Attachment 3 Water Supply Impact Assessment

# Proposed Data Centre at No. 7-11 Wing Kin Road, Kwai Chung (K.C.T.L. 145)

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#### 1 INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 Background

- 1.1.1 OXO YW Limited ("the Project Proponent") has proposed to develop a data centre located at No. 7-11 Wing Kin Road, Kwai Chung.
- 1.1.2 Cinotech Consultants Limited was commissioned by OXO YW Limited to carry out a Water Supply Impact Assessment (WSIA) to assess and envisage any potential water supply impact on the implementation of the Project and to recommend improvement / modification works on the existing water supply system.

#### 2 DESCRIPTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

### 2.1 Existing Environment

- 2.1.1 The Application Site (the "Site") is located in an industrial area in Kwai Chung, bordered by Wing Chong Street to the west, Wing Kin Road to the east, Global Trade Centre to the north, and Hou Feng Industrial Building to the south (see **Figure 2-1**). The Site and its surroundings fall within the industrial zone, as per the *Approved Kwai Chung Outline Zoning Plan No. S/KC/32* (see **Figure 2-2**).
- 2.1.2 The Site covers approximately 964 m² (about 929 m² excluding the additional area) and is currently occupied by a 2-storey industrial building. Planning applications have been submitted and approved with conditions in 2020 (Application No.: A/KC/457) and 2023 (Application No.: A/KC/496) for Offensive Trades use (Lard Boiling Factory) and Industrial use (Warehouse), respectively.

### 2.2 The Proposed Development

- 2.2.1 The Project Proponent proposes to redevelop the Application Site into a 17-storey data centre with a height of 109.55 mPD and a plot ratio of 11.4. The tentative section plan of the proposed development is shown in **Appendix I**, with a planned completion date of 2029.
- 2.2.2 It should be noted that the proposed development is intended for Data Processing Centre use, and its water consumption behavior will differ significantly from typical industrial and commercial uses.
- 2.2.3 The major water consumption sources for the proposed development include:
  - Water usage by staff
    - The proposed development is expected to be unmanned and automated, with a limited number of staff. As advised by the project applicant, up to 25 staff members will be employed.
  - Water consumption for the water cooling tower system

- A water cooling tower system will be implemented to meet the significant cooling demand, which will predominantly influence the fresh water requirements.
- Irrigation of planters
- 2.2.4 On the other hand, no other water consumption activities within the proposed development are anticipated.
- 2.2.5 During operation, the bleed-off water from the water cooling tower system will be reused as much as practicable, with the expectation that all salt water demand for the proposed development will be met.

#### **Development Parameters**

2.2.6 This assessment is prepared based on the following development parameters (**Table 2-1**) of the notional design, which are subject to changes at detailed design stage:

**Table 2-1 Development Parameters** 

	Existing	Proposed Development	
Zoning	Industrial		
Site Area	About 964.2 m <sup>2</sup>		
Use	Industrial	Data Processing Centre	
Domestic GFA	$0 \text{ m}^2$	$0 \text{ m}^2$	
Non-Domestic GFA (Industrial)	941.21 m <sup>2</sup>	About 10,991.88 m <sup>2</sup>	
Building Height	60 mPD	109.55 mPD	

Remarks: Development Parameters of the proposed development subject to detailed design.

#### 3 WATER SUPPLY IMPACT ASSESSMENT – FRESH WATER

#### 3.1 Existing Fresh Water Supply

- 3.1.1 The Application Site is currently served by the Lai Chi Kok Fresh Water Supply Reservoir (FWSR) (Capacity: 93,702 m³).
- 3.1.2 The Application Site is currently served by the 25 mm and 50 mm branches from the 300 mm fresh water main along Wing Kin Road, which originates from the 400 mm fresh water main along Kwai Hei Street.
- 3.1.3 The simplified fresh water mains records are illustrated in **Figures 3-1 and 3-2**. The Water Supplies Department (WSD) Fresh Water Mains Record Plan is provided in **Appendix II**.

#### 3.2 Fresh Water Demand

3.2.1 The calculations of fresh water demand are generally following Departmental Instruction (DI) No. 1309 "Design Criteria,", which adopted a per person or per GFA water consumption rate. The fresh water demand of the existing development is calculated in **Table 3-1** and detailed in **Table B of Appendix IV**.

Table 3-1 Fresh Water Demand of the Existing Development

	Category GFA (ha)		Unit Demand Fresh Water (m³/ha/day)	<b>.</b>	
Industrial (Tsuen Wan)	I	0.094	1600	150.594	

3.2.2 As stated in **Section 2.2**, the water consumption behavior of the proposed development will differ significantly from typical industrial and commercial uses. Therefore, the water usage for staff, the water cooling tower system, and irrigation will be calculated separately, rather than using a GFA-based broad-brush estimation. Since the staff will not serve any customers, the water consumption figures for residents have been adopted. The fresh water demand of the proposed development is provided in **Table 3-2 & Table 3-3**, and detailed in **Tables C1 & C2 of Appendix IV**.

Table 3-2 Fresh Water Demand of the Proposed Water Cooling Tower System

		Unit	Remark
Designed Cooling load (Nominal)	14	MW	
Working Hour	24	hour/day	
Peak and Design Factor	1.45		
Water evaporating rate under nominal load (with Peak and Design Factor)	8.9942	kg/s	Heat of vaporization for water is 2,257 kJ/kg
load (with Peak and Design Factor)	777.10	m <sup>3</sup> /day	
Ratio of bleed-off water	20%	%	A ratio 5:1 for evaporating : discharging has been adopted.
Amount of bleed-off water	155.42	m³/day	
Total water requirement	932.52	m³/day	

Table 3-3 Fresh Water Demand of the Proposed Development

	Category	Population or/ GFA (ha)	Unit Demand Fresh Water (m³/head/day) or (m³/ha/day)	Daily Demand Fresh Water (m³/day)
Staff	R	25 (Population)	0.35	8.750
Water Cooling Tower system	I N/A I N/A		N/A	932.523
Planter	IRR	0.029 (GFA) [1]	700	20.248

Noted:

3.2.3 The fresh water demand for the site is expected to increase significantly from 150.594 m³/day to 961.521 m³/day, representing an increase of 810.927 m³/day (or 0.811 MLD). The calculations for fresh water demand in both existing and proposed scenarios are summarized in **Table 3-4**.

Table 3-4 Summary of Fresh Water Demand

Daily Demand - Fresh Water (m³/day)					
Existing Proposed Net Increase					
150.594	961.521	810.927			

### 3.3 Fresh Water Supply Impact - Fresh water service reservoir

3.3.1 As shown in **Table D of Appendix IV**, there is substantially greater spare capacity (63.1 MLD) in Lai Chi Kok FWSR. The expected increase in demand (0.811 MLD) can therefore be accommodated by the existing Fresh Water Service Reservoirs. No adverse impact to the fresh water service reservoirs is anticipated.

#### 3.4 Fresh Water Supply Impact – Fresh Water Mains

- 3.4.1 The Application Site is currently served by the 25 mm and 50 mm branches from the 300 mm fresh water main along Wing Kin Road, which originates from the 400 mm fresh water main along Kwai Hei Street as shown in **Figures 3-1 & 3-2**.
- 3.4.2 According to Departmental Instruction (DI) No. 1309 "Design Criteria," (DI 1309) the peak flow rate in the distribution mains for fresh water should be three times the daily demand. Based on this criterion, the estimated peak daily fresh water demand for the proposed development is approximately 2,884.6 m³/day. By following the maximum sustained flow velocity as suggested in DI 1309 (**Table A2 of Appendix IV**), the capacities of the 150 mm, 200 mm, 300 mm & 400 mm fresh water mains are determined to be 2,290 m³/day, 4,072 m³/day, 9,161 m³/day, & 21,715 m³/day respectively.

<sup>[1] 30%</sup> of the Site area has been adopted for conservative assessment.

- 3.4.3 Taking into account the fresh water consumption of the proposed development, it has been determined that the existing 50 mm and 25 mm branches cannot meet the fresh water demand of the Site.
- 3.4.4 Therefore, a new 200 mm fresh water main connected to the existing 400 mm fresh water main along Kwai Hei Street has been proposed, as shown in **Figure 3-2**. Meanwhile, the existing 50 mm and 25 mm branches will be removed. The specific alignment and connection points of the proposed new water pipes will be determined during the detailed design phase of the development.

#### 4 WATER SUPPLY IMPACT ASSESSMENT – SALT WATER

# 4.1 Existing Salt Water Supply

- 4.1.1 The Application Site is currently served by Tsuen Wan Salt Water Pumping Station (SWPS) (Design Pumping Capacity: 93 MLD).
- 4.1.2 The Application Site is currently served by a 25 mm branch from the 150 mm salt water main along Wing Kin Road.
- 4.1.3 The simplified salt water mains records are illustrated in **Figure 4-1**. The Water Supplies Department (WSD) Salt Water Mains Record Plan is provided in **Appendix III**, and detailed in **Table B of Appendix IV**.

# 4.2 Saltwater Supply Demand

4.2.1 The calculations of salt water demand are generally following Departmental Instruction (DI) No. 1309 "Design Criteria,", which adopted a per person or per GFA water consumption rate. The fresh water demand of the existing development is calculated in **Table 3-4**.

Table 4-1 Salt Water Demand of the Existing Development

	Category	Category GFA (ha) Unit Deman Water (m³/h		Daily Demand Salt Water (m³/day)
Industrial (Tsuen Wan)	I	0.094	210	19.765

4.2.2 Similar to the calculation of fresh water demand for the proposed development, the salt water consumption figures for residents have been adopted for staff. It should be noted that there is no salt water demand from the water cooling tower system or irrigation. The salt water demand of the proposed development is provided in **Table 4-2**, and detailed in **Table C2 of Appendix IV**.

Table 4-2 Salt Water Demand of the Proposed Development

	Category	Population	Unit Demand Salt Water (m³/head/day)	Daily Demand Salt Water (m³/day)
Staff	R	25	0.110	2.750

4.2.3 The salt water demand for the site is expected to reduce from 19.765 m³/day to 2.750 m³/day, representing a decrease of 17.015 m³/day (or 0.017 MLD). The calculations for salt water demand in both existing and proposed scenarios are summarized in **Table 4-3**.

Table 4-3 Summary of Salt Water Demand

Daily Demand - Salt Water (m³/day)					
Existing Proposed Net Increase					
19.765	2.750	-17.015			

### 4.3 Saltwater Supply Impact – Salt Water Pumping Station

4.3.1 It should be noted that the existing daily consumption of the Tsuen Wan SWPS is close to its capacity. However, as shown in **Table 4-3**, the salt water demand is expected to decrease in the proposed development compared to the existing situation. Additionally, since the bleed-off water from the water cooling tower system will be reused as flushing water, no salt water demand is anticipated once the water reuse system of the cooling tower is properly implemented. No adverse impact to the salt water pumping station is anticipated.

### 4.4 Saltwater Supply Impact – Salt Water Mains

- 4.4.1 The Application Site is currently served by a 25 mm branch from the 150 mm salt water main along Wing Kin Road, as shown in **Figure 4-1**.
- 4.4.2 According to Departmental Instruction (DI) No. 1309 "Design Criteria," the peak flow rate in the distribution mains for salt water should be two times the daily demand. Based on this criterion, the estimated peak daily salt water demand for the proposed development is approximately 5.5 m³/day. By following the maximum sustained flow velocity as suggested in Departmental Instruction (DI) No. 1309 "Design Criteria" (**Table A2 of Appendix IV**), the capacities of the 25 mm and 150 mm salt water mains are determined to be 64 m³/day and 2,290 m³/day, respectively.
- 4.4.3 Taking into consideration the reduced salt water consumption of the proposed development, it has been determined that the existing 25 mm salt water main can meet the salt water demand of the Site, even when the water reuse system of the cooling tower is out of order. Therefore, no modifications to the salt water mains are required.

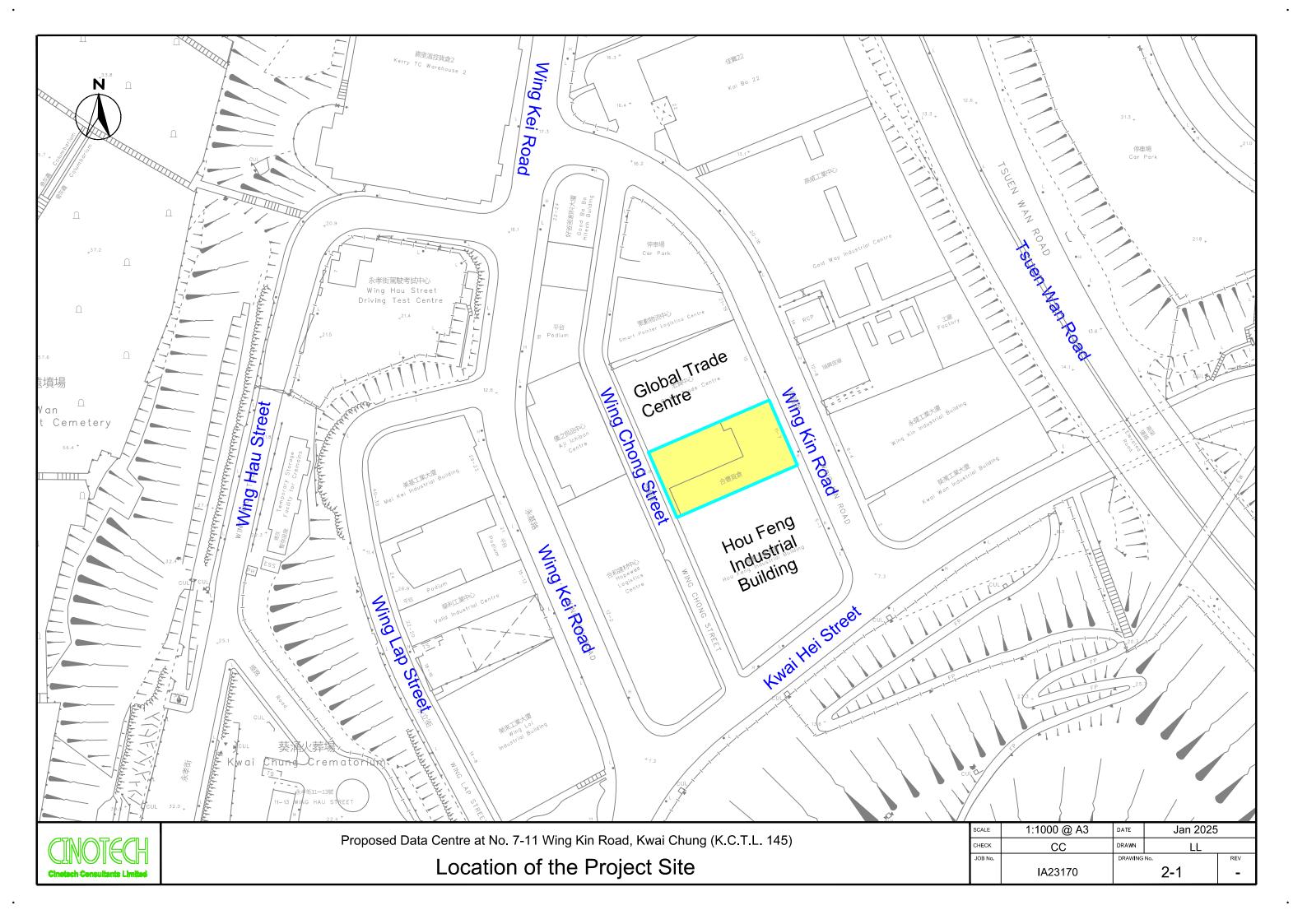
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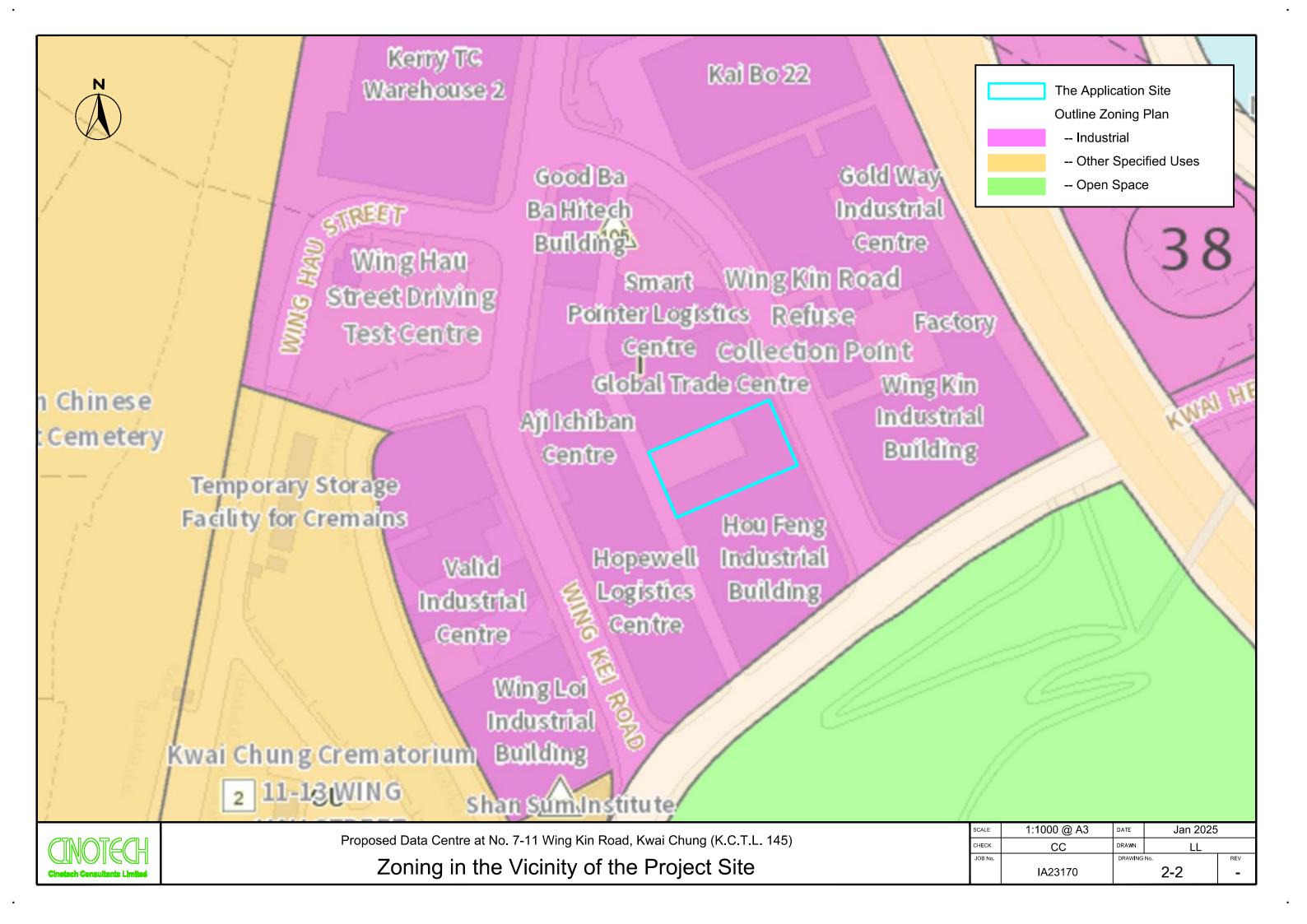
5.1.1 The detailed connection arrangements, responsibilities for the investigation, design, construction, repair and maintenance of the proposed modification to the fresh water mains system will be discussed among the Project Proponent and relevant Government departments in detailed design stage.

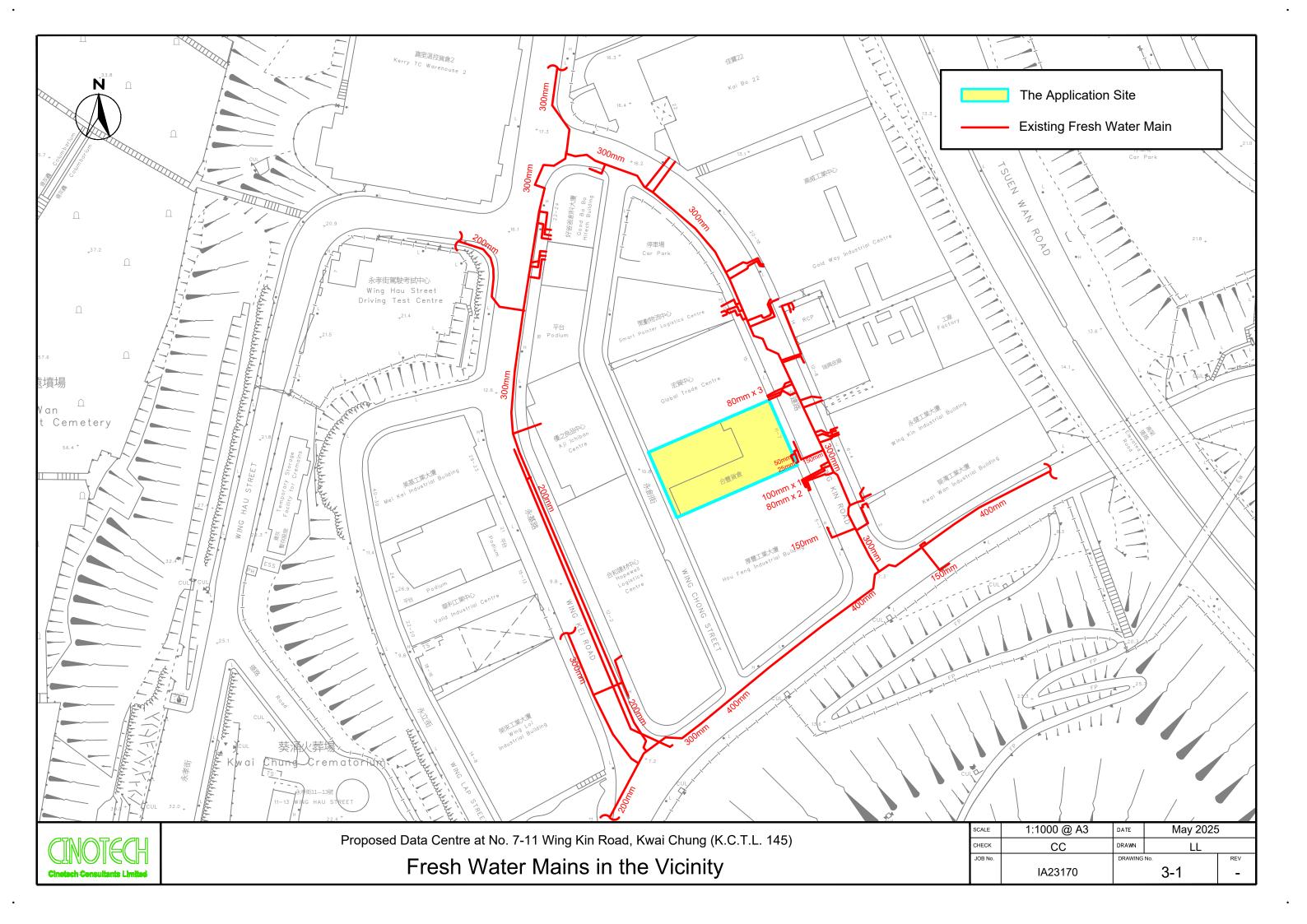
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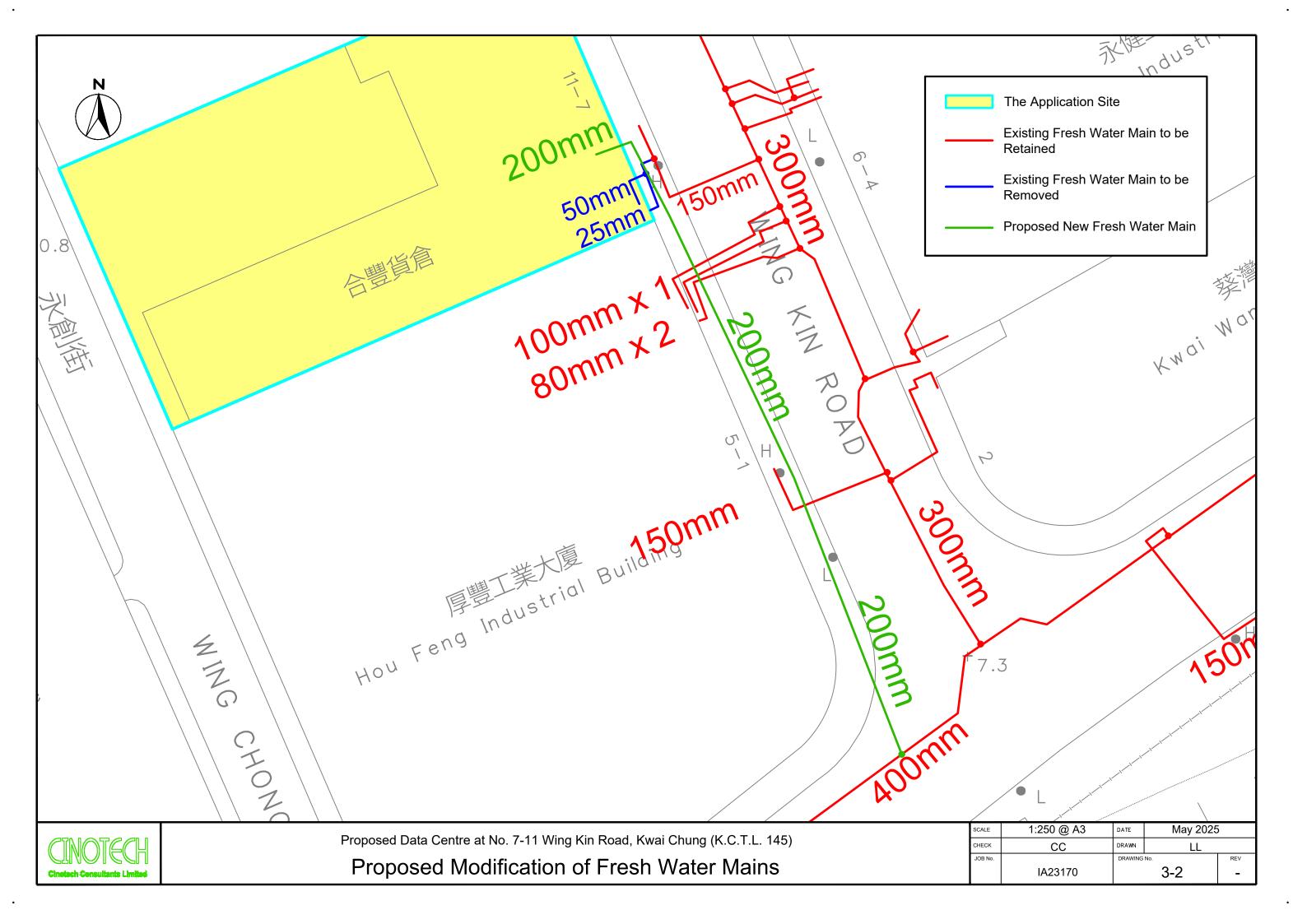
- 6.1.1 The potential water supply impact under the worst-case scenario of the proposed development has been reviewed. The assessment conducted concludes that no upgrading works on the water supply infrastructure will be required.
- 6.1.2 For the local water supply network, although the proposed development will result in additional fresh water demand, the increases can be accommodated by the existing main supply facilities and the proposed new pipes. Therefore, no adverse water supply impact is anticipated from the proposed development.

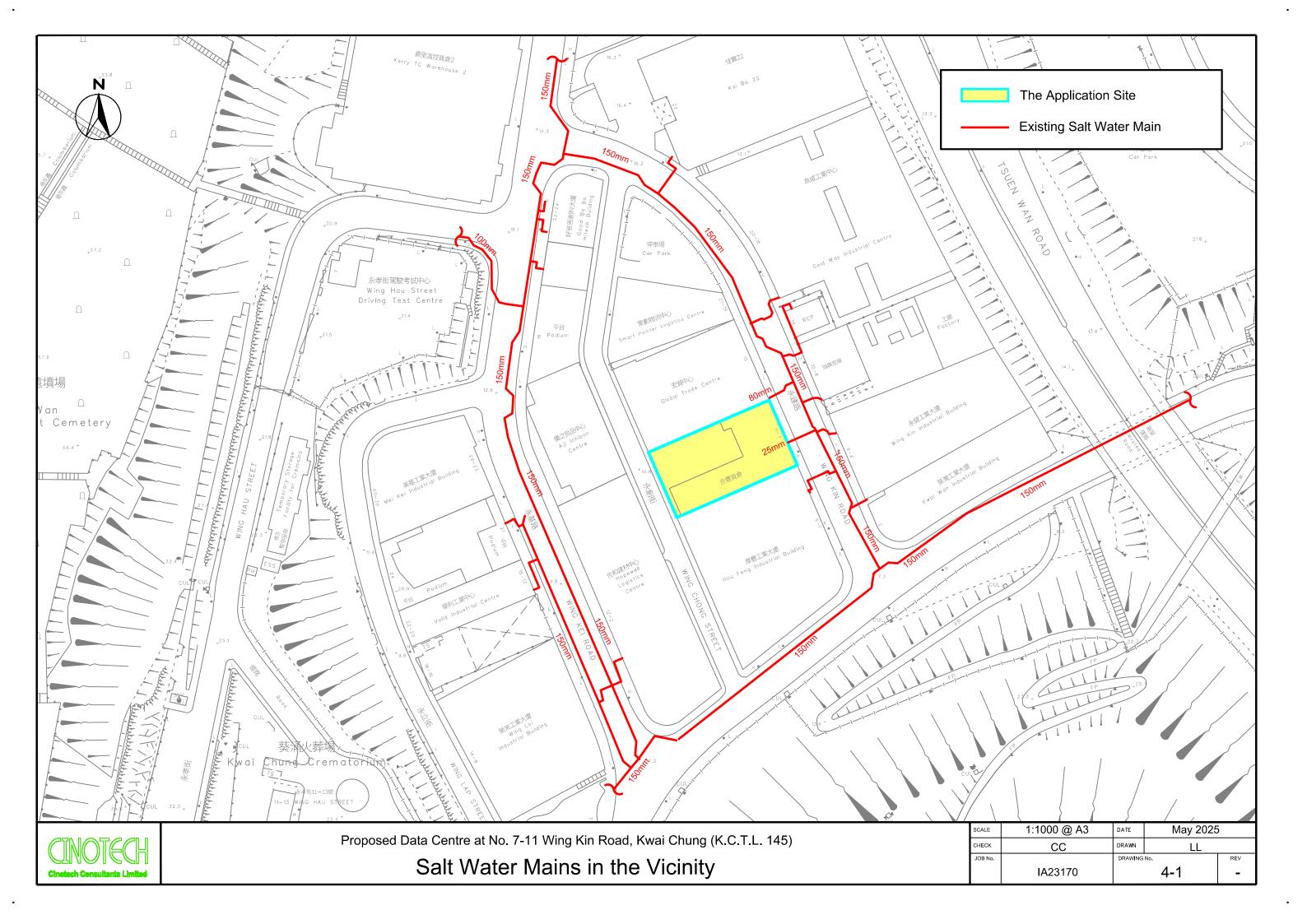
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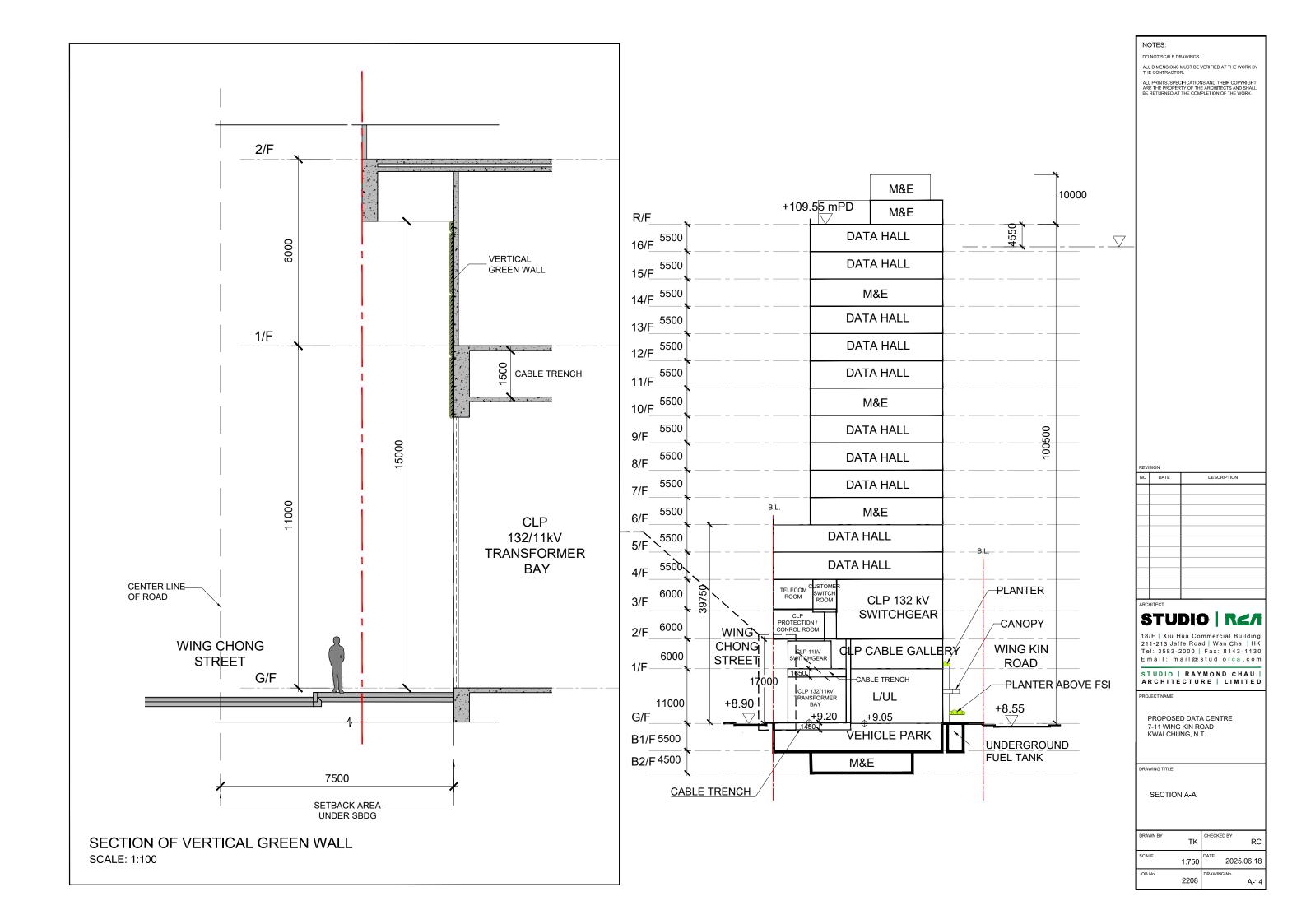




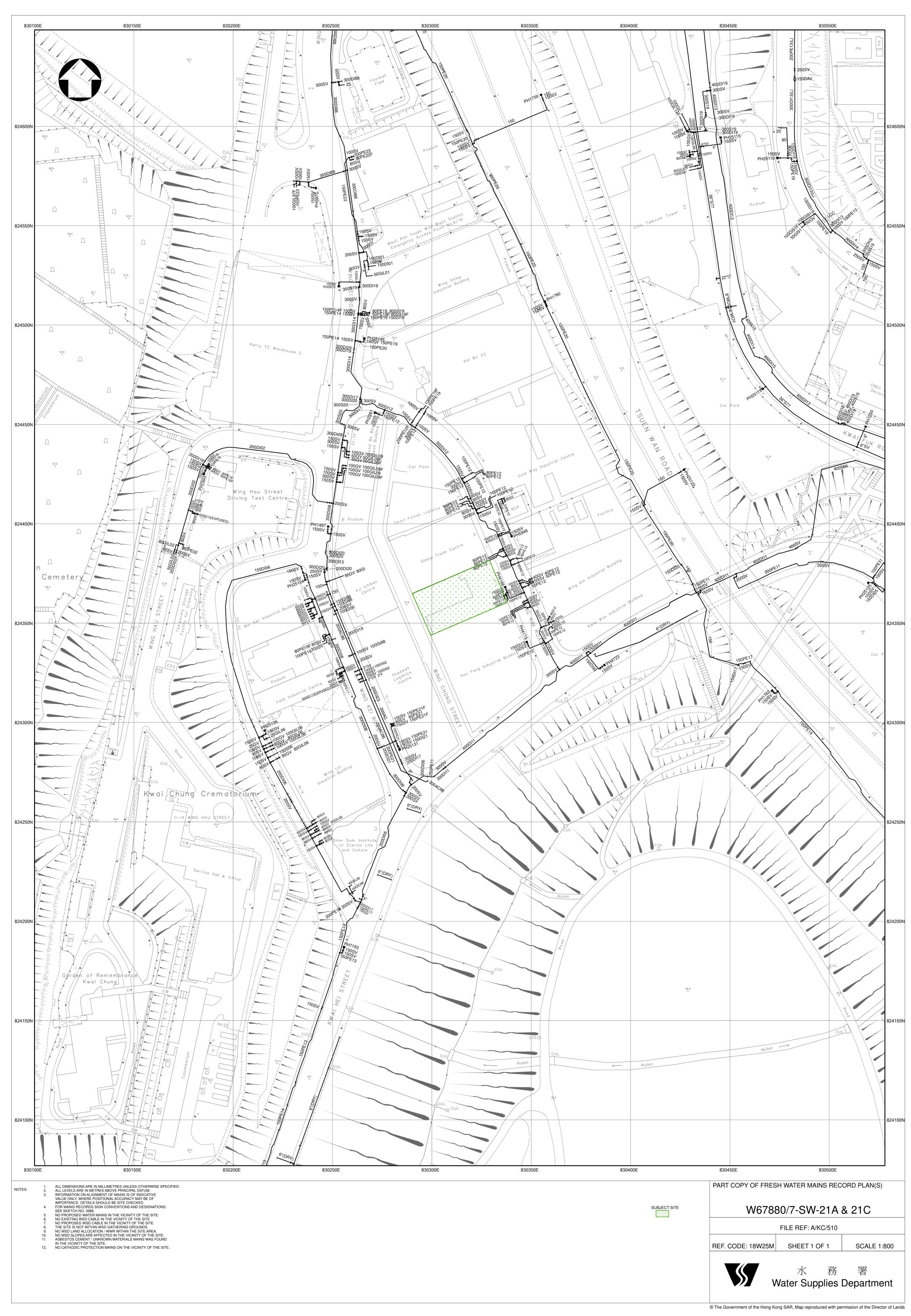




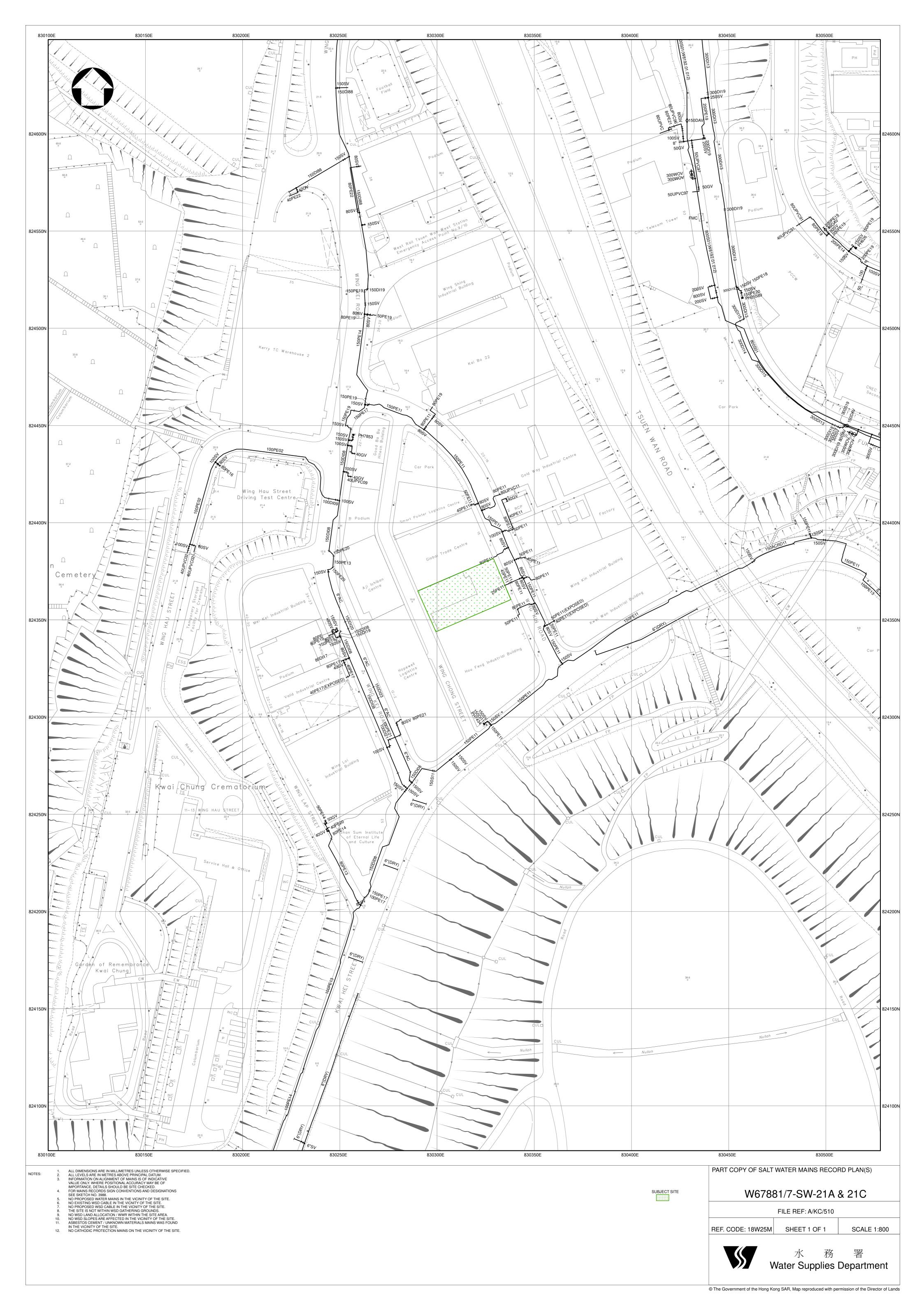
# APPENDIX I TENTATIVE SECTION PLAN



### APPENDIX II FRESH WATER MAINS RECORD PLAN



# APPENDIX III SALT WATER MAINS RECORD PLAN



# APPENDIX IV DETAILED WATER DEMAND CALCULATION

**Table A1 - Unit Daily Demand** 

Zone Type		Unit Demand Fresh Water <sup>[1]</sup>	Unit Demand Salt Water <sup>[2]</sup>	(unit)
Staff	R	0.35	0.11	m <sup>3</sup> /head/day
Industrial (Tsuen Wan)	I	1600	210	m <sup>3</sup> /ha/day
Planter (Irrigation)	IRR	700	0	m <sup>3</sup> /ha/day

#### [1] Unit Demand Fresh Water:

- Residential  $0.35~\text{m}^3$ /head/day, including service trade allowance, has been adopted for Staff.
- Industrial (Tsuen Wan) 1600 m<sup>3</sup>/ha/day.
- Irrigation Area 70 litre / sq. meters of irrigation area / day.

#### [2] Unit Demand Salt Water:

- Residential 0.11 m<sup>3</sup>/head/day, including service trade allowance, has been adopted for Staff.
- Industrial (Tsuen Wan) 210 m<sup>3</sup>/ha/day.

**Table A2 - Flow Velocity Limit** 

Pipe Diameter	Fresh Water Distribution Mains	(unit)
> DN700	≤ 3	m/s
DN700 - DN525	≤ 2.5	m/s
DN450 - DN375	≤ 2	m/s
DN300 - DN200	≤ 1.5	m/s
< DN200	≤ 1.5	m/s
Pipe Diameter	Salt Water Distribution Mains	(unit)
≥ DN1000	≤ 3.0	m/s
DN900 - DN800	≤ 2.5	m/s
DN700 - DN525	≤ 2	m/s
DN450 - DN300	≤ 1.5	m/s
< DN300	≤ 1.5	m/s

<sup>[1]</sup> Refer to WSD Departmental Instruction 1309

# **Table B - Existing Water Demands**

# Non-Residential Area

	Category	GFA (ha)	Unit Demand Fresh Water (m³/ha/day)	
Industrial (Tsuen Wan) (I)	I	0.094	1600.000	210.000

Daily Demand	<b>Daily Demand Salt</b>	
Fresh Water	Water	
(m <sup>3</sup> /day)	(m <sup>3</sup> /day)	
150.594	19.765	

# **Summary**

	Daily Demand Fresh Water (m³/day)	Daily Demand Salt Water (m³/day)
<u>Total</u>	150.594	19.765

# **Table C1 - Water Demands of Water Cooling Tower System**

		Unit	Remark
Designed Cooling load (Nominal)	14	MW	
Working hour	24	hour/day	
Peak and Design Factor	1.45		
Water evaporating rate under nominal load (with Peak and Design Factor)	8.9942	kg/s	[1]
	777.10	m <sup>3</sup> /day	
Ratio of bleed-off water	20%	-	[2]
Amount of bleed-off water	155.42	m <sup>3</sup> /day	
Total water requirement	932.52	m <sup>3</sup> /day	

<sup>[1]</sup> Heat of vaporization for water is 2257 kJ/Kg

<sup>[2]</sup> A ratio 5:1 for evaporating: discharging has been adopted.

# **Table C2 - Proposed Water Demands**

Staff

	Category	Population	Unit Demand Fresh Water (m³/head/day)	Unit Demand Salt Water (m³/head/day)	Daily Demand Fresh Water (m³/day)	Daily Demand Salt Water (m³/day)
Staff	R	25	0.350	0.110	8.750	2.750

Water Cooling Tower System

	Category	GFA (ha)	Unit Demand Fresh Water (m³/ha/day)	Unit Demand Salt Water (m³/ha/day)	Daily Demand Fresh Water (m³/day)	Daily Demand Salt Water (m³/day)
Water Cooling Tower System	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	932.523	0.0

Public Open Space

	Category	Area (ha) <sup>[1]</sup>	Unit Demand Fresh Water (m³/ha/day)	Unit Demand Salt Water (m³/ha/day)	Daily Demand Fresh Water (m³/day)	Daily Demand Salt Water (m³/day)
Planter (IRR)	IRR	0.029	700.000	0.000	20.248	0.0

**Summary [3]** 

	Daily Demand Fresh Water (m³/day)	Daily Demand Salt Water (m³/day)
<u>Total</u>	961.521	2.750

Note:

[1] 30% of the Site area has been adopted for conservative assessment.

# **Table D - Summary of Water Demands**

# **Fresh Water Demand**

	Daily Demand - Fresh Water (m³/d)  Existing Proposed Net Increase			
Total	150.594	961.521	810.927	

# **Salt Water Demand**

	Daily Demand - Salt Water (m³/d)  Existing Proposed Net Increase			
Total	19.765	2.750	-17.015	

Fresh Water Reservoir Capacity

Reservoir	Capacity (x 1,000 m <sup>3</sup> )	Supply Capacity @ Capacity Factor = 0.8  (MLD) [1]	Existing Daily Consumption (MLD) [2]	Spare Capacity (MLD)	Remarks
Lai Chi Kok FWSR	93.702	117.13	54	63.1	The spare capacity of 63.1 MLD >> net increase of 0.8 MLD from the

**Salt Water Pumping Capacity** 

Pumping Station	Design Pumping Capacity (MLD)	Existing Daily Consumption (MLD) [2]	Spare Capacity (MLD)	Remarks
Tsuen Wan SWPS	93.0	93.0	0.0	The salt water demend of the Proposed Development will be reduced

<sup>[1]</sup> For interconnected supply zone with critical consumers, the capacity of the Reservior should be (75% + 5%) = 80% of the mean daily demend.

<sup>[2]</sup> Average daily Consumptions provided by WSD in May 2025.