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Michigan's Investigative Approach for Petroleum Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway (VIAP)

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Agenda



Foundation of Michigan's Approach



Michigan Guidance Document for the
Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway (VIAP)

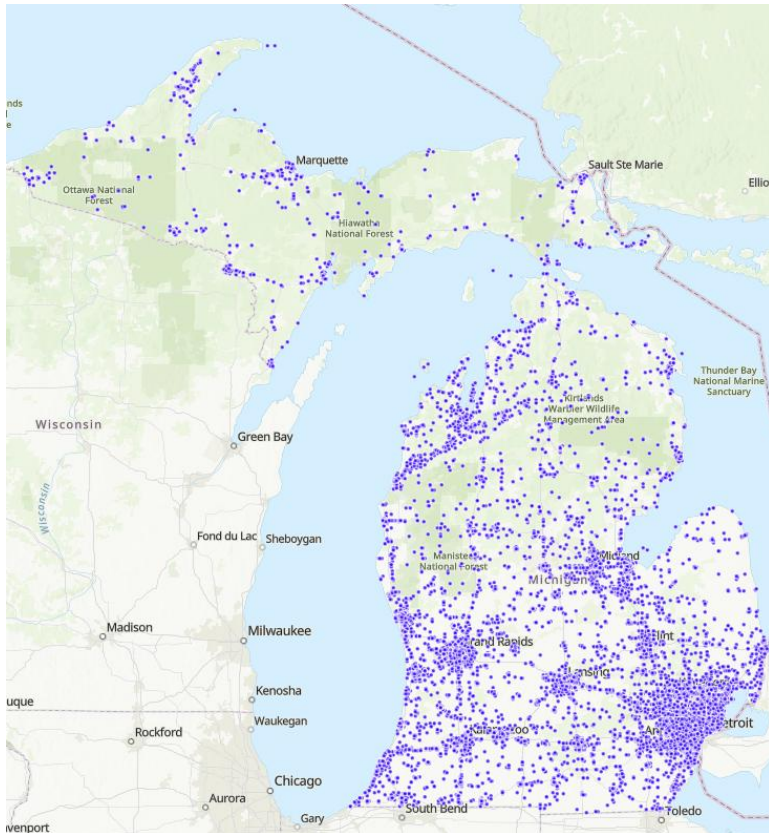


Step-wise approach for petroleum

Background

Part 201 and Part 213

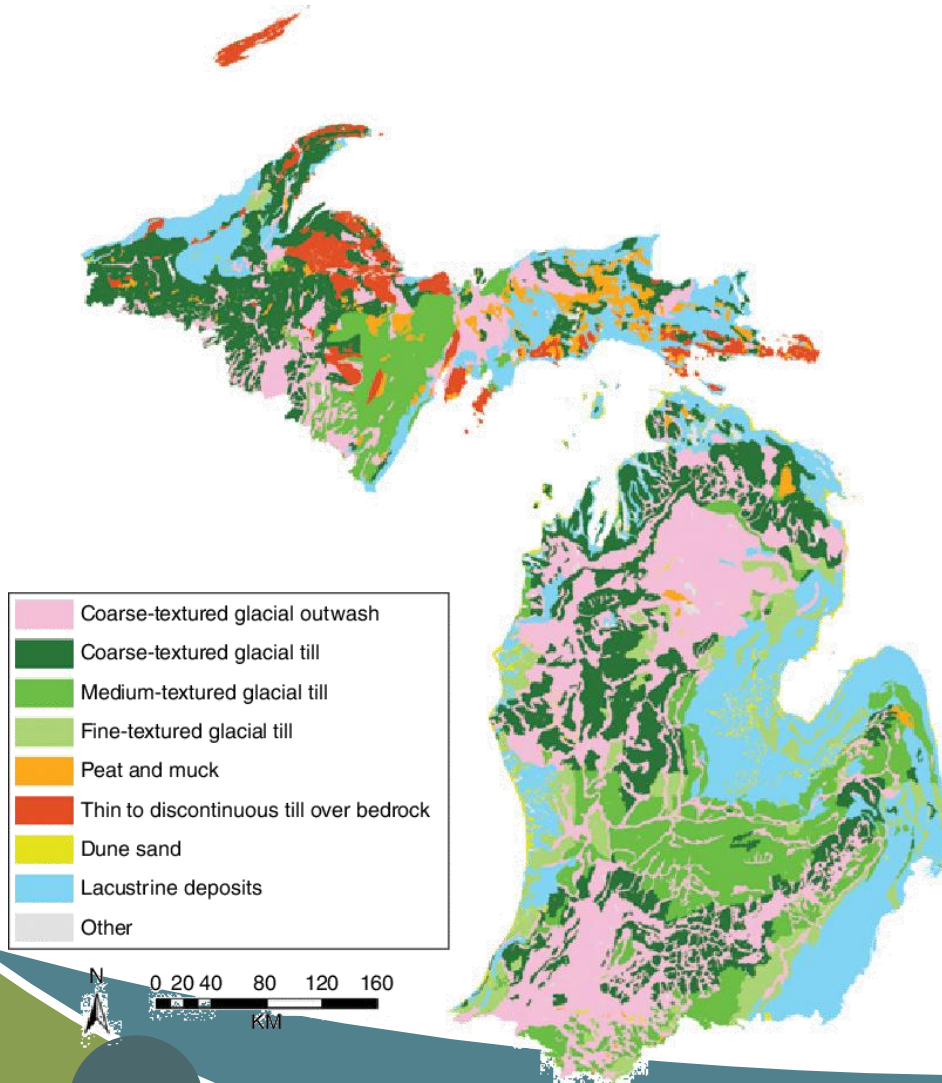
- Part 201 is primarily concerned with environmental remediation from a broader range of releases
- Part 213 addresses leaking underground storage tanks (6,000+ open)
- Both:
 - Parts of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA)
 - Provide a framework for managing and mitigating environmental contamination
 - ***Are not exclusive to petroleum***
 - Terminology is not the same
 - Causation liability



Part 201 Facilities

Background

Glacial, Soil Types, and Topography

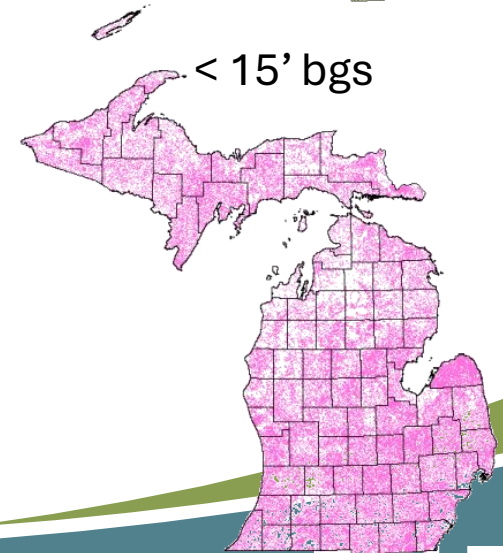
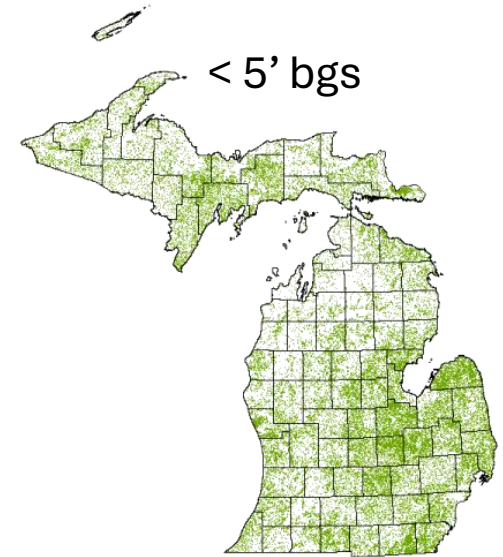
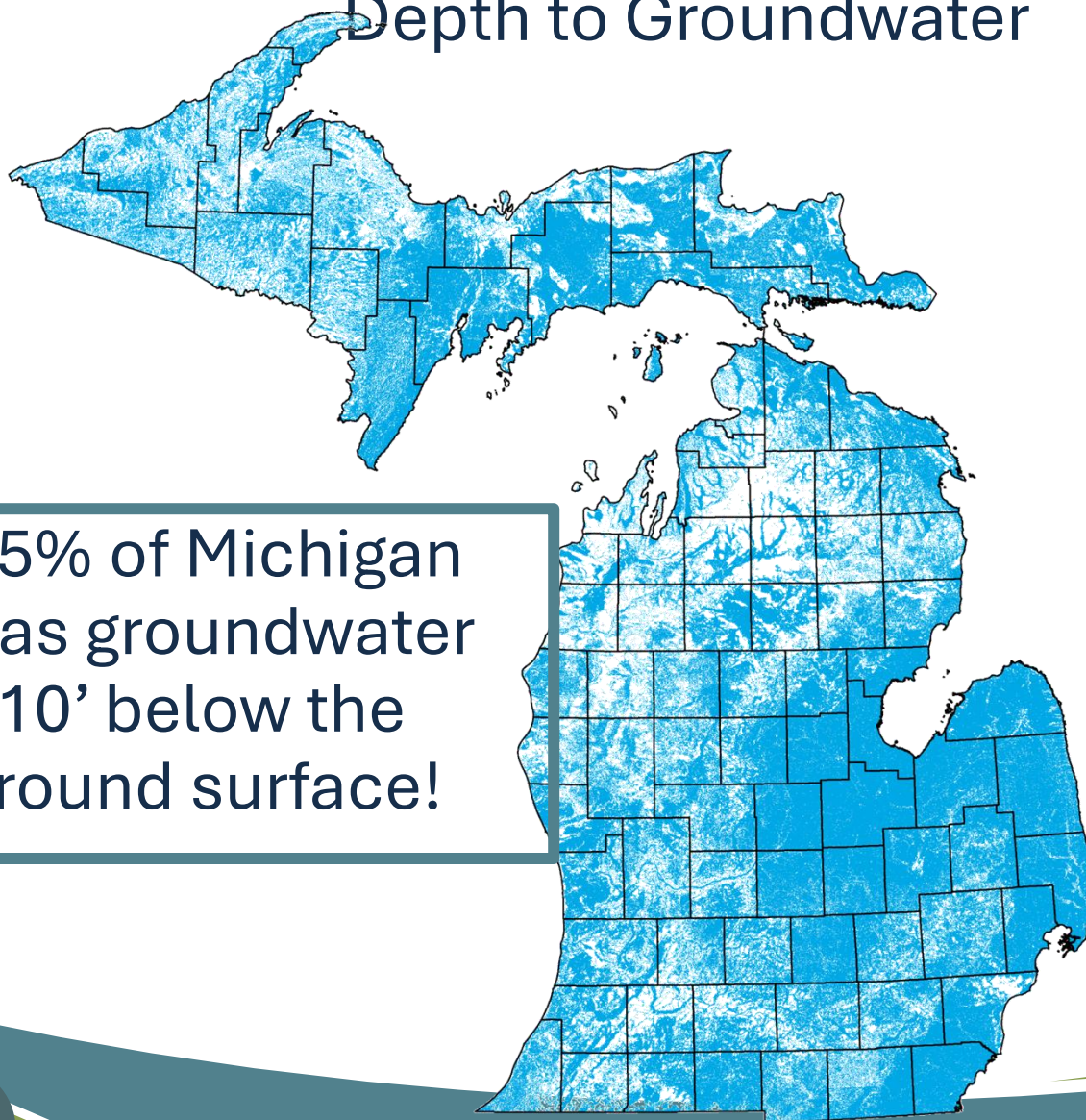


- A diverse landscape
 - Flat plains to rugged hills
- Two peninsulas
 - Elevation change of 1408 feet
 - 571 feet -shore of Lake Erie
 - 1979 feet - Mount Arvon
- Heavily influence by glaciers
- Lots of water – multiple lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams
- Significant sand dunes along the Lake Michigan shoreline, some reaching heights over 200 feet

Background

Depth to Groundwater

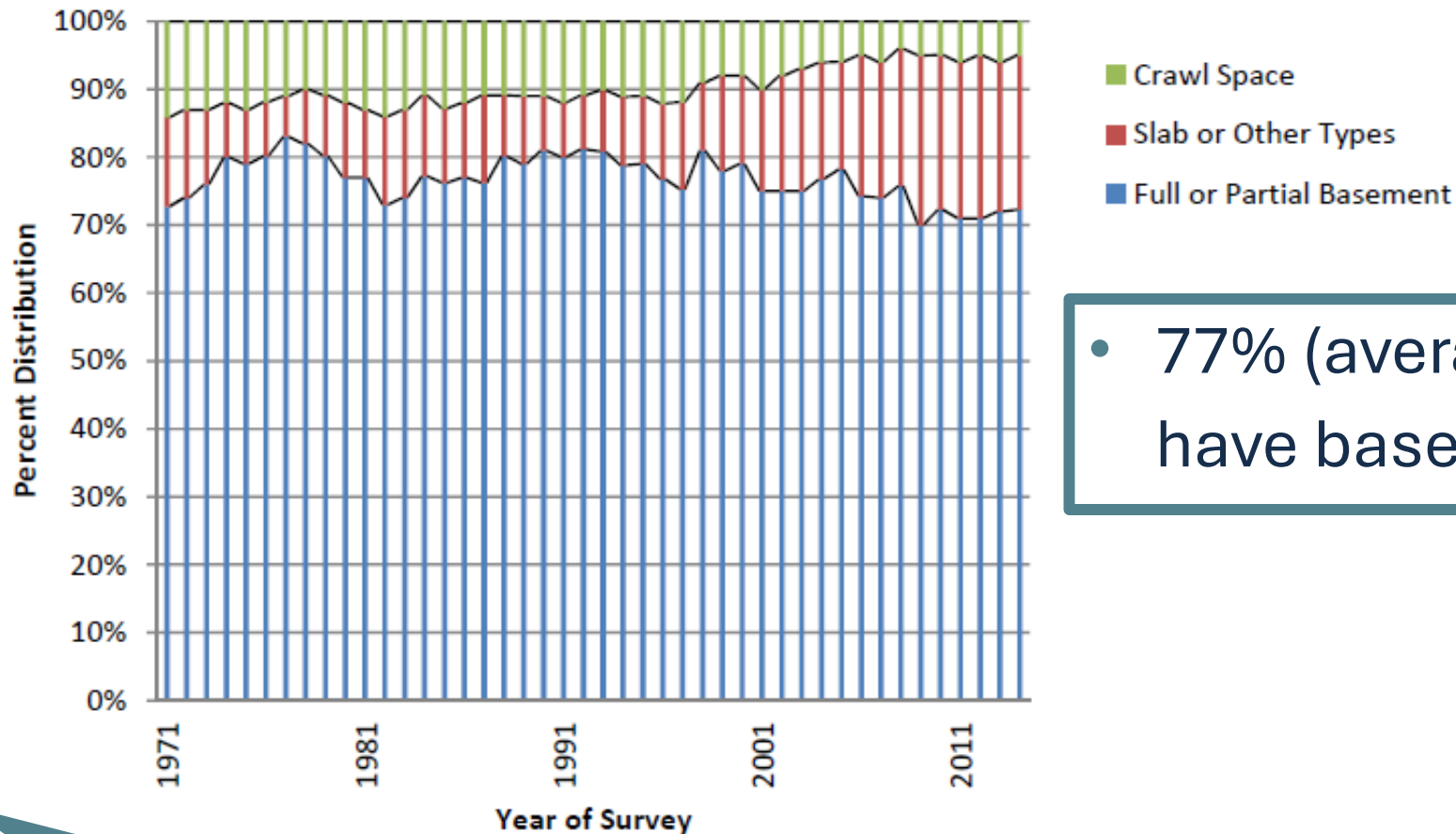
- 65% of Michigan has groundwater <10' below the ground surface!



Background

Foundations

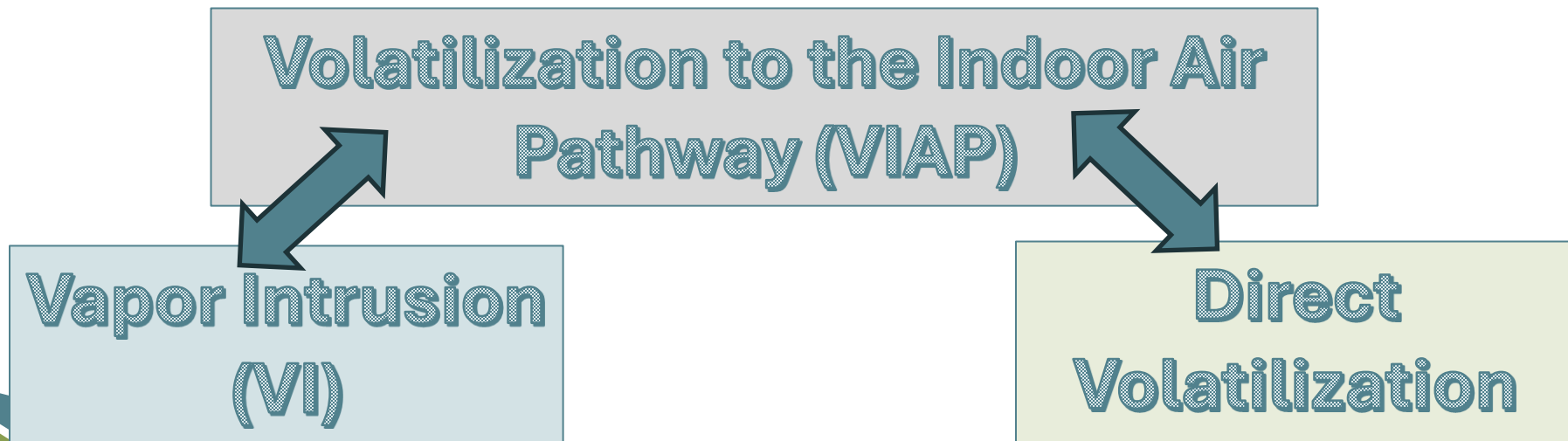
Type of Foundations Single Family – Midwest



- 77% (average) have basements!

In short...

- Statute must address a wide range of sites where shallow groundwater and basements are common
 - Utilities and conduits are likely to be near groundwater
 - Deeper vapor sampling is not always possible
 - Separation Distances are not very helpful
- VIAP



Data Evaluation

- Database with data from state-funded sites



Vapor Trends: A 5-Year Data Journey

A five-year snapshot of FDI's super-data collected across 160 major cities that contained both petroleum and ethinoplast components. All work is state funded and conducted by FDI, as well as their contractors and associates for the state laboratory.

Overview

Total number of sites	310
Number of hazardous substances excluded	78
Total number of vapor samples	3021
Times a hazardous substance was detected in a sample	9921
Times a hazardous substance was detected above a criterion	601
Sites with petroleum components	314
Petroleum sites with potential risk	82
Sites with TCE, PCE, and Co-detections	60
TCE, PCE, and Co-facilities above a criterion	69
Sites with both risks exceeded	13

TOP 10 EFFECTS		
Rank	Effect description	Frequency
1	Excess of water	1016
2	Excess of water	1011
3	Excess of water	1000
4	Excess of water	1000
5	Excess of water	1000
6	Excess of water	1000
7	Excess of water	1000
8	Excess of water	1000
9	Excess of water	1000
10	Excess of water	1000

TOP 10 ABOUT OTHER		
Rank	Researcher's full name	Number
1	Shawarbeni, A. A. A.	260
2	Ali, H. M. H.	181
3	El-Sayeh, M.	169
4	El-Sayeh, M.	169
5	El-Sayeh, M.	169
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Quick Thoughts

-The data was collected for a variety of purposes and reasons and may not be representative of the vapor source.

- Most of the sites, based on names and funding obtained, are associated with a gas stations

-Chlorinated compounds and petroleum compounds were commonly detected at a facility. However, the potential unacceptable risks from both types of compounds was only identified on less than 5% of the sites

-The use of 10x a criterion is based on professional judgement and the potential that if a "true" site-specific criteria was developed, it would still exceed criteria and site-specific conditions

-Dichlorodifluoromethane (R-12), Chloromethane (R-40) and even chloroform, have uses as a refrigerant and are commonly detected. However, they are not commonly associated as a contaminant of concern.

Abstract

*All samples analyzed were air data with vapor sample identifiers

-Sites were assessed to have a petroleum release due to the presence of hexane, ethylhexane, methylcyclopentane, 2,2,4-trimethylpentane, pentane, and 2,4-dichlorobenzene.

-These botanical substances were listed on the number of times identified above criterion.

- Vapor collection was based on the 0.02 attenuation into the index

- Extension of a criterion does not raise an unacceptable risk
Admissions used: TCE - Trichloroethylene, PCE -
Tetrachloroethylene, Cis-cis-1,3-Dichloroethylene

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Available Data

- All data collected on state-funded sites using the same lab and sampling procedures
- Identified:
 - COCs
 - COCs above criteria
 - Sites
 - more

Overview

Total number of sites:	350
Number of hazardous substances evaluated ^a :	76
Total number of vapor samples:	4031
Times a hazardous substances was detected in a sample:	9501
Times a hazardous substances was detected above a criterion:	681
Site with petroleum compounds:	334
Petroleum sites with potential risk ^b :	90
Sites with TCE, PCE, and Cis- detections:	305
TCE, PCE, and Cis- facilities above a criterion:	63
Sites with both risks present:	16

Still on-going

					DETECTION										EXCEED CRITERIA									
2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Project	Tetrachloroethylene	Trichloroethylene	cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene	Benzene	Ethylbenzene	Methylcyclopentane	2,2,4-Trimethylpentane	Pentane	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	Tetrachloroethylene	Trichloroethylene	cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene	Benzene	Ethylbenzene	Methylcyclopentane	2,2,4-Trimethylpentane	Pentane	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	
				X	108 ADAMS SITE/108 ADAMS STREET, BAY CITY	1	0	0	2	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
				X	1111 west nine mile road	4	0	0	4	4	4	3	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	X				119 EAST WESLEY STREET	4	0	0	4	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
				X	125 EAST MAIN STREET	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
X	X				1250 MADISON AVE SE	38	49	2	26	28	0	15	0	10	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

What types of sites

- Brownfield Site Assessments
- Former gas stations and drycleaners
- Brownfields
- Regulatory Interest



Quick Take on the Findings:

TOP 10 DETECTIONS		
<u>Rank</u>	<u>Hazardous Substance</u>	<u>Number</u>
1	Bromofluorobenzene	2793
2	Dichlorodifluoromethane	2189
3	m & p - Xylene	1934
4	Chloromethane	1918
5	Toluene	1913
6	Tetrachloroethylene	1632
7	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	1311
8	o-Xylene	1310
9	n-Heptane	1195
10	Ethylbenzene	1057

TOP 10 ABOVE CRITERIA		
<u>Rank</u>	<u>Hazardous Substance</u>	<u>Number</u>
1	Tetrachloroethylene	137
2	Trichloroethylene	89
3	Chloroform	64
4	Benzene	58
5	Methylcyclopentane	48
6	2,2,4-Trimethylpentane	47
7	Pentane	42
8	Ethylbenzene	38
9	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	36
10	cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene	19

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Detections > 10 Times Criteria (in alphabetical order)		
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	1,3-Dichlorobenzene	8
	cis-1,2-Dichloroethylene	8
	1,2,4-Trimethylbenzene	6
	sec-Butylbenzene	6
	1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	4
	n-Heptane	4
	Isopropylbenzene	3
	Vinyl chloride	3
	1,2,3-Trimethylbenzene	1

EGLE's VIAP Guidance Document



Electronic Guidebook broken into different Volumes

Volume 1 – Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway (VIAP) Overview

Volume 2 – Investigation Methods for the Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway (VIAP)

Volume 3 – Investigation Approach for Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway (VIAP)

Volume 4 – Investigative Approach for Petroleum Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway (VIAP)

Volume 5 – Response Activity for the Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway (VIAP)

Volume 6 – Volatilization to the Indoor Air Criteria

Volume 7 – Updates

- [Guidance document for the Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway \(VIAP\)](#)

New Standard Operating Procedures

Volume 2 – Currently undergoing internal review

Collecting Soil Gas from
Low Permeability
Subsurface Material

Crawlspace Sampling via
USEPA TO-15

Sampling Vapor Utilizing
an Active Sorbent
Analytical Method to
Support Vapor Intrusion
Investigations

Conduit Liquid Sampling

Conduit Vapor Sampling
via TO-15

Conduit Vapor Sampling
via Passive Sampling

Conduit Sediment
Sampling

Pneumatic Testing of
Subsurface Soil to
Evaluate Permeability
and Vapor Transmission

Establishing a Liner
Diffusion Coefficient

Building Pressure
Control/Controlled
Pressure Testing

Building Pressure Testing
to Prove Out an Active
Vapor Mitigation System

Determination of
Advective or Passive Flow
of Vapors for Methane

New Vapor Insights or FAQ's

Evaluation of Conduits and Sewers from Petroleum Releases

Assessing the Potential for Unacceptable Risk Without Soil Gas Data Due to Shallow Groundwater

Is shallow soil gas (<5' below ground) representative of a soil gas sample directly beneath a slab on grade structure?

What is Soil Sampling good for when assessing the Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway?

How to Assess the Potential for Unacceptable Risk to Occur Without a Building

Evaluate Permeability and Vapor Transmission

Shutting Down a VMS - Speed at which vapor migrates/Time to Equilibrate

What is a Leaky Building?

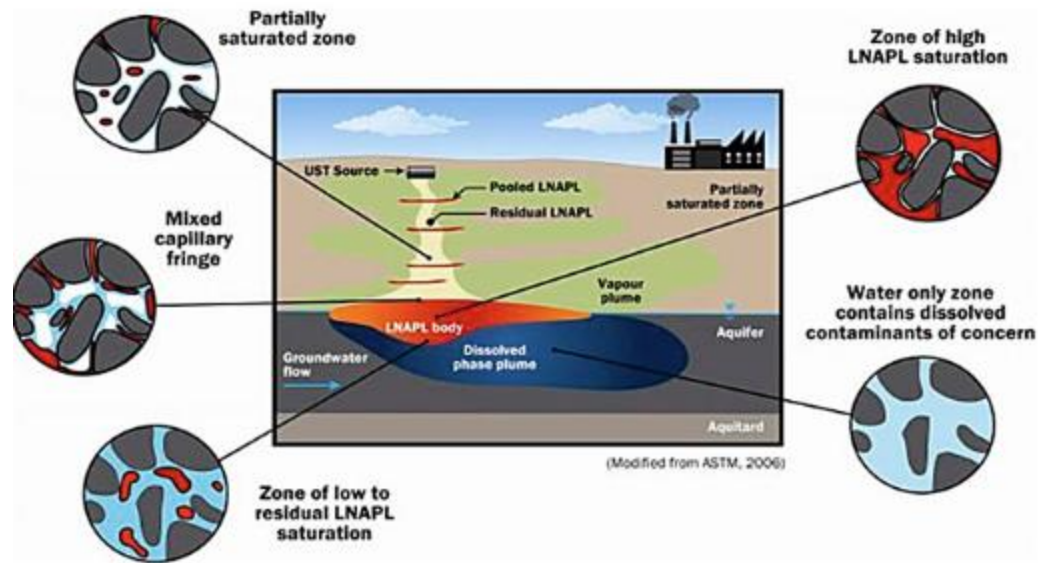


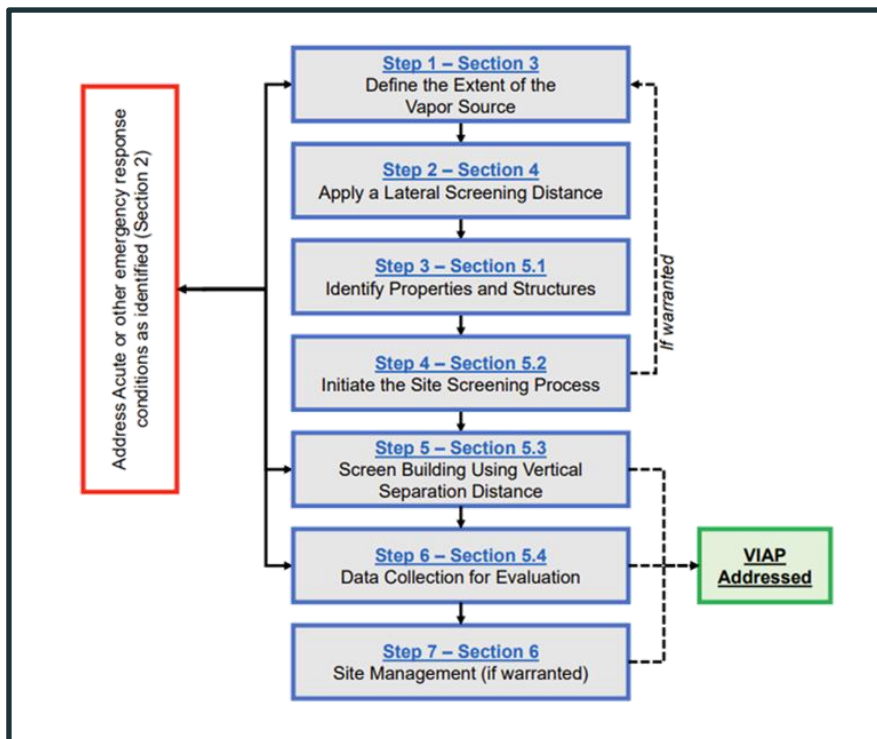
Figure 3-2. The multiphase system of a typical LNAPL body (CL:AIRE 2014 [26]).

Investigative Approach for Petroleum Volatilization to the Indoor Air Pathway (VIAP)

Volume 4

Volume 4 Overview

- Identifies a step-wise approach
- Soil concentrations along with other lines of evidence can be used to establish the extent of NAPL
- Risk evaluation is based on NAPL and GW only
- Links EGLE'S 2023 Petroleum NAPL Guidance and other key information



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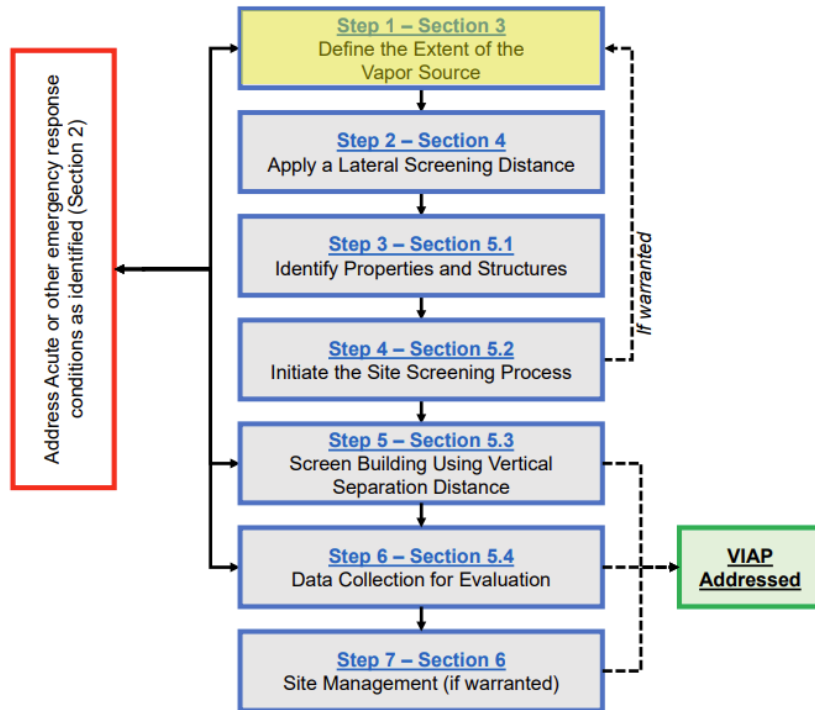
Focus for Petroleum

- Based on data unacceptable risks are associated with:
 - Non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) is near or entering structure
 - Enters through a sump
 - Seeps through a wall
 - Mobile NAPL has entered utility that is connected to structure; or
 - Contaminated groundwater is entering structure

NOTE: *If these don't exist, initial CSM should be VIAP not likely current risk... still need to consider **future risks***

Step 1

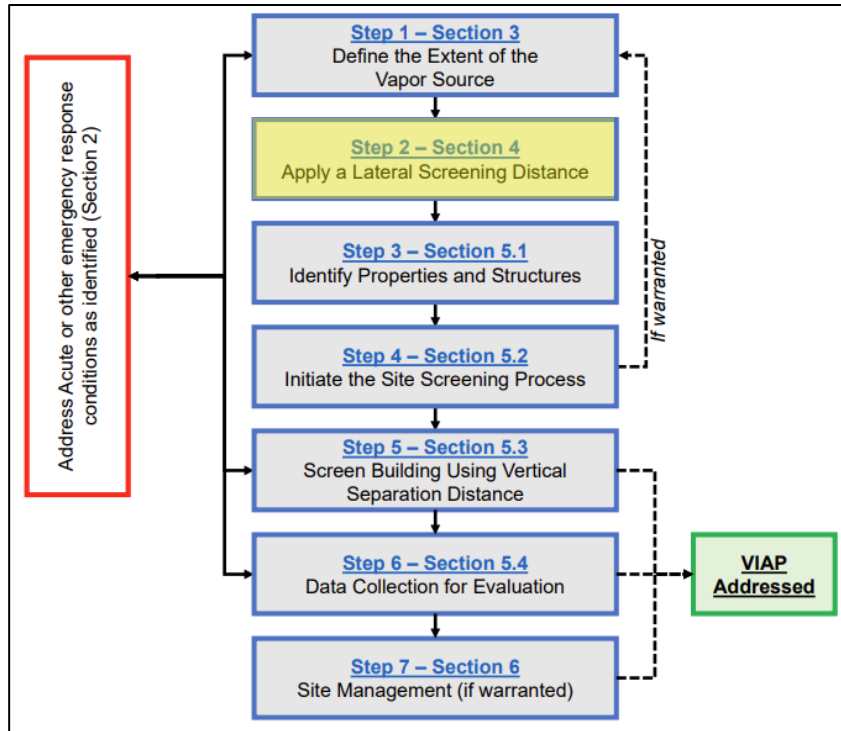
Define the Extent of the Vapor Source



- Defines extent of release and where there is reasonable potential for exposure
- NAPL
 - Includes residual, mobile, and migrating NAPL
 - Groundwater
- Based on depth of groundwater below grade
- Based on current or reasonably anticipated future land use
- Need to consider residential criteria for offsite migration

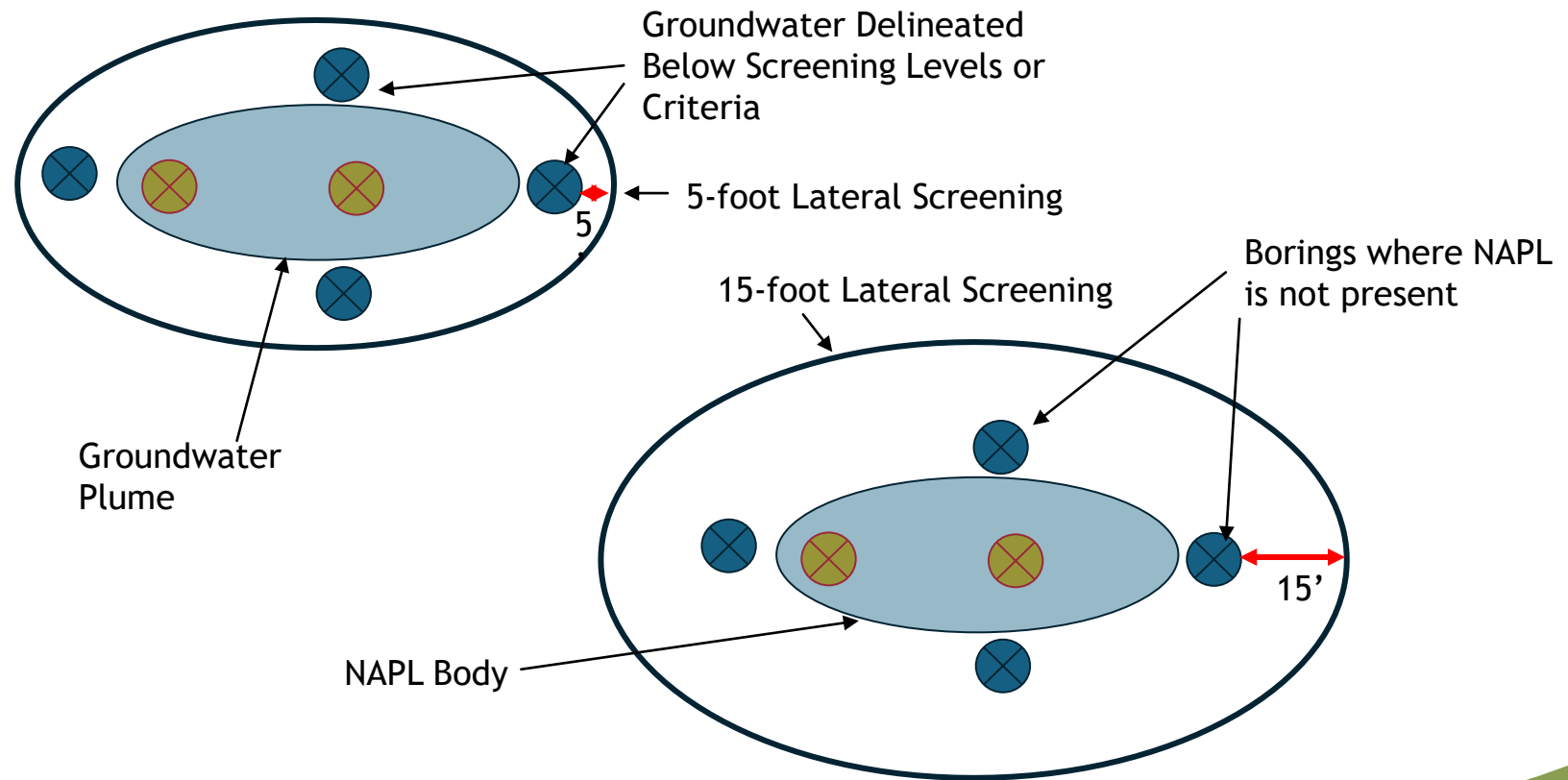
Step 2

Apply a Lateral Screening Distance



- For well characterized vapor source:
 - 15-feet from NAPL
 - 5-feet for groundwater contamination (i.e., dissolved-phase sources)
- 30-feet LIZ may be applied for facility that is not well characterized
- Physical features or obstructions (e.g., a road) that require that spacing of is long distance and extent of contamination is interpolated

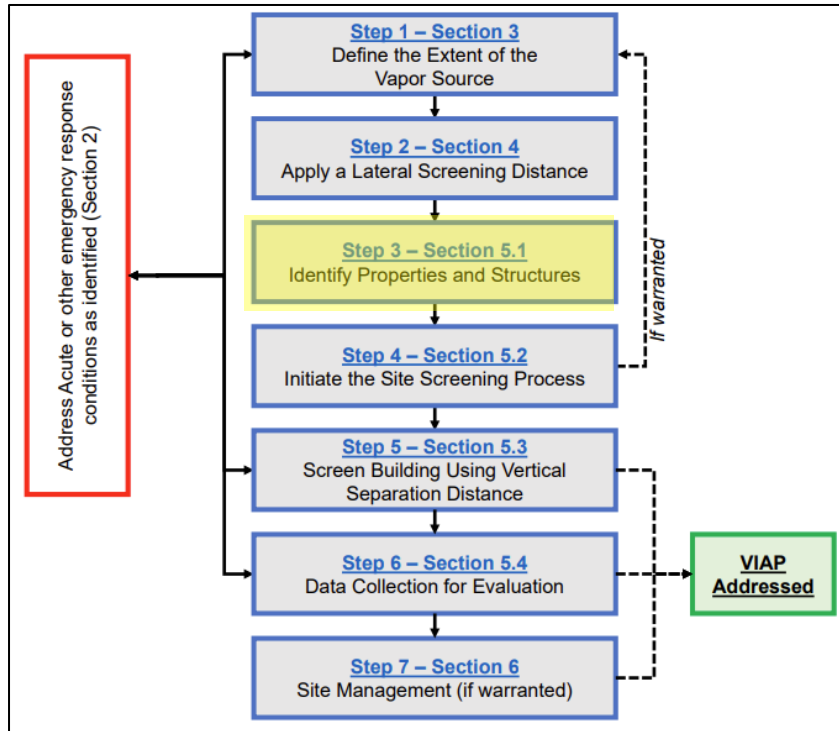
What does “well characterize” mean?



Step 3

Identify Properties, Structures, and Conduits

- Identify all properties, structures, and conduits within the lateral inclusion zone



Step 3

Necessary Information

Table 5-1

Information on the Buildings, Properties, and Utilities Required

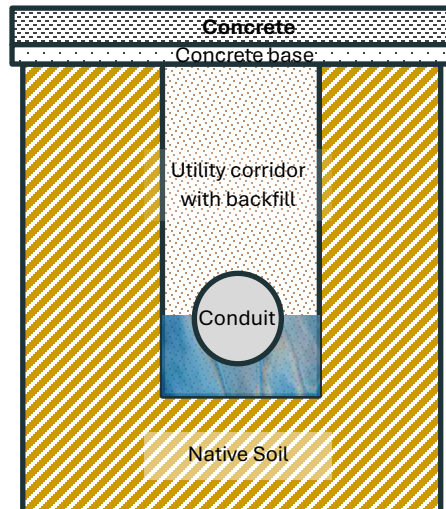
Building, Property, or Utility	Information required
Properties	• Lot lines • Current use or property restrictions
Structures	• Depth below grade of current structure • Construction materials and methods • Foundation • Presence of the sump or other features that may allow for the direct volatilization to occur
Utilities	• Location • Depth below ground • Ability to transport vapors and have a mobile NAPL vapor source enter into it
Backfill surrounding the Utilities	• Type of soil found at the property and throughout the facility

Conduits

2 situations that must be considered

Within a Conduit

- Must be in contact with mobile NAPL
- Can not be full or under pressure (need head space for vapor migration)
- Must connect to a structure
- **Can result in direct path for vapors into structures**



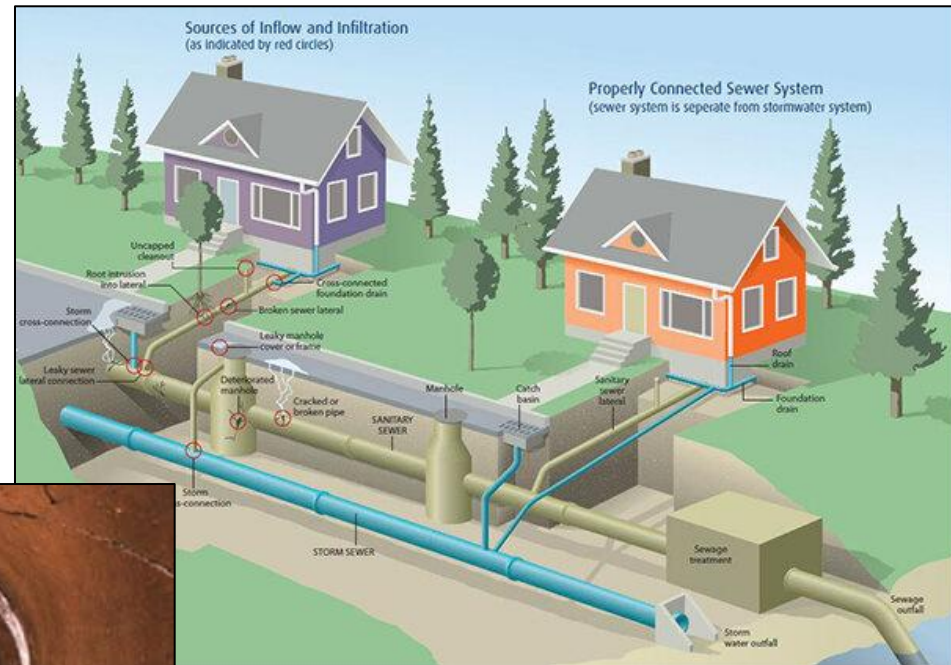
Within the Backfill

- Must be more permeable than surrounding soil
- **More of a characterization issue** as source can go where we may not expect – do not need to chase vapors any further than typical LIZ

Utilities vs Conduits

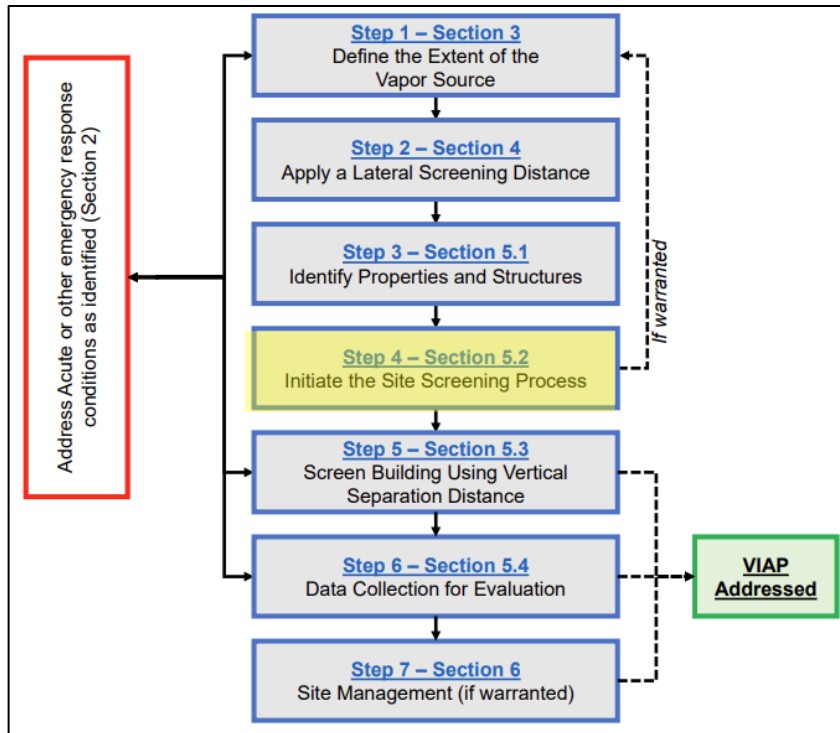
- Conduits must be:
 - Connected to a structure
 - Able to transport vapors

— W —	— WATER LINE
— S —	— SANITARY SEWER LINE
— ST —	— STORM SEWER LINE
— G —	— UNDERGROUND GAS MAIN LINE
— OHE —	— UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC LINE
— ED —	— EDGE DRAIN
— OHE —	— OVERHEAD ELECTRIC LINE
— OHT —	— OVERHEAD TELEPHONE LINE
— OE/T —	— OVERHEAD ELECTRIC/TELEPHONE LINE



Step 4

Initiate the Site Screening Process

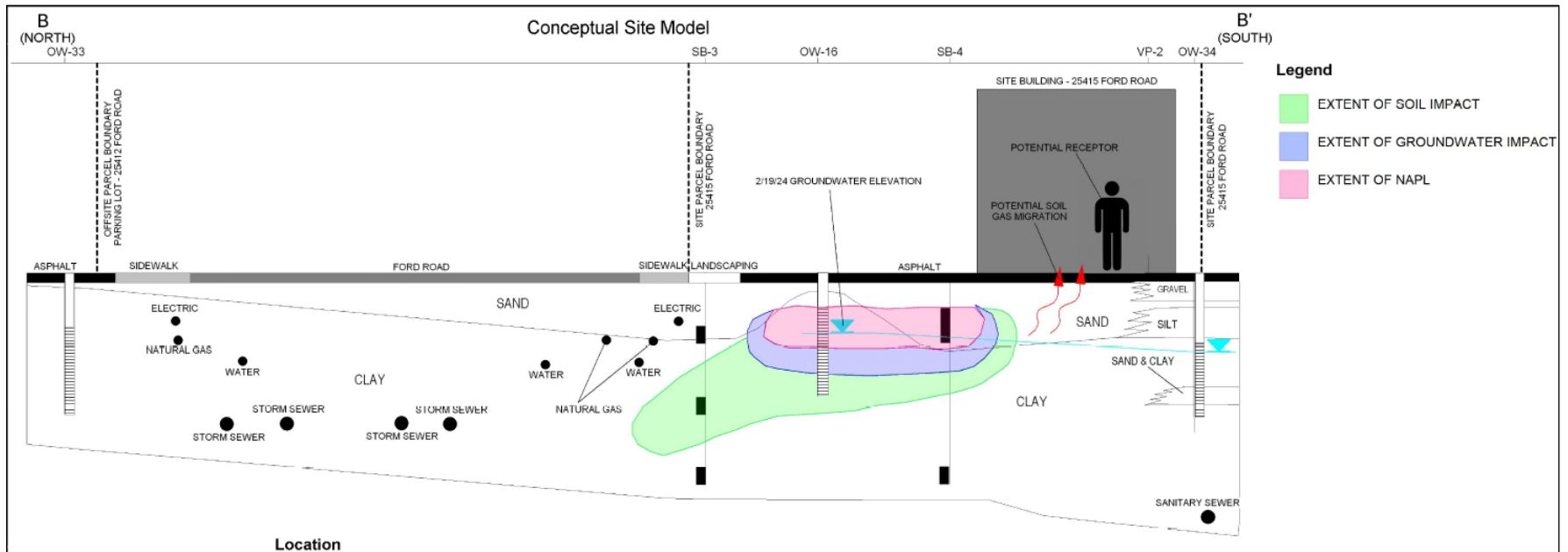


- Need to understand structures and their construction to be able to vertically screen out structure from needing further evaluation
- For conduits, need to know elevation of utilities and where mobile NAPL located

Can you answer the following?

- Is the depth of groundwater known?
- What is the depth of the building foundation (only slab or sump) below grade?
- Is the location of the vapor source known?
- Is the distance between the vapor source and the structure known?
- Where are conduits located in relation to the mobile NAPL (if present)?
- Can the mobile NAPL enter the conduit?

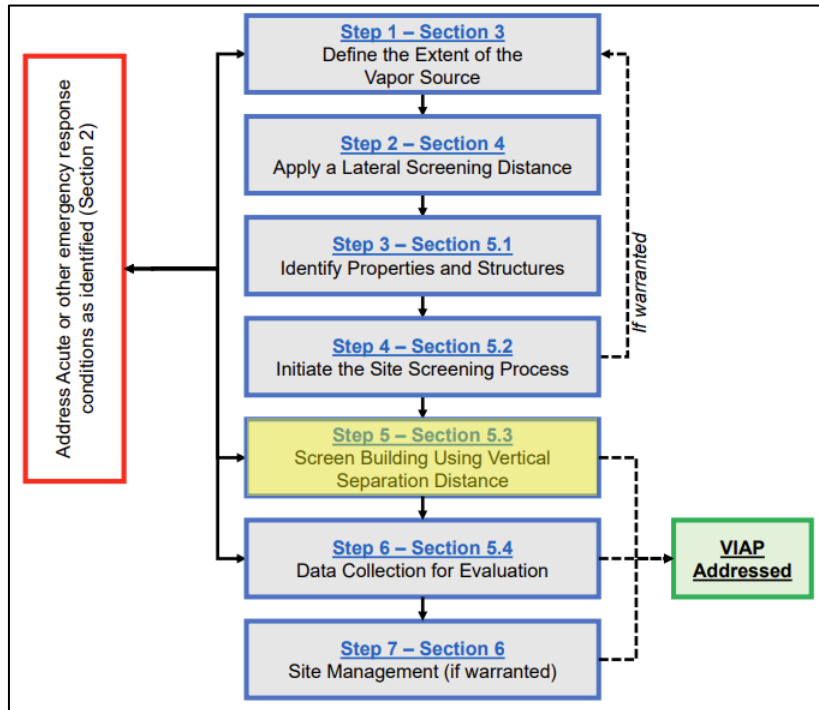
Cross Sections



NOTE: Cross sections aid in showing how utilities screen out and which buildings screen in

Step 5

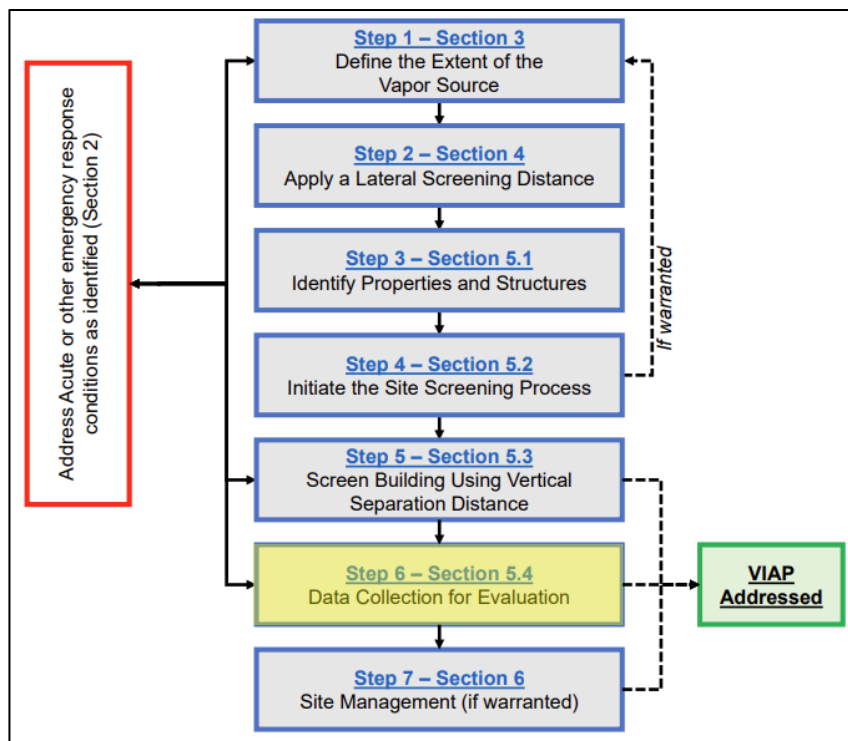
Screen Building using the Vertical Separation Distance



- Based on measured vertical separation distance between slab or depth of any sumps that may allow for direct volatilization to occur and
 - Top of groundwater and/or
 - NAPL vapor source
- This distance is not be estimated

Step 6

Data Collection for Evaluation



- Only for:
 - Those structures that do not screen out
 - There is need to reduce lateral inclusion zone
 - Utilities in contact with mobile NAPL

Soil Gas Data

- Soil gas can:
 - Aid in vapor source and NAPL delineation
 - Be used to shrink LIZ
 - Show there is no current unacceptable risk, and
 - Can also be used to show compliance with the soil and groundwater criteria/screening levels

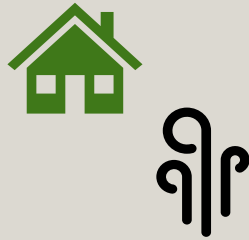
NOTE: Representative soil gas can show any concentration of groundwater or NAPL is in compliance, but it may not remove need for **land or use restriction** if future use cannot be evaluated.

Data Collection and Evaluation

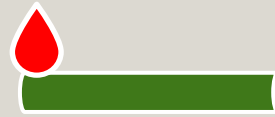
Type of Sites



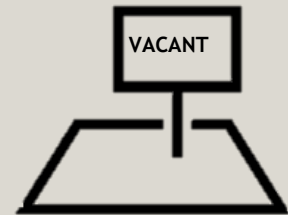
**Structure
over a
Vapor
Source, in
contact and
not in
contact
(Section
C.1.0)**



**Structure
adjacent to
a Vapor
Source
(Section
C.1.2)**



**Conduit in
Contact
with mobile
NAPL
(Section
C.2.3)**



**Structures
are Not
Currently
Present
(Section
C.2.4)**

Data Collection and Evaluation

Sample Events and Numbers

Potential Vapor Source and Distance to Receptor	Soil Gas Sample Results	Minimum Number of Rounds
NAPL ≤ 5-feet	< VIAC	4
NAPL 5 – 10-feet	< VIAC	3
NAPL 10 – 15-feet	< VIAC	2
Dissolved Groundwater Source	< VIAC	1

Building Size	Sample Density	Minimum Number of Sampling Locations
Less than 1,000-ft²	Not Applicable	2
1,000-feet – 10,000-ft²	3 + one additional sample per 1,500 ft ² of building over 1,000 ft ²	3
Greater than 10,000-ft²	9 + one additional sample per 2,500 ft ² of building over 10,000 ft ²	9

Data Collection and Evaluation

NAPL entering a Conduit

Table- C-4 – Mobile NAPL Vapor Source entering an Underground Conduit

Known or Suspected	Sampling Frequency of Conduit Vapors	Response Action
Not in Contact	None	Not applicable
In contact and determined to not be entering utility	None	Response Actions may be needed to ensure vapor source will not enter in the future.
Suspected but unconfirmed	Quarterly for 1 year	Any detection in the conduit above the SSVIAC moves the utility into the known vapor source entering into an underground conduit. Response Actions may be needed to ensure vapor source will not enter in the future.
Known – Occurring	Progress sampling weekly until the vapor source is controlled. Structures connected to the utility should be evaluated for the entry of vapors and explosive conditions.	Implement immediate response activity – considered occurring until response activity is complete.
Known – post corrective or response action	Sample monthly for 3 months then quarterly for 3 additional quarters	Any detection above the SSVIAC requires sampling to return to the <i>Known – Occurring</i> sampling frequency

Volume 4

Summary and Quick Takes



- Step-wise approach to petroleum
 - There are other approaches that may be appropriate
 - Need to understand the extent of NAPL
 - NAPL definition includes residual, mobile, and migrating
- Conduits
 - Focus on those utilities that can transport vapors to a structure and are in contact with mobile NAPL

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