

GPS Station Installation Guide

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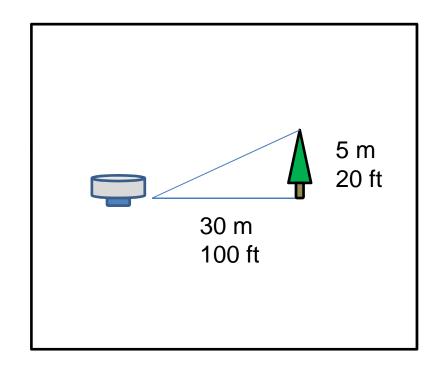
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Notes

 The following illustrations are meant to serve as a guide in providing the basic ideas necessary to create an effective GPS station. Each project site is different and therefore the GPS setups will require modifications to suit the particular environment.

GPS Site Selection Guidelines

- Rule of thumb: Ideally, for every 100 ft (30 m) from the antenna, the nearest obstruction should be no more than 20 ft (5 m) high.
- Avoid areas with reflective surfaces nearby (glass, metal walls..etc)
- AC Power is preferred when available
- When implementing a local wireless network, make sure line-of-sight is available to the Access Point
- Reference stations should move less than 1/10th the
 desired position resolution. The depth of the station
 required to achieve this condition will vary from site to
 site. Attach to bedrock when possible.
- For monitored stations, attach the antenna mounting bracket as closely as possible to the structure of interest.



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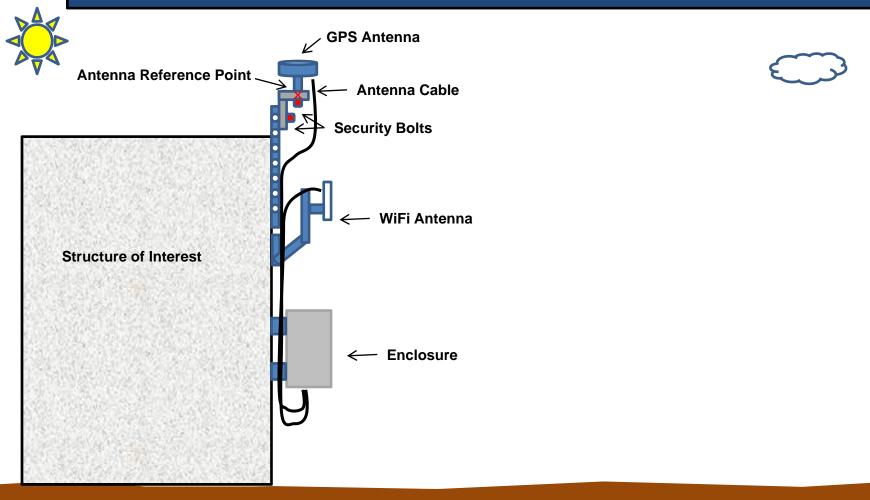
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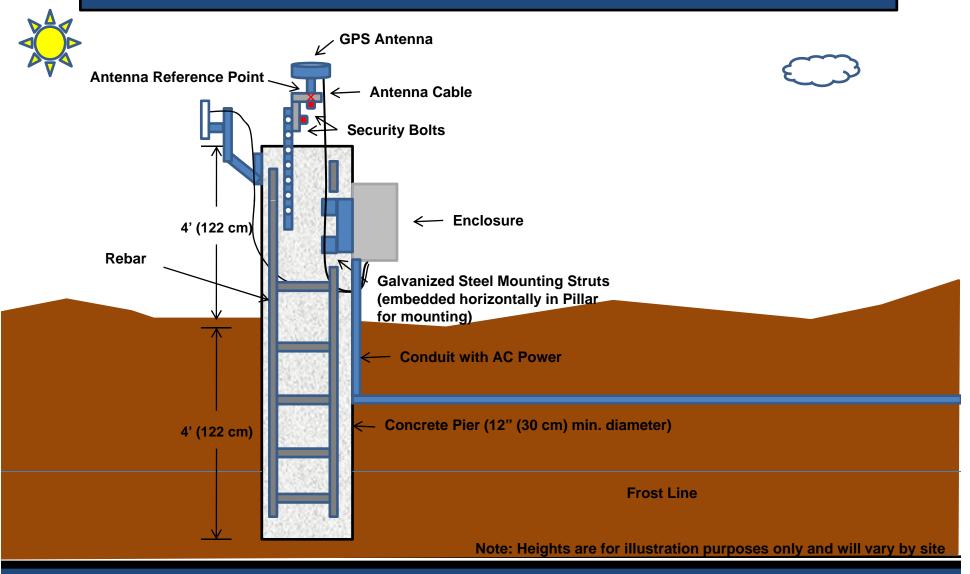
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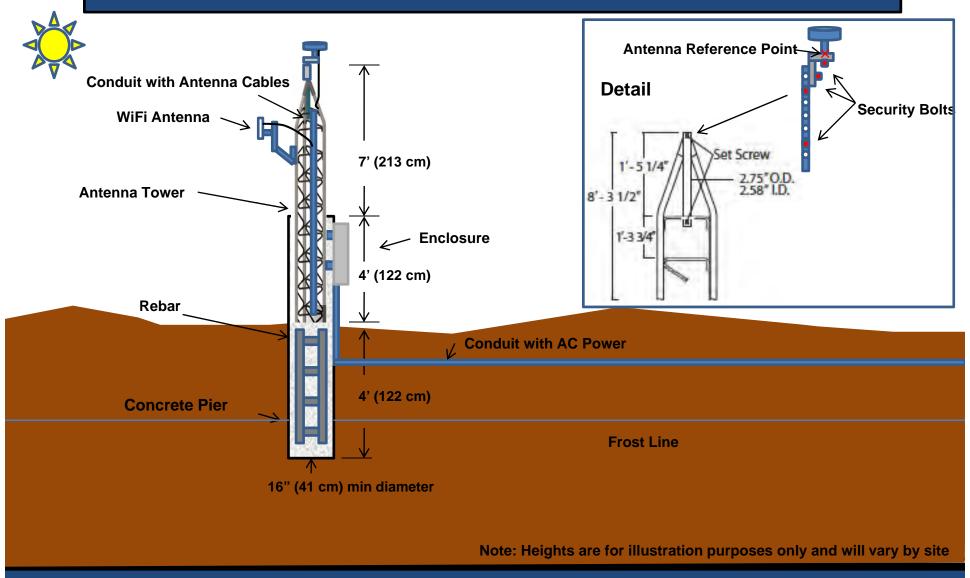
Structural Monitoring Installation: AC Power, WiFi



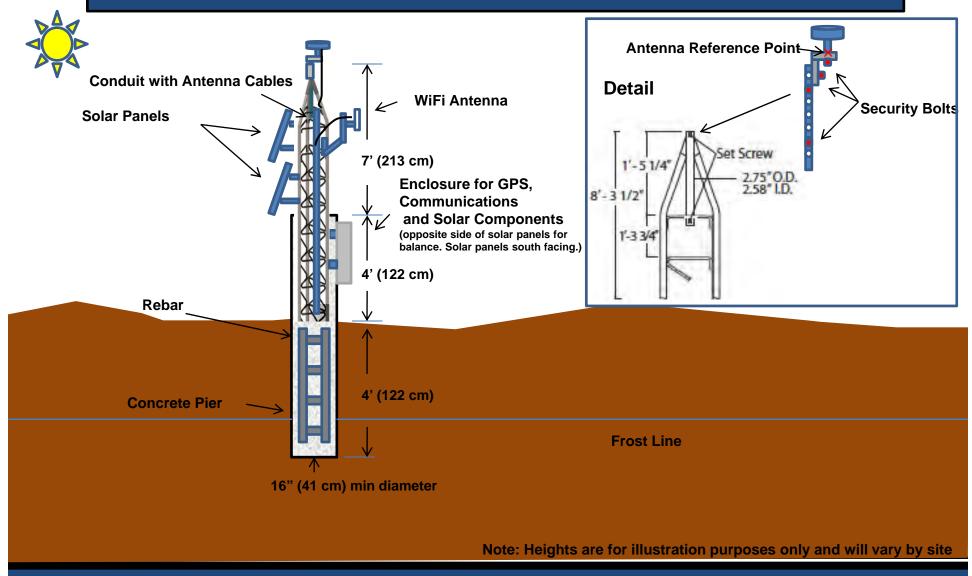
Soil Monitoring Installation: AC Power, WiFi, Concrete Pier



Soil Monitoring Installation: AC Power, WiFi, Mast Tower



Soil Monitoring Installation: Solar Power, WiFi, Mast Tower

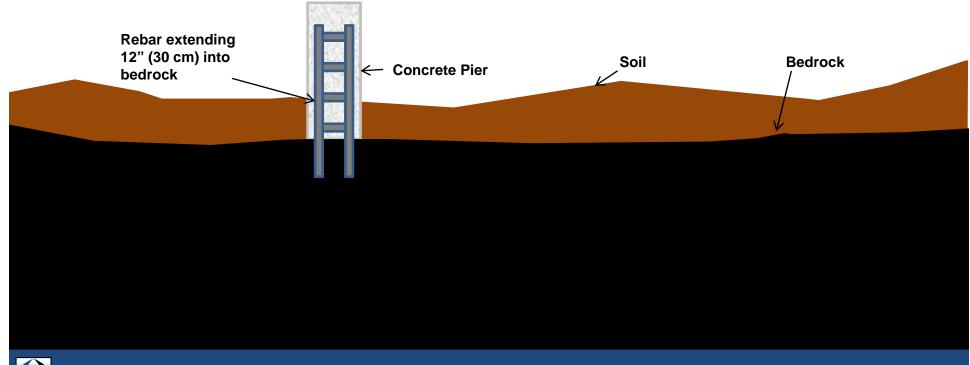


Soil Monitoring Installation: AC Power, WiFi, Post ← GPS Antenna WiFi Antenna **Solar Panel Enclosure** Mild Steel/Aluminium Post Rebar~ **Concrete Pier Frost Line** Note: Posts typically require freight shipment, whereas mast towers do not

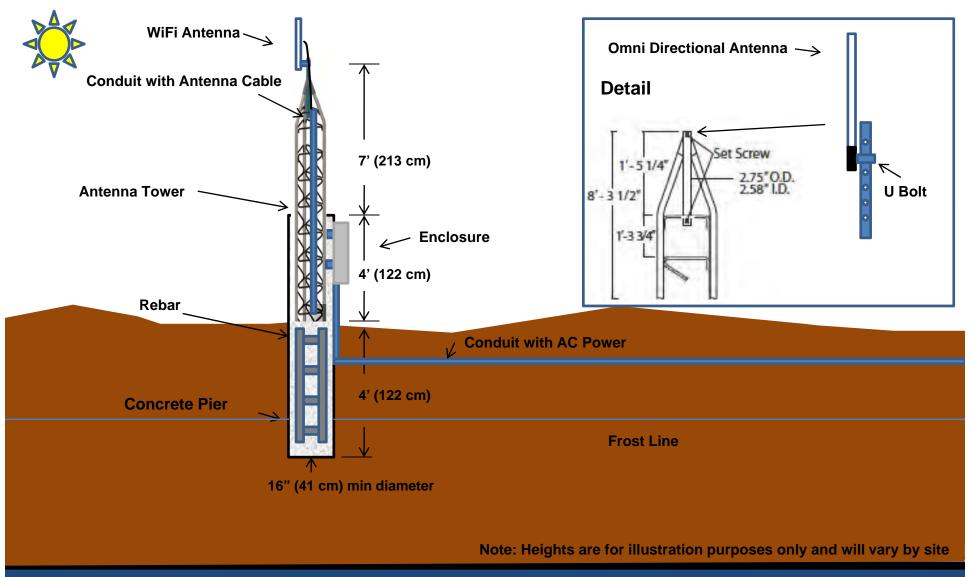
Bedrock Installation



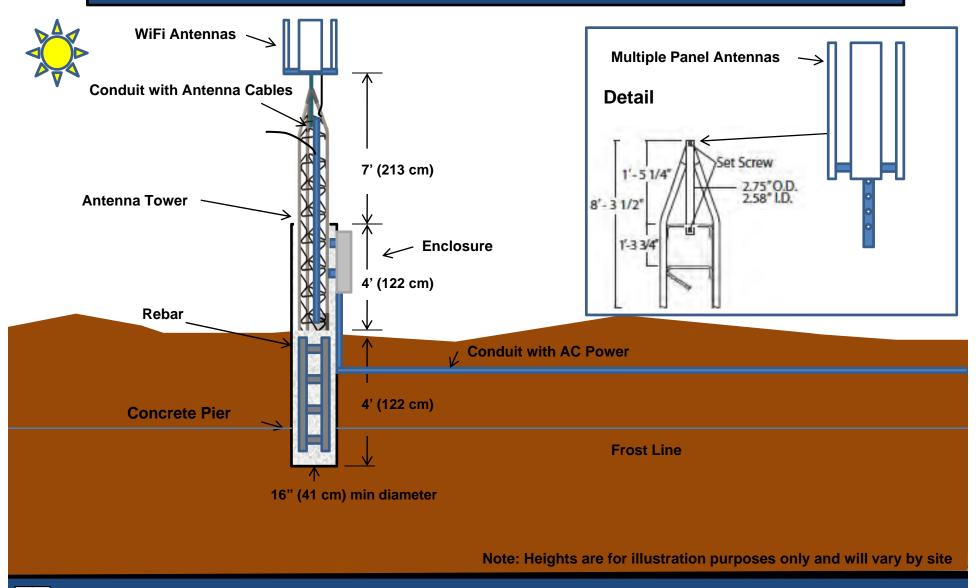




WiFi Access Point Installation: AC Power, Mast Tower



WiFi Access Point Installation: AC Power, Mast Tower, Ultra Long Range



Useful GPS Station Design References

Geological Survey of Canada:
 http://gsc.nrcan.gc.ca/geodyn/wcda/gpsmon_e.php

UNAVCO:

http://facility.unavco.org/kb/questions/285/National+Continuously+Operating+Reference+Station+(National+CORS)+Site+Monumentation+Final+Report+(2000)

• IGS:

http://igscb.jpl.nasa.gov/network/monumentation.html