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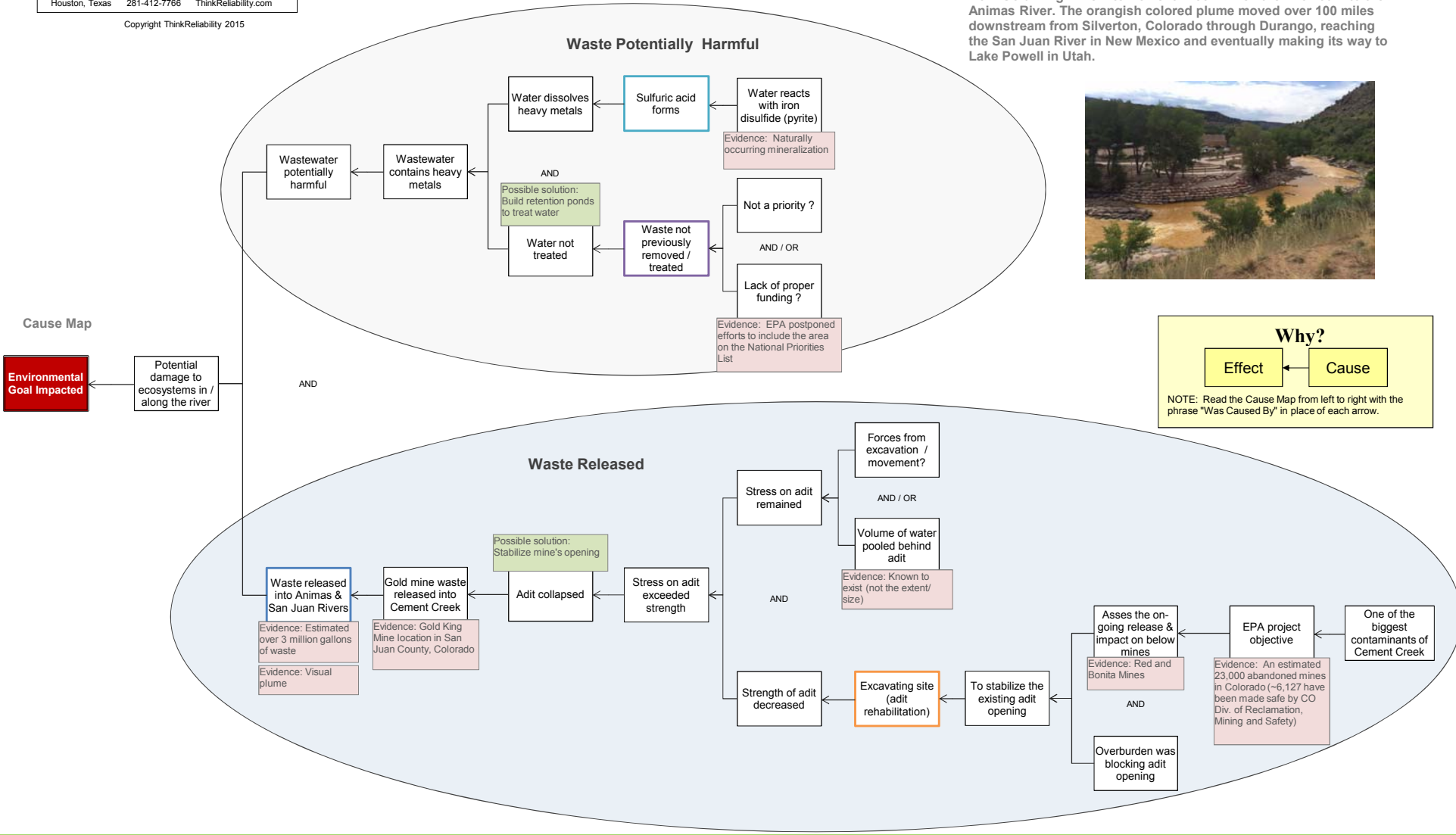
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# WASTE RELEASED FROM GOLD KING MINE

Cause Map

On August 5, 2015 over 3 million gallons of waste were released from Gold King Mine into Cement Creek which then flowed into the Animas River. The orangish colored plume moved over 100 miles downstream from Silverton, Colorado through Durango, reaching the San Juan River in New Mexico and eventually making its way to Lake Powell in Utah.



**Why?**

Effect ← Cause

NOTE: Read the Cause Map from left to right with the phrase "Was Caused By" in place of each arrow.

Cause Map