

# **ALTERNATIVE LANDFILL COVER AND MONITORING SYSTEM FOR LANDFILLS IN ARID ENVIRONMENTS**

## **PROJECT CLOSEOUT REPORT**

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## **ACRONYMS and ABBREVIATIONS**

ASTD	Accelerated Site Technology Deployment
cm	centimeter
DOE/NV	U.S. Department of Energy, Nevada Operations Office
ET	Evapotranspiration
ft	foot (feet)
FY	fiscal year
m	meter(s)
m <sup>2</sup>	square meter(s)
NNSA/NV	National Nuclear Security Administration Nevada Site Office
NTS	Nevada Test Site
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RWMS	Radioactive Waste Management Site
TDR	Time-Domain Reflectrometry

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In December 2000, a performance monitoring facility was constructed adjacent to the mixed waste disposal unit U-3ax/bl at the Area 3 Radioactive Waste Management Site at the Nevada Test Site. This facility consists of eight drainage lysimeters measuring 10 feet in diameter, 8 feet deep, and backfilled with native soil. The lysimeters have three different surface treatments: two were left bare, two were revegetated with native species, and two were allowed to revegetate with invader species (two are reserved for future studies). The lysimeters are instrumented with an array of soil water content and soil water potential sensors and have sealed bottoms so that any drainage can be measured. All sensors are working properly and indicate that the bare lysimeters are the wettest, as expected. The vegetated lysimeters, both seeded and those allowed to revegetate with invader species, are significantly drier than the bare cover treatments. No drainage has occurred in any of the lysimeters. The Accelerated Site Technology Deployment program under the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Science and Technology provided the funding for this project with the objective of reducing the uncertainty associated with the performance of monolayer-evapotranspiration waste covers in arid regions such as the one deployed at U-3ax/bl.

## **Background**

Traditional Resource Recovery and Conservation Act (RCRA) landfill covers are typically layered, including layers of compacted clay and coarse gravel to isolate waste. This type of cover was originally to be deployed for the closure of the U-3ax/bl waste disposal unit located within the Area 3 Radioactive Waste Management Site (RWMS) of the Nevada Test Site (NTS) (Figure 1). Concerns regarding differential subsidence and subsequent shearing of the traditional RCRA-type cover prompted an internal 1997 study to investigate subsidence and closure covers. Findings from this study indicate that a monolayer-evapotranspiration (ET) cover consisting of native alluvium would be most effective in isolating waste under subsidence conditions. Modeling results and a multiple-year data record from a weighing lysimeter facility in nearby Area 5 provide evidence that the use of a partially vegetated monolayer cover will effectively isolate waste from infiltrating water via evapotranspiration back to the atmosphere, even during wetter-than-average years (Levitt *et al.*, 1996 ; Schmeltzer *et al.*, 1996). Additionally, other studies indicate that in the arid southwestern United States, monolayer-ET covers may be more effective at isolating waste than the layered covers because of the tendency of the clay layers to desiccate and crack, thereby creating preferential pathways for infiltrating water (O'Donnell, 1998; Dwyer, 1998). These studies led to the selection of a monolayer-ET cover deployment for the closure of disposal unit U-3ax/bl.

In fiscal year (FY) 1999, the Accelerated Site Technology Deployment (ASTD) program accepted the U.S. Department of Energy's Nevada Operations Office (DOE/NV) proposal to deploy a monolayer-ET closure cover and a performance monitoring system on U-3ax/bl disposal unit at the NTS, Area 3 RWMS. The monolayer-ET cover is an alternative to a layered cover typically specified by RCRA. The monitoring system consists of two parts: instrumentation in the closure cover and instrumentation in an adjacent lysimeter facility (see *Figure 1*), which allows some parameters to be varied for comparison with physical conditions in the cover. The deployment was jointly funded by the ASTD Program and the DOE/NV. The ASTD program funded construction of the lysimeter facility, whereas the DOE/NV funded construction of the alternative closure cover and its instrumentation.

This facility was constructed such that soil conditions are identical to the closure cover of U-3ax/bl. The lysimeters were constructed to collect and measure any drainage, and thereby provide an indirect measure of drainage through the closure cover. Additionally, the lysimeters were constructed with three surface treatments: two were left bare, two were revegetated with native species, and two were allowed to revegetate with invader species and (two were reserved for future studies) (see *Figure 2*). The lysimeter facility was funded for the purpose of collecting data to reduce the uncertainty associated with monolayer-ET waste cover performance in arid environments.

Each lysimeter is instrumented with an array of soil water content sensors (time-domain reflectrometry [TDR] probes) and soil water potential sensors (heat dissipation probes) as shown in *Figure 3* and *Attachment 1*. U-3ax/bl is instrumented with soil water content sensors only as shown in *Figure 4*. All sensors in both the closure cover and lysimeter facility are working properly, with no indication of damage to any sensor during construction.

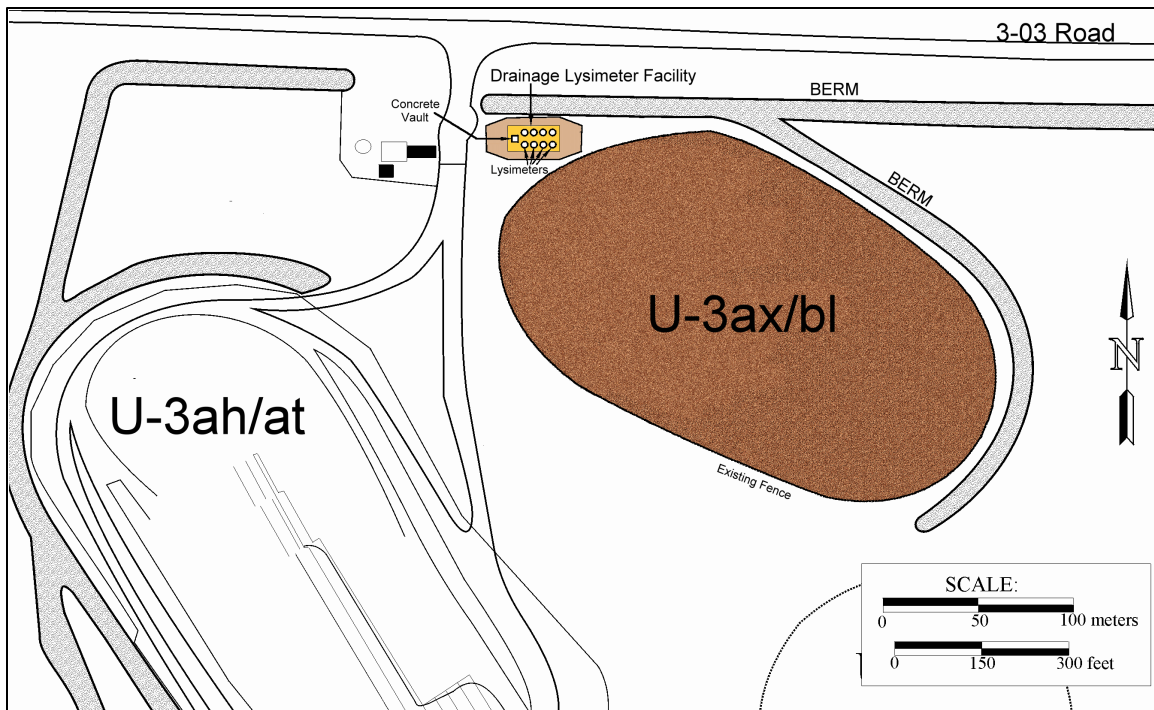


Figure 1 Location of U-3ax/bl and the Drainage Lysimeter Facility

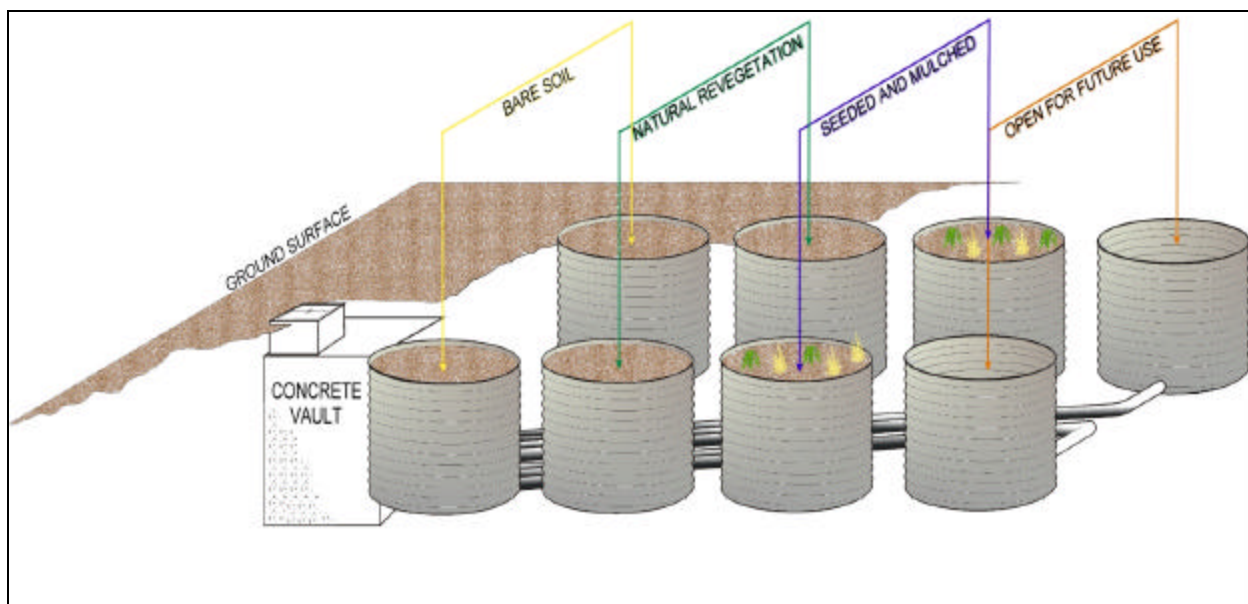


Figure 2 Surface treatments of the eight lysimeters (all are now filled with soil)



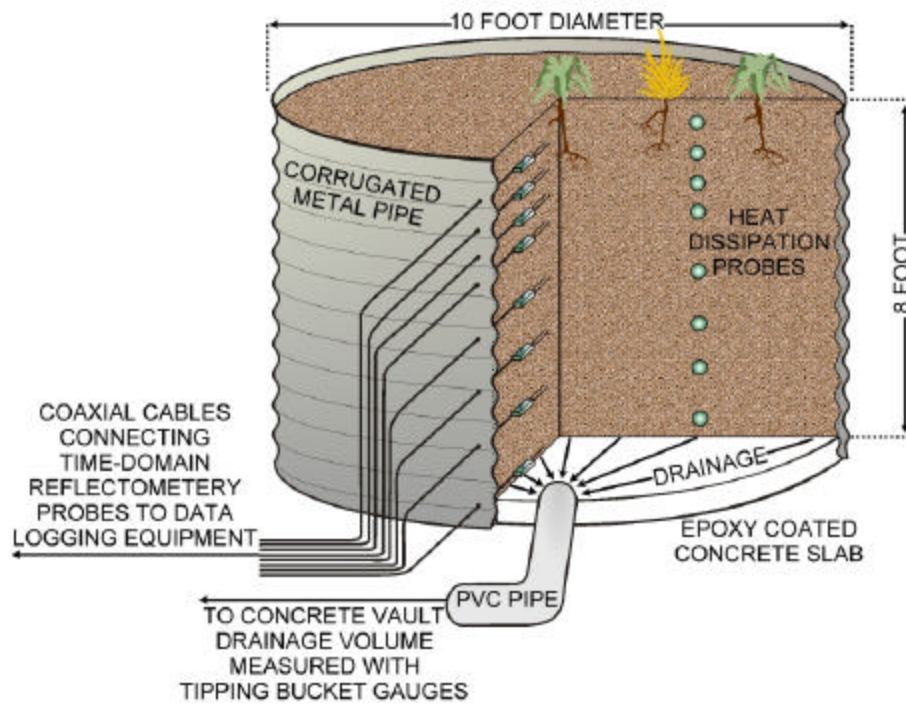


Figure 3 Location of sensors within one drainage lysimeter

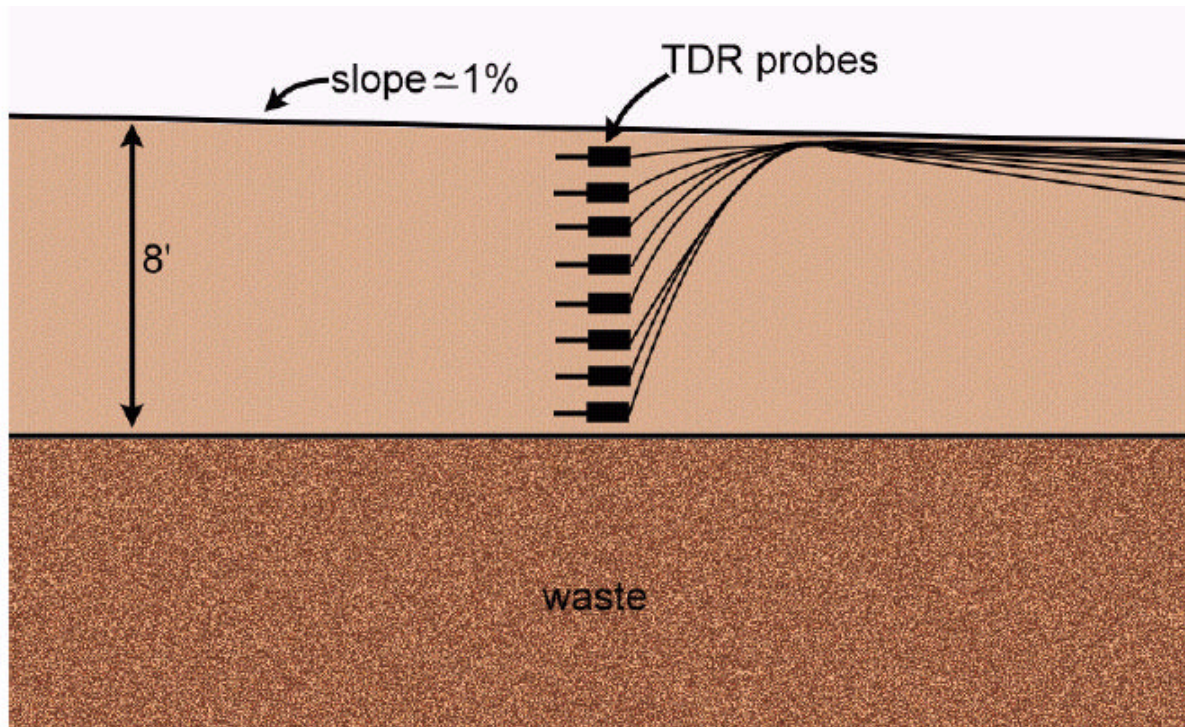


Figure 4 Schematic cross-section of sensor locations in the U-3ax/bl closure cover



In November 2000, construction of the final closure cover of U-3ax/bl began with the application of 30 centimeters (cm) (1 foot [ft]) of soil from a nearby borrow pit to the original 2.4- to 3.0 meter (m) (8- to 10 ft) thick operational closure cover. The final closure cover ranges in thickness from approximately 2.7 to 3.4 m (9 to 11 ft). Re-vegetation activities began in December 2000 with seeding of native species (see Table 1) and straw mulching of the closure cover and two of the drainage lysimeters. The percentage of each species used in the seed mix is based on the relative contribution of a particular species to the total perennial plant cover typical of adjacent native plant communities, the size of the seed, rooting characteristics (i.e., shallow-rooted species), and experience with the species at the NTS (DOE/NV, 2000). Seeded areas were irrigated briefly to promote plant growth.

Table 1 Revegetation activities

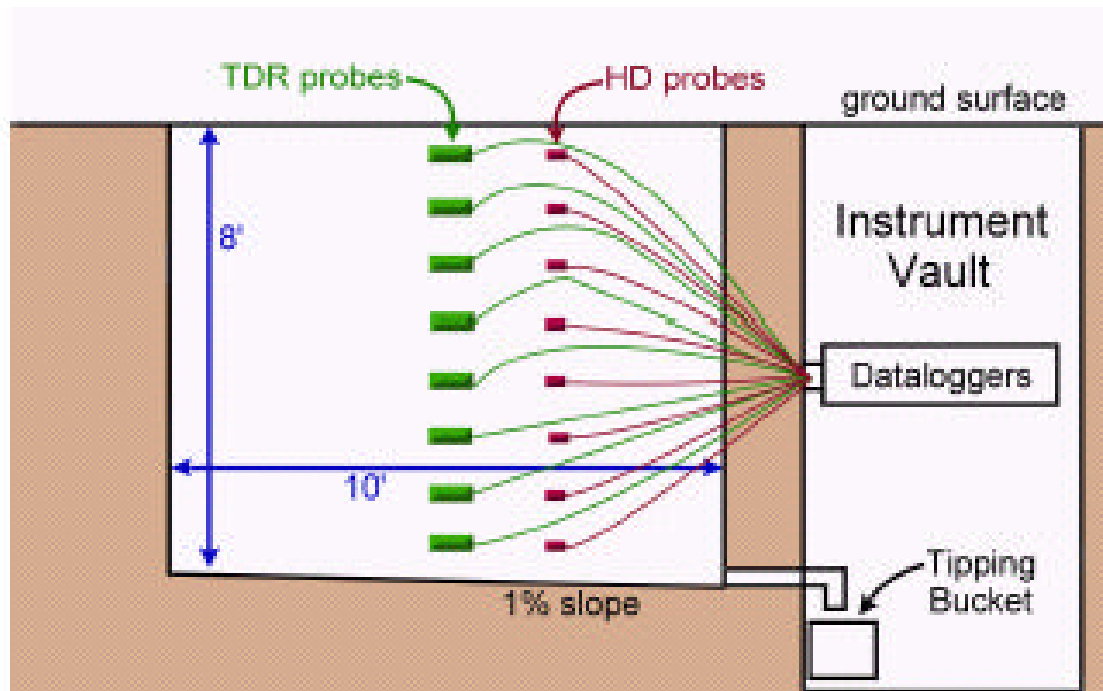
	Scientific Name	Common Name	PLS <sup>1</sup> lbs/Acre	Total PLS lbs of Seed	Approximate Number of Viable Seeds/m <sup>2</sup>
Shrubs	<i>Artemisia spinescens</i>	Budsage	0.1	0.8	108
	<i>Atriplex confertifolia</i>	Shadscale	4.4	32.0	70
	<i>Ephedra nevadensis</i>	Nevada Ephedra	3.0	21.6	15
	<i>Ericameria nauseosa</i>	Rubber Rabbitbrush	1.5	11.2	151
	<i>Eriogonum fasciculatum</i>	Buckwheat	0.3	2.4	37
	<i>Grayia spinosa</i>	Spiny Hopsage	0.5	4.0	23
	<i>Hymenoclea salsola</i>	Burrobush	2.2	16.0	59
	<i>Krascheninnikovia lanata</i>	Winterfat	4.9	36.0	69
	<i>Lycium andersonii</i>	Desert Thorn	0.2	1.6	10
Grasses	<i>Achnatherum hymenoides</i>	Indian Ricegrass	3.4	24.8	136
	<i>Elymus elymoides</i>	Squirreltail	1.0	7.4	48
Forbs	<i>Sphaeralcea ambigua</i>	Globemallow	0.7	4.8	81
	Totals		22.2	162.6	807

<sup>1</sup>Pure Live Seed

Details on the background and installation of the lysimeter facility, and the closure and monitoring of U-3ax/bl can be found in Dixon *et al.* (2000), Fitzmaurice and Levitt (2000), Levitt and Fitzmaurice (2001), and NNSA/NV (2001). Details on the regulatory approval process for the closure of U-3ax/bl can be found in Smith and Fitzmaurice (2001).

## Data Summary

All monitoring data from the lysimeter facility, including drainage, are electronically collected and recorded with data loggers mounted inside the underground monitoring vault (see Figure 5). A direct communication link using coaxial cable communications technology was installed between the vault and a nearby meteorological tower, and a phone line link to the meteorological tower for easy remote access to all data. A meteorology tower located within 122 m (400 ft) of the lysimeter facility has been operational since July 1995. Measurements at the tower include



**Figure 5** Schematic cross-section of sensor locations in each of the eight drainage and instrumentation vaults

air temperature, wind speed and direction, relative humidity, barometric pressure, and solar radiation. Precipitation is measured in a stand-alone rain gauge near the tower. Meteorology data provide the necessary components to approximate evapotranspiration based on the surface energy balance.

A vegetation survey was conducted on both the U-3ax/bl cap and the seeded lysimeter cells in spring 2002 (see Table 2). Absolute plant cover was estimated by recording the amount of cover within a meter-square quadrant. The measurements from 50 quadrants were used to determine the average cover for the U-3ax/bl cap. Percent cover for U-3ax/bl and the seeded lysimeters as of April 2002 are 6 and 12 percent, respectively. The long-term goal for the vegetative cover is 12 percent and is based on vegetation density of similar native environments. The amount of cover on the lysimeter plots decreased from about 31 percent in June 2001 to 12 percent in April 2002. Although 12 percent cover on the lysimeter plots is higher than expected after one year, species diversity is very low. Vegetation density on the lysimeter plots decreased from over 100 plants/square meter ( $m^2$ ) in 2001 to 28 plants/ $m^2$  in 2002 (see Table 3). The most significant decrease in plant numbers was for winterfat, which decreased from 67 plants/ $m^2$  to less than 3 plants/ $m^2$ ; and Indian ricegrass, which decreased from 11.8 plants/ $m^2$  to 1.3 plants/ $m^2$ . Dead plants of winterfat were scattered over the lysimeter plots. Browsers, probably rabbits, had cut the stems. The facility is now fenced with the same fencing design as U-3ax/bl to prevent further consumption of vegetation from browsers. Reseeding of the lysimeters using the original

Table 2 Average percent cover

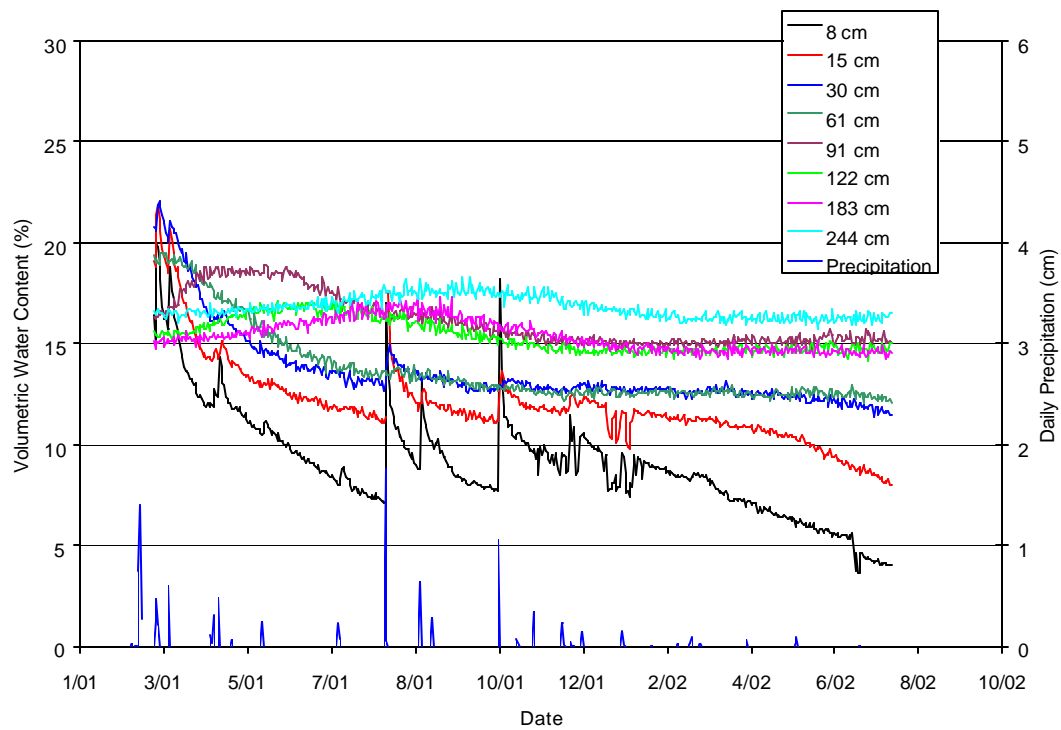
Lifeform	% Cover			
	Cover Cap June 2001	Cover Cap April 2002	Lysimeter June 2001	Lysimeter April 2002
Seeded Species	2.6	6.0	31.3	12
Annuals	5.2	0	2.0	0
Mulch	43.6	24.1	51.3	63

Table 3 Plant density by species

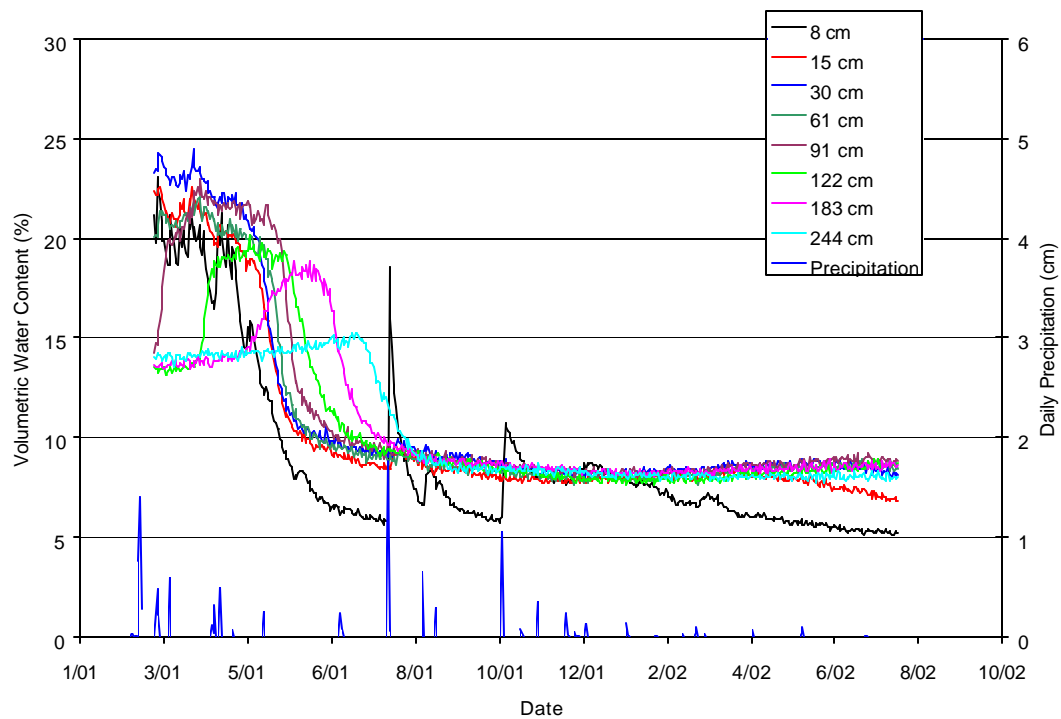
Lifeform	Scientific Name	Common Name	Density	
			Closure Cap April 2002	Lysimeter April 2002
<b>SHRUBS</b>	<i>Artemisia spinescens</i>	Budsage	0	70.0
	<i>Atriplex confertifolia</i>	Shadscale	10.3	0
	<i>Ephedra nevadensis</i>	Nevada Ephedra	6.7	0
	<i>Ericameria nauseosa</i>	Rubber Rabbitbrush	0.7	0
	<i>Eriognum fasciculatum</i>	Buckwheat	4.2	0
	<i>Grayia spinosa</i>	Spiny Hopsage	0.1	0
	<i>Hymenoclea salsola</i>	Burrobush	0	0
	<i>Krascheninnikovia lanata</i>	Winterfat	2.7	1.8
	<i>Lycium andersonii</i>	Desert Thorn	0.0	0
	<i>Atriplex canescens (not seeded)</i>	Fourwing Saltbush	0.1	0
	<b>TOTAL SHRUBS</b>		24.8	71.8
<b>GRASSES</b>	<i>Achnatherum hymenoides</i>	Indian Ricegrass	1.3	0
	<i>Elymus elymoides</i>	Squirreltail	0.2	0
	<b>TOTAL GRASSES</b>		1.5	0
<b>FORBS</b>	<i>Sphaeralcea ambigua</i>	Globemallow	<0.1	0
	<b>TOTAL FORBS</b>		<0.1	0

seed mixture is planned for fall 2002 to increase plant diversity. Because of the below-average precipitation in 2002, supplemental irrigation of U-3ax/bl is also being considered to maintain the established plant community.

The data indicate that the lysimeters and closure cover have dried rapidly, despite elevated soil water contents (due to dust control) introduced during installation of soil and sensors. Wetting fronts from precipitation events have infiltrated less than 3 feet in the bare cover locations and less than 2 feet at seeded locations (both closure cover and lysimeters) before being returned to the atmosphere via evapotranspiration. Figures 6 and 7 illustrate soil water content with time for



**Figure 6** Soil water content in bare drainage lysimeter (A) using TDR system



**Figure 7** Soil water content in native vegetated drainage lysimeter (E) using TDR system

lysimeters A and E, respectively. Lysimeter A has a bare-soil surface, while lysimeter E was revegetated with native plant species. These figures illustrate that the vegetated lysimeter is significantly drier than the bare lysimeter. Additionally, the soil water contents in the vegetated plots are essentially uniform below 30 cm (1 ft), whereas the soil water content generally increases with depth in the bare lysimeters.

Figures 8 and 9 illustrate soil water content with time for U-3ax/bl and show how the soil water content has generally decreased with time as the vegetation on the cap has grown. Comparison of TDR data from the seeded lysimeters and the U-3ax/bl cover indicate that the seeded lysimeters are somewhat drier than the closure cover. This difference can be attributed to the much higher vegetation density on the seeded lysimeters as compared to the closure cover. Vegetation surveys conducted in June of 2001 and May of 2002 found the percent cover on the lysimeters to be four and two times higher than the U-3ax/bl cover, respectively. This difference is the result of a higher germination success on the lysimeters.

Figure 10 illustrates the total soil water storage with time for all eight lysimeters. Total water storage is the calculated total amount of the depth of water in each lysimeter. If one lysimeter were completely saturated, its total water storage would be about 90 cm (3 ft). From *Figure 10*, three groups are readily discernable: bare (wettest), native and invaders (driest), and one invader (intermediate). This figure illustrates that 3 of the 4 cells allowed to re-vegetate with invaders species have thus far been nearly as effective as the seeded species in reducing the soil water storage in the top eight feet of soil.

Figure 11 illustrates the bare to native vegetated lysimeter water storage ratio with time, starting at essentially 1 (equal storage) then dipping below 1 for approximately two months due to the irrigation of the vegetated plot. From mid-May 2001, this ratio curve rises sharply as the vegetation grows and transpires water from the lysimeter. The storage ratio curve leveled off in the fall of 2001 to about 1.7 and decreased slowly to its current ratio of approximately 1.6.

Figures 12 and 13 illustrate soil water potential with time at various depths in lysimeters A and E. Note the sensitivity of these sensors to rainfall, where potential can rapidly change by orders of magnitude. Although soil water content is conceptually easier to understand than soil water potential, measurements of water potential are more important for understanding the movement of water in waste covers. These figures generally indicate an upward matric potential gradient. Additionally, some locations within the vegetated lysimeter are dry beyond the measurement range of the sensor and show the evapotranspiration effects of drying visible to the bottom of the lysimeter (2.4 m [8 ft] deep).

## **Conclusions**

The data collected from the drainage lysimeter facility and instrumented U-3ax/bl cover may provide valuable information for the design of landfill covers in arid environments. The nearly two years of data collected from these facilities indicate that all sensors are operating properly and the facilities are performing well. Due to the below average precipitation conditions, the

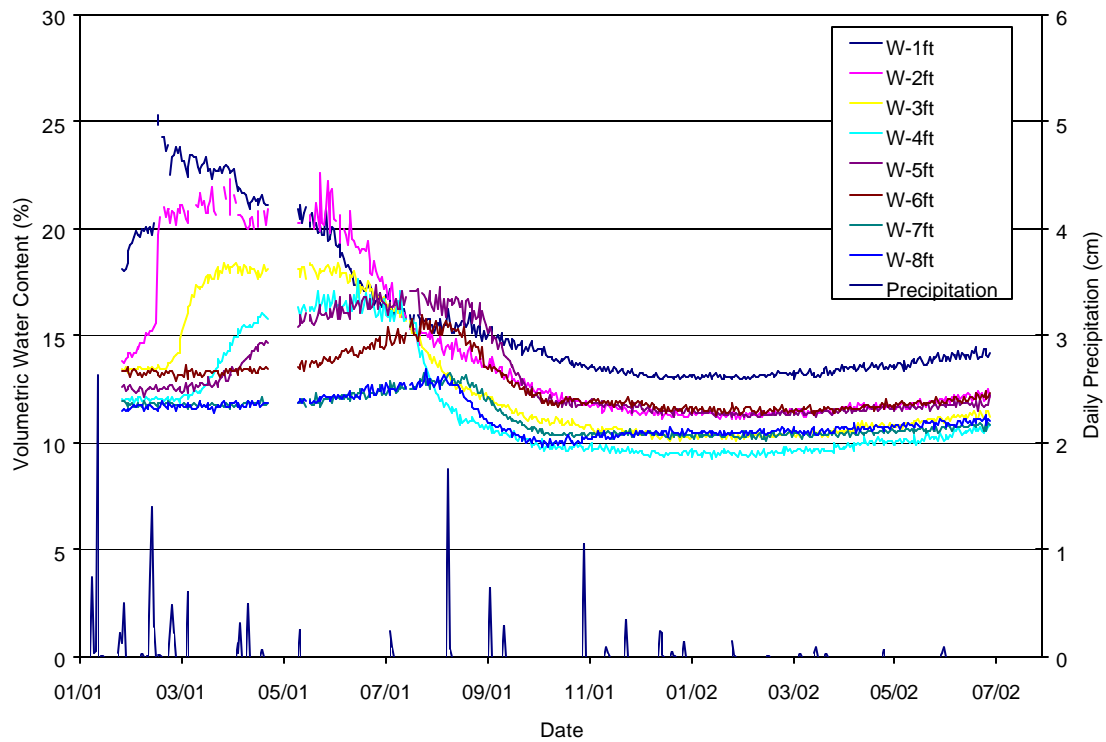


Figure 8 Soil water content in U-3ax/bl cover (west station) using TDR system

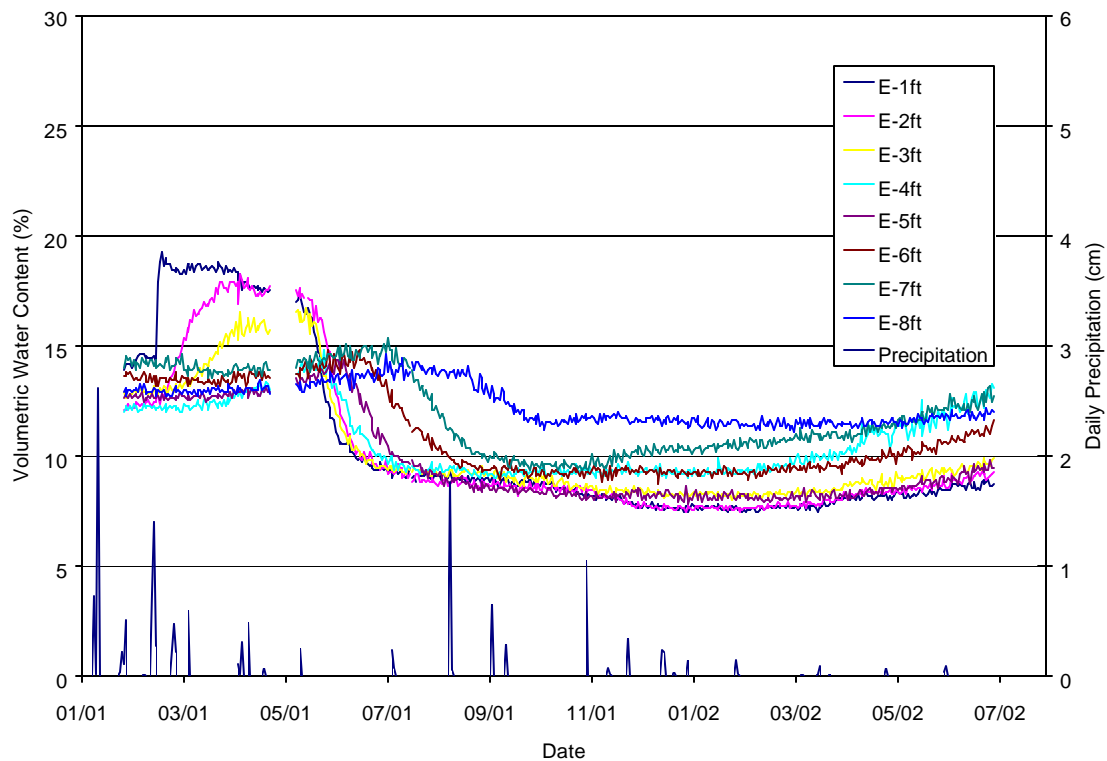


Figure 9 Soil water content in U-3ax/bl cover (east station) using TDR system

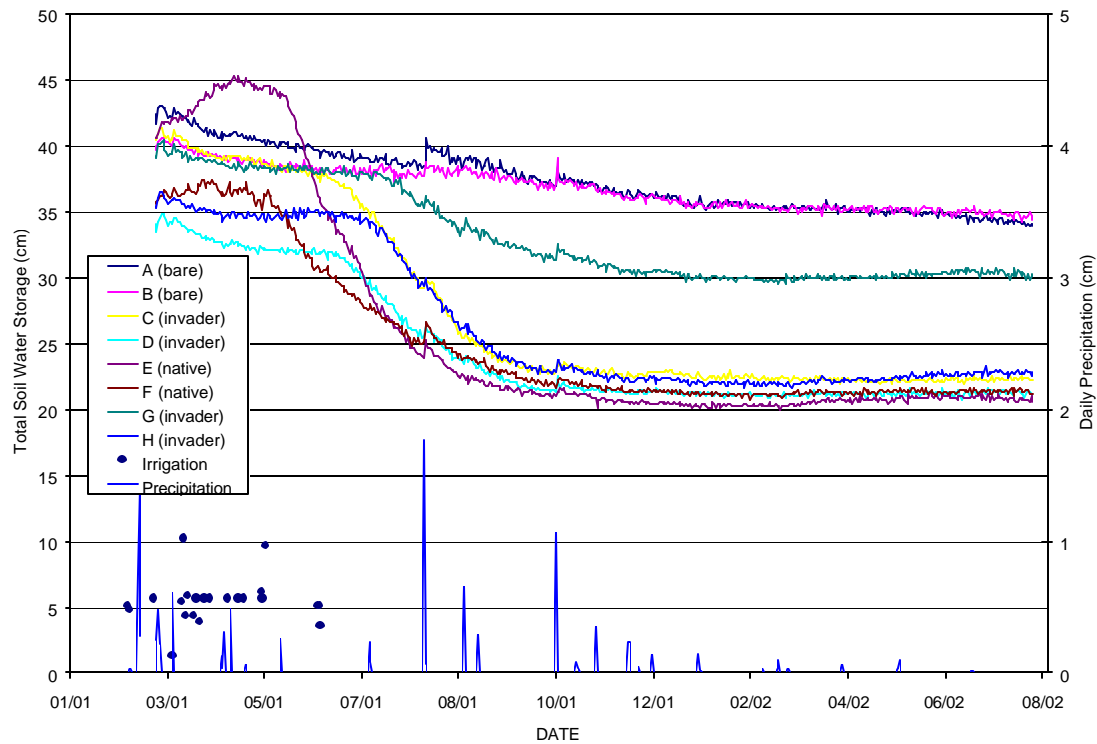


Figure 10 Total soil water storage in drainage lysimeters

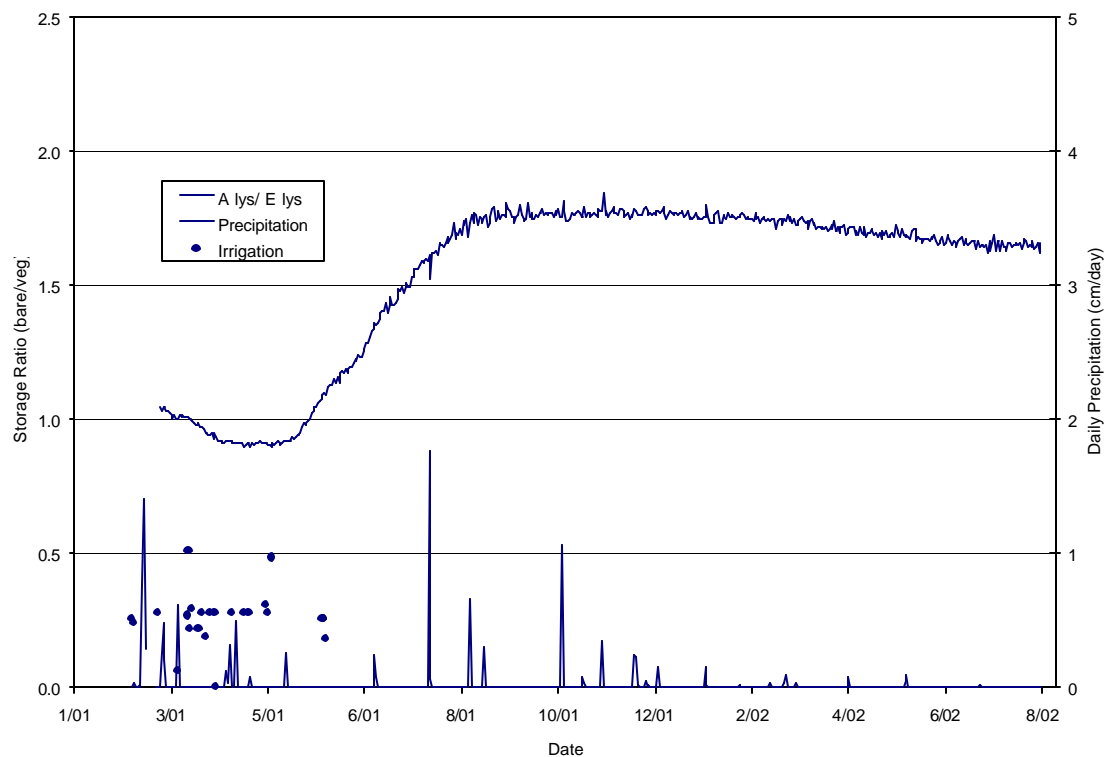


Figure 11 Soil water storage ratio (bare to native vegetated)



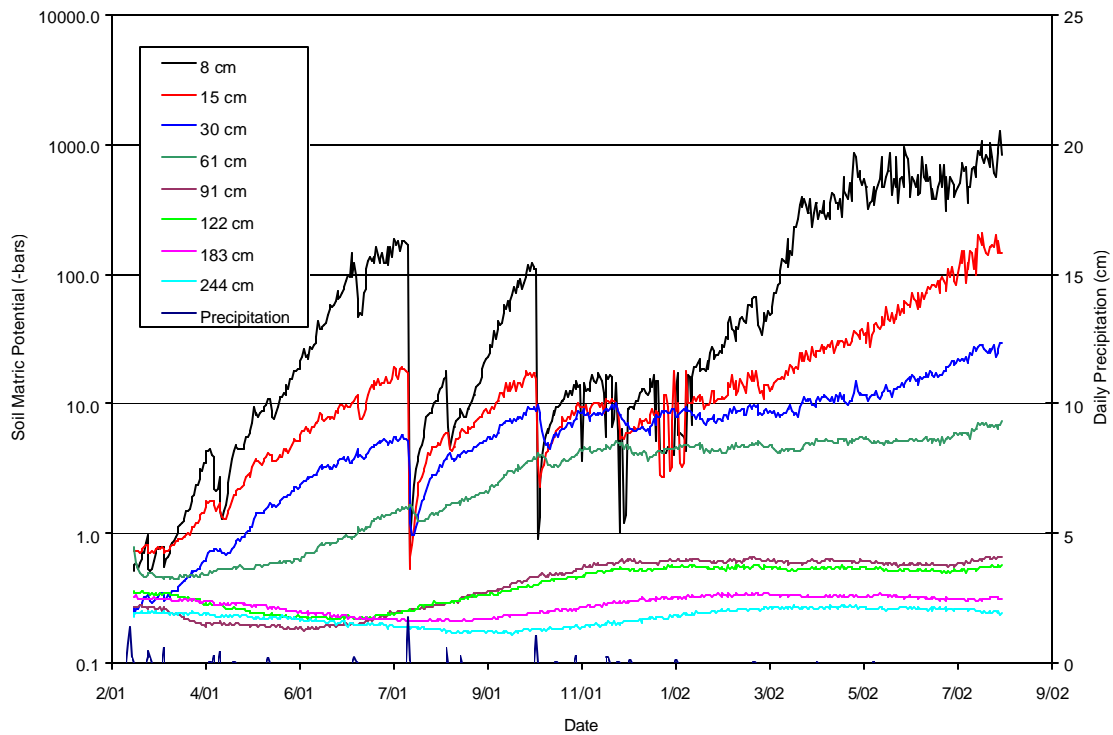


Figure 12 Water potential in lysimeter A (bare soil)

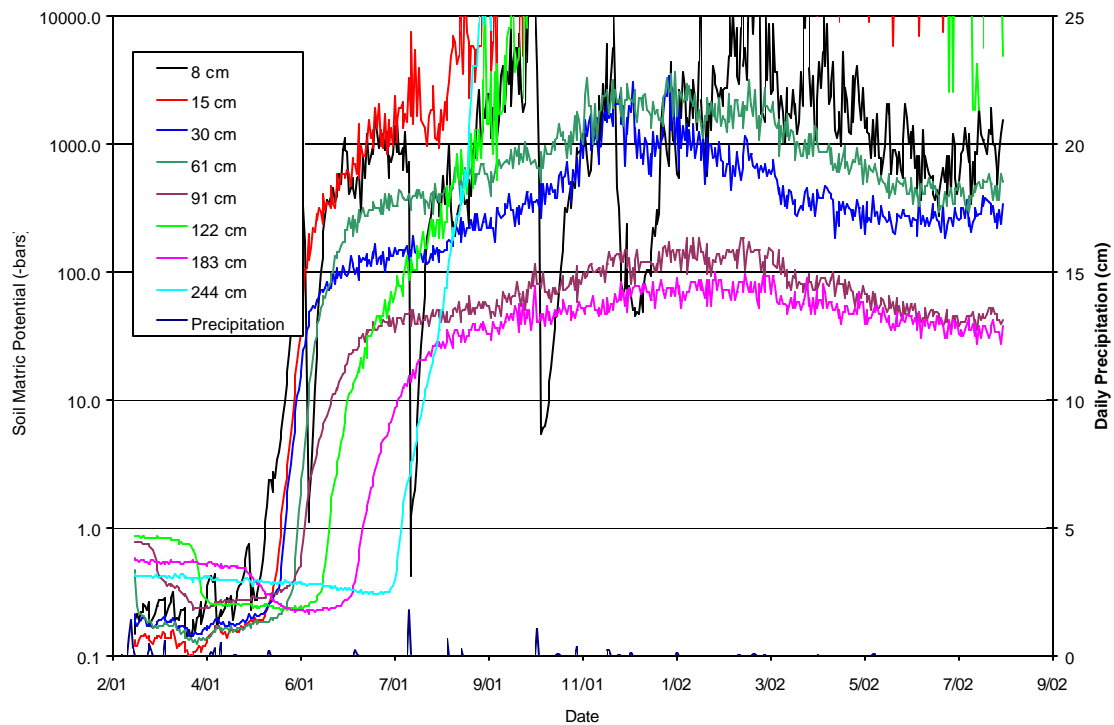


Figure 13 Water potential in lysimeter E (native vegetation)

primary concern at these facilities thus far has been the health of the plant community. Re-seeding of vegetated lysimeters due to consumption of vegetation by browsers is planned for fall 2002 (facility now fenced) while supplemental irrigation of vegetation on U-3ax/bl is also being considered. Experience gained to date suggests that contingency plans for supplemental irrigation or reseeded and routine vegetation surveys should be accounted for in the planning stages of deploying an ET cover.

Data from the drainage lysimeter facility indicate that surface treatments are a key component of performance of monolayer closure covers. This is illustrated in *Figure 11* which shows the current bare to seeded cover soil water storage ratio as 1.6 to 1 (i.e., the bare cover treatment is holding 1.6 times the water than the seeded cover treatment). Somewhat surprisingly, three of the four invader species treatment cells have been nearly as effective as the seeded cells in removing soil water (see *Figure 10*). It may then be questioned whether the expense of seeding landfill covers is warranted. Although thus far the invader species cells have performed well, the spatial density of invader species growth and therefore effectiveness over a multi-acre cover, is uncertain. However, these data do suggest that a loss of seeded vegetation may be compensated for by the growth of invader species.

## **Future Work**

Funding for long-term enhanced precipitation (irrigation) is currently being pursued. Irrigation of some of the lysimeters will help define the limits of monolayer-ET cap performance by evaluating what level of precipitation will result in drainage. Reseeding of the native vegetation lysimeters is planned for fall 2002 to increase the plant diversity. Future work at this facility may also include studies of root growth and deployment of a surface treatment on lysimeters G and H.

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## **Attachment 1**

### **As-Built Drawings for the Area 3 Lysimeter Facility**

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

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## ALTERNATIVE CLOSURE COVER MONITORING SYSTEM - ASTD

AREA 03

ASTD PROJECT LOCATION

### DRAWING INDEX

DRAWING NUMBER DRAWING TITLE

#### TITLE

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SITE PLAN  
EXCAVATION PLAN & SECTIONS  
GRADING PLAN & SECTIONS  
VAULT & LYSIMETER DETAILS  
VAULT & LYSIMETER DETAILS

#### SCOPE OF WORK

CONSTRUCT A MONITORING SYSTEM TO ACCOMPANY THE CLOSURE OF U3 42/61. CONSISTING OF 8 DRAINAGE LYSIMETERS AND A BELOW-GROUND, PRE-FABRICATED CONCRETE VAULT, CENTRAL MONITORING FACILITY (CMF).

AREA EVALUATION FOR RESIDUAL SOIL CONTAMINATION SHALL BE PERFORMED BY THE CONTRACTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH DOE/NV 5480.11 AND THE CONTRACTOR'S STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES PRIOR TO COMMENCING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES.

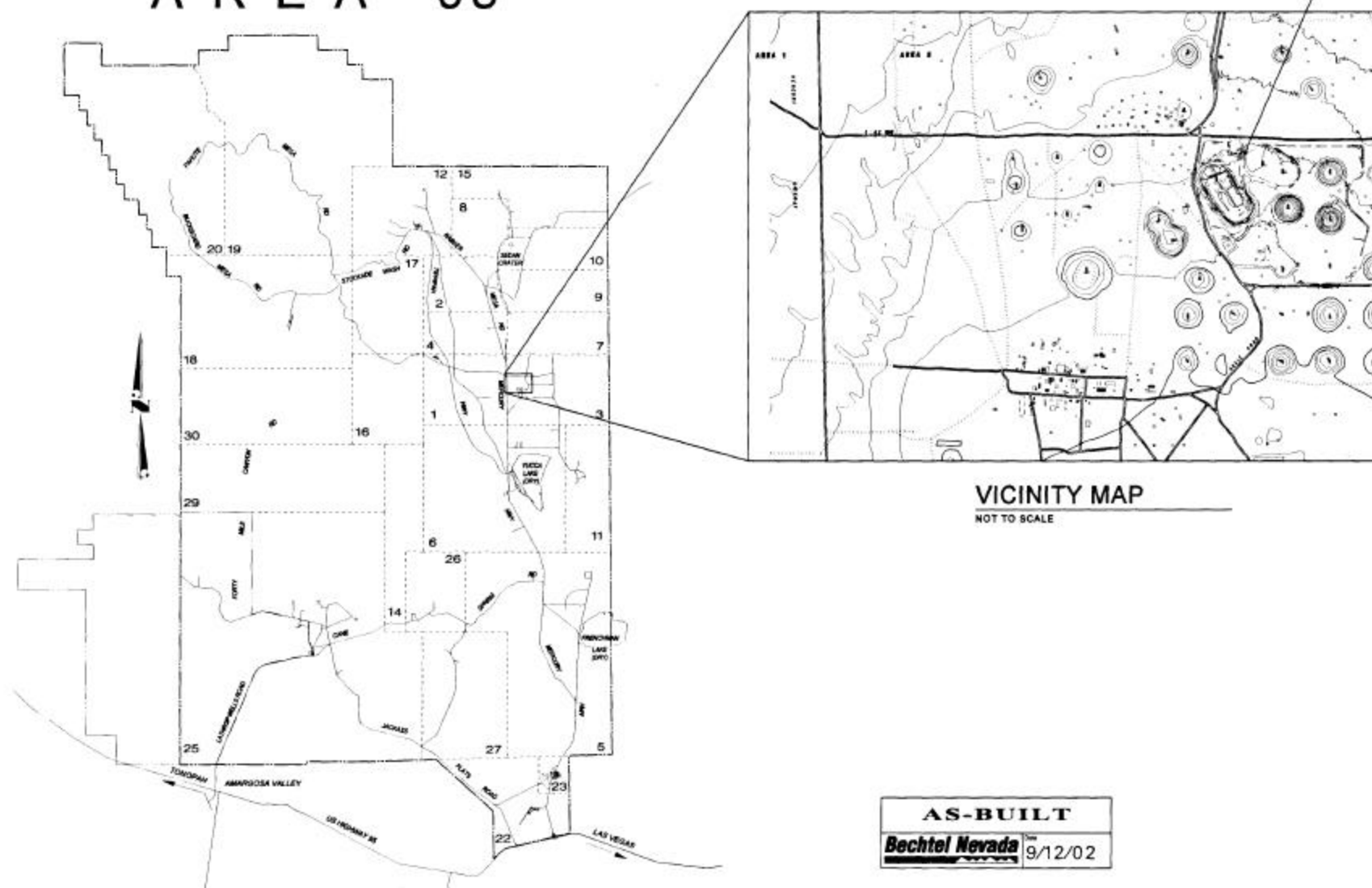
#### PROJECT NOTES

ALL CONSTRUCTION FEATURES, MATERIALS, TESTS AND DETAILS SHALL CONFORM TO CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS FOR "U3 42/61 ALTERNATIVE CLOSURE COVER MONITORING SYSTEM."

BASIS FOR HORIZONTAL CONTROL IS THE NORTH AMERICAN DATUM 1927, STATE PLANE, NEVADA CENTRAL ZONE, FEET. BASIS FOR VERTICAL CONTROL IS THE NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929, FEET.

#### METRIC NOTE

ALL DESIGN DIMENSIONS ARE SHOWN ENGLISH AND METRIC. NOMINAL CUSTOMARY ENGLISH CALLOUTS ARE MAINTAINED. METRIC CALLOUTS ARE USED WHERE NO ENGLISH CALLOUT EXISTS OR WHERE VENDOR SUPPLIED ITEMS ARE METRIC BY DESIGN.



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#### DUAL ENGLISH/METRIC DRAWING

ALL METRIC DIMENSIONS AND NOTATIONS ARE SHOWN BELOW THE DIMENSION LINE OR IN PARENTHESES.  
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1. ALL EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITIES WITHIN THE CONSTRUCTION SITE SHALL BE LOCATED BY MEANS OF AN ELECTRONIC METAL DETECTING DEVICE AND MARKED.
2. ALL GRADE ELEVATIONS SHOWN ARE FINISH GRADES, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. SUBGRADE ELEVATIONS MUST BE ESTABLISHED WHERE REQUIRED PRIOR TO FINAL GRADING.
3. ALL CONCRETE SHALL BE PLACED IN NEAT EXCAVATION AGAINST FIRM, UNDISTURBED OR COMPACTED MATERIAL.
4. IN AREAS UNDER CONCRETE SLABS, ALL SUBGRADE SHALL BE COMPACTED TO NOT LESS THAN 95 PERCENT OF MAXIMUM DRY DENSITY AS DETERMINED BY ASTM D1557-91, ASTM D2932-91 AND ASTM D3017-88, TO A DEPTH OF 6 INCHES.
5. IN AREAS OF EXCAVATION REQUIRING FILL, SCARIFY THE TOP SIX INCHES OF EXISTING GROUND.
6. FIELD DENSITY TESTS WILL BE PERFORMED IN SUFFICIENT NUMBER TO ENSURE THAT THE SPECIFIED DENSITY IS BEING OBTAINED.

SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION
	EXISTING CONTOUR
	FINISH CONTOUR
	EXISTING SPOT ELEVATION
	FINISH GRADE ELEVATION
	CENTER LINE
	LIMIT OF EARTHWORK
	EXISTING DIRT ROAD
	EDGE OF EXISTING ASPHALT PAVING
	EDGE OF NEW ASPHALT PAVING
	CONCRETE
	EARTH
	BACKFILL
	EXISTING FLOW LINE
	NEW FLOW LINE
	CAPPED SEWER OR WATER LINE
	EXISTING SANITARY SEWER CLEANOUT
	NEW SANITARY SEWER CLEANOUT
	EXISTING UTILITY LINE (SIZE & TYPE)
	NEW UTILITY LINE (SIZE & TYPE)
	EXISTING MANHOLE
	NEW MANHOLE
	SURVEY MONUMENT
	EXISTING POWER POLE
	NEW POWER POLE
	EXISTING SLOPE
	NEW SLOPE
	EXISTING GATE VALVE
	NEW GATE VALVE
	EXISTING BUILDING OR STRUCTURE
	NEW BUILDING
	EXISTING FIRE HYDRANT
	NEW FIRE HYDRANT
	EXISTING POST INDICATOR VALVE
	NEW POST INDICATOR VALVE
	EXISTING CULVERT
	NEW CULVERT
	EXISTING FENCE
	NEW FENCE
	SURVEY CONTROL POINT

ALUMINUM	AL	GAGE OR GAUGE	GA
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE HIGHWAY & TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS	AASHTO	GALVANIZED	GALV
AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE	ANSI	GATE VALVE	GTV
AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING & MATERIALS	ASTM	GENERAL	GENL
AND	&	GRADE	GR
APPROVED	APVD	HIGH	H
APPROXIMATE	APPROX	HORIZONTAL	HORIZ
AT	@	INCH	IN
AVERAGE	AVG	INSIDE DIAMETER	ID
BECHTEL NEVADA	BN	INVERT	INVT
BOTTOM	BOT	JOINT	JT
BRACING	BRCG	LONG	L
BRACKET	BRKT	MANUFACTURER	MFR
BUILDING	BLDG	MATERIAL	MATL
BURIED CABLE	BC	MAXIMUM	MAX
CEMENT	CEM	MINIMUM	MIN
CENTER	CTR	MISCELLANEOUS	MISC
CENTER LINE	CL	NEVADA	NV
CENTER TO CENTER	CTOC	NEVADA TEST SITE	NTS
CIRCULAR	CIRC	NON RISING STEM	NRS
CLEAR	CLR	NORTH	N
COMMUNICATION UNDERGROUND	CUG	NOT TO SCALE	NTS
CONCRETE	CONC	OUTSIDE DIAMETER	OD
CONSTRUCTION	CONSTR	OVERHEAD	OVHD
CONSTRUCTION JOINT	CJ	POLYVINYL CHLORIDE	PVC
CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION	CONSPEC	POWER	P
CONTINUATION/CONTINUOUS	CONT	POWER OVERHEAD	POH
CONTROL JOINT	CLJ	POWER POLE	PP
CORRUGATED METAL PIPE	CMP	POWER SURFACE LAID	PSL
CUBIC YARD	CY	POWER UNDERGROUND	PUG
DETAIL	DET	PROJECT ENGINEER	PE
DEGREE	DEG	QUANTITY	QTY
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY	DOE	RADIATION	RAD
DIAGONAL	DIAG	RADIOACTIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT SITE	RWMS
DIAMETER	DIA	REFERENCE	REF
DIMENSION	DIM	REINFORCING	REINF
DOUBLE	DBL	REQUIRED	REQD
DRAWING	DWG	REVISIONS/REVERSE	REV
EACH	EA	RIGHT	R
EAST	E	ROAD	RD
ELECTRIC/ELECTRICAL	ELEC	SANITARY SEWER	SS
ELEVATION	EL	SCHEDULE	SCHED
ENGINEER	ENGR	SECTION	SECT
ENTRANCE	ENTR	SOUTH/SEWER	S
ENVIRONMENTAL	ENVIR	SPECIFICATION	SPEC
EXISTING	EXST	STEEL	STL
EXPOSED	EXP	SUBGRADE	SG
FEET	FT	TEMPORARY	TEMP
FIBER OPTICS	FO	TOP OF CONCRETE	TOC
FIELD	FID	TYPICAL	(TYP)
FINISH	FNISH	UNDERGROUND	UGND
FINISH GRADE	FG	UNITED STATES	US
FLOOR	FL	VERTICAL	VERT
FOOT	FT	WATER/WEST/WIDE	W
FOOTING	FTG	WEIGHT	WT
FOUNDATION	FDN	WITH	WI
		WITHOUT	WID

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NEVADA TEST SITE \_\_\_\_\_ AREA 03

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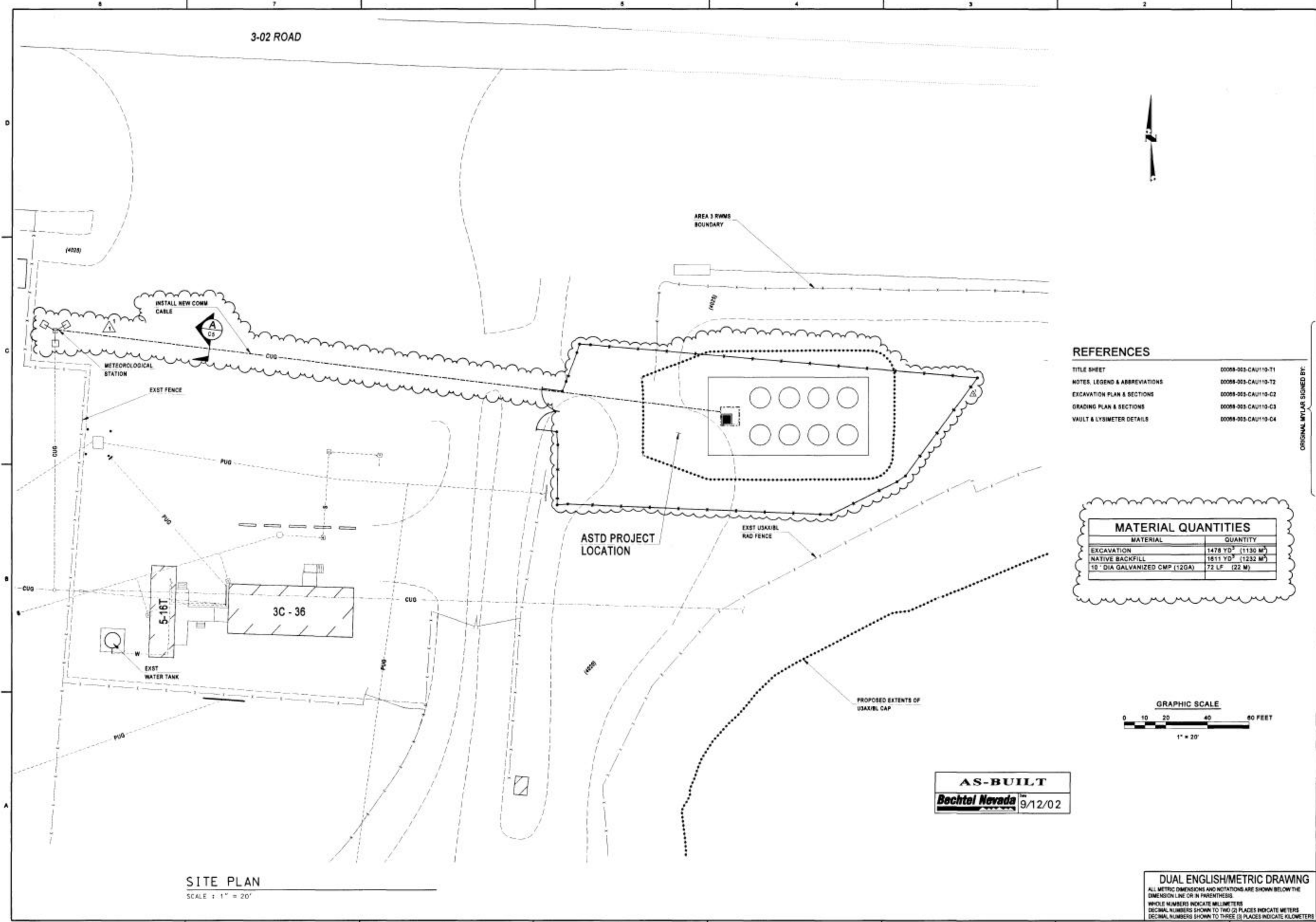
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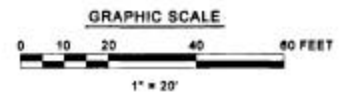


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MATERIAL QUANTITIES

MATERIAL	QUANTITY
EXCAVATION	1478 YD <sup>3</sup> (1130 M <sup>3</sup> )
NATIVE BACKFILL	1811 YD <sup>3</sup> (1232 M <sup>3</sup> )
10" DIA GALVANIZED CMP (12GA)	72 LF (22 M)



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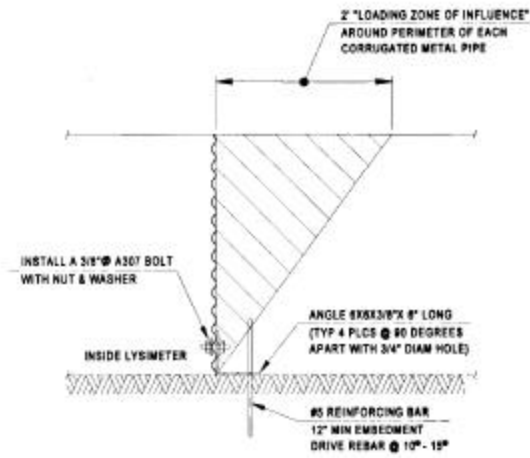
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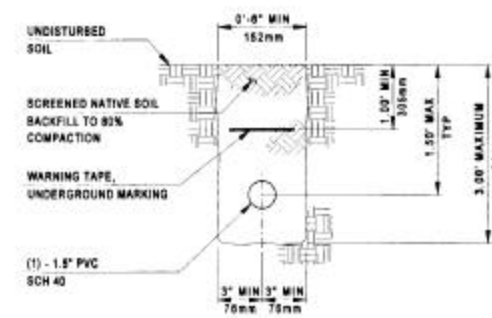




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### GENERAL NOTES

1. ALL LYSIMETER AND VAULT PENETRATIONS SHALL BE FILLED WITH HANDI-FOAM, EXPANDING INSULATION FOAM, OR APPROVED EQUAL.
2. CONSTRUCTION SHALL FOLLOW THE BACKFILLING REQUIREMENTS IDENTIFIED ON SPEC. SP-00086A05-C0012 D BACKFILLING SECTION 02223.
3. TO PREVENT THE CMP FROM POSSIBLE FAILURE DUE TO HEAVY COMPACTION EQUIPMENT DURING THE BACKFILLING AND COMPACTION OPERATIONS, ENGINEERING RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:
  - (A) USE HAND COMPACTION EQUIPMENT WHEN COMPACTING WITHIN AN AREA DEFINED AS "LOADING ZONE OF INFLUENCE"
  - (B) NO HEAVY CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT (BACKHOES, GRADERS, BULLDOZERS, AND THE LIKE) ARE TO BE USED WITHIN THIS "LOADING ZONE OF INFLUENCE"
  - (C) "LOADING ZONE OF INFLUENCE" IS DEFINED AS THE AREA ENCOMPASSED WITHIN THE TRIANGLE SHOWN IN DETAIL 4

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