

# **SUPPORT SERVICES BUILDING**

**PENN STATE MILTON S. HERSHEY MEDICAL CENTER**



**PENN STATE AE SENIOR THESIS FINAL PRESENTATION**

**WILL LAZRATION**

**CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT - DR. RILEY**

**I. PROJECT BACKGROUND**

**II. ANALYSIS #1: FOUNDATION RE-DESIGN**

- I. Initial Conditions
- II. Re-Design

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- I. Part I: Geothermal System
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  - II. System Design (Electrical Breadth)

**V. LESSONS LEARNED**

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### OWNER:

- Pennsylvania State University
- Hershey Medical Center

### LOCATION:

- Hershey Medical Center – Hershey PA

### BUILDING INFORMATION

- 42,796 SF
- 2 Stories + 1,000 SF Basement
- Built Atop Existing Utility Tunnel

### PROJECT INFORMATION

- Delivery Method: Design-Bid-Build
- Contract Type: CM @ Risk
- Project Cost: \$14,395,331.00 GMP
- Construction Dates: 6-1-2010 – 8-31-2011



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**STRUCTURAL SYSTEM**

- Micropiles
- Pile caps and gradebeams
- Rigid Structural Steel Frame

**EXTERIOR ENCLOSURE:**

- Arriscraft Masonry veneer with CMU backup
- Centria Metal Panels
- Glazed Aluminum Curtain Wall
- 3-ply Cold Applied Built-Up Roof



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**PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION**

- Micropile foundation recommendations based on significantly larger loads
- Micropiles are expensive
- Installation Issue arose on project

**RESEARCH GOALS**

- Perform preliminary foundation resign
- Reduce total project cost
- Reduce overall project schedule



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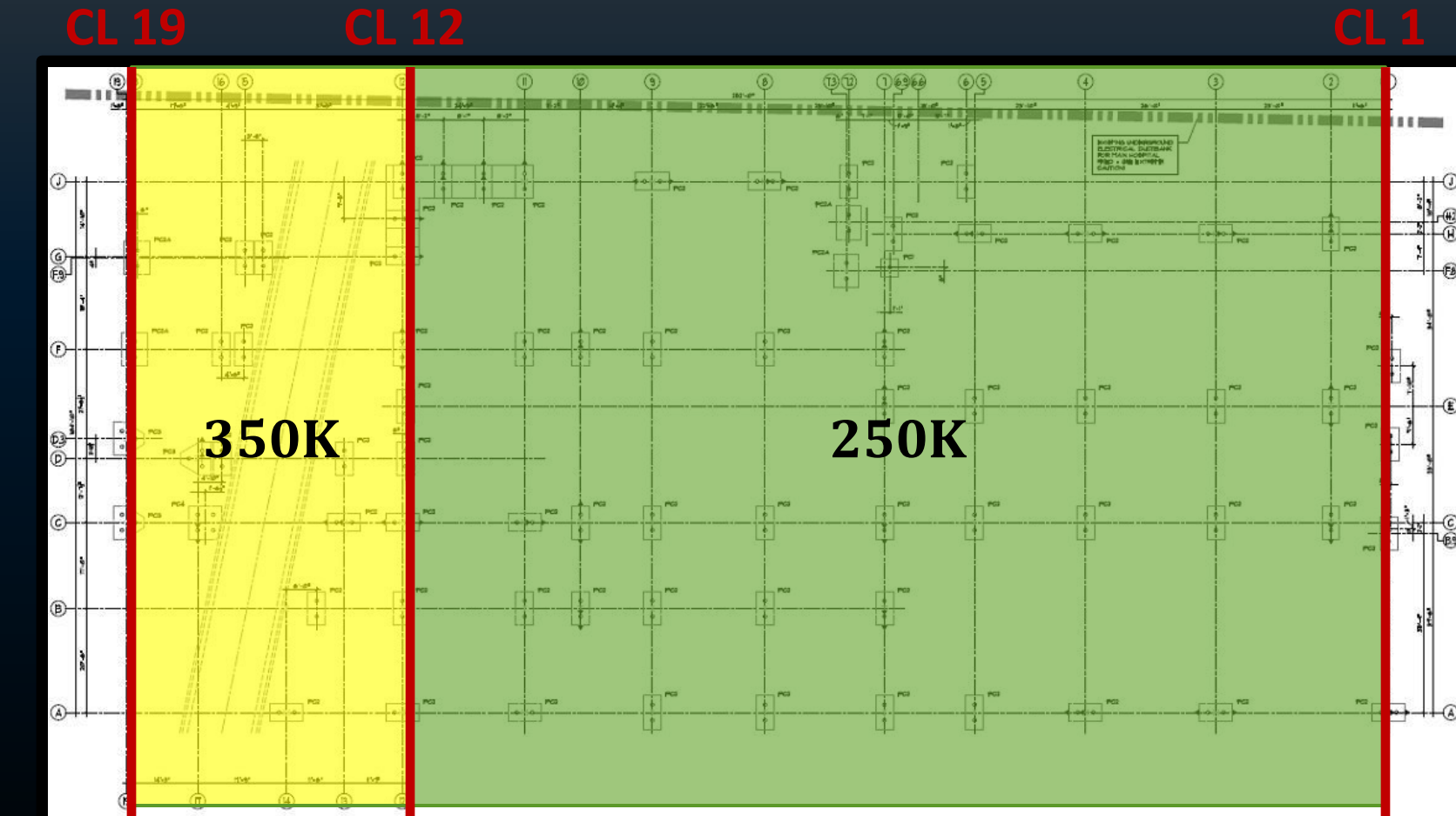
**GEOTECHNICAL REPORT REVIEW**

- Based on 350K and 250K Column Loads
- Karstic Bedrock (average depth: 40ft)
- Mostly moist & stiff Silts & Clays
- Bearing Capacity 2,000 PSF

**ACTUAL COLUMN LOADS & ESTIMATED SETTLEMENTS**

- 350K loads acceptable,
- 250K >> 98K Average (196K Max, 20K Min)
- Settlements still >1" (Column lines 1-12)

**=> Soil Improvement Needed**



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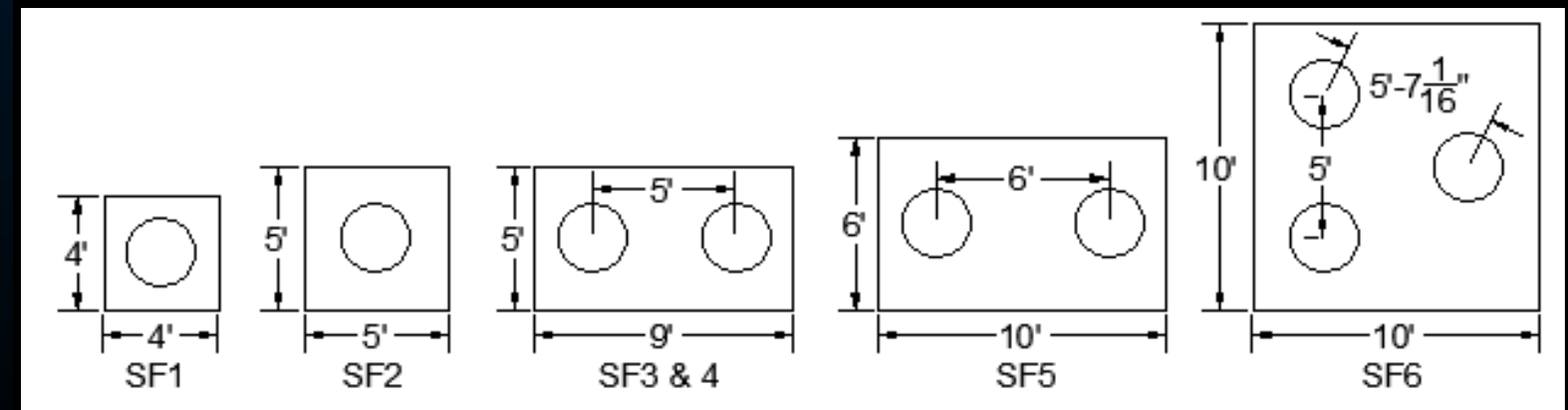
**GEOPIER RAMMED AGGREGATE PIERS**

- Relatively Newer Technology
- 2-3' Drilled Hole filled with compacted aggregate in 1-2' lift
- Proven System on Medical Center's Campus (Centerview Parking Garage)

**SPREAD FOOTING DESIGN WITH GEOPIERS (CL 1-12)**

- 30" Diameter pier (S) increased Soil Bearing Capacity to 5,000 PSF
- Minimum Geopier Element Spacing (2x Diameter) Ruled Design
- Limited Settlement to under 3/4"
- Limited Differential Settlement to under 1/2"

FOOTING SCHEDULE				
ID	Footing Size	Depth (ft)	# of Geopier® Elements	Depth of Geopier®(s) (ft)
SF1	4'-0" x 4'-0"	3'-9"	1	14
SF2	5'-0" x 5'-0"	3'-9"	1	16
SF3	5'-0" x 9'-0"	3'-9"	2	18
SF4	5'-0" x 9'-0"	5'-0"	2	20
SF5	6'-0" x 10'-0"	3'-9"	2	20
SF6	10'-0" x 10'-0"	3'-9"	3	20



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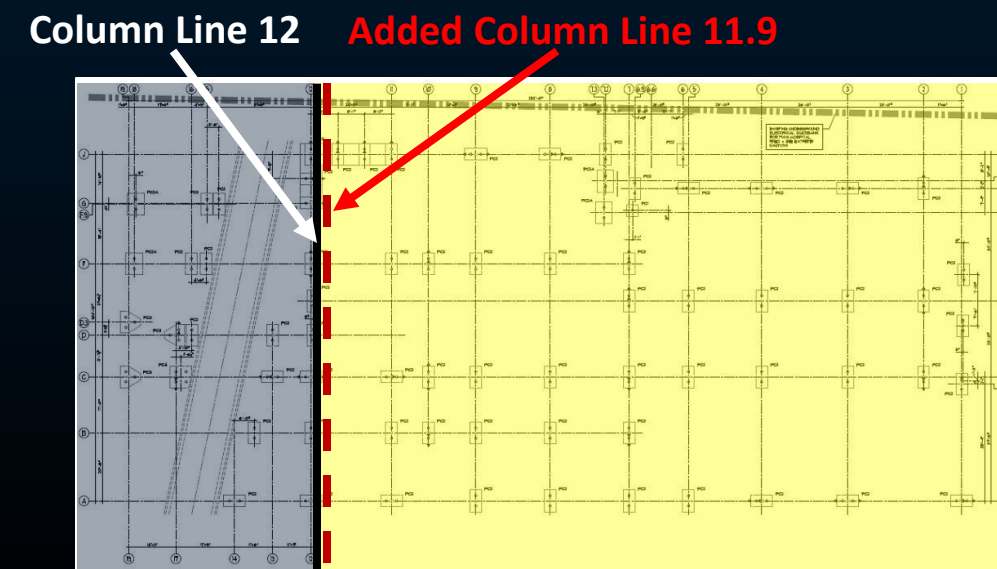
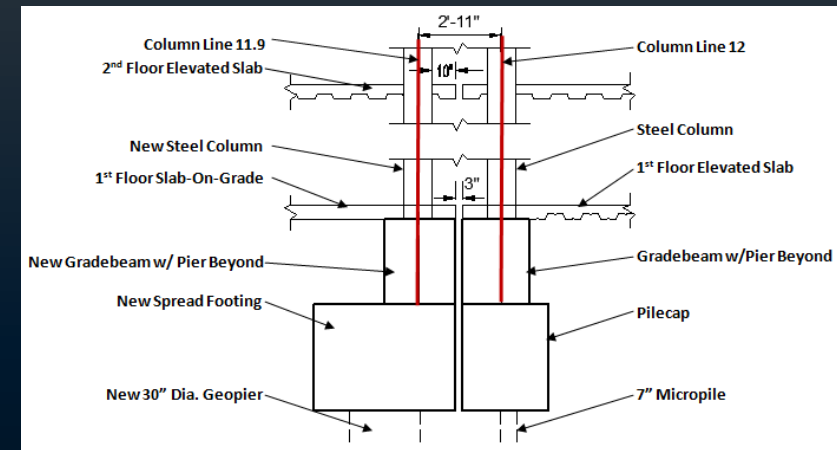
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## ADDED COLUMN LINE 11.9

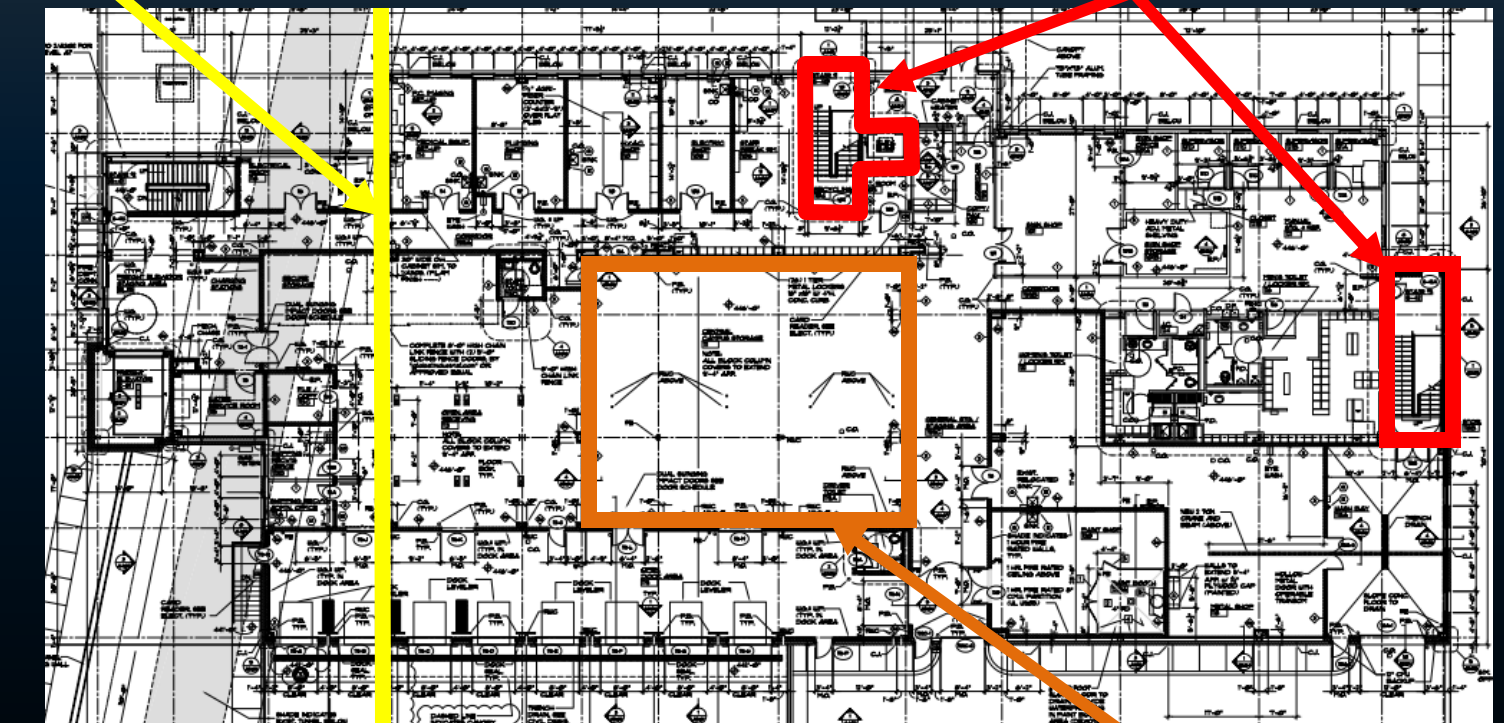
- Isolated the two foundation types
- Able to withstand vertical movements
- Separates SOG from 1<sup>st</sup> floor elevated deck

## LATERAL LOADS

- Utilize elevator & stair tower CMU shafts
- Extend 1<sup>st</sup> floor CMU @ Central Campus Storage to roof

Column Line 11.9

CMU Shafts that extend from 1<sup>st</sup> floor to the roof



1<sup>st</sup> floor CMU walls to be extended to the roof



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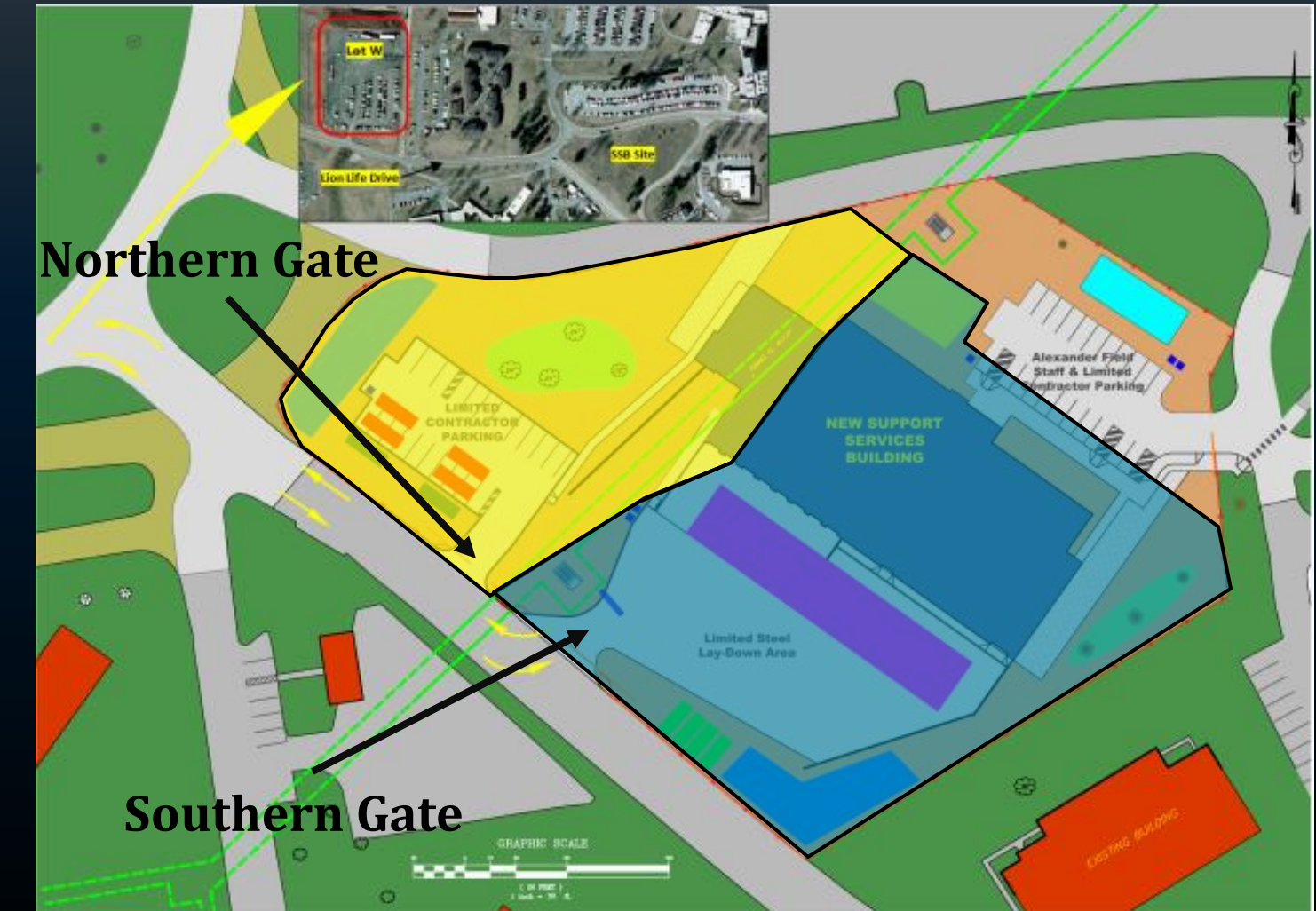
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Activity ID	Activity Name	Original Duration	Start	Finish		J	July 2010	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M		
<b>CONSTRUCTION</b>																	
<b>GENERAL</b>																	
A1030	Site Clearing	5	14-Jun-10	18-Jun-10													
A1040	Site Cut/Fill	15	15-Jun-10	06-Jul-10													
<b>ZONE 1 - COLUMN LINES 1-11.9</b>																	
A1050	Geopier Mobilization	0	06-Jul-10														
A1070	Geopier Installation	4	07-Jul-10	12-Jul-10													
A1100	Spread Footings	20	12-Jul-10	06-Aug-10													
A1120	Gradebeam Installation	20	26-Jul-10	20-Aug-10													
A1140	Foundation Wall Installation	15	16-Aug-10	03-Sep-10													
A1160	Underlab Utilities	10	07-Sep-10	20-Sep-10													
A1170	Backfill Foundations	15	07-Sep-10	27-Sep-10													
A1180	Prep. Form. & Pour Slab On Grade	10	27-Sep-10	08-Oct-10													
A1181	Misc. Masonry Bearing Wall Installation	15	11-Oct-10	29-Oct-10													
A1190	Erect Structural Steel	25	18-Oct-10	19-Nov-10													
A1240	Complete Structural Steel	0		19-Nov-10													
<b>ZONE 2 - COLUMN LINES 12-19</b>																	
A1060	Excavation of Tunnel/Install Excavation	15	06-Jul-10	26-Jul-10													
A1080	Micropile Mobilization	0	26-Jul-10														
A1090	Micropile Installation	8	27-Jul-10	05-Aug-10													
A1110	Pilecap Installation	10	06-Aug-10	19-Aug-10													
A1130	Gradebeam Installation	10	16-Aug-10	27-Aug-10													
A1150	Foundation Wall Installation	15	23-Aug-10	13-Sep-10													
A1200	Underlab Utilities	5	13-Sep-10	17-Sep-10													
A1210	Backfill Foundation Walls	15	13-Sep-10	01-Oct-10													
A1220	Steel Mobilization	0	04-Oct-10														
A1230	Erect Structural Steel	10	04-Oct-10	15-Oct-10													

## SCHEDULE IMPLICATIONS

- Original structural steel completion date: **November 29th**
- Work on both foundation systems (zones) simultaneously
- New structural steel completion date: **November 19th**
- 2 week reduction in overall project schedule

## SITE LOGISTICS IMPLICATIONS

- Zone 2 utilize northernmost gate & northern side of site
- Zone 1 utilize southernmost gate & southern side of site



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**ESTIMATED COSTS**

ELIMINATED ITEMS	
Micropiles	\$460,500.86
Pilecaps	\$27,214.29
Moment Connections	\$15,000.00
<b>Total of Deleted Items:</b>	<b>\$502,715.05</b>

GENERAL CONDITIONS	
Weekly	\$14,283.62
<b>Total for 2 Weeks:</b>	<b>\$28,567.25</b>

**Eliminated Items**

- 101 Micropiles
- 51 Pilecaps

**General Conditions Savings**

- 2 Weeks

**Added Items**

- 93 Geopiers
- 259 CY of Concrete
- 5.69 Ton of Reinforcing
- 8.5 Ton of Structural Steel

Cost of New Foundation Design	\$408,410.03
Cost of Deleted Elements	<del>-\$502,715.05</del>
General Conditions Savings (2 weeks)	<del>-\$28,567.25</del>
<b>Total Cost Savings:</b>	<b><del>-\$122,872.27</del></b>

**NEW DESIGN**

Geopiers®	\$199,796.70
Spread Footings	\$93,820.78
Added Gradebeam & Piers	\$20,467.06
Expansion Joint	\$14,240.45
Structural Steel	\$32,065.51
CMU Lateral Load Walls	\$30,000.00
Contingency	\$18,171.11

**Total Cost of New Design: \$408,410.03**

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**CONCLUSION**

- Foundation design based on significantly higher loading conditions
- Redesigned foundation system reduced both cost and schedule

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Architects/Engineers should strongly consider Geopier foundation elements vs. micropiles
- Consider actual loading conditions before making final determination on proper foundation system

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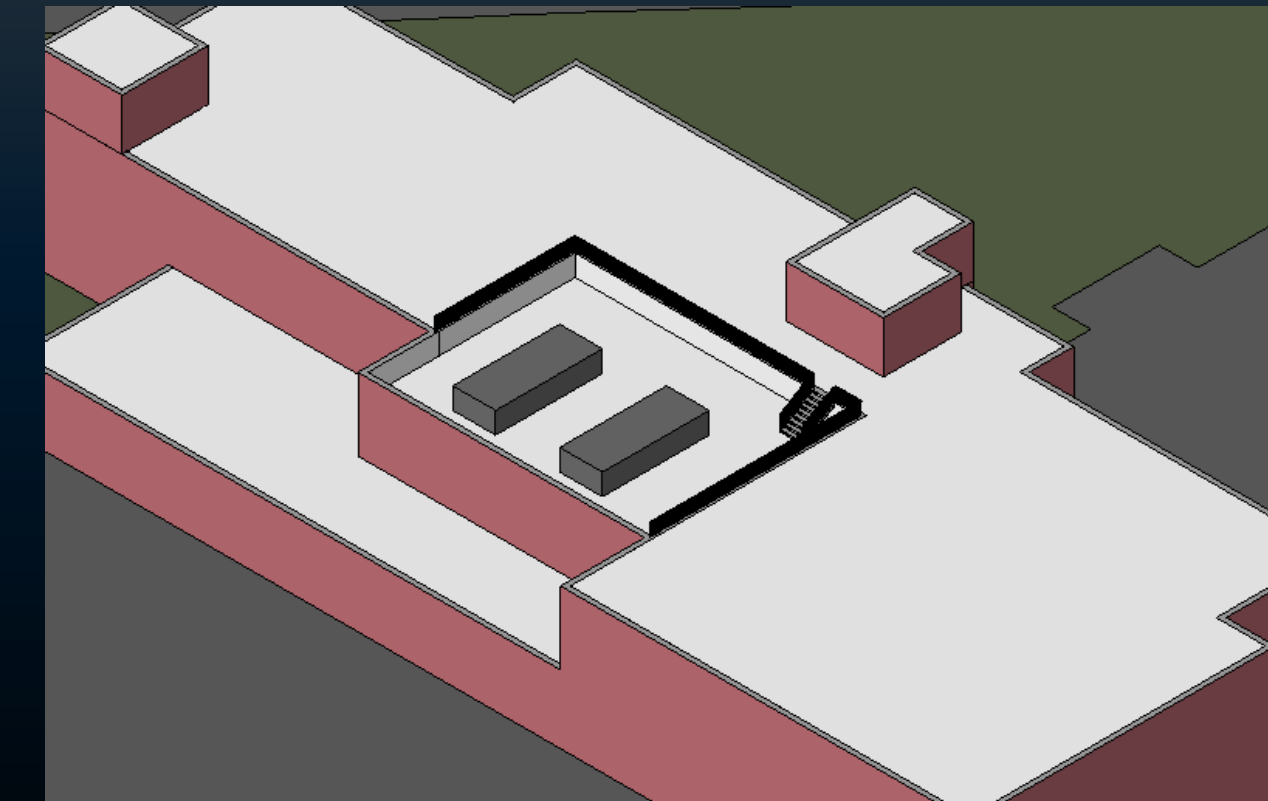
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**PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION**

- Cold Applied BUR is both expensive and has slow installation rate
- Cold Applied BUR is not often considered the most sustainable roof
- 3,600SF Offset Roof required additional time and material all to hide rooftop RTU's

**RESEARCH GOALS**

- Compare several roofing types on sustainability, cost, & schedule
- Determine both cost and schedules savings with elimination of offset roof



SSB with Offset Roof

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**ROOFPOINT RATING SYSTEM**

- Center for Environmental Innovation in Roofing
- Rates only roofs for their sustainability
- Places emphasis on importance of the roof to a buildings integrity

**ROOFPOINT COMPARISON**

- Virtually all similar => not limited to 1 or 2 roofing types
- Shows that roofing industry has embraced sustainability

ROOFPOINT RATING							
Built-Up Bitumen		Single Ply			Modified Membranes		Vegetated
Hot Applied	Cold Applied	EPDM	TPO	PVC	APP	SBS	Extensive
15	15	14	14	14	13	13	15

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Credit								
<b>SECTION 1: ENERGY MANAGEMENT</b>								
E1 - High R Roof Systems	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
E2 - Best Thermal Practices	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
E3 - Roof Surface Thermal Contribution	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
E4 - Roof Air Barrier	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
E5 - Rooftop Energy Systems								
E6 - Rooftop Daylighting								
<b>SECTION 2: MATERIAL MANAGEMENT</b>								
M1 - Recycled Content	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
M2 - Materials Reuse								
M3 - Roofing Waste Management	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
M4 - Low-VOC Materials	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>SECTION 3: WATER MANAGEMENT</b>								
W1 - Roof Storm Water Retention								x
W2 - Roof-Related Water Use Reduction								
<b>SECTION 4: DURABILITY / LIFE CYCLE MANAGEMENT</b>								
D1 - Durable Roof Insulation System	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
D2 - Roof Drainage Design	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
D3 - Roof Traffic Protection	x	x						x
D4 - Increased Wind Uplift Resistance								
D5 - Hydrothermal Analysis	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
D6 - Construction Moisture Management	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
D7 - Roof System Durability Enhancement	x	x	x	x	x			x
L1 - Roof Maintenance Program	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
L2 - Project Installation Quality Management	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>SECTION 5: ENVIRONMENTAL INNOVATION IN ROOFING</b>								
IR 1 - Innovation in Design								
IR 2 - Exemplary Performance								
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>

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**COST & SCHEDULE COMPARISON**

- Single Ply most cost effective and shortest install rate
- Vegetated significantly more

System	Type	Approx. Cost (SF)	Typical Installation Rate	Typical Warranty Period
Built-Up Bitumen	Hot Applied	\$13-\$15	20-25 square/day	15- 20 year
	Cold Applied	\$13-\$15	20-25 square/day	15- 20 year
Single Ply	EPDM	\$9-\$11	30-35 square/day	15- 20 year
	TPO	\$10-\$12	30-35 square/day	15- 20 year
	PVC	\$9-\$11	30-35 square/day	15- 20 year
Modified Membranes	APP	\$12-S14	25-30 square/day	15- 20 year
	SBS	\$13-S15	25-30 square/day	15- 20 year
Vegetated	Extensive	\$20-S25	5 square/day	10-15 year

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**MATERIAL COST SAVINGS**

• \$41,030.00

**SCHEDULE SAVINGS**

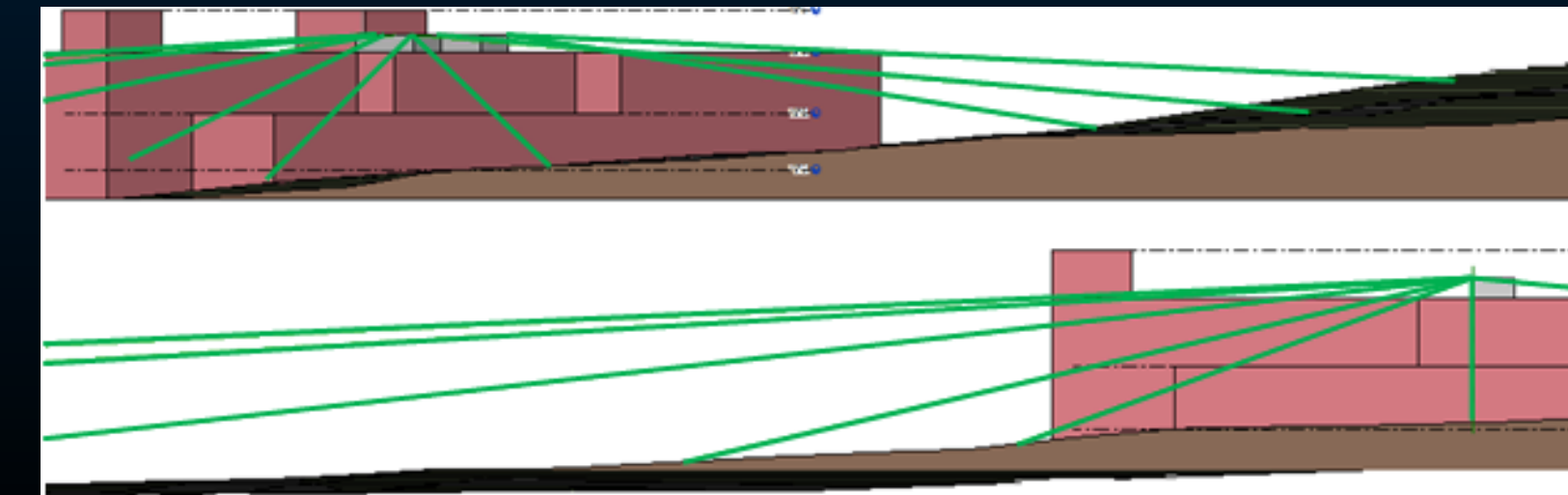
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**TOTAL COST SAVINGS**

• \$55,314.00



**LINE OF SIGHT STUDY**



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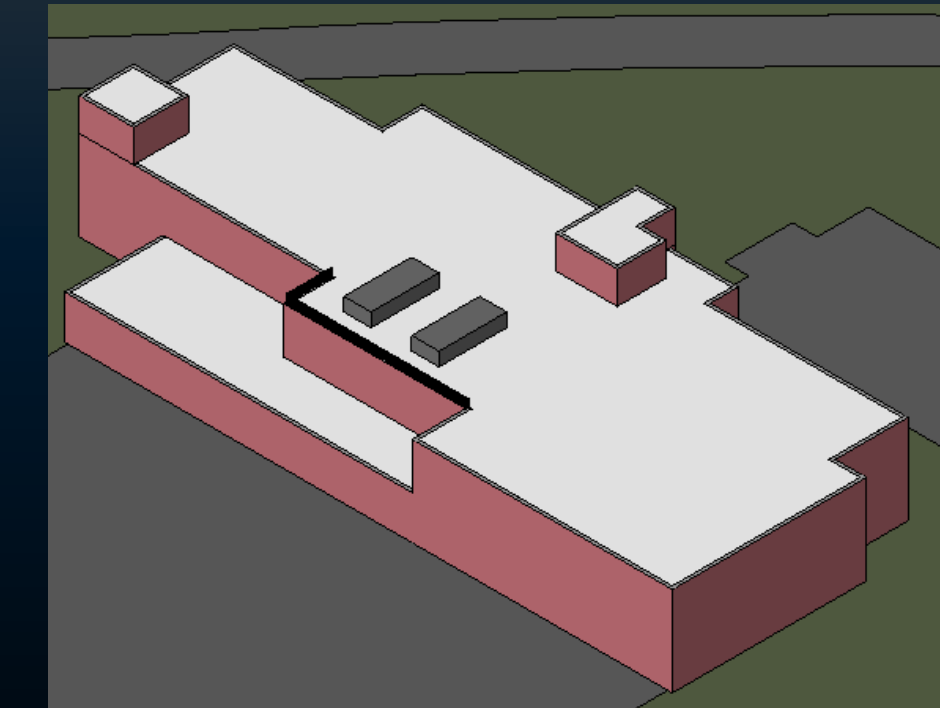
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**CONCLUSION**

- There is no one single preferred roofing type for all projects
- Sustainable roofs are no longer limited to one or two types

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Architects/Engineers should consider buildings function & owner wants before selecting a roof
- Cold Applied BUR was proper choice for the SSB



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**PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION**

- SSB utilized very few sustainable techniques
- SSB generates no income to offset operating costs
- PSU has no buildings that incorporate onsite renewable energy

**RESEARCH GOALS**

- Design preliminary onsite renewable energy systems
- Make the SSB a research platform for PSU

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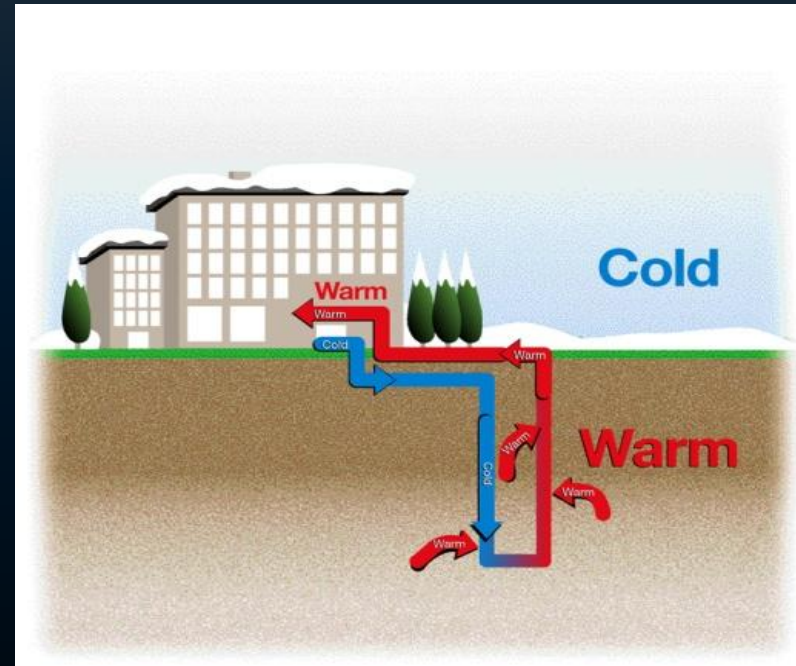
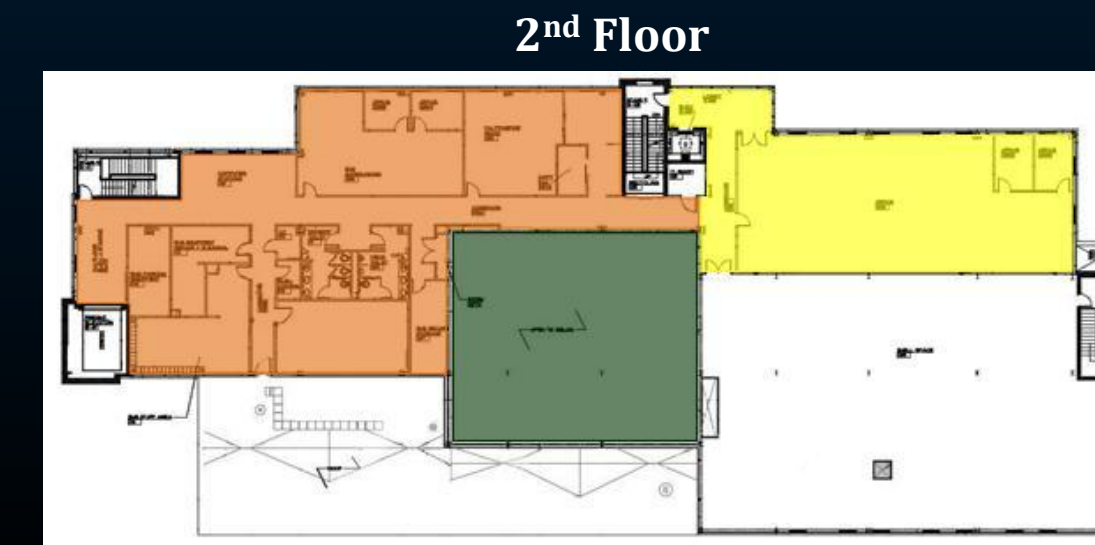


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**GEOTHERMAL SYSTEM**

- Closed Loop Ground System
- 40 Wells
- Building broke down into 6 zones
- Total additional cost added to project: \$478,000.00



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Day			
<b>Spring Equinox - March 20th/21st</b>			
Time	9:00 A.M.	12:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.
Altitude Angle (°)	30.66	49.98	35.14
Azimuth Angle (South = 0°)	-60.43	-5.33	54.25
<b>Summer Solstice - June 21st/22nd</b>			
Time	9:00 A.M.	12:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.
Altitude Angle (°)	47.2	73.07	50.34
Azimuth Angle (South = 0°)	-81.5	-6.6	78.15
<b>Fall Equinox - September 22nd/23rd</b>			
Time	9:00 A.M.	12:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.
Altitude Angle (°)	32.93	49.89	32.61
Azimuth Angle (South = 0°)	-57.11	0.30	57.39
<b>Winter Solstice - December 21st/22nd</b>			
Time	9:00 A.M.	12:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.
Altitude Angle (°)	13.1	26.27	14.42
Azimuth Angle (South = 0°)	-42.91	-1.33	40.87

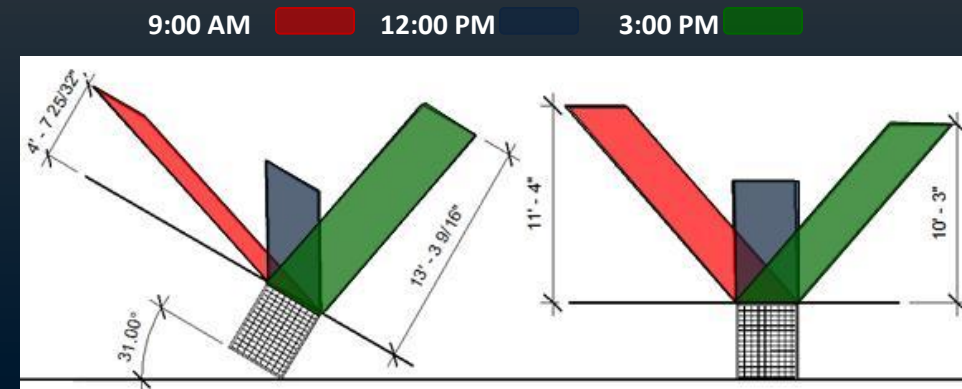
**SITE & BUILDING SHADE ANALYSIS**

- Sun Position in sky
- Optimum solar window: 9:00 AM – 3:00PM
- No shade on building
- Rooftop projection shadows



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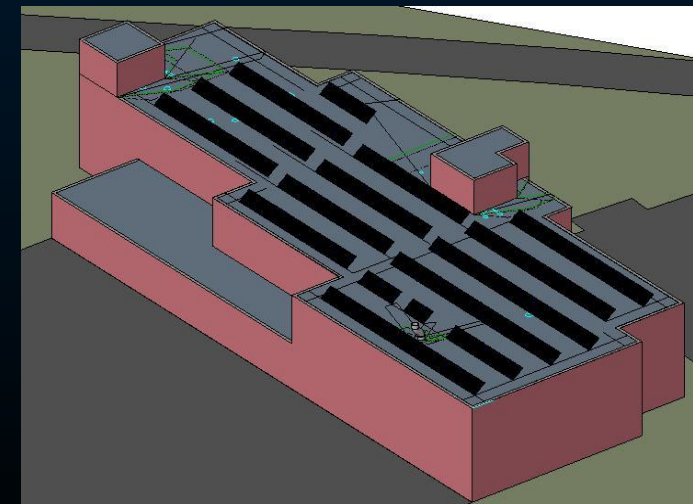


Minimum Row Spacing Determined by Shadow Lengths

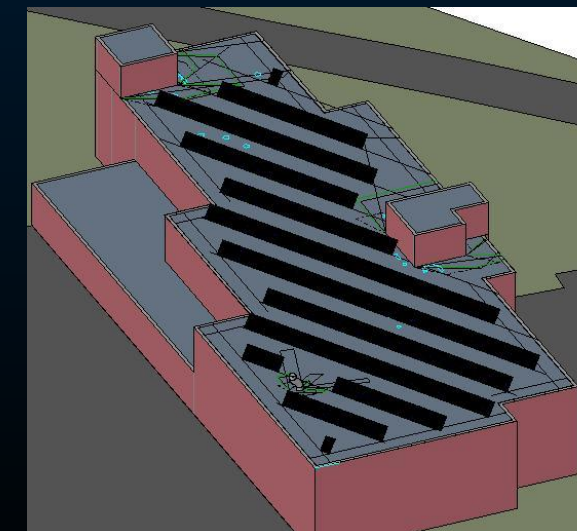
**FINAL SYSTEM DESIGN**

- Due south orientation
- 1-axis tracking (adjustable tilt)
- Row spacing = minimum per 35°

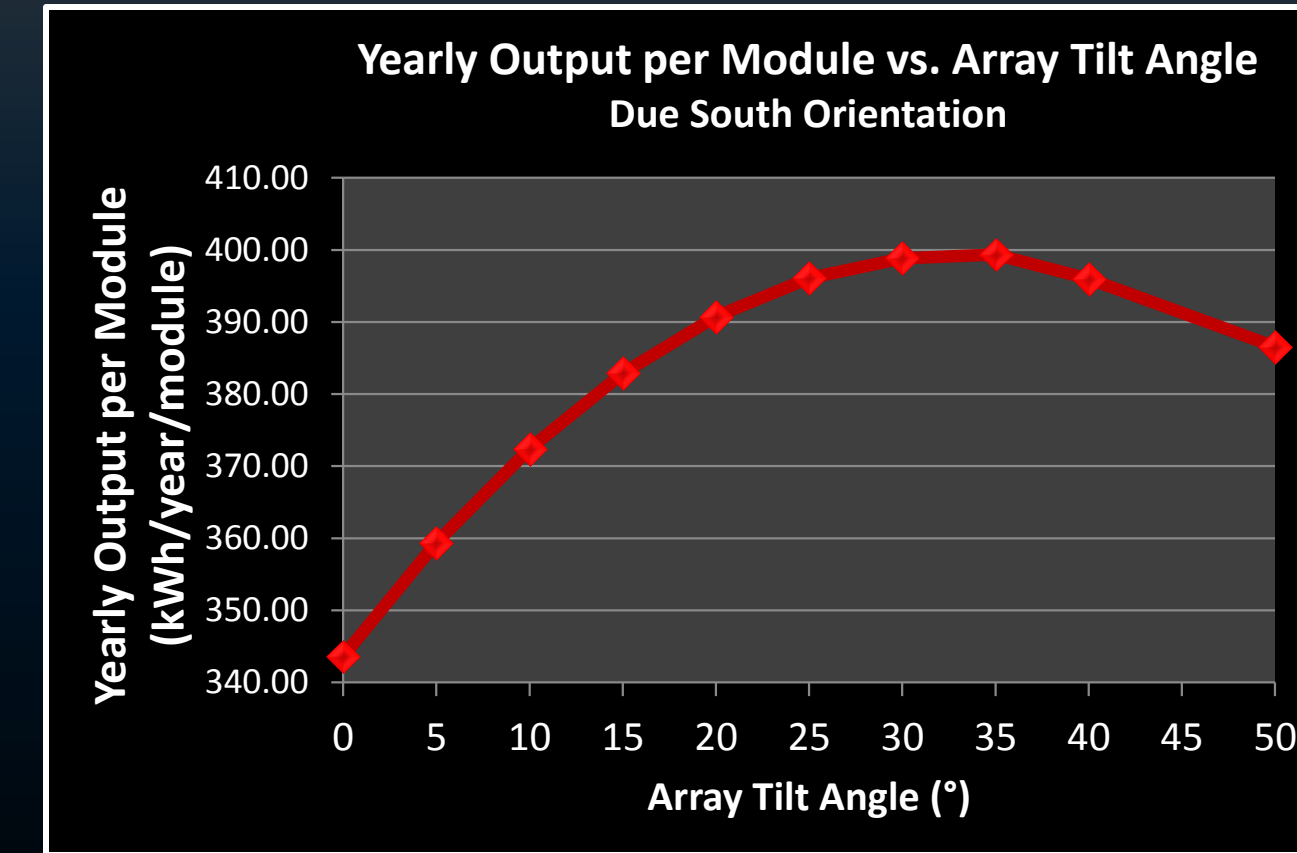
ARRAY ORIENTATION & TILT COMPARISON				
Angle	Array Orientation	Min. Row Spacing to Avoid Shading	Max # of Panels	kWh/ Panel/ Year
35°	Rotated 31°	11'-10"	252	385.39
	Due South	9'-9"	253	399.34
30°	Rotated 31°	10'-5"	248	386.42
	Due South	8'-8"	269	398.81



Rotated 31° Orientation with 35° Tilt



Due South Orientation with 35° Tilt



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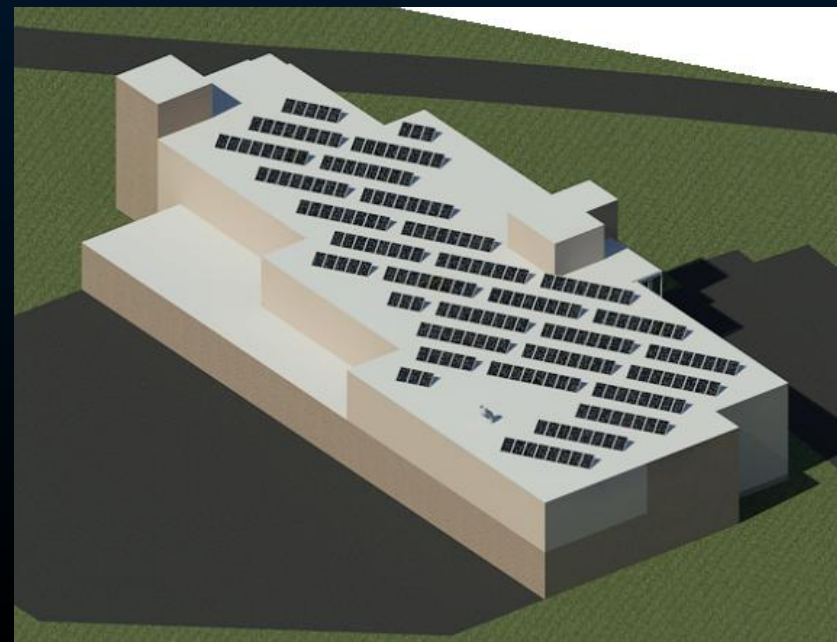
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**SUNPOWER E19-320 MODULES**

- Per NEC max PV array voltage = 600V
- Max voltage calculated at lowest ambient temperature:

Maximum Module Voltage = 72.22V

$$600V / 72.22V = 8.3 \Rightarrow 8 \text{ Modules in series max}$$

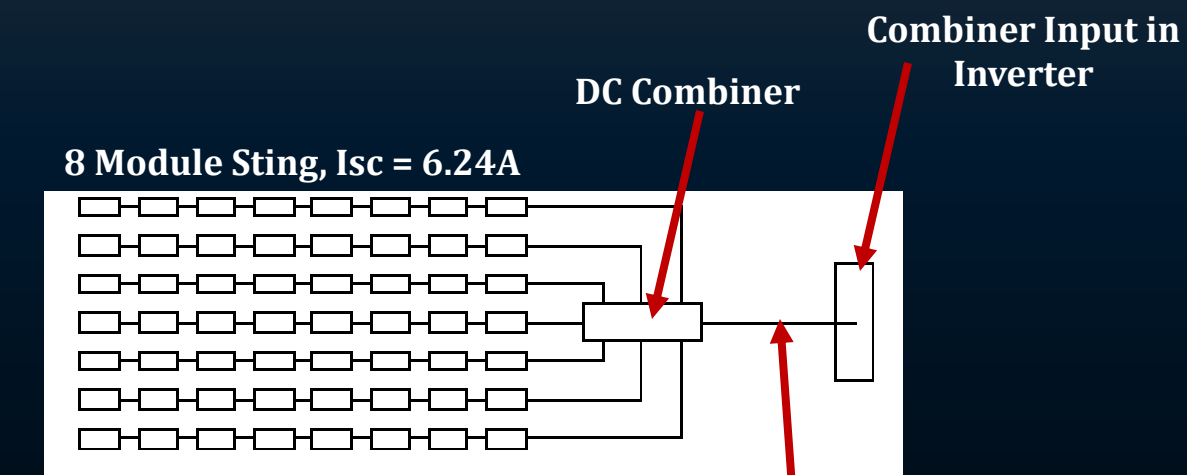


**FINAL LAYOUT & SYSTEM SIZE**

$$28 \text{ Strings} * 8 \text{ modules/string} * 320W = 71.68kW$$

**SATCON POWERGATE PLUS 75kW INVERTER**

- 6 combiner inputs rated at 80A
- 7 string per inverter input

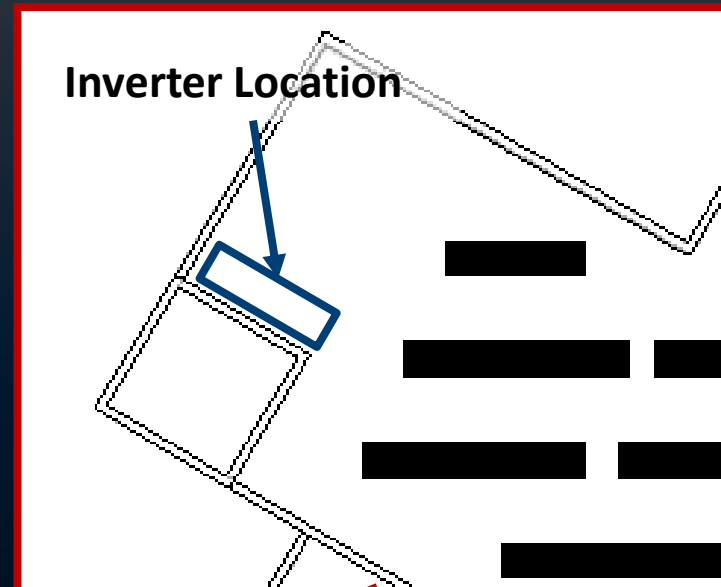


$$6.24 \text{ A/string} * 7 \text{ strings} * 1.56 = 68.14A$$

68.14A < 80A => **OK**

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**FEED FROM INVERTER TO COMBINER PANEL/BOX SIZING**

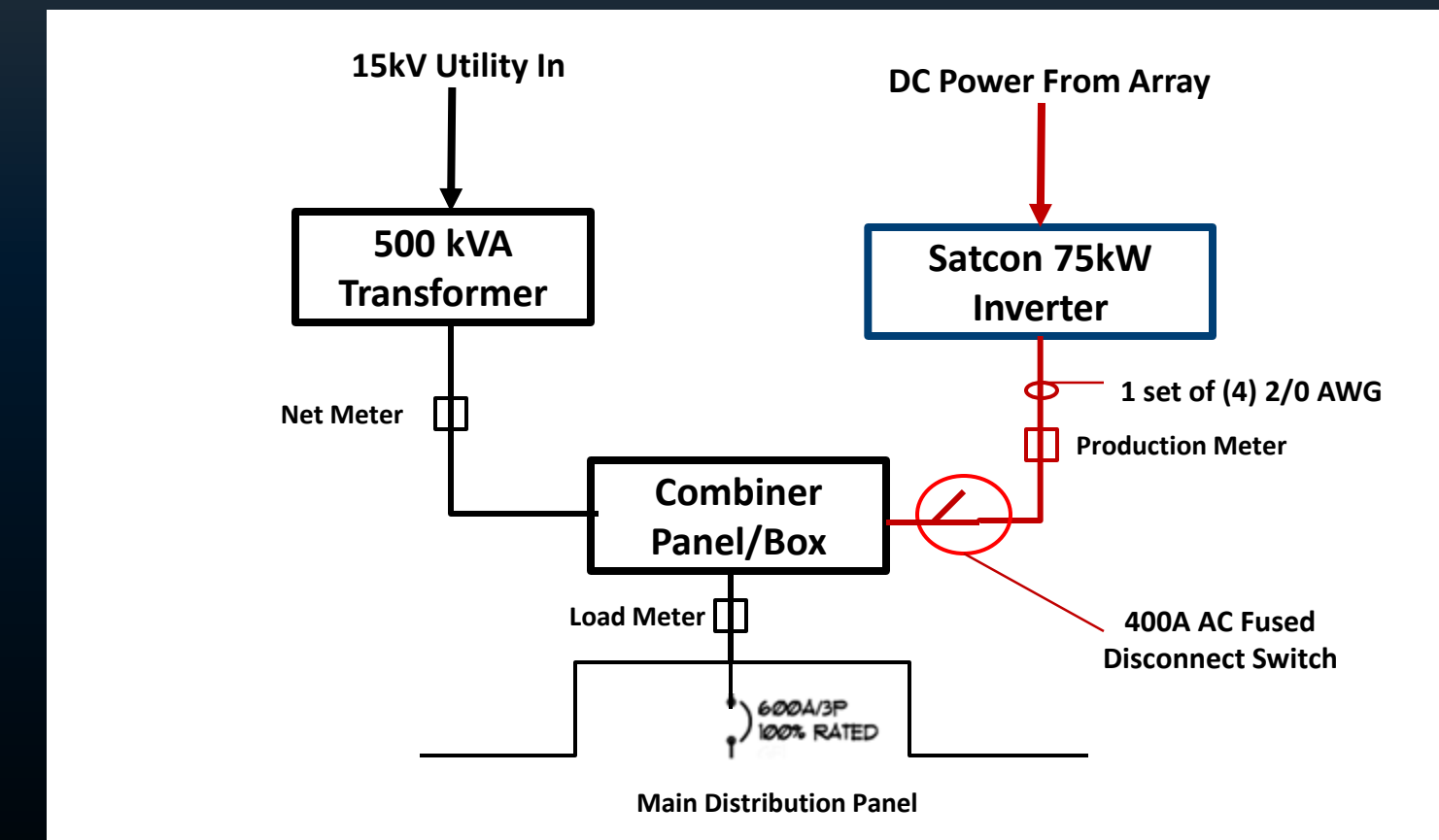
- Max current from inverter data sheet: 91A/phase
- $91A \times 1.56$  (NEC Multiplier) = **142A**
- NEC Table 310.15(B)(2)(a): Multiplier for 4-6 current carrying conductors in a raceway = **0.8**
- NEC Table 310.16 (90°C Wire): 2/0 AWG = **195A**

**$195A \times 0.8 = 156A > 142A \Rightarrow OK$**

**AC FUSED DISCONNECT SWITCH SIZING**

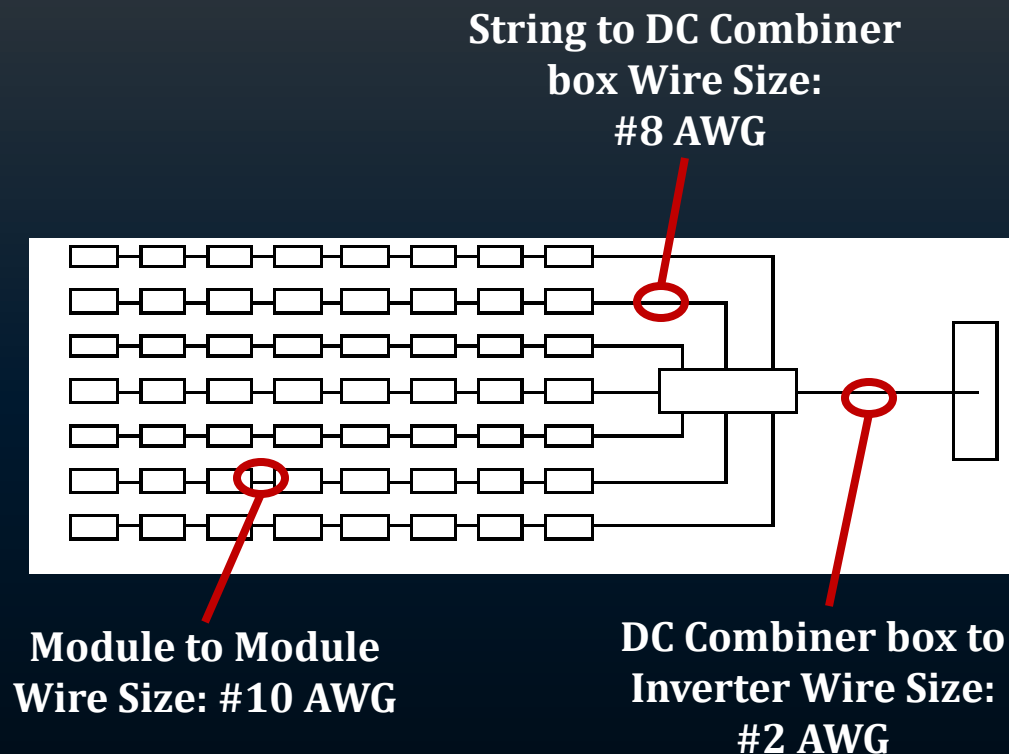
- Max current from inverter data sheet: 91A/phase
- $91A \times 3$  phases  $1.25$  (NEC Multiplier) = **342A**
- Ideal fused disconnect switch size: 350A => not available => **400A**
- Interrupt Rating must be greater than;  $500kVA / (.480kV * 3^{(1/2)}) =$  **600A**

**LOAD SIDE CONNECTION**



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**System Design: 4 Identical groups as shown above**

**STRING TO DC COMBINER BOX WIRE SIZING**

- Isc: **6.24A**
- Maximum String Current =  $6.24A * 1.56$  (NEC multiplier for wire sizing) = **9.73A**
- From NEC Table 310.15(B)(2)(c): **22°C**
- Adjusted Temperature =  $(36°C + 22°C) = 58°C$
- From NEC Table 310.16: **0.71 for 90°C wire**
- From NEC Table 310.16, #12 AWG 90°C Wire =  **$25A * .71 = 17.75A > 9.73 => Ok.$**

**Common practice is to us a minimum of #10AWG for PV Systems**

**STRING TO DC COMBINER BOX POWER LOSS CHECK**

Power Loss Equation = 
$$\frac{(Number\ of\ Current\ Carrying\ Wires) * (Wire\ Factor) * \left(\frac{Length}{1000}\right) * I^2}{Total\ Watts}$$

From NEC table 8: Wire factor for #10AWG = **1.26Ω/kFT**

Average Wire Length: **50ft**

I<sub>mp</sub> = **5.86A**

Power Loss = 
$$\frac{\left(\frac{2\ current\ carrying\ conductors}{string}\right) * \frac{1.26\Omega}{kFT} * \frac{50ft}{1000} * 5.86^2}{8\ modules * 320\ W/module} * 28\ strings = 3.7\%$$

**=> Increase wire size to # 8 to limit power loss**

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PV SYSTEM ESTIMATE		
Item	Description	Cost
	Resized Steel Joists	\$1,106.20
	Sunpower E19-320 Solar Modules	\$476,400.00
	Sacton Powergate Plus 75kW Inverter	\$36,000.00
	Wire	\$5,538.00
	Misc.	\$26,740.00
	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>\$545,784.20</b>

**ESTIMATED COST OF SYSTEM**

Cost of PV System Alone: \$545,784.00

•OPTION 1: Relocated RTU's to lower roof

**Total Cost: \$495,004.00**

•OPTION 2: Installation with Geothermal System

**Total Cost: \$967,702.00**

**ESTIMATED YEARLY OUTPUT OF SYSTEM**

From PVWatts: **102,240 kWh**

Total Value of Electricity Produced ≈ **\$10,000.00**

Estimated yearly building electric usage: **547,500 kWh**

Percent PV system will offset building usage: **19%**



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**CONCLUSION**

- SSB roof idea for photovoltaic array
- 98% of additional cost to add a Geothermal system is the installation of the wells & horizontal piping

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Install both Geothermal & PV array on SSB
- PSU can use SSB to research operating techniques of buildings with these systems to figure out best way to incorporate them into their building projects of the future

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**ANALYSIS I:**

- Minimum Geopier element spacing often governs design
- Cost to increase concrete foundation element sizes is minimal compared to total cost of project

**ANALYSIS II:**

- Sustainable roofing goes beyond LEED
- A cheaper roof is not always the best choice for every project

**ANALYSIS III:**

- Wire size is often governed by power loss, not NEC minimum requirements
- PV array layout on rotated buildings needs to be analyzed closely

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