

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice of Initiation of the Section 106 Process-Public Participation in accordance with the Federal Communications Commission regulations (47 CFR § 1.1307) for Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and for the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the Program Comment for Positive Train Control and Infrastructure. Union Pacific Railroad proposes to construct a monopole communications pole with associated equipment at the following approximate locations within the existing railroad right-of-way in/near the town of Comstock, Val Verde County, Texas:

- Coordinates: 29.719524, -101.239671; Mile Post #418.82, overall height of 45 ft.;
- Coordinates: 29.749311, -101.257696; Mile Post #421.11, overall height of 65 ft.

We respectfully request that parties interested in providing comment on the proposed undertaking relative to potential effects on cultural or historic properties should contact GSS, Inc., 3311 109<sup>th</sup> Street, Urbandale, IA 50322; Ph. (515) 331-2103, within 30 days of the date of this publication (GSS W19423-TX-1/2).

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By *M. Lantz*, Deputy



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November 26, 2019

GSS Project #W19423-TX-1/2

Honorable Generosa (Janie) Gracia-Ramon  
County Clerk  
P.O. Box 1267  
Del Rio, TX 78841-1267

**RE: NOTICE OF INITIATION OF THE SECTION 106 PROCESS - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION  
UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD - POSITIVE TRAIN CONTROL (PTC)  
MILE POST 418.82 AND 421.11 – SANDERSON SUBDIVISION, IN/NEAR THE TOWN OF COMSTOCK, VAL VERDE COUNTY, TEXASE**

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- Coordinates: 29.719524, -101.239671 (Mile Post #418.82)
- Coordinates: 29.749311, -101.257696 (Mile Post #421.11)

Union Pacific must comply with all Federal, State and local regulations governing the proposed facility. Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, requires Union Pacific to evaluate this project for any effect it may have on Historic Properties. As part of this evaluation, Union Pacific is required to publish Public Notice in an effort to gather comments on the potential effects of the proposed facility on Historic Properties.

The purpose of this letter is to:

- Notify your office that Public Notice seeking comments on the potential effects of the proposed construction on Historic Properties is scheduled to be published in the *Del Rio News-Herald* newspaper on November 20, 2019.
- Invite comments on the potential effects of the proposed facility on Historic Properties from your office and any other relevant individuals or groups that you may be aware of.

Attached to this letter are the following: street map, aerial maps/photographs, typical PTC pole design document and a copy of the wording published in the Public Notice.

**Please Note: All applicable zoning and permitting is handled directly by the railroad/applicant. This correspondence is in regard to the Section 106 Review Process only to aid in identifying any potential historic properties that may be affected by the proposed undertaking.**

We respectfully request that parties interested in submitting comments regarding any potential effects of the proposed facility on Cultural or Historic Properties, or questions regarding the project, may do so by sending them to GSS, Inc., 3311 109<sup>th</sup> Street, Urbandale, IA 50322 or by calling (515) 331-2103 within 30 days of the date of this letter.

Sincerely,  
**GSS, INC.**  
Enclosure

⊙ PTC Pole    ■ Non Excluded

△ Base Station    ■ Excluded

Exclusions based on Subsection A.1 of  
Section V of the Program Comment

MP 421.11

MP 418.82

3.05 mi

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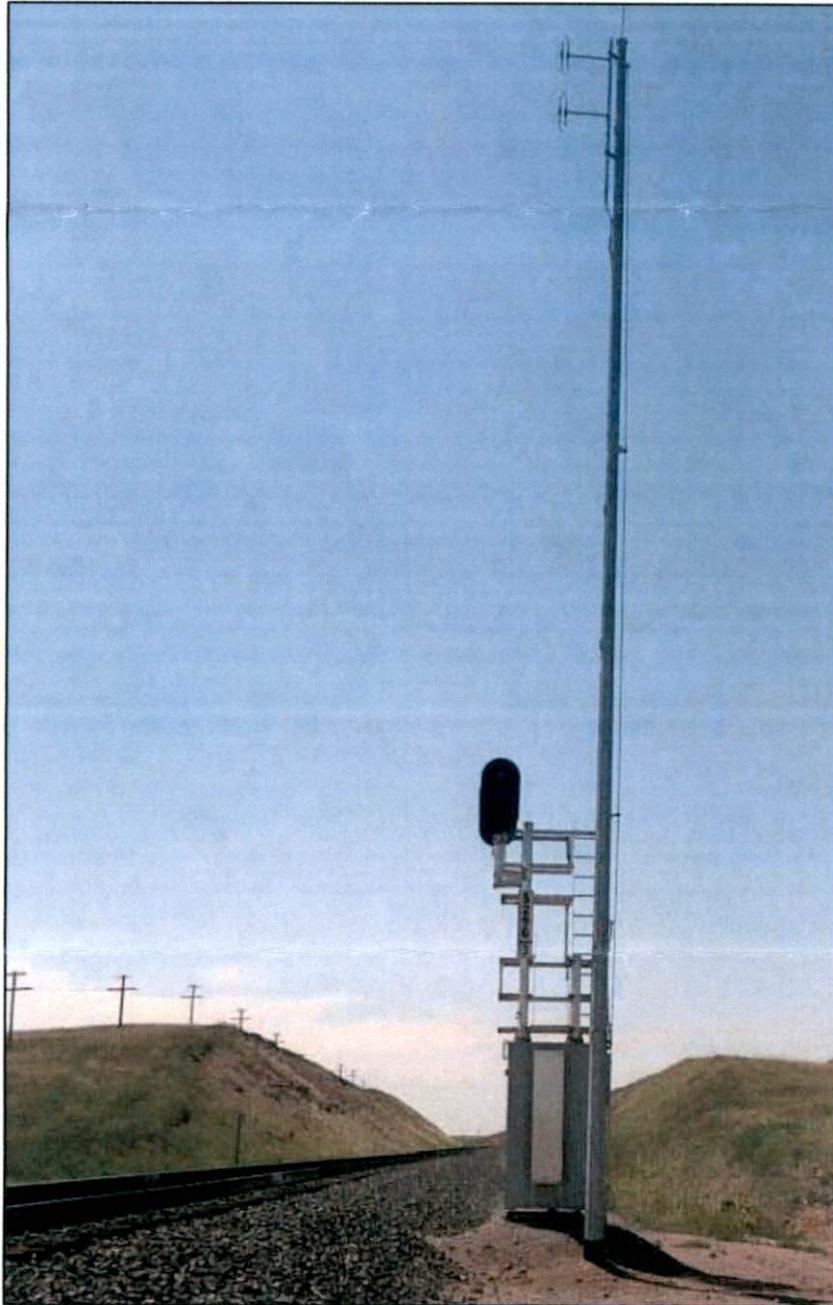
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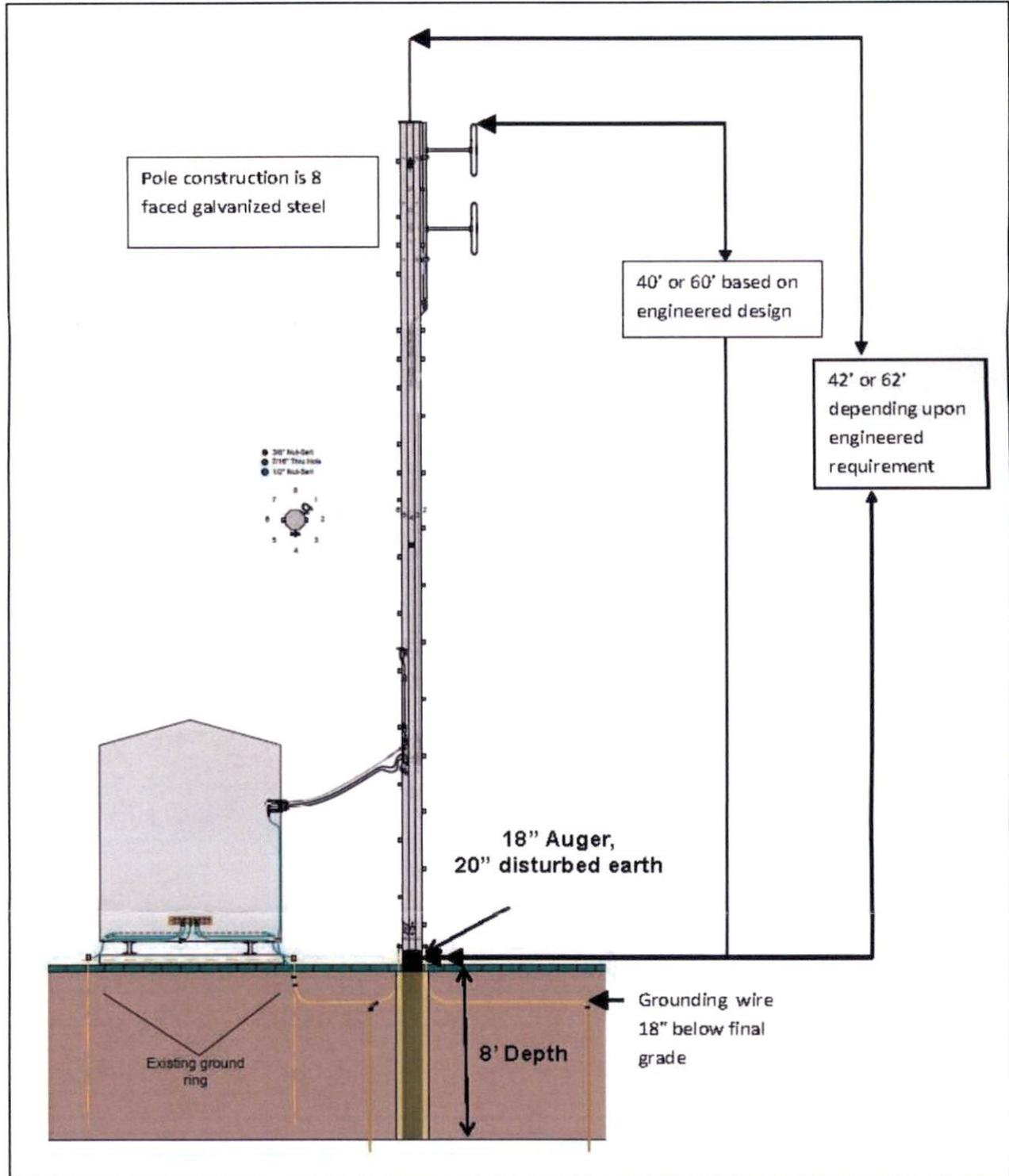
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UP Sanderson SUB, Val Verde County, Texas

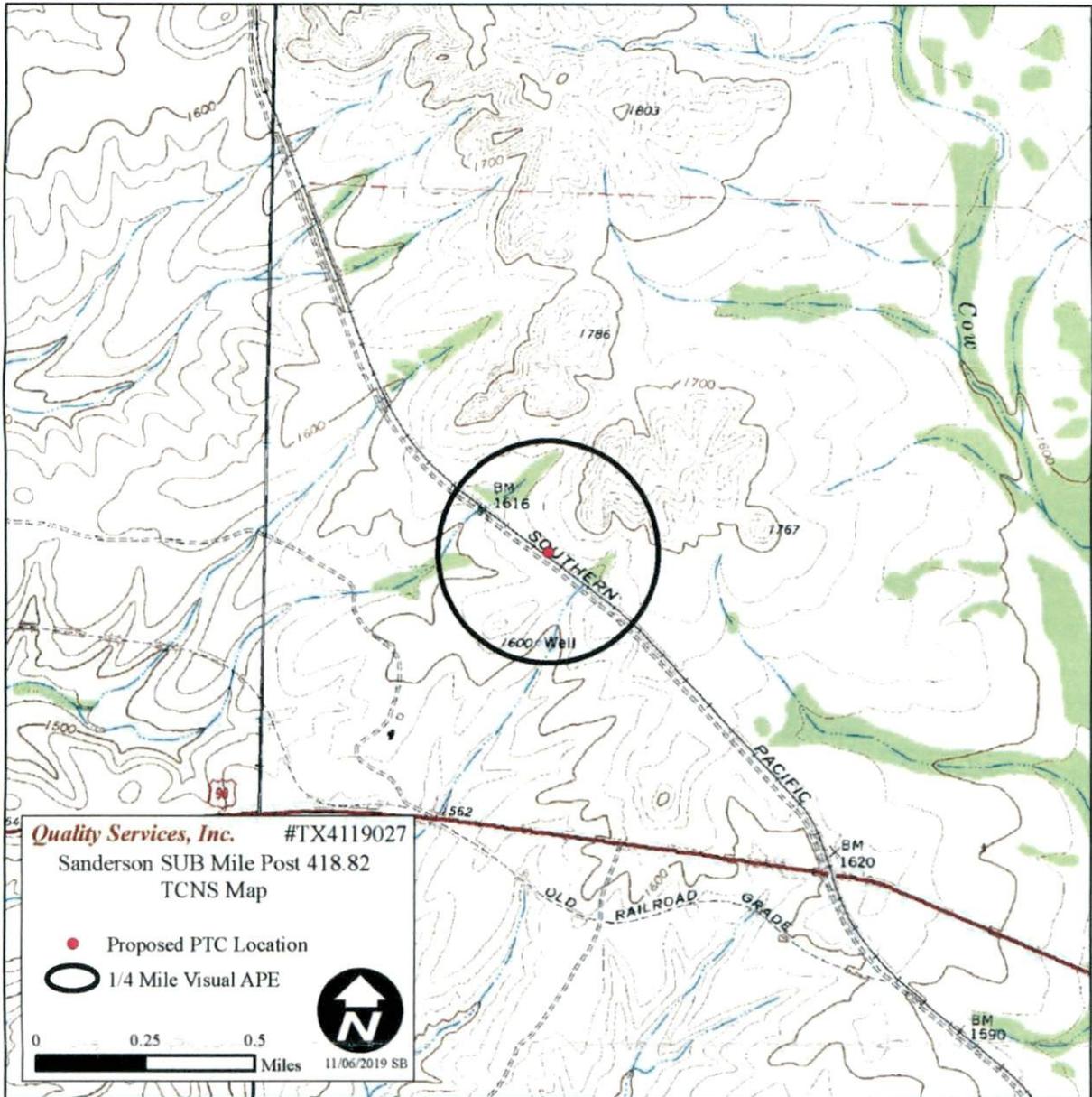
Mile Post	Type	Excluded
418.82	Pole	No
421.11	Pole	No



Standard pole and equipment bungalow example for Union Pacific Railroad's PTC poles.



Project plans for PTC pole installation, provided by Union Pacific.



Height and Type of Project: 45 ft. monopole tower  
 Installation Technique: Auger  
 Fill Material: None

UP PTC pole MP 418.82, Sanderson SUB, Val Verde County  
 Latitude: 29.719524 Longitude: -101.239671  
 USGS 7.5' Comstock, Texas topographic quadrangle 1972

**No historic properties present.**



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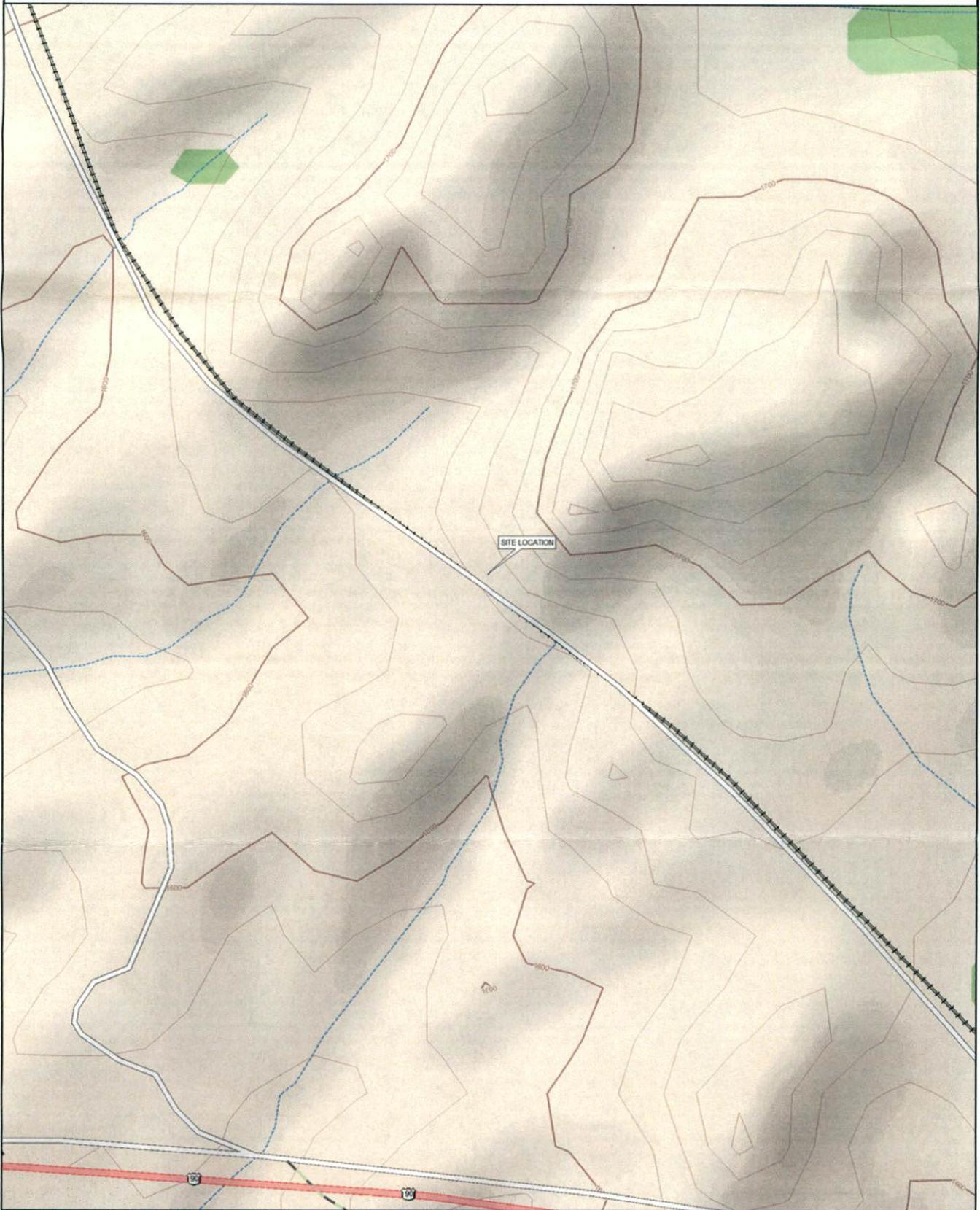
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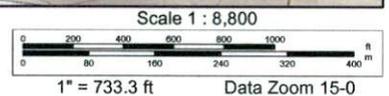
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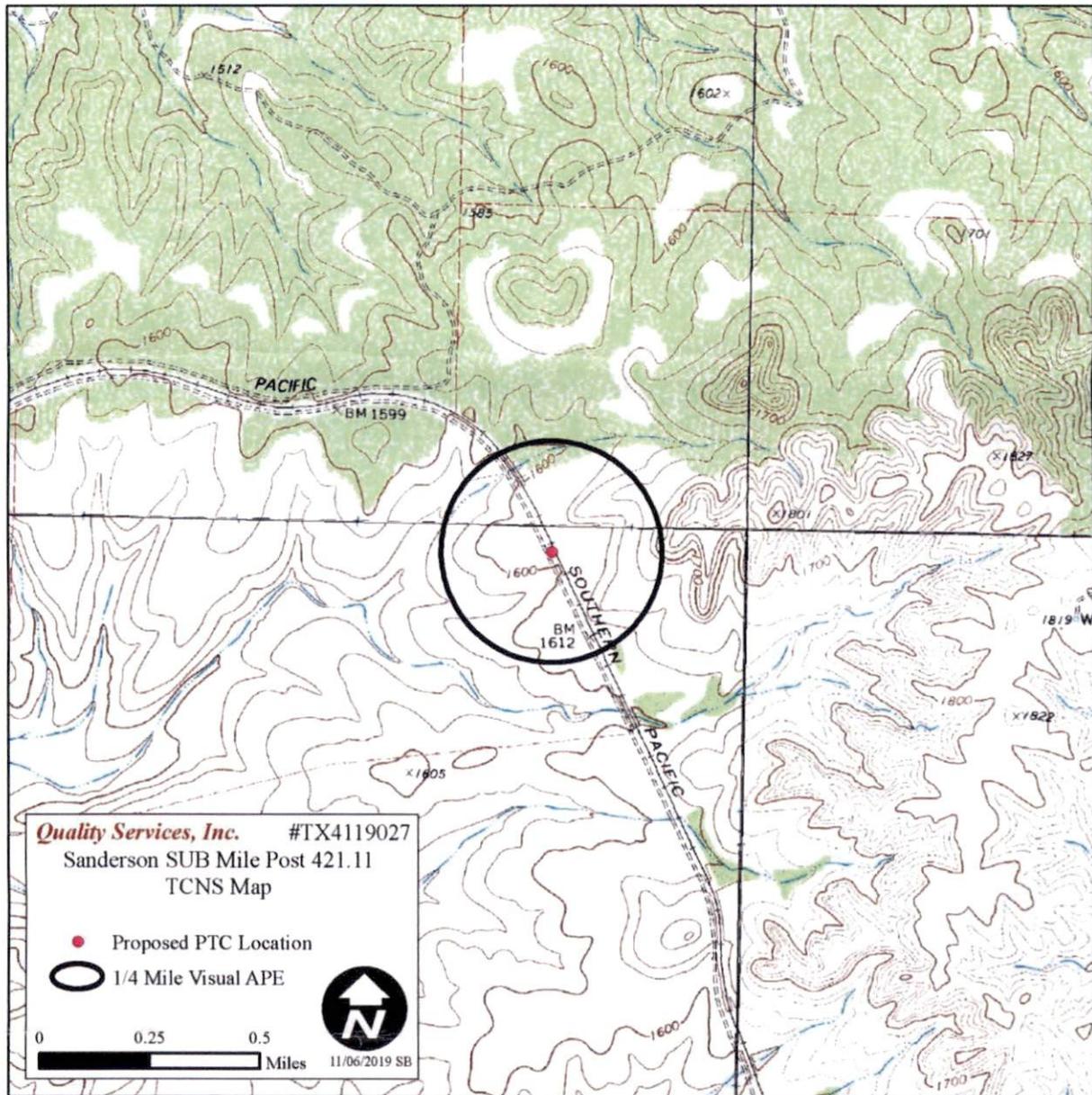


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Height and Type of Project: 65 ft. monopole tower  
 Installation Technique: Auger  
 Fill Material: None

UP PTC pole MP 421.11, Chester SUB, Alexander County  
 Latitude: 29.749311 Longitude: -101.257696  
 USGS 7.5' Seminole Canyon, Texas topographic quadrangle 1972

**No historic properties present.**



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200 ft



# W19423-TX UP SANDERSON SUB MP 421.11



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