

Risk Assessment at Uncontrolled Shooting Sites



Sonoran Desert National Monument [1]

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Trash at Site [2]

Project Background

- Sites in question found on Bureau of Land Management lands
 - ◆ Sonoran Desert National Monument
 - Created by presidential proclamation (2001)
 - Cultural Resources: petroglyphs & national historic trails

- Preliminary Assessment & Site Inspection [CERCLA]

- Method of Contamination: Recreational Target Shooting

- Contaminants of Concern
 - ◆ Lead, Arsenic, Antimony, Copper, Zinc, Tin

- Human & Ecological Risk Assessment



Trash at Site [2]

Stakeholders

- Bureau of Land Management
- Recreational Shooter
- Other Park Patrons
- Remediation Workers

Client

- Bureau Of Land Management:
Matt Plis, Eric Zielske, Bill Harris

Technical Advisor

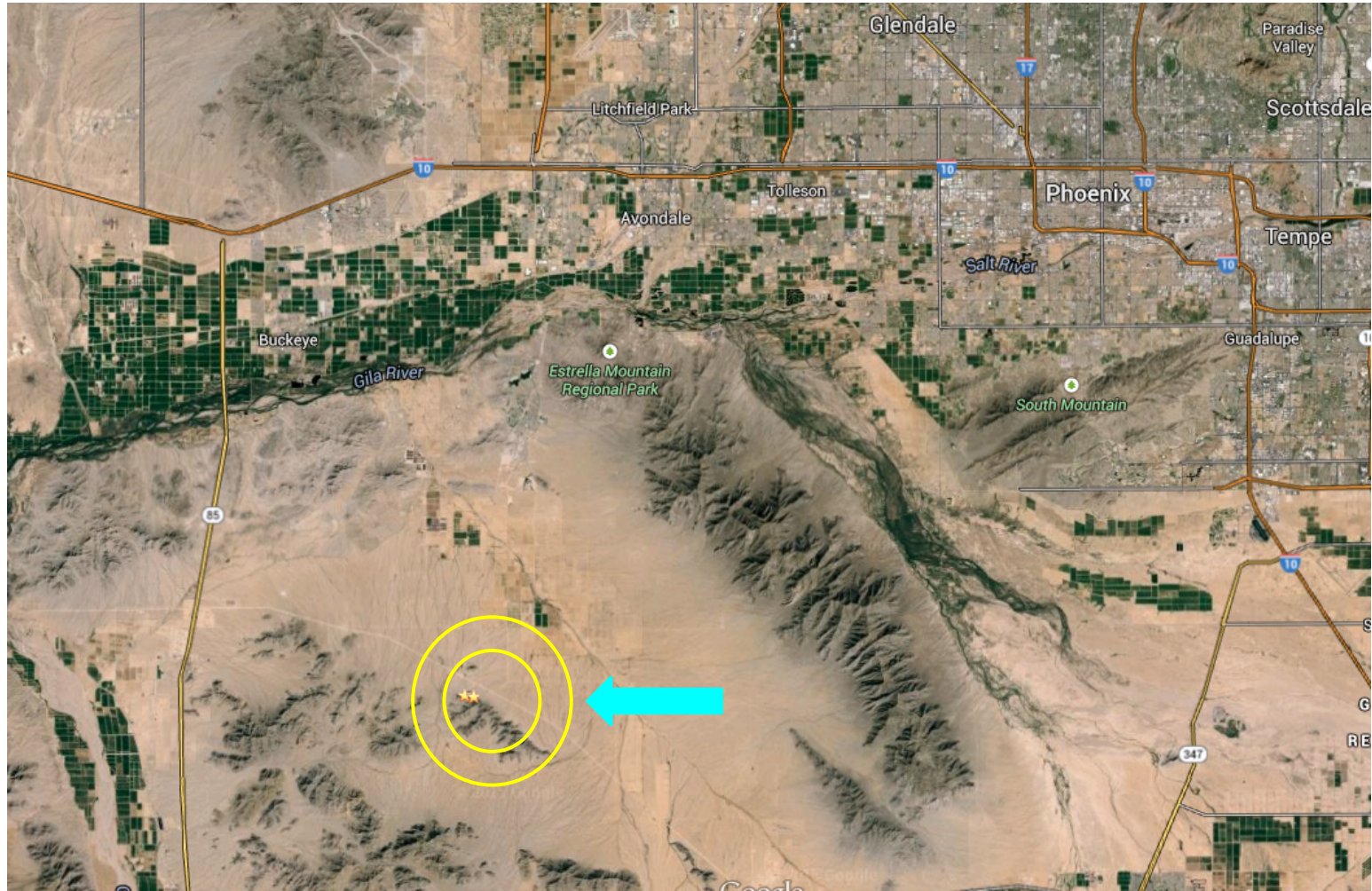
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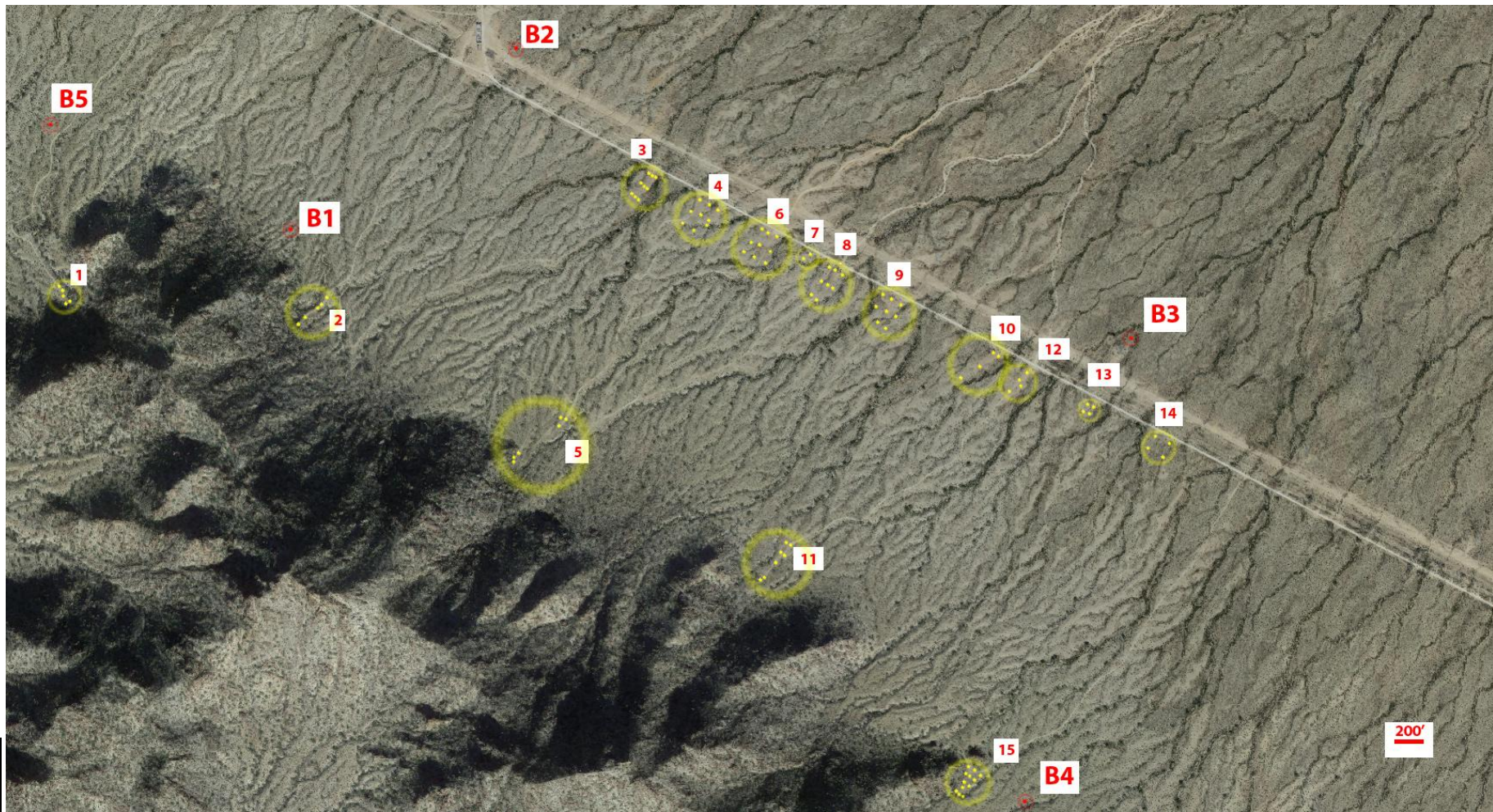
Park Sign [2]



Site Overview



Site Overview



Field Work - Sample Collection

- Road Sites: Grid Approach
- Hill Sites: Hotspot & Grid Approach
- Soil of Interest: Surface Soil



Decontamination Procedure [2]



Sample Collection [2]



Sample Collection and Decontamination [2]



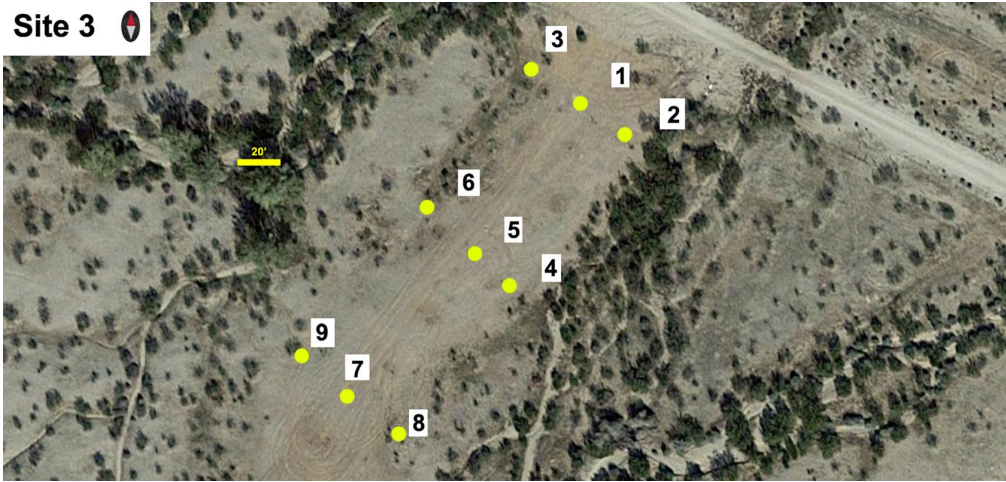
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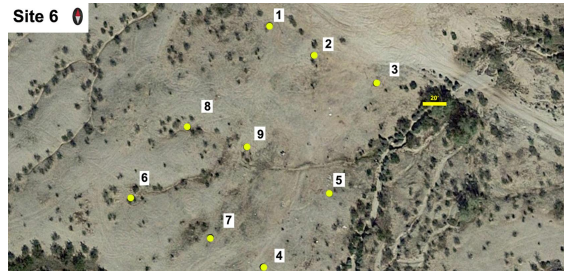
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Road Sites

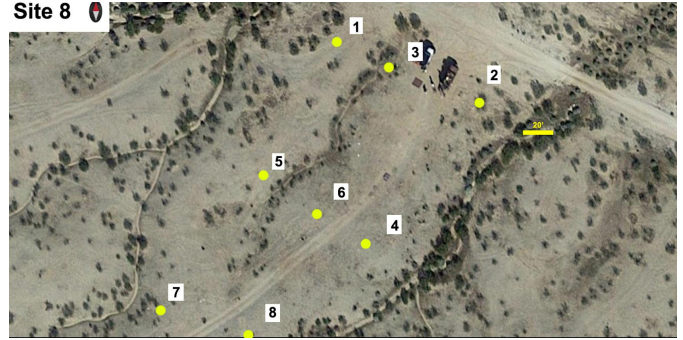
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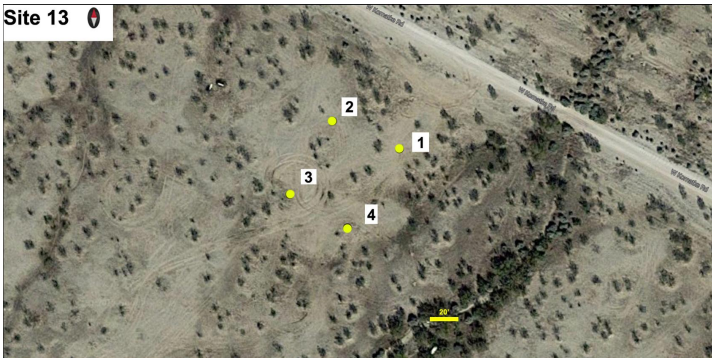
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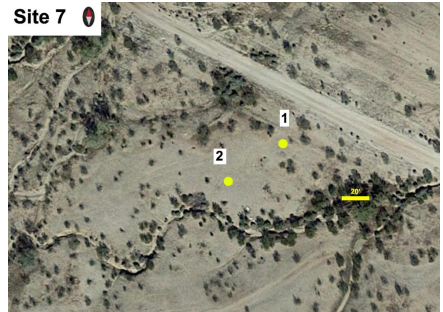
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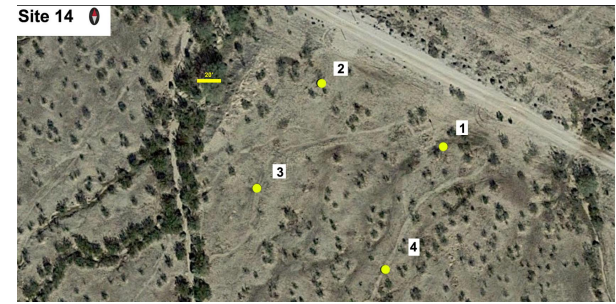
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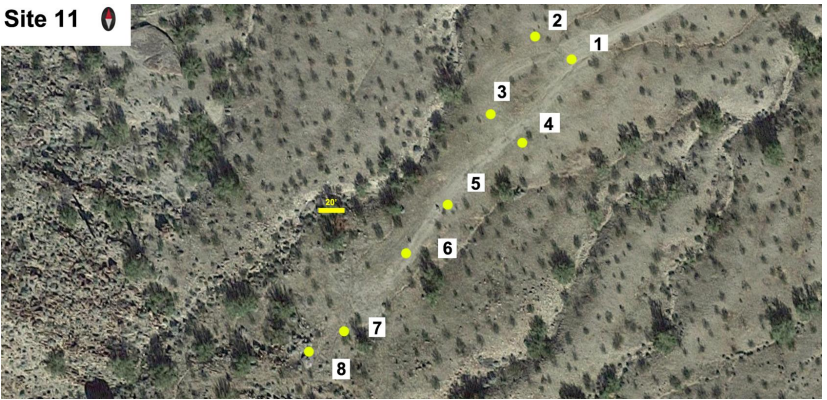
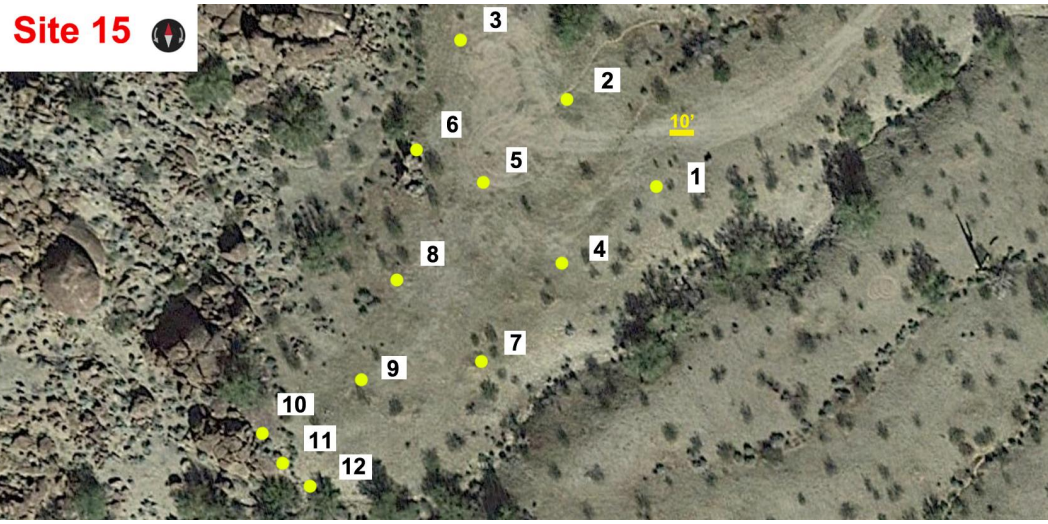
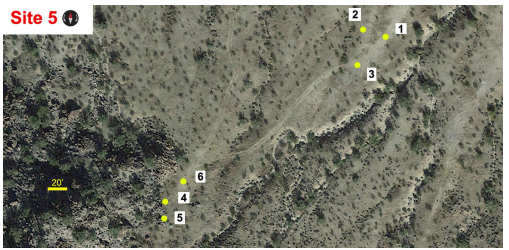
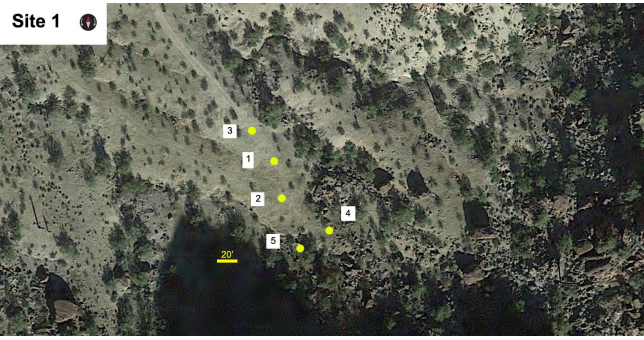
Site 7



Site 14



Hill Sites



Data Analysis

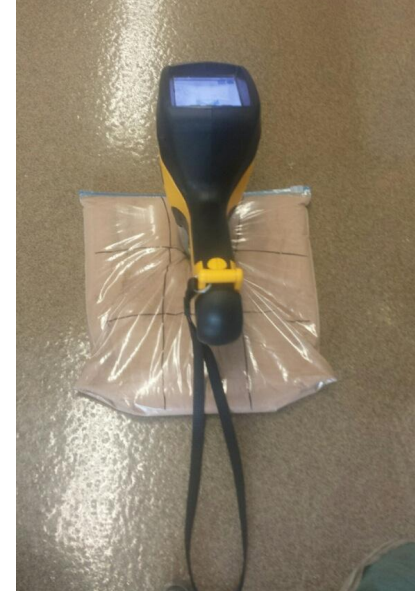
X-Ray Fluorescence

- 97 site samples and 5 background samples
- Grid method using an olympic average for each COC

Location	Contaminants of Concern (ppm)		
	Antimony	Arsenic	Lead
S15-1	ND	8	96
S15-2	ND	5	59
S15-3	ND	ND	309
S15-4	ND	5	215
S15-5	22	7	901
S15-6	77	12	4422
S15-7	ND	9	218
S15-8	ND	10	915
S15-9	ND	5	169
S15-10	52	ND	4466
S15-11	ND	7	64
S15-12	21	ND	455

Compound	Residential (ppm)	Non-Residential (ppm)
Antimony	21	410
Arsenic	10	10
Lead	400	800

Compound	Non-Detect Limit (ppm)
Antimony (Sb)	<20
Arsenic (As)	<5
Lead (Pb)	<5

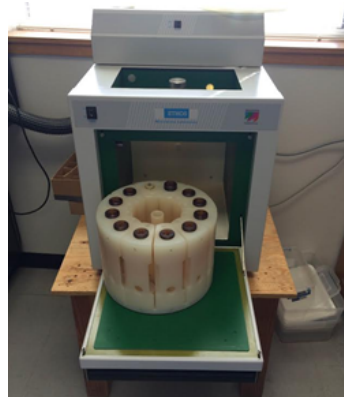


XRF testing [3]

Data Analysis

Flame Atomic Absorption

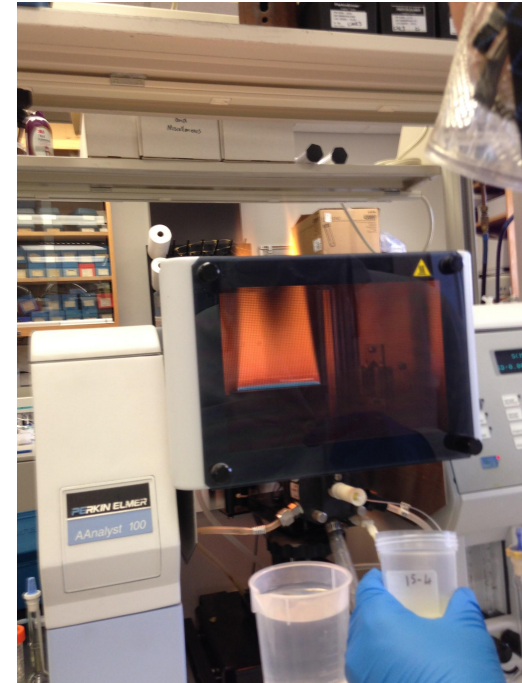
- 33 samples tested
- EPA Method 3050B
 - ◆ 5g of sample
 - ◆ 10 mL of nitric acid
 - ◆ 2 mL of hydrogen peroxide
- Microwave Digester
 - ◆ Heat sample to 95 C
- Filter Samples



Digestion of Samples [3]



Filtration of Samples [3]



Flame Atomic Absorption [3]

Data Analysis

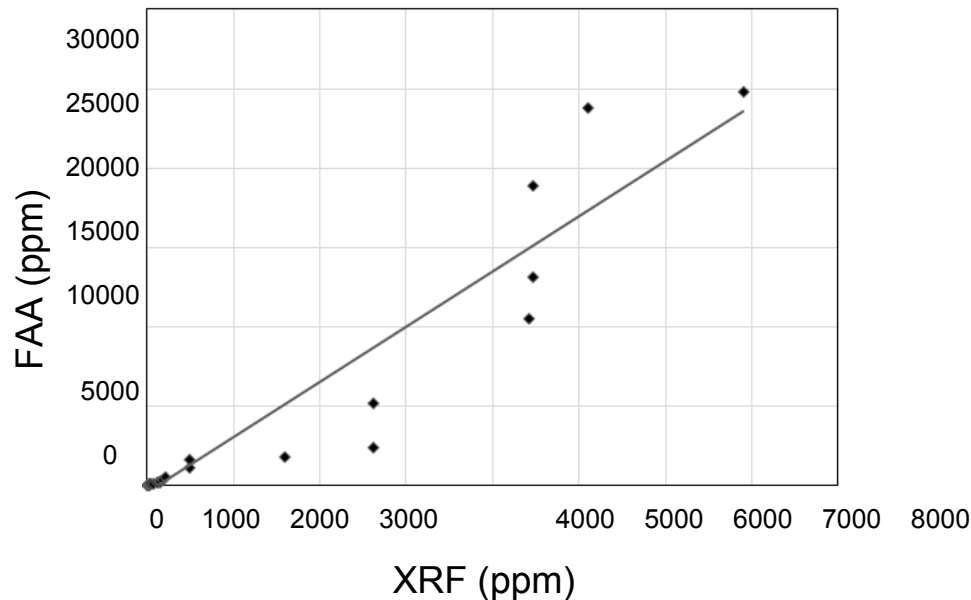
Data Correlation

Sample ID	FAA (ppm)	XRF (ppm)
B-1	53.1	42.1
B-2	16.8	20.7
B-3	16.0	20.7
B-4	14.9	20.0
B-5	13.9	17.6
1-3A	24.0	26.7
1-3B	28.9	26.7
1-4A	1584.6	488.4
1-4B	96.6	488.4
2-4A	2384.9	2621.1
2-4B	1819.5	2621.1
2-5	34088.3	22290.0
5-3	5186.0	1595.7
5-5	23790.2	6906.5
6-3	1083.3	183.0
6-9	74.8	36.7

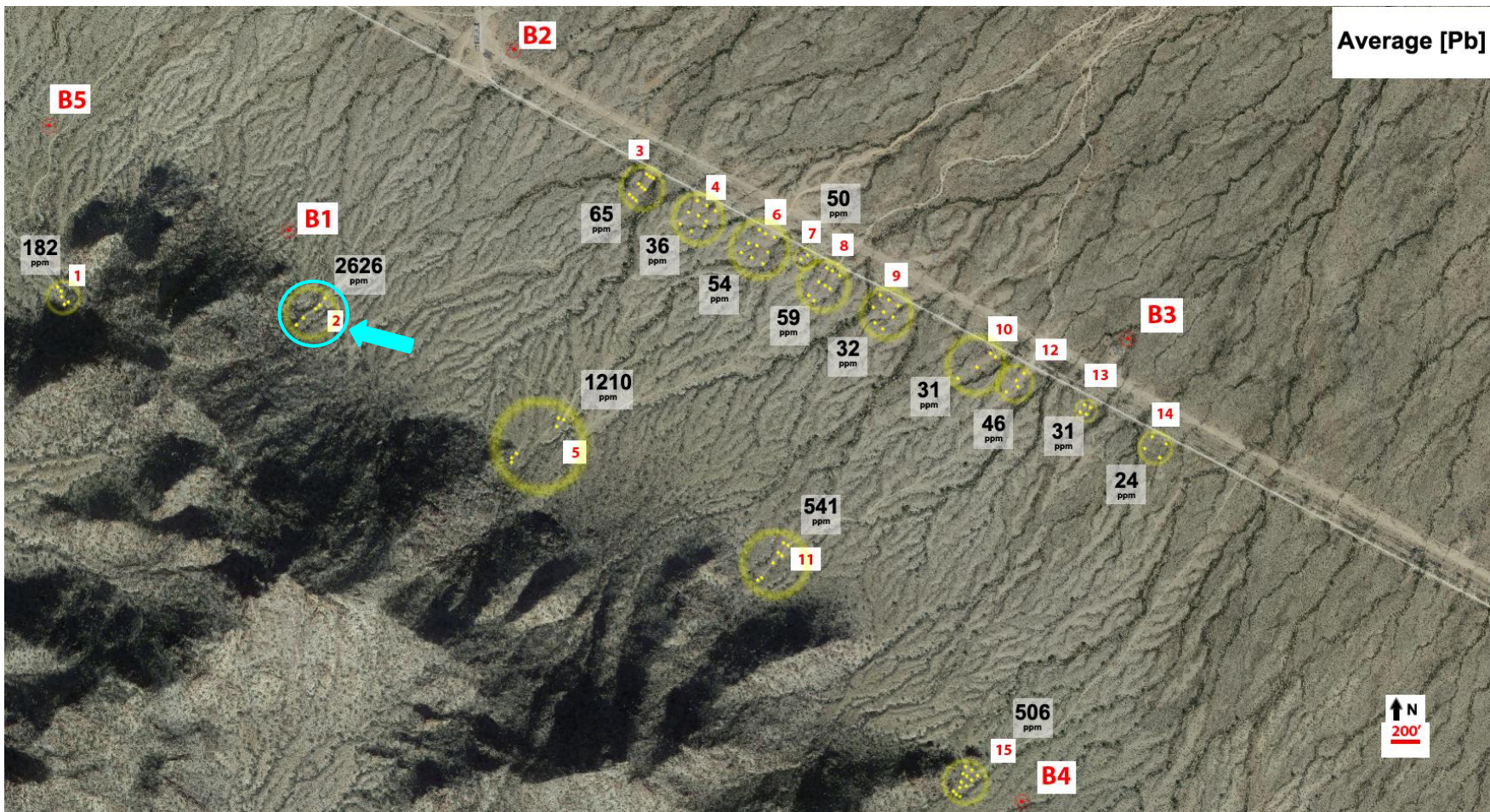
Correlation		
	FAA	XRF
FAA	1	
XRF	0.88	1

Linear Regression

$$y = 3.479x - 466.12$$
$$R^2 = 0.9032$$



Results - Site 2

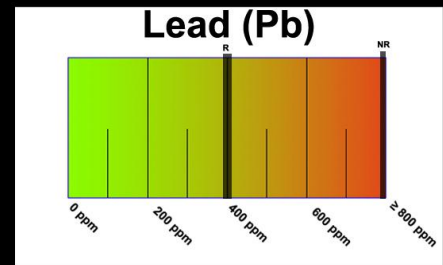


Results - Site 2 [Pb]

Site 2 



Location	Contaminants of Concern (ppm)					
	Sb ^{*1}	As ^{*2}	Cu	Pb	Sn ^{*3}	Zn
S2-1	ND	7.86	31.00	31.70	ND	84.29
S2-2	ND	ND	40.29	223.94	ND	71.00
S2-3	35.86	ND	84.86	888.88	ND	102.71
S2-4	60.14	ND	64.71	1272.69	ND	116.00
S2-5	299.29	36.29	372.57	10715.71	24.43	137.29
*1	the non-detect limit for Antimony is 19 (mg/kg)					
*2	the non-detect limit for Arsenic is 4 (mg/kg)					
*3	the non-detect limit for Tin is 19 (mg/kg)					







Results - Site 2 [As]

Site 2 



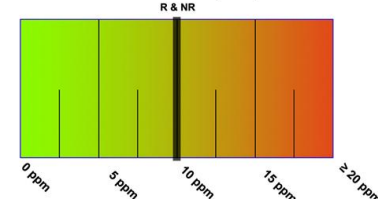
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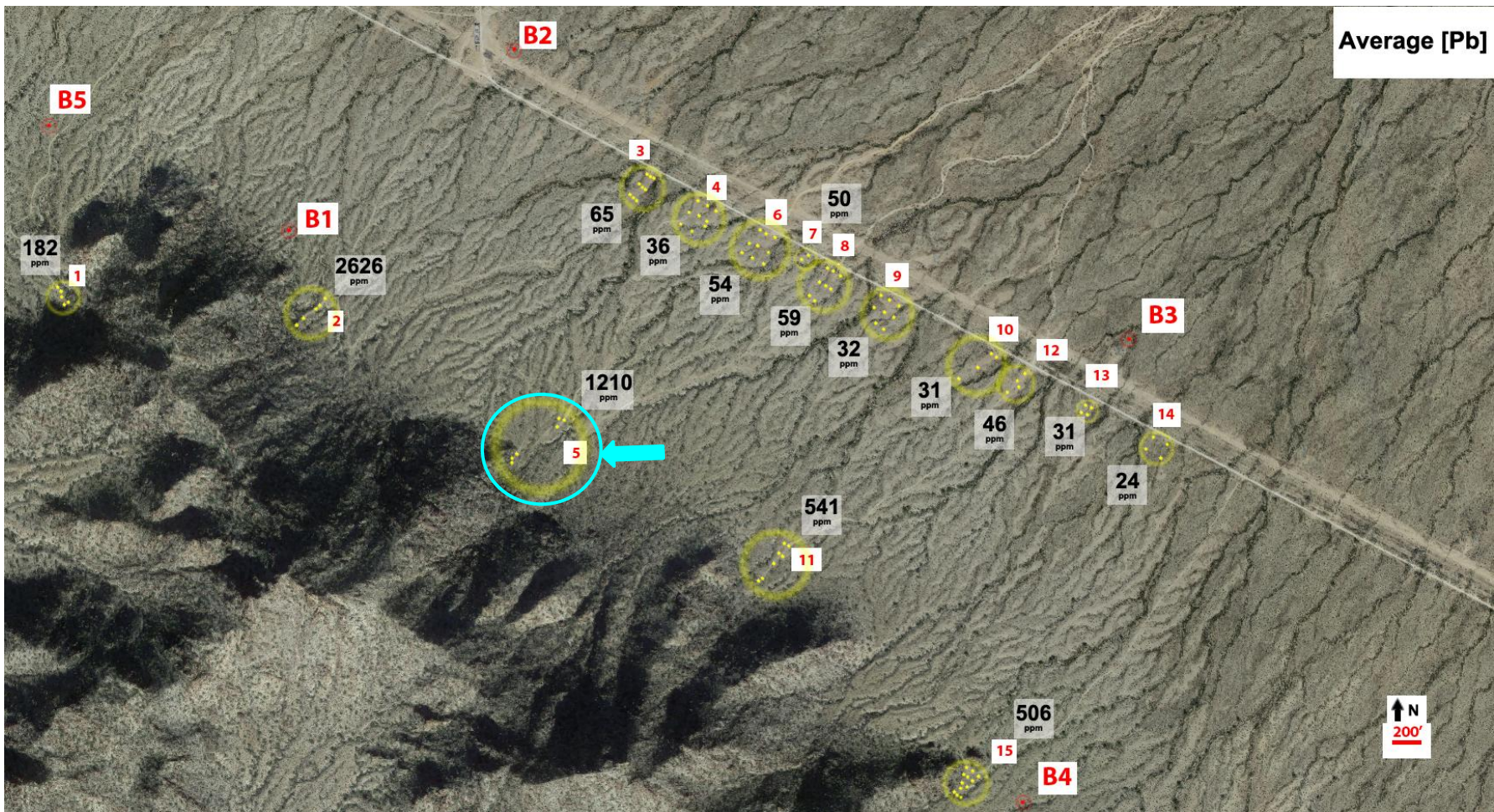
*2 the non-detect limit for Arsenic is 4 (mg/kg)

*3 the non-detect limit for Tin is 19 (mg/kg)

Arsenic (As)

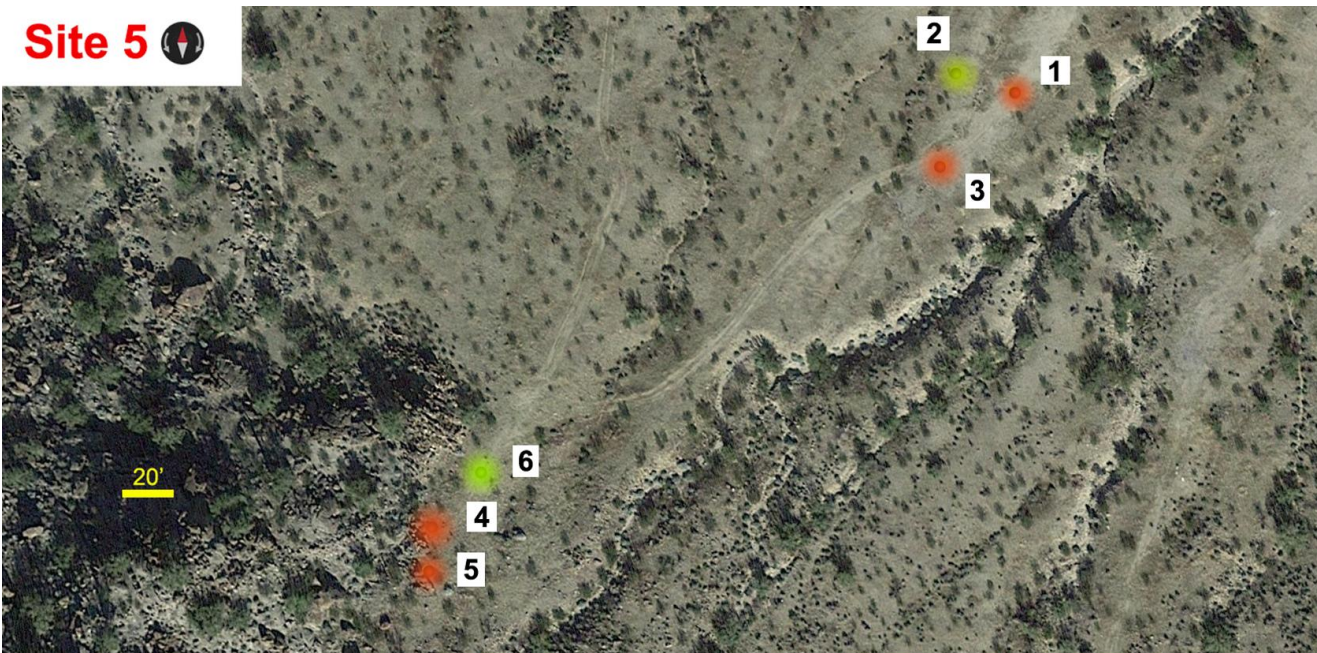


Results - Site 5



Results - Site 5 [Pb]

Site 5 

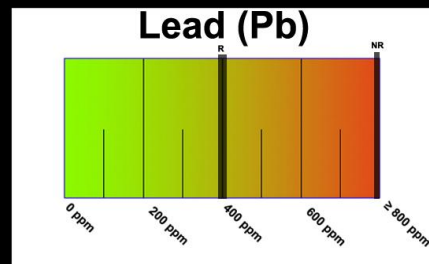


Location	Contaminants of Concern (ppm)					
	Sb ^{*1}	As ^{*2}	Cu	Pb	Sn ^{*3}	Zn
S5-1	20.67	ND	56.00	493.26	ND	78.17
S5-2	ND	ND	37.50	241.52	ND	65.17
S5-3	60.00	ND	60.33	780.36	ND	81.50
S5-4	89.00	ND	65.83	2314.04	ND	38.50
S5-5	132.83	ND	108.83	3330.09	34.50	99.50
S5-6	22.17	ND	28.33	105.17	ND	56.33

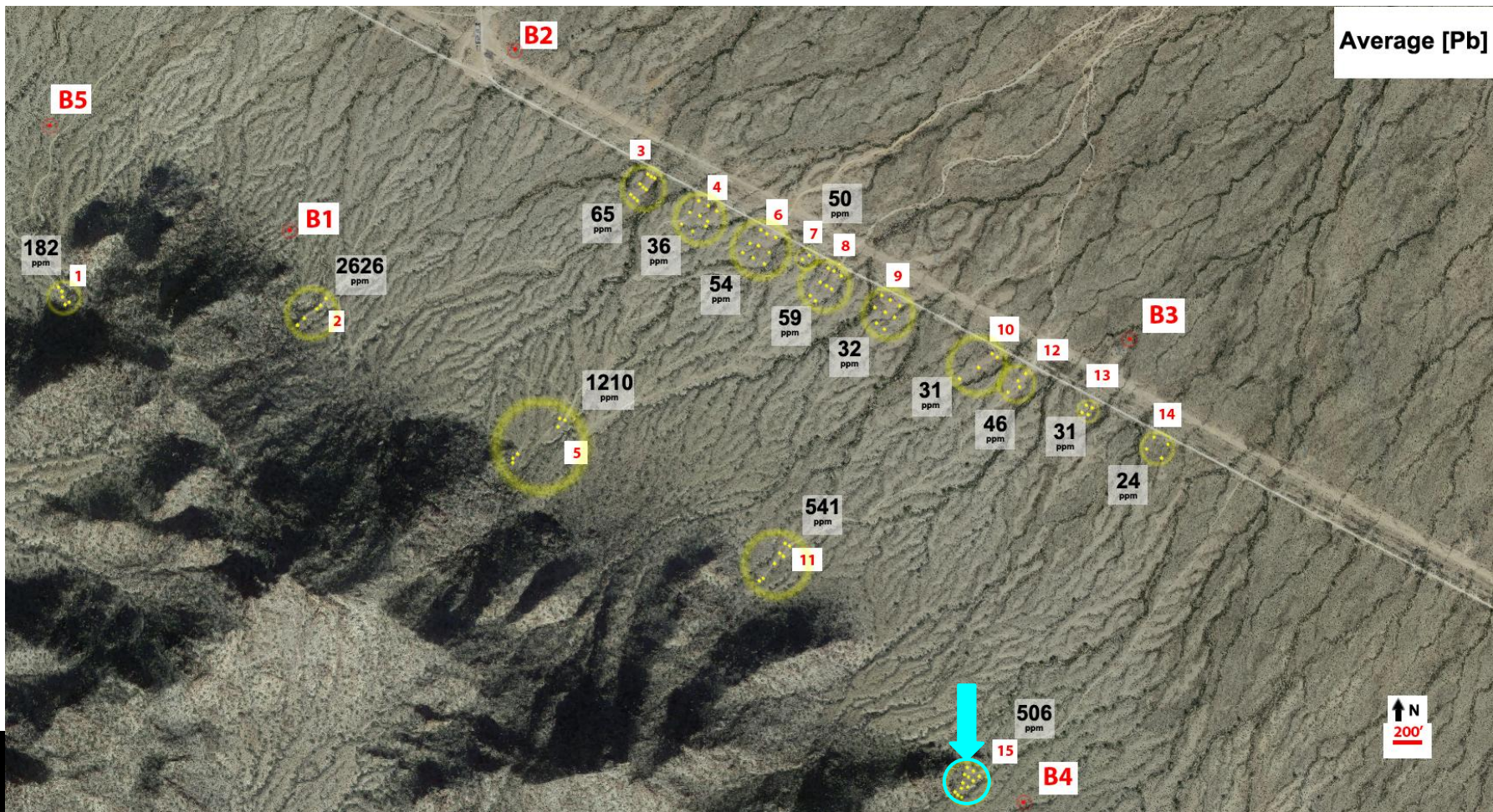
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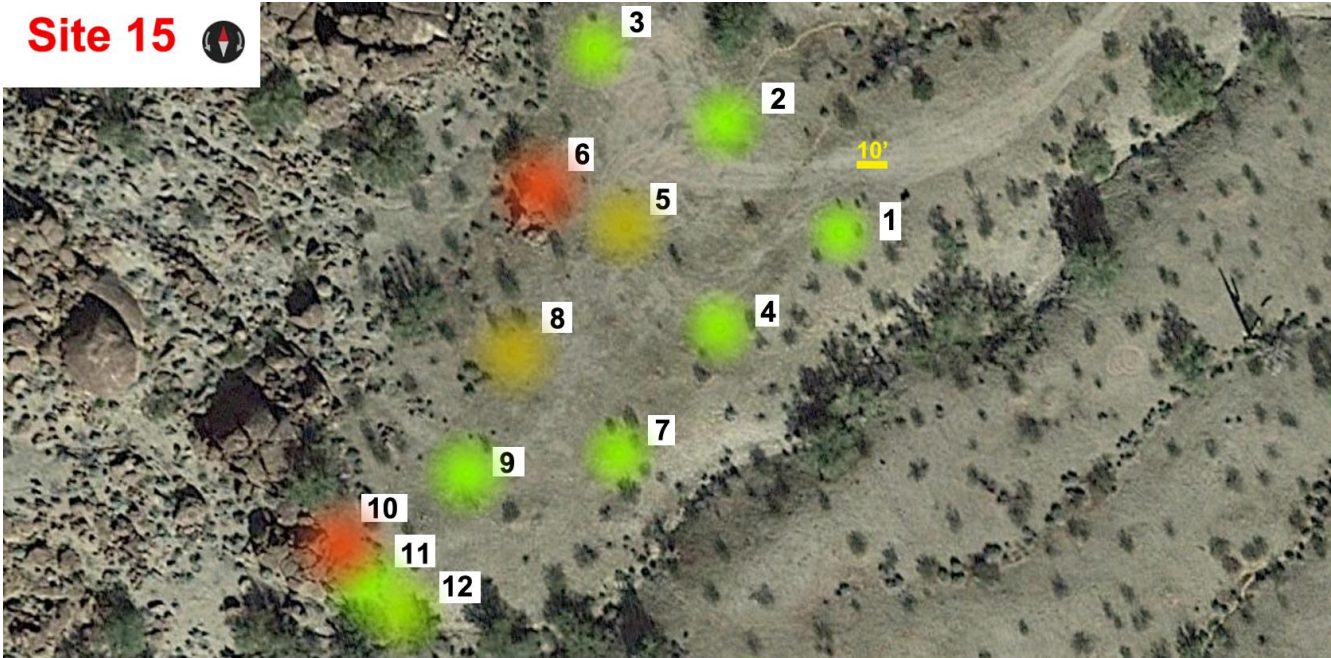


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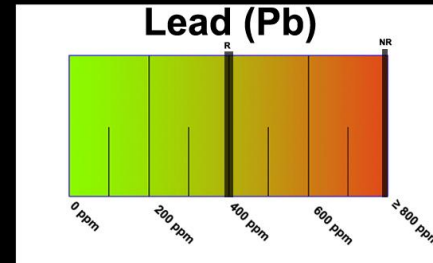


Results - Site 15 [Pb]

Site 15 



Location	Contaminants of Concern (ppm)					
	Sb ⁺³	As ⁺³	Cu	Pb	Sn ⁺²	Zn
Site 15						
S15-1	ND	8.14	36.43	60.23	ND	71.00
S15-2	ND	4.86	35.71	42.60	ND	71.43
S15-3	ND	ND	37.57	162.83	ND	108.57
S15-4	ND	4.86	33.14	117.50	ND	71.71
S15-5	22.29	6.71	46.43	446.78	ND	113.57
S15-6	76.71	12.14	96.43	2137.28	ND	231.00
S15-7	ND	8.71	34.43	118.80	ND	69.00
S15-8	ND	10.00	49.43	453.50	ND	81.71
S15-9	ND	5.14	30.71	95.28	ND	69.00
S15-10	52.29	ND	106.57	2158.61	ND	104.57
S15-11	ND	6.71	34.57	44.80	ND	72.86
S15-12	20.57	ND	31.14	232.72	ND	73.29
*1	the non-detect limit for Antimony is 19 (mg/kg)					
*2	the non-detect limit for Arsenic is 4 (mg/kg)					
*3	the non-detect limit for Tin is 19 (mg/kg)					



Results - Risk Assessment Scenarios

3 Different Risk Scenarios

- Adult volunteer worker
- Adult shooter
- Child

Mean = 64 ppm

90% “max” = 1237 ppm

What it looked at

- Soil ingestion rate
- Baseline blood lead level
- Exposure frequency



Results - Risk Assessment Scenarios

National Health And Nutrition Examination Survey Adult Risk Model

		Adult Shooter		Adult Volunteer	
	Units	90% max	Mean	90% max	Mean
Soil Lead Concentration	ppm	1237	64	1237	64
Exposure Frequency	days/yr	22	22	8	8
Averaging Time	days/yr	365	365	365	365
Blood Level Concentration	ug/dL	2.4	1.5	1.8	1.5

The Integrated Exposure Uptake Biokinetic Child Risk Model

Year	Soil+Dust (µg/day)	Total (µg/day)	Blood (µg/dL)
.5-1	1.291	2.795	1.5
1-2	2.045	3.992	1.7
2-3	2.053	4.158	1.6
3-4	2.063	4.156	1.5
4-5	1.538	3.639	1.3
5-6	1.387	3.628	1.1
6-7	1.312	3.659	1.0

Ecosystem - Fauna

- Rodents:
 - ◆ Cactus Mouse
 - ◆ Arizona Cotton Rat

- Raptors:
 - ◆ Horned Owl
 - ◆ Prairie Falcon
 - ◆ Common Barn Owl

- Bighorn Sheep

- Desert Tortoise

- Toxic Limit: 2-8 PPM



Cactus Mouse [5]



Bighorn Sheep [7]



Horned Owl [6]

Ecosystem - Flora

- Cactus:
 - ◆ Saguaro
- Shrubs:
 - ◆ Bur Sage
- Sub Trees:
 - ◆ Ocotillo
 - ◆ Palo Verde
- Toxic Limit: 500-1000 PPM



Saguaro Cactus [8]



Bur Sage [9]



Palo Verde [10]



Ocotillo [11]

Site Recommendation

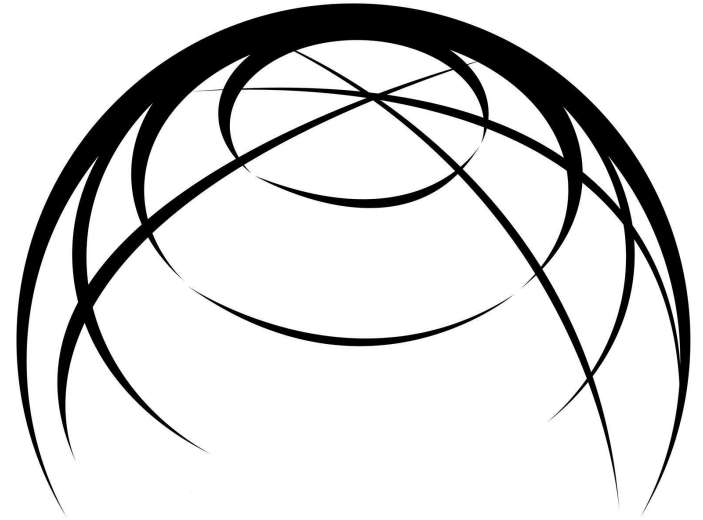
- Further investigation of hill sites
- Further investigation of wash contamination
- Identification of other sites



Field Sampling [2]

Broader Impacts

- Future site closures
- Investigation of other sites
- Increased restrictions at sites
- Promote site cleanup
- Improve shooter safety



[12]

Labor & Cost

Cost Categories	Classification	Hours	Rate \$/hr	Cost
1.0 Personnel	SENG	128	100	\$12,800.00
	ENG1	115	80	\$9,200.00
	ENG2	107	80	\$8,560.00
	LT	63	64	\$4,032.00
2.0 Travel	Mileage	348	\$.50/mi	\$174.00
	Hotel	2 Rooms	\$141	\$282.00
	Food	5 People	\$45/person	\$225.00
3.0 Subcontract	Lab Work			\$136.00
4.0 Total				\$27,705.00

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- [6] Owl
- [7] Sheep
- [8] Saguaro
- [9] Bur Sage
- [10] Palo Verde
- [11] Ocotillo
- [12] Globe