DUWAMISH RIVER PEOPLES PARK AND HABITAT AREA T-117 HABITAT RESTORATION PROJECT – SITES 23 & 25

TEST PILE COMBINED MONITORING REPORT

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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

 Plan) is located south of the South Park Marina on the Duwamish River. It will restore 14 acres will create upland habitat and restore priority habitat for Chinook salmon and other imperiled species along 2,000 feet of the Duwamish River shoreline. The site has been identified by other The Duwamish River People's Park and Habitat Area - Terminal 117 Habitat Restoration Project (also known as T117, or Sites 23 & 25 per the Port's Lower Duwamish River Habitat Restoration of estuarine habitat along the river, including subtidal aquatic area, intertidal sediment slopes, intertidal marsh, native riparian/forested buffer, and shoreline access [\(Figure 1\)](#page-5-0). Restoration efforts local, state, tribal, and federal officials as a high priority habitat restoration area.

 As part of this project, the Port is installing a public pedestrian pier and viewpoint in the underwater noise, a novel pile design was tested as part of this project. The Port installed standard Duwamish, which requires support pile and consequently pile driving. Consistent with the Port's commitment to be good stewards of the Puget Sound environment, including by reducing pipe pile and double-walled mandrel pile to assess the efficacy of the latter at reducing noise propagation through both the water and sediment.

 Three types of data were collected to inform the comparison of mandrel pile and single walled pipe pile: underwater noise, atmospheric (in air) noise and ground vibration. This report contains the methods and results for underwater noise monitoring (hydro-acoustics) as well as the results and findings of the in-air and ground vibration monitoring.

2 INTRODUCTION

 Impact pile driving is employed to install pile in locations where vibratory driving methods are deformation, which in turn creates a compression (sound) wave in surrounding waters and between the pile and sediment, causing the wave to reflect upward. This upward-reflected wave methodologies for underwater noise include bubble curtains, pile caps, cofferdams, sleeves, and driving pile in the dry, but these methods are often expensive, time consuming, and inconsistently effective. Reinhall pile were developed as a noise attenuation method that also reduces noise transmission through the sediment. These pile are double-walled, consisting of two concentric tubes connected by a special driving shoe with an air gap between the tubes. They are installed A modification to the Reinhall pile, the mandrel pile, allows for the inner tube to be removed and reused for installation of other pile (Reinhall et al. 2015). The mandrel pile was used for the Tinadequate. Impact hammers strike the pile, transferring energy to the pile, resulting in a temporary substrate. As the compression wave reaches the sediment layer, there is an impedance differential results in an upward moving cone-shaped acoustic field (Reinhall et al. 2015). Current attenuation using traditional hammer equipment, but only the inner pipe is struck. Both tubes are driven into the sediment, so the insulating layer (the air gap) penetrates the sediment with the pile being struck. 117 Project.

 Grette Associates (Grette) was contracted by the Port to record underwater and substrate-borne noise during pile driving of both standard pipe pile (with and without a bubble curtain deployed) and the mandrel pile. The Port conducted in-air monitoring and PanGEO was contracted to record vibration data. This report includes the monitoring results and findings in the following order: 1) hydroacoustic, 2) in-air noise, and 3) vibratory.

Figure 1. T-117 Site Vicinity Map.

3 HYDROACOUSTICS MONITORING REPORT

3.1 Hydroacoustic Monitoring Methods

In-water project elements of the Sites $23 \& 25$ restoration project include installation of sixteen (16) 24-inch steel support pile to support the approximately 180-foot-long pedestrian pier. Initial design proposed installation of nine (9) double-walled mandrel pile and seven (7) standard pipe pile; eight (8) of the 16 pile were to be included in this hydroacoustic study (four [4] standard and four [4] mandrel) to obtain representative samples of noise levels for each pile type at four tidal elevations (Figure 2.a).

Due to operational issues with the double-walled pile, only three double-walled pile were installed: one upland and two in-water. Hydroacoustic data were collected for the one upland and one of the two in-water pile. The remaining thirteen (13) pile installed were standard pipe pile. Hydroacoustic data were collected for three of these: one upland and two in-water. Pile unique identification numbers are shown in Figure 3.

 Figure 2. a) Proposed, and b) Actual hydroacoustic monitoring efforts. Note change of pile type for furthest offshore pile monitored and all pile waterward from Reinhall to standard. North is to the top left.

Figure 3. Pile number locations. Note that north is to the top right (rotated 90° clockwise from Figure 2).

 All pile included in this hydroacoustic monitoring study were impact driven, allowing for cross- comparison of data. Upland standard and Reinhall pile were impact driven with no additional attenuation devices. In-water standard pile were driven with a bubble curtain on except for three approximately thirty-second periods during which the bubble curtain was shut off to record final third of the drive. Reinhall pile were driven with no additional attenuation devices beyond the double-walled design. Pile 3.1.1 Pile Installation
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final third of the dr unattenuated noise levels. These periods occurred toward the first third, the middle third, and the

 All pile included in the study were 24" steel pipe pile. The double-walled mandrel pile included an inner 18" steel pile that was attached at the base by a "shoe." This inner pile was struck by the impact hammer.

 The upland pile (one standard and one double-walled mandrel pile) were installed between +10 and +11 feet MLLW (above the high tide line [HTL]). The in-water pile (one double-walled mandrel and two standard pile) were installed in water between -1 and -5 feet MLLW.

Substrate was common borrow and sand topped with quarry spall and riprap to approximately -10 feet MLLW. Sediment between -10 and -16 feet MLLW was largely well graded sand, changing to silt below that (AECOM 2008).

Hammer Specifications

 165,214-78,909-foot pounds). The fuel setting ranged from 0 for the dead blows to 3 for the The impact hammer used was a Delmag D62-22 diesel pile hammer. The impact weight was 6,200 kilograms (6.8 U.S. tons) with an energy per blow of 224-107 kilonewton meter (kNm; beginning of the drive and 4 for the end of the drive. Two ½-inch micarta and three ½-inch aluminum plates were used as pile caps (2.5 inches total).

Bubble Curtain Specifications

 The bubble curtain was comprised of aerated rings made out of 2.5-inch, schedule 80 marine-grade ¾-inch apart, and placed in four (4) adjacent rows along the top-side of the pipe for uniform air bubble flux when in operation. Each ring was comprised of two halves joined at the ends with the rings to individually "open up" for easier placement (or removal) around a pile. The system aluminum pipe [\(Photograph 2\).](#page-11-0) The rings had 1/16-inch diameter air holes spaced approximately paired hinge plates secured with removable ¾-inch bolt/hardware. The hinged connection allowed provided bubble flux of approximately 32.91 cubic feet per minute per linear foot of pipe in a single layer [\(Photograph 3\)](#page-12-0).

Photograph 1. Impact hammer configuration.

Photograph 2. Bubble curtain during deployment for use on pile P-05.

Photograph 3. Bubble curtain running during impact driving of pile P -05.

3.1.2 Underwater Sound Monitoring Methods

Monitoring Equipment Used

 The hydrophone utilized for monitoring was a Cetacean Research Technologies CR-1 hydrophone. Sound monitoring and analysis equipment used for the project is summarized in [Table 3-1.](#page-13-1)

 Water velocity data from USGS Station No. 12113390 (approximately five miles upstream from the project site) were assessed for the week prior to the start of the project to determine if a flow as high as 1.3 meters per second (m/s). Because the threshold for requiring a flow shield is 1.5 m/s and water velocities at the site location were not available, a flow shield was deployed for shield would be necessary during noise monitoring data collection. The station reported velocities monitoring.

Pile Driving Monitoring

 Monitoring was conducted from the south end of the most inshore float at South Park Marina. This ensured clear acoustic line-of-sight to the pile and minimum horizontal distance of 10 m from the pile [\(Photograph 4\)](#page-15-0). This location was determined to be the best deployment location for both safety and integrity of data reasons. Distances between hydrophone and pile were measured using a rangefinder.

 Water depth was determined using a Laylin Speedtech SM-5 Handheld Depth Meter and verified using a lead line. The hydrophone was deployed at mid-water depth and affixed to the nylon lead SpectraDAQ-200 Data Acquisition Sound Card, which was plugged into the USB port of the line with cable ties. The nylon line was tethered to a cleat; the hydrophone cable was not tethered to minimize unnecessary noise in the recordings. The hydrophone was connected to the laptop.

 Two Grette biologists were on station prior to commencement of pile driving operations for the day. Once a pile was lofted and in position, recording was initiated using the pre-programmed kilohertz (kHz) with a sampling rate of 96 kHz. Monitoring continued until the drive was configuration settings for impact driving. Monitoring equipment was set to 10 hertz (Hz) to 50 complete.

 Pile driving noise for the two in-water standard pile was recorded with the bubble curtain on and off (presence and absence). Pile driving for these pile was initiated with the bubble curtain on. After approximately one-quarter of the pile had been driven, the bubble curtain was shut off for of the way through the drive. 30 seconds, then reactivated. This was repeated approximately halfway and again three-quarters

wave, etc.). Data were recorded as a wave file (.wav) with a backup text file (.txt). Recorded data were saved in raw form, and were not compressed with algorithms or technologies (e.g. MP3, compressed

wave, etc.).
Other data collected included environmental data such as surface water temperature, water depth, water velocity, predicted tide, and weather conditions, and other factors that could influence the underwater sound levels (e.g. aircraft, boats, etc.). Start and stop time of each pile driving event and the time at which the bubble curtain was turned on and off were also recorded.

 After work was completed, the resident engineer provided the substrate composition and approximate depth of significant substrate layers and the project superintendent provided hammer model, size, and energy settings, pile cap specifications and final tip elevation of pile.

 Photograph 4. Hydrophone and equipment setup at T-117 site. Note clear acoustic line-of-sight between corner of dock (hydrophone deployment location) and pile being driven.

3.1.3 Data Processing

 Hydroacoustic data were analyzed using SpectraPLUS-SC unless otherwise indicated. Analysis for each pile included calculation of:

- 1) Total number of pile strikes,
- 2) For all strikes in a drive (upland and Reinhall pile), or all attenuated and all unattenuated strikes in a drive (in-water standard pile with and without a bubble curtain):
	- a. Maximum, mean, and range of the peak sound pressure level (SPL),
	- b. Maximum, mean, and range of the root mean square (RMS) sound pressure across 90% of the strike's energy $(RMS_{90\%})$,
	- c. Maximum, mean, and range of the sound exposure level (SEL) measured 90% of the accumulated sound energy (SEL90%),
- 3) Cumulative SEL (cSEL) across all pile strikes,
- 4) Max peak SPL calculated at 10 m using the Practical Spreading Loss Model,
- 5) For subsets (five strikes each) in the first, second, third, and fourth quarter of each drive, and for the first, second, and third unattenuated segments for the standard pile without the bubble curtain:
	- a. Maximum, mean, and range of the peak SPL,
	- b. Maximum, mean, and range of the $RMS_{90\%}$,
	- c. Maximum, mean, and range of the SEL90%,
	- d. A frequency spectrum, with and without attenuation, between 20 Hz and 20 kHz for up to eight successive strikes with similar sound levels.

 calculation of means and ranges, as were the attenuated portions of the drive for each pile. For For pile that were driven with a bubble curtain, the portion of the time series that was recorded during the transition from the bubble curtain being activated and shut off was not included in the noise analysis. This was done to reduce noise in the data from that period in both the attenuated and unattenuated samples. The three 30-second samples were combined into one file for the subsets, five strikes were included in each subset, spaced approximately 15 seconds apart.

3.2 Hydroacoustics Results

 Hydroacoustic data were collected on January 19, February 8, and February 9, 2021. The upland standard pile was driven on January 19, the upland double-walled mandrel pile was driven on February 8, and the three in-water pile were driven on February 9. Weather conditions were cold (30s to 40s F) and cloudy and cold and sunny.

Per the T-117 Hydroacoustic Study Plan, the following results are included in this report:

- 1. The impact hammer model energy rating used to drive the pile;
- 2. The physical characteristics of the bottom substrate into which the pile were driven;
- 3. The size and type of pile;
- 4. The distance between hydrophone and pile;
- 5. The distance between the hydrophone and the water's edge and water's edge to pile for upland pile;
- 6. The depth of the hydrophone and depth of water at hydrophone locations;
- 7. The depth of water in which the pile were driven;
- 8. The depth into the substrate that the pile were driven;
- 9. The results of the hydroacoustic monitoring as listed in Section [0.](#page-15-1)

 Items 1 and 2 are reported in Sections [0](#page-9-1) and [0.](#page-9-2) Items 3-8 are presented in [Table 3-2.](#page-17-1) Items 9 and 10 are reported below and summarized in [Table 3-3.](#page-18-2)

Reporting Requirement	$P-02 S(S)$	$P-02 N(R)$	$P-04(R)$	$P-05(S)$	$P-06(S)$
Pile location	Upland	Upland	In-Water	In-Water	In-Water
Size of pile	24"	24"	24"	24"	24"
Type of pile	Standard	Reinhall	Reinhall	Standard	Standard
Distance hydrophone to pile (yds)	28	25	19	24	30
Distance hydrophone to water's edge (yds)	19	20	N/A	N/A	N/A
Distance from pile to water's edge (vds)	9	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Depth of hydrophone (ft)	6	$\overline{7}$	7.5	7.5	7.5
Depth of water at hydrophone (ft)	11.5	14	14.5	15.5	15.25
Depth of water in which pile was driven (ft)	Dry	Dry	9	15	13
Final tip elevation	-44.02	-45.53	-43.56	-44.08	-46.63

 Table 3-2. Summary of pile and hydrophone data for the T-117 Hydroacoustic Monitoring Study.

Summary of hydroacoustic results for all pile in the T-117 "(M)" indicates mandrel pile. "A" indicates with attenuation (bubble curtain), "NA" indicates no *3.2.1 Summary of all Pile* **Table 3-3. Summary of hydroacoustic results for all pile in the T-117 study. "(S)" indicates standard pipe pile, attenuation.**

¹ Peak SPL standardized at 10 m using the Practical Spreading Loss model.

3.2.2 P-02 S – Upland Standard Pile

Field Data

 Upland standard pile P-02 S was driven on January 19, beginning at 14:16 and ending at 14:37. Active driving once the pile was aligned began at 14:21. Total drive time was 21 minutes with 16 minutes of active driving.

Surface water temperature was approximately 43° F and water velocity (as recorded at the USGS Station #12113390) was 2.98 feet per second. Weather was partly cloudy to sunny with an air temperature of 44° F and winds 3-6 miles per hour.

Hydroacoustic Data

Full Drive

 Pile P-02 S required 662 strikes to reach final tip elevation. The drive increased in volume as the pile was driven deeper [\(Figure 3-1\)](#page-19-1). The mean peak SPL for all strikes in the drive was 189 dB with a range of 179-194 dB. The mean RMS_{90%} for all strikes was 177 dB and the range was 168-180 dB. Mean SEL90% was 162 dB with a range of 153-165 dB. cSEL for all strikes was 191 dB.

 effort to standardize results for comparison purposes, the max peak SPL was run through the Although this was an upland pile and the Practical Spreading Loss Model may not apply, in an model. The max peak SPL for this pile at 10 meters was 200 dB_{peak}.

Subsets

 Hydroacoustic data were analyzed for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of this drive. Results are presented in [Table 3-4.](#page-19-0) Frequency spectra for subsets of eight strikes in each quarter of the drive are presented in Appendix A in Section [7.1.1.](#page-40-2)

 Table 3-4. Summary of hydroacoustics results for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of the drive for pile P-02 S.

Segment	Peak SPL (dB)			RMS90% (dB)		$SEL90\%$ (dB)	
	Mean	Range	$@10$ m	Mean	Range	Mean	Range
1st Q	184	183-184	190	174	173-175	159	159-160
2ndQ	186	186-187	193	175	175	161	161
3rd Q	192	192-193	199	178	178-179	163	163-164
4th Q	193	193-194	200	180	180	165	164-165

3.2.3 P-02 N – Upland Double-Walled Mandrel Pile

Field Data

 beginning at 9:50 and ending at 10:36. Driving was initiated at 9:50, but the pile required realignment several times and steady driving began at 10:03. At 10:06, the drive was stopped again and resumed at 10:10. Driving continued steadily from then until the pile was installed, Upland double-walled mandrel pile P-02 N was driven on February 8, with driving efforts ending at 10:36. Total time from initiation to completion was 46 minutes with 29 minutes of active driving once the pile was set.

 Surface water temperature was approximately 42° F and water velocity (as recorded at the USGS Station #12113390) was 2.5 feet per second. Weather was overcast with an air temperature of 38° F and winds 6-8 miles per hour.

Hydroacoustic Data

Full Drive

 Pile P-02 N required 1,118 strikes to reach final tip elevation. The drive increased in volume as the pile was driven deeper [\(Figure 3-2\)](#page-21-2). The mean peak SPL for all strikes in the drive was 188 dB with a range of 141-195 dB. The mean RMS90% for all strikes was 176 dB and the range was 129-183 dB. Mean SEL90% was 162 dB with a range of 127-168 dB. cSEL for all strikes was 194 dB.

 apply, in an effort to standardize results for comparison purposes, the max peak SPL was run through the model. The max peak SPL for this upland double-walled pile at 10 meters was also As with P-02 S, although this was an upland pile and the Practical Spreading Loss Model may not 200 dBpeak.

Subsets

 Hydroacoustic data were analyzed for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of this drive. Results are presented in [Table 3-5.](#page-21-1) Frequency spectra for subsets of eight strikes in each quarter of the drive are presented in Appendix A in Section [7.1.2.](#page-44-0)

 Table 3-5. Summary of hydroacoustics results for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of the drive for pile P-02 N.

Segment	Peak SPL (dB)			RMS90% (dB)		$SEL90\%$ (dB)	
	Mean	Range	@10 _m	Mean	Range	Mean	Range
1st Q	186	185-186	191	174	173-175	161	160-161
2ndQ	188	188	193	177	177	162	162
3rd Q	191	190-191	196	179	179	165	164-165
4th Q	194	194	199	183	183	168	167-168

3.2.4 P-04 – In-Water Double-Walled Mandrel Pile

Field Data

 computer used for recording was switched out with a new one due to low battery concerns. The time with no recording was less than one minute. The drive was complete at 9:51. Total time from initiation to completion was 47 minutes with 35 minutes of active driving once the pile was set. In-water double-walled mandrel pile P-04 was driven on February 9, with driving efforts beginning at 9:04 and ending at 9:51. Driving was initiated at 9:04 and became steady at 9:16. At 9:24, the For the last several minutes of the drive, mud was observed splattering from the top of the inner mandrel and hitting the surface of the water. After the drive was complete, the hydroacoustic monitoring team was informed that pile tip elevation was not reached and efforts were aborted in order to avoid damaging the hammer by striking mud instead of the pile.

Surface water temperature was approximately 41° F and water velocity (as recorded at the USGS Station #12113390) was 2.4 feet per second. Weather was sunny with scattered clouds with an air temperature of 31° F and winds at 8 miles per hour.

Hydroacoustic Data

Full Drive

 Pile P-04 required 1,390 strikes to reach final tip elevation. The drive increased in volume in the initial portion of the drive, then decreased and plateaued before increasing again at the end of the drive [\(Figure 3-3](#page-23-0) and [Figure 3-4\)](#page-24-1). During this drive, the mandrel (inner pile being struck by the effort was aborted prior to reaching target tip elevation. The space between the mandrel and the hammer) filled with sediment throughout the drive, resulting in poor contact between the hammer and the pile. Hammer power was reduced to avoid damage to the hammer, and eventually the outer pile remained intact.

The mean peak SPL for all strikes in the drive was 201 dB with a range of 181-209 dB. The mean RMS_{90%} for all strikes was 189 dB and the range was 168-197 dB. Mean SEL_{90%} was 176 dB with a range of 155-184 dB. cSEL for all strikes was 206 dB.

To standardize results for comparison purposes, the max peak SPL was run through the model.
The max peak SPL for this double-walled pile at 10 meters was 212 dB_{peak}.

 equipment and the cold. Note the break in driving as pile was readjusted. Figure 3-3. Time series for first half of the drive for the in-water double-walled mandrel pile P-04. This drive was recorded in two files due to change computers after batteries were drained quickly by the

 Figure 3-4. Time series for second half of the drive for the in-water double-walled mandrel pile P-04. Note another break in driving as pile was checked for level. The time on the second computer was not calibrated properly so the time reported on the x-axis is not correct.

Subsets

 Hydroacoustic data were analyzed for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of this drive. Results are presented in [Table 3-6](#page-24-0)[Table 3-5.](#page-21-1) Frequency spectra for subsets of eight strikes in each quarter of the drive are presented in Appendix A in Section [7.1.3.](#page-48-0)

 Table 3-6. Summary of hydroacoustics results for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of the drive for pile P-04.

Segment		Peak SPL (dB)		RMS90% (dB)		$SEL90\%$ (dB)	
	Mean	Range	$@10$ m	Mean	Range	Mean	Range
$1st$ O	208	208-209	212	195	195-196	183	182-183
2ndQ	204	204-205	208	193	193	179	179-180
3rd Q	199	199-200	203	188	187-188	174	174-175
4th Q	201	201	204	189	189	175	175-176

3.2.5 P-05 – In-Water Standard Pile

Field Data

 ending at 14:56. Driving was conducted with the use of a bubble curtain for attenuation. For the purposes of assessing the difference in noise levels with and without attenuation, the bubble curtain was shut off for three 30-second periods: at 14:47, 14:49, and 14:52. Total drive time was 27 In-water standard pile P-05 was driven on February 9, with driving efforts beginning at 14:29 and minutes.

 Surface water temperature was approximately 42° F and water velocity (as recorded at the USGS Station #12113390) was 2.3 feet per second. Weather was sunny with scattered clouds with an air temperature of 41° F and winds at 6 miles per hour.

Hydroacoustic Data

Full Drive

 Pile P-05 required 523 strikes to reach final tip elevation. The in-water noise volume remained which the bubble curtain was deactivated (Figure 3-5). relatively steady as the pile was driven with the exception of the three 30-second segments during

 which the bubble curtain was deactivated [\(Figure 3-5\)](#page-26-0). The mean peak SPL for strikes with attenuation (the bubble curtain activated) was 198 dB with a range of 196-202 dB. The mean RMS_{90%} for these strikes was 187 dB and the range was 183-190 dB. Mean SEL90% was 174 dB with a range of 171-176 dB.

a range of 202-207 dB. The mean RMS_{90%} for these strikes was 193 dB and the range was 191-The mean peak SPL for strikes without attenuation (the bubble curtain shut off) was 205 dB with 196 dB. Mean SEL90% was 179 dB with a range of 177-181 dB.

cSEL for all strikes was 202 dB.

cSEL for all strikes was 202 dB.
To standardize results for comparison purposes, the max peak SPL was run through the model for both the attenuated and unattenuated portions of the drive. The max peak SPL with the bubble curtain at 10 meters was 206 dB_{peak} and without the bubble curtain was 212 dB_{peak}.

 Figure 3-5. Time series for in-water standard pile P-05.

Subsets

 Hydroacoustic data were analyzed for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth inactive. Results are presented in [Table 3-7](#page-27-1)[Table 3-5.](#page-21-1) Frequency spectra for subsets of eight quarters of this drive and from each of the three segments during which the bubble curtain was strikes during the same seven segments are presented in Appendix A in Section [7.1.4.](#page-52-0)

Segment	Peak SPL (dB)			RMS90% (dB)		$SEL90\%$ (dB)	
	Mean	Range	$@10$ m	Mean	Range	Mean	Range
1st Q	200	199-200	205	188	188-189	175	174-175
1st NA	206	206-207	212	195	195-196	181	180-181
2ndQ	199	198-200	205	188	188-189	174	174
2nd NA	205	204-205	210	193	192-194	179	178-180
3rd Q	197	197-198	203	186	186-187	173	172-173
3rd NA	204	203-205	210	192	190-194	178	177-179
4th Q	196	196-197	202	186	185-186	172	171-173

 Table 3-7. Summary of hydroacoustics results for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of the drive for pile P-05 and during each of the three segments with the bubble curtain inactive (NA = no attenuation).

3.2.6 P-06 – In-Water Standard Pile

Field Data

 ending at 16:31. Driving was conducted with the use of a bubble curtain for attenuation. For the purposes of assessing the difference in noise levels with and without attenuation, the bubble curtain was shut off for three 30-second periods: at 16:19, 16:21, and 16:24. Total drive time was 15 In-water standard pile P-06 was driven on February 9, with driving efforts beginning at 16:17 and minutes.

 Surface water temperature was approximately 42° F and water velocity (as recorded at the USGS Station #12113390) was 2.3 feet per second. Weather was sunny with scattered clouds with an air temperature of 41° F and winds at 6 miles per hour.

Hydroacoustic Data

Full Drive

 Pile P-06 required 562 strikes to reach final tip elevation. The in-water noise volume remained relatively steady as the pile was driven with the exception of the three 30-second segments during which the bubble curtain was deactivated [\(Figure 3-6\)](#page-28-0).

 The mean peak SPL for strikes with attenuation (the bubble curtain activated) was 197 dB with a range of 183-201 dB. The mean RMS_{90%} for these strikes was 186 dB and the range was 172-190 dB. Mean SEL90% was 172 dB with a range of 158-176 dB.

The mean peak SPL for strikes without attenuation (the bubble curtain shut off) was 204 dB with a range of 201-208 dB. The mean RMS90% for these strikes was 193 dB and the range was 191- 196 dB. Mean SEL90% was 180 dB with a range of 178-181 dB.

cSEL for all strikes was 202 dB.

cSEL for all strikes was 202 dB.
To standardize results for comparison purposes, the max peak SPL was run through the model for both the attenuated and unattenuated portions of the drive. The max peak SPL with the bubble curtain at 10 meters was 207 dBpeak and without the bubble curtain was 214 dBpeak.

 Figure 3-6. Time series for in-water standard pile P-06.

Subsets

 Hydroacoustic data were analyzed for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth inactive. Results are presented in [Table 3-8](#page-29-1)[Table 3-5.](#page-21-1) Frequency spectra for subsets of eight quarters of this drive and from each of the three segments during which the bubble curtain was strikes during the same seven segments are presented in Appendix A in Section [7.1.5.](#page-59-0)

Segment	Peak SPL (dB)			RMS90% (dB)		$SEL90\%$ (dB)	
	Mean	Range	@10 _m	Mean	Range	Mean	Range
1st Q	197	194-200	206	186	183-188	173	171-175
1st NA	204	201-205	211	193	192-194	180	179-180
2ndQ	199	199-200	206	188	187-189	175	174-175
2nd NA	203	201-204	210	193	191-194	179	178-180
3rd Q	195	194-195	201	183	183-184	170	170-171
3rd NA	206	205-207	213	194	193-195	181	180-181
4th Q	197	197-198	204	188	187-188	173	173-174

 Table 3-8. Summary of hydroacoustics results for subsets of five strikes in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of the drive for pile P-06 and during each of the three segments with the bubble curtain inactive (NA = no attenuation).

Hydroacoustics Observations

 Grette biologists noted any possible contributors of noise to the study while in the field. Due to the hydrophone from the planes. No vessels passed the project site in the Duwamish River during proximity to SeaTac Airport, airplanes commonly passed overhead, but no noise was detected on hydroacoustic recording. No other sources of additional noise were observed.

3.3 Hydroacoustics Discussion

 Due to operational issues with the double-walled mandrel pile, only three of these pile were installed: one upland and two in-water. As the pile were driven, mud filled the inner pipe (mandrel) until the hammer no longer made contact with the steel driving surface of the pile. Because of this, use of the test pile was abandoned for the remainder of the project.

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 strikes as the equivalent standard pile. This may have been due to the hammer striking mud instead of the driving surface of the pile and thus requiring a decrease in hammer power and an increase in number of strikes. The second in-water pile (the first in-water standard pile) was driven with the mandrel shoe attached but without the inner mandrel, so the shoe was not likely the cause of Installation of the both double-walled mandrel pile required approximately double the number of the higher strike count.

 The shape of both upland pile time series profiles showed that volume increased as the pile were driven deeper into the sediment. The in-water mandrel pile's profile shape was less consistent and clear, possibly due to the adjustments in hammer power to accommodate the clogged mandrel. The in-water standard piles' profiles showed very consistent volume throughout the drive. One of sediment, in contrast to the water column-only attenuation provided by a bubble curtain. The the intended benefits of the double-walled pile design is to ensure sound attenuation through the

 shape of the sound profiles suggests that the mandrel pile did not attenuate sound considerably differently than the standard pile. The peak SPLs @10 m in each quarter of the drives were also not considerably different (standard = 190 dB, 193 dB, 199 dB, and 200 dB; mandrel = 191 dB, 193 dB, 196 dB, and 199 dB). The mean peak SPL for the in-water mandrel pile was between the @10 m, the mean peak SPL for the in-water mandrel pile was the same as the unattenuated standard pile (mandrel = 212 dB_{peak}; standard attenuated = 206 and 207 dB_{peak}, standard unattenuated = 212 and 214 dB_{peak}). Again, the efficacy of the attenuation may have been means for the attenuated and unattenuated levels for the standard in-water pile. When standardized compromised with the inner pipe filled with material.

 Cumulative SEL for the upland mandrel pile was higher than that of the upland standard pile (194 dB vs 191 dB), and cSEL for the in-water mandrel was the highest recorded of all five pile (206 dB vs. 202 for both standard pile). However, the number of strikes was considerably higher for the mandrel pile which would lead to higher cSEL.

 The efficacy of Reinhall pile has been tested in two field test projects in Puget Sound. In December 2015, hydroacoustic data were collected during installations of test 30-inch double-walled Reinhall pile, double-walled mandrel pile, and single-walled control pile. These tests were conducted in Bay study, a bubble curtain was used on the control pile, but in the Vashon Island study, orientation of pile did not allow for use of a bubble curtain. The Commencement Bay site was chosen to Commencement Bay and at the north end of Vashon Island, Washington. In the Commencement represent soft substrate conditions, whereas the Vashon Island test was conducted in significantly denser glacial tills (Reinhall et al. 2015).

 reduced by 21 dB by using the double-walled pile and 23 dB by using a mandrel pile compared with only 6 dB using a single-walled pile with a bubble curtain (Reinhall et al. 2015). Results of the Vashon Island study showed that both double-walled pile reduced peak sound volumes by 12 walled pile than the single-walled without a bubble curtain. During installation, pile were chained Results of the Commencement Bay study showed that peak sound pressure (measured at 8 m) was dBPEAK compared to the single-wall control pile without a bubble curtain (measured at 20 m from the pile; Soderberg and Laughlin 2016). RMS values were 5 and 7 dB_{RMS} lower with the doubleto a temporary steel driving template by the contractor, which reduced overall attenuation as a result of metal to metal contact and precluded use of a bubble curtain.

 studies. Peak sound pressure of the upland pile @10 m was the same for both the double-walled and the standard pile (200 dB_{peak}), and for the in-water pile were approximately the same as the standard pile without the bubble curtain (a 6 dB_{peak} increase). Mean RMS values for the doublewalled pile were between those for the standard pile (mandrel = 189 dB_{RMS} ; standard attenuated = As discussed above, the results of the T-117 study were not consistent with those of the prior two 187 and 186 dB_{RMS}, standard unattenuated = 193 dB_{RMS} for both).

4 IN-AIR MONITORING

 4.1 In-Air Monitoring Methods

Port of Seattle staff was onsite to monitor ambient in-air noise and in-air noise during installation of pile on January 12, 14, 15, 19, and 20, and February 8-11, 2021. In-air noise was recorded at the intersection of Dallas Avenue South and 17th Avenue South. This was the site property line, approximately 140-180 feet from the pile installation locations and 1-11 feet above the finish pile grade. Pile monitored included one net attachment steel pipe pile, one debris deflector steel pipe pile, and support pile numbers P-02S, P-02N, P-03, P-04, P-05, P-06, P-07, P-09NW, and P09- NE.

Data were collected using a Gen Rad Sound Level Meter (GenRad Precision Integrating Sound-Level Meter and Analyzer, GR1988-9700/9710). Results are reported as equivalent time averaged sound pressure levels, during a 10 second period (10 second/leq). This is the sound pressure level of noise fluctuating over 10 seconds when using a 3-decibel exchange rate, expressed as the amount of energy. Results include the mean, low, and high average sound pressure levels recorded and the low and high peak sound pressure levels for background, ambient noise (with no equipment operating or simply idling construction equipment) and piling installation noise, including vibratory and impact pile driving noise.

4.2 In-Air Monitoring Results

A summary of pile driving noise levels is presented in 2-1. Data are raw, not weighted or corrected for distance.

4.2.1 Pile Driving Results Table

Table 4-1. Summary of all pile driving in-air noise monitoring results.

 4.3 In-Air Monitoring Discussion

 The data did not reveal any compelling differences in in-air noise between standard and double- walled mandrel pile during impact pile driving. When comparing upland standard and double- walled mandrel pile, the difference in average Leq at the end of the drive was 2.5 dB, with the was only impact-driven at the end of the drive). For in-water pile, the average Leq for the two mandrel pile were within 2 dB of each other at all three stages of the drive; the two most inshore standard pile were also within 2 dB of each other at the beginning and middle of the drive, and 3 dB at the end of the drive. The average Leq for the beginning, middle, and end of the drive for the two in-water mandrel pile were 83.05 dB, 84 dB, and 83.85 dB, respectively. The average Leq for the same segments for the two standard pile closest to the mandrel pile were 85.45 dB, 85.2 dB, mandrel pile being the louder of the two (P-02S was driven with a vibratory hammer to refusal and and 83.45 dB, respectively.

5 VIBRATION MONITORING

 5.1 Vibration Monitoring Methods

 The purpose of the monitoring was to determine how the magnitude of vibration, measured as peak PanGEO performed vibration monitoring during installation of the structural piles (both Reinhall and non-Reinhall piles) for the proposed pedestrian pier, for both vibratory and impact hammers. particle velocity, attenuates with distance from the source of vibration.

 The levels of vibrations as determined by peak particle velocities (PPV) were measured using *MiniMate Plus* monitoring units manufactured by Instantel®. The three components (transverse, axial transducer placed at distances of 10 to 100 feet from the source of vibration. The peak particle longitudinal and vertical) of the peak particle velocities were recorded simultaneously using a trivelocities summarized in Section [5.2.5](#page-37-1) are calculated as a vector sum of the three components.

 5.2 Vibration Monitoring Results

 As requested, a PanGEO representative was on-site on February 1, 8, 9, 10, and 11, 2021 to provide continuous monitoring of the installation of pipe piles at Sites 23 and 25 for the Terminal 117 Habitat Restoration project. A total of 14 piles were installed, which include 12 structural piles for supporting the pedestrian pier, and 2 treaty piles (non-structural). The locations of the observed piles are shown on Appendix B - Attachment 1- Modified Habitat Plan, Sheets C5.0 through C5.3. While on-site on February 8, 9, and 10, we also provided vibration monitoring during the installation of the structural piles. The following summarizes our field observations:

5.2.1 Brief Daily Summary

- **2/1** Install 2 treaty piles P-12-22 and P-12-26 with vibratory hammer.
- **2/8** Install 2 structural piles P-02N and P-03 (both Reinhall) with diesel impact hammer.
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- **2/11** Install 4 structural piles P-09NE, P-09S, P-10N, and P-10S (non-Reinhall with bubble curtain) with diesel impact hammer.

5.2.2 Pile Installation

Treaty Piles

On February 1, PanGEO observed American Construction install two (2) non-structural treaty piles using an ICE 44B Vibratory hammer at the locations shown in Appendix B - Attachment 1. The treaty piles consisted of 40-foot lengths of 12¾-inch diameter ASTM A252 Grade 3 steel pipes with a 0.50-inch wall thickness, which was revised from the 24-inch diameter 5/8-inch thick piles specified in the permitted plan set dated June 11, 2020. We understand that the revision was part of an approved submittal from October 2020.

Our observations for treaty pile installation are summarized below:
- *P-12-22* American Construction previously attempted to install P-12-22 on January 21, 2021 but encountered an obstruction about 15 feet below grade at the design location (see PanGEO Field Report #2). During our site visit on February 1, 2021 PanGEO observed American Construction install pile P-12-22 approximately 40 feet upstream (south) of the design location, per recommendation from the structural engineer. The pile was vibrated to a tip elevation of approximately $-13\frac{1}{2}$ feet below existing grade before encountering an obstruction, which is about $6\frac{1}{2}$ feet higher than the design tip elevation of -20 feet. Based on conversations with American Construction, the as-built pile tip elevation (-13 1/2 feet) of pile P-12-22 was approved by the structural engineer the same day.
- *P-12-26* Pile P-12-26 was vibrated into the ground at the design location until reaching the design tip elevation of –20 feet.

At this time, the installation of all 8 treaty piles have been completed per the design plans.

Pedestrian Pier Piles

On February 8, 9, 10, 11, 2021, we observed the pile contractor, American Construction, install a total of twelve (12) structural piles (including 3 Reinhall piles) for the proposed pier located in the north portion of Site 23. All piles were installed using a Delmag D62-22 diesel impact hammer. Horizontal and vertical control for the project was provided by a nearby benchmark and verified by American Construction with a total station theodolite during driving of the piles.

 long, 18-inch diameter open-ended steel pile with 0.8-inch wall thickness used only for pile driving The installed Reinhall structural piles consisted of 24-inch diameter ASTM A252 Grade 3, openend steel pipe pile (0.75-inch wall thickness) structurally attached to a proprietary tip assembly with inner rings, delivered to the site in 64-foot length (see Plate 1, Page 6). The Reinhall pile also consists of a smaller pile (mandrel) located inside the structural pile and the mandrel is 66-foot purpose. The mandrel, directly impacted by the diesel hammer (see Plate 2, Page 6) hit the inner rings of the (outside) structural pile to drive the pile into the ground. After installation, the mandrel was extracted.

 The reminder of the structural piles (non-Reinhall piles) consisted of 24-inch diameter ASTM foot length. Six (6) originally planned Reinhall piles (P-06, P-07, P-09S, P-09NW, P-10N, P-10S) A252 Grade 3, open-end steel pipe pile with 0.75-inch wall thickness delivered to the site in 61 were replaced with non-Reinhall piles, as detailed in the section below.

5.2.3 Pile Driving (Reinhall Piles)

We observed American install Reinhall Piles P-02N and P-03 to the design tip elevation of -44 feet on February 8. Each pile was driven with a separate mandrel (no reuse of mandrel).

 feet at the end of the pile driving. In our opinion, based on our observations of the pile installation and the number of blow counts we observed at the end of the impact pile driving, it is our opinion Blow counts for the final foot of pile driving was about 54 to 63 blows per foot. Based on the number of blow counts per minute we observed, the corresponding hammer stroke was about 10 that the installed piles are adequate to support the design ultimate load of 90 kips per pile.

 with soils, which significantly increased the driving resistance. As a result, American was unable On February 9, PanGEO observed American attempt to drive Reinhall pile P-04 using the mandrel that was previously used to drive P-02N. During driving, the inside of the mandrel became plugged

 we understand that the structural engineer has approved the at- built pile tip elevation -43 feet for minute and the corresponding hammer stroke (-10 feet) and the number of blow counts $(80+)$ blows/ft) we observed at the end of the impact pile driving, it is our opinion that the installed pile to drive the pile to the design tip elevation of -44 feet, meeting refusal at tip elevation of about -43 feet (with about 80+ blows/ft at the end of the pile driving). American contacted the owner and structural engineer on the same day to discuss the issue. Based on conversations with American, pile P-04. From a geotechnical standpoint, based on the observed number of blow counts per P-04 with the at-built pile tip elevation -43 feet is adequate to support the design ultimate load of 90 kips per pile.

Because the mandrel that was plugged with soils and cannot be re-used for pile driving, the reminder of the originally proposed Reinhall piles (P-06, P-07, P-09S, P-09NW, P-10N, P-10S) are to be installed with non-Reinhall piles using a bubble curtain per the Port of Seattle.

5.2.4 Pile Driving (Non-Reinhall Piles)

 (see Plate 3, Page 7). All piles were installed using a bubble curtain (steel ring with holes that releases bubbles of compressed air) to reduce the propagation of acoustic waves from the pile of blow counts per minute we observed, the corresponding hammer stroke was about 9 feet at the number of blow counts we observed at the end of the impact pile driving, it is our opinion that the On the afternoon of February 9 and on February 10 and 11, PanGEO observed American install the remaining 9 structural piles (non-Reinhall piles) using a Delmag D62-22 diesel impact hammer driving (see Plate 4, Page 7). All installed structural piles were driven to approximately design pile tip Elevation -44 feet or deeper (about 26 to 40 feet below the existing site grades) with a blow count of about 22 to 38 blows per foot for the final foot of the pile driving. Based on the number end of the pile driving. In our opinion, based on our observations of the pile installation and the installed piles are adequate to support the design ultimate load of 90 kips per pile.

Detailed installation records for the twelve structural piles which include the recorded blows per foot and blows per minute during impact, estimated tip elevation and date/time of installation are included as Appendix B - Attachment 2.

At this time, the installation of all 16 structural piles (for pedestrian pier) and 10 non-structural piles (8 treaty piles and 2 debris deflector piles) have been completed per the design plans.

5.2.5 Vibration Monitoring

Results of our vibration measurements are summarized and plotted on Figure 1 – Summary of Vibration Measurements, found on Page 8 of this report. Also shown on Figure 1 are approximate upper and lower boundaries of PPVs that can be anticipated during pile driving at the site based on the measurements and our observations. The histograms (measured PPVs vs. time) recorded at distances of 15, 25, and 35 feet for Reinhall piles (P-02N and P-03) and conventional piles (P-01S, P-02S, P-01NA) and their pile driving records are included as Appendix B - Attachment 3.

In summary, the highest recorded PPVs were about 1.97 inch/sec (impact hammer, Reinhall pile, 15 feet from the source) and about 1.8 inch/sec (vibratory hammer, non-Reinhall pile, 10 feet from the source). The trend of the data indicates the measured PPVs generally attenuated with distance from the source of vibration.

5.3 Vibration Monitoring Discussion

Based on the measurements and observations made during pile driving, we also observed the following:

- The highest PPVs measured during vibratory hammer driving were frequently recorded during hammer startup and shutdown, particularly when the pile was vibrated in the upper loose fill/alluvium.
- from vibratory hammer driving in dense soils are on average about half to two-thirds of the • For non-Reinhall piles (i.e., conventional piles), the data indicate the vibration attenuation with distance from the source was more significant when pile was driven with the vibratory hammer than with the impact hammer in dense soils. The data also indicate PPVs measured values measured from impact hammer driving in dense soils.
- pile driving in medium dense soils with a driving resistance of about 20 to 30 blows per • For both Reinhall and non-Reinhall piles, the highest recorded PPVs were measured during foot (see Appendix B - Attachment 3). In comparison, the highest recorded PPVs from driving Reinhall piles are greater than the highest recorded PVs from driving non-Reinhall piles, as summarized in [Table 5-1](#page-38-0) below.

 Table 5-1. Measured Peak PPVs from pile driving in medium dense soils at distances of 15, 25, and 35 feet.

 blows per foot, the average measured PPVs from driving Reinhall piles are greater than the average measured PPVs from driving non-Reinhall piles, as summarized in [Table 5-2](#page-38-1) • For pile driving in dense to very dense soils with a driving resistance of about 40 to 55 below.

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6 DISCUSSION

 Based on the collective results of the data recording (hydroacoustic, in-air, vibration) for the T- wall pile. The hydroacoustic results for upland installation demonstrated similar performance, 117 installation, the mandrel pile did not perform significantly different in comparison to single which could be expected: the mandrel pile is designed for sound attenuation in water.

 Regarding in-water sound attenuation, the observation that single wall pile with an operating bubble curtain had (slightly) higher attenuation than the mandrel pile was inconsistent with previous tests in Commencement Bay and Vashon Island (Reinhall et al. 2015). The data collection was limited to one in-water mandrel pile, so the performance could vary with more information at this site.

 substrates. It is interesting to note that the vibration monitoring identified some the higher PPV upland. Substrate conditions appear to include hard ledges and subgrade boulders (based on the pile driving notes). Since T-117 is located withing the Duwamish channel, it makes sense that the pile have a higher likelihood of encountering bed load materials: in Commencement Bay and at Vashon Island pile testing occurred beyond the extent of any outwash. Soil profiles at all three Both the Commencement Bay and Vashon studies were conducted in marine waters with soft when operating in dense to very dense soils, regardless of whether the pile was driven in water or sites could provide clear evidence of differences at pile tip depth.

 In-air noise monitoring also found little difference between the pile types. Sound generation and transmission in air isn't comparable to hydroacoustics. Future pile testing that includes in-air monitoring could inform site to site comparisons that may illuminate differences based on substrate conditions, but it is unclear if pile design would have noticeable effect.

 operational issues may point to a construction consideration. If the mandrel was clogged (partially) after driving mandrel P-02, then using the same mandrel would serve to advance the sediment upward through the remainder of the mandrel, until it overflowed. Either the mandrel would need to be 'cleared' between uses or a different mandrel used. The PanGEO report observes that the sediment within the mandrel was very tightly packed: a solid plug could affect the The observation of mud coming out of the mandrel during driving of P-04 with subsequent attenuating effect of the double wall: that would have to be tested in future studies.

 while providing sustainable economic benefit to the state of Washington and beyond. The mandrel species. The T-117 study adds to the body of data and provides valuable insights into specific The Port of Seattle is committed to operations that support and facilitate Puget Sound recovery pile test was conducted in concert with other on-going stewardship initiatives the Port of Seattle is conducting to further the science and practice of in-water construction that reduces impact to listed opportunities for noise attenuation, and constraints of site conditions.

7 APPENDICES

7.1 Appendix A – Hydroacoustics Frequency Spectra

7.1.1 P-02 S – Upland Standard Pile

Figure 7-1. Frequency spectrum for subsample from first quarter of P-02 S drive.

Figure 7-2. Frequency spectrum for subsample from second quarter of P-02 S drive.

Figure 7-3. Frequency spectrum for subsample from third quarter of P-02 S drive.

Figure 7-4. Frequency spectrum for subsample from fourth quarter of P-02 S drive.

7.1.2 P-02 N – Upland Double-Walled Mandrel Pile

Figure 7-6. Frequency spectrum for subsample from second quarter of P -02 N drive.

Figure 7-7. Frequency spectrum for subsample from third quarter of P -02 N drive.

7.1.3 P-04 – In-Water Double-Walled Mandrel Pile

Figure 7-10. Frequency spectrum for subsample from second quarter of P -04 drive.

Figure 7-11. Frequency spectrum for subsample from third quarter of P -04 drive.

Figure 7-12. Frequency spectrum for subsample from fourth quarter of P -04 drive.

7.1.4 P-05 – In-Water Standard Pile

7.1.5 P-06 – In-Water Standard Pile

Figure 7-24. Frequency spectrum for subsample from third quarter of P-06 drive with the bubble curtain on.

7.2 Appendix B – Vibration Monitoring Field Report

 monitoring of the installation of pipe piles at Sites 23 and 25 for the Terminal 117 Habitat Restoration project. A As requested, a PanGEO representative was on-site on February 1, 8, 9, 10, and 11, 2021 to provide continuous total of 14 piles were installed, which include 12 structural piles for supporting the pedestrian pier, and 2 treaty piles (non-structural). The locations of the observed piles are shown on Attachment 1- Modified Habitat Plan, Sheets C5.0 through C5.3. While on-site on February 8, 9, and 10, we also provided vibration monitoring during the installation of the structural piles. The following summarizes our field observations:

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- with the impact hammer in dense soils. The data also indicates PPVs measured from vibratory hammer • For non-Reinhall piles (i.e., conventional piles), the data indicates the vibration attenuation with distance from the source was more significant when pile was driven with the vibratory hammer than driving in dense soils are on average about half to two-third of the values measured from impact hammer driving in dense soils.
- • For both Reinhall and non-Reinhall piles, the highest recorded PPVs was measured during pile driving In comparison, the highest recorded PPVs from driving Reinhall piles are greater than the highest in medium dense soils with a driving resistance of about 20 to 30 blows per foot (see Attachment 3). recorded PVs from driving non-Reinhall piles, as summarized in Table 1 below.

Distance from source (feet)	Reinhall Pile #	Measured Peak PPVs (in/sec)	#	Non-Reinhall Pile Measured Peak PPVs (in/sec)	Percent Increase PPVs (Reinhall piles) to PPVs (Non-Reinhall piles)	Soil Condition and Driving Resistance
15	P-02N	1.97	P-01S	0.99	99	Medium dense soils with average 20-30 blows/ft
25	$P-03$	1.12	P-02S	0.85	31	
35	P-02N	0.86	P-01NA	0.74	16	

Table 1 – Measured Peak PPVs from pile driving in medium dense soils at distances of 15, 25, and 35 feet

 the average measured PPVs from driving Reinhall piles are greater than the average measured PPVs • For pile driving in dense to very dense soils with a driving resistance of about 40 to 55 blows per foot, from driving non-Reinhall piles, as summarized in Table 2 below.

Distance from source (feet)	#	Reinhall Pile Measured Avg. PPVs Non-Reinhall Pile (in/sec)	#	Measured Avg. PPVs (in/sec)	Percent Increase PPVs (Reinhall piles) to PPVs (Non-Reinhall piles)	Soil Condition and Driving Resistance
15	P-02N	0.64	P-01S	0.52	24	
25	P-03	1.13	P-02S	0.56	102	Dense to very dense soils with average 40-55 blows/ft
35	P-02N	0.69	P-01NA	0.56	23	

Table 2 – Measured Average PPVs from pile driving in dense/very dense soils at distances of 15, 25, and 35 feet

 02N and P-03) and non-Reinhall piles (P-01S, P-02S, P-01NA) and their pile driving records are included as Attachment 3 at the end of this report. The histograms (measured PPVs vs. time) recorded at distances of 15, 25, and 35 feet for Reinhall piles (P-
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impact hammer on 2/8/2021. Note about the bottom of the impact hammer on 2/8/2021. Note 18" O.D. mandrel inside the structural pile attached to a 3-foot-long tip assembly with inner structural pile was directly impacted by the diesel hammer. rings. The inner rings of the structural pile were impacted by the (inside) mandrel during pile driving.

Plate 1 – Impacting Reinhall pile P-02N using Delmag D62-22 Plate 2 – Impacting Reinhall pile P-02N using Delmag D62-22

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 Plate 3 – Setting up D62-22 impact hammer to drive pile P-07 on 2/10/21. Looking east.

 Plate 4 **– Impacting pile P-05 on 2/9/21 using bubble curtain method. Looking northeast.**

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 Modified Habitat Plan, Sheets C5.0 through C5.3 (4 sheets)
- Attachment 2 Pile Installation Records (12 sheets)
- Attachment 3 Histograms (measured PPVs vs. time) and pile driving records for Reinhall piles (P-02N and P-03) and non-Reinhall piles (P-01S, P-02S, P-01NA)

Attachment 2 (12 Sheets)

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Histogram Start Time

Unit Location:

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P-02N (@15 ft) - Delmag D62-22 Diesel Hammer Reinhall

Histogram Finish Time 10:35:31 February 8, 2021 Number of Intervals 3494.00 at 2 seconds Range Geo: 10.000 in/s 2048sps **Sample Rate Notes** Seattle, WA Location: Client: Port of Seattle Monitored By: PanGeo, Inc. 206-262-0370

08:39:02 February 8, 2021

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Battery Level Unit Calibration File Name

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Extended Notes: Project: T117 Restoration Pile Driving Vert Tran Long PPV 0.610 0.970 1.815 in/s **ZC Freq** 15.1 12.2 14.6 Hz Date Feb 8/21 Feb 8 /21 Feb 8 /21 Time 10:13:38 10:01:32 10:01:36 **Sensor Check** Passed Passed Passed Frequency 7.6 7.3 7.5 Hz **Overswing Ratio** 4.1 4.0 4.0

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P-01S (@15 ft) - Delmag D62-22 Diesel Hammer

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08:40:09 January 20, 2021 Histogram Finish Time 09:11:24 January 20, 2021 937.00 at 2 seconds Geo: 10.000 in/s 2048sps

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Seattle, WA Location: Client: Port of Seattle Monitored By: PanGeo, Inc. 206-262-0370 Unit Location: $VM-3$

Extended Notes:

Project: T117 Restoration Pile Driving

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P-03 (@25 ft) - Delmag D62-22 Diesel Hammer
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Time Scale: 1 minute /div Amplitude Scale: Geo: 0.200 in/s/div

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Time Scale: 10 seconds /div Amplitude Scale: Geo: 0.200 in/s/div

P-02N (@35 ft) - Delmag D62-22 Diesel Hammer
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Histogram Start Time Number of Intervals Range **Sample Rate**

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Location: Seattle. WA Client: Port of Seattle PanGeo, Inc. 206-262-0370 Monitored By: Unit Location: $VM-4$

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7.3 Appendix C – Photos of Mandrels After Driving

