

# Vieques Restoration Advisory Board Meeting Environmental Restoration Program Update

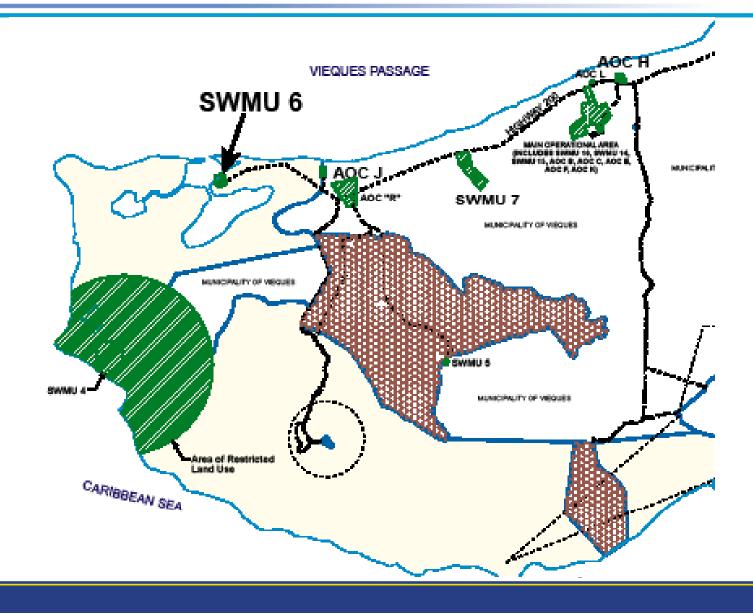
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## **SWMU 6 Post-Removal Supplemental Confirmation Sampling Results**

#### **SWMU 6 – Location**





### **SWMU 6 – Before Removal Action**





### SWMU 6 – November 2010





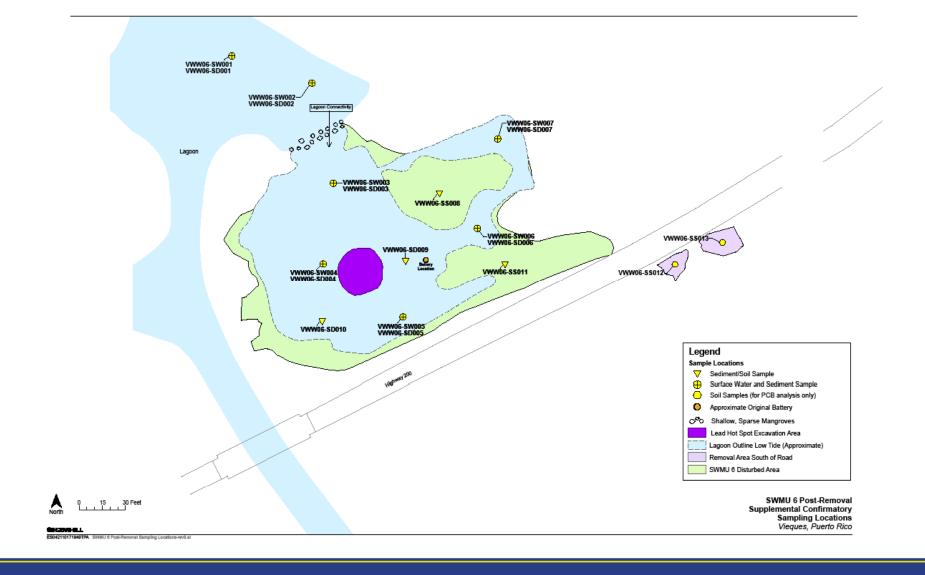
# SWMU 6 – Collecting Sediment with a Ponar Dredge (like a clam shell)





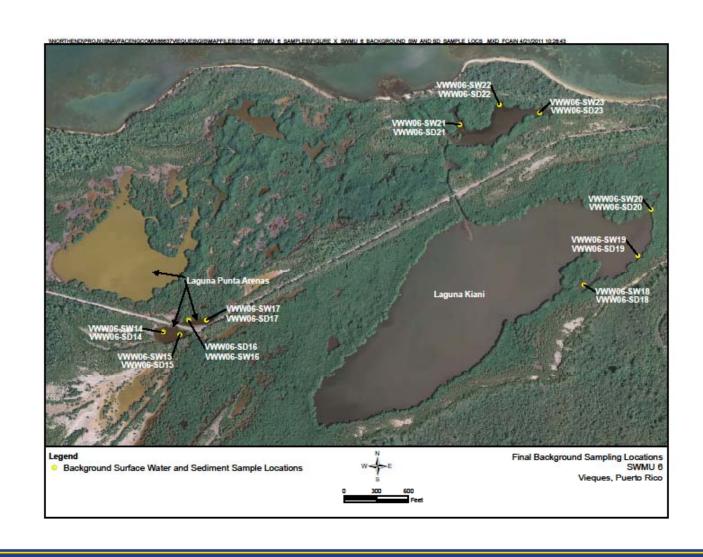
### Post-Removal Supplemental Confirmatory **Sampling Locations**





### **Background Sample Locations**





# Post-Removal Supplemental Confirmatory Samples



#### SWMU 6

- 13 soil/sediment samples
- 7 surface water samples
- Samples analyzed for:
  - volatile organic compounds (VOCs)
  - semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs)
  - pesticides
  - PCBs
  - inorganics (metals)

#### Background

- 10 sediment samples
- 10 surface water samples
- Samples analyzed for:
  - pesticides
  - PCBs
  - inorganics (metals)

### SWMU 6 Soil/Sediment Sample Results



- No VOC exceedances
- Exceedances for 2 SVOCs
  - Benzo(a)pyrene at 7 locations
  - Benzo(b)fluoranthene at 2 locations
- Exceedances for 3 Pesticides
  - 4,4-DDD at 8 locations
  - 4,4-DDE at 7 locations
  - 4,4-DDT at 2 locations
- Exceedances for 1 PCB
  - Aroclor 1254 at 3 locations
- Exceedances for 8 metals

### **SWMU 6 Surface Water Sample Results**



- No VOC exceedances
- No SVOC exceedances
- No pesticide exceedances
- No PCB detections
- Exceedances for 4 metals

### **Preliminary Data Evaluation**



- Risk screening identified:
  - Potentially unacceptable risk to people who might eat fish from lagoon
  - Potentially unacceptable risk to aquatic animals living in lagoon or foraging in lagoon

### Preliminary Data Evaluation, continued



- This risk screening is based on very conservative assumptions of contaminant concentrations in aquatic plants and/or animals (including fish)
  - These assumptions use the surface water and sediment data to predict the concentrations that may be in the aquatic plants and/or animals
  - These assumptions often overestimate actual risk



### **Questions?**