

TAMS-HydInfra Training

Surveys' Condition Ratings for Pipes and Structures

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Surveys will assign Condition Rating,
and comment to describe repair needs

so WRE can estimate repairs, linings and
reconstructs for project design

Condition ratings
in a nutshell:



HydInfra Inspection Manual

Culvert and Storm Drainage Systems

Condition Rating Codes:

Like new

1

Excellent – like new condition

Still okay

2

Fair – some wear, but structurally sound

Fix in project

3

Poor – deteriorated, consider for repair or replacement

Fix it sooner

4

Severe – serious deterioration

Unknown

0

Not able to rate, not visible

[HydInfra Culvert
and Storm Drain
Inspection Manual](#)

Metro Surveys collects location data like this:

| ID | County X | County Y | Z | Asset Code |
|--------|-------------|-------------|----------|------------|
| 62160, | 147079.905, | 559302.703, | 903.605, | DI |

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62103,147048.472,559612.050,890.150,BL*RCP152-12 0
62110,147110.774,559644.466,905.466,DI-OVERFLOW
62111,147111.019,559645.448,902.777,BL*RCP155-15 0
62112,147110.404,559643.175,902.732,BL*RCP154-15 0
62120,147117.302,559670.351,900.925,EL*RCP154,APR-15 0 SAFETY GRATE
62130,147104.237,559628.607,910.256,STMH
62131,147104.237,559628.607,902.556,EL*RCP155-15 0
62132,147104.237,559628.607,902.556,EL*RCP151-15 0
62140,147047.563,559508.220,908.406,STMH
62141,147047.563,559508.220,899.206,EL*RCP153-27 0
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62143,147047.563,559508.220,899.206,BL*RCP157-27 0
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62151,147035.243,559364.778,901.416,BL*RCP158-15 0
62160,147079.905,559302.703,903.605,DI
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Plus HydInfra Rating
and “— [comment]”

New Method: comment to describe repair needs

62110,147110.774,559644.466,905.466,DI-OVERFLOW 4 – BAD CRACKS.
REPAIR DEPTH 6 FT. REPLACE CASTING AND RINGS. GROUT AT
PIPES

Comment has 50 character limit in GPK

Take a **Photo** of hard-to-explain stuff

- 1) Get search coordinates from Casey's TAMS Reports.
- 2) Get PDF map of area from WRE for location survey, or use Georilla3

Download Report CSV and convert Longitude Latitude to County Coordinates.

Download CSV ▼

Rows per page: 100 ▼

Location Surveys find Structures

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| Hydraulic Structures | Longitude | Latitude | Top of Cast Elev (Ft) | Structure Type | Material Type | Built SP Number | County |
|----------------------|----------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|------------|
| 2320440 | -92.9083244324 | 45.0352920560 | | Other | Concrete | | Washington |
| 2320451 | -92.9786353227 | 44.9270063045 | | Other | Concrete | | Washington |
| 2320452 | -92.9644673487 | 44.9489947230 | | SpecFeat - Weir | Concrete | | Washington |
| 2321876 | -92.7854362800 | 45.0286275823 | | Other | Other | 8214-114 | Washington |
| 2322054 | -92.9823638717 | 45.0345935662 | 1017.8600 | Manhole | Concrete | 6227-76 | Washington |
| 2322353 | -92.9847519609 | 45.2767165271 | .0000 | Catch Basin | Concrete | | Washington |
| 2322356 | -92.9583356746 | 45.0312614053 | .0000 | Catch Basin | Concrete | | Washington |
| 2322348 | -92.8894728375 | 44.7937970265 | .0000 | Manhole | Concrete | | Washington |
| 2322726 | -92.9838827432 | 45.2864927366 | .0000 | Drop Inlet | Concrete | | Washington |
| 2323515 | -92.9809128863 | 44.9482532893 | .0000 | Catch Basin | Concrete | | Washington |
| 2323516 | -92.9783093754 | 44.9486268579 | .0000 | Catch Basin | Concrete | | Washington |
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| 2323519 | -92.9821608971 | 44.9486284247 | .0000 | Catch Basin | Concrete | | Washington |
| 2323838 | -93.0093841338 | 44.8851506017 | | Catch Basin | Concrete | 8285-79 | Washington |
| 2323839 | -93.0064750375 | 44.8862866973 | | Manhole | Concrete | 8285-79 | Washington |

SURVEYS DRAINAGE-RELATED CODES

| | |
|------|-------|
| BOX | VCG |
| RCP | DCG |
| RCPA | SCG |
| RCCP | Curb |
| CMP | CIP |
| CMPA | DIP |
| SCP | DT |
| EOSA | PCP |
| END | PVC |
| SDRN | CPP |
| CB | FLU |
| DI | APR |
| STMH | HEAD |
| VCP | STLN |
| ITEE | OTHER |
| BCG | DCS |

Surveyors Feature Codes

From

[CG_TABLE.XLS](#)

Note: MnDOT's Asbuilt format [Table K](#) has different Feature Codes that don't all work in Geopak.

| DRAINAGE | |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| BOX | Box Culvert |
| RCP | Reinforced Concrete Pipe |
| RCPA | Reinforced Conc. Pipe Arch |
| RCCP | Precast Concrete Pipe |
| CMP | Corrugated Metal Pipe |
| CMPA | Corrug. Metal Pipe Arch |
| SCP | Sectional Concrete Pipe |
| EOSA | End of Safety Apron |
| END | Pipe End |
| SDRN | Slotted Drain Ends |
| CB | Catch Basin |
| DI | Drop Inlet |
| STMH | Storm Manhole |
| VCP | Vitrified Clay Pipe |
| ITEE | Inspection Tee |
| BCG | Type B C&G (Use Com. For Loc.) |
| VCG | Type V C&G (Use Com. For Loc.) |
| DCG | Type D C&G (Use Com. For Loc.) |
| SCG | Type S C&G (Use Com. For Loc.) |
| Curb | Curb (Stand Alone) |
| CIP | Cast Iron Pipe |
| DIP | Ductile Iron Pipe |
| DT | Drain Tile |
| PCP | Perforated Concrete Pipe |
| PVC | Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe |
| CPP | Corrugated Plastic Pipe |
| FLU | Flume |
| APR | Apron |
| HEAD | Head Wall |
| STLN | Storm Line |
| OTHER | Point For Drainage |
| DCS | Drainage Control Structure |

Structure Types in HydInfra



- Catchbasin - CB



- Manhole - STMH



- Drop Inlet - DI

And less common types:

- Buried Manhole
- DCS - Control Structure (flow control)
- Deck Drain (on a bridge)
- Diverter (drains 2 directions)
- ITEE - Inspection Tee

Describe it if there is no code.

Two other TAMS Structure types have no SMD code:

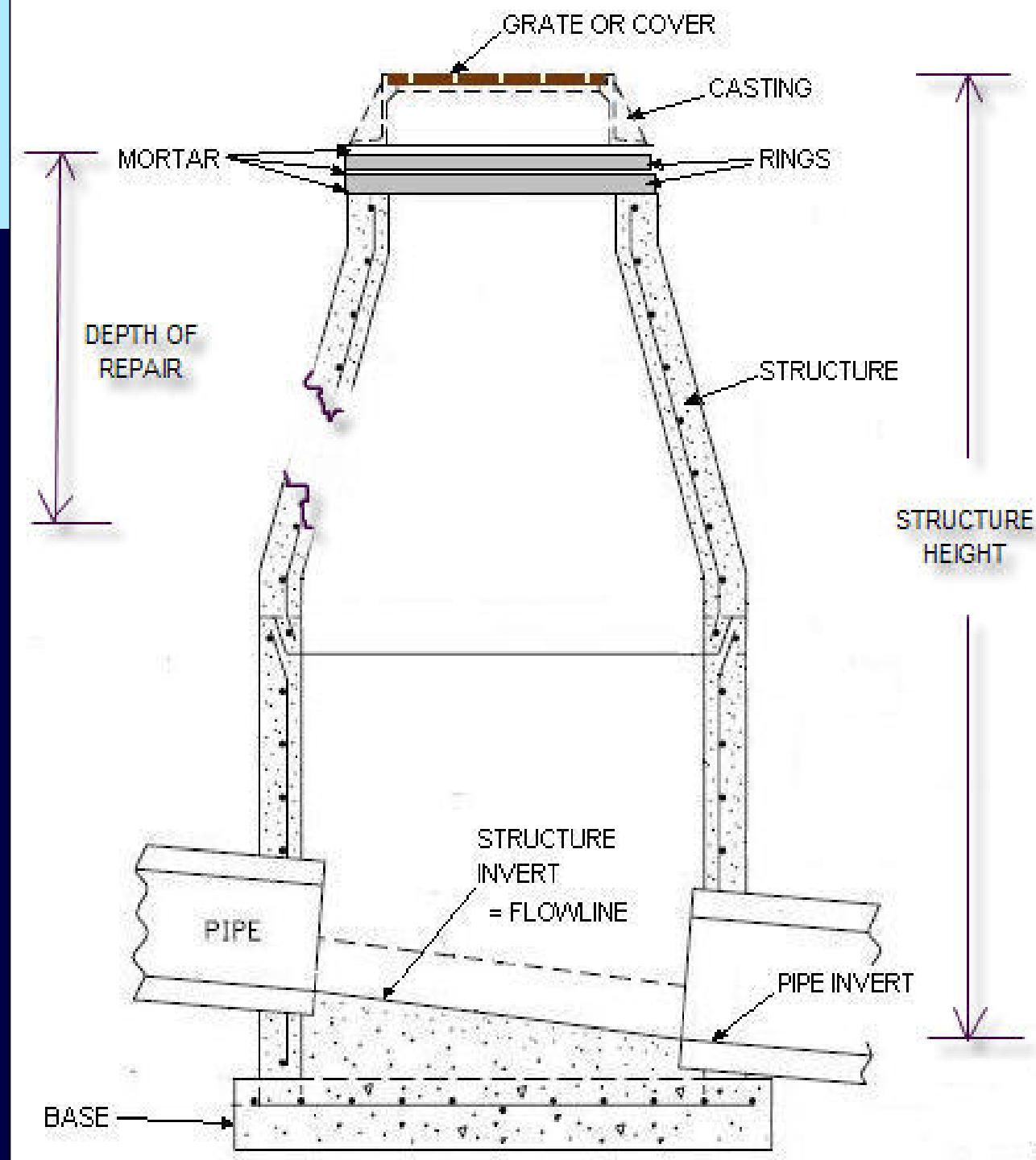
SPCD Structural Pollution Control Device

Special Feature Overflow or Other

Structure Terms

Comment to describe repair needs:

1. Replace casting or grate?
2. Replace Rings?
3. Replace cone?
4. Repair depth for gaps, holes, cracks, missing blocks or bricks?
5. Repair grout around connected pipes?
6. Repair Structure invert?
7. Infiltration of road fill? (Condition 4)



What can you **see** inside the structure?



Manhole (solid cover) with too many rings

Condition Rating - Is it broken or not?

Rating Criteria in

[HydInfra Culvert and Storm Drain Inspection Manual](#)

page 34,
General Inspection Criteria - Other
Materials

1 Excellent Condition

- Materials are intact.

2 Fair Condition

- Materials have minor defects but the asset is structurally sound.
- The asset is functioning properly.

3 Poor Condition **Broken**

- Materials have defects that may affect function or structural integrity of the asset but can wait for a repair
- Repair is needed but is not under road

4 Severe Condition **Broken**

- Components are broken or not working
- Outflow is non-functional
- Piles of soil inside asset at the joints, or any indication that soil infiltrates into asset from under roadway
- Materials have severe defects and need repair soon.

Look for gaps and cracks at rings, structure walls, connected pipes and invert.



Imagine water rising at the pipe inlet.

A **gap** between pipe and structure can cause piping and loss of road fill.



Is soil leaking through
structure walls?

Weakened?

Or worn but still okay?



Look for clues to structure condition on the pavement surface.

Then look inside.





Loss of fill outside the structure points to a gap in the structure or rings.

Structures with gaps are Condition 4

- Holes
- Cracks with gaps
- Leaking fill
- Missing blocks

Replace structure or
rebuild to “**Repair Depth**”



Settling in
pavement or curb
may indicate a
road void





A pile of dirt
in the
structure
indicates a
road void

Concrete pipe fails most often when
Joint Separation and **Piping** causes **Road Void**

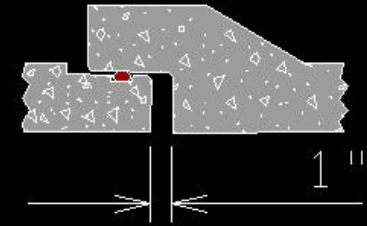


HydInfra data shows about 7% of MnDOT's
concrete pipes have separated joints

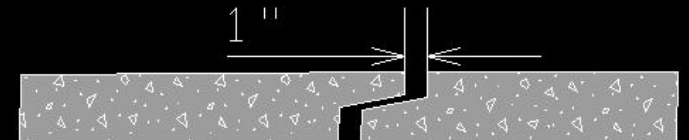
Piping looks like this –
water leaves the pipe at holes or joints and
flows along the outside



JOINTS IN
GASKETED PIPE
STD. PLATE 3006



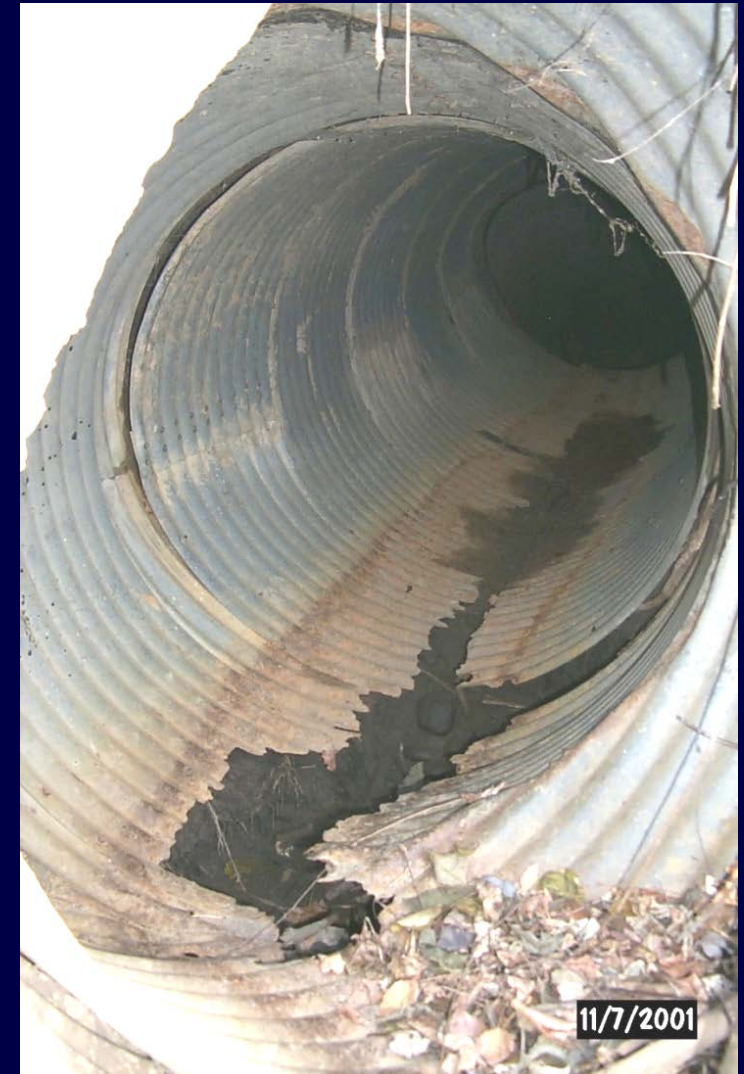
JOINTS IN
NON-GASKETED PIPE
STD. PLATE 3000



Loss of road fill is Condition 4



Condition 4 Culvert –
Gaps in culvert cause
piping and road void



Does the structure have a restricted access because of an odd repair?

Needs a rebuild.



Identify
Materials - Structures and Pipes

Why? -- for Project Design and Lifecycle Cost Analysis in TAMS

Joint Separation and Misalignment
is rare in Steel pipe
and may indicate a slope failure



Slope failure
around a pipe or
structure is
Condition 4

Horseshoe-shaped slope failure

Chicken or Egg – did the leaking pipe
cause the slope failure or did slope
failure cause the leaking pipe?



While some steep slopes are prone to failure **leaking pipes lubricate the slide**



Or, the **downstream channel is lowering**, causing channel sides to fall in

In this case, a headcut in the downstream channel lead to culvert joint separation.

Another horseshoe slope failure downstream is a symptom of the lowering gully.

Erosion - Scour - Channel Degradation – Headcut are terms to describe soil loss downstream of pipe.



Concrete abrasion, acid attack and bad manufacture
are far less common



Abrasion from rocks
District 1 Duluth



Acidic factory
discharge,
I-94 St. Paul
Metro District



Bad concrete mix
in alternating pipe
sections, District 3
Baxter

Porous weeping patches
indicate bad concrete
material



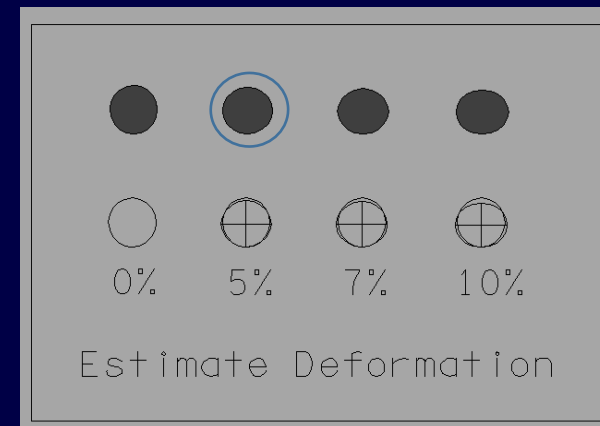
D7 MN Highway 22, 2014, Post-construction video

The pipe photo shows water trickling down the
inside wall through perforations or honeycombing.

Bad Resin 1996 HDPE pipe shows Deformation, Misaligned and Separated Joints

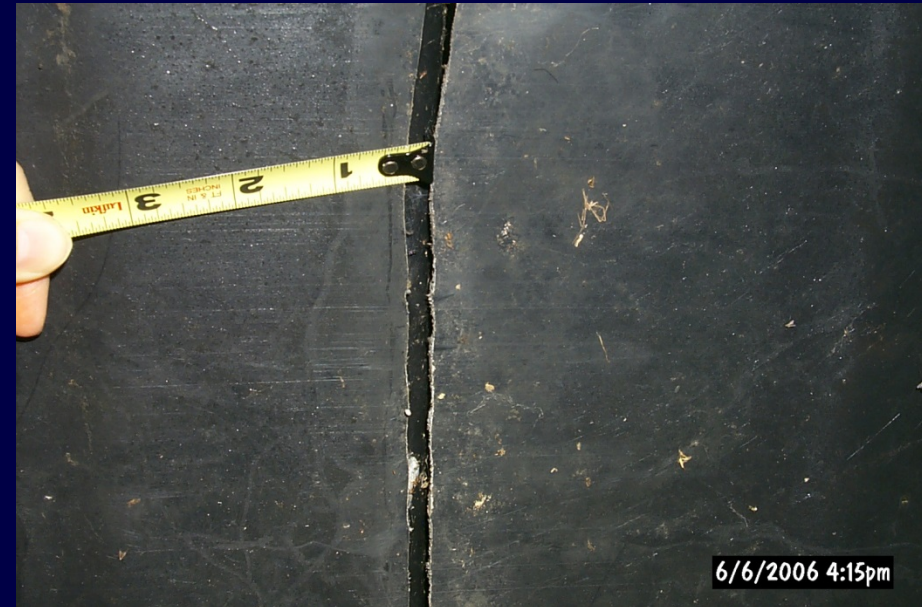


Photo above shows 5% Deformation (rotated)



HydInfra ID 36918 has **manufacturing defect** in pipe material

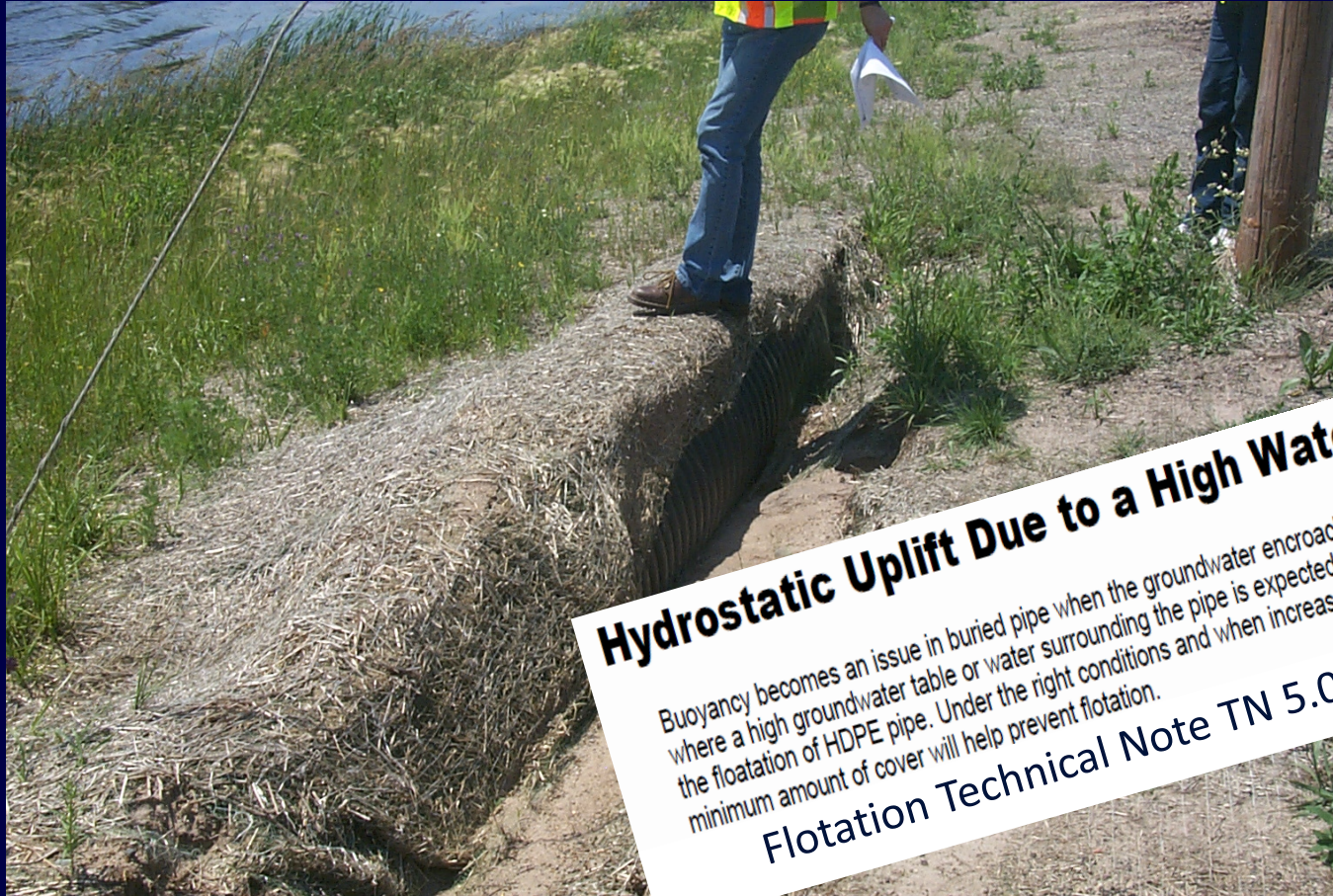
1996 **bad resin** HDPE
has patterned surface and cracks in 2006



Resin Specs have been changed since this pipe was
manufactured

Too little cover –

Construction change caused **Floated** HDPE



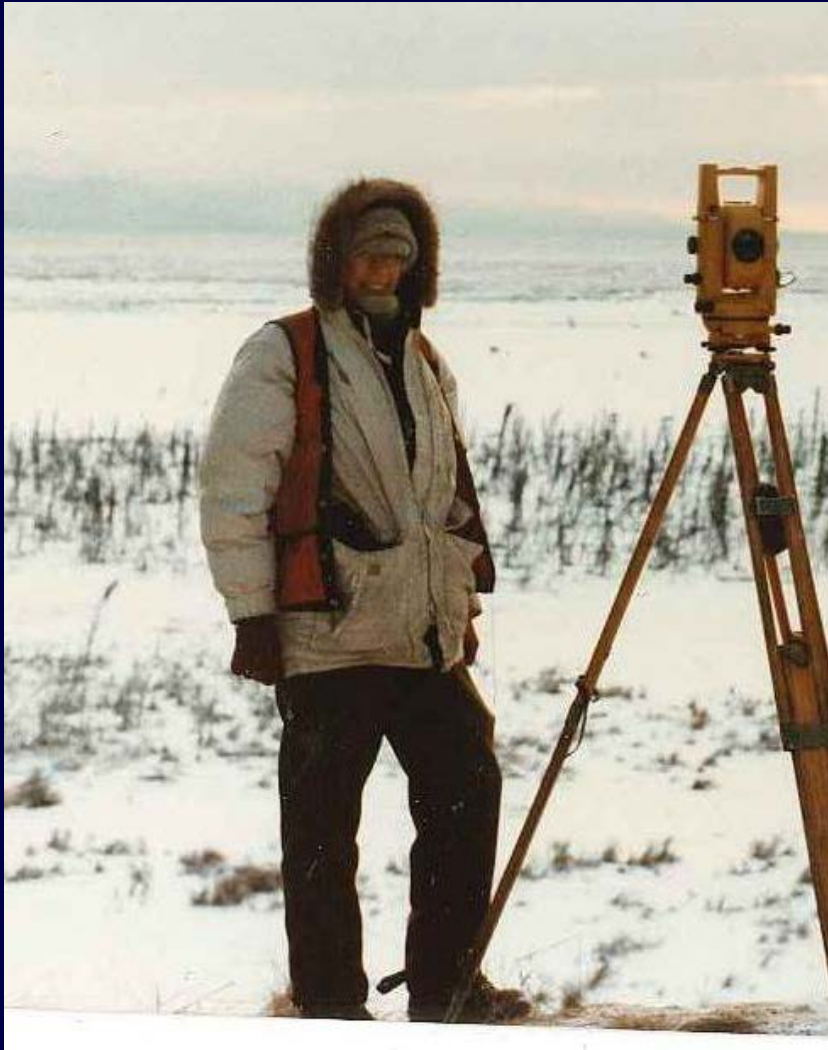
Pipe was re-routed across road inslope with too little cover (about 6 inches). High water or frost heave can cause the pipe to “float”.

Big storm + bad pipe = wrecked road



We could have fixed it cheaper, sooner.





View overlooking Cook Inlet, Anchorage
Alaska, January 1983 at -5° F
Those are black spruce trees across the
middle of photo.

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