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## *Engineering Structures In Expansive Soils Ceprofs*

Foundation Engineering for Expansive Soils John Wiley & Sons

The purpose of this project is two-fold: (1) to assemble information and data useful during the preliminary design phase of structure built on expansive soil; and (2) to organize and structure the information into a framework (pattern language) to focus the designer's attention on the applicable design information and data at the proper point in the design process. Development of the pattern language for this purpose produced 15 basic relationships (patterns) specifically related to the solution of design problems associated with construction on expansive soils. The basic patterns were organized

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into a (logic diagram-type) cascade to provide designers with a system which displays the interconnection among the patterns and enables them to preserve a view of the entire design process. For use in the preliminary design of structure on expansive soils, the pattern language design method is very instructive. It can be used to apprise and educate designers about the problems associated with designing buildings in expansive soils areas.

This volume includes a collection of technical papers on an important topic in geotechnical engineering; the behavior and treatment of expansive soils. The research studies include investigations into novel stabilization techniques for expansive soils using different admixtures or mechanical consolidation techniques, as well as new experimental approaches to evaluate the behavior of expansive soils. They also include an evaluation of wetting boundary

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conditions on the volume change of expansive soils, as well as the role of hydrologic boundary conditions in arid climates. The volume is based on the best contributions to the 2nd GeoMEast International Congress and Exhibition on Sustainable Civil Infrastructures, Egypt 2018 – The official international congress of the Soil-Structure Interaction Group in Egypt (SSIGE).

Expansive soils in Eugene, Oregon present a problem to residents, consultants, contractors, and the city government. During the years 1977 to 1979, the nature and extent of the problem was identified, including an outline of the local occurrence of expansive soils and possible engineering solutions to the most often encountered problems. Two surveys were conducted to determine the influence of expansive soils on structures in the Eugene area. A literature review was made on the formation and occurrence of expansive

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clays in Eugene, general clay properties, and specific design methods of treating expansive soil problems. Interviews with city inspectors, soil scientists, engineers, and some non-technical people who have encountered structural damage, served to further outline the major factors. The surveys, literature review, and interviews were related to one another to arrive at specific sites and case histories involving expansive soils. Tests were run on soils from several of these sites to:

- (1) further delineate "expansive clay areas",
- (2) find a simple method of identifying local expansive soils which have caused problems,
- (3) determine the potential for volume change with a change in moisture content, and
- (4) relate potential volume change and structural conditions to damaged buildings.

Conclusions are drawn regarding the occurrence of expansive soils in Eugene and engineering aspects of the problems encountered. Recommendations

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are made involving design procedures and future testing needs for construction on expansive soils in the Eugene area. Finally, a summary is made regarding unique elements of the treatise. Appendices include a summary of a mailed questionnaire, a research document on expansive soil properties, Soil Conservation Service soil series occurring in Eugene and a review of expansive soil test methods in common engineering use.

An Introduction to Field and Laboratory Investigations for Foundations in Expansive Soils

Recent Advancements on Expansive Soils

Principles and Practices

Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the American Society of Civil Engineers

Advances in Unsaturated Soils

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Since the first edition of Foundations on Expansive Soils appeared in 1975, considerable advancements have been made in this field. While most of the research has been concentrated in the area of heave prediction, identification of swelling soil and soil suction, studies on unsaturated soil, finite element analysis and stress modeling have also commanded a great deal of attention. More and more nations are becoming aware of the damage caused by expansive soils and it could be said that more than half the world is affected by swelling soils. As a consulting geotechnical engineer, the author has

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seen little advancement in the practical application of theoretical approaches towards solving engineering problems. Both geotechnical engineers and structural engineers adhere to the initial concept that by isolating water, the problem can be resolved. Unfortunately, more and more structural failure has been reported. This book provides the practicing engineer with a summary of the state-of-the art knowledge of expansive soils and practical solutions based upon the author's experience. Part I discusses theory and practice, and summarizes some of the theoretical physical properties of expansive soils. It

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also discusses various techniques employed to found structures on expansive soils such as drilled pier foundation, mat foundation, moisture control, soil replacement, and chemical stabilization. Part II presents six detailed case studies. A considerable amount of new material has been incorporated into each chapter of this revised edition, particularly on highway pavement and soil suction.

This publication provides introductory technical guidance to civil engineers, geotechnical engineers and construction managers interested in field and laboratory investigations for foundations in



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expansive soils. Here is what is discussed: 1. INTRODUCTION, 2. RECOGNITION OF PROBLEM AREAS, 3. FIELD EXPLORATION, 4. LABORATORY INVESTIGATIONS.

The series comprises selected translations of Russian geotechnical literature, and this is a translation of a 1989 second edition reference. Coverage includes laws governing expansion and contraction of argillaceous soils, principles governing deformation of soil mass and foundations during soil exp

Expansive soils cause damages to civil engineering

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structures in various parts of the world, because they swell when absorb water and shrink when they dry out. Additional stresses applied to the structures due to the swell pressures are important in explaining some of the damages to the structures in expansive soils. Therefore, the prediction of the swell pressures and taking them into consideration in the design of retaining structures is needed. In other words, if these pressures are not included in the design, the stability of the structure will be reduced, potentially to the point of failure. Retaining walls in expansive soils are subjected to uplift forces and friction forces due

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to the swelling of surrounding soil. More importantly, the walls are also subjected to swell pressures tending to cause additional deformations and bending. In this study, the relationship between the index properties and swelling characteristic of expansive soils is examined. The earlier studies showed that an increase in dry density and plasticity index of the soil cause an increase in swell pressure, while a decrease in natural moisture content cause an increase in swell pressure. The process of swelling and shrinking is a cyclic behavior and continues for many years. Thus, when the expansive

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soils are present behind retaining walls, traditional lateral earth pressures cannot be used to estimate total pressures acting on the retaining structure. In this study, a new proposed method developed to predict potential swell pressures and to use in the design of retaining walls. A parametric study performed to study the effect of swell pressures on the design of anchored sheet pile walls constructed in expansive soils. The parametric study results show that, based on the soil properties and wall geometry, the expansive soils can significantly affect the design of retaining structures. More importantly,

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ignoring the effect of expansive soils on retaining walls would result in under design and unsafe structures. In addition, it was comparing between the proposed swell pressure method and the constant swell pressure method, the different between those methods, the previous method (constant swell pressure method) did not consider the changing in plasticity index and the moisture content. On the other hand, the proposed method takes in the account the changing in each of plasticity index and the moisture content that play important roles in the swell pressure.

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Proceedings of Workshop on Expansive Clays and Shales in Highway Design and Construction, December 13-15, 1972: Preface

Influence of Expansive Soils on Structures in the Eugene Area

An Introduction to Foundations of Structures

Problems and Practice in Foundation and Pavement Engineering

Geotechnical Engineering and Construction

Foundations on Expansive Soils provides the practicing engineer with a summary of the state-of-the-art of expansive soils and practical solutions based on the author's experience.

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The book is organized into two parts. Part I deals with theory and practice, and summarizes some of the theoretical physical properties of expansive soils. It also discusses various techniques employed to found structures on expansive soils such as drilled pier foundation, mat foundation, moisture control, soil replacement, and chemical stabilization. Topics covered include the origin, mineralogical composition, and the basic structure of expansive soils; the migration of water, swelling potential, and swelling pressure; site investigations and laboratory testing; moisture control; and soil stabilization. Part II presents case studies on the following: distress caused by pier uplift; distress caused by the improper design and construction of a drilled pier foundation system; distress caused by heaving

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of footing pad and floor slab; distress caused by heaving of continuous footings; and distress caused by a rise of ground water.

In recent years building failures and the resulting lawsuits and awards for damages have frequently been in the news. The biggest headlines may have been reserved for structural failures and complete collapses, but we should not forget the less newsworthy failures such as leaky roofs, damp walls, dropped foundations and rotted timber. This book gives practical guidance on the prevention of failure by describing the nature and cause of the most common defects in buildings, and then shows how they should be avoided in design and construction. Introductory technical guidance for civil, structural and



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geotechnical engineers and construction managers interested in design and construction of foundations for buildings and other structures. Here is what is discussed: 1. BACKFILL FOR SUBSURFACE STRUCTURES 2. BEARING CAPACITY ANALYSIS 3. DEEP FOUNDATIONS 4. EARTHWORK FOR FOUNDATIONS 5. ENGINEERING PROPERTIES OF SOIL AND ROCK 6. EXCAVATION FOR STRUCTURES 7. FIELD AND LABORATORY INVESTIGATIONS FOR FOUNDATIONS IN EXPANSIVE SOILS 8. FOUNDATION DESIGN IN COLD REGIONS 9. FOUNDATIONS ON FILL AND BACKFILLING 10. FOUNDATIONS IN AREAS OF SIGNIFICANT FROST PENETRATION.

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Using a design-oriented approach that addresses geotechnical, structural, and construction aspects of foundation engineering, this book explores practical methods of designing structural foundations, while emphasizing and explaining how and why foundations behave the way they do. It explains the theories and experimental data behind the design procedures, and how to apply this information to real-world problems. Covers general principles (performance requirements, soil mechanics, site exploration and characterization); shallow foundations (bearing capacity, settlement, spread footings -- geotechnical design, spread footings -- structural design, mats); deep foundations (axial load capacity -- full-scale load tests, static methods, dynamic methods; lateral load capacity; structural

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design); special topics (foundations on weak and compressible soils, foundation on expansive soils, foundations on collapsible soils); and earth retaining structures (lateral earth pressures, cantilever retaining walls, sheet pile walls, soldier pile walls, internally stabilized earth retaining structures).For geotechnical engineers, soils engineers, structural engineers, and foundation engineers.

Expansive Soils

Soils and Foundations for Architects and Engineers

Foundation Engineering for Expansive Soils

An Analysis of a Full-scale Drilled Pier Foundation in Expansive Soil

Concept Development for Structures on Expansive Soils by

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the Pattern Language Design Methodology

Essential technical information for building on expansive soils--complete with practical, proven design methods.

Expansive Soils examines factors that influence the design of foundations and pavements built on expansive soils, and explores key design procedures and remedial measures that address these factors effectively. Backed by the authors' extensive research and experience --including interviews with practicing engineers working with expansive soils --this authoritative volume is an important reference text for geotechnical and foundation engineers, geologists, construction professionals, and students. Easy to understand and

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apply, Expansive Soils contains: \* Site investigation techniques for identification and classification of expansive soils \* Heave prediction methods using different types of data --with rigorous treatment of soil suction theory and measurement, oedometer tests, and more \* Alternative design procedures for drilled pier and slab-on-grade foundations, highway and airfield pavements \* Treatment and chemical stabilization techniques --including salt treatment; moisture barriers; lime and cement stabilization; and other procedures \* Remedial measures such as drainage control, and removal with replacement and compaction control \* Sample problems illustrating practical applications.

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This text is a compendium of five decades of work relating to science, mechanics and improvement of highly expansive soil systems, application of improved methods to construction of stable civil engineering structures on such deposits. He has used a particulate approach incorporating thermodynamic properties of soil particles as matter to predict the behaviour of saturated expansive soil. The compiling of this massive work has been the effort of the co-authors. The behaviour of expansive soil deposits is found to be unconventional in nature. Prof. Katti has focused on the difference in behaviour by conducting identical studies on conventional soil systems. The book covers topics on

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basic property, swelling and swelling pressure measurements, shear strength behaviour under various conditions including depth effect, lateral earth pressure development under  $K_a$ ,  $K_o$  and  $K_p$  conditions using large-scale devises, discovery of CNS technology and its field application, bearing capacity aspect with and without CNS and MSM, expansive soil improvement techniques, approach to design of rigid and flexible pavements, shallow and raft foundations; optimum length,  $H_d$  of underreamed piles, similarity between suction pressure measure approach and cohesion measure approach, use of conventional and small scale test data and simplified approach to estimate  $h_e$  and  $h$ , standards, and

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mechanics of expansive soil media and case histories. He has brought about limitations of existing conventional theories to deal with expansive soil behaviour and the need for incorporating thermodynamic parameters to predict behaviour of saturated expansive soils. This is a unique treatise covering the entire realm of behaviour of saturated expansive soil and control methods. It can act as a database for future research workers and scholars as a guide for construction for practicing engineers and as a sequentially organised scientifically based book for students.

These proceedings are comprised of technical papers, reports remarks and discussions presented at the



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workshop on "expansive clays and shales in highway design and construction," in Denver, Colorado. The proceedings cover the state of the art on highway design and construction on expansive clays and shales.

A wealth of practical information on designing geomembranes to control expansive soils in a broad range of construction and environmental applications. Written by a leading international expert in the field, this book fully explains when and where geomembranes can be used effectively--and discusses expansive soil conditions and problems as well as control solutions. You will find descriptions of geotechnical membrane placement methods, plus information on costs and

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durability; and worldwide case studies of buildings, highways, roads, airports, canals, pipelines, railroads, and landfills -- all with solutions to expansive soil problems. this book is the first place engineers, architects, and construction professionals should turn for authoritative geomembrane answers.

Recent Advances in Characterization and Treatment Perspectives in Civil Engineering  
Foundation Design

Overview for Design of Foundations on Expansive Soils  
Swell Pessures and Retaining Wall Design in Expansive Soils

**This report contains 27 papers that serve as a**

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**testament to the state-of-the-art of civil engineering at the outset of the 21st century, as well as to commemorate the ASCE's Sesquicentennial. Written by the leading practitioners, educators, and researchers of civil engineering, each of these peer-reviewed papers explores a particular aspect of civil engineering knowledge and practice. Each paper explores the development of a particular civil engineering specialty, including milestones and future barriers, constraints, and opportunities. The papers celebrate the history, heritage, and accomplishments of the profession in all facets**

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**of practice, including construction facilities, special structures, engineering mechanics, surveying and mapping, irrigation and water quality, forensics, computing, materials, geotechnical engineering, hydraulic engineering, and transportation engineering. While each paper is unique, collectively they provide a snapshot of the profession while offering thoughtful predictions of likely developments in the years to come. Together the papers illuminate the mounting complexity facing civil engineering stemming from rapid growth in scientific knowledge, technological development,**

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**and human populations, especially in the last 50 years. An overarching theme is the need for systems-level approaches and consideration from undergraduate education through advanced engineering materials, processes, technologies, and design methods and tools. These papers speak to the need for civil engineers of all specialties to recognize and embrace the growing interconnectedness of the global infrastructure, economy, society, and the need to work for more sustainable, life-cycle-oriented solutions. While embracing the past and the present, the papers collected here clearly have**

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**an eye on the future needs of ASCE and the civil engineering profession.**

**The purpose of the project was to establish reasonable criteria for the successful design of structures in expansive soils areas. Damage to foundations and superstructures caused by expansion of soil is discussed. The importance of preventing infiltration of water into the soil beneath and around foundations is emphasized, and means of preventing this infiltration are discussed. Design of details of the various parts of foundations and superstructures is reviewed, and recommendations are made concerning**

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**practices to be followed. Inspection of the construction to insure compliance with the intent of the design is critical if the structure is to remain sound. (Author).**

**Expansive soil deposits are considered to be problematic to the civil engineering construction. Lateral pressure development of expansive soils based on large scale tests indicate that under KO condition and under KA condition, the lateral pressure exerted by expansive soil is much higher and different from those predicted by normal theories. However, under air dry and compacted states the lateral pressure behaviour**

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**is as per conventional theories. The studies based on tests conducted in large scale devices (2 to 4 m wall height) with cohesive non swelling soil (CNS) backing interposed between wall and expansive soil have revealed that the CNS is helpful in reducing the lateral pressure by more than 90%. Based on displacements in relation to self equilibrating boundary concept, the lateral pressure equations developed for saturated expansive soil with and without CNS backing give lateral pressure distributions close to that observed in the experiments. This publication is intended to serve as a reference book in**



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**universities and guide to practicing geotechnical engineers for design of retaining structures with expansive soil backfill.**

**Expansive Soils provides the reader with easy and specific access to problems associated with expansive soils, characterisitcs and treatment, and evaluation and remediation. Set up with contributions from worlwide expert, this main reference guide is intended for engineers, researchers and senior students working on soil**

**Analysis of Behavior of Expansive Soil**

**Foundations**

**Structures on Expansive Soils**

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### **Building Failures**

### **Proceedings of the 1st GeoMEast International Congress and Exhibition, Egypt 2017 on Sustainable Civil Infrastructures**

### **The Encyclopedia of Field and General Geology**

*Soils and Foundations for Architects and Engineers, Second Edition is a practical guide to the technology of soil mechanics and foundations, and the application of that technology to the design and construction process. This text provides an up-to-date overview of the classification of soils, the design of foundations, and the behavior of soils under load. Particular*

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*emphasis has been given to the subject of piles, piers, and caissons, and to the design and details of construction of basement and retaining walls. New to this edition: Expanded coverage of shear strength of soils, settlement analysis, and expansive soil. Design requirements for prestressed tiebacks, tiedowns, and rock anchors. Expansion of information on pile driving techniques including the use of the Engineering News Formula. A table of British-metric conversions. Many new solved problems and illustrations. In addition to the numerous new improvements, the author also includes: effects of*

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*high water tables on architectural and engineering considerations, design of shear keys used in the transfer of lateral earth pressure from a wall to the supporting element, various drainage alternatives to the structural treatment of adjacent footings, and much more. Soils and Foundations for Architects and Engineers, Second Edition can be used in advanced undergraduate and graduate level courses offered in architectural engineering and civil engineering, as well as be used as a reference book by practicing architects, insurance adjusters and attorneys who litigate or adjudicate claims involving soils and*

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*foundations.*

*p="" This book contains select papers from the International Conference on Geotechnical Engineering Iraq discussing the challenges, opportunities, and problems of application of geotechnical engineering in projects. The contents cover a wide spectrum of themes in geotechnical engineering, including but not limited to sustainability & geotechnical engineering, modeling of foundations & slope stability, seismic analysis & soil mechanics, construction materials, and construction & management of projects. This volume will prove a*

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*valuable resource for practicing engineers and researchers in the field of geotechnical engineering, structural engineering, and construction and management of projects. ^ This title is written for the layperson in clear, easy-to-understand terms to assist homeowners in understanding why some soils and conditions can lead to structural or cosmetic damage to buildings.*

*This publication provides introductory technical guidance for civil engineers, geotechnical engineers and other professional engineers and construction managers interested in field and*

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*laboratory investigation for foundations of buildings and other infrastructure in expansive soil. Here is what is discussed: 1. INTRODUCTION 2. RECOGNITION OF PROBLEM AREAS 3. FIELD EXPLORATION 4. LABORATORY INVESTIGATIONS.*

*Revised and Enlarged Edition*

*So Your Home Is Built on Expansive Soils*

*Advances in Reinforced Soil Structures*

*The Character and Identification of Expansive Soils*

*Civil Engineering Structures on Soft and Sensitive/swelling Soils*

**Your guide to the design and construction**

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**of foundations on expansive soils**  
**Foundation Engineering for Expansive Soils**  
**fills a significant gap in the current**  
**literature by presenting coverage of the**  
**design and construction of foundations for**  
**expansive soils. Written by an expert**  
**author team with nearly 70 years of**  
**combined industry experience, this**  
**important new work is the only modern**  
**guide to the subject, describing proven**  
**methods for identifying and analyzing**  
**expansive soils and developing foundation**  
**designs appropriate for specific**



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to case studies covering the design and construction of foundations on expansive salts from both commercial and residential projects. Provides a succinct introduction to the basics of expansive soils and their threats Includes information on both shallow and deep foundation design Profiles soil remediation techniques, backed-up with numerous case studies Covers the most commonly used laboratory tests and site investigation techniques used for establishing the physical properties of expansive soils If you're a

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practicing civil engineer, geotechnical engineer or contractor, geologist, structural engineer, or an upper-level undergraduate or graduate student of one of these disciplines, *Foundation Engineering for Expansive Soils* is a must-have addition to your library of resources.

Your guide to the design and construction of foundations on expansive soils *Foundation Engineering for Expansive Soils* fills a significant gap in the current literature by presenting coverage of the

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design and construction of foundations for expansive soils. Written by an expert author team with nearly 70 years of combined industry experience, this important new work is the only modern guide to the subject, describing proven methods for identifying and analyzing expansive soils and developing foundation designs appropriate for specific locations. Expansive soils are found worldwide and are the leading cause of damage to structural roads. The primary problem that arises with regard to expansive soils is

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**Field work, supplemented by laboratory studies, is a cornerstone for the geological sciences. This volume provides an introduction to general field work through selected topics that illustrate specific techniques and methodologies. One hundred and twenty-three main entries prepared by leading authorities from around the world deal with aspects of exploration surveys, geotechnical engineering, environmental management. field techniques, mapping, prospecting, and mining. Special efforts were made to**



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include topics that consider aspects of environmental geology in particular those subjects that involve field inspections related to, for example, the placement of artificial fills, sediment control in canals and waterways, the geologic effects of cities, or the importance of expansive soils to environmental management and engineering. In addition, some widely ranging topics dealing with legal affairs, geological methodology, the scope and organization of geology, report writing, and other concepts, such as those related

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to plate tectonics and continental drift, provide a necessary perspective to the arena of field geology.

Proceedings

Behaviour of Saturated Expansive Soil and Control Methods

A Report Completed for the Technical Studies Program of the Federal Housing Administration

Proceedings of the 2nd GeoMEast International Congress and Exhibition on Sustainable Civil Infrastructures, Egypt 2018 – The Official International Congress

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**of the Soil-Structure Interaction Group in Egypt (SSIGE)**

**Geomembranes and the Control of Expansive Soils in Construction**

This publication is an assemblage of selected papers that have been authored or co-authored by D.G. Fredlund. The substance of these papers documents the milestones of both the science of unsaturated soil mechanics and the career of the author during his tenure as a faculty member in the Department of Civil Engineering at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, Canada.

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Soil reinforcement is a very useful technique to construct several cost-effective soil structures in an environmentally friendly and sustainable manner. The most commonly used reinforcement materials are galvanised steel strips, geosynthetics in the form of woven geotextiles, geogrids and geocomposites, and fibres from natural and waste products. In recent years, there have been advances in the area of soil reinforcement, especially in the utilization of the technique in field projects. The researchers have also been working to understand the behaviour of reinforced soil considering the field

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challenges of reinforced soil structures. This edited volume contains contributions on advances in reinforced soil structures, mainly flexible pavements, footings, embankments, stone columns/piles, and slopes, as covered in the subject areas of geosynthetic engineering and fibre-reinforced soil engineering. The first paper by Ioannis N. Markou presents the details of sand-geotextile interaction based on interface tests with conventional and large-scale direct shear equipment. The second paper by Atef Ben Othmen and Mounir Bouassida examines the interface properties of geosynthetic

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reinforcement by carrying out inclined plane tests under low confinement adapted to landfill covers conditions. The third paper by J.N. Jha, S.K. Shukla, A.K. Choudhary, K.S. Gill and B.P. Verma deals with the triaxial compression behaviour of soil reinforced with steel and aluminium solid plates in horizontal layers. The fourth paper by M. Muthukumar and S.K. Shukla describes the swelling and shrinkage behaviour of expansive soil blended with lime and fibres. The fifth paper by S.G. Shah, A.C. Bhogayata and S.K. Shukla provides the test results of shear strength of cohesionless soil

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reinforced with metalized plastic waste. The sixth paper by Bouacha Nadjjet compares the geotextile-reinforced and geogrid-reinforced flexible pavements based on numerical analyses. The seventh paper by S. Kumar, C.H. Solanki, J.B. Patel, P.B. Sudevan and P.M. Chaudhary reports the results of laboratory model tests carried out on a square footing resting on prestressed geotextile reinforced sand. The eighth paper by Sanoop G and Satyajit Patel presents the numerical studies on ground improvement using geosynthetic reinforced sand layer. The ninth paper by ----- discusses the bearing

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capacity prediction of inclined loaded strip footing on reinforced sand by ANN. The tenth paper by Mohamad B.D. Elsayy presents the numerical simulation of an embankment, constructed on reinforced soft soil with conventional stone piles. The eleventh paper by N.O. Sheta and R.P. Frizzi deals with the analysis, design, construction and monitoring of a geosynthetics-reinforced-earth pile-supported embankment serving as an access road. The twelfth paper by S. Banerjee, A. Adhikari, S. Chatterjee and D. Das provides the details of a case study on reinforced slope on soft soil for the approach of a



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major bridge. We do hope the researchers and the engineers may find the contributions in this volume very useful. This volume is part of the proceedings of the 1st GeoMEast International Congress and Exhibition on Sustainable Civil Infrastructures, Egypt 2017.

New theories and testing techniques related with Unsaturated Soil Mechanics have proven to be valuable tools to study a broad spectrum of geo-materials which includes rocks, rock fills, frozen soils and domiciliary solid wastes. These new theories and testing techniques have permitted the

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analysis of several traditional problems from a new perspective (e.g., swelling or collapsible soils and compacted soils or pavements materials), and they have also shown their efficiency to study new energy-related problems like CO<sub>2</sub> sequestration and nuclear waste disposal. Advances in Unsaturated Soils is a collection of papers from the 1st Pan-American Conference on Unsaturated Soils organized in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, in February 2013. The volume includes 76 research papers coming from all over the world, as well as 7 keynote papers by well known international

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researchers. The contributions present a variety of topics including: • Advances in testing techniques • Unsaturated soil behavior • Constitutive modeling and microstructure • Numerical modeling • Geotechnical problems Advances in Unsaturated Soils is expected to become a useful reference to academics and professionals involved in Unsaturated Soil Mechanics. Expansive soils are problematic in nature by virtue of their innate capacity to undergo volume changes when there are changes in moisture regime. These soils swell when they absorb water and shrink when water evaporates

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from them. So, lightly loaded civil engineering structures founded in these soils are subjected to alternate swelling and shrinkage in rainy and summer seasons. As a result, they experience unsightly cracking. The structural members that get affected are flooring, walls, columns, grade beams, etc. The types of damage are disruption or disintegration of flooring, tensile cracks above doors and above and below window sills and cracks in grade beams and columns. Often, the cost of repair of the structure may exceed the cost of the original structure. Many innovative foundation practices have

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been devised to counteract the problems posed by expansive soils. These can be grouped into various classes such as mechanical alterations, physical alterations, chemical alterations and special foundation techniques. This book discusses in detail the problems posed by expansive soils, the identification methods and the remedies in the form of innovative foundations.

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