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Dealing with Unexpected Petroleum in Excavations Case Studies from the Village of Heyworth





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About the Village of Heyworth

HEYWORTH

- Population of 2850
 - Village President Larry Mowery
- Water System Average Consumption of 330,000 Gallons
 - Water Plant replaced in 2002
 - 500,000 gallons in elevated storage
- Waste Water System Rated for 400,000 GPD
- Roughly 15 Miles of Street Centerline
- Located 7 Miles South of Bloomington on US-51





Abbreviations Used

- REC Recognized Environmental Condition
- UST Underground Storage Tank
- LUST Leaking Underground Storage Tank
- AST Above Ground Storage Tank
- PCS Petroleum Contaminated Soil
- IEMA Illinois Emergency Management Agency
- OSFM Office of the State Fire Marshall





Purpose of the Presentation

- 3 Case Studies on Petroleum in Utility Excavations
 - Buchanan Street
 - Vine Street (North)
 - Vine Street (South)
- How to Prepare and Respond when it happens to you.
- Lessons Learned





The Buchanan Street Reconstruction project was a 3 block complete reconstruction.

- Construct new Storm Sewer
- Correct Pavement Grades, Widen Pavement, Add on-street Parking
- Water main was replaced on 2 blocks of the section a few years ago.
- A simple project.....



Until this manhole was found...... and opened.....





Opening the manhole revealed sludge and a strong odor of petroleum.

- Now what to do.....
- Lets dig around in and see what we have......





Now we have a hole, ground water, petroleum odor, oil slicks, and a PVC water main nearby.

- Need to replace PVC Water main with Ductile Iron Pipe and Petroleum Resistant Gaskets – why?
- Title 35 Subpart F 653.119 f) Water mains and water service lines shall be protected against entrance of hydrocarbons through diffusion through any material used in construction of the line.
 - Permit from IEPA
 - \$\$\$\$\$ (Special Gaskets cost almost as much as a stick of pipe.)
 - Village self-constructed this portion roughly 300' of 10 year old water main replaced raises the question – why wasn't this found when the water main was installed.





OK – Water main is replaced, what do we do with the Dirt? Oh and we have a storm sewer to install.

- Excavated material tested and landfilled
 - Around storm sewer and we probably could have left it in place, but for public perception
- Because of uncertainty air testers were used in the trenches to test levels to make sure they were safe for entry
- Ground Water pumped and removed





Hey wait – where did this all come from

- Before the project started databases were reviewed No documented tanks for 2 blocks
- No suspect land uses
- Hey look A tank!!!!!



The End Result

- Additional Project Costs of Almost \$100,000
- Project Delays of 3-4 Weeks
- Village obtained "Election Not to Proceed as Operator Letter" No Obligation to clean up due to voluntary removal / cleanup.



What Happened?

- Water Main Break on State Highway.
- Replacement Main had been installed several years ago, but services were never transferred.
- Simple task Kill the main and transfer services.
- Except what is that smell, Dang here we go again.



What Next

- This was next to an old gas station
- Call IEPA request files, what are we dealing with.
- Suspect Soil was set aside for Testing
- Material later hauled offsite so the highway could be opened.





Test results

- Levels were safe for residential reuse
 - Odor strength is not a good indicator
- Public perception problems
- Liabilities????
 - Site was previously given a 4(y) closure letter
 - IDOT jurisdiction
 - Ongoing concerns IDOT storm sewer has petroleum Odor after rain events

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Wow – two events in short order what should we do?

• Map of all known UST's and Incidents against planned future work



- Trying to correct a problem of a water main not in an easement.
- Need to abandon the water main and relocate a service into an easement to allow for business expansion.
- Location of water service was also the location of AST's
- Guess what we found.....





- Tests Run on Materials found
- Change in Water Service Materials
- Material Placed back in the hole, owner was notified of the problem.







PCS Discovery

- Call IEMA 217-782-7860
- Special Requirements for Being in the Trench (OSHA)
 - Work Safety and Comfort should be first concern
 - YOU are responsible for your safety and that of your co-workers!
 - PCS causes Headaches and Nausea
 - If short term get a high velocity fan, blow air into trench/work area
 - If you are going to use a respirator:
 - 40 Hr Trained
 - Fit Test for Respirator
 - Air Testing for O2, Explosive Vapors, Organic Vapors (Fan can solve this need)



PCS Disposal

- Place back in the Trench
- Testing requirements based on landfill and disposal method.
 - Landfill
 - Quick
 - Effective
 - Moderate to High Priced \$25 \$150 Ton
 - Works best for Low Volumes of Soil
 - Landfarm
 - Soil must stay on site
 - Best choice if you have space
 - Basically wait for contaminates to evaporate
 - If you are within 100 miles of IA check prices might be cheaper to haul it out of state





PCS Disposal – Groundwater Disposal

- Vacuum Truck haul offsite
- Send to Sanitary Sewer Plant
 - Depends on Community
 - Depends on their NPDES Permit
- Onsite Treatment system
- NPDES Permit and direct discharge
- Benzene is usually the target chemical
 - 5ppb is the target level
 - 5ppb = $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp of benzene in a swimming pool





UST Discovery

- Call IEMA 217-782-7860
- Call OFSM 217-785-1020



- If it is an Orphan (Unregistered Tank) you can leave it, may be liability issues.
 Or
- Get it registered
- Get a removal permit (OSFM)
- Get a certified removal assessor and the OSFM to witness
- Tank must be cleaned and rendered unusable



Cost Recovery

- IL LUST Program Brian Bower 217-782-3335
- Orphan Tanks in IL No Money Available
- Must have a LUST Incident Number to even get Consideration
 - Reimbursement can take a long time
 - Reimbursement may only cover 1/4 to 1/3 of the total costs
- Timelines don't typically fit a project that have been delayed due to discovery
- Sorry no Superfund money





Lessons Learned

- Do your homework run an EDR report, or have a Phase I ESA done on the project area - know what is in your area – if its not documented you wont find it this way.
- Have an action plan for handling a petroleum
 - Who makes calls?
 - What do you do with the soil?
 - What do you do with any ground water?
- Contact IEMA ASAP
 - You won't have all the answers, you may not have many answers.
 - Have IEMA connect you with IEPA Emergency Response if needed.
 - If other state agencies need to be notified make sure you tell the IEMA operator
- Contact OSFM once a tank is found.
 - do not touch the tank without the OSFM present and a certified removal specialist.
- Paperwork
 - When a tank is found you have certain timelines to make reports to IEPA
 - If you are not the owner you can ignore (maybe) or elect not to proceed as an operator, you can remove without incurring liability for contamination.
- Keep good records you will get FOIA's on this stuff.
- Have a Plan



THANK YOU – ANY QUESTIONS?



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