



Case Studies in Shallow Landslide Repair and Severe Erosion Mitigation along Roadway Networks in Appalachia, including Innovative Concepts for Roadway Widening

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- Technology Overview
 - GCS®
 - Launched Soil Nails/Micropiles
 - Structural Wire Mesh
 - Shotcrete
- Case Studies
- Questions





Technology Overview

Geosynthetically Confined Soil



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Definitions

Wall Type

External

Internal

Tieback

Soil Nails

MSE

GCS

metallic

geosynthetic

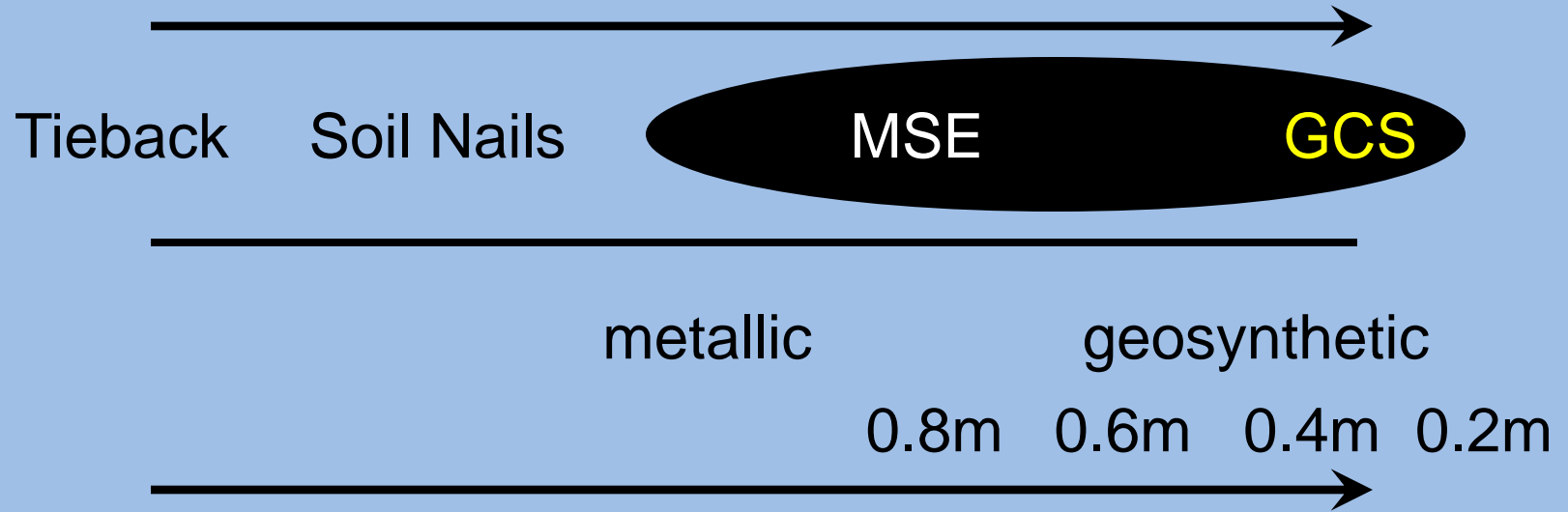
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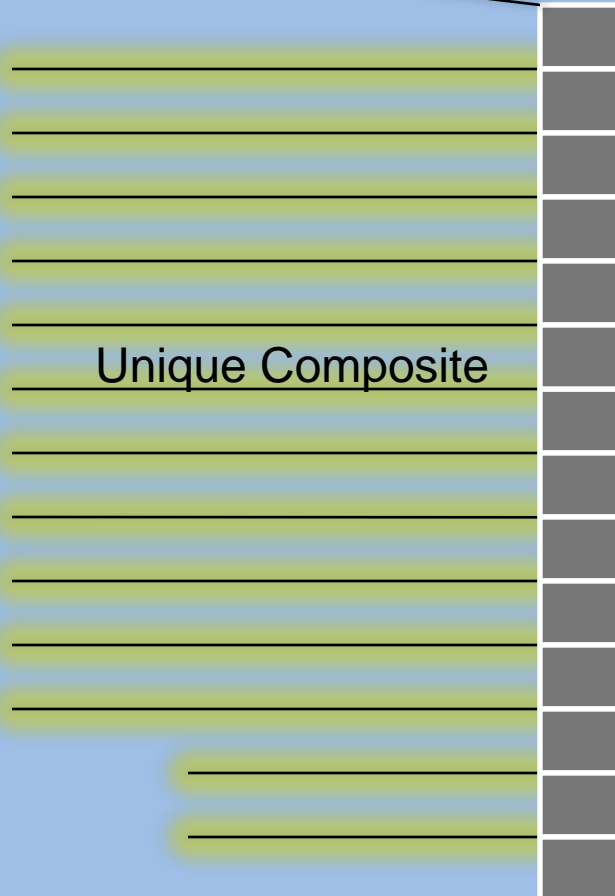
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Increased Reinforcement Frequency



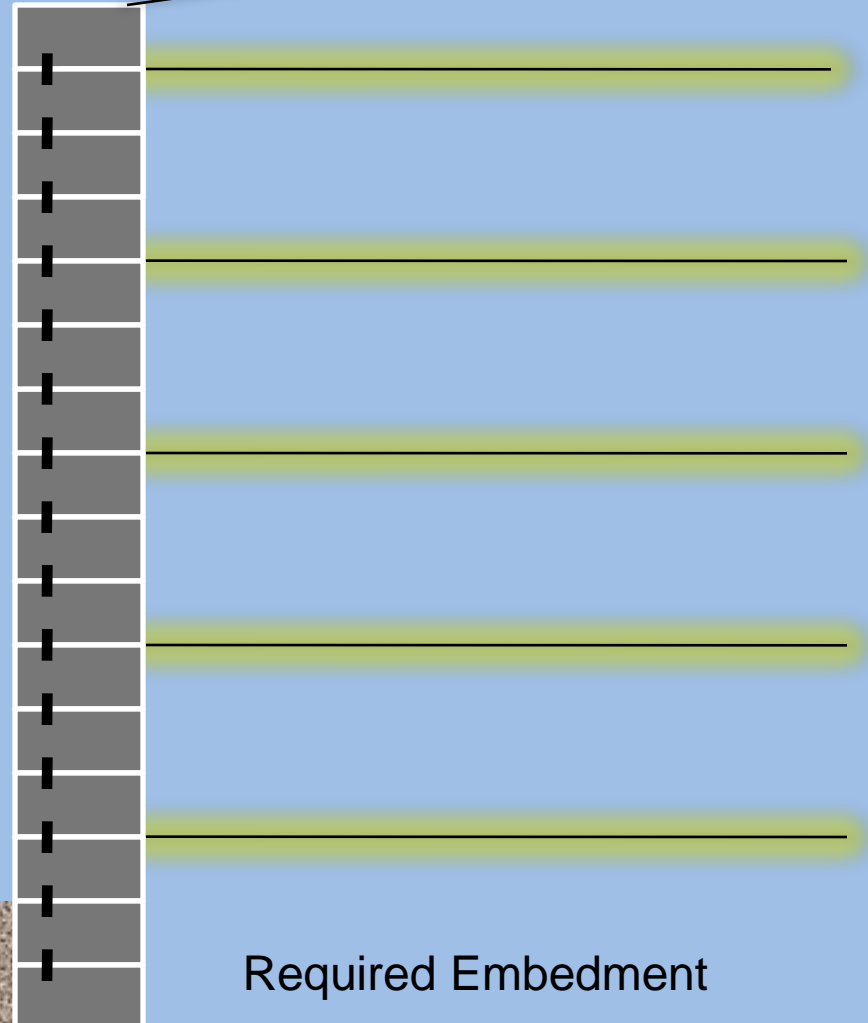
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1. Unique Composite Structure
2. Internally stable
3. Friction Connections
4. Lightweight Inclusions
5. Close spacing
6. High Factor of Safety



MSE

1. Reinforced Soil Structure
2. Quasi-tieback
3. Pin Connections
4. Strong reinforcement
5. Wide Spacing
6. Failure Rate



No Required Embedment; Truncated Base

Required Embedment

Weak Reinforcement?



Negative Batter?



(22.5 tsf) Load?





5+ *Million* foot/pound impact



NCHRP 556 (Seismic)



1 g sinusoidal motion at 3Hz for 20 seconds (i.e. 60 cycles at 1 g)

"The result suggests....with a the strongest earthquake that has ever happened on earth, a GRS abutment will likely feel nothing."

Dr. J. T. H. Wu (Reporting on the NCHRP GCS/GRS shake table testing, April, 2010)













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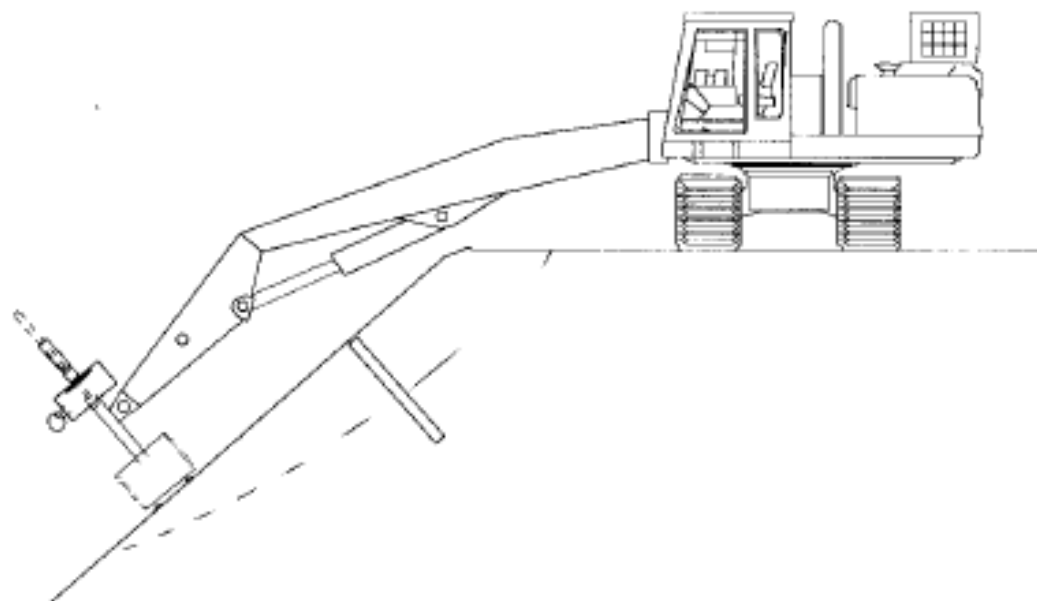
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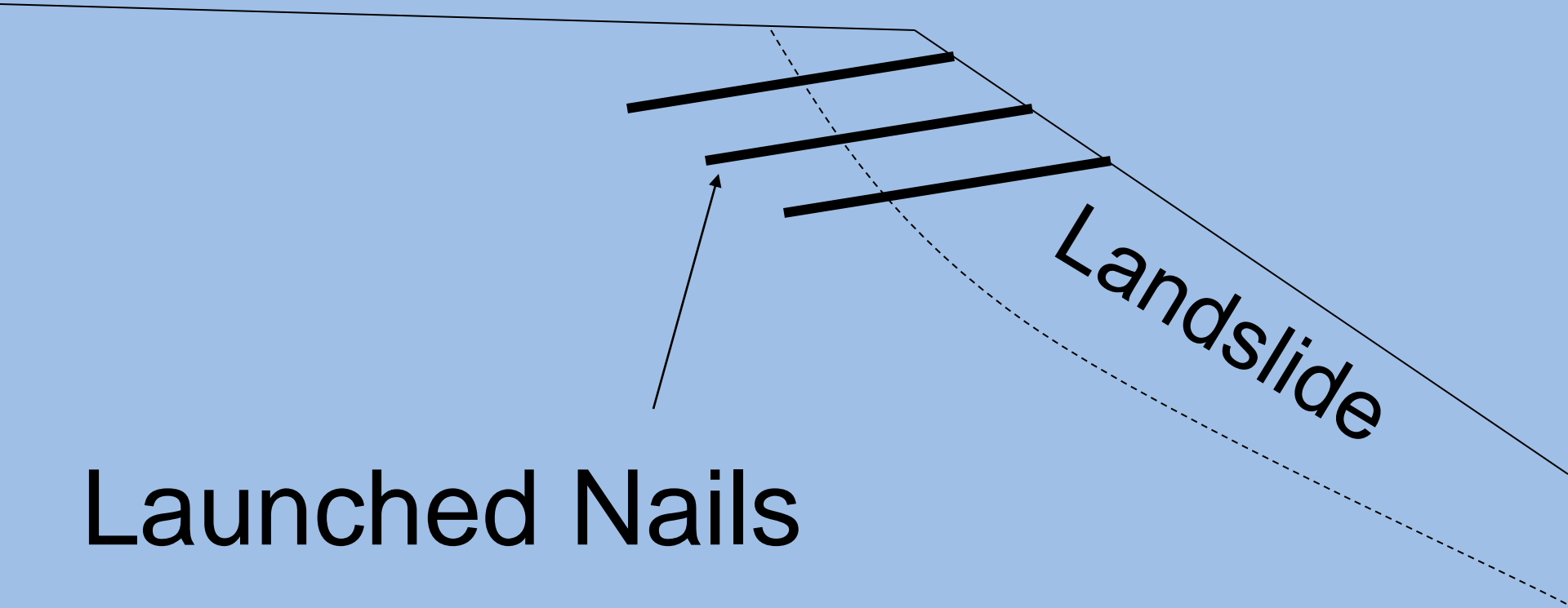
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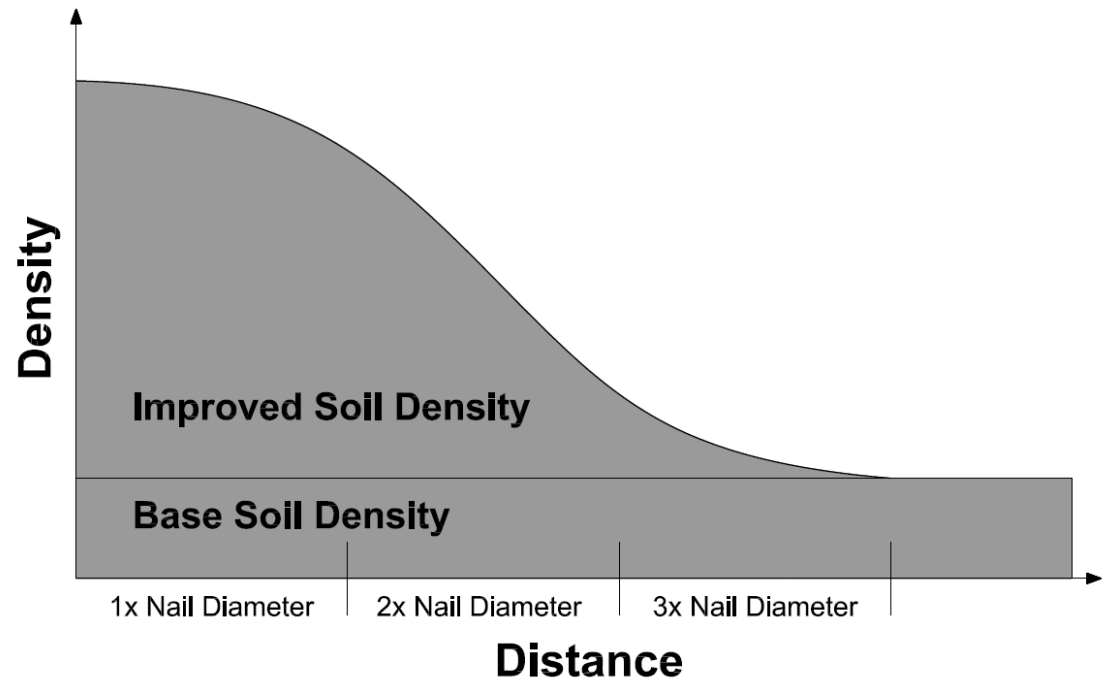
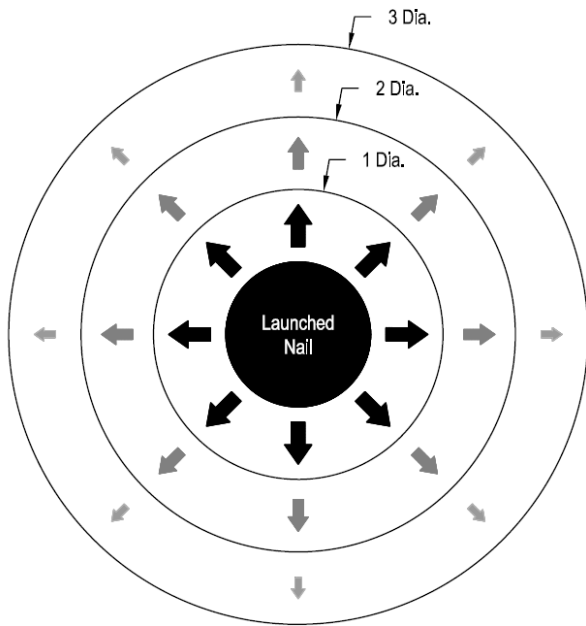




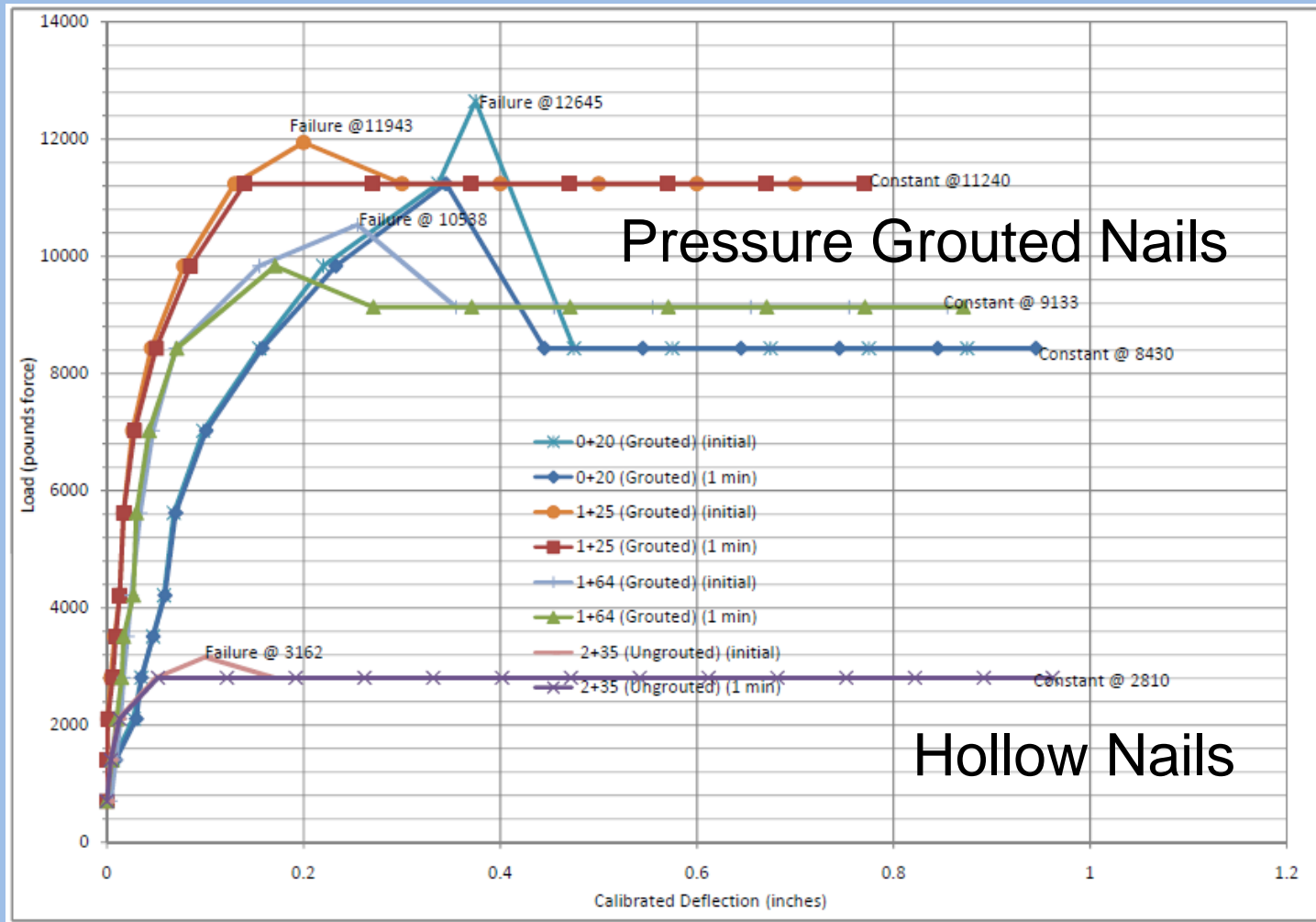
Launched Nails

Landslide

Densification *Without* Soil Matrix Disruption

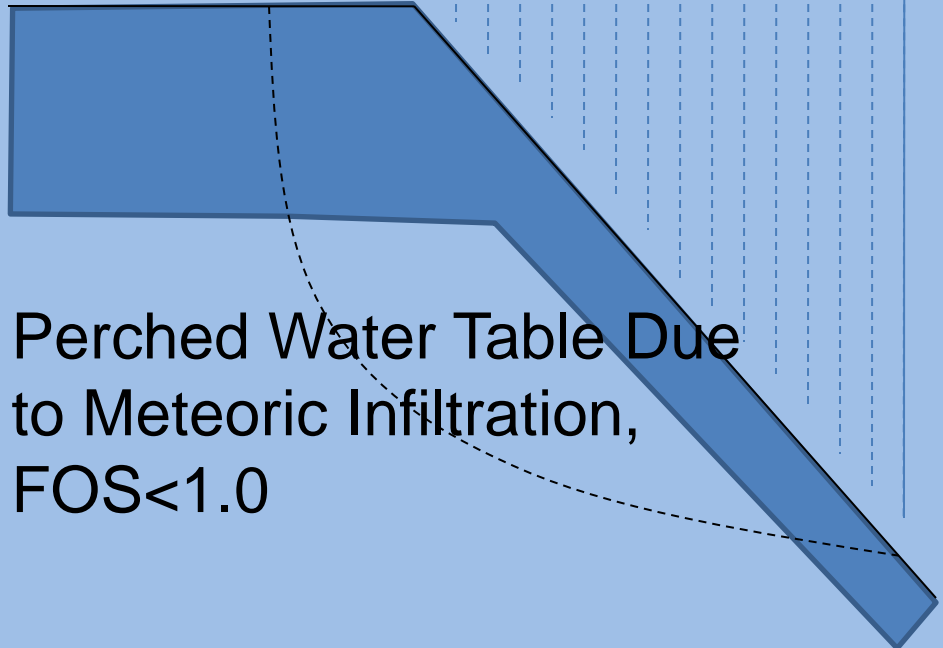
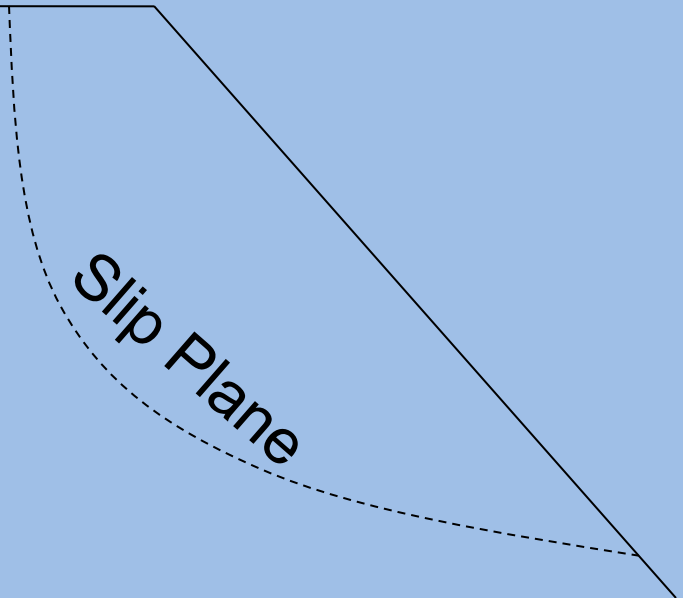


Pullout Test Results

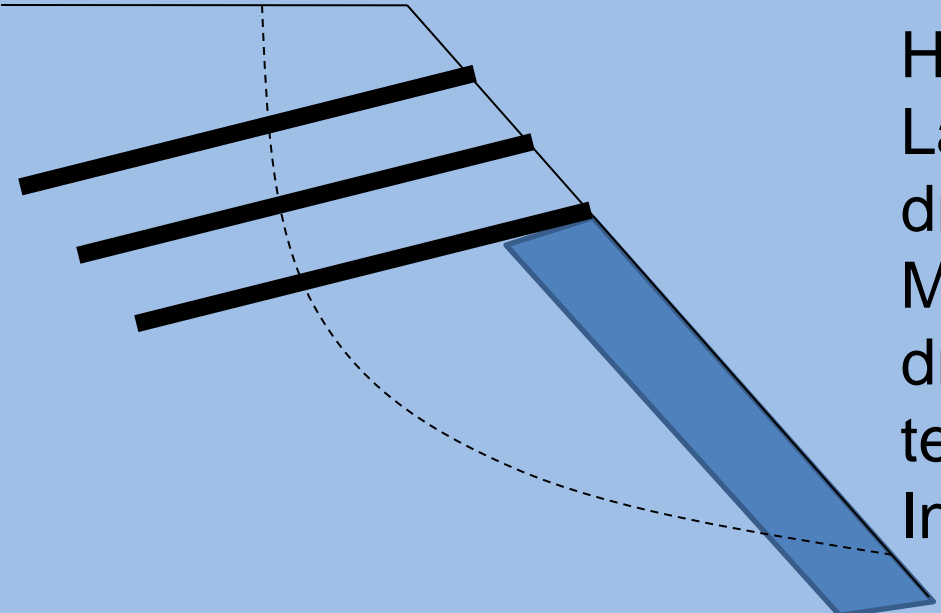


1. Average bond = 3.1 psi (ungROUTED);
11.5 psi (grouted)

Landslide in dry conditions, $FOS > 1.0$



Perched Water Table Due to Meteoric Infiltration, $FOS < 1.0$



Hollow, Perforated Launched Soil Nails act as drains during high Moisture events, allowing drainage and acting as tensile inclusions, $FOS \gg 1.0$











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Keep off swing area

Temporary Shoring for Ohio DOT



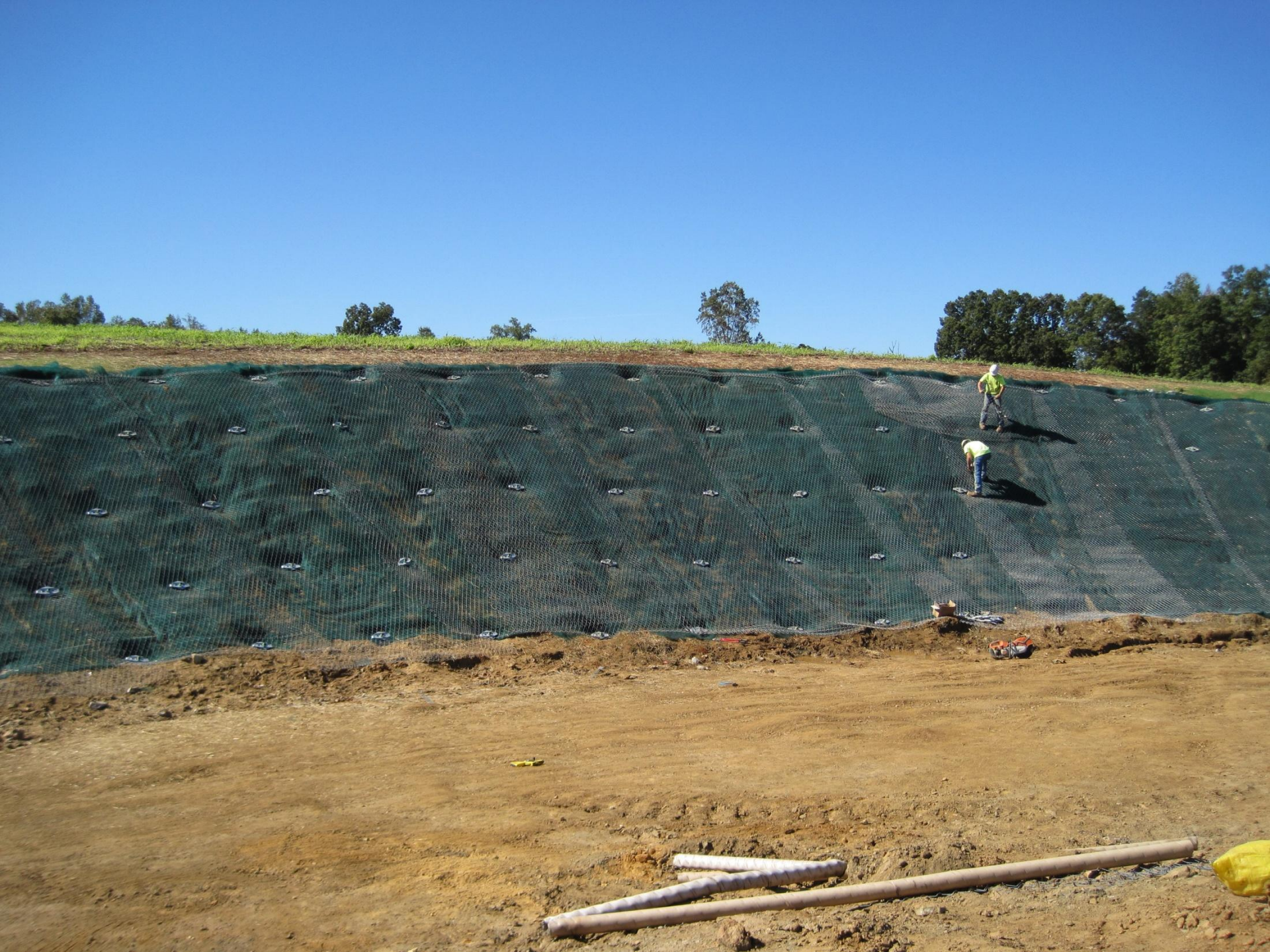
**3 DAYS AND \$45,000
NO PROJECT DELAY
COMPARED TO
\$200,000 AND 6 WEEKS
FOR A
PILE WALL**



SURFACE TREATMENTS



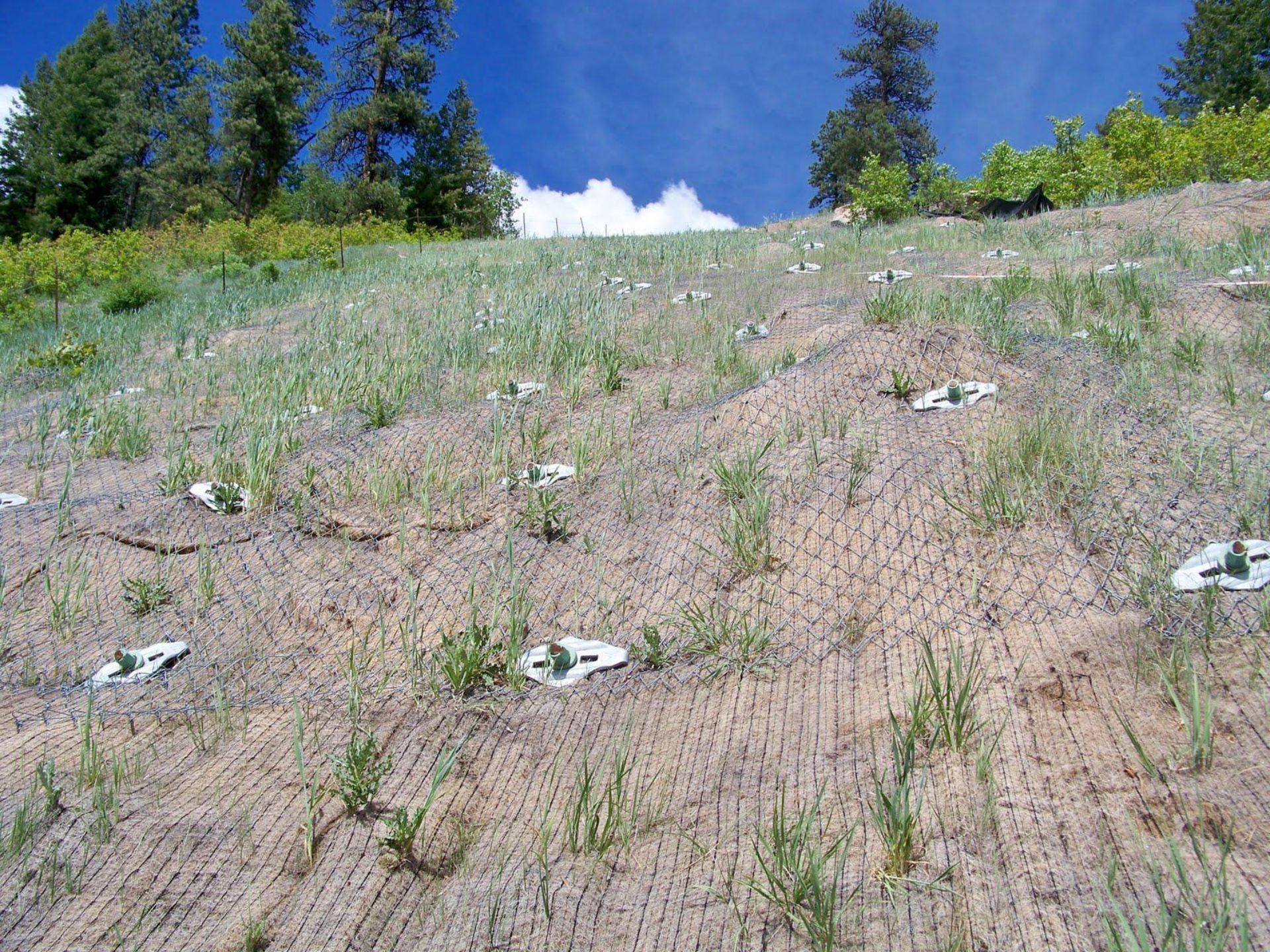


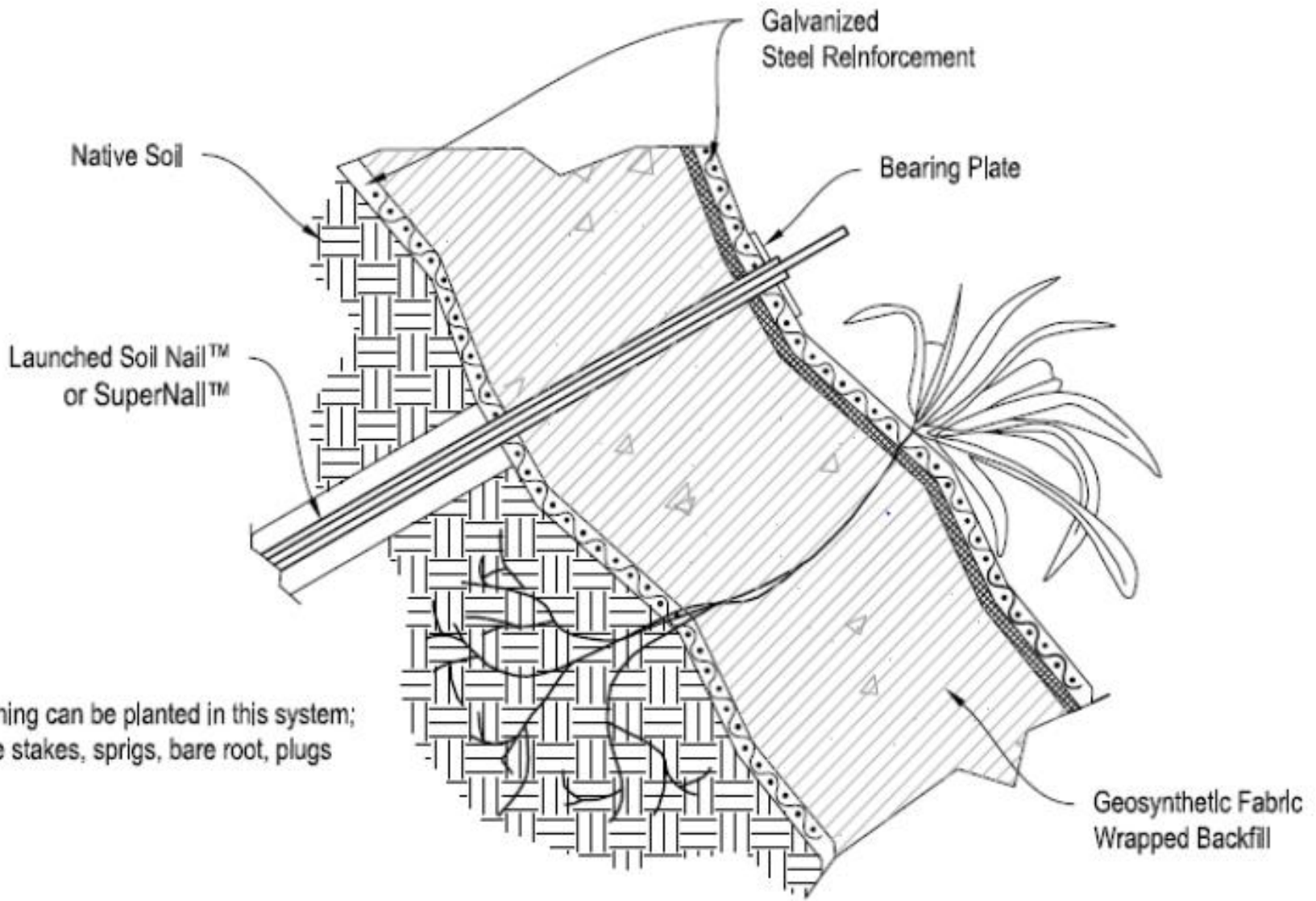




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Almost anything can be planted in this system; including live stakes, sprigs, bare root, plugs and seed.

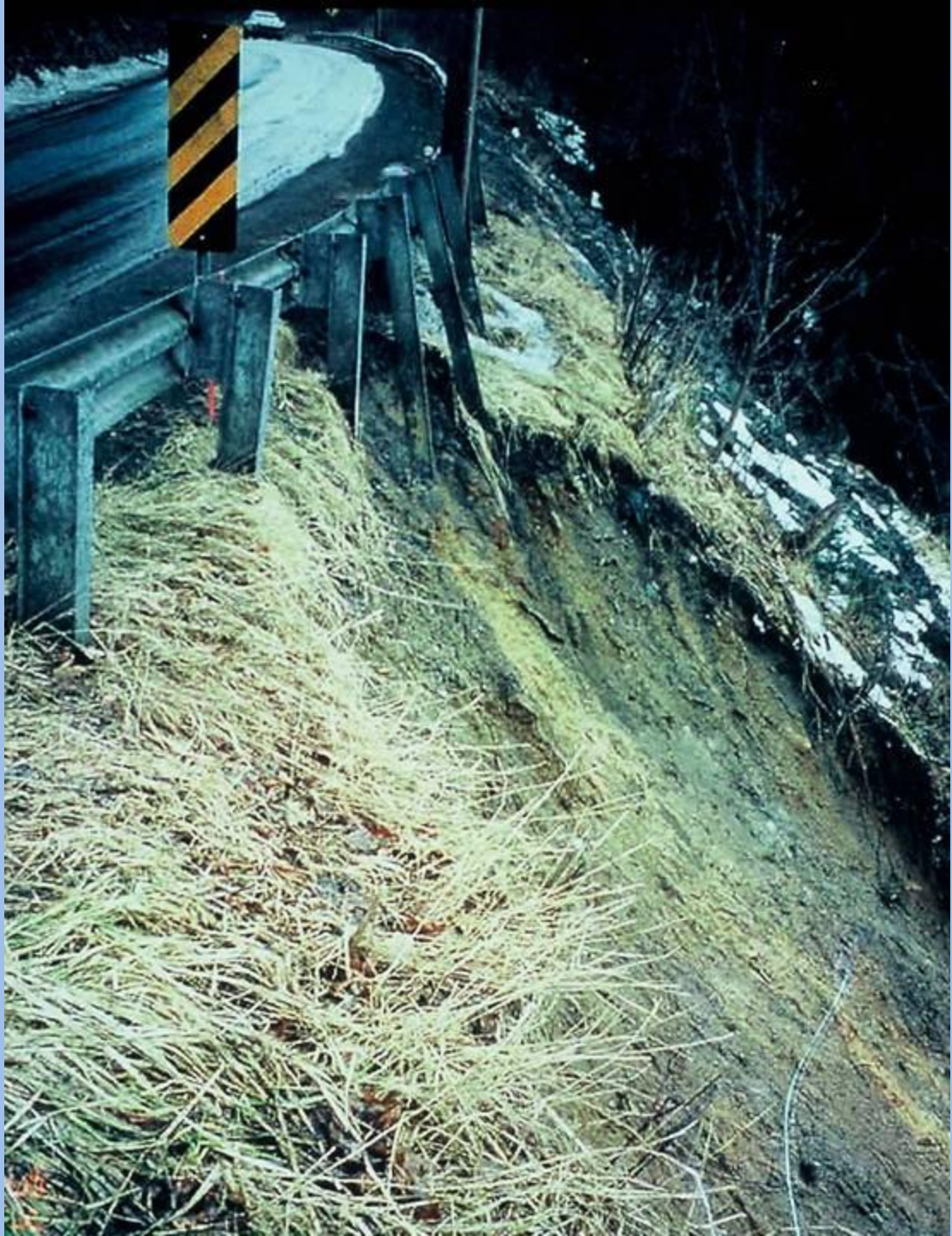
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Not to Scale



During Construction



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Launched Bearing Micropiles
North Island, New Zealand































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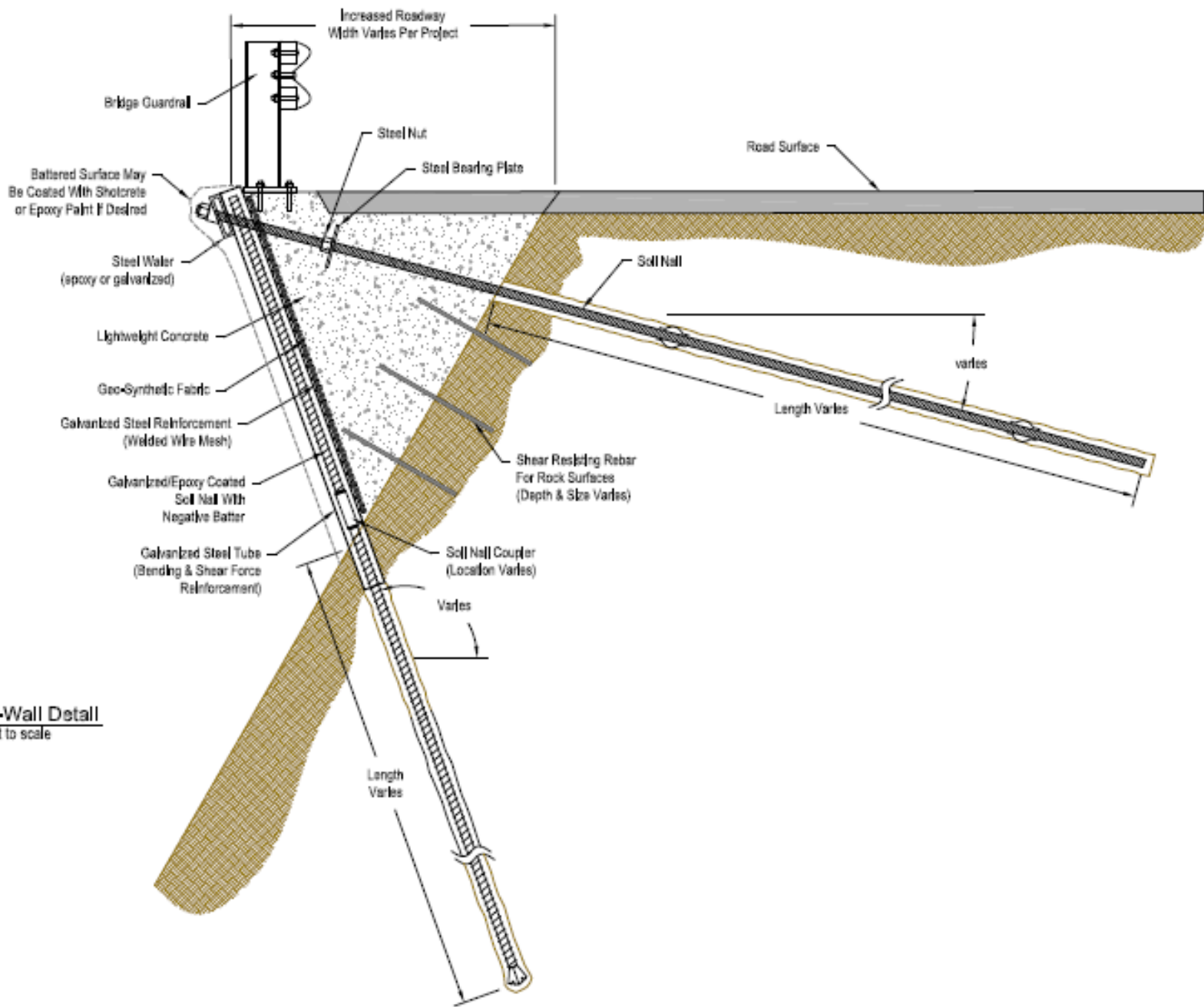


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A V-Wall Detail
 1 not to scale

























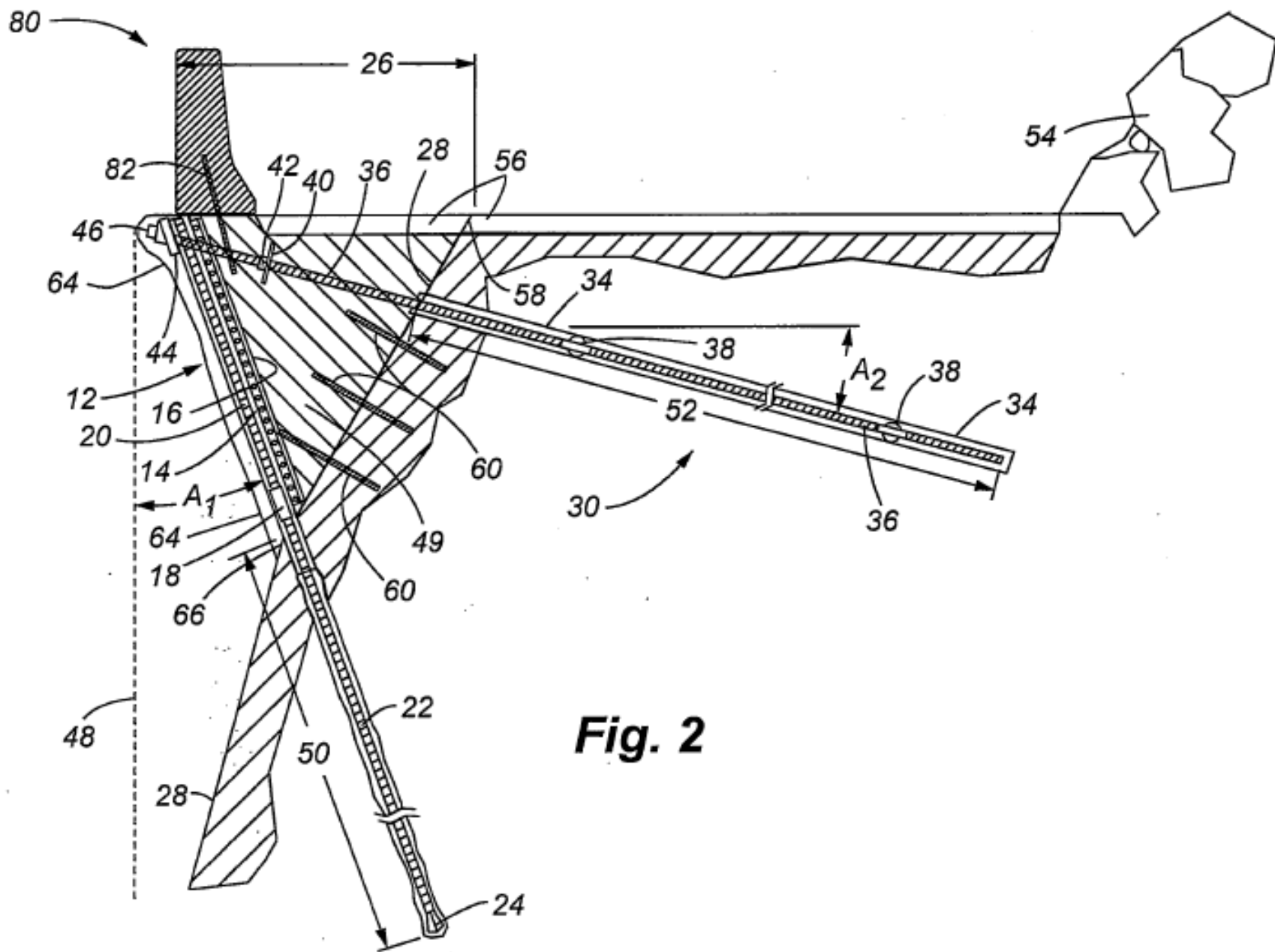


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