

Case Study: Tiltmeter Mapping of Amendment Fractures Emplaced in Sandstone Bedrock for In Situ Remediation

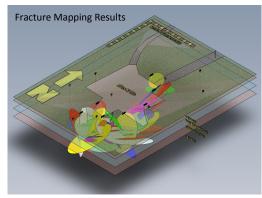
OVERVIEW

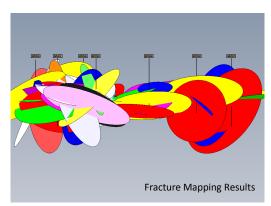
Site: A former Air Force Missile Site in Colorado

Subsurface Material: Sandstone Bedrock

Target Treatment and Fracturing Zone: 35 to 65 ft depth







CHALLENGES

- OBJECTIVES & Conduct 3D tiltmeter mapping for amendment fractures emplaced into bedrock
 - Determine the treatment area resulting from the amendment emplacement
 - Mapping required for fractures propagating under the missile facility infrastructure

- FIELD PROGRAM Up to 12 surface mounted tiltmeters were used to detect the micro-movements of the ground surface during fracturing
 - Mapping was conducted at 7 boreholes and for approximately 52 fractures

TECHNICAL The mapping results determined:

- EVALUATION the fractures provided coverage of approximately 60.000 ft²
 - the amendment was successfully distributed across the target interval of impacted bedrock sediments, including under the missile facility (see figures)
 - the extensive network of fractures provided significant contact with the TCE impacts

