





### Galena Train Derailment RRT 5 Update 4/22/2015

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### Outline

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- Environmental
  - Air , Surface Water, Soil
- Recovery / Remediation
- Transition
- Issues of Interest
- Questions

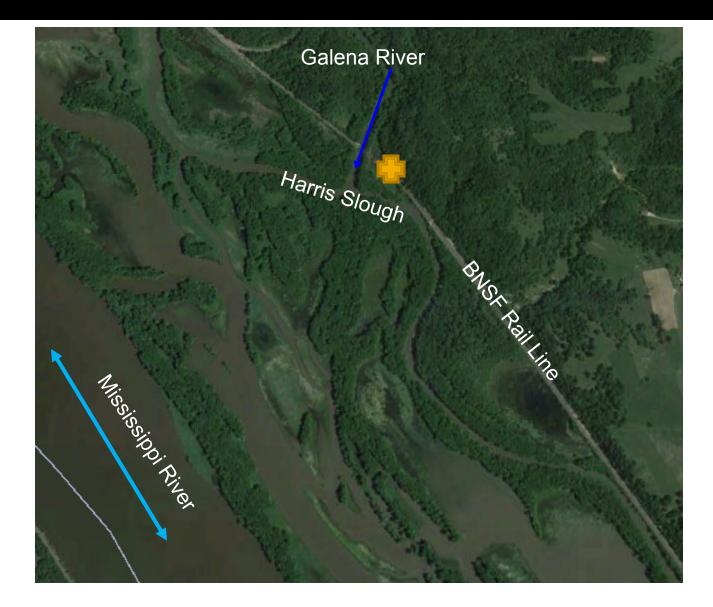


## **Incident Summary**

- 1324hrs on March 5
  - Reported to NRC @ 1452hrs
- 21 of 105 BNSF train cars derailed @ MP 171.6
- Crude oil released to ground & burned (majority)
- Initial response focus =
  - Life safety
  - Incident stabilization
  - Protection of environment
- 415 personnel initially



## Location



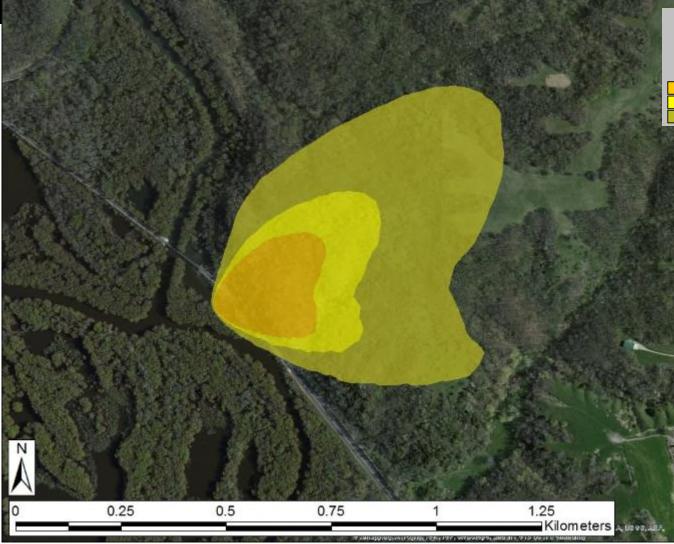
## **Initial Response Activities**

- Establishment of safe zone / evacuations
  - 6 homes < 1 mi</p>
  - 4 homes occupied
  - 2 individuals evacuated / 7 refused
- Concern of additional explosion(s) on March 6

IMAAC Model run



## 24 hours – IMAAC Run



Oilfire Gas Surface Dosage 07-Mar-15 22:00:00Z (24.000 hr)		
		In contour
	mg-min/m3	area (km²)
Hazardous	360.72	4.92E-2
Very Unhealthy	216.72	0.108
Unhealthy	94.32	0.349

This quick response used a weather prediction model; and was not coordinated with other IMAAC participants. Coordination will follow, and product will be updated as needed.

#### **FACTS**

Galena, IL Location: 42.374470° N / 90.4443060° W Event Time: 1725, o6MAR2015 Type: Bakken Crude Oil Amount: 60,000 gallons Dissemination: Rail Accident Weather: 12 km NAM Model: HPAC 5.3 Static Population Estimates: LandScan 2013

### **Response Management**

- IEMA/Galena FD used NIMS from the onset
  - 2 separate 'IAPs' being developed (BNSF & IL IMT)
  - NOFI issued to BNSF by USEPA
  - USCG, IEPA & USEPA coordinated from Day 1
  - US EPA deployed 'IMT Lite' (4 OPs, PSC, SITL & PIO)
- USEPA / IEMA established UC on day 4
  - USEPA
  - IEPA
  - Galena FD / Jo Daviess County EMA
  - BNSF Railway
- 1<sup>st</sup> combined IAP developed for OP#4
  - USEPA facilitated integration

## **IC to UC Transition Issues**

- Composition of UC
  - PHMSA, FRA, OSHA, IEMA, IL IMT left off
- Selection of 1 individual for KLPs challenging

#### **BEFORE = AFTER**

- 1 IC = 4(UC)
- 5 PSCs = 1 (CTEH)
- 6 SOs = 1 (BNSF, USCG)
- 4 OPSs = 1 (BNSF)
- 3 ENVLs = 1 (ARCADIS)
- Strategy was to populate KLPs with qualified personnel w/ longevity on site (EPA deputy)
- CTEH's IAP software utilized successfully



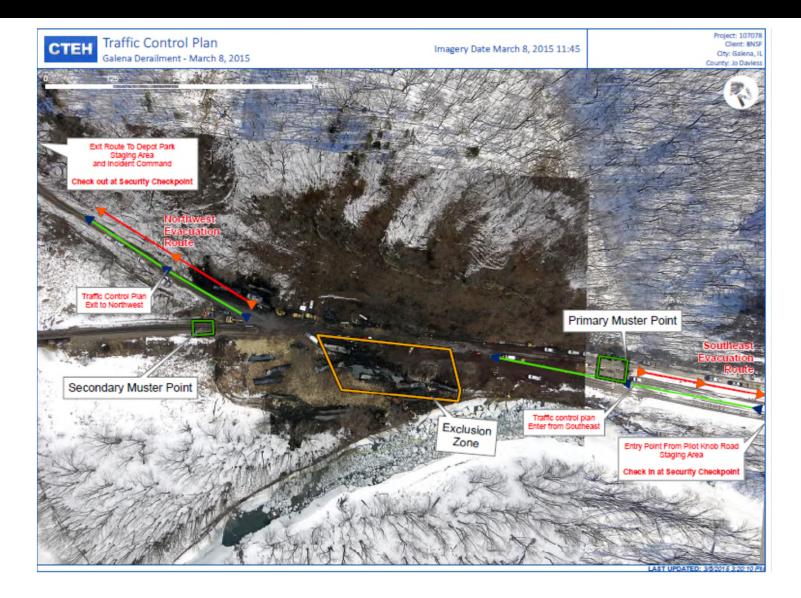
## **Response Activities**

- Extinguished fire, investigate, assess scene
- Roadway access to difficult area
  - 404 permit issued by USACE
- Vac'd out crude from impacted cars & ground
- Removed damaged cars from right-of-way
- Excavated contaminated soils under tracks
- Replaced damaged track & resumed track ops
  - 100 trains backed up
- Emptied, cleaned, purged, cut up & scrapped cars (hauled out by truck)

## Friday, March 6



## **Traffic Control – Tight Spot**



# 12 impacted cars

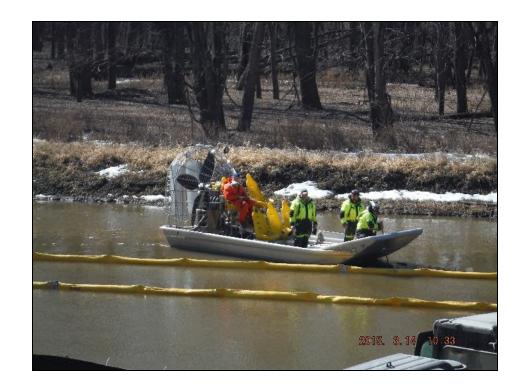


## Friday, March 13

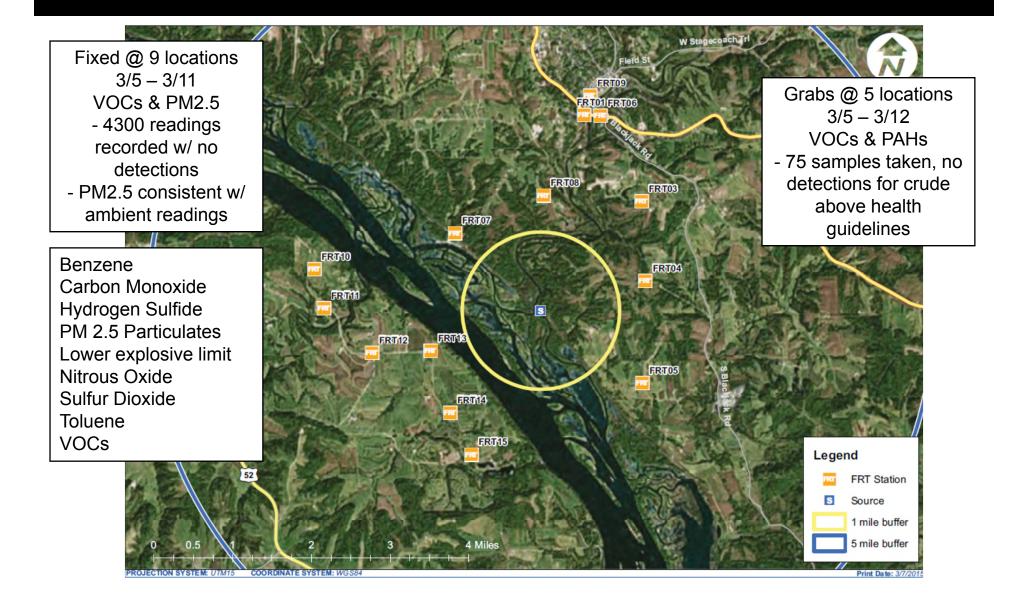


# **Monitoring & Sampling**

- Air
- Product
  - Fingerprint, SDS, analysis
- Surface Water
- Soil







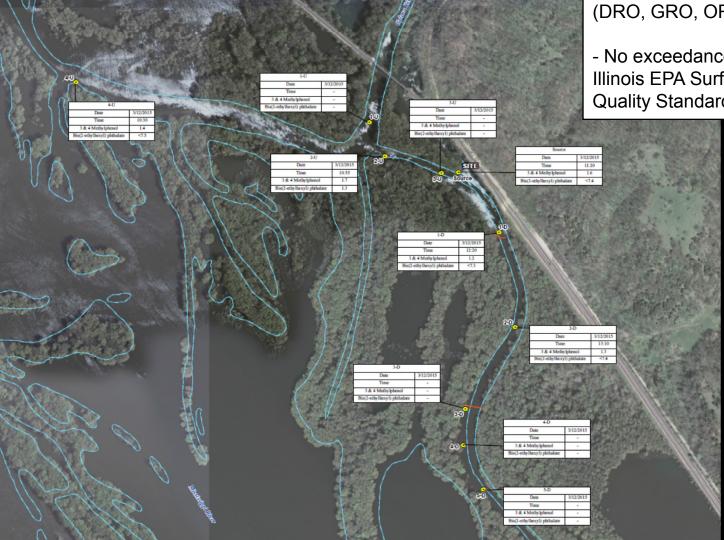
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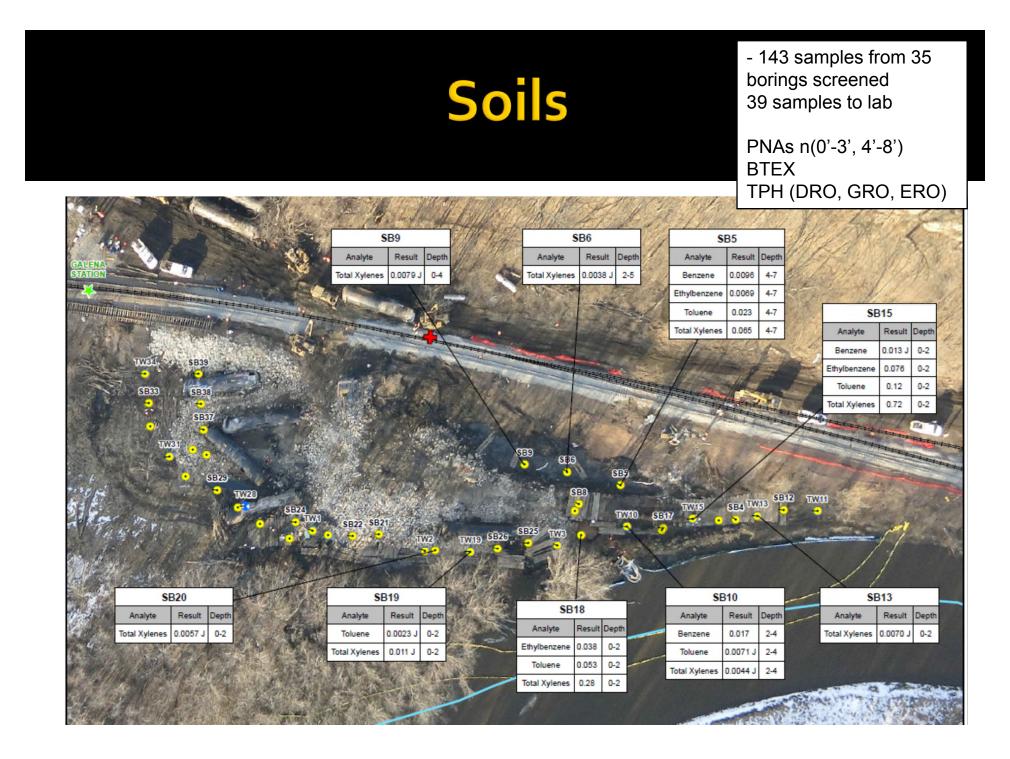
2 up, source, 2 down 3/11 to present

## **Surface Water**

Field parameters: (depth, flow, DO, ORP, temp, cond, pH) VOCs PNAs (SVOCs) BTEX **TPHs** (DRO, GRO, ORO)

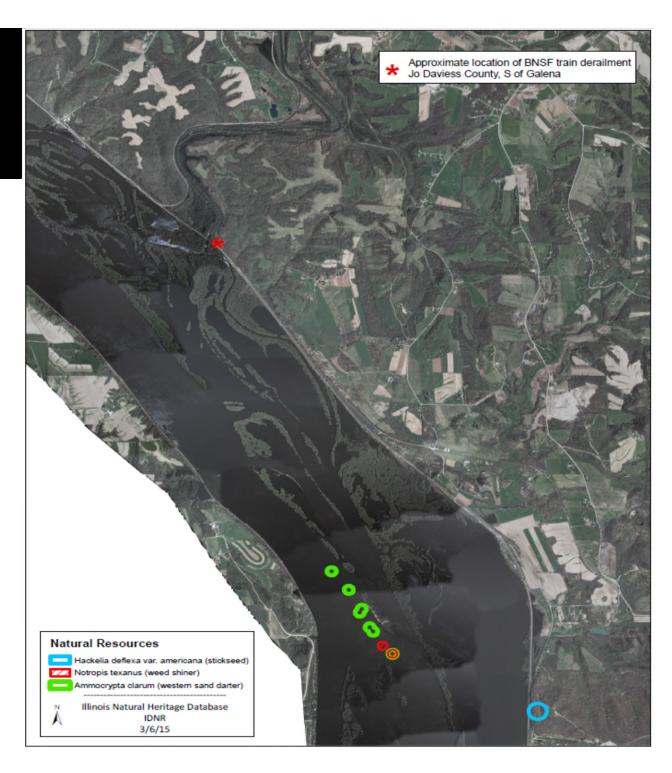
- No exceedances of Illinois EPA Surface Water Quality Standards





## ESA

IDNR &US FWS did not identify endangered species at derailment site



## **River Level Monitoring**

#### (unseasonably stable/low)

#### MISSISSIPPI AND GALENA RIVER LEVELS AT DUBUQUE, BELLEVUE, AND BUNCOMBE as of 3/18/2015 18:11:00 BNSF GALENA RESPONSE Location 686.5 Data Type observed forecasted sea 686 Galena River at above Buncombe, WI eet gi 685.5-685 Today 596.5 ø 596 Mississippi River at Ð abo Dubuque, IL eet g 595.5 Today 595 590 589.5 Mississippi River at Bellevue, IA feet 589

Mar 16

Mar 17

Mar 15

Today

Mar 18

Date(CDT) [March 2015]

Mar 19

Mar 20

Mar 21

Mar 22

Mar 23

Data Obtained from NOAA at 3/18/2015 18:11:00

http://www.water\_weather\_gov/ahps2/hydrograph\_php2wfo=mtx:&gage=burw3 http://water.weather\_gov/ahps2/hydrograph\_php2wfo=dvn&gage=BLV/4 http://water.weather\_gov/ahps2/hydrograph\_php2wfo=dvn&gage=DBQI4

588.5

Mar 13

Mar 14

## **Remediation Activities**

- Sheet pile impacted area complete
- Excavate impacted soils complete
  - Republic Upper Rock Island LF, E. Moline, IL
- Flush ballast / ramp & recover oil ongoing
- Water Treatment ongoing
- Remove crude ongoing
- Backfill & restoration planning
  - US ACE, property owner input
- Monitoring planning



## **Sheet Pile Containment**



## The numbers (so far)...

Product	Total
Crude Oil	230,242 gal
Oil/Water Mixture	35,132 gal
Contact Water (treated)	216,800 gal (+)
Contaminated Soil	3,568 tons (+)
Oily & General Debris	40 yds (+)
Tankers wrecked	12





## **Next Steps**

#### Response

- After Action Reports/Reviews
  - USEPA & IEPA participated in meeting on 3/27
- Update Emergency Operation Plans
  - Lessons learned
  - Building Capability
- Cost Recovery
  - Galena requested \$227,300 from BNSF
  - USEPA / USCG will develop request (\$250k OSLTF)



- Transition plan/schedule developed w/ IEPA (3/19)
- USEPA memo to IEPA SRP Unit Leader (3/20)
- UC dissolution memo (3/24)
- NPDES Permit
  - Water Treatment Unit USEPA FOSC email exercising NCP, CWA Section 311(c) & NPDES Section 122.3(d) authority to exempt NPDES permit (3/24)
  - Construction Site General permit issued by IEPA (3/27)
- IEPA SRP
  - Rockford Regional Office field oversight Greg Kazmerski
  - Springfield office project manager Jeff Guy
- IEPA perspective ?

## **Issues of Interest**

- JIC established, however....
  - No joint appearances w/ RP
  - Press releases / updates issued separately by City, State, USEPA, RP
- EPA POLREP utilized 'imminent & substantial endangerment' language confused press

Clarified in next press cycle

- Property ownership (impacted area)
- 24 work plans developed, approved by UC
- Putting the fire out...

## **Questions**?

http://www2.epa.gov/il/galena-train-derailment http://epaosc.org/bnsfgalenaspill

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