



#### PILOT TEST OF A DEEP HORIZONTAL INJECTION WELL TO TREAT HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM

THE PUCHACK WELL FIELD SUPERFUND SITE, PENNSAUKEN, NJ

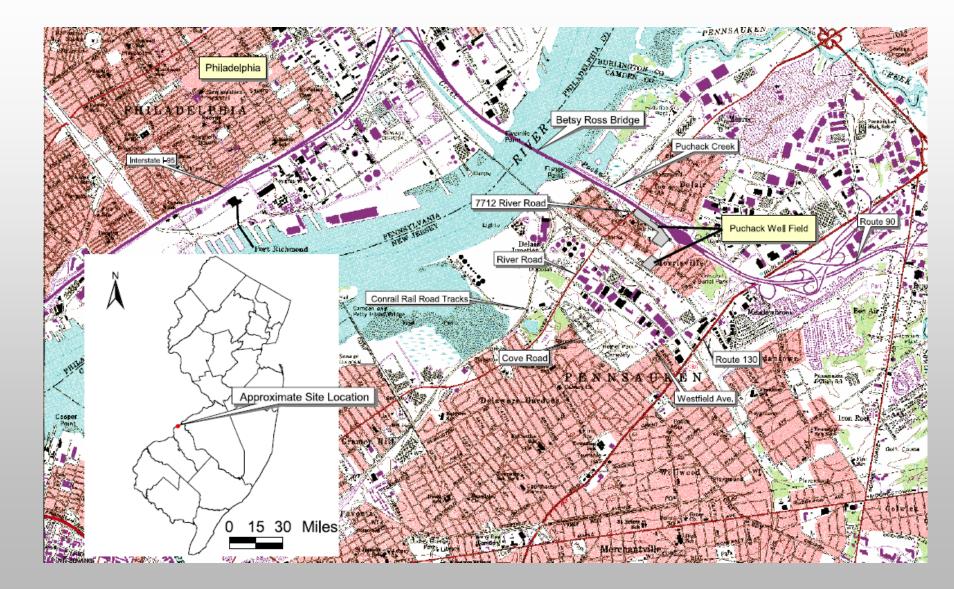
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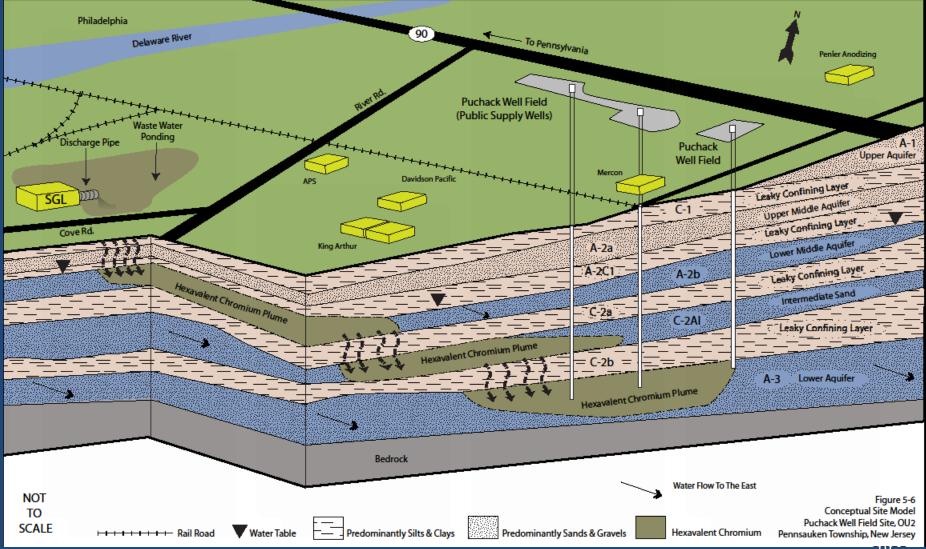
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#### **SITE LOCATION**

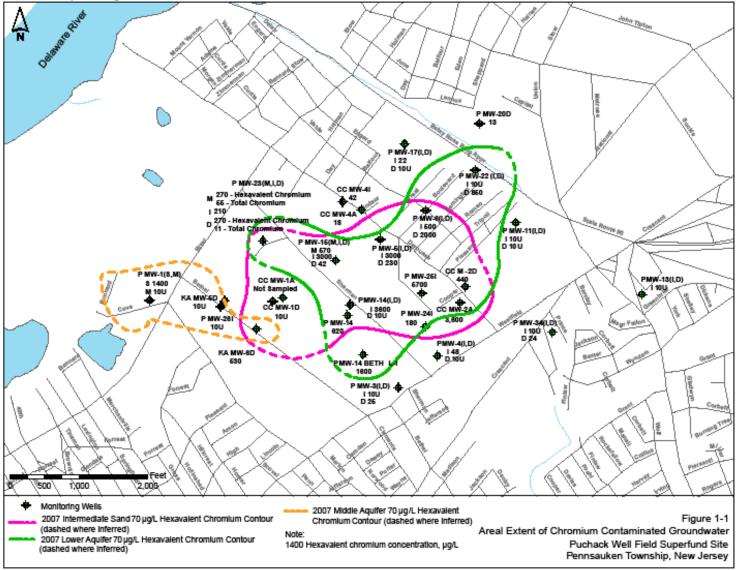


## Puchack Conceptual Site Model

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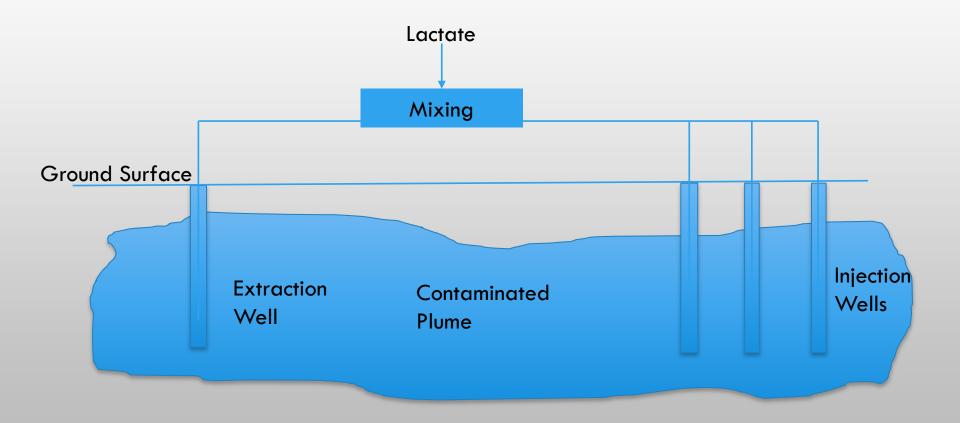


#### **EPA DECISION**

 GOAL: REDUCE THE LEVEL OF CHROMIUM IN THE GROUNDWATER TO MEET NEW JERSEY'S GROUNDWATER STANDARD FOR TOTAL CHROMIUM (70 UG/L)

• METHOD: REDUCE THE CR<sup>6+</sup> TO TRIVALENT CHROMIUM (CR<sup>3+</sup>) THROUGH INJECTION OF AN UNSPECIFIED REDUCING AGENT INTO THE AREAS OF GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION

## **GENERAL DESIGN APPROACH**

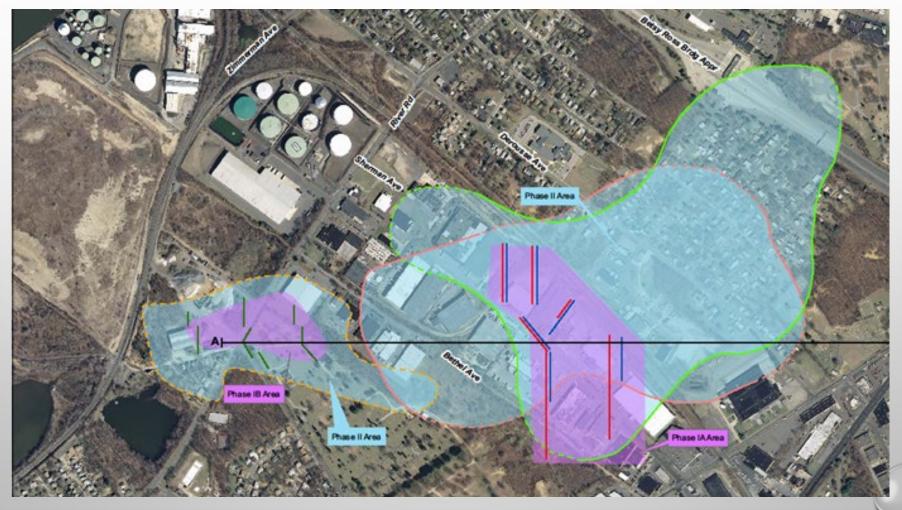


#### **FULL SCALE DESIGN/IMPLEMENTATION**

#### DIVIDED GROUNDWATER CLEANUP INTO TWO PHASES.

- PHASE 1, UPGRADIENT PORTION WITH HIGHER CR CONCENTRATION
  - UNDERLIES COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES.
- PHASE 2, REMAINING PORTION
  - UNDERLIES RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES.

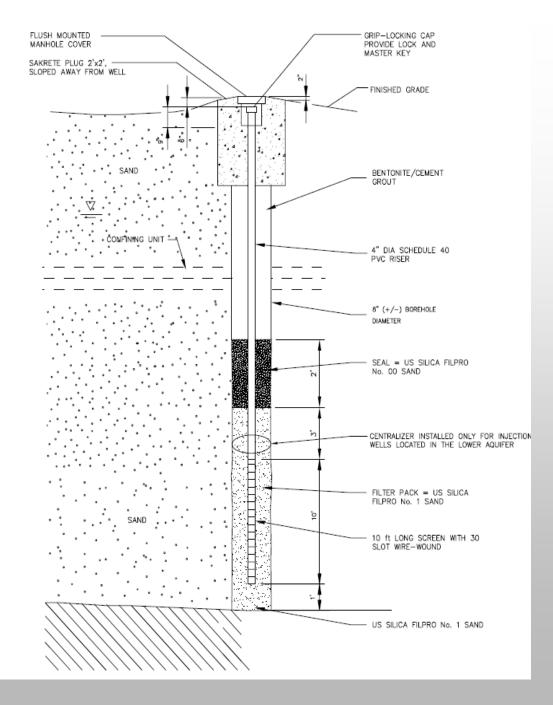
#### Phase I and Phase II Areas

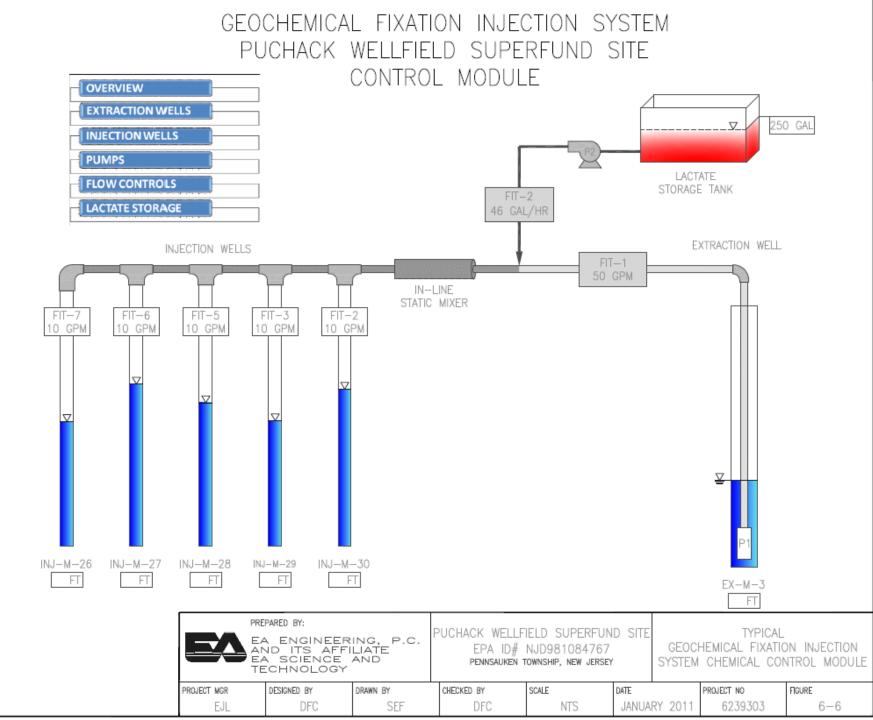


### **PHASE I IMPLEMENTATION**

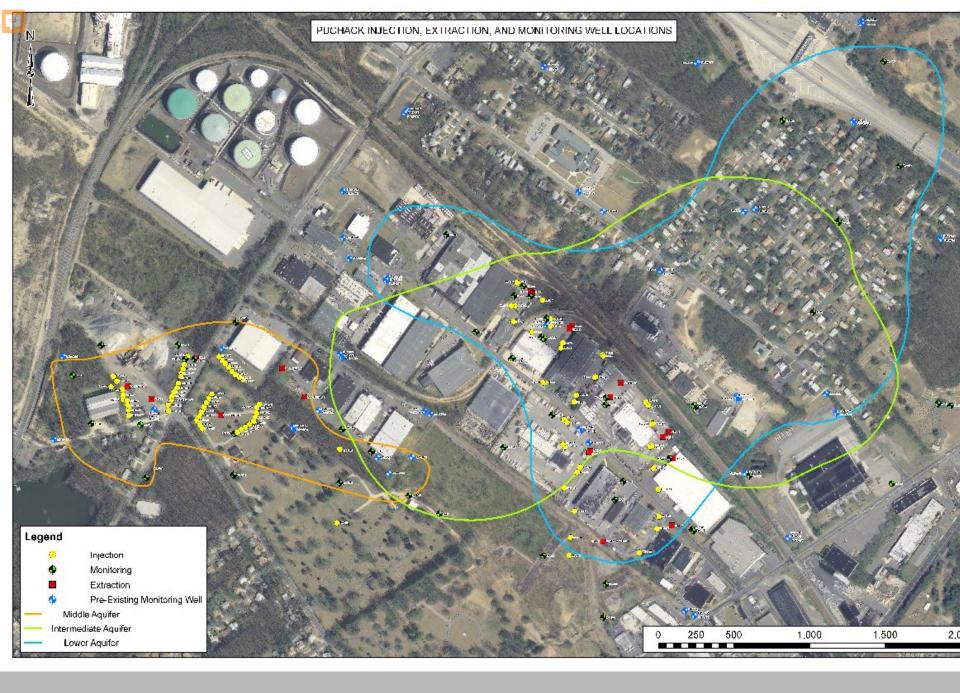
- USED SODIUM LACTATE
- DESIGNED AND CONSTRUCTED FOUR MOBILE TRAILERS TO MIX LACTATE/WATER. MIXTURE INJECTED INTO VERTICAL INJECTION WELLS.
- TOTAL 90 INJECTION WELLS, 20 EXTRACTION WELLS.
- INJECTIONS TAKE ~ TWENTY DAYS FOR DEEPER WELLS, ~ TEN DAYS FOR "MIDDLE AQUIFER" WELLS.

### VERTICAL INJECTION WELL





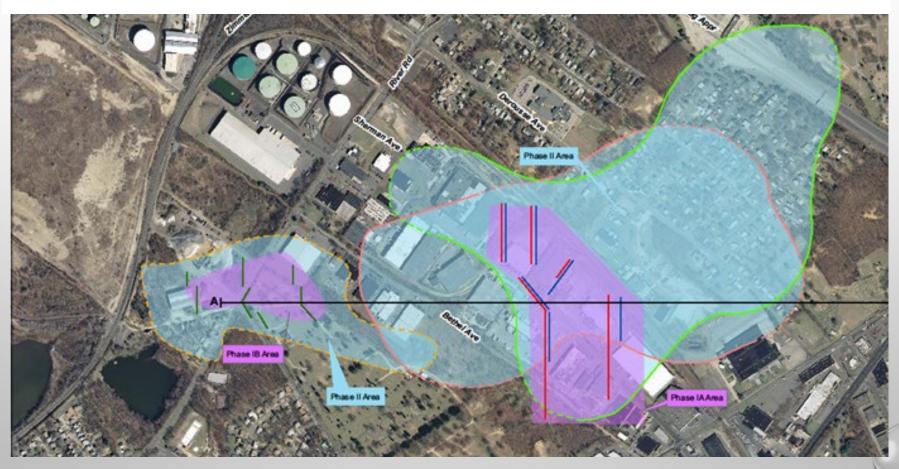




Total Chromium Summary:

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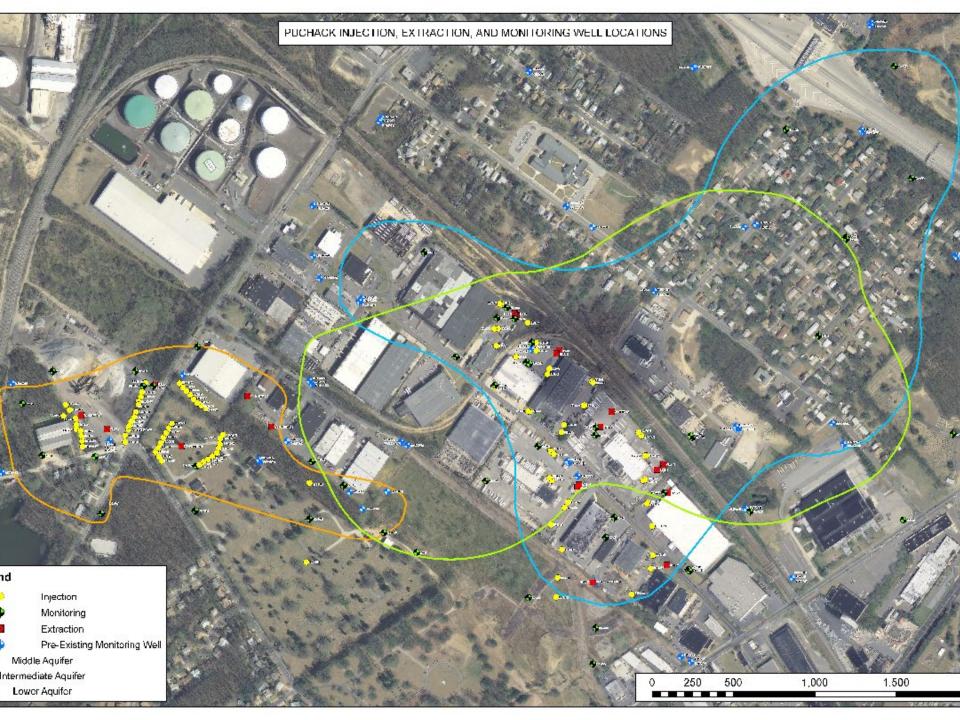
	Avg Mass (kgs)				
	Middle Aquifer	Intermediate Sand	Lower Aquifer	Total Phase I Treatment Area	
Pre Remedial Action (Baseline)	133	147	1,066	1,346	]
Post Remedial Action (Up to PR6)	1	12	92	105	]
Mass Reduction (%)	99%	92%	91%	92%	



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### PHASE 2 PILOT STUDY

CAN HORIZONTAL WELL SCREENS RESOLVE OUR LOGISTICAL ISSUES?

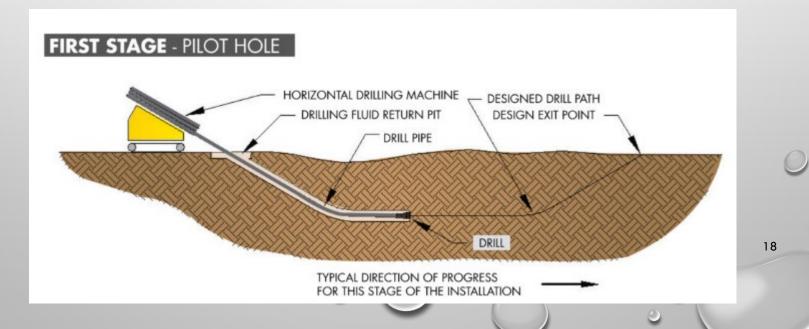
- CAN WE INSTALL THE HORIZONTAL WELL (SCREEN) IN THE PROPER LOCATION?
- WILL LACTATE BE DISTRIBUTED EVENLY ACROSS THE 450 FT SCREEN?



## **CONTINUOUS COMPLETION**

- TWO ACCESS POINTS (ENTRY/EXIT)
- WELL DEPTHS >200 FT
- WELL LENGTHS > 2,850 FT

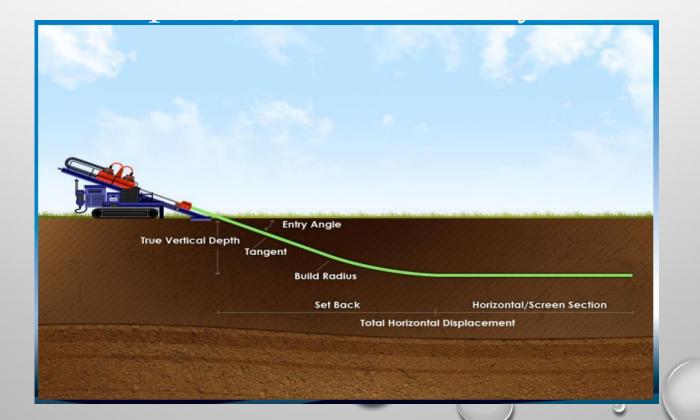
- SCREEN AND CASING PULLED
   INTO BOREHOLE
- REQUIRES ACCESS TO EXIT POINT



### **BLIND COMPLETION**

- ONE ACCESS POINT
  - WELL DEPTHS >200 FT
  - WELL LENGTHS > 1500 FT

SCREEN AND CASING PUSHED
 INTO OPEN BOREHOLE



#### **QUESTION 1:**

## CAN WE INSTALL THE HORIZONTAL WELL IN THE PROPER LOCATION?



### **LOCATING TECHNOLOGIES**

- SEVERAL OPTIONS AVAILABLE:
- WALKOVER
- INDUCED MAGNETIC FIELD
- EARTH'S MAGNETIC FIELD AND GRAVITATIONAL FORCE
- GYROSCOPIC STEERING TOOL
- SELECTION BASED ON BORE PATH, INTERFERENCE RISK, FORMATION, DEPTH, AND COST

## **GYROSCOPIC STEERING TOOL**

- NO DEPTH RESTRICTION
- MOST ACCURATE & EXPENSIVE
- REQUIRES PLANNED BORE PATH;
   CAD DRAWING WITH
   COORDINATES
- PROVIDES X, Y, Z COORDINATES IN SUBSURFACE
- SENDS INFORMATION TO
   SURFACE VIA A WIRELINE THAT
   RUNS THROUGH THE CENTER OF
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#### WELL INSTALLATION "THE PLAN"

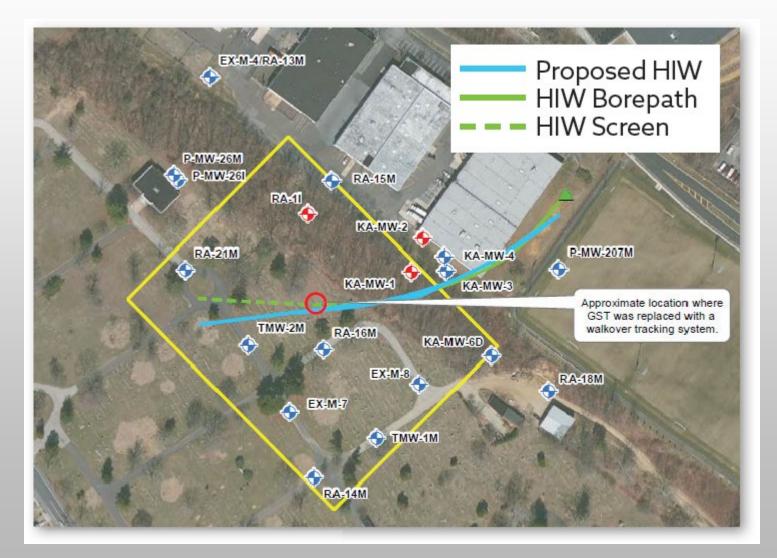
- DRILL 850 FOOT PILOT HOLE USING A GYROSCOPIC STEERING TOOL.
- GST IN DRILL PIPE BEHIND TOOTHED BIT NAVIGATED ALONG PRE-DETERMINED PATH
- CHASE PILOT HOLE USING AN ASSYMETRIC "KNOCK-OFF" DRILL BIT AND A LARGE DIAMETER DRILL ROD – GUIDANCE THROUGH MAGNETIC TRANSMITTER
- WELL MATERIAL INSERTED INSIDE DRILL ROD, BIT SACRIFICED AND DRILL ROD REMOVED.

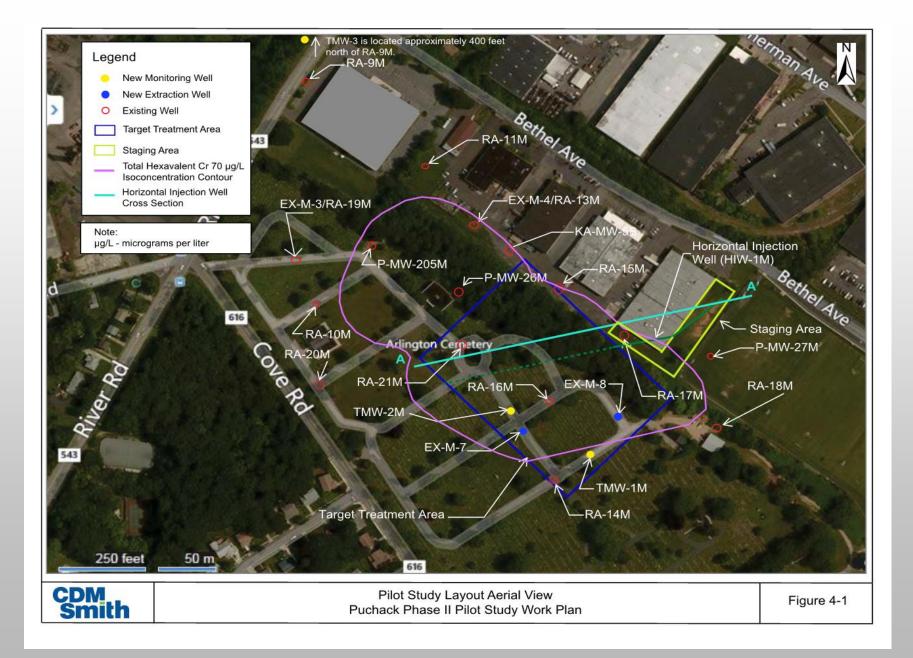


### WELL INSTALLATION "THE REALITY."

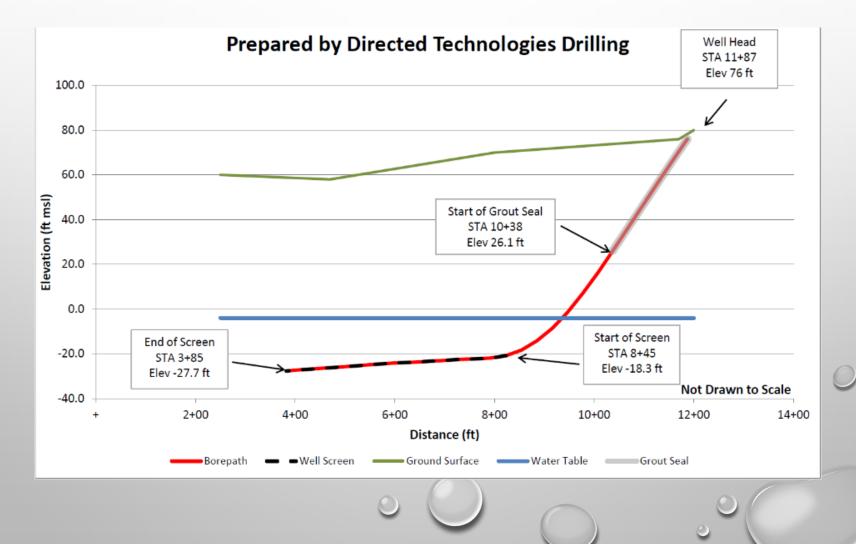
- THE GYROSCOPIC STEERING TOOL (GST) WAS AMAZINGLY
   ACCURATE
- CHANGES IN FORMATION MATERIAL INCREASED THE RISK OF LOSING THE GST; PULLED WIRE AND GST OUT AND SWITCHED TO THE KNOCK-OFF BIT/WALKOVER BEFORE COMPLETING THE PILOT HOLE
- THE TRANSMITTER WAS AT THE MAXIMUM RANGE OF FUNCTIONALITY - FINAL SCREEN OFF TARGET AREA BY ABOUT 50'

#### **PLANNED VS ACTUAL WELL LOCATION**





#### PHASE II PILOT STUDY – AS-BUILT

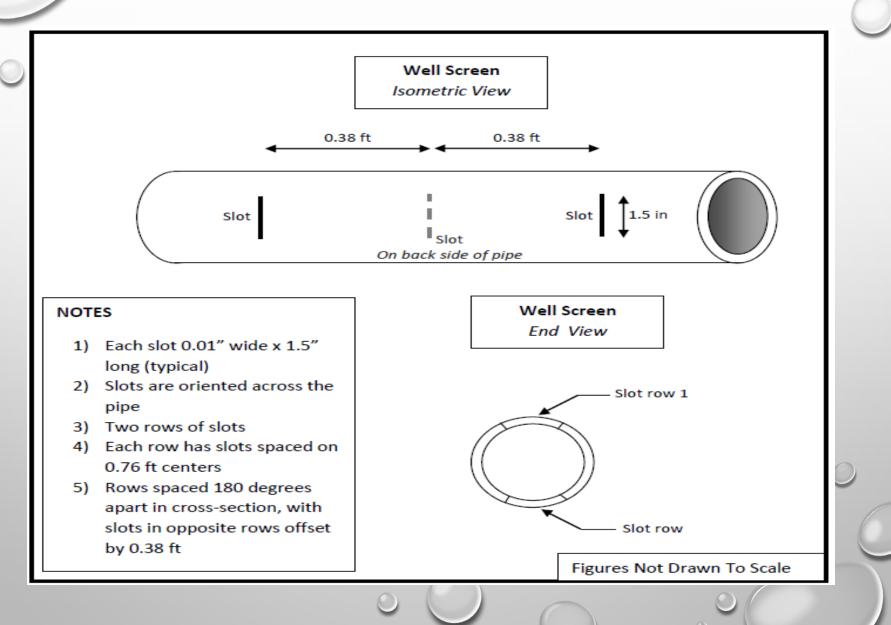


#### **QUESTION 2:**

## CAN LACTATE BE DISTRIBUTED EVENLY ACROSS THE 450 FOOT HORIZONTAL SCREEN?



#### VARIABLE SLOTTED SCREEN



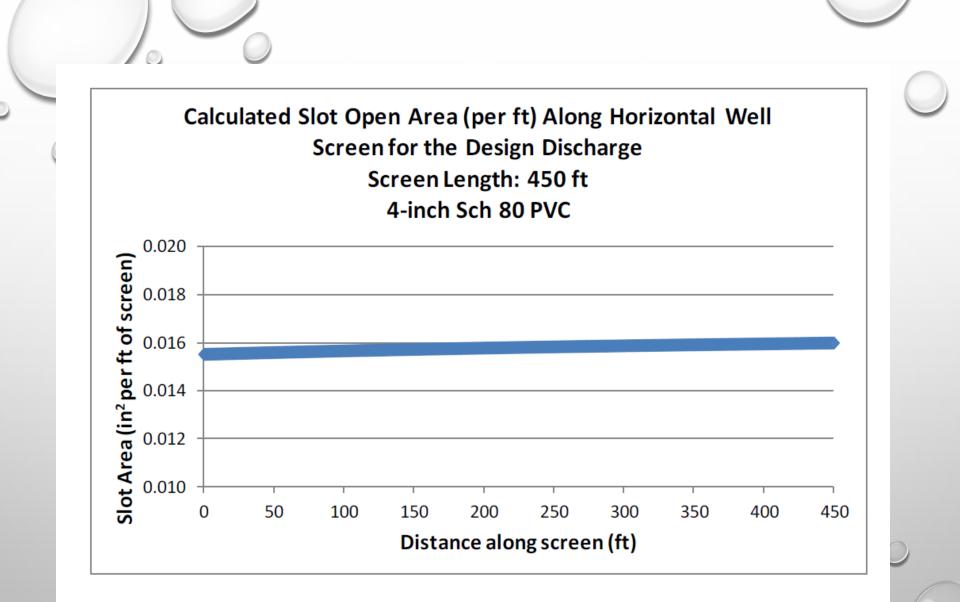


Figure 2: Calculated slot area (per foot) along the screen to achieve the incremental design flow rate of 0.333 gpm/ft.

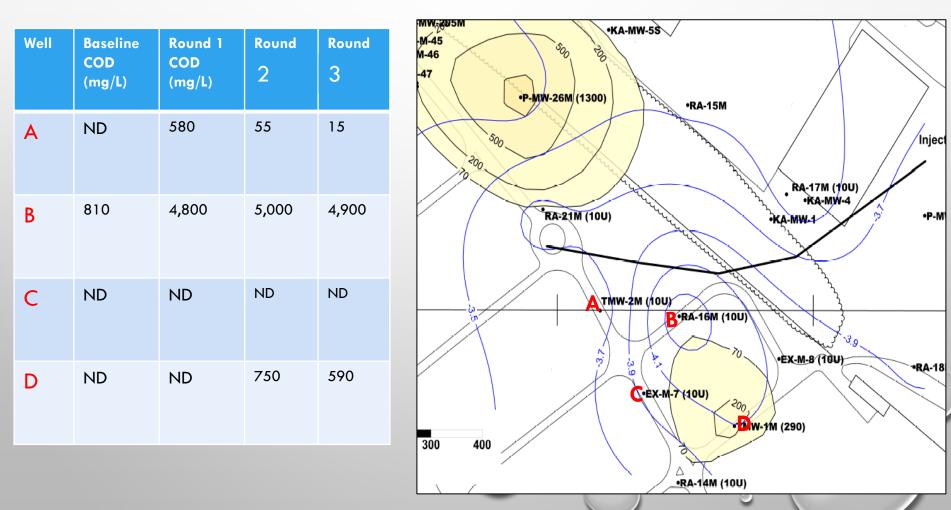


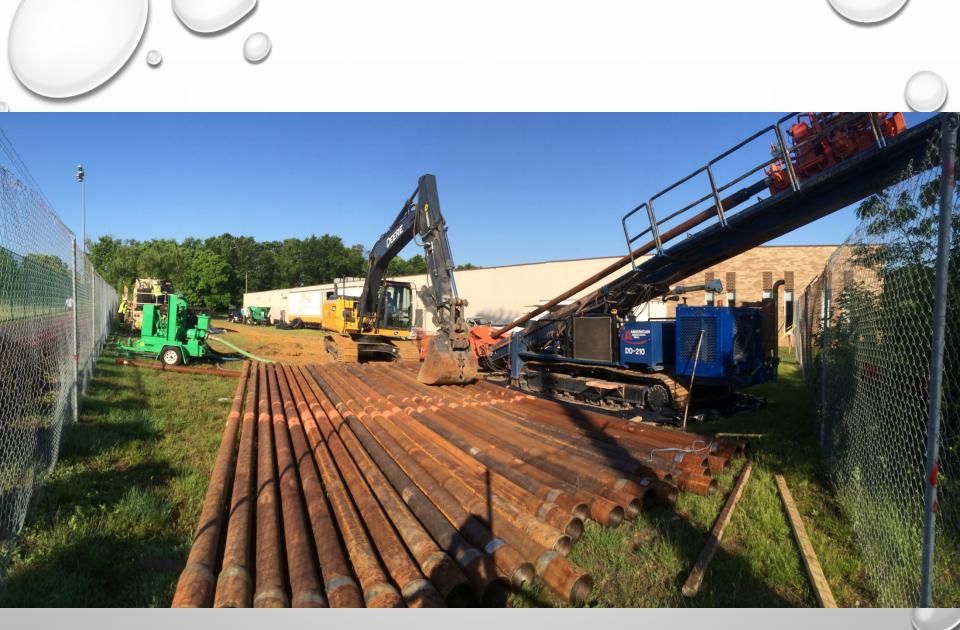
### PHASE 2 PILOT STUDY - TOTAL INJECTION QUANTITIES

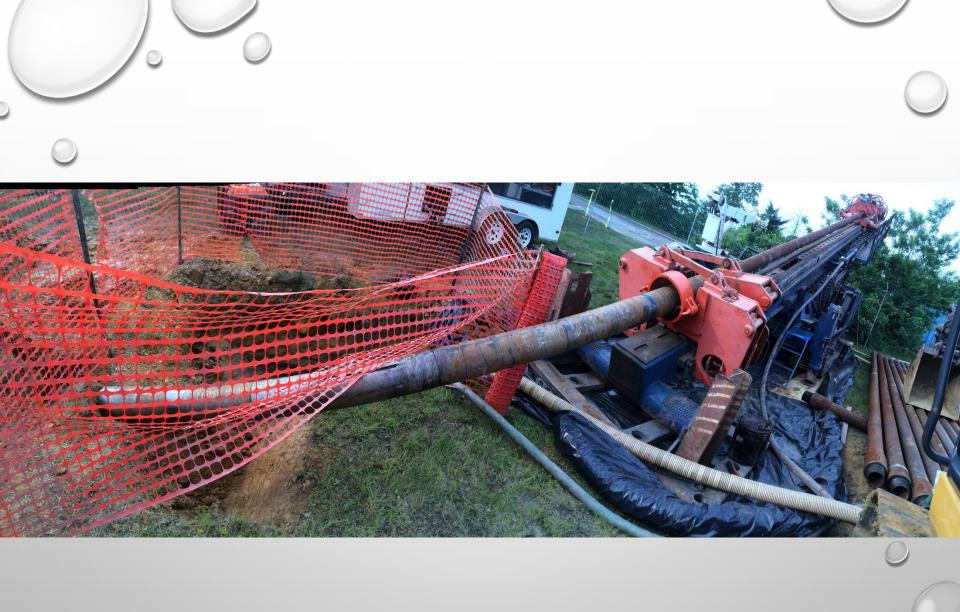
Period of Injection	Total 60% Sodium Lactate Injected (gallons)	Total 60% Sodium Lactate Injected (pounds)
July 15, 2015 – August 5, 2015	22,132	246,329

Note: Density of 60% sodium lactate is 11.13 pounds per gallon.

## CHEMICAL OXYGEN DEMAND (LACTATE) CONCENTRATIONS





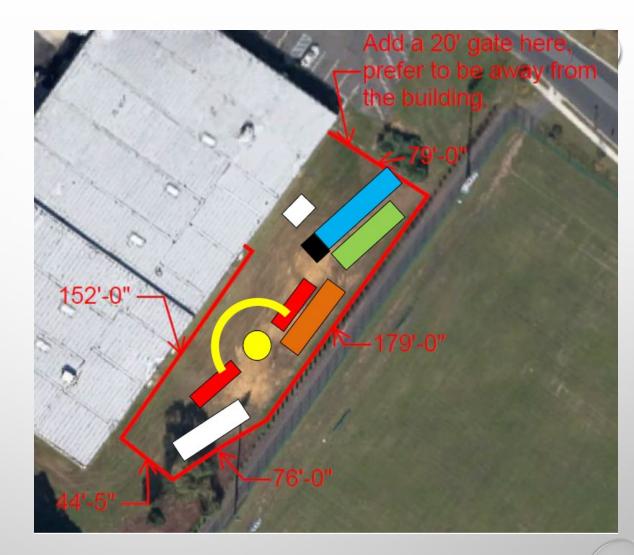


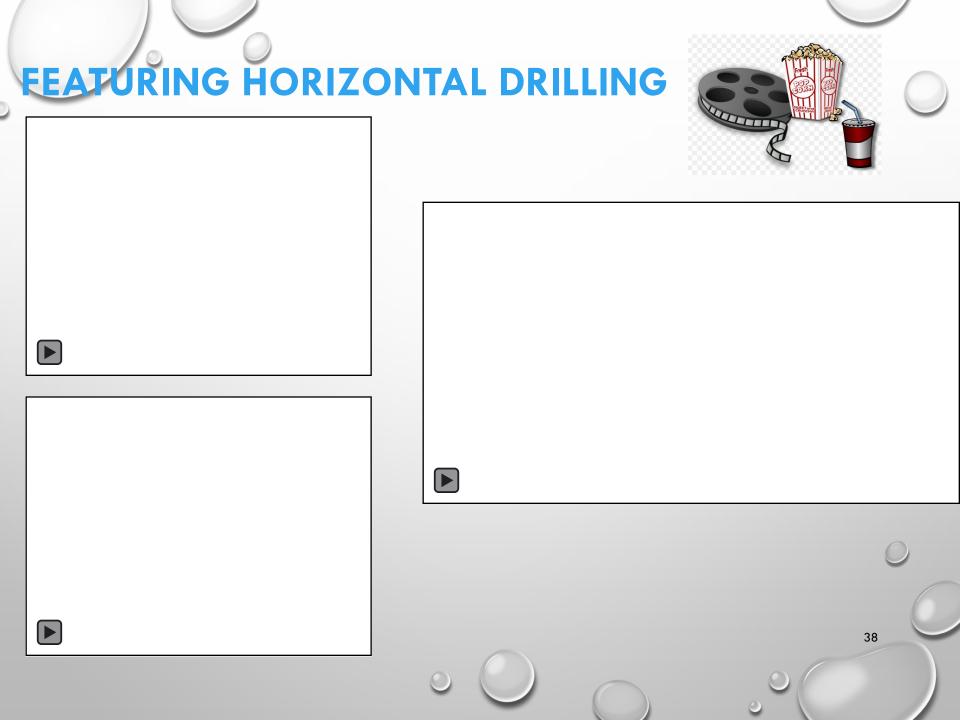
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Blue box: Drill rig 70 ft long)

- Small white box: drill cab.
- Green box: rod trailer 48 ft long.
- Black box: entry pit.
- Brown box: mud system
- Red boxes: water tight waste roll-off boxes.
- Yellow: excavator
- Large white box: tool trailer

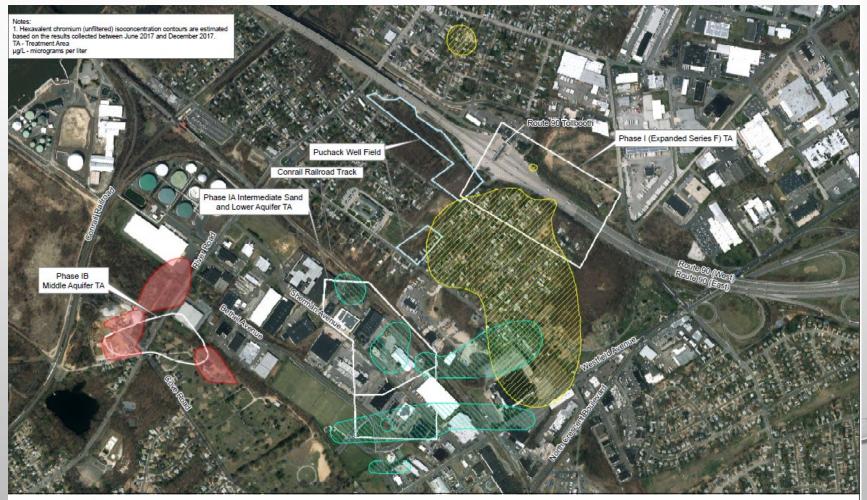






#### REMAINING PLUME AREAS – MIDDLE AND LOWER UNITS

(INTERMEDIATE SAND NOT SHOWN)



#### Legend

CDM

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Middle Aquifer, Hexavalent Chromium Plume (Unfiltered) > 70 µg/L Lower Aquifer (Unit A-3a), Hexavalent Chromium Plume (Unfiltered) > 70 µg/L

Lower Aquifer (Unit A-3b/c), Hexavalent Chromium Plume (Unfiltered) > 70 µg/L

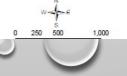


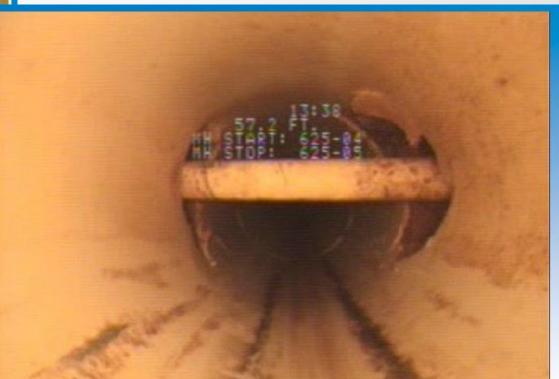
Figure 1-2 Phase I Actual and Phase II Proposed Remediation Areas Puchack Well Field Superfund Site - OU1 Pennsauken Townshin. New Jersey

#### **HORIZONTAL WELLS PHASE 2**

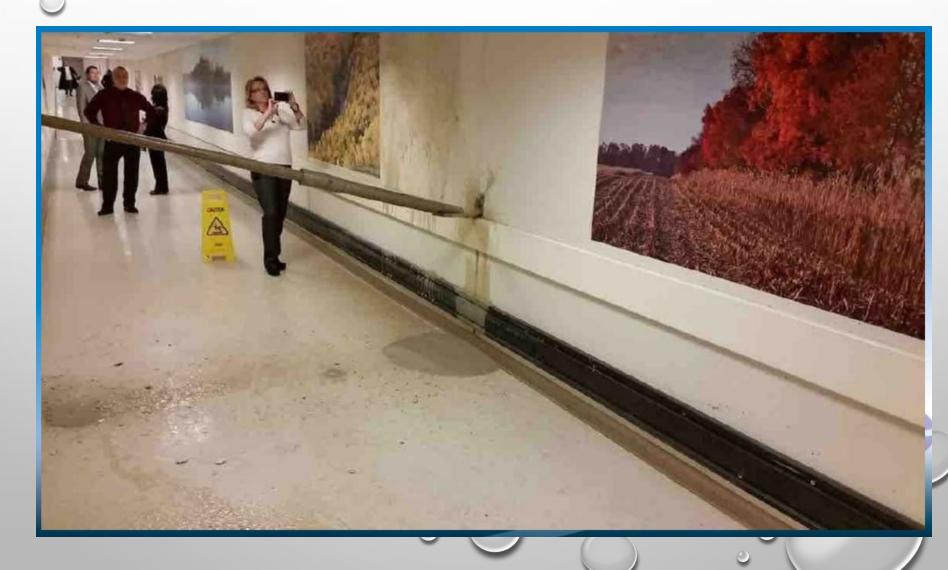


#### LOOK OUT FOR UTILITIES





### ...AND PUBLIC SPACES



### **BAD PLACE TO PARK**





#### **Regulatory Agencies:**

- US Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2
- NJ Department of Environmental Protection

#### **Design and Implementation:**

- U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District Environmental Programs Branch
- CDM Smith New York, NY http://cdmsmith.com/

#### **Implementation:**

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia District Environmental Programs Branch
- EA Engineering, Science, and Technology, Inc., PBC Abingdon, MD

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#### **Horizontal Drilling:**

Directed Technologies Drilling Bellefonte, PA http://www.horizontaldrill.com/

# **Questions?**



