



# Pedaling Towards Innovation & High-Accuracy GIS

**A case study on the development of the Cave Creek Utilities GIS**



Engineering  
Mapping  
Solutions

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# Agenda

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## Factoids

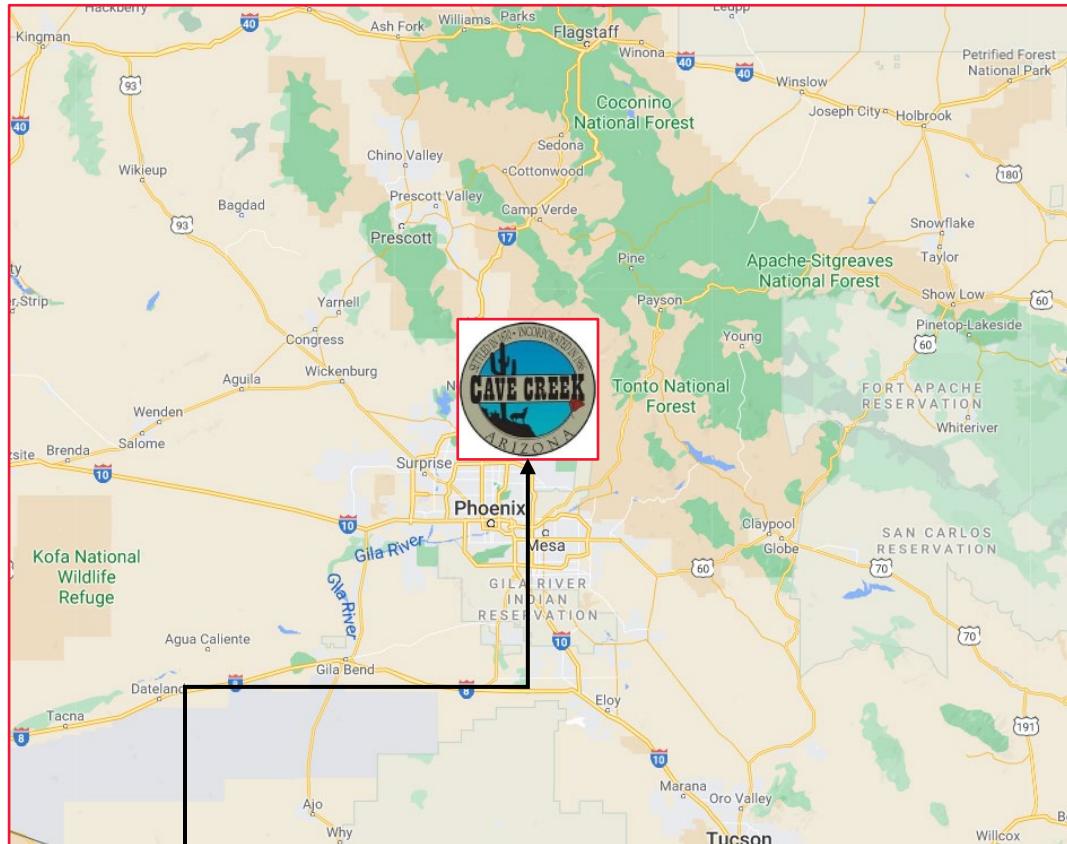
**The geospatial problem**

**A High-accuracy custom GIS solution**

**Analysis and results**

**Prophetic declarations & questions**

# Factoids



## Cave Creek, Arizona

**Cave Creek was originally settled in 1870. It is approximately 30 square miles, located north of Phoenix. Cave Creek Water is a water and sewer utility system servicing approximately 1600 households.**

**EMS was founded in 1995 focusing on the development of engineering accurate digital mapping.**

**A leading GIS company in the state with emphasis on wet utilities database development and custom software deployment.**

**GIS project started in 2019. Our goal - to build an accurate GIS that is functional, scalable and cost efficient.**

**Bad Elf & custom GIS deployed 2020.**

# Our Challenges

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**The Town has had various data sources over the years including:**

- **Engineering As-Builts**
- **Previous Engineering Water and Sewer Modeling**
- **Field Mark-ups**
- **Various “Schematic” GIS drawings**
- **Traditionally high-cost associated with field data collection**

Town of Cave Creek employee Shawn Kreuzwiesner expressed that “*we’re working with a system that is over fifty years old, not built to a municipal standard, and poorly documented.*”

# Our Solution

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- **Create the GIS from the ground up using engineering as-builts against the accurate land base.**
- **Follow behind with field data validation through observations and GPS measurements.**
- **Leverage the newest GIS mapping and collaboration technology**
  - **ESRI ArcMap and ArcGIS Pro**
  - **ArcGIS Online via AZGEO**
  - **ESRI FieldMaps for ArcGIS**
  - **High Accuracy GNSS Technology – Bad Elf Flex**
  - **Custom 360 degree Imagery & Object Viewer**

# One Reality is all that Matters

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**Control: GDACS set the stage for the Maricopa County Landbase ('90s).**

**Parcel Base: Maricopa County parcels georeferenced to GDACS.**

**Aerial Base: Maricopa County Aerials fit to GDACS.**

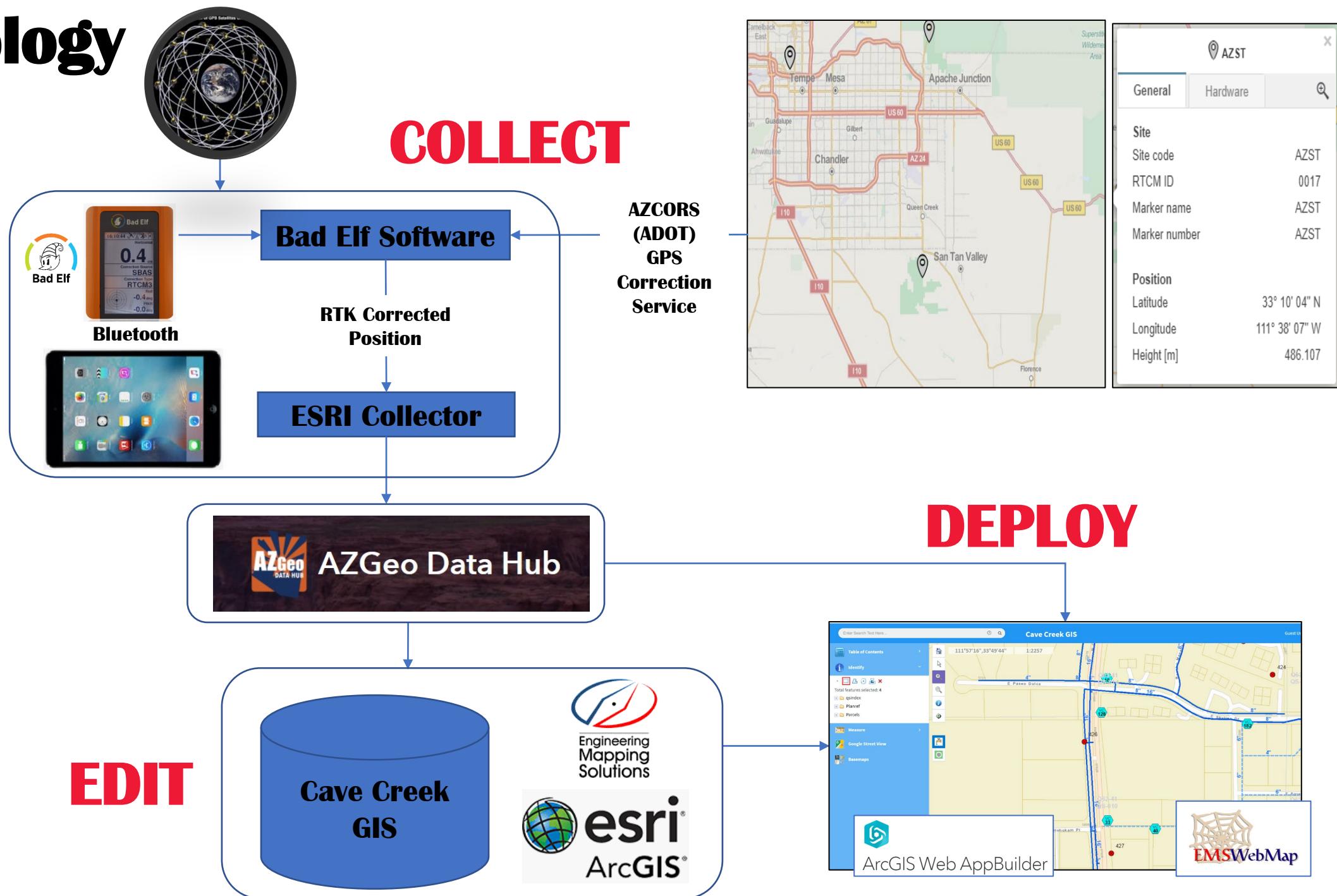
**Maricopa county has established the reality.**



***Bad Elf Flex fits that reality!***

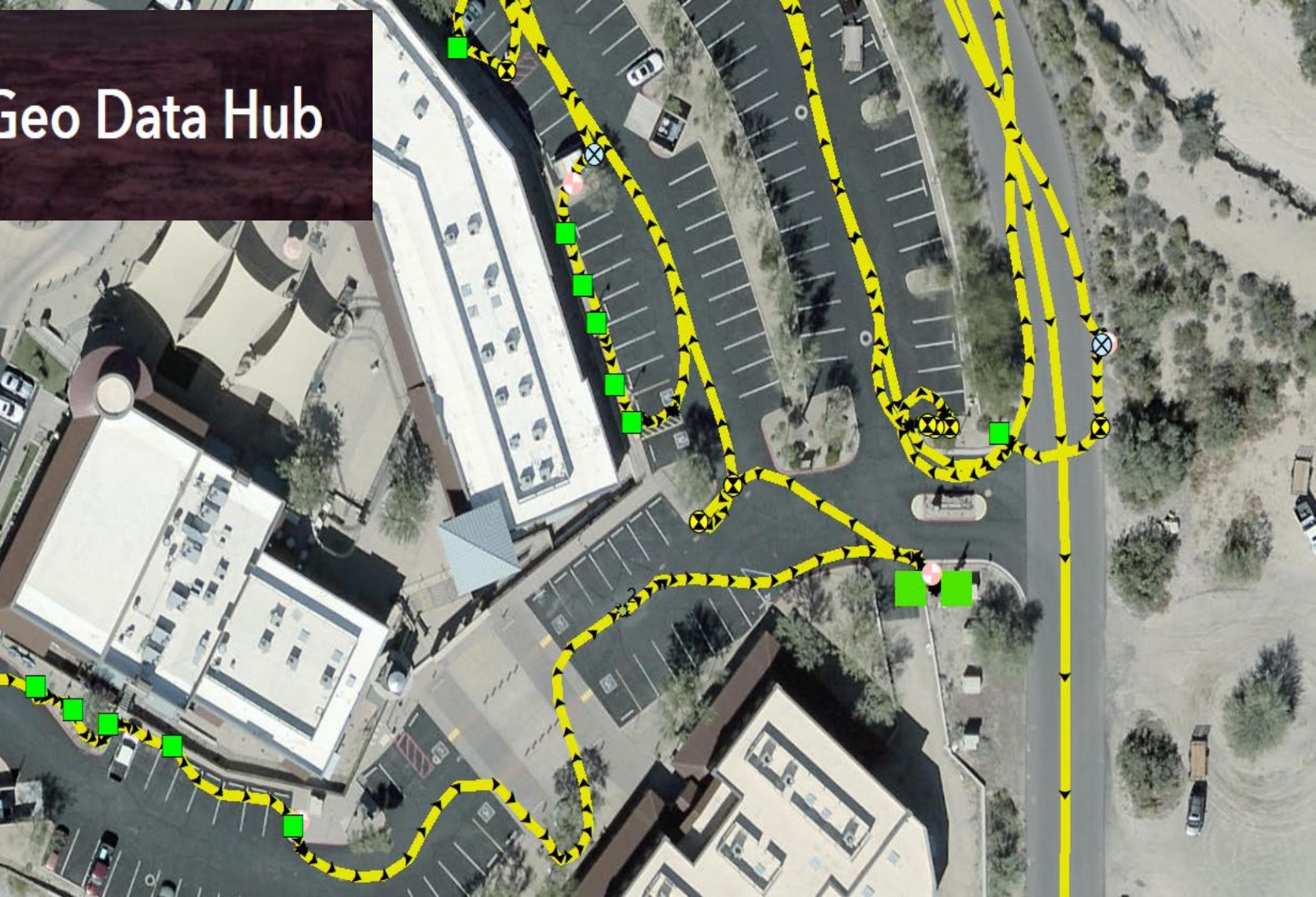
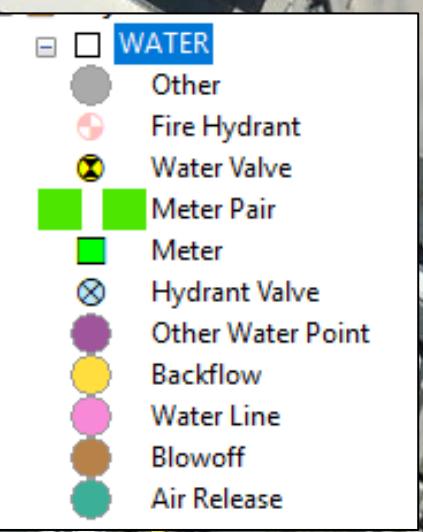


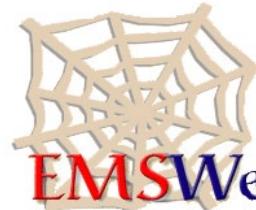
# Methodology





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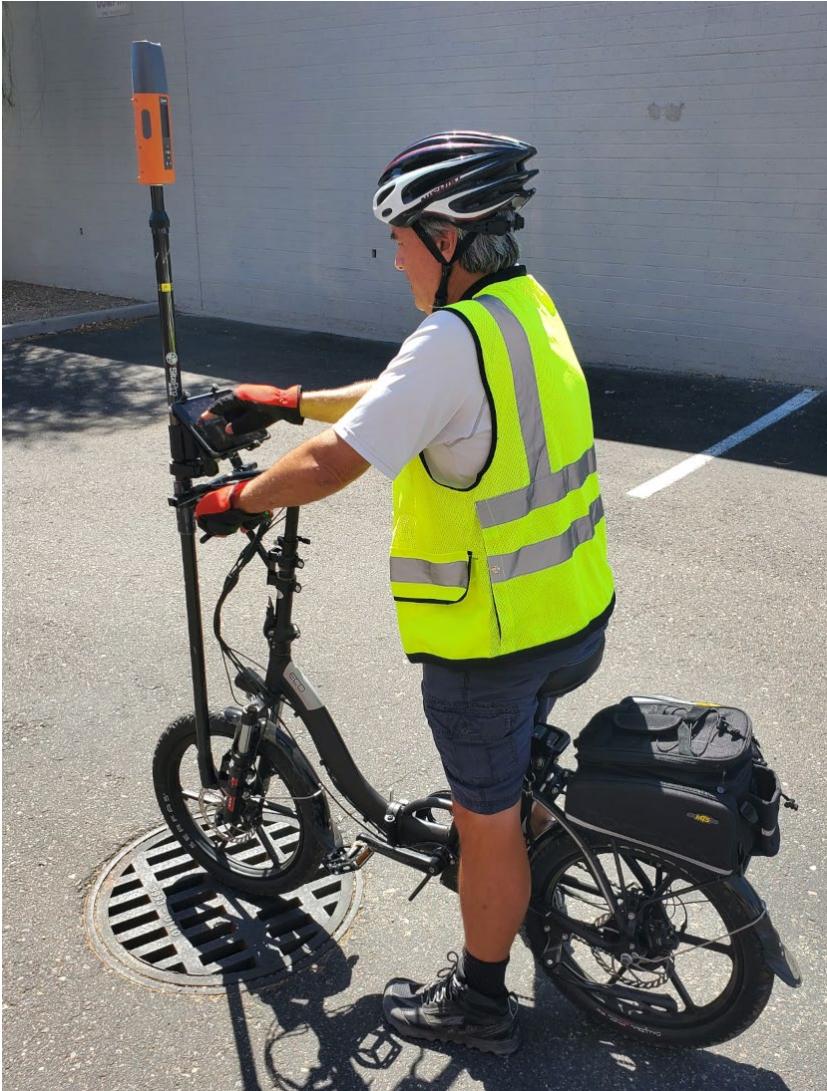




# EMSWebMap



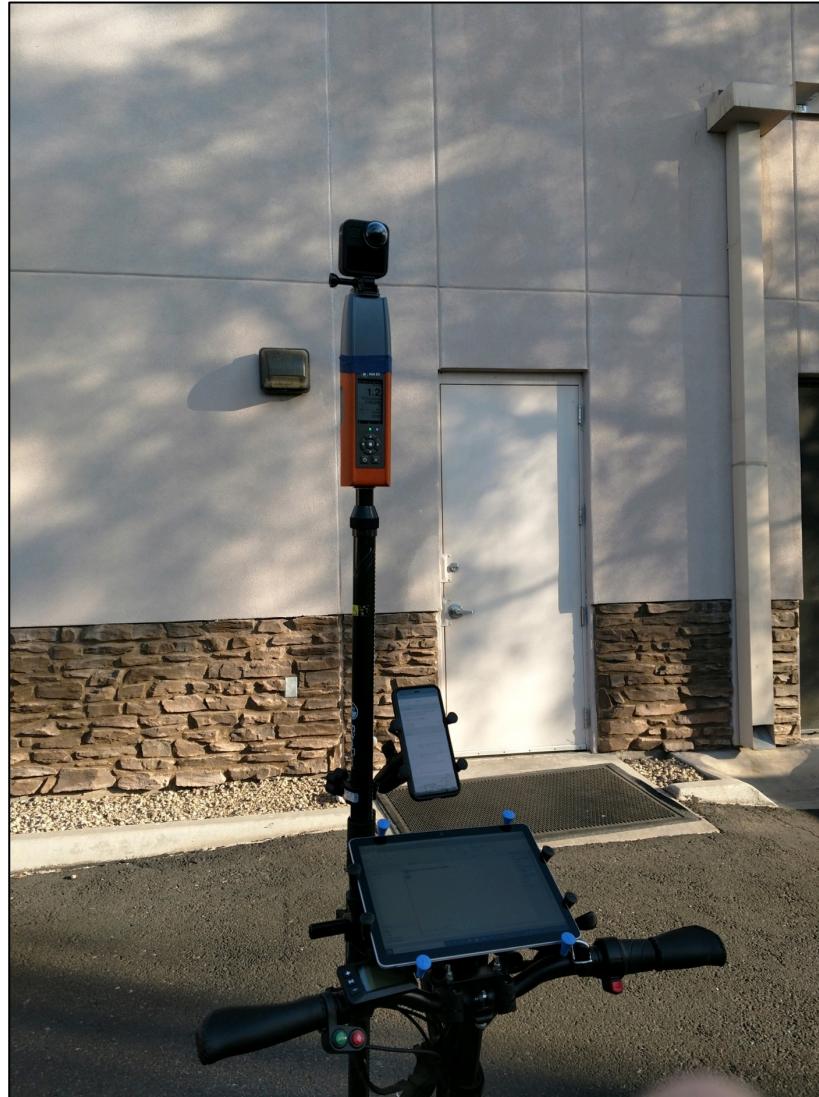
# A high-accuracy custom GIS solution



DATE	Field Hours	Points collected	Points/Hour	CL Miles covered	Bike Traveled	Ratio	CL Miles/hour
8/29/2020	1.5	72	48	4.5			3.0
8/31/2020	2.5	135	54	3.9			1.6
9/3/2020	1.2	80	67	2.5	4.7	1.9	2.1
9/5/2020	1	50	50	3	6.0	2.0	3.0
9/7/2020	1	148	148	3.5	4.4	1.3	3.5
9/8/2020	1	149	149	3.8	5.7	1.5	3.8
9/9/2020	0.8	74	93	2	2.1	1.1	2.5
9/11/2020	0.7	75	107	3	3.0	1.0	4.3
9/12/2020	1.3	51	39	5.2	9.4	1.8	4.0
9/13/2020	1	73	73	3.8	6.9	1.8	3.8
9/14/2020	1.3	100	77	4	9.0	2.3	3
9/15/2020	1.3	132	102	1.7	5.5	3	1
9/19/2020	1.75	195	111	3.3	7.2	2	2
9/20/2020	1.1	195	177	1.7			2
9/21/2020	1	166	166	2.3			2
9/24/2020	1.25	123	98	2.7			2.2
9/25/2020	0.97	108	112	2.1	5.3		2.2
9/26/2020	1.42	155	109	2.1	7.6		1.5
9/27/2020	1.07	142	133	2.3	4.1		2.2
9/28/2020	0.98	173	176	3.8	8.5		3.8
10/1/2020	0.75	52	69	2.7	4.0		3.7
10/2/2020	1.67	137	82	4.8	10.7		2.9
10/3/2020	1.75	156	89	5.9	11.9		3.4
10/4/2020	1.33	203	152	2.7	5.9		2.0
10/5/2020	0.93	190	204	3.8	7.5		4.1
10/6/2020	2.00	201	101	3.7	8.5		1.9
10/7/2020	1.50	91	61	4.8	9.8		3.2
10/11/2020	1.13	130	115	2.5	6.2		2.2
10/12/2020	1.50	102	68	0.9	2.4		0.6

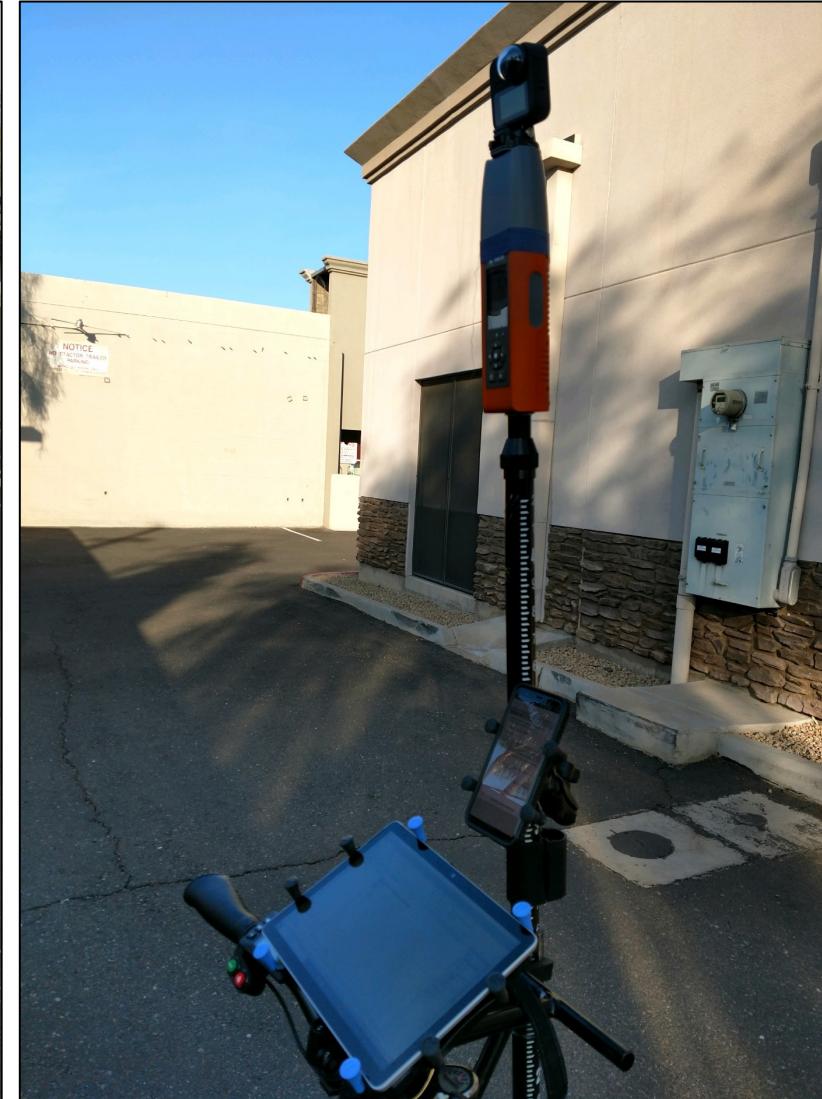
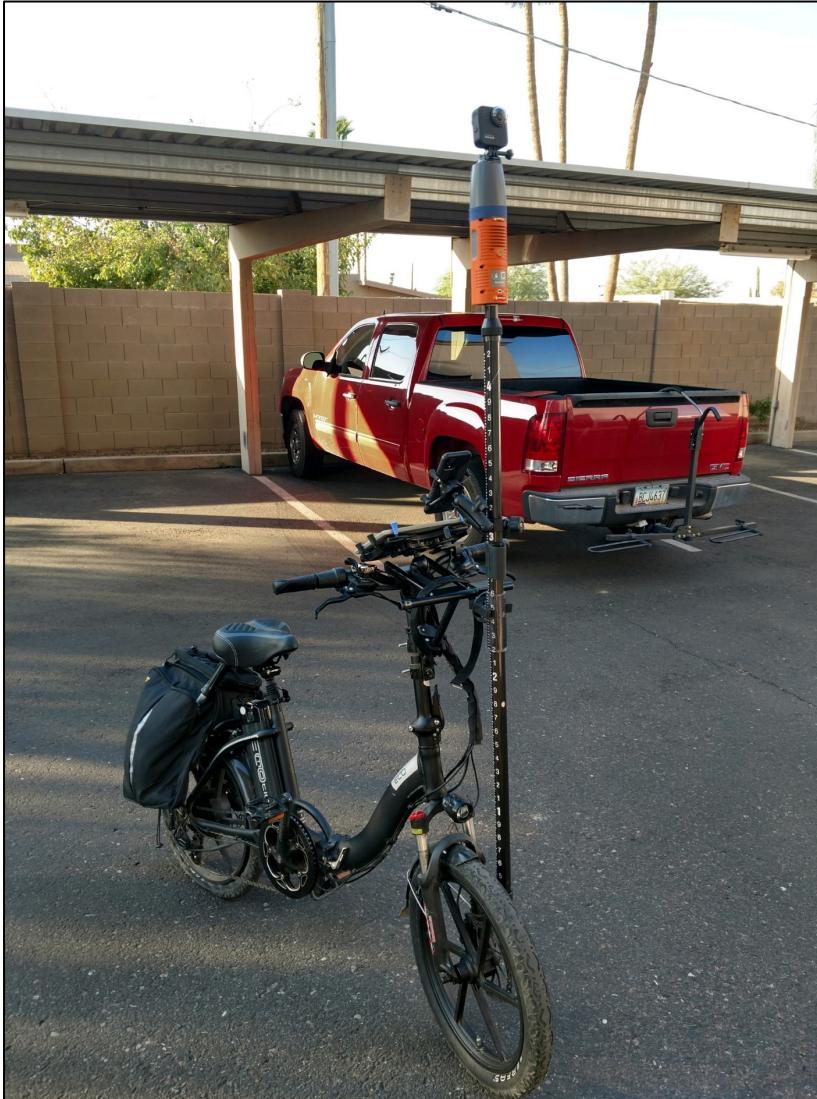


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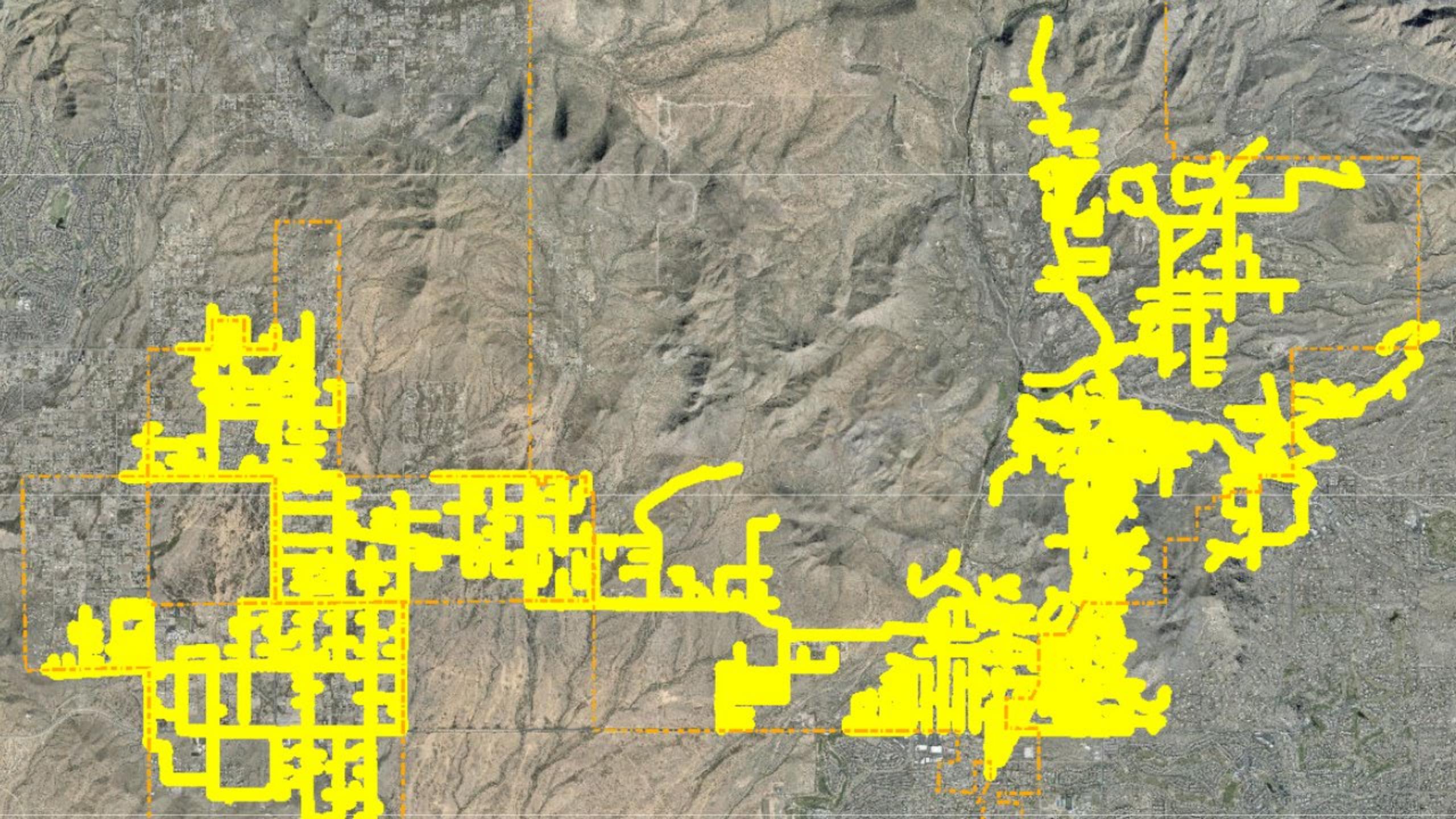
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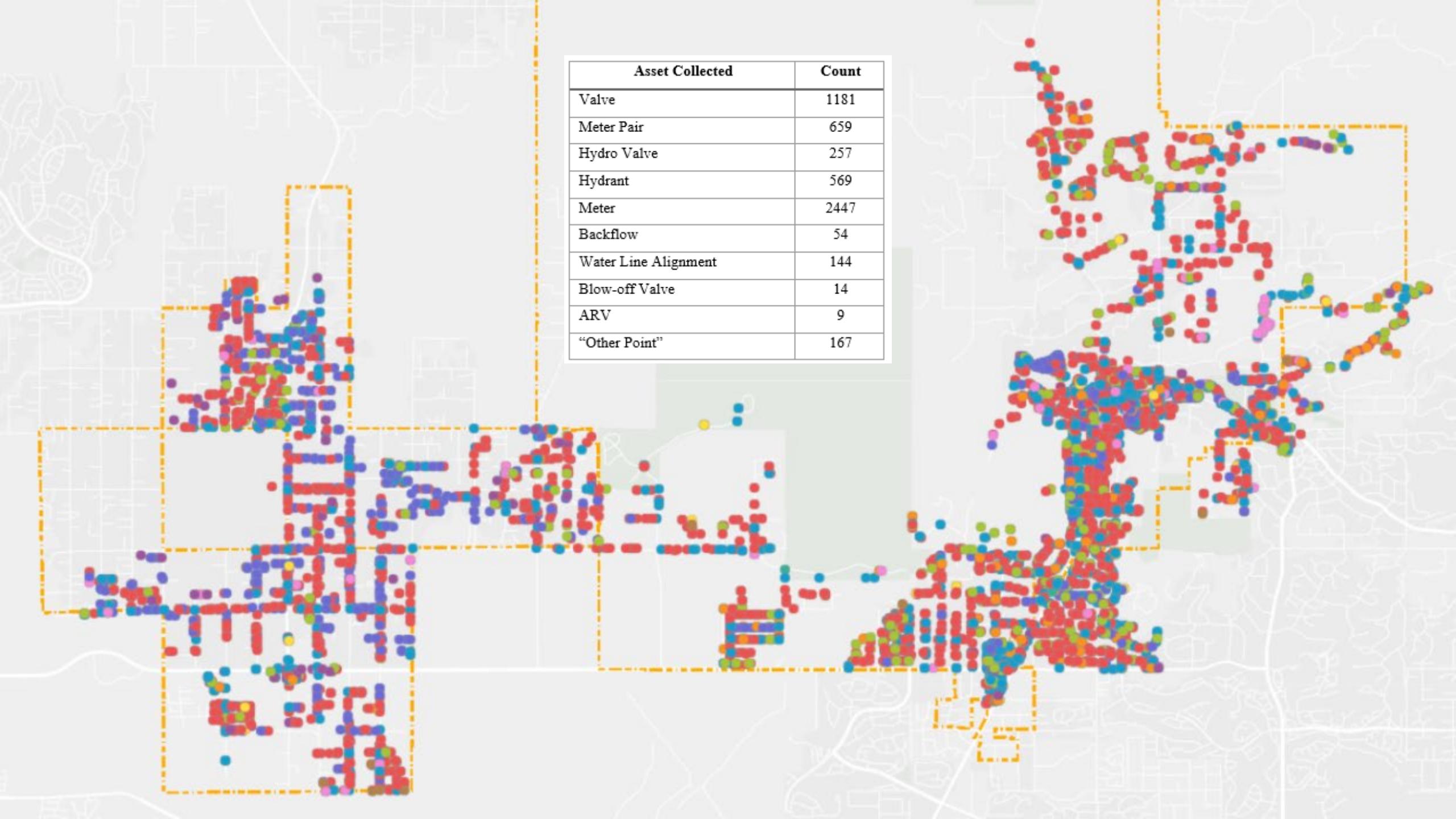




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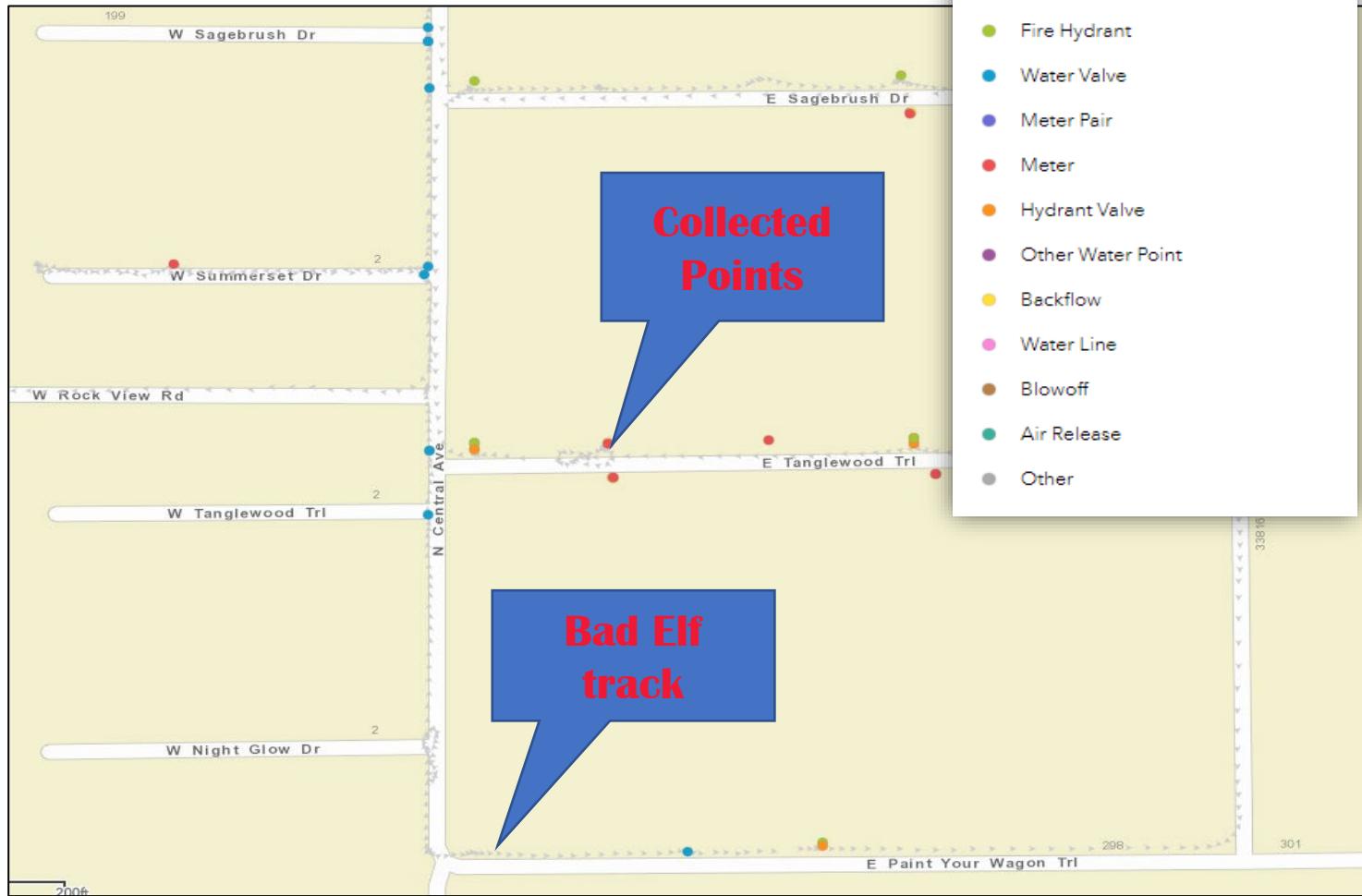




Asset Collected	Count
Valve	1181
Meter Pair	659
Hydro Valve	257
Hydrant	569
Meter	2447
Backflow	54
Water Line Alignment	144
Blow-off Valve	14
ARV	9
“Other Point”	167

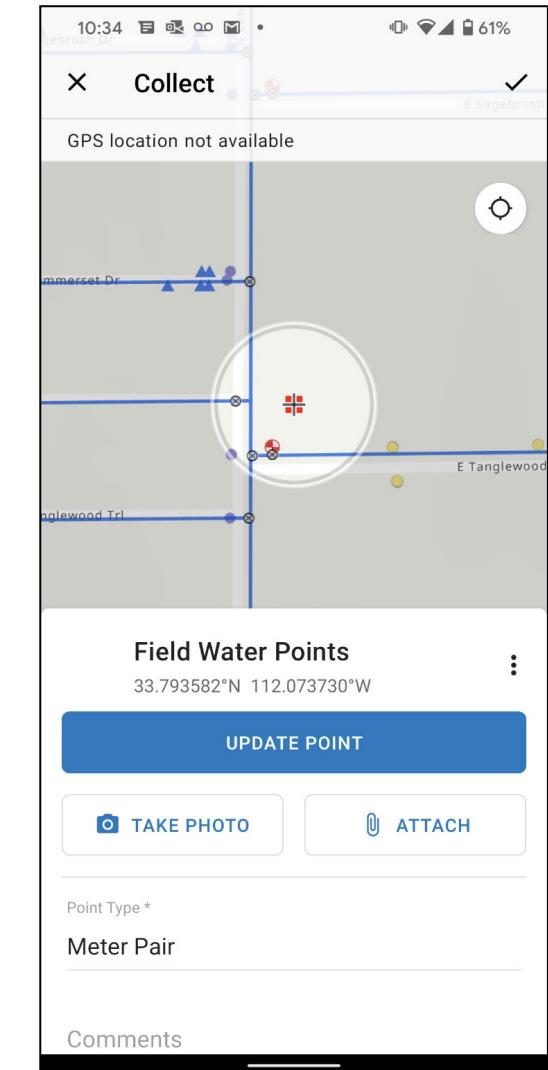


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## CC\_WATER\_FIELDPOINTS

- Fire Hydrant
- Water Valve
- Meter Pair
- Meter
- Hydrant Valve
- Other Water Point
- Backflow
- Water Line
- Blowoff
- Air Release
- Other





# A high-accuracy custom GIS solution

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Cave Creek GIS

111°57'56", 33°47'53" 1:141

Table of Contents

- Hydrants
- Trace
  - Go Pro
  - Trace Dates
- Water Field Points
- Sewer Field Points
- Misc Field Points
- County Parcels
- Cave Creek GIS
  - ModelData
- Sewer
- Water
- CCN
- Boundaries
- Streets2013
- Cave Creek New
  - Sewer
  - Water
- Planref

Bad Elf Track

8"

6"

Q58-40

8"

8"

GoPro  
(built-in GPS)

8"

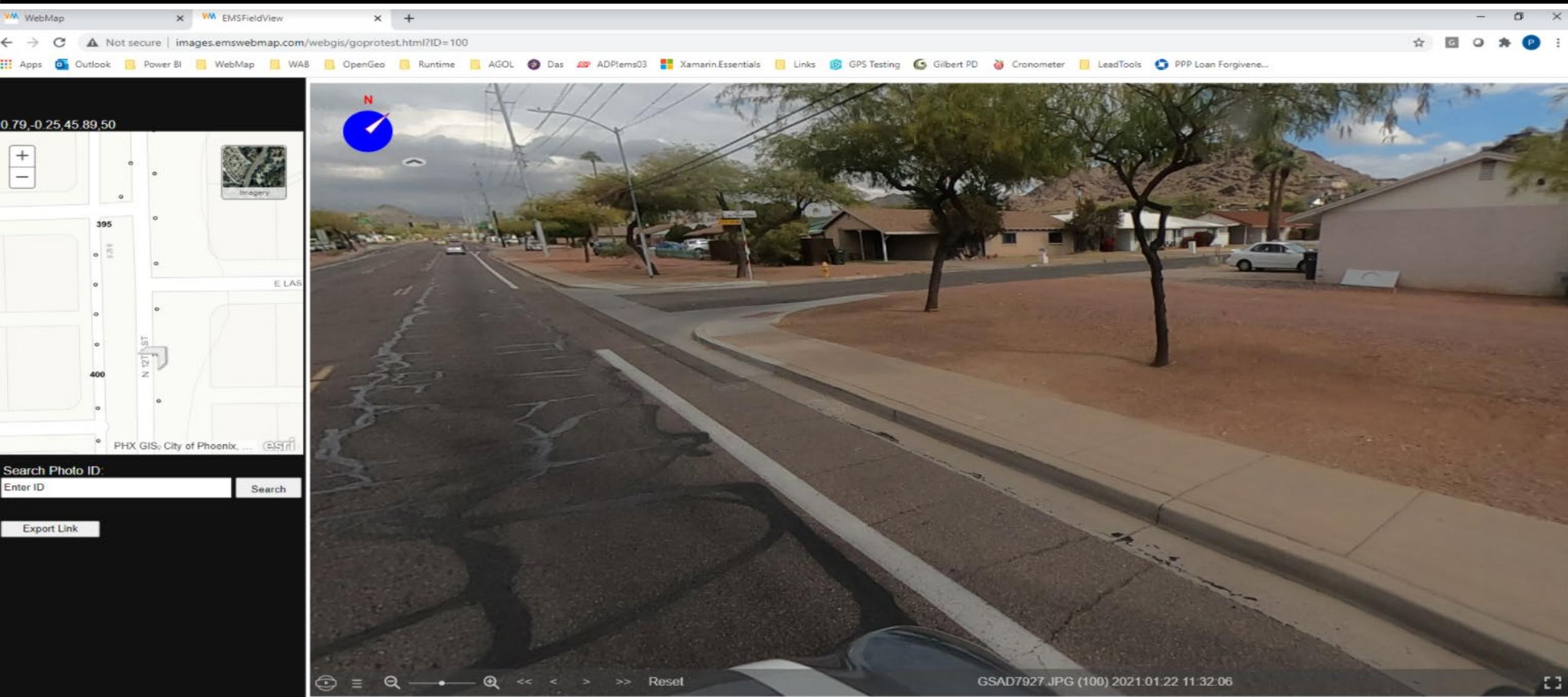


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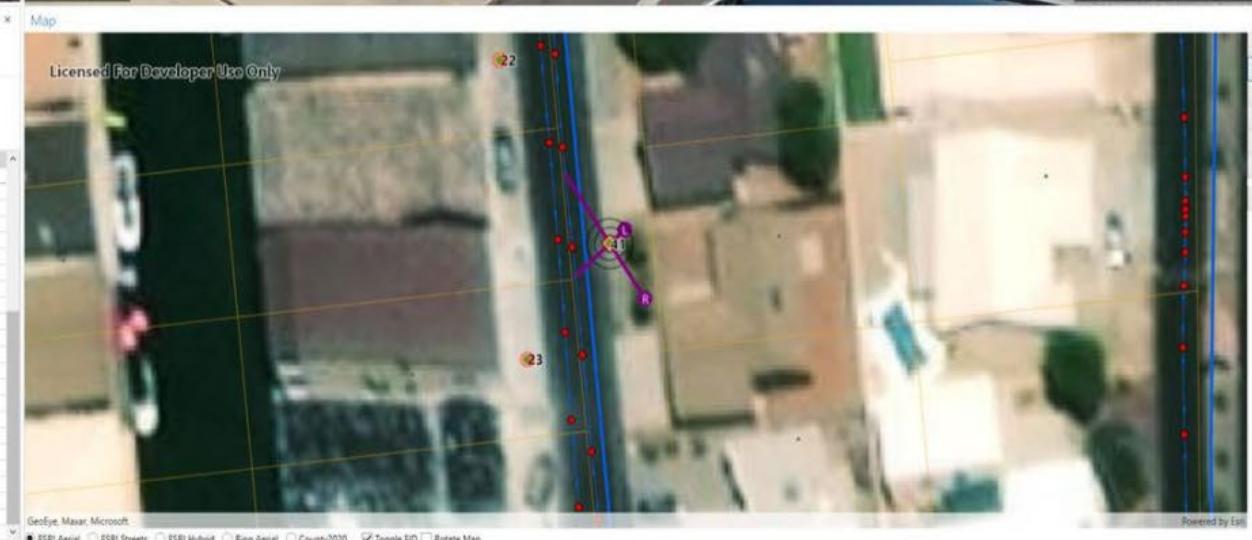
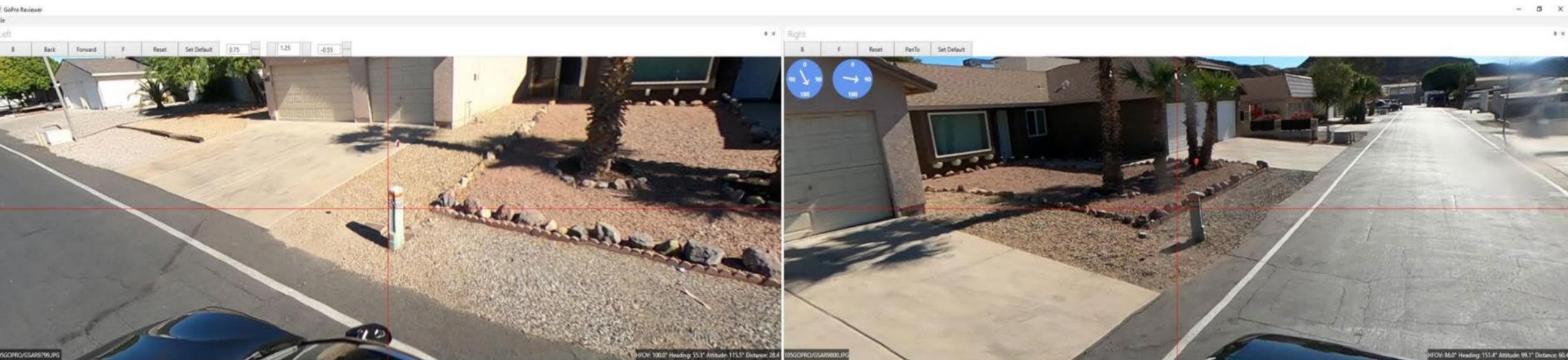


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No image da...	SW_OBJS	9-Sidewalk Obstruction
No image da...	SW_RAMP	8-Sidewalk Ramp
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Bing Streets Bing Aerial

N 12th St E Northern Ave



# In Summary

The image displays three screenshots of GIS software and a web map, illustrating the workflow from raw data collection to final deployment:

- Top Left:** A screenshot of ArcGIS Pro showing a map of a street with a 'Field Points' layer. The map includes labels for 'E Irvine Rd' and '198', '218', '235'. The 'Table of Contents' pane on the left shows the 'Field Points' layer selected.
- Top Right:** A screenshot of ArcGIS Pro showing a map of a street with a 'Drawing' layer. The map includes labels for 'E Irvine Rd' and '198', '218', '235', '504'. The 'Table of Contents' pane on the left shows the 'Drawing' layer selected.
- Bottom:** A screenshot of a 'Cave Creek GIS' web map. The map shows a street labeled 'E Adamanda Dr' with a '298' label. The 'Table of Contents' pane on the left includes options like 'Identify', 'Measure', 'Google Street View', and 'Basemaps'.

## Collect Raw Field Points

## Edit in Esri Ecosystem

## Deployment in EMS WebMap (ESRI Javascript custom viewer)

A better GIS by leveraging the “best in breed software” and GNSS technology!

## USGS Datasheet

AJ3733

\*CURRENT SURVEY CONTROL

AJ3733

AJ3733\* NAD 83(2011) POSITION- 33 50 05.23728(N) 111 56 24.32073(W) ADJUSTED  
AJ3733\* NAD 83(2011) ELLIP HT- 668.836 (meters) (06/27/12) ADJUSTED  
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AJ3733\* NAVD 88 ORTHO HEIGHT - 697.58 (meters) 2288.6 (feet) GPS OBS

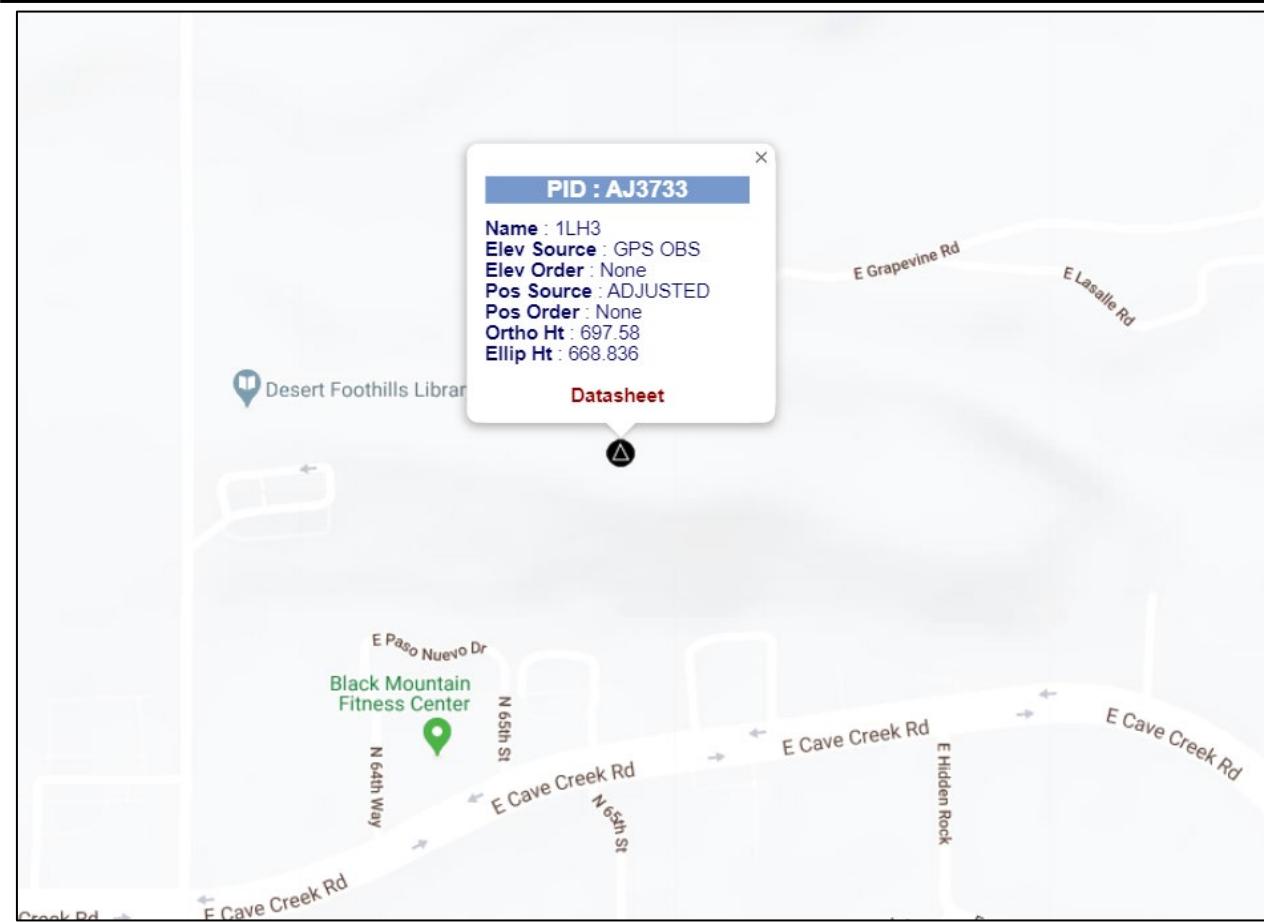
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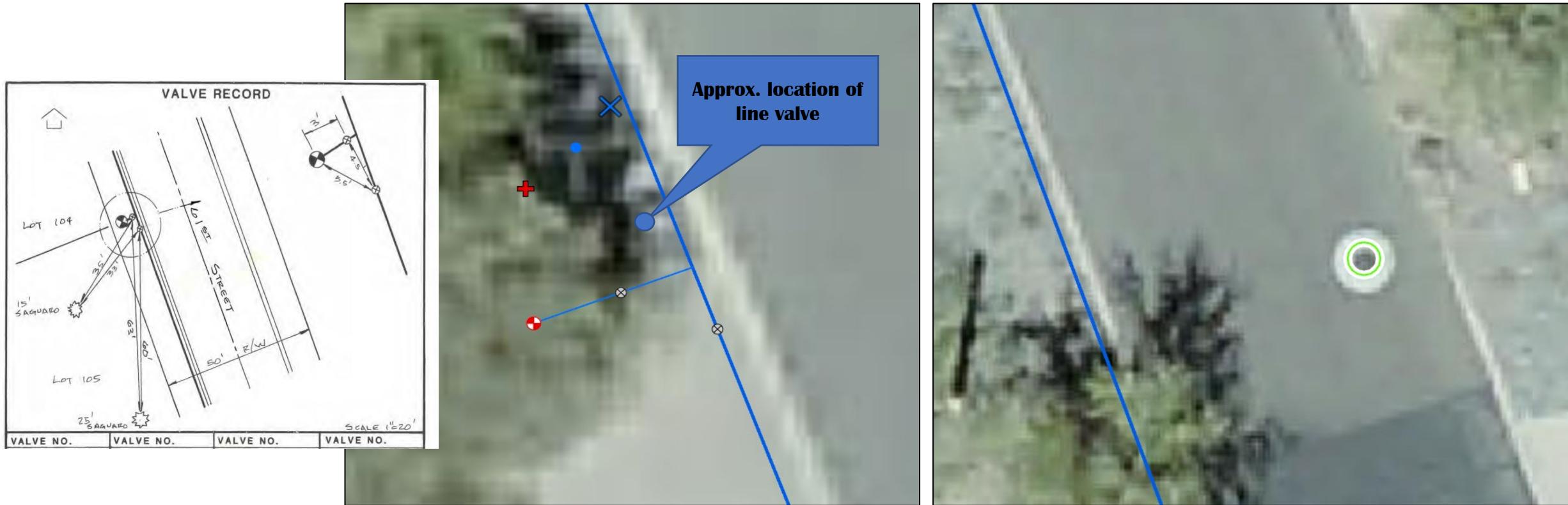
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## Analysis & Results

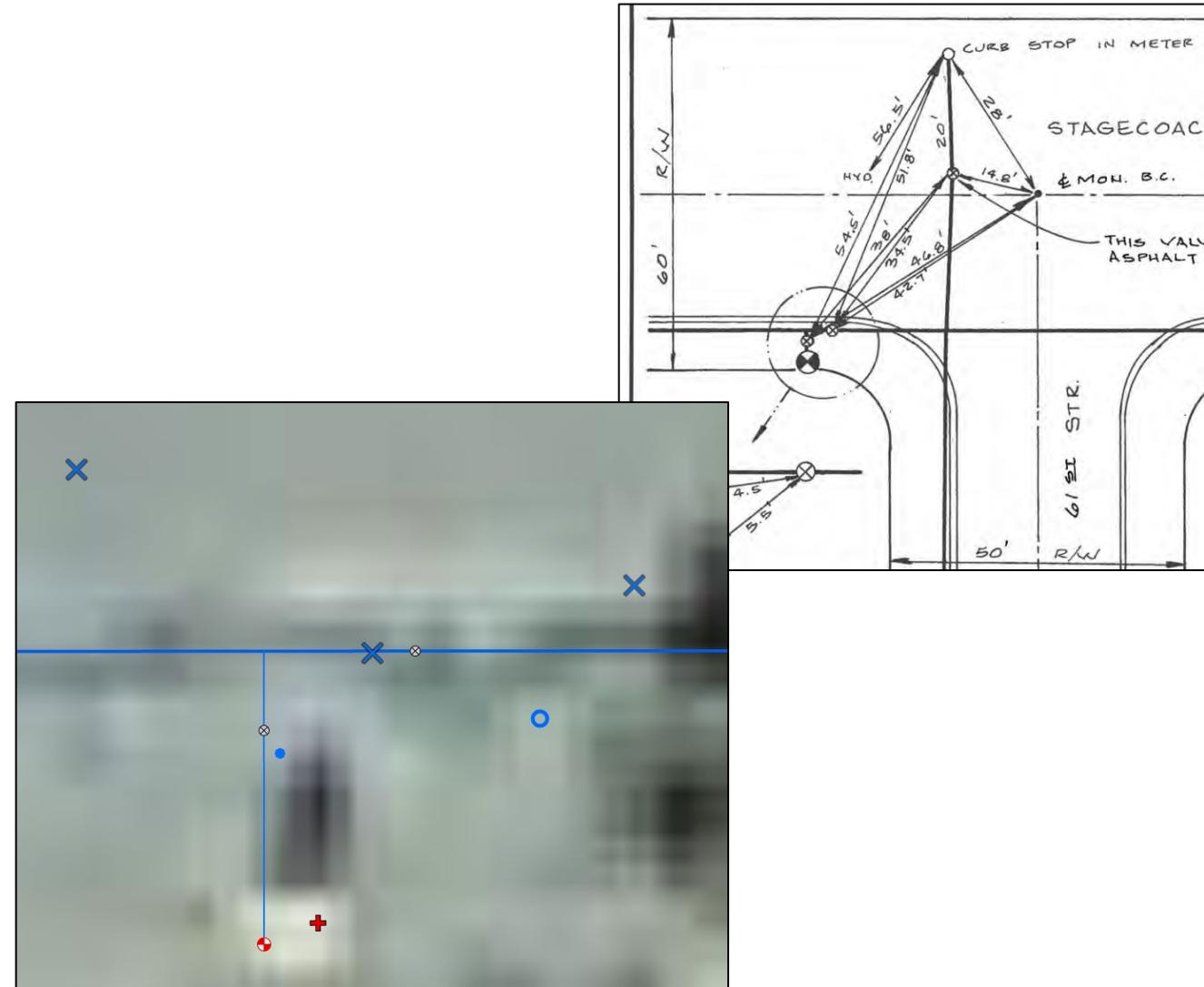


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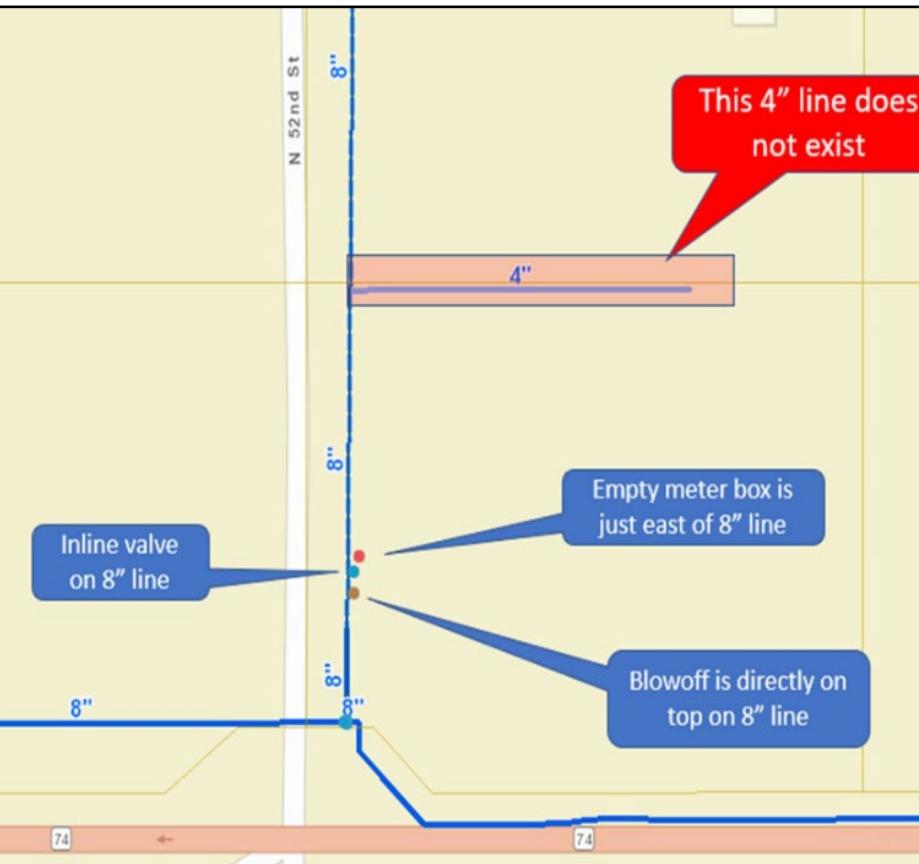


ValveCard Number	PLANID	Comments	# Valves on VC	GIS Valve Count	Survey Valve Count	GIS Match Valve Card?	Survey Match Valve Card?	Survey and GIS in Sync?	Valves seen on GS
21	60-42	<a href="http://www.emsol.com/googlestreetview/?posX=33.81">http://www.emsol.com/googlestreetview/?posX=33.81</a>	2	1	1	no	no	no	1 hydrant valve

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“Cost. Traditional market research exemplifies that a traditional registered surveyor would charge between \$80 and a \$100 dollars per field-collected point. Using this math, The Town of Cave Creek estimated that they would have to spend about \$350,000.00 to complete this project! However, with EMS’s innovative geospatial solution, the project cost dropped to just over \$15,000.00.”

# The Geoholics

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PARENTAL  
ADVISORY  
EXPLICIT CONTENT

**MY NAME IS**  

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**AND I AM A**  
**GEOHOLIC!**

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# Prophetic Declarations & Questions



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