

GILBERT ROAD BRIDGE IN ARIZONA

A Comparison of Different QA/QC Testing Methods

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PROJECT DETAILS

10' diameter reaching depths of 165' from grade

Keller scope included installation of 8 piers, each consisting of 2-10' diameter by approximately 140' long drilled shafts, and 2 abutments with 3 drilled shafts (7' x 125')

Testing methods included: TIP, SHAPE, CSL & GGL



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NDT Testing Procedures

GGL – Measures density around close to 4 inches of radius around access tube

CSL – Measures FAT between available access tubes via sonic pulses.

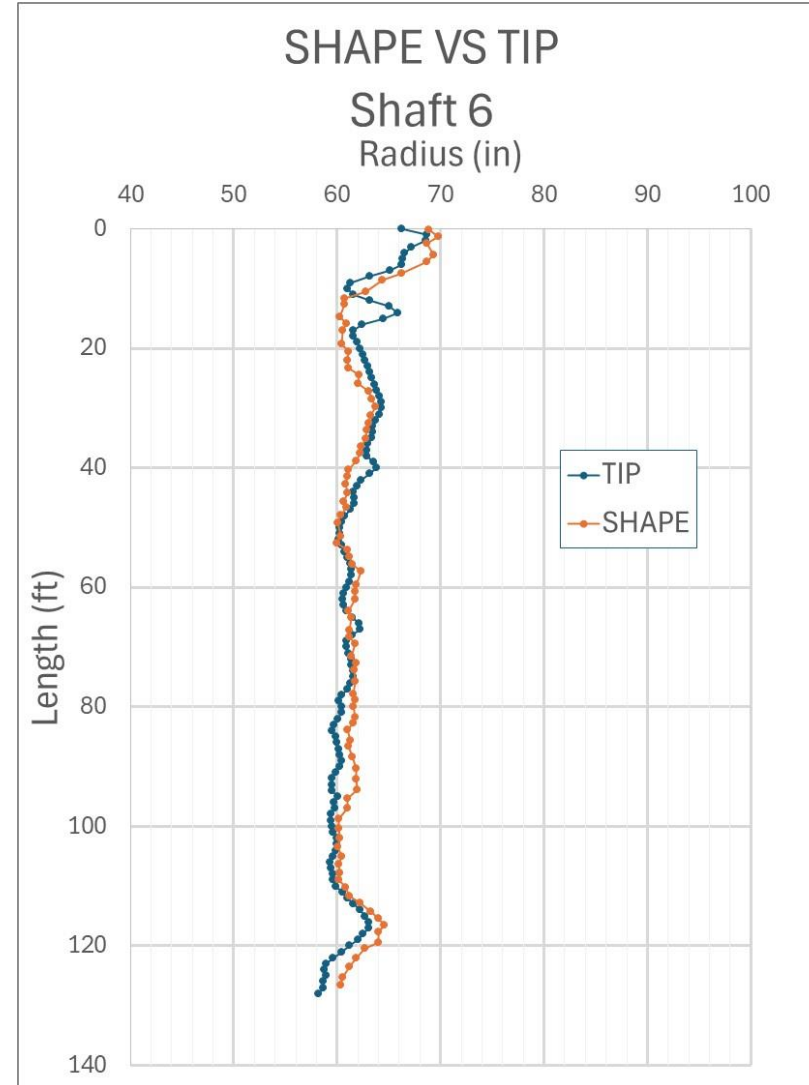
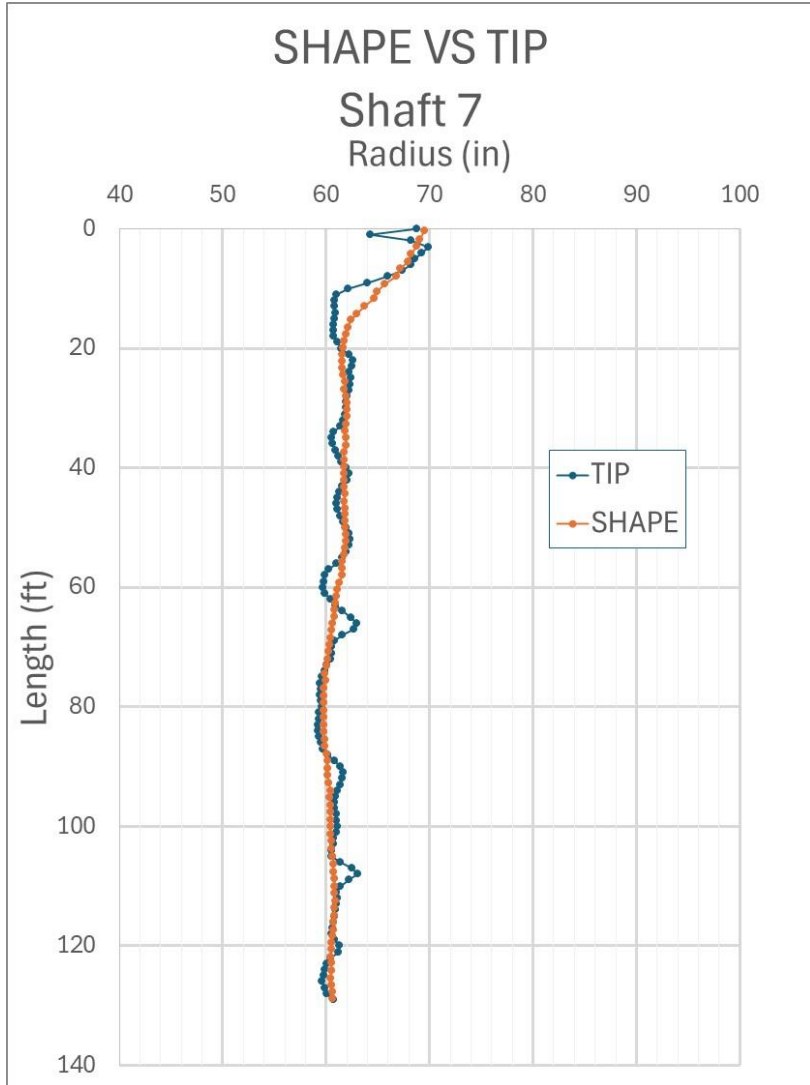
SHAPE – Measures as build hole.

TIP – Measures temperature and determines relative radius (distance between cage and outside radius of shaft).

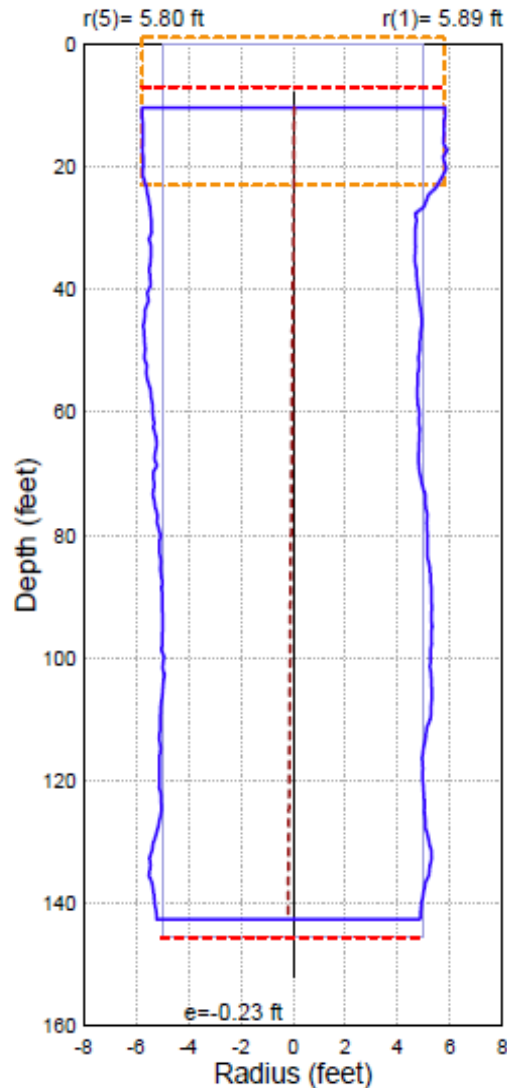


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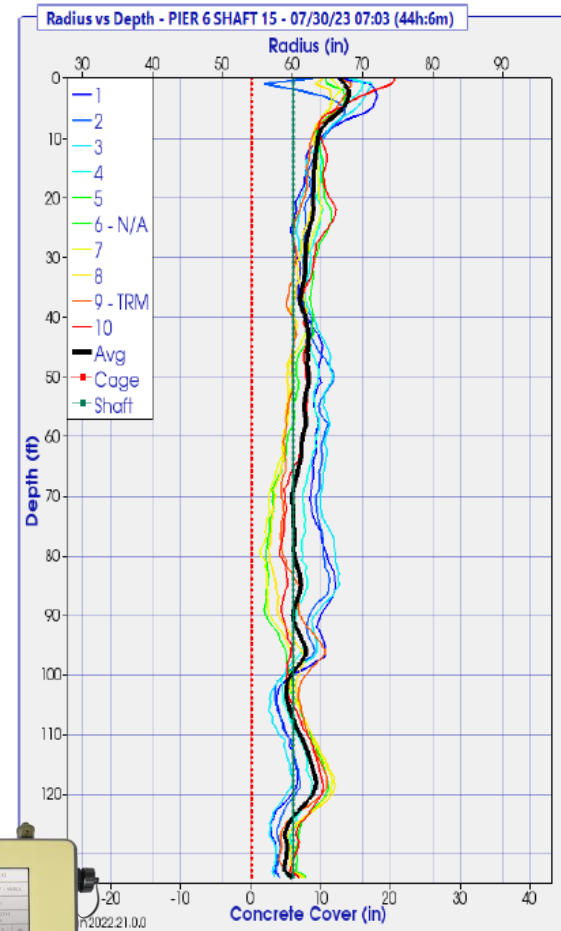
SHAPE VS TIP - SHAFT DIAMETER



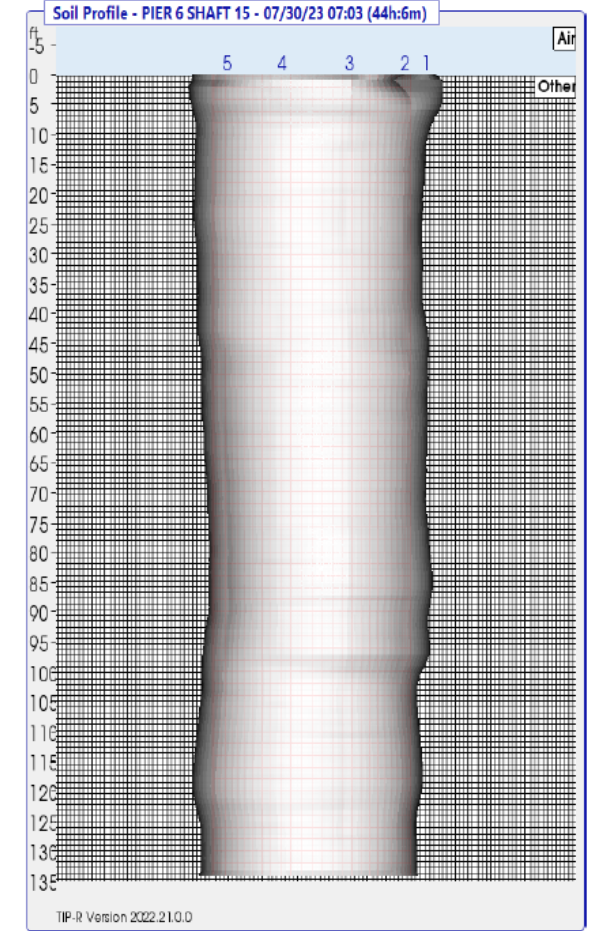
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Cage Shifting
due to
verticality

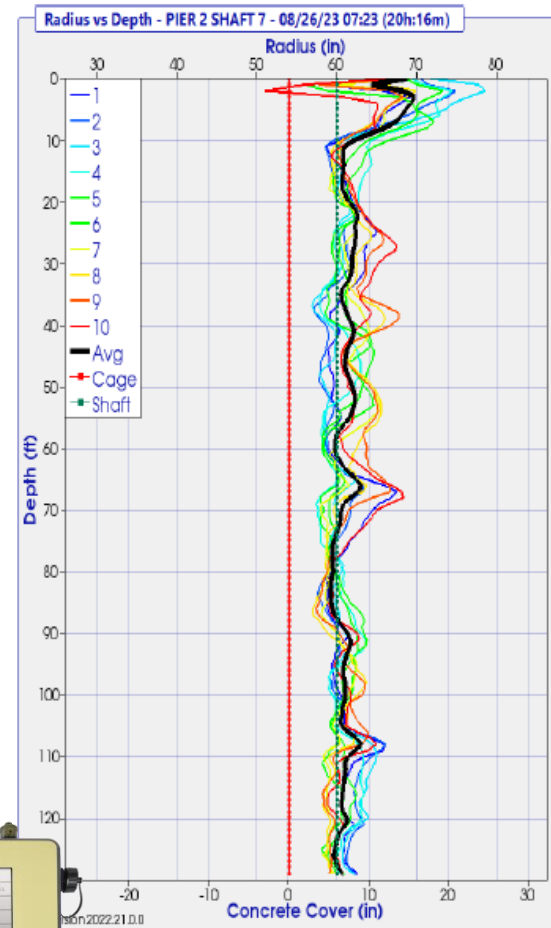
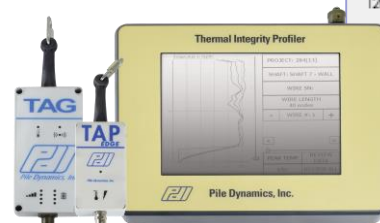
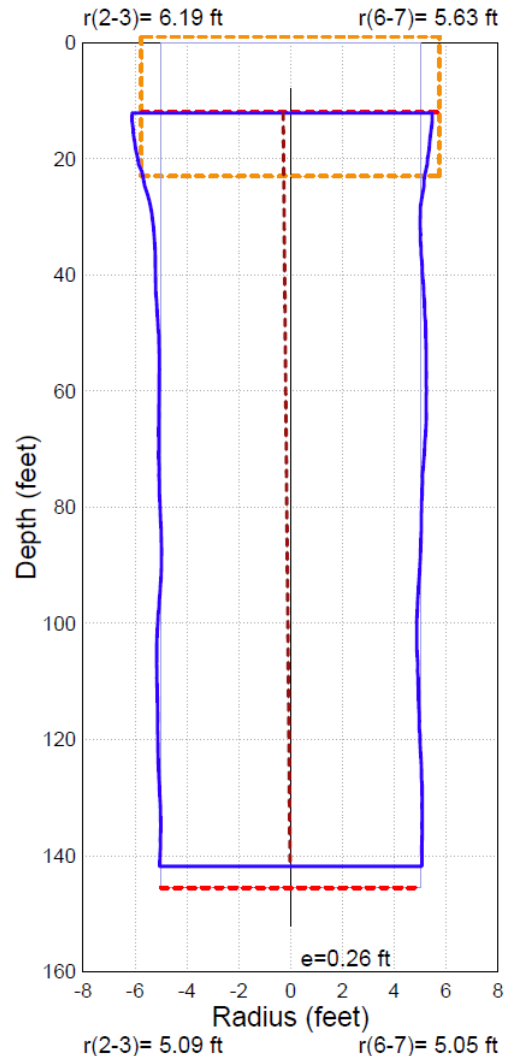


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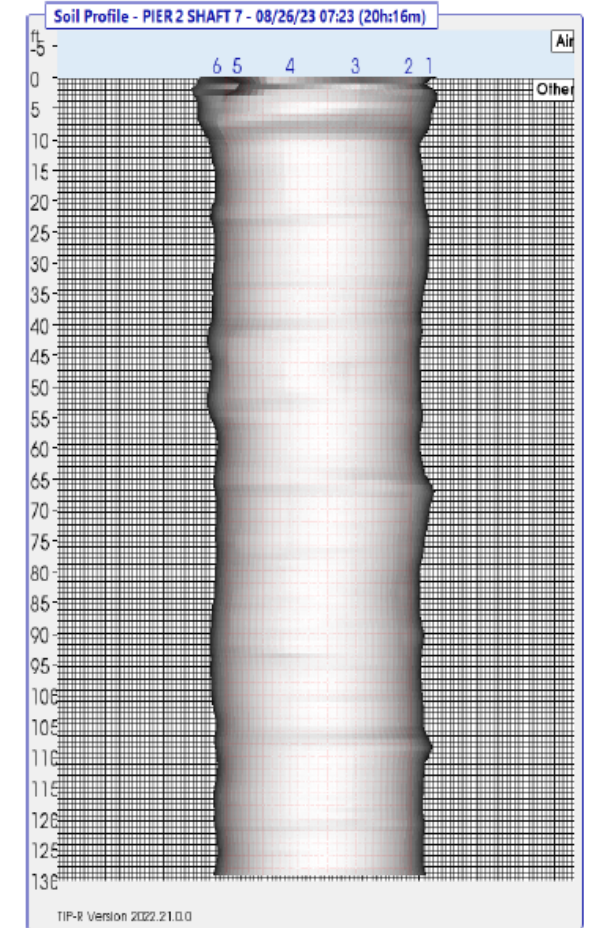


Pile Interpretation

SHAPE VS TIP - SHAFT DIAMETER



Radius vs Depth



Pile Interpretation



COMPARING TIP AND SHAPE TESTS



Clear relationship



Results within 1-1.5 inches of each other after testing 22 shafts



Combination of both tests allows easy location of an issue

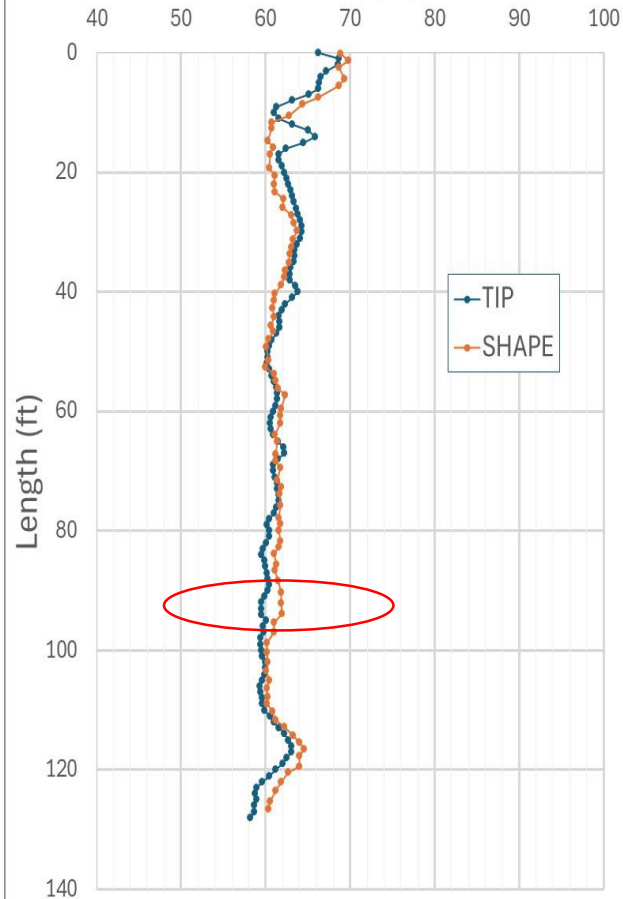


Combination helps understanding cage placement & design

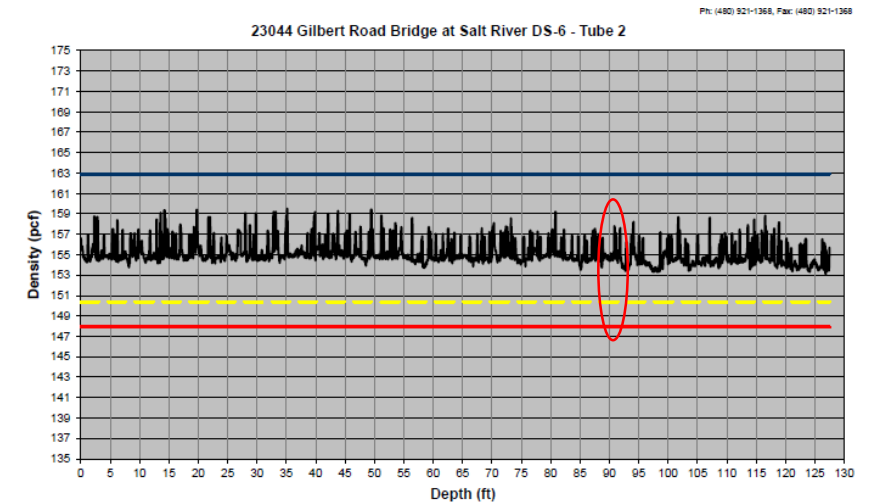
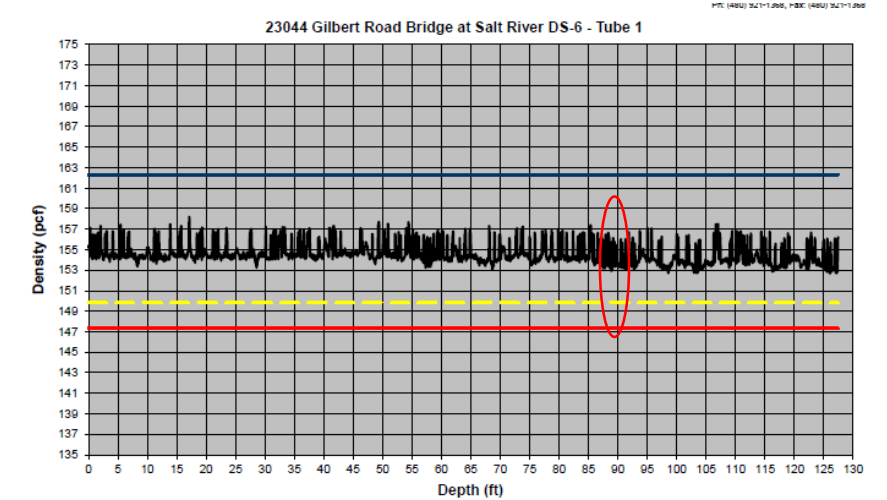
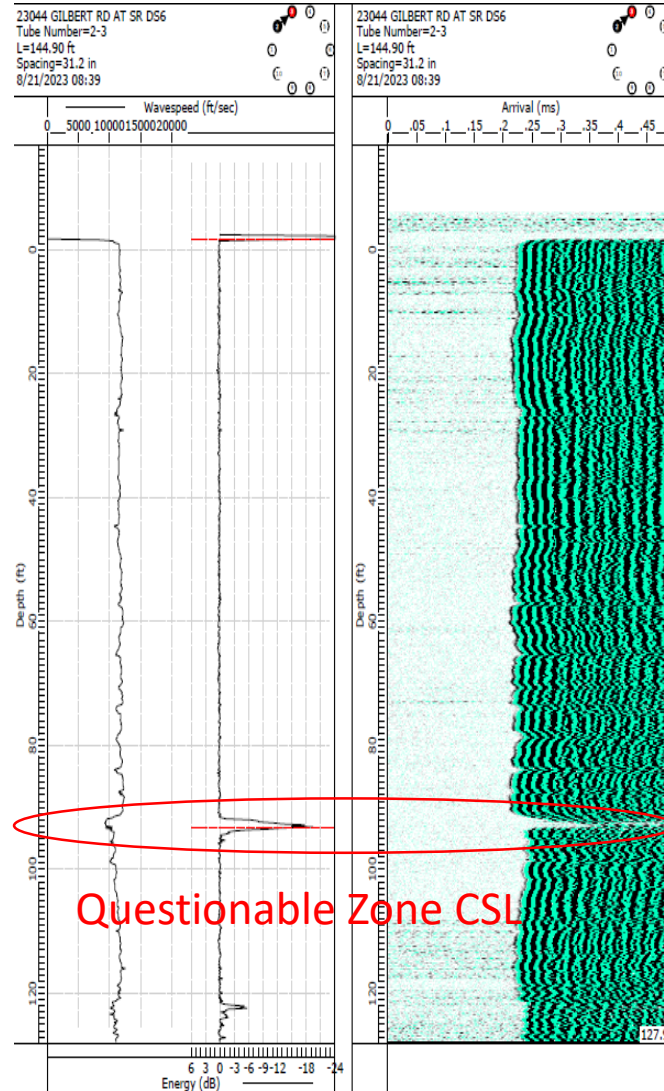
SHAPE VS TIP VS CSL VS GGL

SHAPE VS TIP

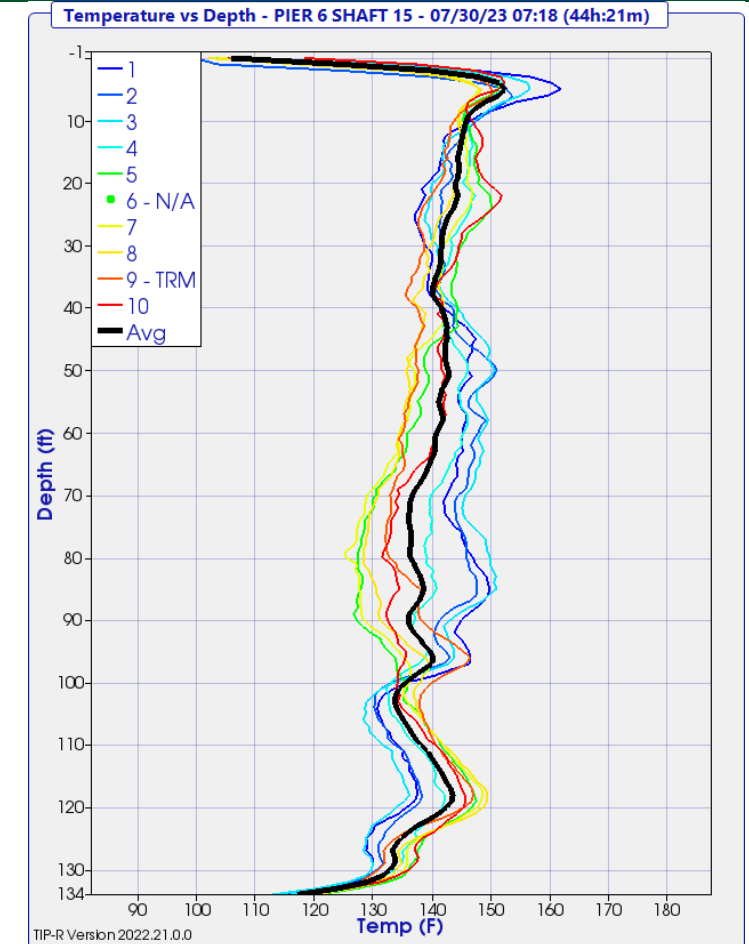
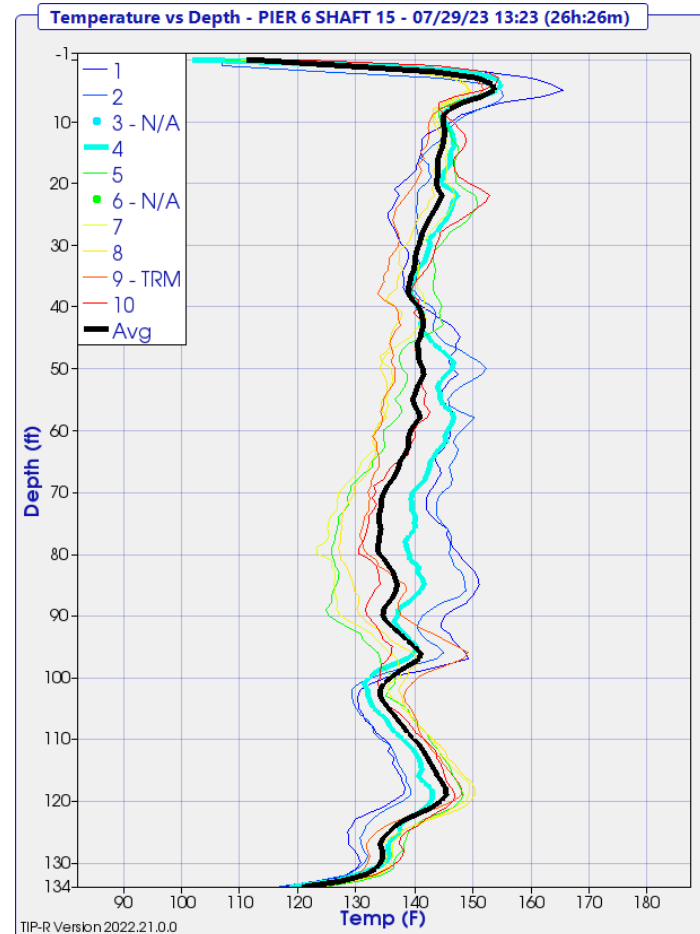
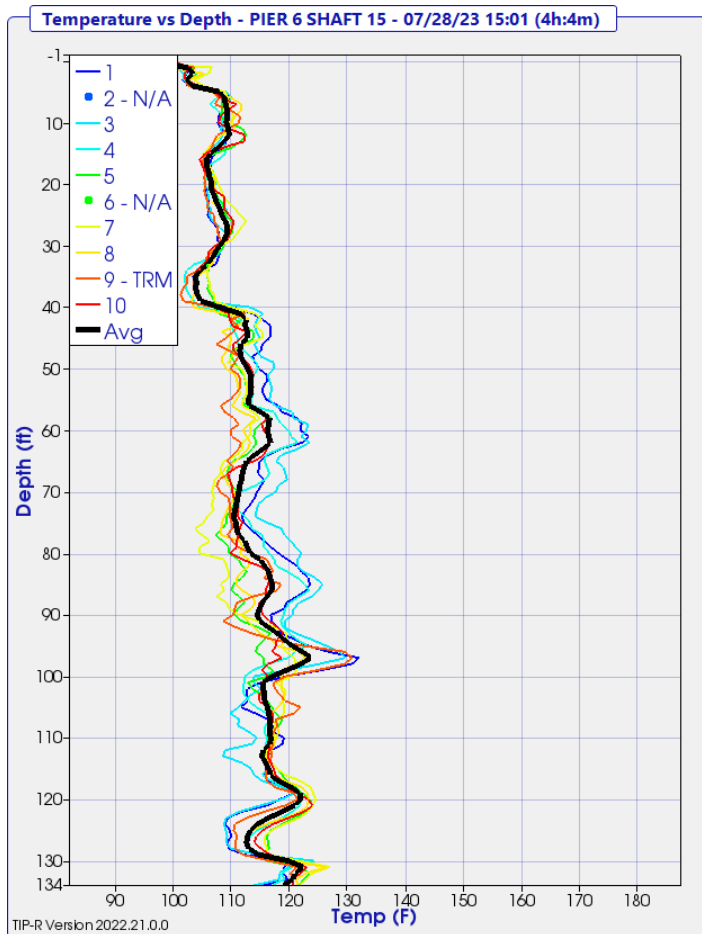
Shaft 6
Radius (in)



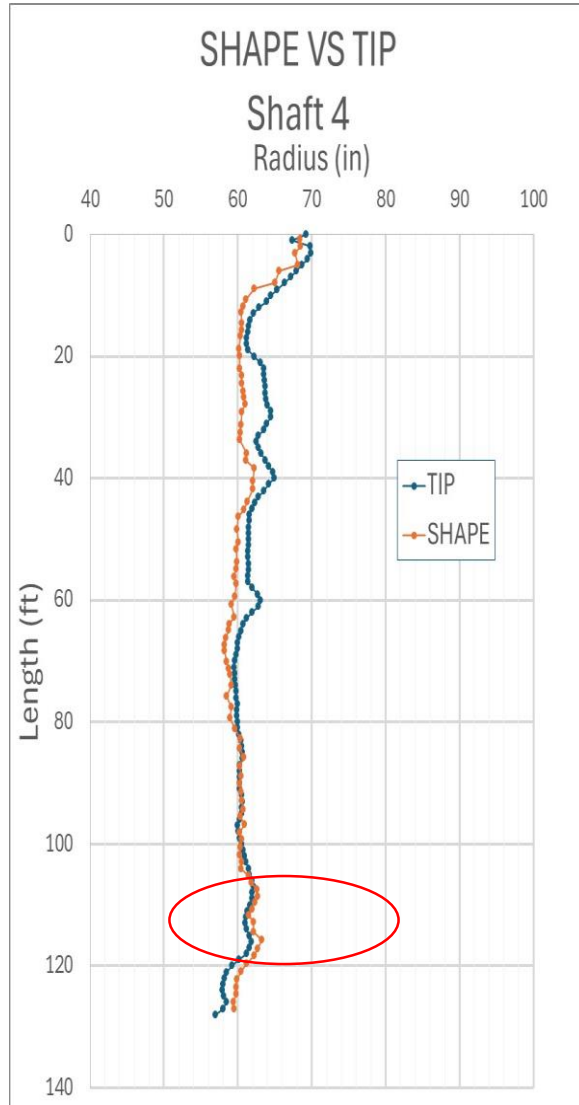
Access tubes 1, 2, 3 and 4 (wires 8, 9 and 10)
91-93 ft



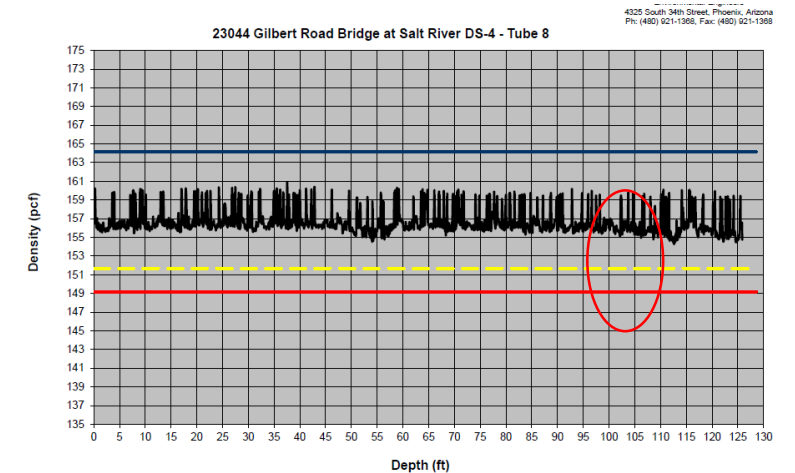
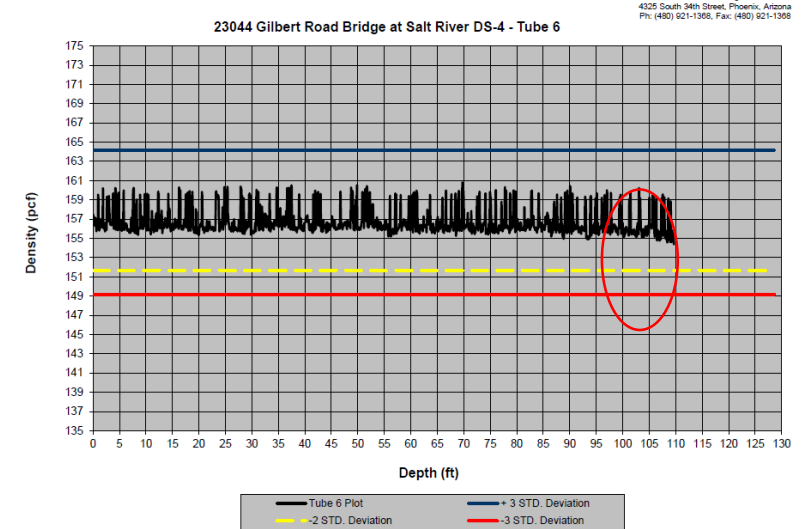
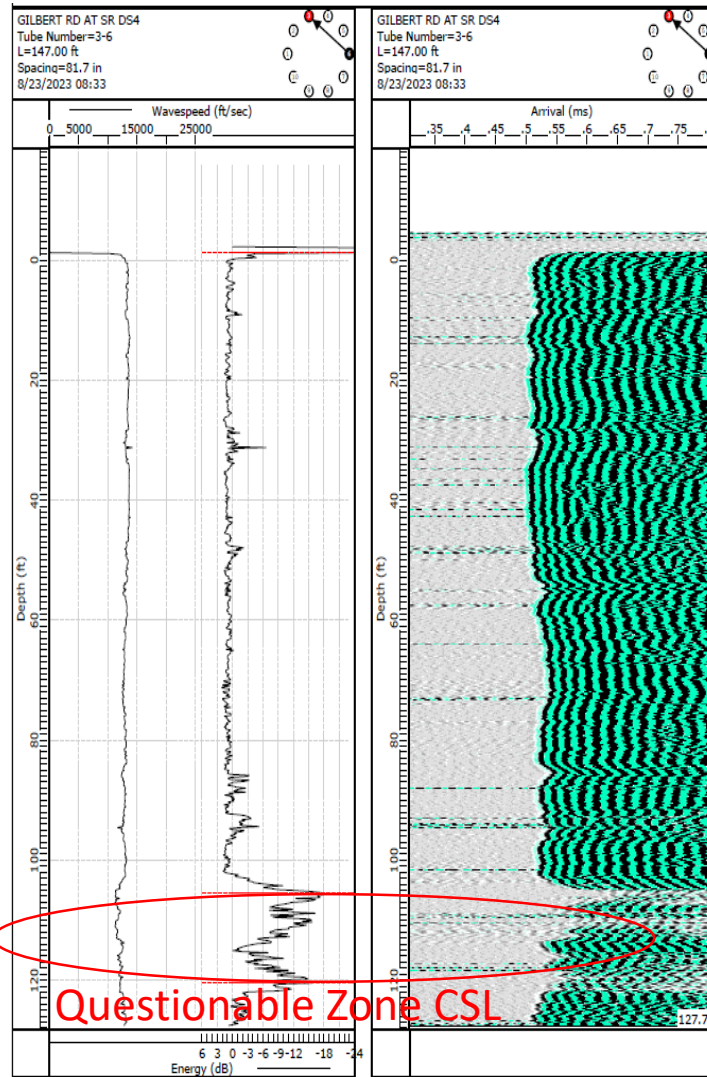
SHAPE VS TIP VS GGL



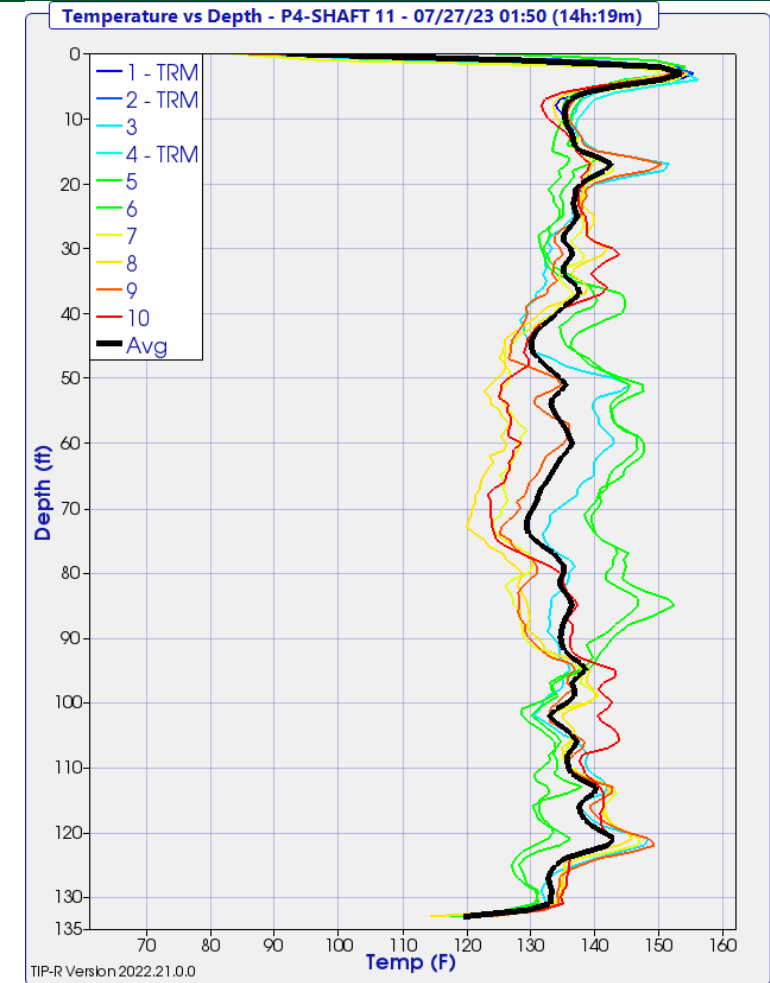
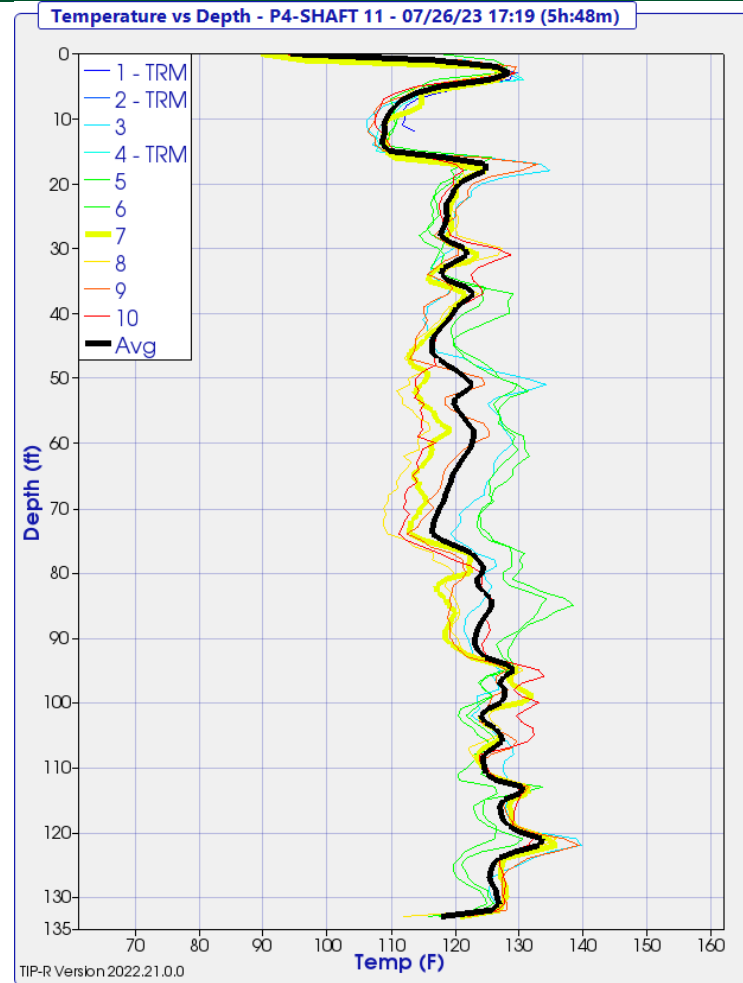
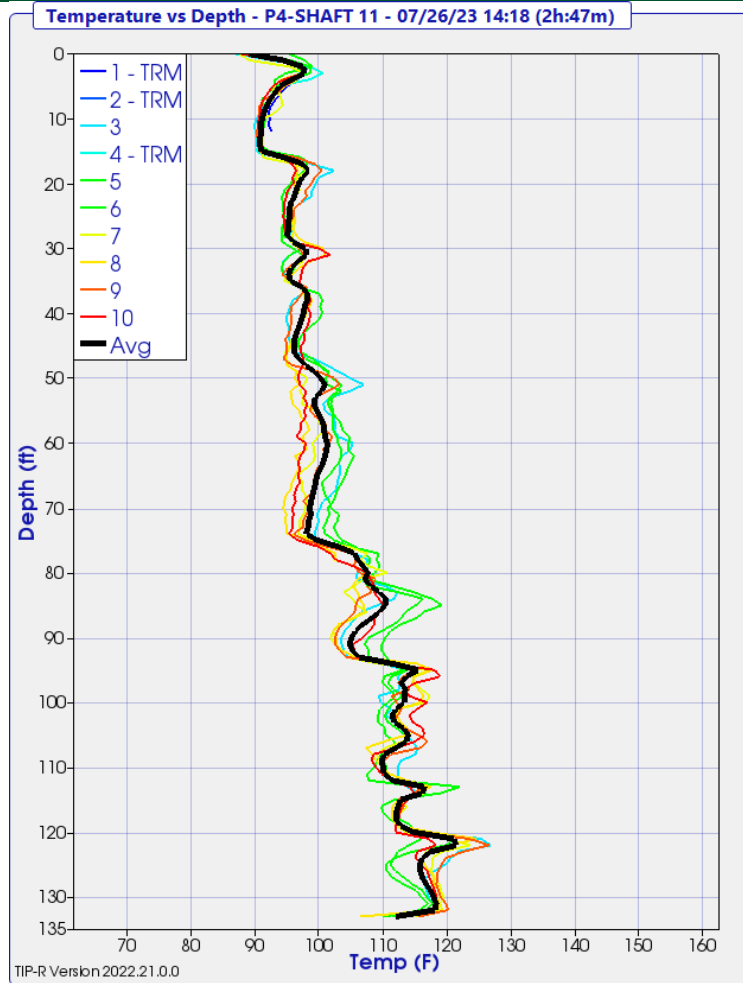
SHAPE VS TIP VS GGL



Access tubes 6, 7 and 8 (wires 7, 8 and 9)
110-120 ft



SHAPE VS TIP VS GGL



COMPARING DIFFERENT TESTS



Why is CSL showing issues while TIP and GGL are not



Debonding is clearly an issue.
Does it explain all questionable zones?



Should we test with CSL on PVC access tubes?



Questions / Comments?