

Design Specifications- Micropile Foundation System

Zone	Total Piles	Average Length (ft)	Total Length
1- Primary Area	233	65	15145
2-Radiotherapy Area (Linac Valuts)	70	65	4550
3-Shell Space & ED Canopy	84	65	5460
4- Bridge Connection	20	65	1300
Total	387 piles	65 ft	26455 ft

Design Maximum Capacity:

End-bearing Piles = 280 kips
 Tension Piles = 180
 Battered Piles = 300 kips axial, 4 kips lateral

Geopier Calculations

(Based on GeoStructures Design Manual, Example Problem)

ZONE 1: PRIMARY AREA

Structural Specifications:

Column J5- 4 bearing piles, @ bearing design load of 280 kips each
 4 Piles * 280 kips/pile = 1120 kips
 Tributary Area = 992 sf
 Distributed load = 1.13 ksf

Soil Data:

Undrained Shear strength, $c(u) = 500$ psf
 Modulus of subgrade rxn. = 50 pci
 Moist unit wt. = 120 pcf
 Recommended allowable bearing capacity, shallow footings = 2000 psf

Geopier Design Values

For Silts and Clays, $N=7$ (Table 4.2 – Geopier Reference Manual)
 Allowable composite footing bearing pressure, $q_f = 6000$ psf
 Geopier & Footing Segment Capacity, $Q_{gp} = 85$ kips
 Geopier Stiffness Modulus, $K_p = 210$ pci

Lower Zone Design Parameter, $E_s = 250$ ksf (From Geopier Manual backup literature)

Number of Geopiers required:

Total Design Load = [1120 kips] / [90 kips per Geopier] = 12.4 → Try 12 Geopiers

Footing Size and Composite Bearing Pressure:

Est'd. Ftg size = 1120 kips / 6 ksf = 187 sf → Try 14' x 14' ftg.

Actual Ftg. Size = 196 sf

Composite bearing pressure, $q = 1120 \text{ kips} / 196 \text{ sf} = 5.7 \text{ ksf} = 5714 \text{ psf}$

Upper Zone Settlement:

Area Ratio, $R(a)$ of footing area covered by Geopiers (30" diameter → 4.91 sf)

$$R(a) = 12 \text{ Geopiers} * 4.91 / 196 \text{ sf} = 0.30 = 30.06\%$$

Stress Ratio (Geopier to Matrix soil stiffness ratio)

Matrix soil modulus, $K_m = [2000 \text{ psf}] / [144 \text{ in}^2 \text{ per ft}^2] / [1 \text{ inch}] = 13.9 \text{ pci}$

Stress Ratio, $R_s = K_p / K_m = 210 \text{ pci} / 13.9 \text{ pci} = 15.12$

Maximum stress on Geopier:

$$q(qp) = q * R_s / (R_a * R_s - R_a + 1) = [5714 * 15.12] / [.30 * 15.12 - .30 + 1] = 16482.7 \text{ psf}$$

Upper Zone Settlement Calc:

$$S(uz) = q(qp) / K_p = 16482.7 / 144 / 210 = 0.545 \text{ inches}$$

Lower Zone Settlement:

Allowable LZ Settlement, $S(lz) = 1.0" - 0.545" = 0.455 \text{ inches}$

Footing width, $B = 14'$, $UZ + LZ = 2B = 28 \text{ feet}$

Try 10' Shaft Length

$UZ = \text{shaft length} + 1 \text{ diameter prestress zone} = 10' + 30 \text{ inches} = 12.5 \text{ feet}$

$LZ = 28' - 12.5' = 15.5 \text{ feet}$

Lower Zone Stress, q_{lz} at center of Lower Zone (using Westergaard Stress Dist.)

Center of LZ depth = $UZ + (LZ / 2) = 12.5' + (15.5 / 2) = 20.25 \text{ feet}$

$f(B) = 20.25' / 14' = 1.45$

From Westergaard- approximately 14% of composite footing bearing pressure

$$Q(lz) = 0.14 * 5714 = 776 \text{ psf} = .776 \text{ ksf}$$

Lower Zone Settlement

$$S(lz) = q(lz) / E_s * LZ * 12 \text{ in/ft} = 0.776 / 250 * 14 * 12 = 0.537 \text{ in} > 0.455 \text{ in}$$

Settlement greater than 1", however still assume 10' shaft length for purposes of this investigation

Number of Geopiers required:

31' x 31' Bay @ 10' x 8' Spacing → 36,733 sf / 992 * 12 = 444 Geopiers

Not all bays 31' x 31', Therefore use spacing standard to determine number required.

Per Grid Plan → 419 Total Geopier Elements

ZONE 2: RADIOTHERAPY ENCLOSURE

70 Piles * 280 kips/pile = 19600 kips
Total Area = 6000 sf
Distributed load = 3.26 ksf

Number of Geopiers required:

Total DL = [19600 kips] / [90 kips per Geopier] = 217 → Try 220 Geopiers

@ 5.5' x 5.5' Nominal Spacing → 228 Geopiers Total

ZONE 3: SHELL SPACE

84 Piles * 280 kips/pile = 23520 kips
Total Area = 13811 sf
Distributed load = 1.7 ksf

Number of Geopiers required:

Total DL = [23520 kips] / [90 kips per Geopier] = 261 → Try 260 Geopiers

The nature of this area requires a second look: 24 of the piles are located in a grade beam at the South end, all of which are battered (angled). However, 260 Geopiers will still be installed due to ambiguity in how this load distributes over a mat slab.

@ 8' x 7' Nominal Spacing → 269 Geopiers Total

Geopier Summary:

Zone 1 = 419
Zone 2 = 228
Zone 3 = 269
Total = 916 Geopier Elements

Mat Slab Thickness Calculations

(Based on *Principles of Engineering*, Sixth Edition, Braja M. Das)

Feasibility Analysis: (uses foundation wall depth of 20' (typ.))

Soil Data: (from Geotechnical Report)

Undrained Shear strength, $c(u) = 500$ psf
Moist unit wt. = 120 pcf
 $D(f) = 20' + ?$
Factor of Safety (shear) = 1.5 (typ.)
 $\Phi = 22$ degrees (internal angle of friction)
 $P = 1120$ kips (from above)

$D(f)$ calculation: $q(\text{net, ultimate}) = 5.14 * c(u) * [1 + 0.195B/L] * [1 + 0.4D(f)/B]$

Zone 1: Using $q(\text{net, u}) = P = 1120$ kips:
Bay: 31' x 31' ftg. (B x L) (typical)

Using $D(f) = 22' \rightarrow 3942.96$ psf > 1129 psf OK- Determine Actual Thickness

Mat Slab Thickness Determination

Thickness Calculation: $\Phi V(c) = \Phi 4 * \sqrt{f'c} * b(0) * d$
 $\Phi V(c) = P$
 $f'c = 4000$ psi (based on structural specifications)
 $b = 2(b + d) + 2(c + d)$
 $\Phi = 0.85$ (typical, punching shear)

Zone 1: Distributed Load = 1129 psf

Wall Depth = 20'

$D(f) = ?$

Column J-4: $P = 1120$ kips

Base Plate Dim's. = 22" x 22" (b x c)

$\rightarrow d = 27" + 1"$ (dia. of reinforcing, 2 ways) + 3" (cover) = 33" = 2'-9" slab

Zone 2: Distributed Load = 3260 psf

Wall Depth = 20'

$D(f) = ?$

$\rightarrow d = 49" + 2"$ (dia. of reinforcing, 2 ways) + 3" (cover) = 54" = 4'-6" slab

(Note, since no column point loads are in this area, b and c are assumed to be largest of base plates dimensions = 26" x 30")

Zone 3: Distributed Load = Not typical

Wall Depth = 20'

D(f) = ?

Pile Cap Q.5, 7.3: P = 560 kips

Base Plate Dim's. = 40.5" x 81" (b x c) (estimated)

→ $d = 9" + 1"$ (dia. of reinforcing, 2 ways) + 3" (cover) = 13" → Use 15" slab

FOUNDATION CONCRETE COSTS- EXISTING SLAB ON GRADE												
CSI Code	Description	Qty.	Daily Output	Labor Hrs	Unit	Materials Unit Cost	Labor Unit Cost	Equipment Unit Cost	Total	Total, incl. O&P		
3310-700-3900	Structural concrete, placing, pile caps, pumped, 6 C.Y. to 10 C.Y., includes vibrating, excludes material	562.73	200	0.32	C.Y.	\$0.00	\$7.10	\$3.76	\$10.86	\$9,031.82		
3310-240-4050	Structural concrete, in place, foundation mat, over 20 C.Y., includes forms(4 uses), reinforcing steel, and finishing	2614	56.5	1.986	C.Y.	\$144.00	\$50.00	\$0.42	\$194.42	\$637,816.00		
3310-220-0300	Structural concrete, ready mix, normal weight, 4000 PSI, includes material only	3186			C.Y.	\$84.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$84.00	\$294,705.00		
	Pile Installation									\$1,250,000.00		
Totals						\$228.00	\$57.10	\$4.18	\$289.28	\$941,552.82		

FOUNDATION CONCRETE COSTS- PROPOSED MAT SLAB												
CSI Code	Description	Qty.	Daily Output	Labor Hrs	Unit	Materials Unit Cost	Labor Unit Cost	Equipment Unit Cost	Total	Total, incl. O&P		
3310-240-4050	Structural concrete, in place, foundation mat, over 20 C.Y., includes forms(4 uses), reinforcing steel, and finishing	5381	56.5	1.986	C.Y.	\$144.00	\$100.00	\$0.42	\$244.42	\$1,582,014.00		
	Geopier Installation	916			Ea.				\$675.00	\$618,300.00		
3310-220-0300	Structural concrete, ready mix, normal weight, 4000 PSI, includes material only	5381			C.Y.	\$84.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$84.00	\$497,742.50		
Totals						\$228.00	\$100.00	\$0.42	\$1,003.42	\$2,698,056.50		

Assume: Two crews working on mat slab pour = 2x labor costs
 Geopier cost/element based on rough estimate provided by Geopier professional
 Pile Installation based on contract value provided by Gilbane