

# Contaminant Plume Behaviour in Fractured Sedimentary Rocks

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## This Talk Shows...

- An example of an intensive field study of chlorinated solvent contamination in fractured Cretaceous sandstone
- Strong plume retardation and attenuation due to matrix diffusion

# Judge's Ruling Goes Against Neighbors of Rocketdyne

■ **Litigation:** Decision says suit alleging contamination doesn't meet strict class-action requirements, but allows a chance to amend the action.

By MACK REED  
TIMES STAFF WRITER

A federal judge in Los Angeles on Monday shot down attempts by Rocketdyne's neighbors to press a class-action lawsuit for property damage, but she left the door open for the plaintiffs to amend their complaint.

U.S. District Judge Audrey Collins ruled that the suit alleging that Rocketdyne's Santa Susana Field Lab and three San Fernando Valley facilities have contaminated nearby homes and businesses was too broadly framed and inadequately supported for the narrow legal contours of class-action law. But Collins also gave some weight to the plaintiffs' claims that off-site ground water contains traces of hundreds of thousands of

# Rocketdyne opens doors for cleanup

## Public to tour Simi plant

By Christopher Nixon  
Daily News Staff Writer

**SIMI VALLEY** — Rocketdyne is offering to lead members of the public around its 2,600-acre hilltop field lab used for nuclear and chemical experiments, and more than a dozen people have signed up so far for the tour.

Spokeswoman Lurji Circle said Rocketdyne International Corp., which owns Rocketdyne, is opening the gates of the high-security facility in an attempt to reassure the public about the thoroughness of the \$55 million cleanup operation now in its final stages.

"It's important the community feels confident in the work we're doing," Circle said. "This is another way of trying to partner with the community to let them know we do care about their concerns."

A training program is still in the works, but preliminary plans outside more than 20 homes of

instruction from health and safety authorities with tours beginning in January.

Rocketdyne has been cleaning radioactive and chemical pollutants from the site since 1989, when a routine survey by the U.S. Department of Energy recorded contamination.

Environmental activists and some neighbors said the invitation was a public relations exercise which could easily backfire on Rocketdyne.

"It's clear that the cleanup is superficial and designed to declare dirty areas clean," said Dan Hirsch, an anti-nuclear activist and member of a citizen watchdog group charged with overseeing the clean-up. "With people along, it will be slightly tougher for them to get away with it."

Rocketdyne made the invitation after being criticized at a meeting of

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## VALLEY NEWS

# Residents Criticize Pollution Study

■ **Ecology:** They accuse state environmental agency of approving Rocketdyne's plan before informing the public.

By MACK REED  
Los Angeles Times  
WCCN TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 1997

That offer prompted several in the audience of about 60 to scoff under their breaths during the meeting, which was often marred by bickering and accusations from the residents.

Rocketdyne's predecessor, North American Aviation, opened the lab in 1946 and over the years

The Fall is still looking into possible criminal charges against other Rocketdyne employees in connection with the blast.

As Thursday's meeting wore on, cleanup coalition members criticized Cal/EPA for backing out of a promise to give them copies of letters to and from Rocketdyne

# COUNTY

## Rocketdyne Field Lab Neighbors Sue Boeing

■ **Ecology:** Residents file a class-action suit against the parent over contamination and health risks posed by research.

BY

Neighbors of Rocketdyne's Santa Susana Field Laboratory and a firm's parent company in Monday, alleging that nuclear and chemical research at that complex poisoned their homes and caused them to contract

San Fernando Valley filed a class-action suit against Boeing North American Inc., which in December bought the 2,600-acre research complex that lies Rocketdyne division still runs.

The suit filed in Los Angeles demands that Boeing pay damages and set up a medical fund for future treatment of the cancer that the plaintiffs say they and their neighbors have and radioactive

It asks the court to order Rocketdyne to make public all past and present risks of contamination posed by the field lab's research into rocket engines and atomic reactors.

And it cites a laundry list of nuclear meltdowns, chemical explosions and toxic releases that Rocketdyne allegedly allowed to foul the air, water and land around the field lab ever since it opened in 1946 to design the first U.S. rocket engine.

Plaintiff attorney Tina Neves said

brought on mainly by radiation exposure.

"They all live at opposite ends of the Santa Susana Pass," she said, referring to the road that hugs the hill where Rocketdyne sits, midway between Simi Valley and the San Fernando Valley.

"We thought that was a promise that there was going on up at Rocketdyne, reactor facility was between cancer clusters we found,"

One woman named in the

# Rocketdyne to face onslaught of lawsuits

**COMPLAINTS:** People living around facility allege chemical, radiation exposure.

By Brett Johnson  
Staff writer

An attorney who represented a cultural center in a pollution lawsuit against Rocketdyne said Tuesday she will file more than 30 individual cases, against the company.

The cases involve people who live around Rocketdyne's Santa Susana Field Laboratory between Simi Valley and Canoga Park. They allege damages from radiation and chemical exposure from the longtime nuclear and scientific testing facility.

The people seek compensation for loss of property value and related medical costs. A total amount sought has not been

specified, attorney Helen Zukin said.

The complaints, Zukin said, will be filed Thursday in U.S. District Court in Los Angeles against Rocketdyne's parent company, Boeing North American Inc.

The cases, sparked by the recent release of a Rocketdyne worker health study, also could signal the start of another round of legal action stemming from alleged pollution coming from the Rocketdyne facility, Zukin said she will file other cases, including personal injury claims, against Rocketdyne within the next month.

"This is the first group of a series of cases we're filing," Zukin said.

Meanwhile, other attorneys have organized a public meeting at 7 p.m. Friday at the Radisson

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# CSF in Public Eye

Simi Star  
November 12, 1996

# Public wary of EPA's reply

Agency increased in cleanup.

## EPA: Rocketdyne cleanup OK'd

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Officials charged with monitoring the cleanup, will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Simi Valley City Hall to discuss the oversight project and other topics.

In a series of requests, first in

group asked the EPA to assign him to the project.

Dempsey is director of the EPA's Center for Environmental Restoration Monitoring and Emergency Response with the Radiation and Indoor Environment's National Laboratory in

## State Begins Study of Field Lab's Toxic Path

■ **Health:** Investigators want to know if contamination reached areas such as Chatsworth and West Hills.

By KATE FOLMAR  
TIMES STAFF WRITER

**SIMI VALLEY**—State health investigators are starting a study to determine if any chemical and radioactive contamination from the Rocketdyne's Santa Susana Field Laboratory could have seeped into surrounding neighborhoods.

While the outcome of the so-called "exposure assessment" is far from certain, it could be an important first step toward a long-awaited community health survey.

An environmental health investigator with the California Department of Health Services announced late Wednesday that her department would examine possible "pathways of contamination" from the field lab near the border of Los Angeles and Ventura counties to homes a few miles away.

Pending such pathways—through air, soil or water—could possibly lead to a full-blown community health survey if strong evidence of all-site contamination is found, said Marilyn S. Underwood, a toxicologist with the Environmental Health Investigations branch of the state health department.

"This is an exposure assessment," Underwood said after the quarterly meeting of the Santa Susana Field Lab Workgroup. "It could lead to physician education, it could lead to a whole lot of things, one of which could be a community health study, but I wouldn't put any bet on it."

The 2,600-acre field lab outside Simi Valley was the site of nuclear research between the 1950s and 1980s and has long been used for rocket engine research. For years, Rocketdyne critics have believed that chemicals and radiation from the Hill have caused illnesses, such as cancer, among field lab neighbors.

of radiation effects on about 4,000 former and current Rocketdyne workers has only just started.

The \$1.5-million UCLA study, released last month, linked some work at Rocketdyne to higher-than-expected cancer death rates. It will be followed next year by a study of workers exposed to chemicals believed to cause cancer.

While the UCLA study addressed health effects among workers, little research has been done in the surrounding communities of Simi Valley, Box and Bell Canyon, the Santa Susana Knolls, Chatsworth and West Hills, much to the chagrin of neighbors who blame bladder cancers, leukemia and birth defects on their aerospace neighbor.

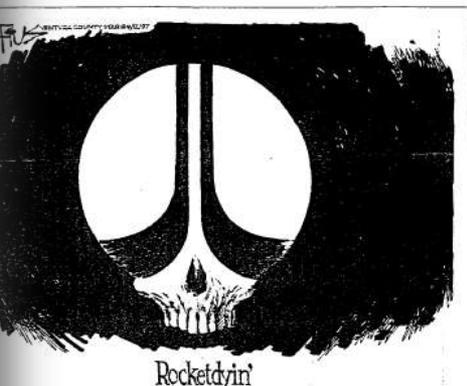
Within six months, Underwood and her colleagues will measure all existing off-site measurements of air, water and soil contamination from the field lab and will determine whether further measurements are necessary, she said.

If more tests are needed, the environmental investigators would first ask another public agency or Rocketdyne to take the additional off-site measurements. If needed, however, the investigators could take soil and water samples themselves, she added.

"As with most sites, a list of data doesn't already exist," she said. "We have data from the best-documented bladder cancer and the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, but we'll look for whatever other data might be needed from the south, east and west of (the field lab). We always press for more data."

Rocketdyne recently settled a lawsuit in which the Brandeis-Bardin Institute, a Jewish studies center, claimed nuclear and rocket research polluted its land and water and lowered its property value.

# OPINION



Rocketdyne

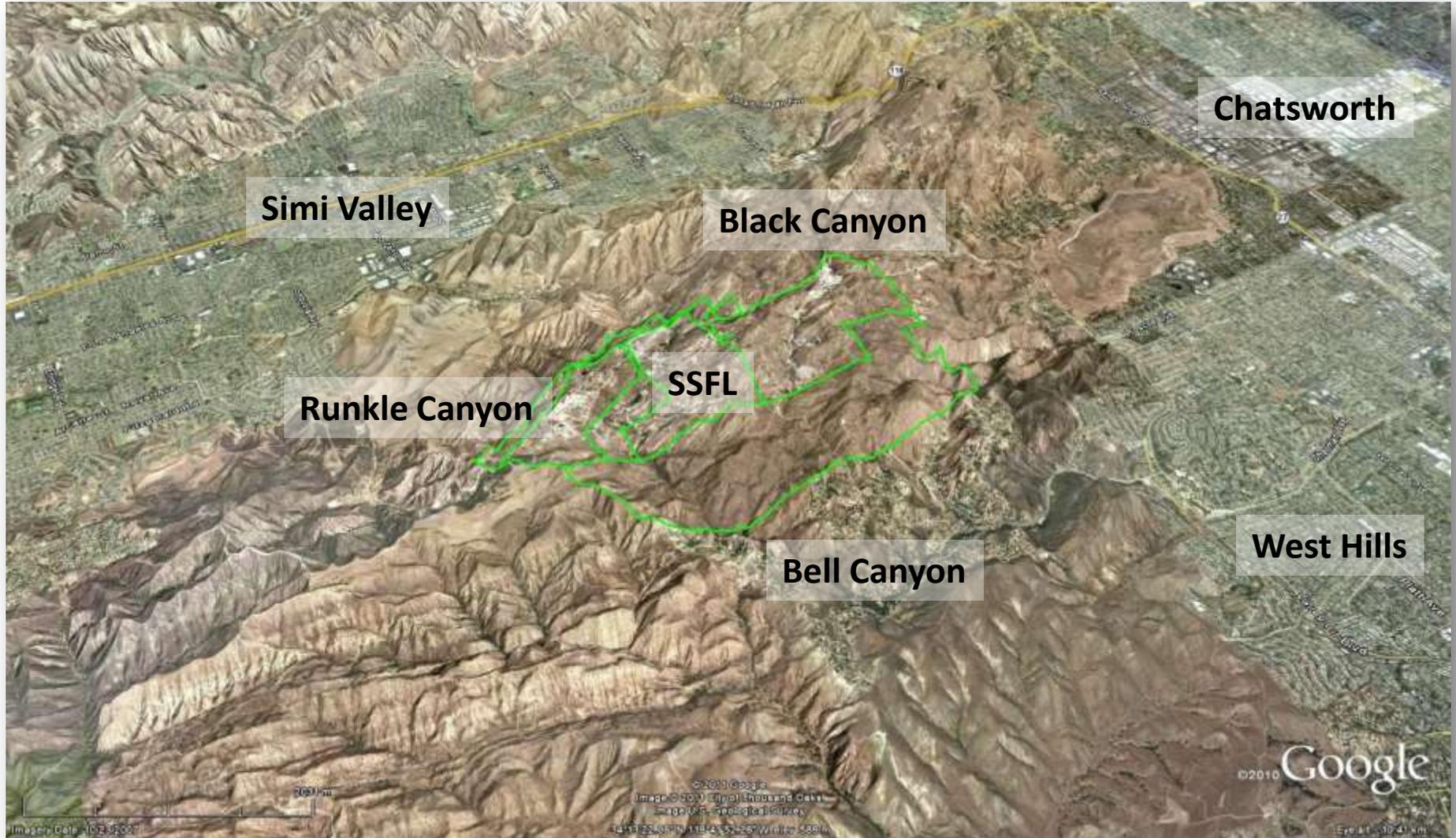
# Site Location



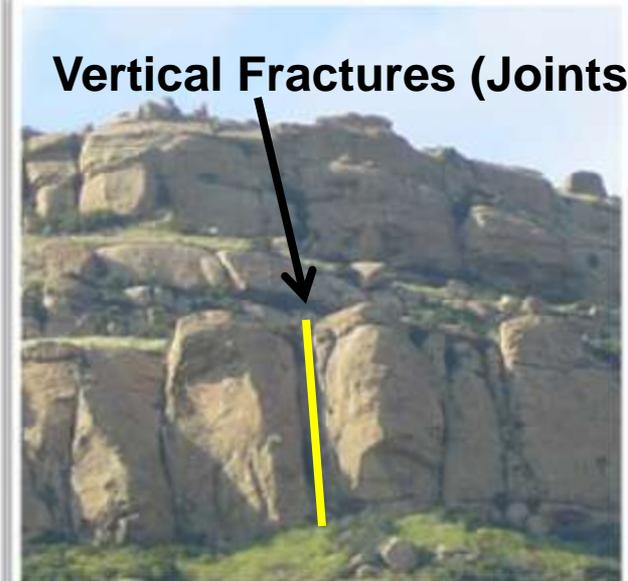
# Located in Greater Los Angeles Area



# Upland Site Between Communities



# Deep Marine Turbidite Deposit: Interbedded Sandstone and Shale





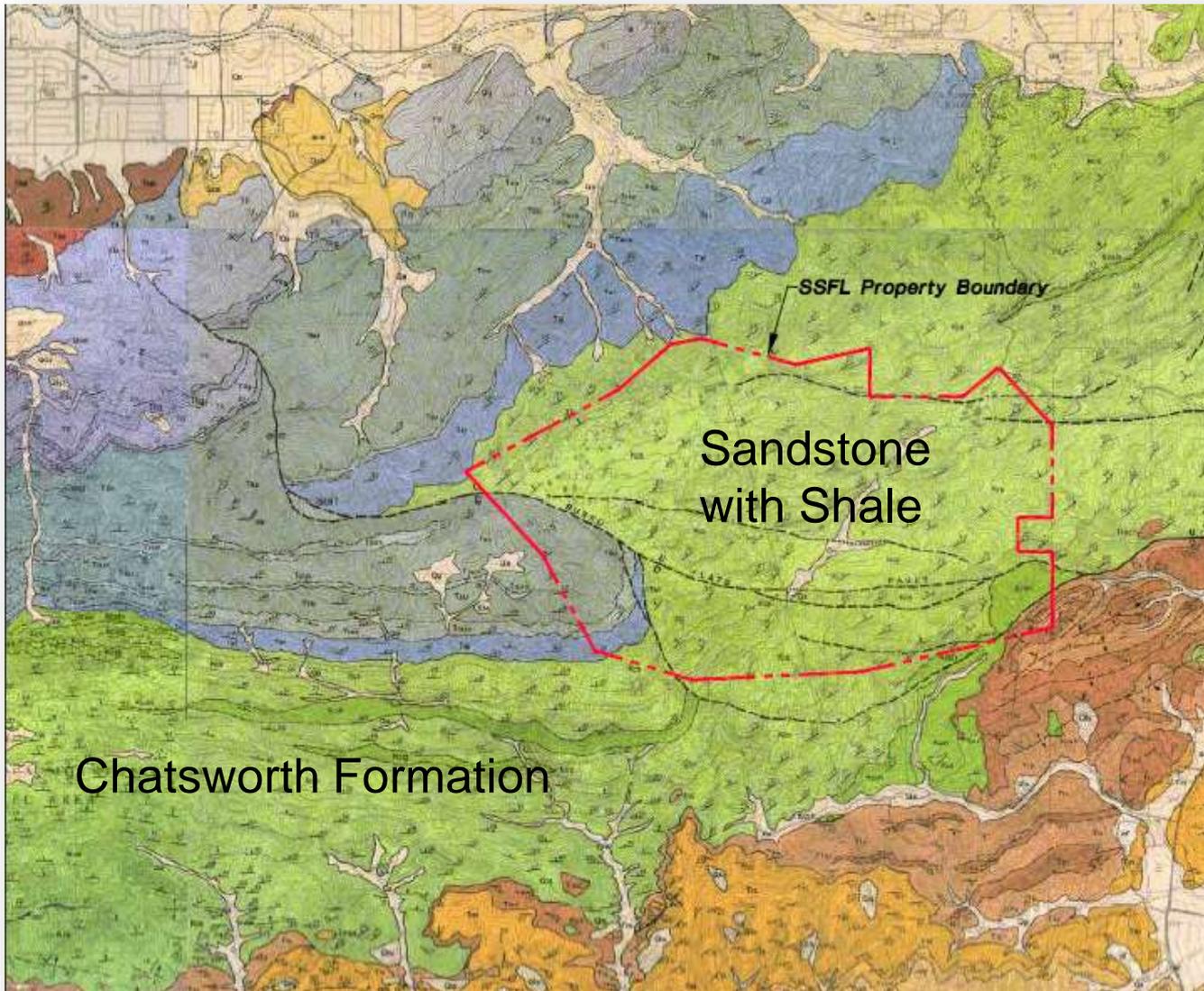
# Nature of the Problem

At first glance the site is complex:

- Fractures
- Faults
- Dipping beds
- Numerous contaminant input areas
- DNAPL

***Value of site conceptual model approach***

# Study Area All Within Chatsworth Fm



Simi Formation  
Conglomerate



Santa Susana Formation  
Sandstone



Chatsworth Formation  
Sandstone



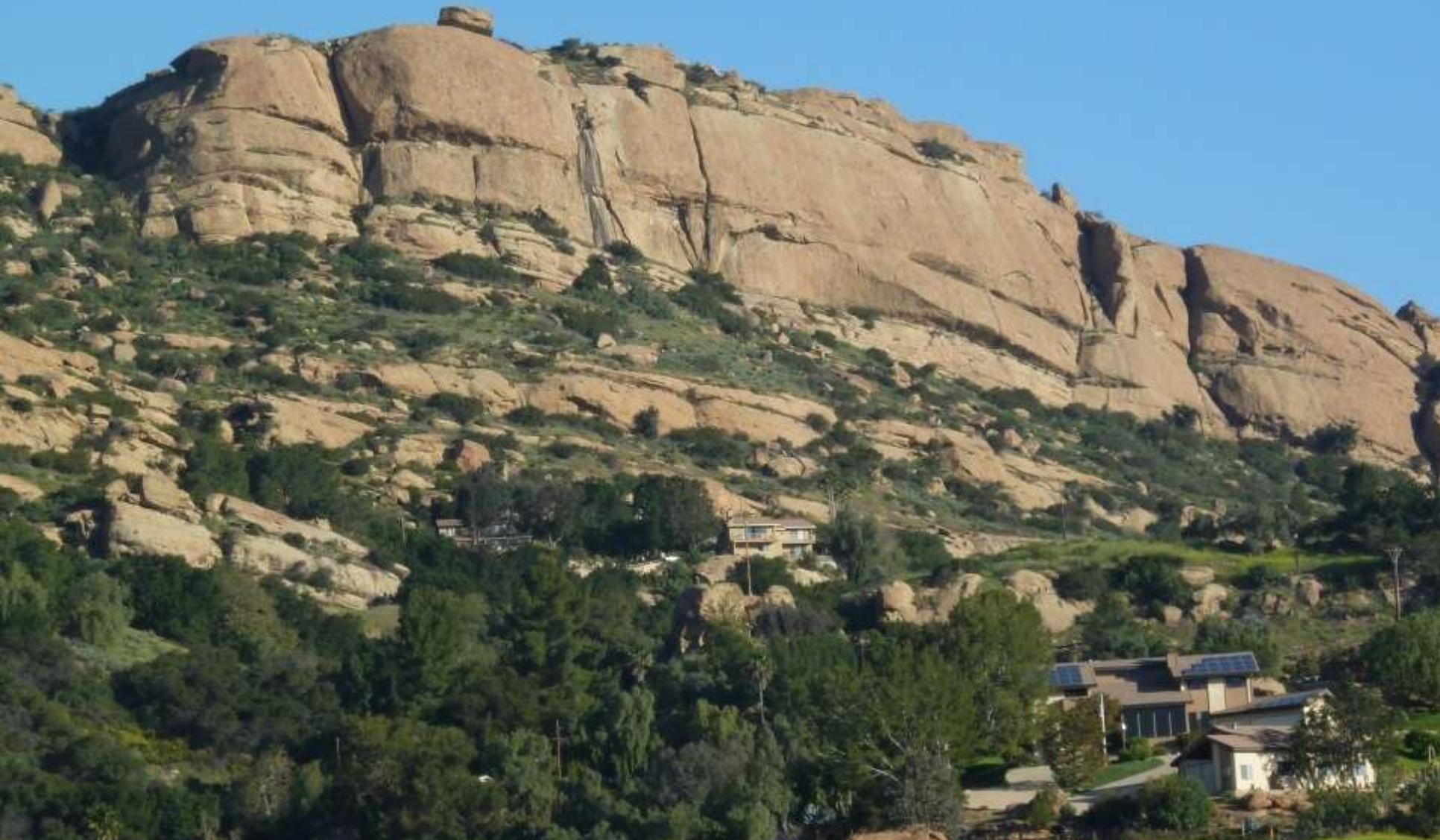
Monterey Formation  
Sandstone



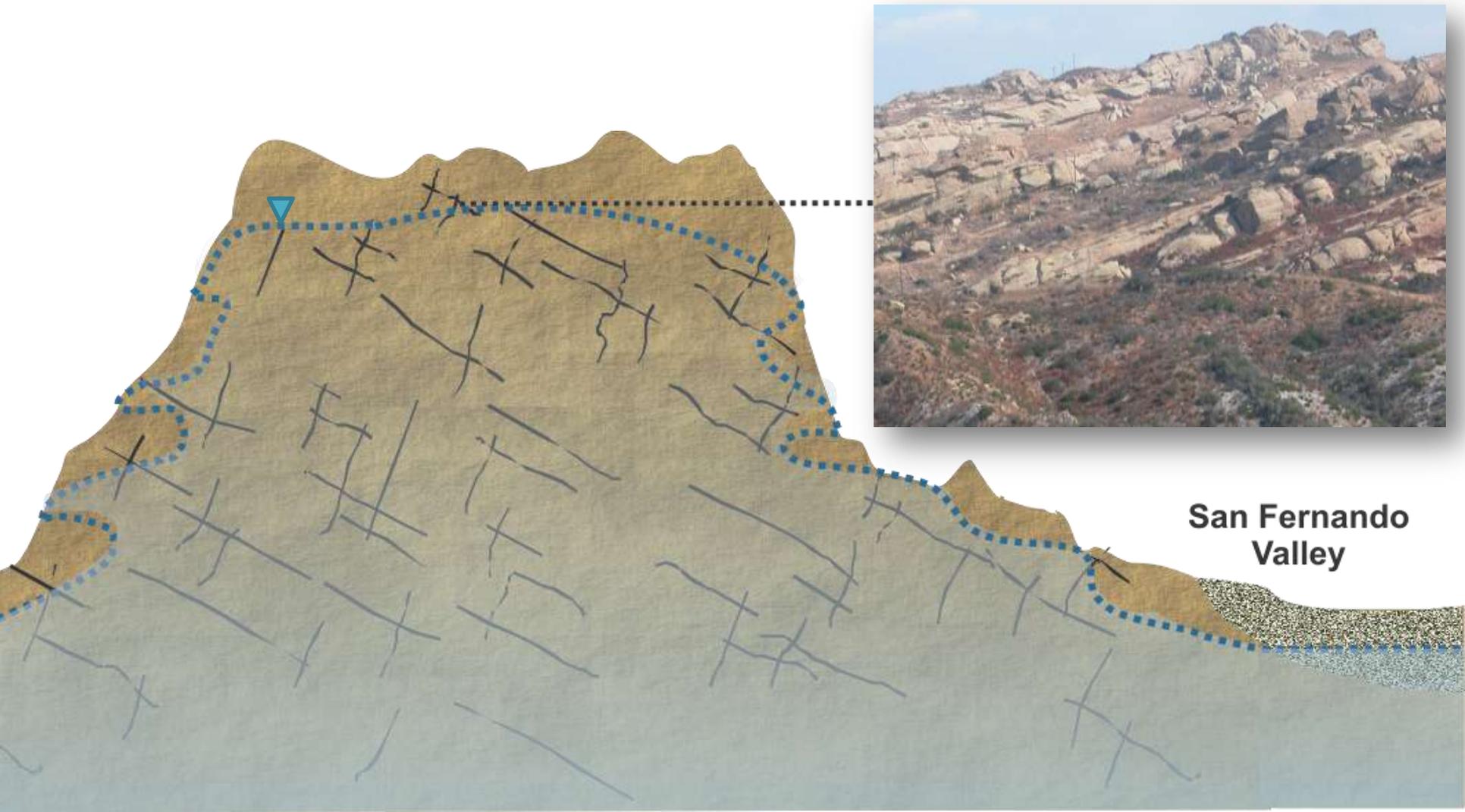
Sespe Formation  
Sandstone and  
Conglomerate

# The Chatsworth Formation

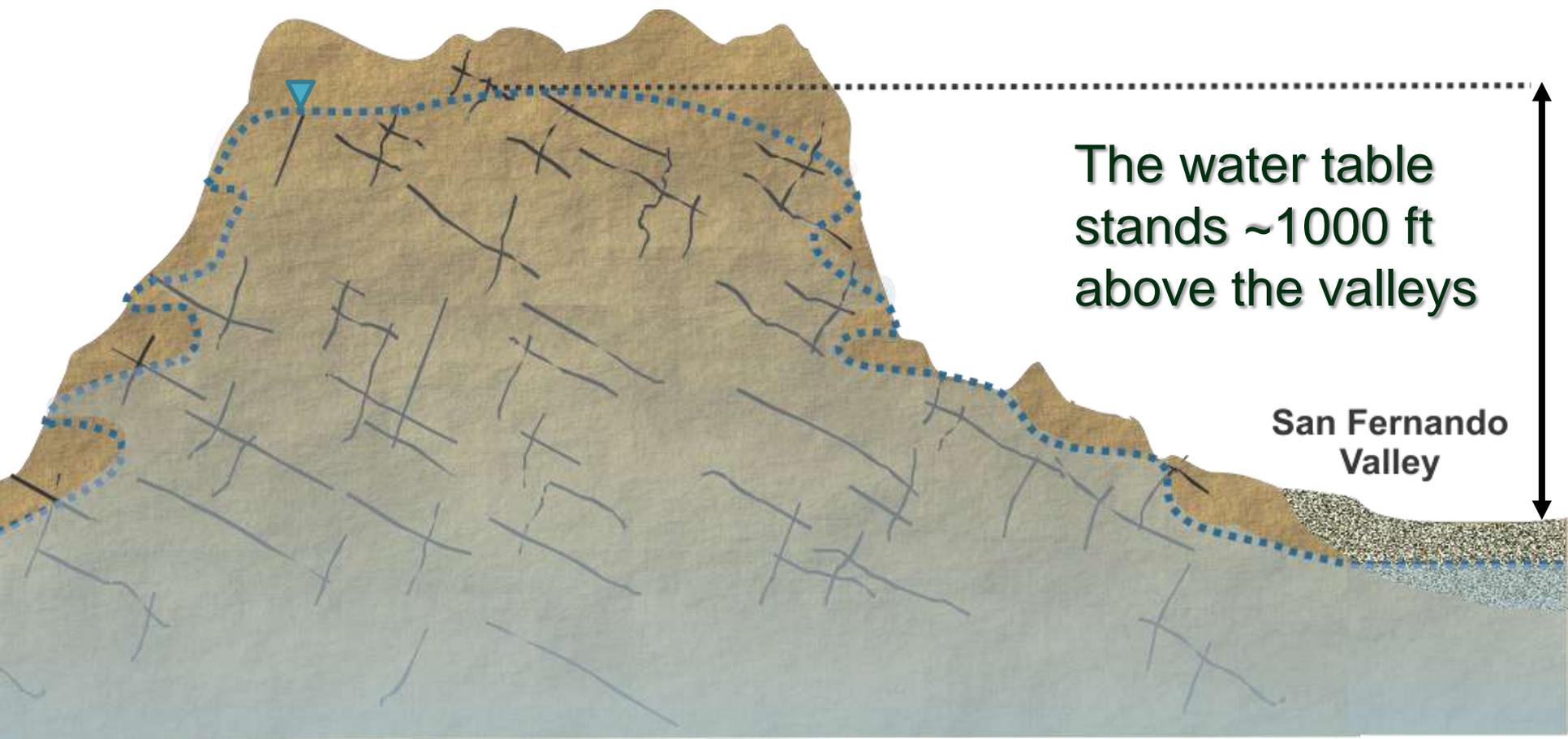
## Turbidite



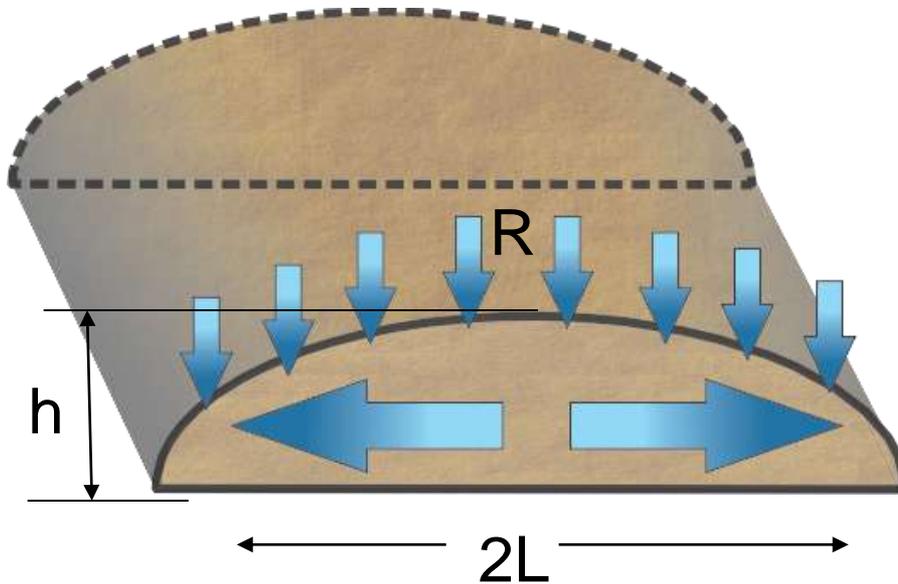
# High water table and groundwater flow in fractures



# Why does the SSFL groundwater level stay high above the surrounding valleys?



# Mountain Approximated as a Ridge



$$K_b = R L^2 / h^2$$

$K_b$  = bulk hydraulic conductivity

$R$  = recharge rate ( $\sim 10\%$  ppt)

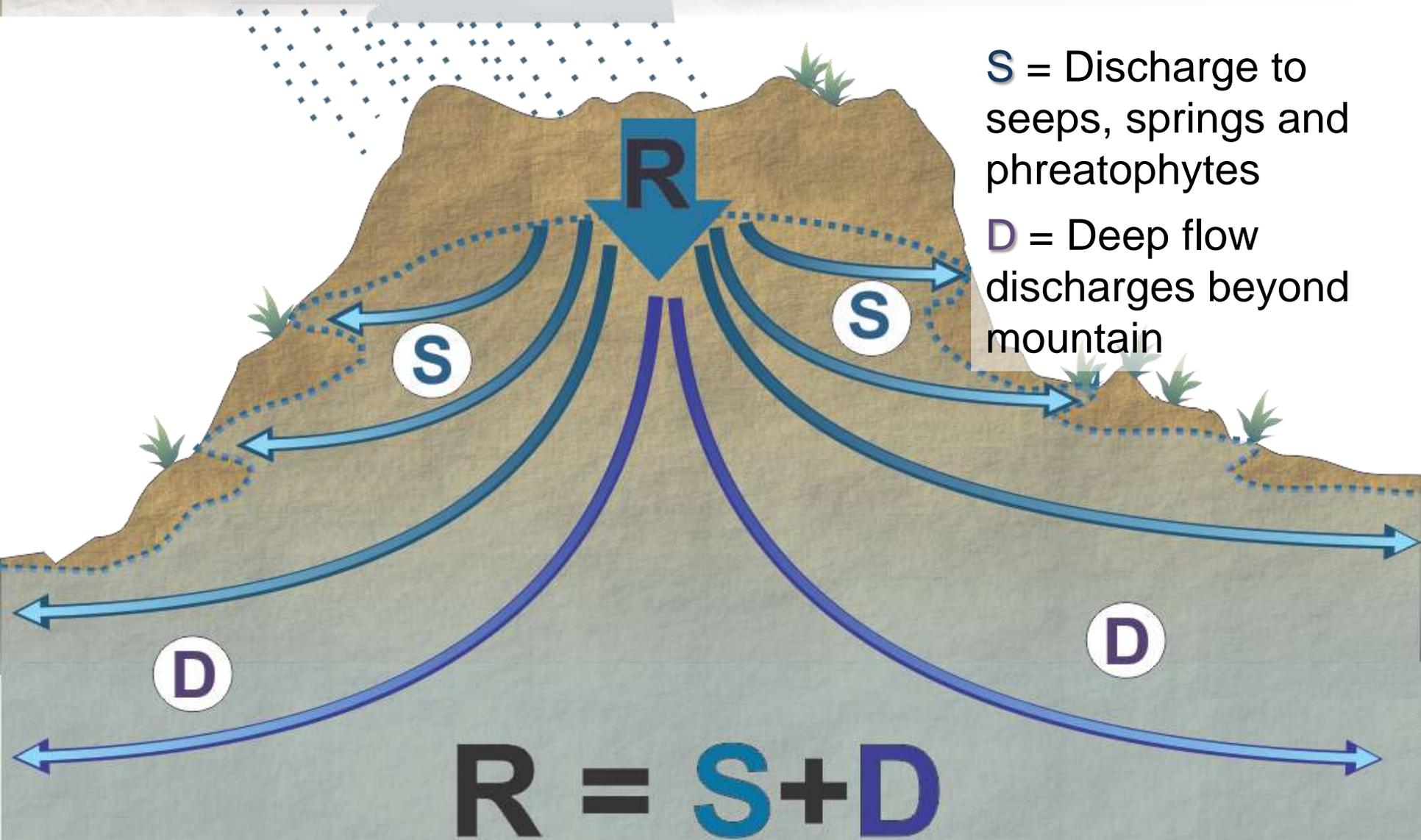
$L$  = width of mound

$h$  = height of mound at center

Groundwater mound forms a long ridge of constant cross section.

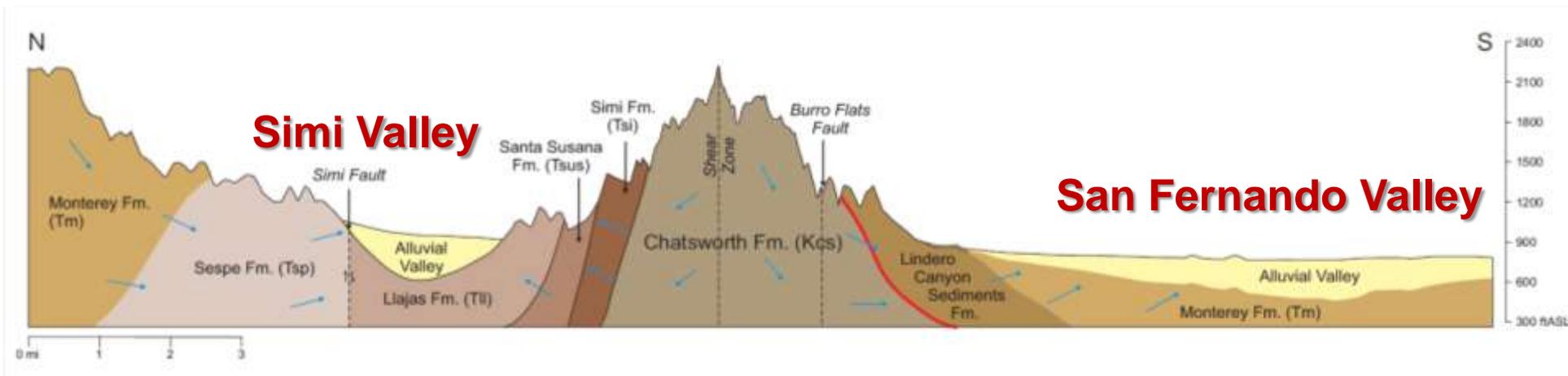
$$K \sim 10^{-5} \text{ cm/s}$$

# Where does the recharge water go?



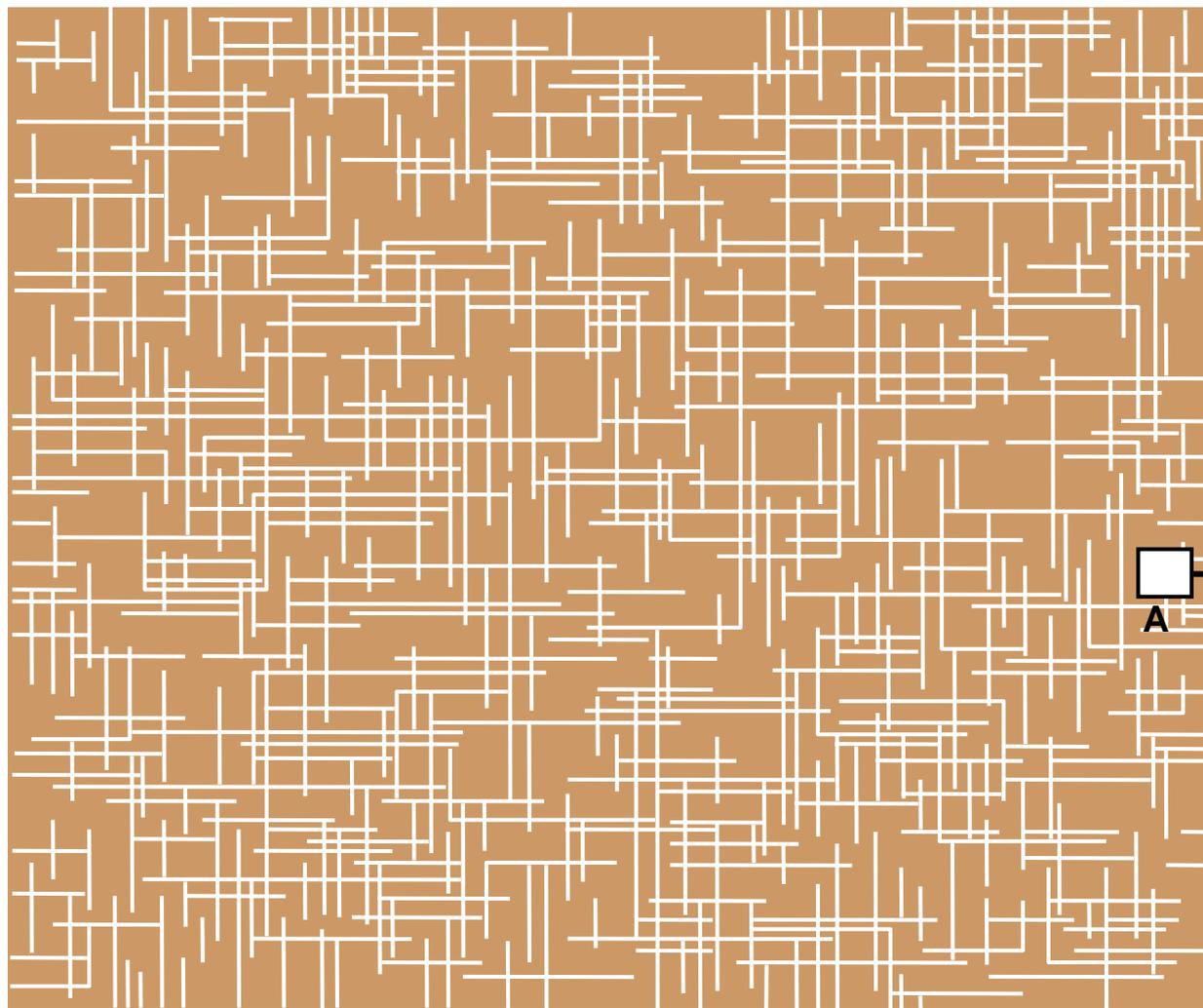
# Regional Hydrogeologic Section

- Minimal municipal groundwater use in both San Fernando and Simi Valleys
- Local private wells



Vertical Exaggeration = 10

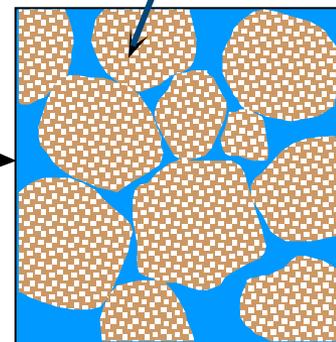
# Dual Permeability System



**Matrix Porosity: 2-20%**

**DETAIL A**

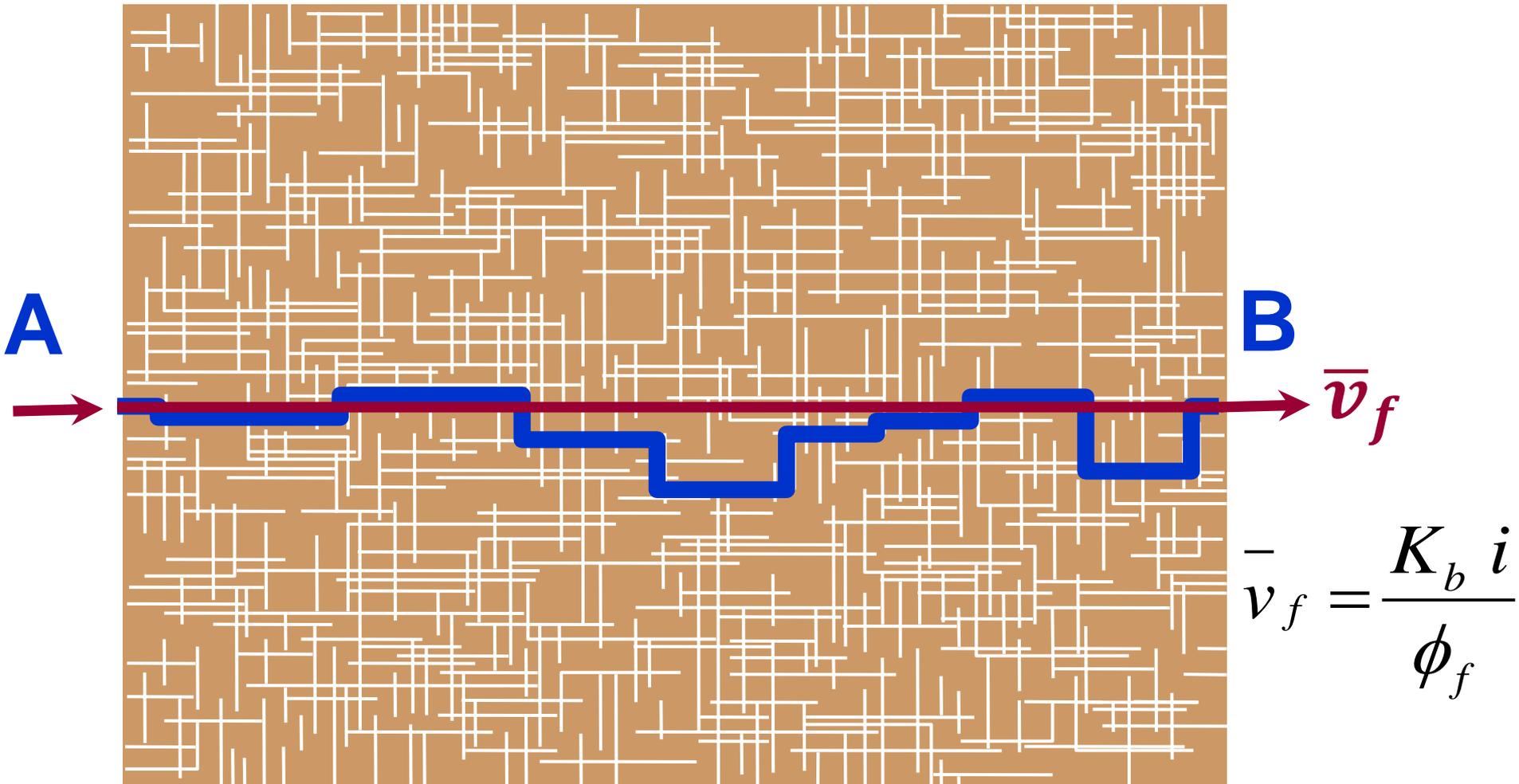
**mineral particle**



**Microscopic  
view of rock  
matrix**

**Fracture Porosity: 0.01 to 0.001%**

# Fast Average Linear Groundwater Velocity in Fractured Rock

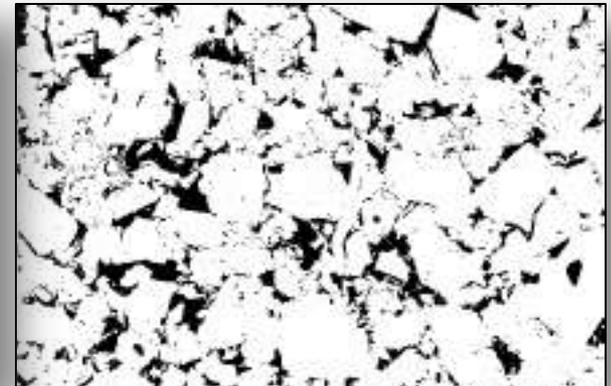
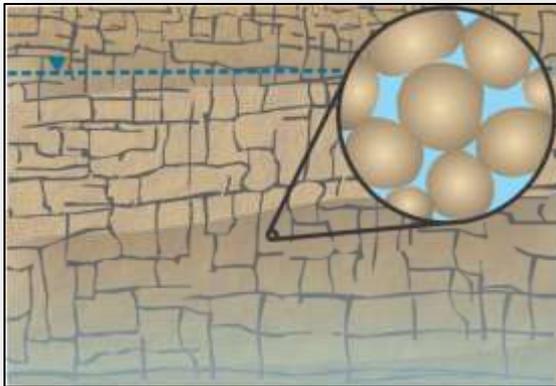


$\bar{v}_f$  represents line path from A to B

# Virtually all groundwater is present in the low permeability matrix

**Matrix porosity ~ 13 %**

**Matrix permeability ~  $10^{-6}$  to  $10^{-11}$  cm/s**



# Two Primary Functions at SSFL

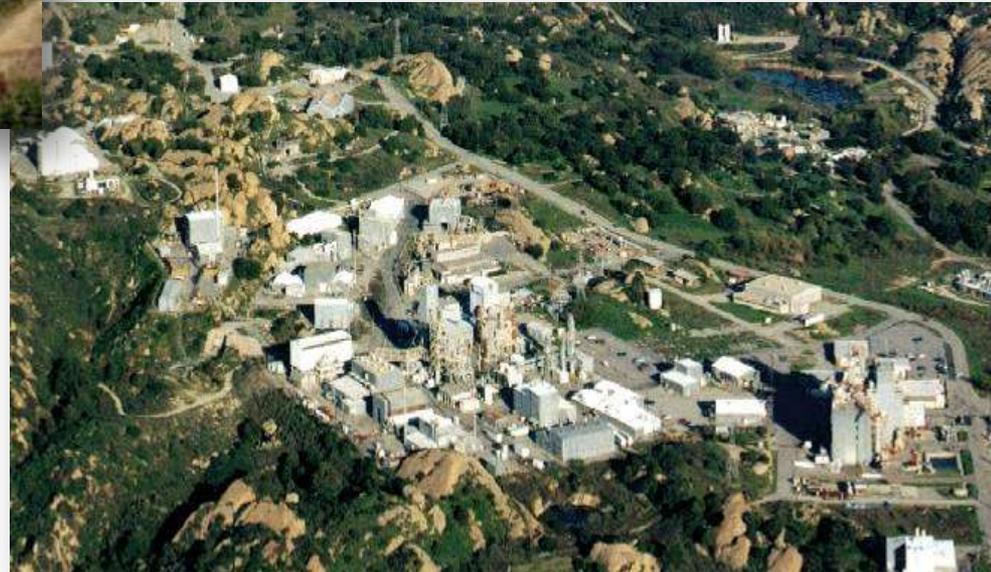


## Rocket Engine Testing for NASA

- 1949-2006
- Six Test Stands – 17,000 Rocket Engine & Component Tests
- Last test March 3, 2006

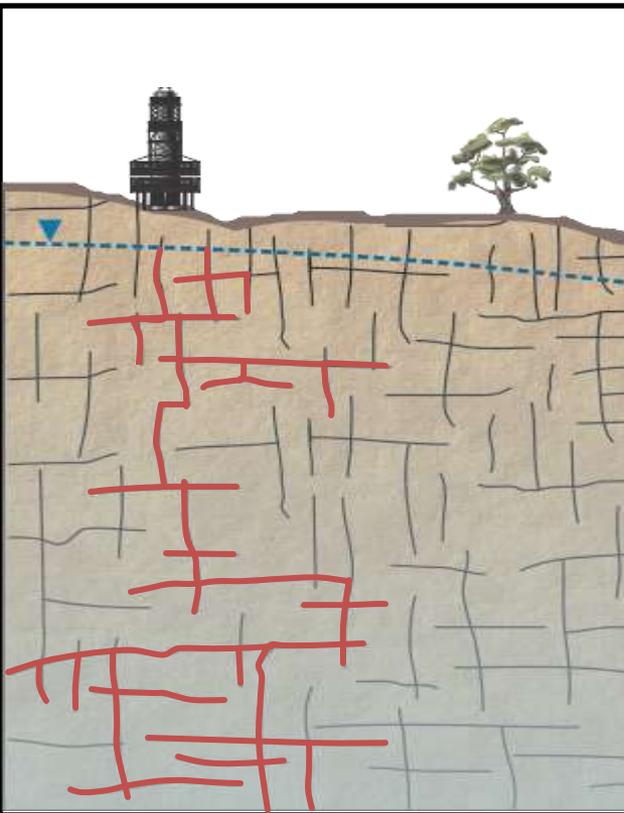
## Nuclear Research & Liquid Metal Research for DOE

- Nuclear Power Research: 1956-1983
- Ten reactors
- Sodium component test facilities
- DOE Program ends 1988



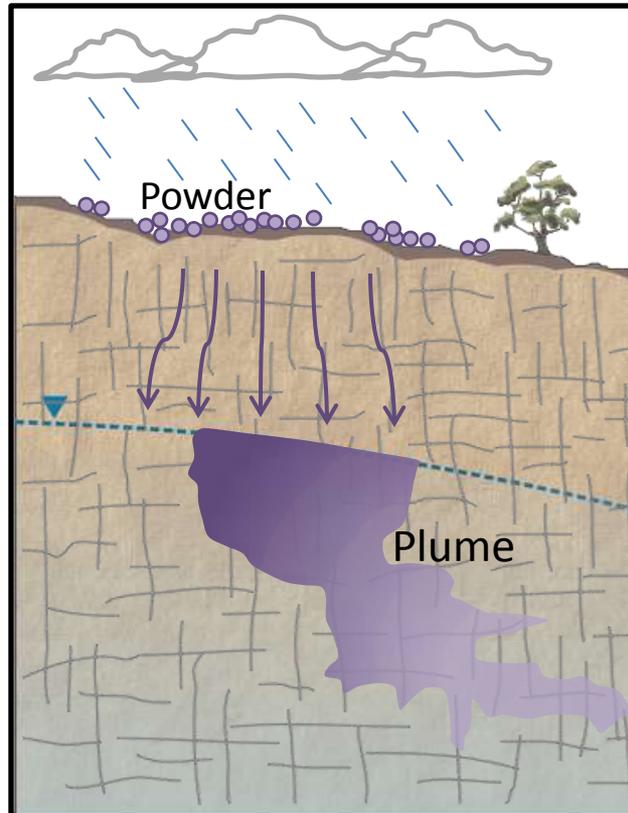
# How Did Contaminants Get Into SSFL Groundwater?

## DNAPL Infiltration



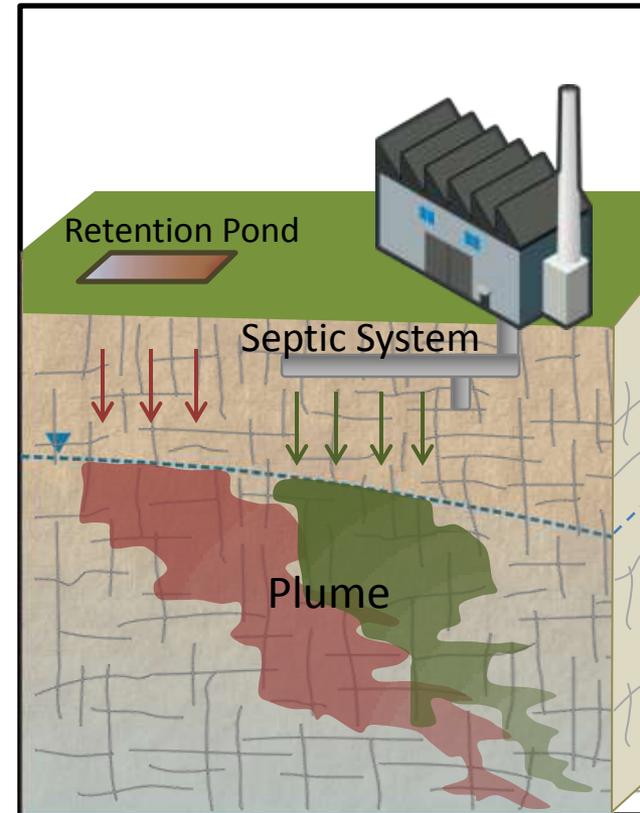
**Trichloroethene**  
Perchloroethene  
Trichloroethane

## Leaching of Solids



**Perchlorate ( $\text{ClO}_4$ )**  
Metals

## Water Infiltration



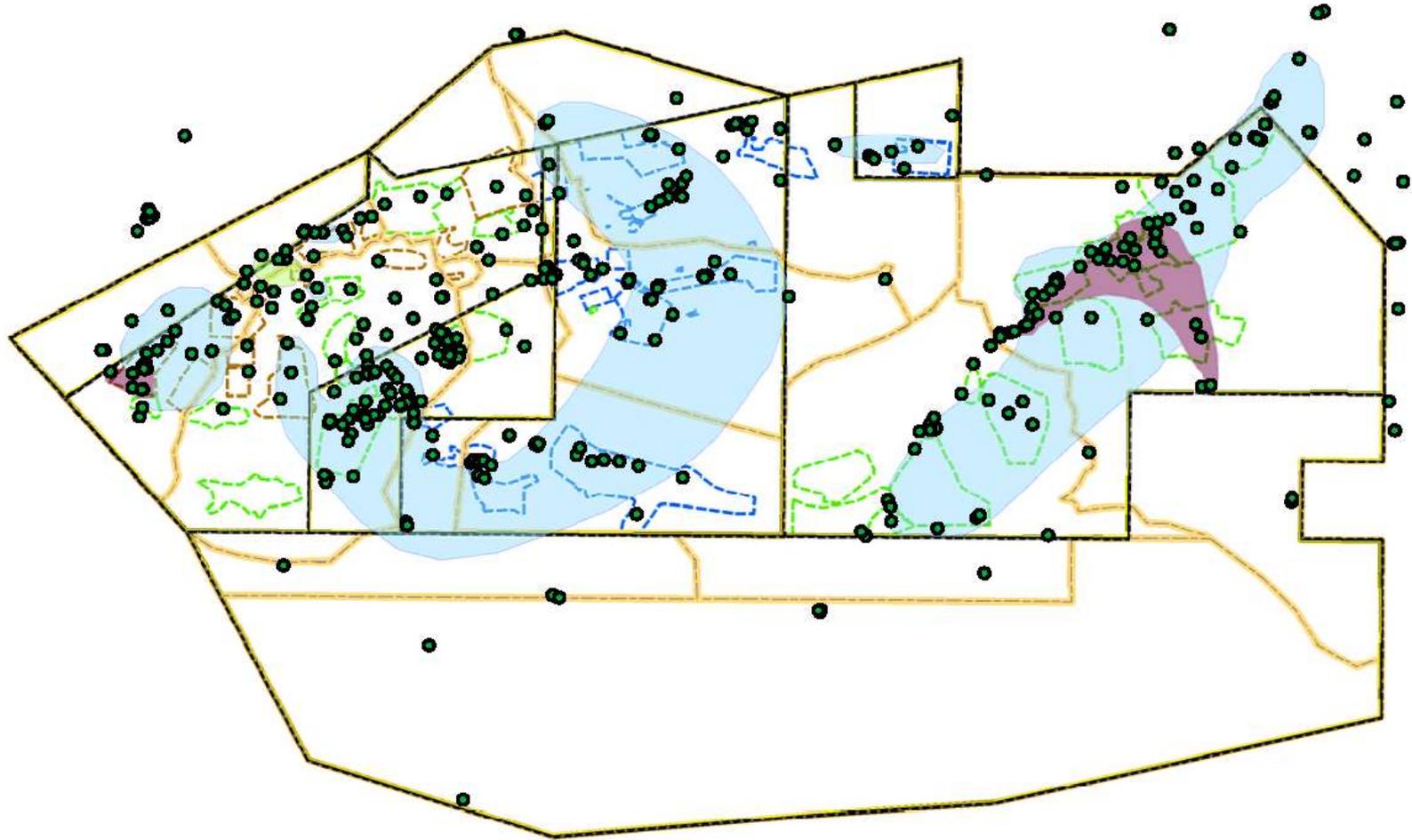
**Nitrate**  
**Chloride**  
**Tritium**  
Dissolved Solvents

# Surficial Media Contaminated Areas



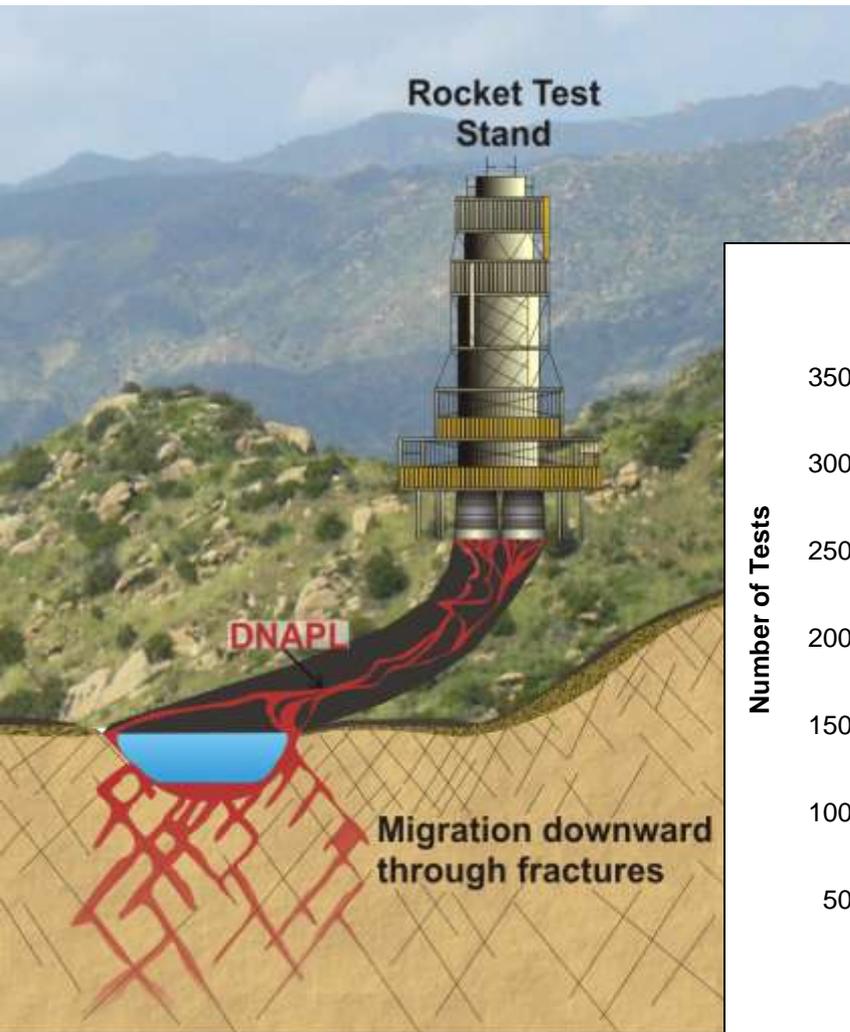
Areas recommended for corrective measures study based on suburban residential land use

# Bedrock Groundwater Monitoring Network

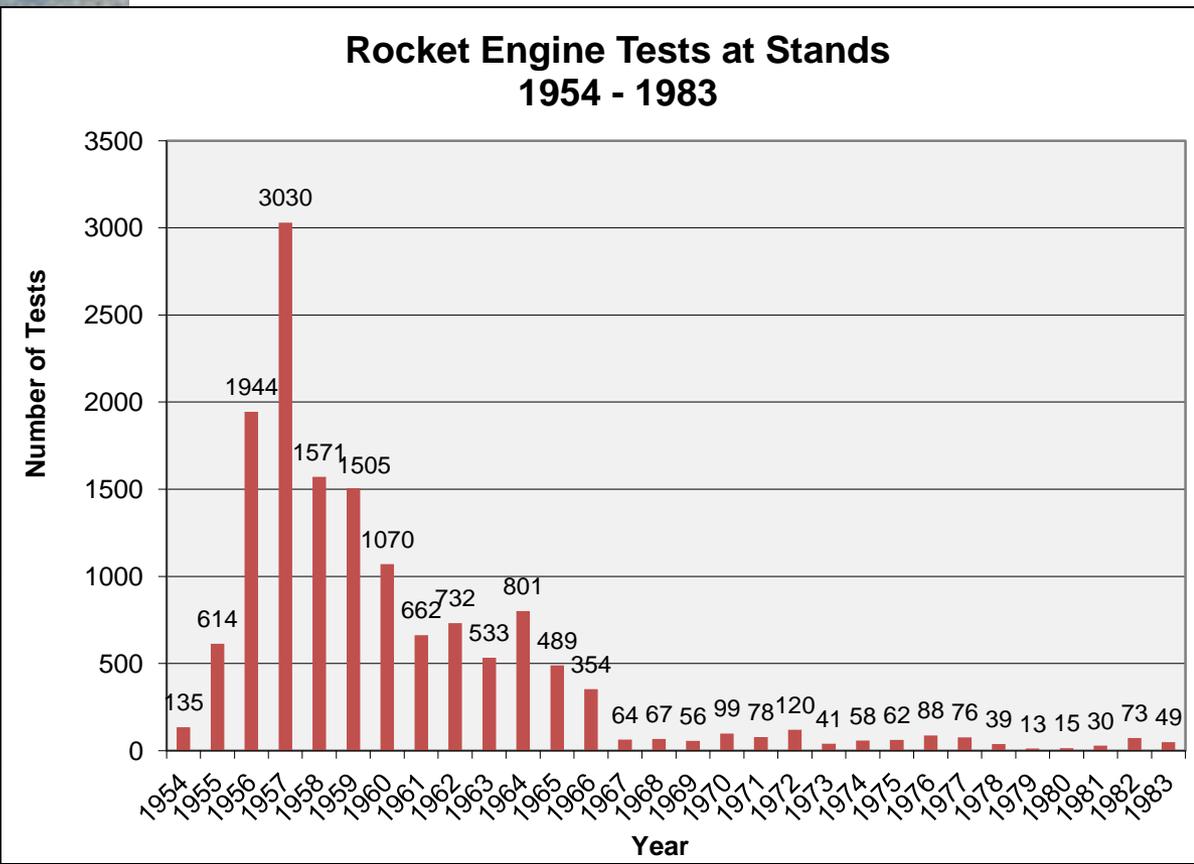


**428 wells used to define extent of groundwater contamination**

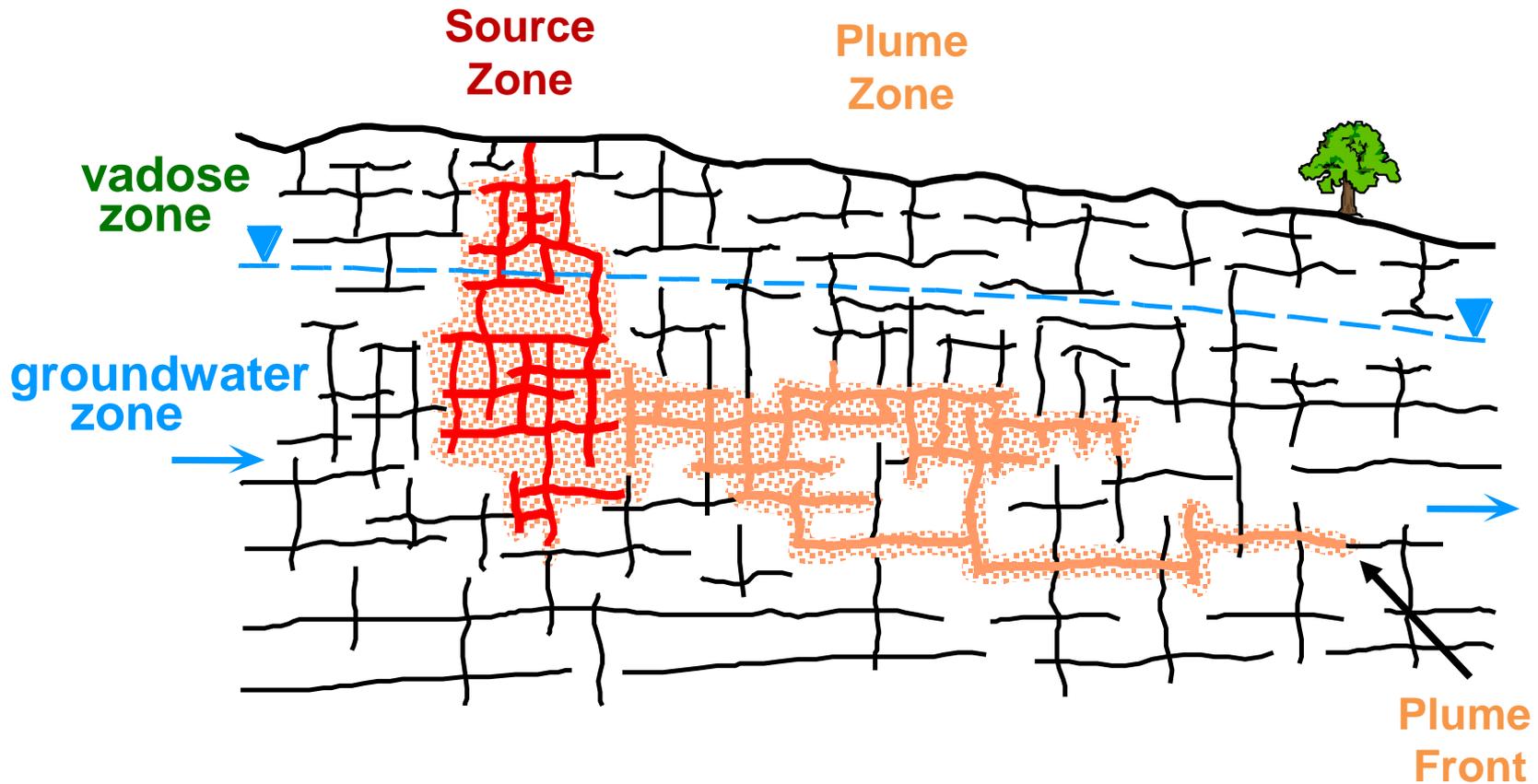
# Much TCE DNAPL Went into the Ground – What Happened to it?



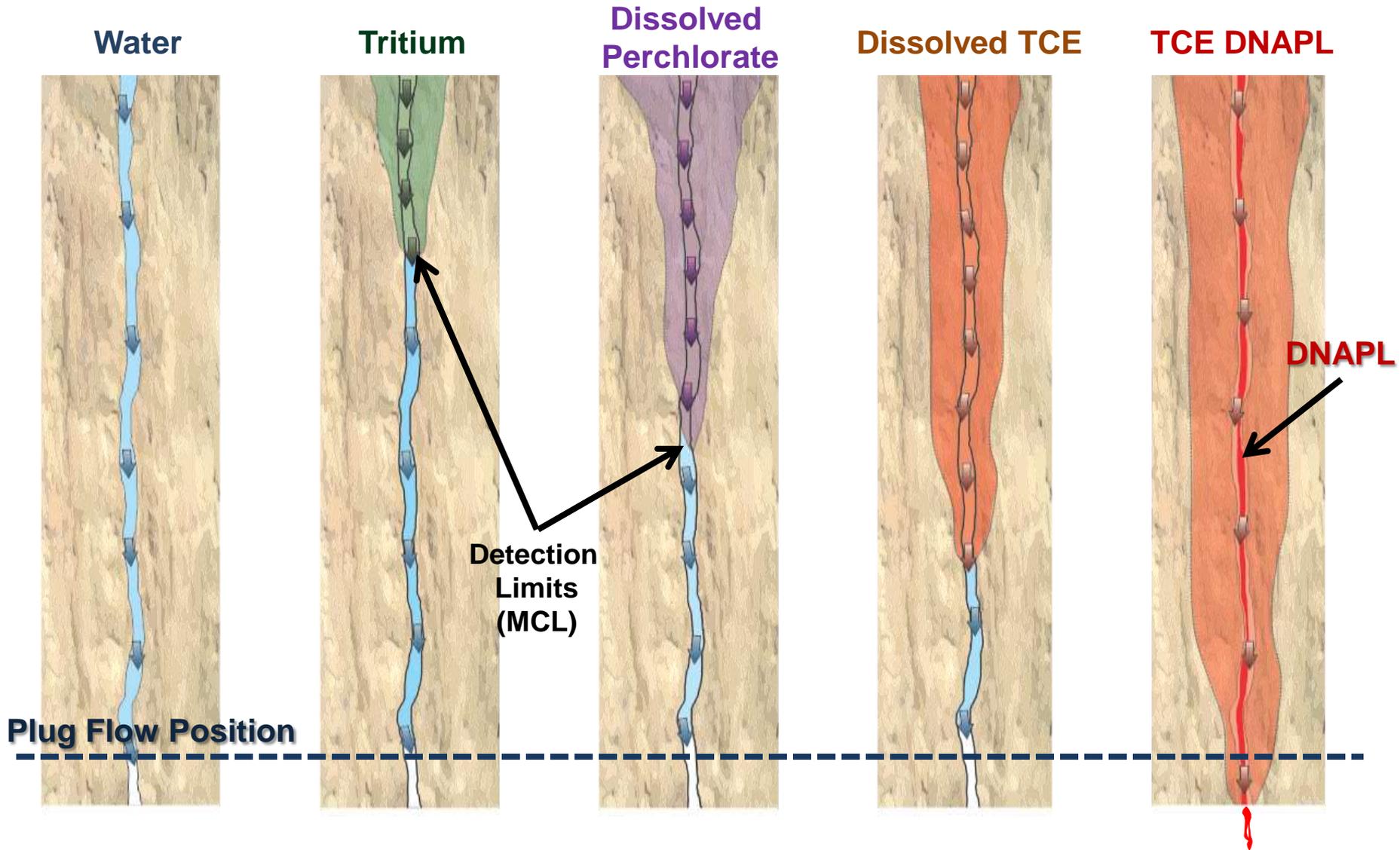
**CH2M Hill Estimate (1993) ~ 500,000 gallons entered subsurface**



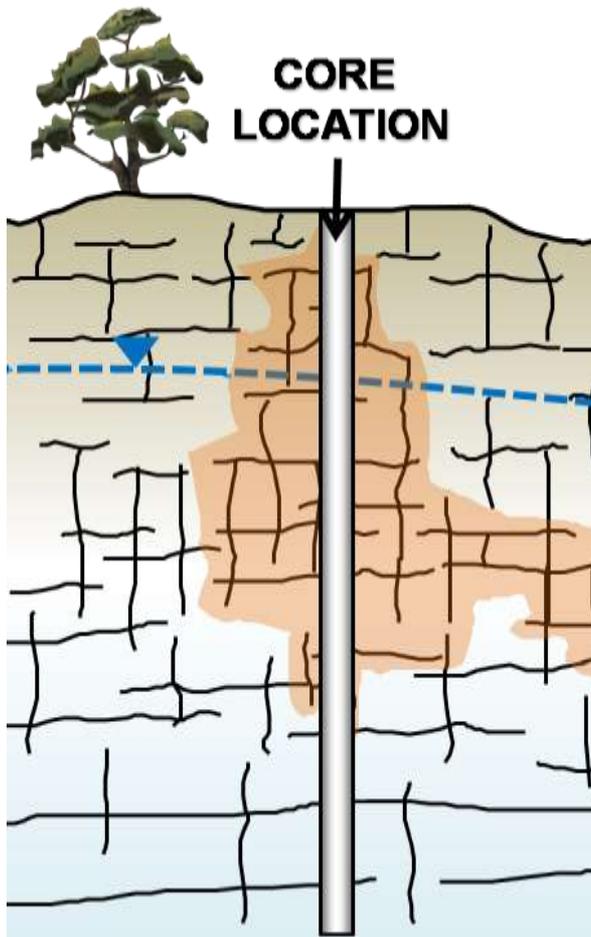
# Nature of Contamination in Fractured Sedimentary Rock



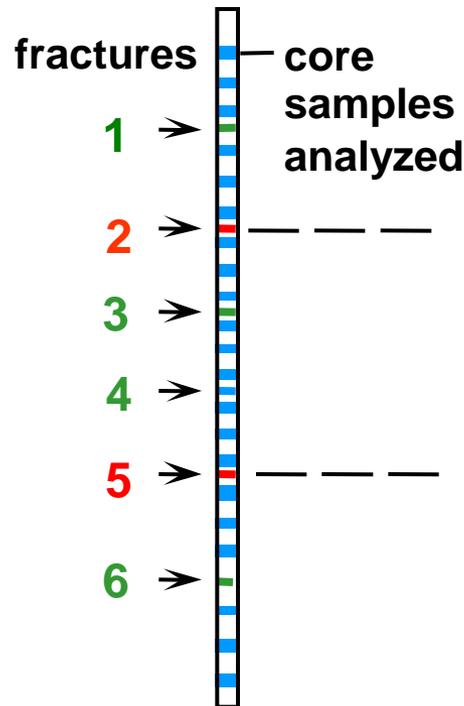
# TCE is Most Mobile Contaminant Due to DNAPL



# Rock Core Sampling to Find Contaminants

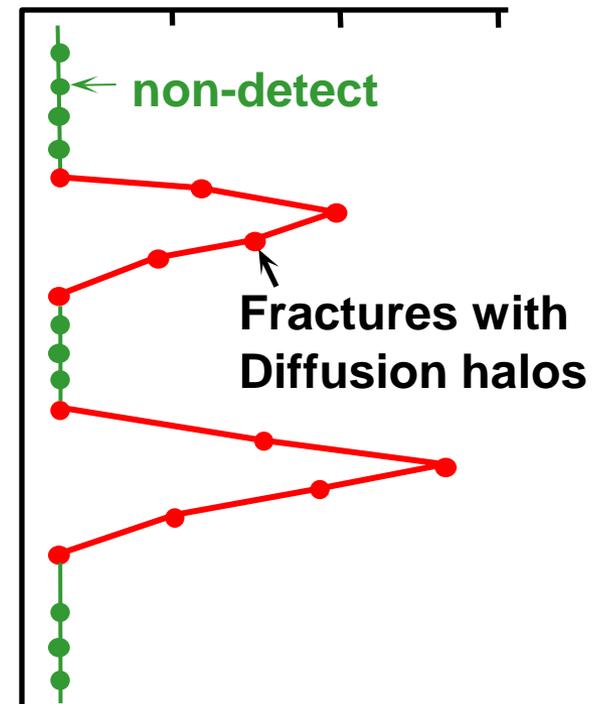


## ROCK CORE



## TCE mg/L

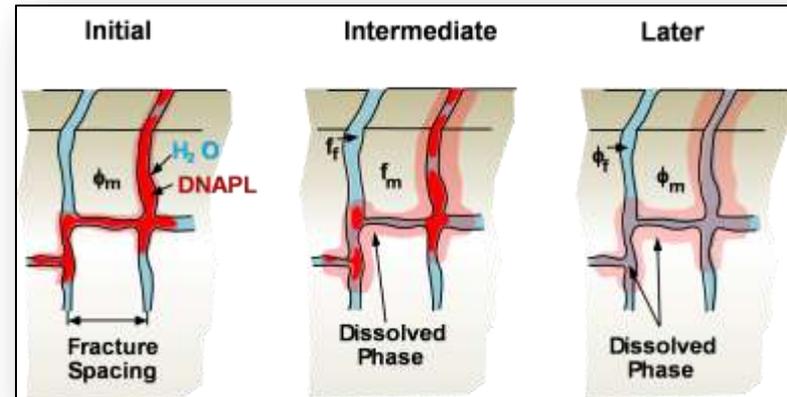
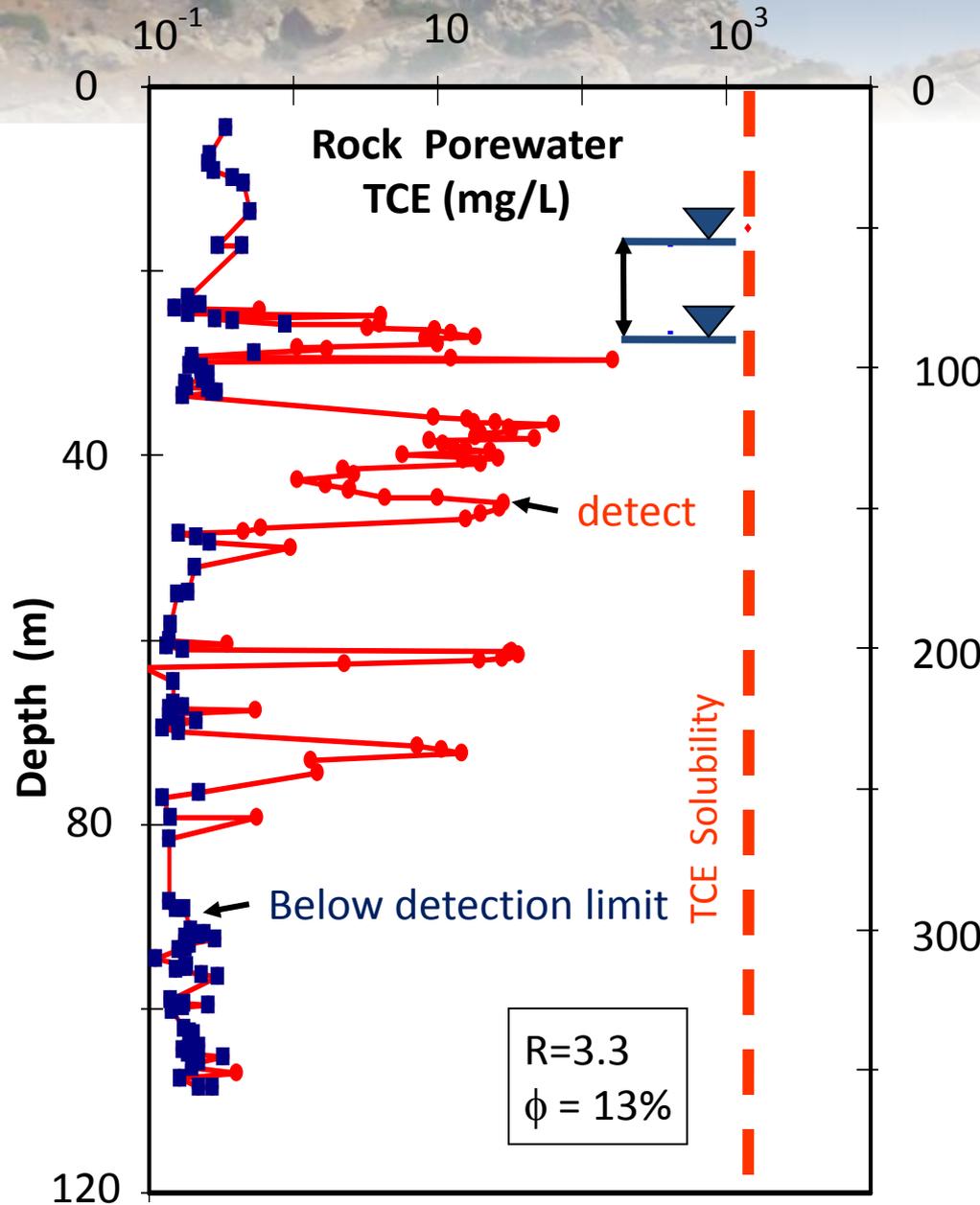
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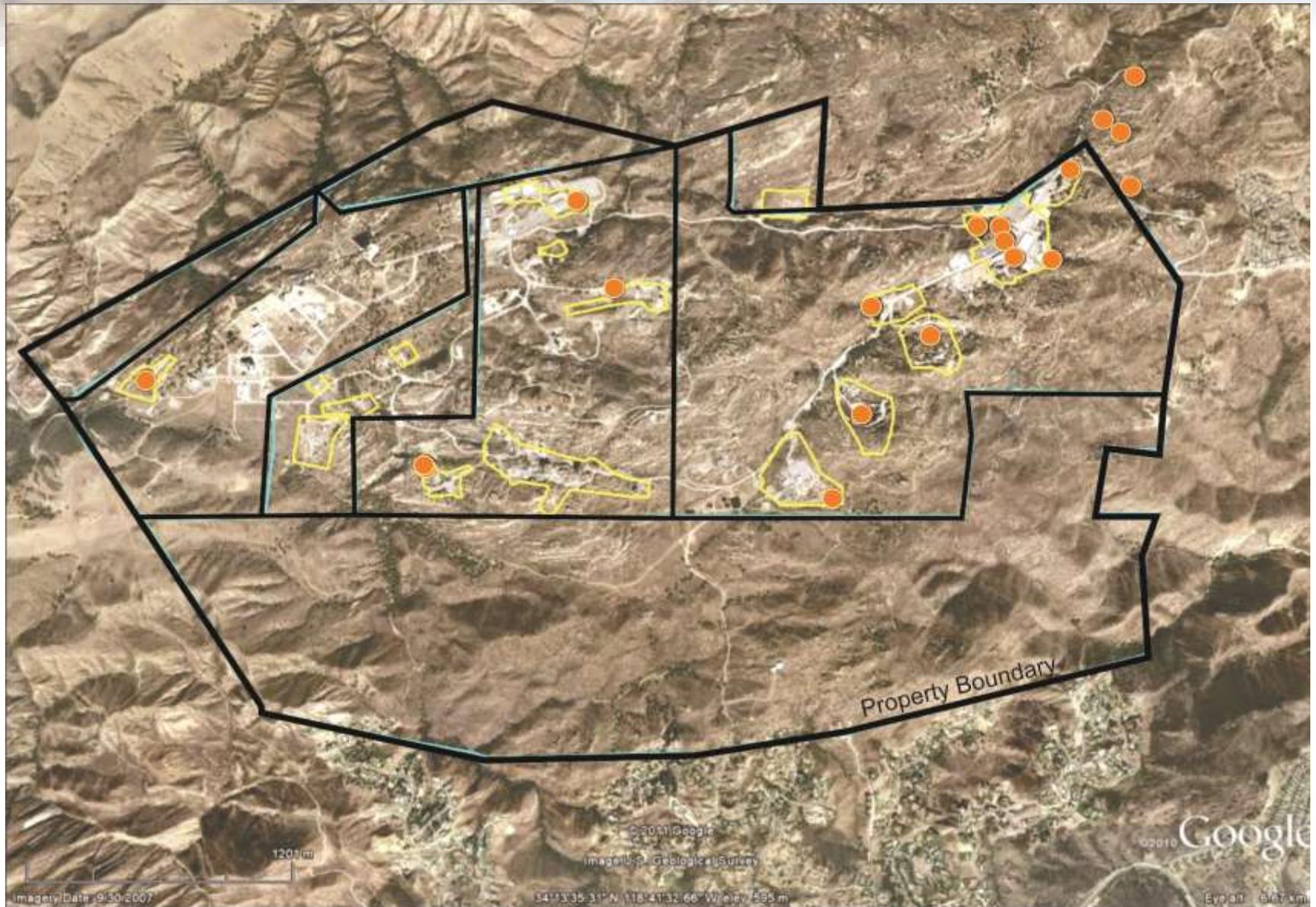
An aerial photograph showing a large-scale rock core drilling operation in a rugged, rocky canyon. A tall, yellow lattice-structured drilling rig is the central focus, mounted on a white truck. Several workers in safety gear are positioned around the rig. In the foreground, a green truck is parked on a dirt path, with a worker standing on a large rock nearby. The background features steep, rocky slopes with sparse green vegetation and a long, elevated metal structure, possibly a conveyor or walkway, spanning across the canyon. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a clear day.

Rock Core Drilling  
at C-2, Canyon  
Test Stand

# Rock Porewater TCE Profile RD-35B

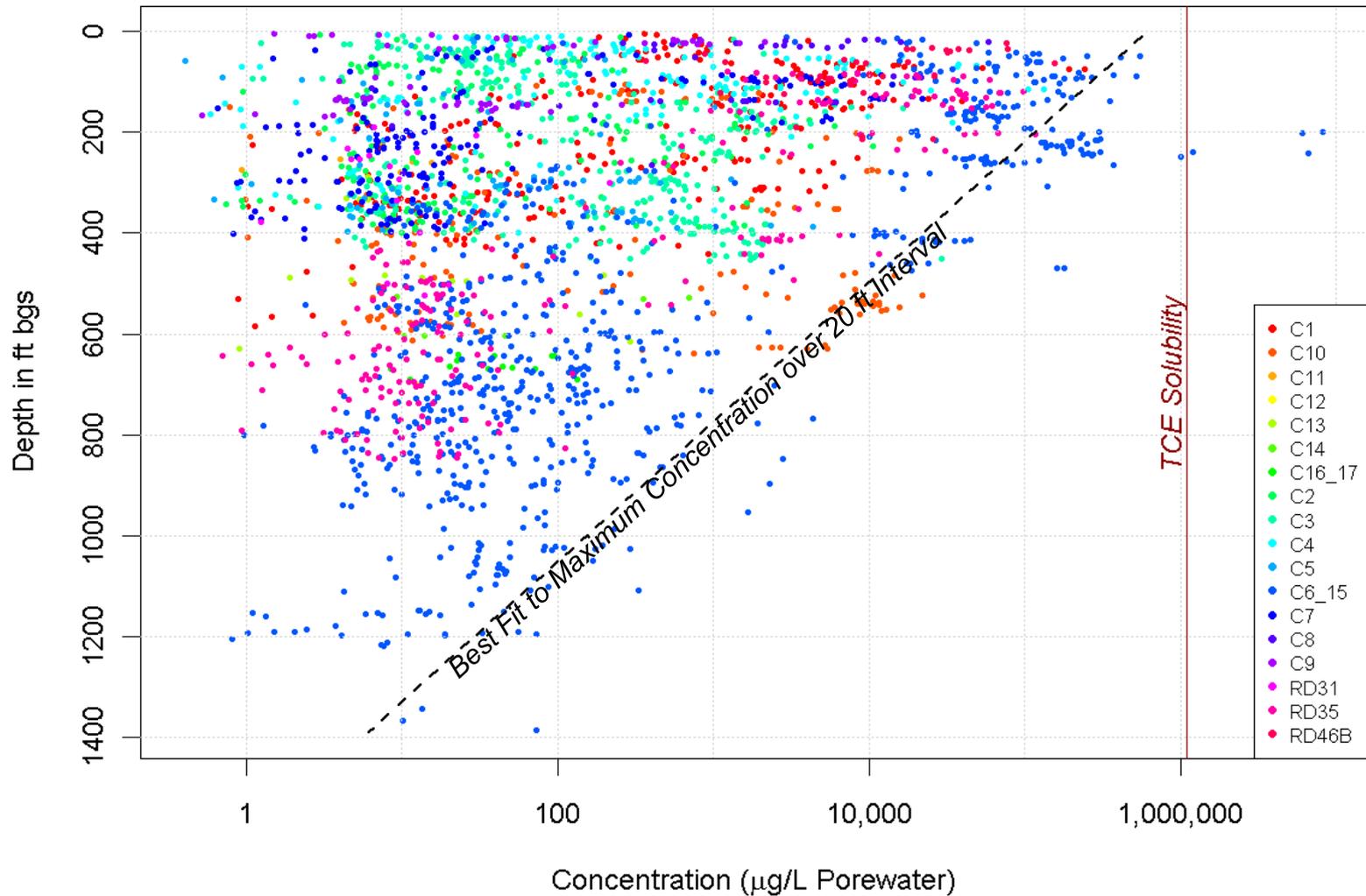


# Total of 20 Coreholes at 18 Locations



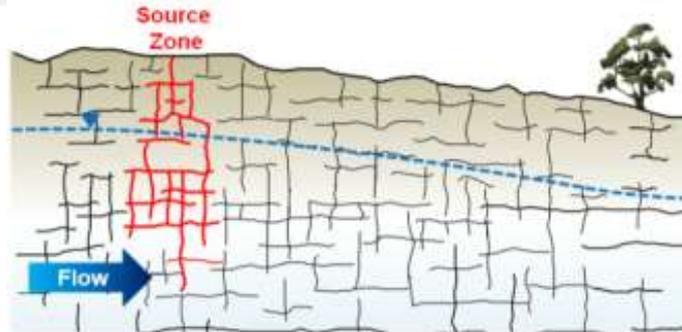
# TCE Concentrations Decline with Depth

> 7,000 Rock Core Samples in 20 Core Holes



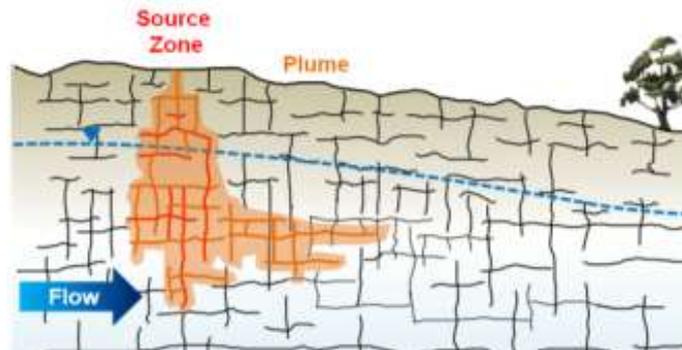
# Source Zone / Plume Evolution Conceptual Model

Early  
Time



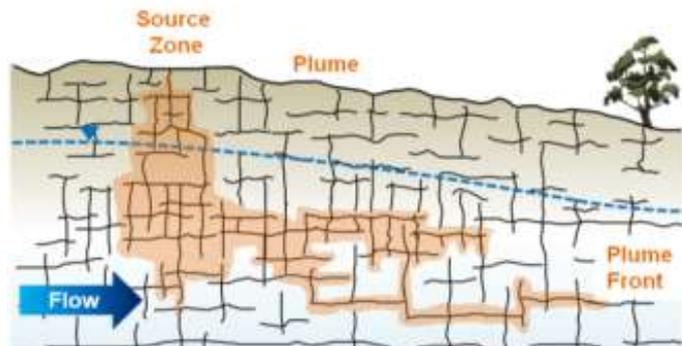
DNAPL reaches  
stationary phase  
in fractures

Intermediate  
Time



Much DNAPL  
disappeared, diffusion  
into matrix in source  
and plume zones

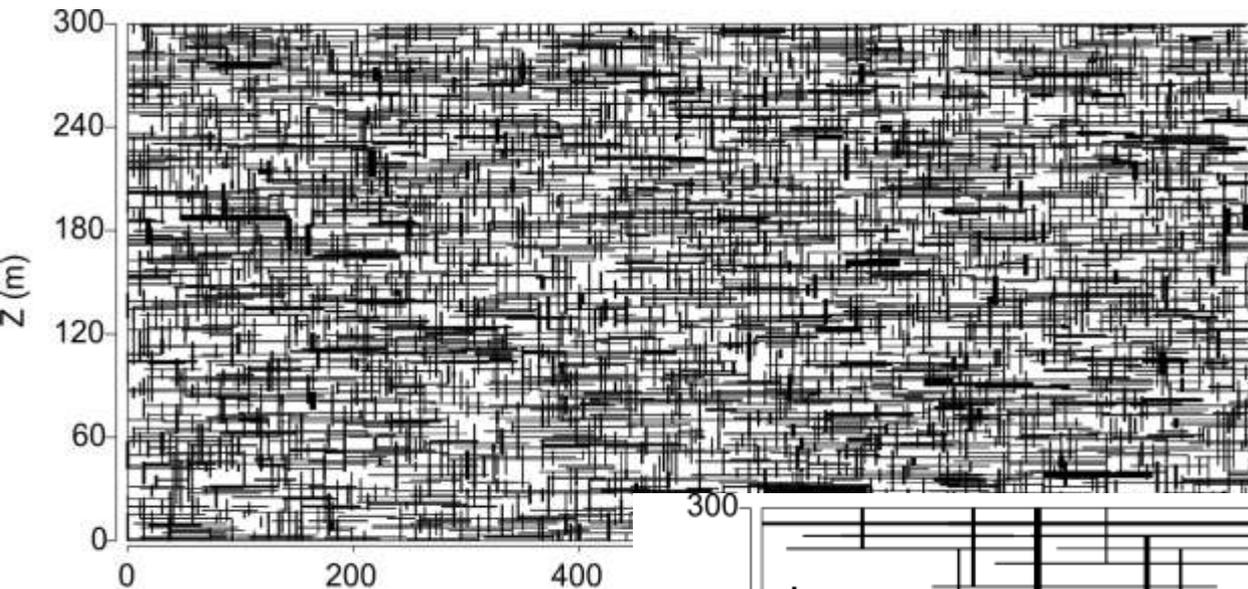
Late  
Time



No DNAPL remains and  
most mass occurs in the  
matrix, diffusion and  
other processes cause  
strong plume attenuation

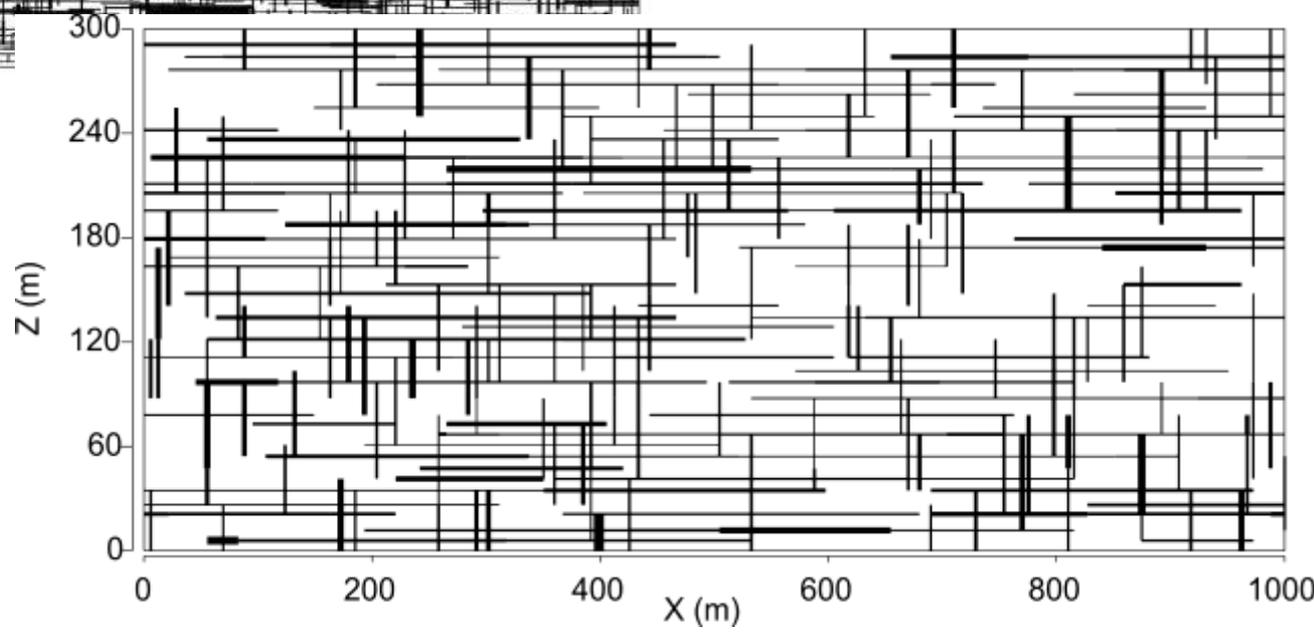


# Key Issues: How many active fractures? What is their Interconnectivity?

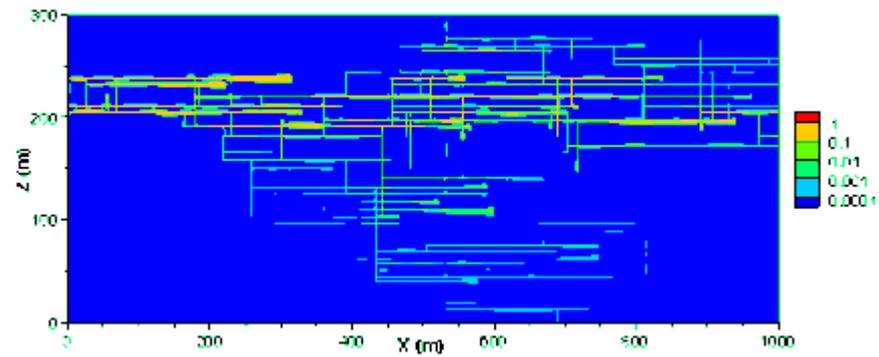
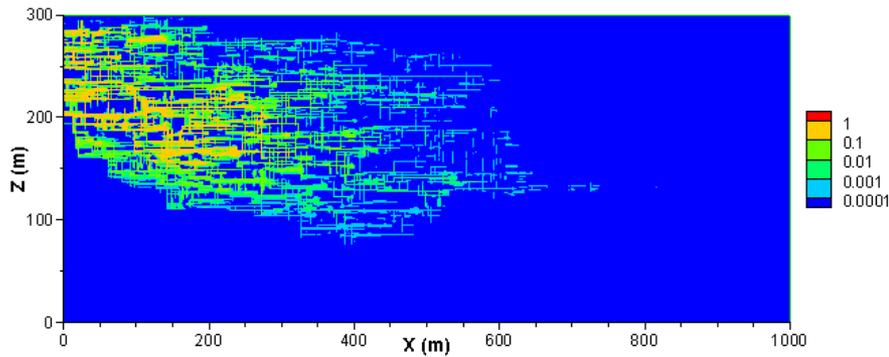
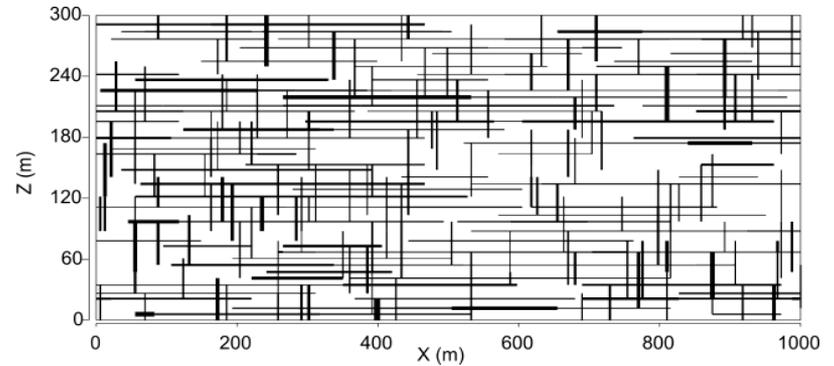
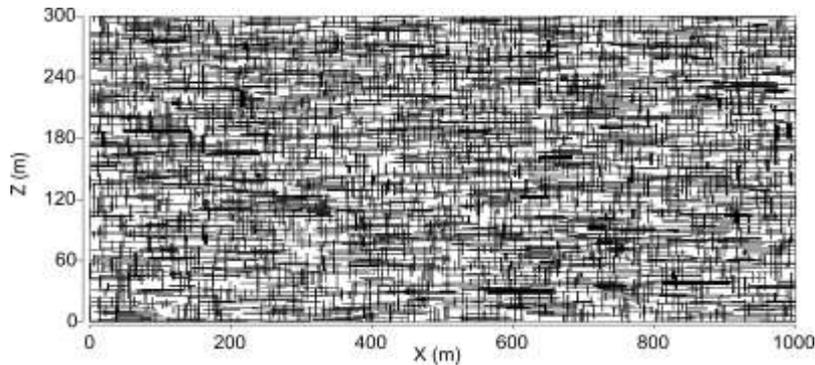


**Dense  
Network**

**Sparse  
Network**

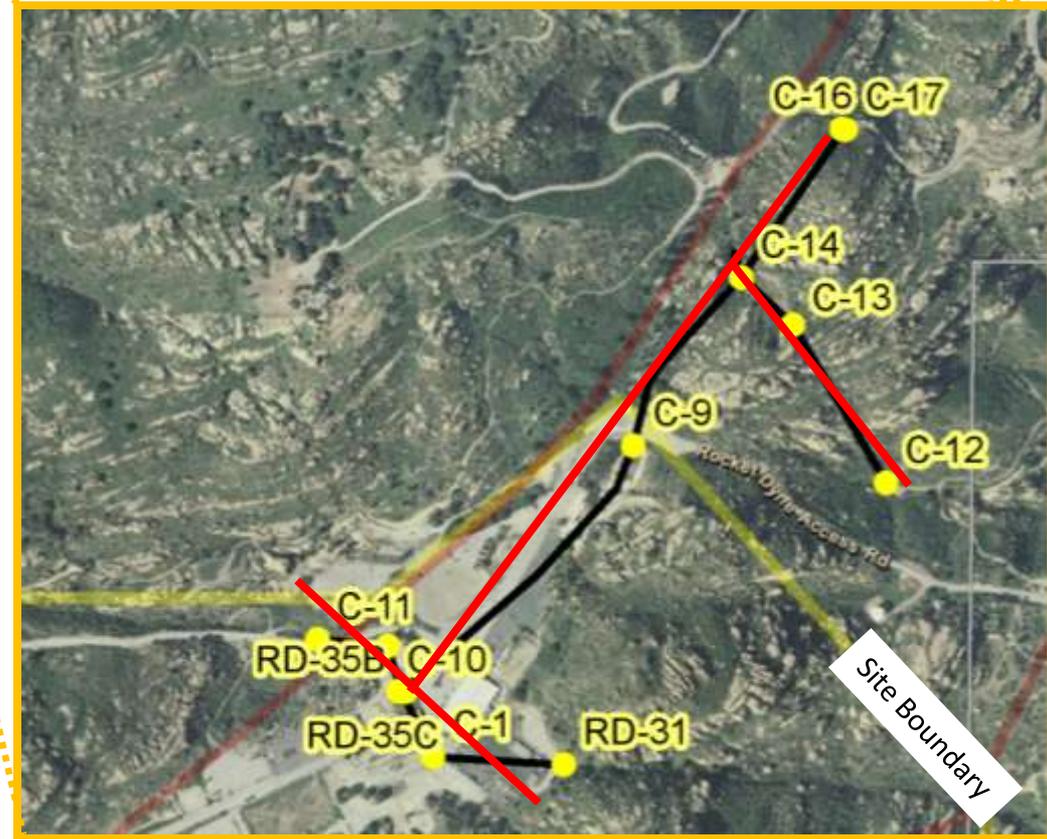
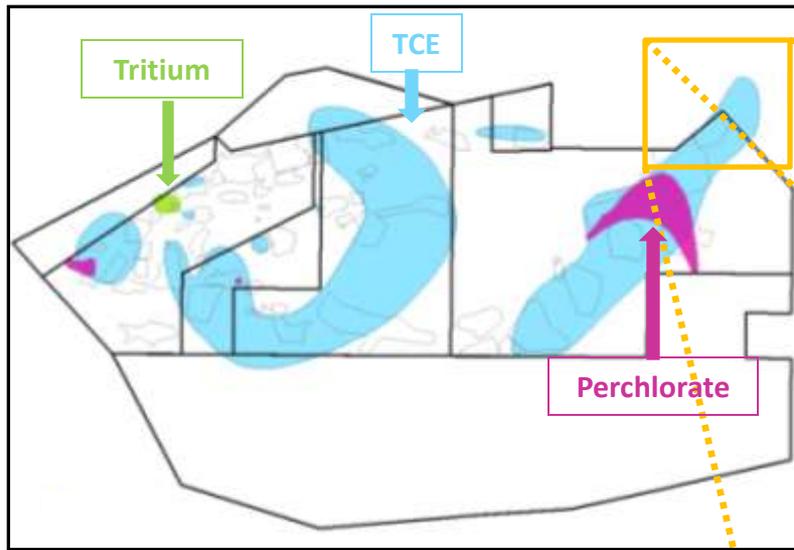


# Interplay Between Matrix and Fractures Controls Plume Behavior

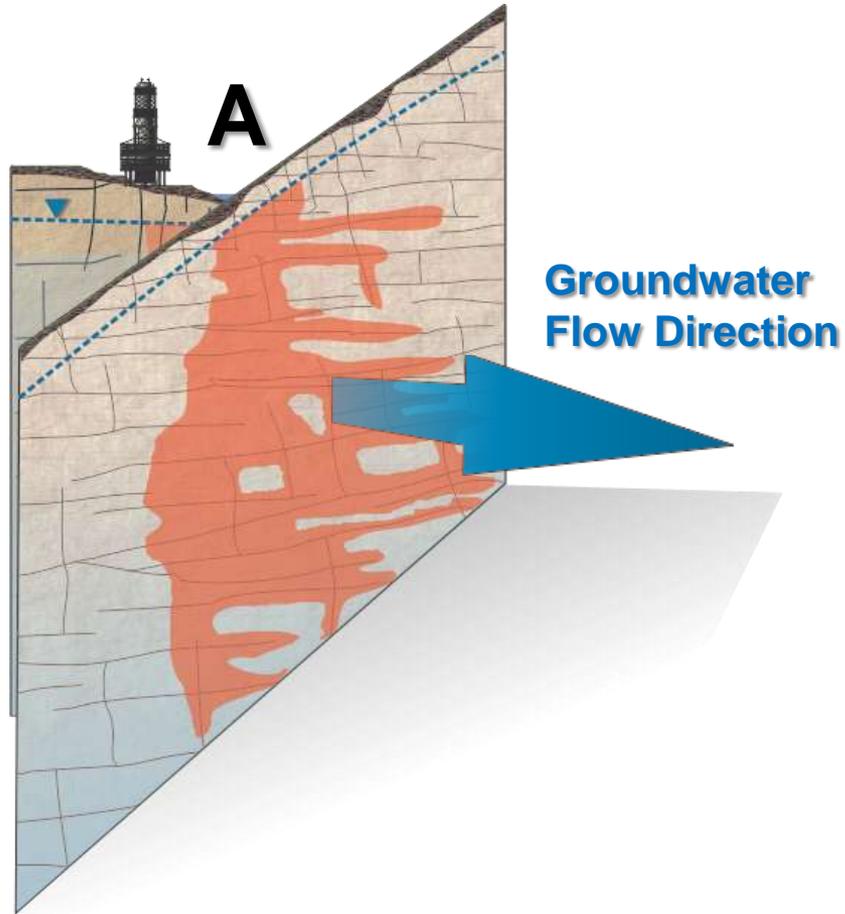


Same bulk K but dissimilar plumes

# Focused Look at Northeast Plume

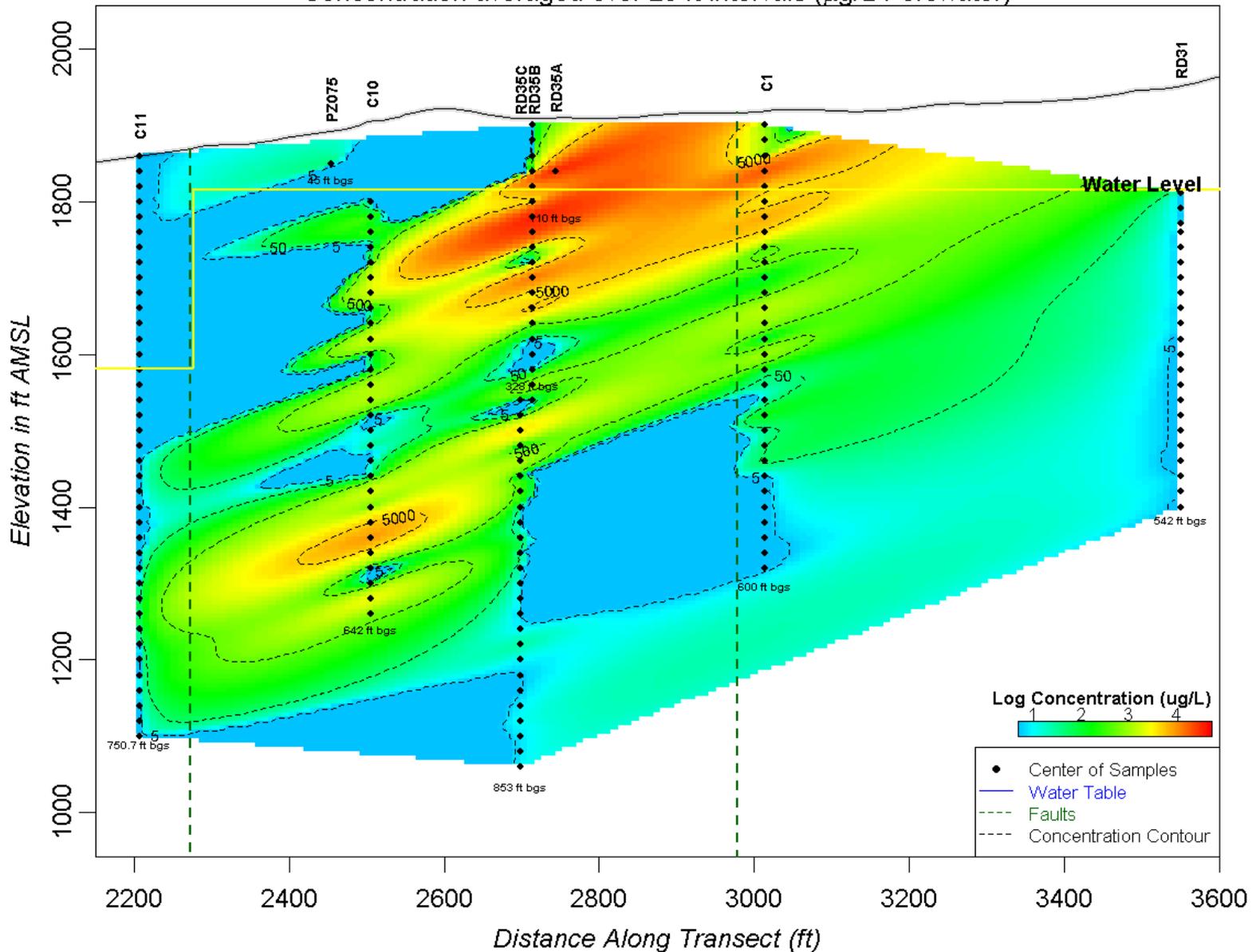


# Source Zone Transect



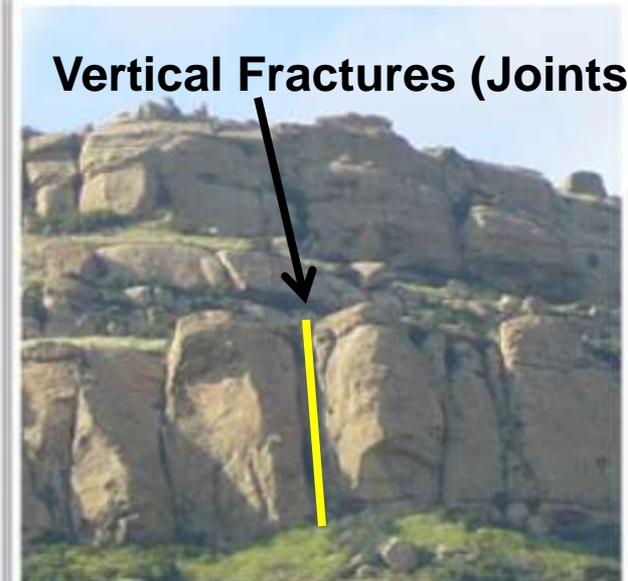
# Total Equivalent Porewater Concentration along Source Zone Transect

Concentration averaged over 20 ft intervals ( $\mu\text{g/L}$  Porewater)

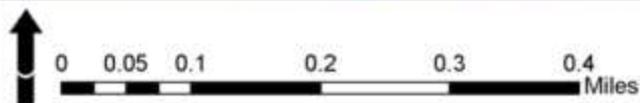
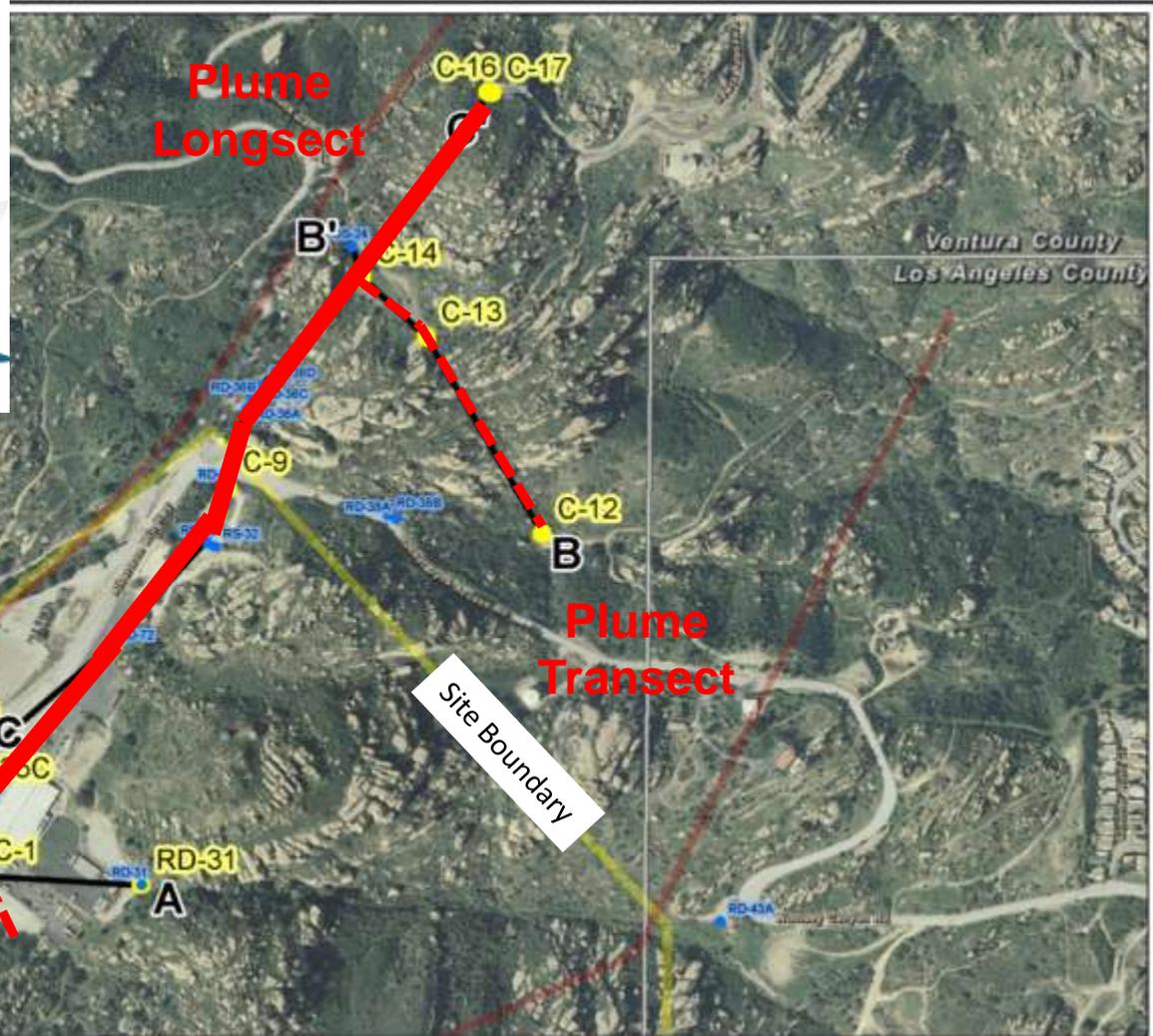
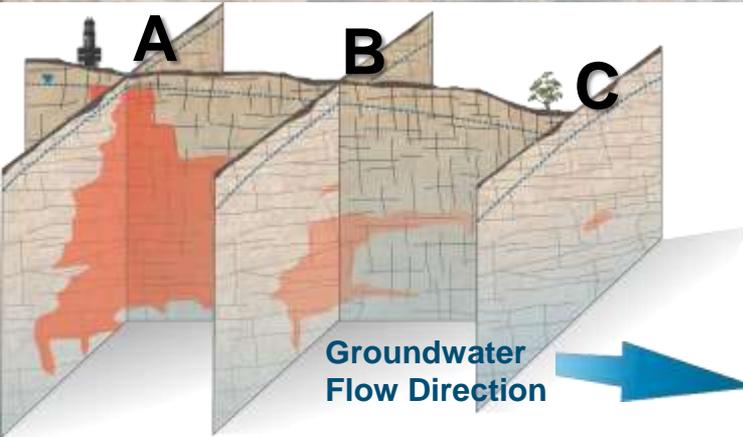


\*Ordinary kriging with anisotropy ratio = 5, anisotropy angle = 20 degrees

# Deep Marine Turbidite Deposit: Interbedded Sandstone and Shale



# Northeast Plume Longsect



## Legend

- Faults
- Monitoring Wells
- Deep Cored
- Shallow Cored
- Cross-Sections
- Site Polyline

SSFL Rock Core VOC  
NE Plume Coreholes

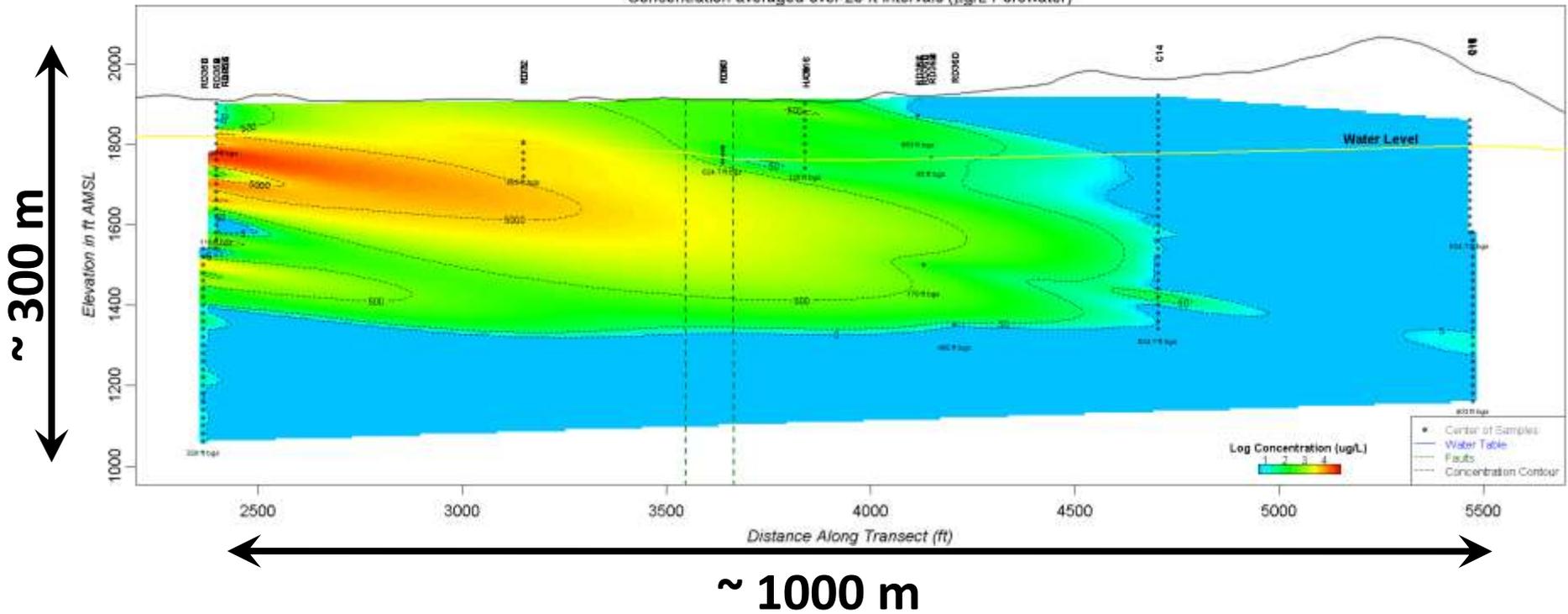
# TCE Distribution along NE Plume Longsect

(estimated porewater concentrations from rock core VOC subsampling averaged over 6 m intervals)

**TCE Migration @ 60 yr since initial releases**

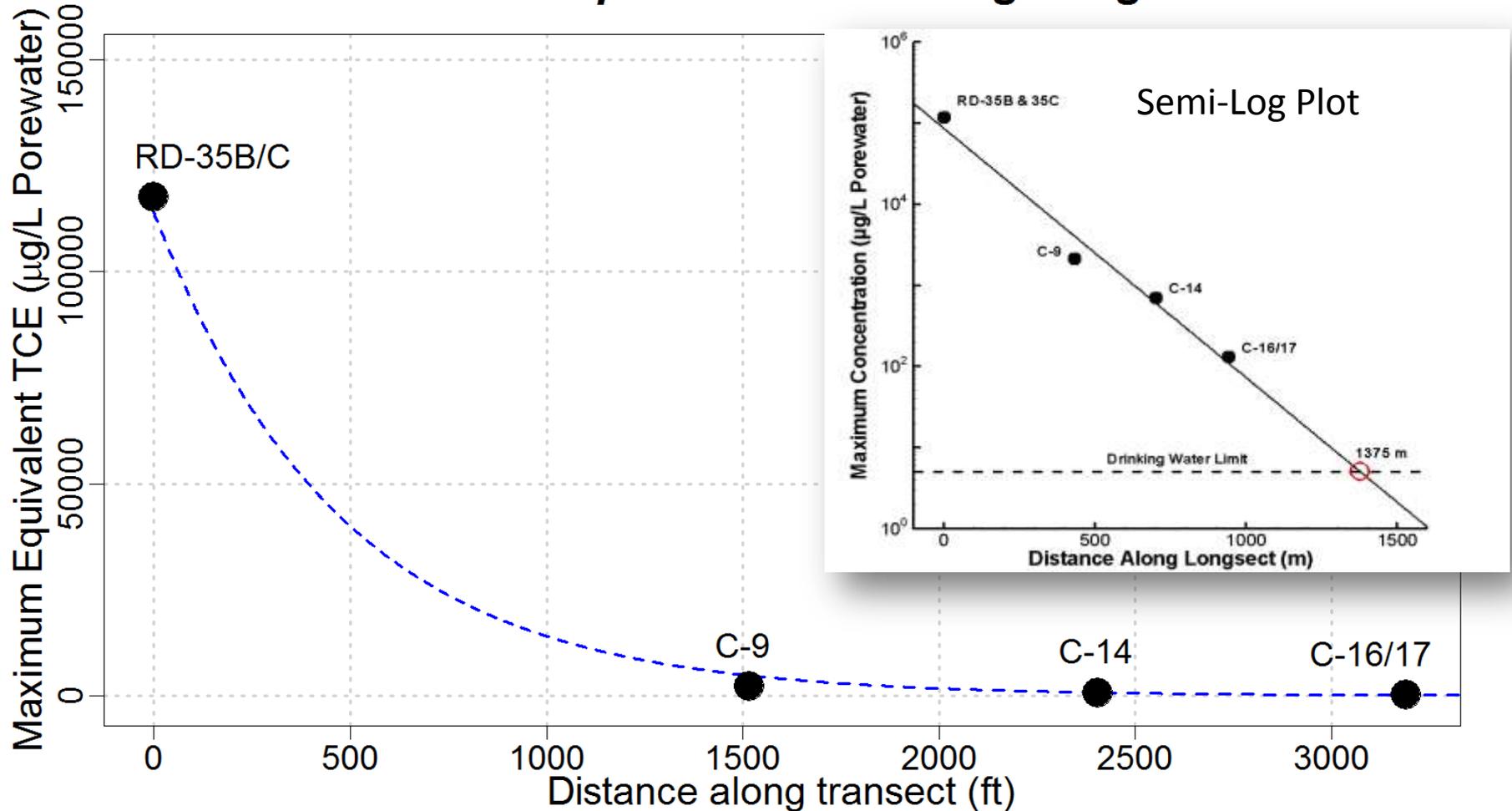
Total Equivalent Porewater Concentration along Plume Longsect

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# Concentrations Decline Rapidly with Distance from Source

## Maximum Equivalent TCE along Longsect



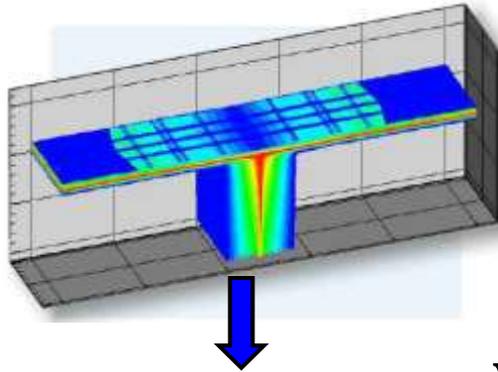


Plume concentrations decline rapidly with distance in the direction of groundwater flow

# Commercially Available DFN Models



*FRAC3DVS is a 3D finite element model for steady-state/transient, variably-saturated flow and advective-dispersive solute transport in porous or discretely-fractured porous media*



**HydroGeoSphere**

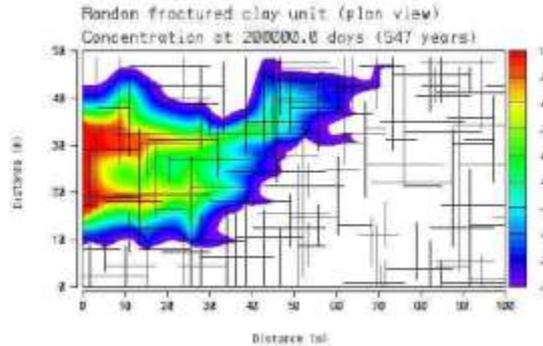


**HydroGeoSphere**  
A Three-dimensional Numerical Model Describing Fully-integrated Subsurface and Surface Flow and Solute Transport

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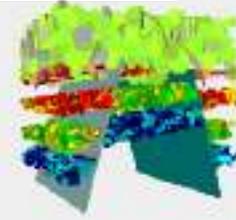
*FRACTRAN is a 2D finite element model for simulating steady-state groundwater flow and time-variant contaminant transport in discretely-fractured, fully-saturated porous media*



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**Software**

FRACMAN® is the premier software for analysis and modeling of heterogeneous and fractured rock masses.

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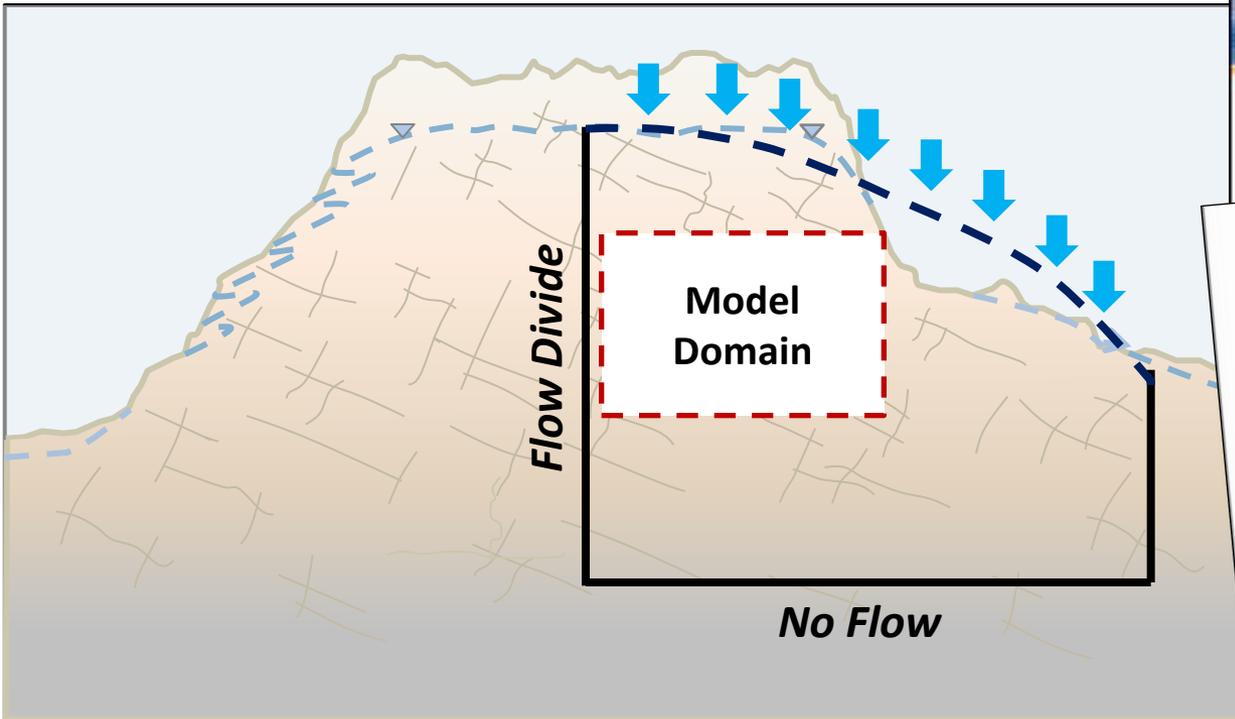
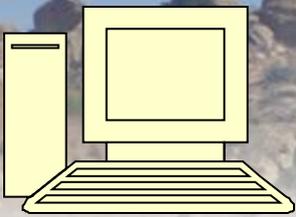


**FEFLOW®**

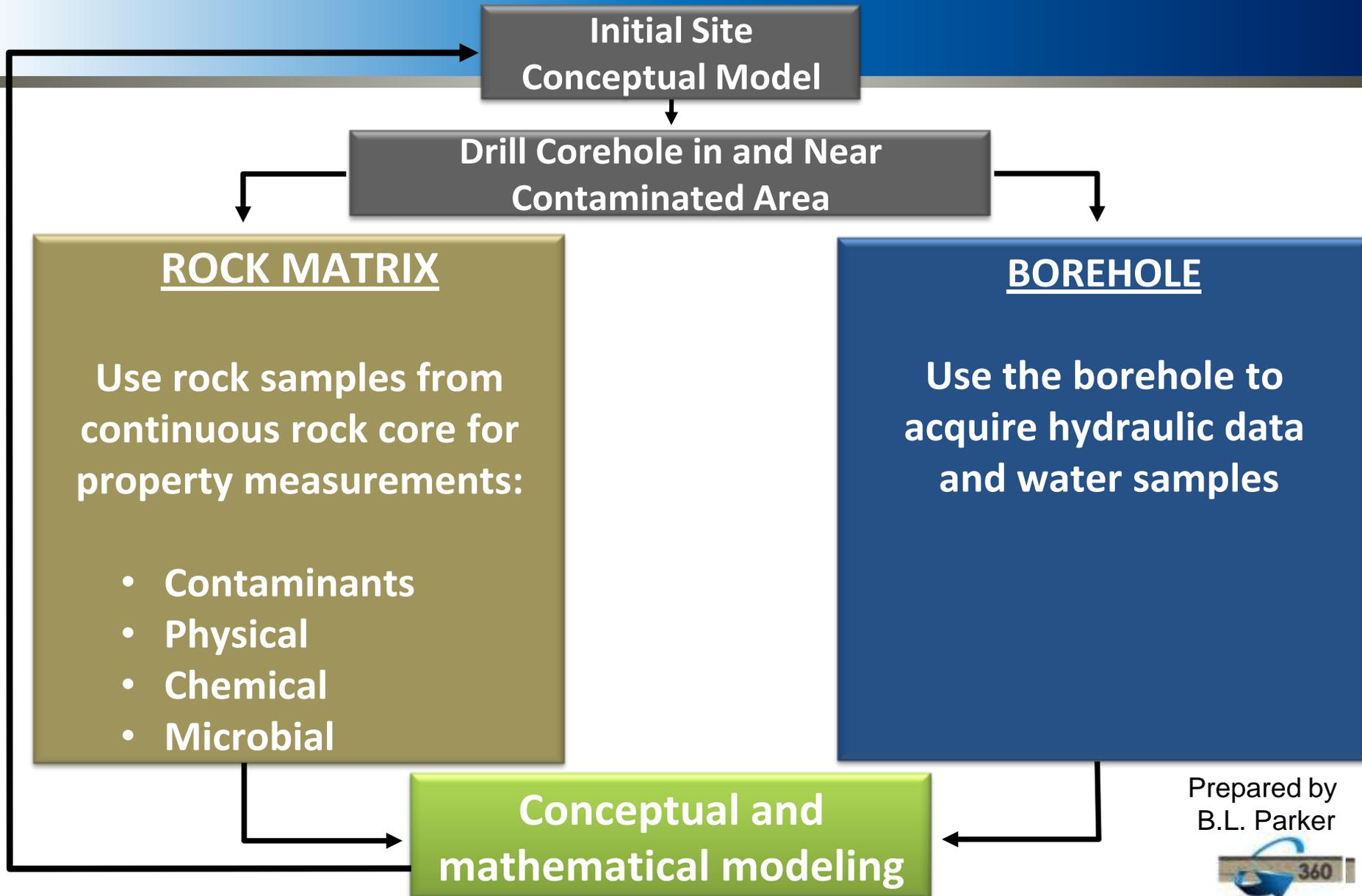
Advanced 3D Finite Element Groundwater Flow, Heat & Contaminant Transport Modeling!



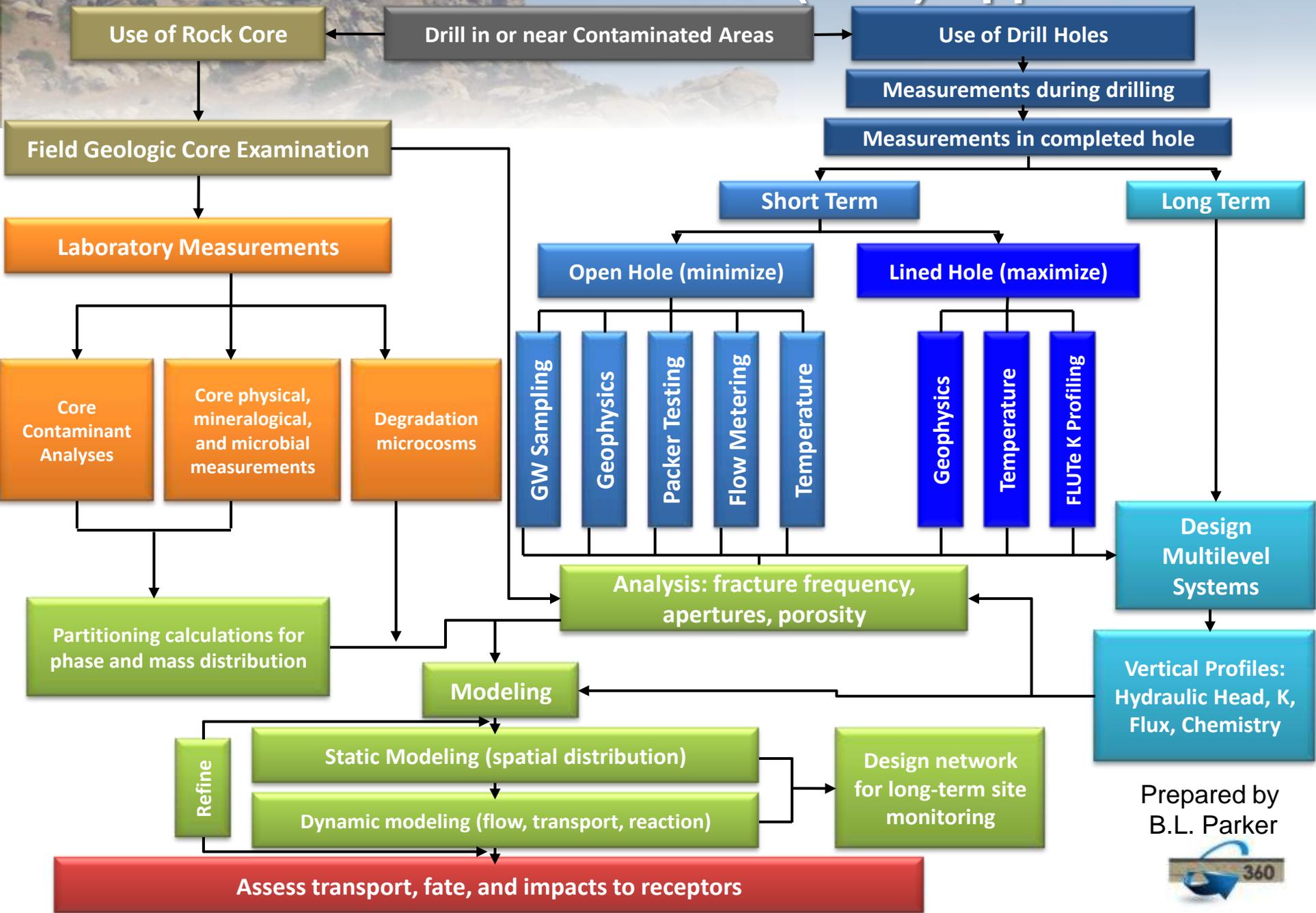
# Simulate Plume Using DFN Numerical Model



# Discrete Fracture Network (DFN) Approach Characterization of Contaminated Bedrock



# Discrete Fracture Network (DFN) Approach



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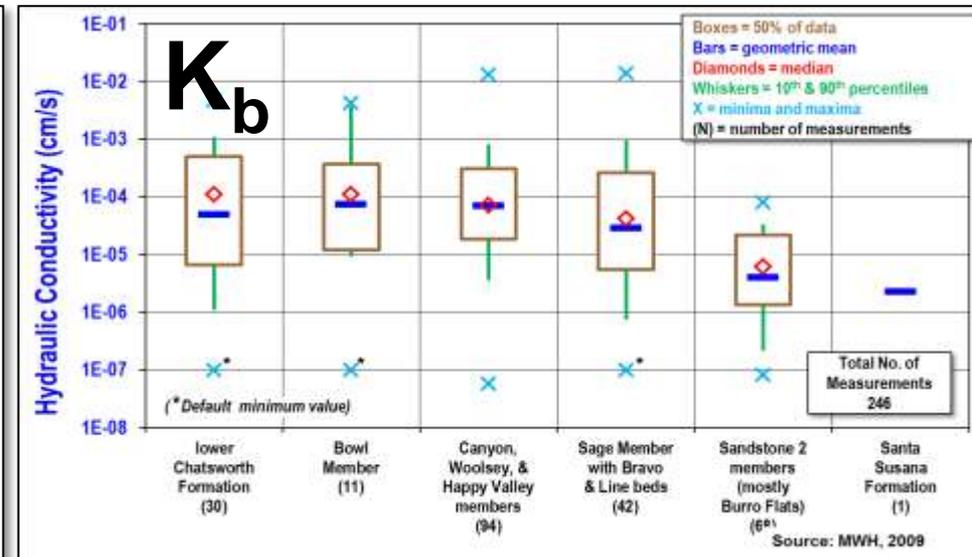
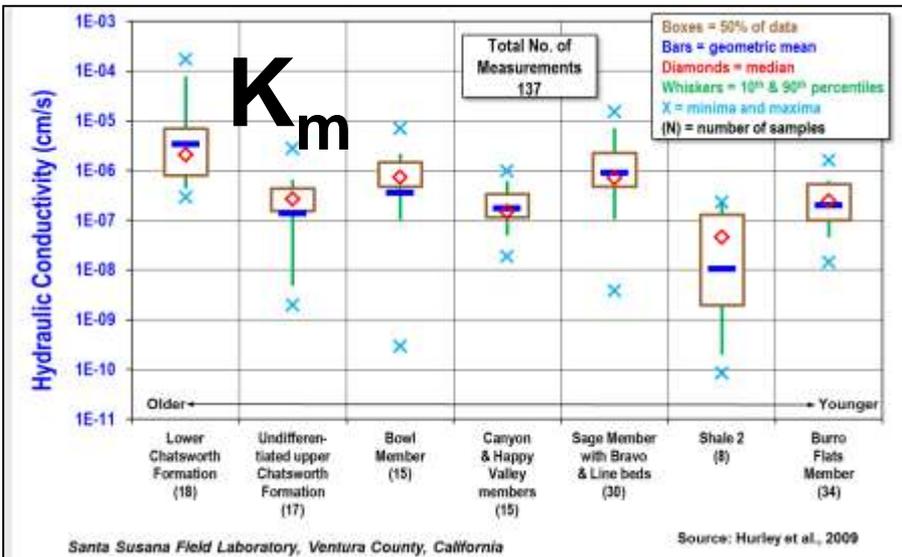
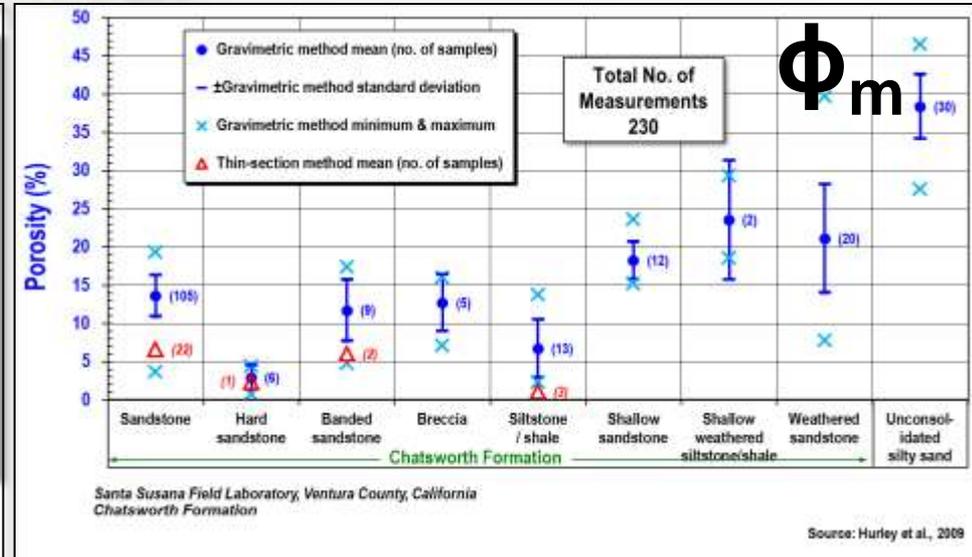
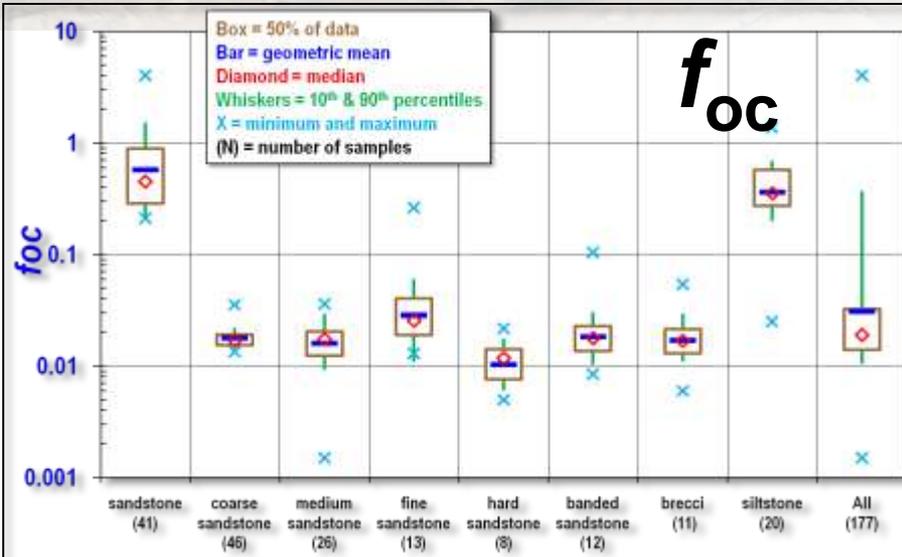


# Overview of DFN Methods

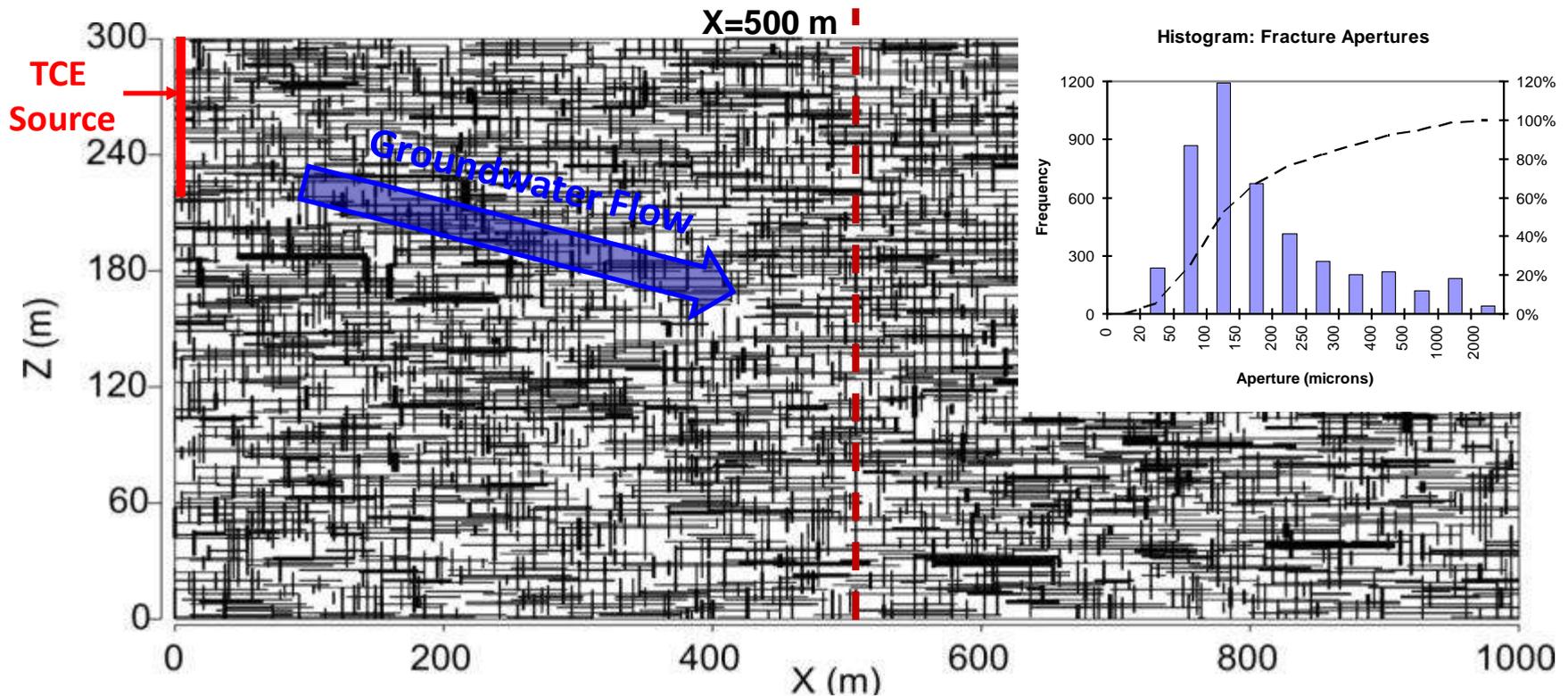
- Rock Core Chemical Analyses
- Improved Borehole Geophysics
- Impermeable Flexible Liner (FLUTE™)
- High Resolution Temperature Logging
- Improved Hydraulic Tests Using Straddle Packers
- High Resolution Multilevel Monitoring Systems

*Multiple  
Methods  
Applied in  
Boreholes*

# Site-Derived Parameters



# FRACTRAN Domain: Vertical Cross-Section Tailored to Conditions along Plume Longsect

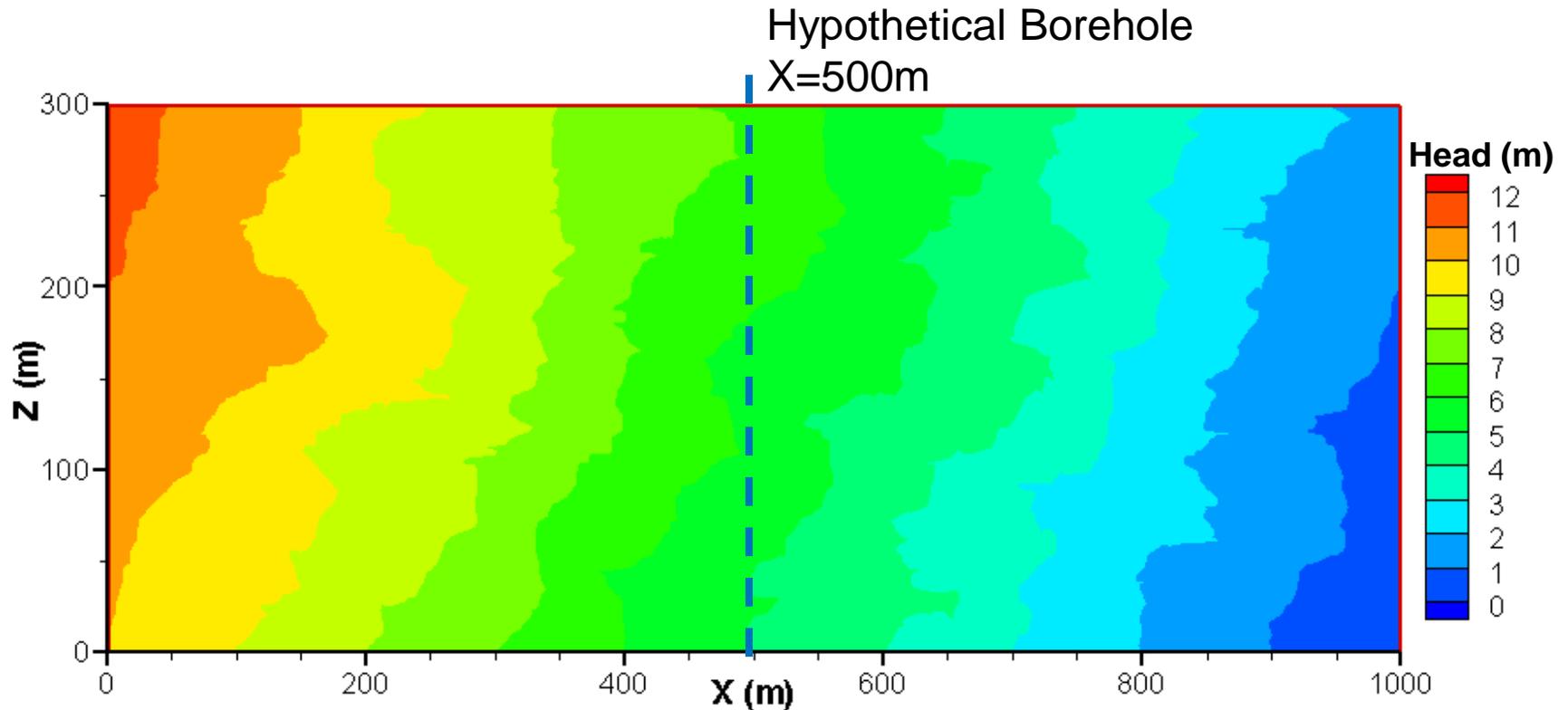


Fracture Statistics	Horizontal	Vertical
Mean aperture (microns)	100	100
Length range (m)	20 - 100	5 - 20
Fracture density (fracs/m <sup>2</sup> )	0.007	0.010
Average fracture spacing (m)	~3	~10

$$\phi_f = 5 \times 10^{-5}$$

**Darcy Flux Constraint**

# Simulated Hydraulic Head Distribution



Average Hydraulic Gradients:

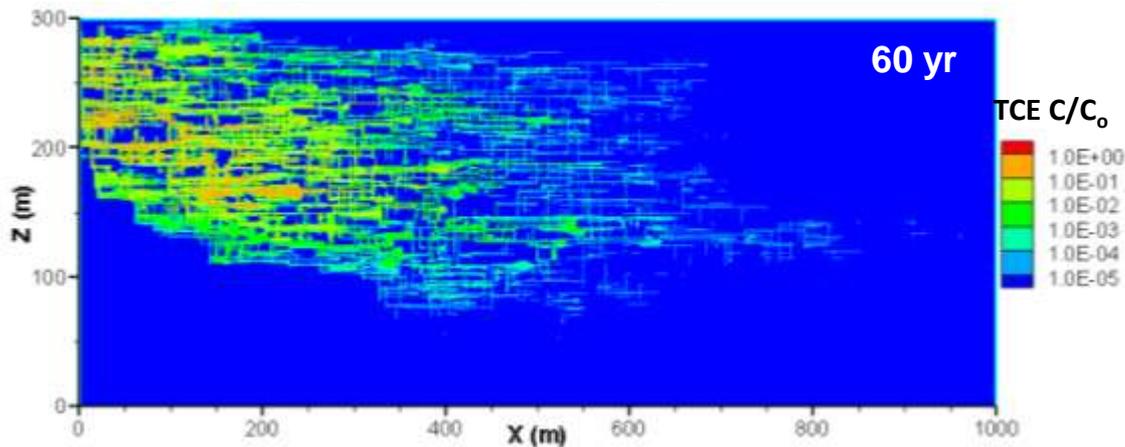


Average GW Velocity in Fracture Network:

$$\bar{v}_f = \frac{K_b i}{\phi_f} \sim 2500 \text{ m / yr}$$

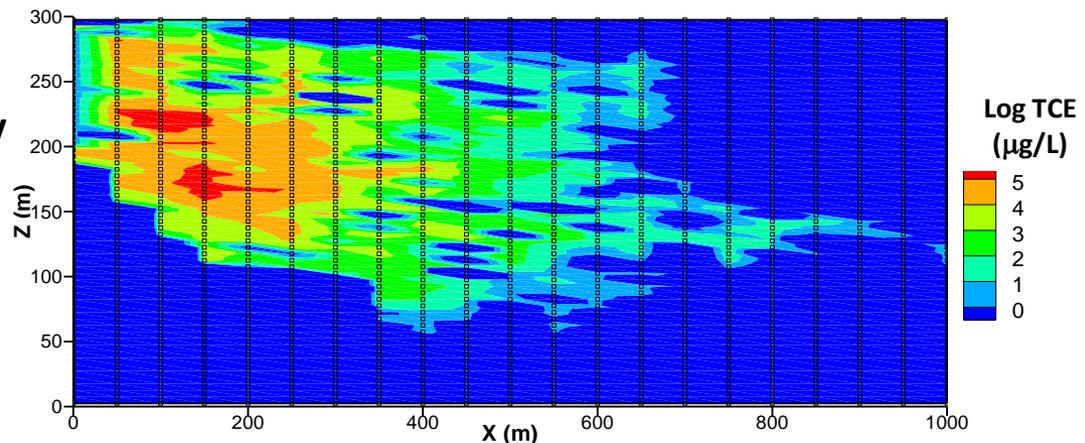
# FRACTRAN Contaminant Plume Averaged over 5 m Intervals

Original (point data) – 60 years

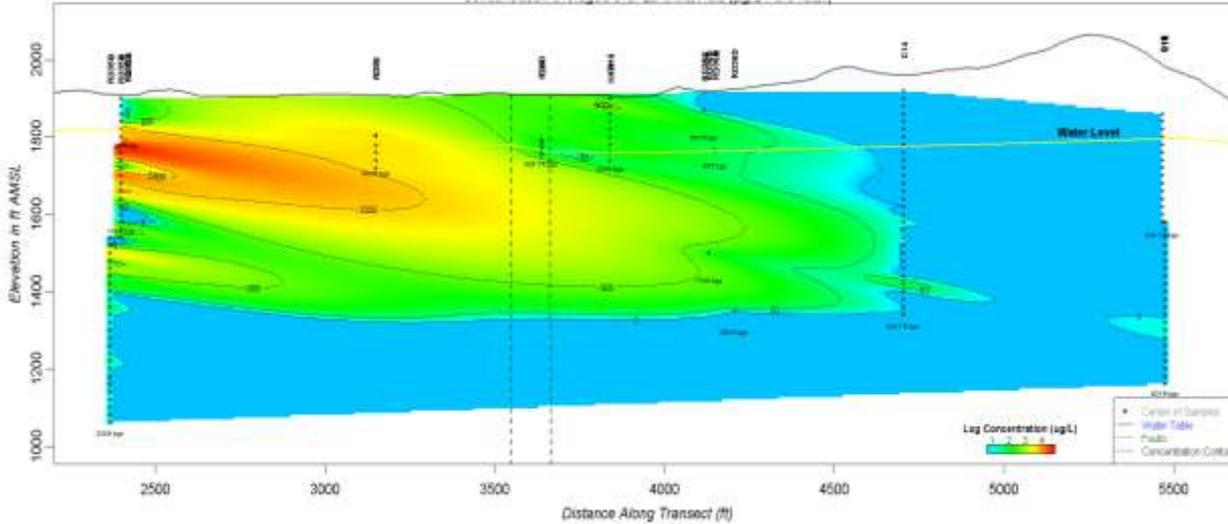


Point concentrations extracted at 50 m intervals along flowpath, averaged vertically over 5 m intervals and resulting dataset kriged.

Averaged over 5m intervals

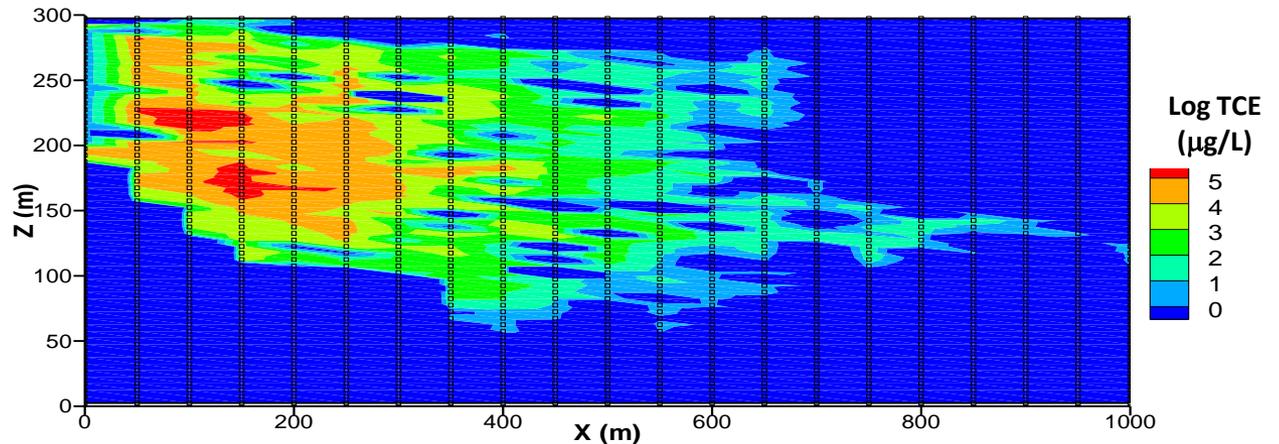


# Comparison of FRACTRAN versus Field Results along Plume Longsect



Field Plume Longsect (averaged)

FRACTRAN @ 60 yr (averaged)

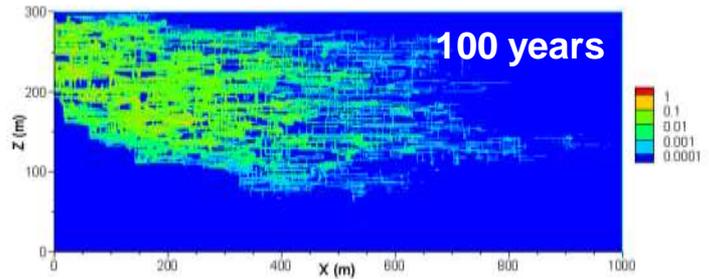
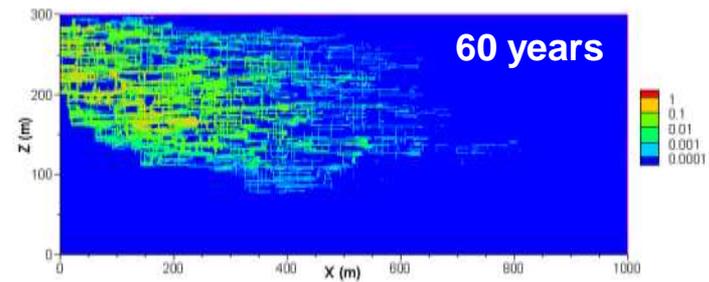
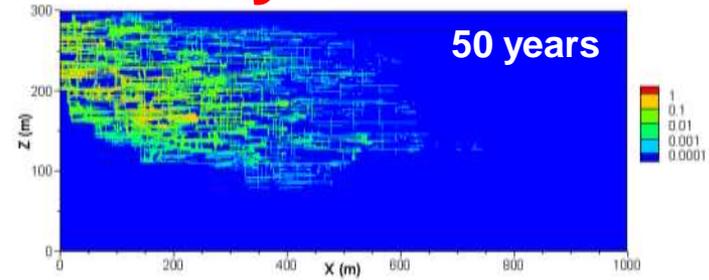
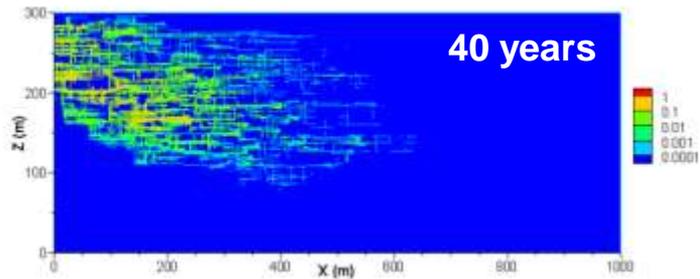
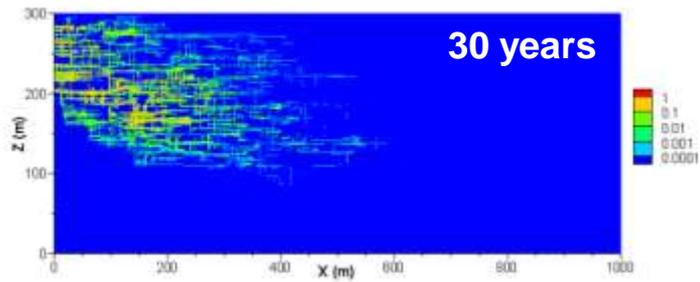
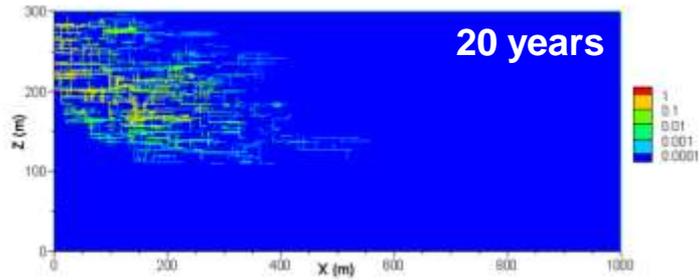
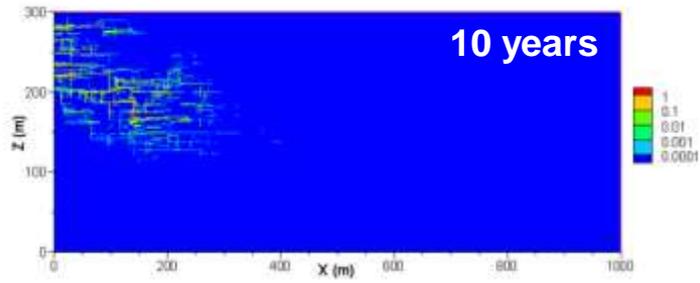


Field and model show similar bulk plume style and extent

# Simulated Northeast Plume

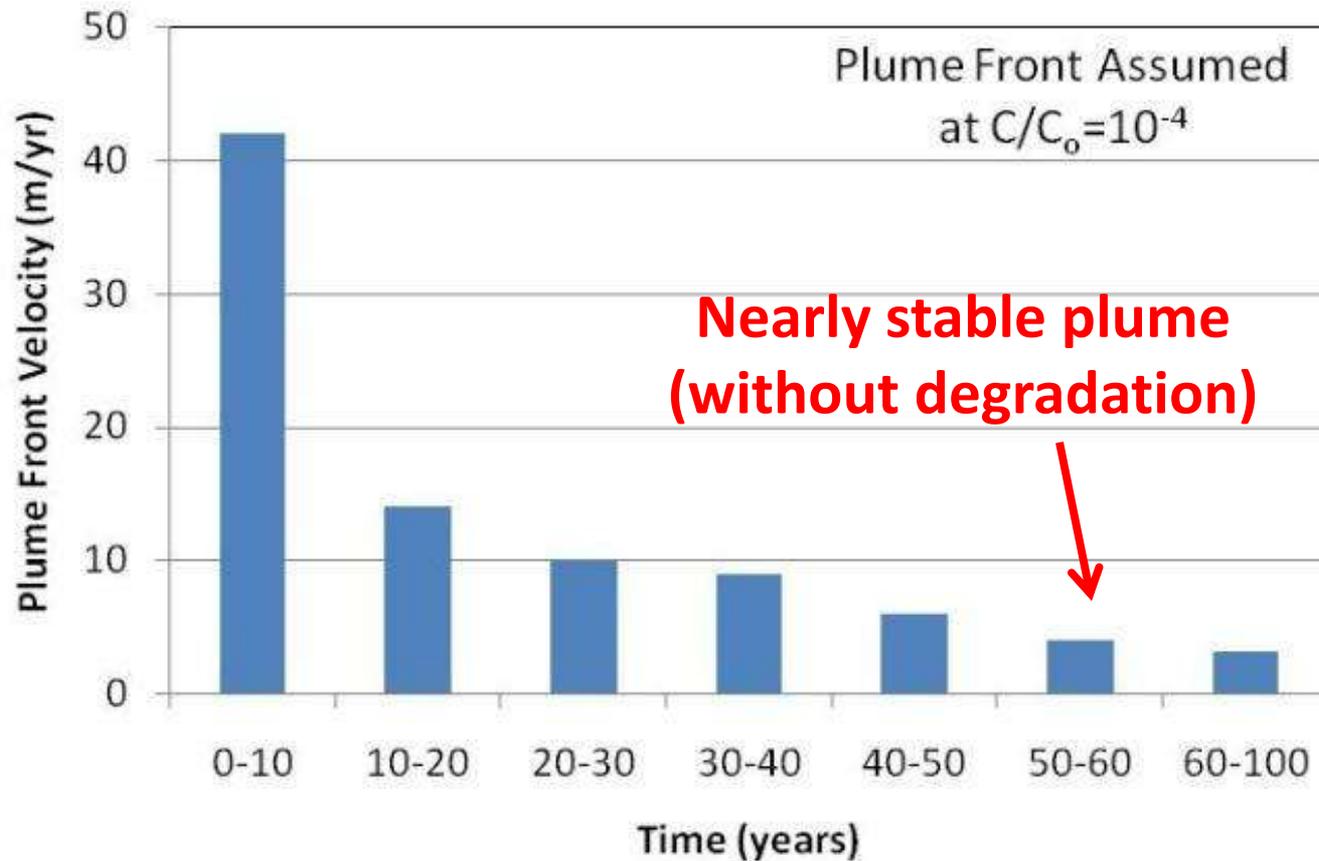
*No degradation included*

**Plumes are nearly stable after 50 years**



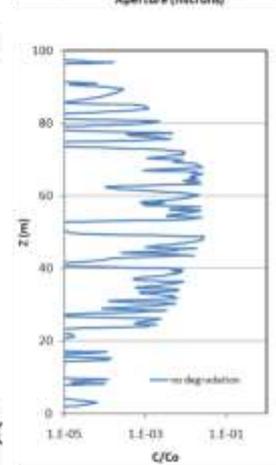
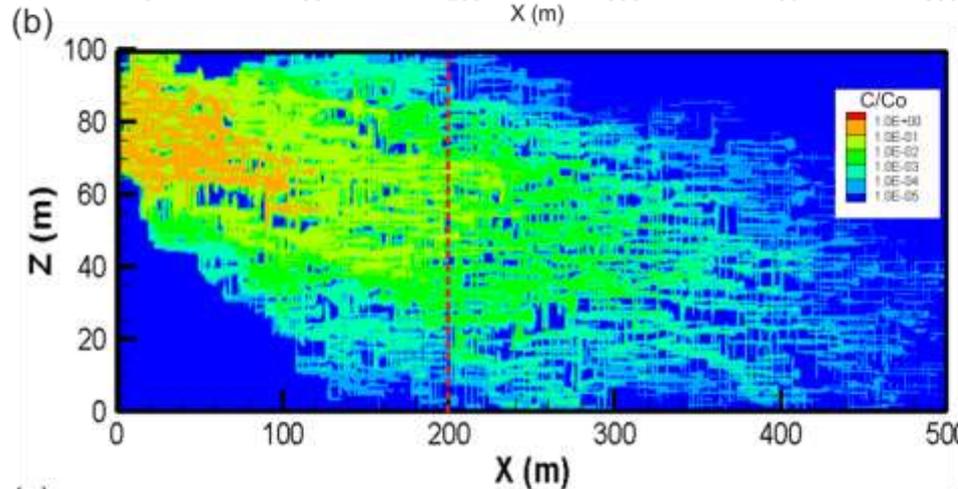
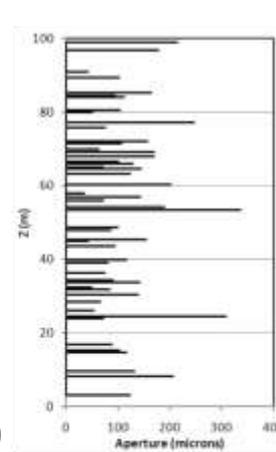
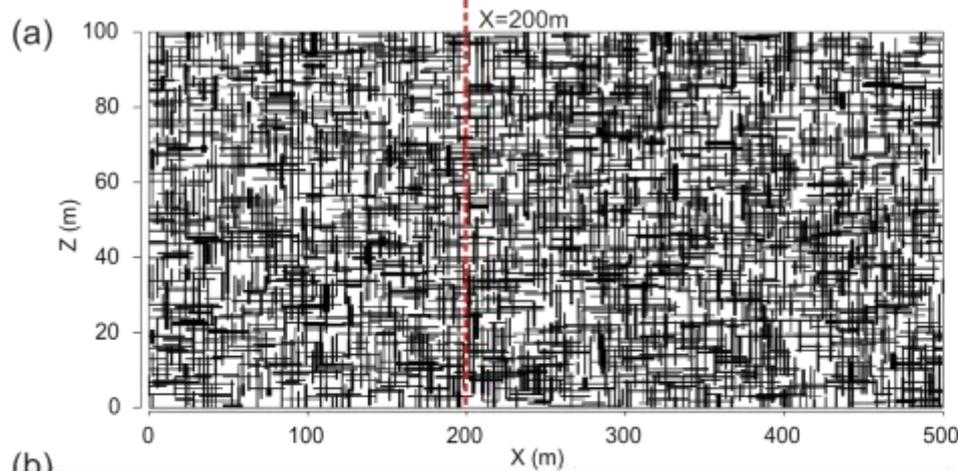
# FRACTRAN results suggest plume front nearly stationary (physical processes only)

FRACTRAN Simulated Plume Front Velocity

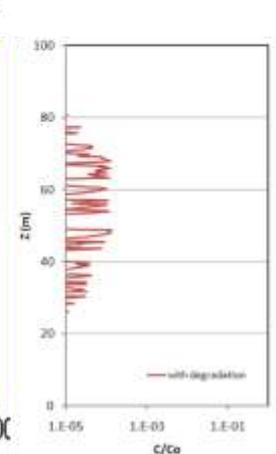
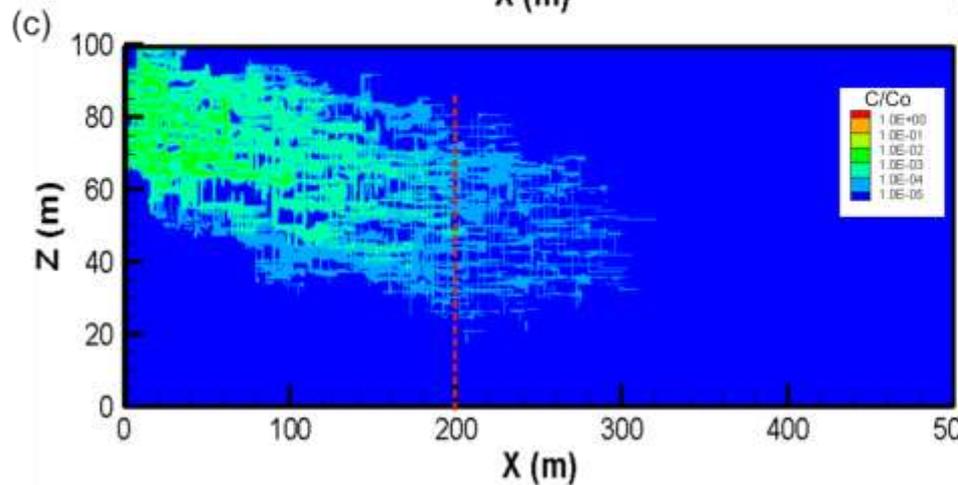


# TCE Degradation

Well-Interconnected Fractures



20 year DNAPL Source  
No Degradation  
50 years



20 year DNAPL Source  
**Degradation (5 yr half life)**  
50 years

# Numerous Chemical-Use Areas



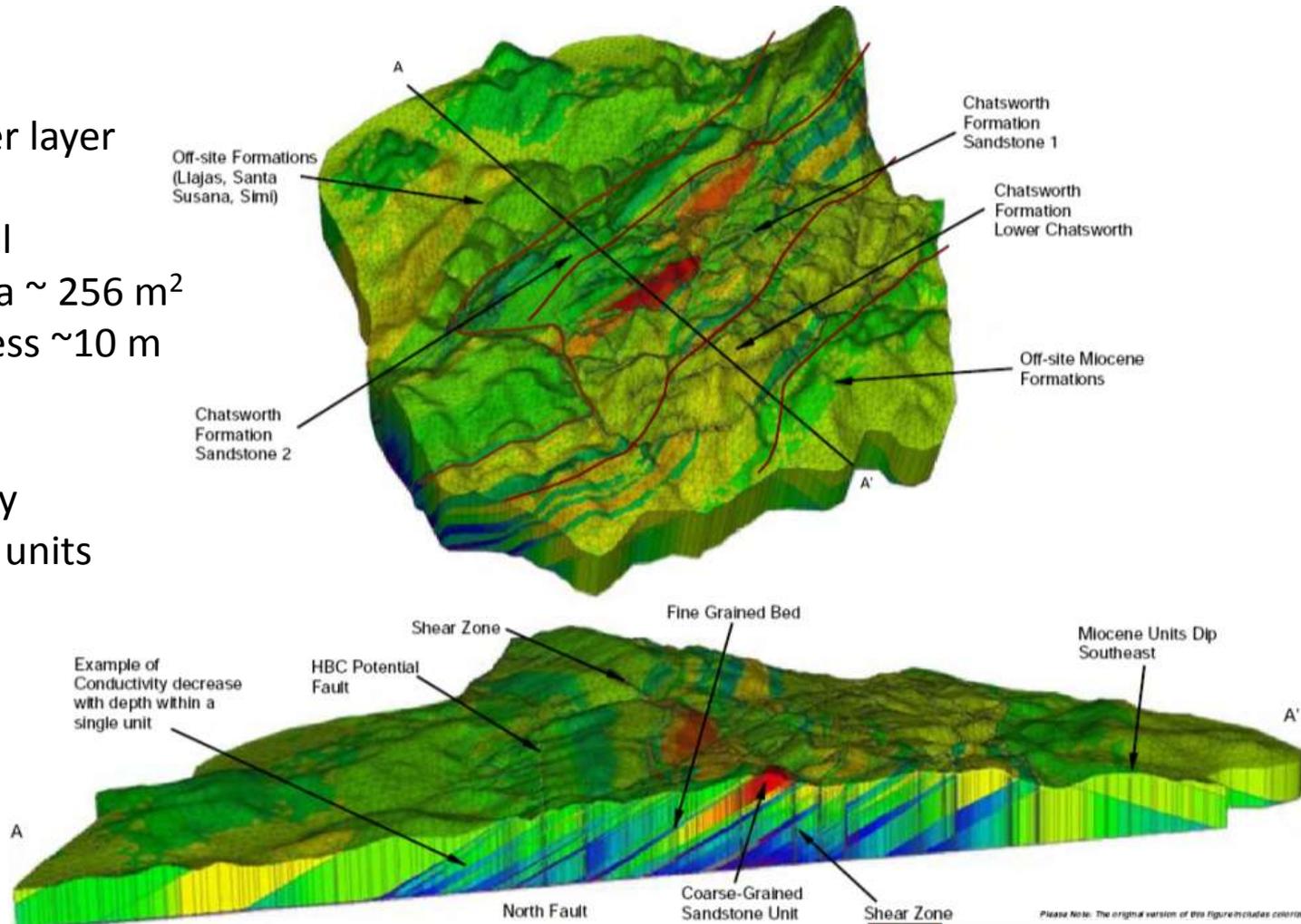
Areas recommended for corrective measures study based on suburban residential land use

# Mountain Scale 3-D FEFLOW EPM Model

- 8 km x 8 km domain
- 250,000 elements per layer
- 46 layers
- 11.5M elements total
- average element area  $\sim 256 \text{ m}^2$
- average layer thickness  $\sim 10 \text{ m}$

## Site Macro-Complexity

- major hydrogeologic units
- faults, dipping beds
- hydraulic head
- water balance

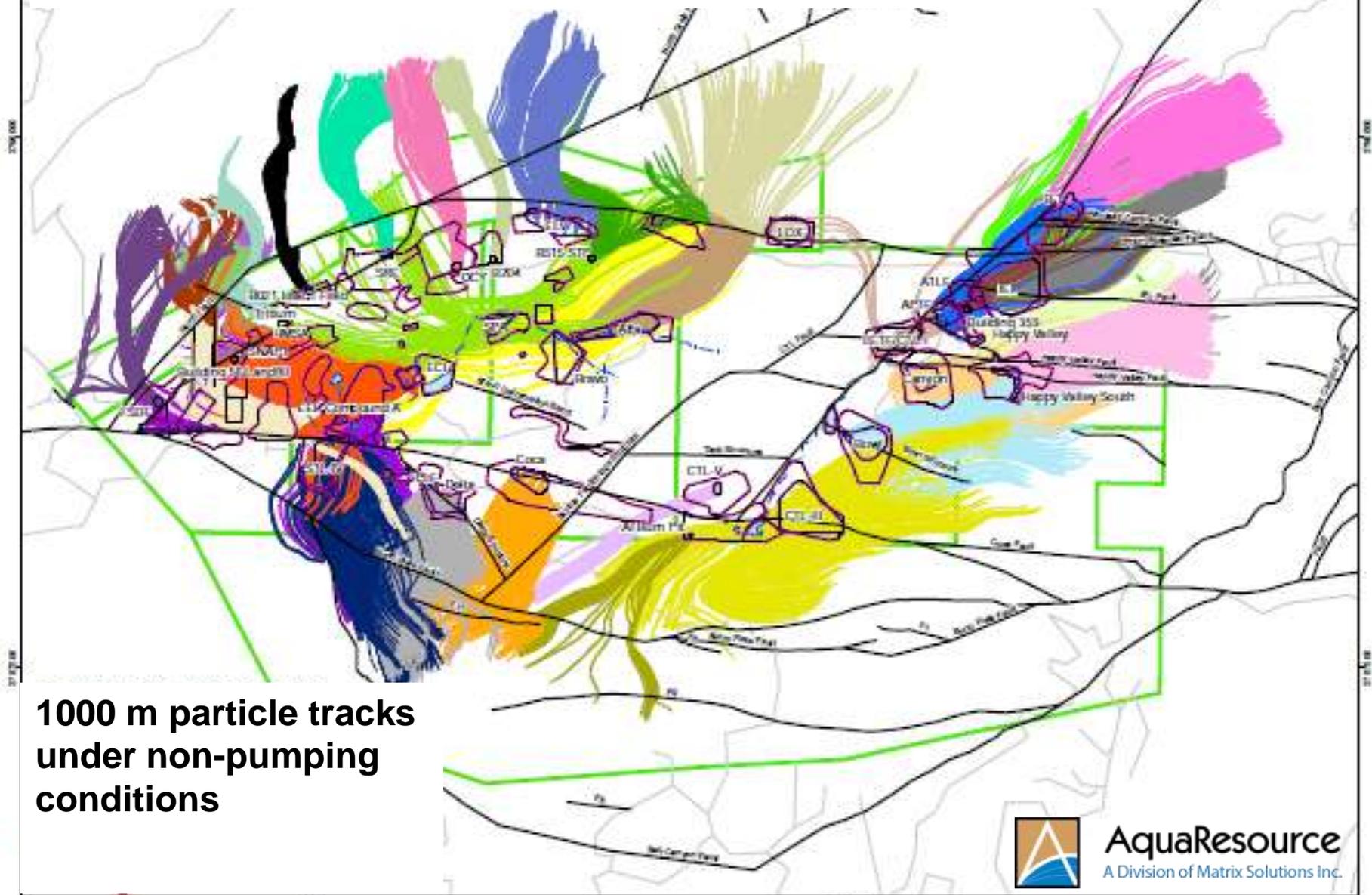


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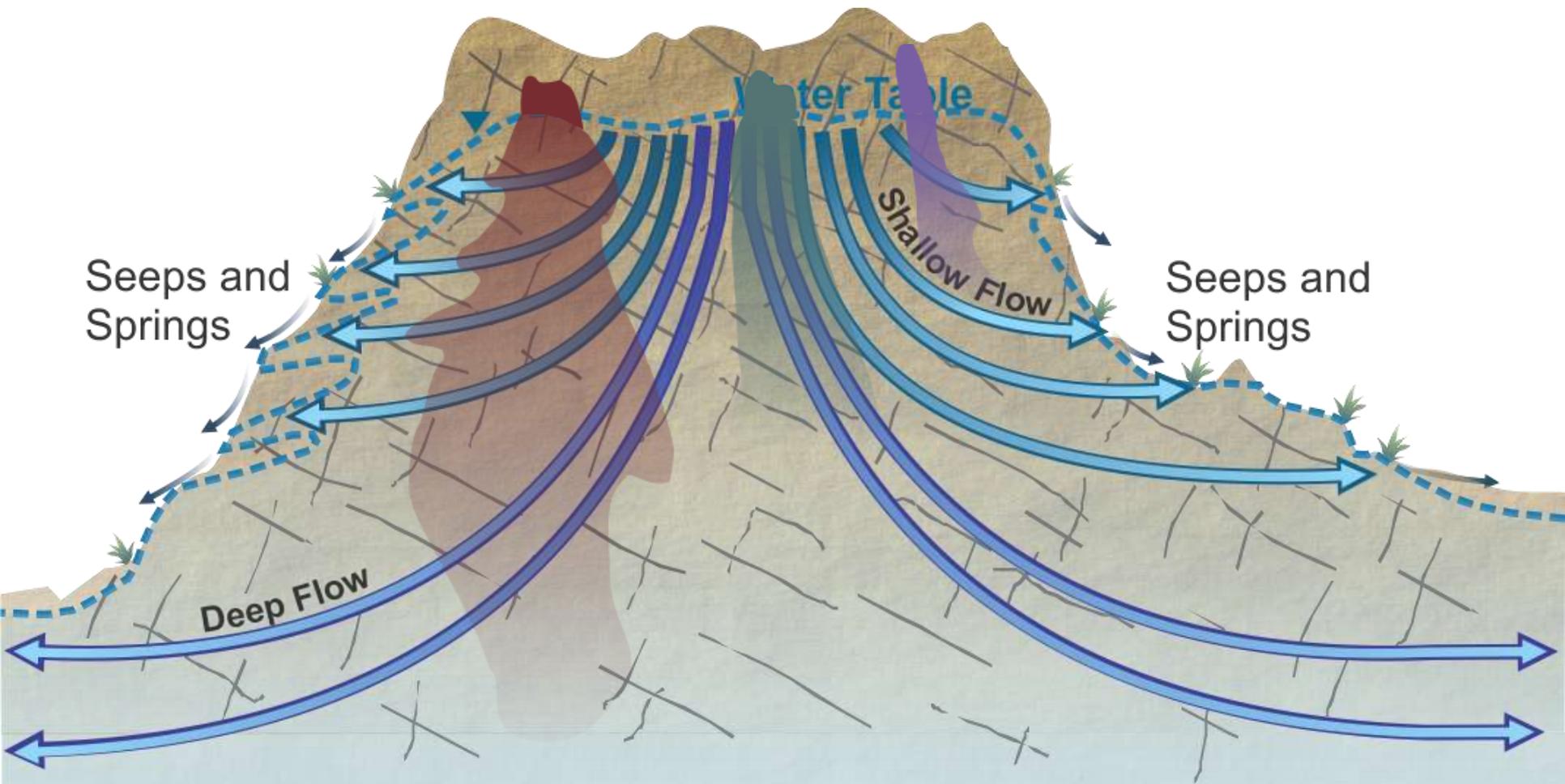
# Forward Particle Tracks in Bedrock

## FEFLOW 3D Groundwater Flow Model

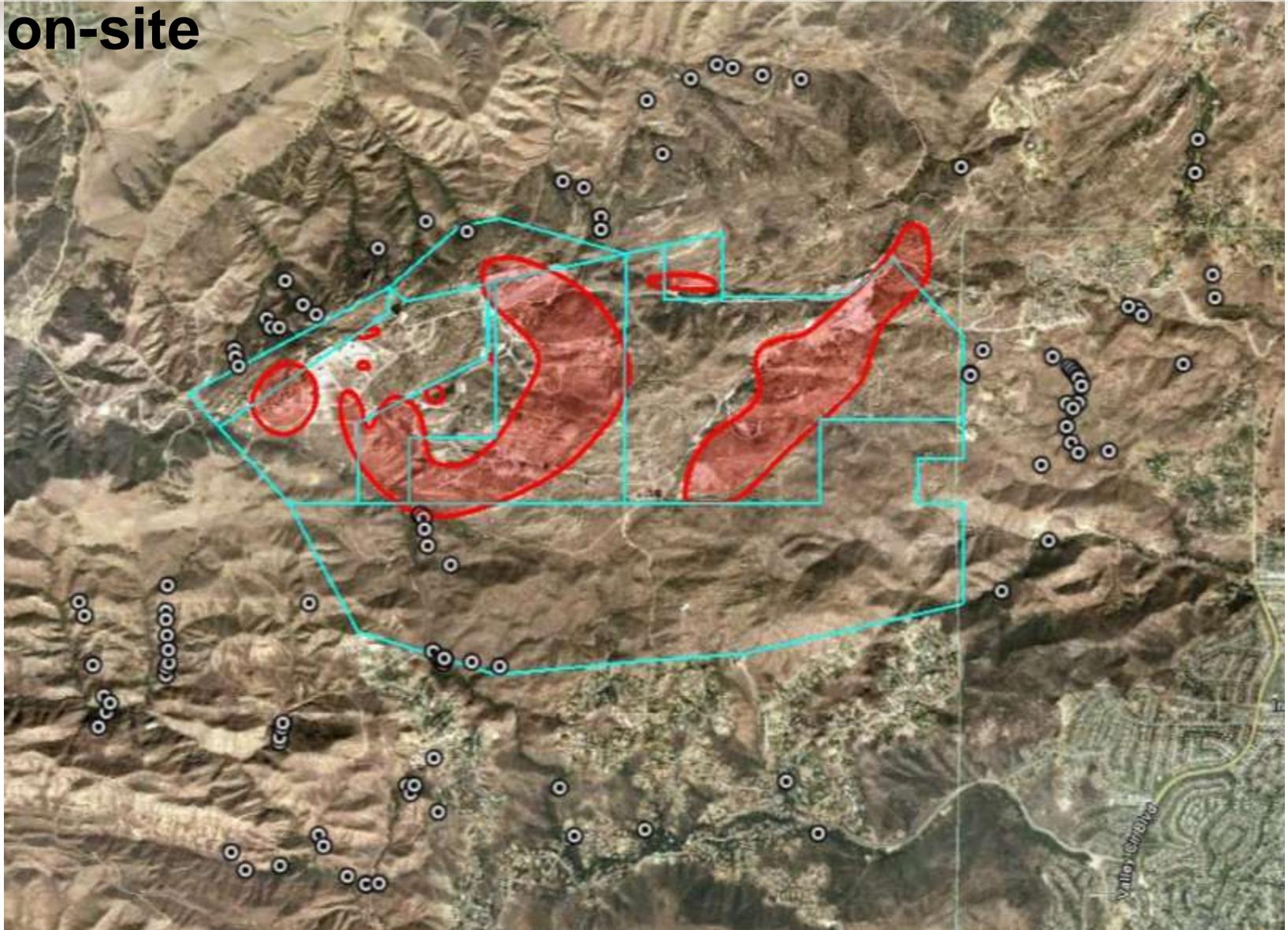


1000 m particle tracks  
under non-pumping  
conditions

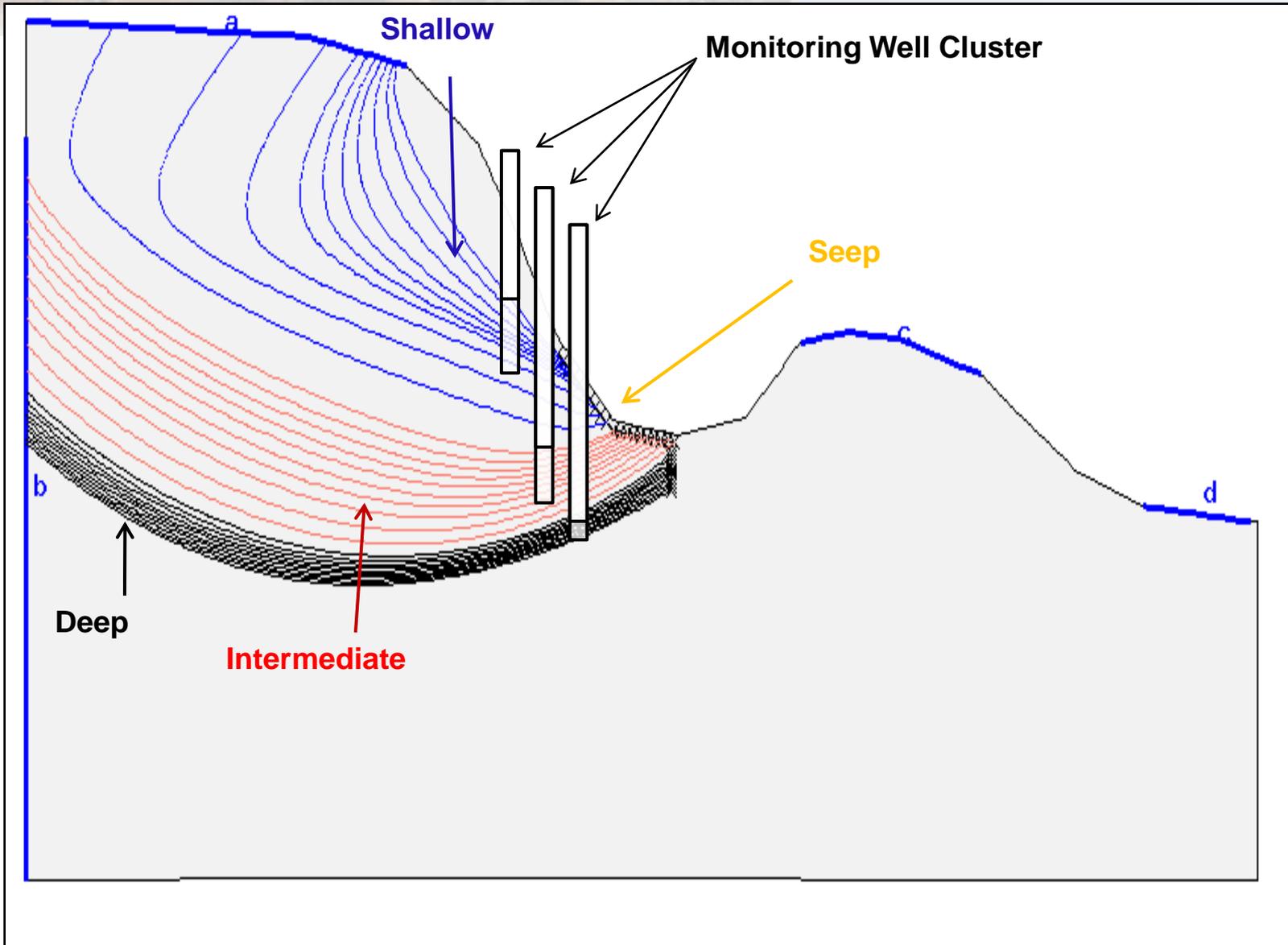
# Have plumes migrated to off-site receptors?



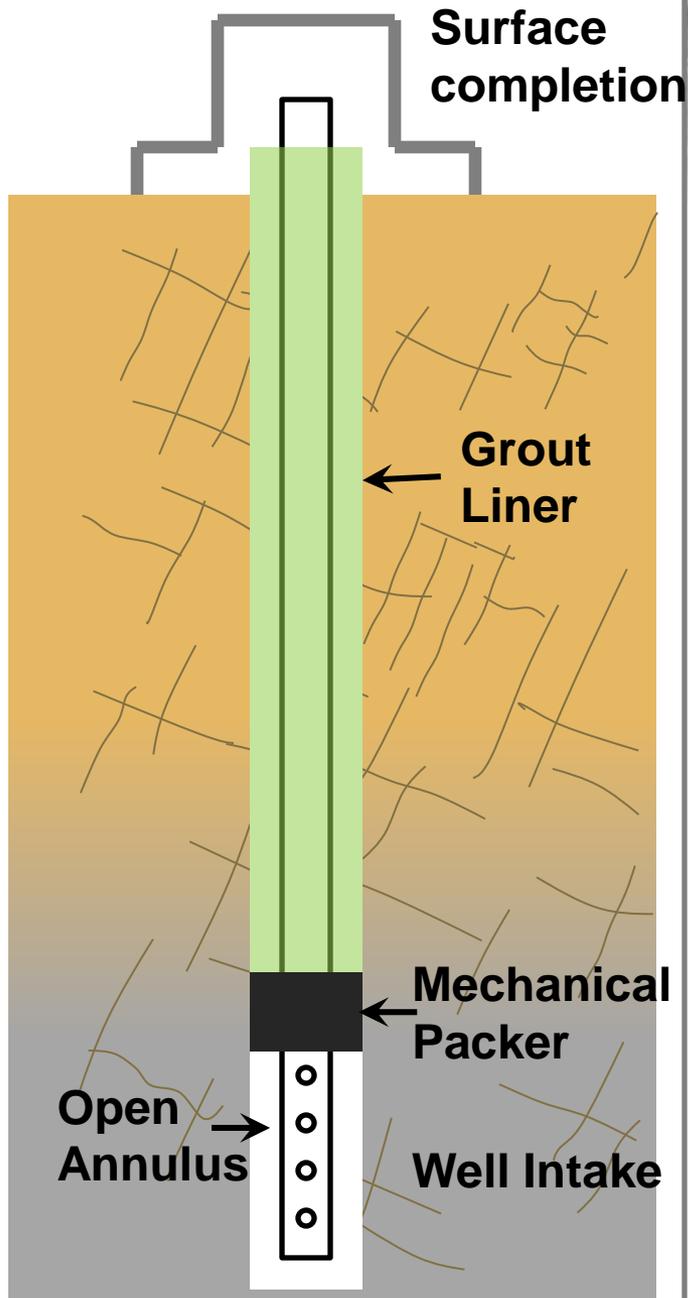
**154 seeps have been identified along the slopes down-gradient of SSFL, including 9 on-site**



# Approach: Use Portable Drills to Instrument Seeps With Monitoring Wells



# Monitoring Well Design



- One well at the bottom of each corehole
- Hole fully sealed above well intake
- No grout escapes into fractures
- No sand pack around well screen



# Monitoring Well Goals

- To develop a better understanding of the origins of seeps water.
- To determine whether seeps with no SSFL contaminants have groundwater discharging to them carrying contaminants.



# Approach

- Advance coreholes to depths ranging from 5 to 54 ft using portable drilling equipment.
  - Shaw Portable Core Drill
  - Winkie Drill
- Installation of small diameter wells for:
  - water level measurements
  - sampling

# Winkie Drill

[www.minex-intl.com](http://www.minex-intl.com) (sole manufacturer)



Depths: 50 to 75 ft  
Corehole Diameter: 1.87"  
Run Length: 5 ft



**MINEX**  
**WINKIE**  
**DRILL**

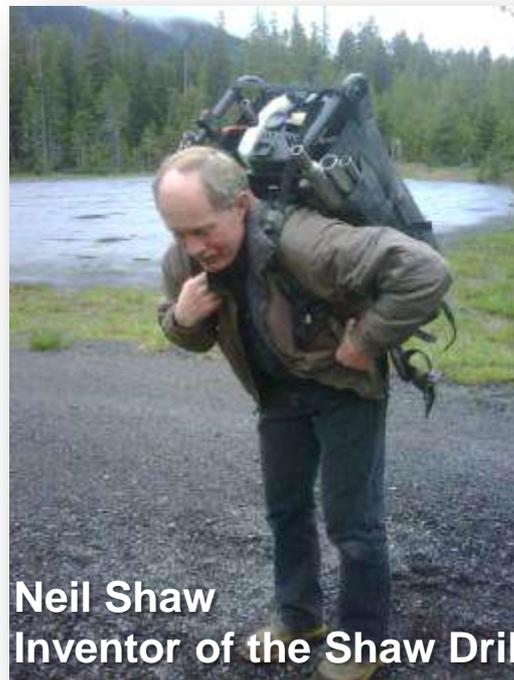


Fred Wink (1914-2007)  
Inventor of the Winkie Drill

# Shaw Portable Core Drill

[www.backpackdrill.com](http://www.backpackdrill.com)

**Depths: 20 to 40 ft**  
**Corehole Diameters:**  
**1.65 or 2.00-inches**  
**Run Length: 1.5 to 2 ft**



Neil Shaw  
Inventor of the Shaw Drill





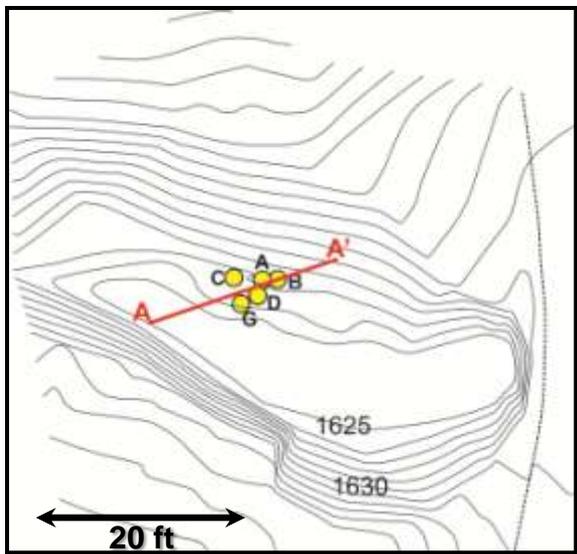
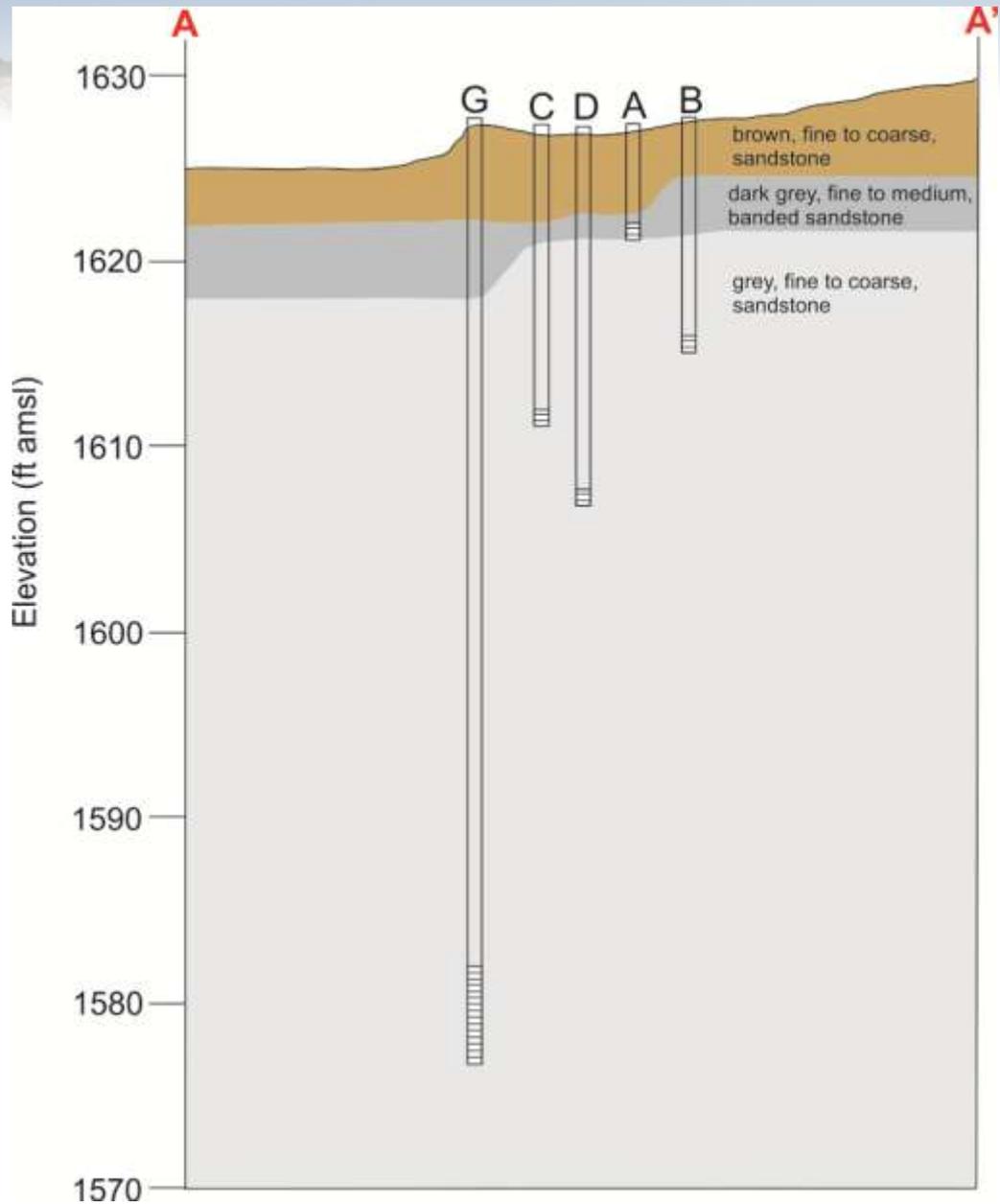
# Maximum Depths Drilled at SSFL

- **Shaw Core Drill**
  - Maximum depth drilled: **37 ft**
- **Winkie Drill**
  - Maximum depth drilled: **54 ft**

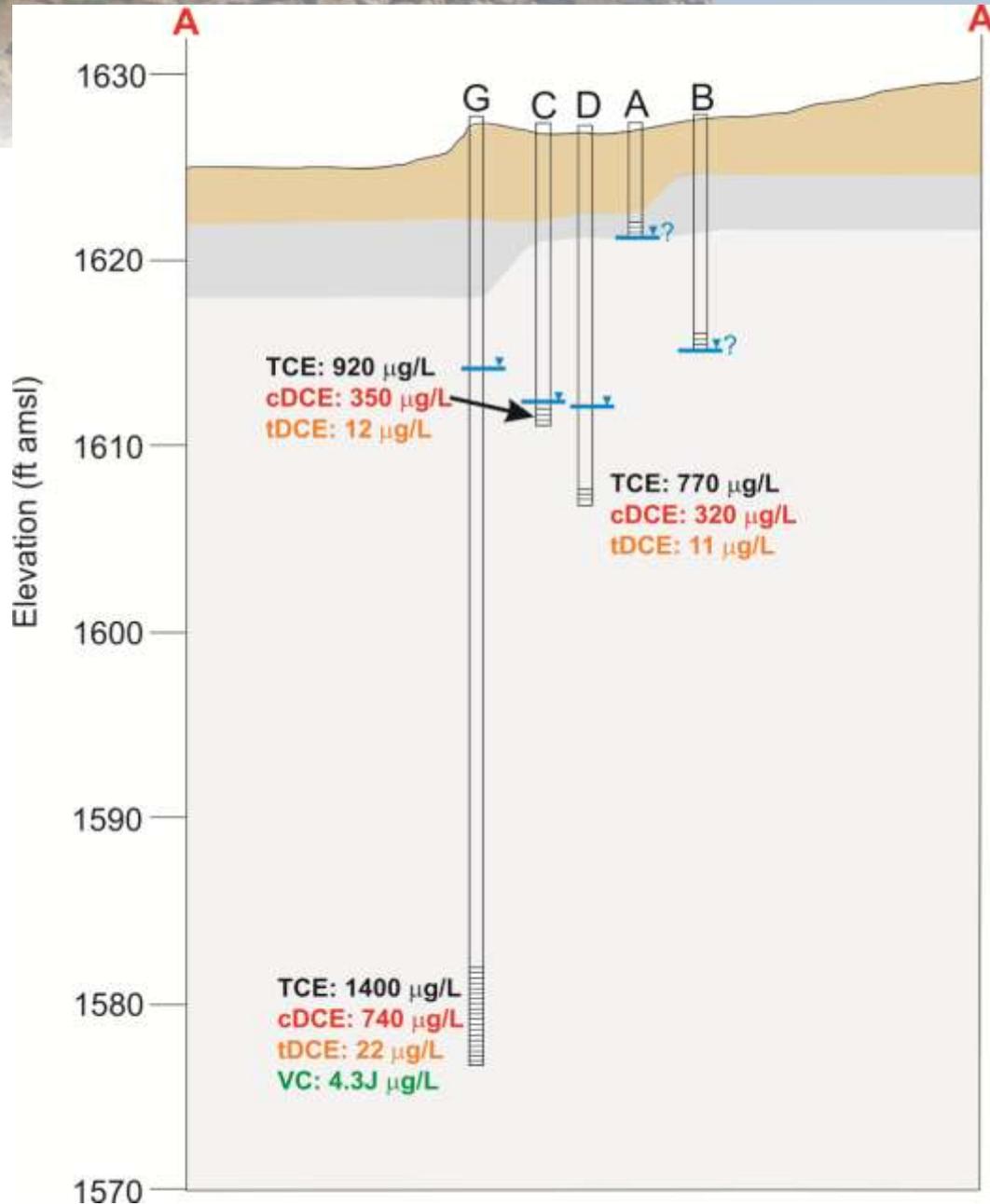
# Completed Cluster in Drainage



# Seep Well Cluster: SP-890



# Results of Groundwater Sampling for VOCs SP-890 Cluster



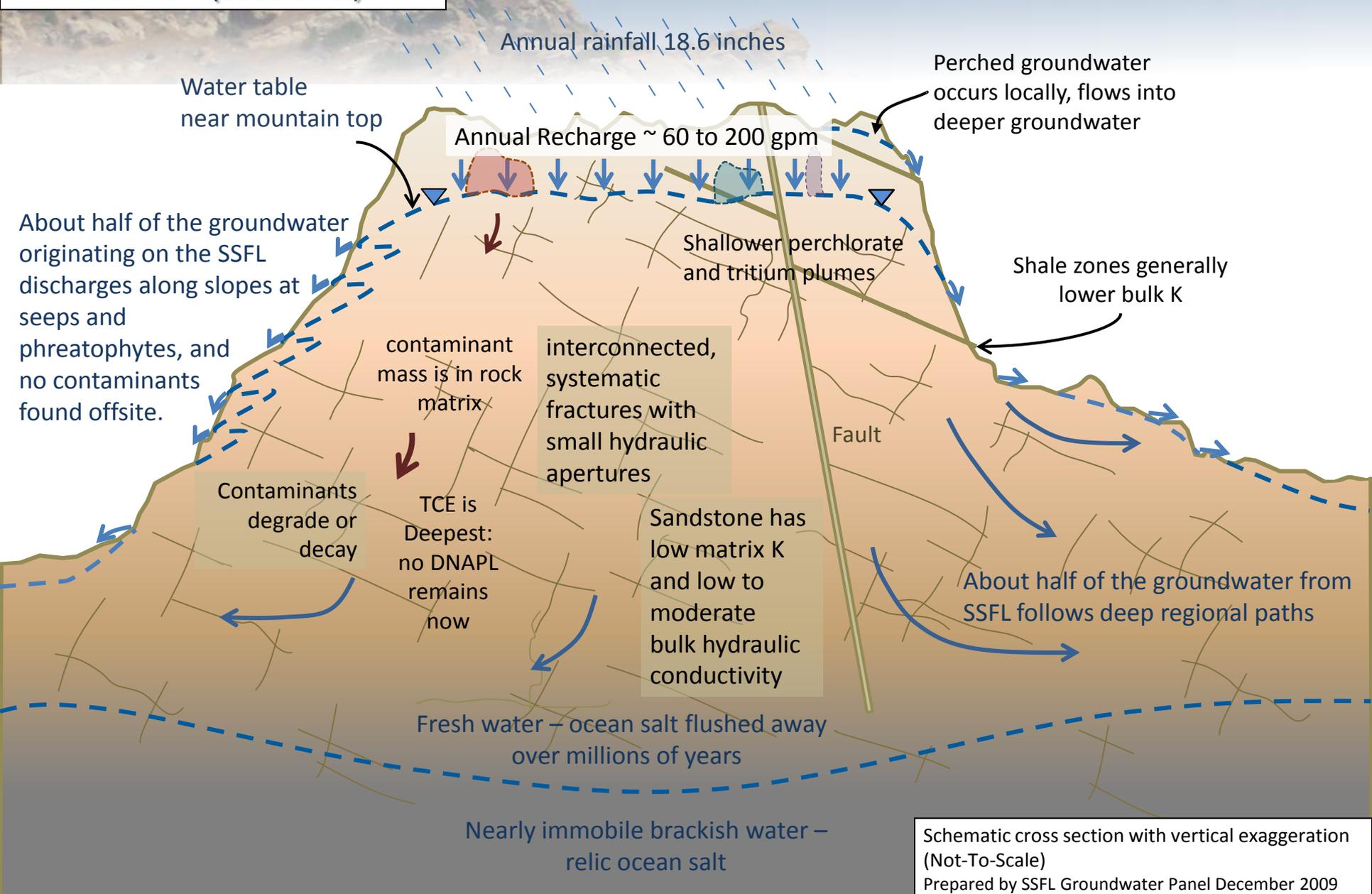
## Groundwater Sampling Dates

- SP-890C → July 5, 2011
- SP-890D → July 5, 2011
- SP-890G → September 12, 2011

## FDP-890, Seep Sampling Results

TCE: 200 µg/L  
cDCE: 440 µg/L  
tDCE: 18 µg/L  
VC: 1.0 µg/L

**Santa Susana Field Laboratory  
Located on top of a sandstone  
mountain (2850 acres)**



Schematic cross section with vertical exaggeration (Not-To-Scale)  
Prepared by SSFL Groundwater Panel December 2009



# Summary of Key Findings

- **Diffusion of contaminants readily occurs in sandstone and shale and is a very important process at SSFL.**
- **Nearly all the contaminant mass is in the low permeability rock matrix.**
- **Most of the contamination is found close to where it went into the ground.**
- **Groundwater plumes are now stable and plume fronts are nearly stationary.**
- **Contamination has not been found at offsite seeps.**



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A photograph of a rocky hillside under a clear blue sky. The foreground and middle ground are dominated by large, light-colored boulders and smaller rocks, some with dark cracks. Sparse, dry vegetation, including small green shrubs and patches of brownish grass, is scattered across the rocky terrain. The background shows a clear, bright blue sky. The overall scene is bright and clear, suggesting a sunny day.

**THANK YOU**

**Questions?**