# APPENDIX A GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY REPORT (NOVA)

## GEOPHYSICAL ENGINEERING SURVEY REPORT

FONF Expansion / Sabre Park BCP Factory Outlet Boulevard Niagara Falls, New York 14304

#### **NOVA PROJECT NUMBER**

13-0680

#### **DATED**

JULY 12, 2013

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July 12, 2013

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Re: Geophysical Engineering Survey (GES) Report

FONF Expansion / Sabre Park BCP 1705 Factory Outlet Boulevard, Niagara Falls, New York 14304

Dear Mr. Zalaski:

Nova Geophysical Services (NOVA) is pleased to provide findings of the geophysical engineering survey (GES) at the above referenced project site: FONF Expansion / Sabre Park BCP 1705 Factory Outlet Boulevard, Niagara Falls, New York (the "Site"). Please see attached Site Location and Geophysical Survey maps for more details.

## INTRODUCTION TO GEOPHYSICAL ENGINEERING SURVEY (GES)

NOVA performed a Geophysical engineering surveys consisting of Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) and Electromagnetic (EM) surveys at the project Site. The purpose of this survey is to locate and identify any subsurface major anomalies consistent with underground storage tanks, other abnormalities and to clear and mark proposed soil borings (approximately 84), approximately 10 soil-gas and test pits (approximately 70) areas at the project site on June 23<sup>rd</sup> through June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

The equipment selected for this investigation was an Electromagnetic Detector- Fisher T-6 Utility Locator, Schonstedt's Magnetometer and Noggin's GPR with 200 MHz & 250 MHz shielded antennas.

A GPR system consists of a radar control unit, control cable and a transducer (antenna). The control unit transmits a trigger pulse at a normal repetition rate of 200 MHz to 250 MHz. The trigger pulse is sent to the transmitter electronics in the transducer via the control cable. The transmitter electronics amplify the trigger pulses into bipolar pulses that are radiated to the surface.



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The transformed pulses vary in shape and frequency according to the transducer used. In the subsurface, variations of the signal occur at boundaries where there is a dielectric contrast (void, steel, soil type, etc.). Signal reflections travel back to the control unit and are represented as color graphic images for interpolation.

#### **GEOPHYSICAL METHODS**

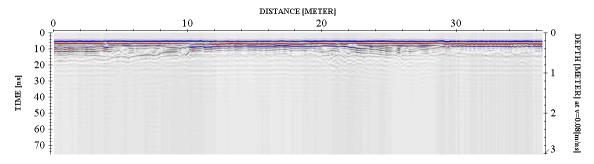
The project site was first screened using the Geonics(tm) electromagnetic detector by carrying the instrument over the project area at the site in 5' x 5' traverses. Finally, GPR profiles were collected over each anomaly and inspected for reflections, which could be indicative of major anomalies and substructures. Nova performed full scale multi-frequency GPR surveys for the targeted depths of approximately 10 to 15 feet below ground surface (bgs) pending quality of the data and sediments settings.

GPR data profiles were collected for the areas of the Site specified by the client. The surveyed areas consisted of unpaved areas with overgrown vegetation and paved (asphalt) roadways and parking lot.

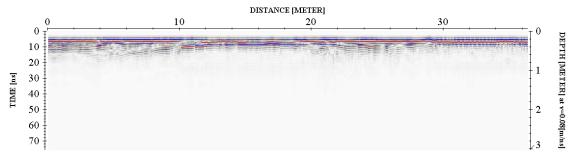
#### **DATA PROCESSING**

In order to improve the quality of the results and to better identify subsurface anomalies NOVA processed the collected data. The processes flow is briefly described at this section.

Step 1. Import raw RAMAC data to standard processing format



Step 2. Remove instrument noise (dewow)



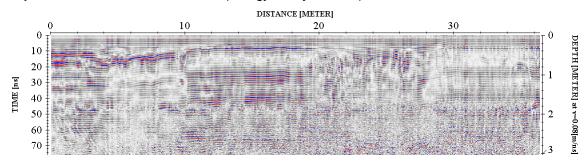


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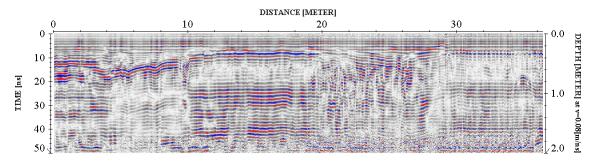
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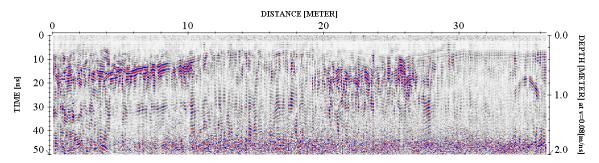
**Step 3.** Correct for attenuation losses (energy decay function)



**Step 4.** Remove static from bottom of profile (time cut)



**Step 5.** Mute horizontal ringing/noise (subtracting average)



The above example shows the significance of data processing. The last image (step 5) has higher resolution than the starting image (raw data – step 1) and describes the subsurface anomalies more accurately.



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#### **PHYSICAL SETTINGS**

Nova observed following physical conditions at the time of the survey:

#### The weather:

Mostly sunny to cloudy with occasional rain and thunder storms.

#### Temps:

Sunday	<u>Monday</u>	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
91 F	89F	88F	92F	93F	88F

#### Surface:

Unpaved areas with fill material and paved areas (roadways and parking lots).

#### Geophysical Noise Level (GNL):

Geophysical Noise Level (GNL) was **medium to high** at the time of the survey due to excessive fill materials with large concrete blocks (along the south side), woods, etc., overgrown vegetation and parked cars at the time of the survey.

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

The results of the geophysical engineering survey (GES) identified following at the project Site:

- GES identified scattered anomalies consisted with fill materials that may be containing broken bricks, large broken concrete blocks, cinders and etc. approximately 8 feet below ground surface (bgs) located along the southern portion of the project site. Due to existing of these materials, NOVA was unable to collect quality EM and GPR data from these portion of the project site.
- GES identified minor anomalies with stronger reflection located throughout of the project area facing. Further investigation of these anomalies with the EKKO Map software and their reflection rates, these anomalies were consisted with subsurface utility lines: water, gas, sewer and etc.
- GES identified main water line as well as gas and electrical utility lines were entering the site along the western portion of the project area facing Factory Outlet Boulevard.



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- GES identified anomalies with higher reflection rates located throughout the project area. Based
  on their reflection rate and proximity, these anomalies were consistent with concrete structured sewer
  lines located approximately 6 to 8 feet bgs.
- Nova cleared and marked all proposed soil boring, soil vapor, monitoring wells as well as test pit
  locations located throughout of the project site. Due to existing of subsurface utility lines and some
  other abnormalities some of these locations were adjusted accordingly.
- GES did not identify any other anomalies that maybe consistent with underground storage tanks (USTs) or any other major substructure.
- Geophysical Survey Plan portrays the areas investigated during the geophysical survey.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned. Sincerely,

**NOVA Geophysical Services** 

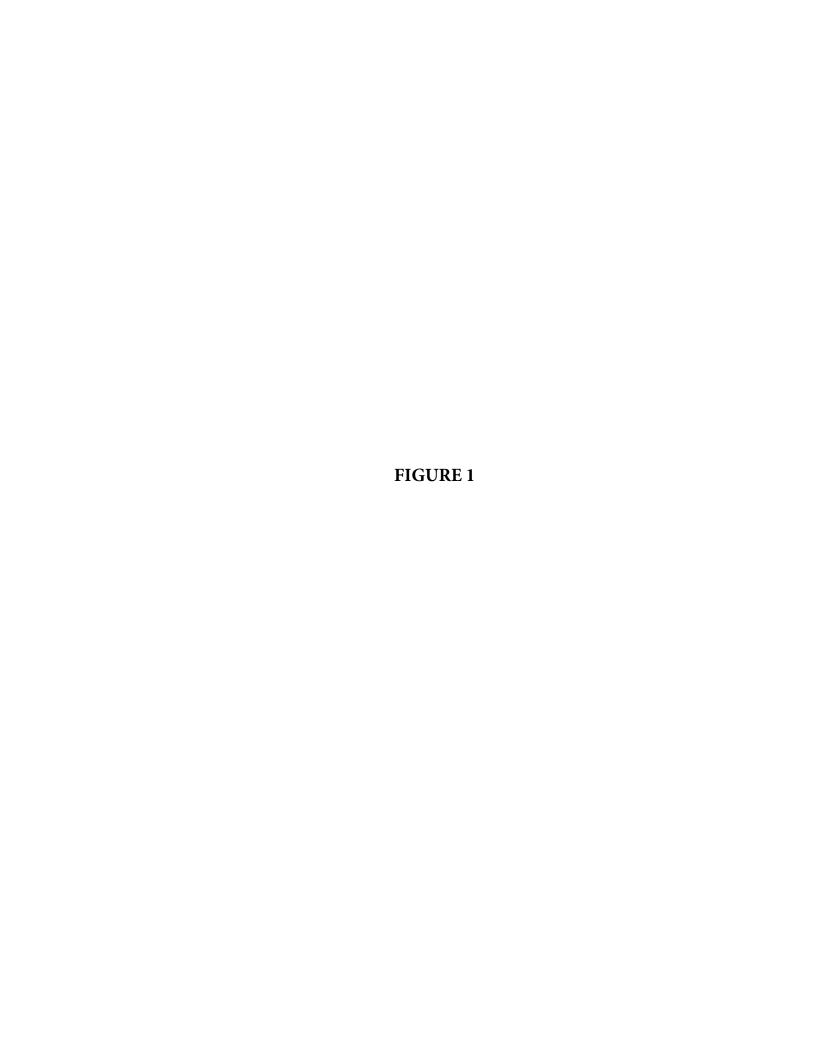
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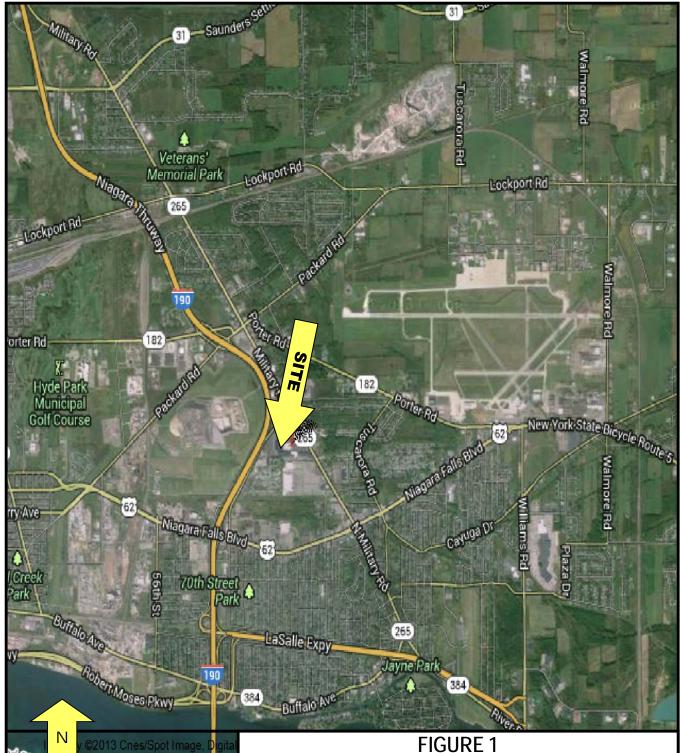
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Appendix:

Figure 1 Site Location Map Geophysical Survey Plan Geophysical Survey Images GPR & EM Images







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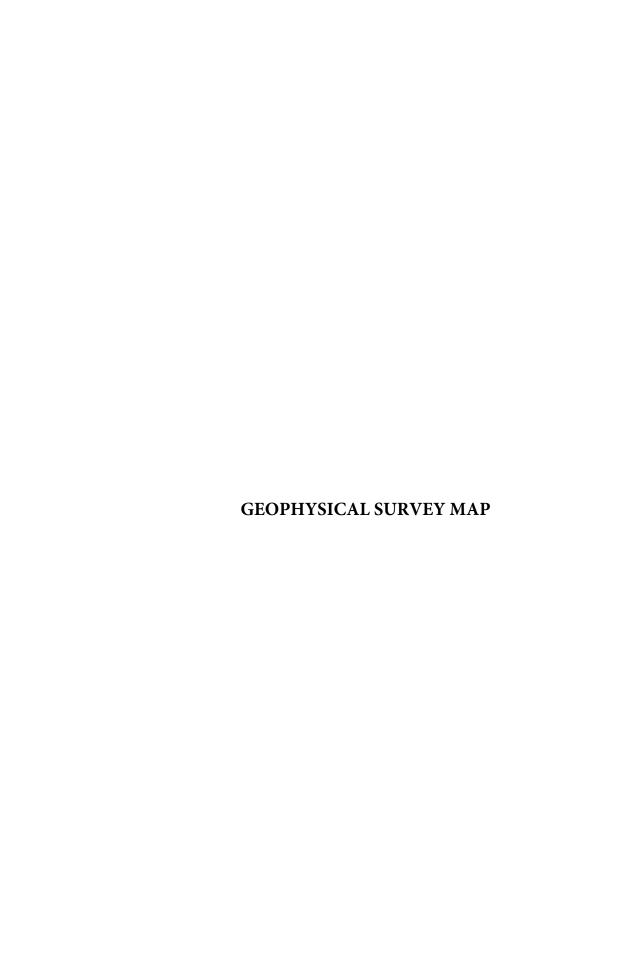
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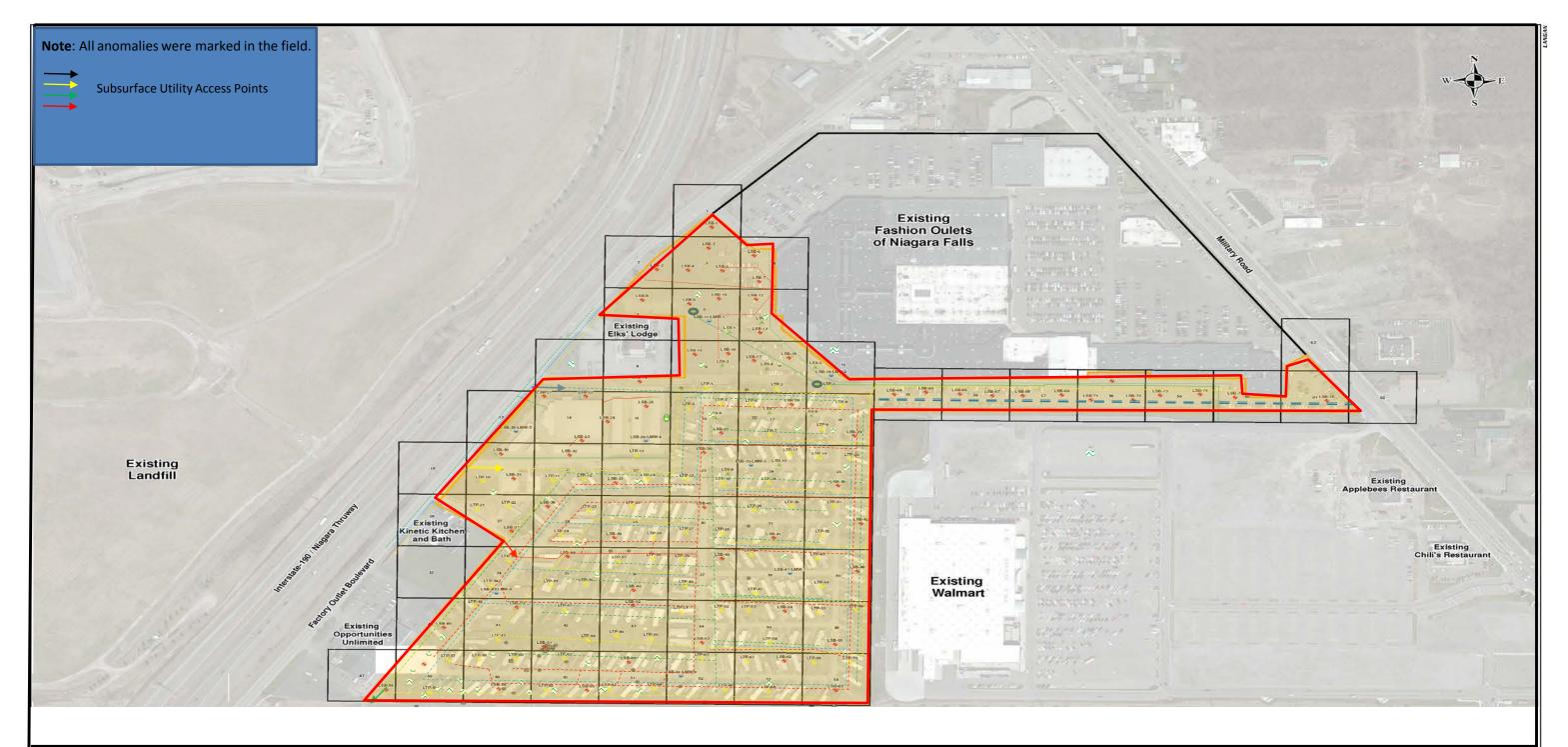
SITE LOCATION MAP

SITE: FONF Expansion / Sabre Park BCP

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SCALE: See Map





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## **GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY PLAN**

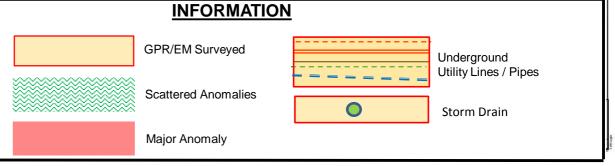
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CLIENT: **LANGAN** 

DATE: June 23rd through June 28th, 2013

Scale See Map





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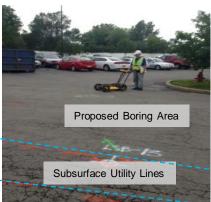


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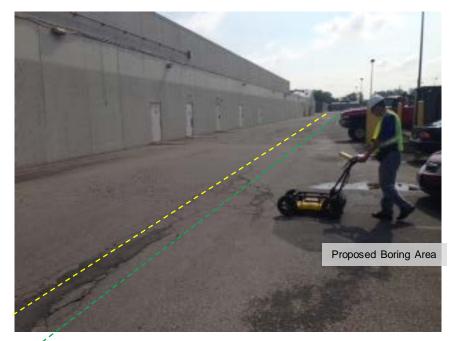
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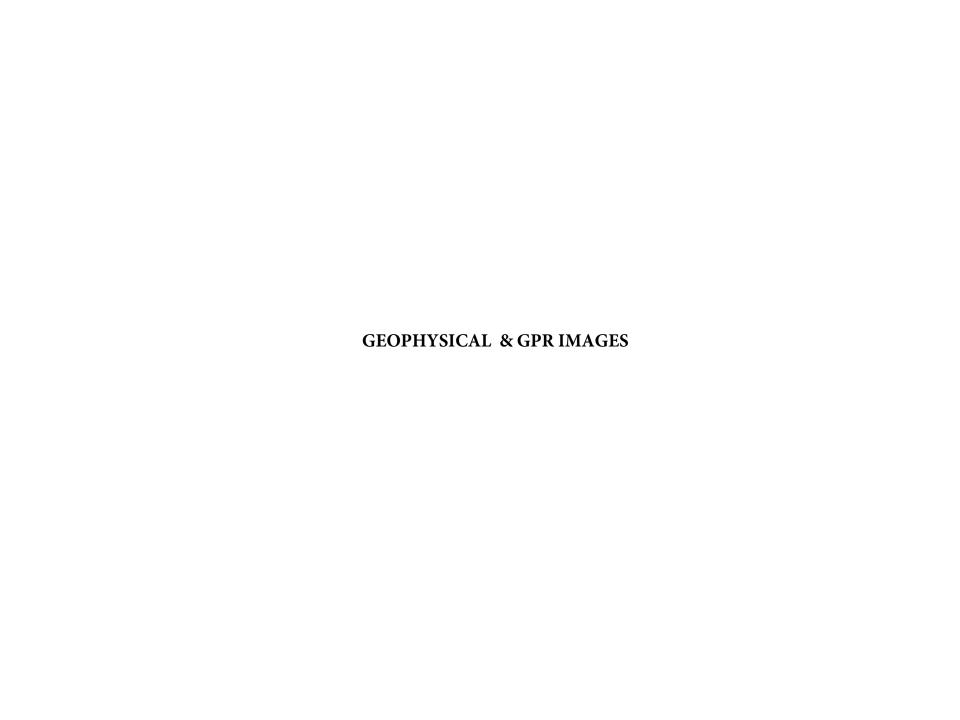




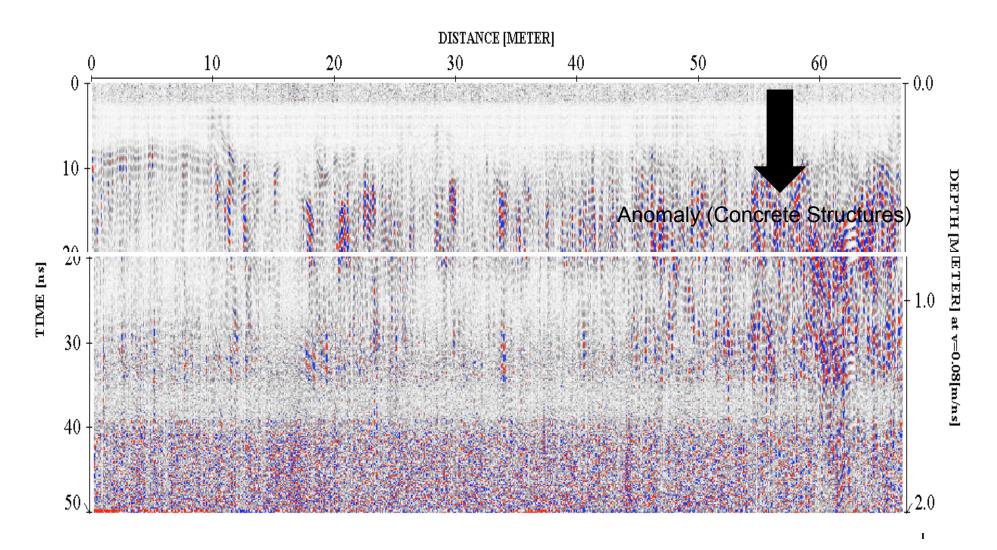






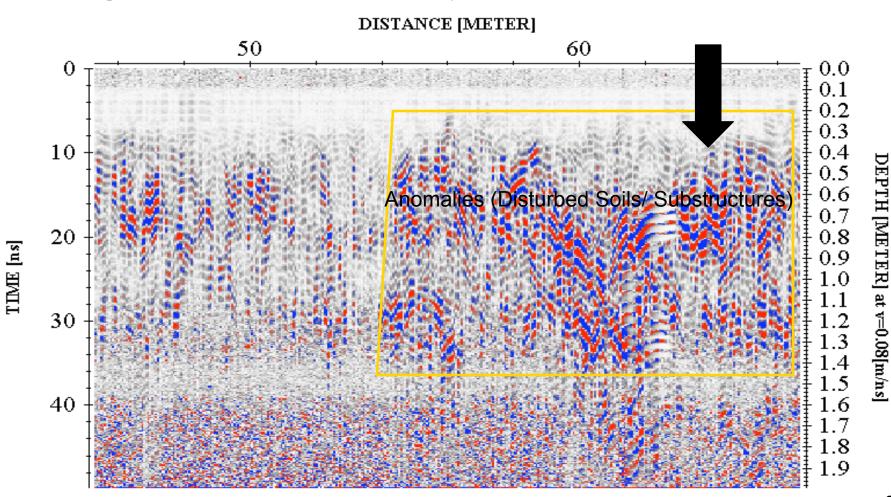


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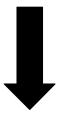
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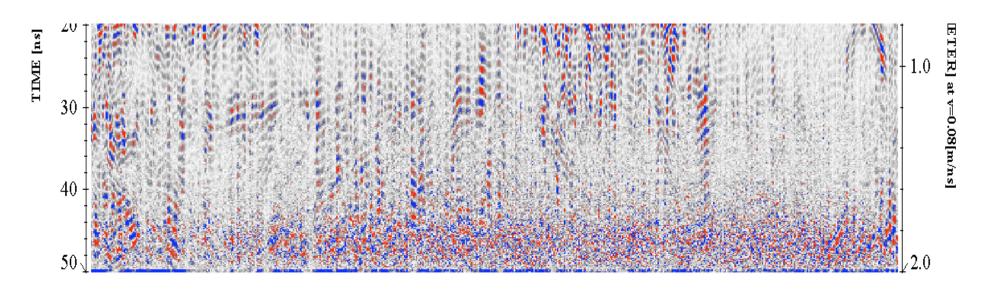
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## Anomaly (Utilities)





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