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August 6, 2020

SMA #5E29133, BG59

NMOCD District 1  
1625 N. French Drive  
Hobbs, New Mexico 88240

**RE: LINER INSPECTION REPORT  
FLAGLER 8 CENTRAL TANK BATTERY 1**

To Whom it May Concern:

Souder, Miller & Associates (SMA) is pleased to submit this letter report on behalf of Devon Energy Production Company (Devon) summarizing the liner inspection that occurred due to the Flagler 8 CTB 1 release. The site is located in Unit Letter M Section 8, T25S, R33E (N32.140865/W-103.601115) Lea County, New Mexico, on BLM land.

**Site Characterization**

On July 18, 2020, a ½-inch valve on a water transfer line was discovered with a crack in it at Flagler 8 Central Tank Battery 1 Facility, causing fluid to be released onto the lined secondary containment. This resulted in the release of 63 bbls of produced water inside the lined secondary containment of the tank battery. Initial response activities were conducted by the operator and included source elimination and site stabilization, which recovered approximately 63 bbls of produced water.

Based upon New Mexico Office of the State Engineer (NMOSE) depth to groundwater in the area is estimated to be 90 feet below grade surface (bgs). There are no water sources within ½-mile of the location, according to the NMOSE and USGS water well databases ([https://gis.ose.state.nm.us/gisapps/ose\\_pod\\_locations/](https://gis.ose.state.nm.us/gisapps/ose_pod_locations/); accessed July 29, 2020; Appendix C). The nearest significant watercourse is an unnamed intermittent stream, located approximately 10,603 feet to the east/northeast. Figures 1 and 2 show the release location and surrounding hydrologic features. Figure 3 shows the location of the facility and the release.

Based on the information presented herein, the applicable NMOCD Closure Criteria for this site is for a groundwater depth of 51-100 feet bgs.

**Liner Integrity**

At the request of Devon, SMA conducted a liner integrity inspection per the requirements of 19.15.29.11.A(5)(a) NMAC. NMOCD was notified on July 27, 2020 that the liner inspection was to occur. After a thorough visual inspection of the liner within the tank battery containment, the liner appeared to be intact and had the ability to contain the leak in question and will continue to do so. The valve from which the release occurred was identified, and SMA verified that the release did not occur outside of the lined containment. A photo log and field notes of the inspection is included in Appendix A.

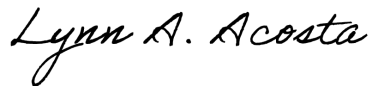
SMA recommends no further action for this release.

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Souder, Miller and Associates appreciates the opportunity to provide environmental services to you. If you have any questions or comments concerning this report, please feel free to call Lynn A. Acosta at 505-516-7469.

Sincerely,  
Souder, Miller & Associates



Lynn A. Acosta  
Staff Geoscientist



Shawna Chubbuck  
Senior Scientist

## Attachments

### Figures

Figure 1: Site Map

Figure 2: Surface Water Protection Map

Figure 3: Site and Sample Location Map

### Appendices

Appendix A: Photo Log & Field Notes

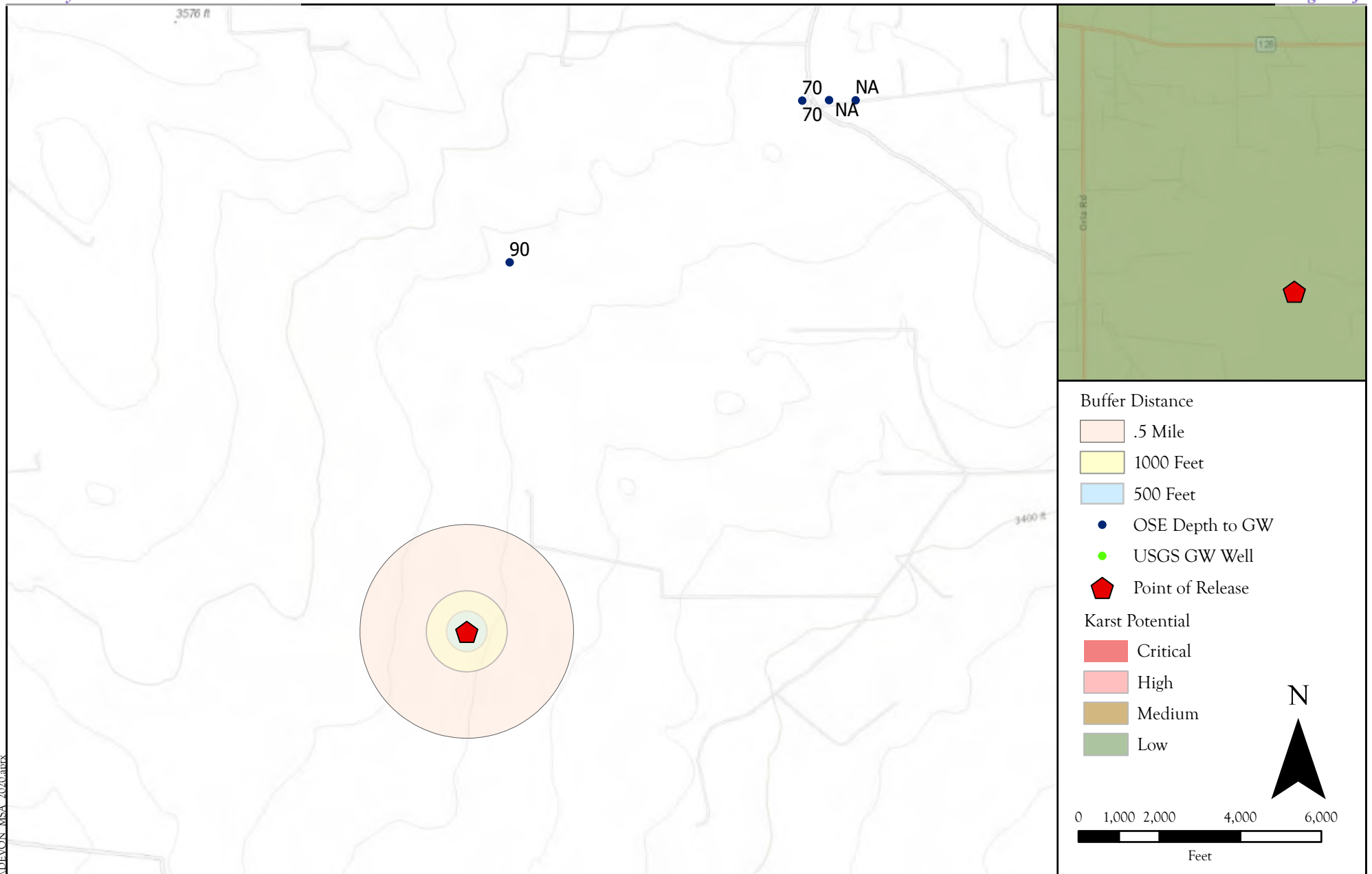
Appendix B: C141

Appendix C: Water Well Data

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## FIGURES



## Site Map

Flagler 8 CTB 1 - Devon Energy Production Company  
 UL: M S: 8 T: 25S R: 33E, Lea County, New Mexico

Figure 1

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Surface Water Protection Map  
 Flagler 8 CTB 1- Devon Energy Production Company  
 UL: M S: 8 T: 25S R: 33E Lea County, New Mexico

Figure 2

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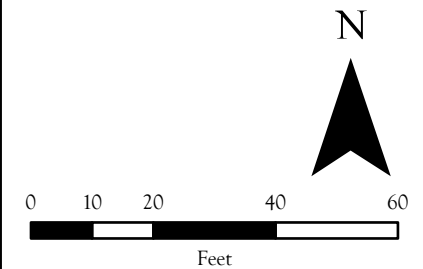


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## Legend

- Containment Barrier
- ⬠ Point of Release



Site and Sample Location Map  
 Flagler 8 CTB 1 - Devon Energy Production Company  
 UL: M S: 8 T: 25S R: 33E Lea County, New Mexico

Figure 3

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**Appendix A**  
**PHOTO LOG & FIELD NOTES**

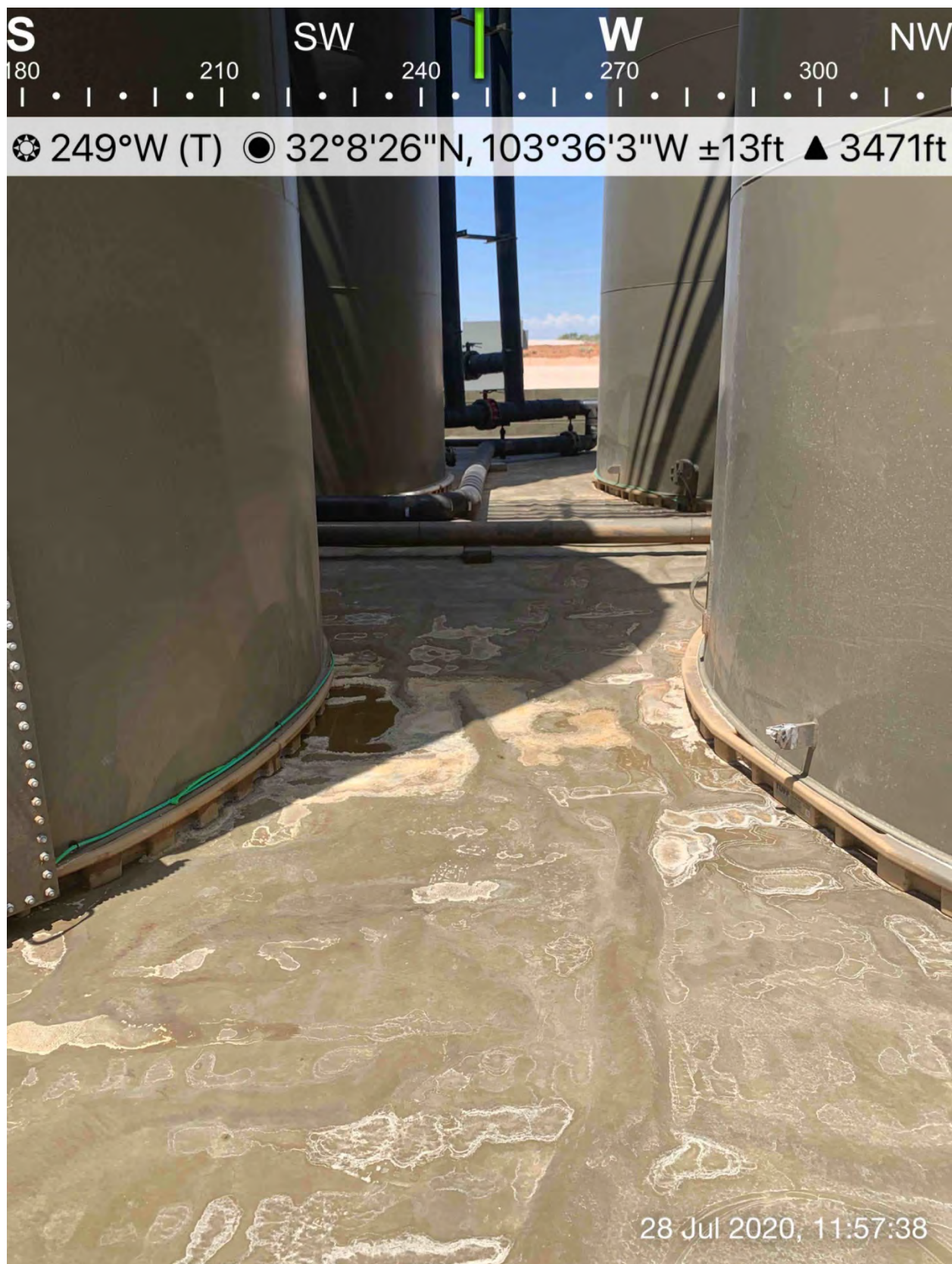




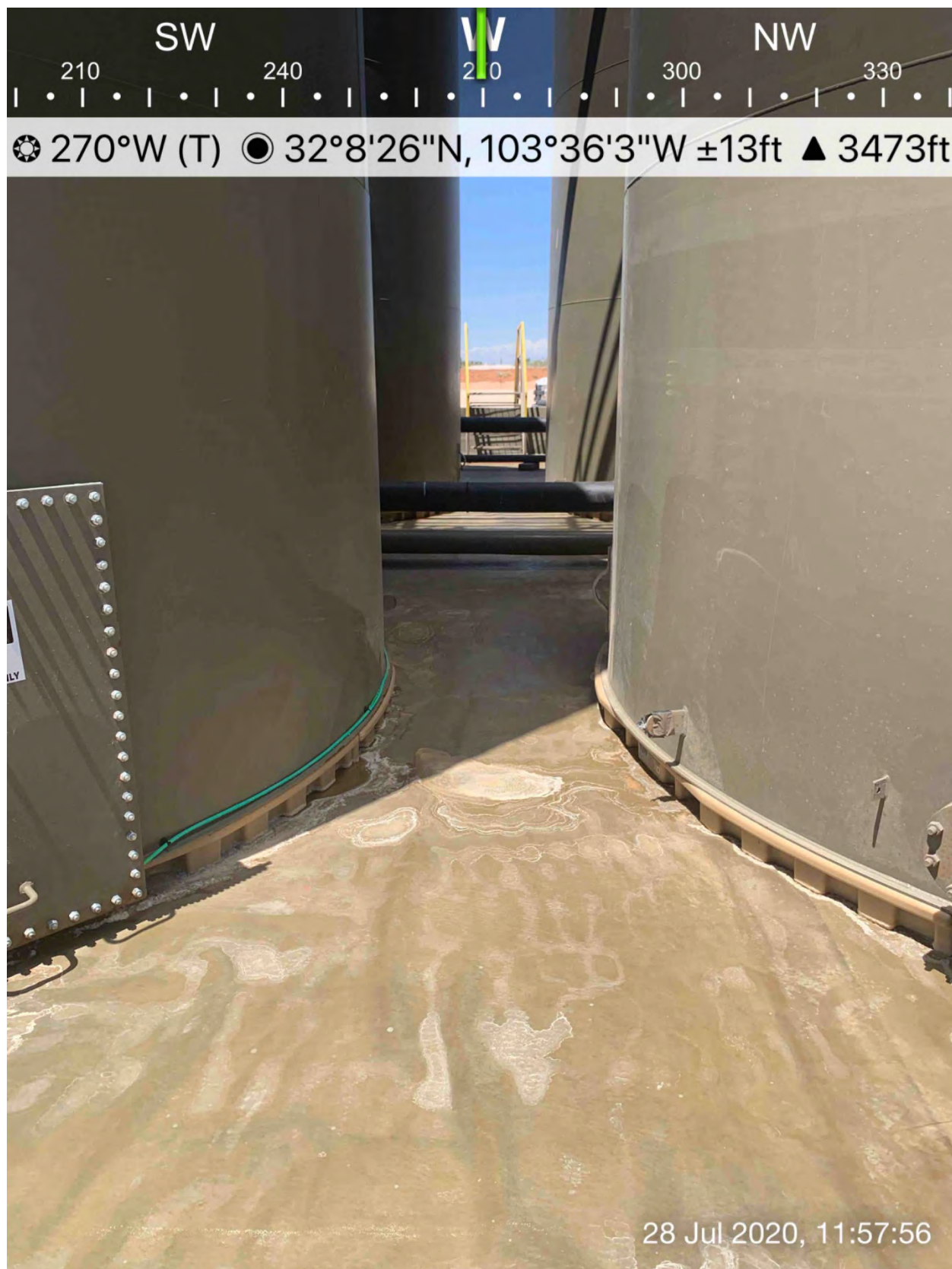


















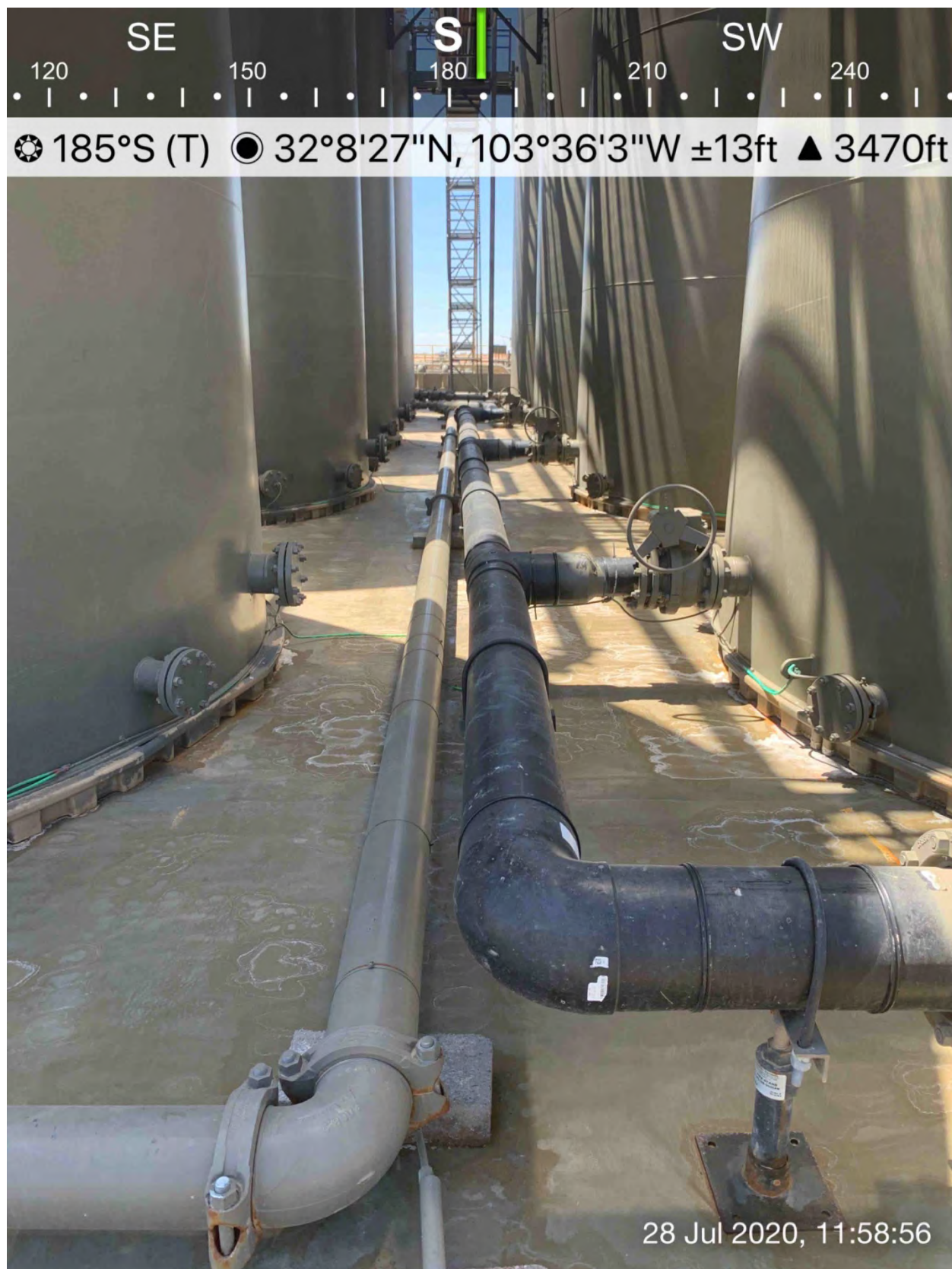








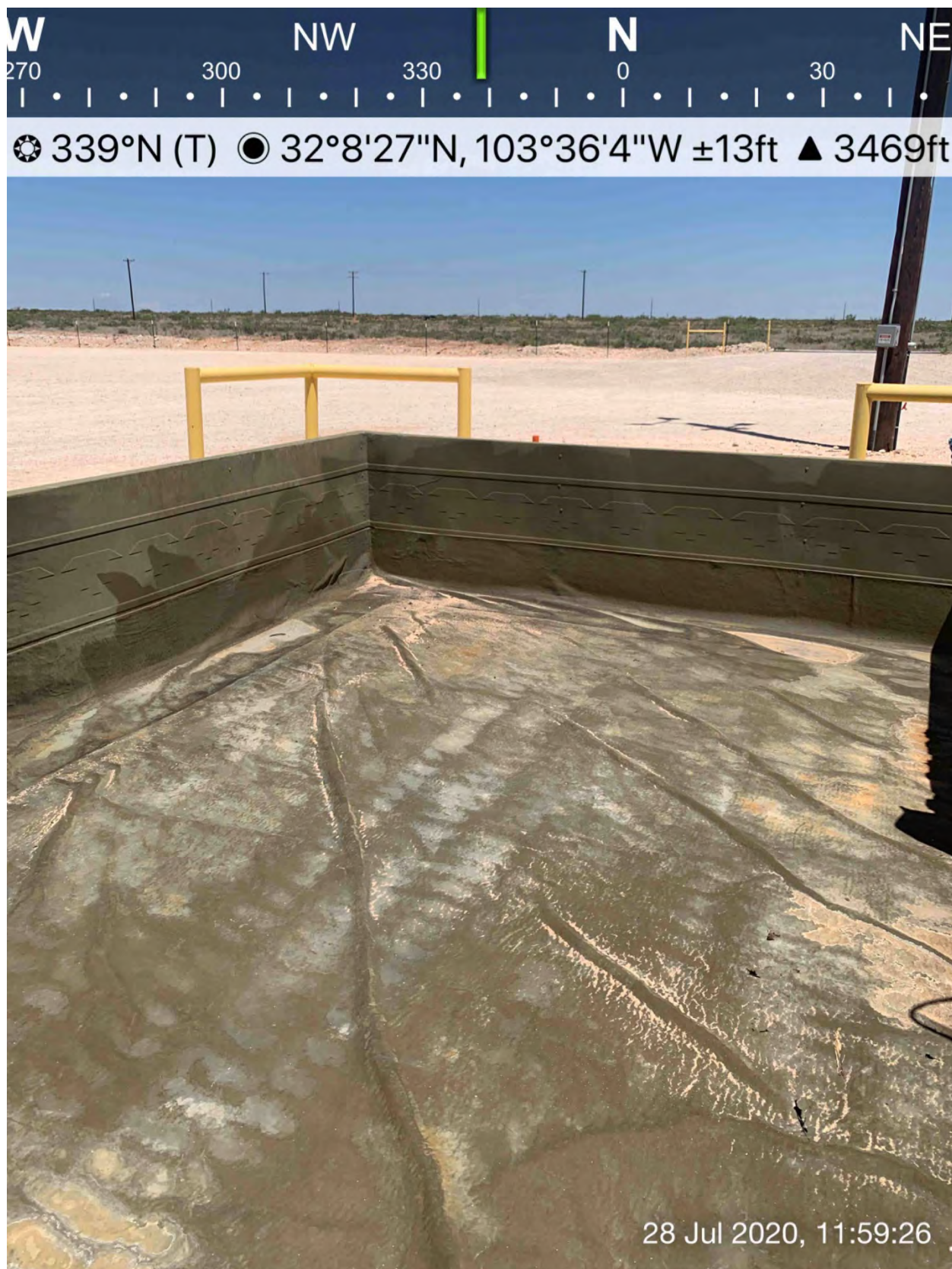




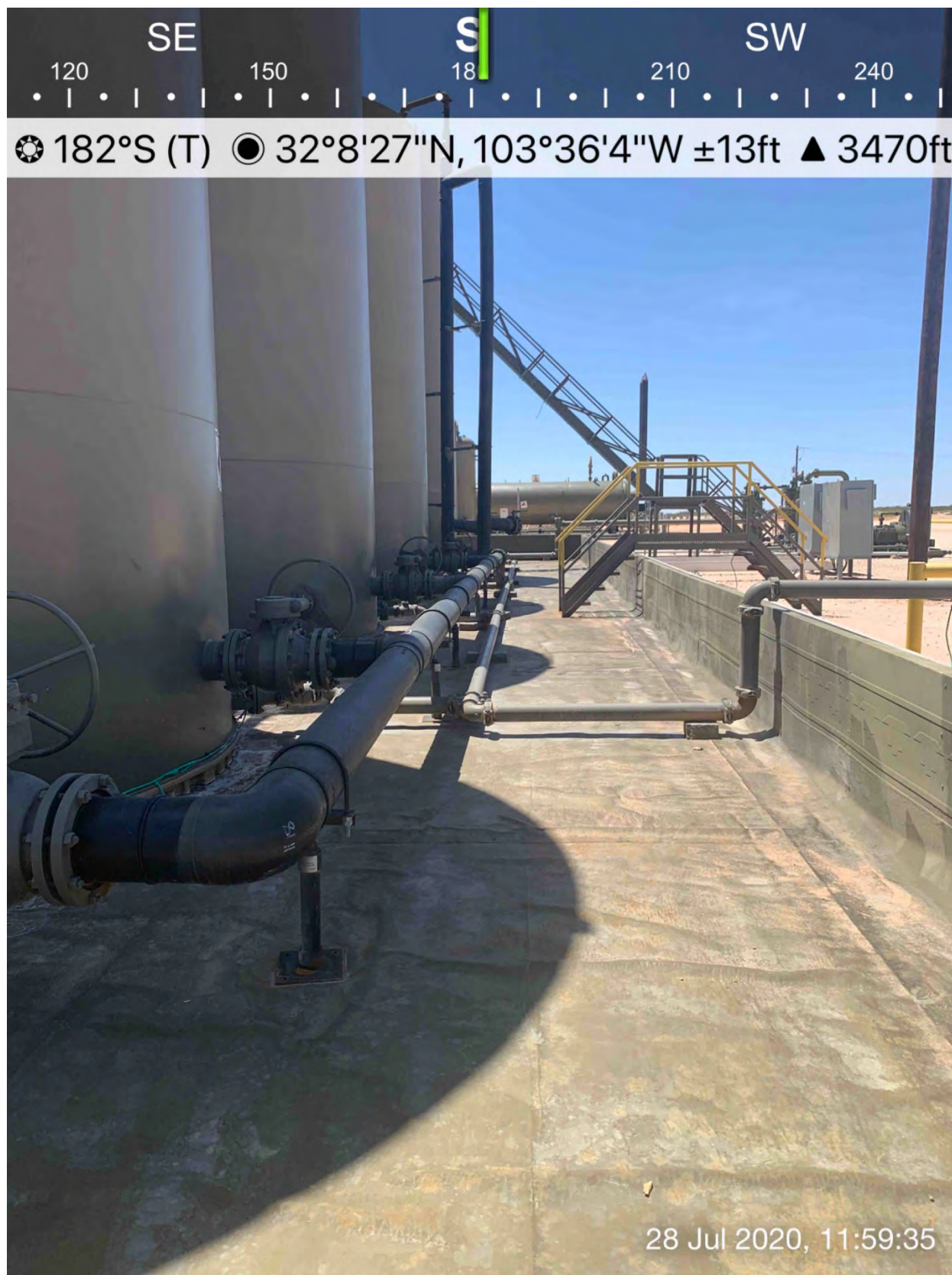








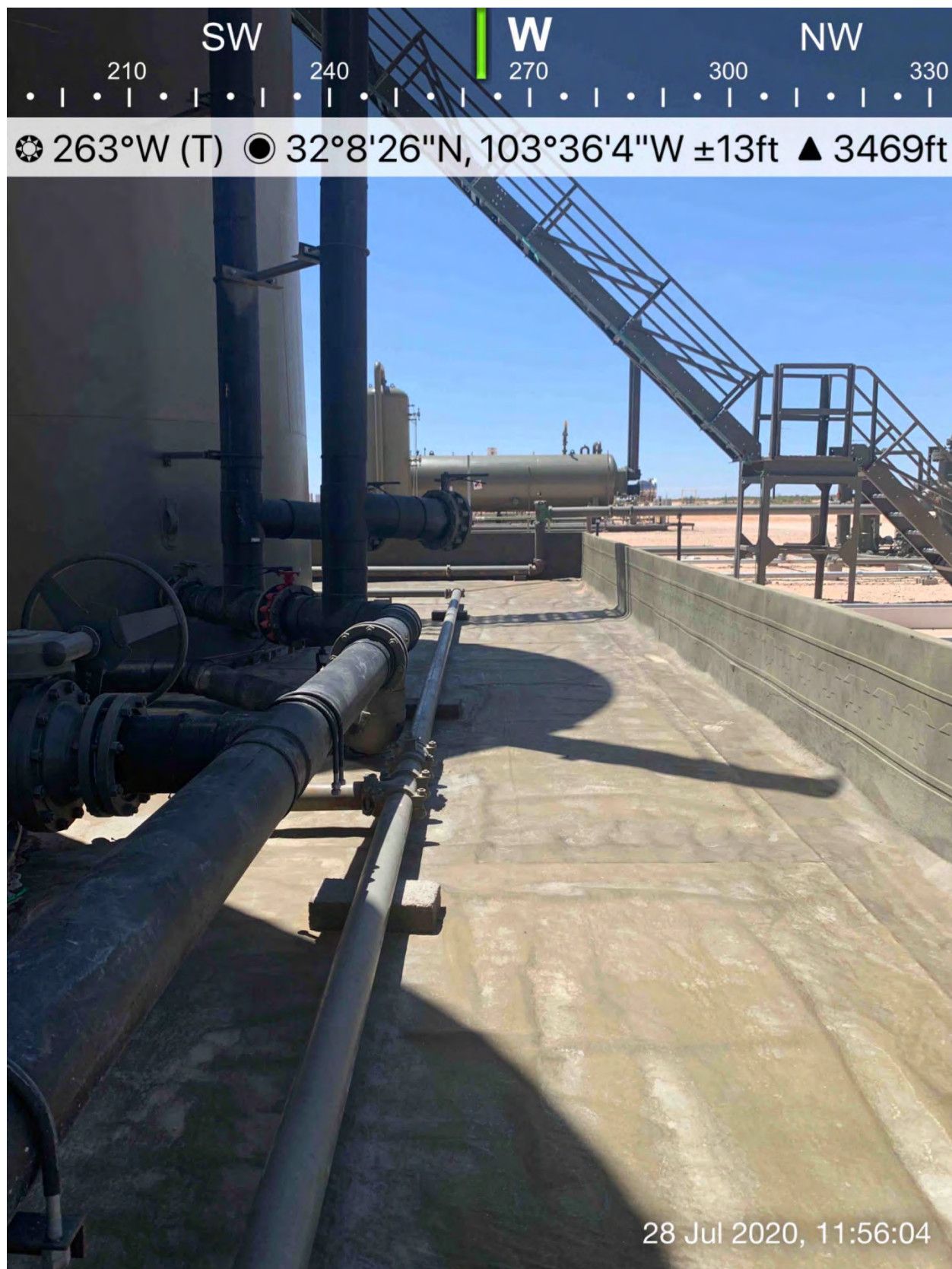


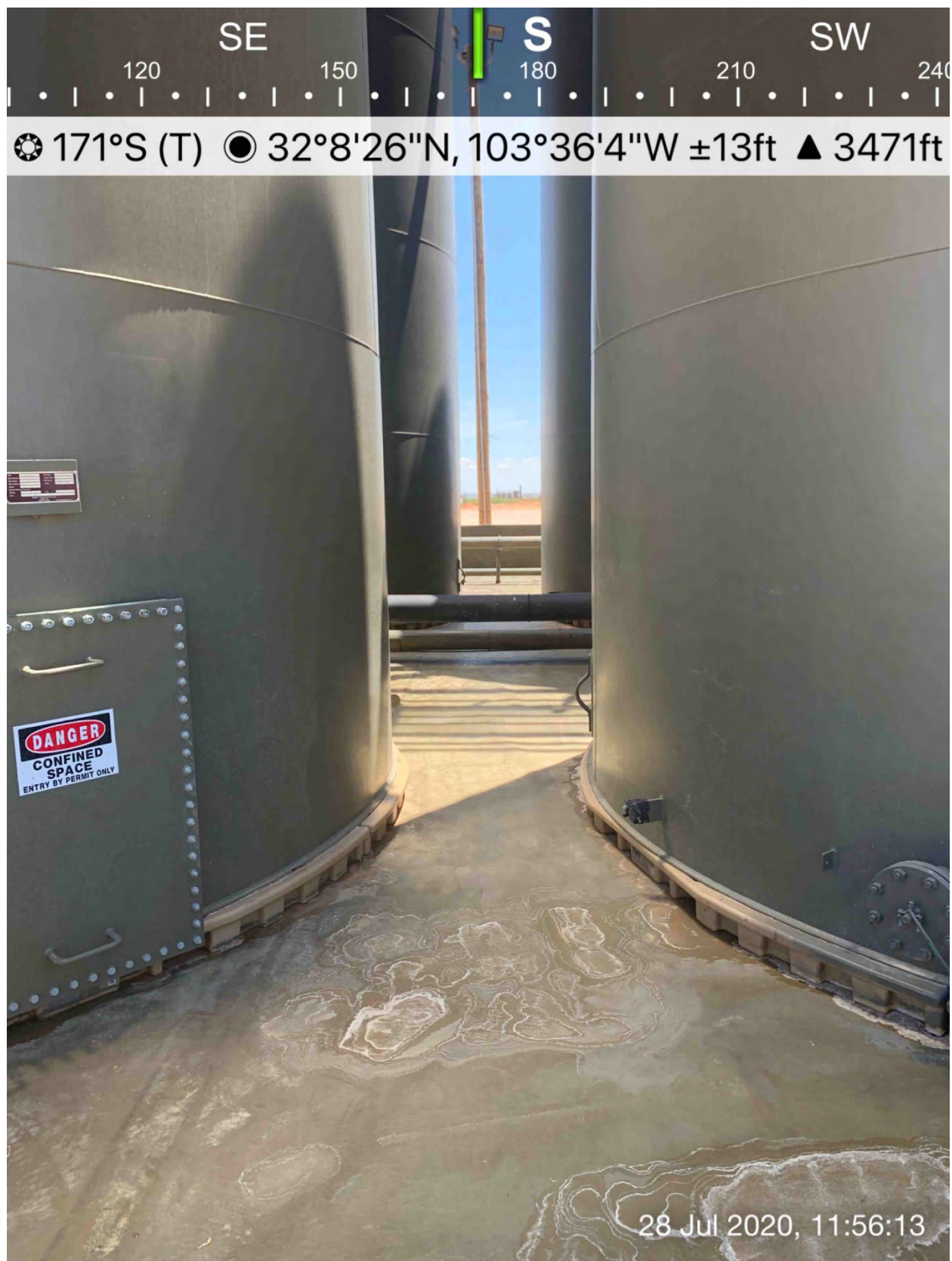




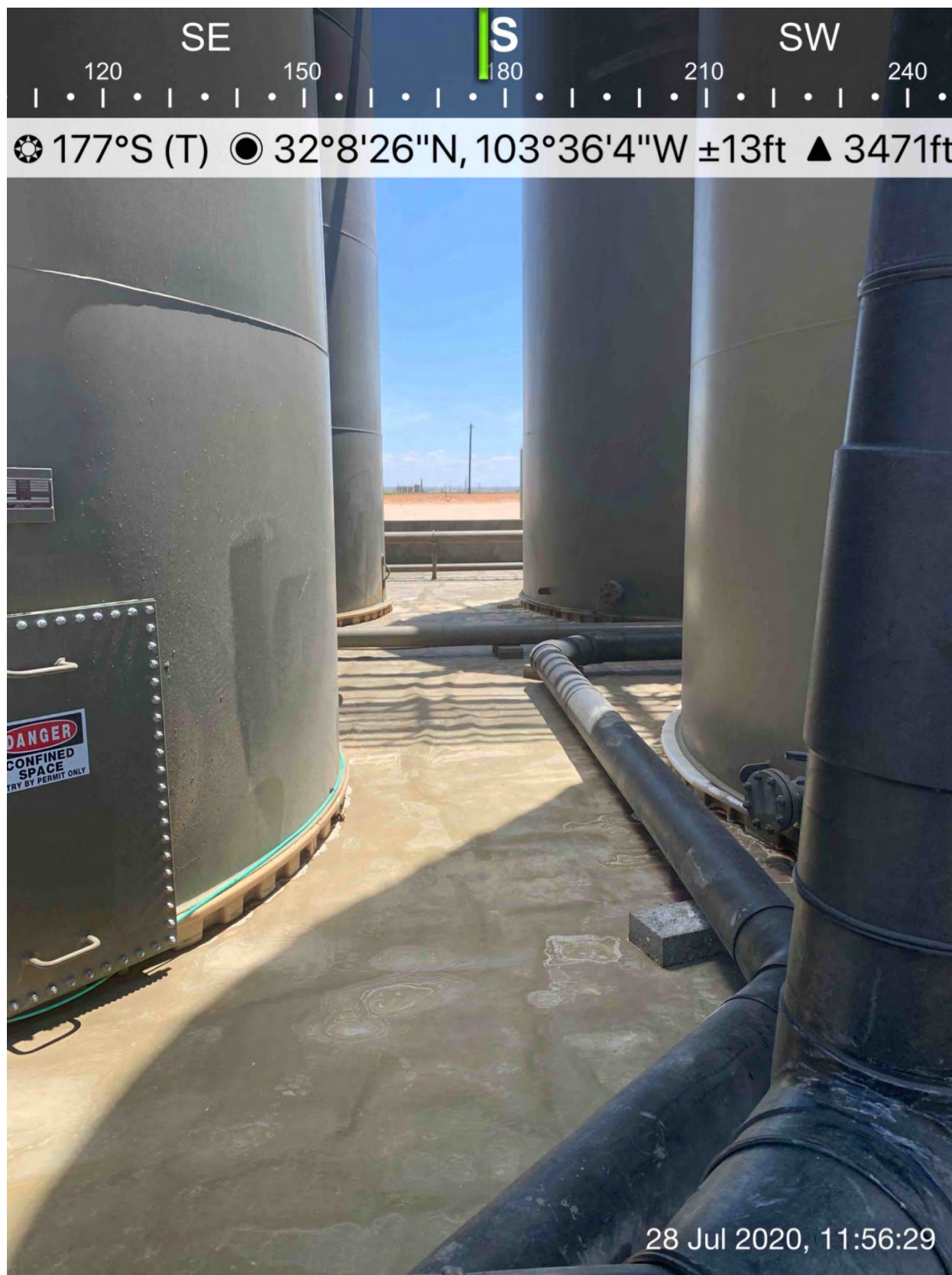




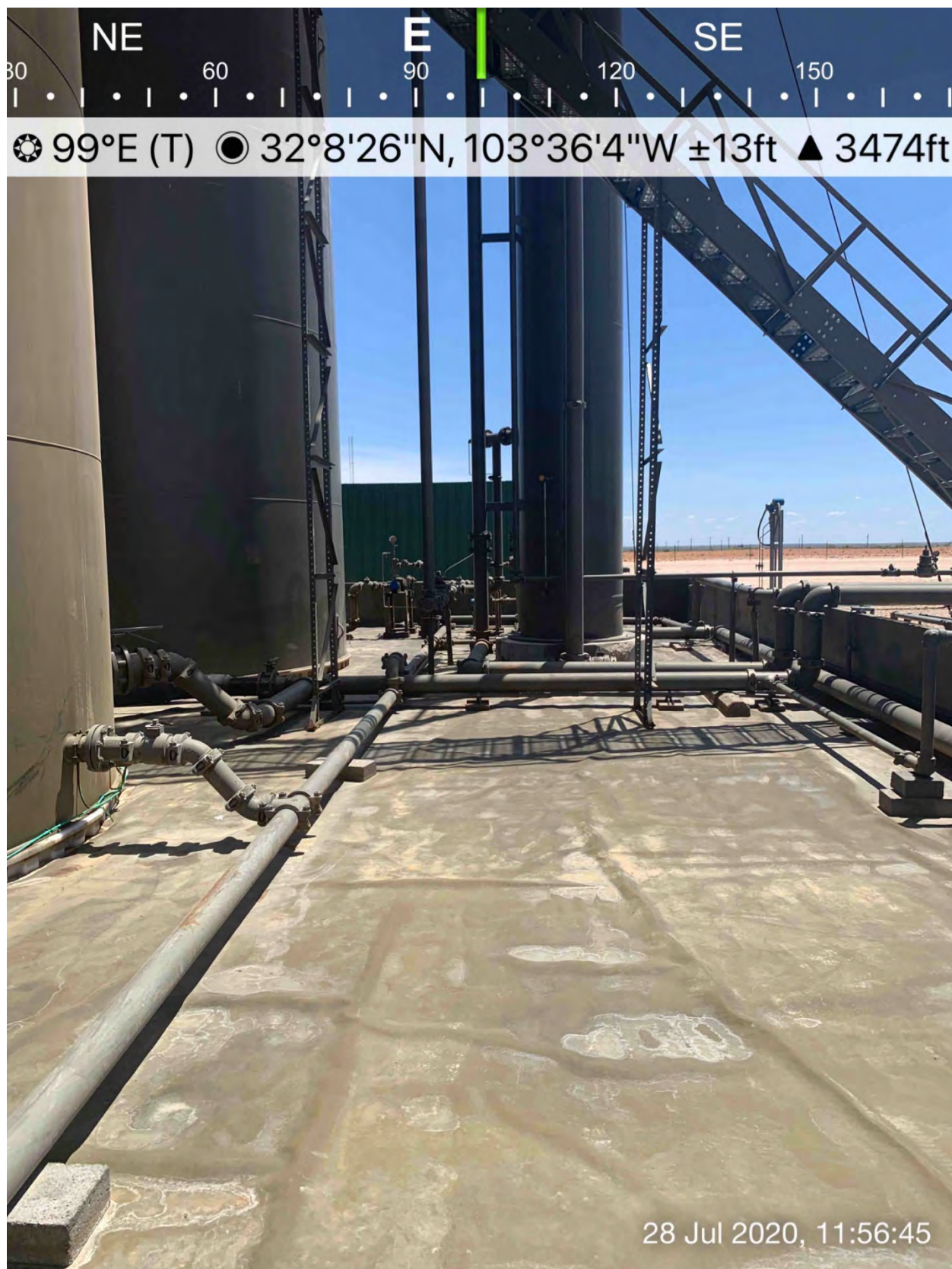




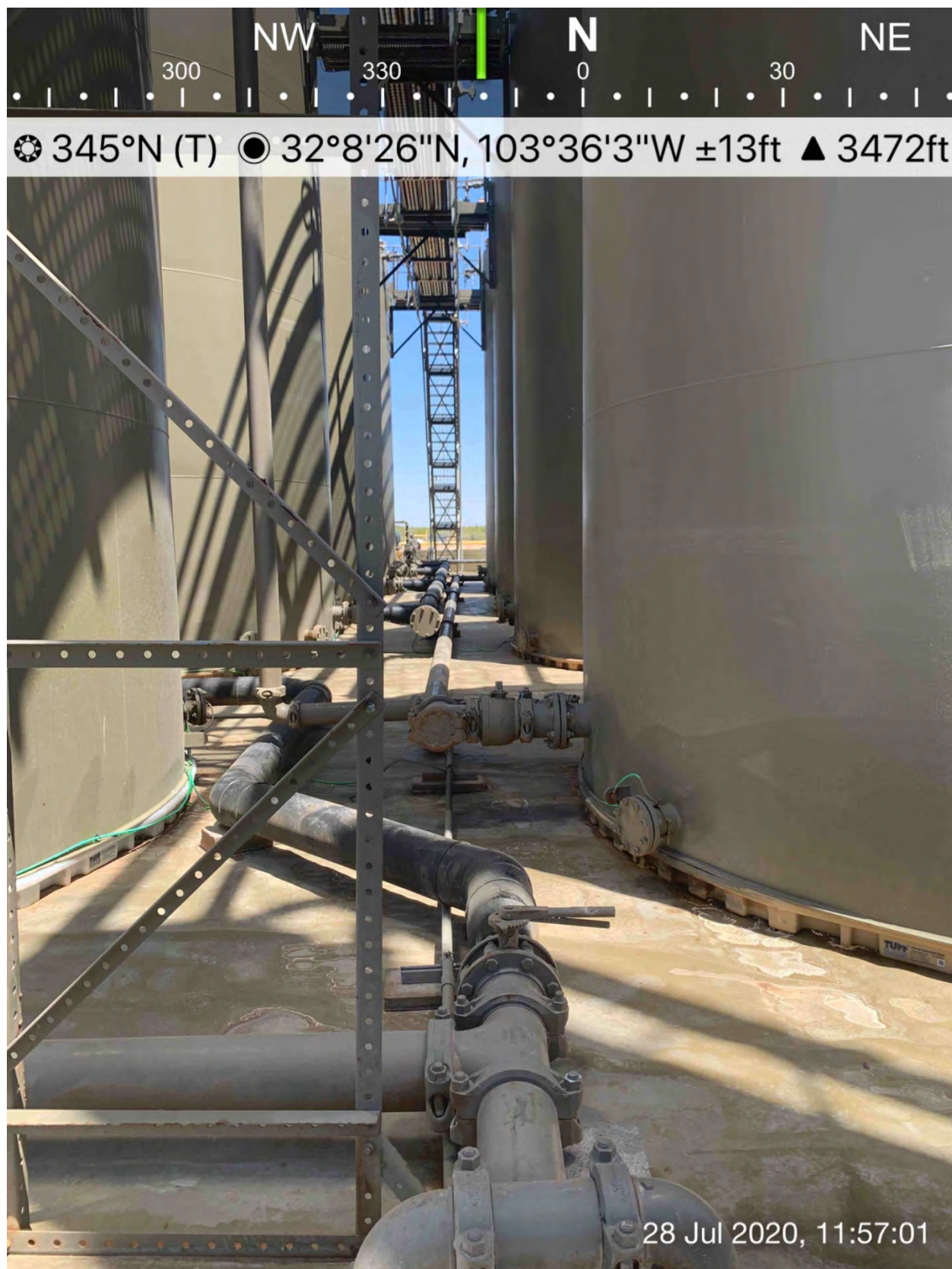




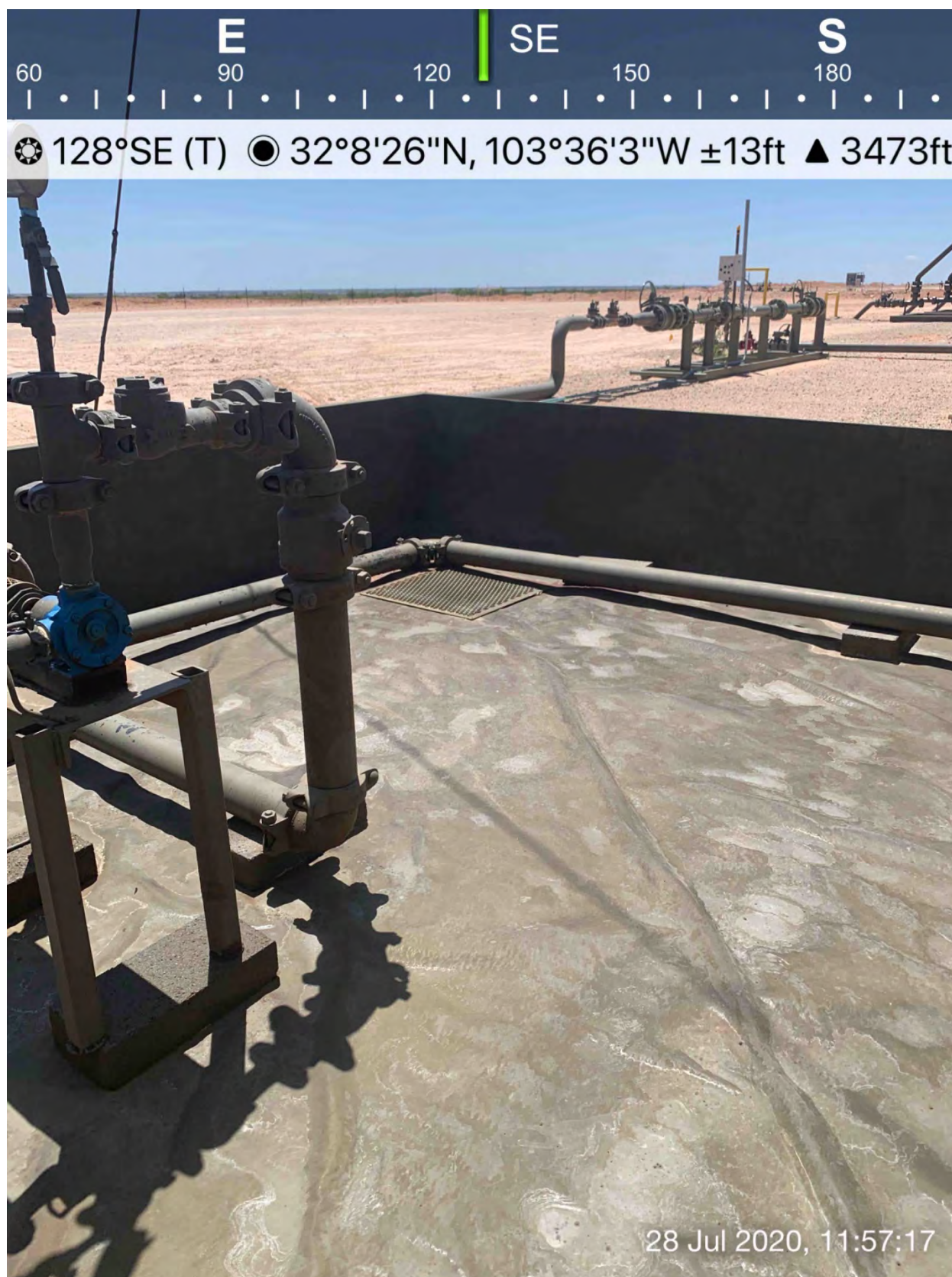














**Souder, Miller & Associates  
Liner Inspection Form**Project Name: Flager 8 CTB1Inspection Date: 7/28/2020Client Name: Devon Energy

Client Representative(s): \_\_\_\_\_

SMA Inspector(s): Alicia A. LopezProject Location: Lea County NMLatitude: 32.140865 Longitude: -103.601115**Inspection Parameters as Outlined in 19.15.29.11.A(5) NMAC****PRIOR TO INSPECTION:**

Two (2) Business Day Notification of Inspection to Appropriate Division Office

(Y/N): Y

Date of Notice: \_\_\_\_\_

Material Covering Liner Removed by Client

(Y/N): Y

Affected Areas Exposed by Client

(Y/N): Y**INSPECTION:**

Liner Thoroughly Inspected for Damage

(Y/N): YAll Damaged Areas Observed Marked in **White Paint** on Liner

Photos and Field Notes Detailing Failures Attached to This Form

**To Be Completed by Client Representative:**

Can Responsible Party Demonstrate:

Liner Integrity Was Maintained (per SMA Inspection)

(Y/N): \_\_\_\_\_

Release Was Contained to Lined Containment Area

(Y/N): \_\_\_\_\_

Liner Was Able to Contain the Leak

(Y/N): \_\_\_\_\_

If YES:

Certify on Form C-141 That Liner Remains Intact


If NO to Any of Above:

Responsible Party Must Delineate Horizontal &amp; Vertical Extent

Depending on Release:

See Table 1 19.15.29.12 NMAC

See Subparagraph (e) Paragraph (5) of Subsection A 19.15.29.11 NMAC

**Additional Comments:****SMA INSPECTOR SIGNATURE**  
Date: 7/28/2020**CLIENT REPRESENTATIVE**Tom Bynum  
Date: 7/28/2020

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**APPENDIX B  
C141**

District I  
1625 N. French Dr., Hobbs, NM 88240  
District II  
811 S. First St., Artesia, NM 88210  
District III  
1000 Rio Brazos Road, Aztec, NM 87410  
District IV  
1220 S. St. Francis Dr., Santa Fe, NM 87505

State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural  
Resources Department  
  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

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

Incident ID	NRM2020438914
District RP	
Facility ID	
Application ID	

## Release Notification

### Responsible Party

Responsible Party Devon Energy Production Company	OGRID 6137
Contact Name Amanda T. Davis	Contact Telephone 575-748-0176
Contact email amanda.davis@divn.com	Incident # (assigned by OCD)
Contact mailing address 6488 Seven Rivers HWY	

### Location of Release Source

Latitude 32.140865 Longitude -103.601115  
(NAD 83 in decimal degrees to 5 decimal places)

Site Name Flagler 8 CTB 1	Site Type Central Tank Battery
Date Release Discovered 7/18/2020	API# (if applicable) N/A

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	County
M	8	25S	33E	Lea

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 type="checkbox"/> Crude Oil	Volume Released (bbls)	Volume Recovered (bbls)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Produced Water	Volume Released (bbls) 63	Volume Recovered (bbls) 63
	Is the concentration of total dissolved solids (TDS) 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 A 1/2-inch valve on a water transfer line was found with a crack in it, causing fluid to be released into the lined secondary containment. The line was shut down and isolated so the valve could be replaced. All fluid was recovered from containment. The GPS coordinates above pinpoint the source of the release, while these coordinates are from the lease sign: 32.14055056, -103.6011111.

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Was this a major release as defined by 19.15.29.7(A) NMAC?  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, for what reason(s) does the responsible party consider this a major release? <b>This release was more than 25 bbls.</b>
If YES, was immediate notice given to the OCD? By whom? To whom? When and by what means (phone, email, etc)? <b>An email was sent by Tom Bynum on 7/19/20 @ 6:30 a.m. to Lea County Spills, BLM Spills, R. Mann, and B. Boone.</b>	

### 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: <b>Kendra DeHoyos</b>	Title: <b>EHS Associate</b>
Signature: <u>Kendra DeHoyos</u>	Date: <u>7/19/2020</u>
email: <u>kendra.dehoyos@dvn.com</u>	Telephone: <u>575-748-3371</u>
<b><u>OCD Only</u></b>	
Received by: <u>Ramona Marcus</u>	Date: <u>7/22/2020</u>

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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>90</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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Printed Name: Tom Bynum Title: EHS ConsultantSignature: Tom Bynum Date: 8/6/2020email: tom.bynum@dvh.com Telephone: 575-748-0176**OCD Only**

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Remediation Plan

**Remediation Plan Checklist:** *Each of the following items must be included in the plan.*

- ☐ Detailed description of proposed remediation technique
- ☐ Scaled sitemap with GPS coordinates showing delineation points
- ☐ Estimated volume of material to be remediated
- ☐ Closure criteria is to Table 1 specifications subject to 19.15.29.12(C)(4) NMAC
- ☐ Proposed schedule for remediation (note if remediation plan timeline is more than 90 days OCD approval is required)

**Deferral Requests Only:** *Each of the following items must be confirmed as part of any request for deferral of remediation.*

- ☐ Contamination must be in areas immediately under or around production equipment where remediation could cause a major facility deconstruction.
- ☐ Extents of contamination must be fully delineated.
- ☐ Contamination does not cause an imminent risk to human health, the environment, or groundwater.

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Printed Name: Tom Bynum Title: EHS Consultant  
Signature: Tom Bynum Date: 8/6/2020  
email: tom.bynum@dvn.com Telephone: 575-748-0176

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Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Approved ☐ Approved with Attached Conditions of Approval ☐ Denied ☐ Deferral Approved

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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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

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. The responsible party acknowledges they must substantially restore, reclaim, and re-vegetate the impacted surface area to the conditions that existed prior to the release or their final land use in accordance with 19.15.29.13 NMAC including notification to the OCD when reclamation and re-vegetation are complete.

Printed Name: Tom Bynum Title: EHS Consultant  
Signature: Tom Bynum Date: 8/6/2020  
email: tom.bynum@dvn.com Telephone: 575-748-0176

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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Spills In Lined Containment	
Measurements Of Standing Fluid	
Length(Ft)	60
Width(Ft)	120
Depth(in.)	0.75
Total Capacity without tank displacements (bbls)	80.15
No. of 500 bbl Tanks In Standing Fluid	8
No. of Other Tanks In Standing Fluid	
OD Of Other Tanks In Standing Fluid(feet)	
Total Volume of standing fluid accounting for tank displacement.	63.35

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## **APPENDIX C WATER WELL DATA**



# New Mexico Office of the State Engineer

## Water Column/Average Depth to Water

(A CLW##### in the  
POD suffix indicates the  
POD has been replaced  
& no longer serves a  
water right file.)

(R=POD has been  
replaced,  
O=orphaned,  
C=the file is  
closed)

(quarters are 1=NW 2=NE 3=SW 4=SE)

(quarters are smallest to largest)

(NAD83 UTM in meters)

(In feet)

POD Number	Code	POD Sub-basin	County	Q 64	Q 16	Q 4	Sec	Tws	Rng	X	Y	Distance	DepthWell	DepthWater	Water Column
<a href="#">C_02312</a>		CUB	LE	1	2	1	05	25S	33E	632292	3559772	2887	150	90	60

Average Depth to Water: 90 feet

Minimum Depth: 90 feet

Maximum Depth: 90 feet

**Record Count:** 1

### UTMNAD83 Radius Search (in meters):

**Easting (X):** 631935

**Northing (Y):** 3556907

**Radius:** 3000

The data is furnished by the NMOSE/ISC and is accepted by the recipient with the expressed understanding that the OSE/ISC make no warranties, expressed or implied, concerning the accuracy, completeness, reliability, usability, or suitability for any particular purpose of the data.

7/29/20 3:11 PM

WATER COLUMN/ AVERAGE DEPTH TO  
WATER