

# Chevron Pipe Line's Leak Detection System Perspectives



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# Agenda, Key Messages & Desired Outcomes



## Considerations

- Layers of Redundancy into overall LDS Strategy
- LDS Changes due to HL IMP Rule
- External, Environmental, & Operating Conditions impacts on LDS Technology / Performance
- Human Factors as it affects LDS Performance
- Pipeline shut-in time improved via valves, meters, and CPM
- False positives/negatives addressed with LDS
- CAPEX/OPEX LDS costs New vs. Old pipelines
- Pilots, Projects, and R & D efforts

## Key Messages

- Topic summary/conclusions:
  - Non-conventional LDS redundancy is being piloted while conventional is maintained
  - To date, over 350 LDCE PAMM projects due to HL IMP Rule
  - Technology and performance do not necessarily align during these conditions
  - Both SMEs and Controllers can affect of the LDS Performance as there are many Human Factors involved besides fatigue
  - Shut-in improvement through Integrated Spill Management
  - Process and Protocol for CPM Tuning
  - Millions of dollars have been spent on Capital and Expense
  - All of the above approach: Pilots, Projects, and R & D efforts

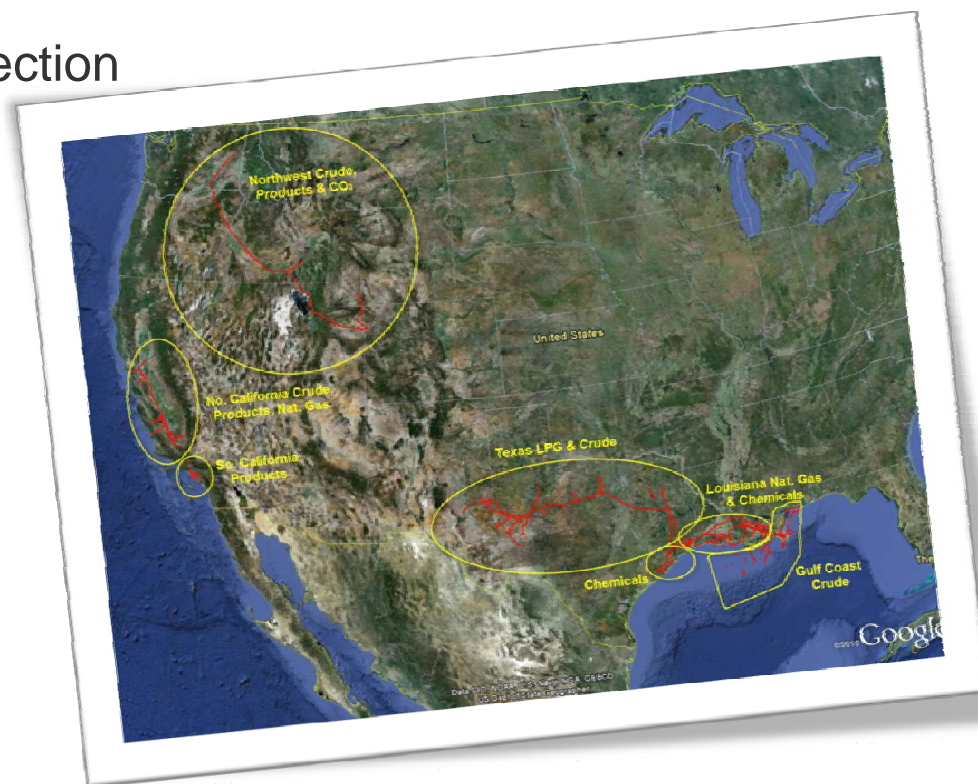
## Desired Outcomes

- Outline Company Perspectives and address PHMSA's meeting considerations

# Briefly About Chevron Pipe Line Company



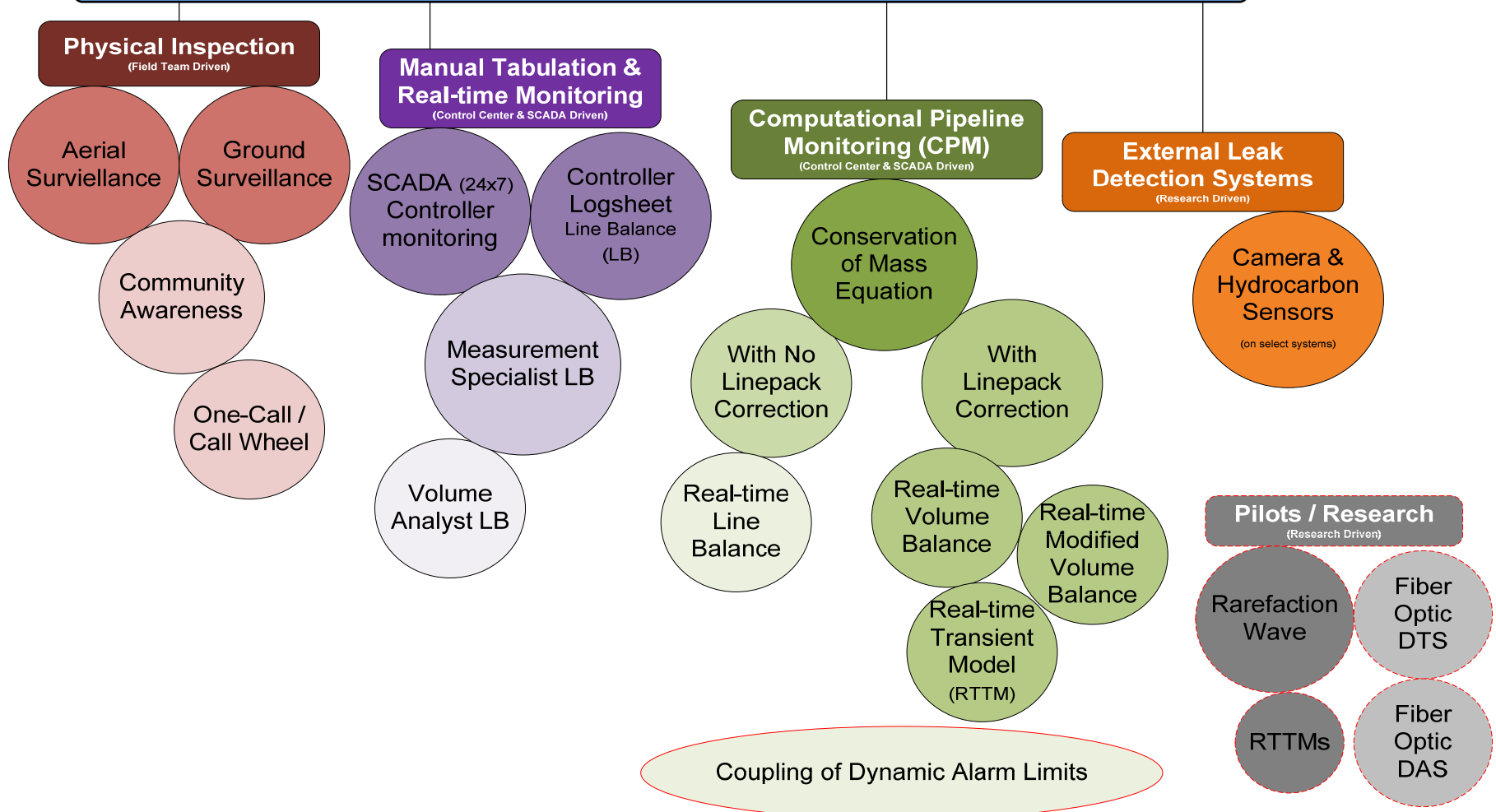
- CPL is responsible for operating and maintaining Chevron Corporation's Common Carrier and Proprietary Pipeline Business in the U.S.A.
- Operates 9,673 miles of pipeline in the U.S.A. and the Gulf of Mexico
- 100+ Computerized Leak Detection Records
- Transports:
  - Crude
  - Petrochemicals
  - Refined Products
  - Carbon Dioxide
  - Liquefied Petroleum Gas
  - Natural Gas Liquids
  - Natural Gas



# CPLs Overall LDS Redundancy Strategy



## Different Layers of Pipeline Leak Detection Systems based on Asset Risk



## LDS Changes Due to the HL IMP Rule



- Identified over 350 LDCE PAMM projects, which ranged from:
  - More meter & instrumentation calibration / verification, accuracy improvements
  - Capital Investment replace equipment (or add new)
  - Improved tuning and alarming parameters
  - Add CPM
  - Add linepack compensation
  - Add more trending capabilities
  - More SME support activities





## External, Environmental, & Operating Conditions impacts on LDS Technology / Performance

- There is no one size fits all for every pipeline
  - The reason for different layers of pipeline leak detection systems based on asset risk
- CPL focuses on the factors and considerations outlined by the regulations and PHMSA FAQs as well as other significant factors not outlined
  - We assess the risk and deploy the appropriate tools needed to mitigate that risk
- Factors included in the assessment:
  - *49 CFR 195.452(i)(3)* {8}
  - *PHMSA FAQ 9.4* {9}
  - Measurement and instrumentation spacing
  - Meter proving (meter factor) errors
  - Online fluid property instrumentation, especially at inlets or intersections of pipe
  - Fluid temperature instrumentation or thermal modeling capabilities
  - Hours of operation
  - Slack line (channel-flow) operations / conditions
  - Startup transients
  - Communication outages and latency
  - Human Factors
    - ❖ Data availability and presentation,
    - ❖ Understanding of fluid behavior in pipeline operation,
    - ❖ Any fixed or manual entries for process variables
  - Frequency of pigging
  - Use of Drag Reduction Agents (DRA)

# Human Factors affecting LDS Performance



- CPL has implemented a CRMP process that encompasses all the factors outlined below that affect a Controller when monitoring the pipeline and leak detection system:
  - Fatigue mitigation,
  - Providing adequate information,
    - ❖ HMI graphics and transparency,
    - ❖ Ease of data availability,
  - Alarm management,
  - Change Management,
  - Operating Experience,
  - Training,
  - Confidence in systems





## Improving Shut-In times through Integrated Spill Management

- A spill quantification toolset has been developed to:
  - Provide a principled basis for analysis and quantification of pipeline spill impacts
  - Evaluation of the design, operational and spill response alternatives
  - Monitor and understand spill scenario evolution on a transient basis
  - It includes the CPM, valves, meters
- CPL has seen shut-in improvements by using this toolset
  - For example, shut-in from 2.5 hours to 30 minutes on one of our crude pipeline systems just by using this toolset





# Addressing false positives/negatives within LDS



- CPL has developed and implemented a CPM Tuning process
  - All CPM records are evaluated at least once a year
  - Documented per API 1130
  - There is a balance with each pipeline system of number of alarms versus sensitivity per averaging period
- All leak detection alarms are documented in the Controller Logbook, and/or annotations on the Trending
- Deviation monitoring, which includes leak alarms, are:
  - Documented for historical review by the Controller on duty
  - Reviewed daily with Console Operations Representative
  - Weekly with Console Supervisor
  - Monthly with a Control Center Leadership Team
- CPL has advanced analytical team to assist the Controller in addressing and analyzing the false positives/negatives within a LDS, both day and night
- Usual reasons for the false positives / negatives indications:
  - Measurement issue
  - Instrumentation problem
  - Communication issue
  - Operational issue
  - Software / application issue
  - PCN related issue
  - CPM Tuning issue

# Industry Collaborations, Research, Testing, New Advances, and Other Focus Areas



- Industry Collaborations
  - API, PRCI, IPC, PSIG,
  - Vendor User Groups
- External Research
  - PRCI: PL-1-1 *Detection of Small Leaks*
  - PRCI: PL-1-2 *Enhancement to API 1149*
  - PRCI: DP-3-3 *Human Factor Impacts*
- Internal Research
  - Fiber Optic DTS and DAS tests
  - Statistical algorithms
- Pilot Testing
  - Rarefaction Wave
  - Two RTTMs head-to-head comparison
- New Advances
  - JIP: Subsea Leak Detection
- Other Focus Areas
  - Release Elimination Culture
  - Proactive and Repair project via Integrity Maintenance program
  - Equipment Reliability & Integrity Process
  - Control Center Visualization project
  - Alarm Objective Analysis across consoles
  - CRMP Plan improvements
  - SCADA & Communication system upgrade evaluations
  - Withdraw Test Protocol
  - Analytics relative to historical incidents
  - More Organizational Capability

# CPL Culture Shift: Release Elimination



- Chevron's priority is spill prevention
- Apply same focus as Safety
  - Zero Is Attainable
  - Zero Tolerance Climate
  - "Always" Manage the Risk
- Coordination of all release elimination activities (Repairs, Proactive, Mitigative)
- Reinforce Leadership Accountability
  - Tone at the top
  - Individual commitment
  - Scorecard metrics
- Share Lessons Learned (CPL & beyond)
  - Common Themes

# Thank You.



## ➤ Acronyms:

- CPL—Chevron Pipe Line
- LDCE – Leak Detection Capability Evaluation
- CPM – Computational Pipeline Monitoring
- PAMM– Preventative and Mitigative Measure
- HL IMP – Hazardous Liquid Integrity Management Plan
- LDS– Leak Detection System
- LD—Leak Detection
- LB—Line Balance
- RTTM—Real-time Transient Model
- CAPEX –Capital Expenditure
- OPEX –Operational Expenditure
- SCADA—Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition
- PHMSA—Pipeline Hazardous Material Safety Administration
- SME—Subject Matter Expert
- R & D—Research and Development
- DTS—Distributed Temperature Sensing
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- API—American Petroleum Institute
- PRCI—Pipeline Research Council Incorporated
- PSIG—Pipeline Simulation Interest Group
- IPC –International Pipeline Conference
- JIP—Joint Industry Project
- FAQ—Frequently Asked Questions
- CRMP—Control Room Management Plan
- HMI—Human Machine Interface
- DRA—Drag Reducing Agent
- PCN—Process Control Network