



Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC
Rockies Express Pipeline LLC

July 19, 2024

Debbie-Anne A. Reese, Acting Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, NE, Room 1A
Washington, DC 20426

Re: Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC and Rockies Express Pipeline LLC
Request to Commence Service
Trailblazer Conversion Project
Docket No. CP22-468-000

Dear Acting Secretary Reese:

On May 27, 2022, Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC ("Trailblazer") and Rockies Express Pipeline LLC ("Rockies Express") (together the "Applicants") filed a joint application for authorization to abandon, construct, and operate certain facilities comprising its Trailblazer Conversion Project (the "Project").¹ On October 23, 2023, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("Commission") issued an order granting the Applicants the requested authorizations.²

Pursuant to Environmental Condition No. 10 of the Appendix to the Order, the Applicants must receive written authorization from the OEP before placing the Project into service. Such authorization will only be granted following a determination that rehabilitation and restoration of the right-of-way and other areas affected by the Project is proceeding satisfactorily. The Applicants are herein providing details in compliance with this condition.

Specifically, Rockies Express is requesting authorization to place into service on August 1, 2024, the facilities referred to in the Application as the "New REX Facilities,"³ with the exception of the following:⁴ (i) the booster compressor station known as Hereford Ranch Compressor Station in Weld County, Colorado; (ii) the booster compressor station known as Redtail Compressor Station in Kimball County, Nebraska; (iii) one of the two booster compressors at Logan Compressor and Regulating Station in Logan

¹ "Joint Abbreviated Application of Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC and Rockies Express Pipeline, for Certificate and Abandonment Authorization," filed in Docket CP22-468-000 on May 27, 2022 (the "Application").

² *Trailblazer Pipeline Company LLC and Rockies Express Pipeline LLC*, 185 FERC ¶ 61,039 (October 23, 2023) (the "Order").

³ Application at 13 – 15.

⁴ As identified in Resource Report 1, Table 1-1 of the Application.

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County, Colorado; and (iv) the Sedgwick pipeline tap at mile marker 118.7 in Sedgwick County, Colorado (collectively the “Excluded Facilities”).⁵

The Project can function as designed and allow the flow of gas at the certificated levels independent of the Excluded Facilities being completed. Rockies Express submits that the New REX Facilities, with the exception of the four Excluded Facilities noted above, are to be mechanically complete by July 22, 2024.

The current Project disturbance footprint will continue to be utilized at the Excluded Facilities while construction continues, preventing restoration activities at those sites at this time. It is anticipated construction of the Excluded Facilities, including restoration activities, will be complete by October 23, 2024, in compliance with the Order. Rockies Express affirms that all remaining activities, including maintenance of erosion controls and restoration, will be consistent with all applicable conditions and in accordance with the Plan and Procedures.

Provided herein as Attachment A to this request are photos of the construction sites for the New REX Facilities that REX is seeking to place into service, which demonstrate that rehabilitation and restoration of the area affected by the Project is proceeding satisfactorily. The Applicants will request a separate written authorization to place the remaining facilities into service prior to their expected in-service date.

Respectfully submitted,



L. Drew Cutright
Vice President, Regulatory Affairs
Tallgrass Energy, LP

Authorized Representative of Trailblazer Pipeline LLC and Rockies Express Pipeline LLC

⁵ The booster compression facilities known as Sedgwick and Sedgwick East Compressor Stations in Sedgwick County, Colorado, are no longer needed as part of the project and, per the instruction of FERC Staff, the Applicants will file a future request with the Commission to remove those facilities from the scope of the Project. Therefore, those facilities are not included in the request for authorization to commence service.

Attachment A

Rehabilitation and Restoration Photos

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North Platte



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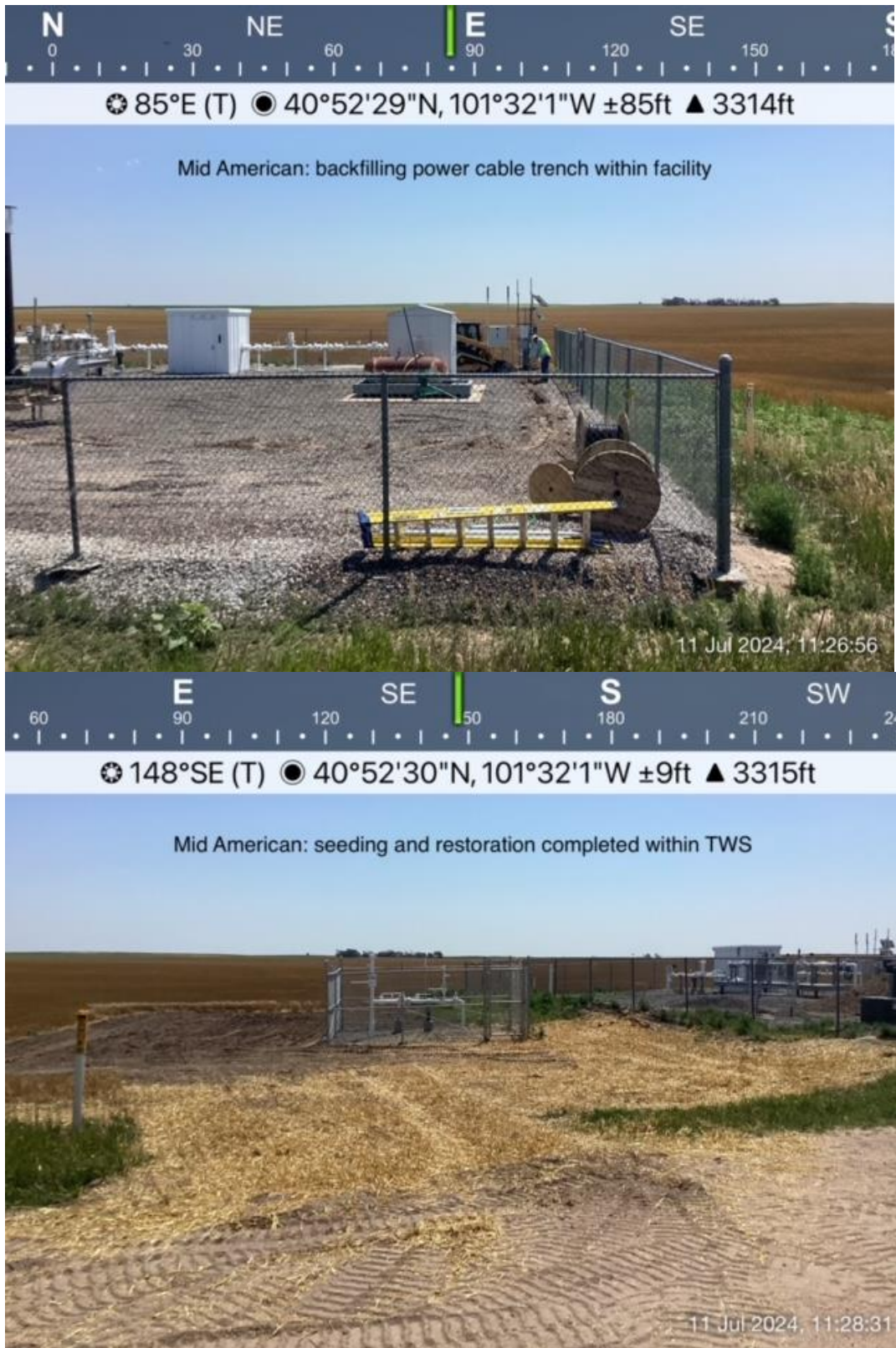


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Adams Meter Station



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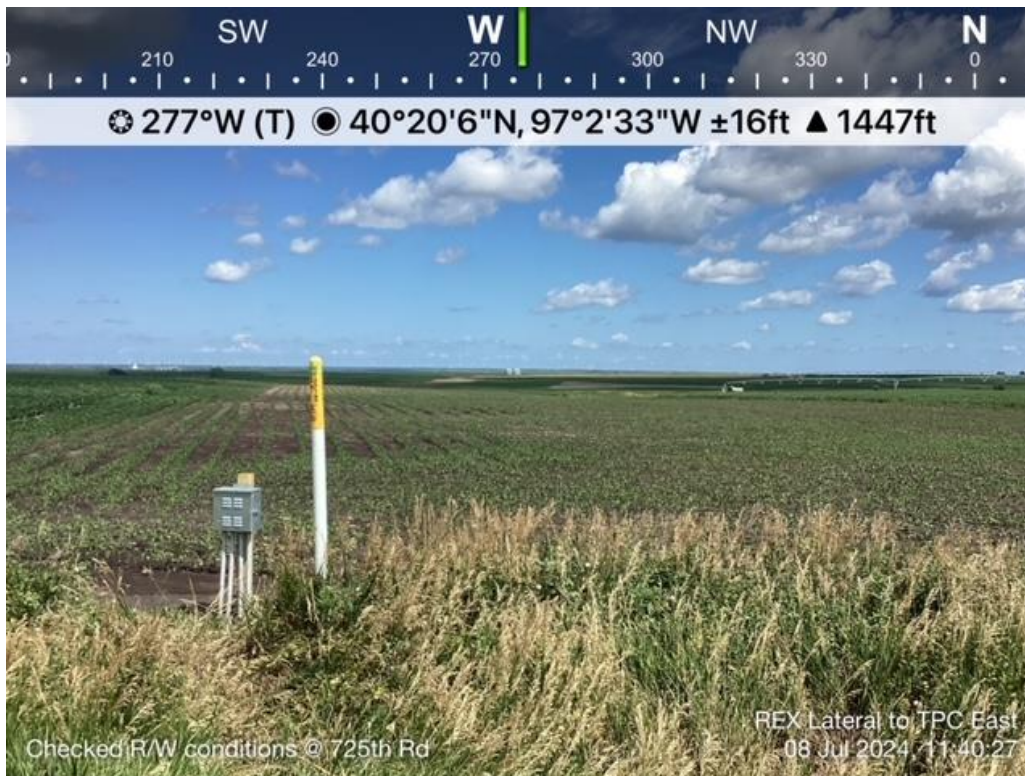
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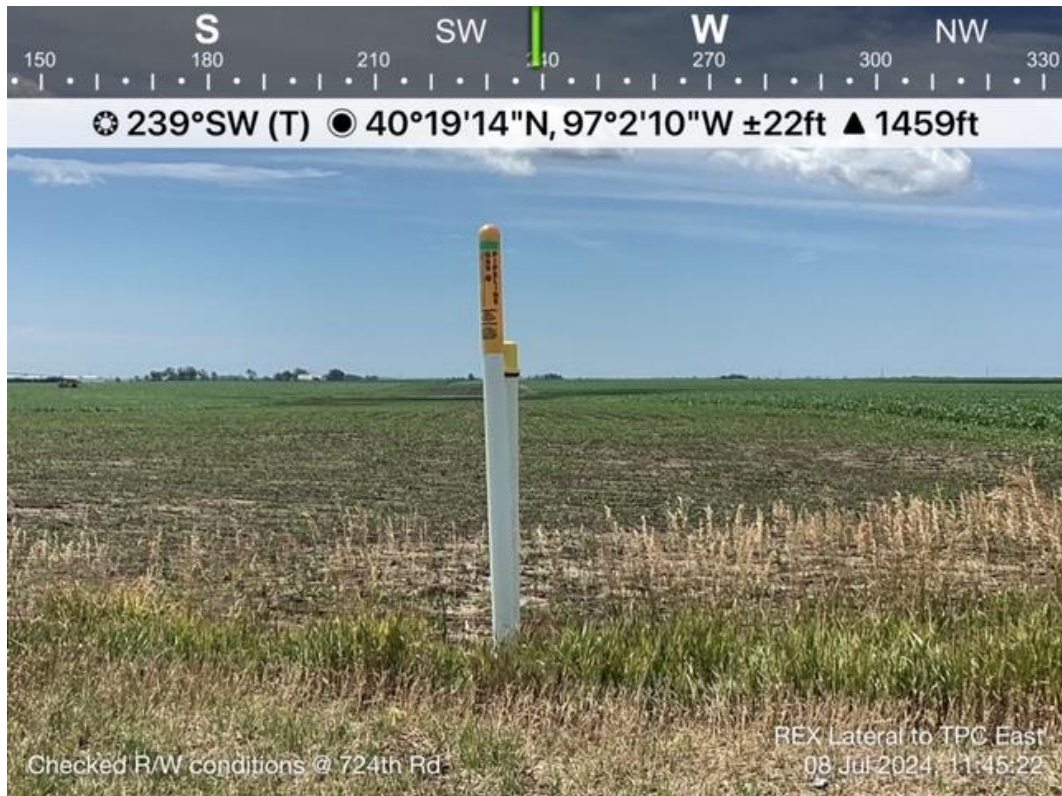
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36" REX Lateral to TPC East



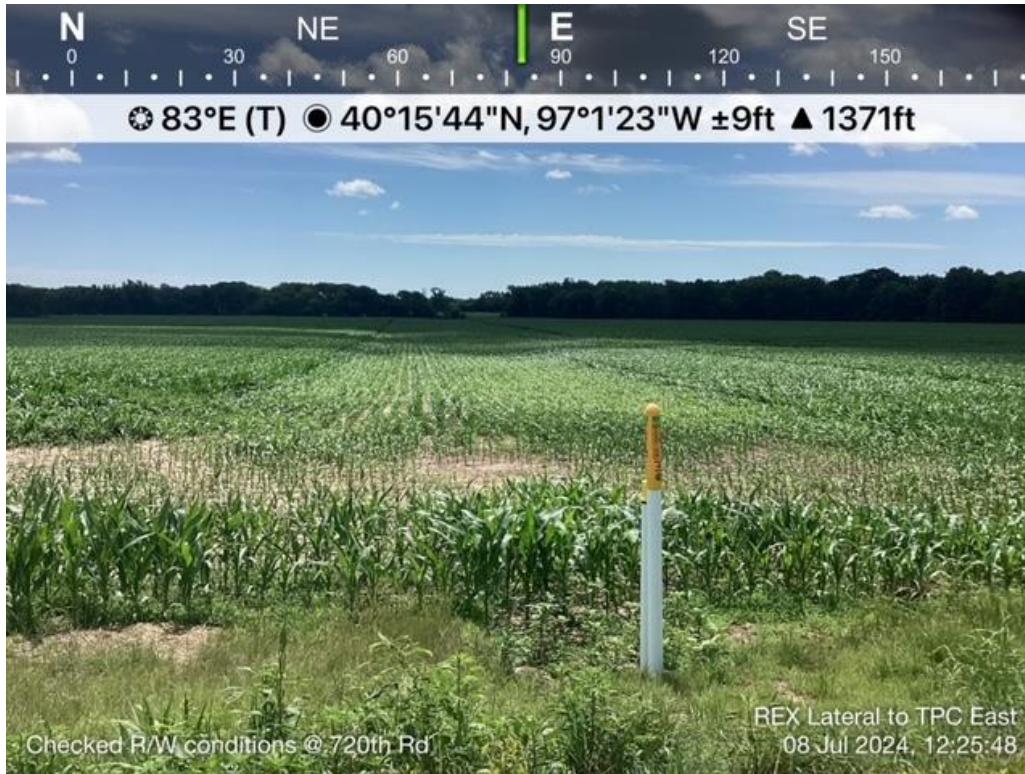
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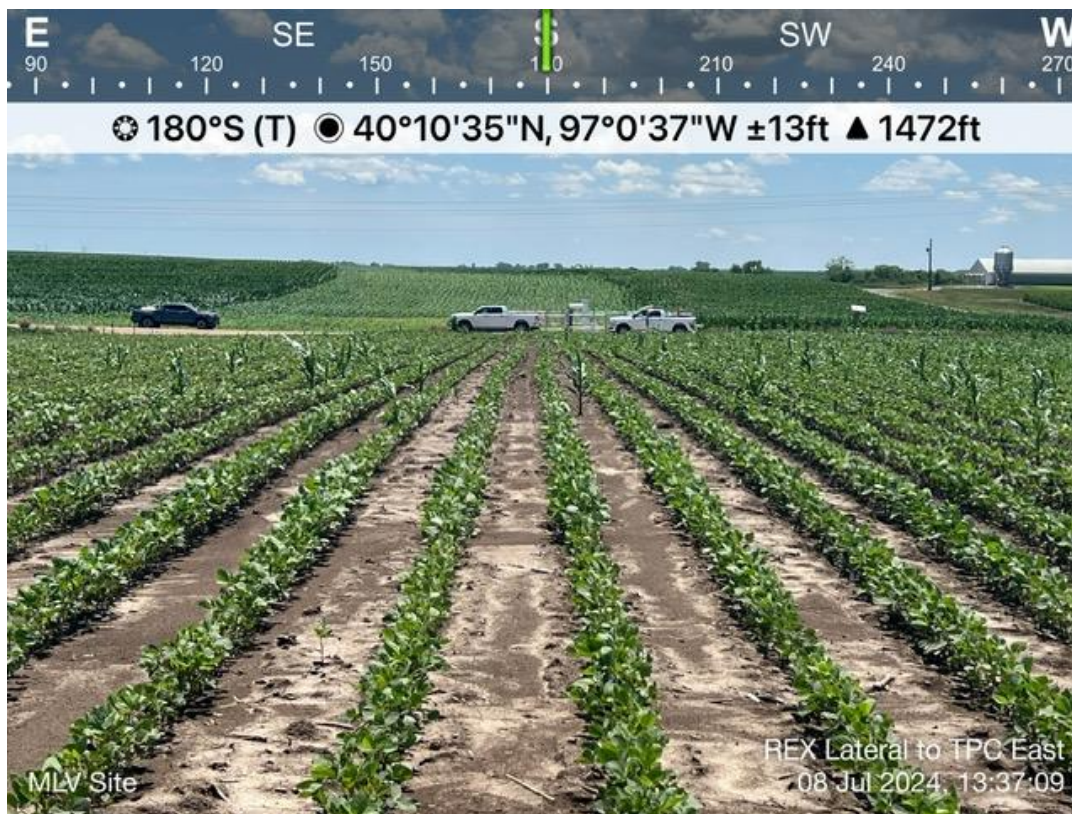
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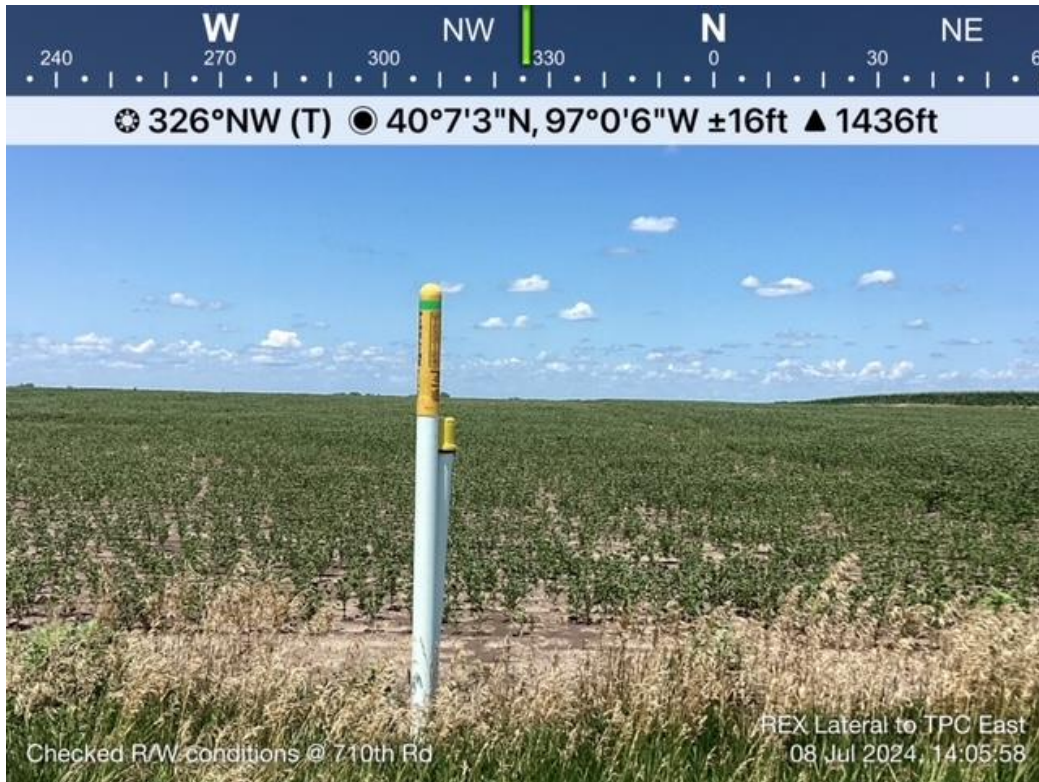
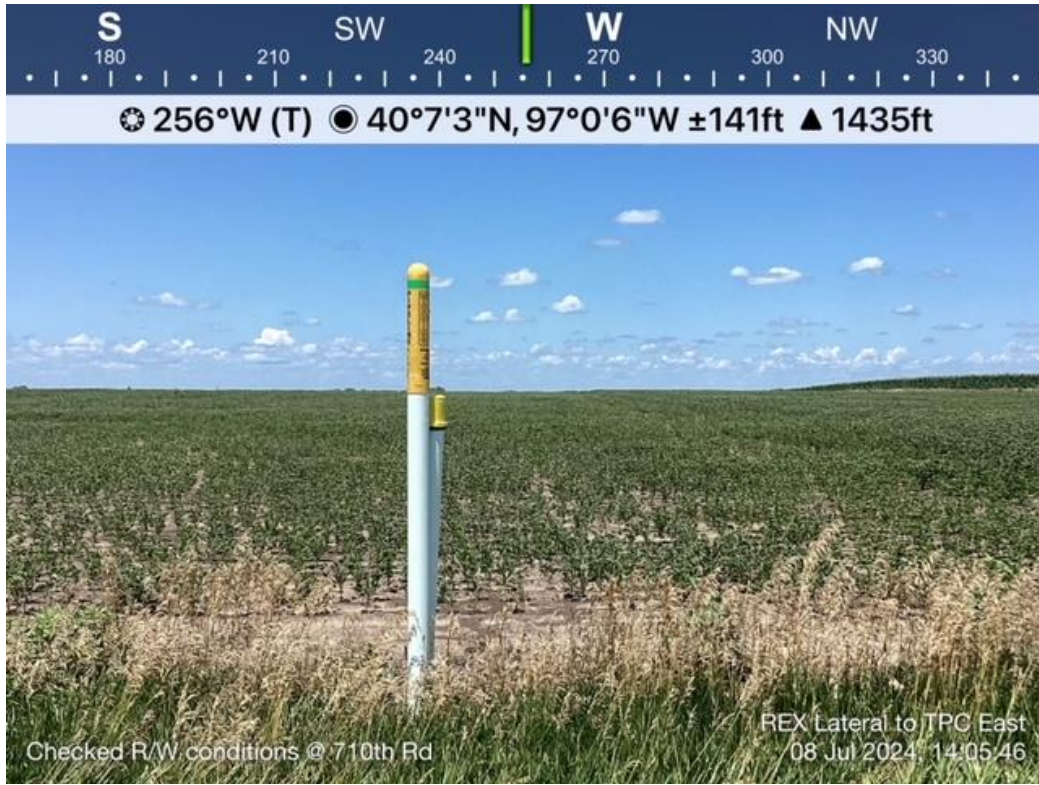
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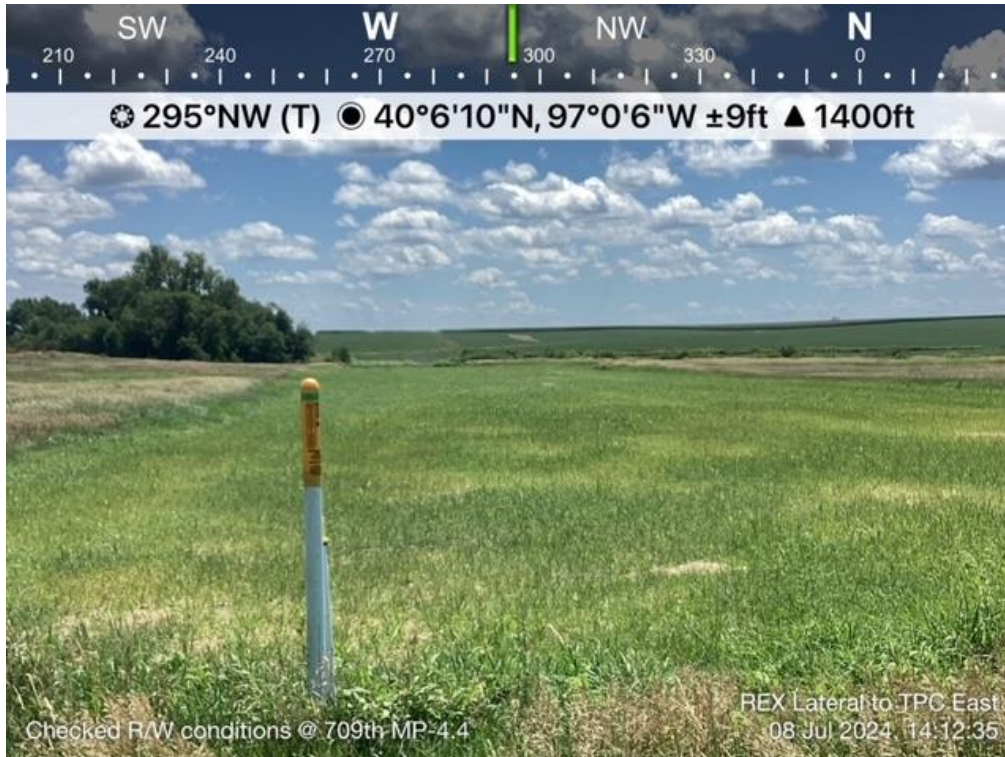
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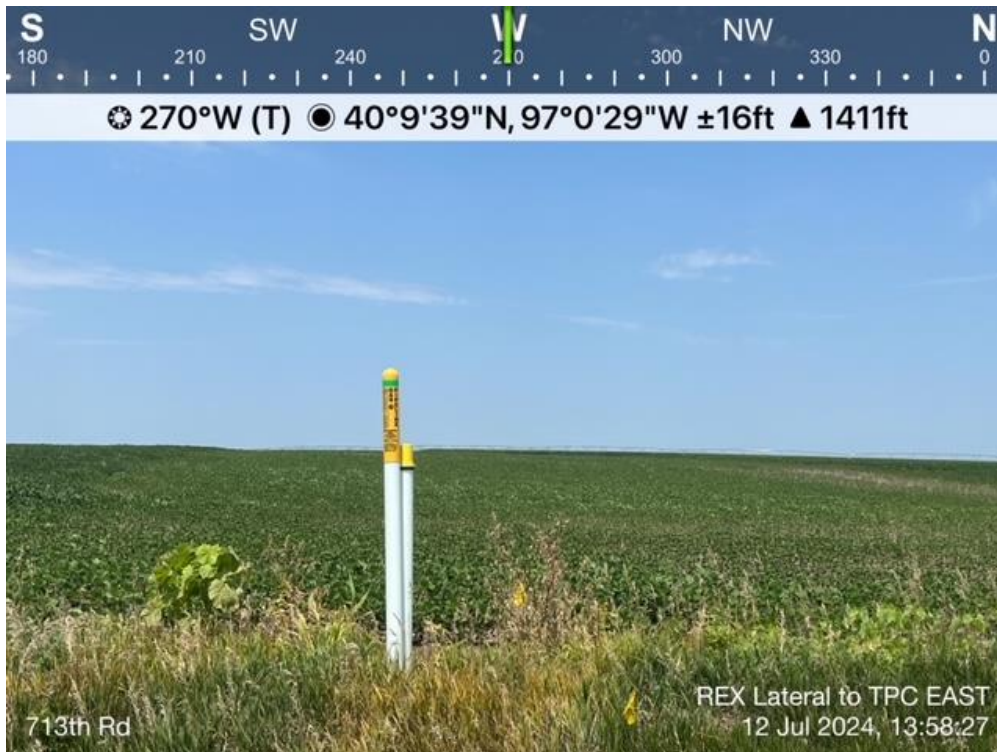
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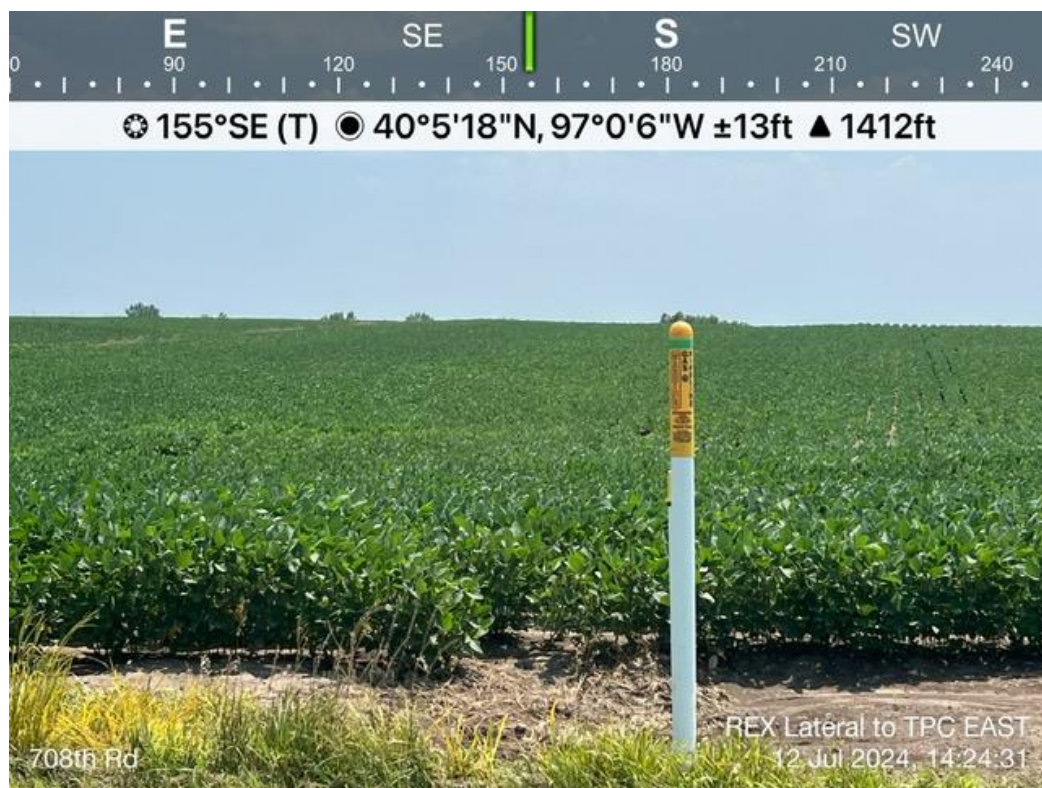
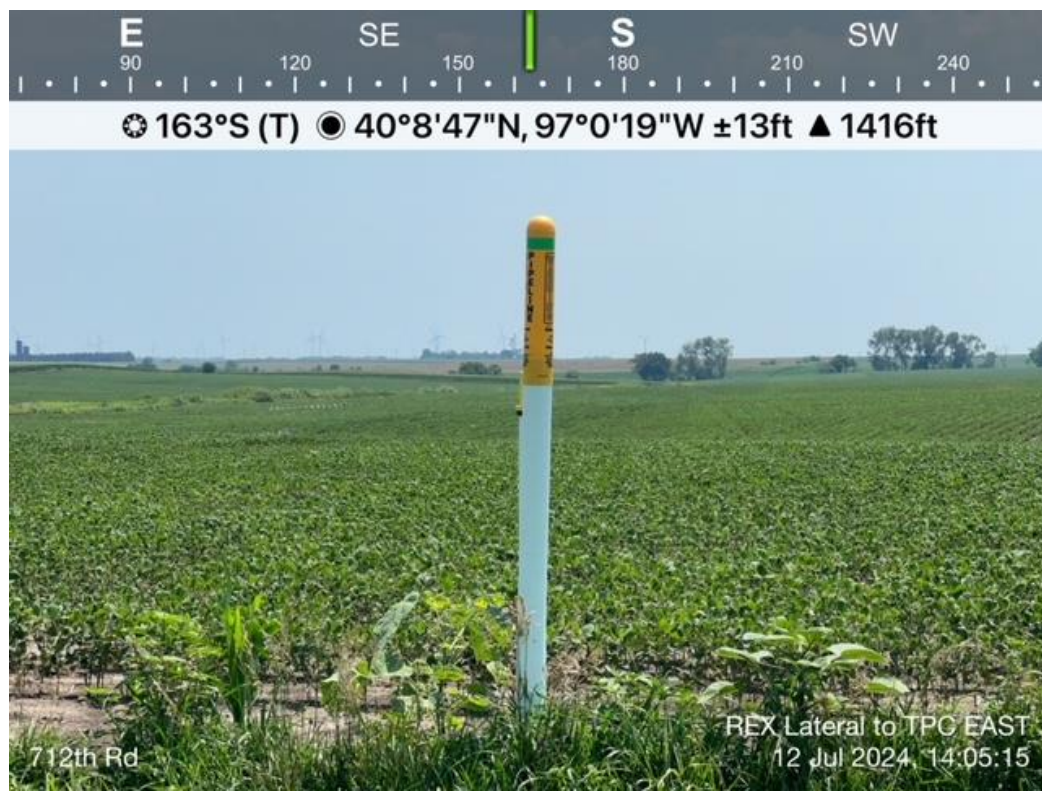
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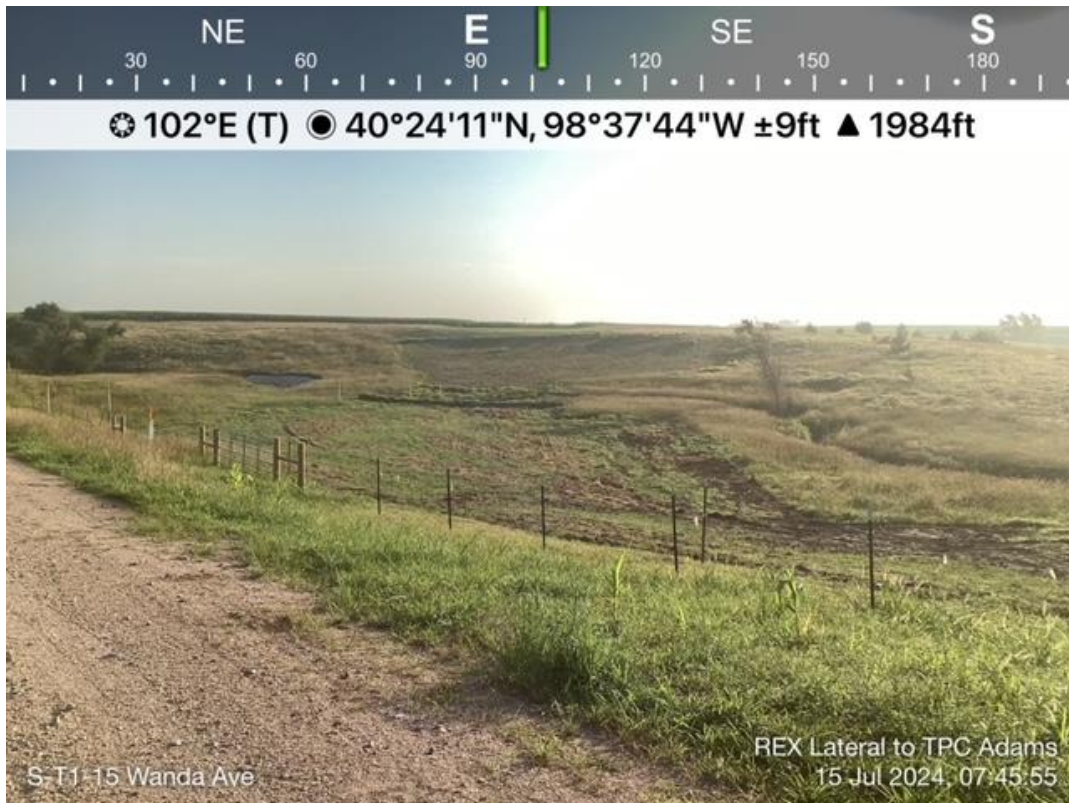
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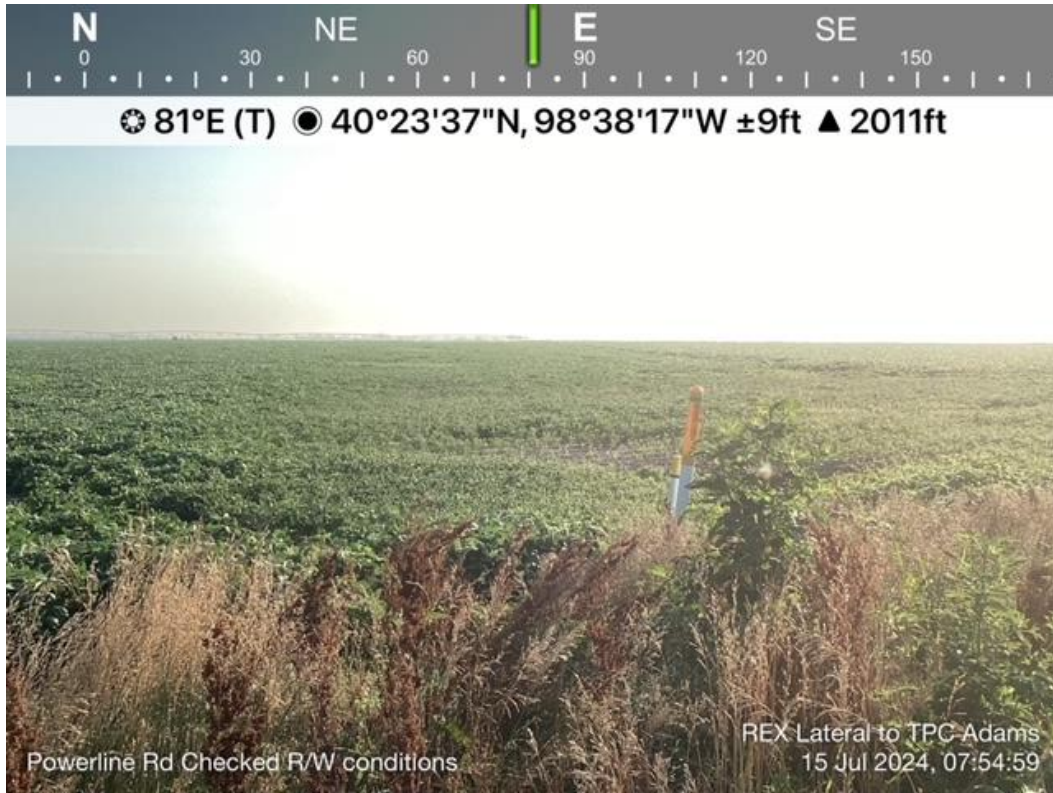
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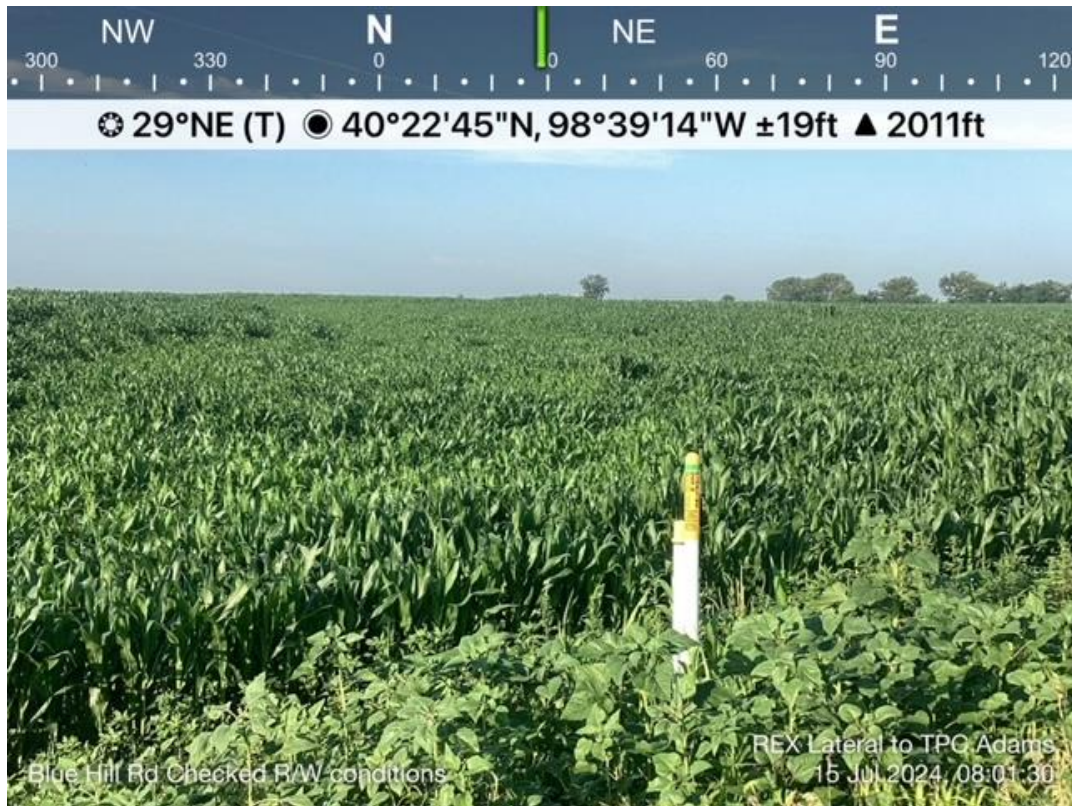
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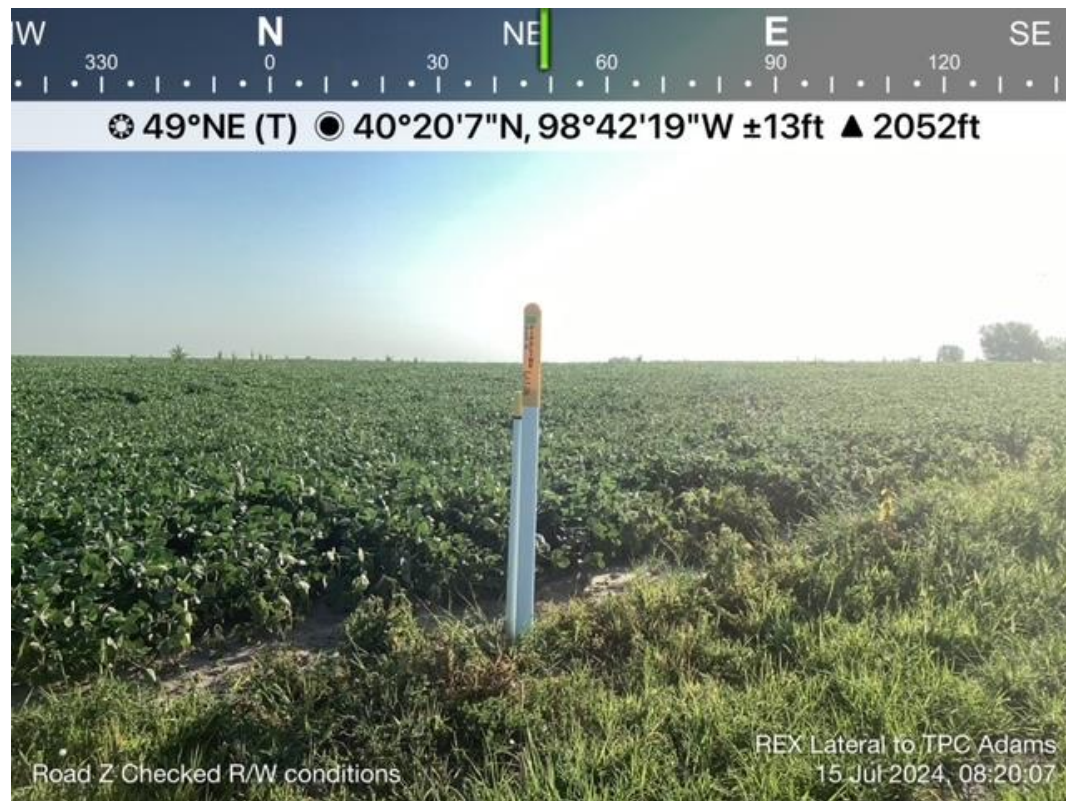


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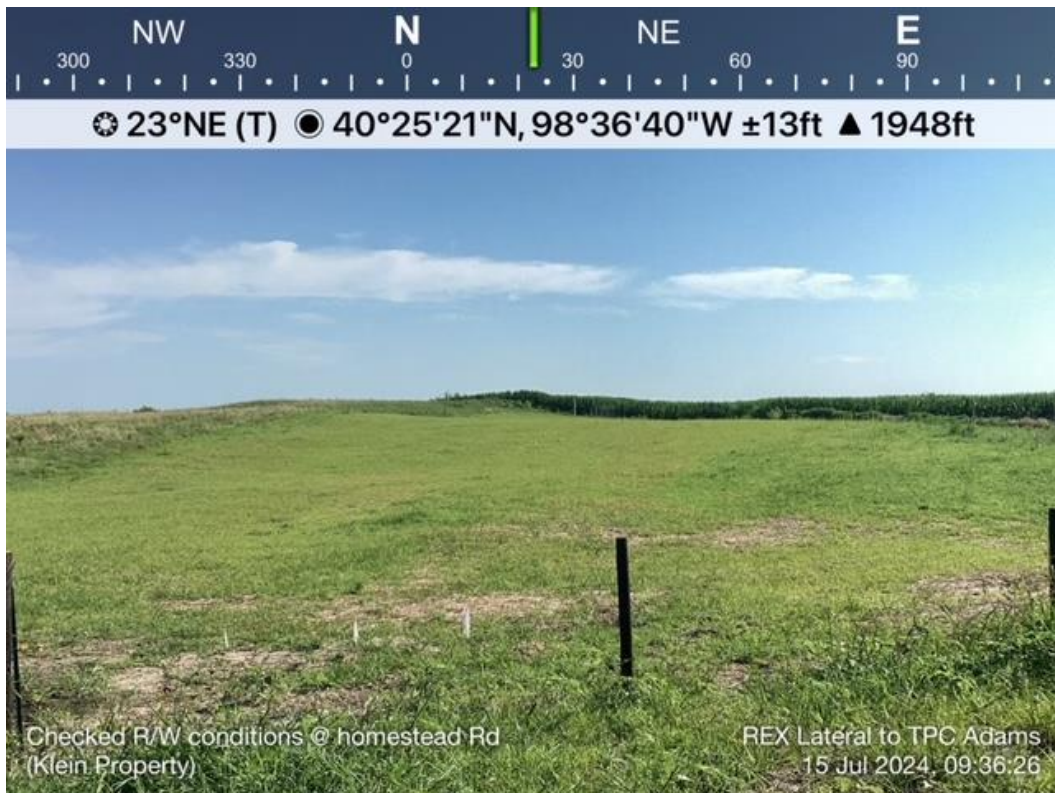
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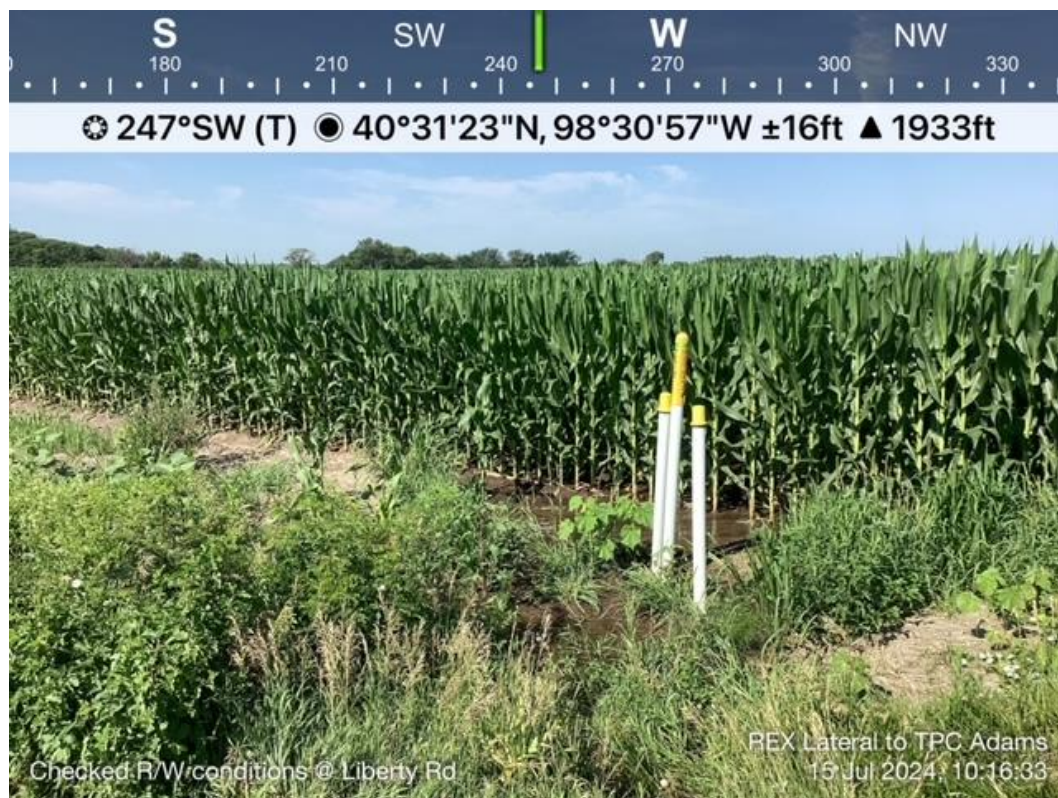
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REX to TPC Regulator and Meter Station



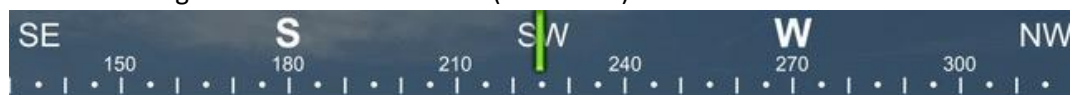
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