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City of West Monroe
2305 N. 7th Street
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Attn: Mayor Staci Albriton Mitchell
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RE: Proposal for Geotechnical Engineering Services
Cotton Street Improvements
Bridge Street to Wood Street
West Monroe, Louisiana
Terracon Proposal No. PBB245073

Dear Mayor Mitchell:

We appreciate the opportunity to submit this proposal to City of West Monroe (CWM) to provide Geotechnical Engineering services for the above referenced project. The following are exhibits to the attached Agreement for Services.

Exhibit A	Project Understanding
Exhibit B	Scope of Services
Exhibit C	Compensation and Project Schedule
Exhibit D	Site Location and Nearby Geotechnical Data
Exhibit E	Anticipated Exploration Plan

Our base fee to perform the Scope of Services described in this proposal is \$7,935 with an anticipated delivery date of 4 to 5 weeks after signed authorization. Exhibit C includes details of our fees and consideration of additional services as well as a general breakdown of our anticipated schedule.

Your authorization for Terracon to proceed in accordance with this proposal can be issued by signing and returning a copy of the attached Supplement to Agreement for Services to our office.

Sincerely,
Terracon

Jim Belt

James M. Belt, P.E.
Senior Engineer

Albert Ayenu-Prah, Jr.

Albert Y. Ayenu-Prah, Jr., PhD., P.E.
Senior Engineer

AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

This **AGREEMENT** is between City of West Monroe LA ("Client") and Terracon Consultants, Inc. ("Consultant") for Services to be provided by Consultant for Client on the Cotton Street Improvements project ("Project"), as described in Consultant's Proposal dated 12/06/2024 ("Proposal"), including but not limited to the Project Information section, unless the Project is otherwise described in Exhibit A to this Agreement (which section or Exhibit is incorporated into this Agreement).

- 1. Scope of Services.** The scope of Consultant's services is described in the Proposal, including but not limited to the Scope of Services section ("Services"), unless Services are otherwise described in Exhibit B to this Agreement (which section or exhibit is incorporated into this Agreement). Portions of the Services may be subcontracted. Consultant's Services do not include the investigation or detection of, nor do recommendations in Consultant's reports address the presence or prevention of biological pollutants (e.g., mold, fungi, bacteria, viruses, or their byproducts) or occupant safety issues, such as vulnerability to natural disasters, terrorism, or violence. If Services include purchase of software, Client will execute a separate software license agreement. Consultant's findings, opinions, and recommendations are based solely upon data and information obtained by and furnished to Consultant at the time of the Services.
- 2. Acceptance/ Termination.** Client agrees that execution of this Agreement is a material element of the consideration Consultant requires to execute the Services, and if Services are initiated by Consultant prior to execution of this Agreement as an accommodation for Client at Client's request, both parties shall consider that commencement of Services constitutes formal acceptance of all terms and conditions of this Agreement. Additional terms and conditions may be added or changed only by written amendment to this Agreement signed by both parties. In the event Client uses a purchase order or other form to administer this Agreement, the use of such form shall be for convenience purposes only and any additional or conflicting terms it contains are stricken. This Agreement shall not be assigned by either party without prior written consent of the other party. Either party may terminate this Agreement or the Services upon written notice to the other. In such case, Consultant shall be paid costs incurred and fees earned to the date of termination plus reasonable costs of closing the Project.
- 3. Change Orders.** Client may request changes to the scope of Services by altering or adding to the Services to be performed. If Client so requests, Consultant will return to Client a statement (or supplemental proposal) of the change setting forth an adjustment to the Services and fees for the requested changes. Following Client's review, Client shall provide written acceptance. If Client does not follow these procedures, but instead directs, authorizes, or permits Consultant to perform changed or additional work, the Services are changed accordingly and Consultant will be paid for this work according to the fees stated or its current fee schedule. If project conditions change materially from those observed at the site or described to Consultant at the time of proposal, Consultant is entitled to a change order equitably adjusting its Services and fee.
- 4. Compensation and Terms of Payment.** Client shall pay compensation for the Services performed at the fees stated in the Proposal, including but not limited to the Compensation section, unless fees are otherwise stated in Exhibit C to this Agreement (which section or Exhibit is incorporated into this Agreement). If not stated in either, fees will be according to Consultant's current fee schedule. Fee schedules are valid for the calendar year in which they are issued. Fees do not include sales tax. Client will pay applicable sales tax as required by law. Consultant may invoice Client at least monthly and payment is due upon receipt of invoice. Client shall notify Consultant in writing, at the address below, within 15 days of the date of the invoice if Client objects to any portion of the charges on the invoice, and shall promptly pay the undisputed portion. Client shall pay a finance fee of 1.5% per month, but not exceeding the maximum rate allowed by law, for all unpaid amounts 30 days or older. Client agrees to pay all collection-related costs that Consultant incurs, including attorney fees. Consultant may suspend Services for lack of timely payment. It is the responsibility of Client to determine whether federal, state, or local prevailing wage requirements apply and to notify Consultant if prevailing wages apply. If it is later determined that prevailing wages apply, and Consultant was not previously notified by Client, Client agrees to pay the prevailing wage from that point forward, as well as a retroactive payment adjustment to bring previously paid amounts in line with prevailing wages. Client also agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Consultant from any alleged violations made by any governmental agency regulating prevailing wage activity for failing to pay prevailing wages, including the payment of any fines or penalties.
- 5. Third Party Reliance.** This Agreement and the Services provided are for Consultant and Client's sole benefit and exclusive use with no third party beneficiaries intended. Reliance upon the Services and any work product is limited to Client, and is not intended for third parties other than those who have executed Consultant's reliance agreement, subject to the prior approval of Consultant and Client.
- 6. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY. CLIENT AND CONSULTANT HAVE EVALUATED THE RISKS AND REWARDS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS PROJECT, INCLUDING CONSULTANT'S FEE RELATIVE TO THE RISKS ASSUMED, AND AGREE TO ALLOCATE CERTAIN OF THE ASSOCIATED RISKS. TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW, THE TOTAL AGGREGATE LIABILITY OF CONSULTANT (AND ITS RELATED CORPORATIONS AND EMPLOYEES) TO CLIENT AND THIRD PARTIES GRANTED RELIANCE IS LIMITED TO THE GREATER OF \$25,000 OR CONSULTANT'S FEE, FOR ANY AND ALL INJURIES, DAMAGES, CLAIMS, LOSSES, OR EXPENSES (INCLUDING ATTORNEY AND EXPERT FEES) ARISING OUT OF CONSULTANT'S SERVICES OR THIS AGREEMENT. PRIOR TO ACCEPTANCE OF THIS AGREEMENT AND UPON WRITTEN REQUEST FROM CLIENT, CONSULTANT MAY NEGOTIATE A HIGHER LIMITATION FOR ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATION IN THE FORM OF A SURCHARGE TO BE ADDED TO THE AMOUNT STATED IN THE COMPENSATION SECTION OF THE PROPOSAL. THIS LIMITATION SHALL APPLY REGARDLESS OF AVAILABLE PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE, CAUSE(S), OR THE THEORY OF LIABILITY, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE, INDEMNITY, OR OTHER RECOVERY. THIS LIMITATION SHALL NOT APPLY TO THE EXTENT THE DAMAGE IS PAID UNDER CONSULTANT'S COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY POLICY.**
- 7. Indemnity/Statute of Limitations.** Consultant and Client shall indemnify and hold harmless the other and their respective employees from and against legal liability for claims, losses, damages, and expenses to the extent such claims, losses, damages, or expenses are legally determined to be caused by their negligent acts, errors, or omissions. In the event such claims, losses, damages, or expenses are legally determined to be caused by the joint or concurrent negligence of Consultant and Client, they shall be borne by each party in proportion to its own negligence under comparative fault principles. Neither party shall have a duty to defend the other party, and no duty to defend is hereby created by this indemnity provision and such duty is explicitly waived under this Agreement. Causes of action arising out of Consultant's Services or this Agreement regardless of cause(s) or the theory of liability, including negligence, indemnity or other recovery shall be deemed to have accrued and the applicable statute of limitations shall commence to run not later than the date of Consultant's substantial completion of Services on the project.
- 8. Warranty.** Consultant will perform the Services in a manner consistent with that level of care and skill ordinarily exercised by members of the profession currently practicing under similar conditions in the same locale. **EXCEPT FOR THE STANDARD OF CARE PREVIOUSLY STATED, CONSULTANT MAKES NO WARRANTIES OR GUARANTEES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, RELATING TO CONSULTANT'S SERVICES AND CONSULTANT DISCLAIMS ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OR WARRANTIES IMPOSED BY LAW, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.**
- 9. Insurance.** Consultant represents that it now carries, and will continue to carry: (i) workers' compensation insurance in accordance with the laws of the states having jurisdiction over Consultant's employees who are engaged in the Services, and employer's liability insurance (\$1,000,000); (ii) commercial general liability insurance (\$2,000,000 occ / \$4,000,000 agg); (iii) automobile liability insurance (\$2,000,000 B.I. and P.D. combined single limit); (iv) umbrella liability (\$5,000,000 occ / agg); and (v) professional liability insurance (\$1,000,000 claim / agg). Certificates of insurance will be provided upon request. Client and Consultant shall waive subrogation against the other party on all general liability and property coverage.

- 10. CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.** NEITHER PARTY SHALL BE LIABLE TO THE OTHER FOR LOSS OF PROFITS OR REVENUE; LOSS OF USE OR OPPORTUNITY; LOSS OF GOOD WILL; COST OF SUBSTITUTE FACILITIES, GOODS, OR SERVICES; COST OF CAPITAL; OR FOR ANY SPECIAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, INDIRECT, PUNITIVE, OR EXEMPLARY DAMAGES.
- 11. Dispute Resolution.** Client shall not be entitled to assert a Claim against Consultant based on any theory of professional negligence unless and until Client has obtained the written opinion from a registered, independent, and reputable engineer, architect, or geologist that Consultant has violated the standard of care applicable to Consultant's performance of the Services. Client shall provide this opinion to Consultant and the parties shall endeavor to resolve the dispute within 30 days, after which Client may pursue its remedies at law. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed according to Louisiana law.
- 12. Subsurface Explorations.** Subsurface conditions throughout the site may vary from those depicted on logs of discrete borings, test pits, or other exploratory services. Client understands Consultant's layout of boring and test locations is approximate and that Consultant may deviate a reasonable distance from those locations. Consultant will take reasonable precautions to reduce damage to the site when performing Services; however, Client accepts that invasive services such as drilling or sampling may damage or alter the site. Site restoration is not provided unless specifically included in the Services.
- 13. Testing and Observations.** Client understands that testing and observation are discrete sampling procedures, and that such procedures indicate conditions only at the depths, locations, and times the procedures were performed. Consultant will provide test results and opinions based on tests and field observations only for the work tested. Client understands that testing and observation are not continuous or exhaustive, and are conducted to reduce - not eliminate - project risk. Client shall cause all tests and inspections of the site, materials, and Services performed by Consultant to be timely and properly scheduled in order for the Services to be performed in accordance with the plans, specifications, contract documents, and Consultant's recommendations. No claims for loss or damage or injury shall be brought against Consultant by Client or any third party unless all tests and inspections have been so performed and Consultant's recommendations have been followed. Unless otherwise stated in the Proposal, Client assumes sole responsibility for determining whether the quantity and the nature of Services ordered by Client is adequate and sufficient for Client's intended purpose. Client is responsible (even if delegated to contractor) for requesting services, and notifying and scheduling Consultant so Consultant can perform these Services. Consultant is not responsible for damages caused by Services not performed due to a failure to request or schedule Consultant's Services. Consultant shall not be responsible for the quality and completeness of Client's contractor's work or their adherence to the project documents, and Consultant's performance of testing and observation services shall not relieve Client's contractor in any way from its responsibility for defects discovered in its work, or create a warranty or guarantee. Consultant will not supervise or direct the work performed by Client's contractor or its subcontractors and is not responsible for their means and methods. The extension of unit prices with quantities to establish a total estimated cost does not guarantee a maximum cost to complete the Services. The quantities, when given, are estimates based on contract documents and schedules made available at the time of the Proposal. Since schedule, performance, production, and charges are directed and/or controlled by others, any quantity extensions must be considered as estimated and not a guarantee of maximum cost.
- 14. Sample Disposition, Affected Materials, and Indemnity.** Samples are consumed in testing or disposed of upon completion of the testing procedures (unless stated otherwise in the Services). Client shall furnish or cause to be furnished to Consultant all documents and information known or available to Client that relate to the identity, location, quantity, nature, or characteristic of any hazardous waste, toxic, radioactive, or contaminated materials ("Affected Materials") at or near the site, and shall immediately transmit new, updated, or revised information as it becomes available. Client agrees that Consultant is not responsible for the disposition of Affected Materials unless specifically provided in the Services, and that Client is responsible for directing such disposition. In no event shall Consultant be required to sign a hazardous waste manifest or take title to any Affected Materials. Client shall have the obligation to make all spill or release notifications to appropriate governmental agencies. The Client agrees that Consultant neither created nor contributed to the creation or existence of any Affected Materials conditions at the site and Consultant shall not be responsible for any claims, losses, or damages allegedly arising out of Consultant's performance of Services hereunder, or for any claims against Consultant as a generator, disposer, or arranger of Affected Materials under federal, state, or local law or ordinance.
- 15. Ownership of Documents.** Work product, such as reports, logs, data, notes, or calculations, prepared by Consultant shall remain Consultant's property. Proprietary concepts, systems, and ideas developed during performance of the Services shall remain the sole property of Consultant. Files shall be maintained in general accordance with Consultant's document retention policies and practices.
- 16. Utilities.** Unless otherwise stated in the Proposal, Client shall provide the location and/or arrange for the marking of private utilities and subterranean structures. Consultant shall take reasonable precautions to avoid damage or injury to subterranean structures or utilities. Consultant shall not be responsible for damage to subterranean structures or utilities that are not called to Consultant's attention, are not correctly marked, including by a utility locate service, or are incorrectly shown on the plans furnished to Consultant.
- 17. Site Access and Safety.** Client shall secure all necessary site related approvals, permits, licenses, and consents necessary to commence and complete the Services and will execute any necessary site access agreement. Consultant will be responsible for supervision and site safety measures for its own employees, but shall not be responsible for the supervision or health and safety precautions for any third parties, including Client's contractors, subcontractors, or other parties present at the site. In addition, Consultant retains the right to stop work without penalty at any time Consultant believes it is in the best interests of Consultant's employees or subcontractors to do so in order to reduce the risk of exposure to unsafe site conditions. Client agrees it will respond quickly to all requests for information made by Consultant related to Consultant's pre-task planning and risk assessment processes.

Consultant: **Terracon Consultants, Inc.**

By: Albert Ayenu-Prah, Jr. Date: **12/6/2024**

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Client: **City of West Monroe LA**

By: _____ Date: _____

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Exhibit A – Project Understanding

Our Scope of Services is based on our understanding of the project as described by Lazenby & Associates, Inc. We have not recently visited the project site but are generally familiar with the segment proposed for improvement.

Planned Construction

Item	Description
Information Provided	An email request for proposal was provided by Joshua D Hays, P.E., M.S.C.E. with Lazenby & Associates , Inc. on November 27, 2024. The request included an aerial view of the project segment and a brief description of the proposed improvements.
Project Description	The project includes rehabilitation of approximately 1,750 linear feet of 24-foot wide, 2-lane roadway with flexible pavement surfacing. The project is jointly funded by the LA State Capital Outlay and the City of West Monroe.
Proposed Rehabilitation	Mill, patch, and overlay pavement rehabilitation is expected.
Design Traffic	It is expected the Civil Engineering Design Professional will provide design traffic loading for Terracon’s pavement thickness design. Design period for an overlay rehab is typically 10 years.

Site Location and Anticipated Conditions

Item	Description
Parcel Information	The project is located on Cotton Street from Bridge Street to Wood Street in West Monroe, Louisiana. The approximate geophysical coordinates of the mid-point of the proposed segment to be improved are Latitude/Longitude: 32.502296° North, 92.125733 West (See Exhibit D)
Existing Improvements	The existing street appears to be a 2-lane collector street with concrete curb and gutter and asphalt pavement surface about 24 feet wide.
Existing Topography	Based on GoogleEarth aerial imagery, the segment proposed for improvement is relatively flat. Ground surface elevations vary



	from about 77 feet at the intersection of Bridge Street to about 78 feet at the intersection with Wood Street.
Site Access	We expect the proposed pavement boring sites to be readily accessible to our crew with truck mounted drilling equipment with adequate traffic control measures in place.
Expected Subsurface Conditions	Our experience near the vicinity of the proposed development and review of geologic maps indicates subsurface conditions consist of sandy clays and clayey sands of the Pleistocene Lower Lapine alloformation (PII)

Exhibit B - Scope of Services

Our proposed Scope of Services consists of field exploration, laboratory testing, and engineering/project delivery. These services are described in the following sections.

Field Exploration

Based on our experience with similar projects in the vicinity of the project site, we propose the following field exploration program:

Number of Locations	Type of Exploration	Planned Termination Depth (feet) ¹	Planned Location
4	Soil Borings	≈5	Approximately 520 feet apart, alternating travel lane direction

1. Although not anticipated based on the geology in the vicinity of the project site, test locations would be terminated at shallower depths if refusal is encountered.
2. The planned exploration locations are shown on the attached **Anticipated Exploration Plan**.

Permitting: Given the proximity of the subject site to the existing Ouachita River West Levee protection system, a permit, or a Letter of No Objection (LONO), may need to be secured from the Tensas Basin Levee District. Terracon will apply for this permit prior to any field operations; however, it should be understood that obtaining this permit may take several weeks, and our ability to perform any field operations is contingent on this permitting process. In addition, the permit may restrict operations depending on the river levels.

Boring Layout and Elevations: We will use aerial site maps and our handheld GPS equipment to locate borings with an estimated horizontal accuracy of +/-10 feet. Field measurements from existing site features may be utilized. If available, approximate elevations will be obtained by interpolation from a site specific, surveyed topographic map. We can alternatively coordinate with your Project Surveyor to include locations and surface elevations in project information, if requested. If not available, the ground surface elevations are estimated from Google Earth imagery and the accuracy of the ground surface at each point is probably about 2 feet.

Subsurface Exploration Procedures: We expect to advance the soil borings with a truck-mounted coring rig using a core barrel and a hand auger for soil sampling. The existing pavement layers and base is cored with a diamond tip core barrel to measure the thickness of the existing roadway surface and base. Disturbed soil samples are collected

during the exploration using a 4-inch diameter hand auger that is manually twisted into the soil and then retrieved in increments of approximately 4 to 6 inches. A soil sample from each soil strata is collected. The soil content from the auger is visually classified, labeled and placed in a sealed container to minimize moisture loss during transportation to the laboratory. During hand auguring the subgrade is tested with portable dynamic cone penetrometer (DCP). DCP testing will be performed on the subgrade underlying the existing base layer to a depth of approximately 3 feet below the existing base layer to estimate insitu CBR value(s). In addition, we will observe and record groundwater levels during drilling and sampling, if encountered.

Our exploration team will prepare field boring logs as part of standard drilling operations including sampling depths, penetration distances, and other relevant sampling information. Field logs include visual classifications of materials observed during drilling and our interpretation of subsurface conditions between samples. Final boring logs, prepared from field logs, represent the Geotechnical Engineer's interpretation, and include modifications based on observations and laboratory tests.

Property Disturbance: We will backfill borings with auger cuttings upon completion regulations. Pavements will be patched with cold-mix asphalt . Our services do not include repair of the site beyond backfilling our boreholes and patching existing pavements. Excess auger cuttings will be dispersed in off pavement in the general vicinity of the boreholes. Because backfill material often settles below the surface after a period, we recommend boreholes to be periodically checked and backfilled, if necessary.

Safety

Terracon is not aware of environmental concerns at this project site that would create health or safety hazards associated with our exploration program; thus, our Scope considers standard OSHA Level D Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) appropriate. Our Scope of Services does not include environmental site assessment services, but identification of unusual or unnatural materials observed while drilling will be noted on our logs.

Exploration efforts require borings (and possibly excavations) into the subsurface, therefore Terracon will comply with local regulations to request a utility location service through Louisiana One Call. We will consult with the landowner/client regarding potential utilities or other unmarked underground hazards. Based upon the results of this consultation, we will consider the need for alternative subsurface exploration methods as the safety of our field crew is a priority.

Private utilities should be marked by the owner/client prior to commencement of field exploration. Terracon will not be responsible for damage to private utilities not disclosed to us.

Terracon proposes to subcontract with a private utility locating service to scan the immediate area, typically 10x10 feet, around our boring locations. Fees associated with this service are included in our Scope of Services.

The detection of underground utilities is dependent upon the composition and construction of the utility line; some utilities are comprised of non-electrically conductive materials and may not be readily detected. The use of a private utility locate service would not relieve the landowner/client of their responsibilities in identifying private underground utilities.

Site Access: Terracon must be granted access to the site by the property owner. Without information to the contrary, we consider acceptance of this proposal as authorization to access the property for conducting field exploration in accordance with the Scope of Services. Our proposed fees do not include time to negotiate and coordinate access with landowners or tenants. Terracon will conduct field services during normal business days (Monday through Friday between 6:00am and 7:00pm). If our exploration must take place over the weekend or at night, please contact us so we can adjust our schedule and fee.

Traffic Control: For the work scope of this proposal, we have budgeted for subcontracting traffic control services (signage and flagman) during our drilling activities, which is anticipated to take one day. This proposal assumes that one traffic lane can be closed temporarily within a hundred feet (+/-) of our drill rig during our drilling activities. Fees associated with this service are included in our Scope of Services.

Laboratory Testing

The project engineer will review field data and assign laboratory tests to understand the engineering properties of various soil strata. Exact types and number of tests cannot be defined until completion of fieldwork, but we anticipate the following laboratory testing may be performed:

- Water content
- Atterberg limits
- Grain size analysis

Our laboratory testing program often includes examination of soil samples by an engineer. Based on the results of our field and laboratory programs, we will describe and classify soil samples in accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS).

Engineering and Project Delivery

The results of our field and laboratory programs will be evaluated, and a geotechnical engineering report will be prepared under the supervision of a licensed professional engineer. The geotechnical engineering report will provide the following:

- Boring logs with field and laboratory data
- Stratification based on visual soil classification
- Groundwater levels observed during and after the completion of drilling
- Site Location and Exploration Plans
- Subsurface exploration procedures
- Description of subsurface conditions
- Earthwork recommendations including site/subgrade preparation
- Recommended pavement design parameters

In addition to an emailed report, your project will also be delivered using our **Client Portal**. Upon initiation, we provide you and your design team the necessary link and password to access the website (if not previously registered). Each project includes a calendar to track the schedule, an interactive site map, a listing of team members, access to the project documents as they are uploaded to the site, and a collaboration portal. We welcome the opportunity to have project kickoff conversations with the team to discuss key elements of the project and demonstrate features of the portal. The typical delivery process includes the following:

- Project Planning – Proposal information, schedule, and anticipated exploration plan
- Site Characterization – Findings of the site exploration and laboratory results
- Geotechnical Engineering Report

When services are complete, we upload a printable version of our completed Geotechnical Engineering report, including the professional engineer's seal and signature, which documents our services. Previous submittals, collaboration, and the report are maintained in our system. This allows future reference and integration into subsequent aspects of our services as the project goes through final design and construction.

Additional Services

In addition to the services noted above, the following are often associated with geotechnical engineering services. Fees for services noted above do not include the following:

Observation and Testing of Pertinent Construction Materials: Development of our geotechnical engineering recommendations and report relies on an interpretation of soil conditions. Our assessment is based on widely spaced exploration locations and the assumption that construction methods will be performed in a manner sufficient to meet our expectations and consistent with recommendations made at the time the geotechnical engineering report is issued. We should be retained to conduct construction observations, and perform/document associated materials testing, for pavement construction. These services allow a more comprehensive understanding of subsurface conditions and necessary documentation of construction to confirm and/or modify (when necessary) the assumptions and recommendations made by our engineers.



Exhibit C - Compensation and Project Schedule

Compensation

Based upon our understanding of the site, the project as summarized in Exhibit A, and our planned Scope of Services outlined in Exhibit B, our base fee is shown in the following table:

Task	Lump Sum Fee ²
Subsurface Exploration ¹ , Laboratory Testing, Geotechnical Consulting and Reporting	\$7,935
Subcontract Traffic Control Services (estimate)	\$3,825
Total Estimated Budget	\$11,760

- The lump sum fee considers one drill rig mobilization and no unexpected onsite delays from client/landowner. If additional mobilizations are required, an additional fee of \$1,500 per crew would be invoiced. A standby rate of \$450 per crew hour would be invoiced for unexpected delays.
- Proposed fees noted above are effective for 90 days from the date of the proposal.

Additional services not included in the above base fee include the following:

Task	Unit Fee	Initial for Authorization
Private Utility Locate Service (estimate)	\$ 1,500	

Unless instructed otherwise, we will submit our invoice(s) to the address shown at the beginning of this proposal. If conditions are encountered that require Scope of Services revisions and/or result in higher fees, we will contact you for approval, prior to initiating services. A supplemental proposal stating the modified Scope of Services as well as its effect on our fee will be prepared. We will not proceed without your authorization.



Project Schedule

We developed a schedule to complete the Scope of Services based upon our existing availability and understanding of your project schedule. However, our schedule does not account for delays in field exploration beyond our control, such as weather conditions, delays resulting from utility clearance, permit delays, or lack of permission to access the boring locations. In the event the schedule provided is inconsistent with your needs, please contact us so we may consider alternatives.

Delivery on Client Portal	Schedule from notice to proceed (NTP) ^{1, 2, 3}
Project planning and scheduling	2 weeks
Complete Field Exploration	3 weeks
Site Characterization	4 weeks
Geotechnical Engineering Report	5 weeks
<div><div>1.</div>Upon receipt of your notice to proceed we will activate the schedule component on Client Portal with specific anticipated dates for the delivery points noted above as well as other pertinent events.</div> <div><div>2.</div>We will maintain an activities calendar on Client Portal. The schedule will be updated to maintain a current awareness of our plans for delivery.</div> <div><div>3.</div>From receipt of permit from Tensas Levee and/or USACE.</div>	

Exhibit D – Site Location

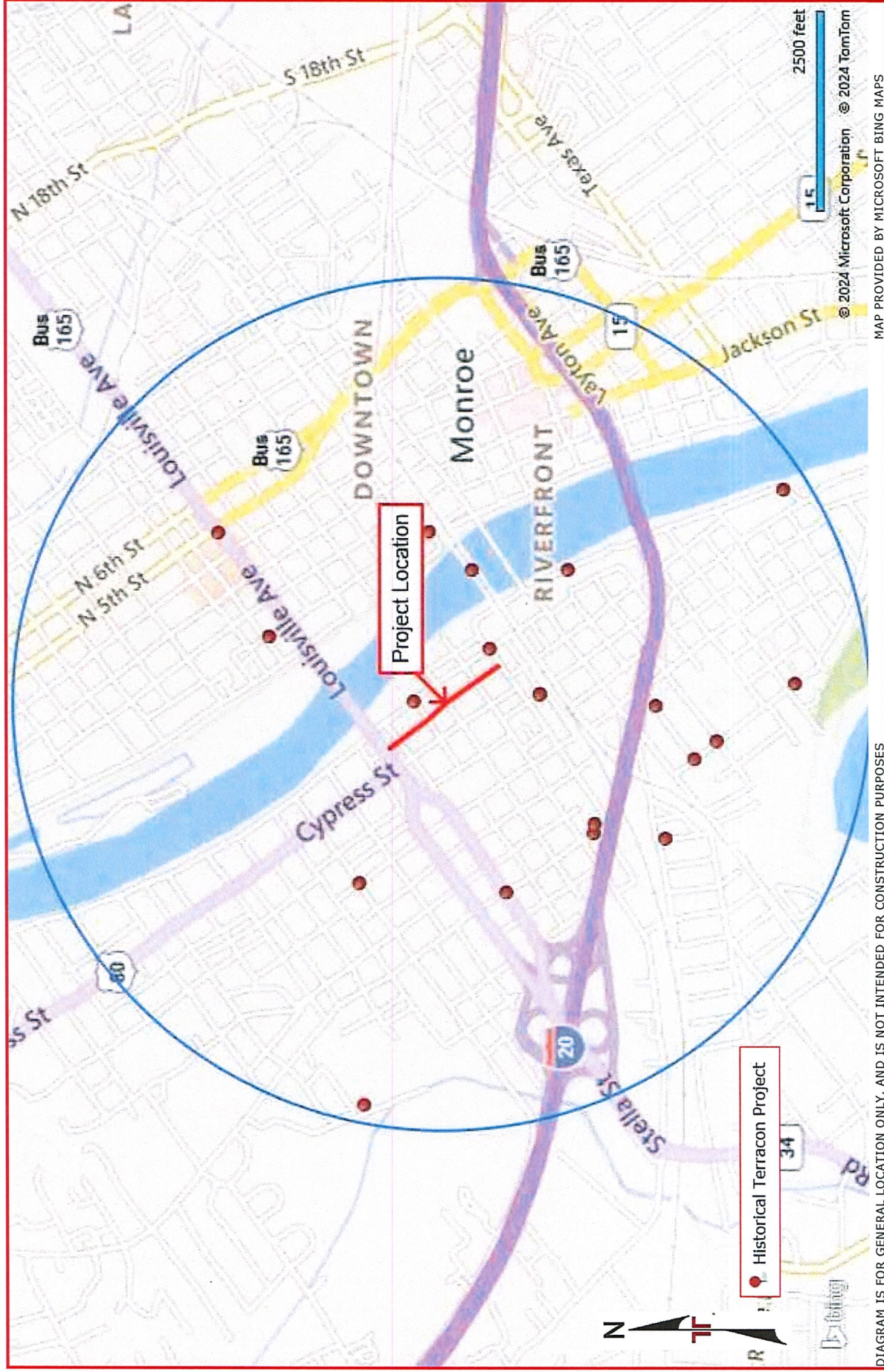


Exhibit E – Anticipated Exploration Plan (Landscape)

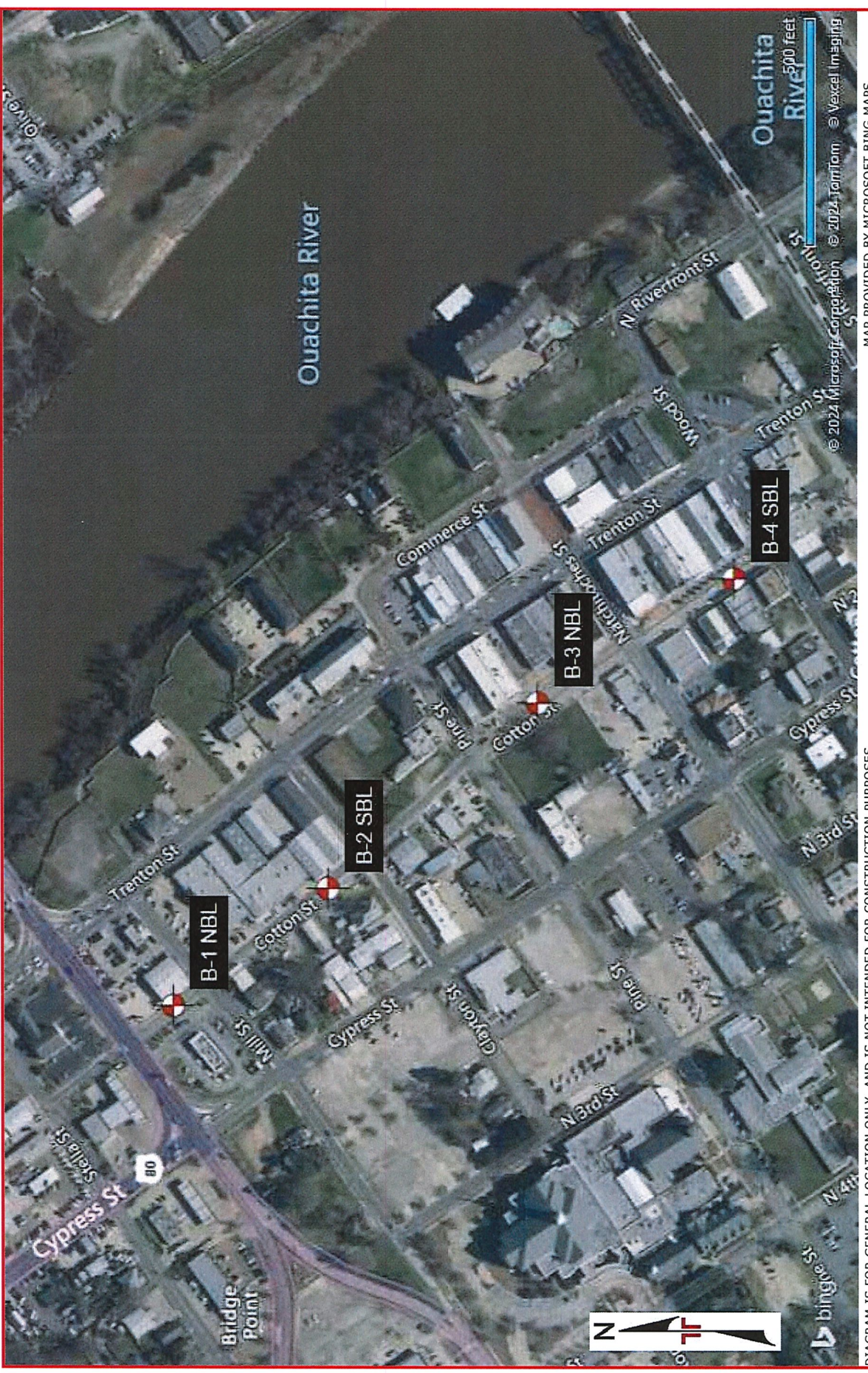


DIAGRAM IS FOR GENERAL LOCATION ONLY, AND IS NOT INTENDED FOR CONSTRUCTION PURPOSES

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