High Resolution Site Characterization

An Adaptive, Real-Time Approach to Comprehensive Site Assessment







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 HRSC Tool Kit – picking the right tools for the job (many more than these!)





Traditional Site Characterization

Linear Process

- Iterative work plans
- Soil and groundwater sampling
- Geologic and hydrogeologic testing
- Analysis of data
- Reporting





Traditional Site Characterization

Methods

- Soil Boring Investigation
- Monitoring Well Network
- Vapor Survey



Responsive to <u>all four</u> phases of contamination

Poor contaminant phase differentiation and delineation



Traditional Soil Borings & Sampling

- Unreliable sample recovery
- Relatively low daily production rates
- Generates IDW
- Ex-situ sample handling and analysis



- Subjective interpretation of lithology
- Contamination sampling commonly limited to vadose zone



Monitoring Wells & NAPL

In-well NAPL thickness measurements can lead to *significant* overestimation or underestimation of true NAPL saturation



MW





Improving CSMs with Relative Mass Flux Data



Slow Advection Zone (<10-20% of mass flux)

Transport Zone (~80-90% of mass flux)

Storage (<1% of mass flux)



HRSC Down-Hole Tools

Membrane Interface Probe MIP



- Vapor, Dissolved and Sorbed phase VOCs
- DNAPLs
- CVOCs (PCE, TCE, etc.)
- BTEX
- Methane



Laser Induced Fluorescence LIF

Residual

Gasoline

• Fuel Oil

Petroleum

Tars/Creosotes

Hydraulic Profiling Tool HPT



Formation • **Hydraulics**

- Soil Lithology
- K Values
- Water Table Elevations



Laser-Induced Fluorescence – LIF

Developed by Dakota Technologies, Fargo, ND



- Real-time data production, typically 300 to 500 feet per day using DPT
- UVOST and TarGOST employ lasers for excitation of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) present in NAPL
- DyeLIF combines LIF technology with the injection of fluorescent dye. Dye injection backpressure provides information on soil permeability



New Combination LIF Tools

Developed by Dakota Technologies, Fargo, ND

UVOST-HP & TarGOST-HP

Hydraulic profiling component now available with all LIF technologies

Dual LIF

Combines UVOST and TarGOST technologies in single tool

- Optimize LIF and hydrostratigraphic data correlation
- Reduce time in field required for comprehensive assessment
- Dual LIF provides simultaneous LNAPL and DNAPL data collection for commingled sites



LIF Technology Description



Shock-resistant and water-tight SPOC is advanced with direct-push equipment.



UVOST and computer provide real-time data logging during assessment.



LIF Technology Description – UVOST & TarGOST

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Representative UVOST-HP Log



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Another look at our in-well NAPL thickness compared to LIF logging true NAPL thickness





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Direct Image® Technologies

Developed by Geoprobe Systems®, Salina, KS



- Real-time data production, typically 125 to 150 feet per day
- MIP not the most effective tool for NAPL screening



Membrane Interface Probe (MIP)



- Field screening/mapping tool
- DPT deployment
- Vapor, dissolved and sorbed phase VOCs



MIP Log

- CVOCs (PCE, TCE, etc.)
- BTEX
- Methane
- Semi quantitative
- Requires additional lines of evidence to interpret properly





Hydraulic Profiling Tool (HPT)

- In-situ lithologic and hydraulic properties
- Electrical conductivity measurements indicate soil types (sand, silts, clays)
- Relative subsurface hydraulic permeability
- Water table elevations
- Estimates K values





Membrane Interface Probe / HPT (MiHpt)



- Combines MIP and HPT data in single push
- Prevents correlation 'inconsistencies' from adjacent borings



Mapping LNAPL in 3D





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Thank you!

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