CHEMICAL CONTAMINANT LEVELS IN GROUND WATER, SOIL AND SEDIMENTS FROM THE CHICAGO MILWAUKEE REAL ESTATE CORPORATION WASTE DISPOSAL SITE OTHELLO, WASHINGTON JULY 17-18, 1989

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ABSTRACT

Ground water, soil and sediment samples were collected July 17-18, 1989, from the Chicago Milwaukee Real Estate Corporation (CMC) waste disposal site in Othello, Washington. Samples were analyzed for volatile organics, semivolatile organics, priority pollutant and EP Tox metals, organophosphorus pesticides, PCBs, and a range of conventional parameters. In general, contaminant levels during this round of sampling were low and seem to confirm previous sampling at the site. Noteworthy exceptions were PCB 1260 (91 μ g/kg, dry weight) in soil at ODH-5. Analysis of marsh sediments detected chlorpyrifos (mean=180 μ g/kg, dry weight), total DDT analogs (mean=280 μ g/kg, dry weight), and unknown hydrocarbons (estimated mean=4.5x10-6 μ g/kg, dry weight). Contamination of marsh sediments with these compounds appears to be related to the application of pesticides for mosquito control.

INTRODUCTION

The CMC Real Estate Corporation (CMC) waste disposal site is located in Othello, Washington, on about 86 acres near the Potholes East irrigation canal (T15N, R29E, Sec.4) (Figure 1). Contamination of soil and ground water at the site with organic chemicals (primarily petroleum products) and metals has occurred as a result of discharge of stormwater and wastes from the abandoned Burlington Northern (BN) railroad maintenance facility which is located adjacent to the CMC site (Hydrometrics, 1989). The BN maintenance facility was established around 1910 and operated until 1980 as a major repair and refueling station.

To assist in evaluating remediation alternatives for the CMC site under the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), Ecology's Eastern Regional Office (ERO) requested that the Toxics Investigation Section (TIS) conduct an independent study with the primary objective of verifying concentrations of volatile and semivolatile organics and metals measured in ground water and soil by Hydrometrics (CMC's consultant) and Ecology in 1988. A secondary objective of this investigation was to conduct limited sampling for a broader range of contaminants then had been analyzed for in previous characterization studies.

Preliminary data from the present investigation was transmitted to CMC and the ERO in March 1990. Based on these results, the ERO decided to allow CMC to conduct a voluntary cleanup at the Othello site under the MTCA. This final report provides a detailed description of the investigation including sampling methods, quality assurance procedures and a detailed interpretation of the data.

METHODS

Sampling

Ground water, soil and sediment sampling was conducted July 17-18, 1989, by Dale Norton and Denis Erickson from TIS and Sherman Spencer from the ERO. Sampling locations are shown in Figure 1.

Ground Water

Six on-site monitoring wells were sampled during the present investigation. These wells were selected to replicate previous characterization studies by Hydrometrics (Hydrometrics, 1988) and Ecology (Ecology, 1988). All wells sampled are constructed of a 2-inch PVC pipe with a 2-inch stainless steel 20 slot screen and range in depth from 12-33 feet (well logs have been included as Appendix A). The single exception is Well ODH-4 which has a galvanized riser pipe.

Prior to sample collection, water level measurements were recorded using an electronic water level indicator, Slope Indicator Model #51453. All monitoring wells were purged with a centrifugal pump a minimum of three well volumes or until conductivity, pH and temperature



Figure 1: Site map and sampling locations for CMC waste disposal site Othello, Wa.

readings stabilized. Samples were then collected using a pre-cleaned (see Quality Assurance section for cleaning procedures) teflon bailer. Metal aliquots for dissolved metals determination were filtered in the field through a 0.45 um polycarbonate membrane filter using an all teflon filtration system. Metal and TOC samples were preserved with one mL of nitric acid to a pH <2, while volatile organics were preserved with two drops of 1+1 hydrochloric acid. All samples were placed in priority pollutant cleaned containers supplied by I-Chem Hayward, California, wrapped in plastic bags and stored on ice for transport to the Ecology/EPA Environmental Laboratory at Manchester, Washington. Ecology chain-of-custody procedures were followed for all samples (Huntamer, 1986).

Soil Sampling

Soil samples were collected near the end of each historical and current discharge pipe leading from the BN railroad yard (see Figure 1). These locations were selected for sampling because they were considered to have the highest potential to detect contamination and were sampled during previous investigations.

At each sampling location, a four-foot soil core was obtained from beneath the tar layer with the use of a hand auger equipped with a one foot stainless steel auger head. To reduce the volume of material, each one foot increment was homogenized and subsampled. The four subsamples were then transferred to a stainless steel beaker. The final composite (0-4 feet) was then homogenized by stirring and aliquots removed to appropriate containers for the various analyses. All sample containers were priority pollutant-cleaned glass jars with teflon-lined lids supplied by I-Chem. Samples were handled according to Ecology chain-of-custody procedures (Huntamer, 1986).

Sediment Sampling

A single surface (0-2 cm) sediment composite was obtained from the marshy area along the western portion of the site to screen this area for potential contaminants of concern. To prepare a composite sample, surface sediments were collected at approximately 20-30 feet intervals along the eastern edge of the marsh, with the use of a stainless steel spoon, until a sufficient volume of material was obtained for analysis. The composite was then homogenized by stirring and split for individual analyses. Containers and cleaning procedures were similar to those previously described for water and soil sampling.

Quality Assurance/Quality Control

The chemical analyses, methods, and laboratories used in the investigation are listed in Table 1. Quality of the data set was evaluated through the use of transport, transfer, filter and method blanks; duplicates; replicates; and spiked samples analyses.

Prior to sample collection, all equipment (i.e., spoons, beakers, auger heads and bailers) were precleaned with sequential washes of hot tap water, LiquiNox detergent, ten percent nitric acid,

Table 1: Analytical Methods for CMC Real Estate Site Investigation Othello, WA.

ANALYSIS	METHOD	REFERENCE	LABORATORY
	WA	ATER	
Water Level	Slope Indicator No. 51453	-	Field
Temperature	Precision Thermometer	APHA, 1985	#
pН	Beckman phi-11	II	"
Specific Conductance	Beckman RB-5	H	"
Total Dissolved Solids	Dry @ 180 C (No. 160.1)	EPA, 1983	Ecology/EPA Manchester-Manchester, Wa.
Total Hardness	Titrimetric (No. 130.2)	"	
Total Organic Carbon	Combustion (No. 415.1)	"	" " " "
Metals-Priority Pollutant			
As,Pb,Sb,Se,Th	GFAA	"	Analytical Resources, IncSeattle, Wa.
Ag,Be,Cd,Cr,Cu,Ni,Zn	ICP	"	11 II II II
Hg	CVAA	"	11 II II II II
Volatiles	Purge and Trap GC/MS No. 524	EPA, 1984a	PNEL-Redmond, Wa.
Semivolatiles	GC/MS No. 625	EPA, 1984b	Ecology/EPA Manchester-Manchester, Wa.
	SOIL/SE	DIMENT	
Percent Solids	Dry @ 105 C	APHA, 1985	Analytical Resources, IncSeattle, Wa.
Total Organic Carbon	Combustion CO2 Measurement	Tetra Tech, 1986	<i>n n n n n</i>
Grain Size	Seives and Pipettes	11	Laucks Testing Labs-Seattle, Wa.
Metals-EP Tox			
Ag,As,Ba,Cd,Cr,Pb,Se	ICP	EPA, 1986	Analytical Resources, IncSeattle, Wa.
Hg	CVAA	"	<i>II II II II</i>
Metals-Priority Pollutant			
As,Sb,Se,Th	GFAA	"	11 II II II II
Ag,Be,Cd,Cr,Cu,Ni,Pb,Zn	ICP	11	11 II II II II
Hg	CVAA	11	
Semivolatiles	GC/MS No. 625	EPA, 1984b	Ecology/EPA Manchester-Manchester, Wa.
Organochlorine Pest/PCB	GC/ECD No. 8080	EPA, 1986	
Organophosphorus Pest	GC/NPD No. 8140	"	

distilled/deionized water, pesticide-grade methylene chloride, and pesticide-grade acetone, then air-dried and wrapped in aluminum until being used in the field.

Transfer, transport and filter blanks were collected for ground water sample quality assurance. Transfer blanks were obtained by rinsing teflon bailers with organic freewater and collecting the rinsate in sample bottles. A filter blank for metals analyses was run through the pump and filter bed to ensure field decontamination procedures were adequate. Duplicate and replicate samples were collected for both ground water and soil/sediment samples. Method blanks, matrix spikes, and matrix spike duplicates were run in the laboratory for ground water and soil/sediment samples.

Quality assurance review of metals data was performed by Craig Smith of the Ecology/EPA Manchester Laboratory. Volatile organics results were reviewed by Stuart Magoon, also with the Manchester Laboratory. In general, no major analytical problems were encountered in the analysis of these samples, and consequently the data set is considered acceptable with the following caveats.

Methylene chloride, acetone, and 2-butanone were detected at low levels in the transport and transfer blanks. All detected values for these compounds were less than five times the blank levels and consequently positive results for these compounds are not reported.

Overall precision (sampling + laboratory) calculated from detected values in blind field duplicates for ground water and sediment samples were excellent for most parameters ($\pm 10\%$ for conventionals and metals) with the following exceptions; TOC in the water samples ($\pm 64\%$), and chromium and zinc were $\pm 28\%$ and $\pm 47\%$ respectively. Cadmium was $\pm 50\%$ in the sediment samples. For organochlorine pesticides, precision ranged from $\pm 80\%$ to $\pm 120\%$. Organophosphorus pesticide chlorpyrifos was $\pm 122\%$ in the sediment samples.

Laboratory precision calculated from matrix spike/spike duplicate recoveries for volatile organics were acceptable, and within CLP QC limits. Laboratory precision for semivolatile organics calculated from matrix spike/spike duplicates was excellent for water being within $\pm 10\%$ and poor for sediment which ranged from $\pm 30\%$ to $\pm 180\%$.

Results of analysis of certified reference materials for water (NBS-1643b) and soil/sediments (NBS-2704) are shown in Table 2. Accuracy for most elements in water were excellent, being within $\pm 15\%$. Thallium was the single exception, with a slightly lower precision of $\pm 22\%$. Reference material results for beryllium, cadmium, copper, lead, mercury, nickel, selenium, silver, and zinc in soil/sediments were excellent being within $\pm 10\%$ of the certified range. Results for antimony ($\pm 80\%$), arsenic and chromium ($\pm 30\%$), and thallium ($\pm 40\%$) were all below the certified range, consequently values derived from the analyses of the samples for these metals may underestimate actual environmental levels.

	WATER NBS-1		SOIL/SEDIMENT (mg/kg, dry) NBS-2704			
Element	Certified Range	ARI Result	Certified Range	ARI Result		
Antimony	-	_	3.79+/-0.15	0.8		
Arsenic	_	-	23.4+/-0.8	15		
Beryllium	19+/-2	18	_	_		
Cadmium	20+/-1	19	3.45+/-0.22	3.6		
Chromium	18.6+/-0.4	18	135+/-5	87.9		
Copper	21.9+/-0.4	22	98.6+/-5	91.3		
Lead	23.7+/-0.7	20	161+/-17	153		
Mercury	-	-	1.44+/-0.07	1.53		
Nickel	49+/-3	40	44.1+/-3	37		
Selenium	9.7+/-0.5	9	_	-		
Silver	9.8+/-0.8	9	_	-		
Thallium	8+/-0.2	10	1.2+/-0.2	0.6u		
Zinc	66+/-2	68	438+/-12	400		

Table 2: Result of analysis of certified reference materials for water and soil/sediment.

NBS-1643b = Trace Elements in Water - National Bureau of Standards

NBS- NBS-2704 = Buffalo River Sediment - National Bureau of Standards

u = N u = Not detected at detection limit shown

- =No - =Not analyzed

RESULTS/DISCUSSION

Ground Water

Results of conventionals, metals and organics analyses of ground water samples are summarized in Table 3. Water level measurements were recorded prior to sampling. Data collected indicates that the ground water flow is generally to the west. As observed, the water level of ODH-1 was approximately 15 feet higher than the rest of the monitoring wells. The high water level in Well ODH-1 may be attributed to leakage from Potholes East Canal. The relationship of Well ODH-1 to the rest of the monitoring wells is unclear and could not be determined due to insufficient data.

Results of conventional analysis of ground water samples can be summarized as follows: pH ranged from 7.1-7.6, specific conductivity ranged from 325-550 umhos/cm, total dissolved solids concentrations were 203-338 mg/L, hardness concentrations ranged from 132-206 mg/L, while TOC values were in the range of 2.2-5.8 mg/L. The highest values for all these parameters were measured in Well ODH-5, with the exception of hardness which was highest in ODH-3. Based on comparisons with ground water quality data from the Agricultural Chemicals Pilot Study (Erickson and Norton, 1990), these values appear to be typical of those measured in other counties (Yakima and Franklin) in Eastern Washington.

Results of the metal analyses indicate that most metals are low or near the detection limit in the wells sampled. Of the priority pollutant metals measured, only arsenic, chromium, copper, lead and zinc were present above detection limits. Arsenic and zinc were found in all the wells at concentrations of 1-7 μ g/L and 6-2400 μ g/L respectively. High levels of zinc (2400 μ g/L) measured in monitoring Well ODH-4 are attributed to the galvanized casing. This is the only well with a galvanized casing.

Based on mean percentages, arsenic was present primarily in the dissolved form, while chromium, copper and lead were primarily associated with particulates. Zinc was present primarly in the dissolved form in approximately half of the samples tested.

None of the priority pollutant volatile or semivolatile organic compounds were present above the detection limits shown in Table 3 in any of the ground water samples. Several semivolatile compounds were tentatively identified including 6-aminohexanoic acid (0.9jn μ g/L) in Well ODH-2, benzothiazole (0.7jn μ g/L) in Well ODH-5 and bis-hexanedioic acid (0.8j μ g/L) and 2-(2-butoxyethoxy) ethanol (0.1jn μ g/L) in Well ODH-1. Benzothiazole is used in organic synthesis (Windholz, 1983) and bis-hexanedioic acid in the preparation of esters for use as plasticizers and lubricants (Sax and Lewis, 1987).

Table 4 compares ground water results from investigations conducted by Hydrometrics in 1988 and Ecology in 1988 to data from the present study. Ground water data were similar between these studies with the exception of high metal concentrations measured in the 1988 Ecology investigation. The apparent discrepancy between metals concentrations in Ecology's 1988 survey

Location	Ι		ODH-1			ODH	-2	ODH	-3	ODH	-4	ODH	-5	ODH	-6
Sample No. 29–	8230	8231	8242*	8243**	8244	8232	8233	8234	8235	8236	8237	8238	8239	8240	8241
Time	1000	_	-	1520	-	1315	-	1400	-	1200	-	1445	-	1100	_
Туре	т	D	т	т	D	т	D	Т	D	т	D	Т	D	т	D
Water Level+ (ft)	16.5	~	-	-	-	3.73	-	1.23	<u>н</u>	6,5	-	14.35	-	13.7	-
Temperature (C)	19.5	-		19.1	-	17.3	-	16.8	-	16.4	-	14.7	-	15.5	-
pH (s.u.)	7.4	-	-	7.1	-	7.4		7.2	-	7.6	-	7.7	-	7.6	-
Spec. Cond. (umhos/cm)	325	-	-	340	-	400	-	490	-	340	-	550	-	380	-
Total Dissolved Solids (mg/i)	203	-	205	211	-	274	-	335	-	237	-	338	-	261	-
Total Hardness (mg/l)	133	-	137	132	-	176	-	206	-	158	-	177	-	173	-
Total Organic Carbon (mg/l)	2.2	-	4.3	4.9	-	3.5	, -	4.1	-	3.4	-	5.8	-	5.1	-
Metals															
Antimony	5u	5u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	5u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u
Arsenic	1	1	1	1	3	6	3	5	5	4	3	7	5	5	2
Beryllium	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u
Cadmium	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u	2u
Chromium	6	5u	8	6	5u	30	5u	5u	6	5u	5u	5u	5u	5u	5u
Copper	2u	2	3	2u	2u	4	2u	2u	2	2u	9	18	6	5	4
Lead	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	2	1u	1u	1u	7	1	2	1u	1	1
Mercury	0.1u	-	0.1u	0.1u	-	0.1u	-	0.1u	-	0.1u	-	0.1u	-	0.1u	-
Nickel	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u	10u
Selenium	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u
Silver	3u	3u	3u	Зu	3u	Зu	3u	Зu	3u	Зu	3u	Зu	3u	3u	3u
Thallium	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u	1u
Zinc	13	21	21	27	8	12	4u	4u	7	2400+	230+	13	6	17	19
Volatiles	1u-2u	-	1u-2u	1u-2u	-	1u-2u	-	1u-2u	-	1u2u	-	1u-2u	-	1u–2u	-
Semivolatiles	0.4u-2u	-	0.4u-2u	0.4u-2u	_	0.4u–2u	-	0.4u-2u	-	0.4u-2u	-	0.4u-2u	-	0.4u–2u	-
Tentatively Identified															
6-Aminohexanoic Acid	ND	-	ND	ND	-	0.9jn	-	ND	-	ND	-	ND	-	ND	-
Bis-Hexanedioic Acid	ND	-	ND	0.8j	-	ND	-	ND	-	ND	-	ND	-	ND	-
2–(2–Butoxyethoxy) ethanol	ND	-	ND	0.1jn	-	ND	_	ND	-	ND		ND		ND	-
Benzothiazole	ND	-	ND	ND	-	ND	-	ND	_	ND	_	0.7jn	_	ND	_

Table 3: Summary of results of analysis of monitoring well samples collected by Ecology July 18, 1989 from the CMC Real Estate waste disposal site Othello, Wa. (ug/l unless otherwise specified).

T = Whole water-unfiltered D = Dissolved fraction-filtered thru

0.45um polycarbonate filter

* = Duplicate of 8242

** = Replicate

+ = Depth from top of casing

- = Not analyzed

u = Not detected at detection limit shown

ND = Not detected at unspecified detection limit

j = Estimated concentration

n = Presumptive evidence of material

+ = Elevated values attributed to galvanized well casing

		ODH	_1			ODH	-2			ODH	I-3			OD	H-4			ODH	-5			ODH	-6	
	HYDR 1988	Ecology 1988	Ecol 19	~ .	HYDR 1988	Ecology 1988	Ecol 198	•,	HYDR 1988	Ecology 1988	Ecol 19		HYDR 1988	Ecology 1988	Ecol 19		HYDR 1988	Ecology 1988	Ecol 19		HYDR 1988	Ecology 1988	Ecol 19	
	D	Т	Т	D	D	Т	Т	D	D	Т	Т	D	D	Т	Т	D	D	Т	т	D	D	Т	Т	D
Metals																								
Arsenic	ND	13	2	1	ND	15	6	3	6	8	5	5	ND	13	4	3	ND	12	7	5	ND	6	5	2
Berylium	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	3	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	2	ND	ND	ND	7	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Chromium	ND	1500	7	ND	ND	39	30	ND	ND	13	ND	6	ND	10	ND	ND	ND	97	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Copper	ND	53	3	2	ND	94	4	ND	ND	48	ND	2	ND	26	ND	9	ND	180	18	6	ND	27	5	4
Cyanide	20	ND	-	-	ND	ND	-	-	ND	ND	-	-	ND	ND	-	-	ND	ND	-	-	ND	ND	-	-
Lead	10	13	ND	ND	ND	27	2	ND	ND	11	ND	ND	ND	20	7	1	ND	55	2	ND	ND	ND	1	1
Mercury	ND	ND	-	-	ND	0.09	ND	-	ND	ND	ND	-	ND	ND	ND	-	ND	0.09	ND	-	ND	ND	ND	-
Nickel	ND	180	ND	ND	ND	33	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Selenium	ND	1	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Silver	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	0.45	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
Thallium	ND	2	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	1	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	2	ND	ND	ND	1	ND	ND
Zinc	ND	160	20	15	ND	180	12	ND	ND	90	ND	7	ND	1300	2400	230	ND	310	13	6	ND	70	17	19
Semivolatiles																								
bis(2–Ethylhexyl	ND	ND	ND		ND	ND	ND		ND	ND	ND		ND	ND	ND		ND	34	ND		ND	ND	ND	
phthalate																								
Total Petroleum	ND	-	_	-	0.6	-	_	_	ND	_	_	-	ND	_	-	-	0.11	_	_	_	ND	-	_	_
Hydrocarbons (mg/l)																								

Table 4: Comparison of analysis of ground water samples collected by Hydrometrics and Ecology from the CMC Real Estate waste disposal site Othello, Wa. (ug/l unless otherwise specified)

T = Whole water-unfiltered

Hydrometrics 1989 - Phase II Characterization of a Waste Disposal Area at Othello, Wa.

D = Dissolved fraction-filtered thru

Ecology 1988 - Results of Analysis of Ground Water Samples Collected November 15, 1988

ND = Not Detected

Ecology 1989 – Present Study

- = Not Analyzed

and the other two investigations can probably be attributed to the presence of solids in Ecology's 1988 samples (these samples were not field-filtered and were reported to be very turbid). This statement is supported by dissolved metals results from the other two investigations where metals concentrations were low.

Total xylene (6.0 μ g/L) was detected in the Hydrometrics sample of Well ODH-1. The detection of xylene in this sample was attributed to field and/or laboratory decontamination procedures. During Ecology's 1988 investigation bis(2-Ethylhexyl)Phthalate was detected in Well ODH-5 (34 μ g/L). Total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) were detected in Wells ODH-2 (0.6 mg/L) and ODH-5 (0.11 mg/L) during Hydrometrics 1988 investigation. However, when Hydrometrics resampled these wells in November 1988 the TPH results were below the detection limit.

Results from the investigations conducted on this site indicate that ground water does not appear to be contaminated for the parameters tested. Reported contaminant levels were low and substantially below drinking water levels established for metals and volatile organic (DSHS, 1983 and EPA, 1990).

Soil

Table 5 shows the results of conventionals and metals analysis of soil/sediment samples collected during this investigation. Based on visual observations, soil at the site consisted of silty sand with some underlying areas of sandy silt (soil logs have been included as Appendix B). Percent solids ranged from 40-94.2 in soil cores collected near the monitoring wells, while TOC concentrations ranged from 0.3-7.0 percent.

Soil cores were analyzed for EP Tox metals. The only EP Tox metal identified in the soil cores at detectable levels was barium which ranged from 90-460 μ g/L. These levels were below the EP Tox criteria as defined in the Dangerous Waste Regulations, WAC 173-303-090.

Results of semivolatile organics and pesticides analysis of soil cores are summarized in Table 6. Semivolatile organic compounds, acenaphthene (60j μ g/kg) and 1-methyl naphthalene (200 μ g/kg) were detected in soil cores by monitoring Well ODH-5. Semivolatile organics were not detected in any of the remaining soil samples. PCB-1260 was detected near Well ODH-5 at a concentration of 90 μ g/kg. Organochlorine pesticides were not detected in the remaining soil samples.

Tentatively identified semivolatile compounds included 3,2-cyclohexenone (100jn μ g/kg) and an unknown chlorinated compound (80jnb μ g/kg) in soil near ODH-6. Concentrations of an unknown hydrocarbon were detected in all three soil samples tested at levels ranging from 2000jn to 200,000jn μ g/kg. The highest concentration was present in soil near ODH-5.

Volatile organics, semi-volatile organics and metals were not detected in soils during previous investigations at the site. However, elevated concentrations of TPH were found in soil samples

		SC		SEDIMENT			
Location	ODH-1	ODH-2	ODH-5	ODH-6	M	S-1	
Sample No. 29-	8248	8251	8249	8250	8252	8253 (dup)	
Depth (ft)	0-4	0-2.9	0-4	0-4	0-0.07	0-0.07	
Solid (%)	79	_	94.2	40.0	52.5	48.5	
Total Organic Carbon (%)	0.4	-	0.3	7	3	-	
Grain Size (%)							
Gravel (>2mm)	_	-	-	-	4	4	
Sand (2mm–62um)	-	-	-	_	42.9	52.7	
Silt (62um-4um)	-	-	-		45.8	36.2	
Clay (<4um)	-	-	-	-	7.3	7.1	
Metal-EP Tox (ug/l)							
Arsenic	50u	50u	50u	50u	-	-	
Barium	260	460	140	90	-	-	
Cadmium	2u	2u	2u	2u	-	-	
Chromium	5u	5u	5u	5u	-	-	
Lead	30u	30u	30u	30u	-		
Mercury	0.1u	0.1u	0.1u	0.1u	-		
Selenium	50u	50u	50u	50u	-	-	
Silver	Зu	3и	3u	3u	-		
Metals-PP (mg/kg, dry)							
Antimony	_	-	-	-	0.1u	0.2u	
Arsenic	-	-	-	-	1.7	1.9	
Beryllium	-	-	-	-	0.3	0.4	
Cadmium		-	-	-	0.3u	0.5	
Chromium	-	-		-	13	14	
Copper	-	-	~		24	23	
Lead	-		-	-	16	16	
Mercury	-	-	-	-	0.07u	0.09u	
Nickel	-	-	-	-	14	13	
Selenium	-	-	-	-	0.8u	0.9u	
Silver	-	-	-	-	0.5u	0.6u	
Thallium	-	-	-	-	0.2u	0.20	
Zinc	_	-	-	-	45	47	

Table 5: Summary of conventionals and metals analysis of soil cores and marsh sedimentscollected July 17, 1989 from CMC Real Estate waste disposal site Othello, WA.

u = Not detected at detection limit shown

- = Not analyzed

EP Tox = Extraction Procedure Toxicity Test

PP = Priority pollutant metals

		SOIL		SEDI	MENT	
Location	ODH-1	ODH-5	ODH-6	MS-1		
Sample No. 29–	8248	8249	8250	8252	8253 (dup)	
Semivolatiles						
Acenaphthene	150u	60j	250u	950u	460u	
1-methyl napthalene	150u	200	250u	950u	460u	
Isophrone	150u	130u	250u	70j	460u	
Organochlorine Pest/PCB						
4,4' DDT	-	-		8	2 j	
o,p' DDD	_	_	-	79	30	
4,4' DDD	_	_	-	260	100	
4,4' DDE	_	_	-	63	20	
Total DDT	_	_		410	150	
PCB 1260	20u	90	20u	7j	20u	
Organophosphorus Pest						
Chlorpyrifos	_	-	_	300	70	
Tentatively Identified						
3,2 Cyclohexenone	100jn	ND	100jn	3000jn	1000jn	
14-pentadecanoic acid	ND	ND	ND	ND	700jn	
Unidentified hydrocarbon	3000jn	200000jn	2000jn	900000jn	30000jn	
Unidentified chlorinated	ND	ND	80jnb	ND	ND	
Unidentified cholestane	ND	ND	ND	700000j	20000jn	

Table 6: Summary of organics analysis of soil cores collected by Ecology July 17, 1989 fromCMC Real Estate Waste Disposal Site Othello, WA. (ug/kg, dry weight)

u = Not detected at detection limit shown

b = Also detected in blank at low levels relative to sampleND = Not detected at unspecified detection limit

j = Estimated concentration n = Presumptive evidence of compound

– = Not analyzed

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collected at or near ground surface at five of the six monitoring well sites (Hydrometrics, 1989). Concentrations ranged from 2.2-2300 mg/kg. Samples collected near wells ODH-1 and ODH-6 recorded the highest concentrations of 1400 and 2300 mg/kg, respectively. These locations correspond to the highest levels of unidentified hydrocarbons detected in Ecology's 1989 investigation. Soil samples from both investigations were collected at the ends of historical pipelines used to discharge wastewater from the railroad facility. The presence of elevated hydrocarbon levels in soils at these locations apparently is not impacting ground water quality since no hydrocarbons were detected in corresponding monitoring well samples.

In general, contaminant levels measured in soil samples during all investigations at the CMC site were low, with the exception of TPHs found during Hydrometrics' 1988 survey exceeded the recommended cleanup level of 200 ppm in the Model Toxics Control Act, WAC 173-340-740.

Sediments

Percent solids ranged from 48.5-52.5 in the sediment samples collected from the marsh. The TOC concentration was 3.0 percent. Grain size analysis indicates that the sediments collected were primarily sandy silt.

Mean concentrations of priority pollutant metals (total metals) in marsh sediments, shown in Table 5, were as follows: arsenic (1.8 mg/kg), beryllium (0.4 mg/kg), cadmium (0.4 mg/kg), chromium (14 mg/kg), copper (24 mg/kg), lead (16 mg/kg), nickel (14 mg/kg), and zinc (46 mg/kg). For perspective, metals concentrations in the marsh sediments appear to fall in the range of concentrations typically reported in soils from the Western United States (Ebens and Shacklette, 1982).

Isophrone (70j μ g/kg) was the only target semivolatile organic compound detected in marsh sediments during the present study.

Mean concentrations of organochlorine pesticides found in the marsh sediments were as follows: 4,4'-DDT (5 μ g/kg); o,p'-DDD (57 μ g/kg); 4,4'-DDD (185 μ g/kg); and 4,4'-DDE (44 μ g/kg). DDD (Rhothane) was widely used to control various pests including mosquitos (Matsumura, 1985). Records indicate that the marsh area regularly receives applications of pesticides at approximately two week intervals during the insect season to control mosquitos. (Adams County - Mosquito Control Taxing District, 1987). PCB 1260 was found only in one sample of a duplicate set at a concentration of 7j μ g/kg.

Organophosphorus pesticides, chlorpyrifos (Dursban), was measured in the marsh sediment at a mean concentration of 180 μ g/kg. Chlorpyrifos is an insecticide commonly used for mosquito control. It has an LD₅₀ of 135 mg/kg based on rat oral tests (Thomson, 1989). Mean concentrations of tentatively identified semivolatile compounds found in sediment samples were 3,2-cyclohexenone (2000jn μ g/kg), 14-pentadecanoic acid (700jn μ g/kg), unidentified hydrocarbon (4,500,000jn μ g/kg), and unidentified cholestane (3,500,000j μ g/kg). The high levels of hydrocarbons present in the marsh sediments could be related to the use of oil carriers for insecticide spraying. Marsh sediments were not collected during either of the previous investigations.

SUMMARY

Results of the 1989 Ecology investigation can be summarized as follows:

- Contaminant levels in ground water were low and appear to confirm previous sampling at the site. During this investigation, samples were collected and analyzed for both total metals and dissolved metals. Results from both analyses are substantially below drinking water standards established for metals.
- Contaminant levels found in soil samples collected during all investigations were low, with the exception of TPHs during Hydrometric, 1988 survey which were found to exceed the recommended cleanup level of 200 ppm.
- Contaminants of concern in the marsh sediments include: chlorpyrifos (135 μ g/kg), and DDT and its analogues DDD and DDE.
- Marsh sediments appear to be impacted by applications of pesticides to control mosquitos.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on the findings of this investigation, the following recommendations are made:

- Soils contaminated with TPHs should be removed to the recommended cleanup level of 200 ppm.
- Alternative methods should be explored for controlling mosquitos in the marsh area including, but not limited to, the use of less persistent insecticides.

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HYDROMETRICS	<u>∕</u> <u></u>					HELENA, MONTANA
PROJECT	THELLO			JOG NUMBER	I	HOLE NUMBER ODH-1
STATE Washington	COUNTY Adams	LOCA	TION	T_15NR_29F	. SEC4	TRACT NUL NEL
		C+ 1	andard	Ly ELEVATION G.S		
•		метнор Ац	r Rot	Ary DRILLER Bill 2 Inch Pi	VC Schedule 4	10 Blank
				DESCRIPTION _2_Inch_St	tainless Stee	1 20 Slot Screen (10ft.
					Sand pack are ite and ceme	ound screen with benton- ent above.
Surface		- 4.0 ft.,	EPA	8240, 8270, TPH, 1310		
Water ta) - 27.0 ft.	EPA	8240. 8270. TPH. 1310		
*Additional_s	ample: 9.0 -11	.0_ft_and_1	4.0-1	6.0 ft _ EPA 8240, 8270,	<u>, TPH, 1310 (</u>	<u>(00H-1A)</u>
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0 +	2.0-4.0 ft. 8240 8270 TPH 1310 5 - ft. 8240 8270 9.0-11.0 ft.* 8240 8270 TPH 1310 26.0-28.0 8240 ft. 8240 Ft. 8240 1310	Pushed 1	100	Strong diesel odor, visual contamination to 6.5 ft. Diesel odor still present. *An additional borehol was drilled to sample 9.0 - 11.0 ft. and 14.0 - 16.0 ft. missed in this bore hole. This bore hole, ODH-1A was 3-4 ft. east of ODH-1, drilled to 16 ft. and plugged/aban- doned after the soil sample was removed.	ft. 2.0 - 6.5 ft. 6.5 - 15.0	COVER - Organic rich with roots, blackish streaks in core, diesel smell, obvious contamination, 90% silt, with 5% fine sand and clay below soil. BROWN TO TAN CLAY - Rich silts of fine sand, highly com- pactible, more clayer than from 2.0 - 6.5 feet.

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HYDROW	ETRICS	<u> </u>				HELENA, MONTANA
PROJECT	CMC - OTHELLO				JOB NUMBE	A HOLE NUMBER DDH-2
STATE <u>Hashin</u>	Igton COUNT	r <u>Adams</u>	LOC	ATION	T_15NR_29E	SEC. 4 TRACT NUL NEL
			S	tandar	d	969.1 (mp) DATE 10/6/88
					2 Inch S	DRILLING COMPANY & L chedule 40 PVC Blank
TOTAL DEPTH.						Sand pack around screen with
TOTAL DEPTH					OMPLETION DESCRIPTION	bentonite and concrete above.
We No NO	t sample, 6.5 unsaturated surface samp	<u>- 8.5 ft</u> ample was e was tal	FPA 831 s taken si ken since	0, TPH nce th f111 d	1 1310 He wet is above the grou	nd surface (i.e., swamp) and uild the road to this site
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DEPTH GRAMIKCAL LOG	WELL COMPLE TION	SAMPLE TYPE			NOTES ON: WATER LEVELS DRILLING FLUID DRILLING RATE WELL COMPLETION	DESCRIPTION AND CLASSIFICATION
	6.5-8. ft.	5 8310 TPH 1310	Pushed	50	Expected to hit water at swamp water level (4 ft.), moist at best at this level. 1.5 ft. water level above bottom of fill:and swamp level: - semi-confined? - confined? No Bunker C noted Water first encoun- tered during drilling. Hard drilling at 8 - 8.5 ft.	 ft. Silty sand matrix with caliche gravel size clasts to 6 inct in size (±5%), fine to medium grained, moderate to poorly sorted, subrounded, 90% fine to medium sand with 5 - 10% fines (clay, etc.). 4.0 - 14.0 GRAYISH GREEN SAND -

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TOTAL	. DEPTH	CASED	11.7	Feet		VELL C	5 OMPLETION DESCRIPTION	and pack around screen and bentor te and cement above.
REMAP	IXS T	<u>he falla</u>	wing soil	sample	es were ta	ken:	EPA 8240, 8270, TP	4 1210
	N	o surfa	ce samp	le was	<u>s taken</u>	since	the site is covered	<u>d with 2,5 ft, of fill</u>
	and the second se							
DEPTH	BRAPHICAL LOG	WELL COMPLETION	BAMPLE	SAMPLE TYPE TIME /DATE			NOTES ON: WATER LEVELS DRILLING FLUID DRILLING RATE WELL COMPLETION	DESCRIPTION AND CLASSIFICATION
0 - - - 5 -		Σŭ	2.5-4.5 ft.		Pushed	100	Fill brought in to build road to this site over swamp.	0 - 2.5 TAN SURFACE/ROAD FILL ft. Mostly silty sand with trace (5%) gravel chur sandstone and caliche composition, matrix is 80-90% sand with 5% fi (silt and clay), liner for road is a 1.5 foot subangular grains, mod erately well sorted, gravels range from 1/2 inch to 6 inches.
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	╶╸╎╸╸╸╸╎╸╸╸							7.5 - 12.0 DARK MEDIUM GRAINED SA ft. With large boulders an cobbles, very dark, probably basalt in com tion, some sandstone b noted, very angular (du to rig grinding up bou similar to sand descrip tion from 2.5 to 7.5 feet but contains bould and cobbles from 7.5 fo down.

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TOTAL DEPTH	19	Feet		CASING 1	TYPE A		alvanized Blank Lainless Steel 20 Slot Screen (10ft.
TOTAL DEPTI	I CASED	18.	25 Feel	 ₩			Natural sand pack around screen with bentonite above and grout to surface.
REMARKS	ofl samp urface s	ample 0 -	<u>lows:</u> 2 ft.,	EPA 8240	827	0. TPH. 1310	
U	nsaturat	ed sample	5 - 7	ft., EPA	8270		
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0		0-2 ft.	8240 8270 TPH 1310	Pushed .	100	No Bunker C. found	0 - 5.0 LIGHT TAN SILTY SAND ft. SOIL COVER - Dry, grades to a greenish brown, moist, organic rich, silty sand,
5 +		5-7 ft.	8270	Pushed	100	No Bunker C found (Photo 12 CMC)	±2 ft., medium to fine grained with caliche gravel bits, fair to moderate sorting, Fe staining, 50-60% sand, 40-50% silt, 2% clay(?),
		13-15 ft	8240 8270 TPH 1310	Pushed	25	Hit water around 12-13 feet. Sand heaving, hard to complete well. Used natural pack to complete well. *Hydraulic line busted during well completion. Possible hydraulic fluid in well: dropped in well around ±9 ft., on top of well pack above the water table.	12.0 - 19.0 BROWN SAND - With some ft. blackish gravel, a few
						aborta the water table.	staining, quartz rich sam and basalt gravel clasts, more sandy at 15 ft., 95% medium grained, well sorted, subangular grains.

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							_ SEC TRACT
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				•		2 Inch	DRILLING COMPANY <u>L & L</u> PVC Schedule 40 Blank
							Stainless Steel 20 Slot Screen (10 ft. Sand pack at screen with bentonite
					ELL CO	MPLETION DESCRIPTION	and concrete above.
REMARKS	Surfac	e sample () - 1 f	<u>'t., EPA E</u>	240. 8	3270, TPH, 1310	
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DEPTH GRAMIICAL LOG	WELL COMPLETION	SAMPLE	SAMPLE TYPE THE /INTE			NOTES ON: WATER LEVELS DRILLING FLUID DRILLING RATE WELL COMPLETION	DESCRIPTION AND CLASSIFICATION
	Σŭ	₩ 0-1.0 ft	i	Pushed .	100	Bunker C .5-1.0 ft.	0 - 5.0 TAN SILTY SAND - Organic ft. rich, dry soil cover, well to fair sorting, fine grained, 60% sand, quartz rich, 40% silt,
5		5.0-6.0 ft.	8240 8270	Pushed	70	(CMC Photo 9)	bunker just below land surface, same silty sand below Bunker C deposit, more sandy with depth.
						Harder drilling.	5.0-15.0 CONTINUED FINE SAND AND ft. SILT - A bit more sandy, very weakly cemented, hardpan at 6 ft. a few inches thick, lots of caliche, 70% fine sand
		15.0-16.0 ft.	8240 8270 TPH 1310	Pushed	60	Smooth drilling.	with trace to some medium grained, 25% silt, rest gravels and clay, harder drilling at12 ft.; more sandy with gravel 1/4 is. to 1/2 in. size, dry.
							15.0-22.0 BROWN SAND - With trace ft. to some silt, wet, medium grained, fairly well sorted, subangular to subround, trace to some peagravel, quartz rich, with some feldspar and trace mafics, hard- pan at 17 ft., blackish gravels (basalt), coarse with depth, last few feet very coarse.

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STATE	Washir	ngton	COUNTY	dams	LOC	ATION	T_15N_ R_29E_	SEC. 4 TRACT NHE NEE
					51	andar	d	980.15 (mp) DATE 10/5/88
	DED BY.	_			NETHOD AI	r Rot	ary DRILLER Larry 2 Inch P	DRILLING COMPANY L&L VC Schedule 40 Blank tainless Steel 20 Slot Screen (10ft.
TOTA	L DEPTH	CASED						Sand pack around screen and bentonite and concrete above.
REMA	AKS	Surfa	ace sample	0 - 2	ft. EPA	<u>8240.</u>	<u>8270, TPH, 1310</u>	
							240, 8270 8240, 8270, TPH, 1310	
DEPTH	GRAMIICAL LOG	WELL COMPLETION	SAMPLE	SAMPLE TYPE THE /DATE			NOTES ON: WATER LEVELS DRILLING FLUID DRILLING RATE WELL COMPLETION	DESCRIPTION AND CLASSIFICATION
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10 15 20	╸╸┤╸╸╸╸┥╹╸╸╸╹╵╸╸╸╹╹╹╹╹╹╹╹╹╹╹		18.0-20.0 ft.	8240 8270 TPH 1310	Hard- had to air ham mer a bit.	100	A bit more difficult to drill.	 5.5 - 18.0 CONTINUED TAN SILTY ft. SAND - With 2 inch thick Bunker C deposit at 6.0 ft., lots of caliche bits (fizzes with water application), greater sand content with depth Equal to 80 - 90%, 10% fines and gravel sai bits 1/2 inch to 1 inch size. 18.0 - 22.0 BROWN SAND - Grades ft. to a blackish hardpan (basalt with sandstone and caleche), gravels in hardpan are 1/4 inch to 1 inch size, poorly sort approximately 20 ft., quar rich sand with some fela spar, subangular, trace fines, more gravel with depth, 1 inch to 1.5 inch size, very angular lots of water, subrounder at 22 ft. 22.0 - 22.5 GREEN GRAVELLY CLAY AND
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Appendix B

Station	Depth	Description
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ODH-1	0.0-1.0	Sandy material, brown
	1.0-2.0	Silty sand, slightly moist. Gray material at 1.7 feet. Slight petroleum odor.
	2.0-3.0	Silty sand, gray material, fine grain. Strong petroleum odor.
	3.0-4.0	Gray material, petroleum odor.
ODH-5	0.0-1.0	Silty sand, brown, fine.
	1.0-2.0	Silty sand, brown, fine.
	2.0-3.0	Sandy silt, brown, fine.
	3.0-4.0	Sandy silt, brown, fine.
ODH-6	0.0-1.0	Silty material, brown, fine.
	1.0-2.0	Silty material, brown, fine.
	2.0-3.0	Silty sand material, brown, fine.
	3.0-4.0	Silty sand material, brown, fine.
ODH-2	0.0-0.5	Silty sand, dark brown, moist.
	0.5-1.0	Silt, dark gray, saturated
	1.0-2.0	Clayey silt, dark gray, saturated.
	2.0-2.9	Silty sand, dark to light gray, saturated.

CMC Waste Disposal Site SOIL LOGS

Soil Logs for Cores Collected by Ecology in 1989 from the CMC Waste Disposal Site.