



LEGEND

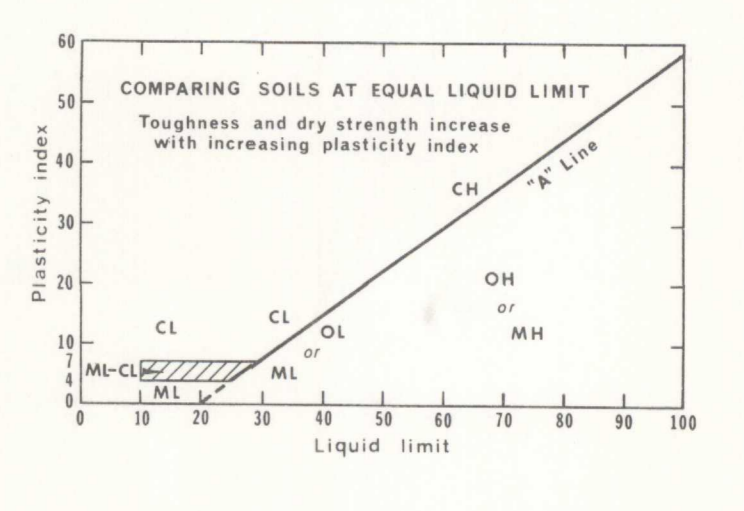
Susceptibility rank	Map Unit	Soil type symbol	General description	Comments
I	+	+	Bedrock - shales, sandstones, carbonates and siltstones. Very low ice content except in shale where fractures are filled with ice to depth of 100-150 ft.	Competent carbonates and sandstones can be used as source of granular material. Rock falls and slides occur on steep slopes, rotational slumps common on high cliffs of shale. No changes caused by disturbance except on steep slopes of frozen shale.
II	□	GP	Gravel - medium to coarse, poorly graded, high permeability. Low ice content in coarse materials, locally ice lenses in finer sediments. Ground ice generally absent in beach sediments.	Good source of granular material. Locally minor ground ice slumping and thermokarst subsidence can be caused by disturbance.
		SP	Sand - fine to medium, poorly graded, moderate to high permeability. Low to moderate ice content, seams of segregated ice.	Suitable as source of granular material. Minor ground ice slumping and thermokarst subsidence can be caused by disturbance.
		SM	Silty sand, sandy silt-fine, poorly graded, low permeability, on slopes <5°. Moderate to high ice content, locally with thin lenses of segregated ice. Discontinuous organic cover up to 10 ft.	Poor source of borrow material, can be improved by artificial drying. Minor ground ice slumping, gullying, and thermokarst subsidence can be caused by disturbance.
III	▨	CL	Clayey to silty till - fine, low to medium plasticity, low permeability, on slopes <5°. Moderate ice content with thin seams and locally thicker lenses of segregated ice. Discontinuous organic cover up to 10 ft.	Suitable as borrow material (fill) only where ice content is low. Low to moderate susceptibility to thermokarst subsidence, gullying and ground ice slumping due to disturbance.
		SH, ML	Silty sand, sandy silt - fine, poorly graded, low permeability, on slopes >5°. Moderate to high ice content, locally with thin lenses of segregated ice. Locally overlain by patches of organic cover.	Poor source of borrow material, can be improved by artificial drying. Moderate susceptibility to thermokarst subsidence; gullying and ground ice slumping due to disturbance.
IV	▨	Pt	Peat and fen complex - porous, high compressibility, extremely high moisture content. Peat - moderate to high ice content, up to 50% of segregated ice, locally unfrozen from 1 to 3 ft. Fen - commonly unfrozen to depth of 6 ft., locally some segregated ice at greater depths.	Unfavorable for construction purposes. High susceptibility to terrain subsidence due to disturbance.
		CL	Clayey to silty till - fine, low to medium plasticity, low permeability, on slopes >5°. Moderate ice content with thin seams and locally thicker lenses of segregated ice. Irregular patches of organic cover.	Suitable as borrow material (fill) only where ice content is low. Moderate to high susceptibility to thermokarst subsidence, gullying and ground ice slumping due to disturbance; locally superficial mudflows and flow slides.
V	▨	OH, CH	Organic and inorganic clay, clayey silt - very fine, low permeability, high plasticity, on slopes <5°. Moderate to high ice content. Up to 10% of segregated ice as thin seams in upper layers, tabular ice bodies at greater depths. Discontinuous organic cover up to 10 ft.	Very poor source of fill material. High susceptibility to major thermokarst slumping and rapid gullying due to disturbance.
VI	▨	OH, CH	Organic and inorganic clay, clayey silt - very fine, low permeability, high plasticity, on slopes >5°. Moderate to high ice content. Up to 10% of segregated ice as thin seams in upper layers, tabular ice bodies at greater depths. Irregular patches of organic cover.	Very poor source of fill material. High susceptibility to major thermokarst slumping and rapid gullying due to disturbance; large detachment slides and retrogressive flow slides common.

INCREASING TERRAIN SUSCEPTIBILITY TO DISTURBANCE

Note: Soil symbols according to Unified Soil Classification System.

UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION

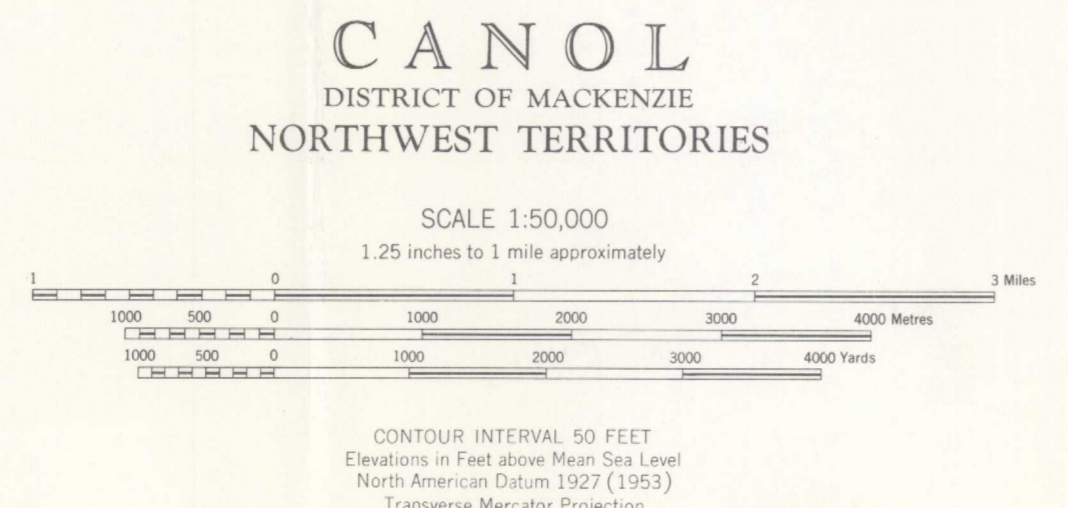
FIELD IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES		GROUP SYMBOLS	TYPICAL NAMES	LABORATORY CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA			
COARSE GRAINED SOILS More than half of material is larger than No. 200 sieve size	GRAVELS More than half of coarse fraction is larger than No. 4 sieve size	GW	Well graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures; little or no fines	Depending on percentage of fines coarse grained soils are classified as follows: Less than 5% GW, GP, SM, SP More than 5% GM, GC, SM, SC 5% to 12% use of dual symbols	Atterberg limits below "A" line, or PI less than 4		
		GP	Poorly graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures; little or no fines			Above "A" line with PI between 4 and 7 are borderline cases requiring use of dual symbols	
		GM	Silty gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-silt mixtures				
	GC	Clayey gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-clay mixtures					
	SANDS More than half of coarse fraction is smaller than No. 4 sieve size	SW	Well graded sands, gravelly sands; little or no fines				Atterberg limits below "A" line, or PI less than 4
		SP	Poorly graded sands, gravelly sands; little or no fines				
SM		Silty sands, poorly graded sand-silt mixtures					
SC	Clayey sands, poorly graded sand-clay mixtures						
FINE GRAINED SOILS More than half of material is smaller than No. 200 sieve size	SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid limit less than 50	ML	Inorganic silts and very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands with slight plasticity	Atterberg limits below "A" line, or PI less than 4			
		CL	Inorganic clays of low to medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays		Above "A" line with PI between 4 and 7 are borderline cases requiring use of dual symbols		
		OL	Organic silts and organic silt-clays of low plasticity				
	SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid limit greater than 50	MH	Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sandy or silty soils, elastic silts			Atterberg limits above "A" line, with PI greater than 7	
		CH	Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays				
		OH	Organic clays of medium to high plasticity				
HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS		Pt	Peat and other highly organic soils				



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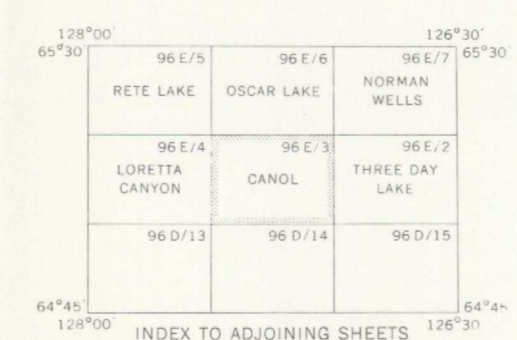
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Roads:	loose surface, dry weather	Winged road
	winter, cart track	
	trail, cut line or portage	
	Railway, single track	
	Bridges, road, railway	
	Boundary, provincial	
	Horizontal control point, with elevation	454
	Church	
	School	
	Building	
	Mine or Open cut	
	Small island, rock bare or wash	



REFERENCE

Streams:	intermittent or dry
	indefinite
	Line intermittent, indefinite
	Marsh or Swamp
	Foreshore flats
	Rocky reef
	Contours
	elevation
	depression
	approximate
	Cliff
	Forest



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TERRAIN DISTURBANCE SUSCEPTIBILITY MAPS

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