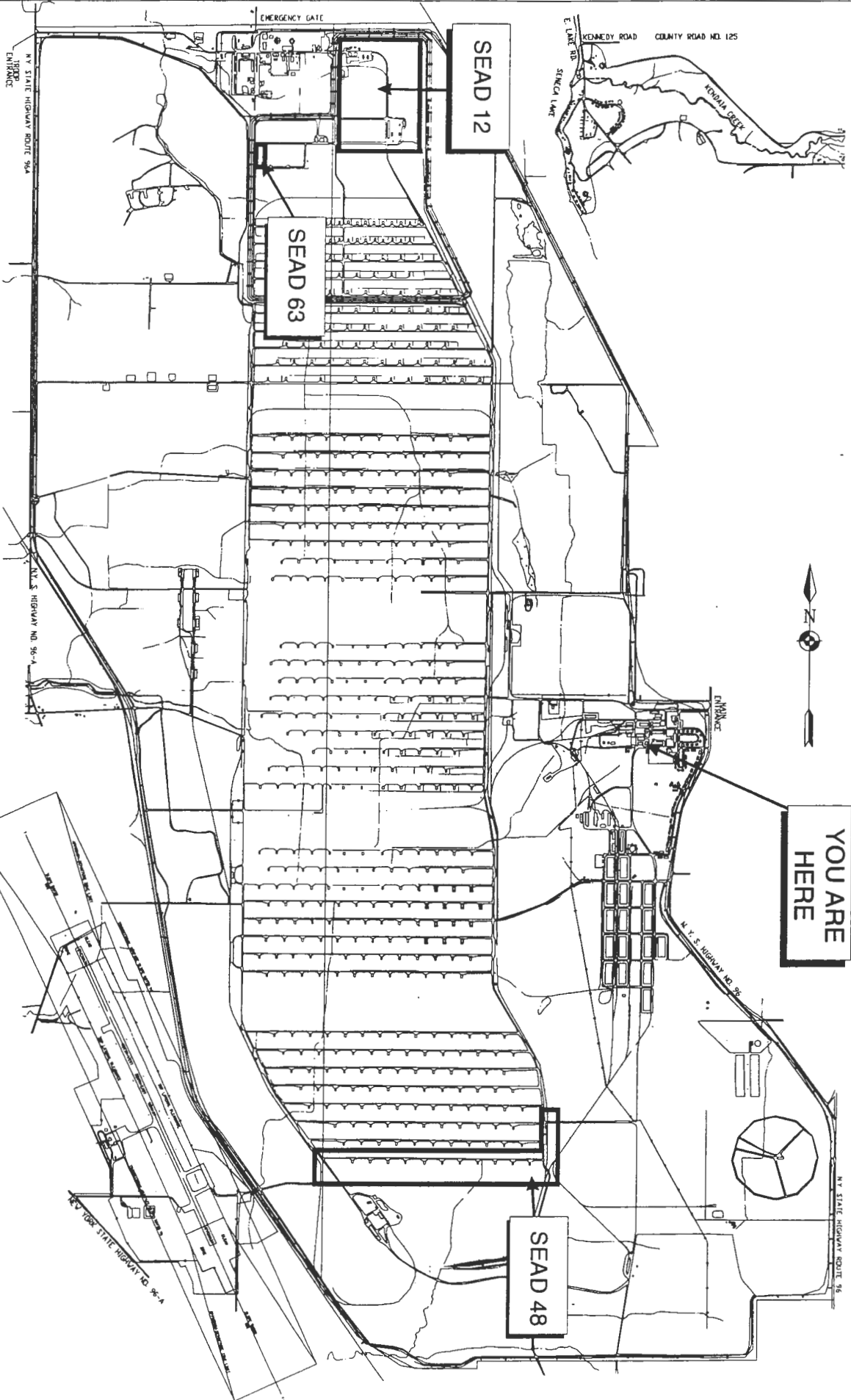


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Radiation Sites Peer Review Presentation

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Radiation Sites

Former Weapon Storage Area

- Site History
- Project Schedule
- Site Characterization
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Site History

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History

Radioactive Waste Sites

- Q Area: Built between mid 1955-1957, one of 13 complexes built
- Purpose- storage, maintenance, and operational readiness of Special Weapons stockpile
- Jointly operated by AEC, Armed Forces Special Weapons Project, and Department of the Army
- Operations transferred to DA in 1962 after a reorganization
- Three sites in Q: 12A, 12B, and 63
- Other site, SEAD 48, to be discussed later

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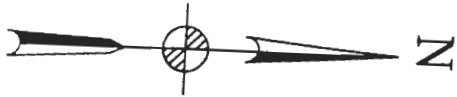
Radioactive Waste Burial Pits, SEAD 12A

- 5 Disposal pits, for laboratory and maintenance waste, vertical concrete pipes, concrete slab top
- Other pits to dispose of military components (non-radioactive waste)
- In use from late 50's through at least late 1960's
- Pits excavated in 1986, all material disposed at licensed radioactive waste landfill

History

Dry Disposal Pit and Storage Tank, SEAD 12B

- Dry disposal pits and 5000 Gallon Waste Holding Tank
- Pit: 4X6X6 for temporary storage of waste generated from Bld. 804
- Waste included swipes, gloves, butcher paper, and lead wire seals
- Tank: For fissile material in case of accidental release during maintenance. No record of ever being used
- AEC removed their waste before leaving site
- Area also excavated in 1986, no material in pits, unable to remove tank



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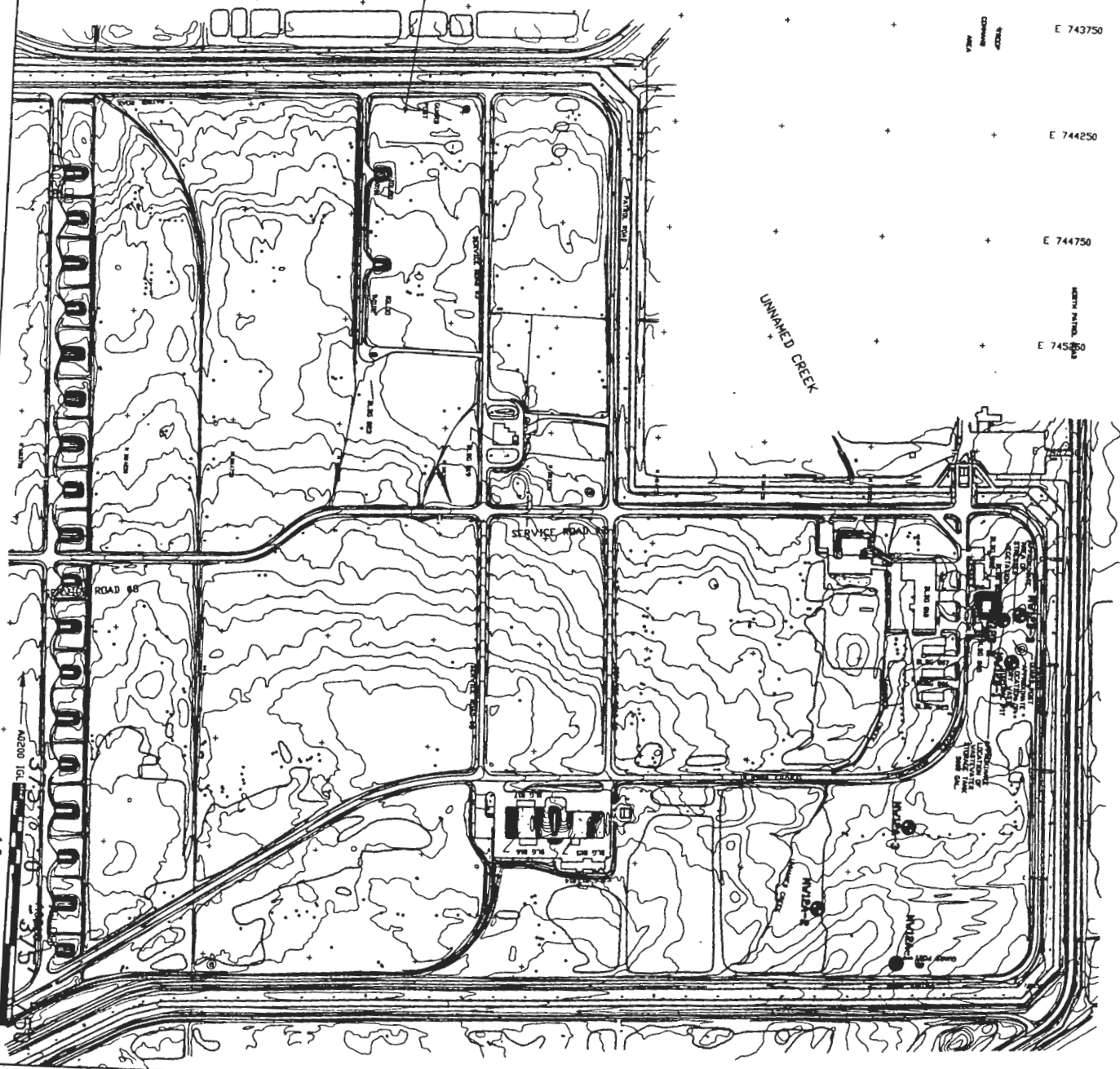
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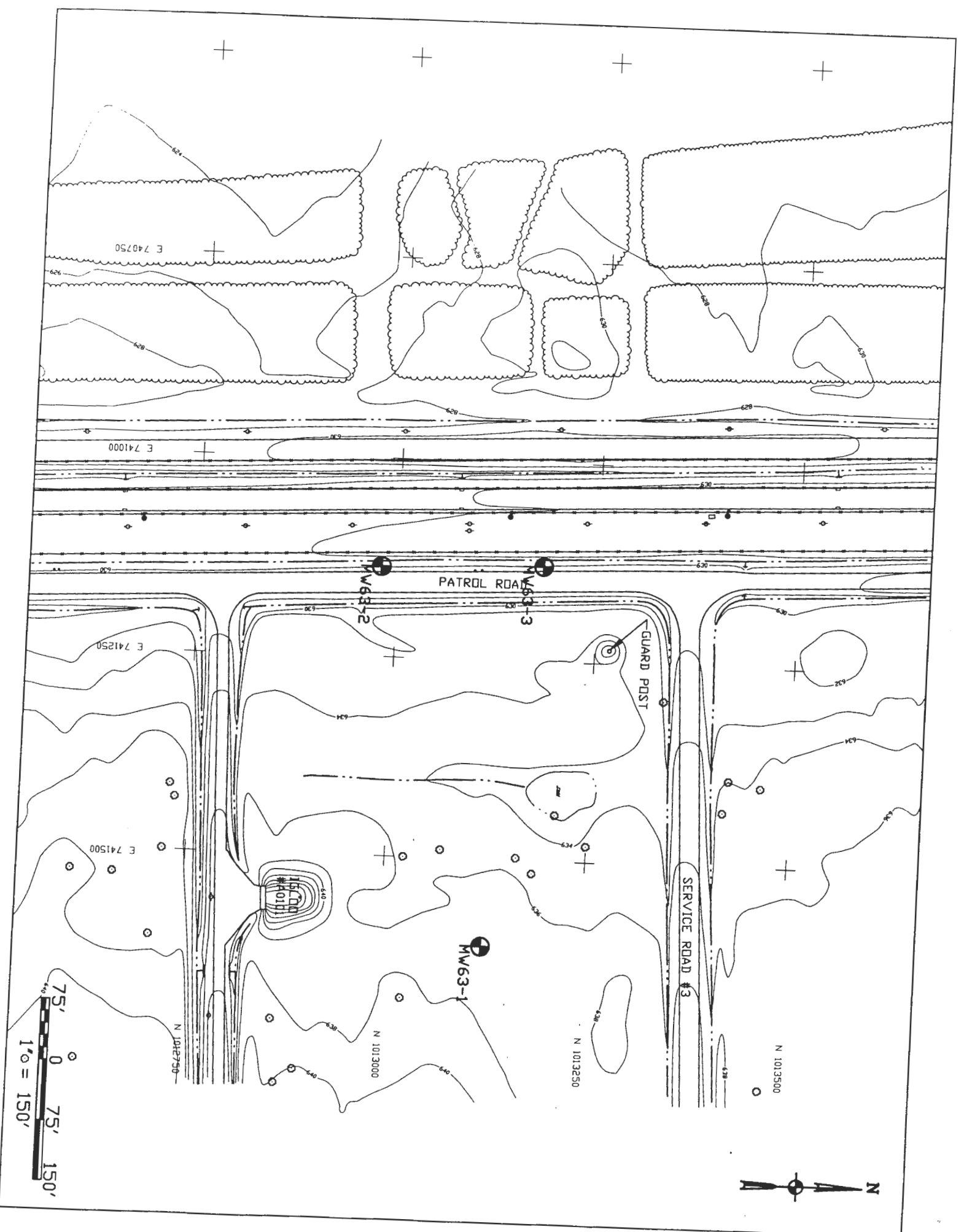
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SDP SITE PLAN

History

Miscellaneous Components Burial Site

- Miscellaneous components burial site- SEAD 63
- Located on west side of Q area
- Approximate size is 480 X 300 feet
- Used during late 50's through 60's to dispose of classified parts
- Burial site is a series of elongated trenches dug to weathered shale
- Inert materials buried in this disposal pit



Project Milestones and Schedule

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SEAD-12 Milestones

- Draft Report ESI Issued April, 1995
- Draft-Final ESI Issued Jan., 1996
- Army Recommended an RI
- Draft RI Workplan Issued Dec. 1995
- EPA Comments Recd. July, 1996
- NYSDEC Comments Recd. July, 1996

Project Schedule

Draft RI/FS Work Plan	Dec 95
Draft RI	Oct 97
Draft FS	Mar 88
Draft PRAP	July 88
Draft ROD	Jan 99

Site Characterization

Radiation Sites

Expanded Site Investigation

- Geophysical Surveys
- Test Pitting Activities
- Soil Boring and Soil Sampling Information
- Groundwater Results

ESI Geophysical Surveys

- Four 120 ft. Seismic Refraction Lines
- Water Table at 3 to 5 feet below surface
- Depth to bedrock estimated to be between 10 to 15 feet
- Forty-seven 900 ft. Electromagnetic lines (EM-31) conducted at SEAD-12a
- Ten 400 ft. EM-31 lines conducted at SEAD-12b
- Identified three disposal pit areas containing metallic objects
- Twenty 800 ft. Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) conducted at SEAD-12a
- Six 300 ft. GPR lines conducted at SEAD-12b

ESI Test Pitting Activities

- Eleven Test Pits Excavated at SEAD-12, (8 at SEAD-12A and 3 at SEAD-12B)
- TP12A-1, TP12A-2, TP12A-3 and TP12A-4 contained various unknown components
- Elevated radiological readings were obtained in 2 to 4 foot zone at TP12A-1

Soil Boring, Monitoring Wells and Surface Water/Sediment Sampling

- Seven Soil Borings Performed
- Six Monitoring Wells installed, (3 at SEAD-12A and 3 at SEAD-12B)
- Three Surface Water and Four Sediment Samples Collected

Soil Sampling Results from ESI

- Soil from TP12A-1 at 2.5 feet contained Radium 226 at 8.6 pCi/g (Including Background ~1.5 pCi/g)
- Soil from TP12A-1 at 3 feet contained Radium 226 at 24 pCi/g (Including Background ~1.5 pCi/g)
- Above the UMTRCA allowable value of 16.5 pCi/g for Subsurface Soils

ESI Groundwater Results

- Gross Alpha at MW-12A-1 was measured at 15 pCi/L
- Gross Alpha at MW-12A-2 was measured at 38 pCi/L
- NY Class GA Groundwater Standards for Gross Alpha is 15 pCi/L

Reuse Implications

Conservation/Recreation Area

Reuse Information Note

- Area has not yet been addressed under the National Historic Preservation Act
- An eligibility determination will be necessary for possible inclusion to the National Register of Historic Places
- One or more buildings may be eligible
- The entire Q complex may be considered as a historic district

Risk Assessment

Actual Risk Assessment to be determined during the RI/FS

Technology Selection

- No action
- Capping in place
- Excavation/hauling/landfilling
- Low temperature thermal desorption
- Soil vapor extraction
- Solidification/stabilization
- Soil/sediment washing
- In-situ detoxification
- Resource reclamation

Technology Selection (cont.)

- Implementation of institutional controls
- Composting
- Excavation/incineration
- RCRA subtitle D landfill
- Off-site treatment and disposal

Initiatives to Reduce Cost

Radiation Sites

Initiatives to Reduce Cost

- Inclusion of SEAD- 63 with SEAD-12A and B
- Combined effort of contractor and in-house personnel (RI/FS and RAD Survey together)
- Combined sampling of locations in affected areas
- Use of contractors laboratory for all samples
- Use of field equipment when applicable
- Proposes reduction of QA/QC rinse blanks

Cost Radiation Sites

- FY 99 RD \$ 1000 K
- FY 00 RA 6600 K

Radiation Sites Summary

- This presentation for Q area only
- Finalization of regulatory comments in progress
- RI/FS for SEAD-12A, 12B, and SEAD-63 will begin this spring. Geophysical survey currently on-going
- Combined efforts with Rad Survey project to reduce overall costs
- Additional information for Risk Assessment and Selected Technology for Remedial Action has yet to be determined
- Draft ROD due January 1999

