

Appendix 3. Final Grand Ditch Report (2009-2010 task agreement). Rocky Mountain National Park, CO. Covey Potter and Dr. David Cooper.

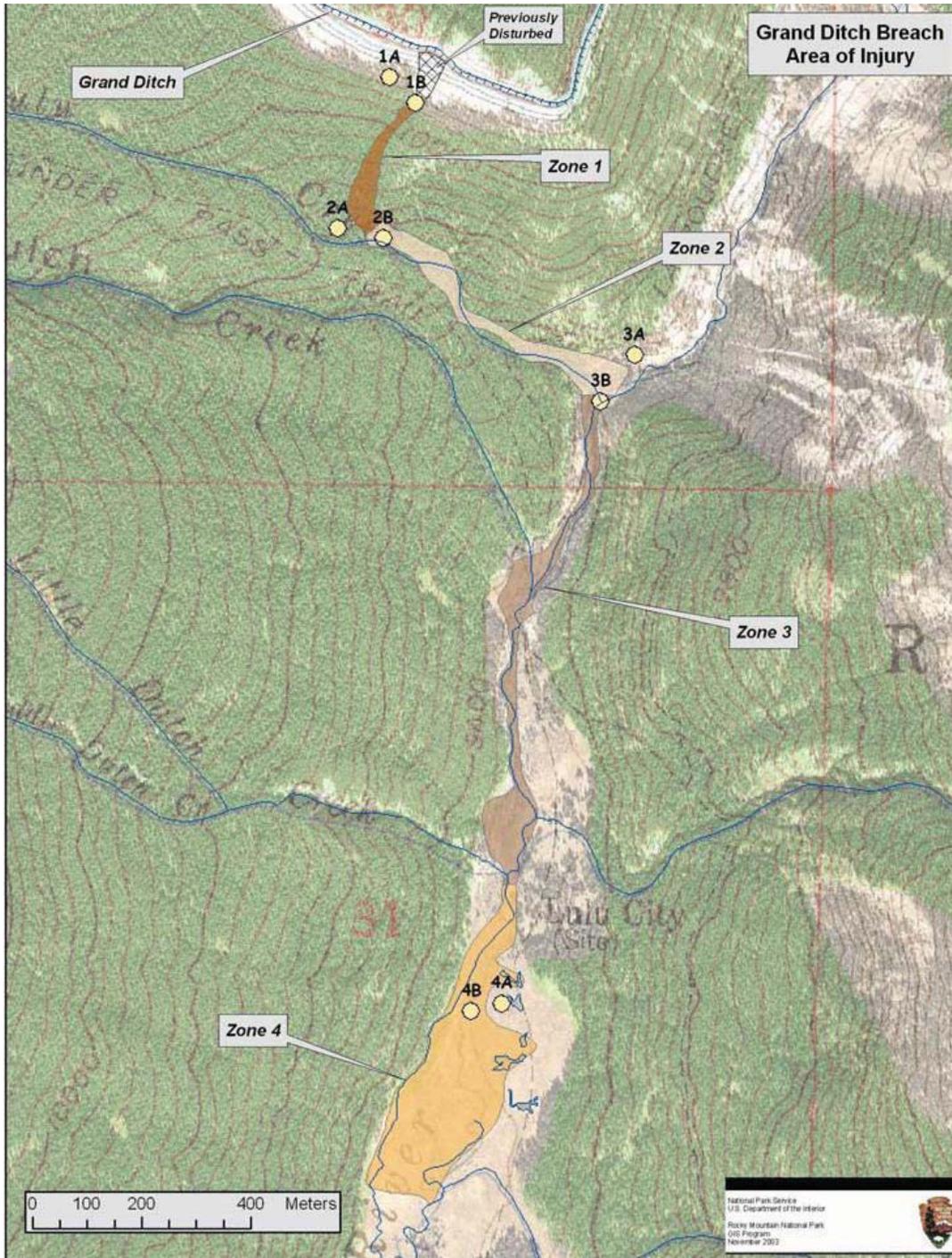


Figure 1: Areas of injury from the 2003 Grand Ditch Breach. Figure shows zones of impact. From Cooper Expert Report 2008.



Figure 2: Photo of Shipler Park onsite reference site. Demonstrating groundwater well and staff gage placement for water table monitoring.

Reference Site	Well	X	Y	Notes
Shilpler Park	540	427738	4475405	Well
	541	427745	4475417	Well
	542	427722	4475417	Well
	543	427718	4475416	Well
	544	427735	4475421	Well
	545r	427733	4475399	Rebar Gage
	546	427717	4475408	Well
	547	427716	4475402	Well
	548	427716	4475393	Well
	Lost Creek	520	427753	4474494
521		427746	4474508	Well
522r		427748	4474483	Rebar Gage
523		427751	4474558	Well
524		427745	4474568	Well
525		427741	4474573	Well
526		427738	4474586	Well
527		427760	4474624	Well
528		427766	4474620	Well
529		427778	4474626	Well
530r		427772	4474626	Rebar Gage
531		427737	4474570	Well
532		427772	4474641	Well
533		427728	4474547	Well
534		427731	4474568	Well
535		427736	4474561	Well
Sawmill Creek		560	427936	4478462
	561	427930	4478467	Well
	562	427925	4478436	Well
	563	427936	4478452	Well
	564	427949	4478436	Well
	565	427936	4478421	Well
	Beaver Creek Confluence	511	427862	4471777
512		427880	4471754	Well
513		427864	4471743	Well
514		427897	4471722	Well
515		427930	4471666	Well
516		427799	4471749	Well
517		427788	4471752	Well

Table 1: Reference site groundwater monitoring well and gage locations. Rocky Mountain National Park, CO

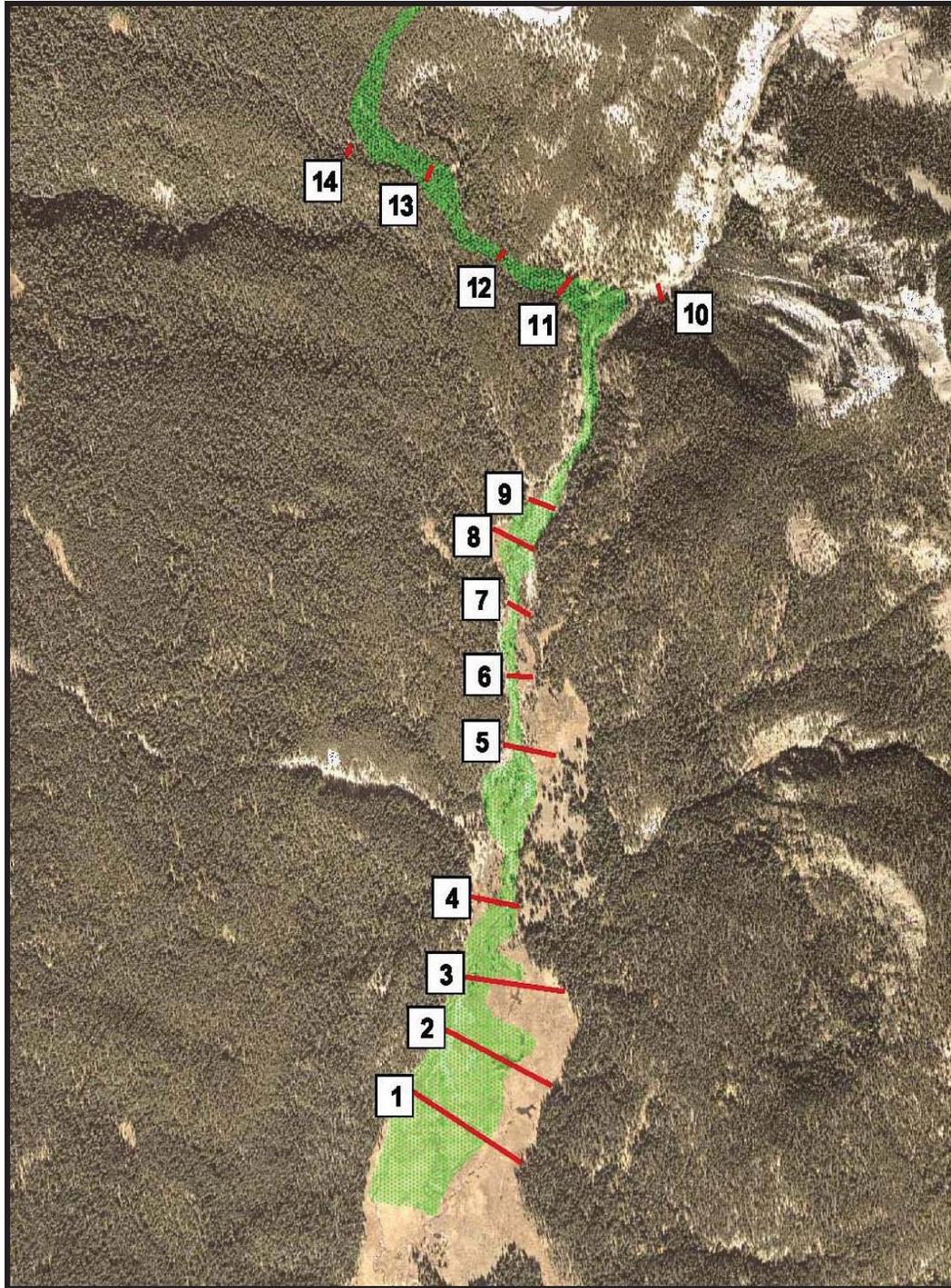


Figure 3. Groundwater monitoring well transects along the affected reaches of Lulu Creek and the Colorado River. Rocky Mountain National Park, CO. Installed 2003 and 2004 (Gage 2005).

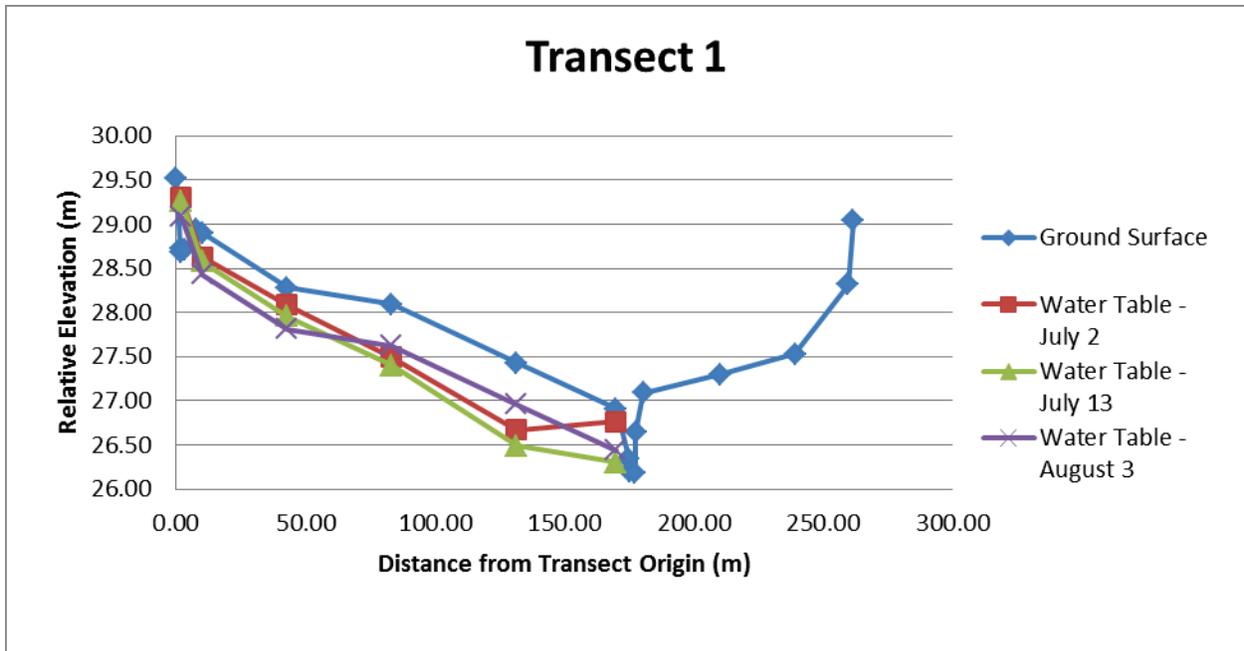


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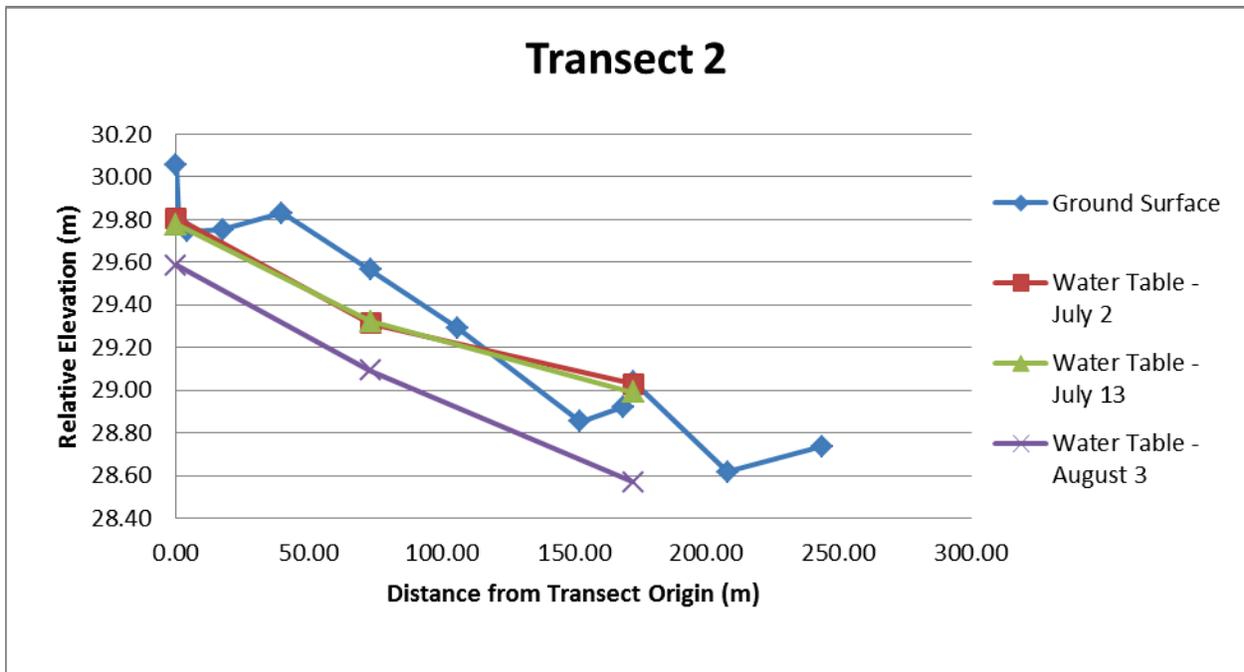


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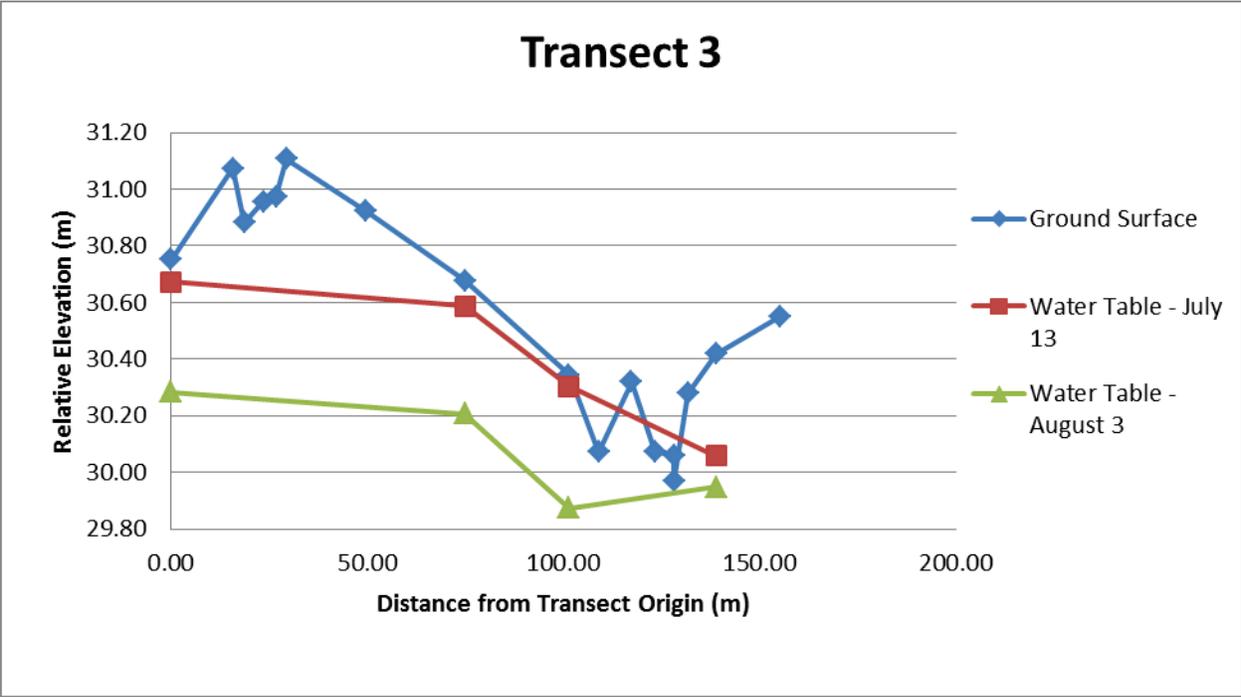


Figure 6. 2-dimensional cross section of transect 3 shown in Figure 1. This cross section describes a somewhat stable ground surface combined with monthly variations in 2009 depth to groundwater collected from the groundwater monitoring wells.

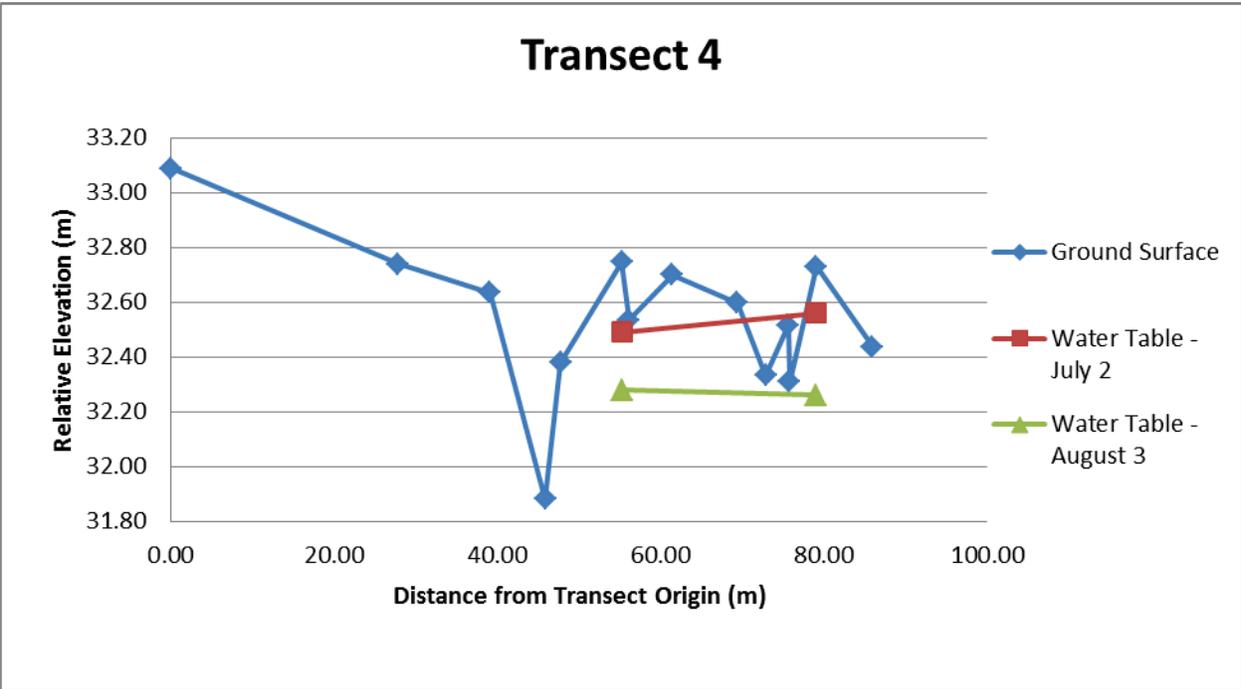


Figure 7. 2-dimensional cross section of transect 4 shown in Figure 1. This cross section describes a somewhat stable ground surface combined with monthly variations in 2009 depth to groundwater collected from the groundwater monitoring wells.

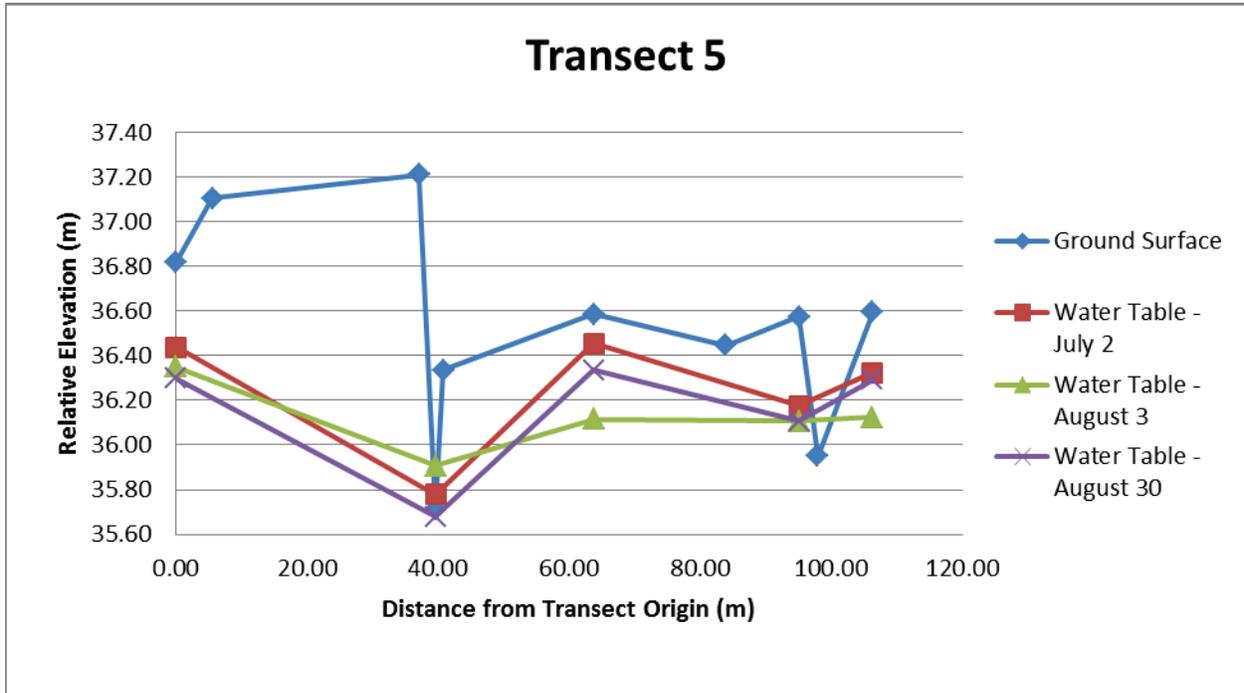


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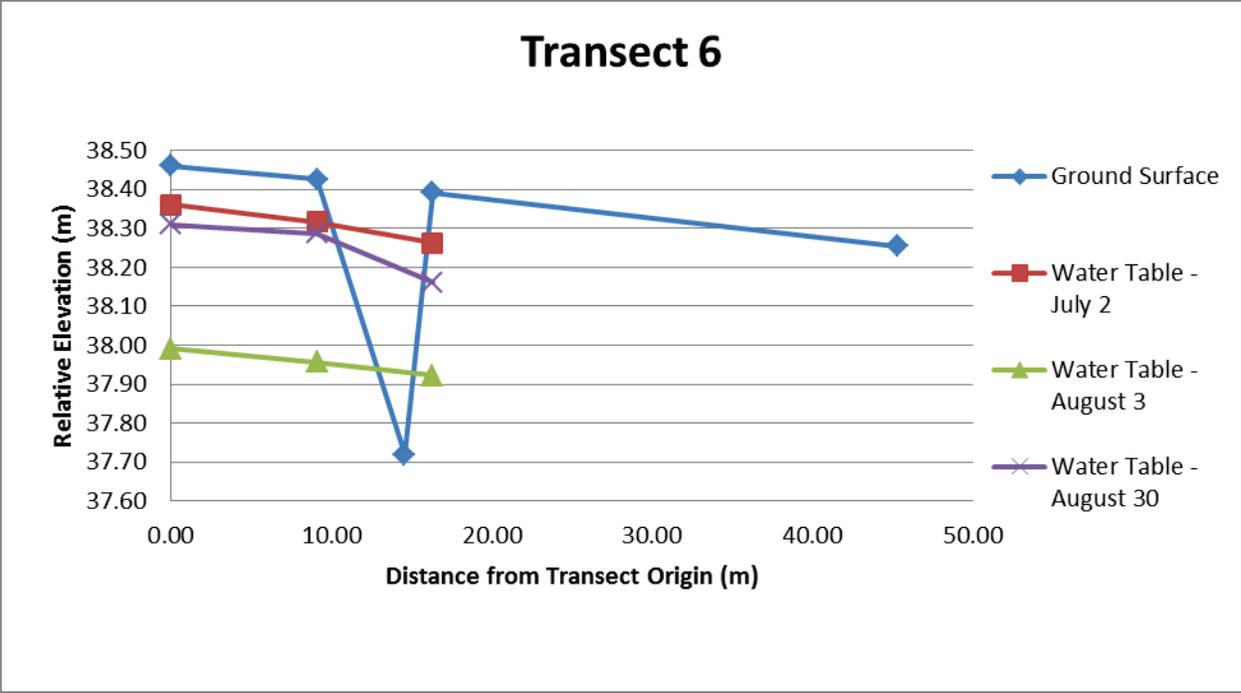


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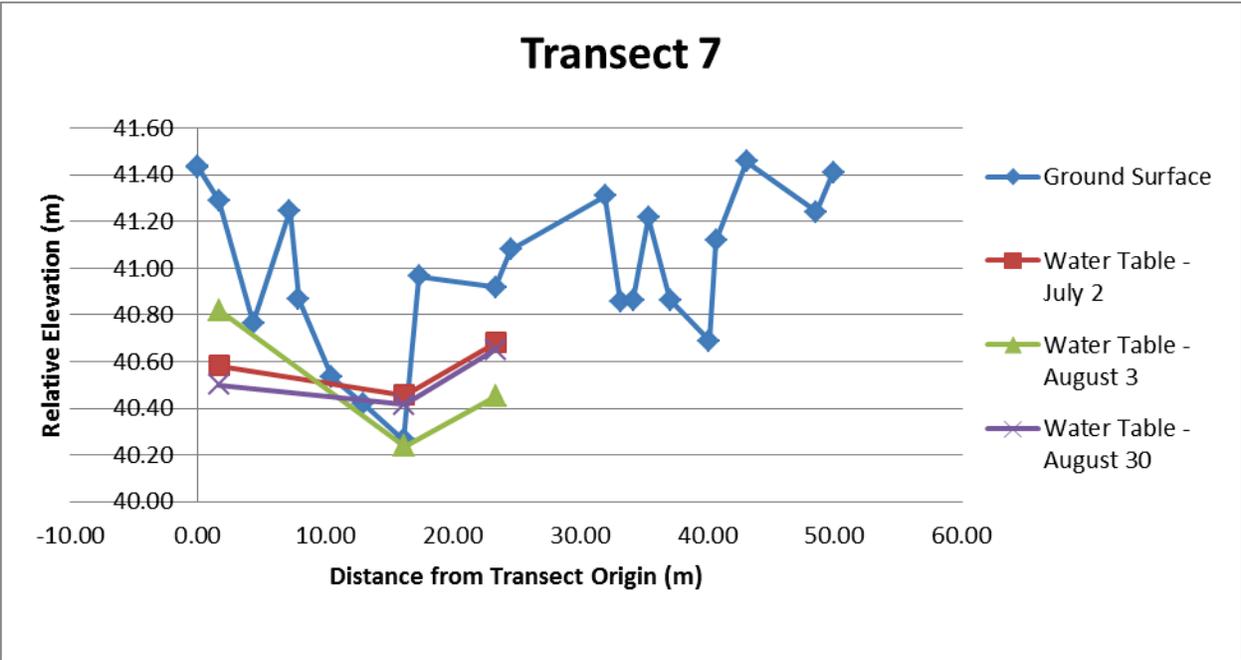


Figure 10. 2-dimensional cross section of transect 7 shown in Figure 1. This cross section describes a somewhat stable ground surface combined with monthly variations in 2009 depth to groundwater collected from the groundwater monitoring wells.

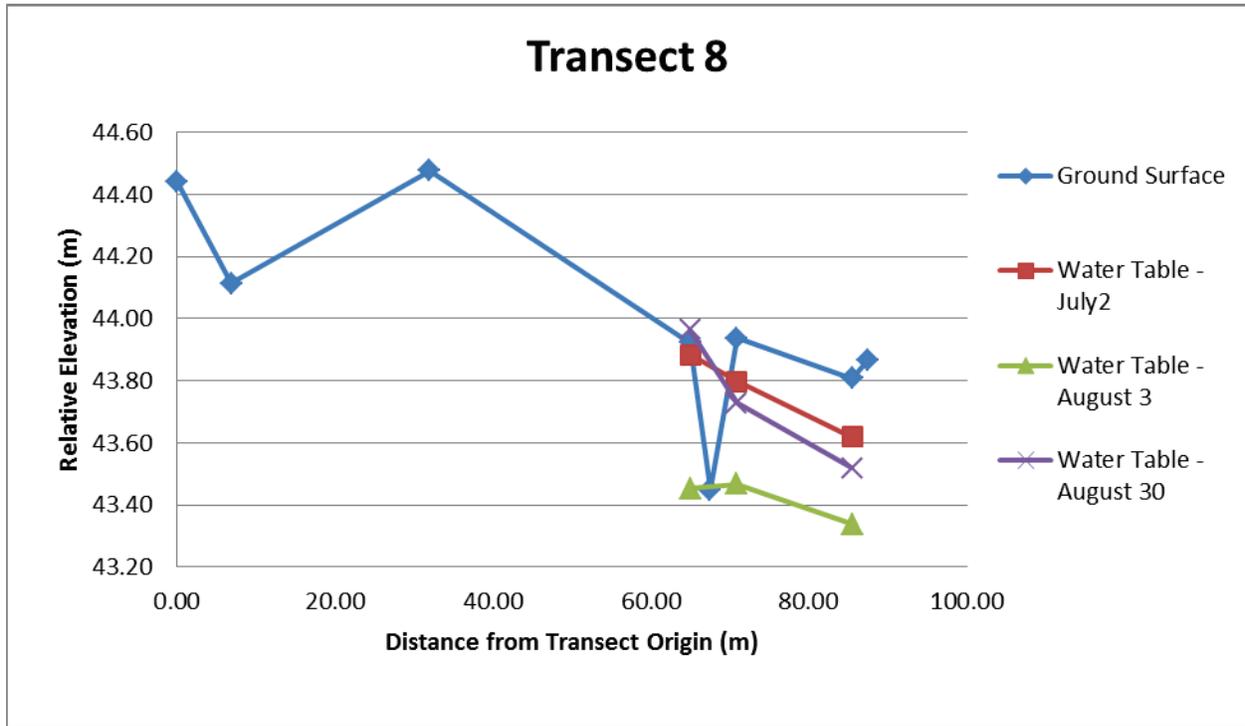


Figure 11. 2-dimensional cross section of transect 8 shown in Figure 1. This cross section describes a somewhat stable ground surface combined with monthly variations in 2009 depth to groundwater collected from the groundwater monitoring wells.

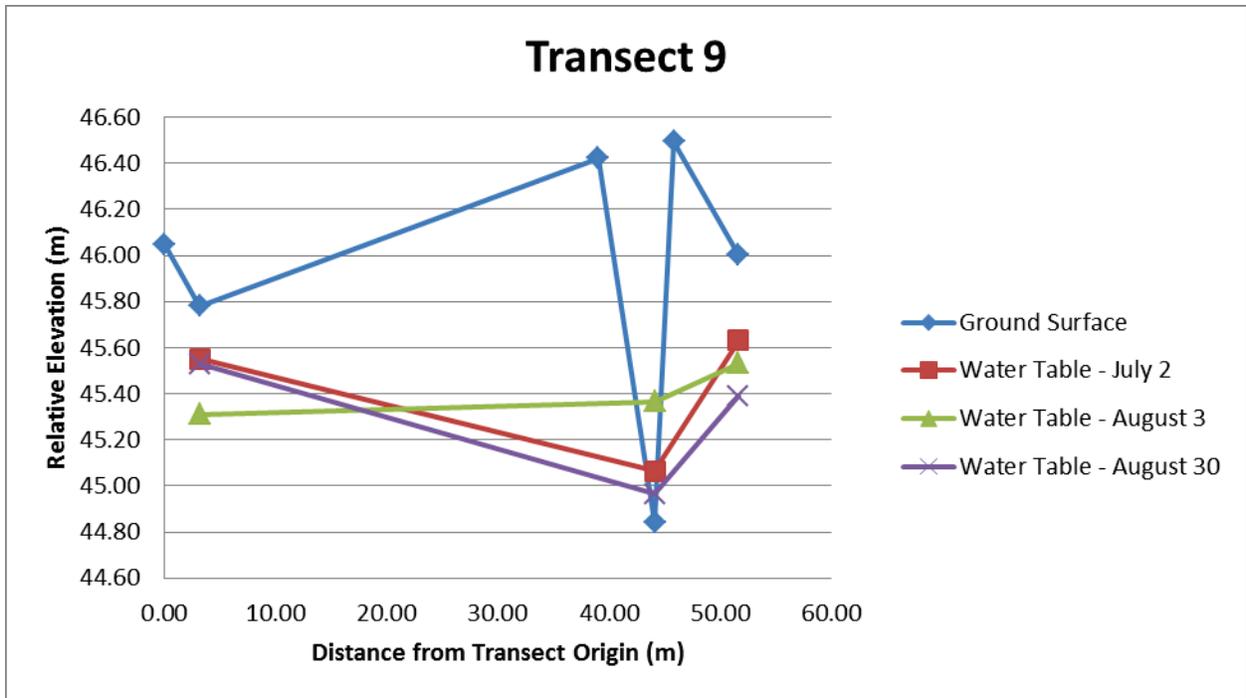


Figure 12. 2-dimensional cross section of transect 9 shown in Figure 1. This cross section describes a somewhat stable ground surface combined with monthly variations in 2009 depth to groundwater collected from the groundwater monitoring wells.

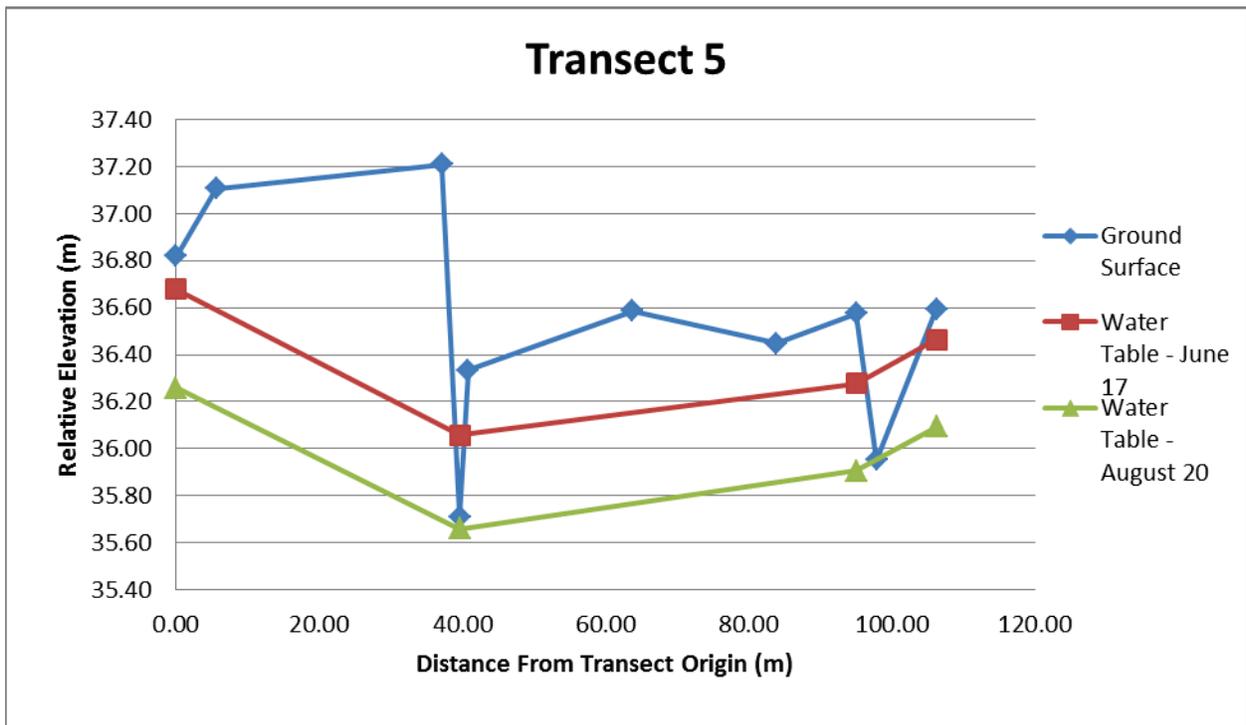
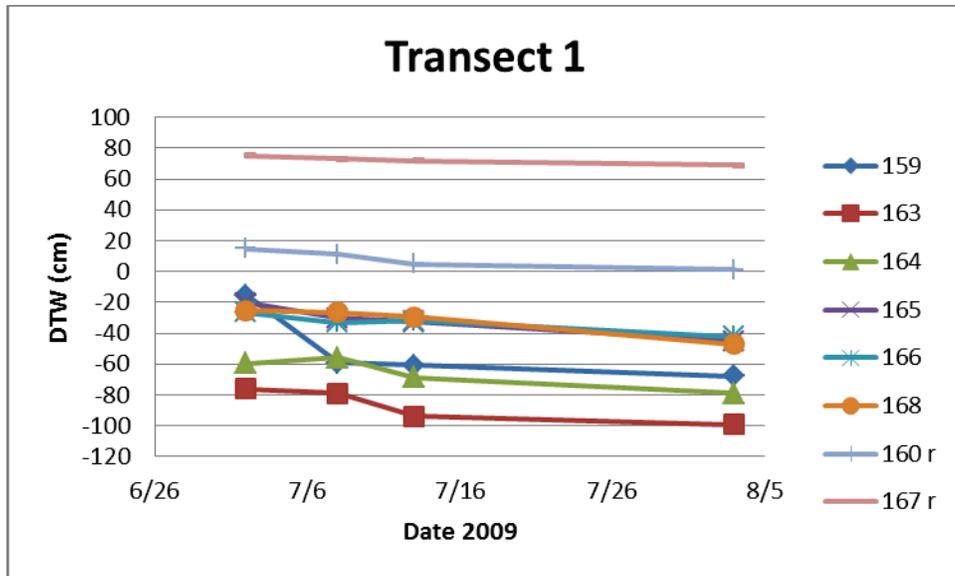


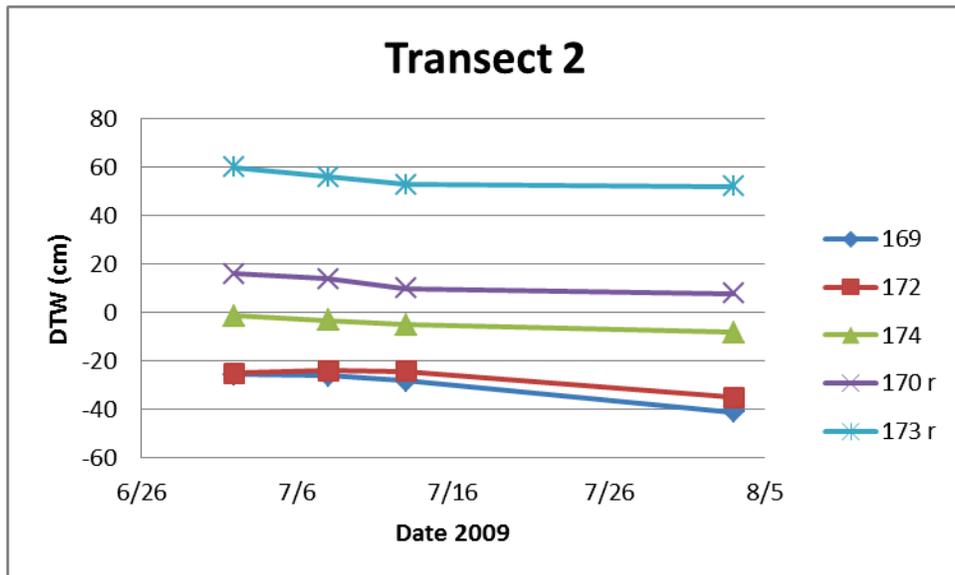
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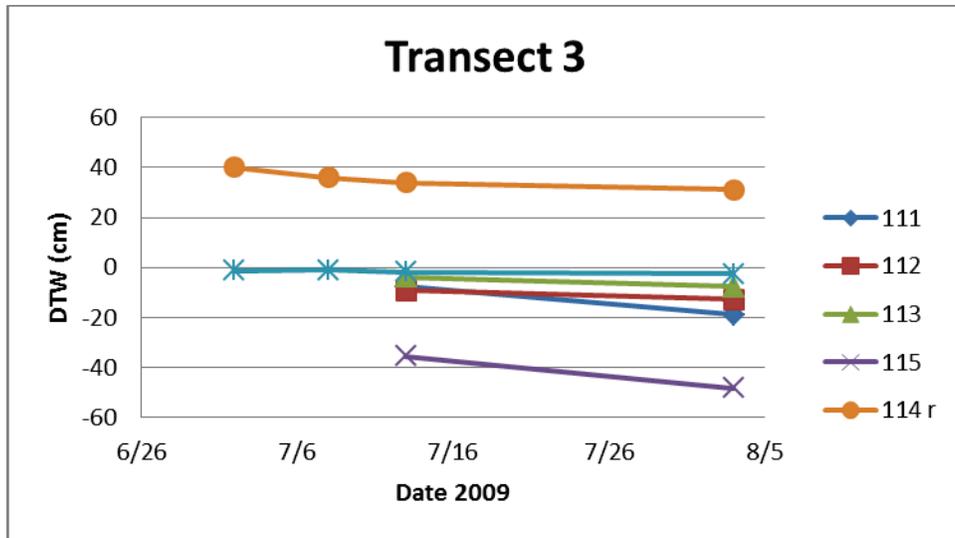
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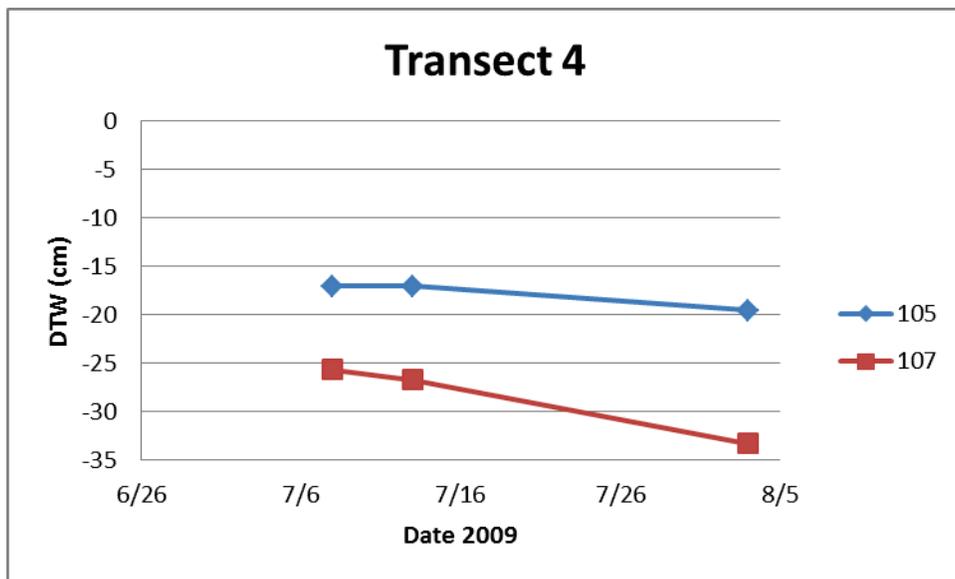
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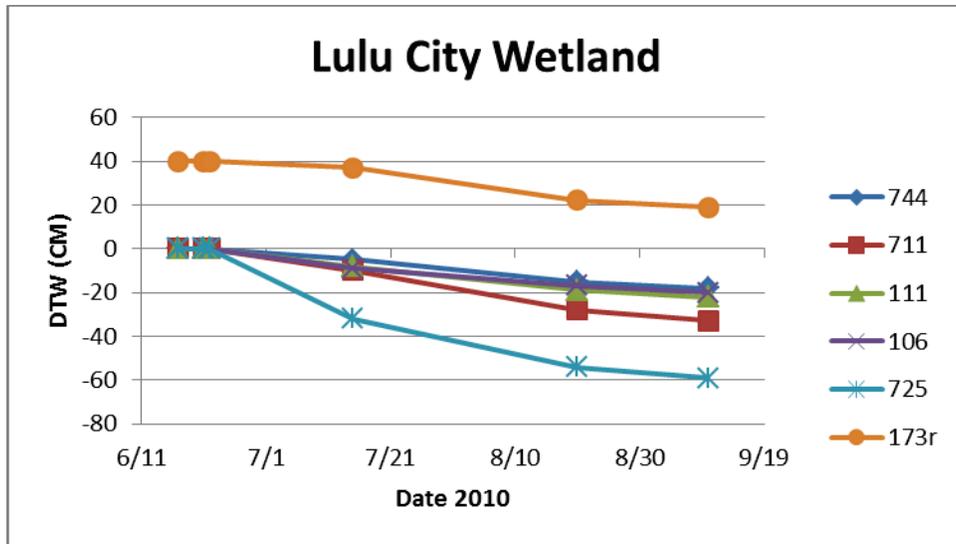


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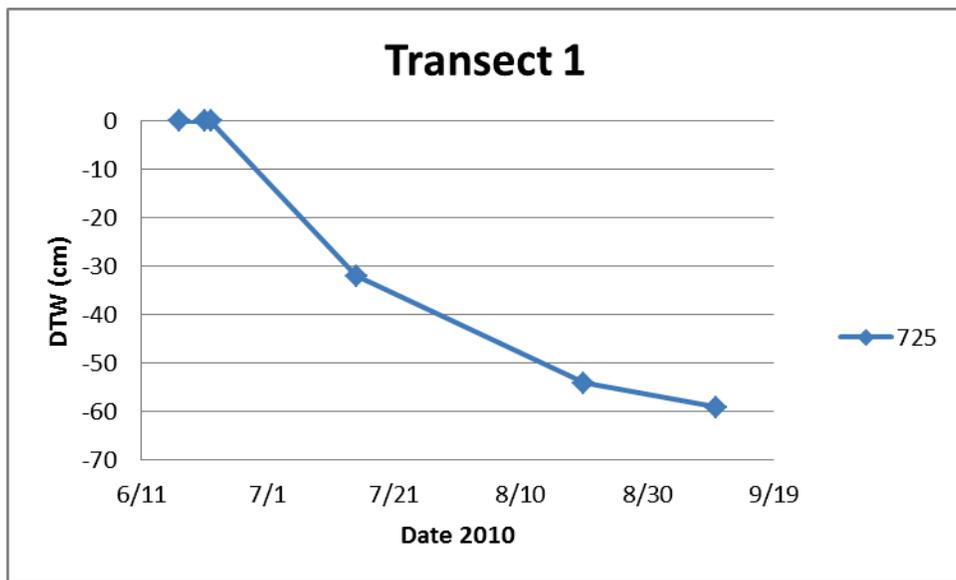


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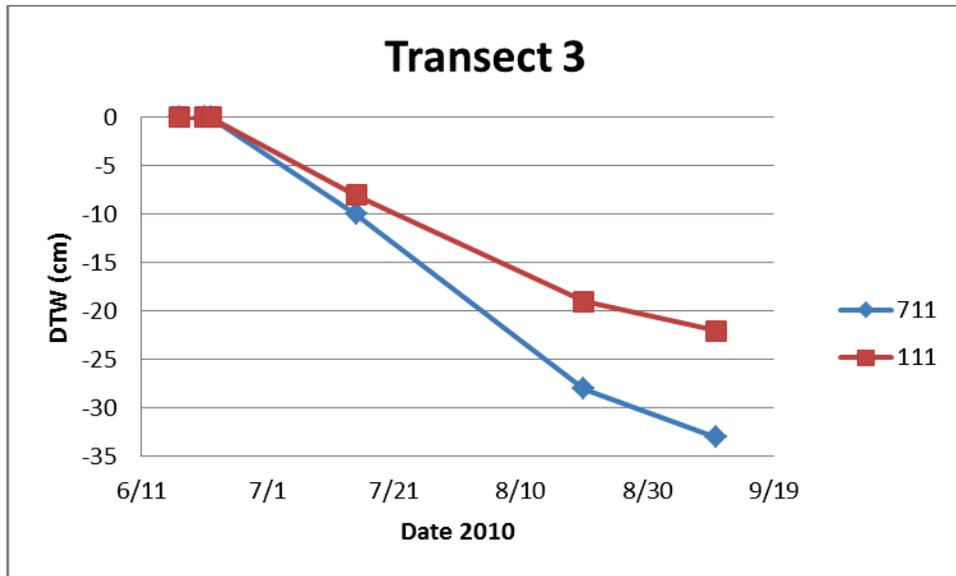


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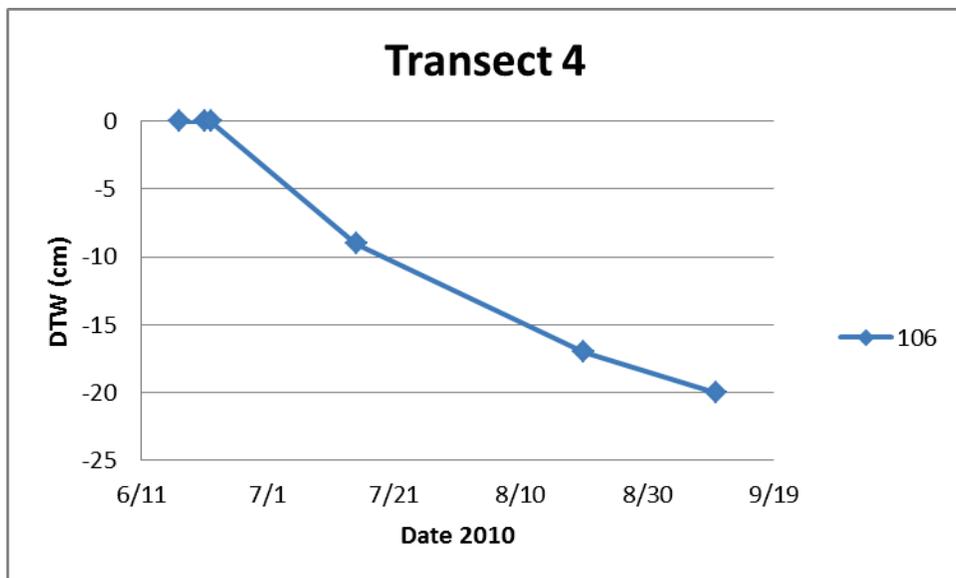
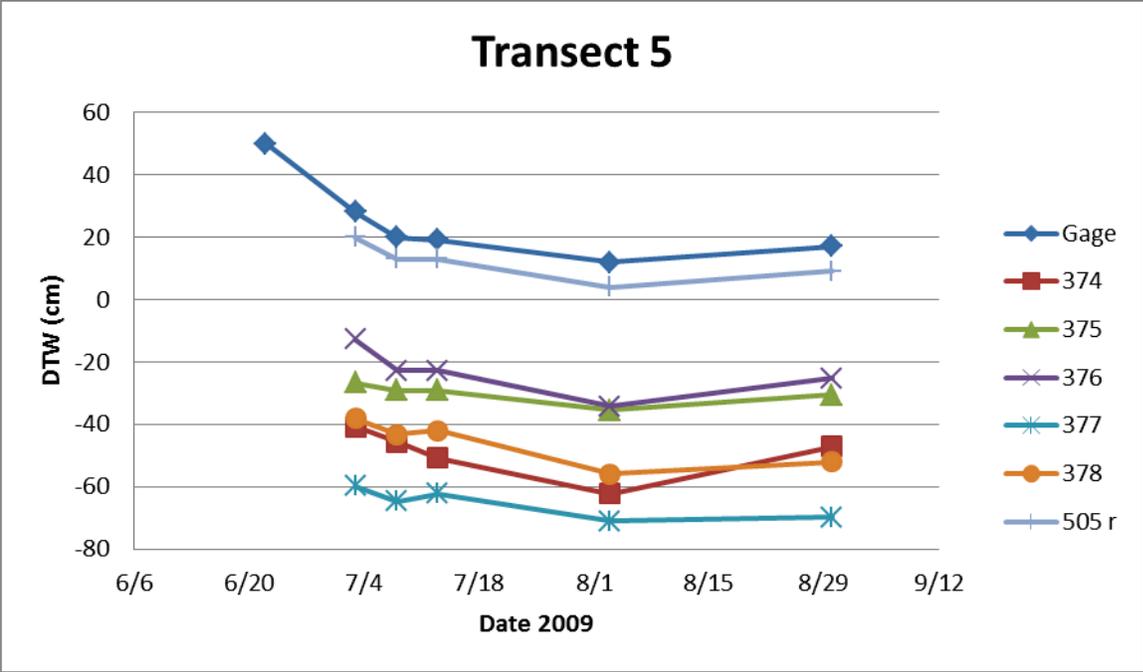
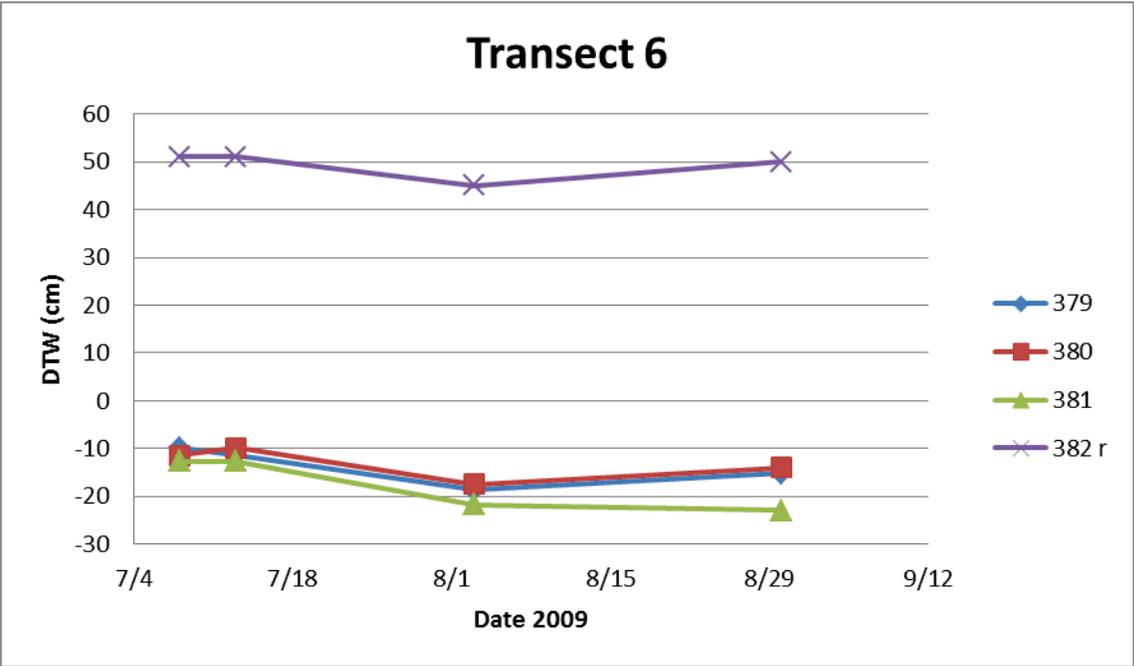


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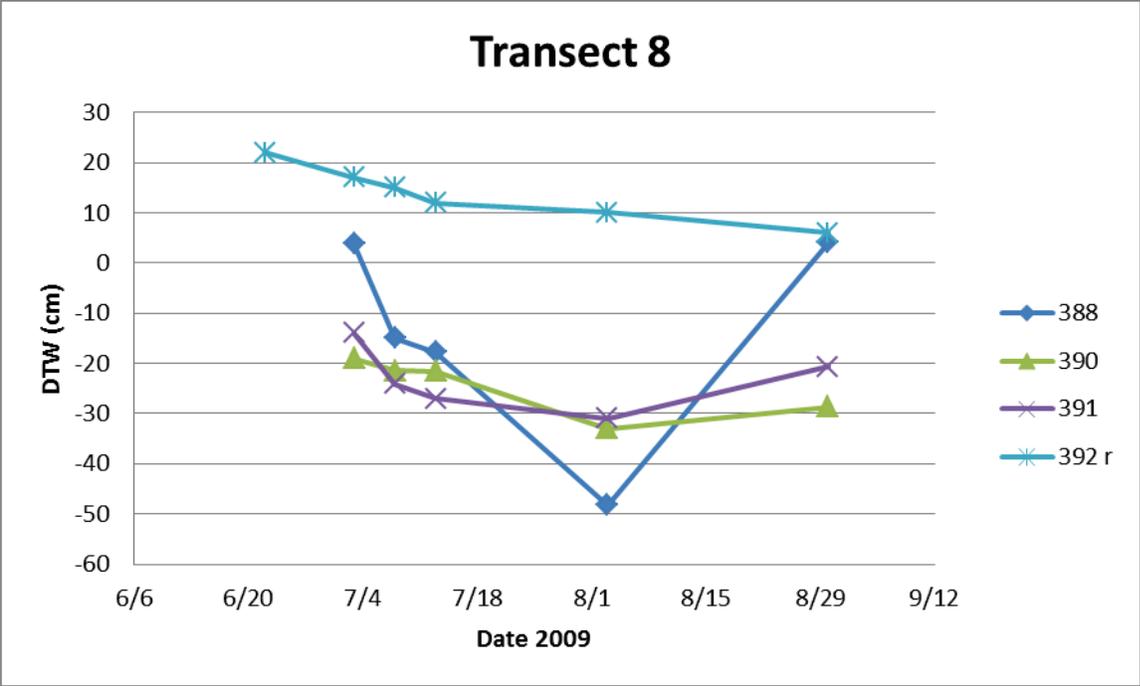
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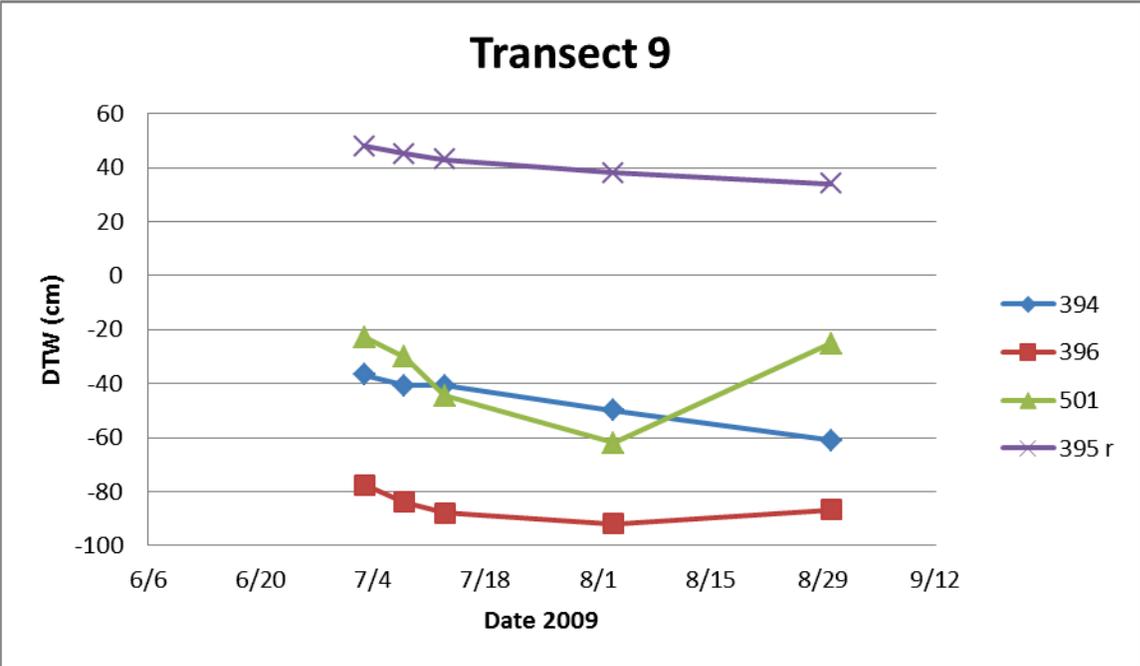
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Figures 26. Depth to water table hydrographs for the 2009 season in Zone 3 along transect 8. This hydrograph describes a steadily lowering water table as the season progresses until an interestingly uniform increase in water table at the end of August. This increase is likely due to increased precipitation from the summer monsoon and late season ditch releases.



Figures 27. Depth to water table hydrographs for the 2009 season in Zone 3 along transect 9. This hydrograph describes a steadily lowering water table as the season progresses until an interestingly uniform increase in water table at the end of August. This increase is likely due to increased precipitation from the summer monsoon and late season ditch releases.

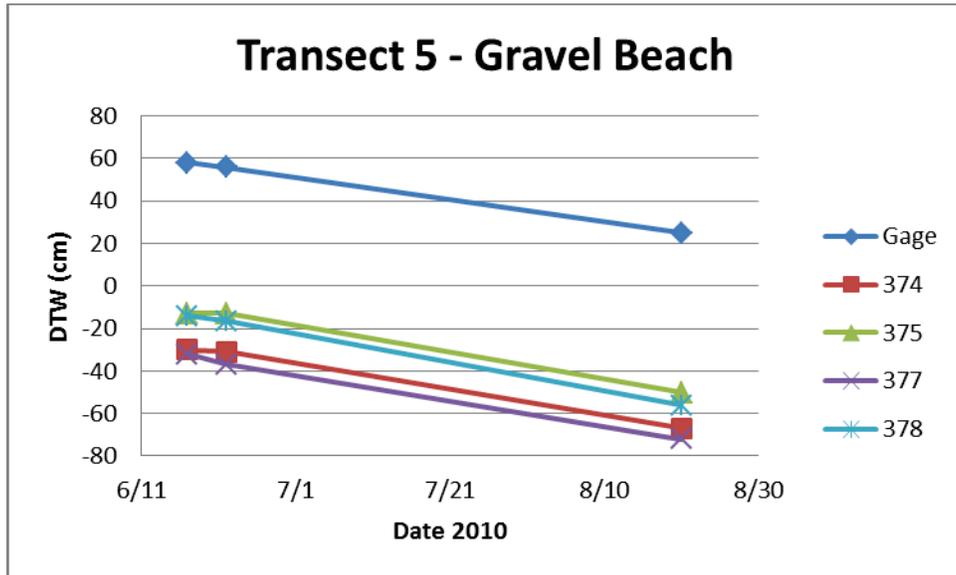


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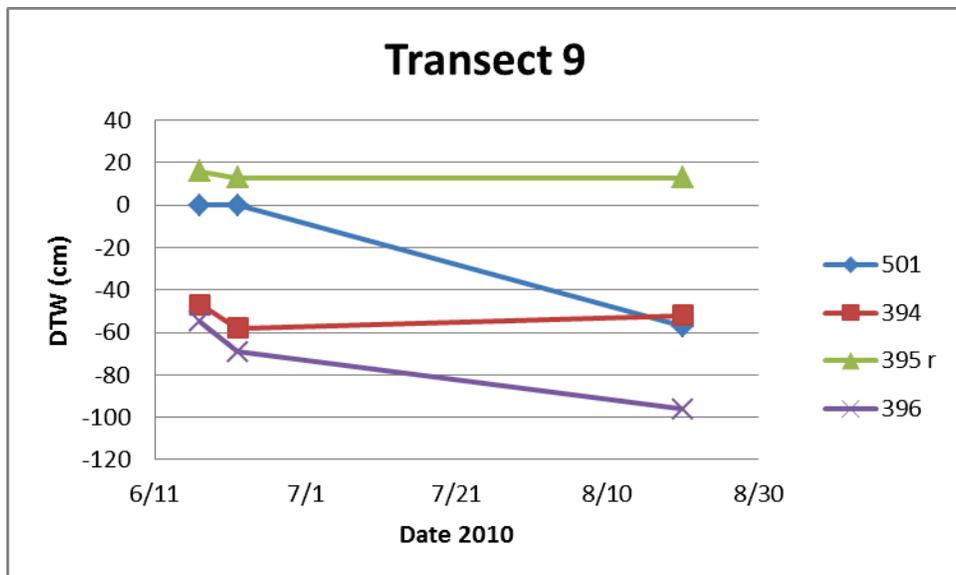


Figure 29. Depth to water table hydrographs for the 2010 season in Zone 3 along transects 9. This hydrograph describes a steadily lowering water table as the season progresses except for well 394 that is likely groundwater fed and not affected by the seasonal decline in Colorado River stage.



Figure 30: Excavating sediment pits in the Lulu City Wetland. September 2009.



Figure 31: Stratigraphic interpretations of the sediment pits revealed multiple debris events with variable particle size and buried vegetation layers.

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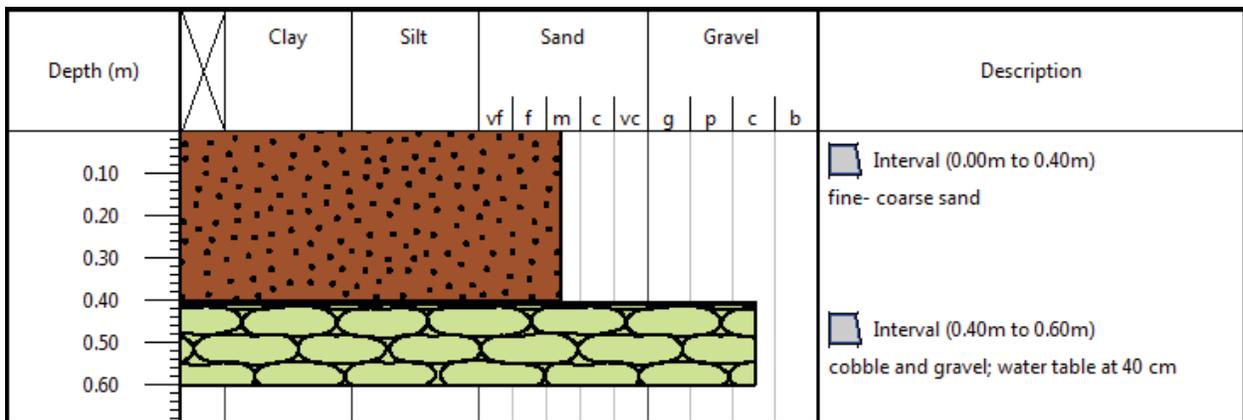


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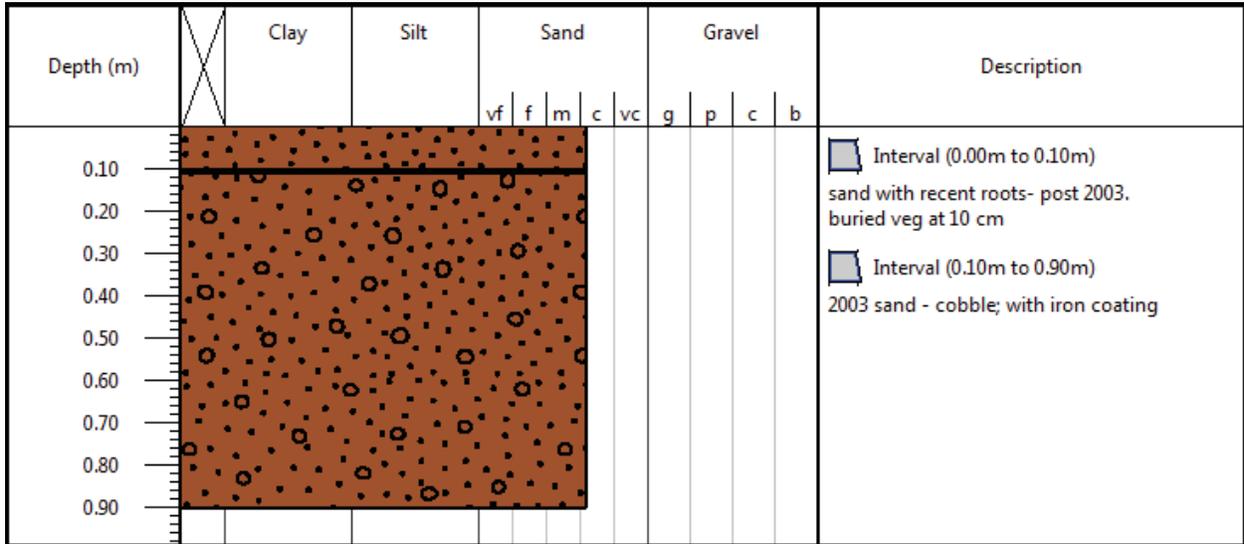


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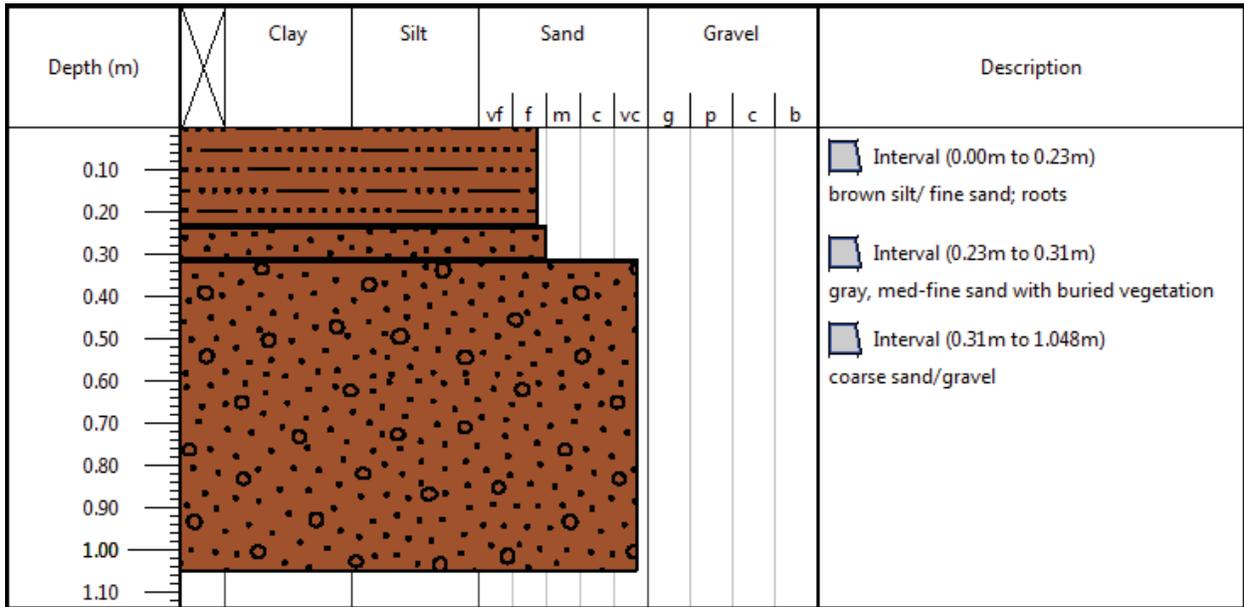


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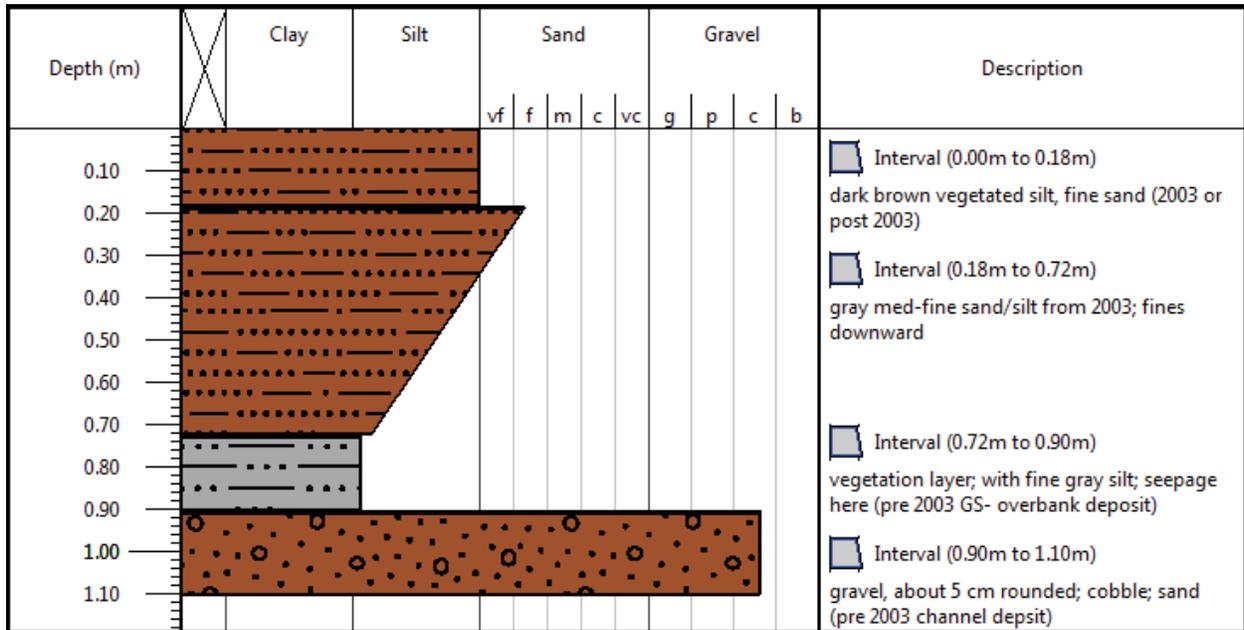


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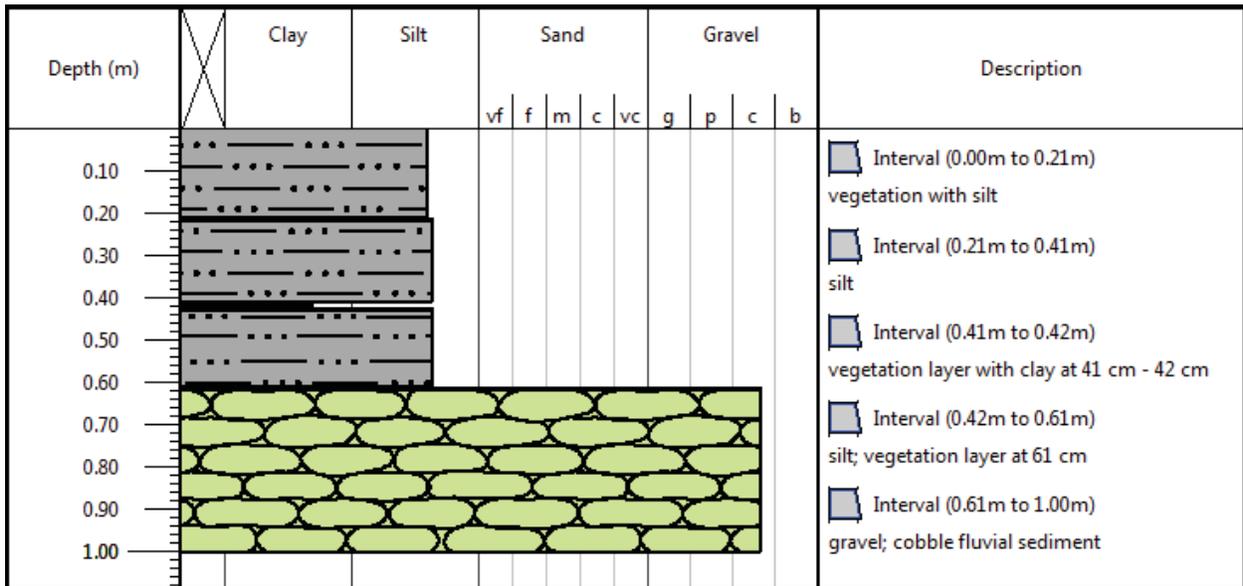


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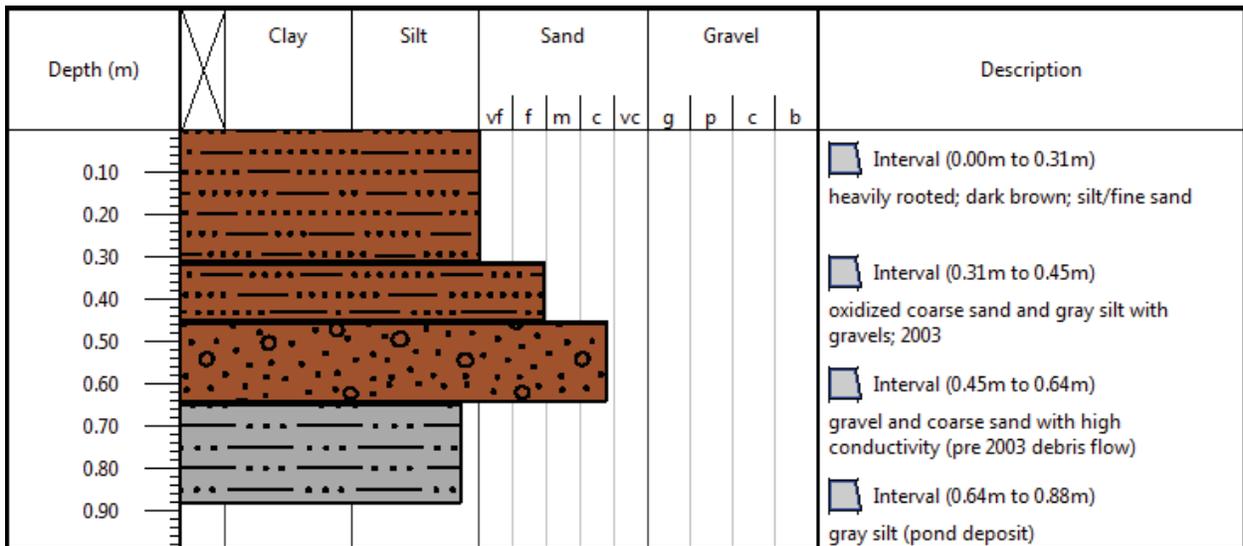


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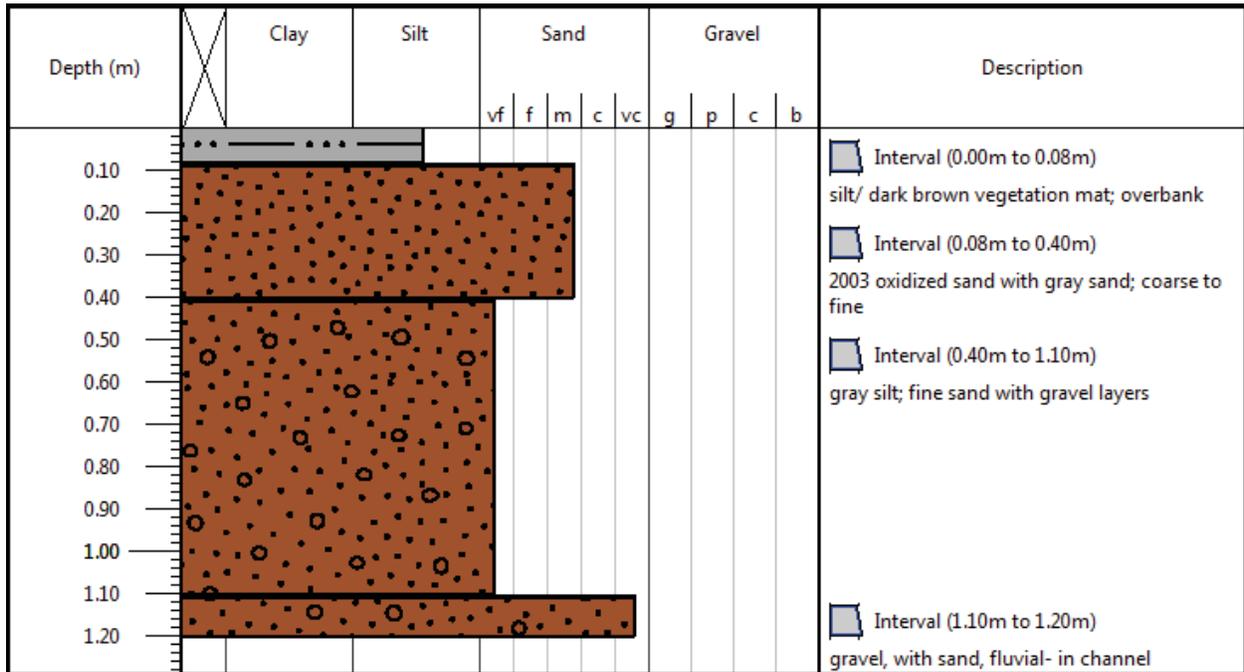


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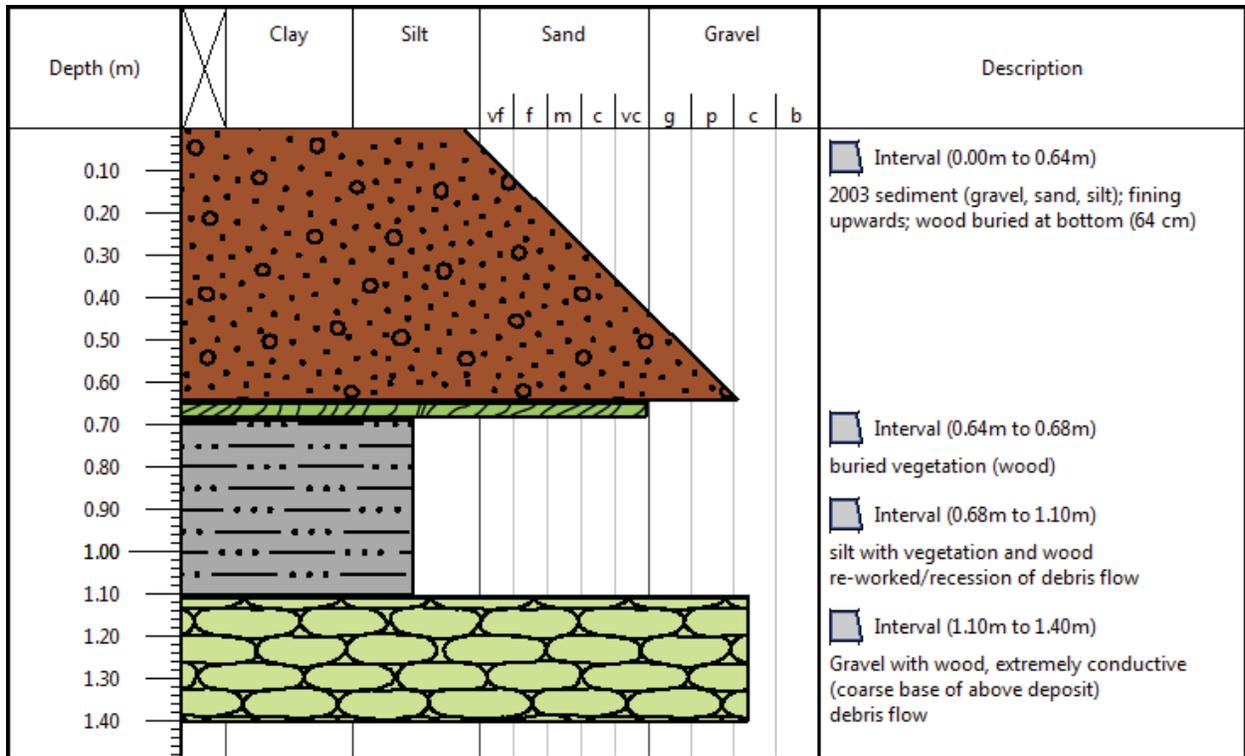


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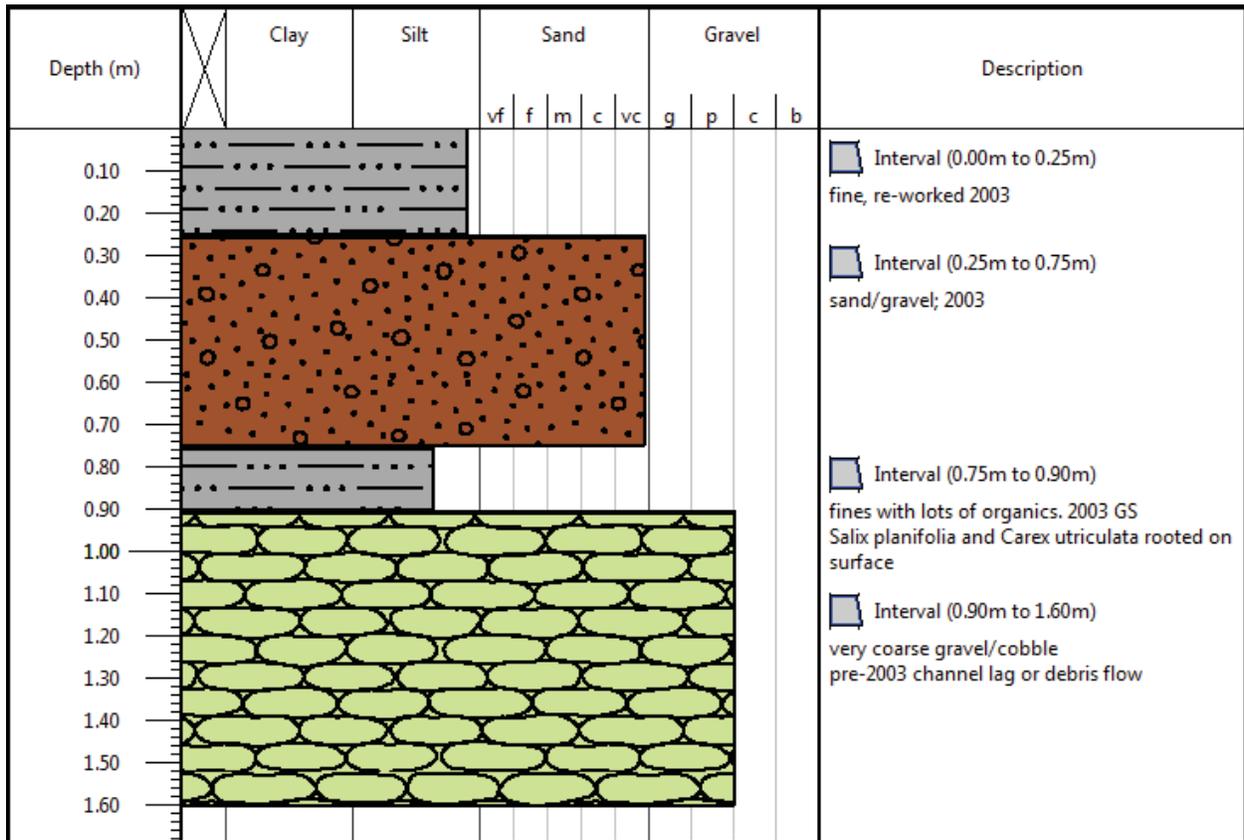


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No stratigraphic data for pit 12. Excavated two standing dead Lodgepole Pines from the hole. The germination crown of the small pine was 25 cm below the current ground surface and had approximately 20 annual growth rings. The germination crown of the large pine was 55 cm below the current ground surface and had approximately 45 annual growth rings.

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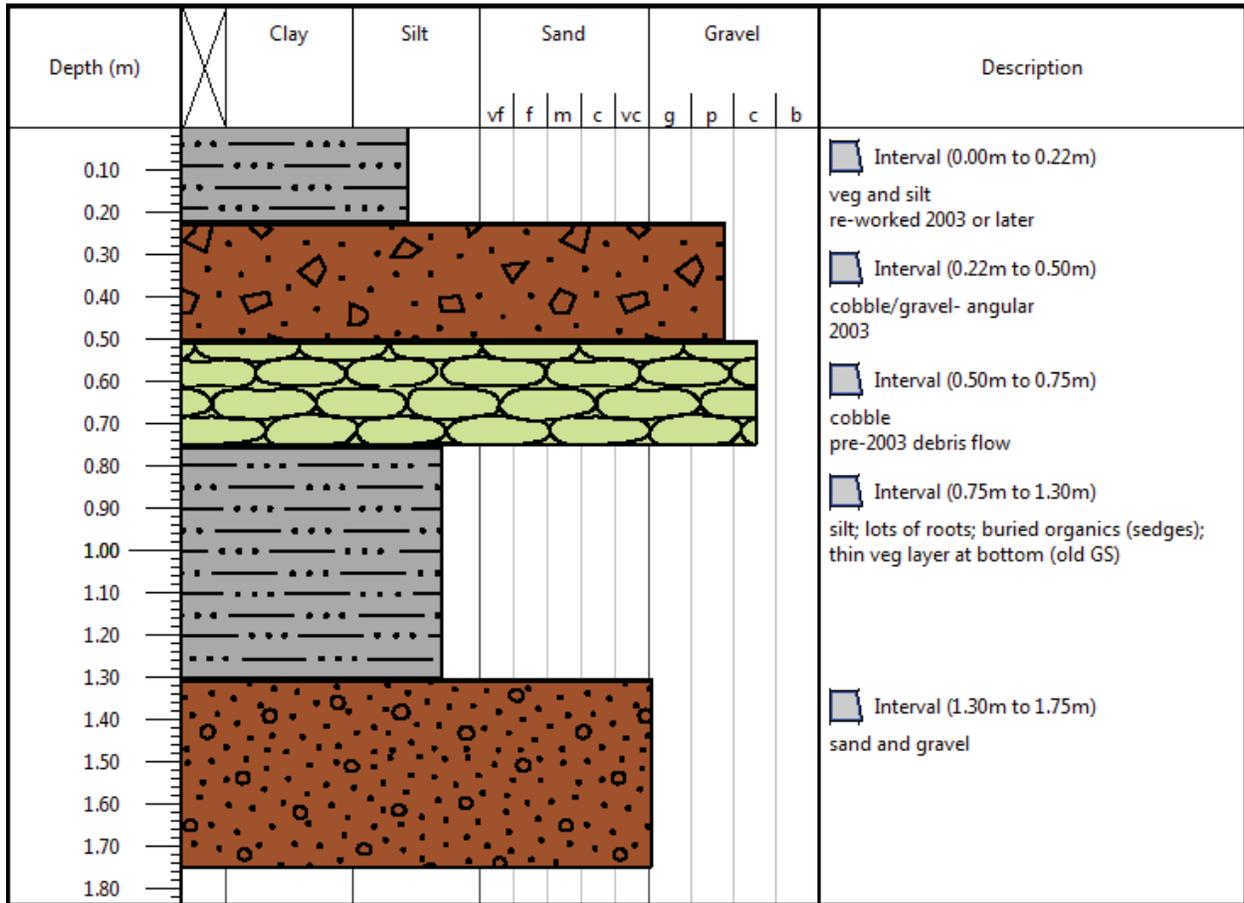


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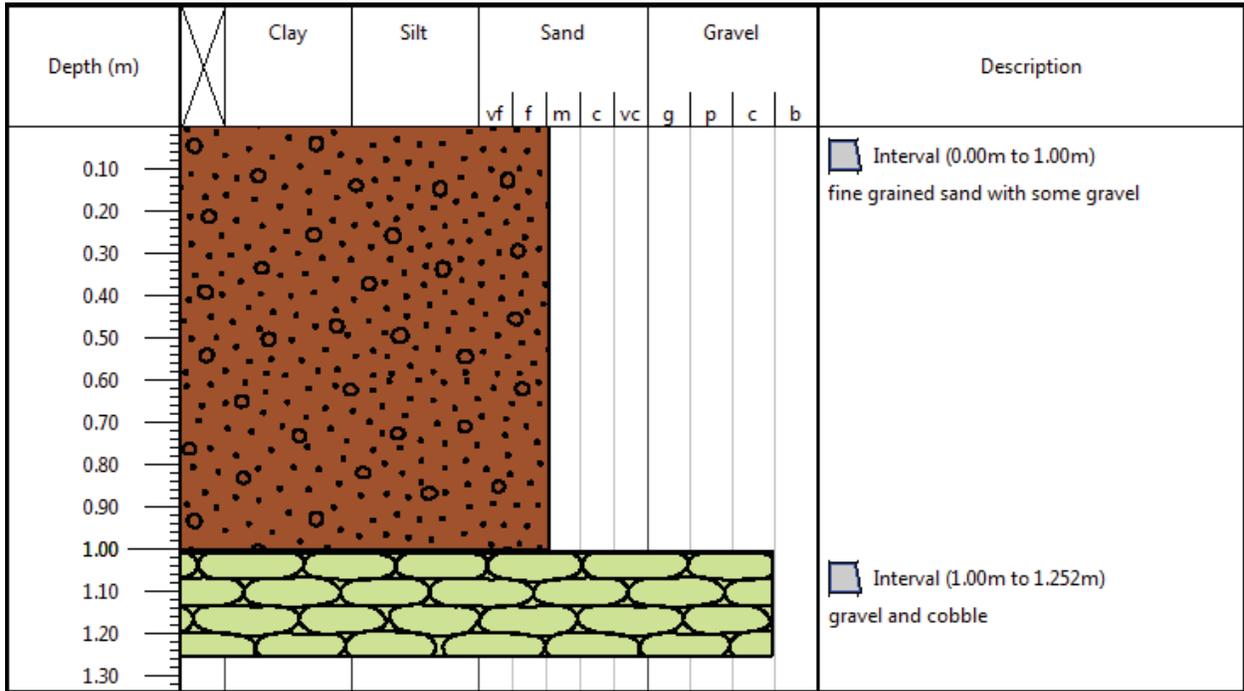


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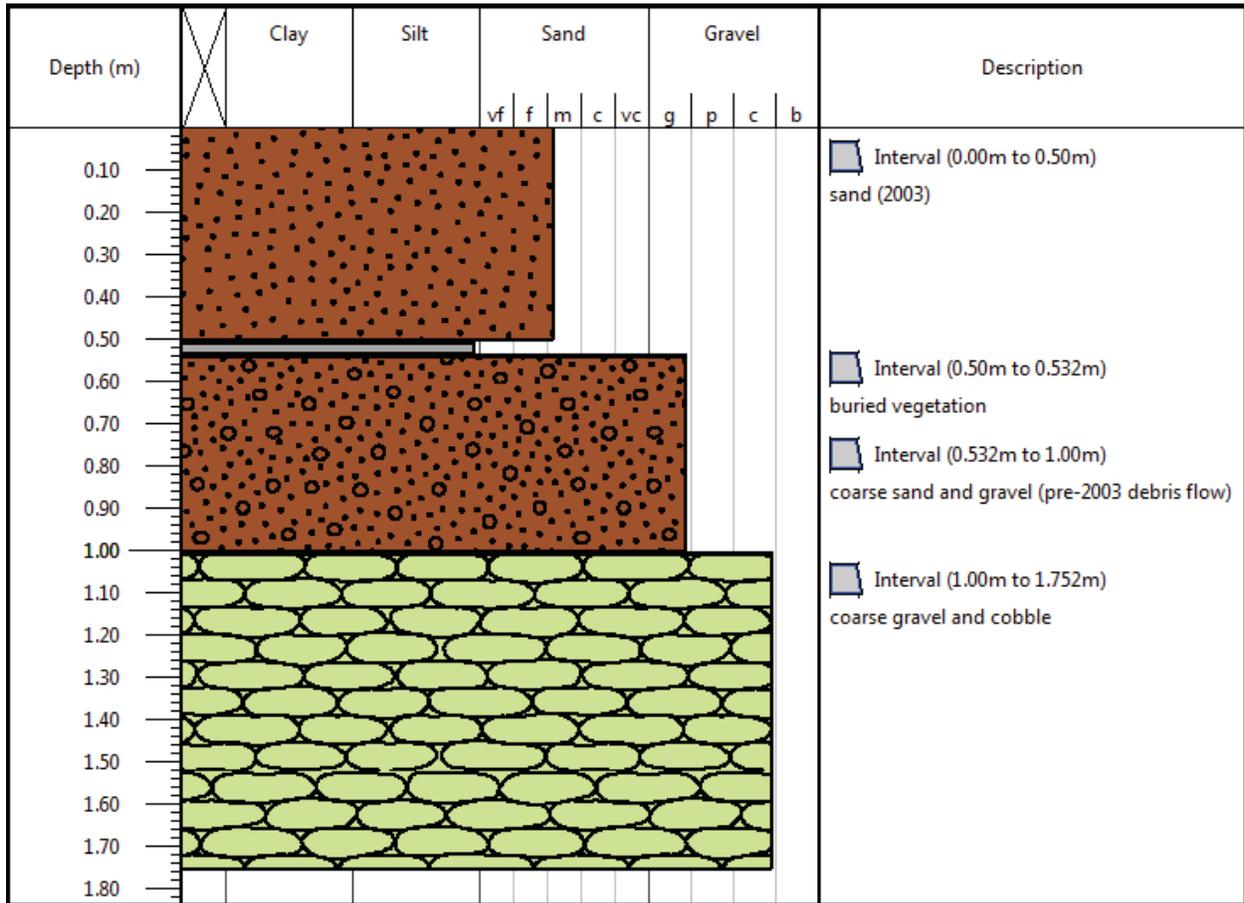


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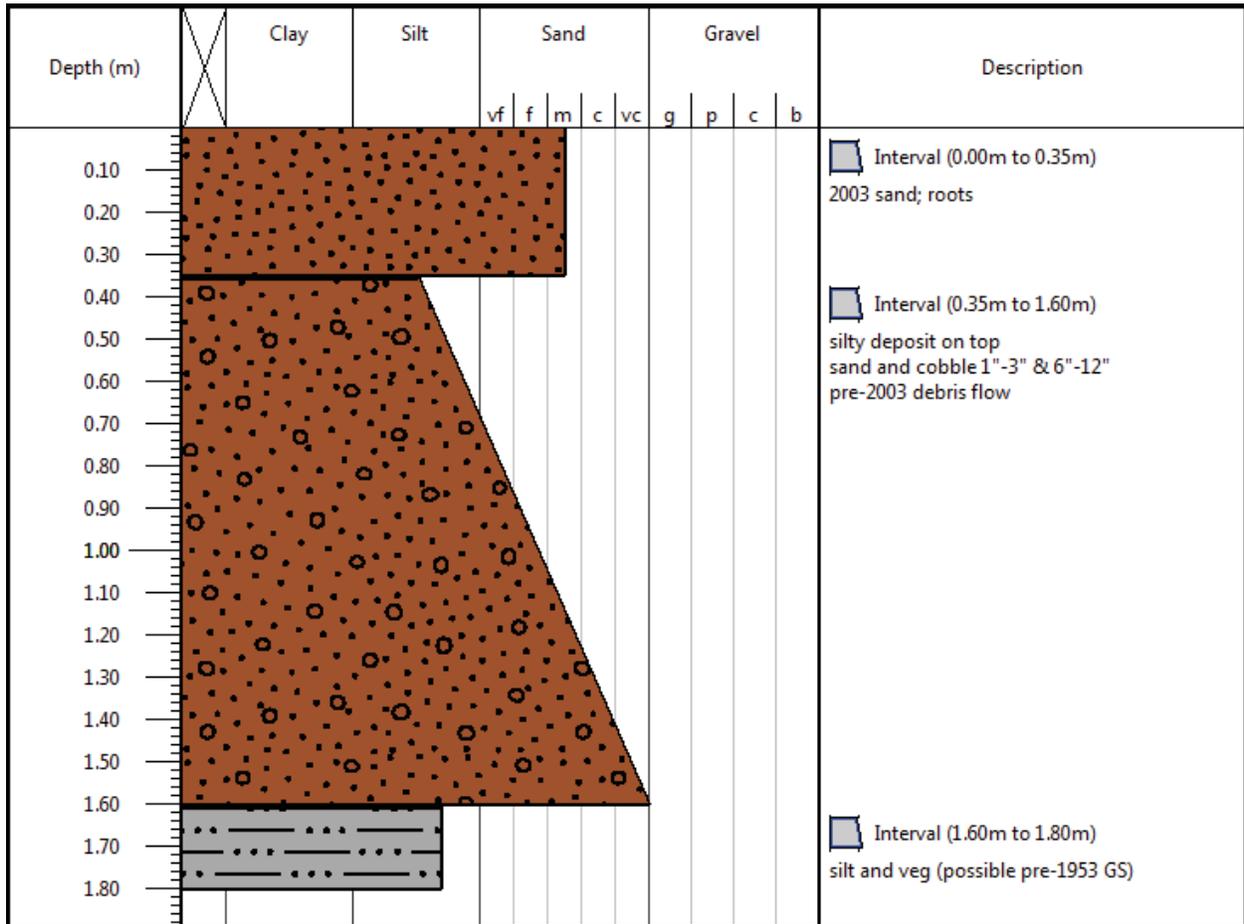


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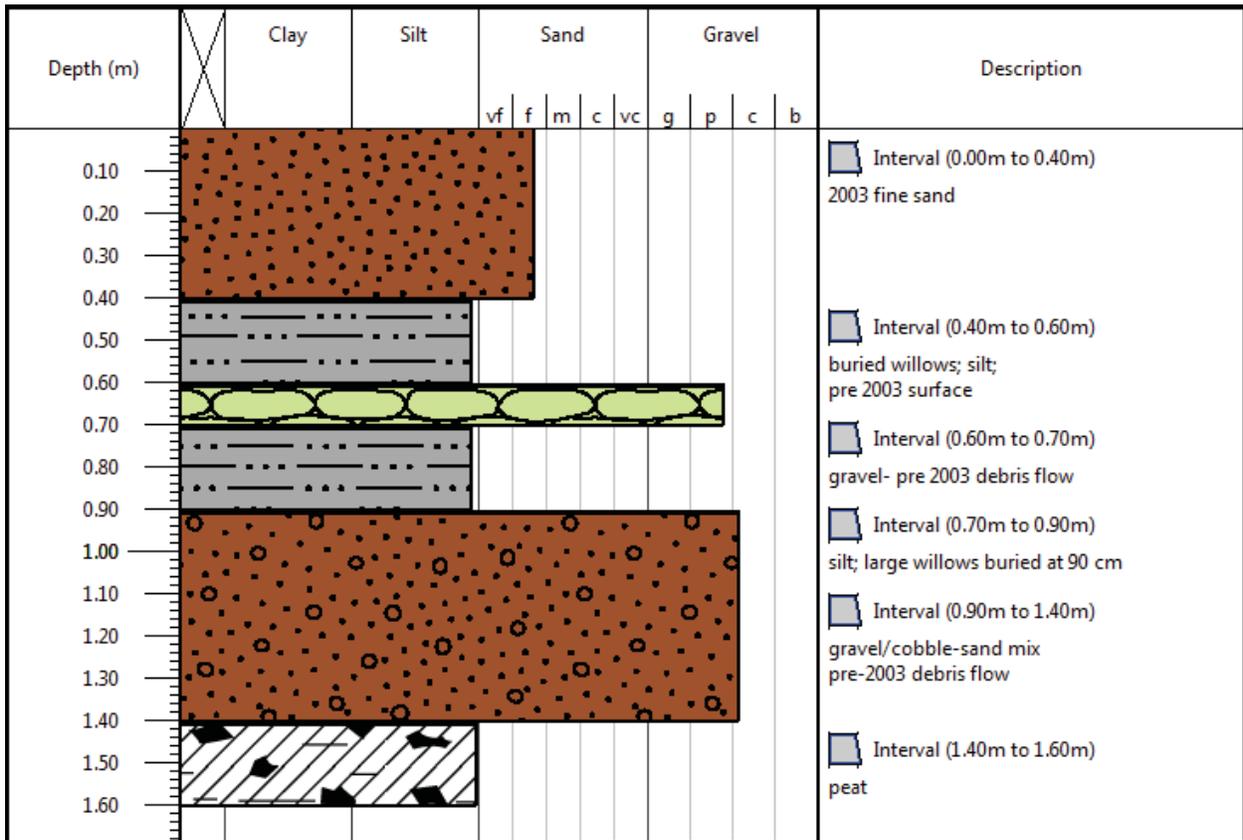


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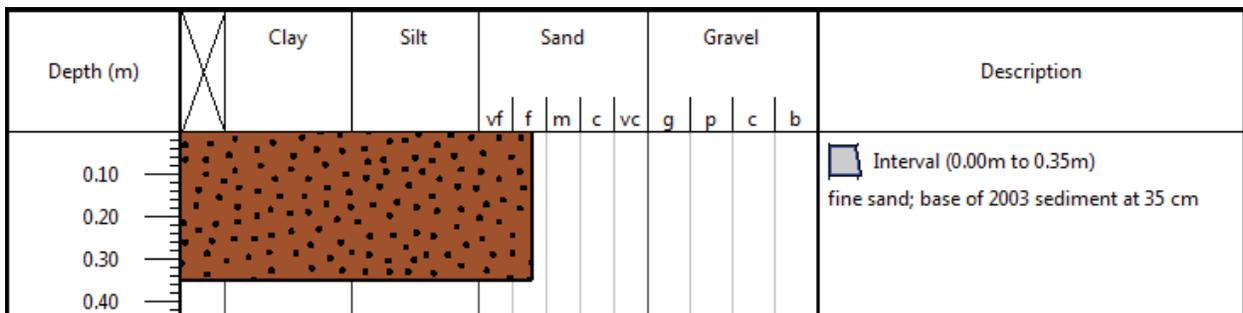


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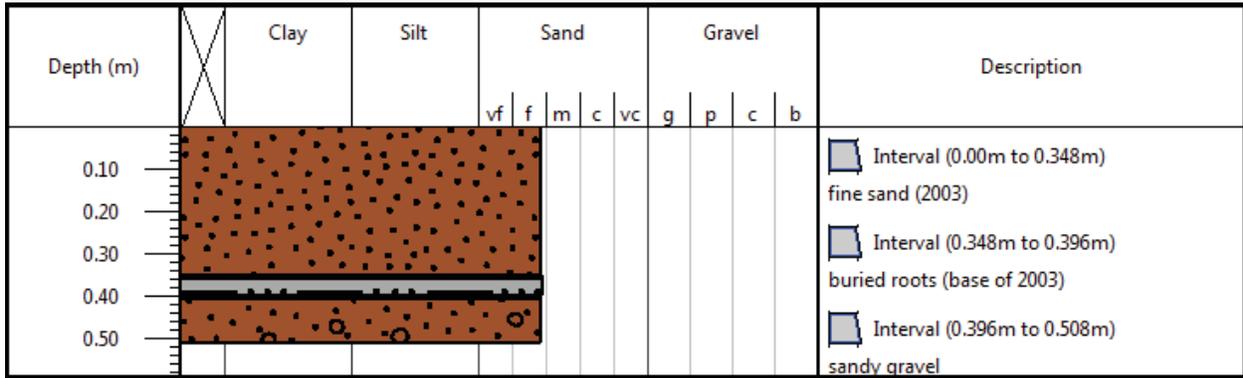


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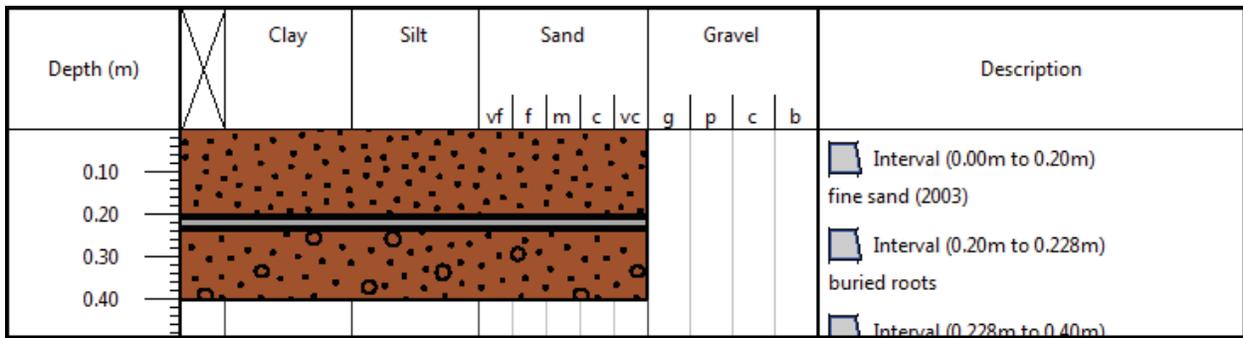


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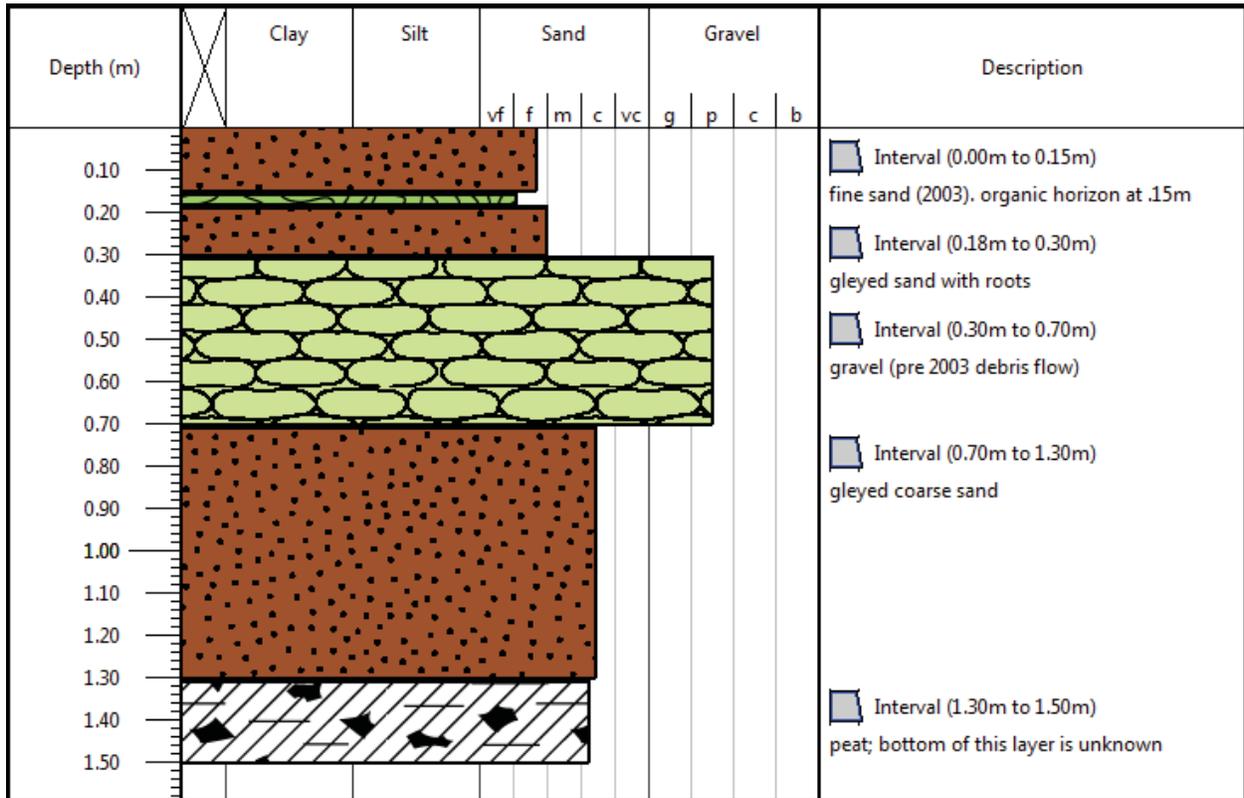


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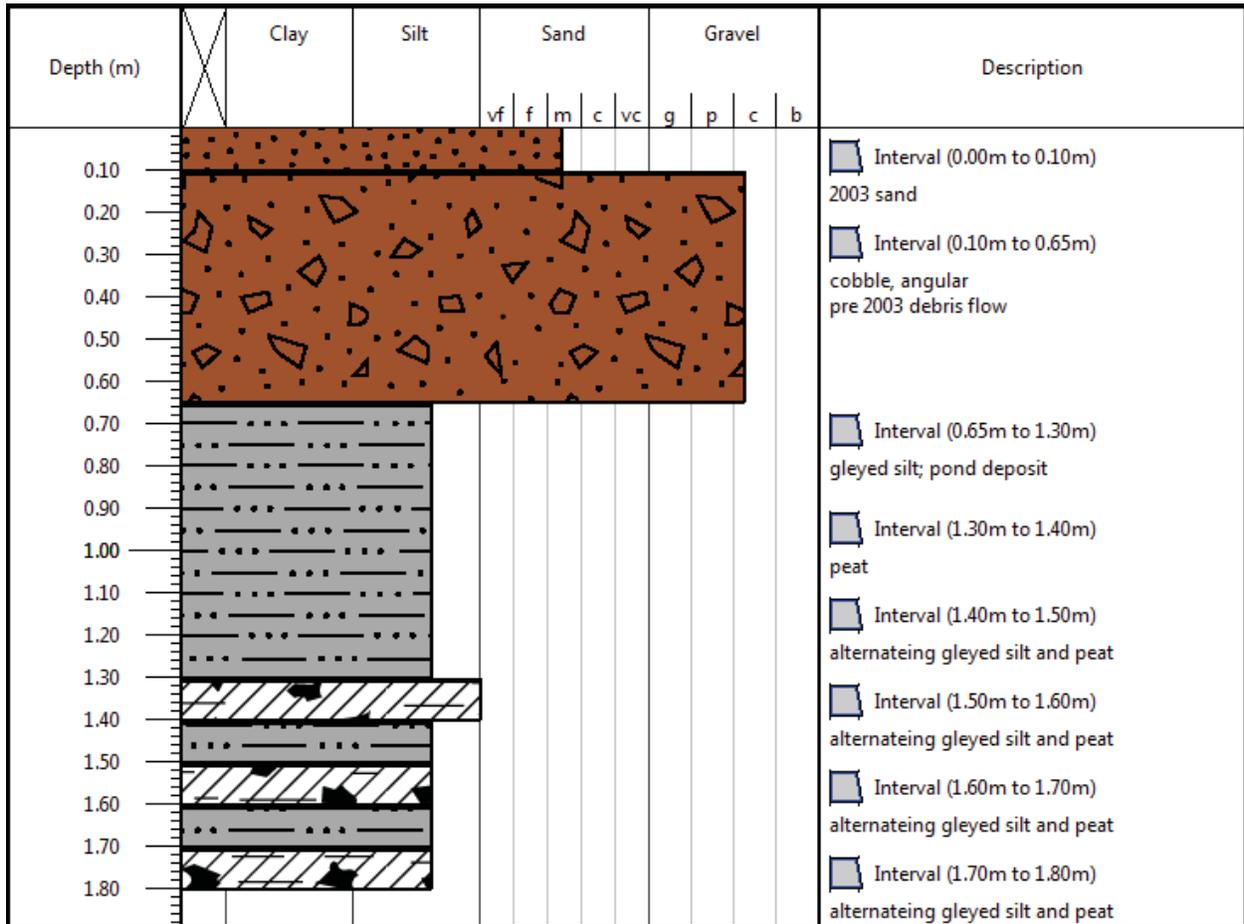


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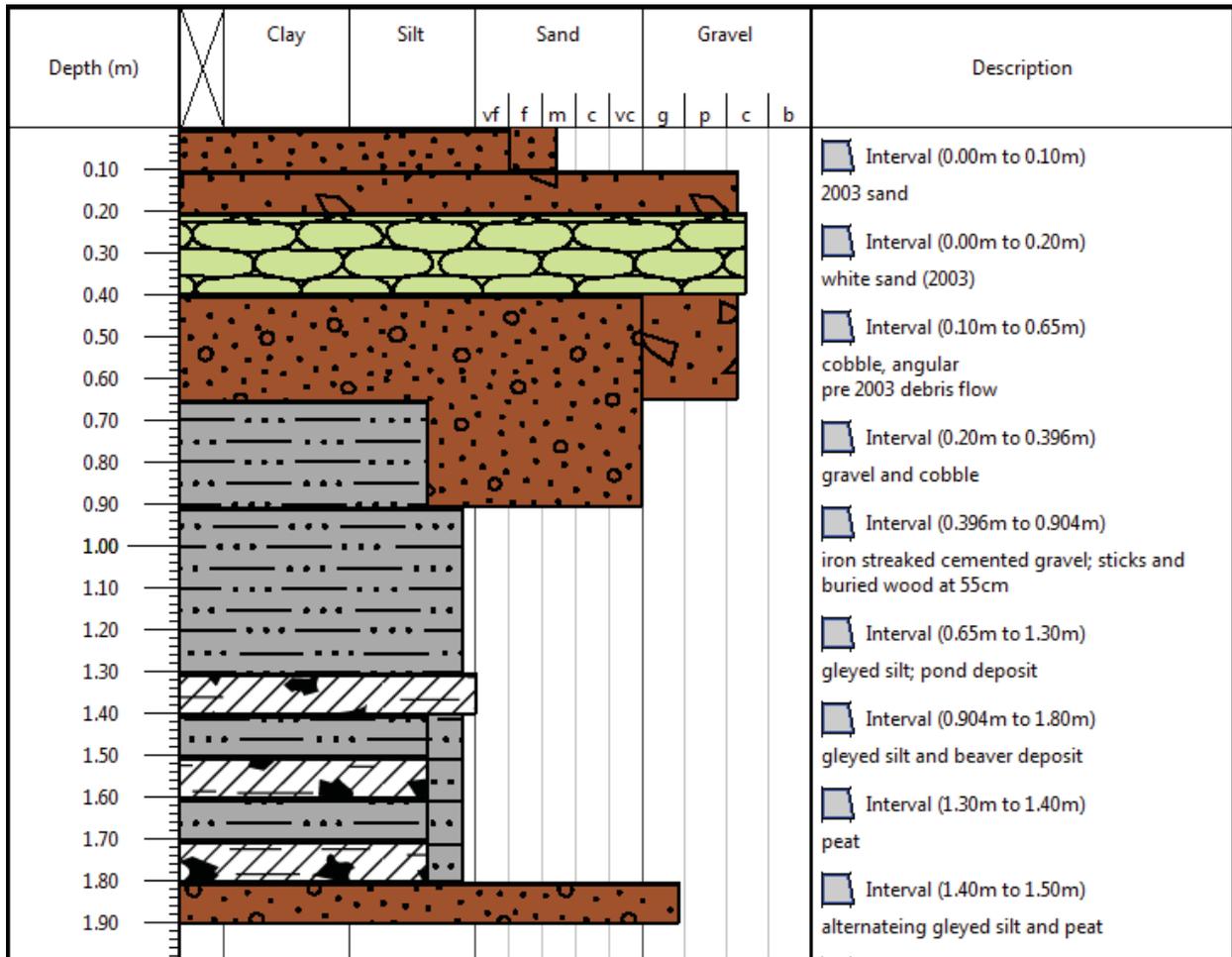


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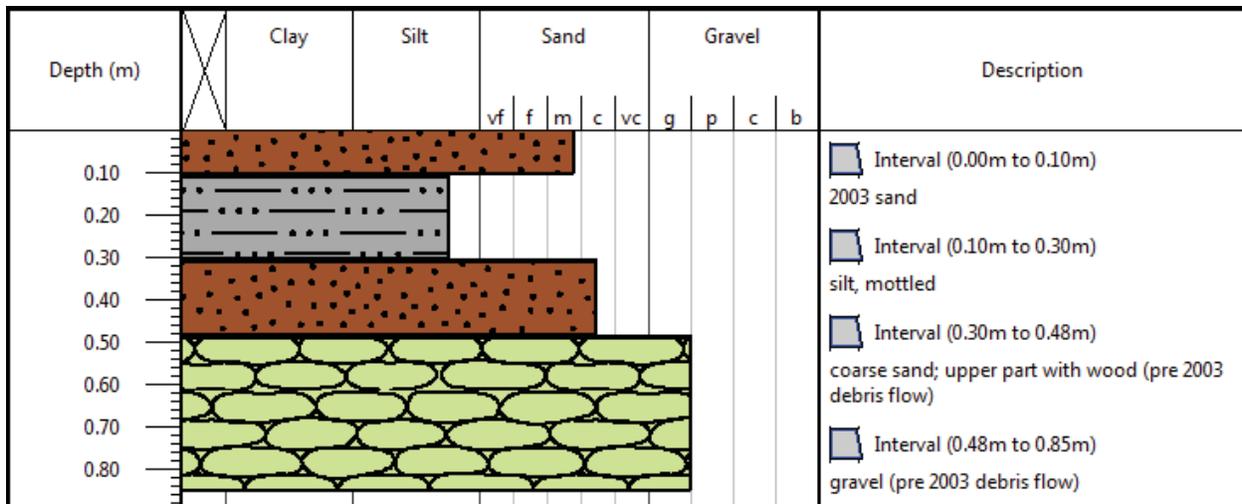


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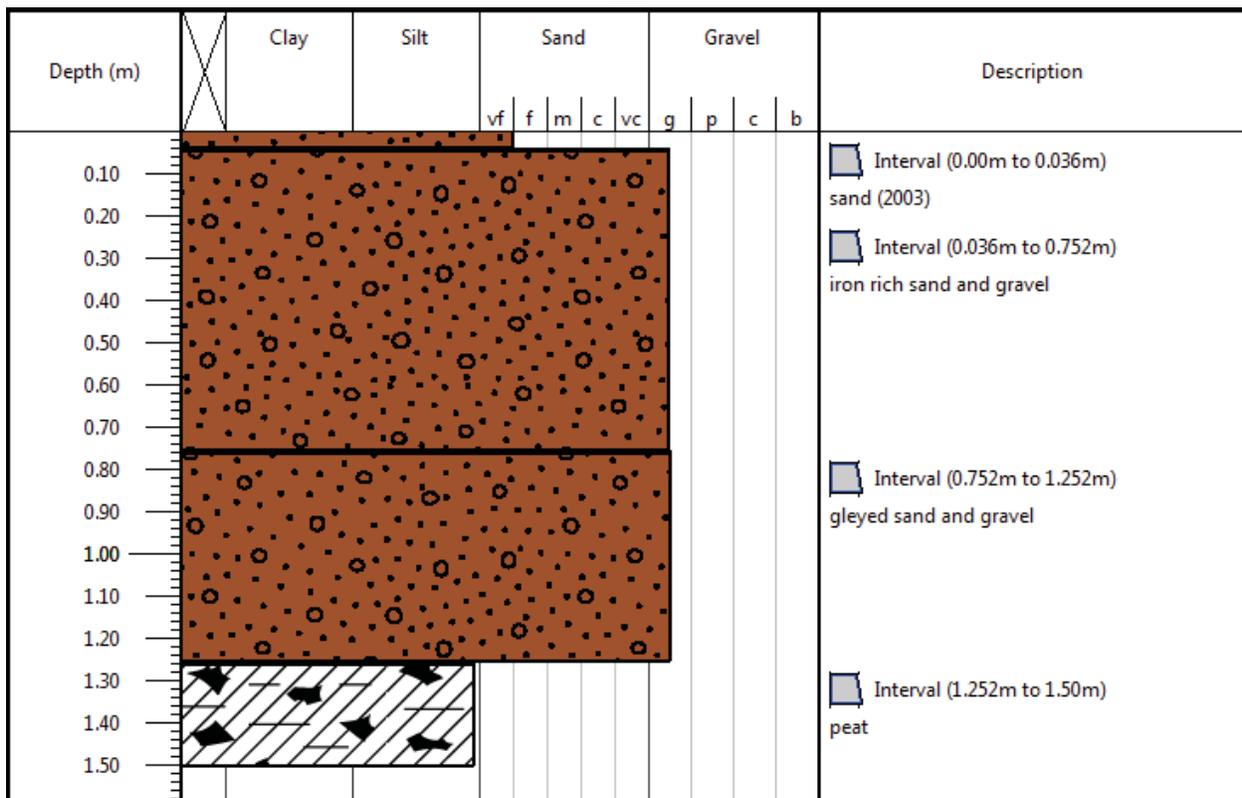


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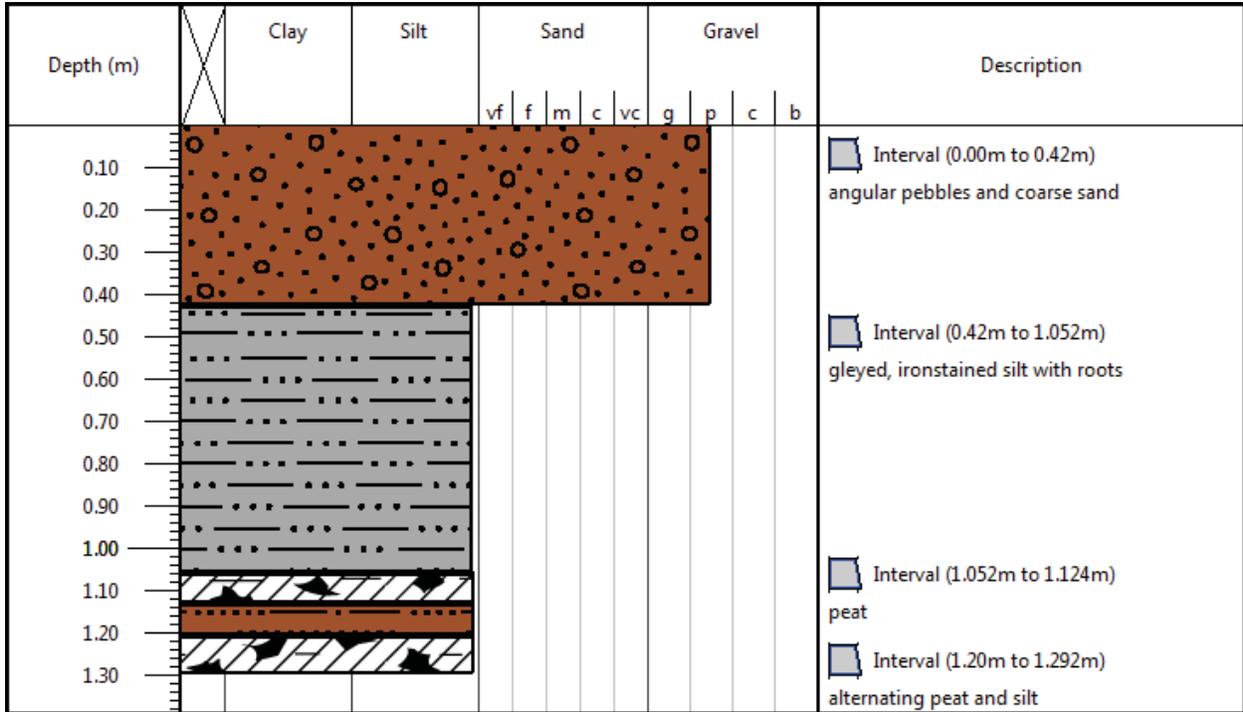


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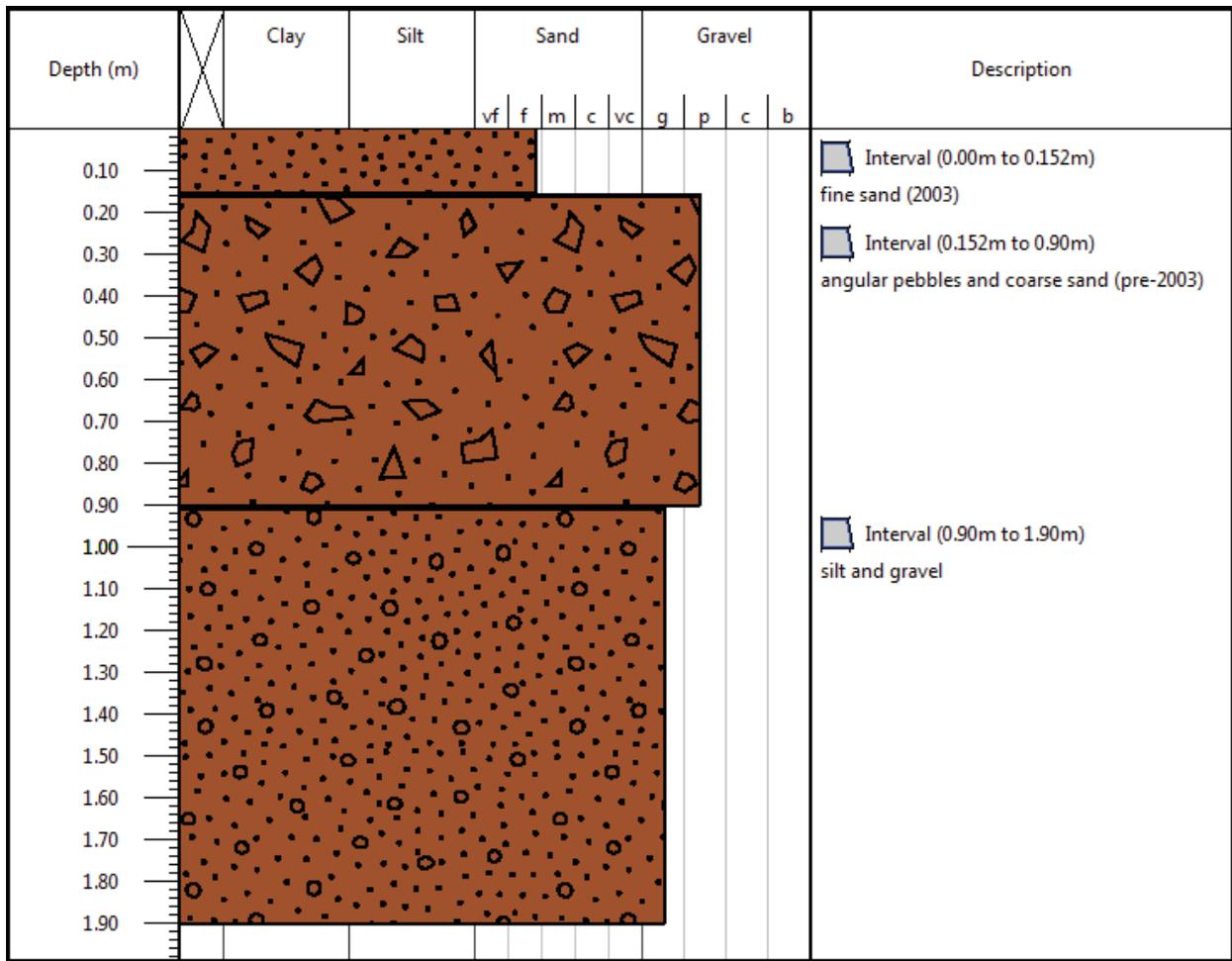


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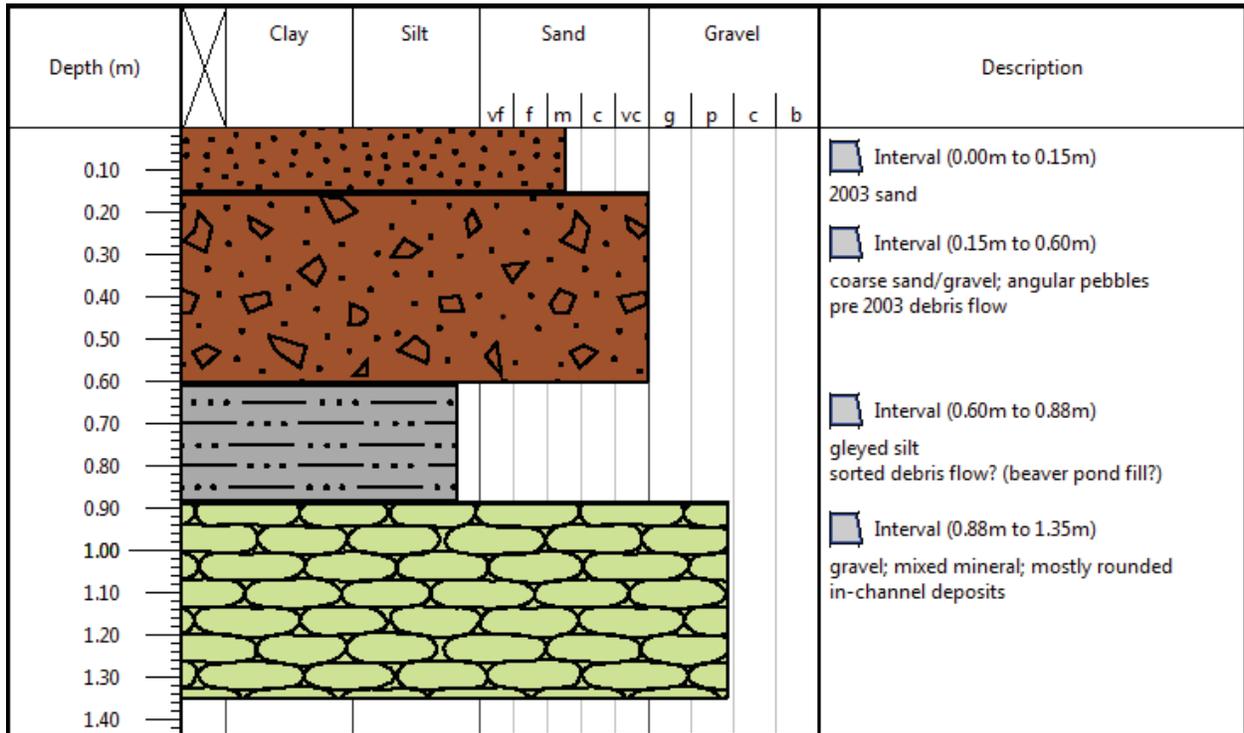


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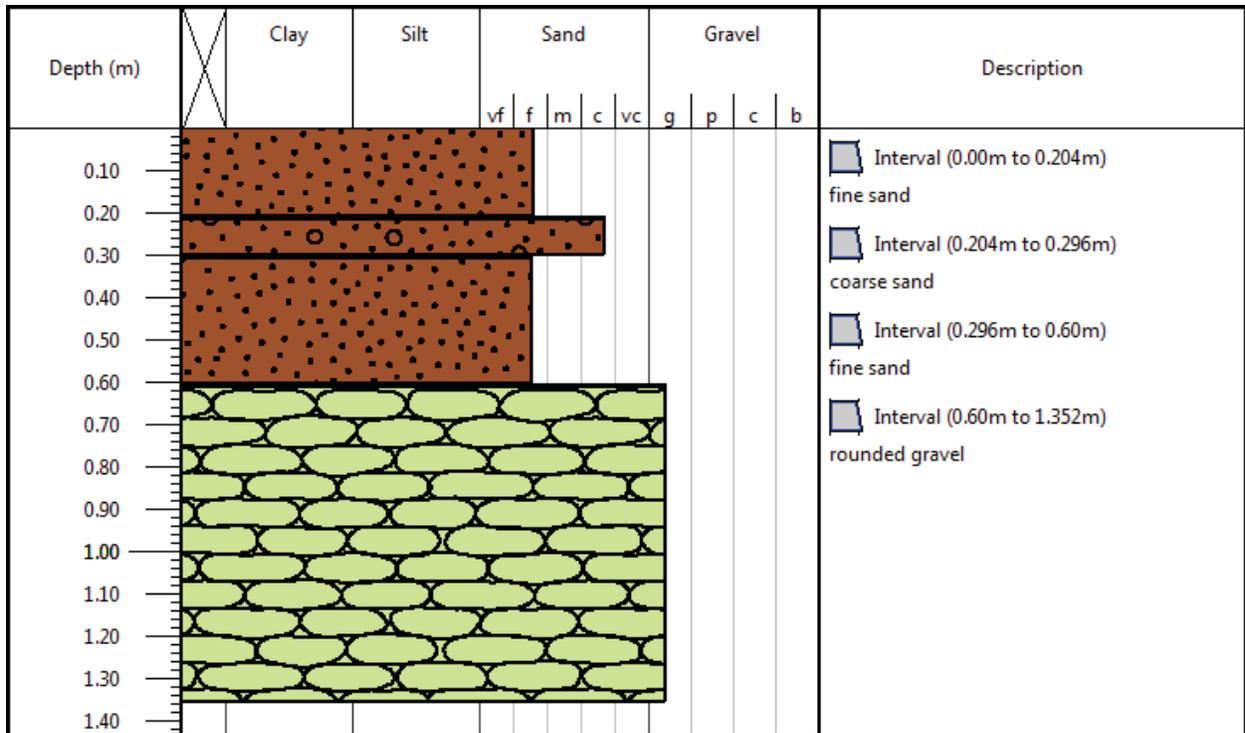


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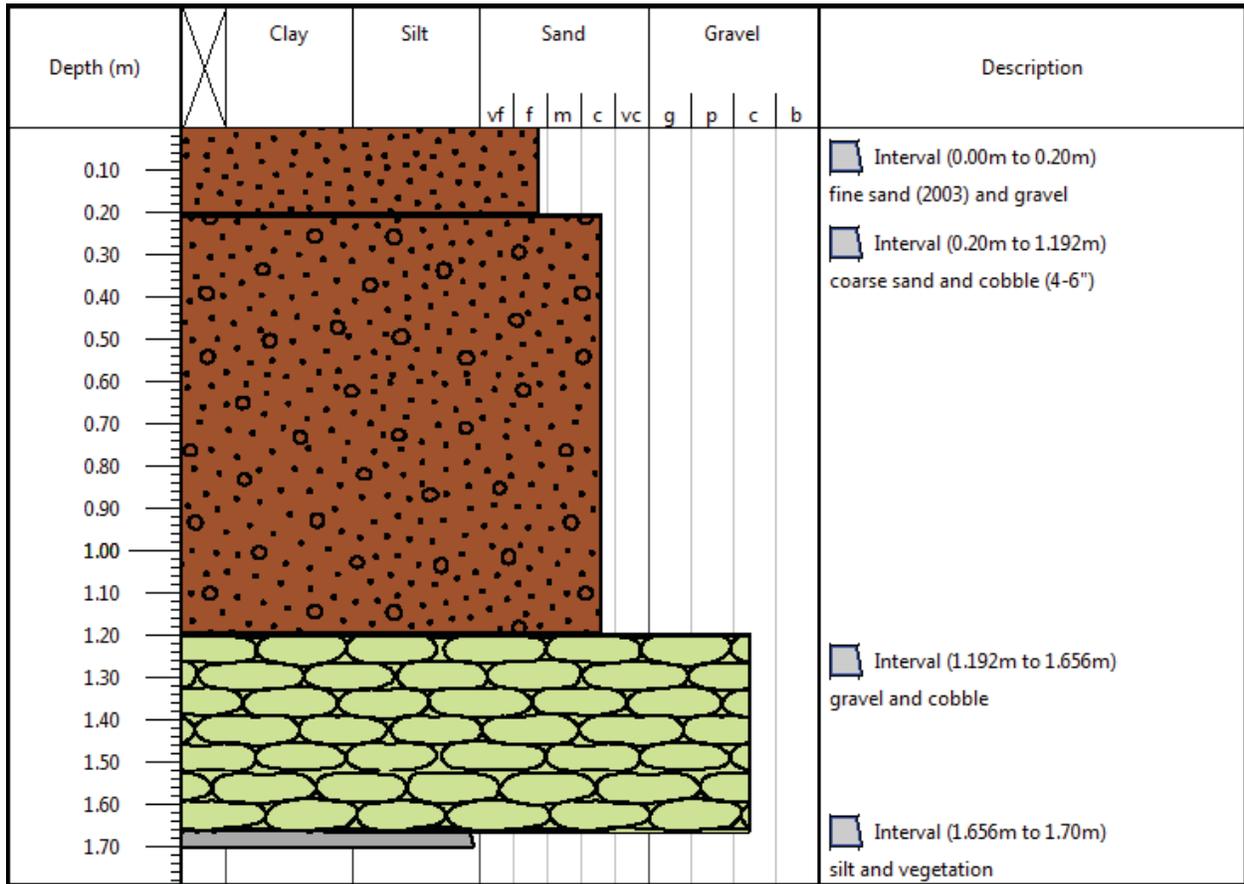


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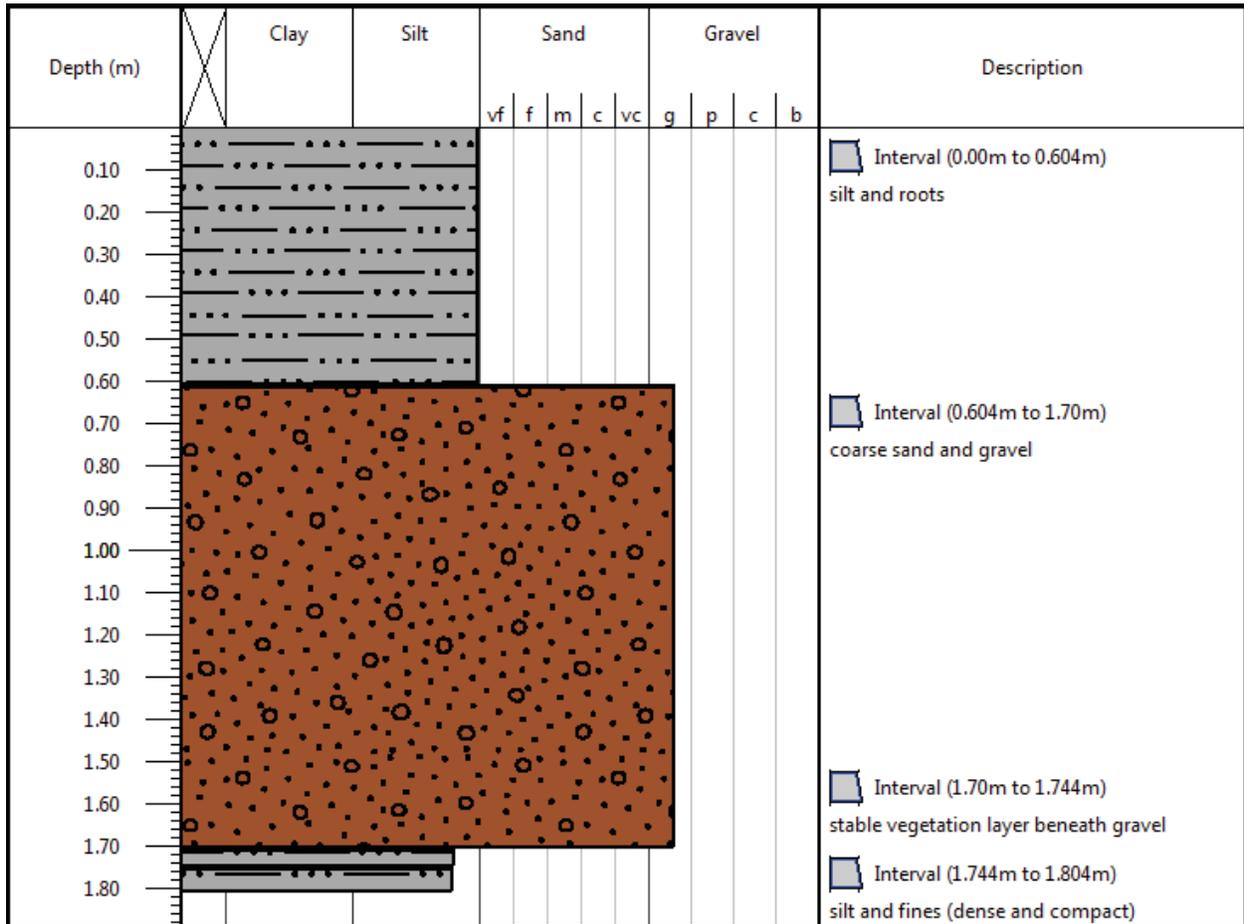


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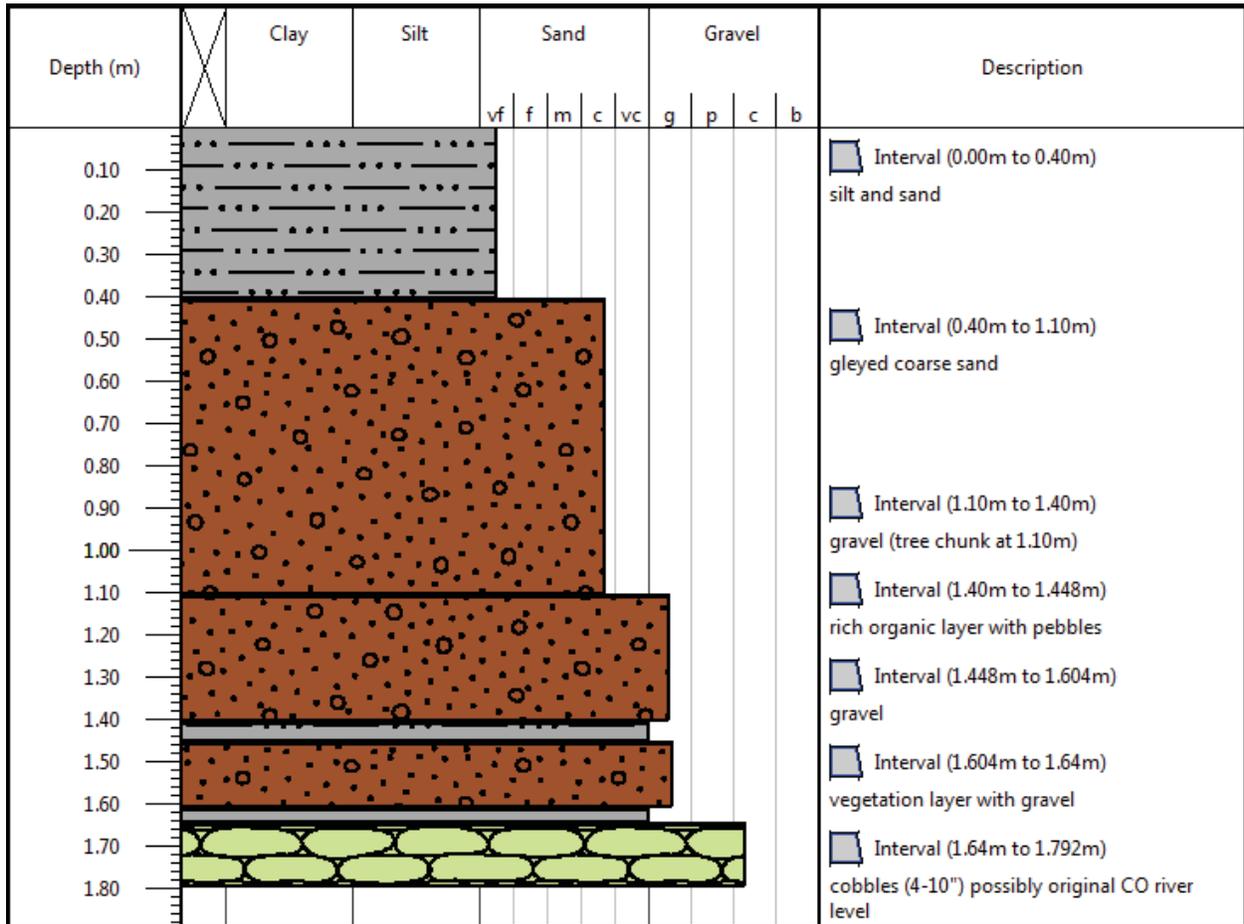


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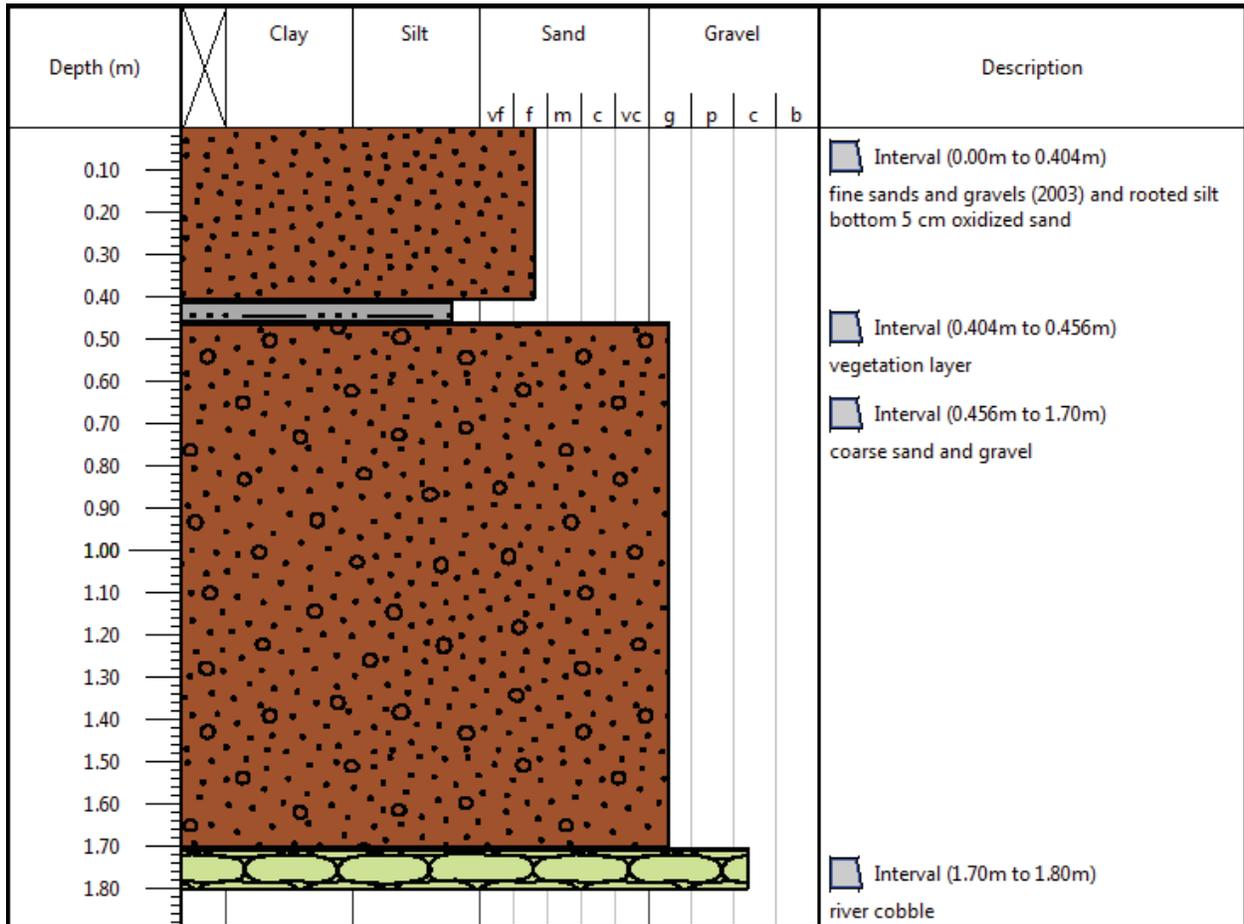


Figure 66: Stratigraphic sediment profile cross section. Representing thickness and texture of sediments and buried materials. Collected September 2009 using a Bobcat Excavator in Lulu City Wetland.

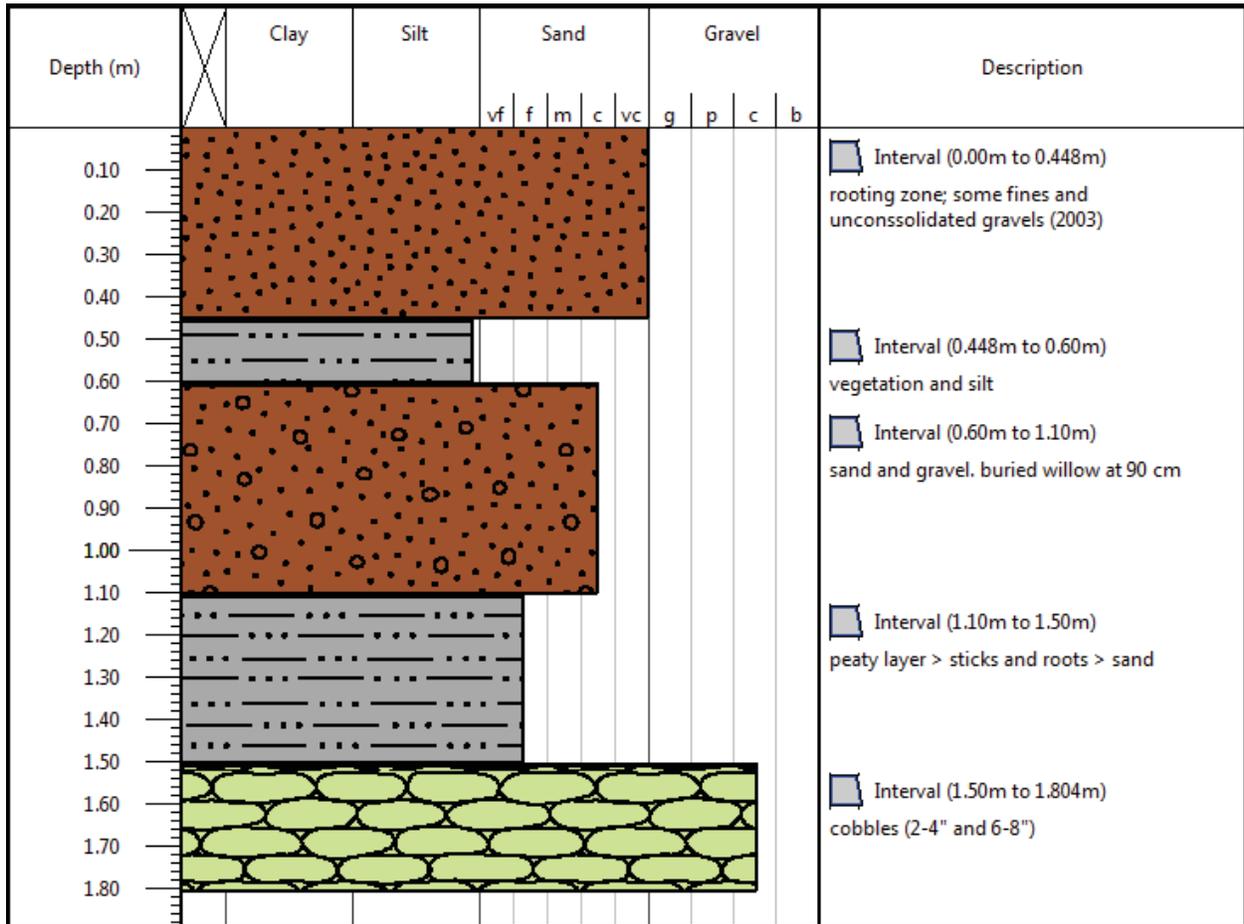


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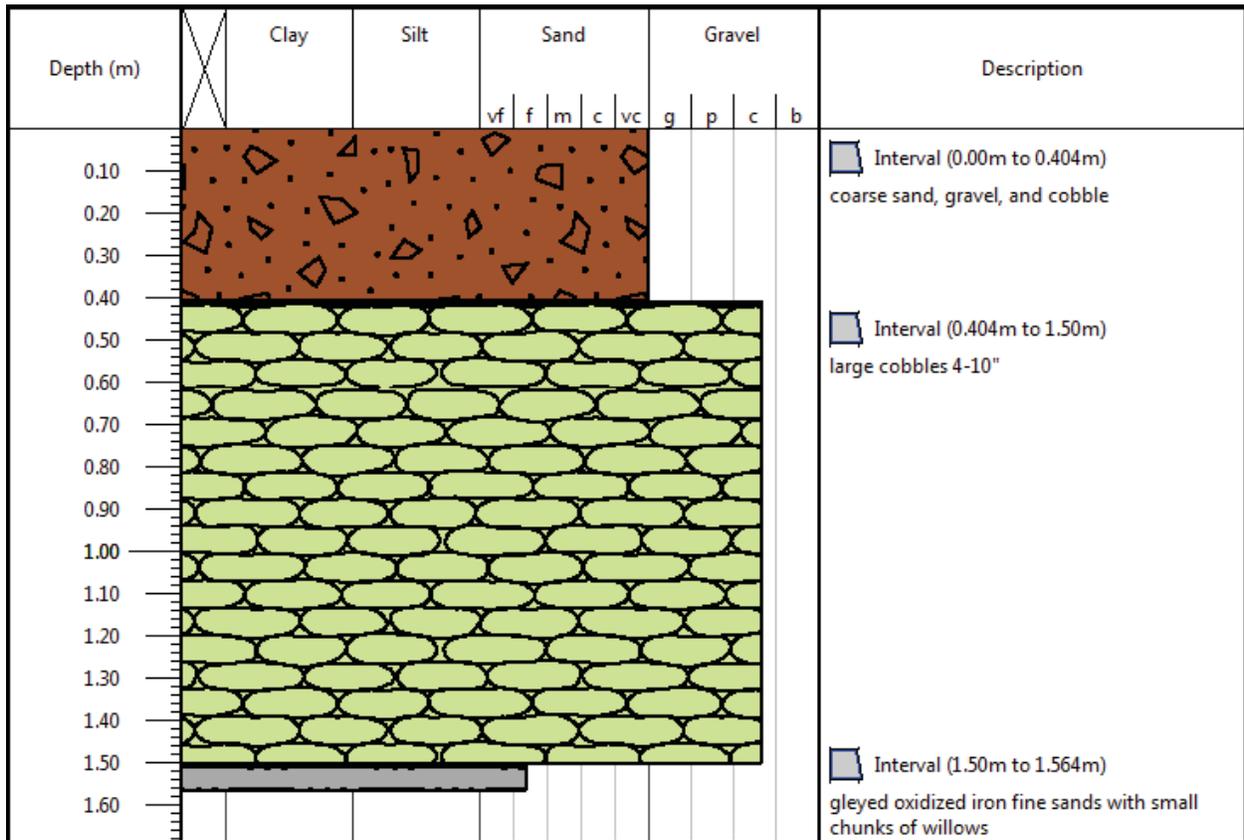


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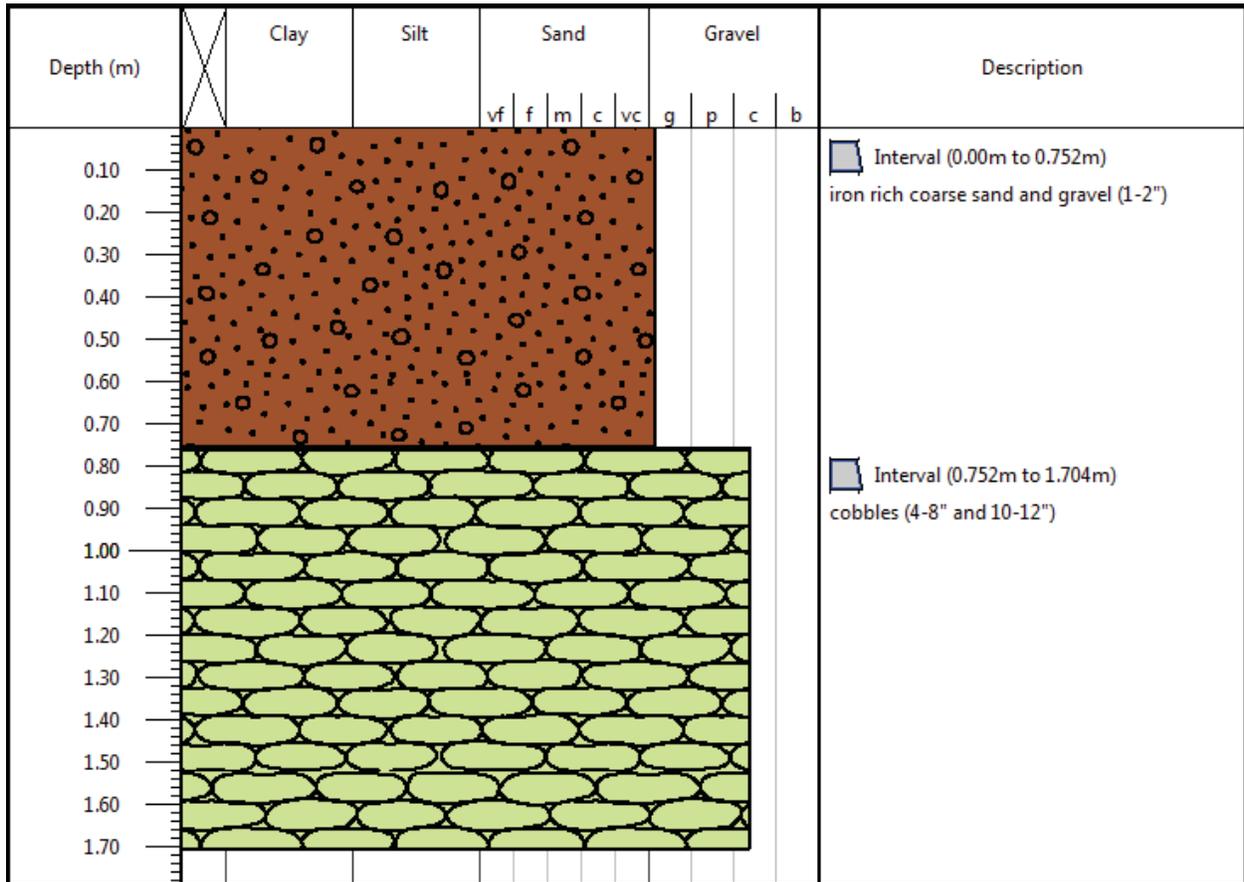


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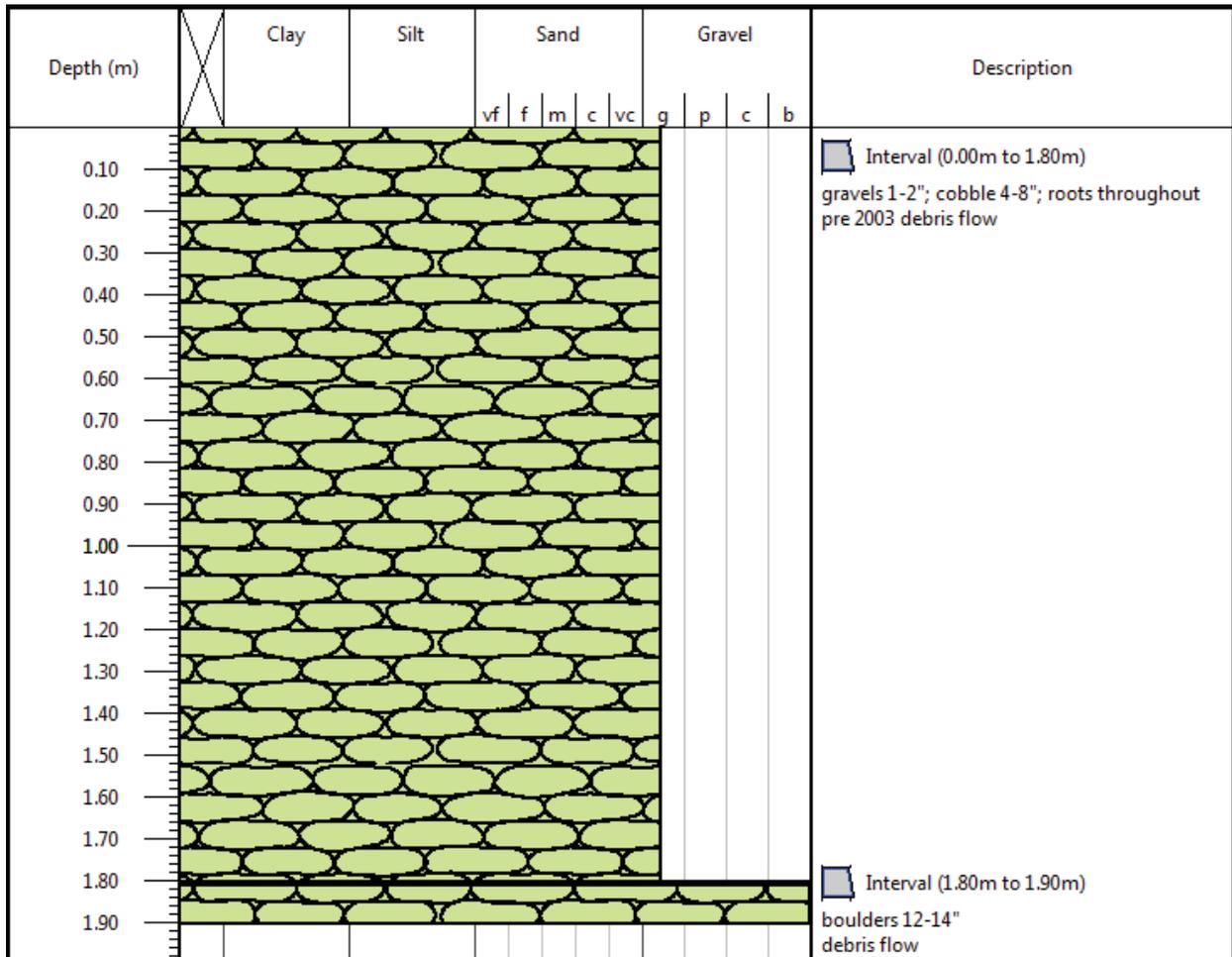


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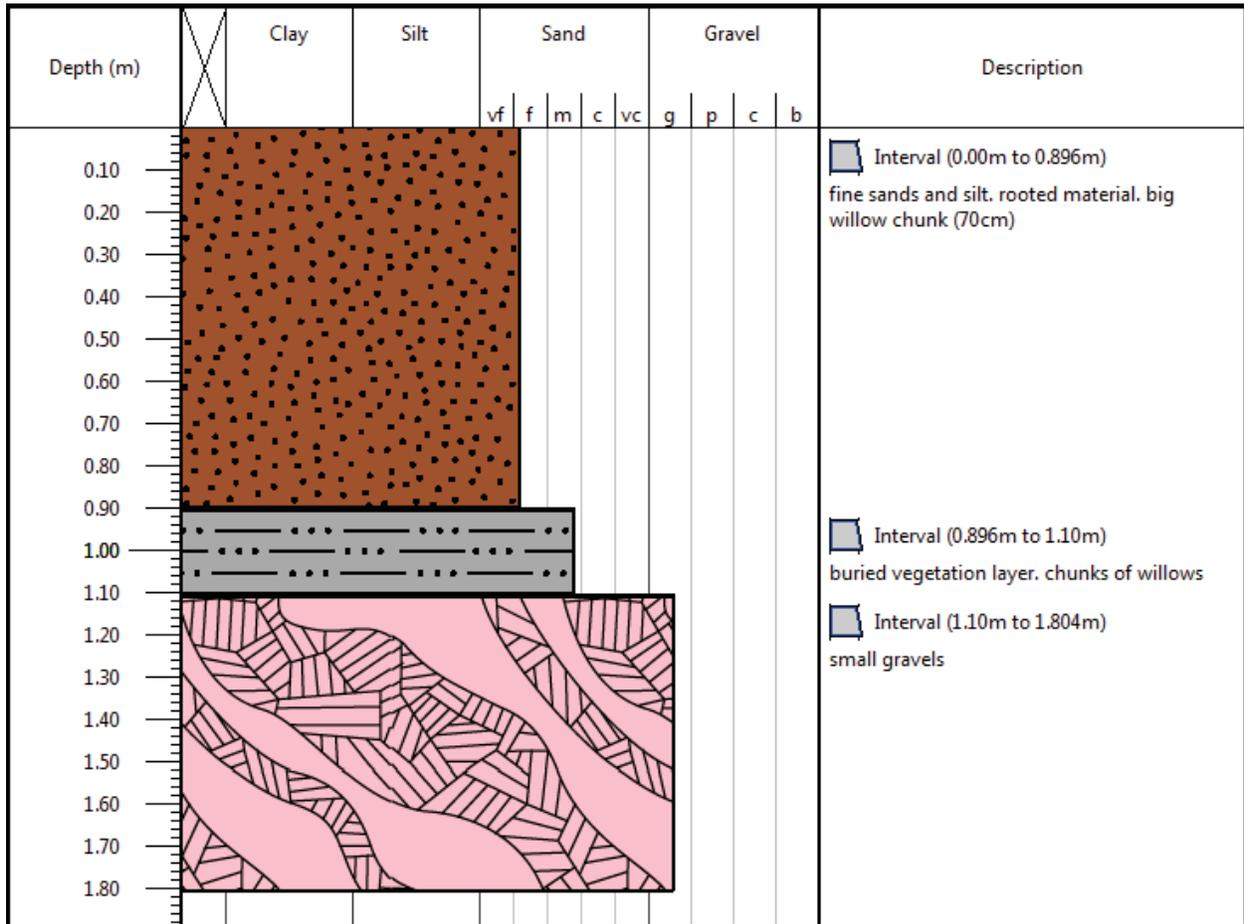


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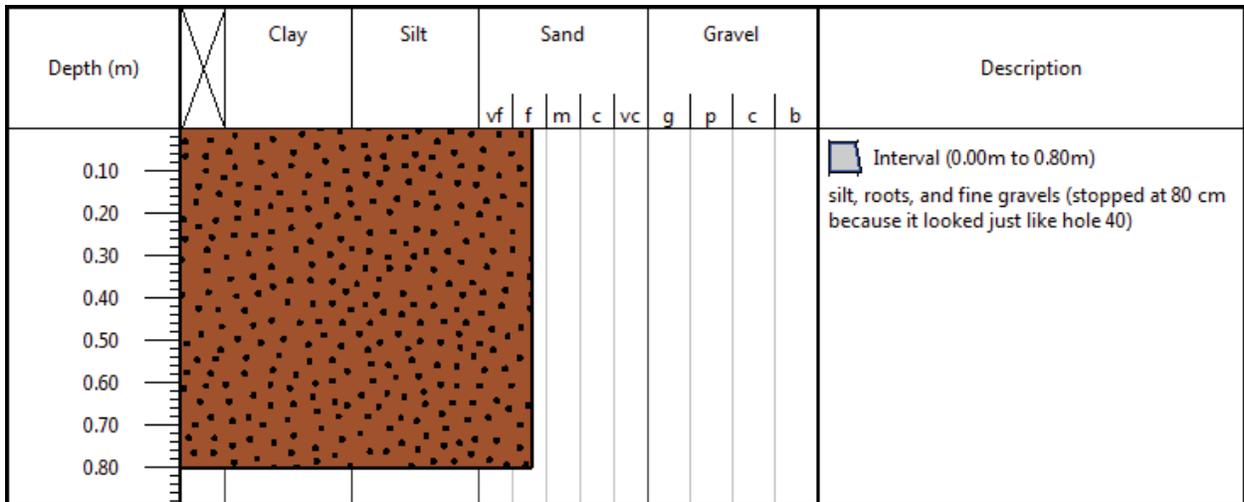


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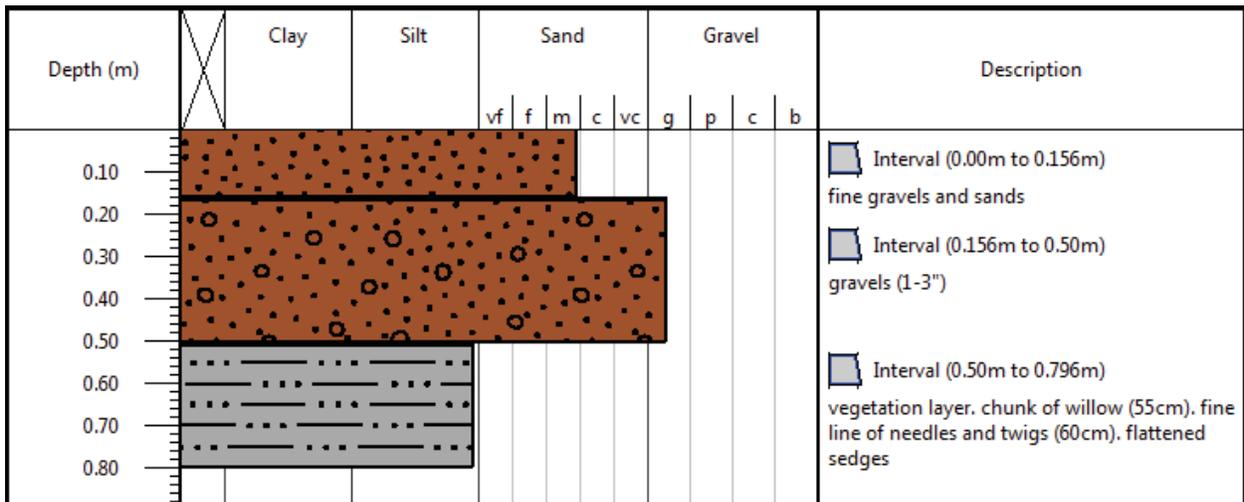


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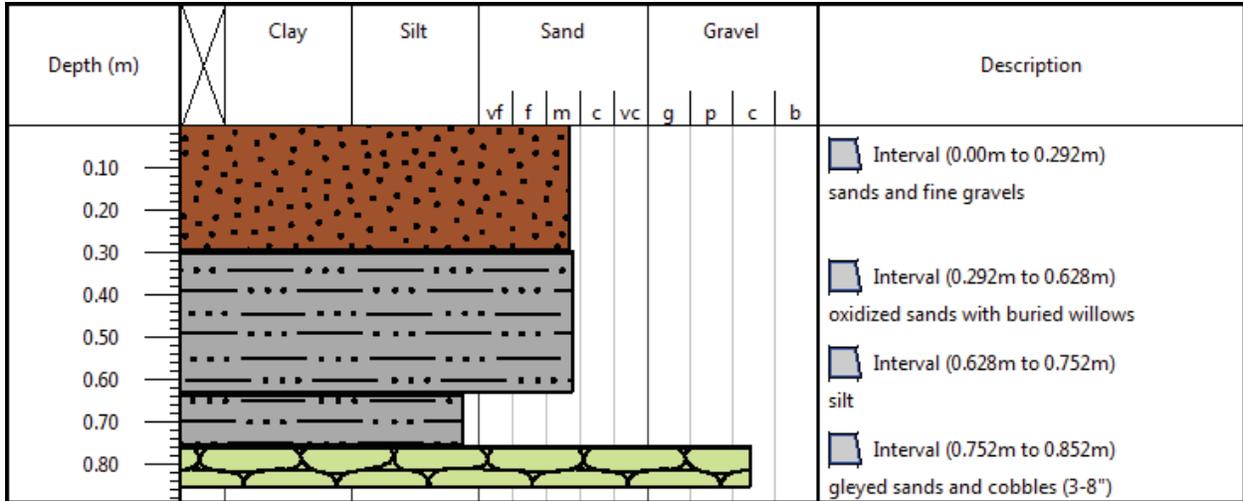


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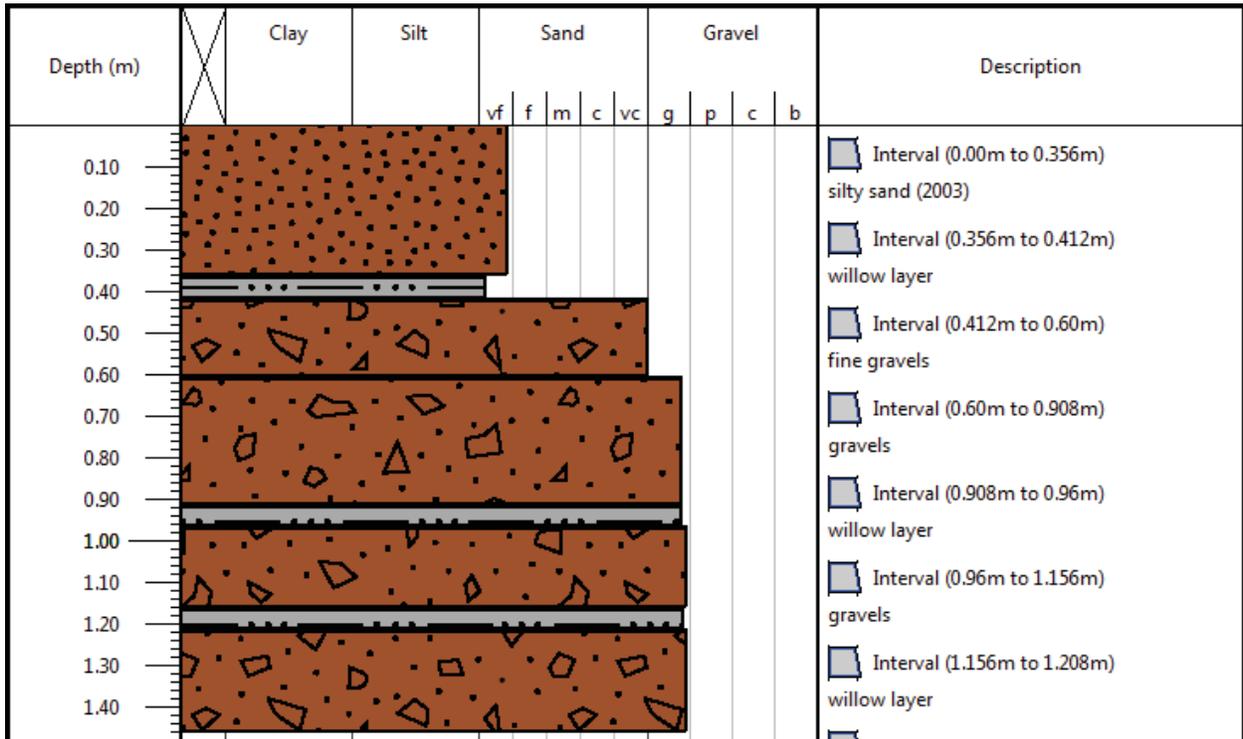


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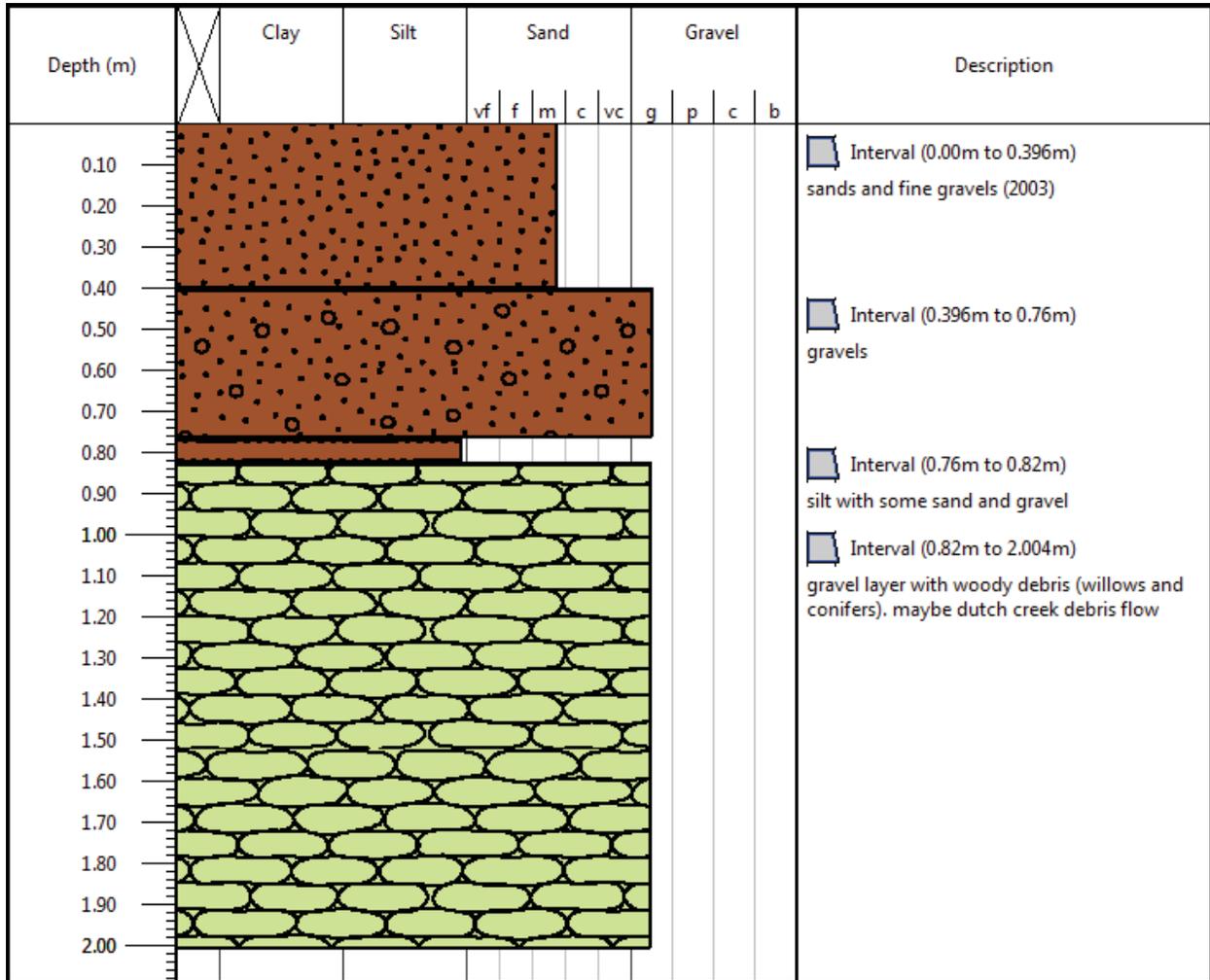


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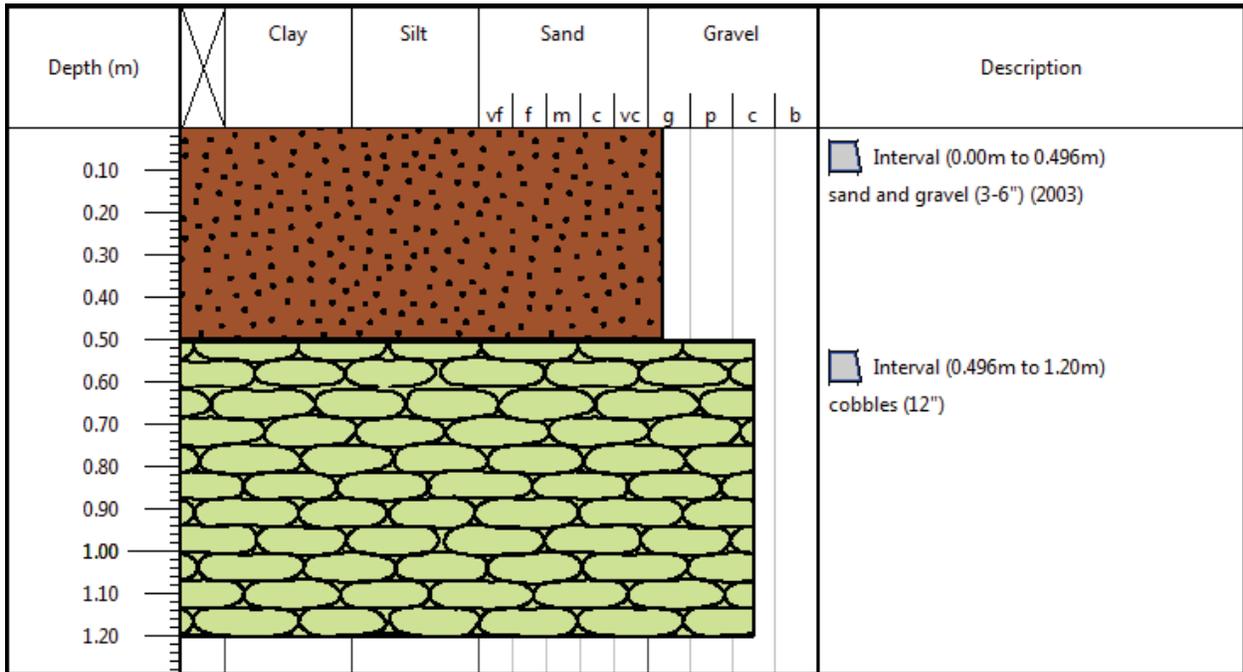


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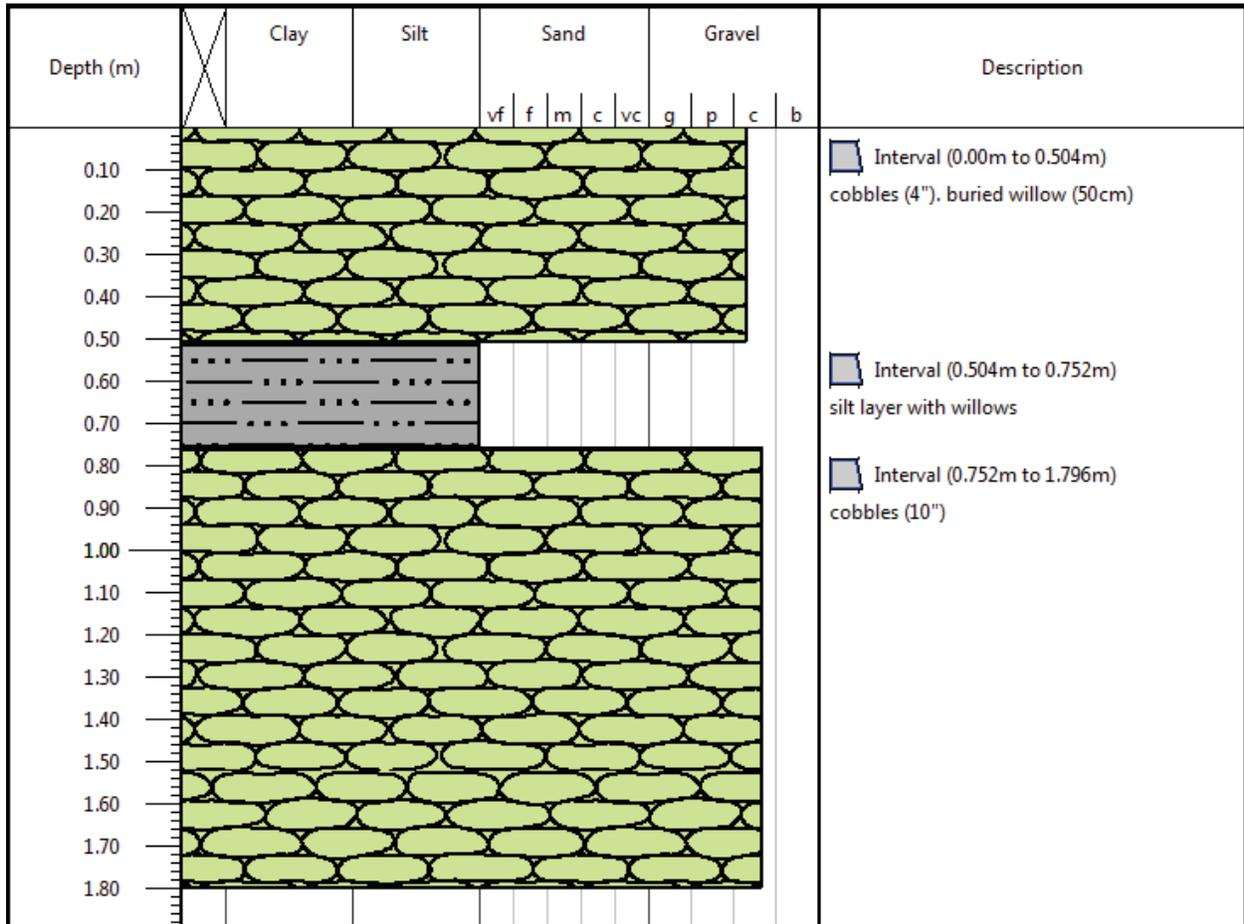


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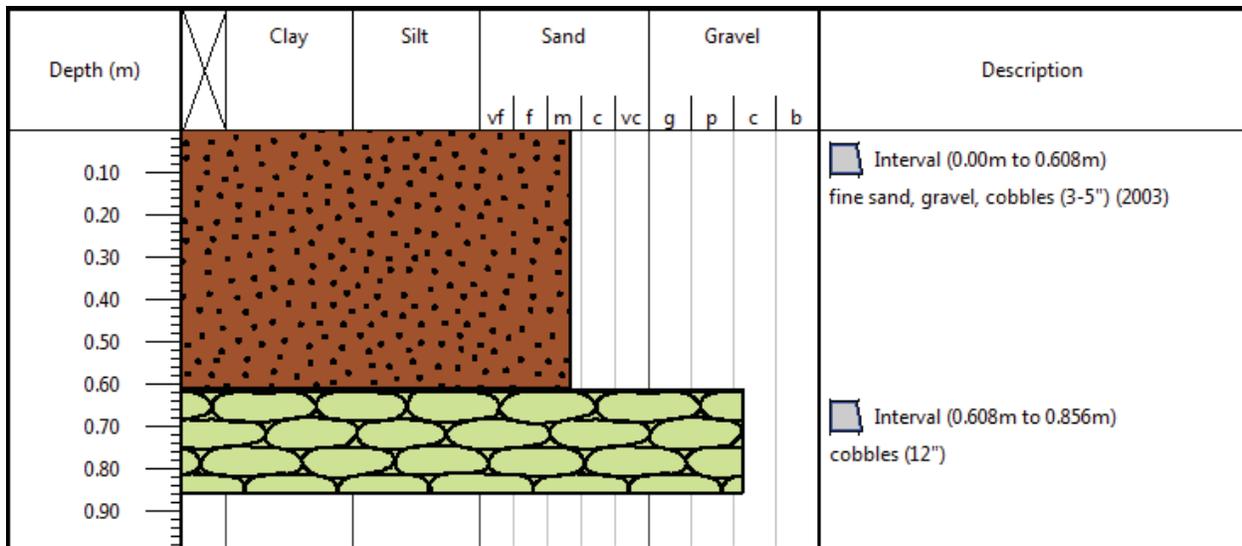


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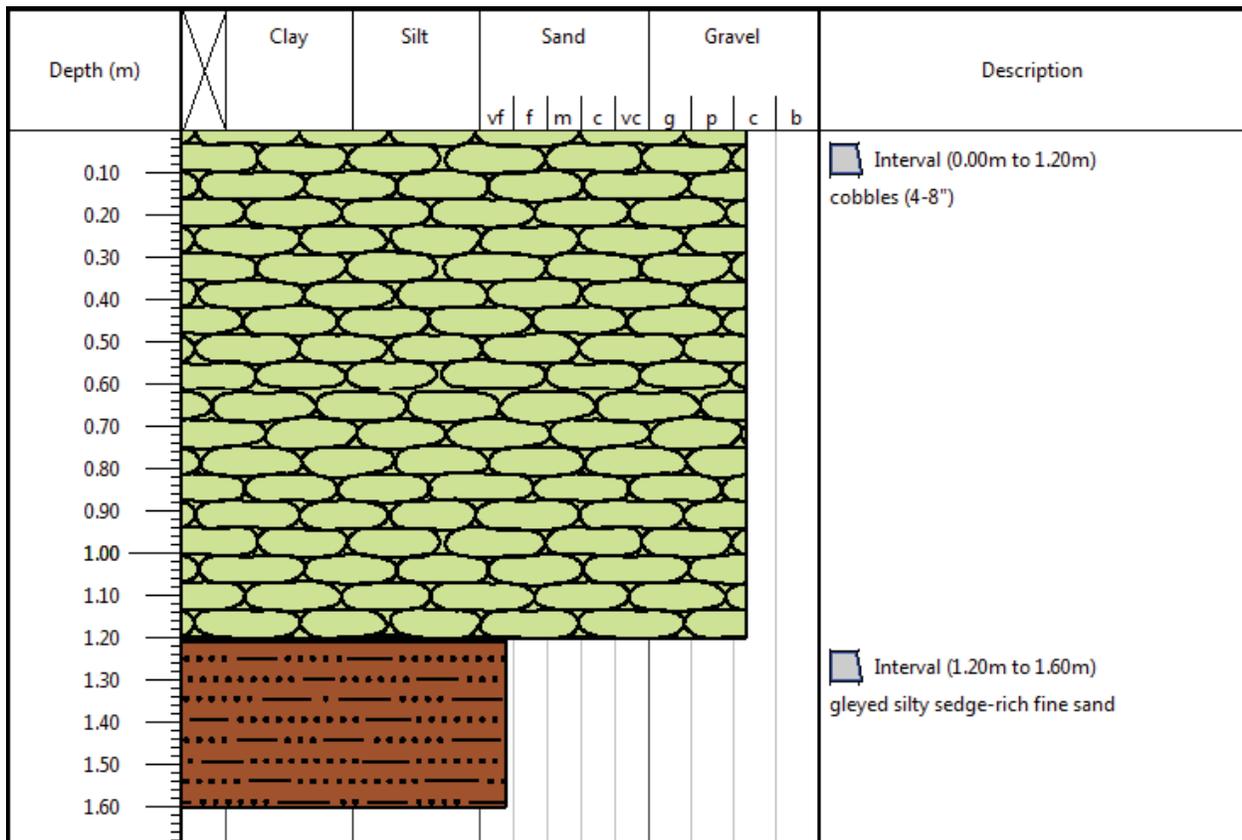


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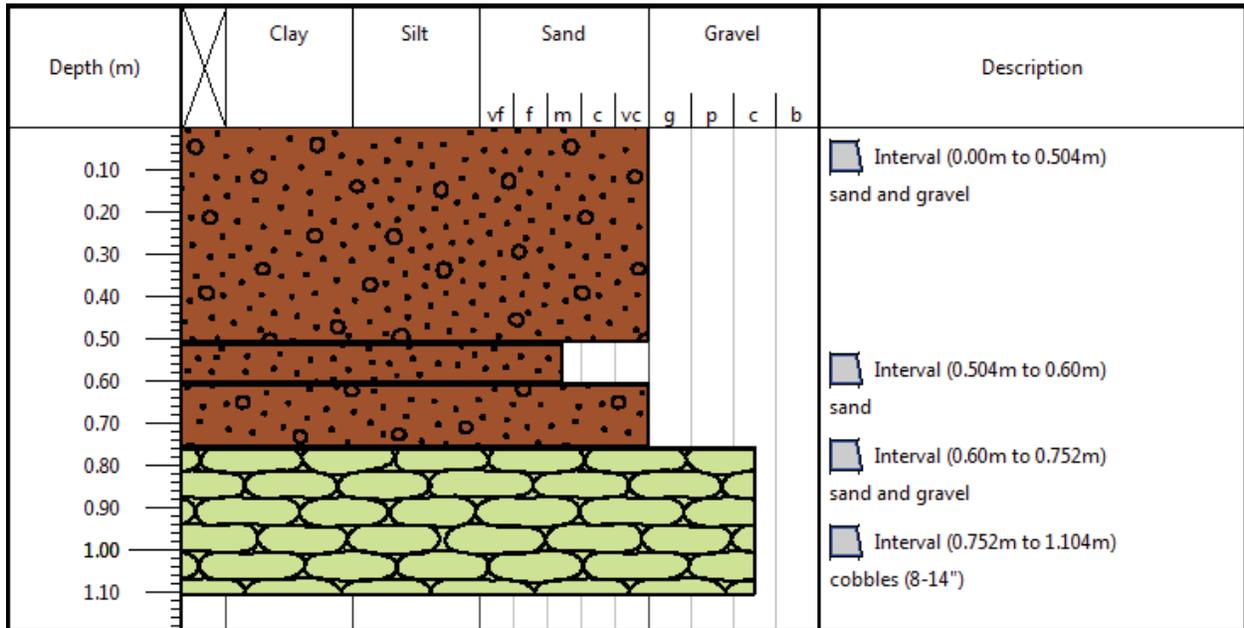


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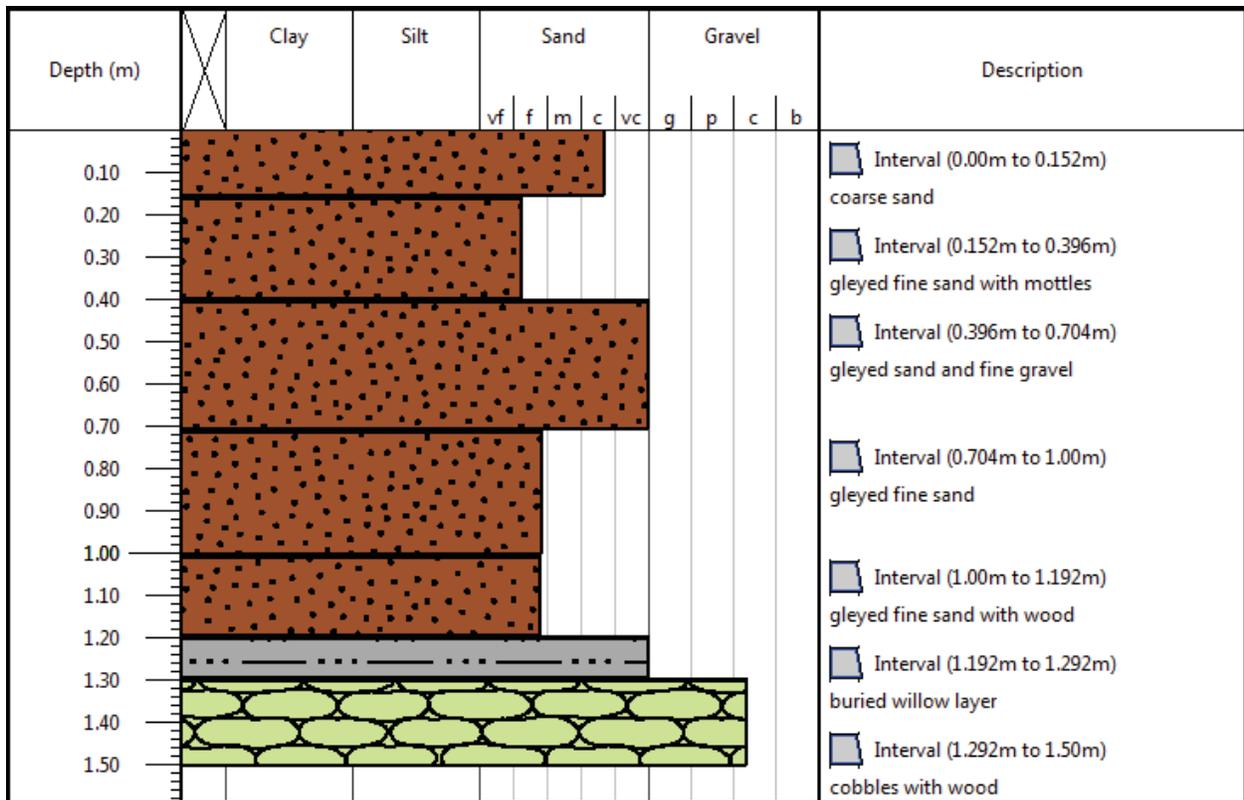


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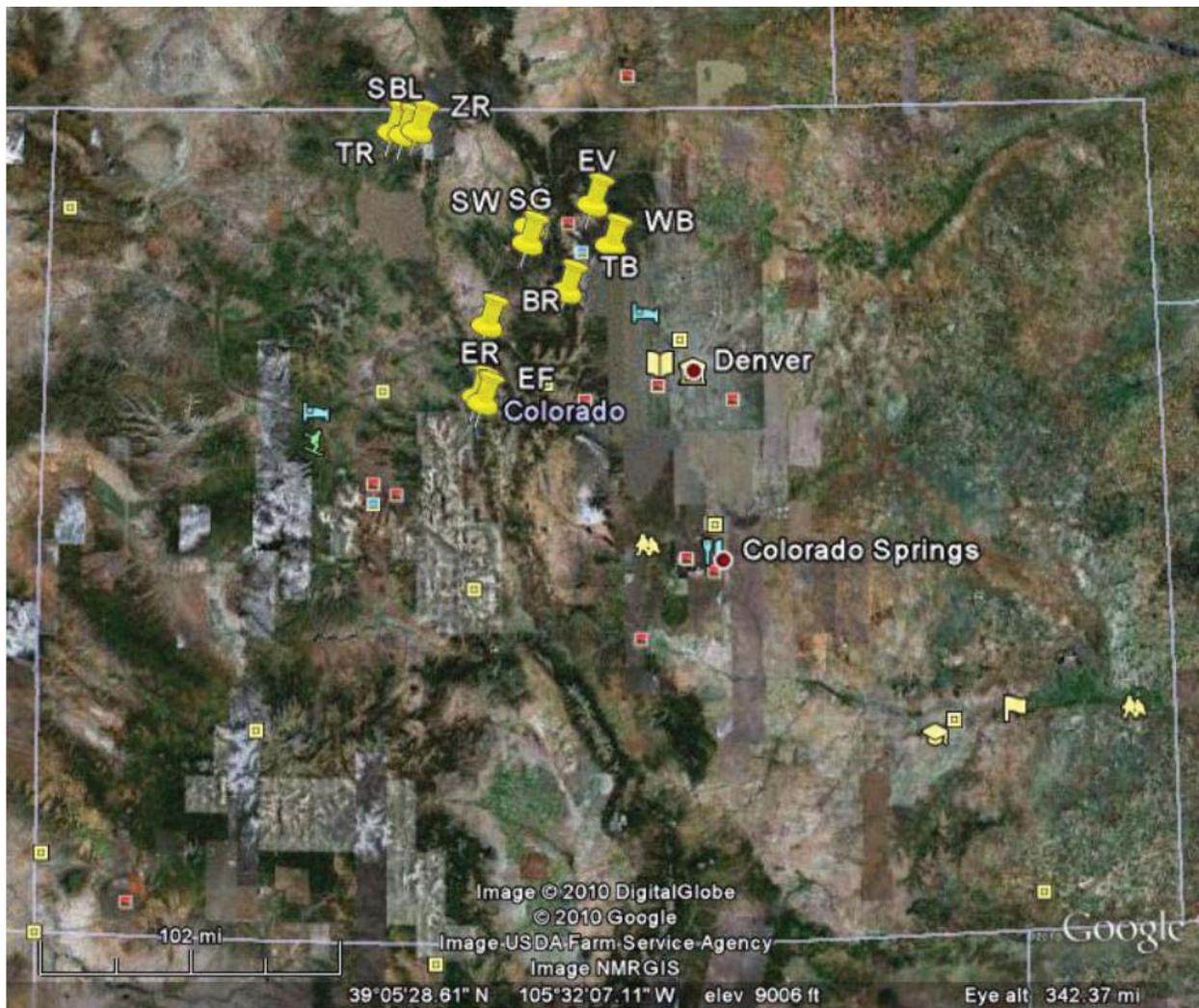


Figure 83: Location map of offsite reference sites. SBL = Willow Creek. TR = Tributary to Elk River. ZR = Elk River. EV = Fall River. WB = North Saint Vrain Creek. TB = Ranch Creek. SW = Willow Creek. SG = Willow Creek. BR = Cataract Creek ER = Homestake Creek. EF = Eagle River.



Figure 84: Offsite reference site survey of Soil texture, DTW, and riparian vegetation community structure. Note the variability of community type at each of these plots due to gradient, stream size, and other environmental factors.



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Species	Avg DTW (cm)	Soil Texture
<i>Salix lasiandra</i>	58	Sandy clay loam
<i>Carex aquatilis</i>	44	Clay loam
<i>Salix geyeriana</i>	64	Sandy clay loam
<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	57	Sandy clay loam and Clay loam
<i>Fragaria virginiana</i>	62	Sandy clay loam
<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	28	Clay loam
<i>Erigeron peregrinus</i>	47	Sandy Loam
<i>Pentaphylloides florabunda</i>	36	Sandy clay loam
<i>Heracleum sphondylium</i>	65	Clay loam
<i>Galium coloradoense</i>	39	Clay
<i>Salix ligulifolia</i>	30	Sandy clay loam

Table 2: The 11 most common species observed at the offsite reference sites. Includes average DTW and soil texture requirements for each species.