

Restoration Planning and Monitoring Using GPS Technology

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Documentation of Seeding and Monitoring

WHY?

Requirement for bond release or roll-over

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Track progress

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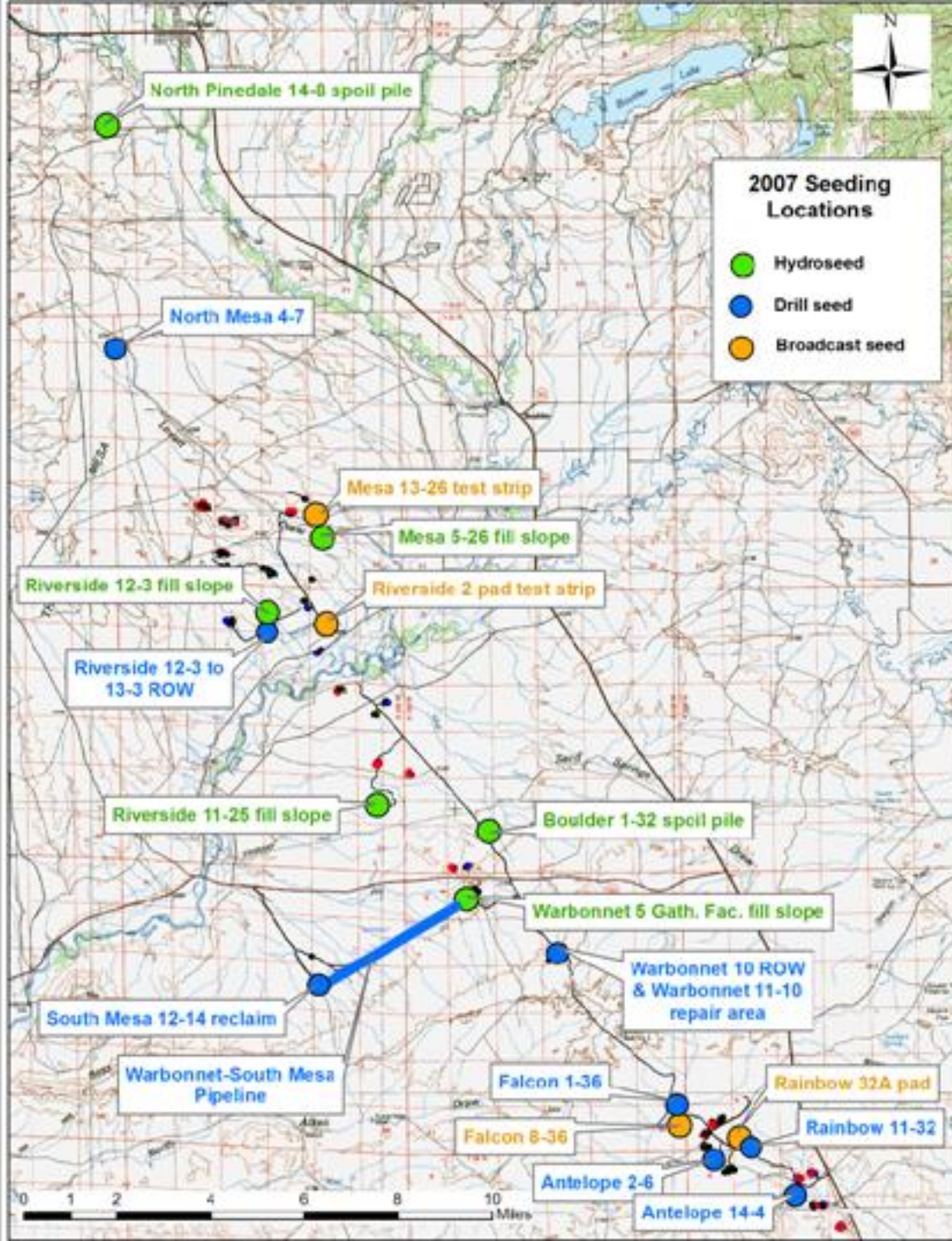
Learn from success or failure

Helps to have continuity

- long term

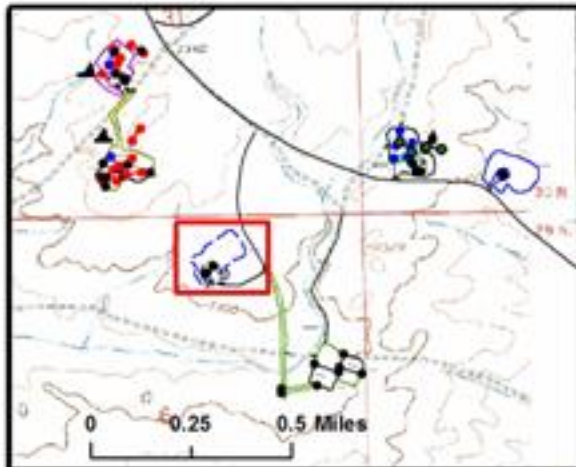
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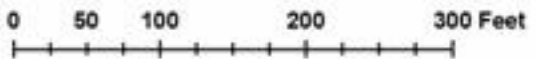


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Antelope 2-6

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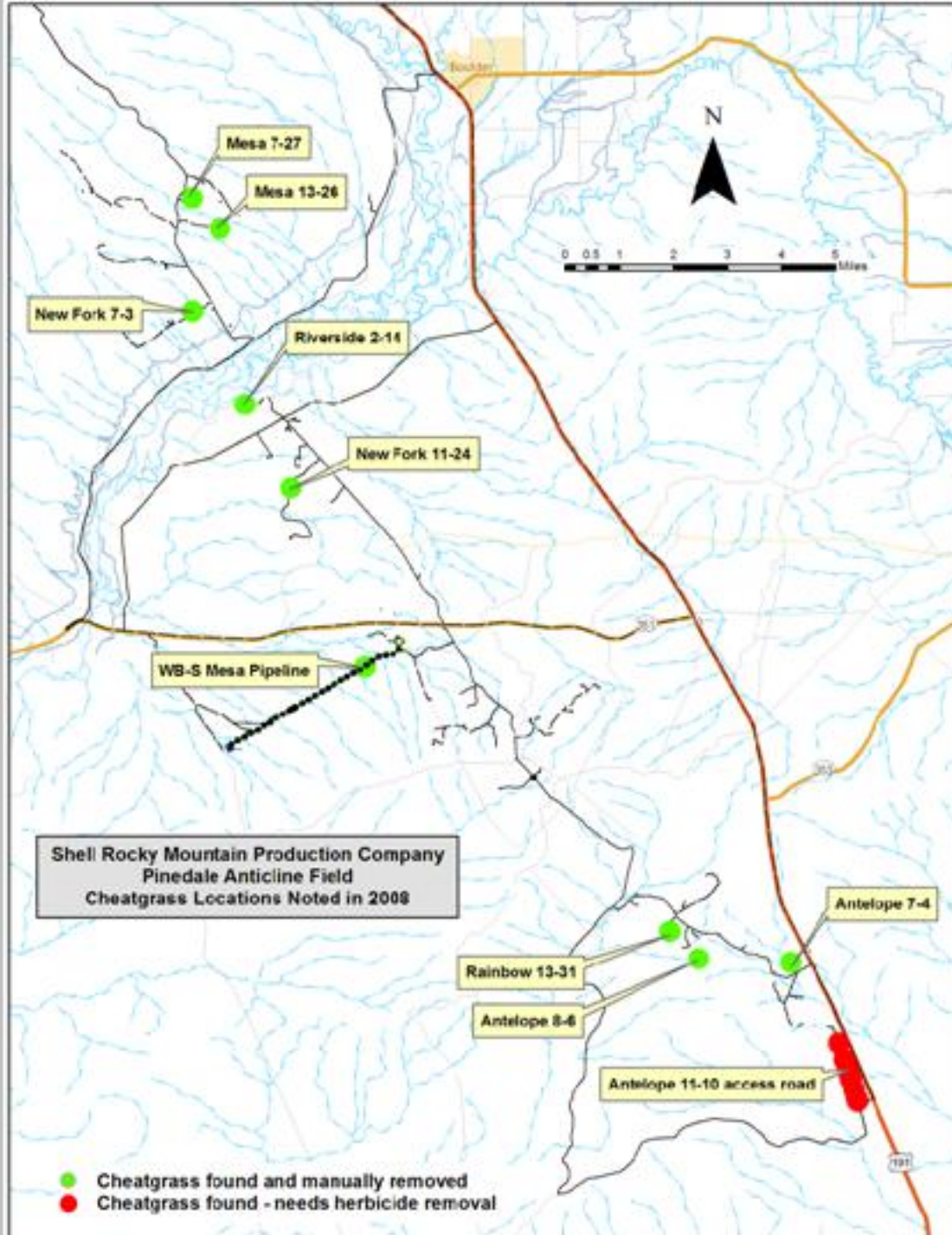
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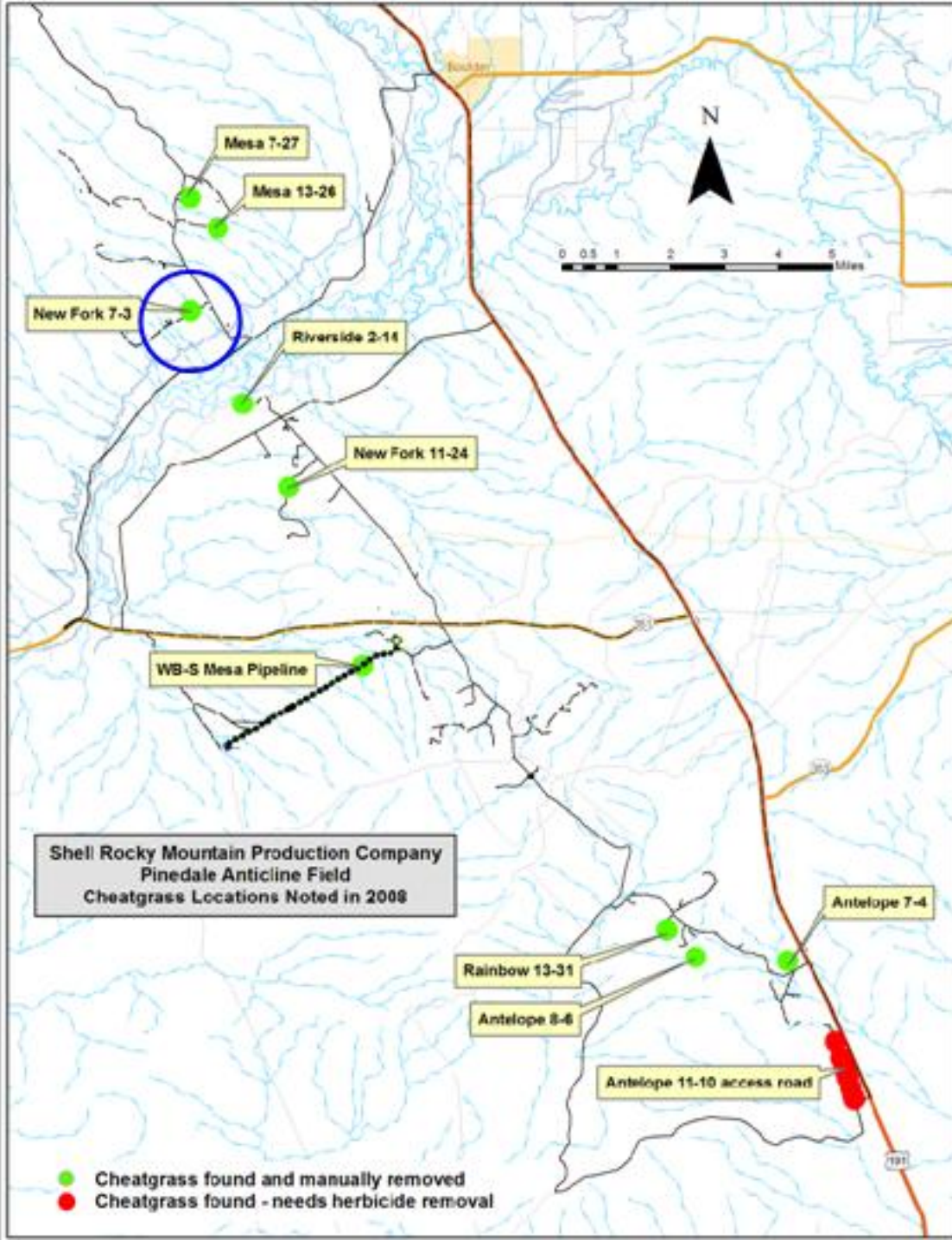
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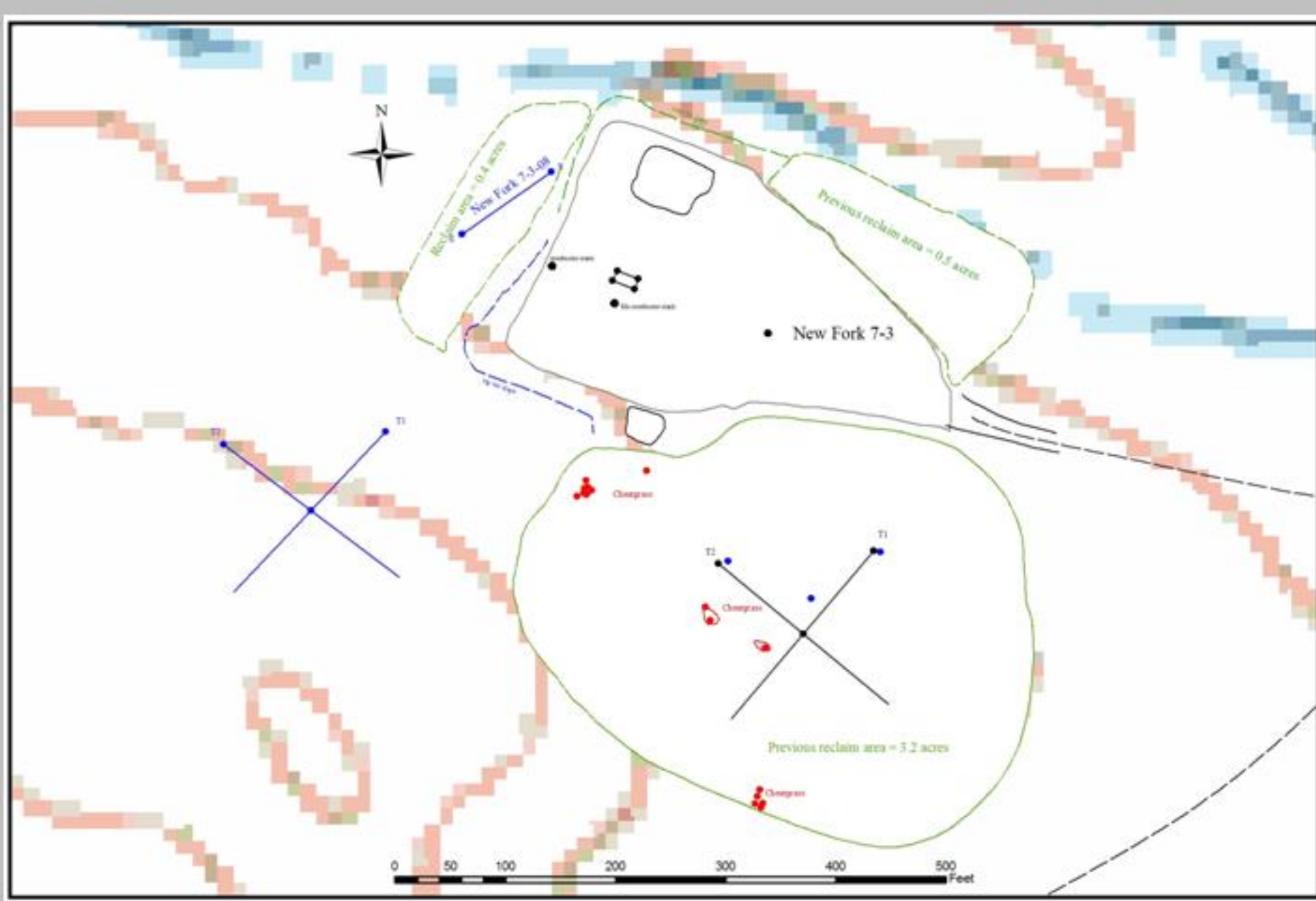
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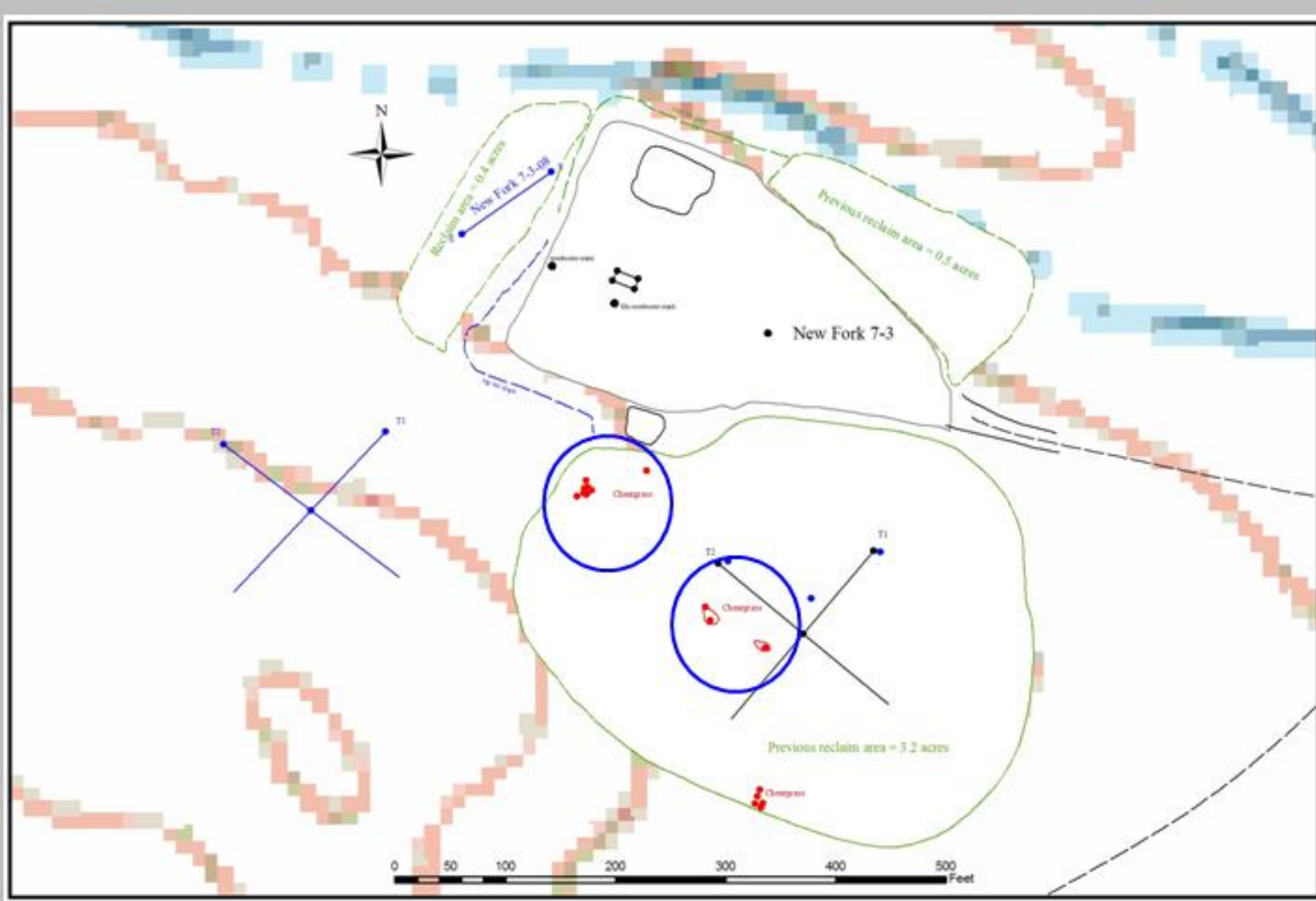
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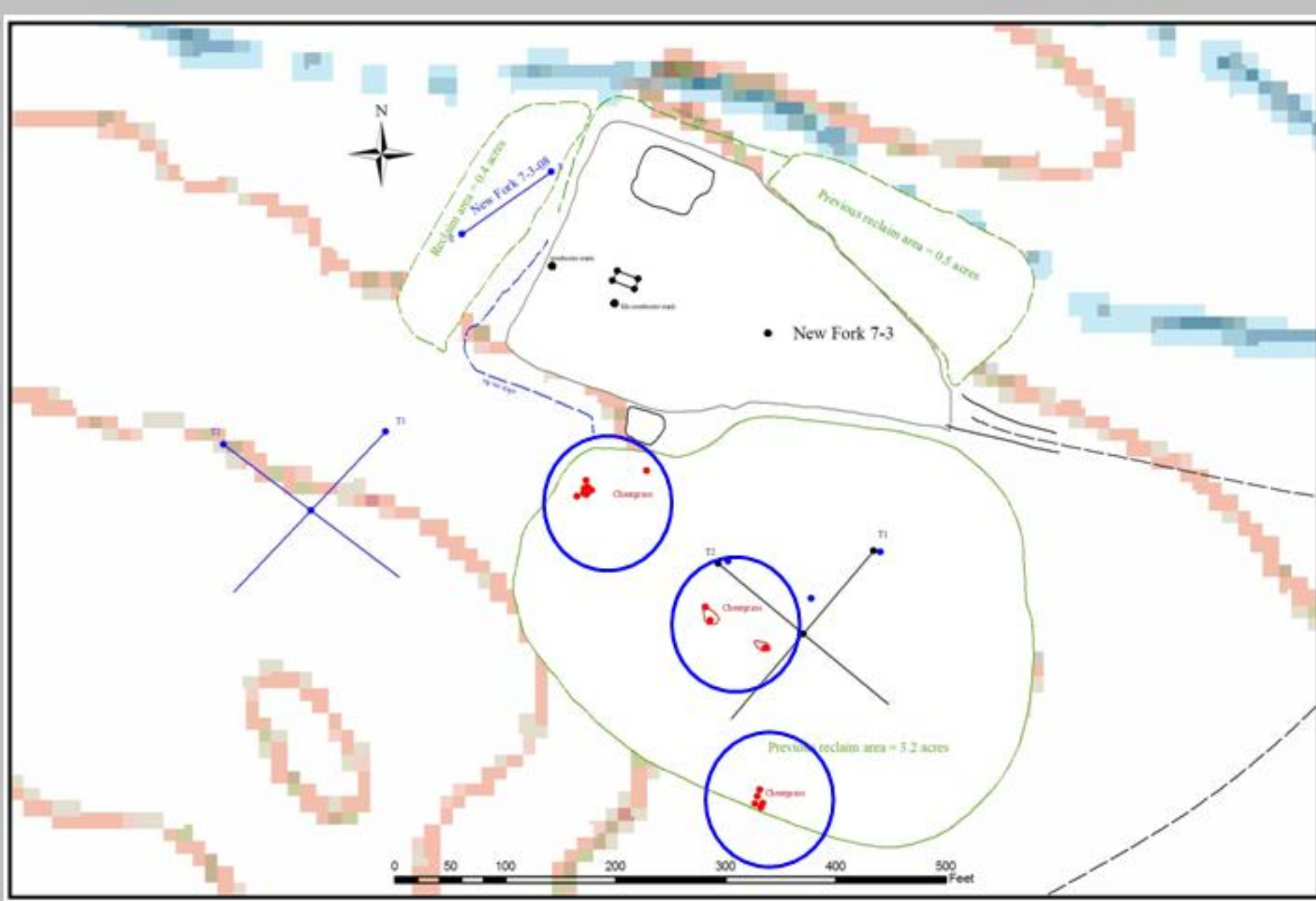
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New Fork 7-3 – drill seeded 2003; grass mix

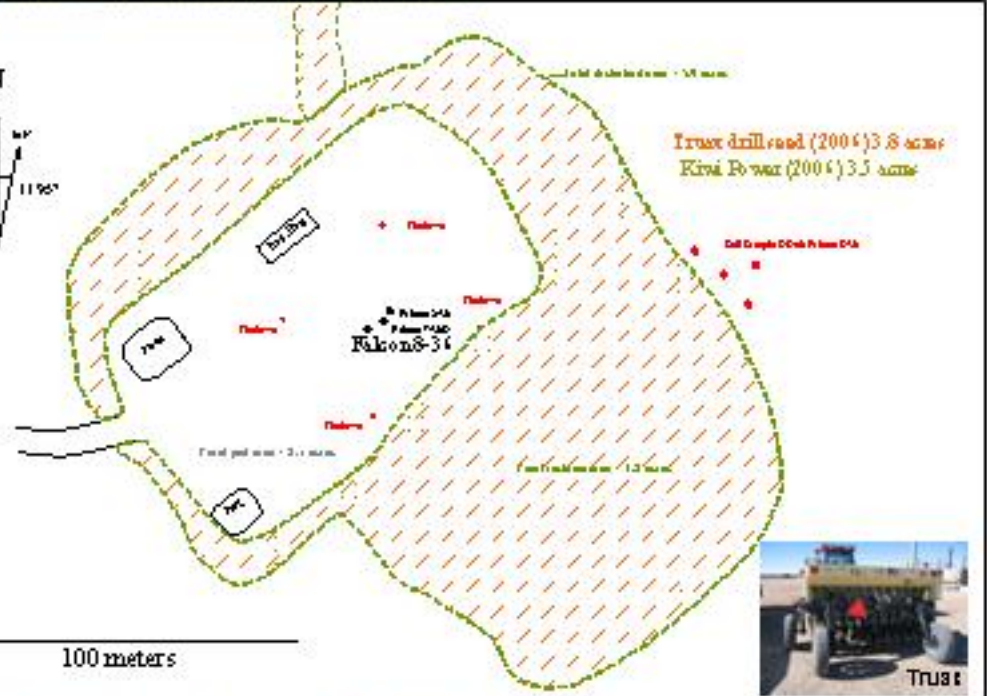
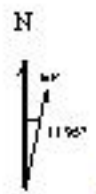
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SEEDING

N Pinedale 14-8

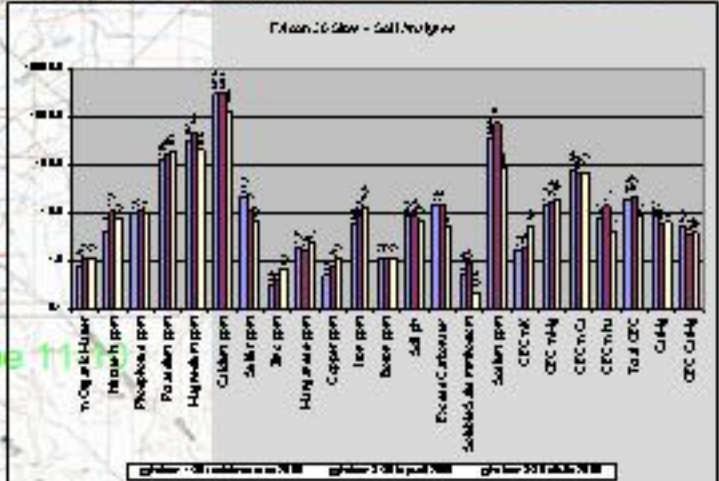
Falcon 8-36
Seeded 11/01/06
Trax drill seed & Kiwi Power

Kiwi Power applied prior to
chisel-harrowing & seeding



Species	5/Nov	5/Nov	5/Nov	7/Nov
Wheat	126	26,766	1.18	1.78
Barley	689	21,766	1.18	1.78
Parakeet Plover	689	2,485,666	5.68	6.61
NY Mag Starling	689	2,485,666	28.78	17.58
Magpie	689	1,585,666	5.21	6.81
Mobswallow	689	365,666	6.38	6.85
Swainson Warbler	126	365,666	21.28	27.78
Swainson Warbler	226	69,666	1.18	2.58
Yellow Warbler	126	1,126	1.28	1.21
Four-winged Kestrel	689	52,666	6.48	6.78
Kingbird	126	12,666	6.18	6.28
Total	1,118	12,666	16.58	16.68

- New seed: drill seeded (Trax)
- ◆ Topsoil pile: Trax & handseed
- ▲ New seed: Trax & Hydroseed
- ◇ Topsoil pile: planted, notseeded
- ROIW: drill seeded (Trax)
- Topsoil pile: Handseeded
- Re-seed: drill seeded (Trax)
- Re-seed Hillslope: Handseeded



FALCON 8-36

Notes:

Used CDL chisel to rough up seedbed surface

Used CDL 8 ft. Traux drill seeder – 7 inch row spacing

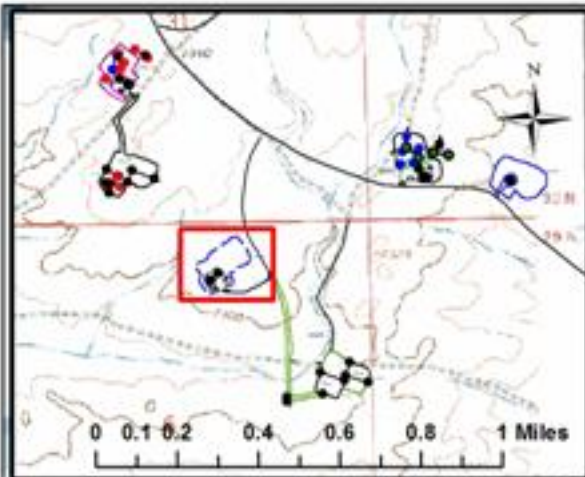
Used CDL light bar and chain drag behind Traux

- Seed mix: SH06
- 2 grass/forb mixes combined to back box and calibrated to ~7.5 lbs/ac (15 grams @ 13.25 spins) - scale was only in 5 gram increments.. 4-wing Saltbush would not flow through front box with small plastic tubes.
- Calibrated fluffy box to ~ 10 lbs/ac (#3 sprocket) and let tubes hang loose.

Seeded 11/1/06.

Kiwi Power – 17.5 gallons applied with truck-mounted sprayer (Star Valley Sod Company) on 11/1/06 over topsoil prior to chisel-disc and seeding.

Reclaimed location was very hard-packed from earth-mover wheel traffic. CDL used Challenger tractor-pulled chisel to break up surface prior to seeding.



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ANT-2-6-07-1 soil sample



ANT-2-6-07-2 soil sample



Antelope 2-6



5.2 acres
Drill Seeded Location
11/02/07 (Truax Rough Rider)
Kiwi Power applied 12/4/07
No other amendments

Antelope 2-6 Location





Control: See (CS); Drake See (DS); WFA River See (WR)

V.N.Nest

Species	A.Area	Seeds/2	Seeds/M2	% Seeds	Number	
Glebomella, Scarlet	0.05	500,000	0.52	0.53	CS	
Sandberg Bluegrass	1.50	925,000	91.35	92.41	WR	2107-N
Wormseed	1.00	50,000	1.00	1.02	WR	
Yarrow, Western	0.10	2,770,000	8.50	8.67	CS	
Arabis sp. (Thru-spike?)	0.15	951,000	1.21	1.23	WR	
W. Big Sagebrush	0.50	2,500,000	28.70	29.20	WR	2107-N
Fringed Sagebrush	0.10	4,500,000	10.61	10.80	WR	2107-N
Thruspike Wheatgrass Clonal	1.00	145,000	9.29	9.53	WR	2107-0
Slender Wheatgrass Clonal	2.00	150,000	7.90	7.93	WR	2107-0
Indian Tobacco, Ironrock	2.00	141,000	8.47	8.59	WR	2107-0
Four-winged Sagebrush	0.50	92,000	0.80	0.81	WR	
Silky Lupine, Lupinus sericeus L?	0.50	20,000	0.29	0.29	CS	
	9.40		98.23	100.00		

Fruse Range Drill (Small Seed Box + Front Box)
 Fruse Range Drill Surface Seed Box (Front Box + Middle Box)
 Fruse Range Drill (Grass "Cool Season" Box + Back Box)



Soil Samples - 200420052006

Sample number	Sample Location	Sample Type	Exp.	Moist. Content	% Organic Matter	% Total N	% Phosphorus	% Potassium	% Magnesium	% Calcium	Sulfur ppm	Chlorine ppm	Sulfur ppm	Chlorine ppm	Magnesium ppm	Copper ppm	Iron ppm	Zinc ppm	% Soil pH	Soil Index	Total CEC	Cd/Mg	CCC Co/Mg	Sand %	% Silt	% Clay	Soil Texture
2004-2005-2	W. side of 7-8 pm. See Log. 1. 1/11	RC	10-30cm	16	26	16.6	17	162	227	1455	25.6	15	9.8	15	9.8	1.6	127.1	6.8	6.2	7.1	26	11.9	6.4	75.2	26.8	6	Loamy Sand
2004-2005-1	W. side of 7-8 pm. See Log. 1. 1/11	RC	10-30cm	16	12	16.6	12	214	211	2442	21.6	6.8	1.1	6.8	17.8	6.6		7.4	7.1	19	19.9	7.3	4.4	75.2	16.8	6	Sandy Loam



Twelve Mile 1-30H 2-tracks

11/15/07



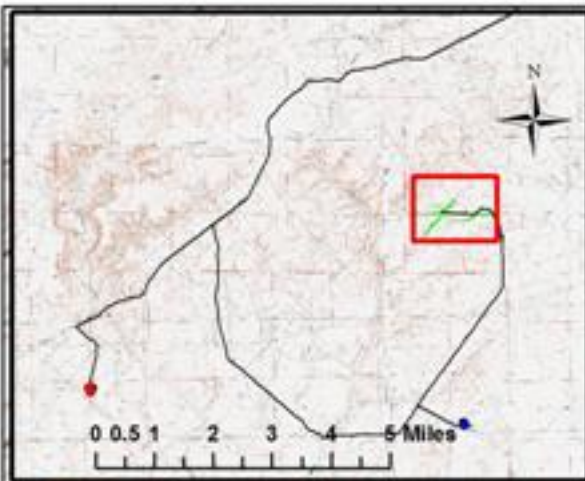
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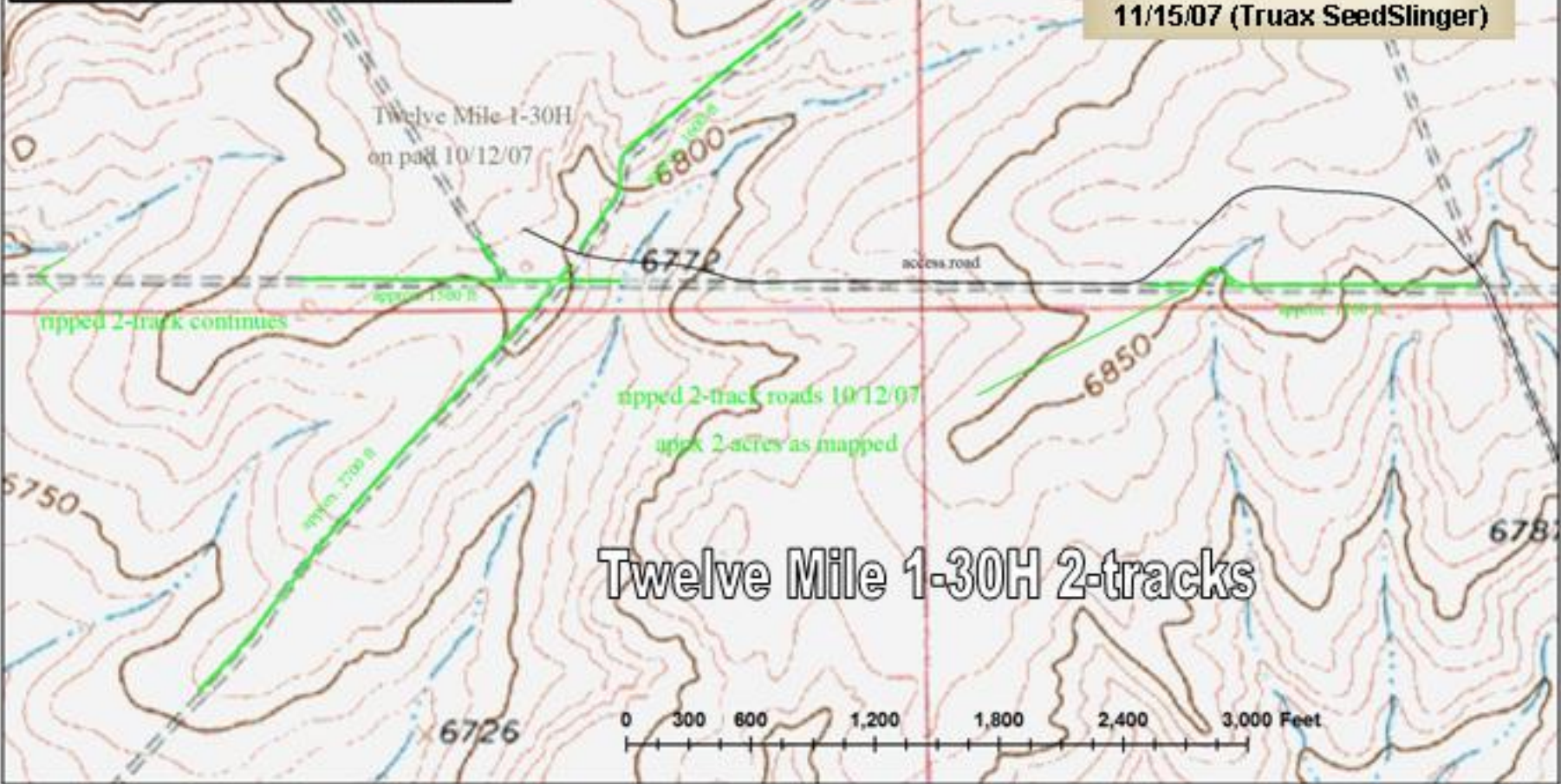
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Shell Habitat Seed Mix for Broadcastion Twelve Mile 1-30H 2-tracks

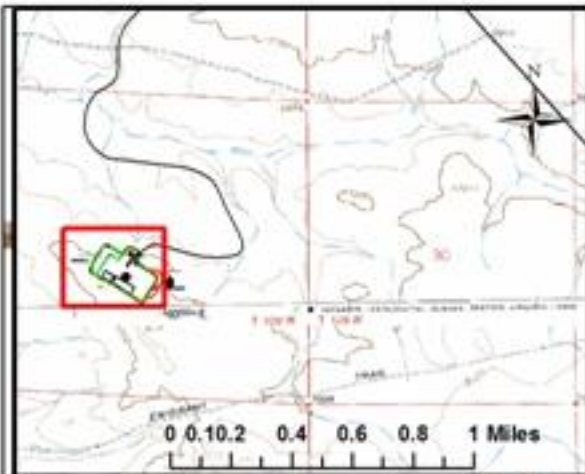
Species	PL B#/acre	Seed CW	Seed G/PT	Vendor	
Glaberrima, Bariat	0.05	500,000	0.52	CS	Frank bc. 4
Bandberg Bluegrass	1.50	925,000	31.85	WR	SHM L
Winterfat	1.00	56,700	1.30	WR	
WY Big Sagebrush	0.50	2,500,000	28.70	WR	SHM L
Fringed Sage-wort	0.10	4,535,000	10.41	WR	blend
Indian Ricegrass, Rimrock	1.00	141,000	3.24	WR	
Four-winged Saltbush	0.50	52,000	0.60	WR	SHM L
Lupine, Robinson L. polyphyllus	1.00	13,000	0.30	WR	blend
Antelope Bluebrush	0.25	15,000	0.09	WR	



2.5 acres
Broadcast Seeded 2-tracks
with chain drag
11/15/07 (Truax SeedSlinger)



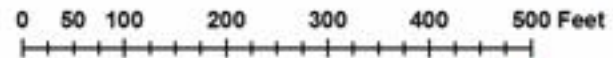
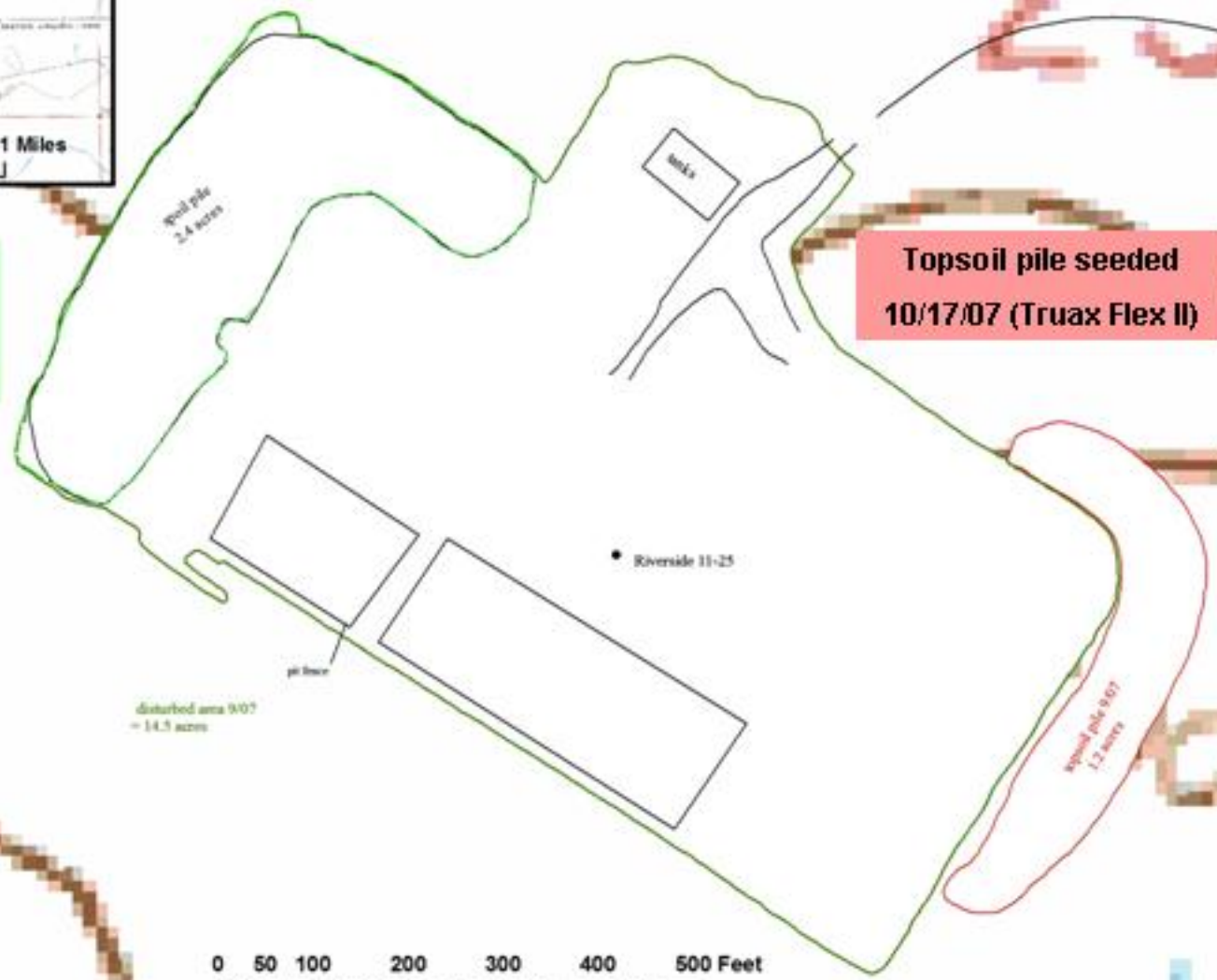
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Riverside 11-25 spoil pile and topsoil pile

Spoil pile seeded
10/17/07 (Truax Flex II)
10/24/07 (hydroseeder)

Topsoil pile seeded
10/17/07 (Truax Flex II)





10/17/07



10/24/07



10/17/07

Riverside 11-25 spoil pile and topsoil pile

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- 4 lb/Acre Zinc - liquid form
- 10 lb/Acre Urea
- 25 lb/Acre P205
- 30 lb/Acre K2O
- 1 ton/Acre Fertile-Fibers
- 5 gal/Acre Kiwi Power
- 65 gal/Acre Atlas Soil Loc
- 20 lb/Acre Tack Fibers
- 52 lb/Acre Stronghold Fibers

Grass Mix for Spoil Piles (GSP)						VR Need
Species	#/Acre	Seed cW	Seed CF2	% Seed c	Vendor	
WV Big Bage	0.25	2,500,000	14.35	12.95	WVR	GGP41
Bagebruch Louisiana	0.10	4,500,000	10.39	9.26	WVR	GGP41
Bandberg Bluegrass	2.00	925,000	42.47	38.08	WVR	GGP41
Blender Whitegrass Perennial	4.00	159,000	14.80	13.09	WVR	GGP40
Bluebonnet Wheatgrass Perennial	3.00	140,000	9.54	8.64	WVR	GGP40
Indian Bluegrass Perennial	3.00	141,000	9.71	8.71	WVR	GGP40
Cereal Barley Hardtail	20.00	11,000	5.05	4.53	CS	
	32.25		111.54	100.00		

Drill seed 2/3 of mix (Thurs Flex 10)
 Hydroseed Mix (includes 1/3 of GSP-B mix)

Grass Mix for Topsoil Pile c (STP)						VR Need
Species	A/Acre	Seeds cW	Seeds CF2	% Seeds c	Vendor	
Bandberg Bluegrass	2.00	925,000	42.47	47.40	WVR	
WV Big Bage	0.25	2,500,000	14.35	15.61	WVR	
Blender Whitegrass Perennial	4.00	159,000	14.80	16.23	WVR	GTP40
Bluebonnet Wheatgrass Perennial	3.00	140,000	9.54	10.78	WVR	GTP40
Indian Bluegrass Perennial	2.84	141,000	9.56	9.54	WVR	GTP40
	11.29		99.81	100.00		

From Flac. 11D41 Small Seed Box (+F cont. Box)
 From Flac. 11D41 Surface Seed Box (+Fully Box + Middle Box)
 From Flac. 11D41 Grass "Cool Season" Box (+ Back Box)

Soil Samples

Sample Number	Sample Location	Sample Type	Depth	% Organic Matter	Nitrate N ppm	Phosphate ppm	Potassium ppm	Magnesium ppm	Calcium ppm	Sulfur ppm	Zinc ppm	Manganese ppm	Copper ppm	Iron ppm	Boron ppm	Soil pH	Soluble Salts mmol/L/cm	Sodium ppm	Total CEC	Cu/Mg	CEC Cu/Mg	Gravel	% Silica	% Clay	Soil Texture
RIV 11-25 SP-27	Riverside 11-25 spoil pile	SP	0-10 cm	6.7	1.6	14	81	41	262	67.6	6.2	1.7	6.4	52	6.9	8.4	6.4	241	21.2	75	4.5	17.2	16.4	6	Loamy Sand

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MONITORING











Date:	7/27/2005
Transect Name:	Rainbow 11-31-05
Transect Length (ft.):	200
Observers:	Dale, Carr

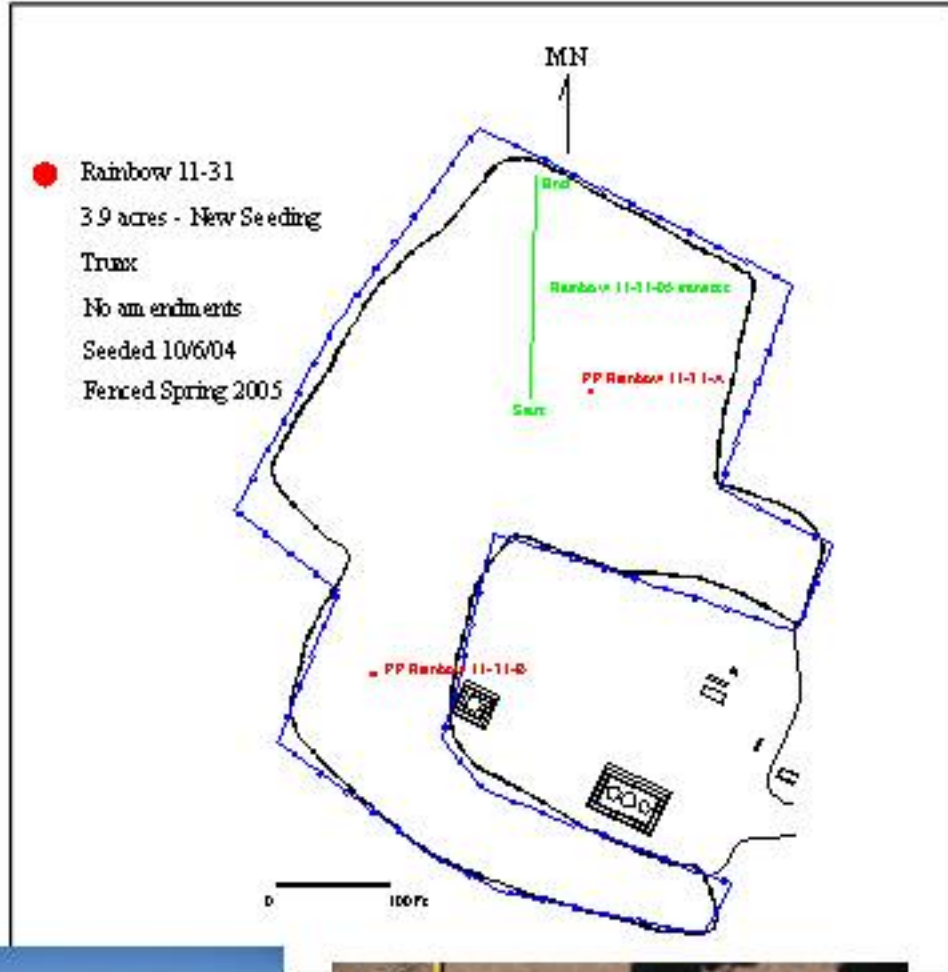
Basal Ground Cover Point Intercept	
Grass	5%
Forb	5%
Shrub	
Bare Ground	90%
Gravel	
Rock	
Litter	
Woody Litter	
Cryptogam	

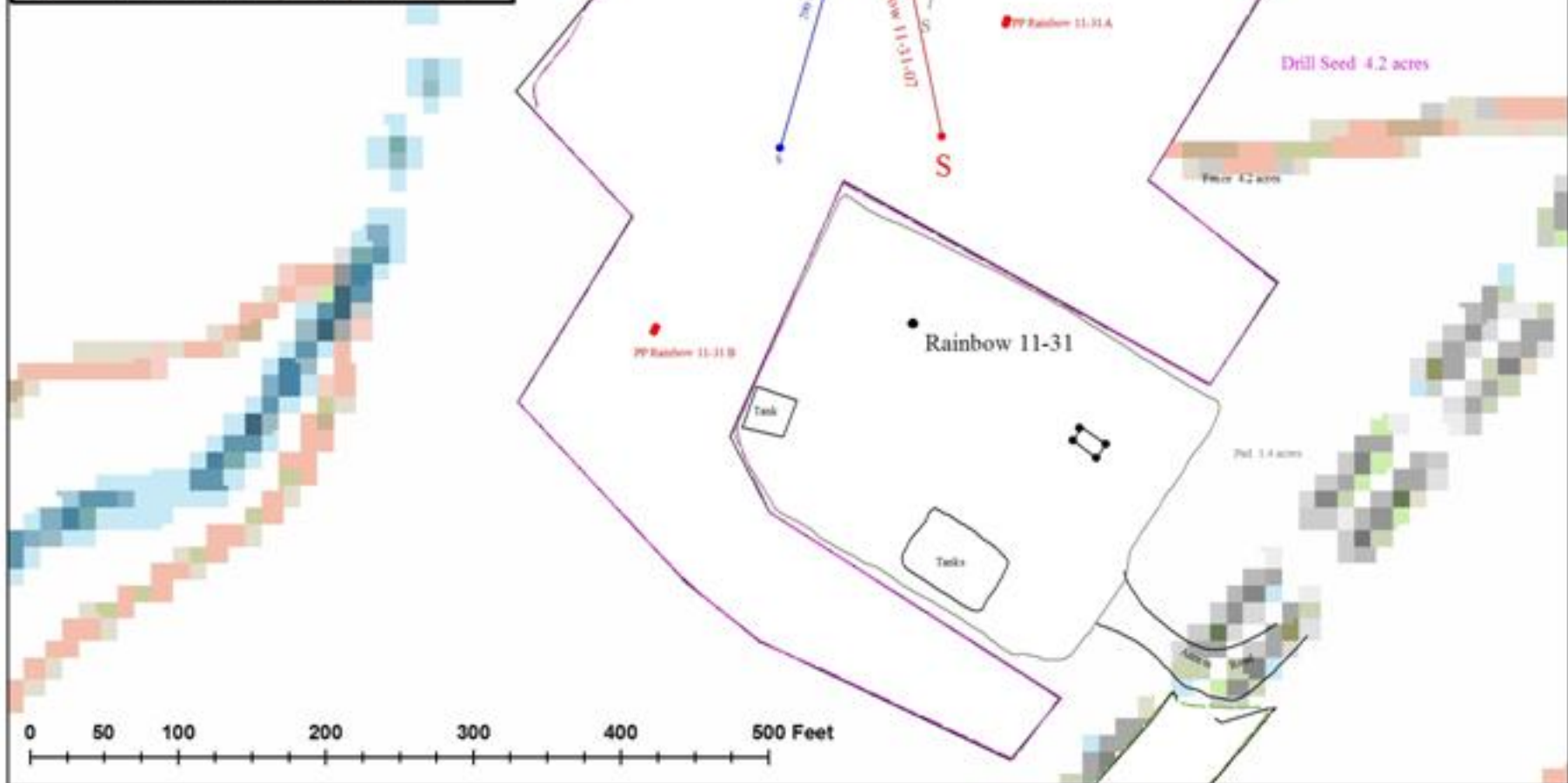
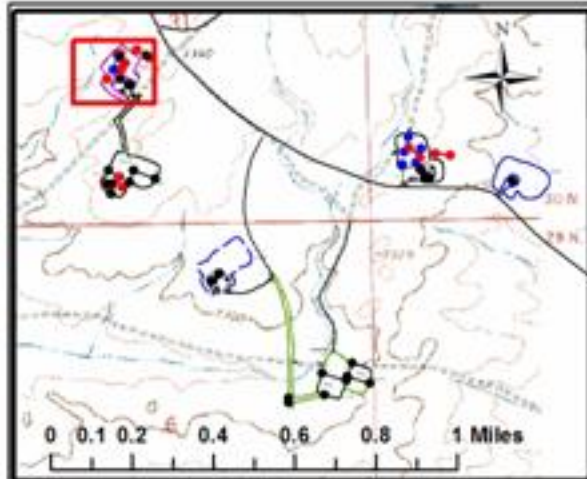
	Mean (cm)	Std Dev.
Sage Ht w/in 5 ft radius (excl. no-sage points):	3.7	1.0
Sage Ht w/in 5 ft radius (incl. all points):	3.7	1.0
Total % canopy:	0.69%	

Species	% Composition
Undesirable forbs	52.1
Sandberg Bluegrass	21.6
Sage	12.1
Ricegrass	10.5
Unkn. forb 2	2.1
Lupine	0.5
Unkn. forb 1	0.5
Four-wing saltbush	0.5
Yarrow	0.0

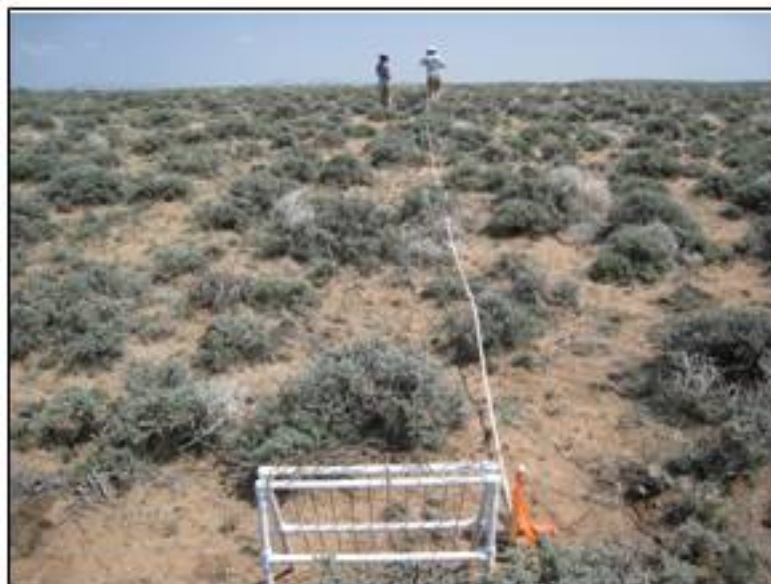
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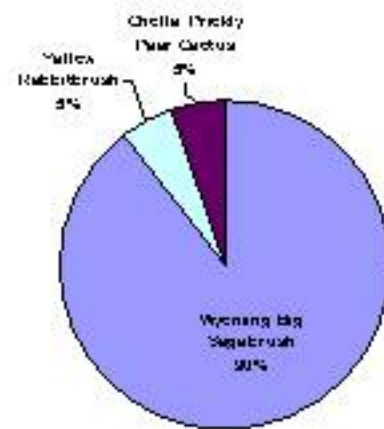




Rainbow 11-31-07-OS Offsite



2007 relative basal ground cover data 10 point frames (2000 points total)



Grasses

Shrubs

200 ft Transect

5/15/07

Average shrub heights (n of 20 pts):

WB Sage = 245 mm (20)

Percent Canopy Cover:

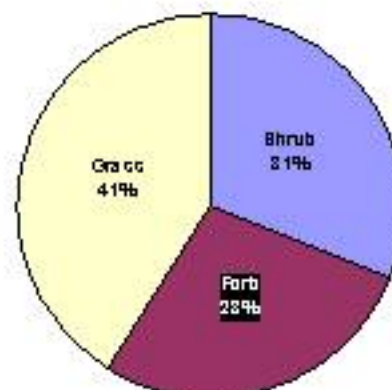
TOTAL: 30.70%

WB Sage = 30.50%

Y Rabbitbrush = 0.20%



Shrub Density
(plants/m²)



Vegetation



2007 belt and line transect data

Rainbow 11-31-07 Onsite



200 ft Transect

5/15/07

Average shrub heights (n of 20 pts):

WB Sage = 71 mm (20)

Winterfat = 60 mm (1)

Fourwing Saltbush = 64 mm (7)

Y Rabbitbrush = 70 mm (2)

Percent Canopy Cover:

TOTAL: 6.32%

WB Sage = 6.26%

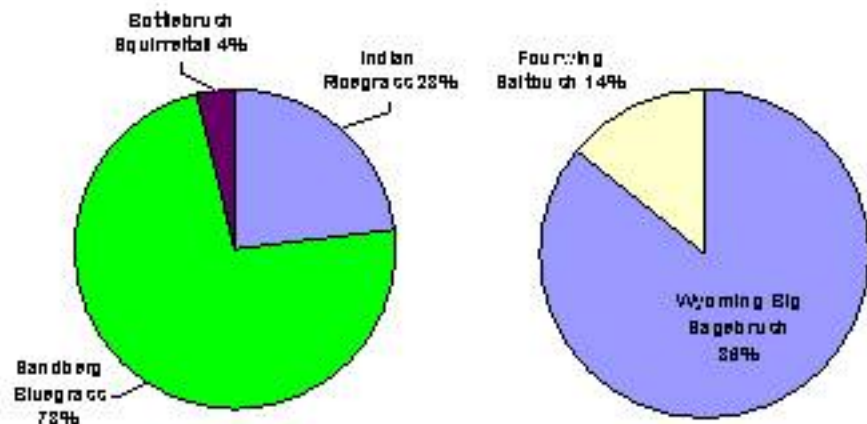
Fourwing Saltbush = 0.06%



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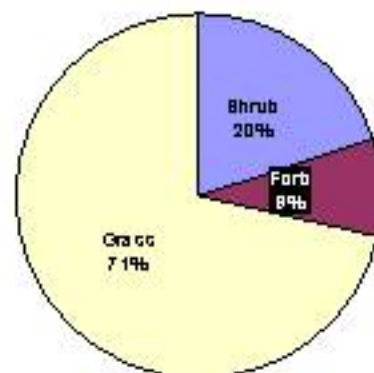


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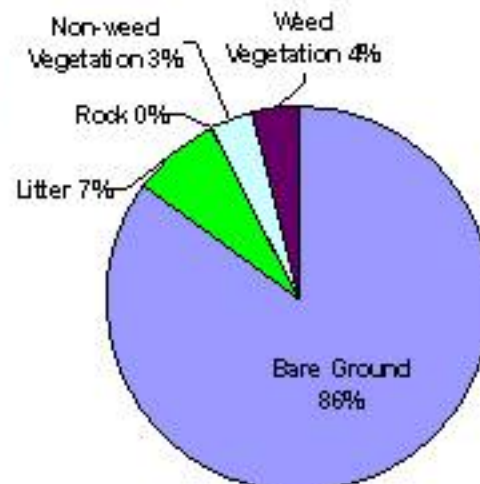
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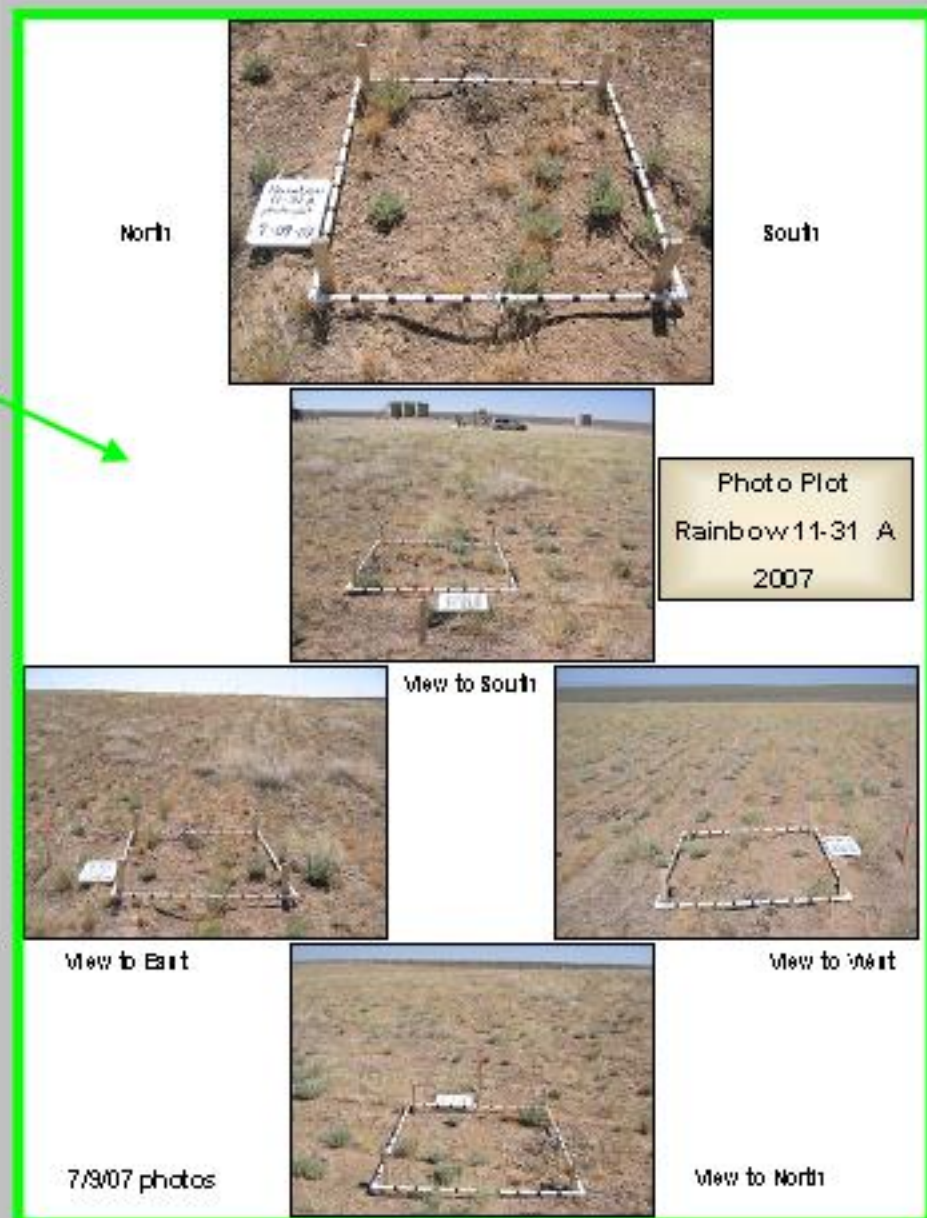
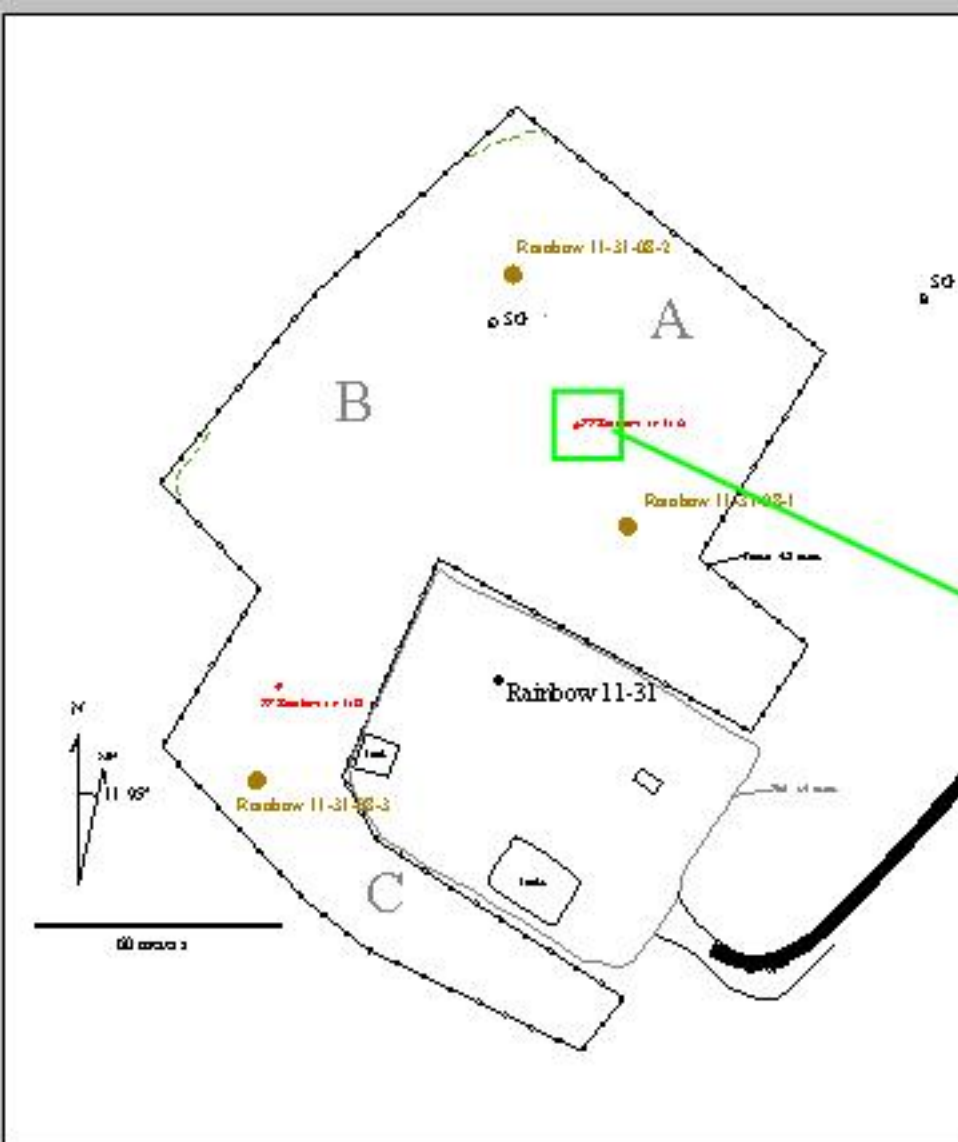


Weeds



Non-Weed Vegetation





Rainbow 11-31: Onsite Data Summary

Datum: NAD 83 UTM Zone: 12
 Vegetation Type: Sagebrush-Steppe
 Date Last Seeded: 10/06/2004 Seeded Area Type: P1
 Seed Mix: ARTRW, ARTRWS, ATCA2, KRLAL, ACHY, POSE, ACLA3, LUP02, PEPF2, SPC0
 Data Collected By: Fovik, Lingle, and Black
 Point Center: Easting: 611020.41 Northing: 4708848.00
 Residue Acres: 4.2 Current Growing Season: 4

QUANTITATIVE EVALUATION ELEMENTS

% Total Canopy Cover: 45.00
 % Canopy Cover Compared to Reference (Goal >50%): 76
 % Canopy Cover Comprised of Desirable spp. (Goal >50%): 84
 % Shrub Cover: 12.50
 % Grass Cover: 30.50
 % Forb Cover: 3.5
 % Weed Cover (Goal <15%): 7.00
 % Litter: 31.00
 % Lichen: 0.00
 % Moss: 0.00
 % Rock: 4.50
 % Bare Ground: 39.50

Diversity Index (Goal >0.50): 0.62
 Shrub Density (Goal >50% of Reference x 30977/acre - 330%)
 ARTRWS Density: 30445/acre
 Average Shrub Height (Inches): 3.91
 Shrub Decadence: 0.00
 Highest % Cover of a Single Species: 18.00/ACHY

QUALITATIVE EVALUATION ELEMENTS

Site Free of Trash: Yes
 Stable Soil Surface/Subsurface: Yes
 Runoff/Erosion Evident: No
 Area Dominated by Weeds/Undesirables: No
 Noxious Weeds Present: No
 Vegetative Reproduction: Yes
 Site Stabilized by Vegetation: Yes
 Evidence of New Disturbance: No
 Area Utilized by Wildlife: Yes

ADDITIONAL VEGETATION DATA

Dominant Shrub: ARTRWS
 Subdominant Shrub: no subdominant
 Dominant Grass: ACHY
 Subdominant Grass: POSE
 Dominant Forb: SAKA
 Subdominant Forb: HAGL

PELLET TRANSECT DATA (Groups)

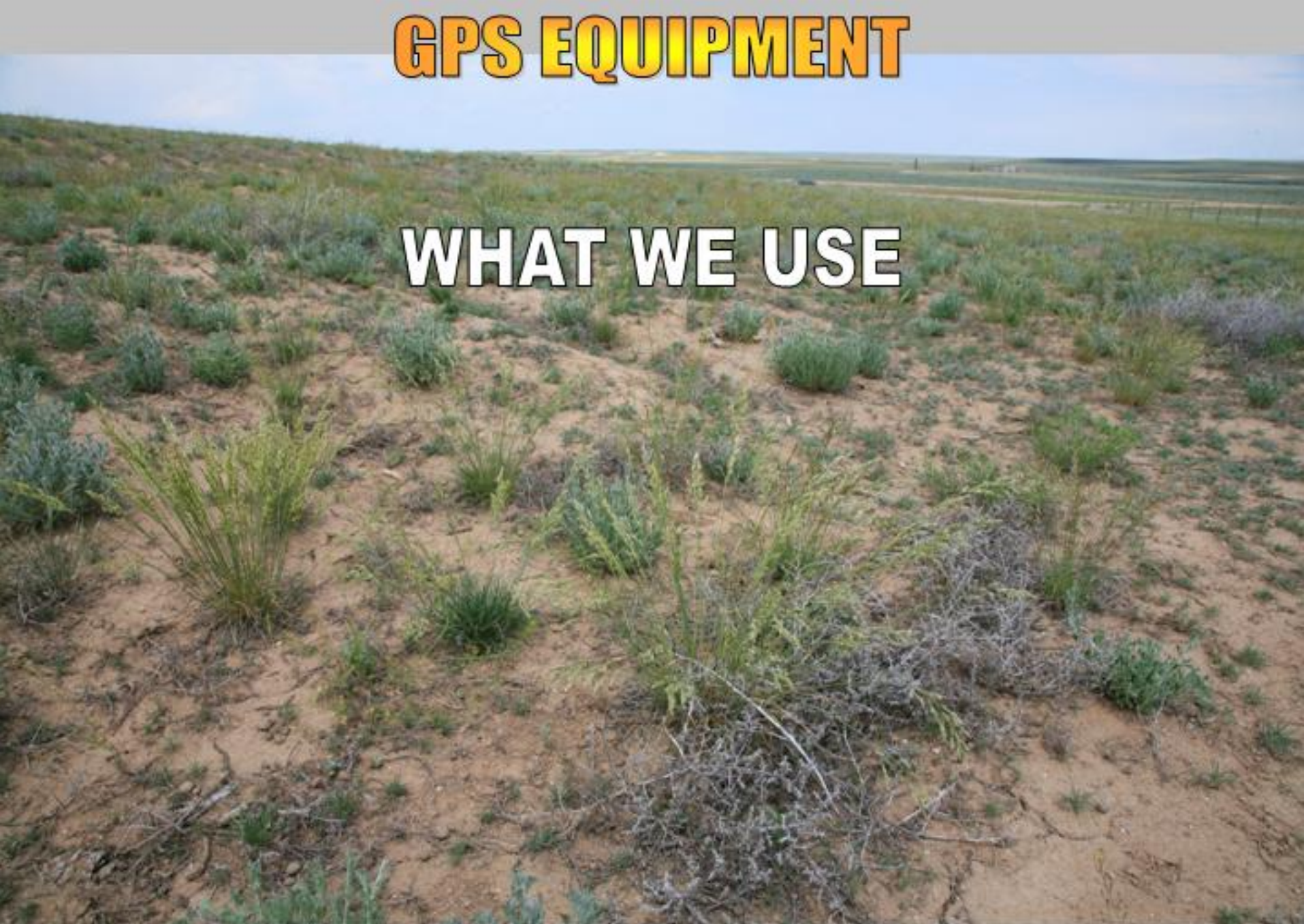
Antelope: 4
 Jackrabbit: 4

Does site fully meet revegetation success protocol? Yes



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Vehicle-mounted - highway/off-road

Accuracy ~ +/- 30 ft

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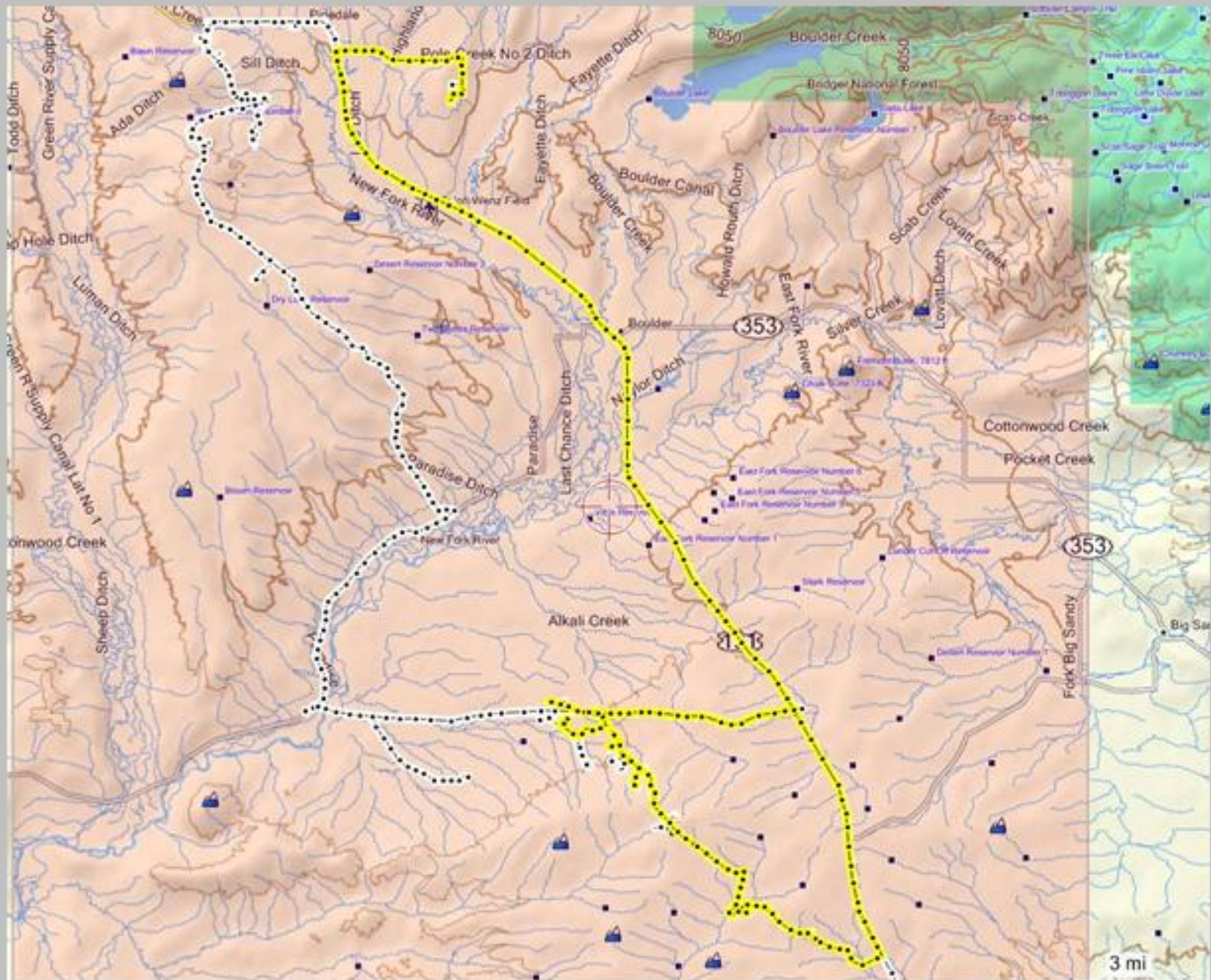
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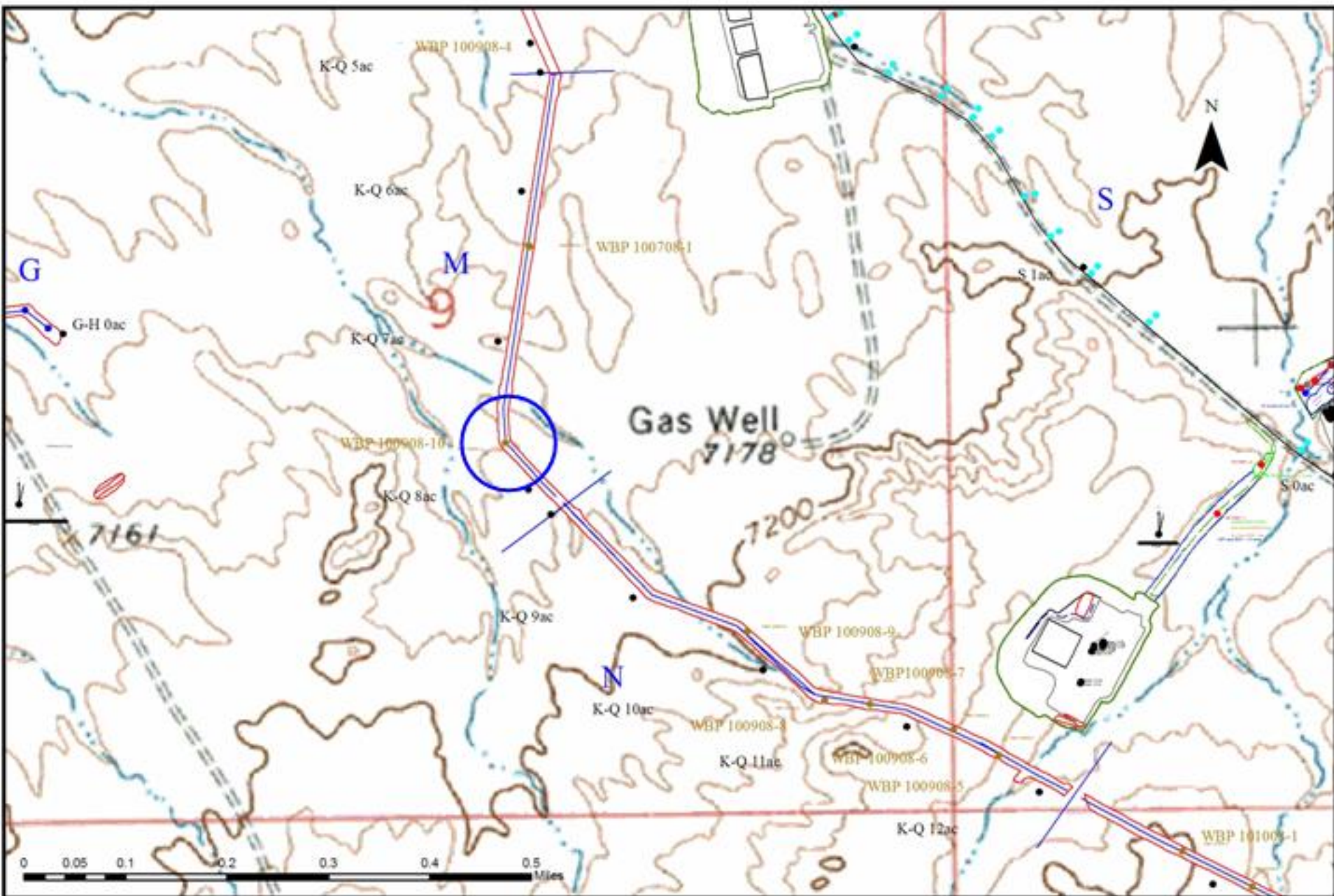
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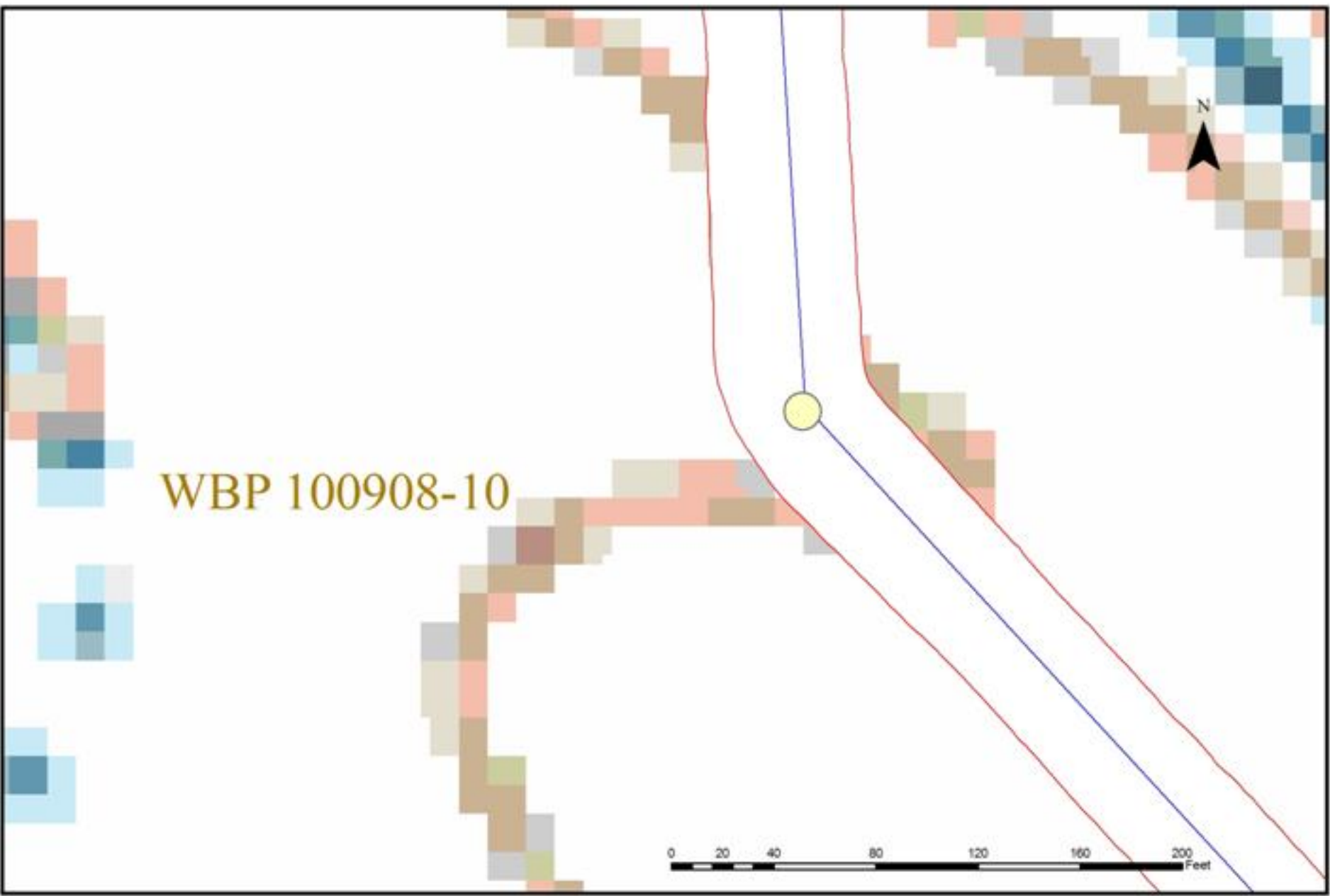


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Hand-held mapping grade

Accuracy ~ +/- 1-3 ft

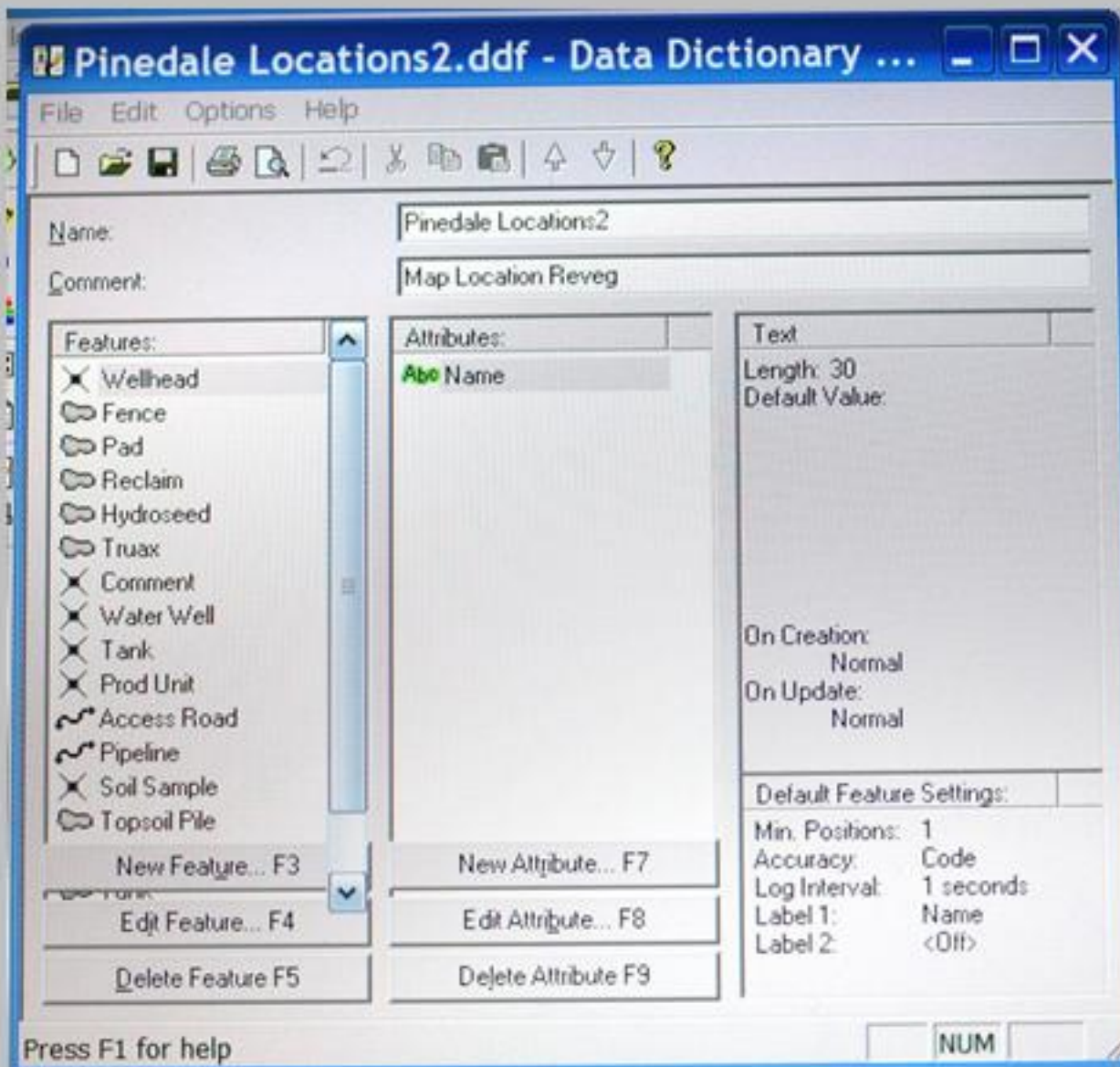
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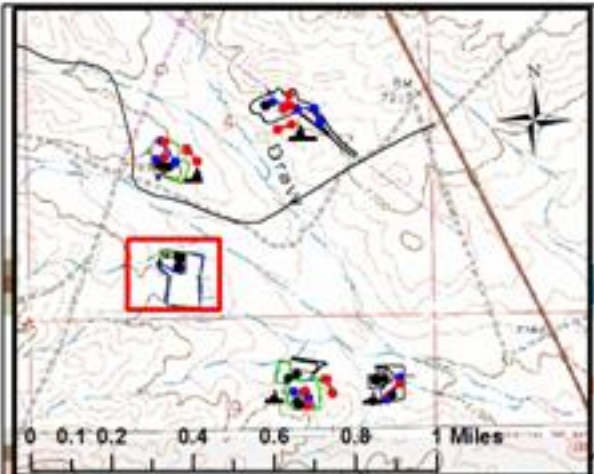
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TRACTOR-MOUNTED GPS



Antelope 14-4 Location

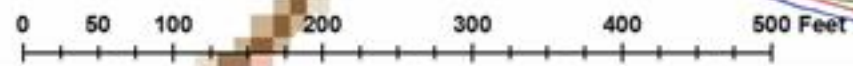


Truax seeder track (GPS)

Previously disturbed area = 7.3 acres

2007 reclaim area = approx 60 acres

6.0 acres
Drill Seeded Location
11/05/07 (Truax Rough Rider)
Kiwi Power applied 12/4/07
No other amendments



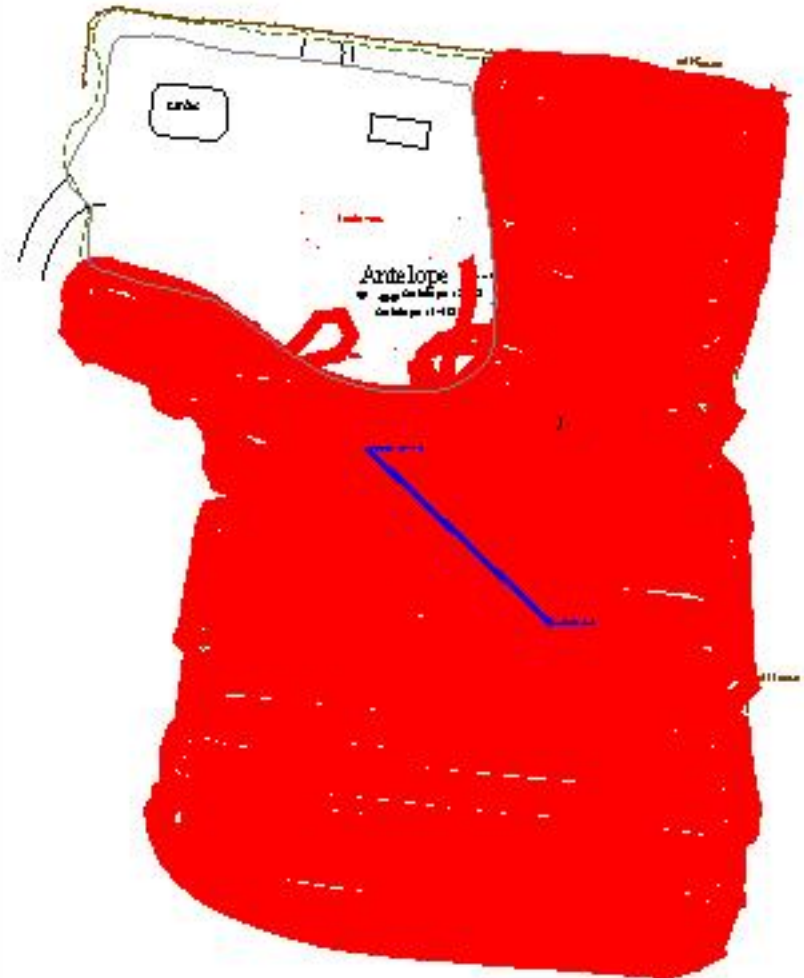
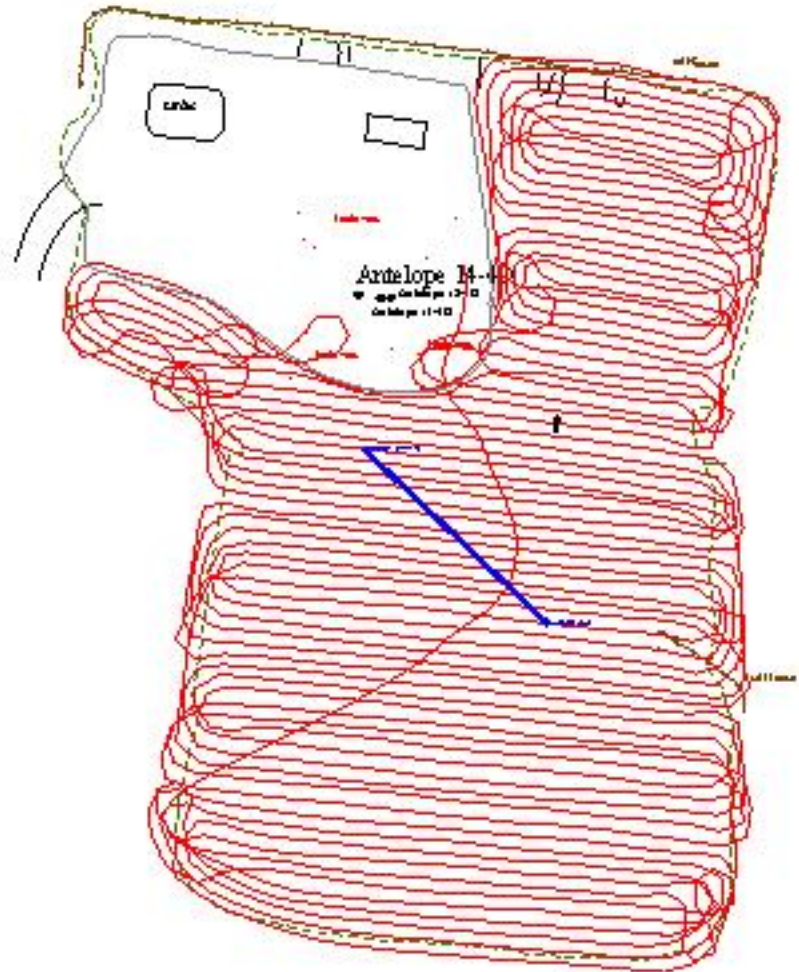


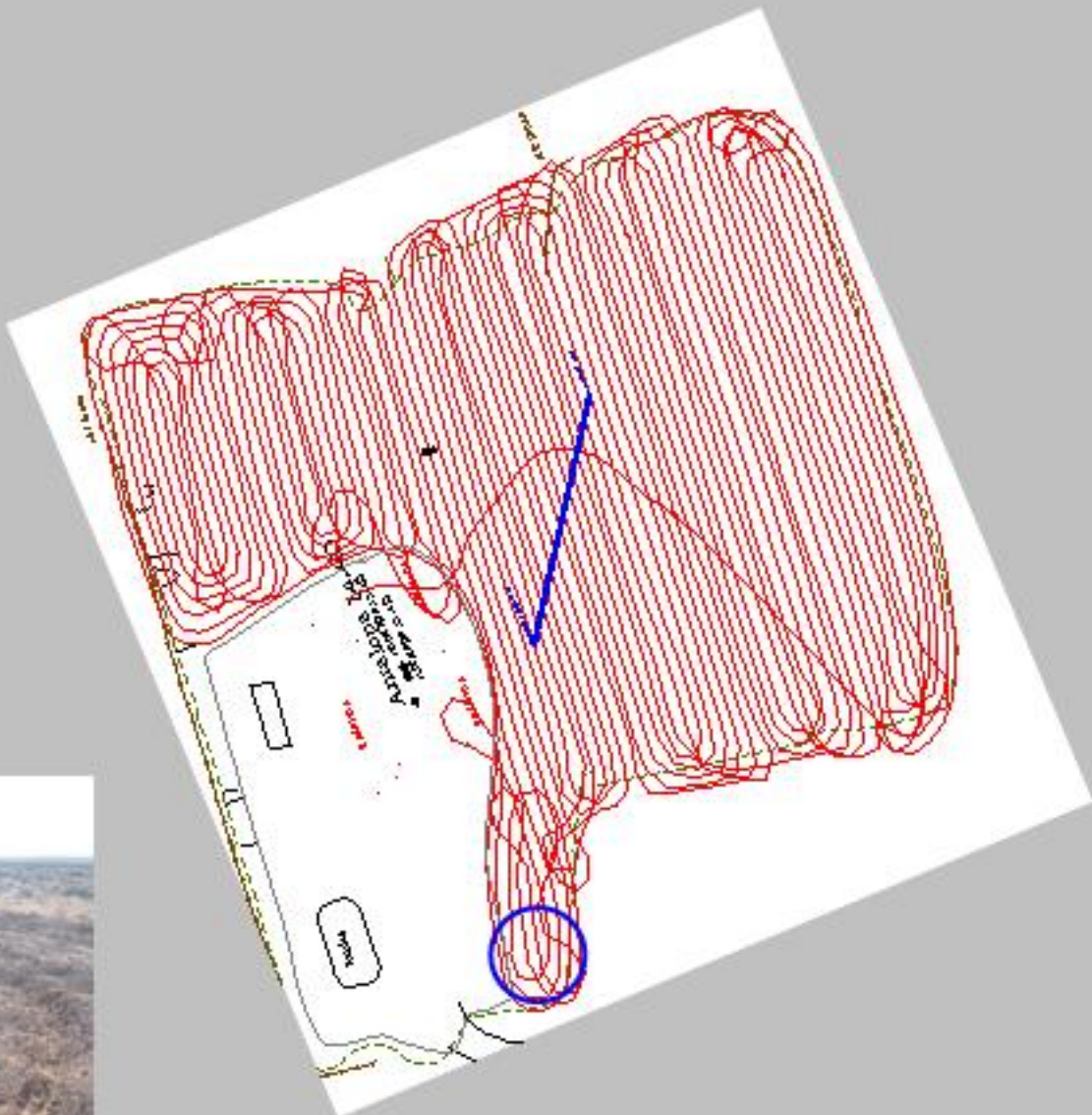
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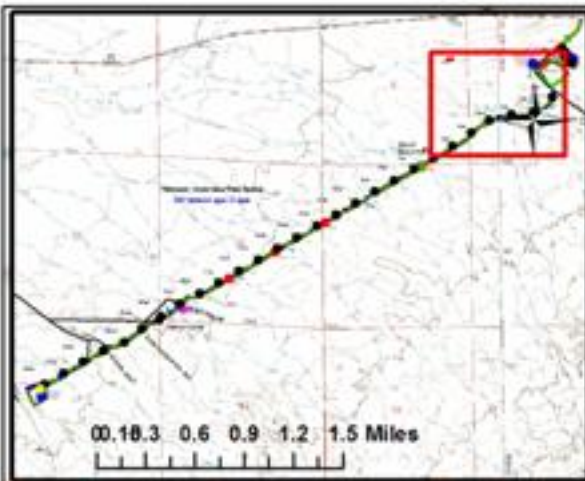
Cornlock Seed (CS), Granite Seed (GS), Wind River Seed (WR)						V/E Seed
Species	A. Area	Seeds/ft ²	Seeds/ft ²	% Seeds	Yield/yr	
Gobemitea, Sparlet	0.05	500,000	0.52	0.50	CS	S1K7M S1K7M S1K7M S1K7D S1K7D S1K7D
Sandberg Bluegrass	1.50	925,000	91.25	92.41	WR	
Wentworth	1.00	50,000	1.50	1.52	WR	
Yarrow, Wadswell	0.10	2,770,000	0.50	0.47	CS	
Thurstonian, western (Panicum 1?)	0.15	951,000	1.21	1.23	WR	
W. Big Sagebrush	0.50	2,500,000	23.70	23.30	WR	
Tringid Sagebrush	0.10	4,500,000	10.41	10.00	WR	
Thudiptoid Wheatgrass, Orange	1.00	145,000	9.99	9.99	WR	
Slender Wheatgrass, Barren	2.00	150,000	7.50	7.49	WR	
Indian Kinggrass, Black	2.00	141,000	8.47	8.50	WR	
Four-winged Saltbrush	0.50	52,000	0.80	0.81	WR	
Silky Lupine, Lupinus albus L?	0.50	20,000	0.29	0.29	GS	
	9.40		93.23	100.00		

	h us. Range Drill (Small Seed Box + Front Box)
	h us. Range Drill Surface Seed Box (Fluffy Box + Middle Box)
	h us. Range Drill (Grass "Cool Season" Box + Back Box)

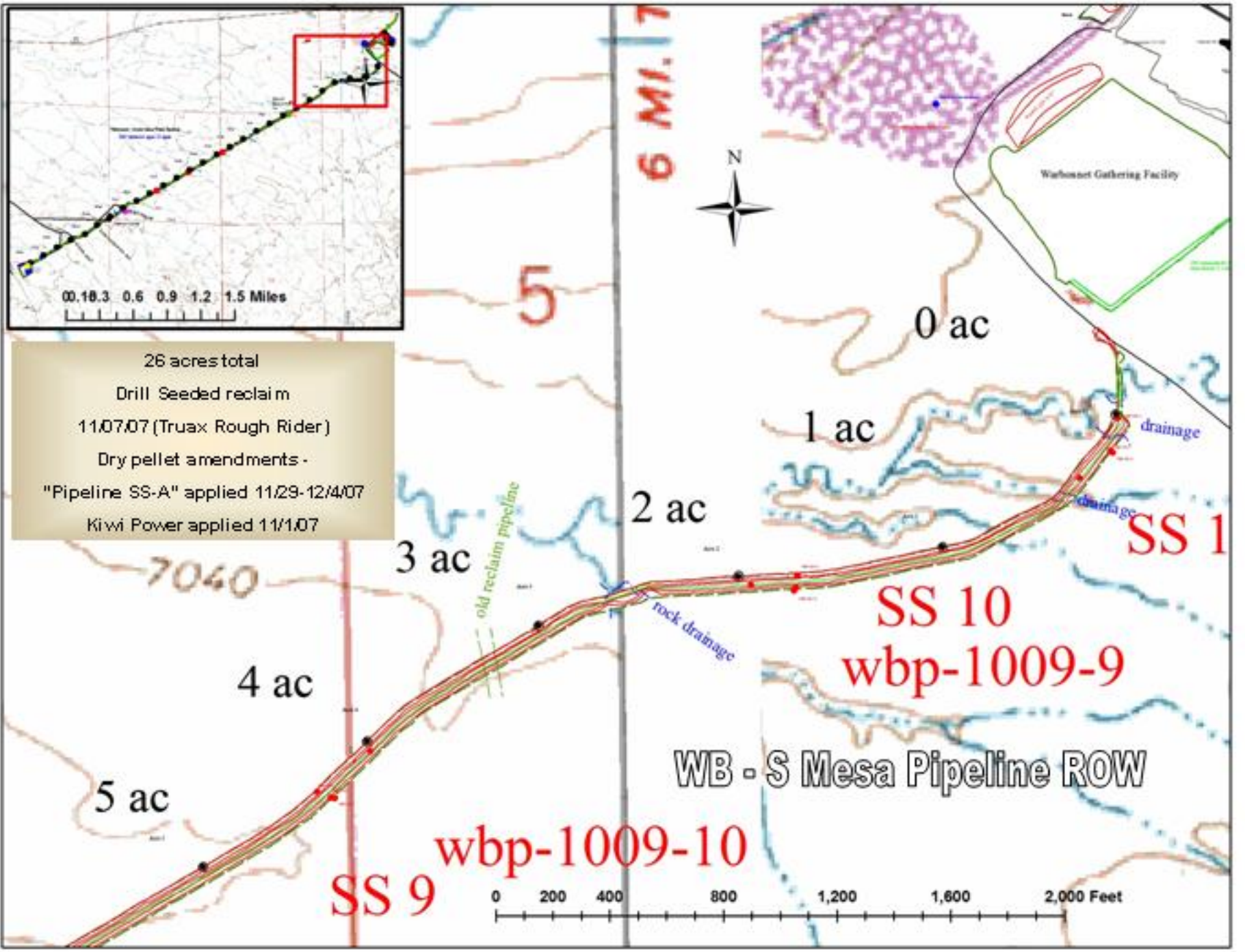








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Warbasset Gathering Facility

0 ac

1 ac

2 ac

3 ac

4 ac

5 ac

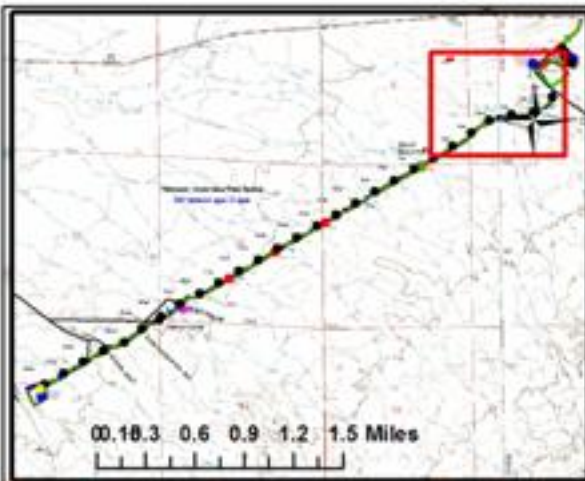
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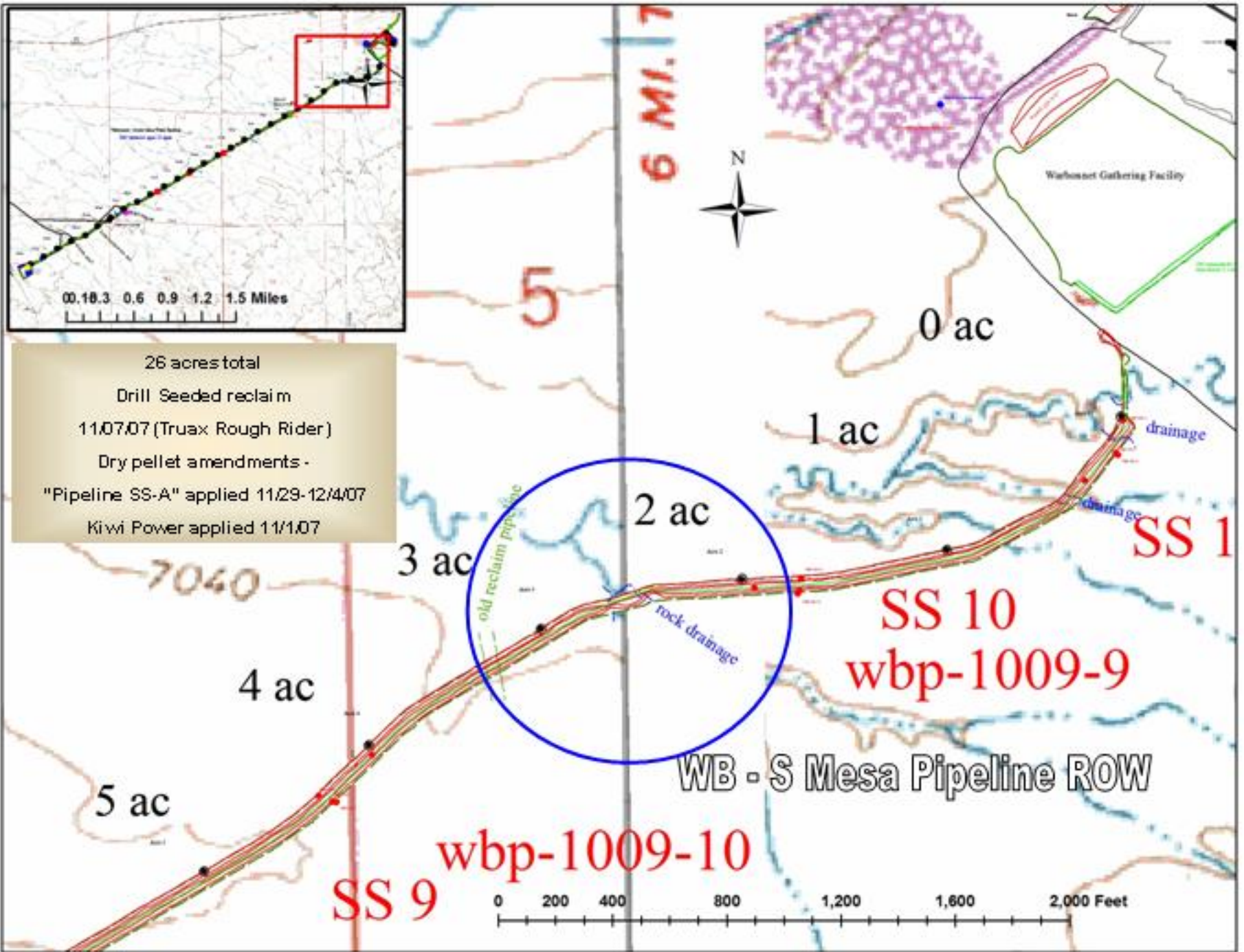
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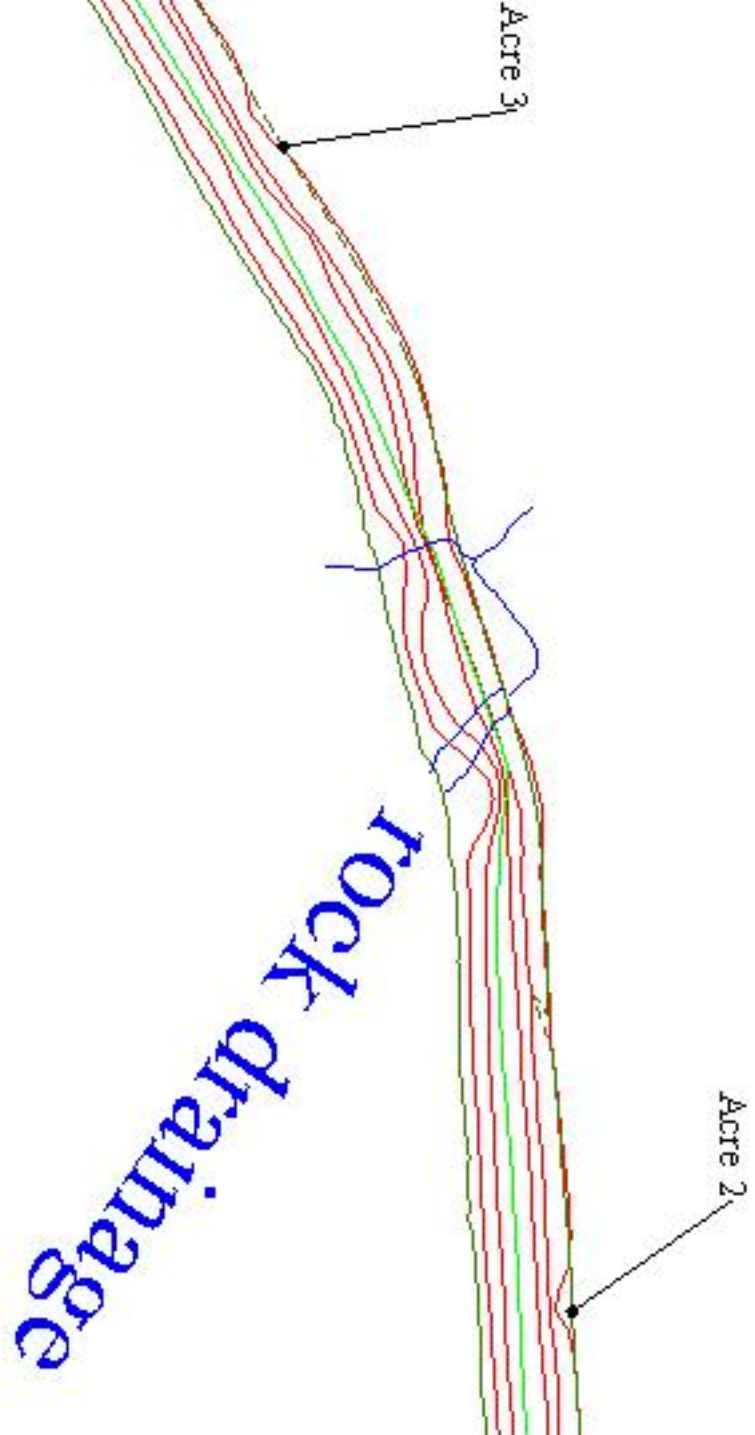
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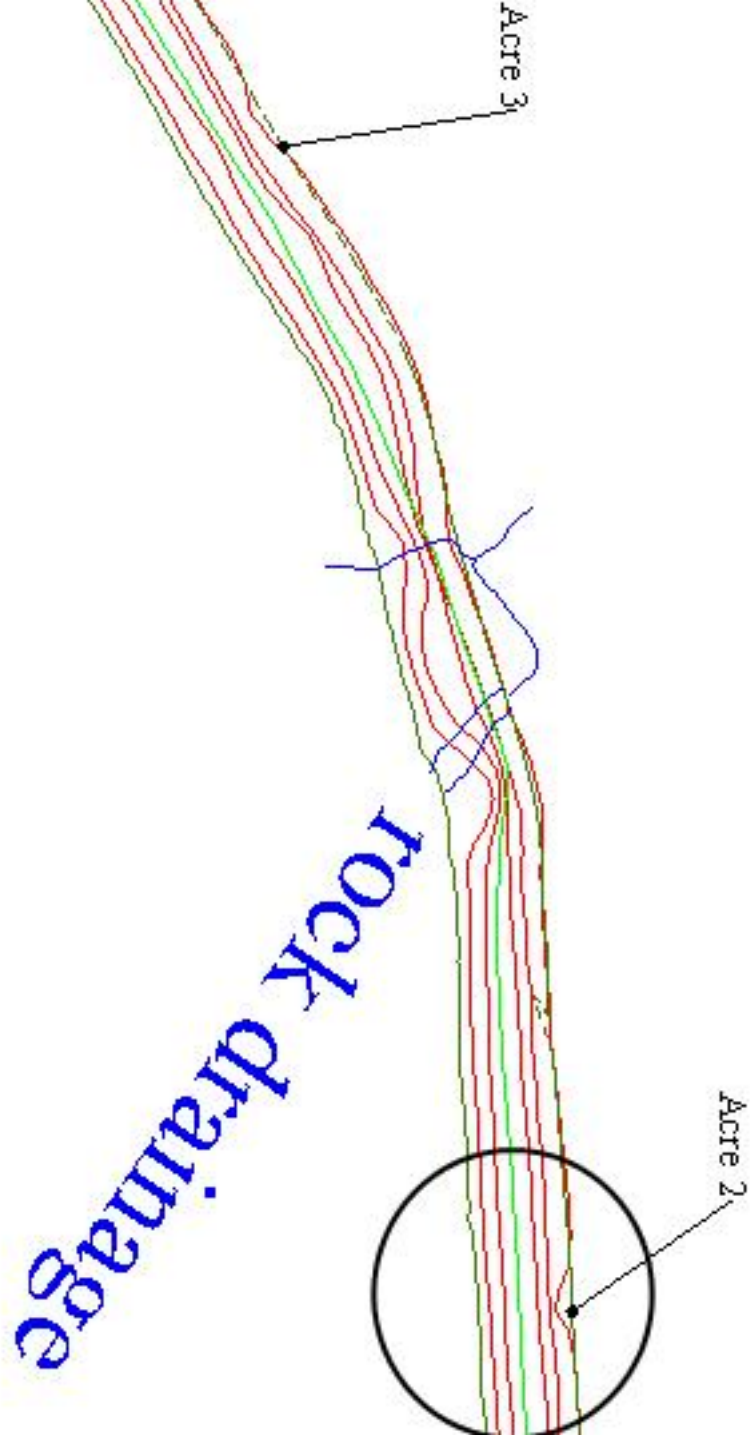
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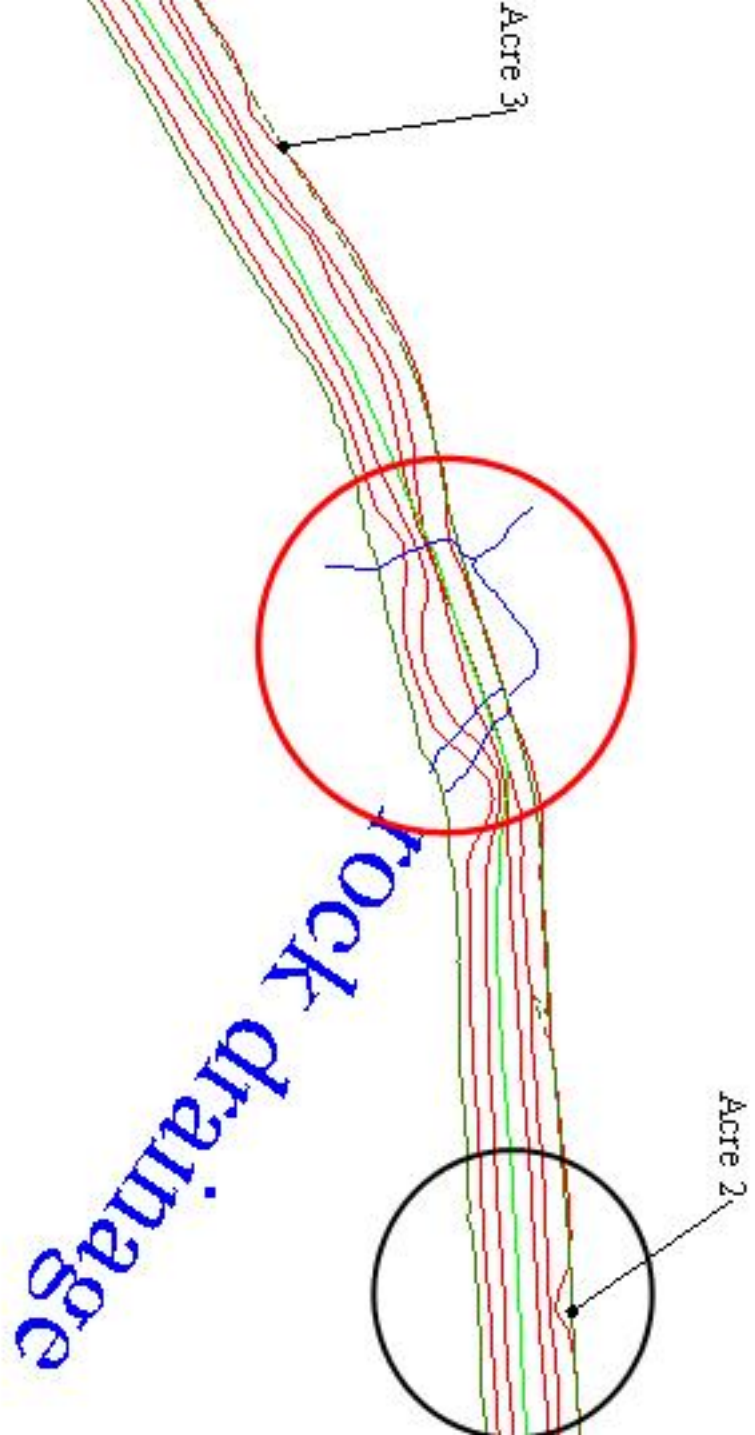


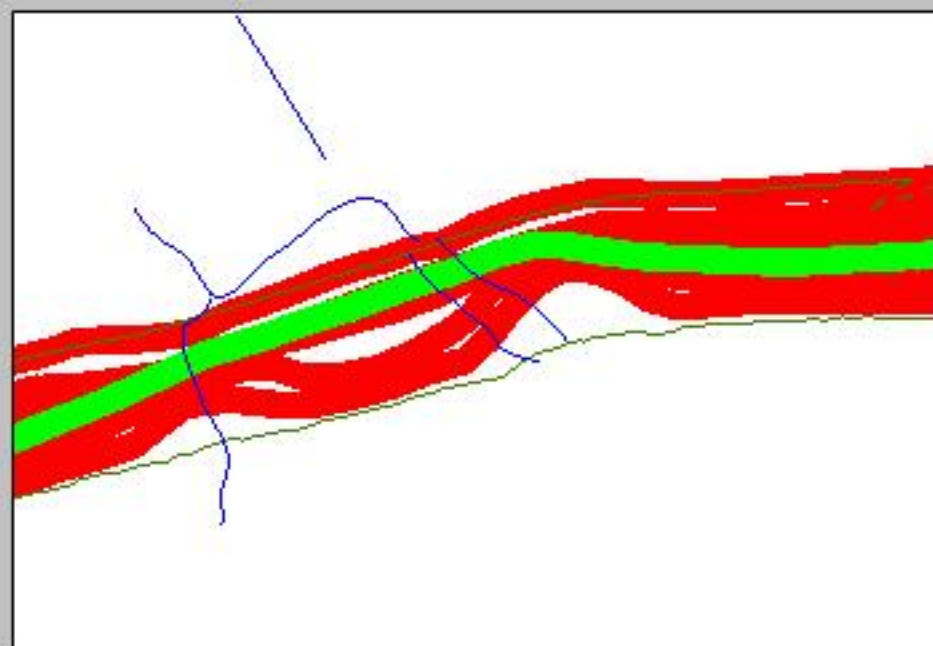
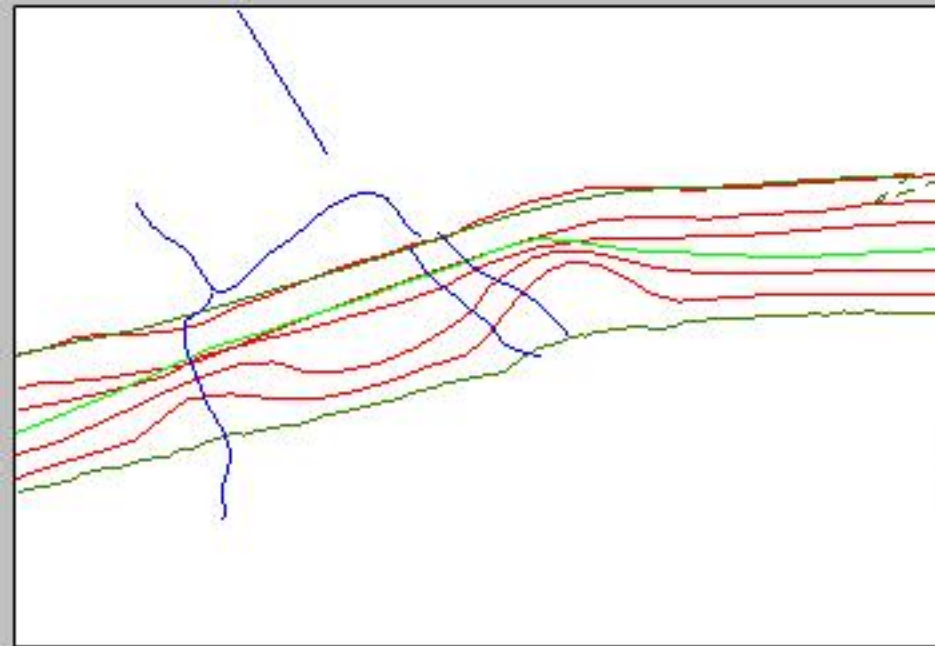
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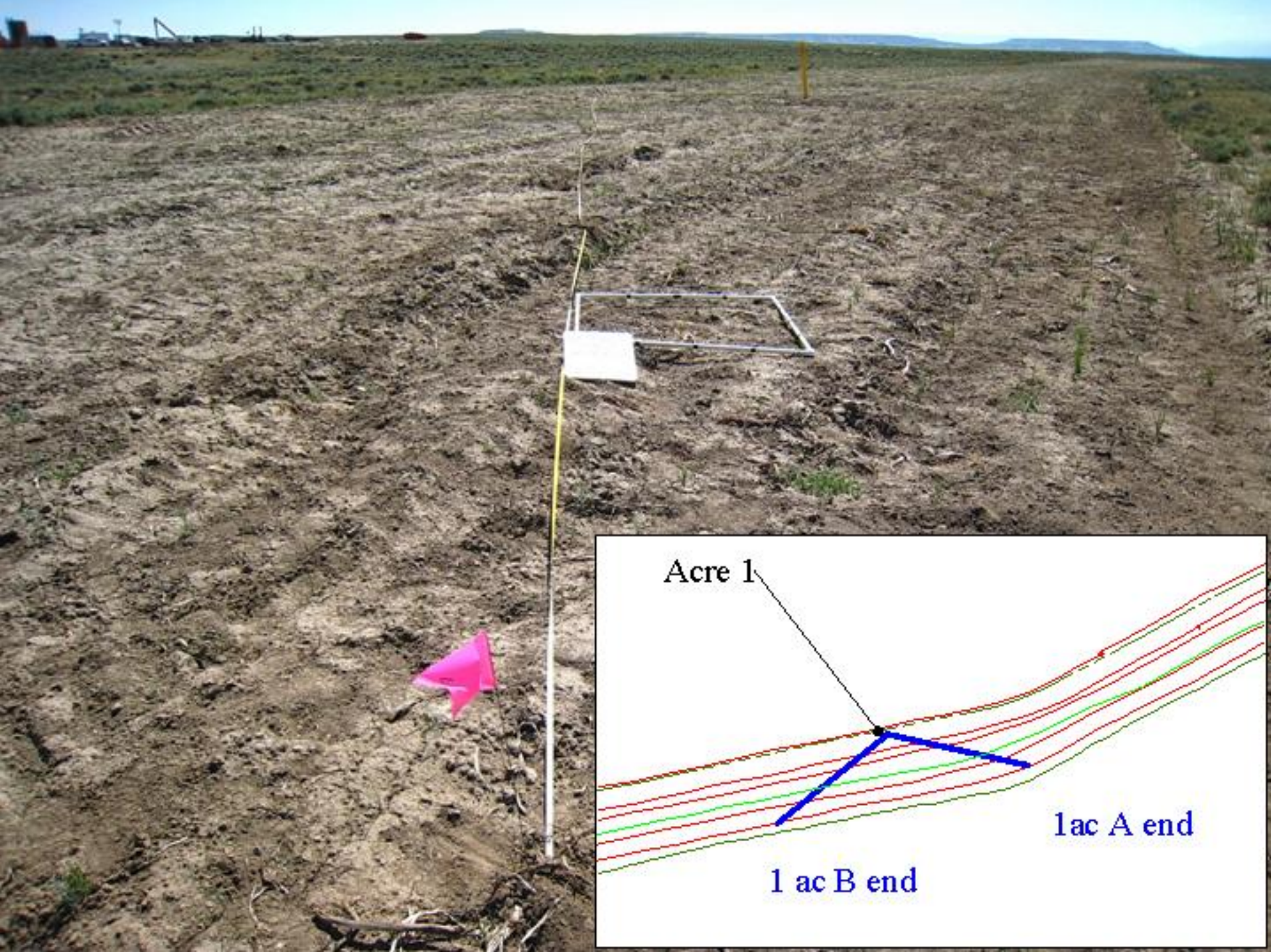








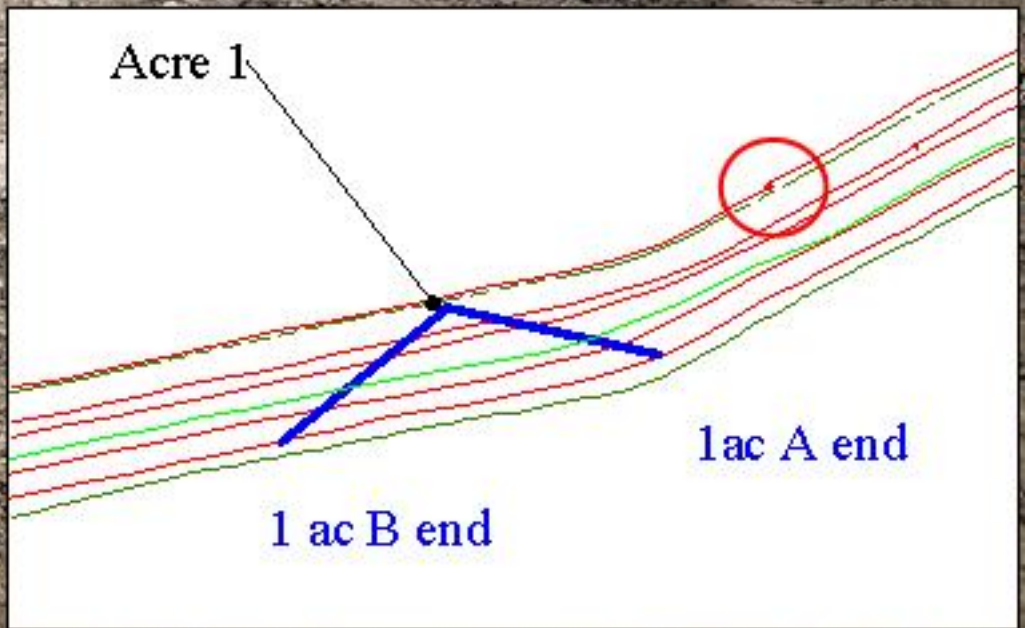
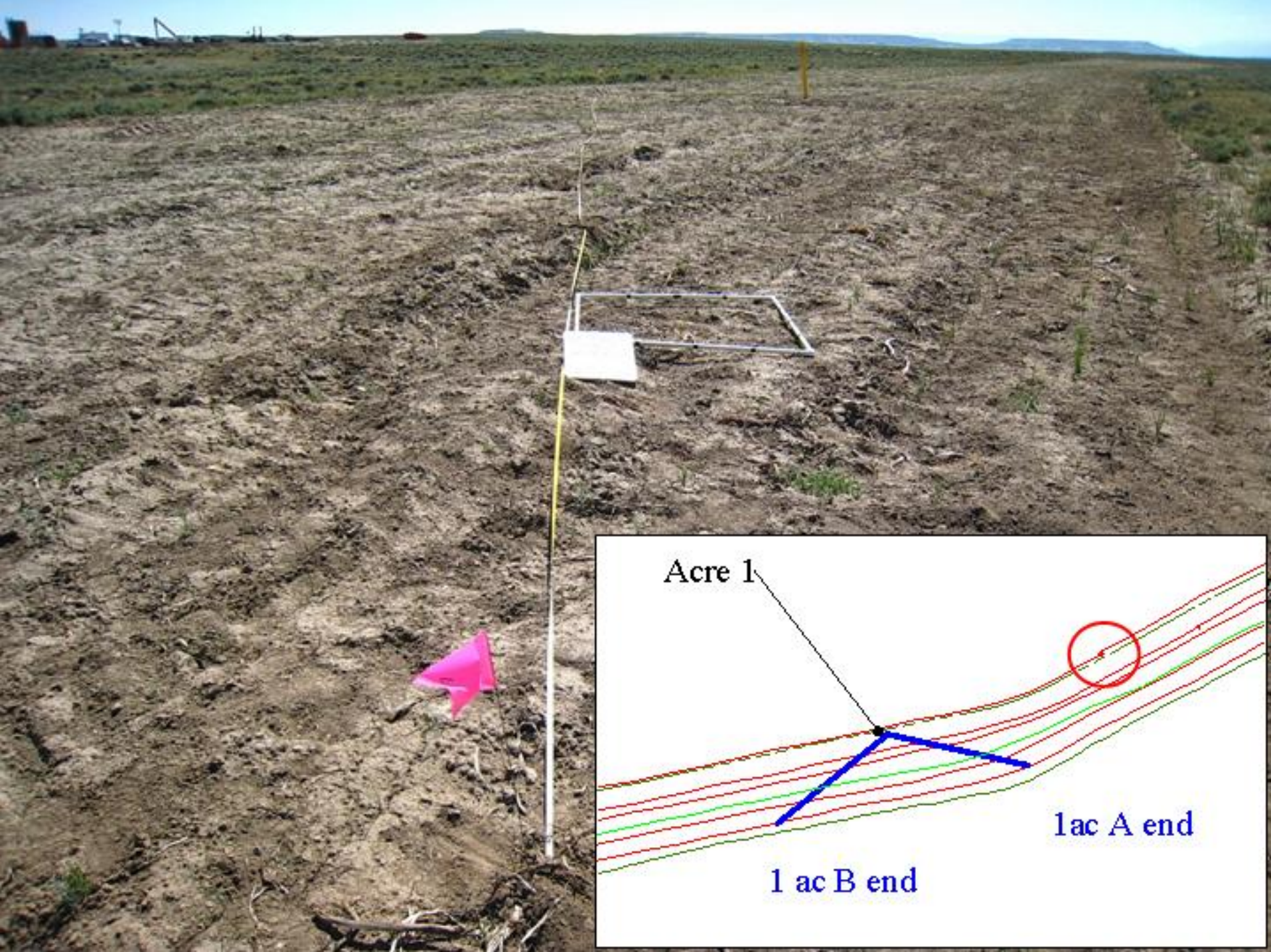


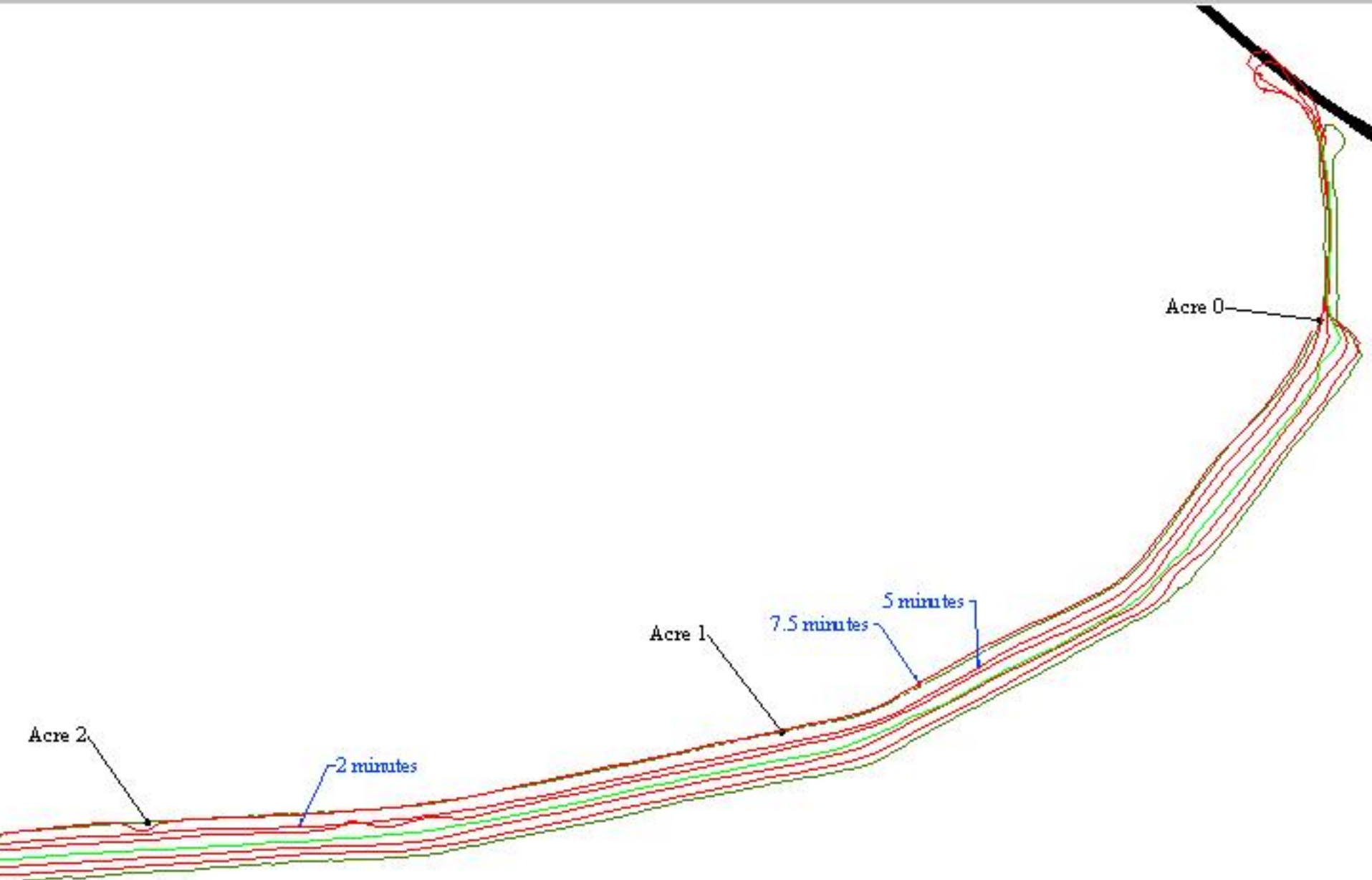


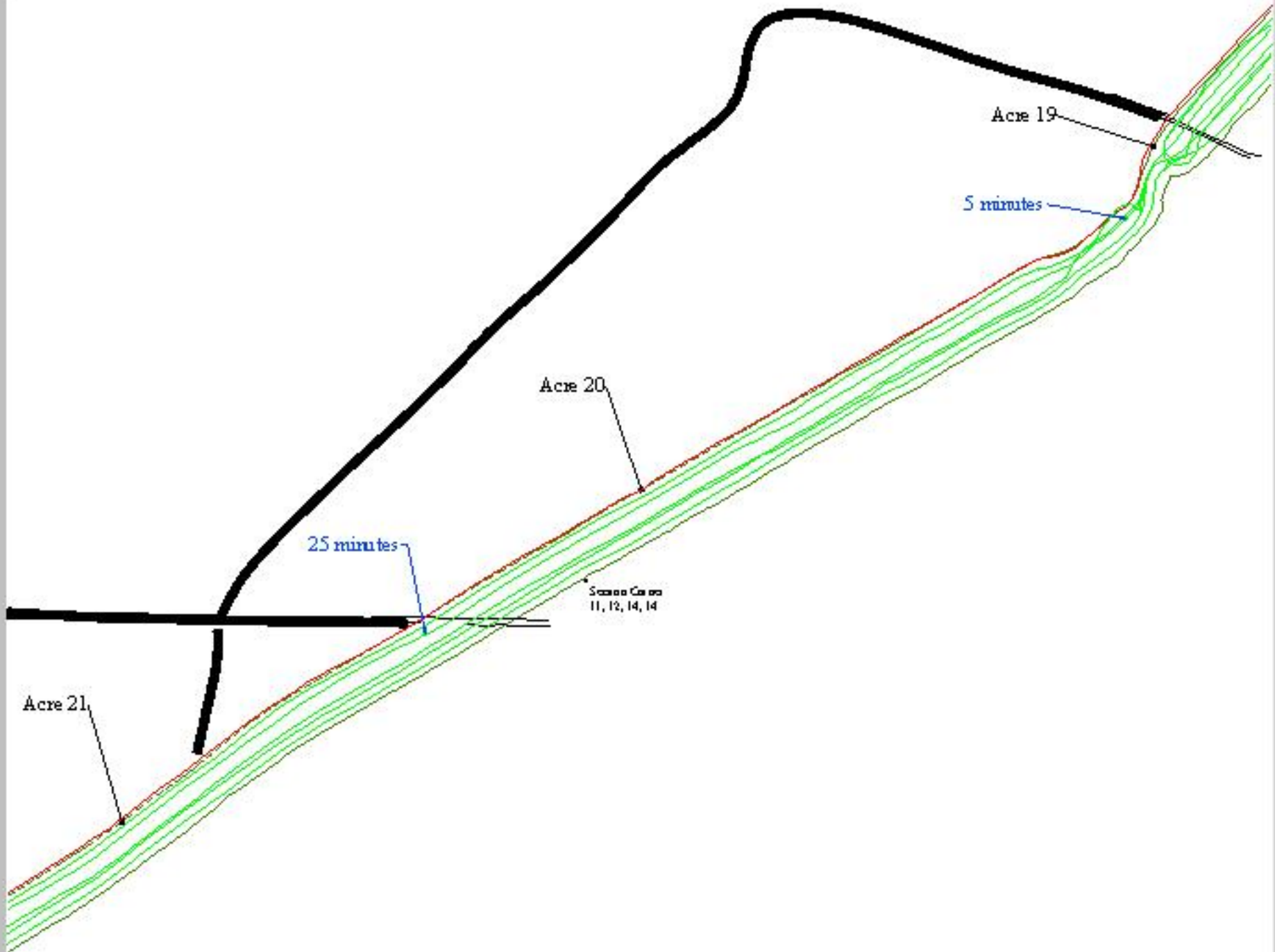
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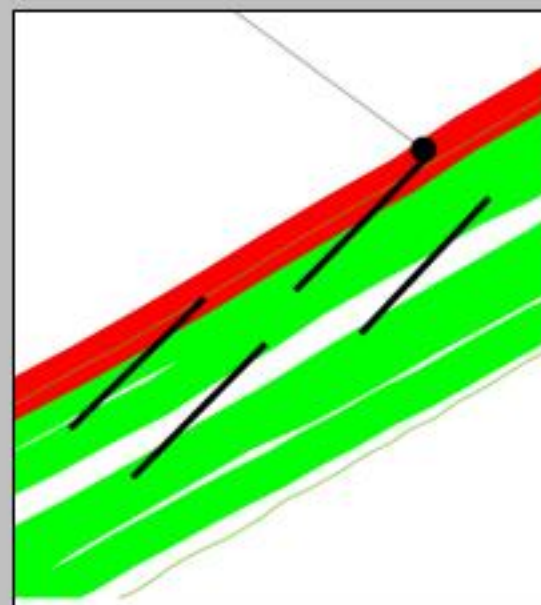
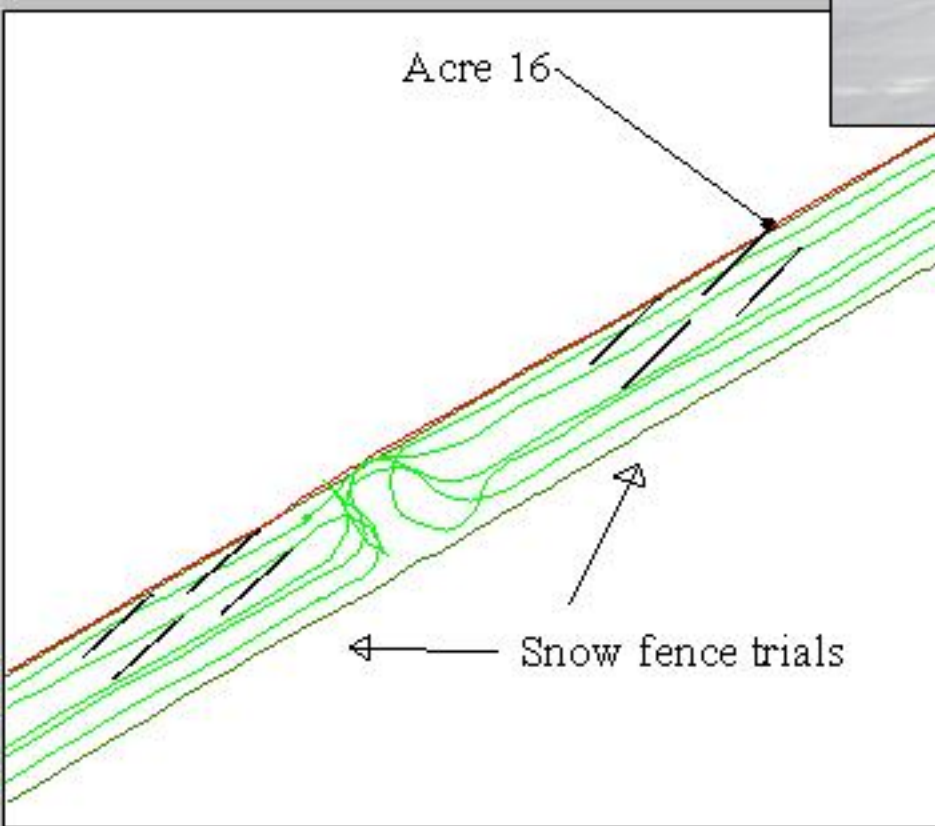
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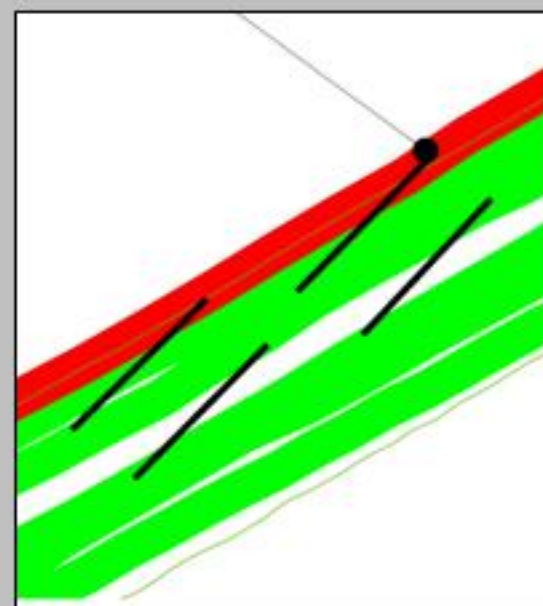
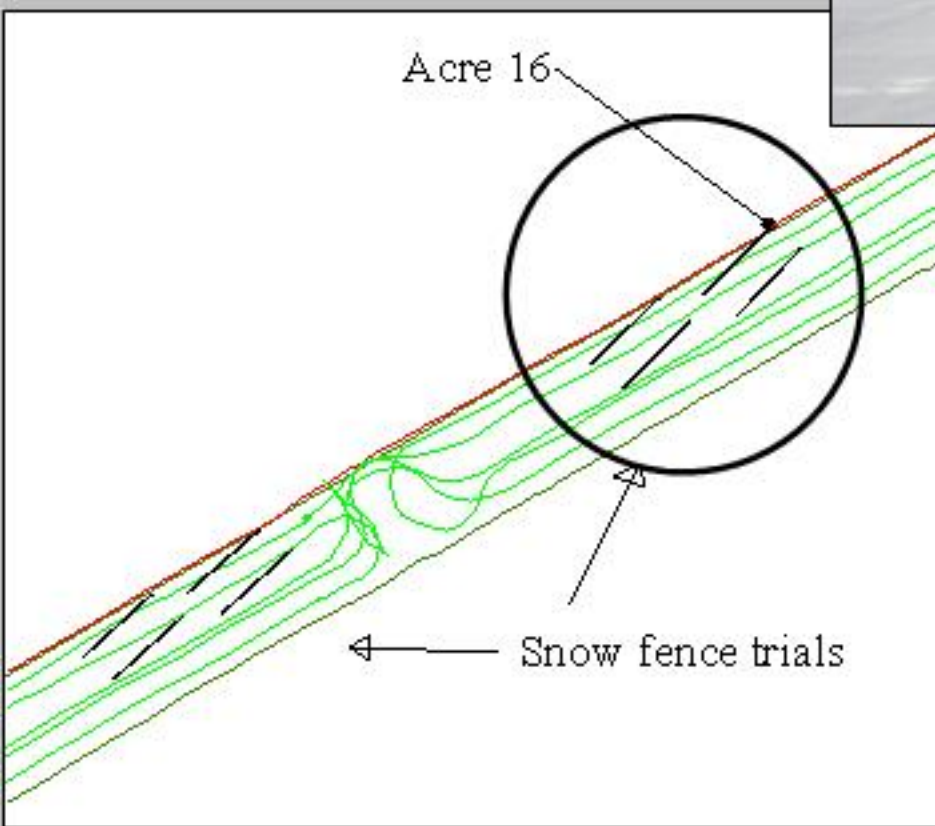
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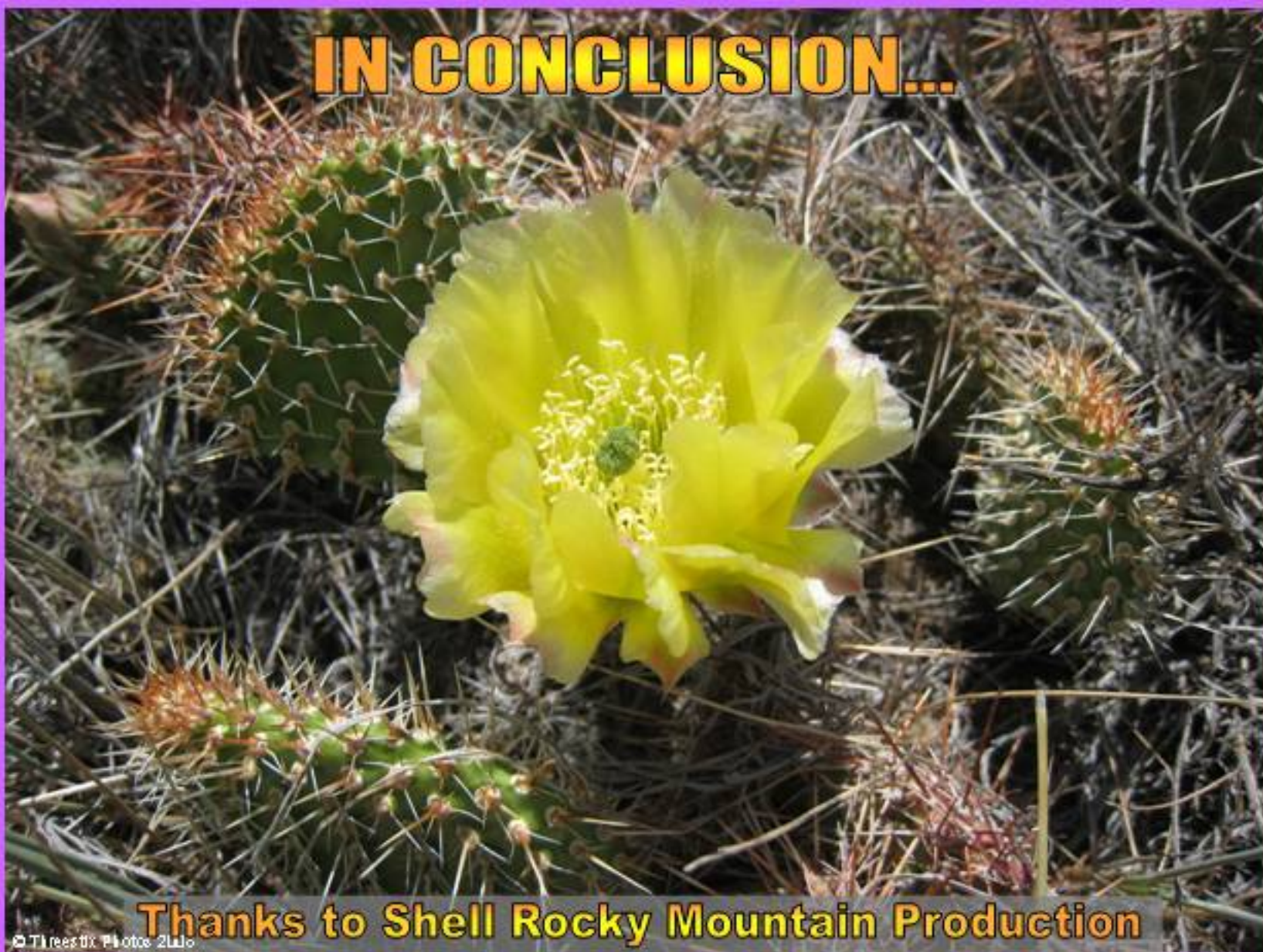








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