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# **Data Integration**

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**Appalachian Underground Corrosion Short Course**

# Data Integration

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- Data integration involves combining data from different sources and providing users with a unified view of these data.
- This is the backbone of any pipeline information management program
- This presentation will focus on data for corrosion through the ECDA process



# ECDA Data

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- External Corrosion Direct Assessment is a process to continually evaluate your structure / pipeline and ensure it remains free from corrosion
- It requires accurate record keeping and knowledge of your system



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# **Pipeline Information**

# Important Information

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- Pipeline history
  - Installation date & method
  - Material & coating
- System inventory
- Know where your pipeline is, maps, GPS, etc.
- Operation & maintenance history



# Inventory Your System

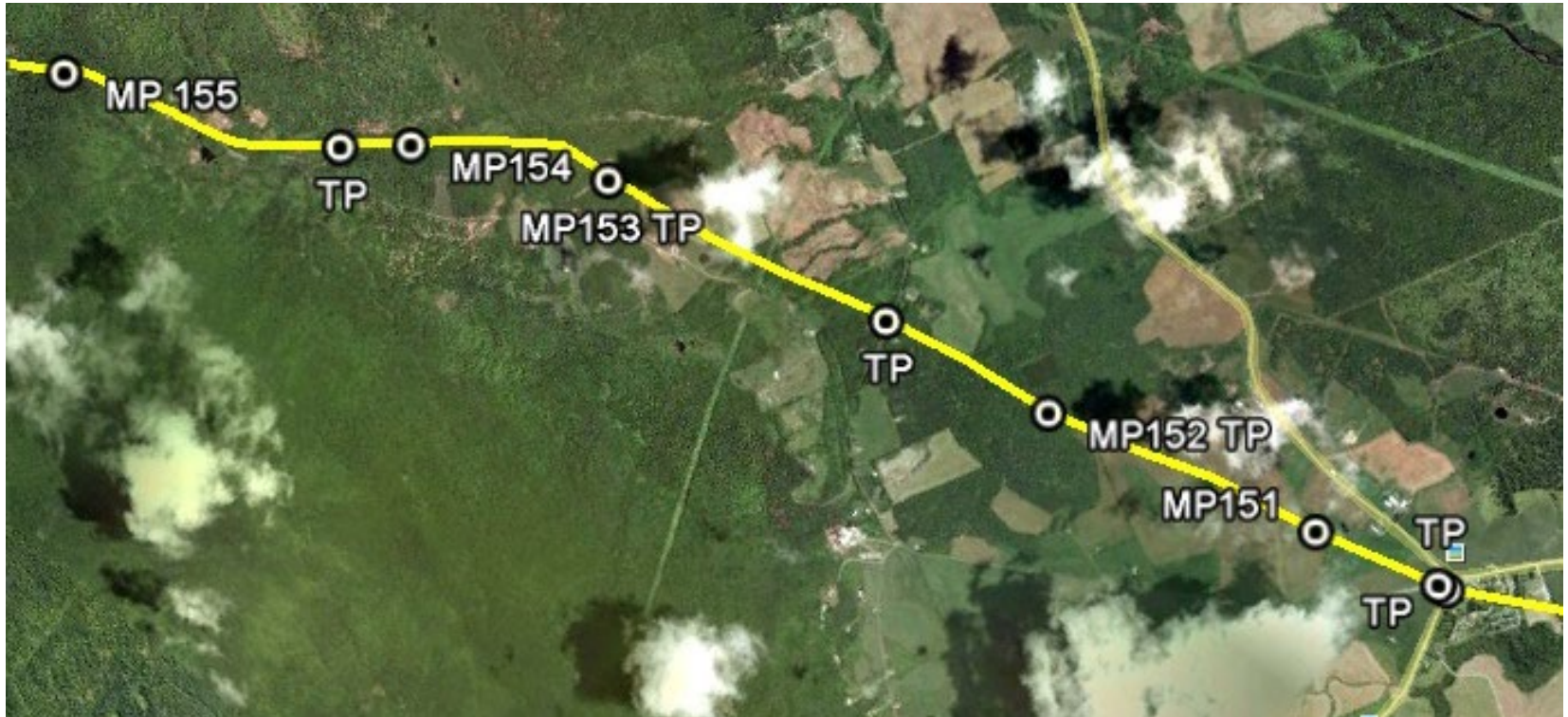
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- Test Stations
- Casings
- Bonds
- Rectifiers
- Insulated flanges
- Sleeves
- Sacrificial anodes
- Etc.





# Mapping Your Pipeline



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# Pipeline Location

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- Use a pipe locator for accurate location
- Pipe to soil data can be correlated with other test data
- GPS and available sub-meter systems can be used to map the pipe





# High Consequence Areas

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- Population density
- Sensitive environmental areas
- Foreign crossings



# Operating History

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- What product & pressure
- Leak history
- Maintenance work & digs
- Repair work



# Personnel

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- Sometimes the field guys know things the office guys don't.
  - How many times that area has been dug up
  - Were anodes installed directly to the pipe?
  - Landowner issues



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# **Test Results**



# Test Results

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- There are a number of ways to monitor the corrosion potential of a pipeline;
- Test station surveys
- Rectifier logs
- Close Interval Potential Surveys
- Voltage Gradient Surveys (DCVG, ACVG, PCM, Pearson)
- Internal inspection tools (Pigs – wall thickness)
- Physical inspection from digs
- Corrosion coupons



# Modern Equipment

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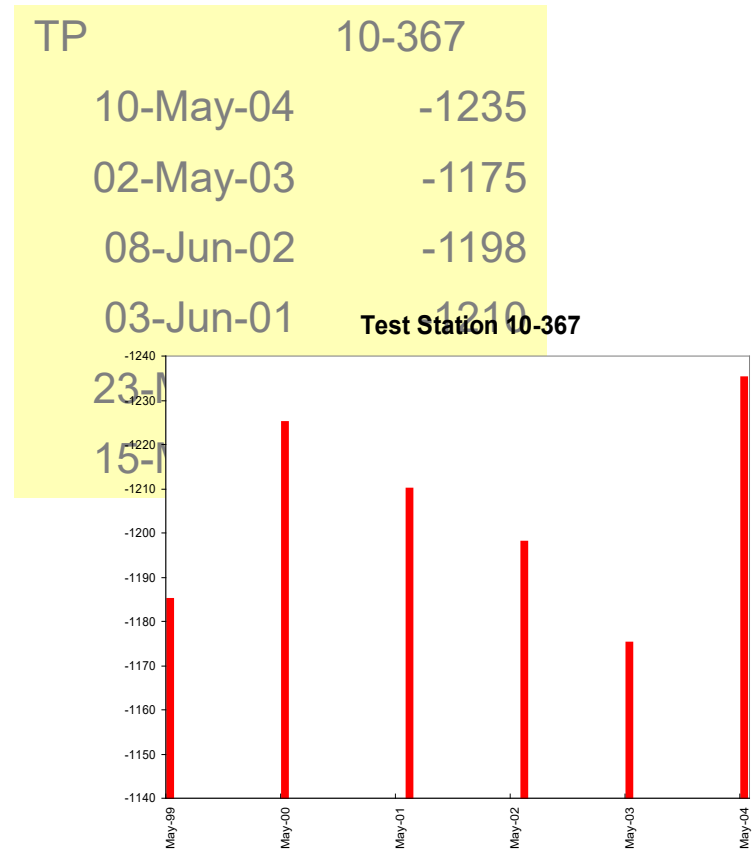
- Digital
- GPS integrated
  - Synchronization
  - Location, date, time
- Custom comments
- No more handwritten notes
  - Transcription errors
  - 'Coffee shop' readings





# Test Station Surveys

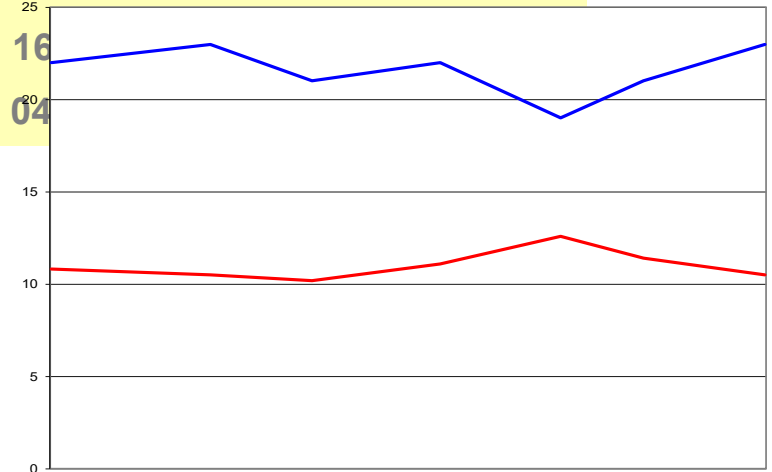
- Performed on a regular basis
- When compared with prior readings, changes to the CP are seen



# Rectifier Logs

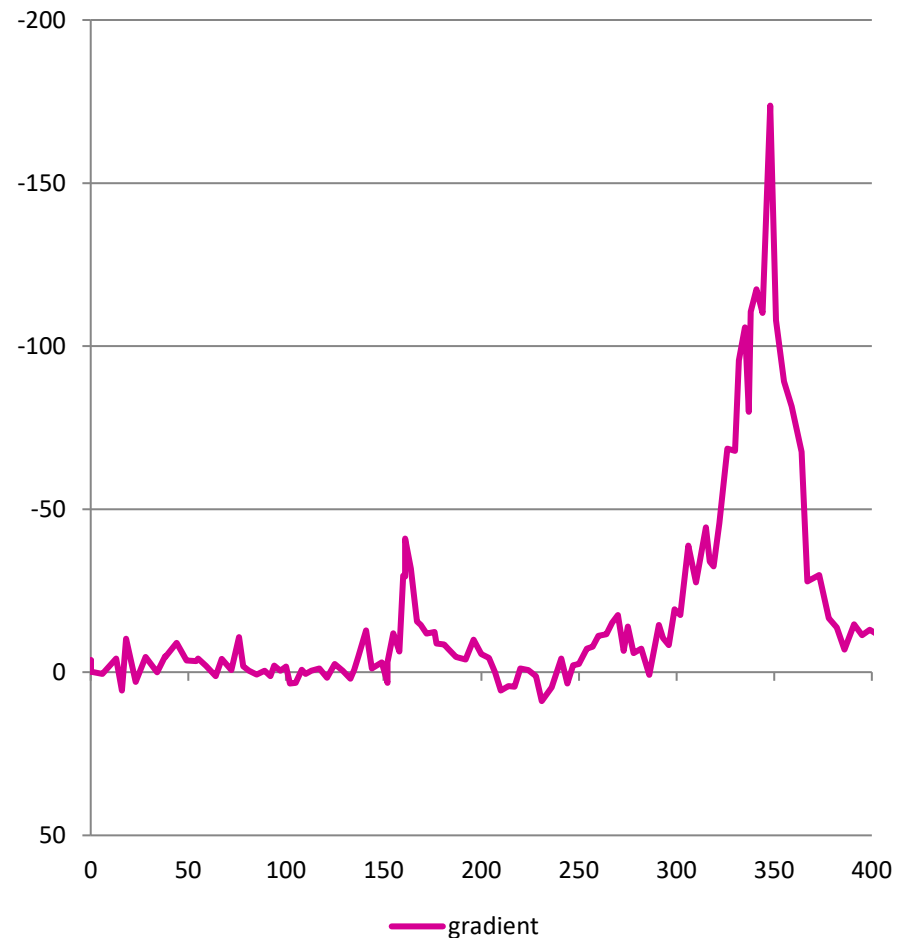
- Obtained by field crews or through remote monitoring
- Graphing the data over time can reveal trends

Rectifier	123	
	Volts	Amps
11-May-04	23	10.5
09-Apr-04	21	11.4
18-Mar-04	19	12.6
15-Feb-04	22	11.1
12-Jan-04	21	10.2



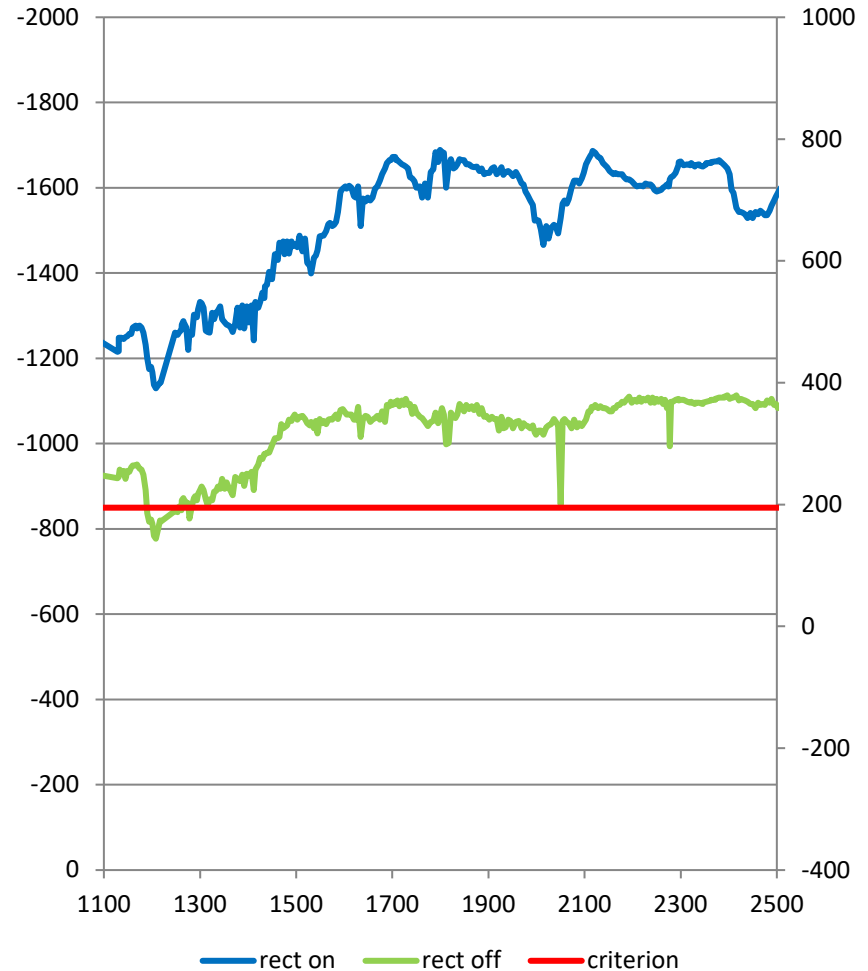
# Voltage Gradient Surveys

- Provide indication of coating damage
- Direct Current
  - DCVG
- Alternating Current
  - ACVG
  - PCM
  - Pearson



# CIPS Surveys

- Close Interval Potential Survey records the level of CP along a pipeline
- Used with NACE SP0169 criterion
- Confirm if Cathodic Protection is adequate



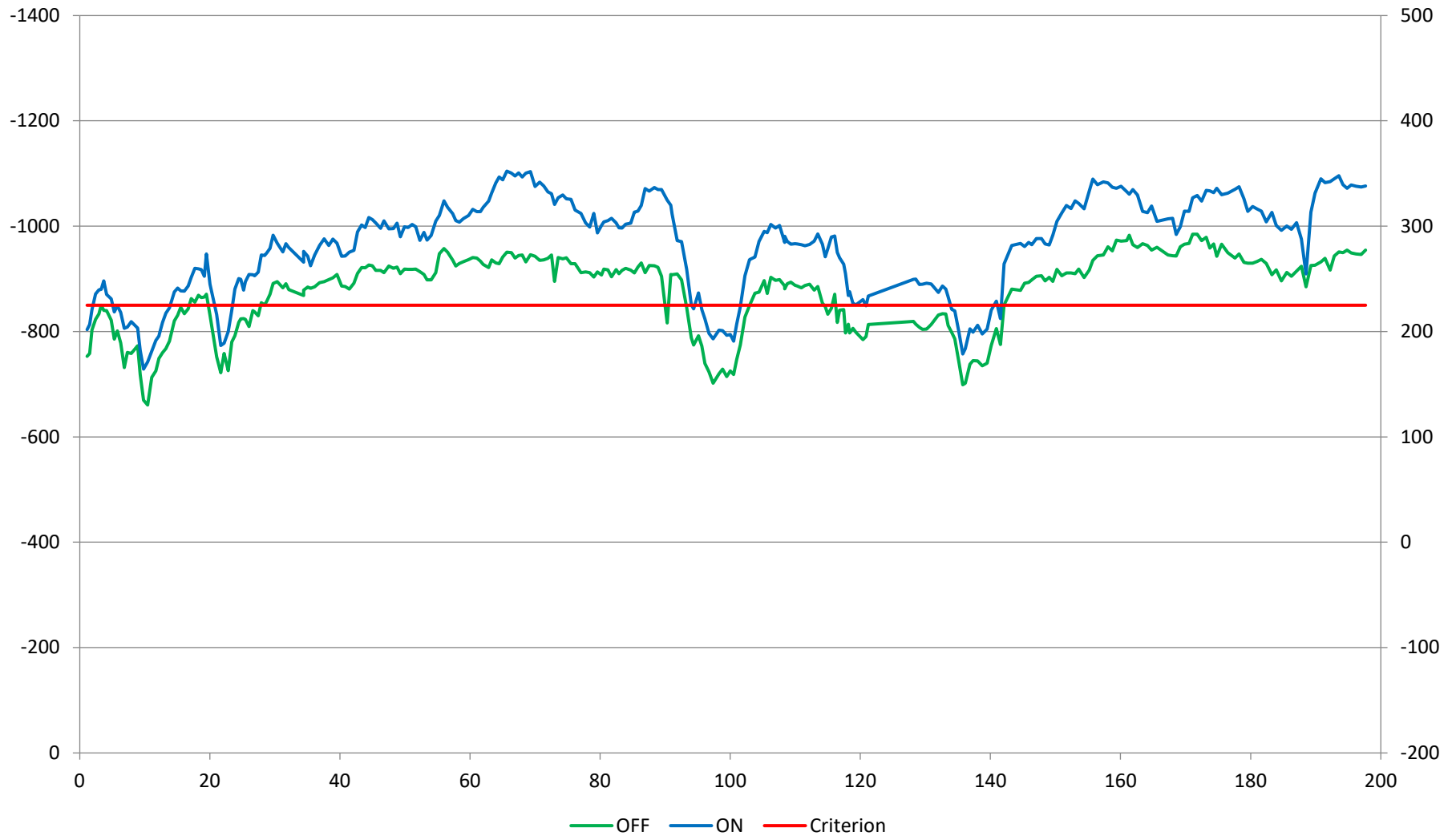
# CIPS Survey Equipment

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- Close Interval Potential Survey, also called CIS – Close Interval Survey
- Walk the pipeline & record pipe to soil voltage every 3 to 10 feet
- Digitally records pipe to soil voltages



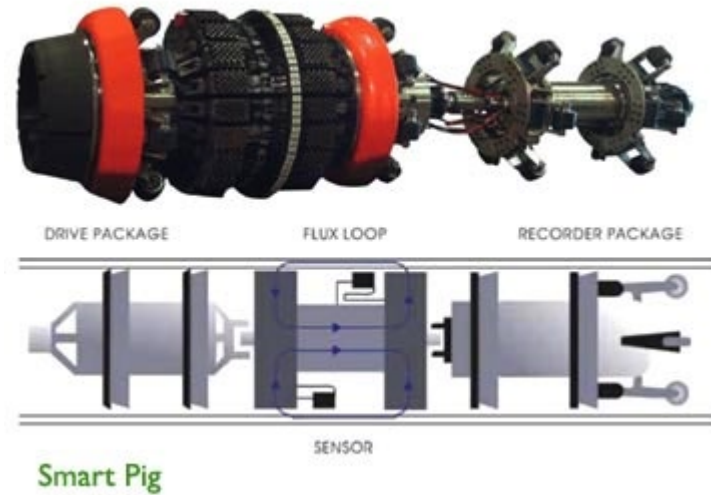
# CIPS Data Graph





# Internal Inspection

- Inline inspection tools (smart pigs) can be used to monitor the wall thickness of a pipeline
- Changes in wall thickness can indicate a corrosion problem



# Correlation Digs

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- Dig results are recorded
  - Pipe to soil potential
  - pH of soil
  - Size & type of damage
  - Coating condition
- Compared with general knowledge of the pipeline



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# **Combining Data**

# Integrated CIPS & DCVG

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- CIPS and DCVG surveys can be undertaken simultaneously for increased accuracy
- Same time, soil conditions, equipment



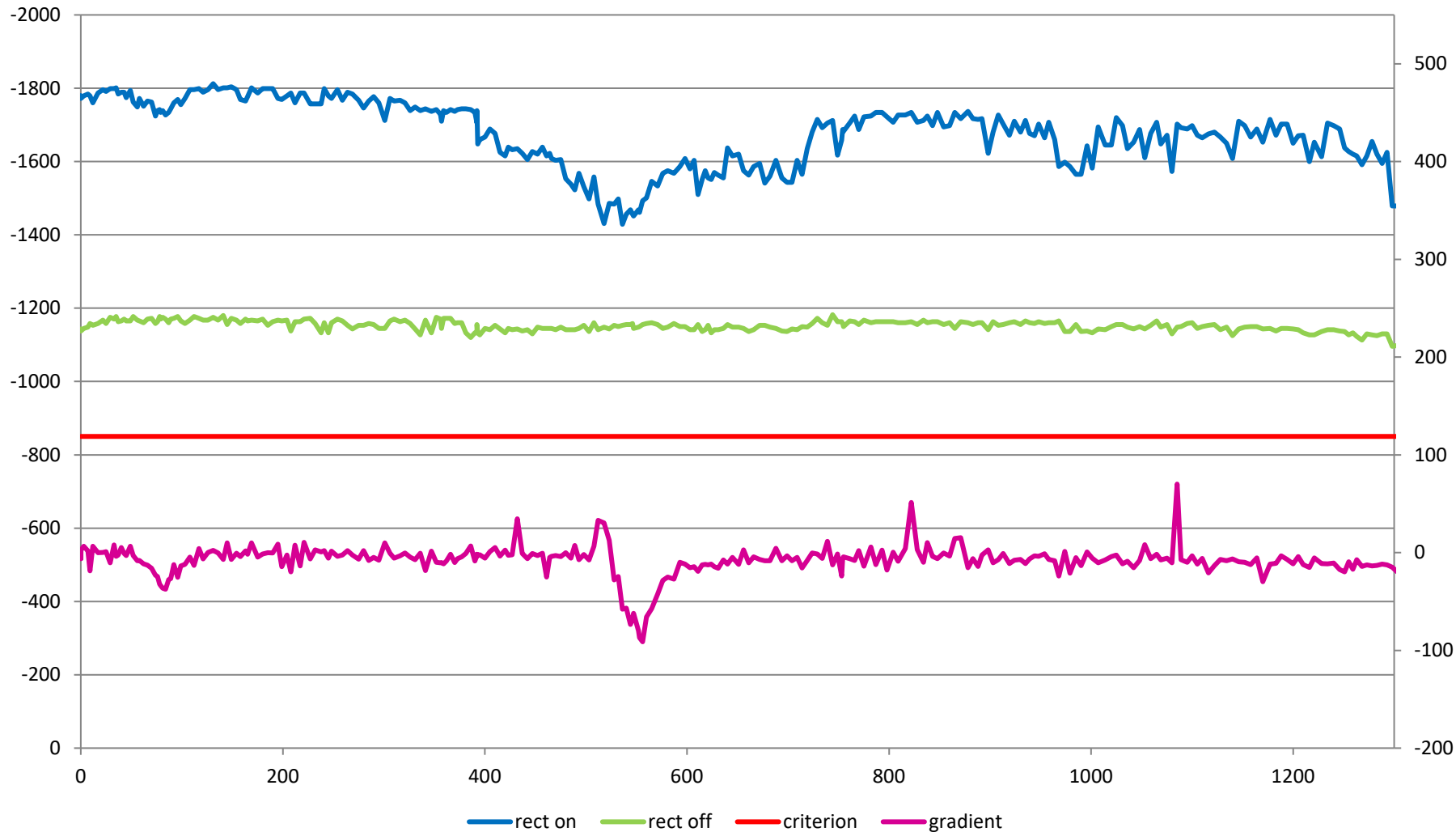
# Combined CIPS + DCVG Surveys

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- The combined data makes it easier to assess the requirement for mitigation
- Coating defects that result in unprotected pipe should be repaired
- CIPS + DCVG not only point out the coating defects but the areas where corrosion is likely occurring.



# Combined CIPS + DCVG Surveys





# Combined CIPS & DCVG Surveys

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# Stray Current

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- When performing a CIPS, set out a stationary data logger in the survey area
- The data will show any telluric or dynamic stray current on the line



# Stray Current Correction

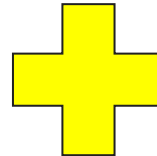
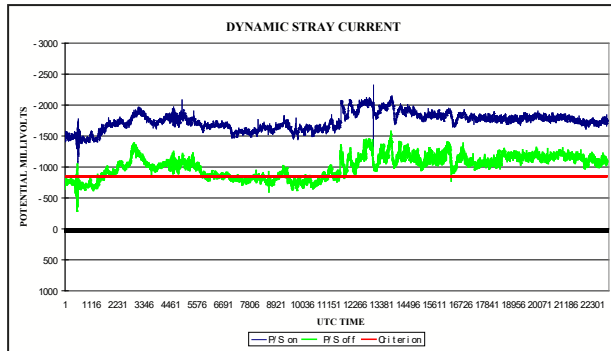
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- GPS time stamp is used to compare the logger data with the mobile CIPS data
- Correcting for the stray current provides a more accurate reading of the CP on the pipeline
  - $\text{CIPSCorrected} = \text{CIPSTime X} + (\text{LoggerTime X} - \text{Average (LoggerTime Interval)})$

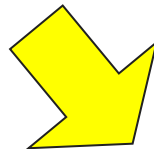
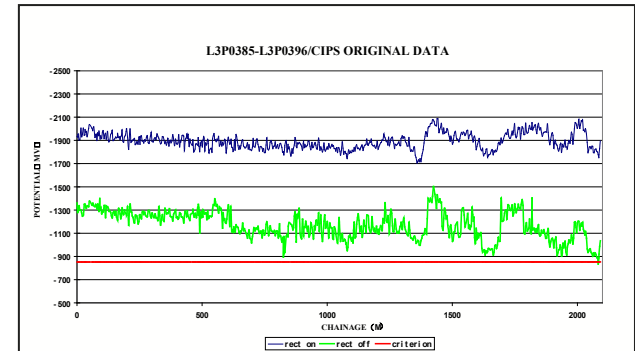


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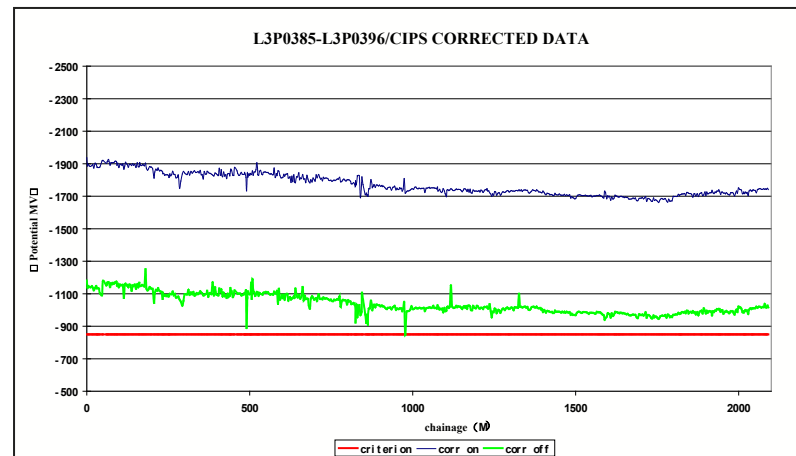
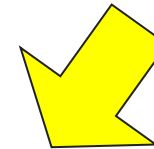
## Data From Test Station



## CIPS Data Along Pipeline



## Corrected CIPS Data



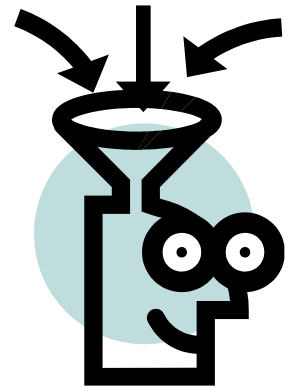
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# **Data Examples**

# Combining Multiple Sources

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- All of the data sources above can be looked at together
- By knowing the pipeline information and results from multiple tests, a complete picture of the line condition can be seen





# Example

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- CIPS meets criterion, DCVG shows defect, no construction in the area in years, PIG shows consistent wall thickness
- Monitor
  - low probability of corrosion



# Example

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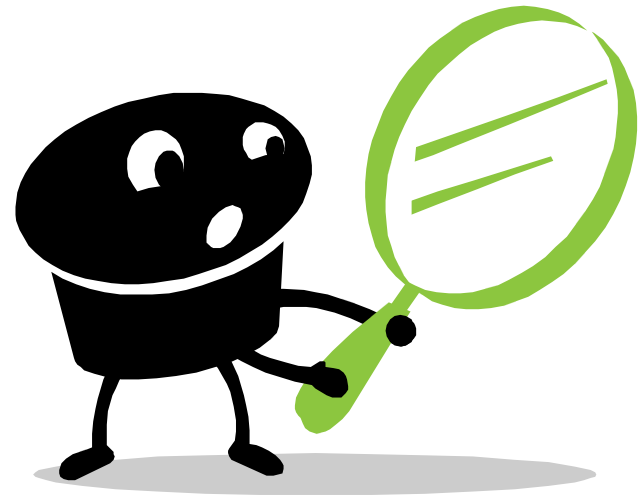
- CIPS goes below criterion, DCVG shows defect, new maps show a new subdivision in that area
- High priority for repair
  - Coating damage
  - High consequence area
  - Inadequate levels of CP



# Example

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- CIPS goes below criterion, DCVG shows no defect, foreign line in the area
- More investigation
  - Possible stray current interference
    - Foreign pipeline
    - DC transit, welding, mining, etc.
  - Soil resistivity



# Comparing Years

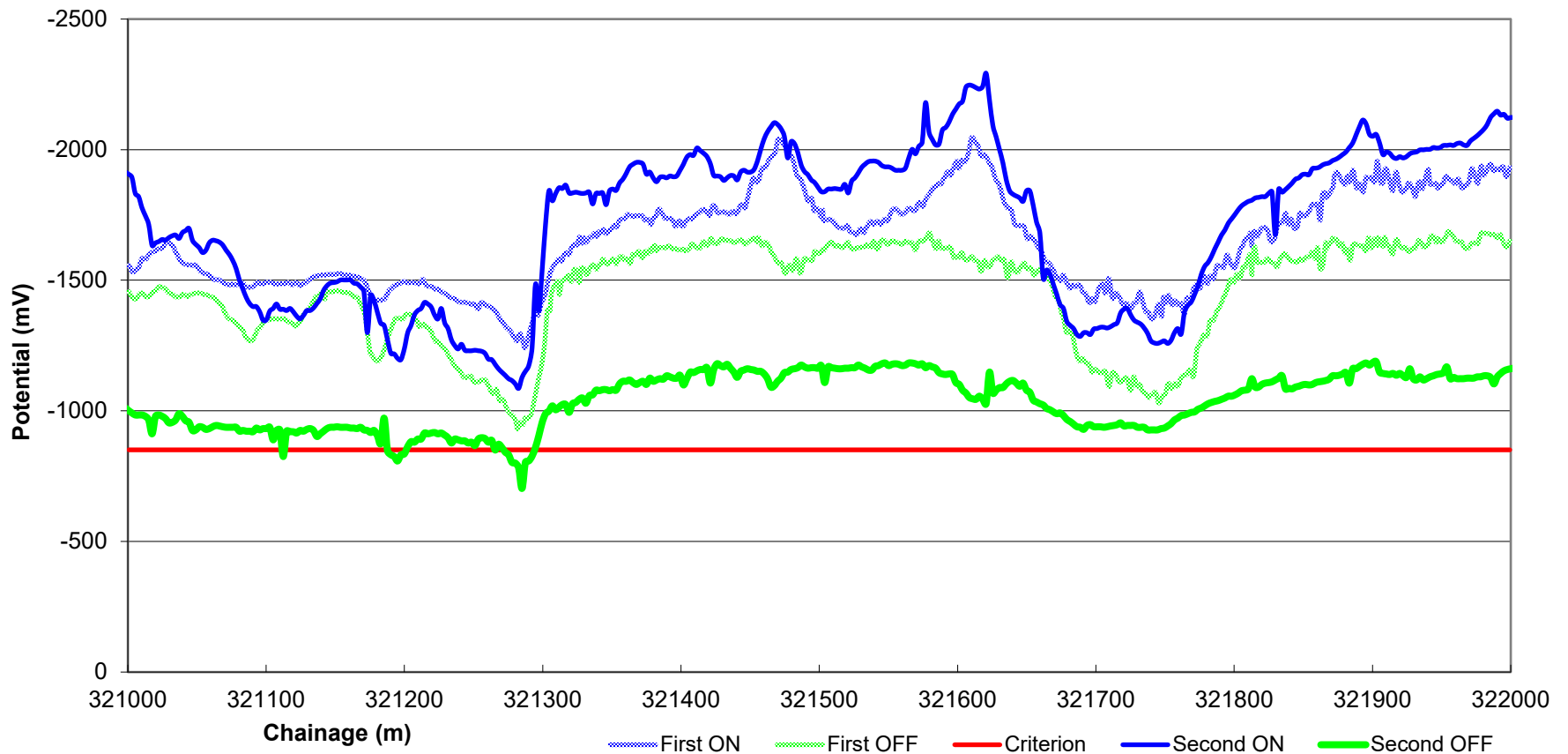
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- Another test data source is from prior years and surveys
- When you have access to multiple years of data for your pipeline, it can be useful to compare the results
- Trends can appear
- Also acts as a check for your survey methodology



# Comparing Years

Comparison of CIPS Surveys Taken 5 Years Apart



# Comparing Years

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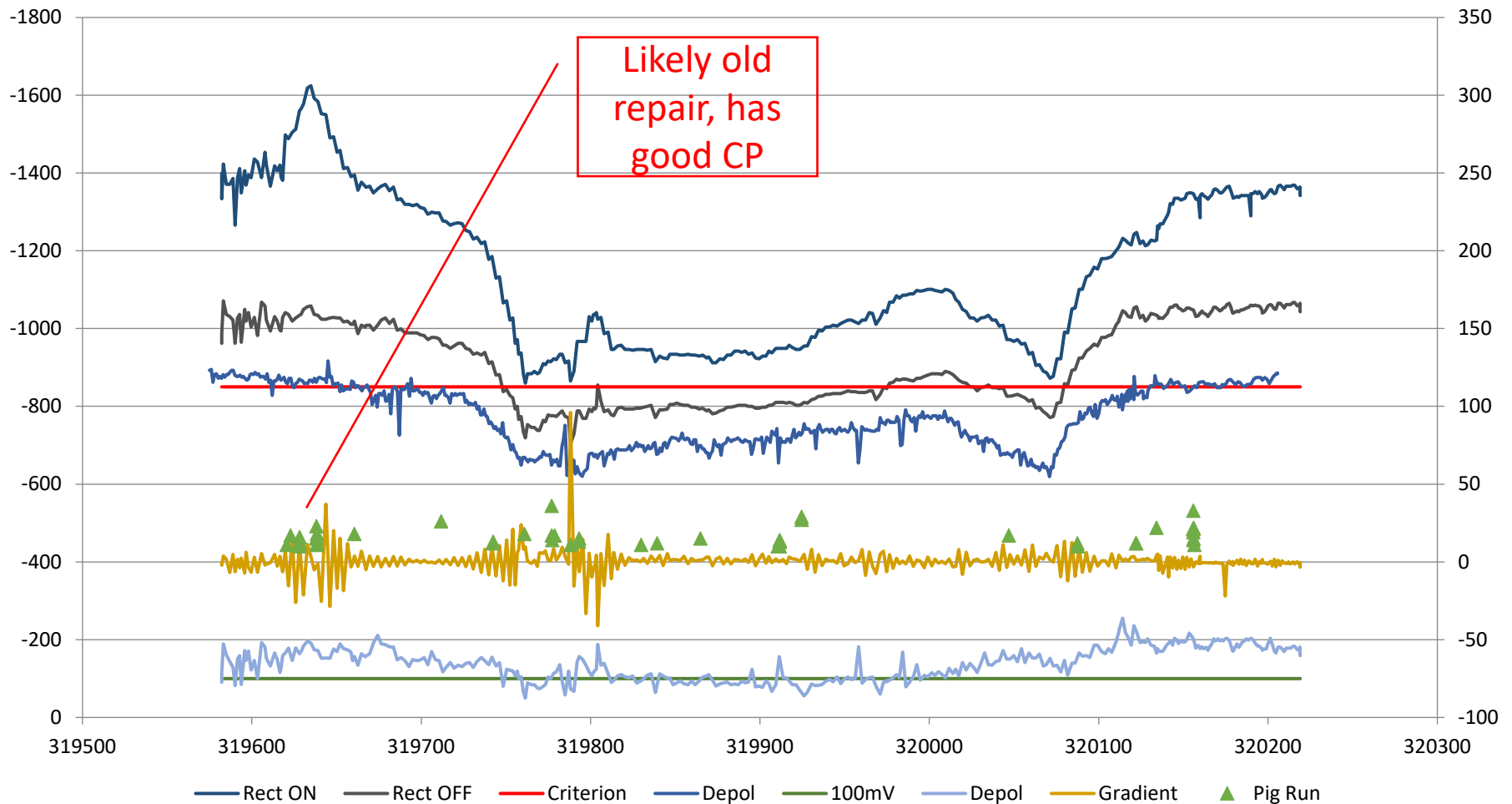
- 2 surveys 5 years apart
- ON potential (BLUE) very similar
  - Good indication of accuracy for both surveys
- OFF potential (GREEN) different
  - Same shape = survey in the same area
  - Previous survey had higher values
  - Possible causes:
    - Not all rectifiers interrupted during old survey
    - Rectifier output reduced between surveys





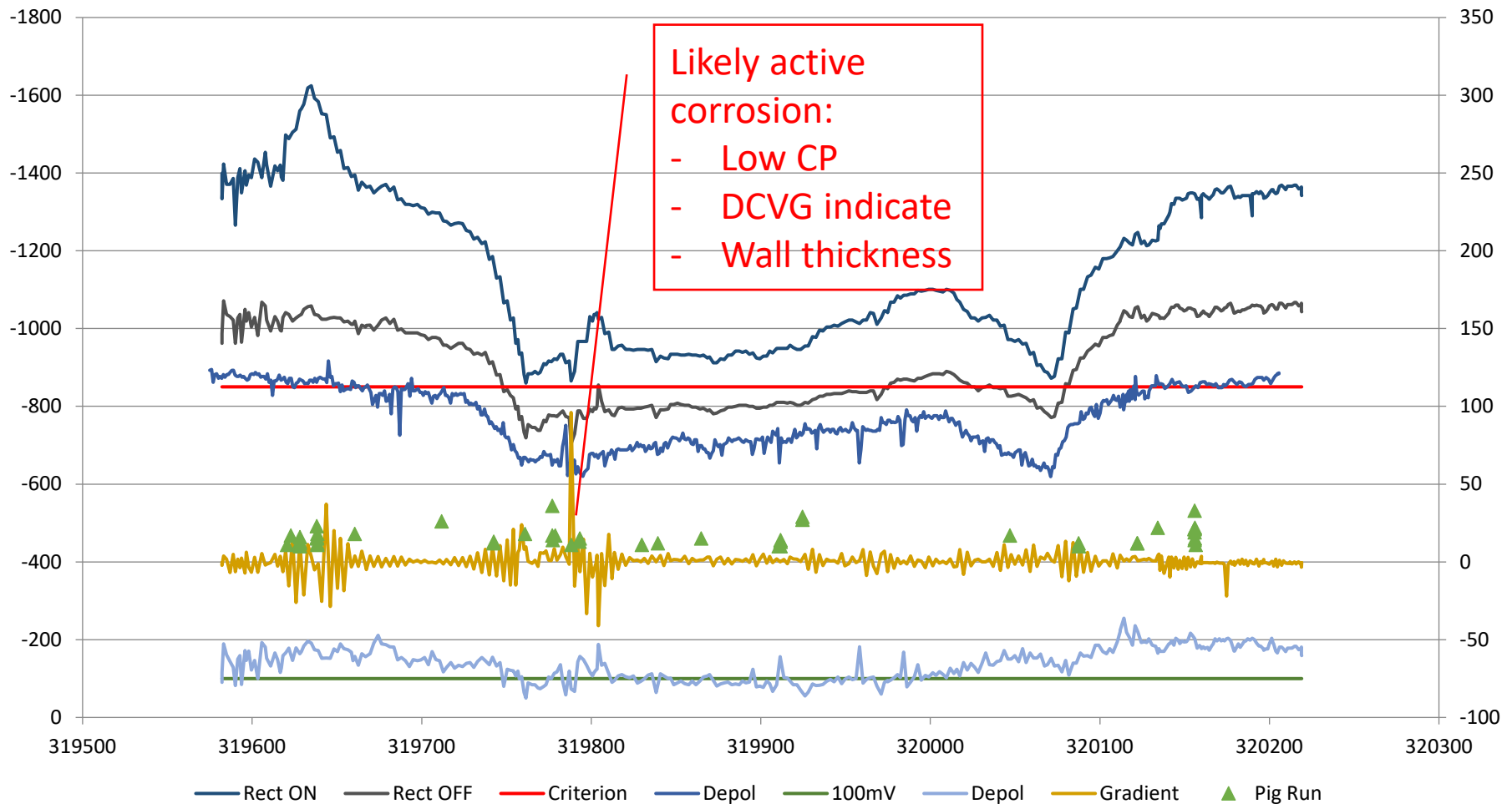
# All Available Data

CIPS & DCVG & Depol



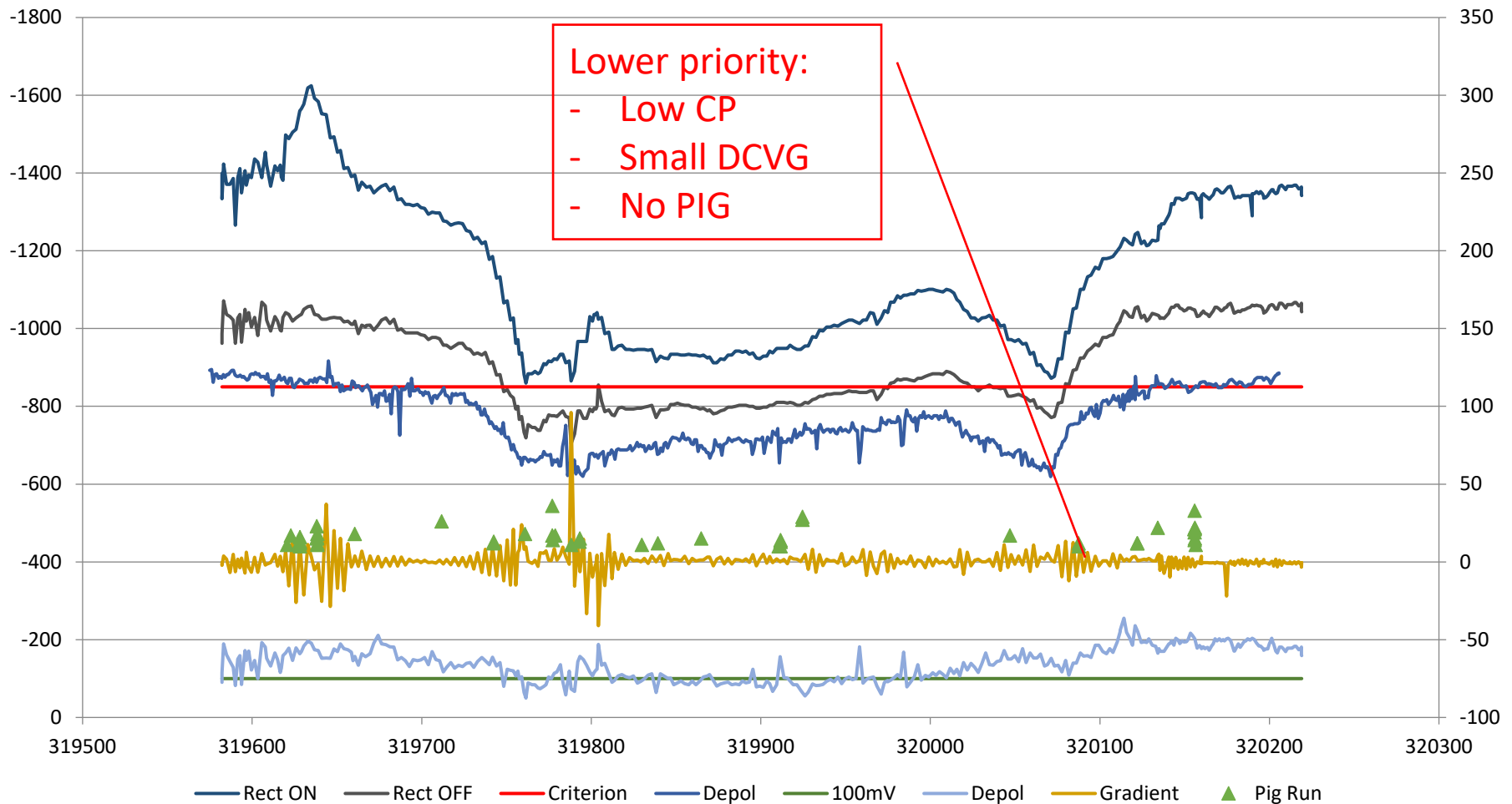
# All Available Data

## CIPS & DCVG & Depol



# All Available Data

## CIPS & DCVG & Depol



# Conclusions

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- More data = more information
  - Have the ability to access the raw data
  - Manipulate the data to combine multiple sources
- In this case, the first low CIPS indication is higher priority for repair than the second



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# **Consistent Analysis**

# Lots of Data – Now What?

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- Analysis of data by Corrosion Professional
- Reports to management
- Prepare for audit from inspectors (PHMSA, etc)
- Data available for future comparisons with surveys, digs, leaks, etc.





# Analysis Tools

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## Done by One Person

- Subjective – based on their education & experience
- Usually has lots of knowledge of pipeline history
- If that person leaves...

## Analysis Tools

- Decision matrix
- Fuzzy logic
- Priority table
- Must take time / experience to develop
- Creates long term consistency



# Setting priorities

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## Lower Priority

- Factors that can influence the growth of damage
  - Soil type
  - Soil resistivity / pH
  - Leak / repair history
  - Presence of bacteria

## Higher Priority

- Anything that indicates damage to pipe wall = potential leak
  - Coating damage indication (DCVG, ACVG, etc)
  - ILI indication, especially if they show growth over time
  - CIPS below -850mV criterion
  - Stray current area

# Priority System Example Results

DEFECT #	IR%	DCVG Class.	OFF (mV)	CIPS Class.	Dip (mV)	Dip Class.	$\rho$ ( $\Omega$ .cm)	Resistivity Class.	P	Overall Class.
1	56.15	B	-688.00	Unprotected	341.20	Severe	199760.87	Not corrosive	0.421087	Severe
2	56.70	B	-797.00	Unprotected	230.40	Severe	7329.99	Moderately corrosive	0.496444	Severe
3	51.75	B	-817.00	Unprotected	80.00	Moderate	360412.26	Not corrosive	0.574235	Severe
4	38.40	B	-817.00	Unprotected	232.80	Severe	4626.72	Moderately corrosive	1.227086	Moderate
5	44.52	B	-742.00	Unprotected	342.80	Severe	71741.80	Not corrosive	1.260247	Moderate
6	35.79	B	-880.00	Protected	189.00	Severe	517684.56	Not corrosive	1.448639	Moderate
7	28.57	C	-815.00	Unprotected	214.80	Severe	369954.15	Not corrosive	1.488386	Moderate
8	27.96	C	-859.00	Protected	75.60	Moderate	112725.28	Not corrosive	1.488757	Moderate
9	36.43	B	-959.00	Protected	84.00	Moderate	353654.09	Not corrosive	1.503045	Moderate
10	27.80	C	-817.00	Unprotected	153.60	Severe	287568.83	Not corrosive	1.515706	Moderate
11	5.31	D	-943.00	Protected	28.80	Minor	470715.27	Not corrosive	2.000000	Minor

# Model Development

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- Model should be based on your pipeline & sound corrosion engineering
  - Available data
  - History of your pipe, surveys vs leaks
- Many companies have developed something
  - Ask colleagues, survey contractors
  - Look up NACE papers (2010-10054, C2012-1231, C2012-1479, C2015-5675)



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# **Database Considerations**

# Data Integration

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- There is lots of data available, now what?
  - Know where the information/reports are stored in the office or on the computer
  - Insist that any surveys done provide you with an electronic copy of the data
  - Purchase a database program to bring the different pieces of data together
  - Design your own database program





# Data Base Programs

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- There are several commercially available data base programs on in which you can store the information required for ECDA
- Be careful about proprietary data formats
- General DB:
  - Oracle
  - Microsoft Access
  - MySQL
- Pipeline Specific:
  - PCS
  - ProActive



# PODS

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- Pipeline Open Data Standard
- Not for profit association of:
  - Equipment manufacturers
  - Database programmers
  - Oil & Gas companies
- Sets data storage and format for oil & gas industry data



# PODS Module Example



## Cathodic Protection Features Module

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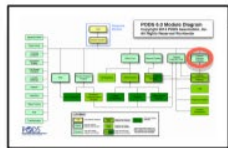
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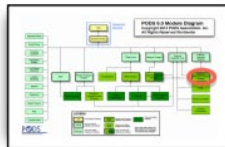
Pipeline Open Data Standard

## Cathodic Protection Feature Reading Module

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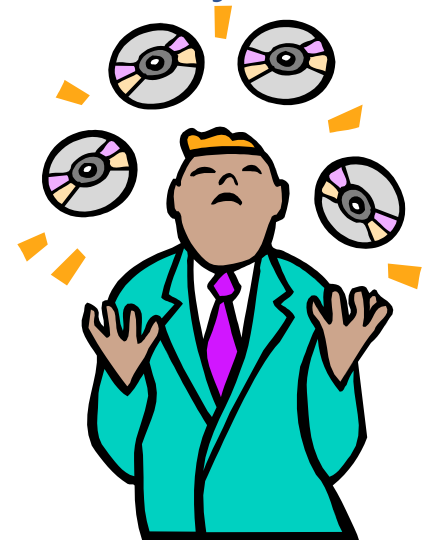
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# Database Considerations

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- Before purchasing software consider:
  - Number & ability of users
  - Other systems that need to connect, i.e. remote monitoring
  - In house technical ability
  - Type and amount of data to be tracked
  - Import/export ability, especially for your survey data
  - Budget



# General Database

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## Pro's

- Customizable
- Access is included with Microsoft Office, no additional cost
- Accessed by many people, no per-seat cost
- Can be password protected

## Con's

- Requires programming
- Knowledgeable person to design & maintain database
- Tricky to interface with other programs
- May not graph well

# Pipeline Specific

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## Pro's

- Scalable with choice of different modules
- Manages many pieces of pipeline information
- Remote access
- Already set up for pipeline oriented data
- Can pay for customization if needed

## Con's

- Cost to purchase
- Cost per seat
- Costs may be yearly, not just one time
- Confirm that current computers / network can handle
- Sometimes issues exporting data out



# Physical Security

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- How to protect the data integrity
  - Backup on a regular schedule
  - Protect computers from power surges
  - Daily emails from site
- Remote access from other offices / field techs
- Off-site backup
  - In case something ever happens to your office



# Intellectual Security

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- Who has access to info?
  - Who decides?
- Is there information that is confidential?
  - Can you have different levels of access?
- Can you view/print/share information when needed?
- Unauthorized data entry

# Database Information

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- What information do you need to store?
  - Alignment / GPS
  - Valves
  - Pumps
  - ECDA (surface surveys & digs)
  - Metal & coating
  - Internal corrosion
  - Product history (flow, pressure)
- Needs vs Wants



# Suggested Questions

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- Cost? Initial, per year, per seat
- Ability to import & export data (format)
- Database stored on site or remote
- Remote access from other offices / field
- Will it handle all info needed
- Interface with other programs (accounting, work orders, etc)
- Computer & network capacity
- Customizable
- Training



# In Conclusion

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- Know your pipeline and what data is available to you
- Know what works for you and your company
- Keep the data together as much as possible
- Compare different data sets to look for commonalities and changes



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# **Thank You For Your Time and Attention**

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