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### Release Notification and Corrective Action

#### OPERATOR

Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company Apache Corporation	Contact Natalie Gladden
Address P.O. Box 1849 Eunice, NM	Telephone No. 575-390-4186
Facility Name Big Kick #1 Tank Battery	Facility Type Production Facility
Surface Owner McCasland	Mineral Owner State of NM
Lease No. 30-025-36745	

#### LOCATION OF RELEASE

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
C	13	20S	38E	660'	FNL	1650	FWL	Lea

Latitude 32deg 34'-42.4"-N Longitude 103deg 06'-18.5"-W

#### NATURE OF RELEASE

Type of Release Produced Water	Volume of Release 30	Volume Recovered 10
Source of Release Vacuum Truck	Date 07/14/2009	Date 07/14/2009
Was Immediate Notice Given? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom? Larry Johnson	
By Whom? Natalie Gladden	Date and Hour 07/14/2009 11am	
Was a Watercourse Reached? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.	

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

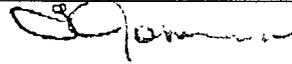
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

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Approx 10bbls of fluid was recovered. Pate Trucking paid for the remediation and hired Phoenix Environmental. NMOCD rules and regulations will be followed to close.

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Signature: 	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: Natalie Gladden	 Approved by District Supervisor <b>ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER</b>	
Title: EH&S Environmental Tech	Approval Date: 4-28-10	Expiration Date: _____
E-mail Address: natalie.gladden@apachecorp.com	Conditions of Approval:	
Date: 02/24/10 Phone: 575-390-4186	Attached <input type="checkbox"/> IRP # 04-2497	

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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Signature: <i>Natalie Gladden</i>	<b>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</b>	
Printed Name: Natalie Gladden	Approved by District Supervisor:	
Title: EH&S Environmental Tech	Approval Date:	Expiration Date:
E-mail Address: natalie.gladden@apachecorp.com	Conditions of Approval:	Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 07/15/2009 Phone: 575-390-4186		

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# ***Big Kick #1 Tank Battery***

*Located in Unit Letter C, SEC. 13, T20S, R38E of Lea Co., NM*

*GPS Reading of 32°-34'-42.4"-N & 103°-06'-18.5"-W*

*API # 30-025-36745*

## ***Spill Remediation Report***

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*Presented to:*

***Apache Corp.***  
*612 S Yale, Suite 1500*  
*Tulsa, OK 74136*

*C/O Pate Trucking*  
*P.O. Box 760*  
*Denver City, Texas 79323*

*Prepared by:*

***Phoenix Environmental, LLC.***  
*P.O. Box 1856*  
*Hobbs, New Mexico 88240*



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**IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

Phoenix Environmental, LLC. With offices at 2113 French Drive, Hobbs, New Mexico 88241 (the Company), has prepared this project report for remediation of Big Kick #1, to the best of its ability. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made or intended. The report was prepared for Apache Corp., with offices at 612 S Yale Suite 1500. Tulsa OK. 74136 and (the Client). All information disclosed in this plan is for internal purposes only and is considered confidential. By accepting this document, the recipient agrees to keep confidential the information contained herein. The recipient further agrees not to copy, reproduce or distribute to any third party this project plan in whole or in part, without express written permission from the Company or Client.





# ***SECTION I***

## **Project Overview**

*Phoenix Environmental, LLC. (Phoenix) was contracted by Rusty Weaver with Pate Trucking to consult and oversee the clean up on the Big Kick #1 Tank Battery owned by Apache Corp. and is located at UL C, Sec 13, T20S, R38E of Lea County New Mexico with a GPS Reading: 32°-34'-42.4"N & 103°-06'-18.5"W with an elevation of 3563 above sea level. The land, in and around the site, is primarily used as pasture for cattle and the production of oil and gas.*

*The potential contaminates of concern were mid- to high-level concentrations of produce water containing elevated chlorides that were lost due to the driver with Pate Trucking not watching hoses while loading produce water from load line and hose came unhook from load line causing produce water to leak onto ground.*

*The ground water depth data available from the State of New Mexico Engineers' office showed the vertical depth to the top of water to be about 34 feet below surface.*

*Pursuant to the NMOCD guidelines for clean up of unlined surface impoundments, the clean up level for this site will be at <100 ppm for TPH (Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons) and <50 ppm for BTEX (Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, and Xylene). The NMOCD has also asked for CL (Chlorides) be returned back as close to background levels as possible or <250 ppm.*

## **Findings and Conclusion**

*The spill was due to the fact that a truck owned by Pate Trucking was loading truck from load line and the hose from truck hooked to load line came off causing produce water to leak onto ground. A total of 30 bbls of produce water was spilled onto ground and ran across location and down road 200'. A total of 10 bbls was recovered.*

*It appeared that approximately 760 cubic yards of impacted soils would have to be removed to complete the excavation of the project. The impacted soils removed from the site would be hauled off-site for disposal at a NMOCD permitted commercial waste disposal facility (Sundance Service Permit # NM01-003).*

*The bottom of the excavation (approximately 2 feet) was tested for Chlorides to make certain that the target limits had been met prior to backfilling and compaction for closure. The site cleaned up very well, and did not impact groundwater.*

*The spill site should pose very little if any future environmental threat due to the fact that the impacted soils at the site were removed for off-site disposal and fresh clean backfill was brought in and placed in the excavation site.*



## **Chronology of Operations**

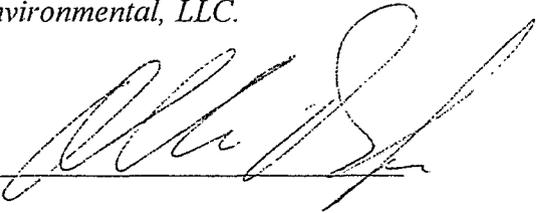
1. *July 14, 2009 – Allen Hodge with Phoenix Environmental LLC met with Rusty Weaver Pate Trucking at the spill site. Allen took photos of the spill site. Allen spoke to Natalie Gladden with Apache Corp. on the phone to inform her and what actions was going to take place. Natalie told Allen she would file C141 with the OCD office and she would notify Mr. Larry Johnson with NMOCD of the spill and let Larry know that Phoenix will be during the cleanup. Phoenix then mobilized on-site, with the first order being a tailgate safety meeting to review any potential safety concerns of the site and to cover the clean up operations. (Please note that a daily safety meeting is the first order of the day before any work begins on site) New Mexico One Call was notified of the intent to clean up the site. A backhoe and Tack hoe was mobilized to location.*
2. *July 15, 2009 – Crew began excavating impacted soils from the spill site and loaded the soils into trucks. Trucks hauled 40 cubic yards of impacted soils to an NMOCD approved disposal facility. Sundance Services Permit # NM 01-003 was the approved disposal facility.*
3. *July 16, 2009 – Crew continued to excavate impacted soils from the spill site and loaded into trucks. Trucks hauled 260 cubic yards of impacted soil off site for disposal. Allen took samples of spill site on the road to check levels. Crew hauled in 180 cubic yards of caliche for backfill.*
4. *July 17, 2009– Crew continued to excavate impacted soils from spill site and loaded into trucks. Trucks hauled 320 cubic yards of impacted soil off site for disposal. Trucks hauled 324 cubic yards of topsoil to location.*
5. *July 20, 2009 – Crew Continued to haul caliche to location for backfill. Spill site excavation areas were cleaned and final samples were taken and sent to a third party laboratory for analysis Chlorides for final verification of the limits met. Truck hauled 140 cubic yards of impacted soils off site for disposal. Fresh topsoil was used to backfill pasture area.*
6. *July 21, 2009 - Crew finished backfilling location. Final contouring and compactions was implemented to return the site back to grade. Contouring was completed with a crown to prevent rainwater ponding. Pasture excavation area was reseed.*



*Certification*

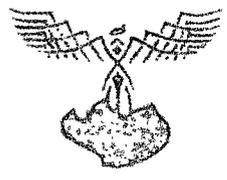
*The following Phoenix Environmental personnel have reviewed this report and verified that to the best of their knowledge the contents are true and correct.*

*Allen Hodge, REM  
VP Operations  
Phoenix Environmental, LLC.*

Signature: 

*Registered Environmental Manager #7096  
National Registry of Environmental Professionals*

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## ***SECTION II***



## SUMMARY SOIL ANALYSIS REPORT

**Client:** Apache Corp  
**Supervisor:** Allen Hodge  
**Sample Matrix:** Soil

**Facility:** Big Kick #1  
**Order No.:** Tony Shenualt  
**Samples Received:** Intact on site

### **Interim Project Screening**

Sample	Date	Depth	Chlorides	PID TPH	PID BTEX	Location	Test Method
#1	7/24/09	2'	120			Road Area Center	EPA 325.3
#2	7/24/09	2'	<50			Pad Area center	EPA 325.3
#3	7/24/09	2'	60			Southeast Pasture	EPA 325.3
#4	7/24/09	2'	<50			Southwest Pasture	EPA 325.3
#5	7/24/09	2'	100			West Center	EPA 325.3
#6	7/24/09	0-6"	<50			Background	EPA 325.3
#7							
#8							
#9							
#10							
#11							
#12							
#13							
#14							
#15							

Samples reported in parts per million (ppm) and depth is in feet (') and inches (")

### **Final (Third Party Laboratory) Project Screening Verification**

Sample	Date	Depth	Chlorides	TPH	BTEX	Location	Test Method
#1	7/30/09	2'	96			Road Area Center	See Report
#2	7/30/09	2'	16			Pad Area center	See Report
#3	7/30/09	2'	48			Southeast Pasture	See Report
#4	7/30/09	2'	64			Southwest Pasture	See Report
#5	7/30/09	2'	80			West Center	See Report
#6	7/30/09	0-6"	<16			Background	See Report
							See Report

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**Hobbs, New Mexico 88241**  
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**Supervisor:** Allen Hodge  
**Sample Matrix:** Soil

**Facility:** Big Kick #1  
**Test Method:** EPA 325.3  
**Order No.:**  
**Sample Received:** Intact on site

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Cl (ppm)</u>	<u>Depth (feet)</u>	<u>Location</u>
#1	120	2'	Road Area Center
#2	<50	2'	Pad Area Center
#3	60	2'	Southeast Pasture
#4	<50	2'	Southwest Pasture
#5	100	2'	West Center
#6	<50	0-6"	Background
#7			
#8			

**COMMENTS:** Sample were to check the limits for NMOCD guidelines for clean up of leaks and spills.



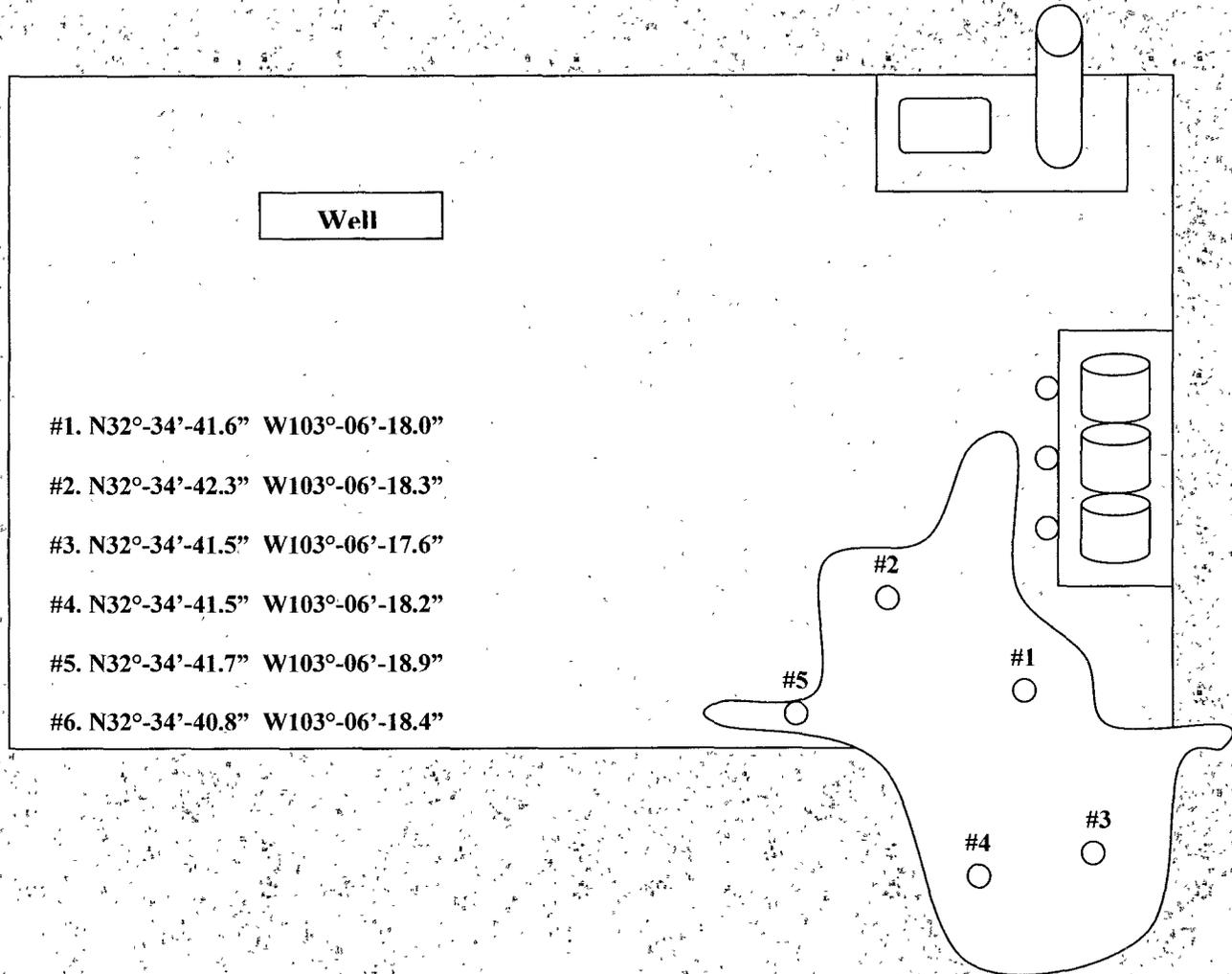




## ***SECTION III***

Apache Corp

Big Kick #1 Tank Battery  
UL-C SEC-13 - T20S - R38E  
N32° - 34' - 42.4" - W103° - 6' - 18.5"



#1. N32°-34'-41.6" W103°-06'-18.0"

#2. N32°-34'-42.3" W103°-06'-18.3"

#3. N32°-34'-41.5" W103°-06'-17.6"

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#5. N32°-34'-41.7" W103°-06'-18.9"

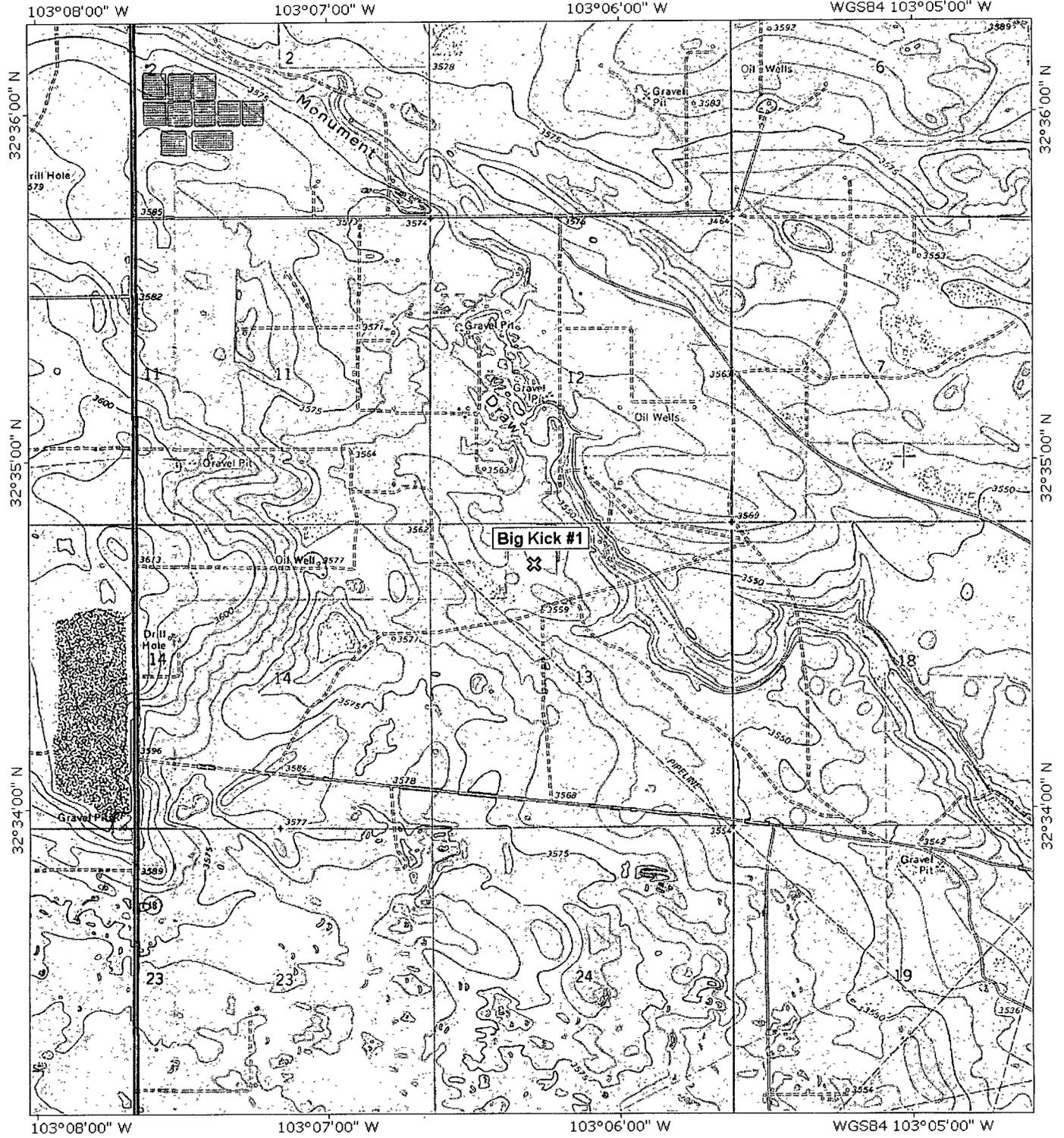
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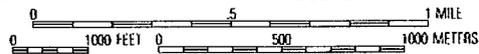
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TN MN  
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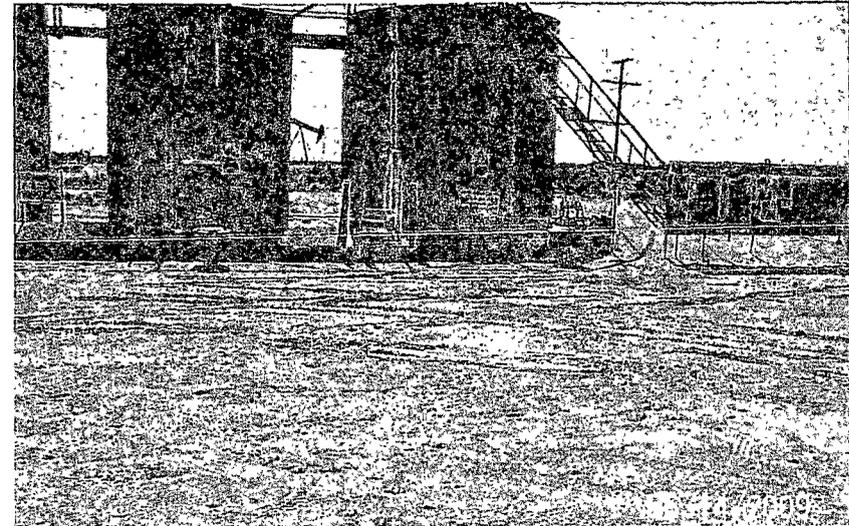




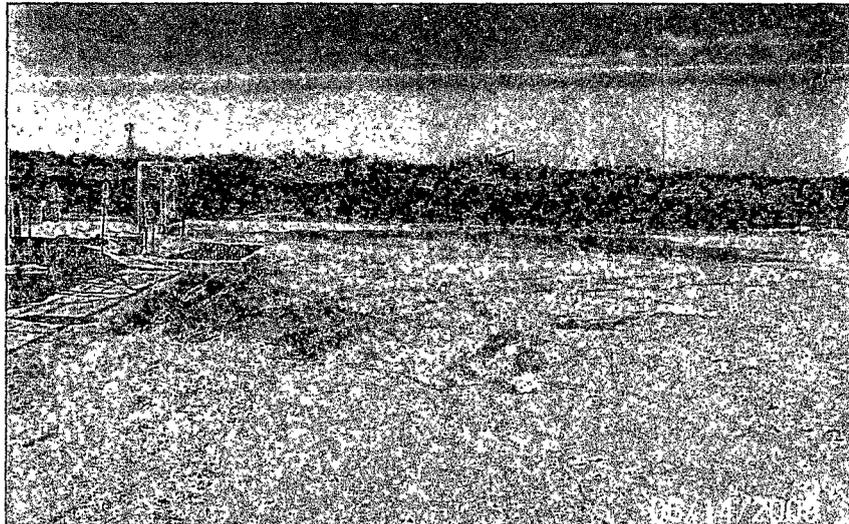
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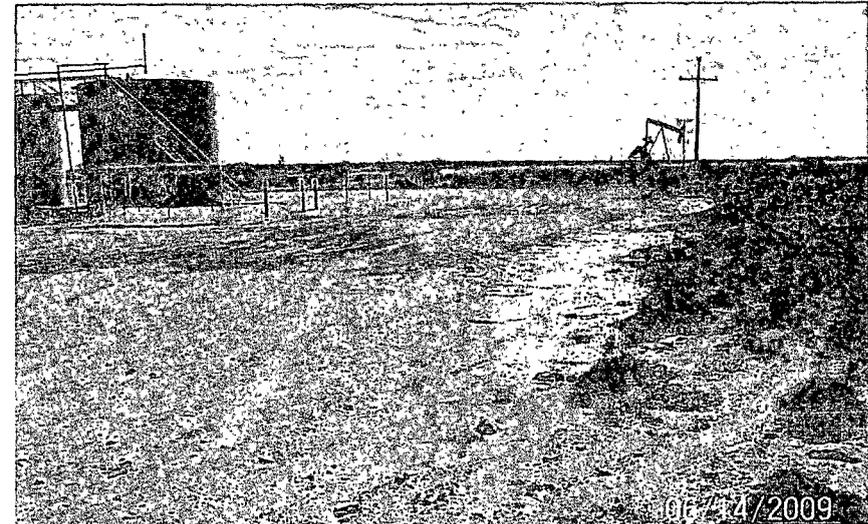
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*Photo #2 Beginning View of Spill Site*

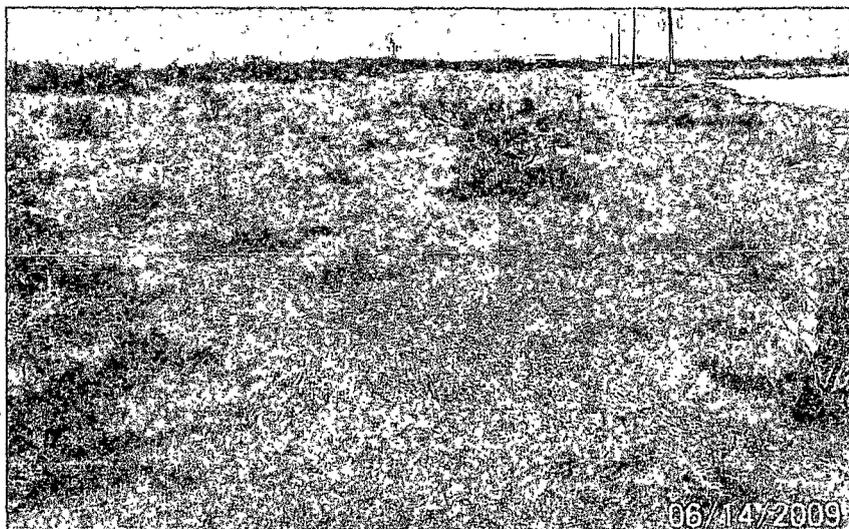


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*Photo #4 Beginning View of Spill Site*

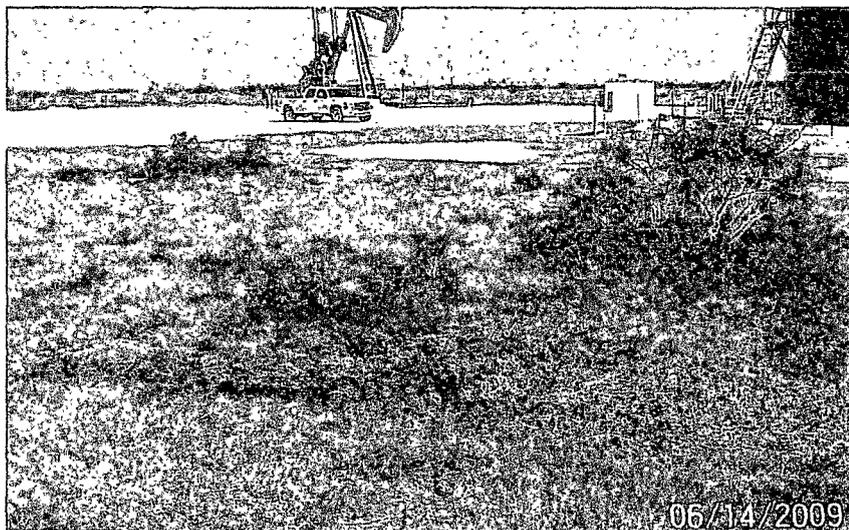




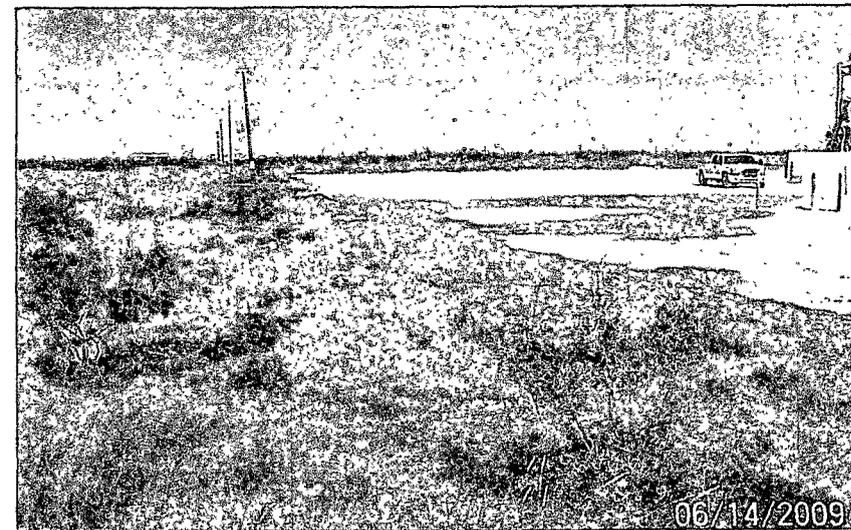
*Photo # 5 Beginning View of Spill Site ( Pasture)*



*Photo #6 Beginning View of Spill Site (Road)*

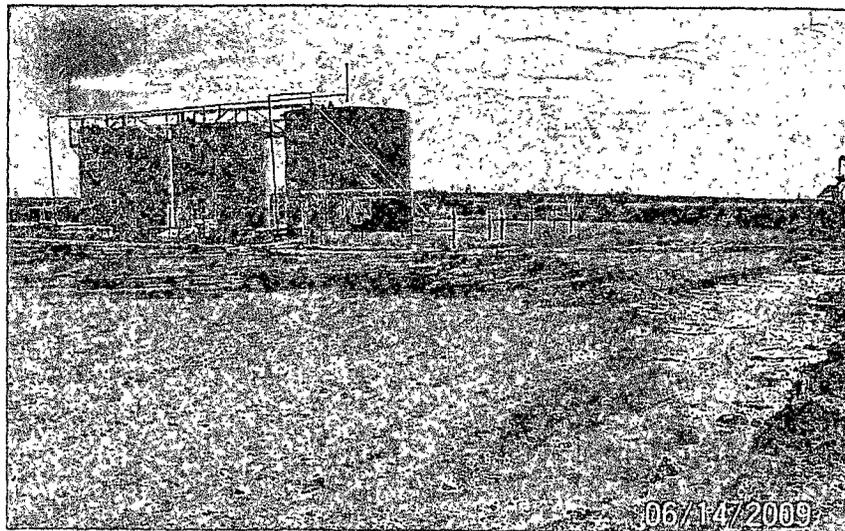


*Photo #7 Beginning View of Spill Site (Pasture)*



*Photo #8 Beginning View of Spill Site*

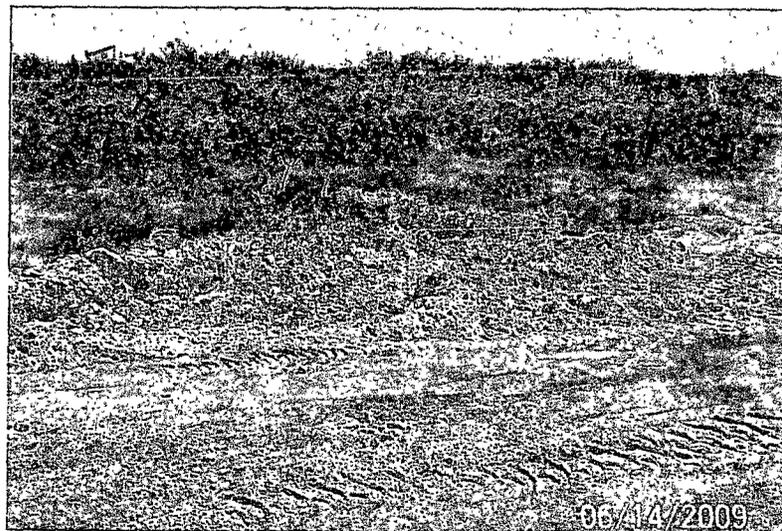




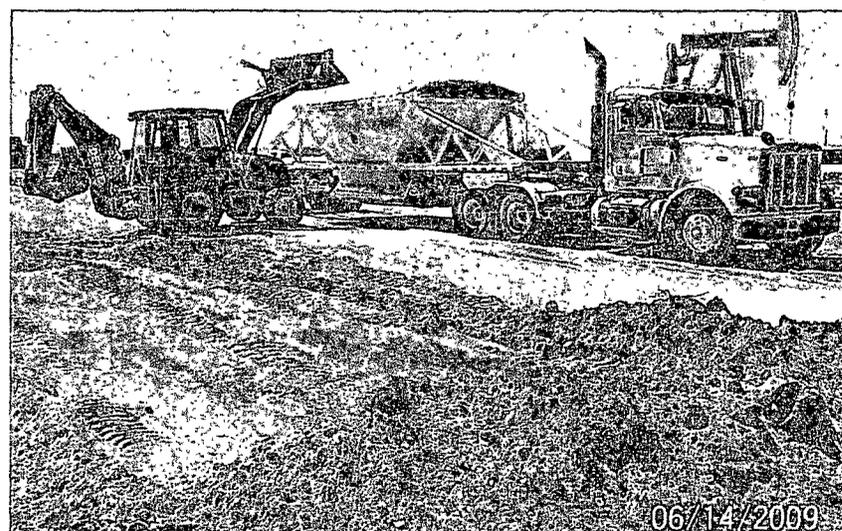
*Photo #9 Beginning View of Spill*



*Photo # 10 Beginning View of Spill (Pasture)*



*Photo #11 Excavation of Impacted Soils*

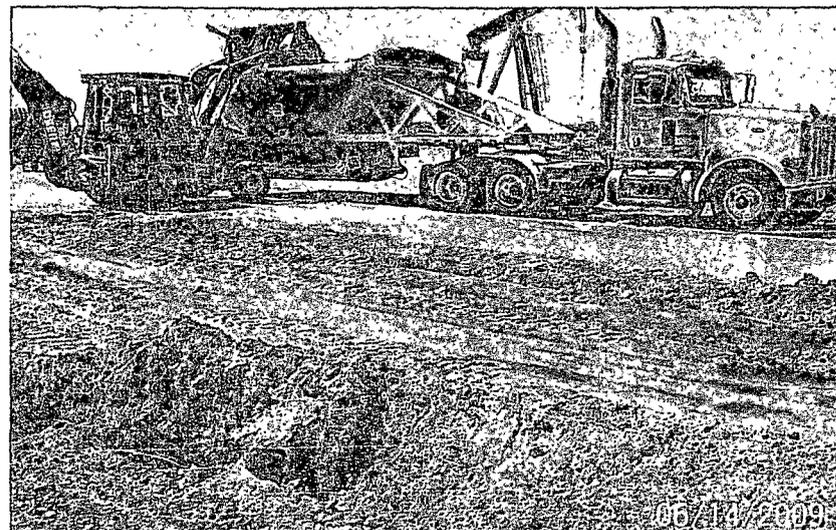


*Photo #12 Excavation and Loading of Impacted Soils*





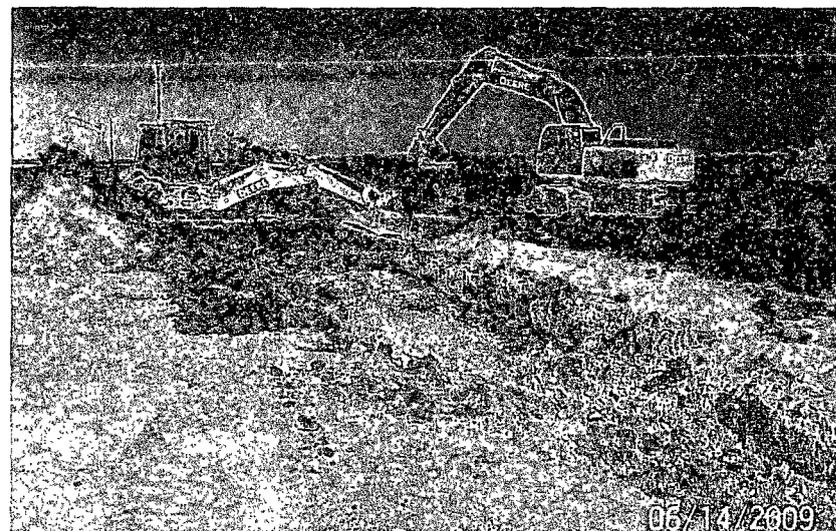
*Photo #13 Cleaning Up Spill Areas*



*Photo #14 Loading Compact Soil for Off-Site Disposal*

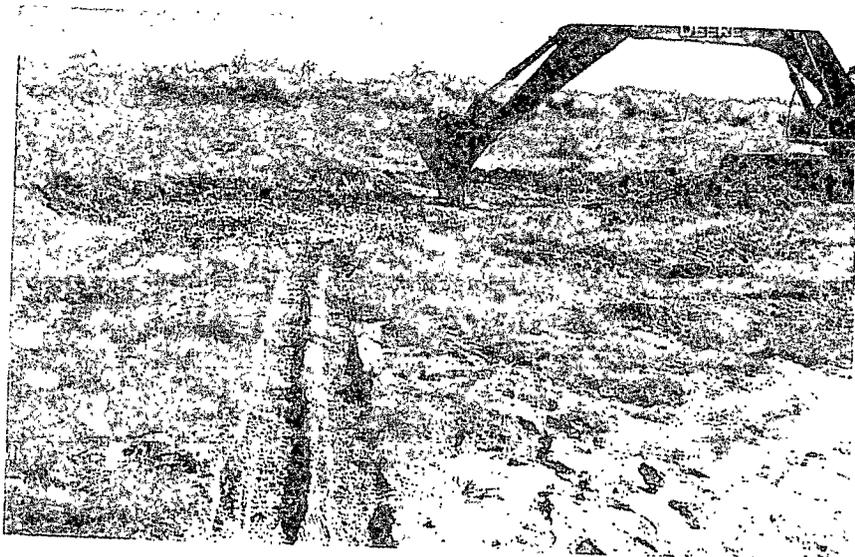


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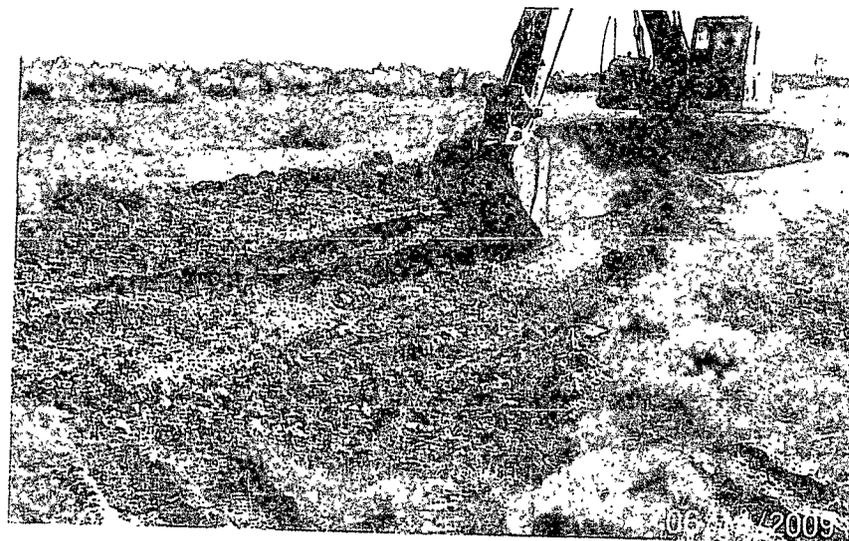


*Photo #16 Cleaning Up Spill Areas*





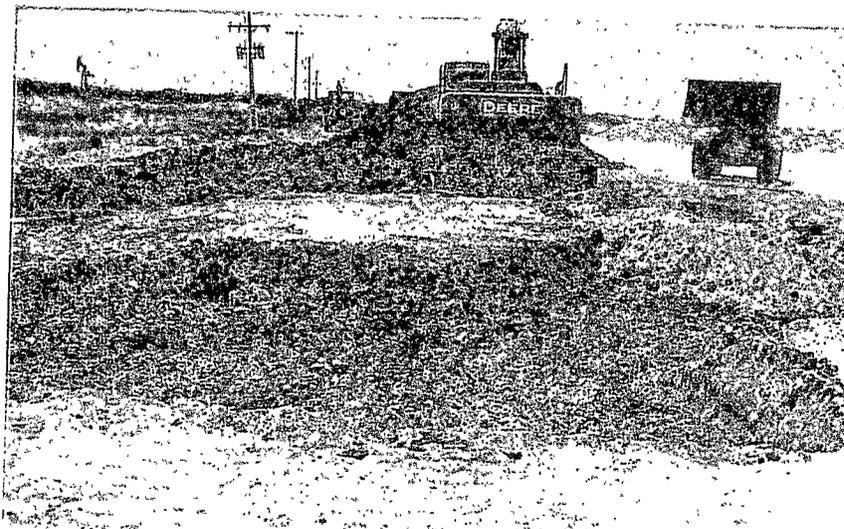
*Photo #17 Clean Up of Spill Remediation in Pasture*



*Photo #18 Clean Up of Spill Remediation in Pasture*

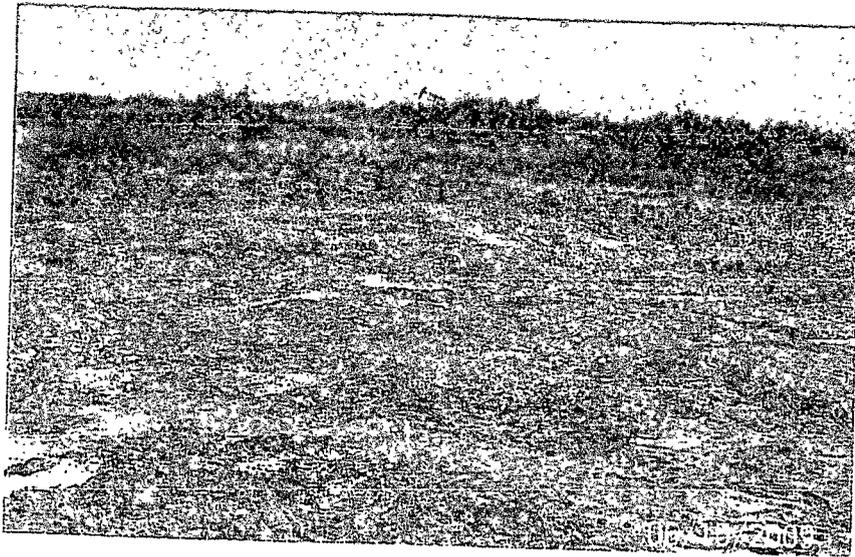


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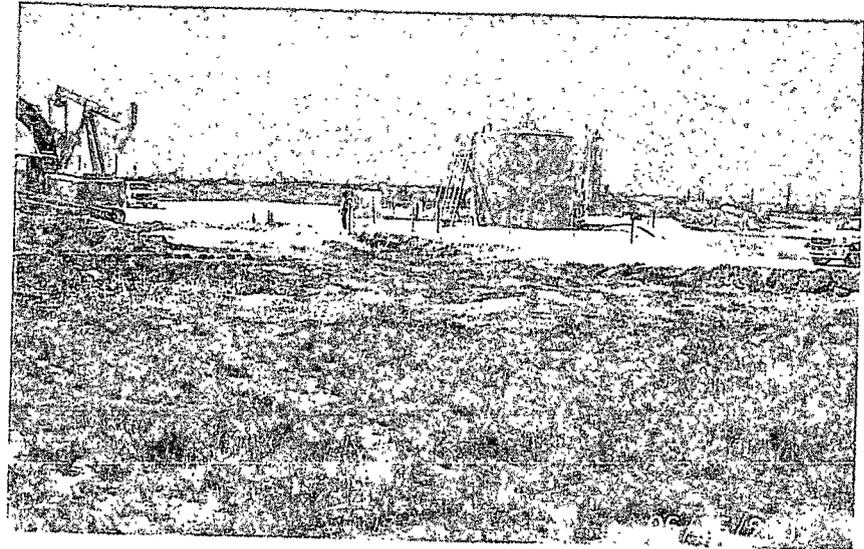


*Photo #20 Clean Up of Spill Remediation in Pasture*

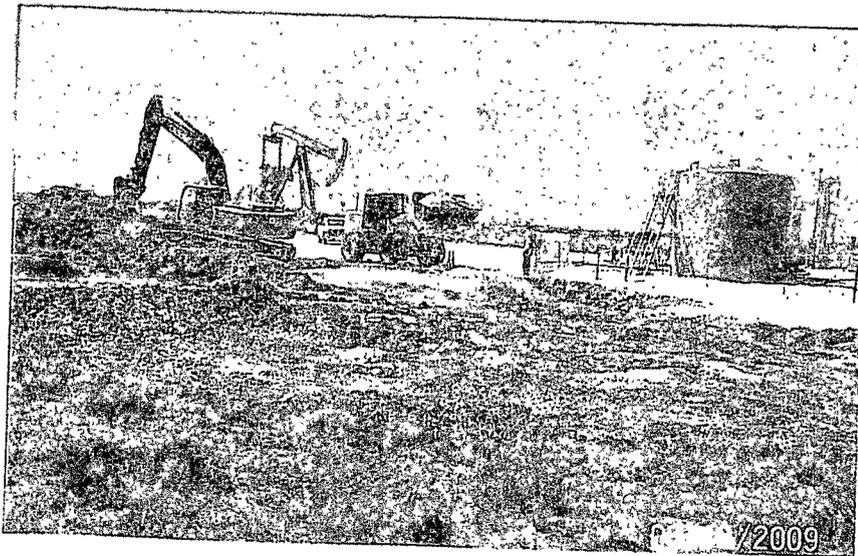




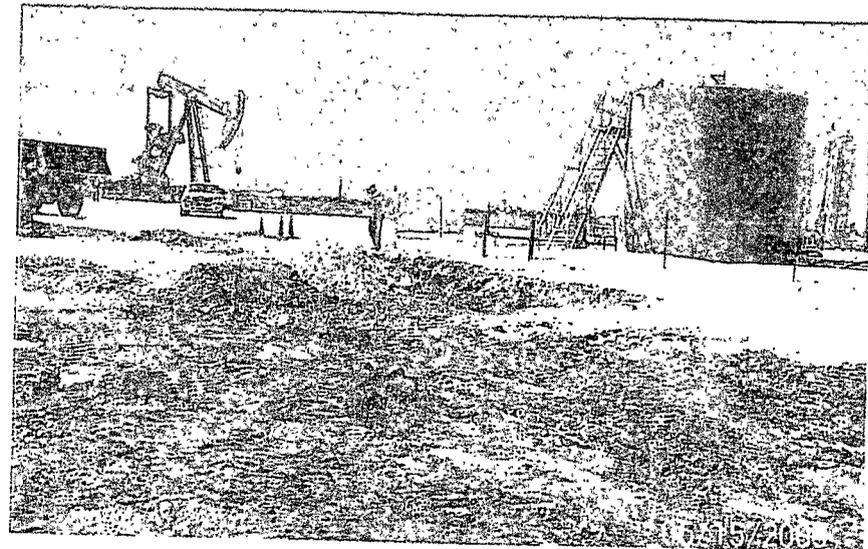
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*Photo #22 Cleaning up Spill in Pasture*

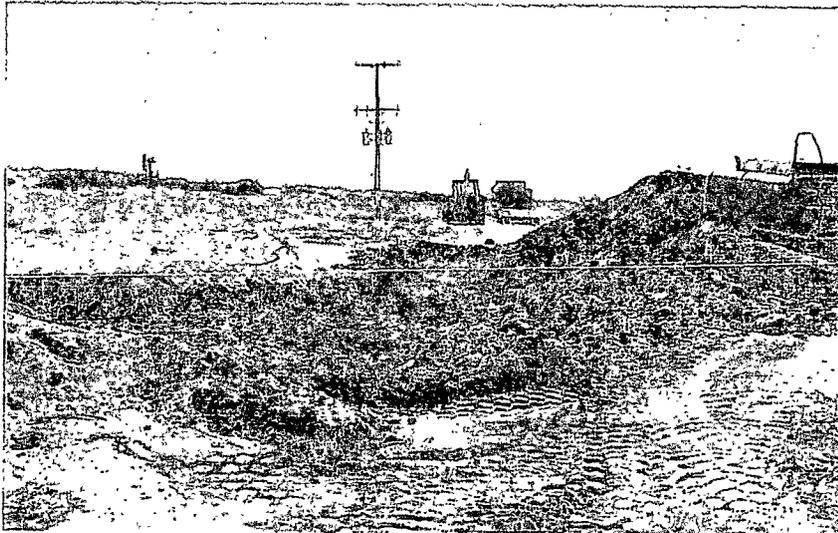


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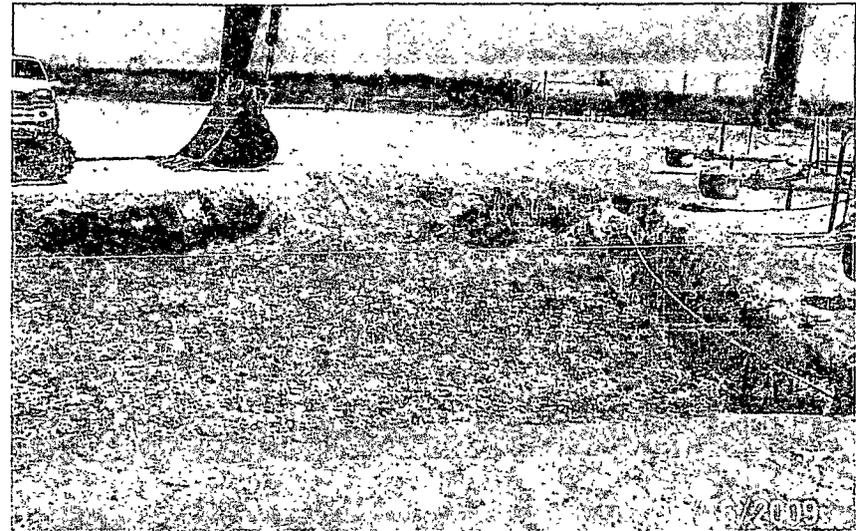


*Photo #24 Cleaning up Spill in Pasture*





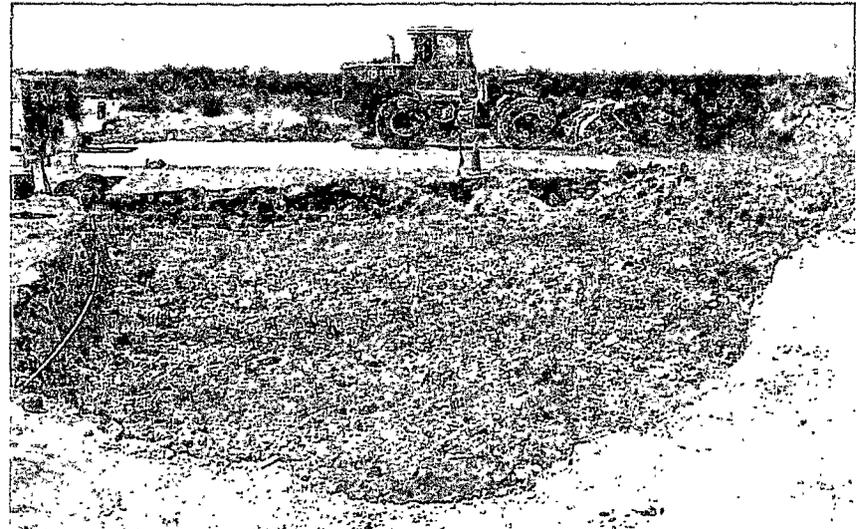
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*Photo #26 Cleaning Bottoms of Excavated Area*



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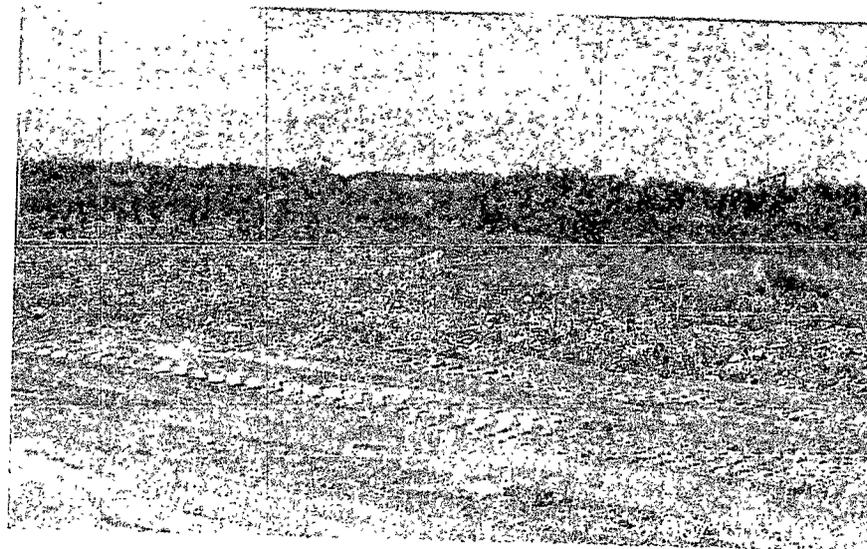


*Photo #28 Cleaning Bottoms of Excavated Area*

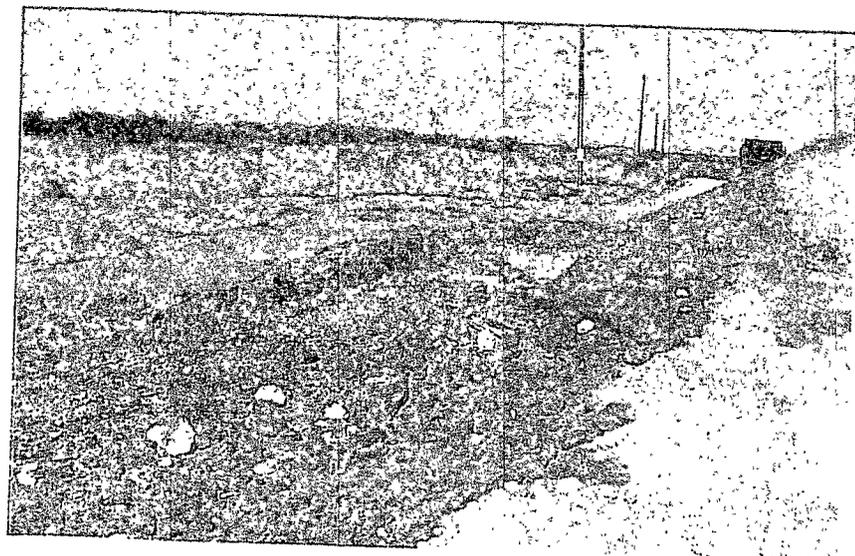




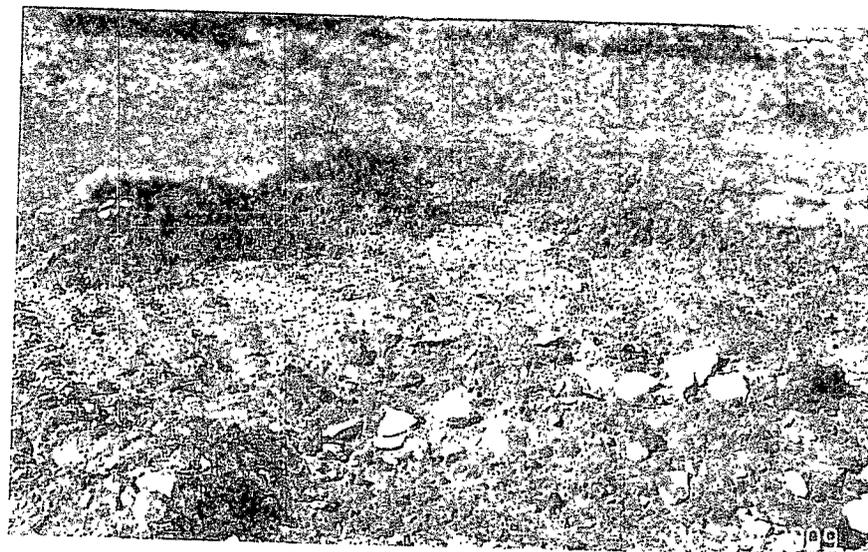
*Photo #29 Backfilling Excavated Area*



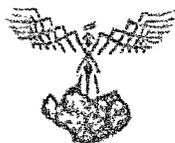
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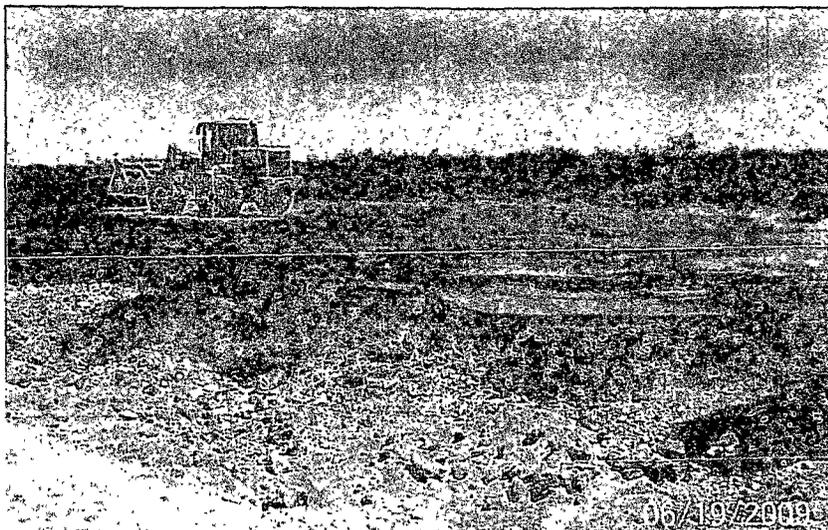


*Photo #31 Backfilling Excavated Area*



*Photo #32 Backfilling Excavated Area*

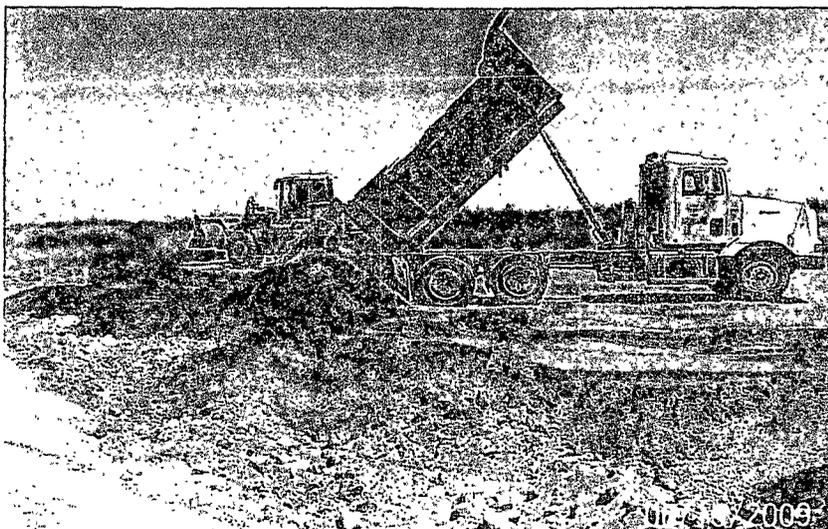




*Photo #33 Backfilling of Excavated Area*



*Photo #34 Backfilling of Excavated Area*

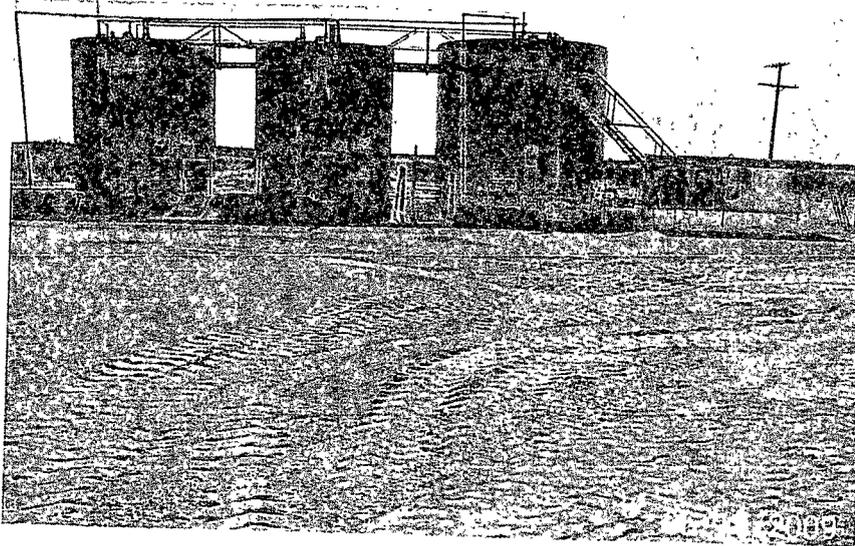


*Photo #35 Backfilling of Excavated Area*

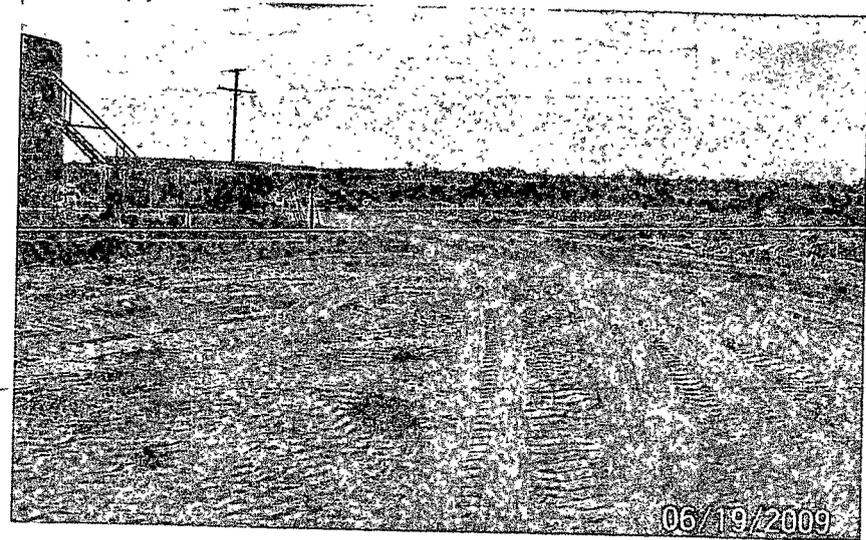


*Photo #36 Backfilling of Excavated Area*

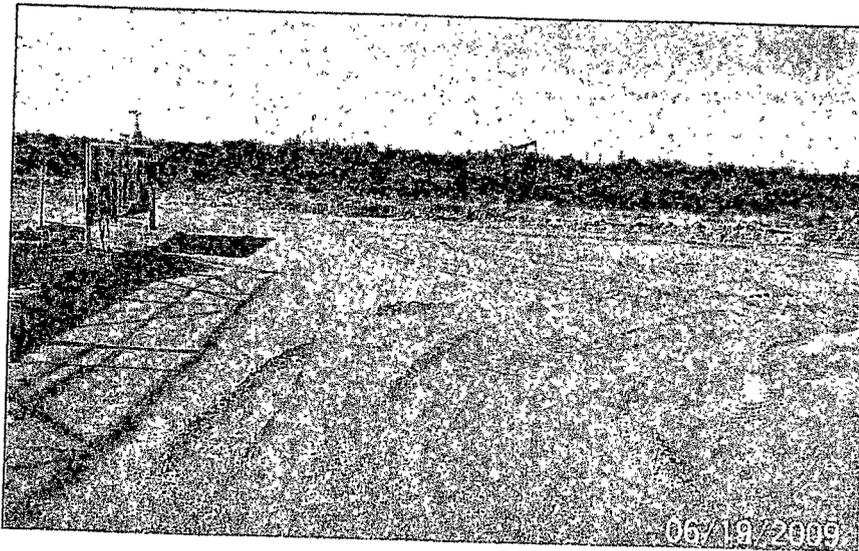




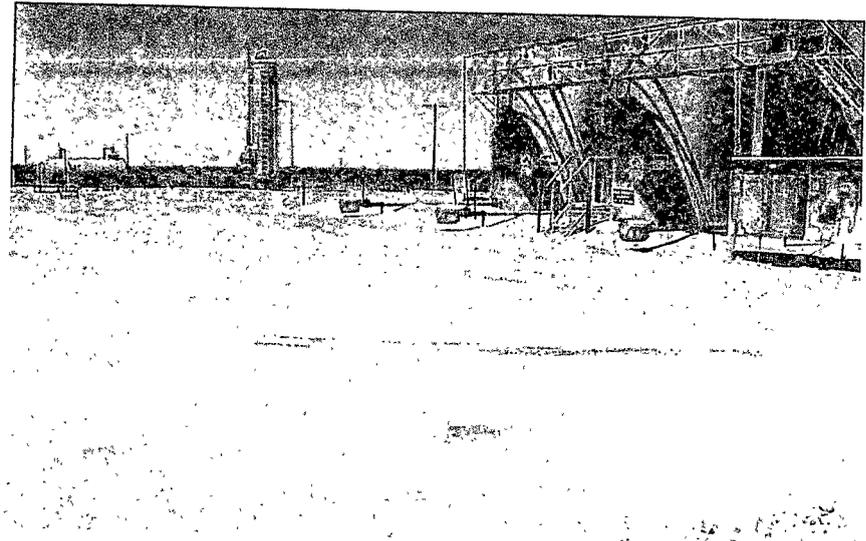
*Photo #37 Final View of Spill Remediation*



*Photo #38 Final View of Spill Remediation*

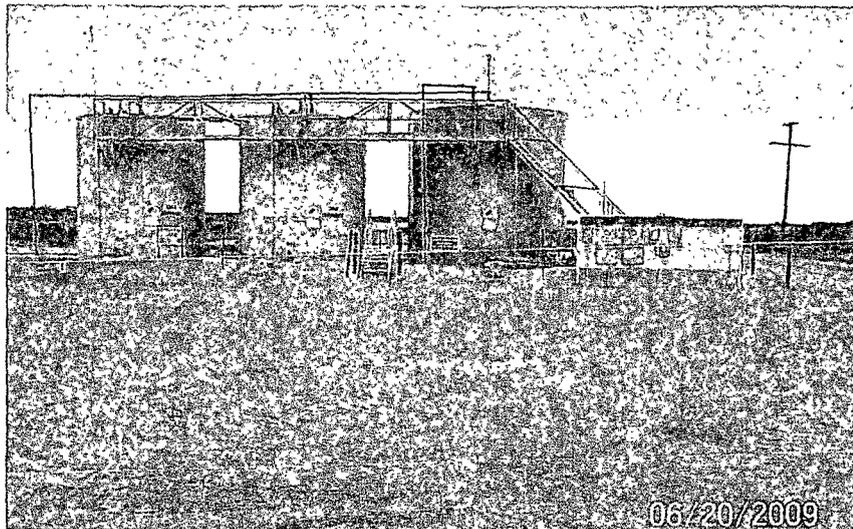


*Photo #39 Final View of Spill Remediation*



*Photo #40 Final View of Spill Remediation*





*Photo #41 Final View of Spill Remediation*



*Photo #42 Final View of Spill Remediation*

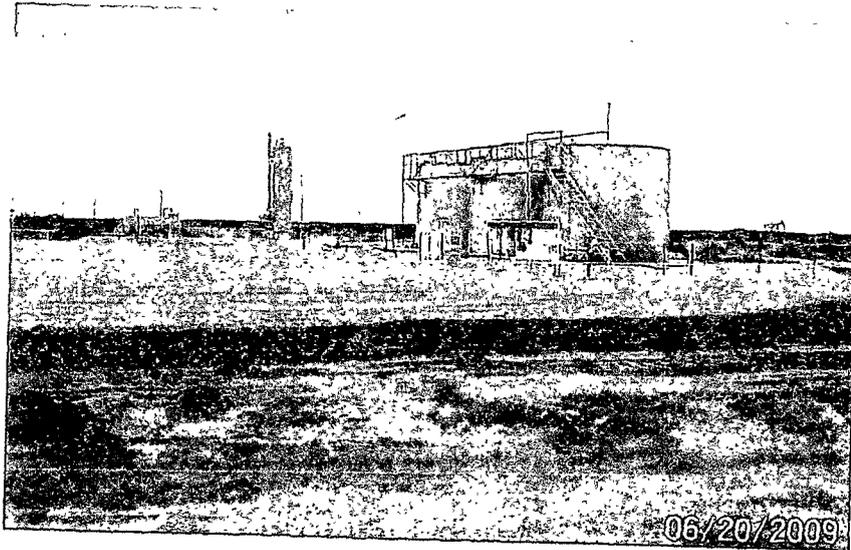


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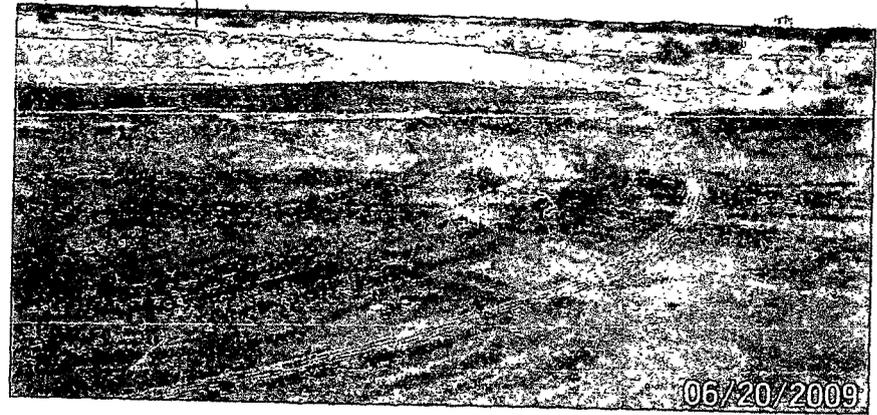


*Photo #44 Final View of Spill Remediation*

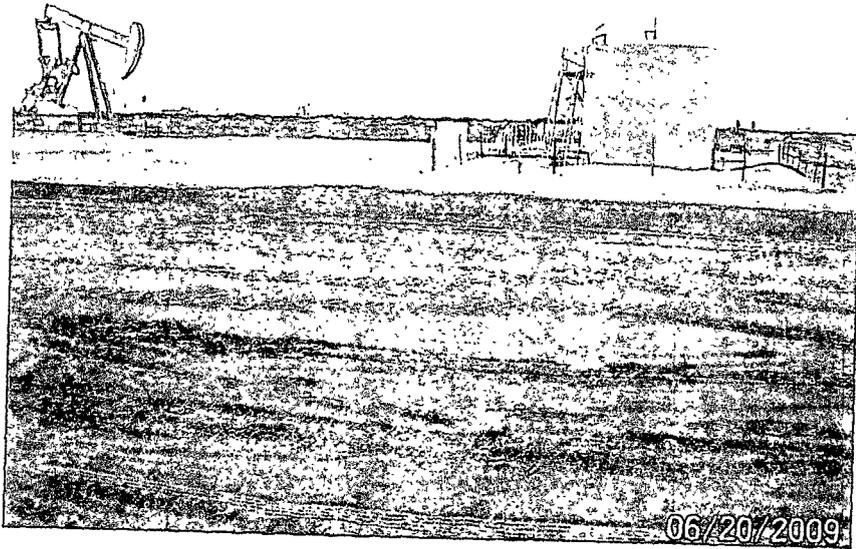




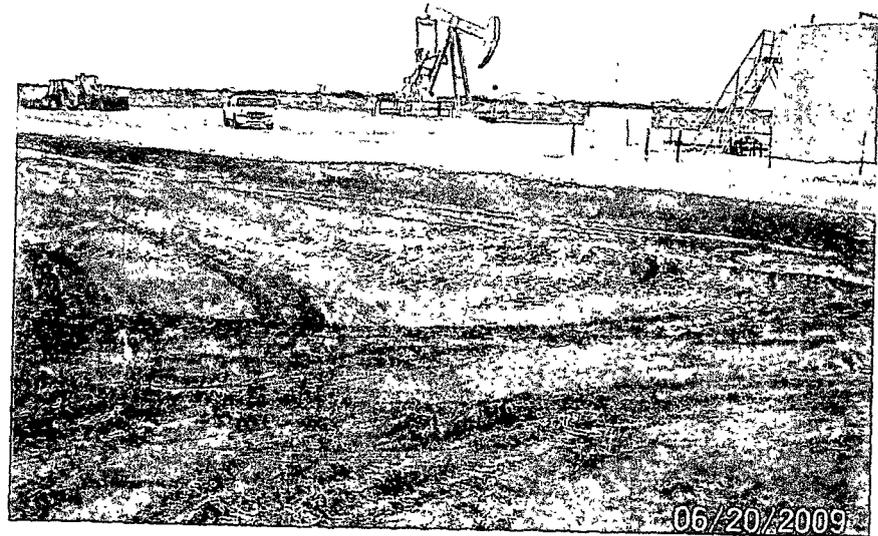
*Photo #45 Final View of Spill Remediation*



*Photo #46 Final View of Spill Remediation*



*Photo #47 Final View of Spill Remediation*



*Photo #48 Final View of Spill Remediation*

