

*In-Situ Thermal Remediation of TCE  
DNAPL from Glacially Deposited  
Clay-Silt Diamicton and Subsequent  
Remedial Performance Assessment*

Great Lakes Environmental Remediation and Redevelopment  
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- Site History
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# Site History

- 100-year old former metal plating & wood working facility
- Purchased in 1997 to redevelop as condos



**BELGRAVIA - FACTORY CONDOS, 1999**





# Site History

- Constructed in the early 1900s
- Releases from plating wastes through 1970's
- Primary contaminant
  - Trichloroethene (TCE), 1,2-dichloroethene (1,2-DCE), and other volatile organic compounds
- Release points
  - Suspect waste handling
  - Drain-field disposal

# City Site Reclamation Grant (01-02)

- § Test pitting
- § Soil borings to 10 feet
- § Soil, GW, soil gas sampling
- § Building material assessment
- § Excavation of old septic tank
- § Removed 200 yards Hazardous content/soil

# City Site Reclamation Grant (02-04)

- § Indoor air sampling - Factory Condo units
  - § One sample exceeded exposure criteria
- § Performed deeper SBs in plating room
  - § Disposed of plating room floor and 4 feet of soil excavated for pool
  - § Designed a Response Plan: Installed subfloor SVE system and Liquid Boot<sup>®</sup> vapor barrier

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- Health Club Developed
  - § Gymnasium
  - § Tennis Courts
  - § Pool



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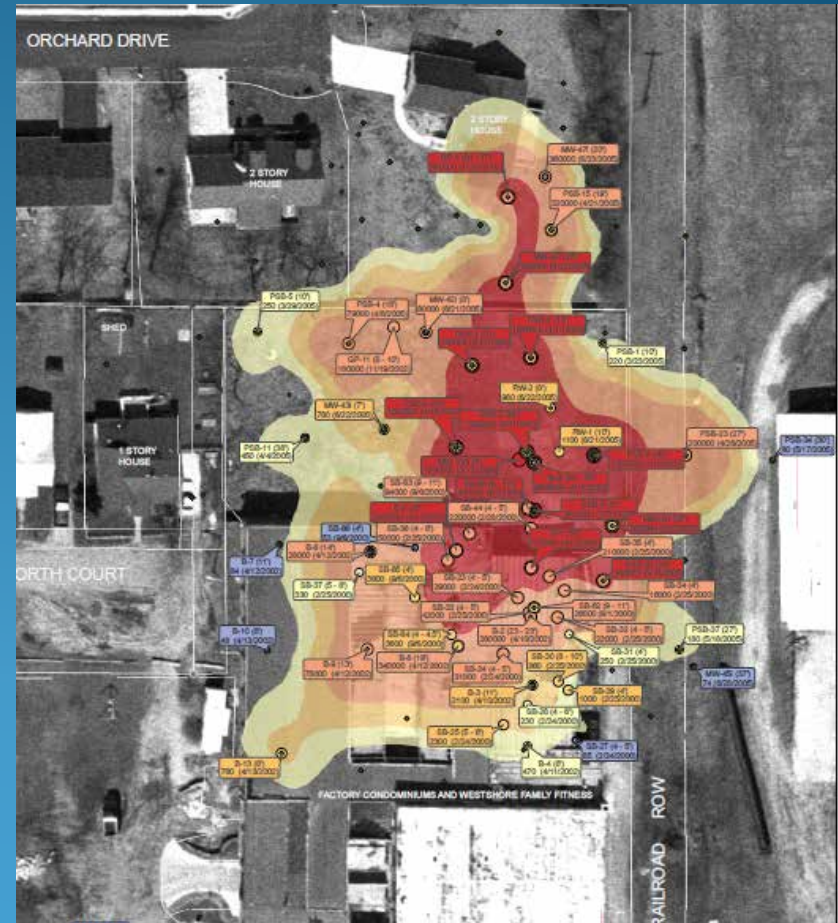
# Remedial Investigations 2005-2009

- Investigative Tools
  - § Sonic Drilling, Geoprobe
  - § Soil Gas Sampling
  - § Indoor Air Sampling
  - § Sump Water Sampling
- Factory Condos
- Affected Residences (3)

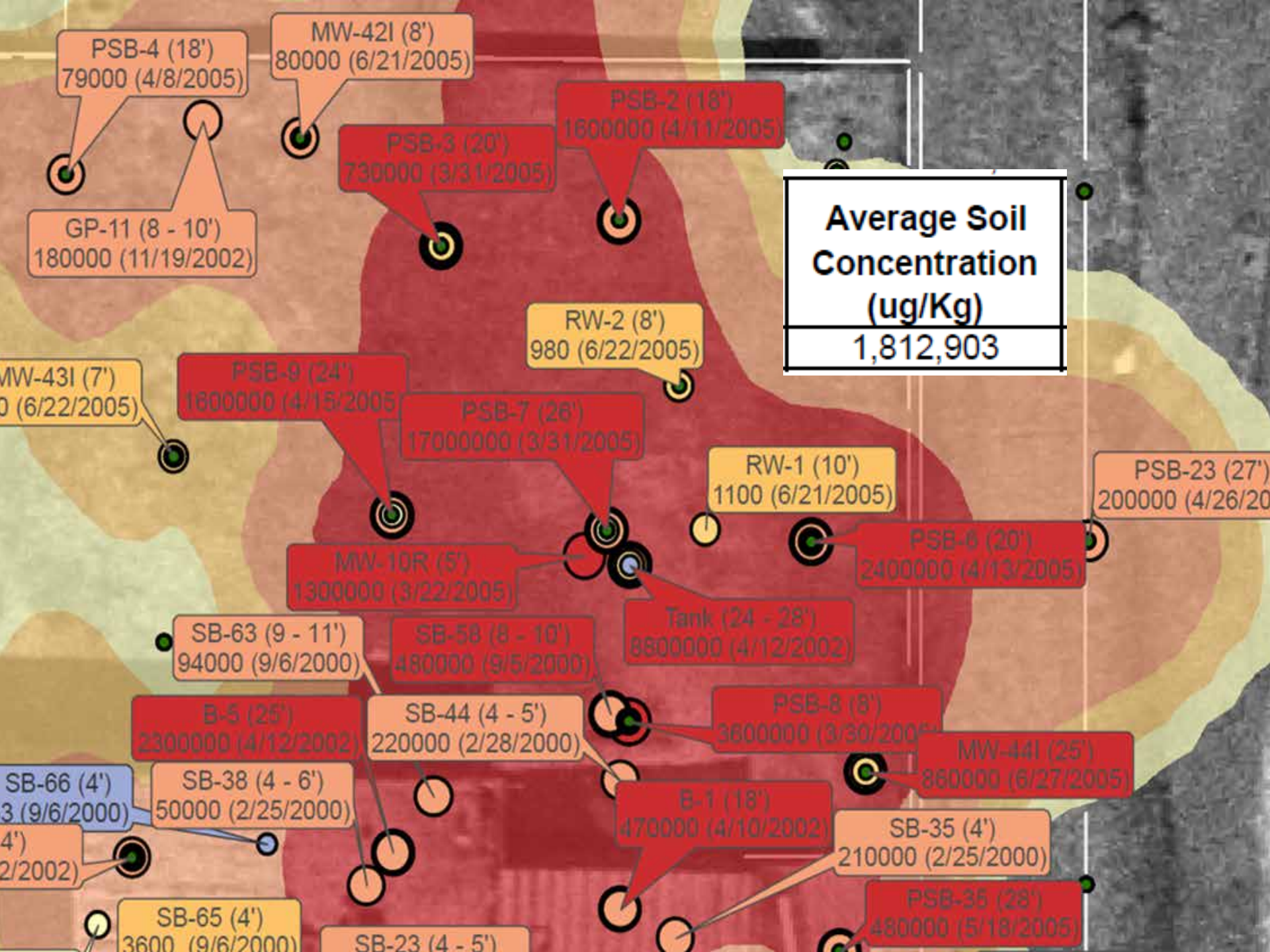




# TCE Impact In Glacial Till Unit

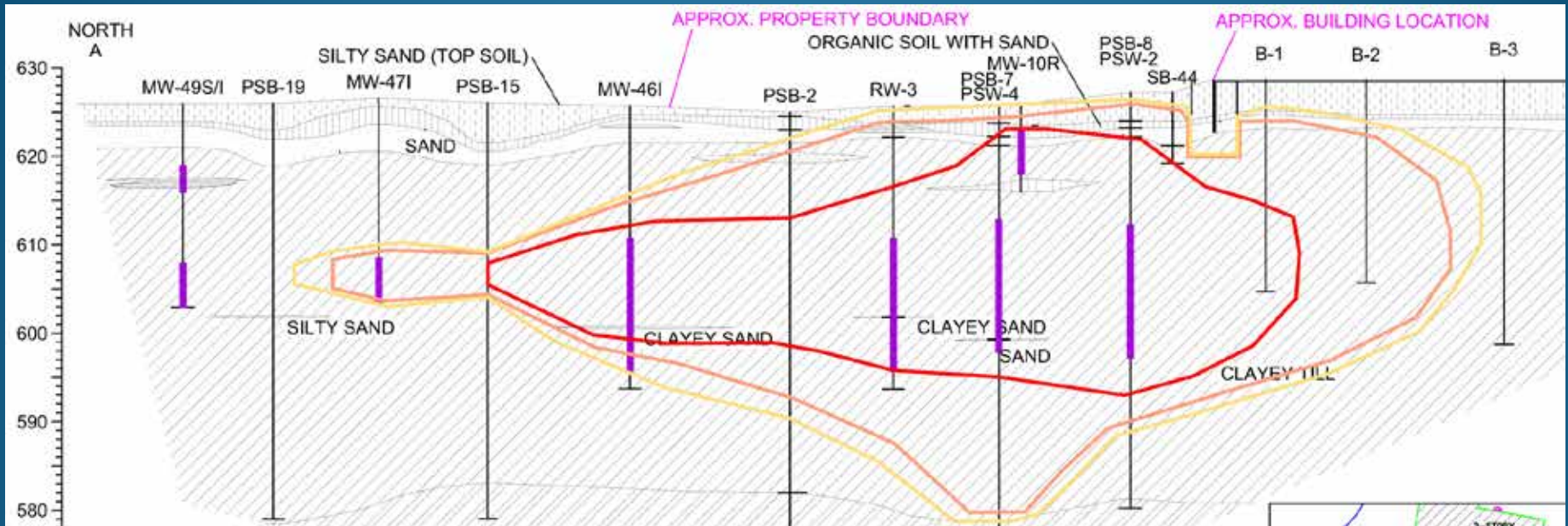






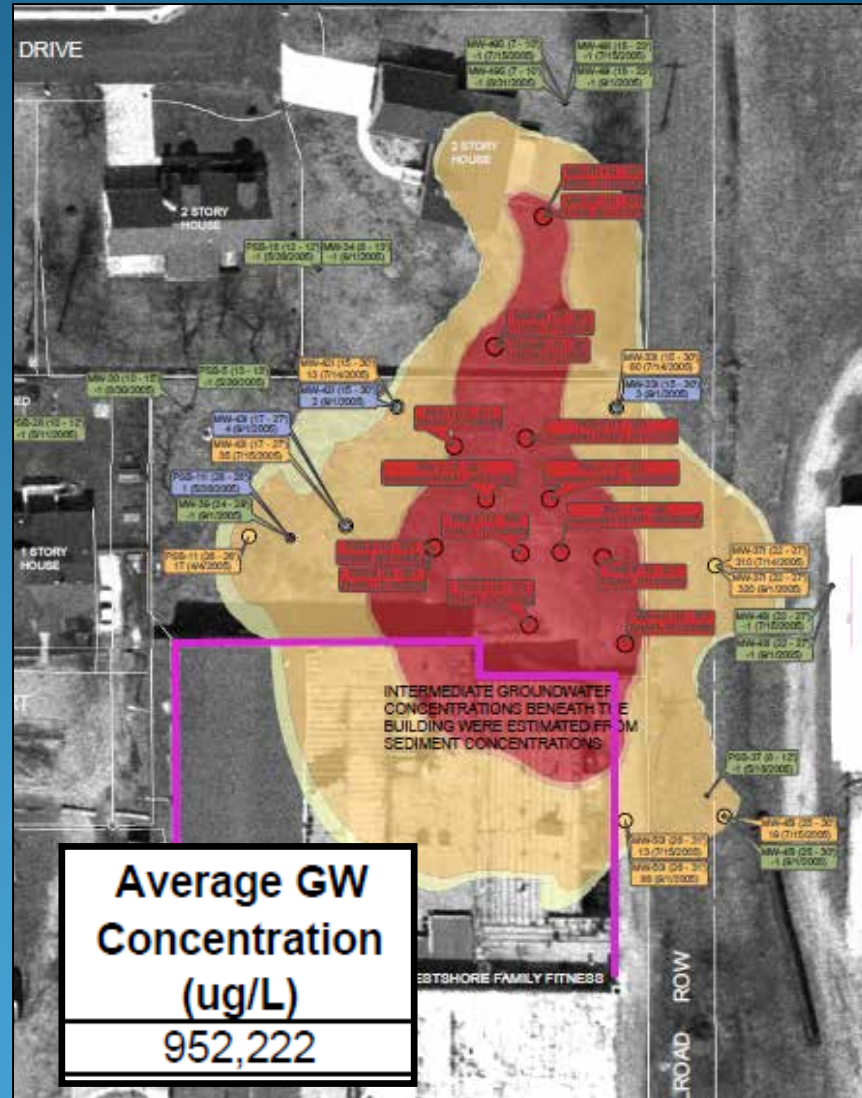
**Average Soil Concentration (ug/Kg)**  
**1,812,903**

# TCE/DNAPL Impact Profile





# Dissolved Phase TCE Impact



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# VI Studies Condos & Residence



- Indoor Air Sampling
- Soil Gas Sampling
- Vapor Pin Sampling
- Crawl Space Air Sampling



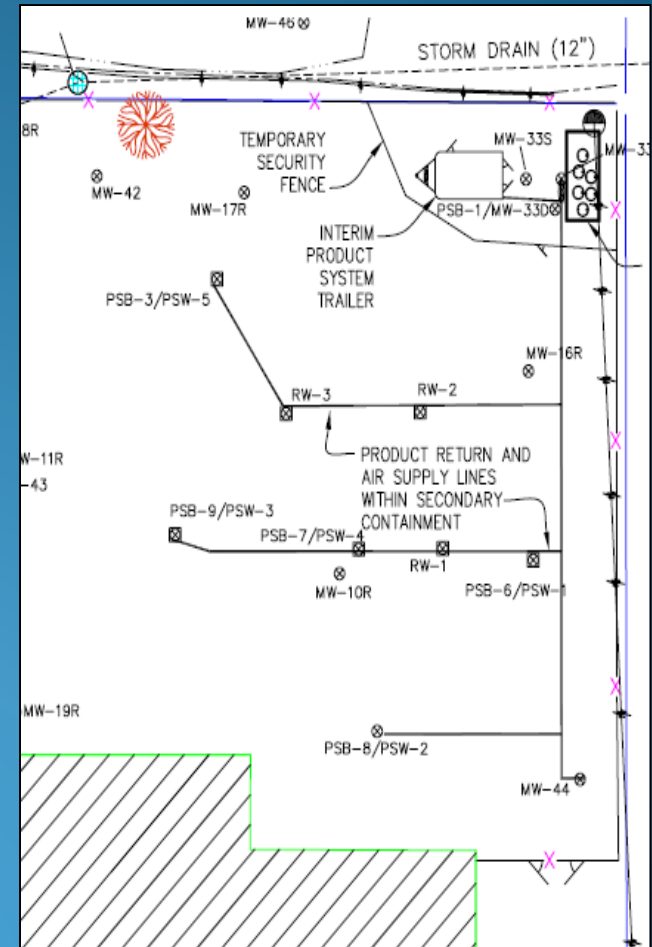
# Interim Response Measures

- Sealed sumps to extract volatiles at residences
- Retro-coat sealed residential basements



# Interim Response Measures

- Initiated DNAPL Recovery
  - § 10 well collection system
  - § Seasonally operated 2005-2010
  - § 100 gal. NAPL removed in 5 Yr





# 2015 Health Club Demolition

- SVE system removed under health club flooring

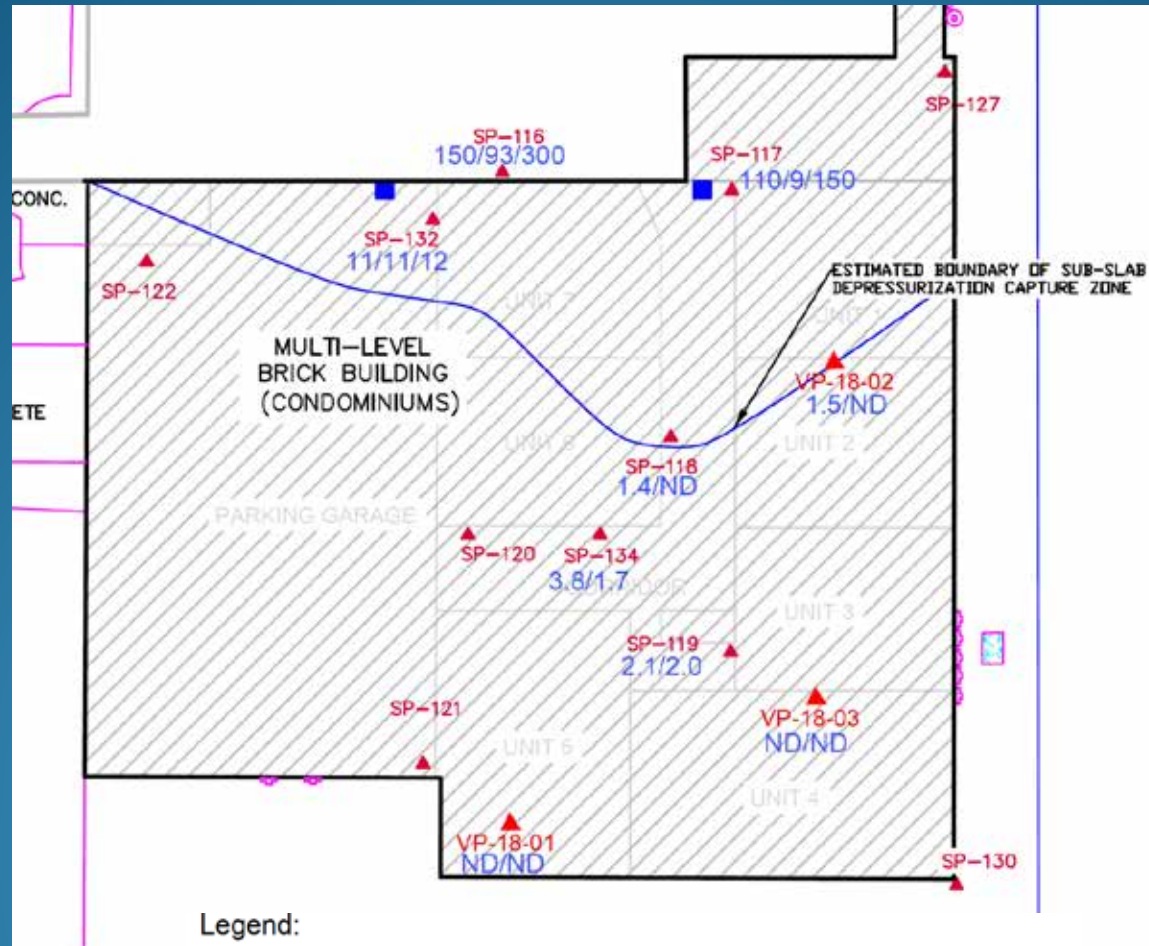




# 2015 - Installed F.C. SSD System



# PFE Testing, Soil Gas Sampling



Legend:

- ▲ VP-18-01 Sub-slab soil gas sampling location with TCE concentrations in ug/m<sup>3</sup>  
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- Sub-slab depressurization extraction point (installed 2015)

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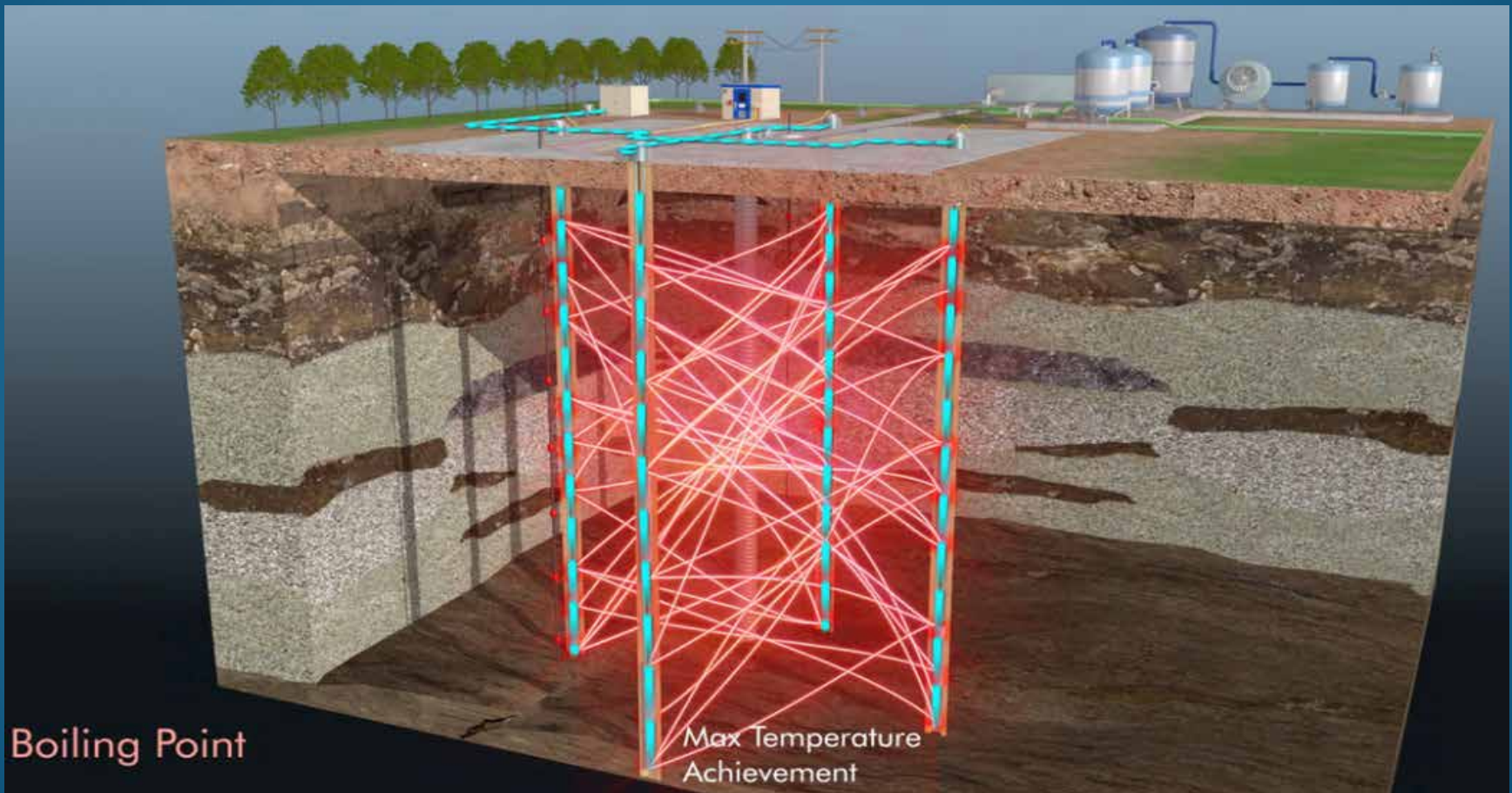
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# Feasibility Studies (Technologies Assessment and Reassessment)

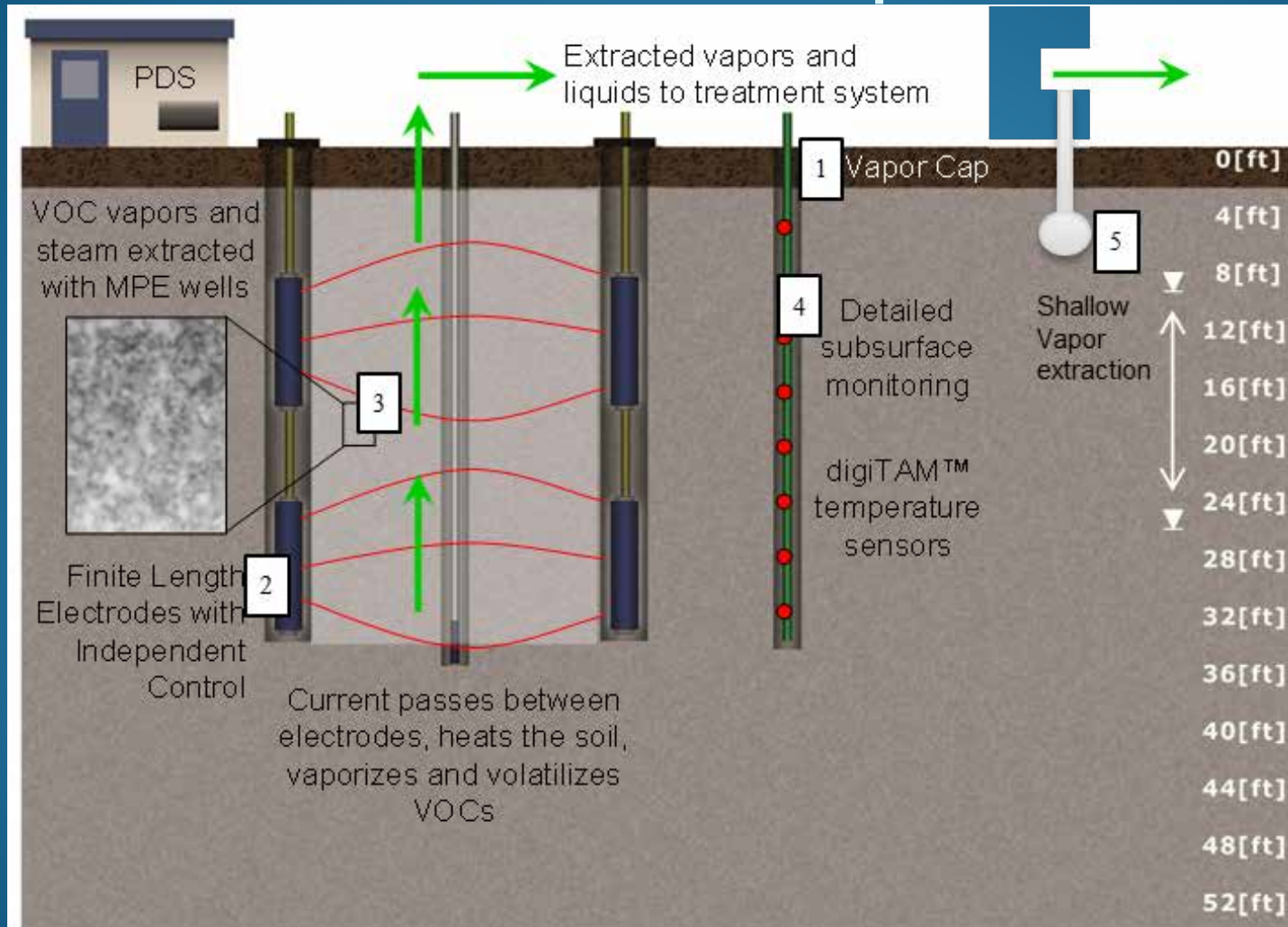
- Soils Excavation
- ISCO and In Situ Bioremediation
- ISCR Emplaced via Hydraulic Fracturing into Clay Till
- ZVI Mixing, Large Diameter Augers
- Capping and Hydraulic Control
- In Situ Thermal Remediation (ISTR)
  - § Electrical Resistance Heating (ERH)



# ERH Design: Electro-Thermal Dynamic Stripping Process (ET-DSP™)

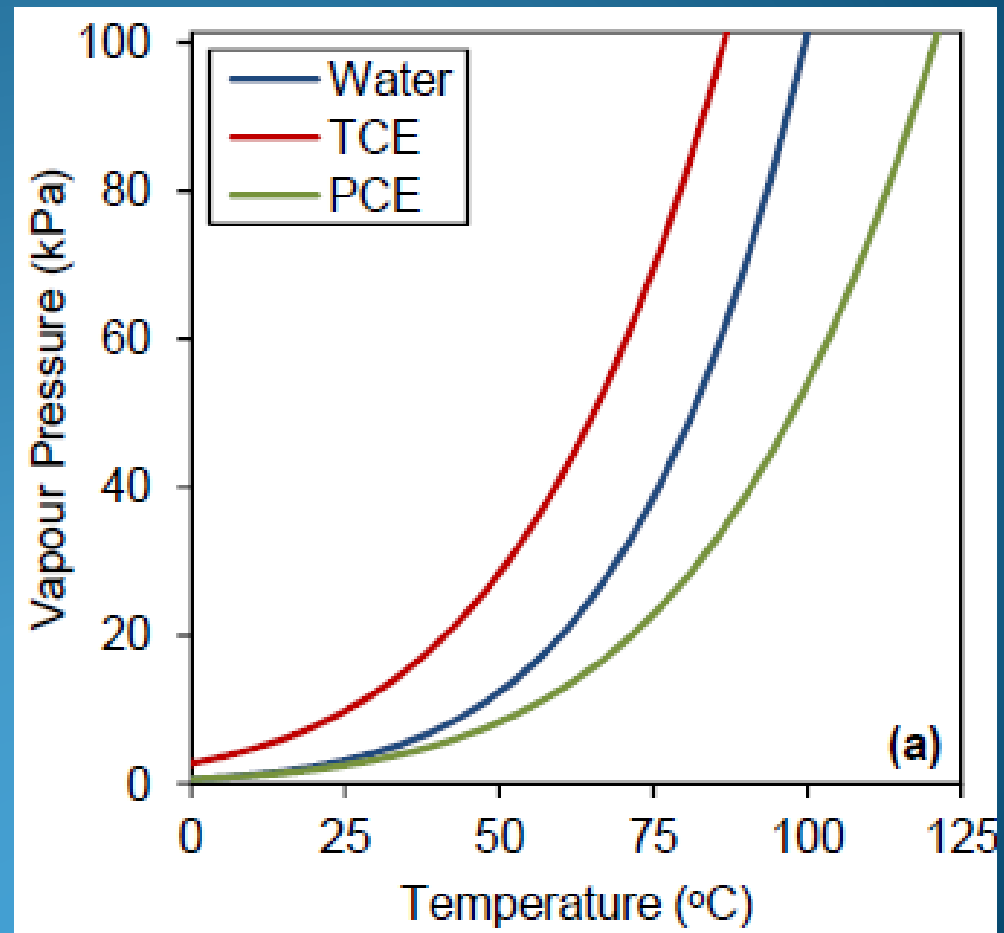


# ET-DSP™ - Electrodes, MPE Wells, Horizontal Wells, Temp. Sensors, PDS



# ET-DSP™ System Design

- Remedial Goal
  - Ave TCE 5000 ug/kg
- Target Temperature
  - 70 to 100 Celsius
- Vapor Recovery Rate
  - 500 to 600 cfm
- Liquid Extraction Rate
  - 6 to 8 gpm
- Soil Resistivity
  - 23 - 109 ohm-meters





# ET-DSP™ System Design

Parameter	Units	Notes
ET-DSP™ Electrodes	168	8 inch OD x 10 ft long; 2/boring
Power Systems	3 x 1330 kVA	Site computer and Internet control
Temperature Sensors	6 strings	72 Elements, 12 sensors per
Electrode Spacing	20 ft	Electrical, conductive, convective
Vertical Extraction Wells	55	SS304, 6-slot
Shallow Extraction Wells	6	Fiberglass, 10-slot
Input Power	907 kW	Peak power 1360 kW
Energy Input	3,919 MW/hr	Total energy to electrodes over operations period
Duration	180 Days	Baseline

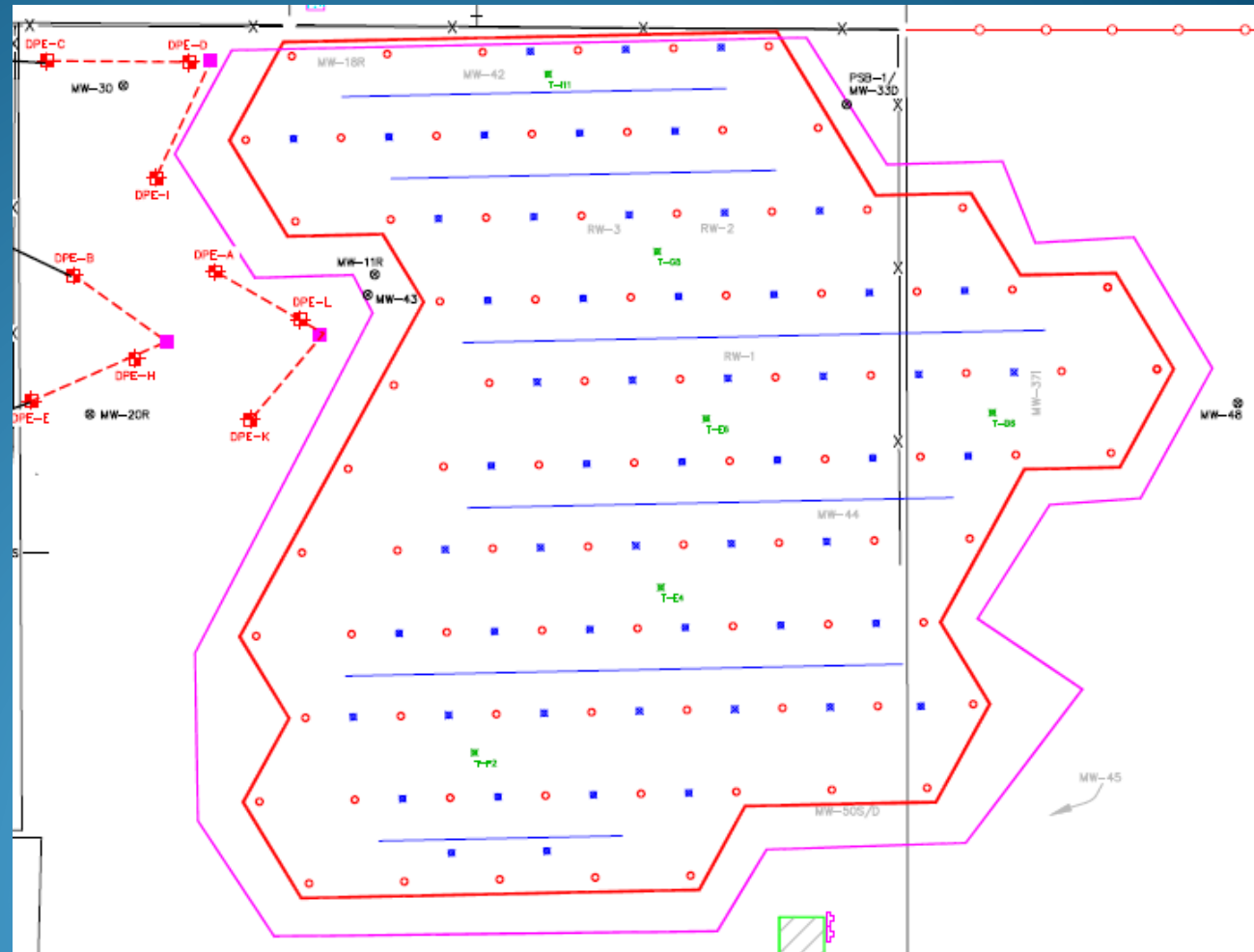
# ISTR - Treatment Area(s)



- Treatment
- Area: ~19,400 ft<sup>2</sup>
- Cap Area: ~ 29,500 ft<sup>2</sup>
- Interval: 0 - 30 ft BGS
- Volume: 23,700 yd<sup>3</sup>

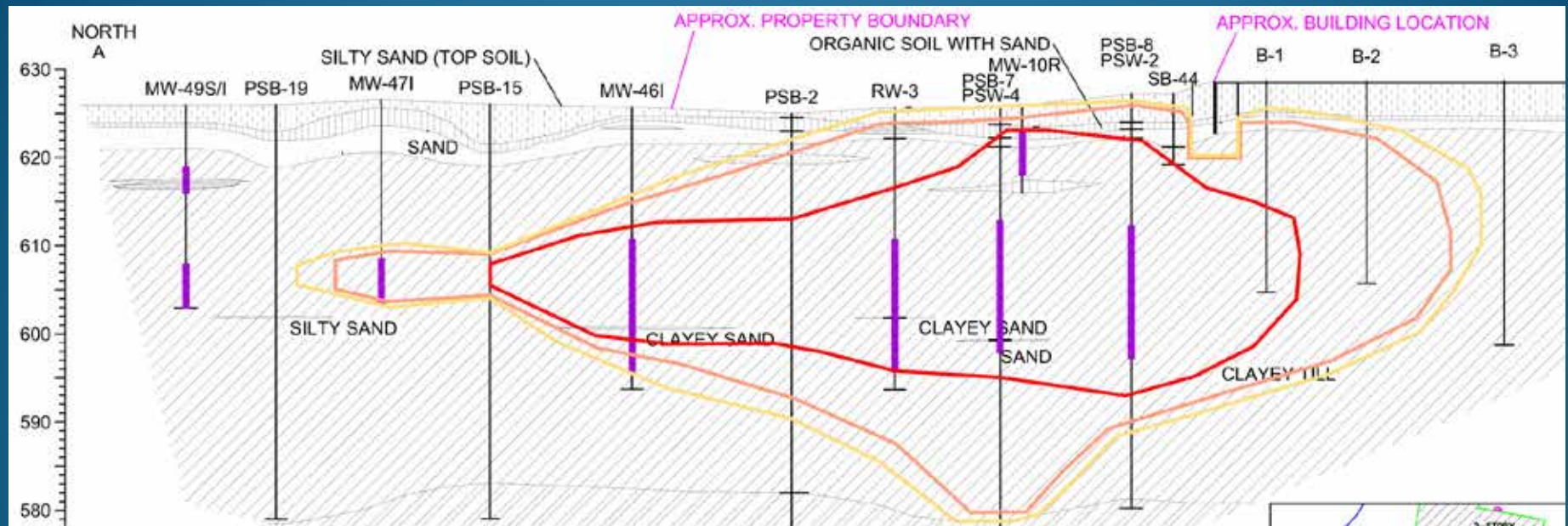
# ISTR Thermal Well Field

- 168 Electrodes
- 55 MPE Wells
- 12 DPE Wells
- 6 Temp. Strings
  - 72 Sensors
  - 12 per Profile





# ISTR – Treatment Target Zones



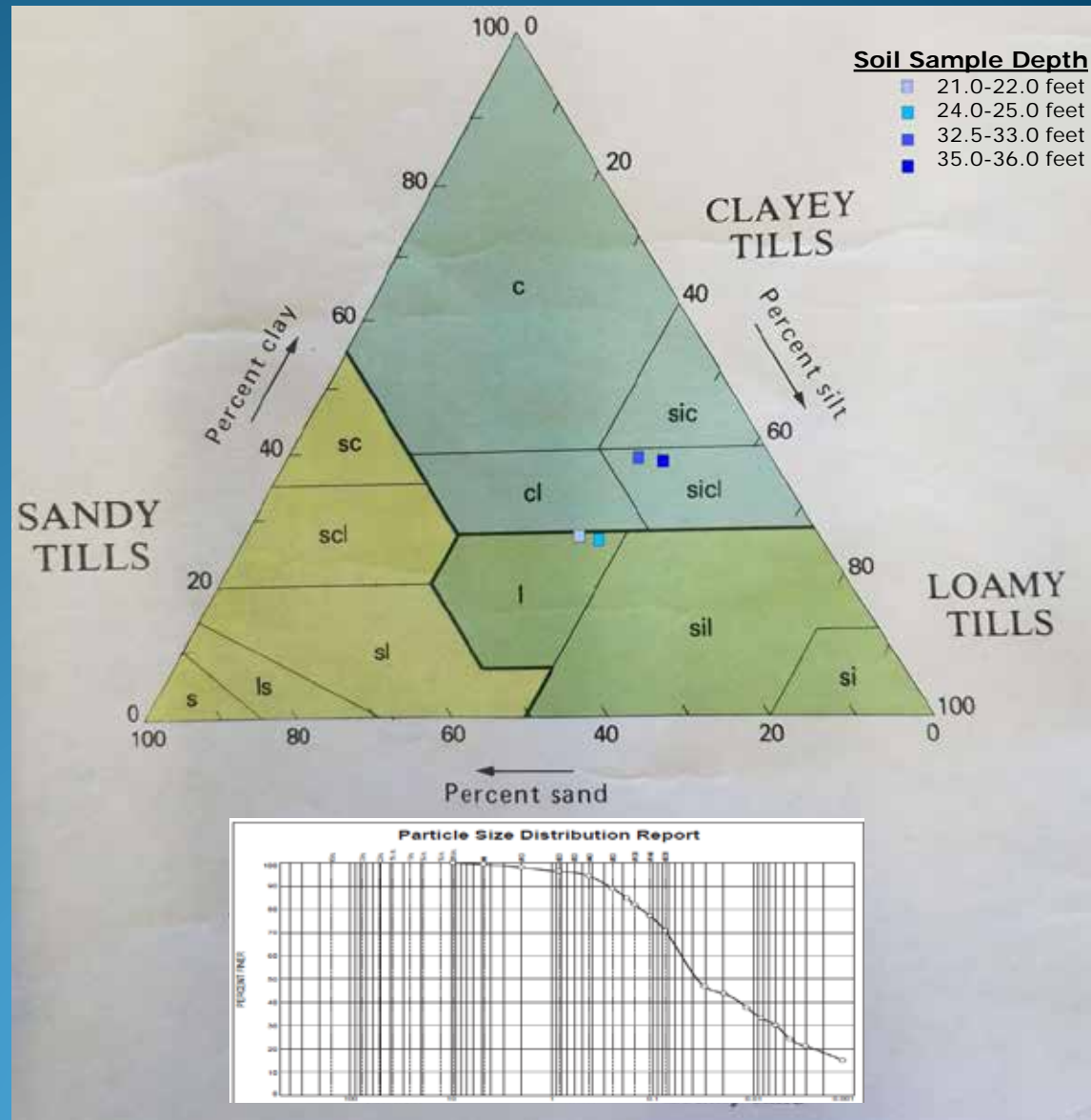
Csat/DC TARGET ZONE

SVII/GVII TARGET ZONE

GSIP/GSI TARGET ZONE

# Diamicton - Grain Size Distribution

Grain Size Distribution			
Depth (feet)	% Fine Sand	% Silt	% Clay
21.0-22.0	23.6	43.9	26.8
24.0-25.0	22.5	46.5	26.0
32.5-33.0	12.8	45.6	38.4
35.0-36.0	10.4	49.2	37.4



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# Trade Contractor Bidding Specifications

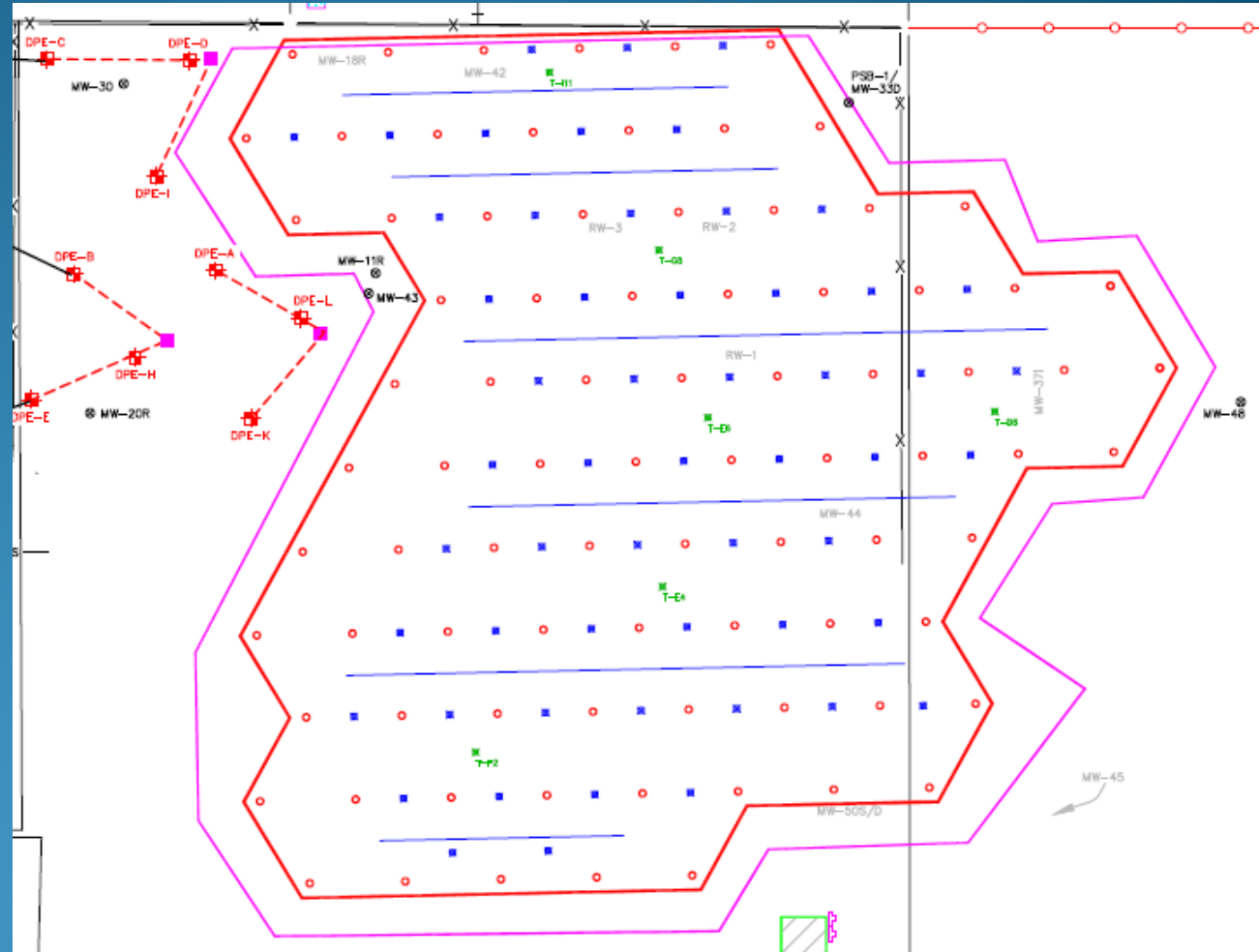
Item No.	Description	Quantity	Units
<b>PHASE 1</b>			
1A	Submittals and Site Service	1	Lump Sum
1B	Mobilization	1	Lump Sum
1C	Construction Field Office - Period Between Phase 1 and Phase 2	8	Month
1D	Site Security Guard	12	Month
2A	Temporary Bike Path	1	Lump Sum
2B	Gravel Access Driveways/Parking Areas and Stone Track-Out Pad	1	Lump Sum
2C	Remove Disused Extraction System Piping, Fencing and Tanks/Containment, and Disused Storm Drain Piping	1	Lump Sum
2D	Abandon Existing Monitoring Wells	1	Lump Sum
2E	Replace Storm Drain Piping	1	Lump Sum
2F	Remove Disused Water Line	1	Lump Sum
3A	Water Service for Thermal Remediation System	1	Lump Sum
3B	Sanitary Sewer Service for Thermal Remediation System	1	Lump Sum
3C	Power Service and Transformer for Thermal Remediation System	1	Lump Sum
4A	Electrode Wells	84	Each
4B	Vertical Multi-Phase Extraction Wells	54	Each
4C	Temperature Sensor Wells	6	Each
4D	Horizontal Vapor Extraction Wells	1	Lump Sum
4E	Concrete Vapor Cap	1	Lump Sum
4F	Cold Weather Installation of the Concrete Vapor Cap	1	Lump Sum
5A	Shallow Dual-Phase Extraction Wells	12	Each
5B	Shallow Dual-Phase Extraction System Piping, Valves, Valve Boxes	1	Lump Sum
6A	Containment, Characterization, Transport & Disposal of Non- Hazardous Solid Waste	1200	Tons
6B	Containment, Characterization, Transport & Disposal of Hazardous Solid Waste	200	Tons
6C	Containment, Characterization, Transport & Disposal of Non- Hazardous Liquid Waste	950	Gallons
6D	Containment, Characterization, Transport & Disposal of Hazardous Liquid Waste	2000	Gallons
7	Demobilization	1	Lump Sum

# Construction & Operations Schedule

- **Drilling & Concrete Cap Installation**
  - § March, April, and May 2018
- **Surface Component Installations**
  - § June and July 2018
- **System Operations**
  - § August 2018 to July 2019
- **Performance Testing**
  - § January-, May-, October-, December 2019
- **Site Restoration Activities**
  - § September – October 2019

# Drilling and Concrete Cap Installation

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# Installation



MPE Well w/Sump



Electrode Stack

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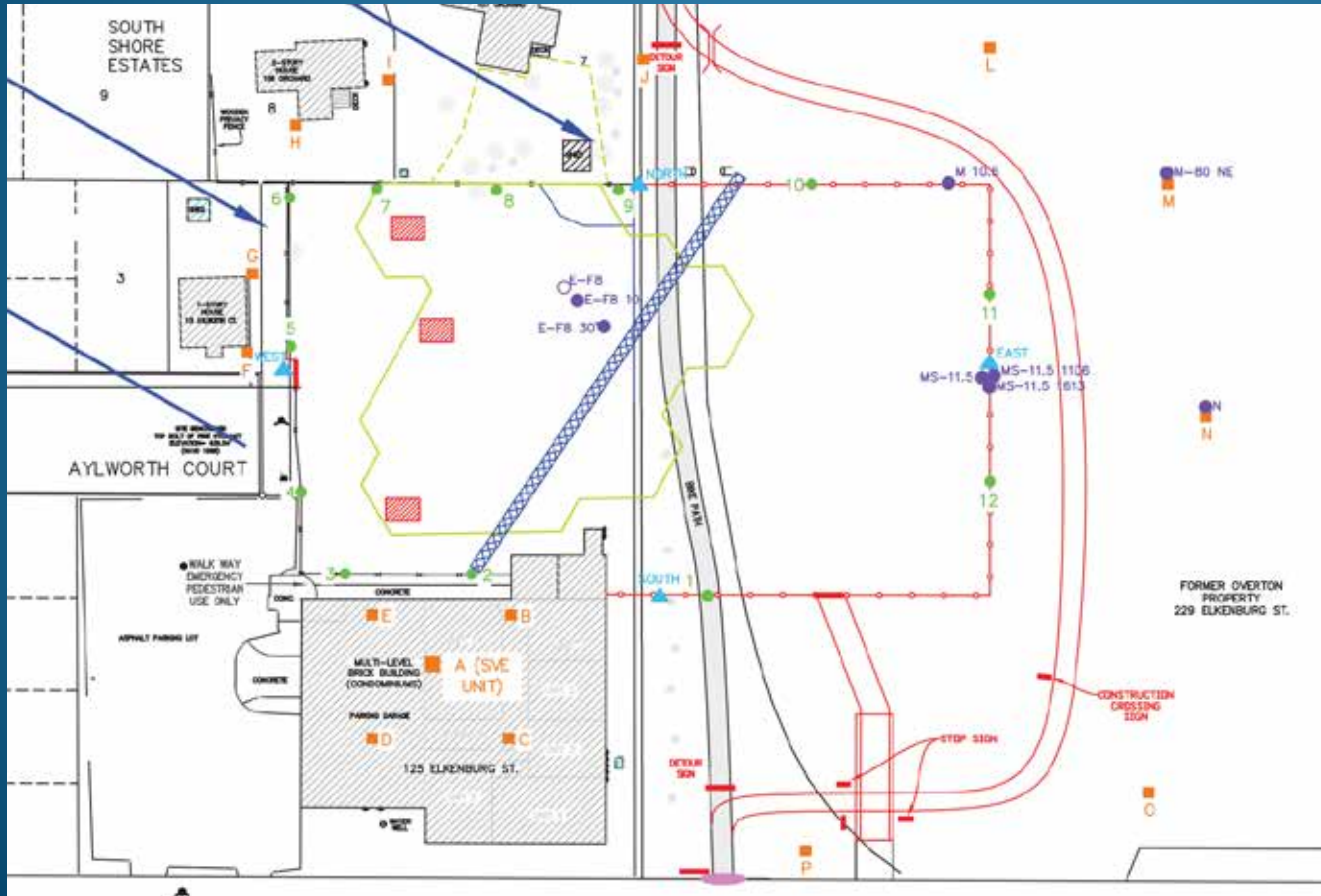


– Bagging Soils - Reduce Volatile Loss



# Perimeter Air Monitoring

PID values collected from 12 monitoring stations in the “breathing zone”.  
 If necessary, readings were collected from 2ndary monitoring stations A-K.



**LEGEND**

- - #1-#12 PRIMARY PERIMETER MONITORING LOCATION
- - A-K CONTINGENCY PERIMETER MONITORING LOCATION
- EXAMPLE LOCATIONS: 3 DRILL RIGS
- OPTIONAL BIKE PATH TEMPORARILY CLOSED - CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS
- - APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF TIME INTEGRATED SAMPLE

- ▲ - APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF BASELINE SAMPLE
- WOOD FENCING
- PERIMETER FENCE
- EXAMPLE AMBIENT AIR MIXING ZONE
- ➔ - EXAMPLE PREVAILING WIND DIRECTION



# Perimeter Air Monitoring

**Objective: Protect residence and general public from volatiles associated with system construction.**

- PID TCE correction factor = 0.54 @ 65% TCE
- 1.0 ppb PID reading equivalent to 0.35 ppb TCE.
- Real-time 24-hour average action level of **1.0 ppb** above background across prevailing wind direction was selected as a trigger action level for VOC emissions at the site perimeter.
- A background average PID value of **32 ppb** was established from 3 drill rigs running idly in center of site prior to drilling.
- Gaussian dispersion calculations assessed ambient air mixing in the breathing zone.
  - Calculations indicated a 98 fold reduction in concentration 30 meters from the source at wind a velocity of 8 mph. Reductions doubled with distance.

# Perimeter Air Monitoring

Perimeter air monitoring performed hourly for the first week . A minimum of 3 times daily for the remainder of well construction.

Date	Hour	Perimeter Air Monitoring Station Readings (1-minute averages) <sup>1</sup>												Weather Conditions (Temperature, Prevailing Wind)	Activities
		MS-1	MS-2	MS-3	MS-4	MS-5	MS-6	MS-7	MS-8	MS-9	MS-10	MS-11	MS-12		
8-Mar-18	0700	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28 °F, NW @ 13 mph	1 rig operating at E-G2, 2 rigs warming up at E-F7 and X-G4
	0800	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28 °F, NW @ 15 mph	3 rigs operating at E-F7, E-G2 and X-G4;
	0900	17	11	8	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	27 °F, NW @ 12 mph	3 rigs operating at E-F7, E-G2 and X-G4;
	1000	12	5	5	7	9	0	0	0	0	0	1	11	28 °F, NW @ 10 mph	3 rigs operating at E-F7, E-F2 and X-H5
	1100	10	14	8	9	11	0	0	1	9	2	3	10	28 °F, NW @ 8 mph	3 rigs operating at E-F8, E-F2 and X-H5;
	1200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	4	30 °F, NW @ 9 mph	No rigs operating
	1300	16	23	16	16	18	9	9	10	10	12	28	23	30 °F, NW @ 12 mph	3 rigs operating at E-F8, E-E2 and X-H5;
	1400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	30 °F, NNW @ 16 mph	3 rigs operating at E-F8, E-E2 and X-E3
	1500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	30 °F, W @ 15 mph	3 rigs operating at X-E3, E-E2 and E-F9
	1600	15	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	9	31 °F, W @ 13 mph	2 rigs operating at E-F9 and E-D2;
	1700	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31 °F, W @ 13 mph	1 rig idling at E-F9, 2 rigs shut down;

# Wells – Electrodes - Cap Installation





# Well Field Surface Build-Out



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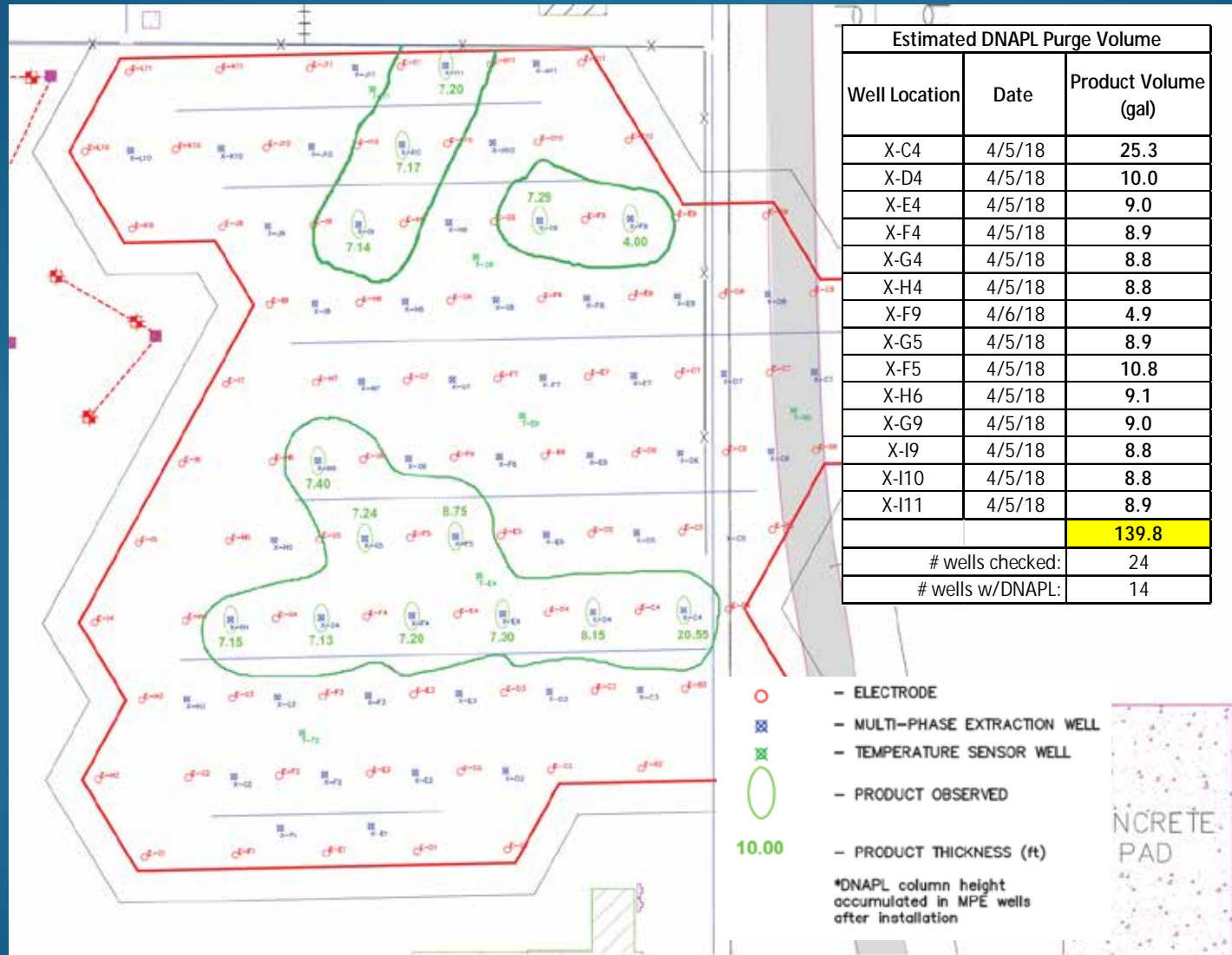


# Construction Complete July 2018





# DNAPL Pumping - MPE Wells

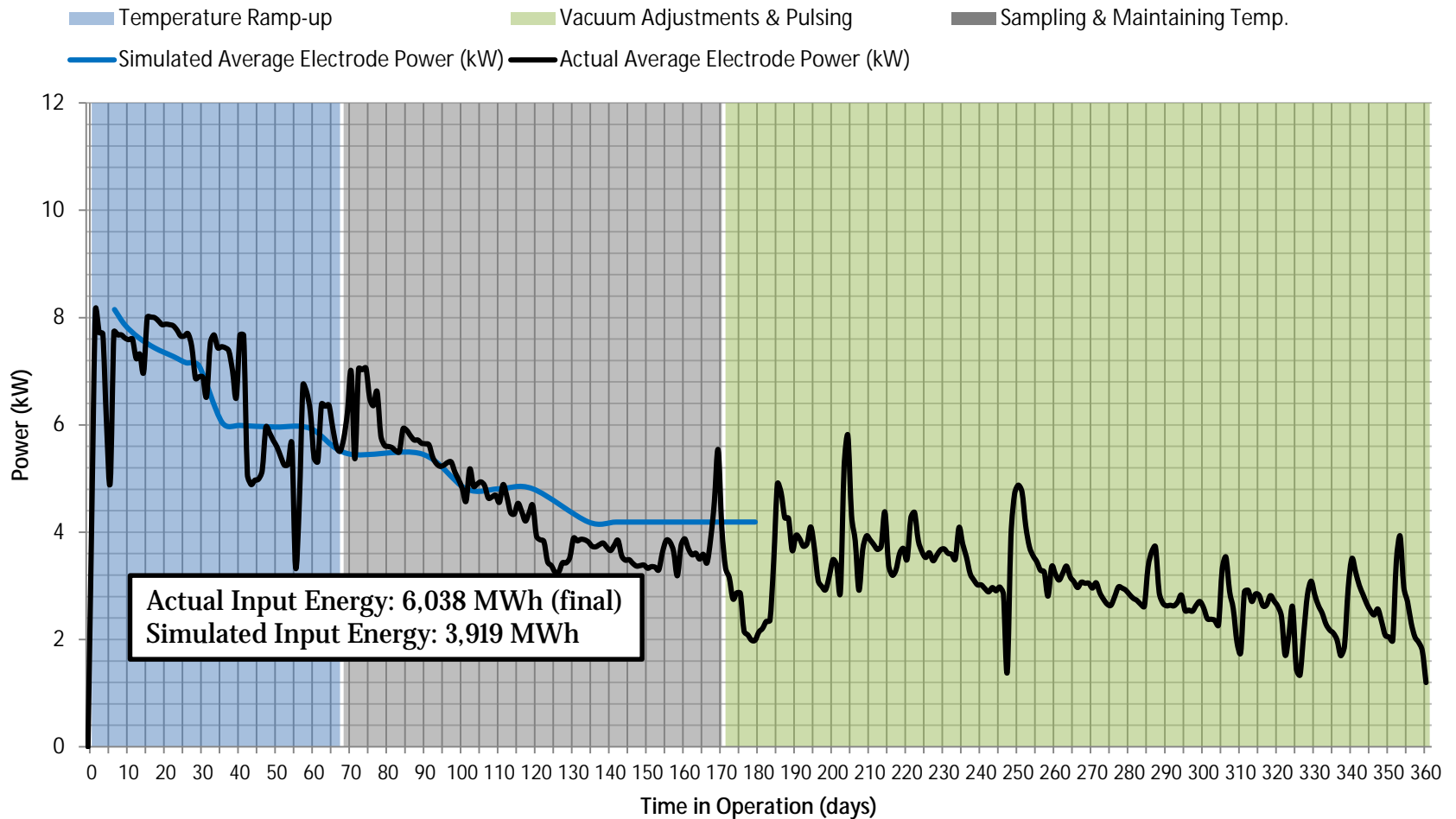


# Operations Aug. 2018 – July 2019



# Thermal Operations

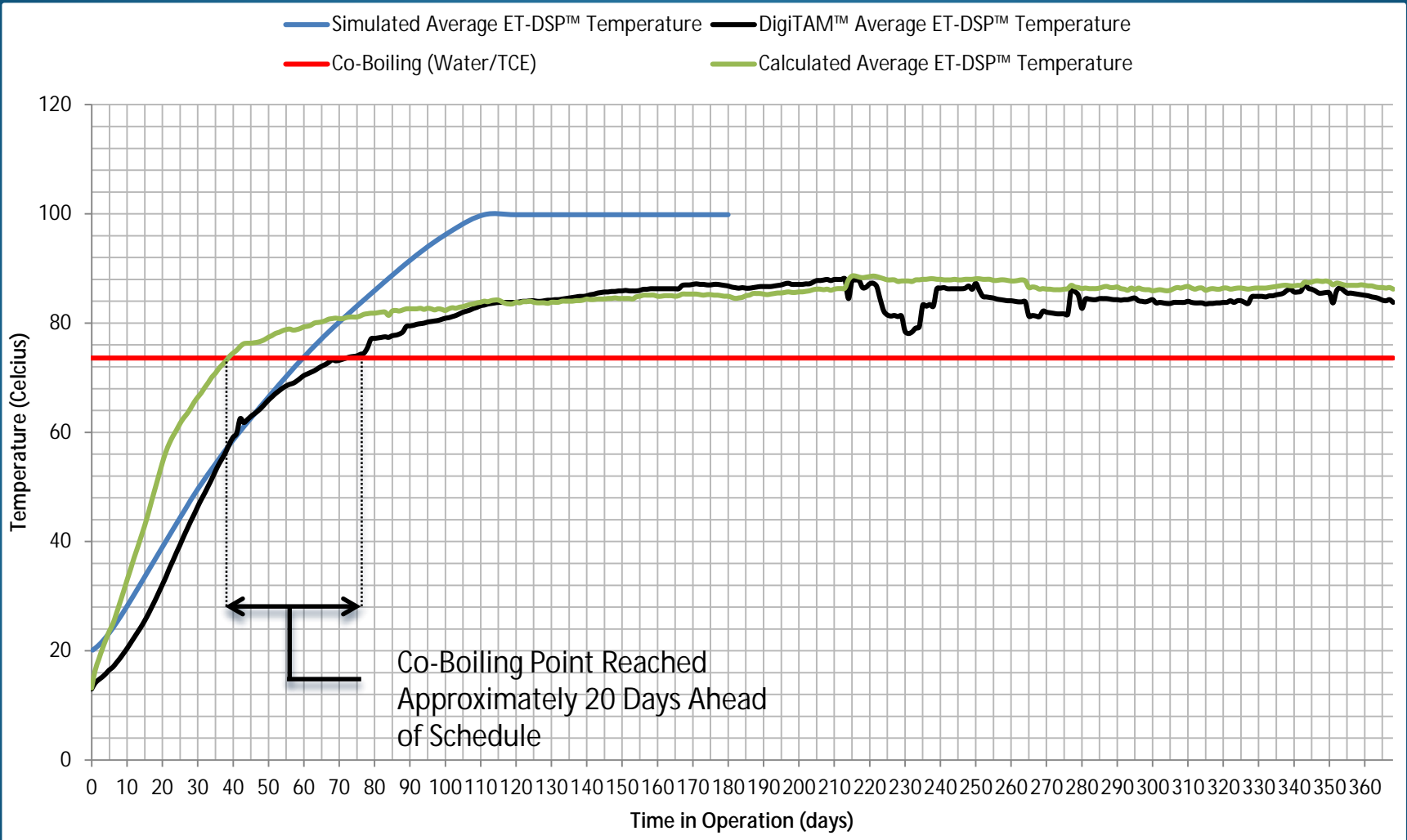
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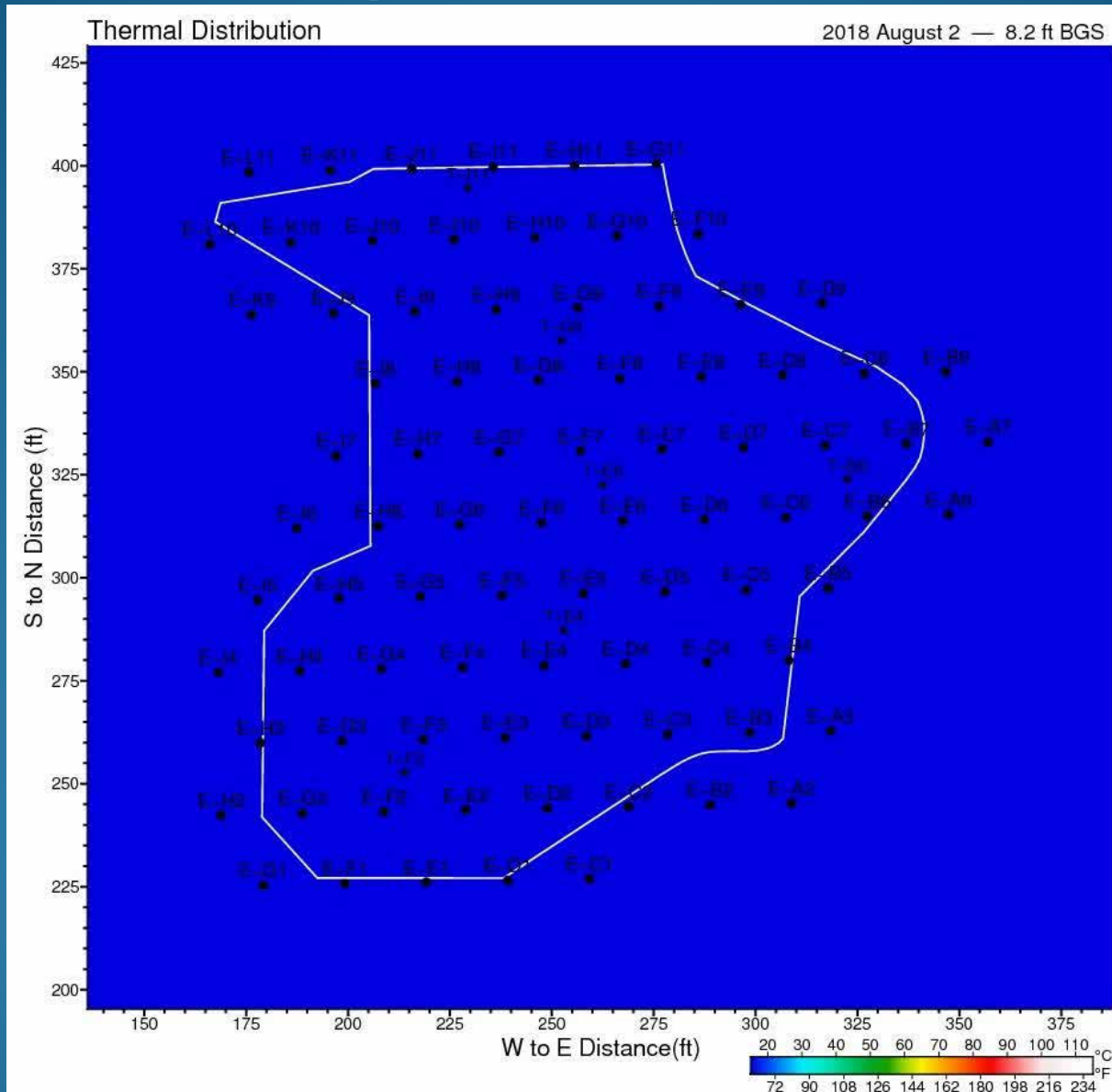


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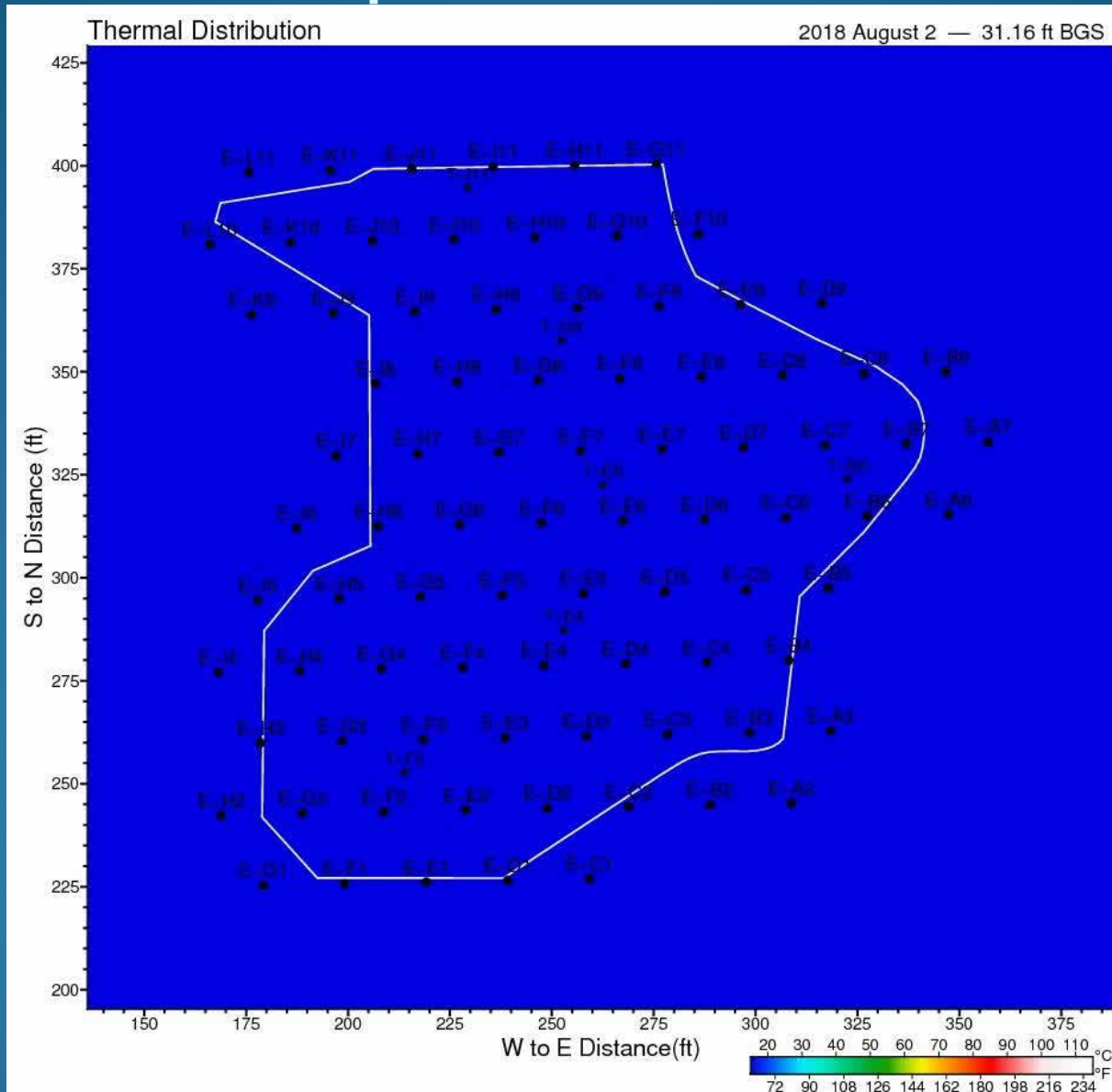
## Temperature Distribution – ET-DSP™



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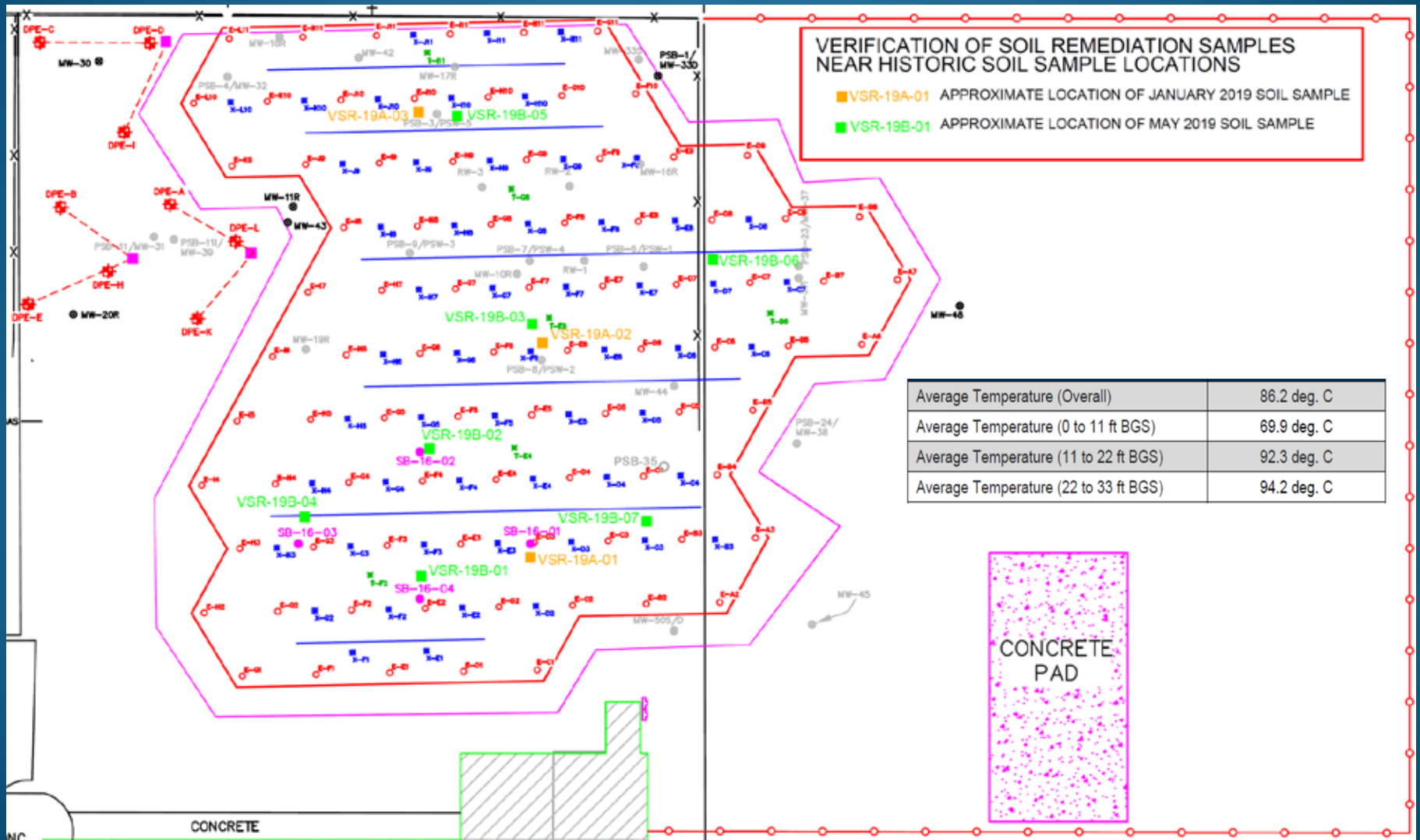




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# VSR Progress Evaluation



# Performance Soil Sampling (after 5 and 9 months of active ISTR)

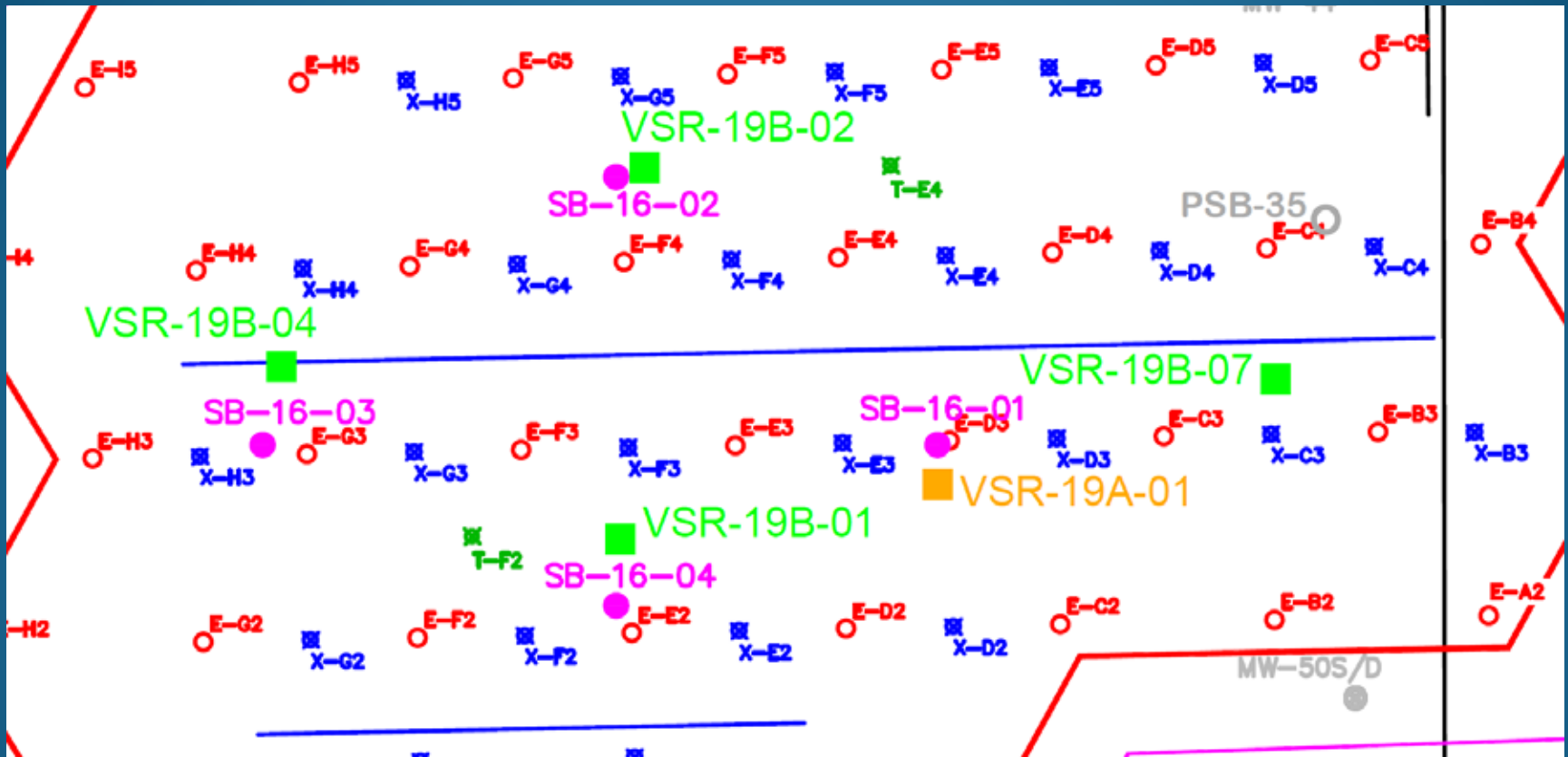




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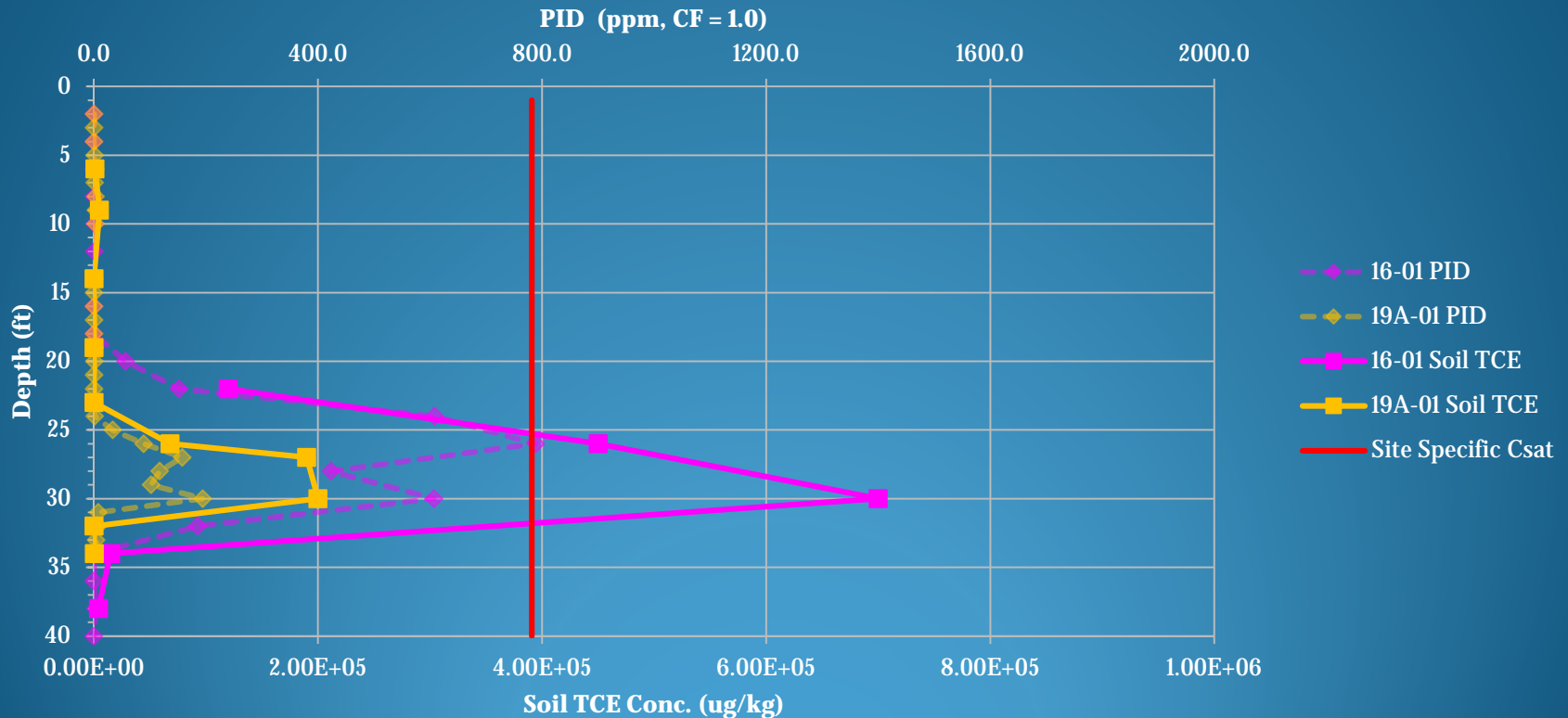


# Southern Mass Reduction Trends



# S. Mass Reduction Trends (5 Mo ISTR)

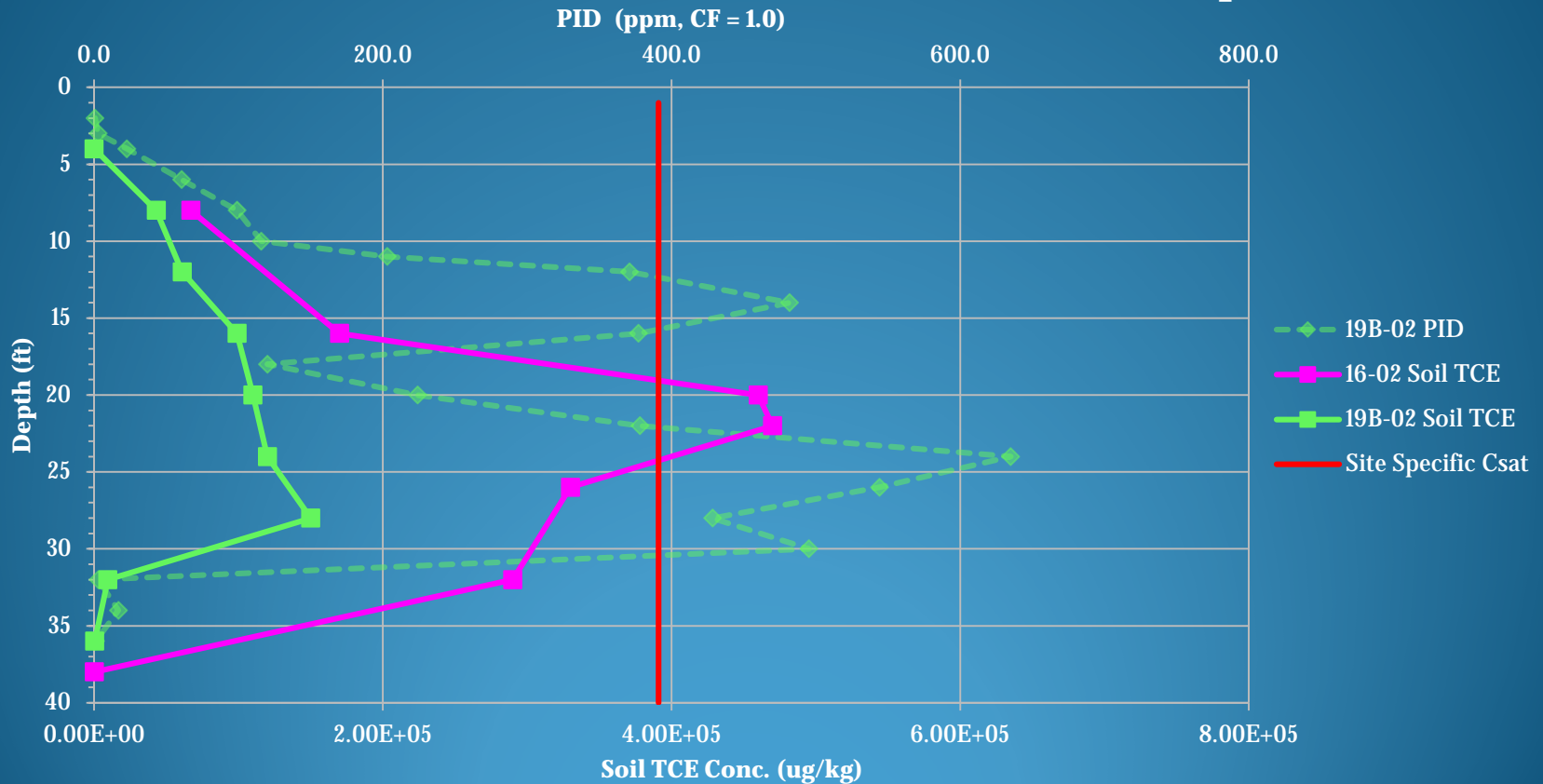
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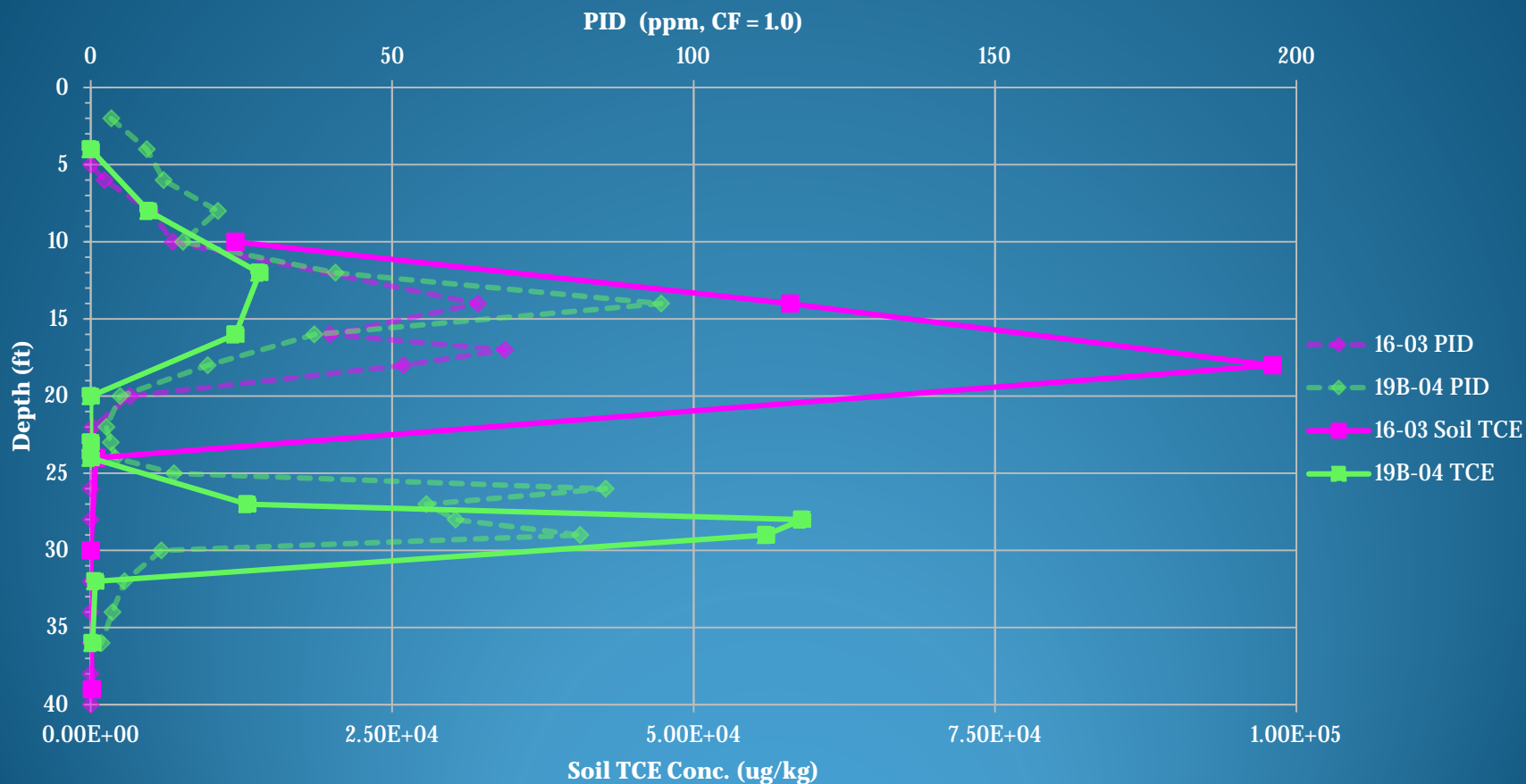
# S. Mass Reduction Trends (9 Mo ISTR)

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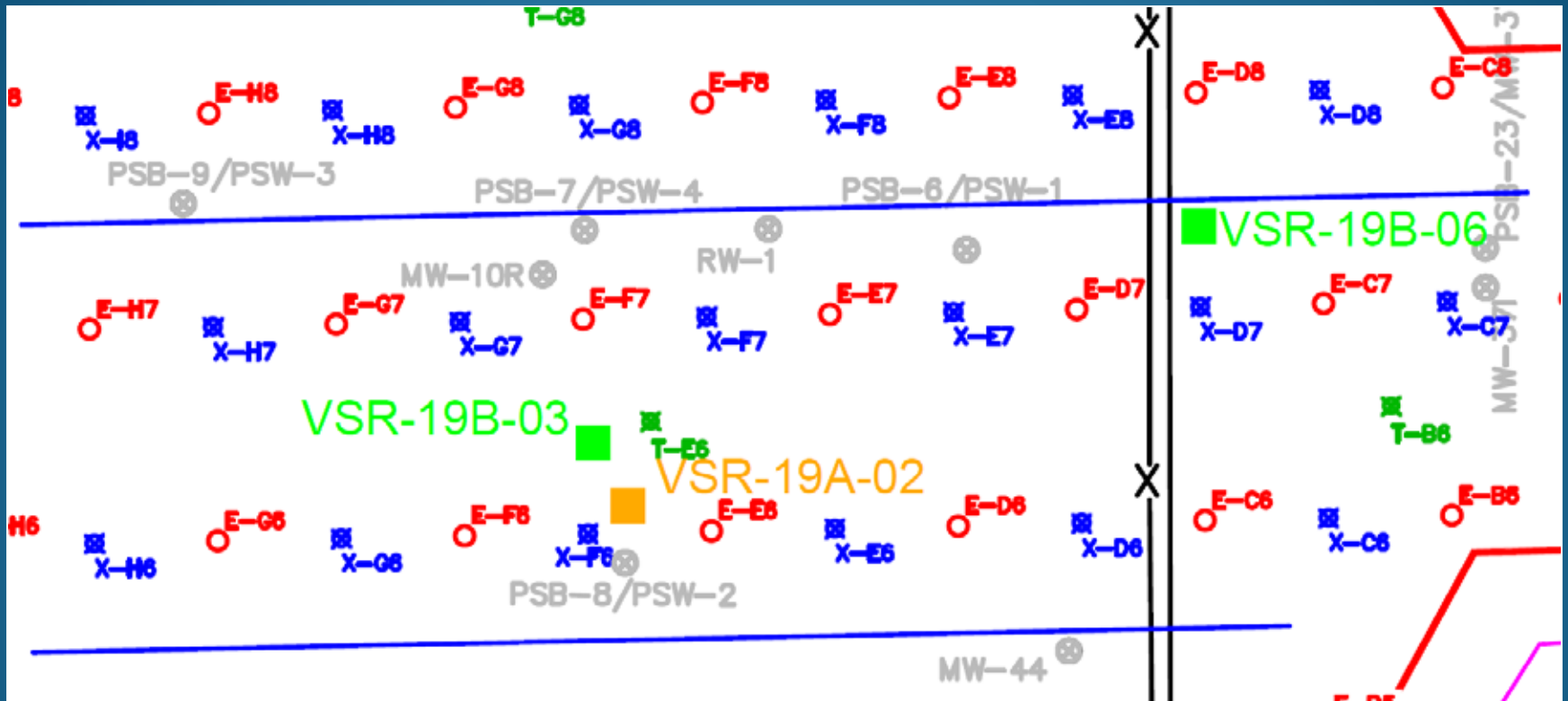


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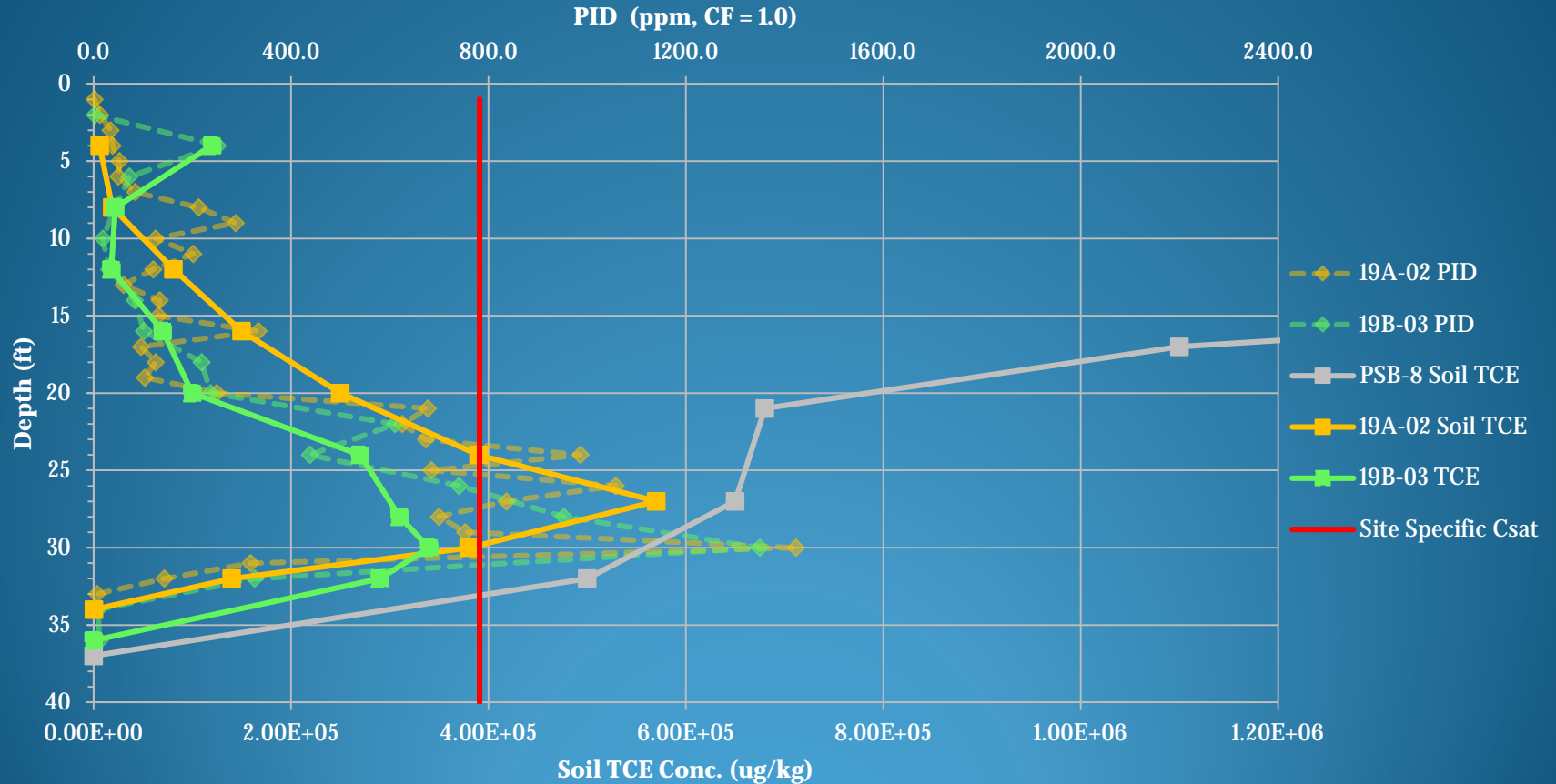
# Central Mass Reduction Trends





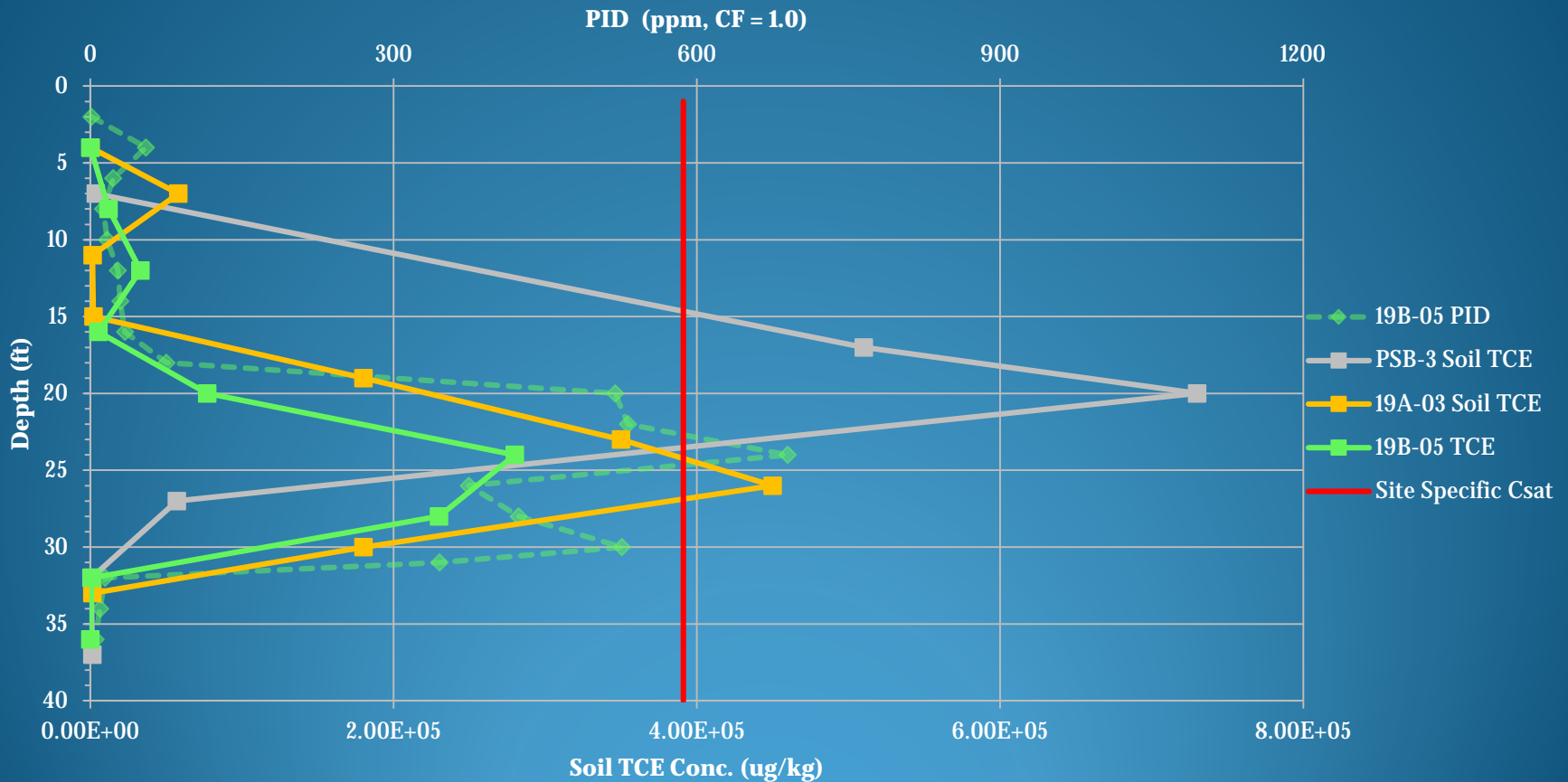
# C. Mass Reduction (5 & 9 Mo ISTR)

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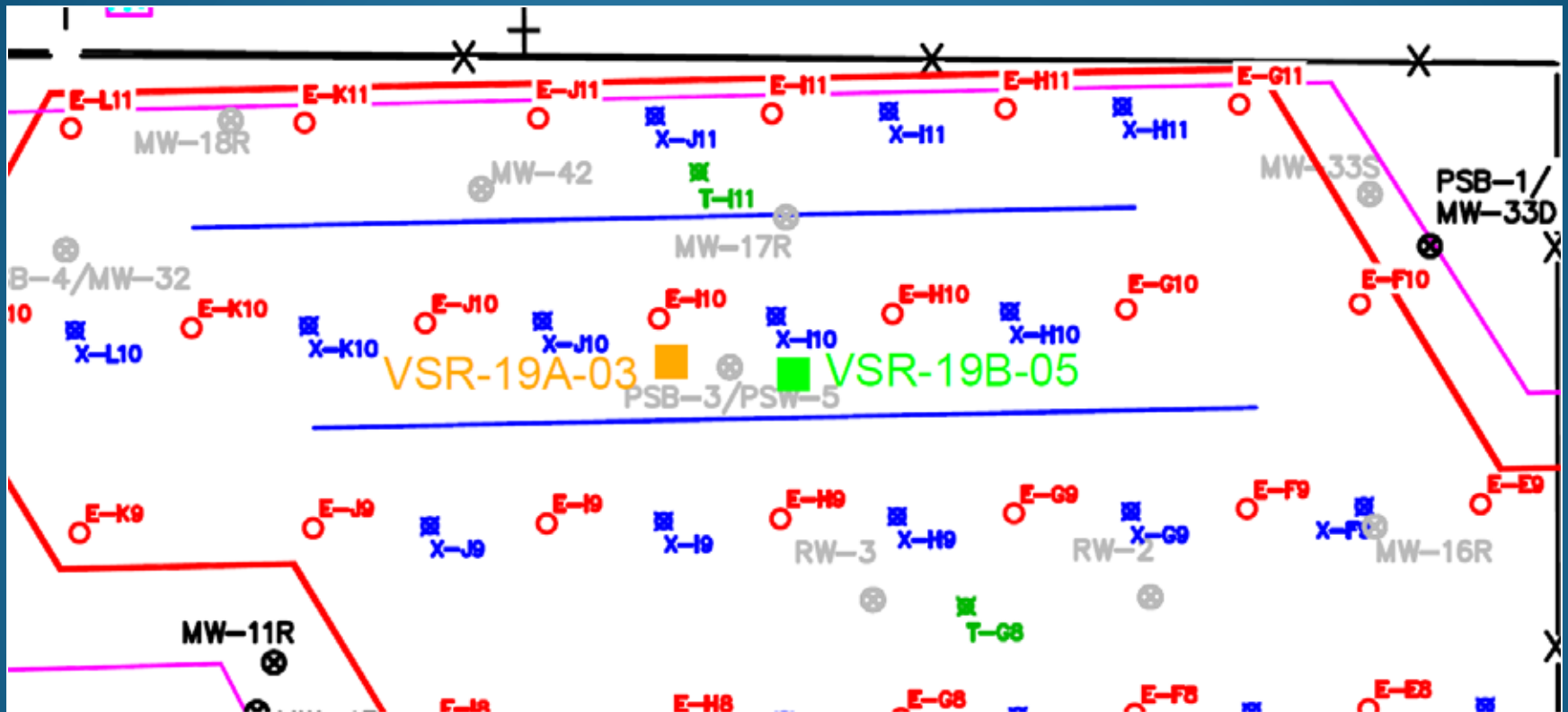


# C. Mass Reduction (5 & 9 Mo ISTR)

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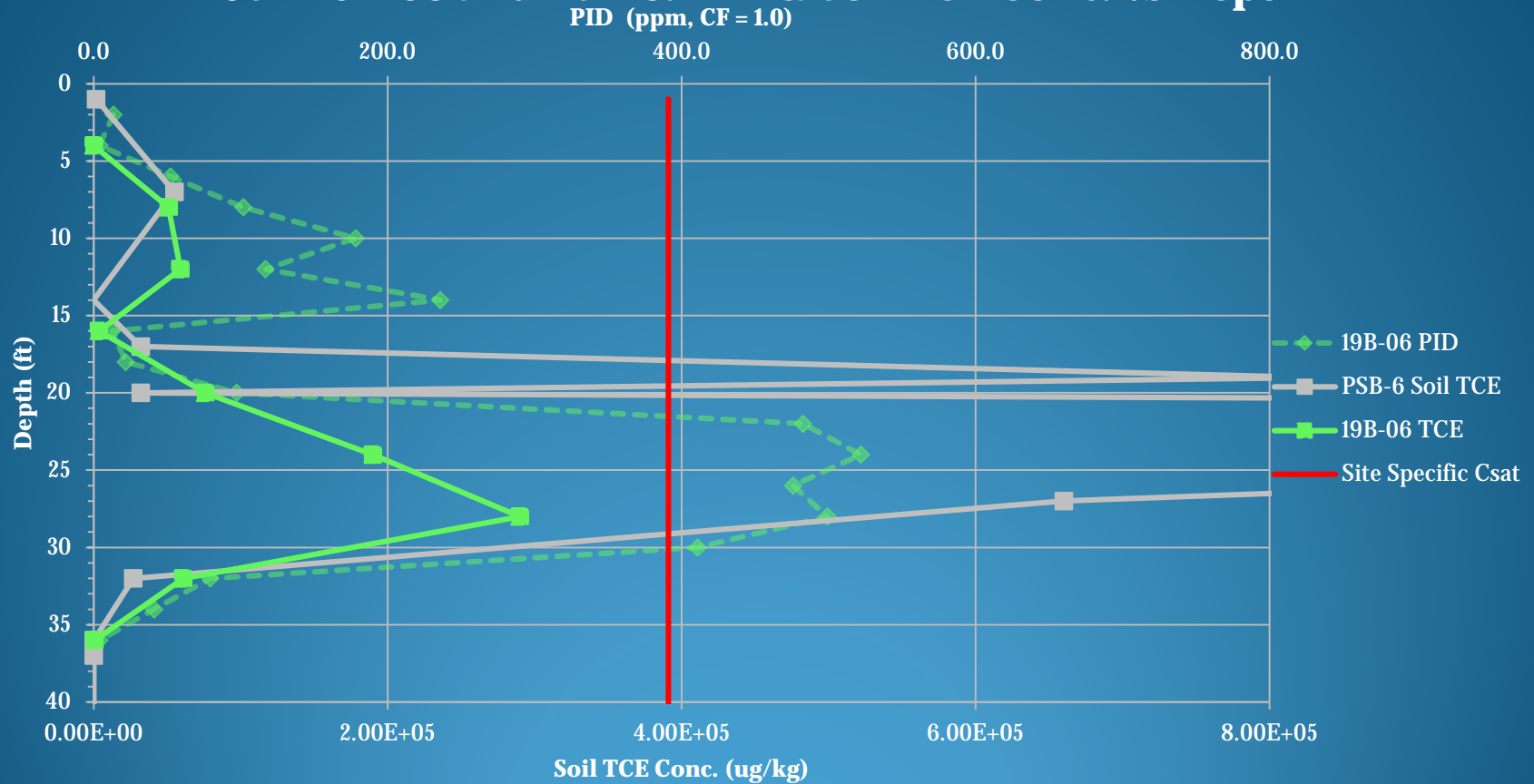
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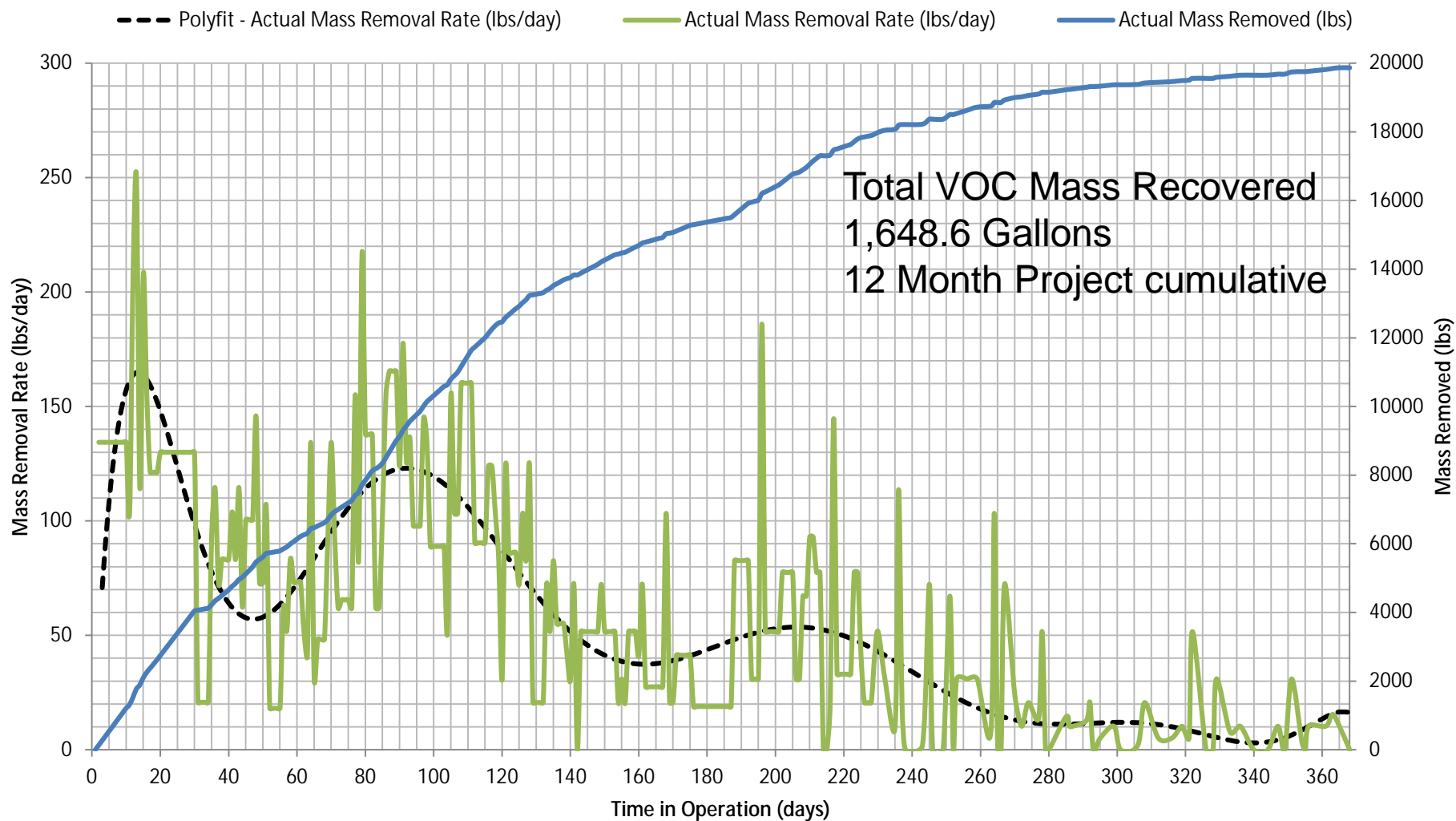


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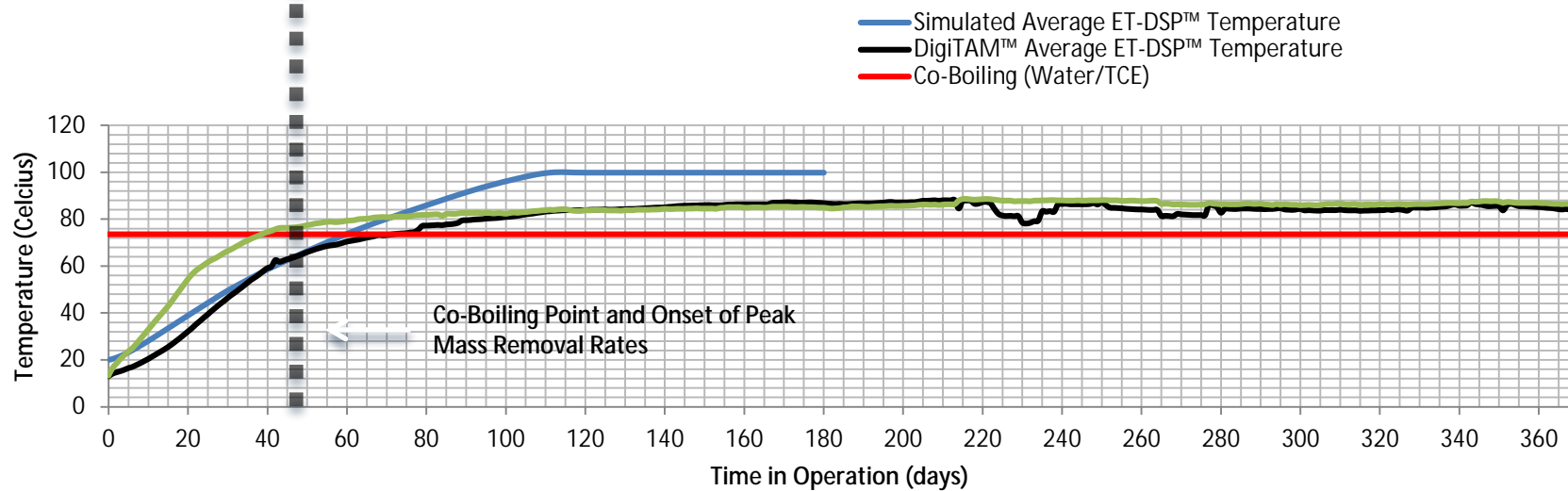
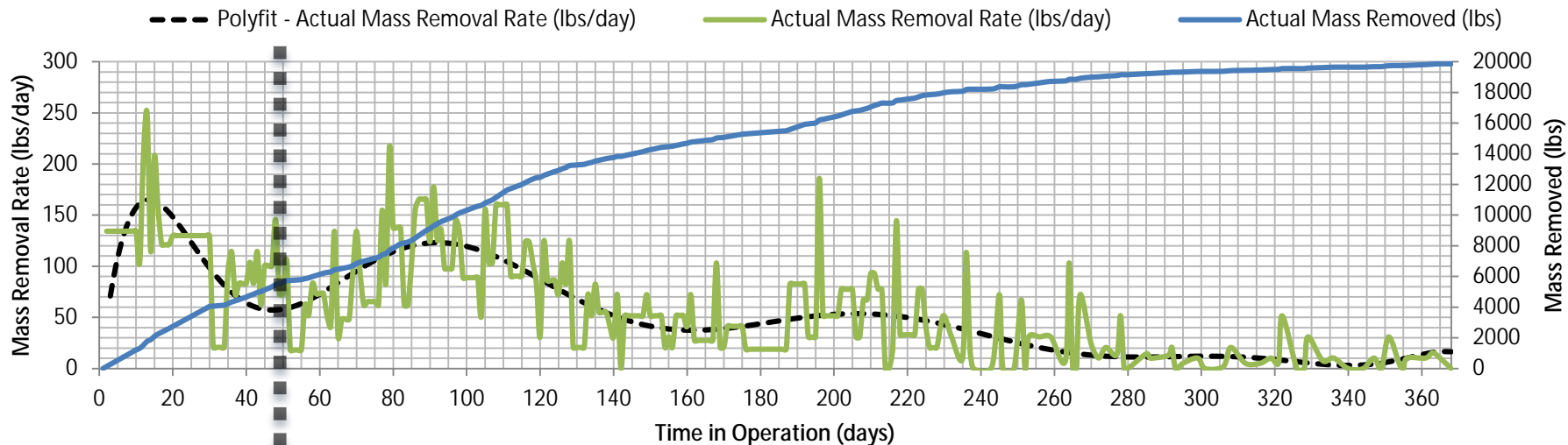
## VSR-19B-06 and PSB-6: PID & Soil TCE Conc. vs Depth



# Mass Removal – ET-DSP™



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# System Shutdown - Post 12 Mo ISTR

- Diminished mass removal no longer justified cost to operate the system
- Electrodes shutdown July 31, 2019
- Vapor extraction and treatment continued until field monitoring indicated minimal VOCs

	8/1/2019	Week of 8/5/19		
	Thurs PM	Mon AM	Wed AM	Thurs AM
<b>Horizontal Extraction:</b>			*	
HX-1	9.5	2.6	0/0.4	0.0
HX-2	11.2	2.5	0/1.0	0.0
HX-3	4.3	2.5	0.1/0.6	0.0
HX-4	9	3.1	0.1/0.6	0.0
HX-5	7	3.1	0/1.5	0.0
HX-6	3	4.3	0/0.9	0.0
<b>Combined Influent</b>	<b>44.5</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10.2</b>

# Grouting Clay Conduit to Surface

- 55 MPE Wells
- 84 Shallow Electrodes
- Temperature Sensors



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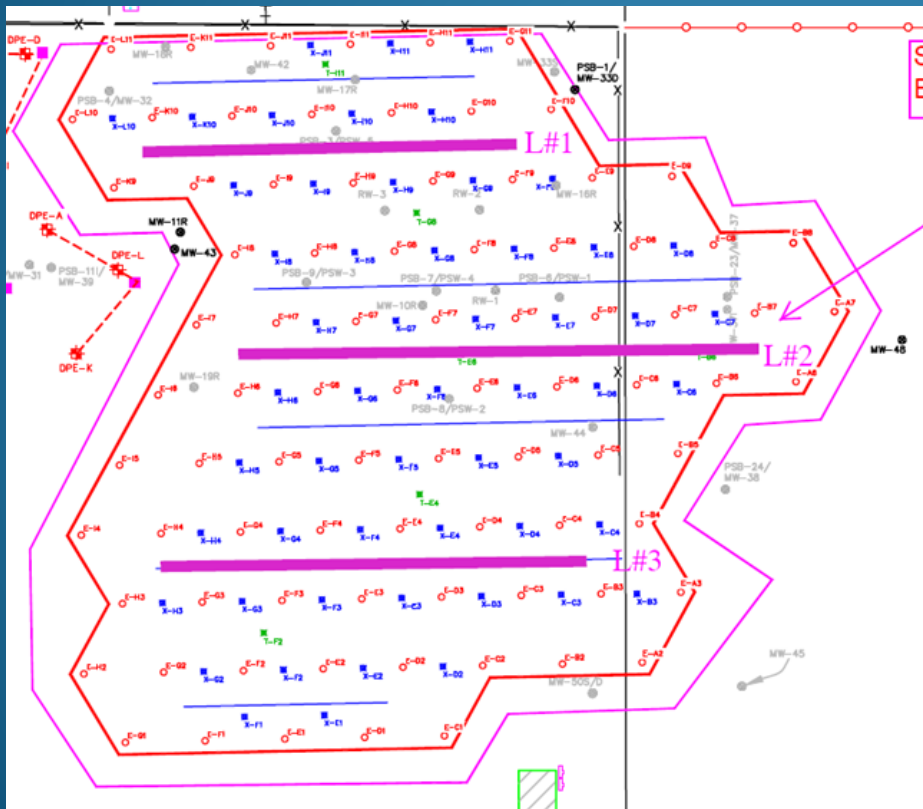
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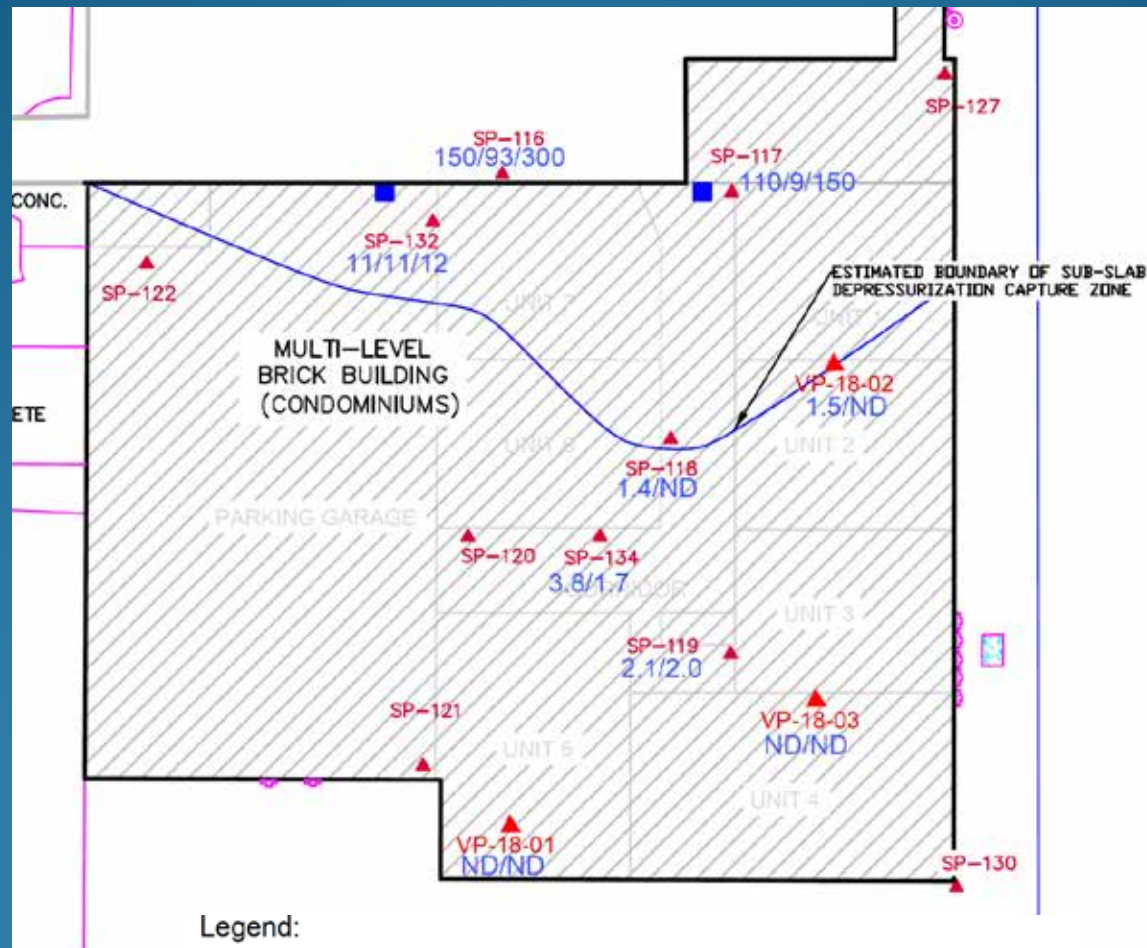
- **Deep high temperatures**
  - **> 150°F – 1 month electrode shutdown**
- Post-remediation soil and groundwater sampling above glacial till is ongoing July 30-31, October 15-16
- Once temperatures normalize treatment verification sampling of the deep glacial till will be conducted.  
December 2019?



# Vadose Zone Soil – GW Sampling In Process (October 15 – 16, 2019)



# Pressure Field Extension/S.G. Results



Legend:

- ▲ VP-18-01 Sub-slab soil gas sampling location with TCE concentrations in  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$   
ND/ND July 2018/December 2018/July 2019 or July 2018/July 2019
- Sub-slab depressurization extraction point (installed 2015)

# Site Restoration September & October





# YTD Removal Evaluation (ISTR)

- Subsurface NAPL Mass (Calculated Estimate)
  - 1750 – 1950 Gallons
- NAPL Mass Removed over 12 Months via ISTR
  - 1648 Gallons
- NAPL Removal Estimate 84% - 94%
- Limiting Factors:
  - Pore entry pressure adds to atmospheric pressure and hydrostatic pressure, thereby raising the temperature that must be achieved before TCE/water vapor mixture can move through available throats o the soil pore space.
  - The only remaining TCE migration mechanism is BY molecular diffusion.



# Post ISTR Polishing Step - ISCR

- Zero valent iron (ZVI) injection via emplaced fractures
  - § Hydraulic fracturing on 1 meter spacing was assessed was requiring that contact with chemical reductant between fracture intervals is molecular diffusion driven
- Based on the nature of the diamicton, we calculated ½ meter molecular diffusion transport time estimates
- Assumptions:
  - § Representative 1m<sup>3</sup> Diamicton Volume
  - § Estimated time for TCE impacted GW to travel from center of this diamicton volume to injectate contact surface ½ meter away
  - § Estimated concentration remaining in groundwater is 5.0 g TCE/m<sup>3</sup>

# Post ISTR Polishing Step Evaluation

## Fick's law:

$$\text{Mass Flux Rate} = -\Delta dc/dx$$

Where:

- $\Delta = 5 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  [diffusion coefficient, representative of adsorptive constituents in clay soil]
- $dc/dx = (\text{change in concentration})/(\text{change in distance})$  [estimate, assumed constant] =

$$\frac{\left(5.0 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^3} - 0 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^3}\right)}{0.5\text{m}} = 10.0 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^4}$$

$$\text{Average flux rate} = 5 \times 10^{-12} \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}} \times 10.0 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^4} = 5 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^2\text{s}}$$

Mass loss rate [e.g. representative of 1 m<sup>3</sup> soil] = flux rate x flux area:

$$5 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{g}}{\text{m}^2\text{s}} \times 2 \text{ m}^2 \times 86,400 \frac{\text{seconds}}{\text{day}} = 8.64 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{g}}{\text{d}}$$

$$\text{Molecular Diffusion Time Period} = \frac{\text{target mass removal}}{\text{mass loss rate}} = \frac{1.0 \text{ g} - 0.0 \text{ g}}{8.64 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{g}}{\text{d}}} = 115,740 \text{ days} =$$

317 years

# *THANK YOU & QUESTIONS*

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