
HYDRAULICS AT A ZVI PRB SITE

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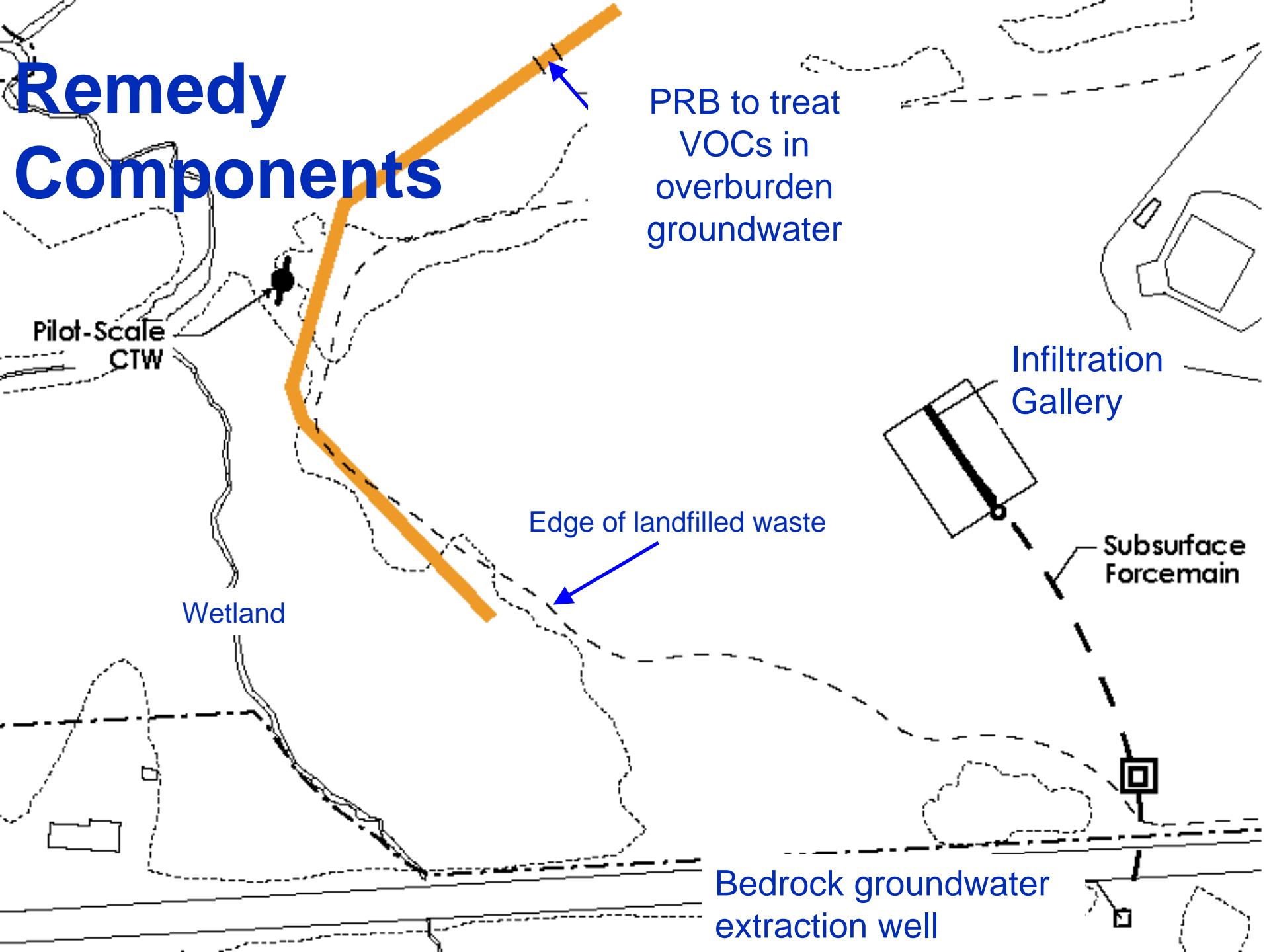


Overview

- Background Information
- “Hanging PRB”- Flow Diversion
- PRB Hydraulic Testing
- Seasonal Gradient Reversals

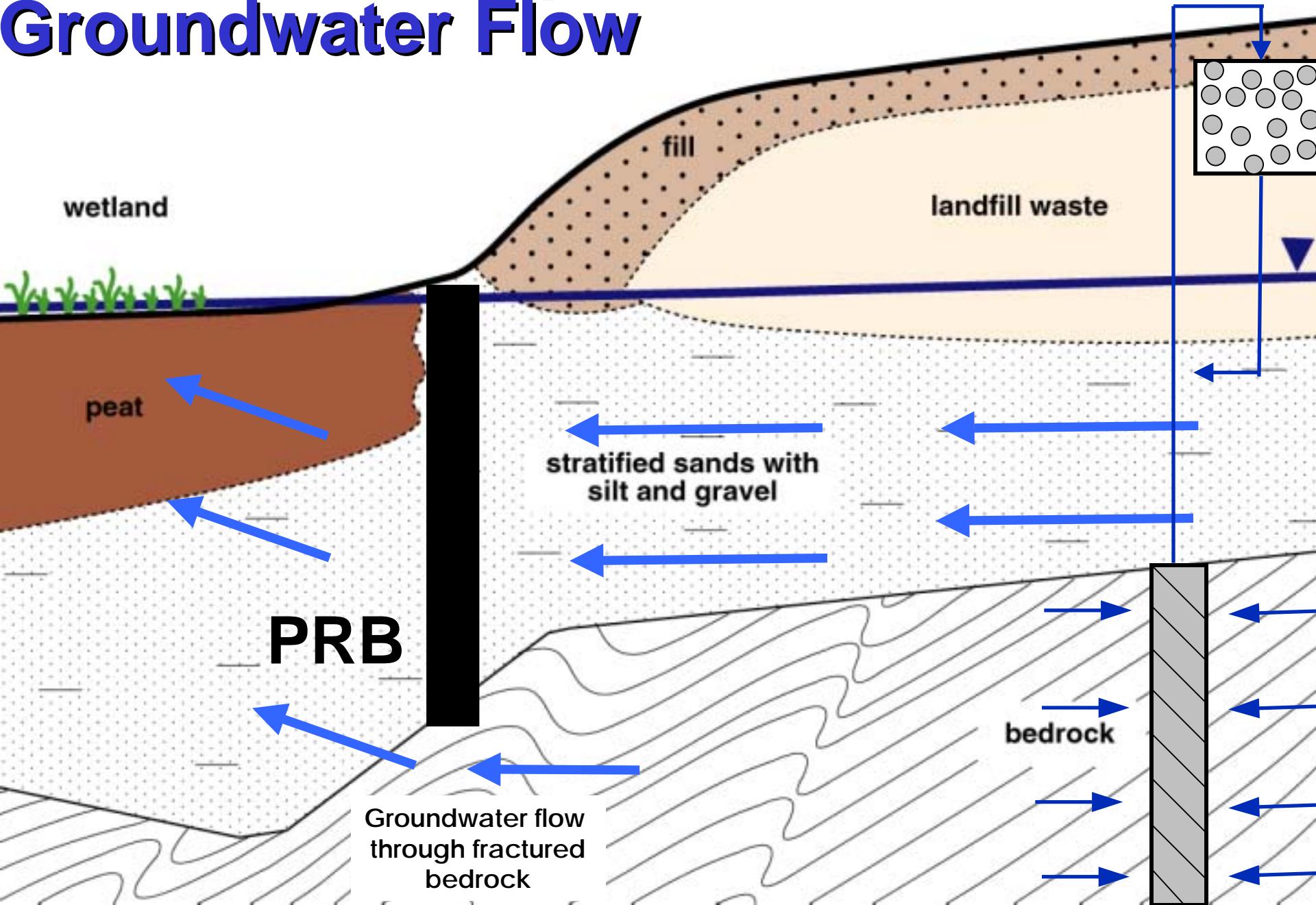


Remedy Components

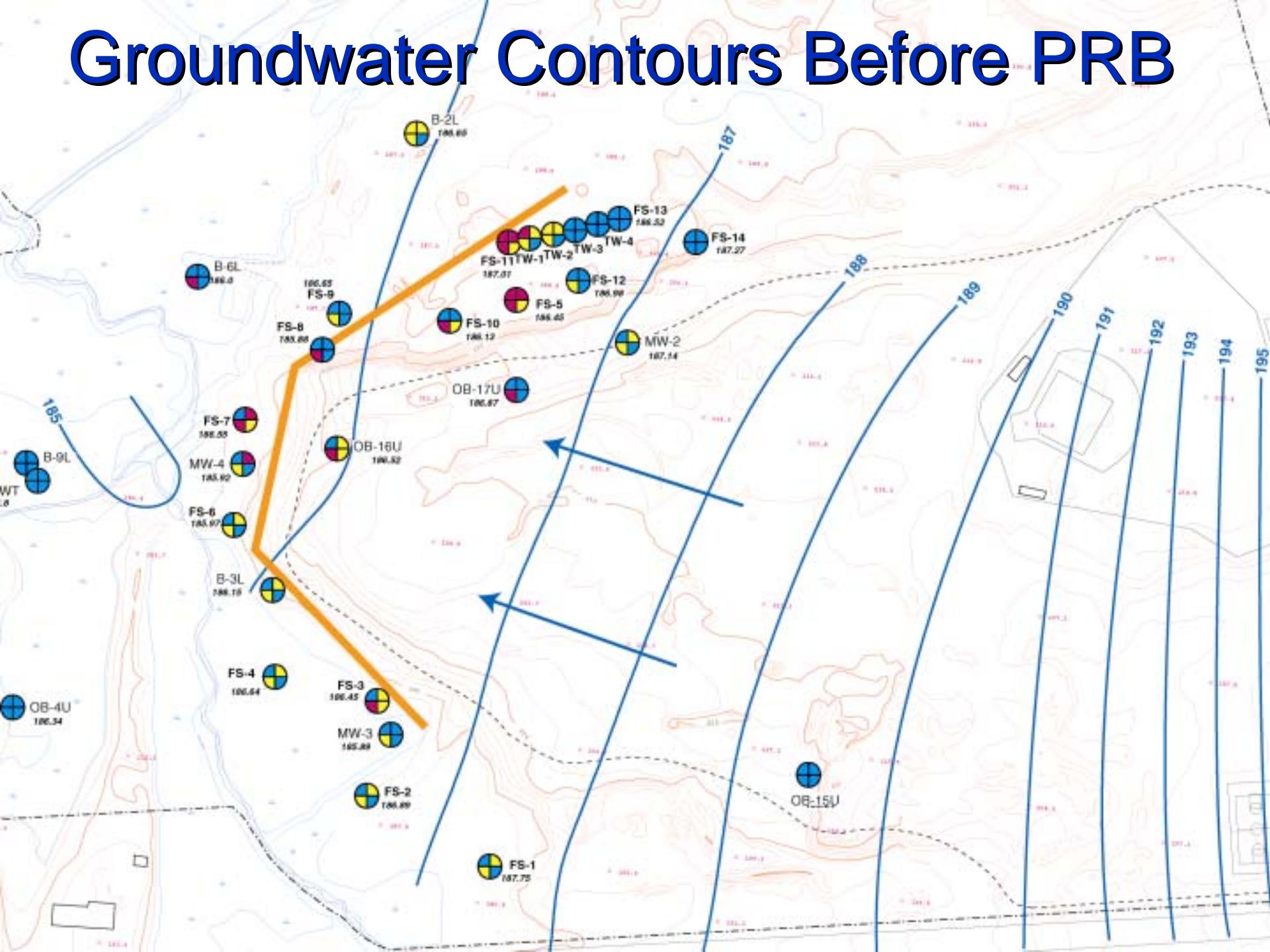


PRB to Intercept Groundwater Flow

Bedrock groundwater extraction & re-injection

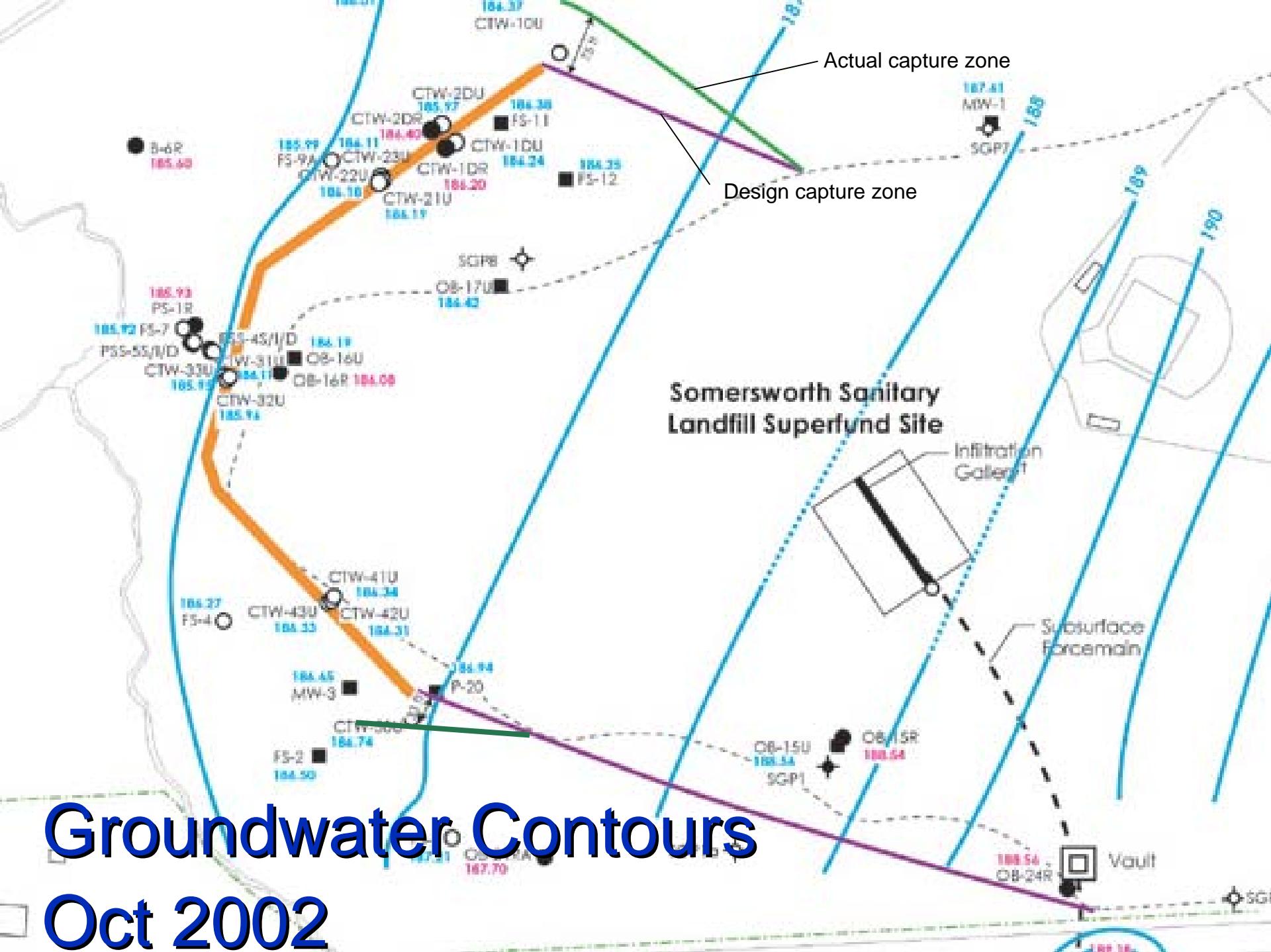


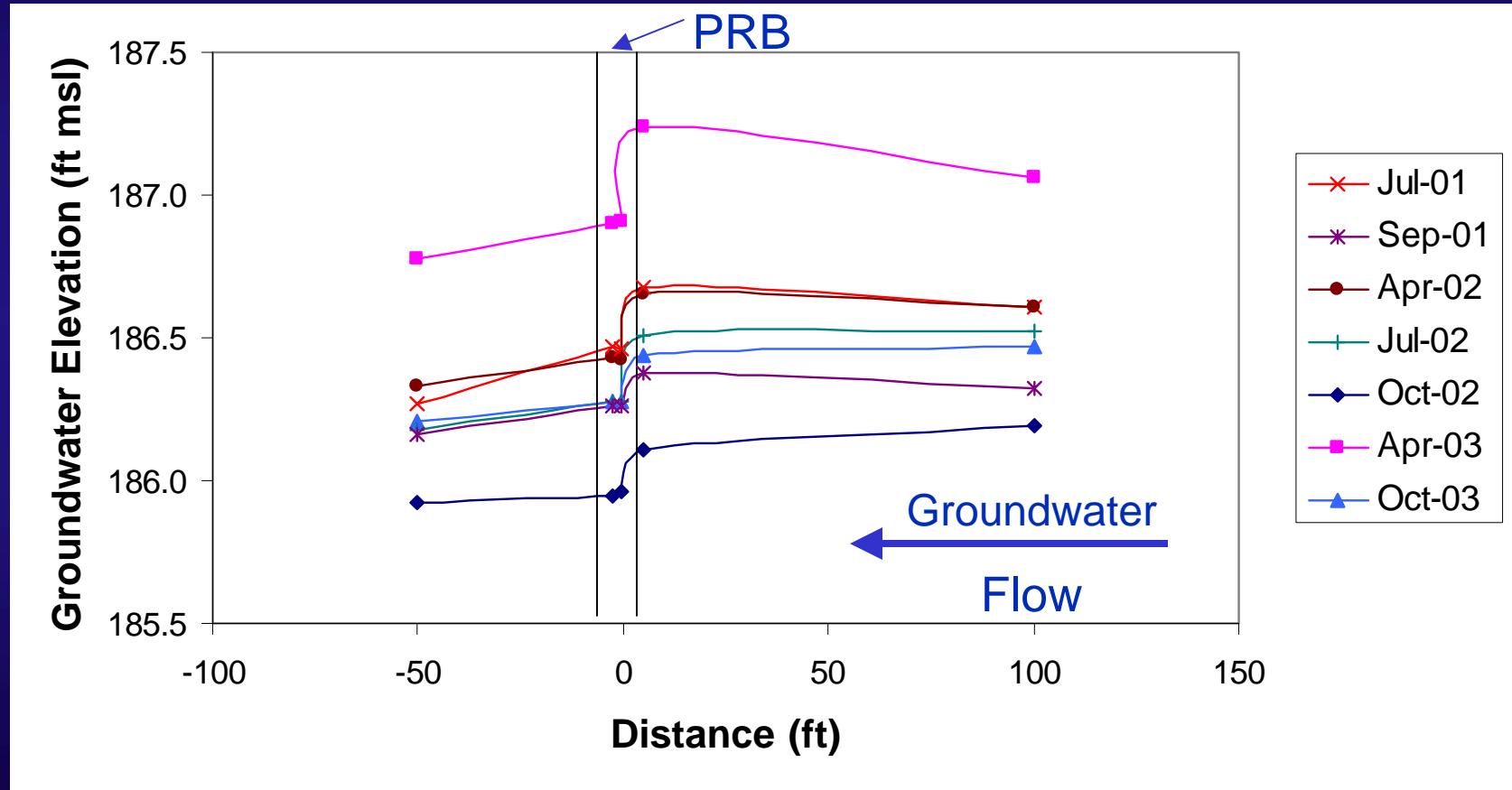
Groundwater Contours Before PRB



Groundwater Contours

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Design & Monitoring Considerations

- “Hanging” PRB – flow diversion
- PRB hydraulic testing



Somersworth Site Geology

- Little contrast between permeable aquifer and iron

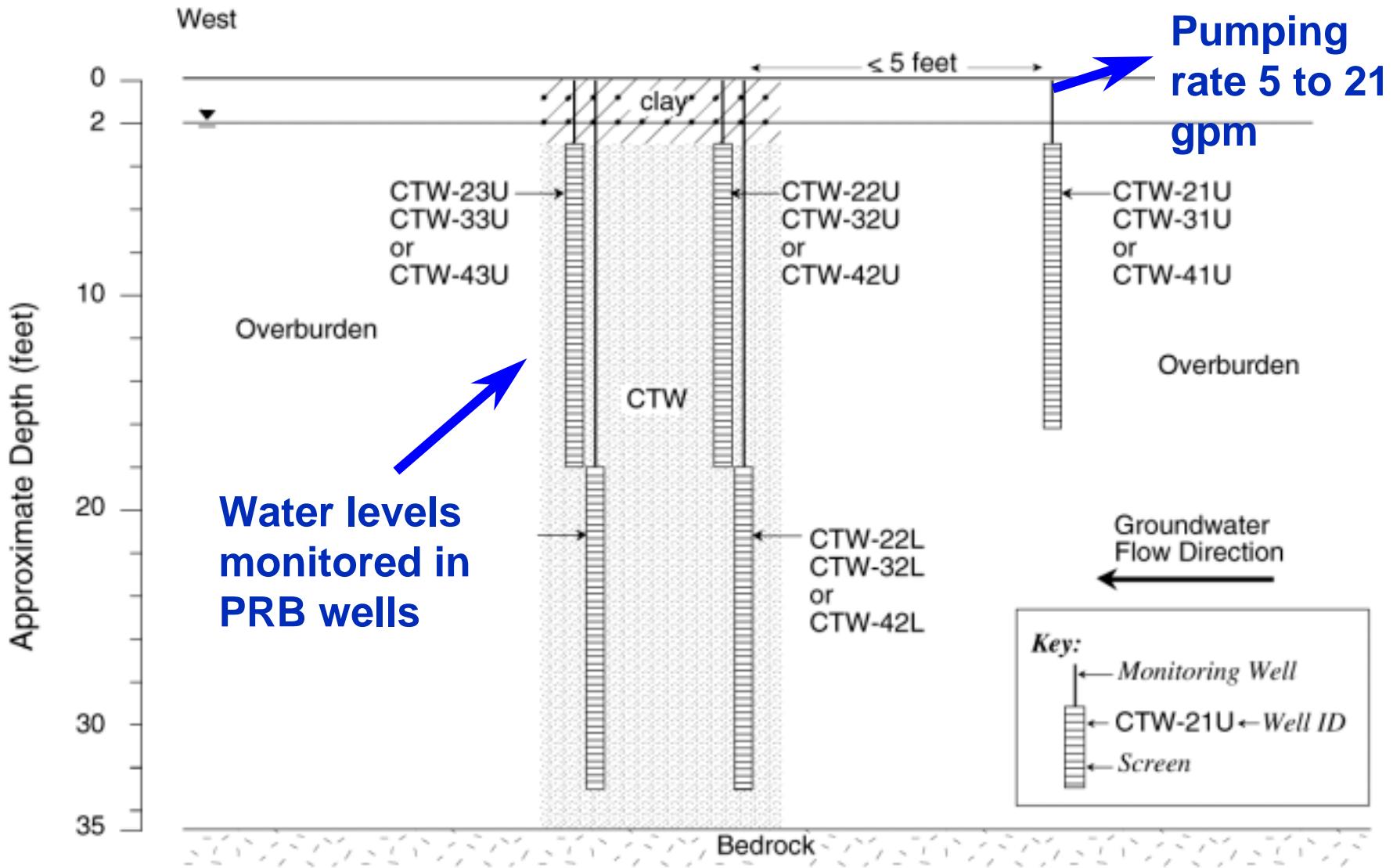


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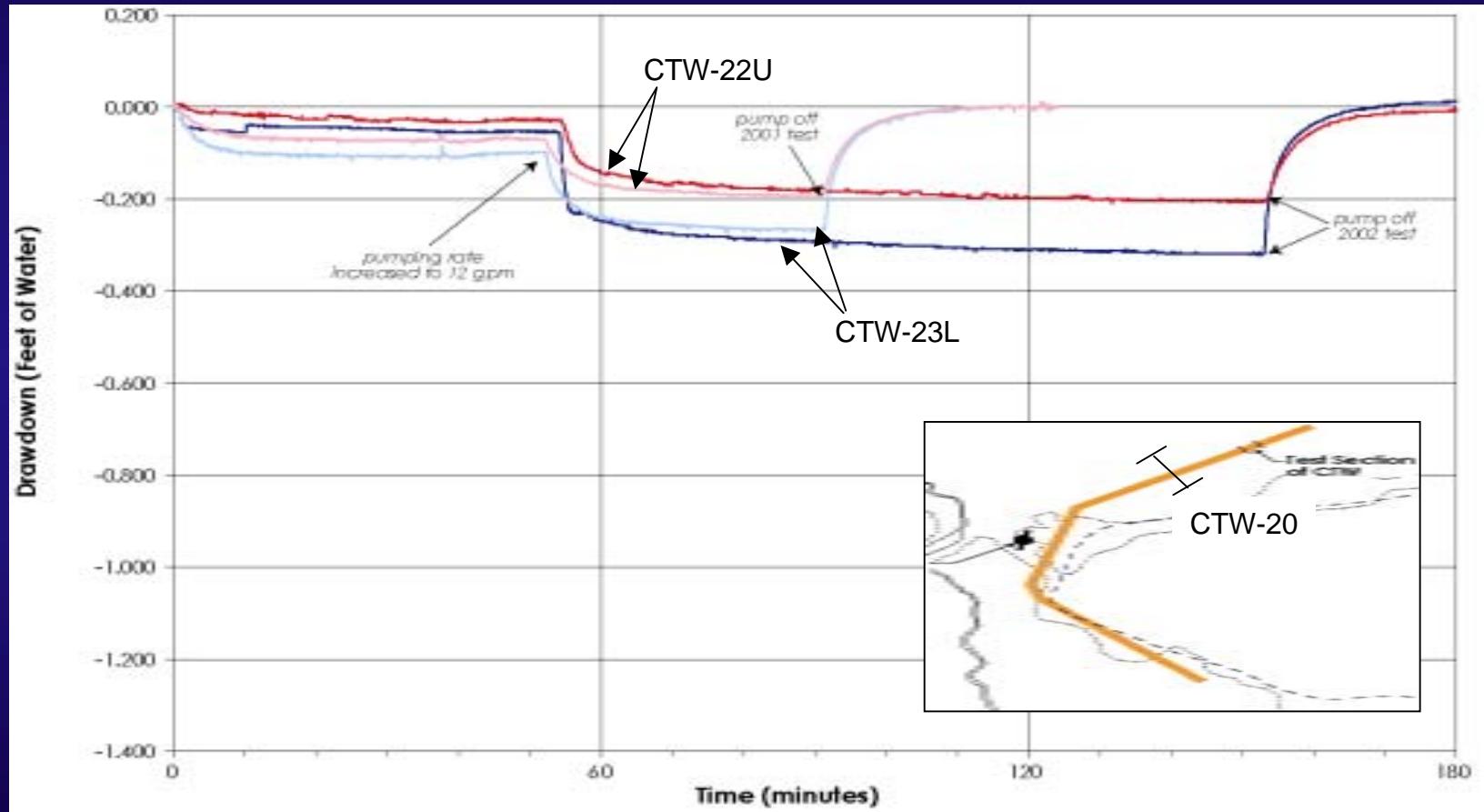
- Evaluate potential PRB permeability changes
- “Lessons learned” from testing in the PRB
 - Slug tests showed instantaneous response
 - Pneumatic tests showed oscillatory behavior
- Pump testing implemented



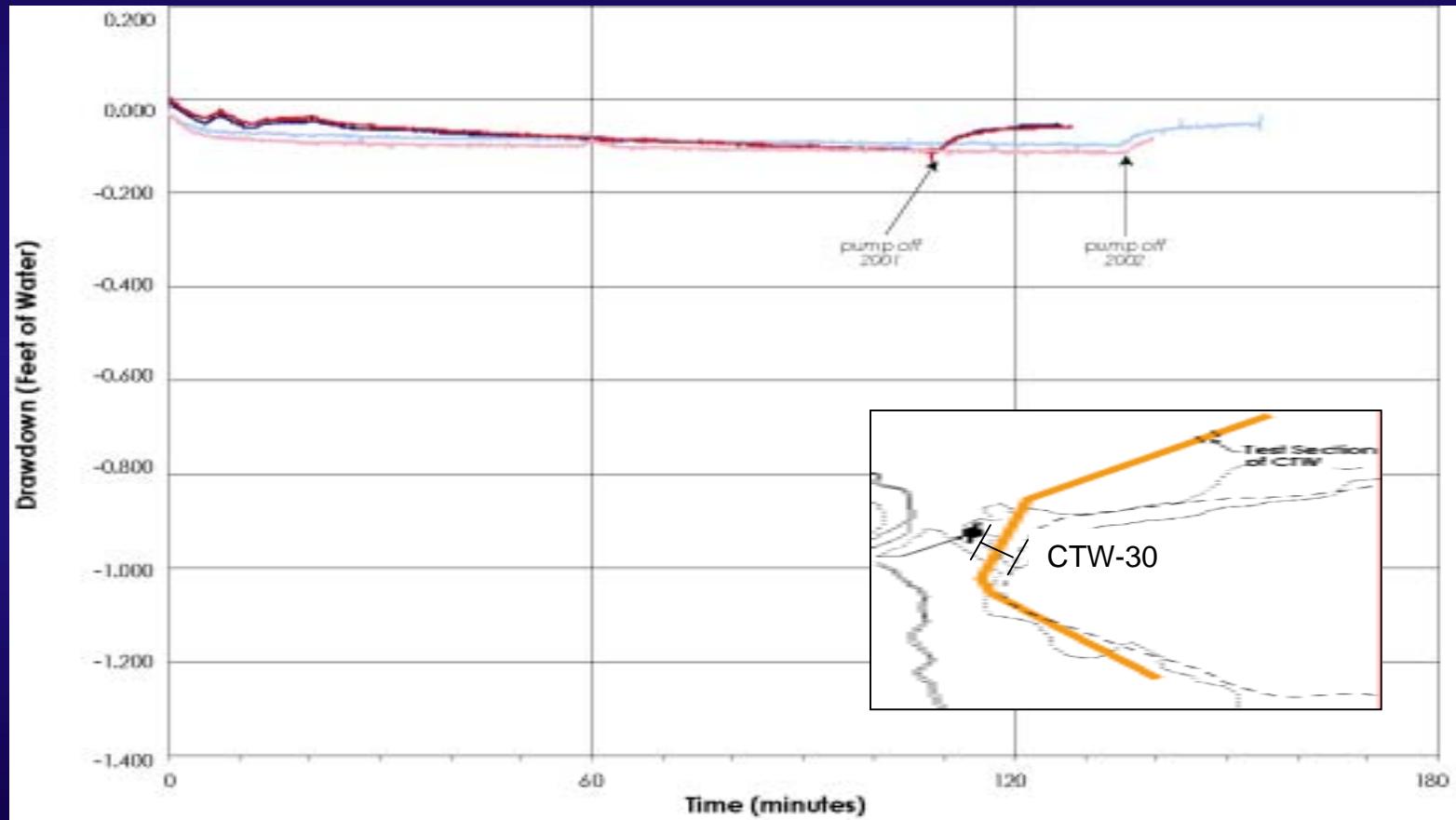
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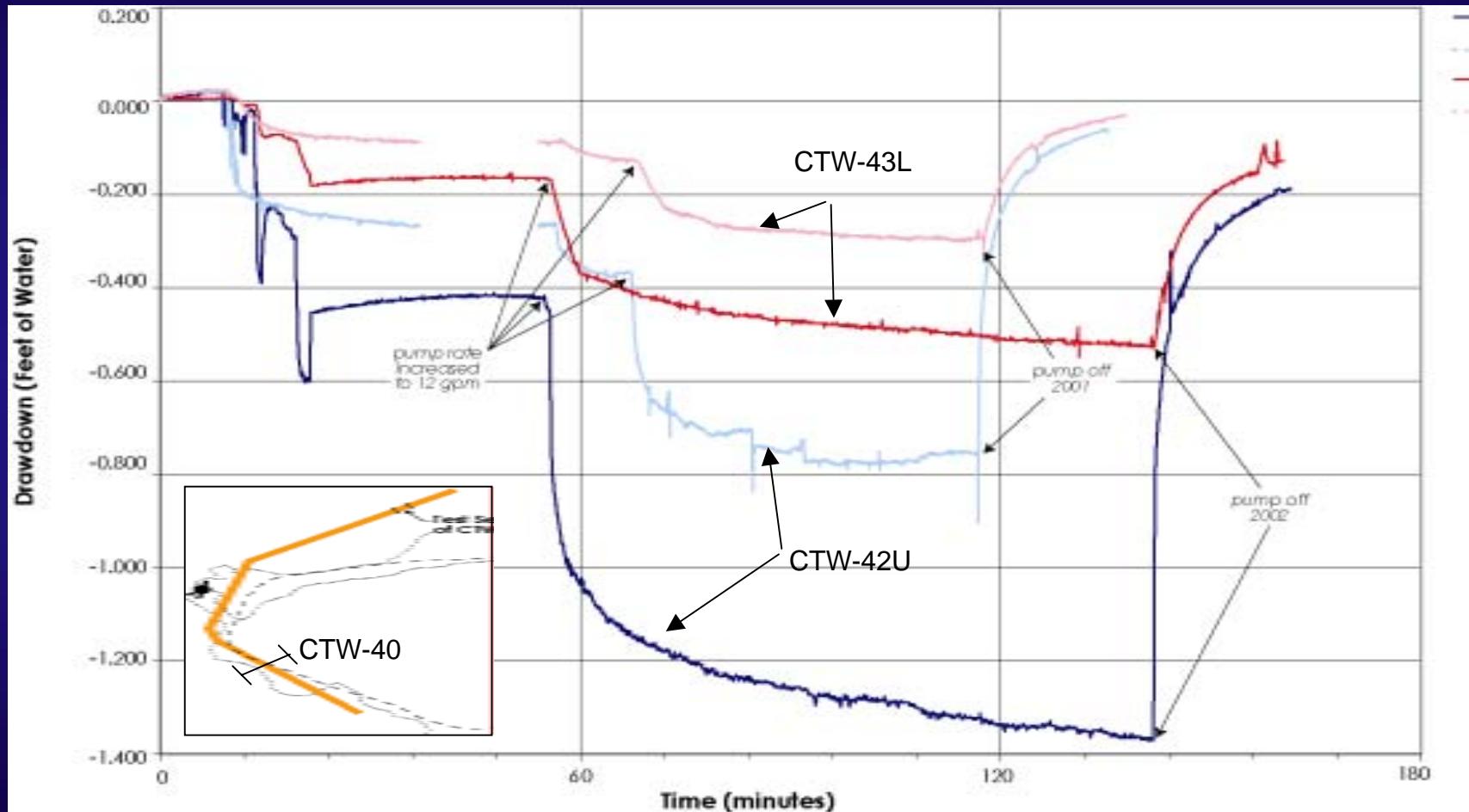
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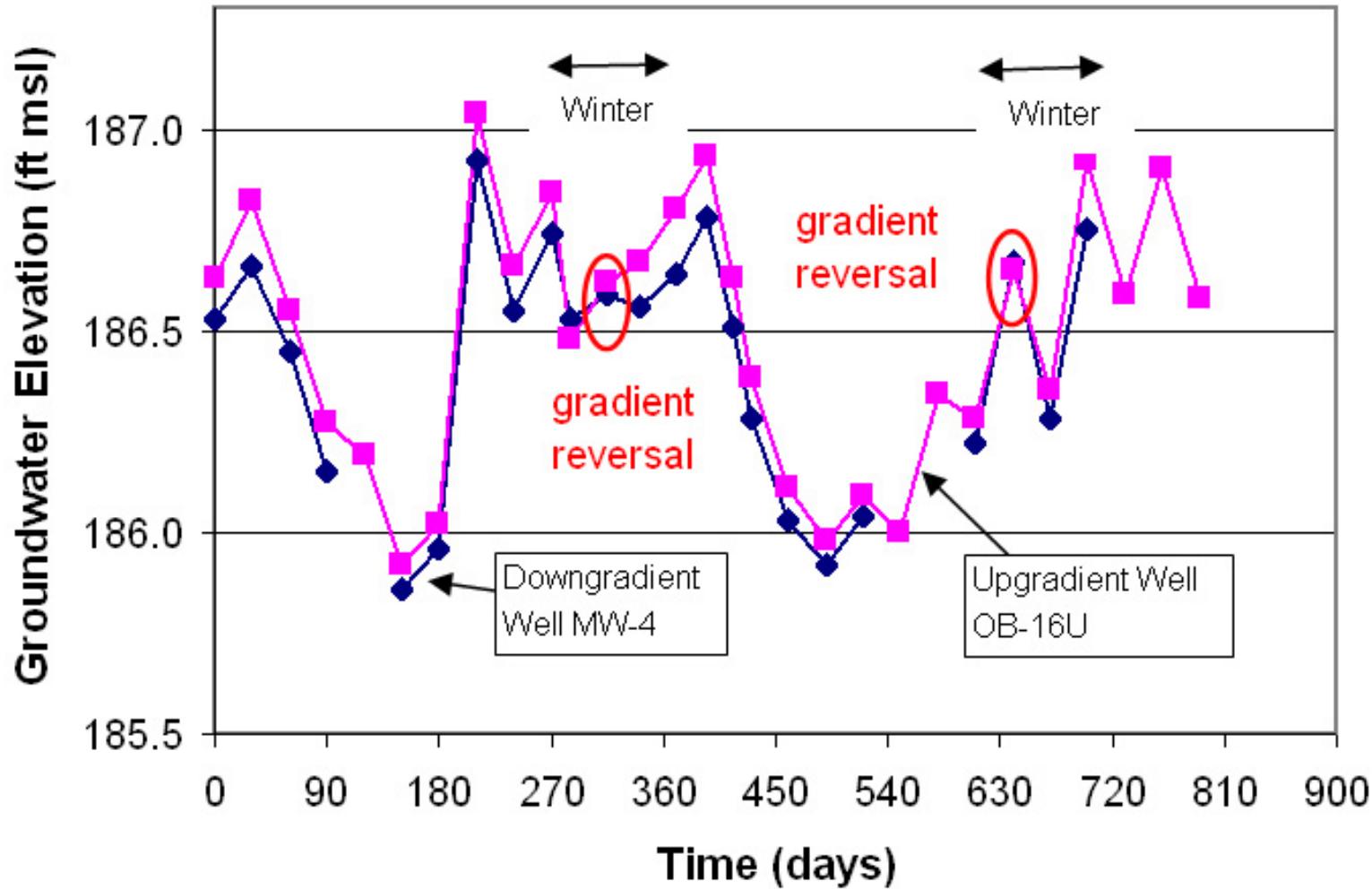


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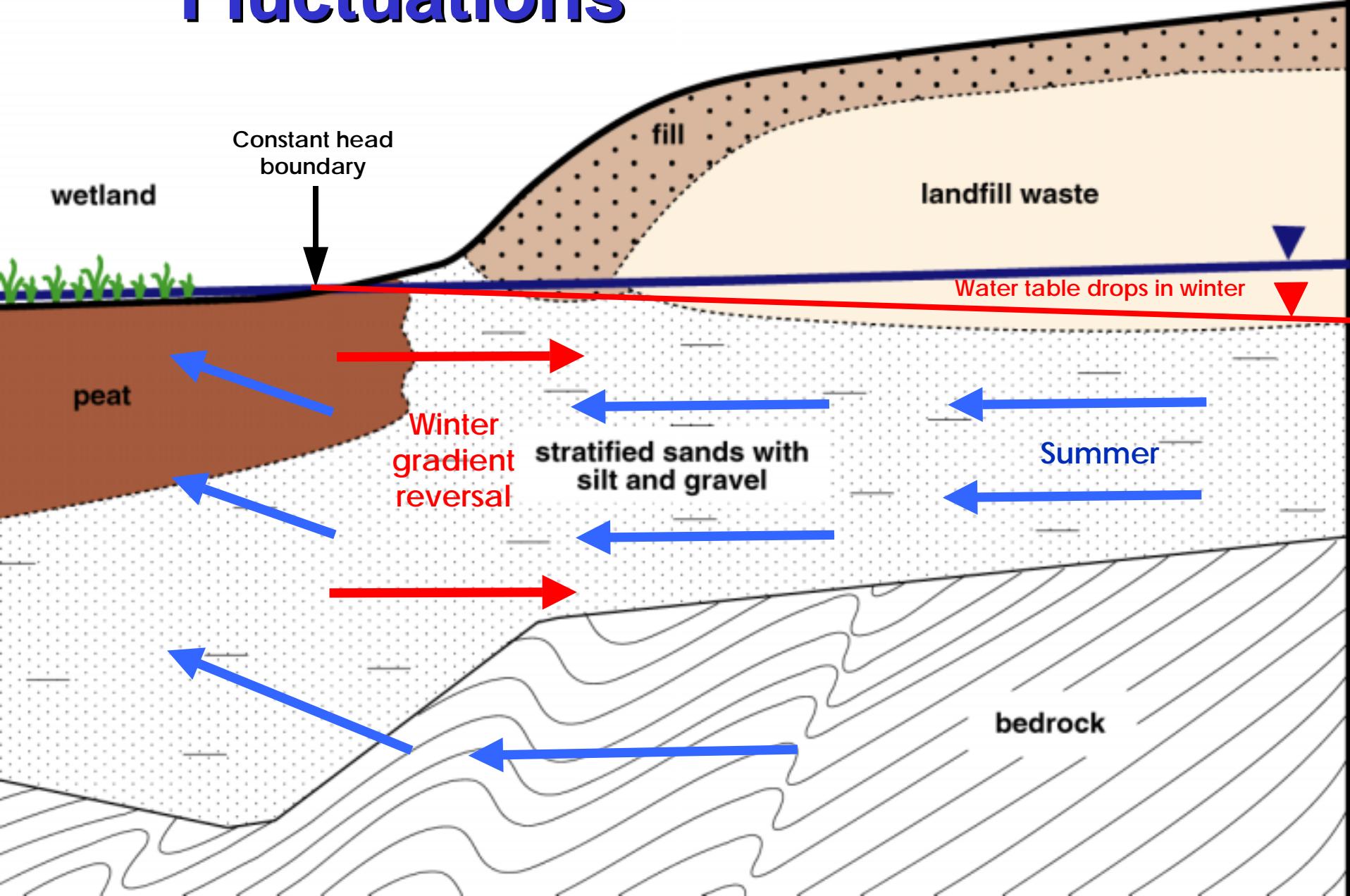
- “Hanging” PRB – flow diversion
- Low permeability contrast – aquifer vs. iron
- Seasonal groundwater flow reversals



Seasonal Reversals



Seasonal Water Table Fluctuations



Conclusions

- Small amount of mounding on upgradient side of PRB but flux of VOCs diverted around/beneath PRB is not significant
- Northern and central PRB segments show no significant permeability changes
- Southern PRB segment shows change – may be result of bioslurry breakdown or permeability reductions
- Winter gradient reversals obscure geochemical profile within PRB, but don't appear to negatively impact PRB performance

