

ISM - International Workshop on Micropiles May 6, 2006



Report on Field Day by Kerry Allen



What was the ADSC Geo³ Conference all about?

- Held November 6-9, 2005 in the Dallas / Fort Worth Texas area
- Combination of the three foundation technologies (Drilled Shaft, Anchored Earth Retention and Micropile) represented by the ADSC and it's members into a "one stop shop" conference
- Papers and presentations focused on Quality Assurance / Quality Control and Verification Testing
- Keynote addresses for each Micropile Keynote delivered by Dr. Roger Frank
- Compilation of Papers submitted to create a 600 page Proceedings made available to all attendees and non-attendees in CD or in bound format
- Exhibition of industry suppliers of products, equipment and services
- Demonstration Day designed to compliment the technical presentations



It seemed so simple when I volunteered...

- Original concept was a series of demonstrations at a site close to the host hotel
- Scope of the Field Day expanded over time into something much larger
- Pre-installation of full scale drilled shafts, micropiles, construction of a mock beam and lagging retaining wall with tiebacks and a mock soil nail wall
- Pre-conference load testing of all preinstalled foundation elements
- Live Materials testing demonstrations
- Creation of a full replacement indoor program in case of inclement weather
- Drilled shaft, Micropile and Earth Retention demonstrations
- Live drilling area with drilled shaft and micropile installation demonstrations



































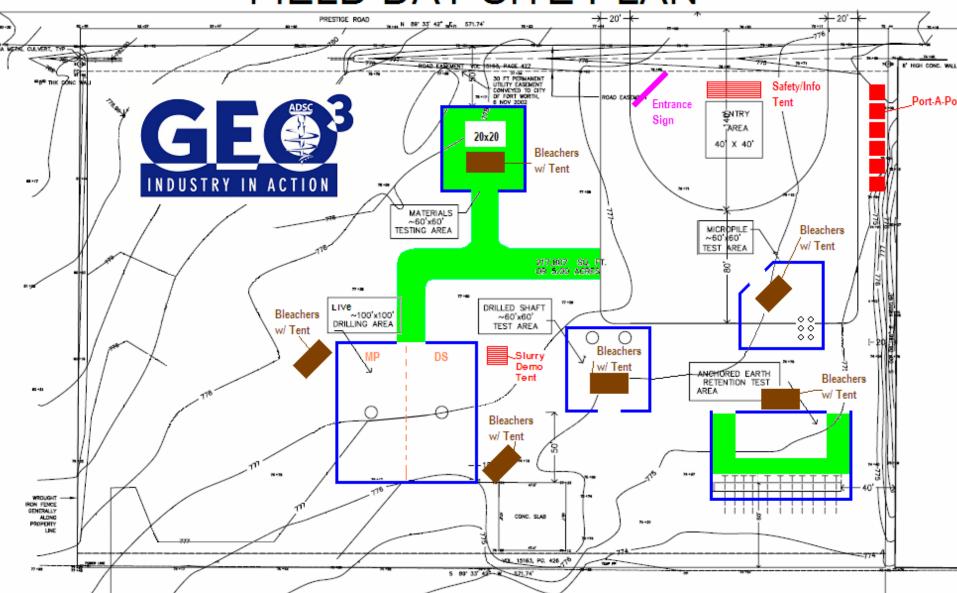








FIELD DAY SITE PLAN



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FIELD DAY PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

DRILLED SHAFT:

- O-Cell Testing demonstration
- Cross-hole Sonic Logging Demonstration
- Bottom Cleaning of a Shaft*
- Drilling Fluid Sampling and Testing*
- Depth Sounding*
- Shaft Tolerance Issues*
- Reinforcing Cage Placement*
- Concrete Tremie Discussion*
- Safety Issues

MICROPILE:

- Compression Test Set Up and Procedures
- Tension Test Set Up and Procedures
- Lateral Load Test Set Up and Procedures
- Reinforcing and Casing Placement*
- Grout Placement Issues*
- Drilling Procedure Demonstration*
- Safety Issues*

ANCHORED EARTH RETENTION:

- Anchor Fabrication Issues
- Anchor installation Issues
- Testing Equipment Discussion
- Proof Testing Demonstration
- Performance Testing Demonstration
- Creep Testing Discussion
- Soil Nail Testing Demonstration
- Soil Nail Wall Construction Issues
- Safety Issues

MATERIALS TESTING:

- C39 Compressive Strength of Concrete Cylinders
- C109 Compressive Strength of Grout Cubes
- C143 Slump of Concrete
- C191 Time of Setting of Hydraulic Cement by Vicat Neddle
- C939 Flow of Grout for Concrete
- C940 Expansion and Bleeding of Grout
- C942 Compressive Strength of Grouts in Lab
- C953 Setting Time for Grouts



Let's watch a brief DVD recap of the big day.....



What's left to do?

- Much video footage to be used to create training and education tools for future use. Work ongoing in ADSC committees
- Hundreds of digital photos taken and collected during installation, pretesting and during the demonstration day to be cataloged and supplied to members for use in schools and seminars



HOW MUCH DID IT COST?

Total cost of the Field Day - \$412,400.00 Expenditures budgeted for - \$75,000.00 Actual cash expenses - \$28,750.00 Dollar value of member contributions - \$383,650



Outstanding support from the industry

- Hayward Baker
- Texas Shafts
- Kleinfelder
- Loadtest
- Olson Engineering
- DSI-Lang Geotech
- Con-Tech Systems
- Williams Form Engineering
- Skyline Steel
- Terracon
- Schnabel Engineering
- Richard Goettle
- ADSC Committes
- ADSC Staff