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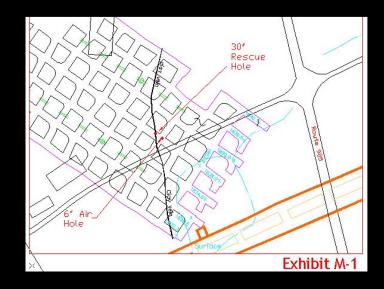
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Mine Safety

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And To Avoid Mine Related Land-Use Problems









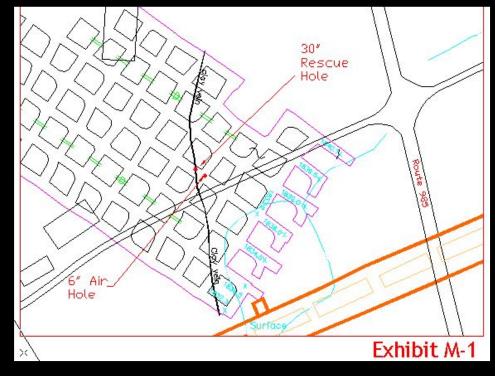






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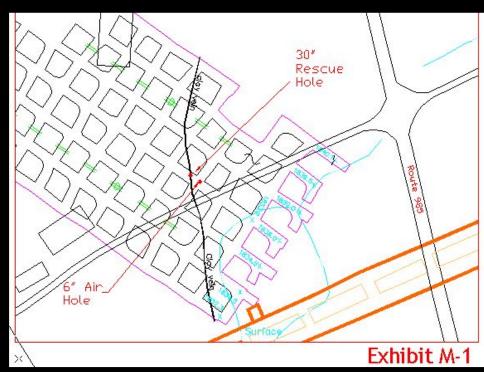








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- Storing mine maps in a known and accessible location.





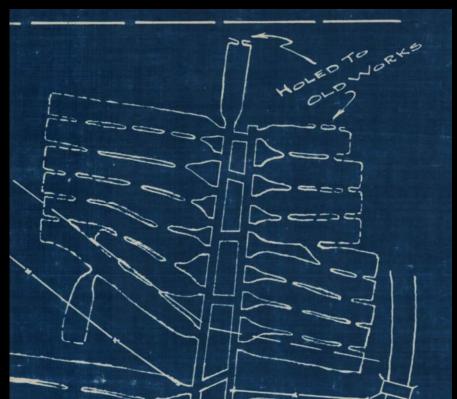


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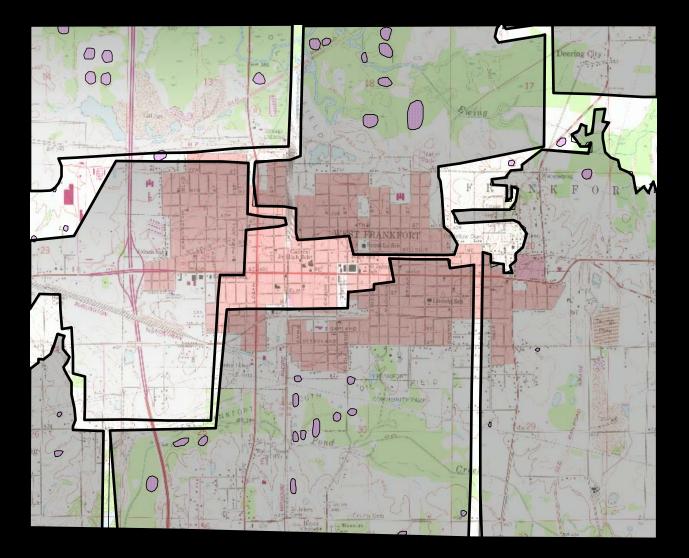


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Generalized Maps and Their Use

Mined Areas Superimposed On A Topographic Map

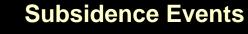






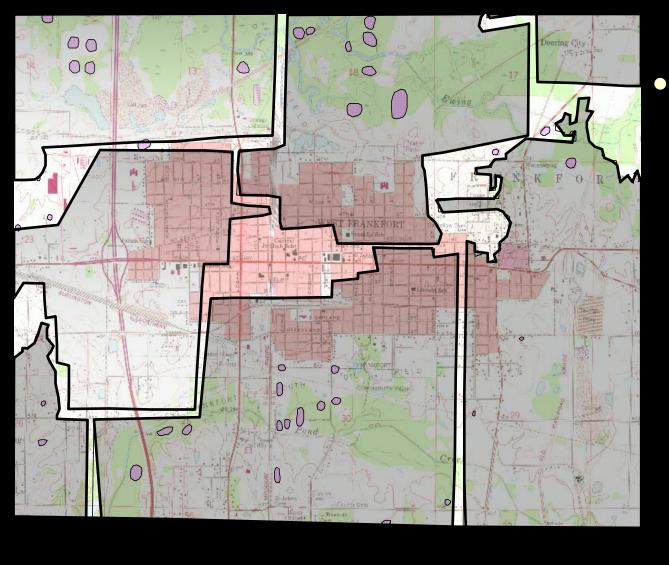


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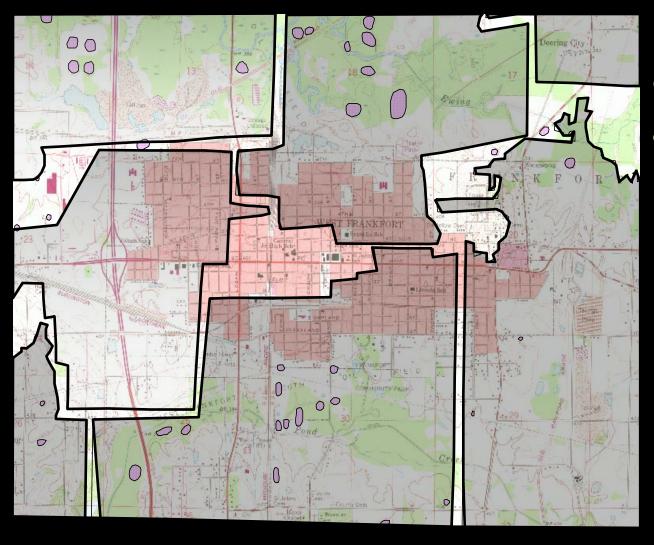
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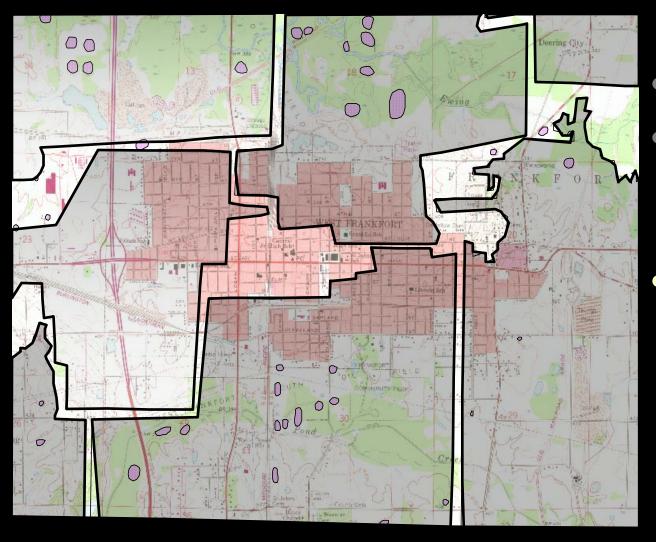
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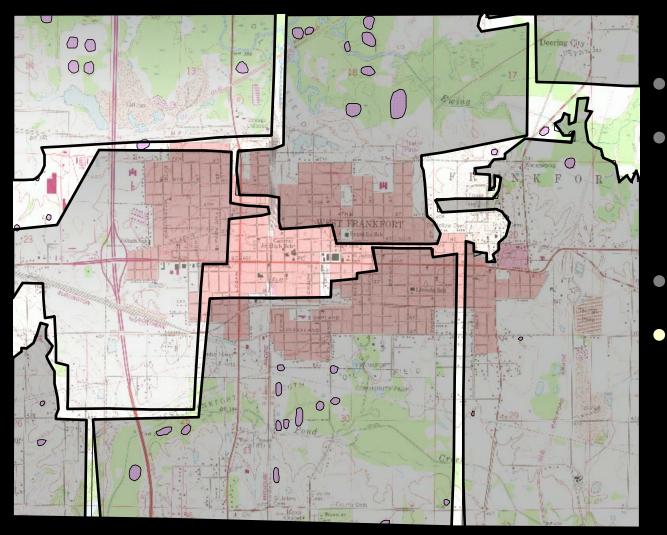
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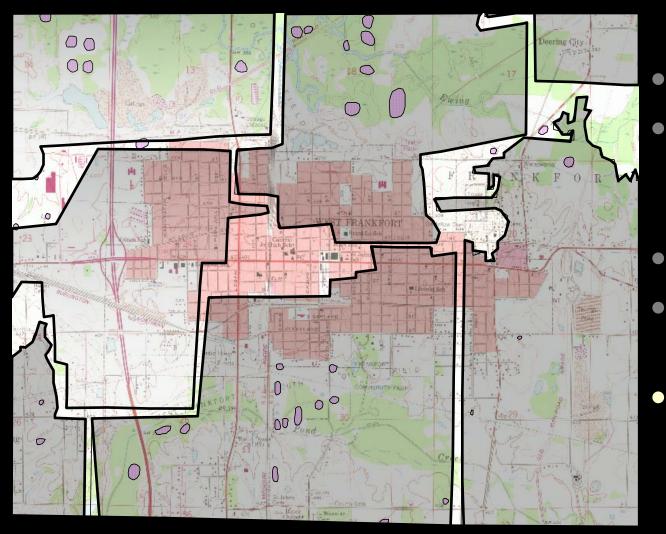
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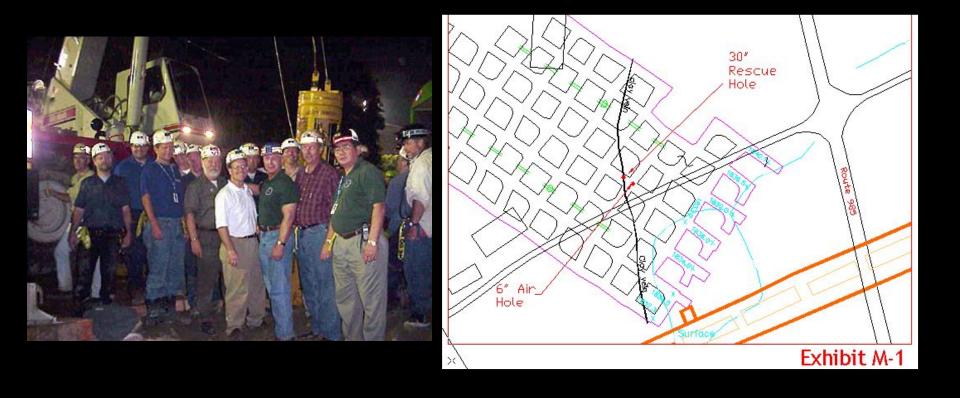


- Generalized Maps and Their Use
- Detailed Maps and Their Use.

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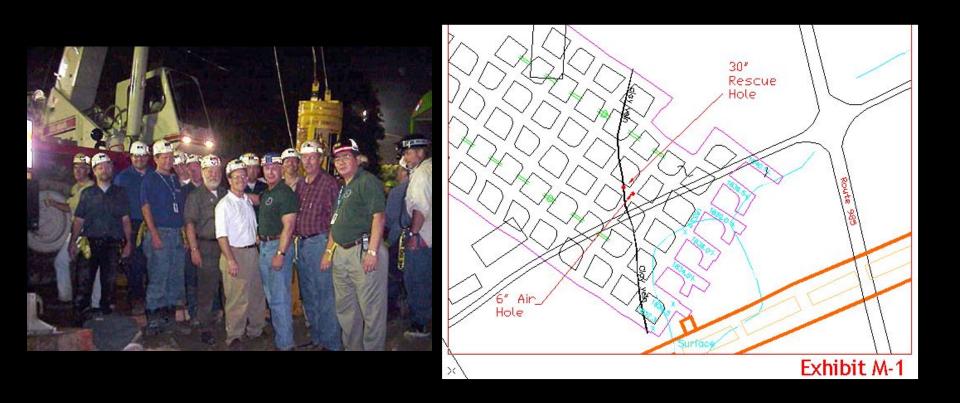
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- So that past mining can be avoided
- Or to safely use old mines for ventilation, haulage or emergency escapement purposes.



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• Historic and Mining Information

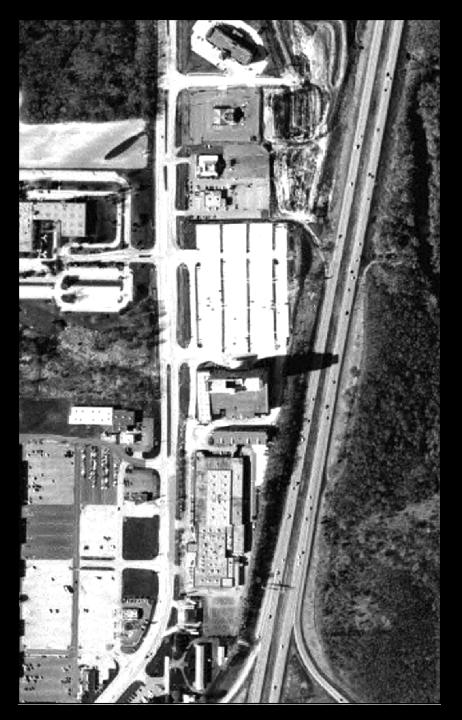
- Unusual mining practice and/or construction
- Shaft construction details and closure detail
- Mine fires
- Past subsidence
- Mine connectivity
- Noting and naming of adjacent mine workings.
- Oil well location
- Other known problems

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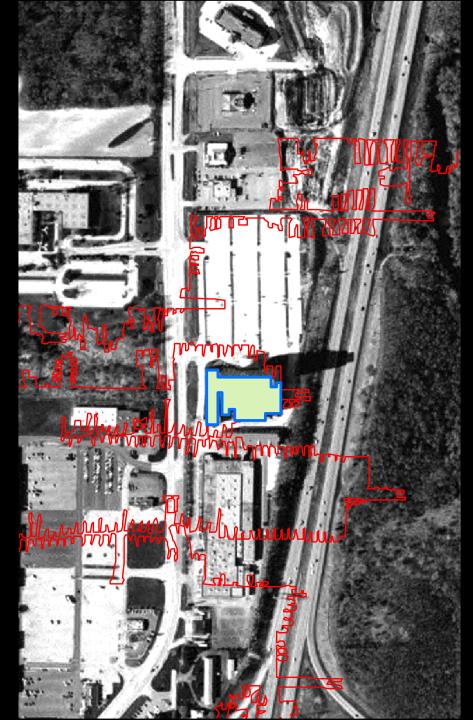


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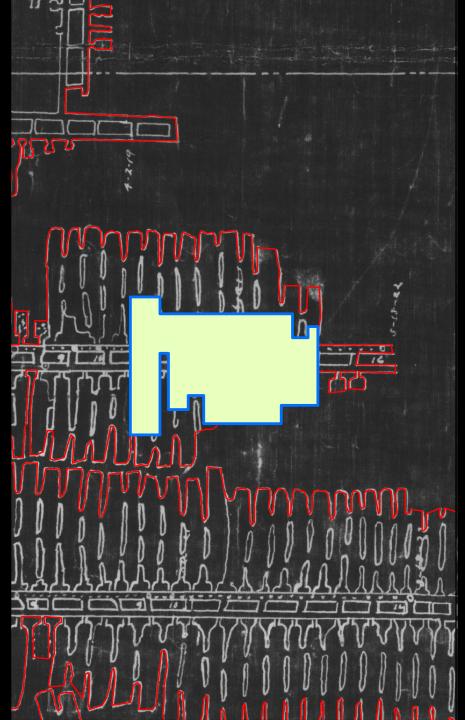
• Or particular building







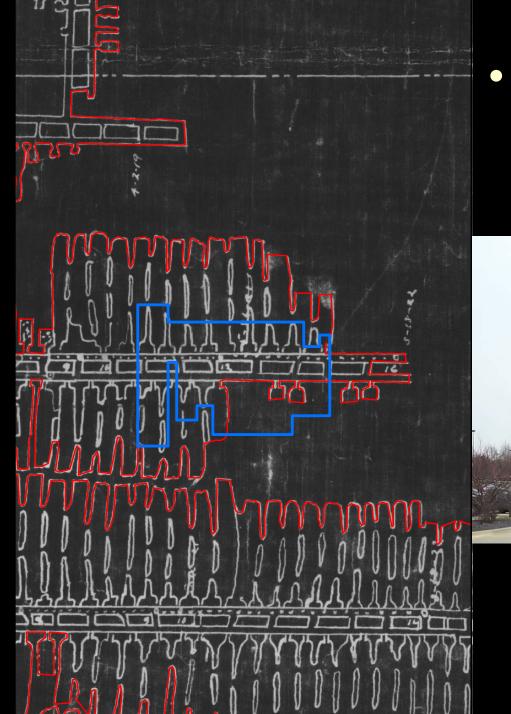
Undermined?



 IF undermined. Precisely locating surface features with respect to a detailed mine workings map



will help in identifying risks.



• What are the risks?



Site Information

- Evidence of previous subsidence at site ?
- Nearby subsidence ?
- Known attempts at mine stabilization?

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Information Desired

- Floor thickness & lithology.
- Coal seam thickness.
- Mine hydrology
- Mine gas

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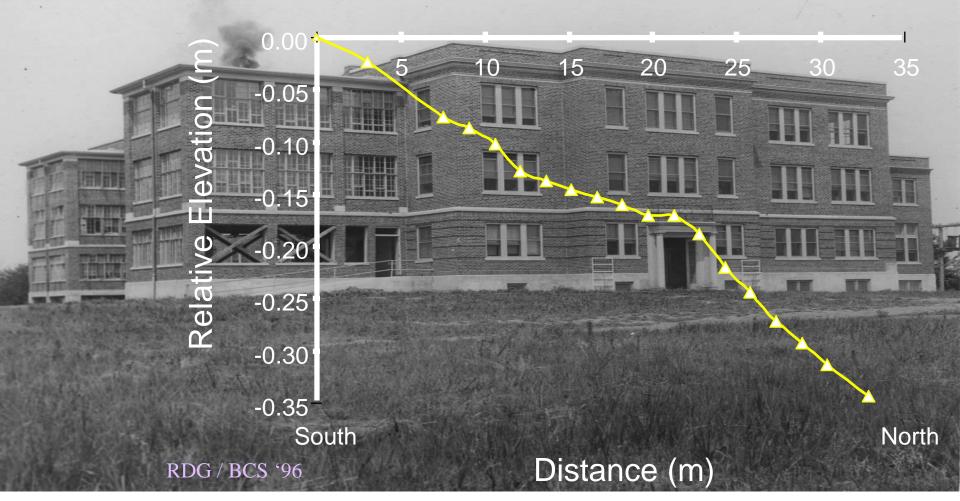
Land Being Considered for Commercial Re- Development

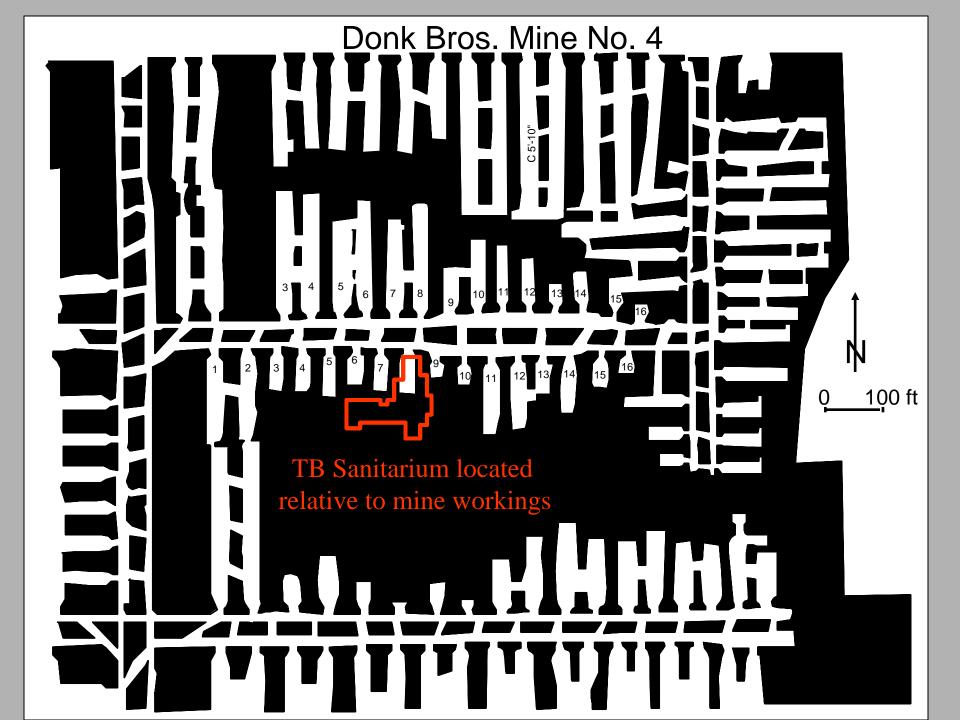
Historical Subsidence Event

Site Information

 Subsidence has occurred and history is known.

TB Sanitarium Subsided in 1926





80 Years Later – no evidence of continuing subsidence.



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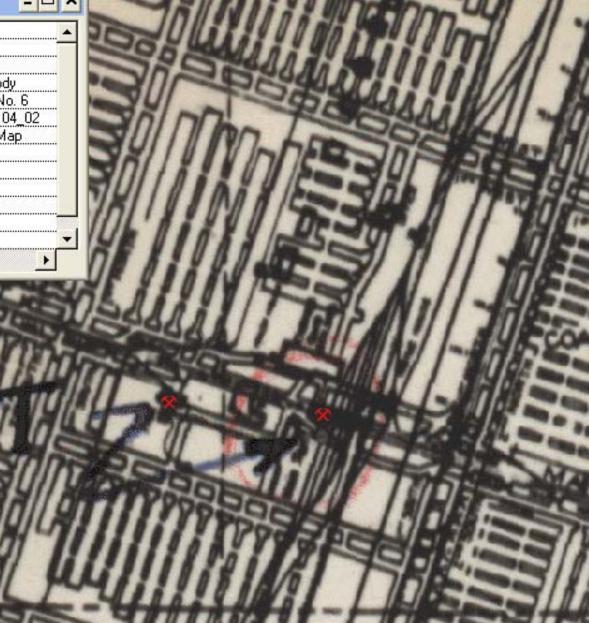
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Explosive Accumulation of Methane Gas Measured In Home.



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	Mine_co_	Peabody
	Mine_name	Mine No. 6
	SIUE_Index	Pb_1104_02
	Source	Mine Map
	Isgs_id	39
	Notes	•
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Landscaping Conceals Location of Mine Structures



'Other' Information Historical Documentation

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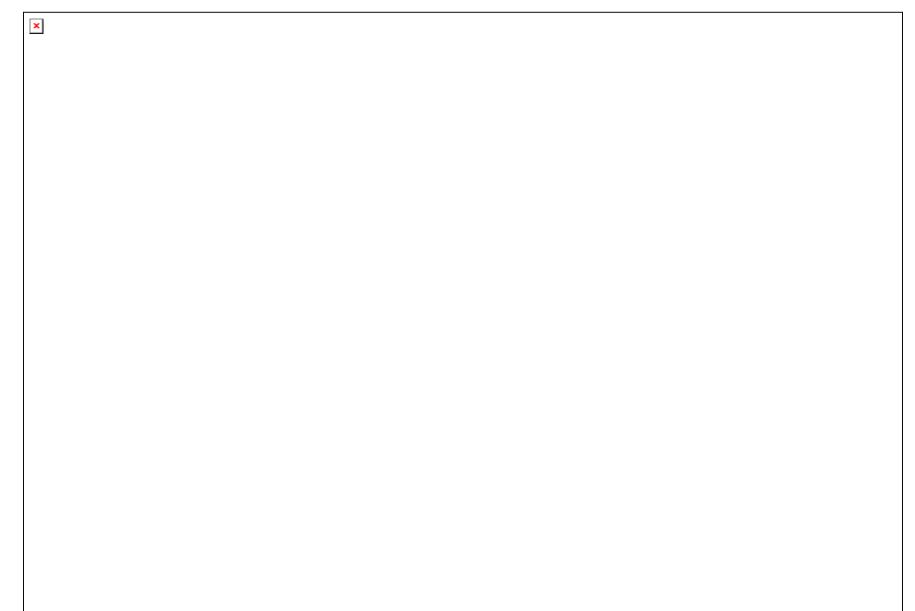
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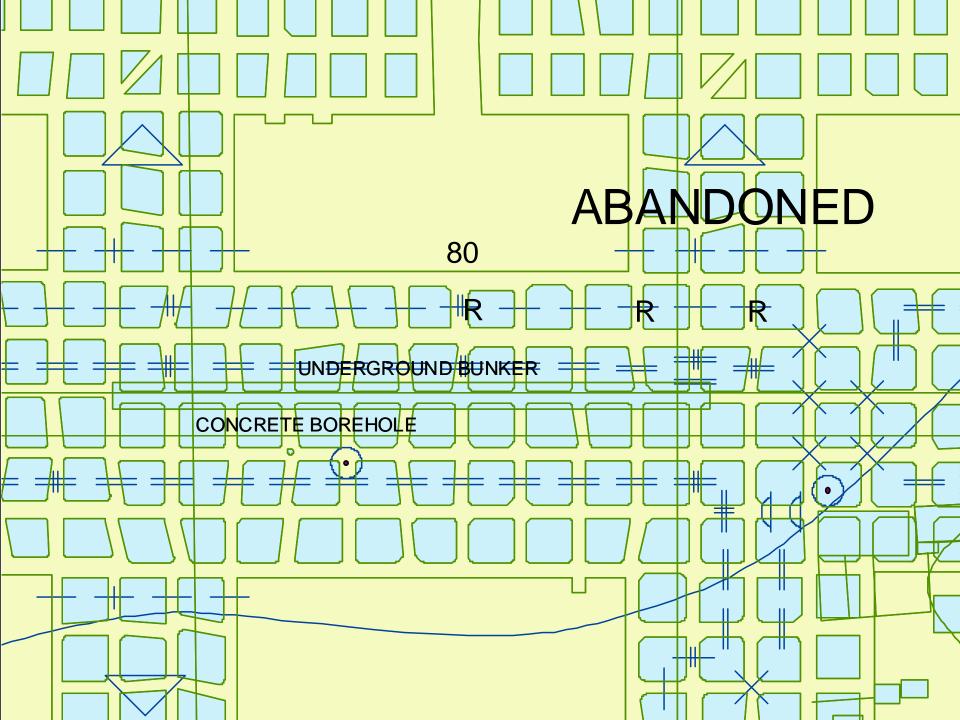
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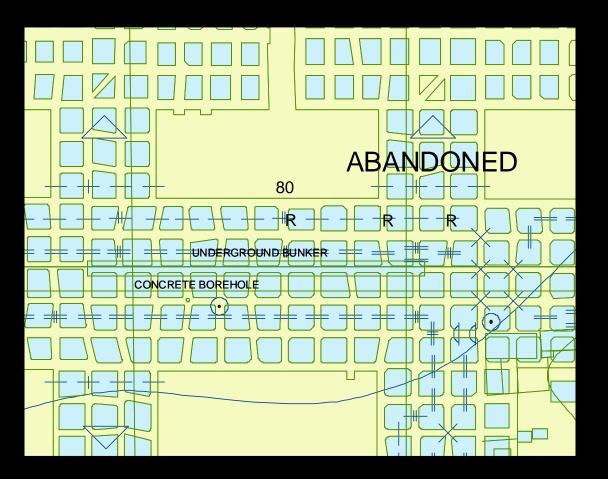
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Underground Bunker Details



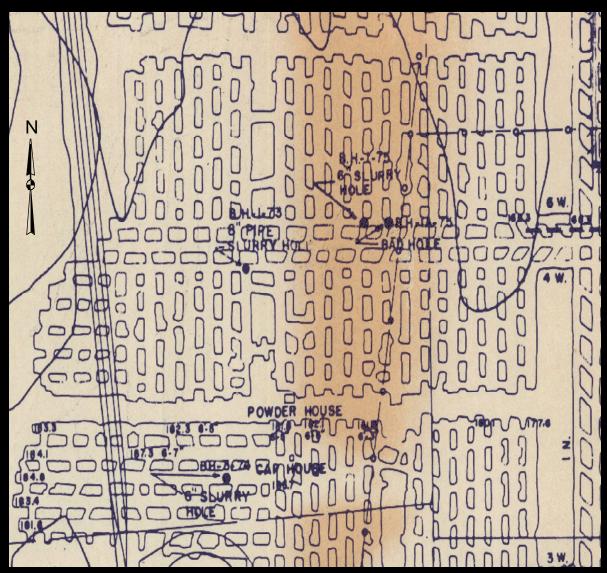




Questions

- Bunker height.
- Bunker construction details
- Was bunker filled?
- Filled material Used?
- Volume of void
- Volume of fill take

Slurry Injection



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- Intent of slurry
 - disposal ?
 - surface protection ?
- Cementitious ?
- Panel filled?

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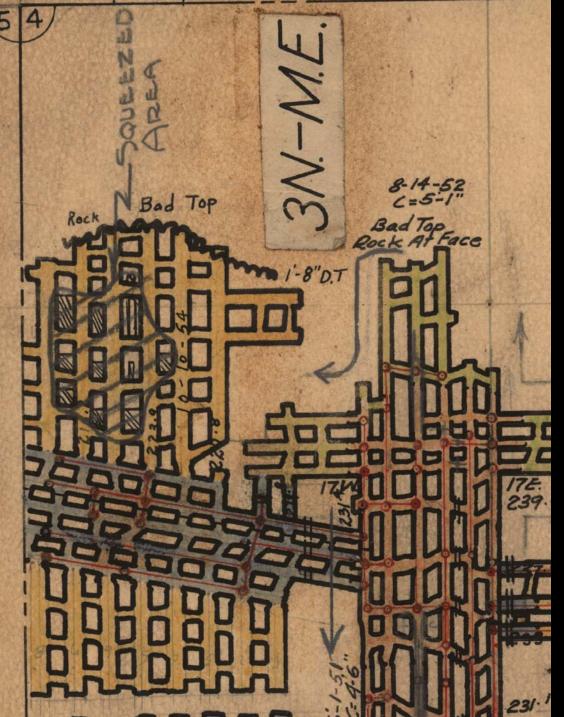
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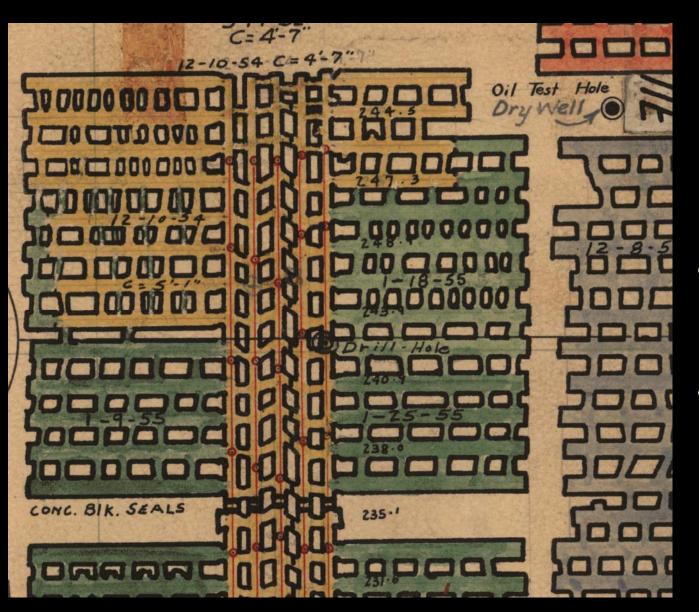
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- More information can be included on modern mine maps at little or no extra effort or costs. Presumably this information is commonly collected but not included on map submittal.



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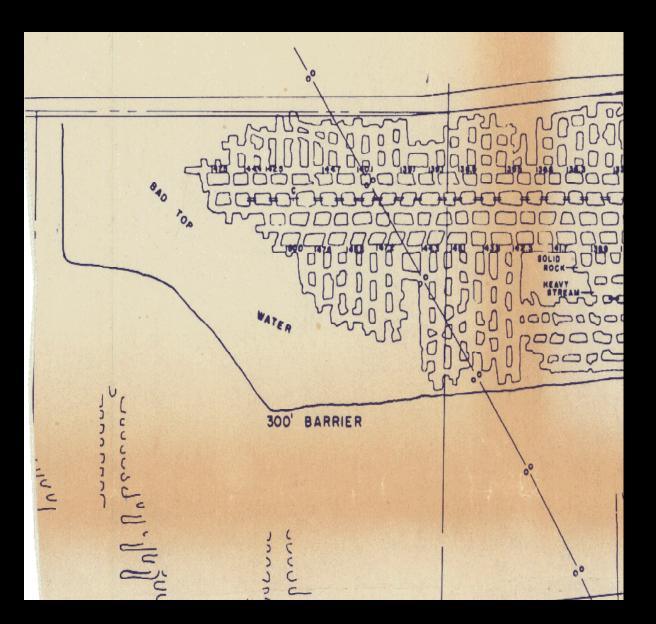
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- Floor characteristics

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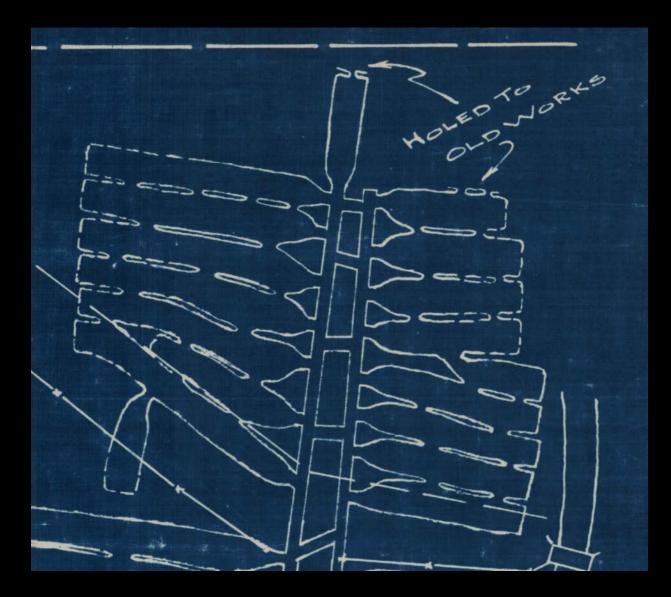
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- Oil well and drill hole plugged?
- Intent of seals gas/ water ?



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- Adjacent mine active? name ?
- Concerned about water in adjacent mine ?



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- Accidental?
- Was hole sealed?
- Adjacent mine name