Applying Lean to optimize site reviews for project strategy alignment and sustainable remedial approaches

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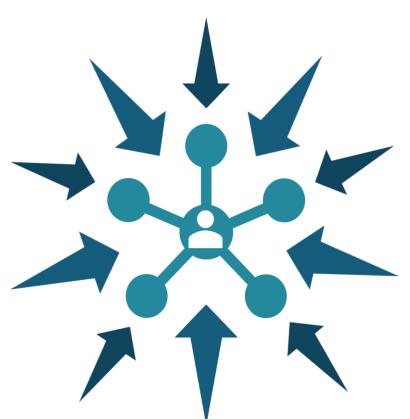




Introduction – Peer reviews

Peer reviews are routinely conducted across our industry for a variety of reasons

- Strategy identification/review
- Milestone achievement or project shift
- Technical optimization
- Spend optimization
- Acquisitions/divestitures





Traditional peer reviews

Typical features	Associated problems
Purpose and goals of the review are not shared	 Lack of shared understanding Seen as punitive by consultant – "we must be doing something wrong"
 Review is conducted by a 3rd party 3rd party reviewer given a 'library' to review & write a report on findings 3rd party reviewer has limited time to present their findings 	 3rd party only has partial information No engagement with client and consultant - done in a bubble Turns into a marketing exercise
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 - Technically appropriate remediation measures implemented
 - Financially responsible implementation of remedies



Challenge

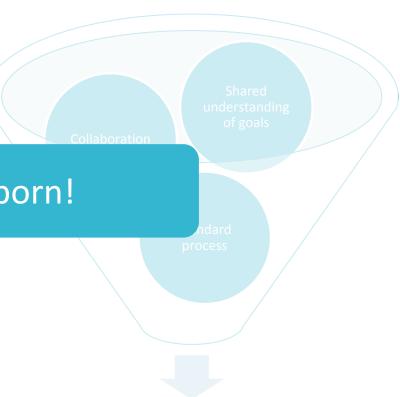
- 2013: major acquisition led to 2-3x increase in environmental reserves
 - New sites, new consultants, new PMs
- Management wanted to establish internal program to ensure large sites/reserves managed effectively
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Desired outcomes of improved program

- Collaborative team approach
 - Harness team institutional knowledge
 - Ensure inclusion of subject matter experts (SMEs)
 - Improve
 The "Gatekeeper" program was born!
- Systematic site selection
- Standard approach & tools
- Site spend/effort/time aligned with site risk



Sustained improvements



Why a Lean-based approach?

- Alignment with customer values and goals
- Collaboration
- Standardized processes
- Simple, visual documentation

Examples of other challenges addressed using Lean principles and approach

Reserves mgmt, tracking & reporting

Standardize financial management & documents

Spill response & remedial planning

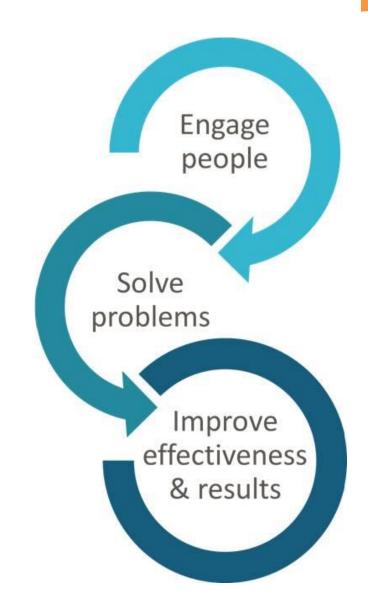
Remedial system O&M optimization

Site closure strategies



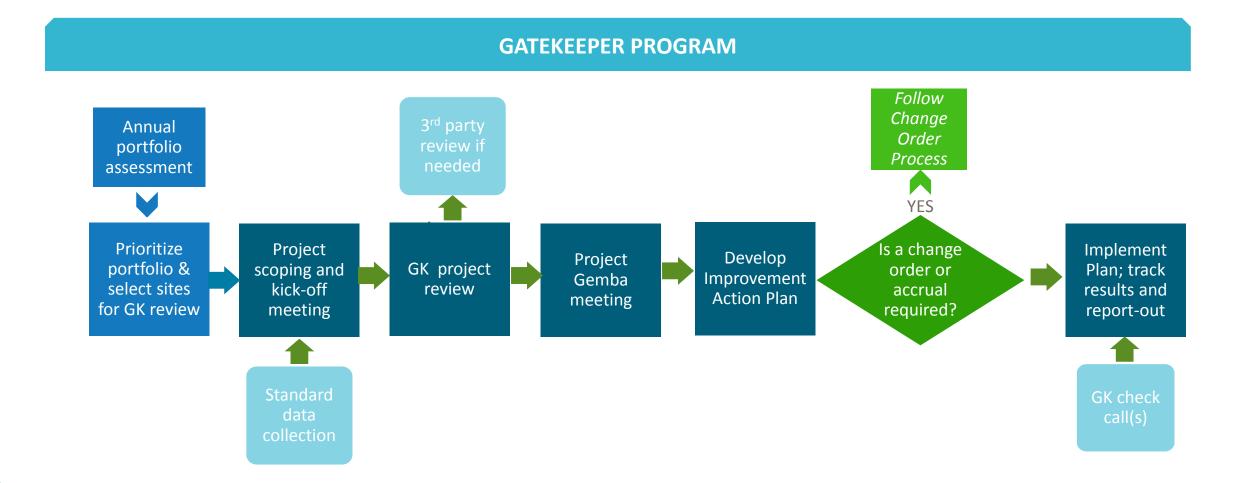
What is Lean?

Increases ValueReduces WasteRespects People





An improved approach – standard process





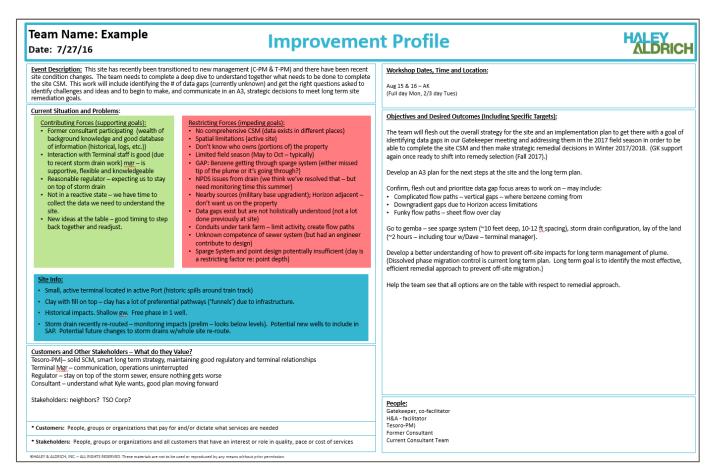
An improved approach – team collaboration

- Client Project Manager
- 'Gatekeeper'
- Project consultant team
 - Field, OM&M staff (imperative)
 - Technical leads
 - Consultant PM
- Lean facilitator
- 3rd party subject matter experts (if needed)





- 1. Project Scoping via Improvement Profile:
 - Identify goals and objectives of Gatekeeper review
 - Identify challenges/data gaps
 - Key considerations (risk, logistics, etc.)
 - Identify review team



Example Improvement Profile (a common Lean tool)



- 2. Full team kick-off
 - Intro to program and purpose
- Standard data collection (by consultants) & Gatekeeper review
 - Standard docs: Conceptual
 Site Model (CSM), recent
 reports

Business Plan Trigger Event Description (see attachments for detailed information):	Activity on-site driven by potential for impacts to downgradient municipal wells and potentially commercial properties. Risk rating high due to pervasive product in soil/gw on and off-site and bc site under clean-up and abatement order w/high oversight fees. Activty justified to remain within abatement order and potential for well impacts, to keep major plume stable/shrinking and managed.						
Planned Site Actions / Accrual	925 - 4 current systems in operation (O2 injection on southern Target property - conversion to Fenton's recently completed; Model 4 Flame-Ox unit on-site; trailer-mounted Vapor Extract/Prod Recovery system) Planned system install: Expand VE system to incorporate 17 new wells/conveyance network to connect to Model 2/Model 4. Model 2 Flame-Ox to be installed to increase vapor treatment capacity by 2-fold. Air sparge proposed re-start/expansion of existing system once Model 2 Flame-Ox.						
Strategy: (summarized by lifecycle - mark complete if lifecycle completed or NA if not applicable/inestimable for a site)							
Gatekeeper Review and Status: Required? Y/N Yes Current Status: ✓ Pending Approved Disapproved See Gatekeeper Report for Current Action Items/Recommendations and Due Dates.							
Back-Up Documents Attached (as appliing Standard C.O. Template (for accrual mg EFW (for reserve mgmt. or OBL request Workplans	cable/available):	ORES ✓ Monte Carlo ✓ TERRA Reports and Defender ✓ Other CAO & Pwpt presentation from recent project reviews; consider call withT-PM & C-PM for tech review					

Standard GK Document Request



4. 'Gemba' Meeting - 1.5 days, on-site

DAY 1

- "Gatekeeper" team on site
- Gatekeeper review goals
- Assess what is going well and where challenges lie
- Site Gemba walk

DAY 2

- Assess data gaps/ problems/ideas
- Brainstorm and prioritize improvements
- Develop improvement action plan

General Gemba Meeting Agenda



5. Gatekeeper follow-up

- Team call ~1 month after
 Gatekeeper review
- Review Improvement Action Plan
 - Ensure all improvements are on track; adjust where needed
- Track metrics for report out to management & customers on results
 - Standard format (shown in results)

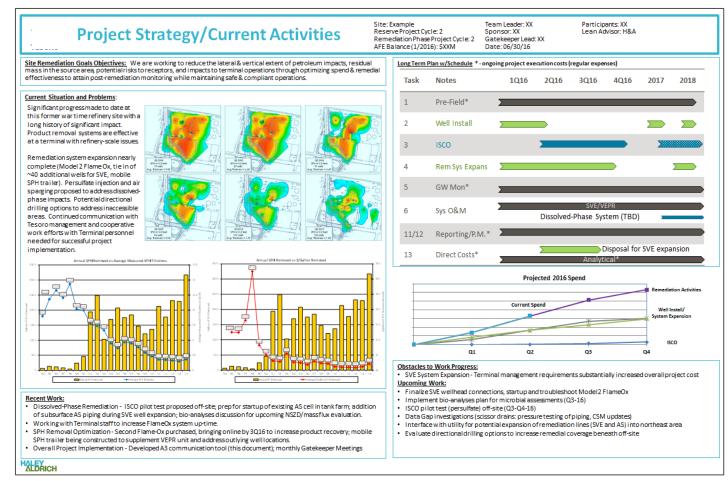
Item #	Description of Problem or Condition to be Improved	Improvement Action	Accountable Person	Responsible Person (s)	Due Date	% Complete
	property boundary & ownership / lease information not known	Figure this out - reach out to adjacent property owners	AP	RP	9/1/2016	100%
7	XX wells not in program & current survey is based on old data	Re-survey and add XX wells to program	AP	RP	9/15/2016	85%
3	Potential source areas at east end of terminal Rack impacts - nature & extent unknown	Historic data review Develop work plan to fill gaps Borehole colloidal scope	AP	RP	12/10/2016	25%
4	Limited options to investigate & fill CSM data gaps	CSM To Do: 1. Complete a thorough review of existing data 2. Develop/amend site cross-sections E to W, N to S (3 D model) 3. Identify existing data gaps (use flux measure where possible when AS sys down (see #3 & #5)) 4. Prep a work plan to complete data gaps and to support a remedial alternatives evaluation & implement (2017 Field Season) 5. Complete a remedial alternatives evaluation based on the complete data set (cost/benefit) 6. Select a preferred alternative (2017/2018)	АР	RP	12/10/2016 (through step 3) Step 4 - for 2017 field season Step 5 & 6 - Fall/Winter 2017/2018	15%
5	We don't know if Air Sparge is the "right" remediation technology	Complete the following: - Pilot test AS shut off for 6-12 months - Link flux measure data w/AS shut down - Measure DO across area & create contour map - Collect MNA data including Bio traps & geochem data AS System Shut Down Plan: 1. Evaluate GW qual & MNA/bio data (for baseline) 2. Turn off AS to see steady state conditions 3. Monitor GW monthly (spring/fall) 5. At least 1 round of MNA/bio w/GW to show shut down state 4. 6 or 12 month AS pilot monitoring report (possible 6 month extension if system off shows no impact) 5. Final AS report with O&M recommendations	АР	RP	Work Plan 2/2016 Implement Shut Down 5/2017- 11/2017 or 5/2018	20%

Improvement Action Plan (partial)



6. Report out

- One-page communication tool (A3)
- Summarizes findings of GK review
- Updated frequently to track progress



Example project summary with improvement action items



Project examples & results

7 significant data gaps identified & action plan developed

Reduce 1 FTE via optimized product management

\$5M - \$7M - cost avoidance via improved municipal well contingency plan

> Optimized groundwater monitoring program – ROI within 3 years

Additional time and cost savings (2 years; ~ \$4M) from improved remedial plan for dissolved phase



Observations of remedial system O&M



"Force Field Analyses" – to understand the "whole system



Project examples & results

Identified old culvert with suspect integrity under ASTs

Reduction of 1 lifecycle year via optimized remedial actions \$120K

Elimination of planned remedial system expansion \$500K

Shutdown of active system due to diminishing returns

Additional cost savings from optimization of vapor control system



Development of an improvement action plan



Gemba Walk to understand the site



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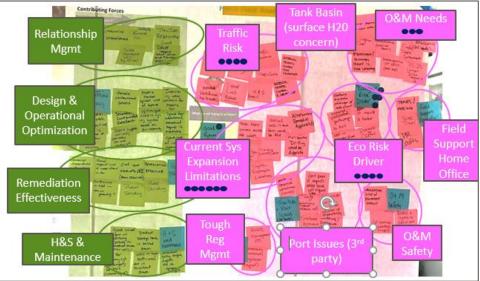
Purchase vs. rental of remedial system will result in cost savings in thousands/year

Despite strong eye for safety, opportunities to improve safety measures

Remedial strategy to achieve closure by 2022



Observations of remedial system O&M



Lean based assessment of site activity



Conclusions



Lean-based approaches to peer reviews improve project and team performance



Investment in effort more than pays off – both in short & long term



Project team collaboration is critical to support strategic thinking AND provide sustainable results





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