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**Re: Site Classification for proposed residence  
Lot 79 Silky Oak Estate, Stage 6  
Wodonga, Vic, 3690**

An investigation was carried out on 12.9.2011 to determine a soil classification for the above site. The site is moderately sloping and lightly grassed. The surface drainage on site is good.

### **FIELD RESULTS**

Materials encountered during the field investigation are described in the attached investigation log and in general consists of controlled fill overlaying silty and sandy clays of low to high plasticity.

### **SITE CLASSIFICATION**

Based on the results of the investigation the site has been classified as Class "M" Moderately Reactive site in accordance with AS 2870-2011 Residential Slabs and Footings - Site Classification by surface Movement Calculation.

### **Recommendations for this Site:**

The footings of a conventional slab may be designed for a Class "M" site classification with the external beams founded a minimum of 250mm below existing surface level.

If piers, stumps or strip footings are used on this site they should be founded a minimum of 500mm below existing surface level.

The site should be stripped of all vegetation and topsoil, with any areas of soft, loose or wet material selectively excavated to provide a firm, working base.

The allowable bearing pressure for this site is 150kPa from 250mm in depth.

### **GENERAL NOTE : FILL MATERIAL**

Some building sites may contain areas of fill, which cannot be visually identified at the time of investigation. It is also often difficult to determine fill from natural insitu materials during a site investigation borehole. If fill is encountered during excavation of footings, and it is not described in the field investigation log, further advice must be obtained.

Where controlled (compacted) fill is encountered, the amount of compacted fill allowable is up to 800mm of "sand" fill or 400mm of "other" fill. AS 2870 - 2011 provides details of additional construction requirements for controlled fill sites.



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