

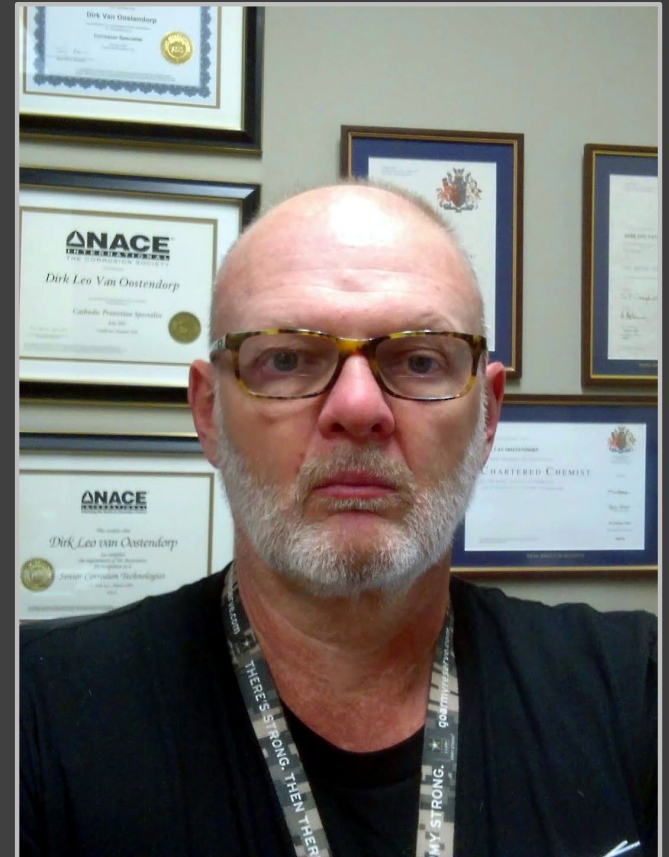


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“Direct Assessment for Unpiggable Pipelines”



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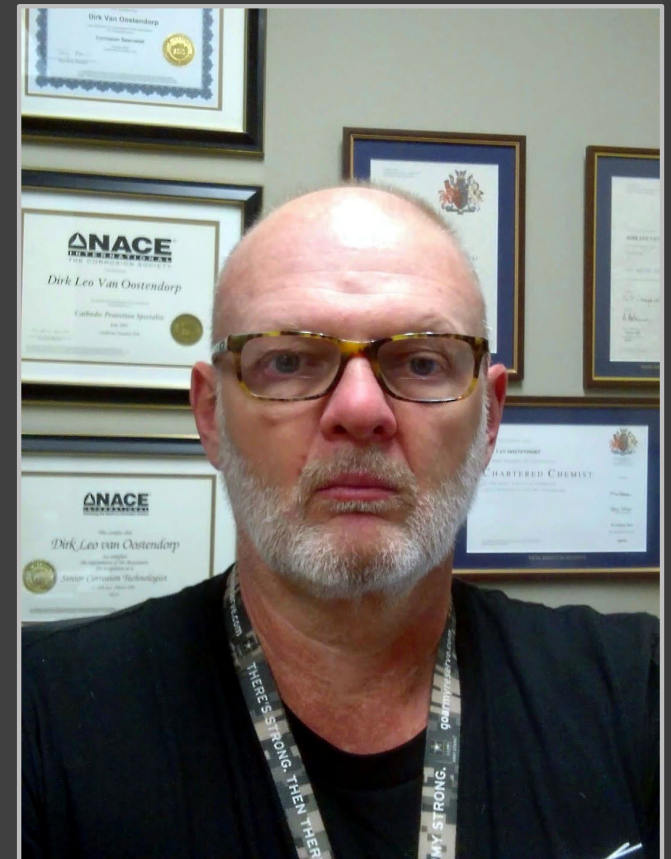
About the Presenter

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Dirk was a member of the original INGAA-Battelle team that developed what has now become the Direct Assessment methodology.



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About the Topic

Based on Federal laws signed in 2001, pipeline operators in the USA were required to develop a proactive Pipeline Integrity Management Plan (IMP) intended to manage risk and protect the public in areas near operational pipelines. Inline inspection (ILI) was the preferred methodology to inspect pipelines, and hydrostatic testing was the alternative. The majority of North American natural gas transmission pipelines were not constructed to permit inspection using intelligent tools (ultrasonic, magnetic flux leakage). This was due to the lack of launching and receiving facilities, but also throughput requirements, varying (telescopic) diameters, short-radius or wrinkle bends, reduced-port valves, or branch connections. In order to adequately ensure the structural integrity of these pipelines, some alternative form of condition determination and evaluation was required.

The Interstate Gas Association of America, together with the Gas Technology Institute, assembled an expert team to address this issue. The result was the development of an alternate inspection methodology, coined Direct Assessment, which made use of a combination of proven techniques. NACE International (now AMPP), as the industry representative, was called upon to develop standard procedures to govern the correct implementation of Direct Assessment and provide guidance for practitioners. Early in the development process, it was noted that the methodology needed to be segmented in order to address differing integrity threats, and External Corrosion Direct Assessment (ECDA), Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment (ICDA) and Stress-Corrosion Cracking Direct Assessment (SCCDA) resulted. NACE initially published RP0502 for ECDA in 2002, and other standard practices for the other methodologies followed. As living documents, these standard practices are subjected to peer review every 4-6 years. This presentation discusses the four (4) steps in the Direct Assessment methodology, highlight success factors, shares results from actual projects and assesses challenges that can be encountered during implementation.

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Agenda

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- Background
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- Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment (ICDA)
- Q&A



Corrosion



Corrosion is a natural process, which converts a refined metal to a more chemically-stable form, such as its oxide, hydroxide, or sulfide.

Pipeline Integrity

“Pipeline integrity is the ability of the pipeline system to operate safely and withstand the loads imposed during the pipeline lifecycle”

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Corrpro definition:

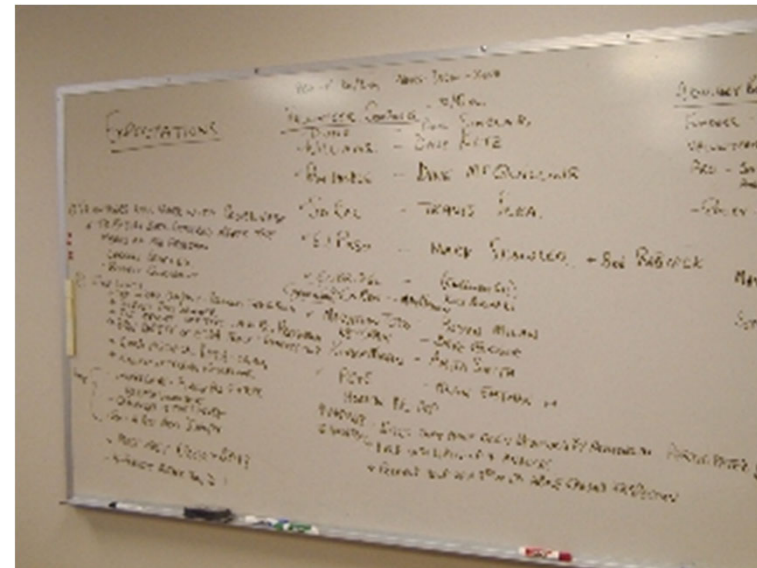
Total integrity of a system exists when, under the operating conditions it was designed for, and taking into account the current condition of the pipeline, the predictable risk of its failure (endangering the public, property and the environment) is acceptable.



Direct Assessment History

... where it all began:

- Battelle expert team
- Formed in 2000, operational through early 2002
- Sponsored by INGAA
- Led by Dr. Brian Leis
- Worked closely with US Department of Transportation
- Tasked to develop integrity assessment strategy as an alternative to ILI and hydrotesting



Pipeline Regulations in USA

PHMSA Rulemaking Update



U.S. Department of Transportation
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials
Safety Administration

- Regulations were initiated in 2001 for US pipeline operating companies to develop Integrity Management Programs (IMP's)
- NACE published RP 0502-2002 "Pipeline External Corrosion Direct Assessment Methodology" in 2002
- NACE and US regulations are now being adopted around the world



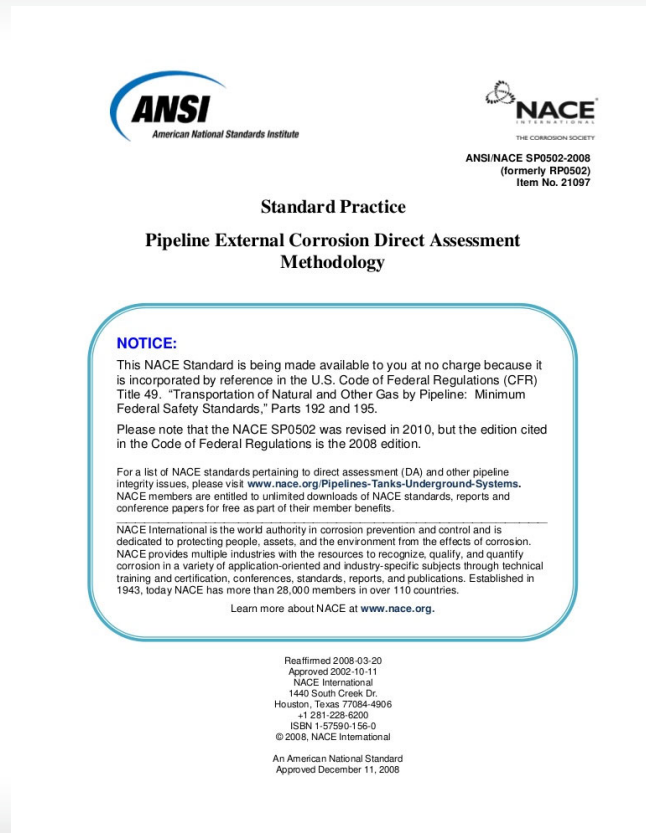
External Corrosion Direct Assessment (ECDA)

What is External Corrosion Direct Assessment (ECDA)?

- A structured process to improve safety and reduce the impact of external corrosion on buried pipelines
- Anticipates future pipeline defects, as well as detecting existing defects



NACE Standard Practice SP0502



- NACE Standard Practice SP0502 provides a methodology for applying the ECDA process to buried onshore piping systems
- ECDA is a four-step process:
 - Pre-assessment
 - Indirect Inspection
 - Direct examination
 - Post Assessment



ECDA Limitations



The ECDA process may not be applicable on pipelines:

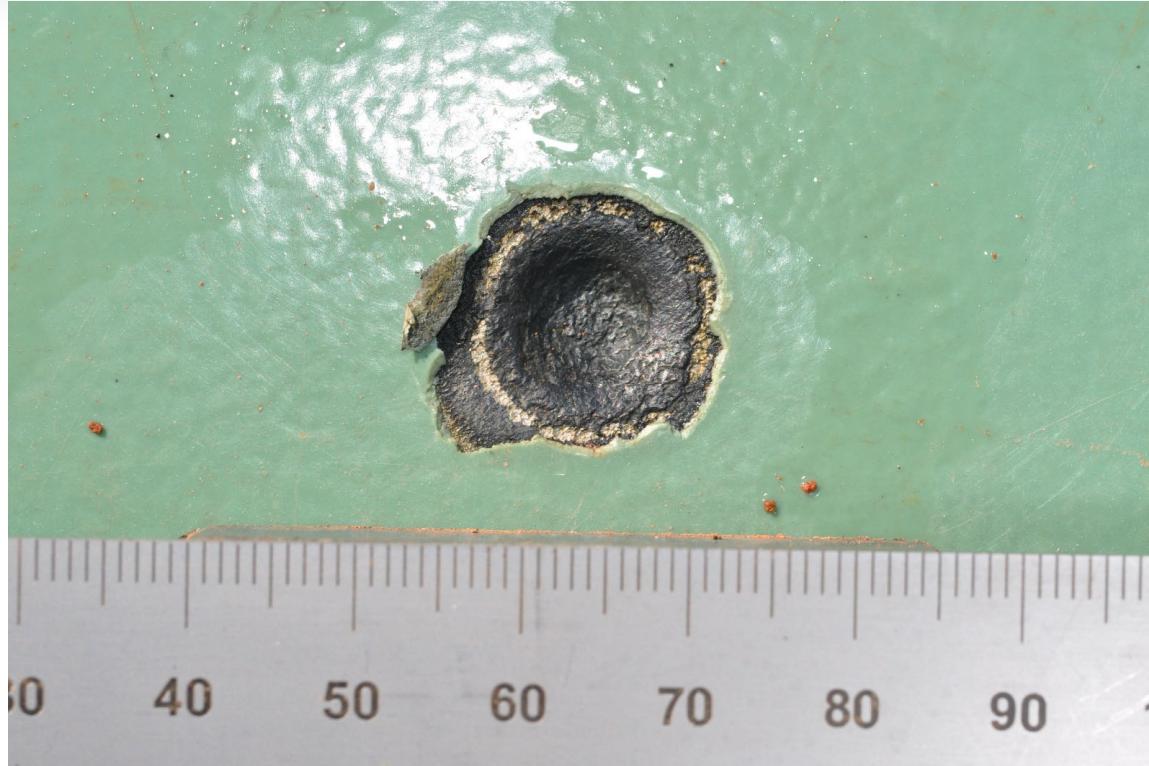
- With disbonded coating
- Ground surfaces such as pavement, frozen ground, and reinforced concrete
- Where measurements can not be done in a reasonable time frame
- Congested locations with adjacent buried metallic structures



ECDA Direct Examination



ECDA Direct Examination



Stress Corrosion Cracking Direct Assessment (SCCDA)

SCCDA Indirect Inspection Tools

- Pipe locate and depth-of-cover – AC Current Attenuation (PCM)
- Pipe elevation (sub-meter or sub-foot GPS) for slope magnitude (steep, gentle, flat) and locations on slopes (bottom or top)
- Environment – soil characteristics, drainage and soil resistivity
- Coating defects (DCVG) and cathodic protection deficiencies (CIS)
- In-line inspection information for stress risers (mechanical damage) and appurtenances (bends, river weights, attachments) – ILI may also provide much of above information (GPS, elevation and defects associated with SCC)



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Standard Practice

Stress Corrosion Cracking (SCC) Direct Assessment Methodology

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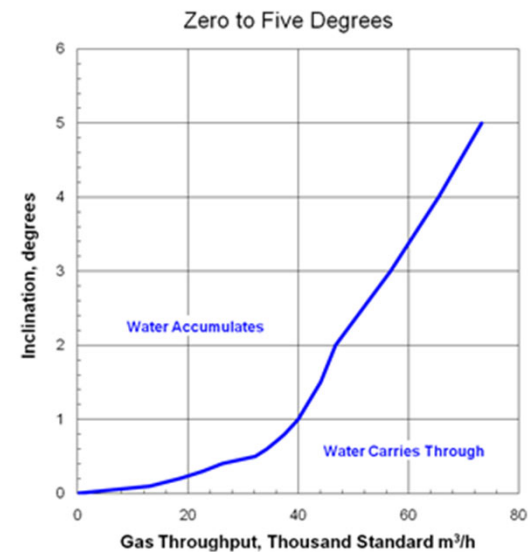
Stress Corrosion Cracking Direct Assessment (SCCDA)



Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment (ICDA)

What is Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment (ICDA)?

- A structured process to improve safety and reduce the impact of internal corrosion on buried pipelines
- Anticipates future pipeline defects, as well as detecting existing defects



Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment (ICDA)

ICDA Indirect Tools

- NACE SP0110-2010 (WG-ICDA)
Wet Gas Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment Methodology for Pipelines
- NACE SP0116-2016 (MP-ICDA)
Multiphase Flow Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment Methodology for Pipelines
- NACE SP0206-2016 (DG-ICDA)
Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment Methodology for Pipelines Carrying Normally Dry Natural Gas
- NACE SP0208-2006
Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment Methodology for Liquid Petroleum Pipelines



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Standard Practice

Multiphase Flow Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment (MP-ICDA) Methodology for Pipelines

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Internal Corrosion Direct Assessment (ICDA) (§192.927)

- Identify Areas Where Water or Other Electrolyte may Accumulate Inside Pipeline
- Focuses Direct Examination Where Internal Corrosion Most Likely
- Four Step Process
 - ◆ Pre-Assessment
 - ◆ ICDA Region Identification
 - ◆ Identify Excavation Locations and Perform Direct Examinations
 - ◆ Post Assessment
- In Addition, Rule Requires ICDA Plan to Include:
 - ◆ Criteria for Making Key Decisions for Each Step of Process
 - ◆ Provisions for More Restrictive Criteria for First Use
 - ◆ Provision for Analysis of Entire Pipeline, Except Remediation Limited to Covered Segments



ICDA Step 1 – Pre-Assessment

- Gather and Integrate Data and Information to:
 - ◆ Evaluate Feasibility of ICDA for Covered Segment
 - ◆ Support Use of Model to Determine Where Electrolyte may Accumulate
 - ◆ Identify ICDA Regions
 - ◆ Identify Areas Where Liquids may be Entrained

- Data and Information to Include:
 - ◆ All Data Elements of B31.8S Appendix A2 (physical and historical operating data)
 - ◆ Information for Model (gas input and withdrawal points, low points, elevation profile, etc.)
 - ◆ Operating Data Regarding Historic Upsets
 - ◆ Scraper or ILI Use



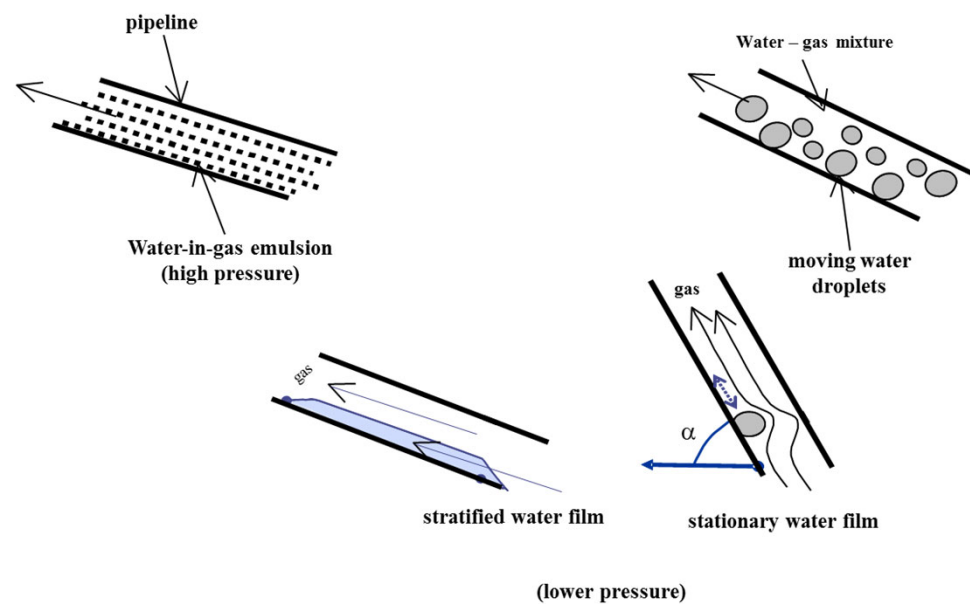
ICDA Step 2 – Region Identification

- Region Extends From Where Liquid May Enter and Encompasses Area Along Pipeline Where Internal Corrosion May Occur
- Region May Encompass More Than One Covered Segment
- Must Use GRI 02/0057 Model to Identify Regions (unless operator demonstrates another model equivalent)

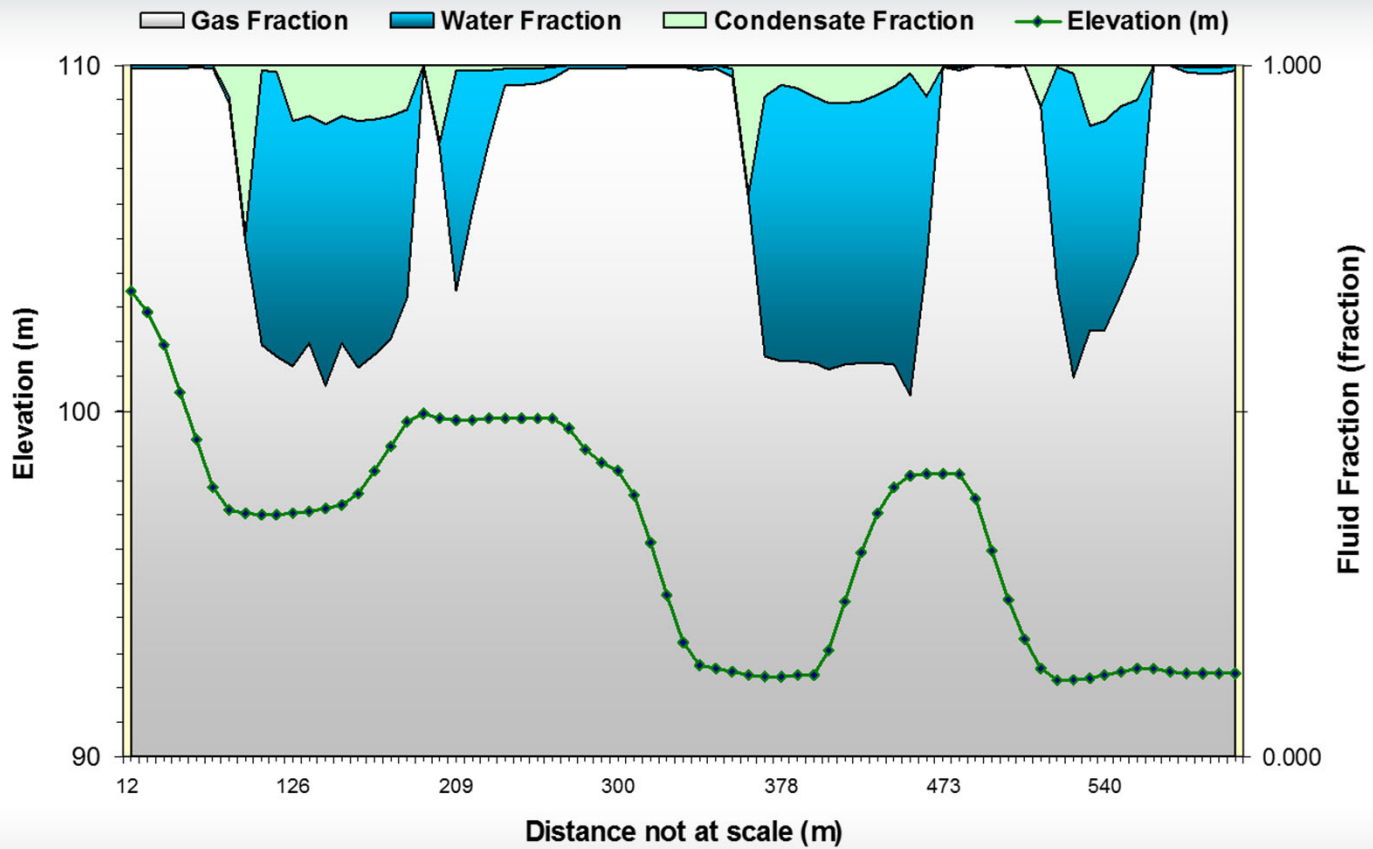


ICDA Step 3 – Flow Simulations

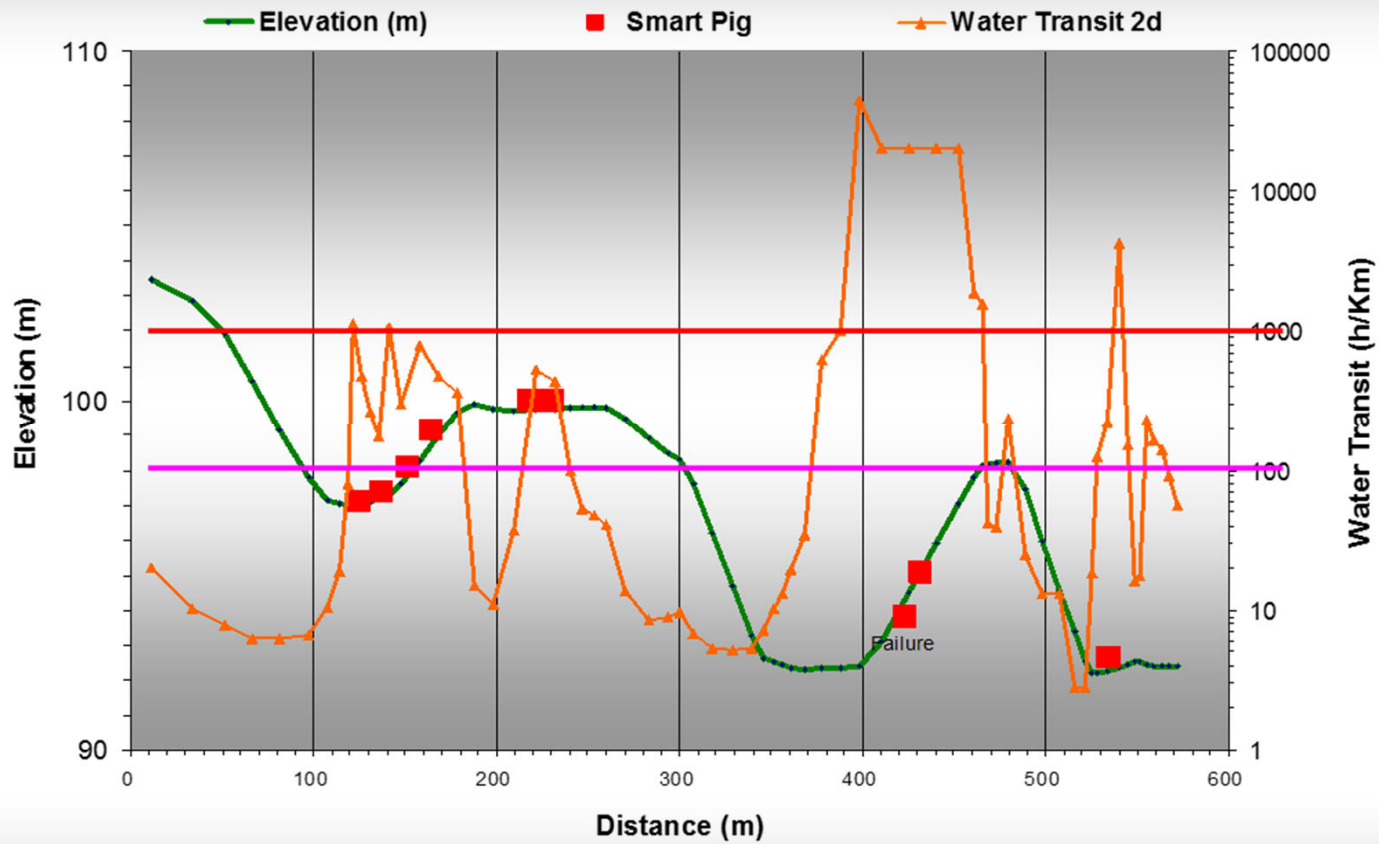
- Develop Digital Elevation Model
- Assess Inclination Angle and Identify Critical Elevation Changes
- Identify Areas with Water Hold-Up
- Evaluate Water Residence Times



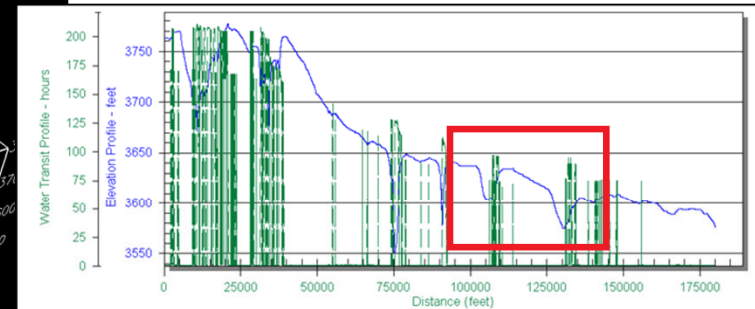
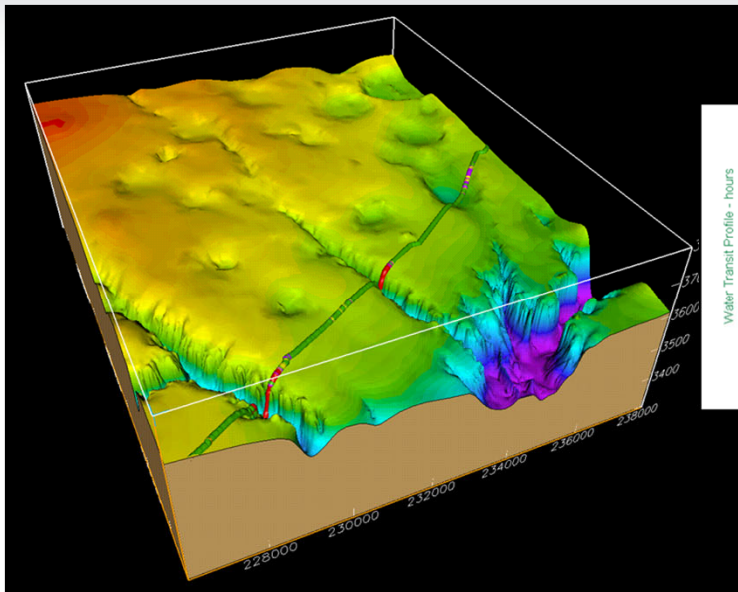
ICDA Step 3 – Dynamic Analysis



ICDA Step 3 – Identify Transit Profile



ICDA Step 3 – Identify Excavation Locations



- Identify Two Locations Within Each ICDA Region
 - One at Low Point Nearest Beginning
 - A Second Location Further Downstream Near the End of ICDA Region



ICDA Step 3 – Perform Direct Examinations

- Dig All Locations Identified and Perform Direct Examination (ultrasonic, radiography or other)
- If Corrosion is Found, Must:
 - Evaluate Severity and Remediate
 - Either Perform Additional Digs or Use Another Assessment Method in Region
 - Evaluate Potential for Internal Corrosion in Covered and Non-Covered Segments with Similar Characteristics and Remediate as Needed



ICDA Step 4 – Post-Assessment

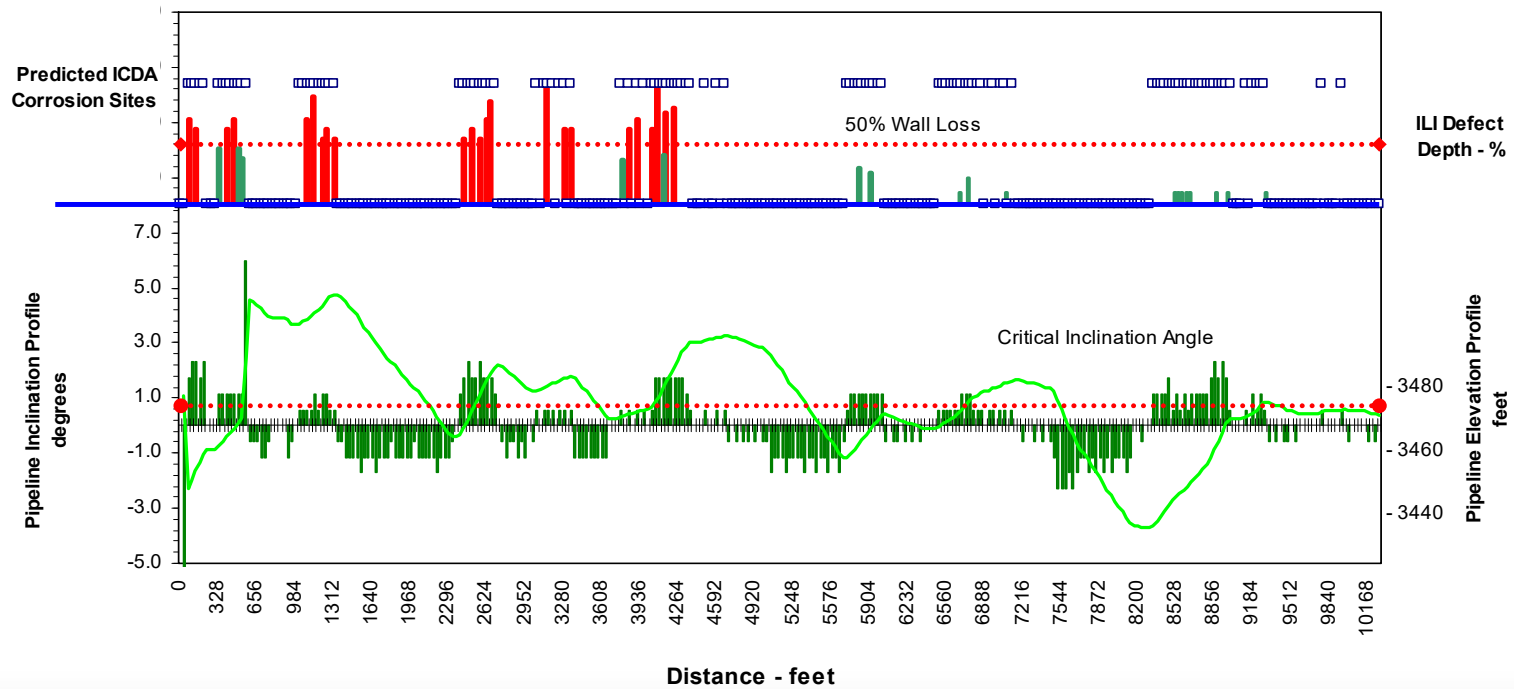
0-5 Low risk	Minor injury, insignificant property or equipment damage	Non-reportable injury, minor loss of process or slight property damage	Reportable injury, moderate loss of process, limited property damage	Major injury, single fatality, critical process loss, critical property damage	Multiple fatalities, catastrophic business loss
6-10 Moderate risk	1	2	3	4	5
11-15 High risk	5	10	15	20	25
16-25 Unacceptable	4	8	12	16	20
3	3	6	9	12	15
2	2	4	6	8	10
1	1	2	3	4	5



- Evaluate Effectiveness of ICDA Method
- Detailed Route Cause Analysis
- Update Pipeline Risk Assessment
- Adjust Inspection Strategy
- Continue to Monitor Each Segment Where Internal Corrosion Identified
 - UT Sensors or Electronic Probes
 - Analysis of Liquids
- Determine Reinspection Interval

ICDA Step 4 – Post-Assessment

Pipeline Jct. 20A
In-Line Inspection Results vs. Predicted Internal Corrosion Locations



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