

# API and BP Training Initiatives

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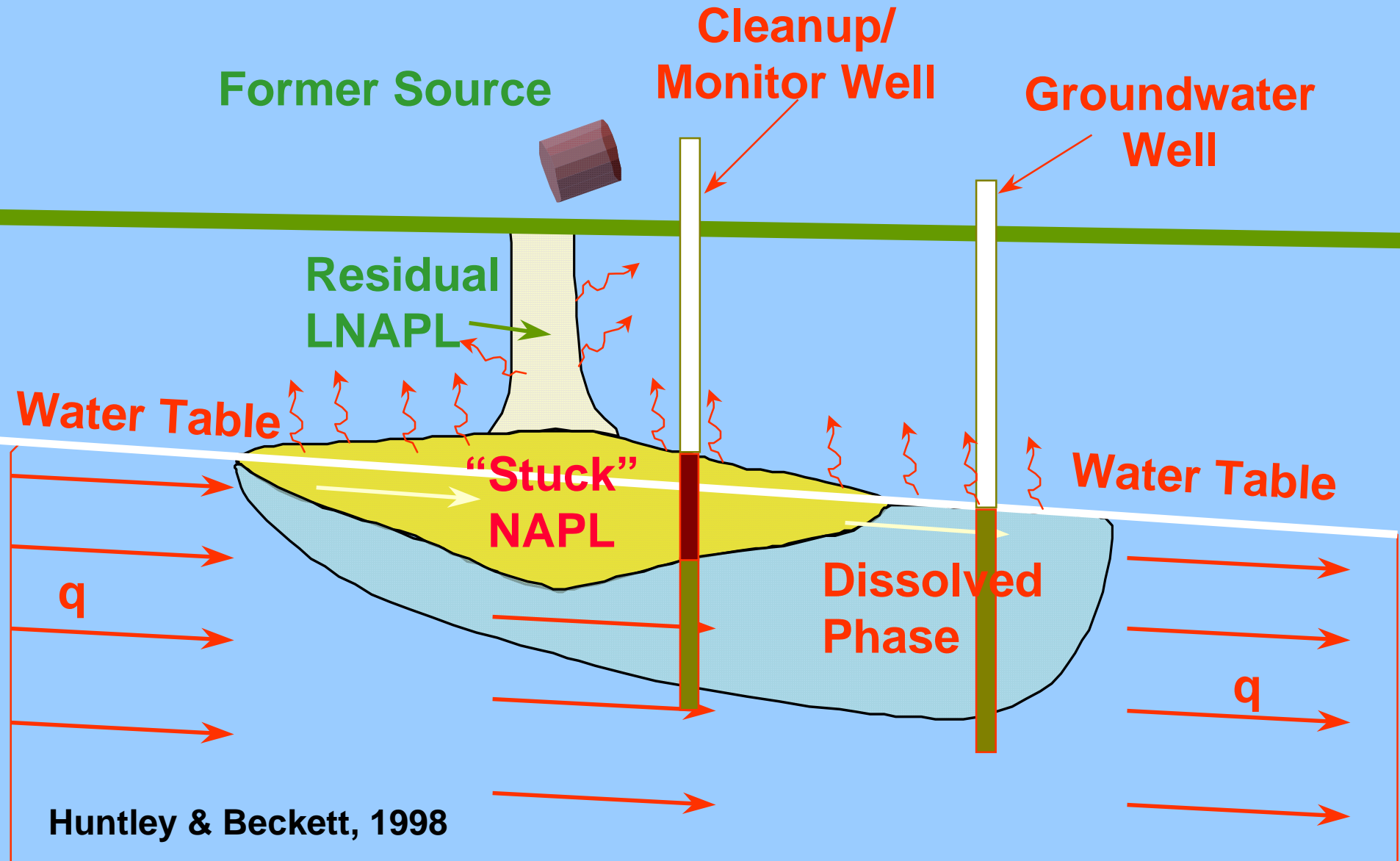
ASSESSMENT OF LNAPL SOURCES:  
Distribution, Mobility, Risk and  
Risk Reduction

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# LNAPL Spill Scenario



# Terminology

- > **LNAPL: light nonaqueous phase liquid,**
  - **Hydrocarbon, fuel, oil, petroleum, etc.**
  - **Multiphase:** the presence of more than one fluid phase in soil pores
  - **Multicomponent:** the fractional presence of multiple chemicals
  - **Saturation:** fraction of available pore space occupied by a fluid
  - **Residual saturation:** saturation at/below which fluid is immobilized
  - **Source removal:** reduction in LNAPL mass, natural or active
  - **Mobility:** capacity of LNAPL to move under prevailing conditions
  - **Risk:** quantitative health risk of specific compounds in petroleum products (above or below de minimis)
  - **Risk reduction:** the decrease in risk magnitude or longevity from source reduction
  - **Mixed units:** you bet, sorry, but the lessons stand regardless of units



# Talk Outline

- Introduction to LNAPL & issues
  - Terms, jargon & FAQs
  - Additional reference materials & NAPL tools
  - Overview of some key issues & observations
- Tech talk
  - Capillarity, saturation, mobility
  - Local area vs plume-wide mobility
  - Chemical aspects
  - Questionable ROT (rules of thumb)
- Remediation & recoverability
- Problem solving using screening tools
- Wrap-up & open discussion



# Workshop Context

- Develop issues related to LNAPL recovery & risk
- Provide background to assist in LNAPL decisions
- Forum for brainstorming issues & problems
  - We're here together, let's talk about this
- This workshop is not a regulatory forum
  - We have no specific proposals for change
  - We are as confused as anyone else
  - We all do better when using solid principles
- Keep in mind the inherent uncertainty in geology..



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# LNAPL

## Distribution, Recovery, and Regulatory Approach

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# Our Purpose

- > LNAPL distribution in soil, the volume present, and it's potential recovery are not very well understood
- > Scientifically sound understanding and the ability to make quantitative calculations are now becoming readily accessible
- > The subject is very complicated
- > The data acquisition and analysis could become quite costly
- > But we believe that expectations of LNAPL recovery should be practical and realistic and meet the needs of the interested parties
- > Thus our goal is to educate the interested parties on the science, and work with them to fulfill all our needs



Questions: How much LNAPL is there,  
How much can be practicality recovered, and  
Will that which remains pose a risk?

- > Topics

- > Distribution of free phase in soils
  - > Capillary Pressure, Soil and Fluid Properties
- > Monitoring well thickness vs. volume of LNAPL in soil
  - > Generally the primary measurement we have
- > Mobility of hydrocarbon phase in soils
  - > Affects spreading and recovery
- > Recovery of free phase: API models
- > Dissolved phase plumes
  - > Affect of source removal on plume length and life
- > Risk
- > Regulatory Approaches



# Analysis of LNAPL Contamination Distribution and Recovery

Vic Kremesec, Mark Adamski, Ravi Kolhatkar

November 29, 2001



# CLASS AGENDA

- > Introductions
- > Overview and Basic review of capillarity, saturation, and mobility Vic
- > Review of LNAPL Distribution and Recovery Models
- > API Characterization Manual- sampling techniques Mark
- > Charbeneau/API Spreadsheets Ravi
- > Kremesec Spreadsheet for LNAPL Distribution Vic
- > Comparison of field observations of mobility with other measurements: Ravi
- > FFD and baildown tests
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- > Lunch
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- > Case Study 1 Fine grained soil Mark
- > Introduction of Sugar Creek data
- > Capillary pressure data - fitting with RETC
- > Apply API model for distribution, saturation and recovery inputs
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- > Case Study 2: Coarse grained soil Ravi
- > Whiting data and model application
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- > S/GW CoE data: Comparison of predictions with site data Vic
- > API LNAPL Project Updates Vic

