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Milton Reservoir Dredging

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Wed, Jul 31, 2024 at 11:57 AM

Hi Nickie

Thank you for calling me back this morning. Please find attached a description of the operations and engineering dwgs, these attached documents are what was submitted for the CDPHE stormwater permits. On the dwgs are descriptions of the pre-construction, construction, and final site stabilization/restoration. Also, attached are pics of the dredge eqpt and cyclone, and below is basic operations info.

Material: primarily sand - Sand to be sold to O&G companies for fracking

Remaining sediment/solids to be stockpiled or used as fill

Annual amount of material moved: 1,000,000 cy

Daily amount of material processed and stored: Average between 5,000 cy and 6,0000 cy

Equipment onsite: dredge eqpt (see attached pic), excavator, loaders, skidsteer, dump trucks, end dump, water truck, cyclone (see attached pic), pumps, general vehicles (e.g. pickups)

Let me know if you need any additional information and/or have questions. Thank you for your assistance on the mine permit.

Have a good day

shelly

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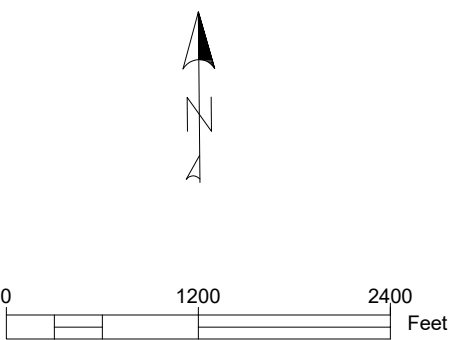
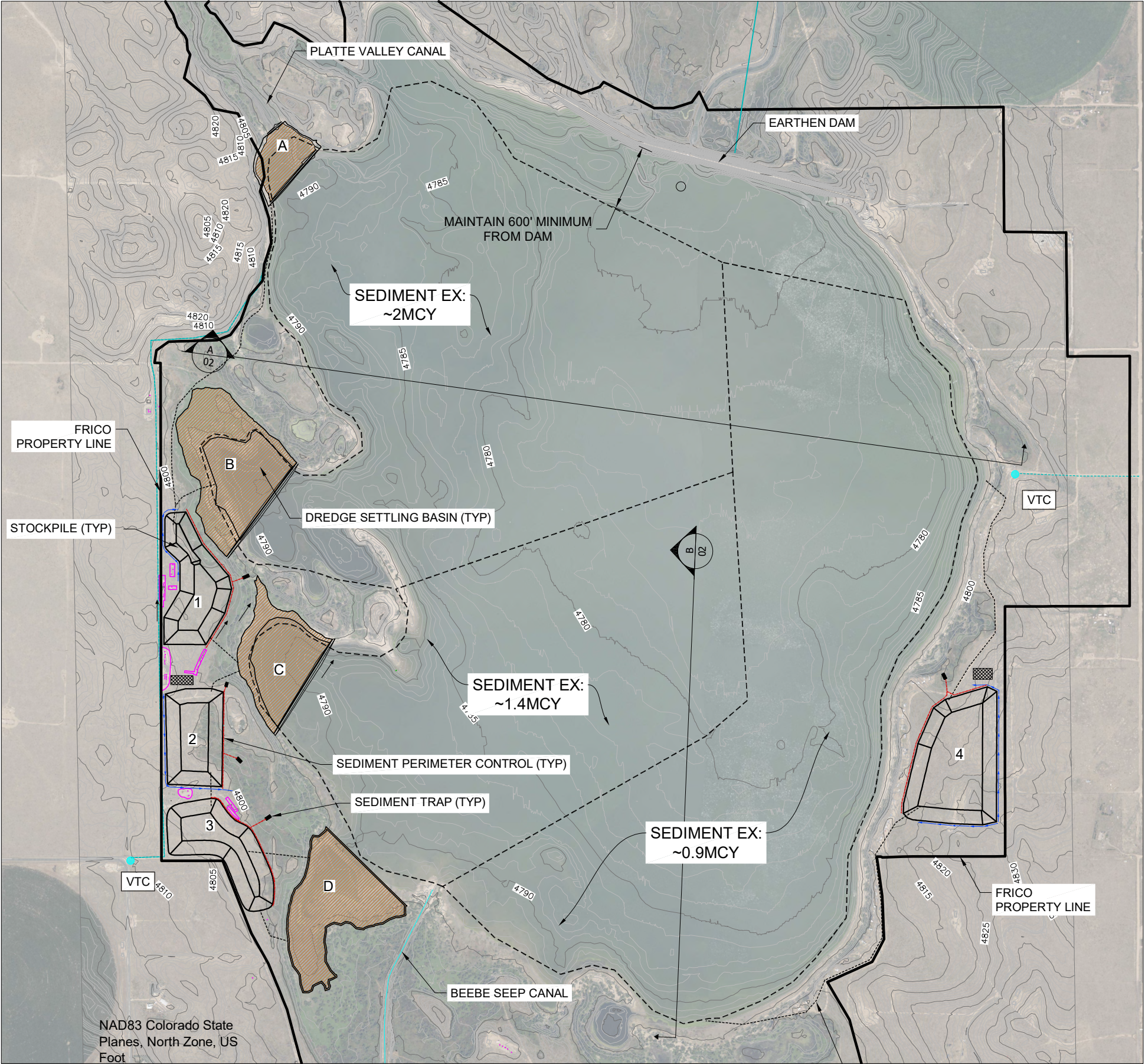
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DREDGED SETTLING BASIN	VOLUME (CY)
A	80,000
B	270,000
C	196,000
D	187,000
TOTAL	733,000

STOCKPILE	VOLUME (CY)
1	715,000
2	715,000
3	712,000
4	1,772,000
TOTAL	3,914,000

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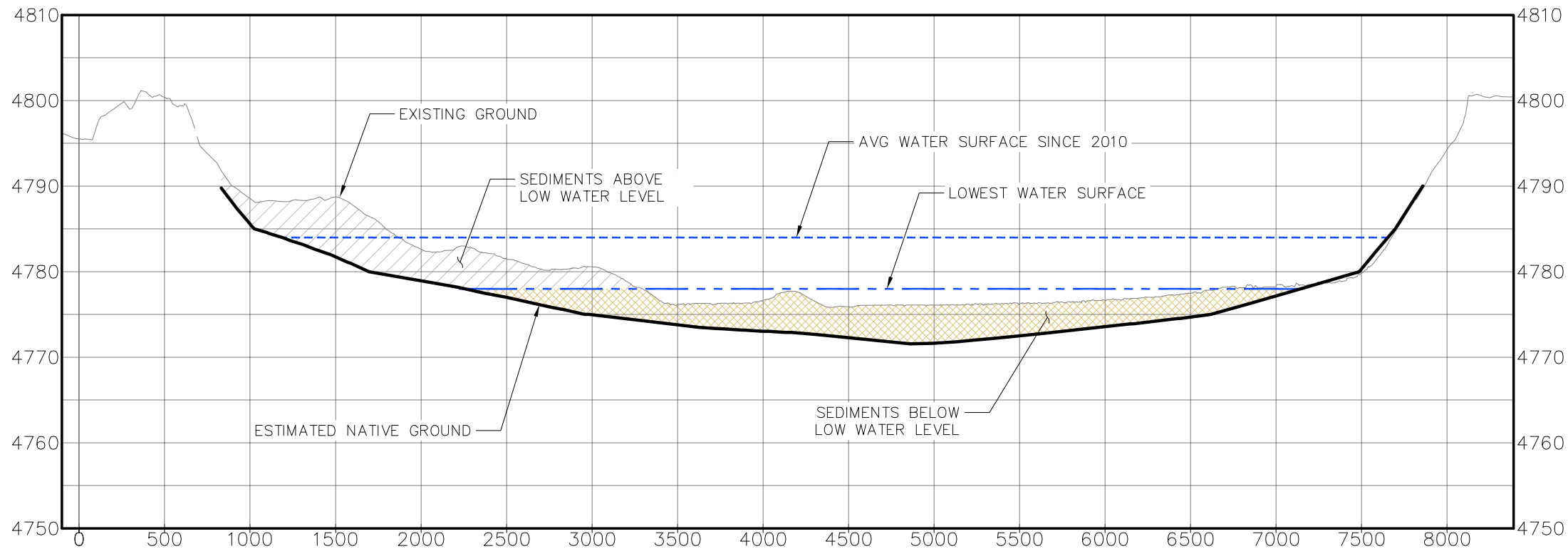
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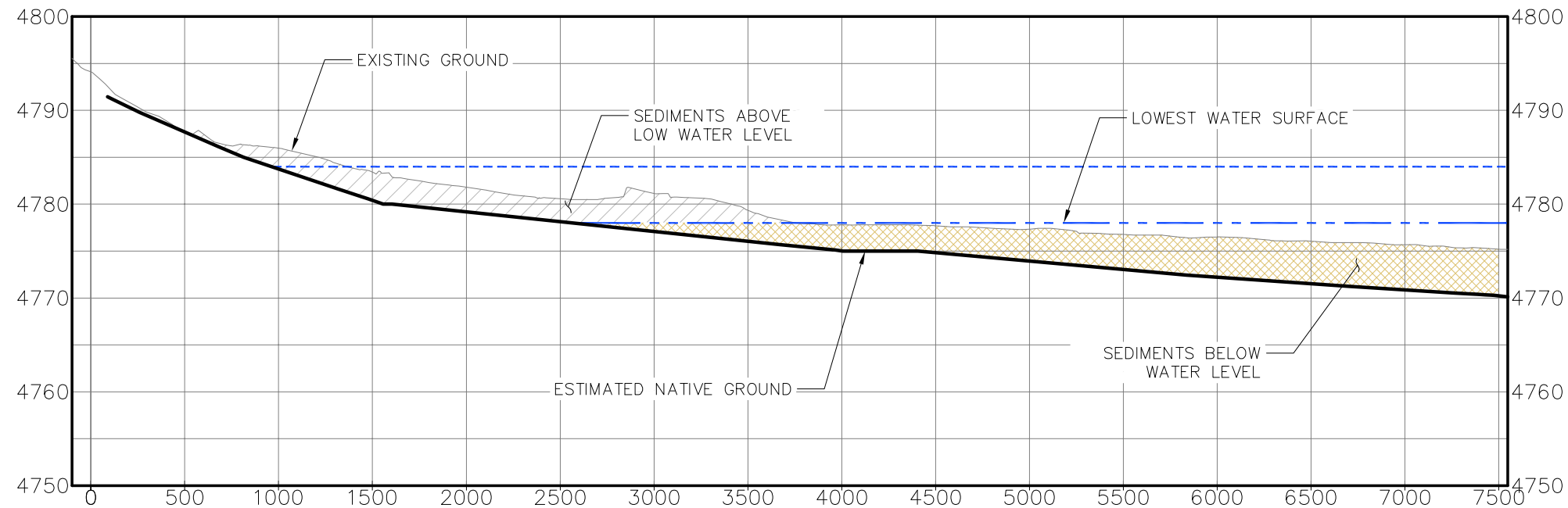
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A E-W SECTION THRU NORTH PART OF RESERVOIR
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A N-S SECTION THRU RESERVOIR
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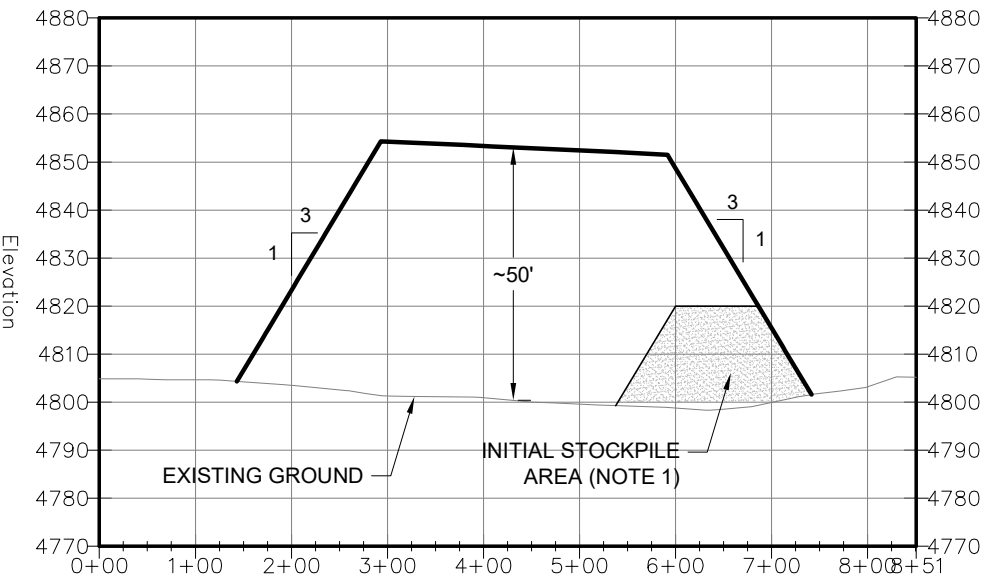
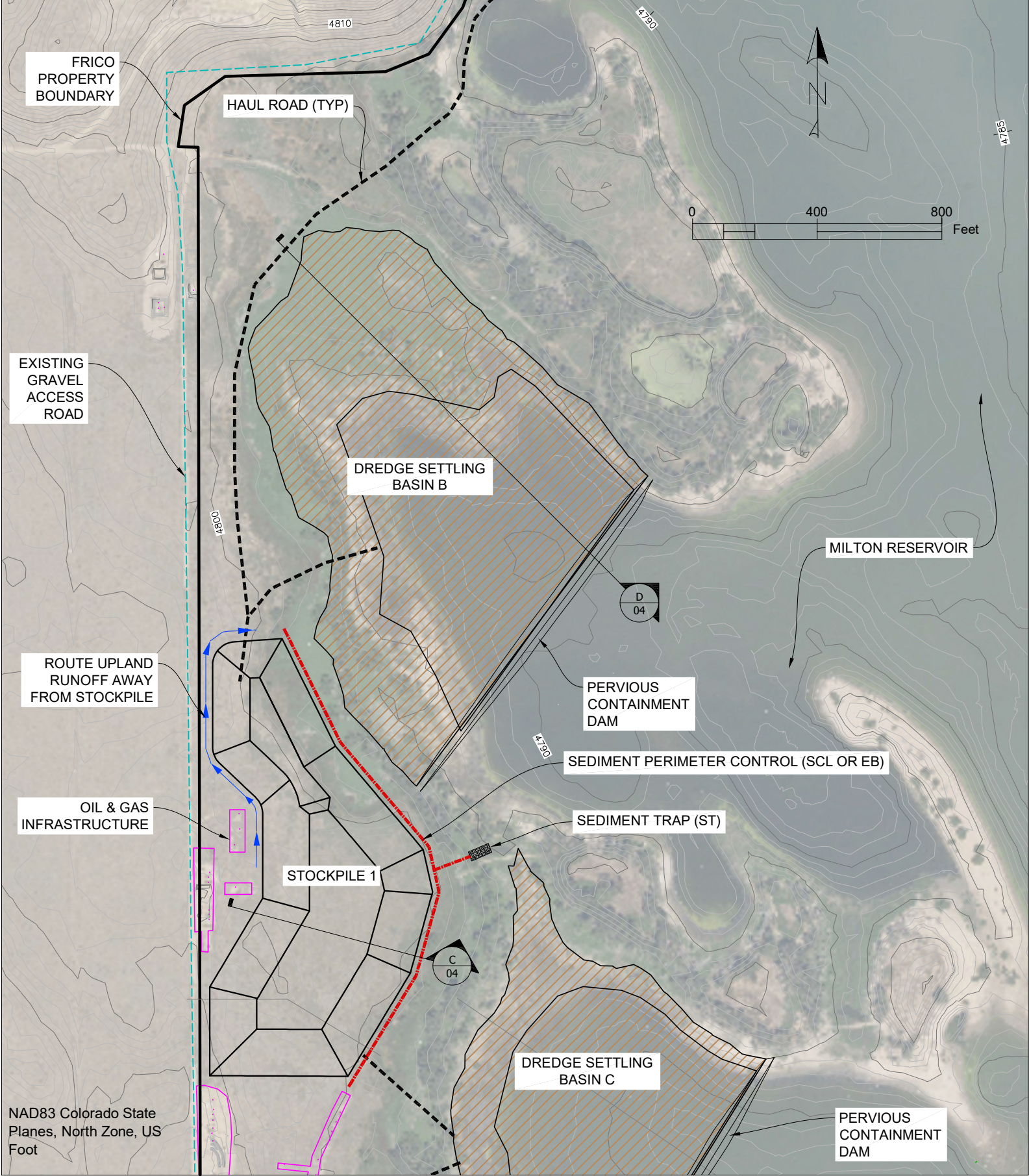
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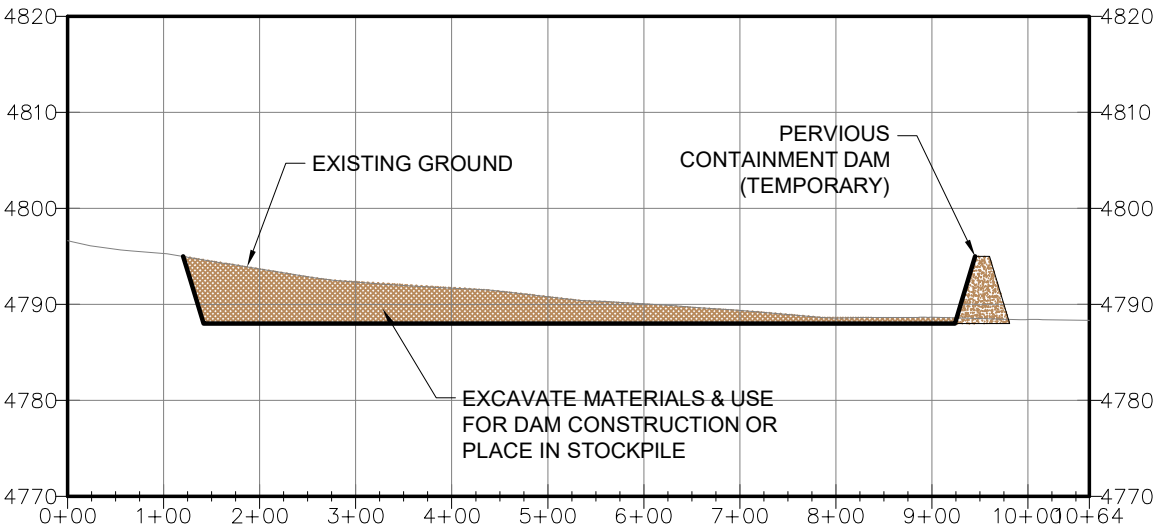
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C TYPICAL SECTION THRU STOCKPILE
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- NOTES:
1. PHASED STOCKPILE DISTURBANCE AREA TO BE MINIMIZED BASED ON ESTIMATED YEARLY SEDIMENT REMOVAL VOLUME.



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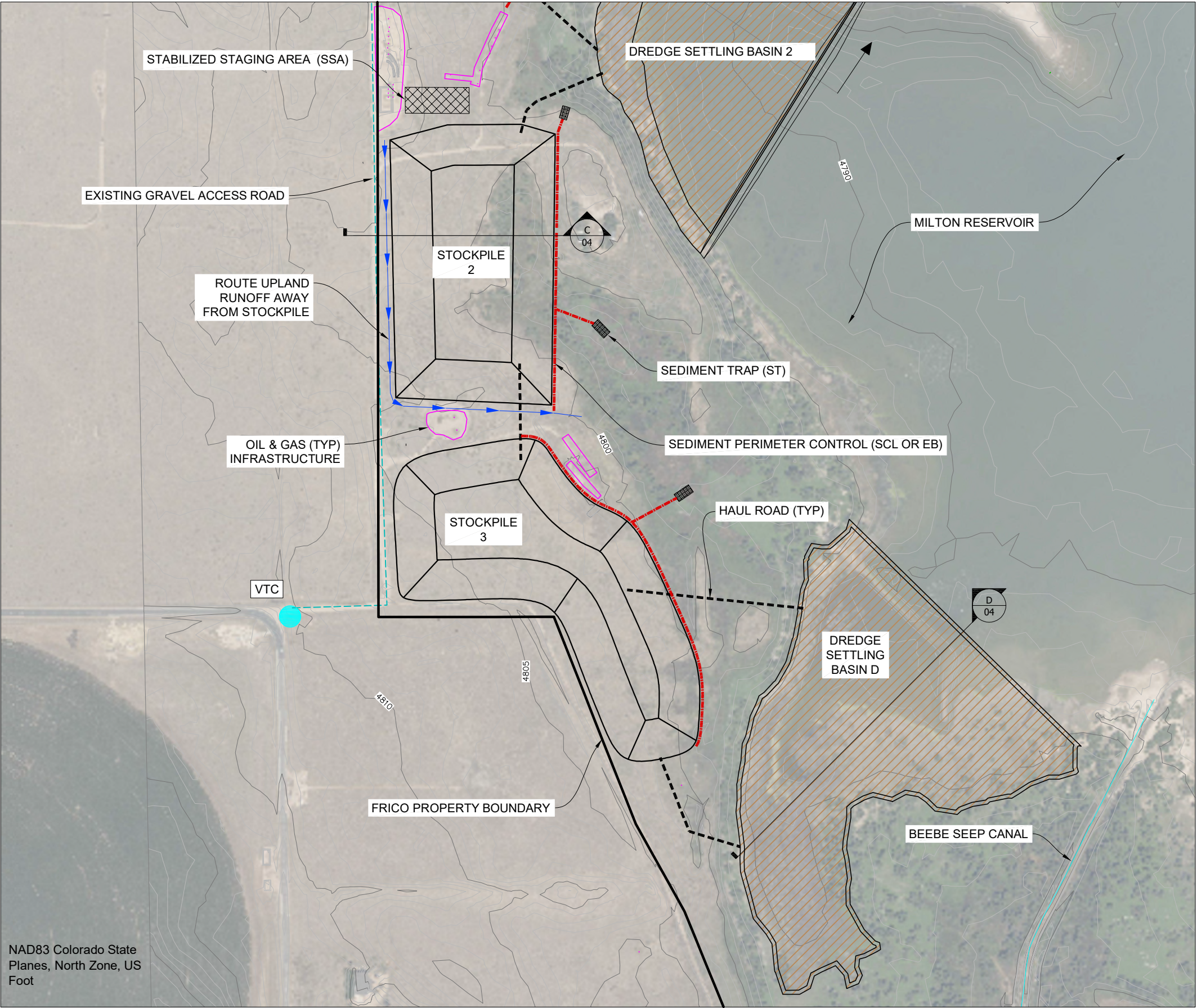
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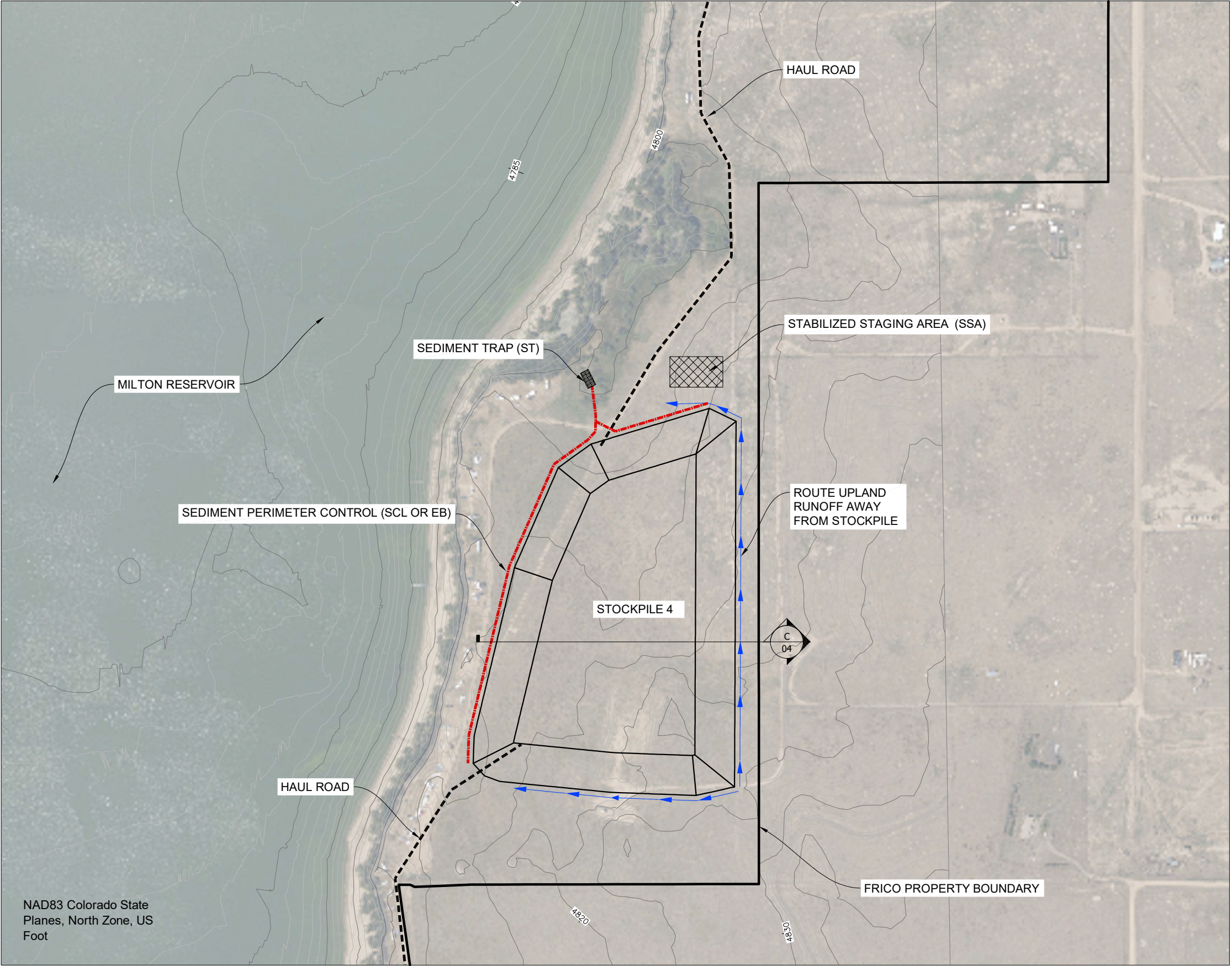
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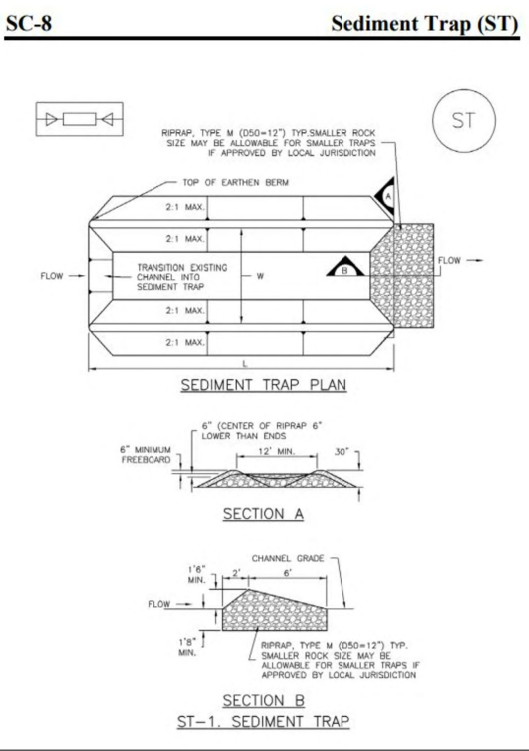
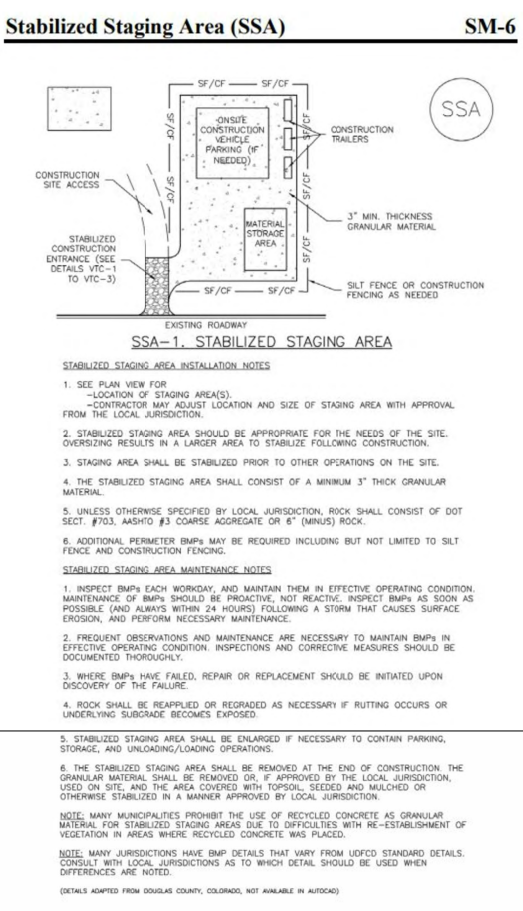
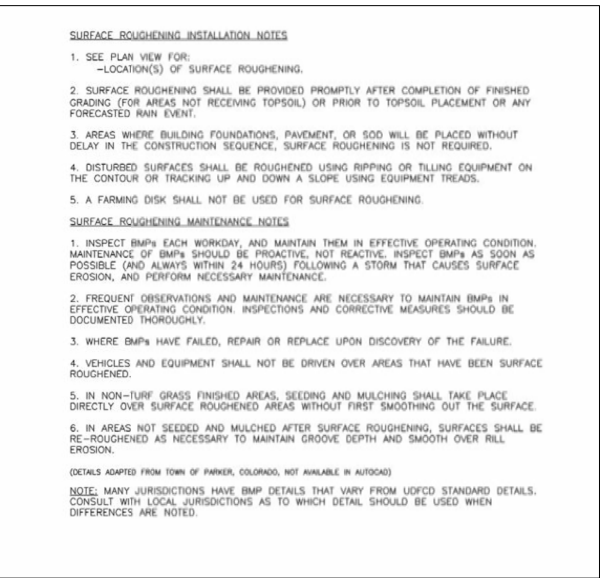
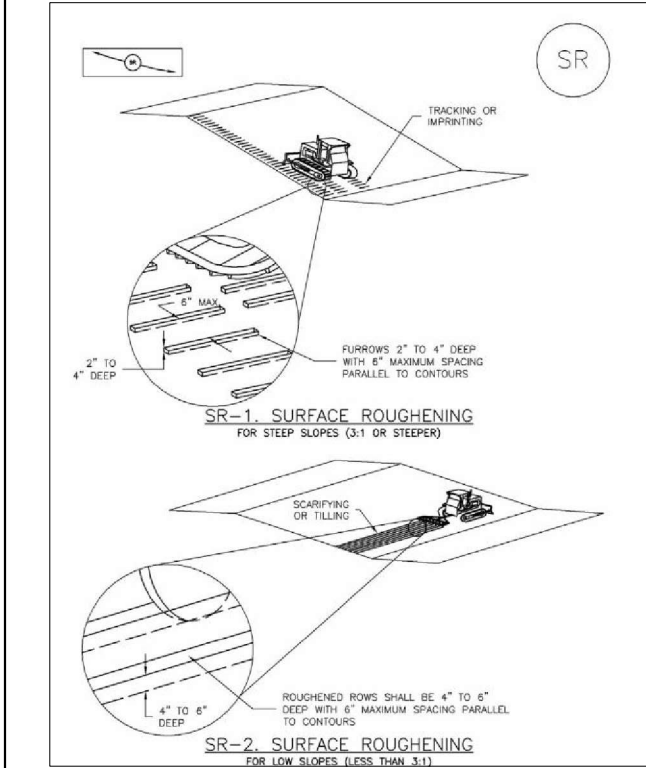
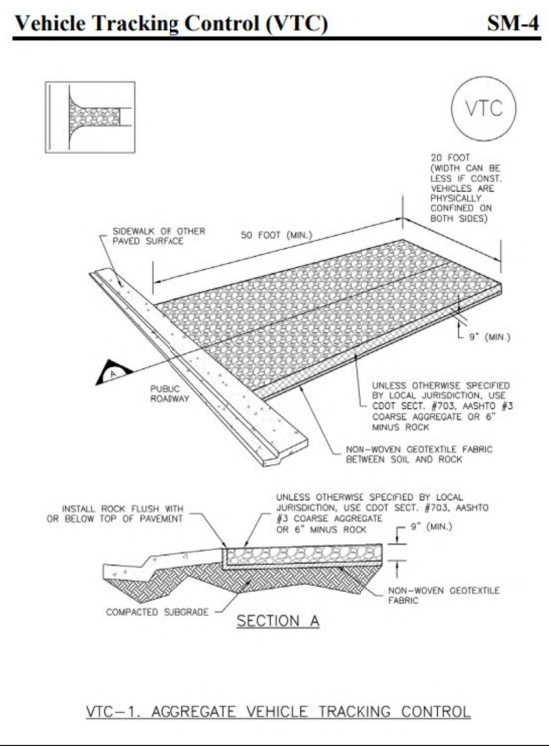
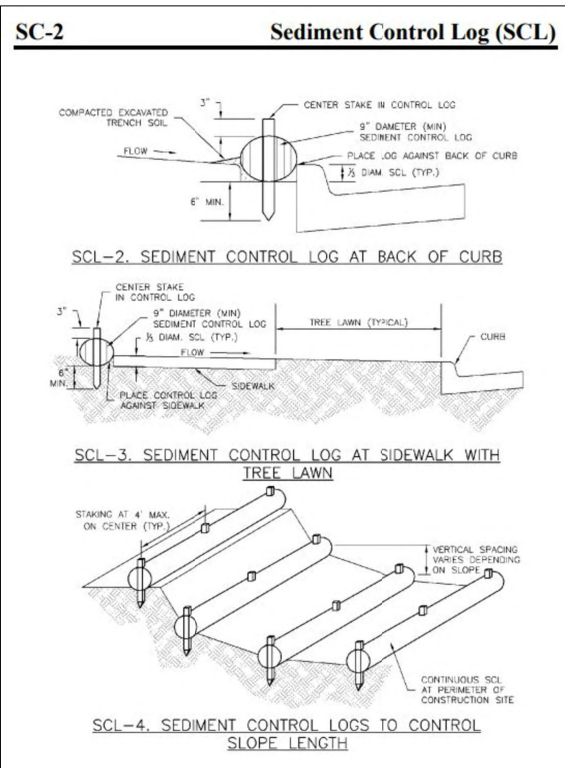
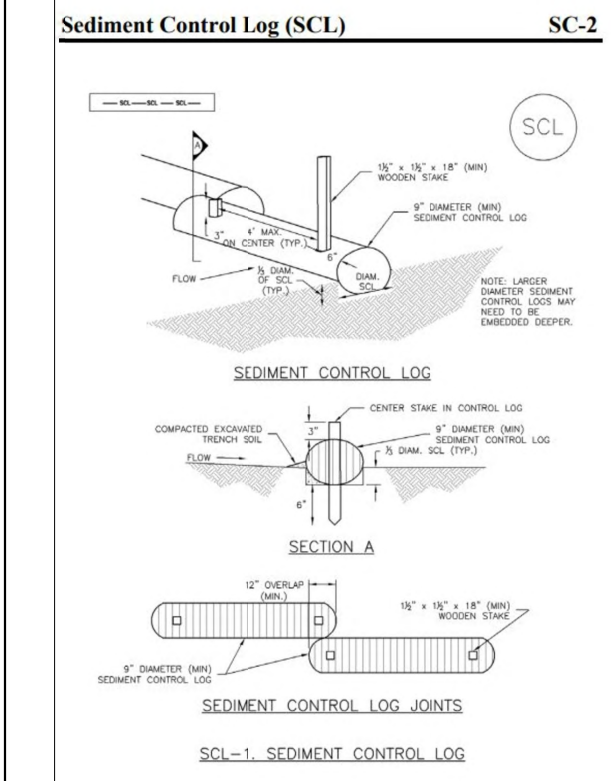
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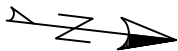
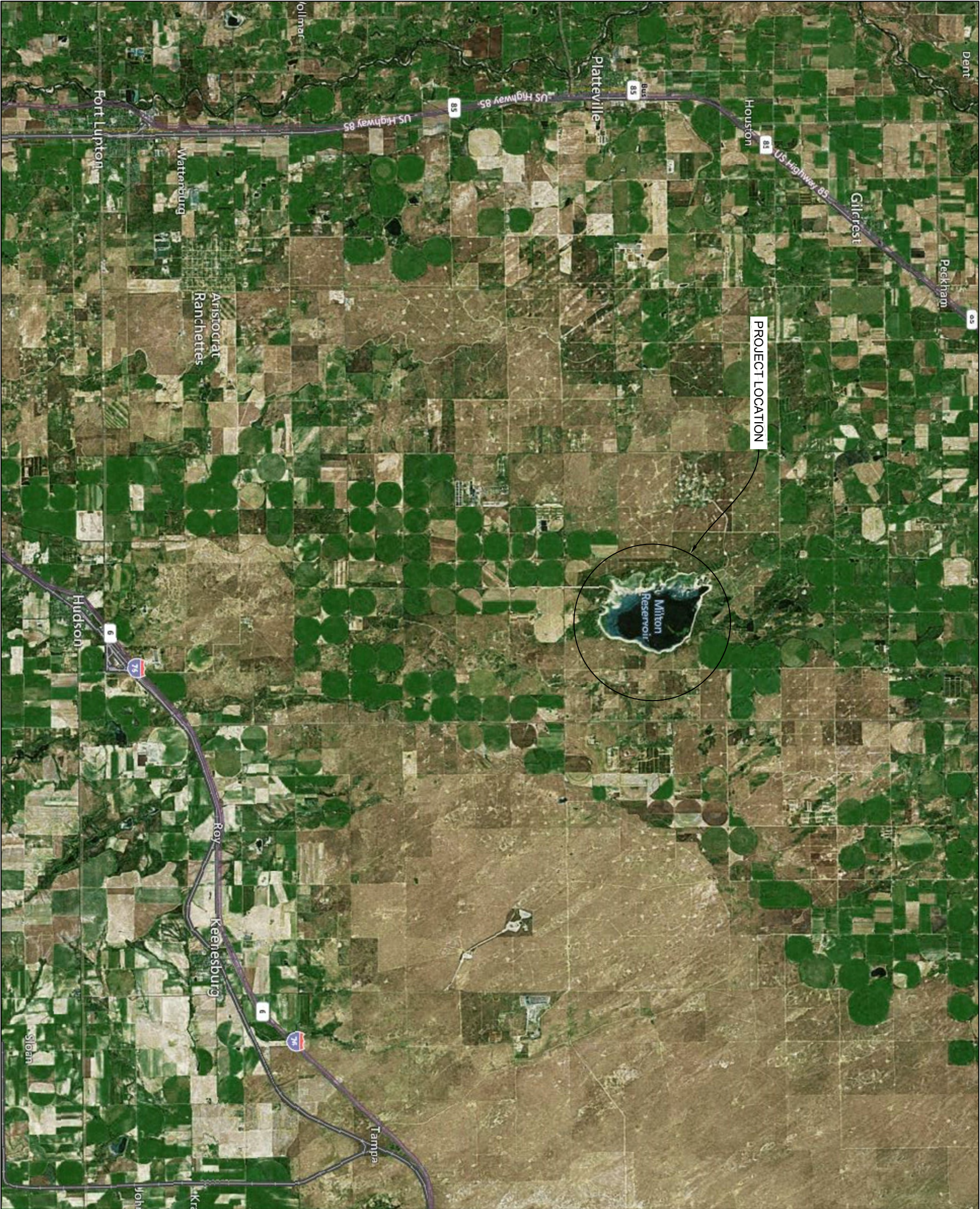
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LEGEND

SEDIMENT PERIMETER CONTROL (SCL OR EB)

HAUL ROAD

VEHICLE TRACKING CONTROL (VTC)

STABILIZED STAGING AREA (SSA)

SEDIMENT COLLECTION AND CLEANOUT BASIN

Phased BMP Implementation

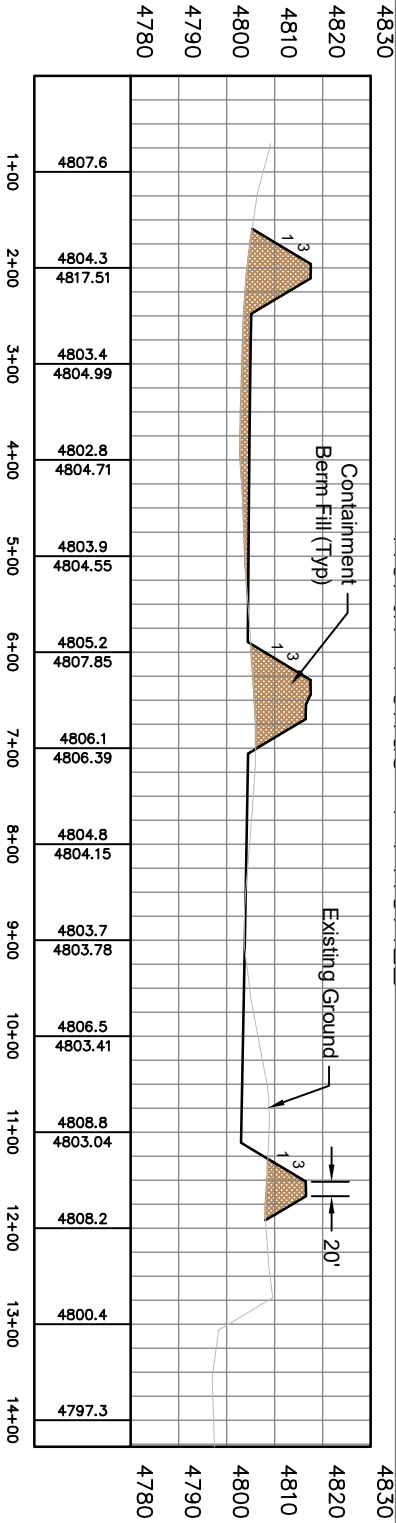
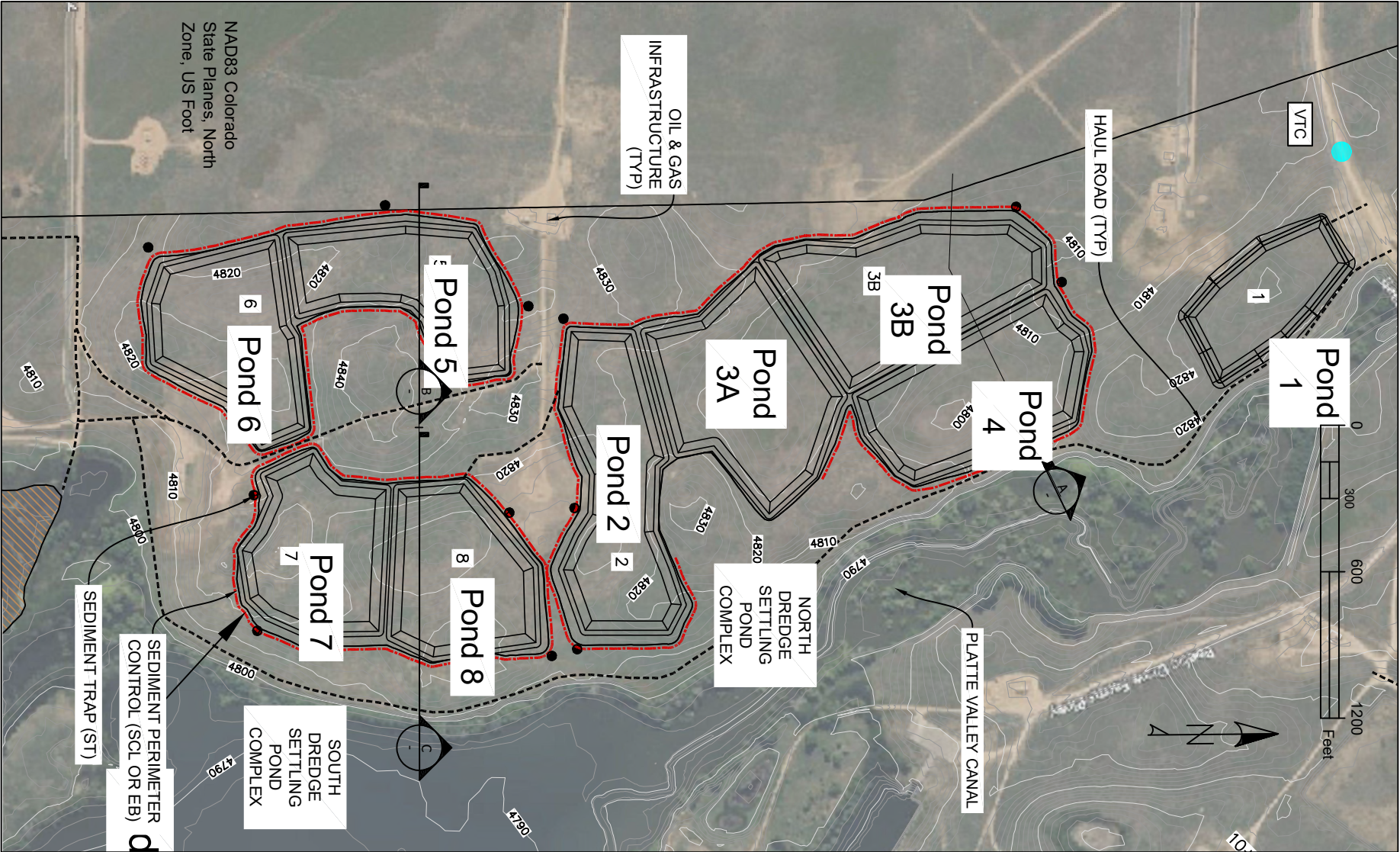
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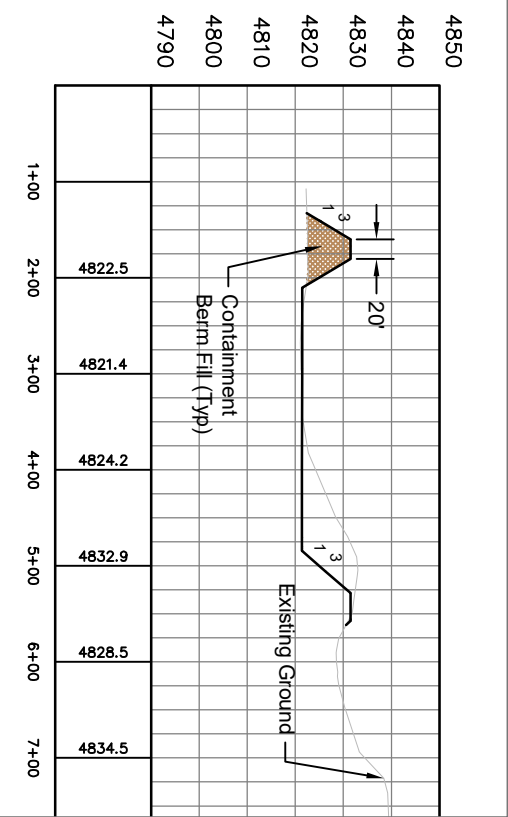


A SECTION THRU NORTH DREDGE SETTLING PONDS

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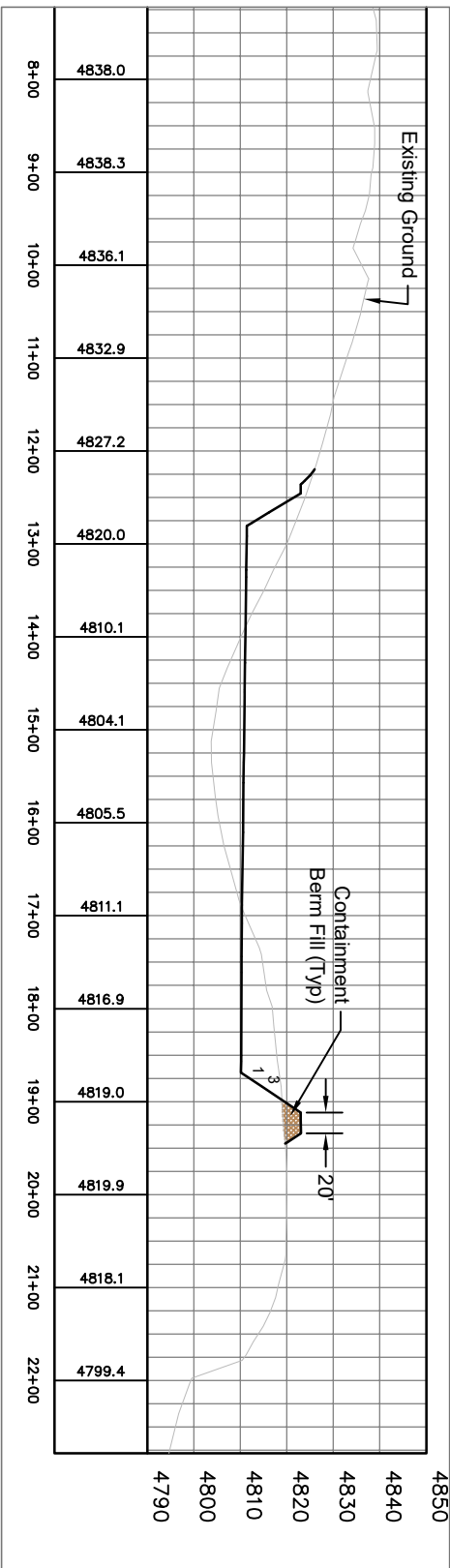
SPECIFICATIONS:

- SUBGRADE PREPARATION: THE SUBGRADE BENEATH THE BERMS SHOULD BE FREE OF VEGETATION AND UNSUITABLE MATERIALS. SOFT, SATURATED, AND/OR LOOSE SOILS ENCOUNTERED DURING SUBGRADE PREPARATION SHALL BE REMOVED AND COMPETENT MATERIALS EXPOSED. PRIOR TO PLACEMENT OF FILL, THE EXPOSED SUBGRADE SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY SCARIFIED AND WELL-MIXED TO A DEPTH OF 6 INCHES, ADJUSTED TO A MOISTURE CONTENT WITHIN 3 PERCENT OF OPTIMUM, AND COMPACTED TO 95% OF THE STANDARD PROCTOR (ASTM D698) MAXIMUM DRY DENSITY.
- FILL OPERATIONS: MATERIALS WILL BE GENERATED FROM EXCAVATING WITHIN THE PROJECT AND CAN CONSIST OF A WIDE RANGE OF SOIL CLASSIFICATION. FROZEN MATERIAL, ICE, SNOW, COBBLES/RUBBLE LARGE ENOUGH TO INTERFERE WITH COMPACTION, DEBRIS AND OTHER DELETERIOUS MATERIAL SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM FILL MATERIALS. MATERIALS SHALL BE PLACED IN MAXIMUM ONE-FOOT COMPACTED LIFT THICKNESS AND TO AT LEAST 95% OF THE MAXIMUM DRY DENSITY AND TO WITHIN 3% OF THE OPTIMUM MOISTURE CONTENT DETERMINED BY THE MODIFIED PROCTOR METHOD (ASTM D698).
- DENSITY TESTING FREQUENCY REQUIREMENTS: DENSITY TESTING SHALL BE PERFORMED AT A MINIMUM FREQUENCY OF ONE PER 5000 CY OF BACKFILL PLACED. THE TESTS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE DIFFERENT LIFT LAYERS AND LATERALLY THROUGHOUT THE PROJECT. ADDITIONAL TESTING WILL BE REQUIRED AT THE ONSET OF FILL OPERATIONS TO DETERMINE METHODS AND PROCEDURES NEEDED TO OBTAIN THE PROPER MOISTURE AND COMPACTION. NO CLEAR DENSITY OR SAND CONE DENSITY ARE APPROVED METHODS FOR COMPLETING THE IN PLACE MOISTURE/DENSITY TESTING.
- PROTECTION OF FILL MATERIALS: MATERIALS THAT HAVE BEEN COMPACTED AND MOISTURE CONDITIONS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS SHALL BE PROTECTED FROM FREEZING, EXCESS DRYING, INUNDATION, AND BECOMING SATURATED FROM PRECIPITATION EVENTS. FINISHED AREAS THAT HAVE BECOME DAMAGE OR COMPROMISED SHALL BE REMOVED AND REPLACED PER THE REQUIRED SPECIFICATIONS.
- LABORATORY TESTING: FILL MATERIALS SHALL BE SUBJECTED TO LABORATORY INDEX TESTING (GRADATION, ATTERBERG LIMITS, MODIFIED PROCTOR AND NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT) AT A MINIMUM RATE OF ONE SAMPLE PER 15,000 CY OF MATERIAL PLACED OR IF A CHANGE IN MATERIAL IS ENCOUNTERED.



B SECTION THRU POND 5 DREDGE SETTLING POND

VERTICAL EXAGGERATION: 5X



C SECTION THRU POND 8 DREDGE SETTLING POND

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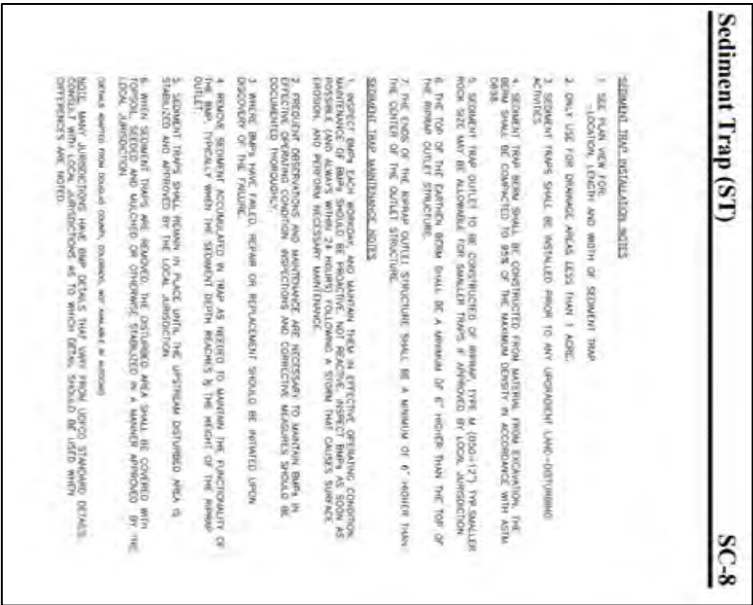
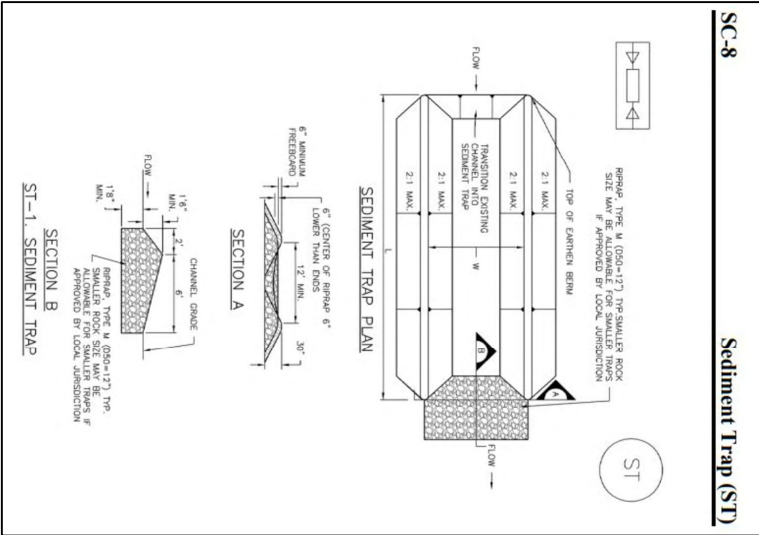
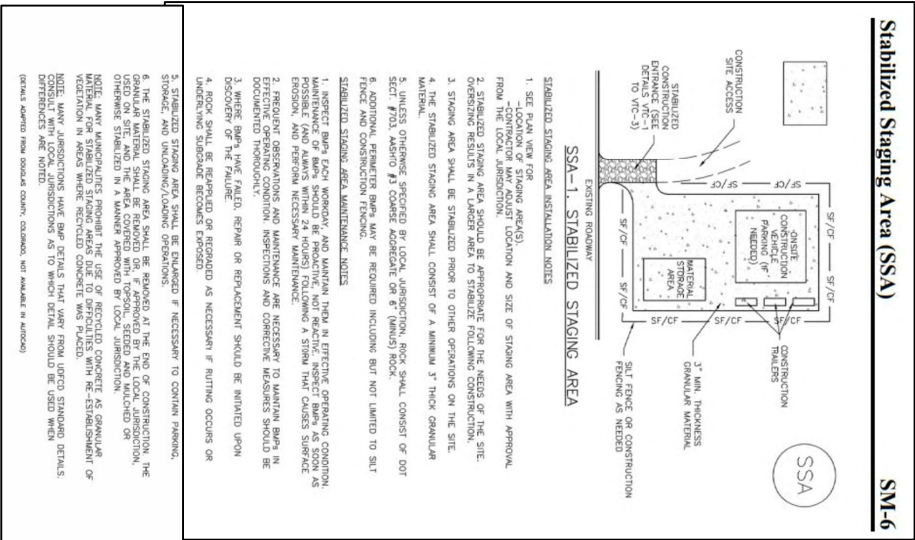
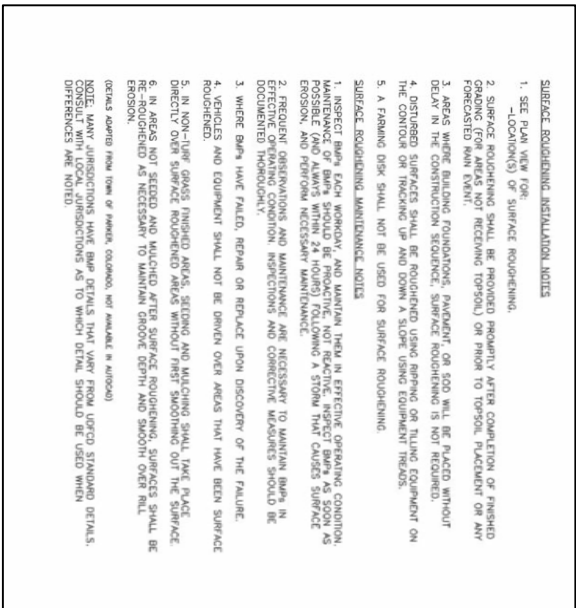
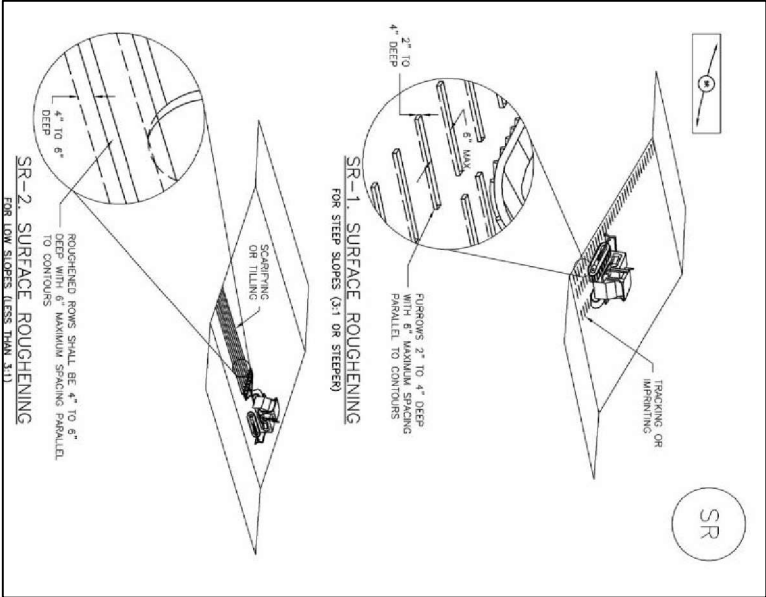
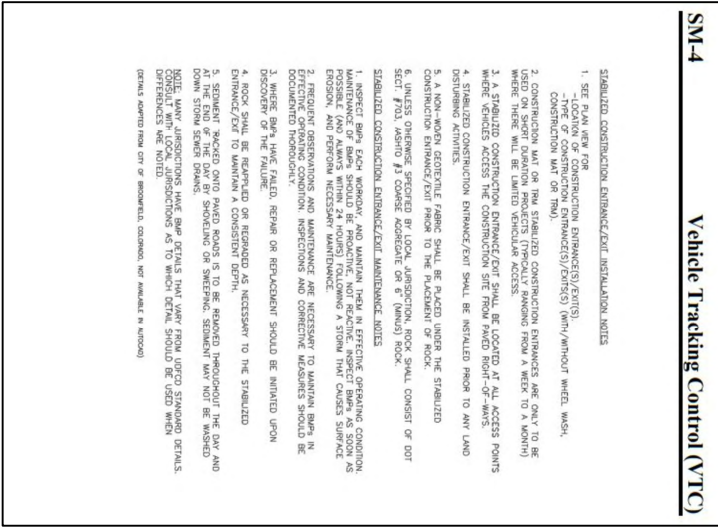
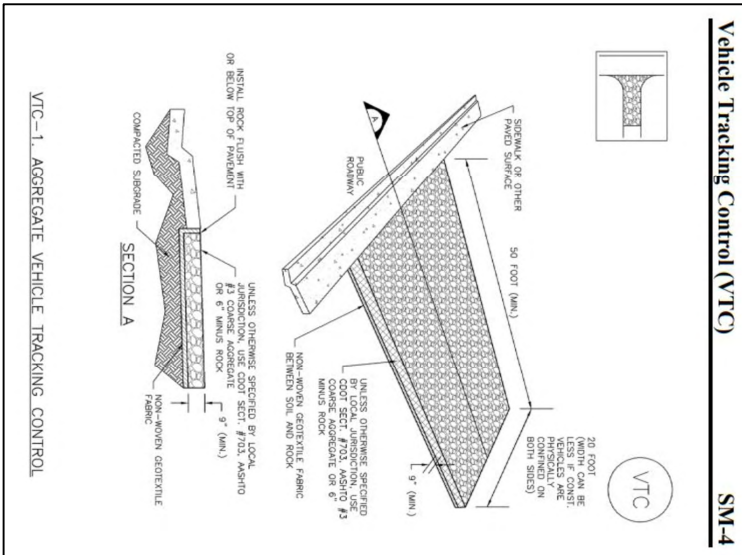
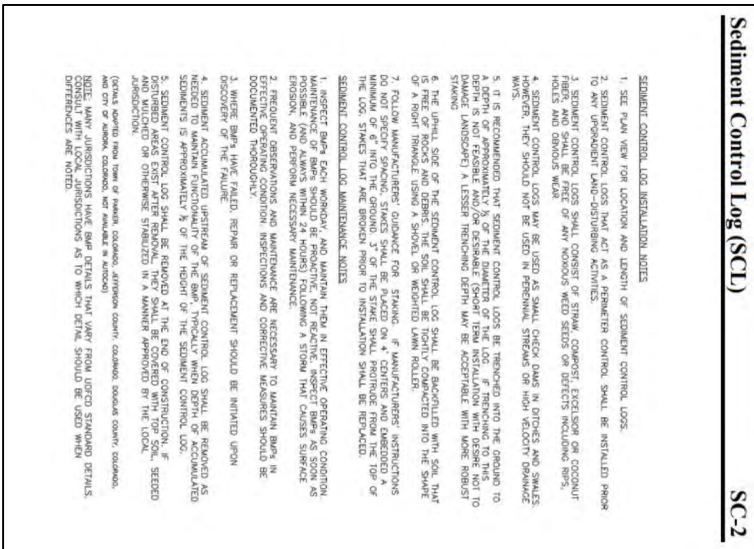
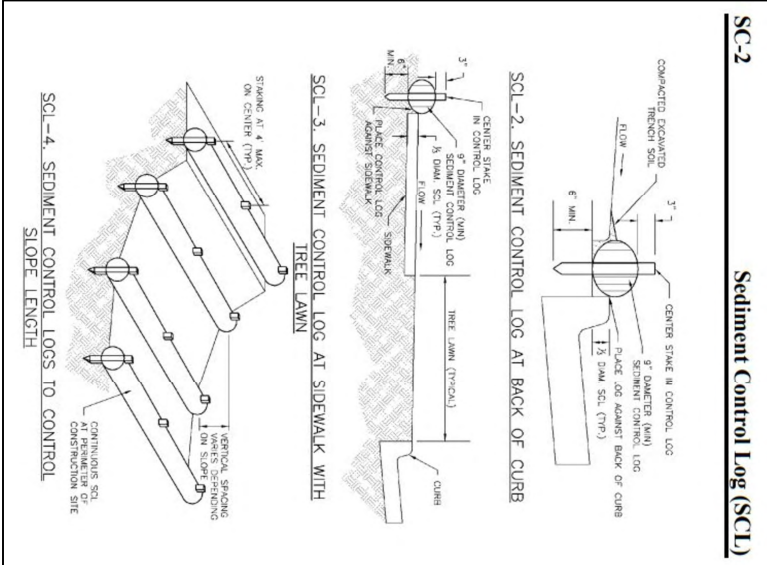
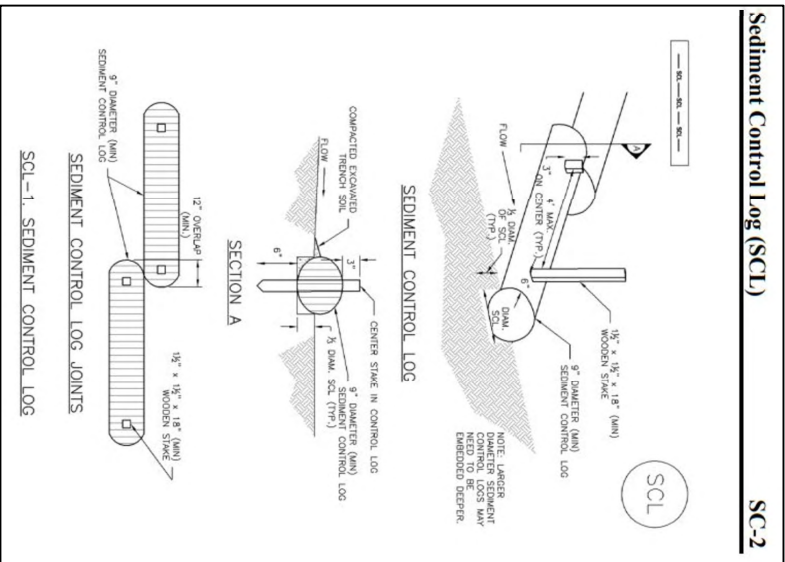
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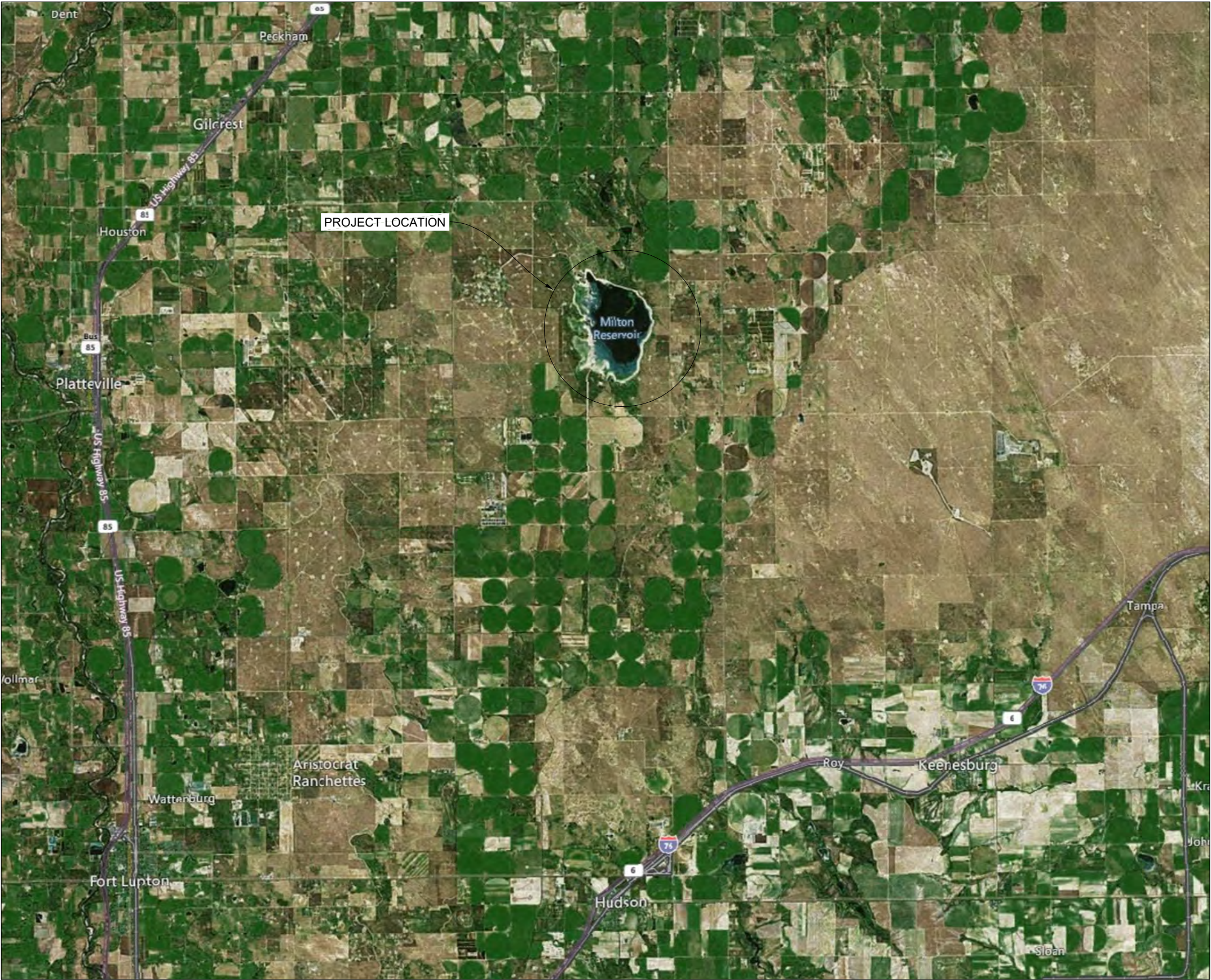
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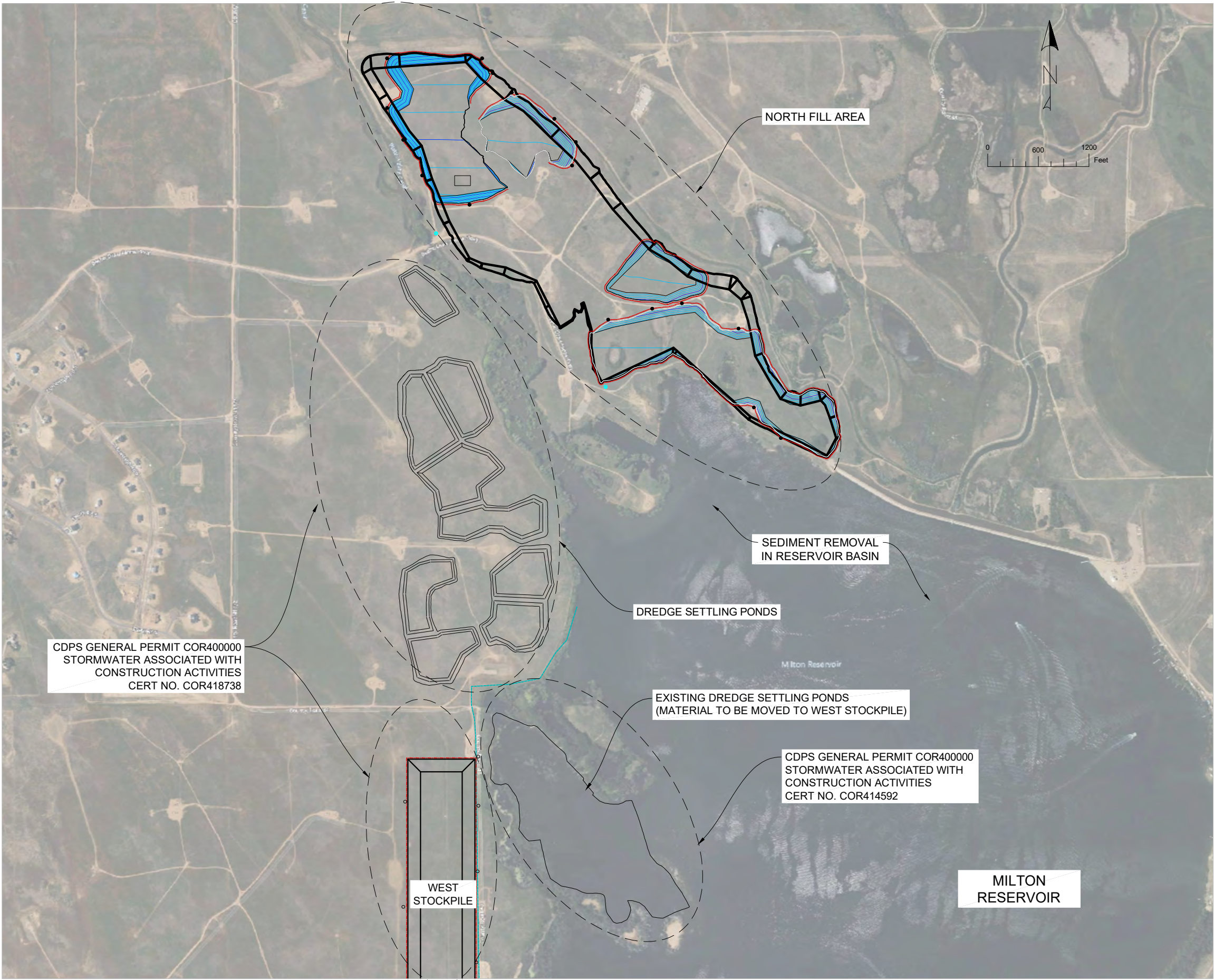
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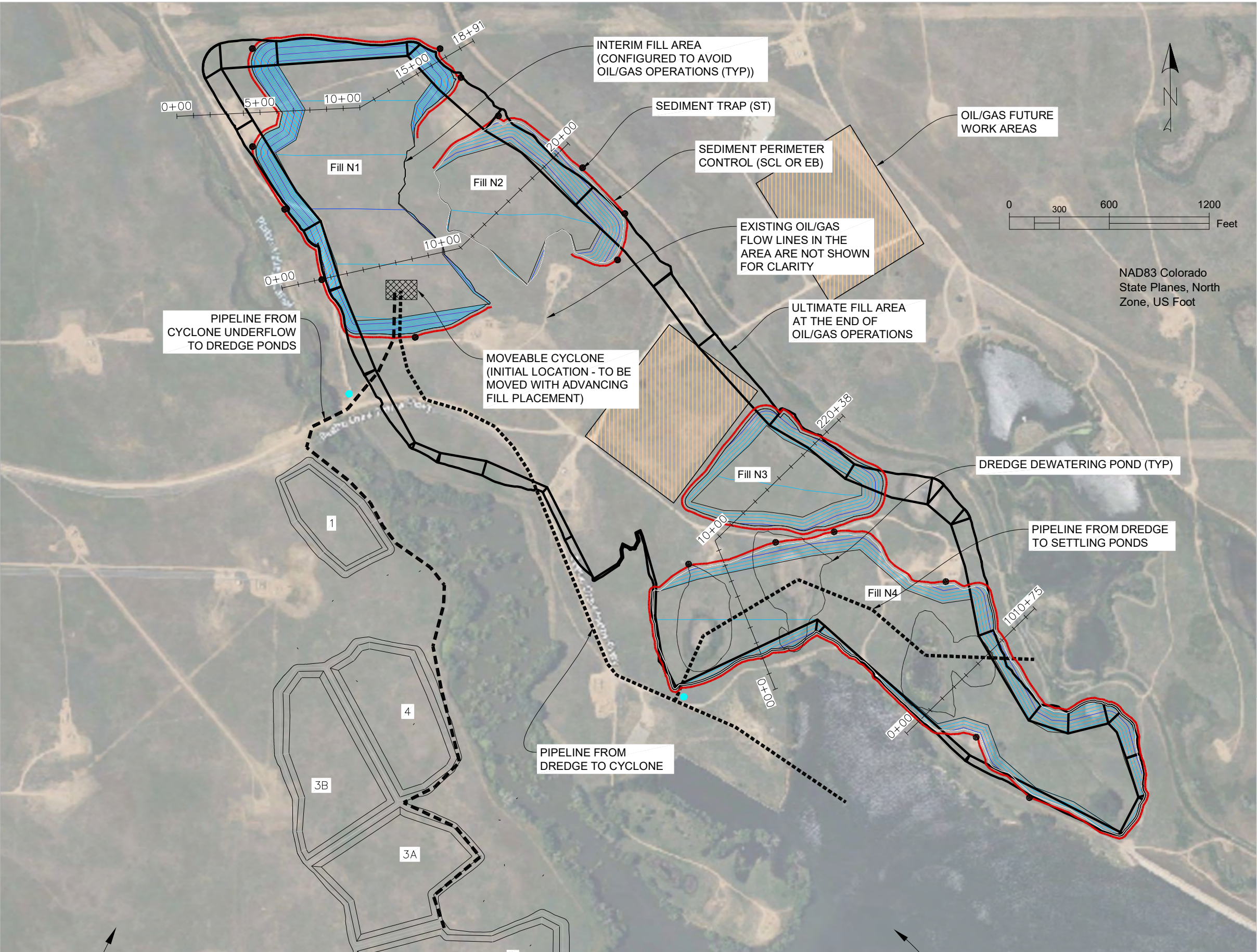
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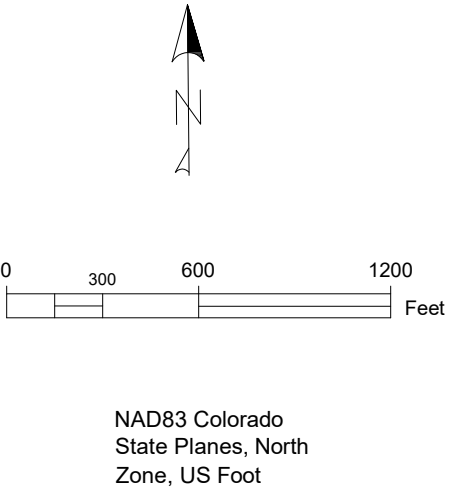
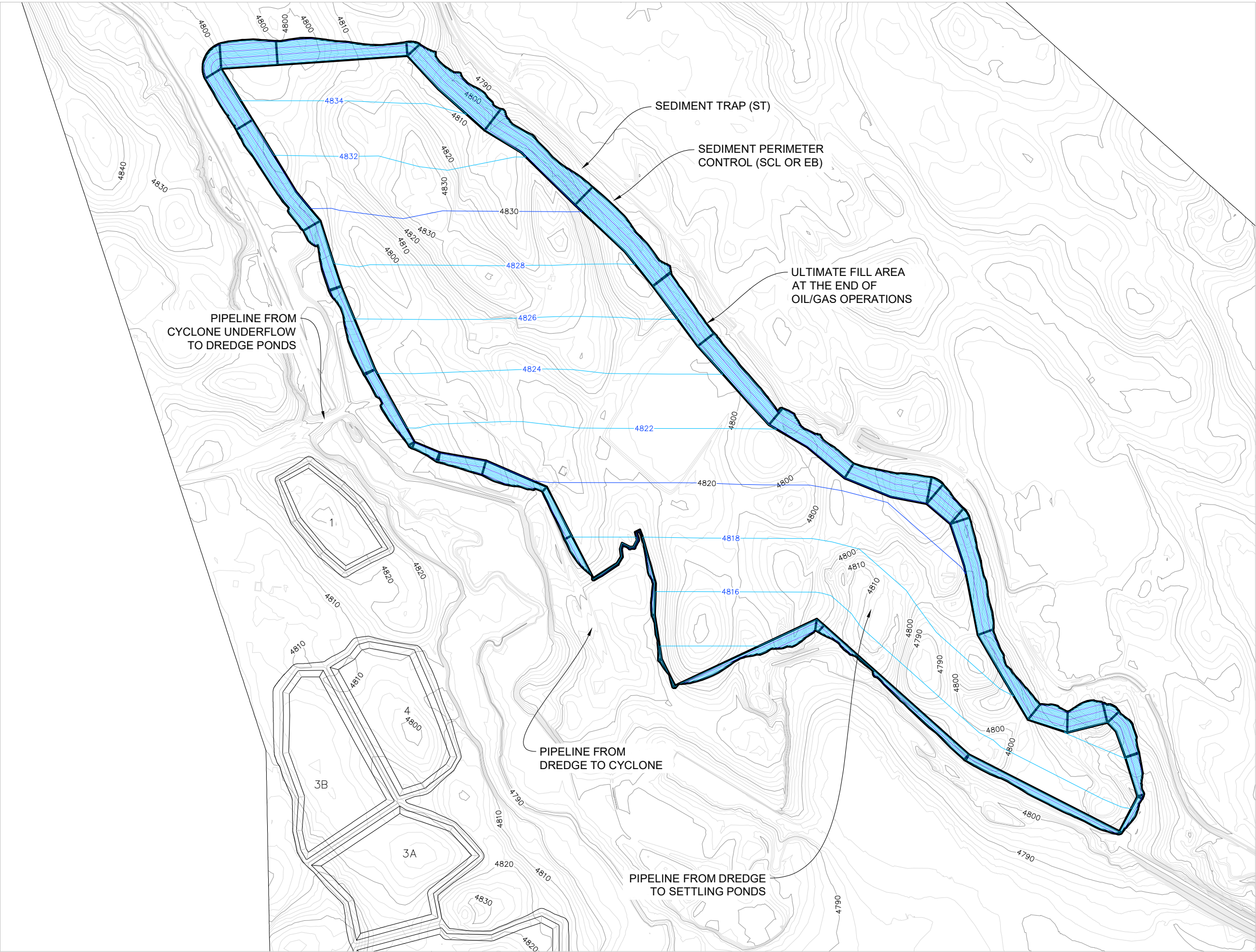
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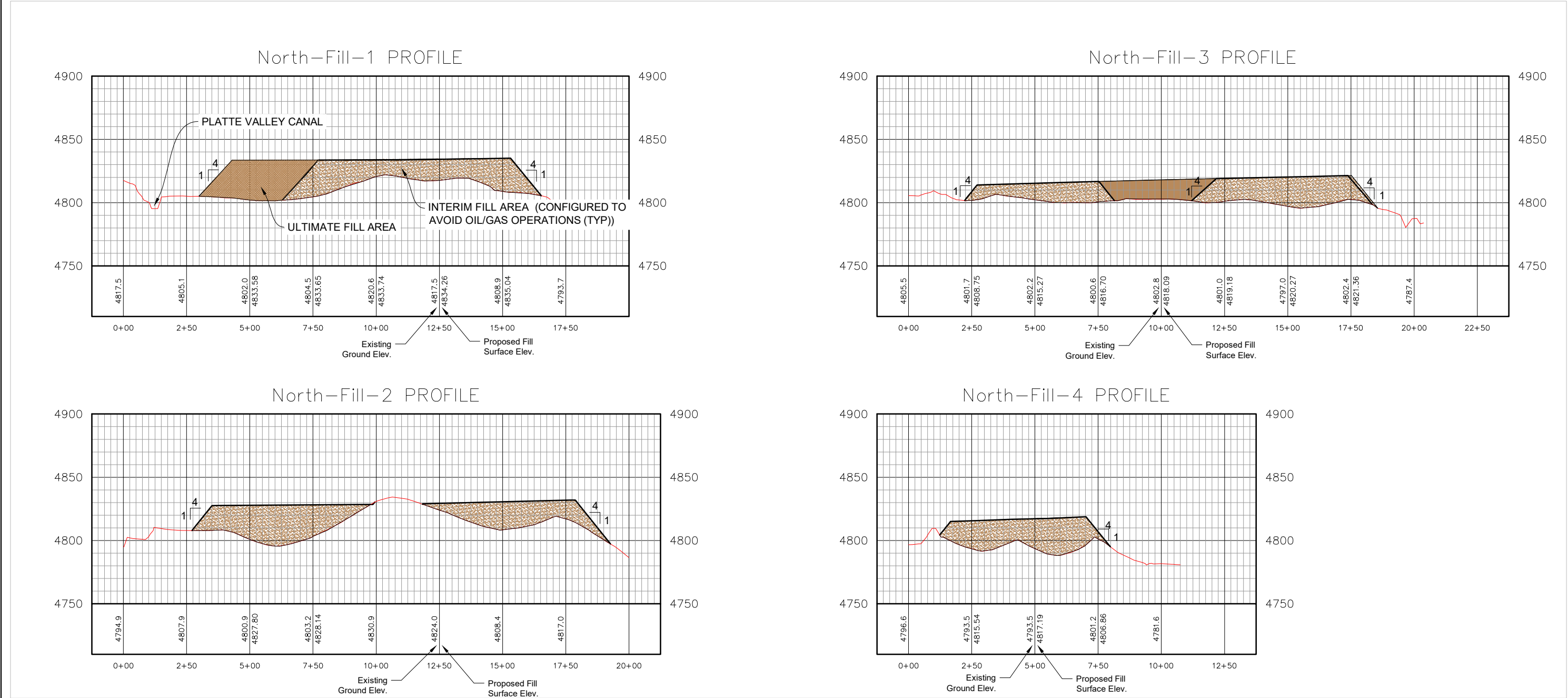
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SPECIFICATIONS:

1. SUBGRADE PREPARATION: THE SUBGRADE BENEATH THE BERMS SHOULD BE FREE OF VEGETATION AND UNSUITABLE MATERIALS. SOFT, SATURATED, AND/OR LOOSE SOILS ENCOUNTERED DURING SUBGRADE PREPARATION SHALL BE REMOVED AND COMPETENT MATERIALS EXPOSED. PRIOR TO PLACEMENT OF FILL, THE EXPOSED SUBGRADE SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY SCARIFIED AND WELL-MIXED TO A DEPTH OF 6 INCHES, ADJUSTED TO A MOISTURE CONTENT WITHIN 3 PERCENT OF OPTIMUM, AND COMPACTED TO 95% OF THE STANDARD PROCTOR (ASTM D698) MAXIMUM DRY DENSITY.

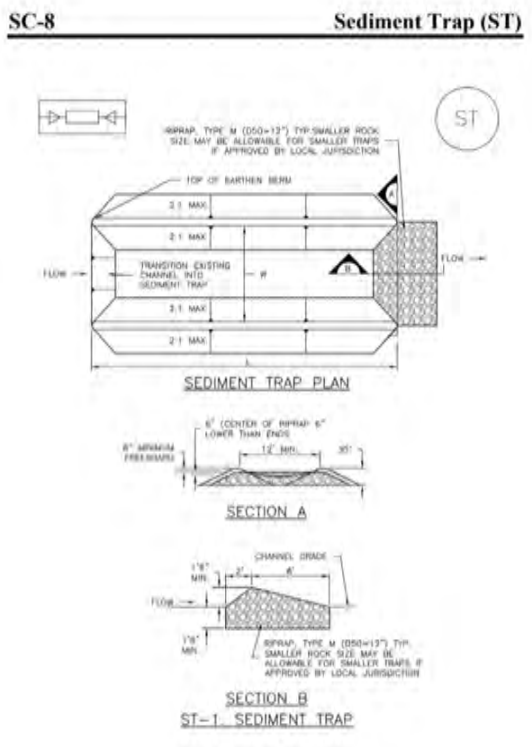
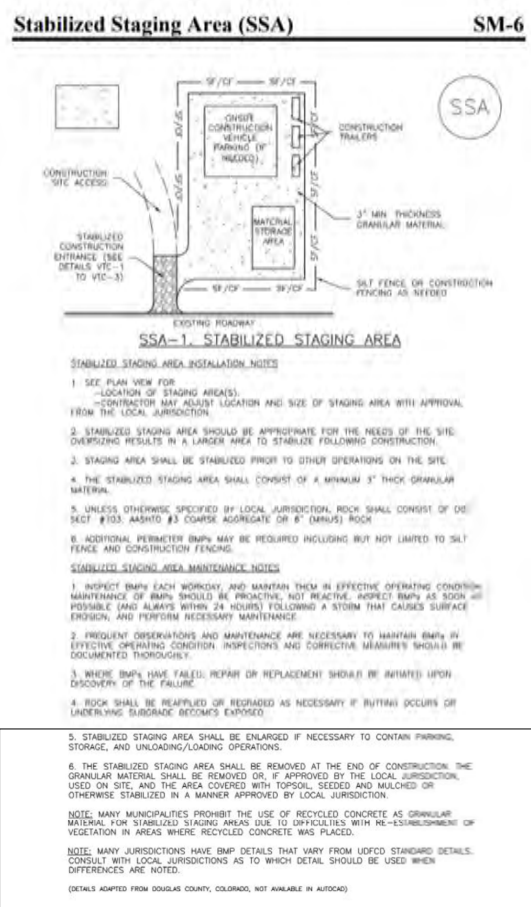
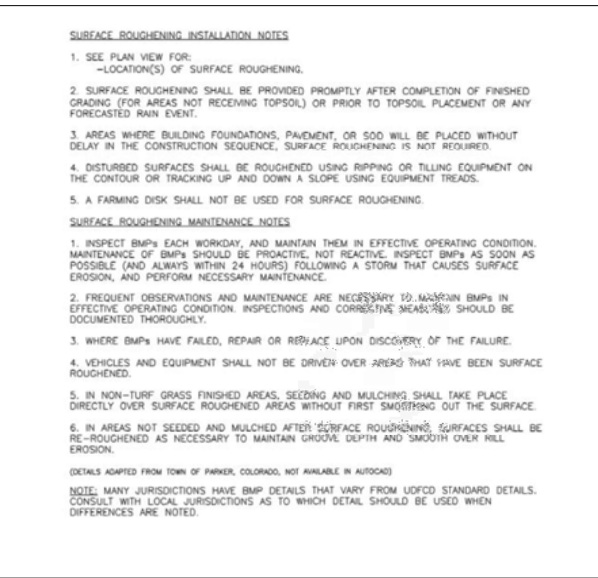
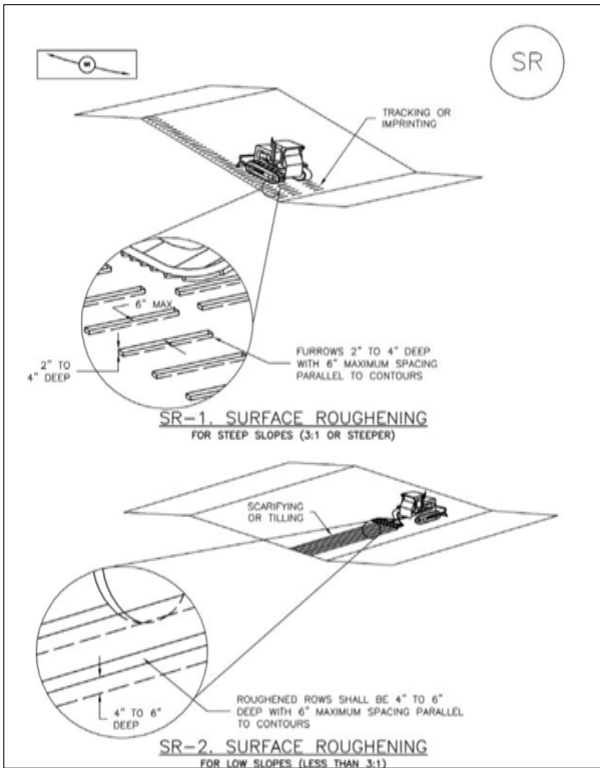
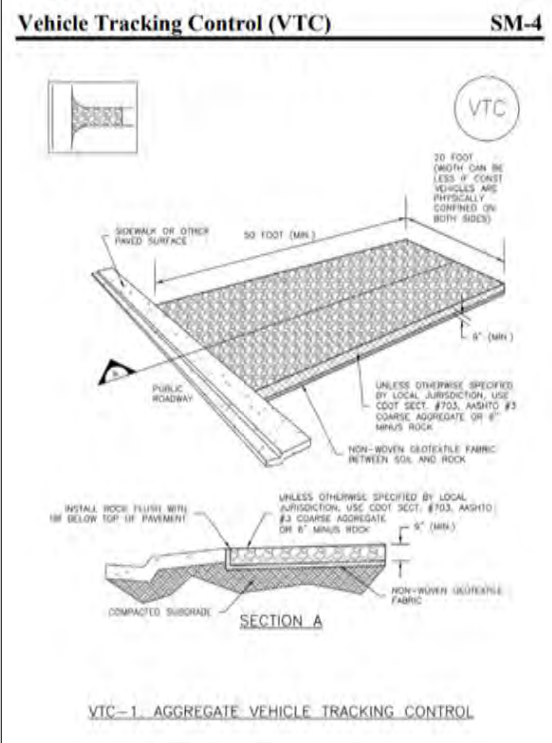
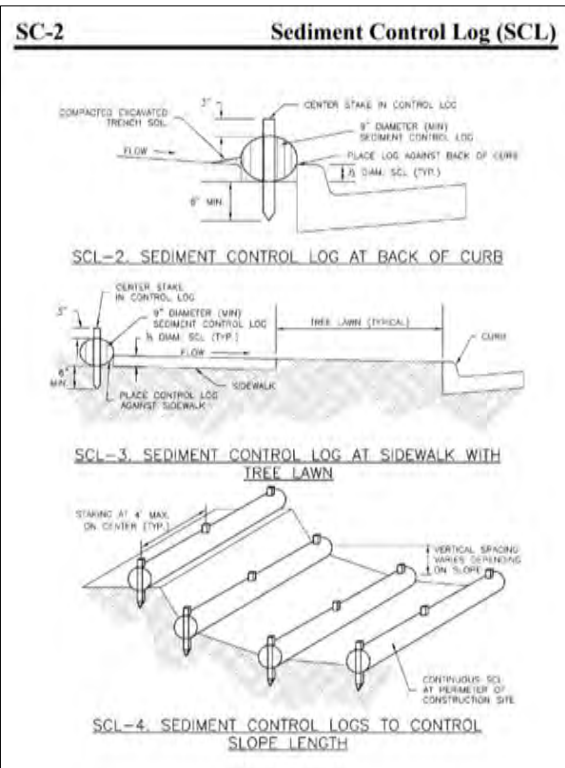
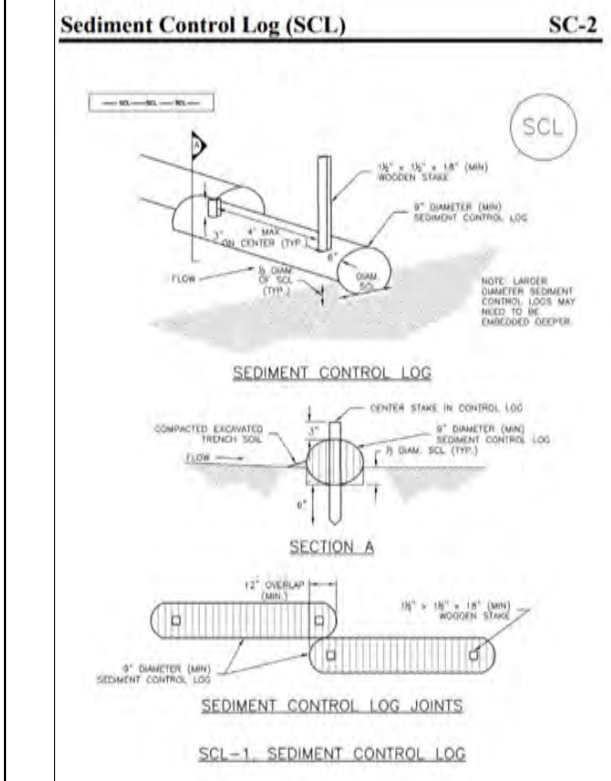
2. FILL OPERATIONS: MATERIALS WILL BE GENERATED FROM EXCAVATING WITHIN THE PROJECT AND CAN CONSIST OF A WIDE RANGE OF SOIL CLASSIFICATION. FROZEN MATERIAL, ICE, SNOW, COBBLES/RUBBLE LARGE ENOUGH TO INTERFERE WITH COMPACTION, DEBRIS AND OTHER DELETERIOUS MATERIAL SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM FILL MATERIALS. MATERIALS SHALL BE PLACED IN MAXIMUM ONE-FOOT COMPACTED LIFT THICKNESS AND TO AT LEAST 95% OF THE MAXIMUM DRY DENSITY AND TO WITHIN 3% OF THE OPTIMUM MOISTURE CONTENT DETERMINED BY THE MODIFIED PROCTOR METHOD (ASTM D698).
3. DENSITY TESTING FREQUENCY REQUIREMENTS: DENSITY TESTING SHALL BE PERFORMED AT A MINIMUM FREQUENCY OF ONE PER 5000 CY OF BACKFILL PLACED. THE TESTS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE DIFFERENT LIFT LAYERS AND Laterally throughout the project. Additional testing will be required at the onset of fill operations to determine methods and procedures needed to obtain the proper moisture and compaction. Nuclear density or sand cone density are approved methods for completing the in place moisture/density testing.

4. PROTECTION OF FILL MATERIALS: MATERIALS THAT HAVE BEEN COMPACTED AND MOISTURE CONDITIONS TO THE SPECIFICATIONS SHALL BE PROTECTED FROM FREEZING, EXCESS DRYING, INUNDATION, AND BECOMING SATURATED FROM PRECIPITATION EVENTS. FINISHED AREAS THAT HAVE BECOME DAMAGE OR COMPROMISED SHALL BE REMOVED AND REPLACED PER THE REQUIRED SPECIFICATIONS.

5. LABORATORY TESTING: FILL MATERIALS SHALL BE SUBJECTED TO LABORATORY INDEX TESTING (GRADATION, ATTERBERG LIMITS, MODIFIED PROCTOR AND NATURAL MOISTURE CONTENT) AT A MINIMUM RATE OF ONE SAMPLE PER 15,000 CY OF MATERIAL PLACED OR IF A CHANGE IN MATERIAL IS ENCOUNTERED.

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MILTON RESERVOIR BASIN EXCAVATION and MATERIALS HANDLING PLAN NORTH-NORTHWEST FILL AREAS SUMMARY OF PROPOSED WORK ACTIVITIES

Milton reservoir is a plains reservoir fed by surface water diversions from the South Platte River through the Platte Valley and Beebe canals. It is owned and operated by Farmer's Reservoir and Irrigation Company (FRICO). Since its original construction in the early 1900s, the reservoir has accumulated a significant amount of sediment that are conveyed with inflows that enter the facility. It is estimated that the accumulated sediments have resulted in approximately 4,000 to 8,000 acre feet of lost reservoir capacity. A geotechnical investigation was completed in 2019 to evaluate accumulated sediments. From this evaluation, sediments were found to consist of primarily silty to lean clay sands with thicknesses ranging from 3 to 10 feet. FRICO started removing these sediments in November 2021 and will continue the removal process for several more years (+10 years). The removal process consists of using conventional earthmoving equipment such as scrapers and a dredge operation. Removal with conventional earthmoving equipment involved excavating materials directly from the reservoir and moving them to stockpiles located outside of the reservoir footprint. A dredge equipped with a cutter head and suction is currently and will continue to be used to remove solids as a slurry from the lake bottom which will be pumped to discharge basins located near the shoreline. Dredged materials are produced at a solids content of approximately 20% and require dewatering prior to hauling and placing the solids into a stockpile or fill areas. FRICO is currently dewatering the slurry using temporary holding/dewatering basins (dredge ponds). FRICO plans to expand the dewatering process using a cyclone operation where soil particles are removed from water through a vortex separation method. Once substantially dewatered, the materials will be moved to a stockpile or fill area. FRICO currently operates this project under two CDPS General Permits (COR400000) Certification Numbers: COR414592 (Date 2021-10-26) and COR418738 (11/10/2022).

Existing Permit COR414592: FRICO is currently dredging sediments from the reservoir and pumping the slurry to temporary holding bays for dewatering purposes. The current holding bays are located within an outer finger of the basin as shown on the drawing as "Dredged Settling Ponds". Once materials are sufficiently dewatered, they are moved to an area to the west denoted as the West Stockpile on the drawings. The stockpile is being developed as needed to contain the materials being removed during specific timeframes. The stockpiles have a maximum stack height of ~50 feet with outer slopes of 3H:1V. The stockpiles will be stabilized by establishing a vegetative cover. Interim sediment control BMPs are being implemented as needed to manage sediment and erosion during construction and until the site has been stabilized.

Existing Permit COR418738: Additionally, FRICO is currently building ponds adjacent to and northwest of the reservoir as shown on the drawings. The ponds are irregularly shaped with the intent of blending with the topography. The ponds were configured to avoid oil/gas pipelines and workings and to avoid excessive cut. The ponds will be constructed by a cut/fill operation where materials generated from cut will be used

for construction of the outer embankments. Embankments will be limited to approximately 10 feet high, have 3H:1V upstream slope and a 3H:1V downstream slopes with a 20-foot-wide crest, and be constructed of compacted fill materials placed in thin lifts. The ponds will be a maximum of approximately 10 feet deep, and, in some areas, the bottom of the pond will need to be filled to maintain the 10-foot depth.

EXPANDED PROJECT ACTIVITIES: FRICO plans to expand the project to include filling areas to the north-northwest side of the reservoir with dewatered sediments removed from the reservoir either by dredging or conventional earthmoving equipment. FRICO plans to use a cyclone to assist with the dewatering process. In general, the cyclone will be used to separate a significant portion of the solids from the dredged slurry mixture. The cyclone operation has an underflow discharge (drier, larger solids) and overflow (water mixed with some finer solids). The underflow will be routed to the fill areas either with a radial stacker or hauling equipment. Overflow will be directed via a large diameter pipeline to the dredge ponds where the remainder of the solids can be further dewatering via decanting and gravity operations. Once dewatered, the solids will be removed and placed into stockpiles or fill areas. The cyclone will be placed on a moveable platform such that it can be moved to accommodate the expanding fill area.

Interim fill placement areas (Fill N1, Fill N2, Fill N3, and Fill N4) have been developed based on working around, providing sufficient buffer for, and allowing access to the oil/gas well sites and associated pipelines as shown on the drawings. The interim configuration consists of four fill areas that can contain approximately 3 million cubic yards (CY).

The ultimate grading plan includes elevating the area on the lower end next to the lake approximately 15 ft above the high water level to an elevation of 4815 ft. This is five feet above the Milton dam crest elevation of 4810 ft and 12 ft above the emergency spillway elevation of 4803 ft. From the lower end moving northwest, the fill will be placed to form a finished surface having an overall slope of 0.5% to an elevation of 4835 ft on the northwest end. The outer fill slopes will be constructed at 4H:1V. Access to the fill area will be developed by excavating into the fill side slopes and creating a road surface with a gradient no greater than 4%. The ultimate configuration provides storage for approximately 5,000,000 cubic yards (CY) of fill material.

Another approach to dewatering will be to use the existing ponds at the south end of the fill area as shown on the drawing. To supplement the cyclone operation during the irrigation season when the Gilmore ditch is operating, FRICO will use these ponds for temporary holding and clarification of slurried dredged materials. Once water has clarified in the ponds, water would then decant over the crest of the ponds and outlet into the Evans #2 ditch and outflow into the Christina Pond. Here further clarification can occur prior to outfalling to the Gilmore ditch.

Sediment and erosion control would be completed in phases with implementation of pre-construction BMPs and work continuing through final stabilization. The plans would be dynamic and reviewed/adjusted periodically as the project develops over time. The Pre-Construction and Site Access Phase would include the installation of vehicle tracking control, perimeter controls around stockpile locations, and stabilized staging areas. Perimeter control will consist of installing sediment control logs or earthen berms as needed to intercept stormwater runoff from disturbed areas. If needed, stormwater

runoff will be directed to sediment traps (ST) that will be constructed to capture runoff at low points around the facilities. The Construction Phase would include modifying the location of sediment control logs/berms as needed to accommodate stockpiles development, applying gravel and/or water to haul roads for dust control, surface roughening, seeding, and mulching. The Final Stabilization Phase would include temporary or permanent seeding, erosion control blankets, and removing all temporary BMPs when site has reached final stabilization.



