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## REMEDIATION INNOVATIONS Outline

- Innovations in Site Characterization
- Traditional Remedial Approaches
- Innovations in Remedial Technologies
  - Surfactant Flushing
  - In Situ Chemical Oxidation (ISCO)
  - Enhanced Bioremediation
  - In Situ Injection Technologies
  - In Situ Thermal Desorption
  - In Situ Heating

#### **Innovations in Site Characterization**

- Triad Approach
- MIP, LIF, HPT
- Field Labs (GC/MS, Immunoassays)
- Geophysics
- Vapor Intrusion Issues (VI)

## Remediation Innovations Triad Approach

Systematic Planning Managing Uncertaints

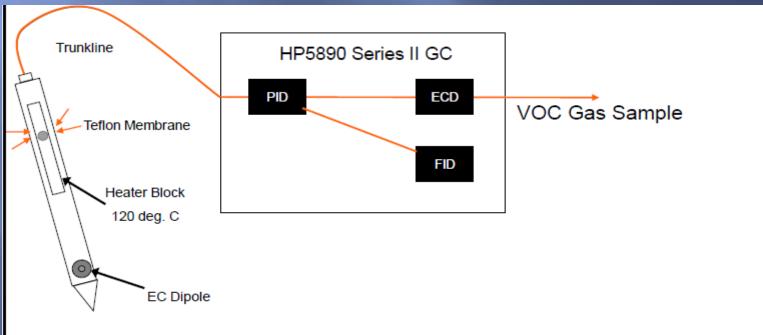
Dynamic Work Strategies

**Real-Time Measurement Technologies** 

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# **REMEDIATION INNOVATIONS** Innovations in Site Characterization <u>MIP</u>

Membrane Interface Probe (MIP) Screening Tool



### Innovations in Site Characterization MIP (cont.)

#### □ Strengths

- □ Vertically continuous, real-time data
- Can typically complete 150 to 250 linear feet of exploration per day
- Ideal for locating source areas and plume cores

#### Limitations

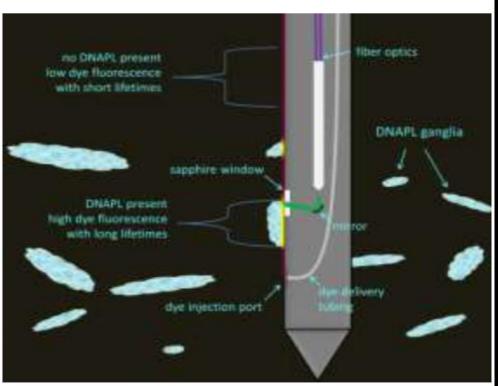
- □ Limited depth penetration
- □ Units (volts) not the same as with soil or water concentration
- □ Correlations with soil/water concentrations problematic
- □ Generally does not distinguish between analytes
- □ Apparent "dragdown" of contamination
- □ No particular NAPL signature

□ Once in NAPL the tool is highly contaminated and needs to be cleaned before continuing

#### **Innovations in Site Characterization**

#### LIF

- Laser Induced Fluorescence is a powerful, high resolution, direct sensing tool for locating NAPLs consisting of aromatic compounds (e.g., fuels, coal tar etc)
- However, chlorinated solvents do not fluoresce – so LIF does not work for chlorinated solvent DNAPLS
- Dye LIF developed to overcome this limitation



Courtesy of Dakota Technologies

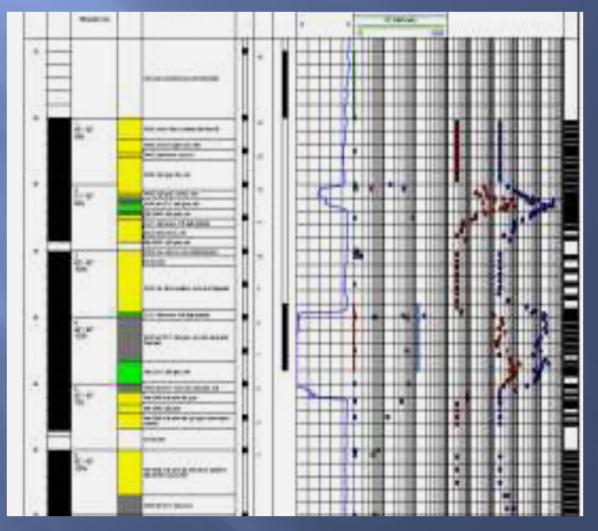
# **REMEDIATION INNOVATIONS** Hydraulic Profiling Tool (HPT)



### Remediation Innovations <u>GeoProbe</u>



## Remediation Innovations MIP/LIF/HPT Log



### Remediation Innovations Field Labs

#### • <u>Advantages</u>

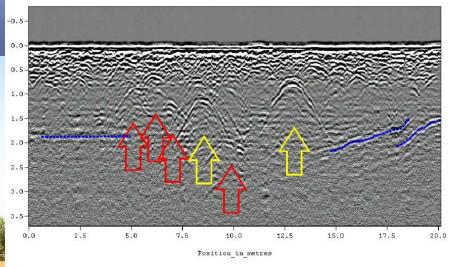
- Real Time Physical/Chemical Site Data
- Real Time Data
- Concentration
   Data



Geophysics

- Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR)
- Electromagnetic Induction (EM)
- Precision Utility Location (PUL)
- Seismic Refraction



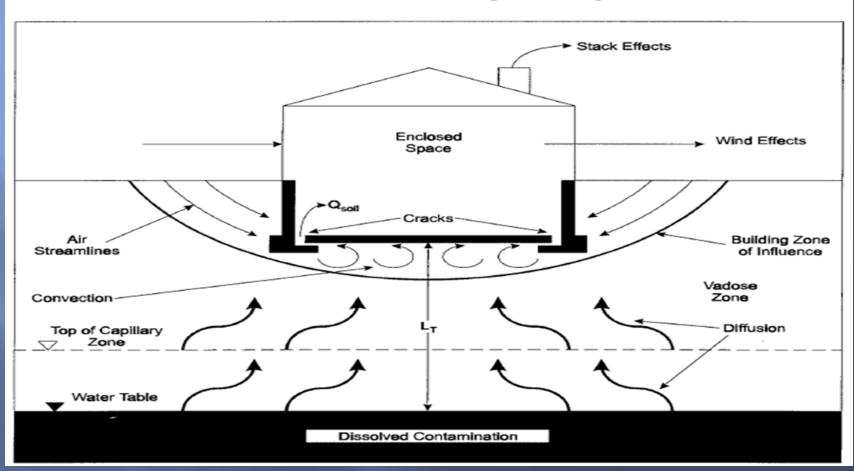


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#### **Petroleum Vapor Intrusion**

#### Advective/Convective Transport of Vapors



<u>Vermont Vapor Intrusion Guidance</u> Petroleum Sites (or other biodegradable COCs)

 TPH w/i 5' structure, use VI Screening Values Table

 TPH soils >100mg/kg or PID >10 ppm &/or GW above VI Screening Value, or
 TPH soils >5' from structure, use UT empirical data studies
 TPH Soils 5-10' use TPH >100 mg/kg or PID >10 ppm &/or GW exceeds 1000 ug/l benzene or 10,000 TPH, or
 NAPL on water table within 30' of structure, or
 Residual NAPL in soils adjacent to structure foundation

### Remediation Innovations Vapor Intrusion Tools

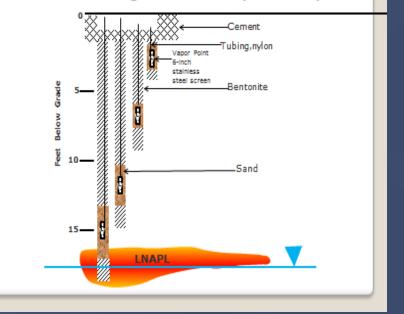




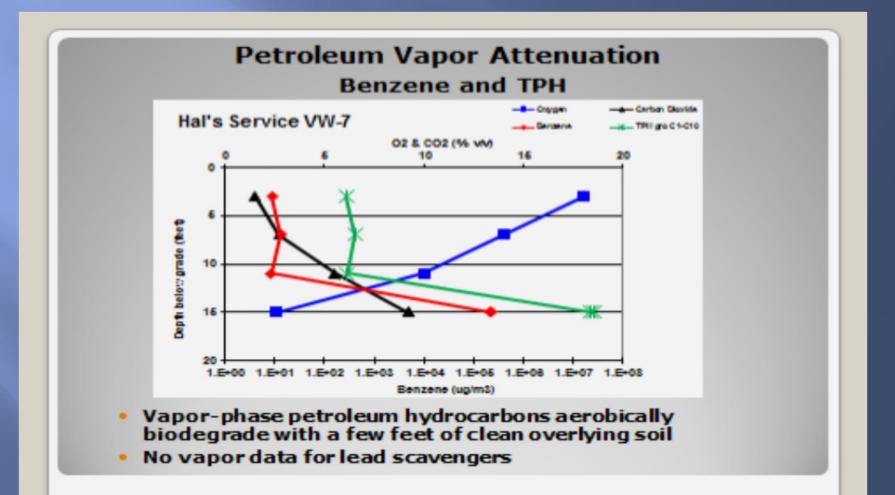
#### Sub-Slab Vapor Monitoring Point



#### Multi-Depth Vapor Monitoring Well 1x2-inch Boring for Each Completion Depth



### Remediation Innovations Vapor Profile Graph



#### **Traditional Remedial Approaches**

- Soil Removal
- Groundwater/Product Pump and Treat
- Soil Vapor Extraction / Air Sparging
- Multi-phase Extraction
- Monitored Natural
   Attenuation



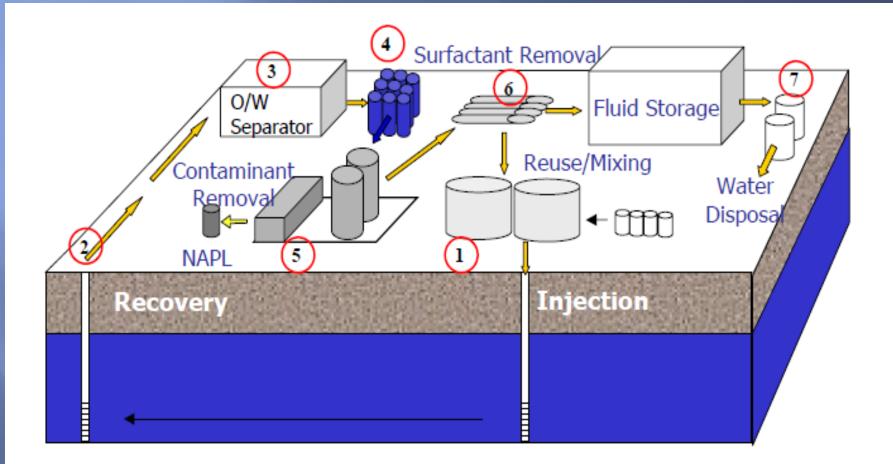
#### **Innovative Remedial Approaches**

- Surfactant Flushing
- In-Situ Chemical Oxidation
- Enhanced Biological Degradation
  - Oxygen Additives
  - Injecting Air/Pure O2
- In-Situ Injection Technologies
  - Trap & Treat (BOS 200 with AST & RPI/KY)
  - GeoGac
  - Plume Stop (Regenesis)
- In-Situ Heating

#### **Surfactant Flushing**

Adding Surfactant (Soap) to scrub contaminants from soils and recover
 May need permits for UIC, POTW, NPDES, and Air
 May be Health and Safety Issues (flammability)
 Can greatly increase the recoverability of LNAPL
 Can help reduce residual phase contamination; thereby greatly improve groundwater quality

#### Remediation Innovations Schematic of Surfactant Flushing System



#### **In-Situ Chemical Oxidation (ISCO)**

#### **Technology Basis**

- Addition of an oxidant to promote direct oxidative destruction of organic contaminants to acceptable end products (e.g., CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, chloride)
- Various oxidants are in common use:
  - Catalyzed hydrogen peroxide
  - Ozone
  - Permanganates
  - Persulfate
  - Solid phase peroxygens



Potassium Permanganate Delivery System

#### **Technology Basis**



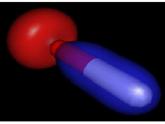
- Oxidation is accomplished by the direct contact of a reactive chemical species with the contaminant(s) of concern
- Example: Hydrogen peroxide mixed with ferrous iron at low pH results in formation of a hydroxyl radical which acts as the reactive species:

1. 
$$Fe^{+2} + H_2O_2 \rightarrow Fe^{+3} + OH^- + OH^-$$

2.  $Fe^{+3} + H_2O_2 \rightarrow Fe^{+2} + OOH + H^+$ 

Hydroxyl Radical

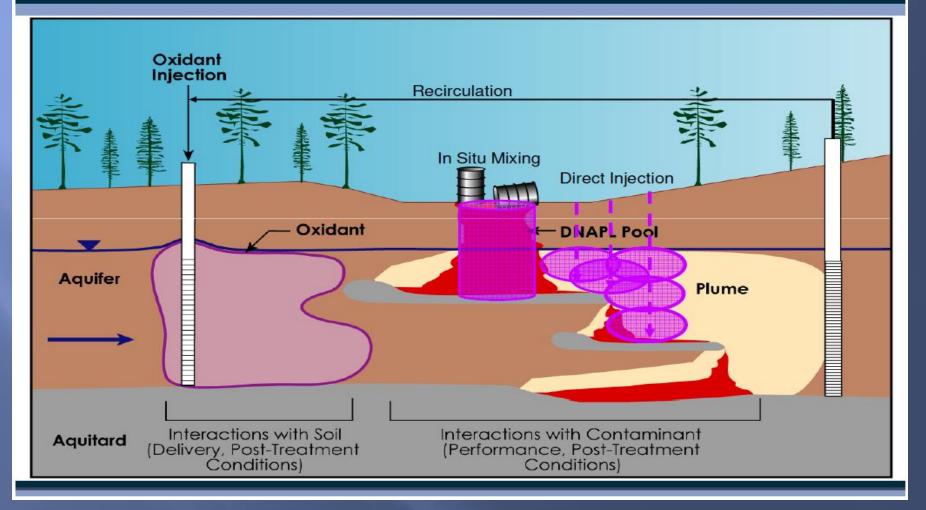
- The radical then reacts with the contaminant, resulting in non-regulated by-products and CO<sub>2</sub>
- Direct oxidation also occurs
  - Ozone, permanganate, peroxide and persulfate anion



Hydroxyl Radical

#### **Conceptual Design**

Geosyntec<sup>D</sup>



#### **ISCO - Pros and Cons**

Geosyntec Consultants

#### Pros

- Rapid treatment with mass destruction, in-situ
- Selection of proper oxidant allows of treatment of wide spectrum of chemicals
- Applicable in overburden and bedrock
- Appropriate for source zones or "hot spots"
- Generally innocuous end products
- Accepted by most regulatory agencies

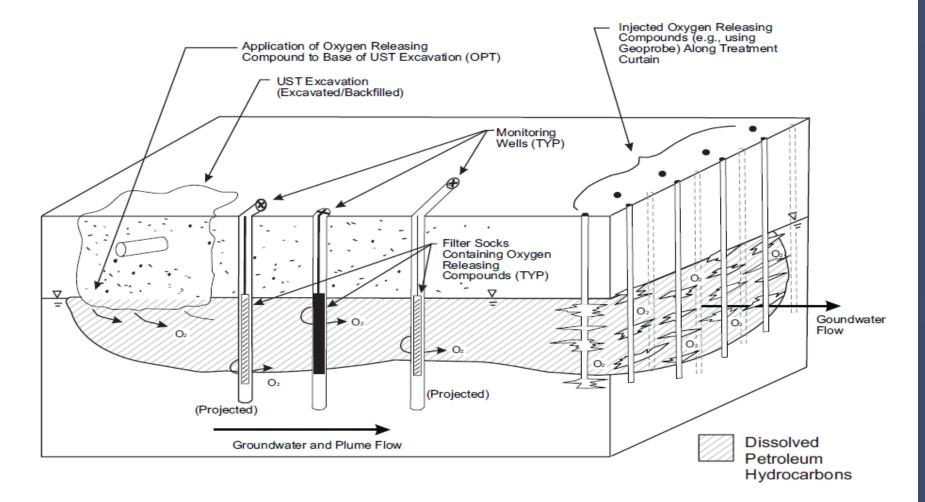
#### Natural oxidant demand (NOD) consumes oxidant

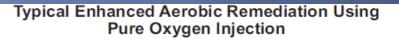
Cons

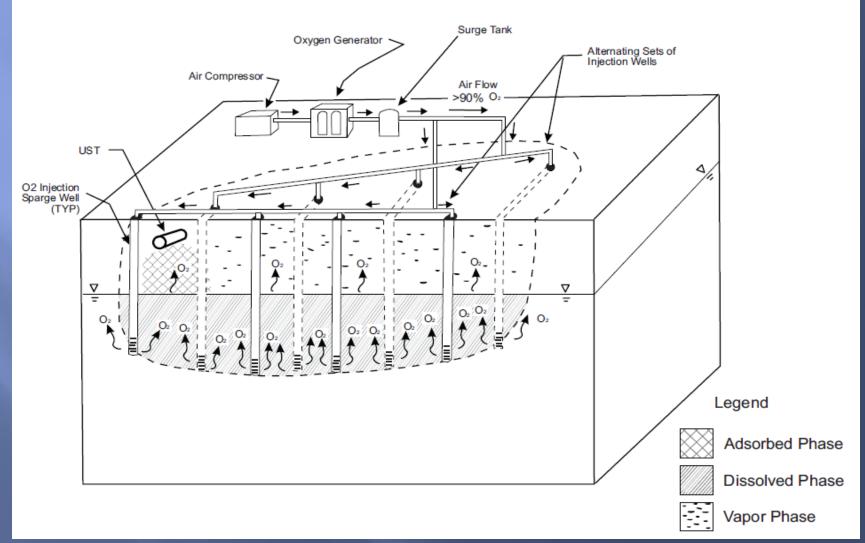
- Delivery limited by heterogeneity or low permeability
- Post-treatment rebound
- Can mobilize certain metals
- Health and safety concerns
- Often not cost effective for dispersed or dilute plumes
- Injection and storage permit requirements

#### Enhanced Biological Degradation

#### Typical Enhanced Aerobic Remediation Using Oxygen Releasing Compounds







#### **In-Situ Injection Technologies**

- "Trap and Treat®"
- Overcomes Site Constraints
- Safe Solution
  - Predictable Results
  - Longevity
  - Cost Effective
  - Rapidly Achieves Objectives

Specialty Engineered and Manufactured In-situ Remediation Products by Remediation Products, Inc. (RPI)

A Carbon/Biological Based Product consisting of: Activated Carbon Time Release TEAs (Nitrate, Sulfate) Micro and Macro Nutrients Nitrogen for Cell Growth Blend of Over 27 Species of Microorganisms

Two primary treatment mechanisms take place with BOS 200®:

The first mechanism is the "Trap": BOS 200® uses activated carbon to adsorb petroleum hydrocarbons.

Biodegradation, the "Treatment", is the second mechanism of BOS 200® remediation.

#### More on BOS 200®...

• An ideal environment for the biological process, where hydrocarbons are adsorbed on to BOS 200® particles made up of:

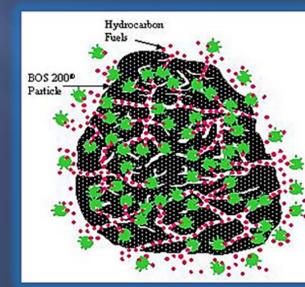
-Electron Acceptors: oxygen, nitrate, and sulfate

- Nutrients - phosphorus, nitrogen, etc.

-Aerobic and Anaerobic Blend

of Microbes

 Initially, Aerobic but then Anaerobic (Oxidation to Sulfate Reduction)



## Remediation Innovations BOS 200® - Versatility

- Treatment for a Wide Range of Hydrocarbons
- LNAPL to Dissolved Plume Remediation
- Overburden and Bedrock Applications
- Plume Wide Treatment and Barrier Applications
- Achieve Remedial Goals with a Single Installation
- Passive System Long Term Treatment
- Control Back Diffusion



Keys for Successful In-situ Remediation Using Injection

- High Resolution Sampling to Determine Total Mass and Distribution of Mass in Formation
- Implementation Techniques "Distribution"
- Longevity of Product BOS 200®
- Safe, Effective, and Predictable

## Remediation Innovations <u>GeoGac</u>

Chemically Oxygenated Granular Activated Carbon

Designed to provide Chemical oxidation Aerobic bacterial growth Carbon Adsorption

1 pound of Activated Carbon can have as much as 3 million square feet of surface area for adsorption.



• Sodium persulfate activated by calcium peroxide.

• Using calcium peroxide instead of hydrogen peroxide slows the reaction time.

• Leaves groundwater with elevated DO and also provides sulfate as electron acceptor and nutrient

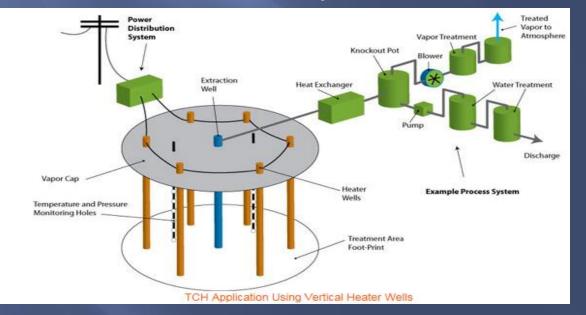
#### **Plume Stop (Regenesis)**

- Wide dispersion of sorptive medium in aqueous state
- Sorbs contaminants (removes from aqueous state)
- High surface area for microbial growth
- Diffuses throughout the soil matrix



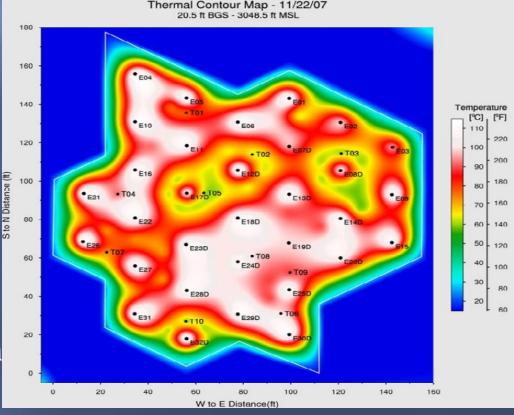
## Remediation Innovations In-Situ Thermal Desorption

- Heat and vacuum applied volatilizing contaminants to be recovered by vacuum
- Temperatures up to 1300 ° F
- 90-95% of contaminant mass destroyed in situ
- Uses large amounts of
   Electricity



### Remediation Innovations In Situ Heating

- Contaminant concentrations are high.
- The contaminated area is large or deep.
- A variety of soil types are present, causing the ground to heat unevenly.
  The soil has a lot of organic matter, which causes chemicals to stick to the soil and not evapora





ERH system cleans up contaminated soil and groundwater.

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### REMEDIATION INNOVATIONS Conclusions

 Innovative Site Characterization Approaches can improve Innovative Remedial Approaches Chance of Success
 Traditional Remedial Approaches May Still Be Appropriate for Remediating LUST Sites, but may be more expensive and less environmentally friendly

Innovative Remedial Approaches like Surfactant
 Flushing, ISCO, Enhanced Biological Degradation, and In-Situ
 Injection Technologies may be more cost effective and
 environmentally friendly to implement than traditional
 methods; BUT, you must know and trust the consultant
 proposing these technologies