

**U.S. Army Garrison Fort Monmouth  
Restoration Advisory Board (RAB)  
October 4, 2012 ~ 7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**1. Old Business**

- Comments on July 12, 2012 minutes:
  - Mr. Dlugosz would like the name (who signed it) and date of TAPP grant rejection letter. He spoke with NJDEP inspector Brian Pettite regarding potential landfill/dump site adjacent to Wampum Lake - said that inspector said it was only superficial building debris (no excavations done to confirm).

**2. New Business Discussion, Board Questions and Answers**

- Ms. Green distributed an update of all IRP sites and the current status.
- Mr. Dan Duh of Shaw Environmental gave a presentation regarding the final changes to the Baseline Ecological Evaluation (BEE).
- Mr. Dlugosz asked are their COCs/COPECs for human health? Mr. Duh responded - yes but the BEE focuses on contaminants migrating/affecting ecological receptors such as animal/plant life.
- Mr. Gruskos asked Duh what does BCF stand for? Mr. Duh replied, BCF = Bio-Concentration Factor and explained its definition.
- Mr. Charnick asked if underground sewer system is part of the Restoration Advisory Board's responsibility. Wanda G. responded no and provided further explanation.
- Mr. Chanick asked what is the status of the CEAs for M-2 and 1122. Ms. Green responded that CEAs have been generated for sites where applicable and submitted to the NJDEP for review and approval. An updated CEA for M-2 will be submitted.
- Mr. Dlugosz asked why didn't reports/CEAs include extent/delineation of groundwater plume. Ms. Green asked what report is he referring to. She offered for Mr. Dlugosz to schedule a date and time to sit down and review/go over report questions such as CEAs, etc. Ms. Range of NJDEP also responded to Ed's questions by providing him with definition of CEA and stated that CEAs are calculated only when groundwater delineation has been completed.
- Mr. Barricelli asked Mr. Dlugosz if would provide the RAB with copy of NJDEP letter discussing potential landfill/dump site adjacent to Wampum Lake. Ms. Range informed to Mr. Barricelli that he could submit an OPRA request, but also said that she would look into it and/or speak with Brian Pettite.

**Public Comments/Questions:**

- Ms. Sara Beslow did not have specific questions but gave her opinion on various topics.

- Mr. Tom Mahedy asked about "unlined dumps" (i.e. landfills) and how effects of climate change (e.g. rising water levels) would affect them. He mentioned that Picatinny Arsenal needs cleanup. He demanded transparency from the Army and FMERA. He asked how/why electronic files (e.g. GIS) were destroyed and demanded an investigation into this.
- Ms Green responded that investigations into the lost files have taken place but that no data has been lost as the Army has pdf files of the electronic files that were lost in GIS format and that new Army Corps contractor, Parsons will be generating new GIS compatible files from pdfs.
- Mr. Mahedy said that "human health factor" should be looked into as there are people fishing/crabbing from bridges surrounding Fort Monmouth.
- Mr. Mahedy asked what happened to the audio tape of the last RAB meeting that was lost. Wanda G. responded that the tape was inadvertently lost and that there will be new recording devices for the next RAB meeting scheduled for January 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Below are Mr. Charnick's informal notes that may be added to the minutes:

**ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION:**

I asked for quarterly update on CARETAKER REPORT/Activities of interest to RAB. You said that the "CARETAKER REPORT" would not be presented to RAB and was not part of RAB charter "restoration" activities from BRAC date forward. You said that "caretaker activities are MAINTENANCE and not RESTORATION".

We asked "where the minutes are stored, since we couldn't go back and research them easily.

You said that the "underground sewers" were also not part of RAB "restoration" activities.

DEP representative said that the cracked sanitary sewer pipes on Army property do not contribute to pollution on Army property and that continued "sampling" does not show any new pollution.

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*Baseline Ecological Evaluations*

*Results Update*

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# Overview

- **Summary of Previous BEE Findings**
- **Evaluation of Wildlife Risks**
- **Revised BEE Report Findings and Recommendations**
- **NJDEP Review**



# Summary of BEE Results

- **Soil and Groundwater**
  - No or infrequent direct ecological exposure
  - Many organic COPECs in soil and groundwater not identified as COPECs in surface and sediment
    - Indicating limited migration to sensitive ecological receptors

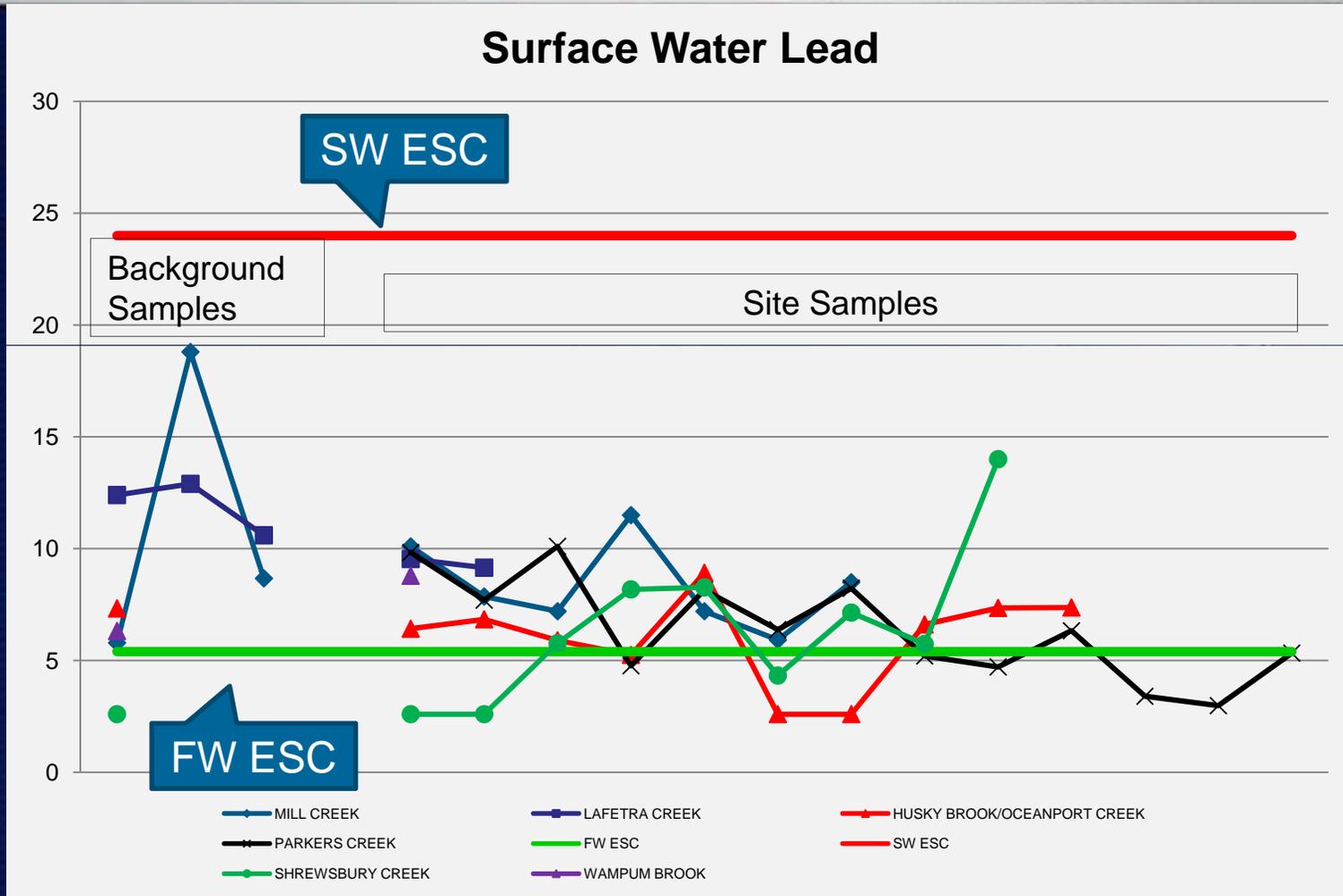


# Summary of BEE Results

- **Surface Water**
  - Organic COPECs (PAHs and PCBs) infrequently detected and similar to background and/or at locations indicative of other sources
  - Metal COPECs infrequently detected above ESCs and/or similar to background



# Lead in Surface Water



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# Summary of BEE Results

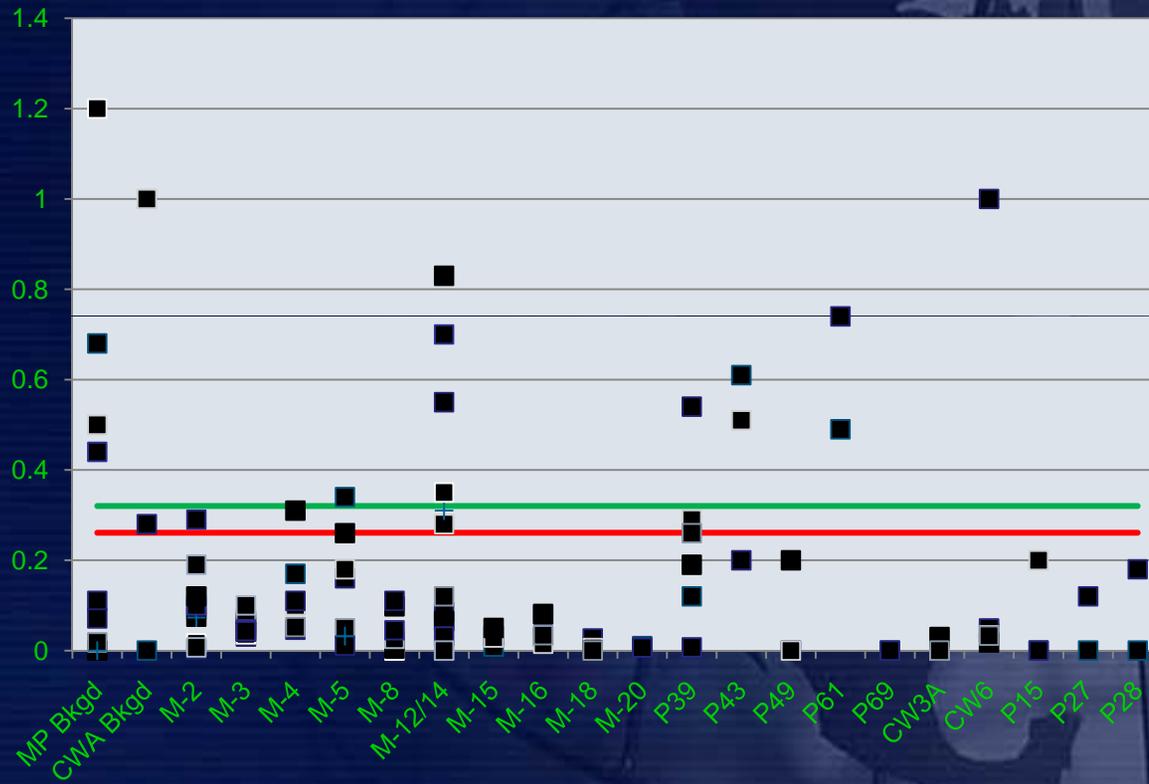
- **Sediment**

- Organic COPECs

- PAHs ubiquitous, similar to background, and highest concentrations not indicative of Landfill sources
    - Pesticides and PCBs infrequently detected, relatively low concentrations
    - Metal COPECs detected above ESCs at some sites that may pose risks in limited areas; may be related to native geology or other anthropogenic sources

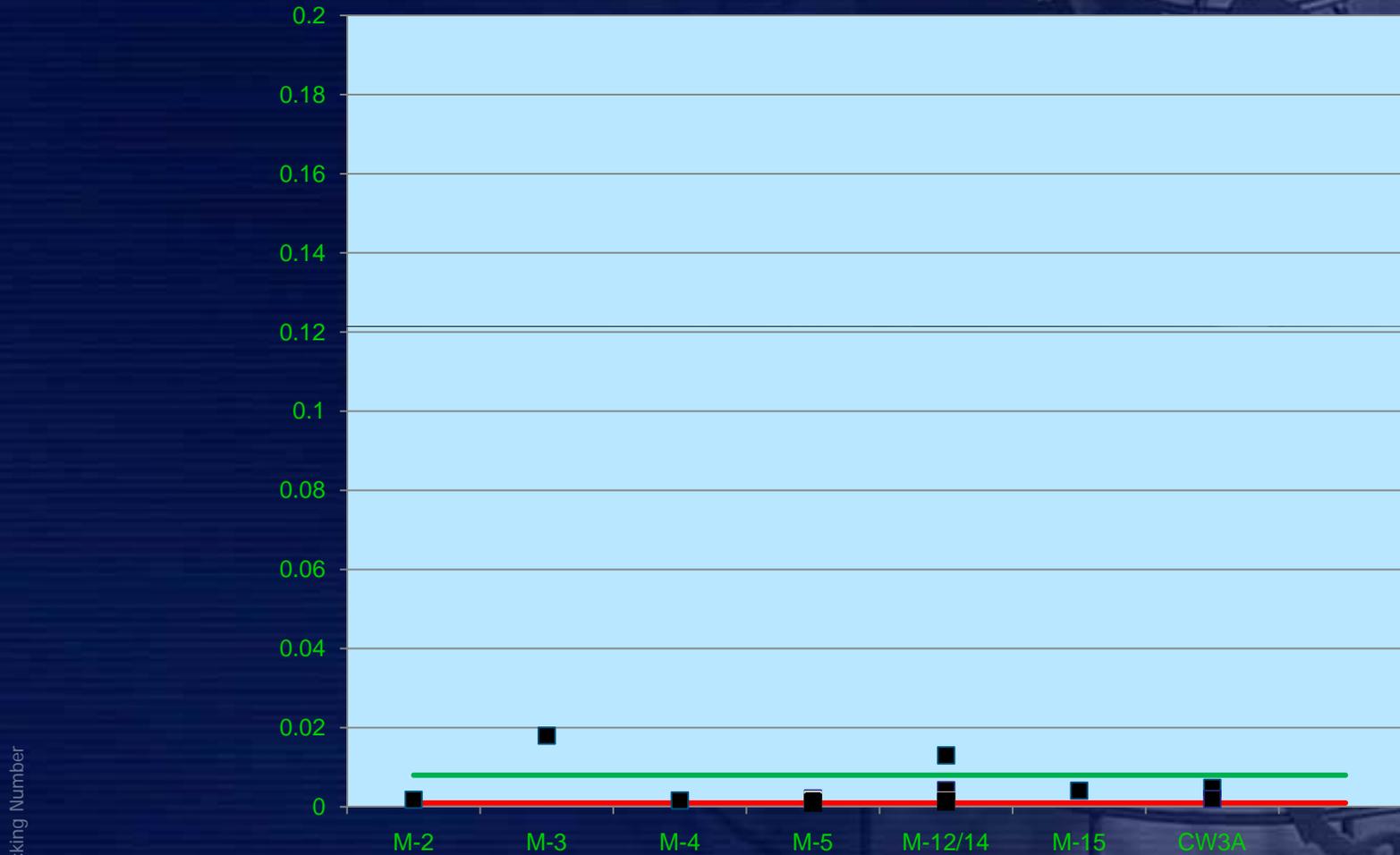


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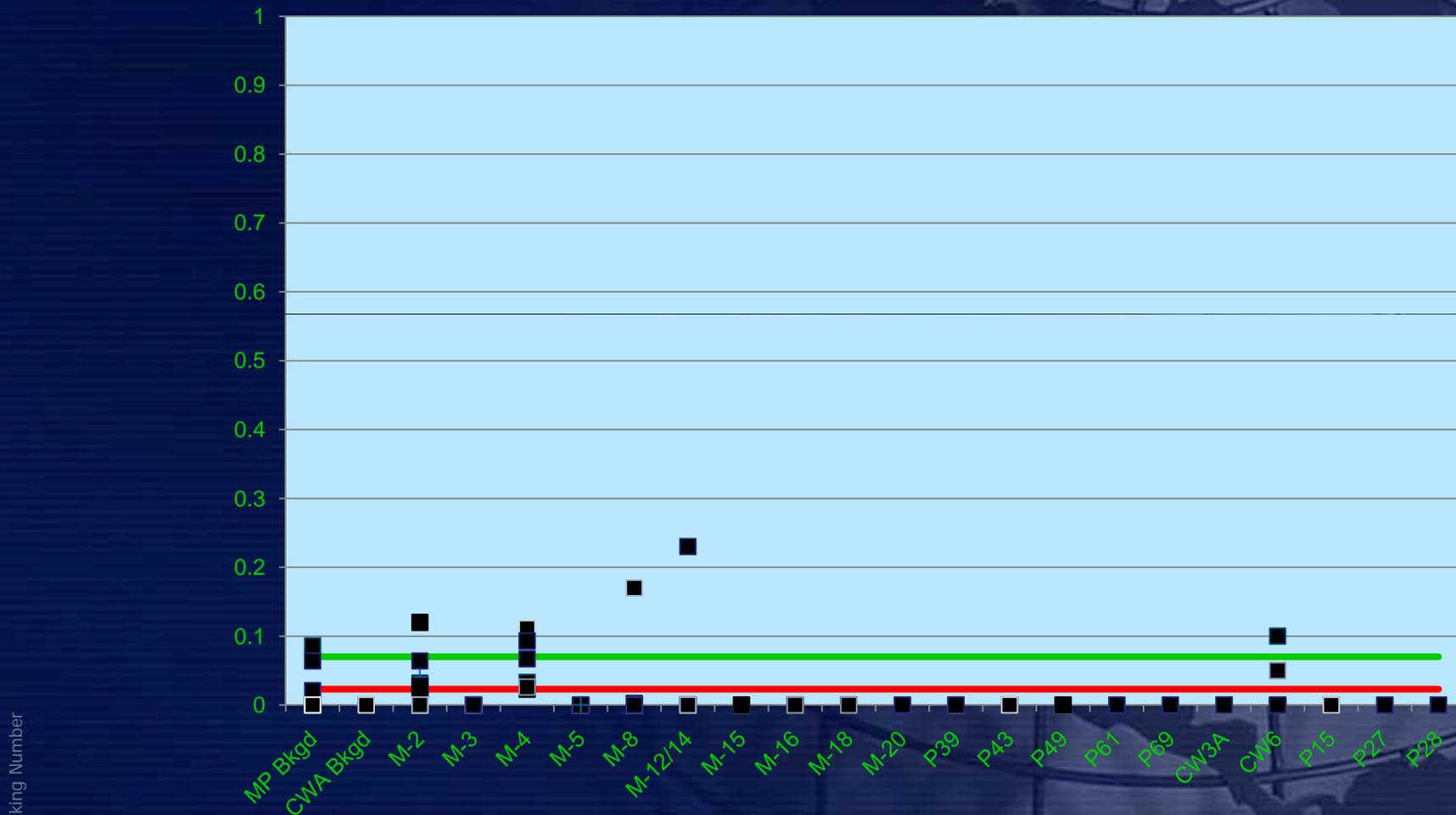


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# DDT in Sediment



# PCBs in Sediment

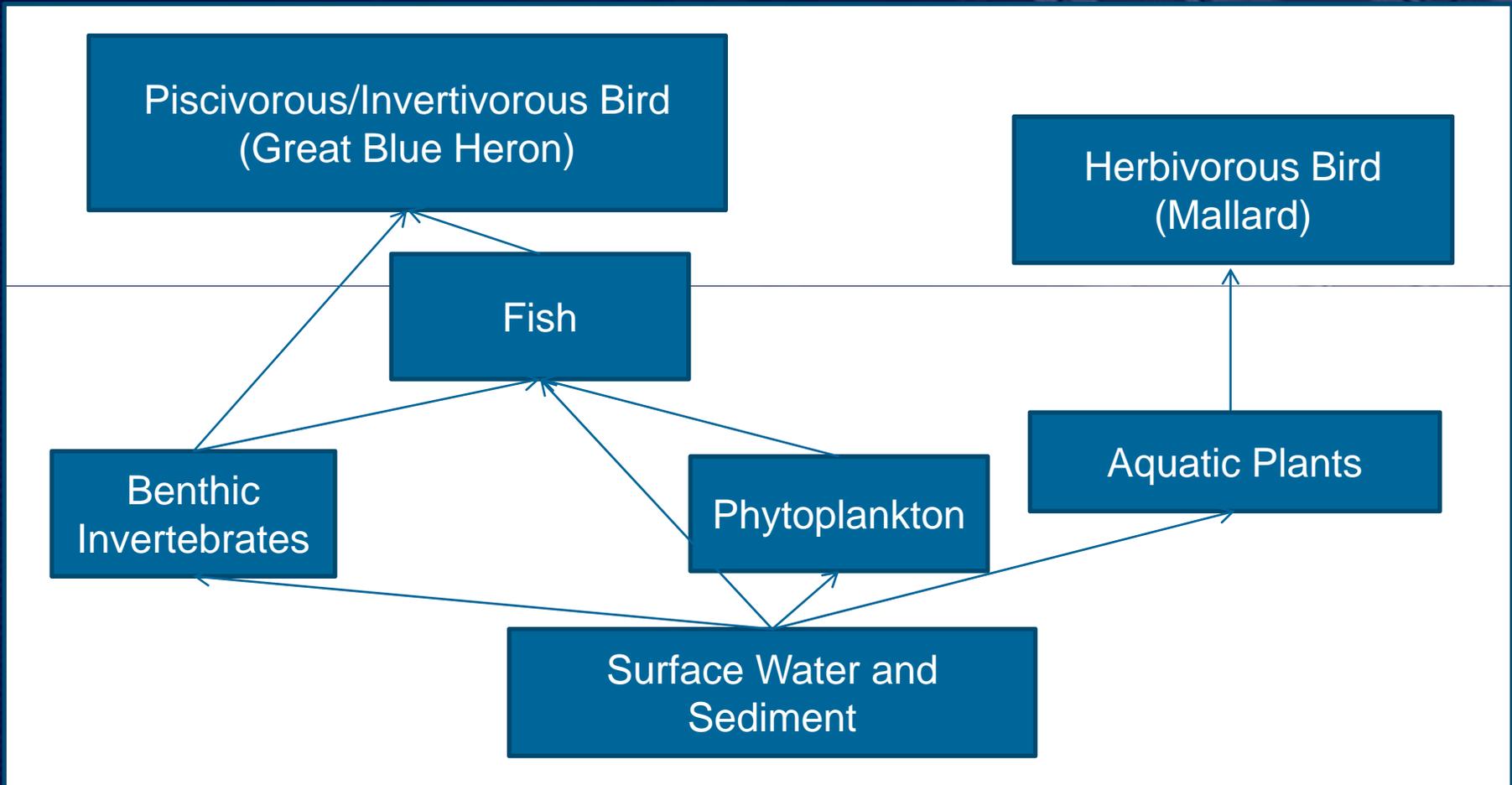


# Summary of BEE Results

- **NJDEP Review**
  - Evaluate Wildlife Risks through Food Chain Modeling where sediment COPECs exceed ESCs



# Food Chain Modeling



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# Food Chain Modeling

- **Contaminants in Sediment**
- **Uptake by aquatic plants**
- **Uptake by benthic organisms and fish**
- **Dietary exposures to Mallard (herbivore) and Great Blue Heron (Piscivore/Invertivore)**



# Food Chain Modeling

$$\text{Hazard Quotient} = \frac{\text{Daily Dose}}{\text{Toxicity Reference Value}}$$

$$DD = \frac{(C_{sed} \times IR_{sed}) + (C_{sed} \times BCF \times IR_{food}) + (C_{water} \times IR_{water})}{BW} \times AUF$$



# Modeling Daily Dose

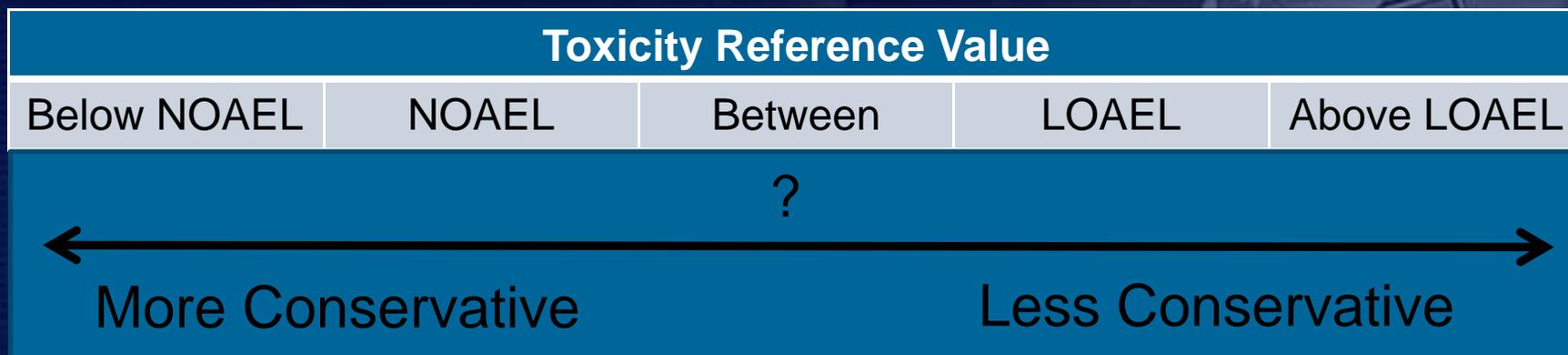
AUF	Site Proportion	AUF = 1	AUF = 1
Concentration	Average	Average	Maximum

← Realistic Conservative →



# Toxicity Reference Values

- **NOAEL – No Observable Adverse Effects Level**
  - Level below which adverse effects are unlikely
- **LOAEL – Lowest Observable Adverse Effects Level**
  - Level above which adverse effects are possible



# Other HQ Considerations

- **Concentrations based on bias sampling**
- **Conservative Bioconcentration Factors**
- **Bioavailability of contaminants in lab assumed same as in field**



# Landfill 2

## NOAEL-Based Hazard Index (AUF = 1)

	Concentrations				Mallard		Great Blue Heron	
	Sediment (mg/kg)		Surface Water (mg/L)		Max	Ave	Max	Ave
	Max	Ave	Max	Ave				
Aroclor 1242	0.12	0.0289	ND	ND	0.00	0.00	0.06	0.02
Aroclor 1254	0.064	0.0282	ND	ND	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.02
Aroclor 1260	0.04	0.0123	ND	ND	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.01
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	0.1	0.03	ND	ND	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00
2,4-Dinitrophenol	1.1	0.17	ND	ND	0.15	0.02	0.89	0.14
Barium	356	80.2	62.2	61.7	0.20	0.04	<b>2.79</b>	0.63

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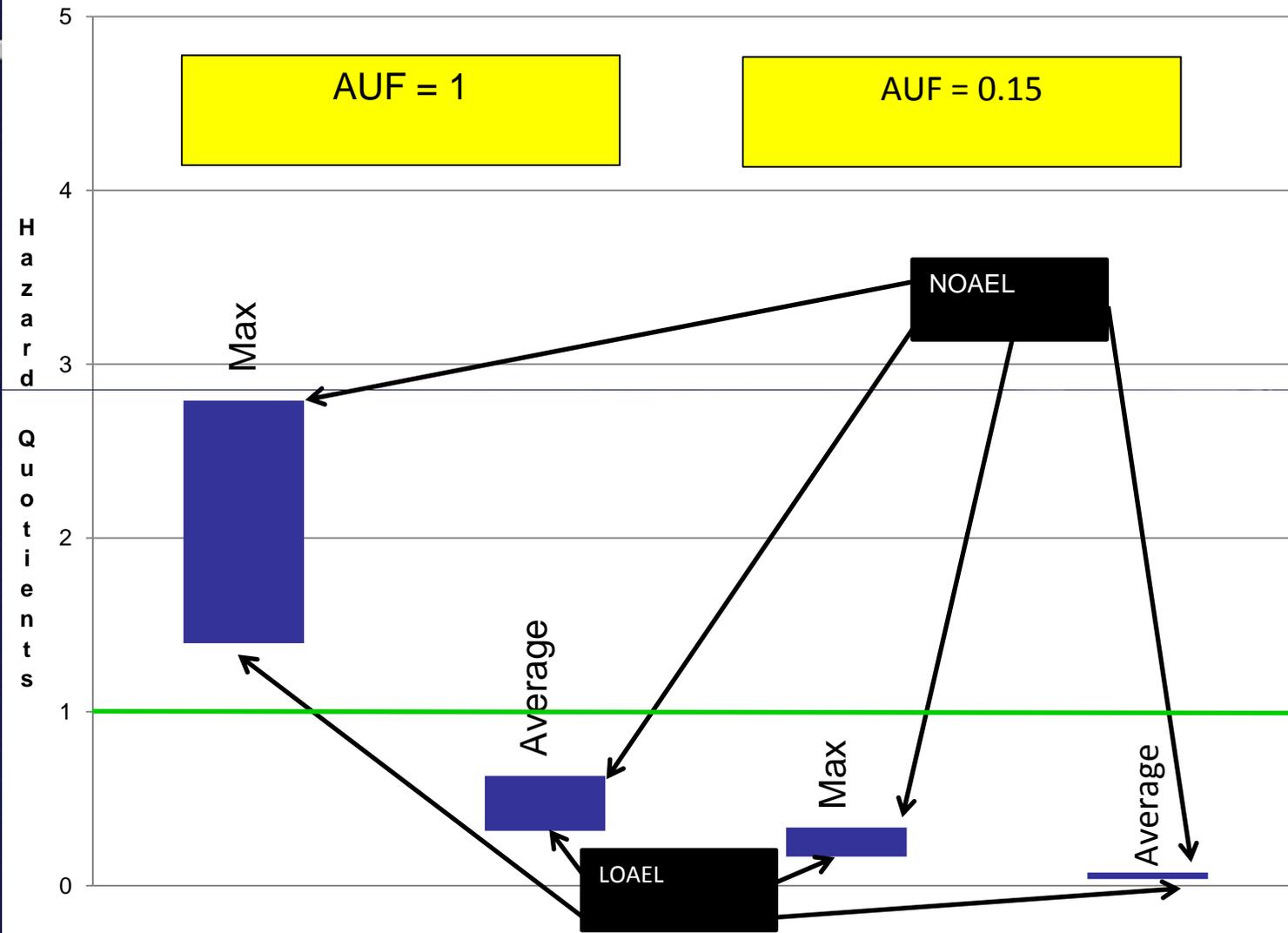
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			Max	Ave
Barium	NOAEL-Based (AUF = 1)		<b>2.79</b>	0.63
Barium	NOAEL-Based (AUF = 0.12)		0.33	0.08
Barium	LOAEL-Based (AUF = 1)		<b>1.40</b>	0.32
Barium	LOAEL-Based (AUF = 0.12)		0.17	0.04



## Landfill 2 - Chromium - Great Blue Heron



# Summary of Screening HQs

Site	COPECs														
	Barium	Cobalt	Copper	Chromium	Nickel	Zinc	Pyrene			Copper		Chromium	Mercury	Silver	DDT
	Great Blue Heron HQs							Mallard HQs			Robin HQs				
<b>Main Post</b>															
Landfill 2 (FTMM-2)	2.8														
Landfill 3 (FTMM-3)			5.0							2.6					
Landfill 4 (FTMM-4)															
Landfill 5 (FTMM-5)															
Landfill 8 (FTMM-8)		2.5		3.5	1.5										
Landfill 12 (FTMM-12)															
Landfill 14 (FTMM-14)															
Site FTMM-16				3.8											
Site FTMM-18		1.2		3.5											
Site FTMM-20															
Building 1122, Site FTMM-59, Parcel 43				4.3											
Building 1150, Parcel 39				3.5											
Buildings 283 (FTMM-61), 288, 291, 293, 295, Parcel 49				9.4	1.7	3.2									
Building 1075, Parcel 61															
Building 900, Parcel 69			2.7	9.2						1.5					
<b>Charles Wood Area</b>															
Landfill CW-3A (FTMM-25)				3.1			1.8								
Site CW-6 (FTMM-28)											3.4	3.7	1.9	1.7	
Building 2700, Parcel 15															
Building 2704, Parcel 27			2.5	1.3						1.3					
Building 2525, Parcel 28															

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# Summary of Site-Specific HQs

Site	COPECs														
	Barium	Cobalt	Copper	Chromium	Nickel	Zinc	Pyrene			Copper		Chromium	Mercury	Silver	DDT
	Great Blue Heron HQs							Mallard HQs			Robin HQs				
<b>Main Post</b>															
Landfill 2 (FTMM-2)															
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# Summary of BEE Results

- **COPECs mostly similar to background**
- **No definitive spatial distribution indicating Site sources**
- **General anthropogenic sources as well as NPL, SHWS and LUST sites in area**
- **Metals may be related to native geology (e.g. glauconitic soils)**
- **Unlikely to have adverse effects on sensitive ecological receptors or habitats**
- **No further ecological evaluations recommended**



# NJDEP Review

- **All exceedances have been sufficiently evaluated and addressed for ecological receptor considerations**
- **No additional ecological evaluation or assessment is necessary for Main Post or Charles Wood Area**





# **U.S. ARMY FORT MONMOUTH**

## **INSTALLATION RESTORATION PROGRAM**

### **STATUS**

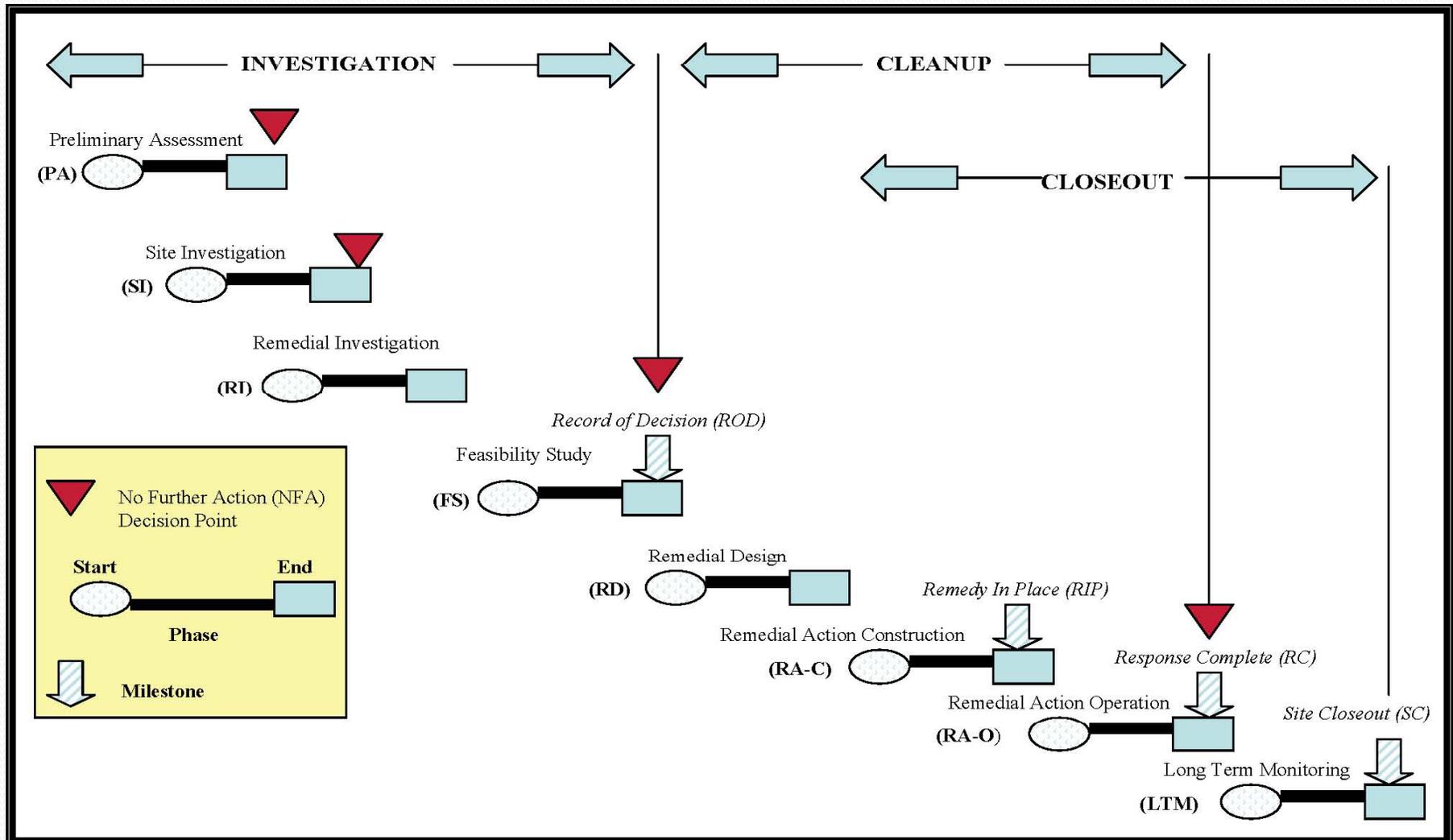
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# FORT MONMOUTH IRP HISTORY

- Managed by Army Material Command (AMC)
- Army's Role and Requirements
- NJDEP's Role and Requirements
- Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management's (OACSIM) Role and Requirements
  - Must follow CERCLA
- Phase Chart

# IRP PHASE CHART





# ENVIRONMENTAL CONTRACT AWARDED

- Contract with Parson Environmental through U.S. Army Corp of Engineers New York District
- Contractor task includes but limited to:
  - Review historical site reports and documentation
  - Conduct remedial investigation (RI) to determine the nature and extent of contamination
  - Prepare Feasibility Studies in accordance with CERCLA and to the extent possible to meet the requirements of N.J.A.C. 7:26E Technical Requirements for Site Remediation
  - Prepare CERCLA compliant Proposed Plans and Decision Documents
  - Review NJDEP comments to the ECP, complete any required sampling and prepare a report document conclusions and recommendations
  - Performance of groundwater sampling (annually and quarterly)
  - Develop a database of electronic information

# LANDFILLS OBJECTIVES

- Landfill Sites: M2, M3, M4, M5, M8, M12, M14, M18 and M25.
- Prepare, submit and gain acceptance of RI/FS for 9 landfills through the final deliverable with NJDEP acceptance.
- Prepare a CERCLA compliant submission
  - with a compilation of previous sampling data and a review of alternatives, and to the extent possible to meet the requirements of N.J.A.C. 7:26 E Technical Requirements for Site Remediation and receive acceptance by the state regulators.
- Prepare, submit and gain regulator acceptance of a Proposed Plan (PP).
- Prepare, submit, gain acceptance and implement Decision Documents.
- Perform a remedy and achieve closure of the 9 landfills.
- Install a soil cap on the 9 landfills.



# IRP SITES OBJECTIVES

## (NON-LANDFILLS)

- IRP Sites: M22, M28, M53, M54, M55, M56, M57, M58, M59, M61, M64, M66, and M68.
- Review historical records.
- Conduct RI/FS activities and receive acceptance by NJDEP.
- Prepare, submit and gain acceptance of a Proposed Plan (PP).
- Prepare a CERCLA compliant Decision Documents submission and receive acceptance by NJDEP.
- Complete investigations and report findings to address NJDEP comments on ECP Phase II SI report.
- Conduct field sampling activities, prepare reports and receive NJDEP acceptance.
- M68 – Conduct a remedial investigation (RI) in accordance with CERCLA, as amended, characterizing the nature and extent of contamination.



# ECP PARCEL OBJECTIVES

- Parcel 28 – Sample former Septic Tank components and groundwater.
- Parcel 38 – Sample former Outdoor Pistol Range groundwater.
- Parcel 39 – Delineate soil to Residential Direct Contact Soil Clean Up Criteria (RDCSCC).
- Parcel 49 – The former Squier Laboratory Complex – delineate PAHs in soils and groundwater.
- Parcel 57 – The former Coal Storage and Railroad Unloading (800 area) – delineate PAHs in soils. Sample soils for PCBs.
- Parcel 61 – Building 1075 – sample soils for PAHs near the door at the southeast corner of the building.
- Parcel 69 – Building 900 former Vehicle Repair/Motor Pool – Soil and sediment sample locations previously sampled shall be resampled and analyzed for PCBs. Groundwater shall be further evaluated.



# ELECTRONIC DATABASE OBJECTIVES

- Develop an electronic database of information (in MS Access) which includes all soil, sediment, surface water and groundwater based on previous investigations.
- This database and GIS system will have the capability to run site specific reports, review and print out site specific maps (from M2-M68) with sites specific coverages and be able to compare information (and post data) compared to applicable EPA and NJDEP criteria.



# CURRENT STATUS OF IRP SITES

- **M-2:** RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Final sent to NJDEP for review.
- **M-3:** RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Will forward Final to NJDEP by 10/19/12.
- **M-4:** RAPR (2Q 01 -3Q 10) Will forward Final to NJDEP by 10/26/12.
- **M-5:** RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Final sent to NJDEP for review.
- **M-8:** RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Final sent to NJDEP for review.
- **M-12:** RIRA/RAWP (2Q 01 – 3Q 10) Will forward to Calibre for review by 10/12/12
- **M-14:** RIRA/RAWP (2Q 01 – 3Q 10) Will forward to Calibre for review by 10/12/12

# CURRENT STATUS OF IRP SITES

- **M-18:** RIRA/RAWP (2Q 01 – 3Q 10) Will forward to Calibre for review by 10/12/12
- **M-22:** RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Final sent to NJDEP for review.
- **M-25:** RIRA/RAWP (2Q 01 – 3Q 10) Being revised by Calibre.
- **M-28:** RIRA/RAWP (2Q 01 – 3Q 10) Final sent to NJDEP for review.
- **M-53:** RAPR (1Q 09 – 3Q 10) Will forward to Calibre for review by 12/1/12
- **M-54:** RIRA/RAWP (4Q 00 – 3Q 10) Will forward to Calibre for review by 11/17/12
- **M-55:** RIRA/RAWP (1Q 94 – 3Q 10) Will forward to Calibre for review by 11/24/12

# CURRENT STATUS OF IRP SITES

- M-56: RIRA/RAWP (2Q 01 – 3Q 10) Will forward to Calibre for review by 12/1/12
- M-57: RIRA/RAWP (2Q 01 – 3Q 10) Will forward to Calibre for review by 12/15/12
- M-58: RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Final sent to NJDEP for review.
- M-59: RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Will forward Final to NJDEP by 10/19/12.
- M-61: RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Draft being reviewed by Calibre.
- M-64: RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Draft being reviewed by Calibre.
- M-66: RAPR (1Q 09 -3Q 10) Draft being reviewed by Calibre.
- M-68: RI/FS to be performed by PARSONS

# QUESTIONS

