



## Environmental Restoration Program Naval Air Station Patuxent River

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# Restoration Advisory Board Meeting

17 October 2017



# Agenda



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## Introductions

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**Environmental Restoration, Site 31**

**Interim Removal Action, Site 55**

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## Open Discussion

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**Future Restoration Advisory Board  
Meeting Dates**



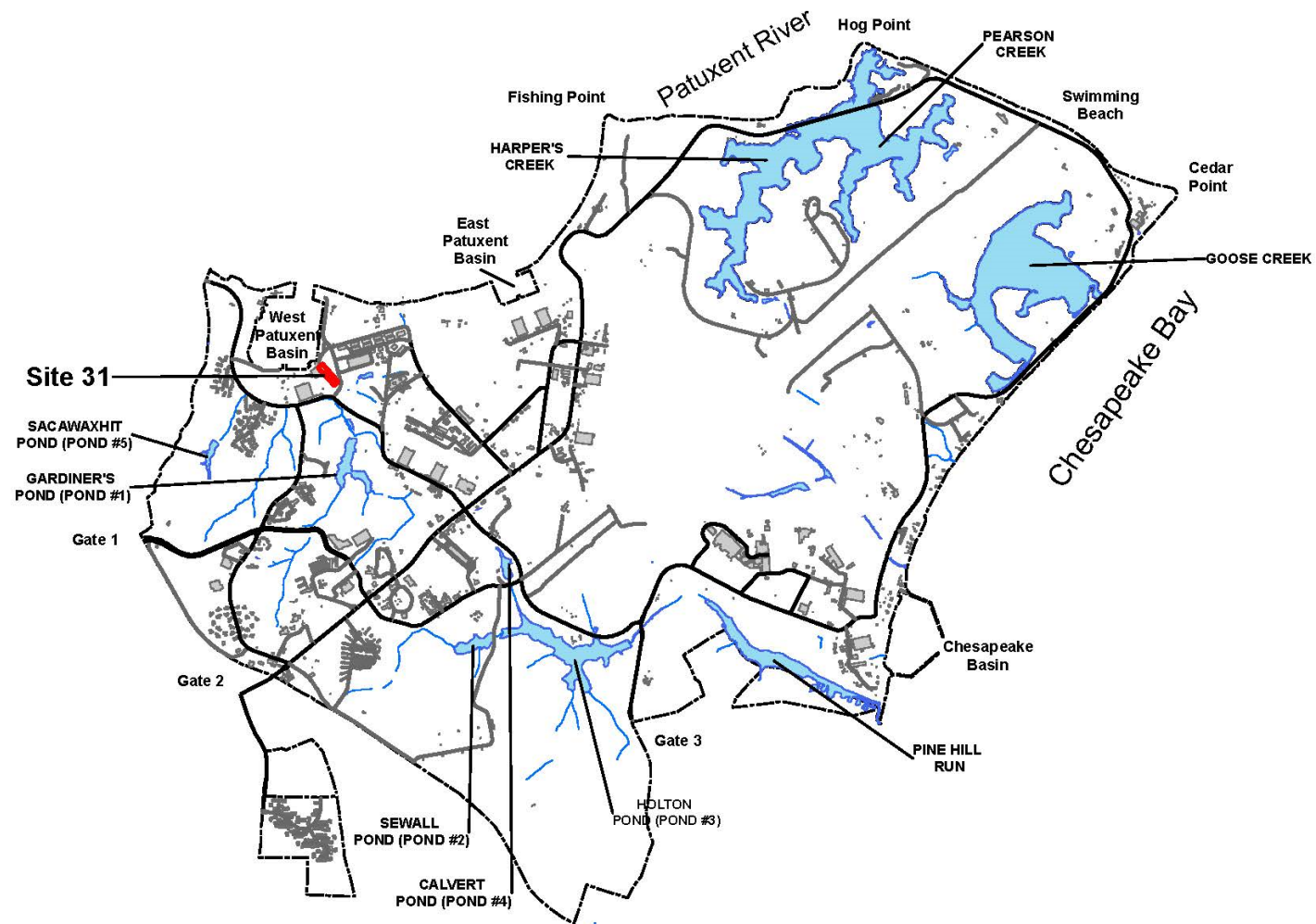
# Introductions



- Introduce team members



# Site 31 Location



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# Site 31 Layout



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## Site 31 History



- Building 307 was used to conduct airplane parts maintenance and testing
  - Cleaning aircraft tires
  - Repairing fiberglass ray domes
  - Painting aircraft ground handling equipment
- Activities required the use of solvents, specifically trichloroethene (TCE)



## Site 31 History



- Prior to 1970, waste liquids flowed into floor drains that discharged to an open ditch north and east of the building
- In 1970, a floor sump was constructed to convey the liquids to aboveground drums
- At the same time, the ditch was enclosed in a storm drain









# Site 31 Investigation/Removal History



- 1984-1987 – Initial Assessment Study
- 1999 – Site Screening Investigation
- 2004 – Expanded Site Investigation
- 2005 – Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis
- 2007 – Interim Removal Action (small soil removal)
- 2008 – 2016 Remedial Investigation



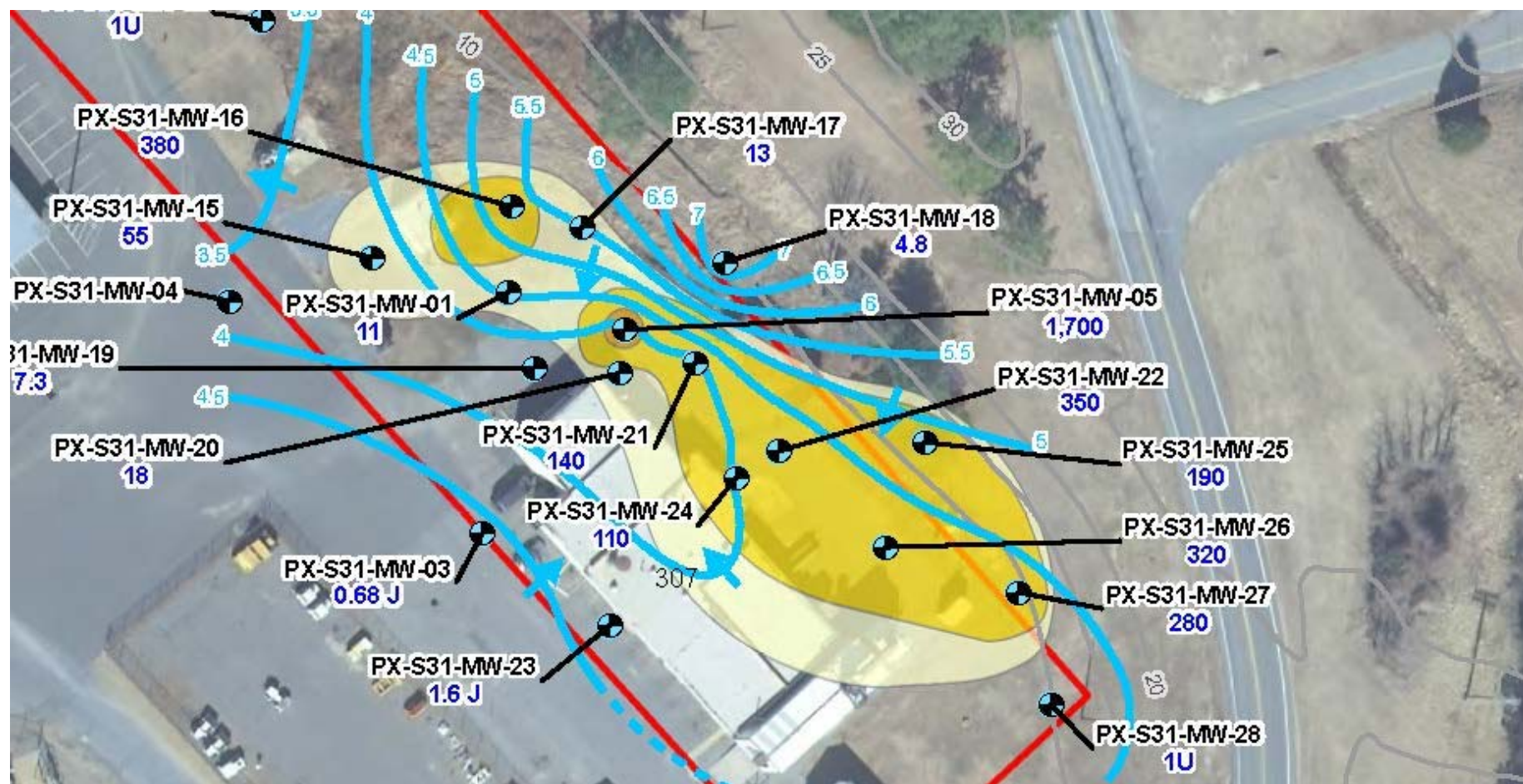
# Site 31 Remedial Investigation



- Findings
  - Volatile organic compounds (VOCs), specifically TCE and its natural degradation products are present in groundwater
  - Some metals contamination remains in soil
- Risk Summary
  - Human health risks are present associated with the hypothetical future consumption of groundwater
  - Ecological risk due to residual metals in soil



# VOC Concentration Map





## Preferred Cleanup Alternative



- Soil excavation and insitu bioremediation
  - Remove metals-impacted soils and dispose in approved landfill
  - Inject vegetable oil into the ground to induce natural bacteria to degrade VOCs
    - Monitor results
    - Reinject if necessary
  - Employ land use controls to ensure that consumption of groundwater is prevented





# Insitu Bioremediation



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# Site 31 Remedial Action



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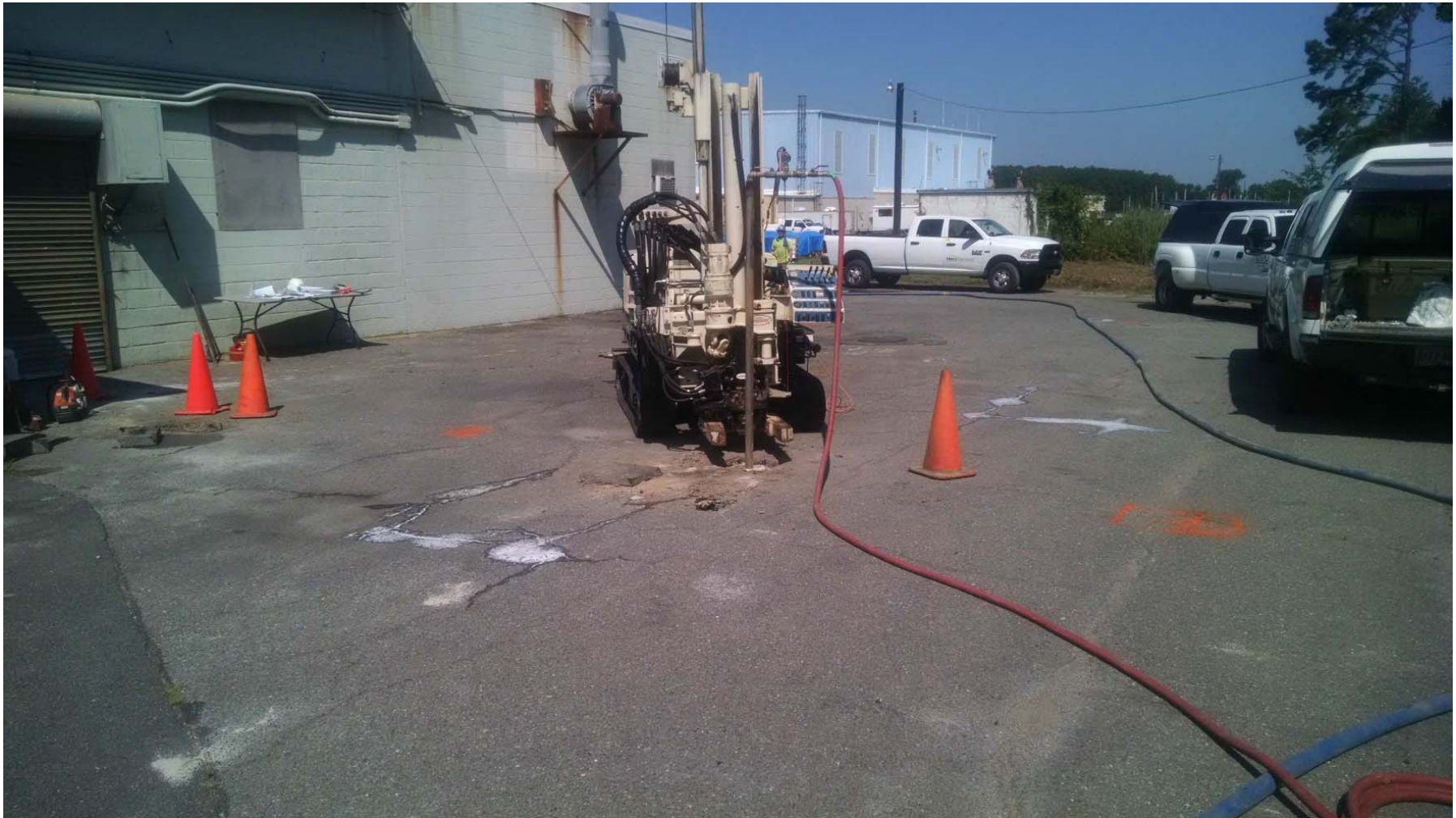


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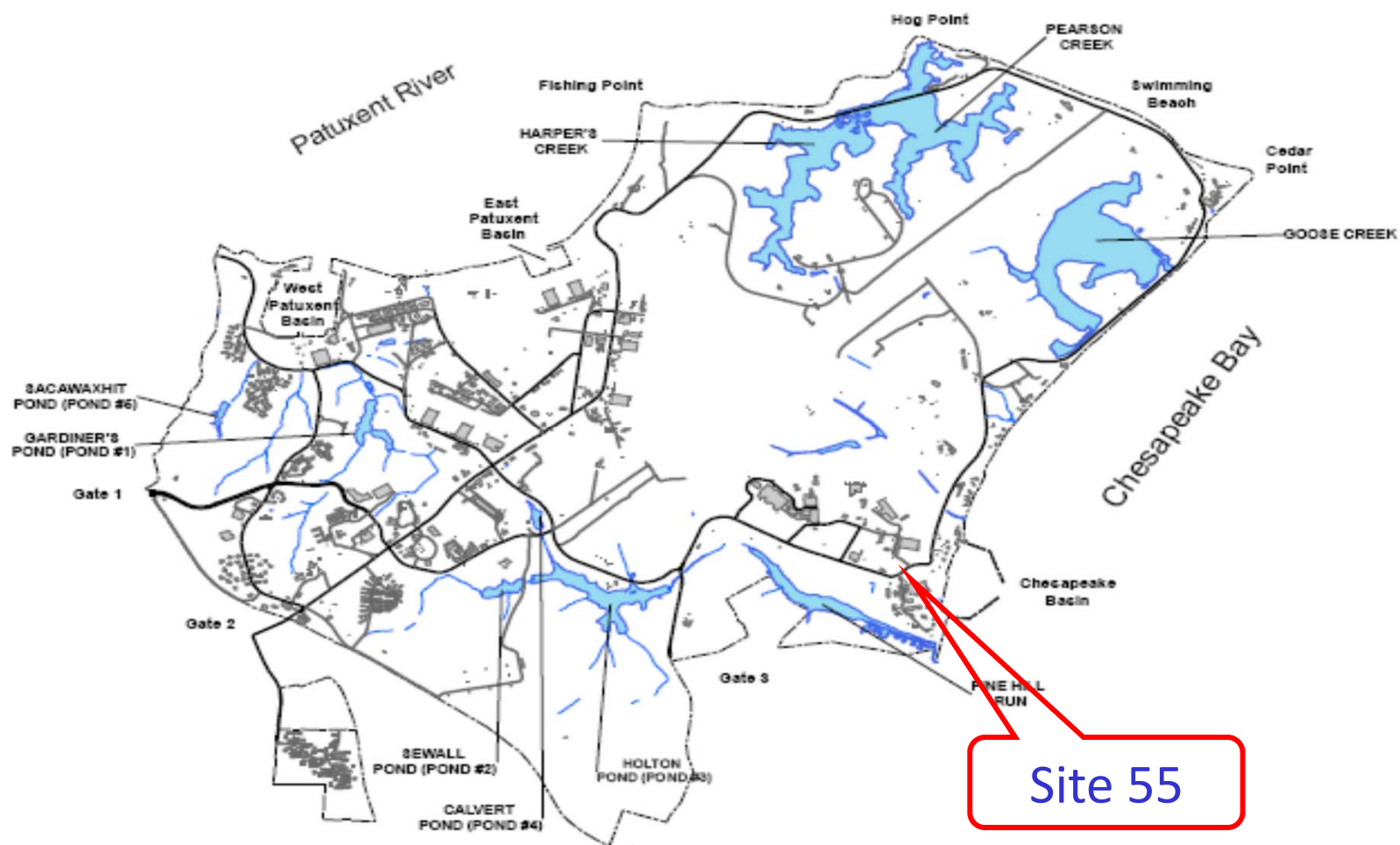
## Path Forward



- Completed groundwater injections and soil excavation in August
- Generate Land Use Control document
- Monitor VOC concentrations in groundwater quarterly, until cleanup goal is achieved
- Additional injections if warranted in the future

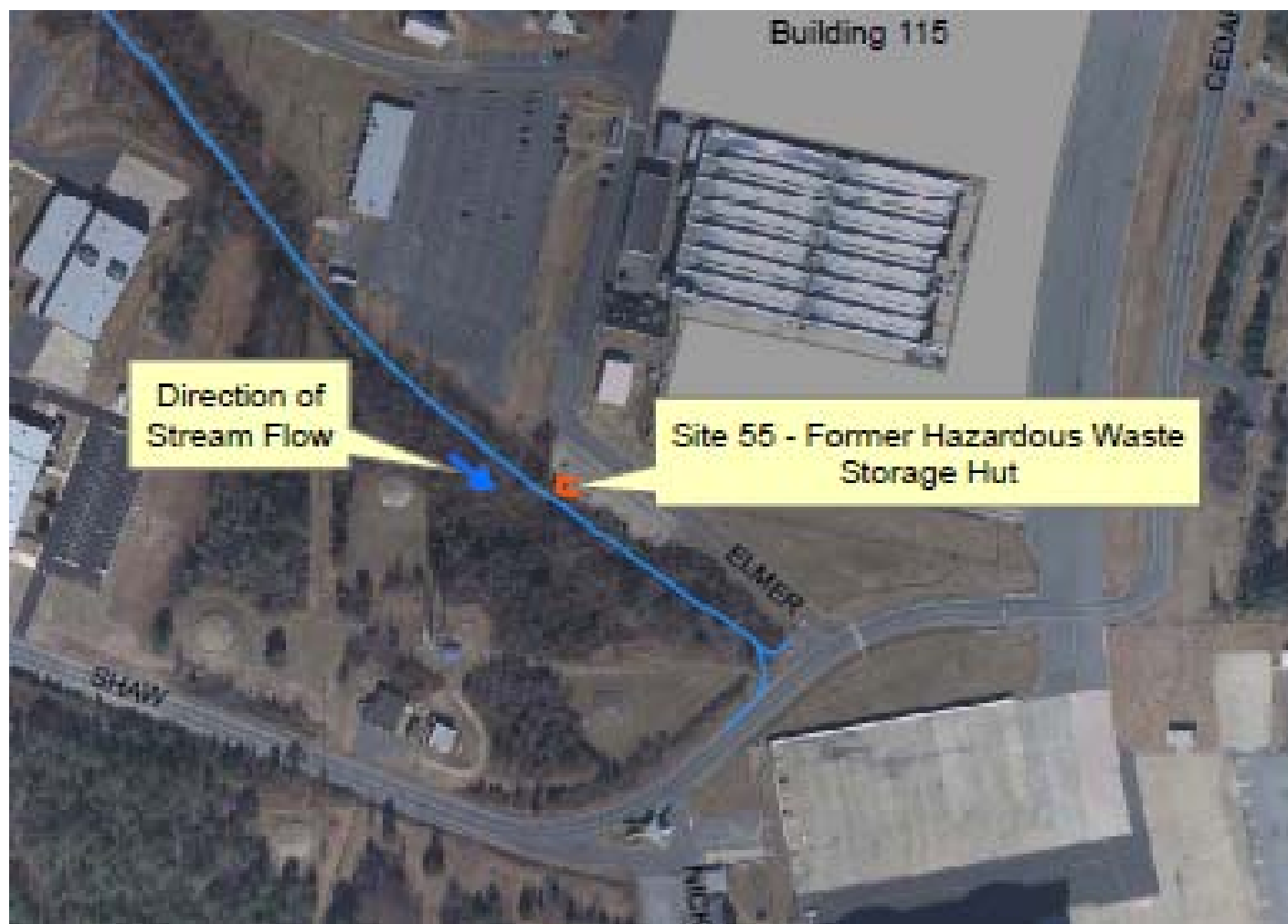


## Site 55 – PCBs in Sediment





## Site Layout





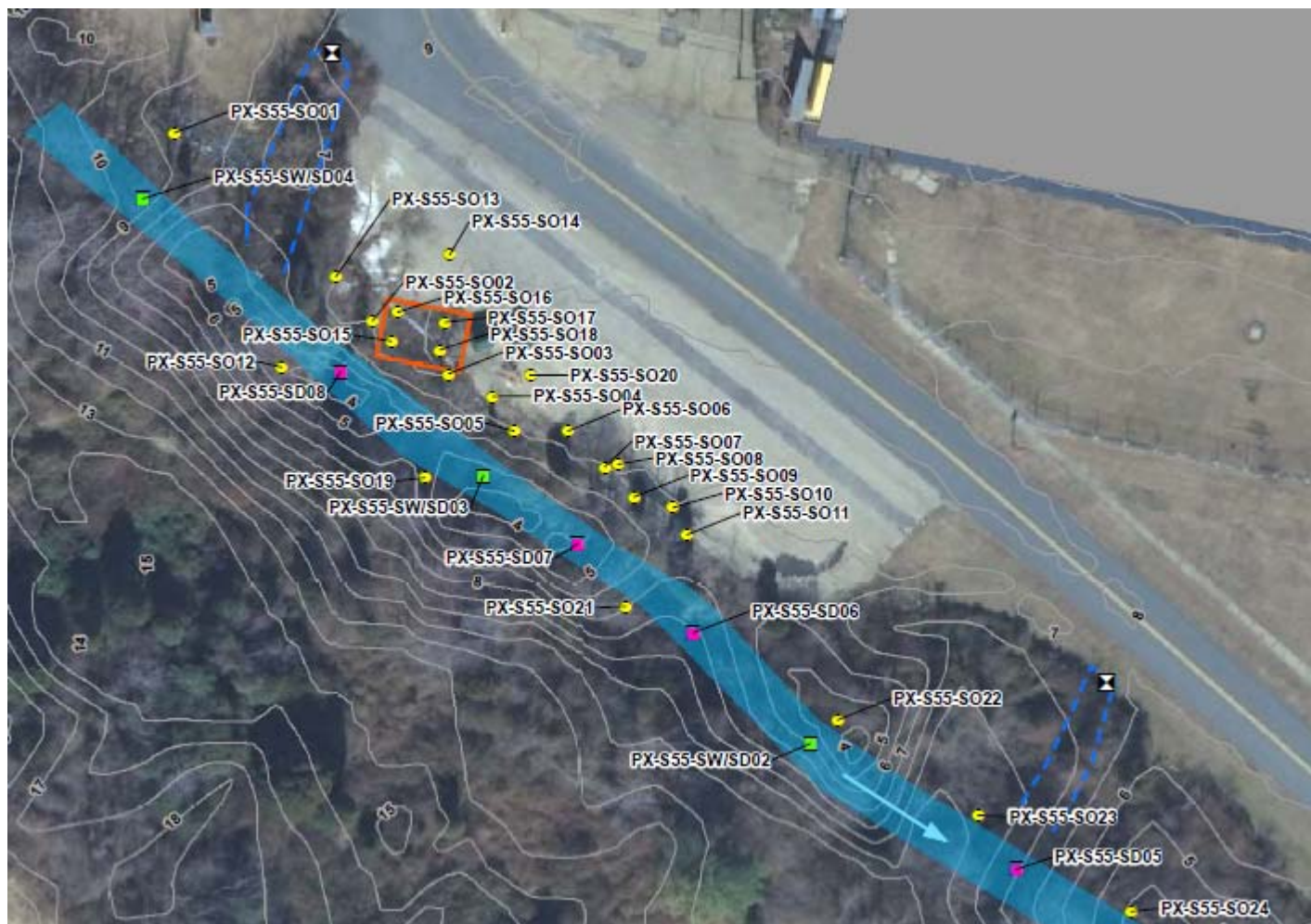
# History



- PCBs stored in a hazardous waste storage hut adjacent to the site
- Performed a remedial investigation
  - PCBs identified in stream sediment
  - Low concentrations of VOCs identified in groundwater



# Sample Locations



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# Non-Time Critical Removal Action



- PCBs identified in sediment present ecological risk to stream biota
- Simplest, most cost-effective solution: excavate and dispose of sediment, backfill with clean fill



# Removal Action



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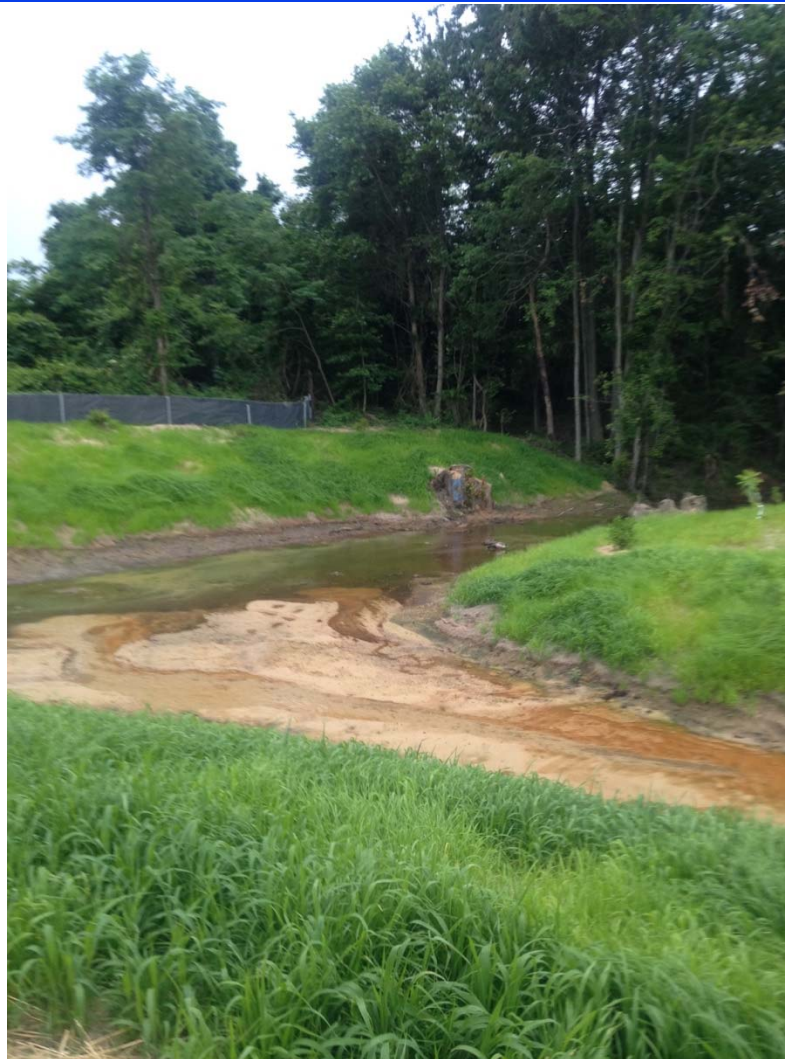


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## Path Forward



- Low concentrations of VOCs in groundwater
  - Additional groundwater sampling to determine if action is warranted
  - If so, likely to occur in 2019
  - If not, sign a no further action record of decision and close site



## Questions/Open Discussion



- Questions?
- Comments?
- Input?



# Proposed Future RAB Meeting Schedule\*



- Spring 2018: 18 April 2018
- Fall 2018: 7 November 2018

\*Dates are tentative



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Have a good fall and winter -  
we'll see you in the spring!