

SHEET INDEX

PROJECT SUMMARY TABLE

DRAWING DESCRIPTION	SHEET #	NET LOT AREA:	8106 square feet	Change in	Total Proposed
COVER SHEET / SITE PLAN / TREE PROTECTION PLAN	A1	% OF FRONT YARD PAVING	Existing	N/A	54 sq. ft. (3.4%)
PROPOSED FLOOR PLANS, FIRST & SECOND LEVEL	A2	HABITABLE LIVING AREA: (includes habitable basement area)	N/A	1695 square feet	2634 square feet
PROPOSED BASEMENT PLAN & ROOF PLAN	A3	NON-HABITABLE AREA:	364 square feet	1420 square feet	1784 square feet
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EXISTING TREES

TREE #	SIZE	SPECIES	RETAINED?	SETBACKS:	HEIGHT:
①	31.0" DIA.	COASTAL LIVE OAK	YES	Front: 25.0 feet	25.0 feet
②	26.4" DIA.	DEODAR CEDAR	NO	Rear: 68.6 feet	40.9 feet
③	21.9" DIA.	COASTAL LIVE OAK	NO	Right side (1st/ 2nd): 7.17 feet	6.5 feet/ 15.0 feet
				Left side (1st/ 2nd): 13.9 feet	7.75 feet/ 15.1 feet
					6.3 feet/ 13.8 feet
					27.0 feet

TREE PROTECTION RECOMMENDATIONS

(EXCERPTED FROM ARBORIST REPORT--SEE ATTACHED)

PROJECT DATA

PROJECT ADDRESS: 542 Benvenue Ave., Los Altos, CA

ASSESSOR PARCEL NUMBER: 189-52-062

OCCUPANCY & ZONING: SINGLE FAMILY, R1-10

OWNERS: Jill & Will Woodford

BUILDING DESIGNER: Madison Design

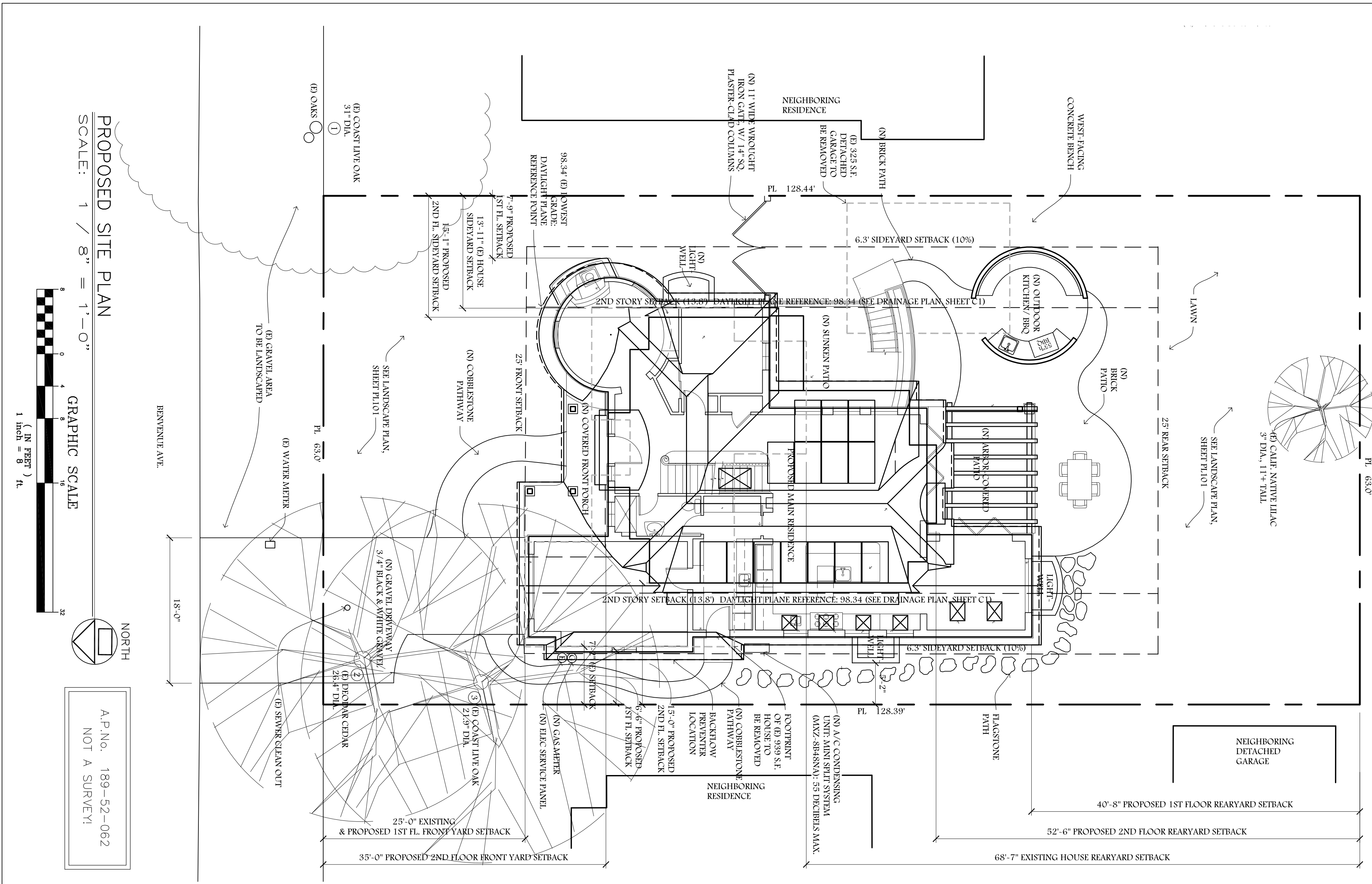
CIVIL ENGINEER/SURVEYOR: DMG Engineering, Inc.

LANDSCAPE DESIGNER: Sierra Watershed Progressive

PROJECT SCOPE: NEW FOUR BEDROOM, THREE BATH HOME, WITH UNCONDITIONED BASEMENT AND ATTACHED ONE-CAR GARAGE. NEW OUTDOOR KITCHEN, HARDSCAPING AND LANDSCAPING.

5.0 Tree Preservation Guidelines:

- 5.1 Fencing and other root zone protection is usually specified as a drip-line installation of 6-foot high chain link fence on galvanized drive posts, plus root zone wood chip mulch. However, due to the inevitable myriad project variables, alternatives are frequently allowed – but require careful strategies arranged with and signed off by the Project Arborist or City Arborist.
- For this project, it is highly likely that all site trees must be removed/replaced, so only adjoining-overhanging trees need protecting and the property line fences would be the appropriate fencing this time.
- Must be in place before demolition or any other project site work.
- Though generally expected to extend to the dripline, here the TPF can be installed as close to that as possible. One 24" to 36"-inch opening or gate should be left for inspection access to each area.
- Fence material is to be 6-foot-high chain link fence supported by 8-foot long, 2-inch diameter galvanized fence posts driven 2-feet into the soil.
- Where no plant material root zone buffer is growing (e.g. ivy), a wood chip mulch is to be spread evenly to a 4-inch depth from the dripline to 6-inches from the base of the trunk. Taper to existing ground level at the base of the trunk with a slope of about 2:1.
- Additional root zone areas requiring protection can be buffered as Project Arborist requires, e.g., if project scope changes. Commonly acceptable buffer materials often include wood chips, crushed rock, plywood, steel trench plates, and/or a combination of such materials. Consult Project Arborist for depth specifications (which vary depending on use of area and/or specific traffic).
- Root zone areas to be protected may be modified by the Municipal Arborist or Project Arborist as plans develop.
- 5.2 Prohibited Acts & Admittances/Requirements
- 5.2.1 No parking or vehicle traffic over any root zones, unless using buffers approved by Project Arborist or City Arborist.
- 5.2.2 Monitor root zone moisture and maintain as per above.
- 5.2.3 Have an ISA Certified Arborist repair any damage promptly.
- 5.2.4 No pouring or storage of fuel, oil, chemicals, or hazardous materials under any trees' foliage canopies or future plant materials' root zone areas.
- 5.2.5 No grade changes (cuts, fills, etc.) under these foliage crowns without prior Project Arborist approval. For instance, hand excavation and thinner base prep may be required in some root zone areas.
- 5.2.6 Any additional pruning required must be performed under arborist supervision – including root pruning – clean, smooth cuts with no breaking, scraping, shredding, or tearing of wood tissue and/or bark.
- 5.2.7 No storage of construction materials under any foliage canopy without prior Project Arborist or City Arborist approval.
- 5.2.8 No trenching within the critical root zone area. Consult Project Arborist before any trenching or root cutting beneath any trees' foliage canopy. It is best to route all trenching out from under trees' driplines. Often trenches in root zones must be hand excavated to leave roots intact.
- 5.2.9 No clean out of trucks, tools, or other equipment over any essential root zone. Keep this debris outside of any existing or future root zone.
- 5.2.10 No attachment of signs or other construction apparatus to these trees.
- 5.3 Construction-time Maintenance
- 5.3.1 Monitor root zone moisture and maintain as per above (§4.1).
- 5.3.2 Maintain/repair tree protection fences and/or root zone mulch/buffer material.
- 5.3.3 Have a certified arborist promptly repair any damage to trees.
- 5.3.4 Develop the plan for follow-up care so, as the project closes, the care of the trees can be handed over for continuing management by the owner and/or landscape contractor.
- 5.4 Post-Construction Follow-Up
- 5.4.1 Monitor root zone moisture, especially during/drought/dry seasons. [A dry season is any time more than 60 days elapse since significant rainfall (2-inches or less).]
- 5.4.2 Monitor root zone mulch (if used), maintain depth, and scarify (approximately once or twice annually) to break up compaction/matting.
- 5.4.3 Monitor for insect pests and diseases, especially insects with sucking/chewing mouthparts or boring insects (bark beetles).
- 5.4.4 Inspect for structural safety before storm season and after severe weather events.
- 5.4.5 Follow California Oak Foundation guidelines as to not irrigating and/or planting water loving plant material within 10-feet of the trunks of mature trees.



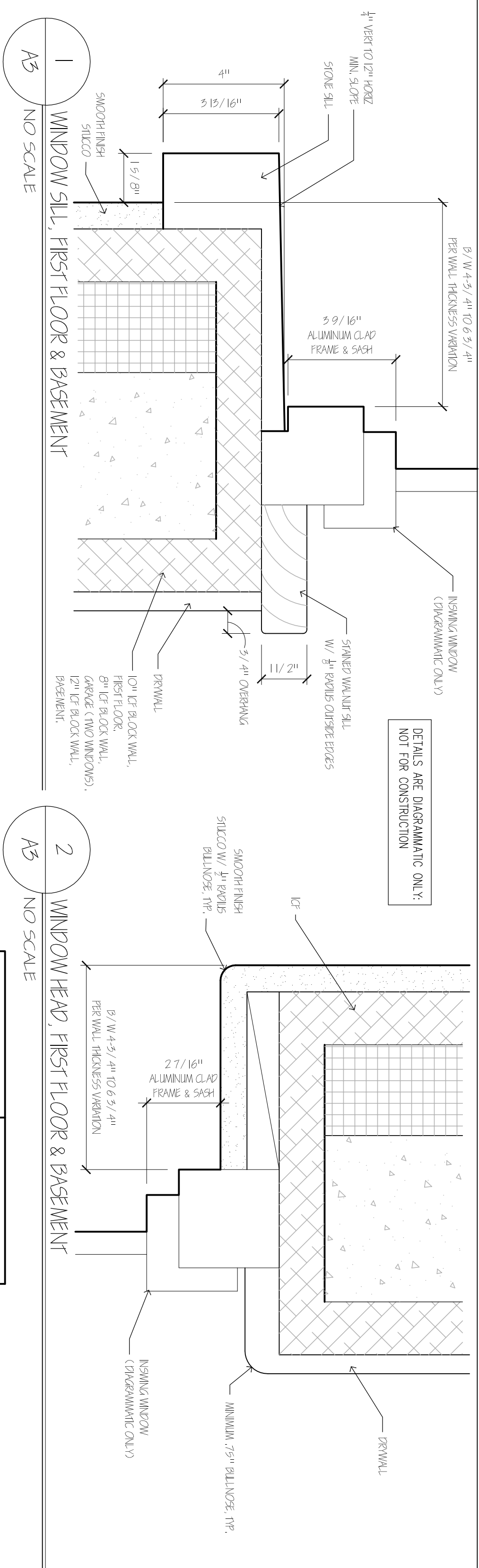
PROPOSED SITE PLAN

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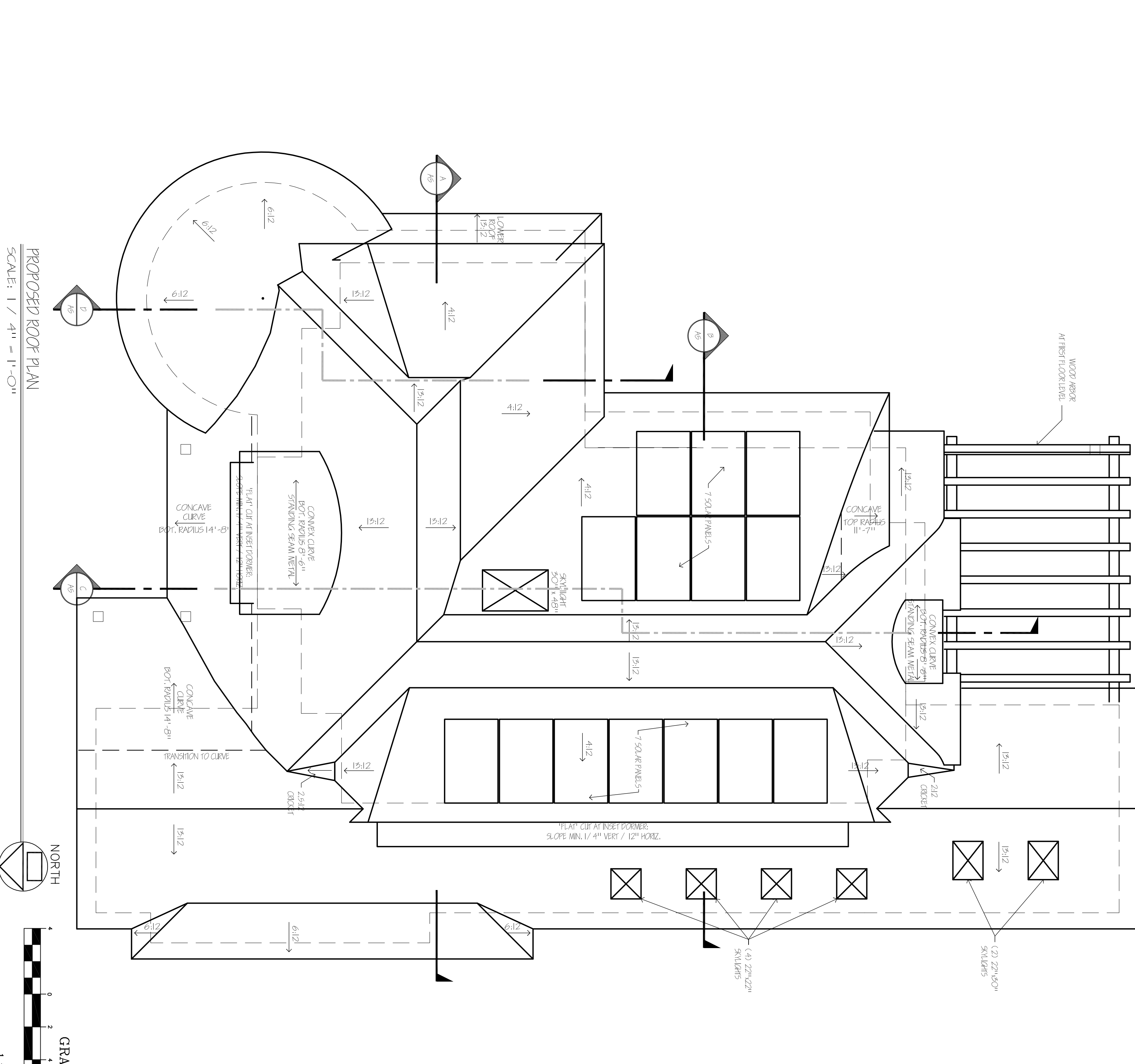
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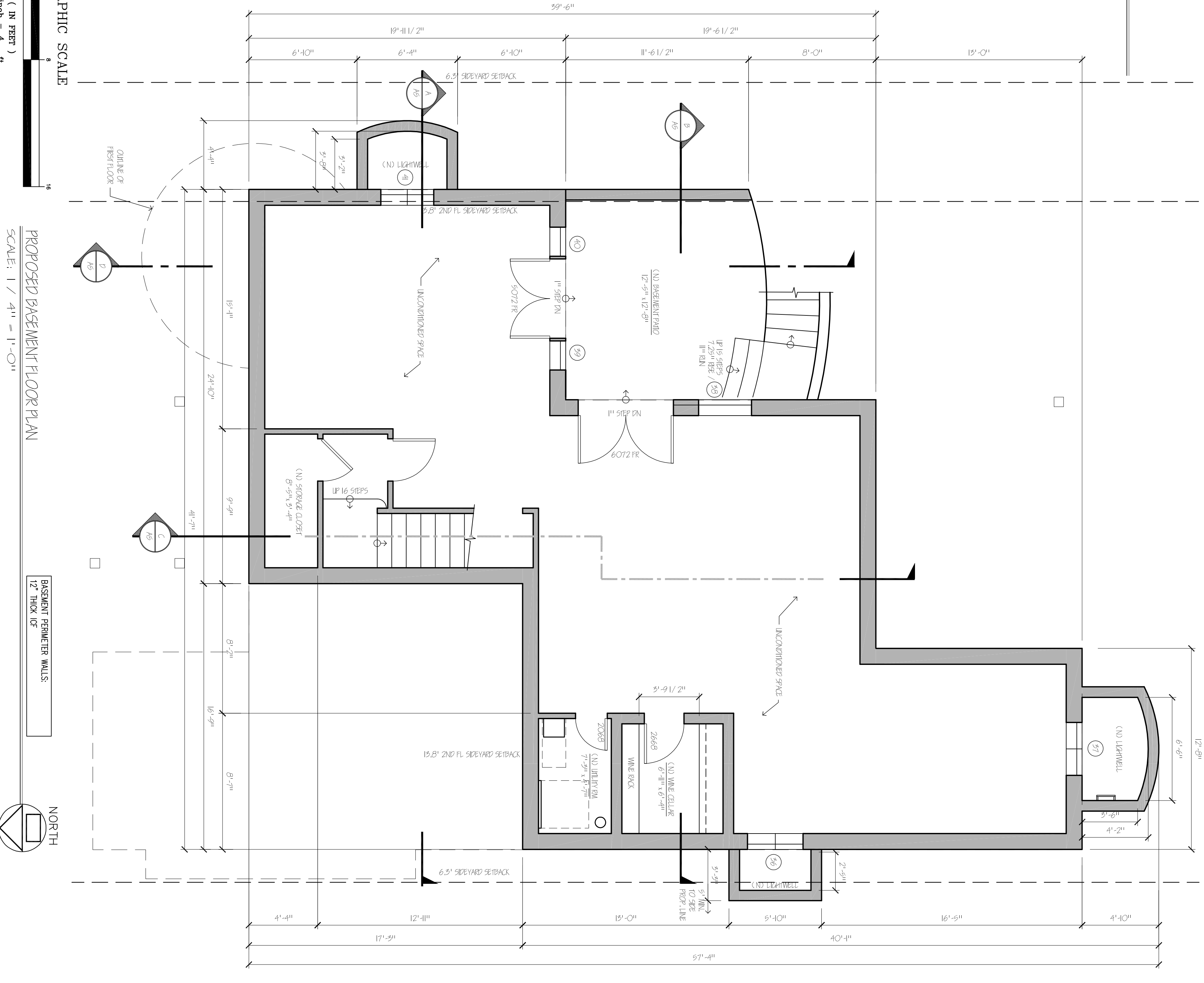




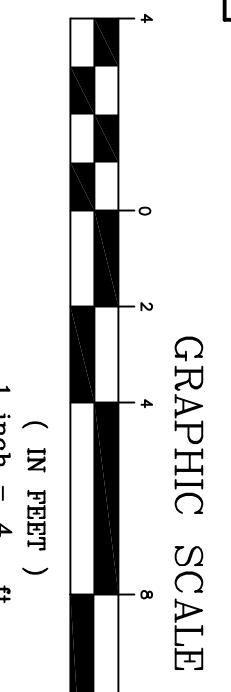
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PROPOSED ROOF PLAN  
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PROPOSED BASEMENT FLOOR PLAN  
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BASEMENT PERIMETER WALLS  
12" THICK UCF

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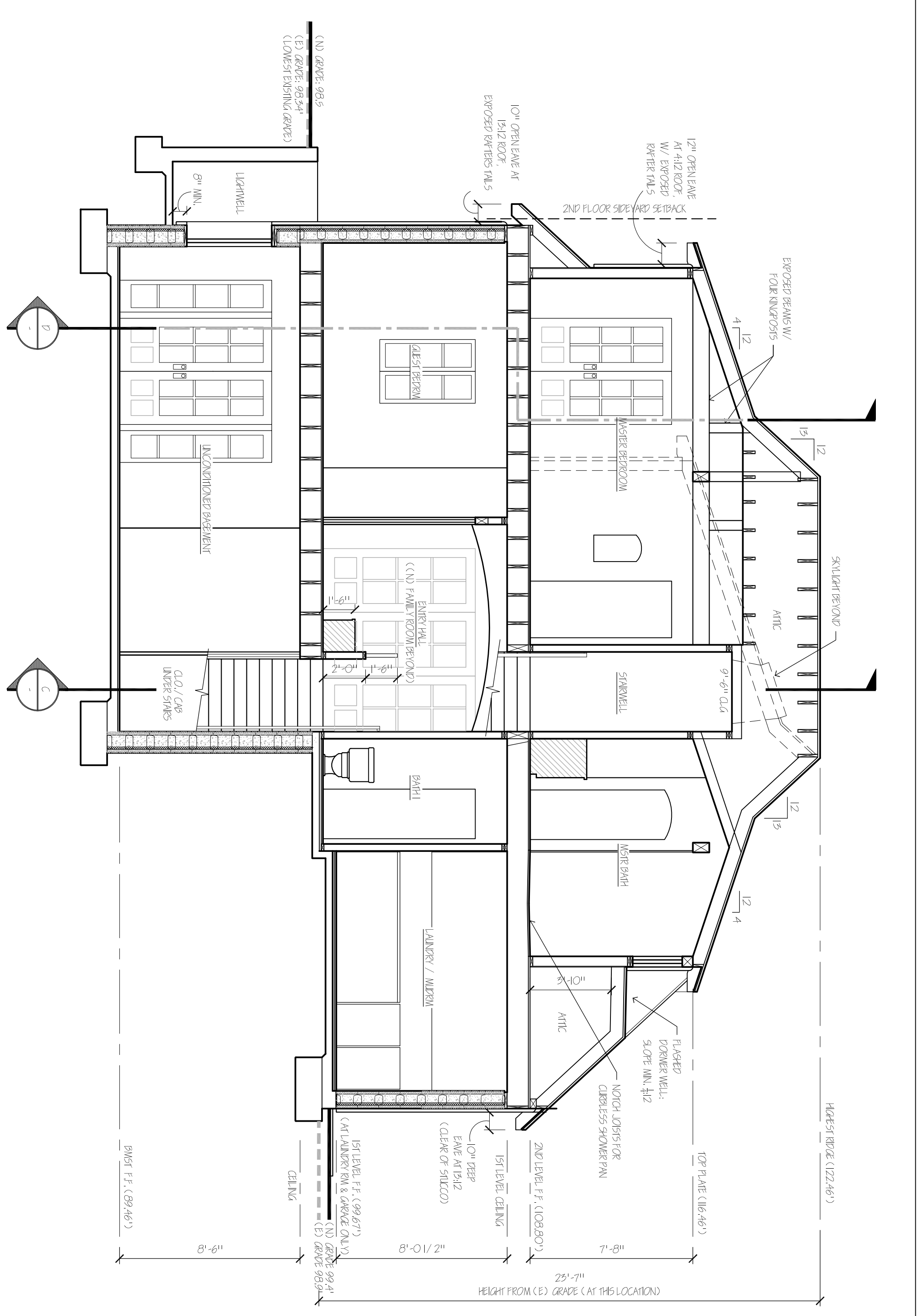
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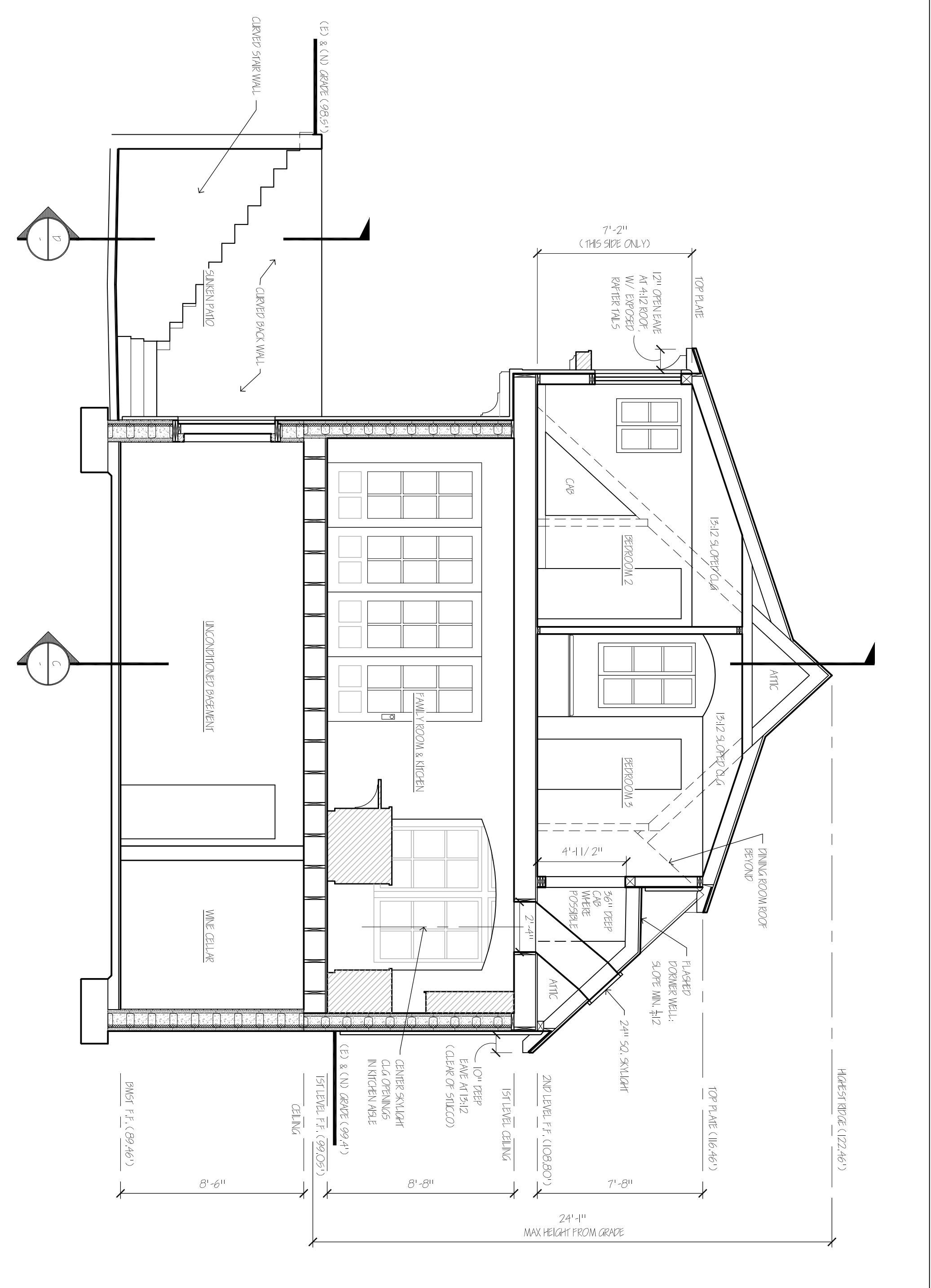
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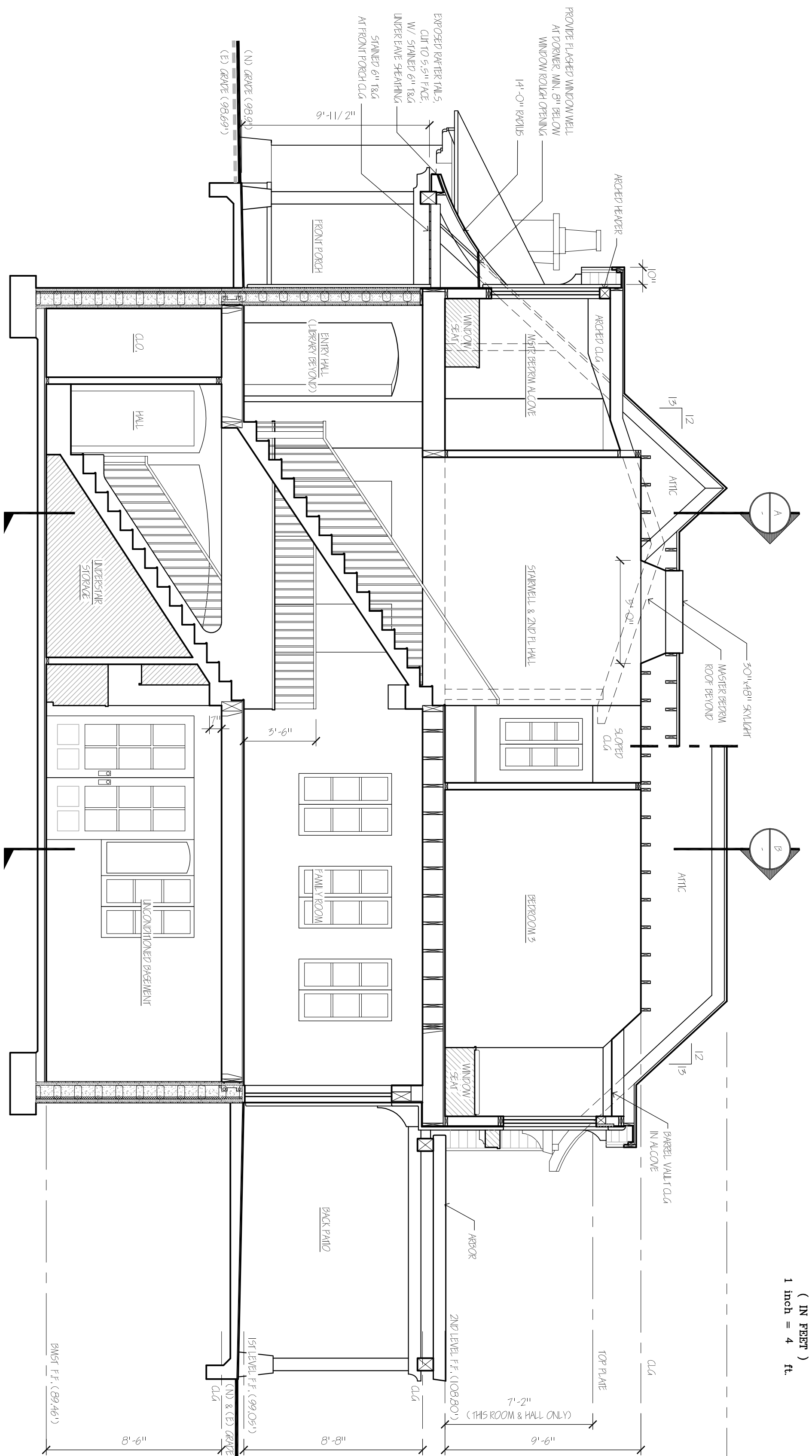
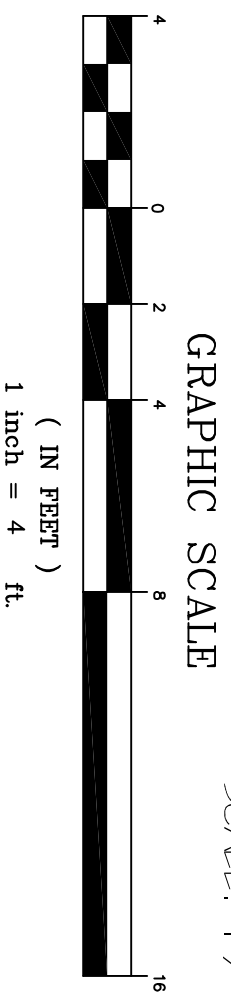




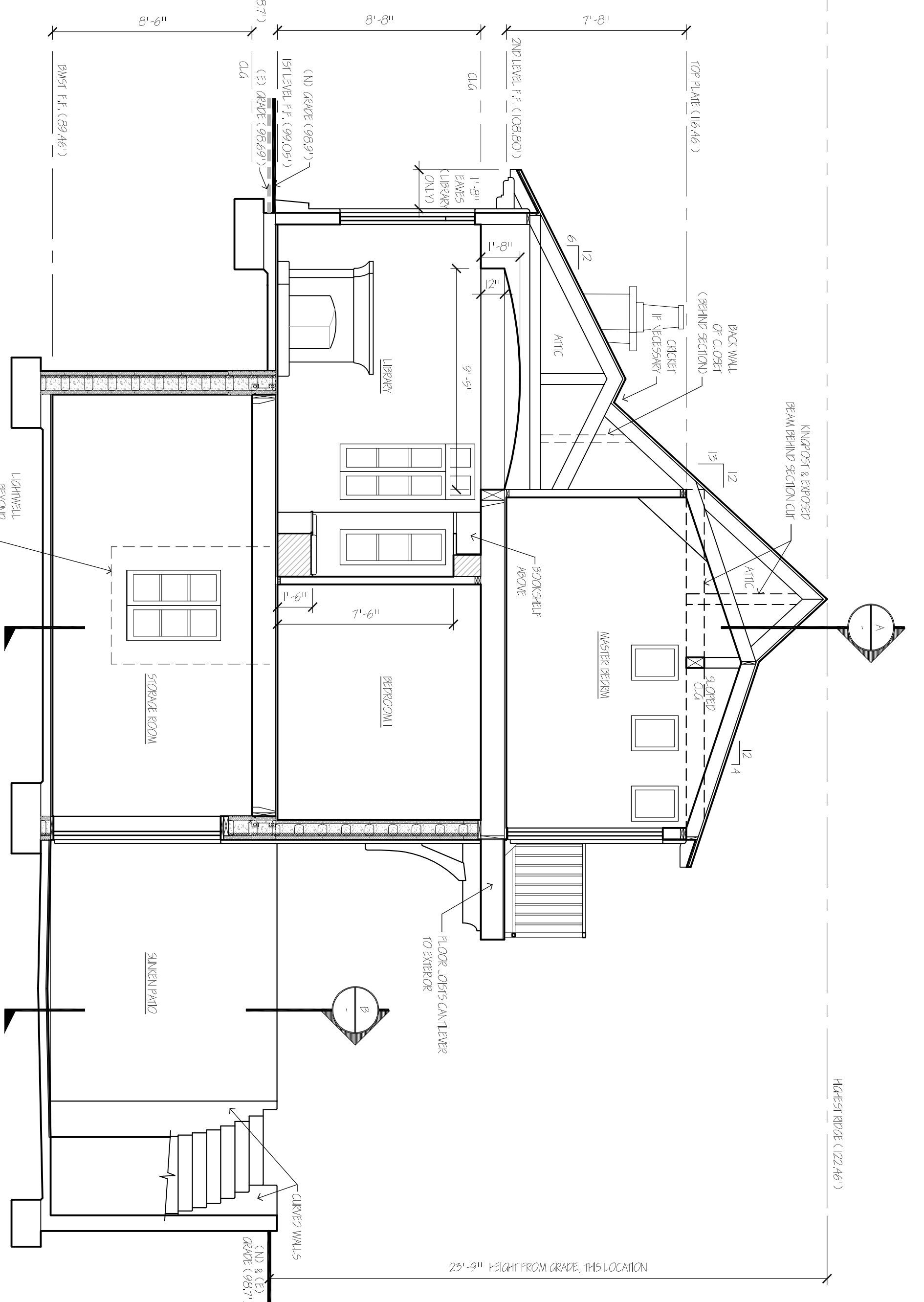
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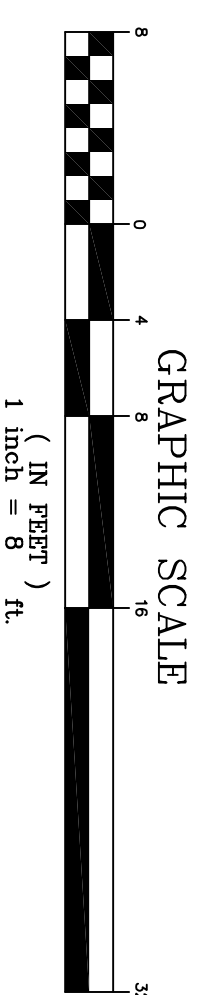
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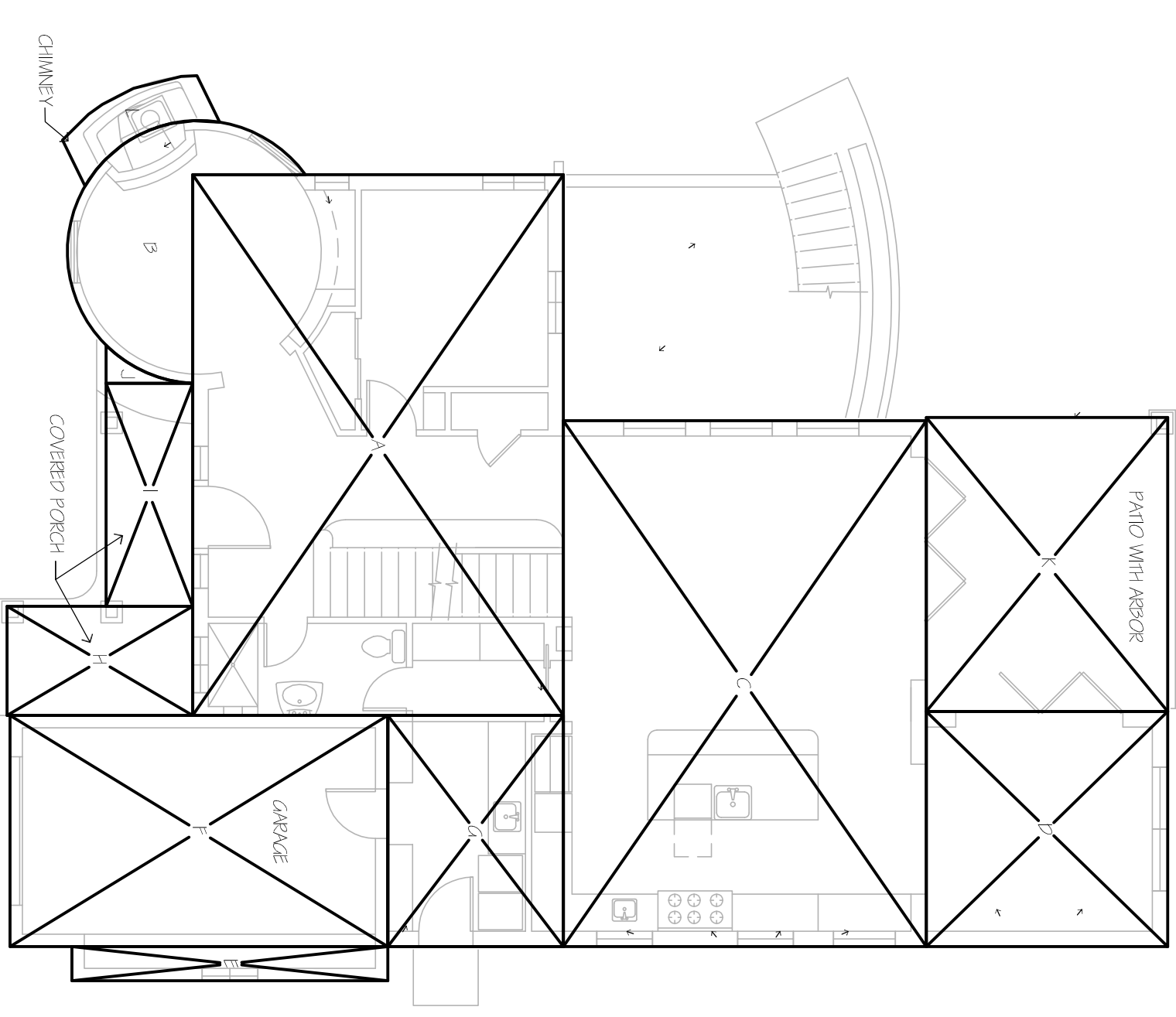
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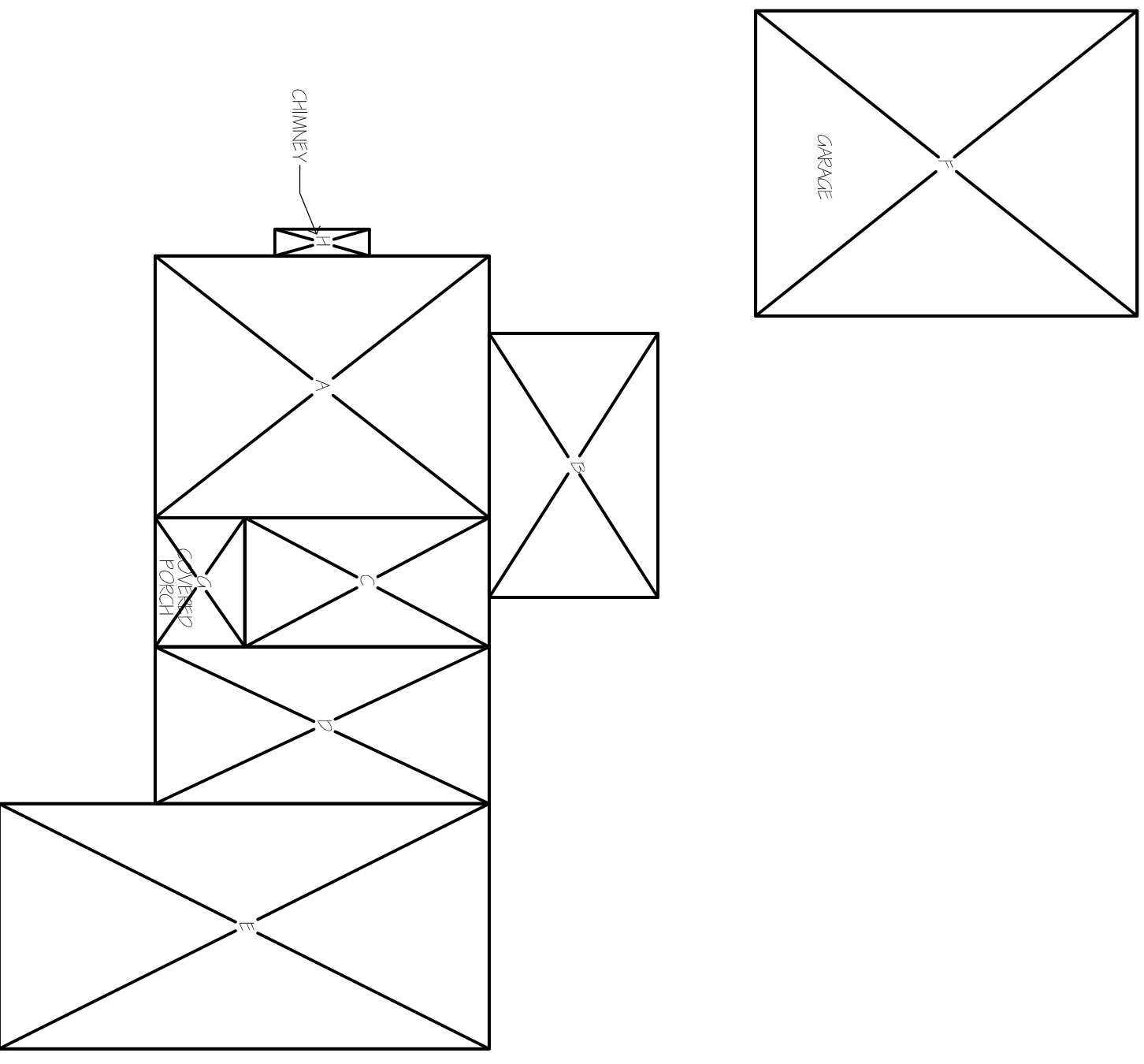


AREA ANALYSIS:	NEW
1st floor conditioned area	1919 s.f.
2nd floor conditioned area	1026 s.f.
Basement conditioned area	89 s.f.
Total habitable area	2634 s.f.
Unconditioned Basement (total basement area 1299 s.f.):	1170 s.f.
Attached garage:	270 s.f.
Covered front porch	118 s.f.
Air conditioned patio above	206 s.f.
Chimney	20 s.f.
Total non-habitable areas	1784 s.f.
Lot Coverage:	1789 s.f.
First floor footprint:	20 s.f.
Chimney:	118 s.f.
Covered front porch:	206 s.f.
Air conditioned patio above	215 s.f.
Total	2815 s.f.
Floor Area:	2815 s.f.
Main residence total (FAR (1789 + 1026)):	2815 s.f.
Exterior structures to be demolished:	
Main house	929 s.f.
Detached garage	375 s.f.
Covered front porch:	32 s.f.
Chimney:	7 s.f.
Total	1303 s.f.



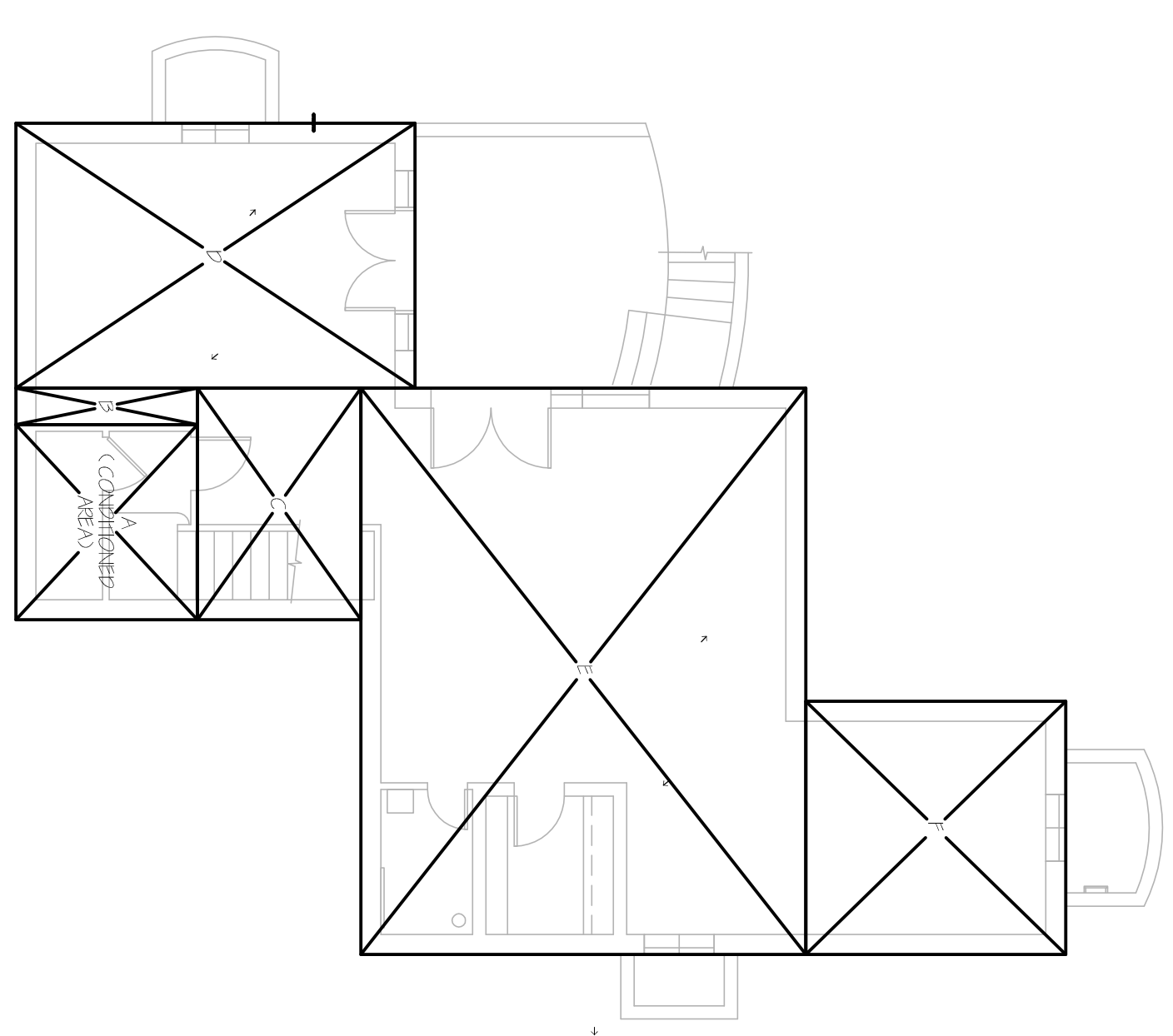
SECTION	DIMENSIONS	AREA
A	29'-1.5" X 19'-11.5"	581
B	14'-2" X 6'-1"	87
C	28'-4" X 19'-6.5"	554
D	12'-8" X 19'-0"	165
E	1'-10" X 17'-0"	31
F	12'-5.5" X 20'-2"	253
G	12'-5.5" X 9'-5.5"	118
TOTAL FLOOR AREA =		1789 sq. ft.
H	5'-10.5" X 10'-0"	59
I	12'-0" X 4'-8"	56
J	2'-11" X 4'-8"	3
K	19'-10" X 19'-0"	206
L	2'-9" X 8'-0"	20
TOTAL COVERAGE =		2155 sq. ft.

PROPOSED FIRST FLOOR AREA BLOCKOUT  
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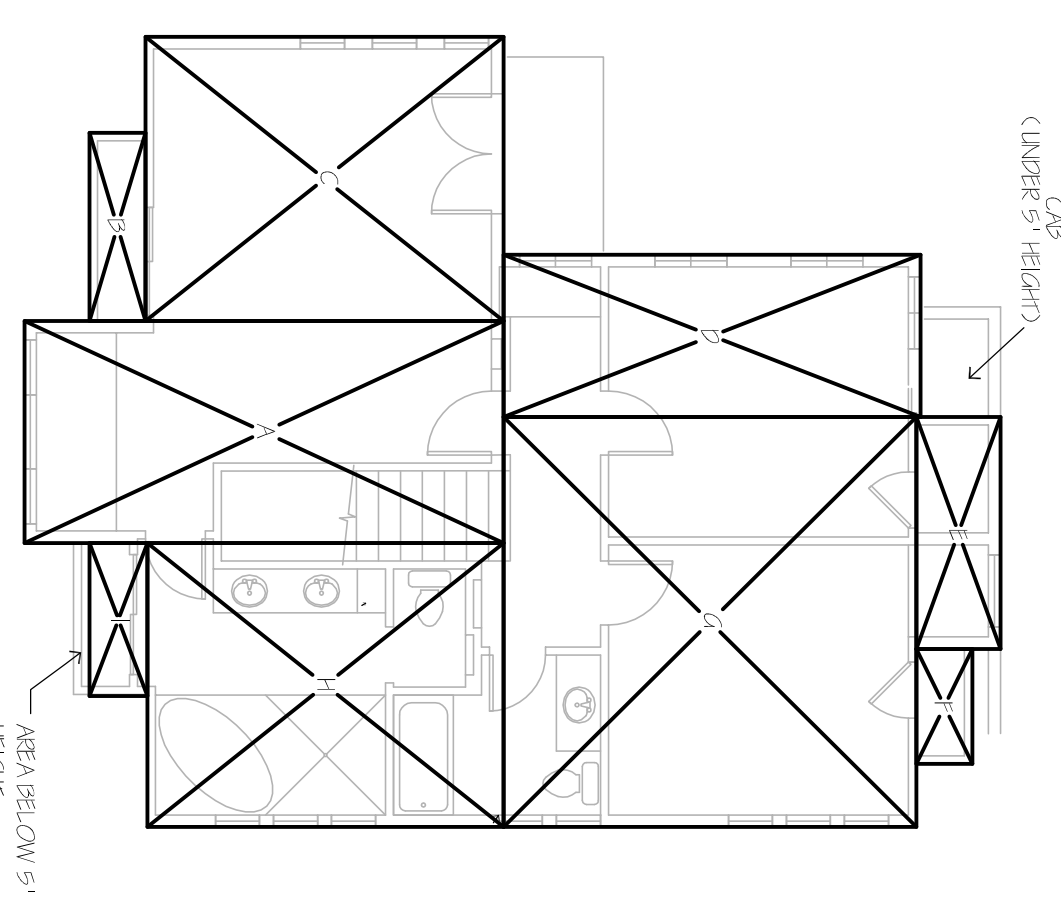
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A	15'-10" X 17'-8"	244
B	15'-11.5" X 8'-11"	124
C	6'-10" X 12'-11"	88
D	8'-5.5" X 17'-6"	147
E	12'-11.5" X 25'-1"	336
F	16'-11.5" X 20'-2"	328
TOTAL FLOOR AREA =		1264 sq. ft.
G	8'-10" X 4'-9"	32
H	1'-5" X 5'-0"	7
TOTAL COVERAGE =		1409 sq. ft.

EXISTING FLOOR AREA BLOCKOUT  
SCALE: 1 / 8" = 1'-0"



SECTION	DIMENSIONS	AREA
A	9'-9" X 9'-1"	89
B	1'-0" X 9'-1"	17
C	11'-7" X 8'-2"	94
D	15'-5" X 19'-11.5"	284
E	28'-4" X 22'-5"	630
F	12'-8" X 19'-0"	169
TOTAL AREA =		1299 sq. ft.

PROPOSED BASEMENT FLOOR AREA BLOCKOUT  
SCALE: 1 / 8" = 1'-0"



SECTION	DIMENSIONS	AREA
A	9'-5" X 19'-11.5"	185
B	7'-10" X 2'-4"	18
C	11'-10" X 14'-11"	176
D	8'-9" X 17'-4.5"	117
E	9'-8" X 9'-6"	34
F	4'-9.5" X 2'-4"	11
G	17'-1" X 17'-2.5"	294
H	11'-10" X 14'-10"	176
I	6'-4.5" X 2'-5"	15
TOTAL FLOOR AREA =		1026 sq. ft.

PROPOSED SECOND FLOOR AREA BLOCKOUT  
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# GRADING/DRAINAGE PLAN

542 BENVENUE AVENUE  
CITY OF LOS ALTOS  
SANTA CLARA COUNTY - CALIFORNIA  
SCALE: 1" = 8' JULY 2013

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## LEGEND:

- AC ASPHALT
  - BC BUILDING CORNER
  - CC CONCRETE
  - DWY DRIVEWAY
  - FC FENCE CORNER
  - FF FINISH FLOOR
  - FH FIRE HYDRANT
  - FNC FENCE
  - G GROUND
  - LG LIP OF GUTTER
  - SSMH SANITARY SEWER MANHOLE
  - TRC TOP OF ROLL CURB
  - WM WATER METER
- X 100.00 EX SPOT ELEVATION  
X 100.00 PR SPOT ELEVATION  
→ DRAINAGE DIRECTION

## OWNER:

WILL AND JILL WOODFORD  
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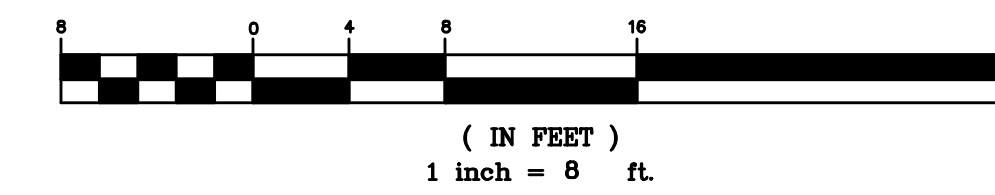
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LOT AREA = 8106± SF

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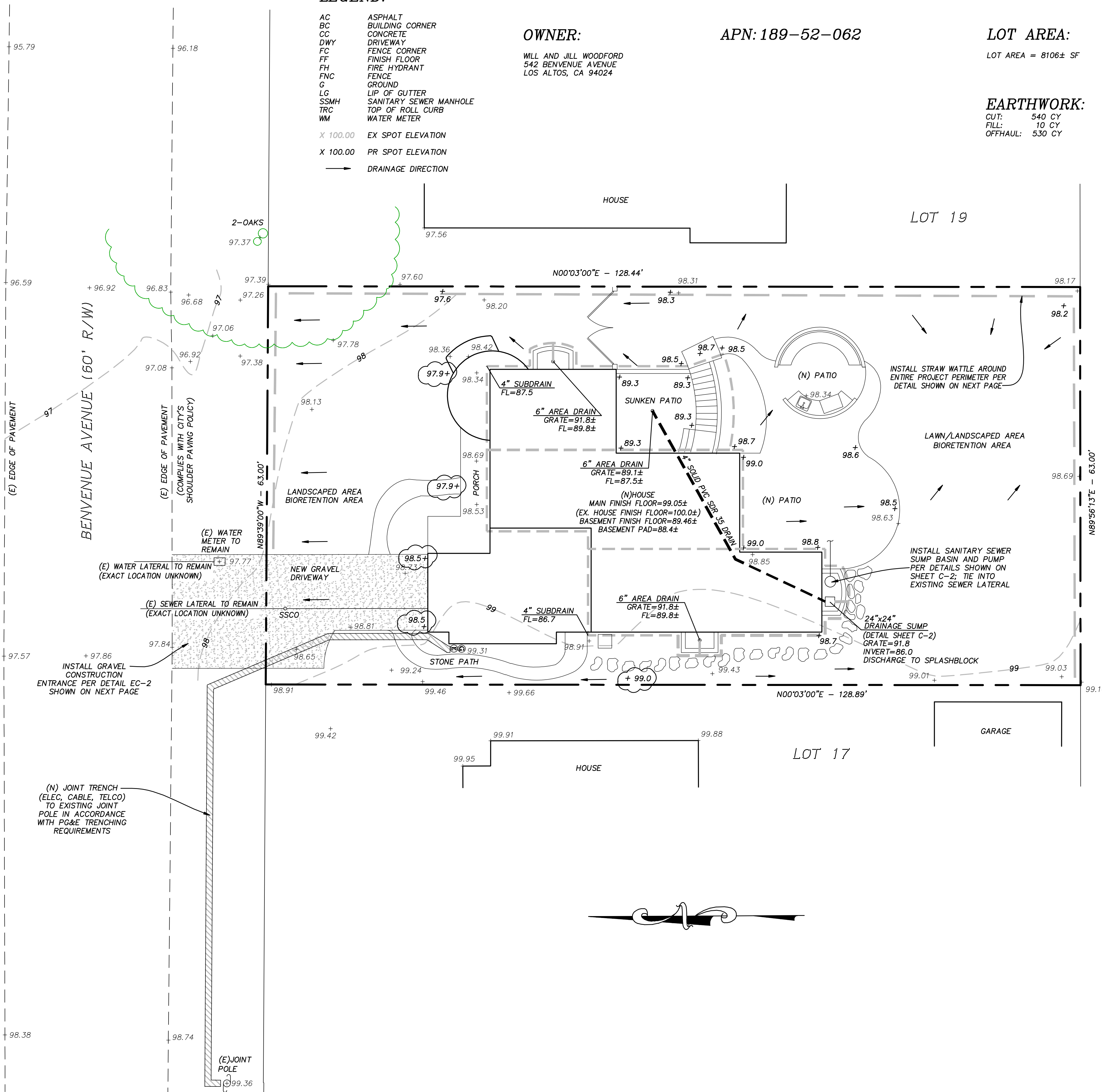
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## NOTES:

- ALL DRAINAGE IS TO BE CONVEYED TO THE STREET SURROUNDING THE PARCEL IN A NON CONCENTRATED SHEET FLOW FORM, USING BIO-FILTRATION WHERE AVAILABLE. IF NECESSARY A FILTRATION TRENCH (DETAIL SHOWN BELOW) CAN BE CONSTRUCTED ALONG THE NORTHERLY PROPERTY LINE OF THE PARCEL.
- PLACE SPLASH BLOCKS (MINIMUM LENGTH 2') AT ALL DOWNSPOUT LOCATIONS AND CONVEY WATER TOWARDS THE STREET AS DESCRIBED IN NOTE 1.
- ALL SOIL EXPOSED DURING GRADING SHALL BE SEEDED WITH GRASS AND/OR PLANTED WITH OTHER VEGETATION AT THE COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT.
- IF ANY SOIL IS TRACKED INTO ANY PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY, IT MUST BE REMOVED BY THE END OF THAT SAME BUSINESS DAY.
- APPROPRIATE MEASURES SHALL BE TAKEN SO THAT THE STORAGE, HANDLING, AND DISPOSAL OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS SHALL NOT COME IN CONTACT WITH STORM WATER.
- IF APPLICABLE, ALL GRADING SHALL BE DONE IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OUTLINED IN THE SOILS REPORT.
- NO GRADING AND/OR TRENCHING SHALL BE DONE WITHIN THE DRIPLINE OF ANY TREE LOCATED WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING THE APPROVAL OF A CERTIFIED ARBORIST.
- WHERE APPLICABLE, ALL DIMENSIONS PROVIDED BY THE ARCHITECT SHALL SUPERSEDE ANY DIMENSIONS SHOWN ON THIS PLAN.
- ALL TREES SHOWN ON THIS PLAN ARE TO REMAIN ACCORDING TO THEIR PRE-DEVELOPMENT CONDITION UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.
- THE STORM RUNOFF GENERATED BY THE NEW DEVELOPMENT SHALL NOT DRAIN ONTO ADJACENT PROPERTIES. THE EXISTING STORM DRAINAGE FROM THE ADJACENT PROPERTIES SHALL NOT BE BLOCKED BY THE NEW DEVELOPMENT.
- THE APPLICANT SHALL REMOVE AND REPLACE ALL CRACKED, DAMAGED, UPLIFTED OR DEPRESSED FRONTAGE IMPROVEMENTS, EXISTING OR DAMAGED BY THE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES, PER CITY STANDARDS ALONG THE ENTIRE PROPERTY FRONTAGE.
- THE APPLICANT/CONTRACTOR SHALL OBTAIN AN ENCROACHMENT PERMIT FROM THE CITY'S ENGINEERING DIVISION PRIOR TO THE START OF ANY WORK WITHIN THE CITY'S RIGHT-OF-WAY OR PUBLIC EASEMENT AREAS. THE APPLICANT SHALL OBTAIN PERMITS FROM THE UTILITY COMPANIES PRIOR TO APPLYING FOR A CITY ENCROACHMENT PERMIT.
- GRADING AND DRAINAGE IN THE REAR YARD OF THE SUBJECT PARCEL IS TO REMAIN ACCORDING TO THE CURRENT CONDITIONS.
- MAINTAIN 2% DOWNWARD SLOPE FOR DRAINAGE PURPOSES FROM BUILDING TO PUBLIC WAY.
- A SUBDRAIN SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED BEHIND THE ENTIRE BASEMENT RETAINING WALL PER THE DETAIL SHOWN ON SHEET C-2. THE SUBDRAIN SHALL BE CONVEYED TO THE SUMP PUMP LOCATED IN THE LIGHTWELL.
- ALL DRAINS IN LIGHTWELLS SHALL HAVE ULTRALIGHT TIDEFLEX CHECK VALVES INSTALLED TO PREVENT BACKDRAINAGE INTO THE LIGHTWELL.
- INSTALL STRAW WATTLE AROUND THE PROJECT PERIMETER PER DETAIL EC-4 SHOWN ON NEXT PAGE.
- INSTALL GRAVEL CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE PER DETAIL EC-2 AS SHOWN ON NEXT PAGE.
- SEE LANDSCAPE PLAN FOR BIO RETENTION AREA AND INFILTRATION BASIN DETAILS AND LOCATIONS.



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2	4/28/14	GRADING REVISIONS	DMG

**GRADING/DRAINAGE PLAN**  
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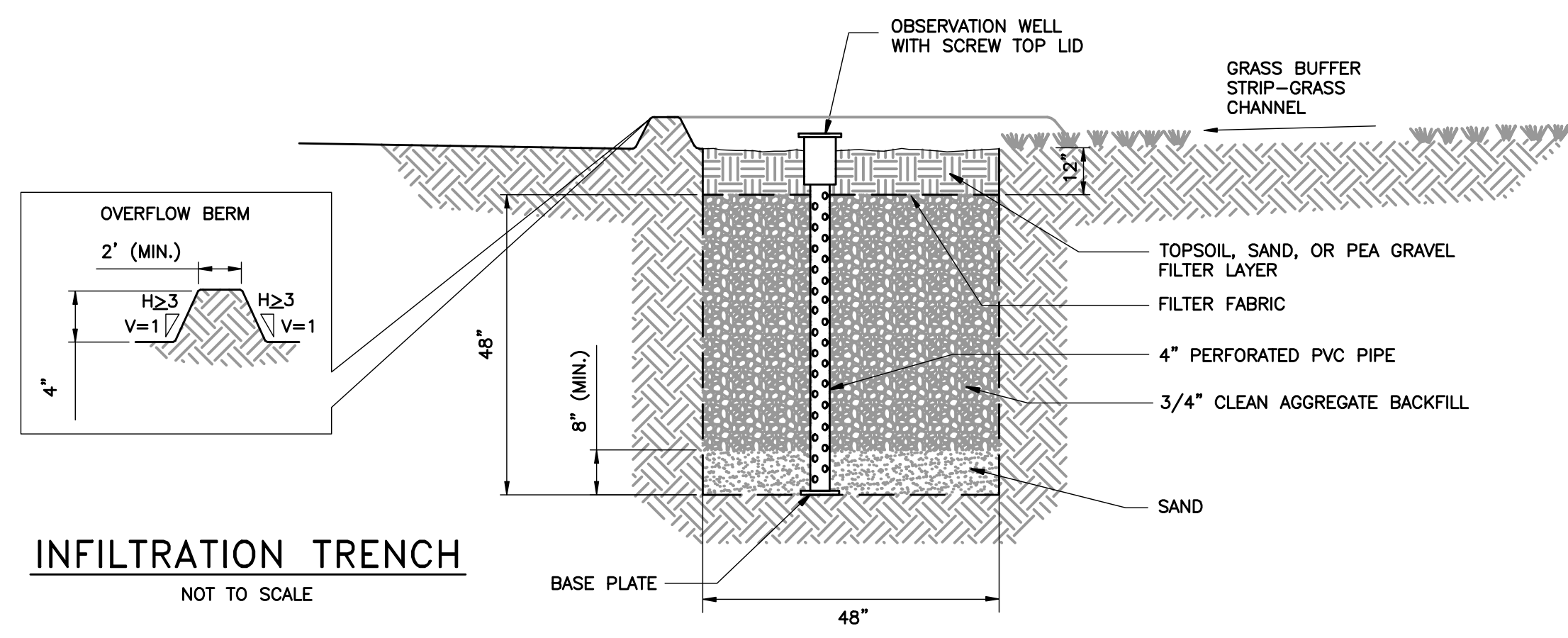
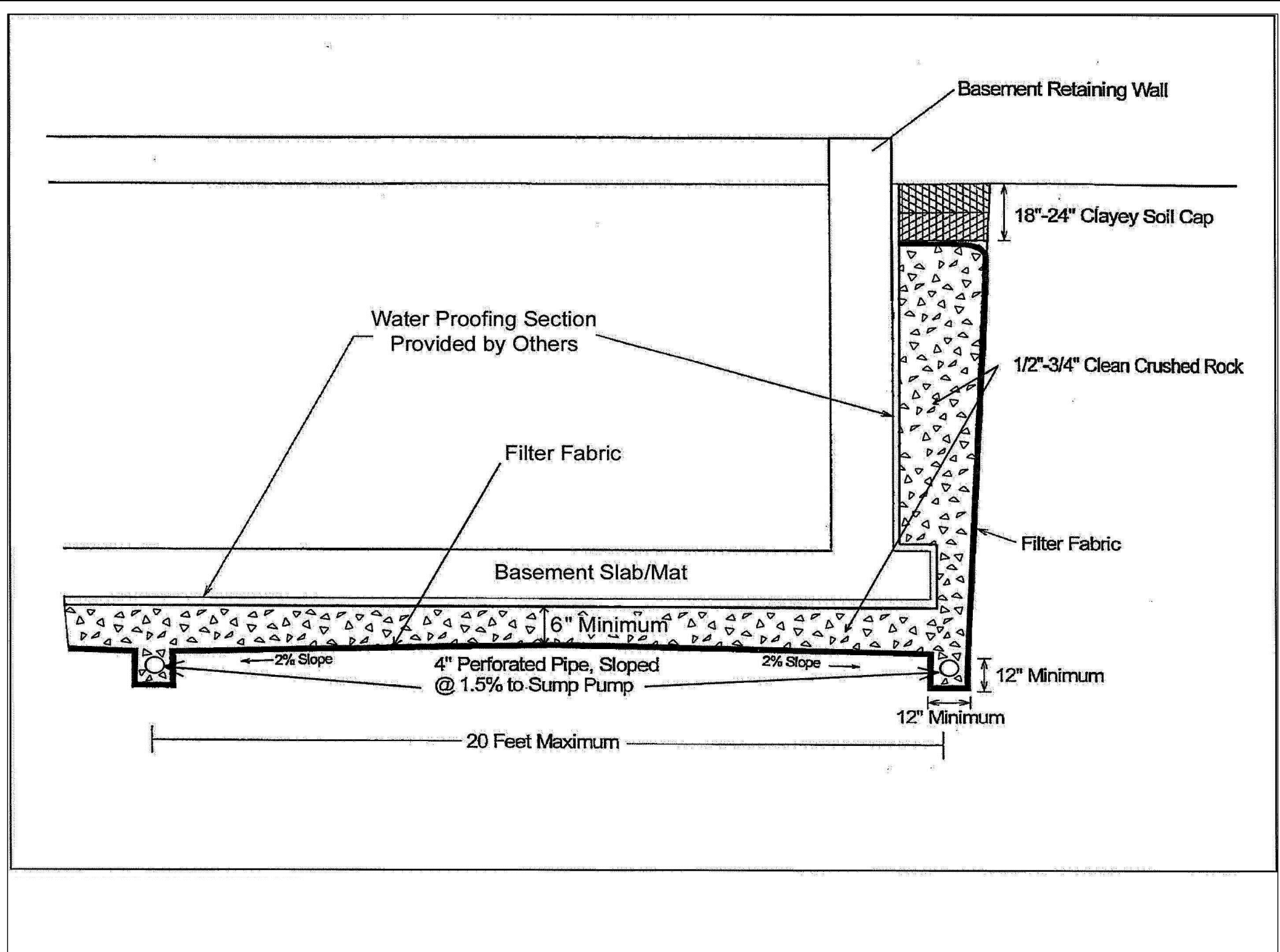
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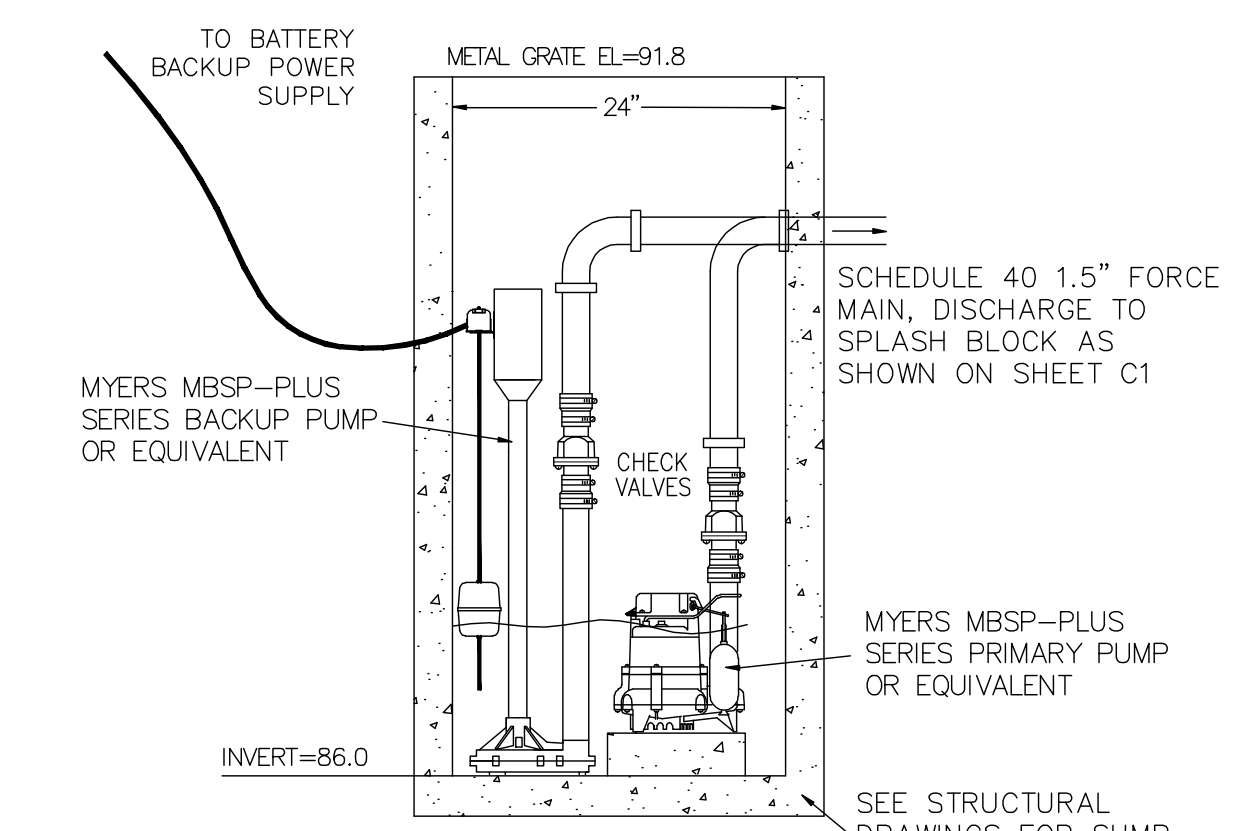
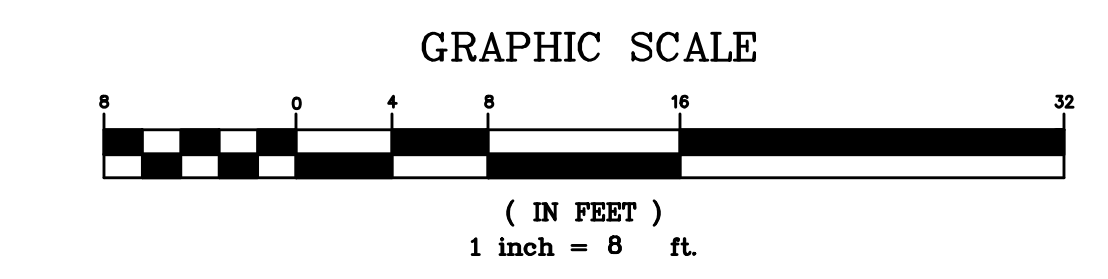
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**INFILTRATION TRENCH**  
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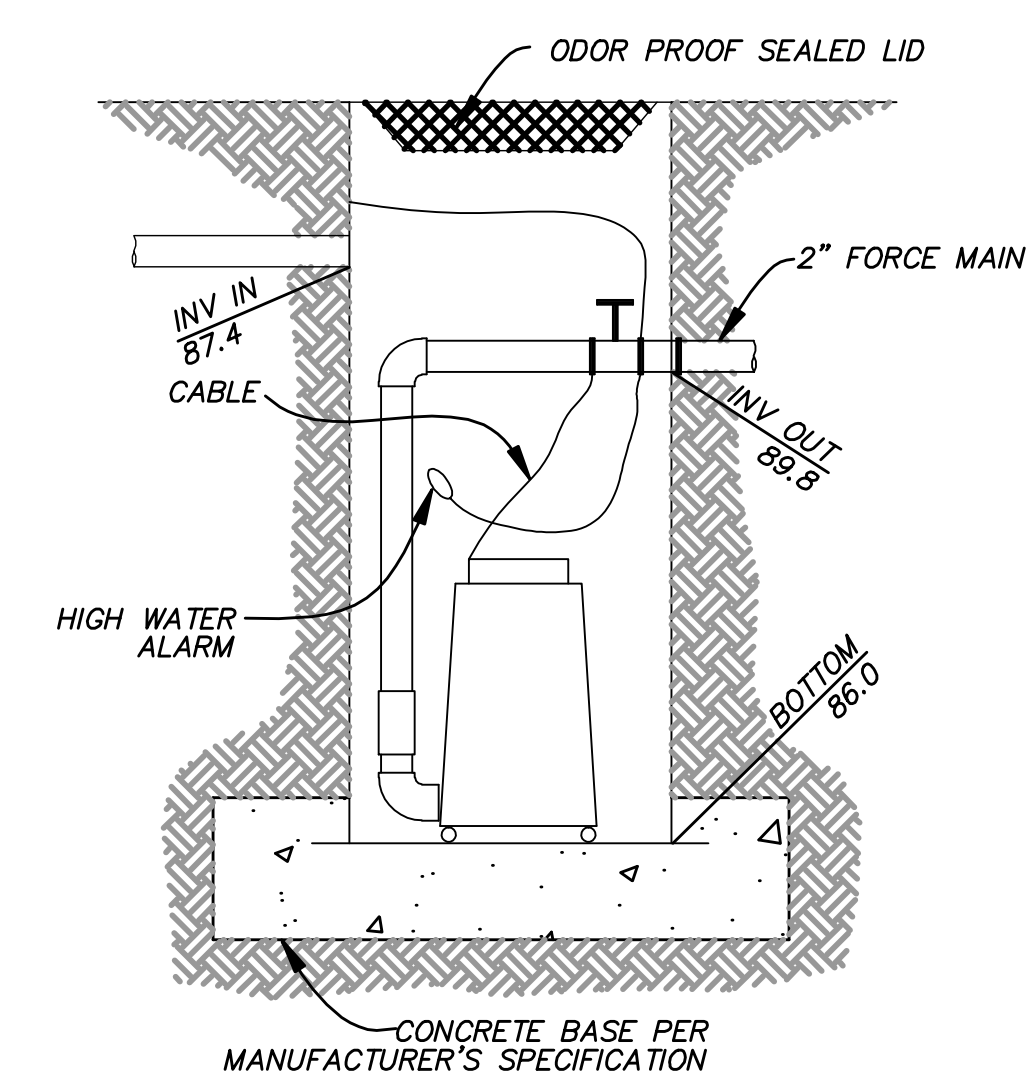
1. INSTALL PUMPS PER MANUFACTURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS.
2. CONTRACTOR SHALL SUPPLY A COMPLETELY SELF CONTAINED MOTOR CONTROL PANEL. THE CONTROL PANEL SHALL PROVIDE SHORT CIRCUIT AND OVERLOAD PROTECTION FOR THE PUMPS.
3. PROVIDE BENTONITE PASTE AT ALL PIPE CONNECTIONS TO PUMP BASIN.
4. SUMP PUMP MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS: CLEAN STORM DRAIN VAULT AND PUMP OF DEBRIS EVERY SIX MONTHS MINIMUM.
5. PROVIDE BACKFLOW PREVENTERS ON ALL GRAVITY PIPE ENTERING THE PUMP BASIN.

**SUMP DETAIL**  
NOT TO SCALE

INSTALL LIBERTY PUMPS PRO 370 SIMPLEX EFFLUENT PUMPING PACKAGE INCLUDING 21" DIA FIBERGLASS PUMP BASIN WITH LIBERTY P372LE41 0.4HP 115V SUMP PUMPS WITH ALARM AND ALARM SWITCH, CHECK VALVE, BALL VALVE, DISCHARGE HOSE, PUMP LIFTOUT CABLE AND ELECTRICAL JUNCTION BOX. CONNECT BASIN PUMP WIRING TO SEPARATE LIBERTY SIMPLEX ELECTRICAL CONTROL PANELS IN NEMA 1 ENCLOSURES

NOTE: PUMPS MAY ALSO BE SET IN PRECAST CONCRETE MANHOLE OR DROP INLET IN LIEU OF FIBERGLASS BASIN. DISCHARGE PIPING OF PUMP MUST BE EQUIPPED WITH A CHECK VALVE, BALL VALVE, TRUE UNION AND LIFTOUT CABLE.

CONTRACTOR SHALL ENSURE THAT SUMP PUMP IS PROPERLY VENTED SUCH THAT ODORS ASSOCIATED WITH SANITARY SEWERS DO NOT ACCUMULATE IN THE LIGHTWELL.



**SEWER PUMP BASIN DETAIL**  
NOT TO SCALE

NOTES:  
1. PROVIDE A FANNED STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE TO ACCOMMODATE THE TURNING RADIUS OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT ON AND OFF THE PUBLIC STREET  
2. INSTALL STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION ENTRANCE ALONG NEW DRIVEWAY CORRIDOR FOR THE FULL PROPOSED WIDTH

REVISION	DESCRIPTION	DATE

APPROVED: [Signature] 1/4/10	CITY ENGINEER
ENGINEERING DIVISION	
STABILIZED CONSTRUCTION SITE ENTRANCE	EC-2

STANDARD DETAILS MAY 2010

NOTE: STRAW ROLLS MUST BE PLACED ALONG SLOPE CONTOURS

NOTE: SEDIMENT, ORGANIC MATTER, AND NATIVE SEEDS ARE CAPTURED BEHIND THE ROLLS

NOTE: SPACING DEPENDS ON SOIL TYPE AND SLOPE STEEPNESS

NOTE:  
1. STRAW ROLL INSTALLATION REQUIRES THE PLACEMENT AND SECURE STAKING OF THE ROLL IN A TRENCH, 3'-5" (75-125mm) DEEP, DUG ON CONTOUR. RUNOFF MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO RUN UNDER OR AROUND ROLL  
2. VERTICAL SPACING FOR SLOPE INSTALLATIONS  
1:1 SLOPES = 10 FEET APART  
2:1 SLOPES = 20 FEET APART  
3:1 SLOPES = 30 FEET APART  
4:1 SLOPES = 40 FEET APART  
<4:1 SLOPE = ONE ROW AT LOW POINT  
3. REMOVED SEDIMENT SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN AN AREA THAT WILL NOT CONTRIBUTE SEDIMENT TO RUN OFF-SITE AND CAN BE PERMANENTLY STABILIZED

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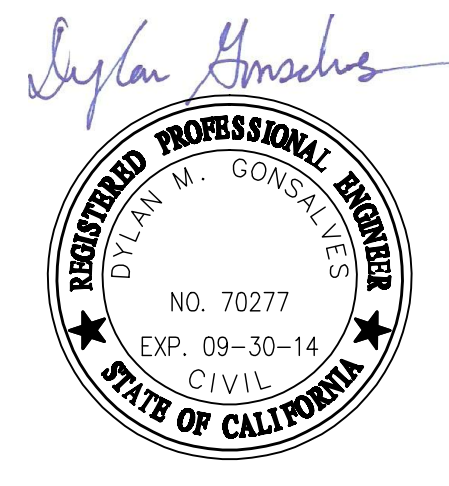
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**DETAILS**  
542 BENVENUE AVENUE  
CITY OF LOS ALTOS  
SANTA CLARA COUNTY - CALIFORNIA  
SCALE: 1" = 8'  
JULY 2013

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SHEET: **C2**  
ORIG.DWG: 7-24-2013  
REV.DWG: 12-16-2013  
JOB: 10-40

Total Existing Hardscape: 2280 sf  
 Existing Softscape area:  
 Lot Area: 8106 sf  
 Existing hardscape area: 2280 sf  
 Total existing softscape: 4999 sf (62%)

Proposed hardscape area:  
 Residence attached garage 1789 sf  
 Covered Front porch 130 sf  
 Front Paved walkway 60 sf  
 Right side paved walkway 103 sf  
 Back Arbor Patio 213 sf  
 Back Uncovered Patio 347 sf  
 Outdoor Kitchen 165 sf  
 Left Side lightwell 26 sf  
 Right Side lightwell 19 sf  
 Back lightwell 35 sf  
 Sunken patio/stairs 220 sf

Total proposed Hardscape 3107 (38% of lot)  
 827 sf more than existing

Proposed softscape area:  
 Lot area: 8106 sf  
 Proposed hardscape: 3106 sf

Total proposed softscape area  
 4999 sf (62% of lot)  
 10% less than existing

- Notes:
- All bare soil will be covered with mulch 2-3" thick.
  - Plants to be irrigated with smart controllers and water reuse wherever possible.
  - Rock material to be gathered onsite.
  - All materials site placement to be determined in field.
  - All trenches will be boarded for safety every 48", with trenches compacted and not left quick.
  - All mulch basins to have mulch shields readily accessible even with finish landscape dressing.
  - Plants to be watered in times of drought and summer for first year, and occasionally second year until established with grey-water system.
  - All pathways to be mulch or decomposed granite, depending on homeowner preference.
  - All plants to be guaranteed three years with the exception of rodent/deer damage, if planted and irrigated by MSL/SWP staff.
  - All boulders to be handled with safety equipment.
  - All plant maintenance to be directed by plant maintenance manual or MSL/SWP staff.
  - Fertilizer not recommended for greywater plants. Compost yearly is acceptable.
  - All mulch basin berms shall be inspected the first major rain events of each season until plants are established.
  - All drains shall be checked and maintained yearly to ensure proper flow.
  - Irrigation and plant schematic based on Exhibit A, Woodford gallon weekly capture/reuse of greywater.



**SYMBOL (PLANT) LEGEND**

- California Wax Myrtle
- Carpenteria sp.
- Assorted Fruit Evergreen Trees
- Street Trees (Fraxinus sp.)
- Vine Maple
- Mahonia sp.
- Redtwig Dogwood (*Cornus sericea*)
- Mountain Spirea (*Spirea douglasiana*),
- Spice Bush (*Calycanthus occidentalis*),
- Thimble Berry (*Rubus parviflorus*)
- Rosa californica
- Lavender (assorted)
- Grass, Sedge and Rush grouping:  
 Berkley Sedge (*Carex temuleca*),  
 California fescue (*Festuca californica*),  
 Common Spike Rush (*Juncus effesus*),  
 Scouring Rush (*Equisteum scirpoides*),  
 Deer Grass (*Muhlenbergia rigens*)
- Assorted Ferns/Iris
- Mock Orange
- Native Perennials/Huechra sp.

**SYMBOL LEGEND**

- Infiltration Basin, SD 2.1
- Stepped Planted Bioswale, SD 2.2
- Municipal Water Meter
- Mulch Basin Type S2 > 5' diameter, SD 2.3
- Polyline, 1"
- PVC sch. 40 1"
- ABS 2" at >2% slope
- Log Material
- Boulder Material



Woodford Landscape CONCEPTUAL

All topography and lines are approximate. Installation may alter slightly due to natural occurrence of conditions. Safety information: Identify volunteer worker needs to be signed prior to any onsite visit by a non-MSL staff, sub-contractor, crew member during installation of project. Contractor is responsible for pedestrian and vehicular safety for duration of this installation.

PLAN CHECK

Date:	
Approval:	
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Approval:	
Comment:	

# Woodford Landscape Plan Overview Plot Plan

542 Benvenue  
 Los Altos, CA  
 Santa Clara County

Landscape Base Plan:  
 Carolyn Price



18653 Main Street  
 Groveland, CA 95321

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# Certified Arborist's Tree Inventory & Pre-Construction Report

February 23, 2014  
Original Report: March 12, 2013

**Prepared for:**

Jill Woodford  
542 Benvenue Avenue  
Los Altos, CA 94024

**Site:**

New Home  
542 Benvenue Avenue  
Los Altos, CA 94024

**Prepared by:**

**Ray Morneau**

ISA Certified Arborist #WE-0132A  
PNWISA Certified Tree Risk Assessor #1188

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## 1.0 Assignment & Introduction

I have been retained by Jill Woodford as the Project Arborist to provide the pre-construction tree inventory and Arborist's Report for her family's new home project at 542 Benvenue Avenue in Los Altos.

Current drawings have been provided for my reference – including a proposed site plan in February 2013, to which I have added my tree numbers and included in this report.

## 2.0 Discussion with leading summary

### 2.1 Summary

Four (4) trees are associated with this property, three (3) on site and one (1) overhanging from the neighbors on the east. The site plan shows this project's new house with attached garage (with a partial basement) in the same location as the existing, but a little larger.

The main tree is the oak - #1 overhanging from the neighbor's. This can be preserved with the implementation of a tree protection plan, as discussed on site February 06, 2013.

Cedar #2 is at the edge of the new driveway footprint. Multiple stresses have taken their toll on this cedar from the compromised root structure at ground level up to the severe line clearance pruning in the foliage crown. Permission to remove this should be granted so a better structured specimen can be planted, which will grow to be an asset for years to come.

Oak tree #3 at the corner of the existing house likely grew from an acorn carried in by a local squirrel, who planted it in the shelter of this house – but placed it unrealistically close for it to reach its potential as a mature local coast live oak. The grading design challenges to build here require that oak #3 be removed.

Walnut #4 is in the back (northwest) corner of this parcel. This walnut is in very poor condition because it has been compromised by severe pruning that has irreparably damaged its structural integrity and ruined its ability to recover and live like a tree instead of a hat rack.

### Overall Condition Chart

Percentage Range	Text Description	Quantity
0%	DEAD	0
1% to 25%	Very Poor	1
26% to 49%	Poor	1
50 % to 70%	Fair	1
71% to 90%	Good	1
91% to 100%	Excellent	0

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## 2.2 Discussion

The existing driveway can be maintained intact until near the end of this project – thus covering critical root zone for oak #1 and allowing its interim use as a work space and material storage area, even worker parking. Root zone beyond the driveway can be buffered with a thick layer of wood chip mulch to make the area usable while still preserving more root zone. Placing tree protection fence (TPF) at the street can reduce the risks of construction damage.

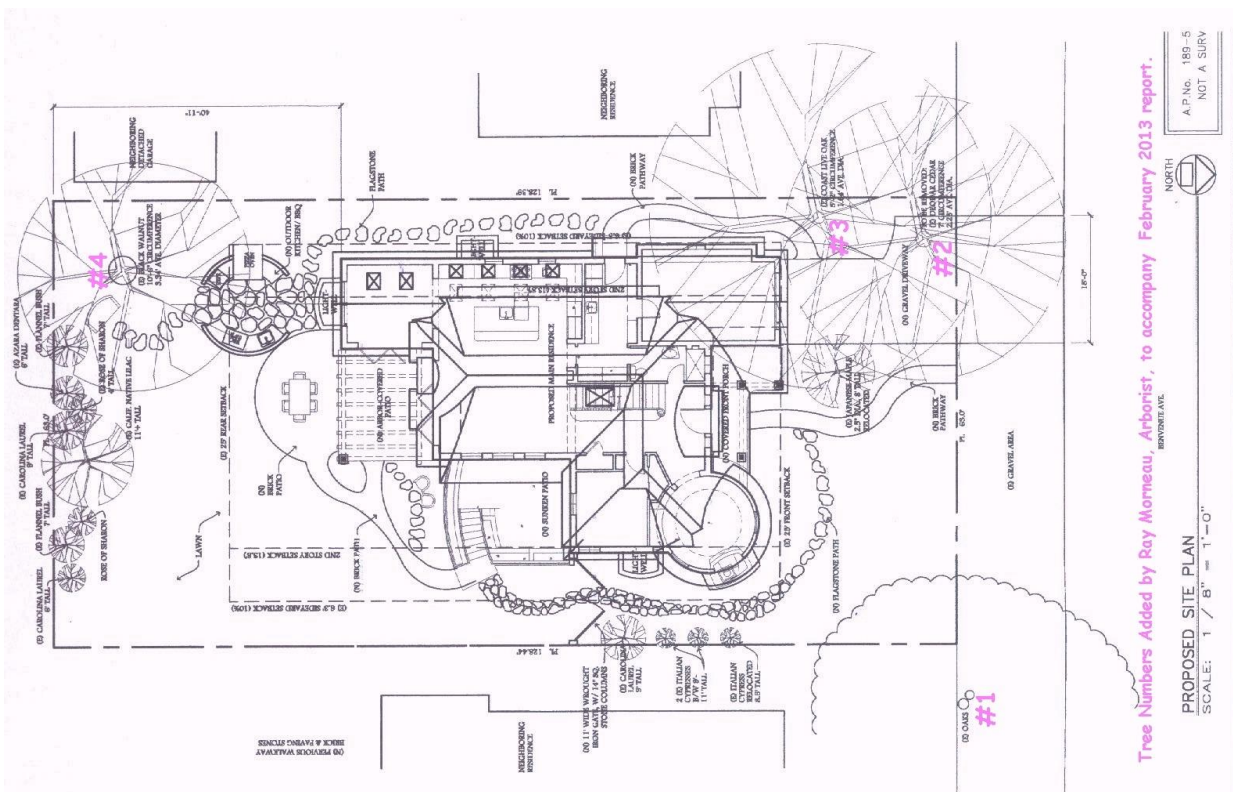
Cedar #2 is declining and should be removed – replaced with a tree suitable for planting beneath power line, which has a better structure than the current specimen compromised from its roots to its crown.

Oak #3 will require removal to accommodate necessary grading under the new house. Consider replanting another elsewhere on site – or maybe one in front and one in the back.

Walnut #4 is so severely declining that it makes sense to remove and replace with a better condition selection(s) from a more sensible planting palette.

## 3.0 Site Plan, Tree Data, & Data Legend

### 3.1 Plan, with tree numbers added





3.2 Tree Data (following half page)

3.3 Data Legend (then following two pages)

Tree #	Common Name	dbh (Diameter at Breast Height)	Crown Radius	Height	Crown Class	% Vigor	% Structure	% Overall	Suitability to Preserve	Additional Comments
1	Oak, Coast Live ( <i>Quercus agrifolia</i> )	31.0" @ 1'	25'	45'	Dom.	68%	65%	66% Fair	Mod.	Co-dominant trunks at 3-feet. with substantial narrow angle of attachment with embedded bark. But vigorous root flare in parking strip asphalt. Neighbor's tree (property line at 7-feet.). Concrete slab driveway at 9-feet. Edge of street pavement at 14
2	Cedar, Deodar ( <i>Cedrus deodara</i> )	26.4"	21'	53'	Co-dom.	53%	44%	47% Poor	Low	Neighbor's asphalt driveway at 4-feet.; 19-feet. to corner of existing house; 19-feet. to edge of street pavement; 6-feet. to sewer cleanout. Substandard communication lines attachment to trunk. Root flare prominent on south side, but defective around 40
3	Oak, Coast Live ( <i>Quercus agrifolia</i> )	21.9" @ 3'	22'	50'	Co-dom.	68%	75%	72% Good	Mod.	Two trunks at 4-feet (9", 19"). Crowded, .lop-sided against cedar #2 15-feet. to north. Existing house corner at 5-feet; neighbor's asphalt driveway at 1-foot; 6-feet to gas meter; edge of street pavement at 35-feet.
4	Walnut, Black ( <i>Juglans nigra</i> )	40.3" @ 1'	20'	35'	Dom.	25%	25%	25% V. Pr.	Very Low	Back fence at 9-feet south; west side fence at 7-feet. Severely declining with 40% of root flare and lower trunk circumference showing low vigor. Hat-racked (severely pruned) at ~28-feet with decay started at old, poorly located and executed cuts.



### 3.3 Legend - Tree Inventory Headers

Observations were made and data gathered during my on-site inspection February 11, 2013.

Further conclusions and protection measures were refined from office research, seminar information, and past experience based on those observations and data.

Unless otherwise defined as a limited inventory, all site trees larger than a minimum diameter (usually  $\geq 4$ -inch) were numbered and inspected. The gathered data was entered into a Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Excel database. The data is encapsulated into the accompanying "Tree Inventory Data" section. The categories are typically self-descriptive with only the following notes.

**Tree Number:** I sequentially assigned tree numbers from 1 to 4. A 1" by 3" aluminum tag is stapled to each tree at about eye level. I add a prefix "13" to identify each as linked with this inventory, thus differentiating it from any other numbering system.

**Names:** We employ the initial common names from McMinn, if listed, otherwise from Sunset. Scientific/botanical names are included to minimize confusion. As applicable, we used McMinn's key and/or Sunset's descriptions.

**DSH:** Diameter at Standard Height: This measurement is the trunk diameter measured at the standard height defined by the jurisdiction in which the tree trunk grows. The industry standard is 54 inches above ground level, taken with a standard surveyor's diameter tape, recorded in inches. Multi-trunked tree's diameters are measured below the lowest branch swelling and/or individual stems at 54 inches, or an average, depending on which height measurement is deemed to produce the best representative figure.

**Trunk Circumference:** City of Mountain View Planning Department has preferred that I convert the standard diameter measurements to circumference. This column shows my arithmetic results of multiplying the diameters by pi (3.141592).

**Crown Radius (CR):** The averaged radii's measurement is shown in feet ...  $(N+S+E+W) / 4 = CR$ .

**Canopy Cover:** Estimated averaged radii of foliage canopy cover (crown's shadow at noon on the ground below). [This column is omitted when not project-relevant.]

**Ht (Height):** Estimated distance foliage crown extends above grade, recorded in feet.

**Vigor:** Rating for tree's growth and vitality as a blend of elements like leaf or bud size and color, twig growth (elongation), accumulation of deadwood, cavities, woundwood development, trunk expansion (growth "cracks"), etc.



**Form:** Structure rating for tree's architecture as a composite of factors like branch attachment, lean and balance, effects of prior breakage, crossing-tangled-twisted limbs, codominant trunks and/or branches, decay and cavities, anchorage (roots), etc.

**Overall Condition:** Percentage rating assessing the tree's overall vigor, recent growth, insects/diseases, and structural defects. Relative text rating included in the same cell as: Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor, Very Poor.

This corresponds to the "Condition Percentage" factor in tree valuations per the Council of Tree and Landscape Appraisers (CTLA) system used by the International Society of Arboriculture. (CTLA, 1992.)

This combines foliage, branches, limbs, trunk, and root ratings into a composite condition score. This rating is used calculating these trees' appraised values required by some jurisdictions like Palo Alto.

**Overall Suitability:** Considers the species' tolerance to construction impacts and the tree's condition (vigor & structure), longevity/age, adaptability, and aesthetics. This rating takes into account most announced intentions of changes in area/lot use. Degrees: High, Moderate, Low, Very Low, In footprint.

- High: Tree in great condition and any existing defects or stresses are minor or can be easily mitigated.
- Moderate: Notable vigor and/or stability problems but which can be moderated with treatment &/or increased tree protection zone.
- Low: Significant problems, including shorter life expectancy. Difficult to retain but potential with much larger tree protection zone.
- Very Low: Substantial existing problems, defects, stresses. Unlikely to survive impact of any project.
- In footprint: So close to the proposed construction impacts that it is rated as being within the new footprint.

**Age / Longevity:** Rates tree's relative age: Young (Long) / Semi-Mature / Mature / Over-Mature (Short).

**Comments:** Notes most obvious defects, insects, diseases or unique characteristics.

#### 4.0 Tree Preservation Guidelines: Pre-Construction Maintenance notes

- Preserving pre-existing trees on construction sites dooms them to struggle due to hardships imposed by construction needs.
- Trees need space (above and below ground).
- Trees prefer their status quo.
- Buildings need space ... enough said.
- The "dripline", defined as the reach of the extended branches, is often unwisely assumed to be the root zone – the extended reach of most of the roots.
- Tree preservation discussions and/or tree protection measures cannot be all-inclusive but some are offered in many of my reports to assist planning and understanding.





- 4.1 Identify a TPZ (Tree Protection Zone) for each tree to remain after the project closes. A TPZ is defined by the jurisdiction in which the project is located to provide above-ground- and root-zone-protection for trees. In the absence of a specific local definition, the TPZ shall be a circle with a radius of 10-feet for every 1-foot of trunk diameter. Within the TPZ shall be identified a CRZ (Critical Root Zone) – a no man’s land within which no activity may occur without Project Arborist or City Arborist monitoring and/or sign-off. Unless otherwise specified, the CRZ shall be the larger of 3-foot-radius-circle or a circle with a radius of 2-feet for every 1-foot of trunk diameter.
- 4.2 Supplemental watering should be provided for all trees to remain. A rule of thumb for construction site stressed trees is 10-20 gallons per trunk diameter inch per month, particularly critical during hot weather. This is modified by the Project Arborist on site with root zone inspections and monitoring as water demands will obviously be lower during cool, damp weather. Inspection should find soil between 3" and 18" below grade moist enough for roots to thrive.
- 4.3 No pruning is absolutely needed at this time, though pruning to reduce foliage branch endweights could usually make for better-structured trees. Typically, crown raising for clearance over some areas of a site is useful (7-feet over bike lanes, 14-feet for vehicle access, 1- to 3-feet over roofs [species-dependant]). Nevertheless, deadwood removal and endweight reduction is commonly performed to improve existing site and neighboring trees. And, usually project trees benefit from "Crown Cleaning" for deadwood removal and "Crown Thinning" to lighten branch endweights) at sometime before the close of the project. Then the owner has a benchmark against which to compare future status of the trees. All work must conform to published ISA BMPs keyed to ANSI A-300 Standards as the basis for written pruning specifications drafted by an ISA Certified Arborist (or equivalent).
- 4.4 Approaching project commencement, when the foundations, driveways, and other hardscape features (including trenches) have been staked/located, then some pruning may likely be needed. Raising/clearance can be minimized for space to work. Root pruning along the lines within 15-feet on either side of mature trees’ trunks can sever roots cleanly, reducing shock to these trees’ systems.  
Root pruning prior to excavating for the foundation and driveway must be done to avoid excessive root damage (rips, tears, shatter, breakage). This is commonly performed with a trencher until 1-inch diameter roots are encountered, at which time the crew continues with exposing larger roots for hand pruning with a sharp saw (hand saw, Sawz-All®, or equivalent). This can be done by careful hand-digging or air/hydraulic excavation to avoid damaging tree roots.
- 4.5 All project tree work performed before, during, or after construction is to be done by WCISA Certified Tree Workers under the supervision of an ISA Certified Arborist (or equivalents, if they possess sufficient skill for approval by Project Arborist). This includes all pruning, removals (including stump removals) within driplines of trees to be preserved, root pruning, and repair or remedial measures.



## 5.0 Tree Preservation Guidelines: Tree Protection Measures

- 5.1 Fencing and other root zone protection is usually specified as a drip-line installation of 6-foot high chain link fence on galvanized drive posts, plus root zone wood chip mulch. However, due to the inevitable myriad project variables, alternatives are frequently allowed – but require careful strategies arranged with and signed off by the Project Arborist or City Arborist.

For this project, it is highly likely that all site trees must be removed/replaced, so only adjoining-overhanging trees need protecting ... and the property line fences would be the appropriate fencing this time.

Must be in place before demolition or any other project site work.

Though generally expected to extend to the dripline, here the TPF can be installed as close to that as possible.

One 24- to 36-inch opening or gate should be left for inspection access to each area. Fence material is to be 6-foot-high chain link fence supported by 8-foot long, 2-inch diameter galvanized fence posts driven 2-feet into the soil.

Where no plant material root zone buffer is growing (e.g. ivy), a wood chip mulch is to be spread evenly to a 4-inch depth from the dripline to 6-inches from the base of the trunk. Taper to existing ground level at the base of the trunk with a slope of about 2:1.

Additional root zone areas requiring protection can be buffered as Project Arborist requires, e.g., if project scope changes. Commonly acceptable buffer materials often include wood chips, crushed rock, plywood, steel trench plates, and/or a combination of such materials. Consult Project Arborist for depth specifications (which vary depending on use of area and/or specific traffic).

Root zone areas to be protected may be modified by the Municipal Arborist or Project Arborist as plans develop.

## 5.2 Prohibited Acts & Admonishments/Requirements

5.2.1 No parking or vehicle traffic over any root zones, unless using buffers approved by Project Arborist or City Arborist.

5.2.2 Monitor root zone moisture and maintain as per above.

5.2.3 Have an ISA Certified Arborist repair any damage promptly.

5.2.4 No pouring or storage of fuel, oil, chemicals, or hazardous materials under any trees' foliage canopies or future plant materials' root zone areas.

5.2.5 No grade changes (cuts, fills, etc.) under these foliage crowns without prior Project Arborist approval. For instance, hand excavation and thinner base prep may be required in some root zone areas.

5.2.6 Any additional pruning required must be performed under arborist supervision – including root pruning – clean, smooth cuts with no breaking, scraping, shattering, or tearing of wood tissue and/or bark.

5.2.7 No storage of construction materials under any foliage canopy without prior Project Arborist or City Arborist approval.

5.2.8 No trenching within the critical root zone area. Consult Project Arborist before any trenching or root cutting beneath any tree's foliage canopy. It is best to route all



trenching out from under trees' driplines. Often trenches in root zones must be hand excavated to leave roots intact.

- 5.2.9 No clean out of trucks, tools, or other equipment over any essential root zone. Keep this debris outside of any existing or future root zone.
- 5.2.10 No attachment of signs or other construction apparatus to these trees.

### 5.3 Construction-time Maintenance

- 5.3.1 Monitor root zone moisture and maintain as per above (§4.1).
- 5.3.2 Maintain/repair tree protection fences and/or root zone mulch/buffer material.
- 5.3.3 Have a certified arborist promptly repair any damage to trees.
- 5.3.4 Develop the plan for follow-up care so, as the project closes, the care of the trees can be handed over for continuing management by the owner and/or landscape contractor.

### 5.4 Post-Construction Follow-Up

- 5.4.1 Monitor root zone moisture, especially during/following drought//dry seasons. [A dry season is any time more than 60 days elapse since significant rainfall (2-inches or less).]
- 5.4.2 Monitor root zone mulch (if used), maintain depth, and scarify (approximately once or twice annually) to break up compaction/matting.
- 5.4.3 Monitor for insect pests and diseases, especially insects with sucking/chewing mouthparts or boring insects (bark beetles)..
- 5.4.4 Inspect for structural safety before storm season and after severe weather events.
- 5.4.5 Follow California Oak Foundation guidelines as to not irrigating and/or planting water loving plant material within 10-feet of the trunks of mature trees.

## 6.0 Certification

I certify that all the statements of fact in this report are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge, ability, and belief, and are made in good faith.

Thank you for the opportunity to apply my knowledge and expertise working with your trees. Good luck with the construction project and tree care decisions ahead of you. If I can answer any further questions for you, the City staff, tree care contractors, or anyone with concerns about your trees, please call or e-mail to inform me.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Raymond J. Morneau". The signature is written in a cursive style and is placed over a light blue rectangular background.

Raymond J. Morneau

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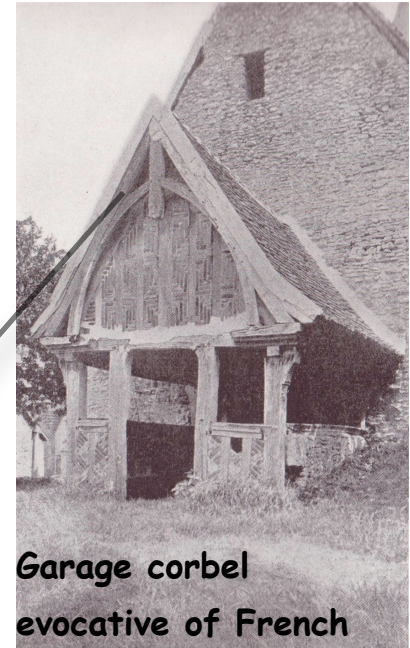
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Northern Roof Tiles  
French Style Flat  
Clay Tile Roof



Inset casement windows with  
bullnose stucco surround



Garage corbel  
evocative of French  
Country Stable house

Clay  
Chimney Pot



Wooden beams for corbels, pillars

Natural Butter Ochre  
stucco, inspired by  
Provençal colors

3/4" Black and  
white gravel for  
driveway



"French blue" lapis  
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