location. Seepage is also not observed near proposed tunnel portal.



Figure 1 Showing dense forest cover & hill slope debris materials

The upslope area has also occupied by thick forest cover/vegetation and having steep towards portal. The portal slope area of proposed portal is covered with thin slope debris cum hill slope wash material represented by pebbles to boulders of Basalt embedded in silty clay matrix. The overburden material is unconsolidated to semi-consolidated in nature consisting of pebbles, cobbles, boulders of Basalt and other rock fragment mixed with soil matrix. The bedrock is not recorded at portal location, but it may be encounter at shallow depth.

Section Between Portal P1/T8A and Portal P2/ T8A:

The area between Portal 1 to Portal 2 of proposed T8 tunnel alignment passes through hill with moderate to steep slope and area partly covered with slope wash cum slope debris material & thick vegetation/ dense forest followed by compact, massive, hard, medium strong to strong, thickly spaced, grey to black colored, fine to medium grained, fresh to slightly weathered, Basalt . Maximum part of the corridor is covered with less/thin overburden material which is unconsolidated to semi consolidated in

nature and the visually estimated ratio between the coarse: fine fraction is 90:10 respectively. Seepage & nala is not observed between proposed tunnel portal 1 & portal 2.



Figure 2 Showing dense forest cover, hill slope debris & minor rock exposure.

The general trend of rock mass exposed along the entire tunnel alignment in the area. These rock units are traversed by joint sets where foliation joint is considered as most prominent joint set. The joint sets in general are close/tight to partly open in nature with high persistence.

2 Alignment Details

The provided tunnel alignment in by RITES is tabulated as below:

Table 1 Proposed alignment T-8A

S.No.	Parameter	Proposed alignment
1	Tunnel length	900 m
2	Start chainage	km 31+600
3	End Chainage	km 32+500
4	Straight/ Curved tunnel alignment	Curved
5	Maximum overburden (from FL)	23 m
6	Maximum gradient	Fall 1in160

The details of the proposed tunnel alignment with its geometric properties are as summarized table below-

Table 2 Geometric details of tunnel T-8A alignment

S.No.	Curve radius	Points on curve	Chainage
1	1750 m (Curve no.19R)	TPTC-1	km 31+616.399
		TPCC-1	km 31+726.399
		TPCC-2	km 32+600.500
		TPTC-2	km 32+710.500

3 Theory on Primary lining

3.1 Primary Support

The purpose of the primary support is to stabilize the underground opening until the final lining is installed. In many cases it may become necessary to apply the support system in combination with auxiliary constructional measures. The most common elements for the primary support are:

a) Rock bolts: Rock reinforcement in tunnels (of which rock bolt is one of the types) is used for many purposes. There are many types of rock bolts, with many of them being patented products, generally made of steel (mostly reinforcement bars of suitable diameter).

A borehole of required diameter is drilled in the rock mass and the bolt is inserted in the borehole. The bolt is anchored near the tip using suitable mechanism, then it is stressed, and the bore hole mouth is covered by using a face plate and face nut. Afterwards, grouting is done (in most of the cases) to fill up the annular space between the bolt and the walls of the borehole. In case bore hole does not remain stable until withdrawal of drill rod and insertion of bolt, Self-Drilling Rock bolts (SDR) or Self-Drilling Anchors (SDA) are used, wherein the drill bit is located at the end of bolt and borehole is drilled using the bolt and drill bit. In such a system, the drill bit is not re-used, and one drill bit gets scarified in each borehole. SDAs or SDRs are costly as compared to normal rock bolts, but their use is necessary in case of weak ground tunnelling. When the required length of rock bolts becomes excessive (say more than 10m or so), rock anchors (which are made of woven high tensile steel ropes) are used in place of steel bolts.

Rock bolts serve many purposes in the tunnels. Major purpose of rock bolts is to support individual rock block(s), which may become loose due to creation of cavity and may have eventually fallen in figure below.

b) Shotcrete: Shotcrete is the process in which cement, sand and fine aggregate concrete conveyed through a hose and pneumatically projected at high velocity onto a surface, as a construction technique.

Dry Mix Shotcrete: Dry shotcrete components – which may be slightly pre-dampened to reduce dust – are fed into a hopper with continuous agitation.

Compressed air is introduced through a rotating barrel or feed bowl to convey the materials in a continuous stream through the delivery hose. Water is added to the mix at the nozzle. Gunite, a proprietary name for dry- sprayed mortar used in the early 1900s, has fallen into disuse in favour of the more general term shotcrete.

Wet Mix Shotcrete

In this case, shotcrete components and water are mixed (usually in a truck-mounted mixer) before delivery into a positive displacement pumping unit, which then delivers the mix hydraulically to the nozzle where air is added to project the material onto the rock surface. The final product of either the dry or wet shotcrete process is very similar. The dry mix system tends to be more widely used in tunnelling because of inaccessibility for large transit mix trucks and because it generally uses smaller and more compact equipment. This can be moved around relatively easily in an underground environment. The wet mix system is ideal for high production applications in tunnelling and civil engineering where a deep shaft or long tunnel is being driven and where access allows the application equipment and delivery trucks to operate on a relatively continuous basis. Decisions to use dry or wet mix shotcrete processes are usually made on a site-by-site basis.

c) **Steel ribs and lattice girder:** They are fabricated at site, to the required cross section of tunnel, by welding of reinforcement bars. These types of supports are relatively light weight (hence economical), flexible and easy to handle. They are normally installed with shotcrete (Fig. below). Use of such supports is very common nowadays and their flexibility is an added advantage, as will be discussed subsequently in “Rock Structure Interaction”.

Rock bolts

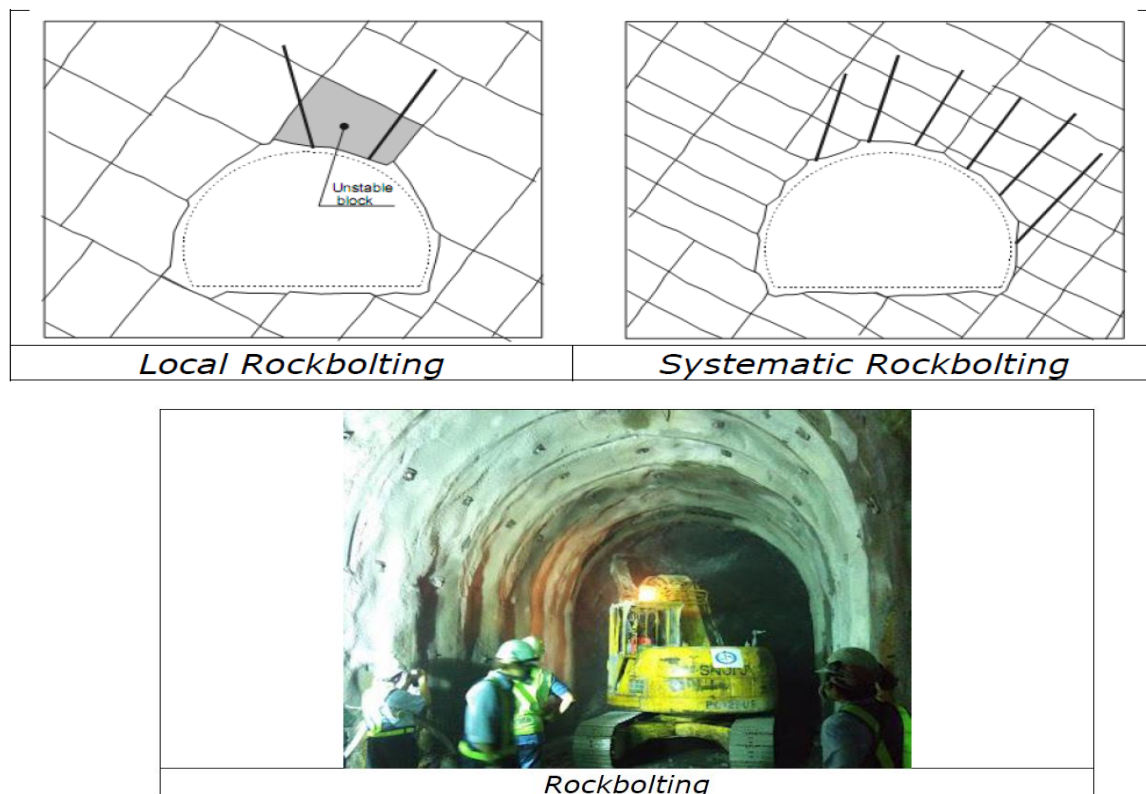
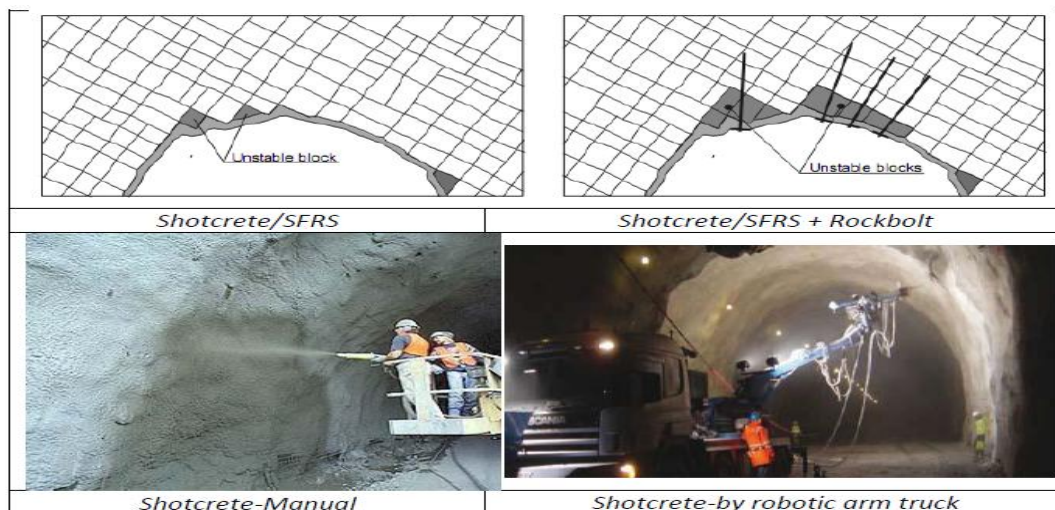


Figure 3 Rock bolting

Shotcrete (not reinforced and reinforced- with fibres or wire mesh)



Steel ribs and lattice girders



Figure 4 Shotcrete, steel ribs Lattice Girder

This report covers analysis and primary design of tunnel T-8A in Ratlam-Khandwa section. Analysis of excavation and support for tunnel has been carried out for different ground type which are anticipated to be encountered i.e., Grade-IV & Grade-V based on Q classification.

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5 Geotechnical Design parameters

Geological survey and mapping of the project area indicate that the tunnels are to be excavated in Granitic Gneiss rock comprising majorly Jointed strata. The discontinuities intersecting the rock mass are related to low tectonic history and mechanical properties of individual rock types. On the scale of tunnel profile, the occurrence and frequency of discontinuity sets is variable.

The representative rock mass conditions/ ground types were identified in terms of Geological Strength Index (GSI) values which have been directly taken from the aid of standard chart applicable for the jointed rock mass by P. Marinos and E. Hoek (2000).

Various ground types are classified in rock grades viz. Grade I, Grade II, Grade III, Graded IV and Grade V for evaluating the rock mass parameters, based on observed rock mass conditions, out of which Grade III & V are observed in tunnel.

For each Ground type, the referenced GSI value has also been categorized into a high and low value to account for the minor reduction in quality of joint conditions to differentiate between the weathering conditions. The range of intact rock strength (σ_{ci}), GSI, intact modulus (E_i) and corresponding rock mass modulus (E_{rm}) values are as per GIR report of tunnels (submitted separately).

Tunnel is divided into sections based on the observed rock quality. The rock mass properties for each section are further assessed for the appropriate rock mass overburden observed in those sections.

It is further observed that there is persistent ground water present across the tunnel. Seasonal dripping of water could also be observed at some places which is taken in analysis.

Considering a conservative case to estimate maximum stresses on lining in the conditions observed at site a value of 0.5 is selected for K_0 (gravity field stress ratio). According to geological and geotechnical conditions, the geotechnical design parameters associated to the different ground types for each tunnel are defined and given in tables below. These geotechnical parameters associated to the different ground types were considered for the analyses.

Table 3 Geotechnical Design Parameter for Tunnel-8A

GEOTECHNICAL PARAMETERS USED FOR DESIGN ANALYSIS FOR TUNNEL DESIGN									
	Chainage	Depth of Borehole	Borehole	Tunnel	Poissons Ratio (μ)	Angle of internal friction (ϕ)	Cohesion (c)	Young Modulus (E)	Unit Wt.
UNITS	Km	m	Type	Type	-	-	Mpa	Mpa	kN/m ³
TUNNEL DESIGN PARAMETERS	31+640	30.0	BH-1	T8A	0.22	48.903	0.264	951.152	2.3
	32+460	25.0	BH-2		0.20	43.708	0.100	200.709	1.9

The Hoek-Brown Failure criteria is used in analysis of rock mass parameters from intact rock parameters. *Details have been mentioned below:*

5.1 HOEK-BROWN FAILURE CRITERION

The Hoek-Brown failure criteria is a widely used rock mass failure criterion that is based on empirical observations of the behaviour of rocks under stress. This criterion was first proposed

by Hoek and Brown in 1980 and has since become an important tool for predicting the behaviour of rock masses in engineering and mining applications.

The Hoek-Brown failure criterion involves a total of 8 parameters: the uniaxial compressive strength of the rock (σ_{ci}), Intact rock parameter (m_i), Geological Strength Index (GSI), Young's modulus of rock mass (E), Poisson's ratio (μ), Disturbance factor (D), Drained cohesion (c'), Drained friction angle (ϕ), Absolute value of confining pressure σ'_3 at which $\psi = 0^\circ$, Dilatancy angle (ψ_{max}) at $\sigma'_3 = 0$.

The Hoek-Brown failure criterion is particularly useful because it takes into account the effects of confinement and the brittleness of the rock mass. It has been shown to provide more accurate predictions of the behavior of rock masses under stress than other failure criteria, particularly in situations where the rock mass is heavily jointed or fractured.

The generalised Hoek-Brown failure criterion can be expressed as a non-linear relationship between the major and minor effective principal stresses, as shown below.

$$\sigma'_1 = \sigma'_3 + \sigma_{ci} \left(m_b \frac{\sigma'_3}{\sigma_{ci}} + s \right)^a$$

Where,

σ'_1 and σ'_3 are the major and minor effective principal stresses at failure;

σ_{ci} is the uniaxial compressive strength of the intact rock material and

m_b is a reduced value of the intact rock parameter m_i as given by;

$$m_b = m_i \exp \left(\frac{GSI - 100}{28 - 14D} \right)$$

s and a are auxiliary material constants for the rock mass given by the following relationships;

$$s = \exp \left(\frac{GSI - 100}{9 - 3D} \right) \text{ and } a = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} \left[\exp \left(\frac{-GSI}{15} \right) - \exp \left(\frac{-20}{3} \right) \right]$$

The Roc Data results are placed on Appendix-I , whereas the theory for Geological Strength Index (GSI), Disturbance factor (D) and Intact rock parameter (m_i) are estimated based on Hoek & Brown (2002) given in Appendix II of this report.

D is a factor which depends upon the degree of disturbance to which the rock mass has been subjected by blast damage and stress relaxation. It varies from 0 for undisturbed in situ rock masses to 1 for very disturbed rock masses. The detailed report of interpretation of intact rock property into rock mass is tabulated in Annexure-1.

6 Design Methodology

The primary purpose of any tunnel site investigation i.e., Geo-mapping, Geophysical survey and Geotechnical investigations is to obtain the maximum amount of information on rock characteristics, structural systems, and groundwater conditions. This information is important for as it enables the designer to assess the behaviour of the rock surrounding the tunnel and the type of support required to maintain the tunnel in a stable condition. With the designed rock supports the contractor can plan and schedule the construction activities to complete the work

Rock mass classification schemes were developed for over 100 years with an attempt to formalize an empirical approach to tunnel design, in particular for determining support

requirements. While the classification schemes are appropriate for their original application, especially if used within the bounds of the case histories from which they were developed, considerable caution must be exercised in applying rock mass classifications to other rock engineering problems. The RMR by Bieniawski's and Q-value by Barton et al' are most commonly used in tunnel design.

RMR System

Bieniawski (1976) published the details of a rock mass classification called the Geomechanics Classification or the Rock Mass Rating (RMR) system. The following six parameters are used to classify a rock mass using the RMR system:

1. Uniaxial compressive strength of rock material.
2. Rock Quality Designation (RQD).
3. Spacing of discontinuities.
4. Condition of discontinuities.
5. Groundwater conditions.
6. Orientation of discontinuities.

The RMR value of rock mass is the summation of all these six parameters. The Rock Quality is based on the RMR value of rock mass and based on the Rock Quality support system is proposed by the Bieniawski. The relation between RMR rating and rock Quality is given below in table.

Table 4 Relation between RMR and Rock Quality

RMR (Rock Mass Rating)	Rock Quality
81-100	Excellent
61-80	Good
41-60	Fair
21-40	Poor
0-20	Very poor

The Guidelines for excavation and support of 10 m span rock tunnels in accordance with RMR system is given in table below.

Table 5 Support based on RMR Value

Rock mass class	Excavation	Rock bolts (20 mm diameter, fully grouted)	Shotcrete	Steel sets
I - Very good rock RMR: 81-100	Full face, 3 m advance.	Generally, no support required except spot bolting.		
II - Good rock RMR: 61-80	Full face, 1.5-3.0 m advance. Complete support 20 m from face.	Locally, bolts in crown 3 m long, spaced 2.5 m with occasional wire mesh.	50 mm in crown where required.	None.

III - Fair rock RMR: 41-60	Top heading and bench 1.5-3 m advance in top heading. Commence support after each blast. Complete support 10 m from face.	Systematic bolts 4 m long, spaced 1.5 - 2 m in crown and walls with wire mesh in crown.	50-100 mm in crown and 30 mm in sides.	None.
IV - Poor rock RMR: 21-40	Top heading and bench 1.0-1.5 m advance in top heading. Install support concurrently with excavation, 10 m from face.	Systematic bolts 4-5 m long, spaced 1-1.5 m in crown and walls with wire mesh	100-150 mm in crown and 100 mm in sides.	Light to medium ribs spaced 1.5 m where required.
V – Very poor rock RMR: < 20	Multiple drifts 0.5-1.5 m advance in top heading. Install support concurrently with excavation. Shotcrete as soon as possible after blasting.	Systematic bolts 5-6 m long, spaced 1-1.5 m in crown and walls with wire mesh. Bolt invert.	150-200 mm in crown, 150 mm in sides, and 50 mm on face.	Medium to heavy ribs spaced 0.75 m with steel lagging and forepoling if required. Close invert.

Q- System

Based on an evaluation of a large number of case histories of underground excavations, Barton et al (1974) of the Norwegian Geotechnical Institute proposed a Tunnelling Quality Index (Q) for the determination of rock mass characteristics and tunnel support requirements. The numerical value of the index Q varies on a logarithmic scale from 0.001 to a maximum of 1,000 and is defined by:

$$Q = \frac{RQD}{J_n} \times \frac{J_r}{J_a} \times \frac{J_w}{SRF}$$

Where,

RQD is the Rock Quality Designation

J_n is the Joint set number

J_r is the joint roughness number

J_a is the joint alteration number

J_w is the joint water reduction factor

SRF is the stress reduction factor

Estimated support categories based on the tunnelling quality index Q after Grimstad and Barton, 1993, reproduced from Palmstrom and Broch in 2006. The Chart representing the rock type and support proposed based on the Q-value is given in the Figure below.

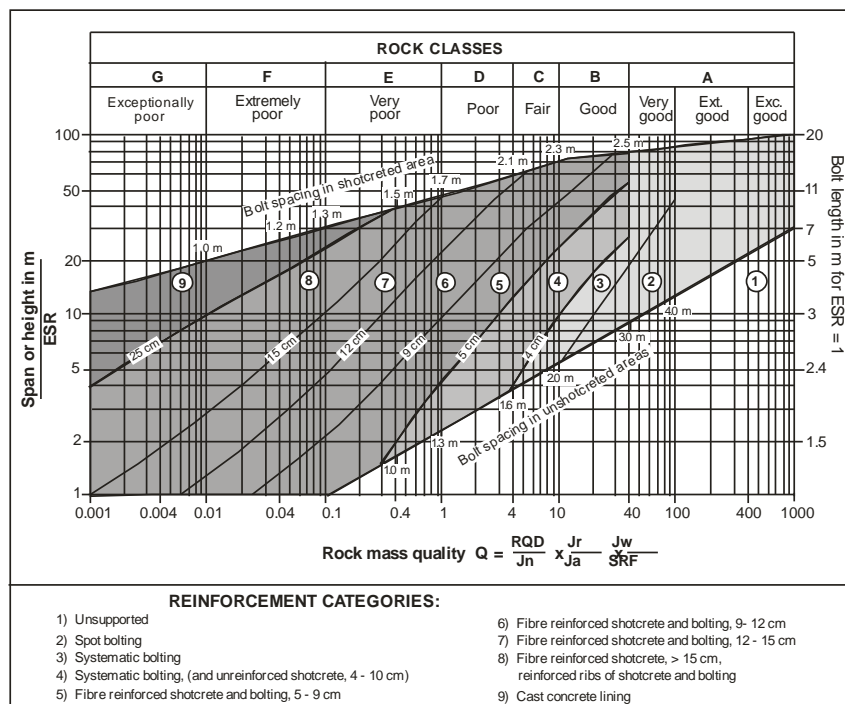


Figure 5 Showing the Rock Type based on Q value.

Thus, following values are interpreted based on considering RMR & Q for classification of Tunnel section.

Table 6 Support Class Recommendation For Tunnel Primary Lining

Support Class	Support Class Listing	Modified Support Class on account of RMR & Q classification	Advance length	Bolt Length (m)	Spacing (m)	M 25 Shotcrete (cm)	Wire Mesh (150 x 150 x 6)	Lattice Girder 70/16/2 5 @ 11.5 kg/m	Fore poling 25 mm dia
1	Unsupported	I	Full face, 3 m advance.	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Spot Bolting			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	Systematic Bolting	II	Full face, 2m advance. Complete support 20 m from face.	3	2.0	5 cm	NA	NA	NA
4	Systematic Bolting and unreinforced shotcrete 4-10 cm			3	2.0	5 cm	NA	NA	NA

5	Fibre Reinforced Shotcrete and bolting 5-9 cm	III	Full face, 2m advance. Complete support 10 m from face. Commence support after each blast.	4	2.0	10 cm	Yes	NA	NA
6	Fibre Reinforced Shotcrete and bolting 9-12 cm			4	2.0	10 cm	Yes	NA	NA
7	Fibre Reinforced Shotcrete and bolting 12-15 cm	IV	Full face, 1.5 m advance. Install support concurrently with excavation, 10 m from face.	4	1.5	15 cm	Yes	Yes	NA
8	Fibre Reinforced Shotcrete > 15 cm reinforced ribs (70/16/25 @ 11.5 kg/m) of shotcrete and bolting			4	1.5	15 cm	Yes	Yes	NA
9	Cast concrete lining	V	Multiple drifts 0.5-1.5 m advance in top heading. Install support concurrently with excavation. Shotcrete as soon as possible after blasting.	6	1.5	20 cm	Yes	Yes	Yes

Following loads are considered for the primary support design in the numerical calculations:

6.1 Earth Pressure

Ground loads on initial stress state given by a maximum overburden according to cross section considered and a coefficient of earth pressure at rest of 0.5 is considered. Ground loads onto the tunnel cross section are calculated by definition of a relaxation factor, which simulates the “volume loss” and stress relaxation due to excavation, followed by a complete relaxation of the ground inside of the excavation area. The earth pressure for the analysis is derived in consideration of overburden and unit weight of rock mass.

6.2 Groundwater pressure

During geotechnical investigations and site visit, it was observed that water in tunnels was limited to dripping conditions (with seasonal occurrences). As the strata is competent, water pressures are not expected to develop beyond tunnel linings. Hence, the tunnels are designed as drained tunnels, for which water pressures are not considered as design load case. Additionally, drainage path with use of waterproofing membrane and drains will ensure that no water pressure builds up on tunnel linings.

6.3 Live load

Any live loads if applicable are considered in the design for the design of primary lining. For these tunnels there are no live loads expected.

6.4 Seismic Load

With regard to the temporary works character of the outer lining (primary support) seismic loading is not applicable here. Whereas the same is considered in permanent lining design.

7 Safety Factors

For all loads relevant to the primary support, a load factor of 1.0 is considered due to the temporary nature of the primary structures.

For design of the primary (temporary) support, the following material factors have been applied:

Table 7

Steel (reinforcement, rock bolts etc.):	1.15(applied to yield strength)
Shotcrete:	1.50

8 Proposed support systems

The following properties of rock support elements are considered for the primary support design:

8.1 Shotcrete

Specified compressive strength after 28 days is corresponding to concrete grade M25, characteristic compressive strength $f_{ck} = 25 \text{ N/mm}^2$, according to IS 456:2000.

Young's modulus: $E = 25000 \text{ MPa}$

Poisson's ratio: $\nu = 0.2$

Unit weight: $\gamma = 24 \text{ kN/m}^3$

8.2 Reinforcement Steel

Steel reinforcement for shotcrete: Wire mesh (welded steel wire fabric): Grade Fe 500D, according to IS 1786:2008

Mesh width: 150 mm x 150 mm; bar diameter – 6mm (according to IS 4948)

Minimum yield strength: $f_y = 500.0 \text{ N/mm}^2$

8.3 Rock Bolts

Fully grouted rock bolts such as SN bolts or self-drilling (SD) bolts are used. SN bolts are considered with tensile capacities as mentioned in drawings and specifications.

8.4 Lattice girders

Lattice girders used in the design are 70/16/25 type three legged systems.

8.5 Fore poling.

Fore poling for the tunnels is proposed with 4m length 25 mm dia bars (min. $F_y = 210 \text{ kN/mm}^2$) having 1m overlap, 300-400 mm c/c distance between bars and 110° coverage at crown.

8.6 Wire mesh with clamps

Wire mesh (hexagonally twisted) with Zinc coating and clamps are provided to bottom two slope to avoid any rock fall on the track. This will arrest any such situation due to natural weathering of rock surface during design life of the project.

9 Calculations

9.1 Results and support summary

The results of the empirical analyses are given in below. Five support classes have been designed corresponding to all anticipated ground types for each tunnel.

Tables below shows the basis of calculation of Q value based on three approaches used for geotechnical assessment,

- a) Geomapping
- b) Drilling data bore logs.

Based on the above-mentioned approaches, support for each tunnel section chainage wise is derived and the adopted value based on average/ most appropriate of these values is concluded.

Tunnel T-8A is 900 m in length. The tunnel has been divided into two sections based on above mentioned parameters. For global stability of portals support class IV of 70 m from Portal-1 ie. 31600 and 100 m from Portal-2 ie. 32500 is proposed at each portal location. On interpolation of all results following is concluded. Similar quantities are computed in Bill of Quantities. It may please be noted that Kinematic analysis of Tunnel-8A is not performed as rock exposures at tunnel portals and intermediate chainage is not fully exposed and the data is not sufficient for analysis and during excavation the geologist engaged may be required to provide adequate measures considering the site condition. However, as per geology and other governing parameters the results and corresponding quantities are considered for present condition.

S.NO.	TUNNEL TYPE	Governing Bore Hole	GEOMAPPING RESULTS	DRILLING RESULTS	Adopted Results	Chainage from	Chainage to	Remarks / Support Type	
Unit	T = TUNNEL	BH No.	Q RATING	Q RATING	Q Rating	m	m	Type	Support
1	TUNNEL-8A	BH-1	1.0-4.0	1.0-40.0	1.0-4.0	31600	31670	Slope Debris with patches of slightly weathered, Basaltic Lava Flow (Basalt) along the profile	SC-IV
		BH-1 & BH-2	4.0-40.0	4.0-10.0	1.0-40.0	31670	31960		SC-III
		BH-1 & BH-2	4.0-40.0	4.0-10.0	1.0-40.0	31960	32110		SC-II
		BH-1 & BH-2	4.0-40.0	4.0-10.0	1.0-40.0	32110	32400		SC-III
		BH-2	1.0-4.0	4.0-10.0	4.0-10.0	32400	32500		SC-IV

Table 8 PRIMARY LINING OF TUNNEL -8A BASED ON Q SYSTEM

10 Secondary Lining Approach and Methodology

The initial shotcrete lining for a NATM tunnel is designed and installed as temporary support for carrying ground loads induced by tunnel excavation. The initial shotcrete lining may degrade over time, particularly in aggressive environments due to the corrosion of steel reinforcement subject to high chloride conditions or deterioration of the shotcrete because of the presence of sulphates in the ground or groundwater. This degradation of the initial shotcrete lining causes redistributions of stresses and strains or loads in the lining and adjacent ground, and possibly additional deformation of the lining. As a result of the degradation and additional deformation of the initial lining, the loads originally developed in

the initial lining will redistribute to both the adjacent ground and secondary lining over the long term.

The magnitude of load transferred from the initial lining to the secondary lining, also called the load sharing, depends on many factors, including:

- Available bond and normal and shear stiffness of the interface
- Ground conditions such as rock mass strength/stiffness
- Relative stiffness between the initial and secondary linings
- In situ stress conditions such as the ratio of horizontal-to-vertical stresses (K_0)
- Tunnel shape (e.g., circular and horseshoe shaped).

The secondary lining extrados will be in contact with the waterproofing membrane and potential groundwater in the event of a breach of the waterproofing membrane. The intrados is exposed to the internal atmospheric conditions of the individual tunnel cross passage. The primary deterioration mechanism which risks secondary lining durability is carbonation. Secondary lining extrados is not accessible for visual inspection and/or repair while the intrados will be accessible for inspection, monitoring, and maintenance but only during limited planned engineering possessions of the tunnel.

The sprayed concrete primary lining is a temporary element which is to stabilise the ground during the construction period, providing support until the permanent secondary lining is installed. The primary lining has no permanent support function.

The secondary tunnel lining is designed after considering the factors like the deformation modulus, UCS, loads acting on an approach that enables the specific characteristics of a tunnel lining implemented using numerical modelling to be considered during its design.

11 Design loads and safety factors

Following loads are considered for the primary support design in the numerical calculations:

11.1 Earth Pressure

Ground loads on initial stress state given by a maximum overburden according to cross section considered and a coefficient of earth pressure at rest of 0.5 is considered. The earth pressure for the analysis is derived in consideration of overburden and unit weight of rock mass.

11.2 Live loads

Any live loads if applicable are considered in the design for the design of primary lining. For these tunnels there are no live loads expected.

11.3 Seismic loading

The project area lies in Zone 2 as per IS 1893-I (2002). The earthquake loading is applied as per the code and vertical seismic coefficient used for analysis is 0.06 and horizontal seismic coefficient used is 0.04.

11.4 Groundwater pressure

For “drained” tunnels, water pressures are not considered as design load case as the water in tunnels is observed in dripping conditions only with seasonal appearance. Additionally, drainage system in tunnel shall ensure that no water pressure builds up.

11.5 Safety Factors

For all loads relevant to the secondary support, a load factor of 1.3 will be considered due to the permanent nature of the secondary lining.

For design of the secondary (permanent) support, the following material factors have been applied:

Table 9

Steel (reinforcement etc.)	1.15(applied to yield strength)
Concrete:	1.50

12 Proposed support systems

The following properties of rock support elements are considered for the secondary support design:

12.1 PCC lining

The stretches of tunnels which are in good rock conditions were analyzed for stresses expected on lining and PCC lining is proposed where there are no stresses expected and rock mass undergoes full relaxation during application of primary support. The compressive strength of PCC lining proposed is M30 after 28 days, characteristic compressive strength $f_{ck} = 30 \text{ N/mm}^2$, according to IS 456:2000.

For Grade III rock, PCC Lining was modelled in RS2 software for the worst Geotechnical Parameters and the resultant forces & Moments are checked for the adequacy of the PCC lining. The Model is attached in this report below.

12.2 RCC lining

RCC lining is proposed for Support Class -IV of tunnel from both ends i.e., tunnel portals to provide stiffer openings to the tunnel entrance and to cater the possibility of finding weathered rock at low overburden region. Additionally, where the tunnels are going through weaker rock strata and ground has capacity to relax in long term the RCC lining is proposed. The steel used is Fe 500/Fe500D as per IS 1786: 2008.

For Grade V rock (weaker and weathered rock types), RCC Lining was proposed and modelled in RS2 software for the worst geotechnical parameters encountered in the project and the resultant forces & moments are checked for the adequacy of the RCC lining. The Model is attached in this report.

13 Calculations

13.1 Numerical Modelling

The software used for the numerical analysis is the two-dimensional finite element software RS2 version 9 from Rocscience. This software is intended for 2D elasto-plastic finite element stress analysis for underground excavations in rock or soil.

13.1.1 Material models

Material models are used to describe the behaviour of the ground that is suitable constitutive laws to account for the elastic, as well as inelastic ranges of the respective materials.

The material behaviour of the ground is simulated according to the material law of Mohr-Coulomb in this project.

13.1.2 Ground Loads – Representation of the Construction Sequence

Tunnel excavation causes a disturbance of the initial stress state in the ground and creates a three-dimensional stress regime in the form of a bulb (arching effect) around the advancing tunnel face.

The extent of the stress disturbance around an active heading depends mainly on ground conditions, size of the excavation and length of round. The design according to NATM principles dictates limits on excavation size and length of round and prescribes installation of primary support elements immediately after the excavation of each individual round. Primary support elements are therefore installed within the region of a load-carrying arch around the newly created opening in the region where some pre-deformation has occurred.

As the excavation of the tunnel advances the shotcrete hardens from an initially “green” shotcrete and becomes fully loaded at a certain distance from the face. Such sequencing combined with the early support installation contributes to the development of the self-supporting capability of the ground. It further helps in minimizing deformations and ground loosening. It is therefore important to portray the excavation and support sequencing closely in the numerical analyses.

Further, to design the secondary lining, it is assumed that the primary lining does not exist, and the stresses post relaxation of rock are taken by the secondary lining itself. Details of ground type with corresponding support class have been summarized in table given below.

Table 10 Ground type and associated excavation sequences

Ground Type	Support class	Excavation method
Grade I	As specified in the drawings	Full face
Grade II	As specified in the drawings	Full face
Grade III	As specified in the drawings	Full face
Grade IV	As specified in the drawings	Full face / Heading & Benching
Grade V	As specified in the drawings	Heading and Benching

Table 11 Calculation stages for numerical analyses

Stage No.	Description of calculation stages
1	Grid set up and initial stress field
2	Face Excavation
3	Application of Primary Support Shotcrete, wire mesh, lattice girder rock bolt (only if the deformation in the rock pass is resulting in plasticization of ground near the tunnel)
4	Deactivation of primary support and application of secondary support.

13.1.3 Limit state analysis

The analysis for secondary lining is performed for limit state with required factor of safety of 1.5.

13.1.4 Lining Forces

From the numerical analyses, sectional forces (axial forces and shear forces) and bending moments of the lining are evaluated. The combinations of these sectional forces and bending moments are used to evaluate the capacity of the lining.

Based on this evaluation, the adequacy of the lining thickness and its reinforcement (if any) is assessed. The lining will be reinforced as required by the analysis.

The structural design is carried out in accordance with IS 456:2000 Plain and Reinforced Concrete Code of Practice and EN 1992-2005.

Partial safety factors for materials for ultimate limit states are adopted according to Indian codes IS 456- 2000.

Table 12 Partial factors for materials for ULS

Load Combination	Concrete	Reinforcement Steel
Ordinary Load Combination	1.5	1.15

The minimum concrete covers to all reinforcement (main and distribution reinforcing bars) considering the exposure conditions are adopted as follows:

- Concrete exposed to earth (external face) 50 mm /75 mm for foundation.
- Concrete not exposed to earth (internal face) 50 mm.

14 Results

14.1.1 Roc Support

Given the tunnel radius, in-situ stress conditions, rock parameters and support parameters, a ground reaction curve and a support reaction curve are calculated. The intersection of these curves determines a factor of safety for the support system. Account for long term tunnel behaviour by applying a strength reduction factor to obtain a long-term Ground Reaction Curve.

For Grade IV and Grade V, at maximum overburden depth and tunnel portals, the analysis has been done and the results are shown below, Factor of safety of 3.56 is achieved with given parameters.

(a) Max. Ht at tunnel height of 40 m

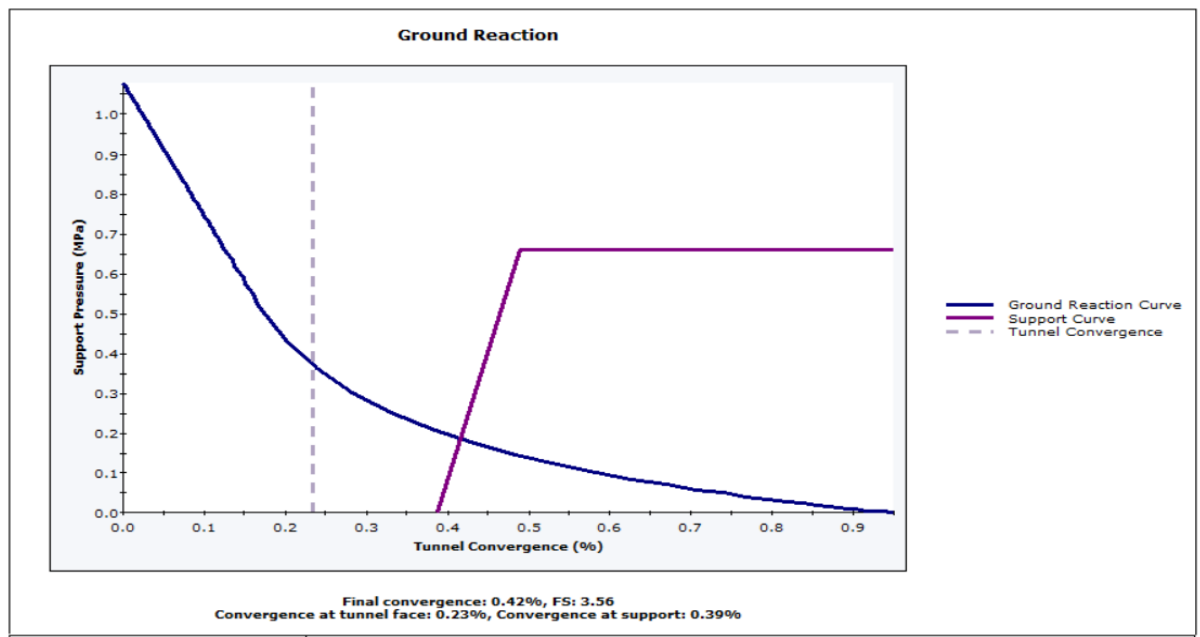


Figure 6 Roc Support Software for Grade IV

15 Portal Slopes Design basis and working

15.1 RDSO Standards for portal design

The evaluation of portal locations for mountain tunnels is among the most crucial considerations during route selection and structural layout planning. The development of spatial information technology has provided a more objective approach for assessing the slope stability of potential portal sites. An empirical method suggested by RDSO, for an infinite slope was integrated into the geographical information system for evaluating the stability of critical wedges. The proposed method provides a reasonable estimation comparable with that provided by the stability software's. The results of applying this method to tunnel portals where slope instability is significant. For potential portal site evaluation, the proposed method facilitates the rapid estimation of safety factors for various slope designations, which is useful for site selection. Tunnel proposed at Ratlam-Khandwa section; therefore, number of portals (one at each end) need to be analysed for structure stability.

Slope failure of cuttings is a complex phenomenon. The failure of rock slopes is controlled by geological features such as bedding planes and joints which divide the rock body up into a discontinuous mass. Under these conditions, the failure path in rocks is normally defined by one or more of the discontinuities. However, in the case of soil, a strongly defined structural pattern does not exist and therefore, the failure surface is free to find the path of least resistance through the slope.

16 Slope Stability

The slope stability is discussed for soils and rocks separately.

16.1 Soils

Failure in soils is rather simple i.e., circular in homogeneous materials & non-circular or planar in layered soils. In general, failure along a non-circular surface can be anticipated if the soil deposit is non-homogeneous or if there are discontinuities within the slope. A predominantly planar slip surface may be expected in shallow natural slopes. Failure generally takes place along slip surfaces parallel to the slope.

The stability of any slope is governed by several factors such as the nature of materials comprising the slope, the history of slope formation, the movement of water through the soil and the steepness of the slope. The most common type of failure in soil is that due to sliding and it is often referred to as a shear failure along a surface of sliding. The tendency for instability or failure is a consequence of gravity (self-weight of the soil or soils comprising the slope) and any other external loads (e.g., a structure on the crest of the slope, water pressure in tension cracks or an earth tremor). This tendency is resisted by the shear strength of the soil or soils comprising the slope. In a stable slope there is no continuous surface along which the average shear strength is less than the average shear stress caused by gravitational and external loads. Zones of overstress could be the starting points for local, partial, or complete failure. The formation and propagation of such zones is sometimes crucial for the safety of a soil mass. To understand the conditions governing stability fully, it is useful to consider geological, geotechnical, and environmental factors.

The soil adjacent to the ground and slope surfaces may be quite strong but there may be a bedding plane or a fault or an ancient surface of sliding within the slope. An understanding of local geology facilitates possible detection of such features at a given site.

The shear strength that can be mobilized is governed by the permeability characteristics and the extent of drainage and volume change that can take place. Such geotechnical factors require careful attention. Infiltration of water due to rainfall increases pore water pressure and reduces the shear strength. Often slope failures occur because of heavy or prolonged rainfall.

Environmental changes near a sloping area such as deforestation, urbanization and construction of reservoirs often lead to increases in pore water pressure and other effects such as soil erosion. Filling of valleys may also disturb the natural drainage characteristics of a sloping area and contribute to instability.

It is further observed that there is no persistent ground water present across the tunnels. Seasonal dripping of water was observed at some places which is ignored for analysis purposes. K_0 (gravity field stress ratio) is considered as 0.5 for analysis purposes. Distinction must be made between short-term and long-term stability conditions, especially for slopes of cohesive soil. In the field, the end of construction situation is usually a short-term stability condition. The long-term condition is when 'excess' or 'transient' pore water pressures within a slope are fully dissipated. However, the long-term condition of equilibrium may be reached in the field after many months or years depending on the thickness of cohesive soil, its coefficient of permeability and other factors. For cuts, excavations and natural slopes, critical stability is in the long term when the factor of safety is a minimum.

Unloading or excavation causes negative excess pore water pressure. Consequently, the total pore water pressure has its lowest value at the end of construction and shear strength has its highest value at the time. In the long term, the negative excess pore water pressure reduces to zero, the total pore water pressure is increased, and the shear strength is, therefore, decreased. It is obvious that the stability of an excavation is reduced in the long term from the condition at the end of construction.

The complete dissipation of excess pore water pressures in a cohesive soil may take many years. In cohesionless soils like sand, excess pore water pressures are dissipated so rapidly that there is no need to distinguish between short-term and long-term conditions based on pore water pressure and drainage. However, this is true of static loading only. Significant excess pore water pressures may develop in such soils during earthquakes resulting in dramatic loss of shear strength.

16.2 Rocks

The properties of intact rock are changed dramatically by the presence of discontinuities such as joints, faults, and fractures. These discontinuities are planes of weakness across which there is little or no tensile strength. In essence, discontinuities break the cohesive bonds across distinct planes in the rock. On a local scale, this may cause the tensile strength to drop to zero and will usually cause significant reductions in shear strength as well as large increases in permeability. On a regional scale, discontinuities are largely responsible for the distinctive drainage patterns and major erosional features that are characteristic of faulted and jointed terrain.

In rocks, most slope failures are controlled by ever present discontinuities. Slope failures will propagate depending on the extent, pattern and types of discontinuities present in the rock mass. The orientation of these discontinuities in combination with the natural face of rock, shall bring about one or more failure mechanisms that may involve free fall, sliding or rotation of rock blocks. Therefore, discontinuities are critical for identification of potential failure mechanism in fractured rock masses. Important characteristics of discontinuities influencing the strength are orientation, spacing, size & shape of block, roughness, aperture, its in-fillings, wall strength, wall coating, and seepage through them.

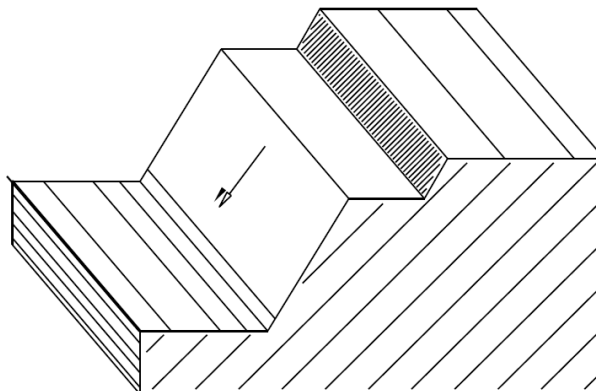
A rock mass may display one or more modes of failure depending on following factors:

- a) Presence or absence of discontinuities
- b) Orientation of discontinuities in relation to that of the natural or excavated face
- c) Discontinuity spacing in one and three dimensions.
- d) Shear strength of discontinuity walls
- e) Persistence of discontinuities

Modes of Rock Failure at Portals:

- a) **Plane Failure:** It occurs when a geological discontinuity such as a bedding plane, strikes parallel to the slope face and dips into the excavation at an angle greater than the angle of friction. This is the one of the simplest modes of failure. For plane failure to occur in slopes there must be lateral release surfaces that will allow a block of finite size to slide out of the face. It occurs rarely in rock slopes.

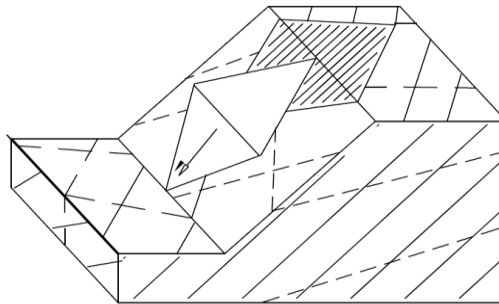
PLANE FAILURE



- b) **Wedge Failure:** When two discontinuities strike obliquely across the slope face, the wedge of rock resting on these discontinuities will slide down the line of intersection,

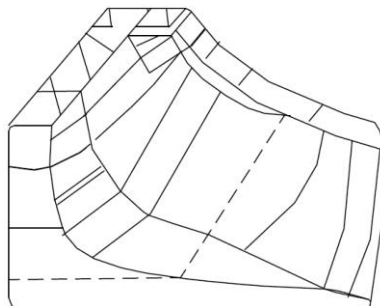
provided that the inclination of this line is significantly greater than angle friction. This is most dangerous mode of failure since no release surfaces are required. The calculation of factor in this case is more complicated than that for plane failure since the base areas of both failure planes as well as the normal forces on the planes must be calculated.

WEDGE FAILURE



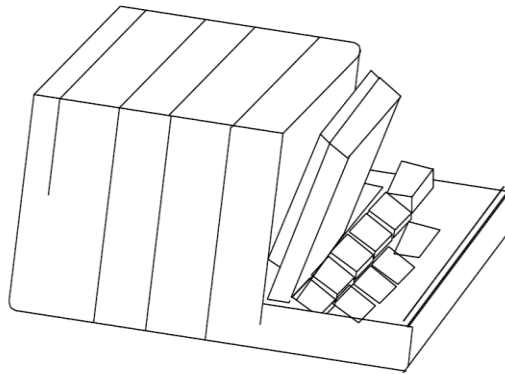
- c) Circular Failure: It occurs when material is very weak or rock mass is heavily jointed or broken, the failure will be defined by a single discontinuity surface but will tend to follow a circular failure path. When the pattern of discontinuities is random circular failure modes are likely.

CIRCULAR FAILURE

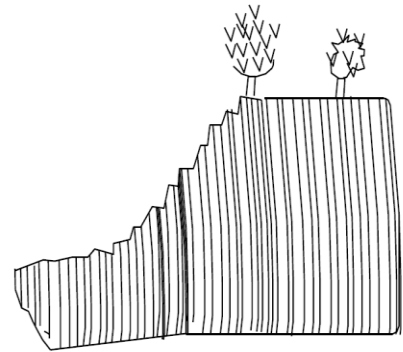


- d) Toppling Failure: It occurs when vector representing the weight of block falls within the base, and inclination of plane is greater than angle of friction. Also, when rock block is tall and slender (height > width), the weight vector can fall outside the base and when this happens the block will topple i.e., it will rotate about its lowest contact edge. Toppling failure involves either one or a combination of flexural toppling and block toppling. Flexural toppling involves the overturning of rock layers like a series of cantilever beams. Block toppling involves the overturning of fracture-bounded blocks as rigid columns rather than having to fail in flexure.

BLOCK TOPPLING

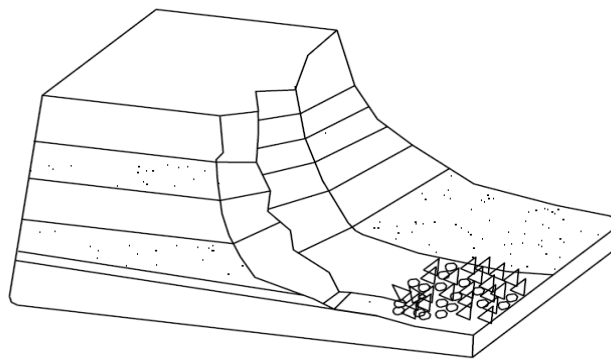


FLEXURAL TOPPLING



- e) Rock Falls: Rock falls consist of free-falling blocks of different sizes which are detached from a steep rock face. The block movement includes bouncing, rolling, sliding and fragmentation. The problem in design of slopes from viewpoint of rock fall is the prediction of the paths and the trajectories of the unstable blocks which detach from the rock slope so that suitable protection measures are constructed well in advance.

ROCKFALLS



17 Design Methodology

It involves the design of following components:

- Slopes- RDSO standard slopes has been provided as per the Geotech classification based on Geomapping, Geophysical, bore log details and site photographs.
- Benching/Berms – RDSO standard for rocks minimum berm width of 4-6 m. It is advisable to provide berms in soil slopes at every 6 to 7 m height to break monotony of slopes. Width of first berm from formation may be kept as 5 m and that of subsequent berms as 4 m. In cuttings where soil-strata are in top portion and weathered/jointed rock in bottom portion, it is essential to provide 5 to 6 m berm at soil-rock interface.
- erosion and slope protection work – providing retaining walls, steel wire net with u clamps and providing berms at adequate height interval.

d) side drains- Side drain width is generally standard 1.2 m wide on top, 0.6 m at bottom. The depth is min 0.3 m, with deeper drains as per longitudinal slope depending upon length of cutting. Sub-surface longitudinal drains may be required where blanket layer has been provided.

e) boundary drains- Rainfall, percolation or streams that flow outside the boundaries of the cutting have a grave potential of affecting the behaviour of the cutting in immediate or even distant future. Effective steps need to be taken to avert any eventuality of ingress of any such water that has not been catered for in the design. This job is to be accomplished by provision of boundary or peripheral drains. These drains are also called catch water drains.

18 Analysis Results

This is the preliminary stage design based on the data available from Geological mapping, and Geotechnical investigations. The models in RS2 have been analysed in piezometric conditions due to presence of water.

Table 13 FOS PORTAL SLOPE TUNNEL-8A

Portal Slope Type	V:H	Support Recommended	Factor of Safety (Should be > 1.4 Static Case,>1.1 for Seismic Case)
Portal P-1 /P-2 Tunnel-8A	3 V: 1 H	100 mm shotcrete + Wiremesh 150x150x6 mm along with spot bolting and array of relief holes and perforated drainage pipe	1.42 (Static) 1.17 (Seismic), Hence OK.

Hence following supports are provided in portal drawings.

1. The detailed analyses must be carried out during detailed design and further modifications can be made during construction stage based on the site conditions.
2. Excavated slope surface is assumed to be free draining and no water pressure shall be allowed to be built up behind the shotcrete sealing or in the ground close to the excavated face. For this, drainage measures such as drainage drillings and/or weep holes must be applied. It is critically important to implement and maintain proper drainage arrangement along the excavated slopes during the execution of the project.
3. The slope stability analyses are carried out for critical sections for portals. Any change in the portal location from what have been analysed would require rework of slope stability analysis.
4. Monitoring program including inclinometers and survey points shall be implemented during construction stage to detect any possible creeping or slope movements.

19 Portal cross- sections

Major rock cuts require detailed subsurface investigation to know the type & condition of rock strata before taking up the excavation. As and when excavation progresses, additional

geological information helps in deciding rock slope, at various levels, by carrying out tests like compressive strength, petrographic examination of samples, soundness tests etc.

The blasting in rock strata plays a very significant role in slope stability. Uncontrolled blasting often results in shattering of rock mass, by means of opening of joints, developments of tension cracks, rough, uneven contours, overbreak's, overhangs etc. The results of blast shock wave, along various discontinuities can lead to loosening of the rock.

Rough guide for adopting the slopes or cuts in rock is given in table below. In adopting this table, caution must be exercised and such factors as the influence of dip in relation to the inclination of the slope face, the nature of joints etc. must be kept specially in mind. However, it would lead to safer and economical rock slopes if proper design methods are adopted to evaluate the stability of rock slopes as well.

Berms are provided to divide the long slopes into segments of short slopes which reduce pressure at the toe of the cuts, thus increasing the stability.

Slope cuts have been analysed by correlating their geotechnical properties with the range of permissible slope, and berms with bench heights as per RDSO standards. The cross section in tunnel approach both sides for 50 m is computed at the next page. Also, RDSO recommends 1:2 (H: V) in mixed Basalt rock conditions and same has been analysed with support system for calculation of factor of safety

Sl. No.	Rock Type	Range of permissible slope (H : V)
A.	Sedimentary Rocks	
1.	Massive sand stones and lime stones	0.25 : 1 to 0.50 : 1
2.	Jointed/Inter bedded/Layered sand stones, lime stone & shales	0.50 : 1 to 0.75 : 1
3.	Massive clay stone and silt stone	0.75 : 1 to 1 : 1
B.	Igneous Rocks	
1.	Massive Granites & Basalts	0.25 : 1
2.	Jointed Granite, Jointed Basalt	0.50 : 1
C.	Metamorphic Rocks	
1.	Gneiss, Schist and Marble	0.25 : 1 to 0.50 : 1
2.	Slate	0.50 : 1 to 0.75 : 1
D.	Weathered Rocks (All types)	1:1

Figure 7 Slope recommendation for slope stability

20 Conclusion

The rock support systems for Tunnel T-8A are so provided such that it satisfies the factor of safety criteria. Analysis result shows that at portal slopes are stable.

The geotechnical parameters considered for the analyses are sensitive to the site conditions and susceptible to further modifications during construction stage.

Excavated slope surface is assumed to be free draining and no water pressure shall be allowed to be built up behind the shotcrete sealing or in the ground close to the excavated face. For this, drainage measures such as drainage drillings and/or weep holes must be applied. It is critically important to implement and maintain proper drainage arrangement along the excavated slopes during the execution of the project.

The slope stability analyses are carried out for critical sections for portals. Any change in the portal location from what have been analysed would require rework of slope stability analysis.

Monitoring program including inclinometers and survey points shall be implemented during construction stage to detect any possible creeping or slope movements.

21 Construction Methodology for Tunnel T-8A

21.1 NATM Tunnel with drilling and blasting

NATM is recommended for this tunnel, as nearly all the tunnel sections are identified with hard rock masses, drilling and controlled blasting is proposed for tunnels with rock class III.

The construction methodology for “NATM Tunnel with drilling and blasting” includes following steps:

1. Excavating the ground profile at 3V:1H in layers of depth 2m at a time and providing support arrangement at the slope for slope stability as mentioned in report and detailed slope arrangement drawings before each next layer of excavation.
2. Ensuring provision of relief holes and perforated drainage pipe wrapped in geotextile membranes as Tunnel-8A is having water level at shallow depth.
3. Once the portal construction is complete, tunnel construction will commence.
4. False Portal shall be prepared as specified in drawings and portal support class to be followed for tunnel construction commencement.
5. Afterwards Line positioning.
6. drilling, loading, and controlled blasting.
7. dust removal by ventilation.
8. Installing primary supports such as shotcrete and spot bolts, wherever required. The support system may vary as per the site's geological conditions and on recommendation of engineering geologist.
9. building the RCC lining as per support class by the secondary lining using moveable shuttering.

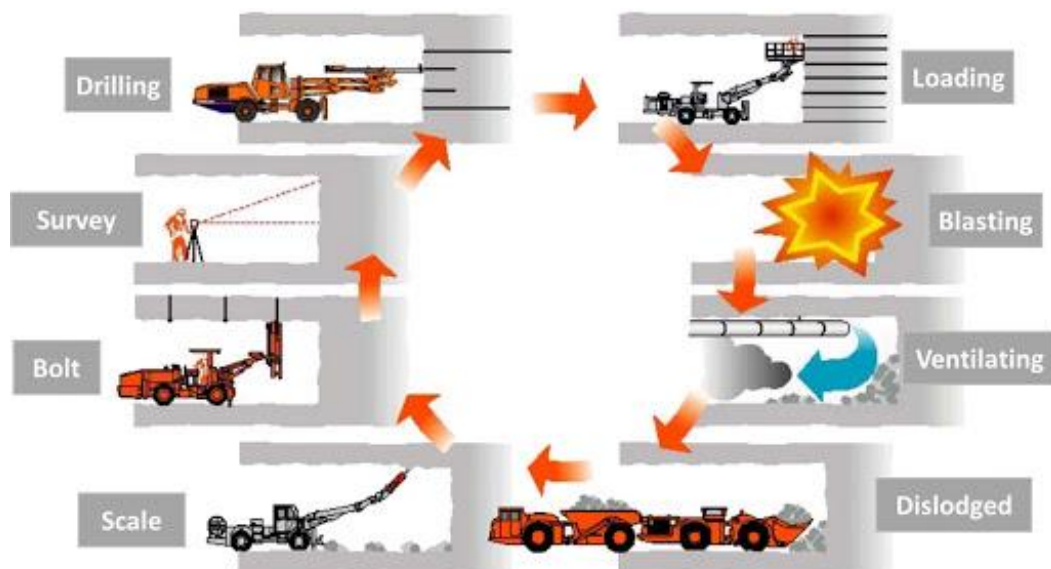


Figure 8 Construction Methodology for NATM Tunnels with mechanical excavation and drilling blasting.

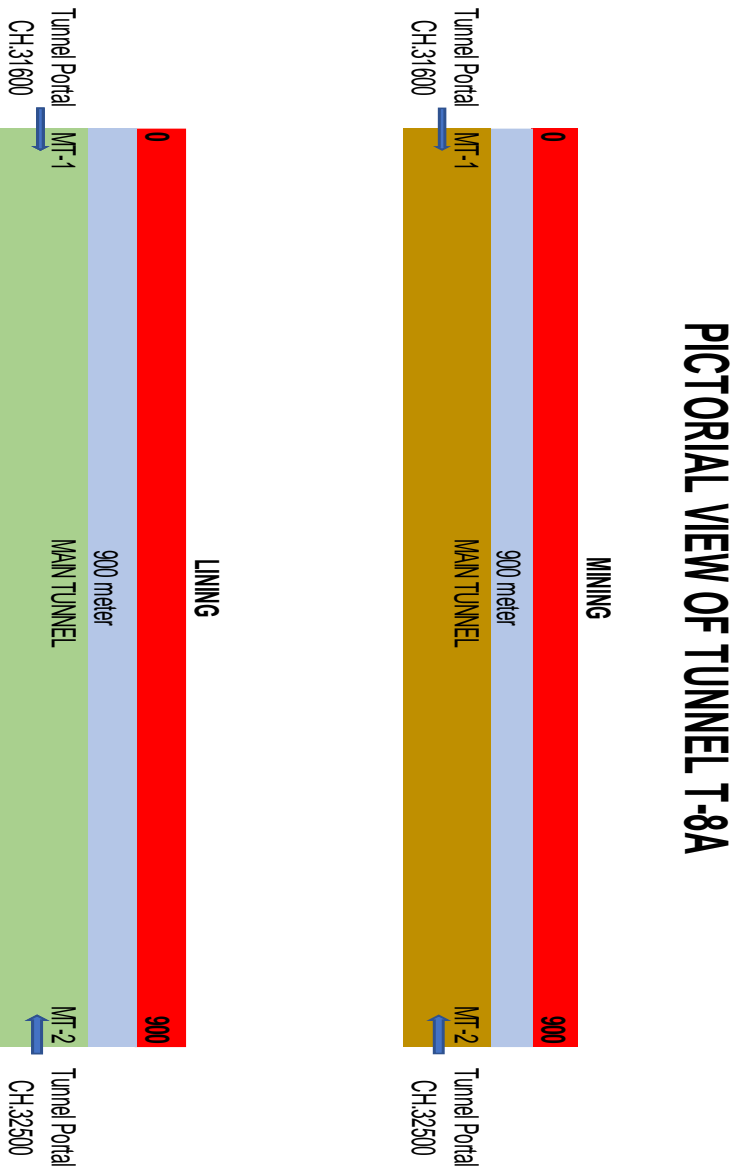


Figure 9 Construction Methodology planning from each phases as per Support class recommended

22 CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM CYCLE TIME ACCORDING TO VARIOUS ROCKCLASS

MAIN TUNNEL							
Sr. No	Activity Description	Units	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5
1	Survey & Marking	Minutes	60	60	60	60	60
2	Drilling	Minutes	133	93	97	75	0
3	Loading	Minutes	45	45	40	35	0
4	Blast	Minutes	5	5	5	5	0
5	Defuming	Minutes	30	30	30	30	30
6	Mucking	Minutes	191	130	135	110	115
7	Scaling	Minutes	30	30	30	30	0
8	Excavation of Face by Twin Cutter	Minutes	0	0	0	0	240
9	R/bolts & Forepoles	Minutes	0	33	44	53	181
10	Lattice girder	Minutes	0	0	0	60	90
11	W/mesh	Minutes	0	0	30	45	60
12	S.crete	Minutes	102	101	107	123	128
13	Down Time of Equipment	Minutes	90	90	90	90	90
14	Total Time	Minutes	686	618	668	717	994
15	Time to complete 01 cycle	Hrs	11.4	10.3	11.1	11.9	16.6
	Pull achieved	Mtr	3.0	2.0	2.0	1.5	1.5
Progress Achieved considering 20 hrs/Day		Mtr	5.3	3.9	3.6	2.5	1.8
Tunnel T-8A							
Length of Rock classification		Mtr	0	150	580	170	0
No. of Days required		Days	0	39	161	68	0
Progress per month (considering 28 days/month)		Mtr	147	109	101	70	51
Time taken		Months	0.00	1.38	5.77	2.42	0.00
Total Time Taken to complete the tunnel		Months	9.56				
Average Progress / month		Mtr	94				

23 CALCULATION OF CYCLE TIME

23.1 ROUND LENGTH FOR SUPPORT CLASS I TO V

Description	Unit	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5
Area of face	Sq. m	51.04	52.11	54.17	54.17	56.56
Area including swelling factor (1.5 to 1.63%)	Sq. m	76.56	78.165	81.255	88.2971	92.1928
Drilling of 1 m hole by boomer	Seconds	40	40	40	40	0
Removing drill rod from hole	Seconds	5	5	5	5	0
Placing rod for other hole	Seconds	5	5	5	5	0
Drilling of one complete hole	Seconds	134.4	89.6	89.6	67.2	0
Drilling length for one hole to achieve the desired pull	M	3.4	2.2	2.2	1.7	1.7
Total Time for one hole	Seconds	144.4	99.6	99.6	77.2	0
Total Time for one hole	Minutes	2.41	1.66	1.66	1.29	0.00
Excavation of Face by Twin Cutter/Road header	Minutes					240
Pull achieved	M	3	2	2	1.5	1.5
No. of holes to be drilled in face	No's.	110	113	117	117	0
Total time taken for Face drilling	Minutes	265	187	194	151	0
Drilling time by 2 booms	Minutes	133	93	97	75	0
Loading of face	Minutes	45	45	40	35	0
Blast	Minutes	5	5	5	5	0
Defuming	Minutes	30	30	30	30	30
Total volume of muck for the desired pull incl. swelling factor	Sq. m	229.68	156.33	162.51	132.45	138.29

23.2 MUCKING TIME CALCULATIONS

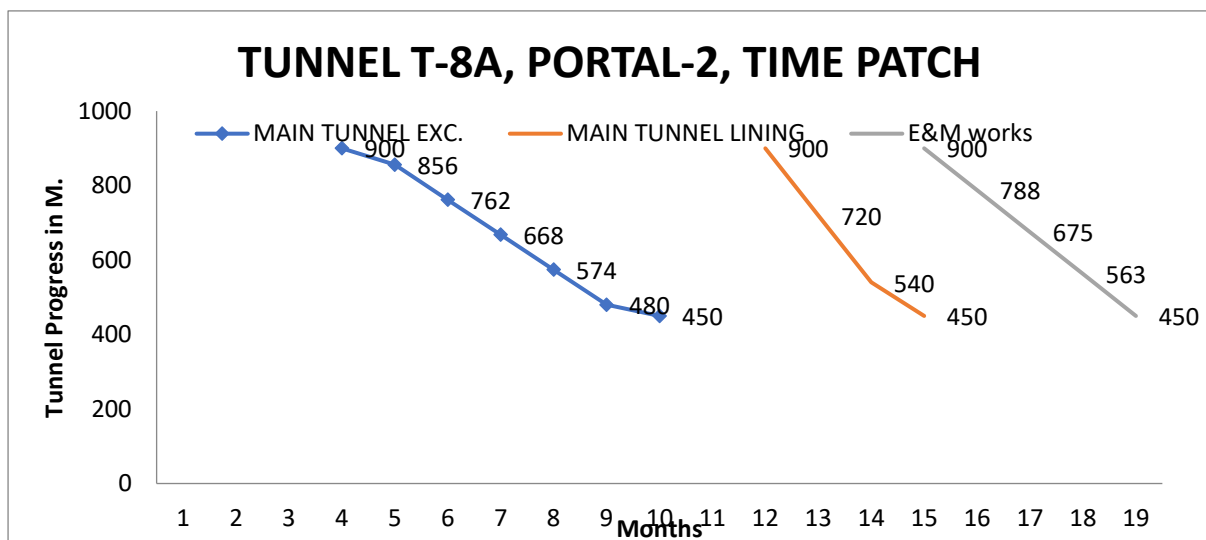
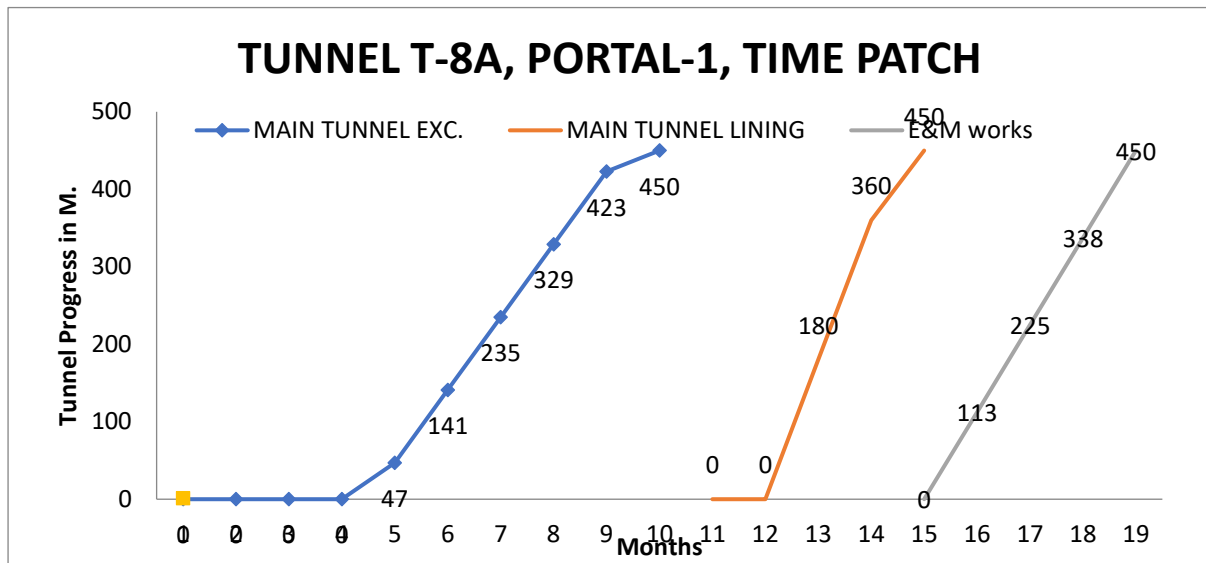
Activity Description	Units	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5
Assume Lead (Open + Tunnel)	Km	3	3	3	3	3
Excavator capacity	Cum/hr	45	45	45	45	45
Dumper capacity	cum/hr	10	10	10	10	10
Positioning of dumper	Min.	2	2	2	2	2
Loading of dumper	Min.	13	13	13	13	13
Travelling @ 15Km/hr	Min	8	8	8	8	8
Unloading of dumper	Min.	2	2	2	2	2
Return @20Km/hr	Min.	6	6	6	6	6
Misc. Time	Min.	2	2	2	2	2
Total Time	Min.	33	33	33	33	33
Qty. of muck hauled per unit per hour	Cum	18	18	18	18	18
Total vol. of muck	Cum	230	156	163	132	138
Assuming Dumpers	no's	4	4	4	4	4
Time taken to complete the muck	Hr	3.19	2.17	2.26	1.84	1.92

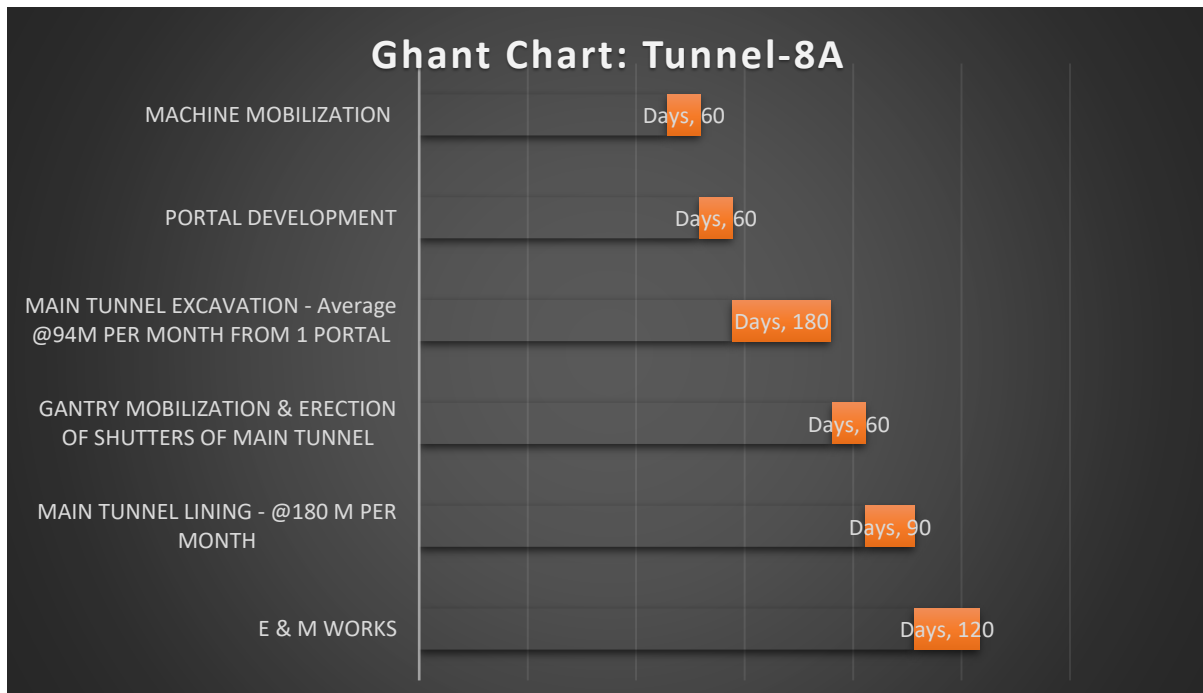
23.3 ROCK SUPPORT TIME CALCULATIONS

Description	Unit	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Column1
		R/Bolts	R/Bolts	R/Bolts	R/Bolts	R/Bolts	Forepoles
Drilling of 1 m hole by boomer	Seconds		40	40	40	40	40
Removing drill rod from hole	Seconds		5	5	5	5	5
Placing rod for other hole	Seconds		5	5	5	5	5
Drilling of 3 m hole	Seconds		120				
Drilling of 4 m hole	Seconds			160	160		160
Drilling of 6 m hole	Seconds					240	
Total Time for one hole	Seconds		130	170	170	250	170
Inserting R.bolts incl. Resin capsules	Seconds		120	120	120	150	120
Total Time for one hole	Min.		4.17	4.83	4.83	6.67	4.83
No. of R/bolts	No's		8	9	11	9	25
Total Time	Min.	0	33	44	53	60	121

Other Supports in Tunnel T-8A							
Activity Description	Units	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Mechanical Excavation
Lattice Girder	Minutes	0	0	0	60	90	60
Wiremesh	Minutes	0	0	30	45	60	60
Shotcrete	Minutes						
Surface area for shotcrete	M ²	20.2	20.2	20.3	20.43	21.07	21.07
Thickness of shotcrete	mm	50	50	100	200	200	200
Qty. of shotcrete /mtr	Cum	1.0	1.0	2.0	4.1	4.2	4.2
Qty. of shotcrete for one round length	Cum	3.03	2.02	4.06	6.13	6.32	3.16
Shotcrete M/c set-up	Minutes	30	30	30	30	30	30
T.M arriving time from B/Plant (Parallel activity)	Minutes	0	0	0	0	0	0
T.M positioning	Minutes	5	5	5	10	10	5
Shotcrete Spraying assume 30m ³ /hr	Minutes	16.515	16.010	22.030	33.065	38.161	16.580
Shotcrete Machine removing	Minutes	20	20	20	20	20	20
Total Time taken	Minutes	72	71	77	93	98	72
Breakdown/ Maintenance	Minutes	30	30	30	30	30	30
Final Time taken	Minutes	102	101	107	123	128	102

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The Total time for construction of Tunnel-8A is calculated to be 19 months if the scheme recommended is followed judiciously.

24 Objective of Ventilation in tunnels

The objective of the ventilation report is to assess the tunnel for requirement of artificial ventilation. The report discusses the allowable pollutants (dust in the tunnel and polluting gases) in various case scenarios such as while tunnel is empty, when a train has travelled with a diesel locomotive and in case of fire. For each of these cases, it is assessed that whether artificial ventilation is required or not. Further, an assessment is made on the required jet fan specifications for ventilation purposes. As the tunnel length is 900 m, ventilation system is not required. **Annexure-3** (Not Applicable in this tunnel)

25 Item Rate Cost Estimate of Tunnel-8A (Civil Works, E&M, Ventilation)

The item rate cost estimate is based on 3 LAR's of recently awarded tunnel contracts based on Item Rate Model whose DPR and Tender preparation is done By RITES Limited. Western Railways is requested to review the cost estimate and provide LAR of the tunnel contracts in their section to finalize the cost estimate, as per Railway guidelines, first priority in referring to LAR for cost estimate shall be given to the similar section in nearby territory in which contract is to be awarded. **Refer Annexure-4** for details.

26 Recommendation

While open cutting is often considered a practical approach in regions with minimal overburden and flat terrain due to lower initial construction costs and simplicity, the decision to propose a tunnel in this case is based on a thorough assessment of site-specific technical and operational considerations:

1. Future Maintenance Optimization

Open cuts, particularly in areas with significant precipitation, demand extensive maintenance, including erosion control, slope stabilization, and removal of debris. In contrast, a tunnel offers a more durable solution by eliminating the need for frequent interventions to address weather-induced wear or slope instability. This significantly reduces the lifecycle costs of the infrastructure.

2. Hydrological Challenges and Dewatering Efficiency

During the monsoon season, open cuts are prone to substantial water ingress due to surface runoff and groundwater exposure. Managing this requires extensive dewatering systems, which are operationally intensive and add to maintenance complexity. A tunnel, being an enclosed structure, minimizes water accumulation, relying primarily on controlled drainage systems, thereby offering a more predictable and manageable solution.

3. Geotechnical Stability and Safety

The geological profile of the region suggests the likelihood of loose or fragmented rock strata, particularly in areas with weathered or fractured zones. Open cuts in such conditions are susceptible to rockfalls and slope failures, posing safety risks during construction and operation. A tunnel mitigates these risks by stabilizing the surrounding rock through engineered lining systems, ensuring a higher degree of safety and structural reliability.

4. Environmental and Aesthetic Considerations

Tunnels typically have a reduced environmental footprint compared to extensive cuts, which may involve significant deforestation, land acquisition, and ecological disruption. Furthermore, the visual and acoustic impacts of rail infrastructure are minimized, aligning with modern sustainability and community acceptance goals.

By prioritizing a tunnel design, the railway aims to address the challenges associated with open cuts while ensuring a robust, safe, and sustainable infrastructure solution tailored to the region's geological and hydrological conditions. This approach also aligns with long-term operational efficiency and environmental stewardship.