



2020 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report

**Range Road Coal Combustion
Residual Landfill
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Executive Summary

On April 17, 2015, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) published the final rule for the regulation and management of Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) (the CCR Rule), as amended. The CCR Rule, which became effective on October 19, 2015 (with amendments in 2018 and 2020), applies to the DTE Electric Company (DTE Electric) Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill (RRLF) CCR unit. Pursuant to the CCR Rule, no later than January 31, 2018, and annually thereafter, the owner or operator of a CCR unit must prepare an annual groundwater monitoring and corrective action report for the CCR unit documenting the status of groundwater monitoring and corrective action for the preceding year in accordance with §257.90(e). On behalf of DTE Electric, TRC Engineers Michigan, Inc., the engineering entity of TRC, has prepared this 2020 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report for calendar year 2020 activities at the RRLF CCR unit.

DTE remained in detection monitoring at the RRLF CCR unit in 2020. The semiannual detection monitoring events for 2020 were completed in March and October 2020 and included sampling and analyzing groundwater within the groundwater monitoring system for the indicator parameters listed in Appendix III to the CCR Rule. As part of the statistical evaluation, the data collected during detection monitoring events are evaluated to identify statistically significant increases (SSIs) in detection monitoring parameters to determine if concentrations in detection monitoring well samples exceed background levels. Detection monitoring data that has been collected and evaluated in 2020 are presented in this report.

Potential SSIs over background limits were noted for several Appendix III constituents in one or more downgradient wells during the March 2020 monitoring event. These potential SSIs were either not statistically significant (i.e. verification resampling did not confirm the exceedance) or were evaluated and determined to be a result of natural variability as documented in an alternative source demonstration (ASD) and not attributable to the RRLF CCR unit. Therefore, detection monitoring will be continued at the RRLF CCR unit in accordance with §257.94 of the CCR Rule. With the presence of the vertically and horizontally extensive clay-rich confining till beneath the RRLF CCR unit, there is no reasonable probability for the uppermost aquifer to have been affected by CCR. from operations.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Program Summary

On April 17, 2015, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) published the final rule for the regulation and management of Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) (the CCR Rule), as amended. The CCR Rule, which became effective on October 19, 2015 (with amendments in 2018 and 2020), applies to the DTE Electric Company (DTE Electric) Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill (RRLF) CCR unit. Pursuant to the CCR Rule, no later than January 31, 2018, and annually thereafter, the owner or operator of a CCR unit must prepare an annual groundwater monitoring and corrective action report for the CCR unit documenting the status of groundwater monitoring and corrective action for the preceding year in accordance with §257.90(e). On behalf of DTE Electric, TRC Engineers Michigan, Inc., the engineering entity of TRC, has prepared this Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report for calendar year 2020 activities at the RRLF CCR unit (2020 Annual Report).

This 2020 Annual Report presents the monitoring results and the statistical evaluation of the detection monitoring parameters (Appendix III to Part 257 of the CCR Rule) for the March and October 2020 semiannual groundwater monitoring events for the RRLF CCR unit in addition to the ASD for the first semiannual 2020 detection monitoring event (Appendix A). Detection monitoring for these events continued to be performed in accordance with the CCR Groundwater Monitoring and Quality Assurance Project Plan – DTE Electric Company Range Road Landfill (QAPP) (TRC, July 2016; revised August 2017) and statistically evaluated per the Groundwater Statistical Evaluation Plan – DTE Electric Company Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill (Stats Plan) (TRC, October 2017). As part of the statistical evaluation, the data collected during detection monitoring events are evaluated to identify SSIs of detection monitoring parameters compared to background levels.

1.2 Site Overview

The RRLF is located in Section 12, Township 4 North, Range 16 East, 3600 Range Road, China Township in St. Clair County, Michigan. The site occupies approximately 514 acres and is one-half mile west of the St. Clair River and one mile north of the Belle River Power Plant. Prior to Detroit Edison's operations commencing in the 1950s, the RRLF property was used as farmland. The property has been used continuously as a coal ash landfill since Detroit Edison Company (now DTE Electric) began coal ash landfiling operations at the RRLF in the 1950s and is constructed over a natural confining, low permeability clay-rich soil base that serves as an underlying soil barrier. The RRLF property consists of approximately 514 acres of which approximately 402 acres are designated for landfill development. CCR currently occupies approximately 200 acres of the RRLF.

The RRLF is a licensed Type III solid waste disposal facility in accordance with Michigan's regulations, and is owned and operated by DTE Electric. The disposal facility currently accepts coal ash from DTE Electric's St. Clair and Belle River power plants, from the now inactive former DTE Electric Harbor Beach power plant and has historically accepted coal ash from the former DTE Electric Marysville power plant. The RRLF is operated under the current operating

license number 9395 in accordance with Michigan Part 115 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA), PA 451 of 1994, as amended.

1.3 Geology/Hydrogeology

The RRLF CCR unit is located approximately one-half mile west of the St. Clair River. In general, the RRLF is underlain by 86 to as much as 188 feet of laterally extensive low hydraulic conductivity silty clay-rich deposits. On the eastern portion and northwest corner of RRLF some thin partially saturated silty sand near-surface deposits are present. These deposits are not laterally contiguous, are not in communication with the deeper uppermost aquifer, do not yield a useable quantity of groundwater, and thus are not considered an aquifer per the CCR Rule. On a significant portion of the RRLF, there is a bedrock valley that trends from the northeast corner to the south-central area of the site. The valley is incised in the Bedford and/or Antrim Shale bedrock and filled with unconsolidated glacial deposits consisting of clay, silt, sand and/or gravel. Based on historical oil well logs from the RRLF area, the bedrock valley extends to depths of up to 303 feet below ground surface (ft bgs). Along the western portion of the RRLF, clay-rich till is present continuously to the top of the underlying Bedford or Antrim Shale bedrock in the area of SB-16-01 and SB-16-02 (Figure 1), creating a no flow boundary.

Groundwater within the uppermost aquifer sand/gravel is confined and protected from the CCR unit by the overlying clay-rich aquitard. The top of the sand/gravel uppermost aquifer encountered at each of the CCR monitoring wells and soil borings is at significantly different elevations across the RRLF that, where present, is first encountered at depths ranging from 86 to 196 ft bgs, immediately beneath the overlying clay-rich aquitard. The variability in boring/well depths is a consequence of the heterogeneity of the glacial deposits and is driven by the limited continuity of the coarse-grained sand and gravel outwash within the overlying/encapsulating fine-grained, silty clay till that confines the uppermost aquifer. In addition, there is an apparent lack of interconnection and/or significant vertical variation between the various uppermost aquifer sand and/or gravel units encountered across the RRLF CCR unit.

Given the horizontally expansive clay with substantial vertical thickness, the heterogeneity of the glacial deposits (with the top of the uppermost aquifer elevation across the RRLF CCR unit varying up to 100 feet vertically), the no-flow boundary to the west, and the lack of hydraulic interconnectedness of the uppermost aquifers encountered at the site in some areas, it is not appropriate to infer horizontal flow direction or gradients across the site. If CCR affected groundwater were able to penetrate the clay-rich underlying confining till, it would travel radially away from the RRLF. However, with the presence of the vertically and horizontally extensive clay-rich confining till beneath the RRLF CCR unit, there is no reasonable probability for the uppermost aquifer to have been affected by CCR from operations that began in the 1950s.

2.0 Groundwater Monitoring

2.1 Monitoring Well Network

A groundwater monitoring system has been established for the RRLF CCR unit as detailed in the Groundwater Monitoring System Summary Report – DTE Electric Company Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill (GWMS Report) (TRC, October 2017). The detection monitoring well network for the RRLF CCR unit currently consists of seven monitoring wells that are screened in the uppermost aquifer. Monitoring wells MW-16-01 through MW-16-07 are located around the north, east and south perimeter of the RRLF and provide data on both background and downgradient groundwater quality that has not been affected by the CCR unit (total of seven background/downgradient monitoring wells). The monitoring well locations are shown on Figure 2.

2.2 Semiannual Groundwater Monitoring

The semiannual monitoring parameters for the detection groundwater monitoring program were selected per the CCR Rule's Appendix III to Part 257 – Constituents for Detection Monitoring. The Appendix III indicator parameters consist of boron, calcium, chloride, fluoride, pH (field reading), sulfate, and total dissolved solids (TDS) and were analyzed in accordance with the sampling and analysis plan included within the QAPP. In addition to pH, the collected field parameters included dissolved oxygen, oxidation reduction potential, specific conductivity, temperature, and turbidity.

2.2.1 Data Summary

The first semiannual groundwater detection monitoring event for 2020 was performed during March 17 and 19, 2020 by TRC personnel and samples were analyzed by Eurofins TestAmerica (Eurofins) in accordance with the QAPP. Static water elevation data were collected at all seven monitoring well locations. Groundwater samples were collected from the seven detection monitoring wells for the Appendix III indicator parameters and field parameters. A summary of the groundwater data collected during the March 2020 event is provided on Table 1 (static groundwater elevation data), Table 2 (field data), and Table 3 (analytical results).

The second semiannual groundwater detection monitoring event for 2020 was performed during October 19 and 20, 2020 by TRC personnel and samples were analyzed by Eurofins in accordance with the QAPP. Static water elevation data were collected at all seven monitoring well locations. Groundwater samples were collected from the seven detection monitoring wells for the Appendix III indicator parameters and field parameters. A summary of the groundwater data collected during the October 2020 event is provided on Table 1 (static groundwater elevation data), Table 2 (field data), and Table 4 (analytical results).

2.2.2 Data Quality Review

Data from each round were evaluated for completeness, overall quality and usability, method-specified sample holding times, precision and accuracy, and potential sample contamination. The data were found to be complete and usable for the purposes of the CCR monitoring program. Data quality reviews are summarized in Appendix B.

2.2.3 Groundwater Flow Rate and Direction

As presented in the GWMS Report, and mentioned above, given the horizontally expansive clay with substantial vertical thickness, the heterogeneity of the glacial deposits (with the top of the uppermost aquifer elevation across the RRLF CCR unit varying up to 100 feet vertically), the no-flow boundary to the west, and the lack of hydraulic interconnectedness of the uppermost aquifers encountered at the site in some areas, it is not appropriate to infer horizontal flow direction or gradients across the site. Groundwater elevations measured across the Site during the March 2020 sampling event are provided on Table 1 and are summarized in plan view on Figure 3. Groundwater elevations measured across the Site during the October 2020 sampling event are provided on Table 1 and are summarized in plan view on Figure 4.

Groundwater elevation data collected during the most recent sampling event show that groundwater conditions within the uppermost aquifer are consistent with previous monitoring events and continue to demonstrate that the downgradient wells are appropriately positioned to detect the presence of Appendix III parameters that could potentially migrate from the RRLF CCR unit.

3.0 Statistical Evaluation

3.1 Establishing Background Limits

As discussed in the Stats Plan, intrawell statistical methods for RRLF were selected based on the geology and hydrogeology at the Site (primarily the presence of clay/hydraulic barrier, the variability in the presence of the uppermost aquifer across the site, and the presence of a no flow boundary on the west side of the aquifer), in addition to other supporting lines of evidence that the aquifer is unaffected by the CCR unit (such as the consistency in concentrations of water quality data). An intrawell statistical approach requires that each downgradient well doubles as a background and compliance well, where data from each individual well during a detection monitoring event is compared to a statistical limit developed using the background dataset from that same well.

Per the Stats Plan, background limits were established for the Appendix III indicator parameters following the collection of at least eight background monitoring events using data collected from each of the seven established detection monitoring wells (MW-16-01 through MW-16-07). The statistical evaluation of the background data is presented in the 2017 Annual Report. The Appendix III background limits for each monitoring well will be used throughout the detection monitoring period to determine whether groundwater has been impacted from the RRLF CCR unit by comparing concentrations in the detection monitoring wells to their respective background limits for each Appendix III indicator parameter.

3.2 Data Comparison to Background Limits – First 2020 Semiannual Event

For each semiannual monitoring event, the concentrations of the indicator parameters in each of the detection monitoring wells (MW-16-01 through MW-16-07) were compared to their respective statistical background limits.

The comparisons for the March 2020 monitoring event are presented on Table 3. The statistical evaluation of the March 2020 Appendix III indicator parameters showed potential initial SSIs over background for:

- Sulfate at MW-16-01.

The boron exceedance at MW-16-01, the sulfate and calcium exceedances at MW-16-06, and the chloride exceedance at MW-16-07 during the First 2020 Semiannual Event have been previously demonstrated to be from natural variability and are not from the CCR unit as presented in various ASDs that were included in the *2018 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report (2018 GWMR)*(TRC, January 2019), and *2019 Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report (2019 GWMR)*(TRC, January 2020).

3.3 Verification Resampling for the First 2020 Semiannual Event

Verification resampling is performed per the Stats Plan and the *USEPA's Statistical Analysis of Groundwater Monitoring Data at RCRA Facilities, Unified Guidance* (Unified Guidance, USEPA, 2009) to achieve performance standards as specified by §257.93(g) in the CCR Rule. Per the Stats Plan, if there is an exceedance of a prediction limit for one or more of the parameters, the

well(s) of concern will be resampled within 30 days of the completion of the initial statistical analysis. Only constituents that initially exceed their statistical limit (i.e., have no previously recorded SSIs) will be analyzed for verification purposes.

Verification resampling for the March 2020 event was conducted on April 30, 2020 by TRC personnel. A groundwater sample was collected for sulfate at MW-16-01 in accordance with the QAPP. A summary of the analytical results collected during the April 2020 resampling event is provided on Table 3. The associated data quality review is included in the ASD in Appendix A. The verification result for sulfate at MW-16-01 confirmed the SSI from the March 2020 sampling event. TRC reviewed the data and determined that sulfate is a result of natural variability in groundwater quality and not attributable to the RRLF CCR unit as presented in the *Alternate Source Demonstration: First Semiannual 2020 Detection Monitoring Sampling Event for the Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill, China Township, Michigan* dated August 12, 2020 (August 2020 ASD) (Appendix A). As such, detection monitoring was continued in accordance with §257.94 of the CCR Rule.

3.4 Data Comparison to Background Limits – Second 2020 Semiannual Event

The data comparisons for the October 2020 groundwater monitoring event are presented on Table 4. The statistical evaluation of the October 2020 Appendix III indicator parameters shows no potential initial SSIs over background.

The calcium and sulfate concentrations at MW-16-06, and chloride concentration at MW-16-07 during the Second 2020 Semiannual Event have been previously demonstrated to be from natural variability and are not from the CCR unit as presented in the ASDs included in the 2018 GWMR and 2019 GWMR.

4.0 Conclusions and Recommendations

A potential SSI over background limits for sulfate at MW-16-01 was noted during the March 2020 monitoring event. The observed concentrations were demonstrated to be a result of natural variability in groundwater quality and not attributable to the RRLF CCR unit, as documented in an ASD (Appendix A). As discussed above, and in the GWMS Report, with the presence of the vertically and horizontally extensive clay-rich confining till beneath the RRLF CCR unit, there is no reasonable probability for the uppermost aquifer to have been affected by CCR from operations. Therefore, detection monitoring will be continued at the RRLF CCR unit in accordance with §257.94.

No corrective actions were performed in 2020. The next semiannual monitoring event at the RRLF CCR unit is scheduled for the second calendar quarter of 2021.


5.0 Groundwater Monitoring Report Certification

The U.S. EPA's Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals from Electric Utilities Final Rule Title 40 CFR Part 257 §257.90(e) requires that the owner or operator of an existing CCR unit prepare an annual groundwater monitoring and corrective action report.

**Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report Certification
Range Road Landfill
China Township, Michigan**

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the annual groundwater and corrective action report presented within this document for the RRLF CCR unit has been prepared to meet the requirements of Title 40 CFR §257.90(e) of the Federal CCR Rule. This document is accurate and has been prepared in accordance with good engineering practices, including the consideration of applicable industry standards, and with the requirements of Title 40 CFR §257.90(e).

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Tables

Table 1
Summary of Groundwater Elevation Data – March and October 2020
Range Road Landfill – RCRA CCR Monitoring Program
China Township, Michigan

Well ID	MW-16-01		MW-16-02		MW-16-03		MW-16-04		MW-16-05		MW-16-06		MW-16-07	
Date Installed	1/13/2016		1/27/2016		2/1/2016		5/24/2016		5/13/2016		5/10/2016		5/13/2016	
TOC Elevation	595.35		598.44		597.69		596.87		601.97		600.68		589.34	
Geologic Unit of Screened interval	Sand with Silt		Silty Sand with Gravel		Silty Gravel with Sand		Silty Sand		Gravel with Sand		Sand		Sand	
Screened Interval Elevation	390.7 to 385.7		393.8 to 388.8		432.1 to 427.1		414.1 to 409.1		476.6 to 471.6		508.0 to 503.0		494.4 to 489.4	
Unit	ft BTOC	ft	ft BTOC	ft	ft BTOC	ft	ft BTOC	ft	ft BTOC	ft	ft BTOC	ft	ft BTOC	ft
Measurement Date	Depth to Water	GW Elevation	Depth to Water	GW Elevation	Depth to Water	GW Elevation	Depth to Water	GW Elevation	Depth to Water	GW Elevation	Depth to Water	GW Elevation	Depth to Water	GW Elevation
03/17/2020	18.20	577.15	20.55	577.89	19.85	577.84	19.06	577.81	27.26	574.71	23.42	577.26	16.40	572.94
10/09/2020	18.31	577.04	20.24	578.20	20.04	577.65	19.34	577.53	27.56	574.41	23.71	576.97	15.27	574.07

Notes:

Elevations are reported in feet relative to the North American Vertical Datum of 1988.

ft BTOC - feet below top of casing.

Table 2
 Summary of Field Data – March and October 2020
 Range Road Landfill – RCRA CCR Monitoring Program
 China Township, Michigan

Sample Location	Sample Date	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Oxidation Reduction Potential (mV)	pH (SU)	Specific Conductivity (umhos/cm)	Temperature (deg C)	Turbidity (NTU)
MW-16-01	3/19/2020	1.40	-89.1	7.7	2,509	9.5	1.85
	10/20/2020	1.06	-36.8	7.2	1,782	10.7	3.24
MW-16-02	3/19/2020	0.09	-190.1	8.3	2,172	10.0	4.15
	10/20/2020	0.98	-211.2	8.2	1,698	10.4	2.41
MW-16-03	3/18/2020	0.04	-148.6	8.0	1,805	10.7	2.68
	10/20/2020	0.95	-171.2	8.0	1,502	10.9	2.72
MW-16-04	3/18/2020	0.22	-173.1	8.2	8,577	11.2	9.41
	10/20/2020	3.55	-107.7	7.6	7,116	11.5	3.92
MW-16-05	3/19/2020	0.08	-130.7	8.2	1,958	10.7	2.17
	10/19/2020	0.96	-48.2	8.1	1,565	10.5	3.27
MW-16-06	3/18/2020	0.14	-112.6	7.7	1,773	11.1	1.53
	10/20/2020	1.02	-139.1	7.7	1,466	10.8	1.97
MW-16-07	3/19/2020	1.65	-111.5	8.3	1,423	10.0	73.0
	10/20/2020	0.93	-136.7	7.7	994	10.5	24.9

Notes:

mg/L - Milligrams per Liter.

mV - Millivolts.

SU - Standard Units.

umhos/cm - Micromhos per centimeter.

°C - Degrees Celcius.

NTU - Nephelometric Turbidity Unit.

Table 3
Comparison of Appendix III Parameter Results to Background Limits – March and April 2020
Range Road Landfill – RCRA CCR Monitoring Program
China Township, Michigan

Sample Location:		MW-16-01			MW-16-02		MW-16-03		MW-16-04		MW-16-05		MW-16-06		MW-16-07	
Sample Date:		3/19/2020	4/30/2020 ⁽¹⁾	PL	3/19/2020	PL	3/18/2020	PL	3/18/2020	PL	3/19/2020	PL	3/18/2020	PL	3/19/2020	PL
Constituent	Unit	Data			Data		Data		Data		Data		Data		Data	
Appendix III																
Boron	ug/L	580⁽²⁾	--	560	1,100	1,100	1,200	1,200	1,100	1,100	1,300	1,400	1,100	1,200	910	950
Calcium	ug/L	82,000	--	89,000	22,000	24,000	20,000	21,000	67,000	67,000	18,000	19,000	34,000⁽³⁾	31,000	43,000	66,000
Chloride	mg/L	720	--	770	670	720	540	550	3,500	3,600	580	620	530	590	370⁽⁴⁾	330
Fluoride	mg/L	0.84	--	0.95	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.3	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.9	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.3
pH, Field	SU	7.7	--	7.1 - 8.4	8.3	8.2 - 9.0	8.0	8.0 - 8.8	8.2	7.5 - 8.5	8.2	8.0 - 8.9	7.7	7.6 - 8.4	8.3	7.2 - 8.3
Sulfate	mg/L	44	46⁽⁵⁾	43	1.5	10	< 10	10	< 5.0	50	3.6	10	51⁽²⁾	31	3.8	120
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	1,200	--	1,300	1,100	1,200	910	1,200	4,200	5,300	1,100	1,200	890	1,100	720	770

Notes:

ug/L - micrograms per liter.

mg/L - milligrams per liter.

SU - standard units; pH is a field parameter.

All metals were analyzed as total unless otherwise specified.

Bold font indicates an exceedance of the Prediction Limit (PL).

RESULT Shading and bold font indicates a confirmed exceedance of the Prediction Limit (PL).

(1) - Results shown for Verification sampling performed on 4/30/2020.

(2) - Concentration addressed through First 2018 semiannual alternative source demonstration dated August 1, 2018.

(3) - Concentration addressed through First 2019 Semiannual alternative source demonstration dated August 8, 2019.

(4) - Concentration addressed through initial alternative source demonstration dated April 12, 2018.

(5) - New successful alternative source demonstration was completed following confirmation of initial statistically significant exceedance.

Table 4
 Comparison of Appendix III Parameter Results to Background Limits – October 2020
 Range Road Landfill – RCRA CCR Monitoring Program
 China Township, Michigan

Sample Location:		MW-16-01		MW-16-02		MW-16-03		MW-16-04		MW-16-05		MW-16-06		MW-16-07	
Sample Date:		10/20/2020	PL	10/20/2020	PL	10/20/2020	PL	10/20/2020	PL	10/19/2020	PL	10/20/2020	PL	10/20/2020	PL
Constituent	Unit	Data		Data		Data		Data		Data		Data		Data	
Appendix III															
Boron	ug/L	560	560	1,100	1,100	1,100	1,200	1,000	1,100	1,300	1,400	1,100	1,200	880	950
Calcium	ug/L	79,000	89,000	22,000	24,000	19,000	21,000	65,000	67,000	18,000	19,000	33,000⁽¹⁾	31,000	41,000	66,000
Chloride	mg/L	690	770	620	720	520	550	3,100	3,600	550	620	510	590	350⁽²⁾	330
Fluoride	mg/L	0.75	0.95	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.3	1.4	1.6	1.9	1.9	1.5	1.6	1.2	1.3
pH, Field	SU	7.2	7.1 - 8.4	8.2	8.2 - 9.0	8.0	8.0 - 8.8	7.6	7.5 - 8.5	8.1	8.0 - 8.9	7.7	7.6 - 8.4	7.7	7.2 - 8.3
Sulfate	mg/L	32	43	<10	10	<5.0	10	<5.0	50	1.1	10	40⁽³⁾	31	2.7	120
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/L	1,200	1,300	1,100	1,200	990	1,200	4,200	5,300	940	1,200	970	1,100	670	770

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ug/L - micrograms per liter.

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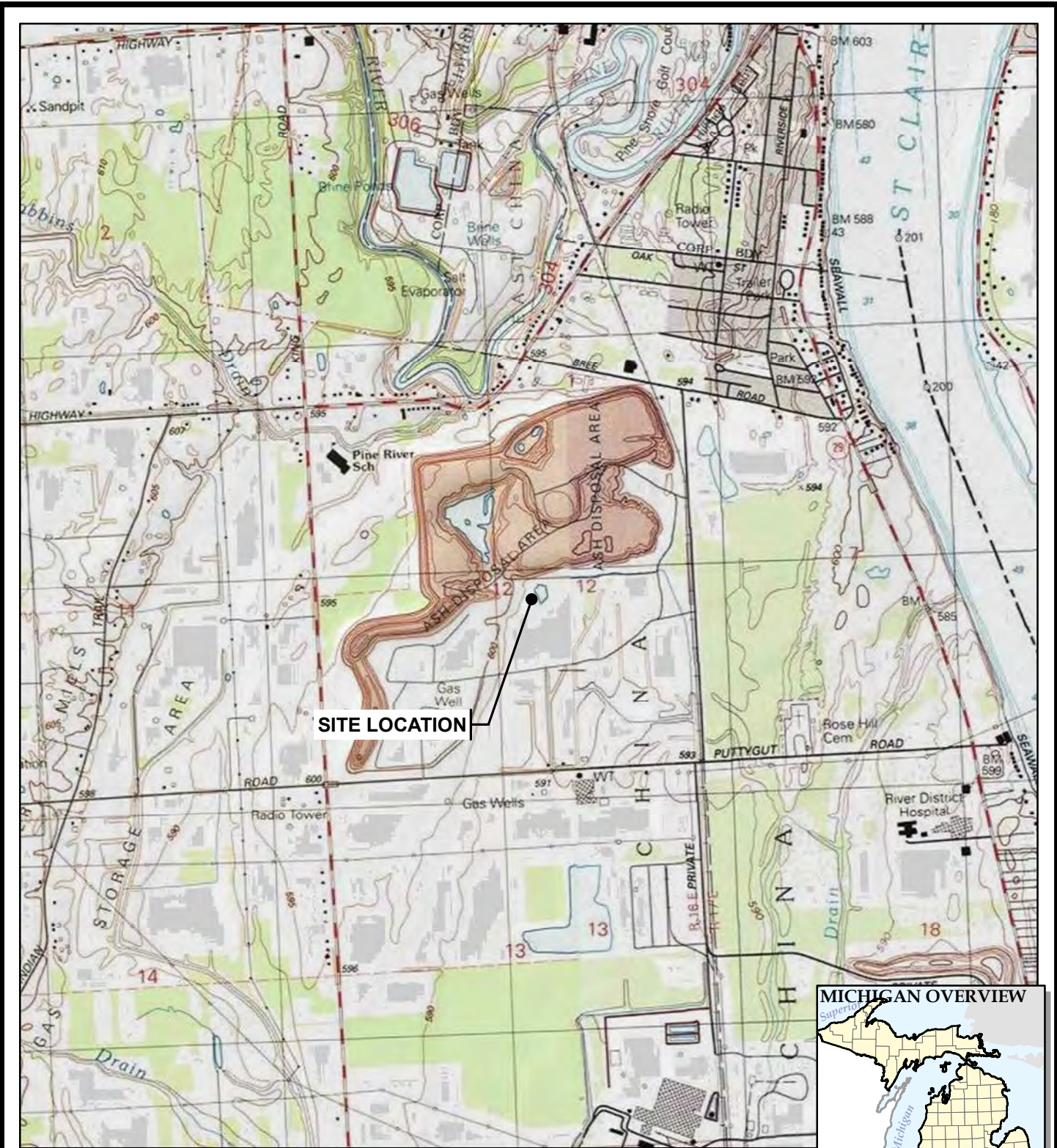
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Figures



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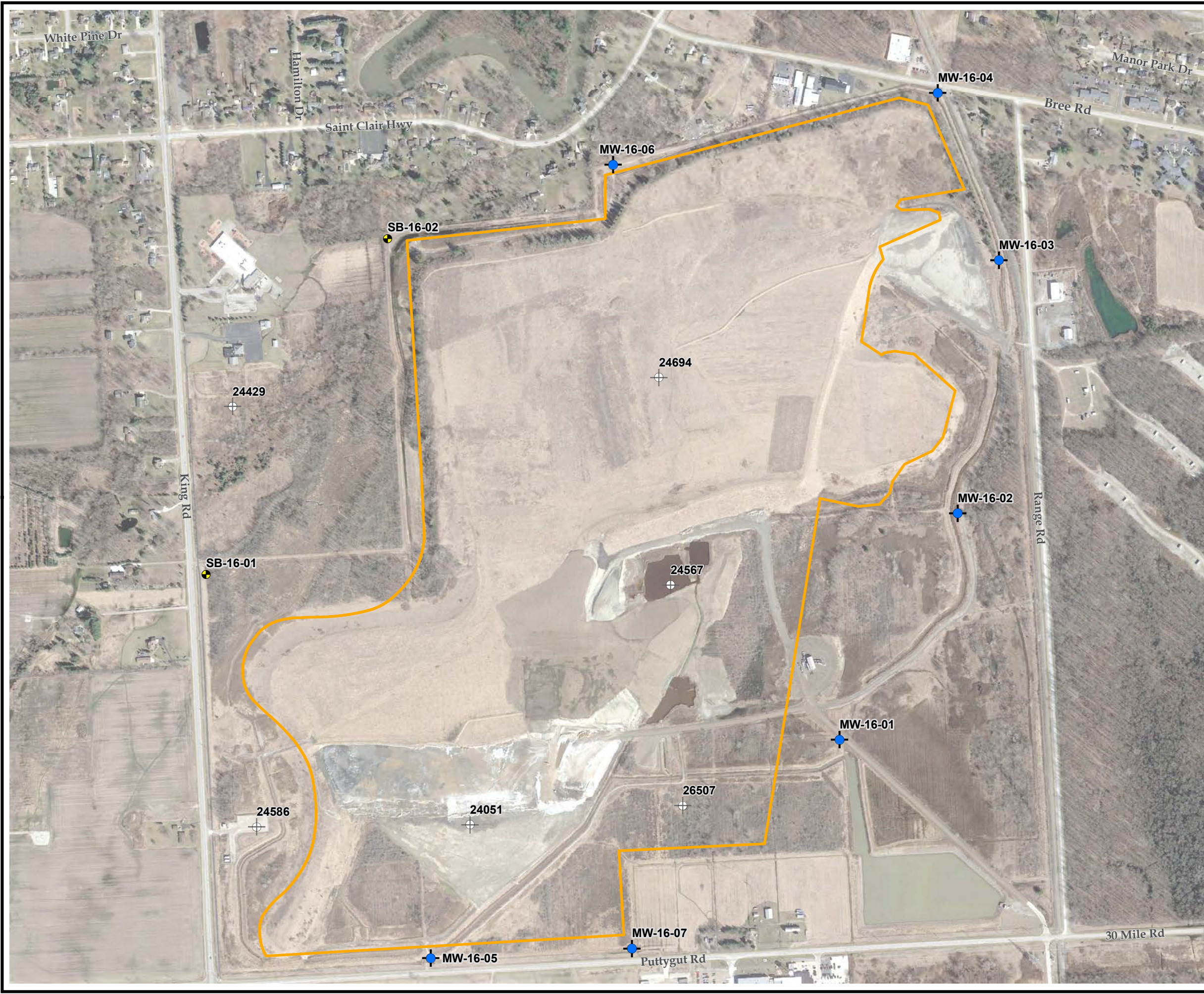
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- OIL/GAS WELL LOCATION

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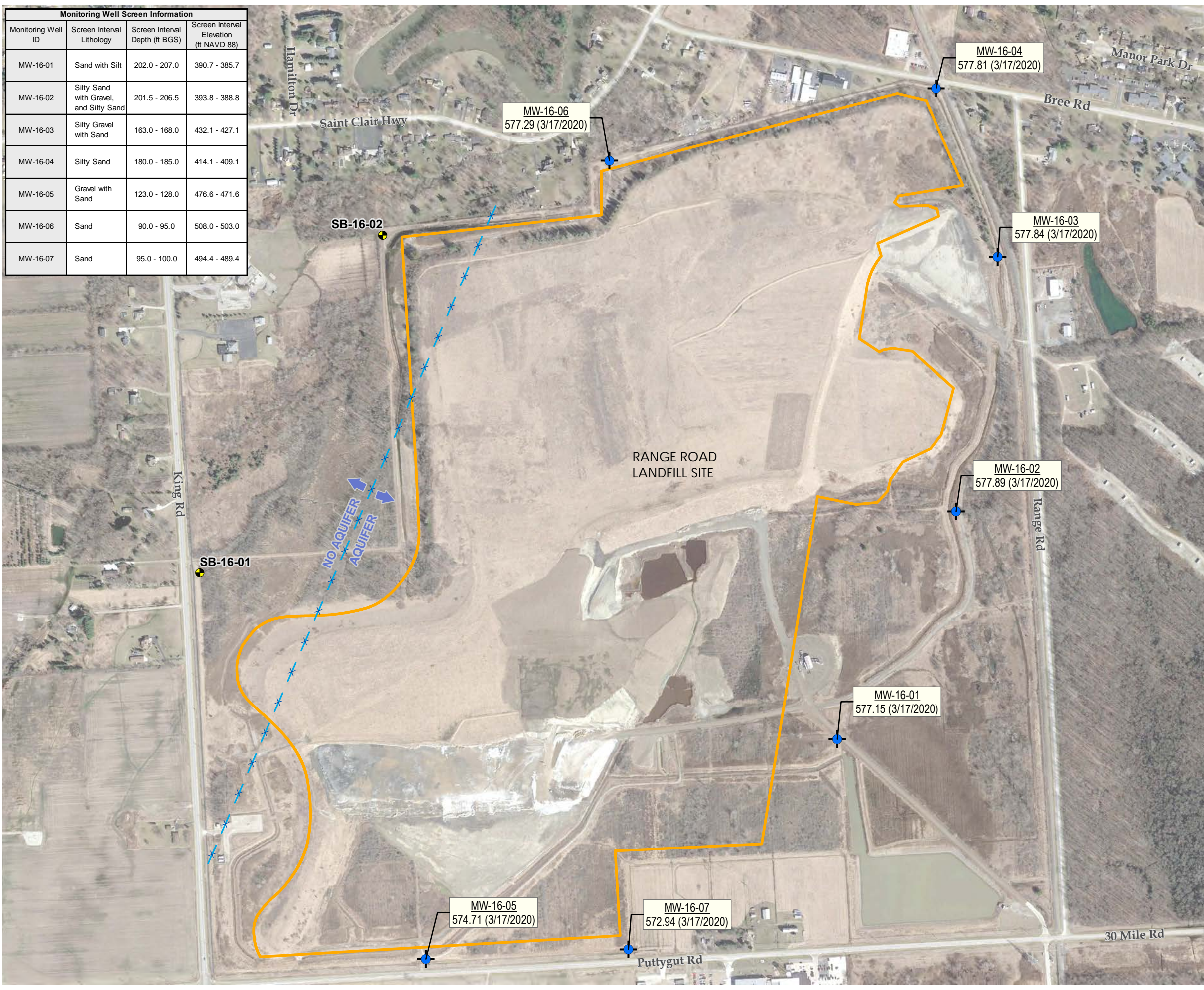
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MW-16-03	Silty Gravel with Sand	163.0 - 168.0	432.1 - 427.1
MW-16-04	Silty Sand	180.0 - 185.0	414.1 - 409.1
MW-16-05	Gravel with Sand	123.0 - 128.0	476.6 - 471.6
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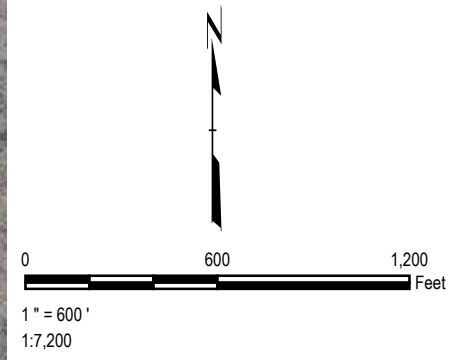
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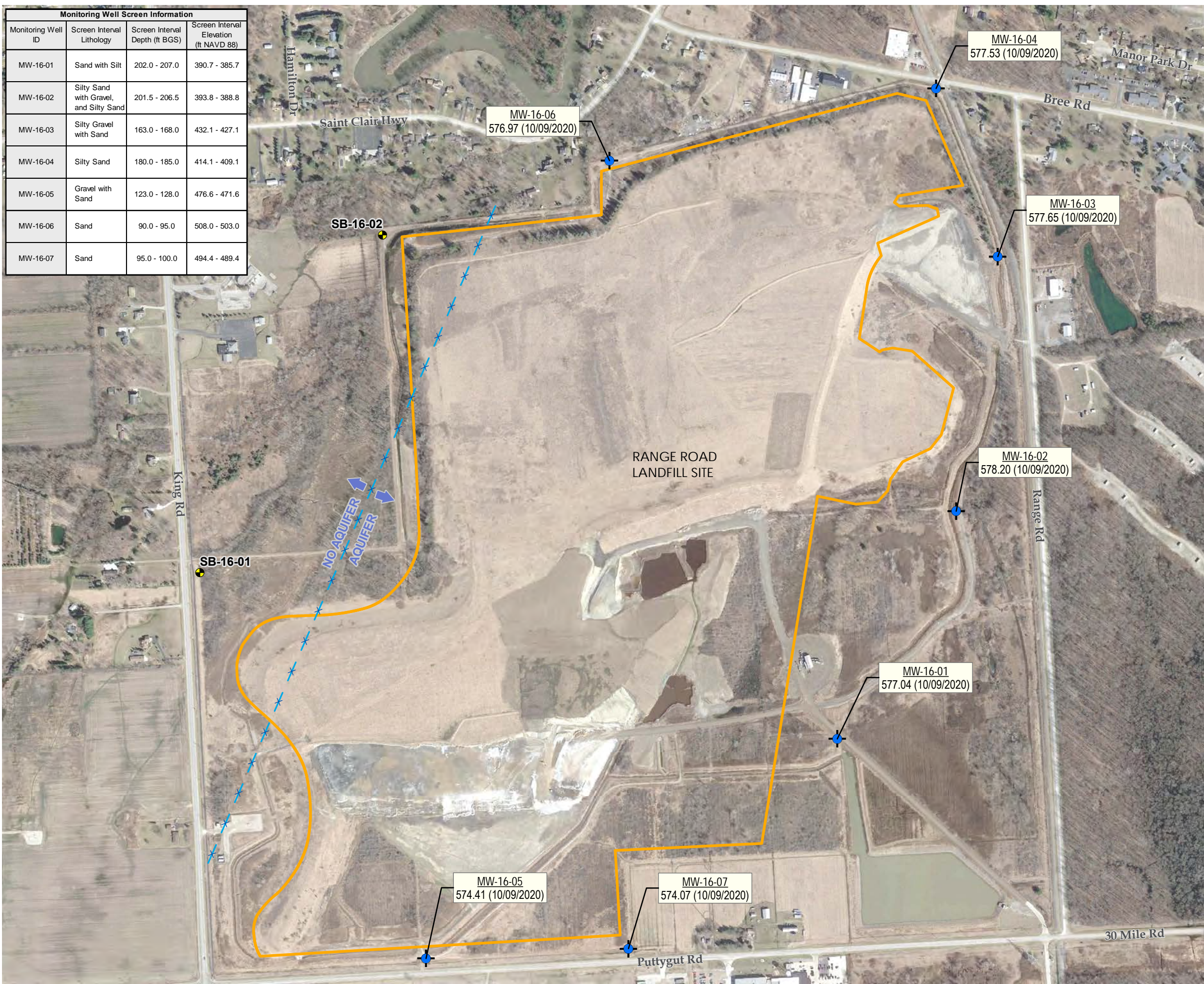
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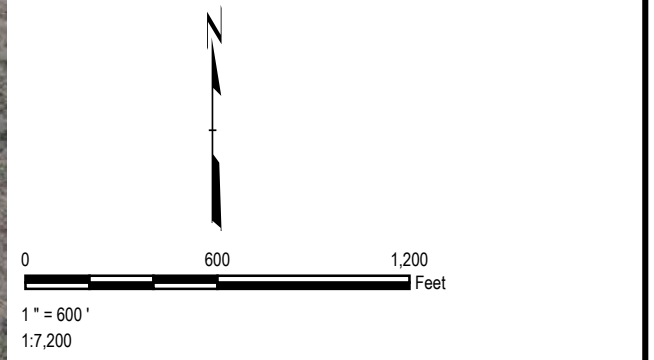
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Appendix A
Alternate Source Demonstration: First 2020
Semiannual Detection Monitoring Sampling
Event

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Date: August 12, 2020

To: Chris Scieszka
DTE Electric Company

From: Vincent Buening, TRC
David McKenzie, TRC

Project No.: 370029.0000.0000 Phase 1 Task 2

Subject: Alternate Source Demonstration: First Semiannual 2020 Detection Monitoring Sampling Event for the Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill, China Township, Michigan

Introduction

On April 17, 2015, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) published the final rule for the regulation and management of Coal Combustion Residuals (CCR) under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) (the CCR Rule). The CCR Rule, which became effective on October 19, 2015, applies to the DTE Electric Company (DTE Electric) Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill (RRLF) CCR unit.

TRC Engineers Michigan, Inc. (TRC) conducted the first semiannual 2020 detection monitoring event at the RRLF on behalf of DTE Electric on March 17 through March 19, 2020, in accordance with the CCR Groundwater Monitoring and Quality Assurance Project Plan – DTE Electric Company Range Road Landfill (QAPP) (TRC, July 2016; revised August 2017). The semiannual groundwater monitoring event included the statistical evaluation of the detection monitoring parameters (Appendix III to Part 257 of the CCR Rule) for the RRLF CCR unit. This event was the sixth detection monitoring event performed to comply with §257.94. As part of the statistical evaluation, the data collected during detection monitoring events are evaluated to identify statistically significant increases (SSIs) in detection monitoring parameters to determine if concentrations in detection monitoring well samples exceed background levels. The statistical analysis was performed pursuant to §257.93(f) and (g), and in accordance with the Groundwater Statistical Evaluation Plan (Stats Plan) (TRC, 2017).

The statistical evaluation of the March 2020 Appendix III indicator parameters showed potential SSIs over background for:

- Boron at MW-16-01 (580 µg/L);
- Calcium at MW-16-06 (34,000 µg/L);
- Chloride at MW-16-07 (370 mg/L);
- Sulfate at MW-16-06 (51 mg/L), and MW-16-01 (44 mg/L)

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However, as discussed in more detail below, verification sampling conducted in April 2020 only confirmed the SSI for sulfate at MW-16-01. All other Appendix III constituents were within the statistical background limits or addressed with Alternate Source Demonstrations (ASDs) as follows:

- *Alternate Source Demonstration: 2017 Initial Detection Monitoring Sampling Event Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill, China Township, Michigan* dated April 12, 2018.
- *Alternate Source Demonstration: First 2018 Semiannual Detection Monitoring Sampling Event for the Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill, China Township, Michigan* dated August 1, 2018.
- *Alternate Source Demonstration: First 2019 Semiannual Detection Monitoring Sampling Event for the Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill, China Township, Michigan* dated August 8, 2019.

In accordance with §257.94(e)(2), DTE Electric may demonstrate that a source other than the CCR unit caused the SSI or that the SSI resulted from error in sampling, analysis, statistical evaluation, or natural variation in groundwater quality. This Alternate Source Demonstration (ASD) has been prepared to address the potential SSI identified in the March 2020 detection monitoring event.

Background

The RRLF is located in Section 12, Township 4 North, Range 16 East, 3600 Range Road, China Township in St. Clair County, Michigan. The site location is shown in Figure 1. The property has been used continuously as a coal ash landfill since Detroit Edison Company (now DTE Electric) began coal ash landfilling operations in the 1950s. The property consists of approximately 514 acres of which approximately 402 acres are designated for CCR landfill development, half of which is currently occupied with CCR (TRC, January 2018).

The RRLF CCR unit is immediately underlain by 86 to 188 feet of laterally extensive, low hydraulic conductivity silty clay-rich deposits. A no flow boundary is formed across the western portion of the RRLF by clay-rich till which is present continuously to the top of bedrock in this area. Beneath the clay rich aquitard, a sand/gravel layer is encountered, which contains the uppermost aquifer present beneath the RRLF. This aquifer is encountered at different elevations beneath the RRLF between 86 and 196 feet below ground surface (ft bgs). As a result of site specific geologic and hydrogeologic conditions, downward migration of CCR leachate is not expected, and it is not appropriate to infer horizontal flow directions across the site. Please refer to the Annual Report for further details regarding site-specific hydrogeology (TRC, January 2020).

Shallow groundwater in the area of the RRLF is typically from glacial deposits and considered very hard, high in sulfate, and typically low in chloride (Apple and Reeves, 2007).

The detection monitoring well network for the RRLF currently consists of 7 monitoring wells that are screened in the uppermost aquifer and are all considered to be downgradient monitoring wells. The monitoring well locations are shown in Figure 2. The Groundwater Monitoring System Summary Report – DTE Electric Range Road Coal Combustion Residual Landfill (GWMS Report) details the

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groundwater monitoring system (TRC, October 2017).

Alternate Source Demonstration

Verification resampling was performed as recommended per the Stats Plan and the USEPA's Statistical Analysis of Groundwater Monitoring Data at RCRA Facilities, Unified Guidance (Unified Guidance, USEPA, 2009) to achieve performance standards as specified by §257.93(g) in the CCR Rule. Per the Stats Plan, if there is an exceedance of a prediction limit for one or more of the parameters, the well(s) of concern will be resampled within 30 days of the completion of the initial statistical analysis. Only constituents that initially exceed their statistical limit (i.e., have no previously recorded SSIs) will be analyzed for verification purposes. As such, verification resampling was conducted on April 30, 2020, by TRC personnel for monitoring well MW-16-01. Groundwater samples were collected in accordance with the Quality Assurance Project Plan (TRC, August 2016; Revised March 2017). A summary of the groundwater data collected during the verification resampling event is provided on Table 1. The associated data quality review is included in Attachment A, which indicates that the data quality objectives and laboratory completeness goals for the project were met, and the data are usable for their intended purpose.

The verification resampling confirmed the slight sulfate exceedance at MW-16-01. The following discussion presents the ASD for the confirmed prediction limit exceedances for sulfate at MW-16-01.

Sulfate at MW-16-01: The SSI of sulfate at MW-16-01, shown graphically as data points greater than the prediction limit in Chart 1, are the result of natural spatial variability in groundwater quality at the site and not the result of a release from the RRLF CCR unit. Multiple lines of evidence are provided in support of this conclusion and are as follows:

- **Spatial variability in groundwater quality** – After 8 background sampling events, the prediction limits calculated for each of the 7 monitoring wells range from 10 mg/L to 120 mg/L. This variability in groundwater quality across the site, which covers an approximately half square mile area, shows that the sulfate concentrations vary spatially throughout the uppermost aquifer and support that the confirmed sulfate SSI at MW-16-01 is attributed to spatial variability, well within the range of concentrations observed throughout the well network.
- **Insufficient background sampling timeline to account for long-term trends** – Variability in sulfate concentrations observed in the groundwater at RRLF during the background sampling events provides evidence of the heterogeneity of this constituent in groundwater. The short duration of the background sampling events limits the ability of the statistical analysis to capture the natural temporal trends in the groundwater quality at the RRLF.
- **Lack of similar increase in other indicator parameters** – The lack of SSIs for any other parameters within the same monitoring well, and across the other wells within the monitoring well network, also supports a source other than CCR for the observed sulfate SSI at this location.
- **Time of travel analysis** – The clay formation immediately beneath the RRLF CCR unit provides a natural geologic barrier to migration of CCR constituents to the underlying aquifer. The vertical extent of the clay layer beneath the CCR unit is shown in Figures 4 through 6 as cross-sections. Figure 3 shows the cross-section locations in plan view. Conservatively calculating a time of travel for liquid from the base of the RRLF through a minimum of 86 feet of clay, to the underlying upper

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aquifer, yields over 1,300 years of travel time (TRC, October 2017). The RRLF began accepting coal ash in approximately 1950, so, based on this analysis, there is no potential for indicator parameters to have migrated to the upper aquifer.

Conclusions and Recommendations

The information provided in this report serves as the ASD for the DTE Electric RRLF, was prepared in accordance with 40 CFR 257.94(e)(2) of the CCR Rule and demonstrates that the sulfate SSI determined based on the first semiannual detection monitoring event performed in 2020 are not due to a release of CCR leachate into the groundwater. Therefore, based on the information provided in this ASD, DTE Electric will continue detection monitoring as per 40 CFR 257.94 at the RRLF CCR unit.

Certification Statement

I hereby certify that the alternative source demonstration presented within this document for the RRLF CCR unit has been prepared to meet the requirements of Title 40 CFR §257.94(e) 2 of the Federal CCR Rule. This document is accurate and has been prepared in accordance with good engineering practices, including the consideration of applicable industry standards, and with the requirements of Title 40 CFR §257.94(e) 2.

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Attachments

- Table 1 Comparison of Verification Sampling Results to Background Limits
- Chart 1 MW-16-01 Sulfate Time Series Plot
- Figure 1 Site Location Map
- Figure 2 Monitoring Network and Site Plan
- Figure 3 Cross-Section Locator Map
- Figure 4 Generalized Geologic Cross-Section A-A'
- Figure 5 Generalized Geologic Cross-Section B-B'
- Figure 6 Generalized Geologic Cross-Section C-C'
- Attachment A Data Quality Review

Tables

Table 1
 Comparison of Verification Sampling Results to Background Limits – April 2020
 Range Road Landfill – RCRA CCR Monitoring Program
 China Township, Michigan

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Constituent	Unit	Data	PL
Appendix III			
Sulfate	mg/L	46	43

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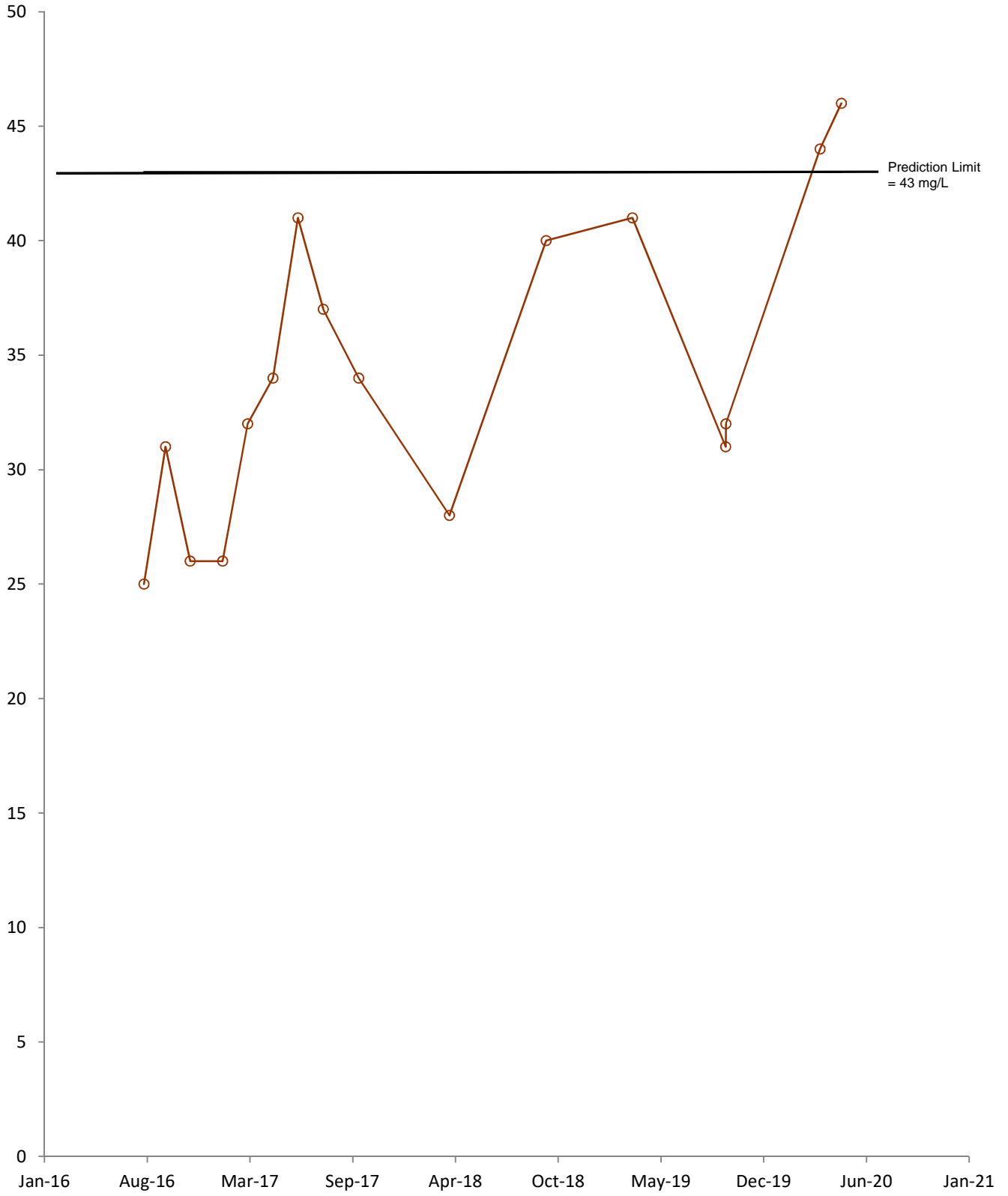
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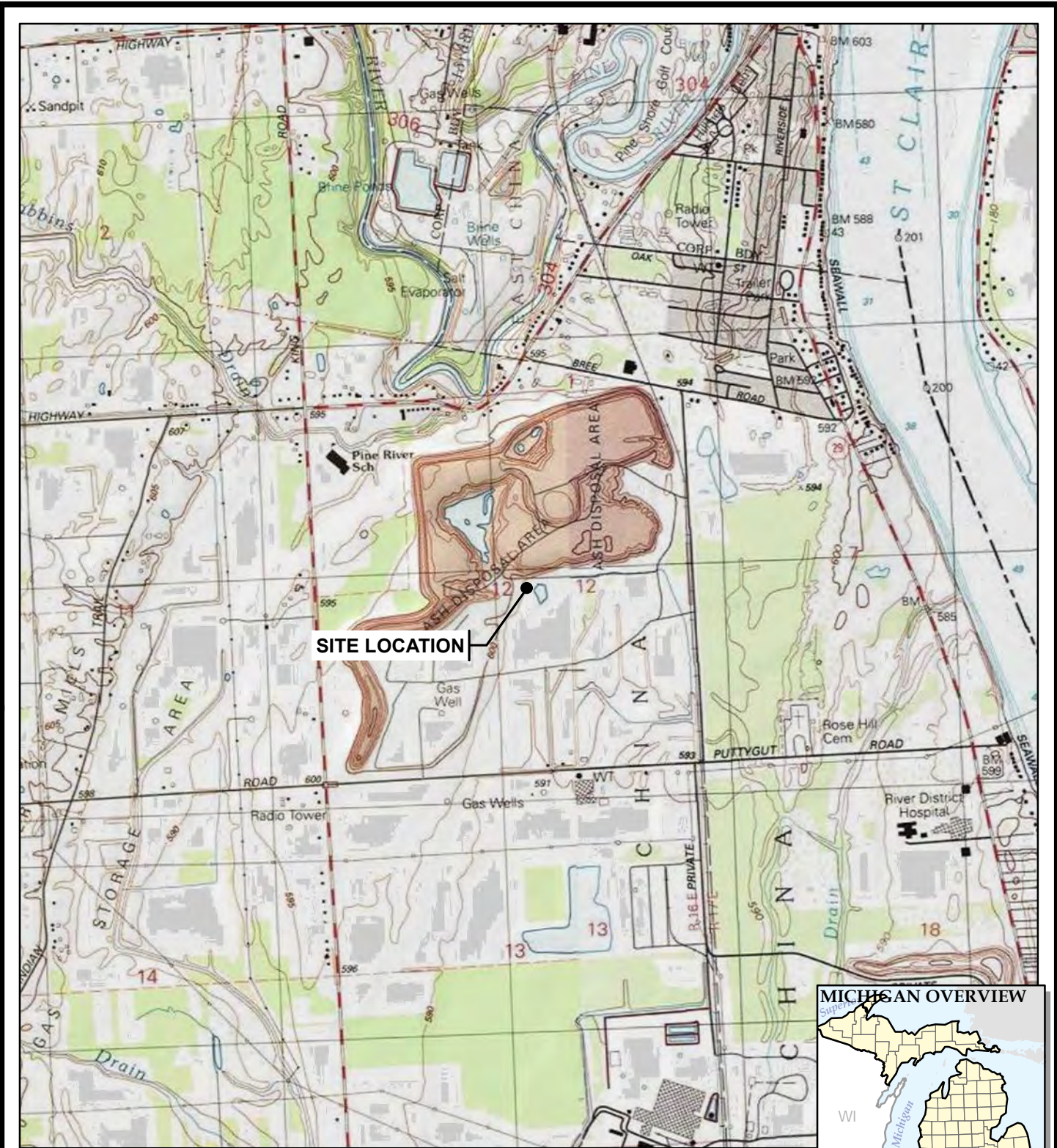
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Charts

Sulfate (mg/L), MW-16-01



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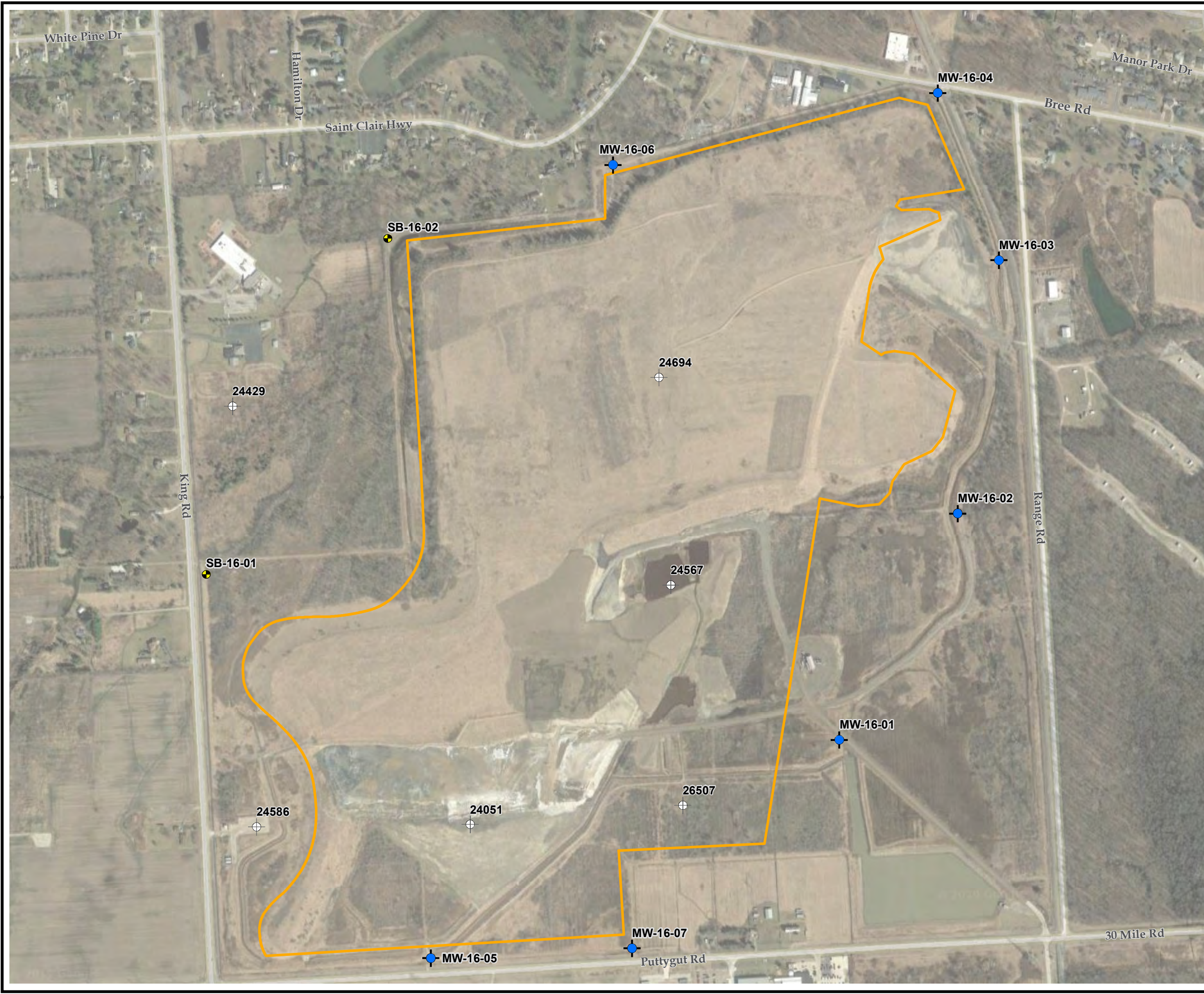
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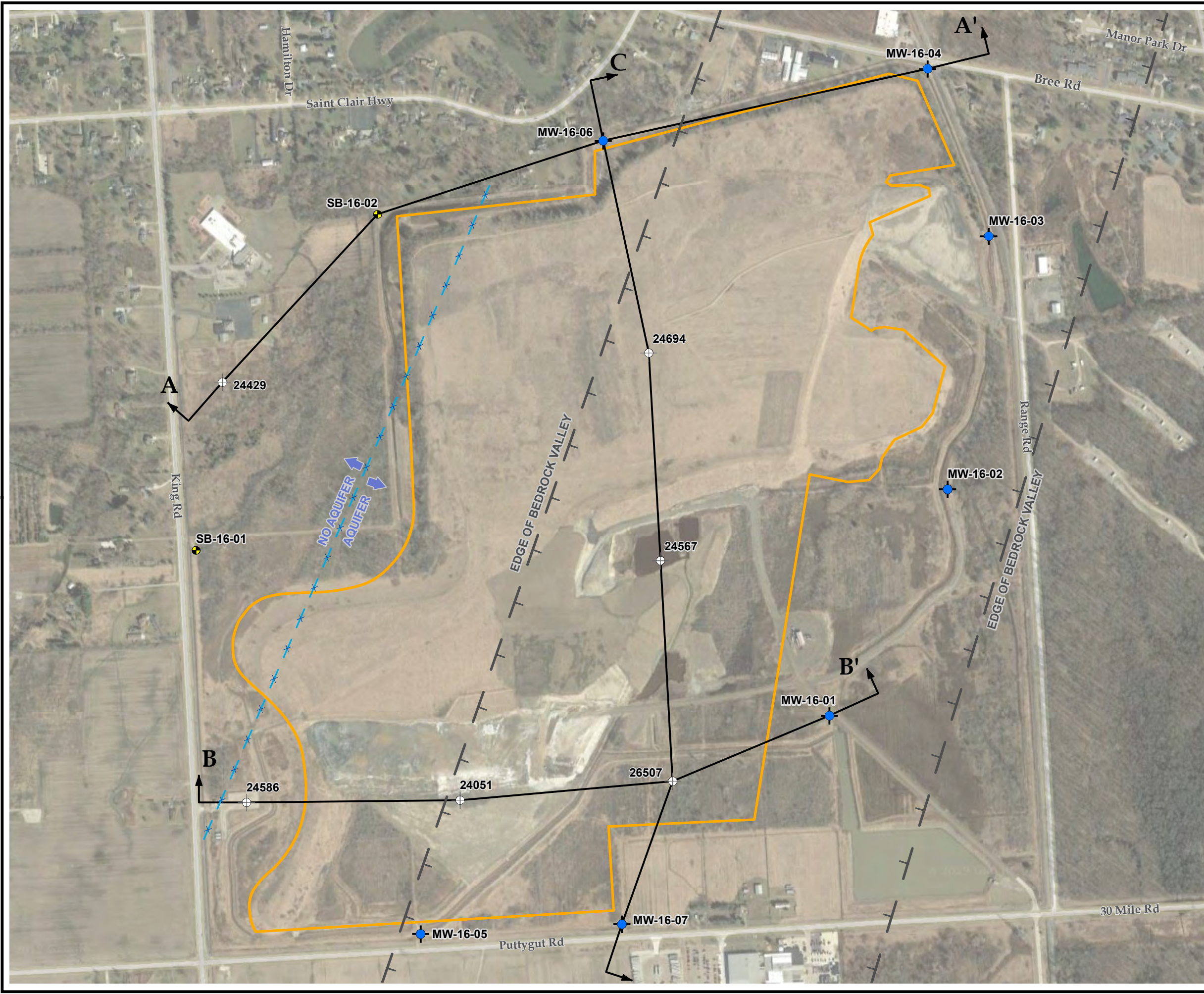
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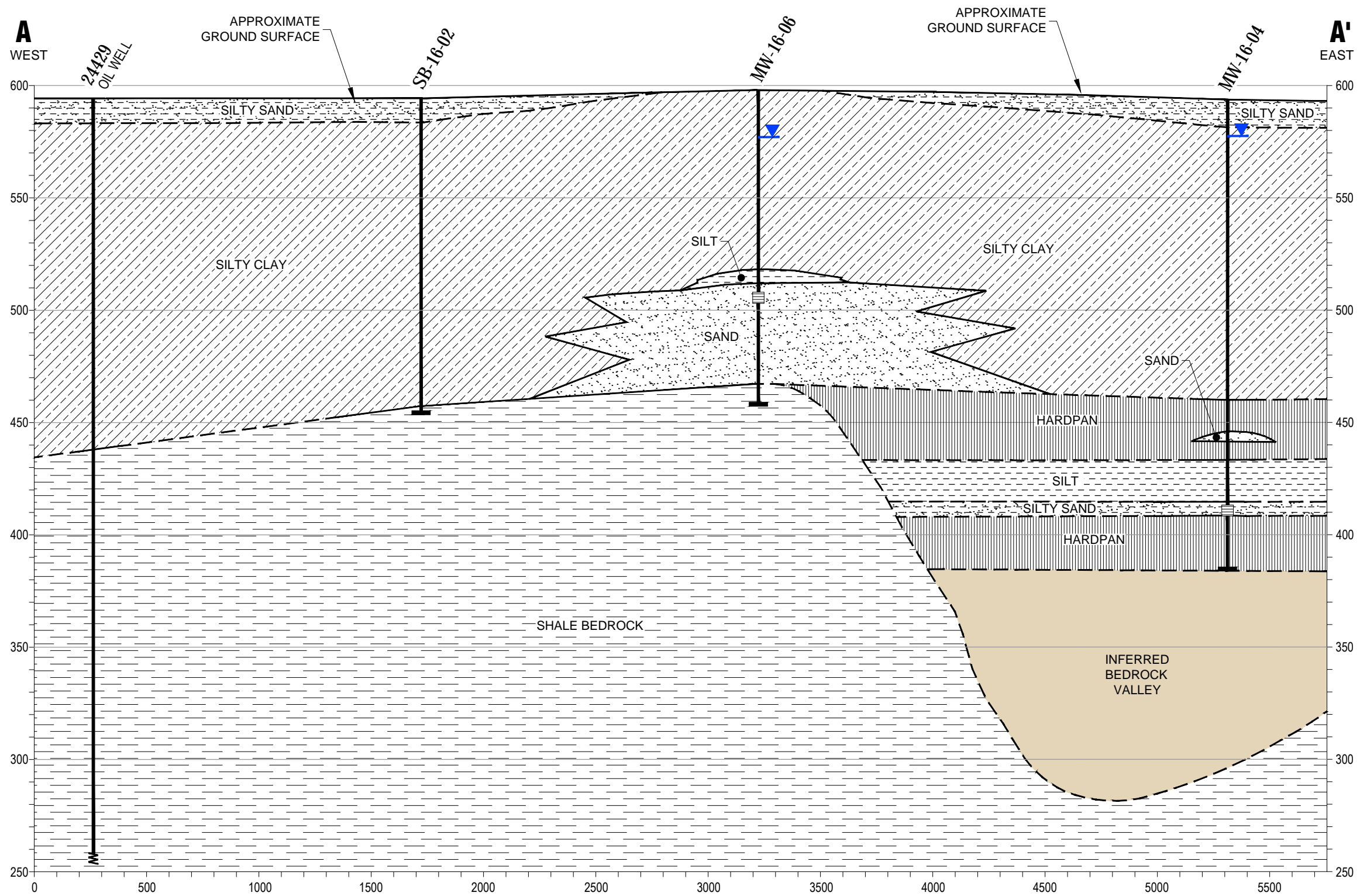
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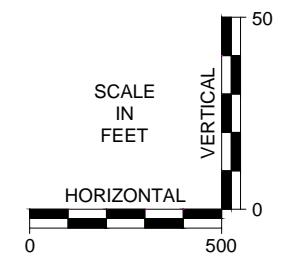


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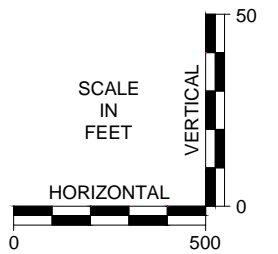
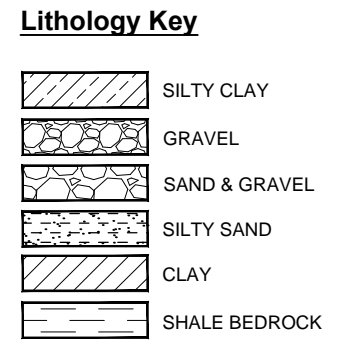
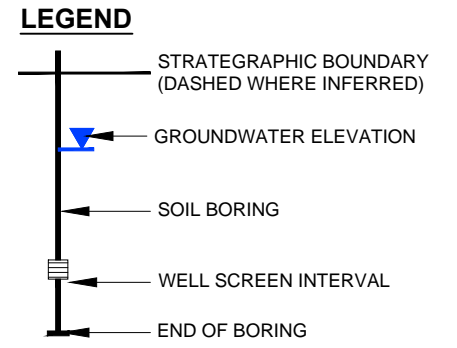
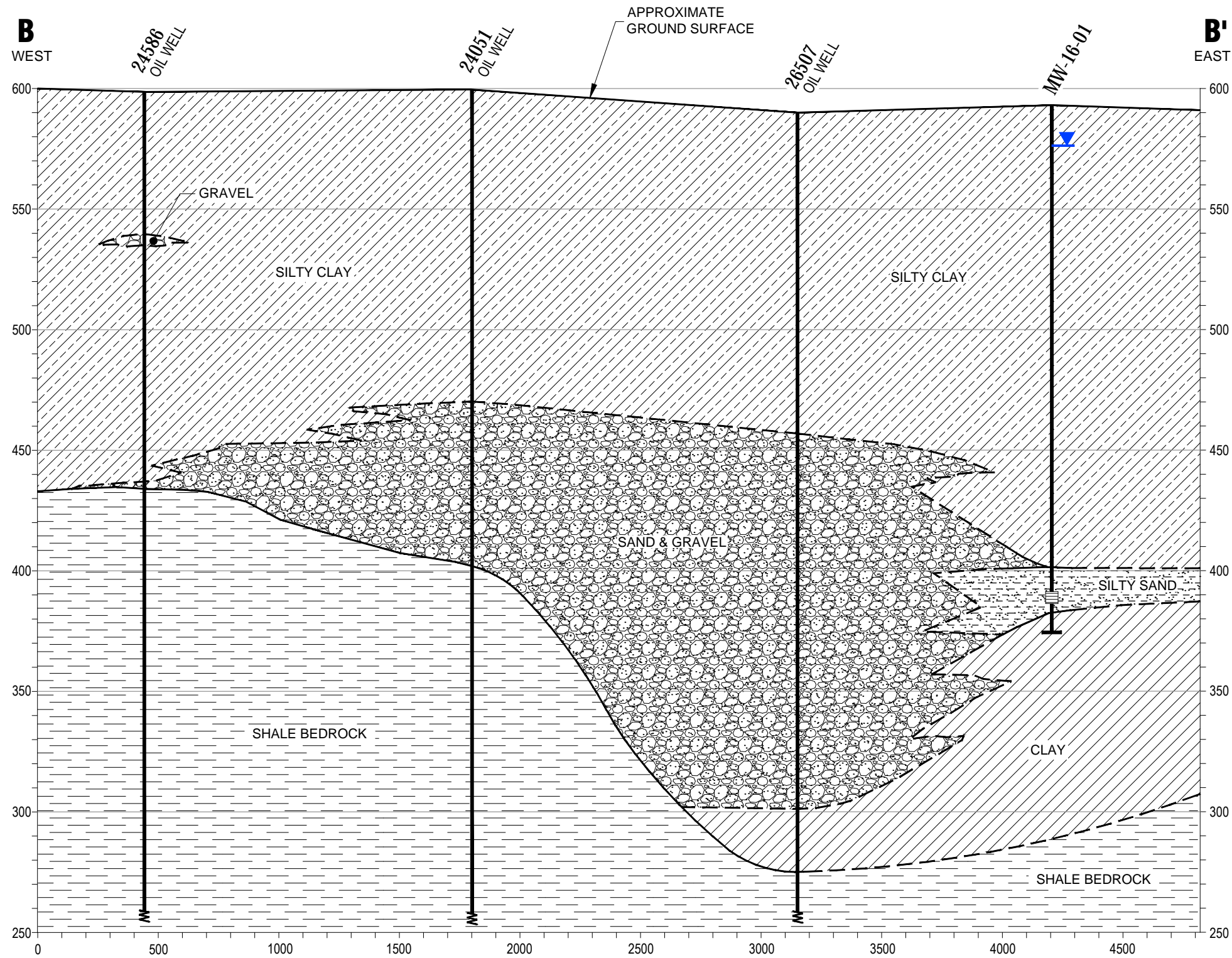
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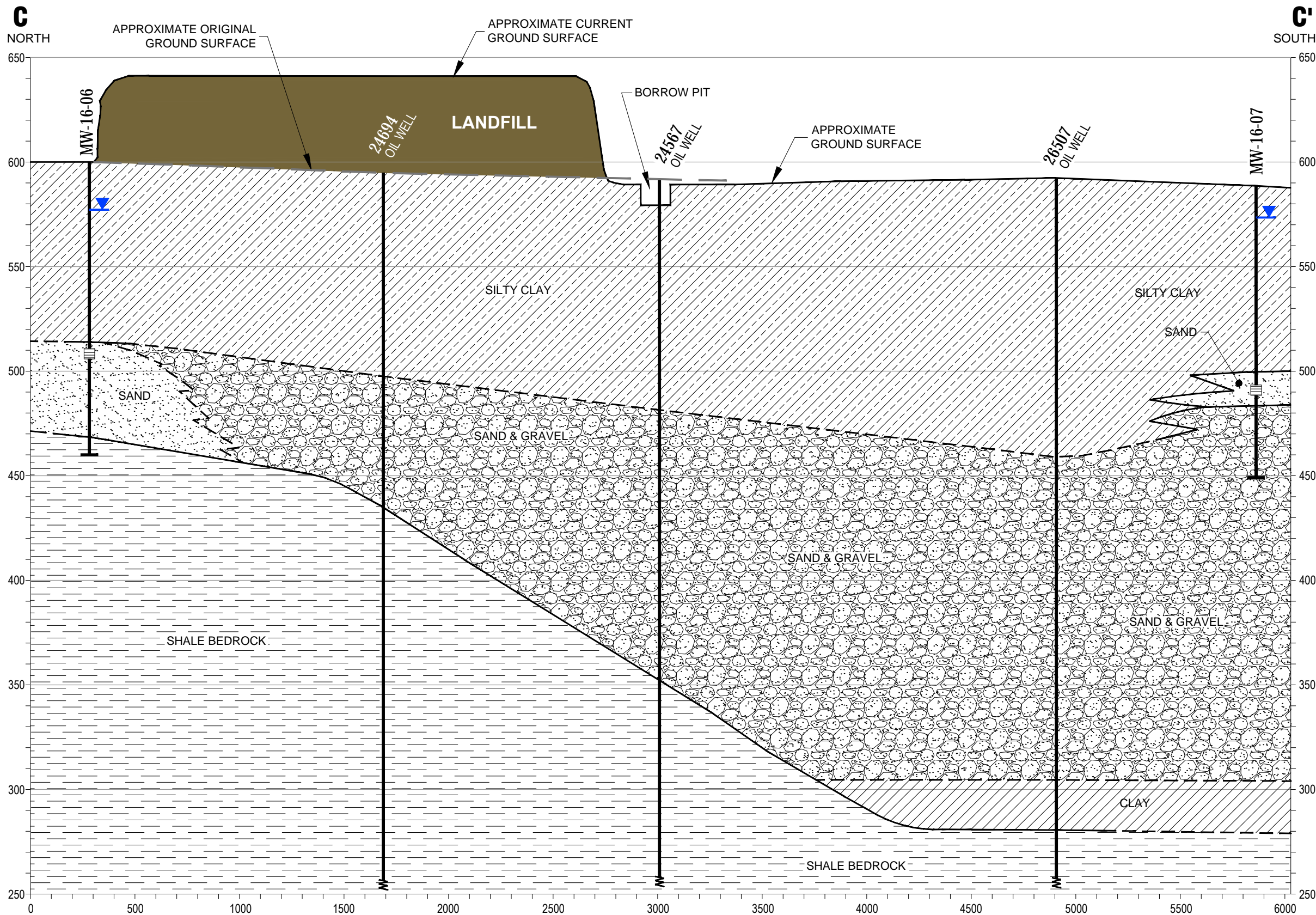
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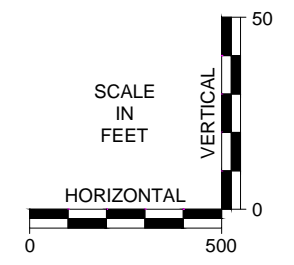


LEGEND

- STRATEGIC BOUNDARY (DASHED WHERE INFERRED)
- ▲ GROUNDWATER ELEVATION
- SOIL BORING
- ▭ WELL SCREEN INTERVAL
- END OF BORING

Lithology Key

- SILTY CLAY
- SAND
- SAND & GRAVEL
- SILTY SAND
- CLAY
- SHALE BEDROCK



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Attachment A Data Quality Review

**Laboratory Data Quality Review
Groundwater Monitoring Event April 2020
DTE Electric Company Range Road Landfill (DTE RRLF)**

A groundwater sample was collected by TRC for the April 2020 sampling event. The sample was analyzed for sulfate by Eurofins-Test America Laboratories, Inc. (Eurofins-TA), located in North Canton, Ohio. The laboratory analytical results are reported in laboratory report 240-129752-1

During the April 2020 sampling event, a groundwater sample was collected from the following well:

- MW-16-01

The sample was analyzed for the following constituent:

Analyte Group	Method
Sulfate	SW846 9056A

TRC reviewed the laboratory data to assess data usability. The following sections summarize the data review procedure and the results of the review.

Data Quality Review Procedure

The analytical data were reviewed using the USEPA National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Superfund Data Review (USEPA, 2017). The following items were included in the evaluation of the data:

- Sample receipt, as noted in the cover page or case narrative;
- Technical holding times for analyses;
- Reporting limits (RLs) compared to project-required RLs;
- Data for method blanks and equipment blanks. Method blanks are used to assess potential contamination arising from laboratory sample preparation and/or analytical procedures. Equipment blanks and field blanks are used to assess potential contamination arising from field procedures;
- Data for laboratory control samples (LCSs). The LCSs are used to assess the accuracy of the analytical method using a clean matrix;
- Data for matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate samples (MS/MSDs), where applicable. The MS/MSDs are used to assess the accuracy and precision of the analytical method using a sample from the dataset;
- Data for laboratory duplicates, where applicable. The laboratory duplicates are used to assess the precision of the analytical method using a sample from the dataset;
- Data for blind field duplicates. Field duplicate samples are used to assess variability introduced by the sampling and analytical processes; and
- Overall usability of the data.

This data usability report addresses the following items:

- Usability of the data if quality control (QC) results suggest potential problems with all or some of the data;
- Actions regarding specific QC criteria exceedances.

Review Summary

The data quality objectives and laboratory completeness goals for the project were met, and the data are usable for their intended purpose. A summary of the data quality review, including non-conformances and issues identified in this evaluation are noted below.

- Appendix III constituent will be utilized for the purposes of a detection monitoring program.
- Data are usable for the purposes of the detection monitoring program.

QA/QC Sample Summary:

- Target analytes were not detected in the method blank sample.
- An equipment blank was not collected with this data set.
- A field blank was not collected with this data set.
- The LCS recovery for sulfate was within laboratory control limits.
- MS and MSD analyses were not performed on a sample from this data set.
- A field duplicate pair was not collected with this data set.
- Laboratory duplicate analyses were not performed on a sample from this data set.

Appendix B

Data Quality Reviews

**Laboratory Data Quality Review
Groundwater Monitoring Event March 2020
DTE Electric Company Range Road Landfill (DTE RRLF)**

Groundwater samples were collected by TRC for the March 2020 sampling event. Samples were analyzed for anions, total boron, total calcium, and total dissolved solids by Euorfins-Test America Laboratories, Inc. (Euorfins-TA), located in North Canton, Ohio. The laboratory analytical results are reported in laboratory reports 240-127894-1 and 240-128048-1.

During the March 2020 sampling event, a groundwater sample was collected from each of the following wells:

- MW-16-01
- MW-16-02
- MW-16-03
- MW-16-04
- MW-16-05
- MW-16-06
- MW-16-07

Each sample was analyzed for the following constituents:

Analyte Group	Method
Anions (Chloride, Fluoride, Sulfate)	SW846 9056A
Total Boron	SW846 3005A/6010B
Total Calcium	SW846 3005A/6020
Total Dissolved Solids	SM 2540C

TRC reviewed the laboratory data to assess data usability. The following sections summarize the data review procedure and the results of the review.

Data Quality Review Procedure

The analytical data were reviewed using the USEPA National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Superfund Data Review (USEPA, 2017). The following items were included in the evaluation of the data:

- Sample receipt, as noted in the cover page or case narrative;
- Technical holding times for analyses;
- Reporting limits (RLs) compared to project-required RLs;
- Data for method blanks and equipment blanks. Method blanks are used to assess potential contamination arising from laboratory sample preparation and/or analytical procedures. Equipment blanks are used to assess potential contamination arising from field procedures;
- Data for laboratory control samples (LCSs). The LCSs are used to assess the accuracy of the analytical method using a clean matrix;
- Data for matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate samples (MS/MSDs), where applicable. The MS/MSDs are used to assess the accuracy and precision of the analytical method using a sample from the dataset;

- Data for laboratory duplicates, where applicable. The laboratory duplicates are used to assess the precision of the analytical method using a sample from the dataset;
- Data for blind field duplicates. Field duplicate samples are used to assess variability introduced by the sampling and analytical processes; and
- Overall usability of the data.

This data usability report addresses the following items:

- Usability of the data if quality control (QC) results suggest potential problems with all or some of the data;
- Actions regarding specific QC criteria exceedances.

Review Summary

The data quality objectives and laboratory completeness goals for the project were met, and the data are usable for their intended purpose. A summary of the data quality review, including non-conformances and issues identified in this evaluation are noted below.

- Appendix III constituents will be utilized for the purposes of a detection monitoring program.
- Data are usable for the purposes of the detection monitoring program.

QA/QC Sample Summary:

- There was one equipment blank submitted with this dataset (EB-01) which was associated with the low hydraulic conductivity wells (MW-16-04 and MW-16-07). Calcium (88,000 µg/L), chloride (43 mg/L), fluoride (0.79 mg/L), sulfate (53 mg/L), and TDS (440 mg/L) were detected in this equipment blank. However, sulfate was not detected in sample MW-16-04; thus, there was no impact on data usability. The positive results for calcium, chloride, fluoride, and TDS in samples MW-16-04 and MW-16-07, and sulfate in sample MW-16-07 were less than five times the blank concentration and are potentially biased high, as summarized in the attached table.
- Target analytes were not detected in the method blanks.
- LCS recoveries for all target analytes were within laboratory control limits.
- MS/MSD analyses were not performed for anions, boron, and calcium in this data set. Per the project QAPP, MS/MSD analyses are required for anions, boron, and calcium at a frequency of 1 per 20 samples.
- Laboratory duplicate analyses were not performed for TDS. Per the project QAPP, laboratory duplicate analyses are required for TDS at a frequency of 1 per 20 samples.
- DUP-01 corresponds with MW-16-02; relative percent differences (RPDs) between the parent and duplicate sample were within the QC limits.
- The nondetect reporting limits (RLs) for sulfate in samples MW-16-03 (10 mg/L) and MW-16-04 (5 mg/L) were above the project-specified RL (1 mg/L) due to dilutions required due to the elevated concentration of chloride in these samples. The project-specified RL was not met for sulfate in these two samples.

**Laboratory Data Quality Review
Groundwater Monitoring Event April 2020
DTE Electric Company Range Road Landfill (DTE RRLF)**

A groundwater sample was collected by TRC for the April 2020 sampling event. The sample was analyzed for sulfate by Eurofins-Test America Laboratories, Inc. (Eurofins-TA), located in North Canton, Ohio. The laboratory analytical results are reported in laboratory report 240-129752-1

During the April 2020 sampling event, a groundwater sample was collected from the following well:

- MW-16-01_20200430

The sample was analyzed for the following constituent:

Analyte Group	Method
Sulfate	SW846 9056A

TRC reviewed the laboratory data to assess data usability. The following sections summarize the data review procedure and the results of the review.

Data Quality Review Procedure

The analytical data were reviewed using the USEPA National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Superfund Data Review (USEPA, 2017). The following items were included in the evaluation of the data:

- Sample receipt, as noted in the cover page or case narrative;
- Technical holding times for analyses;
- Reporting limits (RLs) compared to project-required RLs;
- Data for method blanks and equipment blanks. Method blanks are used to assess potential contamination arising from laboratory sample preparation and/or analytical procedures. Equipment blanks and field blanks are used to assess potential contamination arising from field procedures;
- Data for laboratory control samples (LCSs). The LCSs are used to assess the accuracy of the analytical method using a clean matrix;
- Data for matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate samples (MS/MSDs), where applicable. The MS/MSDs are used to assess the accuracy and precision of the analytical method using a sample from the dataset;
- Data for laboratory duplicates, where applicable. The laboratory duplicates are used to assess the precision of the analytical method using a sample from the dataset;
- Data for blind field duplicates. Field duplicate samples are used to assess variability introduced by the sampling and analytical processes; and
- Overall usability of the data.

This data usability report addresses the following items:

- Usability of the data if quality control (QC) results suggest potential problems with all or some of the data;
- Actions regarding specific QC criteria exceedances.

Review Summary

The data quality objectives and laboratory completeness goals for the project were met, and the data are usable for their intended purpose. A summary of the data quality review, including non-conformances and issues identified in this evaluation are noted below.

- Appendix III constituent will be utilized for the purposes of a detection monitoring program.
- Data are usable for the purposes of the detection monitoring program.

QA/QC Sample Summary:

- Target analytes were not detected in the method blank sample.
- An equipment blank was not collected with this data set.
- A field blank was not collected with this data set.
- The LCS recovery for sulfate was within laboratory control limits.
- MS and MSD analyses were not performed on a sample from this data set.
- A field duplicate pair was not collected with this data set.
- Laboratory duplicate analyses were not performed on a sample from this data set.

**Laboratory Data Quality Review
Groundwater Monitoring Event October 2020
DTE Electric Company Range Road Landfill (DTE RRLF)**

Groundwater samples were collected by TRC for the October 2020 sampling event. Samples were analyzed for anions, total recoverable boron, total recoverable calcium iron, and total dissolved solids by Eurofins-Test America Laboratories, Inc. (Eurofins-TA), located in North Canton, Ohio. The laboratory analytical results are reported in laboratory report 240-138950-1.

During the October 2020 sampling event, a groundwater sample was collected from each of the following wells:

- MW-16-01
- MW-16-02
- MW-16-03
- MW-16-04
- MW-16-05
- MW-16-06
- MW-16-07

Each sample was analyzed for the following constituents:

Analyte Group	Method
Anions (Chloride, Fluoride, Sulfate)	SW846 9056A
Total Recoverable Boron	SW846 3005A/6010B
Total Recoverable Calcium and Iron	SW846 3005A/6020
Total Dissolved Solids	SM 2540C

TRC reviewed the laboratory data to assess data usability. The following sections summarize the data review procedure and the results of the review.

Data Quality Review Procedure

The analytical data were reviewed using the USEPA National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Superfund Data Review (USEPA, 2017). The following items were included in the evaluation of the data:

- Sample receipt, as noted in the cover page or case narrative;
- Technical holding times for analyses;
- Reporting limits (RLs) compared to project-required RLs;
- Data for method blanks and equipment blanks. Method blanks are used to assess potential contamination arising from laboratory sample preparation and/or analytical procedures. Equipment blanks are used to assess potential contamination arising from field procedures;
- Data for laboratory control samples (LCSs). The LCSs are used to assess the accuracy of the analytical method using a clean matrix;
- Data for matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate samples (MS/MSDs), where applicable. The MS/MSDs are used to assess the accuracy and precision of the analytical method using a sample from the dataset;

- Data for laboratory duplicates, where applicable. The laboratory duplicates are used to assess the precision of the analytical method using a sample from the dataset;
- Data for blind field duplicates. Field duplicate samples are used to assess variability introduced by the sampling and analytical processes; and
- Overall usability of the data.

This data usability report addresses the following items:

- Usability of the data if quality control (QC) results suggest potential problems with all or some of the data;
- Actions regarding specific QC criteria exceedances.

Review Summary

The data quality objectives and laboratory completeness goals for the project were met, and the data are usable for their intended purpose. A summary of the data quality review, including non-conformances and issues identified in this evaluation are noted below.

- Appendix III constituents and iron will be utilized for the purposes of a detection monitoring program.
- Data are usable for the purposes of the detection monitoring program.

QA/QC Sample Summary:

- Target analytes were not detected in the method blanks.
- LCS recoveries for all target analytes were within laboratory control limits.
- MS/MSD analyses were performed on sample MW-16-01_20201020 for total recoverable calcium and iron, sample MW-16-05_20201020 for total recoverable boron, and sample EB-01_20201019 for anions. The percent recoveries (%Rs) and relative percent differences (RPDs) for the MS/MSD analyses met the method acceptance criteria.
- Target analytes were not detected in the equipment blank (EB-01_20201019) with the following exceptions:
 - Total recoverable calcium was detected at 1,500 ug/L; no data are affected as total recoverable calcium was detected at >10x the concentration detected in the equipment blank in all groundwater samples.
 - Total recoverable iron was detected at 170 ug/L; the presence of total recoverable iron in the equipment blank indicates a possible false positive result for iron for groundwater samples, as summarized in the attached table, Attachment A.
 - TDS was detected at 42 mg/L; no data are affected as TDS was detected at >10x the concentration detected in the equipment blank in all groundwater samples.
- Dup-01 corresponds with MW-16-06_20201020; RPDs between the parent and duplicate sample were within the QC limits.
- Total recoverable lithium and manganese were reported for samples MW-16-05-20201019 and EB-01_20201019 but were not requested on the chain-of-custody.