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Analytically Investigating Derailment Incidents

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Overview

- Investigating incidents scientifically is the best way to prevent future incidents.
- Gather data from Infrastructure, Equipment, and Operations viewpoints.
- Analyzing this data will point to a hypothesis.
- Use simulations as needed to “recreate” what happened.
- Confirm the data, analyses, and simulations support your hypothesis.
- Develop a cause statement that expresses the root cause(s) and conditions that led to the derailment.

Infrastructure

Analyzing Track Data



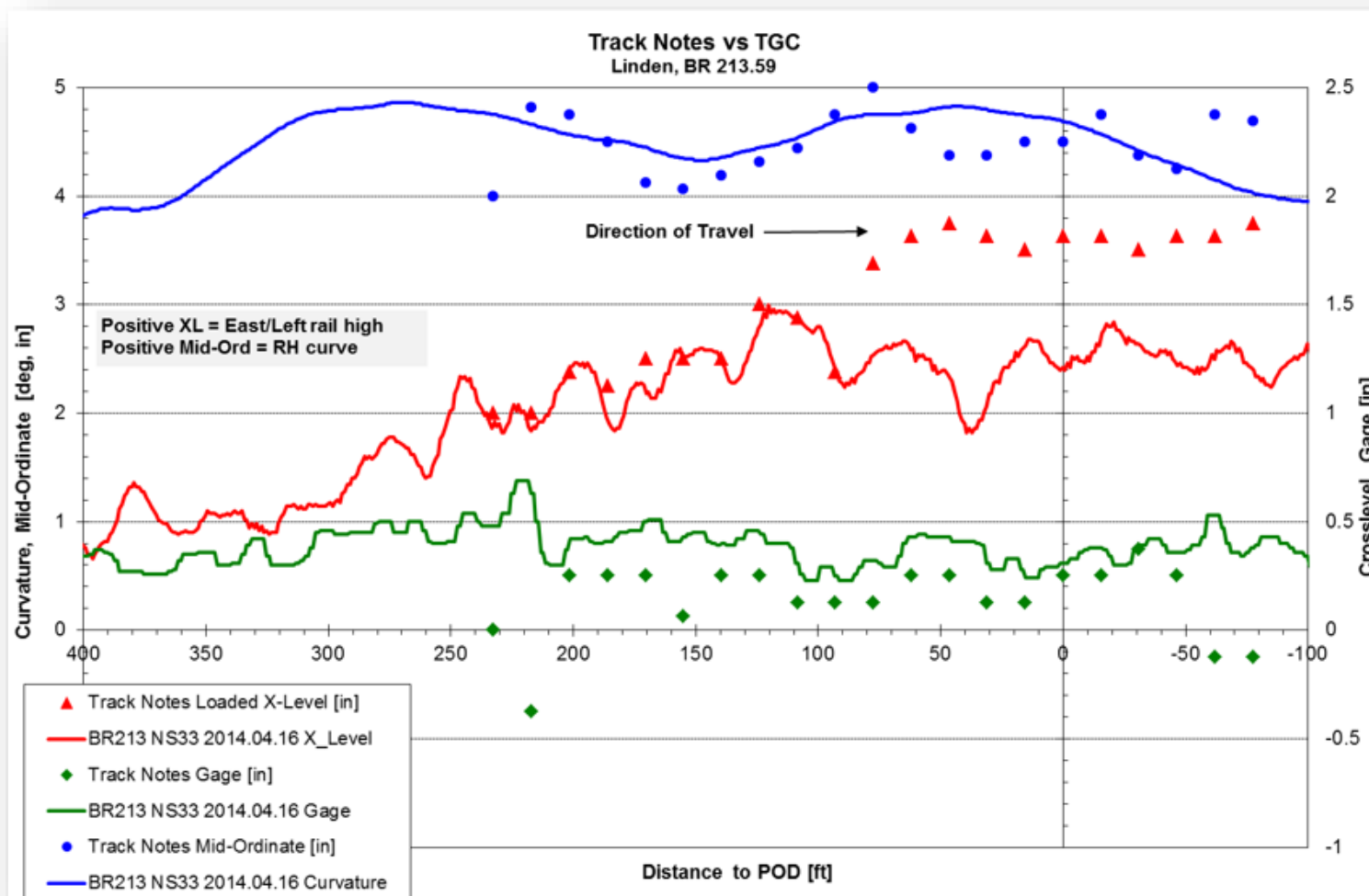


Track Analysis

- Obtain digital copy of most recent track geometry test.
 - Review and plot in MultiVu or a spreadsheet program
- Obtain and plot track station measurements.
 - “Track notes” usually taken after an incident
 - Gage, Crosslevel, Alignment measured with level board and 62-ft chord or equivalent
- Plot station measurements and track geometry test data together to document POD location and confirm conditions at the time of the incident.



Analyzing Track Notes & Track Geometry Data



Equipment

Assessing Vehicle Conditions





Equipment Assessment

- Determine the first vehicle and first wheel to derail.
- Measure key vehicle conditions as much as possible.
 - Suspension components, side bearings, wheel profiles, etc.
- Review wayside detector data
 - Wheel force detectors (i.e., “WILD” data)
 - Optical geometry detectors
 - Wheel profile detectors
- Synthesize all available information to deduce car condition, especially if simulations will be needed.

Equipment Inspection

MECHANICAL DERAILMENT INSPECTION SHEET (STANDARD CAR)

Date: 7-17-14 Inspector: V. D. Foster Train: 236 Div.: VA

1. Car Initial and Number: ETX 701262 Inspection Location: ROANOKE VA
Car Type: E Leading End: A ☐ or B ☒
Loaded: ☒ or Empty: ☐ Truck Center Distance: 64'

2. Wheel Conditions (AAR Rule 41):
A. Tread Profile: Measure tread following with "Tread Worn Hollow Gage" (Rule 41) **NOT Tread Thickness**
B. Flange Wear: (Finger gage)

B-TRUCK		A-TRUCK	
L1	L2	L3	L4
0	0.5	2	0
R1	R2	R3	R4
2.5	2	0	0

B-TRUCK		A-TRUCK	
L1	L2	L3	L4
0	0	0	0
R1	R2	R3	R4
7	0	0	0

C. Tapeline Circumference: [inches]

B-TRUCK		A-TRUCK	
L1	L2	L3	L4
88 1/4	88 1/4	84 7/8	89 1/8
R1	R2	R3	R4
47 15/16	88 3/4	84 1/2	89 1/4

D. Back-to-Back Wheel Spacing at 3 locations: [inches]

B-TRUCK		A-TRUCK	
1	2	3	4
52 15/16	53	53	52 15/16
52 15/16	53	53	52 15/16
52 15/16	53	53	52 15/16

3. Side Bearings: (AAR Rule 62)

Type: Non-Contacting: Roller ☐ or Solid Block ☐ - OR - Constant Contact: ☒

Manufacturer/model: MINER TCC-111-60LT Metal Capped?: YES ☒ NO ☐

Side Bearing Clearance (Non-Contacting) or Side Bearing Set-Up Height

B-TRUCK		A-TRUCK	
BL	BR	AL	AR
5 1/4 in	4 5/8 in	4 5/8 in	4 5/8 in

4. Truck Type, Friction Wedges, Springs & Bolster Pockets: (AAR Rules 41 & 62)

Note: Name on side frame does not necessarily indicate type of truck. Consult AAR Field Manual for details.

Type: ASF RideControl ☐ (constant damping) ASF RideMaster ☐ (variable damping)

Type: Barber S2 ☐ Barber S-2-C ☐ Barber S-2-HD ☐ Barber S-2-M ☐

Type: National Swing Motion ☒ Buckeye ☐ Other: 51741

Friction Wedge Type: Steel ☒ or Non-Metallic Backed ☐

Spring Arrangement: 505-0, 2-05-1N, 2-SP-01AL Stenciled on Car, if present

Supplemental Snubbing: IN 20 Example: HS-7 Hydraulic

Note number and location of any missing or additional coils differing from standard

Friction Wedge Rise Measurements: [inches] ***Important Measurement***

B-TRUCK		A-TRUCK	
BL	BR	AL	AR

Measure from top "land" on R shoulder on RideMaster and B top of bolster surface. (See AAR Rule 62)

Column Wear Plate Condition: (Note hollow wear depth, unusual wear pattern)

B-TRUCK				A-TRUCK			
L1	L2	R1	R2	L3	L4	R3	R4
✓	✓	✓	✓	OK	OK		

A. Measure depth of center plate and bolster bowl: (inches)

	B-TRUCK	A-TRUCK
Center Plate Height*	1 1/2	1 1/2
Center Bowl Depth**	1 3/4	1 1/4

* Measure to centerplate casting (horizontal surface) not to toe of plate fillet weld.
** Measure to top of shim(s), if present. Measure at most shallow location.

B. Center plate and bolster bowl diameters: (inches)

		Longitudinal	Lateral
A-End	Center Plate Diameter	13 3/4	13 3/4
A-End	Bolster Bowl Diameter	14 1/8	14 1/8
B-End	Center Plate Diameter	13 3/4	13 5/8
B-End	Bolster Bowl Diameter	14 1/8	14 1/8

Note conditions such as broken rim liners or uneven centerplate sides.

C. Contact between center plate fillet and edge of truck bolster rim (Yes/No)?
B-Truck: NO A-Truck: NO

8. Center plate lubrication: (jack car and inspect)

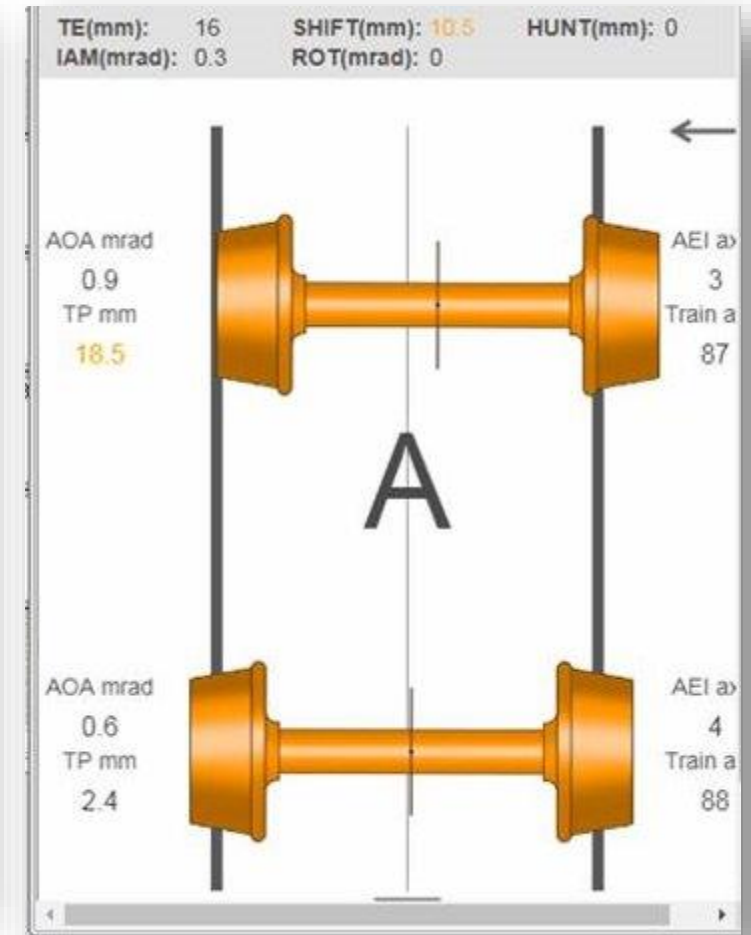
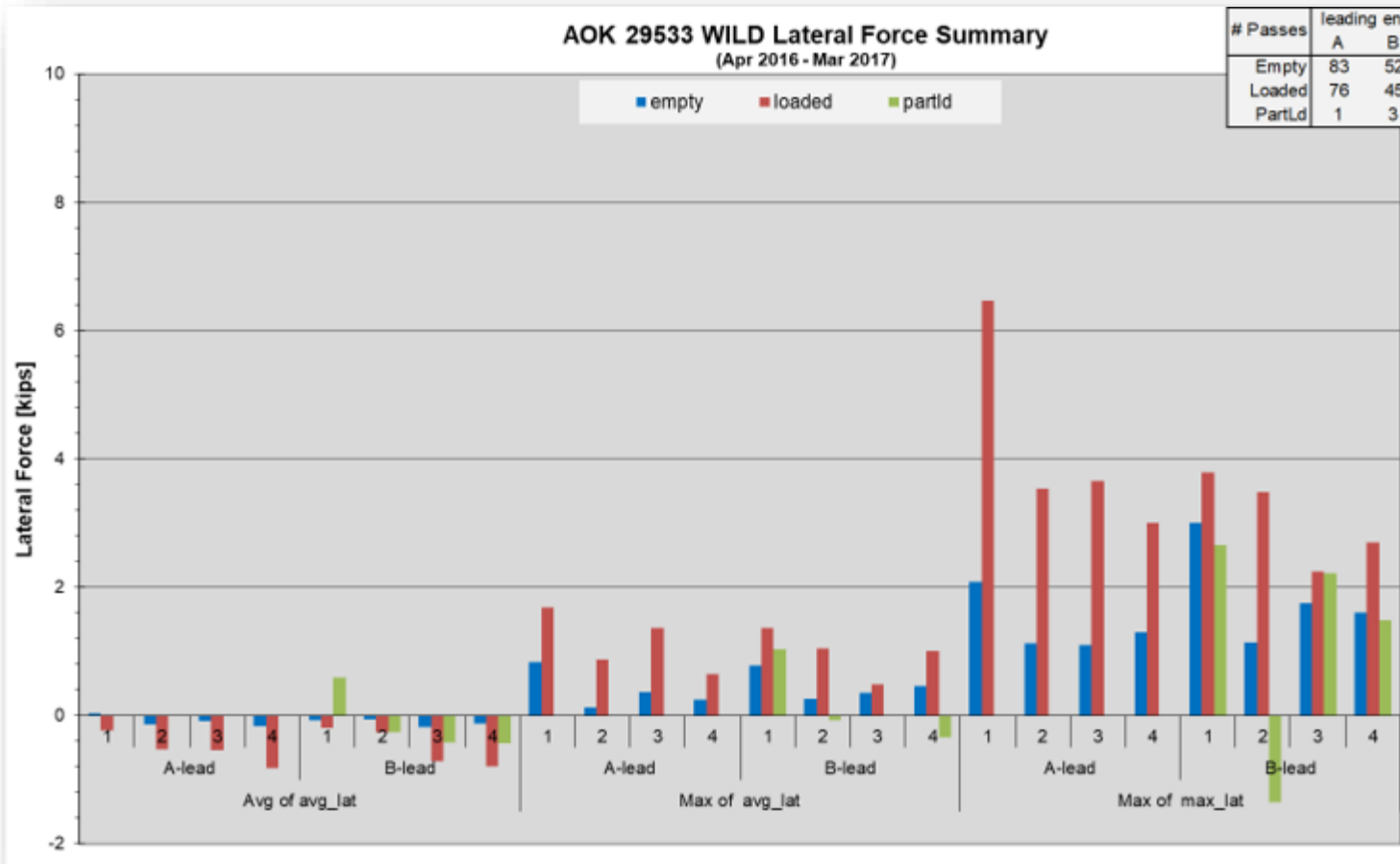
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Non-metallic Liner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9. Couplers and Draft Gear:
Coupler Style (e.g., "E60" "E67" etc.): E69
Cushion Unit: YES ☒ NO ☐ Cushion Unit: End-of-Car ☒ Center Sill ☐
Cushion unit travel [inches] and markings: 10" E662

10. Other Observations:
(Built-up tread, spalling, shelling, etc.)



Wayside Data Analysis



Operations

Analyzing Train Handling



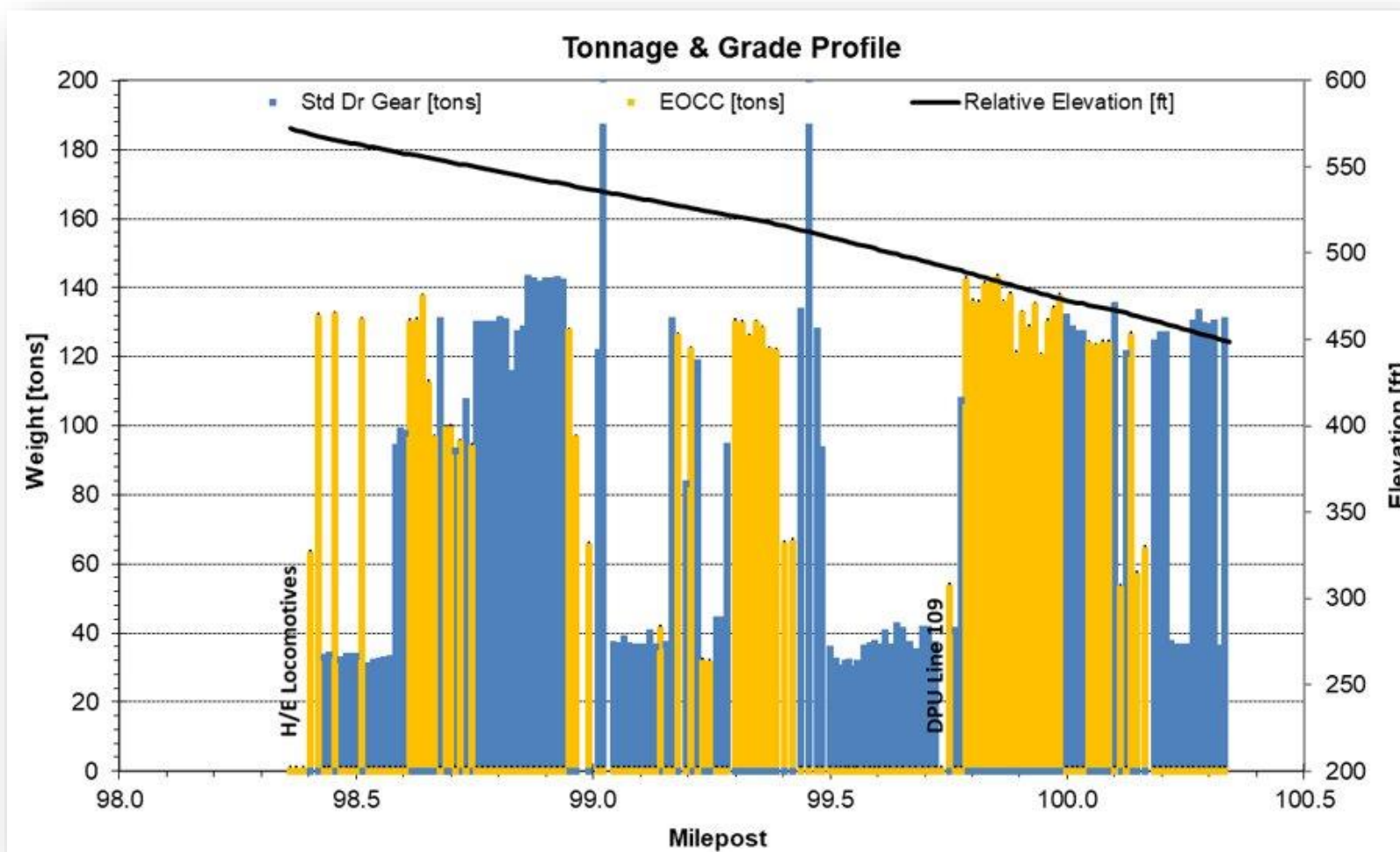


Analyze Train Handling and Makeup

- Obtain details of the train consist.
 - Car/wagon types, weights, and draft gear types
 - Locomotive types, active in power or braking
- Obtain records of train operation.
 - Event recorder files, locomotive GPS coordinates and final resting location



Train Consist: Tonnage & Draft Gear Profile





Analyzing Event Recorder Data



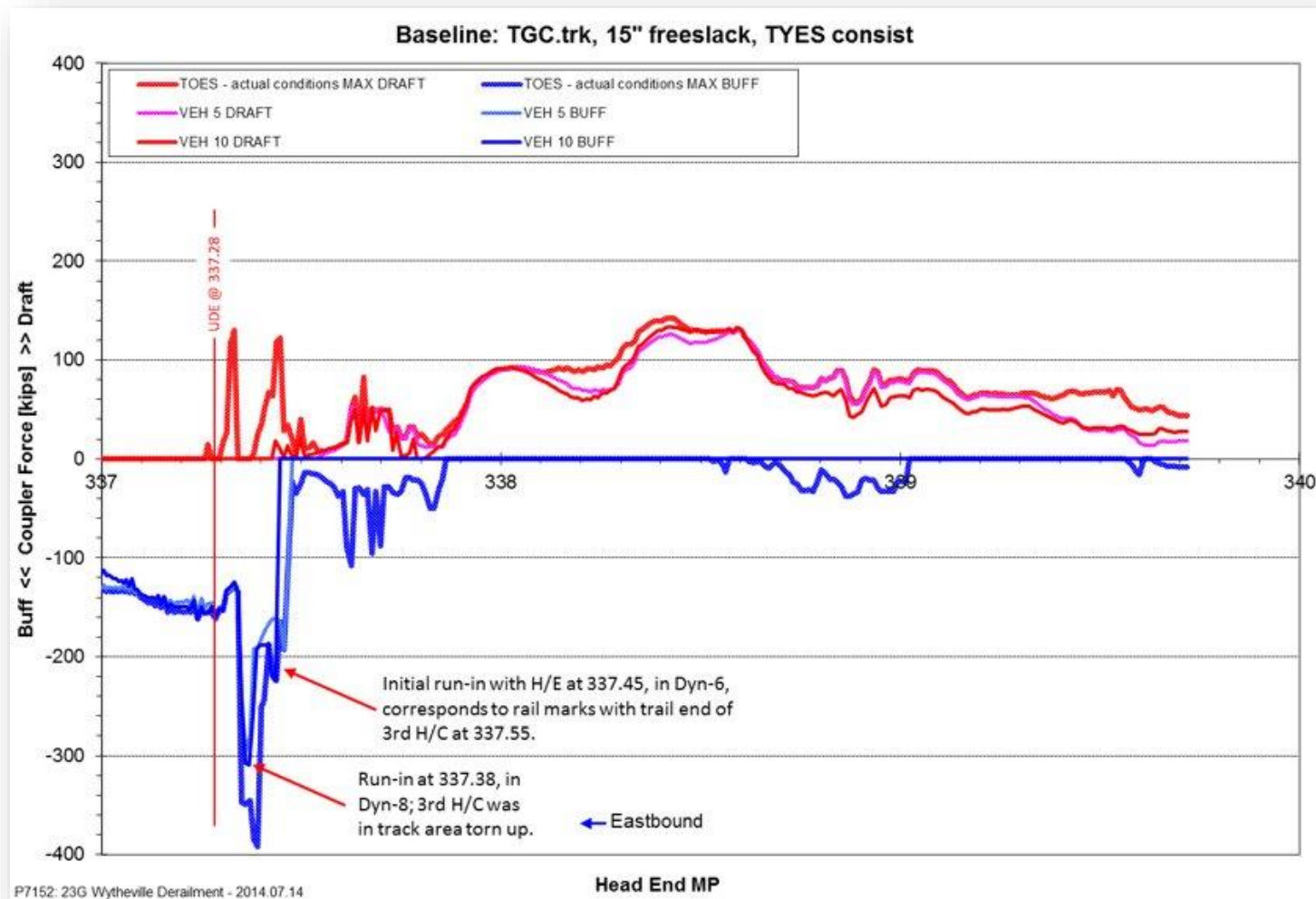
Simulations

Train Dynamics, Vehicle Dynamics





TOES™ Simulation Results





Summary

- Collect, assess, and analyze the evidence, measurements, and data
 - Do you have the right data, and is it complete?
 - What is the data telling you?
- Understand and apply the physics
 - L/V ratio, Nadal limit, rolling radius differential, etc.
- Run the simulations as needed
 - TOES™, NUCARS®
- Develop and report the cause statement

Thank You!

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