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Massive Louisiana sinkhole just keeps on growing A sinkhole that was triggered in August by salt mining for the oil and gas sector has grown to ...

In 1980, a drilling rig punched into a mine under Lake Peigneur, about 7 miles (11 kilometers) northwest of Avery Island, flooding the mine. The 50 men in the mine and seven ...

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Have you ever heard of Louisiana's Vanished Lake? This mysterious body of water, known as Lake Peigneur, disappeared in a single day back in 1980. Imagine a lake ...

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How do you turn a ten-foot deep freshwater lake into a saltwater one over a thousand feet deep? The residents of Lake Peigneur in Louisiana found out on 20 November ...

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Drilling disaster The backwards flow of the normally outflowing Delcambre Canal temporarily created the biggest waterfall in Louisiana. On November 20, 1980, an oil rig contracted by ...

Texaco had accidentally drilled into one of those shafts. Water dissolves salt, explaining the formation of the massive crater as water poured from the lake into the mine. Fortunately, the ...

The Lake Peigneur drilling disaster is unbelievable! That catastrophic man-made event drained an entire lake,



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swallowed up eleven barges, many trees and 65 acres (260,000 m²) of land into a salt mine shaft, creating the biggest waterfall of Louisiana. The Lake Peigneur ...

JEFFERSON ISLAND, La. -- Officials today said an oil drilling operation may not have been responsible for the hole in a south Louisiana lake bottom that emptied the lake into ...

On the morning of November 21 1980, a TEXACO Oil Rig team was drilling and noticed that their drill had seized up. The following video shows what 1 mistake can cost an entire project and more. You ...

On the morning of November 20, 1980, the crew of the oil rig was probing the lake bed when they ran into a small problem--their 14-inch drill bit ...

Discover the incredible true story of Lake Peigneur, where a drilling accident caused the lake to drain--and swallow a rig, barges, and trees.

This is a really cool and interesting story. A vortex was created by drilling near a salt mine 30 years ago in Iberia Parish, Louisiana. The results in that story of drilling near a ...

40 years ago, a catastrophe like no other occurred in Acadiana. The largest manmade whirlpool and tallest waterfall in the state were created when an oil drill and salt ...

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At that time, Diamond Crystal Salt Company operated the Jefferson Island salt mine under the lake, while a Texaco oil rig was drilling down from the surface of the lake searching for ...

A Morton Salt mine rescue vehicle leaves Avery Island following a roof collapse at the Cargill salt mine Monday, December 14, 2020, in Iberia ...

At the same time the oil workers were watching their \$5 million drilling rig disappear into the lake, workers in the salt mines below the lake noticed something was wrong as well; a ...

In 1980 Texaco was doing exploratory drilling for oil in Lake Peigneur, a shallow man-made lake near New Iberia, LA. Although many of ...

This is a History Channel documentary of Lake Peigneur in Louisiana in 1980 after an oil rig drilled into a salt mining dome...Gulf of Mexico - BP - Oil spil...

Geologists and the Army Corps of Engineers were trying to determine what caused the hole in Lake Peigneur, causing it to drain into the mine Thursday. No one was injured but ...



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Within three hours, 3.5 billion gallons of lake water drained into the mine, leaving behind a gaping crater. The collapse was so forceful that it reversed the flow of the Delcambre Canal,...

This Sinkhole Sucked Down 11 Barges Like They Were Rubber Duckies A 1980 drilling accident caused one of the worst industrial accidents ...

One worker saw incoming water and called an emergency evacuation. All fifty employees evacuated the mine to safety because of well-rehearsed planning and drills. How ...

The Jefferson Island Mine, owned and operated by the Diamond Crystal Salt Co., was flooded in 1980 due to a drilling accident by Texaco that swallowed the rig and closed the ...

Workers on an oil drilling rig in Lake Peigneur, Louisiana, felt the earth tremble beneath their feet. A bizarre disaster was unfolding--a disaster that seemed impossible in its ...

November 20, 1980, was a calm day at Louisiana 's Lake Peigneur, located about nine miles north of Vermilion Bay in the Gulf of Mexico, until a Texaco oil drill bit struck a large salt dome beneath the water, causing a cataclysmic disaster. Within three hours, a giant ...

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