



MINI EXCAVATORS

IT DOESN'T TAKE MUCH TO TIP THEM OVER

When should they be used?

THIS MINI EXCAVATOR TIPS OVER CRUSHING OPERATORS FOOT:

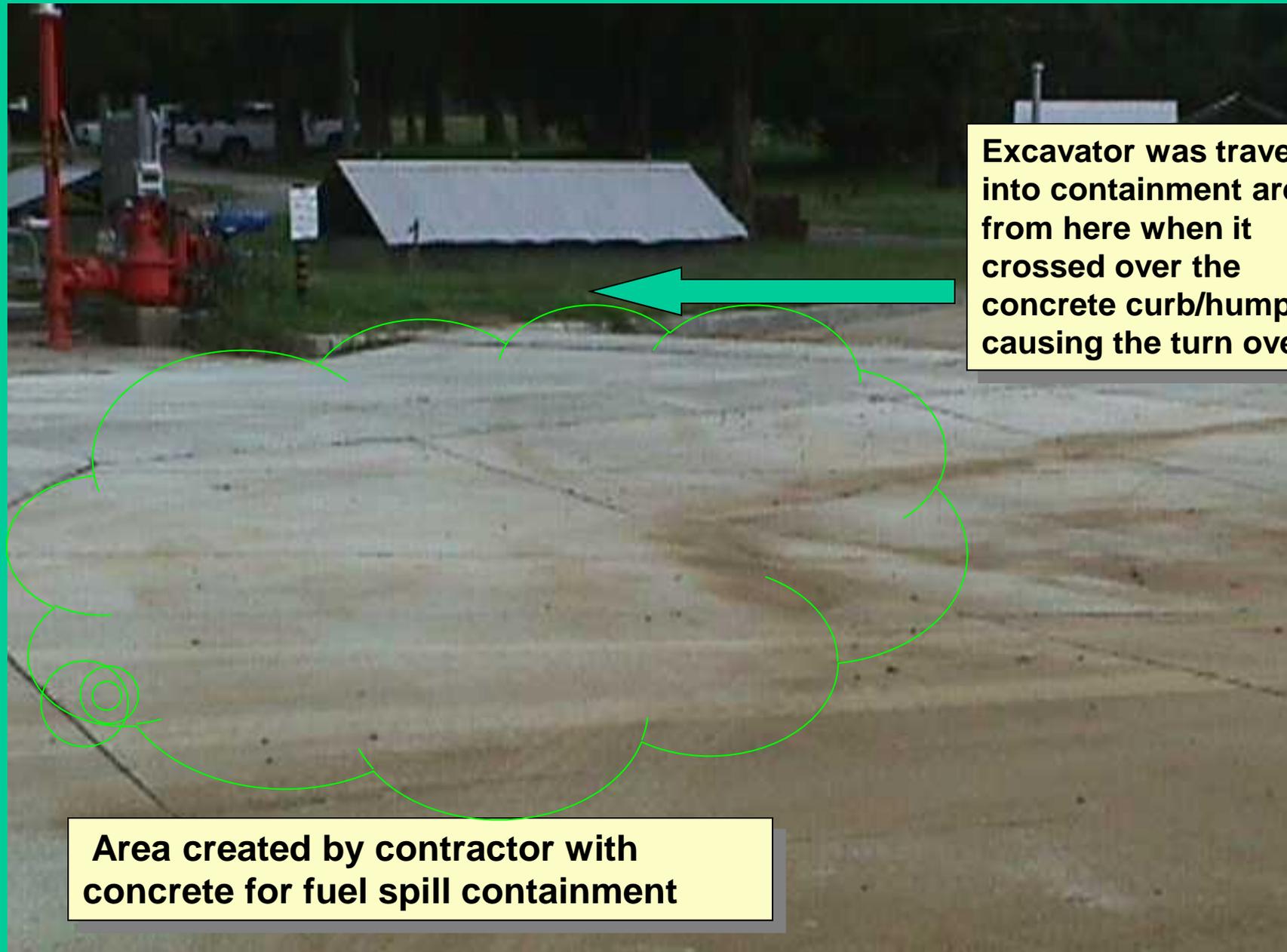
LESSON: Contractor must select the right equipment for the job....by planning the work ahead of time. A full size back hoe would have been the best equipment for the job.

Hurricane preparation/erosion control caused haste in decision making to utilize smaller equipment on hand at the time.

Mini Excavators are special use equipment for use in close/ tight positions on firm **level** ground. Tip over was caused by travel on uneven surface around contractor installed concrete dike system in fuel area.

Rental company/equipment operating instructions must be reviewed by operator before use. Even experienced equipment operators are at risk because of their unfamiliarity with these smaller machines that have more limited capability. They appear to be machines that can be operated by anyone like a lawnmower. Guess what.... They are extremely dangerous.





Excavator was traveling into containment area from here when it crossed over the concrete curb/hump causing the turn over.

Area created by contractor with concrete for fuel spill containment



Excavator rubber track marks on concrete hump.



Location suspected where front grading blade dug into concrete.