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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area, located in Technical Area 15 (TA-15) and TA-49 at Los Alamos National Laboratory, includes a total of 3 solid waste management units and 8 areas of concern. Of these 11 sites, 4 sites have been approved for no further action, and 1 site is being addressed under another investigation. For the remaining 6 sites requiring investigation, this historical investigation report provides site descriptions, summarizes previous investigations, and presents analytical results. The background information and previous investigations discussed within this report form the basis for the proposed sampling design necessary to complete site investigations, as discussed in the Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area investigation work plan.

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL or the Laboratory) is a multidisciplinary research facility owned by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and managed by Los Alamos National Security, LLC. The Laboratory is located in north-central New Mexico approximately 60 mi northeast of Albuquerque and 20 mi northwest of Santa Fe. The Laboratory site covers approximately 39 mi<sup>2</sup> of the Pajarito Plateau, which consists of a series of fingerlike mesas separated by deep canyons containing perennial and intermittent streams running from west to east. Mesa tops range in elevation from approximately 6200 to 7800 ft above mean sea level. Figure 1.0-1 shows the location of Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area with respect to Laboratory technical areas (TAs) and surrounding land holdings.

The Laboratory is participating in a national effort by DOE to reduce risk to human health and the environment at its facilities. The goal of the Laboratory's effort is to ensure that past operations do not threaten human or environmental health and safety in and around Los Alamos County, New Mexico. To achieve this goal, the Laboratory is currently investigating sites potentially contaminated by past Laboratory operations. The sites under investigation are designated as solid waste management units (SWMUs) and areas of concern (AOCs).

This historical investigation report (HIR) describes operational histories, previous investigations, and analytical data for SWMUs and AOCs in Technical Area 15 (TA-15). These sites are potentially contaminated with hazardous chemicals and radionuclides. The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), pursuant to the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Act, regulates cleanup of hazardous wastes and hazardous constituents. DOE regulates cleanup of radioactive contamination, pursuant to DOE Order 458.1, Administrative Change 3, "Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment," and DOE Order 435.1, "Radioactive Waste Management." Information on radioactive materials and radionuclides, including the results of sampling and analysis of radioactive constituents, is voluntarily provided to NMED in accordance with DOE policy.

Corrective actions at the Laboratory are subject to a Compliance Order on Consent (the Consent Order). This HIR provides supporting information for activities performed under the investigation work plan (LANL 2016, 601538) that will be executed and completed in accordance with the Consent Order.

#### 1.1 Historical Investigation Report Overview

The Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area includes 3 SWMUs and 8 AOCs located in TA-15 and TA-49. Of these 11 sites, 4 sites have been approved for no further action (NFA), and 1 site in TA-49 is being investigated under another aggregate area investigation. The remaining 6 sites require additional characterization and are addressed in this report. Table1.1-1 provides a summary of the 11 sites within the aggregate area and their status. The NFA sites and the single site being investigated under another investigation are referenced in Table 1.1-1, with brief descriptions and references to the corresponding approval documents, but are not discussed further in the HIR.

The purpose of this HIR is to provide supporting information for the activities necessary to complete the investigations as presented in the Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area investigation work plan (LANL 2016, 601538).

Section 2 of this HIR provides site descriptions and operational histories, summarizes previous investigations, and presents analytical data for the sites under investigation. For each site, the location, historical operations, and current status are described first, followed by descriptions of historical investigations with dates and activities conducted. The section also summarizes results of analytical data

obtained from previous investigations. Plate 1 shows the locations of the sites under investigation within the Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area.

Appendix A includes a list of acronyms and abbreviations, a metric conversion table, and a data qualifier definitions table. Appendix B presents the screening-level data from previous investigations. Appendix C contains site photographs.

#### 1.2 Data Overview

Data evaluated in this report include historical data collected in 1995 as part of Resource Conservation and Recovery Act facility investigations (RFIs). In the Environmental Management Directorate's database, all data records include a vintage code field denoting how and where samples were collected and submitted for analyses.

Samples described in this HIR have undergone analyses at both on-site and off-site laboratories. In general, because analytical practices and documentation of analyses vary in quality and completeness, analytical data presented are designated as either screening-level or decision-level quality. Because the data from these sites are approximately 20 yr old, they are considered screening-level data. Screening-level data are appropriate for applications that require only determination of areas of gross contamination and/or for site characterization. Screening-level data are also often used to specify areas where additional data should be collected.

# 2.0 SITES UNDER INVESTIGATION

TA-15 is located in the south-central portion of the Laboratory and is bounded by TA-14, TA-16, and TA-37 to the west, TA-49 to the south, TA-36 to the east, and TA-67 to the north (Figure 1.0-1). The portion of TA-15 within the Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area drains to the south to Water Canyon.

TA-15 has been used from the mid-1940s to the present for explosives experiments. In that capacity, test explosions ranging from a few kilograms of high explosives (HE) to as much as 650 kg were conducted. These experiments used natural uranium, depleted uranium (DU), lesser quantities of beryllium, and other metals. In most cases, the tests were carried out aboveground, which resulted in the test materials being scattered over areas. Based on estimates from Laboratory records, approximately 75 metric tons of natural uranium and DU have been expended at the TA-15 firing sites since the mid-1940s (LANL 1993, 020946, pp. E2, E9). The only TA-15 operating areas within the Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area are the Pulsed High-Energy Radiographic Machine Emitting X-rays (PHERMEX) facility and the Dual-Axis Radiographic Hydrodynamic Test (DARHT) facility. PHERMEX is currently inactive and was used to radiograph explosive tests; DARHT is active but no SWMUs or AOCs are associated with it. One inactive firing site, Firing Site H [SWMU 15-004(h)], is located within this aggregate area.

Most of the sites in this HIR are located near the PHERMEX facility, which became operational in 1961. During the time period 1961 to 1971, a maximum of 4000 kg of DU was expended at the PHERMEX site. During that same time period, about 150 kg of beryllium, 250 kg of lead, 40 kg mercury, and 40 kg of thorium were expended. Since 1971, less than 1000 kg per year of uranium-238 was expended at the PHERMEX firing site. Beryllium usage decreased from about 10 kg per year in 1971 to about 3 kg per year in 1987 (LANL 1993, 020946, p. 6-5).

# 2.1 AOC 15-001, Storage Area

# 2.1.1 Description and History

AOC 15-001 consists of a storage area, referred to as "The Boneyard," located within TA-15 adjacent to inactive Firing Site G [SWMU 15-004(g)] (Figure 2.1-1). AOC 15-001 is located just northeast of a former firing bunker (structure 15-9). The area was used to store materials associated with activities at the DARHT and PHERMEX facilities. These materials, which included equipment, steel, experimental vessels, and construction debris, were stored in the open, on the ground surface, and within transportainers and small storage sheds. Materials stored at AOC 15-001 before the mid-1990s have been removed, but small pieces of debris (e.g., metal scrap) may still be present. The area is currently being used to store equipment associated with ongoing activities at TA-15 (Appendix C, Figure C-1).

# 2.1.2 Previous Investigations

Although previous investigations have not specifically addressed AOC 15-001, they have addressed the general area that could have been impacted by Firing Site G [SWMU 15-004(g)], including the area occupied by AOC 15-001. A 1982 aerial radiological survey identified no radionuclides above background levels at Firing Site G or adjacent areas. However, during surface surveys performed at the site in 1991 and 1996, several areas of radiological surface contamination were identified. This contamination is believed to be associated with uranium debris from tests conducted at Firing Site G. Although investigation of AOC 15-001 was proposed in the Operating Unit (OU) 1086 RFI work plan, investigation of this site was deferred during the 1995–1996 RFI because it was an active site (LANL 1996, 054977, p. 5-1). However, three surface samples were collected at three locations within and adjacent to AOC 15-001 from depth intervals of 0–0.25 ft, 0–0.33 ft, and 0–0.5 ft below ground surface (bgs). The samples were submitted to an off-site contract analytical laboratory for analysis of uranium. Samples collected and analyses requested are presented in Table 2.1-1.

# 2.1.3 Analytical Results

Inorganic chemicals detected above background values (BVs) during the 1995–1996 RFI include uranium. Uranium was detected above the soil BV (1.82 mg/kg) in three samples with a maximum concentration of 6.37 mg/kg.

Analytical data from the 1995–1996 RFI sampling are presented in Table 2.1-2. Sampling locations and results of uranium detected above BV are shown in Figure 2.1-2.

# 2.2 AOC 15-004(h), Firing Site H

# 2.2.1 Description and History

AOC 15-004(h) is inactive Firing Site H located northwest of the PHERMEX facility at TA-15 (Figure 2.2-1). Firing Site H is located approximately 100 ft north of the PHERMEX power control building (structure 15-185). The explosives testing firing site was constructed in 1948 and included a concrete pad, a protective berm, an instrument chamber (former structure 15-17), and a camera chamber (structure 15-92). The exact nature of the materials used during tests is not known but may have included DU, beryllium, lead, and HE. Firing site operations were discontinued in approximately 1953 (LANL 1993, 020946, p. 8-23), and the instrument chamber was demolished in 1967. The camera chamber and the concrete pad remain on-site, but the concrete pad has been partially covered with fill.

#### 2.2.2 Previous Investigations

Although the investigation of AOC 15-004(h) was proposed in the OU 1086 RFI work plan, the investigation of this site was deferred during the 1995–1996 RFI because it was within the active PHERMEX hazard area (LANL 1996, 054977, p. 5-1). However, 11 surface samples (0.0–0.17 ft bgs to 0.0–0.5 ft bgs) and 7 subsurface samples (1.08–1.58 ft bgs or 1.5–2.0 ft bgs) were collected from 11 locations. The samples were submitted to an off-site contract analytical laboratory for analysis of uranium. Samples collected and analyses requested are presented in Table 2.2-1.

#### 2.2.3 Analytical Results

Inorganic chemicals detected above BV during the 1995–1996 RFI include uranium. Uranium was detected above the soil BV (1.82 mg/kg) in 18 samples with a maximum concentration of 510 mg/kg.

Analytical data from the 1995–1996 RFI sampling are presented in Table 2.2-2. Sampling locations and results of uranium detected above BV are shown in Figure 2.2-2.

#### 2.3 SWMU 15-009(g), Septic System

#### 2.3.1 Description and History

SWMU 15-009(g) consists of an inactive septic system at the PHERMEX facility that is located south of the chamber building (structure 15-184) (Figure 2.3-1). The septic system consists of a septic tank (structure 15-205), leach field, and inlet and outlet drainlines. The 4 ft × 8 ft × 5 ft reinforced concrete septic tank was installed in 1960 and has a capacity of 605 gal. The septic tank discharged to a 10 ft × 75 ft leach field (LASL 1959, 601541). The septic system received sanitary wastes from restrooms, sinks, and a water fountain within the power control building (structure 15-185) and from floor drains, a restroom, and a hot water heater within the detection chamber (structure 15-186) (Santa Fe Engineering Ltd. 1992, 020981). Beginning in 1987, the septic system began receiving discharges from restrooms within the PHERMEX Multidiagnostic Operations Building (structure 15-310). Engineering drawing C-49874, sheet 5, indicates that in 1996, the noncontact cooling water discharge from building 15-184 was plumbed into the sanitary line connected to the SWMU 15-009(g) septic system (LANL 1996, 601540). All facilities connected to the septic system are now inactive, and there is currently no discharge to the system.

#### 2.3.2 Previous Investigations

No previous investigations have been conducted at SWMU 15-009(g).

#### 2.3.3 Analytical Results

There are no analytical results for SWMU 15-009(g).

#### 2.4 AOC 15-014(d), Drainline and Outfall

#### 2.4.1 Description and History

AOC 15-014(d) consists of a drainline and outfall located south of the PHERMEX facility in the southeast portion of TA-15 (Figure 2.4-1). The outfall received storm water from roof drains on the power control building (structure 15-185) and discharge from the SWMU 15-014(I) outfall. SWMU 15-014(I) received

wash water from floor drains in building 15-185 and cooling tower blowdown from structure 15-202 (Santa Fe Engineering 1992, 020981). Engineering drawing ENG-C-37323 (LASL 1969, 601543) indicates that the AOC 15-014(d) drainline, which consists of a corrugated metal pipe connected to the SWMU 15-014(l) outfall and the building 15-185 roof drains, was installed in approximately 1969. Before that time, the roof drain and floor drains from building 15-185 discharged to the paved area behind the building and flowed to a drainage channel adjacent to the roadway south of PHERMEX. The AOC 15-014(d) outfall is located at the head of a drainage channel that flows to Water Canyon. The outfall still receives storm water from the roof drains on building 15-18, as well as any storm water entering the SWMU 15-014(l) drop inlet.

#### 2.4.2 Previous Investigations

No previous investigations have been conducted at AOC 15-014(d).

#### 2.4.3 Analytical Results

There are no analytical results for AOC 15-014(d).

#### 2.5 SWMU 15-014(I), Drainline and Outfall from Building 15-185

#### 2.5.1 Description and History

SWMU 15-014(I) is a drainline and formerly permitted outfall (EPA 03A028) for a cooling tower (structure 15-202) located at the PHERMEX facility in TA-15 (Figures 2.2-1 and 2.5-1). This drainline and outfall received blowdown discharge from the cooling tower, which was installed in 1961. Cooling water was piped to building 15-185 and blowdown discharged to a basement floor drain. The basement floor drain discharged to a concrete gutter in the paved area south of building 15-185 (LASL 1961, 601542). Discharges from the gutter flowed to a drainage ditch adjacent to the roadway and into a culvert that drained to the ground surface south of the roadway. This culvert also received discharges from the floor drains in building 15-184. In 1969, a corrugated metal pipe was installed to convey discharges from the SWMU 15-014(I) outfall to a new outfall south of the parking area and roadway (LASL 1969, 601543). The drainline and outfall installed in 1969 comprise AOC 15-014(d). The SWMU 15-014(I) outfall is currently located within a drop inlet in a paved area outside the southeast corner of building 15-185 (Appendix C, Figure C-2). Outfall 03A028 was removed from the Laboratory's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit in 2007. The outfall currently receives only storm water discharges from the drop inlet.

#### 2.5.2 Previous Investigations

No previous investigations have been conducted at SWMU 15-014(I).

#### 2.5.3 Analytical Results

There are no analytical results for SWMU 15-014(I).

#### 2.6 AOC C-15-011, Former Underground Tank

#### 2.6.1 Description and History

AOC C-15-011 consists of a former underground fuel storage tank (structure 15-274) that was located at the PHERMEX facility in the southeast portion of TA-15 (Figure 2.6-1). The galvanized steel storage tank was installed in 1973 and was located immediately south of the power control building (structure 15-185). The storage tank had a capacity of 218 gal., and the bottom of the tank was reported to be 6 ft bgs. The tank was removed in 1987 (LANL 1993, 020946, p. 8-26). The surface of the former tank location is now an asphalt parking lot (Appendix C, Figure C-3).

#### 2.6.2 Previous Investigations

During the 1995-1996 RFI conducted at AOC C-15-011, two subsurface samples were collected from one borehole from depth intervals of 6–6.5 ft bgs and 10–10.5 ft bgs next to the former tank location. The samples were field-screened for radioactivity and submitted to an off-site contract analytical laboratory for analysis of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and semivolatile organic compounds (SVOCs). Samples collected and analyses requested are presented in Table 2.6-1.

#### 2.6.3 Analytical Results

No organic chemicals were detected in the RFI samples.

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Primary paved road: ksl\_centerline\_arc; Road Centerlines; Los Alamos National Laboratory, KSL Site Support Services, Planning, Locating and Mapping Section; 15 December 2005; Unknown publication date.

Secondary paved road: ksl\_centerline\_arc; Road Centerlines; Los Alamos National Laboratory, KSL Site Support Services, Planning, Locating and Mapping Section; 15 December 2005; Unknown publication date.

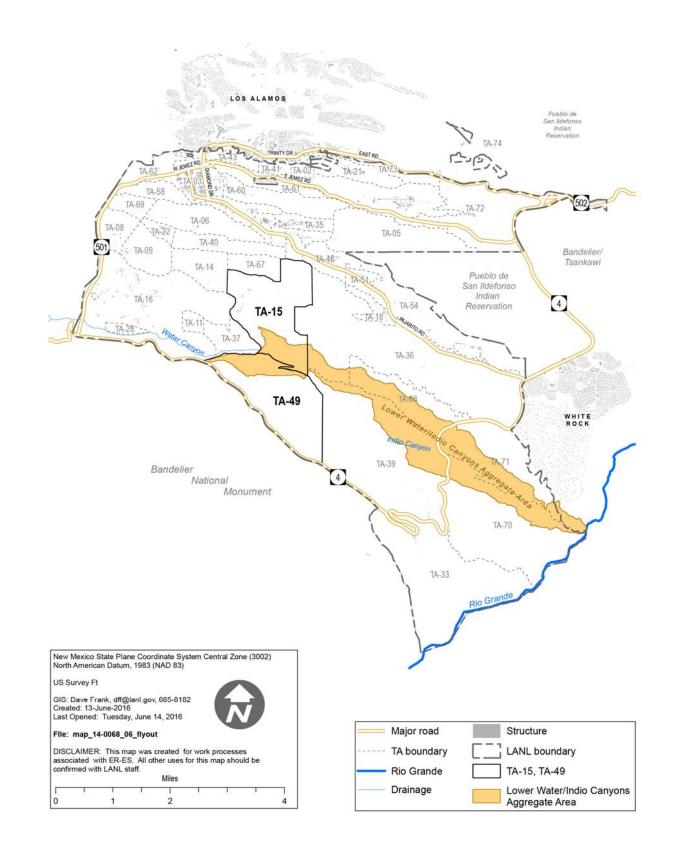


Figure 1.0-1 Location of Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area with respect to Laboratory technical areas and surrounding land holdings

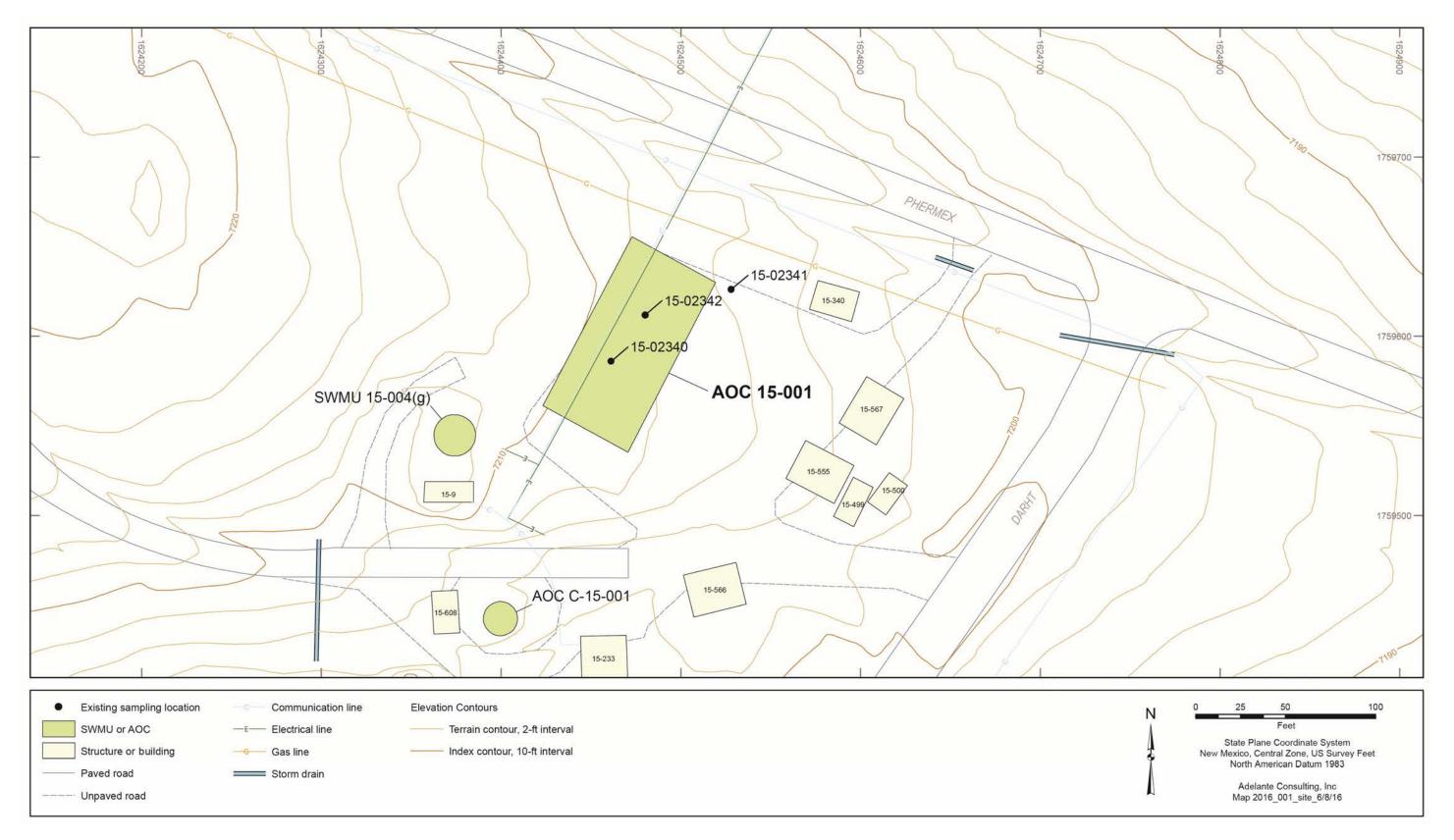


Figure 2.1-1 Site features and historical sampling locations for AOC 15-001

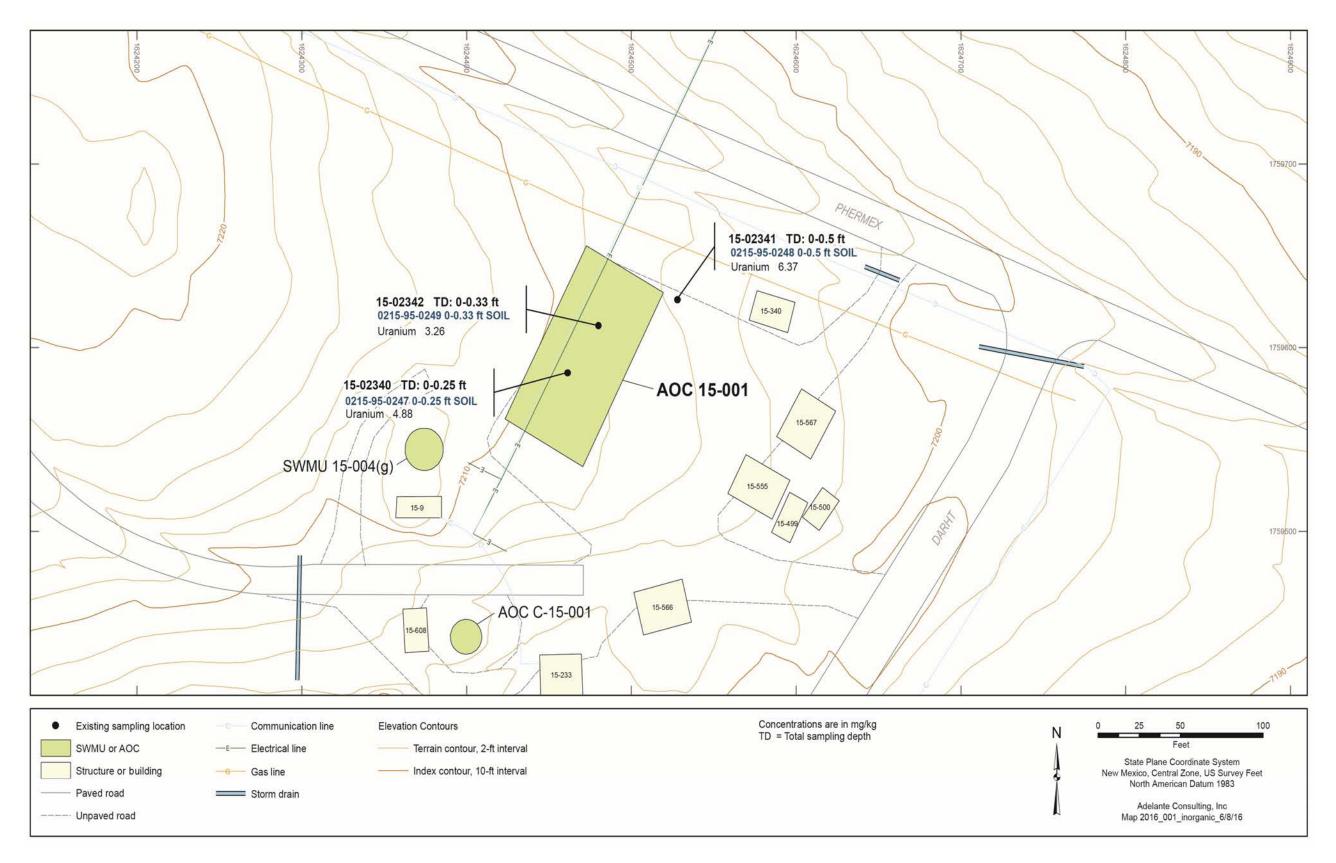


Figure 2.1-2 Inorganic chemicals detected above BVs at AOC 15-001

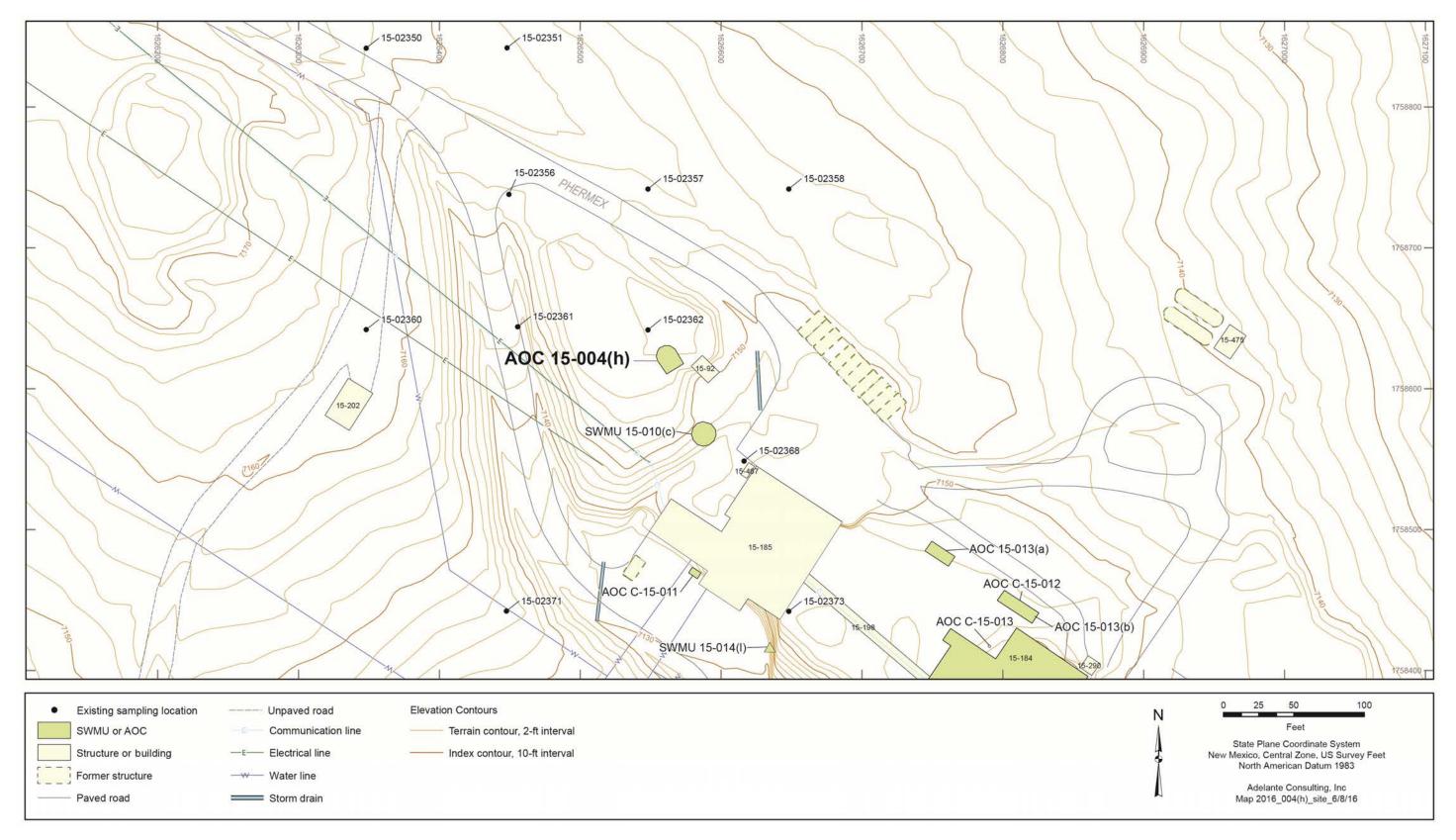


Figure 2.2-1 Site features and historical sampling locations for AOC 15-004(h)

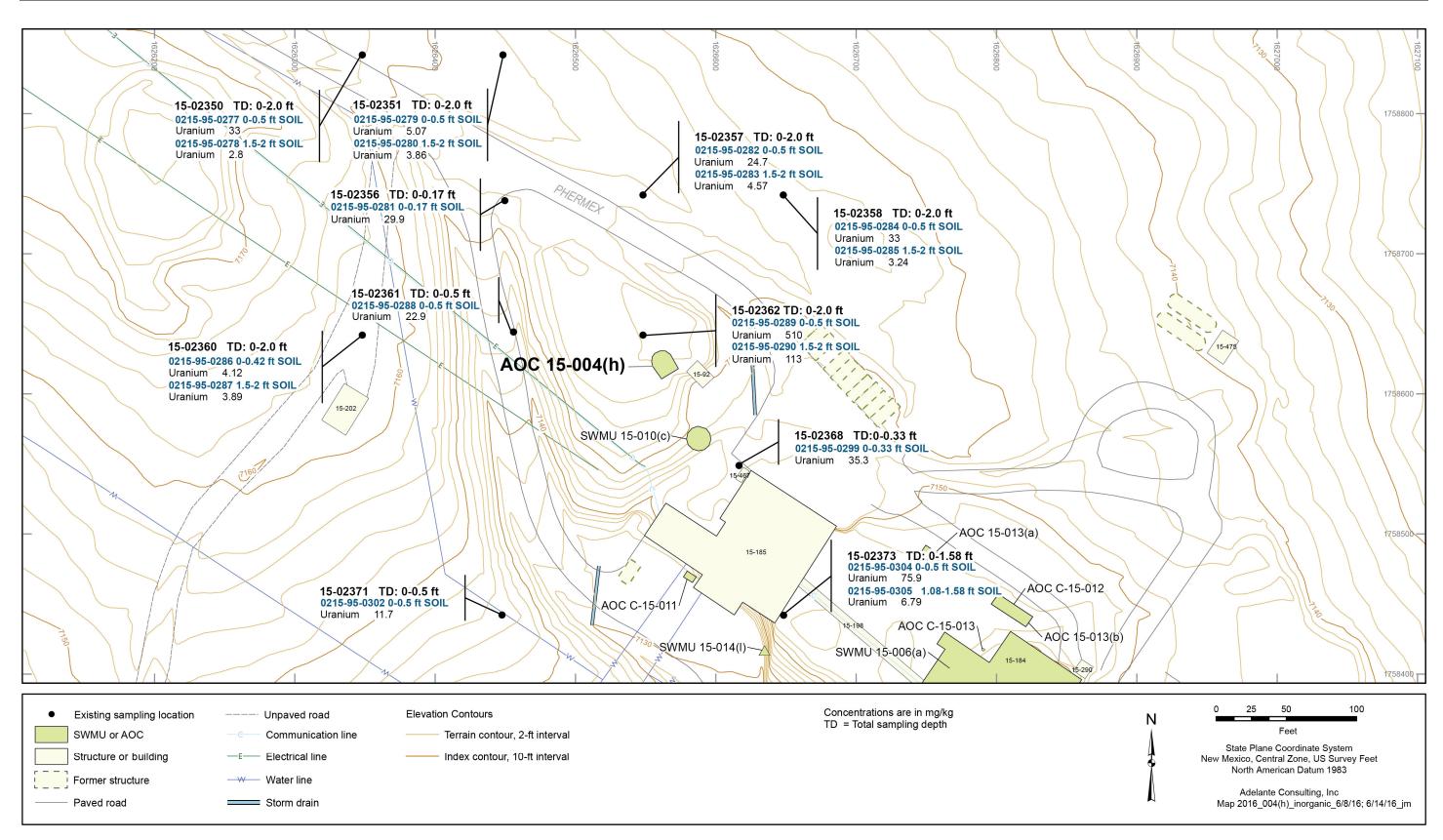


Figure 2.2-2 Inorganic chemicals detected above BVs at AOC 15-004(h)

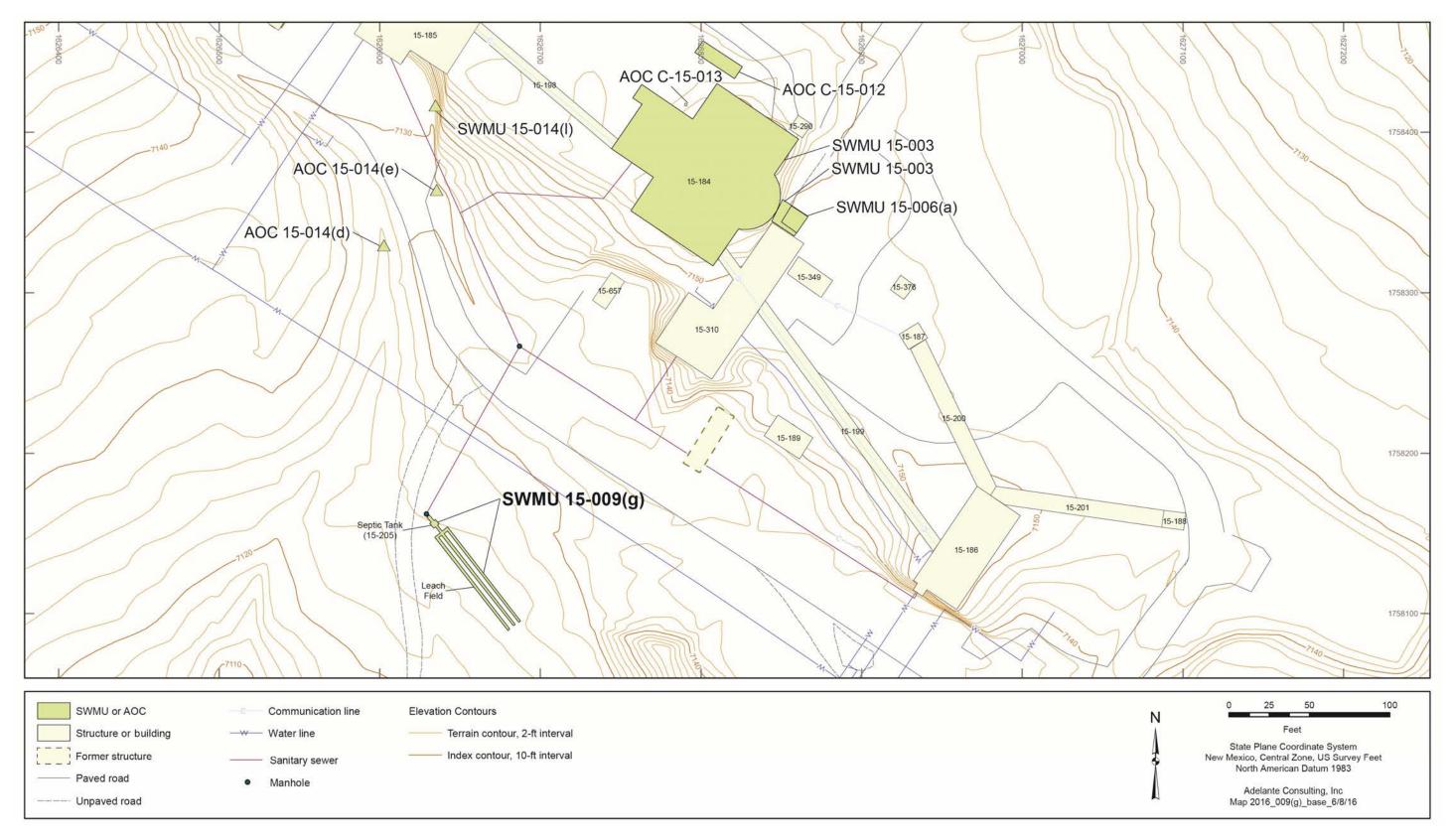


Figure 2.3-1 Site features for SWMU 15-009(g)

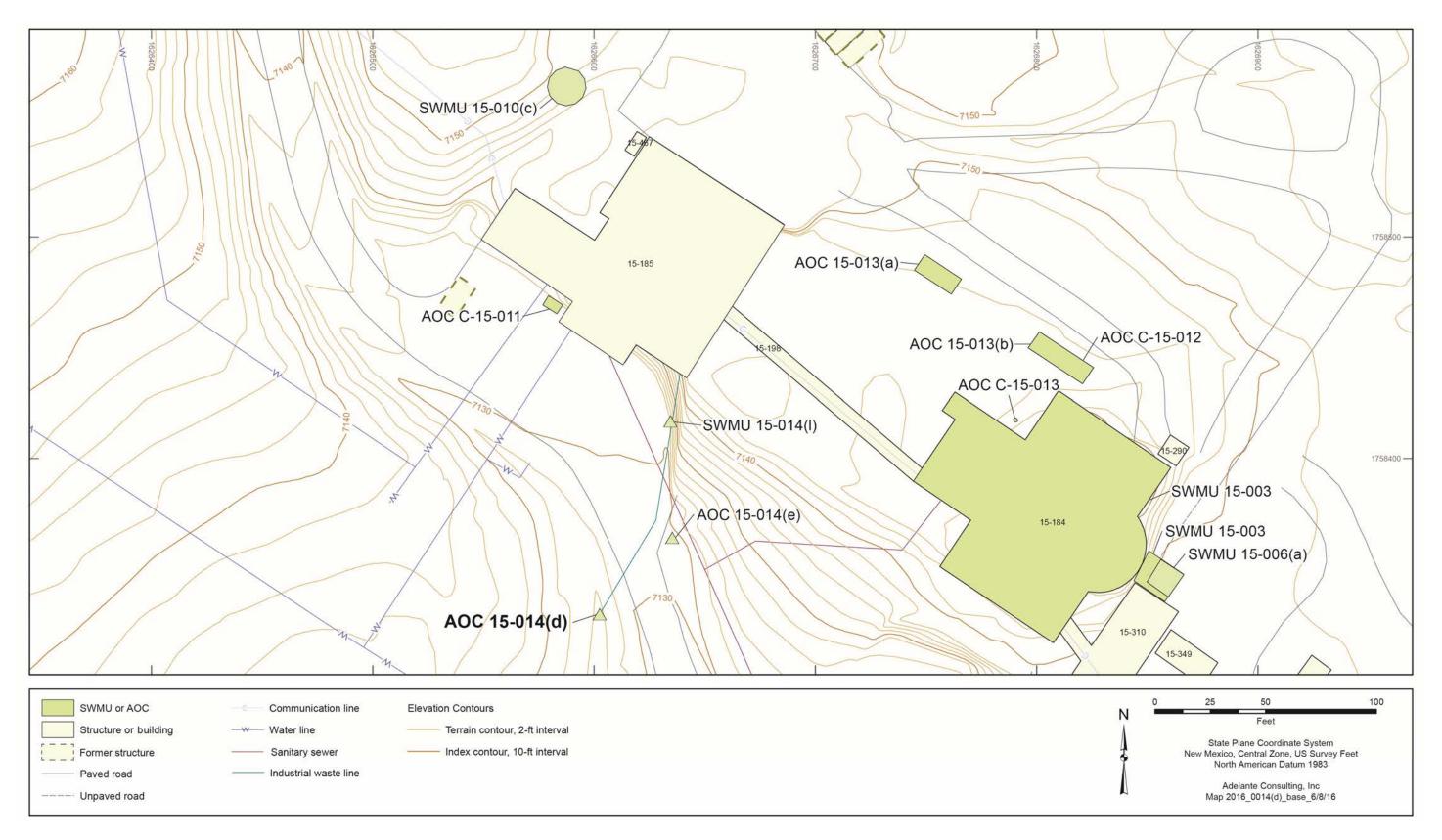
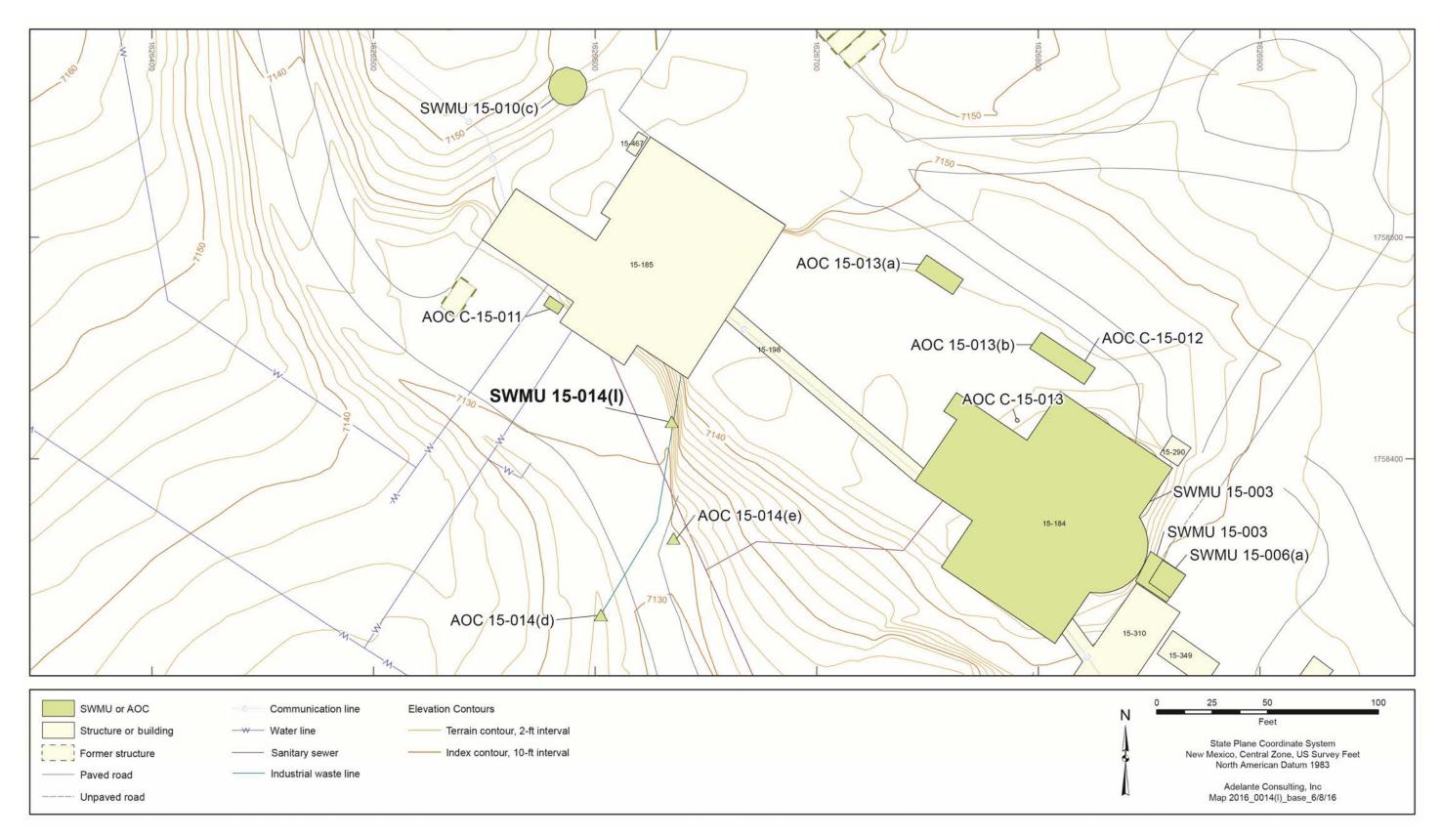


Figure 2.4-1 Site features for AOC 15-014(d)





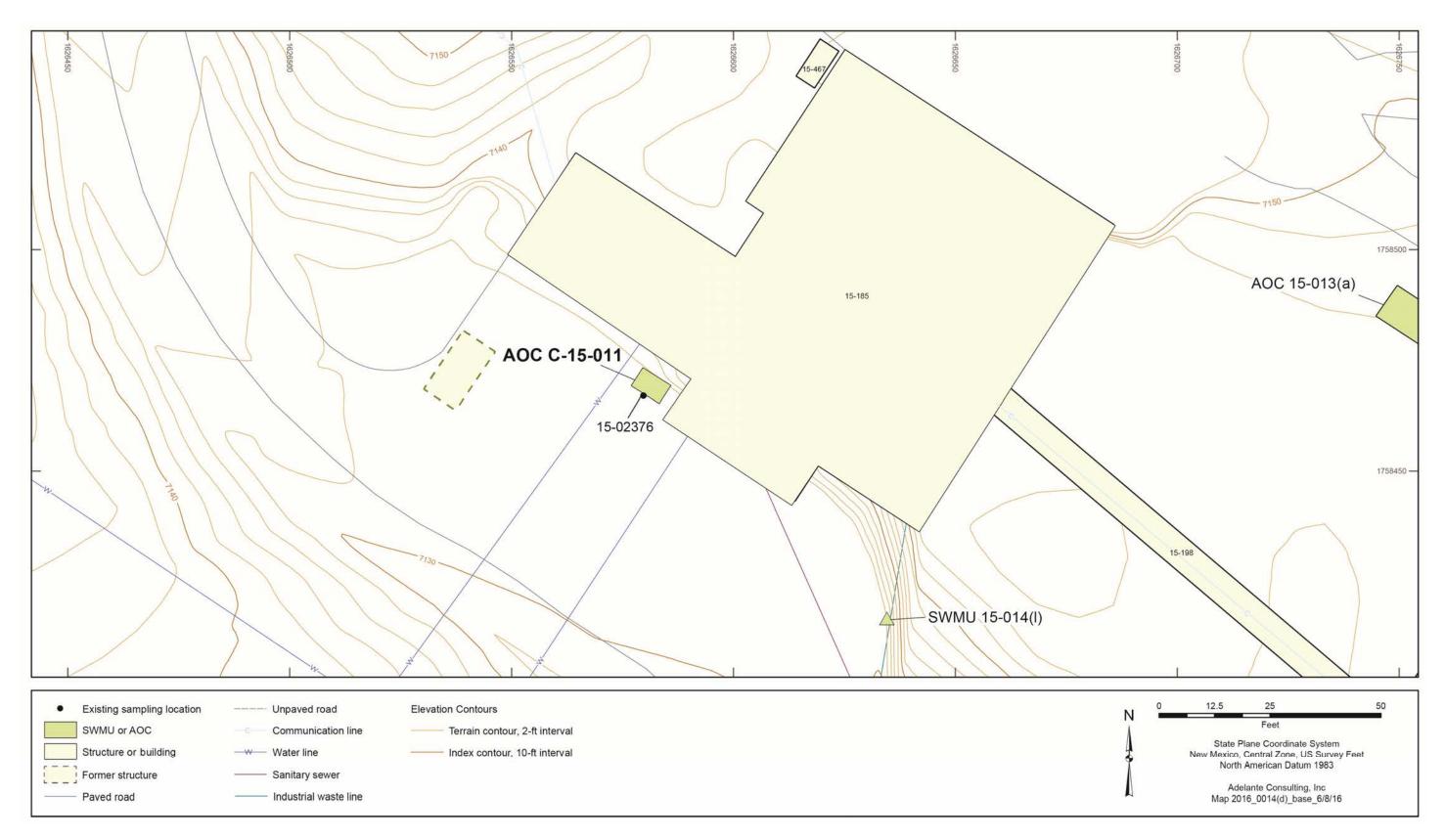


Figure 2.6-1 Site features and historical sampling locations for AOC C-15-011

Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area HIR

| Site ID        | Site ID Brief Description Site                     |                             | Reference             |
|----------------|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| TA-15          | ·  | ·                           |                       |
| AOC 15-001     | Storage Area                                       | Under investigation         | Work plan section 4.1 |
| AOC 15-004(h)  | Firing Site H                                      | Under investigation         | Work plan section 4.2 |
| SWMU 15-009(g) | Septic System                                      | Under investigation         | Work plan section 4.3 |
| AOC 15-010(c)  | Drainline  | NFA approved, 03/23/2007    | NMED 2007, 095495     |
| AOC 15-013(a)  | 5-013(a) Underground Tank NFA approved, 01/21/2005 |                             | EPA 2005, 088464      |
| AOC 15-014(d)  | Drainline and Outfall                              | Under investigation         | Work plan section 4.4 |
| AOC 15-014(e)  | Outfall  | NFA approved,<br>01/21/2005 | EPA 2005, 088464      |
| SWMU 15-014(I) | Drainline and Outfall<br>from Building 15-185      | Under investigation         | Work plan section 4.5 |
| AOC C-15-011   | Former Underground<br>Tank                         | Under investigation         | Work plan section 4.6 |
| TA-49          | ·  | ·                           |                       |
| SWMU 49-004    | Burn Site and Landfill (Area 6)                    | Under investigation         | LANL 2010, 110654     |
| AOC 49-007(a)  | Septic System (Area 6)                             | NFA approved,<br>01/21/2005 | EPA 2005, 088464      |

 Table 1.1-1

 Status of SWMUs and AOCs in Lower Water/Indio Canyons Aggregate Area

| Table 2.1-1  |
|--|
| Samples Collected and Analyses Requested at AOC 15-001 |

| Sample ID    | Location ID | Depth (ft) | Media | Uranium |
|--------------|-------------|------------|-------|---------|
| 0215-95-0247 | 15-02340    | 0–0.25     | Soil  | 69304*  |
| 0215-95-0248 | 15-02341    | 0–0.5      | Soil  | 69304   |
| 0215-95-0249 | 15-02342    | 0–0.33     | Soil  | 69304   |

\* Analytical request number

| Sample ID                    | Location ID | Depth (ft) | Media | Uranium |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------|---------|
| Soil BV <sup>a</sup>         | 1.82        |            |       |         |
| Construction Worker SS       | 277         |            |       |         |
| Industrial SSL <sup>b</sup>  | 3880        |            |       |         |
| Residential SSL <sup>b</sup> | 234         |            |       |         |
| 0215-95-0247                 | 15-02340    | 0–0.25     | Soil  | 4.88    |
| 0215-95-0248                 | 6.37        |            |       |         |
| 0215-95-0249                 | 0–0.33      | Soil       | 3.26  |         |

Table 2.1-2Inorganic Chemicals above BVs at AOC 15-001

Notes: Units are mg/kg.

<sup>a</sup> BVs from LANL (1998, 059730).

<sup>b</sup> Soil screening levels from NMED (2015, 600915).

| Sample ID    | Location ID | Depth (ft)   | Media | Uranium |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------|---------|
| 0215-95-0277 | 15-02350    | 0–0.5 ft     | Soil  | 68394*  |
| 0215-95-0278 | 15-02350    | 1.5–2 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0279 | 15-02351    | 0–0.5 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0280 | 15-02351    | 1.5–2 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0281 | 15-02356    | 0–0.17 ft    | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0282 | 15-02357    | 0–0.5 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0283 | 15-02357    | 1.5–2 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0284 | 15-02358    | 0–0.5 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0285 | 15-02358    | 1.5–2 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0286 | 15-02360    | 0–0.42 ft    | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0287 | 15-02360    | 1.5–2 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0288 | 15-02361    | 0–0.5 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0289 | 15-02362    | 0–0.5 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0290 | 15-02362    | 1.5–2 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0299 | 15-02368    | 0–0.33 ft    | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0302 | 15-02371    | 0–0.5 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0304 | 15-02373    | 0–0.5 ft     | Soil  | 68394   |
| 0215-95-0305 | 15-02373    | 1.08–1.58 ft | Soil  | 68394   |

 Table 2.2-1

 Samples Collected and Analyses Requested at AOC 15-004(h)

\* Analytical request number

| Sample ID                    | Location ID | Depth (ft) | Media | Uranium |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------|---------|
| Soil BV <sup>a</sup>         |             |            |       | 1.82    |
| <b>Construction Worker</b>   | 277         |            |       |         |
| Industrial SSL <sup>b</sup>  |             |            |       | 3880    |
| Residential SSL <sup>b</sup> |             |            |       | 234     |
| 0215-95-0277                 | 15-02350    | 0–0.5      | Soil  | 33      |
| 0215-95-0278                 | 15-02350    | 1.5–2      | Soil  | 2.8     |
| 0215-95-0279                 | 15-02351    | 0–0.5      | Soil  | 5.07    |
| 0215-95-0280                 | 15-02351    | 1.5–2      | Soil  | 3.86    |
| 0215-95-0281                 | 15-02356    | 0–0.17     | Soil  | 29.9    |
| 0215-95-0282                 | 15-02357    | 0–0.5      | Soil  | 24.7    |
| 0215-95-0283                 | 15-02357    | 1.5–2      | Soil  | 4.57    |
| 0215-95-0284                 | 15-02358    | 0–0.5      | Soil  | 33      |
| 0215-95-0285                 | 15-02358    | 1.5–2      | Soil  | 3.24    |
| 0215-95-0286                 | 15-02360    | 0–0.42     | Soil  | 4.12    |
| 0215-95-0287                 | 15-02360    | 1.5–2      | Soil  | 3.89    |
| 0215-95-0288                 | 15-02361    | 0–0.5      | Soil  | 22.9    |
| 0215-95-0289                 | 15-02362    | 0–0.5      | Soil  | 510     |
| 0215-95-0290                 | 15-02362    | 1.5–2      | Soil  | 113     |
| 0215-95-0299                 | 15-02368    | 0–0.33     | Soil  | 35.3    |
| 0215-95-0302                 | 15-02371    | 0–0.5      | Soil  | 11.7    |
| 0215-95-0304                 | 15-02373    | 0–0.5      | Soil  | 75.9    |
| 0215-95-0305                 | 15-02373    | 1.08–1.58  | Soil  | 6.79    |

Table 2.2-2Inorganic Chemicals above BVs at AOC 15-004(h)

Notes: Units are mg/kg.

<sup>a</sup> BVs from LANL (1998, 059730).

<sup>b</sup> Soil screening levels from NMED (2015, 600915).

| Table 2.6-1  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Samples Collected and Analyses Requested at AOC C-15-011 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

| Sample ID    | Location ID | Depth (ft) | Media | VOC    | SVOC  |
|--------------|-------------|------------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0215-95-0245 | 15-02376    | 6–6.5 ft   | Soil  | 68411* | 68345 |
| 0215-95-0246 | 15-02376    | 10–10.5 ft | Soil  | 68411  | 68345 |

\* Analytical request number.

# Appendix A

Acronyms and Abbreviations, Metric Conversion Table, and Data Qualifier Definitions

### A-1.0 ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

| AOC           | area of concern   |
|---------------|---|
| bgs           | below ground surface  |
| BV            | background value  |
| Consent Order | Compliance Order on Consent                                   |
| DARHT         | Dual-Axis Radiographic Hydrodynamic Test                      |
| DOE           | Department of Energy (U.S.)                                   |
| DU            | depleted uranium  |
| ESH           | Environment, Safety, and Health                               |
| HE            | high explosives   |
| HIR           | historical investigation report                               |
| LANL          | Los Alamos National Laboratory                                |
| NFA           | no further action   |
| NMED          | New Mexico Environment Department                             |
| OU            | operable unit   |
| PHERMEX       | Pulsed High-Energy Radiographic Machine Emitting X-rays       |
| RFI           | Resource Conservation and Recovery Act facility investigation |
| SSL           | soil screening level  |
| SVOC          | semivolatile organic compound                                 |
| SWMU          | solid waste management unit                                   |
| ТА            | technical area  |
| VOC           | volatile organic compound                                     |

| Multiply SI (Metric) Unit            | by        | To Obtain U.S. Customary Unit               |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|---|
| kilometers (km)                      | 0.622     | miles (mi)                                  |
| kilometers (km)                      | 3281      | feet (ft)                                   |
| meters (m)                           | 3.281     | feet (ft)                                   |
| meters (m)                           | 39.37     | inches (in.)                                |
| centimeters (cm)                     | 0.03281   | feet (ft)                                   |
| centimeters (cm)                     | 0.394     | inches (in.)                                |
| millimeters (mm)                     | 0.0394    | inches (in.)                                |
| micrometers or microns (µm)          | 0.0000394 | inches (in.)                                |
| square kilometers (km <sup>2</sup> ) | 0.3861    | square miles (mi <sup>2</sup> )             |
| hectares (ha)                        | 2.5       | acres                                       |
| square meters (m <sup>2</sup> )      | 10.764    | square feet (ft <sup>2</sup> )              |
| cubic meters (m <sup>3</sup> )       | 35.31     | cubic feet (ft <sup>3</sup> )               |
| kilograms (kg)                       | 2.2046    | pounds (lb)                                 |
| grams (g)                            | 0.0353    | ounces (oz)                                 |
| grams per cubic centimeter (g/cm3)   | 62.422    | pounds per cubic foot (lb/ft <sup>3</sup> ) |
| milligrams per kilogram (mg/kg)      | 1         | parts per million (ppm)                     |
| micrograms per gram (μg/g)           | 1         | parts per million (ppm)                     |
| liters (L)                           | 0.26      | gallons (gal.)                              |
| milligrams per liter (mg/L)          | 1         | parts per million (ppm)                     |
| degrees Celsius (°C)                 | 9/5 + 32  | degrees Fahrenheit (°F)                     |

# A-2.0 METRIC CONVERSION TABLE

#### A-3.0 DATA QUALIFIER DEFINITIONS

| Data Qualifier | Definition   |
|----------------|--|
| U              | The analyte was analyzed for but not detected.   |
| J              | The analyte was positively identified, and the associated numerical value is estimated to be more uncertain than would normally be expected for that analysis. |
| J+             | The analyte was positively identified, and the result is likely to be biased high.   |
| J-             | The analyte was positively identified, and the result is likely to be biased low.  |
| UJ             | The analyte was not positively identified in the sample, and the associated value is an estimate of the sample-specific detection or quantitation limit.       |
| R              | The data are rejected as a result of major problems with quality assurance/quality control parameters.   |

# **Appendix B**

Analytical Suites and Results (on CD included with this document)

# Appendix C

Site Photographs



Figure C-1 Area of Concern (AOC) 15-001 storage area, looking northeast



Figure C-2 Drop inlet at Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 15-014(I) south of building 15-185, looking east



Figure C-3 Location of former underground tank AOC C-15-011, south of building 15-185, looking north