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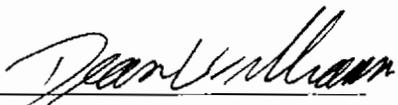
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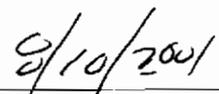
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1 Acronyms and Abbreviations

2	BCT	BRAC Cleanup Team
3	BRAC	Base Realignment and Closure
4	CA	Corrective Action
5	CMS	Corrective Measures Study
6	CNC	Charleston Naval Complex
7	COC	chemical of concern
8	COPC	chemical of potential concern
9	DNAPL	dense non-aqueous phase liquid
10	DOT	Department of Transportation
11	DPT	direct-push technology
12	EnSafe	EnSafe Inc.
13	EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
14	ft bls	feet below land surface
15	ft/d	feet per day
16	HAZWOPER	Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response
17	HSWA	Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments
18	IDW	investigation-derived waste
19	IM	interim measure
20	LNAPL	light non-aqueous phase liquid
21	m/m	meter per meter
22	µg/L	microgram per liter
23	MCL	maximum contaminant level
24	MCS	media cleanup standard
25	MNA	monitored natural attenuation
26	NAPL	non-aqueous phase liquid
27	NAVBASE	Naval Base
28	NAVFACENGCOM	Southern Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command
29	OSWER	Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response
30	PVC	polyvinyl chloride

1	RAO	remedial action objective
2	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
3	RFI	RCRA Facility Investigation
4	SCDHEC	South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
5	SOP	standard operating procedure
6	SVOC	semivolatile organic compound
7	SWMU	solid waste management unit
8	USBP	United States Border Patrol
9	USGS	United States Geological Survey
10	VOC	volatile organic compound

1.0 Introduction

2 In 1993, Naval Base (NAVBASE) Charleston was added to the list of bases scheduled for
3 closure as part of the Defense Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Act, which regulates
4 closure and transition of property to the community. The Charleston Naval Complex (CNC)
5 was formed as a result of the dis-establishment of the Charleston Naval Shipyard and
6 NAVBASE on April 1, 1996.

7 CNC Corrective Action (CA) activities are being conducted under the Resource
8 Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA); the South Carolina Department of Health and
9 Environmental Control (SCDHEC) is the lead agency for CA activities at the site. All RCRA
10 CA activities are performed in accordance with the Final Permit (Permit No. SCO 170 022
11 560).

12 In April 2000, CH2M-Jones was awarded a contract to provide environmental investigation
13 and remediation services at CNC. This work plan has been prepared by CH2M-Jones to
14 document the basis for a Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) Pilot Test at Solid Waste
15 Management Unit (SMWU) 17 in Zone H of the CNC.

16 1.1 Introduction

17 CH2M-Jones has prepared this MNA Pilot Test Work Plan on behalf of the Southern
18 Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFACENGCOM) to comply with the
19 RCRA Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA) Permit requirements for closure
20 of the CNC facility.

21 This Pilot Test Work Plan presents the scope of work for the MNA of chemicals of concern
22 (COCs) in groundwater at SWMU 17. Specifically, this Pilot Test Work Plan presents a
23 description of the SWMU 17 study area, a summary of the extent of groundwater
24 contamination, a description of the MNA technology and the technical approach that will
25 be used, methods for monitoring MNA effectiveness, and a proposed project
26 implementation schedule.

1.2 Purpose of the MNA Pilot Test Work Plan

The general purpose of this Pilot Test is to assess the effectiveness of MNA as a groundwater remedial alternative. Specifically, the main objectives are to assess the effectiveness of MNA in order to accomplish the following objectives:

- Reduce the mass of COCs in SWMU 17 groundwater
- Reduce the concentrations of COCs in SWMU 17 groundwater below the applicable media cleanup standards (MCSs) within a suitable timeframe
- Control migration and/or reduce the extent of the dissolved COCs groundwater plume in the SWMU 17 area

If this study indicates that MNA is feasible for aquifer remediation, it will be added to the upcoming Corrective Measures Study (CMS) alternatives analysis for consideration as a final remedy.

1.3 Organization of the MNA Pilot Test Work Plan

This MNA Pilot Test Work Plan consists of the following eight sections, including this introductory section:

1.0 Introduction —Presents the purpose of and background information on the work plan.

2.0 SWMU 17 Site Description —Provides a site description of the SWMU 17 study area, including a summary of the extent of groundwater contamination and site hydrogeologic conditions.

3.0 Remedial Objectives —Discusses the overall remedial objectives at SWMU 17.

4.0 MNA Technology Description —Presents generic information about the processes of the MNA technology, description of source controls to be used in conjunction with MNA, and how MNA is demonstrated to be occurring.

5.0 Pilot Study Technical Approach and Methodology —Presents the proposed MNA approach at SWMU 17, proposed new monitoring well locations, and the analytical parameter list to be used for monitoring the effectiveness of MNA.

6.0 Project Schedule —Presents the proposed schedule for implementation of field work, groundwater monitoring, and submission of project deliverables.

- 1 **7.0 Investigation-Derived Waste** —Discusses the methods to be used for handling soil
- 2 cuttings, development water, and other investigation-derived waste (IDW) generated as
- 3 part of this pilot test.

- 4 **8.0 References** ---Lists the references used in this document.

- 5 All tables and figures appear at the end of their respective sections.

1 2.0 SWMU 17 Site Description

2 SWMU 17, shown in Figure 2-1, is located at Building FBM 61 within Zone H of the CNC.
3 FBM 61 is the former Fleet Ballistic Missile Training Center that was used by the Navy from
4 1962 until June 1996. It is leased by the United States Border Patrol (USBP) and is used as a
5 law enforcement training facility.

6 The zoning for SWMU 17, as applied by the City of North Charleston, is B-2, which is a
7 zoning type that allows for various commercial business activities but does not provide for
8 long-term or permanent residential use. The CNC Reuse Plan designates the future land use
9 of this area for government offices and a training campus. The USBP's use of this area for
10 law enforcement training is compatible with the zoning and future land use provided for in
11 the Reuse Plan.

12 2.1 Current Nature and Extent of Contamination

13 Site investigation activities have occurred in five separate phases since 1994. Soil sample
14 collection and groundwater monitoring well installation methods are detailed in the *Final*
15 *RCRA Facility Investigation (RFI) Report for Zone H* (EnSafe Inc. [EnSafe]/Allen & Hoshall,
16 1996).

17 Sources of contamination at SWMU 17 were previously described in detail in the CMS
18 Work Plan prepared by CH2M-Jones (2001a) and are shown in Figure 2-2. A detailed
19 summary of previous investigations was also provided in the CMS Work Plan.

20 The RFI Addendum (EnSafe, 2000) included the following summary of the general origins
21 and extent of key contaminants, which serves as an overall conceptual site model regarding
22 sources of contamination and current status:

23 *PCB and diesel fuel oil from activities in and around FBM 61 have entered soil*
24 *and groundwater at the site. PCB contamination is the result of transformer fluid*
25 *leaks in the paved courtyard area on the north side of the building. Aroclor-1260*
26 *is the main PCB contaminant exceeding screening levels in soil. Chlorinated*
27 *benzenes are also present as contaminants associated with the leaking*
28 *transformer dielectric fluid. Leaking transformer fluids pooled on the surface or*
29 *in pavement subgrade materials northwest of what is now the storage area, and*
30 *migrated vertically until accumulating in the saturated zone as a DNAPL in the*

1 *area immediately surrounding well 017002. The DNAPL found at well 017002 is*
2 *persistent but not great in thickness (0.10 ft, 01/00). The DNAPL accumulation*
3 *appears static but is a continuing source of dissolved phase constituents such as*
4 *the chlorinated benzene compounds. Although there have been some PCB*
5 *detections in groundwater, chlorobenzene is the most widespread contaminant in*
6 *groundwater related to the dielectric fluid and has migrated north and south of*
7 *the building area.*

8 *Diesel fuel leaking from UST FBM 61-1 and the buried boiler fuel pipeline likely*
9 *contributed to the spread of PCB contaminants in soil. Residual diesel fuel from*
10 *the pipeline leak is present as LNAPL in the storage addition area. LNAPLs at*
11 *FBM 61 have not migrated from the source area and are relatively immobile*
12 *under existing site groundwater gradients. However, the LNAPLs continue to be*
13 *a source of dissolved phase constituents. Soluble phase fuel constituents are*
14 *present in shallow groundwater beneath the paved courtyard and storage*
15 *addition, and in the area around the pipeline between the storage addition and the*
16 *boiler fuel storage AST [above-ground storage tank]. Moderate pumping of the*
17 *temporary wells during development and sampling created a noticeable increase*
18 *in LNAPL measured in SWMU 17 wells. This implies that the LNAPLs may be*
19 *induced to move by low pumping of the aquifer.*

20 *The low permeability clayey sediments of Qm1 effectively isolate the basal sand*
21 *(Qs1) of the surficial aquifer beneath SWMU 17 which has not been impacted by*
22 *contaminants in near surface soils and shallow groundwater.*

23 A total of 10 shallow groundwater monitoring wells were installed in 1994 and 1998 to a
24 typical depth of about 15 feet below land surface (ft bls). In 1998, one deep monitoring well
25 was installed to a depth of 44 ft bls at SWMU 17. In 1999, 27 temporary wells were installed
26 to a depth of approximately 15 ft bls using direct-push technology (DPT). These wells were
27 installed to investigate other potential sources of contamination at SWMU 17 and to better
28 delineate the extent of specific contaminants in groundwater. Figure 2-3 shows
29 groundwater monitoring wells and DPT locations.

30 A risk assessment for SWMU 17 was performed and documented in the Zone H RFI
31 Addendum (EnSafe, 2000) for chemicals of potential concern (COPCs) identified in the
32 preliminary screening process. According to the RFI and risk assessment, environmental
33 media at SWMU 17 that have been impacted include surface and subsurface soils and
34 groundwater. Potential offsite impacts were evaluated as part of the fate and transport
35 analysis; it was concluded that offsite sediment or surface water impacts were not occurring

1 at the present time and are not anticipated to occur in the future. There are no sediments or
2 surface water associated with SWMU 17; therefore, these media do not need to be
3 remediated or considered in the CMS.

4 COCs for surface soil, subsurface soil and groundwater were evaluated and documented in
5 the CMS Work Plan (CH2M-Jones, 2001a). MCSs based on risk were proposed in the CMS
6 Work Plan for the COCs. Based on the COC evaluation, risk assessment and remedial action
7 objectives (RAOs), the COCs for groundwater and associated MCSs, along with the upper
8 and lower range of concentrations detected during the site investigation activities, are
9 presented in Table 2-1.

10 Current sources of groundwater contamination at SWMU 17 exist in the form of subsurface
11 soil concentrations of COCs that may leach to the groundwater and localized areas of light
12 non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) and dense non-aqueous phase liquid (DNAPL) in the
13 shallow aquifer. Figure 2-4 illustrates the extent of non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) and
14 contamination in subsurface soil and groundwater, relative to MCSs. For this figure, the
15 chemical that has the greatest lateral extent across the site has been selected for each media.
16 Accordingly, Aroclor-1260 is shown for soils, and chlorobenzene is shown for groundwater.

17 An Interim Measure Work Plan (CH2M-Jones, May 2001b) was prepared to address the
18 removal of surface soils that exceed the industrial MCS for Aroclor-1260 and the removal of
19 NAPL from existing monitoring wells.

20 **2.2 Hydrogeology Overview**

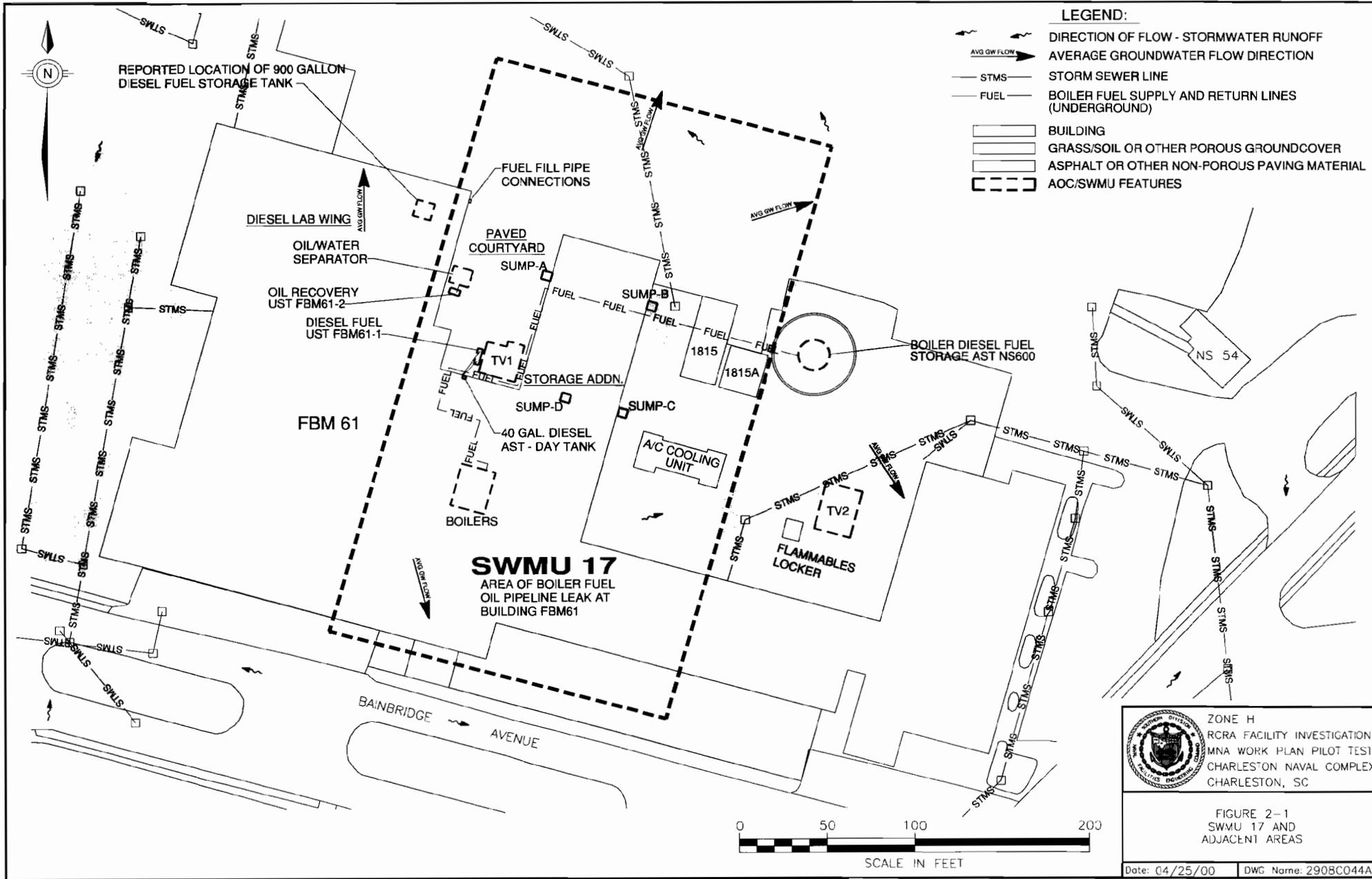
21 Soil samples collected from SWMU 17 borings indicate that the site geology consists of
22 unconsolidated Quaternary coastal sediments. The sediments consist of interbedded silty
23 sands and marsh clays. The sands and clays contain an unconfined (water table) aquifer
24 system. The water table is approximately 5 ft bls at SWMU 17, and the interbedded sands
25 and clays range from 5 to 15 feet in thickness. Beneath this aquifer lies an organic clayey silt
26 that appears to be laterally continuous at SWMU 17 since it is detected in the bottom
27 portions of all of the groundwater wells installed at the site. This clay unit is approximately
28 15 feet thick in the one well that fully penetrated it, and is likely to provide an effective
29 barrier in preventing shallow groundwater contamination from reaching the deeper aquifer
30 that lies beneath the clay.

31 The shallow groundwater flow direction has been assessed to flow from a groundwater
32 high in the west of the SWMU 17 area towards the north, east, and south. Groundwater
33 elevations measured in December 1999 are shown in Figure 2-5. Based on the results of a

1 study performed by the United States Geological Survey (USGS) that involved computer
2 model simulations of groundwater flow, CNC hydraulic conductivities range from 3 to 8
3 feet per day (ft/d). A hydraulic conductivity of 4 ft/d is appropriate for SWMU 17, based
4 on the model results. The average hydraulic gradient at the SWMU 17 site is considered to
5 be 0.01 meter per meter (m/m).

TABLE 2-1
 Groundwater MCSs/RAOs for SWMU 17
 MNA Pilot Test Work Plan, SWMU 17, Zone H, Charleston Naval Complex

COC	Minimum Detected Concentration (µg/L)	Maximum Detected Concentration (µg/L)	Proposed MCS (µg/L)	MCL (µg/L)	Explanation	RGOs Based on Noncarcinogenic Risks		
						HI=0.1 (µg/L)	HI=1 (µg/L)	HI=3 (µg/L)
Aroclor-1260	2.3	520	0.5	0.5	MCL is proposed cleanup goal.	NA	NA	NA
Benzene	2	130	5	5	MCL is proposed cleanup goal.	NA	NA	NA
Chlorobenzene	0.78	6,900	110	NA	Not a carcinogen; cleanup goal for HI=1 is 110 µg/L.	11	110	330
2-chlorophenol	5	18	30	NA	Not a carcinogen; cleanup goal for HI=1 is 30 µg/L.	3	30	90
1,3-dichlorobenzene	2	1,400	600	600#	MCL is proposed cleanup goal.	0.6	6	17
1,4-dichlorobenzene	1	2,700	75	75	MCL is proposed cleanup goal.	NA	NA	NA
Naphthalene	6	33	6.2	NA	Not a carcinogen; cleanup goal for HI=1 is 6.2 µg/L.	0.62	6.2	19
1,2,4-trichlorobenzene	1	1,400	70	70	MCL is proposed cleanup goal.	19	190	570
#	Value for 1,3-dichlorobenzene is based on 1,2-dichlorobenzene							
HI	Hazard index							
NA	Not applicable (not a carcinogen)							



ZONE H
 RCRA FACILITY INVESTIGATION
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FIGURE 2-1
 SWMU 17 AND
 ADJACENT AREAS

Date: 04/25/00 DWG Name: 2908C044A

Source A: 1987 leak of #5 diesel fuel oil from boiler fuel oil line.

Source B: In 1997 a UST was removed as holes had allowed #2 diesel fuel oil to leak.

Source C: In 1984 a line pole capacitor ruptured spilling PCB oils.

Source D: Soil samples collected in 1982 confirmed the presence of PCB containing soils beneath the drains at TV1.

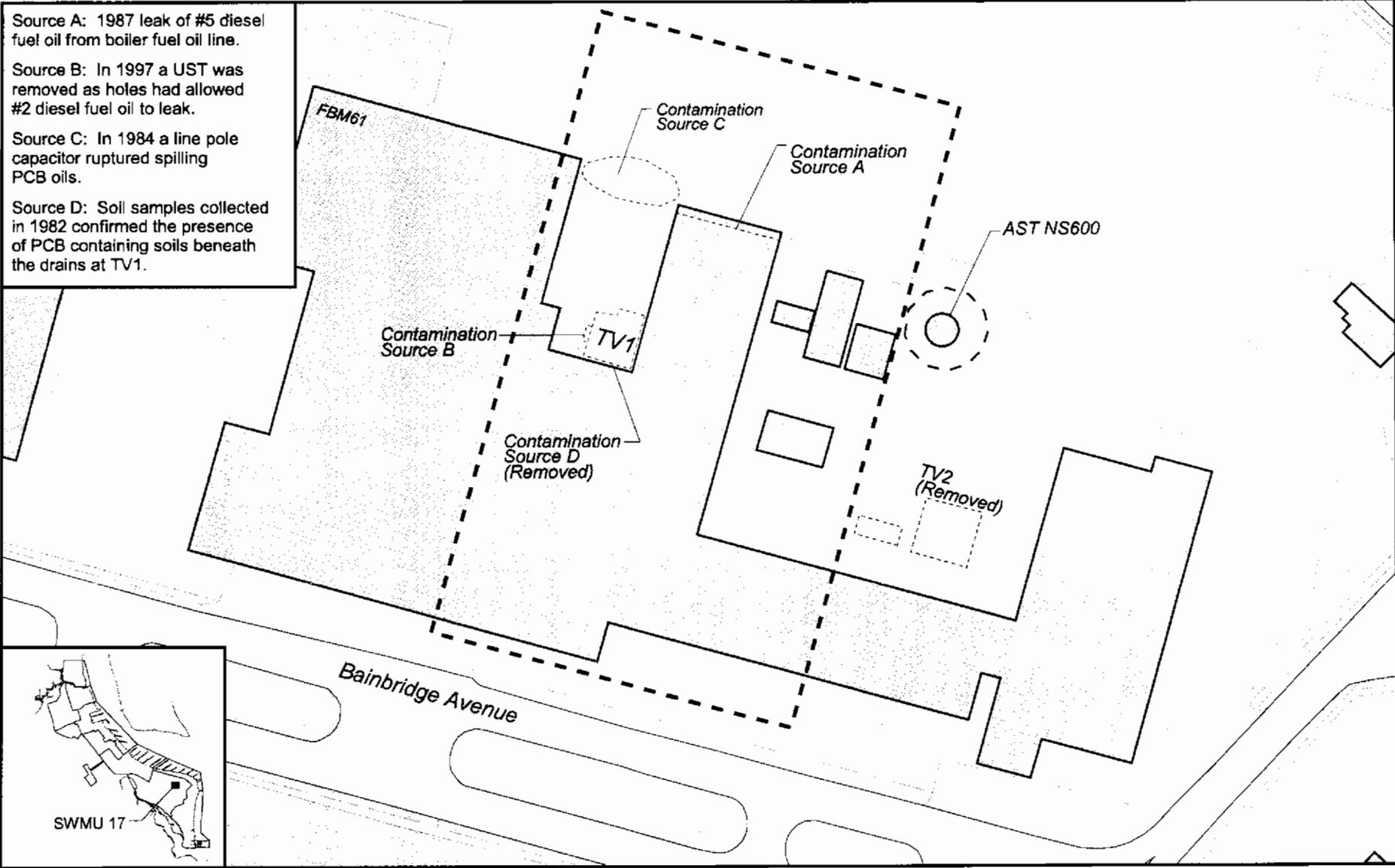
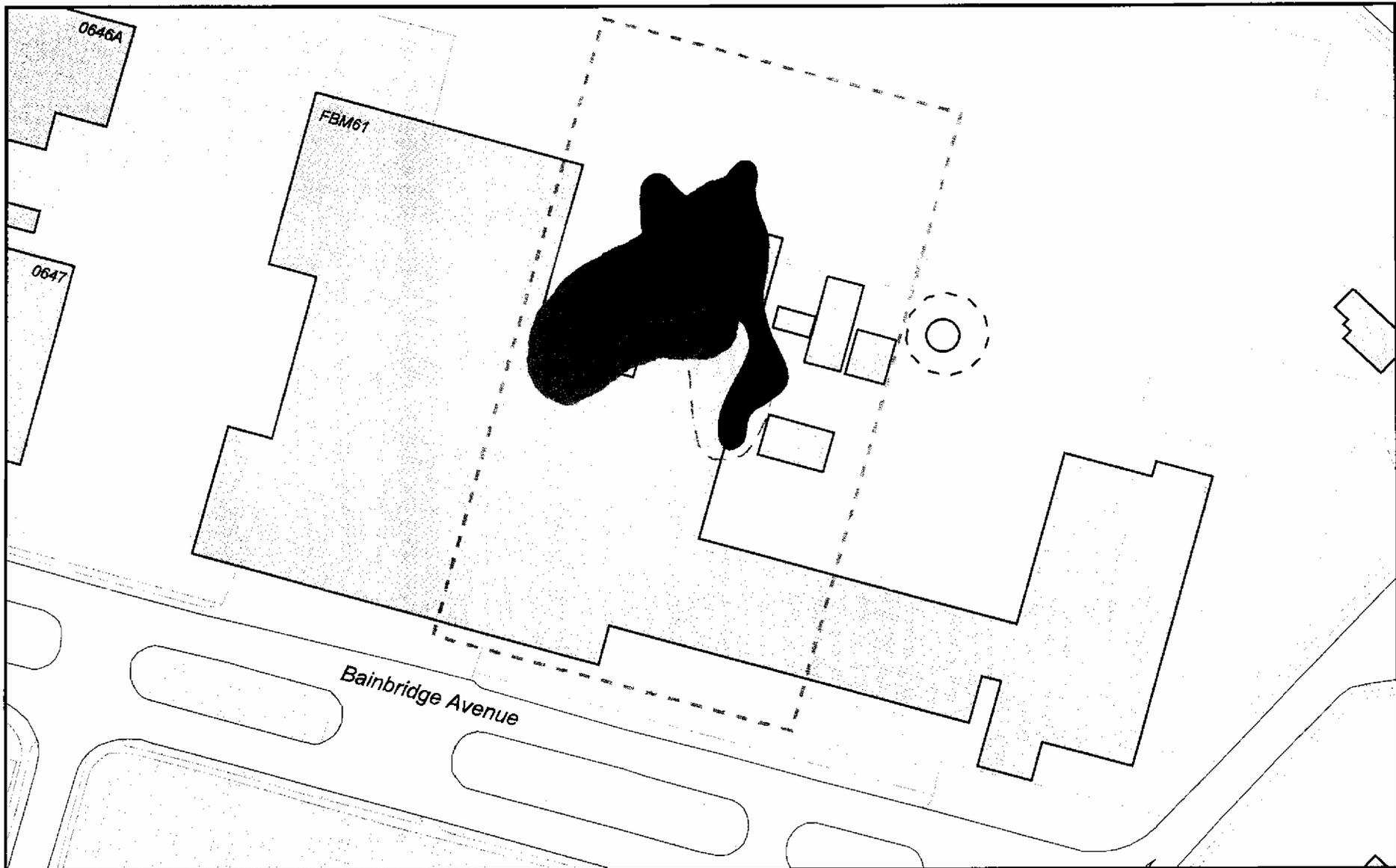


Figure 2-2
Sources of Contamination
SWMU 17, Zone H
Charleston Naval Complex

LEGEND

- Non-paved Surfaces
- Existing Structure
- Contamination Source
- SWMU Boundary



LEGEND:

- Area that Exceeds Soil MCSs for Future Unrestricted Land Use
- Area that Exceeds Groundwater MCSs
- Area where Groundwater Concentration may exceed MCSs based on occurrence of NAPL
- SWMU Boundary



Figure 2-4
 Composite Showing Extent of Contamination
 In Subsurface Soil and Groundwater
 That Exceed MCSs
 SWMU 17, Zone H
 Charleston Naval Complex



REPORTED LOCATION OF 900 GALLON DIESEL FUEL STORAGE TANK

FUEL FILL PIPE CONNECTIONS

DIESEL LAB WING

OIL/WATER SEPARATOR

OIL RECOVERY UST FBM61-2

DIESEL FUEL UST FBM61-1

PAVED COURTYARD

SUMP-A

SUMP-B

SUMP-C

SUMP-D

40 GAL DIESEL AST DAY TANK

BOILERS

STORAGE ADDN.

COOLING UNIT

FLAMMABLES LOCKER

BOILER DIESEL FUEL STORAGE AST NS600

BOILER FUEL SUPPLY AND RETURN LINES (UNDERGROUND)

AOC/SWMU FEATURES

AREA OF BOILER FUEL OIL PIPELINE LEAK AT BUILDING FBM61

STORM SEWER LINE

GROUNDWATER DIVIDE

GROUNDWATER TROUGH

EVENT SPECIFIC GROUNDWATER FLOW DIRECTION

GROUNDWATER ELEVATION DATA (FEET MSL)

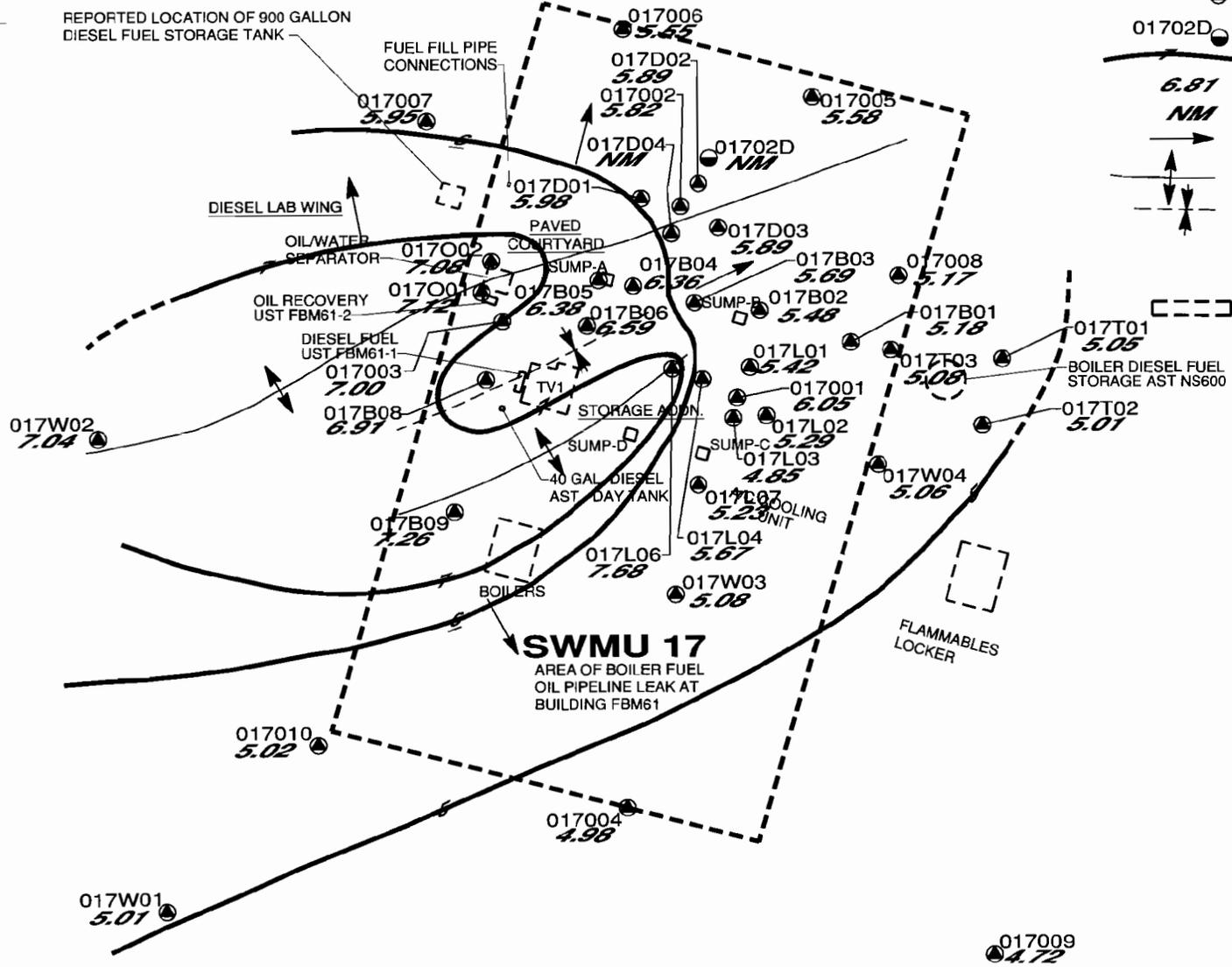
GROUNDWATER ELEVATION CONTOUR (FEET MSL)

SWMU 17 SHALLOW MONITORING WELL W/ ID NUMBER

SWMU 17 ADDENDUM SHALLOW MONITORING WELL W/ ID NUMBER

SWMU 17 DEEP MONITORING WELL W/ ID NUMBER

- LEGEND:**
- 017007 ● SWMU 17 SHALLOW MONITORING WELL W/ ID NUMBER
 - 017D01 ● SWMU 17 ADDENDUM SHALLOW MONITORING WELL W/ ID NUMBER
 - 01702D ● SWMU 17 DEEP MONITORING WELL W/ ID NUMBER
 - 6.81 ——— GROUNDWATER ELEVATION CONTOUR (FEET MSL)
 - 6.81 ——— GROUNDWATER ELEVATION DATA (FEET MSL)
 - NM = NOT MEASURED
 - EVENT SPECIFIC GROUNDWATER FLOW DIRECTION
 - ↕ GROUNDWATER DIVIDE
 - ↕ GROUNDWATER TROUGH
 - STORM SEWER LINE
 - BOILER FUEL SUPPLY AND RETURN LINES (UNDERGROUND)
 - AOC/SWMU FEATURES



	<p>ZONE H RCRA FACILITY INVESTIGATION MNA WORK PLAN PILOT TEST CHARLESTON NAVAL COMPLEX CHARLESTON, SC</p>
	<p>FIGURE 2-5 SWMU 17 GROUNDWATER ELEVATION CONTOUR MAP DECEMBER 16, 1999 PRE-SAMPLING</p>
	<p>Date: 04/26/00 DWG Name: 2908C050A</p>
	<p>SCALE IN FEET</p>

3.0 Remedial Objectives

This section discusses how the objective of the MNA pilot test fits into the overall RAOs for SWMU 17 and outlines MCSs for groundwater at SWMU 17. In addition, this section discusses how MNA will be evaluated in conjunction with groundwater contaminant source controls.

3.1 Remedial Action Objectives

The RAO for groundwater at SWMU 17 is outlined in the CMS Work Plan (CH2M-Jones, 2001a) as follows:

Protection and Restoration of Beneficial Use: The RAOs for groundwater are to prevent ingestion and direct/dermal contact with groundwater having unacceptable carcinogenic or non-carcinogenic risk, and to restore the aquifer to beneficial use.

This MNA Pilot Study Work Plan has been developed such that natural attenuation can be evaluated with regard to addressing the RAO for groundwater.

3.2 Media Cleanup Standards

The proposed MCSs for groundwater at SWMU 17 are discussed in the CMS Work Plan and are presented in Table 2-1 of this document. Achieving these MCSs is accepted as demonstrating that the RAOs have been achieved. Achieving these goals should promote the protection of human health and the environment, while at the same time achieving compliance with applicable state and federal standards.

A specific objective of the MNA pilot study is to evaluate whether MNA has the potential to reduce concentrations of COCs to levels equivalent to or below the MCSs. However, it is likely that further data will be required beyond the timeframe of the MNA pilot study to determine whether natural attenuation can reduce the concentration of COCs to maximum contaminant levels (MCLs).

4.0 MNA Technology Description

This section describes the processes of natural attenuation which act to remediate organic compounds in groundwater. The MNA technology has been applied at many field sites across the United States, and the effectiveness of the technology has been documented by quantitative field demonstrations in numerous publications. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) Directive 9200.4-17P on the use of MNA considers MNA "to be an alternative means of achieving remediation objectives that may be appropriate for specific, well documented site circumstances (EPA, 1999)."

All groundwater COCs except Aroclor-1260 are considered to be compounds which may potentially undergo natural attenuation. Aroclor-1260 is known to be recalcitrant to biodegradation and is not very soluble in water. As a result, it is the only groundwater COC that will not be addressed by MNA. However, after implementation of a proposed interim measure (IM) for NAPL removal (i.e., using a vacuum truck to remove NAPL from the aquifer), it is expected that the concentration of Aroclor-1260 should decline significantly, potentially below the proposed MCS because of its low solubility in water. In the event that this does not occur, further evaluation of remedial alternatives for PCBs will be conducted.

4.1 Natural Attenuation Processes Overview

The environmental fate and transport of an organic compound in groundwater is controlled by the compound's physical and chemical properties, as well as the physical, chemical, and biological nature of the subsurface media through which the contaminant is migrating. Several processes are known to cause a reduction in the concentration and/or mass of a contaminant dissolved in groundwater. Those processes that result in the reduction of a contaminant concentration but not of the total contaminant mass are termed nondestructive and include hydrodynamic dispersion, sorption, dilution, and volatilization. Those processes that result in the degradation of contaminants are referred to as destructive and include biodegradation and abiotic degradation mechanisms.

Biodegradation is generally the dominant destructive attenuation process acting on a contaminant, depending on the type of contaminant and the availability of electron donors or carbon sources. Abiotic degradation processes (e.g., hydrolysis) are also known to degrade chlorinated solvents; where biodegradation is not occurring, these may be the only

1 destructive processes operating. However, the rates of abiotic processes are generally slow
2 relative to rates of biodegradation for most contaminants.

3 Natural attenuation results from the integration of all the attenuation processes. Where the
4 attenuation processes are sufficiently rapid, the size of the contaminant plume and mass of
5 contaminants dissolved in groundwater may stabilize or decline.

6 **4.2 Biodegradation**

7 Microorganisms in the subsurface environment may degrade a variety of organic
8 compounds, including the petroleum hydrocarbons and chlorinated organic compounds
9 that are SWMU 17 groundwater COCs (except Aroclor-1260). To carry out their functions,
10 microorganisms require a carbon source, electron donors and acceptors, and water and
11 mineral nutrients. Many organic compounds, including petroleum hydrocarbons and
12 certain chlorinated compounds, are degraded or transformed by microorganisms through
13 use as an electron donor. This process is known as direct biological oxidation.

14 Direct biological oxidation processes may occur aerobically (in the presence of oxygen) or
15 anaerobically (without oxygen), often at the same time in different parts of the dissolved
16 contaminant plume. During direct biological oxidation, dissolved oxygen is generally
17 consumed rapidly in the center of dissolved organic contaminant plumes and converts the
18 area into an anoxic zone. Under these conditions anaerobic bacteria start to utilize nitrate,
19 sulfate, iron, and carbon dioxide for anaerobic metabolism.

20 The reduction/oxidation (redox) environment is very important in determining the
21 biodegradation mechanism which may occur. Oxygen is the electron acceptor for aerobic
22 metabolism. Nitrate, ferric iron, sulfate, and carbon dioxide can also be electron acceptors
23 for anaerobic biodegradation pathways. After dissolved oxygen has been depleted and as
24 the redox environment becomes more reducing, nitrate is used as an electron acceptor,
25 followed by ferric iron, sulfate, and carbon dioxide. An example of biodegradation under
26 various electron acceptor and redox conditions (Suthersan, 1997) is presented as Table 4-1
27 for benzene.

28 Biodegradation of some chlorinated compounds may involve the chlorinated compound
29 serving as an electron acceptor. When a chlorinated compound acts as an electron acceptor,
30 the chlorinated compound will be reduced via reductive dechlorination. Reductive
31 dechlorination only occurs when the environment becomes sufficiently reduced and when
32 sufficient electron donors are present.

1 Chlorinated compounds may also undergo biodegradation via aerobic or anaerobic
2 cometabolism. Cometabolism requires the presence of a suitable primary substrate such as
3 toluene, phenol, or methane. For cometabolism to be to be effective, the primary substrate
4 must be present at higher concentrations than the chlorinated compound.

5 Chlorinated benzenes occur as four different groundwater COCs at SWMU 17. Studies
6 indicate that chlorinated benzenes are biodegradable under aerobic and anaerobic
7 conditions, and exhibit biodegradation behaviors similar to those of chlorinated ethenes.
8 Evidence suggests that chlorobenzene and polychlorinated benzenes, up to and including
9 tetrachlorobenzene, may undergo biodegradation under aerobic conditions (Spain, 1997).
10 For highly chlorinated benzenes (including trichlorobenzenes), the most likely
11 biodegradation mechanism is reductive dechlorination in anaerobic environments
12 (Herrington et al., 2000). Herrington et al. indicates that as highly chlorinated benzenes are
13 dechlorinated, the daughter products become more resistant to further reductive
14 dechlorination, but become increasingly amenable to aerobic biodegradation.

15 The likely potential degradation mechanisms for the COCs in groundwater at SWMU 17 are
16 summarized in Table 4-2.

17 **4.3 Groundwater Contaminant Source Control**

18 The MNA pilot study is intended to evaluate the potential for natural attenuation processes
19 to function as a groundwater remediation mechanism for COCs at SWMU 17. It is likely
20 that for natural attenuation processes to be fully successful in reducing COCs
21 concentrations below MCSs, the sources of contaminants to groundwater will have to be
22 controlled. Sources of groundwater contaminants still occur at SWMU 17 in the subsurface
23 soils, as discussed in Section 2.1. In addition, localized areas of LNAPL and DNAPL occur
24 in the shallow aquifer at SWMU 17 creating a source for contaminants to enter the
25 groundwater.

26 The IM Work Plan (CH2M-Jones, 2001b) addresses the removal of LNAPL and DNAPL
27 from the aquifer by pumping with a vacuum truck from existing monitoring wells. It is
28 proposed that this source control work described in the interim measure work plan be
29 undertaken concurrently with the MNA pilot study. After the removal of NAPL with the
30 vacuum truck, it is possible that natural attenuation will degrade any residual NAPL
31 remaining in the aquifer.

32 Control of other potential sources of contaminants to groundwater in the subsurface soils
33 will be addressed as part of the CMS.

1 Because the building at SWMU 17 is in active use, a passive in situ technology, such as
2 MNA, is desirable because it will minimize disturbances to onsite activities.

3 **4.4 Demonstrating Natural Attenuation**

4 Three main lines of evidence can be used to demonstrate that natural attenuation processes
5 are occurring at a site at a rate sufficient to remediate dissolved contaminant plumes. The
6 three lines of evidence are described below:

7 1. Historical data showing plume stabilization and/or loss of contaminant mass over time.
8 This line of evidence involves using contaminant monitoring data to show that the
9 contaminant plume is shrinking, stable, or expanding at a rate slower than that
10 predicted by conservative groundwater seepage velocity calculations.

11 2. Chemical and geochemical analytical data, including:

- 12 (a) Depletion of electron acceptors and donors
- 13 (b) Increasing metabolic by-product concentrations
- 14 (c) Decreasing parent compound concentrations
- 15 (d) Increasing daughter compound concentrations

16 3. Microbiological data that support the occurrence of biodegradation.

17 The first line of evidence is valuable because it shows that the contaminant plume is being
18 attenuated. The second line of evidence is used to show that contaminant mass is being
19 destroyed, not just being diluted or sorbed to the aquifer matrix. The third line evidence,
20 microbiological laboratory or field data, can be used to show that indigenous biota are
21 capable of degrading site contaminants. The microcosm study is the most common
22 technique used for this purpose. Microcosm studies are only necessary when estimates of
23 biodegradation rates could not be obtained using the other lines of evidence or when the
24 specific mechanism of degradation is not known.

25 The first two lines of evidence will be used to demonstrate MNA at SWMU 17 during the
26 MNA pilot study. The third line of evidence will only be used if the first two lines of
27 evidence do not provide sufficient data to evaluate biodegradation rates, or if there is
28 uncertainty regarding the biodegradation mechanism for any of the COCs.

TABLE 4-1
Benzene Biodegradation
MNA Pilot Test Work Plan, SWMU 17, Zone H, Charleston Naval Complex

Redox Potential	Reaction Type	Electron Acceptors	By-Products
> 300 mV	Aerobic	O ₂	CO ₂ , H ₂ O
	Denitrification	NO ₃ ⁻	NO ₂ ⁻ , N ₂ , CO ₂ , H ₂ O
	Valence reduction	Mn(IV)	Mn(II), CO ₂ , H ₂ O
	Valence reduction	Fe(III)	Fe(II), CO ₂ , H ⁺
	Sulfate reduction	SO ₄ ²⁻	S ₂ ⁻ , CO ₂ , H ₂ O
	< 300 mV	Methanogenesis	CO ₂

Source: Suthersan, 1997

TABLE 4-2
 Potential Degradation Mechanisms for Groundwater COCs at SWMU 17
MNA Pilot Test Work Plan, SWMU 17, Zone H, Charleston Naval Complex

Groundwater Contaminant of Concern	Potential Degradation Mechanism
Benzene	Direct Biological Oxidation
Chlorobenzene	Direct Biological Oxidation, Reductive Dechlorination, Cometabolism
2-chlorophenol	Reductive dechlorination, Direct Oxidation, Cometabolism
1,3-dichlorobenzene	Direct Biological Oxidation, Reductive Dechlorination, Cometabolism
1,4-dichlorobenzene	Direct Biological Oxidation, Reductive Dechlorination, Cometabolism
Naphthalene	Direct Biological Oxidation, Cometabolism
1,2,4-trichlorobenzene	Reductive Dechlorination, Direct Biological Oxidation, Cometabolism

Based on: Wiedemeier *et al* (1999), Suthersan (1997), and Spain (1997)

5.0 Pilot Study Technical Approach and Methodology

This section discusses the technical approach for evaluating MNA at SWMU 17, the field methods to be used, the frequency of groundwater sampling, and the parameter list to be used for monitoring of natural attenuation.

5.1 MNA Evaluation Approach

CH2M-Jones proposes to evaluate the effectiveness of natural attenuation to remediate the groundwater COCs at SWMU 17 with the exception of Aroclor-1260. The MNA evaluation approach will involve the following main steps, which are listed below and described in detail in subsequent sections:

1. Install approximately two additional monitoring wells to provide sufficient data for monitoring of natural attenuation at SWMU 17
2. Determine direction and rate of groundwater flow
3. Measure the current baseline concentrations of groundwater COCs, inorganic electron acceptors and metabolic by-products
4. Monitor the concentrations of groundwater COCs, inorganic electron acceptors, and metabolic by-products
5. Demonstrate that natural attenuation processes are occurring at SWMU 17 and estimate biodegradation rates for the COCs
6. Use the results of Steps 2 and 5 to compare the rate of contaminant transport to the rate of biodegradation
7. Based on the results of Step 6 and the pilot study objectives (Section 1.2), evaluate whether natural attenuation is a viable option for remediation of groundwater at SWMU 17

5.2 Monitoring Well Installation

The evaluation of natural attenuation requires analytical data to be collected from:

- (a) the source area or most contaminated portion of the aquifer (e.g., adjacent to where

1 NAPL exists), (b) downgradient from the source area but still in the dissolved contaminant
2 plume, (c) downgradient from the dissolved contaminant plume, and (d) upgradient and
3 lateral locations that are not affected by the plume. A number of wells exist at SWMU 17
4 (see Figure 2-3) which can be utilized for the collection of the required analytical data.
5 However, approximately two additional monitoring wells will be installed to provide
6 sufficient monitoring locations for analytical data to be collected from each of the four areas
7 of the plume listed above.

8 Prior to the installation of the two new monitoring wells, groundwater elevation
9 measurements will be made in all existing monitoring wells at the SWMU 17 and an up-to-
10 date potentiometric surface map created to confirm groundwater flow directions and
11 gradients. This will allow for the optimal location of the two new monitoring wells. The
12 proposed locations for the two new monitoring wells, discussed below and shown in Figure
13 5-1, will be confirmed following the development of the up-to-date potentiometric surface
14 map.

- 15 • One new well (designated H017GW011) will be installed approximately 40 ft to the
16 northwest of existing monitoring well H017GW002 to allow for groundwater within the
17 dissolved contaminant plume hydraulically downgradient of the NAPL to be monitored
- 18 • One new well (designated H017GW012) will be installed approximately 40 ft to the
19 west-northwest of H017GW005 to allow for groundwater hydraulically downgradient
20 of the dissolved contaminant plume to be monitored

21 The wells will be installed by a Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response
22 (HAZWOPER)-trained drilling vendor, under the direct supervision of the CH2M-Jones site
23 hydrogeologist. Well borings will be advanced using appropriate drilling techniques.

24 The well boring at each new well location will be lithologically logged to assist in well
25 screen placement and to refine the site hydrogeologic conceptual model. The drill rig, tools,
26 and equipment will be properly decontaminated between borings using the procedures
27 described in the approved sampling and analysis portion of the *Final Comprehensive*
28 *Sampling and Analysis Plan, Volume II* (EnSafe, 1996). Protocols for well installation, well
29 development, sampling, and sample handling will also comply with requirements of EPA
30 Environmental Services Division *Environmental Investigations Standard Operating Procedures*
31 *and Quality Assurance Manual* (EPA, 1996).

32 The wells will be constructed of 2-inch inside diameter flush-threaded Schedule 40
33 polyvinyl chloride (PVC). New well installation depths and screen lengths will be
34 comparable to those of the existing monitor wells in the shallow aquifer (approximately 15

1 ft bls). Exact depths and screen lengths will be determined in the field, based on the
2 lithologic log recovered during each boring. The elevation and location of the new wells
3 will be surveyed after installation.

4 The wells will be developed at least 48 hours after installation to clean out any sediments
5 from the well and to create a suitable filter pack around the well screen. Monitoring well
6 borings, well installation and development will be performed in accordance with the Field
7 Sampling Plan (EnSafe, 1996). Selected Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for field
8 work in EPA Region IV will also be referenced and utilized as necessary to address updates
9 in applicable technologies and procedures.

10 Appropriate permits and approvals will be obtained from SCDHEC for all permanent well
11 locations, in accordance with South Carolina Well Standards and Regulations (R.61-71),
12 prior to mobilizing for the field effort.

13 **5.3 Direction and Rate of Groundwater Flow**

14 Following the installation of the new monitoring wells, groundwater elevations will be
15 measured in all wells at SWMU 17 and a potentiometric surface plan prepared. This
16 potentiometric surface plan will be used to assess groundwater flow directions and
17 gradients. Hydraulic conductivity data used in the USGS groundwater flow model for the
18 CNC, hydraulic gradient data, and estimates of the aquifer effective porosity will be used to
19 assess the groundwater flow velocity at SWMU 17.

20 During each groundwater monitoring event (Step 4, Section 5.5), groundwater elevations
21 will be monitored and assessed for any seasonal changes in groundwater gradients or flow
22 directions.

23 **5.4 Measurement of Baseline Concentrations of COCs and** 24 **Natural Attenuation Parameters**

25 A groundwater sampling event will be performed approximately three weeks after the new
26 wells have been installed to provide baseline concentrations of geochemical natural
27 attenuation parameters and COCs using selected existing monitor wells and the new wells
28 installed during this study. The proposed groundwater sampling locations (total of 12
29 wells) are shown on Figure 5-2. The proposed sampling locations have been selected to
30 provide data from the four main areas of the plume listed in Section 5.2.

31 Chemical analysis of groundwater samples will be conducted using EPA SW-846 Methods
32 for RCRA monitoring. The proposed analytical parameter list for monitoring natural

1 attenuation conditions will measure the concentrations of electron acceptors and donors,
2 metabolic byproducts, parent and daughter compounds. The parent compounds are the
3 groundwater COCs (except Aroclor-1260) which will be assessed by analyzing volatile
4 organic compound (VOC) and semivolatile organic compound (SVOC) concentrations. This
5 will also provide a baseline of the distribution of COCs. The chemical analyses to be
6 undertaken for the MNA baseline study are presented in Table 5-1.

7 Groundwater samples will be collected in accordance with the Field Sampling Plan (EnSafe,
8 1996). Selected SOPs for field work in EPA Region IV will also be referenced and utilized as
9 necessary to address updates in applicable technologies and procedures.

10 **5.5 Monitoring of Concentrations of COCs and Natural** 11 **Attenuation Parameters**

12 The biodegradation of organic compounds brings about measurable changes in the
13 chemistry of groundwater in the affected area. By measuring these changes it is possible to
14 document and evaluate natural attenuation.

15 After the baseline sampling, which is discussed in Section 5.4, has been completed,
16 additional groundwater sampling events will be performed to monitor the concentrations of
17 COCs and natural attenuation parameters. During the pilot test, it is proposed that
18 groundwater sampling events be performed every six months (biannually) for a one year
19 period (total of two sampling events) to provide data for evaluation of natural attenuation
20 as a remediation alternative.

21 The rates at which microbes degrade the COCs in groundwater at SWMU 17 will be site-
22 specific. For this reason, it is difficult to predict the amount of time required for the pilot test
23 to obtain sufficient data to conclusively evaluate natural attenuation as a remediation
24 alternative at SWMU 17. Experience at other similar sites indicates that a one-year duration
25 of the pilot test with biannual sampling events is likely to provide sufficient data to
26 evaluate natural attenuation. However, if the groundwater data collected during the first six
27 months is considered sufficient to demonstrate the effectiveness of MNA in remediating
28 groundwater, CH2M-Jones will discuss, with the BRAC Cleanup Team (BCT), the
29 recommendation of MNA as a viable remediation alternative for groundwater at SWMU 17.
30 Likewise, if the groundwater data collected during the first six months is considered to
31 clearly demonstrate that MNA is not likely to be effective in remediating groundwater,
32 CH2M-Jones will discuss, with the BCT, the feasibility of stopping the pilot study and
33 implementing an alternative groundwater remediation technology.

1 The proposed groundwater sampling locations for the biannual sampling events are the
2 same as those for the baseline sampling event (shown on Figure 5-2). Chemical analysis of
3 groundwater samples will be conducted using EPA SW-846 Methods for RCRA monitoring.
4 The proposed analytical parameter list for monitoring natural attenuation conditions is the
5 same as the parameters selected for the baseline sampling event (see Table 5-1).

6 Groundwater samples will be collected in accordance with the Field Sampling Plan (EnSafe,
7 1996). Selected SOPs for field work in EPA Region IV will also be referenced and utilized as
8 necessary to address updates in applicable technologies and procedures.

9 Water levels will be measured in all SWMU 17 area wells during each sampling event to
10 provide additional potentiometric data. The potentiometric data will be used to refine the
11 site hydrogeologic model, assess any seasonal changes in groundwater flow, and to
12 document the groundwater flow conditions during the pilot test.

13 **5.6 Demonstration of Natural Attenuation and Estimation of** 14 **Biodegradation Rates**

15 As discussed in Section 4.4, there are three lines of evidence used to demonstrate MNA. The
16 first two lines of evidence, historical analytical data showing plume stabilization and loss of
17 contaminant mass, and attenuation parameter analytical data collected as part of the MNA
18 pilot study will be used to demonstrate that natural attenuation processes are occurring at
19 SWMU 17. The third line of evidence, microbiological studies, will only be used if the
20 historical analytical data and analytical data collected during the MNA pilot study do not
21 provide sufficient data for the demonstration of biodegradation or estimation of
22 biodegradation rates.

23 The historical data collected at SWMU 17 during the RFI investigations and data collected
24 during the MNA pilot study will be presented visually (e.g., isopleth plume maps for COCs,
25 daughter products, and electron acceptors) and/or statistically (e.g., Mann-Whitney U test
26 or Mann-Kendall test) to document plume stabilization and loss of contaminant mass. The
27 measured concentration of the natural attenuation parameters will be used to evaluate the
28 relative importance of the different biodegradation mechanisms and electron acceptors for
29 the COCs by estimating the biodegradation capacity. This evaluation will be extended to
30 estimate the mass of COCs degraded by each biodegradation mechanism.

31 If microbiological studies are required to demonstrate MNA for specific COCs (e.g.,
32 chlorinated benzenes), then a laboratory microcosm study will be considered. Aquifer
33 material samples will be collected from the boreholes during the installation of the new

1 wells and maintained under field conditions to be used in a laboratory microcosm study if
2 deemed necessary.

3 The groundwater monitoring data will be used to estimate the rates of biodegradation of
4 the groundwater COCs. Experience has shown that biodegradation rates of petroleum
5 hydrocarbons and chlorinated organic compounds are adequately described by a first-order
6 decay model. There are four recognized approaches which can be used to estimate first-
7 order biodegradation rate constants: (a) using conservative tracers, (b) steady-state
8 equilibrium method, (c) mass balance methods, and (d) graphical method. At least two of
9 these methods will be used to estimate biodegradation rates of the COCs in groundwater at
10 SWMU 17.

11 For the chlorinated groundwater COCs, it may first be necessary to demonstrate that
12 biodegradation via reductive dechlorination is occurring. This involves assessing the
13 groundwater monitoring data for redox processes and daughter product concentration
14 changes as groundwater flow down gradient. This preliminary screening process for
15 reductive dechlorination is well documented by Wiedemeier et al. (1999). Reductive
16 dechlorination may be an important biodegradation process for 2-chlorophenol. The
17 chlorinated benzene COCs are more likely to be biodegraded via oxidative pathways, so
18 screening for reductive chlorination may not be necessary for these COCs.

19 **5.7 Comparison of Rate of COCs Transport to Rate of** 20 **Biodegradation**

21 The rate of transport of the COCs and the rate of biodegradation will be compared to assess
22 whether the distribution of the dissolved contaminant plume and the mass of contaminants
23 are stabilized, reducing or expanding. The comparison will be made using the BIOSCREEN
24 model which is a simple spreadsheet based analytical model. The use of BIOSCREEN will
25 also allow an estimate of the maximum stabilized plume length, and an estimate of the time
26 required for MNA to reduce the concentration of COCs to the MCSs.

27 The BIOSCREEN model simulates groundwater flow, a fully penetrating vertical plane
28 source orientated perpendicular to groundwater flow, linear isotherm sorption, three-
29 dimensional dispersion and first-order decay biodegradation. Groundwater flow input
30 parameters for the BIOSCREEN model will be taken from those determined in Step 2
31 (Section 5.3) of the MNA evaluation approach. Sorption and dispersion input parameters
32 will be estimated based on published values and experience at other sites for the COCs. The
33 first-order decay rate constants for input into BIOSCREEN will be taken from the values
34 estimated in Step 6 (Section 5.5) of the MNA evaluation approach.

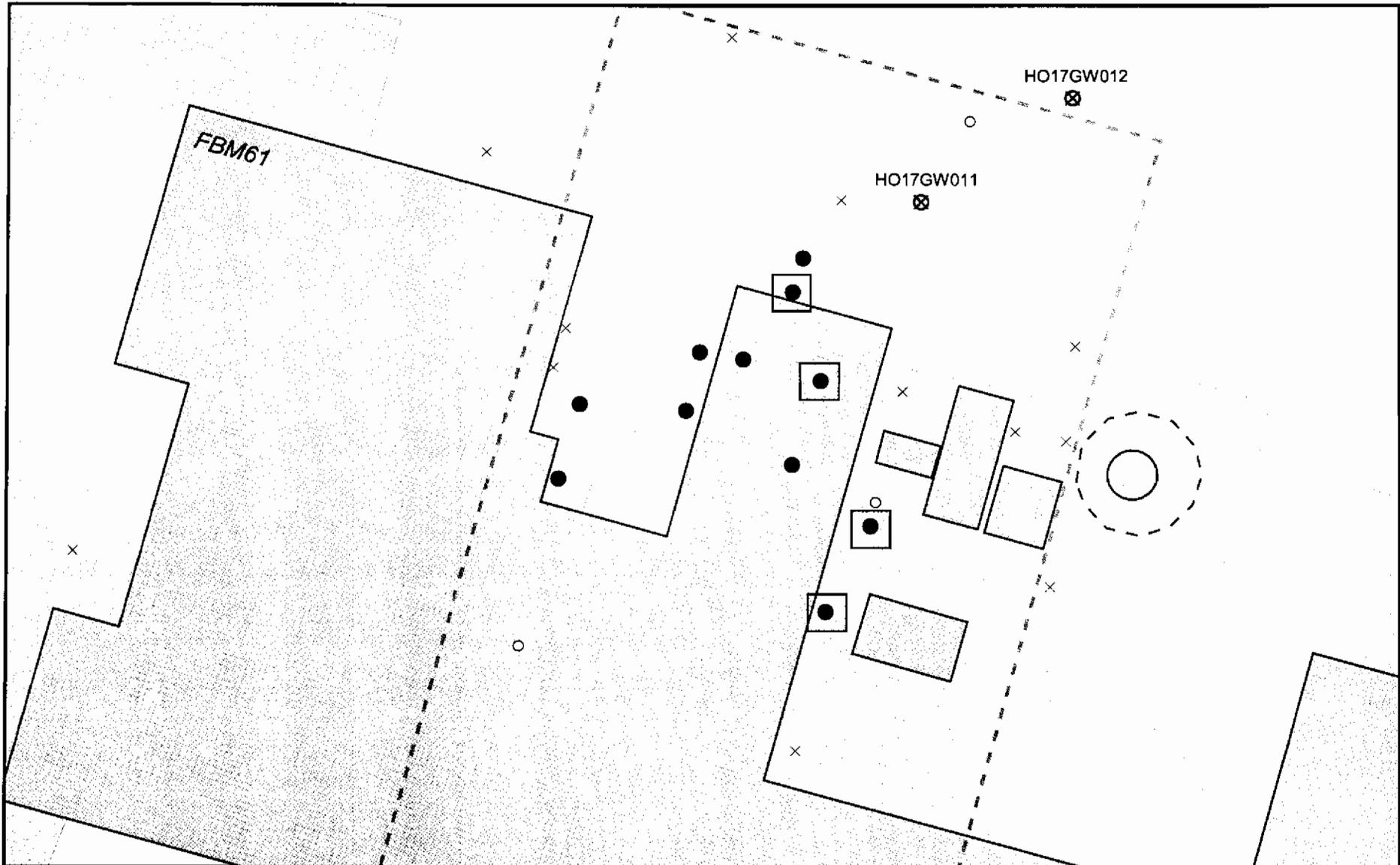
1 **5.8 Evaluation of MNA as a Viable Remediation Alternative**

2 Based on Steps 1 to 6 of the MNA evaluation, an assessment will be made as to whether
3 MNA is a viable remediation alternative. This assessment will take into account whether
4 MNA will meet the RAOs, and if so, whether the RAOs will be met within a reasonable
5 timeframe.

6 The findings of the MNA evaluation will be discussed with the BCT. The MNA evaluation
7 will be documented in a MNA Pilot Test Report which will be submitted to SCDHEC
8 following the completion of the evaluation. A full list of the MNA Pilot Test deliverables
9 and schedule for submission to SCDHEC is provided in Section 6.2.

TABLE 5-1
 Proposed Groundwater Monitoring Parameters for the MNA Pilot Test
 MNA Pilot Test Work Plan, SWMU 17, Zone H, Charleston Naval Complex

Analytical Parameter	Analysis Method	Baseline Monitoring	Biannual Monitoring
Geochemical Parameters			
Carbonate Species (Alkalinity, carbonate, bicarbonate)	EPA 310.1	X	X
Chloride	SW9056	X	X
Nitrate/Nitrite	SW9056	X	X
Sulfate	SW9056	X	X
Sulfide	SW9030	X	X
Major Cations	SW6010B	X	X
TDS	EPA 160.1	X	X
TOC	SW9060	X	X
pH	Field	X	X
Electrical Conductivity	Field	X	X
Oxidation-Reduction Potential	Field	X	X
Temperature	Field	X	X
Turbidity	Field	X	X
Dissolved Gases			
Methane/Carbon Dioxide	EPA 0003C	X	X
Hydrogen	ASTM D1945	X	X
Oxygen	Field	X	X
Dissolved Metals			
Iron II (filtered)	EPA 200.7	X	X
Manganese II (filtered)	EPA 200.7	X	X
COCs			
VOCs	SW 8260B	X	X
SVOCs	SW 8270C	X	X



LEGEND:

Groundwater Sample Locations

● Concentration > MCS

○ Concentration < MCS

X Not Detected

● Where NAPL Occurs

⊗ Proposed Monitoring Well Location

■ Area that exceeds Groundwater MCSs

/∨ Area where Groundwater Concentration may exceed MCSs based on occurrence of NAPL

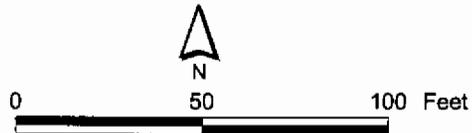
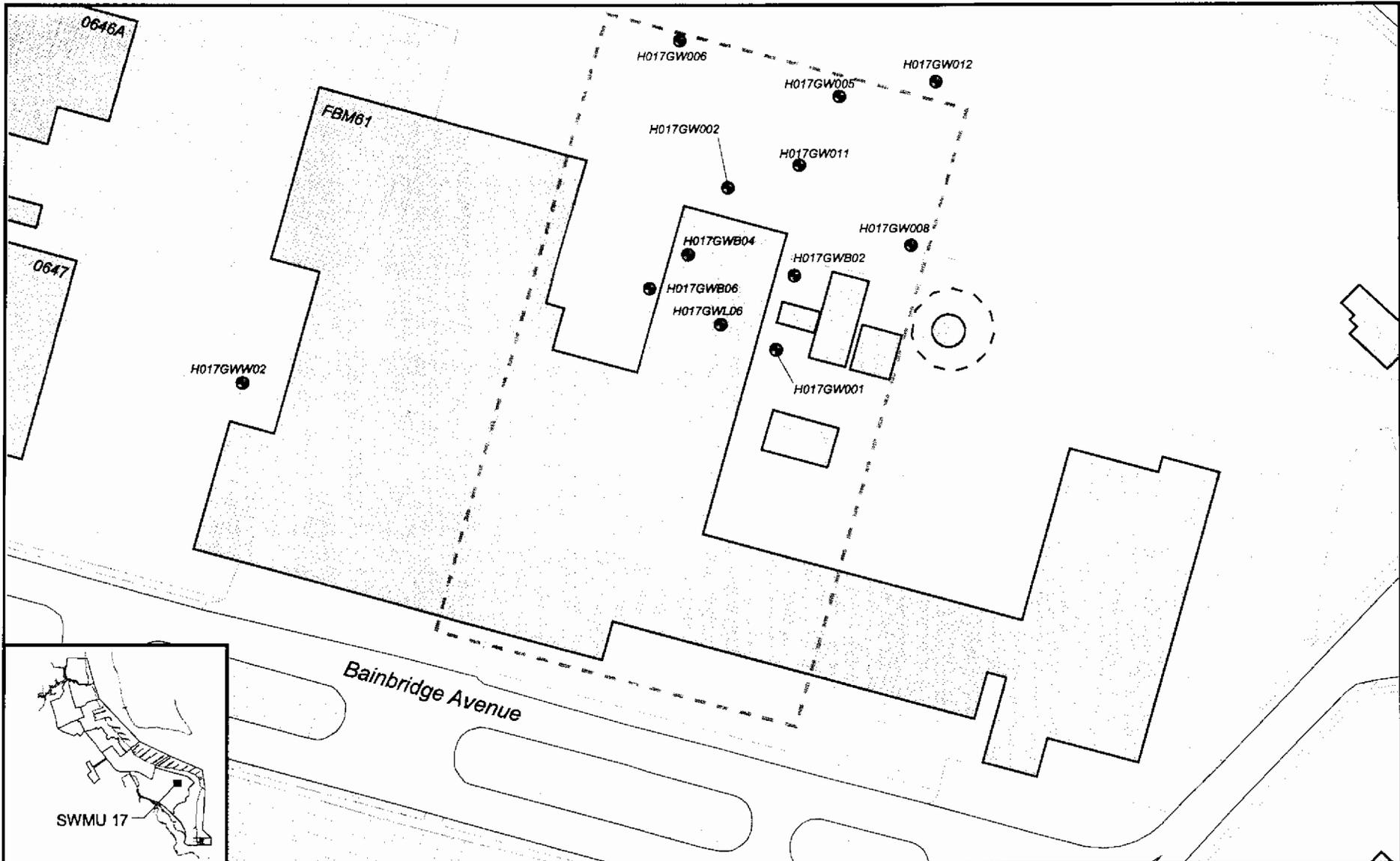


Figure 5-1
 Proposed New Monitoring
 Well Locations
 SWMU 17, Zone H
 Charleston Naval Complex



LEGEND:

- Proposed Groundwater Monitoring Location
- - - SWMU Boundary



Figure 5-2
 Proposed Groundwater Monitoring
 Location Map
 SWMU 17, Zone H
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1 **6.0 Project Schedule**

2 This section presents a conceptualized schedule for implementation of the pilot test, based
3 on elapsed calendar days after receipt of Final MNA Work Plan approval from SCDHEC.

4 **6.1 Field Work and MNA Evaluation**

5 The field work will be initiated within 30 days after Final MNA Work Plan approval.

6 Anticipated milestone tasks for the fieldwork and MNA assessment are outlined as follows:

- 7 • Measurement of groundwater elevations and production of an up-to-date
8 potentiometric surface plan – 30 days after SCDHEC approval of Work Plan
- 9 • New Monitor Well Installation and Development —14 days after completion of
10 potentiometric surface map
- 11 • Baseline Groundwater Monitoring— 21 days after installation and development of new
12 monitoring wells
- 13 • First Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring Event – 3 months after baseline groundwater
14 monitoring
- 15 • Subsequent Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring Events —3 months after previous
16 groundwater monitoring event
- 17 • Estimate of Biodegradation Rates – 21 days after receipt of the last set of analytical data
18 from Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring
- 19 • Comparison of Contaminant Transport Rates and Biodegradation Rates – 21 days after
20 completion of Estimate of Biodegradation Rates
- 21 • Final Evaluation of MNA —30 days after completion of Comparison of Contaminant
22 Transport Rates and Biodegradation Rates

23 **6.2 Deliverables**

24 The proposed schedule for project deliverables is based on the assumptions made for
25 completion of field work, groundwater monitoring and evaluation of MNA described in
26 Section 6.1. Target dates for key deliverables are summarized below:

- 1 • Revision 1 Work Plan/ Response to DHEC Comments—30 days after receipt of
2 SCDHEC comments on Draft Work Plan
- 3 • Interim Progress Reports —30 days after receipt of analytical data for each sampling
4 event
- 5 • Draft MNA Pilot Test Report —90 days after receipt of the analytical data from the final
6 Groundwater Monitoring Event
- 7 • Response to SCDHEC comments on Draft MNA Pilot Test Report —30 days after receipt
8 of comments
- 9 • Final MNA Pilot Test Report —30 days after comments/responses are finalized

1 **7.0 Investigation-Derived Waste**

2 During field activities, a certain amount of IDW will be generated in association with
3 personal protection, monitor well installation and development, and groundwater sampling
4 activities. The majority of the soil cuttings generated is expected to be below applicable
5 disposal criteria, because new well installation is occurring downgradient of the source
6 areas. Every effort will be made to minimize the amount of IDW generated during this
7 work.

8 At each new well location, soil cuttings, development water and groundwater purge water
9 will be containerized separately in closed Department of Transportation (DOT) 55-gallon
10 steel drums, staged on pallets near each new well. The drums will each be labeled with the
11 date of generation, type of waste, and associated monitoring well identification number.
12 The analytical results obtained for each well will be used to determine the proper disposal
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5 disposal criteria, because new well installation is occurring downgradient of the source
6 areas. Every effort will be made to minimize the amount of IDW generated during this
7 work.

8 At each new well location, soil cuttings, development water and groundwater purge water
9 will be containerized separately in closed Department of Transportation (DOT) 55-gallon
10 steel drums, staged on pallets near each new well. The drums will each be labeled with the
11 date of generation, type of waste, and associated monitoring well identification number.
12 The analytical results obtained for each well will be used to determine the proper disposal
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