

PERFORMANCE MONITORING  
OF THE SPILL SITE 7 ZVI  
PERMABLE REACTIVE BARRIER

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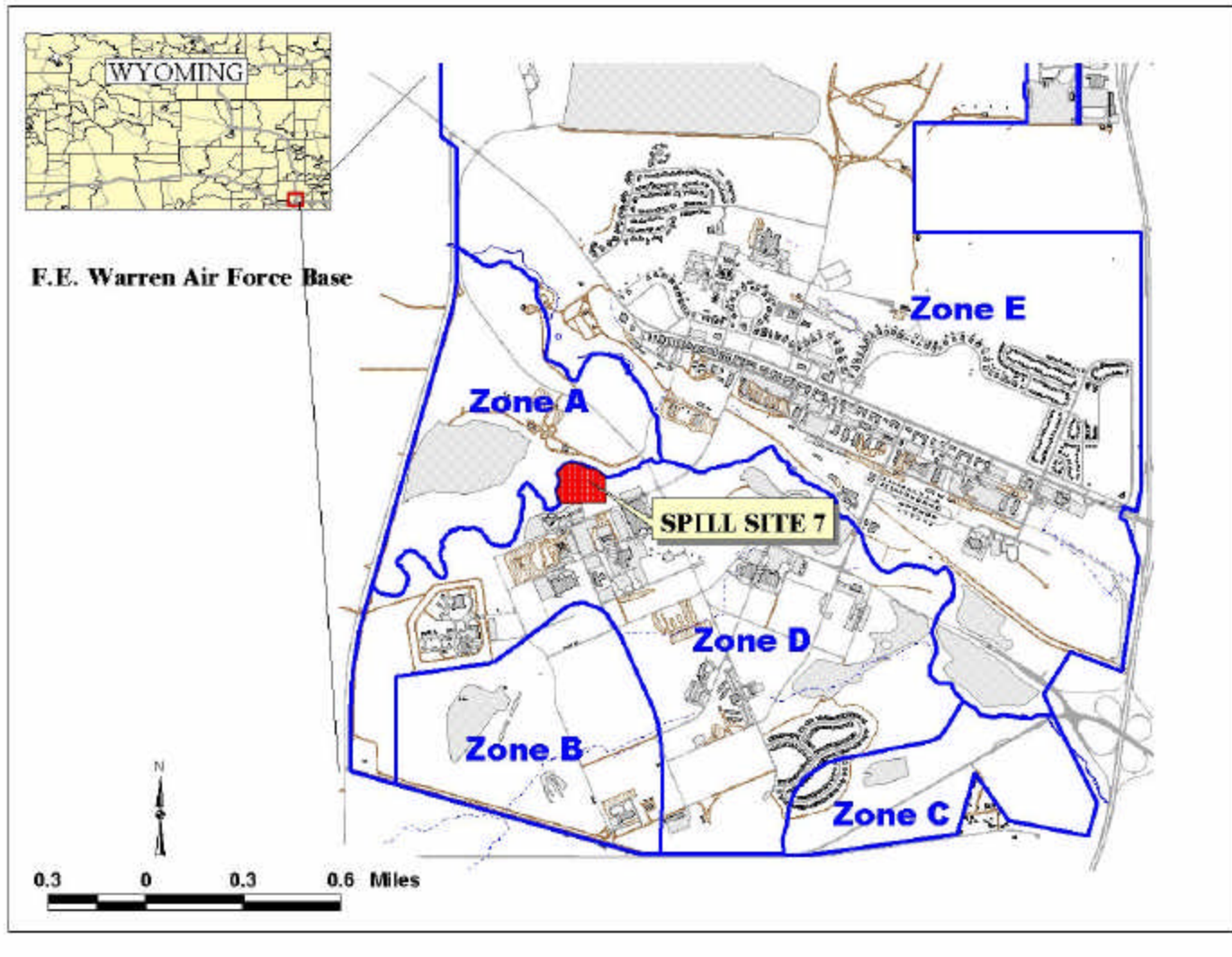
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# OUTLINE

- v Introduction & Background
- v Performance Monitoring Objectives
- v Performance Monitoring Network
- v Performance Monitoring Results
- v Future Activities
- v Treatability Studies
- v Summary of Results

# FEW and SS7 Location Map



# NATURE of CONTAMINATION

- v Liquid Oxygen Production
- v Trichloroethene (TCE) used as degreaser
- v Discharged to Grease Trap
- v Drained to Surface Drainage Ditch
- v Infiltrated to Groundwater
- v Maximum TCE = 21,000  $\mu\text{g/L}$
- v Groundwater/Surface Water Interaction
- v Interim remedial action in **Zone D** (1997)

# REMEDIAL ACTION OBJECTIVES

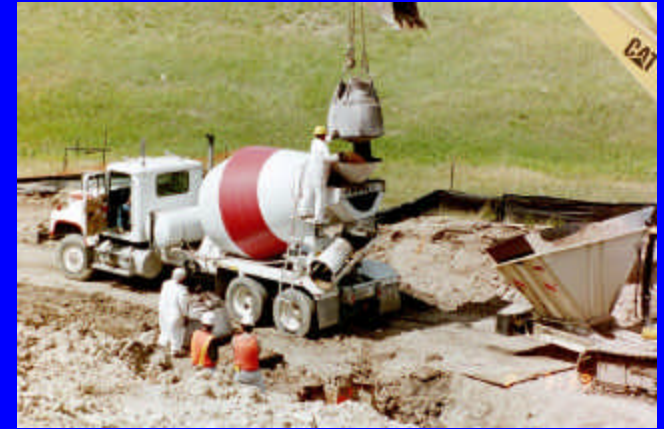
- v Minimize future potential to ingest COCs by reducing concentrations in upper 15 feet of groundwater to MCLs
- v Minimize COC loading to Diamond Creek

# PRB CONSTRUCTION

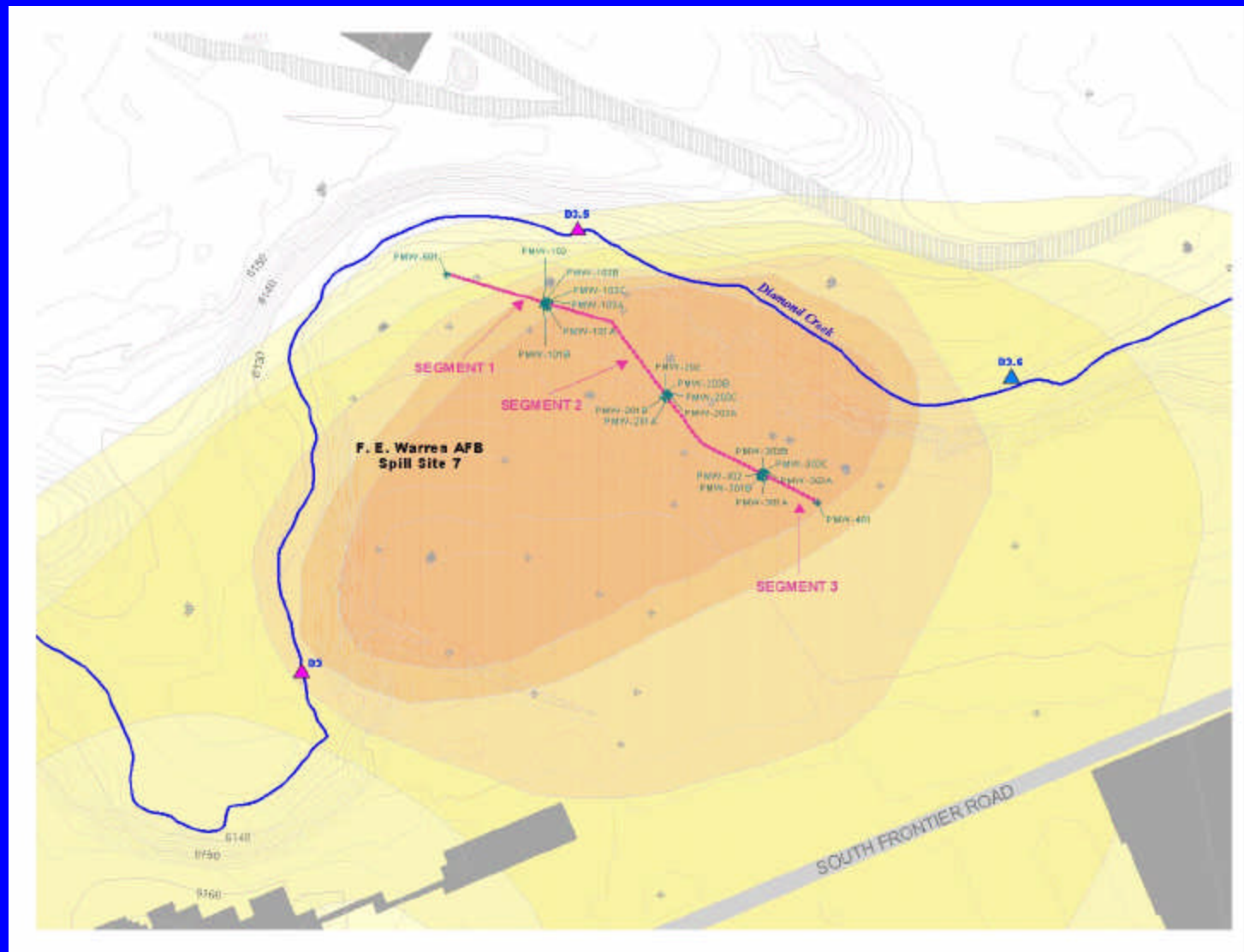
- v Installed during July/August 1999
- v Continuous 568 foot Iron-Filings PRB
- v 3 Segments
  - COC Concentrations and Distribution
  - Groundwater Velocity (1.3 feet/day)
  - Groundwater Flow Direction
- v Performance monitoring network



# PRB Construction



# SS7 SITE MAP





# PERFORMANCE MONITORING OBJECTIVES

- v COCs reduced to treatment goals
- v Effects on groundwater flow paths
- v Contaminant loading to Diamond Creek
- v Byproducts impacting Diamond Creek

# PERFORMANCE MONITORING NETWORK

## v Groundwater

- Monitoring wells: Quarterly then semi-annually
- Analysis for COCs and water quality parameters
  - v pH, ORP (Eh), DO, Conductivity, Metals, Cl, N, SO<sub>4</sub>
- Water-level measurements

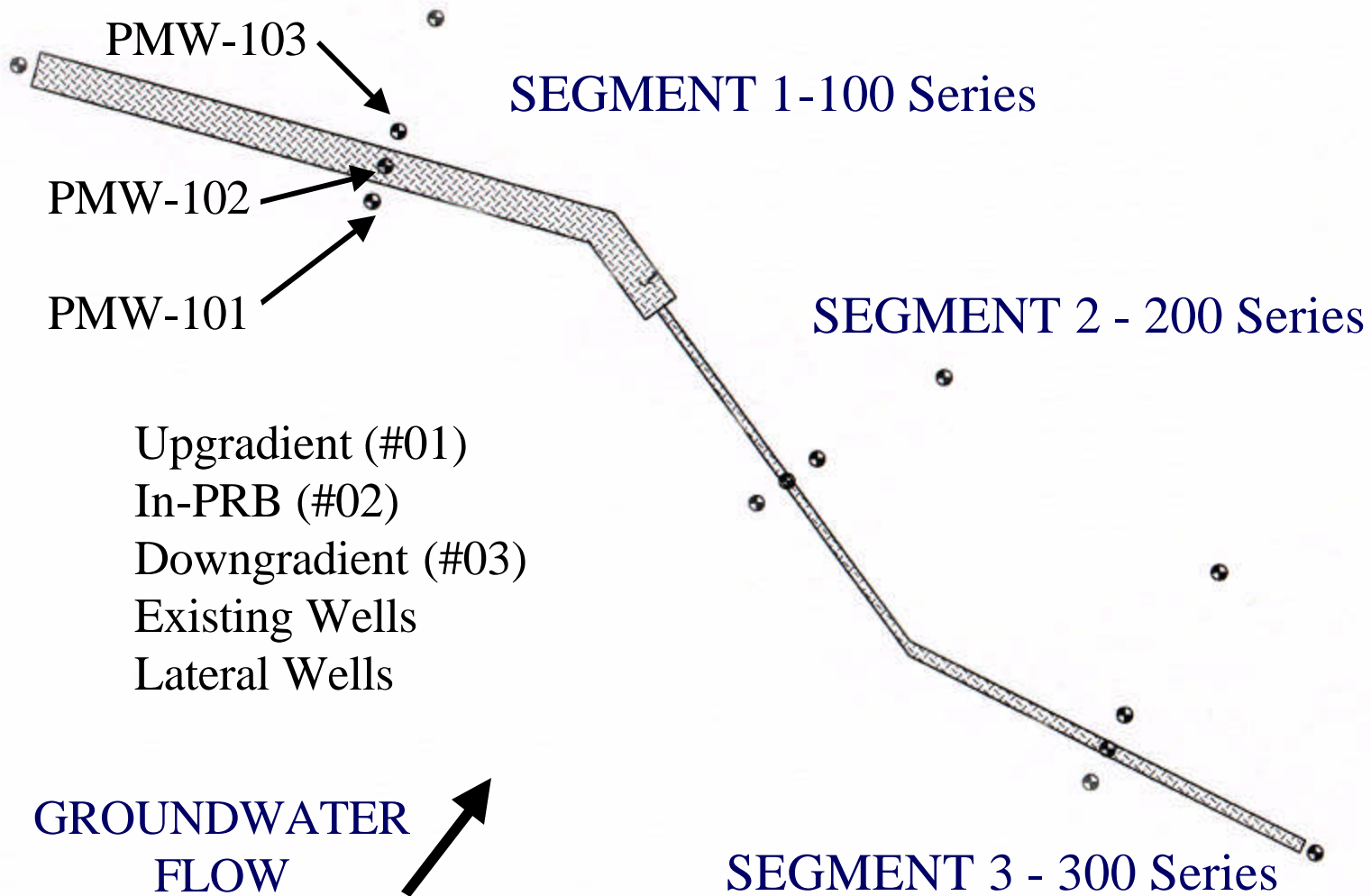
## v Surface Water

- SW locations: Quarterly then semi-annually
- Analysis for COCs and water quality parameters
- Water-level measurements

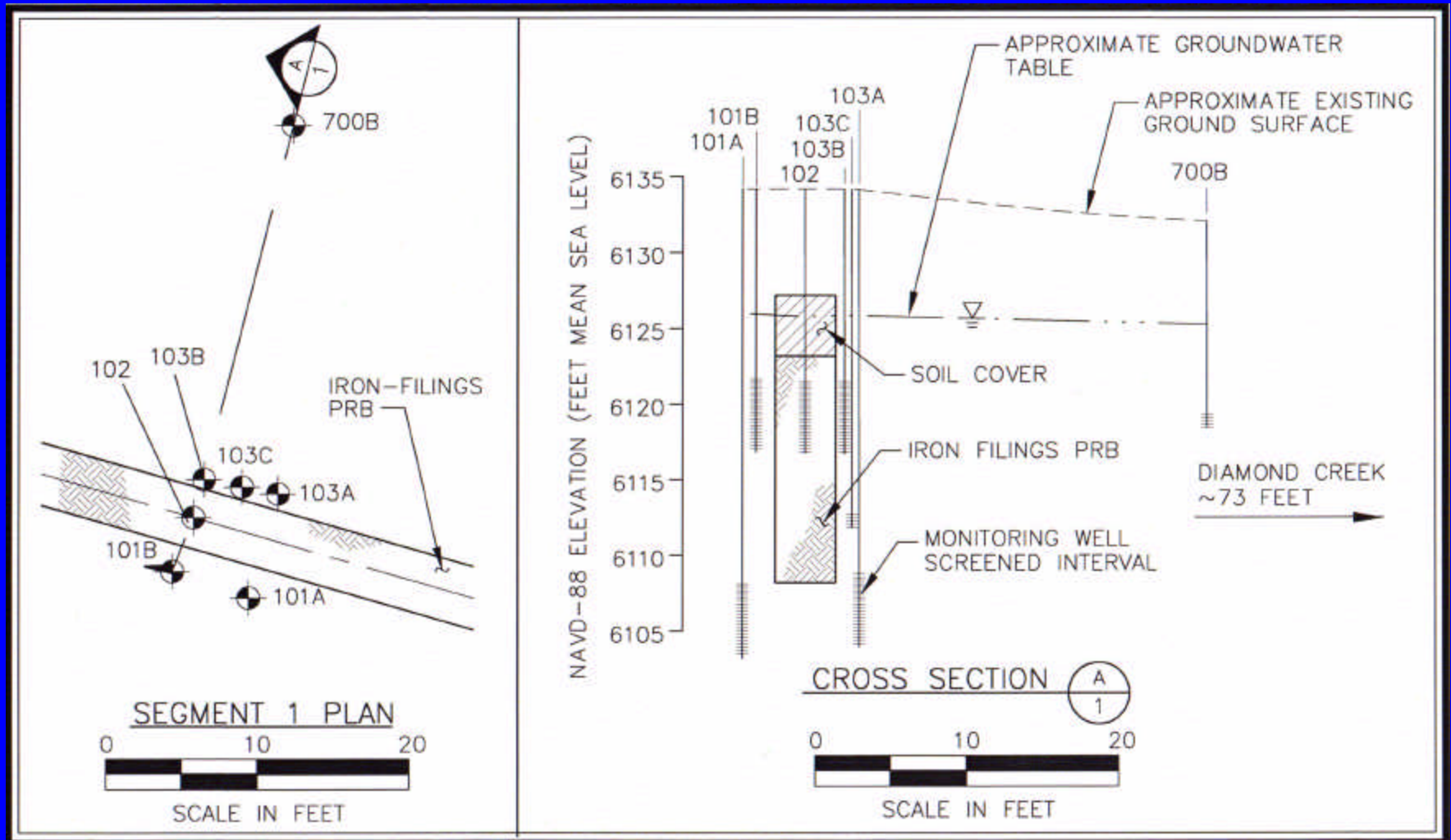
# GROUNDWATER MONITORING

- v Upgradient of PRB
  - Monitoring wells 1 to 3 feet upgradient
- v In-PRB
- v Downgradient of PRB
  - 1 to 3 feet downgradient
  - 30 to 50 feet downgradient
- v Vertically Stratified: water table, mid-PRB, and below base of PRB

# PMW Monitoring Network



# PRB SECTIONS





# SS7 PMW Cluster

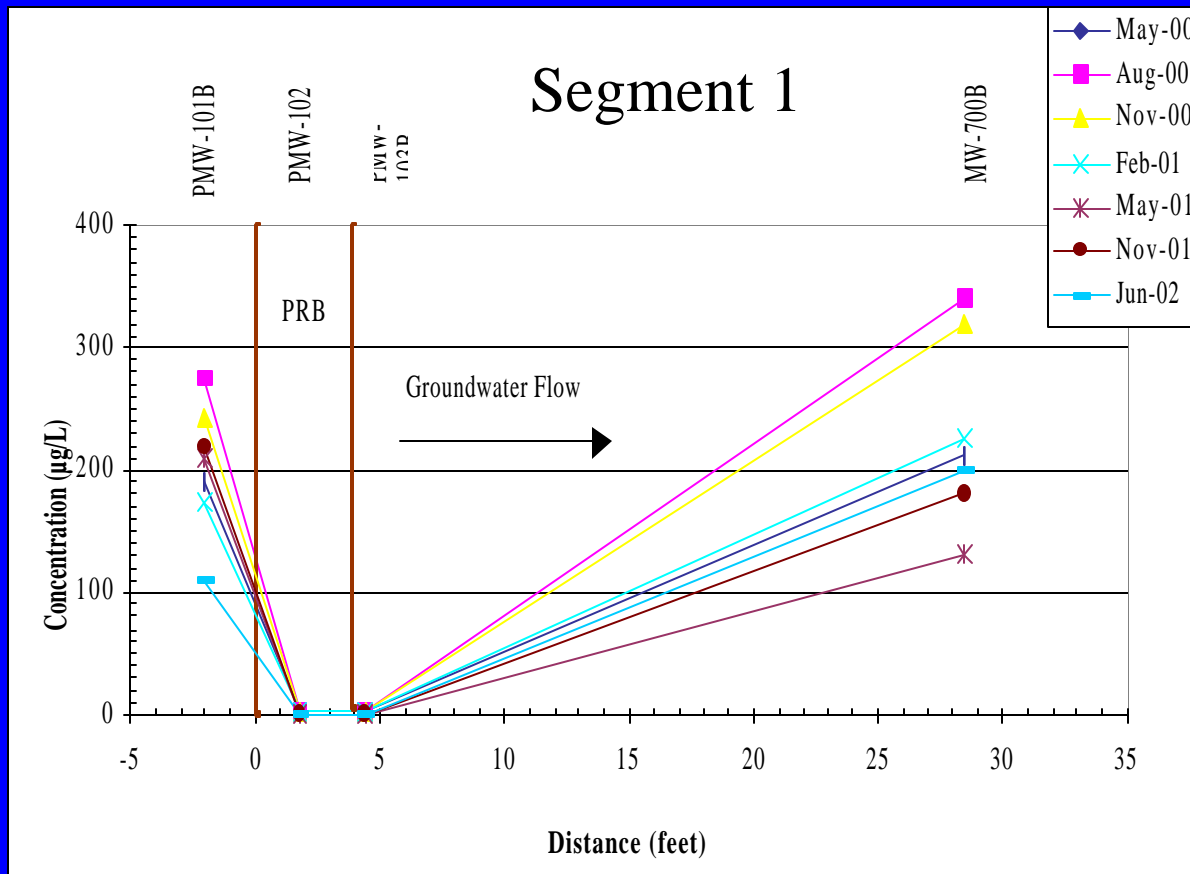


# COCS & TREATMENT GOALS

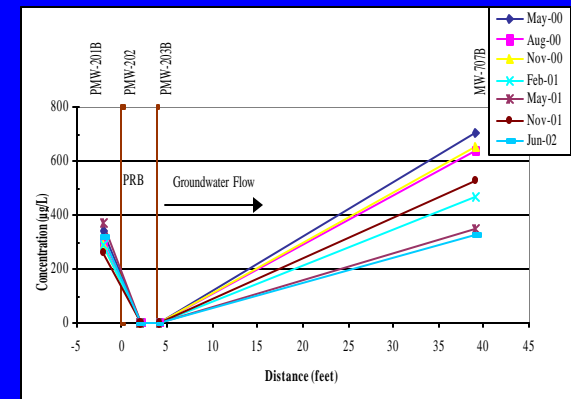
- v Trichloroethene (TCE) = 5  $\mu\text{g/L}$
- v *Cis*-1,2-Dichloroethene (DCE) = 70  $\mu\text{g/L}$
- v *Trans*-1,2-DCE = 100  $\mu\text{g/L}$
- v Total DCE = 300  $\mu\text{g/L}$
- v Vinyl Chloride = 2  $\mu\text{g/L}$



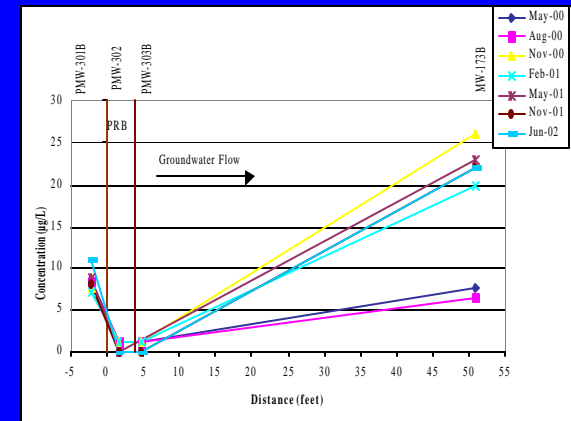
# Cis-1,2-DCE Transects



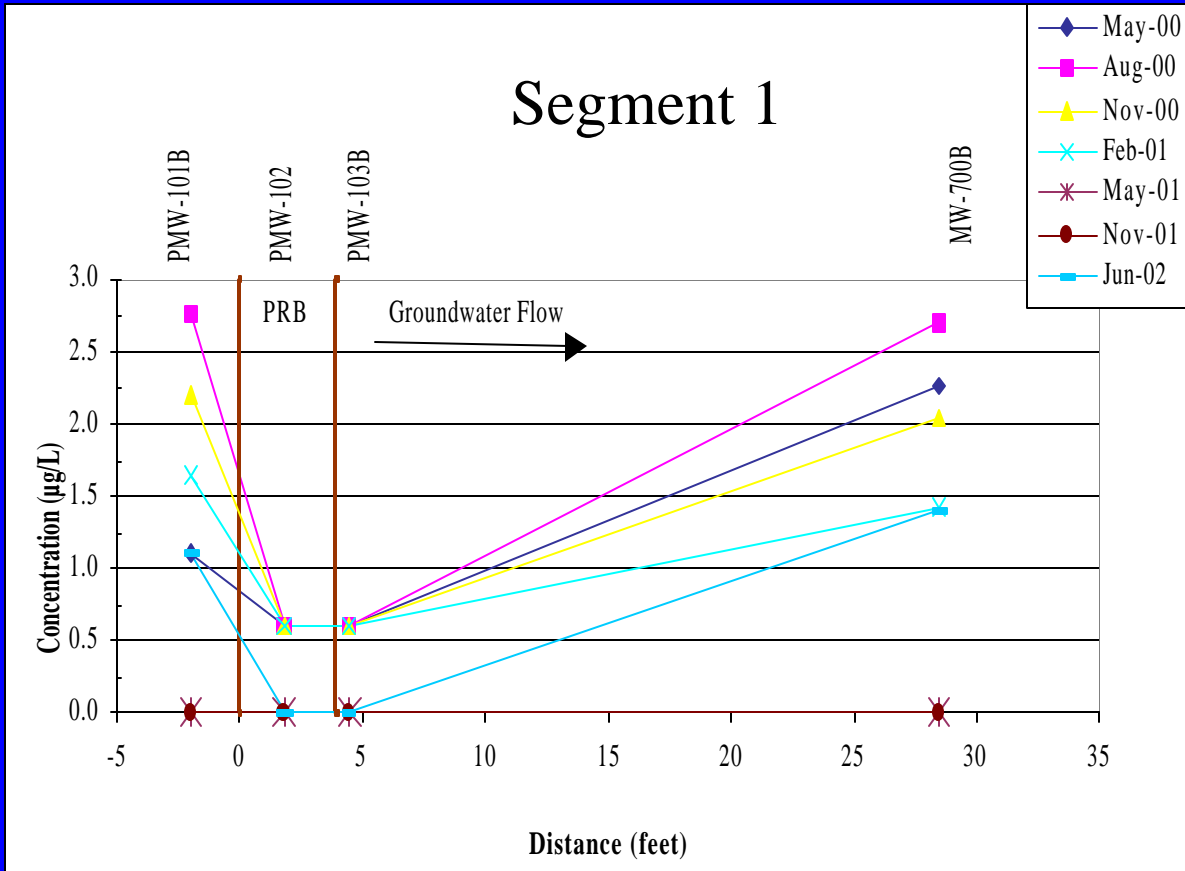
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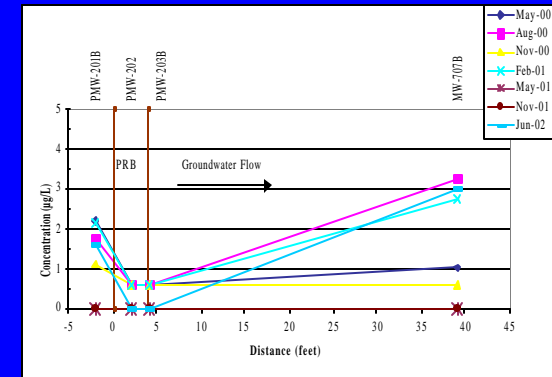
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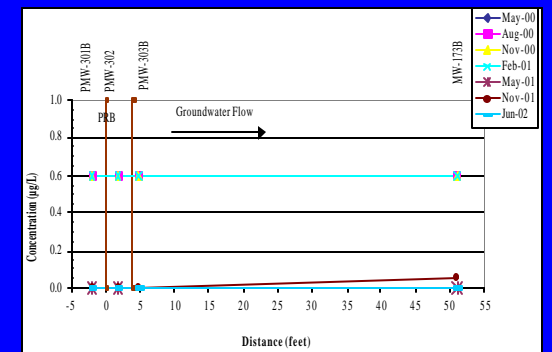
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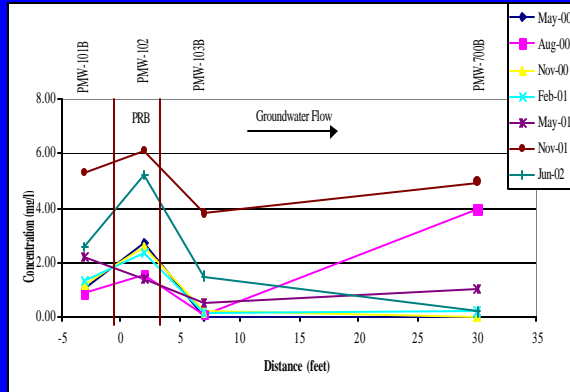
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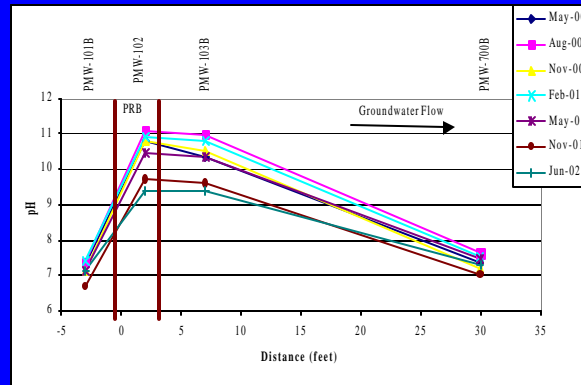


# TRENDS in PARAMETERS & METALS

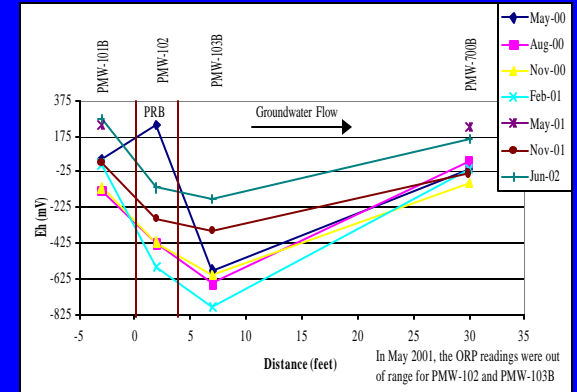
## Dissolved Oxygen



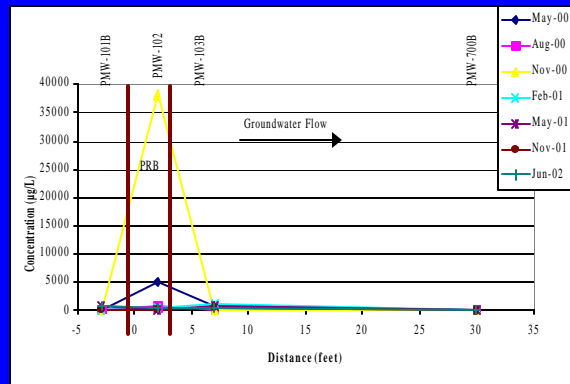
## pH



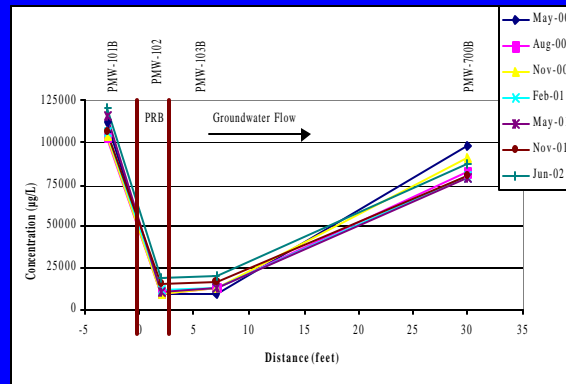
## ORP



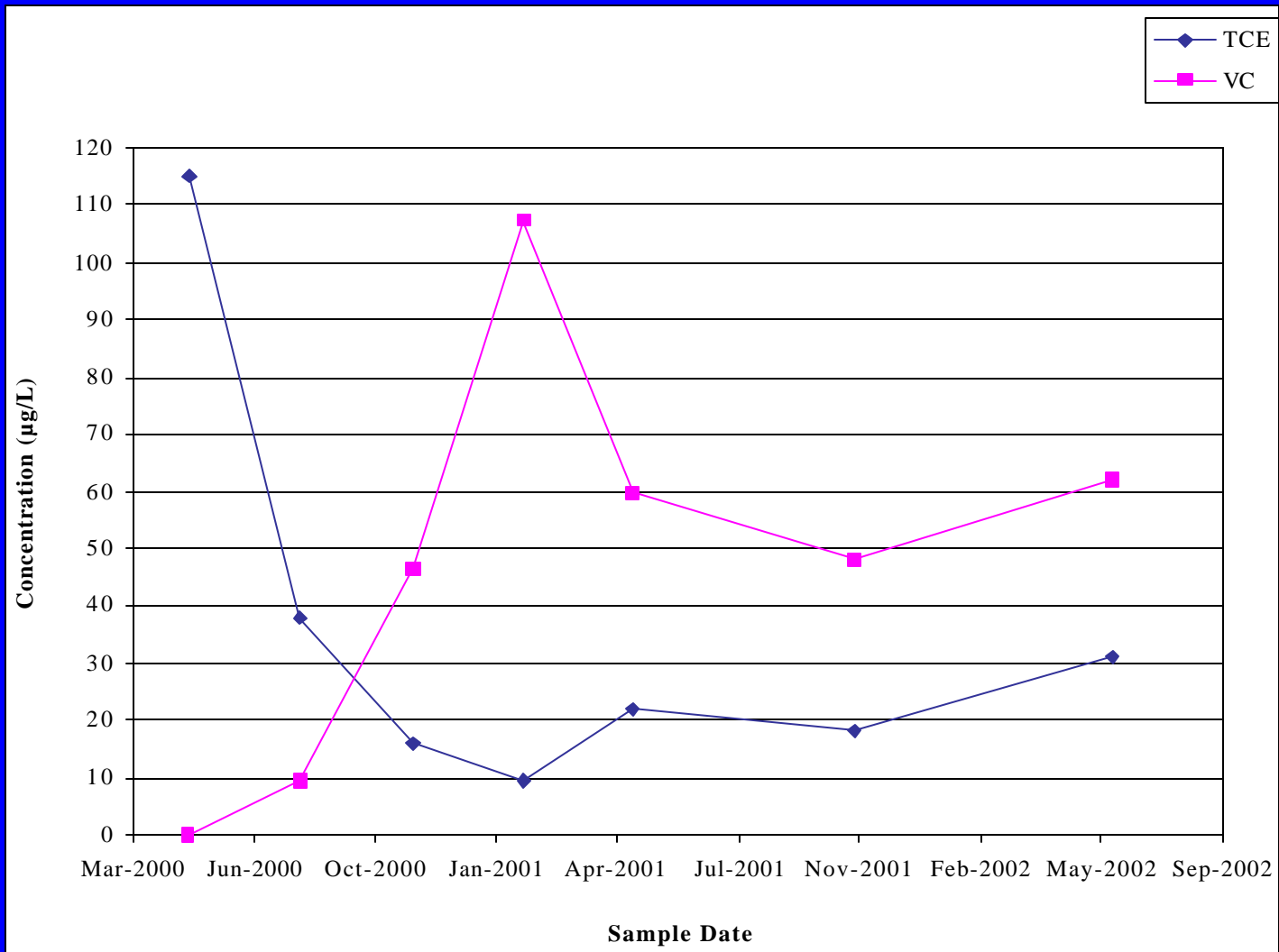
## Iron



## Calcium



# MW-186: TCE & VC



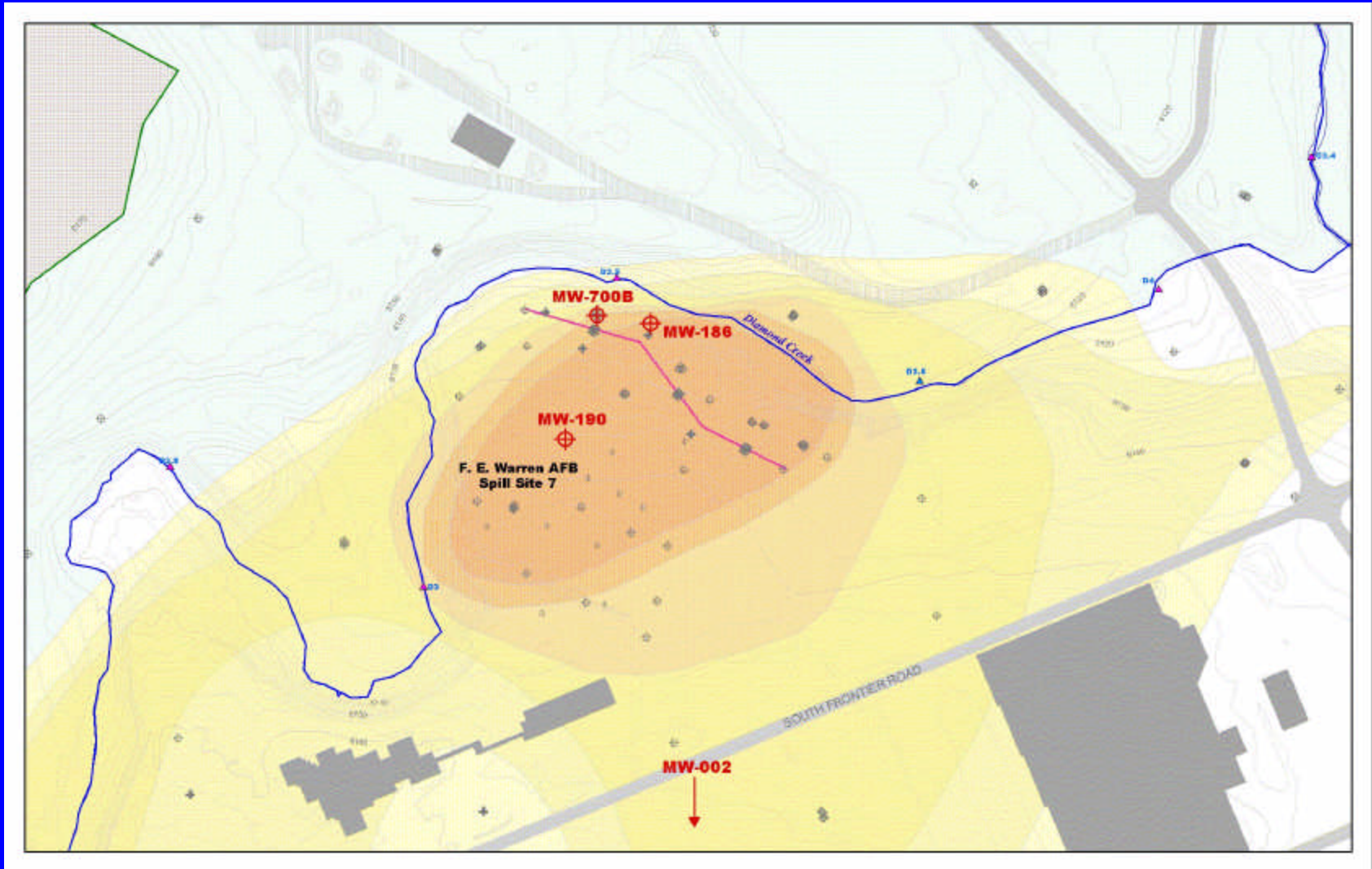
# Source of VC in MW-186?

- v Product of increased microbial activity
  - biodegradation
- v Incomplete degradation of TCE by PRB
  - residence time
  - PRB continuity at junction between segments
- v Desorption downgradient of PRB

# MICROBIAL ACTIVITY

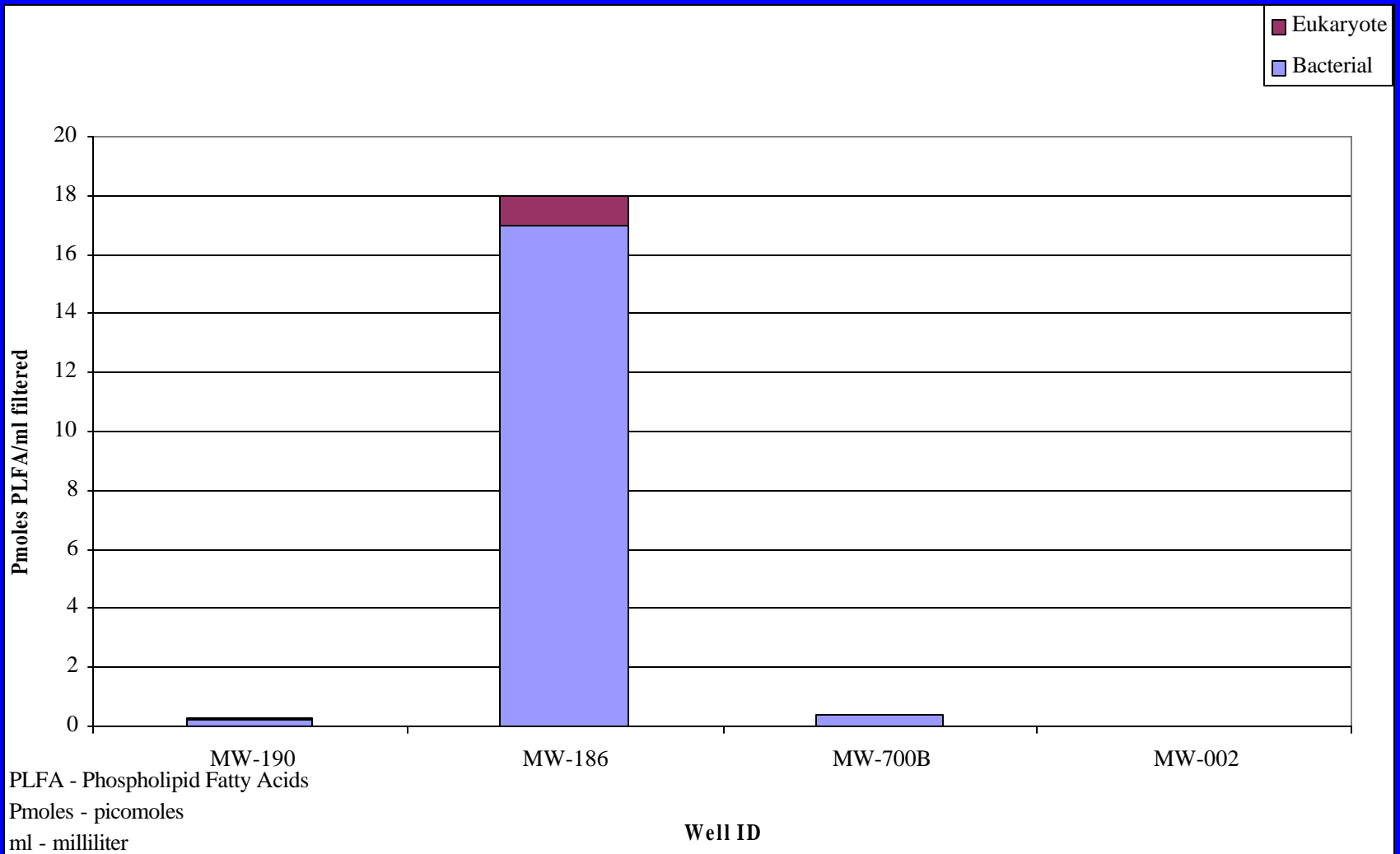
- ∨ Phospholipid Fatty Acid (PLFA) Analysis
  - lipids in microbial membrane
  - differ in composition depending on organism and environmental conditions
  - what types of microbes present and how they're reacting to environmental conditions
- ∨ Insight to Microbial Communities
  - viable biomass
  - community structure
  - metabolic activity

# WELLS for BIO-EVALUATION





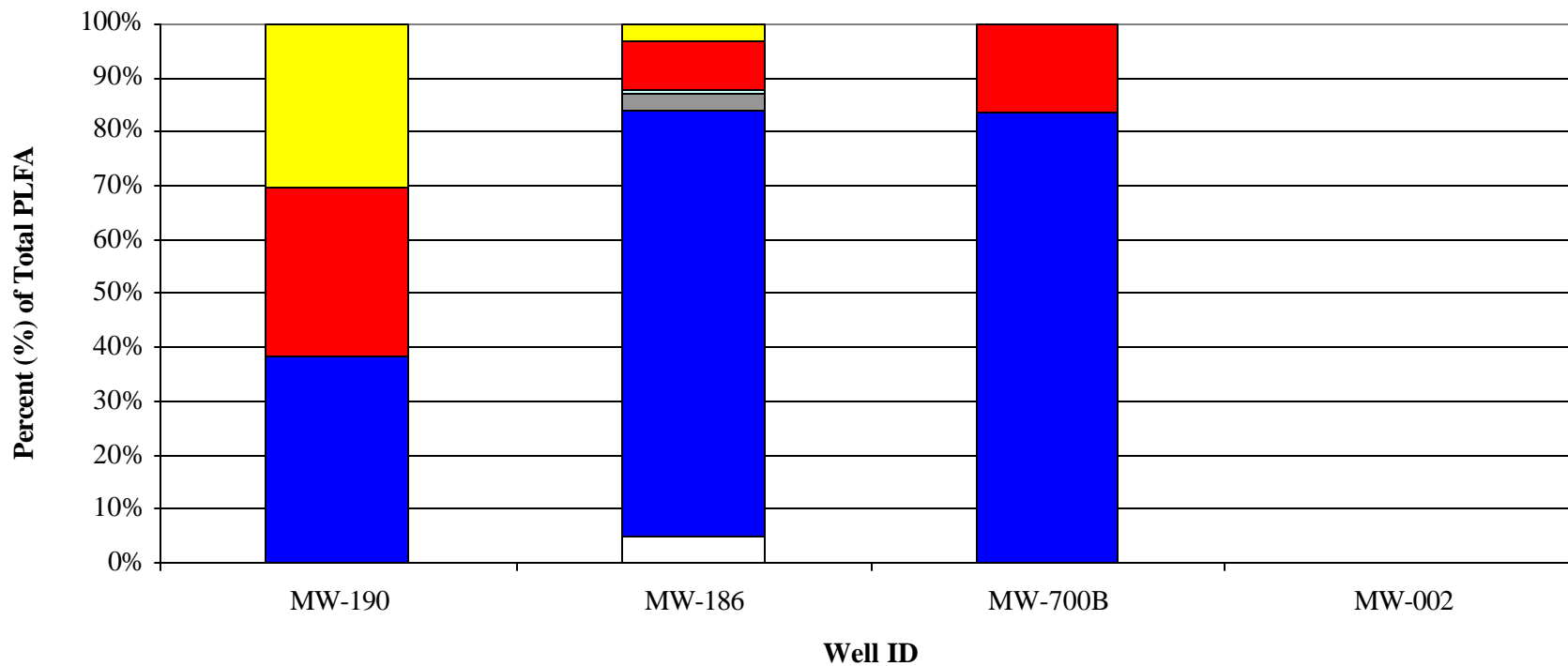
# BIOMASS in GROUNDWATER



# COMMUNITY STRUCTURE

- v PLFA patterns - quantitative profile of microbial populations
- v Gram ‘-’ bacteria: ability to utilize wide range of carbon sources and adapt quickly

# % 'S OF PLFA GROUPS



PLFA -  
Phospholipid  
Fatty Acids

□ Gram+/Anaerobic Gram- (TerBrSats)

■ Anaerobic Metal Reducers (BrMonos)

■ Genera (Nsats)

■ Gram- (Monos)

□ SRB/Actinomycetes (MidBrSats)

■ Eukaryotes (polyenoics)

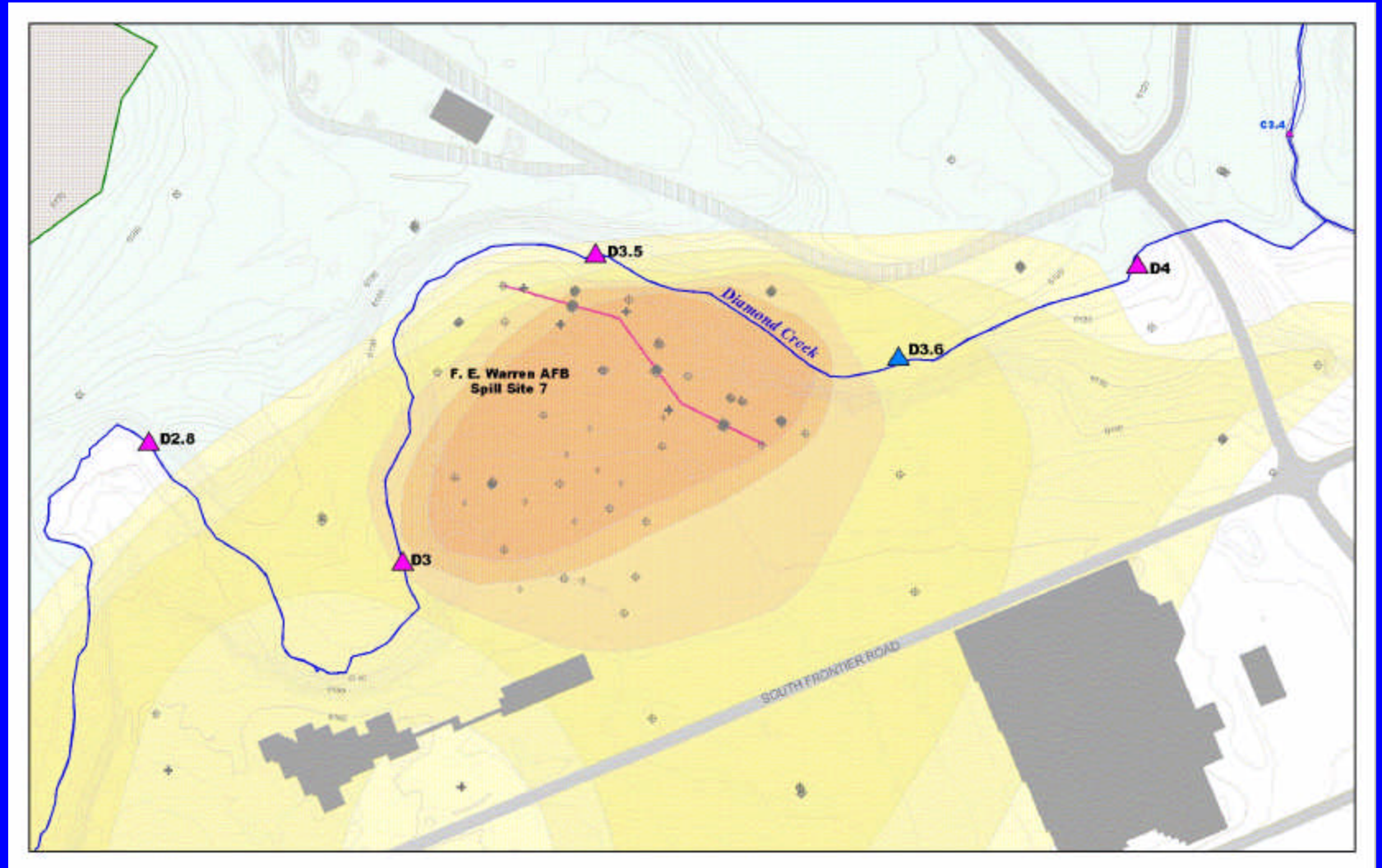
# CARBON ISOTOPES

- v Desorption or Residence Time?
- v Isotopic signatures
  - Ratio of C-12 and C-13 isotopes
  - PRB - reductive dehalogenation - products more depleted in C-13
- v Ratios in parents & product
- v Distinguish VC produced by degradation in PRB vs. other processes downgradient
- v University of Toronto sponsored

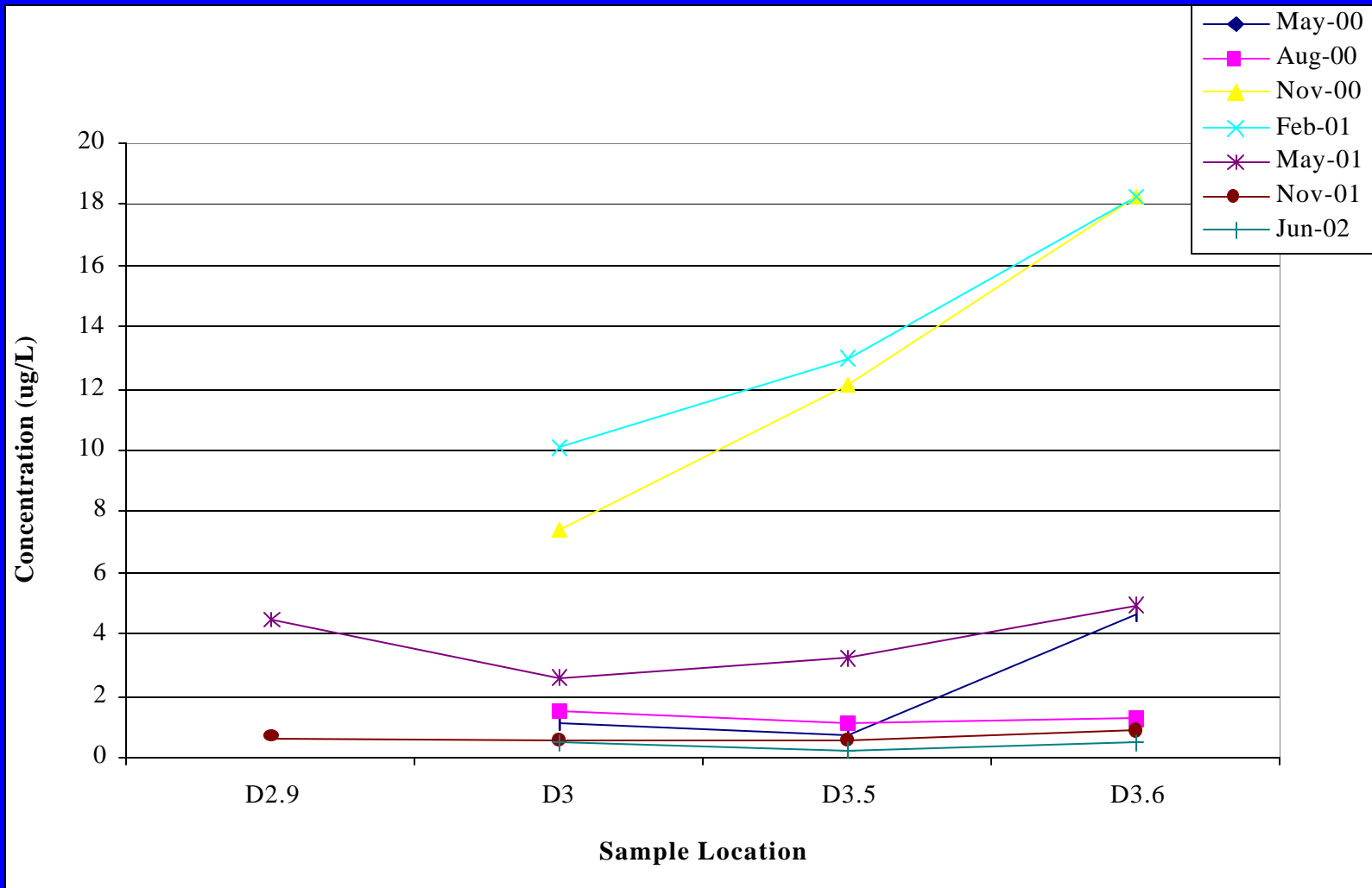
# CONTAMINANT LOADING TO DIAMOND CREEK

- v Surface water sampling/analysis for COCs and water quality parameters
  - Upstream (D3)
  - Plume contact (D3.5)
  - Downstream (D3.6)

# SURFACE WATER LOCATIONS

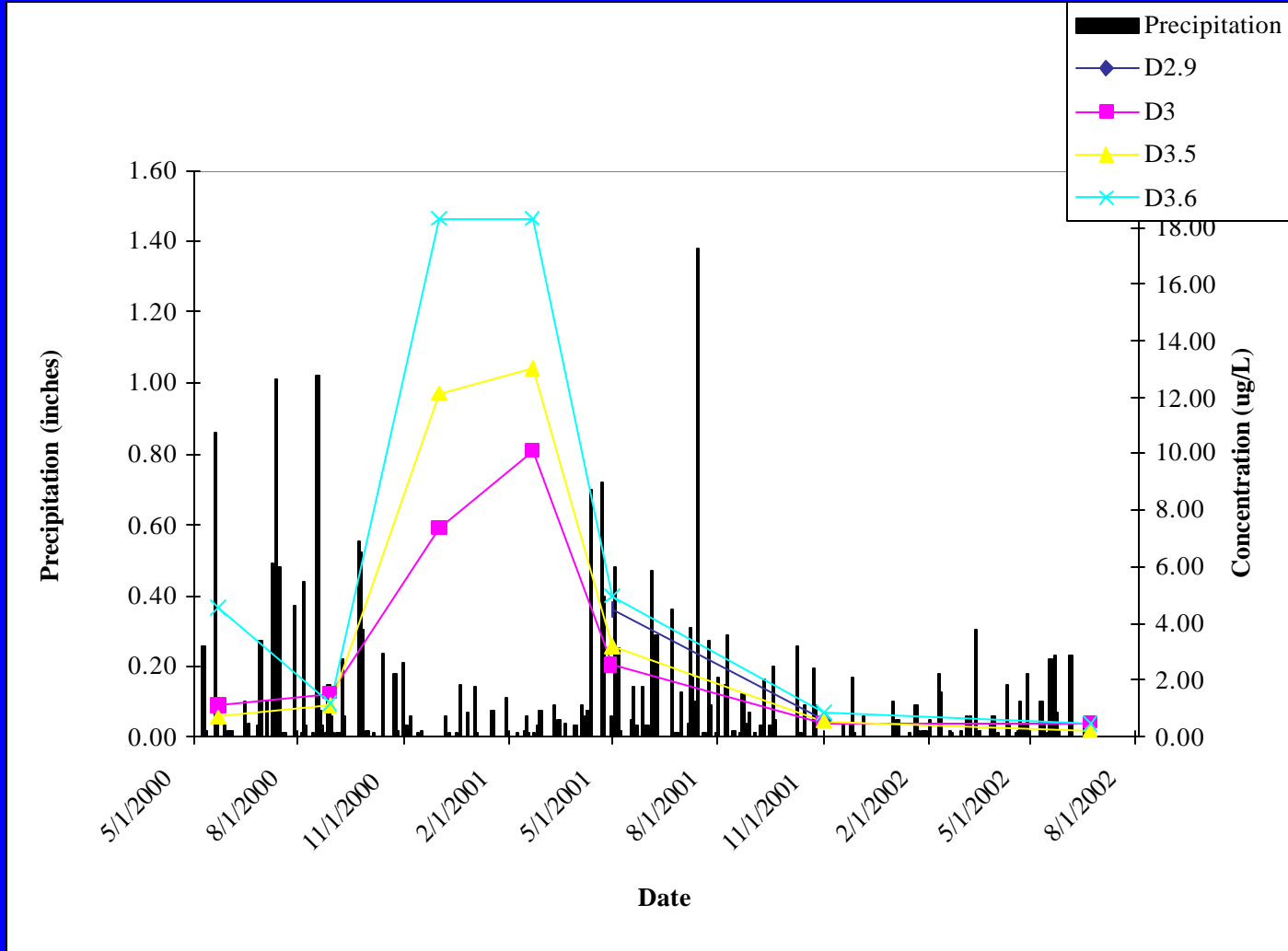


# TCE in DC by LOCATION

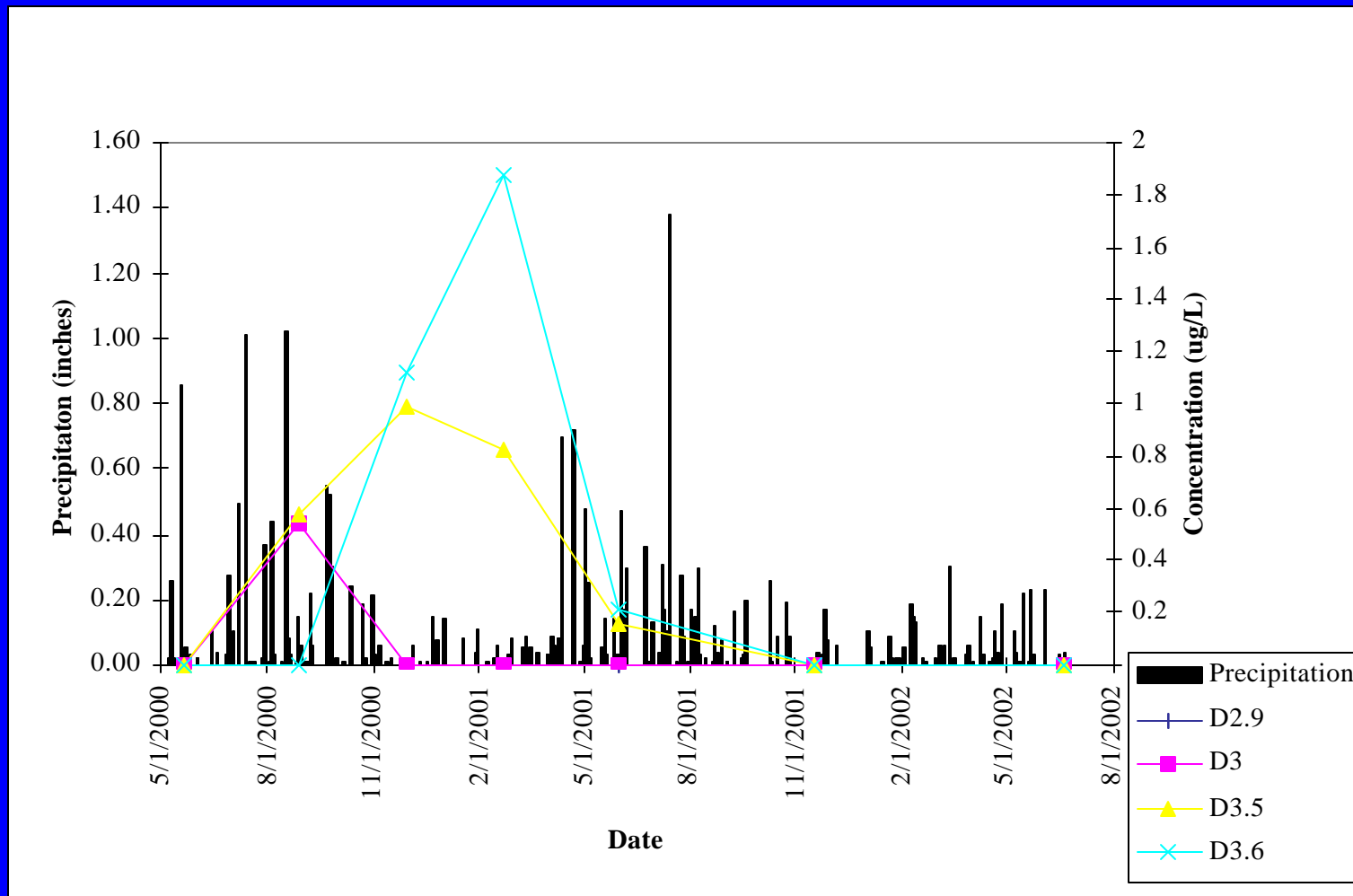




# TCE in DC Over Time vs. PPT



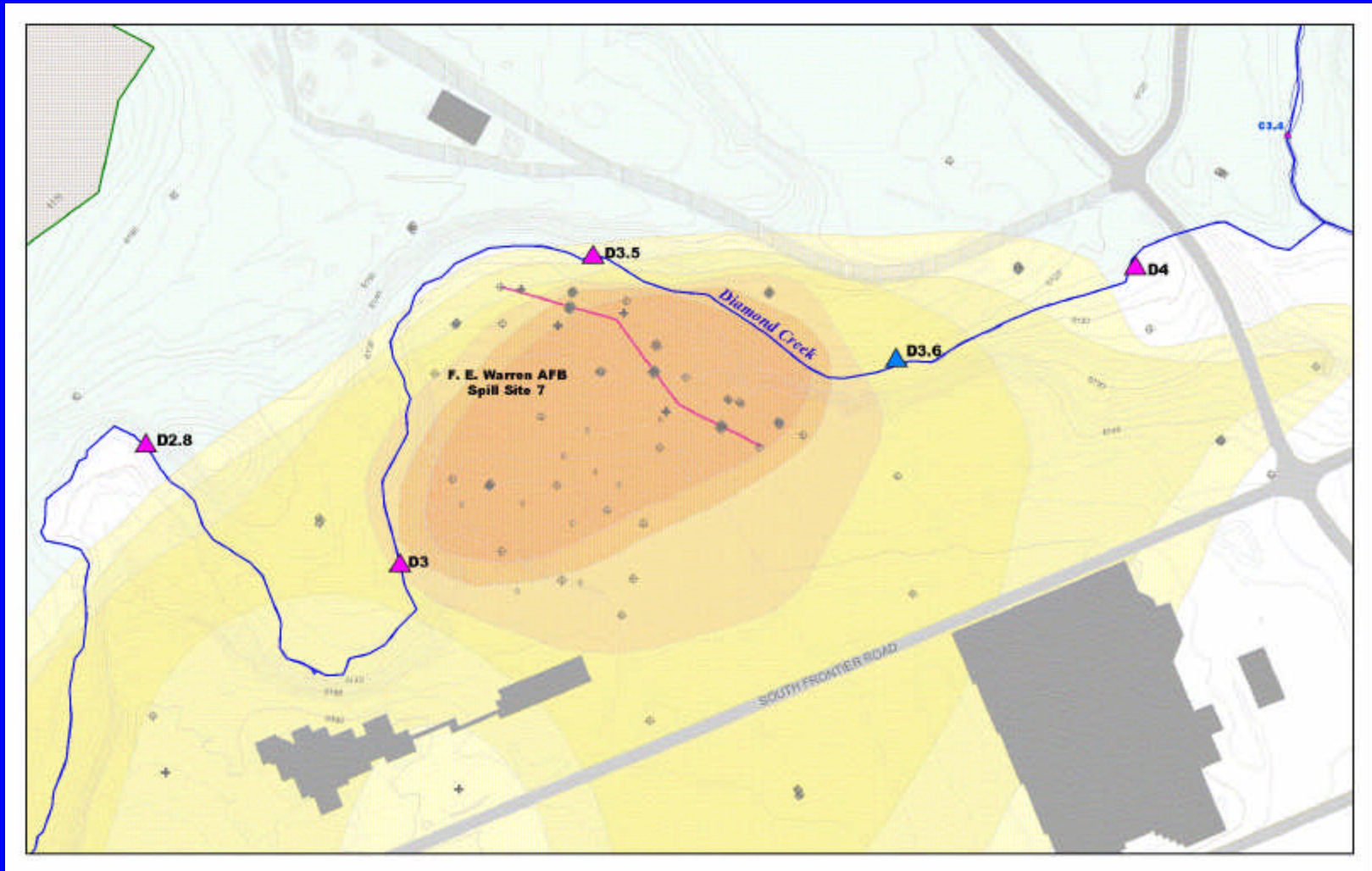
# VC in DC Over TIME vs. PPT



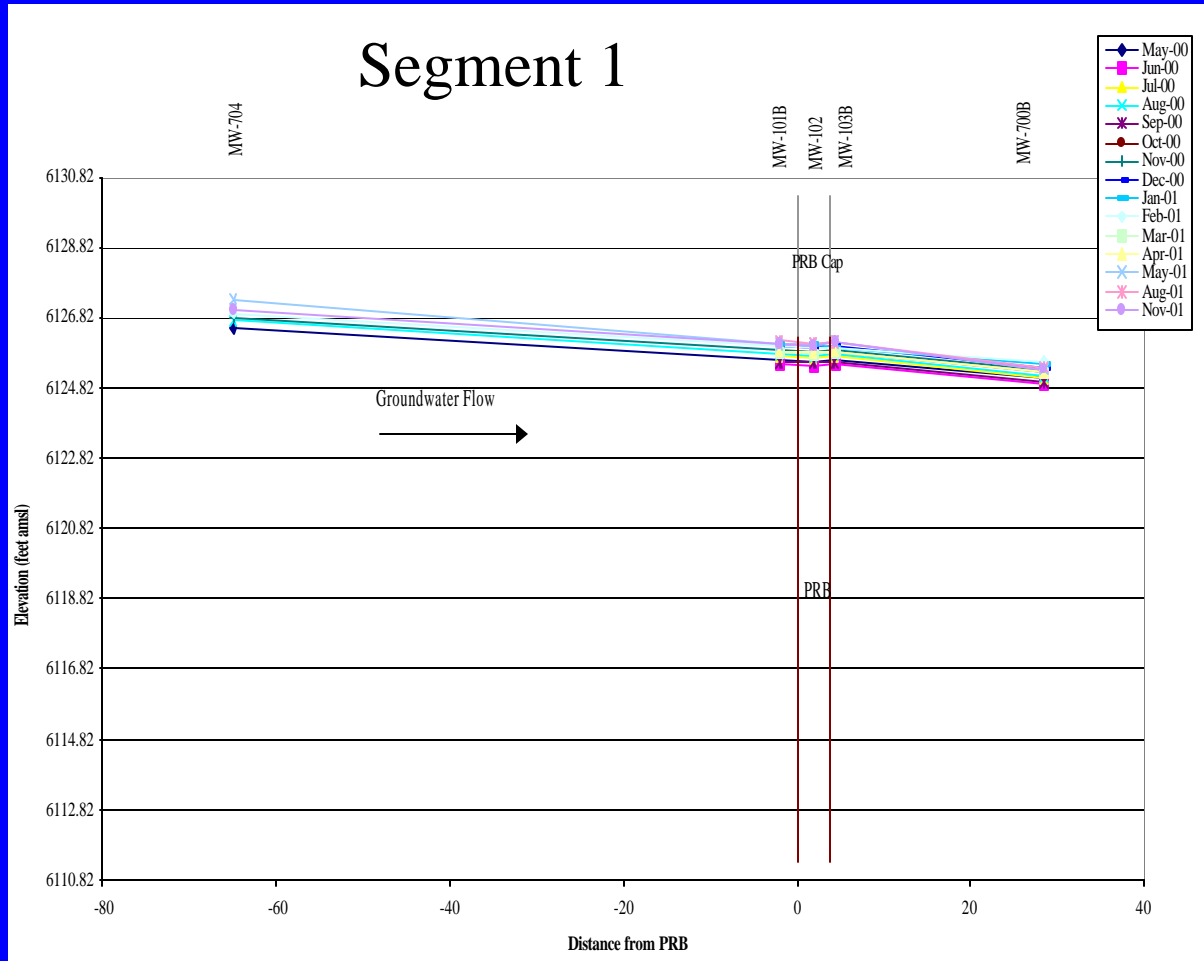
# EFFECTS ON GW FLOW PATHS

- v Water-level Measurements/Elevations
- v Hydraulic Relationships
  - PRB permeability  $\geq$  than native materials
  - Lateral bypass
  - Underflow and overflow
- v Gradients Appear Unaffected by PRB
  - Vertical and Horizontal

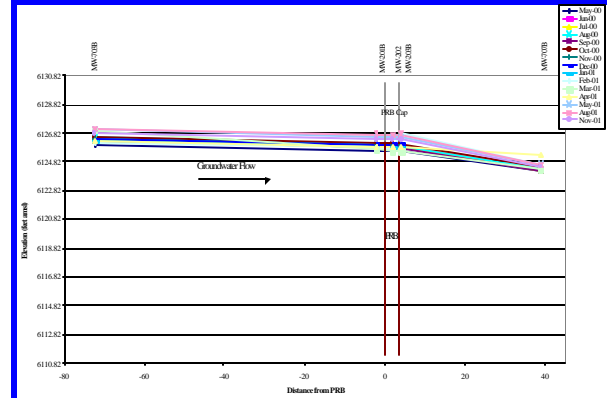
# SS7 POTENTIOMETRIC MAP



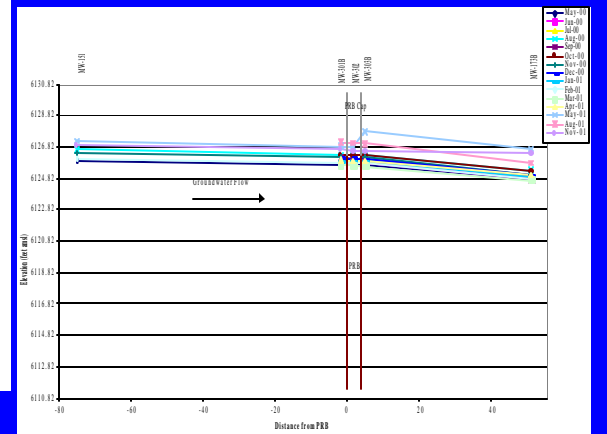
# GW Elevation vs. Distance



## Segment 2



## Segment 3



# BYPRODUCTS IMPACTING DIAMOND CREEK

- v Groundwater and surface water sampling of water quality parameters
  - pH, ORP (Eh), DO, Cond., Metals, Cl, N, SO<sub>4</sub>
- v Parameters re-stabilize in groundwater downgradient of PRB

# FUTURE

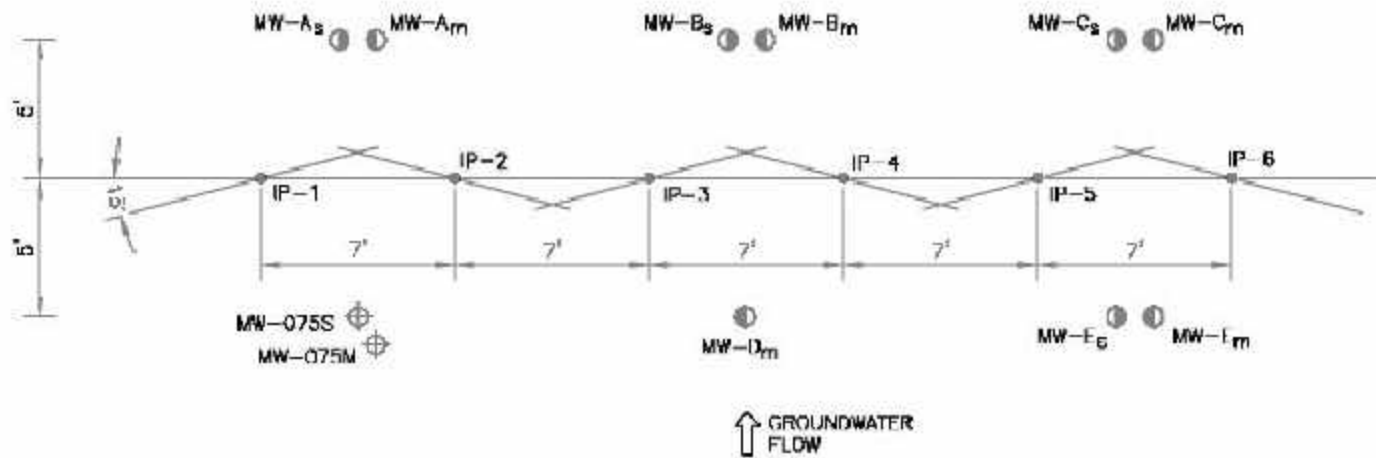
- v Continue performance downgradient
- v Decreasing trends downgradient (desorption)
- v Attention to lateral and deep wells
- v COC and byproduct concentrations in creek
- v Zone D Groundwater RI/FS
  - Plume dimensions and dynamics
  - Vertical extent defined
  - SS7 IRA incorporated into Final Remedy
  - Treatability Study (supplemental actions)








# INJECTED IRON PRB

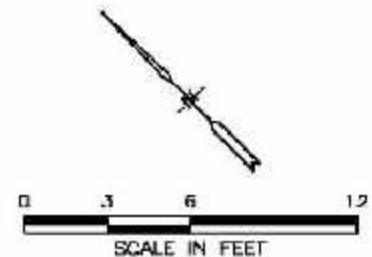
- v Drill to depths of 55 feet +
- v high pressure/jet grouting
  - cavity → quar → iron slurry
- v vertical panels ~ 3” wide
- v fence row alignment
- v monitoring network
- v install 5-6 September 2002

# ALIGNMENT & MONITORING



## LEGEND

- MW-075M  EXISTING MONITORING WELL
- MW-A  NEW MONITORING WELL  
(SCREEN: 15-25' DEEP)
- MW-B  NEW MONITORING WELL  
(SCREEN: 40-50' DEEP)
- IP-1  IRON INJECTION POINT
-  INJECTED VERTICAL IRON PANEL



# SUMMARY OF RESULTS

- v COCs below detection limits in wells within and immediately downgradient of PRB
- v Concentrations 30 to 50 feet downgradient of PRB show decreasing trends
- v VC in MW-186; origin being investigated
- v Water quality parameters/inorganics as expected
- v No byproducts impacting Diamond Creek

# SUMMARY OF RESULTS

## (Continued)

- v No effects on groundwater flow paths
- v TCE/VC in surface water decreasing
- v Treatability Study evaluating injected iron
  - extend PRB depth and width
  - applications in Zone D