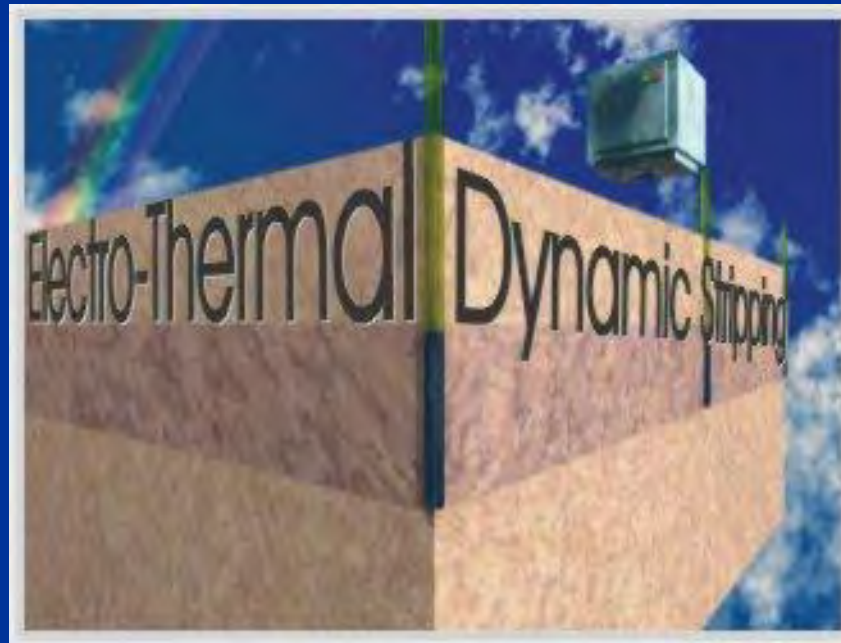




ET-DSP™ for In-Situ Thermal Remediation



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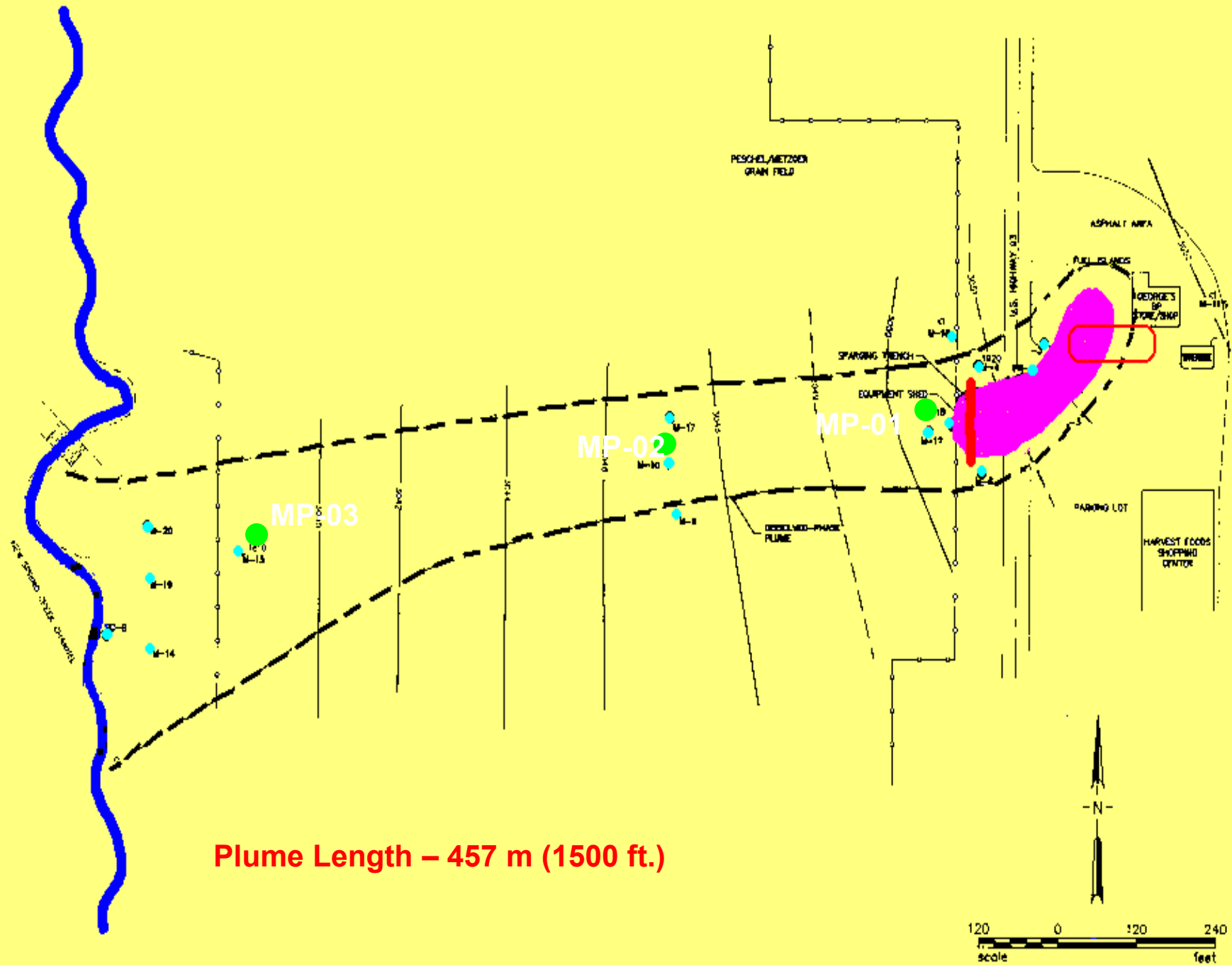
McMillan-McGee - Company

- 50 Employees:
 - 2 Ph.D. Electrical Engineers
 - 5 Chemical & Civil/Environmental Engineers
 - 6 technologists/electricians/tradesman
- 15,000 sq ft manufacturing and testing facility
- Thermal laboratory
- Management team has more than 80 years of project experience in thermal remediation
- Fleet of 50 PDS Units with a total power capacity of 40,000 kVA
- Manufacture 25 ET-DSP™ electrodes per day.

George's Conoco – Ronan, MT



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The Problem with Glacial Lacustrine Sediments

- Traditional technologies such as SVE and AS sparging have limited success
- Plumes have extremely long lives
- Remediation very expensive due to presence of residual LNAPL in vadose zone
- Difficult to characterize
- Easy to miss parts of the plume due to heterogeneities

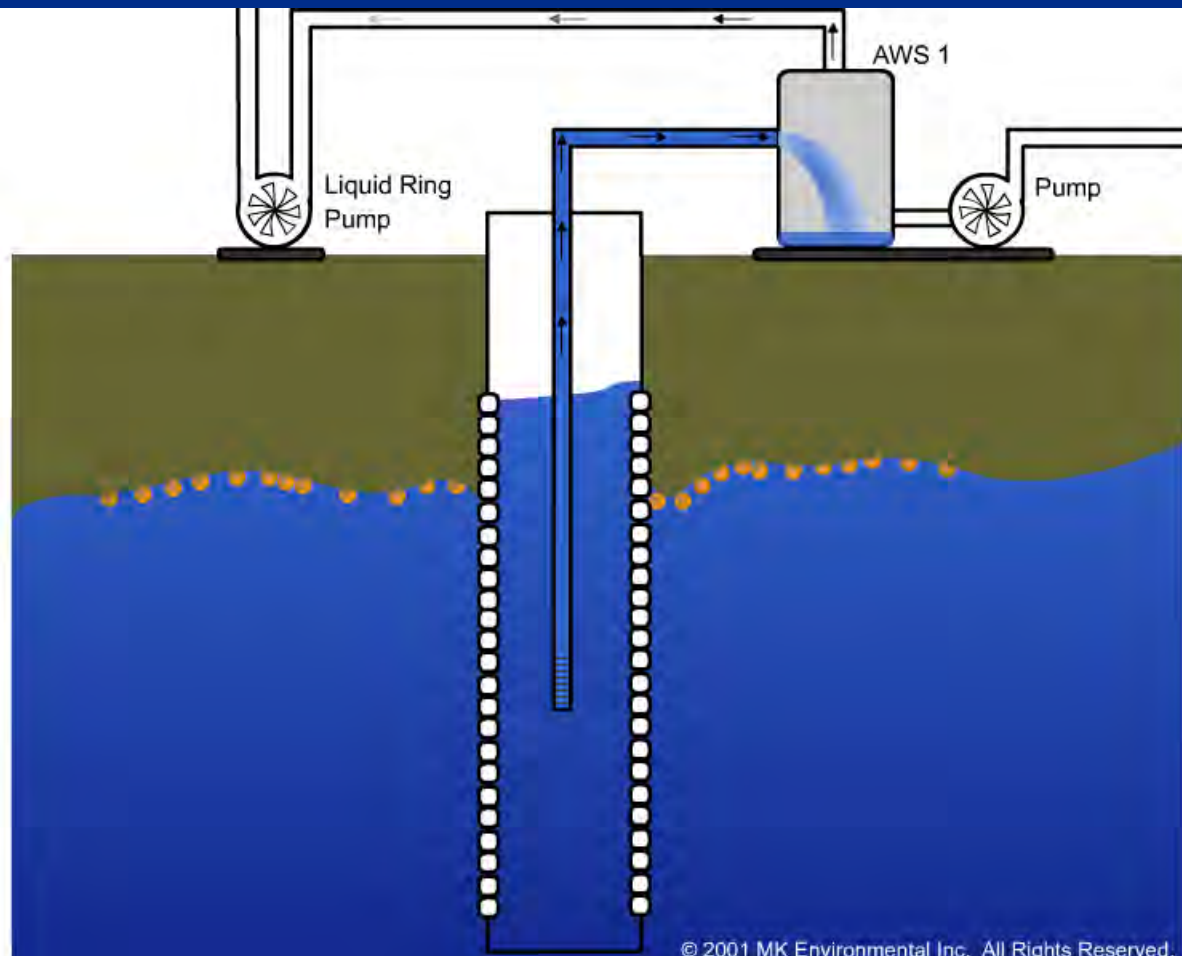


High Vacuum Dry Blower



- Can achieve over 25" hg
 - Expensive
 - Very noisy
 - High maintenance
- Susceptible to water carry-over

Dual Phase - Principle of Operation



Remediation Efforts

- Approx. 2,000 cubic yards soil excavated and landfarmed
- Approx. 3,500 gallons of gasoline removed through free product skimming, Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE), and Air Sparging (AS)
- Cost approx. \$900,000 through 2002





Application of ET-DSP™

- Can be used on virtually all VOC's
- MTBE
- To mobilize heavy LNAPL
- No minimum depth
- No maximum depth
- No lower permeability limit

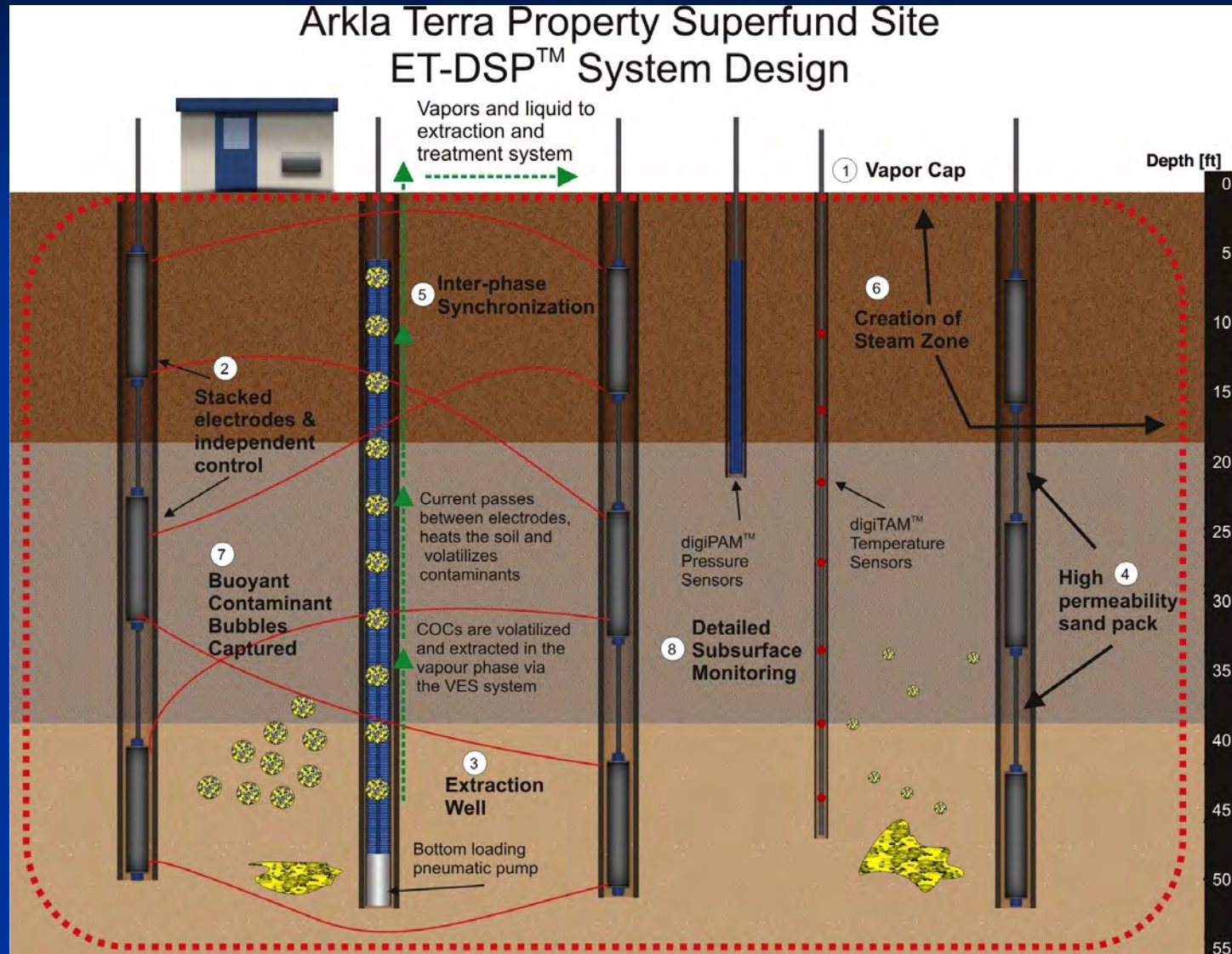
Where is ET-DSP™ Most Effective?

- Soil with hydraulic conductivity less than $10\text{e-}3\text{cm/sec}$
- Layered stratigraphy; clay layers and lenses
- NAPL and source area remediation
- Where other technologies have no chance of meeting a remediation goal or timeline

Application of ET-DSP™

- Need a performance GUARANTEE?
- Fixed cost
- Subject to adequate site characterization and site parameters
- Whatever is “In The Box” gets heated

Typical Subsurface Design



Where is ET-DSP™ Not Used?

- Operating facilities
- Bedrock. Needs to conduct electricity
- Non volatile, PCBs
- High uncontrolled groundwater gradient
- Excessively high conductivity

In-Situ Thermal Remediation

Will Heat Help?

Thermally Enhanced Remediation Mechanisms

Primary Removal Techniques:

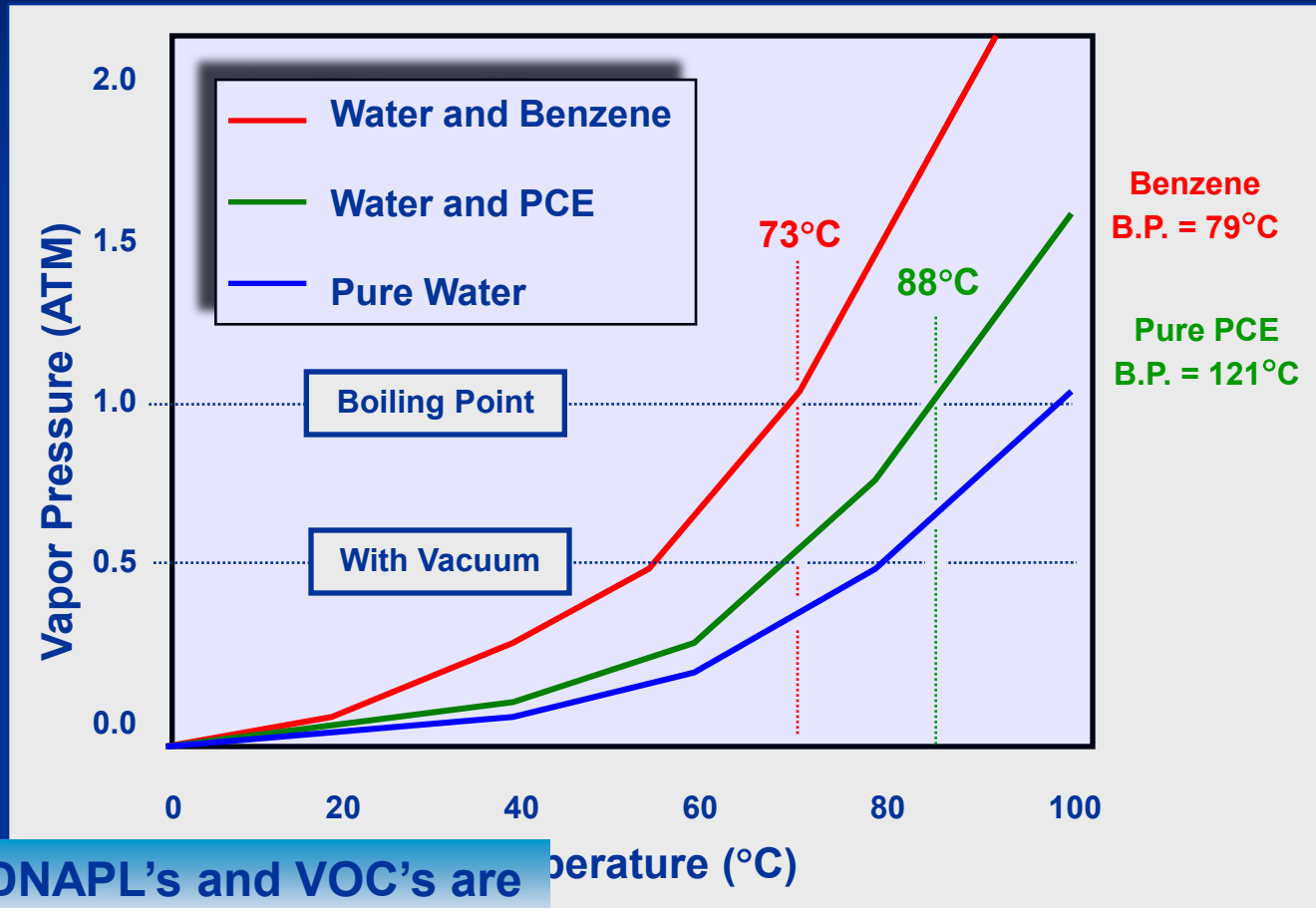
- **Vaporization** of volatile and semi-volatile organic compounds (*Dalton's Law of partial pressures*)
- **Dynamic Stripping** (*Henry's Law Constant*)
- **Mobility Improvement** (*Viscosity reduction and thermally enhanced permeability*)

Additional Considerations:

- **Thermal Hydrolysis** (*Arrhenius temperature rate dependence*)
- **Accelerated Bioremediation** (*Thermophilic and Extremophilic metabolism*).

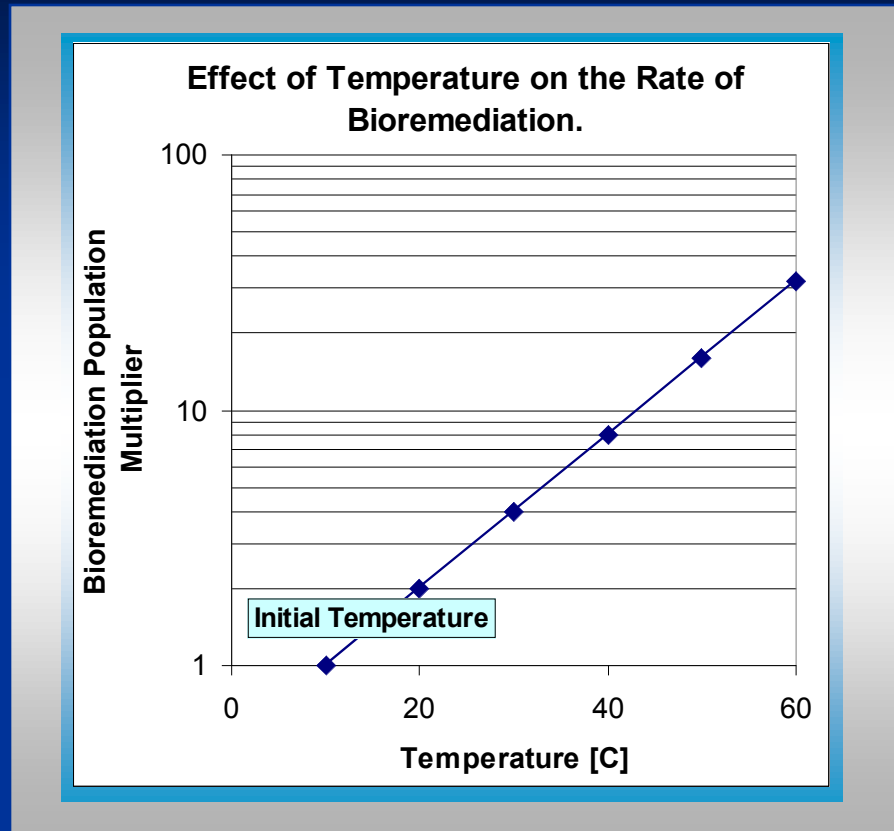
Why Heat Helps

Vapor Pressure-Temperature Relationship



Once the DNAPL's and VOC's are volatilized they can be easily and rapidly recovered from the soil at multi-phase extraction wells.

Heat and Bioremediation



Once the soil is heated the rate of temperature decline is about $\frac{1}{4}^{\circ}\text{C}$ per day resulting in a long duration of accelerated natural attenuation.

Source: "Analysis of Selected Enhancements for Soil Vapor Extraction", EPA Report EPA-542-R-97-007

Target Temperature for Treatment Zone was 80 Degrees C

- Boiling Point of MTBE = 55.2 Degrees C
- Boiling Point of Benzene = 80.1 Degrees C

Creating Permeability

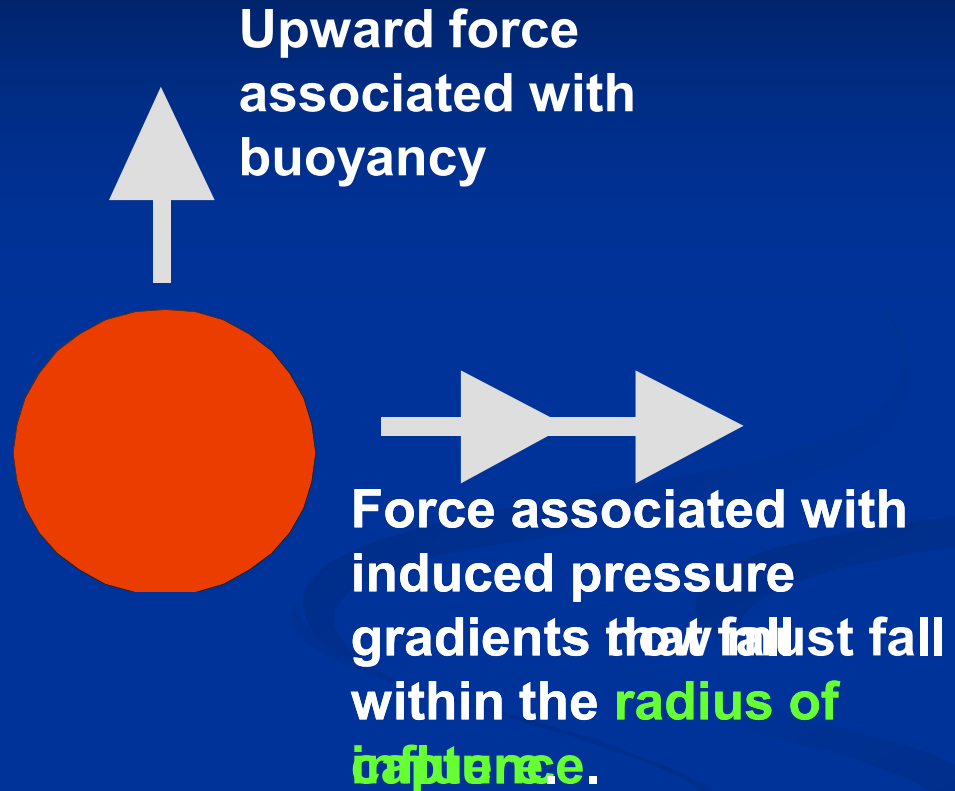
- Clay/Silt soils heat first
- Steam generated in-situ
- Steam pressure generates secondary porosity
- Contaminants mobilized for capture



Heat and Mass Transfer

A molecule of
hydrocarbon
vapor

After Heating



Flow Dynamics

$q=20$ [scfm]

Extraction Well

Heated Zone

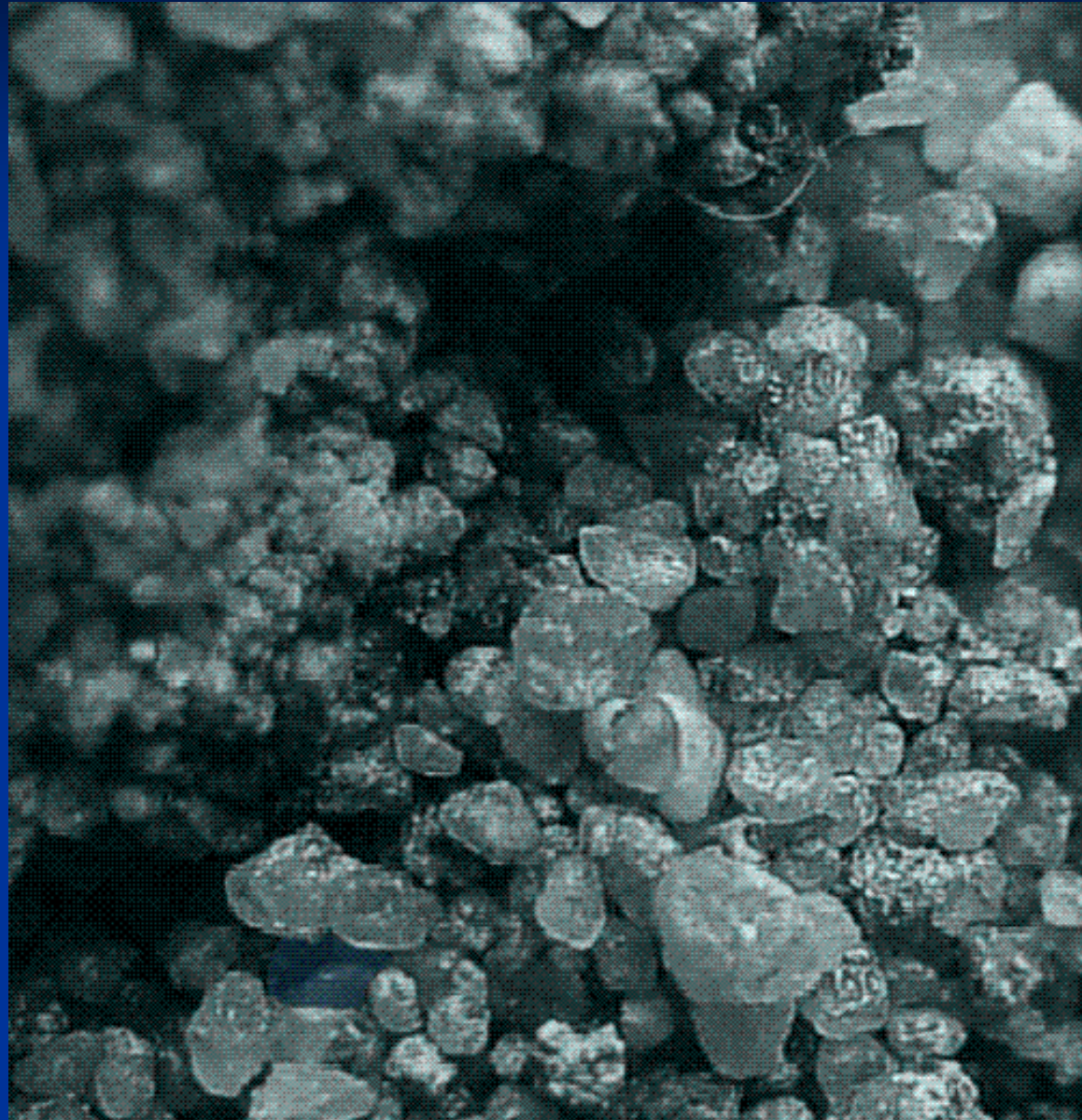
$$\frac{k_H}{k_v} = 50$$

$$v_B = \frac{q}{2\pi r}$$

The radius of capture is usually less than the radius of influence and therefore a HVE System is used to prevent vertical migration of the vapors and redistribution of contaminants.

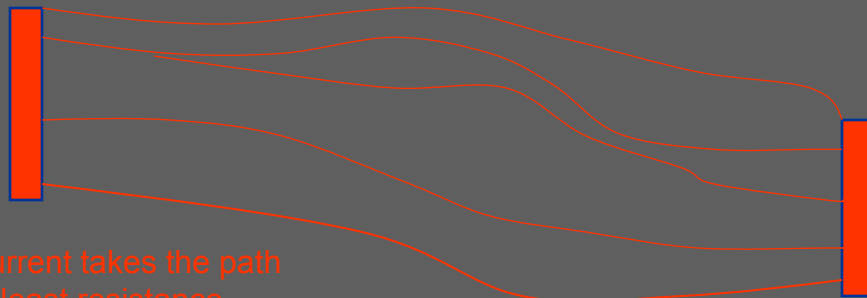
Vapor Transport in the Soil

Much of the vapour phase created by in-situ thermal remediation methods flow throughout the soil as entrained bubbles.



Why Electrical Heating

- **C**urrent can be focused in the soils so little of the energy is wasted. The conduction path is the soil and is where energy dissipation occurs.
- **G**etting heat into the formation is not limited by depth or the permeability of the soil and during heating permeability is created through a process of micro-fracturing (thermal expansion and high pore pressure release).
- **S**afe and simply technology to operate and integrates seamlessly with other conventional in-situ remediation technologies such as SVE and bioremediation.
- **F**or NAPLS, the success of the remediation of the immiscible DNAPL does not depend on knowing the detailed distribution in-situ.

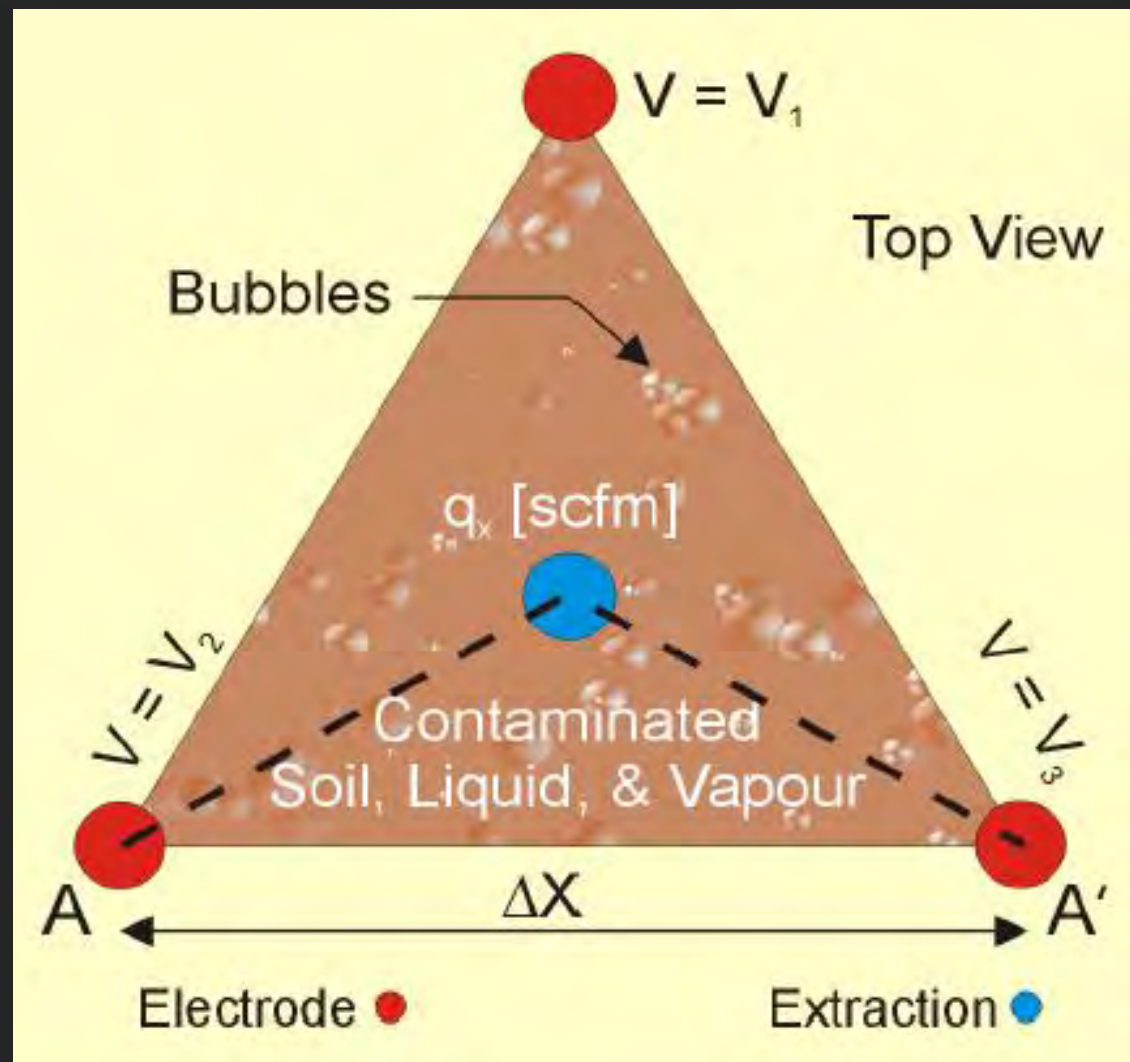


Current takes the path
of least resistance
Introduction to ET-DSP™

Example animation of a DNAPL spill in a heterogeneous porous medium. Source: Queen's University.
civil.queensu.ca/environ/groundwater/p16_2b.htm

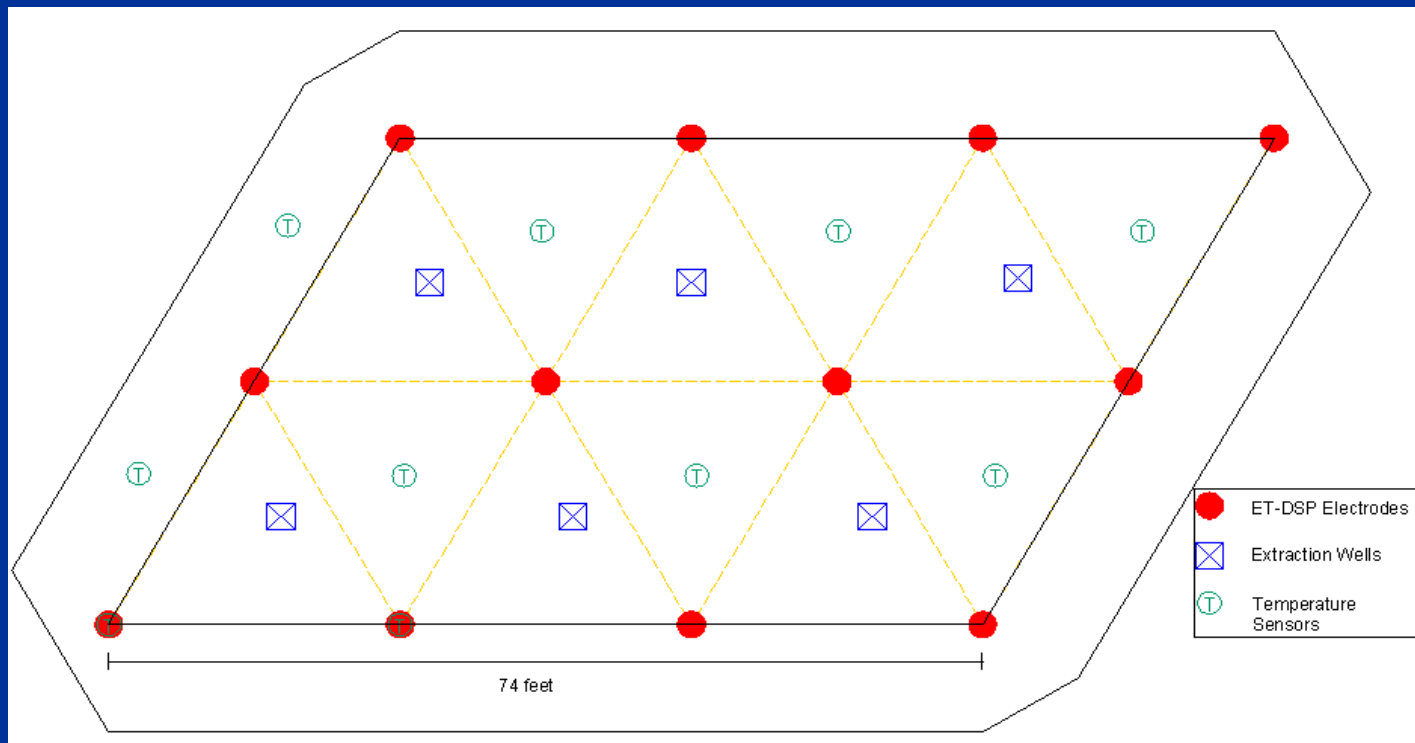
Heat Transfer

1. Conduction- Hot electrode
2. Electrical Resistance – Clay
3. Convection- Hot water flow

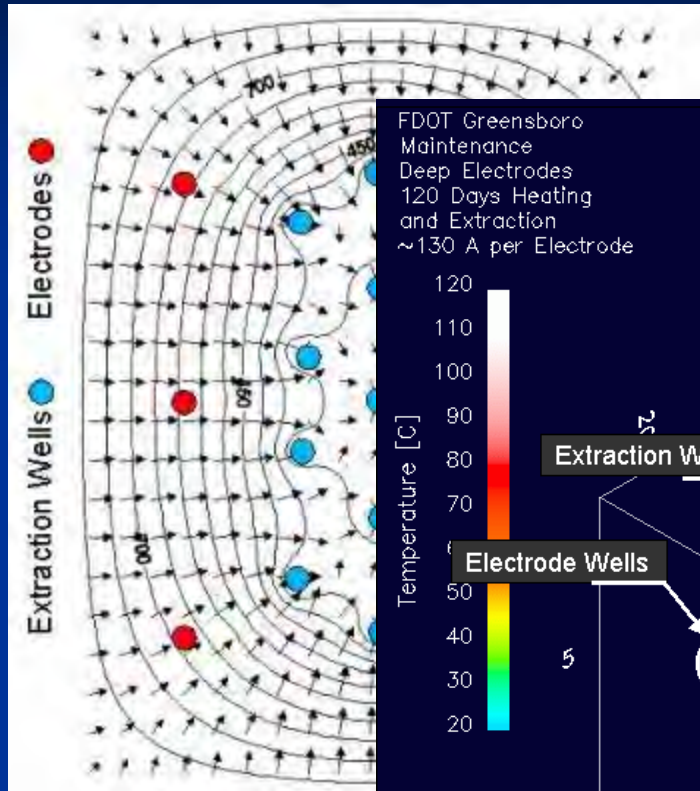


...Examples Cont.

One PDS with 12 electrodes = 5,400 ft² and 3,200 yds³

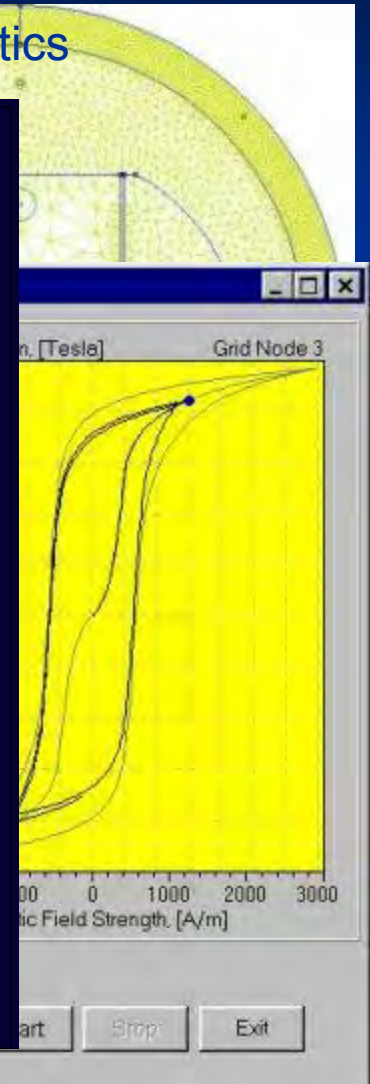
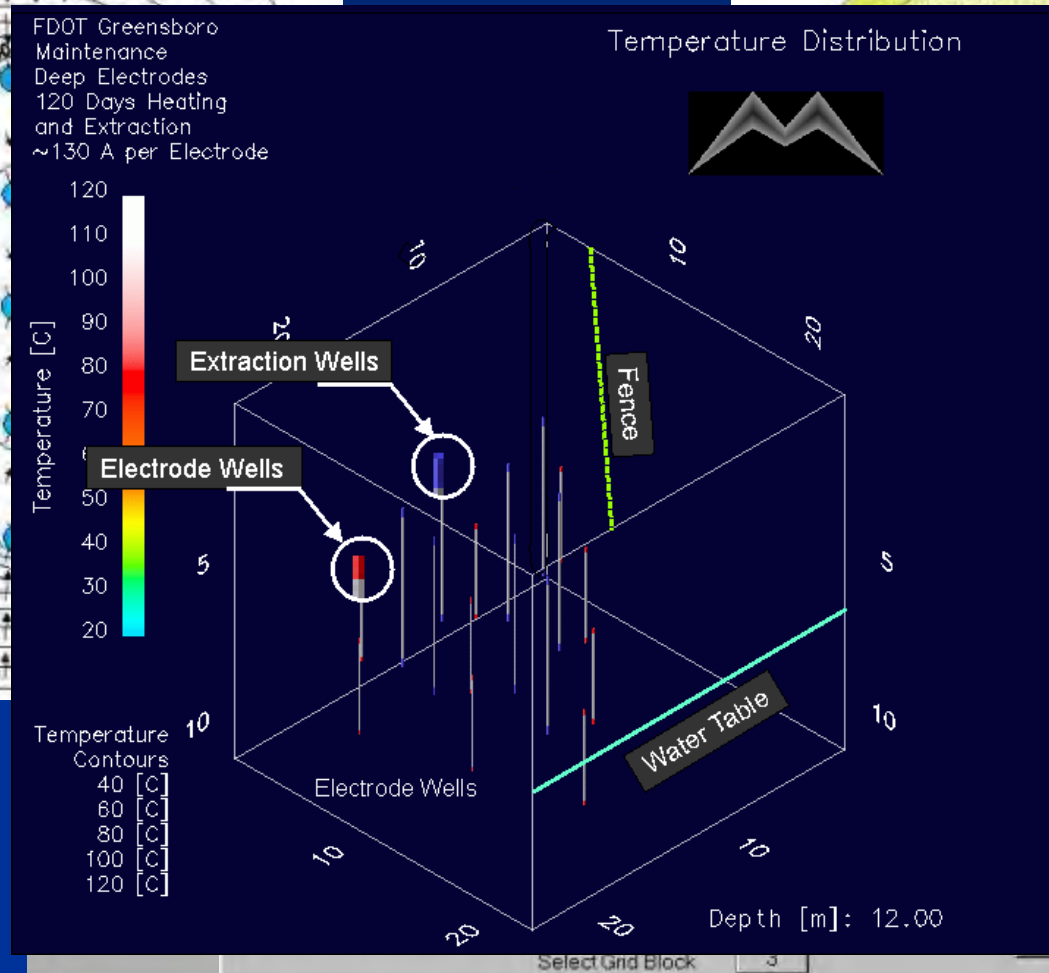


Numerical Modeling

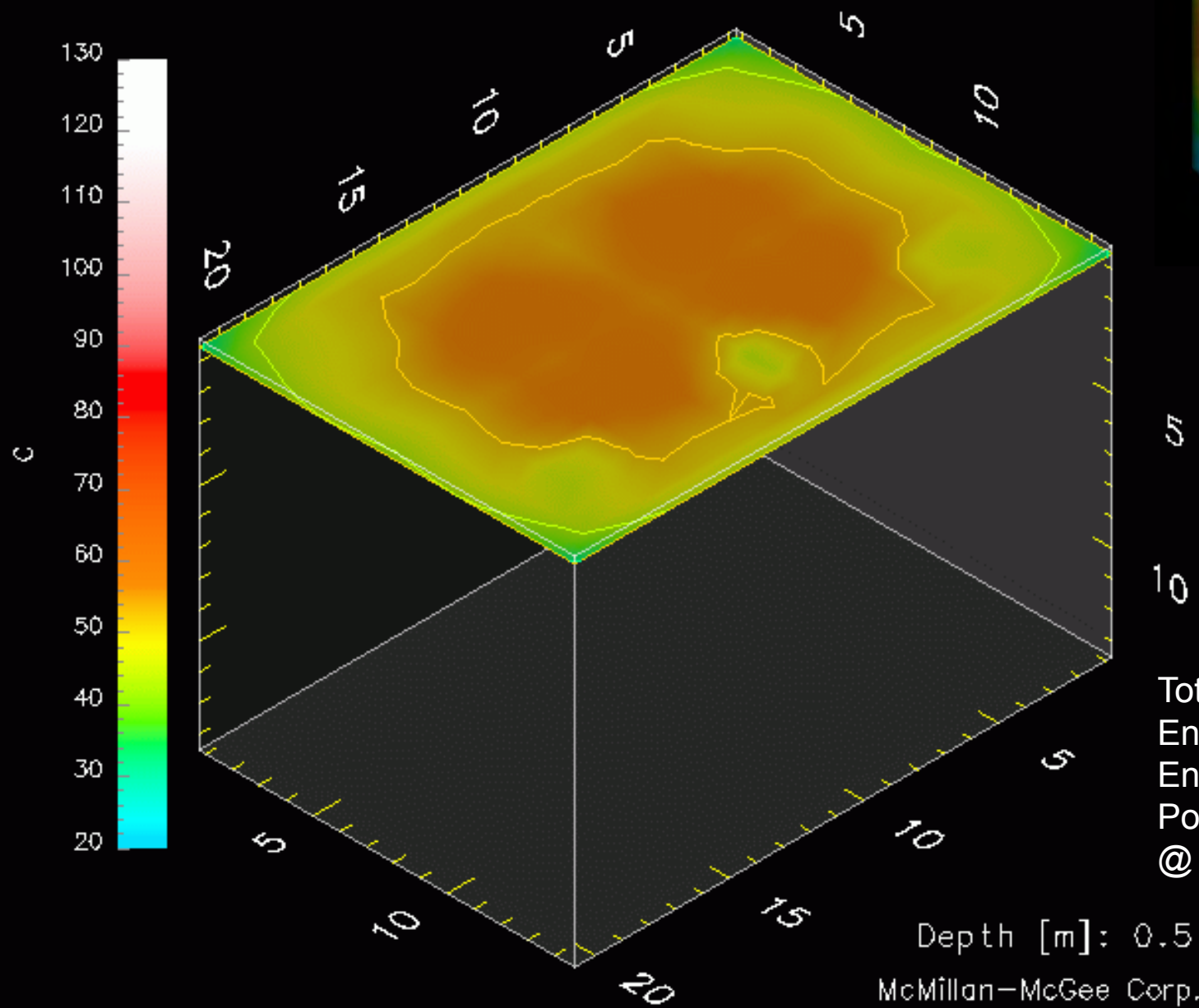


Mass Transfer

Electromagnetics



Heat Transfer



Total Volume: 4,150 m³
Energy: 547,000 kWhr
Energy: 132 kWhr/m³
Power Cost: \$7.91/m³
@ \$US0.06 per kWhr

Real Time Internet Based Data Monitoring



ET-DSP™ Components

Electrodes

- up to 10-feet long
- 8 to 10-inches in diameter
- Installed in a 10 to 12-inch borehole to the appropriate depth
- The effective length of a single electrode is 16-18 feet
- Designed to be abandoned in place



Power Delivery System

- 600/480 Volt primary
- Multi-tap secondary
- ET-DSP™ control logic
- Web-ready with complete internet connectivity



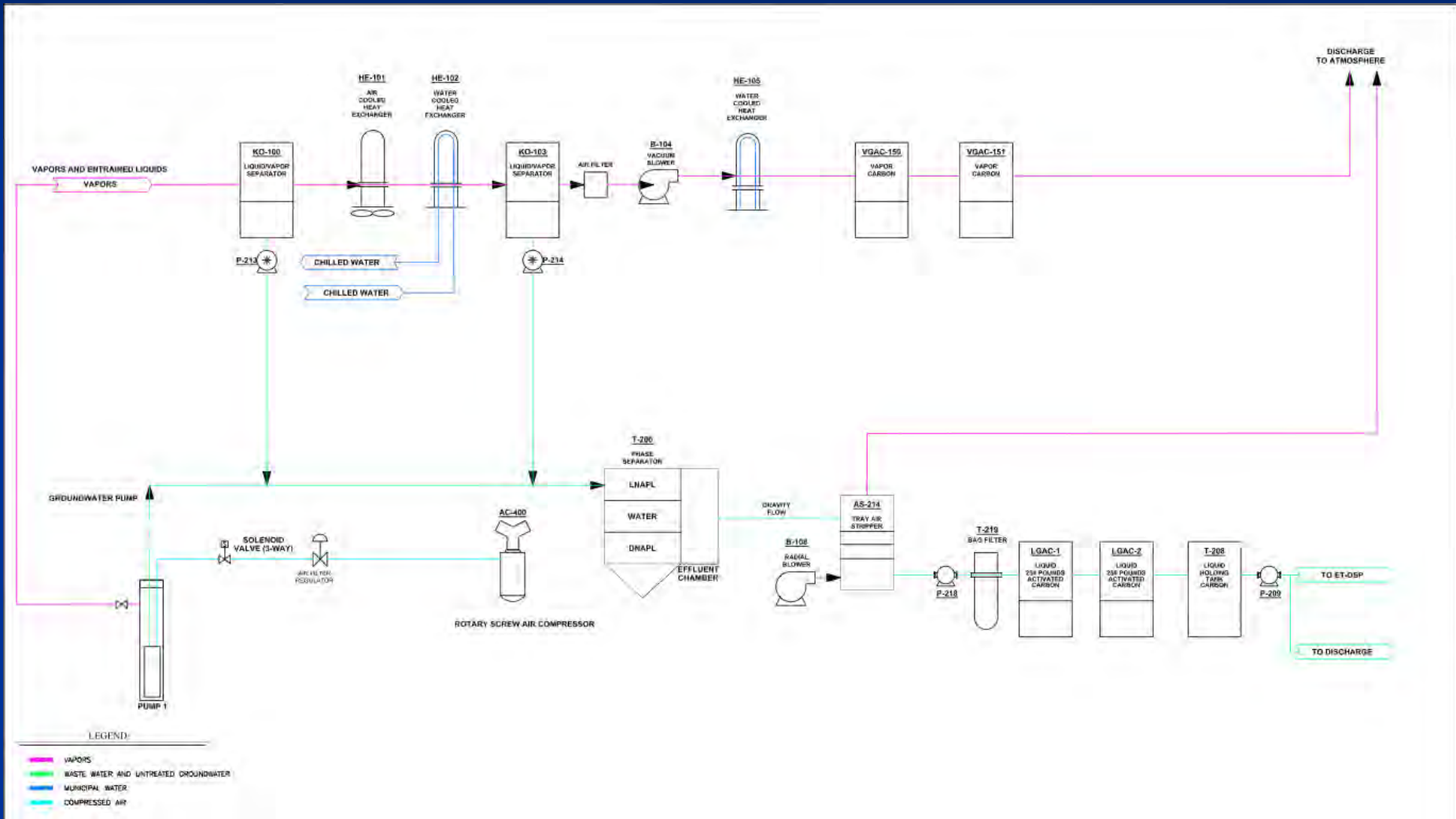
Water Circulation Systems

- Each WCS is mated to a PDS in a master/slave configuration
- Independent control for each electrode
- ET-DSP™ control logic
- Fully web enabled and controlled via Internet



Treatment System

Simple Process Flow Diagram



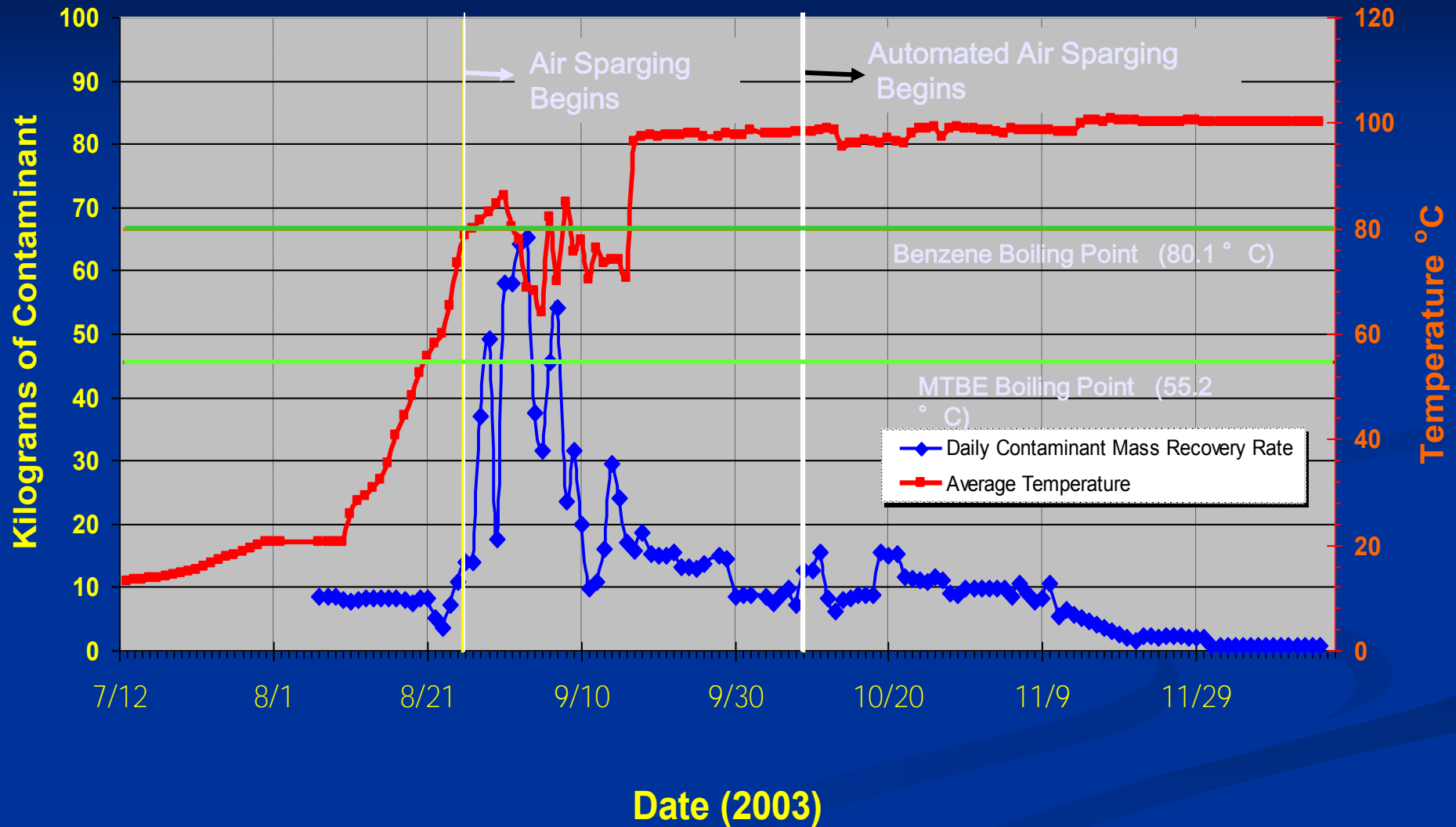
Preparing to lower an electrode



Electrode/AS/SVE Layout



Daily Contaminant Mass Recovery Rate and Temperature



Groundwater Samples - Pre ERH (red), Post ERH (black)

SAMPLE ID	Sample Date	MTBE	Benzene	Toluene	Ethylbenzene	Total Xylenes	Naphthalene	C9-C10 Aromatics	C5-C8 Aliphatics	C9-C12 Aliphatics	Total Purgeable Hydrocarbons
WQB-7 Human Health Standard	-----	30	5	1,000	700	10,000	28	None	None	None	None
Proposed RBSL for Groundwater	-----	30	5	1,000	700	10,000	28	100	350	1,000	1,000
HW-93-2	4/23/03	980	28,500	36,400	2,950	18,900	529	21,100	112,000	31,500	165,000
HW-93-2	12/19/03	Not enough water present in new slant well to sample.									
DT-01@23'	6/25/03	58,700	3,050	1,980	156	776	31	338	60,200	488	55,000
DT-01 @ 23'	12/19/03	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	21	ND	25
DT-01 @ 23' (duplicate)	12/19/03	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.4	ND	ND	22	24	35
DT-05@ 23'	7/02/03	22,200	3,280	7,110	382	1,950	51	950	89,000	662	85,400
DT-05 @ 23'	12/19/03	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
DT-07@ 23'	7/02/03	8,570	1,470	2,410	148	798	40	431	10,500	386	13,400
DT-07@ 23'	12/23/03	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	23	ND	24

ET-DSP Highlights

- Total run time – 180 days
- Complete removal of BTEX and MTBE in the target zone.
- Total Cost: \$500,000 +
- Includes drilling, electricity, equipment rental etc.

Orlando





Tampa Wellfield





Tampa












Select Projects & Site Photos

- Private Site - Atlanta
 - Area: ~1,200 m²
 - Volume: ~42,000 m³
 - Duration: 9 months
 - Mass Removal: ~200,000 kg



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Questions?

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