

Technical Guidance Training: *Characterization of Contaminated Ground Water Discharge to Surface Water*

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Water skiing can be a drag

TrueFalse





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NJDEP TECHNICAL GUIDANCE UPDATE

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Presentation for: Technical Guidance Document Training: Characterization of Contaminated Ground Water to Surface Water Tuesday, February 23, 2016





Technical Guidance

- 23 documents completed
- 6 currently in development
- Technical Guidance Available at http://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance



ROUND 1 Technical Guidance Committees

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3	Compliance - Attainment	4/4/2012	5/16/2012	9/24/2012		11/27/12
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12	Linear Construction	10/20/2011	12/1/2011	1/27/2012		1/30/12			
13	Monitored Natural Attenuation	5/25/2011	7/6/2011	3/1/2012		3/6/12			
14	Preliminary Asssessment	4/4/2011	5/16/2011	1/30/2012	ver 1.1 4/19/2013	2/29/12			
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16	Receptor Evaluation	10/25/2010	11/9/2010	1/12/2011		6/2011			
17	Soil SI/RI/RA	4/12/2011	5/24/2011	2/21/2012	ver 1.1 8/1/2012	5/4/12			
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19	Vapor Intrusion	5/12/2011	6/23/2011	1/13/2012	ver 3.1 3/6/2013	2/13/12			

Round II Technical Guidance Committees (February 2016)

	Committee Start	Draft Issued Comment Period Start	Comment Period End	Final Doc posted	Training Date
Capping	Sept. 2012	3/11/2014	4/22/2014	7/14/2014	11/20/2014
Off-Site Source	Sept. 2012	9/17/2014	10/29/2014	4/28/2015	6/2/2015
Child Care Centers	April 2013	6/17/2015	7/29/2015		
GW Discharge to SW	Sept. 2012	6/9/2015	7/21/2015	1/19/16	2/23/16
Pesticides	Sept. 2012	7/16/2014	8/27/2014	12/2015	3/3/16
Catastrophic Events	Jan. 2014	12/29/15	2/09/16		
Commingled Plume	Sept. 2012	Est. Mar 2016			
Performance Monitoring	Sept. 2012	Est. Apr 2016			

EPH Protocol	August 2015	Est. Mar-Dec 2016		
ARS Ingestion-Dermal	August 2015	Est. Mar-Dec 2016		



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On-Going Tech Guidance Updates

(To Support Remediation Standards)

- Vapor Intrusion Technical Guidance
- Impact to Ground Water (IGW) Documents:
 - Synthetic Precipitation Leaching Procedure (SPLP) Guidance
 Document.
 - SESOIL guidance
 - Soil-Water Partition Equation guidance document
 - SESOIL/AT123D guidance

Can be found on the Soil Remediation Standards Webpage: http://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance/rs/





Other Tech Guidance Updates:

- ECO Guidance: (Version 1.3, issued 2/2015)
- Fill Guidance: (Version 3.0, issued 4/2015)
- Landfills Guidance: (Version 1.2, issued 9/2015)
- Soils SI/RI/RA: (Version 1.2 issued 3/2015)
- Preliminary Assessment Guidance (version 1.2 issued 10/2015)





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February 23, 2016



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36 Continuing Education Credits (CECs) over 3 year LSRP license renewal period:

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- 3 CECs Ethics
- 10 CECs Regulatory
- 14 CECs Technical
 - 9 CECs Discretionary

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Proposed Rules LSRP Continuing Ed. NJAC 7:26I Subchapter 4

Continuing Education "PROGRAMS":

1 CEC = 1 hour of instruction at universities, colleges, DEP, LSRPA and other organizations

Includes "Alternative Verifiable Learning Formats" (AVLF)

Webinars - Exam required

No more than 18 CECs allowed for AVLFs / 3-year cycle

Continuing Education "<u>ACTIVITIES</u>": Applications for each activity

Teaching a course Preparing and giving presentations Presenting a paper

"Activities" limited to 18 CECs / 3 year renewal cycle

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UPCOMING LSRPA EVENTS



February 25 - Dinner Meeting – Borehole Geophysics East Windsor (1Tech. CEC)

March 1 and 2 – Principles QA/QC for Env. Field Programs, Warren NJ (13 Tech. CECs)

March 8 – LSRP Ethics Class Montclair State U.

(3 Ethics CECs)

March 15 – Member Breakfast, Livingston

March 31 – Child Care Regulatory Training, Livingston

(4 Reg. CECs)

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May 18 – Remedial Action Permit Training, Bordentown

(3.5 Reg. CECs)

Visit LSRPA.org for details and registration



Thank You



Clarification - Investigating Impacts to Surface Water

November 25, 2016 DEP Listserv

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Why we do training...

Provide remediation parties and LSRPs:

- New technical or administrative information
- Perquisite regulatory training for the LSRP exam
- Clarification of existing guidance or regulatory requirements
- When, DEP is seeing "issues" with submitted remedial phase documents and RAOs





What is DEP's Process?

- BCAIN administratively complete
- Bureau of Inspection and Review
 - Inspect all key document submission and RAOs for potential (more detailed) review
 - Review may be done by BIR reviewers, geologists and technical coordinators
- When submittals are not in compliance with rules or guidance...
 - Given the chance to address noncompliance, or
 - Withdraw one or more of submitted key documents



"Remedial investigation" means a process to determine the nature and extent of a discharge of a contaminant at a site or a discharge of a contaminant that has migrated or is migrating from the site and the problems presented by a discharge, and may include data collected, site characterization, sampling, monitoring, and the gathering of any other sufficient and relevant information necessary to determine the necessity for remedial action.

Technical Requirements for the Remediation of Contaminated Sites – N.J.A.C. 7:26E-1.8



RI Regulatory Timeframes N.J.A.C. 7:26E-4.10 Sites with requirement to remediate after March 2, 2010

Soil contamination only: 1 years for PA/SI 3 years for RI = 4 years from trigger date Soil and/or other media: 1 years for PA/SI 5 years for RI = 6 years from trigger date





Statutory Deadline for RI Completion

For all discharges/contaminated areas of concern at the site where the contamination was identified on or before May 7, 1999

SRRA (N.J.S.A. 58:10C-27.1)

Allowed an additional 2 years to complete the RI of a site that was subject to the May 2014 deadline to **May 7, 2016** (if seven criteria were met)





Statutory Deadline for RI Completion

There will be no further extensions on the requirement to complete the RI by May 7, 2016.





Responsibilities of the Person Responsibility for Conducting Remediation

N.J.A.C. 7:26E-1.5(a)

LSRP Code of Conduct

The person responsible for conducting the remediation shall conduct remediation pursuant to this chapter (Tech Rules) and N.J.A.C 7:26C-1.2 An LSRP's highest priority in the performance of professional services shall be the protection of public health and safety and the environment.



Investigating Impacts from Contaminated Sites to Surface Water Listserv

- Purpose
- Key Concepts
- Decision Points
- Available Resources

Web link: http://www.state.nj.us/dep/srp/guidance/srra/inv_impacts_to_surface_water.pdf





Purpose and Key Concepts

- Department recognized confusion regarding responsibilities for off-site impacts to Surface Water
- Department identified need to clarify that NJDEP Technical Requirements, N.J.A.C. 7:26E, apply to <u>every site</u> even when...
 - industrial/developed environment
 - delineation will overlap with other projects
 - surface water is part of CERCLA study



NJDEP Technical Requirements for Site Remediation (N.J.A.C. 7:26E)

- Subchapter 1.16, Ecological Receptor Evaluation
- Subchapter 3.6, Site Investigation for Surface Water and Sediment
- Subchapter 4.8, Remedial Investigation for Surface Water and Sediments
- Subchapter 5.1e, Remedial Action Requirements for free and residual product





Decision Points

Receptor evaluation - ecological (N.J.A.C. 7:26E-1.16)

- Determine if there is a <u>environmentally sensitive</u> <u>natural resource</u> (ESNR)
 - On the site
 - Adjacent to the site
 - Potentially affected by current or historical impacts from the site
- Determine if <u>contaminant concentrations</u> on-site are greater than ecological screening criteria (ESC) or aquatic NJ Surface Water Quality Standards (SWQS)







Decision Points (continued)

- Determine if contamination from the site may have reached a sensitive resource (ESNR)
 - Identify contaminant migration pathways historic and current
 - Sampling design should consider all possible contaminant migration pathways between the site and surface water/sediment
 - Collect focused samples along these pathways and, if warranted, collect samples in surface water and sediment
- Determine if free or residual product exists and requires abatement





Decision Points (continued)

Compare SI site data to NJDEP Ecological Screening Criteria (ESC) http://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance/ecoscreening/

If <u>contaminant concentrations</u> on-site <u>ARE NOT</u> greater than ESC or SWQS and/or a pathway does not exist -Document results in Ecological Evaluation (EE) report

If <u>contaminant concentrations</u> on-site are <u>ARE</u> greater than ESC or SWQS and a pathway exists – Conduct Remedial Investigation of Ecological Receptors





Decision Points (continued)

Remedial investigation of ecological receptors (N.J.A.C. 7:26E-4.8)

- Complete delineation into and within sediment and surface water, and
- Conduct Ecological Risk Assessment (ERA), if needed, to determine remediation goals




Complicating Factors

- Waterbodies in highly developed and industrialized areas
- Existing "Legacy" contamination from multiple sources (historical discharge impacts)
- Tidal conditions
- Existing CERCLA or RCRA jurisdiction





Diamond Alkali Superfund Site Project Areas U.S. EPA - Region 2 April 2014

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Available Resources

NJDEP Ecological Evaluation Technical Guidance, Feb 2015

Information from other entities involved with nearby remedial activities (e.g., other LRSPs, NJDEP, USEPA, USACE, USFWS)

Technical Consultation with NJDEP-Site Remediation Program

Lines of evidence approach and professional judgement





Available Resources (continued)

- Enlist services of subcontractor specializing in ecological evaluations and risk assessments
- NJDEP Annual Ecological Risk Assessment 2-day Course at Rutgers (March 15 and 16, 2016)
- For CERCLA and RCRA sites, coordinate with USEPA Regional Project Manager and NJDEP case team; document coordination in Remedial Investigation/Remedial Action report





Available Resources (continued)

- How can you find out where the NPL sites are?
 http://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/superfund/
- How can you find out what work was conducted by other RPs in the area?
 http://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/kcsnj/
- NJ GeoWeb: http://www.nj.gov/dep/gis/apps.html





Conclusion

- The delineation of site-related contamination to an sensitive ecological resource is an important part of a completed remedial investigation and <u>subject to the RI extended timeframes</u>
- Requirements still apply when a site overlaps with other sites and/or overlaps with a CERCLA investigation in the same surface water body





Questions?



Characterization of Contaminated Ground Water Discharge to Surface Water Technical Guidance

Groundwater Flow

Contaminant

Plume



Committee Chairperson NJDEP, BEMSA

Rupture in Underground Tank

Contaminants

eventually flow into surface water





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Guidance Overview

- Approach for Evaluating Contaminated GW discharge to SW
- Conceptual Models of GW-SW Interaction
- Site Specific Model Development
- Characterization Methods and Tools
- Remedial Action/Performance Monitoring





Purpose Address the Technical Requirements

- Is there a potential that SW is contaminated by GW discharge?
 - Conceptual model
- If so, sample in the suspected location of greatest contamination
 - Characterization Methods and Tools
- Remedial Action/Performance Monitoring





Regulations Applicable to the Investigation of Contaminated Ground Water Impacts to Surface Water



Jill Monroe – Supervising Geologist Bureau of Ground Water Pollution Abatement





Site Remediation Program Rules

Rules Defining RI and RA WorkplansRemediation Standards (N.J.A.C.-7:26D)

- Ground Water Quality Standards (N.J.A.C.-7:9C)
- Surface Water Quality Standards (SWQS) (N.J.A.C. 7:9B)

•Technical Requirements for Site Remediation ("Tech Rule") (N.J.A.C. 7:26E)

Other SRP Rules

Administrative Requirements for the Remediation of Contaminated Sites (ARRCS) Rules (N.J.A.C. 7:26C)
Underground Storage of Hazardous Substances (UST) Rules (N.J.A.C. 7:14B)
Industrial Site Recovery Act (ISRA) Rules (N.J.A.C. 7:26B)

•NJPDES Regulations (N.J.A.C. 7:14A)





Remediation Standards -Ground Water and Surface Water

- Adopted the GWQS and SWQS policies, narrative criteria and numeric standards as MINIMUM REMEDIATION STANDARDS
- Established the requirements to remediate adverse impacts to GW and SW as receptors, and to limit risks to other receptors affected by contaminated GW or SW





GWQS and SWQS policies affect the RI and RA of GW and SW

The **OVERALL GOALS** of the water quality regulations are:

- **MAINTAIN** water quality that is better than standards
- **RESTORE** water quality that is worse than standards
- **PRESERVE** natural water quality of designated waters
- PROTECT public health
- SAFEGUARD aquatic life
- ENHANCE the multiple uses of water





RI Situations

GW impact no SW discharge SW impact from non-GW related source



What is the trigger to evaluate a GW impact to SW?











Site Investigation

What will the SI need to provide?

•SW and sediment pore water data in the GW discharge zone to confirm the contaminant migration pathway is complete

•Type(s) of contaminants to determine potential impacts to SW/sediment/aquatic life/eco receptors





Remedial Investigation

What will the RI need to provide?

•Existing (or background) surface water quality and uses

Delineation of all impacts to SW and receptors

•SW data, as needed for criteria





Remedial Action Plan Factors

- SW body classification
- Anti-degradation category
- Existing water quality
- Existing uses
- COCs type, concentrations
- Extent of impacted area
- Receptor impacts







How Will the Remediation:

- MAINTAIN water quality that is better than standards
- RESTORE water quality that is worse than standards
- PRESERVE natural water quality of designated waters
- PROTECT public health
- SAFEGUARD aquatic life
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Development of the GW-SW Conceptual Model

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Development of the GW-SW Conceptual Model

General Conceptual Models:

- 1. Ground Water Stream Interaction
- 2. The Hyporheic Zone
- 3. Ground Water Wetland Interaction
- 4. Ground Water Lake Interaction
- 5. Coastal GW-SW Interaction





Conceptual Site Model

A conceptual site model is a written and/or illustrative representation of the conditions and the physical, chemical and biological processes that control the transport, migration and potential impacts of contamination (in soil, air, ground water, surface water and/or sediments) to human and/or ecological receptors.





Conceptual Site Model

An initial site-specific CSM for ground water to surface water discharge can be created through a desktop review using on-line resources:

- Topographic maps
- NJDEP GIS files
- Geological maps & cross sections
- NJGS Hydrogeology database for aquifer properties
- USGS surface water and ground water monitoring networks







Source: USGS 2008 Field Techniques for **Estimating Water** Fluxes Between Surface Water and Ground Water



Ground Water – Stream Interactions: Hyporheic Zone









Ground Water - Wetland Interactions









Ground Water – Lake Interaction



Lake Seepage to Groundwater

Lake Receiving Groundwater and Seepage to Groundwater

Source: USGS



Ground Water – Lake Interaction



Lake Receiving Groundwater



Lake Seepage to Groundwater

Lake Receiving Groundwater and Seepage Groundwater



Source: USGS



Coastal GW – SW Interaction





Summary

- Several generalized conceptual models for GW and SW interaction were presented.
- These conceptual models can be used as a starting point for developing a site-specific conceptual site model.
- After desktop review a site investigation typically follows, which should further refine the conceptual site model.





Methods and Tools for Locating and Characterization Contamination

John Ruhl NJDEP- BEERA





Methods and Tools for Locating and Characterizing Contamination

- Section 6.0 of the guidance document, including Appendices C and D, and Table 2.
- The identified Methods and Tools are not exhaustive.
- Information was compiled by Bill Cordasco of TRC Environmental, Corp. and John Ruhl of NJDEP/BEERA





Tools for Identifying GW Discharge Zones in Surface Water

- GW-SW Investigation Triggers:
 - Inspections Beginning with PA/Initial Receptor Evaluation for Visual/Olfactory Evidence
 - Information from on-going GW investigation
- Locating GW-SW Discharge Zones/Points:
 - Physical Properties -
 - Temperature
 - Conductivity & Resistivity


Temperature

Ground Level Thermal Imaging:

• Forward Looking Infrared Camera (FLIR)



Temperature based on Infrared energy is assigned "false" color in visible spectrum . Cooler bank seepage (blues) entering warmer stream water (orange).



Infrared Imaging Movie

Source: Geophysics for USGS Groundwater/Surface-water Interaction Studies USGS/Martin Briggs



Inferred submarine groundwater discharge (SGD) into a fishpond using a handheld infrared camera aboard an unmodified aircraft at Kaloko, Hawaii.

Aerial FLIR image from Jan 2003 showing cooler groundwater (dark blue) of ~23C entering pond (light blue) with water temp of ~25C (Fig 3.).

Land-bridge is ~1,000 ft long.

Source: Duarte et al., 2006

Ground Level Thermal Measurements:

- Handheld Instruments Thermometers, Thermocouples, and Thermistors
 - o usually employed in more "focused" or "discrete-point" investigations
 - o difference between the instruments is the physics of how each operates
 - $\circ~$ each type has its advantages and disadvantages



Fiber-Optic Surveys

- Distributed Temperature Sensing
 - o uses standard telecommunications optical fibers
 - laser light is pulsed along entire cable length to measure temp every meter



Figure 2: Temperature data showing thermal anomaly, Shenandoah River, Clarke County, Virginia.

Lane and others, 2008^{8}

Conductivity & Resistivity

- Handheld Electronic Probe
 - usually employed in more
 "focused" or "discrete-point"
 investigations

Depending upon the manufacturer, may be able to obtain longer probe

This example: Measures conductivity, resistivity, temperature, specific conductance, salinity, total dissolved solids (TDS), pH, ORP, pH/ORP combination, ammonium (ammonia), nitrate, chloride and dissolved oxygen.



Towed Electronic Probe



Figure 1. The sediment probe being towed behind a small boat. The probe is used to detect areas of more electrically conductive groundwater inflow.



Sediment Pore Water Evaluation

- Diffusion Sampling
- Equilibrium Sampling
- Direct Pore Water Sampling
- Centrifugation

Additional information in Appendix F – Sediment Pore Water Sampling Techniques of the *Ecological Evaluation Technical Guidance*



Diffusion Sampling: allows equilibrium attainment between surrounding water across a diffusion barrier to a capture medium

- Vapor Diffusion Sampler
- Water Dialysis Bags
- Peepers
- Nylon-Screen Diffusion Sampler (NSDS)
- Diffusion Equilibration in Thin Films
- Diffusive Gradient in Thin Films (DGTs)
- Amplified Geochemical Imaging Passive Sampler
- Semi-Permeable Membrane Devices (SPMDs)

All are passive devices (deployed in-situ and later retrieved) All are liquid to liquid transfer of solutes, except for Vapor Diffusion Sampler

Water Dialysis/Passive Diffusion Bags



Figure 5.16 PDB for Sediments using bag provided by Columbia. (Photograph by J. Schoenleber)

Source: NJDEP Field Sampling Procedures Manual Section 5.2.1.11.2

Peepers



Custom 3-D printer generated housing (Drive Plate) capable of holding 22 prepared vials (11 per side) for vertical sampling of pore waters.

Source: DuPont

Nylon-Screen Diffusion Sampler (NSDS)

- Used for determining pore water metals concentrations
- ~2.5" diameter, 125-mL polypropylene jar (lab sample jar) large enough for lab analytical needs
- cap center bored-out leaving only screw-on rim for securing nylon mesh
- 120-μm nylon-screen mesh (~10 x 10 cm)
- NSDS filled with deionized water, buried in the sediment, and allowed to equilibrate with its environment
- Upon retrieval, pore water extracted with syringe



Source: USGS Scientific Investigations Report 2005-5155 (Zimmerman et al. 2005)

Diffusion Equilibration in Thin Films (DET)



Fig. 1. Diagram and dimensions of the sediment sampling probe. The materials are Perspex with nylon screws. Accumulating medium consists of a gel polymer (~15%) mixed with distilled deionized water (~85%) and cast to a thickness of ~0.5 to 1 mm. The "window" (area between the screws) is covered with permeable cellulose acetate filter membrane about a halfmicron in thickness.

Source: Krom et al., 1994

Diffusive Gradient in Thin Films (DGTs)

Resin layer [brown] serves as a sink for labile metal species which diffuse through the polyacrylamide diffusion-layer [lavender]. The filter membrane [green] (pore size = 0.45μ m) protects the fragile polyacrylamide surface and isolates it from particles.



Schematic Cross-Section of "Piston-type" DGT Sampler (Figure 4-3a) Source: International Network for Acid Prevention (March 2002)



Source: Lorax Environmental Services Ltd

Amplified Geochemical Imaging Passive Sampler (f.k.a. "Gore-Sorber")



Source: www.agisurveys.net



Using a rod, sampler is pushed or driven into sediment to the desired depth. A premeasured pole with samplers secured at different heights may be used for vertical profiling.

Semipermeable Membrane Devices (SPMD)





Source: USGS - Columbia Environmental Research Center Duane Chapman

Equilibrium Samplers

- Polyethylene (PE)
- Polyoxymethylene (POM)
- Solid Phase Microextraction Devices (SPME) Polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS) as fiberoptic cable sheathing

Targets hydrophobic contaminants

Deployable in-situ (sediment, water column, or both concurrently) Can also be used ex-situ (return with pore water to lab)



Figure 3. Close-up view of SPME fiber.



Figure 2. Photographs of selected passive samplers.

EPA OSWER Directive 9200.1-110FS (Dec. 2012)



Direct Pore Water Sampling Evaluation

- Pore Water Piezometers
- Syringe Samplers
- Push Point Samplers
- Trident Probe
- UltraSeep System



Pore Water Piezometers



Pore-water sampling equipment: Pore water piezometer and tubing, peristaltic pump, and sample collection bottle. (Photograph by Michelle Lutz, U.S. Geological Survey, May 2006.)

Push Point Samplers (PPS)



Sediment Pore Water Sampling using a *Micro Push Point*

USEPA SOP#EH-03, East Helena Site, Montana (September 2003)

http://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/documents/r8-src_eh-03.pdf.

PushPoint Extreme Sampler (TM) (MHE Products)

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Stainless steel T-handle tube (91 cm long x 6.4 mm diam with 0.635-mm slots)

Source: USGS Scientific Investigations Report 2005-5155 (Fig. 3) [Zimmerman et al. 2005]

US Navy Trident Probe

- Contaminant Concentration
- Temperature
- Conductivity

Inserted into sediments.

Right prong (digital oceanographic thermometer) measures temperature (-5 to +45 °C) and conductivity (0 to 80 mS/cm).

Left prong is for pore water sample collection (syringe or vacuum pump extraction) to depth of 3 feet below Sed/SW interface.



Source: https://clu-in.org/programs/21m2/navytools/gsw/

US Navy **UltraSeep**

- Temperature
- Conductivity
- Contaminant Concentration
- Flow (advective flux)

Submersible battery power for 4 days of continuous operation.

Temp & Conductivity data measured and stored in unit.

Flow meter continuously measures specific discharge or recharge from 1 to 1000 cm/day.

Up to 10 seepage water samples can be collected in 1-liter sample bags.

Max deployment depth of 70 m.



Source: https://clu-in.org/programs/21m2/navytools/gow/



Centrifugation - Large volumes of bulk sediments are collected in the field, returned to the lab, and centrifuged to extract pore water for subsequent analysis.





SURFACE WATER ASSESSMENT: Sampling Methods

FSPM section 5.2.3 Surface Water and Liquid Sampling Equipment

Two most common methods:
Dip Grab (sample container immersed)
Pump & Tubing





Questions?



Assessment of electrical resistivity method to map groundwater seepage zones in heterogeneous sediments

Michael Gagliano New Jersey Geological & Water Survey







Mirror Lake, NH



- Small glacial lake (15 ha) underlain by fractured crystalline bedrock
- Bedrock covered by glacial till and sand/gravel outwash
- Till and outwash covered by 0-3m of organic fines
- Part of the Hubbard Brook experimental forest
 - Long term study site of USGS
 - Lots of data

Southwest Shore

- Sand and gravel outwash
- Glacial till
- Organic sediment covers most of the site (<1mm in some cases)
- Area of high lake water discharge (up to 300 cm/day) in the sand and gravel outwash



Seepage



From Winter et al., 1999

Seepage Meters



Geophysics





Electrical resistivity

Factors linking groundwater and resistivity

- Porosity (φ)
- Saturation (s)
- \succ Resistivity of the pore water (ρ_w)
- Bulk resistivity (ρ)

Electrical Resistivity

 Measures resistance of the subsurface to current flow





Survey Locations



Perpendicular to Shore


Parallel to Shore



Parallel to Shore





Northeast Inlet Salt Plume





Summary

- Electrical resistivity lines perpendicular to shore could map the water table and hydraulic gradient
- Electrical resistivity lines parallel to shore was able to identify broad zones of geologic heterogeneity that may predict seepage
- The surface layer of organic sediment, even though < 1cm thick, may play a large role in seepage rates
- Resistivity is able to identify broad zones of contaminant plumes.



Remedial Action and Performance Monitoring Program

A program necessary to evaluate the effectiveness of the selected remedial technology through monitoring

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Remedial Action Strategies for Ground Water Plume Discharge

- Ground Water Plume Treatment Amendments
- Permeable Reactive
 Barriers
- Ground Water
 Containment
- Monitored Natural Attenuation/Recovery





Performance Monitoring

- Site-specific monitoring plan
- Address sources of variability
- Considers use of the surface water body
- Fate and transport modeling can be useful for designing monitoring points





Performance Monitoring General Considerations

- Climate/Weather
- Topography
- Stream/Surface Water Morphology
- Tidal Influence
- Urbanization









The Monitoring Plan will be based on specific performance objectives of the remedy





A Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) and Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) should be prepared to define key elements of the Monitoring Plan





A statistical evaluation of pre- and expected post-remedy conditions will ensure that adequate sampling is conducted to make decisions.





Generally, more sampling is needed during the initial phases of the monitoring program.





If MNA is part of the remedy, long-term monitoring endpoints that depend on the processes dominant in natural recovery have to be included in the plan.





Case Studies: Mitigation

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Remedial Action Strategies

- Ground Water Treatment Amendments
 - Examples: biostimulation, bioaugmentation, chemical oxidation or reduction
- Permeable Reactive Barriers
 - Examples: organoclay/activated carbon, zero valent iron, biological barriers, air sparging
- Ground Water Containment
 - Examples: sheet piling, slurry walls, hydraulic containment.





Case Studies

• Case Study 1

Mitigation of the discharge of groundwater from a former Manufactured Gas Plant Site

Case Study 2

Mitigation of the discharge of chlorinated ethanes to a tidal creek





- Redeveloped as office and residential condominiums
- Area is comprised of historically filled wetlands
- Seeps (and odors) were noticed during low tides
- Sheen was visible at high tides
- A storm sewer was acting as a conduit for contaminated ground water, through ground water flow in pipe bedding and by leakage of groundwater into the sewer.



- Compounds of Interest: VOCs, PAHs, intermittent LNAPL
- Remedial goals for sediment require mitigation of discharge
- Limited options for source remediation- focus on mitigation
- The sewer was relined to prevent infiltration





- Biosparging (aerobic bioremediation) was selected as a component of the treatment system
- A pre-design pilot study was performed to determine effective radius of influence
- Soil gas data indicated that soil vapor extraction for recovery was not required. Intermittent sparging performed (energy efficient; avoid unintentional hydraulic barrier)











Additional Components:

 Up gradient submerged oil water separator to remove LNAPL





- Additional components:
 - Down gradient permeable reactive barrier- organoclay and activated carbon for polishing
 - Media installed in removable baskets for maintenance
- System installed in 2013 and is operating as designed





Innovative Solution for Chlorinated Solvent Bioremediation at the Groundwater-Surface Water Interface



Groundwater Issues Stimulate Technology Development



DANC, chlorinated solvent mixture

- 96% 1,1,2,2 Tetrachloroethane (TeCA)
- 4% Trichloroethene (TCE)

Groundwater impacted

Groundwater discharges into wetlands

Wetlands discharge to surface water

 Diffuse flow areas exhibit complete natural degradation of solvents (incomplete exposure pathway)

- Seep areas exhibit no degradation (completed exposure pathway)
- TeCA, TCE, CT and CF

Solvent Release from Seep Area



1122TeCA



112TCA

TCE

cis-12DCE

Concentration, uM

250

200

Aug 2003

4.0

5.0

Bioreactive Mat Concept

A passive, permeable reactive barrier comprised of an organicbased matrix, bioaugmented with dechlorinating culture and placed at the seep surface

MAXIMIZE the overall VOC mass reduction in the mat through biotic (and abiotic) mechanisms

MAXIMIZE the efficiency and life expectancy of bioaug. culture in its delivery to and propagation in the mat

ACHIEVE geotechnical, hydraulic, and geochemical compatibility with the wetland ecosystem

Chlorinated ethenes, ethanes, and methanes Dechlorinated by WBC-2

Chlorinated Solvent Dechlorination by WBC2





In Situ Treatability Study

- Control simulates natural conditions
- Biostimulated provides electron donor
 - Lactate
 - Chitin
- Bioaugmented provides WBC-2
- Biostimulated and Bioaugmented electron donor and WBC-2





Bioreactive Mat Design

- WBC-2 proves suitably active, effective, and reliable for bioaugmentation
- Engineering issues
 - Mat thickness for >90% VOC removal
 - Shear strength of sediment
 - Compressive strength of sediment and maximum thickness of the mat
 - Mat permeability
 - Installation methods
- Multi-level, multi-parameter monitoring





Reactive Mat Design 1.5 ft thick, keyed 1 ft into sediment





Site Preparation



Sediment Removal



Sediment Removal



Material Placement 140



Bioaugmentation



In place – Oct 2004



Shoring removal



May 2005

Reactive Mat Design and Performance



Mass Removal

Date	CE+CA % removal	CM % removal
Nov-2004	99	95
Mar-2005	88	81
Jun-2005	96	99.8
Sep-2005	99	99



Case Study 2: Conclusions

- Successful progression from concept to design to implementation of bioreactive mat in a tidal wetland seep using commercially available materials and WBC-2
- No adverse effects to surface water quality (nutrients, trace metals)
- Minimal initial settlement of materials, stable in environment




Questions?

