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Ted Strickland, Governor
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Re: Fulton County
Fulton County Landfill
Industrial Waste

May 4, 2010

Fulton County Commissioners
152 South Fulton Street
Wauseon, Ohio 43567

Dear Commissioners:

On April 29, 2010, Mr. Ryan Gierhart of Ohio EPA conducted an inspection of the Fulton County Landfill and its leachate collection system. Mr. Ziad Musallam, P.E., Fulton County Sanitary Engineer, was present during the inspection. The area around markers L-9, L-10, L-12, L-14, and L-14-1 had signs of visible leachate outbreaks. The area around markers L-3 and L-5-1 were wet. The flow of leachate to Waters of the State is prohibited by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 6111.04 and the Director's Final Findings and Orders (DFFOs) issued to you on July 9, 2002.

Leachate was again observed on the ground below the large, broken PVC pipe coming out of the southeast corner of the landfill. The leachate that was observed on the ground was again flowing into the ditch on the south side of the property. The ditch is considered Waters of the State and the flow of leachate to Waters of the State is an unauthorized discharge that is again prohibited by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 6111.04 and the DFFOs issued to you on July 9, 2002.

From our observations during the inspection, it is still apparent that the leachate level is not adequately low enough in the collection well to prevent outbreaks. The County needs to continue hauling leachate from the collection well more frequently or in larger volumes to abate the outbreaks, especially after precipitation/runoff events.

Pictures of the outbreaks, as observed during the inspection, are included. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Mr. Ryan Gierhart at (419) 373 - 3053.

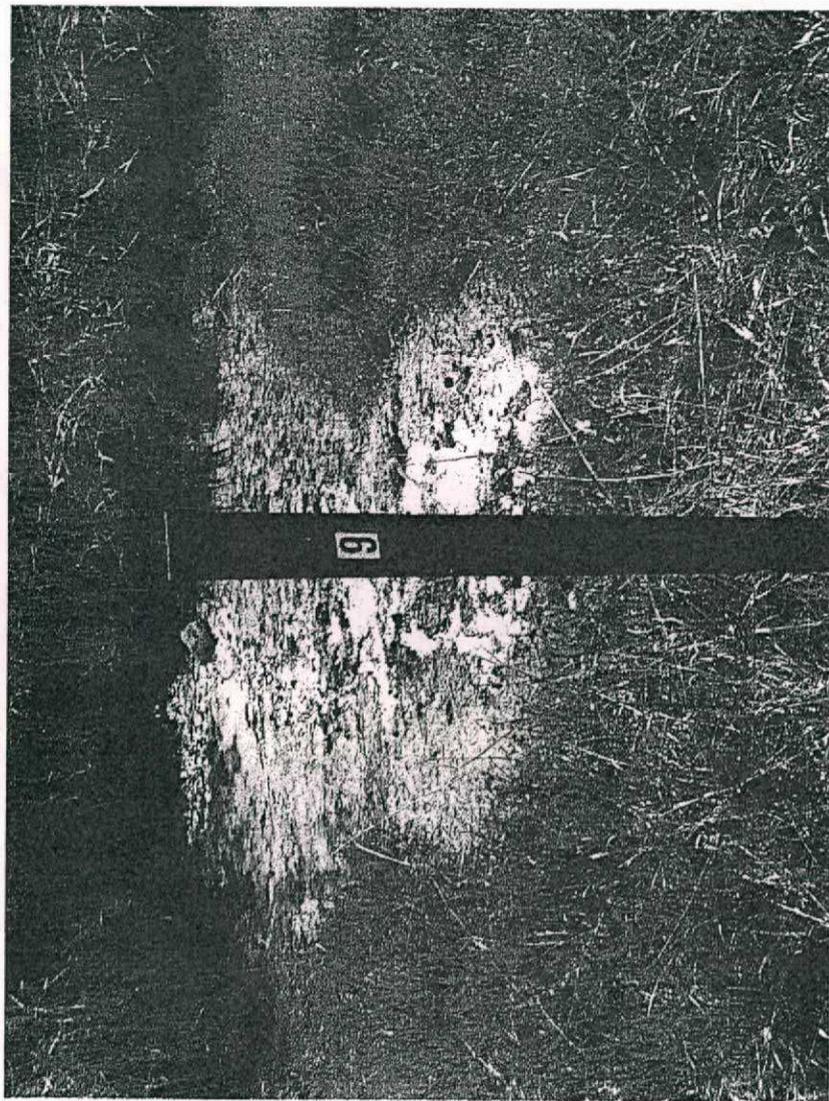
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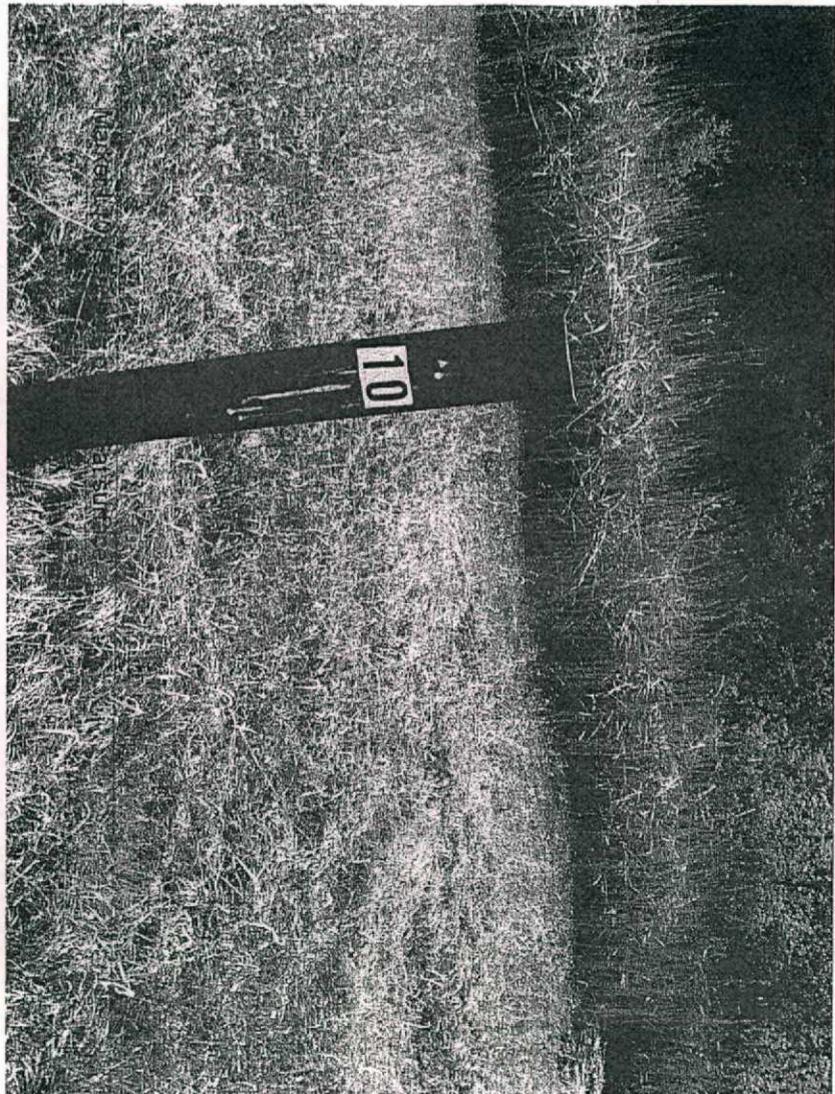
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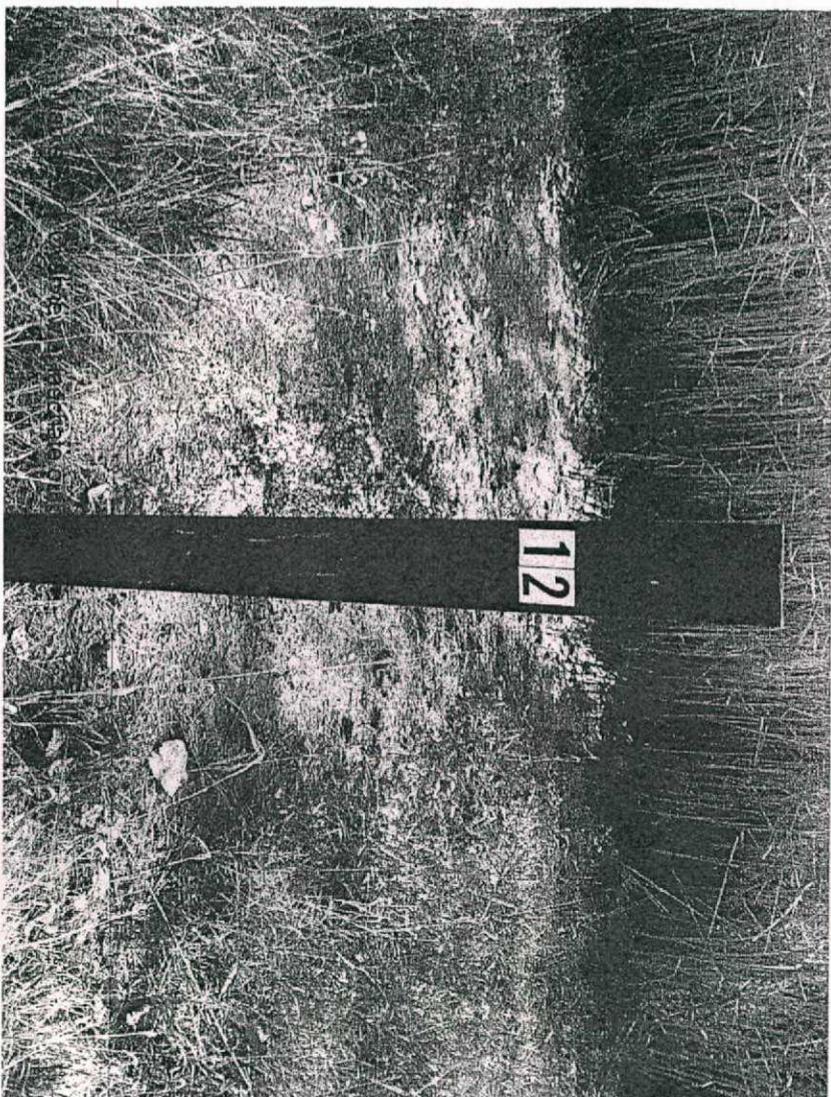
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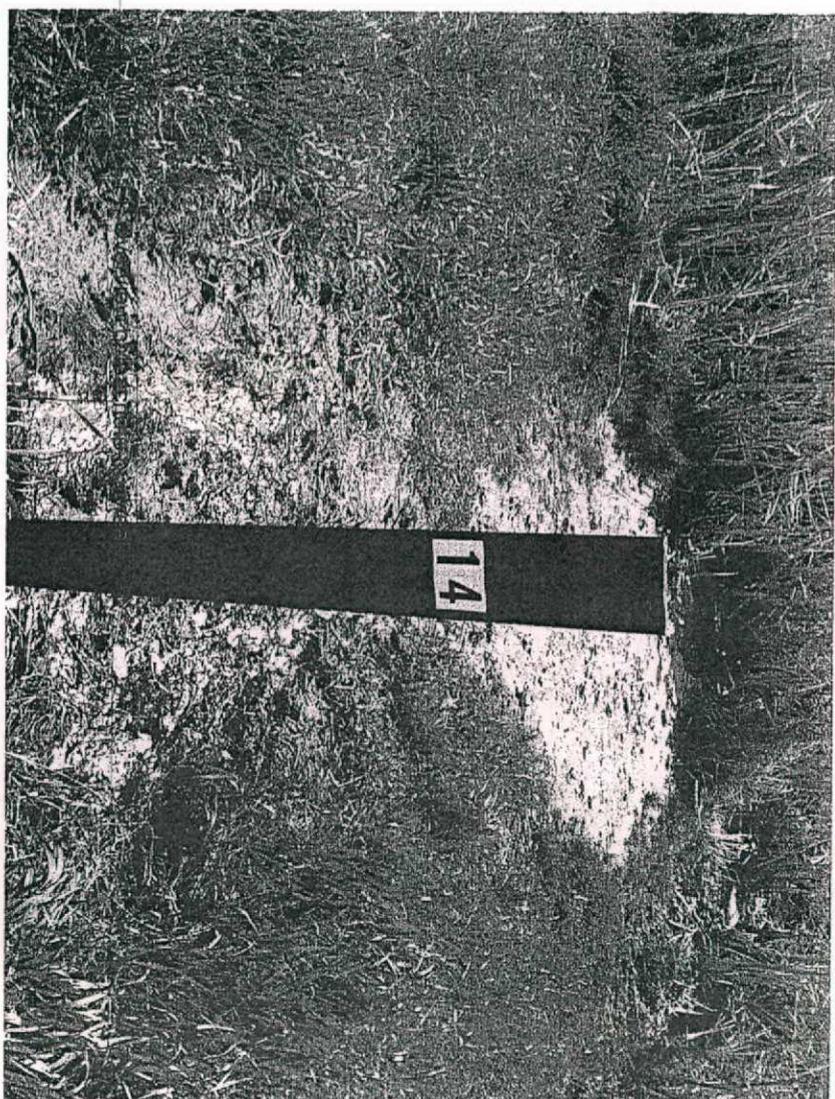
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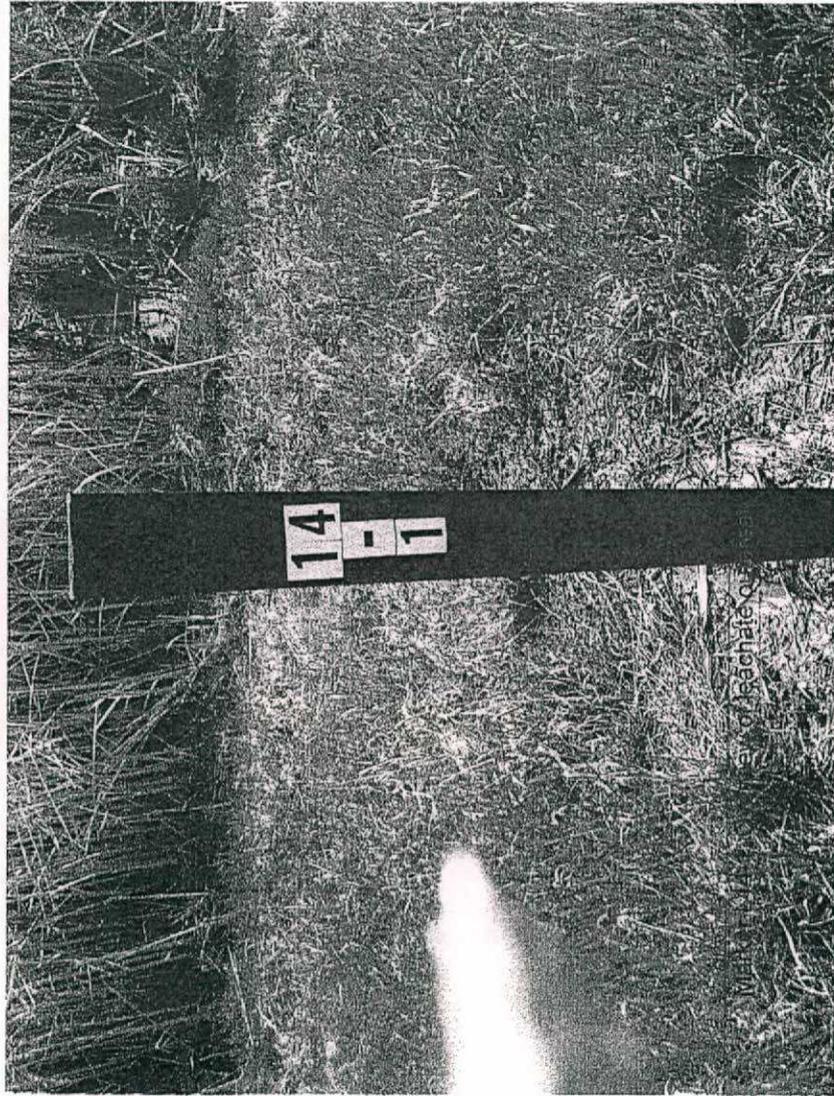
pc: Mr. Ziad Musallam
Fulton County Health Dept.
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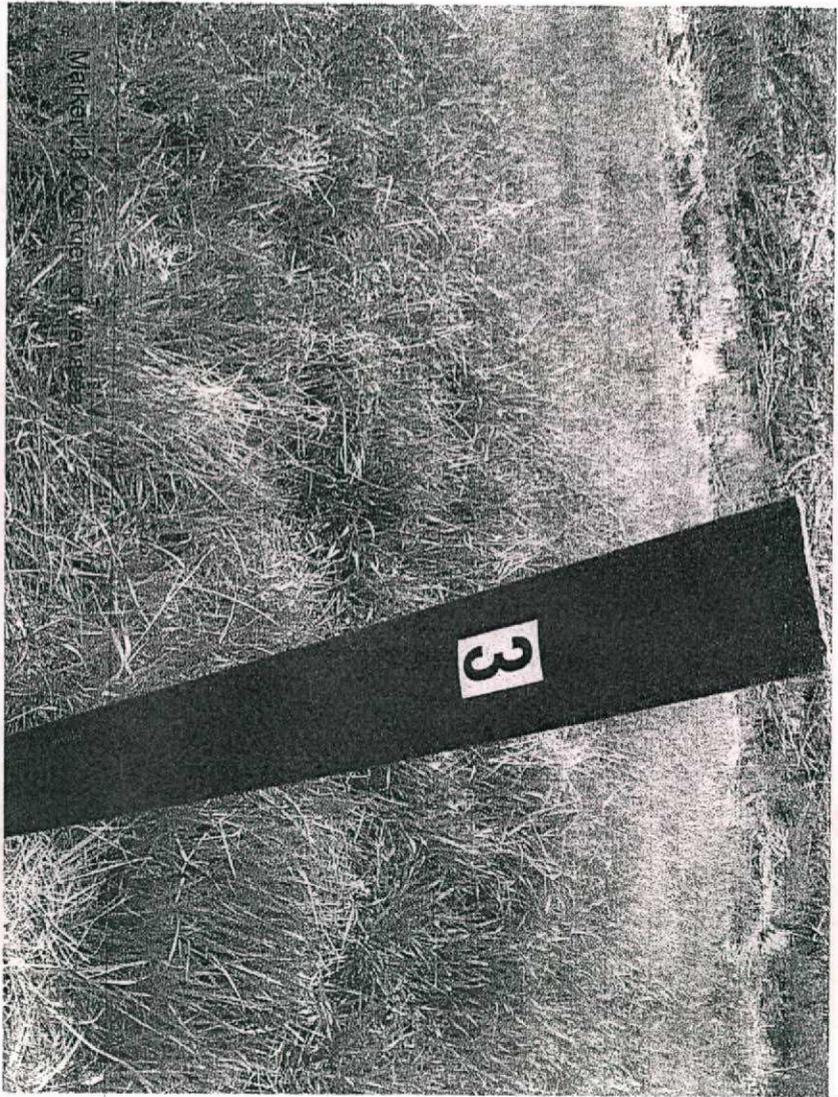


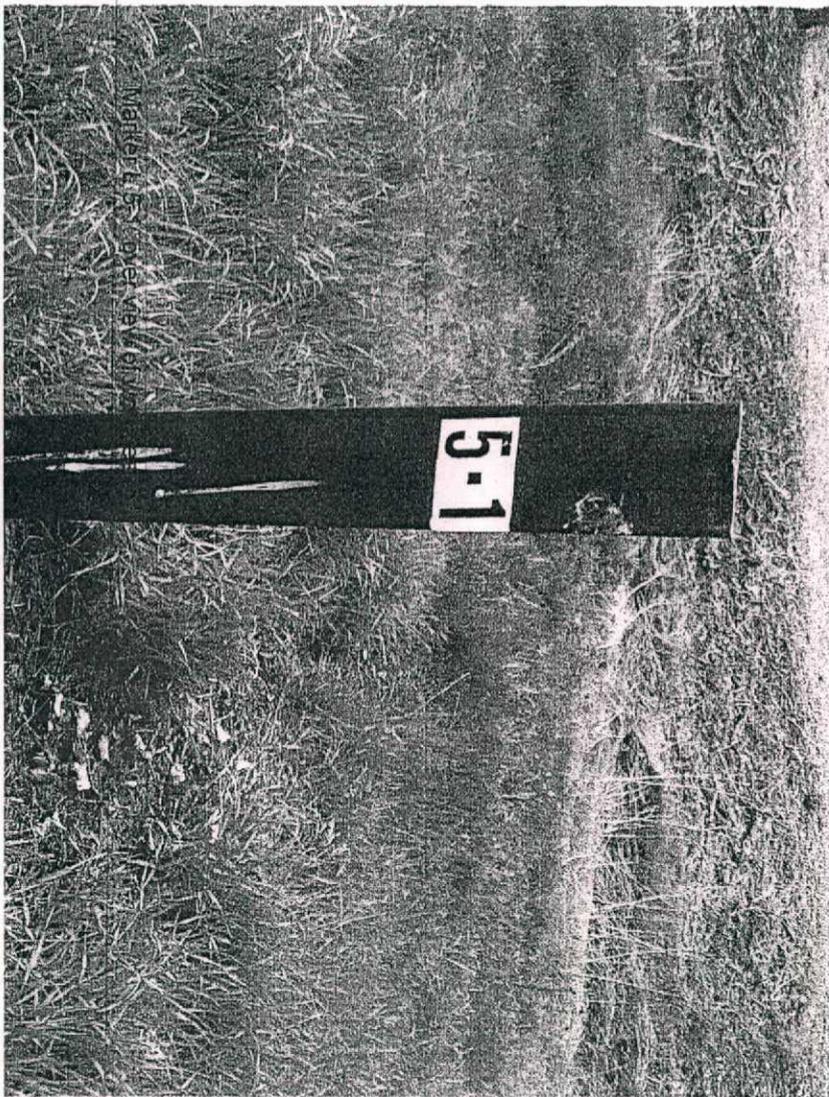
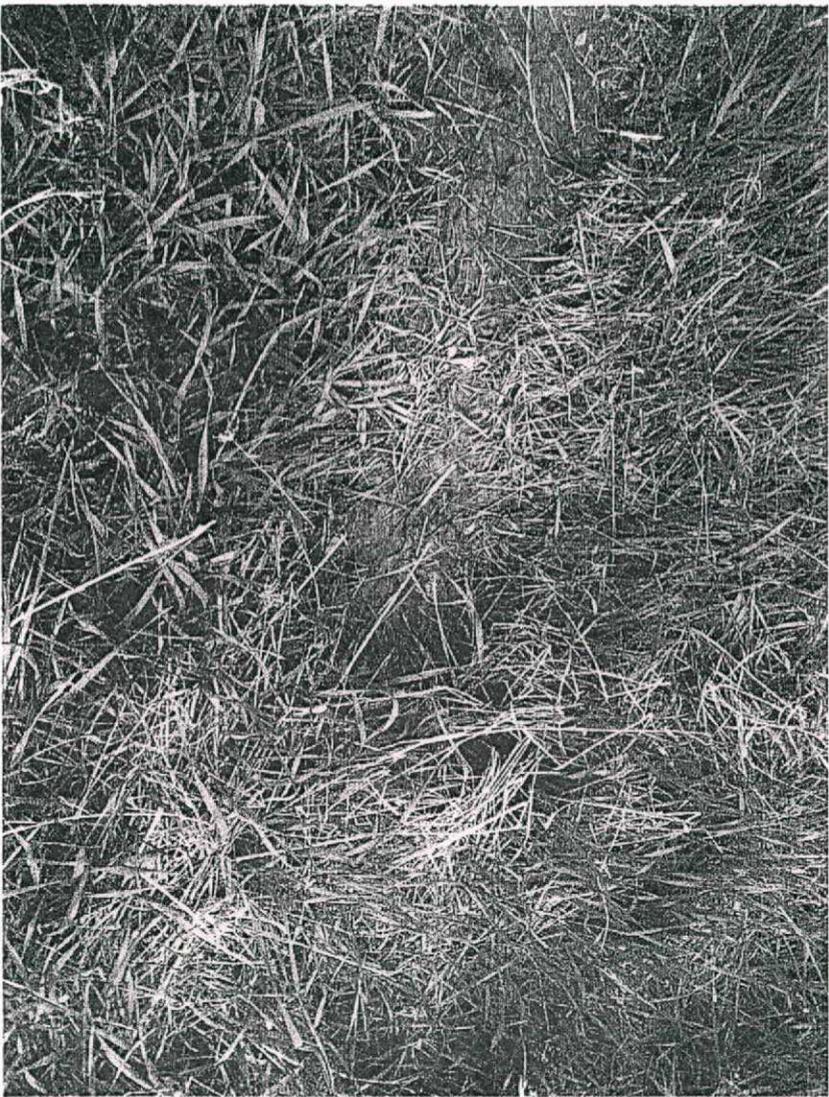


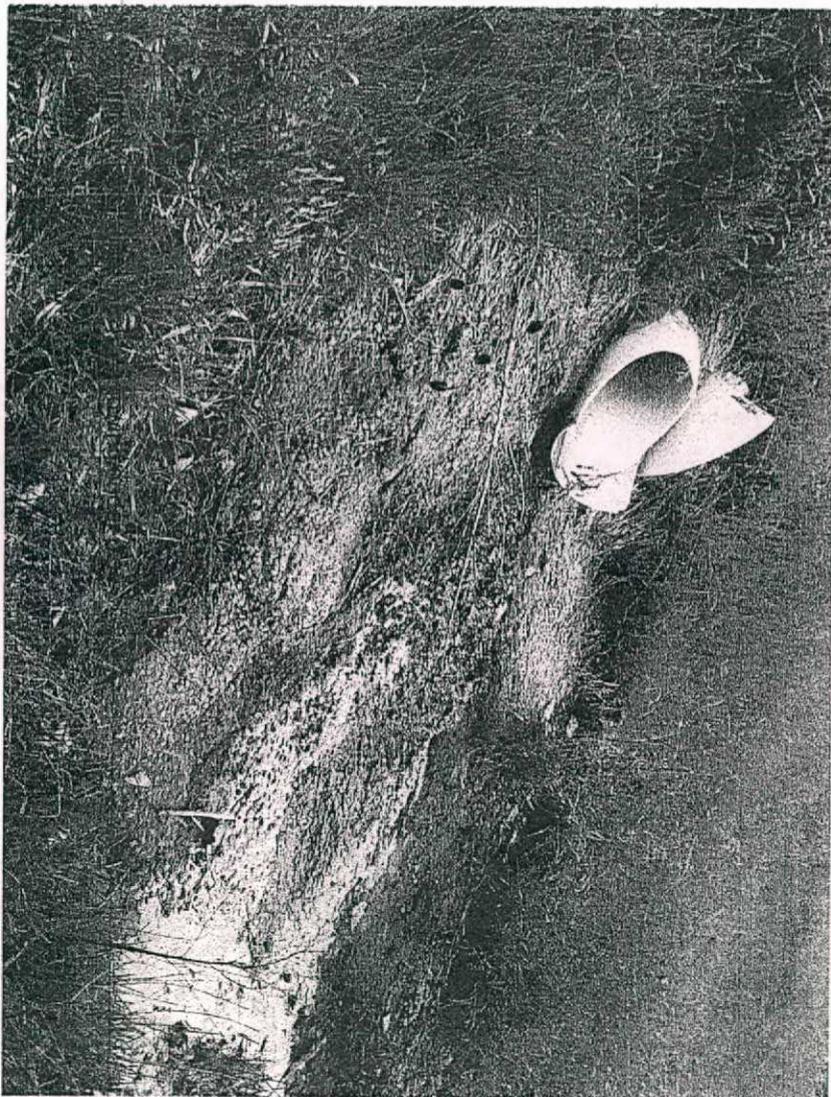














Broken Pipe - Close to Pipe



Broken Pipe - Close View of Fracture from under pipe