



## ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT

S-17-58 (GADDY'S MILL RD.) BRIDGE OVER  
BEAVERDAM CREEK  
DILLON COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA  
PROJECT ID P043715

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**March 3, 2025**

☐ ACM was found.

☒ ACM was not found.

F&ME Project No.: G7100.010

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# 1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This executive summary is intended as an overview for the convenience of the reader. This report should be reviewed in its entirety prior to making any decisions regarding this project.

F&ME Consultants, Inc. (FME) has completed an Asbestos Containing Material (ACM) Investigation of the S-17-58 (Gaddy's Mill Rd.) Bridge over Beaverdam Creek (Bridge) in Dillon County, South Carolina at the request of the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) (Client). The field investigation was performed on February 14, 2025, in anticipation of an on-alignment replacement of the existing Bridge. This investigation was also conducted pursuant to the South Carolina Department of Environmental Services (SCDES), United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP), and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations requiring an ACM investigation prior to any demolition activities.

Per an agreed-upon scope of work, FME performed this investigation to identify ACM that might be encountered during the demolition activities associated with the existing Bridge and to provide recommendations regarding proper handling and disposal of ACM found. The investigation of the Bridge identified three (3) suspect materials: timber pile cap felt, black bearing pad, and textured concrete curbing. During the field investigation, FME personnel collected samples of these materials and assessed their physical conditions. **Laboratory results indicated that the suspect materials sampled during this investigation contained no asbestos.** Therefore, at this time, no special handling or disposal requirements are required regarding ACM. However, during the course of demolition activities, previously concealed ACM might be discovered. If suspect ACM (i.e., expansion joint material) is found, the affected contractor(s) must stop work, take appropriate actions, and notify the Owner/Asbestos Consultant for an appropriate response action. The SCDES must be notified if any suspect ACM is discovered.

We sincerely appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this project. Should you have any questions or require additional information concerning this Investigation, please do not hesitate to contact our office at (803) 254-4540.

Sincerely,

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## 2. INTRODUCTION

FME has completed an ACM investigation of the S-17-58 (Gaddy's Mill Rd.) Bridge over Beaverdam Creek, in Dillon County, South Carolina. The investigation was performed on February 14, 2025. This investigation was conducted pursuant to SCDES, USEPA, NESHAP, and OSHA regulations which require an ACM investigation prior to any demolition activities. Refer to Appendix A, Site Vicinity Map for the location of the Bridge.

It is our understanding that the proposed project will include the complete demolition and removal of the existing Bridge and replacement with a new bridge along the existing alignment. The purpose of this investigation was to determine if asbestos was present on the existing Bridge by identifying and sampling suspect ACM, obtaining analytical results, quantifying any confirmed ACM, and assessing the physical condition of the ACM, where possible.

This report has been prepared exclusively for the Client and shall not be disseminated in whole or part to other parties without prior consent from Client or FME. No other environmental issues were addressed as part of this report.

## 3. EXISTING BRIDGE STRUCTURE

The existing Bridge (≈105' L x 27' W, inside curb to inside curb) is located on S-17-58 (Gaddy's Mill Rd.) and crosses over Beaverdam Creek in Dillon County, South Carolina. The construction date of the Bridge is unknown. The structure is a two (2) lane, seven (7) span Bridge constructed with pre-fabricated concrete bridge deck, and poured-in-place (PIP) concrete curbing with an asphalt overlay. The Bridge deck is supported by eight (8) horizontal precast concrete channel beams. Each PIP bent cap is supported by five (5) structural timber piles. Drainage scuppers were noted along each side of the Bridge. Refer to Appendix A, Site Vicinity Map, for the location of the Bridge and to Appendix B, General Bridge Plan, for a layout of the Bridge.



*Photo 1: S-17-58 (Gaddy's Mill Rd.) Bridge over Beaverdam Creek in Dillon County, South Carolina.*

## 4. FIELD ASSESSMENT

During the investigation, accessible bridge components (i.e., bent caps, timber piles, scuppers, expansion joints, etc.) were visually inspected for suspect ACM. Examples of possible suspect materials include bond break bearing pads, expansion joint material, and drainage scuppers. Three (3) suspect materials were observed/visible on the Bridge. The suspect materials noted on the Bridge were timber pile cap felt, black bearing pads, and textured concrete curbing. Samples of these materials were taken from random locations on the Bridge. Refer to Appendix B, Sample Location Plan, for detailed sample locations. Also, refer to Appendix G, Site Photographs, for more details.

## 5. ASSESSMENT RESULTS

During the investigation, the timber pile cap felt, black bearing pad, and textured concrete curbing were the only suspect materials identified associated with the Bridge. A total of three (3) random samples were taken of each of the suspect materials for laboratory analysis and physical characteristics were recorded. The remaining structural materials (i.e., wood, steel, etc.) were not considered suspect and were not sampled.

Bulk samples of suspect materials were analyzed by Polarized Light Microscopy (PLM) in accordance with USEPA 600/R-93/116. Confirmation Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) was also performed on any non-friable organically bound materials that tested negative for asbestos content as per SCDES regulations effective May 27, 2011. A “*first positive stop*” protocol was implemented for sample testing. This protocol establishes that if the first sample of a material tested positive for asbestos content, subsequent samples were not to be analyzed and would be considered positive as well. A total of seven (7) samples were analyzed by PLM and two (2) samples were TEM-confirmed. **The results of the analysis indicated that none of the suspect materials sampled during this investigation contained asbestos.** Results of laboratory analysis are summarized in Appendix C, Summary of Sample Results.

Appropriate sampling and chain-of-custody protocols were followed to ensure proper handling and delivery of samples to the analytical laboratory. Appendix D, Laboratory Analysis Reports, and Appendix E, Laboratory Chain of Custody, are provided to show laboratory documentation of the analytical results. Appendix F, Personnel Certification, provides the qualifications for the FME Asbestos Inspectors.

## 6. RECOMMENDATIONS

The results, conclusions, and recommendations of this Investigation are representative of the conditions observed at the site on the date of the field investigation. FME does not assume responsibility for any changes in conditions or circumstances that may have occurred after this investigation.

It is our understanding that the Bridge is to be demolished in anticipation of an on-alignment replacement of the existing Bridge structure. **The results of the analysis indicated that the materials sampled during this investigation contained no asbestos.** Therefore, there are no foreseen special handling or disposal requirements, regarding asbestos, that will be required for the demolition of this Bridge.

If any concealed and/or inaccessible suspect ACM (i.e., bond break bearing pad materials) are encountered during the demolition activities, the affected contractor(s) must stop work, take appropriate actions, and notify the Owner/asbestos Consultant for an appropriate response action. The SCDES must be notified if any suspect ACM is discovered.

This report has been prepared exclusively for the Client and FME and shall not be disseminated in whole or in part to other parties without prior consent from the Client and FME. Use of this document for bidding purposes is not recommended without prior consultation with FME.

We sincerely appreciate the opportunity to be of service to SCDOT in this matter. If you have any questions regarding the information presented herein, please contact our office at (803) 254-4540.

## APPENDICES

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## Appendix A

### Site Vicinity Map



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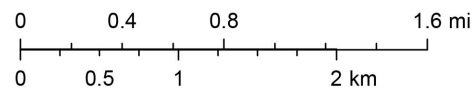


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## Appendix B

### Sample Location Plan

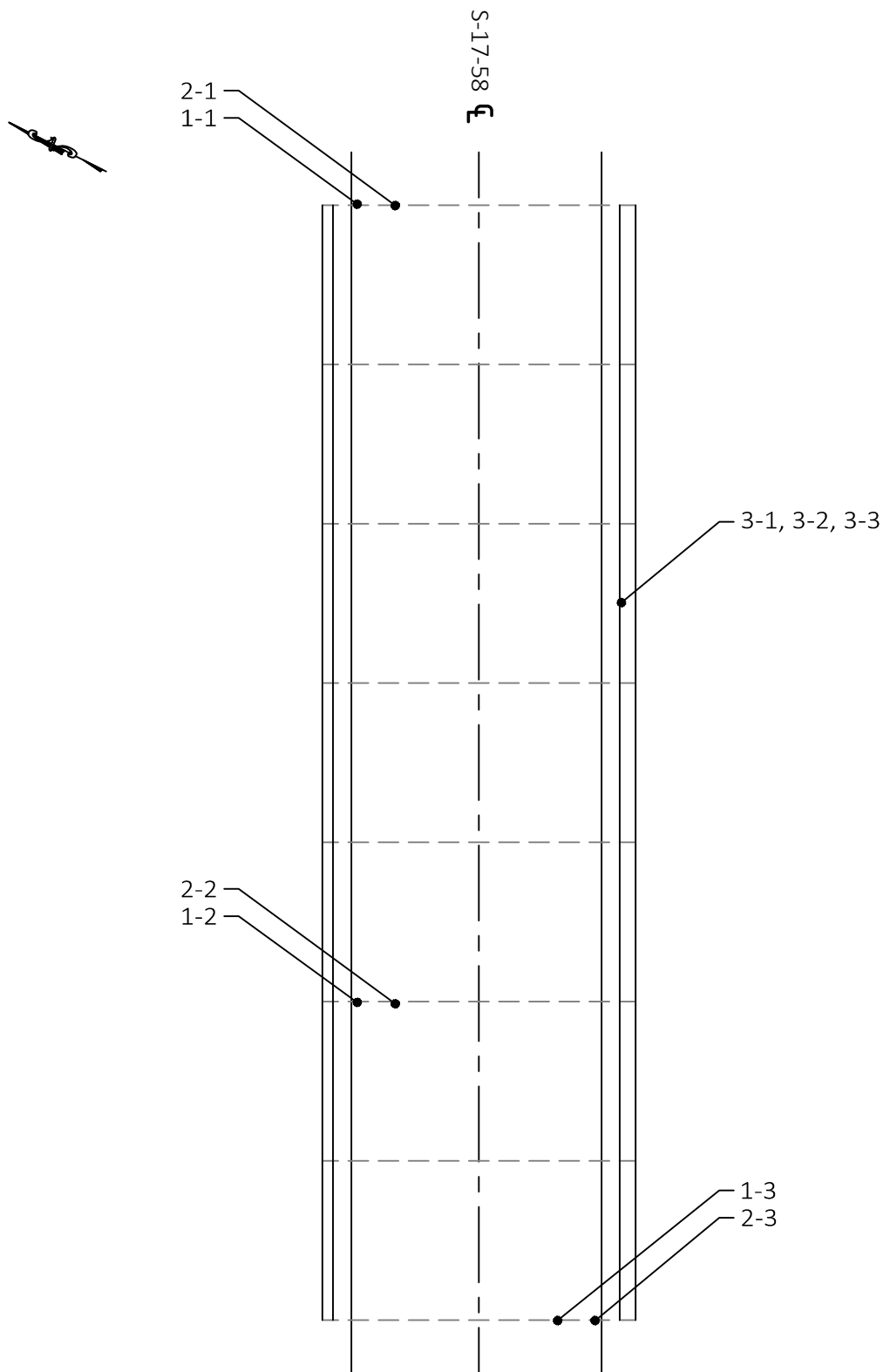


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## Appendix C

### Summary of Samples

## Appendix C: Summary of Samples

Sample ID	Description
1-1	Timber Pile Cap Felt
1-2	Timber Pile Cap Felt
1-3	Timber Pile Cap Felt
2-1	Black Bearing Pad
2-2	Black Bearing Pad
2-3	Black Bearing Pad
3-1	Textured Concrete Curbing
3-2	Textured Concrete Curbing
3-2	Textured Concrete Curbing



## Appendix D

### Laboratory Analysis Reports



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Project: S-17 58 RBO Beaverdam Creek

## Test Report: Asbestos Analysis of Bulk Materials via AHERA Method 40CFR 763 Subpart E Appendix E supplemented with EPA 600/R-93/116 using Polarized Light Microscopy

Sample	Description	Appearance	Non-Asbestos		Asbestos
			% Fibrous	% Non-Fibrous	% Type
1-1 022500795-0001	Timber Pile Cap Felt	Black Fibrous Homogeneous	80% Cellulose	20% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
1-2 022500795-0002	Timber Pile Cap Felt	Black Fibrous Homogeneous	60% Cellulose	40% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
2-1 022500795-0003	Bearing Pad	Brown/Black Fibrous Heterogeneous	5% Cellulose 1% Glass	94% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
2-2 022500795-0004	Bearing Pad	Brown/Black Fibrous Homogeneous	3% Cellulose	97% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
3-1 022500795-0005	Textured Concrete Curbing Repair	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	<1% Cellulose	45% Quartz 10% Ca Carbonate 45% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
3-2 022500795-0006	Textured Concrete Curbing Repair	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	<1% Cellulose	45% Quartz 10% Ca Carbonate 45% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected
3-3 022500795-0007	Textured Concrete Curbing Repair	Gray Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous		35% Quartz 5% Ca Carbonate 60% Non-fibrous (Other)	None Detected

Analyst(s)

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Scott Combs (4)

Stephen Bennett, Laboratory Manager  
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Samples analyzed by EMSL Analytical, Inc. Kernersville, NC NVLAP Lab Code 102104-0, Virginia 3333-000228, West Virginia LT000321

Initial report from: 02/20/2025 08:02:19



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## Test Report: Asbestos Analysis of Non-Friable Organically Bound Materials by TEM via EPA/600/R-93/116 Section 2.5.5.1

Sample ID	Description	Appearance	% Matrix Material	% Non-Asbestos Fibers	Asbestos Types
1-3 022500795-0008	Timber Pile Cap Felt	Brown/Black Fibrous Homogeneous	100.0 Other	None	No Asbestos Detected
2-3 022500795-0009	Bearing Pad	Brown/Black Non-Fibrous Heterogeneous	100.0 Other	None	No Asbestos Detected

Analyst(s)

Stephen Bennett (2)

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Samples analyzed by EMSL Analytical, Inc. Kenersville, NC

Initial report from: 02/20/2025 08:02:21

## Appendix E

### Chain of Custody Form



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# Asbestos Chain of Custody

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Project Name/Number: S-17-58 RBO Beaverdam Creek		EMSL Project ID (Internal Use Only):	
U.S. State Samples Taken: SC		CT Samples: <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial/Taxable <input type="checkbox"/> Residential/Tax Exempt	
EMSL-Bill to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same <input type="checkbox"/> Different - If Bill to is Different note instructions in Comments** Third Party Billing requires written authorization from third party			
Turnaround Time (TAT) Options* - Please Check			
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Hour <input type="checkbox"/> 6 Hour <input type="checkbox"/> 24 Hour <input type="checkbox"/> 48 Hour <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 72 Hour <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 96 Hour <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Week <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Week			
*For TEM Air 3 hr through 6 hr, please call ahead to schedule. *There is a premium charge for 3 Hour TEM AHERA or EPA Level II TAT. You will be asked to sign an authorization form for this service. Analysis completed in accordance with EMSL's Terms and Conditions located in the Analytical Price Guide.			
<b>PCM - Air</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Check if samples are from NY <input type="checkbox"/> NIOSH 7400 <input type="checkbox"/> w/ OSHA 8hr. TWA <b>PLM - Bulk (reporting limit)</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PLM EPA 600/R-93/116 (<1%) <input type="checkbox"/> PLM EPA NOB (<1%) Point Count <input type="checkbox"/> 400 (<0.25%) <input type="checkbox"/> 1000 (<0.1%) Point Count w/Gravimetric <input type="checkbox"/> 400 (<0.25%) <input type="checkbox"/> 1000 (<0.1%) <input type="checkbox"/> NYS 198.1 (friable in NY) <input type="checkbox"/> NYS 198.6 NOB (non-friable-NY) <input type="checkbox"/> NYS 198.8 SOF-V <input type="checkbox"/> NIOSH 9002 (<1%)		<b>TEM - Air</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 4-4.5hr TAT (AHERA only) <input type="checkbox"/> AHERA 40 CFR, Part 763 <input type="checkbox"/> NIOSH 7402 <input type="checkbox"/> EPA Level II <input type="checkbox"/> ISO 10312 <b>TEM - Bulk</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TEM EPA NOB <input type="checkbox"/> NYS NOB 198.4 (non-friable-NY) <input type="checkbox"/> Chatfield SOP <input type="checkbox"/> TEM Mass Analysis-EPA 600 sec. 2.5 <b>TEM - Water:</b> EPA 100.2 Fibers >10µm <input type="checkbox"/> Waste <input type="checkbox"/> Drinking All Fiber Sizes <input type="checkbox"/> Waste <input type="checkbox"/> Drinking	
<b>TEM- Dust</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Microvac - ASTM D 5755 <input type="checkbox"/> Wipe - ASTM D6480 <input type="checkbox"/> Carpet Sonication (EPA 600/J-93/167)		<b>Soil/Rock/Vermiculite</b> <input type="checkbox"/> PLM EPA 600/R-93/116 with milling prep (<1%) <input type="checkbox"/> PLM EPA 600/R-93/116 with milling prep (<0.25%) <input type="checkbox"/> TEM EPA 600/R-93/116 with milling prep (<0.1%) <input type="checkbox"/> TEM Qualitative via Filtration Prep <input type="checkbox"/> TEM Qualitative via Drop Mount Prep <input type="checkbox"/> Cincinnati Method EPA 600/R-04/004 - PLM/TEM (BC only)	
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Samplers Name: John Croom		Samplers Signature: <i>John Croom</i>	
Sample #	Sample Description	Volume/Area (Air) HA # (Bulk)	Date/Time Sampled
*1-1 thru 1-3	Timber Pole Cap Felt		
*2-1 thru 2-3	Bearing Pad		
3-1 thru 3-3	Textured Concrete Curbing Repair		
Client Sample # (s): 1-1 - 3-3		Total # of Samples: 9	
Relinquished (Client): <i>John Croom</i>		Date: 2/14/2025	Time: 17:00
Received (Lab): <i>Jens Sweet</i>		Date: 2-17-25	Time: 8:30
Comments/Special Instructions: SC Guidelines; TEM 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sample			

## Appendix F

### Personnel Certifications



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## Asbestos ID Card



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## Appendix G

### Site Photographs



**Photo 1.** Top View of Bridge Deck.



**Photo 2.** Southwestern Corner of Bridge View.



**Photo 3.** Southwestern Corner View of Bridge.



**Photo 4.** Underside View of Bridge.



**Photo 5.** Non-ACM Expansion Joint Material.



**Photo 6.** SCDOT Asset # Placard Attached to the Concrete Curb.

