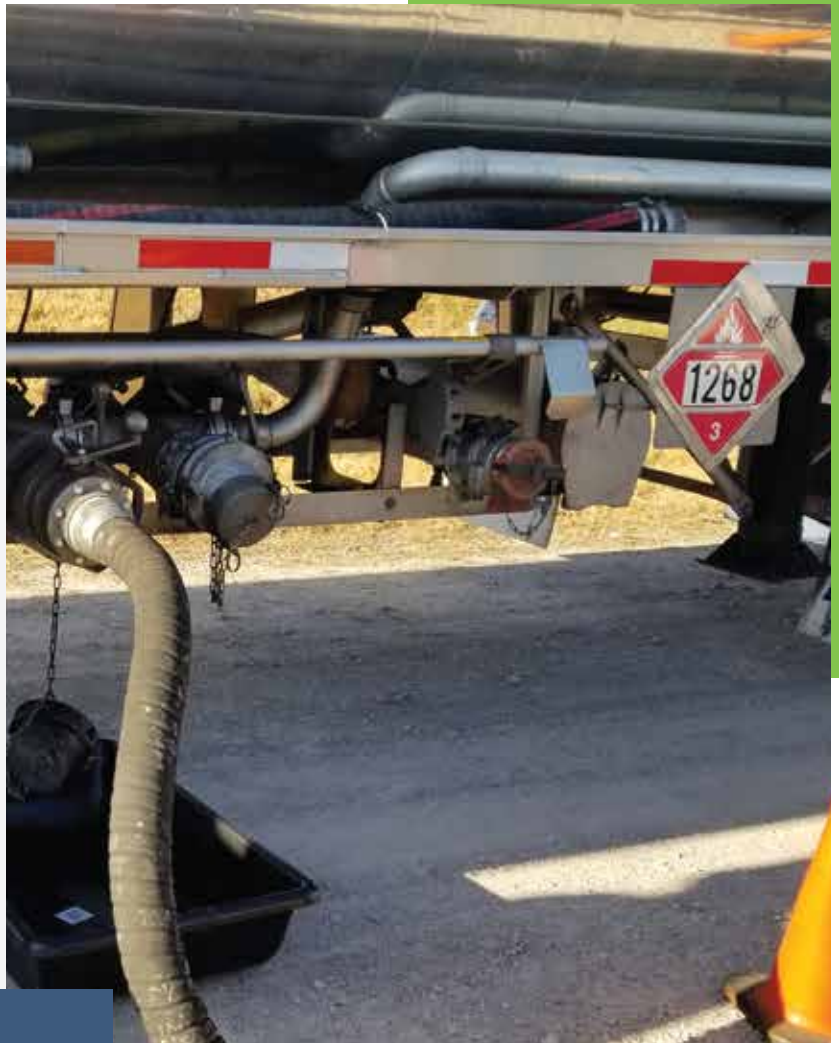




ALTIRAS CELEBRATES BARNSDALL SITE CLEANUP WITH CLIENT

In June 6, 2018, a collaborative effort between Altiras Recovery and Baker Hughes, a GE Company, marked the culmination of a significant environmental cleanup endeavor in Barnsdall, Oklahoma. The project aimed to address the daunting challenge posed by a 14-acre “asphalt pit,” an eyesore marred by decades of neglect and environmental degradation. Originally a byproduct of crude oil refining activities spanning the first half of the 20th century, this massive accumulation of asphalt waste had earned dubious distinctions, including nicknames like “the eighth wonder of the world.”



THE ALTIRAS SOLUTION

Undertaking this multimillion-dollar initiative, Altiras Recovery spearheaded the cleanup efforts, orchestrating the removal of over a billion pounds of asphalt waste from the site. The endeavor, spanning three years, required meticulous planning and execution, with approximately 40,000 truckloads of material being transported. Altiras Recovery President, Todd Pencarinha, highlighted the absence of predefined guidelines for such a complex task, necessitating adaptive strategies to overcome engineering obstacles and manage millions of gallons of water in the waste-disposal area.

RESULTS

The successful completion of the cleanup project not only eradicated a longstanding environmental blight but also underscored a commitment to environmental stewardship and community welfare. Baker Hughes plant manager, Jimmy Vaughan, emphasized the significance of the cleanup, not just for the company and the local community, but also as a gesture of reverence towards a Native American graveyard on the property. With no safety incidents recorded over the course of three years, and the elimination of odors that once permeated the area, the restoration effort stands as a testament to the unwavering dedication of both Altiras Recovery and Baker Hughes to uphold environmental integrity and social responsibility.

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