

St. Louis County Masterplan Construction Drawings

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I am pleased to inform you that the plans submitted for review of the Anchor Brisa 6" Retaining Walls are approved and the new master plan numbers are as follows:

707-14-79 6' high max, 3:1 Max Slope, Compacted Rock Backfill, No Surchage
 707-14-80 6' high max, Level-No Slope, Compacted Rock Backfill, No Surchage
 707-14-81 6' high max, Level-No Slope, Compacted Rock Backfill, 120psf LL Surchage

Please inform your customers of the following procedures they need to follow when applying for a residential retaining wall permit with Saint Louis County:

1. Submit a **completed permit application** form that includes the selected master plan number.
2. Submit **four (4) site plans** showing the location and length of the wall, drawn to scale, with the top-of-wall and bottom-of-wall elevations noted at the ends and midpoint of each wall, at a minimum. Dimension the wall(s) distance from any structures, parking lots, easements and property lines. Show with arrows the existing and proposed direction of site drainage at and around the proposed wall area.
3. Submit **four (4) copy sets** of the approved master plan (10 pages total).
4. Your customers should be made aware that a **Saint Louis County Pre-grading Inspection** may be required to assess any potential major changes on the site grading and drainage when a retaining wall is proposed closer than 10-feet to a property line. Conditions on the site plans submitted may also indicate a Saint Louis County Pre-grading Inspection is needed.

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Title & Index

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General

This masterplan is for Anchor Brisa retaining walls on one or two family residential properties only. These plans shall specify the structural requirements of single tier walls up to six feet in height for the specific applications shown. Retaining walls that support a house or other structure or that apply a surcharge to a house or other structure (including swimming pools and other retaining walls) and walls in contact with water such as lakes, rivers, ponds or creeks or any application outside of these specific design sections and/or soil parameters shown herein, are excluded. The user of this masterplan is responsible for confirming its applicability. Retaining walls not meeting these parameters should be individually engineered. This plan must be used in its entirety. The contractor shall locate & protect all existing utilities, and shall be responsible for all worker and public safety at the retaining wall site. The contractor shall be responsible for compliance with all OSHA regulations. All installation shall be per the retaining wall manufacturer's construction recommendations and/or as noted herein.

Site Plan

All walls requiring a St. Louis County permit shall be shown on a site plan drawn to scale showing the locations of the wall relative to property lines, easements & existing or proposed structures. This site plan shall show elevations along the top and bottom of the wall relative to a on site benchmark. The site plan shall show the ground surface inclinations above and below the wall for a lateral distance of at least 25'. The site plan shall clearly define drainage in the wall area.

Drainage

A drainage design is not part of this masterplan. However drainage is an important component of the complete wall design. When feasible, it is recommended that surface water be diverted to not drain over the top of the wall. A swale or drainage boxes/structures can be used to divert surface water. Any drain piping should be watertight piping to an acceptable outfall below the wall & should not be connected to the perforated drainfile used for internal wall drainage. If it is necessary to direct the water over the top of the wall concentration to one point should be avoided. The owner should expect some periodic maintenance of the soil cap & the soil cover at the toe of the wall being required. Water should not be allowed to pond above the wall.

Guard Rails/Fencing

Non-Wind Loading guard rails/fencing shall be installed above the wall where required per code in accordance with Anchor Retaining Walls specifications. We recommend sonotubes or PVC be installed during wall construction for the fence post bases to prevent the need to excavate into the reinforcing zone material and through the geogrid. Wind loaded fences or vehicular guard rails can affect the retaining wall and should be designed by a qualified engineer.

Materials

The **Leveling Pad** shall be constructed 1" minus crushed limestone compacted to at least 90% modified proctor with minimum dimensions of 6" thick and 24" wide.

Retaining Wall Units shall be Anchor Brisa 6" as manufactured by Building Products. Units must be 8" deep. Concrete wall units shall meet the requirements of ASTM C90-90 and compressive strength shall be a minimum of 3000 psi. The maximum water adsorption shall be limited to 8.0 percent. The concrete shall have adequate freeze thaw resistance in accordance with ASTM 666-90.

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Materials (cont.)

The **reinforced wall backfill** material shall be 1" clean crushed limestone. Material shall be placed in lifts, 12" max each, and compacted by multiple passes of a vibratory plate compactor.

We recommend any **additional backfill** be granular fill, compacted to at least 90% modified proctor. Low plastic soil compacted to at least 90% modified proctor can be used, however this level of compaction is much more difficult to achieve & typically requires larger compaction equipment. Tracking the material in with a skid steer is **not** an acceptable method of compaction. All vegetation shall be stripped in areas to be filled & areas should be benched where slope exceeds 4/1.

Geogrid shall be Geostar Optima HP 200, Carthage Mills GX150, Miragrid 2XT, Startagrid SG150 as indicated on the plan, or approved equivalent.

Filter Fabric shall be Carthage Mills FX40 or Mirafi 140N or approved equivalent.

Drain Tile shall be 4" HDPE perforated wrapped in fabric (sock) & extended to daylight at the wall low point.

The **Soil Cap** shall consist of compacted low plastic impervious soil above the structural backfill in areas not to be paved.

Wall Foundation Excavation

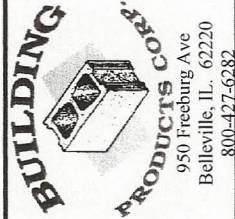
Foundation soil shall be excavated as required for the leveling pads and the structural backfill zone. All excavations shall comply with OSHA safety requirements. The exposed foundation material & retained materials shall be observed by a qualified person prior to placing the leveling pad rock to confirm the soil parameters comply with the design assumptions. The retained material shall be low plastic with an internal angle of friction of at least 28 degrees. Foundation soil shall be low plastic and have a minimum bearing capacity of 2,000 psf and an effective internal angle of friction of 28 degrees. Any soils that are soft, plastic (LL > 50%), frozen, or wet and untested fills shall be removed and recompacted to 90% modified Proctor under the direction of a geotechnical engineer. Care should be taken to identify any utility trenches in the area. The contractor shall identify if the backfill in these trenches has been property placed & compacted. See sewer & utility backfill section to follow.

Geogrid Reinforcing

The geogrids shall be cut to the design lengths "L" and placed between the blocks at the elevations shown on the plans. The geogrid's primary strength direction shall be perpendicular to the wall face (into the fill). The geogrid shall be placed horizontally and laid flat on the reinforcing fill material. The geogrid shall be placed so that a minimum of 7" of grid is between the block layers. Slack in the geogrid shall be removed prior to placing backfill.

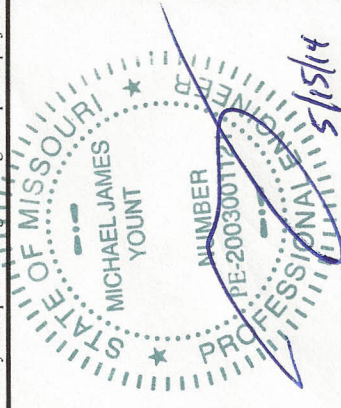


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Wall Construction

Provide a minimum 6" thick x 24" wide crushed limestone leveling pad centered beneath the base block compacted to at least 90% modified proctor. Install the first course of blocks on the leveling pad, units must be level in all directions & be in complete contact with the leveling pad. Install the next course in a running bond stack. Adjust for setback per course. Continue stacking subsequent courses until the level of the first layer of geogrid is reached. Install draisntile & daylight prior to backfilling. Backfill material shall be placed in maximum 12" lifts and compacted by multiple passes with a vibratory plate compactor. Backfill shall be placed, spread and compacted in such a manner that minimizes wrinkles and movement of the geogrid. During backfill placement only hand operated equipment shall be used in the 4' zone directly behind the wall. The front of the wall shall be backfilled and compacted to finished grade. Filter fabric shall separate the granular backfill from the retained soil and the soil cap. Filter fabric shall not cover the foundation materials. The geogrids shall be cut to the lengths shown and placed in accordance with the tables shown on the design sections. The geogrid shall be orientated so that the direction of maximum strength is perpendicular to the face of the wall. There shall be at least 7" of geogrid between the block layers. The geogrids must be kept taut & level. All geogrid installation shall be in accordance with the manufacturers specifications. Install the soil cap, compact & finish grade for proper drainage per the approved site plan.

Sewer & Utility Trench Backfill

Any excavation to be backfilled within a distance of (2) times the wall height from the wall face must be compacted to at least 90% modified proctor. Any excavations made below the wall should be backfilled with 1" or 2" minus compacted to 90% modified proctor, or as directed by a geotechnical engineer.

Protection of Work

The Owner or Owner's Representative is responsible for ensuring that construction by others adjacent to the wall does not disturb the wall or place temporary construction loads on the wall that exceed design loads, including loads such as water pressure, temporary grades, or equipment loading. Heavy paving or grading equipment shall be kept a minimum of 3 feet behind the back of the wall face. Equipment with wheel loads in excess of 150 psf live load shall not be operated within 10 feet of the face of the retaining wall during construction adjacent to the wall. Care should be taken by the Owner or Owner's Representative to ensure water runoff is directed away from the wall structure until final grading and surface drainage collection systems are completed. Finish grading should be completed in accordance with the approved site development plan. The stability of temporary excavation during wall construction is beyond the scope of this design and is the responsibility of the contractor.

Design Parameters

This design is based on design parameters that must be field verified. This verification should include both existing soils & the new fill material. If actual conditions are of lesser strength or quality than the design parameters redesign or remediation may be required. A pre-construction soils investigation may reduce the risk of discovering poor materials & increasing the overall cost of the project during construction. Global stability is outside the scope of this design.

No changes shall be made to these plans without written approval of Engineering Solutions, P.C.

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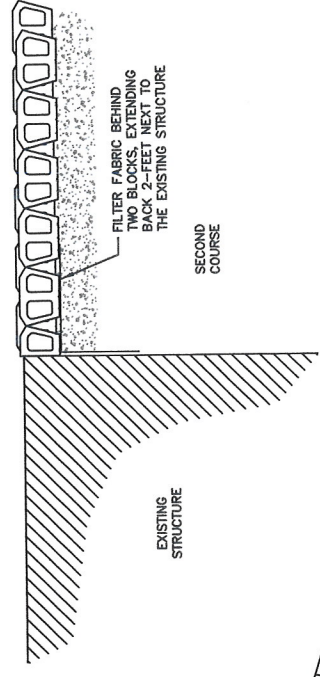
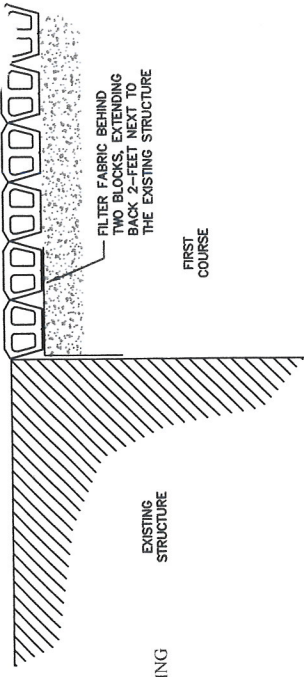


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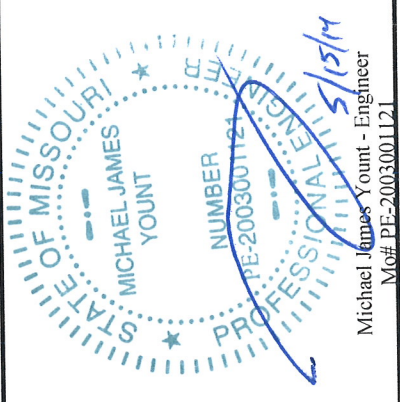
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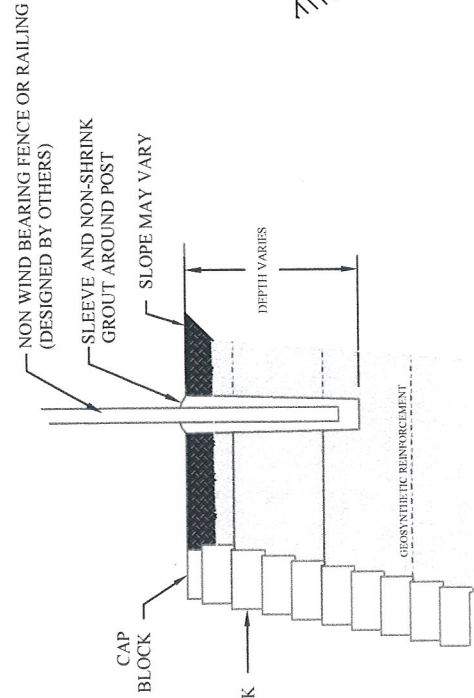
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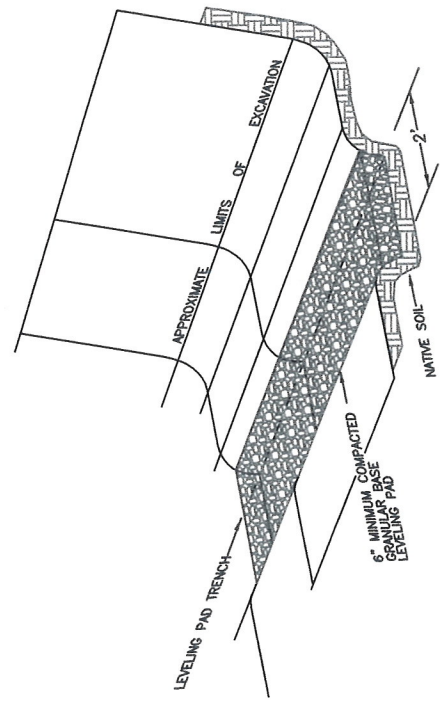
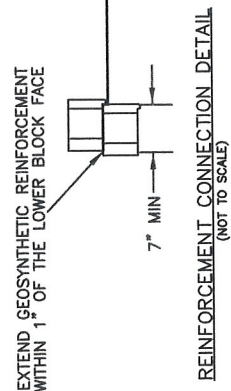
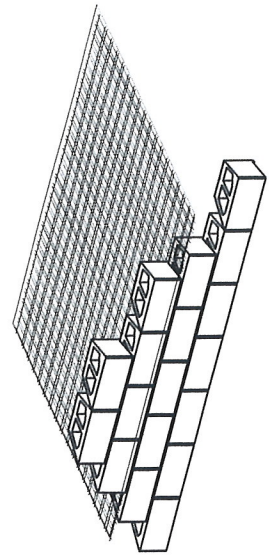


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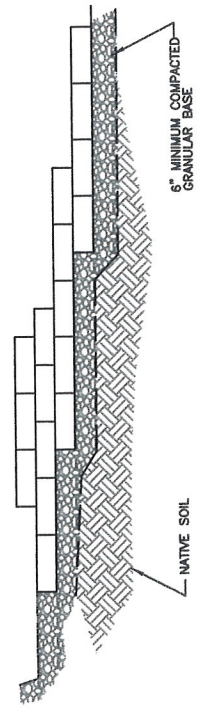
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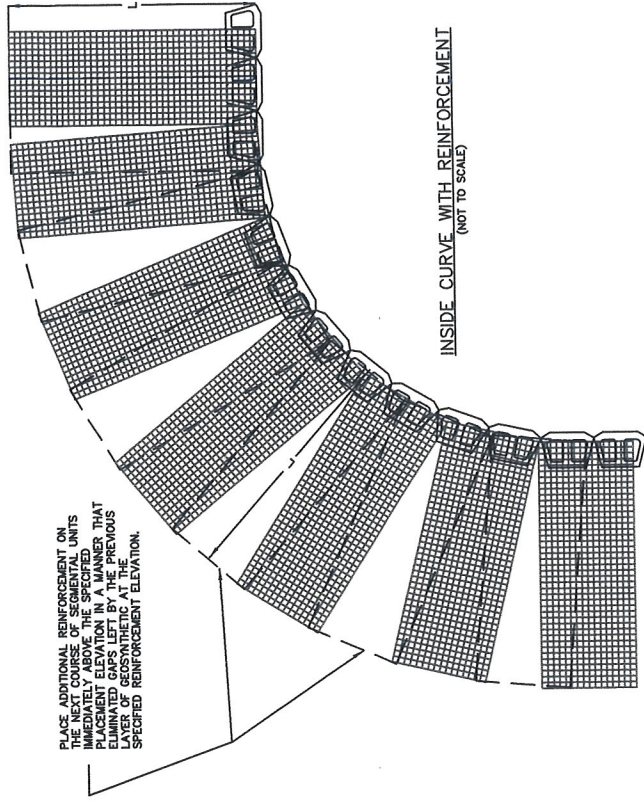
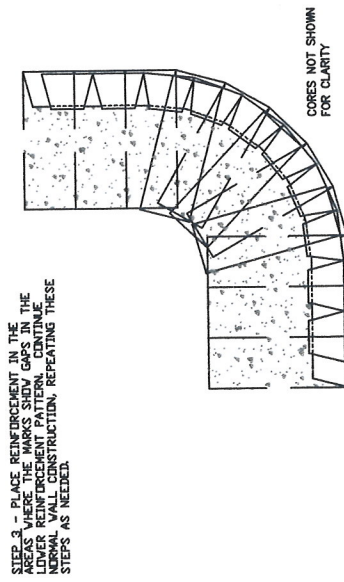
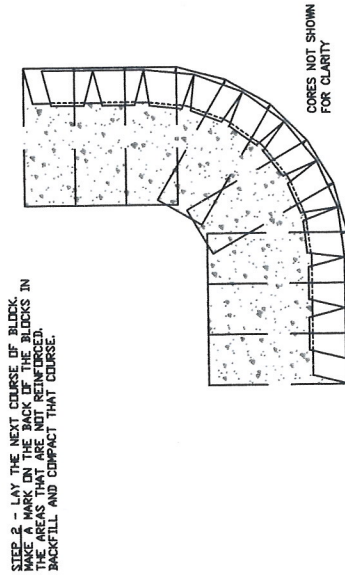
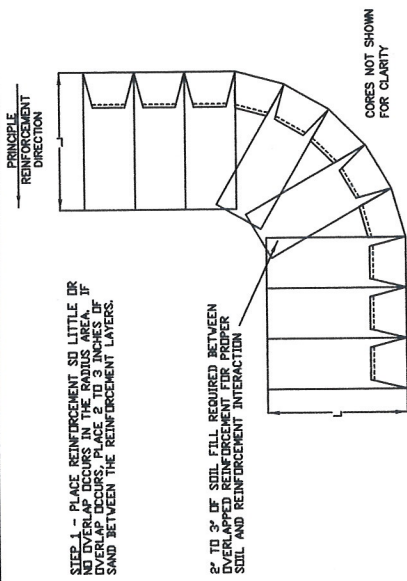
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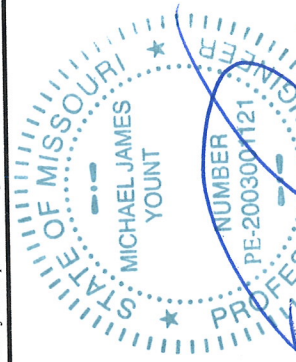
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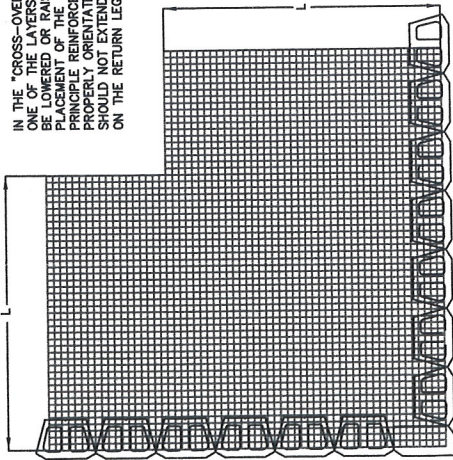
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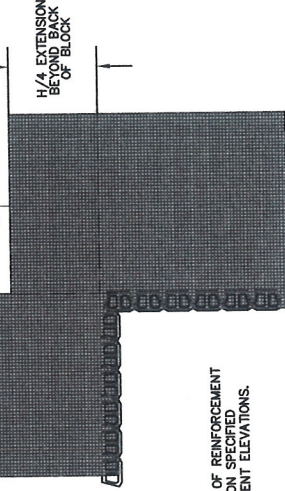


IN THE "CROSS-OVER AREA" OF REINFORCEMENT, ONE OF THE LAYERS OF REINFORCEMENT SHOULD BE LOWERED OR RAISED ONE COURSE TO ALLOW PLACEMENT OF THE REINFORCEMENT WITH THE PRINCIPLE REINFORCEMENT STRENGTH DIRECTION PROPERLY ORIENTATED. THE REINFORCEMENT SHOULD NOT EXTEND INTO THE SEGMENTAL UNITS ON THE RETURN LEG OF THE 90 DEGREE CORNER.

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DIRECTION

REINFORCEMENT NOT SHOWN FOR CLARITY
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NOTES:
PLACEMENT OF REINFORCEMENT
EXTENSION ON SPECIFIED
REINFORCEMENT ELEVATIONS.

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ANCHOR DIAMOND PRO BLOCK
90 DEGREE INSIDE CORNER WITH REINFORCEMENT
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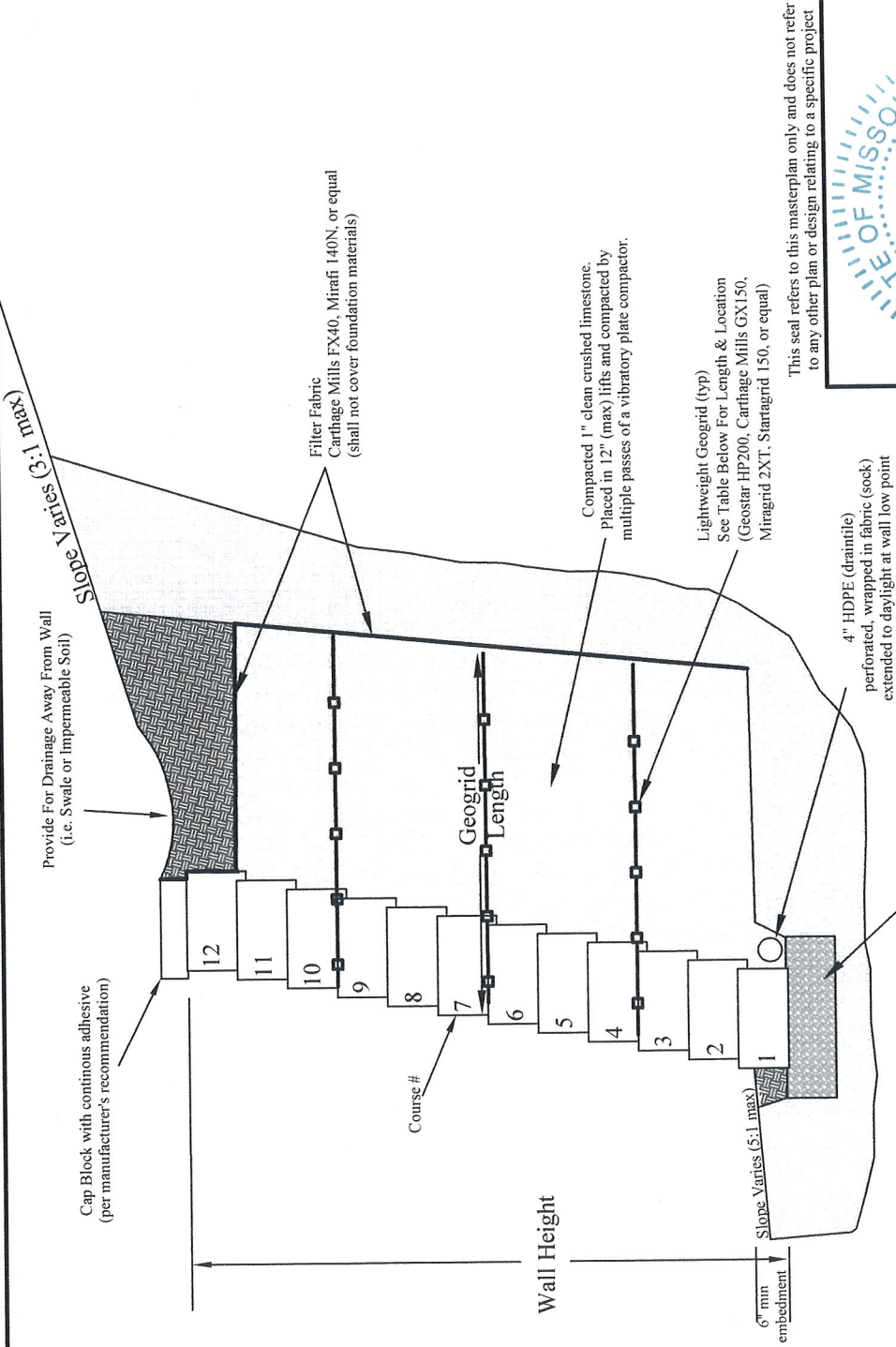
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**Reinforcing Backfill Table
Slope Above Wall (3:1 max)**

Wall Height (feet) (without cap)	Anchor Brisa (6")	
	# of Geogrid Layers	Geogrid Location (on top of course #)
3.0	2	2,4
4.0	3	1,3,6
5.0	4	1,3,5,8
6.0	5	1,3,5,7,10

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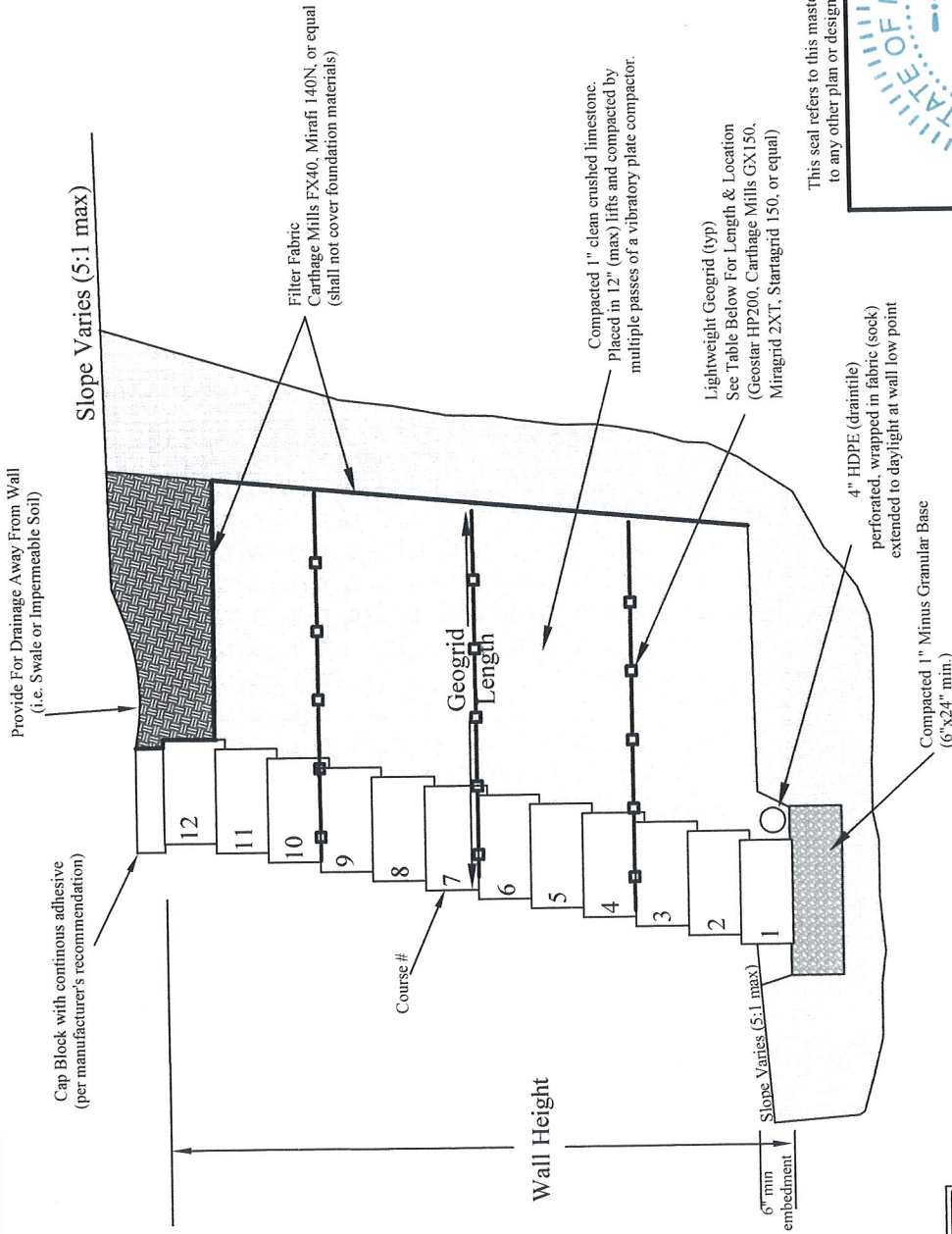
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Typical Cross Section
 3:1 Slope, No Surcharge

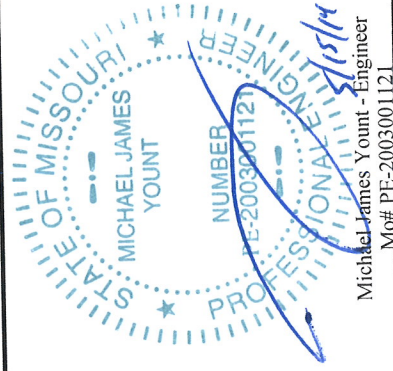
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Reinforcing Backfill Table
No Slope Above Wall (5:1 max)

Wall Height (feet) (without cap)	Anchor Brisa (6")	
	# of Geogrid Layers	Geogrid Length (ft)
3.0	1	4.0
4.0	2	4.0
5.0	3	4.5
6.0	4	5.0

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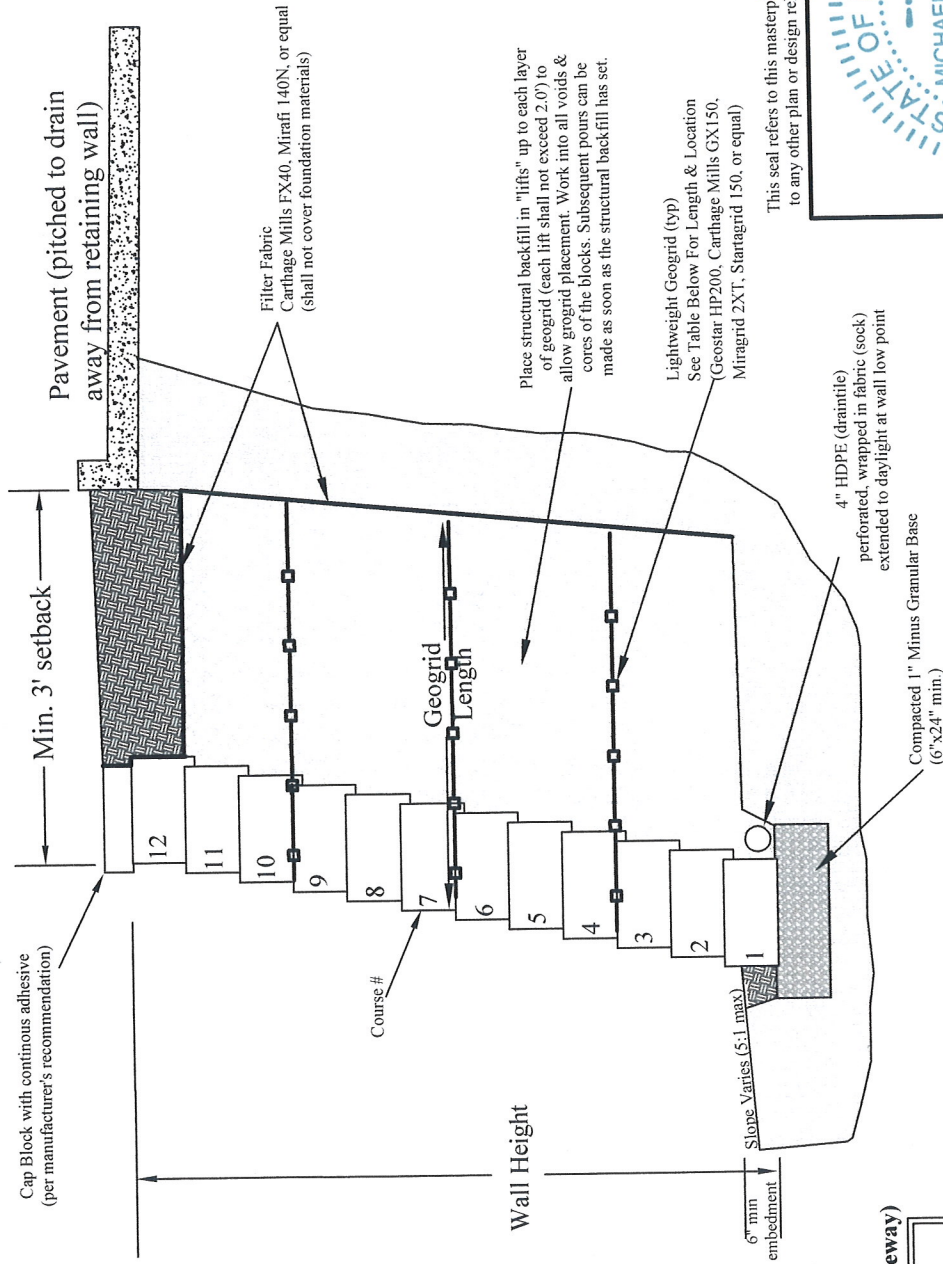


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Typical Cross Section
 Level Backslope, No Surcharge

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Reinforcing Backfill Table
120 psf Live Load Above Wall (residential driveway)

Wall Height (feet) (without cap)	Anchor Brisa (6")		
	# of Geogrid Layers	Geogrid Location (on top of course #)	Geogrid Length (ft)
3.0	1	3	4.0
4.0	2	3,6	4.0
5.0	3	2,5,8	4.5
6.0	4	2,4,7,10	5.0

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Typical Cross Section
 Level Backslope, 120 psf Surcharge (Residential Driveway)

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