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RE: Site visit to Holcim Mason City

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Thank you Matt, I really appreciated. Did you visit the Lehigh facility too?

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Subject: Site visit to Holcim Mason City

I completed the site visit to the now closed Holcim in Mason City yesterday.

I met with John Flores and Dave Frankie (sp?) who are only staff on site.

We drove to the West Quarry Remediation Area to inspect and photograph the 9 monitoring wells and the 6 extraction wells that service the site and the water treatment facility and surface water retention pond. We did not inspect the monitoring wells on the east (facility) side of the site since the quarry area is the part of the site subject to the remediation.

I will send the photos of the MW and Extraction wells, treatment system and outfall locations via a separate email

General comment: The grass cover looks to be in excellent conditions

My recommendations after the visit:

- **All well signs** (both extraction and monitoring) are in poor condition and need new signage.
- All monitoring wells were locked but not all extraction well covers were locked.
- Monitoring wells **3A and 3B** are located in a grove of trees on the railroad property and should be abandoned.
- MW-4 located on RR property needs bumper protector(s)
- There are abandoned wells (EW4) on the site that should be removed

- The pump house down by the retention pond is functioning on a "wing and prayer". I would require Holcim to upgrade the pumping system cover (you will see what I mean in the photos).

I hope this "report" (and photos) covers what you wanted from our site visit?

Next week I will be at LeHigh cement to conduct a similar inspection.

Regards

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