

Public Involvement

Former Defense Supply Center Philadelphia (DSCP) Site



Teleconference

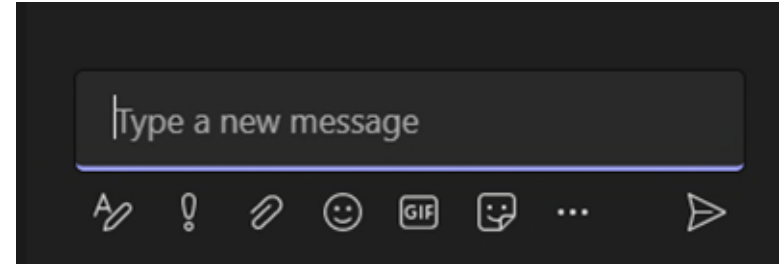
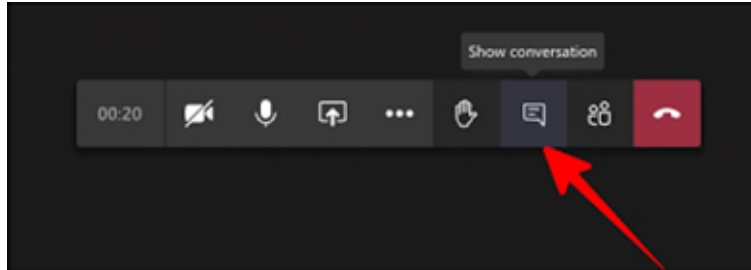
Date: March 14, 2022 Time: 6:30-8:00 PM

Purpose of this Teleconference

- Continue engagement with the public
- Assist the public with review of the Remedial Investigation Report and Cleanup Plan (RIR/CP)
- Close out 90-day public comment period
- Present a summary of clean-up activities completed to date
- Provide a forum for the public to ask questions

How to Ask Questions

- This teleconference is being hosted on Microsoft Teams.



- To ask a question, open the meeting chat window by clicking the “Show conversation” button
- Enter question in the chat window that pops up where it says “type new message”, then click the arrow on the right to submit your question
- We will conduct our presentations first, but feel free to submit questions as we go. We will answer them at the end of the presentations.

Q&A session will be held at the end of our presentations.

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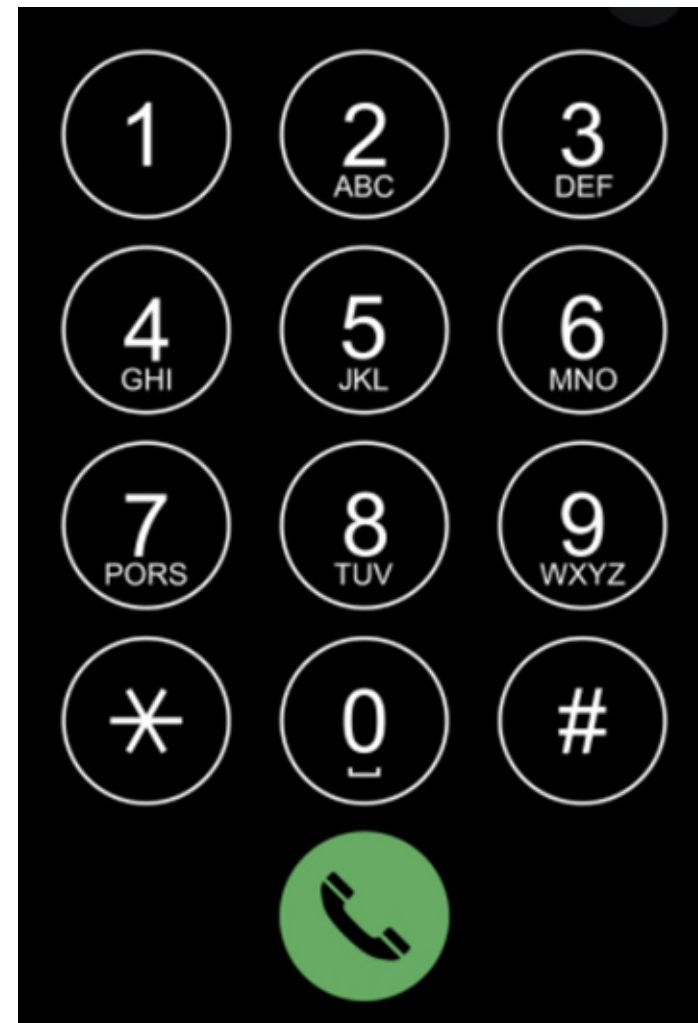
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Project Team Introduction



Project team members in Attendance:

Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)

- Bradley Clawson
- Stephen Porch

United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

- Sterling Johnson
- Steve Langseder
- Vincent Grassi

Seres Arcadis Joint Venture (JV)

- Matt Lesley
- Meredith Braverman
- Carlo Di Tullio
- Jessica Travis

Montrose (PARS) Environmental Group

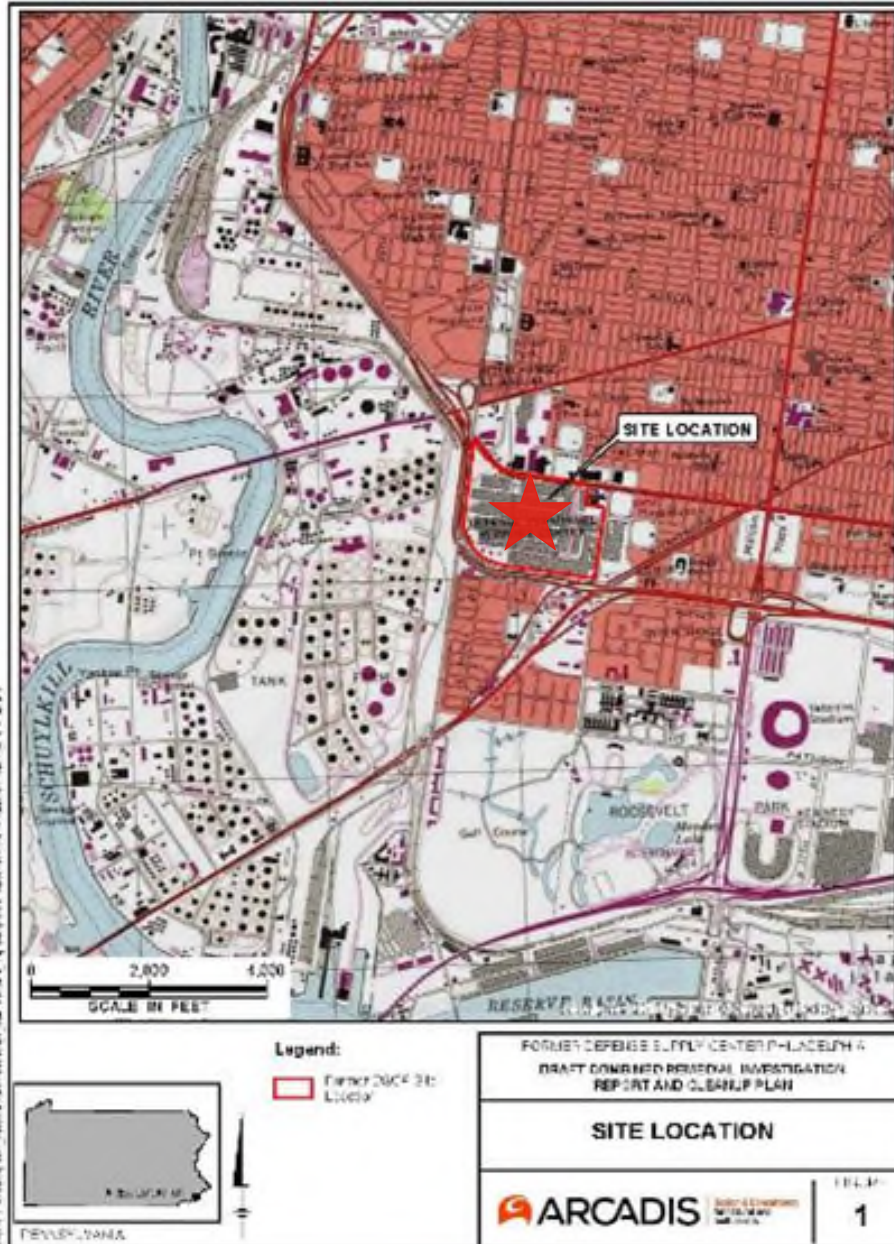
- Eric White

Agenda

- Presentation (approximately 1 hour)
 - Introduction
 - Location, Objectives, History of Public Involvement, Act 2 Process
 - Background, regulatory history, selection of standards, site characterization
 - Conceptual Site Model: Hydrogeology & Environmental Impacts
 - Cleanup Plan, Site Remedial Actions, Engineering Controls
 - Summary of Presentation
- Q&A Session (Approximately 45 minutes)

Q&A session will be held at the end of our presentations.

Location and Background



- Historic military supply depot on the National Register of Historic Places
- Philadelphia Quartermaster Depot was constructed during World War I to expand the Schuylkill Arsenal
- Expanded to current footprint during World War II

Location and Background



- Textile manufacturing for the military, such as uniforms, shoes, coats, blankets, sleeping bags, etc.
- Expanded during World War II
 - Employed 15,000 people between 1941 through 1945 at its peak
 - Maintained a work force of around 5,000 people after the end of WWII until closure in 1993
- Closed under Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) in 1993 at which point environmental Investigation commenced

Objectives for Public Involvement

- Public Involvement Plan – March 2021
- Continue engagement with our community stakeholders, which includes:
 - Residents and neighbors
 - Interested or involved agencies, property owners
 - Local businesses and environmental organizations
 - Your representatives in the City of Philadelphia
- Enable a two-way communication between stakeholders and the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA)
- Provide an update to stakeholders about past, ongoing and planned site environmental clean-up efforts

Where to find the report

The full Remedial Investigation Report and Cleanup Plan is available for review at the following website:

<https://www.dla.mil/HQ/InstallationManagement/DoingBusinessWithInstallationManagement/EnvironmentalDocuments/>

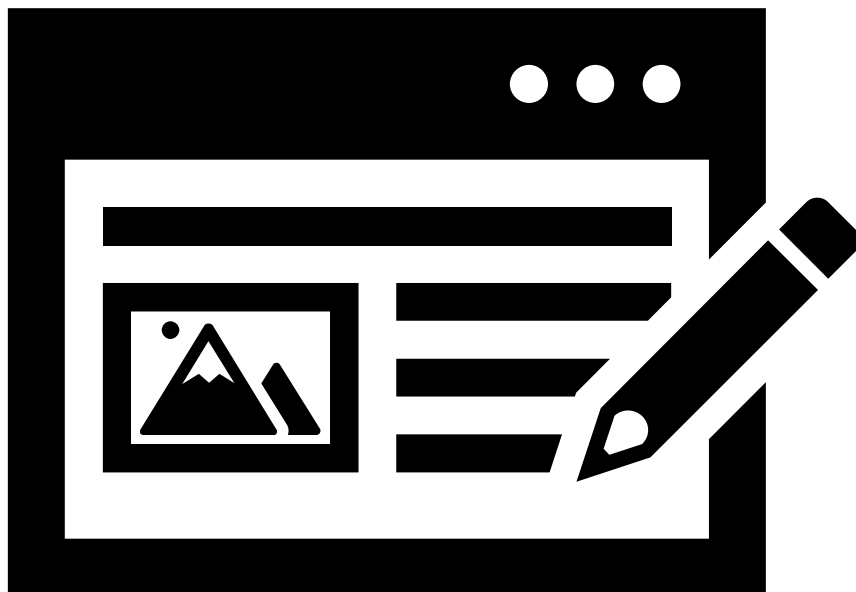
History of Public Involvement



- Restoration and Advisory Board (RAB) – 1996 – 2011
- 2004 Public Involvement Plan (PIP) created
- Regular meetings stopped when clean-up was implemented
- Community Involvement Evolution: Post RAB, interested stakeholders and property owners impacted by clean-up efforts received quarterly progress reports
- 2021 Updated PIP
- December 15, 2021 Virtual Public Meeting

Quarterly Progress Reports available at the PADEP Office

Recap of December 2021 Public Meeting



Review of Act 2 process
Discussed elements of RIR/CP
Reviewed regulatory history
Discussed impacted media
Reviewed Site Conceptual Model
Introduced Remedial Goals
Identified Site Boundary
Overview of cleanup timeline
Reviewed cleanup alternatives

No public comments received to date

Act 2 Process

Notice of Intent to Remediate

Selects Act 2 Standard

Site-specific standard pathway elimination approach selected

Public Notice & Comments Period

Remedial Investigation Report / Cleanup Plan

Site Characterization

Includes Human Health Risk Assessment

Includes Cleanup Plan

Summary of clean-up activities

Description of engineering & institutional controls

Public Notice & Comments Period

Final Report

Summarize All Act 2 Activities and Post Remedial Care

Demonstration of Attainment

Institutional Controls

Public Notice & Comments Period

Regulatory History

- 1996 Administrative Order (AO)
 - Remedial actions commenced for petroleum hydrocarbon Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (LNAPL)
 - Interim Remedial Actions (IRA)
- 1999 AO
 - Remove LNAPL to maximum extent practicable
 - Act 2 - Remedial standards and path-to-closure
- Ongoing cleanup and site characterization
- Notice of Intent to Remediate – April 14, 2017
 - Site specific standard / pathway elimination
 - Strategy to stabilize residual LNAPL
- Remedial Investigation Report/Cleanup Plan (RIR/CP) Planned submittal date May 2022, after 90-day public comment period ends

What are we remediating at DSCP?

- Historic petroleum hydrocarbon contamination
- LNAPL = Light Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid
 - Less dense than water
 - Doesn't mix with water; remains a separate phase liquid, but adheres to soil
- LNAPL is a middle petroleum distillate
 - Density between gasoline and diesel
- **1,076,810 gallons recovered to date**

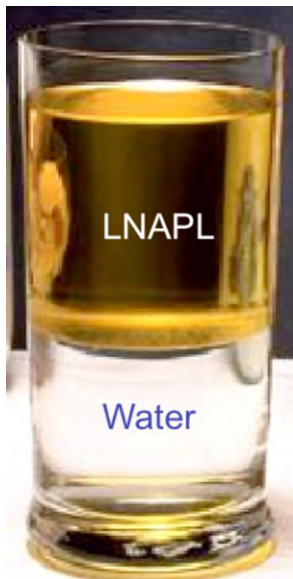


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Technology and Regulatory
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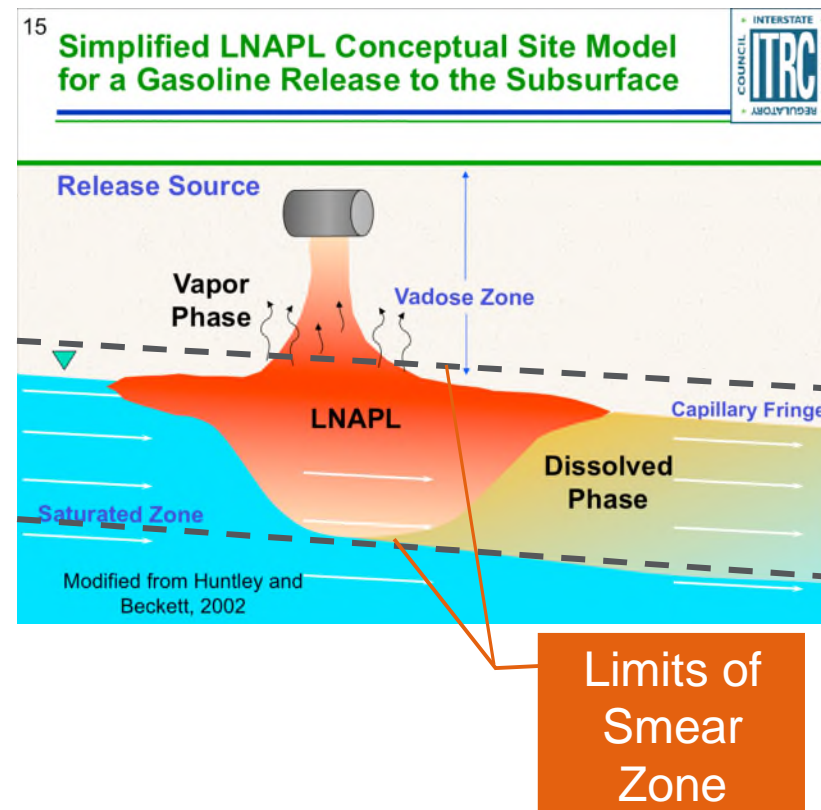
Image of LNAPL sample
from DSCP

This project is about clean-up of Site LNAPL and eliminating risk.

Potential exposure risks from the LNAPL at DSCP

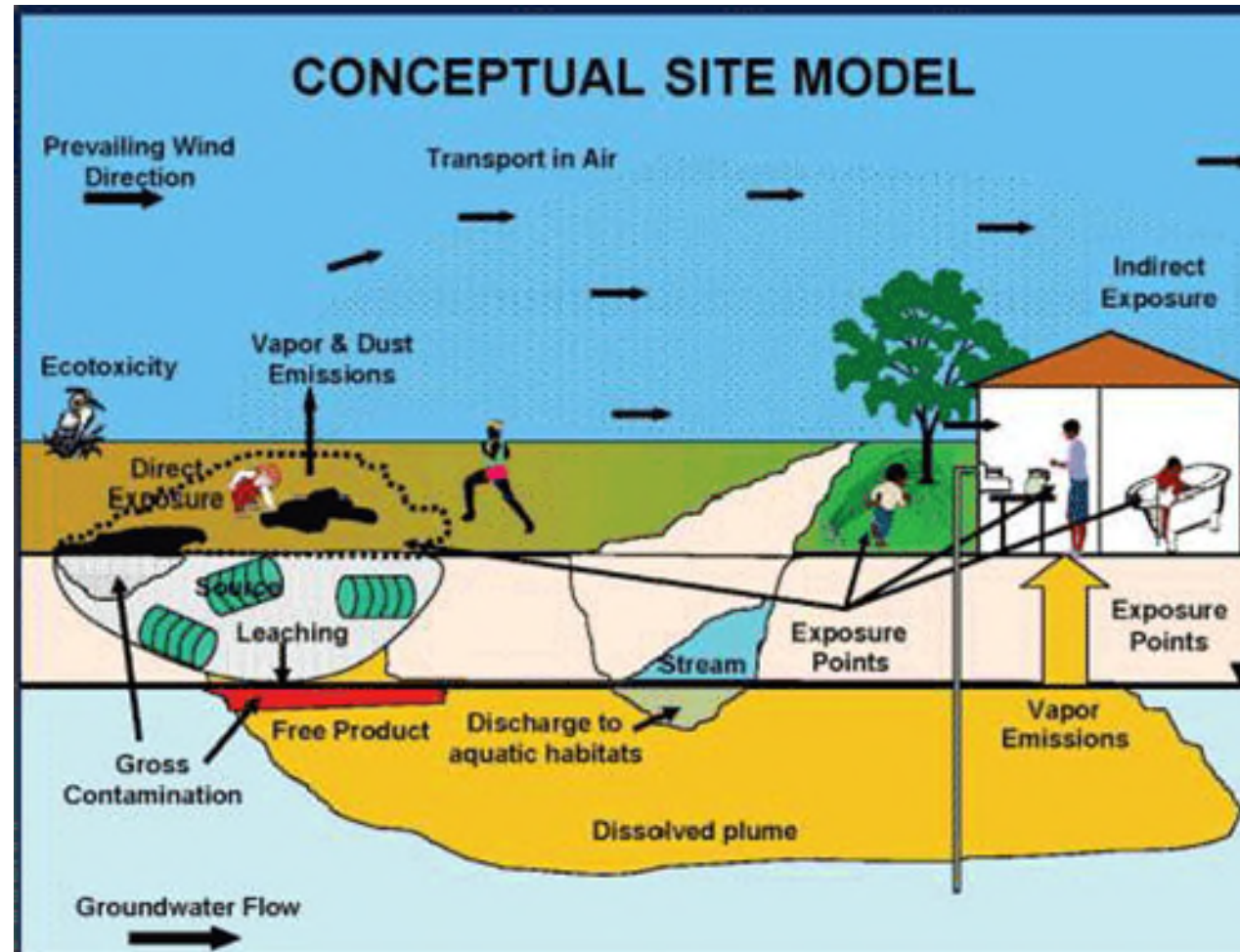
Constituent compounds from LNAPL in Site media:

- Dissolve into groundwater
 - Risk of exposure to impacted ground water
- Adhere to soil
 - Risk of absorption through the skin by direct contact for utility workers
- Volatilize into vapor
 - Potential for vapor intrusion into buildings posing an inhalation risk



Currently no known or anticipated impacts in project site.

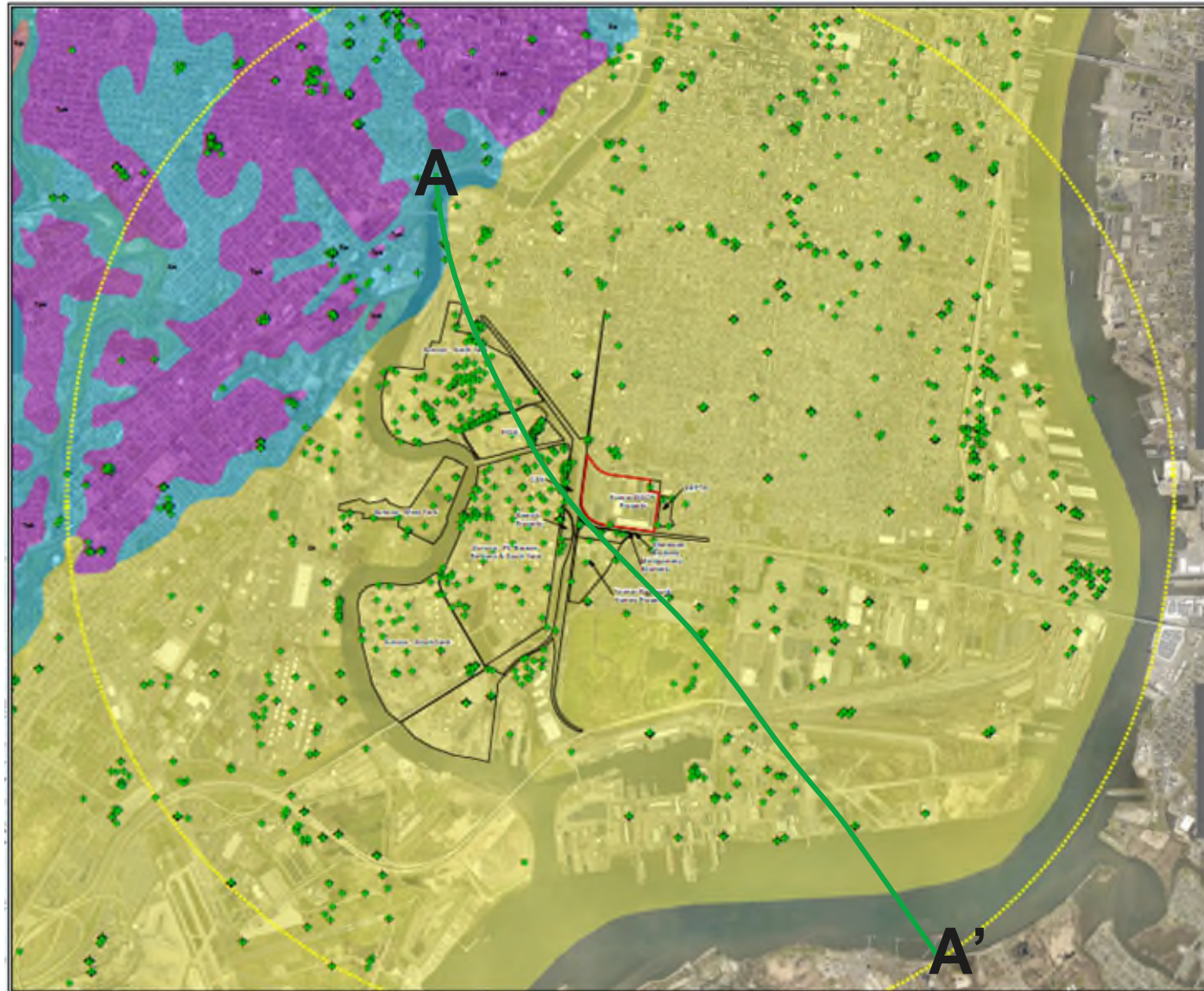
Media Description



Hawaii State Department of Health

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Regional Geology and Hydrogeology



Legend

- Former DSCP Property Boundary
- Surrounding Properties Boundary
- 3-Mile Radius of Site
- PAGWIS Indicated Well Location

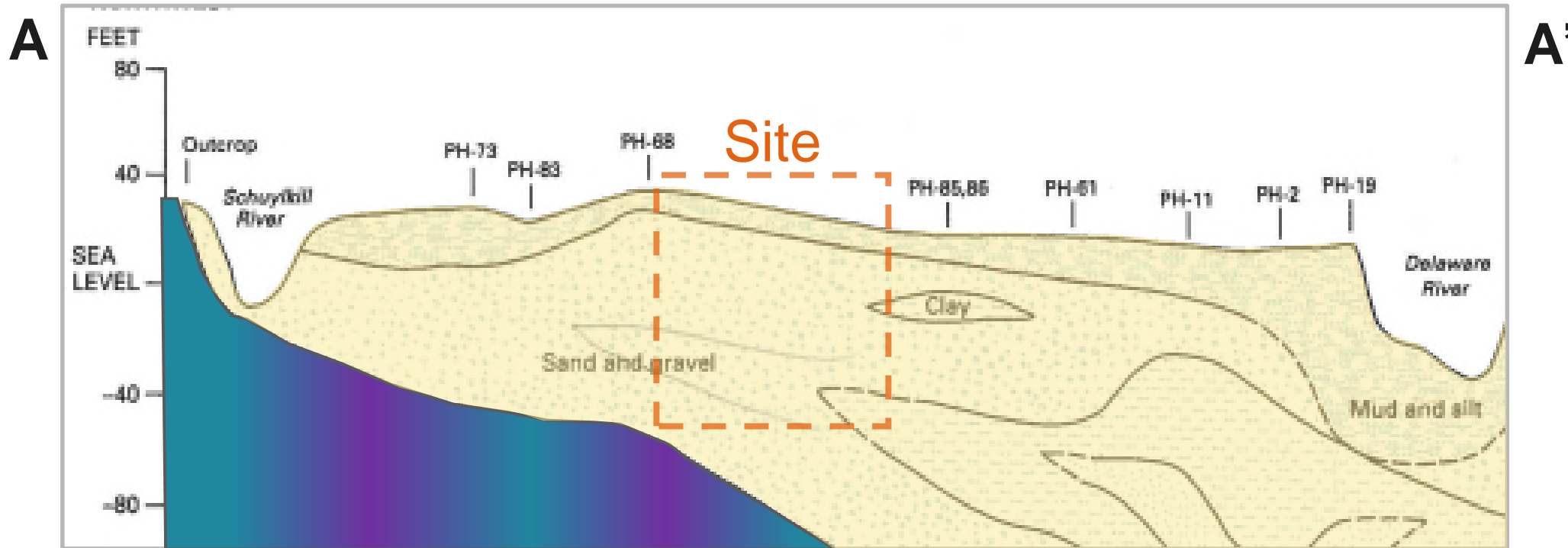
Geologic Unit

- Qt - Fill deposits, Holocene marsh/alluvial Deposits, and Trenton Gravel (Pleistocene) Formation
- Tpb - Pensauken and Bridgeton Formation, undifferentiated
- Xw - Wissahickon Formation
- Xgr - Granitic Gneiss and Granite Formation
- Xmgh - Mafic Gneiss, Hornblende-Bearing



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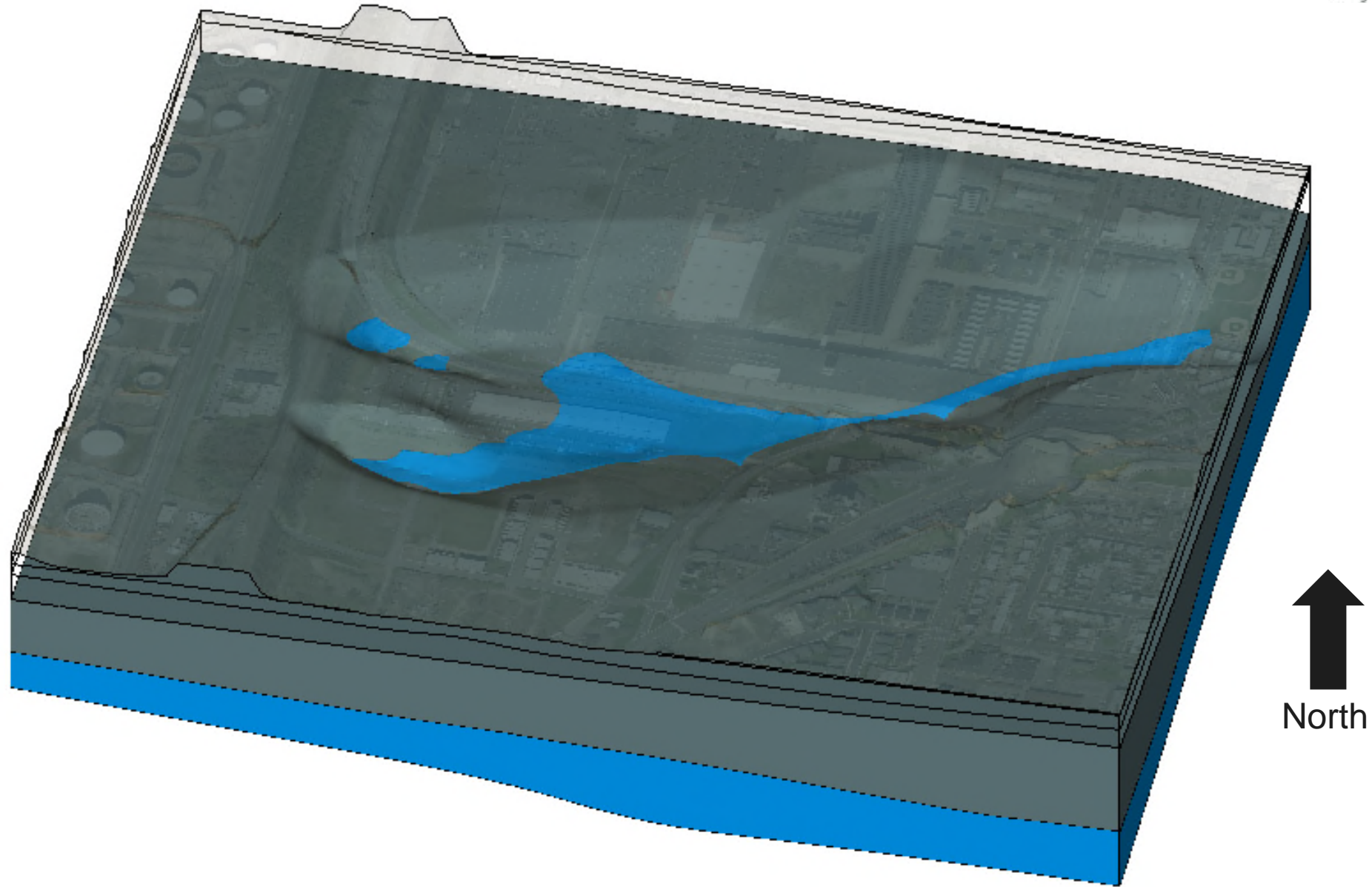
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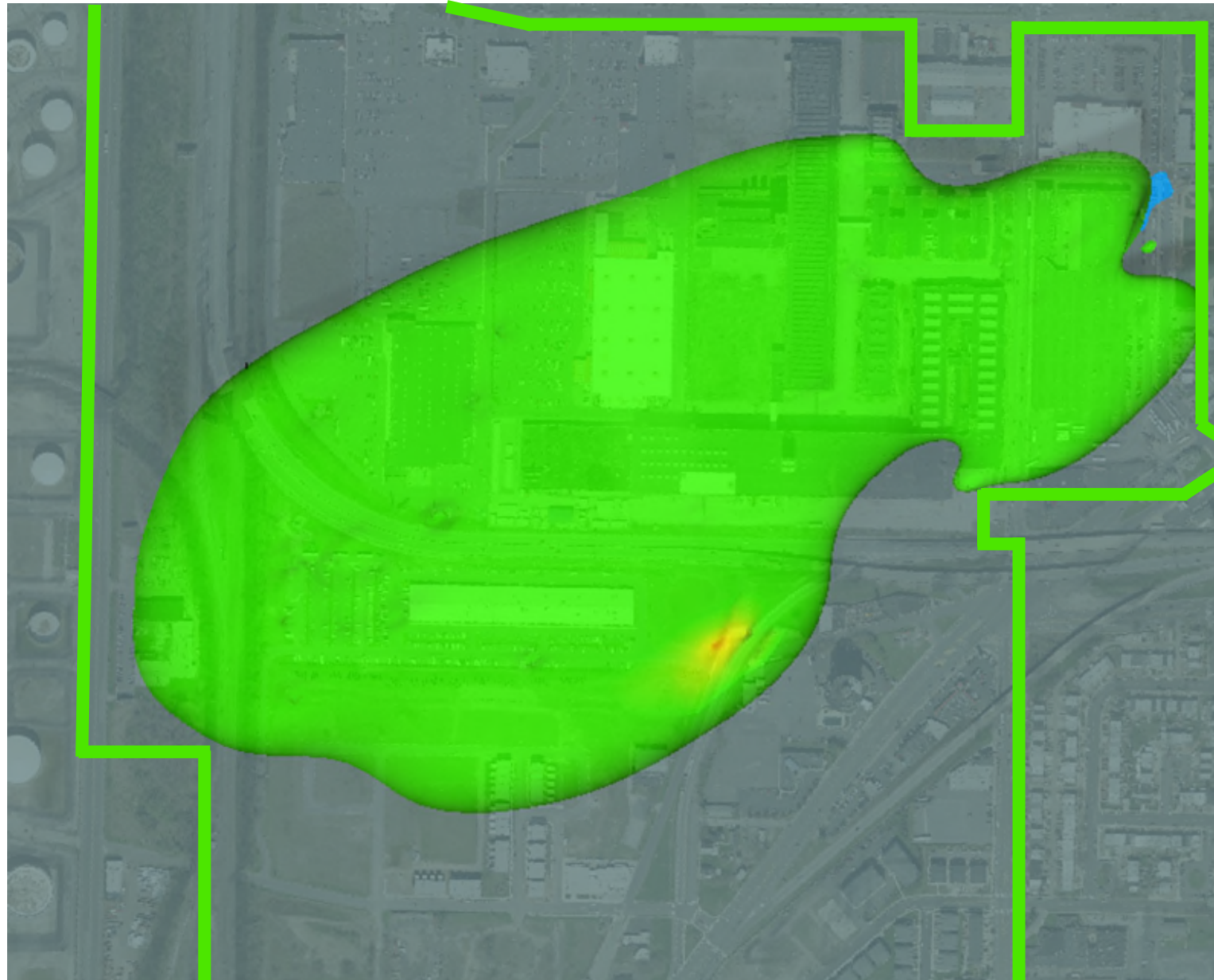
from USGS, 1991

- Sediment Wedge is like a giant cake
- Cake separated by frosting (sands separated by clays)
- Groundwater occurs in multiple separate layers
- Frosting (clay) is not present everywhere

Site Geology and Hydrogeology



Extent of Affected Media



Approximate Site boundary



Former DSCP Site Goals

- Goal #1 – Remediate to maximum extent practical by stabilizing residual LNAPL
- Goal #2 – Eliminate potential groundwater exposure pathways using institutional controls
- Goal #3 - Eliminate potential soil exposure pathway using institutional controls
- Goal #4 - Eliminate potential soil vapor exposure pathways



Engineering and Institutional Controls

- An **Engineering Control** is a physical modification to a structure or property that prevents risk of exposure to contamination
 - Example: vapor mitigation system
- **Institutional controls** are administrative and legal controls that help minimize the potential risk of exposure to contamination
 - Example: deed restriction

Engineering and Institution Controls remove risk and keep people safe

Goal #1 – Remediate LNAPL to Maximum Extent Practical

- Stabilize LNAPL through recovery and in situ degradation
- LNAPL stability criteria proposed:
 1. **Change in composition** of LNAPL (reduce volatility / solubility)
 2. **Decrease LNAPL transmissivity** to below Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council (ITRC) guidance of 0.8 ft/day
 3. **Decreasing trend** of dissolved constituents of concern (COC, such as benzene) in site groundwater

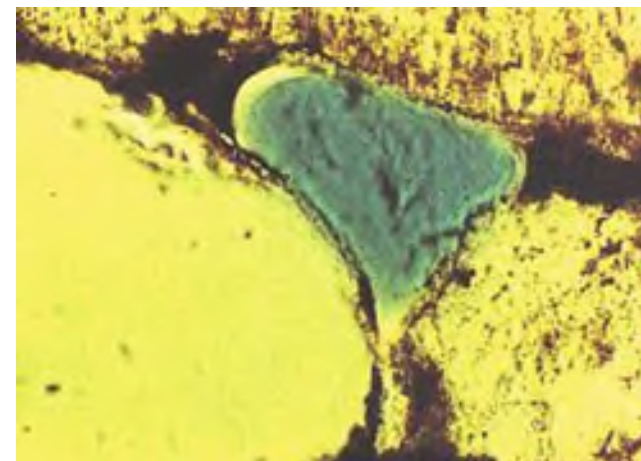
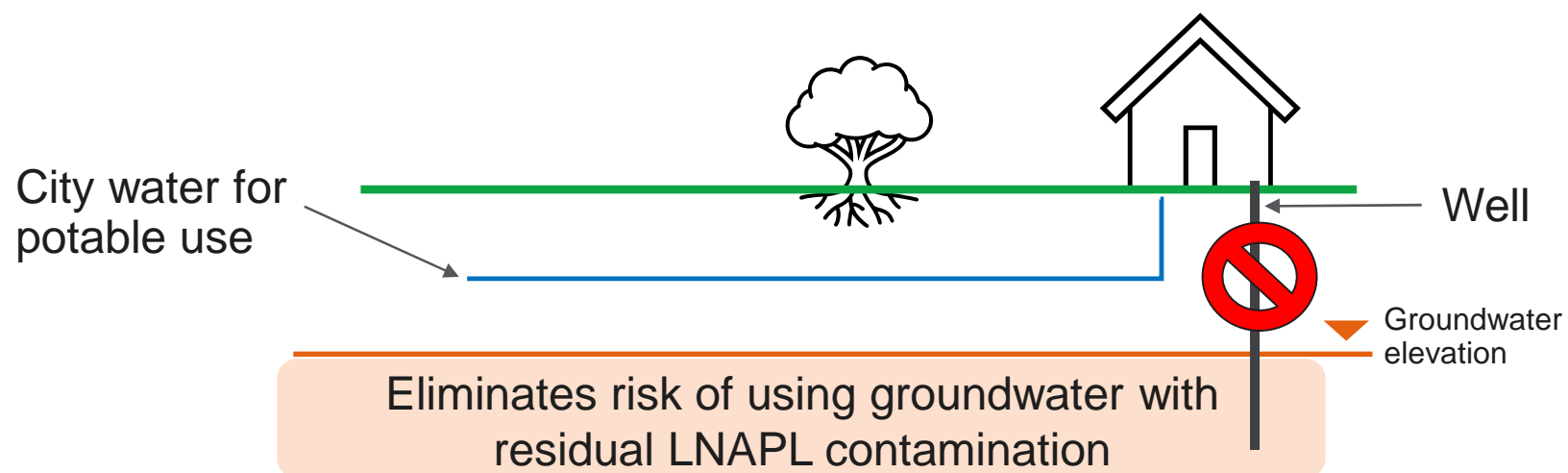


Image courtesy of the American Petroleum Institute

ITRC Source <https://lnapl-3.itrcweb.org/>

Goal #2 - Eliminate Potential Groundwater Exposure Pathway

- No current public usage of groundwater for consumption
 - Public water is provided from the Philadelphia Water Department
- Prohibit future groundwater usage by institutional control
 - Prevent groundwater exposure
 - Institutional controls prevent future use of groundwater



Goal #3 - Eliminate Potential Soil Exposure Pathway

- Soil contamination is below 11ft
- Institutional controls to protect workers
 - Controls such as a soil management plan keep utility workers safe from exposure for excavations below 11ft
 - Restricting use of soil below 11ft to prevent potential direct contact exposure to residual soil contamination



Sewer trench construction
Image courtesy of Tetra Tech

Goal #4 - Eliminate Potential Soil Vapor Exposure Pathway

- Vapor intrusion assessment to determine engineering and institutional control needs in commercial and residential structures
- Document existing engineering controls present in many Site buildings such as in Quartermaster Plaza and Siena Place
- Assess risk in structures within the proximity boundary of the historic extent of Site LNAPL
- Engineering controls such as vapor mitigation systems will be implemented where required



Industrial building with active vapor mitigation system



Example of a passive vapor barrier

Act 2 Site Boundaries



Legend:

- Sewer Line
- Manhole
- Act 2 Site Boundary
- ~ Historic Extent of LNAPL (dashed where inferred)
- - - Current Extent of LNAPL (September 2019)



Act 2 Site Boundaries



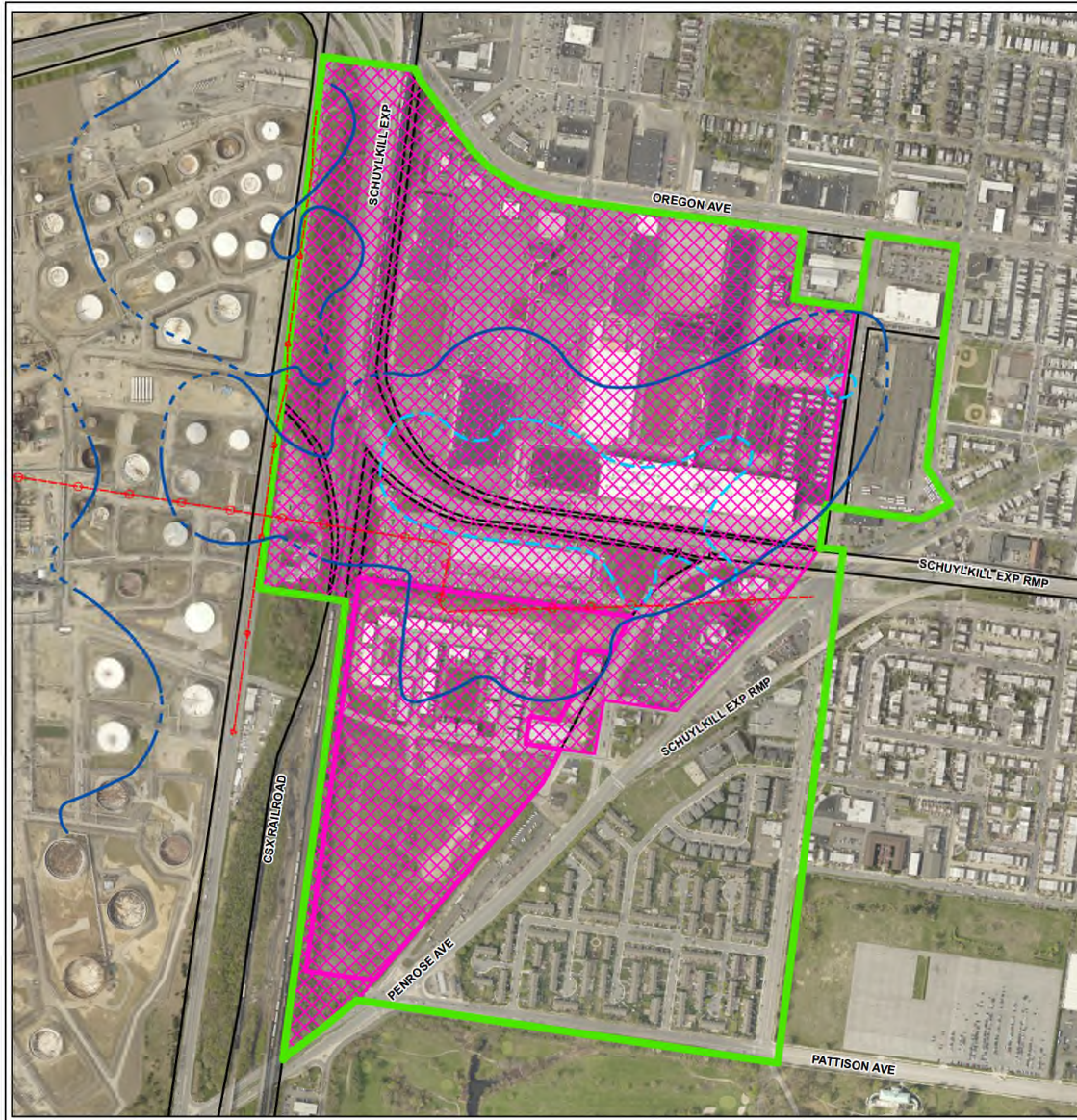
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- Sewer Line
- Manhole
- Act 2 Site Boundary
- Vapor Intrusion Assessment Only; Not Currently Part of Act 2 Site.
- Historic Extent of LNAPL (dashed where inferred)
- Current Extent of LNAPL (3Q 2019)









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Act 2 Site Boundaries



Legend:

-  Sewer Line
-  Manhole
-  Act 2 Site Boundary
-  Act 2 Site Shallow Groundwater, Deep Groundwater and Vapor
-  Historic Extent of LNAPL (dashed where inferred)
-  Current Extent of LNAPL (September 2019)



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Act 2 Site Boundaries



Legend:

- Sewer Line
- Manhole
- Anticipated Former DSCP Act 2 Site Location
- Act 2 Site Deep Groundwater Area
- Inferred Extent of Product (October 2002, dashed where inferred)
- Inferred Extent of Product (3Q 2018)



North

LNAPL Clean-up Timeline

1996

Active clean-up commenced IRAs
Vacuum truck extraction and skimming

1999

Fixed skimming systems installed
DSCP, Former Passyunk Homes, and modular systems

2001

Vacuum Enhanced Skimming Pilot Study
Internal combustion engine vapor treatment

2005

Vacuum enhanced skimming commenced
Enhanced LNAPL recovery using low applied vacuum

2011

Optimization of Vacuum Enhanced Skimming
Focused Higher Vacuum Extraction and Bioventing

2019

Biovent-Biosparge pilot system installed
Accelerated in-situ biodegradation of LNAPL



Vacuum truck at DSCP



ICE pilot system at DSCP, image courtesy of Tetra Tech

Expanded Skimming Systems

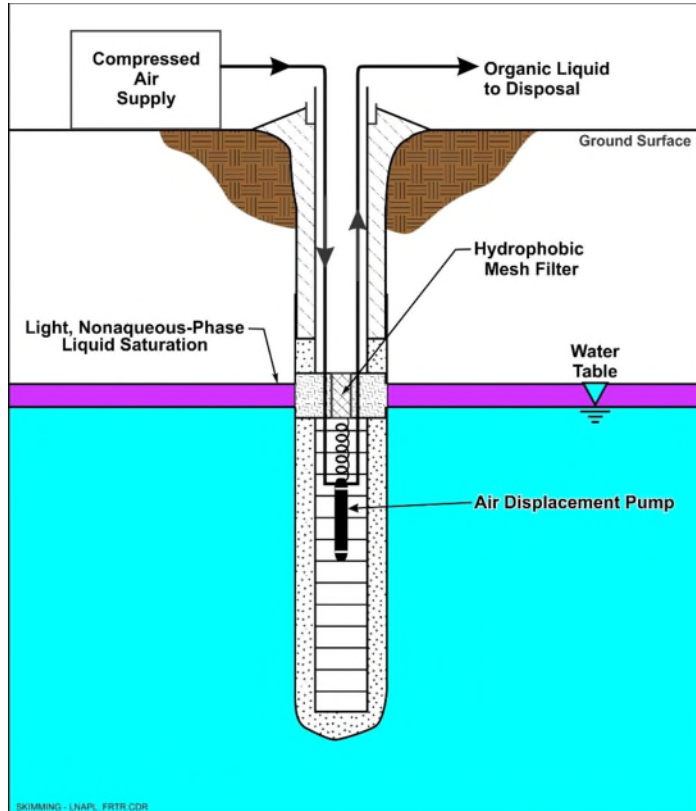


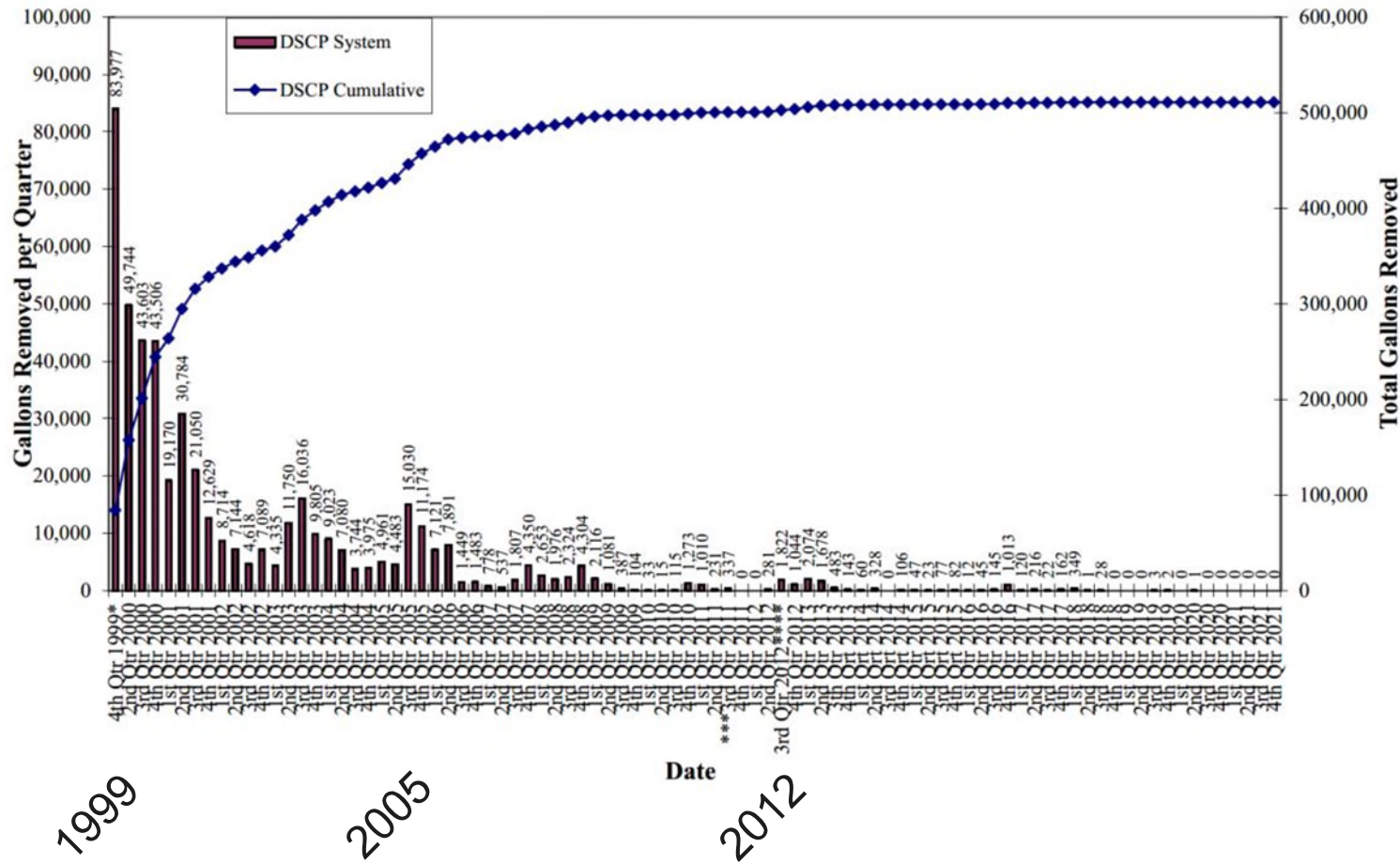
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- Installed in 1999
- 49 recovery wells
- Skimmer pumps with floating intakes
- Periodic use of Solar-powered modular skimmers



Skimmer pumps and solar powered modular skimmer at DSCP

Skimming Operations



- Majority of recoverable LNAPL was recovered from 1999 to 2005
- Decreasing LNAPL recovery led to the *clean-up alternative evaluation*

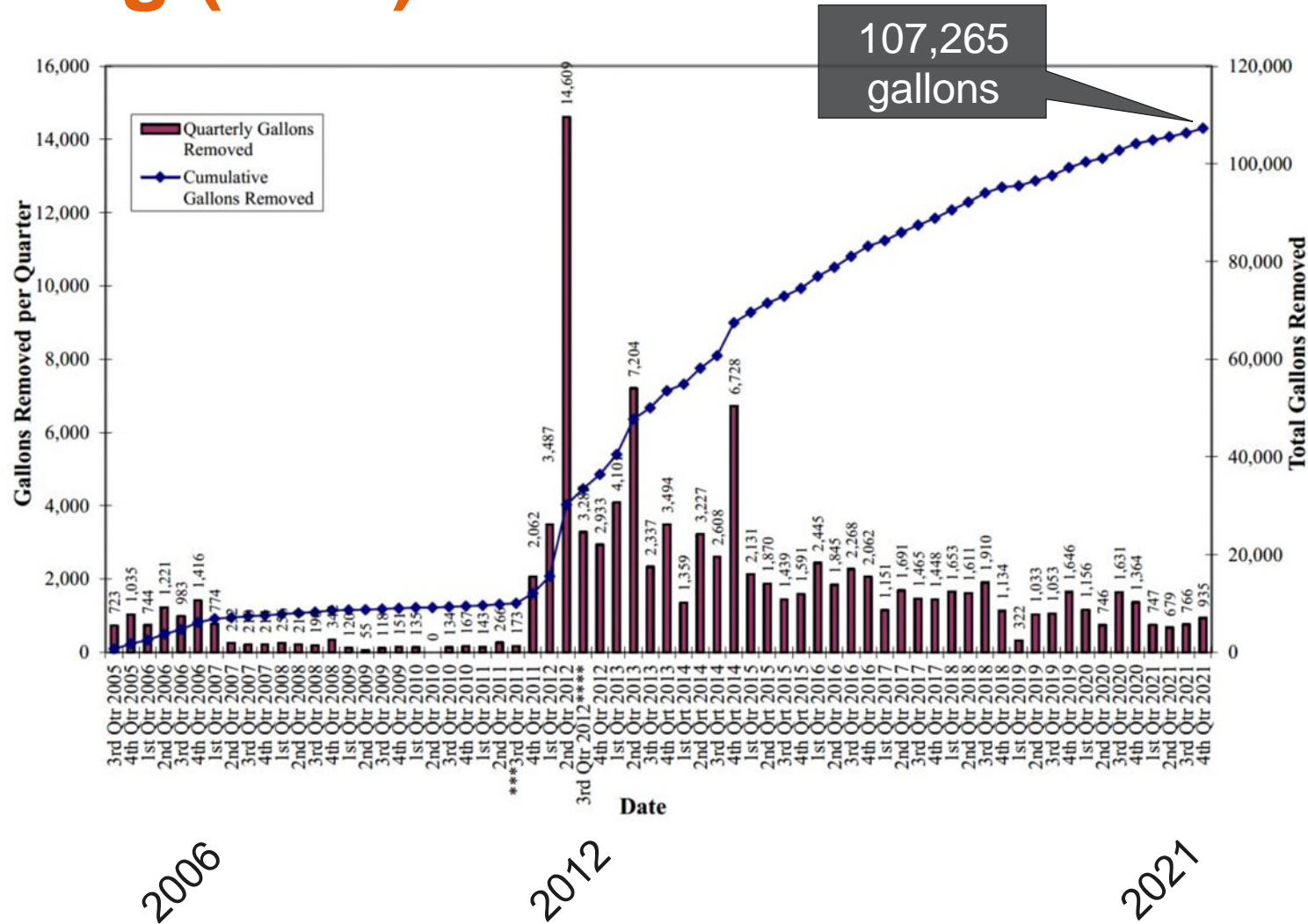
Skimming yields diminishing results

Clean-up Alternatives

- Vacuum enhanced skimming
- Biovent / Biosparge
- Expansion of skimming network
- Bioslurping or multi-phase extraction
- Groundwater pump and treat

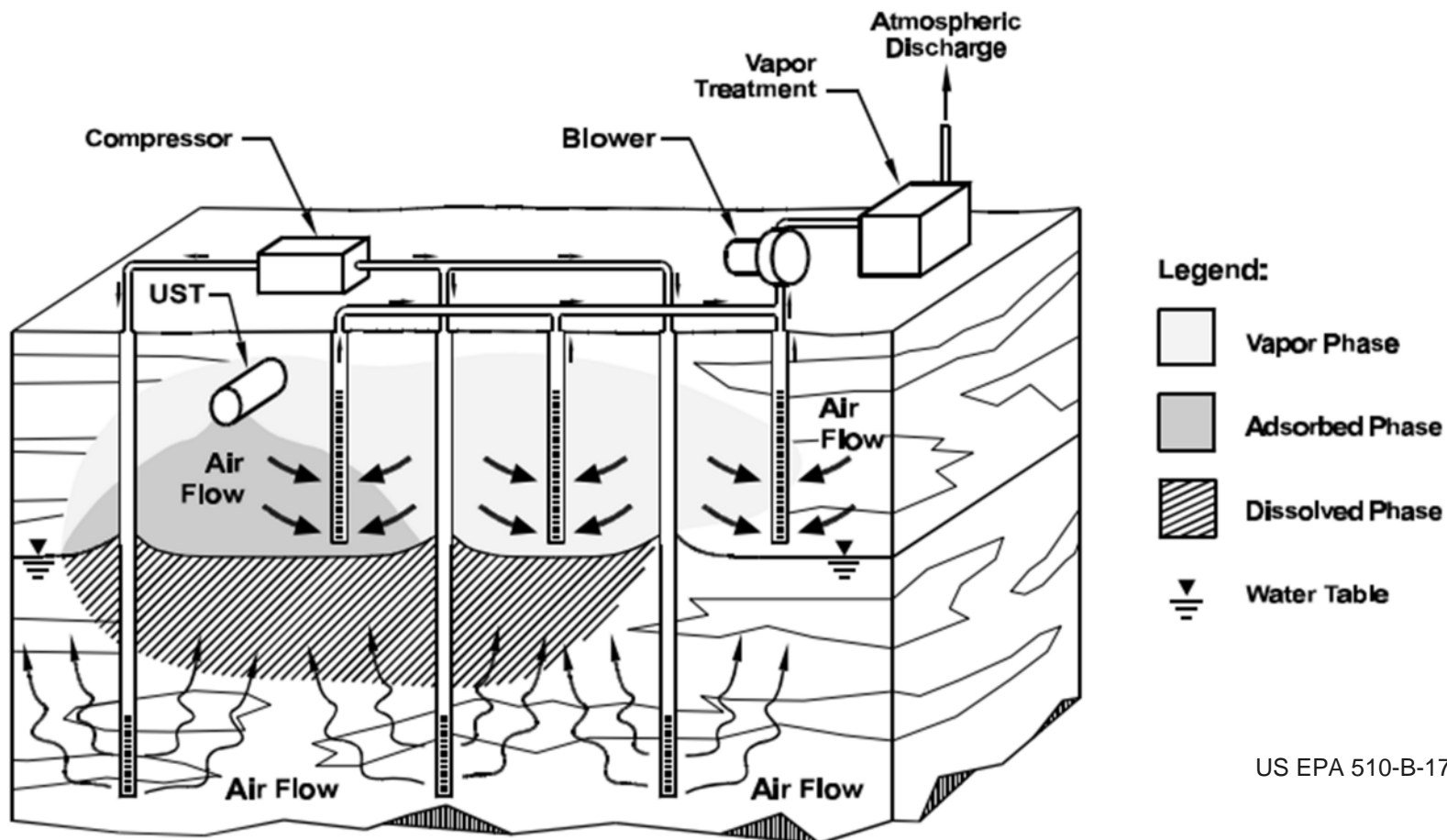


Clean-up: Vacuum Enhanced Skimming (VES)



System enhancements generate greater results.

Biovent/Biosparge System

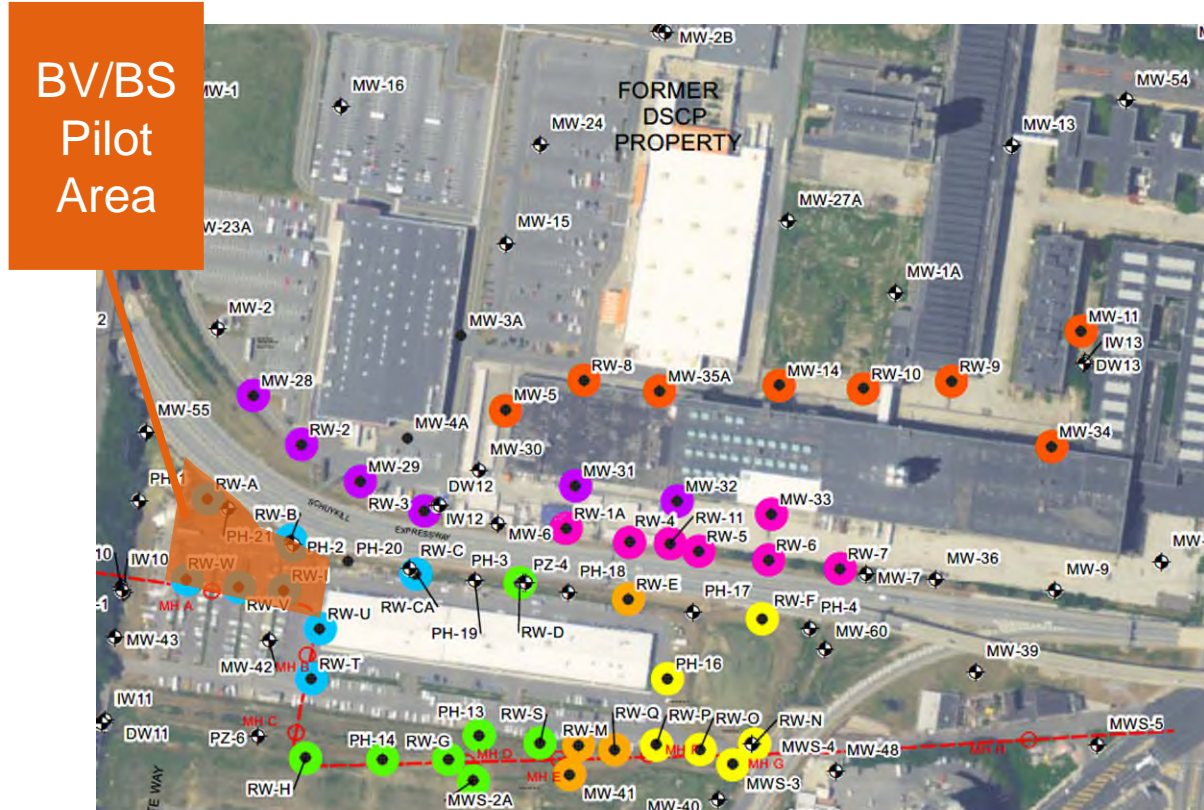


US EPA 510-B-17-003 October 2017

The Biovent/Biosparge injects air above and below the water table to add oxygen and promote bioremediation.

Biovent/Biosparge System

- Pilot BV/BS System operating since 2019
- Performance monitoring show bioremediation accelerating in the pilot area



Engineering and Institutional Controls

- **Vapor mitigation systems**
 - Passive vapor barriers
 - Quartermaster Plaza buildings and Siena Place Homes
 - Active Sub-Slab Depressurization Systems (SSDS)
 - Similar to radon mitigation systems
 - Planned for large commercial buildings
 - Pollack Packer Avenue Sewer Venting System
- **Deed restrictions for properties over historic LNAPL plume:**
 - Restrict use of groundwater and soil below 11ft
 - Maintain vapor mitigation systems where needed

Clean-up Goals per Media Impacted

Site Specific Standard - Media & Pathway Elimination Approach

For the LNAPL affected media:

- LNAPL – Demonstrate stability
- Shallow Groundwater – Prohibit use
- Deep Groundwater – Prohibit use
- Soil – Soil Management Plan
- Soil Vapor
 - Risk Assessment – Pathway elimination
 - Engineering Controls

Summary Slide

Major points of the Former DSCP presentation

Remedial Investigation Report

- Project contacts and project information
- History
- Conceptual site model

Cleanup Plan

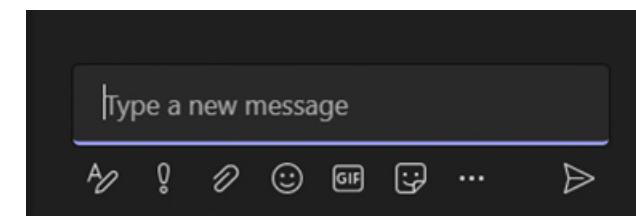
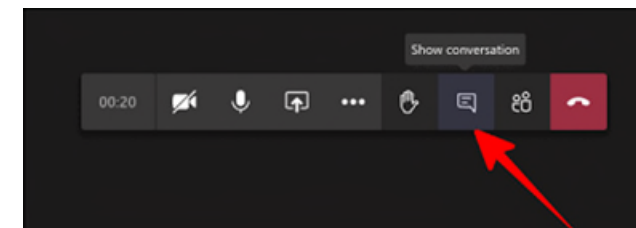
- Goals and clean up progress
- Activities to enable clean up and site closure

RIR/CP Submittal May 2022

No known or suspected public health impacts

Question and Answer Session

- Questions or comments for the project team?
- Can type questions or comments in the chat window now, or email them to: DLAEnvPC@dla.mil.
- We will respond to questions as time allows now, or by email
- Comments will be compiled and provided to Pennsylvania DEP case manager along with the RIR/CP.
- Public review period is 90 days, ending March 15, 2022 at 5 PM EST.



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Thank You for Your Participation

- We appreciate you taking the time to participate in this public forum
- A copy of the minutes and presentation will be made available on the administrative record website:
 - <https://www.dla.mil/HQ/InstallationManagement/DoingBusinessWithInstallationManagement/EnvironmentalDocuments/>
- Updates to the clean-up efforts at DSCP and the Act 2 process will be posted at this website

