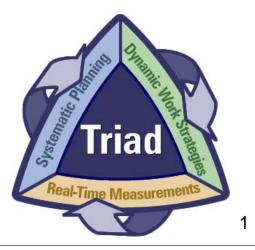
Triad Best Management Practices Part 2 – Dynamic Work Strategies Case Studies

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Technical Session Objectives

- Provide case study examples of dynamic work strategies (DWS) used under a Triad approach
- Expose participants to the benefits of DWS
 - »Highlight how adaptive DWS are used to compress field efforts, make decisions, and target uncertainties in real-time
 - »Limit mobilizations, work plans, reports
- Demonstrate how sequencing of activities and integrated use of mid-level/senior staff and vendors/contractors can optimize performance



Dynamic Work Strategies

- Pre-defined field-based decisions, adaptive sampling
 » Provide decision framework, logic diagrams, rules
 - » Real-time, near real-time, recent time data
- Requires regular and reliable communication
 - » Data management, CSM presentation and updates
 - » Stakeholder participation, QA/QC defined
- Eliminate multiple work plans, mobilizations, reports, continued data gaps
 - » In and out of field is OK if you lessen interim document requirements

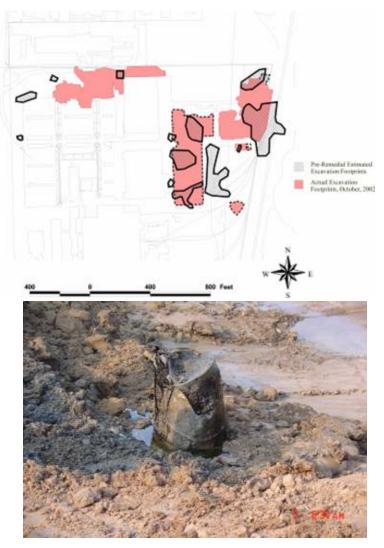


Experience Has Demonstrated that Cleanup Work is Filled with Uncertainty

- Hog-and-haul for contaminated sediments and soils
 - » Removed volumes always greater (e.g., 2-3 times) than those estimated during the design phase

Complicates:

- » Program planning
- » Cost estimation
- » Remedial design and implementation





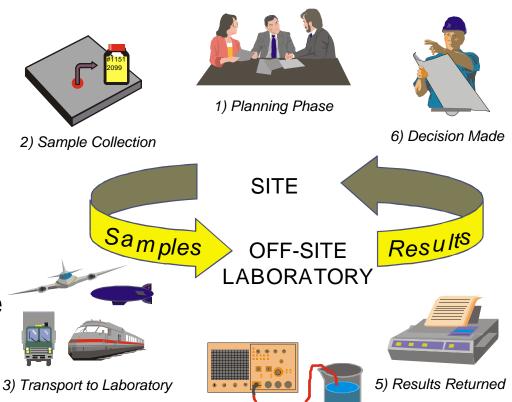
Standard Sampling and Analysis Programs are Expensive & Problematic

Characteristics:

- Preplanned Sampling
- Off-Site Lab Analyses

Problems:

- High cost per sample
- Surprise results
- Pressure to over-sample
- Multiple trips to the field





The Alternatives Go by Many Names...

- Observational Approach (geotechnical engineering)
- Adaptive Sampling and Analysis Programs (ANL)
- Expedited Site Characterization (ANL)
- Sequential sampling programs
- Directed sampling programs
- EPA Technology Innovation Program's Triad Approach





...But All Share Common Themes

- Systematic Planning (pulling together all information for a site to influence sampling program design, including specification of exactly what decision needs to be made)
- Operation of the second strategies (and the second strategies of the
- "Real-Time" Measurements (providing data quickly enough to influence the outcome of the program)



Adaptive Sampling and Analysis Programs Can Cut Costs Significantly

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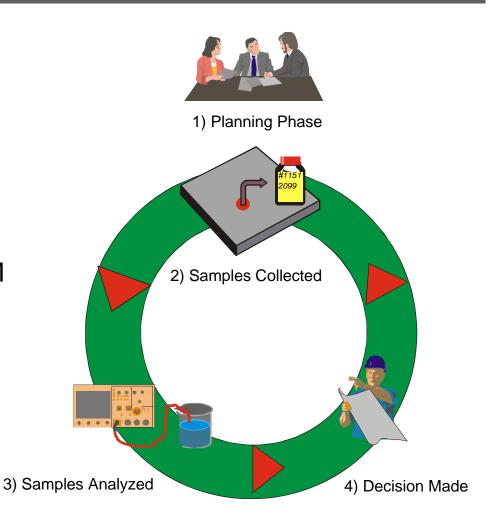
- Real-time sample analysis
- Rapid field decision-making

Advantages:

- Reduce cost per sample
- High density of information
- Targeted sampling- better CSM
- Reduce # of programs
- Achieve better characterization

Requirements:

- Real-time method
- Decision support in the field





Dynamic Work Strategies

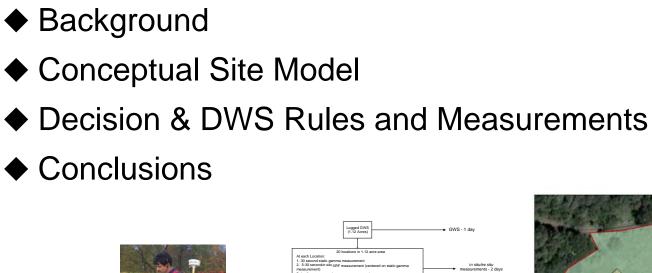
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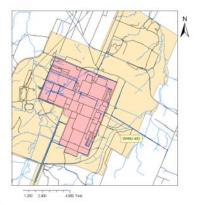
Demonstration Project Department of Energy Site





Dynamic Work Strategy Project





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Streams and Ditch

SAMU-492

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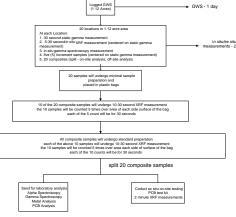
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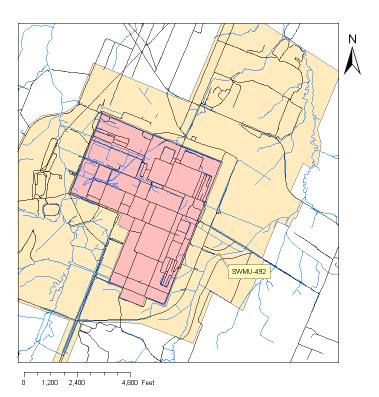


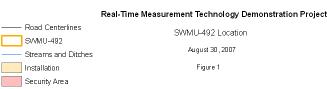
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ement Technology Demonstration Project

Site Background

- Site involved with uranium enrichment
- Primary target is Uranium and PCBs in soils (in historical samples)
- Four different real-time technologies:
 - » XRF for metals (including uranium)
 - » Test kits for PCBs
 - » GPS-logged gamma walkover surveys, and
 - » In situ gamma spectroscopy
- Multiple phases
 - » Characterization/Classification
 - » Remediation/Excavation
 - » Verifying compliance of site & waste







Background – Participants

- ♦ U.S. Department of Energy
- ♦ U.S. Environmental Protection Agency





Background – Project

- Plan: Do within 10 day timeframe
- With:
 - » Gamma Walkover Survey (Nal Fiddler; 2 sec)
 - » High Purity Germanium detector
 - » X-Ray Fluorescent Detector (in-situ, bagged, cups)
 - » Assay kits (PCBs)
 - Robotic position determination (LARADS total station)
- Demonstrate integrated DWS and Evaluate















Closure Strategy Modeled After MARSSIM Guidance

- Class 1, 2, and 3 area concepts used
 - » Class 1 1,000 m²
 - » Class 2 800 m²
 - » Class 3 2,700 m²
- Data collection graded by area classification
- Demonstrating compliance with both area-averaged cleanup goals and hot spot levels

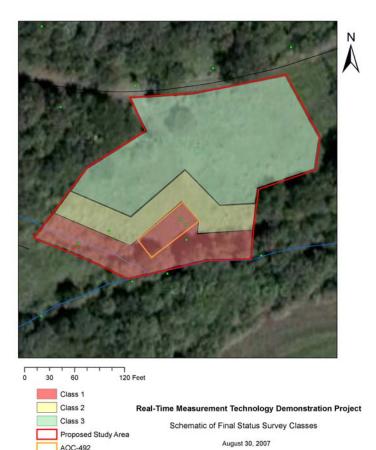


Figure 5

Streams and Ditches

Road Centerlines



Proposed Field Work Use a Variety of Dynamic Work Strategies

- Targeting specific locations for more intensive sampling
- Carving site into smaller areas where data collection can be customized based on degree of contamination concerns
- Deploying adaptive compositing strategies
- Supporting real-time decision-making during excavation
- Implementing targeted off-site laboratory QC and verification analyses
- Optimizing data collection performance (e.g., how many samples to composite during adaptive compositing, how many XRF measurements to take for bagged samples, best XRF measurement acquisition times, etc.)
- Consolidating characterization, excavation, and closure data collection into one field effort



Conceptual Site Model

♦ COC's

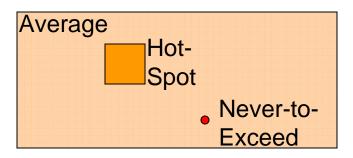
- » Uranium & PCB's
- » Collocated in historical samples
- Sedimentation
 - » Class 1, 2 & 3 Areas from Creek
 - » Areas:
- Teenager Recreational Use

		Demonstration Project Hot Spot Level	Detection Limits ⁶					
	Demonstration Project Level		GW S	<i>in situ</i> HPGe	XRF 7	Test Kit ⁴	Standard Laboratory ³	
PCB (low risk)	3.64 ppm	33 ppm	NA ²	NA	NA	0.5 ppm	0.1 ppm	
U-238	3.64 pCi/g	33 pCi/g	30 pCi/ g	3 pCi/g	6 pCi/ g	NA	2 pCi/g	



Concentration Limits

- Average over unit (L)
- Hot-Spot (9*L over a 25 m² area)
- Never to Exceed (30*L
 for discrete samples)









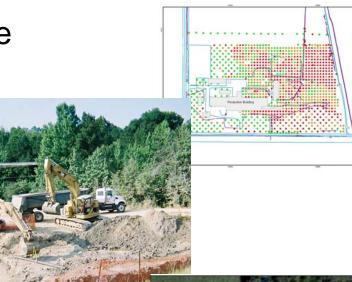
DWS for Decisions

General Presence or Absence

Guide Excavation

» Unit about 25 m²

- Verify Release of Site and Waste
- Type I error rate (contaminated but declared clean) = 0.1
- Type II error rate (clean but declared contaminated) = 0.2







Significant Data Collection Will Take Place Within Small Window of Time

- Logged GWS of study area, data used to:
 - » break study area into three general areas for closure purposes
 - Identify up to 20 locations for targeted sampling/measurement acquisition (XRF, in situ HPGe, test kits analyses)
- Data collected from 20 locations used to:
 - » interpret GWS results
 - gain understanding about short-scale heterogeneity associated with contaminated soils
- Implement adaptive compositing strategies for Class 1 and Class 2 areas
 - » target PCB hot spot concerns (looking for 25 m2 areas)
 - compositing more aggressive in Class 2 areas, less so in Class 1
 - » screening using real-time techniques, verification with lab analyses
- Support excavation work in areas known to exceed no action level
 - » support precise excavation through dig-face screening





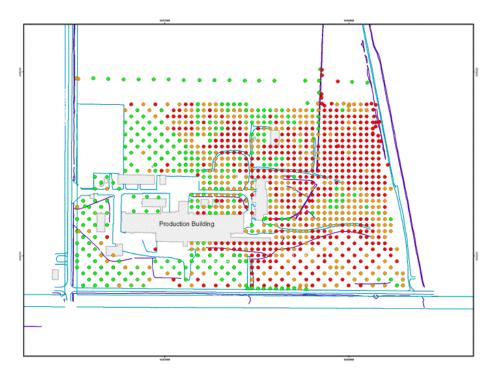
Estimated Number of Measurements

	GWS Data Points	XRF Measurements ¹	In Situ HPGe Measurement	Sample Increments	Test Kit PCB Analysis	Laboratory Analysis
Initial Walkover Biased Sampling	~5,000	320	20	100	20	20
Closure Data Collection	0	20/30	0	400	20/30	20/30
Soil Removal Support Data Collection	0/1,000	0/320	0/20	0/100	0/20	0/20
QA/QC ² Requirements	20	120	0	0	20	0 ³
Total:	~6,000	460/790	20/40	500/600	60/90	40/70



General Presence or Absence

- ♦ GWS over Class 1, 2 & 3 areas
 - » Resolution about 1 m2
 - » Use raw and 25 m2 movingwindow average
 - » Within 24 hours
 - classify subunits in each for Class 1, 2 & 3 units
 - Decide about need, number, and location of discrete samples
 - Decide about need and location of excavation



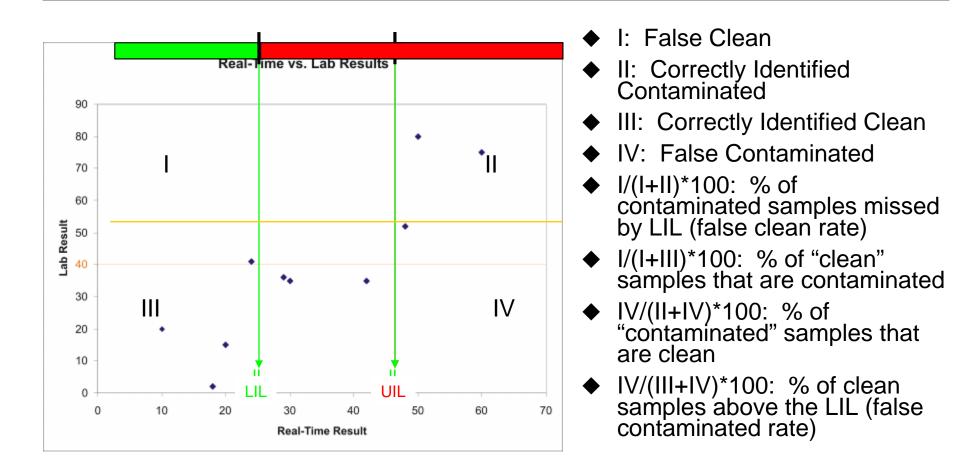


General Presence or Absence

- ♦ Discrete Sample Analysis
 - » Decide within 24 hours of GWS
 - » 20 discrete measurements biased towards higher GWS measurements
 - In situ XRF (5 half minute readings within 1 m2)
 - Spatial variability, Collocated metals
 - In situ HPGe (<20 minute; uncollimated; 15 cm height)
 - Determine other radionuclides (e.g., at background)
 - 30 Second Nal Fiddler
 - A composite Five-Increment Soil Sample (ICSS) from location
 - 10 chosen for XRF bagged analysis after minimal prep (10 x 30s)
 - All undergo standard prep and XRF; then split to:
 - Lab: beta, alpha, gamma spectrometry & metals analysis
 - Onsite: XRF cup analysis (120 s) & PCB test kits
 - Assist in quantitative interpretation of GWS



Develop DWS Upper and Lower Levels

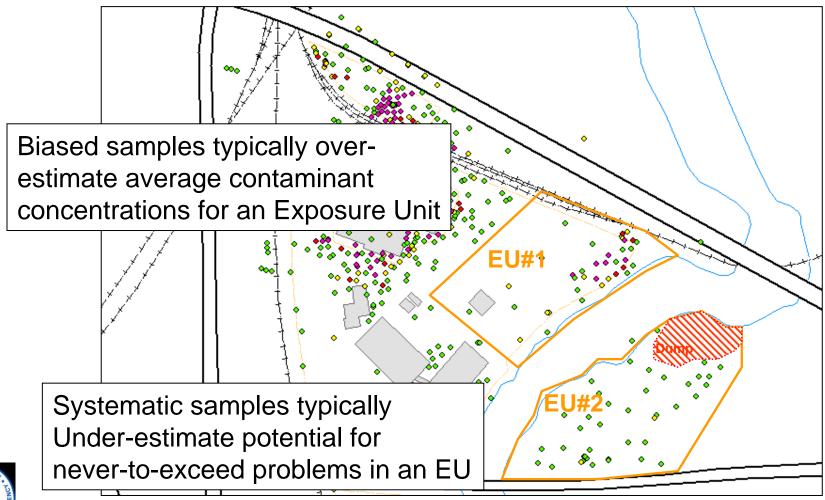




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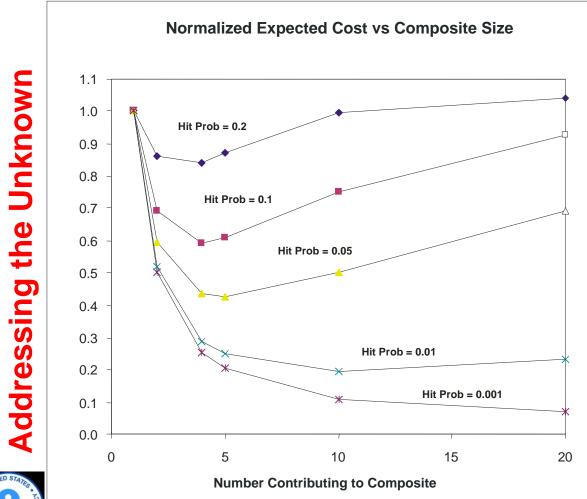
False Contaminated Rate: 0%

Bias Your Answer by Biasing Your Sampling Approach...





How Many Samples to Composite?



- A function of the probability of contamination being present
- The less likely contamination is present, the larger the number of samples to composite
- Graph at left shows the case when one has 20 sampled locations



Supporting Excavation

Combine

»Initial GWS (1m²) determines targeted areas

»From each 25 m² targeted area:

- -5 x 30 s Fidler measurements
- -5 x 30 s XRF measurements
- -HPGe
- -ICSS formed XRF cup; PCB test kit; lab



Supporting Final Status Unit Closure

- Some Measures Concurrent with Excavation
- ♦ Class 1: 40 x 25 m² areas
- ◆ ICSS-5 within each area
- Split into two:
 - » Archived
 - » Combined with ICSS from 4 others areas (CSS)
 - Split for traditional off-site analysis and on-site XRF and PCB test kits
 - Tested for levels of 20% of hot spot criteria
 - If greater: each ICSS tested; identify area; clean later
 - Average tested (over the 200 sample locations; 8 measurements)



Class 2 & 3

- Similar strategy
 - »Class 2:
 - -8 ICSS samples in each CCS
 - -4 measures; 160 sampling locations
 - »Class 3:
 - -8 random sampling areas of 25 m² selected
 - -ICSS formed along with HPGe measurement



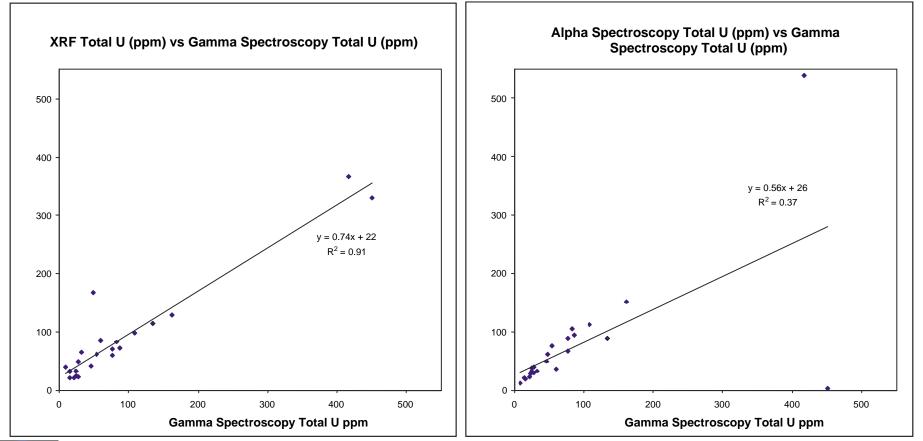
Conclusions

- An integrated DWS over activities (classification, excavation, & verification) and measures (gamma, XRF, test kits) was planned and executed.
- What actually happened?
- What is the path forward?

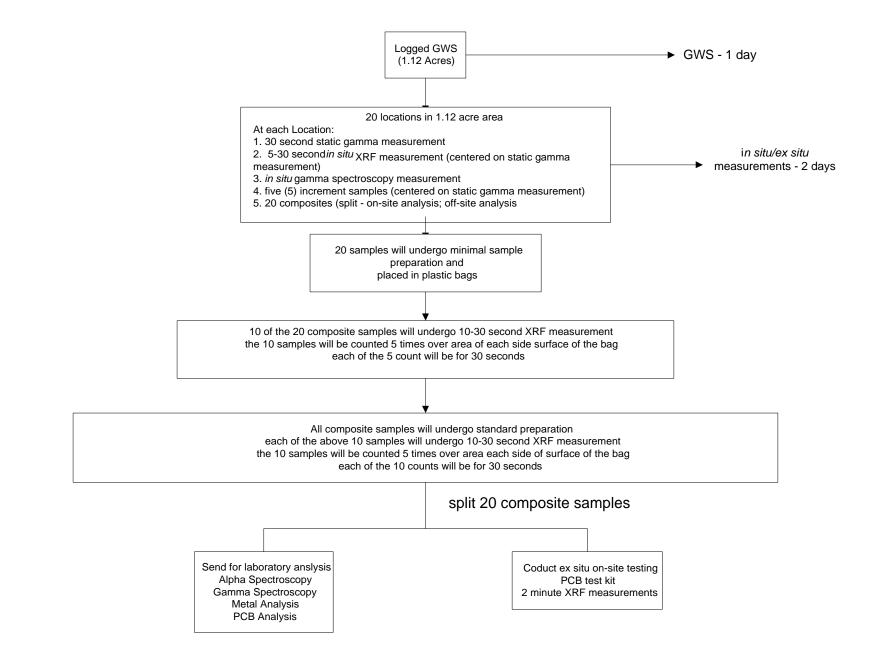


Definitive Data, Please Stand Up!

Set of samples analyzed with three different methods for uranium, via XRF (bagged samples), gamma spectroscopy (sample prep, but no extraction), and alpha spectroscopy (sample prep with extraction required)

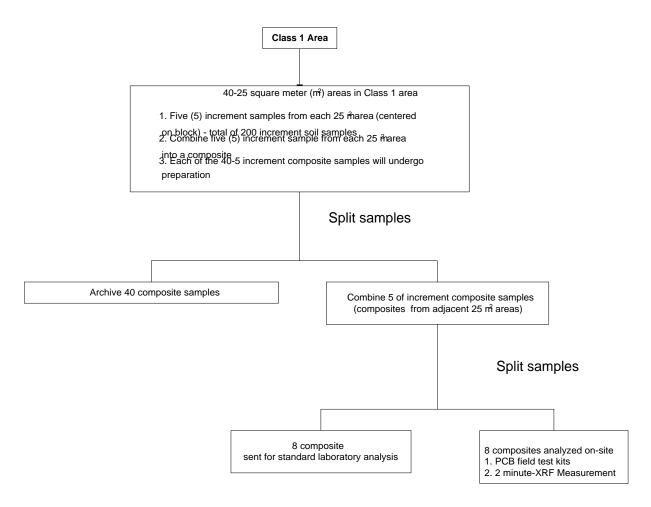








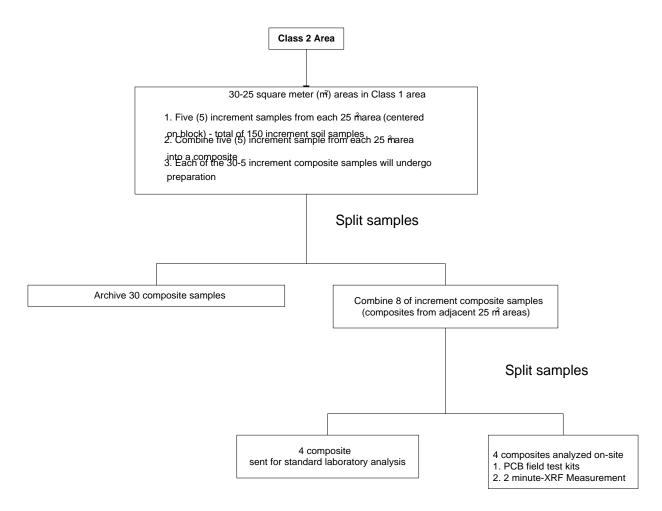
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- 2. Sample preparation will occur simultaneoulsy with sample

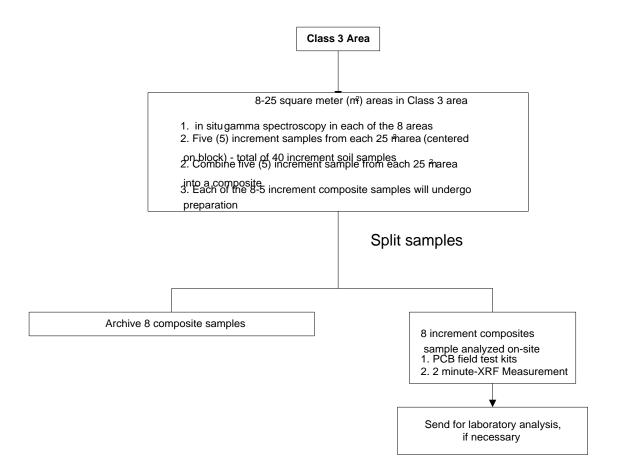
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- 1. Will need to collect 60-65 samples per day (2.5 days)
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- 1. Will need to collect 1 days
- 2. Sample preparation will occur simultaneoulsy with sample

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The Poudre River Site

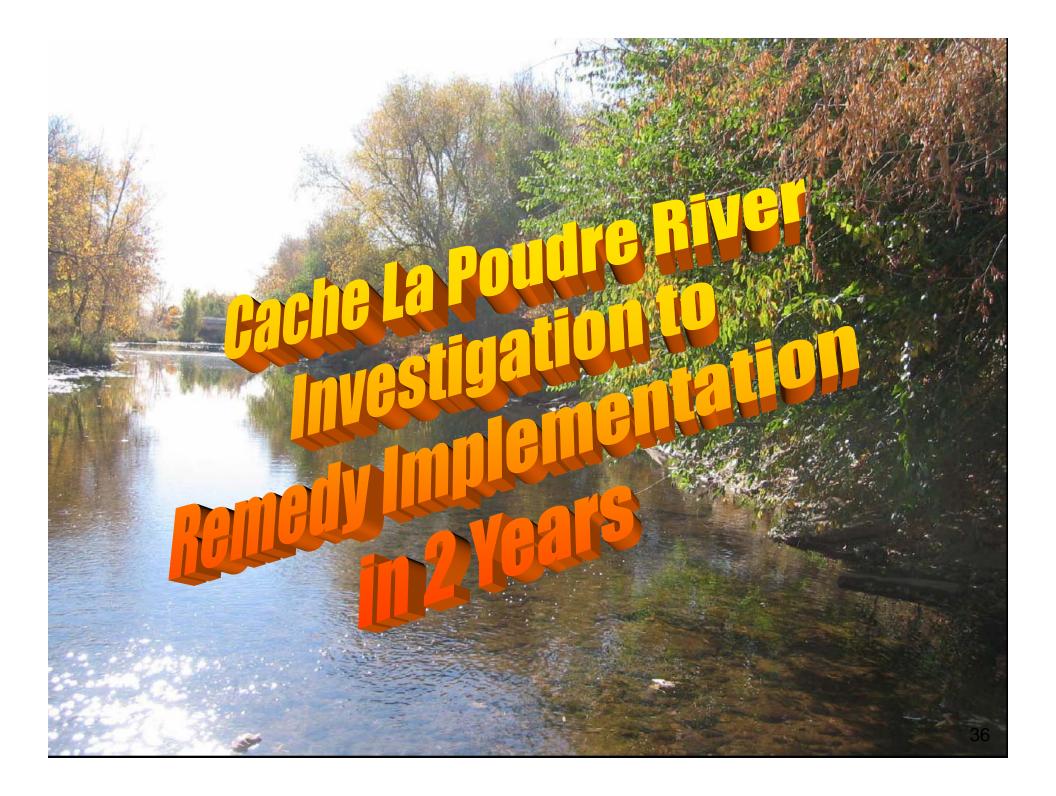
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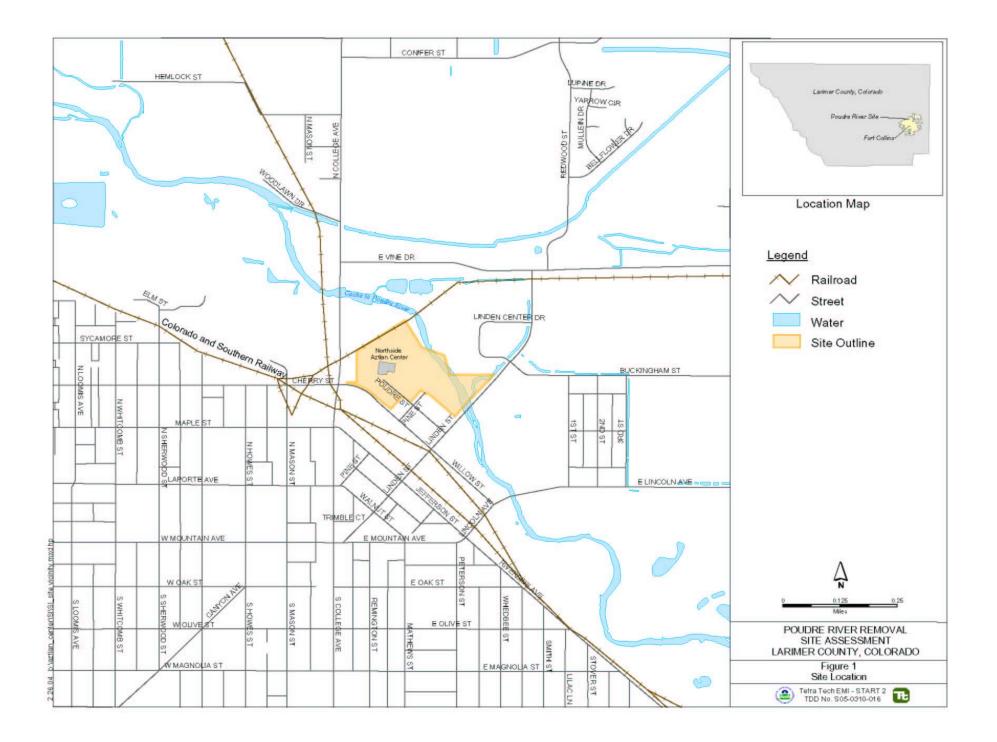




Poudre River Site - History

- 19 Acre Site 12 acre former municipal burn landfill down gradient from MGP and USTs, next to city center
- 1995 NFRAP (No Further Remedial Action Planned) by EPA. Some dissolved TPH contaminants but lack of detections in surface water and sediment, no source areas identified.
- ◆ 2000 City of Fort Collins obtains \$250K Brownfields grant
- City wants to relocate 20,000 sq ft community center on the old landfill, before it settled into the landfill
- City wants to build a new 50,000 sq ft recreation center on the Site
- Day care center located on the Site





September 2002: Contractor Notices "Oily" Material in the River (During Drought Conditions)







When Disturbed



Preliminary Conceptual Site Model

Issues of potential concern

» Black coal tar discovered in the river

» UST/MGP related dissolved plume

» Landfill closure

- Previous study results
 - » No apparent link between dissolved plume and observed contamination in river

» Insufficient data for landfill closure

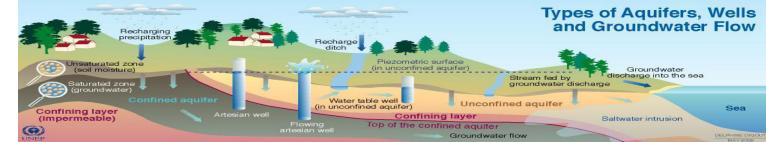
- Portions of the site studied by different PRPs for 5 years with differing goals.
 - » No comprehensive CSM had been developed!

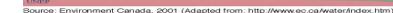


» Dynamic work strategies never employed!

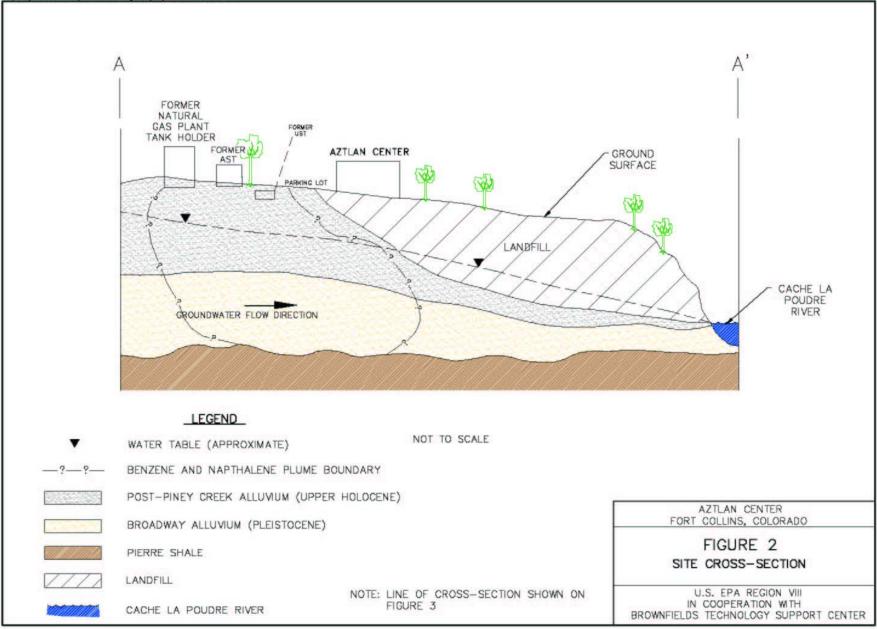
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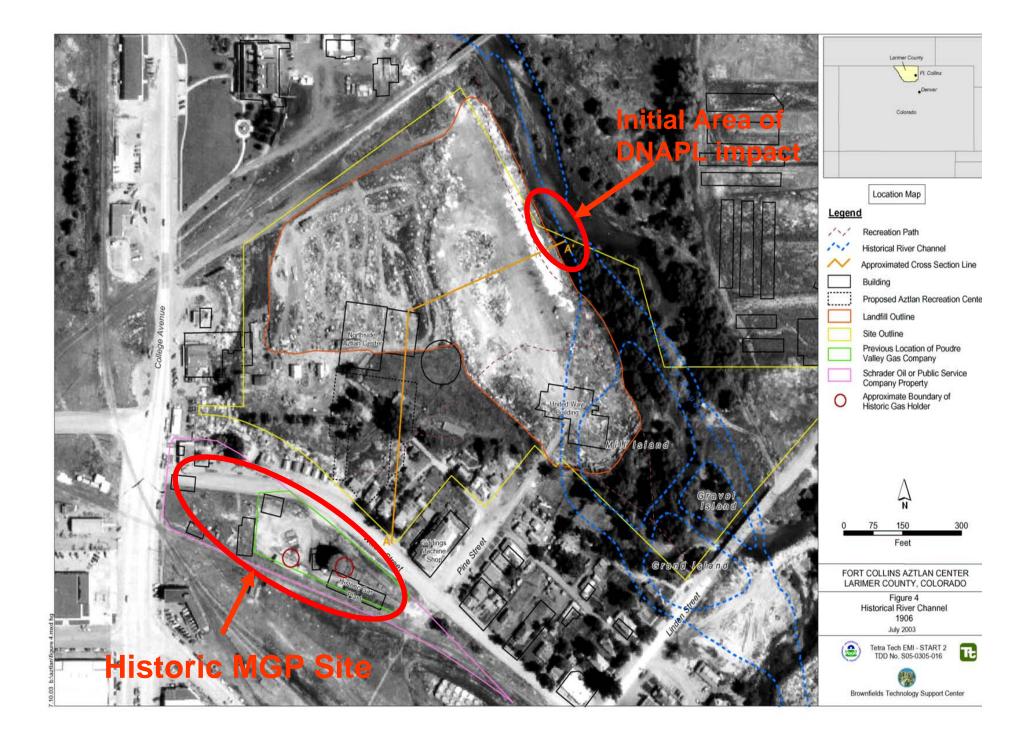
- Site adjacent to meandering river
- Landfill covers the site to a depth of 7 to 18 ft bgs with ground water at 13 to 17 ft bgs
- Landfill underlain by sandstone bedrock
- Beneath the sandstone is the Pierre Shale
- Topography of shale unknown
- Ground water discharges to river (gaining)











Differing CSMs by PRPs

During systematic planning we hear comments like...

- Stuff in the river is not the same as what was historically found at the up-gradient MGP"

- "That DNAPL is not mobile"
- "The dissolved plume is result of USTs"



Lot's of finger pointing



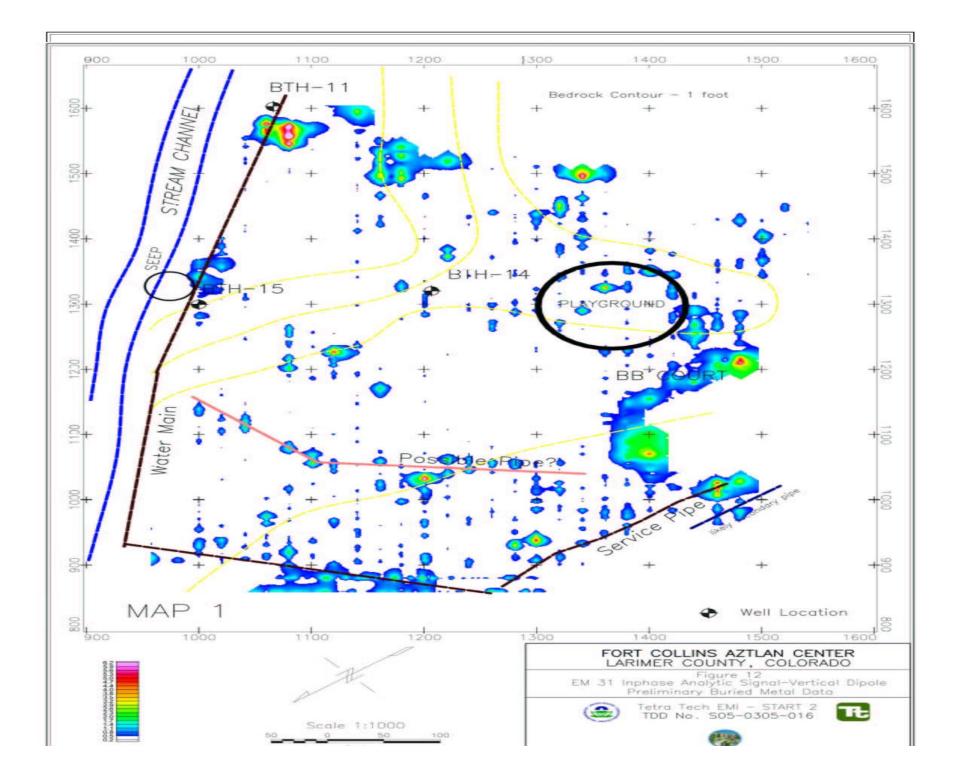
Targeted Brownfields Assessment Dynamic and Appropriately Sequenced

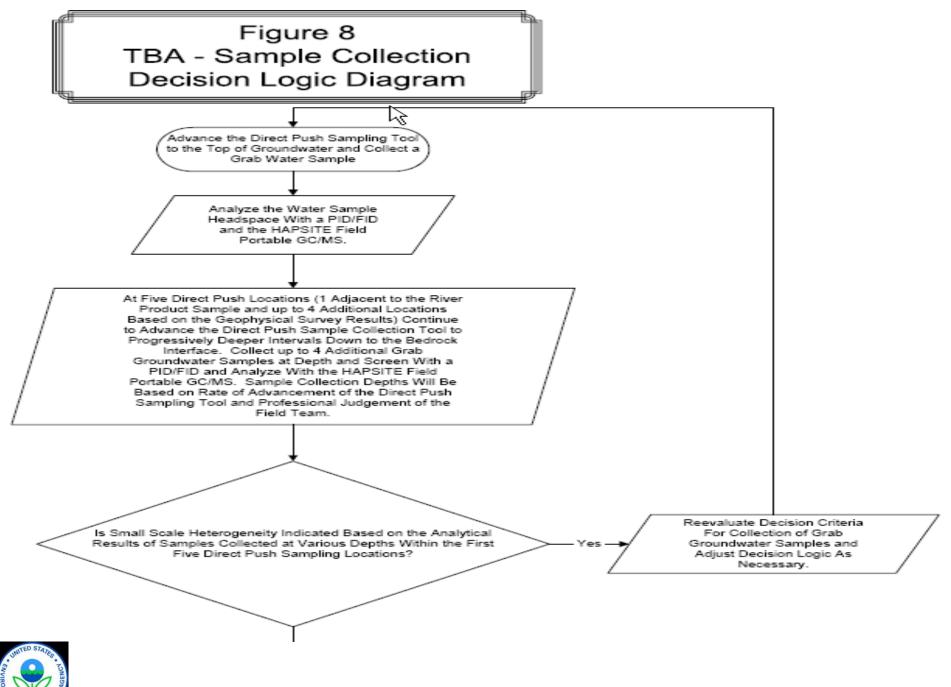
- ◆ Geophysics (EM 34 and EM 31)
- Direct push soil and ground water grabs
 - » 15 initial locations, 15+ dynamic locations
 - On-site modified GC/MS (8260) analysis
 - Off-site laboratory analysis
- Sampling of temporary small gauge wells and existing site monitoring wells (some by PRP consultants)
 - On-site modified GC/MS (8260) analysis
 - Off-site laboratory analysis
- Product fingerprinting- PAH ratios
- The CSM is refined and responsibility of various PRPs becomes clearer

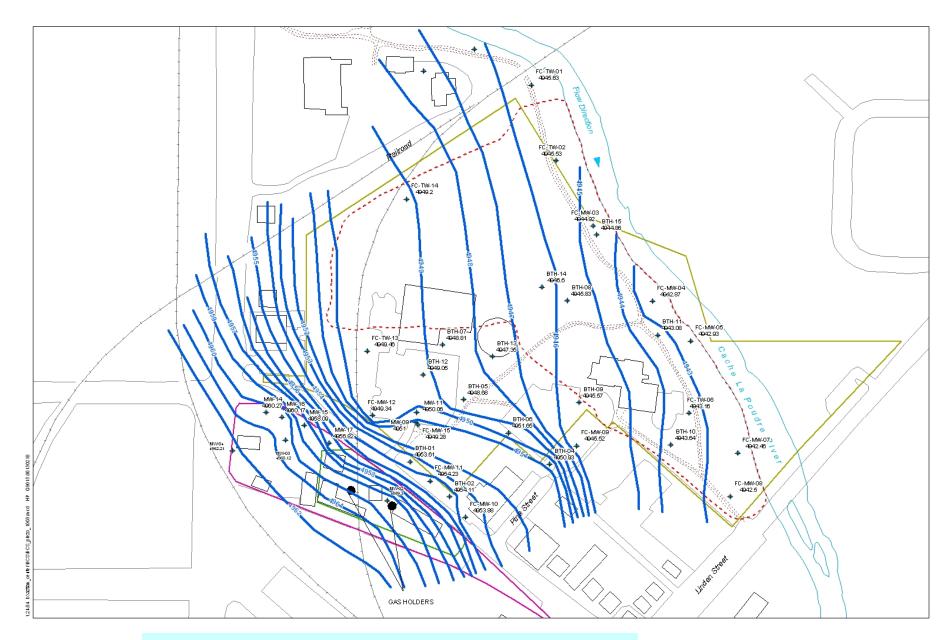


» Triggering action among various parties



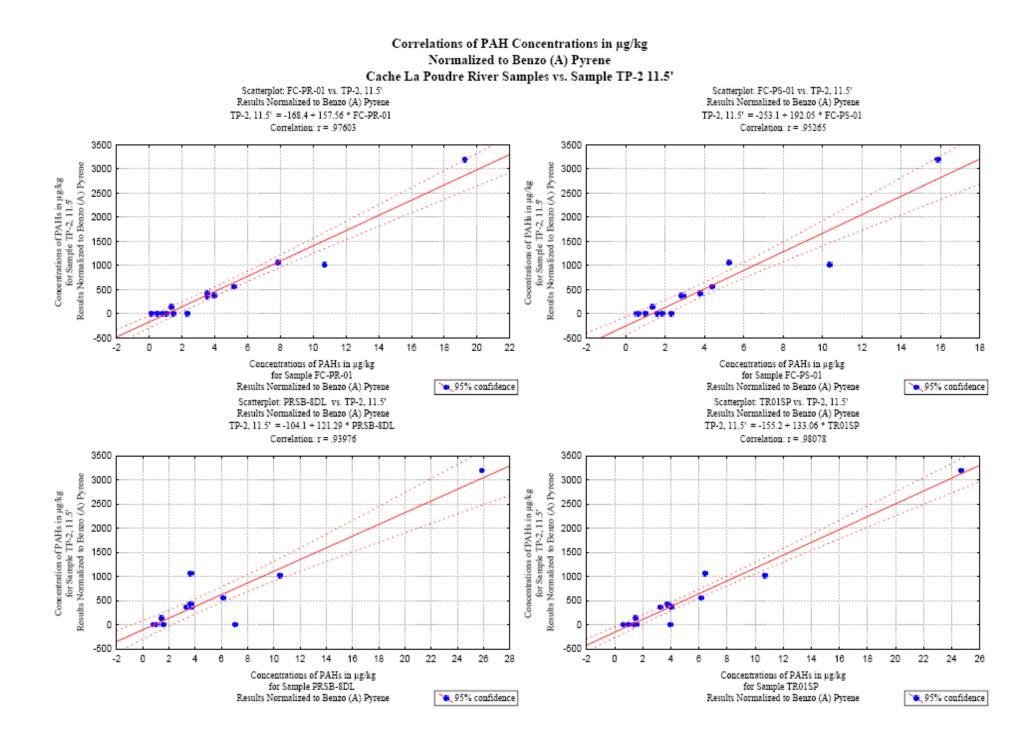


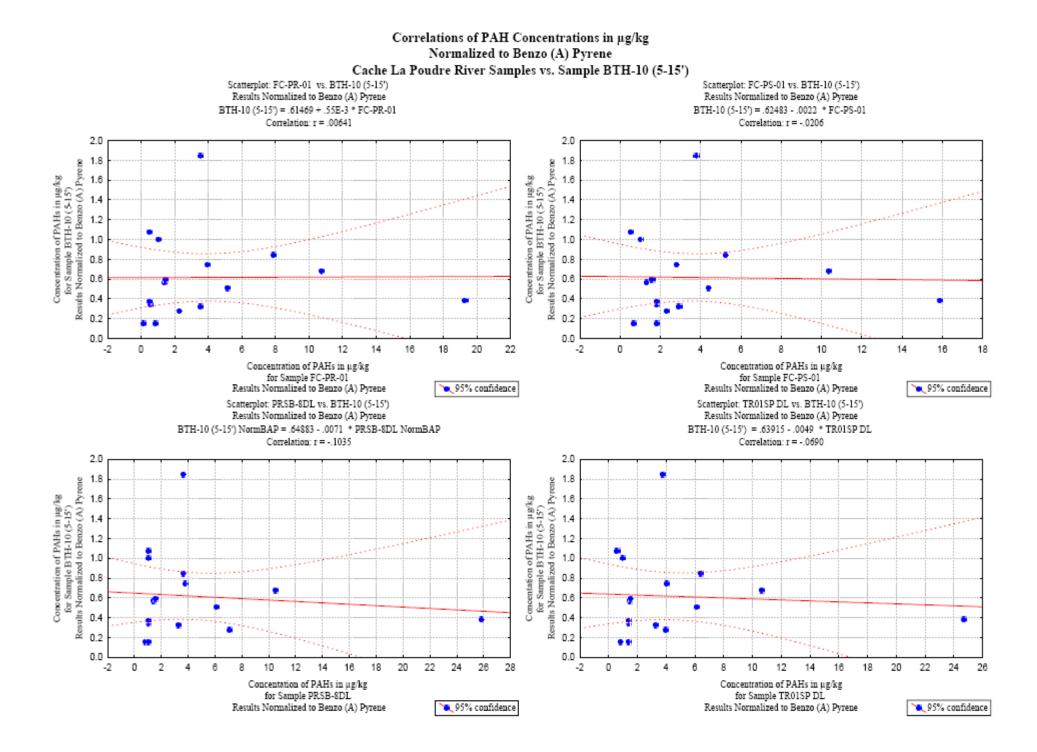




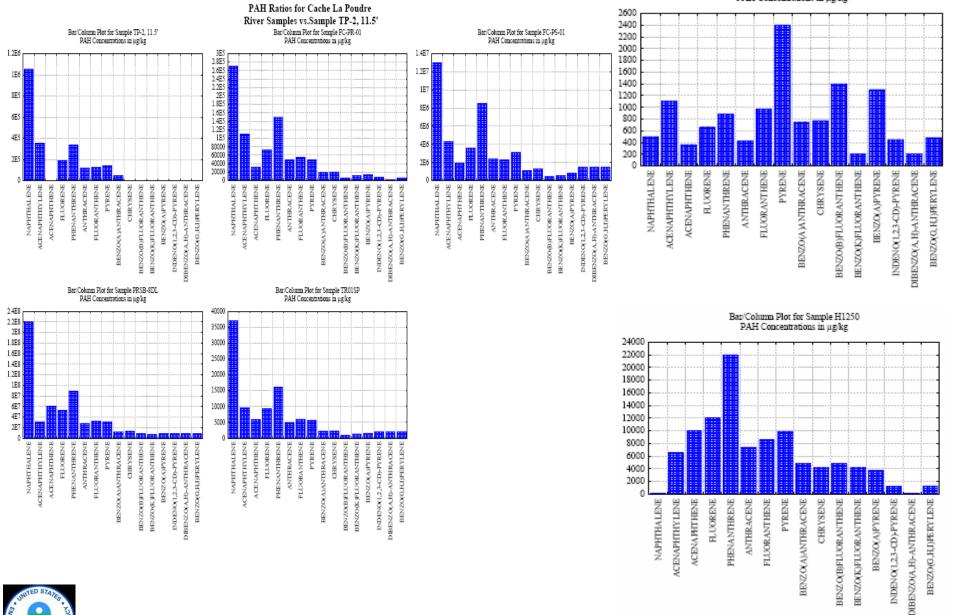


October 2003 Water Level Contours





Bar/Column Plot for Sample BTH-10 (5-15') PAH Concentrations in µg/kg

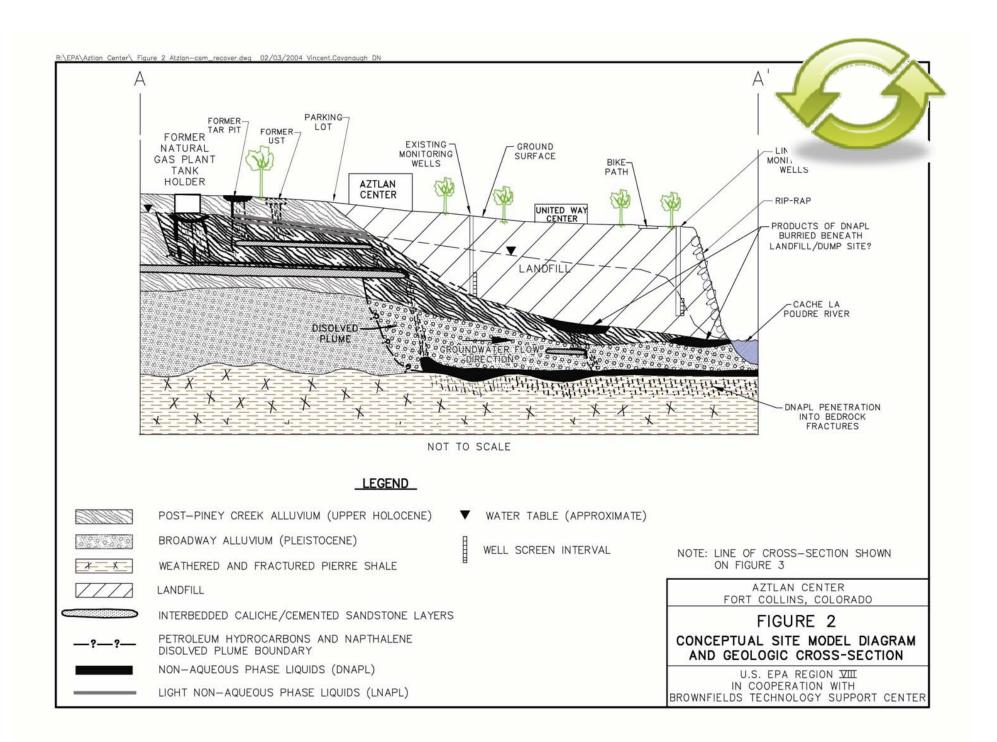


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- Geophysical survey pointed to limited potential for dumping spots beneath the landfill adjacent to the river
 - » Significant "coal tar" now flowing in river
- Direct push ground water grab samples indicated
 - » Dissolved plumes reach the river
 - » PCE in ground water not previously identified
 - Potential up-gradient source
 - Complicating formal closure of historic landfill
- Still no clear path for MGP waste migration to the river
- Only 2 of existing 17 site wells reached shale bedrock existing CSM (geology/bedrock surface) unclear
- City still very determined to make use of property
- Product fingerprinting sufficient to stimulate PRP action





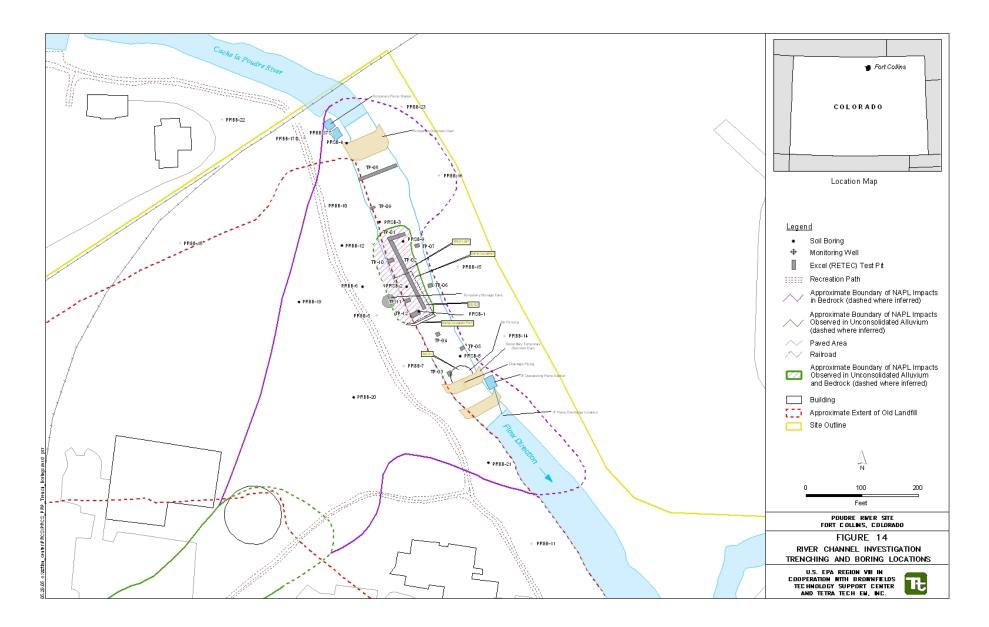
EPA Site Investigation (SI) and PRP River Investigation

- A PRP lead river investigation and EPA SI were planned and implemented simultaneously
- Drilling, stream diversions, and trenching was conducted by PRP along and in the river
- During the EPA SI:

» Passive soil gas (DMA and Survey)

- To target potential source areas
- » Bedrock drilling
- » Additional geophysical survey
 - Resistivity, map bedrock surface/competency
- » Passive diffusion bags were installed along the river
 - Shallow ground water to surface water pathway



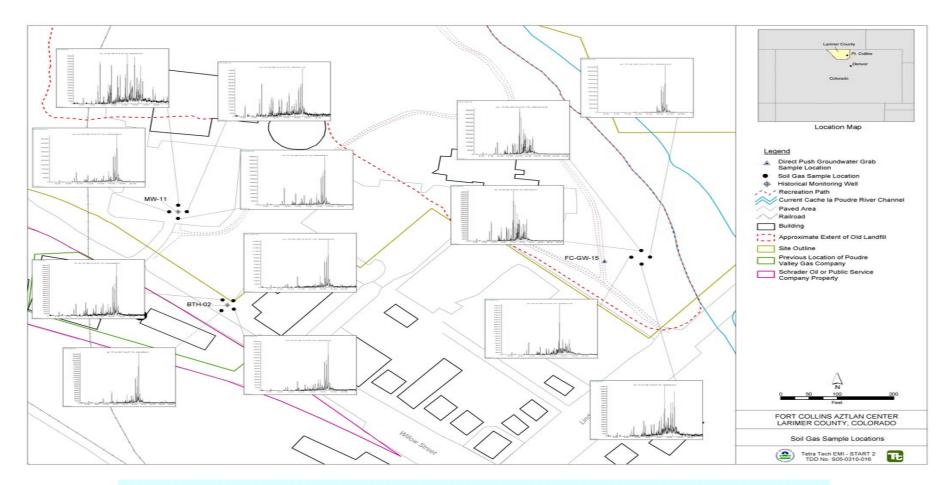








Demonstration of Methods Applicability for Soil Gas

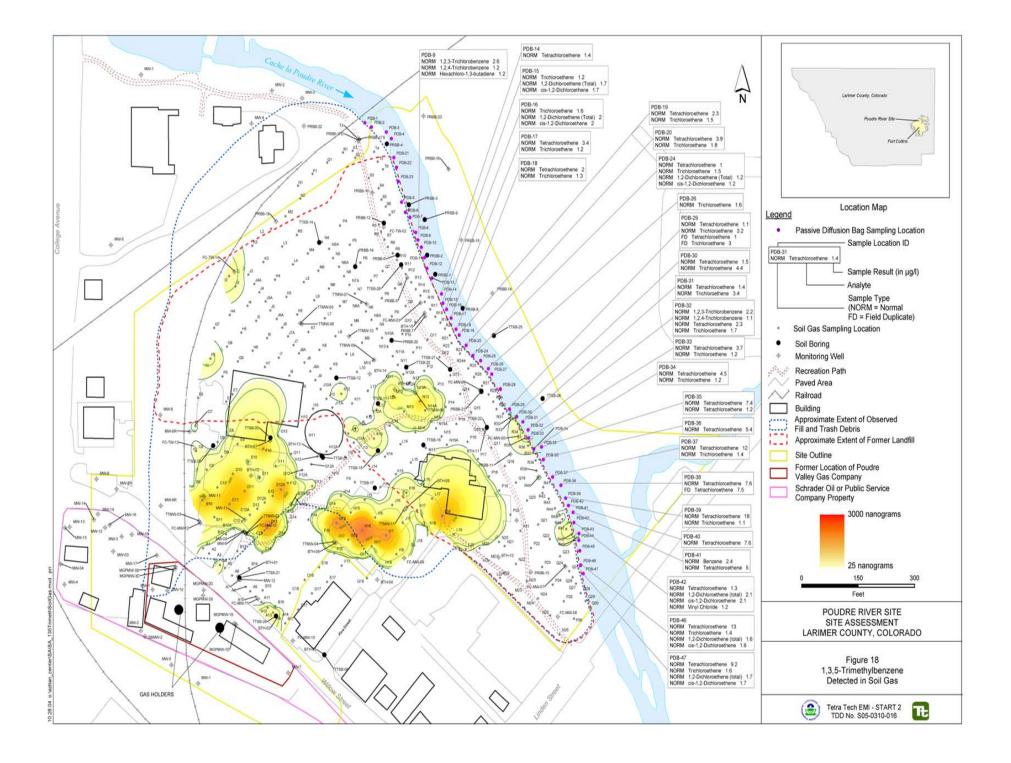


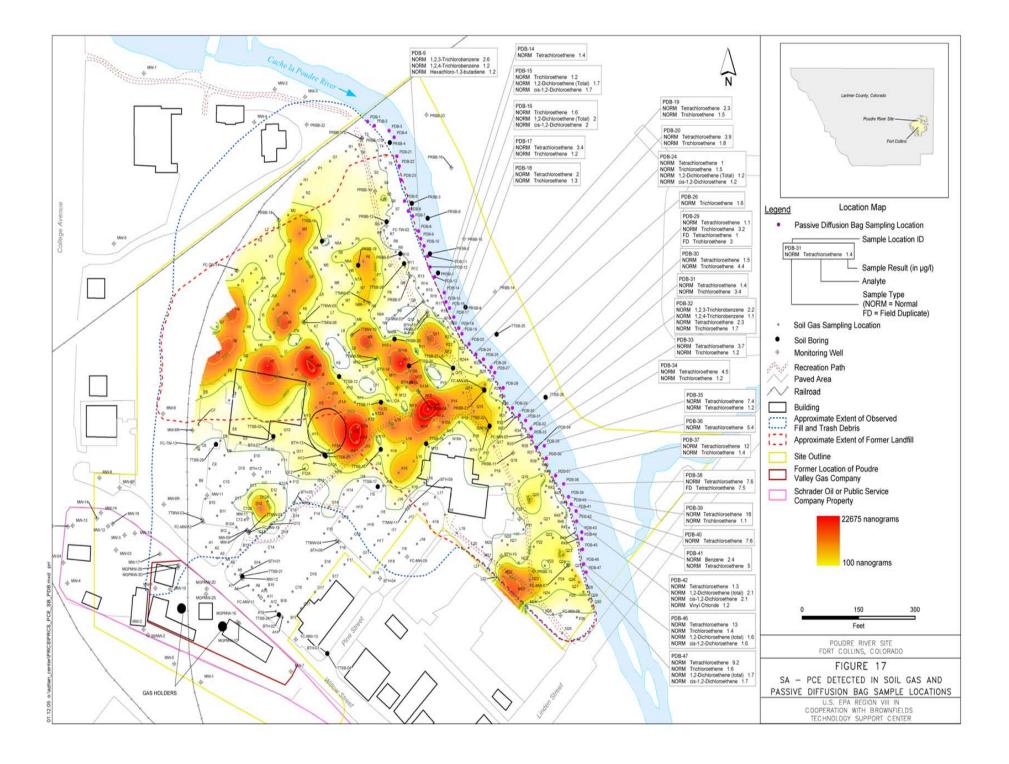


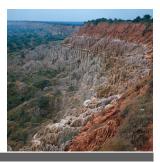
Soil Gas Sampling Locations and Chromatographs



Soil Gas Survey and Passive Bag Sampling Locations







- Results of soil gas, geophysics, and trenching used to drive dynamic bedrock investigation
- Augered bore holes were advanced in strategic areas optimized using collaborative information
 - »Presence of NAPL in bedrock evaluated using visual observations and UV light box
- Boreholes were advanced deep into the bedrock based on results of trenching into bedrock near the river





And We Found.....

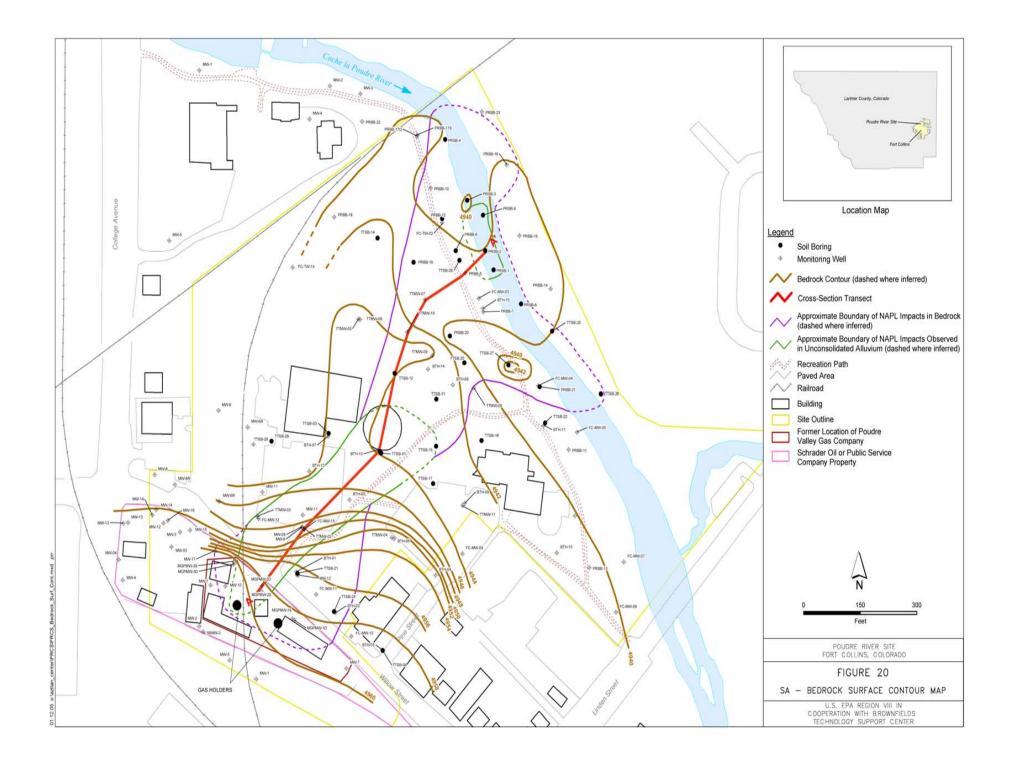
- NAPL on a number of auger flights
 - » Some boreholes filled with NAPL and material could be collected with bailers
- NAPL sank down through the alluvium into bedrock and flowed towards the river through fractures
- Near the river the upward flow of ground water moved NAPL to top of river bed sediments
- The NAPL- coal tar material from the MGP
 - » Mixed with gasoline and diesel components in some areas, increased mobility

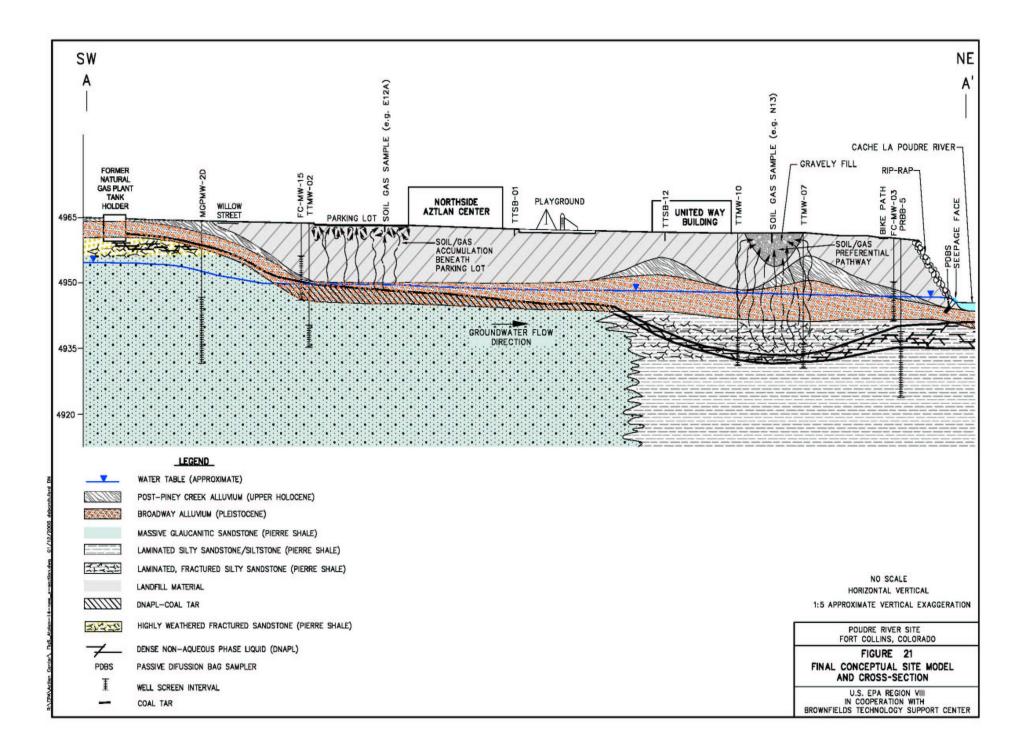


- ♦ NAPL in river sediments over a 300' stretch
- Underneath the river in the bedrock over a 600' stretch
- NAPL has migrated slightly past the river in deep bedrock (20-25' bgs) fractures
- "Them Beverly Hillbillies ain't got nothin' on us" M.Hentschel, City of FC







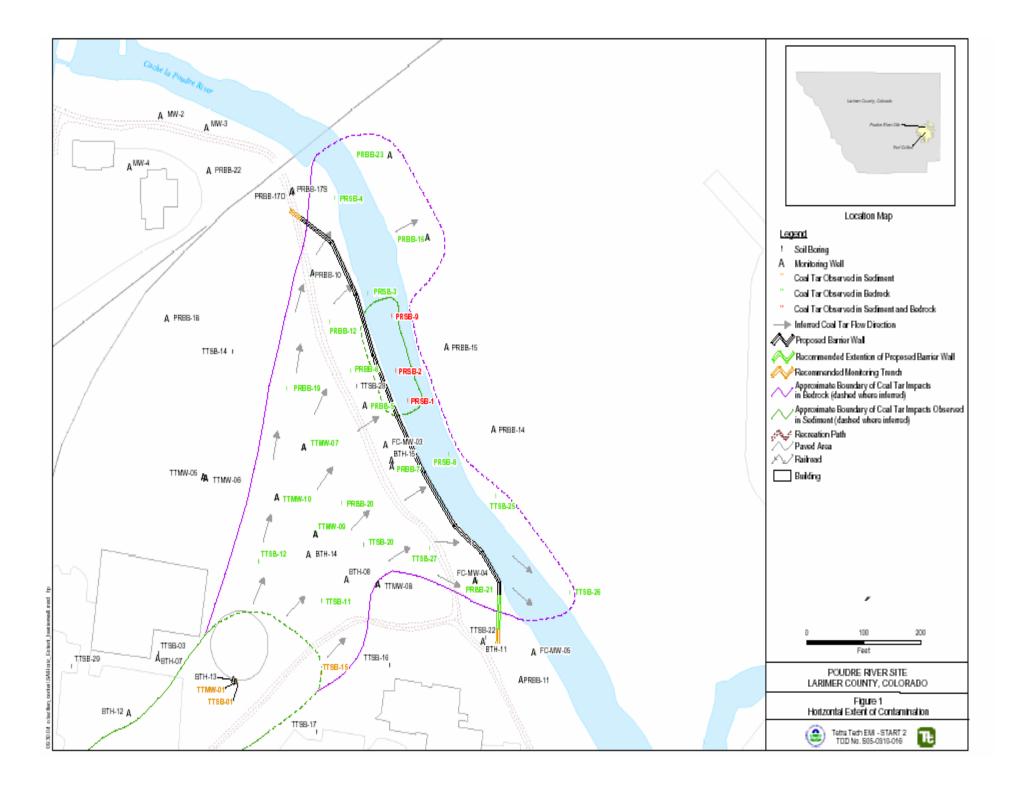


So... After Some Friendly Negotiations Stakeholders Decided To.....

- Excavate the contaminated sediments and bedrock in and underneath the river
- Install a vertical sheet pile barrier with hydraulic controls to intercept the NAPL
- Provide for long-term water treatment
- Not try to dig up the source area









Summary



- Characterization finished in less than 1 year
 - » Only possible with a good CSM, invested/involved stakeholders, and dynamic work strategies
- Remedy in place a year after completion of investigation
- Redevelopment of new recreation center completed in 2007
- Need for long term water treatment and or source removal will be evaluated based on data to be collected over the next 5 years

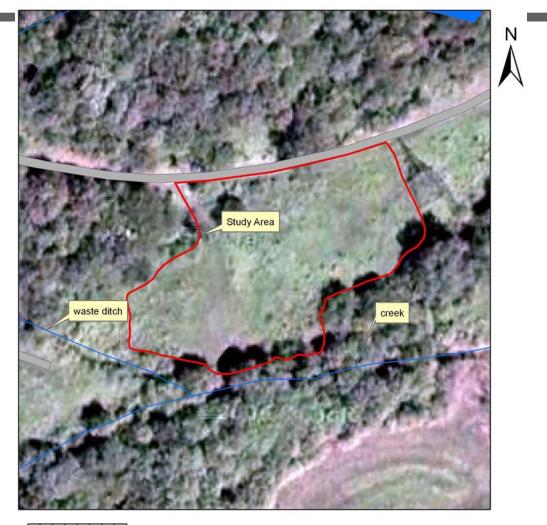






Study Area

- approximately 1 acre
- mostly grassland
- bordered by waste ditch on west and creek to the south
- concern is sediment spoils from ditch and creek
- spoils placement probably 20 to 30 years ago



100 Feet

25 50



Multiple Real Time Technologies Were Deployed

- Field Instrument for Detecting Low Energy Radiation (FIDLER) – uranium
- In Situ Gamma Spec uranium
- X-Ray Fluorescence uranium
- Abraxis Test Kits total PCBs

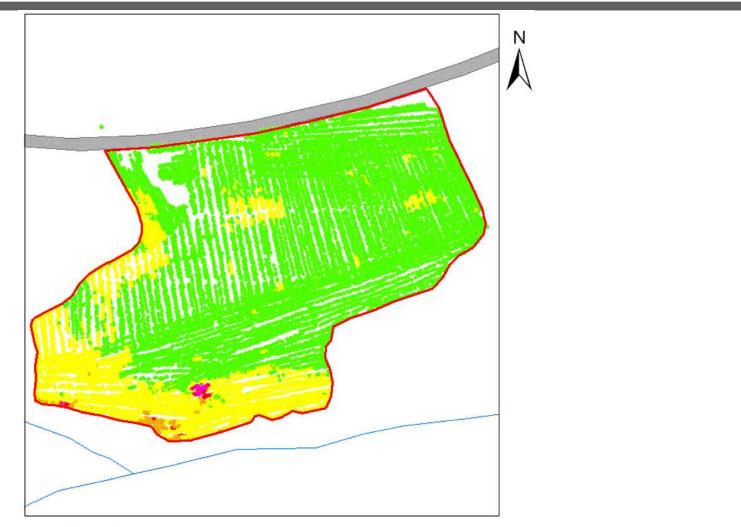






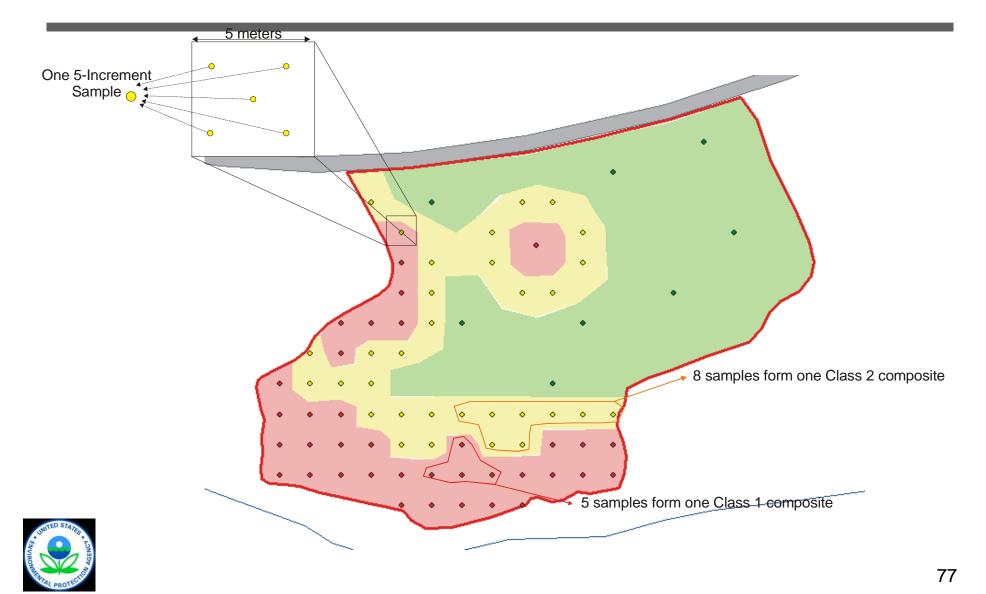


FIDLER Provided Insight Into Where Surface Contamination Might Be...





MI/Compositing Strategy...



Results...

- One Class 1 composite failed, requiring analysis of splits
- Rest passed, however the Class 1 exposure unit as a whole failed its average comparison
- 385 increments pulled, resulting in 77 MI samples, producing 18 composites for analysis, resulting in 23 XRF/PCB test kit analyses

