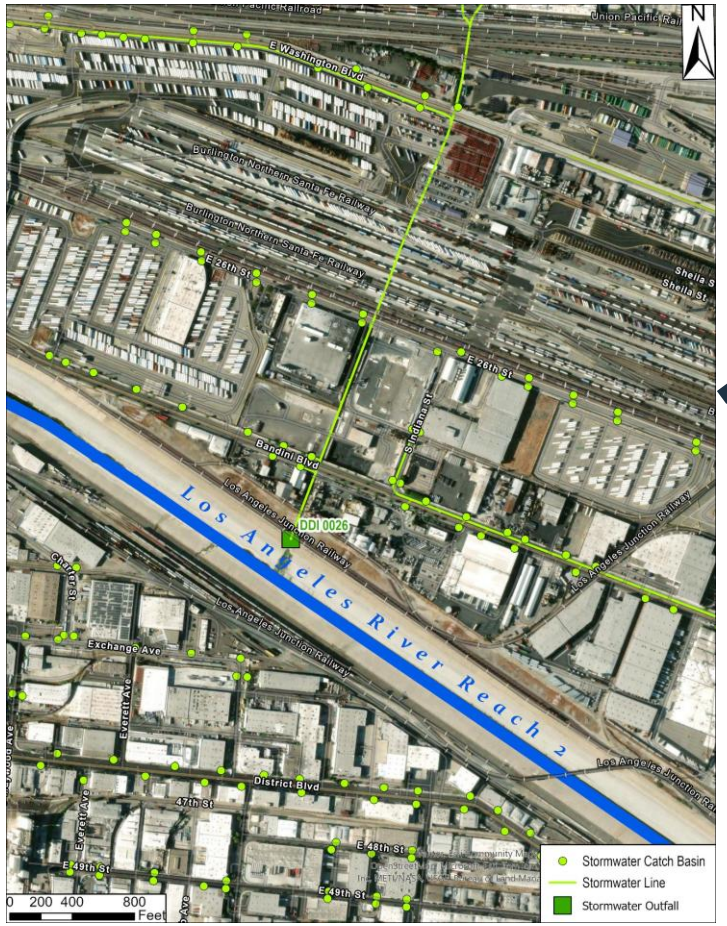
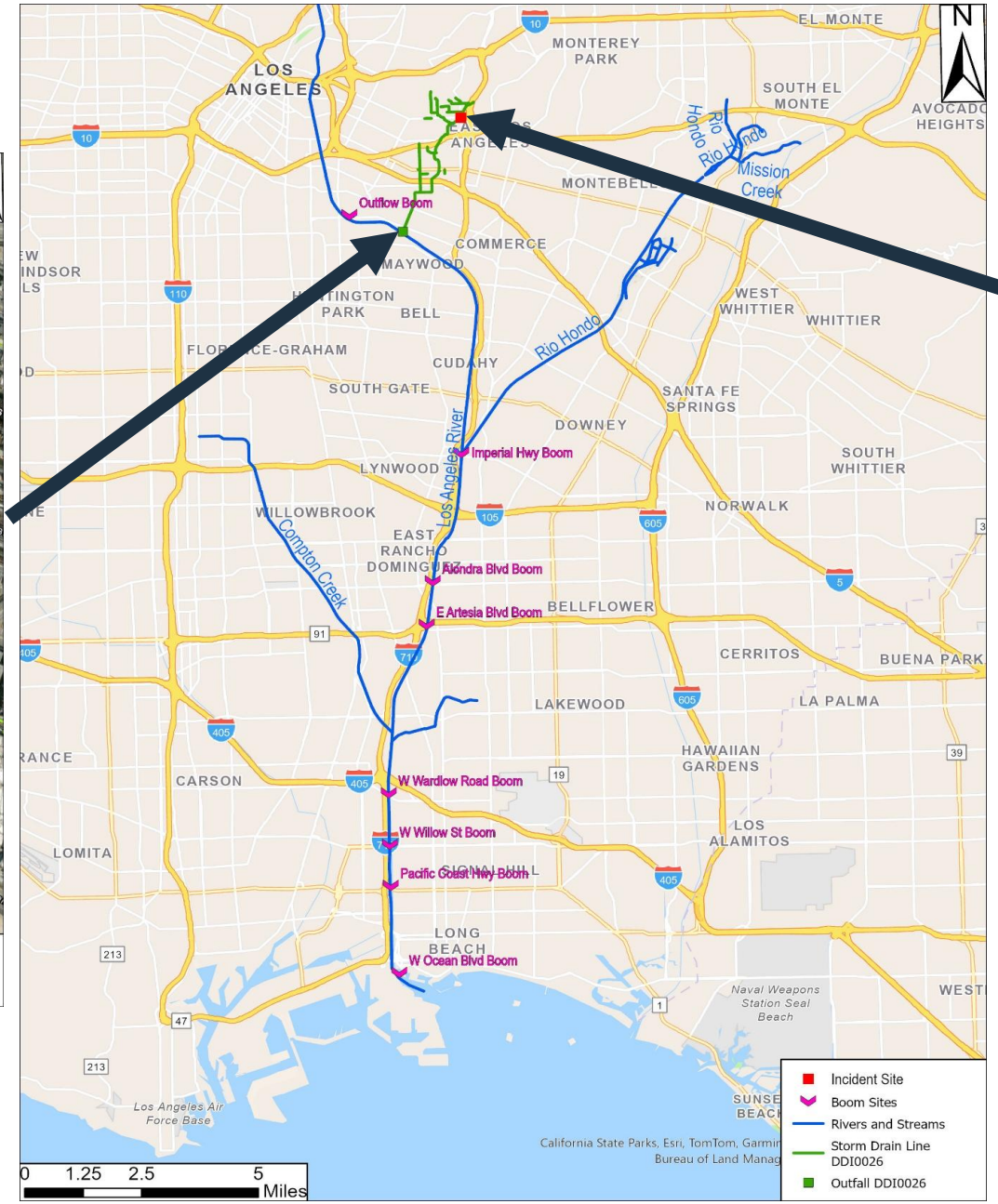
East LA Oil Spill
Community Information Session

October 24, 2026

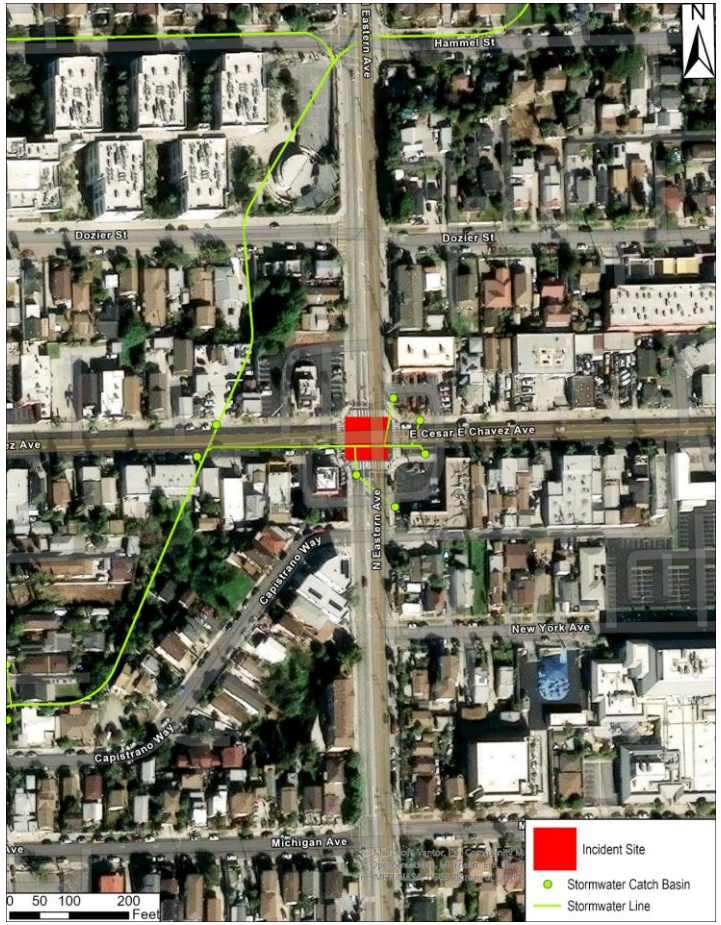
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Incident site:
E. Cesar Chavez Ave. and N. Eastern Ave.



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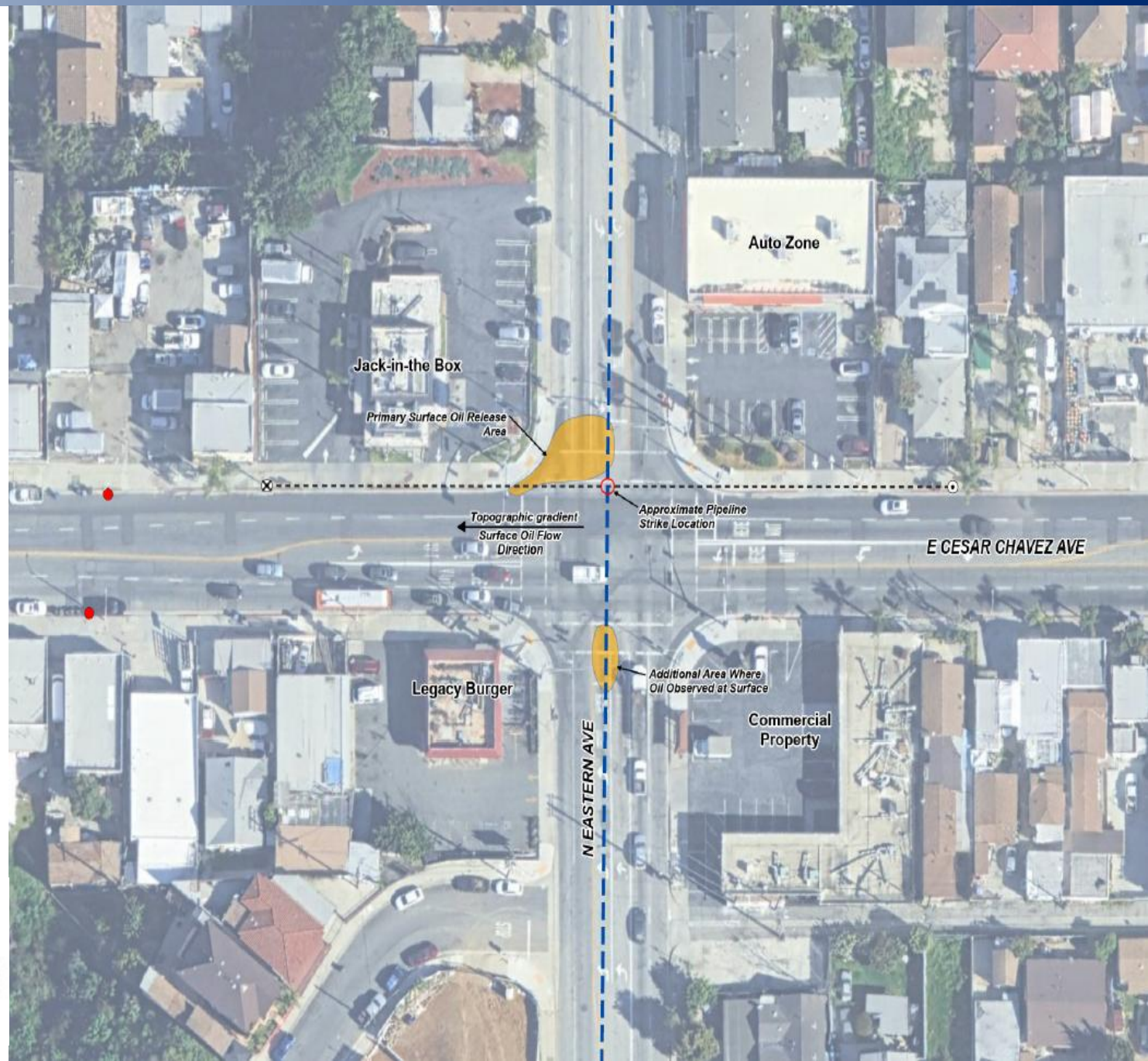
SPILL LOCATION

E. Cesar Chavez Ave. and
N. Eastern Ave.

Legend

- PPS Pipeline (Line 63)
- Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD)
- HDD Entry
- HDD Exit
- Oil Impacted Storm Drain

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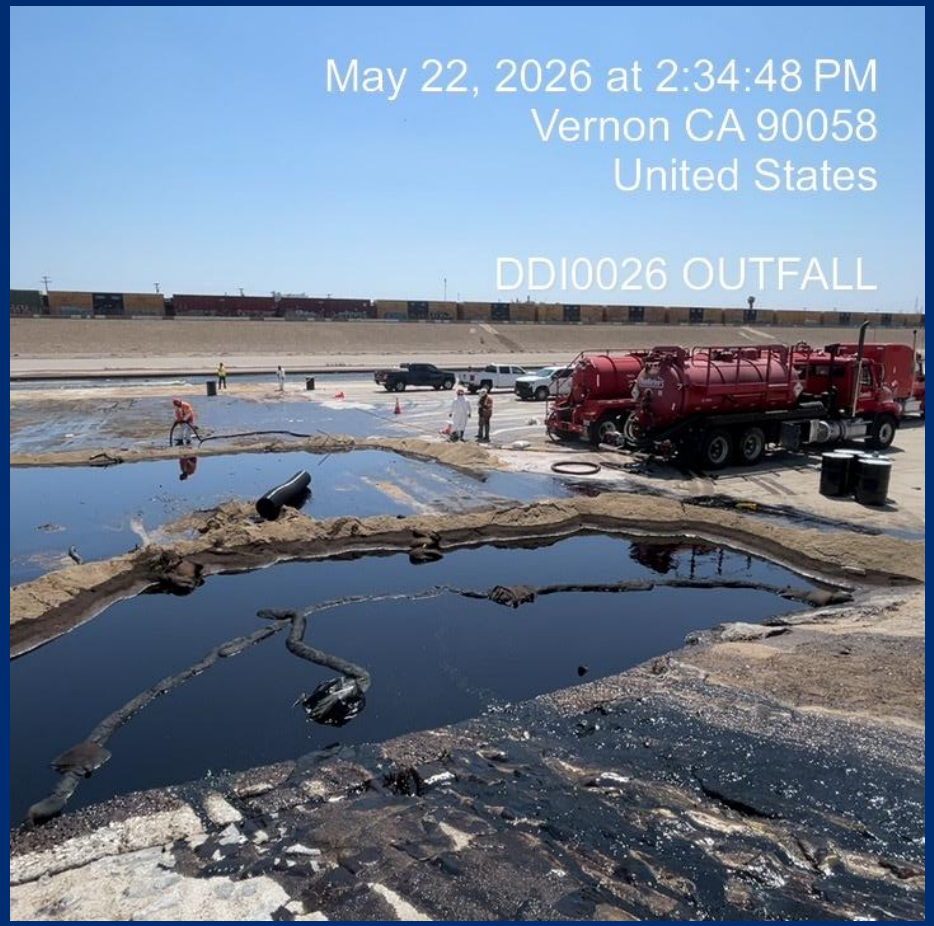


NW Corner of intersection looking west



Aerial view of LA River at the outfall

May 22, 2026





Spill containment at the outfall in LA River



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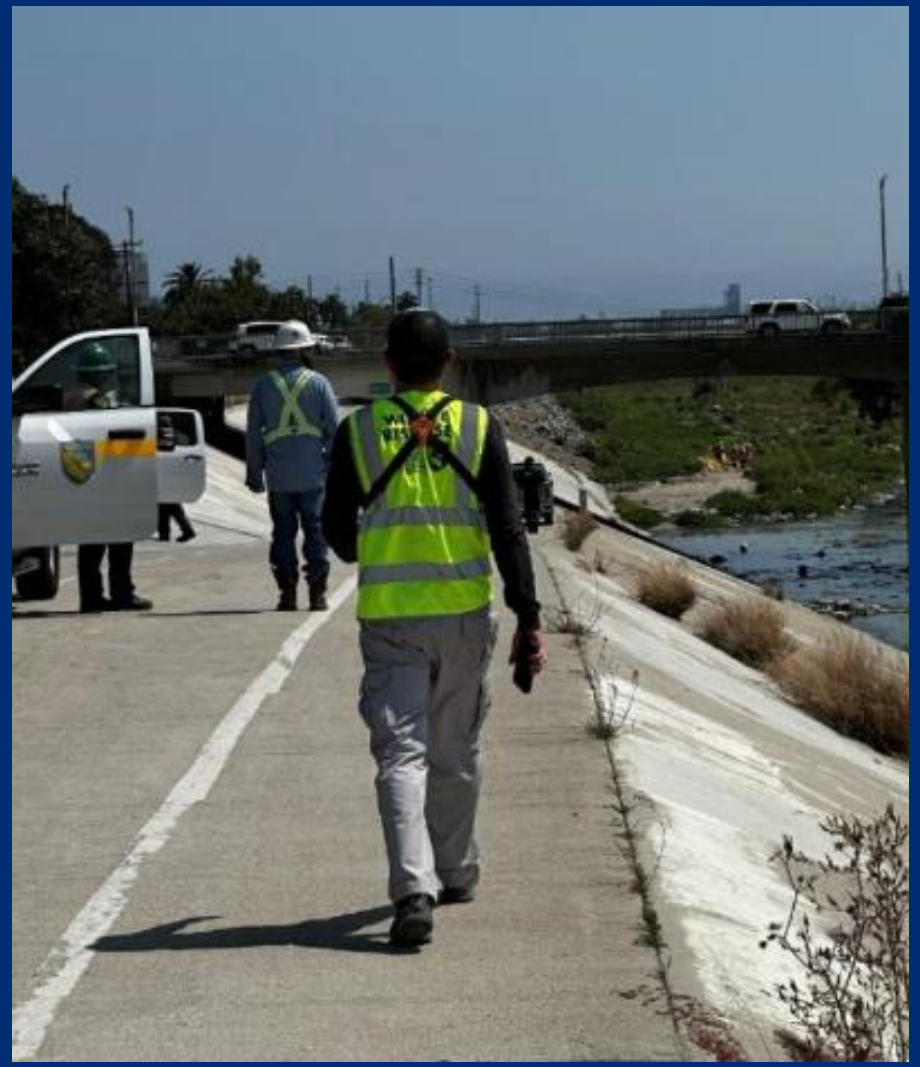
Response personnel worked to excavate the impacted pipeline at the intersection of East Cesar E. Chavez Ave and N. Eastern Ave.

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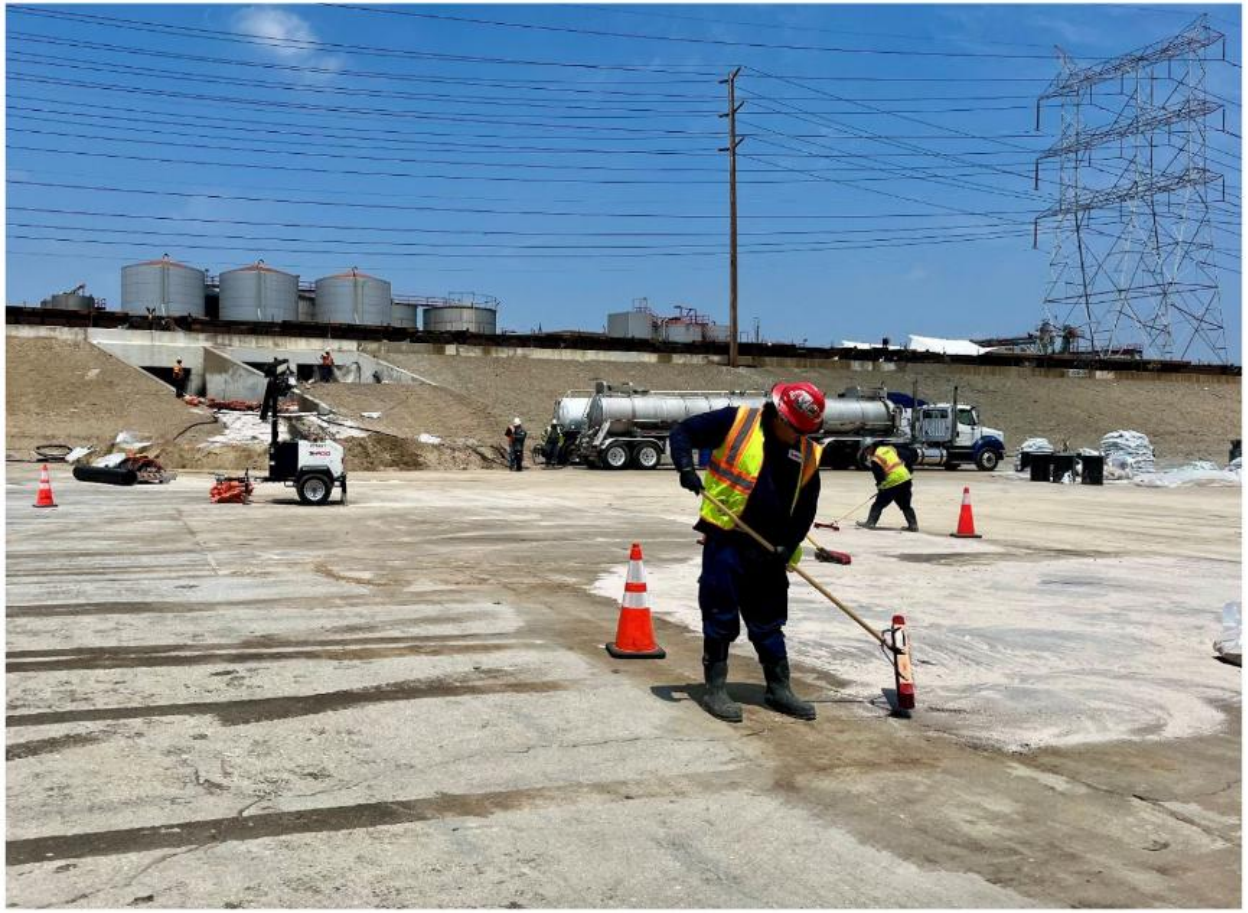
Responder conducts air monitoring at the outfall in Los Angeles River.

Oiled Wildlife Care Network responds to all reports of oiled wildlife along the LA River



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Clean up progress at intersection and in the channel at the outfall

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Bike trail closed to support clean up activity

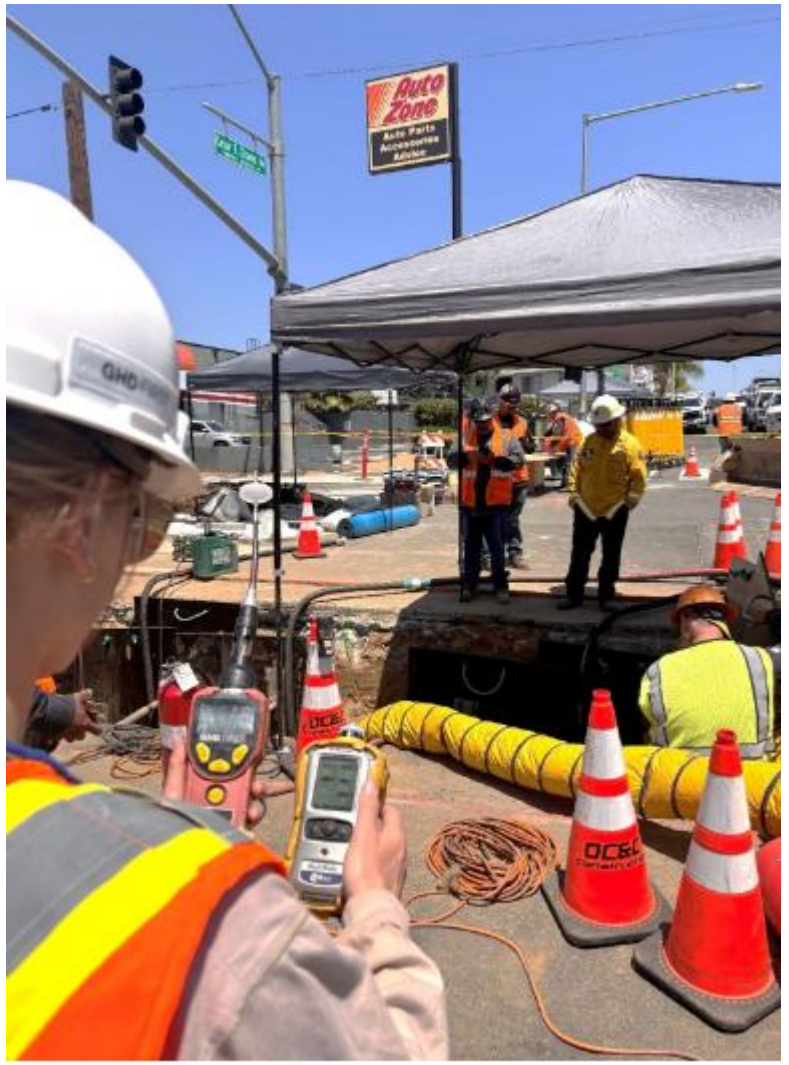


Multiple layers of containment placed to prevent downstream impacts.

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Remediation continues including cleaning underground storm drain.

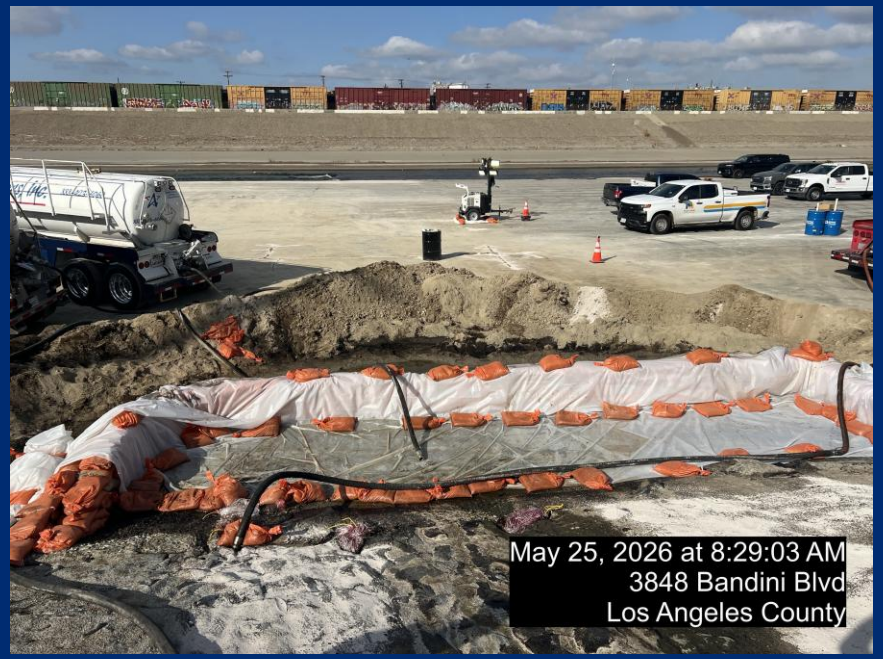


Mobile and stationary air monitoring continues as crews repair pipeline and remove impacted soil

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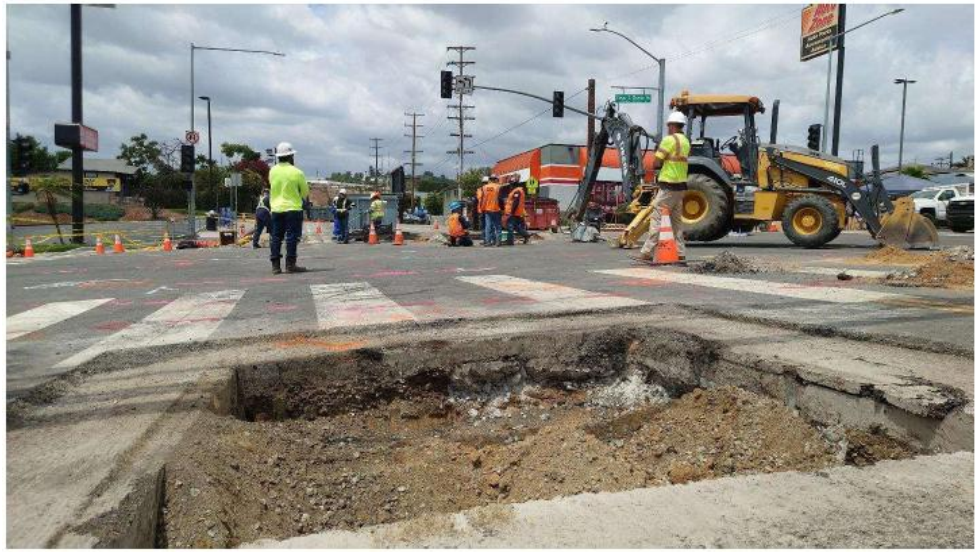






Remediation continues including cleaning catch basins and outfall area.

May 27, 2026



Initial soil excavation and sampling completed.

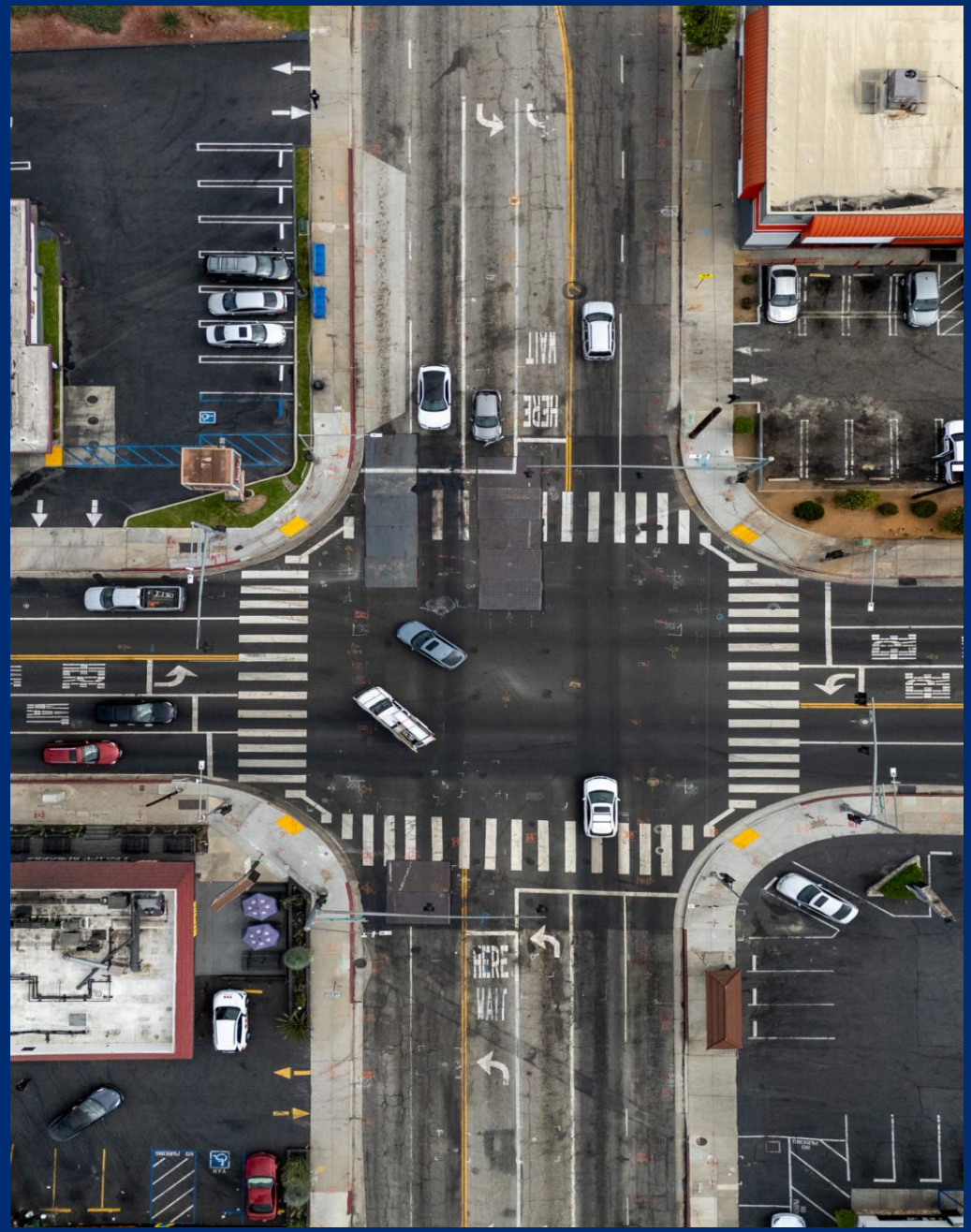






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Intersection reopens



May 29, 2026

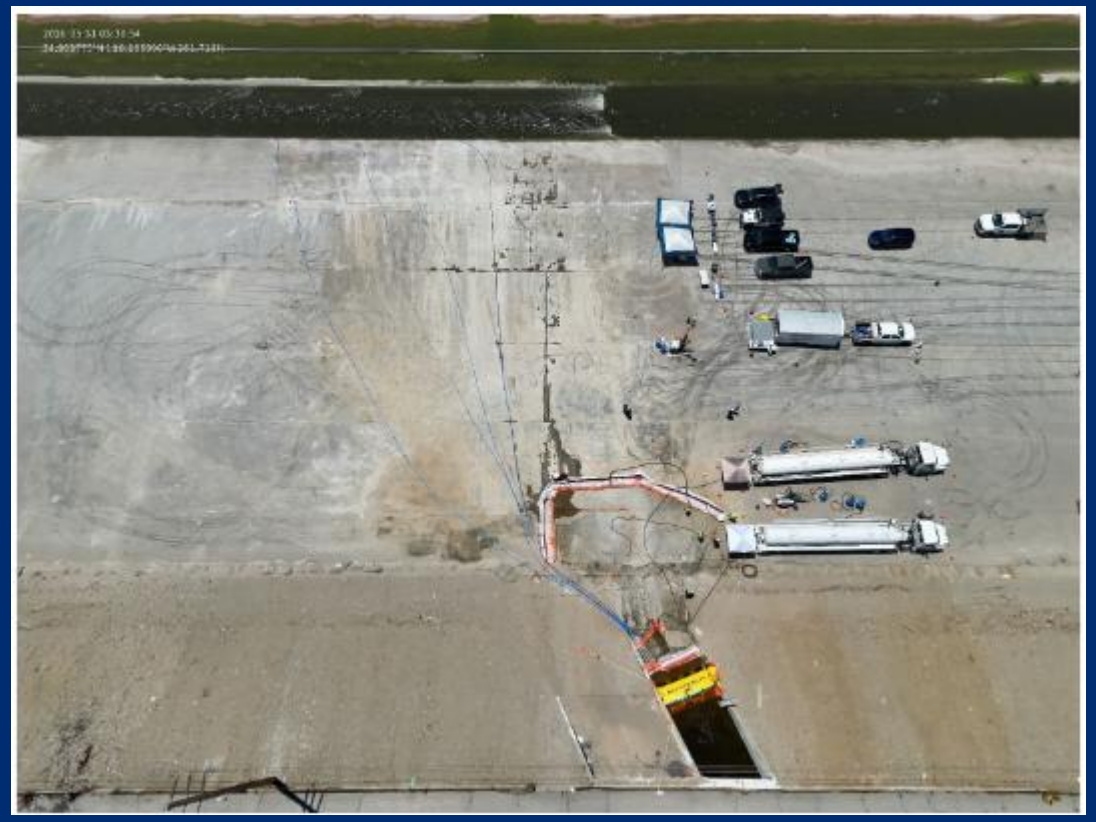


Remediation of underground storm drain continues.



Vegetation removal conducted in LA River

June 1, 2026



Cleaning operations near completion at the storm drain outfall to the LA River. Protective containment measures remain in place at the storm drain outfall until all storm drain cleaning operations are complete



Crews work to maintain containment and absorbent boom deployed at the Pacific Coast Highway bridge

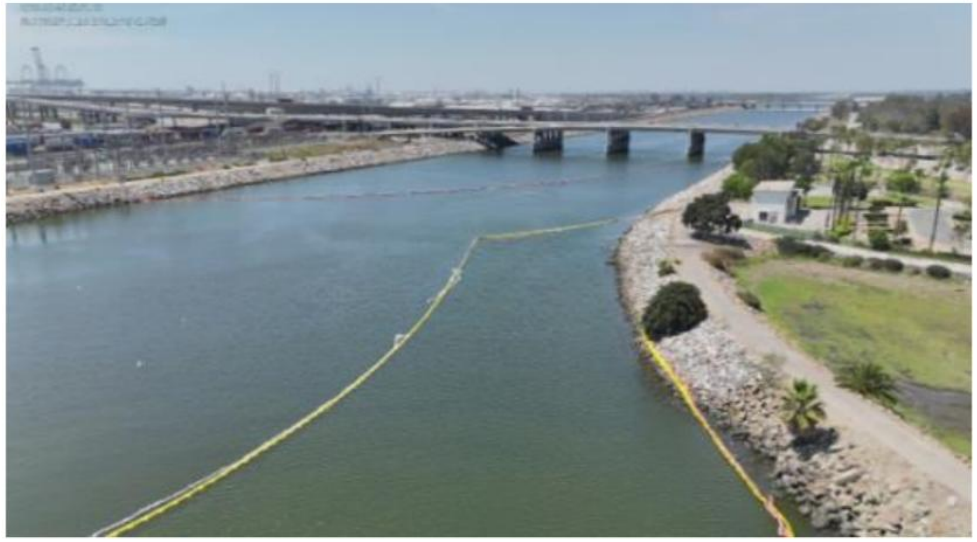
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Cleanup and remediation efforts continue throughout the LA River





Containment boom remains in place at Pacific Coast Highway

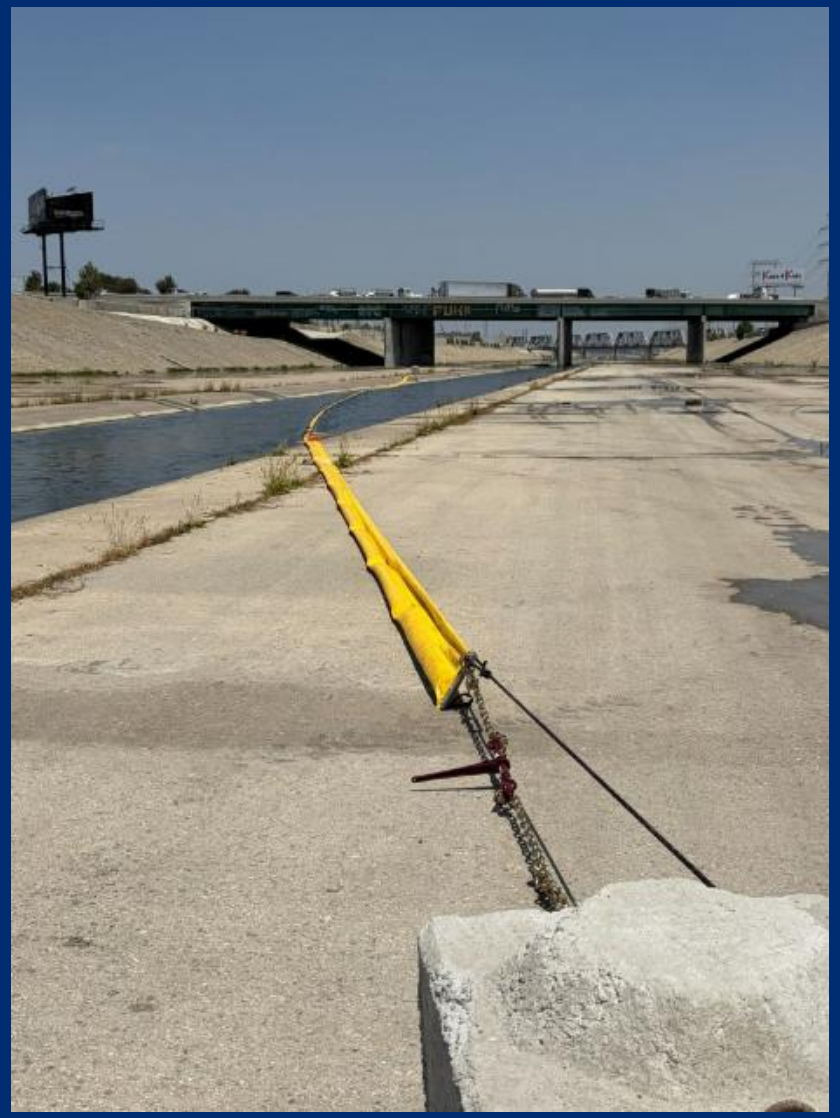


Protective boom remains in place at the entry to Long Beach Harbor

June 12, 2026



Clean-up activities continue in LA River between Gage and Rosecrans Avenue



Boom remains in place north of Imperial Highway on the LA River

June 23, 2026

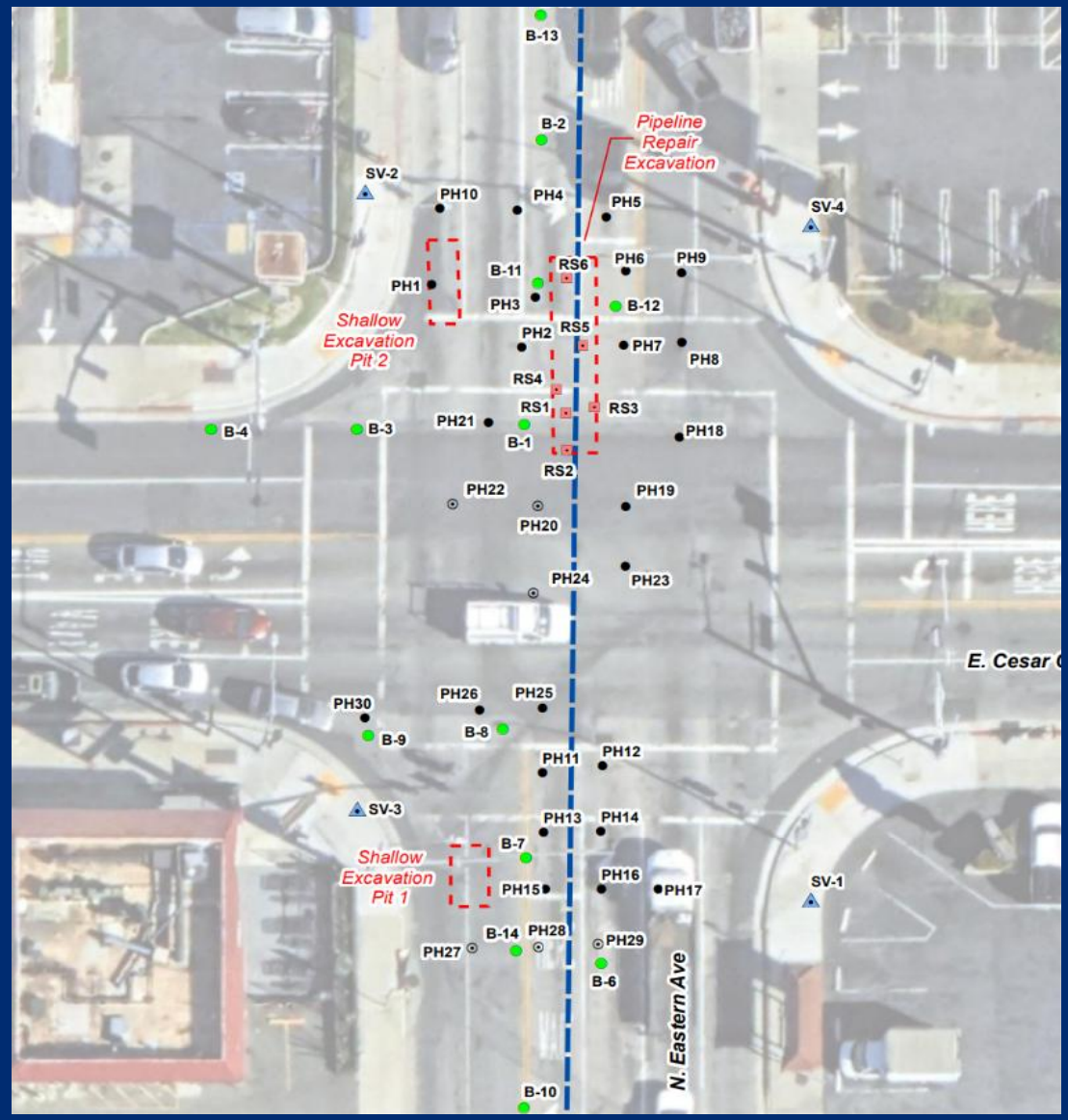


Crews conducted final signoff inspections along the LA River on June 22, confirming that the response had met cleanup endpoints.

Site Investigation Report – Aug 28, 2026

Sampling Locations
- Soil Boring
- Soil Vapor Probe
- Hand Auger (Soil Sample)
- Hand Auger (PID)
- Hand Auger (Excavation Sample)
- Excavation Areas
- PPS Oil Pipeline (Line 63)

Additional soil sampling conducted June 27-July 2.



Next Steps

Los Angeles Regional Water Board

- Complete Review of Site Investigation Report
- Coordinate review efforts with key partnering agencies
- Issue directive to responsible party for further investigation
- Require additional monitoring from cities

County Agencies

- Review permit applications for construction/excavation in road right of way
- Require air monitoring during excavation, backfill, road reconstruction
- Continue to conduct community outreach regarding remediation

Contacts/Resources

Small Business Support (OSB): (844) 432-4900 osb@opportunity.lacounty.gov (mention "East LA oil spill")

In-Person Help: East LA Entrepreneurship Center, 4716 E. Cesar Chavez Ave.

Health Complaints (headaches, nausea): (626) 430-9821 DPH-OEJCH@ph.lacounty.gov

Air Quality / Odor Complaints: (800) 288-7664 (South Coast AQMD)

Damage Claims Hotline: (877) 817-5465

Updates on Remediation: https://recovery.lacounty.gov/disasters/east-la-oil-spill/

State Water Resource Control Board Geotracker website:
https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T10000025067