

# Green Remediation & Renewable Energy Development on Contaminated Lands and Mining Sites

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#### Overview of Available Tools



- EPA's approach to Green Remediation and Renewable Energy on Contaminated Land and Mining Sites
- Green remediation contract toolkit
- USACE MOU Update
- Renewable energy initiative and mapping



#### EPA is taking a multi-prong approach



- Developing tools, such as GIS-based RE and contaminated lands/mining sites mapping and State incentive sheets
- Model AOCs, comfort letters, PPAs and PLAs for RE development on contaminated lands and mining sites
- Provide technical expertise to assess siting issues such as geotechnical conditions/soil stability



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- Outreach and education
- Coordinate with interested parties
- Identify and work on pilot sites
- Measure results



# Green Remediation Contract Toolkit What is it?



- Quick reference guide to determine how to use the contract execution process to encourage the use of innovative approaches (e.g. green remediation technologies and practices) to site cleanup
- Guide EPA staff as they develop procurements to identify where in various contract mechanisms to include requirements or preference for innovative cleanup strategies



## Green Remediation Contract Toolkit

What are some of the contract mechanisms covered in this effort?



- Remedial Action Contracts (RAC)
- Emergency and Rapid Response Services (ERRS)
- Superfund Technical Assessment & Response Team (START)
- Environmental Services Assistance Team (ESAT)
- RCRA Enforcement, Permitting and Assistance (REPA)
- US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) contracts
- Site-specific contracts for Remedial Action
- Others....



# Green Remediation Contract Toolkit Who is the target audience?



- RPMs
- OSCs
- Contracting and Project Officers who support removal action, remedial response, and support services



## Green Remediation Contract Toolkit Example contract mechanism: RAC



- Matrix showing RAC contract process to support the use of innovative/green cleanup strategies
- Provides suggestions for how to incorporate GR language at various stages of the contracting process (e.g., from pre-award process through the contract performance)

#### Pre-Award

- •Planning & procurement
- Establishing contract type
- •Writing the SOW
- •Establishing contract terms and conditions
- •Establishing evaluation criteria and selecting contractors

#### Contract performance

- •Writing a Work Assignment / Task Order
  - •General category of consideration
  - •RI/FS, RD/RA, O&M
- •Reviewing and approving work plans
- •Evaluating performance
- •Recognition of contractor performance



| Stage of Contract<br>Development |                               | Potential Opportunity  | Who to work with to develop contract language   | Results/ Outcome   |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|--|
|                                  | Planning the<br>Procurement   | - Get group of RPMs, Project Officers and Contracting Officers together a year before RFP is issued to discuss how to craft contract to encourage innovative strategies. Consider additional conversations with USACE, BLM, DOT, and other agencies. Compare notes and share ideas.  - Use this team as an advisory group for all pre-award activities, listed below.  - Review contracts at other agencies for similar work to see how they are written. Talk to peers at other agencies (USACE, DOD, Interior, etc.) to get ideas.  - Prepare new SOW language which suggests recommended innovative technologies that can be used in various stages during the remedial activities (RUFS, RD, RA, LTRA, and O&M.) This may be incorporated at the contract level, and may also be done at the Work Assignment (WA)/Task Order (TO) level.)  | RAC Designated Lead is<br>Angela Edwards of 0 SRTI.<br>The OAM SRRP OD Service<br>Center Manager in charge of<br>RACs is Jeanne <u>Pogyey</u> ,<br>Advisory group of RPMs, POs,<br>and COs to be established. | Users of the contract will have direct will have direct influence on how the contract is structured. Field personnel can suggest ideas for encouraging the use of innovative approaches. |
| Pre-Award Activities             | Establishing<br>Contract Type | Consider performance-based contracts which provide incentives (positive or negative). True performance-based contracts permit contractor to decide on approach. Structure incentives to focus in part on use of innovative statejes. Consider use of Award Fee contracts and establish Award Term contracts, if the region is willing to commit the resources needed to manage such contracts.  If region has the resources to manage this approach, structure multiple award RAC contracts so contractors compete for work; use of innovative approaches can generate a higher technical score at WA level.  Make contract flexible so different types of TOs, delivery orders (DOs) or WAs can be issued. Use each type as appropriate for fostering use of alternative approaches to work. If fleasible, structure contract to allow for a WA or TO-specific monetary bonus/award term to seek out and implement/use green technologies.  Consider site-specific contracts where such vehicles will enable and incentivize innovative approaches. (NOTE: It may not be possible in all situations to make these performance-based, since contractor may need to comply with design specifications.) Region may want a combination of full-service RACs and RAC (tigs, | Same as above.  | Contracts will have built-in incentives for suggesting suggesting dufficient with the strategies.  |
|                                  | Writing the<br>Contract SOW   | - Clearly establish requirements in SOW for contractor to consider or utilize innovative approaches where appropriate.  - Using Work Breakdown Structure, go through SOW task by task to identify areas where using innovative strategies is feasible. White specific language under each task, as appropriate. (NOTE: This can also be used at the WAYTO level.)  - Provide an attachment showing possible innovative technologies that can be used in various stages during the remedial activities (RUFS, RD, RA, LTRA, and OSMM.)  | Same as above.  | Contracts will contain<br>specific provisions for<br>alternative<br>approaches in each<br>area of SOW.   |

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| is (cont.)                       | Establishing<br>Contract<br>Terms and<br>Conditions                  | - Provide for reduced burdens on contractor if they utilize innovative approaches (e.g., relieve them from some contractual requirements, if possible and appropriate e.g., certain reporting requirements). There should be specific limits on these allowances.  - Relieve contractors from legal liability, if possible, when using new, untested technology. (NOTE: OGC must be consulted.)  - Establish standard reporting requirements for proposed innovative strategies. Include a requirement to evaluate the success of each new strategy.  - Provide contingencies affecting the exercise of optional periods of performance or increases in levels of effort that address the contractor's willingness to use innovative strategies (Award Term Options).   | Same as above, plus OGC advice for liability language.         | Contracts will have built-in incentives. Contractors will be more willing to take risks. EPA will have data on alternative strategies.  |
| Pre-Award Activities             | Developing<br>Evaluation<br>Criteria and<br>Selecting<br>Contractors | Request that technical proposals include various approaches for evaluating and utilizing innovative cleanup strategies. Develop evaluation criteria that consider an officing suce of innovative technologies. Assign higher scores to contractors who have a proven track record in this area and are willing to continue to try new approaches to the work. Base selection, in part, on a firm's commitment to environmental sustainability, including the implementation of an Environmental Management System. Recognize that higher costs may be a result of alternative strategies.  Require contractors to fill out Section H of SF 330 to describe their accomplishments and results in the use of alternative strategies.  When evaluating past performance, require specific references from officials who have direct knowledge of officings' experience with innovative approaches.  Use RPMs or other specialists who can evaluate innovative approaches as members of TEP or advisors to help evaluate this part of proposal. | Same as above, plus experts for various innovative strategies. | Higher scores will be possible for offerors, that have experience, expertise, and willingness to consider alternative approaches. EPA will have a cadre of contractors who are experienced in these areas and willing to take some risks. |

| Stage of Contract           |                                      | ntract       | 2. 4.2  | Who to work with to develop  | Results/ Outcome  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|---|--|---|
|                             | Development                          |              | Potential Opportunity   | contract language  |   |
| During Contract Performance | Writing a Work Assignment/Task Order | RUFS General | Clearly establish a preterence for contractors that consider or utilize innovative approaches. Request a section in the contractor's work plan to demonstrate how the contractor will use innovative technologies such as green remediation during the various stages of the project.  Request that contractors propose alternative approaches, where appropriate.  Request life cycle analysis for various approaches offered, where appropriate.  Be prepared to modify the statement of work (SOW), if necessary, once an approach has been selected.  Using a work-breakdown-structure approach, go through SOW task by task to identify areas where using innovative strategies is feasible. Write specific language under each task, as appropriate.  Given flexibility in the contract, develop specific monetary bonus/award terms to seek out and implement/use green technologies.  Draft WAYTO to require the use of innovative approaches, like Triad or optimization, on appropriate tasks related to Ris.  Suggest remedial alternatives screening evaluate at least one innovative approach or include additional factors focused on innovation within existing evaluation criteria for all alternatives evaluation.  Highlight sustainability or other green requirements as additional factors within evaluation criteria for remedy selection.  Require life-cycle cost analyses to include cost impacts of sustainability (energy consumption and waste reduction, increased durability, reduced operations and maintenance requirements, etc.). | RPMs are generally responsible for writing WA SOWs and developing the IGCEs. The advisory group of RPMs, POs, and COs to be established could be useful resources to help identify the latest innovative strategies. | The individual WAs will provide the most detailed information and requirements on site level activities and can be used to outline specific requirements or state preferences for the use of innovative cleanup strategies. |
|                             |                                      | 8            | Require any specific innovative approaches in a "Design Approach".     Include reuse planning requirements to ensure long-term protectiveness and sustainability.   |  |   |
|                             |                                      | OSM          | After evaluating system/project performance and results, require a report on opportunities to include innovative strategies in any system redesign.      Amend WAs/TOs, if necessary, in cases where innovative strategy would reduce time or cost, or would be more protective.  |  |   |

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| (cont.)                             | Reviewing<br>and Approving<br>Work Plan | - Evaluate any alternative approaches. Request that contractors state how they plan to use innovative technologies, such as Green Remediation, during the various stages of the WATO, and have them present the pros and cons of utilizing various approaches. They should document additional costs, scheduling impacts, and potential contingencies.  - Negotiate with the contractor if their approach is not acceptable. Focus on the need for the contractor to be cost efficient and practical when proposing innovative technologies.  - Evaluate any tradeoffs with traditional approaches before approving.  - Ensure, after negotiations, that the final work plan documents all agreements and understandings in implementing the remedial work while using practical innovative technologies.    | RPMs are responsible for<br>reviewing the technical<br>approaches contained in work<br>plans but the PO/COs must be<br>intimately involved to facilitate<br>any negotiations. | Negotiation on technical approach and cost allows refinement and EPA approval of innovative approaches. |
| During Contract Performance (cont.) | Evaluating<br>Performance               | - Provide recognition of contractors that use innovative strategies during the annual evaluation in the NIH Contractor Performance System or any other performance evaluation. (There is no separate NIH category for this, but the PO can include this in the overall performance ratings.) If a contractor's score is borderline between two levels, this may push them into a higher bracket.  - If the contract is performance-based, measure performance and apply rewards accordingly.  - If the contract is Award Fee type, evaluate the performance in accordance with established criteria, which can include the use of innovative strategies. (NOTE: Award Fee criteria can be changed unitaterally by the Government for future periods, pursuant to the clause set forth in EPAAR 1552 216-70). | RPMs complete monthly review and PO and COs are involved in annual review.  | Financial incentives<br>are persuasive way<br>to encourage<br>innovation.                               |
|                                     | Recognition of<br>Contractors           | - Exercise contract options contingent upon satisfactory performance, which may include willingness to use innovative strategies.  - Establish an annual Contractor's Innovation Award for contractors that implement innovative cleanup strategies use on a regional or national basis.  - Write letters to contractor corporate officers commending them on their use of innovative approaches.  - Send report cards to all contractors on how well the Government considers they have done in this area.  | Process for individual contractor recognition differs in each Region. National recognition would be granted by advisory group of RPMs, POs, and COs.                          | Recognition will encourage use and provide reference for contractors' subsequent bids.                  |

#### Green Remediation Contract Toolkit Next steps



- Finalize contract tool kit for RAC
- Continue to develop tool kit for all contract mechanisms
- Continue outreach on how to use tool kit



#### **USACE MOU Update**



- In 2008, EPA renegotiated the long-standing MOU with the USACE after many years (1984!)
- Includes the following sustainability language
  - Section 4.4: "USACE and EPA are committed to incorporate, to the extent practicable, green and sustainable remediation technologies and practices, such as use of cleaner and/or more efficient energy processes, pollution prevention, and cleanup and beneficial land reuse practices that consider the lifecycle of the project, and that are protective of land, water and air resources throughout all phases of the Superfund cleanup process. Through the implementation of such remediation technologies and practices, EPA, USACE, and partners of EPA and USACE intend to further our goals to recycle wastes to the greatest extent possible, minimize or eliminate pollution at its source, and use energy and natural resources efficiently to reduce impacts on the environment. USACE will work with EPA to provide a report on the achievement of these goals at the annual joint EPA/USACE national meetings."



#### RE-Powering America's Land: Siting Renewable Energy On Contaminated Land and Mining Sites

- New Initiative launched by OSWER
- Goal: Encourage, support and facilitate the development of renewable energy production facilities on contaminated lands and mining sites
- Focuses on renewable energy development potential on Superfund, RCRA, Brownfields and Mining Sites



#### RE-Powering America's Land Benefits of Renewable Energy Development on **EPA Tracked Sites**

- Many Superfund, RCRA, Brownfield, Mining Sites and other blighted properties offer:
  - Offer thousands of acres
  - Existing infrastructure transmission lines, roads and railway
  - NIMBY issues may be less prevalent
  - Adequate zoning
- Siting renewable energy on these sites may be a viable reuse option:

  - Provides economic value for property that might otherwise lack significant value
    Furthers environmental sustainability by maximizing land use and optimizing renewable energy opportunities
  - May have lower overall transaction costs compared to greénfields
  - Reduces the stress on greenfields land for construction of new energy facilities
  - Provides clean, emission-free energy for use on-site, locally, and utility grid

#### RE-Powering America's Land Benefits of Renewable Energy Development on **EPA Tracked Sites**

- Approximately 16 million acres of potentially contaminated properties (approx. 480,000 sites) across the United States are tracked by EPA
  - ~80% (13.6 million acres) are non-urban
  - ~20% (3.2 million acres) are abandoned mine land
- Cleanup goals have been achieved and controls put in place to ensure long-term protection at more than 850,000 acres
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# Why Develop Renewable Energy Facilities on EPA Tracked Sites?



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   manufacture for renewable energy facilities

# How Much Energy Can EPA Tracked Lands Support?

#### Solar Energy Potential

- Solar Energy Generation Capacity on EPA Tracked Lands
  - 2,670,227 MW
- In 2010, EIA projects U.S. solar PV and thermal capacity at 6,100 MW

#### Wind Energy Potential

- Wind Energy Generation Potential on EPA Tracked Lands
  - 120,379 MW

In 2010, EIA projects U.S. wind capacity at 25,610 MW

## Google Earth Mapping Tool



- Successful EPA-NREL joint venture produced an interactive Google Earth mapping application
- Shows opportunities to site renewable energy on contaminated lands and mining sites in each state
- Using criteria, such as distance to electric transmission lines, distance to roads, renewable energy potential, and site acreage, we produced over 170 state-specific maps showing renewable energy development potential on EPA tracked sites
- Produced incentive sheets describing renewable energy development and contaminated lands redevelopment incentives in each state



## Google Earth Mapping Tool



- Audience:
  - Developers
  - Environmental managers (state, federal, private)
  - Consultants
  - Private industry
  - Communities
  - Local, state, and federal energy and environment officials
  - Anyone interested in renewable energy projects on contaminated lands and mining sites



# Screening Criteria Contaminated Lands Mapping



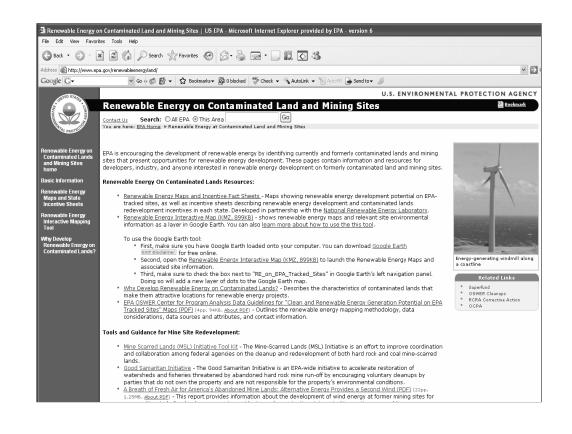
#### Clean and Renewable Energy Sources

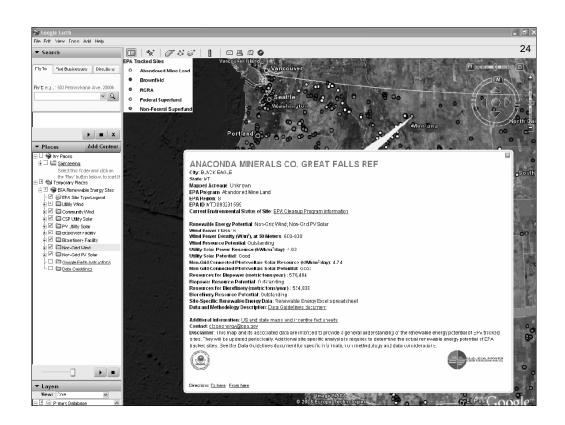
- Biomass: Biopower
  - Residues from crops, forests and mills; methane; urban wood waste and dedicated energy crops
- Biomass: Dry-Mill Corn Ethanol
- Wind: Non-Grid, Community, and Utility
- PV: Non-Grid, Community and Utility
- CSP: Community and Utility
  - Sterling, Trough and Power Tower

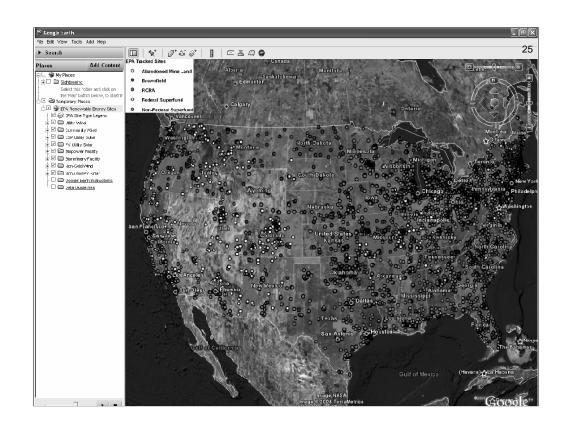
#### **Preliminary Screening Criteria**

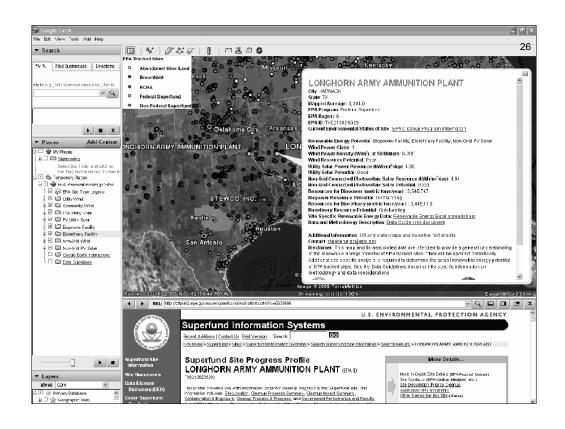
- •Availability & quality of solar, wind, biomass
- Acreage
- Distance to electric transmission lines
- Distance to graded roads
- Slope and aspect of property

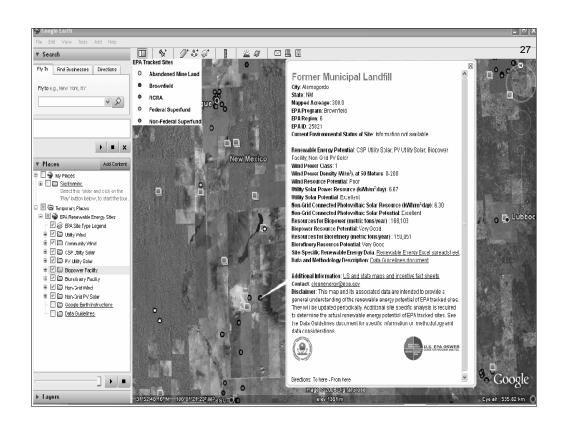


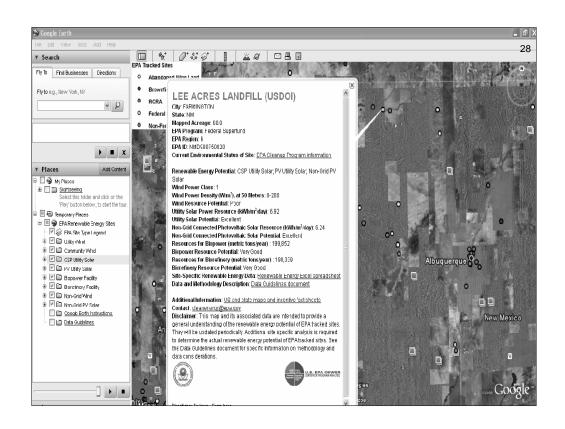












#### Utility-Scale Solar & Wind Potential



- 5.2 million acres of EPA-tracked land are located in an area with the highest solar resource potential
- If developed for utility-scale photovoltaic and concentrating solar power
  - → yield an electricity capacity more than 919,000 MW and a GHG emission reduction of approximately 2,169 MMTCO2E
- 580,000 acres of EPA-tracked land are located in an area with the highest wind resource potential
- If developed for utility-scale and community-scale wind power,
  - → it would yield an electricity capacity more than 17,000 MW and a GHG emission reduction of approximately 39 MMTCO2E



#### Incentives



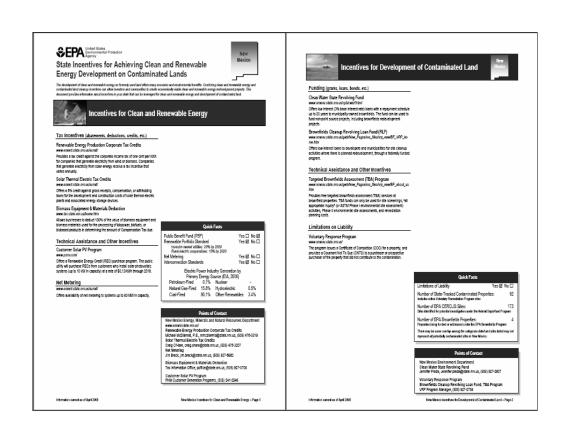
- State Incentives

  - Grants and Loans
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    Tax abatements, deductions, credits
    Net metering
    Other incentives: equipment loan programs for wind production
- Federal incentives
   Extended Production Tax Credit (PTC) for renewable energy for sales of electricity for the first 10 years of operation

| Resource Type                               | In Service Deadline | Credit Amount |  |
|---|---------------------|---------------|--|
| Wind  | December 31, 2009   | 2.0¢/kWh      |  |
| Closed-loop Biomass                         | December 31, 2010   | 2.0¢/kWh      |  |
| Open-loop Biomass                           | December 31, 2010   | 1.0¢/kWh      |  |
| Geothermal Energy                           | December 31, 2010   | 2.0¢/kWh      |  |
| Landfill Gas                                | December 31, 2010   | 1.0¢/kWh      |  |
| Municipal Solid Waste                       | December 31, 2010   | 1.0¢/kWh      |  |
| Qualified Hydroelectric                     | December 31, 2010   | 1.0¢/kWh      |  |
| Marine and Hydrokinetic (150 kW or larger)* | December 31, 2011   | 1.0¢/kWh      |  |

- Solar Businesses and individuals who buy solar energy systems are eligible to receive the 30% investment tax credit (ITC) for solar energy. Tax credit has been extended until Dec. 31, 2016.
  Federal grants and loans
- Up to date Database of State Incentives for REs and EE 
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#### Successes

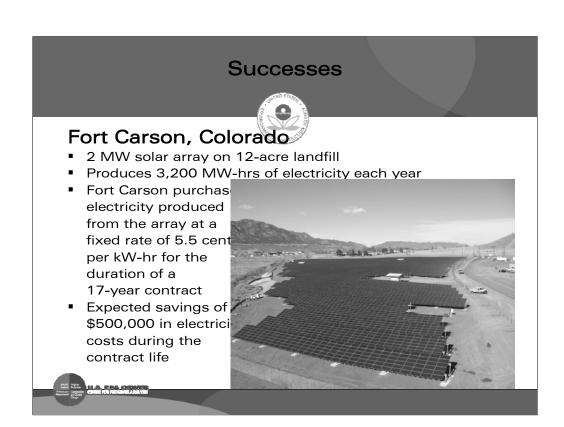


#### Former Bethlehem Steel Site Lackawanna, NY

- 8 wind turbines
- 20 MW generation capacity 7,000 homes
- By 2010 expansion to 18 wind turbines 45 MW
- Domestically manufactured wind turbines (Cedar Rapids, Iowa)
- Local job creation



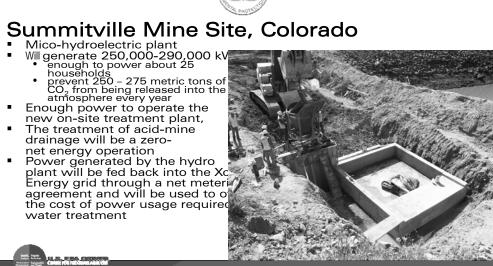




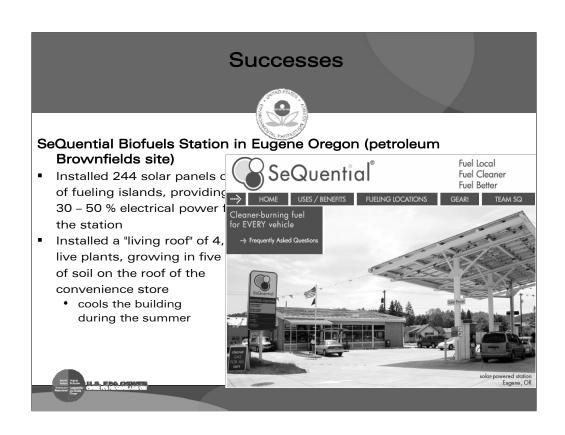
#### Successes



- water treatment







#### Successes



#### Holmes Road Landfill Solar Field, Houston TX

- Revitalization of a 300-acre former landfill site located near downtown Houston
- EPA awarded a \$50k grant to assess solar energy production
  - Evaluating various environmental, engineering, and regulatory issues involved in the project
  - Conducting a solar energy production and financial feasibility study



#### **Next Steps**



- Mapping tools
  - State sites
  - Landfill methane
  - Coalbed methane
  - · Transmission capacity
- Partnerships
  - Continue to develop key partnerships between Federal and State organizations, and private entities
- Resources
  - Brownfields funds
  - Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) Interagency Agreement
- Document ongoing and future successes
- Technical and Regulatory Guide to Siting REs on Contaminated Lands



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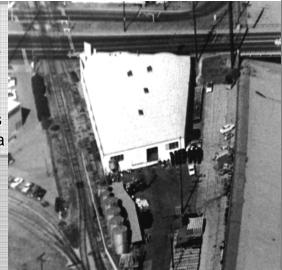
## **Green Remediation Technology**

Solar Panels at Pemaco

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#### **Pemaco Superfund Site**

- Maywood, California, 1.4 acres
- Former custom chemical blender 1950-1991, on site storage of chemicals in drums, UST's and AST's
- 1997-EPA removed 29 underground storage tanks
- 1998- 1999 EPA installed a soil vapor extraction system and treated 144, 400 lbs of soil



The plant is located approximately 6 miles south of downtown Los Angeles in the City of Maywood. The company operated as a custom chemical blending facility from 1940s until 1991. Hazardous chemicals were stored onsite in 31 underground storage tanks, 6 aboveground tanks, and over 400 drums. Chemicals were delivered onsite via both truck and rail.

#### **Pemaco Superfund Site**

- Soil and groundwater contaminated with Chlorinated solvents(TCE) and other chemicals.
- 2005 ROD: Vapor and Groundwater P&T system and Electrical Resistance Heating (ERH) in source zone.
- Enhanced In Situ Bioremediation: stand alone for dissolved phase plume and polish for source zone if needed after ERH Treatment.



EPA conducted a removal in 1997 and Chemicals in tanks included alcohols, xylene, toluene, acetone, hexane, and other volatile organic compounds

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#### **Activities to Date**

- 2004- Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study
- 2004-Public Comment (April September 2004)
- 2005- ROD addressing public comments signed
- 2005- Construction on remedy began
  - Vapor and groundwater well installation
  - Installation of conveyance piping to treatment plant
- 2006 Design of ERH System
  - Construction of treatment plant
  - Installation of ERH electrodes and temperature monitoring well locations

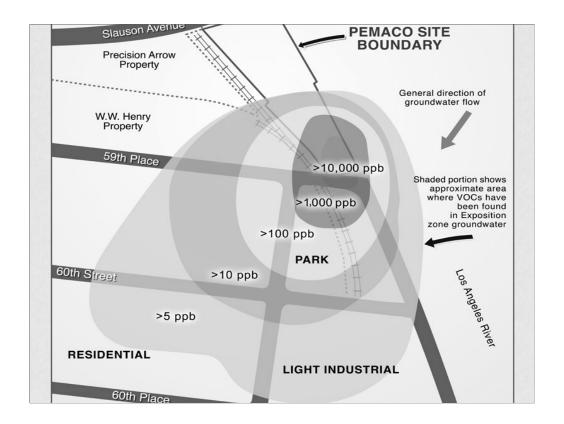


#### **Activities to Date**

- Maywood Riverfront Park completed June 2006
- Feb 2007 EISB Field Pilot
- April 2007 Groundwater Treatment System turned on
- May 2007 Vapor treatment turned on

#### **Activities to Date**

- September 2007 turned on electricity to the ERH well field
- April 2008 turned off electricity in the ERH well field after 200 days of heating
- October 2008 sampled "hot soils" in the ERH well field (post-treatment sampling).



"B" zone TCE groundwater plume (~85' to 95' bgs) – extends 1200' downgradient from site

**Shallow Groundwater** 

(25 - 35 feet below ground surface) shallow plume extends 200 ft to southwest

32 Chemicals of Concern including vinyl chloride, benezene, PCE, TCE, and 1,4 dioxane in shallow groundwaterplume extends 1100 feet southwest of site 22 contaminants which include:

| TCE            | 22,000 ppb |
|----------------|------------|
| vinyl chloride | 780 ppb    |
| Cis 1,2 DCE    | 14,000 ppb |
| Acetone        | 20,000 ppb |

## Dimensions of Treatment Building

- The south-facing steel roof is 81'-4" long x 27'-11" wide.
   The roof pitch is 4:12 and the ridge is 20' high.
- collateral load for solar panels is 4.00 LB/SF.



#### **System Design**

- Carefully inventory all electrical equipment in your facility
- Determine the power consumption of the equipment and hourly usage within a 24 hour period
- Size a PV system that will match that energy usage based on the number of "peak sun hours per day" for your locale

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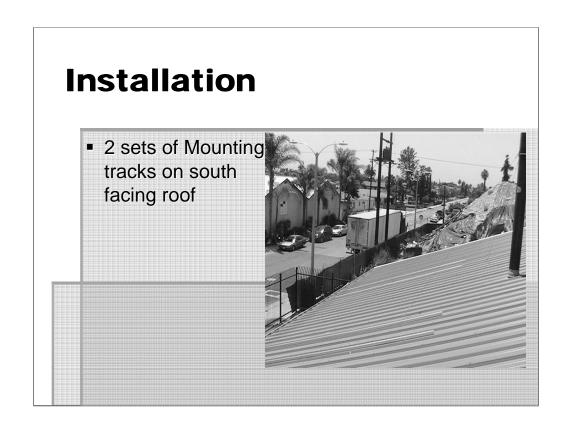
#### **Pemaco**

- Installed 3.4 kW photovoltaic system system on July 3, 2007
- Produces about 5,600 kWh / yr
- Offset about 3.3 tons
   CO<sub>2</sub> per year
  - 2.5 acres trees
  - 7,600 car miles





Photo of the Pemaco building. It houses the Flameless Thermal Oxidation System and water and soil treatment plant. Maywood, CA in Los Angeles County.





#### **Installation**

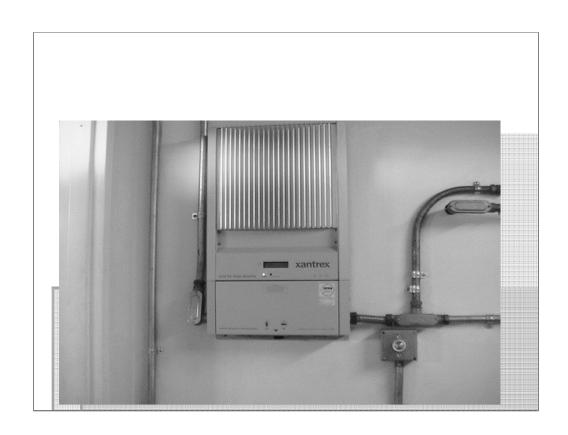
 battery backup power will be used for the computers, backup lighting, and the Treatment System in the event of a power failure to keep critical loads operating.







Electrical panel installed inside control room. Xantrax Grid Tie Solar Inverter owner's manual.

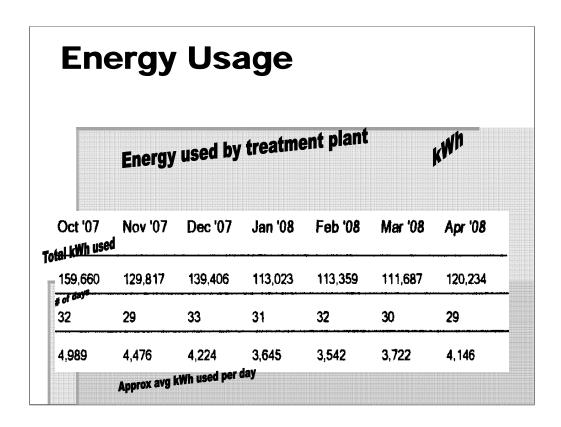












Monthly usage of electricity in the treatment plant. Solar energy has already been used by the system.

#### **Cost of System**

- Xantrax Grid Tie Solar Inverter photovoltaic system \$30,227
- Average \$9,000 rebate for system
- By July 5, 2008( one year operation)
   Solar panels generated 6172 kWh or 514 kWh per month.

#### **Energy Estimates**

- Examples from electrical bill shows the following:
  - 5440 kWh payment to SCE = \$2497.08
  - ~.46/kWh so generating 6172 kWh for year saved approximately \$2839 for year or \$236.44 per month in energy charges.

#### **Lessons Learned**

- Building placement and roof alignment
- Southern exposure important in layout of panels on roof
- Minimize shadowing
- Solar panels generated 5906 kWh/year as of June 21, 2008 or ~521 kWh/month
- Solar panels generated 6172 kWh as of July 5, 2008(operating one year).

Placement of building on your site might change how you orient construction buildout on your site so that you get the best orientation to facilitate receiving the most energy into your system.

#### **Lessons Learned**

- Average usage of electricity inside the treatment plant is equal to 126,741 kWh/month
- Check eligibility of solar system for state sponsored rebates

### Site Security affected decision on what type of system to install







## PEMACO SUPERFUND SITE

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# Groundwater Pump & Treat Pilot Study Using Alternative Energy

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## **Project Overview**

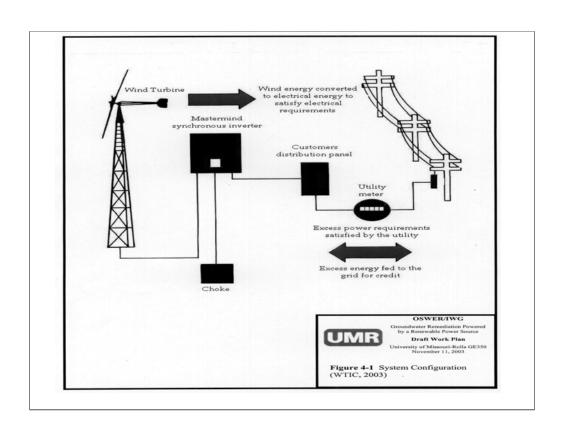
- > Short-term pilot study evaluating cost savings of alternative wind power.
- > Project duration of one year funded at \$300,000.
- Multiple organizations participating: EPA; Army Corps of Engineers, University of Missouri-Rolla, Bergy Wind Systems, Inc.

## Study Goals

- Quantify the reduction of power requirements by comparison with historic power use data.
- Calculate the mass of VOCs removed during the demonstration period.
- > Identify system enhancements and recommend new follow-on studies.

# System Details

- > 10 kilowatt wind turbine with grid-inter-tie system.
- > 100 foot lattice tower with guy wires and warning lights.
- > Groundwater circulation well (GCW) for water conservation.



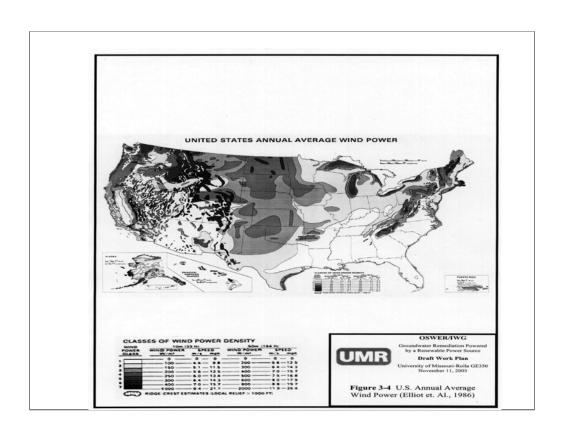
## A Green Technology

- Renewable wind energy powers the system with potential net-metering and solar/battery enhancements.
- > Conservation of groundwater using GCW approach.
- > Fossil fuels conserved and emissions reduced.



## Why Nebraska?

- > Favorable wind conditions 14.4 mile per hour mean intensity.
- > Favorable Geology highly transmissive Pleistocene sand and gravel deposits.
- > Many contaminated sites.



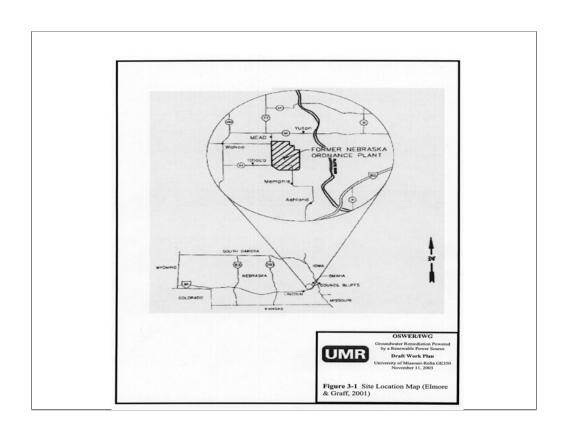


## Wind Energy Facts

- Most rapid growing source of electricity and projected lowest cost within a decade.
- > 1/3 rd. of the U.S. has Class 3 or higher wind intensity (Class 2 is the minimum).
- > Wind energy potential is proportional to velocity cubed (2 x v = 8 x power).

#### Nebraska Ordnance Plant Site

- > 17,000 acres in east-central Nebraska, Saunders County.
- > 1942 1956, munitions production and storage for WWII and Korean Conflict.
- > 1959 1964, Atlas Missile construction and maintenance.
- > Four VOC and explosives plumes.



#### Site Groundwater Facts

- > 23 billion gallons of groundwater over 6,000 acres.
- > 4 groundwater plumes (2 with explosives and 2 with VOCs)
- ➤ Todd Valley, ancestral Platte River Stream Channel, 81 157 feet of alluvial overburden Pleistocene deposits.

### **Historic GCW Facts**

- > 12 inch diameter well, 24 inch boring.
- > 50 gallons per minute pump rate, 26 million gallons annually.
- > Annual power usage of 28,000 kilowatt hours.
- > Annual power cost of \$1,800.

# Estimated Versus Actual Savings

- > 36 % of GCW power demands expected to be met by alternative energy, 26% actual.
- ➤ Estimated annual savings of \$780 and the generation of 12,00 kWh, actual savings of \$547 and 8,422 kWh generated.
- ➤ Total capital costs of \$38,000 recovered in 69 years of operation versus 49 years estimated.

#### 30 Year Environmental Gains

- > 169 tons of greenhouse gasses eliminated.
- > \$16,400 power savings (not inflation adjusted and \$0.065 per kWh assumed).
- > \$22,740 power savings (not inflation adjusted and \$0.09 kWh assumed).







