

# Norwalk Tank Farm Update

Presented to the Norwalk Tank Farm  
Restoration Advisory Board

On behalf of KMEP

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# Presentation Overview

- KMEP Update
  - Remediation Operations Update
  - Planned Activities
- First Semiannual 2015 Groundwater Monitoring



# Remediation Operations Update

- Objectives
  - Contaminant Mass Containment
  - Contaminant Mass Removal
- South-Central and Southeast Areas
  - Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE) System
  - Groundwater Extraction (GWE) System
  - Total Fluids Extraction (TFE) System
    - Free product
    - Groundwater
- West Side Barrier
  - Groundwater Extraction
    - Discontinued August 2008
    - Shut-down based on low concentrations of MTBE and 1,2-DCA
    - Currently monitoring TBA and other constituents

# Remediation Systems

- South-Central Area
  - 20 TFE wells (product and groundwater)
  - 24 onsite and 6 off-site SVE wells (most collocated with TFE wells)
  - 1 horizontal biosparge well
- Southeastern Area (24-inch Block Valve Area)
  - 3 TFE wells (GMW-O-15, GMW-O-18, GMW-36)
  - 3 SVE wells (collocated with TFE wells)
  - 2 GWE Wells (GMW-SF-9, GMW-SF-10)
- Treatment and Discharge
  - SVE Vapors
    - Treatment – Thermal oxidizer
    - Discharge – Atmosphere under SCAQMD Permit
  - TFE Liquids
    - Oil/Water Separator – Free product recycled offsite
    - Groundwater Treatment – Liquid-phase GAC, Fluidized Bed Bioreactors (FBBRs) for fuel oxygenates (MTBE, TBA, etc.)
    - Groundwater Discharge – Coyote Creek under NPDES permit



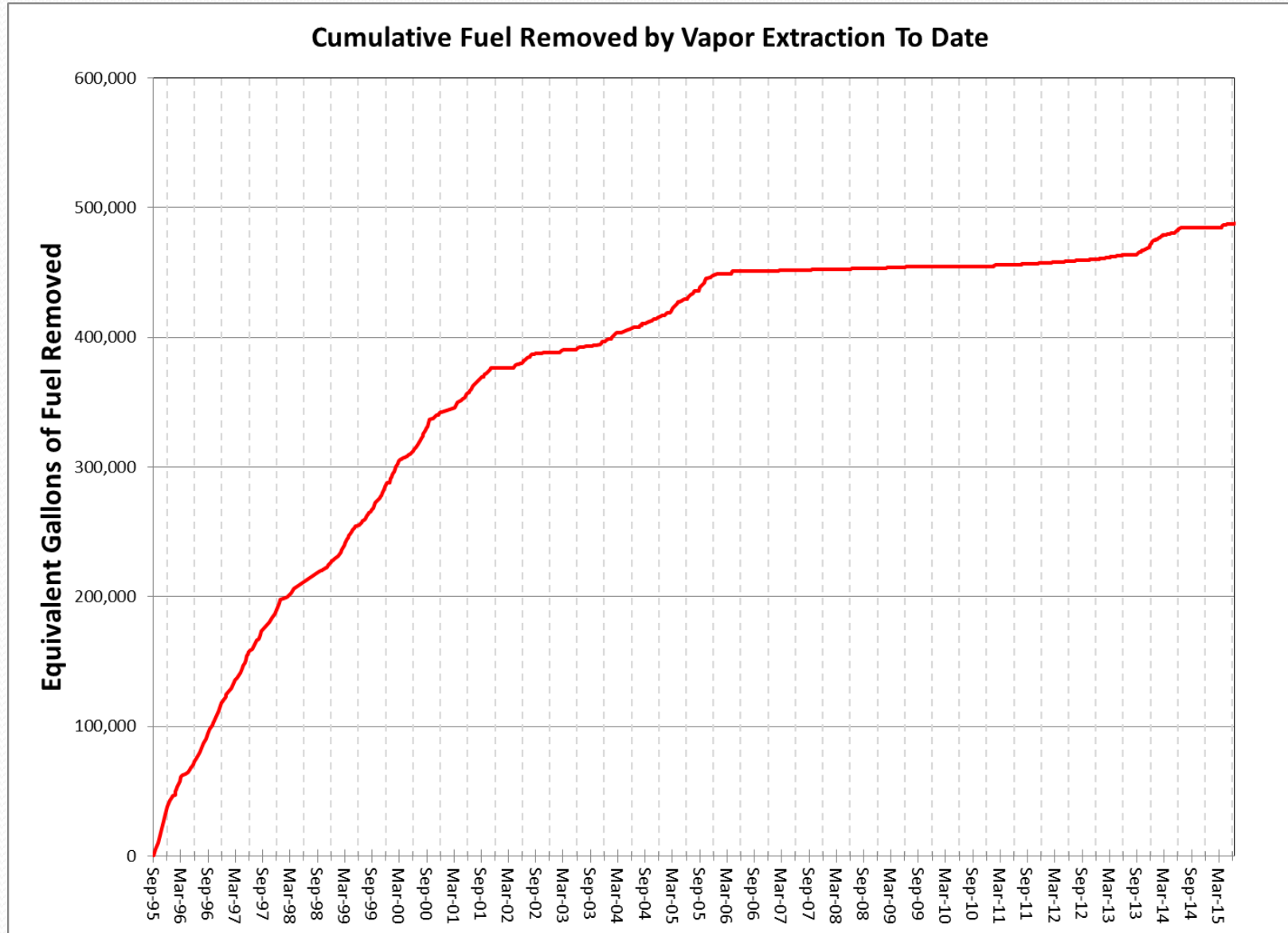
# Remediation Systems

- Operations & Maintenance Activities
  - Weekly inspection and maintenance of SVE, TFE, and TBA treatment systems
  - Weekly data collection
    - Vapor flow rate, vacuum, groundwater extraction rates, hours of operations, and other system parameters
  - Monthly pump inspections
  - Measurement of individual well vapor concentrations
  - Collection and analysis of system influent and effluent vapor and groundwater samples
  - Hand bailing product from select remediation wells

# SVE System Operations Summary

- Equivalent Fuel Treated - SVE
  - Based on weekly monitoring of influent vapor concentration, vapor extraction flow rate, and hours of operation.
  - Pounds / 6.6 lbs/gal = gallons
- 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2015– 651 gallons (4,299 pounds)
  - Shut down in January and February due to SCAQMD permit modifications
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2015– 3,265 gallons (21,547 pounds)
- Since 1995 – Approx. 488,000 gallons (3.2 million pounds)

# SVE System Operations Summary



# TFE/GWE System Operations Summary

- Groundwater Extracted
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2015
    - South-Central and Southeast Areas – 936,119 gallons
    - West Side Barrier – none (shutdown in third quarter 2008)
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2015
    - South-Central and Southeast Areas – 1,001,354 gallons
    - West Side Barrier – none (shutdown in third quarter 2008)
  - Since 1995
    - South-Central and Southeast Areas – 67.4 million gallons
    - West Side Barrier – 26.9 million gallons



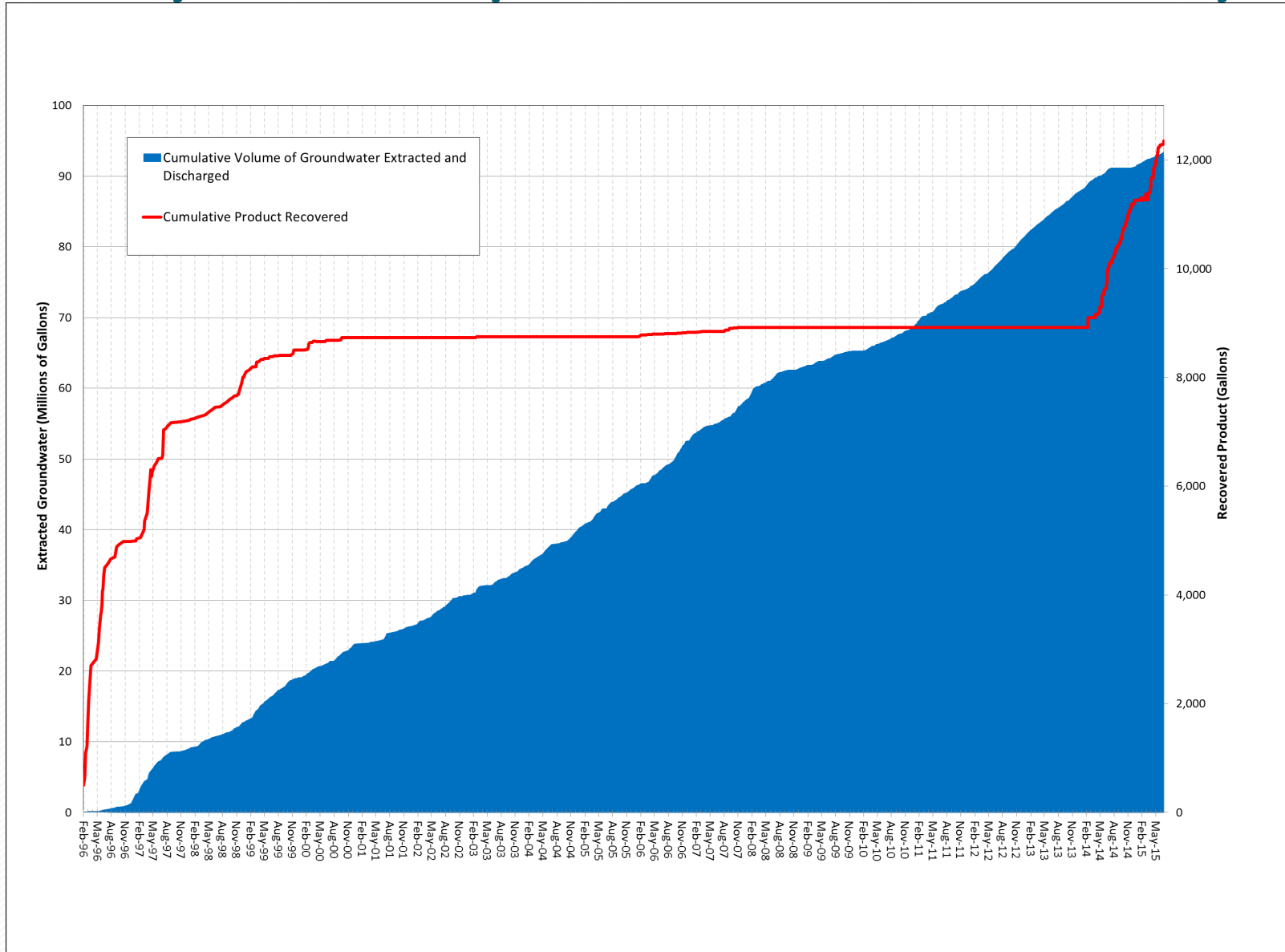
# TFE/GWE System Operations Summary

- Equivalent Fuel Treated – TFE/GWE
  - Based on monthly monitoring of influent TPH concentration and volume of extracted groundwater.
  - Pounds / 6.6 lbs/gal = gallons
- 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2015– 200 gallons (1,321 pounds)
  - Shut down in January and February due to SCAQMD permit modifications
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2015– 262 gallons (1,731 pounds)
  - Higher mass removal during 2015 a result of increased TPH concentration in groundwater influent; higher TPH concentration a result of free product emulsified in groundwater influent

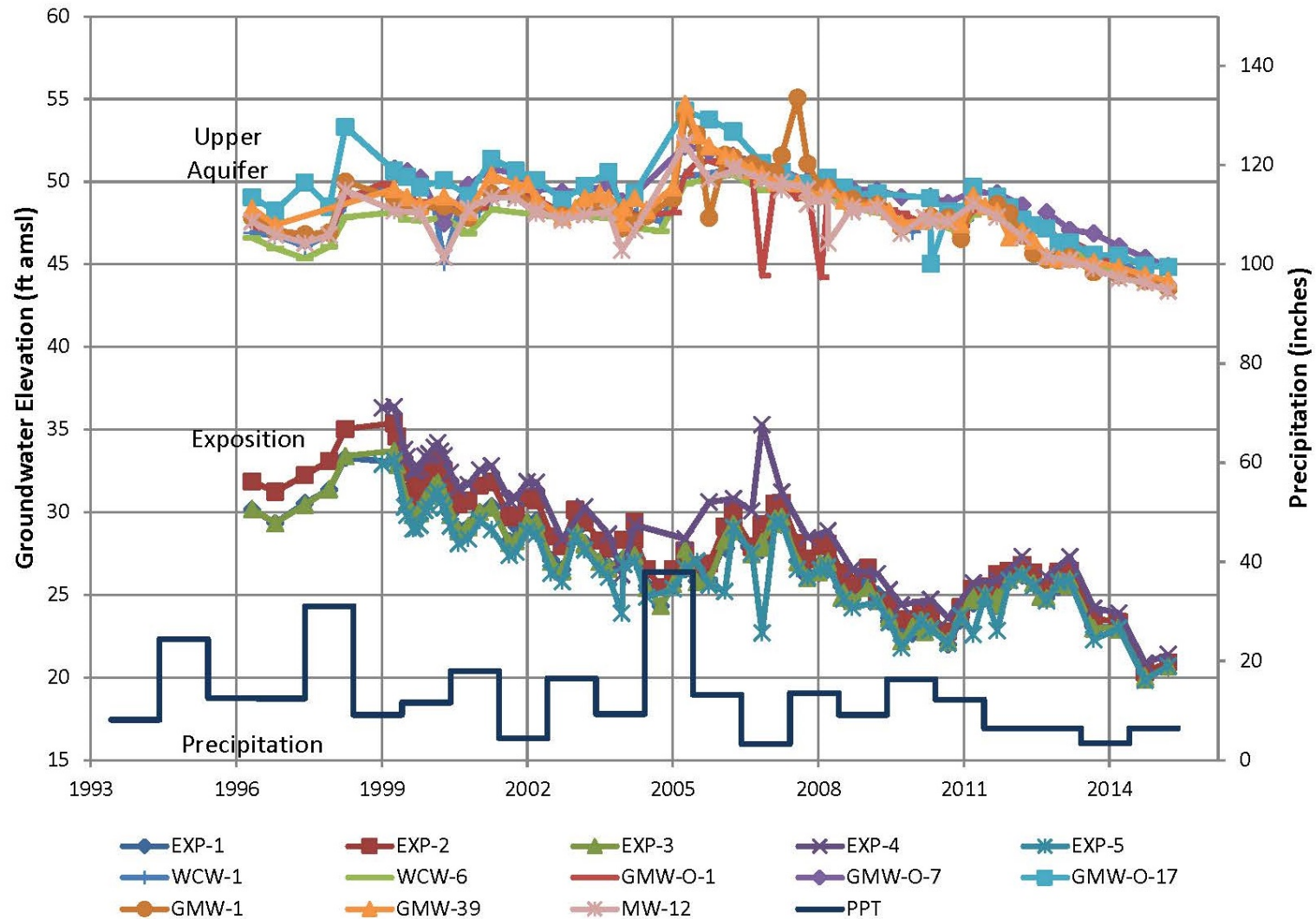
# TFE System Operations Summary

- Free Product Extracted
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2015
    - Approximately 66 gallons of free product observed to accumulate in the product holding tank
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2015
    - Approximately 813 gallons of free product observed to accumulate in the product holding tank
    - Recovered 107 gallons of free product using hand bailing
  - Since 1995 – 12,306 gallons

# TFE System Operations Summary



# Historical Groundwater Elevations



# Remediation System Operations Summary

- SVE System
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2015
    - Operated 3% of time; shut down all but 5 days in quarter due to SCAQMD permit modification
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2015
    - Operated 52% of time (52% excluding planned shutdowns); increased downtime a result of knockout pot demister repair
- TFE/GWE System
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2015
    - Operated 86% of time (87% excluding planned shutdowns)
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2015
    - Operated 85% of time (95% excluding planned shutdowns)

# Remediation System Upgrades

- SVE System
  - Installed new thermocouples
  - Cleaned knockout pot and replaced demister (filter) and housing
- TFE/GWE System
  - Installed new OWS transfer pump, and sump pump
  - Installed vapor-phase carbon treatment system for off-gas from product tank and OWS
  - Installed new Sensaphone alarm callouts
- Electrical
  - Installed new power drop for biosparge system
  - Began connection of electrical for KMEP remediation and operations systems, and new mobile office trailer

# Pilot Biosparge System

- Construction and Pilot Test Work Plan
  - Work Plan – November 18, 2013
  - Response to Comments – February 14, 2014
  - Approved by RWQCB – February 26, 2014
- Implementation
  - Horizontal well construction – Completed in August 2014
  - 6 triple nested soil vapor probes – Completed in September 2014
  - Pilot testing for 1 year – Planned start 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> QTR 2015
    - Monitor for VOCs, CO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, methane, electron acceptor chemistry

# Planned Remediation Activities

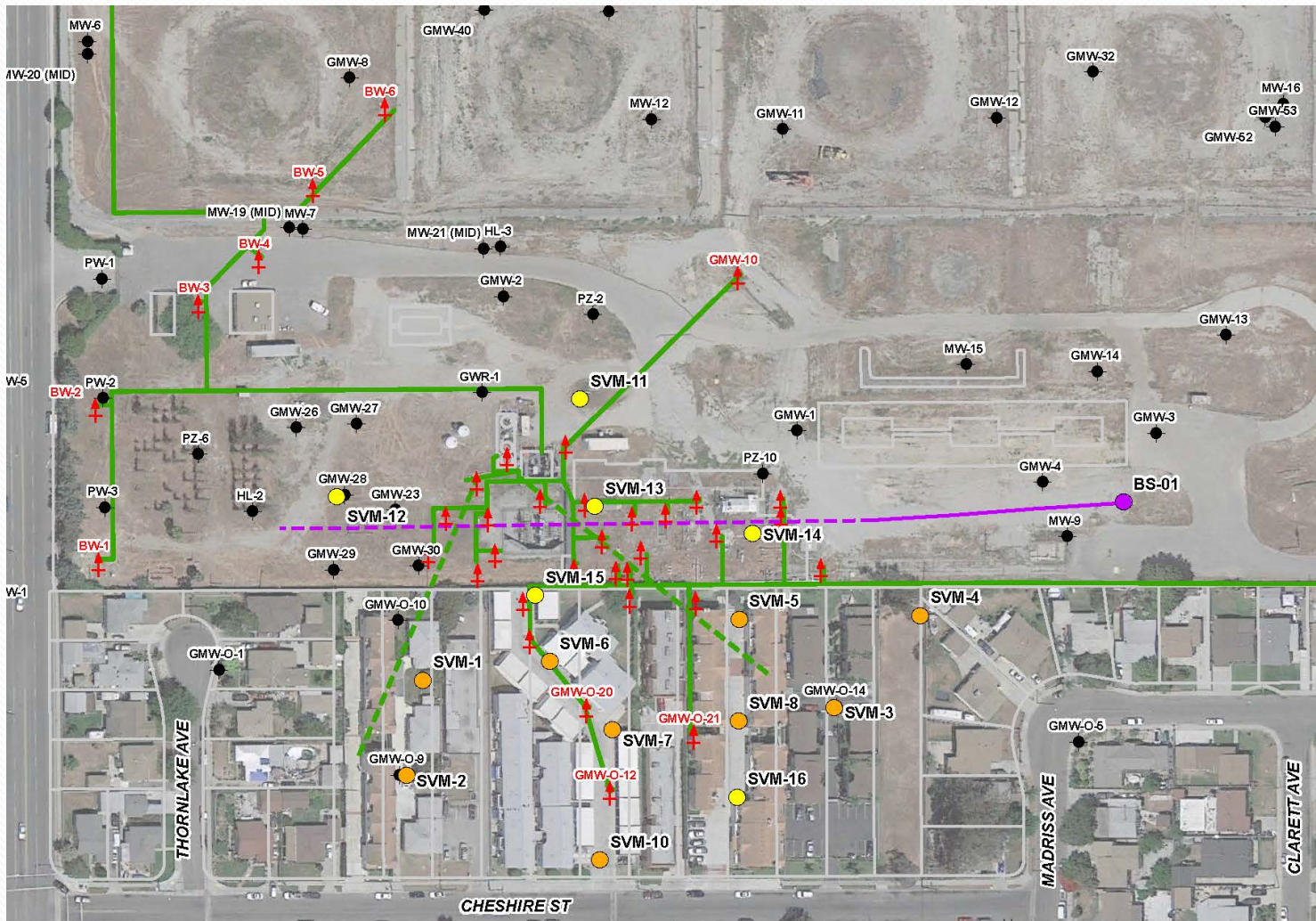
- Continue SVE and TFE in south-central and southeastern areas
- Continue as-need hand bailing product from wells without TFE capabilities
- Complete electrical and conveyance work associated with biosparge and Operations SCADA system – 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR 2015
- Begin operation of biosparge well – 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> QTR 2015
- Install new oil water separator and remediation pad for GWTS – 4<sup>th</sup> QTR 2015



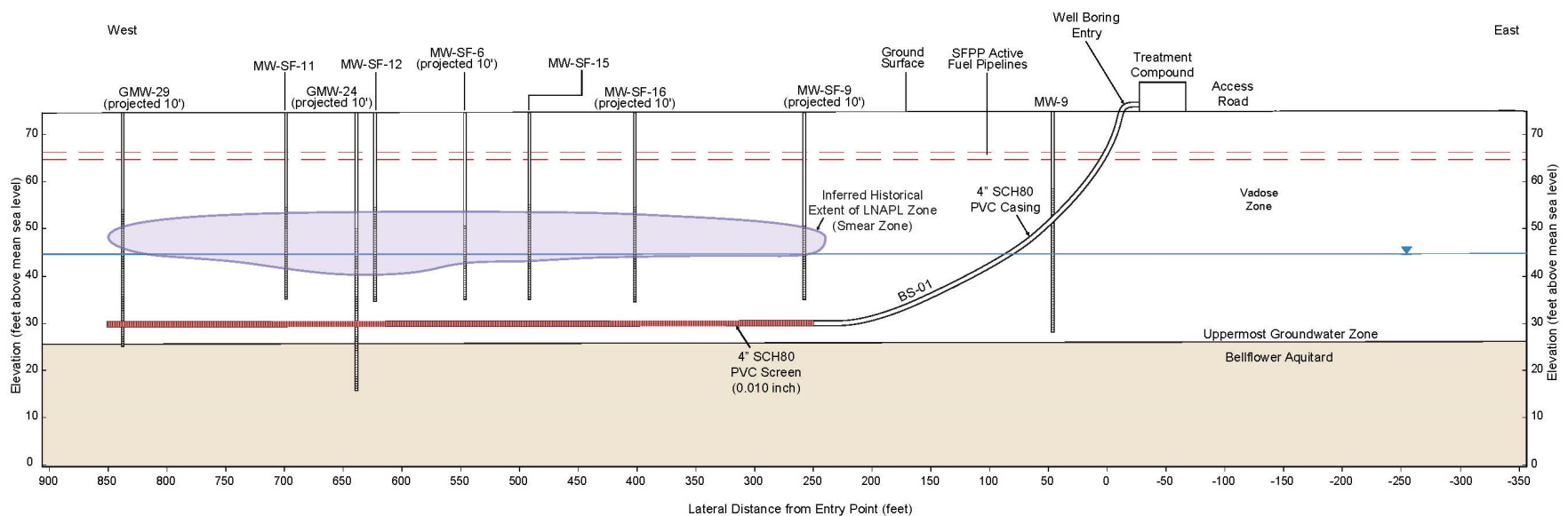
# Pilot Testing Program

- Baseline Testing
  - Soil vapor and groundwater samples collected prior to start-up to establish baseline data
- Short Term Test
  - 2 to 3 day test for zone of influence evaluation
  - Operate system at 0.5 cfm/ft to 1.0 cfm/ft
  - Observe lateral and vertical zone of influence
    - Changes in water levels, groundwater DO and detection of SF6 tracer
    - Changes in vadose zone VOCs, O<sub>2</sub>, and CO<sub>2</sub>
- Long Term Test
  - Operate system up to 1 year and monitor soil vapor and groundwater conditions on monthly basis for first 6 months then quarterly thereafter

# Biosparge Well and Soil Vapor Probe Layout

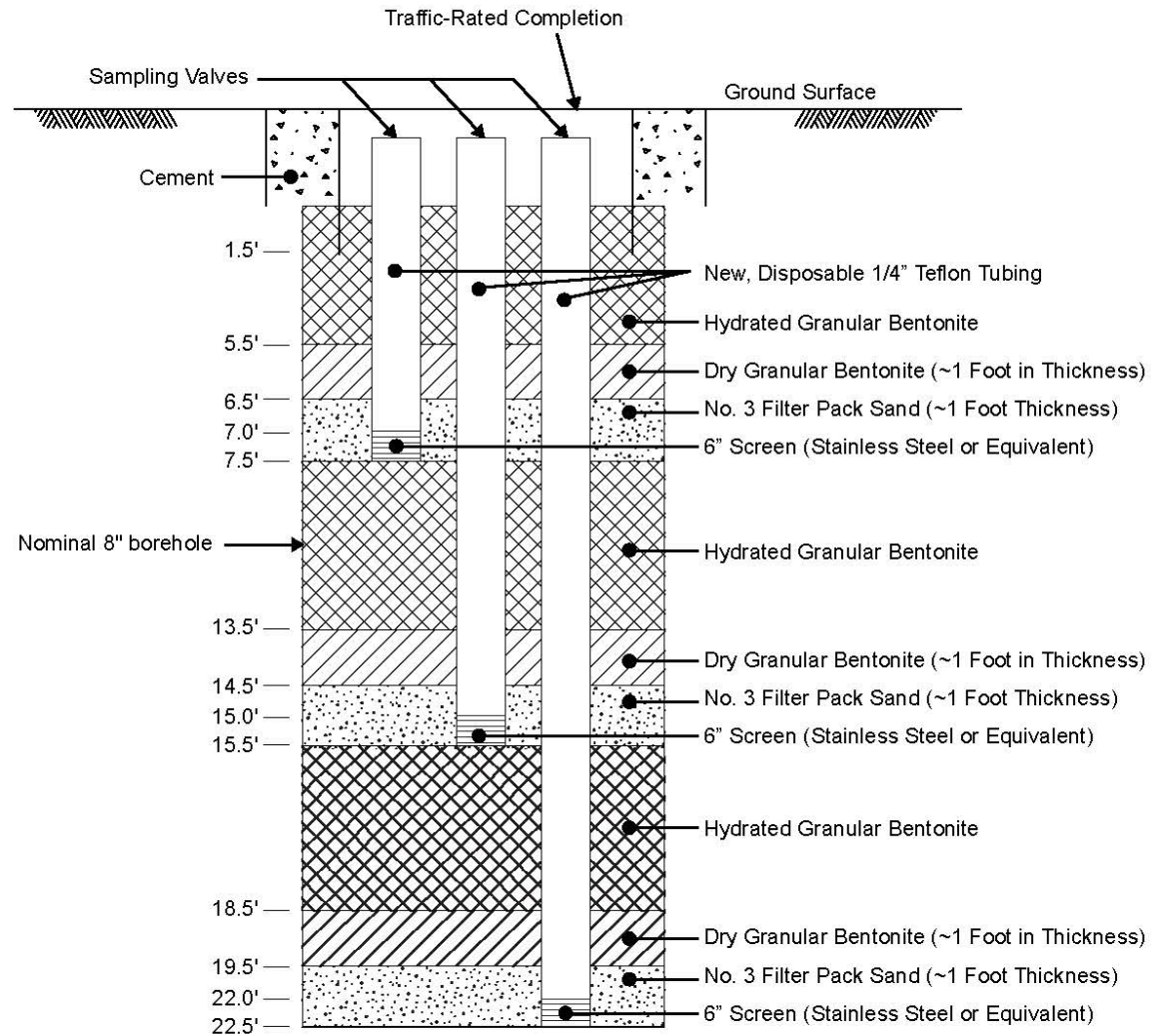


# Horizontal Well Construction



- Well Casing and Screen
  - SCH 80 PVC 4-inch diameter well
  - Open slot design (no sand pack required); slot width 0.010 inches, 11 slots per foot, 1.2 inches length; 0.28 to 0.30 % open area
  - Screen depth of 45 feet bgs
  - 250 feet of riser casing; 600 feet of screen

# Soil Vapor Probe Construction



Not to Scale

# Contingency Planning

- SVE Interlock
  - Biosparging will only occur if the SVE system is online
  - Interlock installed so that biosparge system shuts off if SVE system goes down
- Soil Vapor Monitoring
  - Monitoring of offsite soil vapor probes monthly to assess potential offgassing
- Immediate response to odor complaints
  - Field team will respond to residents immediately and collect indoor air samples if odors are reported



# First Semiannual 2015

## Groundwater Monitoring Report

- Site-wide monitoring in April 2015 – both KMEP and DLA Energy
- Well Gauging by Blaine Tech and SGI
  - 158 wells gauged in 162 wells (5 wells dry)
- Well Sampling by Blaine Tech and SGI
  - Low-flow sampling methods
  - 108 wells sampled
  - SFPP and DLA remediation systems remained offline during gauging activities

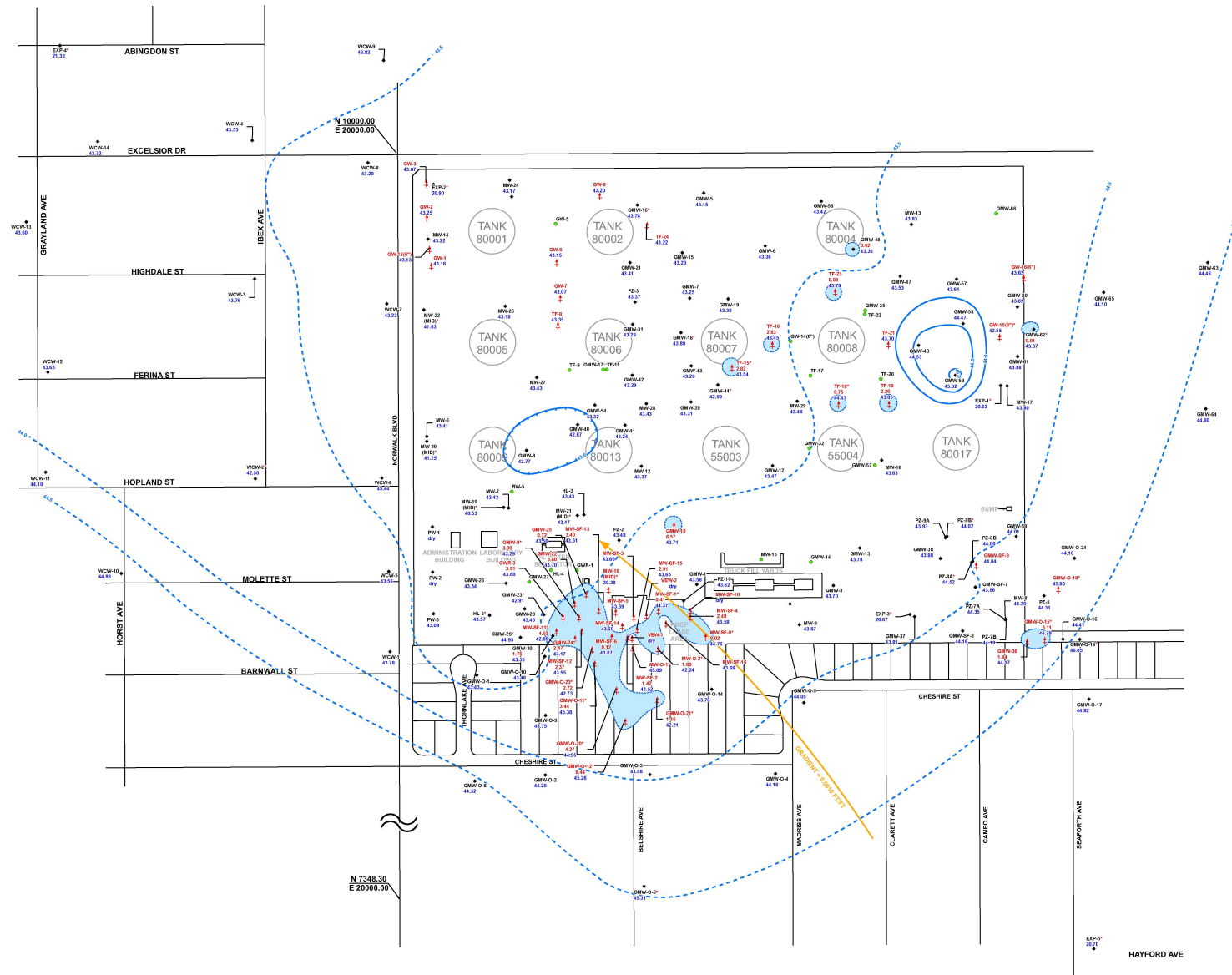


# First Semiannual 2015

## Groundwater Monitoring Report

- Uppermost Aquifer Groundwater Elevations and Flow
  - Groundwater elevations approximately 0.8 foot lower than those reported for April 2014
  - Groundwater elevations near historical lows since monitoring first began in 1990s
  - Horizontal hydraulic gradient of 0.0010 ft/ft toward the northwest
- Exposition Aquifer Groundwater Elevations and Flow
  - Groundwater elevations were approximately 2.4 feet lower than those reported for April 2014
  - Horizontal groundwater gradient was approximately 0.0002 ft/ft toward the east-southeast, substantially different than the uppermost groundwater zone

# Groundwater Elevations - Water Table





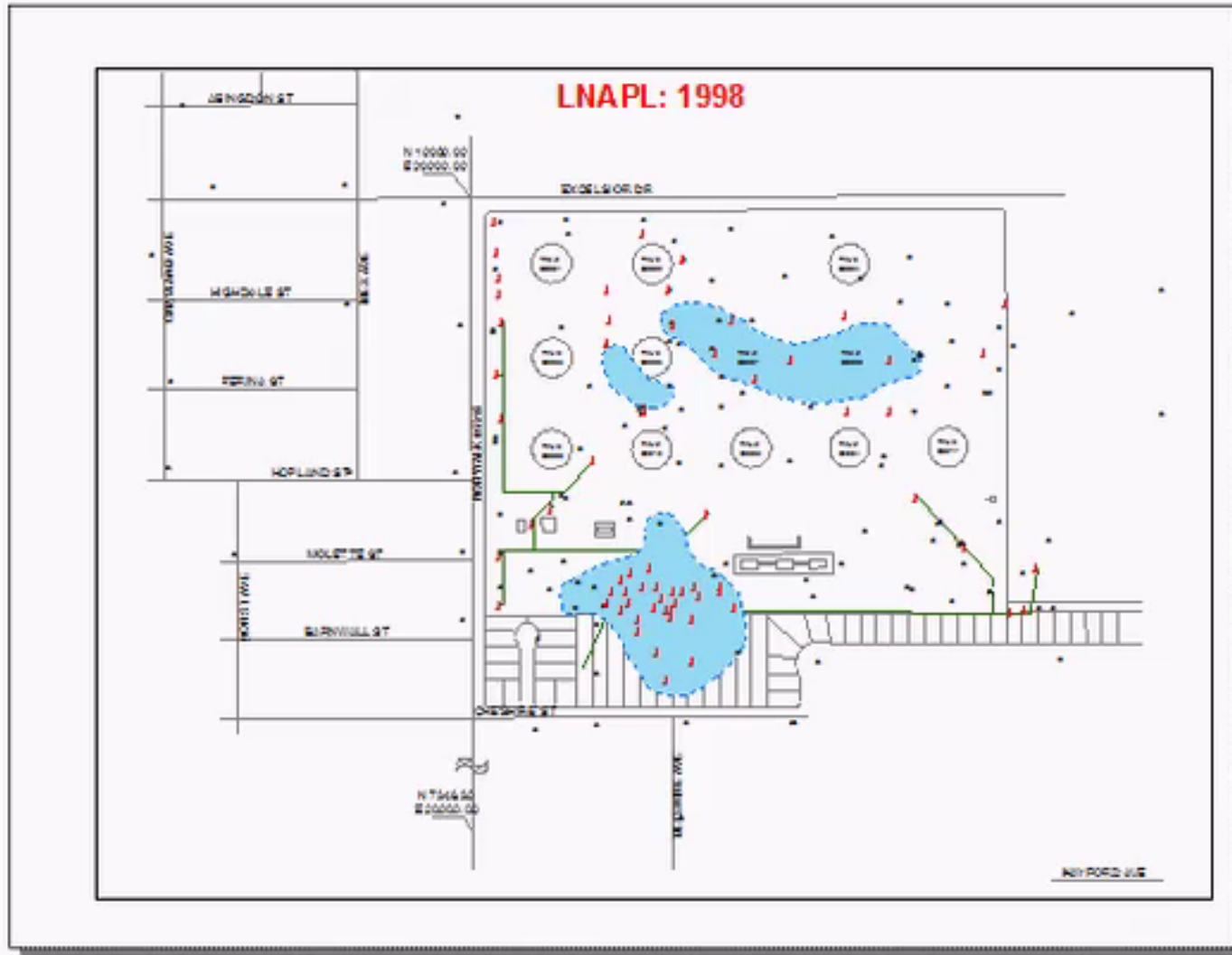




# First Semiannual 2015 Groundwater Monitoring Report

- Free product measured in 31 of the 162 wells that were gauged.
  - North-central area: GMW-45, TF-15, TF-16, TF-18, TF-19, and TF-23
  - Eastern area: GMW-62
  - South-central area: GMW-9, GMW-10, GMW-22, GMW-24, GMW-25, GMW-30, GMW-O-11, GMW-O-12, GMW-O-20, GMW-O-21, GMW-O-23, GWR-3, MW-O-2, MW-SF-1, MW-SF-2, MW-SF-4, MW-SF-6, MW-SF-9, MW-SF-11, MW-SF-12, MW-SF-13, and MW-SF-15
  - Southeastern area: GMW-36 and GMW-O-15
- Thicknesses ranged from 0.01 foot to 9.02 feet
- Measurable free product observed in these areas was greater than past events, due to a continued decline in water levels across the site.

# LNAPL Extent – 1998 to 2015



# First Semiannual 2015

## Groundwater Monitoring Report

- Exposition Aquifer wells sampled:
  - EXP-1, -2, and -3 sampled twice by DLA Energy and SFPP
  - EXP-4 sampled once by SFPP
  - EXP-5 sampled once by SFPP
- All analytical results were Non Detect (ND), except for the following:
  - MTBE was detected at EXP-1 in the SFPP split sample at a concentration of 1.1 ug/L near the laboratory reporting limit
- These types of low-level detections occasionally occur in the EXP wells. SFPP and DLA Energy will continue to monitor the EXP wells and closely watch for any future potential detections.



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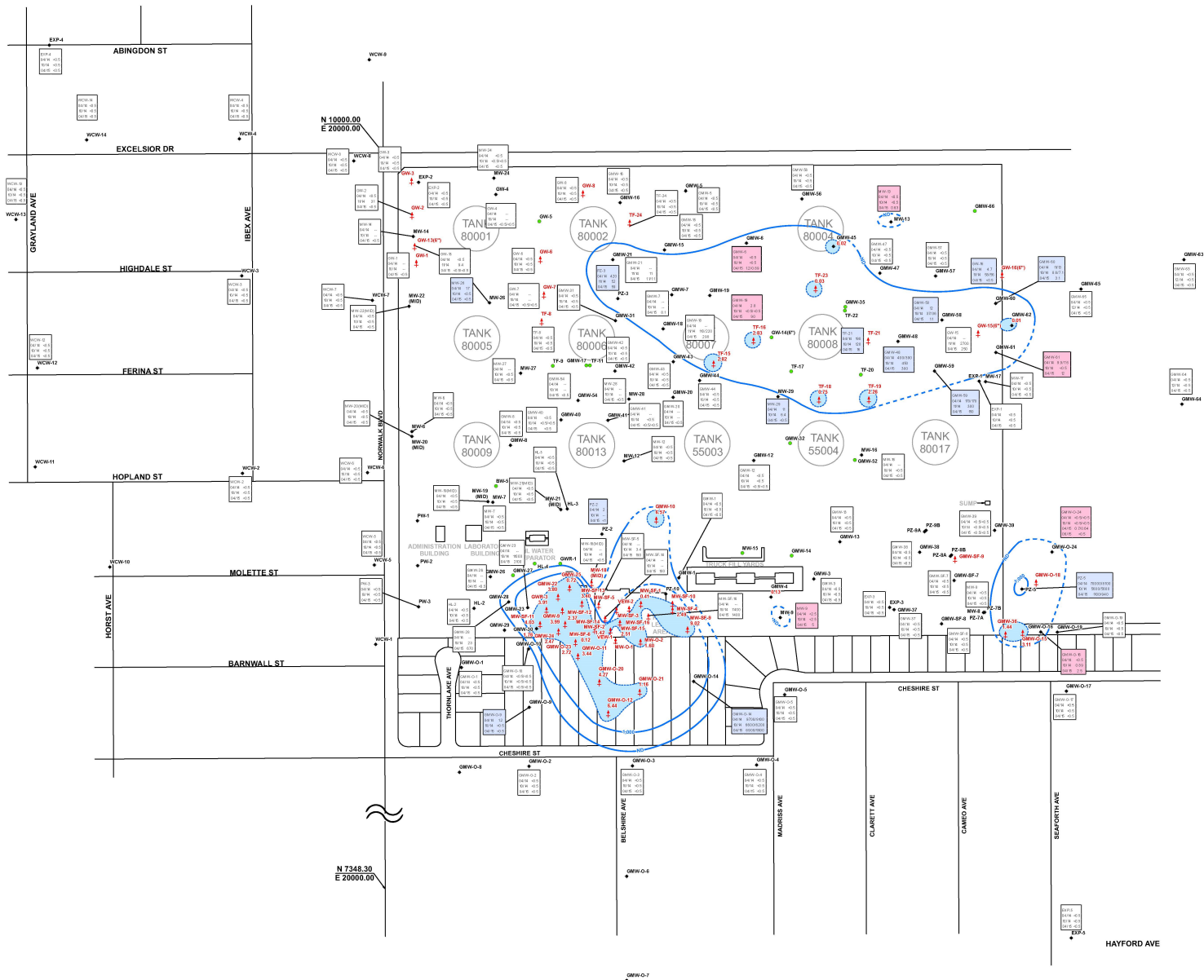
## Groundwater Monitoring Report

- Uppermost Aquifer Wells
  - In most areas, the lateral extents of TPH, benzene, 1-2-DCA, MTBE, and TBA in groundwater remain similar to those interpreted during previous monitoring events
- Concentrations influenced by water level fluctuations
- Free product accumulation in several remediation and monitoring wells increased since previous semiannual events, due to continued declining and historically low water level elevations across the site.

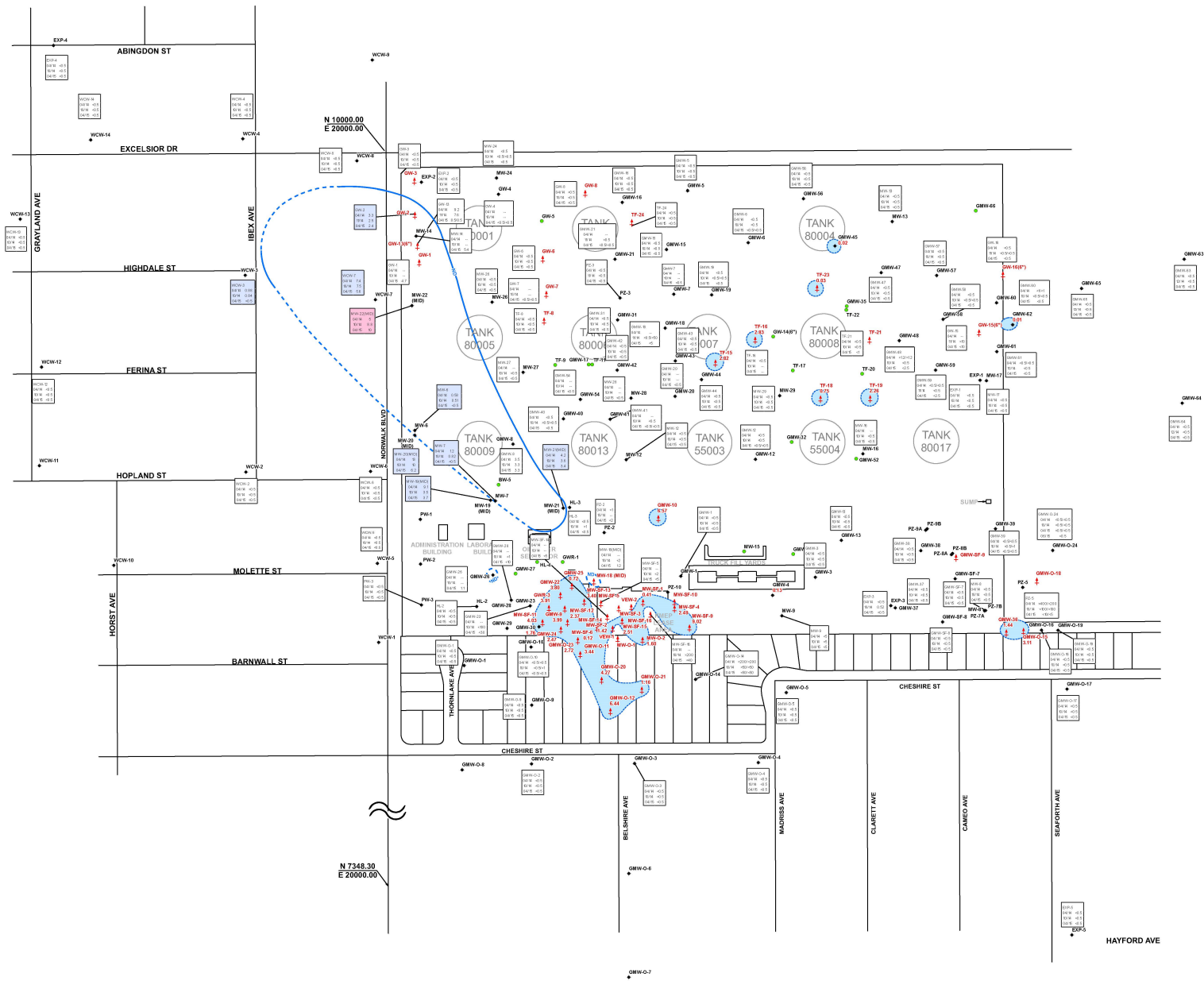
# Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons



# Benzene

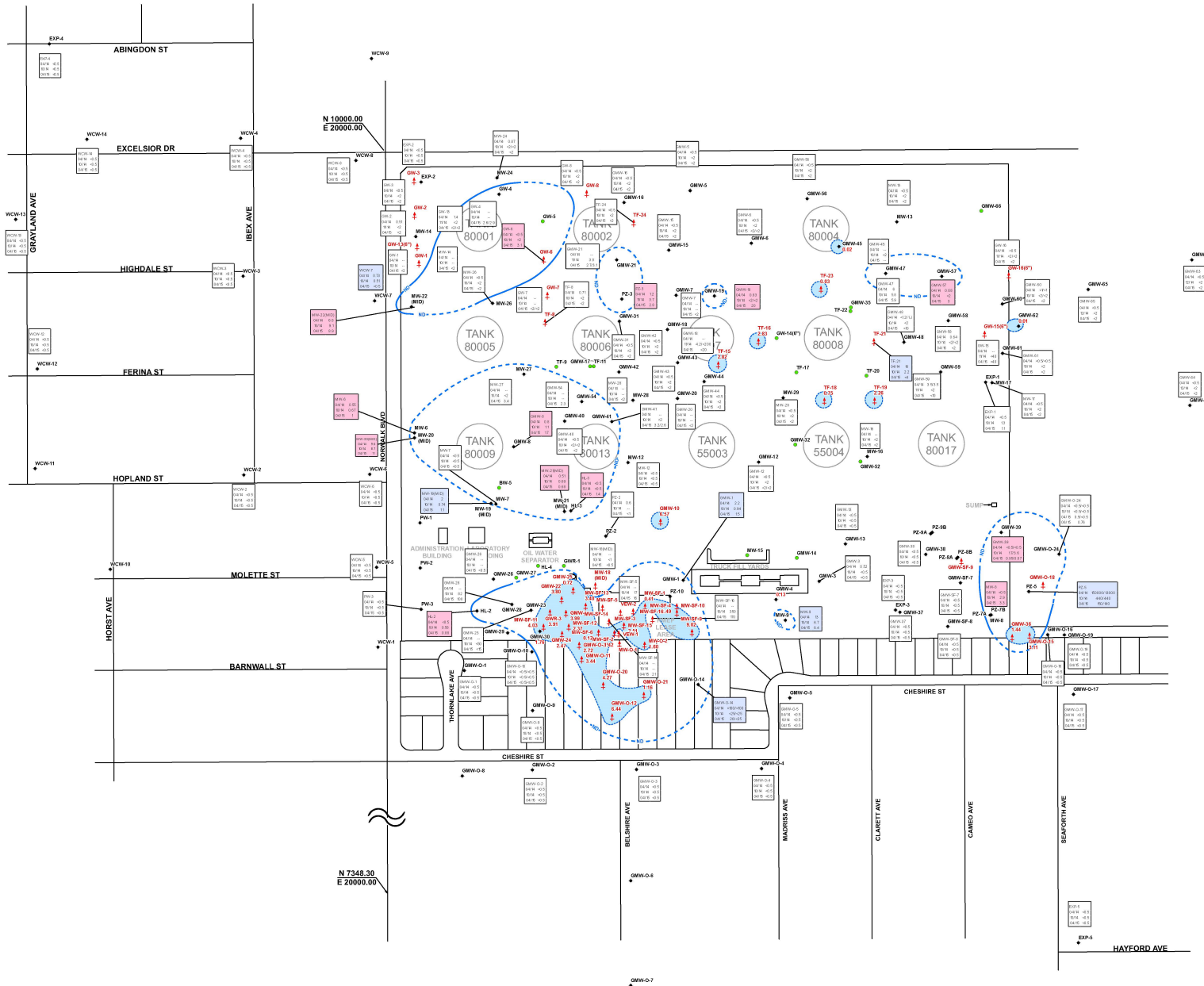


# 1,2-DCA

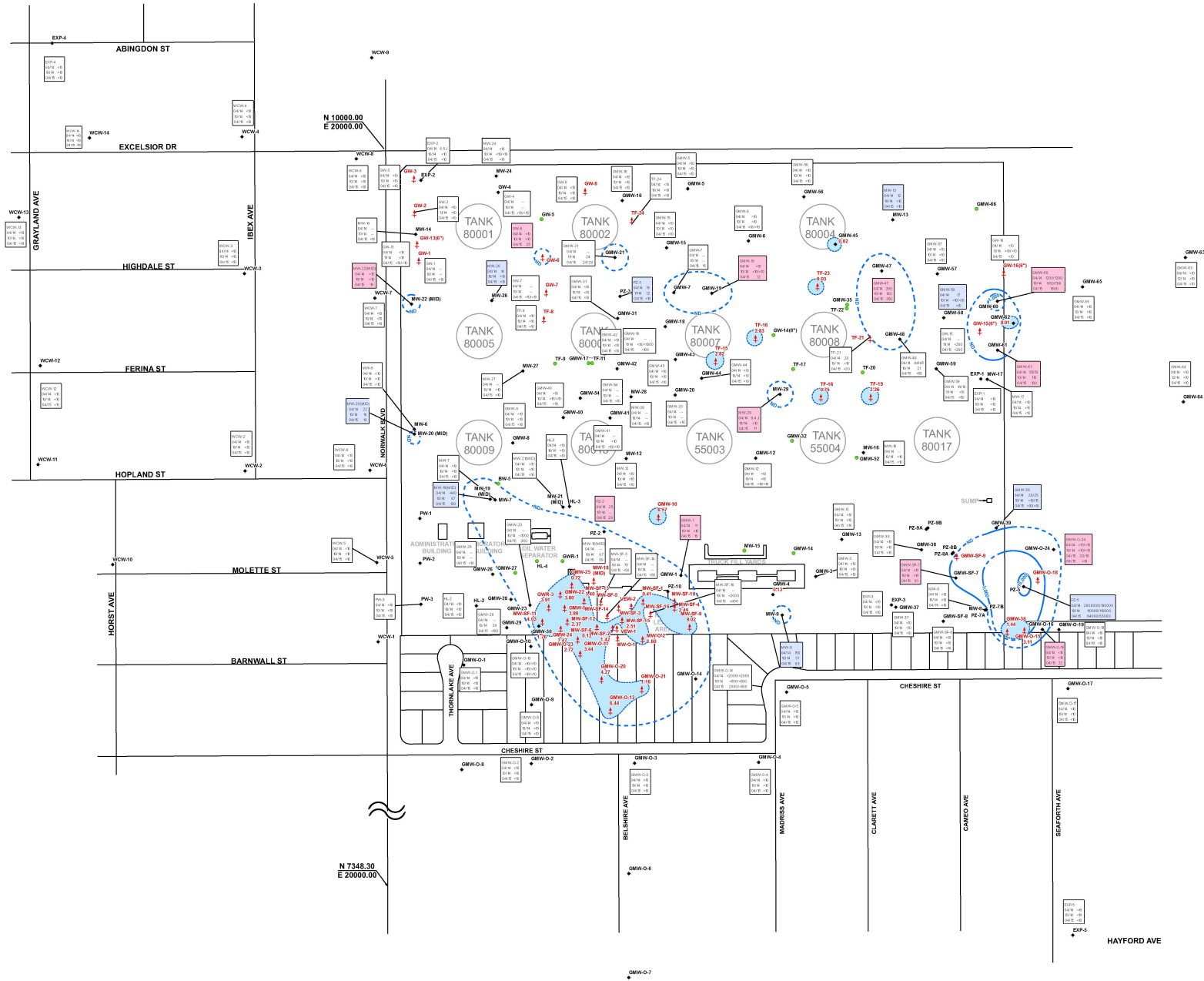




# MTBE



# TBA





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