

An aerial photograph showing a winding river, likely the Mississippi River, flowing through a landscape. The river is highlighted with a blue line. The surrounding area appears to be a mix of land and water, with some structures visible on the left bank. The text "Tetra Tech & EPA Region 5" and "May 24, 2016" is overlaid on the top left of the image.

# Tetra Tech & EPA Region 5

May 24, 2016

# Outline

- Project Introduction
- Site History
- Goals of the Investigation/project
- High Resolution Site Characterization
- Investigation Results
- Next Steps for 2017

# Project Introduction – Site Location



# Site History

A Former Specialty Organic Chemical Production Facility that operated from about 1957 to 1985.

- Manufactured:
  - Pharmaceutical Intermediates
  - Veterinary Medicines
  - Agricultural Chemicals
  - Herbicides
  - Dyestuffs, and Others.



# Site History



Waste by-products from the chemical manufacturing processes were placed in unlined lagoons or stored in drums on the property.

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## Principal Contaminants of Concern

- Vinyl Chloride
- Tetrachloroethene (PCE)
- Trichloroethene (TCE)
- Toluene
- Benzene
- 1,1-Dichloroethene (1,1-DCE)
- 1,2 Dichloroethane (1,2-DCA)
- 1,1,1-Trichloroethane

# Site History

Site divided into 3 operable units (OU)

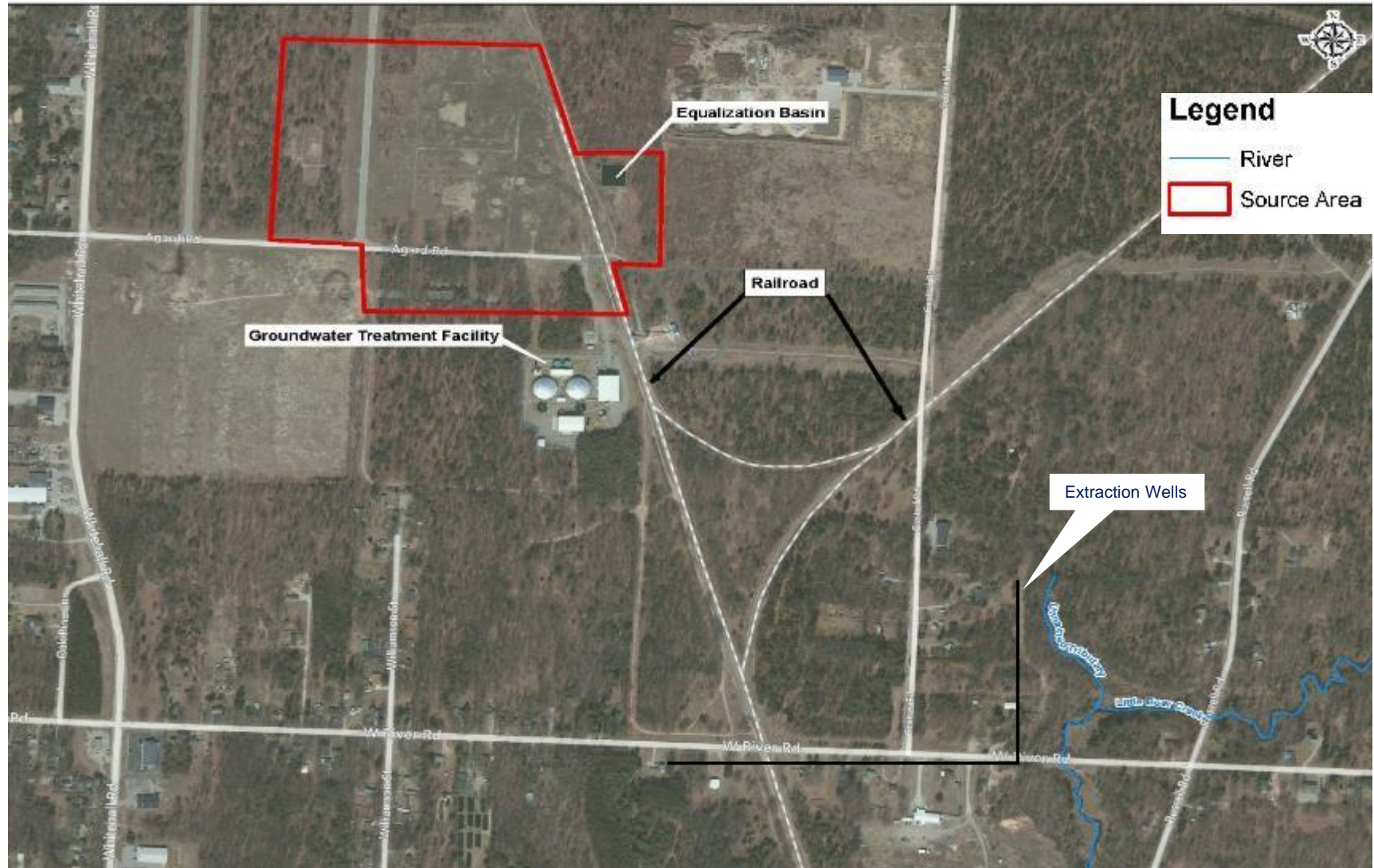
## OU1 (ROD signed 1989)

- Installation of 11 extraction wells to protect downgradient stream and to restore the aquifer to drinking water quality

## OU2 (ROD signed 1990)

- Construction and operation of Groundwater Treatment Facility (GWTF) and extraction wells
- 1996 GWTF started treating contaminated groundwater
- Collect quarterly groundwater samples

# Site History – Site Layout





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## OU3 (ROD signed 1993, amended 1999)

- Primary remedial goal was to reduce downward migration of contaminants in soils and reduce human health and the environment associated with exposure to contaminated soils
- Excavated and disposed offsite approximately 16,000 tons of soil in the source area to just above shallow groundwater depths (approximately 4-5 feet)
- Demolished unusable structures
- Collected confirmatory samples after excavation



# Site History

Area of Concern	Contaminant	Concentration (µg/g)	MDLQ Cleanup Criteria	Depth (ft/lgs)
<b>Excavation Area A</b>				
	Tetrachloroethene	5,300	100	5
<b>Excavation Area B</b>				
	Perchloroethene	4,000	1,900	5
	Tetrachloroethene	750	100	5
<b>Excavation Area C</b>				
	Carbon Tetrachloride	120	100	5 and 2
	Tetrachloroethene	920	100	2
<b>Excavation Area F</b>				
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	21,000	14,000	6
	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	250	400	0.2
	1,4-Dichlorobenzene	2,300	1,700	6
	Styrene	2,300	1,300	6
	Benzene Vapor	150,000	1,300	4.5
	Acrylonitrile	11,000	5,500	6
	Acrylonitrile	89,000	5,500	6
	Tetrachloroethene	2,300	100	4.5
	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	5,400	5,500	1.5
<b>Excavation Area G3</b>				
	Acrylonitrile	70	38	3
<b>Excavation Area I</b>				
	Acrylonitrile	550	38	6
	Benzene	520	100	3
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	460	110	3
	Tetrachloroethene	330	100	6
<b>Excavation Area J</b>				
	Perchloroethene	1,900	1,900	unknown
	Tetrachloroethene	2,400	100	unknown
<b>Excavation Area K</b>				
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	1,300	100	2
	Perchloroethene	4,300	1,800	3-6
	Tetrachloroethene	7,400	100	2
	Trichloroethene	130	100	2
<b>Excavation Area L</b>				
	Tetrachloroethene	1,300	100	2
<b>Excavation Area R1</b>				
	Tetrachloroethene	450	100	2.5
<b>Excavation Area R2</b>				
	Acrylonitrile	14,000	100	2
	Carbon Tetrachloride	6,000	100	2
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	9,800	100	2
	Tetrachloroethene	2,000	100	2
	Trichloroethene	350	100	2
	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	7,500	4,500	2
	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	13,000	100	2
	Total Xylenes	17,600	5,500	2
<b>Sewer Near Excavation Area I &amp; K</b>				
	Benzene	15,000	100	2
	Carbon Tetrachloride	6,000	100	2
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	9,800	100	2
	Tetrachloroethene	2,000	100	2
	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	7,500	4,500	2
	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	13,000	100	2
	Trichloroethene	350	100	2
	Total Xylenes	17,600	5,500	2
<b>Sewer Near Excavation Area A</b>				
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	550	100	5
	Tetrachloroethene	550	100	5
<b>Sewer Near Excavation Area F</b>				
	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	820	400	6.5
	1,4-Dichlorobenzene	1,900	1,700	4
	Benzene Vapor	82,000	1,300	6
	Tetrachloroethene	1,900	100	6.5
	1,1,1-Trichloroethane	170	100	6.5
	1,2,4-Trinitrobenzene	3,500	2,300	6.5
	1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene	4,300	1,800	6.5
	Total Xylenes	13,700	5,500	6.5
<b>Sp-Product Storage Area</b>				
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	280	100	surface
	Tetrachloroethene	1,300	100	surface



Area of Concern	Contaminant	Concentration (µg/g)	MDLQ Cleanup Criteria	Depth (ft/lgs)
<b>Former Drum Storage Area South of Fence</b>				
	Benzene Vapor	63,000	1,300	2
	Tetrachloroethene	110	100	2
<b>Yellow Soil Area</b>				
	Benzene	520	100	2
	Carbon Tetrachloride	1,600	100	2
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	14,000	100	2
	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	4,600	100	2
<b>Building 601 &amp; 602 (Area around Excavation Area C, J, L and K)</b>				
	Carbon tetrachloride	190	100	surface
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	410	100	surface
	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	26,000	1,300	surface
	Tetrachloroethene	22,000	100	surface
	1,1,2-Trichloroethane	660	100	surface
	Total Xylenes	14,800	5,500	surface
<b>Former Building 603</b>				
	Tetrachloroethene	110	100	surface
<b>Former Building 604</b>				
	1,2-Dichlorobenzene	900,000	14,000	2
	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	6,400	400	2
	1,4-Dichlorobenzene	150,000	1,700	2
	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	9,300	4,200	2
	Benzene Vapor	9,900	1,300	2
	Tetrachloroethene	500	100	2
<b>Laboratory/Maintenance Building</b>				
	Carbon tetrachloride	1,000	100	surface
	Perchloroethene	11,000	1,800	surface
	Tetrachloroethene	4,400	100	surface



# Environmental Issues/Goals of Investigation

- Characterize the nature and extent of contamination of the source area and downgradient areas
- Evaluate whether sources exist that may continue to impact the effectiveness of the site remedy
- Review and assess potential additional remedial technologies

# Where to Start?

- Reviewed Over 20 Years of Data
  - Site Geology
  - Analytical Data
- Conducted 3D Visualization and Analysis
- Determined Data Gaps
- Conduct High Resolution Site Characterization (HRSC) to resolve data gaps
- Conduct 3D Visualization and Analysis (3DVA) to determine nature and extent of contamination

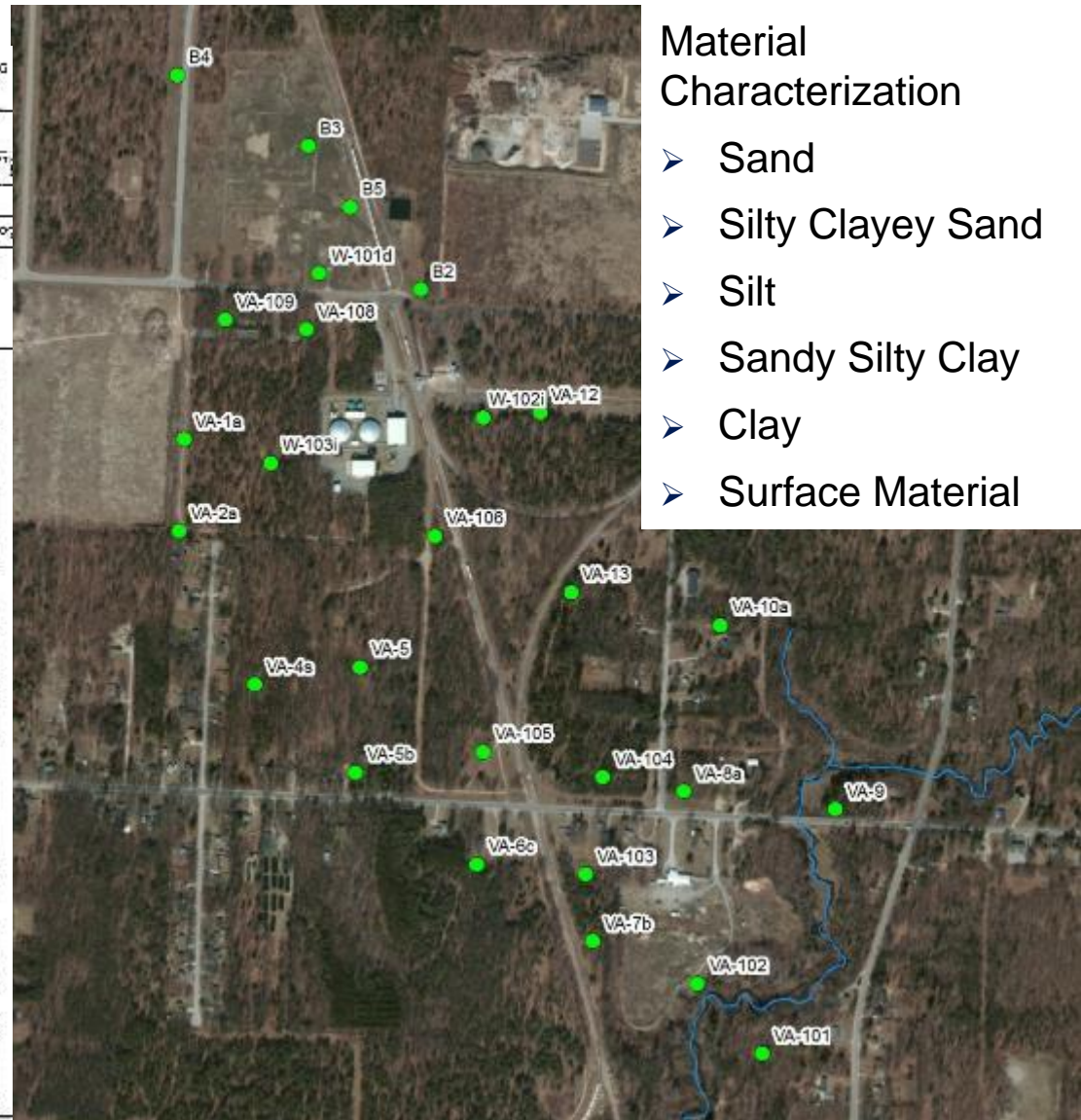
# Review of Historical Data - Site Geology

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PROJECT LOCATION Wobegon, Michigan										COORDINATES										ELEVATION 606.97 (MSL)										TOTAL DEPTH 175.5									
SPECIAL NOTES Open field area SE of plant.										DESIGNED BY R. Harlet										APPROVED BY M. Herzog																			
SAMPLE TYPE	SAMPLE SIZE	SAMPLE NUMBER	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET	DEPTH IN FEET																				
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SPT	12	9	19	22	41	20"																																	
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SPT	17	13	21	27	48	23"																																	
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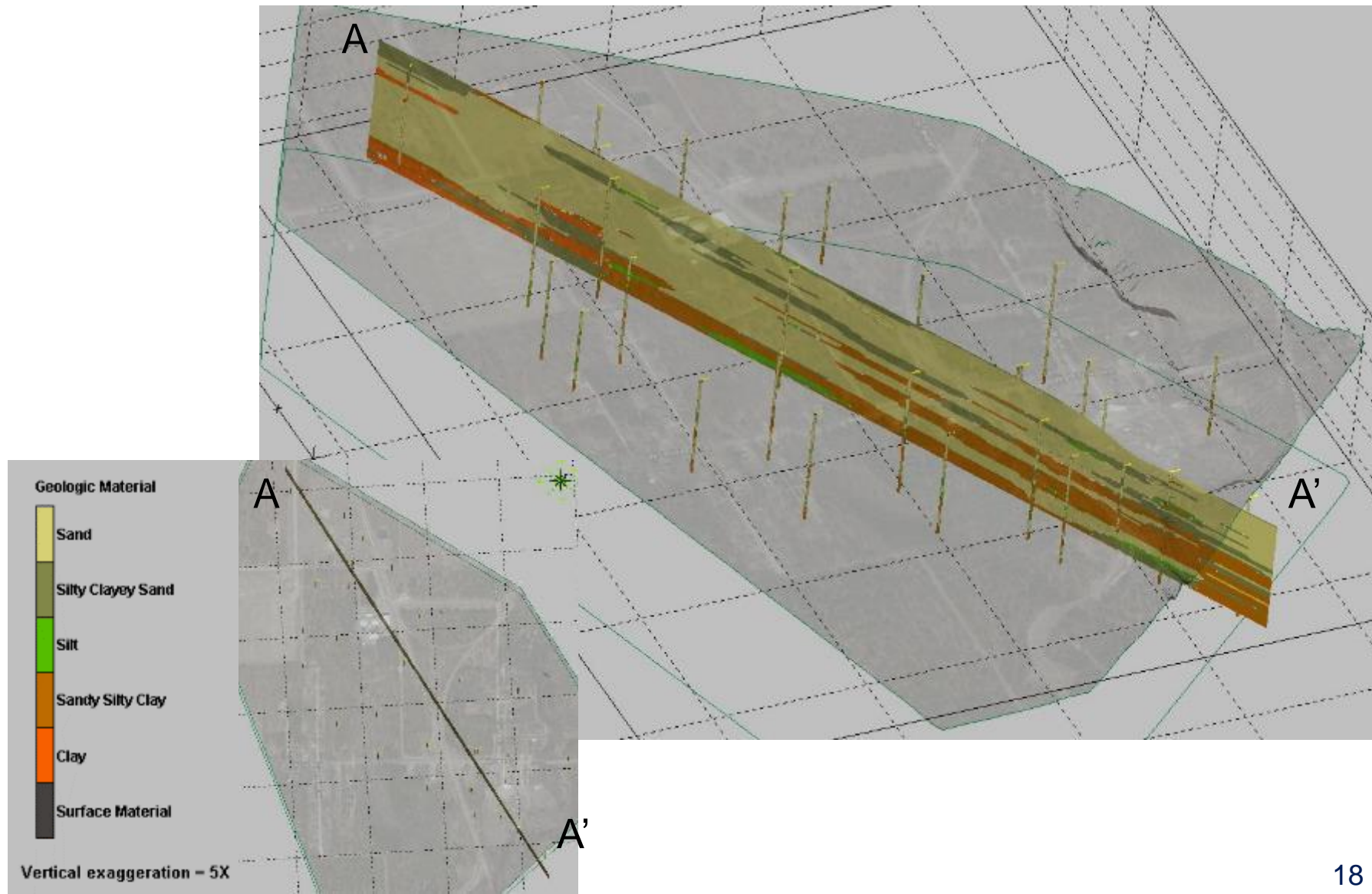


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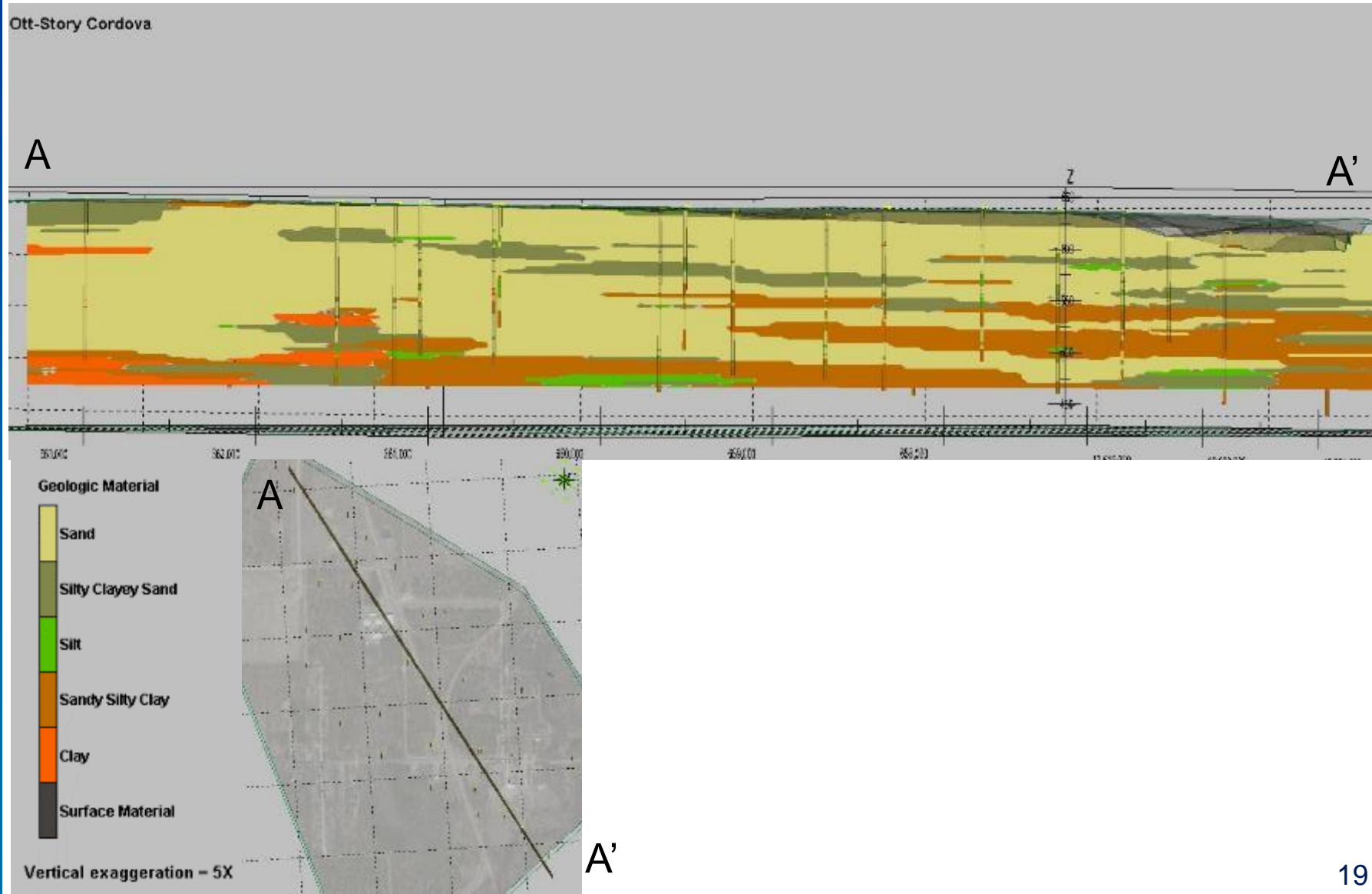
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- Silt
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- Clay
- Surface Material



# Review of Historical Data – 3DVA



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# High Resolutions Site Characterization

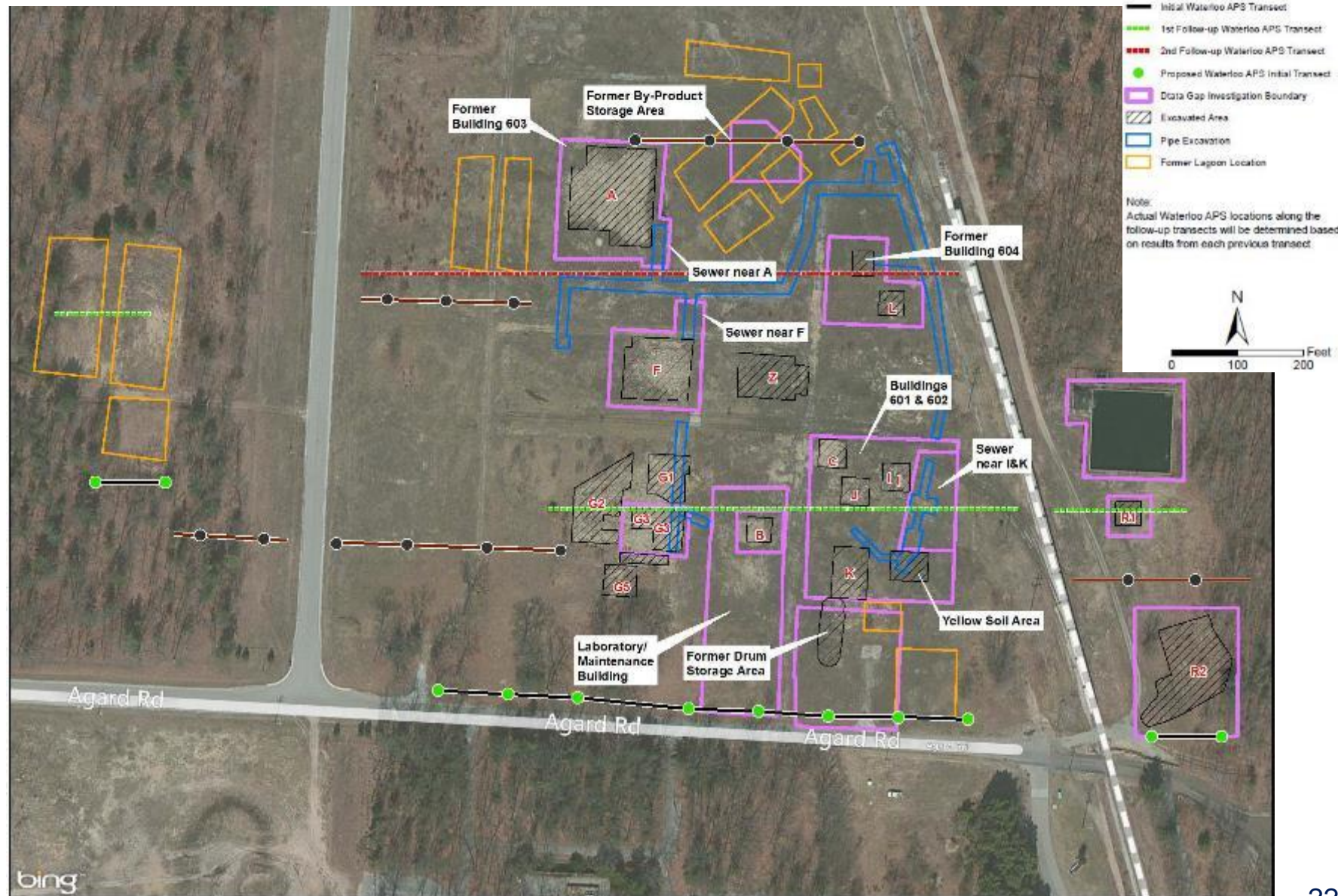
## Design Site Investigation

- Initial Investigation Focused on Source Area
- Transect based approach
- MIP (Membrane Interface Probe)
- Waterloo APS (Continuous Vertical Profile)
- Onsite Mobile Laboratory
- Real- Time Decisions
- 3D Visualization and Analysis

## Field investigation performed in three phases:

- Phase I – Fall 2014 (MIP and Waterloo)
- Phase II – Summer 2015 (Additional Waterloo)
- Phase III – Spring 2016 (Deep VAS)

# Source Area Investigation



# Phase I and II Investigation Summary

- Conducted MIP at 13 locations to primarily set edges of Waterloo transects
- Conducted Waterloo profiling at 52 locations collecting over 1,000 groundwater samples and generating 52 continuous Index of Hydraulic Conductivity (relative IK) geologic logs
- Analyzed all groundwater samples with an on-site mobile laboratory



# Phase I and II Investigation Summary

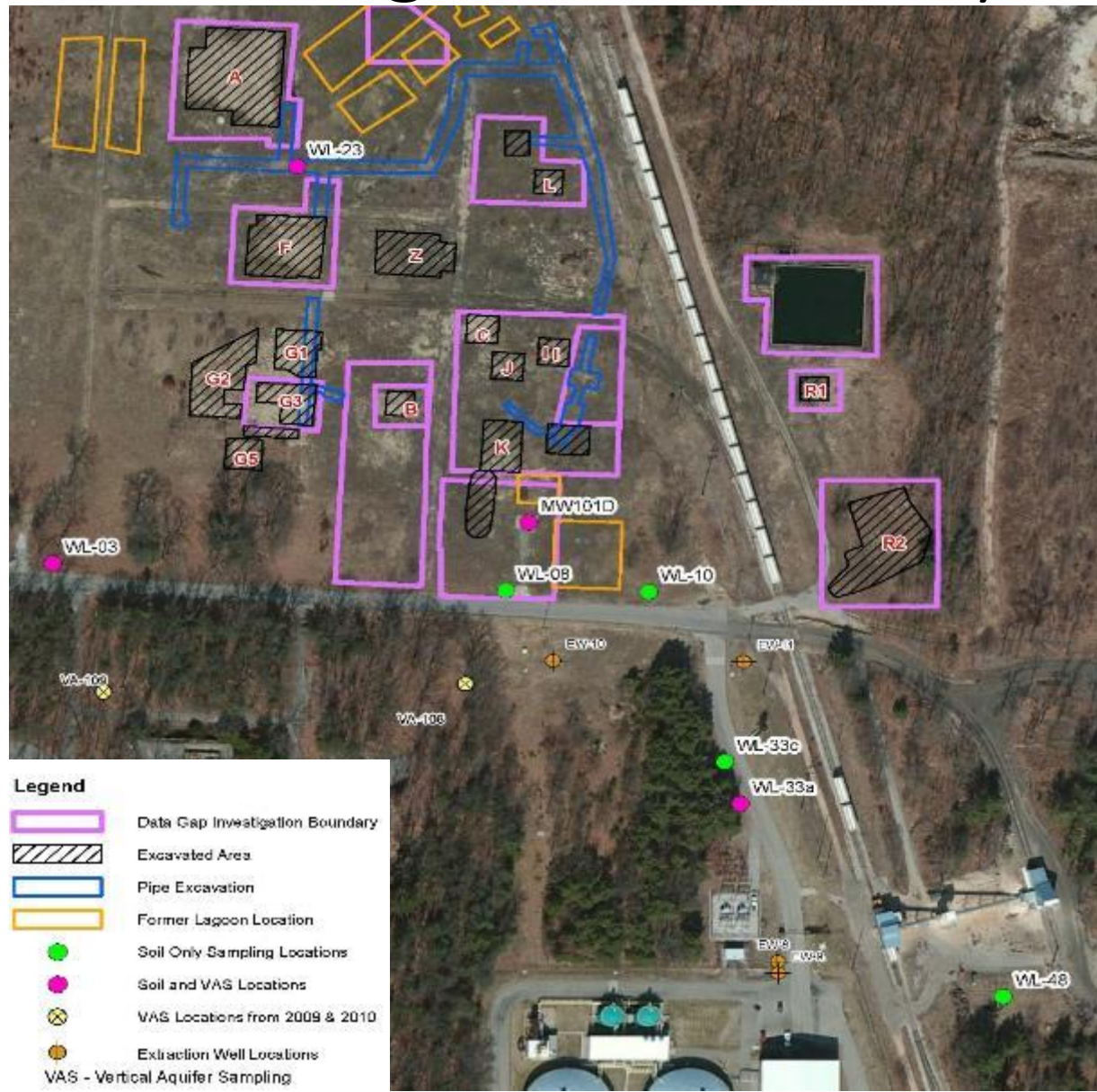


# Phase III Investigation Summary

- Paired up with 4 Waterloo boring locations to conduct deeper VAS using sonic drilling and packer sampling to collect soil and groundwater samples from discrete depths
- Collected soil samples at discrete depths at 4 additional Waterloo boring locations
- Conducted field screening for NAPL using visual observations, PID, and field test kits (Oil-in-Soil shake tests)



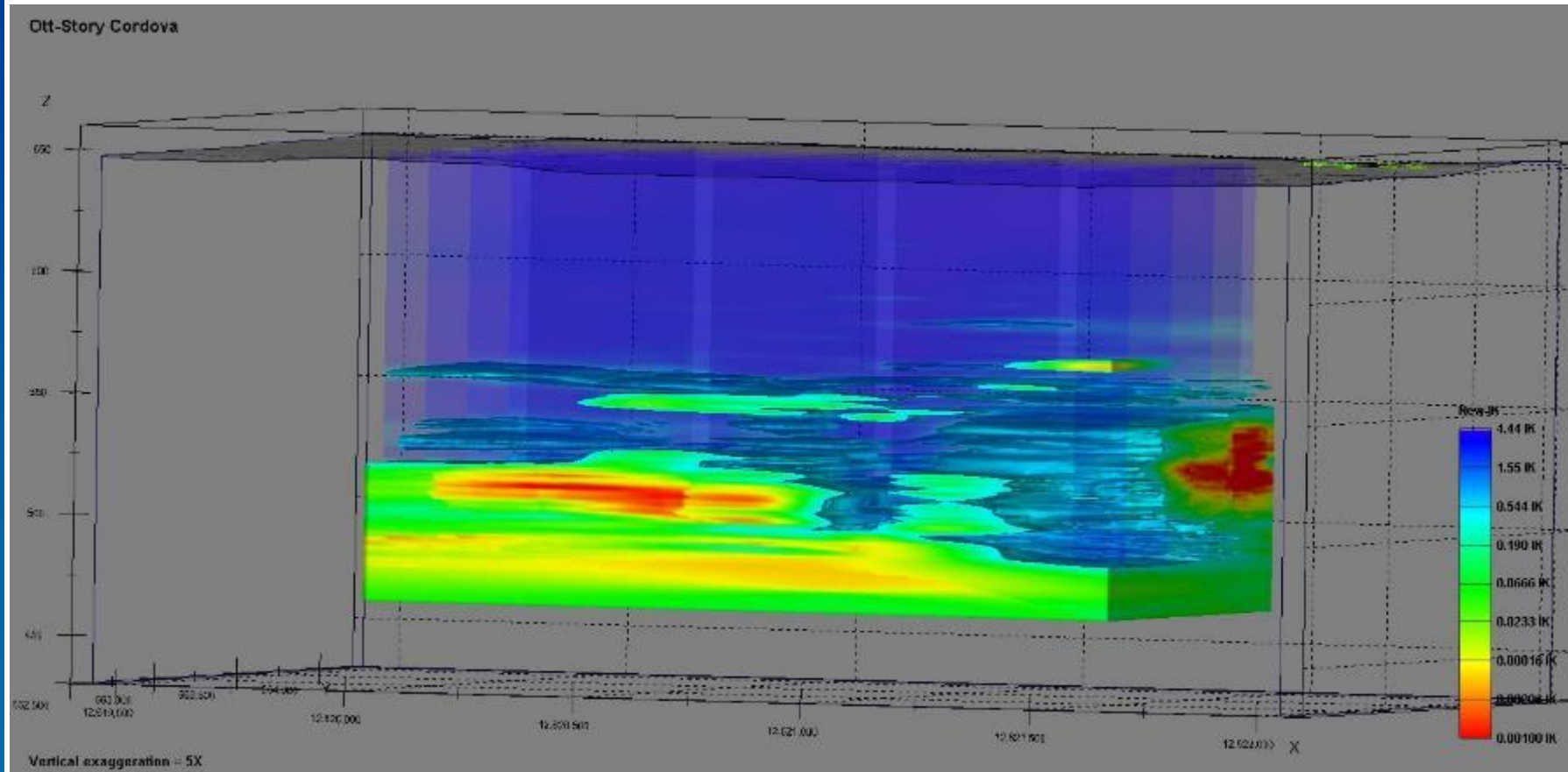
# Phase III Investigation Summary





# Summary of Field Investigation Activities

## Site Geology Results



# Summary of Field Investigation Activities

## Contamination Results

### Nature of Contamination:

- Numerous organic compounds detected in groundwater including chlorinated ethenes, chlorinated ethanes, aromatic hydrocarbons, and other “miscellaneous” compounds (aniline, THF)
- Parent as well as degradation compounds were detected

### Extent of Contamination:

- Contamination was detected in groundwater samples throughout OU3 and in the samples from transects located south of Agard Road
- The presence and extent of contamination varies for each compound (not a single release event/location)

# Summary of Field Investigation Activities

## Contamination Results Continued

### Magnitude of Contamination:

- Concentrations detected were well above groundwater restoration criteria
- Typically, very high dissolved-phase concentrations were detected
- Some chemicals were present in dissolved-phase samples at concentrations greater than 1% of their solubility (toluene, 1,2-dichlorobenzene, 1,1,1-TCA, PCE)



# Waterloo Analytical Data

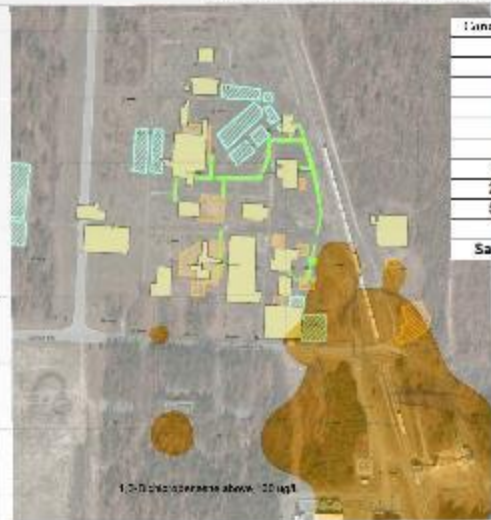
Chemical	Maximum Concentrations ug/L	Location	Depth, Feet	MCL ug/L	1% of Solubility (possible NAPL) ug/L
1,1-DCA	5,270	WL-10	88	7	50,400
1,1-DCA	9,040	WL-09	88	7	50,400
1,1,1-TCA	12,800	WL-09	88	200	12,900
1,1,1-TCA	16,400	WL-10	88	200	12,900
TCE	2,370	WL-08	55	5	12,800
PCE	4,340	WL-08	55	5	2,060
PCE	1,340	WL-45	18	5	2,060
1,2-DICHLOROBENZENE	1,630	WL-14	25	N/A	1,560
1,2-DICHLOROBENZENE	2,500	WL-34B	50	N/A	1,560
1,2-DICHLOROBENZENE	2,530	WL-34	30.2	N/A	1,560
1,2-DICHLOROBENZENE	3,150	WL-48	34.5	N/A	1,560
Trans-1,2-DCE	96	WL-32	77.5	100	54,200
VC	36,700	WL-03	124.4	2	88,000
1,1-DCE	1,160	WL-03	124.4	7	64,100
1,1-DCE	1,020	WL-10	88	7	64,100
TETRAHYDROFURAN	3,600	WL-41	130	N/A	10,000,000
CHLOROBENZENE	3,670	WL-33B	41.1	100	4,980
CHLOROBENZENE	4,030	WL-33C	45.1	100	4,980
BENZENE	1,130	WL-04	118.4	5	17,900
BENZENE	1,200	WL-23	154	5	17,900
BENZENE	1,280	WL-33B	46.7	5	17,900
BENZENE	1,530	WL-23	156.7	5	17,900
1,2-DCA	20,000	WL-23	154	5	86,000
1,2-DCA	24,100	WL-23	156.7	5	86,000
TOLUENE	57,400	WL-46	30.3	1,000	5,260
TOLUENE	58,400	WL-33C	40.1	1,000	5,260
TOLUENE	137,000	WL-33A	150.2	1,000	5,260

# Nature and Extent of Contamination

1,2-Dichlorobenzene Above 100 µg/L

Number of Detections

Concentration Range (µg/L)	1,2-Dichlorobenzene
0 - 49	228
50 - 99	168
100 - 249	65
250 - 499	29
500 - 999	33
1,000 - 24,999	10
25,000 - 49,999	0
50,000 - 99,999	0
>100,000	0
Sample population	1004



Benzene Above 100 µg/L

Number of Detections

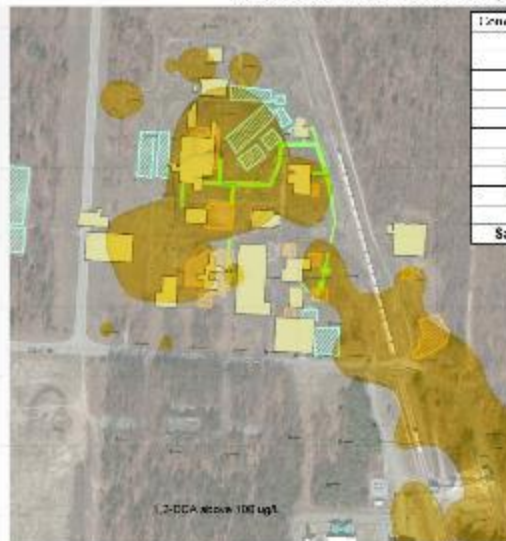
Concentration Range (µg/L)	Benzene
0 - 5	275
5 - 49	168
50 - 99	53
100 - 249	58
250 - 499	25
500 - 999	17
1,000 - 24,999	5
25,000 - 49,999	0
50,000 - 99,999	0
>100,000	0
Sample population	1004



1,2-Dichloroethane Above 100 µg/L

Number of Detections

Concentration Range (µg/L)	1,2-Dichloroethane
0 - 5	173
5 - 49	138
50 - 99	34
100 - 249	23
250 - 749	19
750 - 999	4
1,000 - 24,999	17
25,000 - 49,999	0
50,000 - 99,999	0
>100,000	0
Sample population	1004



1,1,1-TCA Above 100 µg/L

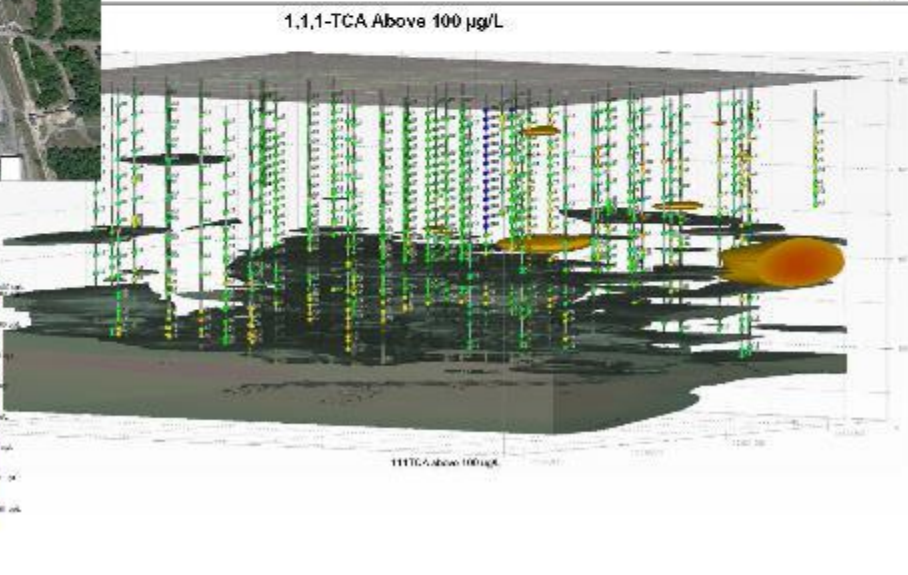
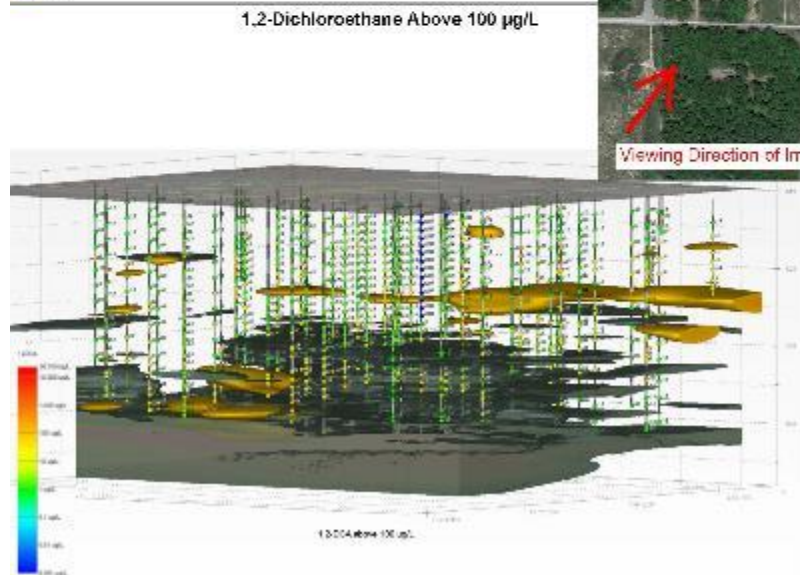
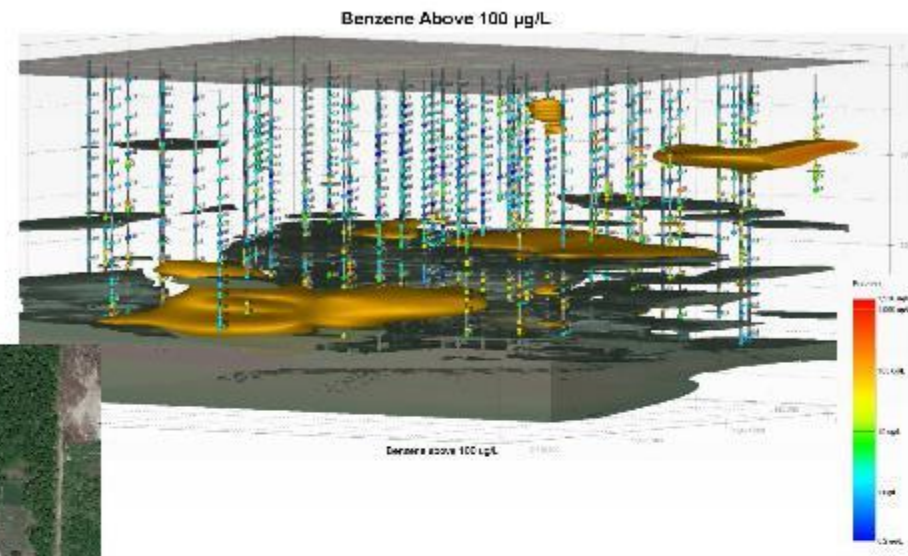
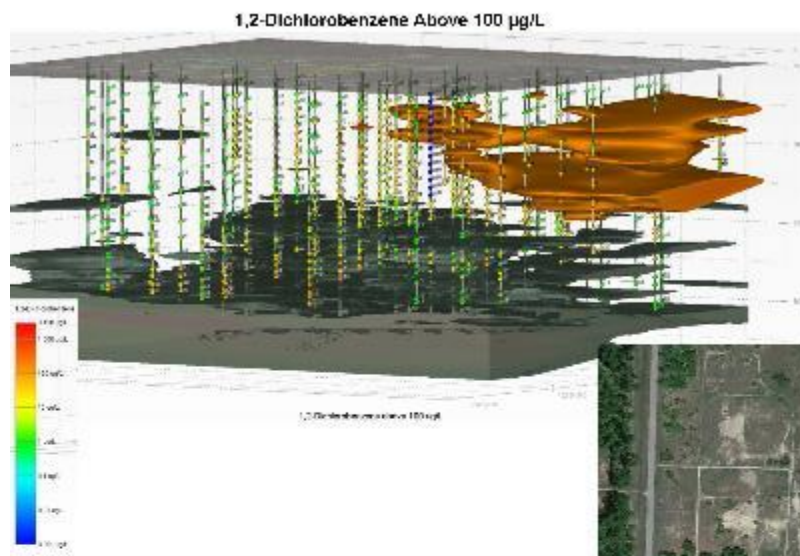
Number of Detections

Concentration Range (µg/L)	1,1,1-Trichloroethane
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5 - 49	20
50 - 99	3
100 - 249	4
250 - 749	4
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50,000 - 99,999	0
>100,000	0
Sample population	1004



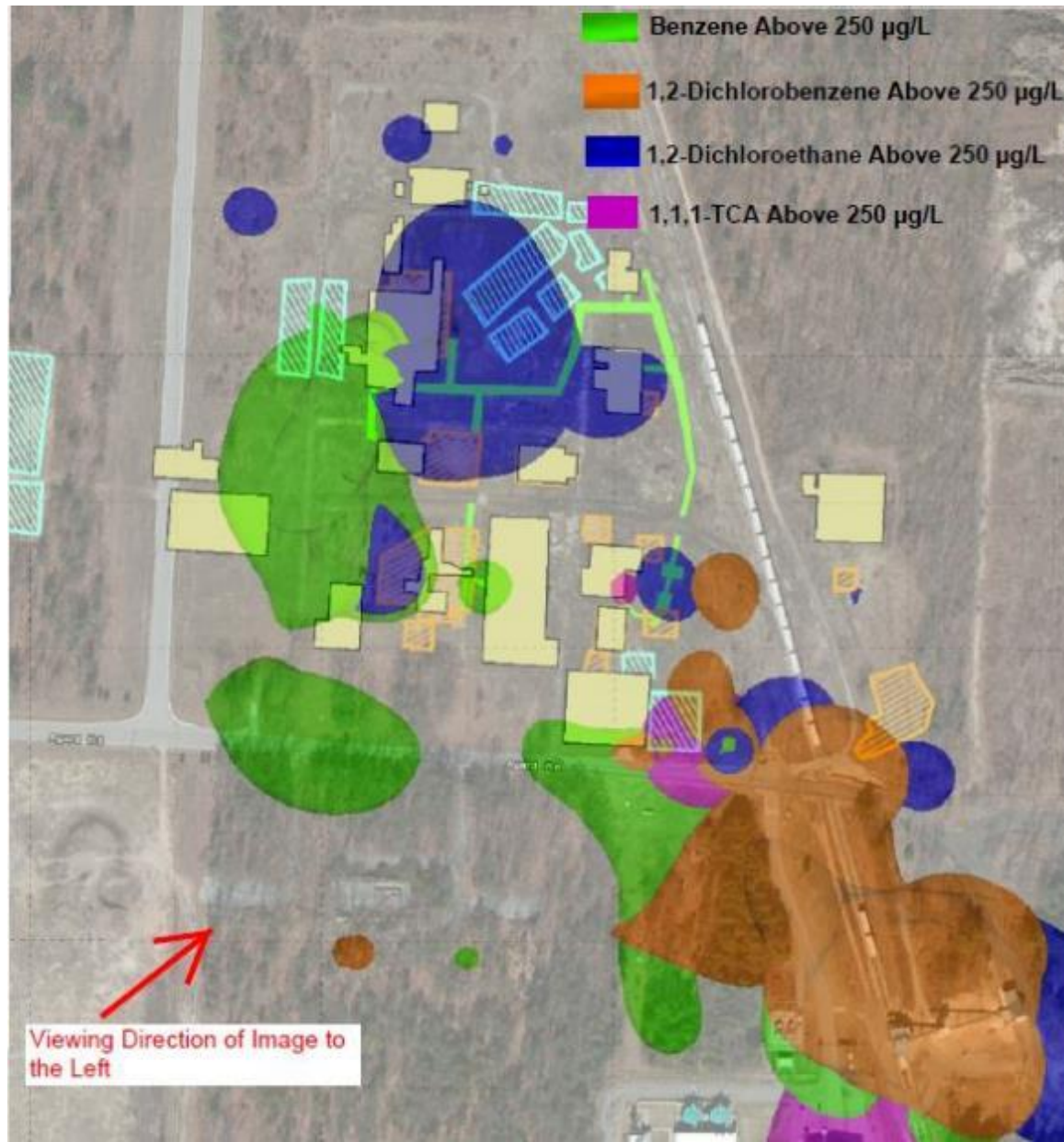


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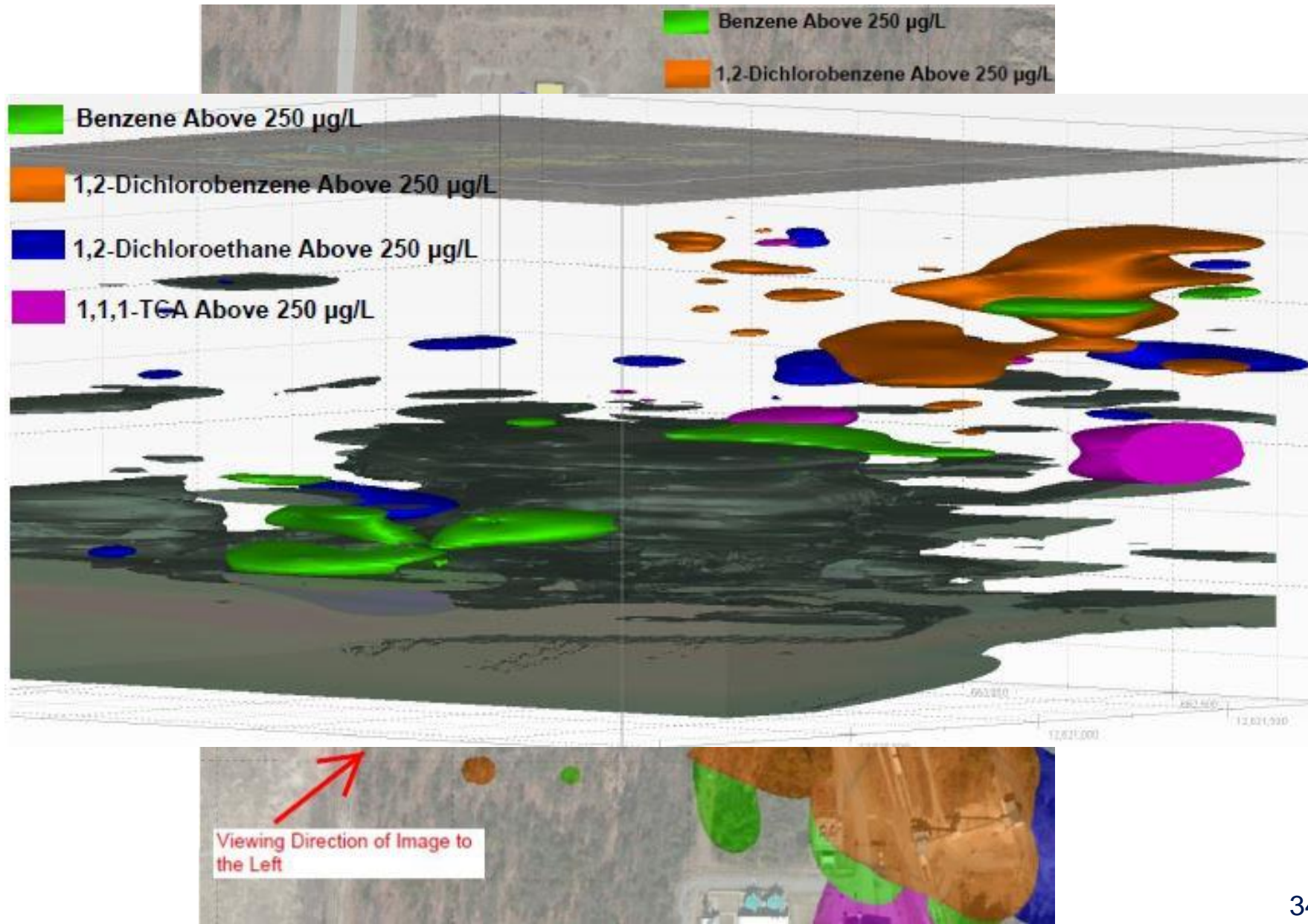




# Nature and Extent of Contamination Continued



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# Summary of Findings

## Dissolved-Phase Groundwater:

- Multiple contaminants are present
- Lateral and vertical extent varies by compound
- Contaminant pattern is indicative of multiple releases in many areas
- Higher dissolved-phase groundwater concentrations were generally detected just above low hydraulic conductivity (clay) zones
- Contamination does not appear to extend vertically below the lower clay



# Summary of Findings Continued

## NAPL Assessment:

- Direct evidence of NAPL was not observed
- Indirect evidence shows potential for NAPL to exist (dissolved-phase greater than 1% solubility for some compounds)
- Back-diffusion from low hydraulic conductivity zones appears to be the predominant process “feeding” the dissolved-phase plume
- Results are indicative of a late-stage release where back-diffusion is greater than NAPL dissolution
- Given size of source area and depth of contamination, the potential exists for small pockets or localized areas of NAPL to be present.

# Planned Activities for 2017

## OU3 Source Area:

- Perform mass distribution analysis

## Downgradient Plume:

- Conduct additional VAS using HRSC methods
- Potentially supplement HRSC with sonic methods, if necessary

## Site-Wide:

- Input downgradient sample results and Relative IK data into Earth Volumetric Studio (EVS)
- Expand 3D Visualization and Analysis (3DVA) to incorporate source area and downgradient results

## Follow-up Activities

- Optimize extraction wells and monitoring network
- Identify potential remedial technologies for the site
- Assess effectiveness of potential technologies given site conditions

# Questions?

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