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March 15, 2021

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**RE: DISAPPROVAL
RESPONSE TO DISAPPROVAL INVESTIGATION REPORT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
UNITS (SWMU) NO. 4 OLD BURN PIT AND NO. 5 LANDFILL AREAS
WESTERN REFINING SOUTHWEST INC., GALLUP REFINERY
EPA ID # NMD000333211
HWB-WRG-17-006**

Dear Mr. Moore:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) has reviewed the *Response to Disapproval Investigation Report Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU) No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas (Response)*, received on October 22, 2018, submitted on behalf of Marathon Petroleum Company dba Western Refining Southwest Inc., Gallup Refinery (the Permittee). NMED hereby issues this Disapproval with the following comments.

Comment 1

The Permittee only submitted the response to Comments 4 and 7 of the NMED's June 7, 2018 *Disapproval*. There are total of eight comments to be addressed in the *Disapproval* and the response to other comments was not included in this submittal. Although the Response

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asserted that the revised Report would be submitted by December 14, 2018, the required submittal was not received. The June 7, 2018 *Disapproval* requires two hard copies, an electronic and a red-line strikeout (RLSO) version of the revised Report. The Permittee must provide the response to all NMED's comments of the June 7, 2018 *Disapproval*, two hard copies and an electronic and a RLSO version of the revised Report no later than **June 30, 2021**.

Comment 2

The response to NMED's *Disapproval* Comment 4 states, "[t]here is no storage, handling, processing or refining of petroleum hydrocarbons in the subject area." In a response letter, explain whether the area in the vicinity of SWMUs 4 and 5 was potentially affected by recent releases (e.g., French Drain area). If recent releases potentially affected the area, propose to submit a work plan to recollect soil samples in SWMUs 4 and 5.

The Permittee must address all comments in this letter and submit a response letter no later than **July 7, 2021**. In addition, a separate response letter that addresses all comments in the June 7, 2018 *Disapproval* and two hard copies and an electronic and a RLSO version of the revised Report must be submitted no later than **June 30, 2021**, as directed by Comment 1.

If you have questions regarding this Disapproval, please contact Michiya Suzuki of my staff at 505-476-6046.

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**RE: Response to Disapproval
Investigation Report Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU)
No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas
Marathon Petroleum Company LP, Gallup Refinery
(dba Western Refining Southwest LLC)
EPA ID# NMD000333211
HWB-WRG-17-006**

Dear Mr. Pierard:

Marathon Petroleum Company LP (dba Western Refining Southwest LLC) Gallup Refinery (MPC) is submitting this *Response to Comments Disapproval, Investigation Report Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU) No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas*. New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) provided disapproval on June 7, 2018. A response to disapproval regarding Comments 4 and 7 was submitted to NMED on October 19, 2018. NMED resubmitted the *Disapproval* on March 15, 2021 and requested a response to the original June 7, 2018 *Disapproval* comments that were not addressed in the October 19, 2018 submittal. A timeline of the reports and investigations for the burn pits and landfill areas is provided below.

- Investigation Work Plan, submitted June 24, 2014
- Disapproval, received August 17, 2015
- Response to Disapproval, submitted November 19, 2015
- Approval with Modifications, submitted April 18, 2016
- Investigation Report, submitted March 13, 2017
- Disapproval, received June 7, 2018
- Response to Disapproval, submitted October 19, 2018
- Disapproval, received March 15, 2021

As requested in the March 13, 2021 *Disapproval*, a response to comments and redline/strikeout

text are provided in Attachments A and B, respectively. In addition, two hard copies and one electronic copy of the revised 2017 Investigation Report are enclosed. MPC would like to note that the NMED screening level for arsenic has changed since the report was initially prepared. The current arsenic screening level is 5.83 milligrams per kilogram, which is higher than any of the soil results reported at SWMU 5. No text changes have been implemented.

If there are any questions, please call Mr. John Moore at (915) 775-7864.

Certification

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

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Attachment A: Response to Comments

New Mexico Environment Department to Marathon Petroleum Company Comment Letter “Response to Disapproval, SWMU No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas Investigation Report” (March 15, 2021)

New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Comment	Marathon Petroleum Company (MPC) Response
Comment 1:	Response 1:
<p>In Section 2.1 (Old Burn Pit (SWMU No. 4)), the Permittee states, “[a] Visual Site Inspection (VSI) was conducted on November 19 and 20, 1986 as part of the RCRA Facility Assessment. During this inspection, ‘An old metal box uphill from the pit’ was described as being used to feed oil through a metal pipe to the burn pit. There is no subsequent mention of the steel box or pipe in the <i>SWMU Site-Specific Facility Investigation Workplan</i>, which provided a detailed discussion of site features and sampling locations (Applied Earth Sciences, Inc., 1990). Apparently, the metal box and pipe were removed after the VSI was conducted in 1986 and sometime before preparation of the <i>SWMU Site-Specific Facility Investigation Workplan</i> in 1990.” The 1990 SWMU Site-Specific Facility Investigation Work Plan does not provide a detailed discussion of site features. While it is apparent that the metal box and pipe are no longer present, their removal cannot be verified using historic documents. No revision is necessary.</p>	<p>This comment is acknowledged.</p>
Comment 2:	Response 2:
<p>In Section 7.1 (Conclusions), regarding the Burn Pit, the Permittee states that, “[g]roundwater was not encountered and there was no evidence of historical impacts to groundwater beneath the Old Burn Pit.” In the same section, the conclusion for the Landfill Areas, states, “[g]roundwater was not encountered at SWMU 5-2. Based on the borings completed per the Investigation Work Plan, there is no evidence of any threats to groundwater and the soil cap is preventing any potential direct contact exposures to buried waste materials.” There are several issues regarding these statements:</p> <p>1. The Permittee notes in Section 4.2.2 (Hydrogeology) that, “[s]hallow groundwater may be present in the general area of the two SWMUS, but its occurrence is sporadic.” Which acknowledges the potential presence of intermittent groundwater situation.</p>	<p>1. This comment is acknowledged.</p> <p>2. In response to NMED’s comment regarding site-specific groundwater and the presence of intermittent saturation, Section 4.2.2 (Hydrogeology) pages 4-2 and 4-3 have been revised to state:</p> <p>“None of the three soil borings completed at SWMUs No. 4 and No. 5 encountered groundwater. Soil boring SWMU 4-1 encountered bedrock (mudstone/claystone) at a depth of 20 feet with a dry sandy clay on top of the bedrock. (Figure 9). Damp soil was observed in gravelly clay at an approximate depth of 17 feet. Soil Boring SWMU 5-1 was drilled to a depth of 20 feet pursuant to the Investigation Work Plan and was terminated in a dry sandy clay. As indicated on Figure 9, the depth to bedrock near SWMU 5-1 may be at depths of 35 to 40 feet. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 14 feet in SWMU 5-2, with a dry stiff clay overlying the bedrock surface. Damp soil was observed at</p>

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<p>2. Figure 2 (SWMUs No. 4 & No. 5 Location Map) depicts the locations of the SWMUs, soil borings, a monitoring well (OW-56), a temporary monitoring well (NDD-2), and a cross-section A-A'. The Permittee did not include a boring log or well construction diagram for monitoring well OW-56 in the Report. However, Figure 9 (Cross Section A-A') includes a legend depicting monitoring well OW-56 that shows a general well diagram and lithologic information is included within the cross-section. The cross-section does not indicate saturation, but the lithologic information included for well OW-56 describes an interval from 6906 to 6904 ft msl as “clay, gravelly, sandy, moist”. Additionally, “damp” intervals were encountered in borings SWMU 5-2 and boring SWMU 4-1 at similar intervals to the moist interval in well OW-56. The Permittee must discuss site-specific groundwater in Section 4.2 (Subsurface Conditions) and discuss the presence of intermittent saturation. As the Permittee is aware, tight clays often prevent timely recharge within borings and wells, so the presence of groundwater may not be immediately observed.</p> <p>3. Other than well OW-56 and NDD-2, the closest monitoring wells are OW-12 to the south and OW-13 to the east (not depicted on the figures in the Report). These wells monitor the Sonsela aquifer with depths to water at 47.23 ft bgs and approximately 21.5 ft bgs, respectively. There may be water present within the Chinle/Alluvium interface, as recorded in other areas of the refinery, but the boring logs for OW-12 and OW-13 are not detailed enough to determine if saturated intervals were encountered in these wells. Also, because of the difference in reporting the elevation of the subsurface data (ft msl in the Report versus feet bgs on the OW-12 and OW-13 well logs), it is difficult to determine whether the saturated intervals in the OW-12 and OW-13 wells can be correlated to the moist and damp intervals in the monitoring well and borings installed as part of the investigation.</p>	<p>approximately 12 feet in a clayey gravel layer. The damp soil noted in soil borings SWMU 4-1 and SWMU 5-2 are at a depth similar to the water level depth measured in well OW-56. Well OW-56 is screened in a sandy, gravelly clay. Moisture observed in the gravelly clay/clayey gravel in soil borings SWMU 4-1 and SWMU 5-2 may represent shallow groundwater. Shallow groundwater may be present in the general area of the two SWMUs, but its occurrence is sporadic.</p> <p>The diverse properties and complex, irregular stratigraphy of the Quaternary alluvium across the refinery cause a wide range of hydraulic conductivity ranging from less than 10^{-2} cm/sec for gravelly sands immediately overlying the Painted Desert Member to 10^{-8} cm/sec in the clay soils located near the surface (Western Refining, 2009). Permeability tests performed on the Quaternary alluvium beneath the nearby Land Treatment Unit (LTU) indicated an average permeability of $1.9\text{E-}05$ cm/sec (Appendix B). Permeability tests performed on soils in the area of the firewater pond indicated an average permeability of $1.1\text{E-}07$ cm/sec (Appendix B). Because damp soil was observed in soil borings SWMU 4-1 and SWMU 5-2, it may be representative of shallow groundwater in the area. However, due to the tight clays the presence of groundwater may not be observed in the open boreholes in a timely manner. Neither of these soil borings was completed as a temporary well so the presence of groundwater cannot be confirmed.”</p> <p>3. This comment is acknowledged.</p> <p>4. Figure 2 has been revised to show the locations of OW-12 and OW-13 and Figure 9 presents a revised cross section; these figures are provided in the revised Investigation Report. The boring log for OW-56 has been included in Appendix D of the revised Investigation Report. In response to NMED’s comment regarding site-specific data, Section 4.2.2 (Hydrogeology) page 4-4 has been revised to state:</p> <p>“Sections 2.1 and 2.2 present the historical data collected for SWMU No. 4 and SWMU No. 5, respectively. In SWMU No. 4, two</p>
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<p>[4.] Based on this information, the Permittee cannot conclusively state there were no historic impacts to the groundwater. Additionally, prior to construction of the landfill covers in the late 1990s, both SWMUs were open pits. While the landfill covers likely inhibited leachate migration since the late 1990s, prior to their construction there was a potential for contaminants to migrate through the subsurface and encounter the intermittent groundwater which is a contaminant migration pathway as well as leach into undisturbed soils beneath the pits. This is the reason that NMED required further investigation. Revise Section 4.2 (Subsurface Conditions) to discuss site-specific data. Provide a figure depicting the locations of wells OW-12 and OW-13 and add the wells to the cross section, if appropriate. Also provide the boring logs and well construction diagram for well OW-56 in the revised Report.</p>	<p>constituents (ethylbenzene and naphthalene) were detected at concentrations above the soil screening levels developed to protect groundwater but less than the residential soil screening level for direct contact. The detections were observed in samples collected between 3 ft bgs and 4.5 ft bgs; samples collected at 6 ft bgs and 10 ft bgs were below detection limits. The samples depths are approximately 10 ft above the observed damp gravelly clay layer.</p> <p>In SWMU No. 5, arsenic was detected at concentrations above the soil screening levels developed to protect groundwater and was also reported at concentrations above the residential soil screening level for direct contact. The detections occurred between 0 ft bgs and 20 ft bgs. These samples depths are approximately 15 ft above the observed clayey gravel layer. No organic constituents were above any screening standards.</p> <p>Information regarding the current investigation is presented in Section 4.3.”</p> <p>MPC would like to note that the NMED screening level for arsenic has changed since the report was initially prepared. The current arsenic screening level is 5.83 milligrams per kilogram, which is higher than any of the soil results reported at SWMU 5. No text changes have been implemented regarding the revised screening level.</p>
<p>Comment 3:</p>	<p>Response 3:</p>
<p>Figure 9 (Cross Section A-A’) includes data from soil boring NDD-2, boring SMWU 5-2, boring SWMU 5-1, well OW-56, and boring SWMU 4-1. There are several issues regarding the cross-section and conclusions. The boring logs for several of the borings and well OW-56 were not included with the Report. However, the Permittee’s <i>Response to Disapproval No Further Action Report and Supplemental Information</i> (Response), dated June 15, 2015, includes information regarding boring NDD-2 which was drilled as part of the investigation for the North Drainage Ditch. The boring log indicated that claystone was encountered at approximately 4 feet bgs. Additionally, a soil boring named NDD-3 was drilled a short</p>	<p>The boring logs for NDD-2, NDD-3, and OW-56 have been included in Appendix D of the revised Investigation Report. A cross section revised to include the borings requested by NMED has also been included as Figure 9 in the revised Investigation Report. The approximate locations of the SWMU 4 and SWMU 5 are shown on Figure 9. The depth of SWMU 4 was approximately 10 to 12 ft bgs. The depths of SWMU 5 landfills are unknown.</p>

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<p>distance north of the Burn Pit and east of boring NDD-2 as well. The description of NDD-3 in the Response states:</p> <p>“[i]n this boring, claystone was encountered at 12 feet below the land surface. Saturated clayey, gravelly, sand was observed overlying (10’-12’) the claystone and a temporary well completion was installed to facilitate collection of a groundwater sample. The analysis of the water sample indicates the presence of low concentrations of gasoline and diesel range organics, benzene, 1,2-dichloroethane, methyl tert butyl ether, isopropylbenzene, and sec-butylbenzene. Methyl tert butyl ether and 1,2-dichloroethane were detected at concentrations above screening levels.”</p> <p>Saturation was observed at approximately 12 feet below ground level in a clayey gravelly sand directly above the claystone which correlates to historic boring logs for the Landfill Areas that indicate wet/water/water bearing zones between 6.5 and 17 feet below the ground surface. Historic boring logs for the Burn Pit indicate that no saturated interval was encountered during investigation. The boring logs demonstrate that intermittent groundwater within the Chinle/Alluvium interface is present. The Report did not provide adequate information: provide the boring logs for NDD-2, NDD-3, and OW-56 in the revised Report. Provide a cross-section that includes more information and borings SWMU 4-1, boring NDD-3, well OW-56, boring SWMU 5-2, and boring NDD-2. Evaluate the appropriateness of also including boring SWMU 5-1. Additionally, please mark the locations and depths of the landfills and burn pit on the cross-section.</p>	
Comment 4:	Response 4:
<p>In Section 4.3.1 (Soil Investigation), in the SWMU 5-1 boring discussion on page 4-5, the Permittee states, “0 feet bgl - 2 feet bgl – PID reading of 28.6 ppm – This sample was collected at the surface from fill material. The sediment exhibited a petroleum hydrocarbon odor. There was no visual evidence of impacted soils.” In the revised Report, discuss uses of the area that may explain the</p>	<p>This comment was addressed in the October 19, 2018 <i>Response to Disapproval</i>.</p>

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<p>presence of petroleum odors on the surface soils. If the area is or has been used for facility operations, the landfill cover may be contaminated. If the facility used or is using the SWMU, then the Permittee must collect additional surface samples to demonstrate whether facility activities contaminated the landfill cover. Submit a work plan to propose to collect surface samples (see also Comment 7).</p>	
<p>Comment 5:</p>	<p>Response 5:</p>
<p>In the Executive Summary, page E-iii, the Permittee states, “[b]ased on a slightly elevated reading with a photo ionization detector (PID), a soil sample was collected from the land surface (0-2’) where the highest arsenic concentration of 5.3 mg/kg was detected. This concentration exceeds the residential direct contact screening level and should be further evaluated upon completion of a site-specific evaluation of background concentrations.” As NMED noted in its letter <i>Disapproval No Further Action Report and Supplemental Information</i> for SWMU 3, SWMU 4, SWMU 5, SWMU 7, SWMU 9, SWMU 10, and SWMU 13 and dated April 13, 2015:</p> <p>“The arsenic levels reported for some of the SWMUs in the analytical reports in the Phase I and Phase III Investigation Reports (specifically, samples from SWMU 10, SWMU 5 with results ranging from 4.3 mg/kg to 27.9 mg/kg) for the soil investigations are higher than the current residential soil screening level (4.25 mg/kg). According to the USGS, McKinley County arsenic levels generally range from 5.6 to 11 ppm. Because the concentrations of arsenic are significantly higher than the maximum concentration of the background range (11 ppm), the Permittee must conduct a soil background study to account for the higher levels of arsenic in order to reach corrective action complete status.”</p> <p>Elevated arsenic levels must be addressed, because elevated arsenic levels are indicative of petroleum contamination and its degradation in the environment. The Permittee must submit a soil background</p>	<p>MPC will use the McKinley County arsenic levels in future reports until the soil background study has been completed and approved by NMED. The soil background work plan was approved by NMED on March 30, 2021. The report summarizing the investigation and presenting site-specific background values will be submitted to NMED by December 31, 2022.</p>

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study work plan for NMED’s review, if the Permittee wants to make a comparison to background concentrations for arsenic.	
Comment 6:	Response 6:
<p>From the boring logs it does not appear that the Permittee encountered landfill debris. The SWMU 5-1 boring log indicates “FILL” from the surface to 7 feet below groundwater surface; however, it is not clear if this is the landfill cover or landfill material (there is no indication on the boring logs that debris was encountered). Historic boring logs indicate that the presence of metal, wood, rubber, general debris, and rusty material. The Permittee’s boring location and samples do not appear to be representative of site conditions. No revision to the Report is required.</p>	<p>This comment is acknowledged.</p>
Comment 7:	Response 7:
<p>In Section 7.1 (Conclusions), the Permittee conducted a cumulative risk evaluation. The Permittee did not collect a sufficient number of samples to properly conduct a cumulative risk evaluation. The Permittee also used historical data in the calculation, which is not appropriate. Additionally, some of the historic data is questionable based on prior NMED review and comments. The Permittee states,</p> <p>“[t]he maximum concentration for metals includes both the historical analyses and recently collected data. These calculations are separated for carcinogenic risk is 1.08×10^{-5} assuming residential land use and 2.14×10^{-6} for non-residential land use 0.622. At the Landfill Areas, the cumulative carcinogenic risk is 8.25×10^{-5} assuming residential land use and 1.63×10^{-5} for non-residential land use. The hazard index for residential land use is 3.09 and for non-residential land use is 2.49.”</p> <p>The Permittee’s calculations demonstrate that the carcinogenic risk for the Burn Pit does not meet the 1×10^{-5} threshold for carcinogens and the Landfill Areas do not meet the acceptable criteria for either carcinogenic risk or the hazard index (HI) of 1 for non-carcinogens. Based on these calculations, the Permittee must conduct additional</p>	<p>This comment was addressed in the October 19, 2018 <i>Response to Disapproval</i>.</p>

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<p>site-specific refinements of the assessment (i.e., collect additional data) or implement corrective actions. The Permittee must collect additional soil data to provide sufficient data points to conduct an appropriate risk assessment to move the sites forward in the corrective action process. The Permittee must also submit a work plan proposing additional data collection for NMED review and approval.</p>	
<p>Comment 8:</p>	<p>Response 8:</p>
<p>Appendix E (Analytical Data Reports) includes three laboratory reports for aqueous samples collected on 9/21/2016, 9/29/2016, and 10/3/2016. The lab reports indicate that the samples were collected at “SWMUs 4 & 5” and the sample ID’s are EB092116, EB092916, and EB100316. The aqueous sample collected under the EB092116 ID was analyzed for TPH as DRO and MRO and GRO, anions, dissolved metals, metals, mercury, semi-volatiles, and volatiles. The results demonstrate low levels of GRO (0.016 mg/L ((J)), bis (2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (20.9 ug/L) (J)), bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (3.0 ug/L (J)), and benzoic acid (5.4 ug/L (J)) were reported. The sample labeled ID EB100316 contained low levels of benzoic acid (6.4 ug/L (J)), bis(2-chloroisopropyl)ether (2.1 ug/L (J)), and mercury (0.00013 mg/L (J)). The Report does not discuss collecting these samples and states that no groundwater was encountered during the investigation. In the revised Report, discuss the reasons why these aqueous samples were collected, where they were collected, and the methods used to collect them.</p>	<p>The three laboratory samples that were collected (EB092116, EB092916, and EB100316) were equipment blanks collected from the equipment on the three days of sampling. These samples are identified as equipment blanks in Appendix F, Table A-1 of the 2017 Investigation Report.</p> <p>Equipment blanks were collected following decontamination of the drilling equipment (described in Appendix C of the 2017 Investigation Report) and submitted for analysis. Equipment blanks are collected by running deionized water over the recently decontaminated equipment and submitting a sample of the water to the laboratory for analysis.</p> <p>No changes to the report are required.</p>

Attachment B: Red-Line/Strike-Out Text

INVESTIGATION REPORT
Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU)
No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas



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area of the Old Burn Pit and the Landfill Areas, is mapped regionally as a narrow band trending west-northwest and running just north of I-40 (Figure 8). The Quaternary alluvium is thought to be the parent material of the Simitarq-Celavar soils discussed above in Section 4.1. A cross section of the shallow subsurface in the immediate vicinity of the Old Burn Pit and Landfill Areas is included as Figure 9. Figure 2 shows the location of the cross section. As shown on the cross section, the predominant lithology is silty clay.

Subcropping beneath the Quaternary alluvium is the Triassic Chinle Group (Figure 8). The stratigraphy of the Chinle Group was described in detail for the nearby Fort Wingate quadrangle by Lucas et al, 1997. The Painted Desert Member of the Petrified Forest Formation is the uppermost member of the Chinle Group present in the area of the refinery. The Painted Desert Member is described as reddish-brown and grayish red mudstone with minor beds of resistant, laminated or crossbedded, litharenite. This is consistent with the bedrock encountered at the refinery, as depicted on cross section A-A' (Figure 9). Beneath the Painted Desert Member is the Sonsela Member, which is described by Lucas et al (1997) as gray to yellowish-brown, fine-grained to conglomeratic, crossbedded sandstone. The base of the Sonsela Member is recognized as a basin wide unconformity, which was termed the Tr-4 unconformity (Heckert and Lucas, 1996). The Blue Mesa Member, which underlies the Sonsela Member, is the lowest member of the Petrified Forest Formation. The Blue Mesa Member is described as mostly purple and greenish-gray mudstone.

4.2.2 Hydrogeology

None of the three soil borings completed at SWMUs No. 4 and No. 5 encountered groundwater. Soil boring SWMU 4-1 encountered bedrock (mudstone/claystone) at a depth of 20 feet with a dry sandy clay on top of the bedrock. (Figure 9). Damp soil was observed in gravelly clay at an approximate depth of 17 feet. Soil Boring SWMU 5-1 was drilled to a depth of 20 feet pursuant to the Investigation Work Plan and was terminated in a dry sandy clay. As indicated on Figure 9, the depth to bedrock near SWMU 5-1 may be at depths of 35 to 40 feet. Bedrock was encountered at a depth of 14 feet in SWMU 5-2, with a dry stiff clay overlying the bedrock surface. Damp soil was observed at approximately 12 feet in a clayey gravel layer. The damp soil noted in soil borings SWMU 4-1 and SWMU 5-2 are at a depth similar to the water level depth measured in well OW-56. Well OW-56 is screened in a sandy, gravelly clay. Moisture observed in the gravelly clay/clayey gravel in soil borings SWMU 4-1 and SWMU 5-2 may represent shallow groundwater. Shallow groundwater may be present in the general area of the two SWMUs, but its occurrence is sporadic.

The diverse properties and complex, irregular stratigraphy of the Quaternary alluvium across the refinery cause a wide range of hydraulic conductivity ranging from less than 10^{-2} cm/sec for gravelly sands immediately overlying the Painted Desert Member to 10^{-8} cm/sec in the clay soils located near the surface (Western Refining, 2009). Permeability tests performed on the Quaternary alluvium beneath the nearby Land Treatment Unit (LTU) indicated an average permeability of $1.9\text{E-}05$ cm/sec (Appendix B). Permeability tests performed on soils in the area of the firewater pond indicated an average permeability of $1.1\text{E-}07$ cm/sec (Appendix B). Because damp soil was observed in soil borings SWMU 4-1 and SWMU 5-2, it may be representative of shallow groundwater in the area. However, due to the tight clays the presence of groundwater may not be observed in the open boreholes in a timely manner. None of the soil borings were completed as a temporary well so the presence of groundwater cannot be confirmed.

As described above, the bedrock (i.e., Petrified Forest Formation) is mainly composed of low permeability materials (e.g., mudstone) with the exception of the Sonsela Member and some thinner sandstones within the overlying Painted Desert Member. Yield tests, including slug tests and pumping tests have been performed at the refinery to estimate the hydraulic conductivity of the Painted Desert Member (Appendix B). A slug test performed on July 3, 1984 in well OW-4 indicated a hydraulic conductivity of $4.0\text{E-}7$ cm/sec. A pump test was performed in well OW-24 on February 20, 1985 and it yielded a hydraulic conductivity of $2.5\text{E-}7$ cm/sec. The Painted Desert Member appears to be a competent aquitard to reduce the potential for downward migration of contaminants from groundwater that may occur within the overlying Quaternary alluvium.

Generally, shallow groundwater at the refinery follows the upper contact of the Chinle Group with prevailing flow from the southeast to the northwest, with some flow potentially to the northeast on the northeastern portion of the refinery property. The Sonsela Member is identified as the uppermost aquifer for RCRA monitoring purposes at the LTU because the overlying groundwater bearing units are not capable of supplying sufficient quantities of groundwater to meet the definitions of an aquifer. Wells completed in a thinner permeable sandstone layer within the Painted Desert Member are also monitored near the LTU as a potential early warning network. The Sonsela's highest point occurs southeast of the site and slopes downward to the northwest as it passes under the refinery. The Sonsela Member forms a water-bearing reservoir with artesian conditions throughout the central and western portions of the refinery property (Western Refining, 2009). Aquifer test of the Sonsela Member conducted northeast of Prewitt indicated a transmissivity of

greater than 100 ft²/day (Stone and others, 1983). Yield tests conducted at the site have shown a much lower hydraulic conductivity of 0.34 ft/day (1.2E-04 cm/sec) (Appendix B).

Sections 2.1 and 2.2 present the historical data collected for SWMU No. 4 and SWMU No. 5, respectively. In SWMU No. 4, two constituents (ethylbenzene and naphthalene) were detected at concentrations above the soil screening levels developed to protect groundwater but less than the residential soil screening level for direct contact. The detections were observed in samples collected between 3 ft bgs and 4.5 ft bgs; samples collected at 6 ft bgs and 10 ft bgs were below detection limits. The samples depths are approximately 10 ft above the observed damp gravelly clay layer.

In SWMU No. 5, arsenic was detected at concentrations above the soil screening levels developed to protect groundwater and was also reported at concentrations above the residential soil screening level for direct contact. The detections occurred between 0 ft bgs and 20 ft bgs. These samples depths are approximately 15 ft above the observed clayey gravel layer. No organic constituents were above any screening standards.

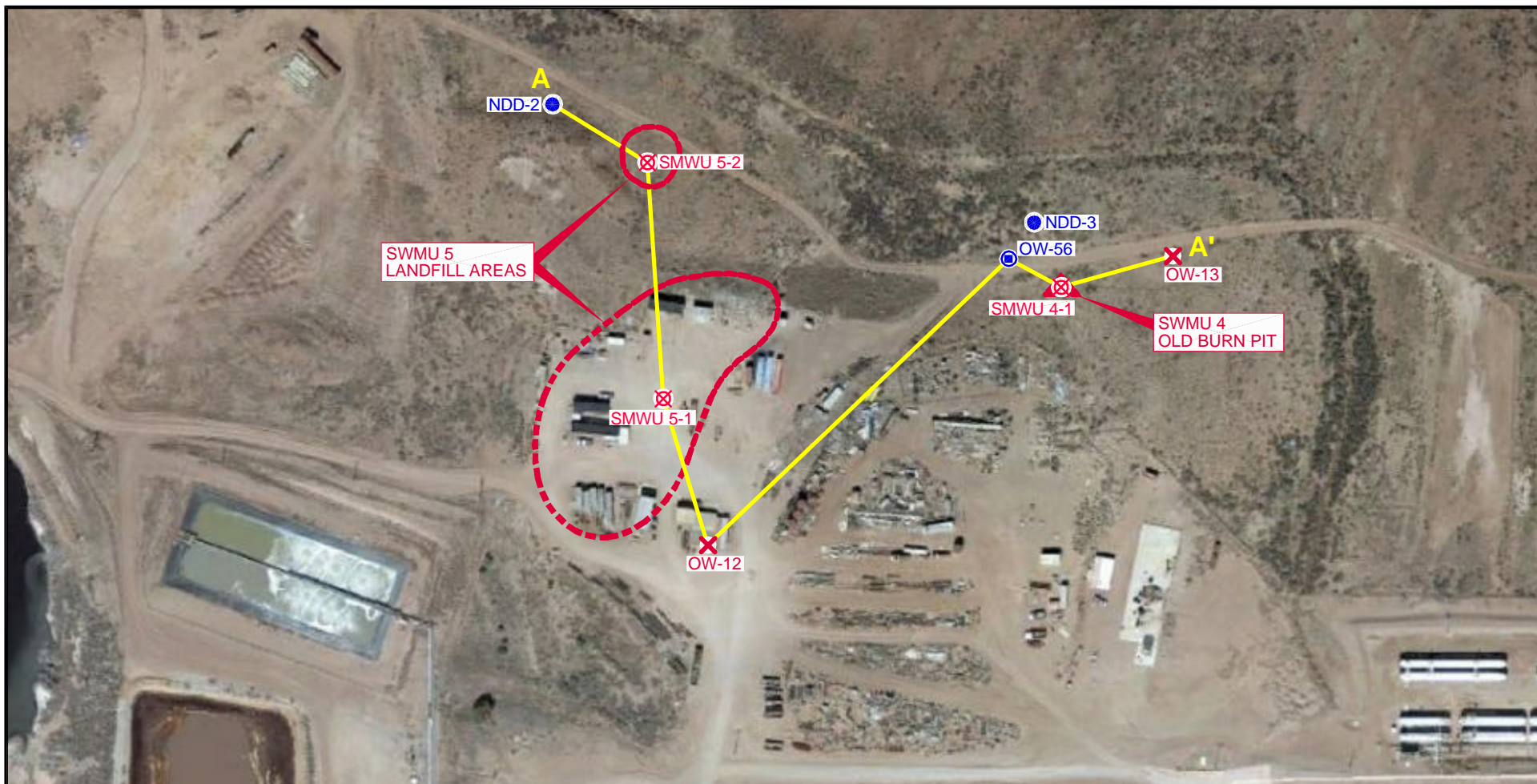
Information regarding the current investigation is presented in Section 4.3.

4.3 Exploratory Drilling Investigations, Soil Sampling and Boring Abandonment

This subsection provides a description of surface and subsurface investigations to define the vertical extent of any impacts to soil and evaluate the presence of and potential for impacts to groundwater. This includes soil field screening results, soil sampling intervals and methods for detection of surface and subsurface impacts in soils.

Discrete soil samples for laboratory analyses were scheduled for collection at the following intervals:

- From the interval in each soil boring with the greatest apparent degree of contamination, based on field observations and field screening;
- From the top of native soil immediately below the presence of any waste materials (e.g., burn residue in the Old Burn Pit or landfill waste in the Landfill Areas);
- From the bottom of each borehole;
- From the 6" interval at the top of saturation (applicable only to borings that reach saturation); and
- Any additional intervals as determined based on field screening results.



Aerial Source: Google Maps, 03/18/2016

LEGEND

- X SWMU 4-1 2016 SOIL BORING LOCATION AND IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
- X OW-12 SONSELA MONITORING WELL LOCATION AND IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
- NDD-2 TEMPORARY MONITORING WELL LOCATION AND IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
- OW-56 ALLUVIUM / CHINLE GP MONITORING WELL LOCATION AND IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
- A — A' LINE OF CROSS-SECTION



QUADRANGLE LOCATION

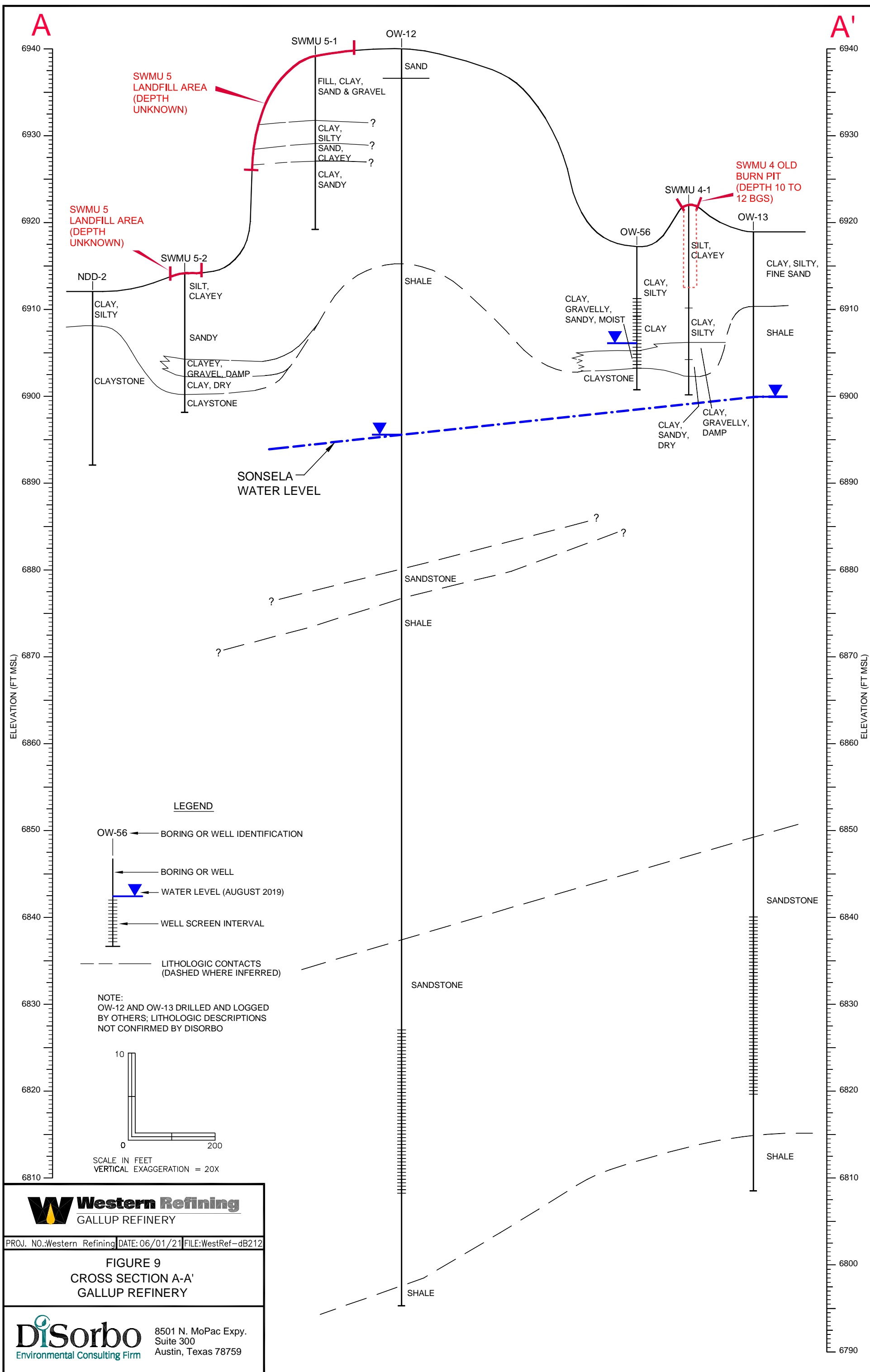


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FIGURE 2
SWMUs No. 4 & No. 5 LOCATION MAP
GALLUP REFINERY



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Appendix D

Boring Logs

Western Refining SW, Inc.
Gallup Refinery - North Drainage Ditch
Job No. WEST15005

Geologist : Tracy Payne
Driller : Aguirre
Drilling Rig : CME75
Drilling Method : 7.25" Hollow-Stem Auger
Sampling Method : 2" Diameter Split Spoon
Comments : 2' Long
Total Depth : 20'
Ground Water : Not Encountered
Start Date : 5-11-2015
Finish Date : 5-11-2015

WELL NO. NDD-2

(Sheet 1 of 1)

Elev., TOC (ft.msl) :
Elev., PAD (ft. msl) :
Elev., GL (ft. msl) :
Site Coordinates :
N : N35°29.469'
E : W108°25.724'

Depth (ft.)	PID (ppm)	Saturation	Lithology	USCS	Recovery (%)	Sample	Saturation ▼ Saturation	Completion Results
							DESCRIPTION	
-2								
-1								
0								
1	9.7			CL	50		SILTY CLAY, low, soft to very stiff, damp to dry, reddish brown, no odor,	
2								
3	14.4			CL	50		SILTY CLAY, SIMILAR TO ABOVE (STA), very stiff, no odor,	
4								
5	17.1			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, low, very stiff, dry, reddish purple, no odor, trace grey,	
6								
7	18.0			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, STA, purple, no odor, very dense,	
8								
9	14.8			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, STA, no odor,	
10								
11	16.3			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, STA, purple and grey, no odor,	
12								
13	13.5			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, STA, no odor,	
14								
15	12.2			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, STA, no odor,	
16								
17	12.4			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, STA, no odor,	
18								
19	10.8			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, STA, no odor.	
20								

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Gallup Refinery - North Drainage Ditch
Job No. WEST15005

Geologist : Tracy Payne
Driller : Aguirre
Drilling Rig : CME75
Drilling Method : 7.25" Hollow-Stem Auger
Sampling Method : 2" Diameter Split Spoon
Comments : 2' Long
Total Depth : 16'
Ground Water : 10.52' BTOC on 5-14-2015
Start Date : 5-11-2015
Finish Date : 5-11-2015

WELL NO. NDD-3

(Sheet 1 of 1)

Elev., TOC (ft.msl) :
Elev., PAD (ft. msl) :
Elev., GL (ft. msl) :
Site Coordinates :
N : N35°29.612'
E : W108°25.612'

Depth (ft.)	PID (ppm)	Saturation	Lithology	USCS	Recovery (%)	Sample	Saturation ▼ Saturation	Completion Results
							DESCRIPTION	
-3								<div><div></div><div>Top of Casing 2.83' Above Ground Level</div><div></div><div>2" Sch 40 PVC w/Threaded Joints</div><div>Bentonite Pellets</div><div></div><div></div><div>10/20 Sieve Sand Filter Pack</div><div>2" Sch 40 PVC Slotted 0.01" Screen w/Threaded Joints</div><div></div><div>2" Flush Threaded Sch 40 PVC Cap</div></div>
-2								
-1								
0								
1	14.2			CL	60		SILTY CLAY, low, soft, damp, brown, no odor,	
2								
3	12.2			CL	80		SILTY CLAY, SIMILAR TO ABOVE (STA), firm, no odor,	
4								
5	14.4			CL	70		SILTY CLAY, STA, no odor,	
6								
7	9.9			CH	90		SILTY CLAY, high, firm, damp, light tan and brown, black organics, no odor,	
8								
9	10.7			CH	80		CLAY, high, firm, damp, brown trace light tan, no odor,	
10								
11	11.9	▼		CH	80		CLAY, STA,	
12				SC	80		CLAYEY GRAVELLY SAND, fine grain sand with sandstone gravel and low plastic clay, firm, moist to saturated, brown, no odor,	
13	13.9			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, very stiff, damp to dry, purple grey, no odor,	
14								
15	13.5			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, STA, no odor.	
16								
17								
18								
19								
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Gallup Refinery - Well Installations
Job No. WEST16006

Geologist : Tracy Payne
Driller : Enviro-Drill, Inc. / Cohagan
Drilling Rig : CME 75
Drilling Method : Hollow Stem Auger
Sampling Method : Split Spoon
Comments : Hand Augered to 3' BGL
Total Depth : 16.5' BGL
Ground Water : »12' BGL
Start Date : 05/24/2016
Finish Date : 05/24/2016

WELL NO. OW-56

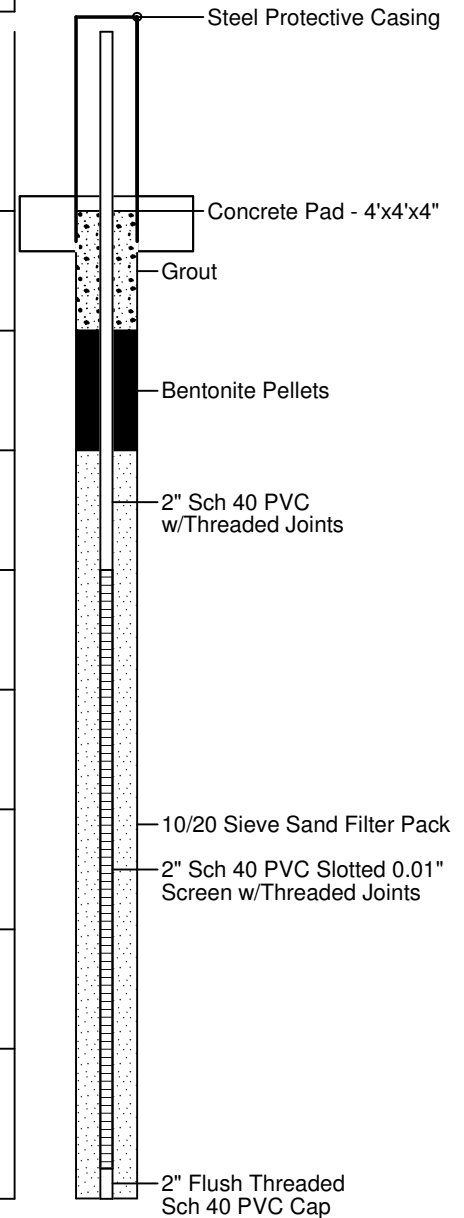
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Elev., PAD (ft. msl) : 6917.79
Elev., GL (ft. msl) : NA
Site Coordinates :
N : N 35° 29' 36.56"
E : W 108° 25' 36.64"

Depth (ft.)	PID (ppm)	Saturation	Lithology	USCS	Recovery (%)	Sample	Saturation ▼ Saturation
DESCRIPTION							
-3							
-2							
-1							
0							
1	10.5			CL	100		SILTY CLAY, low, soft, damp, brown, no odor,
2							
3	11.0			CL	100		SILTY CLAY, SIMILAR TO ABOVE (STA),
4							
5	11.4			CL	100		SILTY CLAY, moderate, firm, damp, brown, no odor,
6							
7	8.3			CL	100		SILTY CLAY, STA, sand/gravel seam at 7.5-7.75' BGL,
8							
9	13.6			CH	90		CLAY, high, firm, damp, brown, no odor,
10							
11	16.7			CH	90		CLAY, STA, traces light tan silt, no odor,
12							
13	19.1			CL	50		GRAVELLY SANDY CLAY, low, firm, moist, yellowish green gravel (sandstone), brown clay, no odor,
14							
15	13.6			CLST	50		CLAYSTONE, very stiff, damp to dry, brown, purple and grey, no odor.
16							
17							

Completion Results

OW-56



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**RE: Response to Disapproval
Response to Disapproval Investigation Report Solid Waste Management Units
(SWMU)
No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas
Marathon Petroleum Company LP, Gallup Refinery
(dba Western Refining Southwest LLC)
EPA ID# NMD000333211
HWB-WRG-17-006**

Dear Mr. Pierard:

Marathon Petroleum Company LP (dba Western Refining Southwest LLC) Gallup Refinery (MPC) is submitting this *Response to Disapproval, Response to Comments Disapproval, Investigation Report Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU) No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas*. A timeline of the reports and investigations for the burn pits and landfill areas is provided below.

- Investigation Work Plan, submitted June 24, 2014
- Disapproval, received August 17, 2015
- Response to Disapproval, submitted November 19, 2015
- Approval with Modifications, submitted April 18, 2016
- Investigation Report, submitted March 13, 2017
- Disapproval, received June 7, 2018
- Response to Disapproval, submitted October 19, 2018
- Disapproval, received March 15, 2021
- Response to Disapproval of October 2018, submitted June 30, 2021

If there are any questions, please call Mr. John Moore at (915) 775-7864.

Certification

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision according to a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

Sincerely,
Marathon Petroleum Company LP, Gallup Refinery

Robert S. Hanks

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Refinery General Manager

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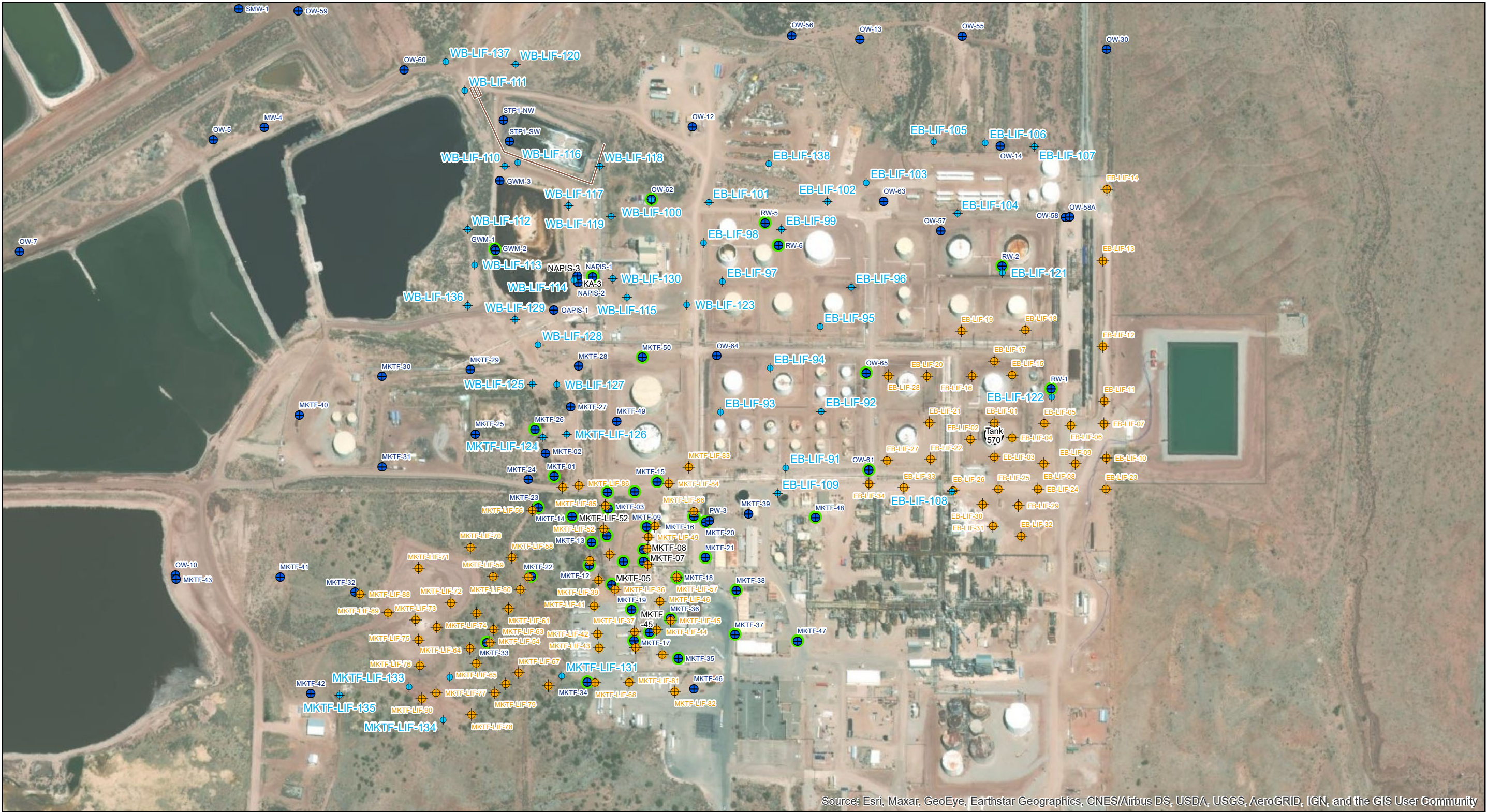
Attachment A: Response to Comments

New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) to Marathon Petroleum Company (MPC) Comment Letter “Disapproval Response to Disapproval Investigation Report Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU) No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas” (March 4, 2021)

NMED Comments	MPC Responses
Comment 1:	Response 1:
<p>The Permittee only submitted the response to Comments 4 and 7 of the NMED’s June 7, 2018 Disapproval. There are total of eight comments to be addressed in the Disapproval and the response to other comments was not included in this submittal. Although the Response asserted that the revised Report would be submitted by December 14, 2018, the required submittal was not received. The June 7, 2018 Disapproval requires two hard copies, an electronic and a red-line strikeout (RLSO) version of the revised Report. The Permittee must provide the response to all NMED’s comments of the June 2, 2018 Disapproval, two hard copies and an electronic and a RLSO version of the revised Report no later than June 30, 2021.</p>	<p>This comment has been acknowledged. Marathon Petroleum Company (MPC) submitted the response to comments from the June 7, 2018 Disapproval, Investigation Report Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU) No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas on June 30, 2021.</p>
Comment 2:	Response 2:
<p>The response to NMED’s Disapproval Comment 4 states, “[t]here is no storage, handling, processing or refining of petroleum hydrocarbons in the subject area.” In a response letter, explain whether the area in the vicinity of SWMUs 4 and 5 was potentially affected by recent releases (e.g., French Drain area). If recent releases potentially affected the area, propose to submit a work plan to recollect soil samples in SWMUs 4 and 5.</p>	<p>MPC does not propose recollecting soil samples in the Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 4 and 5 area.</p> <p>In May 2021, MPC conducted a sitewide Laser Induced Fluorescence (LIF) Investigation. Based on the EB-LIF-138 log in the SWMU 4 area, minimal response was encountered indicating clean soil. In the surrounding area (including the French Drain), EB-LIF-101, EB-LIF-102, WB-LIF-110, WB-LIF-116, and WB-LIF-118 also show clean soil. The LIF locations and logs will be provided as an attachment in the Sitewide Laser Induced Fluorescence/Hydraulic Profiling (LIF/HP) Report, which will be submitted no later than October 31, 2021.</p> <p>Additionally, the north drainage ditch investigation is scheduled to be completed during summer 2021. The investigation is located near the SWMU 4 and 5 area. Temporary and permanent monitoring well installations, soil borings, and soil and groundwater sample collection are activities included in the north drainage ditch investigation. An investigation report summarizing the results will be submitted to NMED by December 31, 2021.</p>

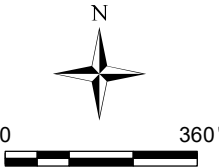
Attachment B: LIF Locations and Logs

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EXPLANATION

- | | | | |
|--|------------------------|--|--------------|
| | PROPOSED LIF LOCATIONS | | FRENCH DRAIN |
| | ORIGINAL LIF LOCATIONS | | TANK 570 |
| | MONITORING WELLS | | |
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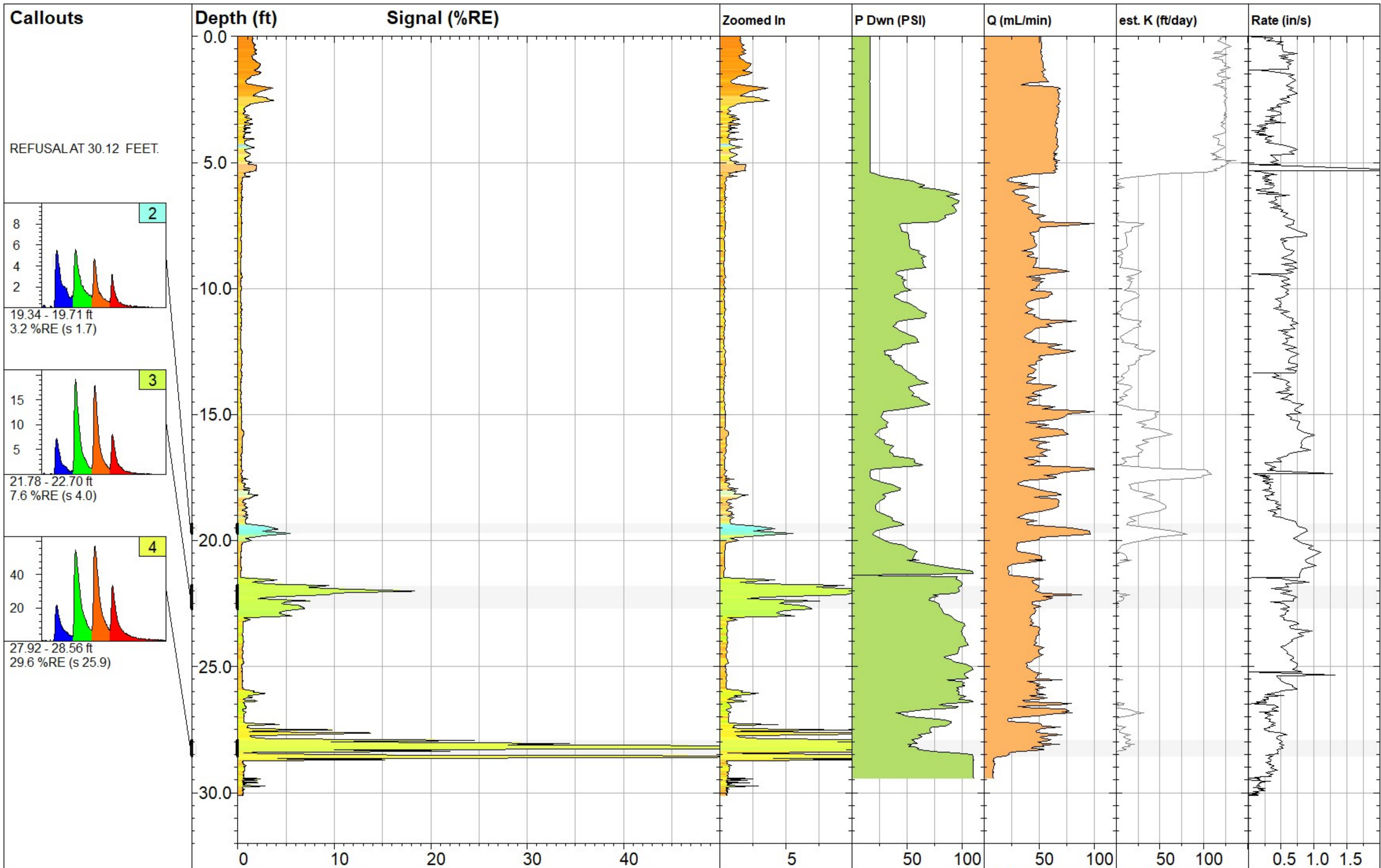
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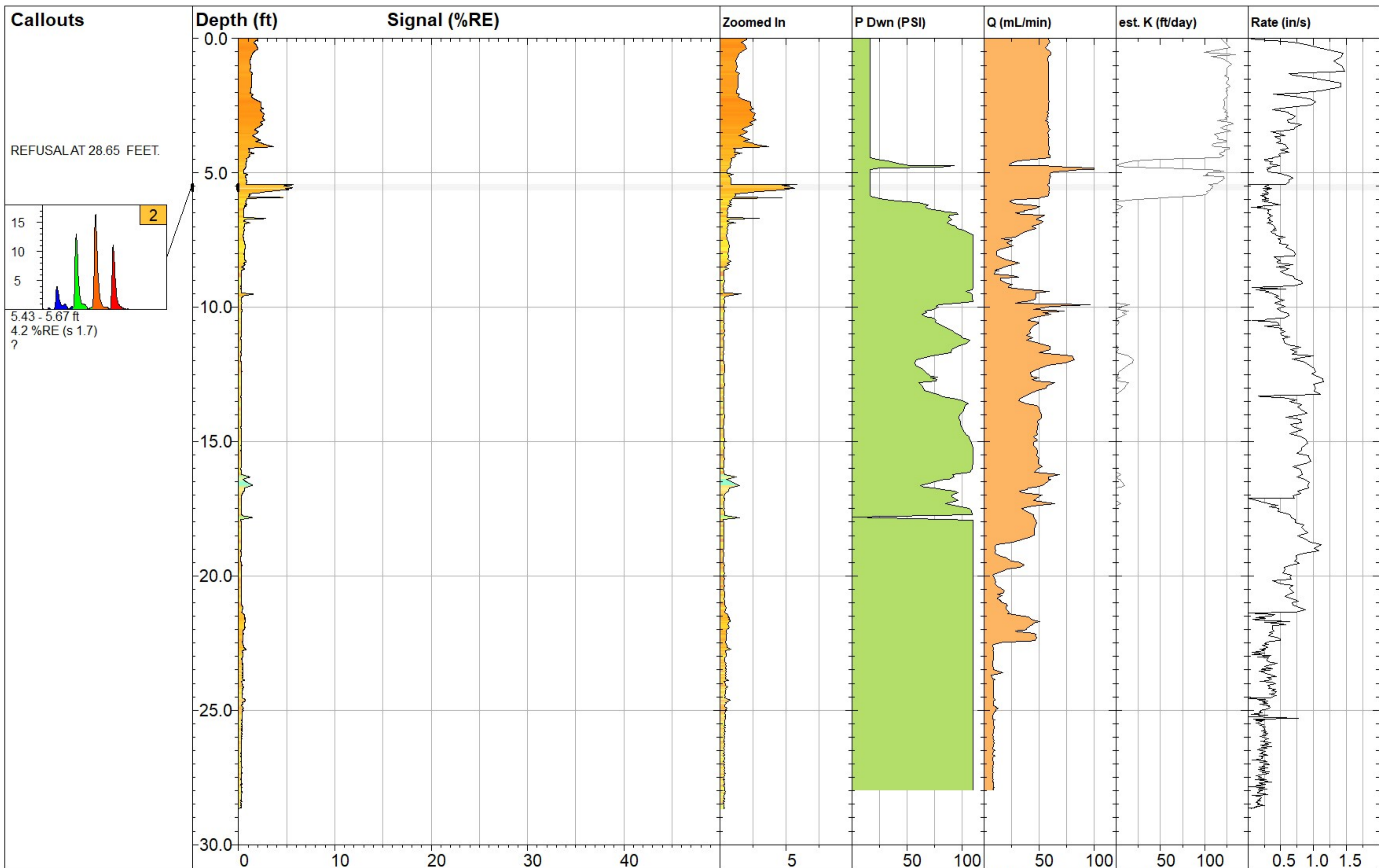
**PROPOSED LIF SAMPLE LOCATIONS
MARKETING TANK FARM/LOADING RACK**

**MARATHON PETROLEUM COMPANY
GALLUP REFINING DIVISION
GALLUP, NEW MEXICO**

Drawn By: KEJ Checked By: PH Scale: 1" = 360' Date: 4/22/21 File: 1_LIF_EB_TankFarm_LoadingRack_Mar2021_Fig1.mxd



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	Operator / Unit: BG / UVOST1612	Elevation: Unavailable		Date & Time: 2021-05-11 08:22 MDT	



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EB-LIF-102

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Marathon Gallup Refinery

Client / Job:
Trihydro / 0049B.21

Operator / Unit:
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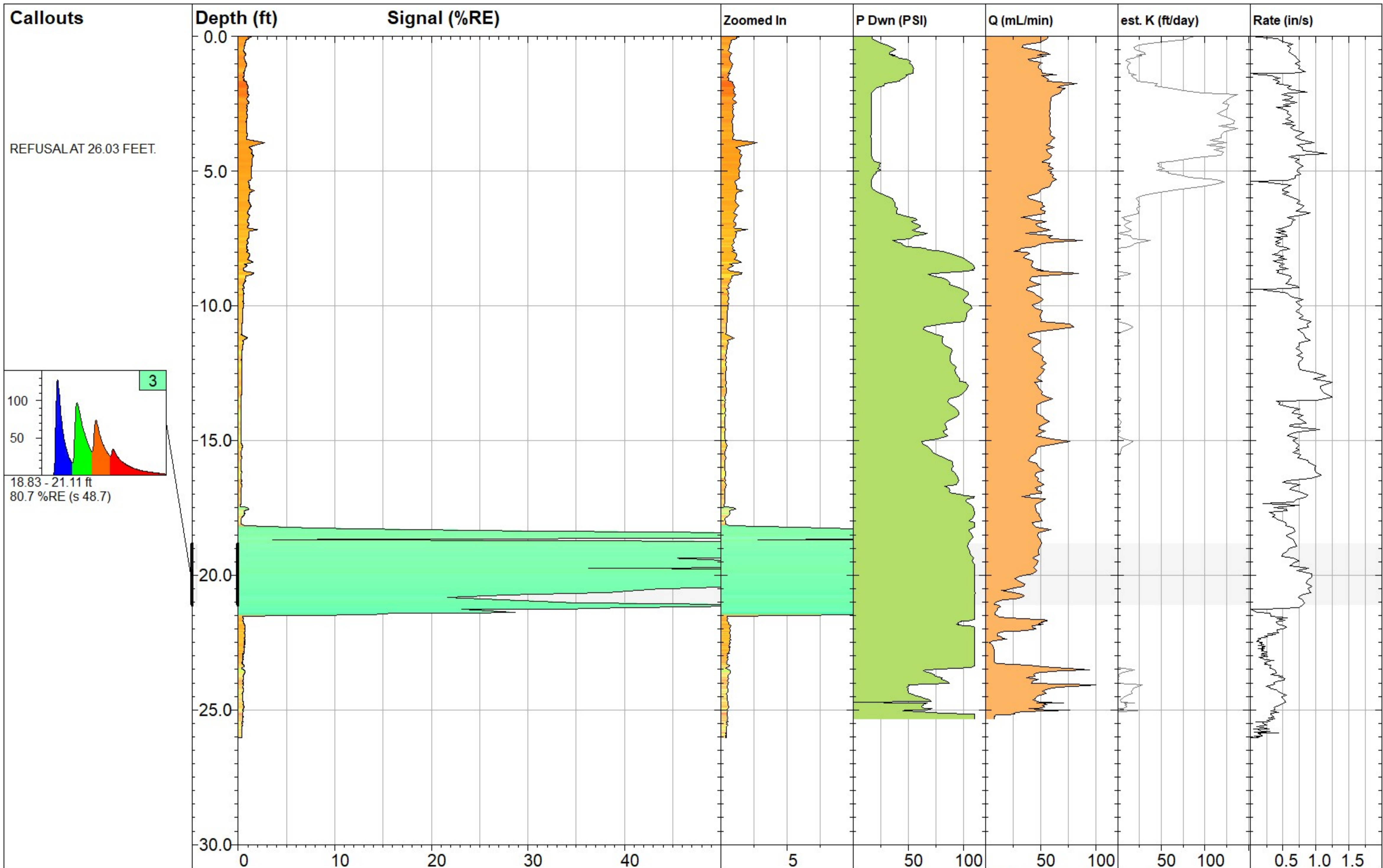
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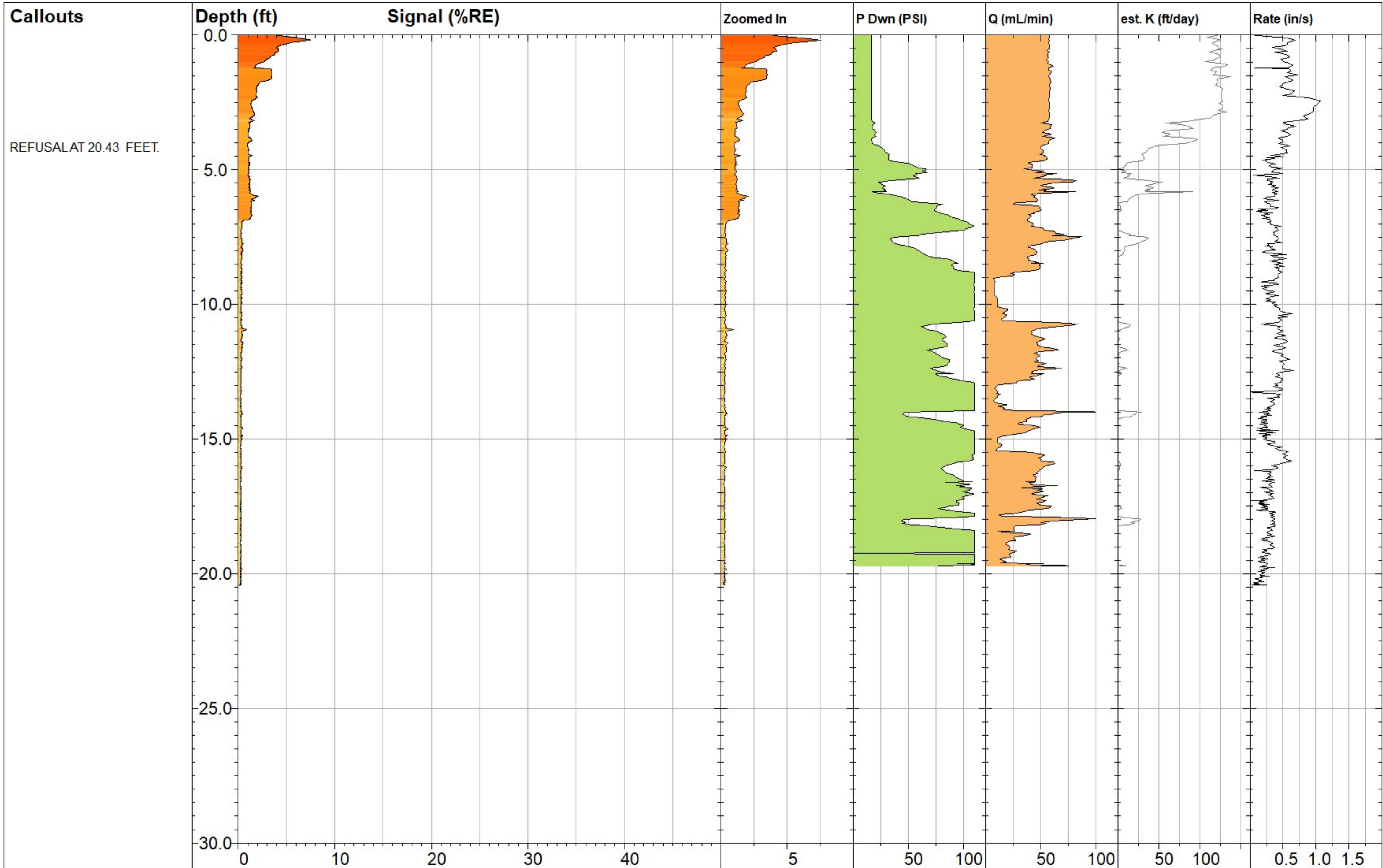
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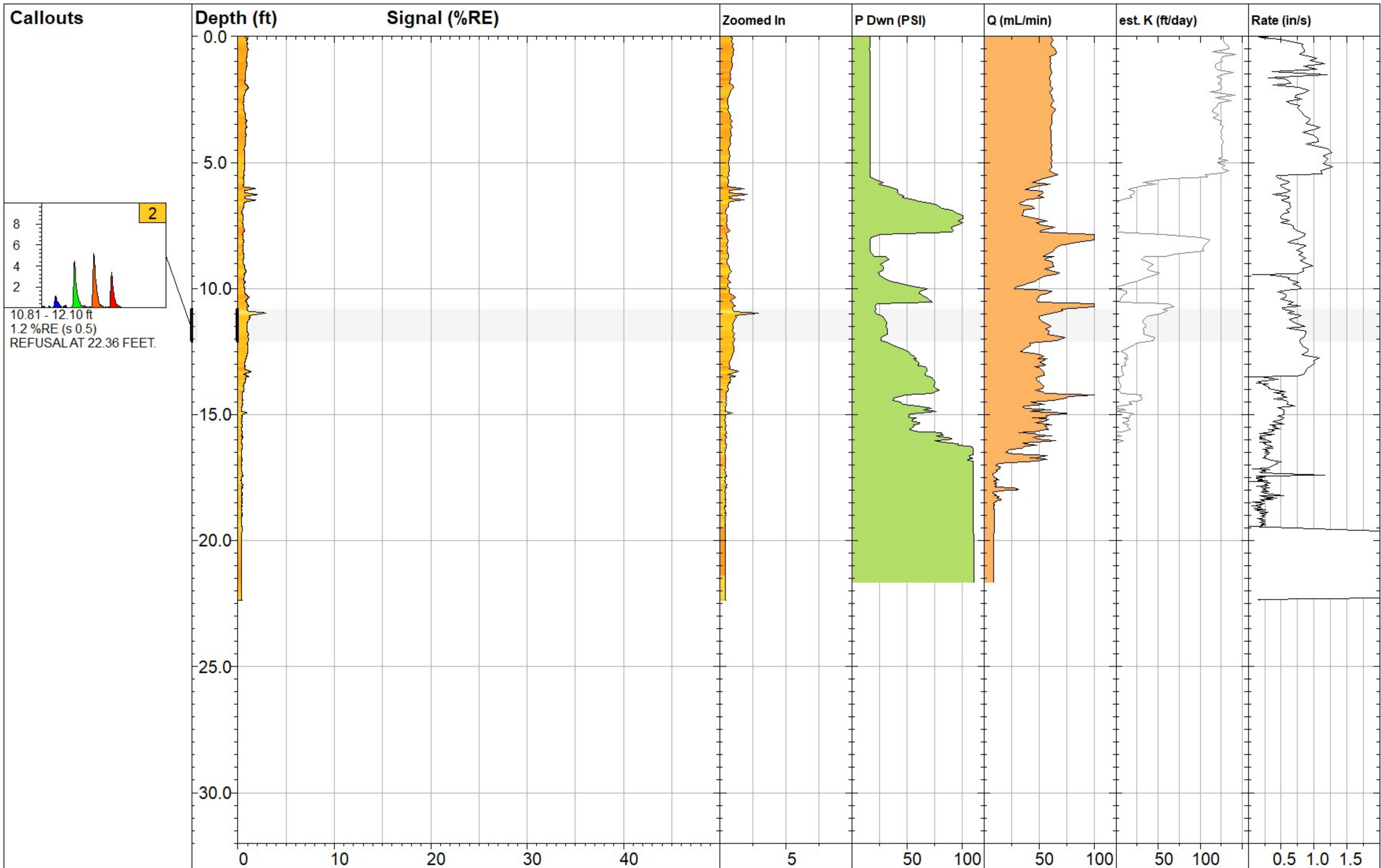
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	Operator / Unit: BG / UVOST1612	Elevation: Unavailable	Date & Time: 2021-05-10 14:52 MDT	



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WB-LIF-110

Site:
Marathon Gallup Refinery

Client / Job:
Trihydro / 0049B.21

Operator / Unit:
BG / UVOST1612

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X Coord.(Long/East):
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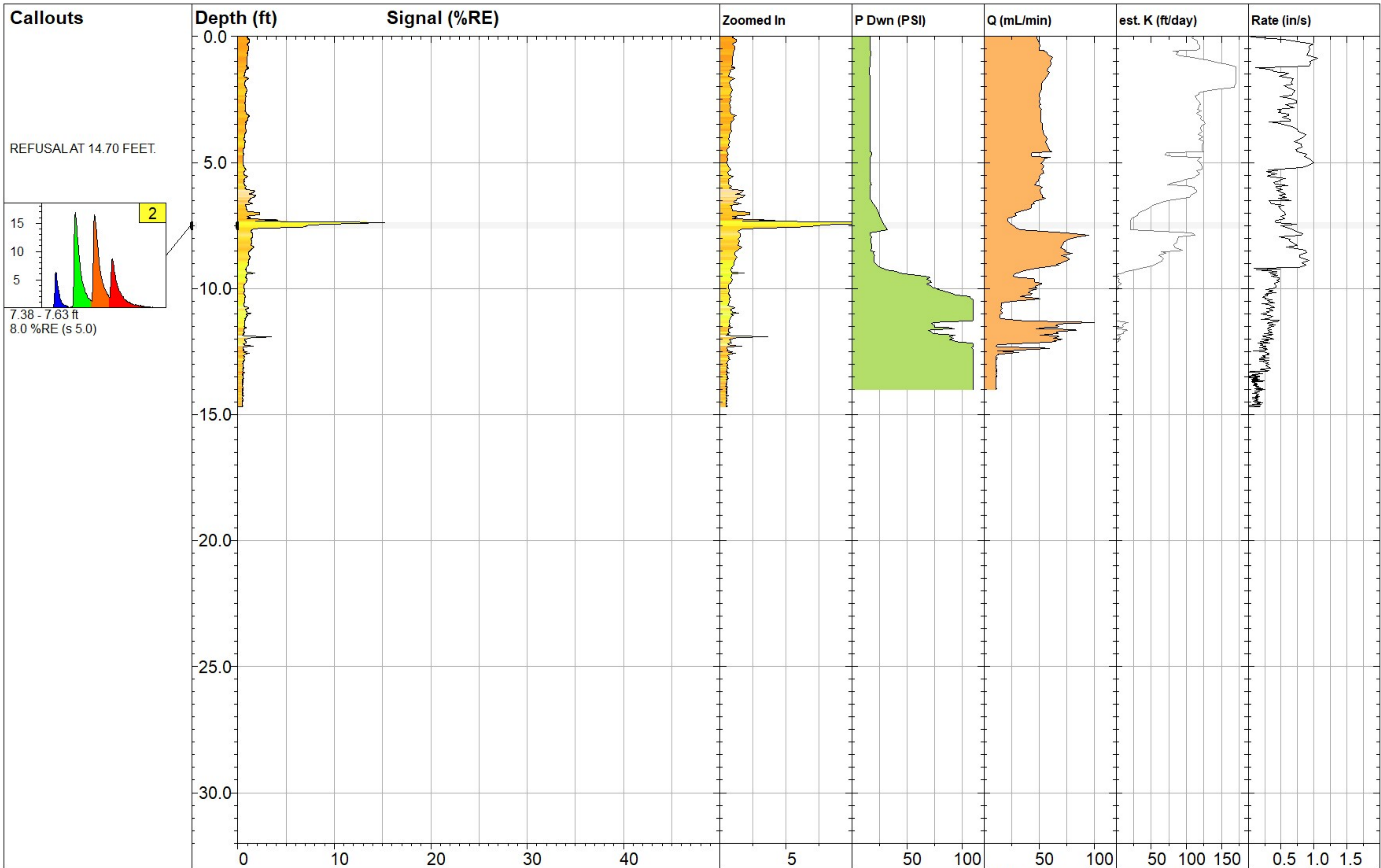
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Final Depth:
22.36 ft

Max Signal:
2.9 %RE @ 10.97 ft

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Q (mL/min)

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est. K (ft/day)

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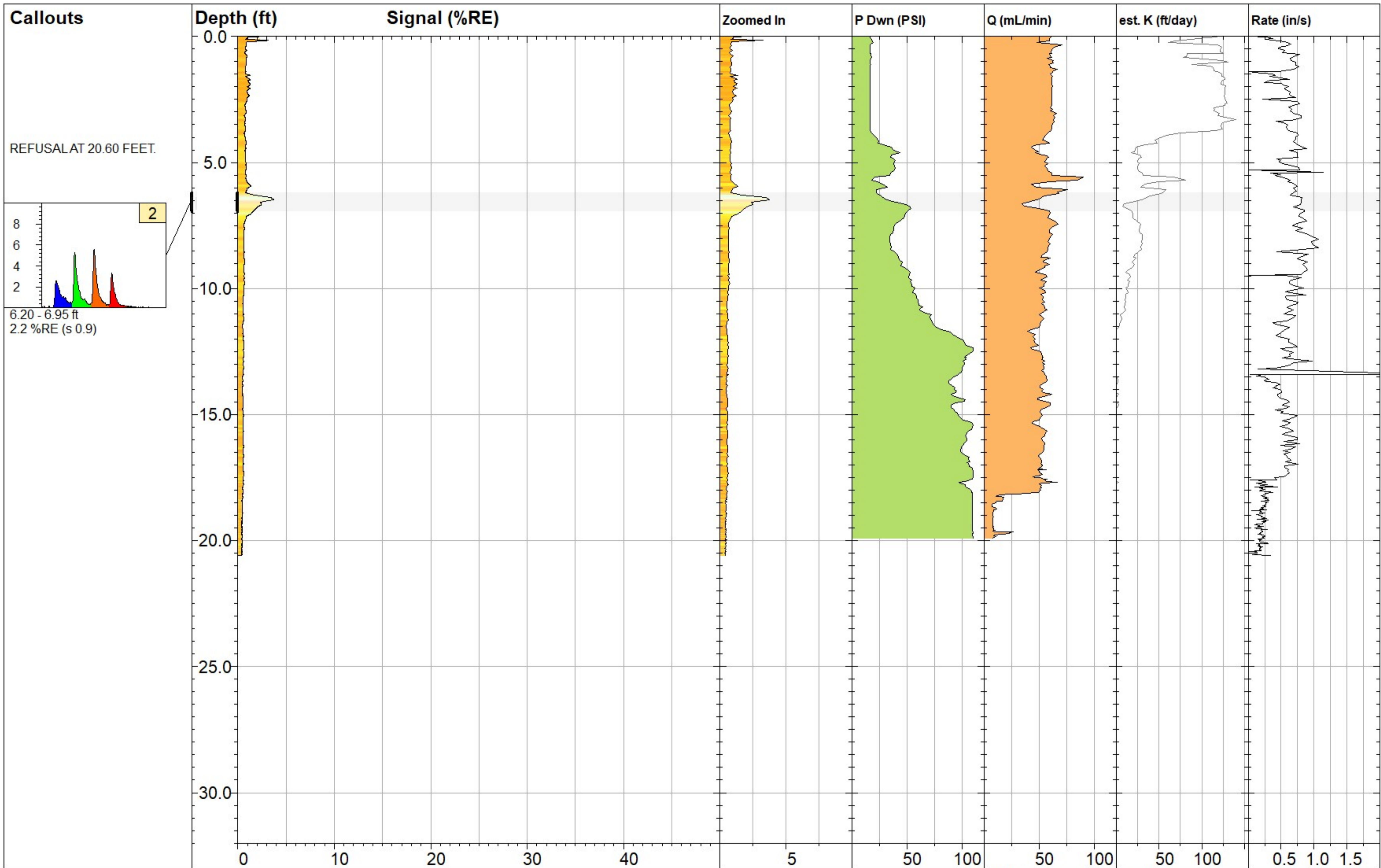
Rate (in/s)


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	Client / Job: Trihydro / 0049B.21	X Coord.(Long/East): Unavailable		Max Signal: 15.4 %RE @ 7.38 ft	
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	Site: Marathon Gallup Refinery	Y Coord.(Lat/North): Unavailable		Final Depth: 20.60 ft	
	Client / Job: Trihydro / 0049B.21	X Coord.(Long/East): Unavailable		Max Signal: 3.7 %RE @ 6.48 ft	
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August 3, 2021

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Western Refining, Southwest Inc., Gallup Refinery
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**RE: DISAPPROVAL
RESPONSE TO DISAPPROVAL, RESPONSE TO DISAPPROVAL INVESTIGATION REPORT
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNITS (SWMU) NO. 4 OLD BURN PIT AND NO. 5
LANDFILL AREAS [DATED JULY 7, 2021]
RESPONSE TO DISAPPROVAL INVESTIGATION REPORT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT
UNITS (SWMU) NO. 4 OLD BURN PIT AND NO. 5 LANDFILL AREAS [DATED JUNE 30,
2021]
WESTERN REFINING SOUTHWEST INC., GALLUP REFINERY
EPA ID # NMD000333211
HWB-WRG-17-006**

Dear Mr. Moore:

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) is in receipt of the Marathon Petroleum Company dba Western Refining Southwest Inc., Gallup Refinery (Permittee) *Response to Disapproval, Response to Disapproval Investigation Report Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU) No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas* (July 7, 2021 Response), dated July 7, 2021, and *Response to Disapproval Investigation Report Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU) No. 4 Old Burn Pit and No. 5 Landfill Areas* (June 30, 2021 Response), dated June 30, 2021. NMED reviewed the Responses, and hereby issues this Disapproval with the following comments.

GENERAL COMMENT

Comment 1

The Permittee submitted the response letters with replacement pages but neglected to submit the required documents. Comment 1 of the NMED's March 15, 2021 Disapproval requires the Permittee to submit two hard copies, an electronic and a red-line strikeout (RLSO) version of the revised Report. Similarly, the NMED's June 7, 2018 Disapproval states, "[p]rovide NMED

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with two hard copies and an electronic version of the revised Report. Include a red-line strikeout version, in electronic format, showing where all the revisions to the Report have been made." Submit all documents required by NMED in future submittals.

COMMENT FOR THE JULY 7, 2021 RESPONSE

Comment 2

The response to NMED's March 15, 2021 Disapproval Comment 2 states, "MPC does not propose recollecting soil samples in the Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 4 and 5 area. In May 2021, MPC conducted a sitewide Laser Induced Fluorescence (LIF) Investigation. Based on the EB-LIF-138 log in the SWMU 4 area, minimal response was encountered indicating clean soil. In the surrounding area (including the French Drain), EB-LIF-101, EB-LIF-102, WB-LIF-110, WB-LIF-116, and WB-LIF-118 also show clean soil. The LIF locations and logs will be provided as an attachment in the Sitewide Laser Induced Fluorescence/Hydraulic Profiling (LIF/HP) Report, which will be submitted no later than October 31, 2021."

According to Figure 1, the locations of the LIF borings are shown; however, the boundaries of SWMUs 4 and 5 are not identified. Therefore, it is not clear how the LIF borings are relevant to the investigation of SWMUs 4 and 5. The figure must be revised to identify the boundaries of SWMUs 4 and 5. Note that the LIF investigation results may be incorporated to assess the presence/absence of non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) in the SWMUs 4 and 5 areas; however, LIF data cannot be used to identify exceedance of the screening level for each individual constituent and cannot be used to demonstrate compliance. Accordingly, the LIF investigation results do not preclude the requirement for a recollection of the samples from the SWMUs 4 and 5 areas. Propose to collect additional soil/groundwater samples from SWMUs 4 and 5 to confirm that recent activities (e.g., releases) have not adversely affected the areas in the revised Report, as appropriate.

In addition, the log for LIF boring EB-LIF-103 was also included in Appendix B but the elevated LIF responses recorded in the log were not discussed in the response. The EB-LIF-103 boring log indicates the presence of NAPL at depths between 16 feet and 23 feet below ground surface (bgs) which may be consistent with the depth of the water table. Include the discussion regarding the elevated LIF responses relative to the investigation of SWMUs 4 and 5 in the revised Report.

Furthermore, NMED already issued a disapproval for the *Marketing Tank Farm Laser-induced Fluorescence/Hydraulic Profiling Investigation Report* on June 2, 2021. The Permittee intends to provide additional/new data as part of the referenced report. The additional/new data must be evaluated separately. Submit the additional/new data as a standalone letter report or as a supplemental report.

COMMENT FOR THE JUNE 30, 2021 RESPONSE

Comment 3

The response to NMED's June 7, 2018 Disapproval Comment 2 states, "Section 4.2.2 (Hydrogeology), pages 4-2 and 4-3, have been revised to state [w]ell OW-56 is screened in a sandy, gravelly clay. Moisture observed in the gravelly clay/clayey gravel in soil borings SWMU 4-1 and SWMU 5-2 may represent shallow groundwater. Shallow groundwater may be present in the general area of the two SWMUs, but its occurrence is sporadic."

Although Section 4.2.2 was revised for clarity, Section 7.1 (Conclusions) was not revised to resolve the discrepancy. Section 7.1 contradicts Section 4.2.2 by stating that, "[g]roundwater was not encountered and there was no evidence of historical impacts to groundwater beneath the Old Burn Pit," and "there is no evidence of any threats to groundwater [in the Landfill Areas] and the soil cap is preventing any potential direct contact exposures to buried waste materials." Section 7.1 must be revised to resolve the discrepancy in the revised Report.

In addition, the historical groundwater measurement data indicates that shallow groundwater is consistently detected in wells OW-56 and OW-62; therefore, shallow groundwater may be present regularly rather than sporadically in the SWMUs 4 and 5 areas. Correct the statement in the revised Report, as appropriate.

The Permittee must submit a revised Report that addresses all comments contained in the letter. Two hard copies and an electronic version of the revised Report must be submitted to the NMED. The Permittee must also include a redline-strikeout version in electronic format showing where all revisions to the Report have been made. The revised Report must be accompanied with a response letter that details where all revisions have been made, cross-referencing NMED's numbered comments. The revised Report must be submitted to NMED no later than **December 31, 2021**.

If you have questions regarding this letter, please contact Michiya Suzuki of my staff at 505-690-6930.

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