Communicating Advanced Geophysical Classification to Stakeholders

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- Before the first engagement with stakeholders
- At the first planning meeting
- During the course of the project
- At the conclusion of the field work



Before You Meet with Stakeholders

- Develop a basic understanding of the technology
 - you don't have to be able to solve the equations that describe the process
 - EMI data \rightarrow intrinsic parameters \rightarrow classification decision
- Make sure classification is appropriate to your site
 - this stuff is great and works most places but not everywhere
- Make sure you have a qualified contractor



Training Resources

- USACE Training
- ITRC "Tech Reg" Guidance Document & Internet-based
 Training
- ESTCP Training Resources



At the First Planning Meeting

- There is a big change here but it may not be what you think
 - we've always left metal in the ground
 - missed detections due to obstructions
 - anomalies below threshold
 - we just didn't know much about that metal
- Using classification we know a lot about the items we leave in the ground
 - and we have put quality systems in place to prove it

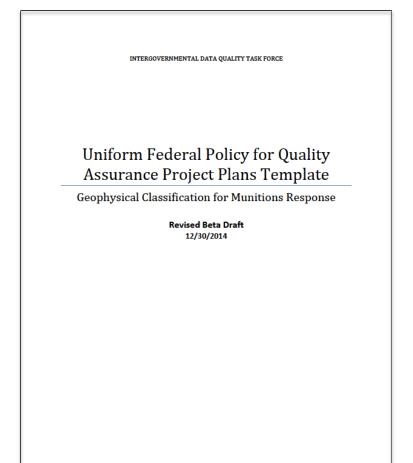


At the First Planning Meeting

- Don't exaggerate the capabilities of classification
 - it's a really cool technology
 - there really are no silver bullets
- Seek buy-in on the remedial action objectives
 - defined and quantitative RAOs make classification much easier
 - should have been spelled out in the DD or ROD



At the First Planning Meeting



- Be ready with a thoughtfully-developed QAPP
- This is the cornerstone of the QC/QA process and should enable all team members to have confidence in the project results



During the Course of the Project

- Enforce the QC reporting schedule specified in the QAPP and make sure the QA Geophysicist stays up to date
- Stakeholder confidence is increased by
 - early identification of QC issues
 - careful and complete root cause analyses
 - prompt implementation of any required corrective actions



Example Project Documentation

- Surface Clearance Memo
- IVS Tech Memo
- Weekly QC Reports throughout the field work
- Anomaly Selection Tech Memo
- Intrusive Investigation Report
- Final Analysis Report and Justification for Stop Dig Point



Surface Clearance Memo

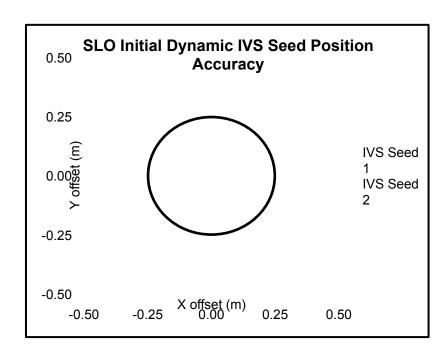
- Was everything found consistent with the CSM?
- Is there anything the analysts need to know?

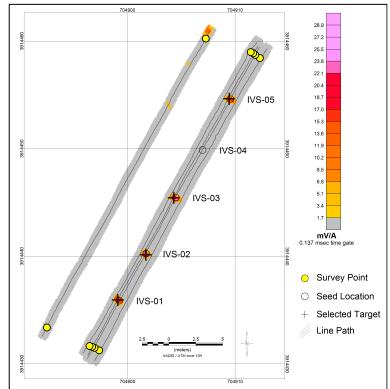
CSM	Evidence Found in Surface Sweep
37-mm projectile	Y
2.36-in rocket	Y
60-mm mortar	Y
75-mm projectile	Y
81-mm mortar	Ν
3-in stokes mortar	Y
Unexpected munition	Ν



IVS Tech Memo

 Is the Sensor Functioning Properly and Ready to Collect Data?

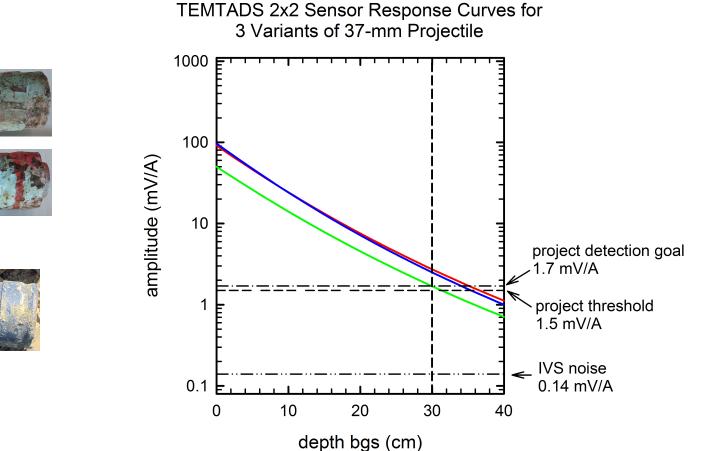






IVS Tech Memo

• Are the remedial objectives achievable?



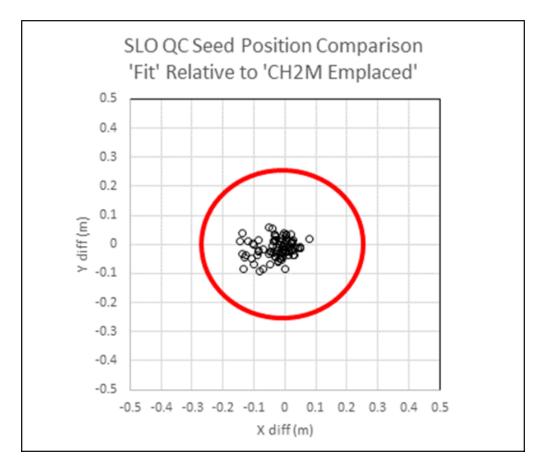






Anomaly Selection Tech Memo

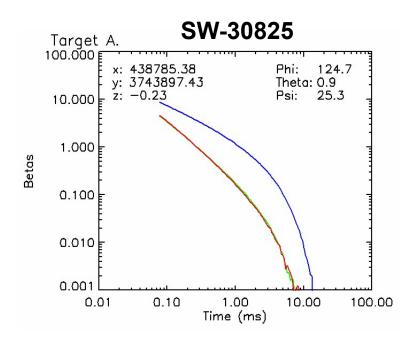
• Were all the blind seeds detected within spec?





Intrusive Investigation Report

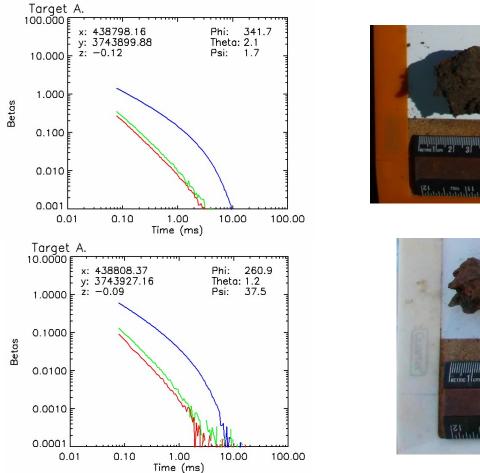
• Were all recovered items consistent with analyst's predictions?







Intrusive Investigation Report









What We Are Doing to Facilitate This

- Develop a set of standard QC and QA plots in UX-Analyze
- Work hard at the QC interface between data collection and data analysis
- Make sure both of the above are in line with the evolving QAPP template

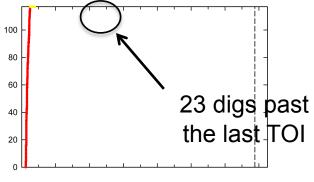


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- Verify the stop-dig threshold
 - dig past the last TOI



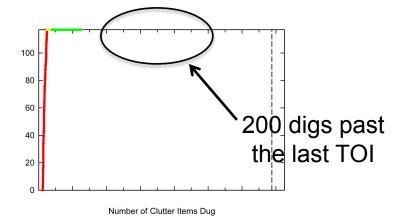
Contractor Stop Dig Threshold



Number of Clutter Items Dug



Verify The Threshold



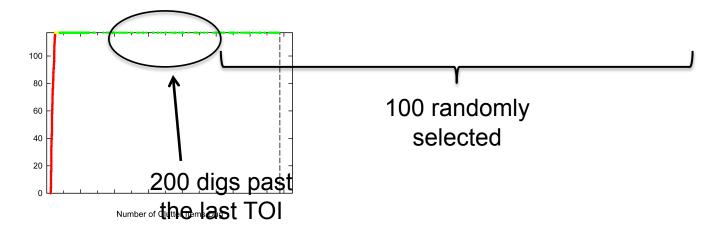


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Validate the Process





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