



Berkeley pit toxic waters

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Fig. 1 - Sentinel-2 [26.10.2017] - 11,8,2 colour composite - Berkeley pit is a former mine in Montana, NW of the USA.

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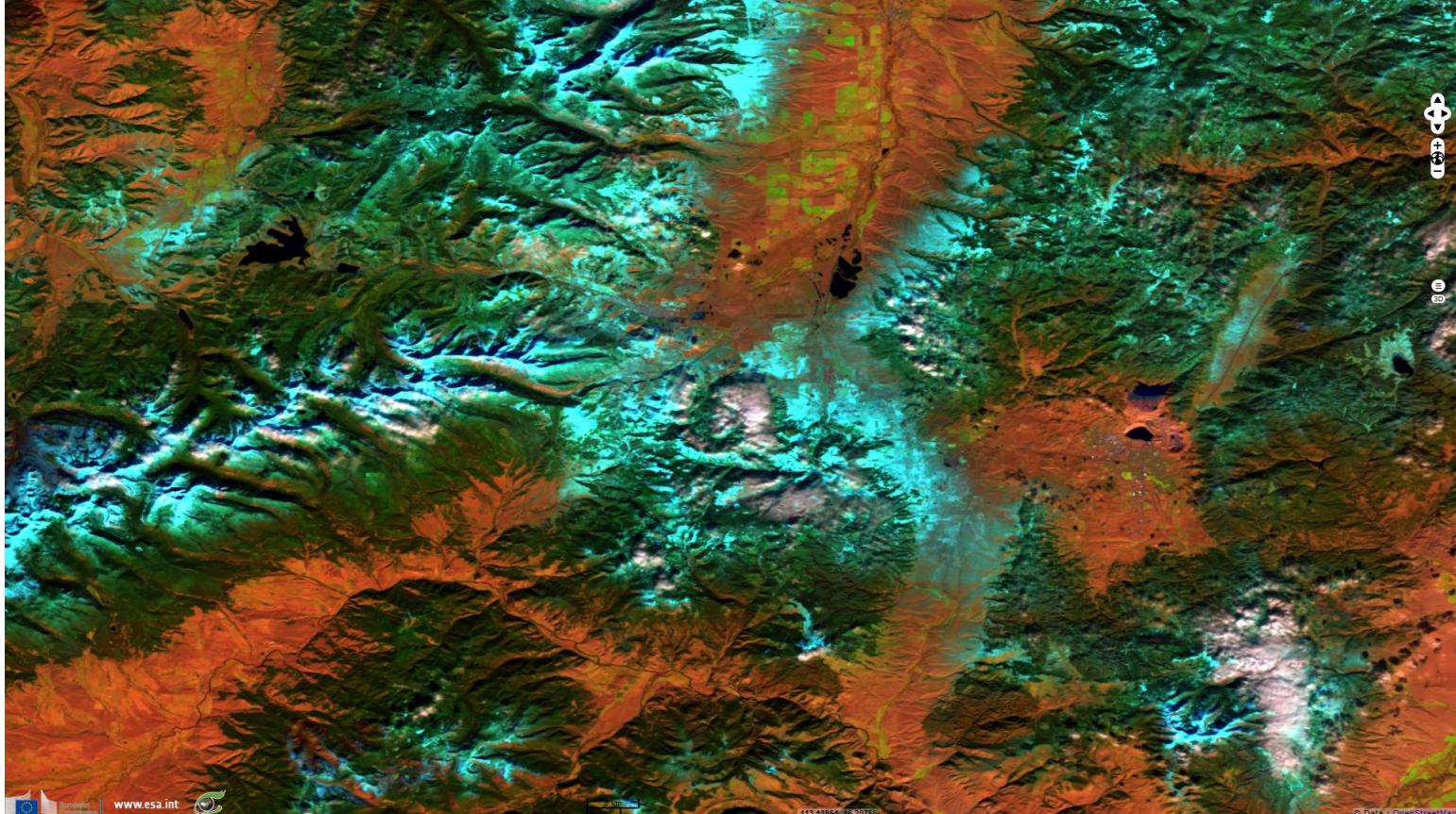
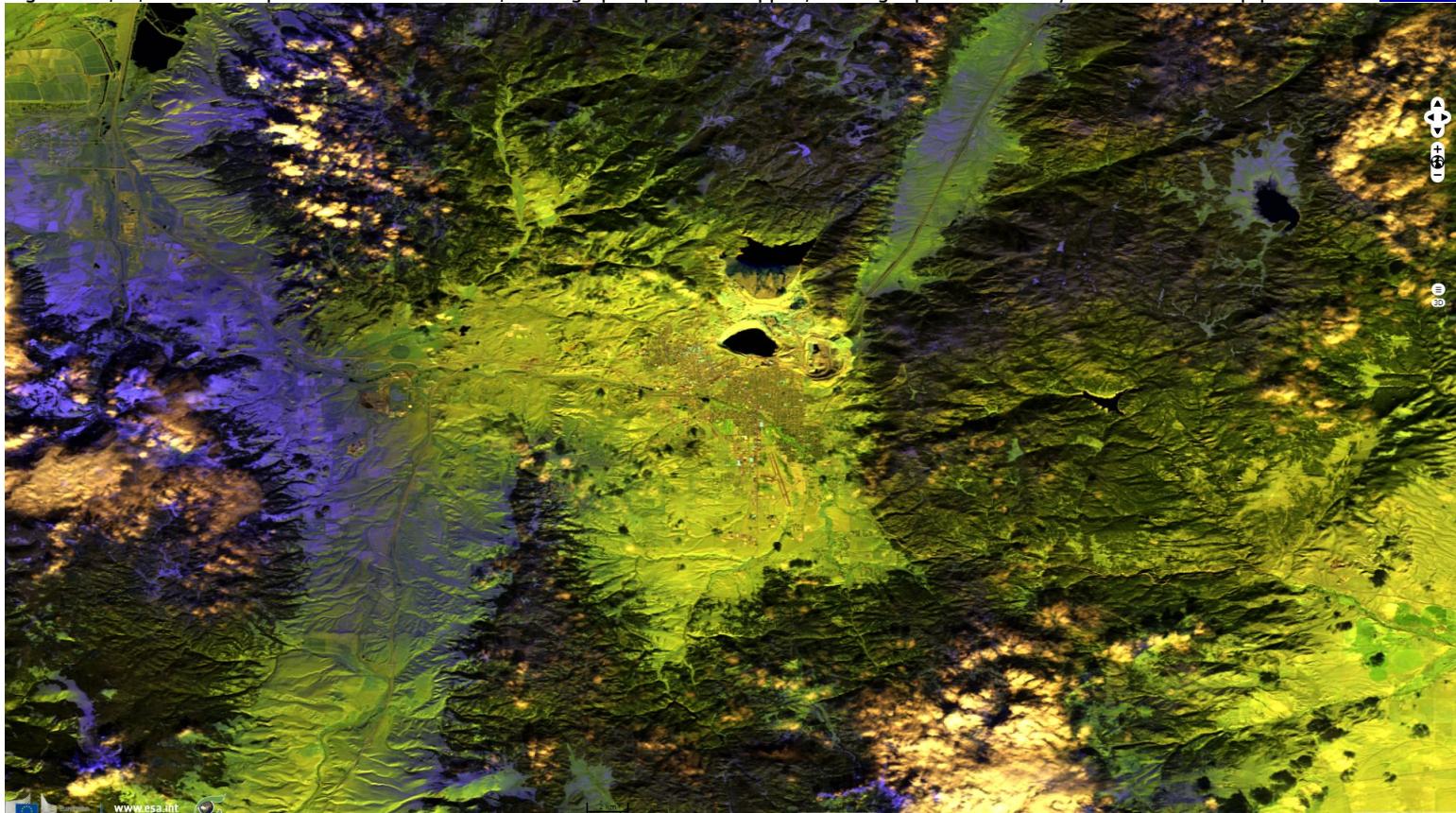


Fig. 2 - 12,11,4 colour composite - After its closure, drainage pumps were stopped, causing aquifers to slowly fill the 550m deep pit.

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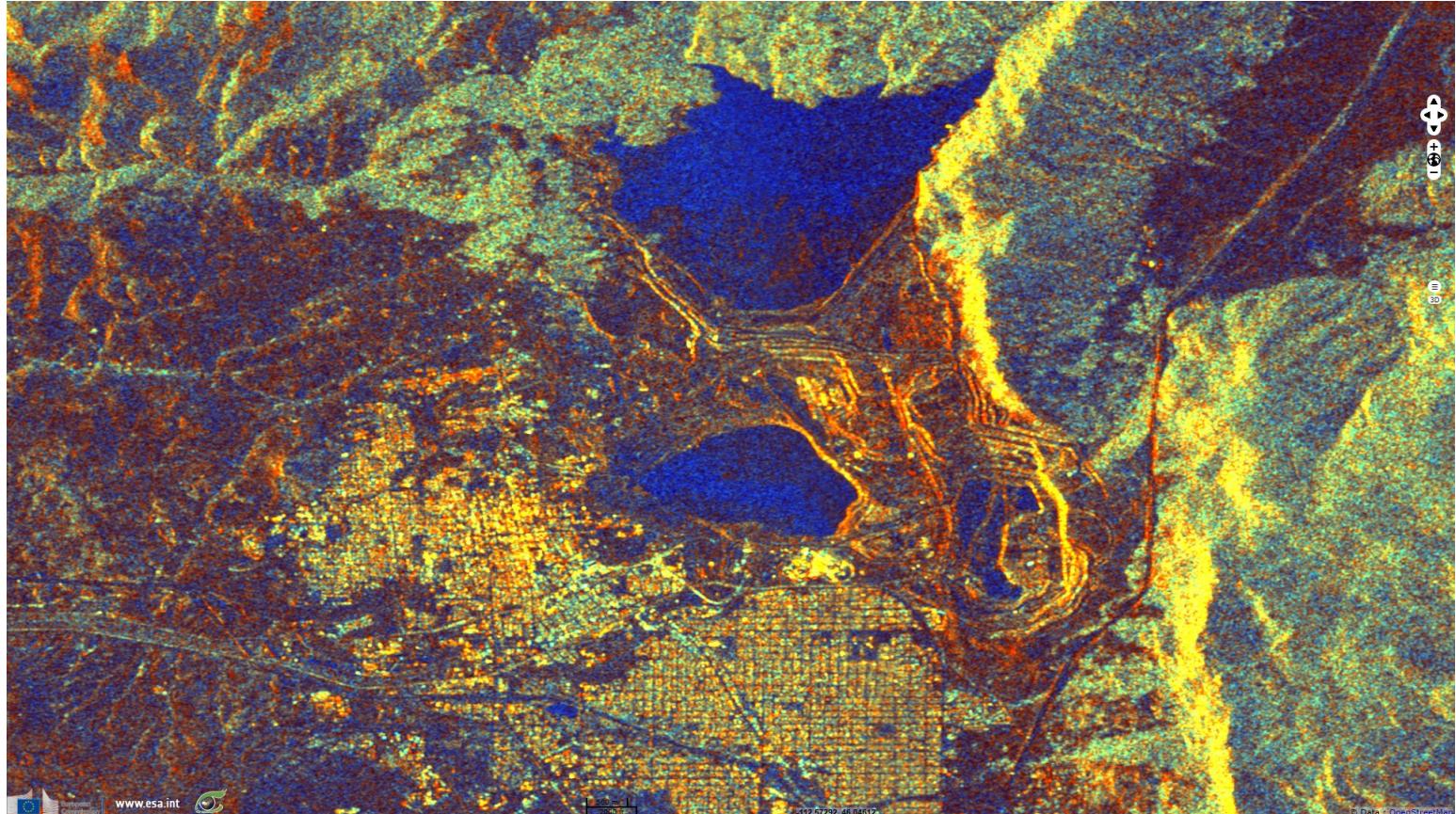
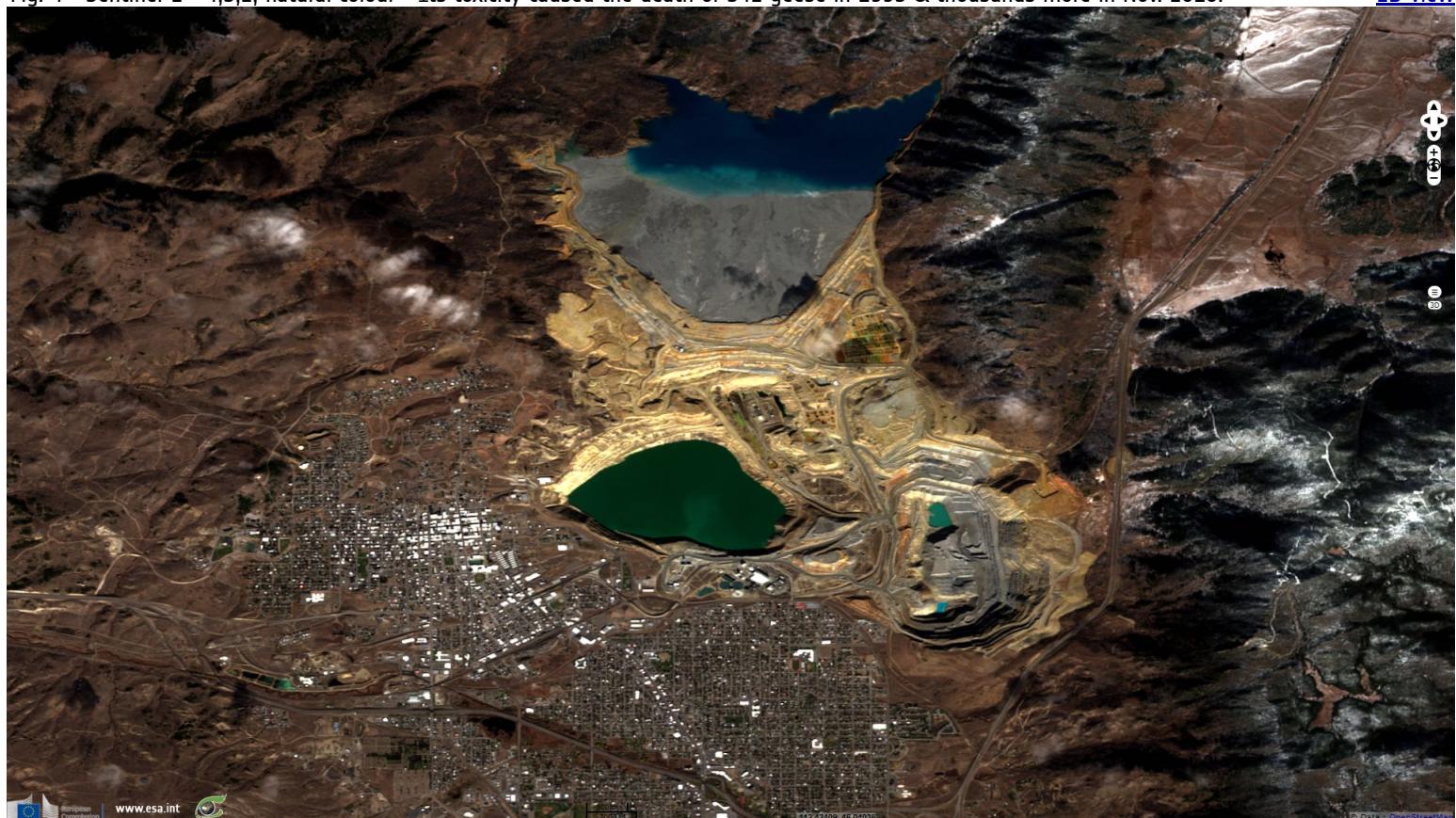


Fig. 4 - Sentinel-2 - 4,3,2, natural colour - Its toxicity caused the death of 342 geese in 1995 & thousands more in Nov. 2016.

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