

Statement of Basis SWMUs 5 and 7

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Acronyms Used in this Presentation

- CA Corrective Action
- CAD Corrective Action Design
- CMS Corrective Measures Study
- COC Chemical of Concern
- IRA Interim Remedial Action
- LUC Land Use Control
- PCB Polychlorinated biphenyl
- PM Permit Modification





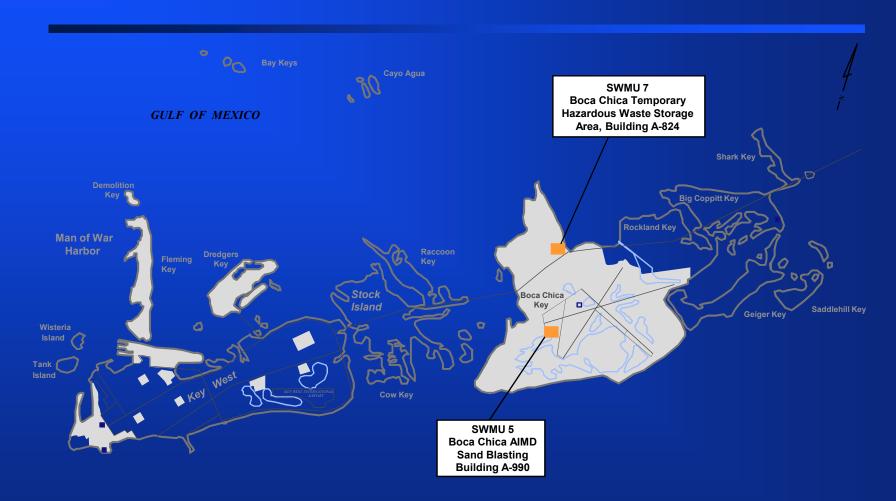
More Acronyms

- ppm parts per million
- PR Preliminary Review
- RCRA Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
- RFA RCRA Facility Assessment
- RFI RCRA Facility Investigation
- RGO Remedial Goal Option
- SOB Statement of Basis
- SWMU Solid Waste Management Unit
- VSI Visual Site Inspection



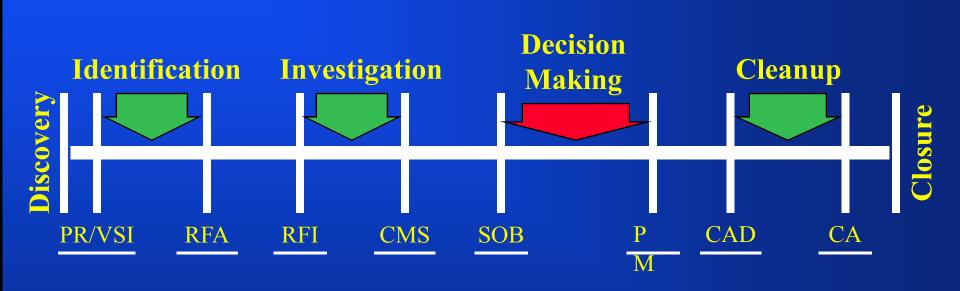


Site Map





The Typical Life of a RCRA Site



IRA



Purpose of Statement of Basis

- Identify proposed remedy
- Explain the rationale for its selection
 - Describe all the remedies evaluated in the CMS
 - Summarize findings of RCRA Facility Investigation
- Provide information to the public on involvement in the remedy selection process
- Solicit public review and comment



Selection of the Proposed Remedy

- Protection of human health and the environment
- Media cleanup standards
- Source control
- Waste management standards
- Long-term reliability and effectiveness
- Reduction in toxicity, mobility, or volume
- Short-term effectiveness
- Implementability
- Cost





SWMU 5 Boca Chica Open Disposal Area

- Located at the western end of the airfield on Boca Chica Key
- This 65-foot by 90-foot area has been used since the early 1970s for the removal of painted surfaces from ground support equipment, aircraft parts, and other metal objects
 - 1970s 1995: Sandblasting residue was normally left on the ground in the sandblasting area or stockpiled for disposal
 - Blasting residues were regularly collected, containerized, and disposed



SWMU 5 - Boca Chica Open Disposal Area (continued)

- Although much of the area surrounding the site is concrete, there is an earthen berm to the south and a grassy area and pond to the southwest
- Concrete ditch south of site carries runoff to pond



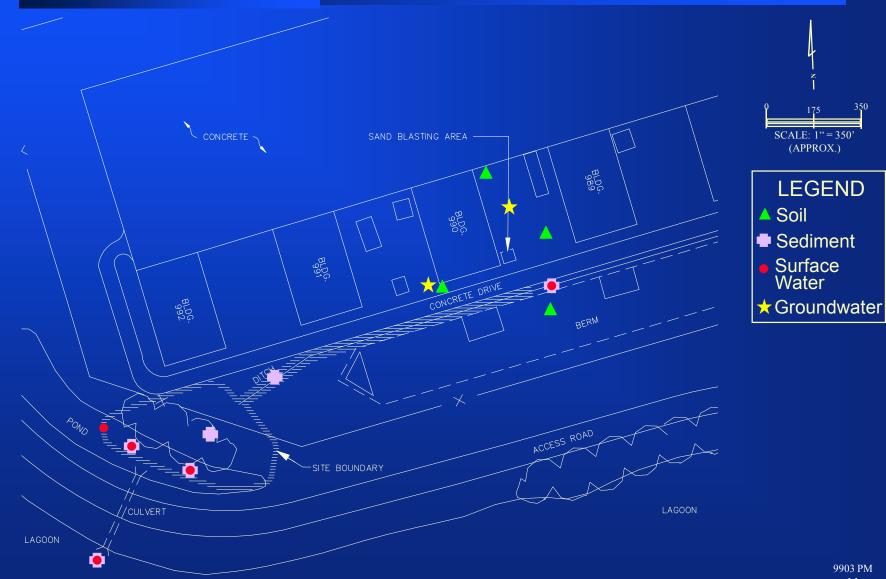


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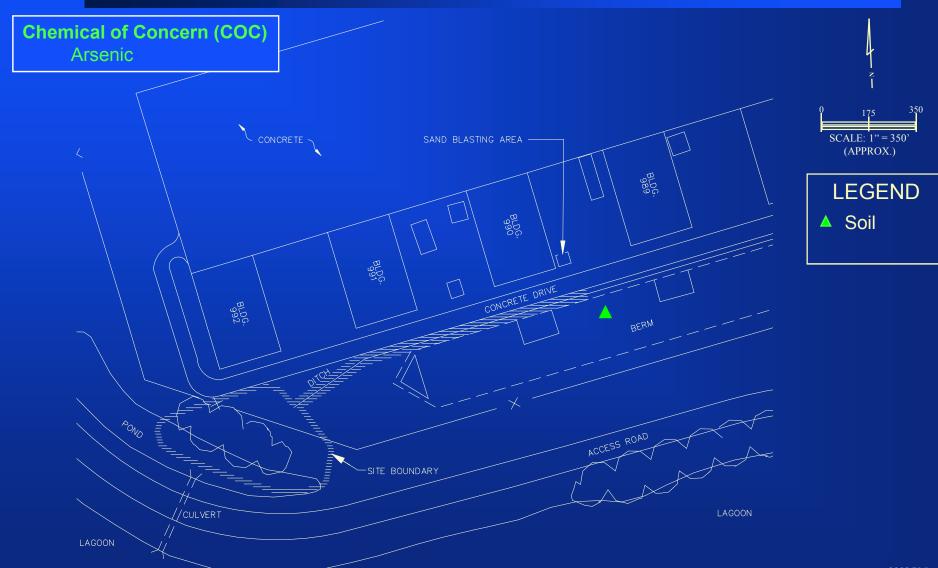


SWMU 5 Sample Locations



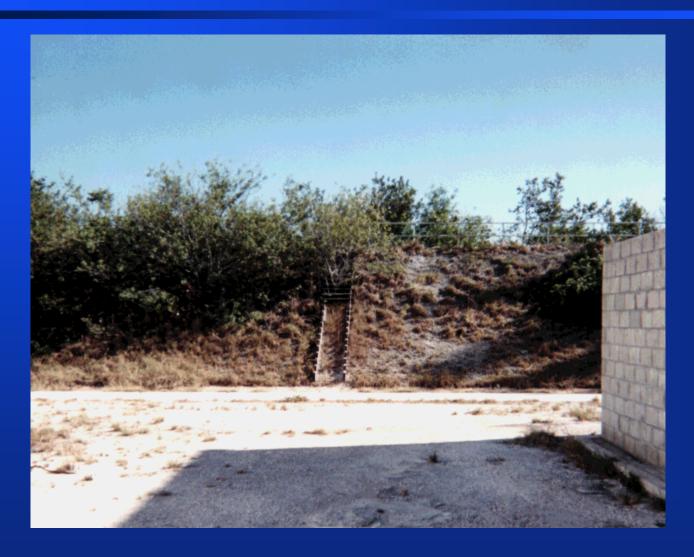


SWMU 5 COC Location Map





SWMU 5 Berm





Summary of Evaluated Remedies

- No Action
- Limited Action: land use controls and long-term monitoring
- Remove, treat, and dispose of soil from a hot spot above RGOs and land use controls





Proposed Remedy for SWMU 5

- Limited Action: land use controls and long-term monitoring
 - Human health COCs are in excess of thresholds
 - Potential Ecological risk is low
 - Unrestricted use of the site should not occur





SWMU 7 Boca Chica Building A-824

- Former temporary hazardous waste storage area
 - Transformers were stored onsite prior to final disposition
 - No recorded releases of contaminants, but transformer oil may have been dumped on ground north of building
 - 26 cubic yards of soil were excavated in 1995, reducing maximum Aroclor-1260 levels in soil from 30.8 ppm to 16.5 ppm
- Building A-824 currently houses a solvent recovery operation and is used for storage of empty drums, old transformers, and other equipment



Interim Remedial Action - SWMU 7

- Sampling was performed in 1991, 1995, and 1996 during a series of remedial investigations
- IRA was conducted in 1995
 - remove PCB-contaminated soils north of Building A-824
 - prevent further migration of PCBs into other media and biota at the site
- Approximately 26 cubic yards of soil were removed and disposed
- Backfilled with crushed stone to match the existing grade



SWMU 7 Before IRA





SWMU 7 During IRA



Dust suppression during loading activities

Loading of the PCB-contaminated soils for disposal



SWMU 7 After IRA





SWMU 7 Sample Locations



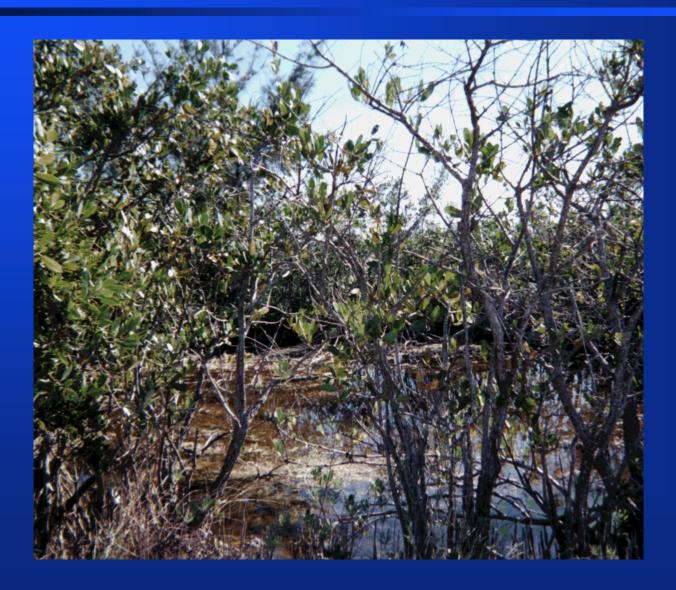


SWMU 7 COC Location Map





Small Pond Adjacent to SWMU 7





Summary of Evaluated Remedies

- No Action
- Limited Action: land use controls and long-term monitoring
- Remove, treat, and dispose of soil that contains chemical concentrations greater than industrial RGOs; land use controls





Proposed Remedy for SWMU 7

- Limited Action: land use controls and long-term monitoring
 - Human health COCs are in excess of thresholds
 - Potential Ecological risk is low
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Summary

SWMU	HSWA Permit Modification	LUCs	Monitoring
5			
7			

