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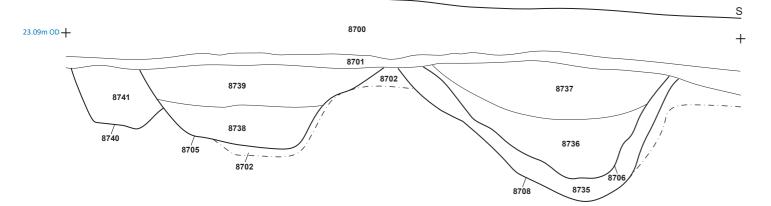


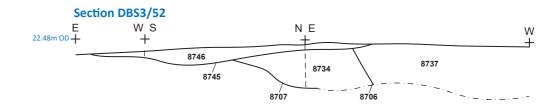


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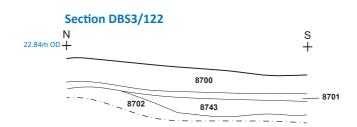
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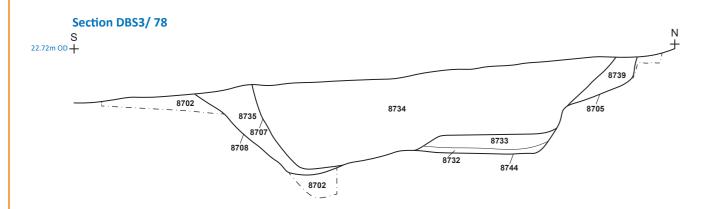
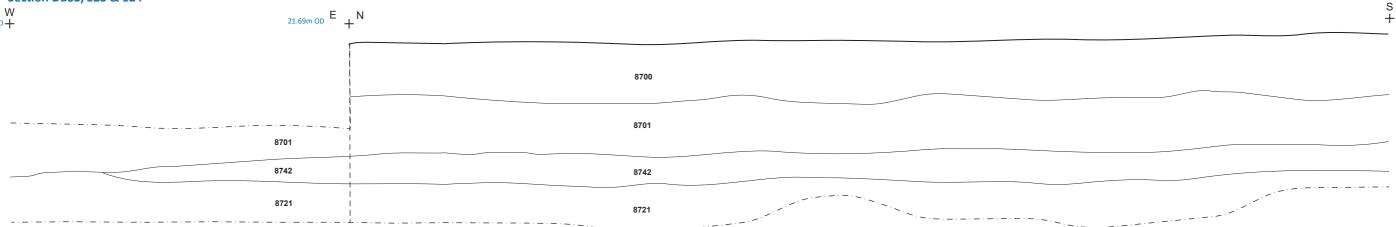




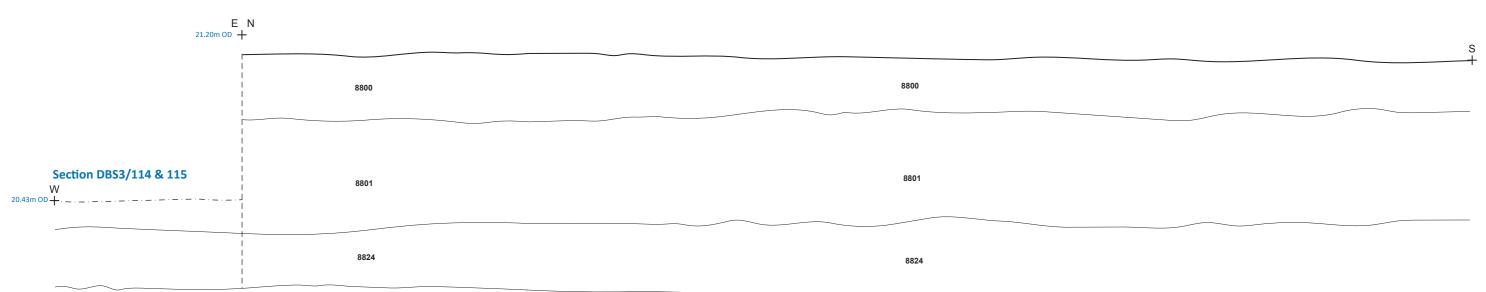
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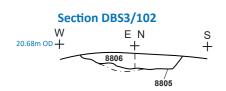






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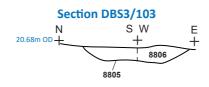
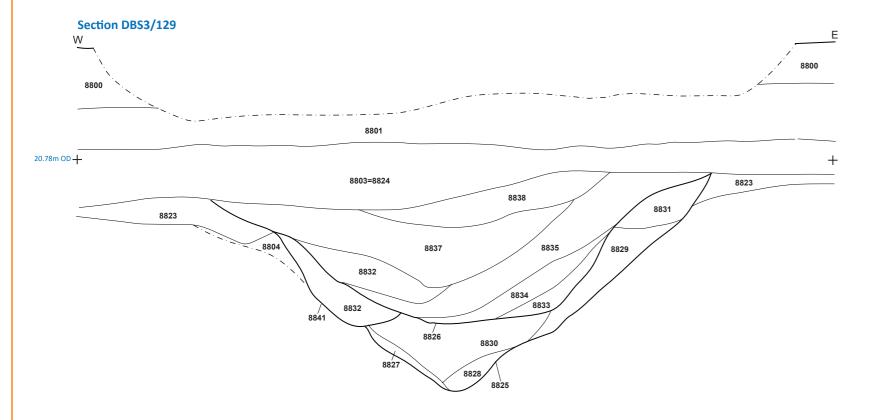
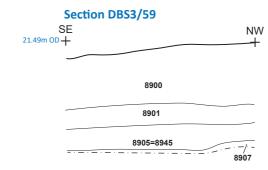


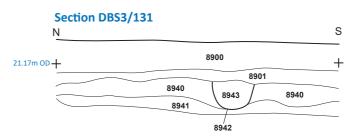


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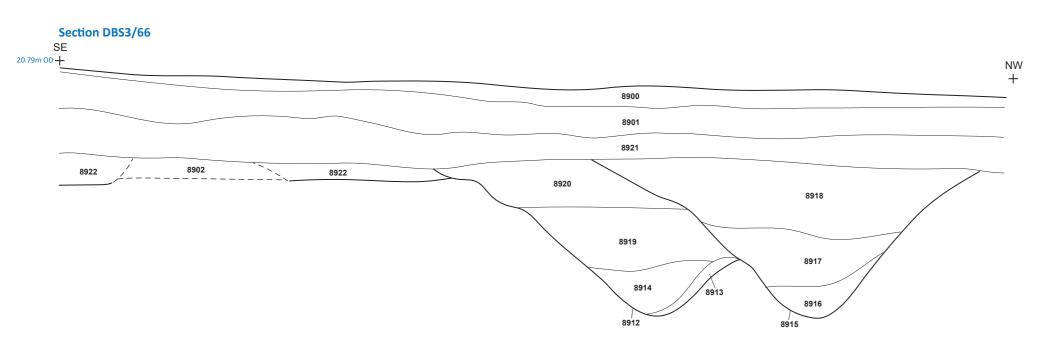
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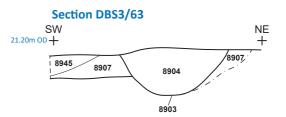
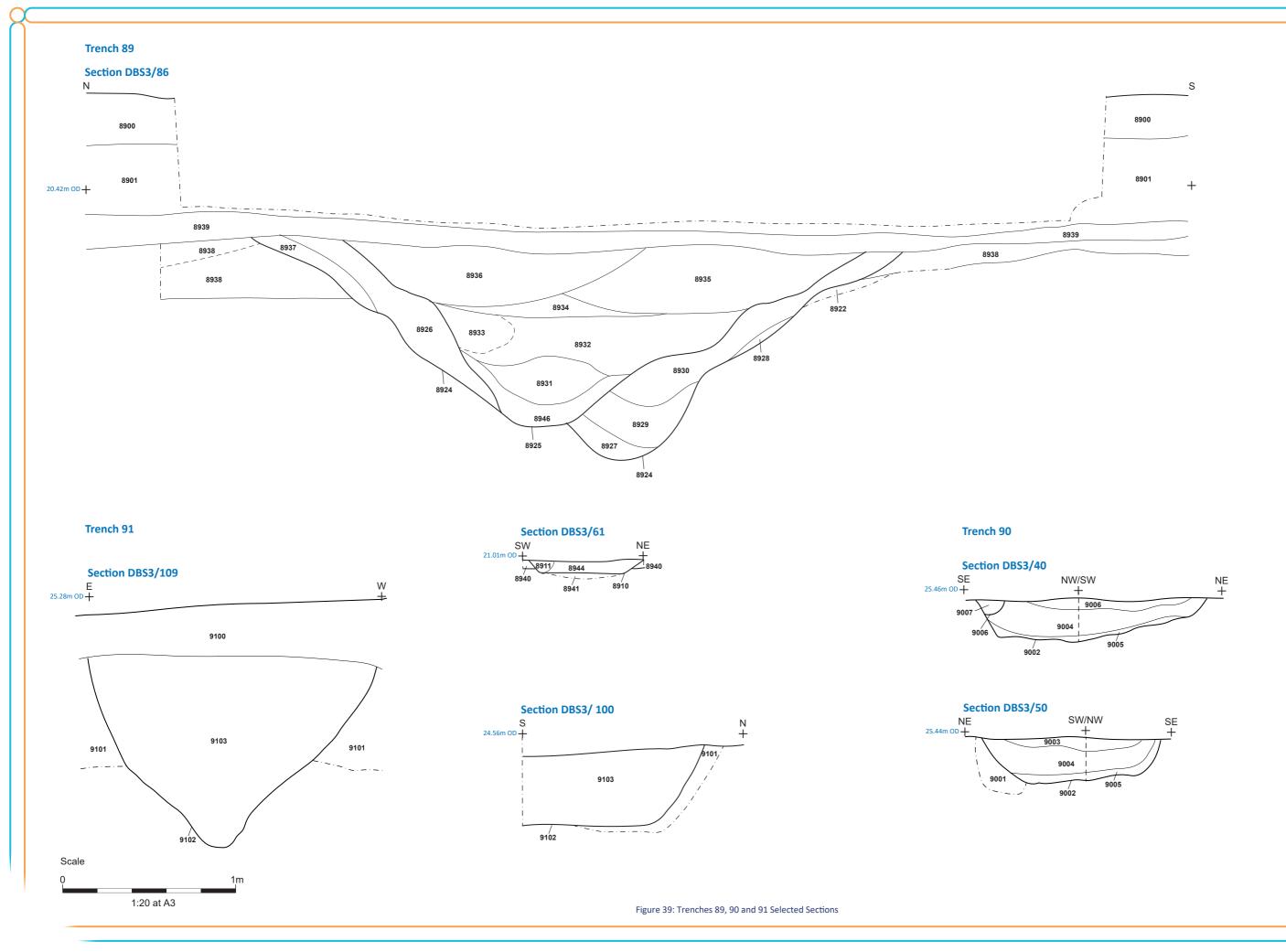




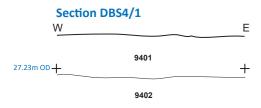
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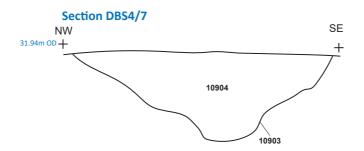


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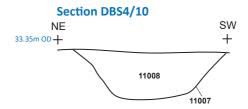
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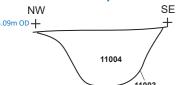
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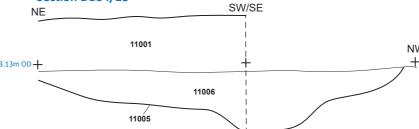
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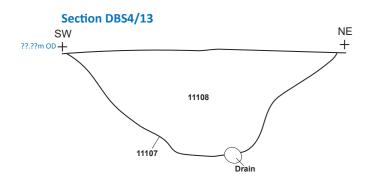
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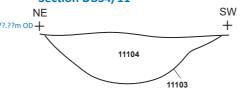
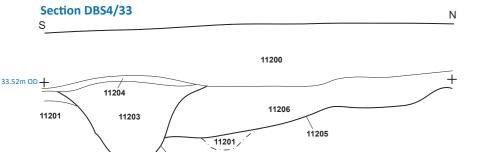
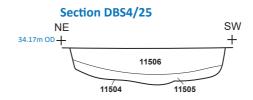


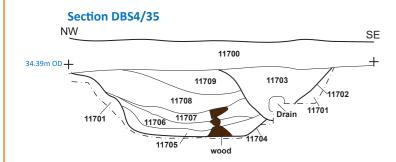


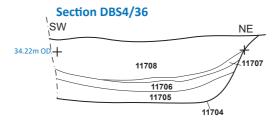
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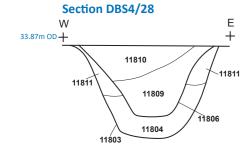
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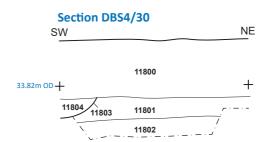














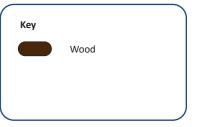


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Plate 1.2: Trench 40. Trench shot showing a typical example of natural with dense natural silty clay layers or patches overlying the boulder clay. Ditch [4004] is visible in the foreground. Looking northeast.



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## **Plates: Onshore Substation Zone**



Aerial view focusing on south end of site (foreground). Mid-excavation view with Trenches 80 – 85 Plate 2.1: & 87 – 93 open. Looking northwest.



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