

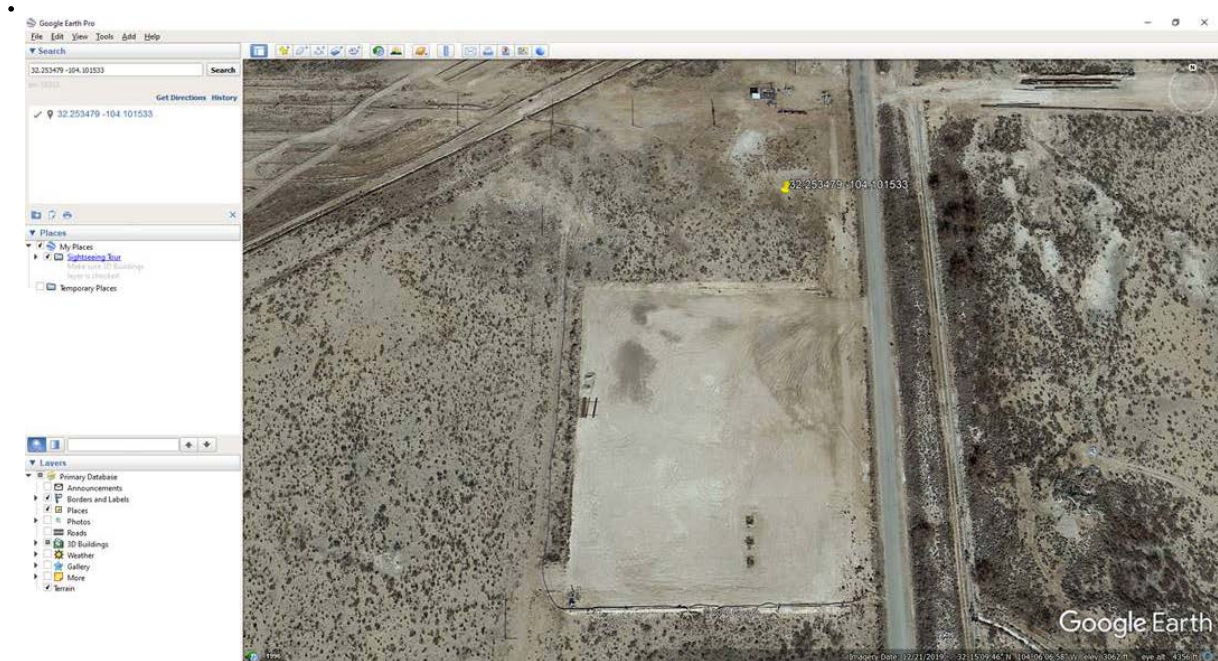
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John,

We have received your closure report and final C-141 for **Incident #NRM2012930770 Black River Booster Station Riser #5**, thank you. This closure is denied.

- The background sample BG20-01 looks to have been taken in a spot void of vegetation and within close proximity to flowlines. The release area has activity in most all directions, which makes it difficult to get a true background sample from the immediate area.
- The OCD proposes taking a back ground sample west of the pad shown in the below picture. Approximately 100 yards west of where the tubing was sitting on the edge of the pad.



- Obtain background samples at similar depth intervals and compare results to sidewall/floor samples in current report.
- Remediation of the Site will need to be completed through excavation of all remaining impacted soil containing chloride concentrations above the observed background concentrations.
- Please, keep us informed of the results and let us know if you have any questions.

Regards,

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