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Form C-141  
Revised August 24, 2018  
Submit to appropriate OCD District office

Incident ID	nAPP2110529316
District RP	
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## Release Notification

### Responsible Party

Responsible Party: Cimarex Energy Co.	OGRID: 215099
Contact Name: Laci Luig	Contact Telephone: (432) 571-7800
Contact email: lluig@cimarex.com	Incident # (assigned by OCD) nAPP2110529316
Contact mailing address: 600 N Marienfeld Street, Ste. 600 Midland, TX 79701	

### Location of Release Source

Latitude 32.25301 \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude -103.61342 \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name: Tres Equis State	Site Type: Battery
Date Release Discovered: 4/14/2021	API# (if applicable)

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
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Surface Owner: ☒ State ☐ Federal ☐ Tribal ☐ Private (Name: \_\_\_\_\_)

### Nature and Volume of Release

Material(s) Released (Select all that apply and attach calculations or specific justification for the volumes provided below)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crude Oil	Volume Released (bbls) 150	Volume Recovered (bbls) 150
<input type="checkbox"/> Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
	Is the concentration of dissolved chloride in the produced water >10,000 mg/l?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Condensate	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Gas	Volume Released (Mcf)	Volume Recovered (Mcf)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)	Volume/Weight Released (provide units)	Volume/Weight Recovered (provide units)

Cause of Release: Human Error

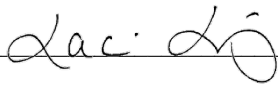
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Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release? Total amount of release is greater than 25 barrels.
If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)? By: Laci Luig To: Mike Bratcher, Cristina Eads, Robert Hamlet, Jim Griswold, SLO By: Email	

### Initial Response

*The responsible party must undertake the following actions immediately unless they could create a safety hazard that would result in injury*

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The source of the release has been stopped. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The impacted area has been secured to protect human health and the environment. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Released materials have been contained via the use of berms or dikes, absorbent pads, or other containment devices. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All free liquids and recoverable materials have been removed and managed appropriately.	
If all the actions described above have <u>not</u> been undertaken, explain why:	
Per 19.15.29.8 B. (4) NMAC the responsible party may commence remediation immediately after discovery of a release. If remediation has begun, please attach a narrative of actions to date. If remedial efforts have been successfully completed or if the release occurred within a lined containment area (see 19.15.29.11(A)(5)(a) NMAC), please attach all information needed for closure evaluation.	
I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to OCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the OCD does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.	
Printed Name: Laci Luig	Title: ESH Specialist
Signature: 	Date: 4/15/2021
email: llug@cimarex.com	Telephone: (432) 208-3035
<b><u>OCD Only</u></b>	
Received by: Ramona Marcus	Date: 7/7/2021

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## Site Assessment/Characterization

*This information must be provided to the appropriate district office no later than 90 days after the release discovery date.*

What is the shallowest depth to groundwater beneath the area affected by the release?	<u>400</u> (ft bgs)
Did this release impact groundwater or surface water?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of a continuously flowing watercourse or any other significant watercourse?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 200 feet of any lakebed, sinkhole, or playa lake (measured from the ordinary high-water mark)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of an occupied permanent residence, school, hospital, institution, or church?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 500 horizontal feet of a spring or a private domestic fresh water well used by less than five households for domestic or stock watering purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 1000 feet of any other fresh water well or spring?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within incorporated municipal boundaries or within a defined municipal fresh water well field?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within 300 feet of a wetland?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release overlying a subsurface mine?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release overlying an unstable area such as karst geology?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are the lateral extents of the release within a 100-year floodplain?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Did the release impact areas <b>not</b> on an exploration, development, production, or storage site?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Attach a comprehensive report (electronic submittals in .pdf format are preferred) demonstrating the lateral and vertical extents of soil contamination associated with the release have been determined. Refer to 19.15.29.11 NMAC for specifics.

### **Characterization Report Checklist:** *Each of the following items must be included in the report.*

- ☐ Scaled site map showing impacted area, surface features, subsurface features, delineation points, and monitoring wells.
- ☐ Field data
- ☐ Data table of soil contaminant concentration data
- ☐ Depth to water determination
- ☐ Determination of water sources and significant watercourses within ½-mile of the lateral extents of the release
- ☐ Boring or excavation logs
- ☐ Photographs including date and GIS information
- ☐ Topographic/Aerial maps
- ☐ Laboratory data including chain of custody

If the site characterization report does not include completed efforts at remediation of the release, the report must include a proposed remediation plan. That plan must include the estimated volume of material to be remediated, the proposed remediation technique, proposed sampling plan and methods, anticipated timelines for beginning and completing the remediation. The closure criteria for a release are contained in Table 1 of 19.15.29.12 NMAC, however, use of the table is modified by site- and release-specific parameters.

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Signature: Laci Luig\_\_\_\_\_ Date: 7/6/2021\_\_\_\_\_

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## Closure

The responsible party must attach information demonstrating they have complied with all applicable closure requirements and any conditions or directives of the OCD. This demonstration should be in the form of a comprehensive report (electronic submittals in .pdf format are preferred) including a scaled site map, sampling diagrams, relevant field notes, photographs of any excavation prior to backfilling, laboratory data including chain of custody documents of final sampling, and a narrative of the remedial activities. Refer to 19.15.29.12 NMAC.

**Closure Report Attachment Checklist:** *Each of the following items must be included in the closure report.*

- ☐ A scaled site and sampling diagram as described in 19.15.29.11 NMAC
- ☐ Photographs of the remediated site prior to backfill or photos of the liner integrity if applicable (Note: appropriate OCD District office must be notified 2 days prior to liner inspection)
- ☐ Laboratory analyses of final sampling (Note: appropriate ODC District office must be notified 2 days prior to final sampling)
- ☐ Description of remediation activities

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Signature:  \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 7/6/2021 \_\_\_\_\_

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Closure approval by the OCD does not relieve the responsible party of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that poses a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health, or the environment nor does not relieve the responsible party of compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Closure Approved by:  \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 07/21/2021 \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: Chad Hensley \_\_\_\_\_ Title: Environmental Specialist Advanced \_\_\_\_\_

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**From:** [Laci Luig](#)  
**To:** [EMNRD OCD District1 Spills](#); [Cristina Eads, EMNRD](#); [Mike Bratcher, EMNRD](#); [Robert Hamlet, EMNRD](#); [Ryan Mann](#)  
**Cc:** [Gloria Garza](#); [Christian Carnott](#)  
**Subject:** Liner Inspection - Tres Equis State Battery  
**Date:** Monday, June 28, 2021 9:55:58 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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A liner inspection at the Tres Equis State 2H-6H Battery has been scheduled for Thursday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 am (MST)

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Coordinates: 32.25301, -103.61342

Thank you,

Laci Luig  
(432) 208-3035

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**From:** Laci Luig <lluig@cimarex.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 15, 2021 8:35 AM  
**To:** EMNRD OCD District1 Spills <emnrd-ocd-district1spills@state.nm.us>; Cristina Eads, EMNRD <cristina.eads@state.nm.us>; Mike Bratcher, EMNRD <mike.bratcher@state.nm.us>; Robert Hamlet, EMNRD <robert.hamlet@state.nm.us>; Ryan Mann <rmann@slo.state.nm.us>  
**Cc:** Gloria Garza <ggarza@cimarex.com>  
**Subject:** Cimarex Reportable Spill - Tres Equis State Battery

All,

We had a reportable spill at the Tres Equis State 2H-6H Battery. The cause of the spill was human error. The Pumper arrived on location and found a leak at the circulation pump. The pumps air bleed system was off, a ball valve was overlooked and left cracked open. A total of 150 barrels oil was released onto lined containment. A vacuum truck was called out and recovered all fluids and put back into the oil tank. The tank will be washed and a liner inspection notification will be scheduled.



A Notice of Release report will be submitted online.

**Laci Luig**  
**ESH Specialist**

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## \*\*\*\*\* LIQUID SPILLS - VOLUME CALCULATIONS \*\*\*\*\*

Location of spill: Tres Equis State 2H-6H

Date of Spill: 4/14/2021

If the leak/spill is associated with production equipment, i.e. - wellhead, stuffing box,  
flowline, tank battery, production vessel, transfer pump, or storage tank place an "X" here: ☐

## Input Data:

If spill volumes from measurement, i.e. metering, tank volumes, etc. are known enter the volumes here: OIL: 0.0000 BBL WATER: 0.0000 BBL

If "known" spill volumes are given, input data for the following "Area Calculations" is optional. The above will override the calculated volumes.

Total Area Calculations					Standing Liquid Calculations				
Total Surface Area	width	length	wet soil depth	oil (%)	Standing Liquid Area	width	length	liquid depth	oil (%)
Rectangle Area #1	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%	Rectangle Area #1	50 ft X	138 ft X	0.75 in	100%
Rectangle Area #2	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%	Rectangle Area #2	53 ft X	122 ft X	0.75 in	100%
Rectangle Area #3	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%	Rectangle Area #3	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%
Rectangle Area #4	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%	Rectangle Area #4	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%
Rectangle Area #5	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%	Rectangle Area #5	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%
Rectangle Area #6	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%	Rectangle Area #6	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%
Rectangle Area #7	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%	Rectangle Area #7	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%
Rectangle Area #8	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%	Rectangle Area #8	0 ft X	0 ft X	0.00 in	0%

## ERROR - Standing Liquid Area larger than Total Area, Review Data Input

## Production Data NOT Required

Average Daily Production: Oil

0 BBL

Water

0 BBL

Did leak occur before the separator?: ☐ YES ☐ N/A (place an "X")Amount of Free Liquid  
Recovered:

0 BBL

okay

Percentage of Oil in Free Liquid  
Recovered:

0% (percentage)

Liquid holding factor \*: 0.16 gal per gal

Use the following when the spill wets the grains of the soil.

\* sand = .08 gallon liquid per gallon volume of soil.

\* gravelly (caliche) loam = .14 gallon liquid per gallon volume of soil.

\* sandy clay loam soil = .14 gallon liquid per gallon volume of soil.

\* clay loam = .16 gallon liquid per gallon volume of soil.

Use the following when the liquid completely fills the pore space of the soil:

Occurs when the spill soaked soil is contained by barriers, natural (or not).

\* gravelly (caliche) loam = .25 gallon liquid per gallon volume of soil.

\* sandy loam = .5 gallon liquid per gallon volume of soil.

## Saturated Soil Volume Calculations:

Total Solid/Liquid Volume: sq. ft. H<sub>2</sub>O cu. ft. OIL cu. ft.

## Estimated Volumes Spilled

Liquid in Soil: 0.0 BBL 0.0 BBL  
Free Liquid: 0.0 BBL 148.8 BBL  
Totals: 0.000 BBL 148.776 BBL

Total Liquid Spill Liquid: 0.000 BBL 148.776 BBL

## Recovered Volumes

Estimated oil recovered: 0.0 BBL check - okay  
Estimated water recovered: 0.0 BBL check - okay

## Free Liquid Volume Calculations:

Total Free Liquid Volume: 13,366 sq. ft. H<sub>2</sub>O .000 cu. ft. OIL 835.375 cu. ft.

## Estimated Production Volumes Lost

Estimated Production Spilled: 0.000000 BBL 0.000000 BBL

## Estimated Surface Damage

Surface Area: 13,366 sq. ft.  
Surface Area: .3068 acre

## Estimated Weights, and Volumes

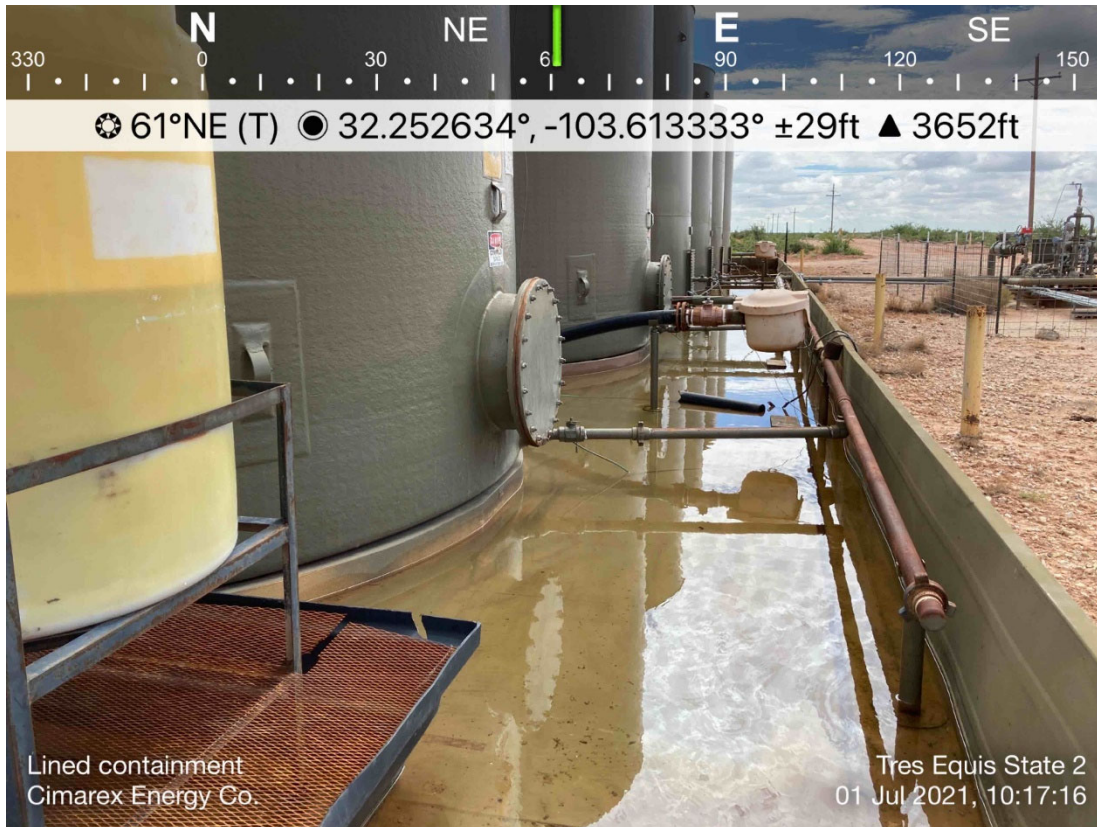
Saturated Soil = lbs cu. ft. cu. yds.  
Total Liquid = 149 BBL 6,248.61 gallon 51,988 lbs





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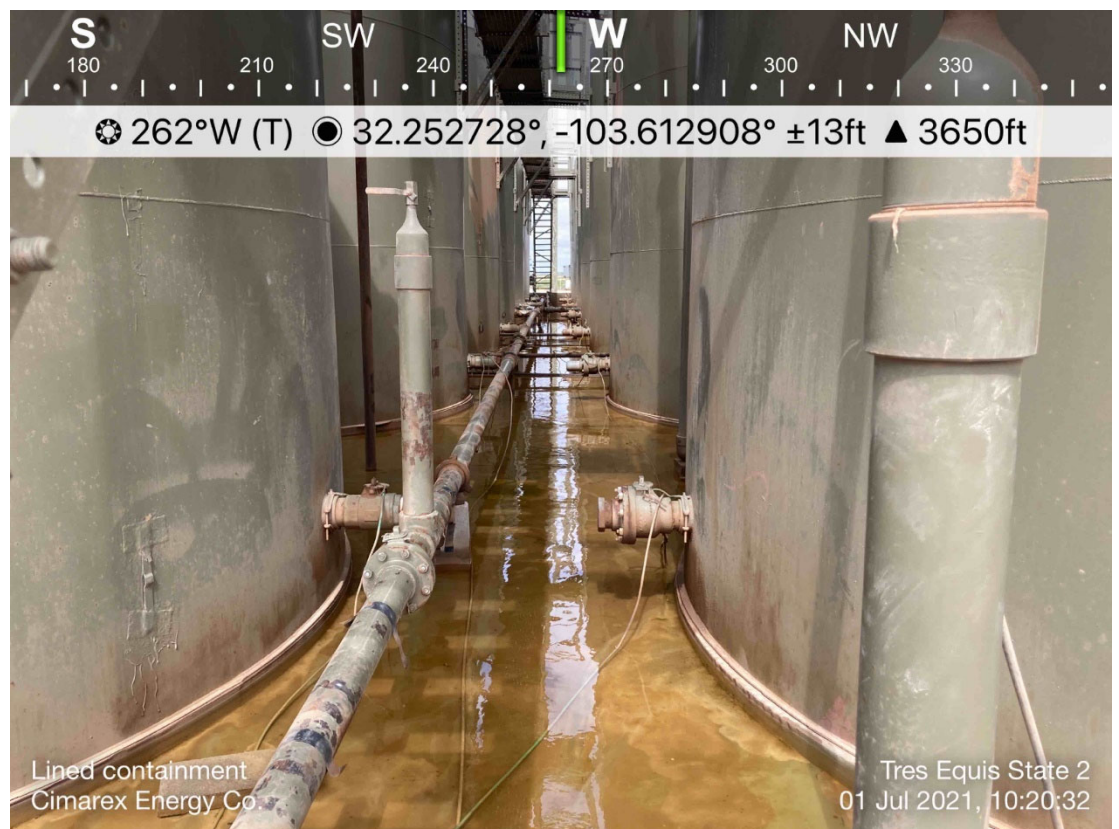




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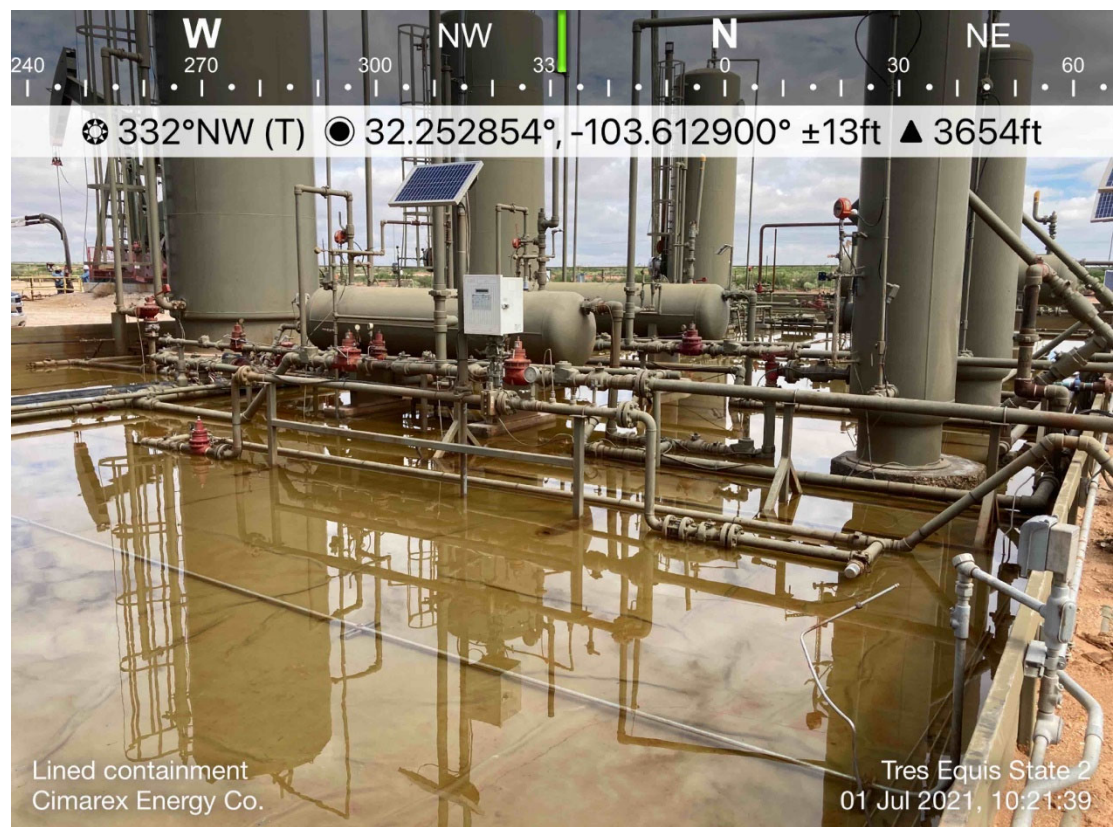




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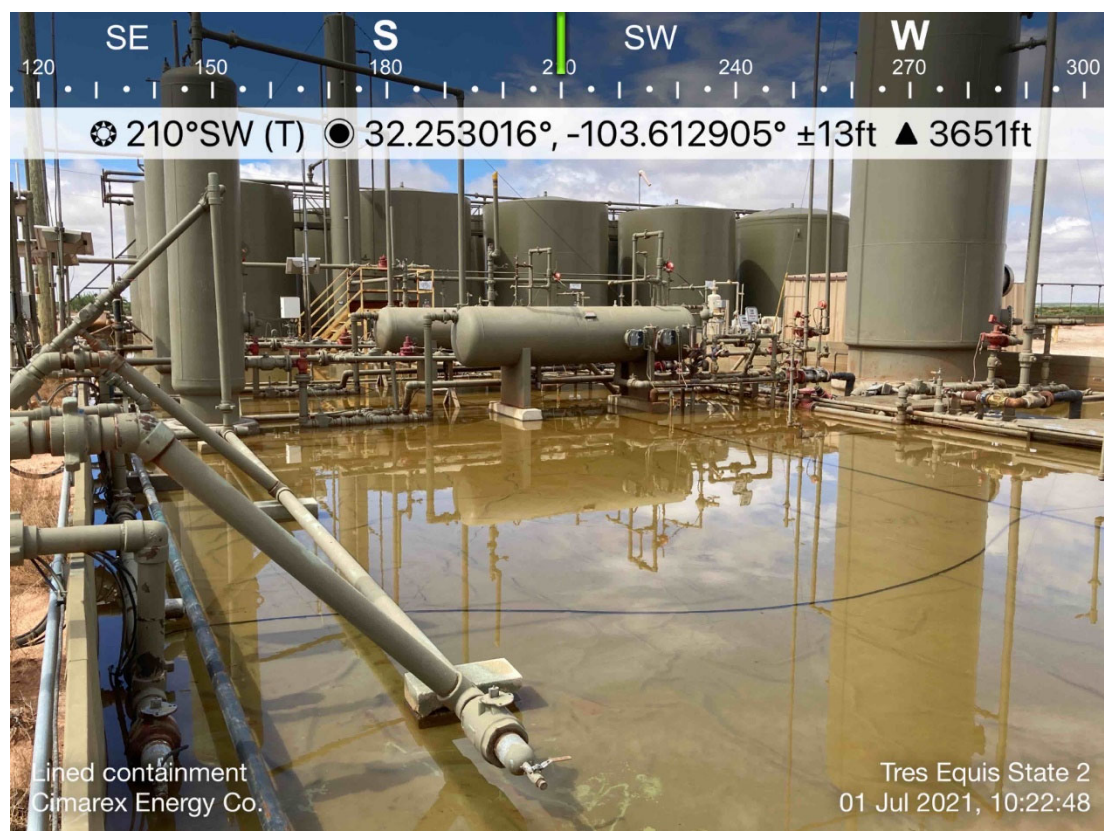
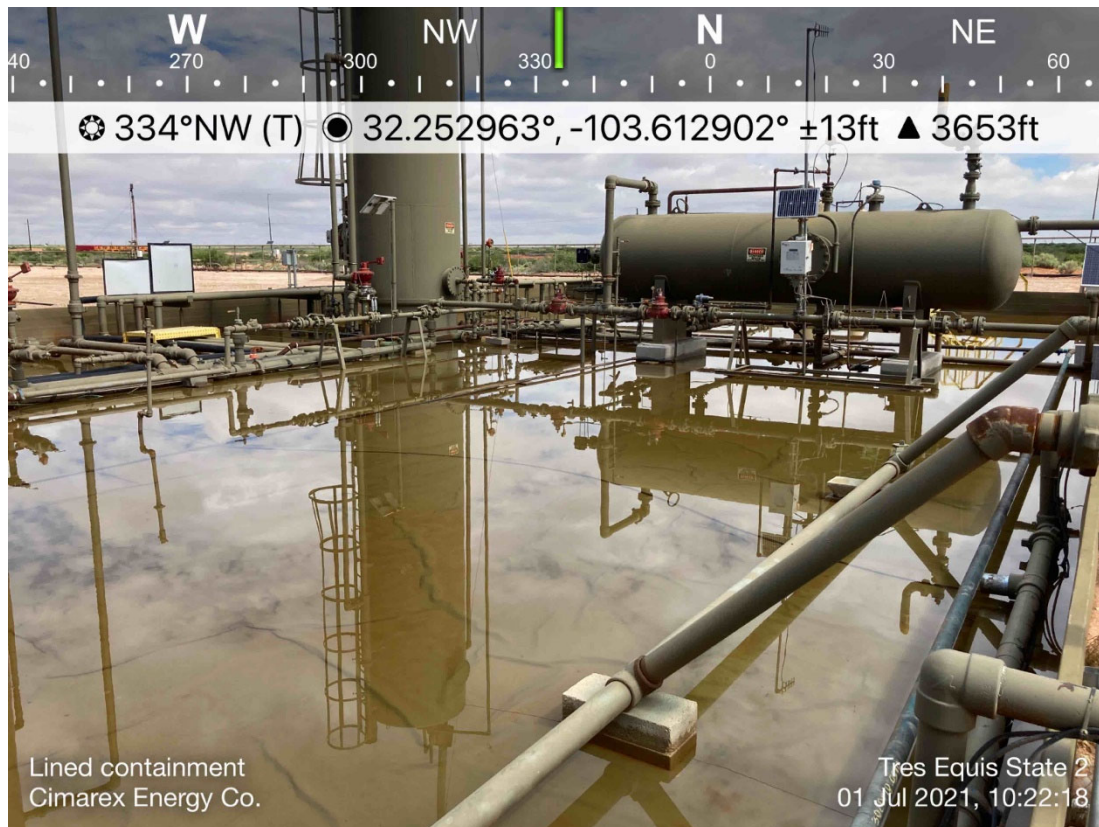




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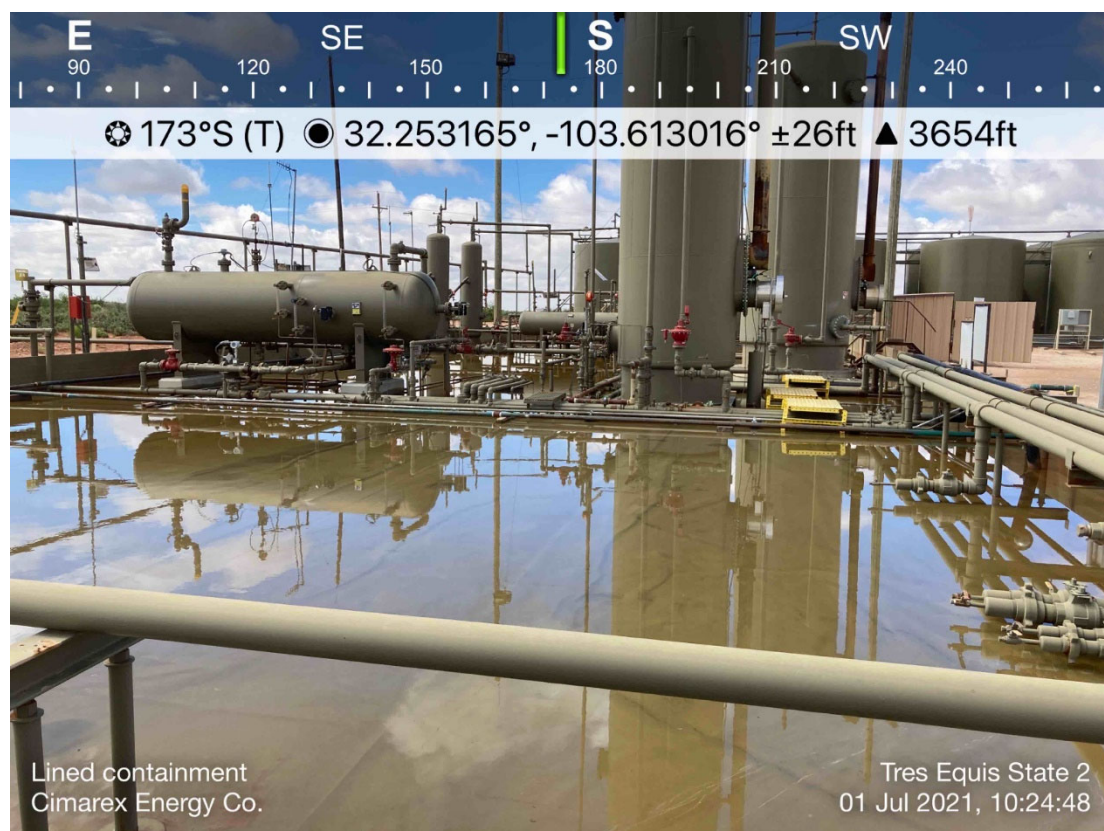
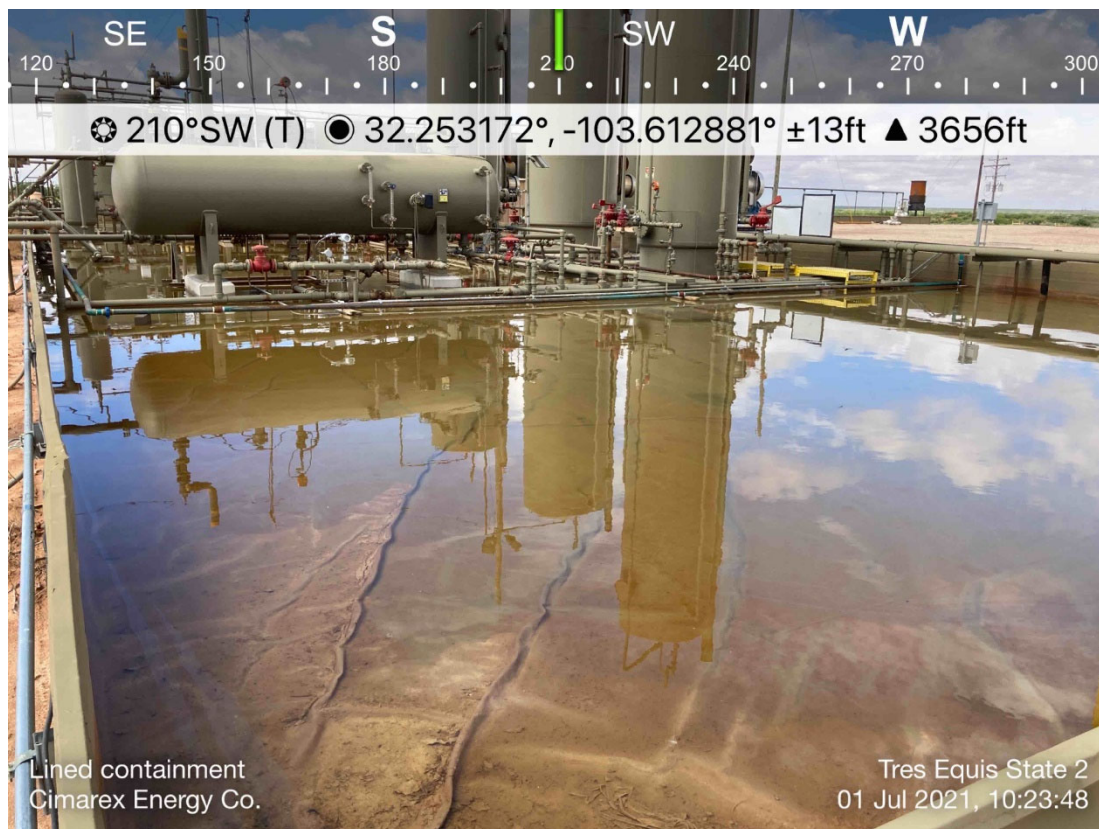




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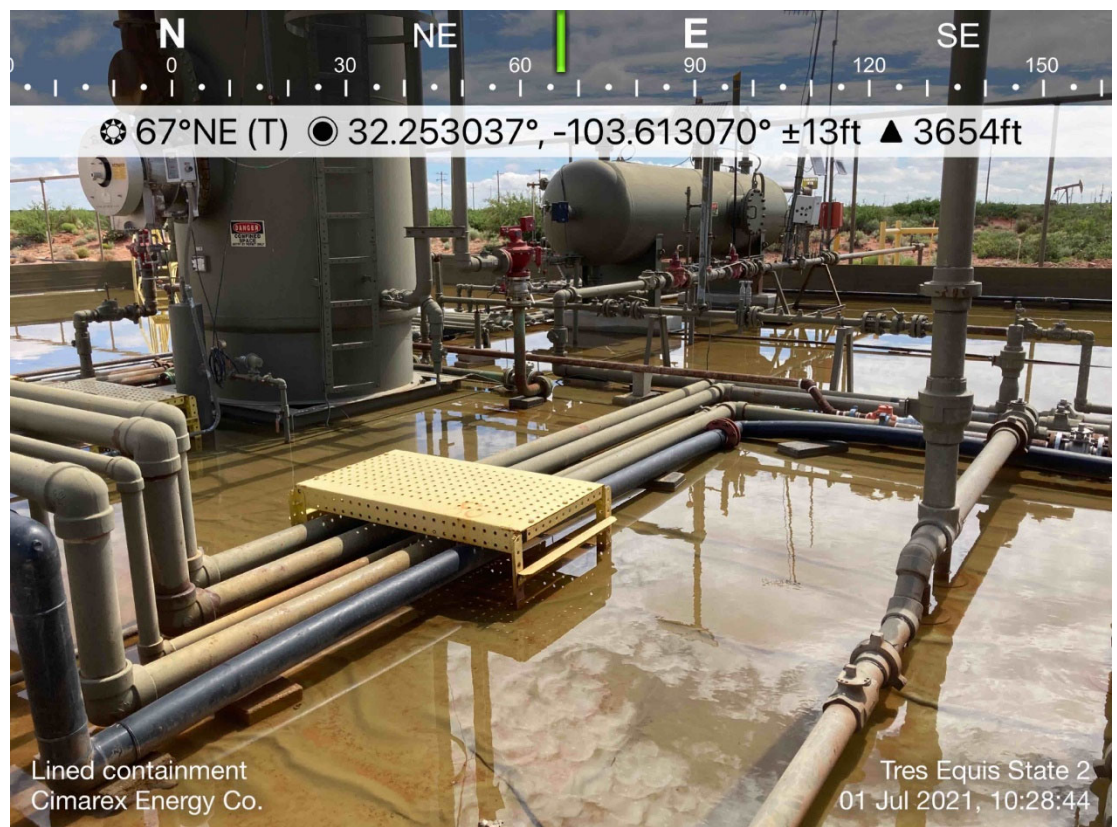




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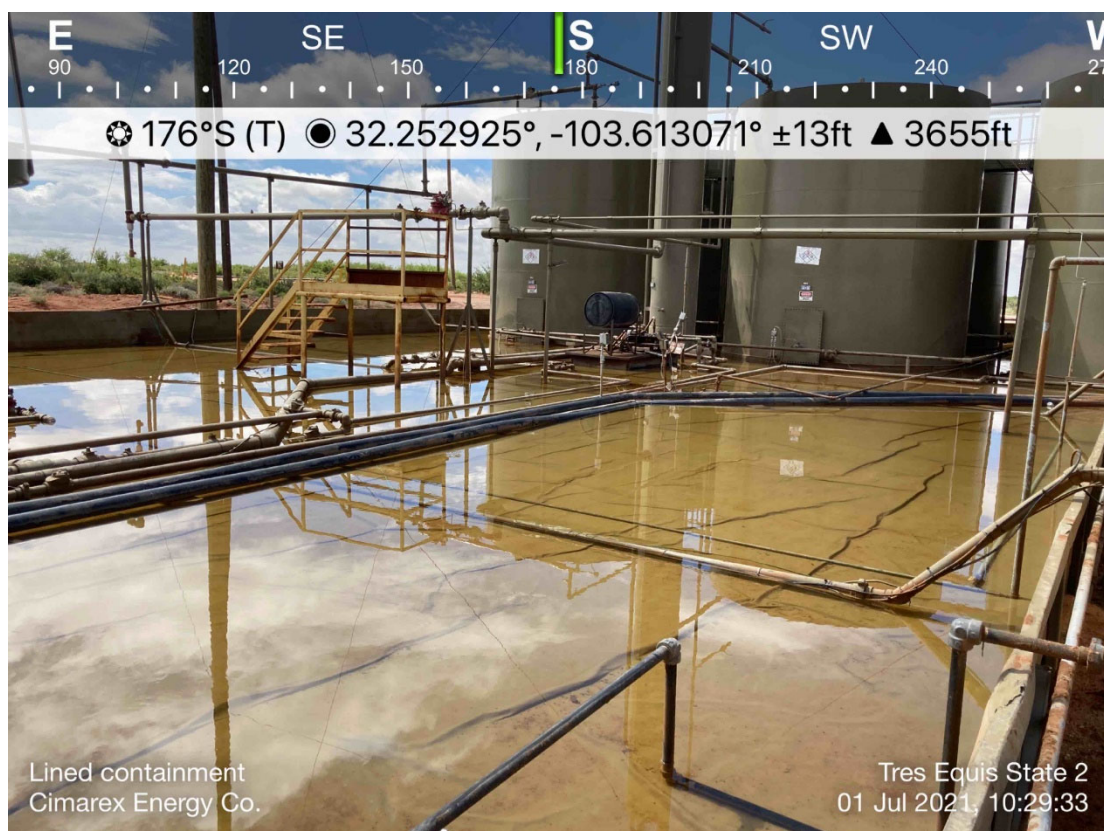
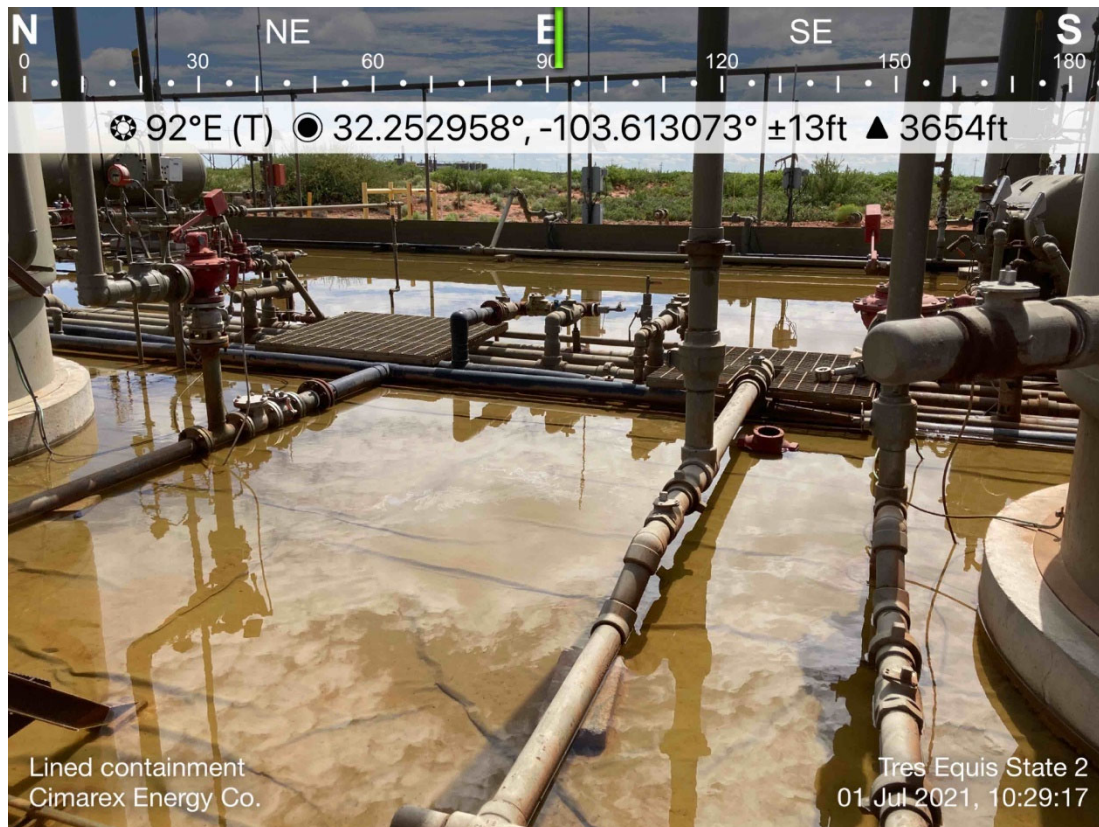




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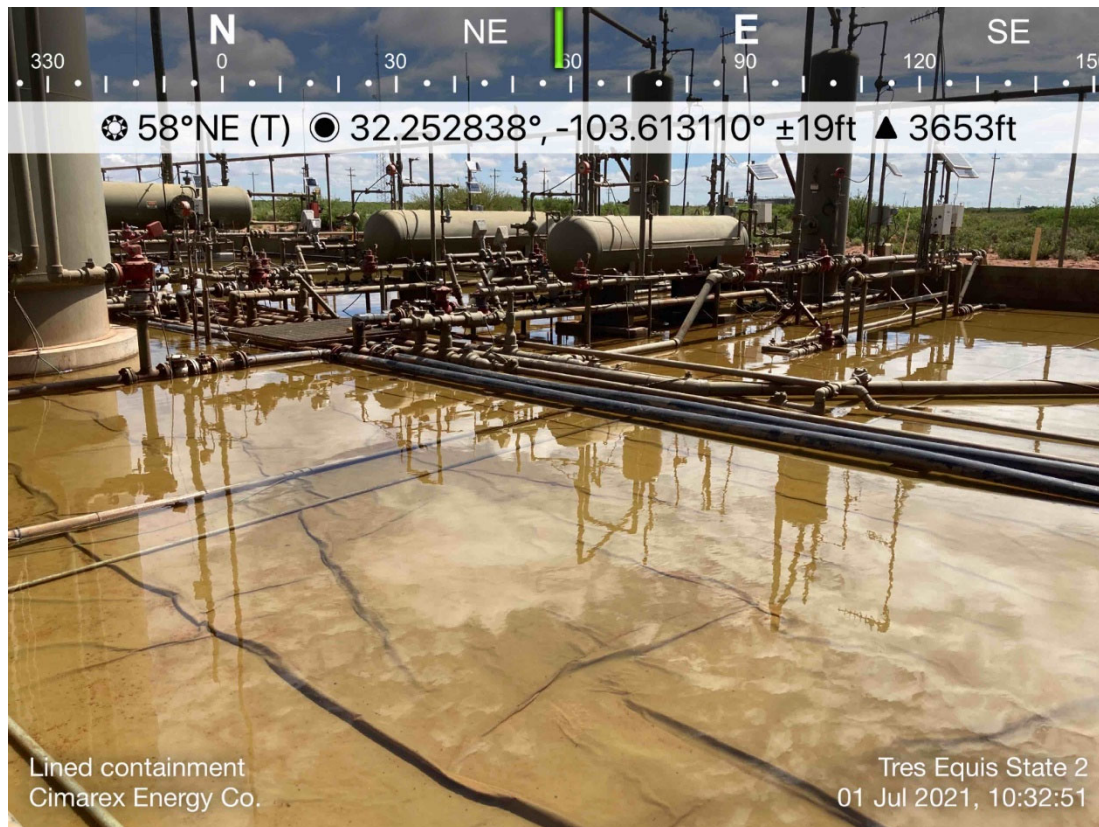




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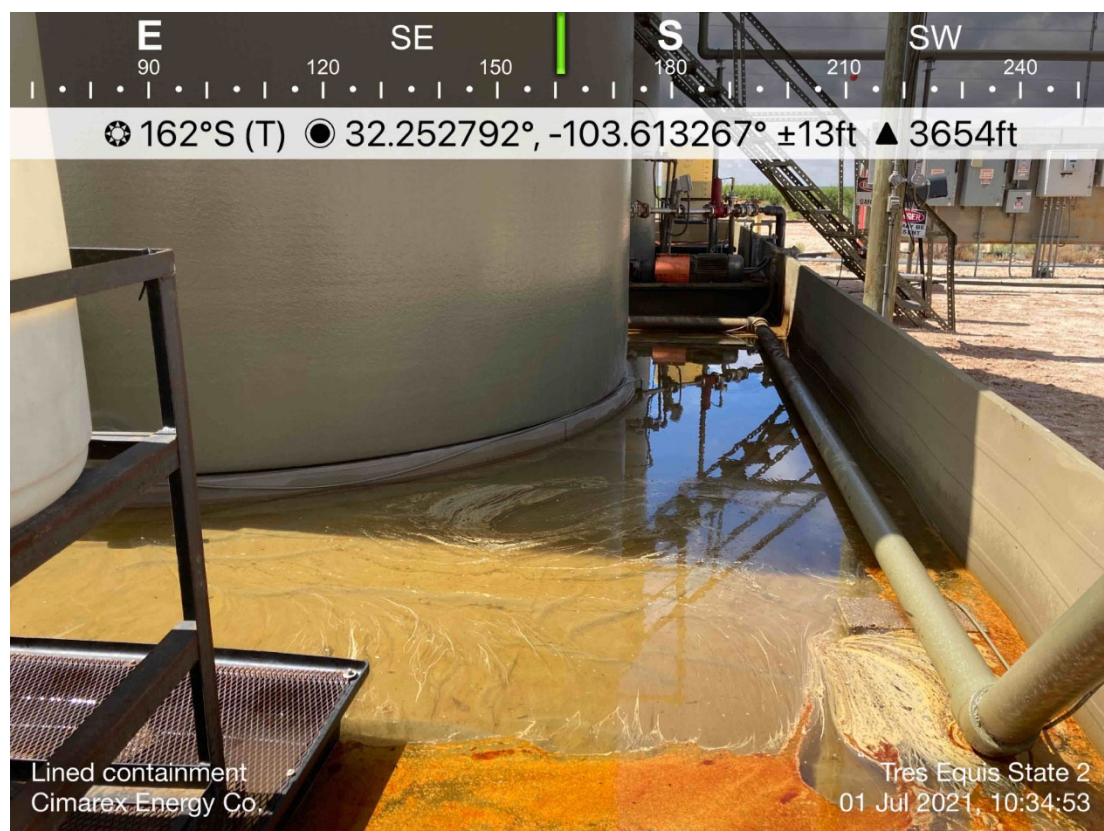




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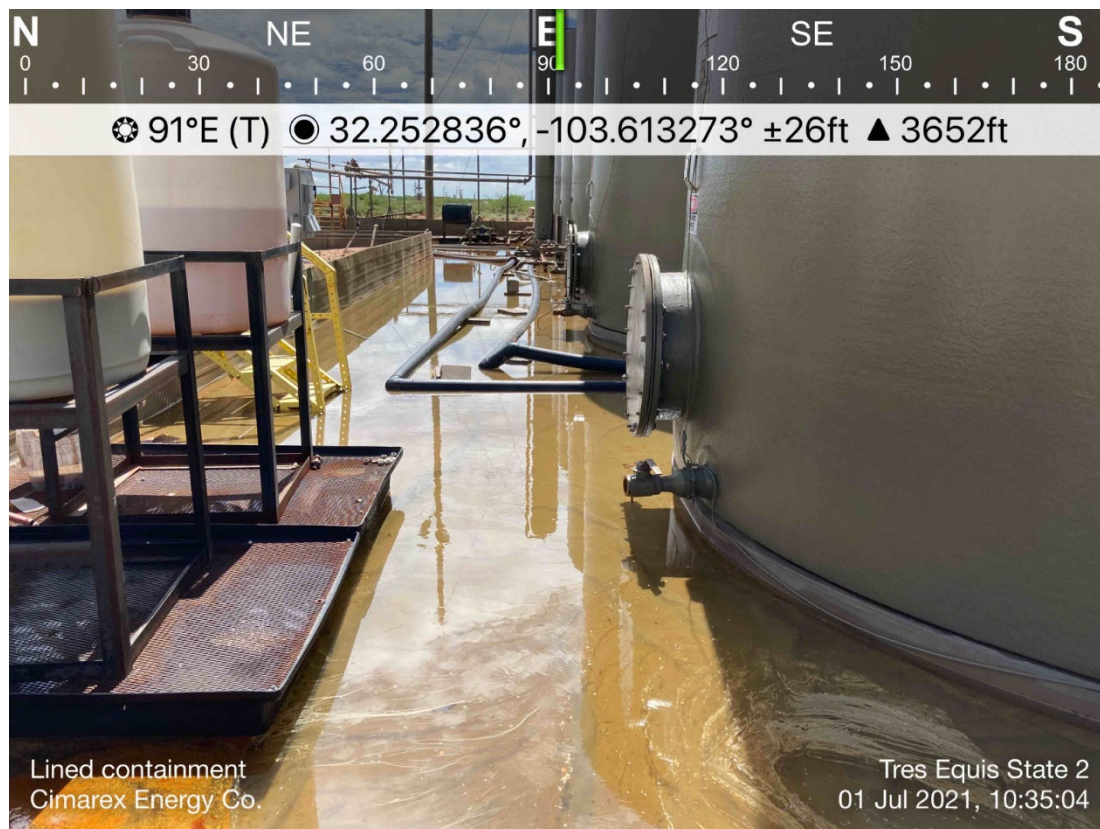




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Action 35050

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Operator: CIMAREX ENERGY CO. 600 N. Marienfeld Street Midland, TX 79701	OGRID: 215099
	Action Number: 35050
	Action Type: [C-141] Release Corrective Action (C-141)

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Created By	Condition	Condition Date
chensley	None	7/21/2021