

Displacement X1 piers (dX1) leverage the speed and versatility of the X1® drilled solution while simultaneously removing the fuss of predrilling and spoil removal. dX1 piers are installed by displacing through unsuitable bearing soils to a desired design depth and then building a high-quality pier element using aggregate or even the in-situ sand in the case of a clean sand profile. The end result is a dense column of aggregate or sand surrounded by stiffened/ densified matrix soils that provide excellent settlement control and allow for higher bearing pressures.

APPLICABLE SOIL TYPES

- · Sands, clays, silts, and undocumented fills
- Liquefiable soils

DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

- · Can be used for any Geopier application
- · Can be installed to depths of 55+ feet
- · Great for mitigating liquefaction-induced settlements
- · Ideal for static settlement control
- Foundations can be designed as conventional spread footings with typical bearing pressures of 3 to 8 ksf
- · Slabs can be constructed as conventional slab-on-grade
- · Can be used for uplift and lateral resistance

CONSTRUCTION CONSIDERATIONS

- Eliminates the need for casing and the associated cost and schedule
- · No spoils/haul-off ideal for environmentally impacted sites
- Often results in 20% to 50% cost savings compared to traditional alternatives (removal and replacement and deep foundations)
- · Rapid installation process means shorter construction schedules

INSTALLATION PROCESS

Geopier's dX1 piers are installed as follows:

Step 1: Advance the displacement mandrel through unsuitable soils to the desired design depth.

Step 2: Withdraw the mandrel several feet to allow open-graded aggregate to flow into the annular space.

Step 3: Redrive the mandrel to densify the recently placed aggregate and surrounding soils.

Step 4: Repeat steps 2 and 3 to construct a dense column of aggregate in 2 to 4 foot thick lifts to the ground surface.





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