

**Appendices**  
**Feasibility Study Report – Public Review Draft**  
**Alexander Avenue Petroleum Tank Facilities Site**  
**Tacoma, Washington**

March 5, 2021

Prepared for  
The Port of Tacoma



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# Historical Aerial Photographs and Maps

**Table A-1  
721 Property Historical Site Ownership  
Alexander Avenue Cleanup Site  
Port of Tacoma  
Tacoma, Washington**

721 Property

Time Period		Owner	Operator	Use	Notes
1935	1942	H.D Maxwell and Josephine E. Maxwell	H.D. Maxwell Petroleum Corporation/ Maxwell Petroleum Corporation	Oil and gas distribution facility	"Gasoline Firm to Build Here, Independent Company Leases 4 1/2 Acres on Hylebos Waterway," <i>Tacoma Sunday Ledger</i> , 1935 . The property was developed as an oil and gasoline distribution plant by H.D. Maxwell. H.D. Maxwell operated two "Maxwell" companies in the same area at the same time, H.D. Maxwell Petroleum Corporation and Maxwell Petroleum Corporation, the connection between the two "Maxwell" companies is still somewhat unclear.
1942	1945	H.D Maxwell and Josephine E. Maxwell	U.S. Government/U.S. Navy	Oil and gas distribution facility	Lease between Maxwell Petroleum Corporation and The United States of America. Lease term from October 1, 1942 to June 30, 1943 with the option to renew until six months after the termination of World War II.
1945	1951	H.D Maxwell and Josephine E. Maxwell	Maxwell Petroleum Corporation & General Petroleum Corporation	Oil and gas distribution facility	In December 1943 General Petroleum Corporation and Maxwell Petroleum Corporation merged "in the Tacoma area," with Maxwell Petroleum acquiring the General stations in Tacoma. General Petroleum Corporation was a subsidiary of Socony (acronym for Standard Oil Company of New York). Socony, through several mergers and successions is now part of Exxon Mobil Corporation.
1951	1951	General Petroleum Corporation	General Petroleum Corporation	Oil and gas distribution facility	General Petroleum Corporation purchases the property from H.D. Maxwell and Josephine E. Maxwell on November 14, 1951, and sold the property the U.S. government a week later.
1951	1966	U.S. Government/ U.S. Air Force (USAF)	New England Tank Industries, Inc. (NETI), Pacific Terminal Company, and Hugh Yates Company	Aviation Gasoline Terminal	Facility operation was contracted with New England Tank Industries (NETI), for "the service and handling of Government-owned petroleum products at [the] installation and the protection of the property." Pacific Terminal Company and Hugh Yates Company were also listed as a fuel service contractor for the Alexander Avenue site. In 1965, USAF transferred 0.71 acres along the Hylebos Watery to the Navy (present-day parcel No. 2275200532).

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Tacoma, Washington**

**721 Property**

Time Period		Owner	Operator	Use	Notes
1966	1969	Port of Tacoma	Northwest Petroleum?	Diesel and gasoline storage	Old Port of Tacoma Commission meeting notes suggest a company called Northwest Petroleum may have been an early tenant.
1969	1982	Port of Tacoma	Fletcher Oil Company	Diesel and gasoline storage	Fletcher oil Company leased tanks No. 4, 6, 7, and 11 and 4.1-acres of land from the Port of Tacoma. United Independent Oil, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Fletcher Oil. Fletcher sub-leased tank No.4 to Lilyblad Petroleum. In 1973 Tanks 1, 2, and 3 were removed by Don Oline Trucking Co.
1982	1983?	Port of Tacoma	PRI Northwest, Inc. (PRN)	Diesel and gasoline storage	PRN is a subsidiary of Pacific Resources Inc. (PRI). PRN assumed control of Fletchers wholesale fuel oil assets and began operating the Fletcher Oil facility at 721 Alexander. PRN may have begun operating the facility as early as 1979. The lease with the Port was not transferred to PRN until 1982.
1983	2014	Port of Tacoma	Property leased to multiple organizations for commercial storage	Commercial storage	ASTs, building, and associated infrastructure were removed from the property in 1983 and the property was paved.
2014?	Today	Port of Tacoma	Puget Sound Energy	Liquefied Natural Gas facility	Development underway for a LNG facility. No new infrastructure is being constructed on the former tank farm parcel, the facility is being built on the adjoining parcels to the south.

**Table A-2  
709 Property Historical Site Ownership  
Alexander Avenue Cleanup Site  
Port of Tacoma  
Tacoma, Washington**

**709 Property**

Time Period		Owner	Operator	Use	Notes
1930?	1938	Norton and Mary Clapp	Norton and Mary Clapp	Oil and gas distribution facility	Sometime between 1931 and 1940 the property was developed as a fuel storage and distribution facility.
1938	1981	Fletcher Oil Company	Fletcher Oil Company, Tesoro Petroleum Inc, and United Independent Oil Company, Inc., PRI Northwest	Oil and gas distribution facility	The Fletcher Oil Company (Fletcher) operated a gasoline and diesel-fuel storage and distribution facility at the 709 property. Fletcher operated under several names during its tenure at the site: Fletcher Oil Company, Fletcher Oil Inc., and F.O. Fletcher, Inc. Tenants operated on the property in the 1970s: Tesoro Petroleum, Inc., and United Independent Oil Company, Inc. (CRA 2013).
1981	1997	PRI Northwest, Inc.	PRI Northwest, Inc., Independent Oil Company	Oil and gas distribution facility, leading plant, crude oil distillation plant	PRI Northwest, Inc. (PRI) began leasing the 709 property in 1979 and purchased it in 1981 for use as a storage and distribution facility for unleaded gasoline, leaded gasoline, diesel fuel, and fuel alcohol. Additionally, PRI operated a tetraethyl leading plant for blending lead into gasoline, a process that involves reacting chloroethane with a sodium-lead alloy. Infrastructure removed from the property by 1997. And the United Independent Oil Company operated a crude oil distillation plant (CRA 2013).
1997	2001	OCC Tacoma, Inc.	OCC Tacoma, Inc.	Vacant	
2001	Today	Mariana Properties, Inc.	Mariana Properties, Inc.	Vacant	The 709 property was used briefly during the winter of 2002–2003 to temporarily stage treated sediments removed by OCC from the Hylebos Waterway (Area 5106 Removal Action) under EPA oversight (EPA 2020).



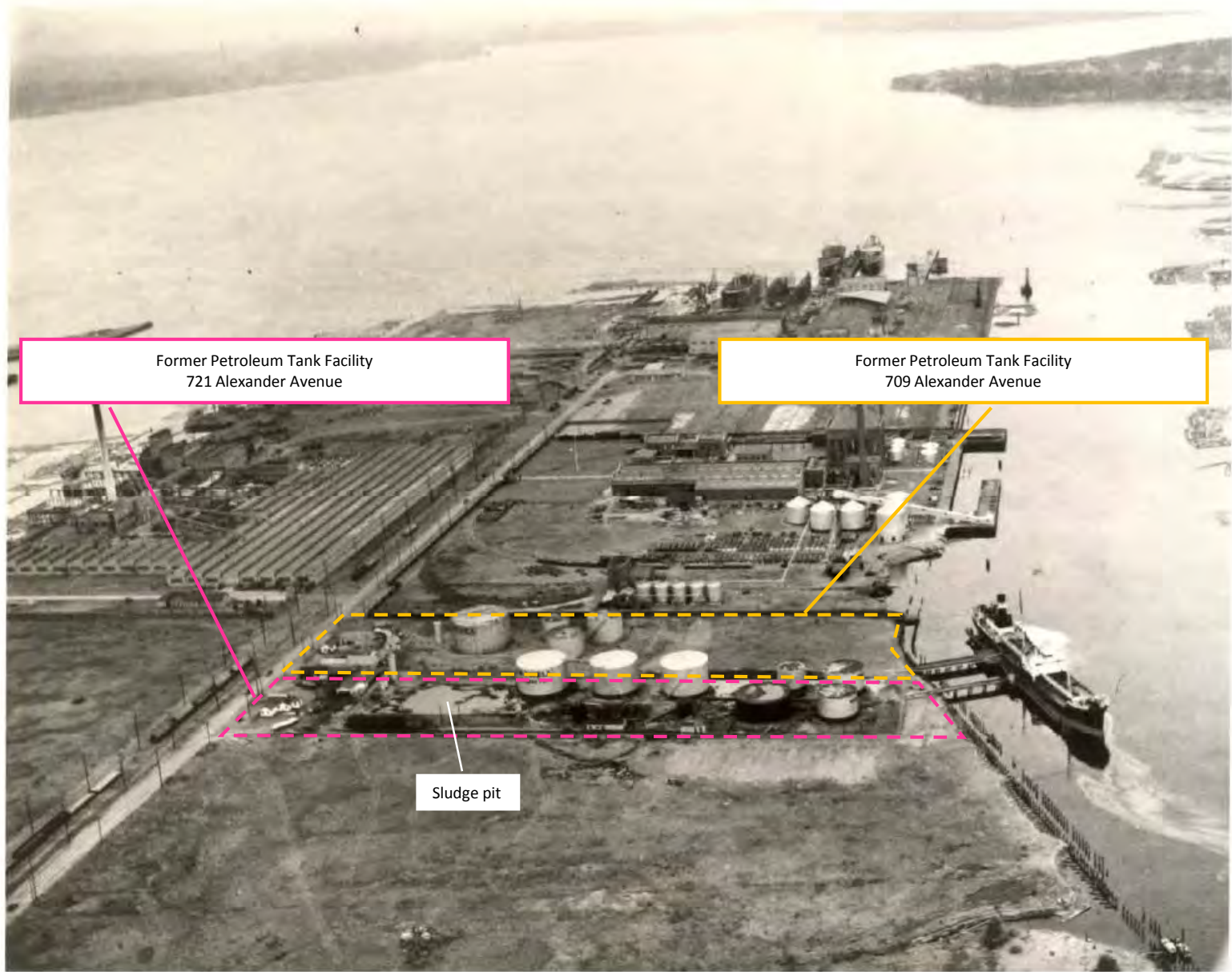


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AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH - BETWEEN 1936 - 1946  
*Occidental Chemical Corporation, Tacoma, Washington*





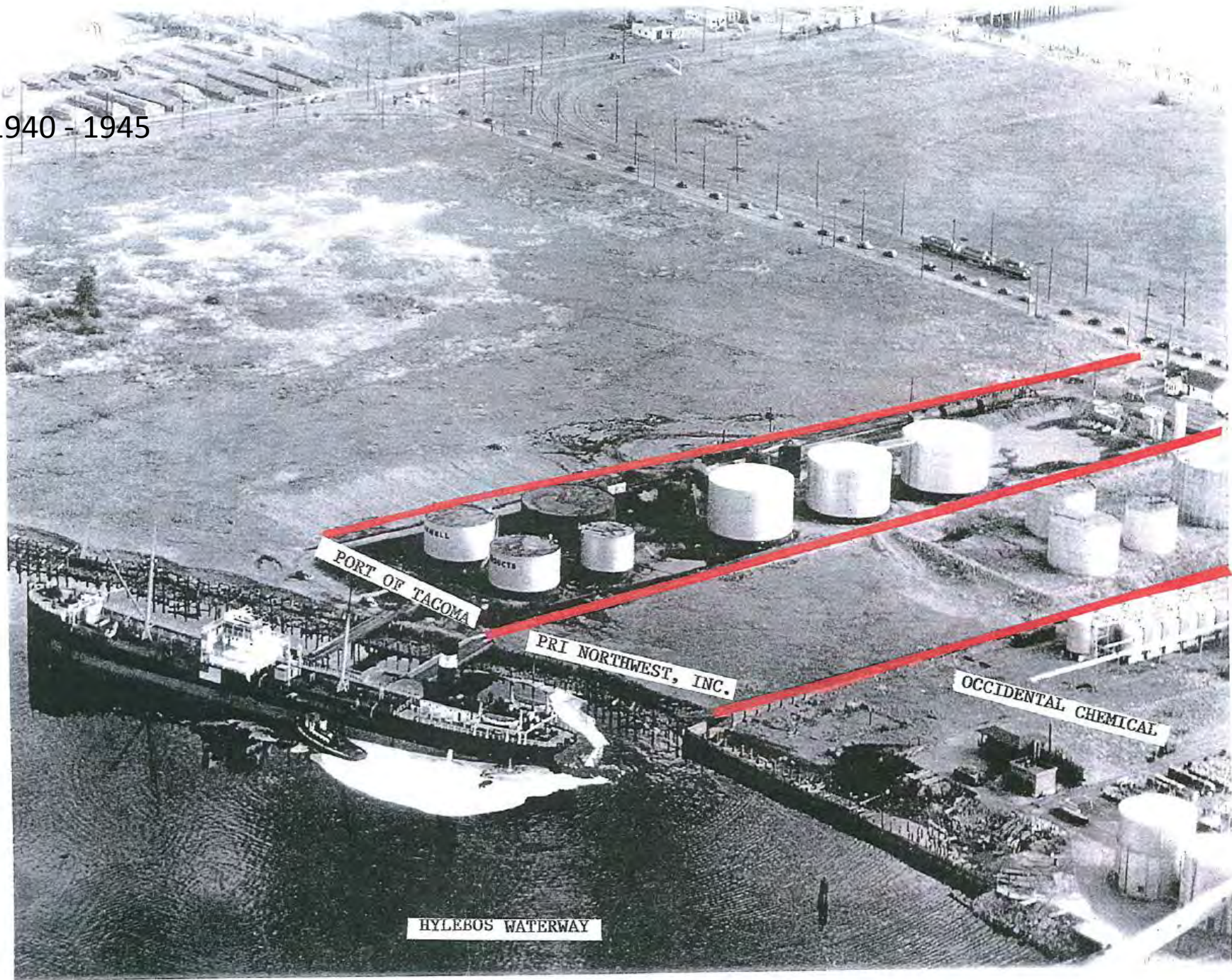
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AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH - BETWEEN 1936 -1946 (2)  
*Occidental Chemical Corporation, Tacoma, Washington*





1940 - 1945



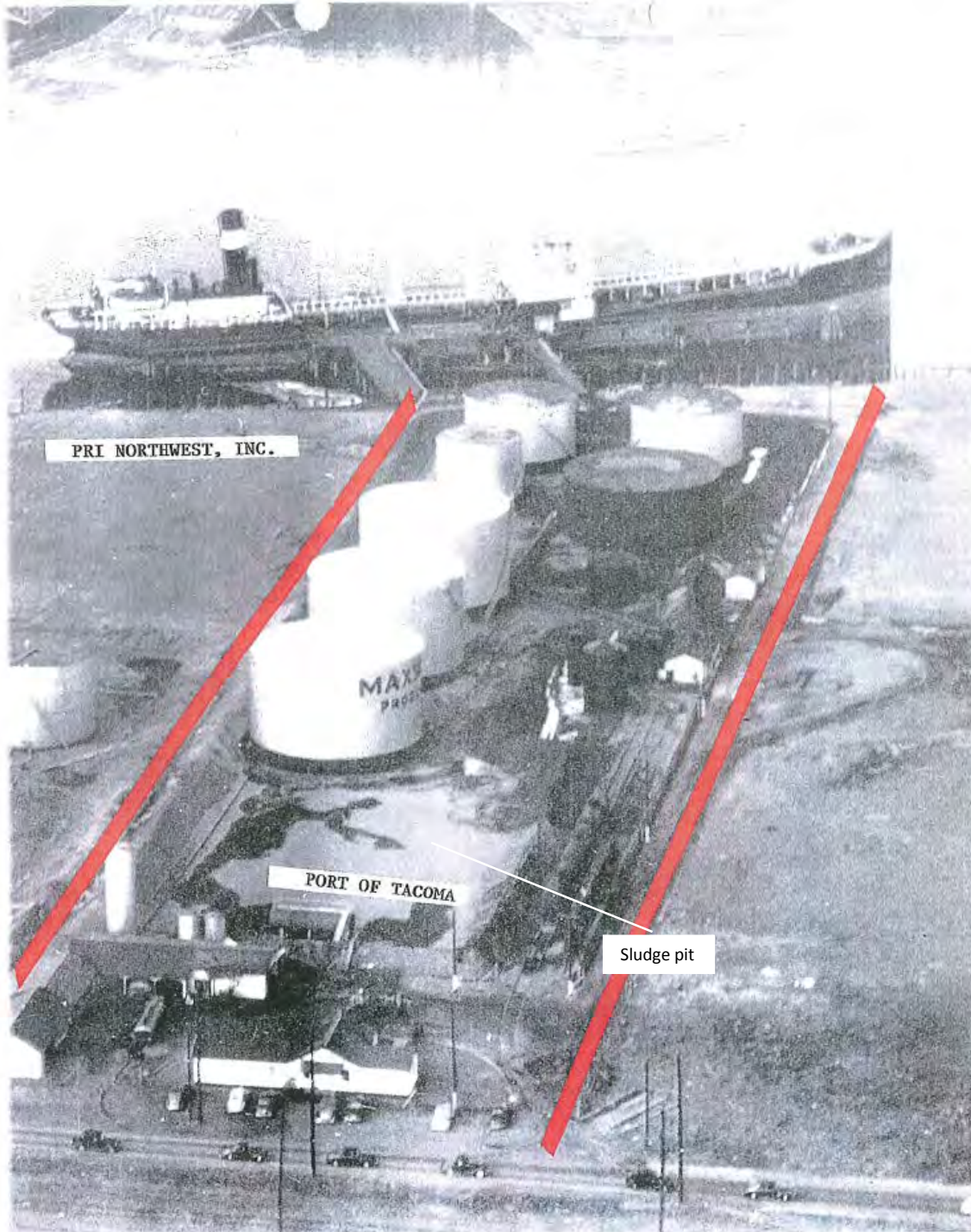
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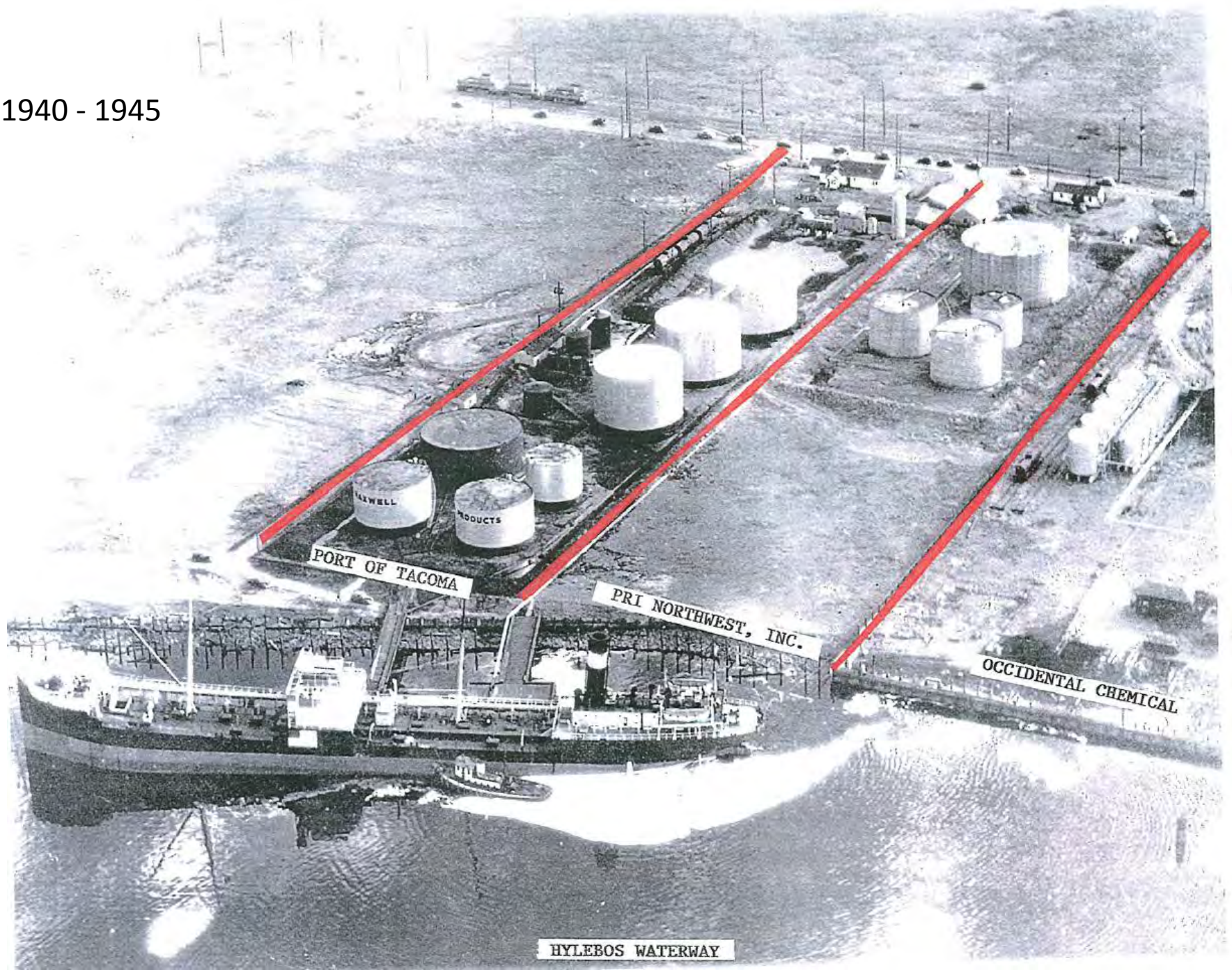
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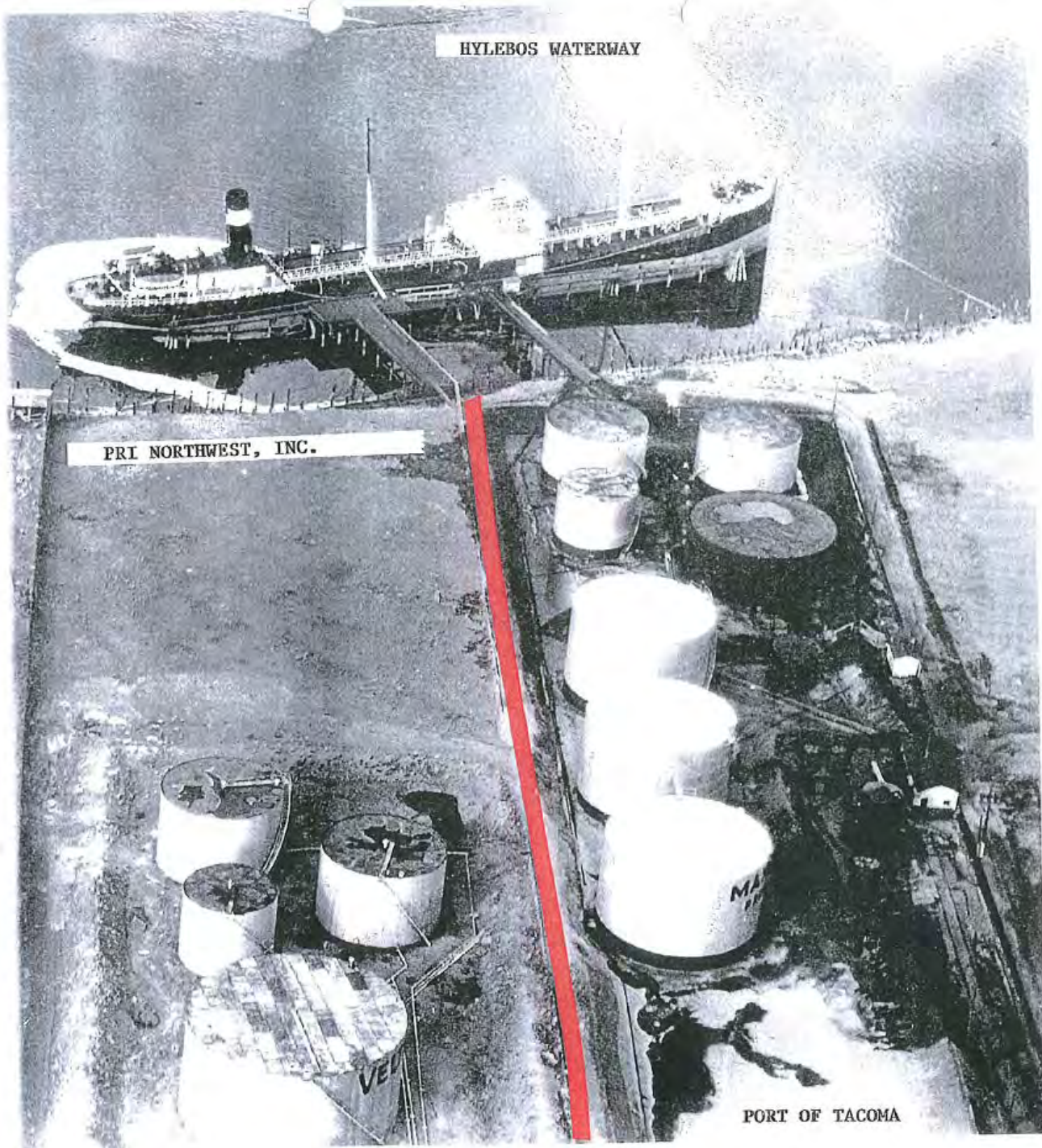
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1940 - 1945



1940 - 1945



1940

# tacomaMAP Print



1944



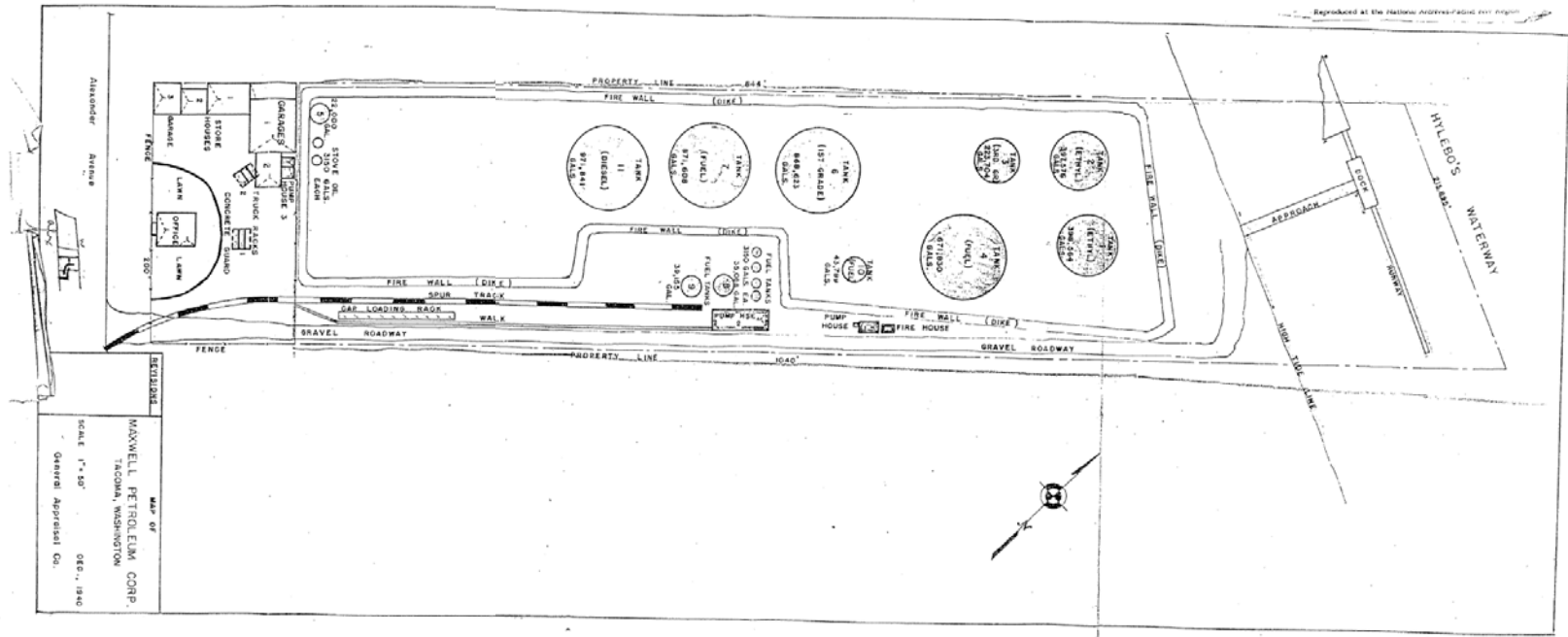
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1946



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1940



Aspect 2016, Appendix C



1942



In the foreground is the 5,000,000-gal. terminal of the Maxwell Petroleum Corp., Independent oil marketer, on one of tributaries to Puget Sound, at Tacoma, Wash. A tanker from Los Angeles is discharging a load. The 5 vertical tanks immediately in the rear of the Maxwell plant, are the terminal of Fletcher Oil Co., an Independent marketer of Idaho, which supplies its business in eastern Washington from this depot. Log rafts shown on the opposite side of the stream, are a familiar sight in this territory

1947



Turner Richards Studio, Tacoma

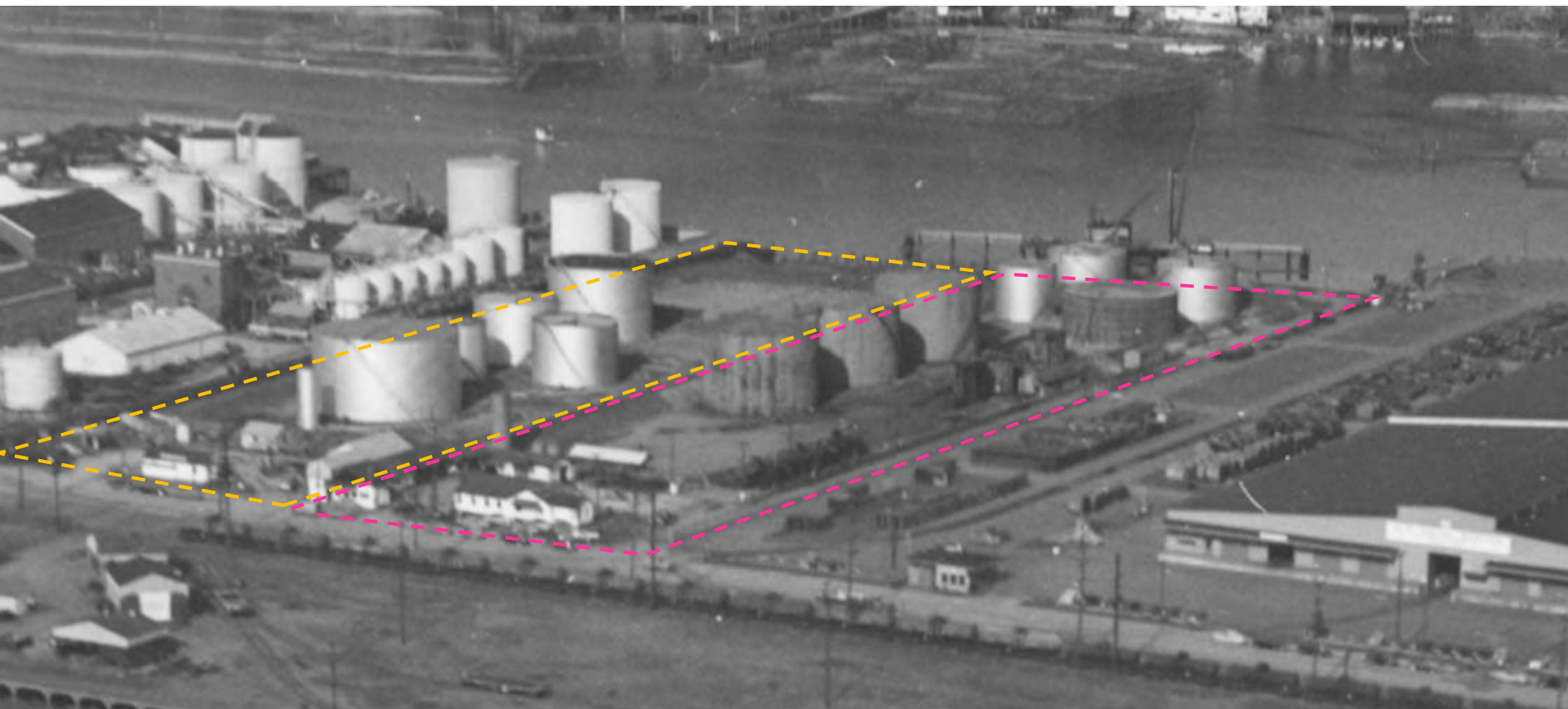
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1953



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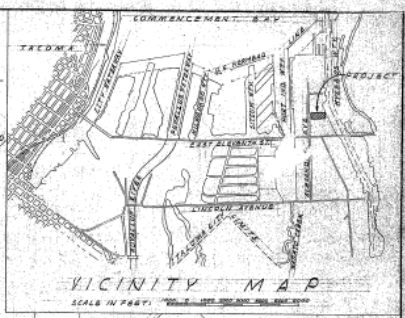
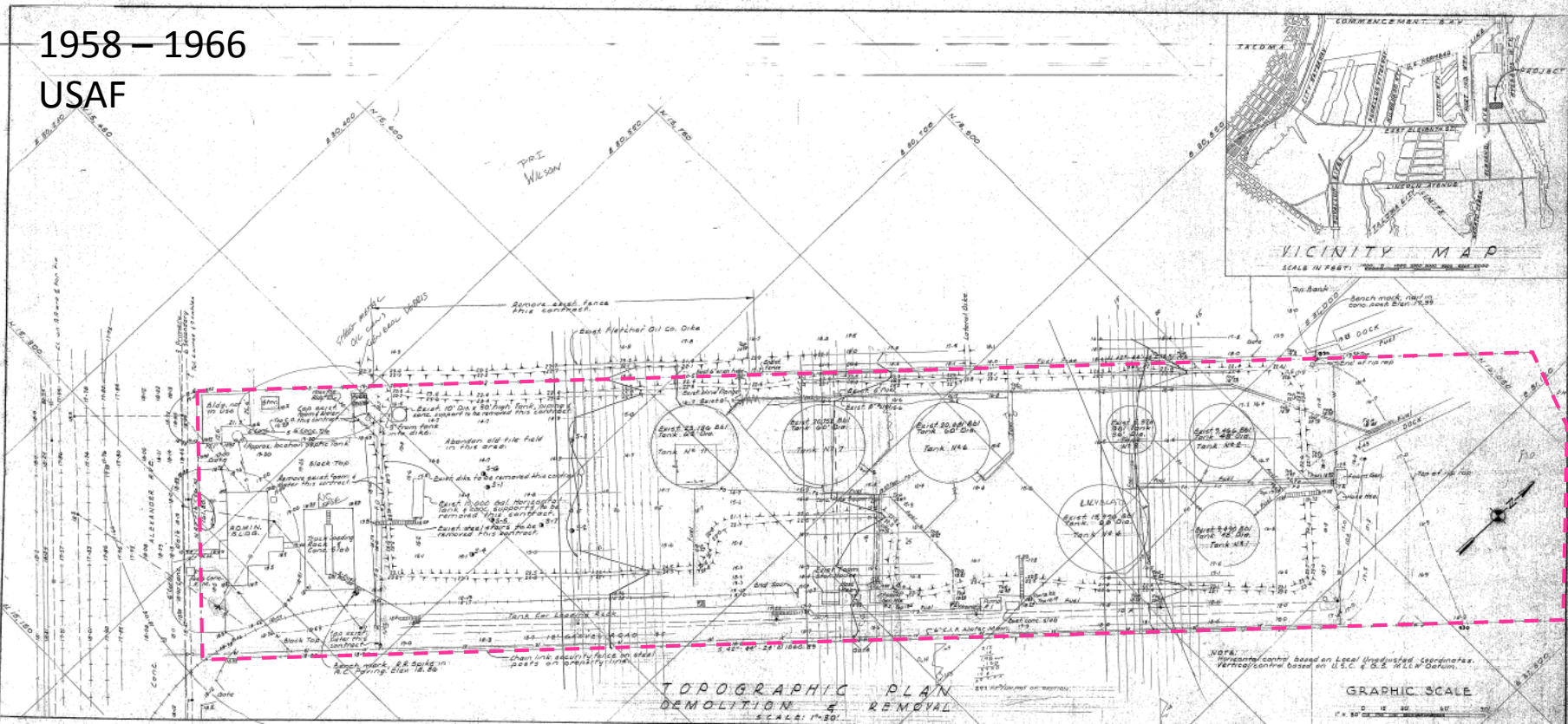


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1958 - 1966  
USAF



TACOMA P.O.L. DEPOT, WASHINGTON  
STORAGE DEPOT AVFUEL

**EXPLORATIONS LOG**

STATION	DATE	DEPTH	DESCRIPTION
1	11/15/58	10'	...
2	11/15/58	10'	...
3	11/15/58	10'	...
4	11/15/58	10'	...
5	11/15/58	10'	...
6	11/15/58	10'	...
7	11/15/58	10'	...
8	11/15/58	10'	...
9	11/15/58	10'	...
10	11/15/58	10'	...

**EXPLORATION LOG LEGEND**

1. Notes 1-1 to 1-8 Dated 8-7 Apr 1958  
2. Notes 1-9 to 1-12 Dated 11 Jan 1958

**LEGEND**

EXISTING	THIS CONTRACT
○ Tank	○ Tank
□ Building	□ Concrete disk wall
— Chain link fence	— Bath dike
— Dike	— Line of depression
• Bench mark	— Storm drain 2 months
— Ground surface elevation	— Fuel line & valve
— Fuel line & valve	— Sewing support
— Railroad track	— Rafter support
— Property line	— Slop line with collection funnel
— Star over dike	— Electrical overhead wiring
— Water line & fire hydrant	— Electrical underground wiring
— Foam line	— Ground wire conductor
— Sanitary sewer	— Ground rod
— Elevation number	— Bunting pole with no down guy
— Aerial primary line	
— Aerial secondary line	
— Street light	

**DRAWING INDEX**

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81478-01-02	3	SITE PLAN AND DETAILS OF MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL
81478-01-02	4	STORAGE TANK AND DETAILS OF MECHANICAL
81478-01-02	5	STORAGE TANK DETAILS OF MECHANICAL
81478-01-02	6	DETAILS OF MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL

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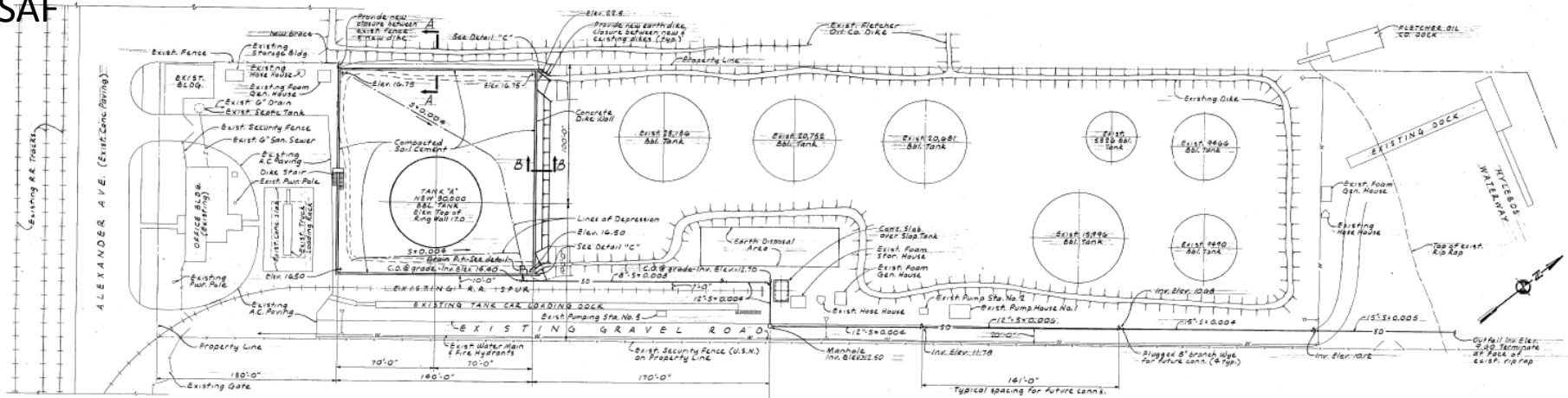
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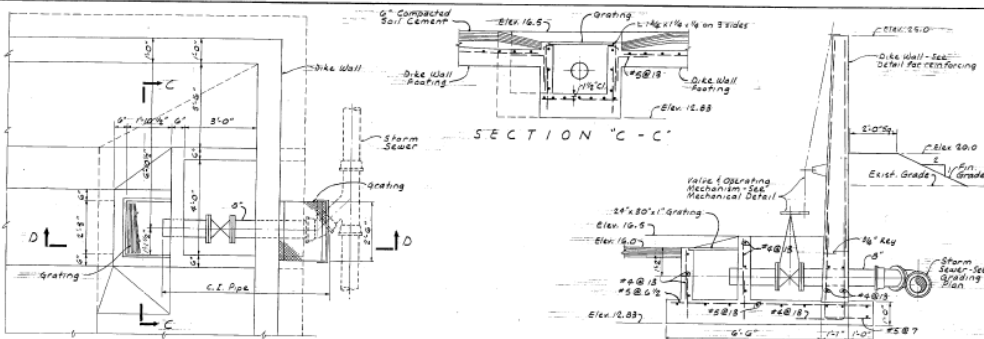
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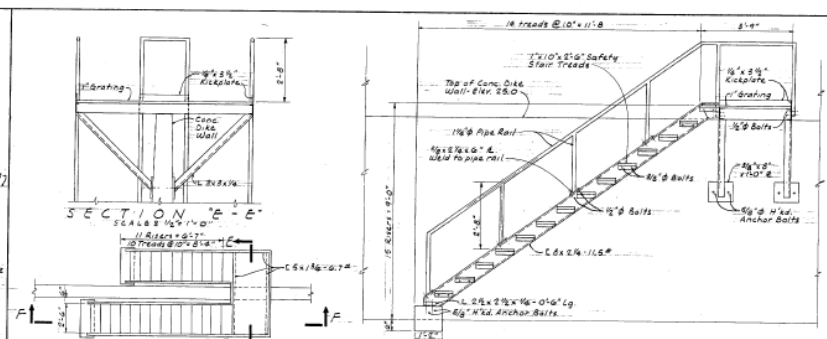




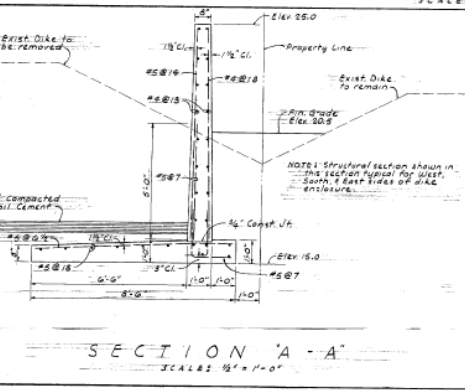
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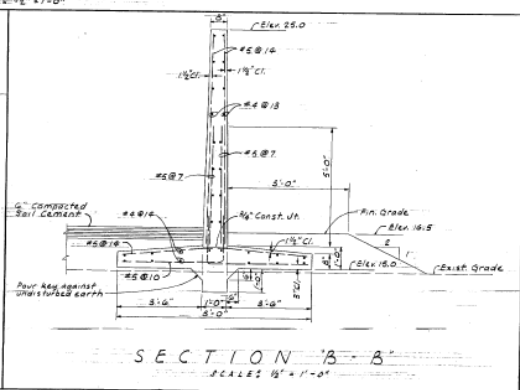
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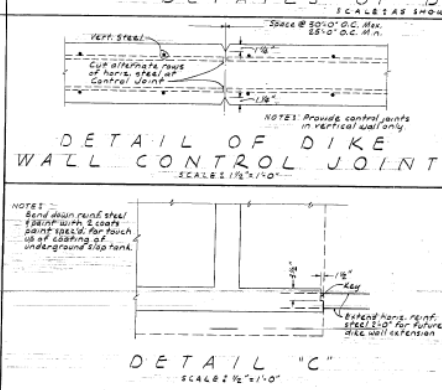
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DETAIL OF DIKE WALL CONTROL JOINT  
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DETAIL 'C'  
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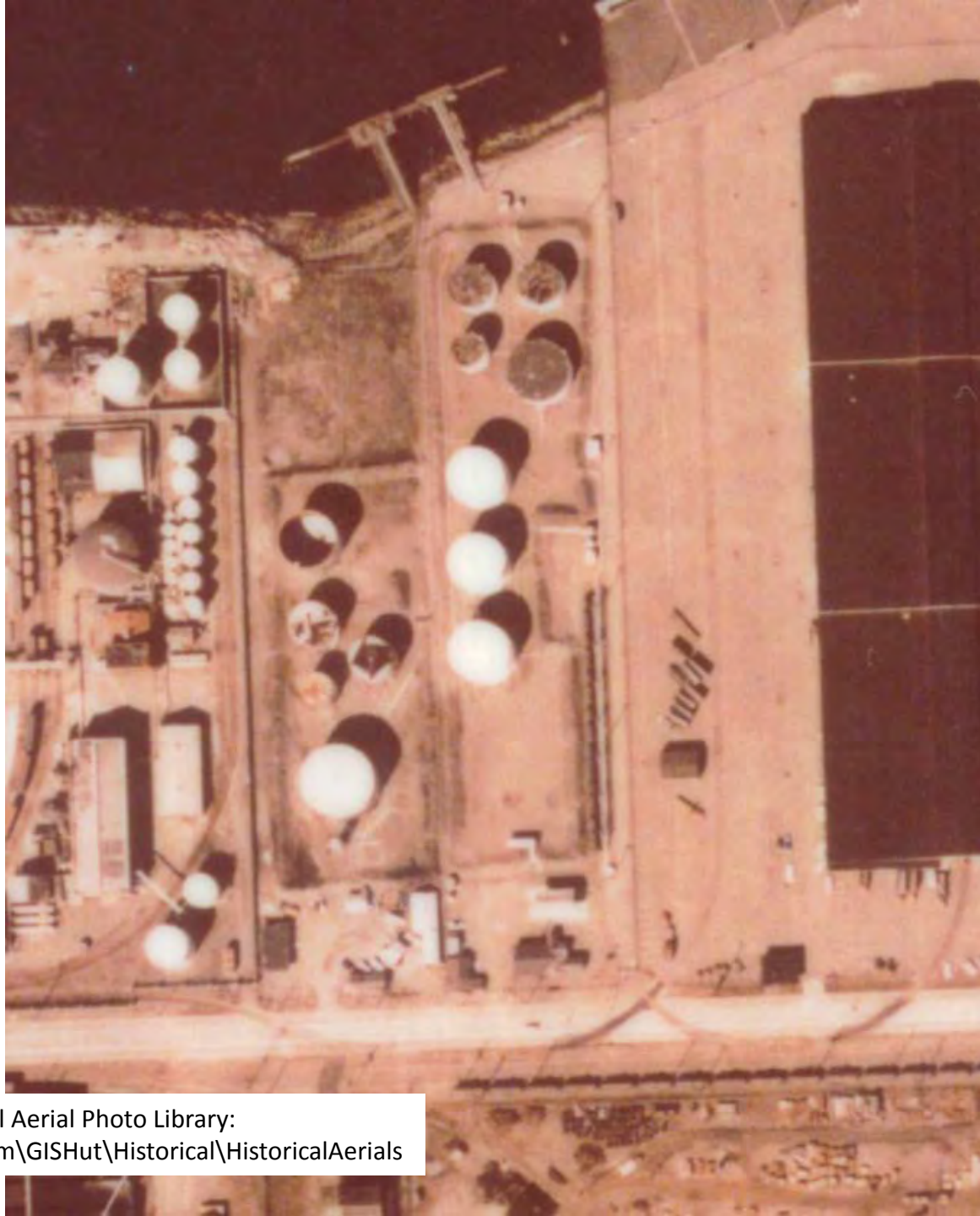
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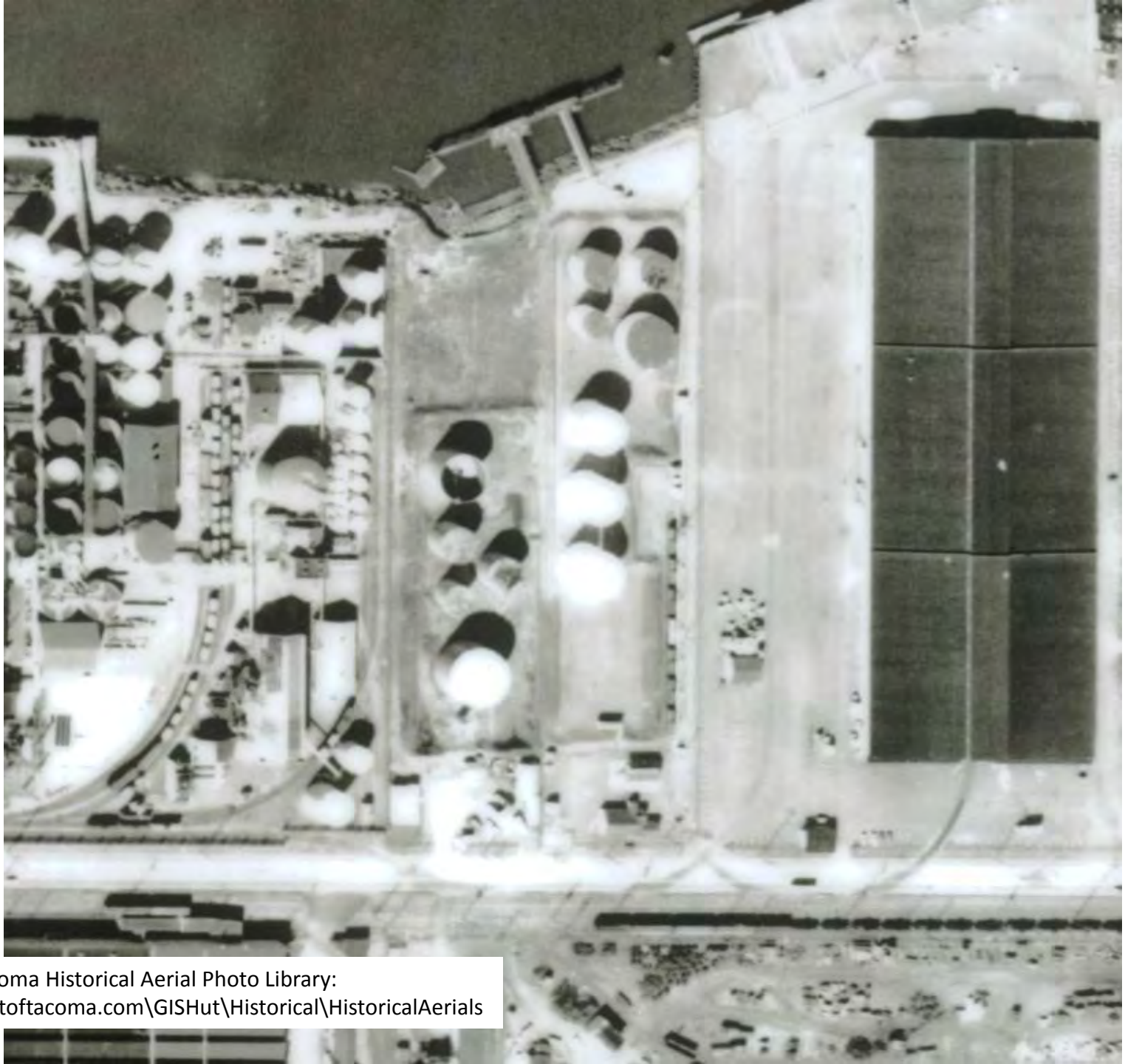
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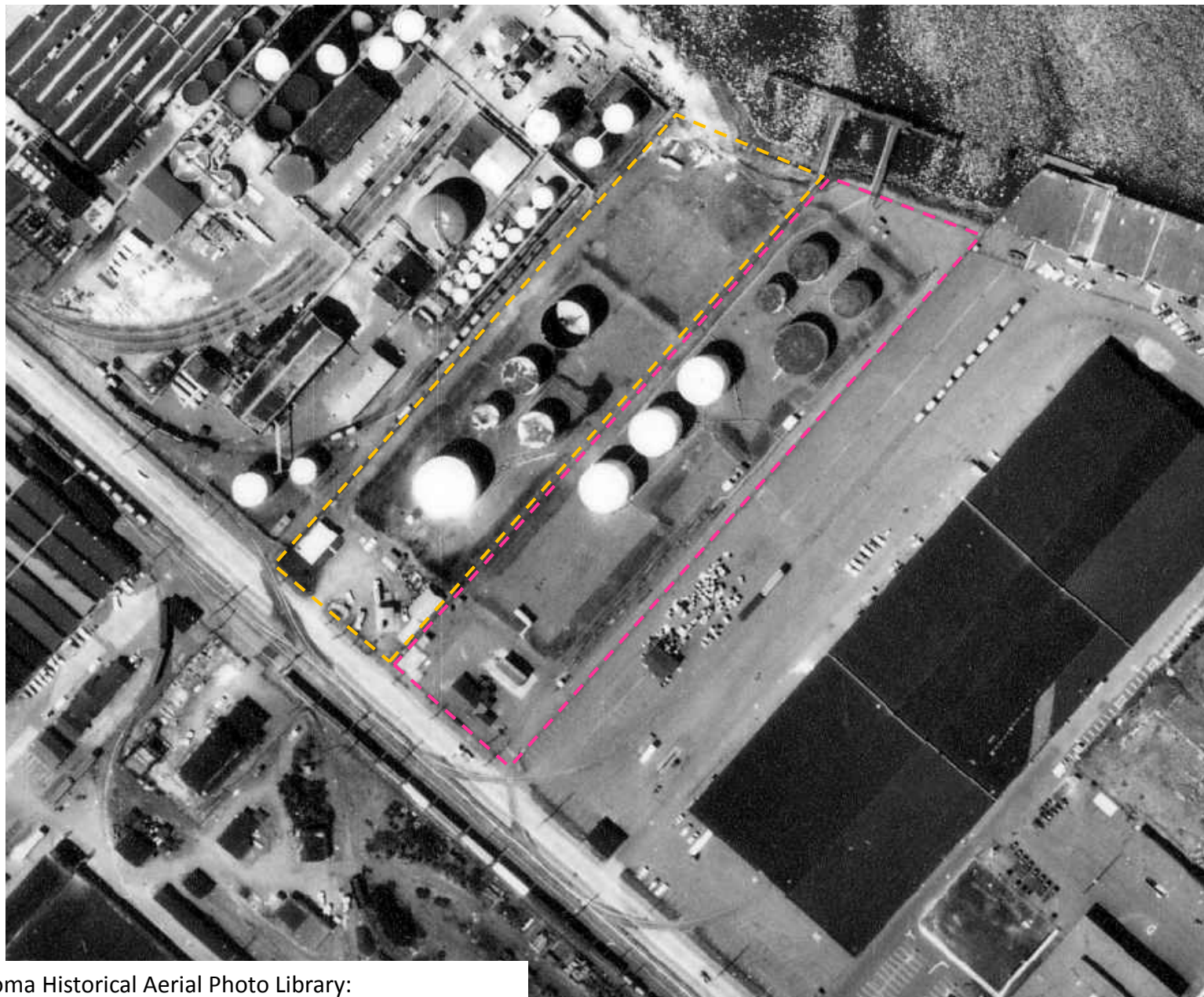
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1968



709 Alexander Avenue  
1938 to 1981 - Fletcher Oil Company

721 Alexander Avenue  
1966 to Today - Port of Tacoma



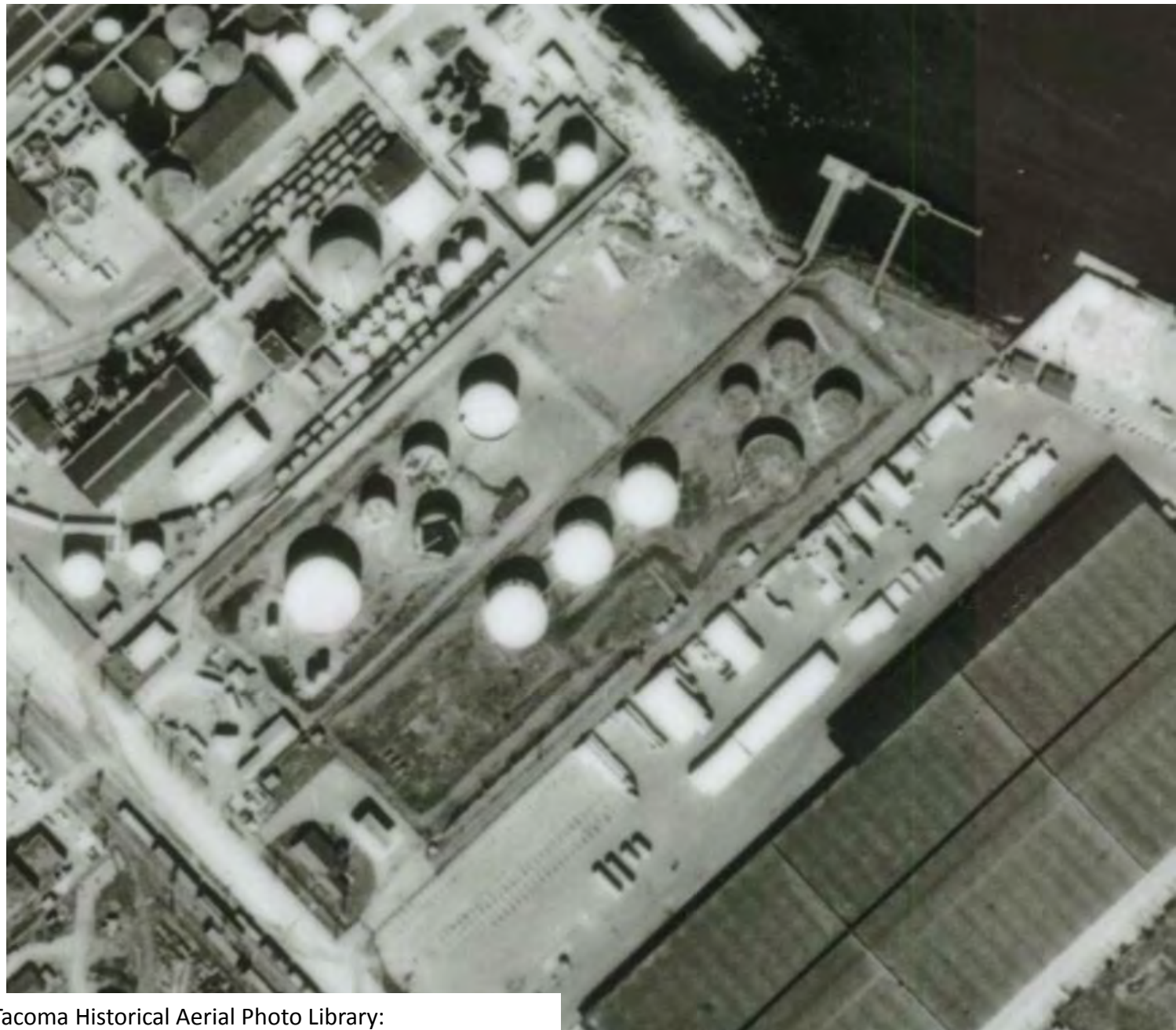
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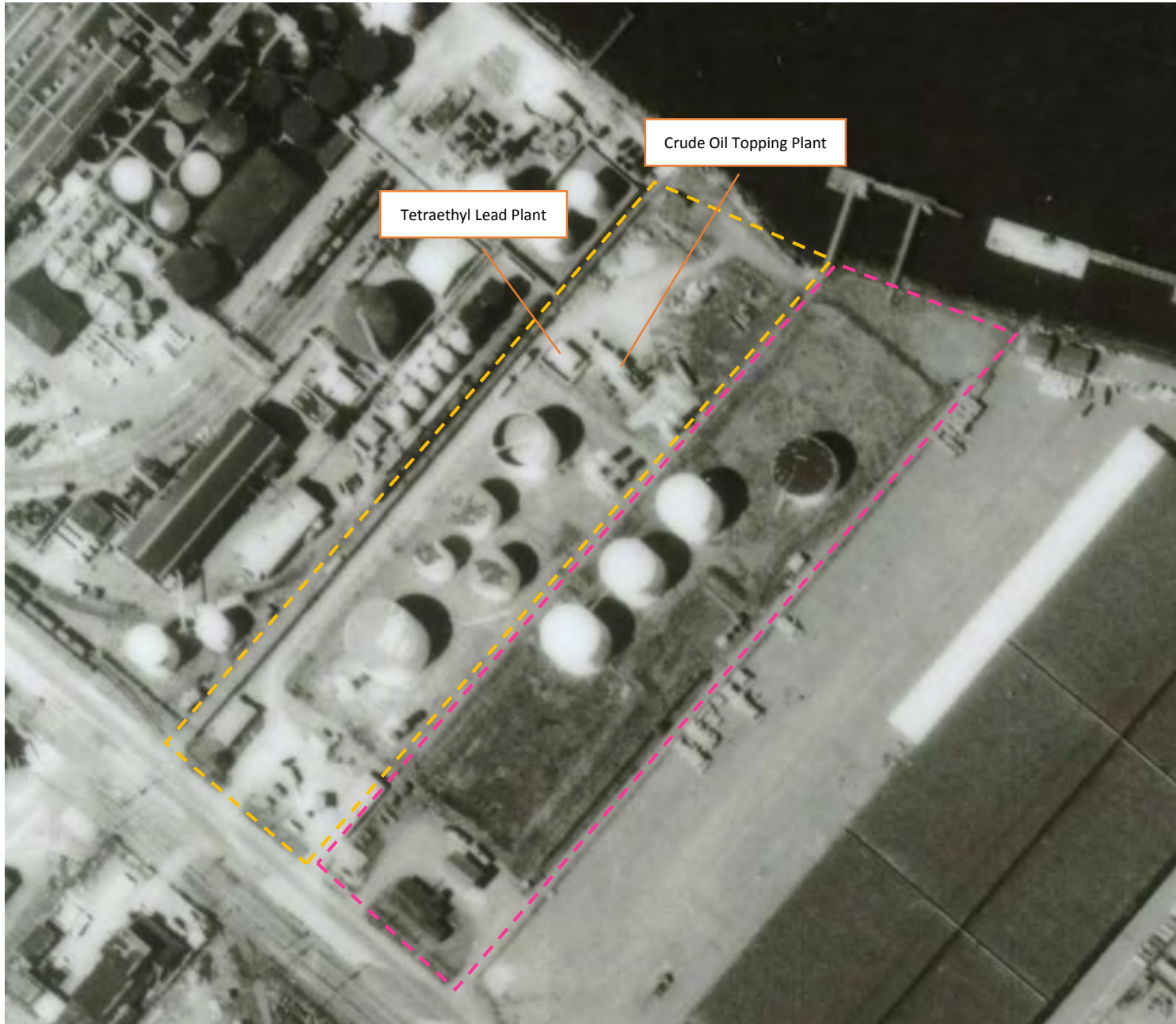
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Tetraethyl Lead Plant

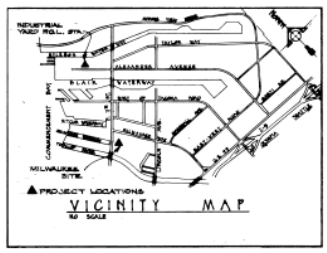
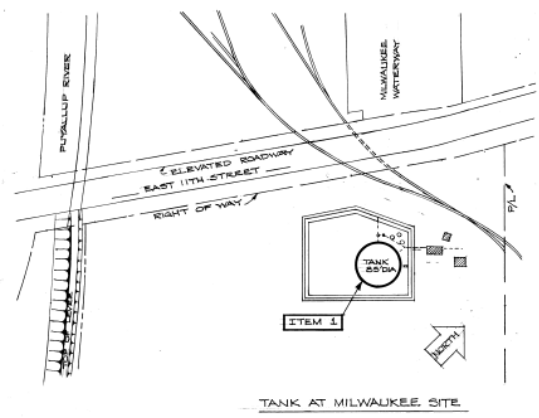
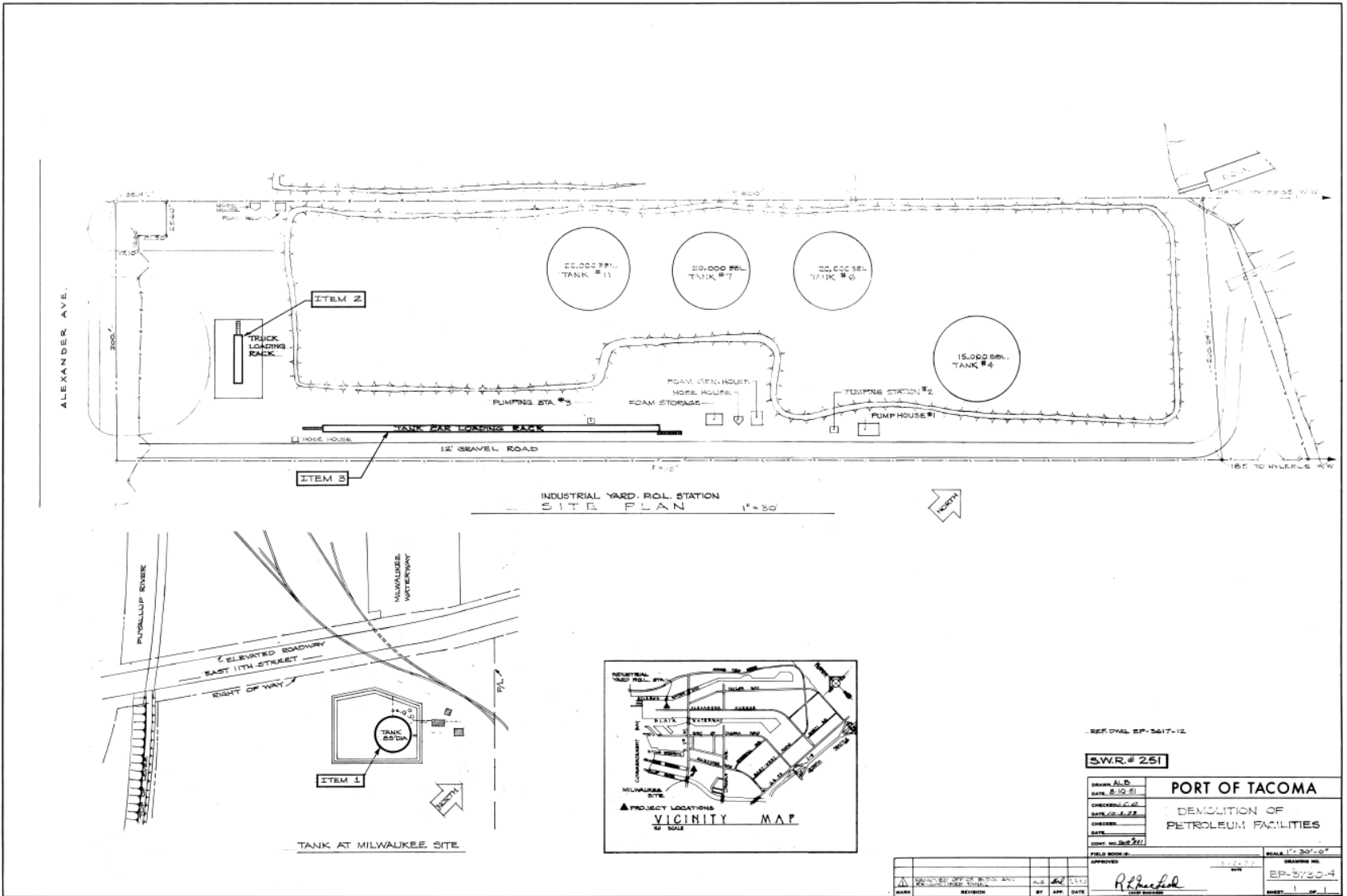
Crude Oil Topping Plant

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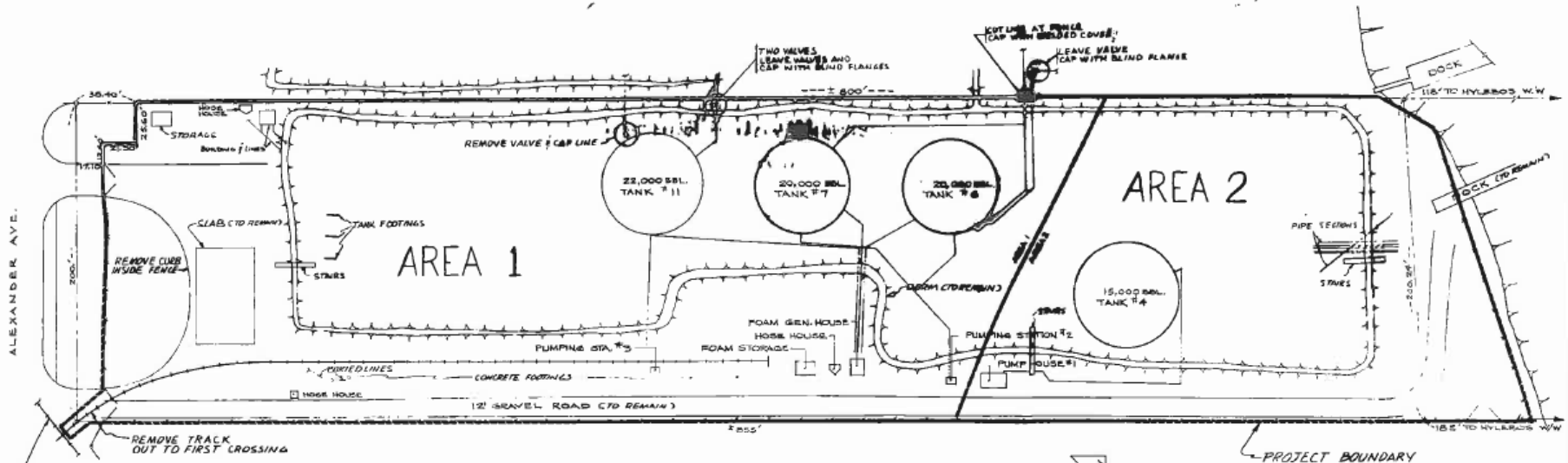
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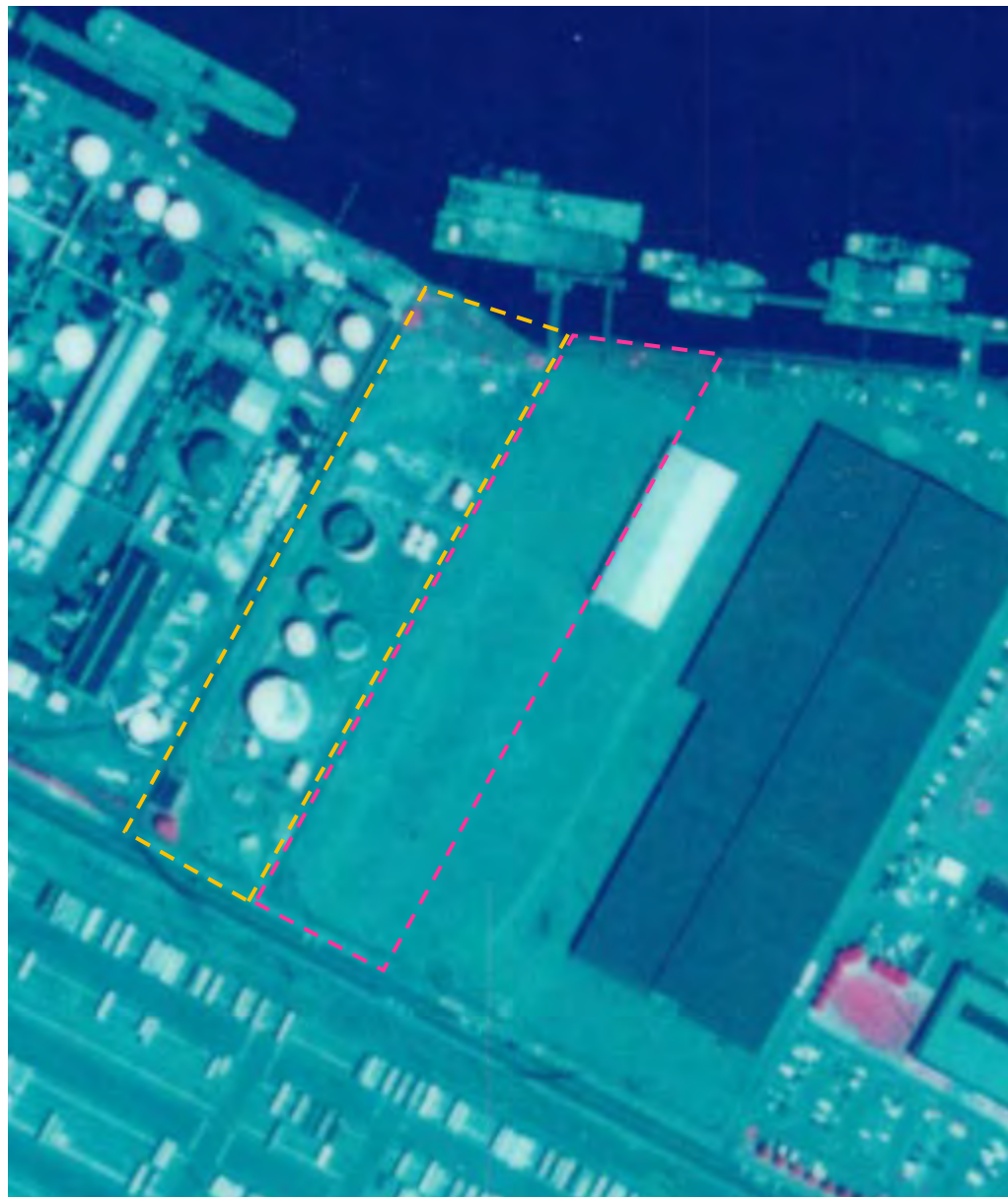
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- FIRE HYDRANTS TO REMAIN

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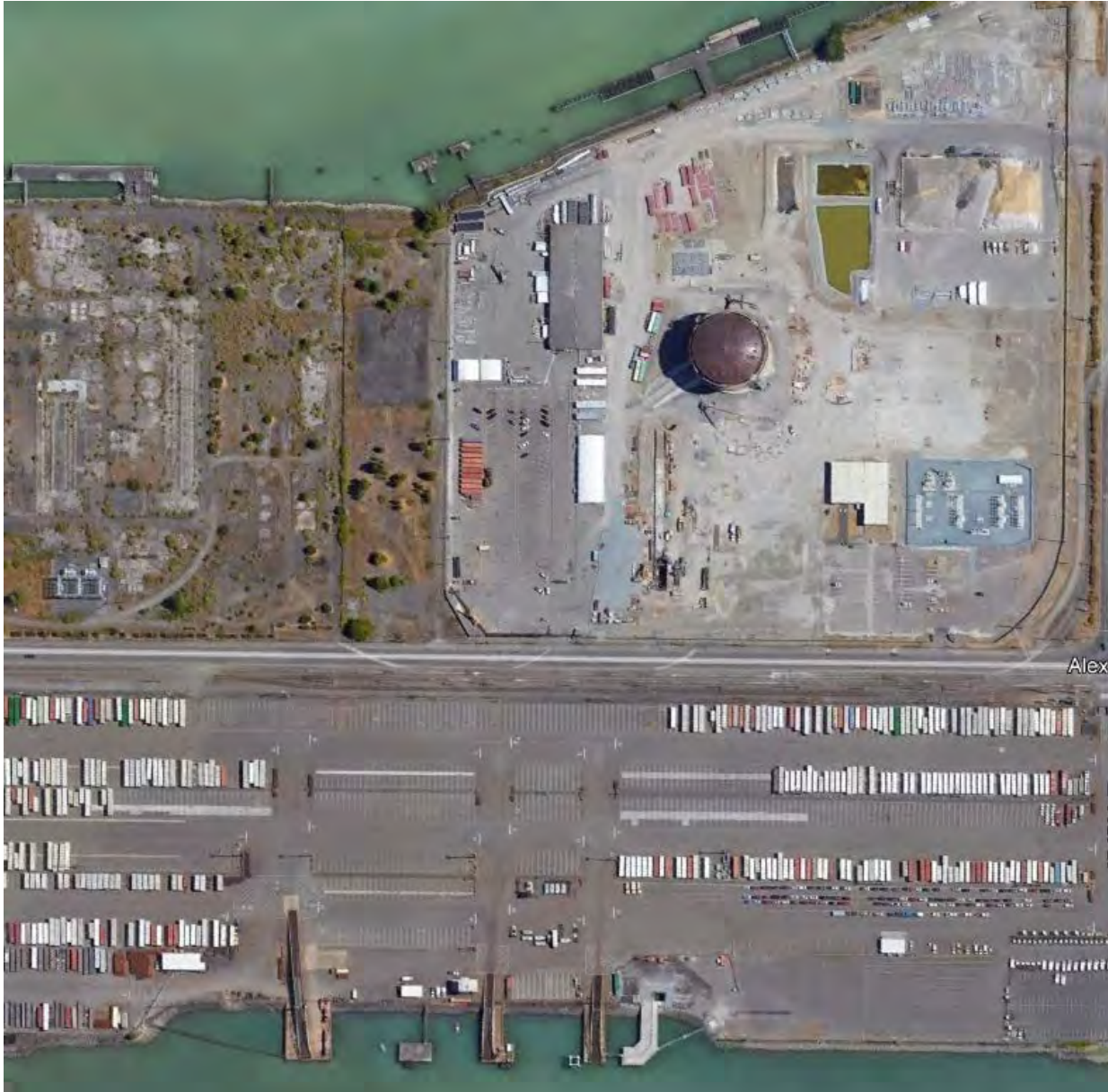


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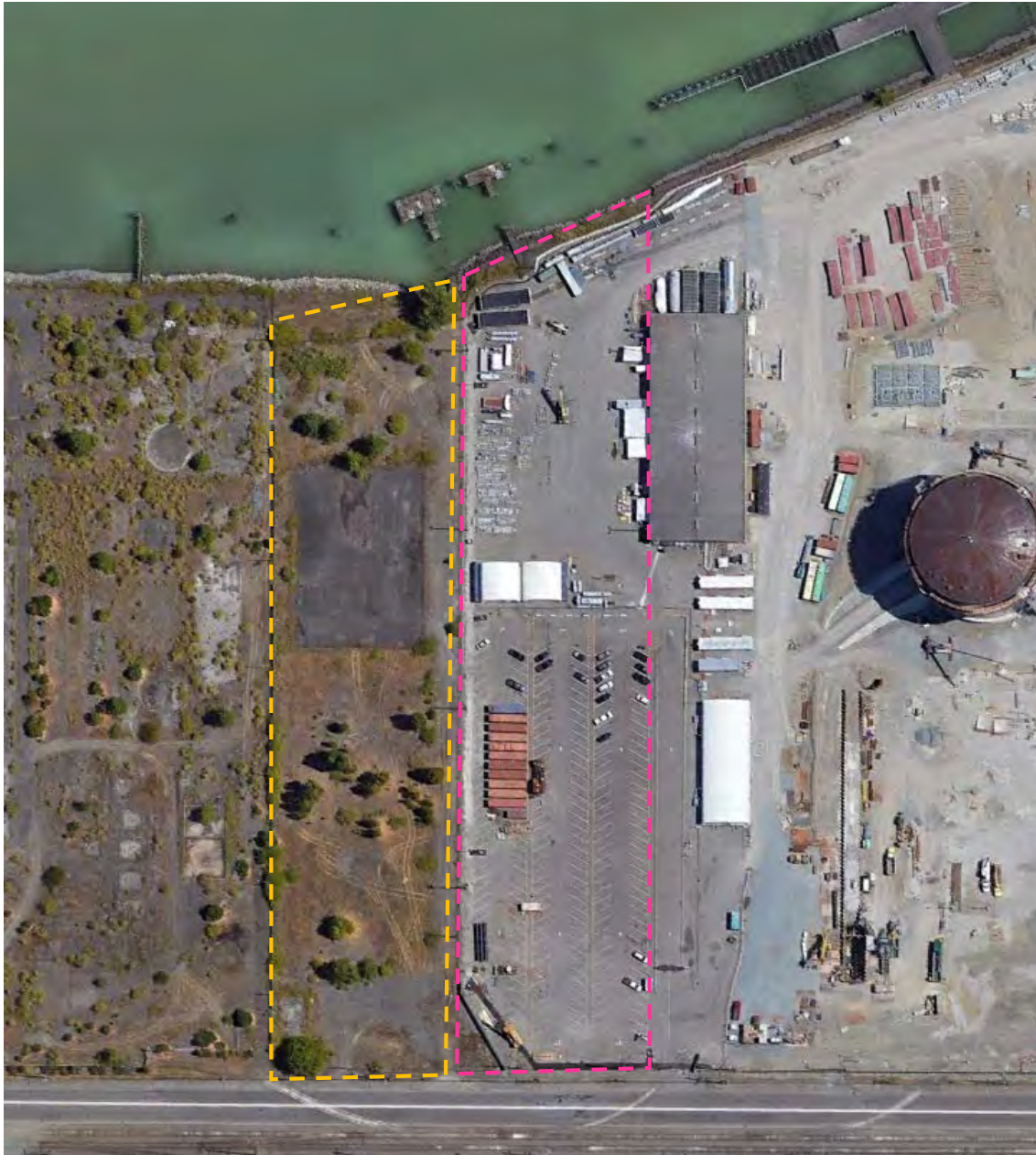
2018



Alex

Google Earth

2018



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# **Plume Capture Evaluation—Occidental Site Remedy**

**From:** Joel Massmann  
**To:** [Weeks, Sarah](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Alexander Ave petroleum capture  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 25, 2018 4:37:22 PM  
**Attachments:** [Captured benzene breakthrough.pdf](#)  
[Escaped particles.xlsx](#)

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Hello Sarah,

I said in our phone call earlier today that I would get back to you with statistics regarding how much of the shallow-zone benzene is captured under Occidental's MSP pumping option. The table below gives the estimated percentage of the benzene mass that is captured. It is about 79%. In terms of the area of the plume area, about 78% is captured. The remaining portion discharges to the Hylebos.

	Mass	Area
Captured	79.4%	78.3%
Escaped	20.6%	21.7%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

The attached figure shows the estimated arrival times for the 79% that is captured. Most of this mass arrives at the well within about 20 years after pumping is initiated. It should be noted that these estimates do not consider sorption or other retardation processes and it does not consider degradation. It assumes the benzene particles travel with the velocity of the groundwater.

Finally, I have attached an Excel file that gives the coordinates of the particles that are not captured. These particles discharge into the Hylebos.

I understand that you want to check with Joyce Mercuri before I perform a similar evaluation for particles in the deeper groundwater zone on the Alexander Avenue properties. I will wait to hear from you before I do that evaluation. If you have any questions about what I have attached, please let me know.

Thanks.

Joel

**Keta Waters**

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Seattle, WA 98144  
(206) 236-6225 or (206) 919-1363 (cell)  
[Joel@KetaWaters.com](mailto:Joel@KetaWaters.com)

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**From:** Joel Massmann [mailto:[massmann@comcast.net](mailto:massmann@comcast.net)]

**Sent:** Monday, September 24, 2018 3:19 PM  
**To:** 'Weeks, Sarah' <sweeks@portoftacoma.com>  
**Subject:** RE: Alexander Ave petroleum capture

Hello Sarah,

I have attached a PDF that describes some of the particle tracking results from the Occidental groundwater model. If you think it would be useful for me to share my screen, the link below will allow that access during our call tomorrow.

<https://join.me/KetaWaters>

I assume you will pass this on to others as you see fit. Could you also send me the call-in information? Thanks.

Joel

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**From:** Joel Massmann [<mailto:massmann@comcast.net>]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 21, 2018 2:49 PM  
**To:** 'Weeks, Sarah' <[sweeks@portoftacoma.com](mailto:sweeks@portoftacoma.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Alexander Ave petroleum capture

Tuesday at 9 works for me. I will send you some PowerPoint slides and a link for the webinar on Monday. I assume you will forward the link to the others who will be on the call/meeting.  
Joel

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**From:** Weeks, Sarah [<mailto:sweeks@portoftacoma.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 21, 2018 2:38 PM  
**To:** Joel Massmann <[massmann@comcast.net](mailto:massmann@comcast.net)>  
**Subject:** RE: Alexander Ave petroleum capture

Hi Joel –

Great! A webinar would be great. We already have a project meeting set up on Tuesday the 25<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Would that work for you?

Sarah

**Sarah Weeks** | Environmental Project Manager | Port of Tacoma | 253.383.9450 |  
[www.portoftacoma.com](http://www.portoftacoma.com)

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**From:** Joel Massmann [<mailto:massmann@comcast.net>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 20, 2018 9:07 AM

**To:** Weeks, Sarah <[sweeks@portoftacoma.com](mailto:sweeks@portoftacoma.com)>

**Subject:** RE: Alexander Ave petroleum capture

Hello Sarah,

I have incorporated the benzene and GRO plumes that Charles provided into the groundwater flow model and have run particle tracking algorithms to evaluate plume capture. I have looked at particle tracks for both the “no-action” alternative and for Occidental’s preferred alternative.

How would you like those results presented? I could send you a brief memo that describes the results or we could set up a webinar to go over the results. If there are other simulations that you know you want to consider, please let me know.

Thanks.

Joel

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Hi Joel –

Checking in on the capture analysis for the petroleum contaminant plume at Alexander Avenue. Were you able to connect with Charles and get what you needed to run the analysis?

Sarah

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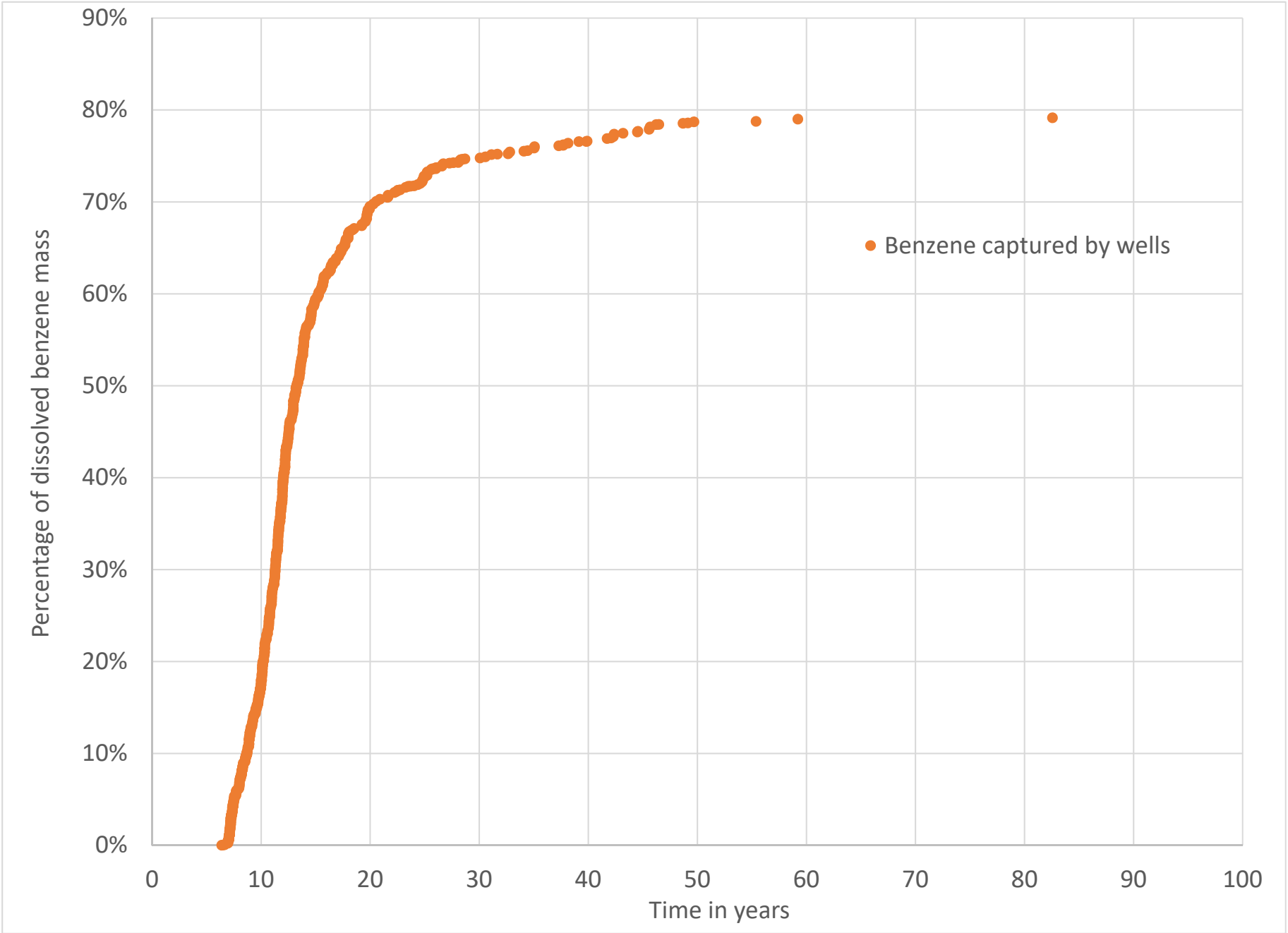
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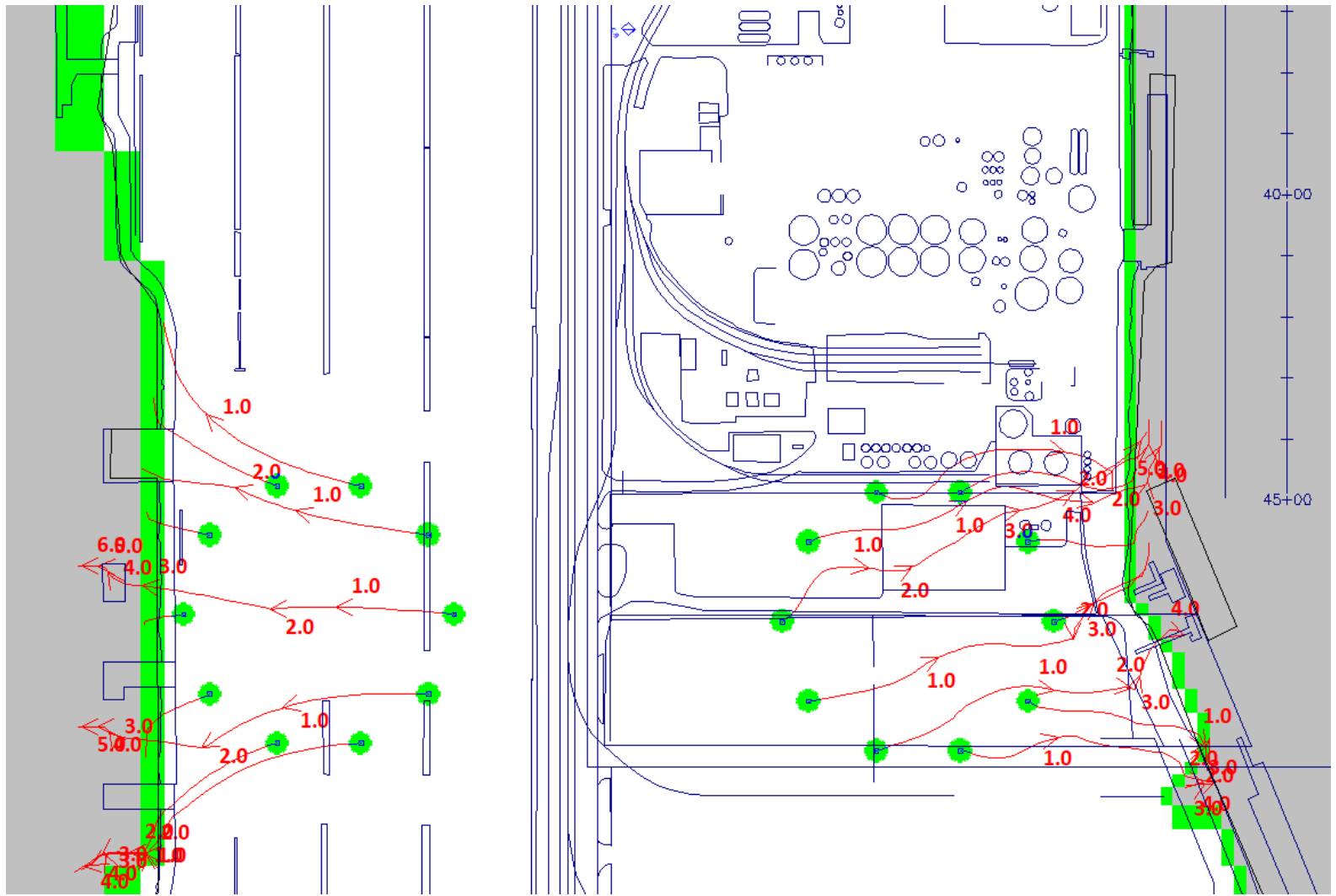
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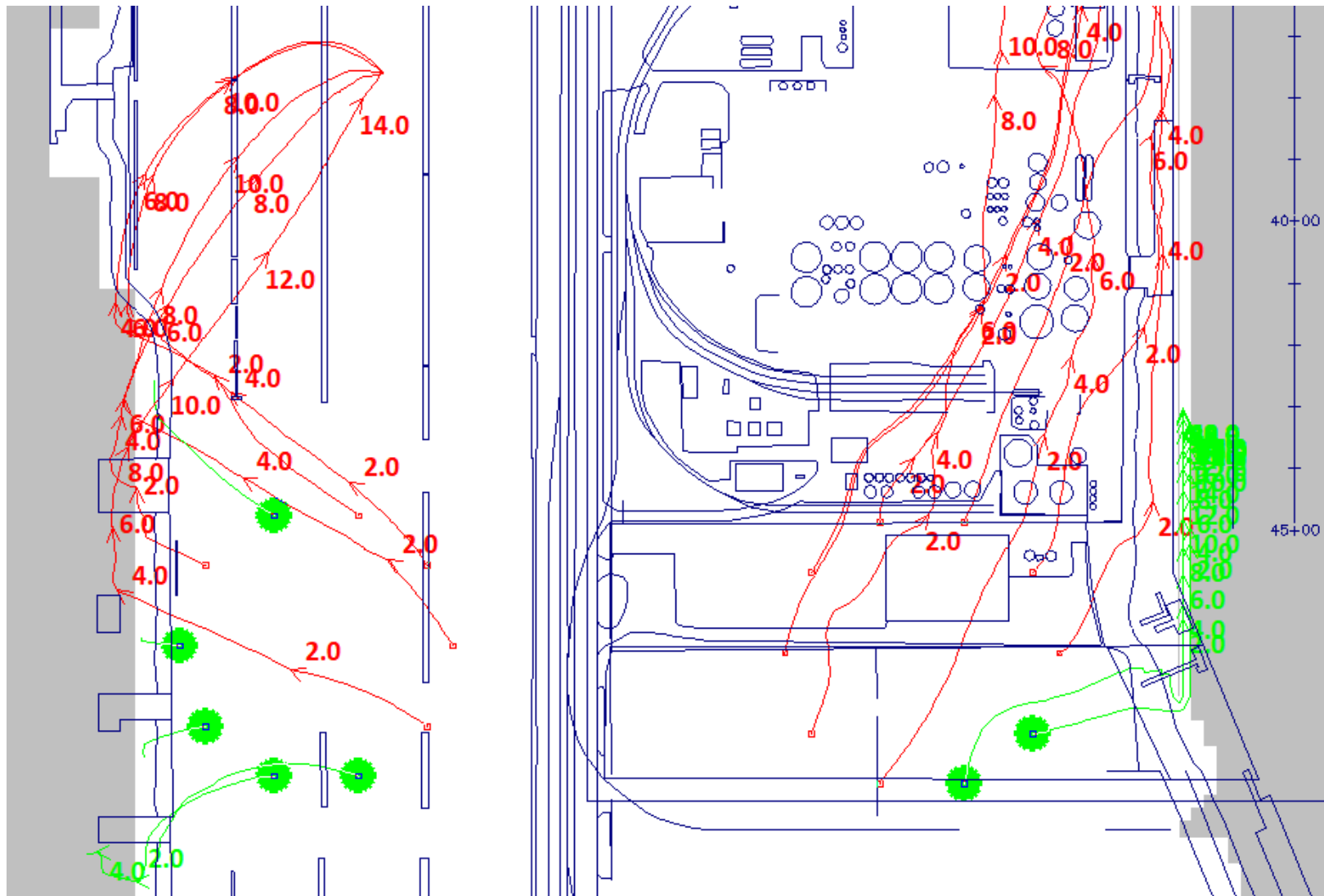
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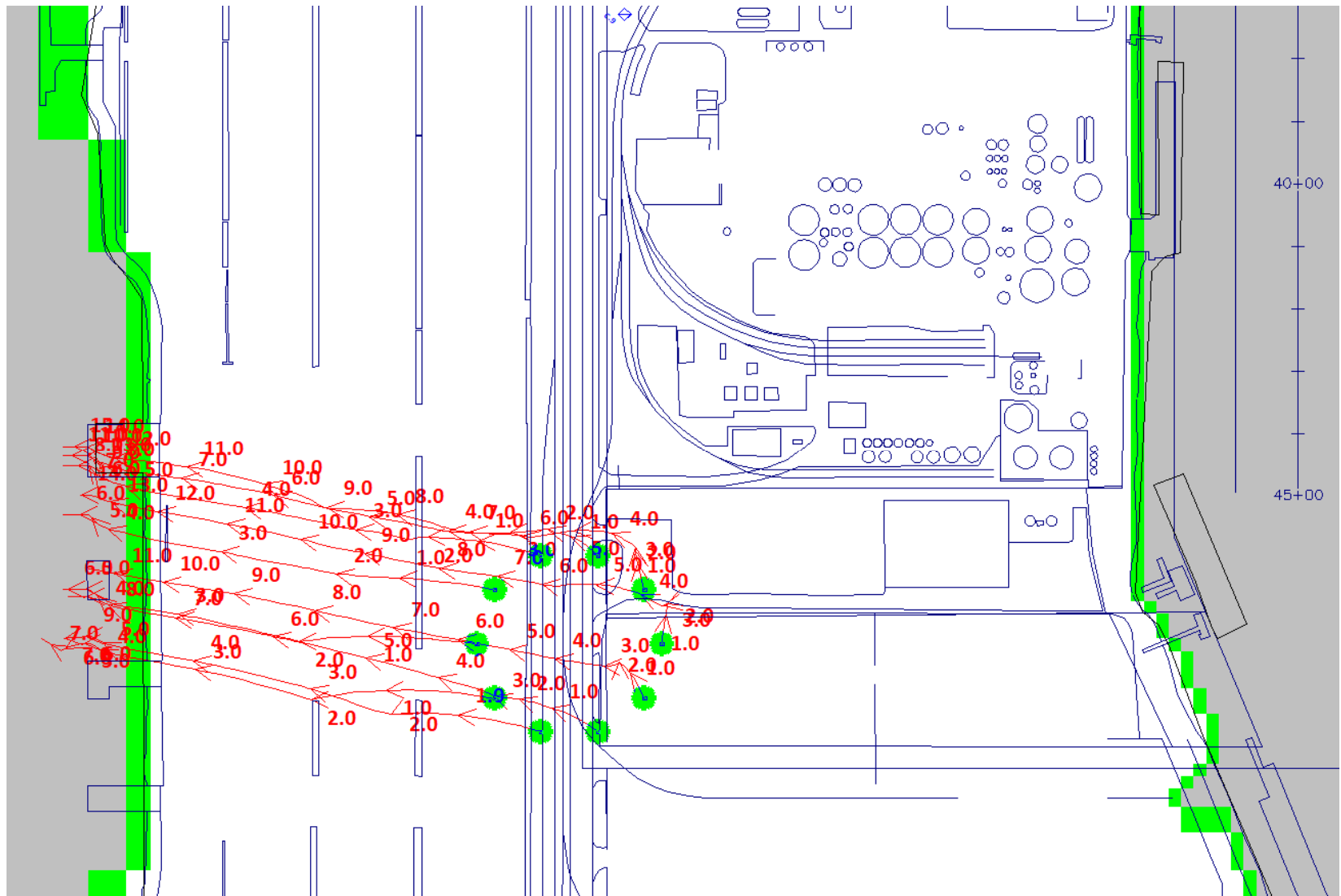




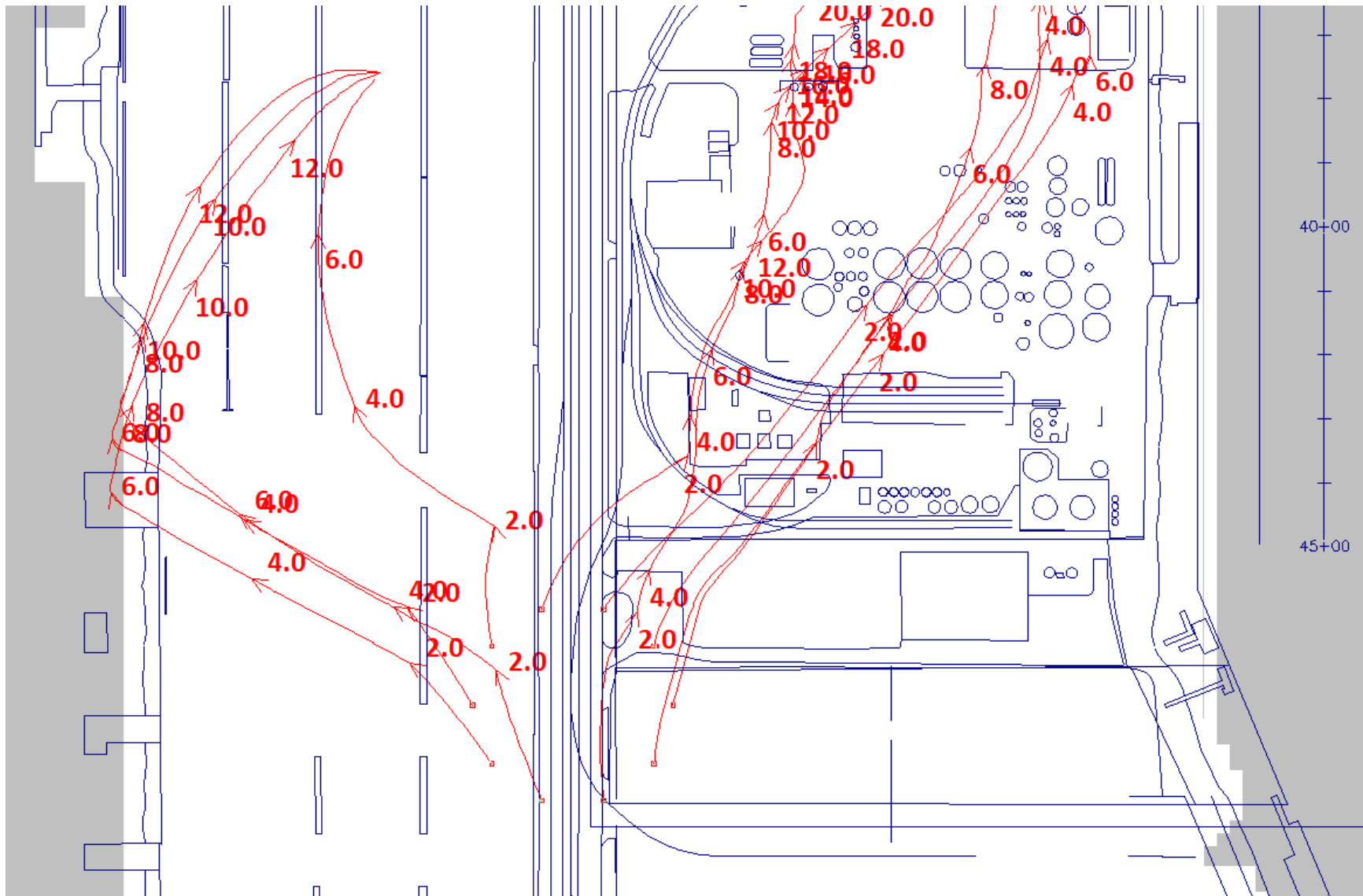
**Figure 1.** Particle tracks for the OCC “No Action” alternative. Arrow heads give the locations at yearly intervals. Particles are placed in layer 1 (elevation +12 to -1.75 ft NGVD). All particles discharge to the Hylebos or Blair Waterway. Travel times are on the order of 2 to 4 years. This travel time does not consider the effects of sorption or other retardation processes. Particle tracks for the existing system are essentially the same as those shown above.



**Figure 2.** Particle tracks for the OCC “MSP” alternative. Green circles and lines denote particles that discharge to either the Hylebos or Blair waterways. Red squares and lines denote particles captured by the MSP extraction system. The average travel time to the extraction system is approximately 10 to 20 years.



**Figure 1.** Particle tracks for the OCC “No Action” alternative. Arrow heads give the locations at yearly intervals. Particles are placed in layer 1 (elevation +12 to -1.75 ft NGVD). All particles discharge to the Blair Waterway. Travel times are on the order of 5 to 10 years. This travel time does not consider the effects of sorption or other retardation processes.



**Figure 2.** Particle tracks for the OCC “MSP” alternative. Ten particles were released in the vicinity of Alexander Avenue. Red squares and lines denote that all particles are captured by the MSP extraction system. The average travel time to the extraction system is approximately 10 to 20 years.



**Figure 1.** Particle tracks for benzene in the shallow aquifer with the “MSP” pumping system. Concentration information provided by C. San Juan, Ecology. Plume contour shown in black corresponds to 24 ug/L benzene and and contours shown in white corresponds to 800 ug/L GRO. Blue tracks discharge to Hylebos Waterway; red tracks are captured by pumping system.



**Figure 2.** Particle tracks for benzene in the shallow aquifer with the “No Action” alternative. Concentration information provided by C. San Juan, Ecology. Plume contour shown in black corresponds to 24 ug/L benzene and and contours shown in white corresponds to 800 ug/L GRO. Blue tracks discharge to Hylebos Waterway.

# **Petroleum Hot Spot Analyses**





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# Alexander Ave. Petroleum

SOIL MASS, VOLUME AND AREA

# Alexander Ave. Petroleum

- How much soil needs to be removed / treated?
- What is a reasonable and permanent remedy?
- What will it cost?

# Methods

- Assemble historical soil TPH data.
- Derive target concentrations. Map soil TPH footprints at target concentrations.
- **Use contouring and polygon methods to calculate soil TPH mass, volume and area from target concentrations.**
- Compare results.

# Plume Stability Method

*Use the plume stability method to calculate concentration, mass, volume and area...*

**J.A. Ricker/ Ground Water Monitoring & Remediation 28, no. 4: 85–94**

## A Practical Method to Evaluate Ground Water Contaminant Plume Stability

by Joseph A. Ricker

### Abstract

Evaluating plume stability is important for the evaluation of natural attenuation of dissolved chemicals in ground water. When characterizing ground water contaminant plumes, there are numerous methods for evaluating concentration data. Typically, the data are tabulated and ground water concentrations presented on a site figure. Contaminant concentration isopleth maps are typically developed to evaluate temporal changes in the plume boundaries, and plume stability is often assessed by conducting trend analyses for individual monitoring wells. However, it is becoming more important to understand and effectively communicate the nature of the entire plume in terms of its stability (i.e., is the plume growing, shrinking, or stable?). This article presents a method for evaluating plume stability using innovative techniques to calculate and assess historical trends in various plume characteristics, including area, average concentration, contaminant mass, and center of mass. Contaminant distribution isopleths are developed for several sampling events, and the characteristics mentioned previously are calculated for each event using numerical methods and engineering principles. A statistical trend analysis is then performed on the calculated values to assess the plume stability. The methodology presented here has been used at various contaminated sites to effectively evaluate the stability of contaminant plumes comprising tetrachloroethene, carbon tetrachloride, pentachlorophenol, creosote, naphthalene, benzene, and chloroethane. Although other methods for assessing contaminant plume stability exist, this method has been shown to be efficient, reliable, and applicable to any site with an established monitoring well network and multiple years of analytical data.

### Introduction

Evaluating plume stability is important for the evaluation of natural attenuation of dissolved chemicals in ground water. U.S. EPA (1998) states that the primary line of evidence in evaluating natural attenuation is historical ground water chemistry data that demonstrate a clear and meaningful trend of decreasing contaminant mass and/or concentration over time at appropriate monitoring or sampling points. When characterizing ground water contaminant plumes, there are numerous methods for evaluating concentration data.

Wiedemeier et al. (2000) discussed common approaches for evaluating plume stability using both graphical and statistical techniques. Graphical methods include the following: (1) the preparation of contaminant concentration isopleth maps; (2) plotting concentration data vs. time for individual monitoring wells; and (3) plotting concentration data vs. distance downgradient for several monitoring wells. Common statistical methods for evaluation of

temporal and spatial trends include regression analysis (U.S. EPA 2006), the Mann-Whitney *U*-test (Mann and Whitney 1947), and the Mann-Kendall test (U.S. EPA 2006; Gilbert 1987).

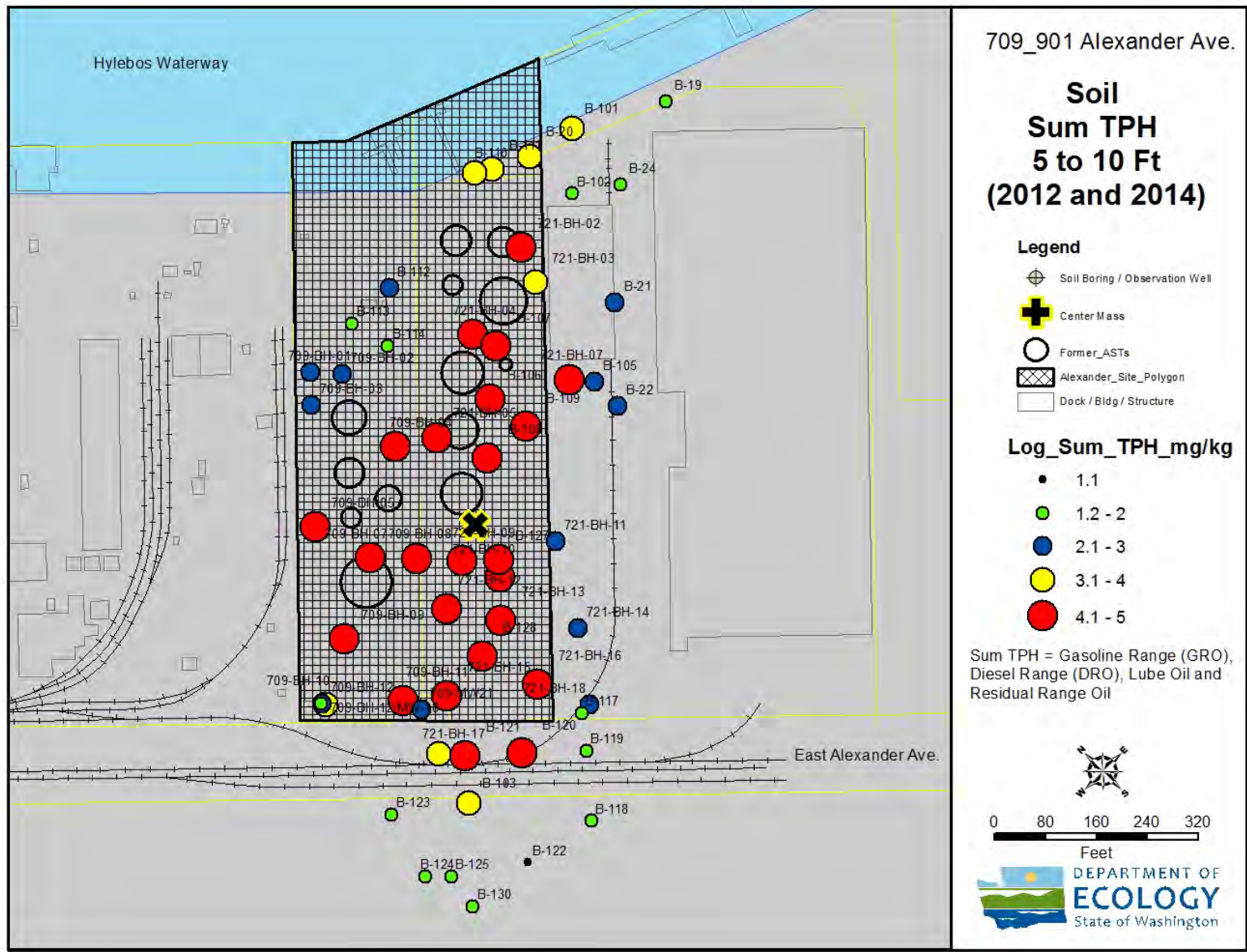
Graphical plume stability analysis by comparing isopleth maps over time can provide compelling visual evidence for natural attenuation. However, a comparison of apparent plume size over time does not always provide a complete analysis. Consider, for example, the case of a plume that discharges to a surface water body, or a plume geometry that is persistent over time. In this case, the plume area would remain relatively unchanged, whereas the overall plume average concentration and mass may be decreasing. The change in plume mass would not be necessarily reflected in the visual analysis of isopleth maps. However, a quantitative analysis of changes in overall plume concentration and mass would provide a better understanding of the plume stability.

A common approach for evaluating plume stability is the use of statistical analysis techniques for single-well data. However, chemical concentration trends at individual monitoring wells may show different trends. For example, at a given site, there may be wells exhibiting decreasing

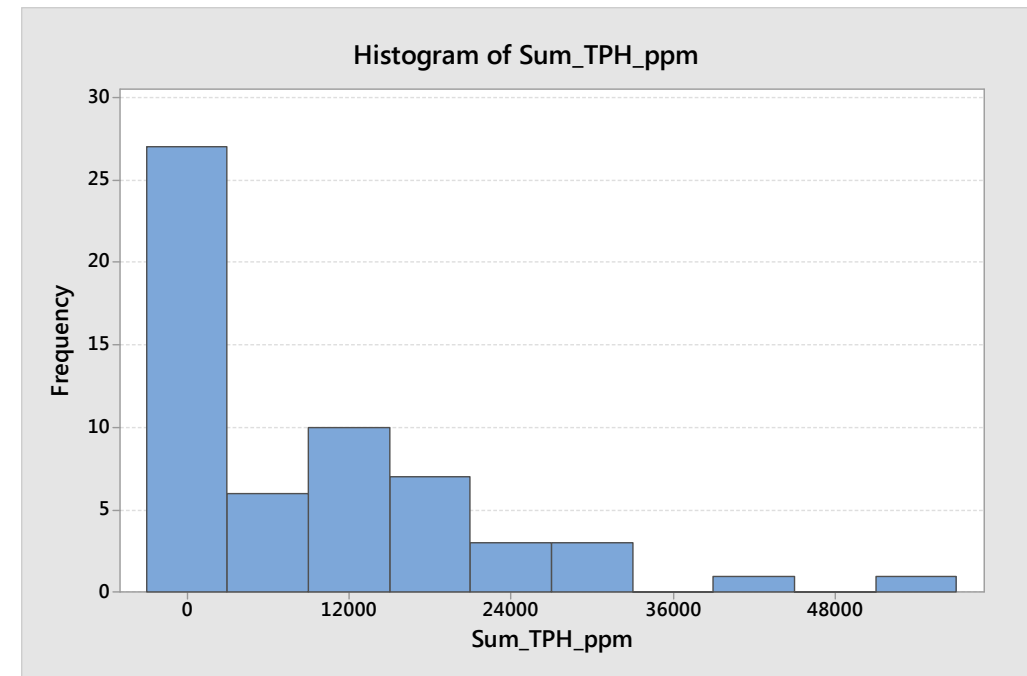
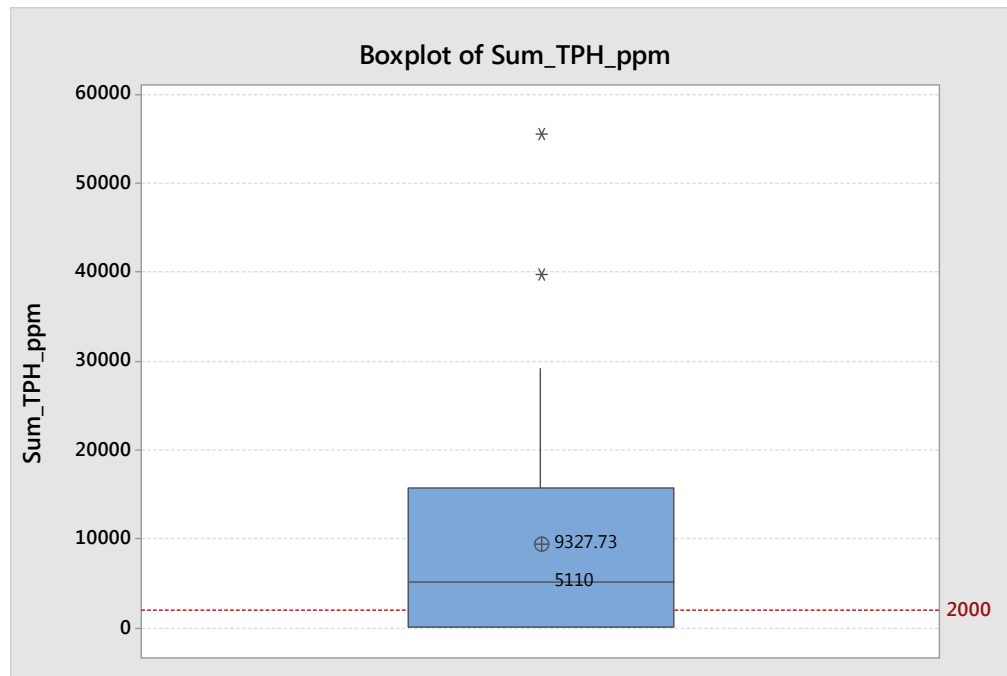
# Baseline Data Assembly (Soil TPH)

- Assemble historical soil TPH data (gasoline, diesel, lube oil and residual range; Ecology EIM; Occidental GHD e-dat database). Filter the data to the 709, 721 and 901 parcels (omit 605 parcel / Occidental). Result = 1,003 records (1989-2014). Soil sampling depths @ < 1 to 75 feet.
- Re-filter the data to: 1) date collected (2012 and 2014) and 2) depth (5 to 10 ft). Filter and omit the "B-XX" (e.g. B-10) series data (LNG plant), except for B-19, 20, 21, 22 and 24. Result = 173 records.
- Sum the TPH result for each location (sum = gasoline, diesel and lube oil). If more than one result per location, then select the higher value. **Result = 58 records.**

Baseline Soil  
Sum TPH  
Data  
Alexander  
Petroleum



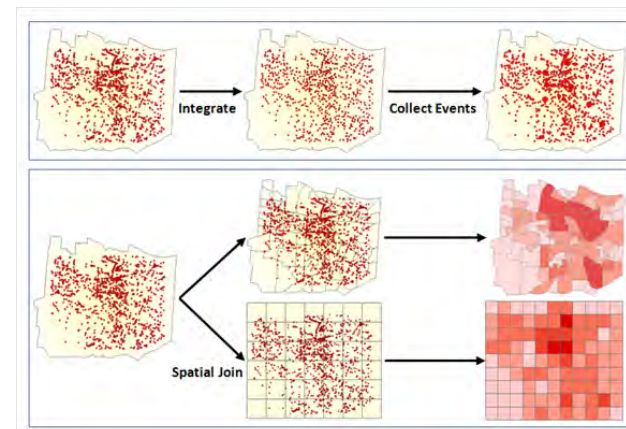
# Soil Sum TPH Box Plot and Histogram



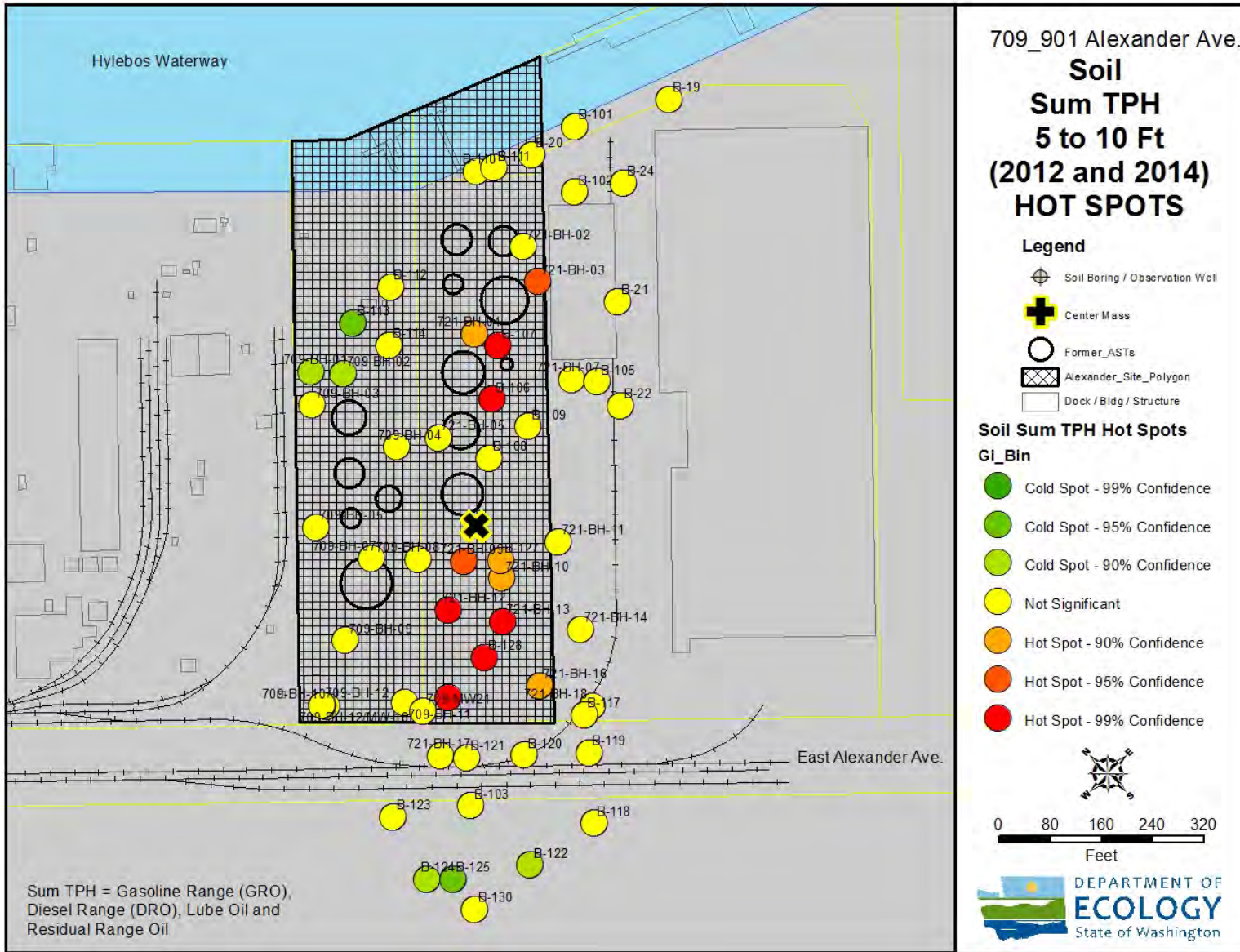
# Soil TPH HOT SPOTS

- Use ArcMap geostat analyst to define soil TPH hot spots.
- Calculate mass, volume and area from hot spot target concentration.

The Hot Spot Analysis tool calculates the Getis-Ord  $G_i^*$  statistic (pronounced G-i-star) for each feature in a dataset. The resultant z-scores and p-values tell you where features with either high or low values cluster spatially.







## Soil Sum TPH Hot Spots (n = 12)

Location	Sum_TPH_ppm
721-BH-03	6,860
721-BH-04	55,490
721-BH-09	15,670
721-BH-10	20,080
721-BH-12	25,310
721-BH-13	29,210
721-BH-15	20,050
721-BH-16	27,390
B-106	10,480
B-107	20,900
B-127	13,267
B-128	25,420

# Target Soil Concentrations

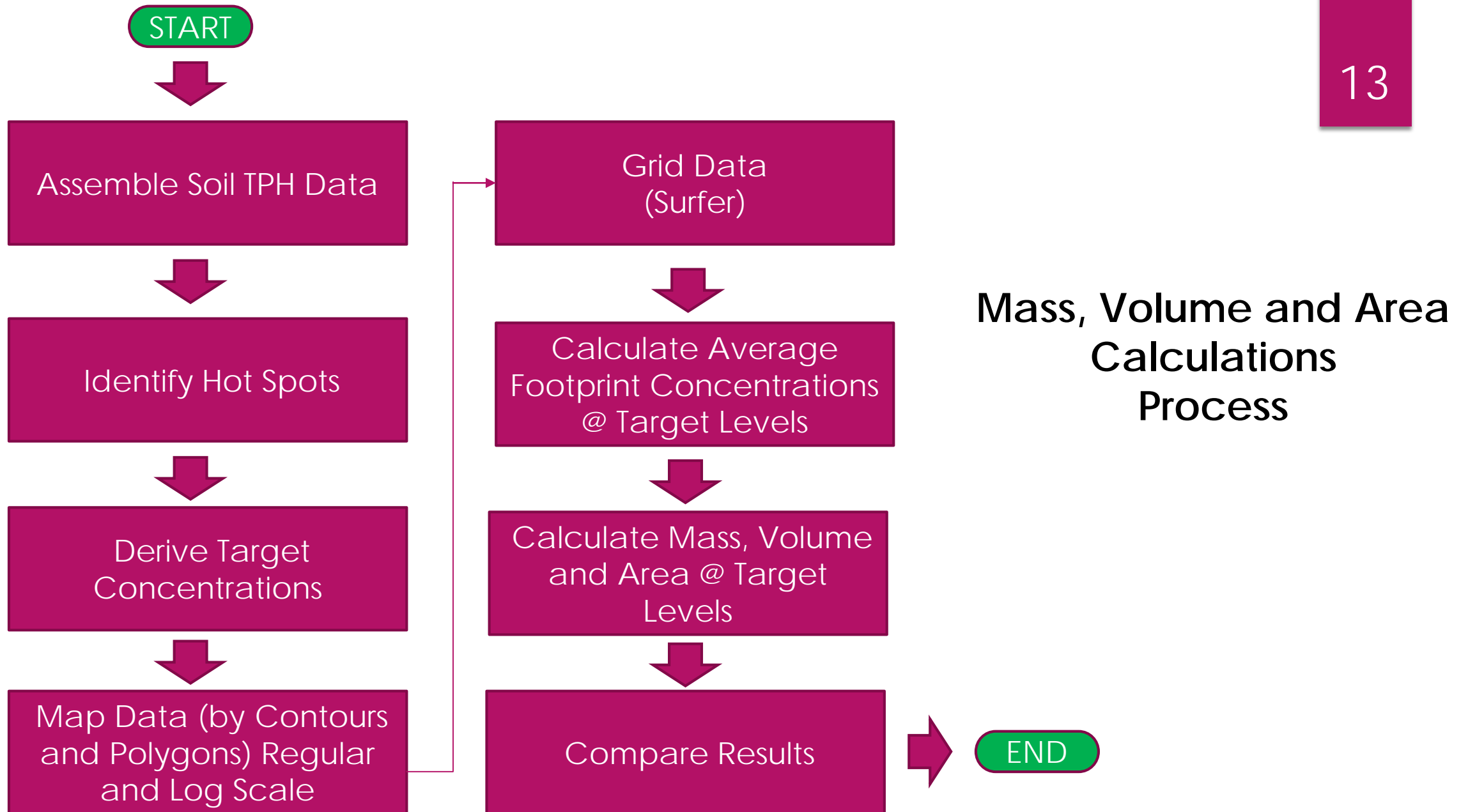
- **What is an appropriate target concentration?** You need target levels for mass, volume and area.
- Use two methods: 1) arbitrary, and 2) hot spot.
- Use Method A soil diesel range target of 2,000 ppm as the baseline.
- Arbitrary (best professional judgement) – target soil sum TPH concentrations @ 2,000 ppm, 5,000 ppm, 10,000 ppm, 15,000 ppm and 30,000 ppm selected.
- Hot spot – target concentration is derived from ArcMap hot spot statistical analysis.

# Soil TPH Volume and Area

- Use the Surfer contouring software to grid the data. Use both **regular scale** and **log-transformed** concentration data to determine the area footprints.
- Calculate mass, volume and area from the target concentrations. Use the Surfer (Golden Software) contouring software to grid the data. Calculate the grid volume @ target concentrations (X and Y = ft units; Z = concentration = mg/kg). **Divide the grid volume (ft<sup>2</sup>\*mg/kg) by area (ft<sup>2</sup>) for average sum-TPH soil concentration (mg/kg).**
- **Note – average footprint concentration is target level + average footprint concentration. For example, if target is 2,000 ppm, then final average concentration = 2,000 ppm + (average footprint concentration). Why? It's because you are calculating the average concentration above some target.**

# Soil TPH Mass

- **Mass = Soil Concentration \* UCF \* Soil Bulk Density \* Soil Volume**
- Soil Concentration = average sum-TPH (mg/kg)
- UCF = unit conversion (1 kg =  $1 \times 10^6$  mg)
- Soil bulk density = 42.5 (kg/ft<sup>3</sup>)
- Soil Volume = (ft<sup>3</sup>) = area above target (ft<sup>2</sup>)\*thickness (5-ft)\*soil porosity (0.3)



# Soil Sum TPH Average Concentrations (Regular Scale Concentration Contours)

Target_ Soil	Positive Volume (Cut)	Positive Planar Area (Cut)	Average Sum TPH
mg/kg	mg/kg*ft2	ft2	mg/kg
2,000	4,504,275,682	366,635	14,285
5,000	3,462,126,624	318,506	15,870
10,000	2,015,044,497	251,480	18,013
15,000	1,044,901,976	140,037	22,462
19,000	589,337,947	90,737	25,495
30,000	75,377,940	14,078	35,354

# Soil Sum TPH Average Concentrations (Log Scale Concentration Contours)

Target_ Soil	Positive Volume (Cut)	Positive Planar Area (Cut)	Average Sum TPH
mg/kg	mg/kg*ft2	ft2	mg/kg
2,000	4,504,275,682	262,537	19,157
5,000	3,462,126,624	215,831	21,041
10,000	2,015,044,497	162,965	22,365
15,000	1,044,901,976	97,032	25,769
19,000	589,337,947	63,727	28,248
30,000	75,377,940	14,175	35,318

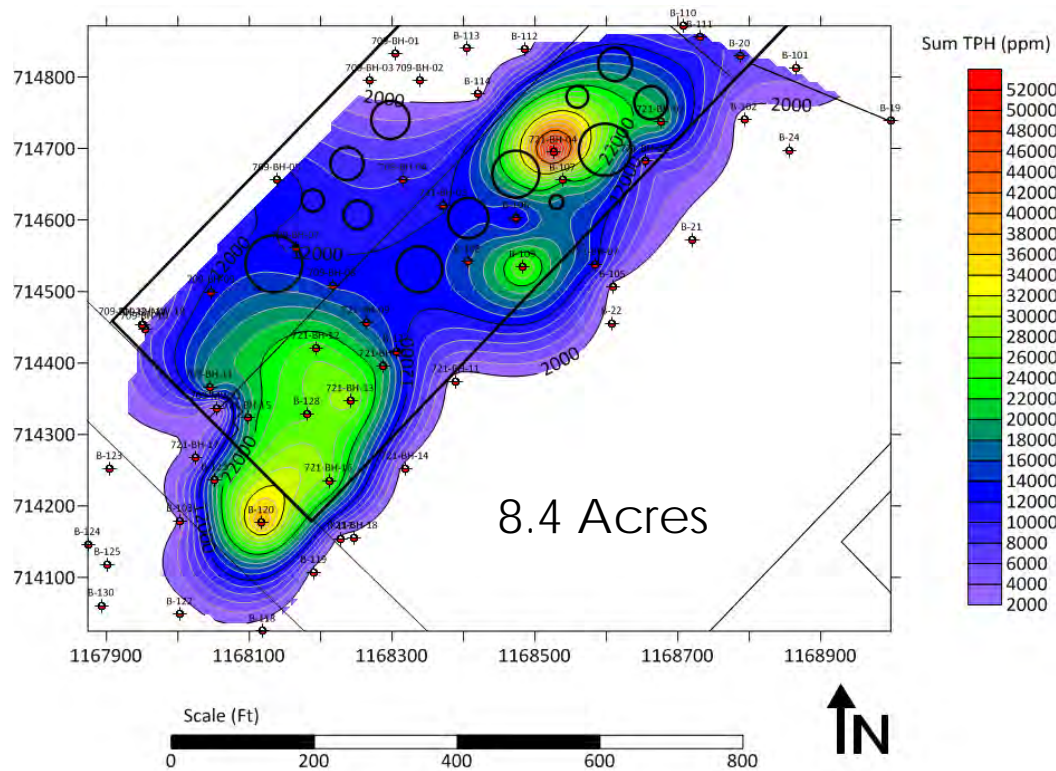
# HOT SPOT Soil Sum TPH Average Concentration

Substance	Positive Volume (Cut)	Positive Planar Area (Cut)	*Average Sum TPH	Target__Log_Soil
	mg/kg*ft2	ft2	mg/kg	mg/kg
Sum_TPH	1,305,057,544	68,764	18,979	4.3

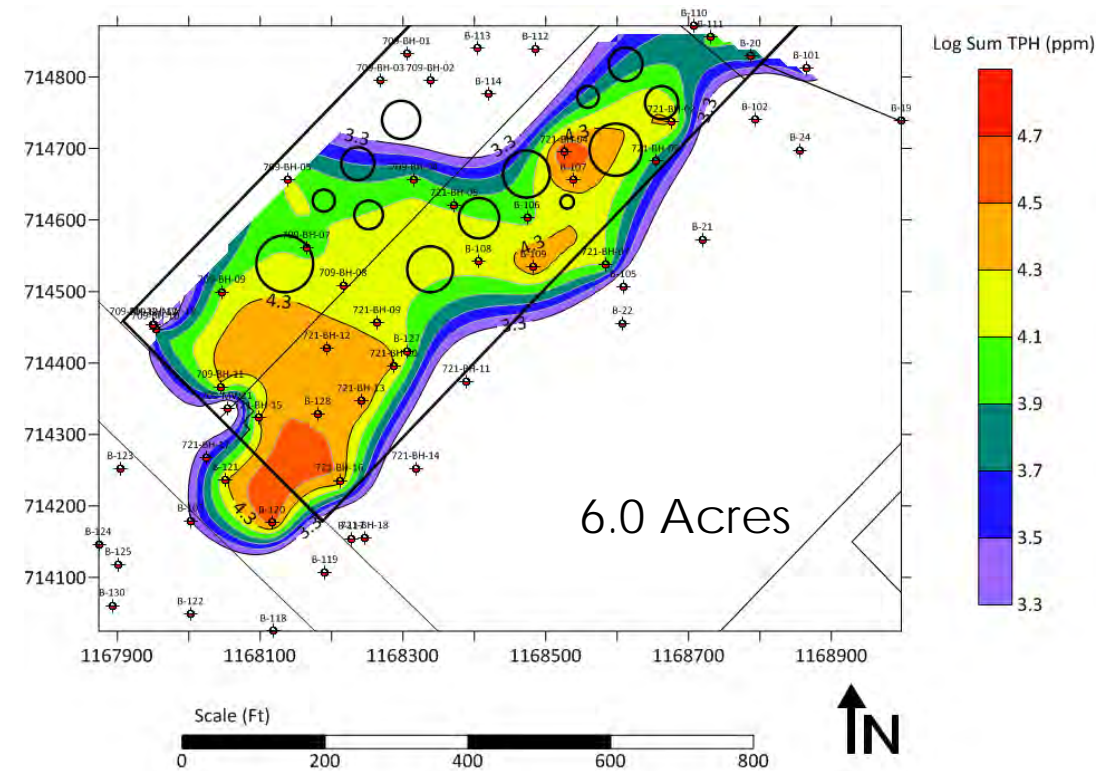
\*Note – this is the average concentration for the hot spot footprint (12 data points).



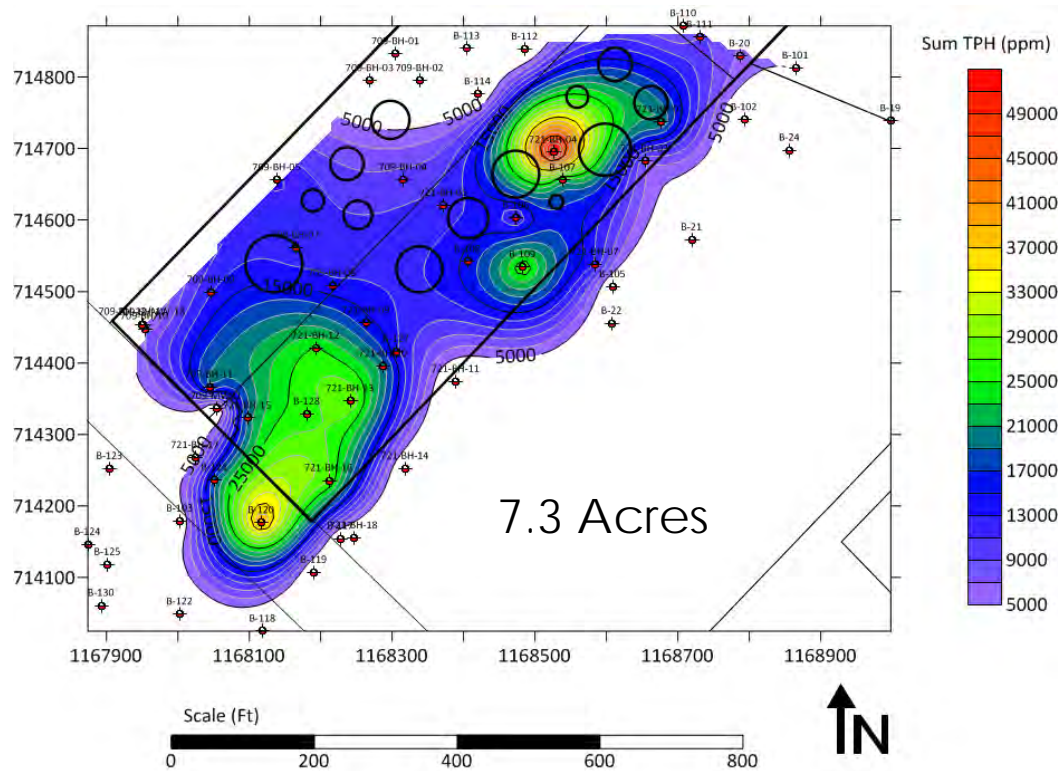
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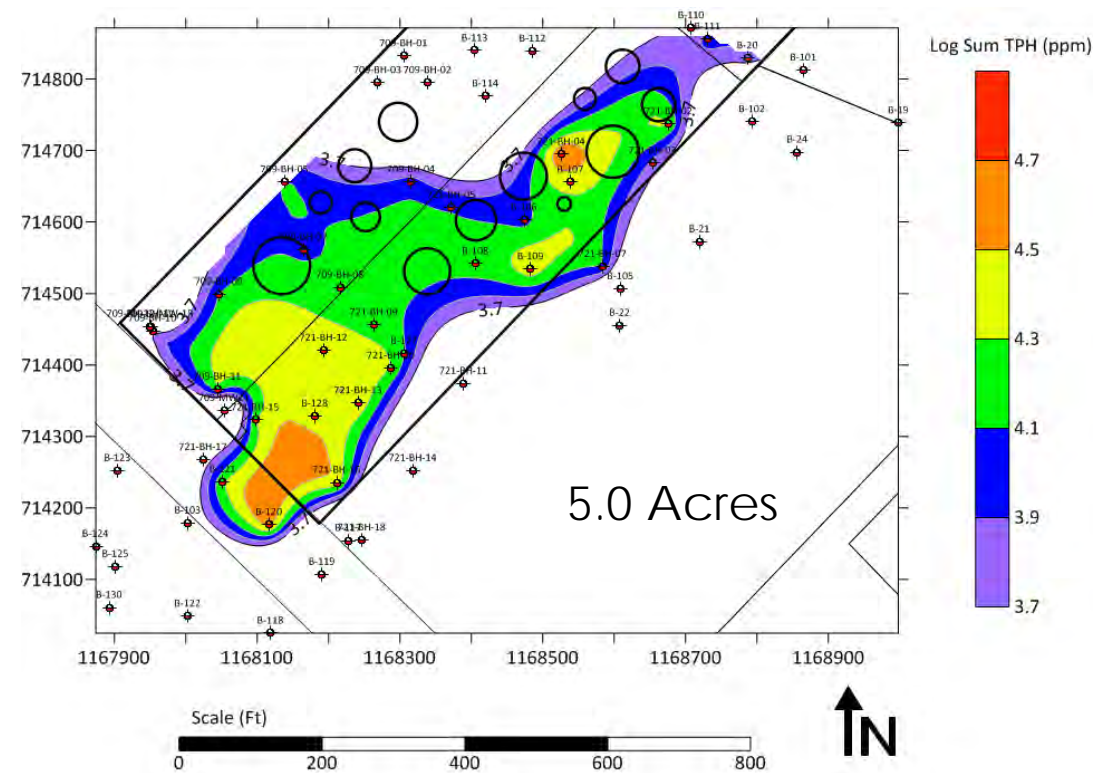
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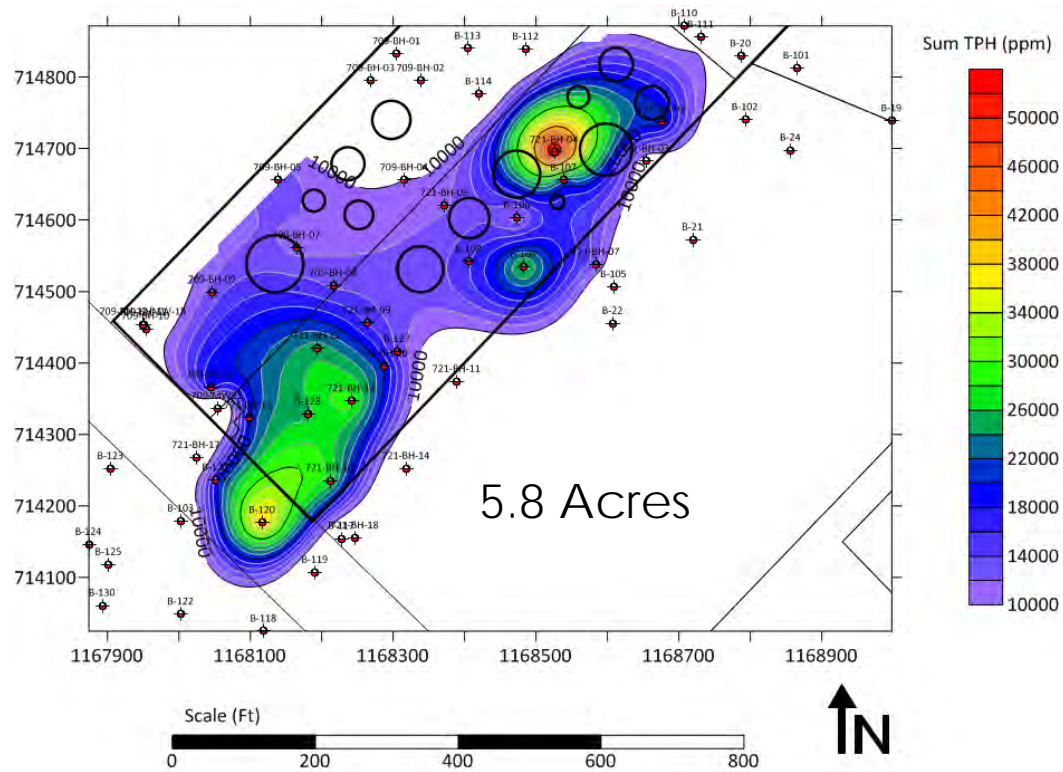
Soil Sum TPH Footprint @ Target = 5,000 ppm



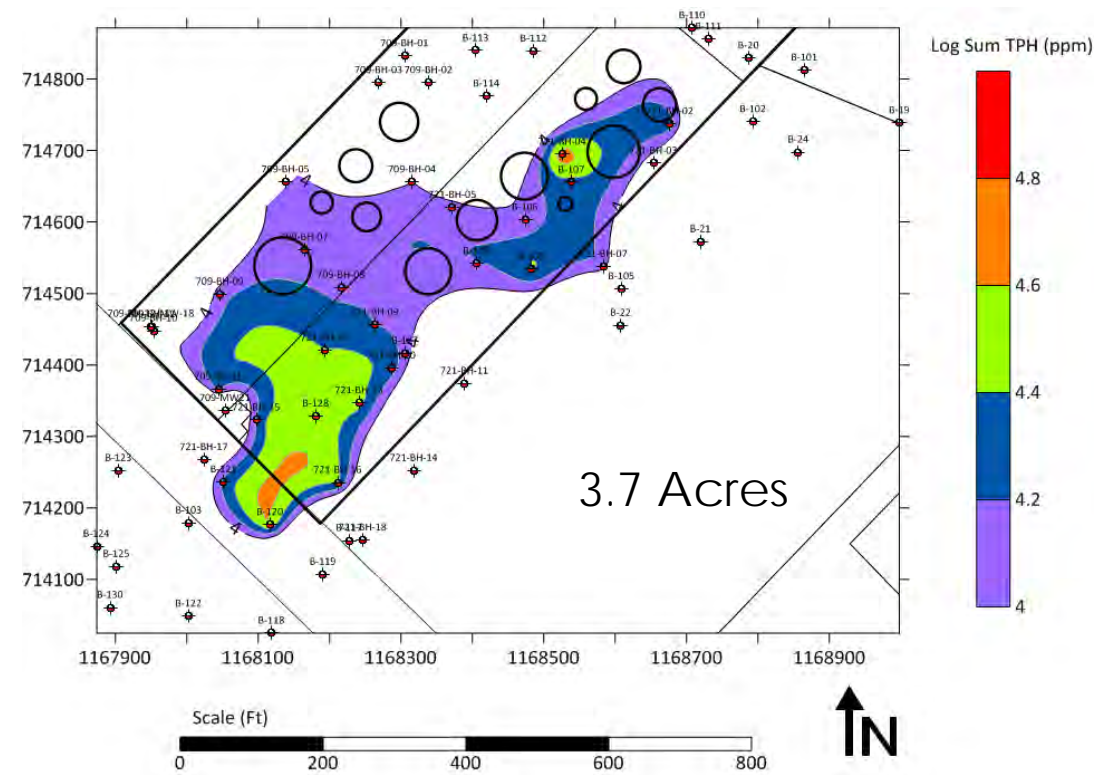
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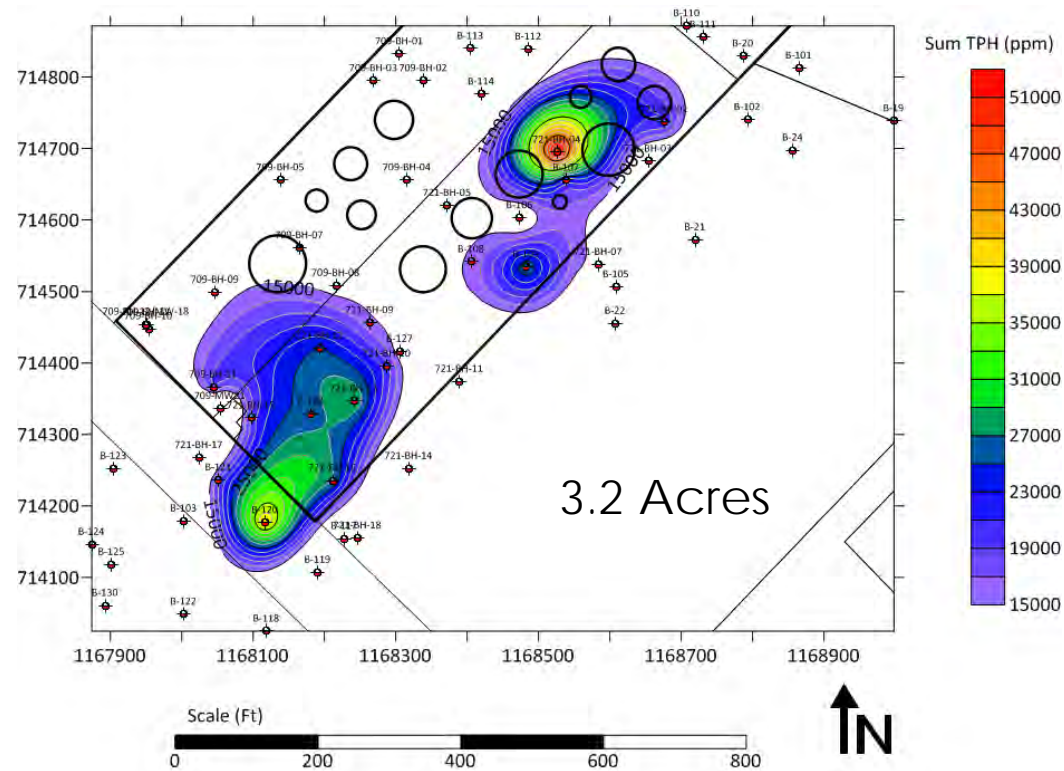
### Soil Sum TPH Footprint @ Target = 10,000 ppm



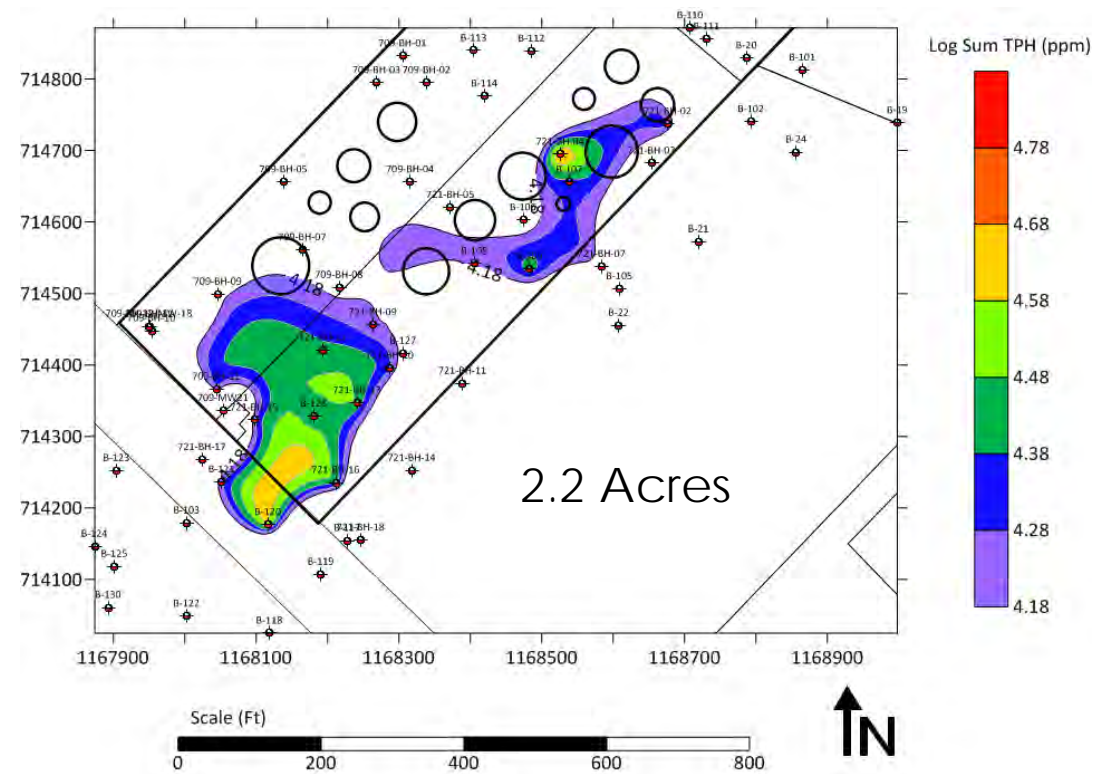
### Same Data and Same Target By Log Concentration Contours



Soil Sum TPH Footprint @ Target = 15,000 ppm

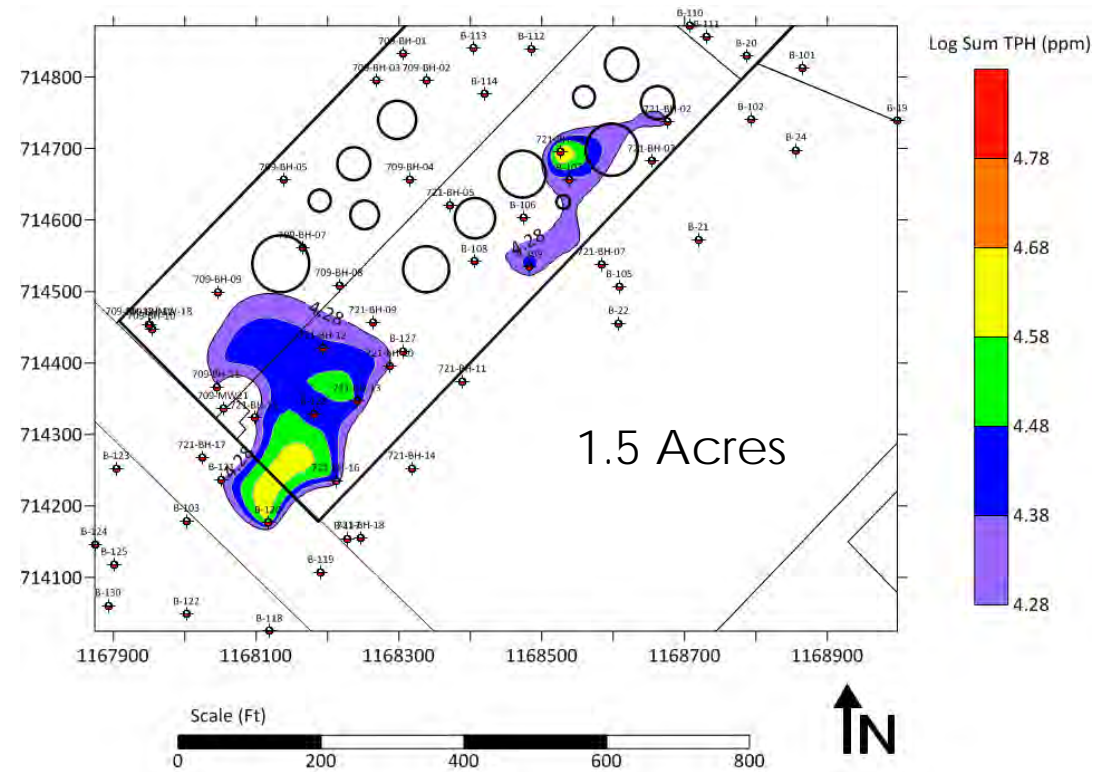
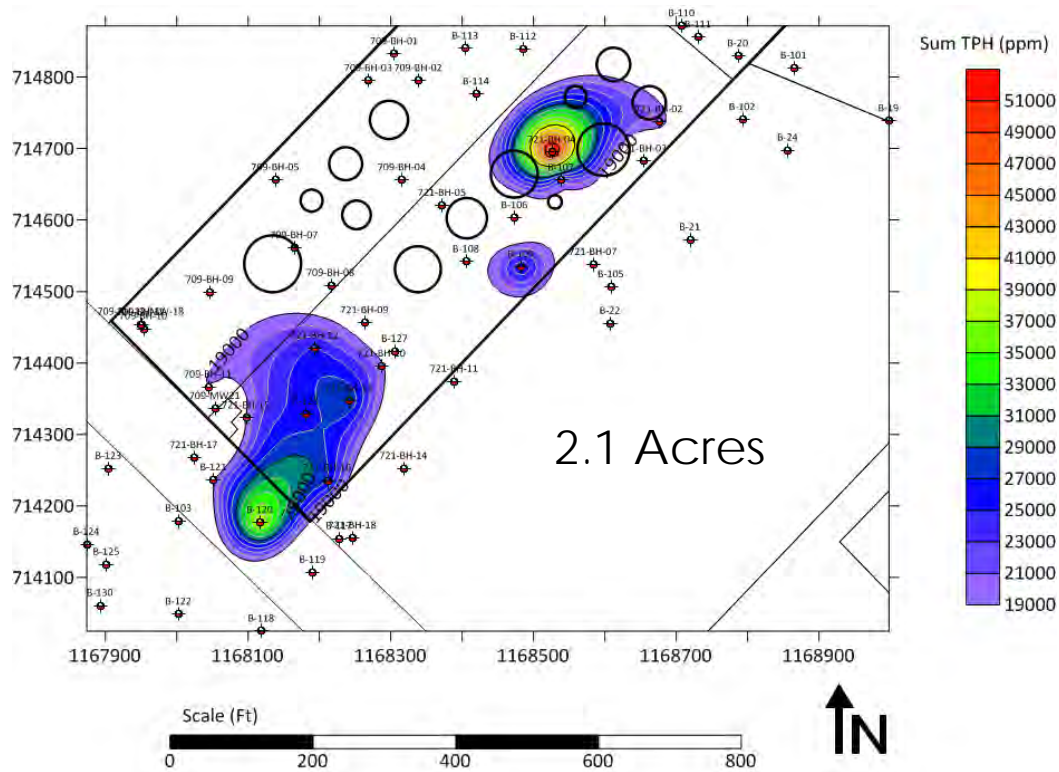


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By Log Concentration Contours



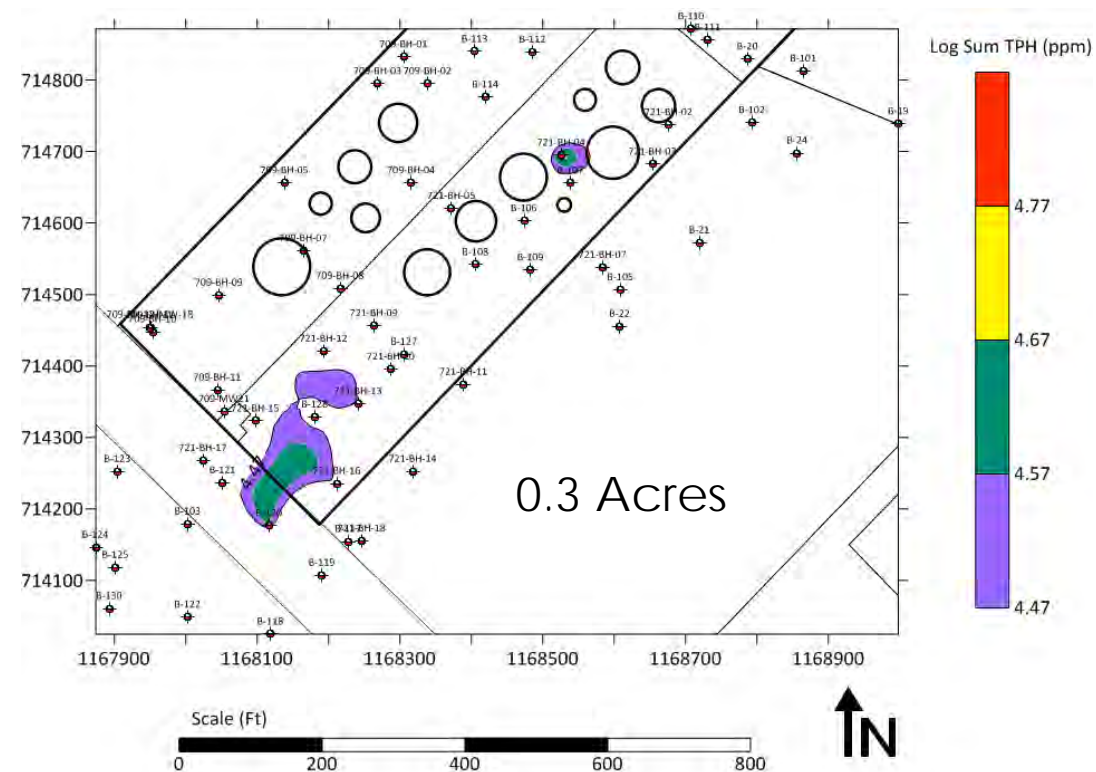
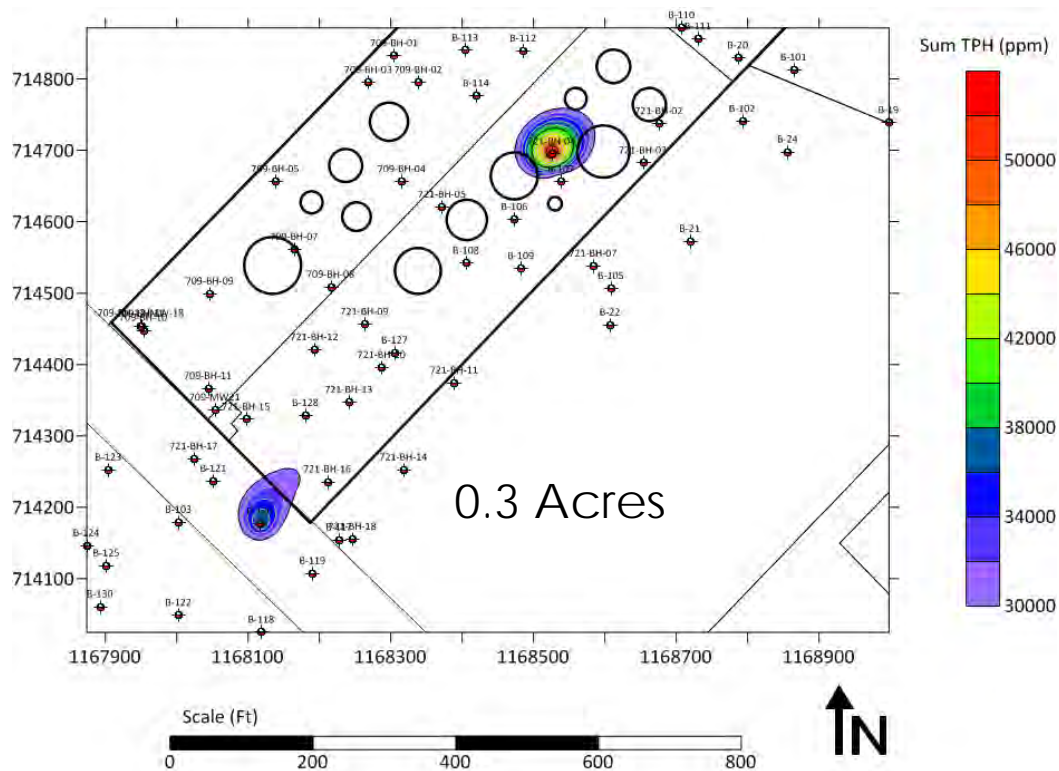
Soil Sum TPH Footprint @ Target = 19,000 ppm  
**HOT SPOT**

Same Data and Same Target  
 By Log Concentration Contours



Soil Sum TPH Footprint @ Target = 30,000 ppm

Same Data and Same Target  
By Log Concentration Contours



# Mass / Volume Results

## Regular Scale Concentration Contours

<b>Target Concentration</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Affected Soil Volume</b>	<b>Affected Soil Area</b>
(mg/kg)	(Lbs)	(CY)	(Acres)
2,000	735,679	20,369	8.4
5,000	709,991	17,695	7.3
10,000	636,274	13,971	5.8
15,000	441,820	7,780	3.2
19,000	324,937	5,041	2.1
30,000	69,912	782	0.3

# Mass / Volume Results (%)

## Regular Scale Concentration Contours

Target Concentration	Mass	Affected Soil Volume	Affected Soil Area
(mg/kg)	(%)	(%)	(%)
2,000	100%	100%	100%
5,000	97%	87%	87%
10,000	86%	69%	69%
15,000	60%	38%	38%
19,000	44%	25%	25%
30,000	10%	4%	4%



# Mass / Volume Results

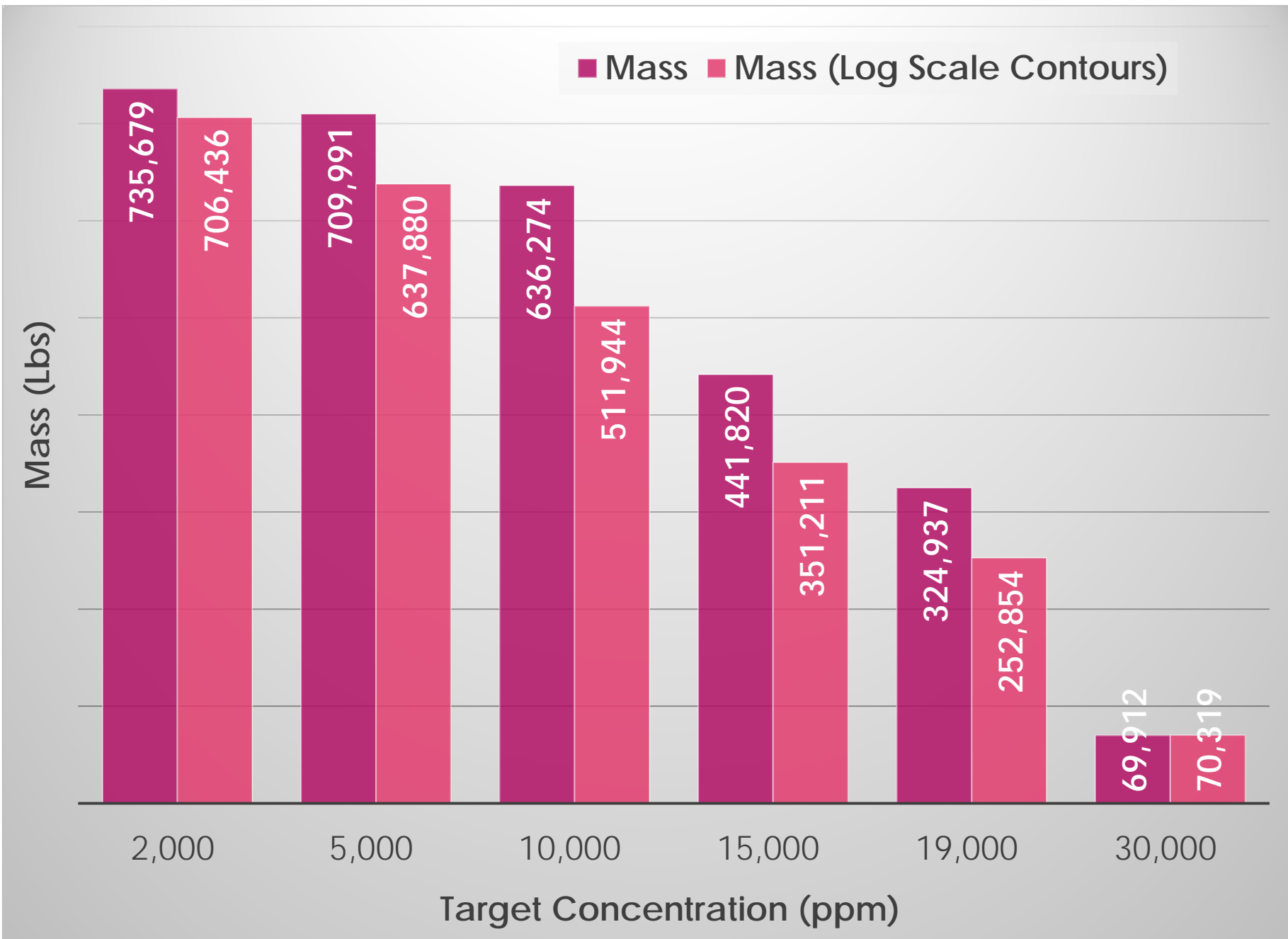
## Log Scale Concentration Contours

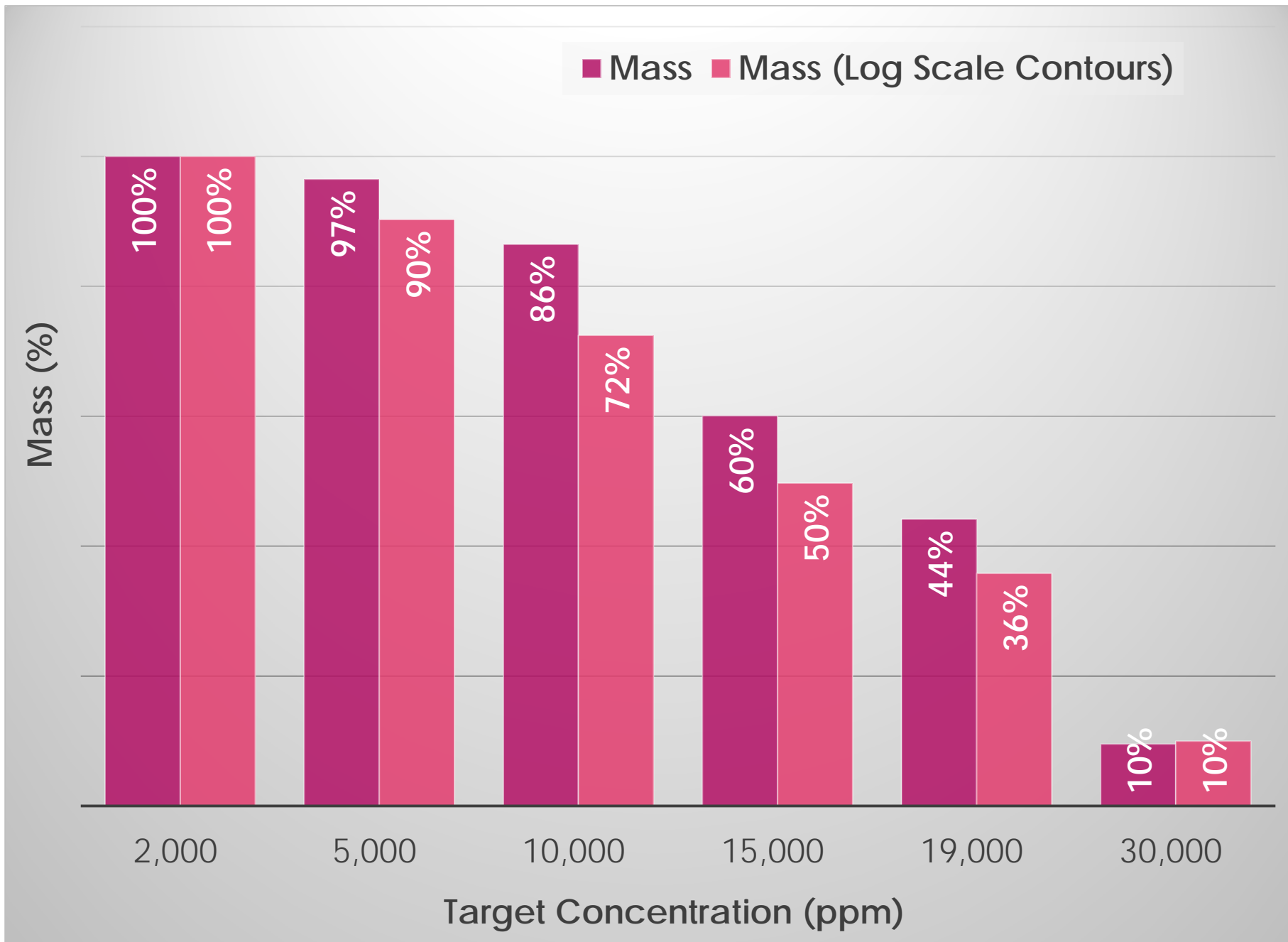
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(mg/kg)	(Lbs)	(CY)	(Acres)
2,000	706,436	20,369	8.4
5,000	637,880	17,695	7.3
10,000	511,944	13,971	5.8
15,000	351,211	7,780	3.2
19,000	252,854	5,041	2.1
30,000	70,319	782	0.3

# Mass / Volume Results (%)

## Log Scale Concentration Contours

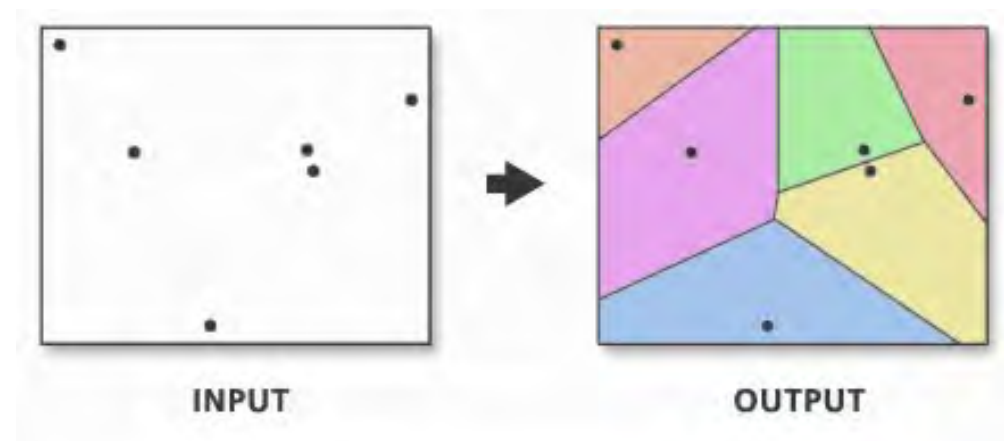
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(mg/kg)	(%)	(%)	(%)
2,000	100%	100%	100%
5,000	90%	82%	82%
10,000	72%	62%	62%
15,000	50%	37%	37%
19,000	36%	24%	24%
30,000	10%	5%	5%



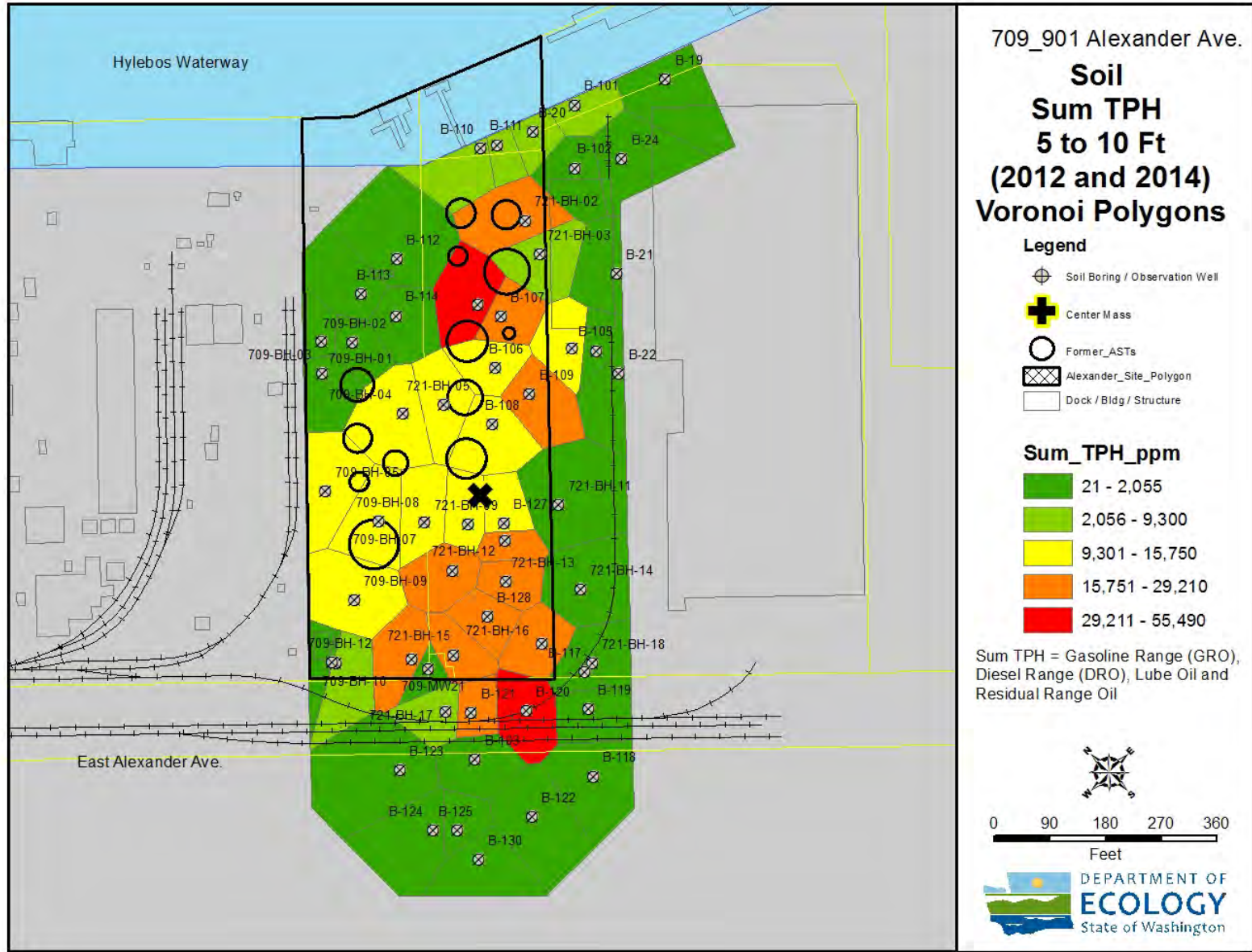


# TPH Mass Volume by Voronoi Polygons

- ▶ Voronoi Diagram (aka Thiessen polygons) can be used to create polygons from spatial data.
- ▶ The partitioning of a plane with points into convex polygons such that each polygon contains exactly one generating point and every point in a given polygon is closer to its generating point than to any other.



# Soil Sum TPH Voronoi Polygons

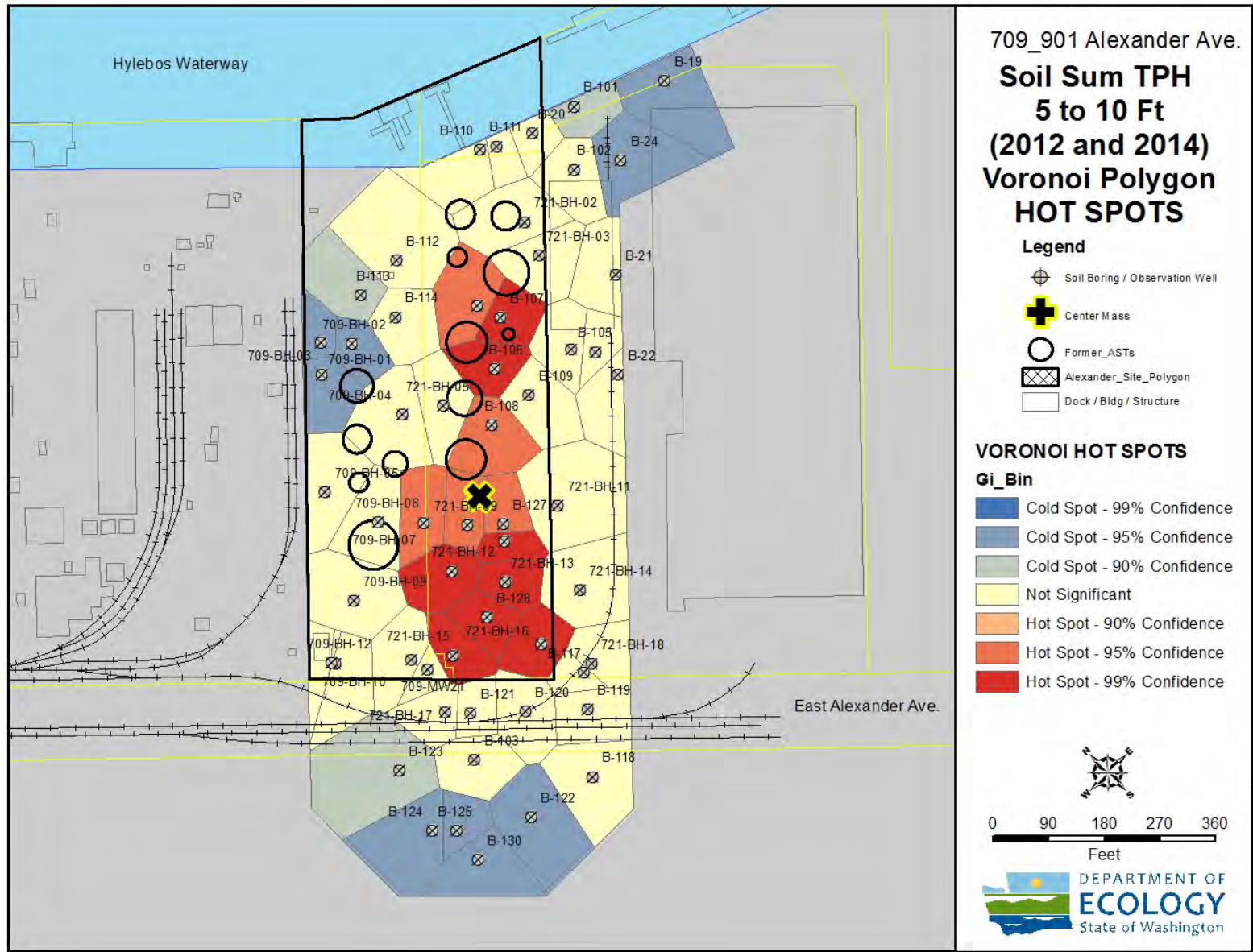


# Soil Sum TPH Mass, Volume and Area by Voronoi Polygons

*Total Mass	Volume	Area
(Lbs)	(CY)	(Acres)
845,418	35,311	14.6

\*This is the total mass above the data limits (TPH gasoline and diesel range detection limits of 3 – 30 ppm).

Soil Sum TPH  
Voronoi  
Polygon  
HOT SPOTS





# Soil Sum TPH HOT SPOT Mass, Volume and Area by Voronoi Polygons

Mass	Volume	Area
(Lbs)	(CY)	(Acres)
287,396	6,327	2.6

# Total Mass Comparison


Method	Mass
	(lbs)
Contouring	*735,679
Log Contouring	*706,436
Polygon	**845,418

\* Mass above target concentration = 2,000 ppm (Method A)

\*\* Mass above data limits (detection limit of 3 – 30 ppm for gasoline / diesel range)

# Hot Spot Mass Comparison

Method	Mass
	(lbs)
Contouring	324,937
Log Contouring	252,854
Polygon	287,396



# Alexander Avenue Petroleum Tank Farm--Benzene Mass, Volume, and Area

Goal: Use the Gi-Ord Hot Spot  
method to derive a target benzene  
concentration and resulting mass,  
volume, and area

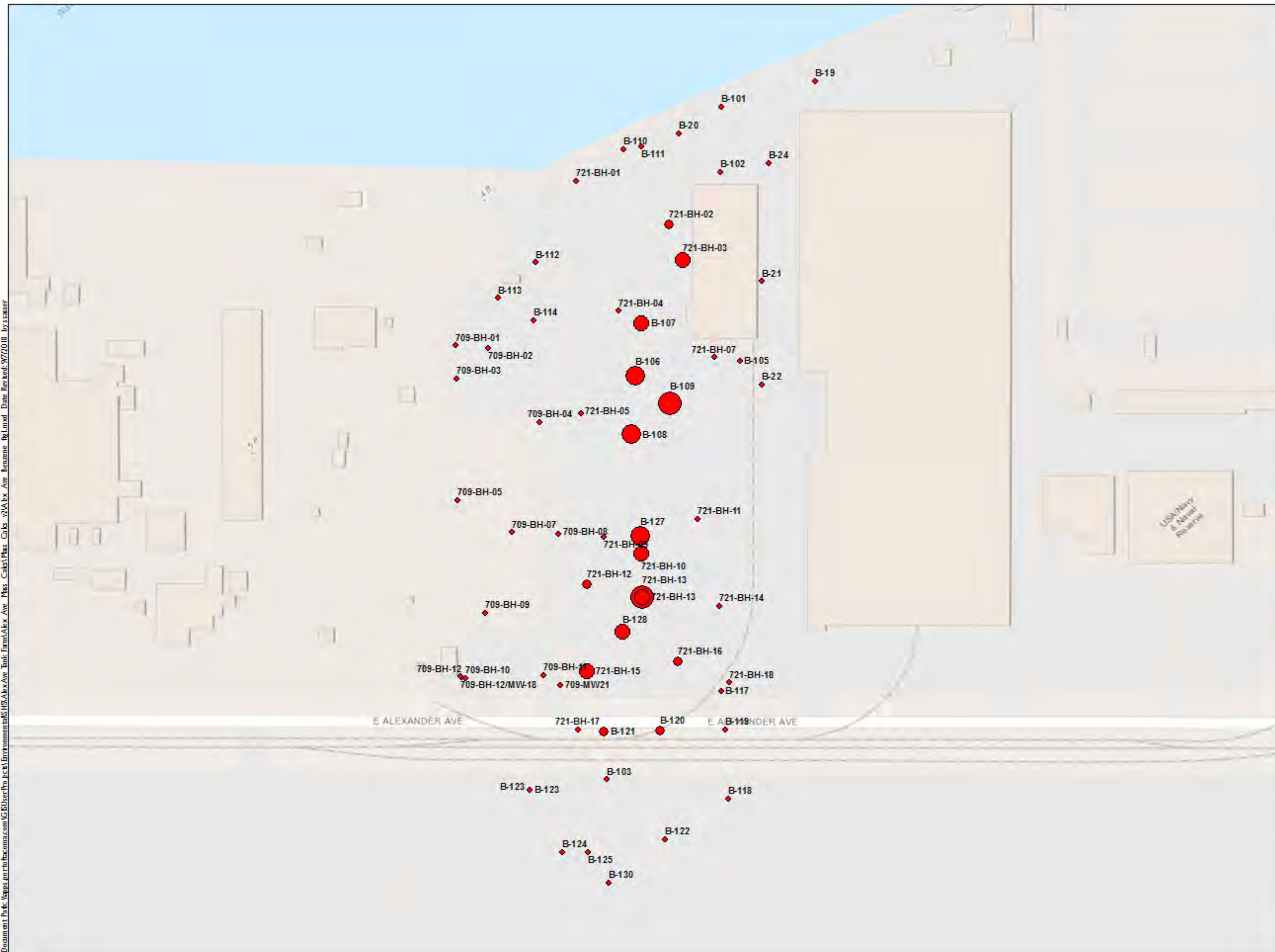


# Data



- Benzene soil data queried from the Aspect project database and the OCC/GHD database.
- Data filtered by: 1) date collected (2012 and 2014) and 2) depth (5 to 10 ft below ground surface) and 3) space (excluded PSE collected data south of bldg. 50). Result = 61 records
- Units converted to mg/kg
- Non-detects set to equal .5 of the reporting limit
- Used the highest value where duplicate values exist

# Alexander Avenue Soil Benzene 5 to 10 ft bgs (2012-2014)



Benzene (mg/kg)

- ◆ 0.000180 - 0.85
- 0.85 - 3.9
- 3.9 - 10.0
- 10.0 - 22.0
- 22.0 - 36.0



Data Source: Aspect Project database and the OCC/GHD database



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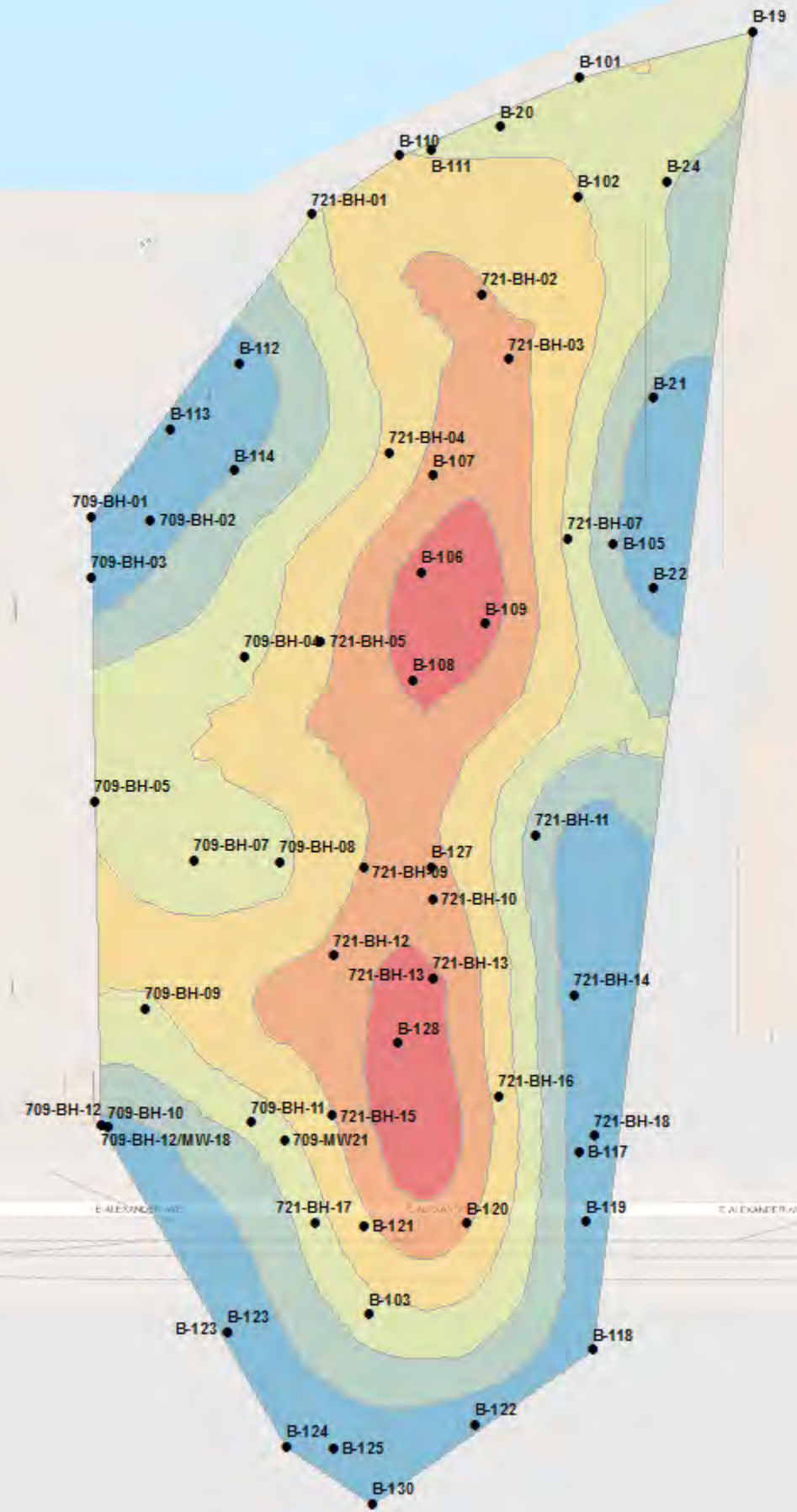
# Soil Benzene Mass

- Use concentrations (mg/kg): . 0.003 , 0.03 (Method A Unrestricted Land Use), 0.3, 3, and 19 (See slides 8-11 to see how the Hot Spot Analysis produced this number)
- Interpolate a kriged surface using Arcmap Geostatistical Analyst

## Calculate the total benzene mass:

- $\text{Mass} = \text{Soil Concentration} \times \text{UCF} \times \text{Soil Bulk Density} \times \text{Soil Volume}$
- UCF = unit conversion (1 kg =  $1 \times 10^6$  mg)
- Soil bulk density = 42.5 (kg/ft<sup>3</sup>)
- Soil Volume = (ft<sup>3</sup>) = area above target (ft<sup>2</sup>)\*thickness (5-ft)\*soil porosity (0.3)
- Calculate mass, volume and area for each target concentration.

# Alexander Avenue Soil Benzene 5 to 10 ft bgs (2012-2014)



- Sample Locations
- Benzene Minimum (mg/kg)**
- 0.00018
  - 0.003
  - 0.03
  - 0.3
  - 3
  - 19



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# Soil Benzene Mass/Volume Results

Benzene Target Concentration (mg/kg)	Benzene Mass (Kilograms)	Disposal Mass (1.5 x Volume)(tons)*	Total Disposal Volume (ft <sup>3</sup> )*	Impacted Area (Acres)	Mean Benzene Concentration (mg/kg)
>.003	2,377	2,132,550	1,421,700	9.3	3.9
>.03**	2,376	1,742,475	1,161,650	7.6	4.8
>.3	2,353	1,126,125	750,750	4.9	7.4
>3	2,164	532,875	355,250	2.3	14.3
>19***	1,304	136,500	91,000	0.6	33.7

## Other Notes/Information:

Total Benzene Mass (kg)	2,377
Total Volume (ft <sup>3</sup> )	1,705,900
Working Outline (acres)	11.2

\* removed .3 pore space from all volume calcs

\*\* .03 mg/kg is Method A Unrestricted Level

\*\*\* 19.00 mg/kg is the average surface value of the GI\* hot spot method

Notes: Ordinary Kriging, max values, log transformed, range = 250', anisotropic = no, non-detects = 1/2 value, cell size 10'X10', cell thickness = 5'

$$mass = kriged\ concentration \frac{\mu g}{kg} \cdot \frac{1kg}{1 \times 10^9 \mu g} \cdot 42.5 \frac{kg}{ft^3} \cdot volume$$

# Soil Benzene Mass / Volume Results

Target Concentration	Benzene Mass	Affected Soil Volume and Area
(mg/kg)	(%)	(%)
.003	100%	83%
.03	99%	68%
.3	99%	44%
3	91%	21%
19	55%	5%

# Getis-Ord Hot Spot Analysis

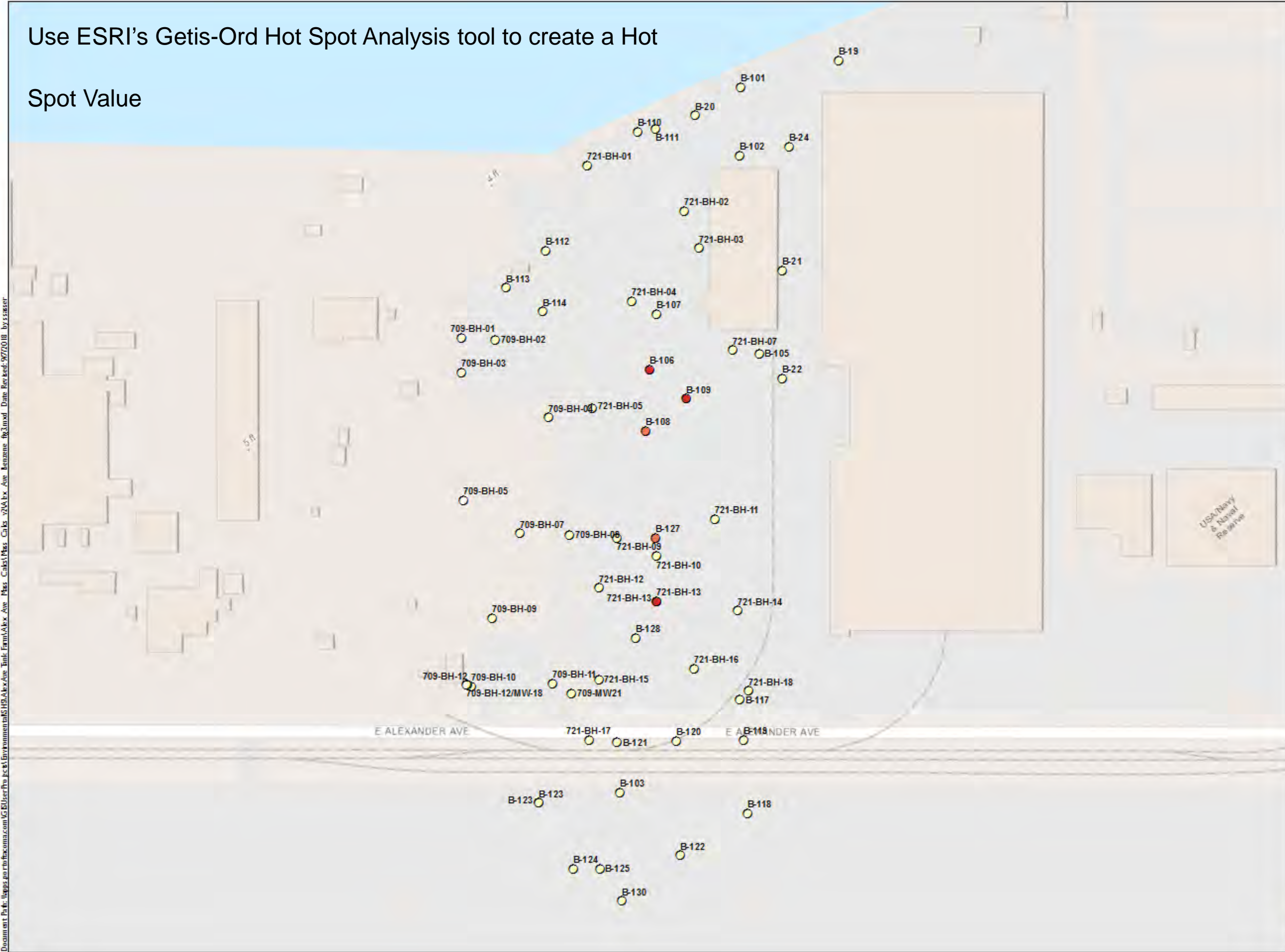


1. Run the Hot Spot tool in Arcmap
2. Create a map displaying the results of the analysis
3. Create a minimum bounding polygon encompassing all of the hot spots
4. Extract the kriged benzene cell values within the minimum bounding polygon
5. Create a table with the average benzene concentrations for the locations identified as hot spots and the average of all interpolated cells within the minimum bounding polygon

Use ESRI's Getis-Ord Hot Spot Analysis tool to create a Hot Spot Value

# Alexander Avenue Soil Benzene Getis-Ord Hot Spot Analysis 5 to 10 ft bgs (2012-2014)

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## Soil Benzene Hot Spot Analysis

- Gi\_Bin
- Cold Spot - 99% Confidence
  - Cold Spot - 95% Confidence
  - Cold Spot - 90% Confidence
  - Not Significant
  - Hot Spot - 90% Confidence
  - Hot Spot - 95% Confidence
  - Hot Spot - 99% Confidence



Data Source: Aspect Project database and the OCC/GHD database



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# Soil Benzene Mass/Volume Results

## Alexander Avenue Soil Benzene Getis-Ord Hot Spot Analysis 5 to 10 ft bgs (2012-2014)

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### Soil Benzene Hot Spot Analysis

Gi\_Bin

- Cold Spot - 99% Confidence
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### Hot Spot Minimum Bounding Box



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# Soil Benzene Hot Spot Results



Location	Benzene (mg/kg)	Qualifier	
B-106	22		
B-109	36		
B-108	18		
B-127	18		
721-BH-13	30	J	
Average	24.8		
Grid Volume Results and Target (Hot Spot) Concentration			
Grid Volume (ft <sup>3</sup> )	Grid Area (Acres)	Average Benzene Gridded Hotspot (mg/kg)	
91,350	0.6	19	

## **Shoreline Preliminary Cleanup Level and Remediation Level Calculations**

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## APPENDIX D

### SHORELINE PRELIMINARY CLEANUP LEVEL AND REMEDIATION LEVEL CALCULATIONS SUMMARY

#### Preliminary Cleanup Levels—Angled Shoreline Wells

##### *Application of Preliminary Cleanup Levels at Angled Shoreline Wells and Remediation Levels*

The groundwater conditional point of compliance (CPOC) for the Site, based on protection of surface water, is the point or points where groundwater flows to surface water (i.e., the groundwater-surface water interface at the shoreline). Because it is difficult to measure compliance at the groundwater-surface water interface at the Site (most of the slope is underwater and the shoreline is heavily armored with rock), Ecology is approving the use of upland monitoring wells (angled shoreline wells) along the Hylebos and Blair Waterways<sup>1</sup>, where groundwater concentrations will be measured to establish compliance with the groundwater proposed cleanup levels (pCULs) at the CPOC, taking into consideration estimated natural attenuation rates between the wells and point where groundwater flows into the surface water, in accordance with WAC 173-340-720(8). Compliance with pCULs at the CPOC is proposed to be measured at proposed angled shoreline wells; and the concentrations that will be used to demonstrate compliance at the CPOC will be determined based on estimated nearshore attenuation in the groundwater-surface water transition zone.

Based on existing data, *preliminary* groundwater concentrations at the proposed angled shoreline wells estimated to demonstrate compliance with pCULs at the CPOC have been calculated and are presented below for benzene and total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) in the diesel and oil ranges (TPH-D/O) without silica gel cleanup (SGC). These groundwater compliance concentrations may be refined later (the engineering design report will define how to calculate “final” groundwater compliance concentrations at the angled wells). The groundwater compliance concentrations for TPH-D/O with SGC and for gasoline-range TPH (TPH-G) at the angled wells were not calculated because cleanup criteria have already been met (there were no detections above cleanup levels [CULs] at the shoreline wells and seeps during the remedial investigation [RI]).

##### **Method**

Groundwater concentrations at the angled shoreline wells to demonstrate compliance with pCULs at the CPOC were calculated using concentration versus distance analysis (Equation F.5).<sup>2</sup> Equation F.5 can be

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<sup>1</sup> The upland wells used to demonstrate compliance along the Blair Waterway may be vertical or angled wells installed along the shoreline or at locations closer to the source, as determined based on the results of the pre-remedial investigation. For simplicity, the upland wells proposed to be used to demonstrate compliance at the CPOC along the Blair Waterway are referred to herein as ‘angled wells’ or ‘angled shoreline wells’.

<sup>2</sup> Ecology. 2005. Guidance on Remediation of Petroleum-Contaminated Ground Water by Natural Attenuation. Publication No. 05-09-091 (Version 1.0). Washington State Department of Ecology. July.



rearranged to solve for the  $C_{start}$  concentration in the upgradient source area well necessary for the concentration at the corresponding downgradient shoreline well to meet the screening criteria.

$$C_{start} = \frac{C_{CUL}}{e^{\frac{x \cdot k}{v_c}}}$$

Where  $C_{start}$  is the concentration at the upgradient monitoring well;  $C_{CUL}$  is the regulatory cleanup level;  $x$  is the travel distance between the two sampling locations; and  $k/v_c$  is the slope of the natural log transformed concentration versus distance trend line ( $k$  = bulk attenuation rate, and  $v_c$  is contaminant velocity). Concentration values are rounded to two significant figures.

### **Data**

- Concentration data (y): Water quality data from the August 2016 sampling event at well/seep pair MW-104-15 and SP-103 was used in this analysis.<sup>3</sup>
- Distance data (x): The distance between shoreline well MW-104-15 and seep SP-103 is approximately 48 feet (ft). The distance between the angled well (to be installed during design) and seep SP-103 is estimated at 15 ft.

### **Shoreline Preliminary Groundwater Compliance Concentrations Results**

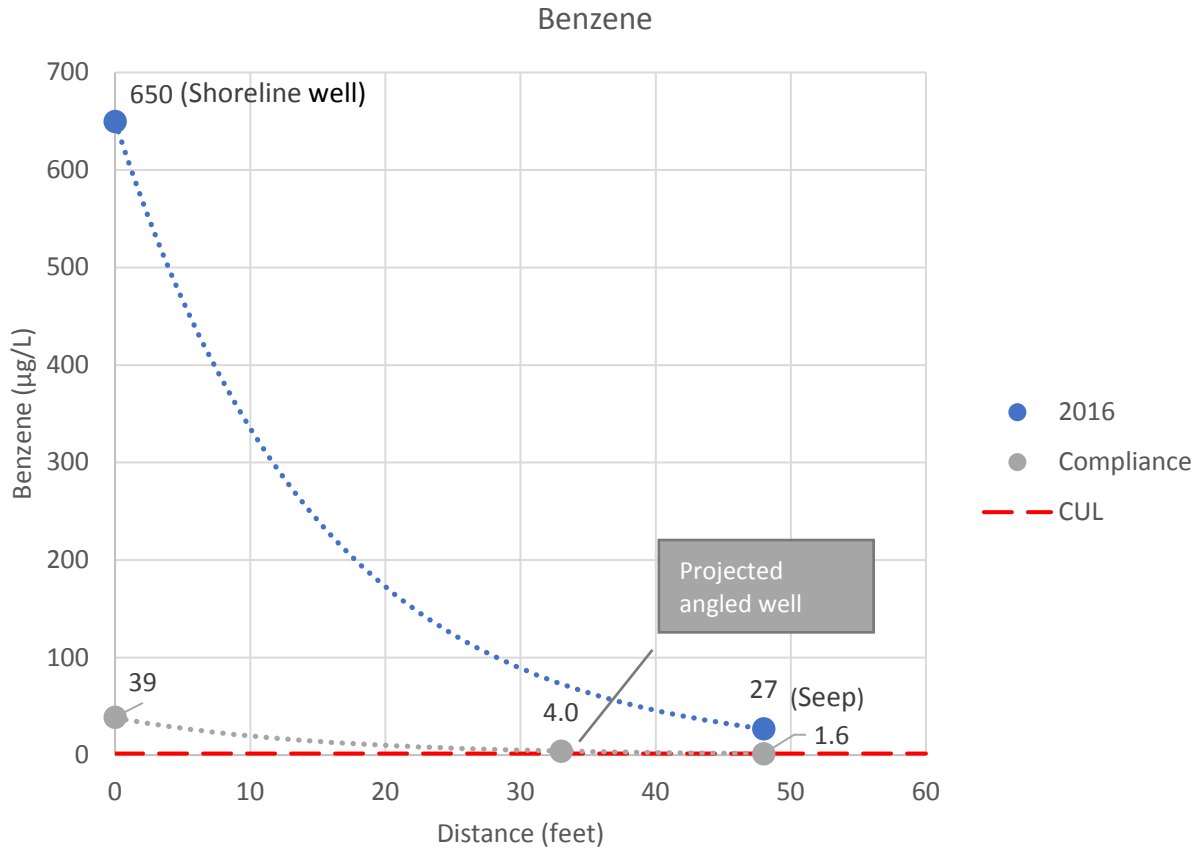
When groundwater concentrations demonstrating compliance with pCULs at the CPOC are met at the angled wells, Model Toxics Control Act Method B groundwater CULs, based on protection of surface water, will be met at the point where groundwater flows into surface water (CPOC):

#### **Shoreline Groundwater Compliance Concentrations (Hylebos Waterway)**

- Benzene = 4.0 micrograms per liter (µg/L; for groundwater protection of surface water CUL of 1.6 µg/L)
- TPH-D/O without SGC = 680 µg/L (for groundwater protection of surface water CUL of 500 µg/L)
- TPH-G = 2,200 µg/L (for groundwater protection of surface water CUL of 800 µg/L)
  - Note: TPH-G shoreline pCULs already being met at shoreline wells upgradient of proposed angled wells, and Method B CULs currently being met at shoreline seeps; TPH-G remediation levels (RLs) not likely to be needed for the Hylebos Hot Spot.

Note also that there is insufficient data available to perform the same analysis for the Blair Waterway shoreline. The Blair Waterway groundwater concentrations in angled shoreline wells (or upland vertical wells) demonstrating compliance at the CPOC will be developed during the engineering design phase for the final remedial action.

<sup>3</sup> There have been three sampling events that captured shoreline well and seep concentration at the same time at well/seep pairs MW-104-15 and SP-103, and MW-95-15 and SP-102. Samples were collected in May 2015, May 2016, and August 2016. A third well/seep pair, MW-110-15 and SP-101, has one paired sampling event, collected in May 2015. August 2016 data from MW-104-15 and SP-103 were used for the analysis at the request of the Washington State Department of Ecology because concentrations are highest at this well/seep pair.



Benzene						
Location	Sample Date	Distance (ft)	Matrix	Value (µg/L)	In	Qualifier
MW-104-15	02-Aug-16	0	Groundwater	650	6.48	
SP-103	01-Aug-16	48	Seep	27	3.30	

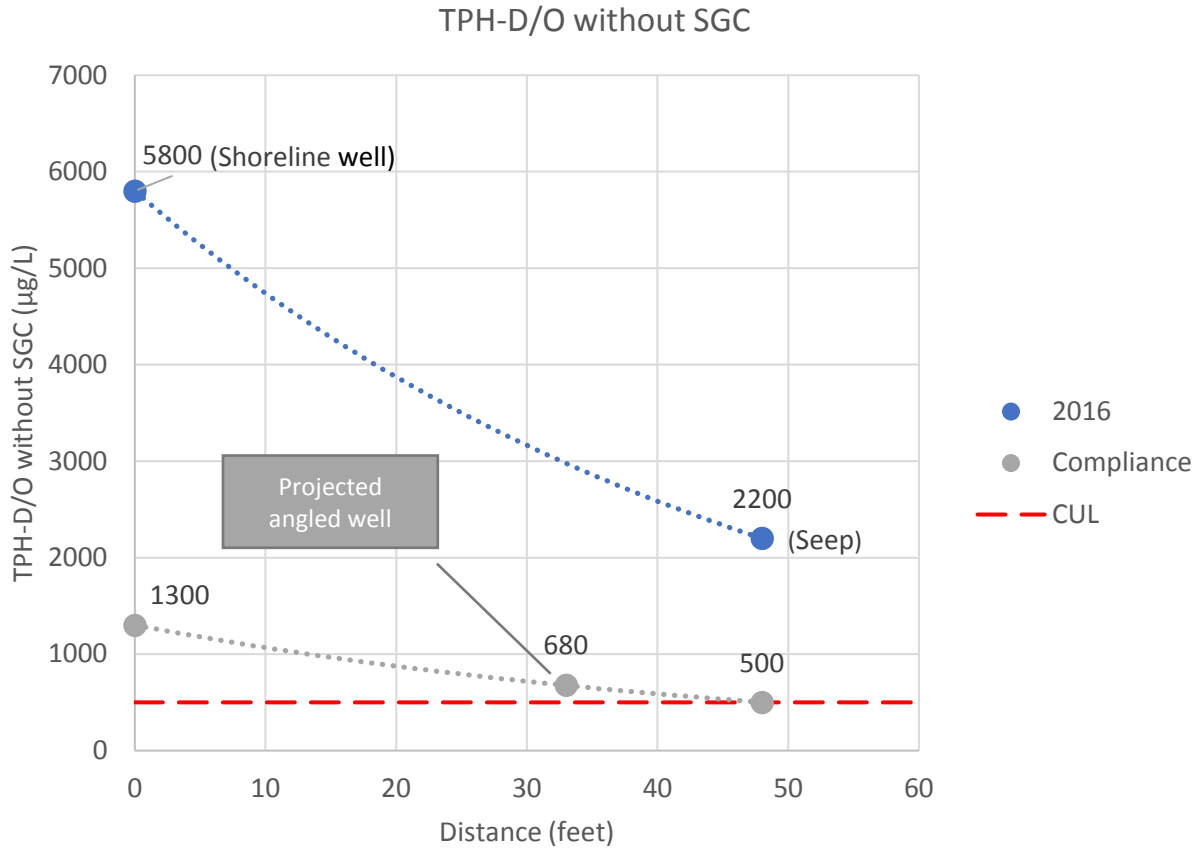
Slope (k/vc) = -0.0663

Groundwater CUL = 1.6 µg/L

x (distance between 15-ft angled shoreline well and & seep SP-103) = 15 feet

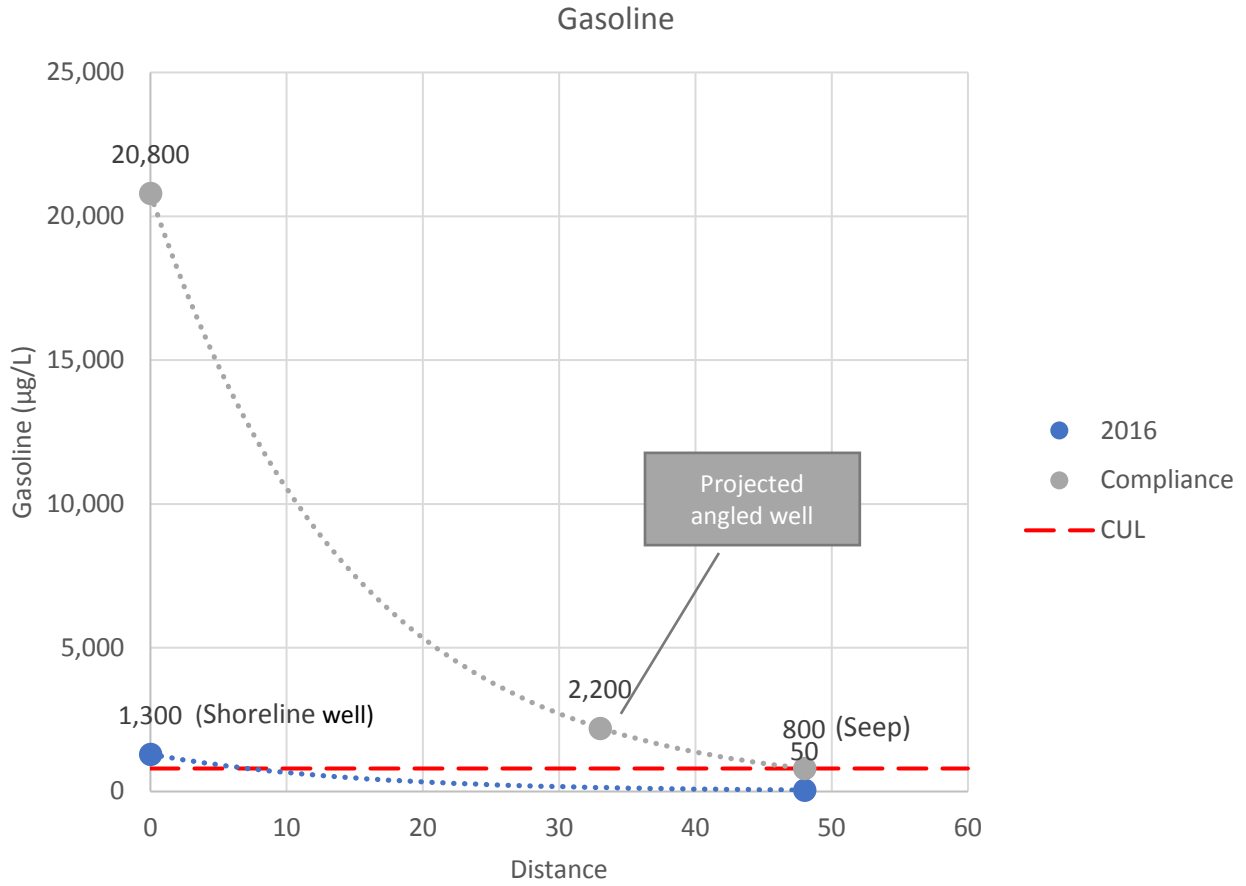
Concentration at 15-ft angled well demonstrating compliance at CPOC = 4.0 µg/L

Attenuation factor = 2.5



DRO+ORO without SGC						
Location	Sample Date	Distance (ft)	Matrix	Value (µg/L)	In	Qualifier
MW-104-15	02-Aug-16	0	Groundwater	5,800	8.67	
SP-103	01-Aug-16	48	Seep	2,200	7.70	

Slope (k/vc) =	-0.0202	
Groundwater CUL =	500	µg/L
x (distance between 15-ft angled shoreline well and & seep SP-103) =	15	feet
Remediation Level at MW-104-15=	1,300	µg/L
<b>Concentration at 15-ft angled well demonstrating compliance at CPOC =</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>µg/L</b>
Attenuation factor =	1.4	



GRO						
Location	Sample Date	Distance (ft)	Matrix	Value (µg/L)	In	Qualifier
MW-104-15	02-Aug-16	0	Groundwater	1,300	7.17	
SP-103	01-Aug-16	48	Seep	50	3.91	U (1/2 DL)

	Slope (k/vc) =	-0.0679
	Groundwater CUL =	800 µg/L
x (distance between 15-ft angled shoreline well and & seep SP-103) =		15 feet
Concentration at 15-ft angled well demonstrating compliance at CPOC =		2,200 µg/L
	Attenuation factor =	2.8

## Remediation Levels—Hot Spots

### *Application of Remediation Levels*

RLs will serve as preliminary criteria for transitioning between treatment technologies at the Hylebos Hot Spot and the Blair Hot Spot. The RL is the value at which the hot spot concentrations predict compliance with cleanup standards (i.e., when groundwater CULs based on protection of surface water are met at the point where groundwater discharges to surface water), based on concentration versus distance analysis. RLs are presented below for benzene and TPH-D/O without SGC. RLs for TPH-D/O with SGC and for TPH-G were not calculated because cleanup criteria have already been met (there were no detections above CULs at the CPOC during the RI).

### *Method and Data Set*

RLs were calculated using concentration versus distance analysis (Equation F.5) in a similar manner to the calculation of shoreline pCULs. See the *Preliminary Cleanup Levels – Angled Shoreline Wells* section above for details.<sup>4</sup>

### *Data*

- Concentration data (y): Water quality data from the August 2016 sampling event were used to model the attenuation in concentration of TPH-D/O and benzene that occurs between the Hylebos Hot Spot and the CPOC.
- Distance data (x): The distances between wells was measured along a straight transect through the center of the groundwater plume.

### *Hot Spot Remediation Level Summary*

Hot spot RLs will be used to transition between treatment technologies.

#### **Hylebos Hot Spot**

- Benzene = 86 µg/L (for groundwater protection of surface water CUL of 1.6 µg/L)
- TPH-D/O without SGC = 2,600 µg/L (for groundwater protection of surface water CUL of 500 µg/L)
- TPH-G = 85,000 µg/L (for groundwater protection of surface water CUL of 800 µg/L)
  - Note: TPH-G RL already being met at Hylebos Hot Spot, and CULs currently being met at shoreline seeps; TPH-G RLs not likely to be needed for Hylebos Hot Spot.

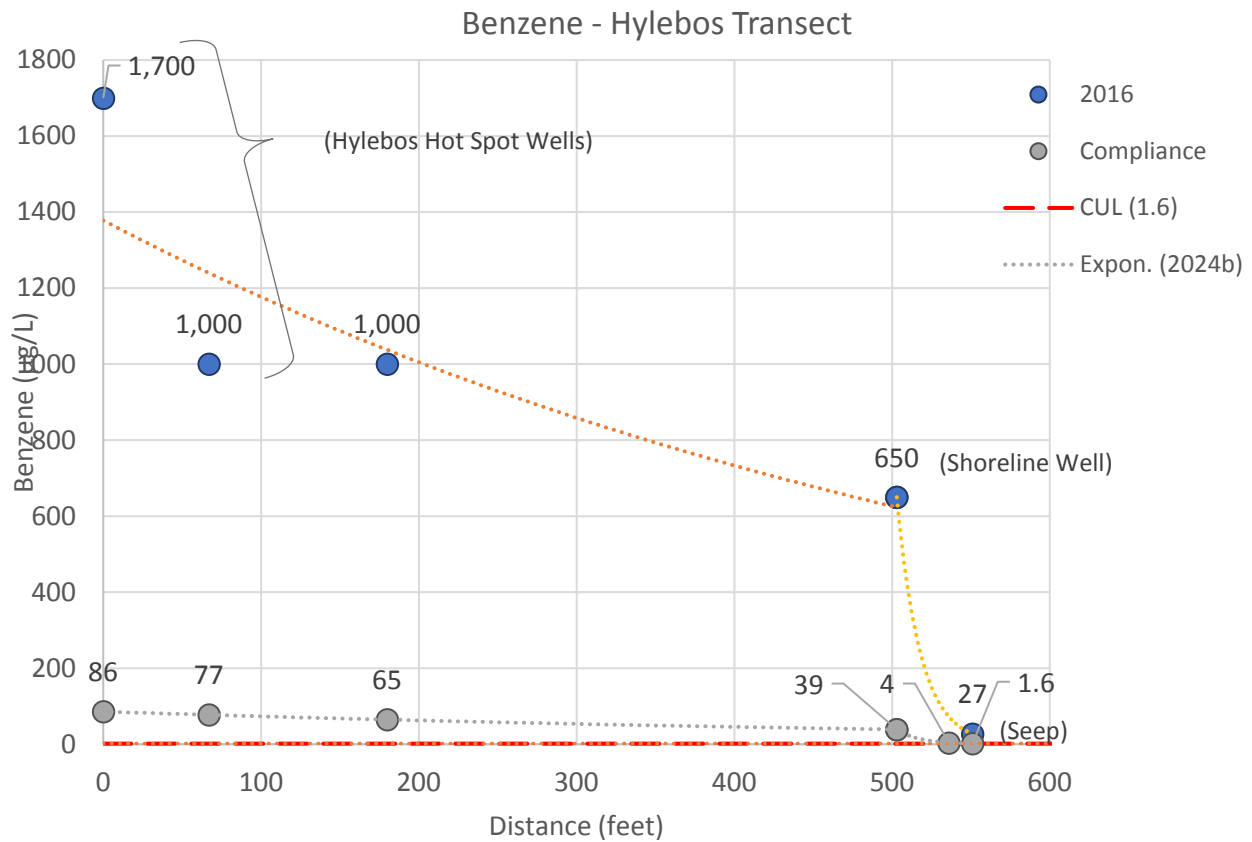
#### **Blair Hot Spot**

- Benzene = 2,600 µg/L (for groundwater protection of surface water CUL of 1.6 µg/L)

<sup>4</sup> Ecology. 2005. Guidance on Remediation of Petroleum-Contaminated Ground Water by Natural Attenuation. Publication No. 05-09-091 (Version 1.0). Washington State Department of Ecology. July.

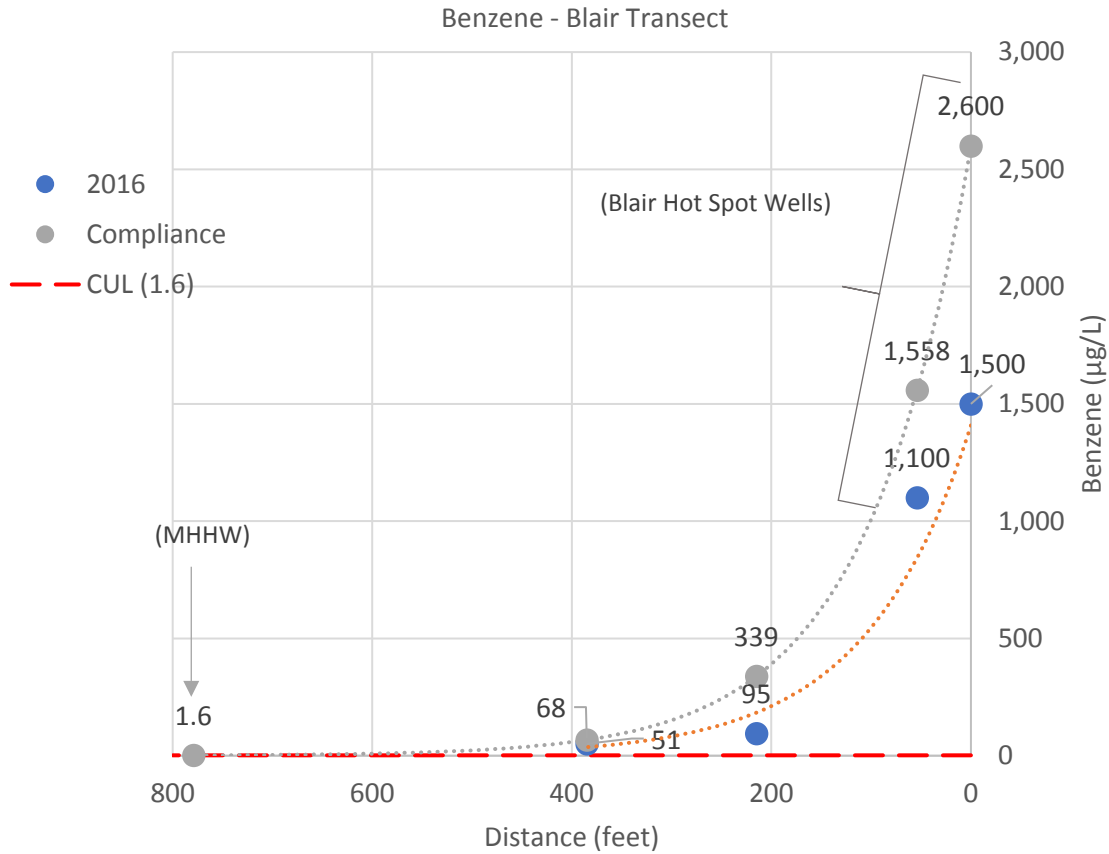
- TPH-D/O without SGC = 7,300 µg/L (for groundwater protection of surface water CUL of 500 µg/L)
- TPH-G = 4,600 µg/L (for groundwater protection of surface water CUL of 800 µg/L)—currently meeting CUL
  - Note: Data not available to confirm whether CULs are currently being met at the Blair Waterway and whether a TPH-G RL will be needed for the Blair Hot Spot.

Benzene concentrations are already below the Blair Hot Spot RL in the Blair Hot Spot.



Benzene						
Location	Sample Date	Distance(ft)	Matrix	Value (µg/L)	In	Qualifier
MW-109-15	02-Aug-16	0	Groundwater	1,700	7.44	
721-MW6-15	02-Aug-16	67	Groundwater	1,000	6.91	
721-MW11-15	01-Aug-16	180	Groundwater	1,000	6.91	
MW-104-15	02-Aug-16	503	Groundwater	650	6.48	

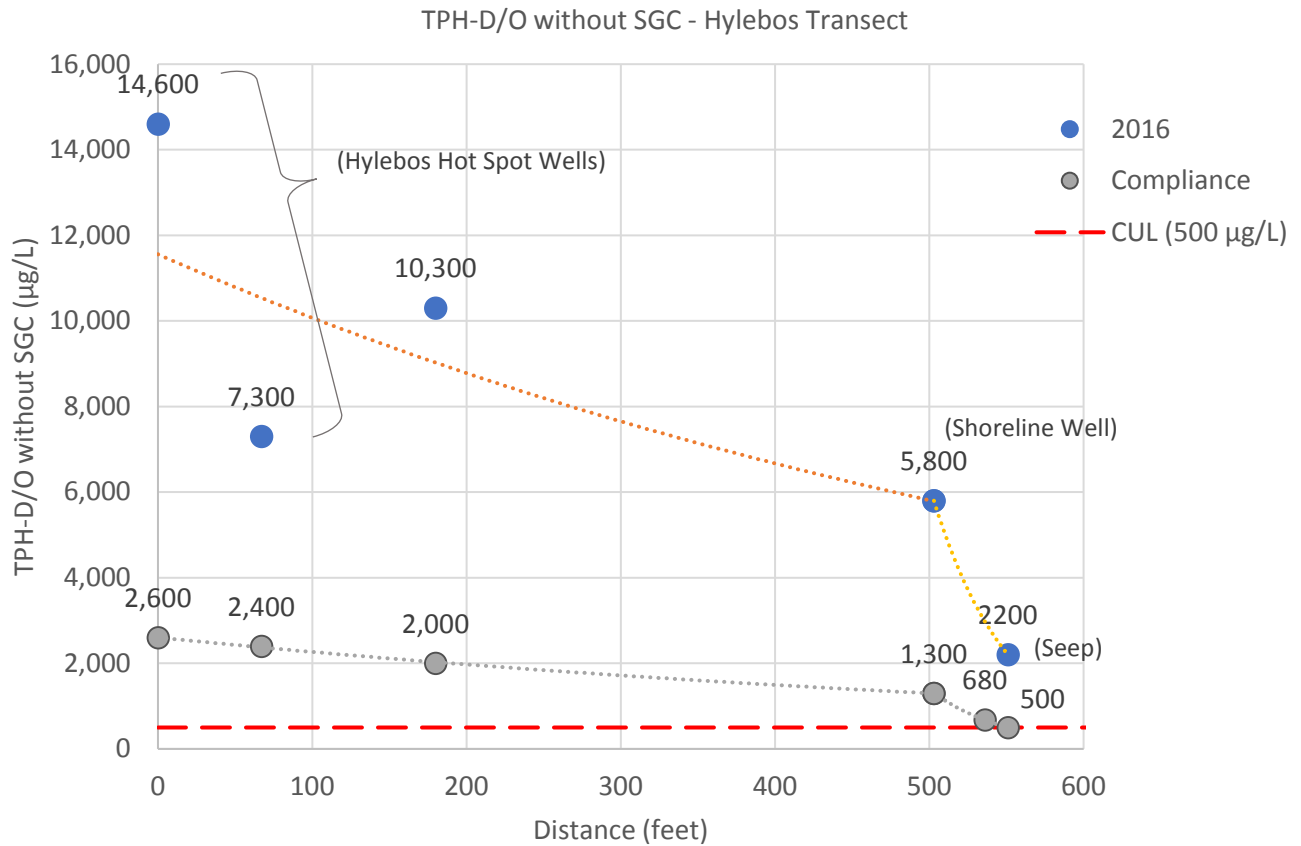
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Slope (k/vc)} &= -0.0016 \\ \text{x (distance between MW-109-15 and MW-104-15)} &= 503 \text{ feet} \\ \text{Remediation Level at Hylebos Hot Spot} &= 86 \text{ µg/L} \end{aligned}$$



Blair Hot Spot

Benzene						
Location	Sample Date	Distance(ft)	Matrix	Value (µg/L)	In	Qualifier
721-MW15-15	01-Aug-16	0	Groundwater	1,500	7.31	
721-MW2	01-Aug-16	54	Groundwater	1,100	7.00	
HC-N11-6	01-Aug-16	215	Groundwater	95	4.55	
MW-130-15	01-Aug-16	385	Groundwater	51	3.93	
MHHW		779				

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Slope (k/vc)} &= -0.0095 \\ \text{x (distance between 721-MW-15-15 and the Blair Waterway)} &= 779 \text{ feet} \\ \text{Remediation Level at Blair Hot Spot} &= 2,600 \text{ µg/L} \end{aligned}$$



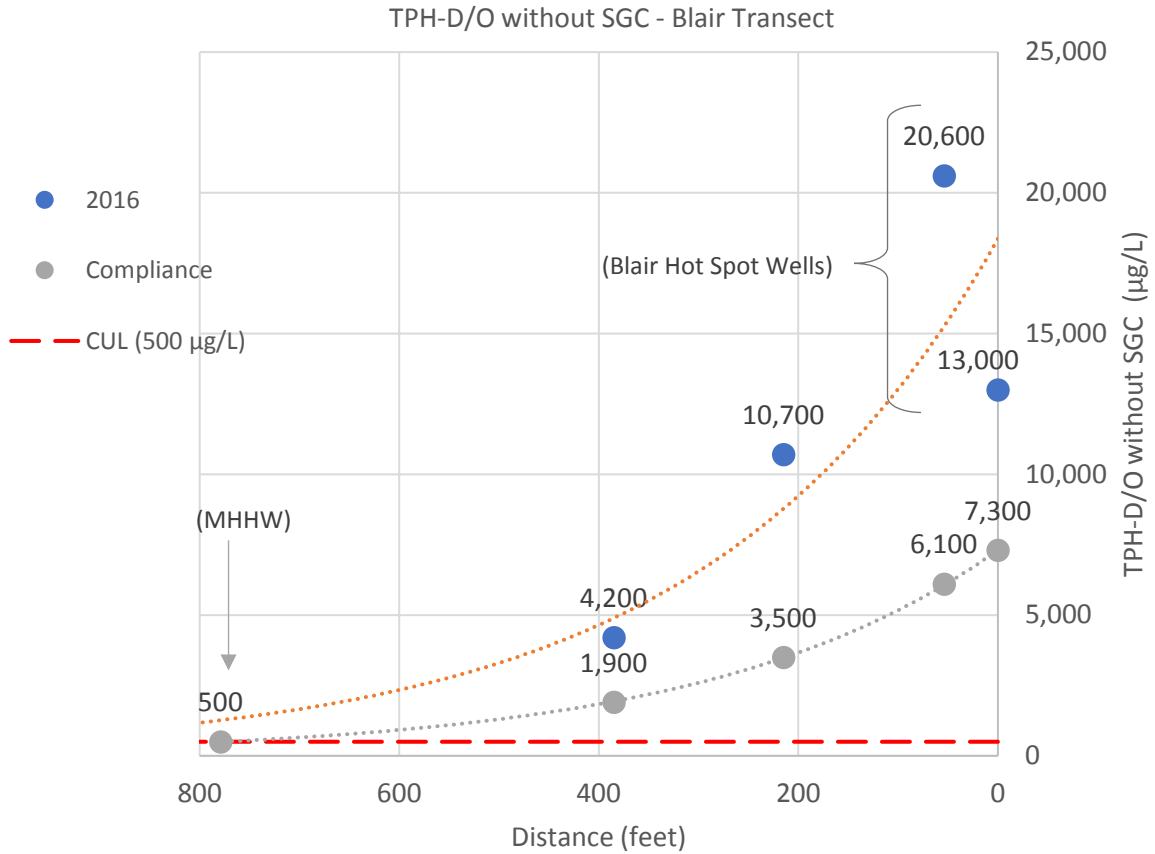
DRO+ORO without SGC						
Location	Sample Date	Distance(ft)	Matrix	Value (µg/L)	In	Qualifier
MW-109-15	02-Aug-16	0	Groundwater	14,600	9.59	
721-MW6-15	02-Aug-16	67	Groundwater	7,300	8.90	
721-MW11-15	01-Aug-16	180	Groundwater	10,300	9.24	
MW-104-15	02-Aug-16	503	Groundwater	5,800	8.67	

$$\text{Slope (k/vc)} = -0.0014$$

$$x \text{ (distance between MW-109-15 and MW-104-15)} = 503 \text{ feet}$$

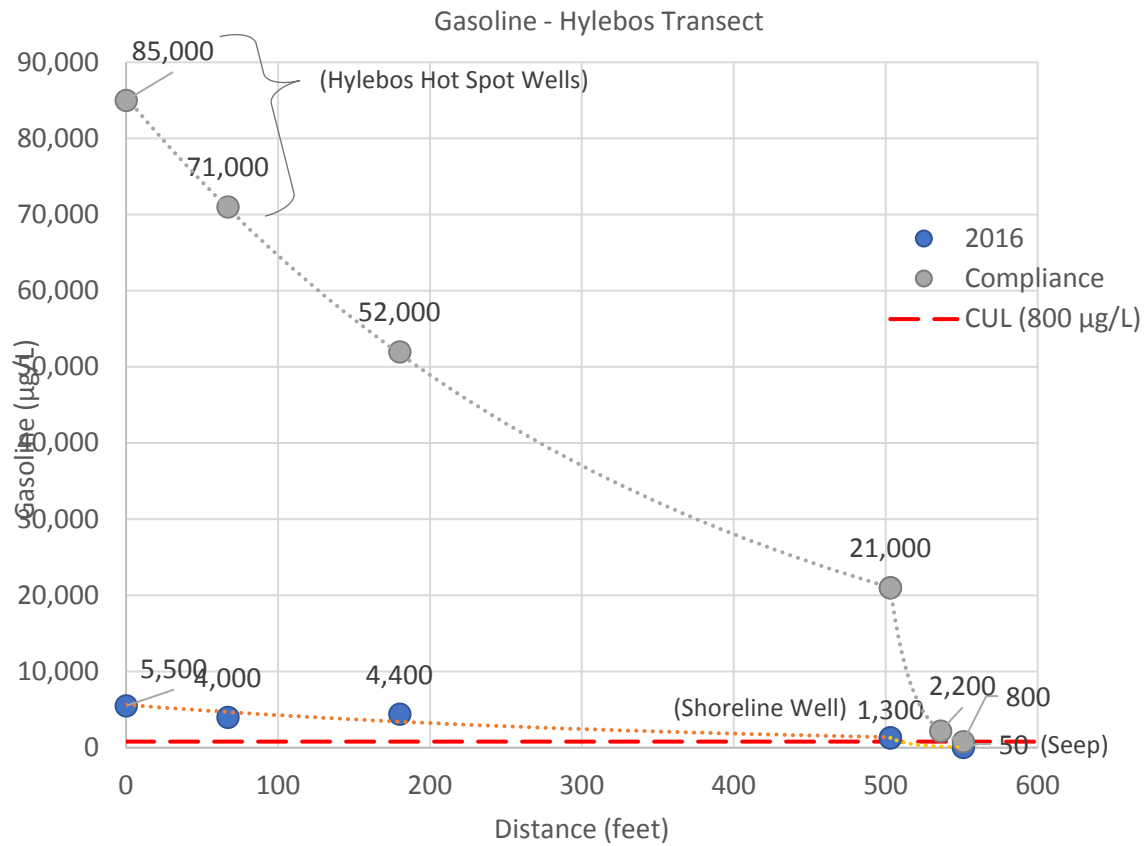
Remediation Level at Hylebos Hot Spot =	2,600	µg/L
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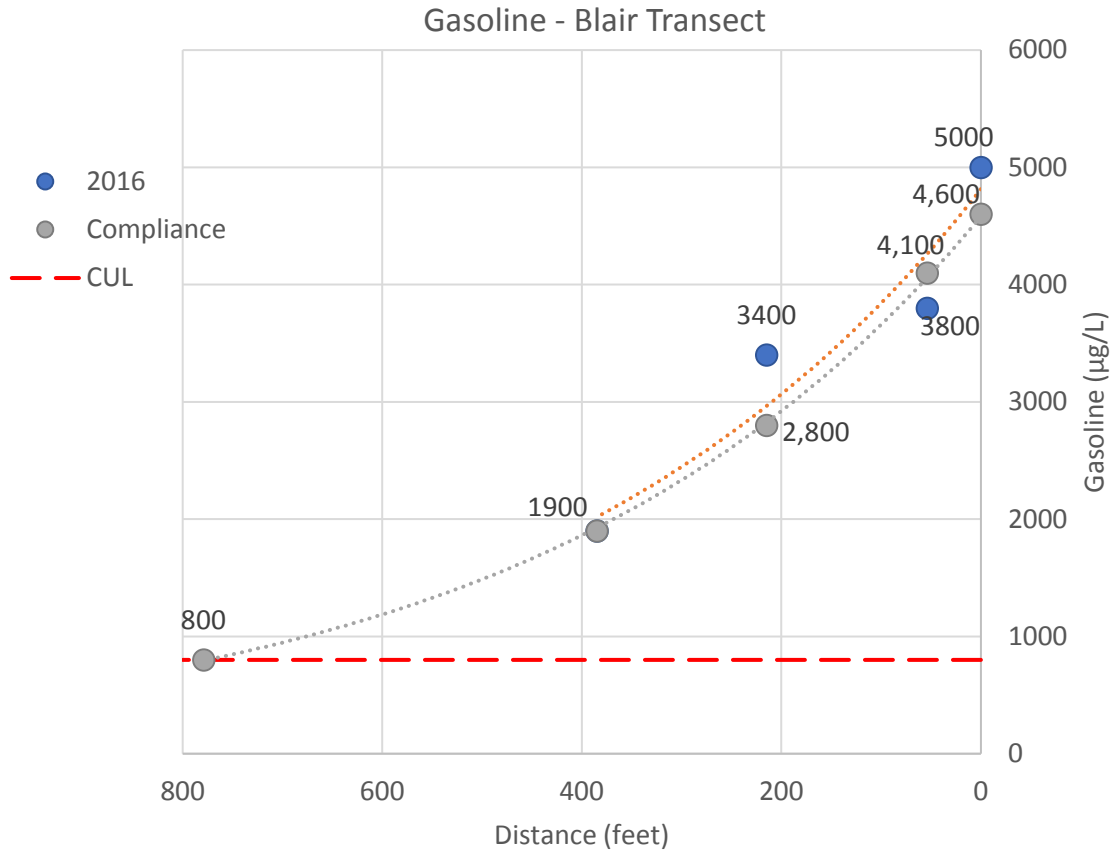
DRO+ORO without SGC						
Location	Sample Date	Distance(ft)	Matrix	Value (µg/L)	ln	Qualifier
721-MW15-15	01-Aug-16	0	Groundwater	13,000	9.47	
721-MW2	01-Aug-16	54	Groundwater	20,600	9.93	
HC-N11-6	01-Aug-16	215	Groundwater	10,700	9.28	
MW-130-15	01-Aug-16	385	Groundwater	4,200	8.34	
MHHW		779				

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Slope (k/vc)} &= -0.0034 \\ \text{x (distance between 721-MW-15-15 and the Blair Waterway)} &= 779 \text{ feet} \\ \text{Remediation Level at Blair Hot Spot} &= 7,300 \text{ µg/L} \end{aligned}$$



GRO						
Location	Sample Date	Distance(ft)	Matrix	Value (µg/L)	ln	Qualifier
MW-109-15	02-Aug-16	0	Groundwater	5,500	8.61	
721-MW6-15	02-Aug-16	67	Groundwater	4,000	8.29	
721-MW11-15	01-Aug-16	180	Groundwater	4,400	8.39	
MW-104-15	02-Aug-16	503	Groundwater	1,300	7.17	

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Slope (k/vc)} &= -0.0028 \\ \text{x (distance between MW-109-15 and MW-104-15)} &= 503 \quad \text{feet} \\ \text{Remediation Level at Hylebos Hot Spot} &= 85,000 \quad \mu\text{g/L} \end{aligned}$$



GRO						
Location	Sample Date	Distance(ft)	Matrix	Value (µg/L)	In	Qualifier
721-MW15-15	01-Aug-16	0	Groundwater	5,000	8.52	
721-MW2	01-Aug-16	54	Groundwater	3,800	8.24	
HC-N11-6	01-Aug-16	215	Groundwater	3,400	8.13	
MW-130-15	01-Aug-16	385	Groundwater	1,900	7.55	
MHHW		779				

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Slope (k/vc)} &= -0.0023 \\ \text{x (distance between 721-MW-15-15 and the Blair Waterway)} &= 779 \text{ feet} \\ \text{Remediation Level at Blair Hot Spot} &= 4,600 \text{ µg/L} \end{aligned}$$

## **Soil Cleanup Level Calculations Summary**

**Appendix E**  
**Soil Cleanup Level Calculation Summary**  
**Alexander Avenue Cleanup Site**  
**Tacoma, Washington**

**Default Industrial Direct Contact Soil Cleanup Level for Petroleum Hydrocarbons<sup>1</sup>**

**MTCA Equation 745-3**

$$\frac{HI \times ABW \times AT \times 365 \text{ days / year}}{EF \times ED \times [(SIR \times CF \times AB1 \times (1 / RfDo)) + (SA \times CF \times AF \times ABS \times (1 / RfDd))]}$$

**Industrial Petroleum Hydrocarbon Cleanup Level (mg/kg) =**                      **16,809**  
**17,000 two significant digits**

Hazard Index (HI)	1	unitless
Average Body Weight (ABW)	70	kg
Averaging Time (AT)	20	years
Exposure Frequency (EF)	256	days/year
Exposure Duration (ED)	20	years
Soil Ingestion Rate (SIR)	100	mg/day (outdoor worker)
Conversion Factor (CF)	1.00E-06	kg/mg
Gastrointestinal Absorption Factor (AB1)	1	unitless
Dermal Surface Area (SA)	2500	cm <sup>2</sup>
Adherence Factor (AF)	0.2	mg/cm <sup>2</sup> - day
Dermal Absorption Fraction (ABS; volatile petroleum with vapor pressure < benzene)	0.03	unitless
Oral Reference Dose (RfDo)	0.02	mg/kg-day
Dermal Reference Dose (RfDd). Derived by RfDo x GI.	0.016	mg/kg-day
Gastrointestinal Absorption Conversion Factor (GI) - Converts oral RfD to a dermal RfD	0.8	unitless

<sup>1</sup> Assumed that the entire petroleum fraction is associated with the Aromatic 10-12 carbon range fraction

**Abbreviations and Acronyms:**

- cm<sup>2</sup> = square centimeters
- kg = kilograms
- kg/mg = kilograms per milligram
- mg/cm<sup>2</sup>-day = milligrams per square centimeters per day
- mg/day = milligrams per day
- mg/kg-day = milligrams per kilogram per day

## **Estimated Restoration Time Frame Calculations**

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## APPENDIX F RESTORATION TIME FRAME ANALYSIS

### Restoration Time Frame Analysis—By Alternative

Cleanup actions must provide for a reasonable restoration time frame. There are two steps in evaluating if a cleanup action time frame is reasonable: 1) estimating the restoration time frames; and 2) evaluating if the time frame is reasonable as outlined in Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 174-340-360(4)(b). The objective of this appendix is to complete Step 1 by estimating restoration time frames to reach cleanup levels (CULs) or screening levels (SLs) at the standard point of compliance (POC)<sup>1</sup> or the conditional point of compliance (CPOC; where proposed),<sup>2</sup> and remediation levels (RLs; where proposed), for each Alternative. Step 2, evaluation of reasonableness, is included in Section 6 of the feasibility study (FS) text. Restoration time frames are estimated by evaluating the current natural attenuation rates and making assumptions about how much the applied technologies will accelerate decay.

Natural attenuation of benzene, gasoline-range total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH-G), and diesel-range TPH (TPH-D) at the Port of Tacoma (Port) and Mariana Properties, Inc. (Mariana) Alexander Avenue Petroleum Tank Facilities site (Site) were analyzed in the *Natural Attenuation and Restoration Timeframe Evaluation* (Port 2017). The analysis follows the methods described in the Washington State Department of Ecology's (Ecology's) guidance document, *Guidance on Remediation of Petroleum-Contaminated Groundwater by Natural Attenuation* (2005), and from the US Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) guidance, *Statistical Analysis of Groundwater Monitoring Data at RCRA Facilities* (2009). Time series analysis was used to assess plume stability and estimate attenuation rates. The analysis included statistical significance testing of the linear regression using an 85 percent confidence level. Benzene trends, overall, did much better in the statistical significance testing than gasoline-range organics (GRO) and diesel-range organics (DRO) trends. Therefore, greater confidence can be given to restoration time frame estimates calculated from benzene attenuation rates in comparison to the other analytes (GRO and DRO). The benzene plume is shrinking—91 percent of the wells analyzed (21 out of 23) have declining trends, and 11 wells had declining trends significantly different from zero. Where applicable for evaluation of light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) petroleum degradation/attenuation, natural source zone depletion (NSZD) rates were used. While the GRO/DRO data available are insufficient to perform a restoration time frame analysis, the restoration time frames for these

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<sup>1</sup> The standard POC for groundwater is throughout the Site.

<sup>2</sup> The proposed CPOC for groundwater in some alternatives is the point or points at which groundwater emanates into the surface water. As described more fully in Section 3 of the feasibility study text, compliance with CULs at the CPOC is proposed to be measured at proposed upland angled (or vertical) wells; and the concentrations that will be used to demonstrate compliance at the CPOC will be determined based on estimated nearshore attenuation in the groundwater-surface water transition zone. For the purposes of this appendix, the upland angled (or vertical) wells that will be used to demonstrate compliance with CULs at the CPOC are termed "angled wells" or "proposed angled wells".

constituents are anticipated to be similar to benzene; and even if longer or shorter, the results would not be anticipated to be significantly different enough to impact the selection of a final remedy.

Note that a restoration time frame analysis for dissolved-phase benzene and total petroleum hydrocarbons on the Blair Waterway side of the Site was not performed. The analysis was not possible because there is insufficient data available to determine the contaminant attenuation rates as groundwater approaches the Blair Waterway; therefore, CULs and/or RLs could not be calculated for the angled wells along the Blair Waterway for demonstrating compliance at the CPOC, RLs could not be calculated for groundwater approaching the waterway, and a restoration time frame could not be accurately estimated. These evaluations will be performed during the engineering design phase, during which, the necessary data needed will be collected.

Additional information on the methods is presented below, followed by restoration time frame analysis for each alternative. The restoration time frames provided assume that implementation of the final remedy will begin in 2021. The evaluations are done using wells from the 15-foot (ft) zones, where most of the contaminant mass is located.

### **Method**

Restoration time frames were estimated using the concentration versus time approach (temporal analysis at a point in the plume) described in the *Guidance on Remediation of Petroleum-Contaminated Groundwater by Natural Attenuation* (Ecology 2005). For each well within the plume, the time to reach the target concentration for that well can be estimated using the following equation (Eqn. F.2 from Ecology 2005):

$$t = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{SL}{C_{current}}\right)}{-k_{point}}$$

Where  $t$  is the time it will take for the contaminant concentration to reach a specified concentration;  $SL$  is the screening level (or any concentration of interest: SL, CUL, RL);  $C_{current}$  is the current contaminant concentration; and  $-k_{point}$  is the attenuation rate (decay rate constant). The  $-k_{point}$  value is derived from the slope of natural log groundwater concentration vs. time plot at a well, these values were calculated for a subset of wells in the network in the *Natural Attenuation and Restoration Timeframe Evaluation* (Port 2017). Benzene trend analysis was performed at each well including testing of statistical significance at an 85 percent confidence level. For wells where the statistical test failed, an average attenuation rate was applied. The average benzene attenuation rate was determined by averaging the decay rates of the wells with statistically significant trends within each attenuation zone as presented in the *Natural Attenuation and Restoration Timeframe Evaluation* (Port 2017). For restoration time frame and cost estimate considerations, the longer restoration time frame estimate was applied.

Current contaminant concentrations are represented by averaging the last two sampling events (collected in May 2016 and August 2016).



Where LNAPL is present, NSZD rates (measured in units of gallons per acre per year [gal/acre/yr]), based on Interstate Technology & Regulatory Council (ITRC) guidance (ITRC 2018), were used to evaluate depletion/degradation rates of LNAPL petroleum. Using the estimated mass/volume of TPH over specific areas with measurable LNAPL, the NSZD rates were used to determine how much mass/volume of TPH would be degraded each year in order to estimate restoration time frames to reach various RLs or CULs.

### **Background and Assumptions**

In the *Natural Attenuation and Restoration Timeframe Evaluation* (Port 2017), the Site was broken into attenuation zones to account for variations in decay rates across the site, the zones are the source zone (SZ), the attenuation zone (AZ), and the groundwater to surface water transition zone (TZ). The source zone (corresponding roughly to the limits of the Blair Hot Spot) is defined by the area of the well network where LNAPL was detected during the remedial investigation (RI; Aspect 2016, Figure 6.2-2).<sup>3</sup> Surrounding the source zone is the attenuation zone, the area where benzene was detected above screening criteria during the RI. The transition zone designation includes the hyporheic zone and is intended to describe the area near the shoreline where seawater intrusion into groundwater is occurring because of tidal fluctuations and where geochemical conditions change relative to the attenuation zone that enhance biodegradation processes.<sup>4</sup> Measurement of geochemical indicators at select wells found elevated sulfate in shoreline wells, likely indicating seawater influence (Aspect 2016). The transition zone is defined as the area from the mean higher high-water (MHHW) line to approximately 50 ft inland; however, tidal fluctuations have been observed as far upland as 200 ft. This evaluation indicates that attenuation rates are generally depressed in areas where LNAPL is present.

**Table: Site Attenuation Rates and Half-life Values for Benzene (Port 2017)**

<i>Natural Attenuation Zone</i>	<i>Wells with significant trends</i>	<i>Average attenuation rate (<math>k_{point}</math>)</i>	<i>Average <math>t_{1/2}</math> - attenuation</i>
SZ	709-MW-09-15, 721-MW15-15, 721-MW2, 721-MW8-15	$-3.16 \times 10^{-4}$	6
AZ – 15 foot	709-MW-11-15, 709-MW-17-15, MW-130-15	$-9.50 \times 10^{-4}$	2
AZ – 25 foot	MW-110-25 and MW-137-25	$-2.47 \times 10^{-3}$	1
TZ	721-MW9-15 and 95-15	$-6.60 \times 10^{-4}$	3

<sup>3</sup> LNAPL was either directly observed, or trace LNAPL was observed in soil borings in the form of sheen and a strong TPH odor.

<sup>4</sup> Processes that enhance biodegradation in the transition zone include the influx of electron acceptors, such as dissolved oxygen and sulfate, transported into the transition zone with the tidally driven seawater, and infusion of atmospheric oxygen due to tidal pumping (cyclic displacement of vadose zone soil vapor due to tidal fluctuations).

The estimated decay rates for benzene generally agree with those reported in several separate studies (Newell et al. 2002, Peargin 2002, USGS 2006). Newell calculated the following median point decay rate constant for benzene: 0.33 per year (2.1-year half-life) for 159 benzene plumes at service station sites in Texas. Peargin (2002) calculated rates from wells that were screened in areas with residual non-aqueous-phase liquid (NAPL); the mean decay rate for benzene was 0.14 per year (half-life of 5 years). Site biodegradation decay rates range from a half-life of 1 to 6 years with a mean of 3 years (Port 2017).

Natural attenuation rates will be enhanced by implementing *in situ* bioremediation. Benzene and TPH bioremediation degradation rates were estimated from two other marine shoreline sites where *in situ* anaerobic bioremediation was implemented through injection of nitrate as a terminal electron acceptor. Treatment degradation rates were 3–12 times faster than were observed pre-treatment (LAI 2018). For the purposes of estimating restoration time frames at the Alexander Avenue former tank farm, it is assumed that bioventing technology will accelerate decay by 1.5 times in the Blair Hot Spot and 3 times in the Hylebos Hot Spot (slower rate anticipated in the Blair Hot Spot is due to greater concentration of TPH mass and decay rate observations in the natural attenuation analysis; Port 2017). Enhanced *in situ* bioremediation (EISB) would accelerate decay by 3 times in the Blair Hot Spot and 6 times in the Hylebos Hot Spot in the downgradient dissolved plume.

For the calculations presented below, it was also assumed that the post-treatment attenuation rate would be equal to the pre-treatment attenuation rate. It is typically observed that, as groundwater contaminant concentrations are reduced over the long term, the attenuation rate declines as indicated at the lower end of a typical logarithmic (or hyperbolic) concentration-versus-time curve (Ecology 2005, EPA 2017). Therefore, the attenuation rate following treatment may in fact be lower than prior to treatment, though it is difficult to predict to what degree.

## **Alternative 1: No Action with Compliance Monitoring**

Alternative 1 consists of compliance monitoring only to confirm human and ecological receptors are not being adversely exposed to Site contaminants.

- Benzene cleanup criteria: Meet the groundwater CUL (benzene = 1.6 micrograms per liter [ $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ ]; based on protection of surface water) at CPOC.
  - Time frame = 29 years
  - Action = transition from annual/biennial performance monitoring of groundwater to long-term (5-year) performance monitoring
- Benzene cleanup criteria: Meet groundwater CULs (benzene = 1.6  $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ ; based on protection of surface water) at the standard POC (Site-wide).
  - Time frame = 152 years
  - Action = long term performance monitoring, transition to confirmation monitoring upon reaching CULs

- Other milestones: Benzene vapor intrusion SL (benzene = 24 µg/L).
  - Time frame = 85 years
  - Action = no action.

Restoration time frame estimated by evaluating natural attenuation at well 721-MW2-15. 721-MW2-15 was chosen because it is anticipated to be the final well at the Site to reach CULs (based on current concentration and contaminant decay rate). The trend at this location is statistically significant from zero; therefore, the well-specific decay rate was applied to the estimated restoration time frame.

Note that, because groundwater trends have a relationship to soil in the smear zone, and the soil CULs for GRO and DRO are related to residual saturation concentrations, the soil cleanup restoration time frames are anticipated to be similar to those for groundwater for Alternative 1.

### ***Alternative 1—Restoration Time Frame Backup***

#### **721-MW2**

##### **Benzene Groundwater Concentration Data**

Sample Date	Value (µg/L)	In	Qualifier
7/14/1995	1900	7.55	
2/16/2008	2100	7.65	
10/16/2014	1300	7.17	
12/9/2015	530	6.27	J
2/22/2016	1200	7.09	J
5/10/2016	800	6.68	
8/1/2016	1100	7.00	

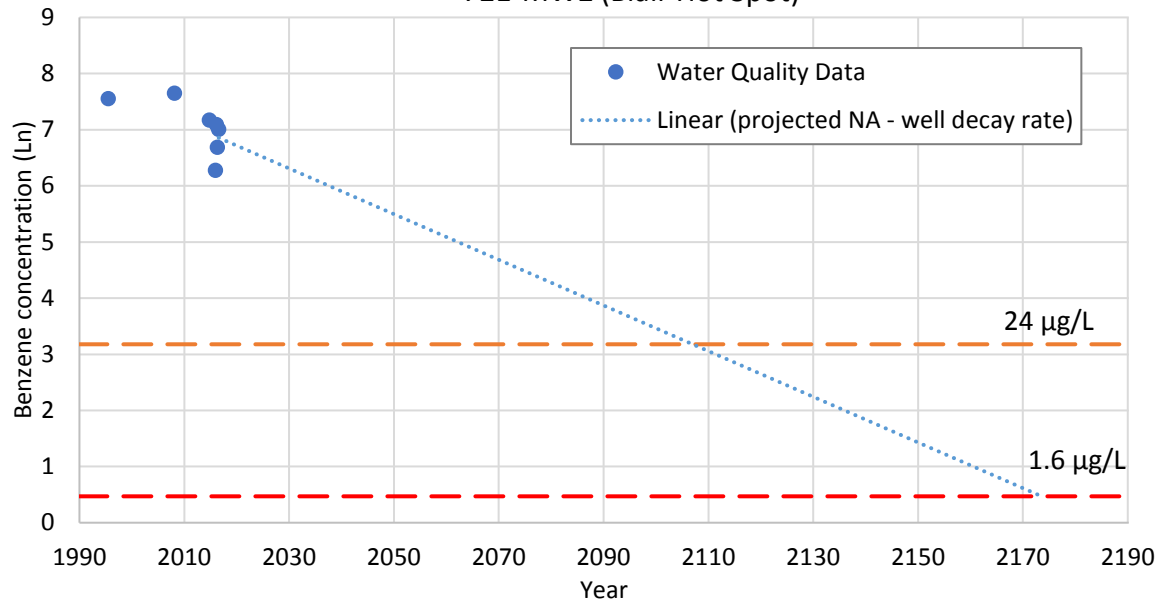
##### **Input Variables (Eqn. F.2)**

Well decay rate (slope) =	-1.11E-04	statistically different from zero
VI SL =	24	µg/L
Groundwater CUL =	1.6	µg/L
C_current (2016 concentration) =	950	µg/L

##### **Results**

Year VI SL will be met Site-wide	2106	85	years from 2021
Year pCUL will be met Site-wide	2173	152	years from 2021

Alternative 1 Restoration Time Frame Analysis  
721-MW2 (Blair Hot Spot)



**MW-104-15**

**Benzene Groundwater Concentration Data**

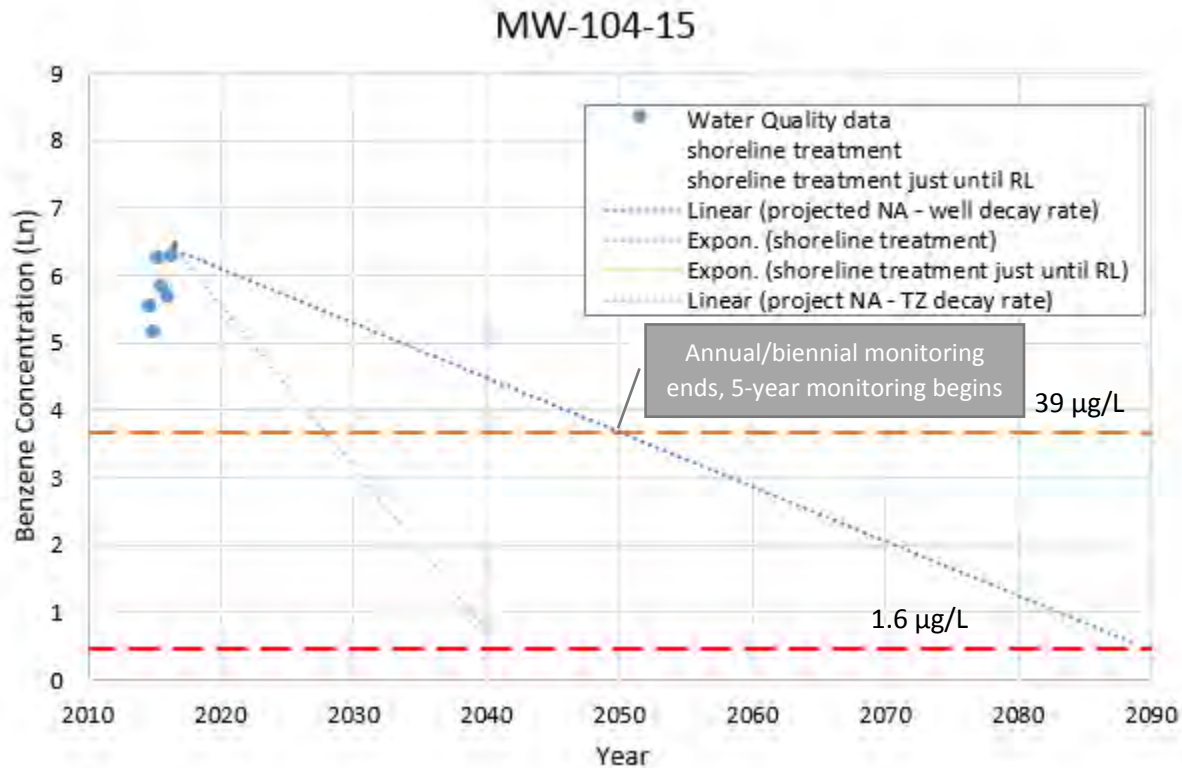
Sample Date	Value (µg/L)	ln	Qualifier
10/15/2014	250	5.52	
1/26/2015	170	5.14	
5/18/2015	510	6.23	
8/28/2015	340	5.83	
12/8/2015	0.2	-2.30	U
2/22/2016	290	5.67	
5/10/2016	530	6.27	
8/2/2016	650	6.48	

**Input Variables (Eqn. F.2)**

Well decay rate (slope) =	-2.22E-04	NOT statistically different from zero
Transition zone decay rate =	-6.60E-04	NA Memo (Port 2017)
Shoreline well conc. protective of CPOC	39	µg/L, from Appendix D
Groundwater CUL =	1.6	µg/L
C <sub>current</sub> (2016 concentration) =	590	µg/L

**Results**

well decay rate	Year GW CUL will be met at CPOC	2050	29	years from 2021
TZ decay rate	Year GW CUL will be met at CPOC	2027	6	years from 2021



## Alternative 2: Site-Wide MNA and Shoreline EISB

Alternative 2 includes shoreline EISB and Site-wide monitored natural attenuation (MNA), as well as the common remedial components; institutional and engineering controls and compliance monitoring. An RL for the Hylebos Hot Spot is proposed to transition between treatment technologies. Time estimates to reach benzene RLs and cleanup criteria are summarized below.

- Benzene cleanup criteria: Meet concentrations in groundwater in angled wells (benzene = 4 µg/L) that demonstrate compliance with CULs at the CPOC (benzene = 1.6 µg/L).
  - Time frame = 5 years
  - Action = continue to perform shoreline injections until Hylebos Hot Spot RL is met (benzene = 86 µg/L)
- Hylebos Hot Spot RL (benzene = 86 µg/L; TPH-D/O = 2,600 µg/L):
  - Time frame = 21 years
  - Action = discontinue shoreline treatment, commence Site-wide MNA.

### Site-wide Milestones

- Benzene vapor intrusion SL met (benzene = 24 µg/L) and
  - Time frame = 85 years (64 years after shoreline treatment completed)
  - Action = end MNA monitoring, begin 5-year reviews/performance monitoring
- Benzene groundwater CUL (benzene = 1.6 µg/L; based on protection of surface water) is met at the standard POC.
  - Time frame = 152 years (67 years after vapor intrusion SL met) respectively (see Alternative 1)
  - Action = end 5-year reviews/performance monitoring, transition to confirmation monitoring upon reaching CULs.

The text below discusses these restoration time frames in greater detail and is organized by where the analysis was focused (i.e., MW-104-15, MW-109-15, and 721-MW2-15).

The time frame to meet the groundwater CUL at the CPOC was estimated by evaluating natural attenuation and the anticipated effects of bioremediation treatment at shoreline well MW-104-15. MW-104-15 was chosen because it is anticipated to be the final well along the shoreline to reach RLs and CULs. The calculations assume shoreline treatment begins in 2021, well MW-104-15 is downgradient of the treatment system, and bioinjections accelerate the decay rate by a factor of six (LAI 2018).

The shoreline bioremediation system will continue to operate until upgradient concentrations have attenuated sufficiently to be protective of the surface water body without operation of the shoreline system. An upgradient RL for the Hylebos Hot Spot was calculated in Appendix D based on the estimated attenuation between the hot spot and Hylebos shoreline. Well MW-109-15 was chosen to estimate the

time frame to meet the RL because it is anticipated to be the last well on the Hylebos-side of the groundwater divide to reach the CULs (based on current concentration and contaminant decay rate).

Note that, because groundwater trends have a relationship to soil in the smear zone, and the soil cleanup levels for GRO and DRO are related to residual saturation concentrations, the soil cleanup restoration time frames are anticipated to be similar to those for groundwater for Alternative 2.

### ***Alternative 2—Restoration Time Frame Backup***

#### **MW-104-15**

##### **Benzene Groundwater Concentration Data**

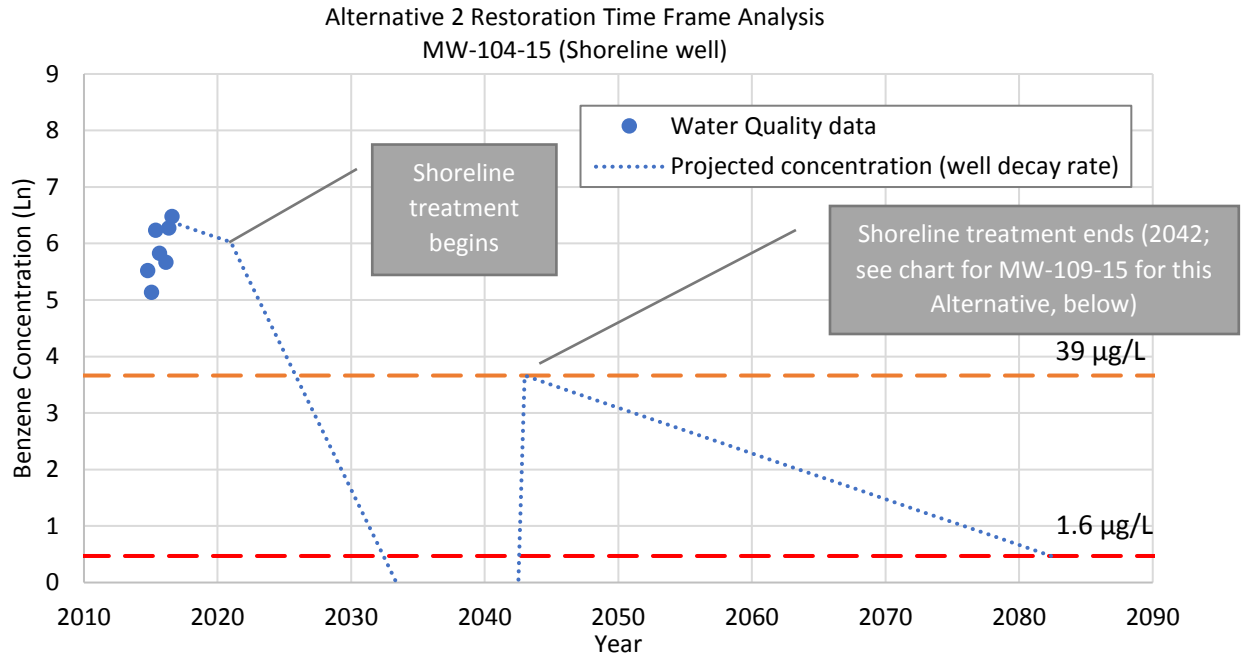
Sample Date	Value (µg/L)	ln	Qualifier
10/15/2014	250	5.52	
1/26/2015	170	5.14	
5/18/2015	510	6.23	
8/28/2015	340	5.83	
12/8/2015	0.2	-2.30	U
2/22/2016	290	5.67	
5/10/2016	530	6.27	
8/2/2016	650	6.48	

##### **Input Variables (Eqn. F.2)**

Well decay rate (slope) =	-2.22E-04	not statistically different from zero
Transition zone decay rate =	-6.60E-04	NA Memo (Port 2017)
Shoreline well conc. protective of CPOC =	39	µg/L, from Appendix D
Groundwater CUL =	1.6	µg/L
C_current 2016 concentration =	590	µg/L

##### **Results**

well decay rate	Year GW CUL will be met at CPOC	2026	5	years from 2021
TZ decay rate	Year GW CUL will be met at CPOC	2022	1	years from 2021



Assumptions: EISB accelerates decay by a factor of 6; natural attenuation rate returns to baseline after shoreline treatment is terminated.



**MW-109-15**

**Benzene Groundwater Concentration Data**

Sample Date	Value (µg/L)	ln	Qualifier
10/16/2014	1900	7.55	
5/19/2015	1500	7.31	
12/9/2015	790	6.67	J
2/24/2016	1000	6.91	
5/10/2016	1400	7.24	
8/2/2016	1700	7.44	

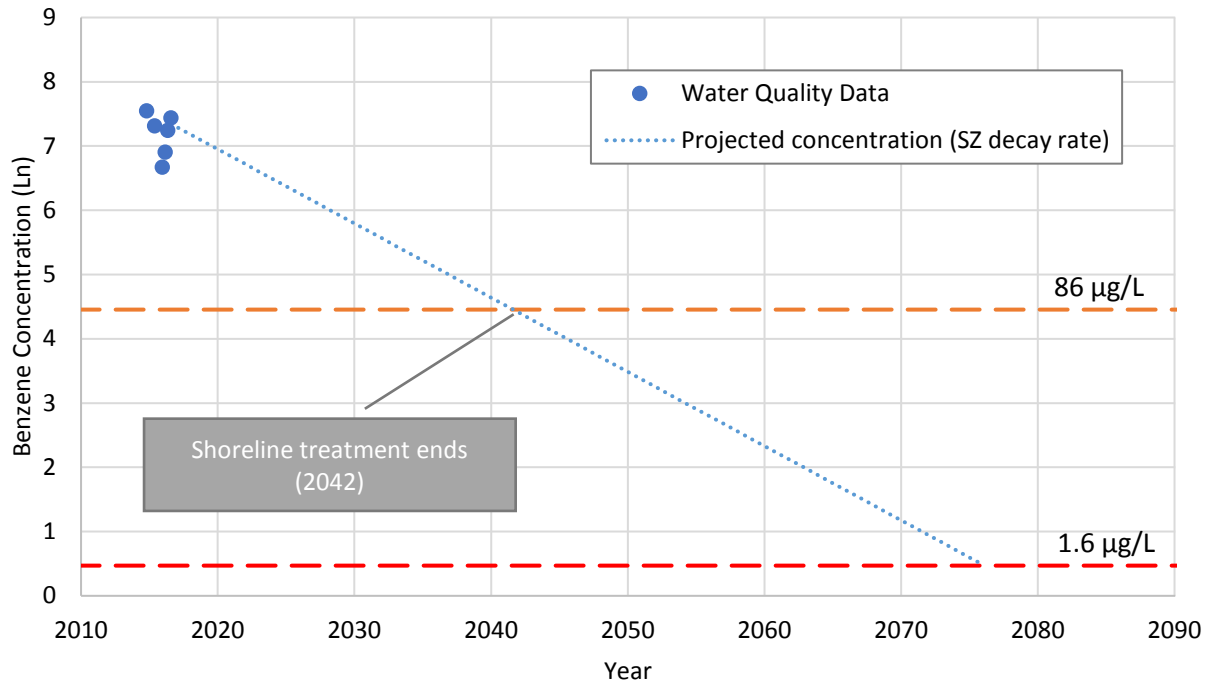
**Input Variables (Eqn. F.2)**

Well decay rate (slope) =	-4.38E-04	NOT statistically different from zero
Source zone decay rate =	-3.16E-04	NA Memo (Port 2017)
Hylebos Hot Spot RL =	86	µg/L, from Appendix C
Groundwater CUL =	1.6	µg/L
C <sub>current</sub> (2016 concentration) =	1550	µg/L

**Results**

SZ decay rate	Year Hylebos Hot Spot RL will be	2042	21	years from 2021
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Alternative 2 Restoration Time Frame Analysis  
MW-109-15 (Hylebos Hot Spot)



## Alternative 3: Hot Spot Bioremediation, Shoreline Bioremediation, MNA

Alternative 3 includes hot spot bioremediation (bioventing and EISB in combination or alone), as well as the remedial components of Alternative 2: shoreline bioremediation, MNA, institutional and engineering controls, and compliance monitoring. A CPOC at the location where groundwater emanates to surface water is proposed for groundwater under this Alternative; this is the same CPOC as proposed for Alternative 2. Compliance with CULs at the CPOC is proposed to be measured at angled wells near the shoreline for Alternative 3. RLs are proposed to guide operations of the proposed bioremediation system at the shoreline and in the Hylebos and Blair soil hot spots, and to transition from MNA to compliance monitoring. The time estimates to reach each RL and cleanup standard are summarized below.

- Benzene cleanup criteria: Meet concentrations in groundwater in angled wells (benzene = 4 µg/L) that demonstrate compliance with CULs at the CPOC (benzene = 1.6 µg/L).
  - Time frame = 5 years of shoreline bioremediation (see Alternative 2 analysis of MW-104-15)
  - Action = discontinue shoreline treatment
- Hylebos Hot Spot RL (benzene = 86 µg/L; TPH-D/O = 2,600 µg/L):
  - Time frame = 9 years of bioventing (7 years to reach the RL with additional 2 years to demonstrate compliance at angled wells and, by extension, the CPOC to account for groundwater travel time to the waterway)
  - Action = discontinue bioventing at the Hylebos Hot Spot (optional: continue bioventing until bioventing at Blair Hot Spot discontinued); commence MNA
- Blair Hot Spot RL (LNAPL < 0.1 ft):
  - Time frame = 9 years of EISB and bioventing to reach residual saturation (LNAPL thickness target)
    - *Time frame to reach TPH direct contact CUL (17,000 milligrams per kilogram [mg/kg]) = 13 years (4 years to reach CUL after EISB discontinued).*
  - Action = discontinue EISB, continue bioventing if monitoring data indicates it is still effectively enhancing petroleum degradation; commence MNA
    - *Blair Hot Spot soil: cleanup action projected to meet Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Method A soil CUL (TPH-D/O = 2,000 mg/kg) in 40 years (based on MNA rates w/no LNAPL present).*

### Site-wide Milestones

- Benzene vapor intrusion SL (benzene = 24 µg/L)
  - Time frame = 29 years (20 years after EISB completed)
  - Action = end MNA, transition to 5-year reviews/performance monitoring

- Benzene groundwater CUL (benzene = 1.6 µg/L; based on protection of surface water) is met at the standard POC
  - Time frame = 94 years (65 years after vapor intrusion SL met)
  - Action = end 5-year reviews/performance monitoring transition to confirmation monitoring.

The text below discusses these restoration time frames in greater detail and is organized by where the analysis was focused (i.e., well 721-MW2-15, MW-104-15, and MW-109-15).

In the same way as Alternative 2, the time frame to meet the groundwater CUL at the CPOC was estimated by evaluating natural attenuation and the anticipated effects of bioremediation treatment at shoreline well MW-104-15. And well MW-109-15 was used to estimate the time frame to meet the Hylebos Hot Spot RL for benzene (86 µg/L).

For the Blair Hot Spot RL, bioventing and EISB are proposed with the goal of treating to concentrations that are protective of human health direct contact and achieve theoretical elimination of LNAPL. Accordingly, the RL is a mass reduction target based on achieving the lower of the TPH pCUL for soil (17,000 mg/kg) and the residual saturation concentration for gasoline and middle distillates (diesel-range hydrocarbons) in fine-to-medium sand. MTCA Table 747-5 provides residual saturation limits for weathered gasoline and middle distillates in coarse sand and gravelly soils. Lithologies observed in Site soil cores include fine-to-medium sand and silty sand. Residual saturation increases with higher LNAPL viscosity and smaller pore size, consequently Site-specific residual saturation will be higher than the default MTCA levels (1,000 mg/kg for weathered gasoline and 2,000 mg/kg for middle distillates diesel-range hydrocarbons). If Site-specific soil conditions are accounted for, residual saturation at the Site is likely to be approximately the same as the TPH hot spot value of 19,000 mg/kg in the 5–10-ft depth interval determined by Ecology (Appendix C), which also aligns closely with the extent of observed LNAPL in Site monitoring wells in the source zone/Blair Hot Spot.<sup>5</sup>

### ***Restoration Time Frame Backup***

Plume mass calculation:

$$Plume\ mass\ (kg) = \frac{A * C_{average} * b * \rho}{UCF}$$

Where, A = planar area (48,000 square feet [ft<sup>2</sup>] for Blair Hot Spot)

C<sub>average</sub> = average concentration in mg/kg

b = plume thickness (5-ft; based on the 5–10-ft interval evaluated in the hot spot analysis, Appendix C, includes the ‘smear’ zone where the majority of the contaminant mass is located)

ρ = soil bulk density (42.5 kilograms per cubic feet [kg/ft<sup>3</sup>])

<sup>5</sup> This value is also consistent with data for empirical relationships between LNAPL type, soil type, and residual saturation that has been compiled in multiple academic and regulatory agency documents (Mercer and Cohen 1990, Brost and DeVaul 2000, Adamski et al. 2003). These compilations are consistent with the expected increase in residual saturation with higher LNAPL viscosity and smaller pore sizes (finer-grained materials).

UCF = unit conversion factor (1,000,000; converts mg to kg)

The current average TPH concentration in the 19,000 mg/kg hot spot (from App 4) is 28,248 mg/kg:

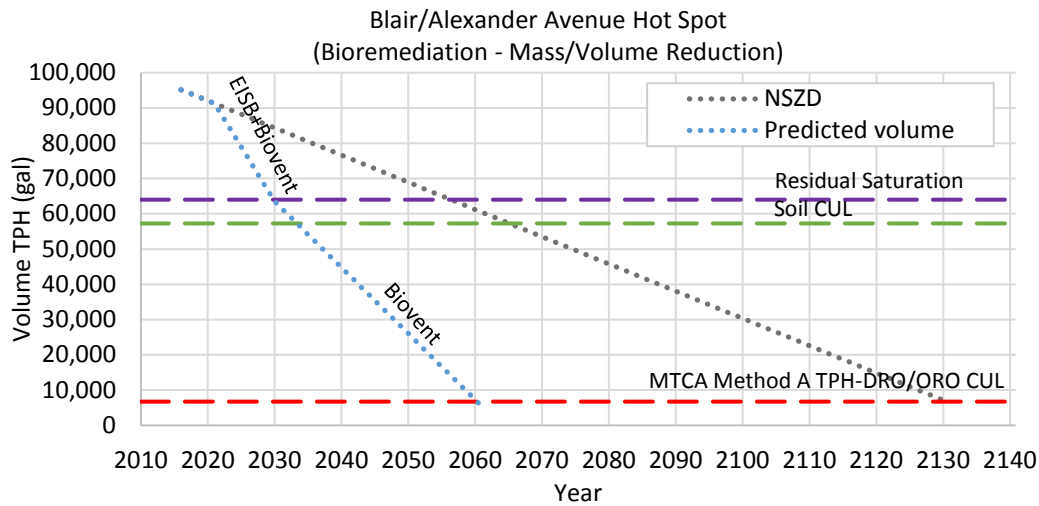
$$Plume\ mass = 48,000\ ft^2 * 28,248\ \frac{mg}{kg} * 5\ ft * 42.5\ \frac{kg}{ft^3} = 288,130\ kg$$

The mass value can be converted to a volume using the equation,  $density = mass/volume$ , and assuming a TPH density of 0.8 kilograms per liter (kg/L; gas and diesel mixture):

$$Volume\ TPH = \frac{288,130\ kg}{0.8\ \frac{kg}{L}} = 360,162\ liters\ (or\ 95,155\ gallons)$$

The same approach was applied to estimate gallons of TPH equivalency for the residual saturation limit: 19,000 mg/kg, the CUL for soil, 17,000 mg/kg, and the MTCA Method A CUL, 2,000 mg/kg.

Assumptions: EISB and bioventing accelerates NSZD rate<sup>6</sup> to the typical upper-end value of 2,800 gal/acre/yr, and bioventing alone accelerates NSZD to the median value of 1,700 gal/acre/yr (ITRC 2018).



<sup>6</sup> NSZD rates stated are from the ITRC guidance for the middle 50 percent of the 25 NSZD study sites evaluated.

**721-MW2**

**Benzene Groundwater Concentration Data**

Sample Date	Value (µg/L)	ln	Qualifier
7/14/1995	1900	7.55	
2/16/2008	2100	7.65	
10/16/2014	1300	7.17	
12/9/2015	530	6.27	J
2/22/2016	1200	7.09	J
5/10/2016	800	6.68	
8/1/2016	1100	7.00	

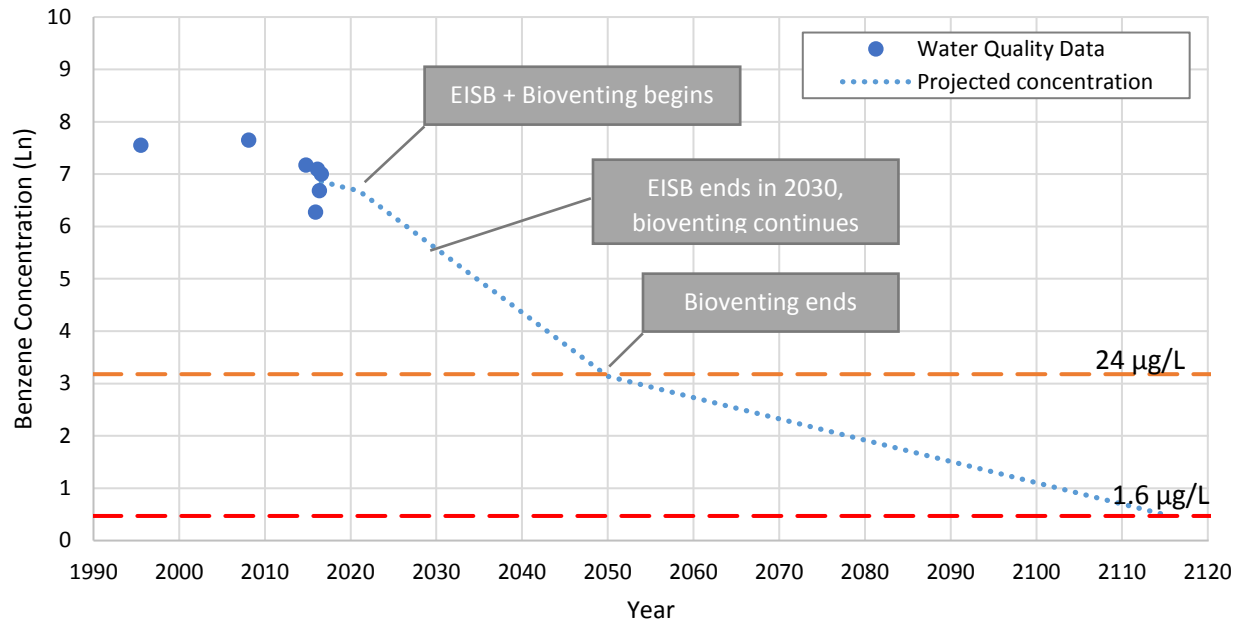
**Input Variables (Eqn. F.2)**

Well decay rate (slope) =	-1.11E-04	statistically different from zero
VI SL =	24	µg/L
Groundwater pCUL =	1.6	µg/L
C_current (2016 concentration) =	950	µg/L

**Results**

Year VI SL will be met Site-wide	2050	29	years from 2021
Year pCUL will be met Site-wide	2115	94	years from 2021

Alternative 3 Restoration Time Frame Analysis  
721-MW2



Assumptions: EISB plus bioventing only accelerates decay by 3 times at the Blair Hot Spot (versus 6 times assumption at the Hylebos Hot Spot) because of the presence of LNAPL, when soil concentrations are below residual saturation, bioventing alone is estimated to achieve decay acceleration of 3 times.

#### MW-109-15

##### **Benzene Groundwater Concentration Data**

Sample Date	Value (µg/L)	ln	Qualifier
10/16/2014	1900	7.55	
5/19/2015	1500	7.31	
12/9/2015	790	6.67	J
2/24/2016	1000	6.91	
5/10/2016	1400	7.24	
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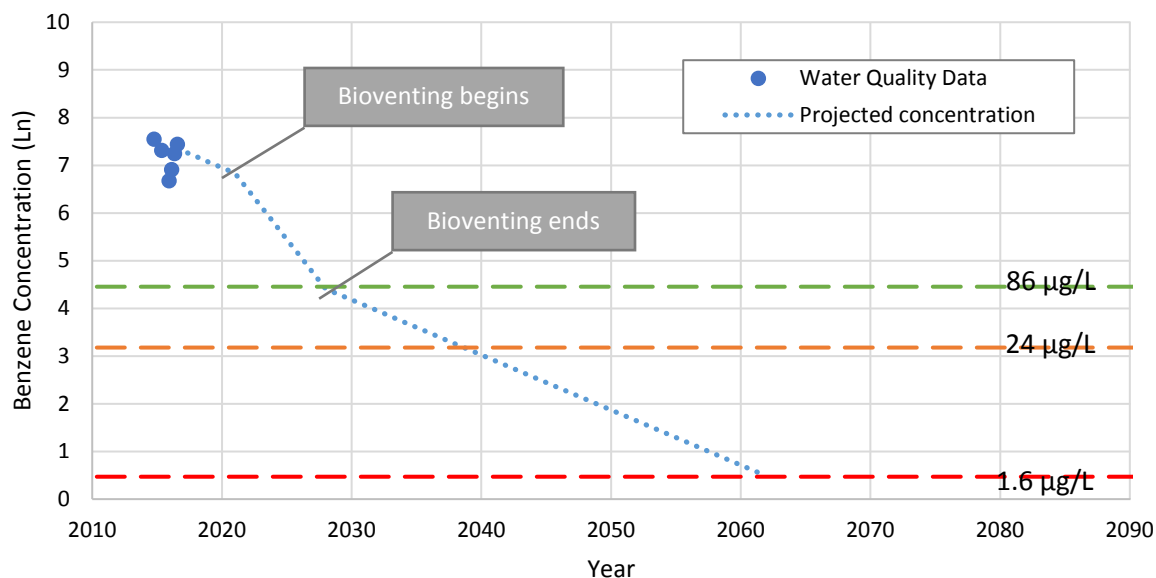
##### **Input Variables (Eqn. F.2)**

Well decay rate (slope) =	-4.38E-04	NOT statistically different from zero
Source zone decay rate =	-3.16E-04	NA Memo (Port 2017)
Groundwater CUL =	1.6	µg/L
Hylebos Hot Spot RL =	86	µg/L, from Appendix C
C_current (2016 concentration) =	1550	µg/L

##### **Results**

SZ decay rate	Year Hylebos hot spot RL will be met	2028	7	years from 2021
SZ decay rate	Year VI SL will be met at well	2039	18	years from 2021
SZ decay rate	Year pCUL will be met at well	2062	41	years from 2021
well decay rate	Year Hylebos hot spot RL will be met	2025	4	years from 2021

Alternative 3 Restoration Time Frame Analysis  
MW-109-15 (Hylebos Hot Spot)



Assumptions: Bioventing accelerates decay by 3 times.

### Alternative 4: Hot Spot Bioremediation, MNA

Alternative 4 includes hot spot bioremediation (bioventing and EISB in combination), as well as MNA, institutional and engineering controls, and compliance monitoring. A CPOC at the location where groundwater emanates to surface water is proposed for groundwater under this Alternative; this is the same CPOC as proposed for Alternatives 2 and 3. Compliance with CULs at the CPOC is proposed to be measured at angled wells near the shoreline for Alternative 4. RLs are proposed to guide bioremediation technologies at the Hylebos and Blair soil hot spots, and to transition from MNA to compliance monitoring. The time estimates to reach each RL and cleanup standard are summarized below.

- Benzene cleanup criteria: Meet concentrations in groundwater pCULs in angled wells (benzene = 4 µg/L) that demonstrate compliance with CULs at the CPOC (benzene = 1.6 µg/L).
  - Time frame = 5 years, based on treatment at the Hylebos Hot Spot
  - Action = discontinue EISB at the Hylebos Hot Spot
- Hylebos Hot Spot RL (EISB RL – benzene = 86 µg/L; bioventing RL – benzene = 24 µg/L):
  - Time frame = 5 years of EISB and bioventing (3 years to reach RL with up to 2 additional years to demonstrate compliance at angled wells and, by extension, the CPOC to account for groundwater travel time to the waterway)
  - Action = discontinue EISB, continue bioventing until vapor intrusion SL is met

- Time frame = 2 additional years bioventing after completion of EISB) (7 years total)
- Action = discontinue bioventing; optional – continue bioventing if monitoring data indicates it is still effectively enhancing petroleum degradation
- Blair Hot Spot RL (LNAPL < 0.1 ft; groundwater benzene = 2,600 µg/L, TPH-D/O = 7,300 µg/L; TPH-G = 4,600 µg/L):
  - Time frame = 9 years of EISB and bioventing to reach residual saturation (LNAPL target thickness)
    - *Time frame to reach TPH direct contact CUL (17,000 mg/kg) = 13 years (4 years to reach CUL after EISB discontinued)*
  - Action = discontinue EISB, continue bioventing and commence MNA sampling/monitoring until vapor intrusion SL is met
    - *Blair Hot Spot soil: cleanup action projected to meet MTCA Method A soil CUL (TPH-D/O = 2,000 mg/kg) in 2061, 40 years (based on MNA rates w/no LNAPL present).*

### **Site-wide Milestones**

- Benzene vapor intrusion SL (benzene = 24 µg/L)
  - Time frame = 29 years (20 years after EISB completed),
  - Action = end bioventing at both hot spots and discontinue MNA sampling, transition to 5-year reviews/performance monitoring
- Benzene groundwater CUL (benzene = 1.6 µg/L; based on protection of surface water) is met at the standard POC
  - Time frame = 94 years (65 years after vapor intrusion SL met), respectively
  - Action = end 5-year reviews/performance monitoring, transition to confirmation monitoring.

The text below discusses these restoration time frames in greater detail and is organized by where the analysis was focused (i.e., well 721-MW2-15, MW-104-15, and MW-109-15).

The time frame to meet the groundwater CUL at the CPOC is estimated by evaluating the anticipated effects of bioremediation treatment (EISB and bioventing) at the Hylebos Hot Spot, using well MW-109-15, and the downgradient projections presented in Appendix D.

For the Blair Hot Spot, the anticipated effect of bioremediation treatment (EISB and bioventing) are estimated by the same method as Alternative 3.



**MW-109-15**

**Benzene Groundwater Concentration Data**

Sample Date	Value (µg/L)	ln	Qualifier
10/16/2014	1900	7.55	
5/19/2015	1500	7.31	
12/9/2015	790	6.67	J
2/24/2016	1000	6.91	
5/10/2016	1400	7.24	
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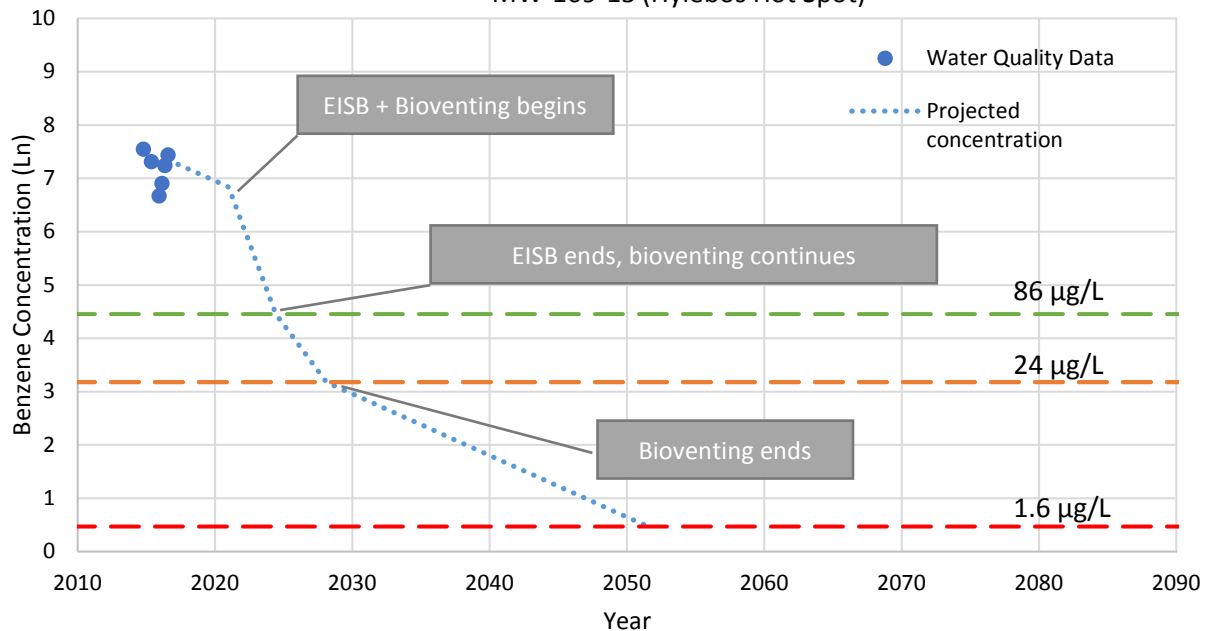
**Input Variables (Eqn. F.2)**

Well decay rate (slope) =	-4.38E-04	NOT statistically different from zero
Source zone decay rate =	-3.16E-04	NA Memo (Port 2017)
Groundwater pCUL =	1.6	µg/L
Hylebos hot spot RL =	86	µg/L
C <sub>current</sub> (2016 concentration) =	1550	µg/L

**Results**

SZ decay rate	Year Hylebos hot spot RL will be	2024	3	years from 2021
	Year VI SL will be met at well	2028	7	years from 2021
	Year pCUL will be met at well	2051	30	years from 2021
well decay rate	Year Hylebos hot spot RL will be	2023	2	years from 2021
	Year pCUL will be met	2042	21	years from 2021

Alternative 4 Restoration Time Frame Analysis  
MW-109-15 (Hylebos Hot Spot)



Assumptions: EISB and bioventing accelerates decay by 6 times, bioventing alone accelerates decay by 3 times.

## Alternative 5: Hot Spot Excavation, Alexander Avenue Bioremediation, Shoreline Bioremediation, MNA

Alternative 5 includes hot spot excavation and bioremediation under Alexander Avenue, as well as the remedial components of Alternative 2: shoreline bioremediation, MNA, institutional and engineering controls, and compliance monitoring.

- Benzene cleanup criteria: Meet concentrations in groundwater in angled wells (benzene = 4 µg/L) that demonstrate compliance with CULs at the CPOC (benzene = 1.6 µg/L).
  - Time frame = 5 years (see Alternative 2 analysis of MW-104-15)
  - Action = discontinue shoreline treatment, transition to MNA everywhere except Alexander Avenue until vapor intrusion SL met
- Hot spot excavation soil RLs (total TPH =19,000 mg/kg, benzene = 19 mg/kg—values from hot spot analysis, Appendix C):
  - Time frame = 1–2 years
  - Action = discontinue excavation at Hylebos and Blair Hot Spots when confirmation samples are below RLs
- Alexander Avenue bioremediation RL (LNAPL < 0.1 ft)
  - Time frame = 9 years of EISB and bioventing
    - *Time frame to reach TPH direct contact CUL (17,000 mg/kg) = 13 years (4 years to reach CUL after EISB discontinued).*
  - Action = discontinue EISB, continue bioventing until TPH soil CUL met and (if applicable) transition to MNA monitoring until vapor SL is met

### Site-wide Milestones

- Benzene vapor intrusion SL (benzene = 24 µg/L)
  - Time frame = 11 years
  - Action = transition from MNA monitoring to 5-year reviews/performance monitoring
- Benzene groundwater CUL (benzene = 1.6 µg/L; based on protection of surface water) is met at the standard POC
  - Time frame = 22 years, (11 years after vapor intrusion SL is met)
  - Action = end 5-year reviews/performance monitoring, transition to confirmation monitoring.

In the same way as Alternative 2, the time frame to meet the groundwater CUL at the CPOC was estimated by evaluating natural attenuation and the anticipated effects of bioremediation treatment at shoreline well MW-104-15. See Alternative 2 analysis of MW-104-15.

Soil RLs will be used to determine the limits of excavation in the Hylebos and Blair Hot Spots. Sidewall confirmation samples will be evaluated against the RLs, 19 mg/kg for benzene and 19,000 mg/kg for

TPH. When RLs are met, excavation will be complete (except along the Alexander Avenue right-of-way, beneath which excavation will not be possible). It is assumed that the remedy will be implemented in 2021 and soil removal will be immediate; therefore, it is estimated that soil RLs will be met within 1 year.

The Alexander Avenue RL for terminating EISB is LNAPL of less than 0.1 ft, which is approximated by the hot spot value of 19,000 mg/kg; 19,000 mg/kg of total TPH is the approximate concentration for residual saturation if Site-specific soil conditions are accounted for (see text for Alternative 3). To estimate plume mass reduction under Alexander Avenue, the same plume mass/NSZD method was applied as under Alternative 3 for treatment of the entire Blair Hot Spot. The area of the Blair Hot Spot beneath Alexander Avenue was measured using an image overlay of the Blair Hot Spot in Google Earth, the footprint under the road is approximately 0.2 acres, or 8,700 ft<sup>2</sup>.

The time frame to meet the vapor intrusion SL (benzene = 24 µg/L) and groundwater CUL (benzene = 1.6 µg/L; based on protection of surface water) at the standard POC was estimated by evaluating natural attenuation well 721-MW12-15. Well 721-MW12-15 was chosen to estimate restoration time frames because it is anticipated to be the final well outside of the hot spot excavation footprint to reach cleanup standards (based on current concentration and contaminant decay rate). It was assumed that once the hot spots are excavated and treatment is active under Alexander Avenue, the remaining wells in the dissolved phase plume will experience a decay rate acceleration of 2 times.

### **Alternative 5 Restoration Time Frame Backup**

Plume mass calculation:

$$Plume\ mass\ (kg) = \frac{A * C_{average} * b * \rho}{UCF}$$

Where, A = planar area (8,700 ft<sup>2</sup> for portion of Blair Hot Spot that is under Alexander Avenue)

C<sub>average</sub> = average concentration in mg/kg

b = plume thickness (5 ft; based on the 5–10-ft interval evaluated in the hot spot analysis, Appendix C, includes the ‘smear’ zone where the majority of the contaminant mass is located)

ρ = soil bulk density (42.5 kg/ft<sup>3</sup>)

UCF = unit conversion factor (1,000,000; converts mg to kg)

The current average TPH concentration in the 19,000 mg/kg hot spot (from App 4) is 28,248 mg/kg:

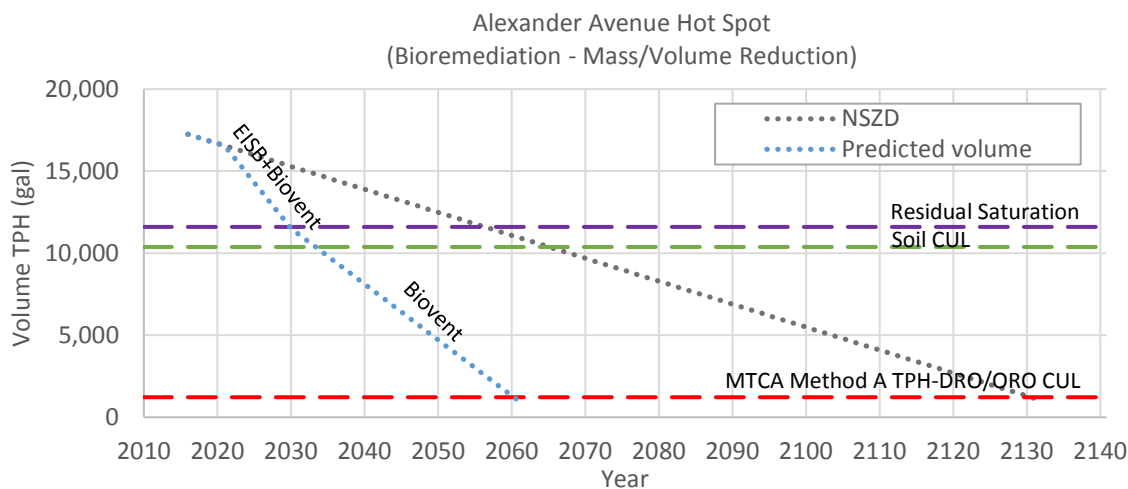
$$Plume\ mass = 8,700\ ft^2 * 28,248\ \frac{mg}{kg} * 5\ ft * 42.5\ \frac{kg}{ft^3} = 288,130\ kg$$

The mass value can be converted to a volume using the equation, *density = mass/volume*, and assuming a TPH density of 0.8 kg/L (gas and diesel mixture):

$$Volume\ TPH = \frac{288,130\ kg}{0.8\ \frac{kg}{L}} = 65,279\ liters\ (or\ 17,247\ gallons)$$

The same approach was applied to estimate gallons of TPH equivalency for the residual saturation limit, 19,000 mg/kg, the CUL for soil, 17,000 mg/kg, and the MTCA Method A CUL, 2,000 mg/kg.

Assumptions: EISB and bioventing accelerates NSZD rate<sup>7</sup> to the typical upper end value of 2,800 gal/acre/yr, and bioventing alone accelerates NSZD to the median value of 1,700 gal/acre/year (ITRC 2018).



**721-MW12-15**

**Benzene Groundwater Concentration Data**

Sample Date	Value (µg/L)	In	Qualifier
7/30/2012	450	6.11	
10/16/2014	560	6.33	
12/9/2015	150	5.01	J
2/24/2016	150	5.01	
5/11/2016	290	5.67	
8/1/2016	590	6.38	

**Input Variables (Eqn. F.2)**

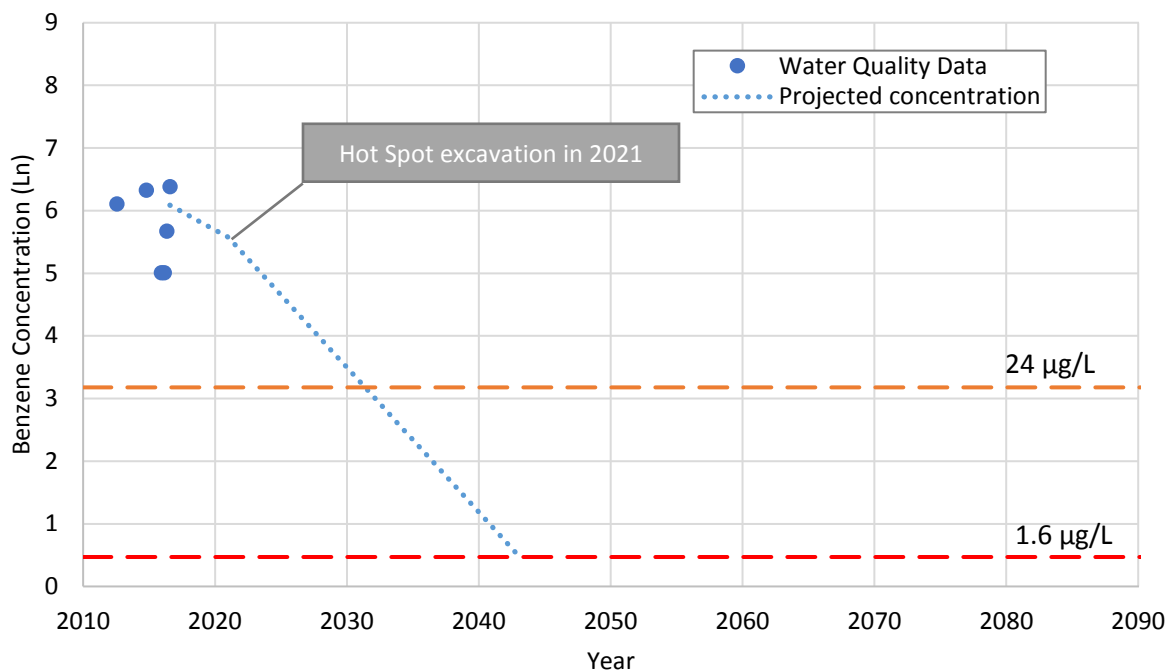
Well decay rate (slope) =	-3.92E-04	NOT statistically different from zero
Source zone decay rate =	-3.16E-04	NA Memo (Port 2017)
VI SL =	24	µg/L
Groundwater CUL =	1.6	µg/L
C <sub>current</sub> (2016 concentration) =	440	µg/L

**Results**

SZ decay rate	Year VI SL will be met at well	2032	11	years from 2021
	Year pCUL will be met at well	2043	22	years from 2021

<sup>7</sup> NSZD rates stated are from the ITRC guidance for the middle 50 percent of the 25 NSZD study sites evaluated.

### Alternative 5 Restoration Time Frame Analysis 721-MW12-15



Assumptions: Once hot spots are excavated, well decay rates will accelerate by 2 times.

### Alternative 6: Extended Remedial Excavation, Alexander Avenue Bioremediation, and MNA for Deep Groundwater

Alternative 6 includes extended remedial soil excavation, Alexander Avenue bioremediation, MNA for deep groundwater, and compliance monitoring. The standard POC for groundwater is proposed for this alternative. The time estimates to reach each RL and cleanup standard are summarized below.

- Hot spot excavation soil CULs (total TPH = 2,000 mg/kg, benzene = 0.03 mg/kg):
  - Time frame = 2–3 years
  - Action = discontinue excavation at Hylebos and Blair Hot Spots when confirmation samples are below soil CULs
- Alexander Avenue bioremediation soil CUL (total TPH = 2,000 mg/kg)
  - Time frame = 28 years of EISB and bioventing, and groundwater EISB performance monitoring
  - Action = discontinue EISB and bioventing.

#### Site-wide Milestones

- Benzene vapor intrusion SL (benzene = 24 µg/L)
  - Time frame = 11 years (8 years after remedial excavation is complete)

- Action = begin MNA monitoring in deep groundwater zone
- Benzene groundwater CUL (benzene = 1.6 µg/L; based on protection of surface water) is met at the standard POC:
  - Time frame = 22 years
  - Action = end MNA monitoring in deep groundwater, transition to Site-wide groundwater confirmation monitoring.

Soil CULs will be used to determine the limits of excavation in the Hylebos and Blair Hot Spots. Sidewall confirmation samples will be evaluated against the RLs (benzene = 0.03 mg/kg and total TPH = 2,000 mg/kg). When CULs are met, excavation will be complete (except along the Alexander Avenue right-of-way, beneath which excavation will not be possible). It is assumed that the remedy will be implemented in 2021 and soil removal will be immediate; therefore, it is estimated that soil RLs will be met within 1 year.

The Alexander Avenue pCUL for terminating EISB and bioventing RL is 2,000 mg/kg total TPH. To estimate plume mass reduction under Alexander Avenue, the same plume mass/NSZD method was applied as under Alternative 5.

The time frame to meet the vapor intrusion SL (benzene = 24 µg/L) and groundwater CUL (benzene = 1.6 µg/L; based on protection of surface water) at the standard POC was estimated by evaluating natural attenuation well 721-MW15-25. Well 721-MW15-25 was chosen to estimate restoration time frames because it has the highest benzene concentrations in the 25-ft zone and is anticipated to be the final well under this Alternative to reach cleanup standards. It was assumed that once soil excavation is complete, the remaining wells in the dissolved phase plume will experience a decay rate acceleration of 2 times.

### **Alternative 6 Restoration Time Frame Backup**

Plume mass calculation:

$$Plume\ mass\ (kg) = \frac{A * C_{average} * b * \rho}{UCF}$$

Where, A = planar area (8,700 ft<sup>2</sup> for portion of Blair Hot Spot that is under Alexander Avenue)

C<sub>average</sub> = average concentration in mg/kg

b = plume thickness (5 ft; based on the 5–10-ft interval evaluated in the hot spot analysis, Appendix C, includes the ‘smear’ zone where the majority of the contaminant mass is located)

ρ = soil bulk density (42.5 kg/ft<sup>3</sup>)

UCF = unit conversion factor (1,000,000; converts mg to kg)

The current average TPH concentration in the 19,000 mg/kg hot spot (from App 4) is 28,248 mg/kg:

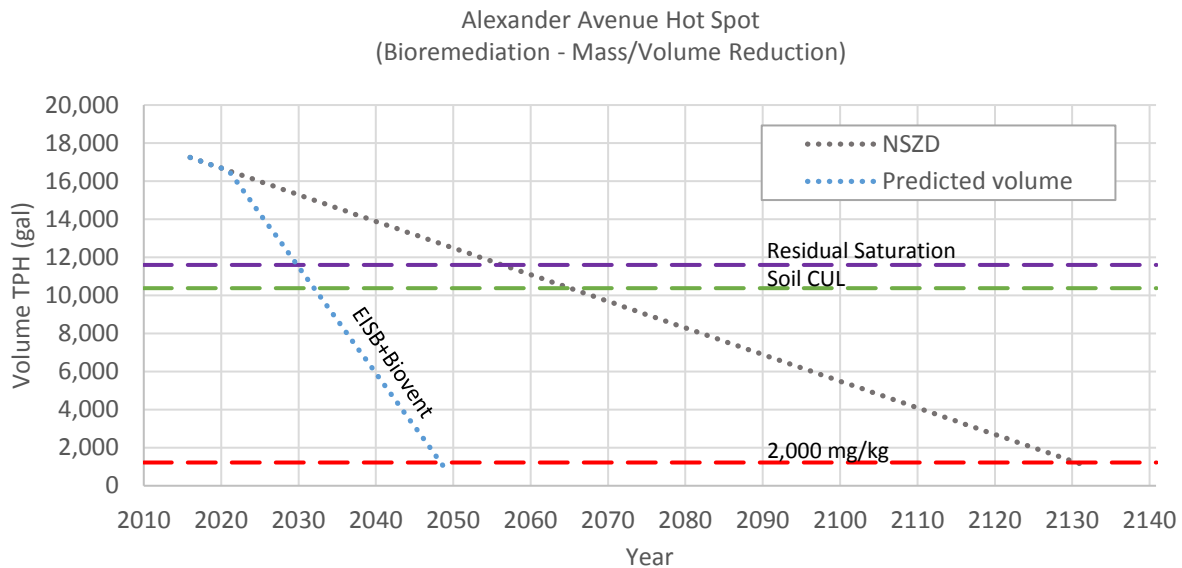
$$Plume\ mass = 8,700\ ft^2 * 28,248\ \frac{mg}{kg} * 5\ ft * 42.5\ \frac{kg}{ft^3} = 288,130\ kg$$

The mass value can be converted to a volume using the equation,  $density = mass/volume$ , and assuming a TPH density of 0.8 kg/L (gas and diesel mixture):

$$Volume\ TPH = \frac{288,130\ kg}{0.8\ \frac{kg}{L}} = 65,279\ liters\ (or\ 17,247\ gallons)$$

The same approach was applied to estimate gallons of TPH equivalency for 2,000 mg/kg.

Assumptions: EISB and bioventing accelerates NSZD rate<sup>8</sup> to the typical upper-end value of 2,800 gal/acre/yr (ITRC 2018).



<sup>8</sup> NSZD rates stated are from the ITRC guidance for the middle 50 percent of the 25 NSZD study sites evaluated.

**721-MW15-25**

**Benzene Groundwater Concentration Data**

Sample Date	Value (µg/L)	ln	Qualifier
7/30/2012	1800	7.50	
10/17/2014	1400	7.24	
5/19/2015	1200	7.09	

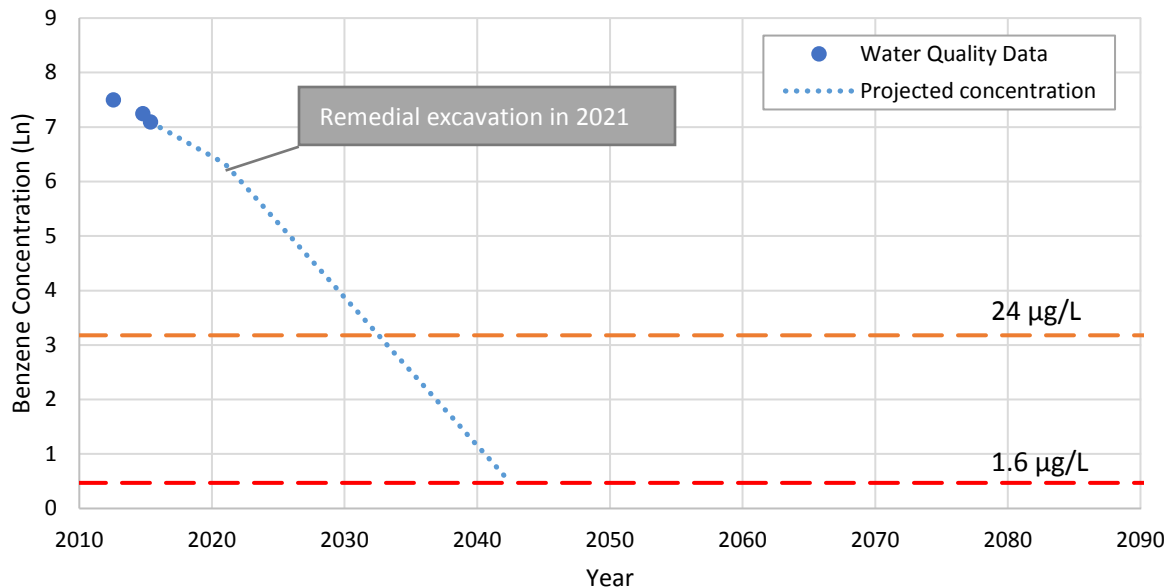
**Input Variables (Eqn. F.2)**

Well decay rate (slope) =	-3.73E-04	NOT statistically different from zero
25-ft attenuation zone decay rate =	-2.47E-03	NA Memo (Port 2017)
VI SL =	24	µg/L
Groundwater pCUL =	1.6	µg/L
C_current (2015 concentration) =	1200	µg/L

**Results**

well decay rate	Year VI SL will be met at well	2032	11	years from
	Year CUL will be met at well	2042	22	years from

**Alternative 6 Restoration Time Frame Analysis  
721-MW15-25**





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