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# **C5-09 Stope Complex Void Backfilling Bidder Meeting and Tour**



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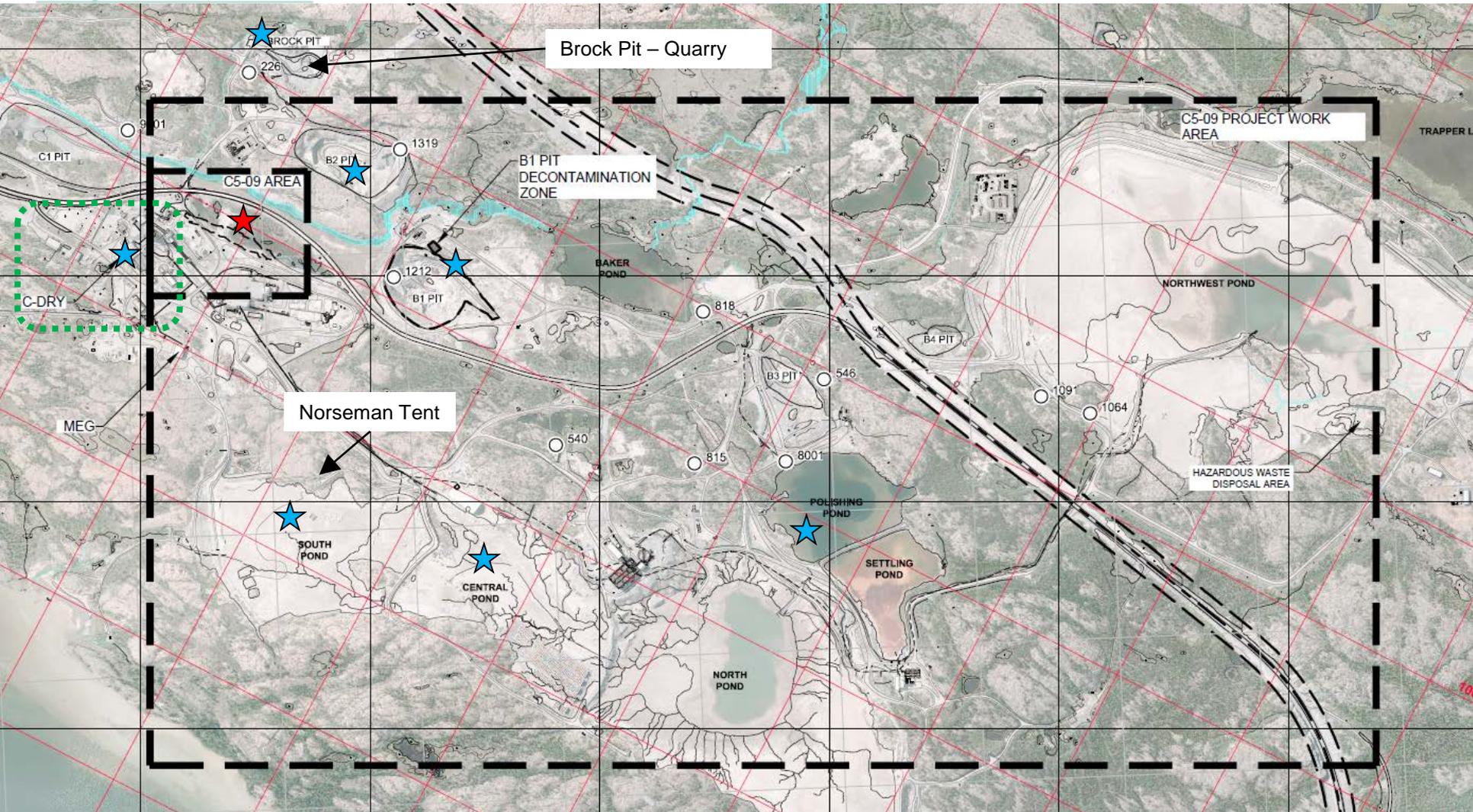


## C509 Stope Complex

- C5-09 Stope Complex is a series of old mined stopes – extend ~320 m in strike length, located directly adjacent to arsenic filled stopes and chambers.
- The complex was mined using a mix of long hole, shrink and cut and fill stoping methods.
- Complex was previously filled with run of mine muck. Some of this muck moved deeper into the mine in 2007 resulting in a void greater than 53,000 m<sup>3</sup>.
- Design to backfilling the void with a self-supporting fill to mitigate future instabilities.



# SITE MAP



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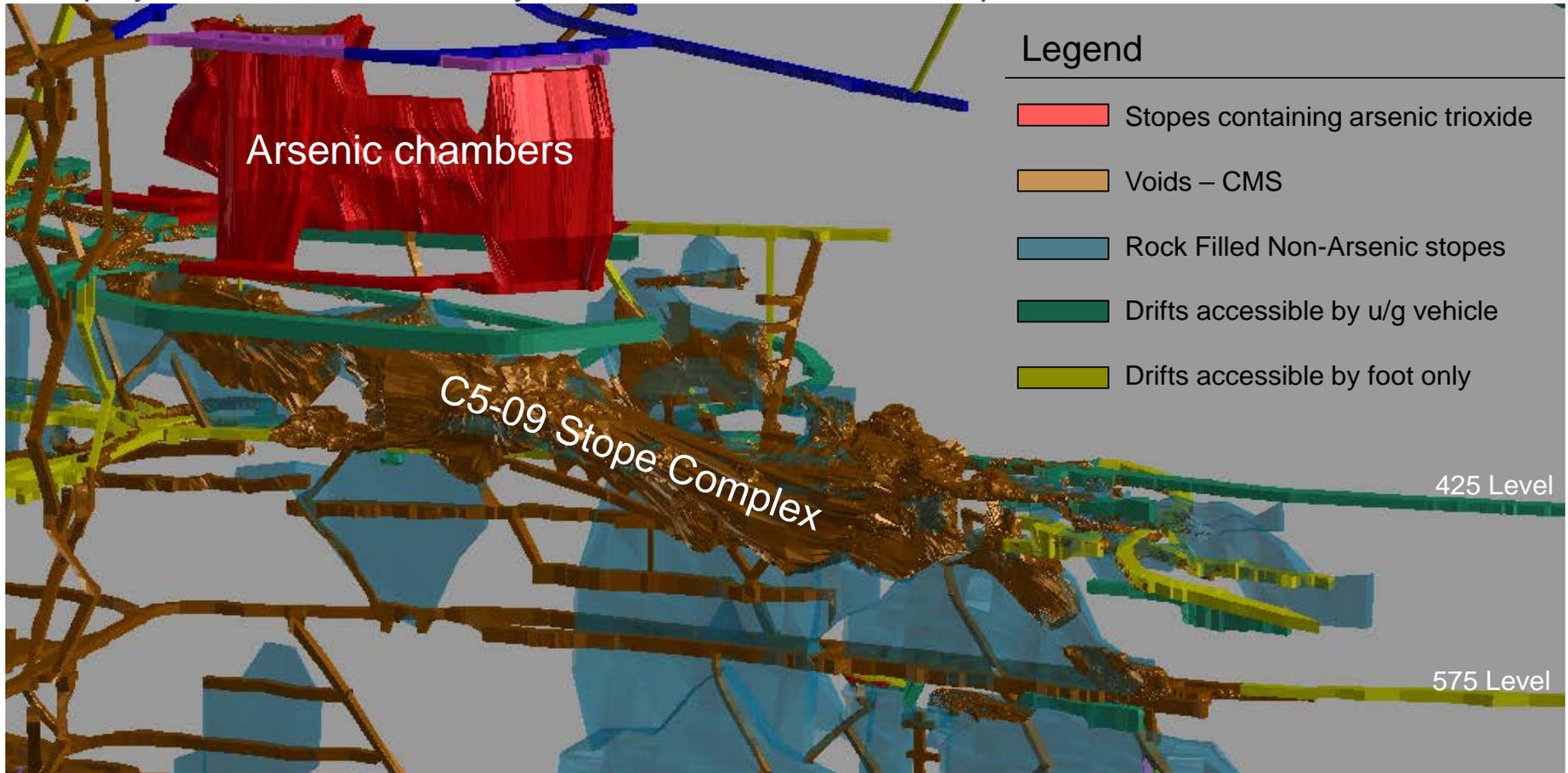
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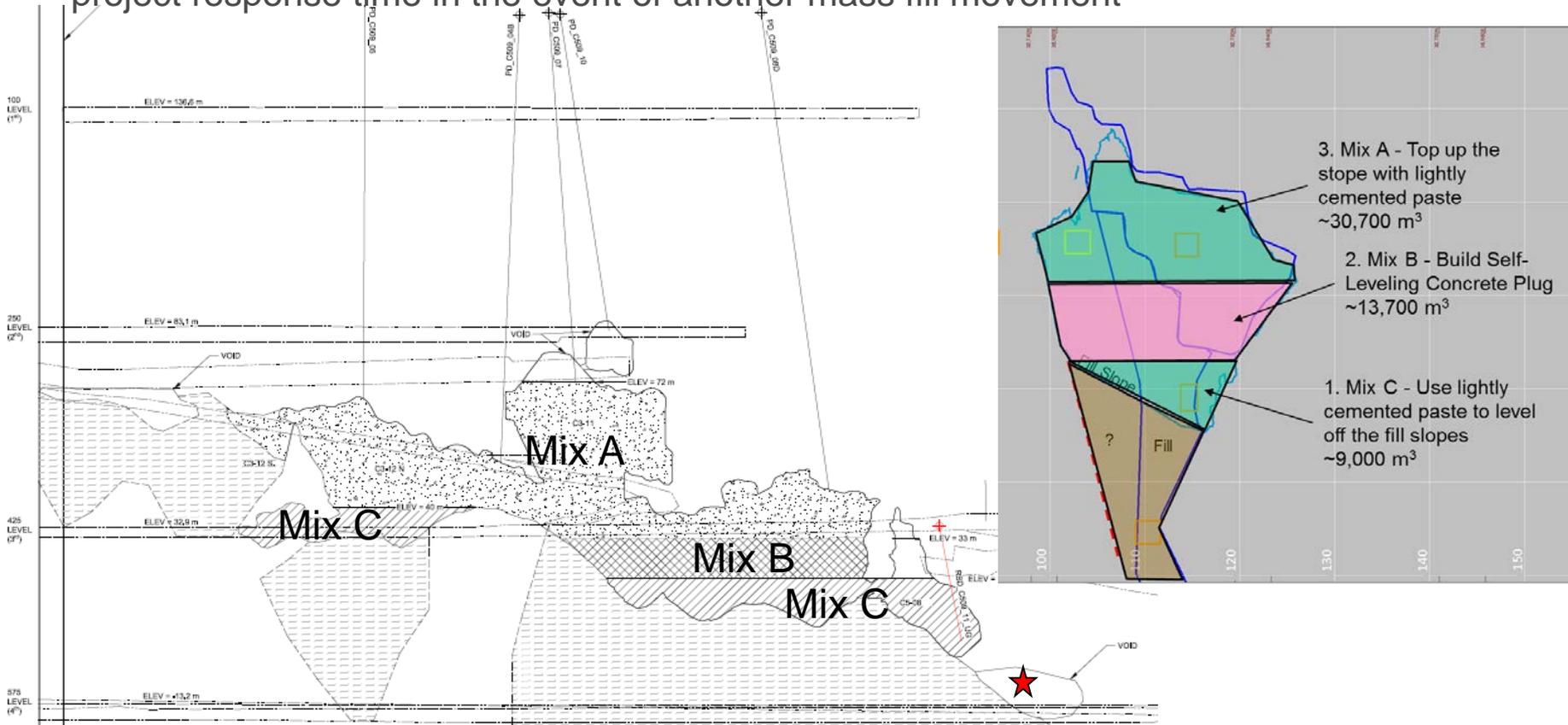
# C5-09 Stope Complex

- Proximity of C5-09 Stope Complex to the Arsenic Stopes and Chambers increase risk to project in event of instability in the C5-09 crown and rib pillars.



# C5-09 Stope Complex – Backfill

- Remediation is to backfill C5-09 Stope with paste and self-leveling concrete.
- Self-Leveling Concrete is designed to be a self-supporting fill, which will increase the project response time in the event of another mass fill movement





# Paste – Mix A and C

## Definition for C5-09 Stope Backfill

- A non-segregating construction material comprised of GMRP processed tailings, water, binder and other constituent additives.

## Design Criteria

- Fill C5-09 void from current elevation to  $z=23$  m (Mix C), and above  $z = 33$  m (Mix A).
- Strength  $\geq 100$  kPa
- Maintain slump of  $< 10.5$ " ( $< 9$ " for Mix C)
- Be contained within the C5-09 stope complex by use of fill fences/barricades etc.
- Mix C - Low Slump Paste Fill to minimize leakage/erosion of existing rock fill in the C5-09 Void

## Placement Methodology

- Sequence and volume through boreholes,
- Method of delivery (tremie into void, or use slicklines in u/g drift into void)
- Placement monitoring methods (leaks and elevation gain)





# Self – Leveling Concrete – Mix B

## Definition for C5-09 Stope Backfill

- A non-segregating, self-consolidating under own weight, flowable construction material comprised of a mixture of aggregate, water, binder and other constituent additives.

## Design Criteria

- Backfill C5-09 void with concrete between mine elevation  $z = 23$  m to  $z = 33$  m
- Reduce, to extent possible the formation of all cold joints (continuous monolithic pour)
- Maintain a slump flow of  $625 \pm 25$  mm
- Strength  $\geq 12$  MPa
- Design max temperature of plug  $< 70$  C
- Differential temperature  $< 20$  C

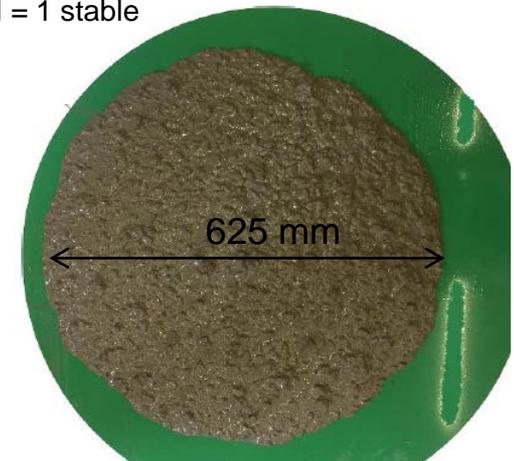
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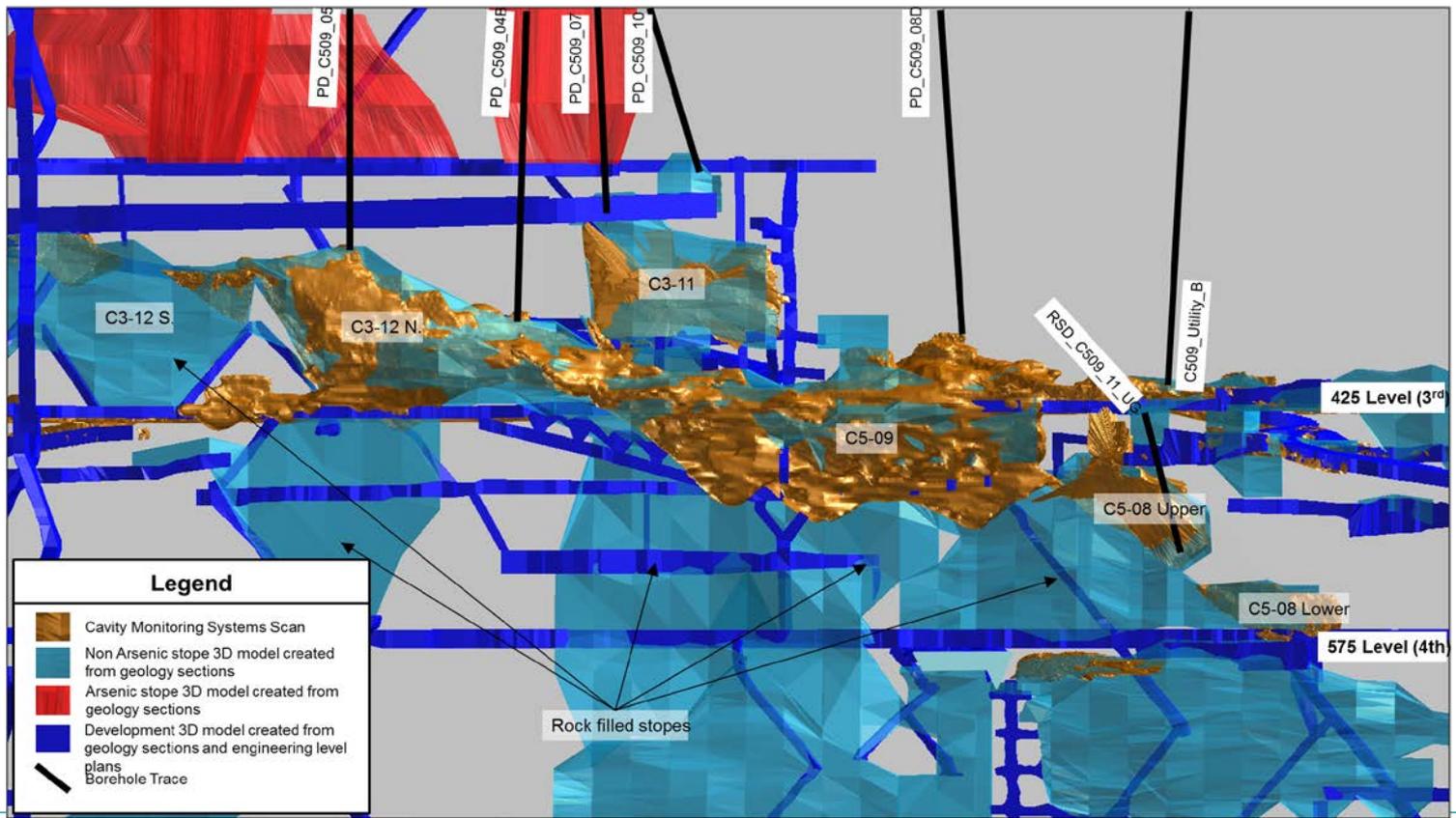
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# Boreholes - Existing

- Existing boreholes are cased with I.D. of 8" and enter the void at an angle
- C5-09 Utility B – 5.5" uncased borehole which enters an accessible drift.

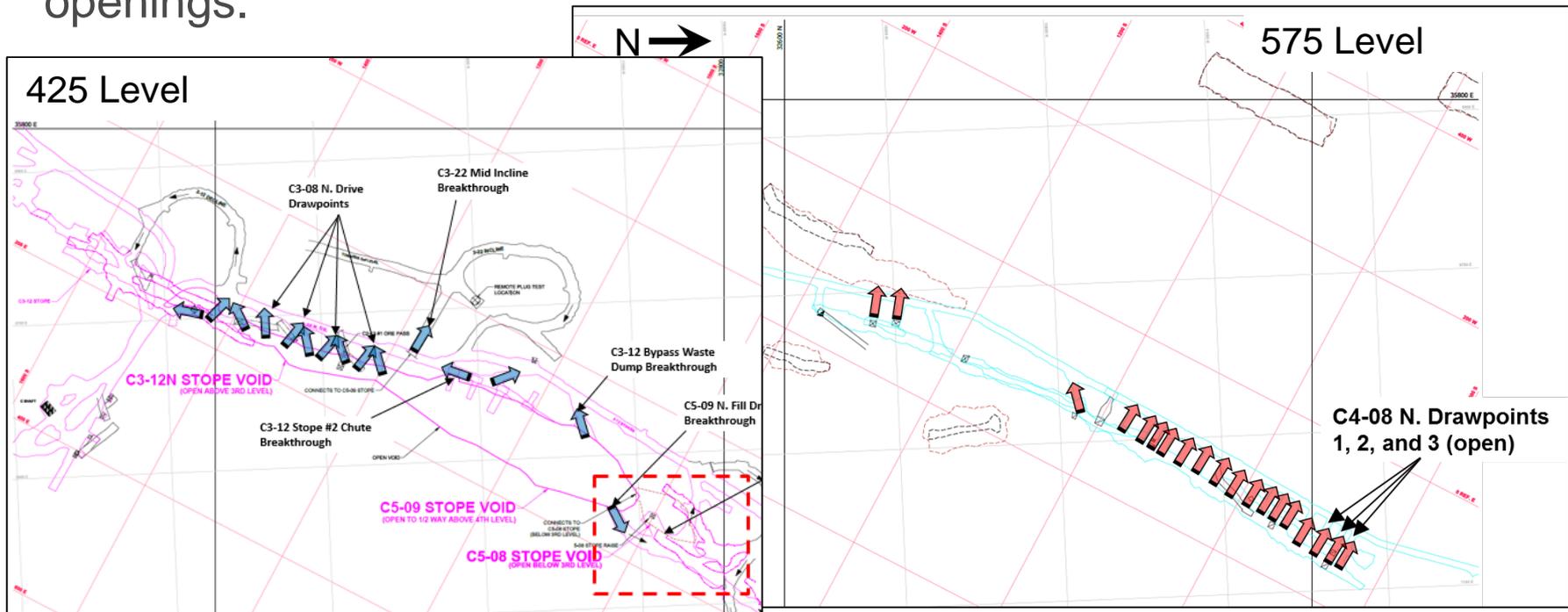


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# C5-09 Stope Complex – Leakage Points

- 15 known paste exit points exist on the 425 level that will require type of barricade to prevent paste from leaking onto the 425 Level
- 22 possible paste leakage points on the 575 and 750 levels require monitoring/blocking to prevent paste from entering critical mine openings.



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# Questions?