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SE/4, NE/4 (H) SECTION 21, T29N, R13W, NMPM  
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Amoco Production Company proposes to remediate soil and groundwater contamination associated with the production equipment and storage system associated with the subject well located south of Farmington, in the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 21, Township 29N, Range 13W, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico. This remedial action plan was developed by Amoco Production Company and Envirotech, Inc. based on the findings of field pit assessments of the production overflow pit and an abandoned separator pit, and the draft "Guidelines to Surface Impoundment Closure" (October 29, 1991), State of New Mexico, Oil Conservation Division (NMOCD).

Full implementation of this Remedial Action Plan will be contingent on the approval of NMOCD.

PURPOSE & SCOPE OF SERVICES

This purpose of the proposed remediation is to abate soil and groundwater contamination caused by discharge during the normal operation of the subject oil/gas production well initially operated by Tenneco Oil and presently operated by Amoco Production. The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division's guidelines and protocol will be followed.

The proposed scope of work for this remediation and abatement will consist of:

- A. Notification of the NMOCD and any other appropriate authorities of the intent to remediate the referenced site.
- B. Review of the pit assessments which were conducted to determine if hydrocarbon contamination was present in previous unlined pit areas and to define the extent of the hydrocarbon contaminated areas.

- C. Abatement of the contaminated areas by excavation, removal and treatment of the highly contaminated soils in the area of the separator pit and installation of a groundwater treatment system to abate the spill incidents.
- D. Field assessment during the abatement for closure of the site.
- E. Documentation of the abatement and closure.

## SITE DESCRIPTION

The San Juan Gravel A-1E well site is located in the south central portion of Farmington, New Mexico off Murray Drive. Refer to the attached vicinity map (Sheet 1).

The well is adjacent to an active gravel pit. The site is an active crude oil well producing from the Dakota Formation. Surface equipment at the site consists of a sucker rod pumping unit, two above ground production storage tanks (approximately 300 bbl) and a steel production overflow pit (approximately 100 bbl). The storage tanks and pit were surrounded by an earthen berm.

Abandoned piping, a concrete foundation, and covered pit, believed to belong to a separator, was evident south of the storage complex and east of the wellhead.

Refer to the attached site plan for the approximate location of the referenced wellsite processing equipment (Sheet 2).

Access to the site is available by Curtis Road off Murray Drive.

The site was originally constructed and the well drilled by Tenneco Oil. The date of completion was not available as of this writing. The site appeared to be build using normal cut/fill methods. The entire site appears to be have been built above the original floodplain. The depth of fill is estimated to be four feet (4') over the west portion of the site and cut at the northeast portion of the site. The soils appear to be dense, well graded gravel and sand with large cobbles and minor silt and clay.

The site is located east approximately 1/4 mile east of the intersection of the Animas and the San Juan Rivers. The depth to groundwater is on the order of ten feet and the gradient is toward the southeast.

## SITE ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

Preliminary pit assessments were performed to the screen those areas suspect as having hydrocarbon contamination from previous unlined earthen pits, to estimate the vertical and horizontal extent of the contamination, to establish if there are additional areas of concern, to characterize the contamination if present, and to develop remedial action for successful abatement of the site.

Assessments were done by advancing test holes in all areas where spills or soil contamination was suspected. Backhoe equipment was utilized. Test holes were placed to adequately estimate the vertical and lateral extent of contamination.

Soil samples will be collected from the test holes and surface following US EPA SW-846 protocol. Soil and groundwater samples were field tested for volatile hydrocarbons following the Headspace Field Method [Guidelines For Surface Impoundment Closure, New Mexico Oil Conservation Division, Part 1 (IA.2a), October 29, 1991] using a photoionization detector (PID). Additionally, soil and groundwater samples were submitted to the laboratory for analysis of recoverable total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) per US EPA Method 418.1, and/or screened for target volatile organics [benzene, toluene, ethyl-benzene and total xylenes (BTEX)] by headspace (following a modified EPA Method 3810) or following EPA Method 8020.

Two pit areas were assessed. The area around the existing above grade steel production overflow pit and an area north of the abandoned separator. The production pit assessment was initiated on April 13, 1992 and completed May 11, 1992. The pit assessment for the separator pit was conducted on May 21, 1992.

Assessment of the production pit area indicated that significant hydrocarbon contamination of soil and groundwater was present. The plume encompassed the entire area of the storage complex, extends east of the berm approximately 10 feet (up gradient) and west 60 feet (down gradient). Free product was observed on the groundwater.

Assessment of the separator pit indicated that significant hydrocarbon contamination of soil and groundwater was present. The soil contamination appeared to be limited to the previous pit area. The highly contaminated soils were excavated for treatment and the excavation backfilled with clean imported soils.

Monitor wells were installed during the construction of the groundwater treatment system. The monitor wells were constructed using two inch (2") diameter threaded-coupling schedule 40 PVC casing. The top of the screen section (0.020" slot size) was set approximately one foot (1') above the groundwater level encountered during excavation. The screened interval was gravel packed to a minimum of one foot (1') above the slotted interval with 8-12 gradation silica sand and sealed with 200 mesh bentonite. Blank PVC casing was used to complete the wells to eighteen inches (18") above site grade. Each Monitor well was secured with a locking cap.

The depth to groundwater was measured during the development and sampling of the monitor wells. The groundwater slope is estimated to be to the southeast and groundwater contours are plotted on the Site Plan.

Results of the available laboratory analyses of soil and groundwater samples are attached. Additional lab results will be reported upon completion.

Refer to the Appendix for copies of the "Field Report: Site Assessment" forms, Site Plan (Sheet 2), and available laboratory results.

## ABATEMENT & MONITORING PLAN

Based on the previously cited information in the site description, we proposed to abate the soil and groundwater contamination at subject site by the installation of a groundwater collection and treatment system. The collection system will consist of an intercept trench (down gradient) constructed with crushed washed gravel, perforated PVC pipe and a recovery collection tank. The collected hydrocarbon contaminated groundwater will be skimmed of free product by flowing through a 50 to 100 bbl tank, and then routed to an air stripper to treat the effluent to New Mexico Groundwater Standards for BTEX compounds. The treated effluent will be pumped as per the diagram (Sheet 3) to an injection gallery (up-gradient) of the contamination plume. The monitor wells have been placed at locations identified on the Site Plan to monitor the progress of the cleanup effort.

The groundwater collection system is currently under construction and being installed. This is to prevent any additional hydrocarbon movement on the water table. Installation of the balance of the treatment system will be completed upon receipt of the NMOCD approval of the remedial action plan.

CLOSURE & LIMITATIONS

This remedial action plan is based on the preliminary site assessments, available laboratory data, and information provided by Amoco Production Company.

All soil and groundwater contamination is believed to be caused by petroleum discharges associated with hydrocarbon products at typical oil field service and production facilities. No hazardous wastes are believe to be present as defined per RCRA (40 CFR 261).

All work will be performed in accordance with generally accepted professional practices in construction/excavation and geotechnical/environmental/petroleum engineering.

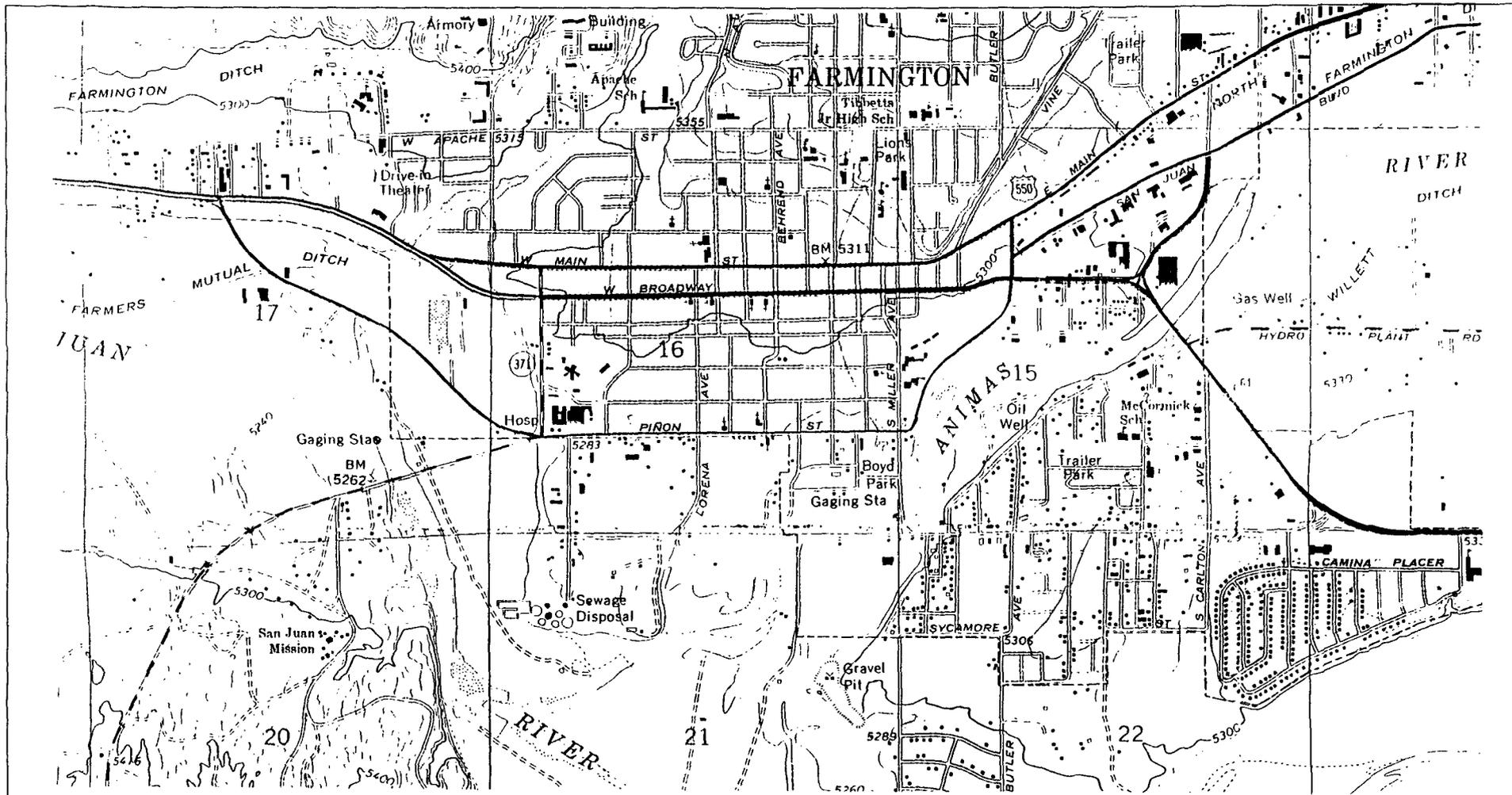
This remedial action plan has been prepared for the exclusive use of Amoco Production Company as it pertains to their San Juan Gravel A-1E facility located on the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 21, Township 29N, Range 13W, NMPM, San Juan County, New Mexico.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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Geological Engineer

APPENDIX

AMCRMD.PLN



REFERENCE: USGS FARMINGTON SOUTH QUADRANGLE, SAN JUAN COUNTY, NM 7.5" SERIES

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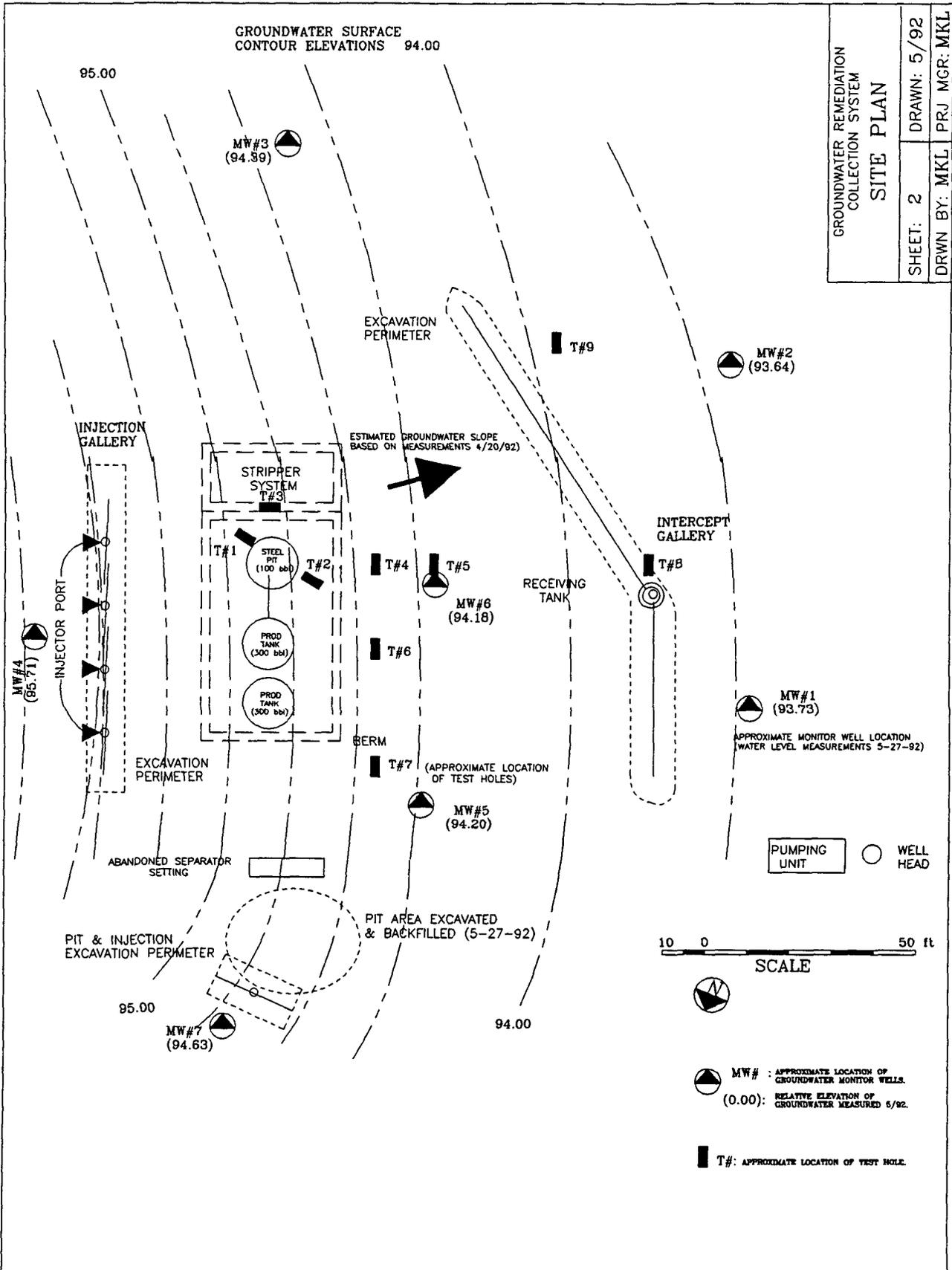
GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION  
 COLLECTION SYSTEM  
 VICINITY MAP

SHEET: 1

DRAWN: 5/92

DRWN BY: MKL

PRJ MGR: MKL



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SHEET: 2	DRAWN: 5/92
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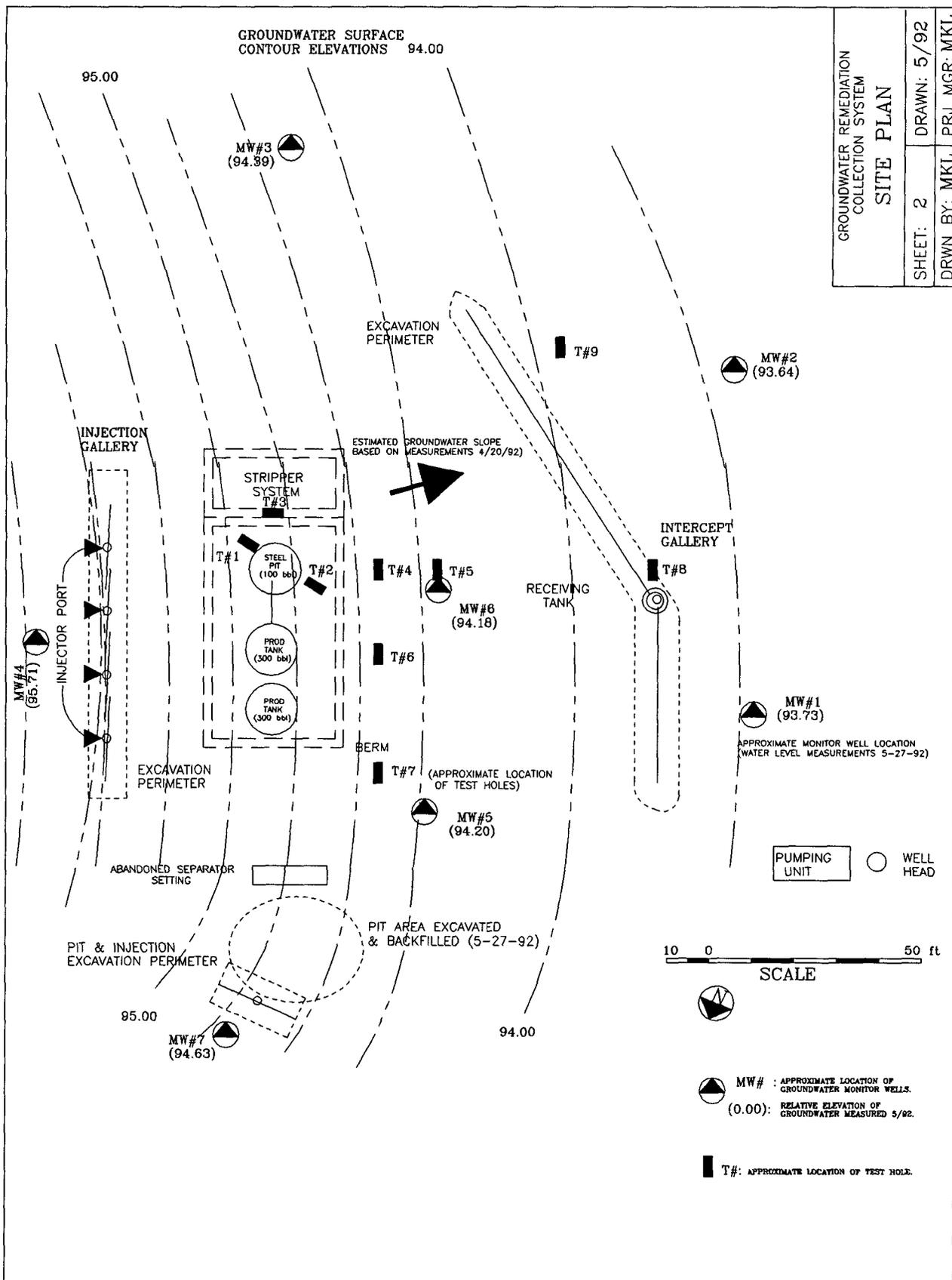
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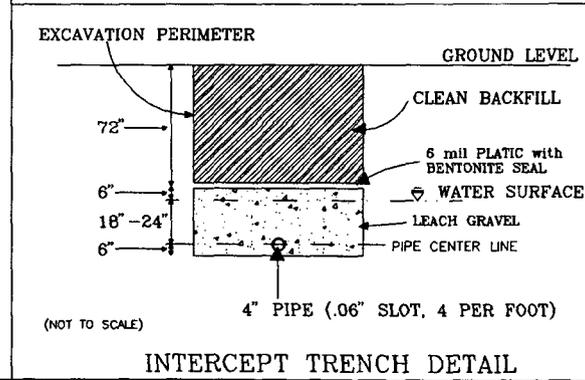
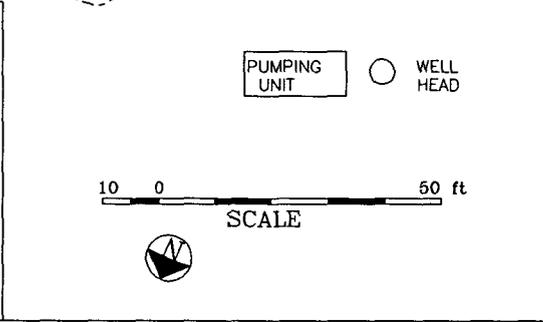
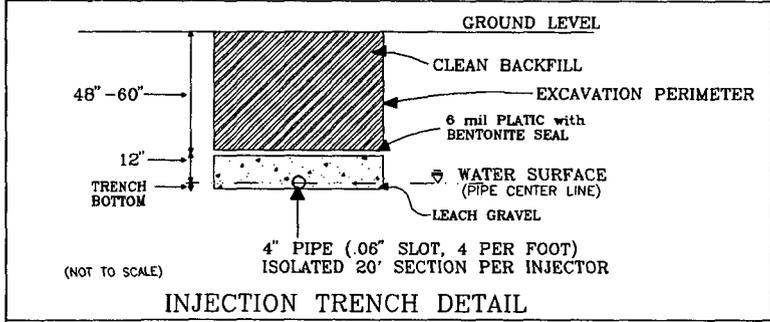
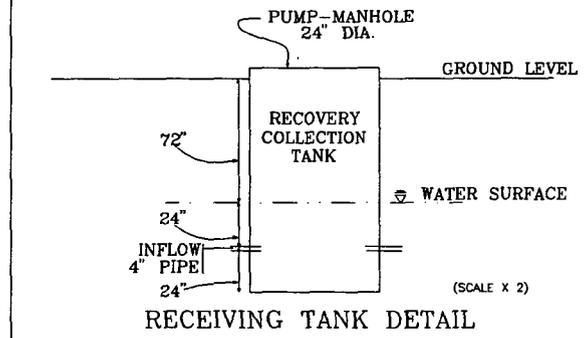
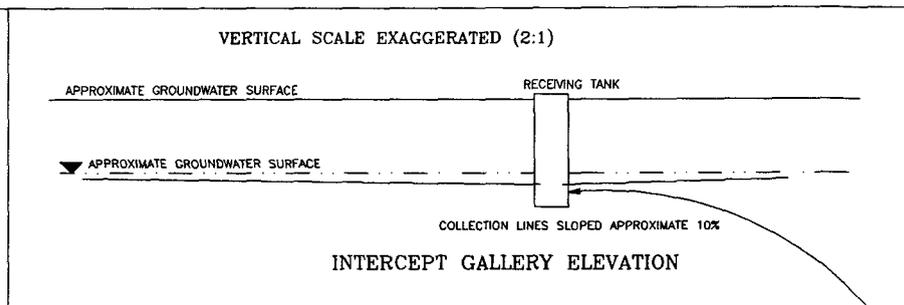
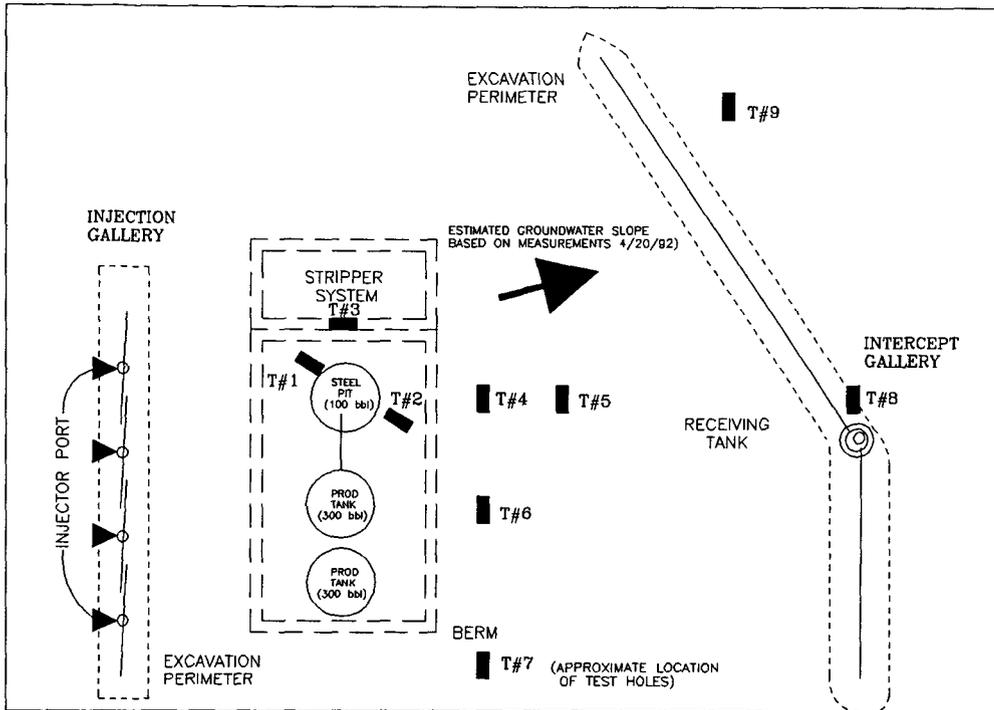


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SITE PLAN	
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DRWN BY: MKL	PRJ MGR: MKL

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 SYSTEM DETAILS

SHEET: 3	DRAWN: 5/92
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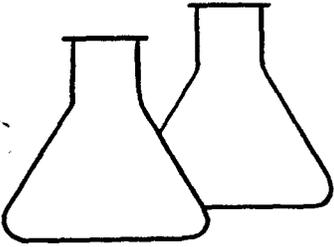












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## EPA METHOD 8020 AROMATIC VOLATILE ORGANICS

Client:	Amoco	Project #:	92140
Sample ID:	T2 @ 4.5'	Date Reported:	04-21-92
Laboratory Number:	041392140-7	Date Sampled:	04-13-92
Sample Matrix:	Soil	Date Received:	04-13-92
Preservative:	Cool	Date Analyzed:	04-15-92
Condition:	Cool & Intact	Analysis Requested:	BTEX

Parameter	Concentration (ug/L)	Det. Limit (ug/L)
Benzene	423	1
Toluene	2,530	1
Ethylbenzene	1,310	1
p,m-Xylene	264	1
o-Xylene	359	1

Method: Method 3810, Headspace, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, SW-846, USEPA, Sept. 1986

Method 8020, Aromatic Volatile Organics, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, SW-846, USEPA, Sept. 1986

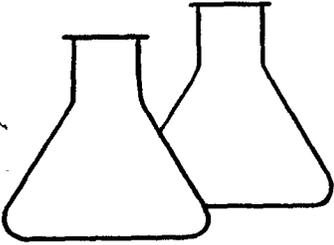
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Comments: This sample was taken from the San Juan Gravel A-1-E Prod. Tk. Pit.

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## EPA METHOD 8020 AROMATIC VOLATILE ORGANICS

Client:	Amoco	Project #:	92140
Sample ID:	T4 @ 4'	Date Reported:	04-21-92
Laboratory Number:	041392140-8	Date Sampled:	04-13-92
Sample Matrix:	Soil	Date Received:	04-13-92
Preservative:	Cool	Date Analyzed:	04-15-92
Condition:	Cool & Intact	Analysis Requested:	BTEX

Parameter	Concentration (ug/L)	Det. Limit (ug/L)
Benzene	600	1
Toluene	426	1
Ethylbenzene	442	1
p, m-Xylene	2,920	1
o-Xylene	1,060	1

Method: Method 3810, Headspace, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, SW-846, USEPA, Sept. 1986

Method 8020, Aromatic Volatile Organics, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, SW-846, USEPA, Sept. 1986

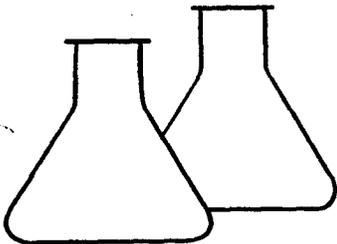
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## EPA METHOD 8020 AROMATIC VOLATILE ORGANICS

Client:	Amoco	Project #:	92140
Sample ID:	T5 @ 4-5'	Date Reported:	04-21-92
Laboratory Number:	041392140-9	Date Sampled:	04-13-92
Sample Matrix:	Soil	Date Received:	04-13-92
Preservative:	Cool	Date Analyzed:	04-15-92
Condition:	Cool & Intact	Analysis Requested:	BTEX

Parameter	Concentration (ug/L)	Det. Limit (ug/L)
Benzene	2,400	1
Toluene	325	1
Ethylbenzene	1,430	1
p, m-Xylene	8,100	1
o-Xylene	2,820	1

Method: Method 3810, Headspace, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, SW-846, USEPA, Sept. 1986

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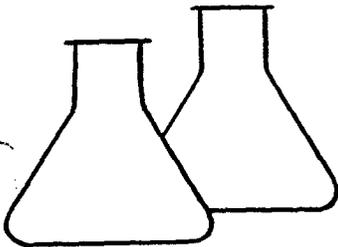
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## EPA METHOD 8020 AROMATIC VOLATILE ORGANICS

Client:	Amoco	Project #:	92140
Sample ID:	T5 @ GW	Date Reported:	04-28-92
Laboratory Number:	041392140-10	Date Sampled:	04-13-92
Sample Matrix:	Water	Date Received:	04-13-92
Preservative:	Cool & HgCl <sub>2</sub>	Date Analyzed:	04-16-92
Condition:	Cool & Intact	Analysis Requested:	BTEX

Parameter	Concentration (ug/L)	Det. Limit (ug/L)
Benzene	3,130	10
Toluene	143	15
Ethylbenzene	920	10
p,m-Xylene	10,000	35
o-Xylene	1,940	10

SURROGATE RECOVERIES:	Parameter	Percent Recovery
	Trifluorotoluene	96.4 %

Method: Method 5030, Purge-and-Trap, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, SW-846, USEPA, Sept. 1986

Method 8020, Aromatic Volatile Organics, Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, SW-846, USEPA, Sept. 1986

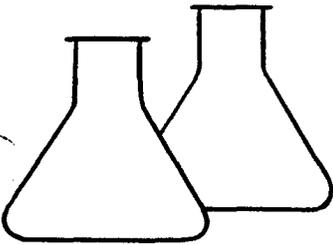
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## TOTAL RECOVERABLE PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS

Client: Amoco  
Sample ID: T5 @GW  
Laboratory Number: 0069  
Analysis Requested: 418.1  
Sample Matrix: Water  
Condition: Received on Ice

Report Date: 5-4-92  
Date Sampled: 4-20-92  
Date Received: 4-20-92  
Date Extracted: 4-30-92  
Date Analyzed: 4-30-92  
Preservative: Cool

Parameter	Concentration (mg/l)	Det. Limit (mg/l)
Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons	180400	10.0

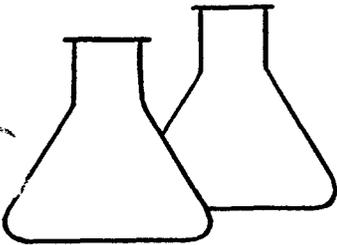
Method: Method 418.1, Petroleum Hydrocarbons, Total Recoverable, Chemical Analysis of Water and Waste, USEPA Storet No.4551, 1978

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Comments: San Juan Gravel A-1E - Product Pit 94012

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## TOTAL RECOVERABLE PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS

Client: Amoco  
Sample ID: T8 @6'  
Laboratory Number: 0070  
Analysis Requested: 418.1  
Sample Matrix: Soil  
Condition: Received on Ice

Report Date: 5-5-92  
Date Sampled: 4-20-92  
Date Received: 4-20-92  
Date Extracted: 4-28-92  
Date Analyzed: 4-28-92  
Preservative: Cool

Parameter	Concentration (mg/Kg)	Det. Limit (mg/Kg)
Total Recoverable Petroleum Hydrocarbons	ND	10.0

Method: Method 418.1, Petroleum Hydrocarbons, Total Recoverable, Chemical Analysis of Water and Waste, USEPA Storer No.4551, 1978.

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Comments: SUG A-1E - Product Tank Pit 94012

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