



Site Update  
Hidden Lane Landfill Superfund Site  
Sterling, Loudoun County, VA  
June 15, 2017

# Agenda

- Review of Site History
- Discussion of Remedial Investigation
- Review of the Bioremediation Pilot Study
- Next Steps: Proposed Plan & Record of Decision

# Hidden Lane Landfill



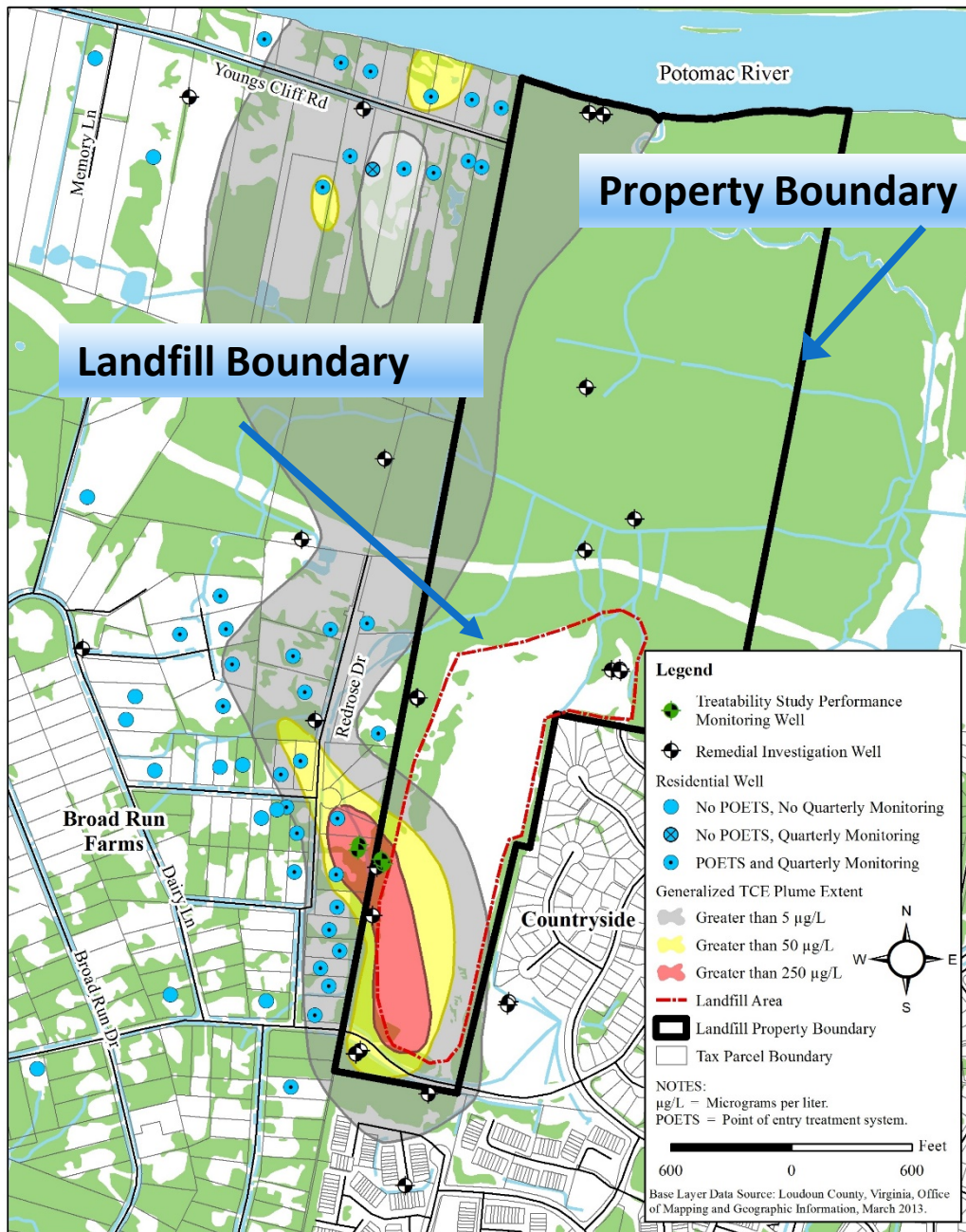
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**Broad Run Farms**

**Country Side Estates**



# Site Map



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**U.S. Environmental Protection Agency**  
**Hidden Lane Landfill Site**  
Loudoun County  
Sterling, VA

**2017 GENERALIZED  
TRICHLOROETHENE PLUME EXTENT**

# Superfund Process

1. Site Discovery
2. Site Evaluation
3. National Priority Listing (NPL)
4. Remedial Investigation
5. **Feasibility Study** **<– We are Here**
6. Proposed Plan
7. Record of Decision
8. Remedial Design
9. Remedial Construction
10. Long Term Operation and Maintenance
11. NPL Deletion
12. Reuse can occur anytime

# Site History

- 30 Acre Landfill - Operated from 1971-1984
- 1986: Landfill closed with 2 ft. clay cover
- 1988: EPA conducts Site Investigation (SI) w/ limited findings

# Site History (continued)

- 2005: TCE discovered in 25 residential wells in Broad Run Farms. State installed treatment systems
- 2005-07: EPA conducts Supplemental Site Assessment
- **2008: Site listed on National Priority List (NPL)**
- 2008 – present: EPA conducts Remedial Investigation
- EPA currently maintains 36 carbon units on residential water systems

# Findings of Remedial Investigation

Media	Remedial Investigation	Finding
Landfill Cap	15 borings across landfill	<b>2 ft. clay cap present</b>
Methane gas	22 landfill gas wells	Methane not detected since 2011, EPA still monitoring
Soils	22 Surface and subsurface soil Collected 2005 during SI Analyzed for Metals, Pesticides, PCBs, VOCs, and SVOCs	No detections above EPA Human Health or Ecological Risk
Surface water sediment	24 location, including springs ponds, streams and Potomac River Analyzed for Metals, Pesticides, PCBs, VOCs, and SVOCs	No detections above EPA Human Health or Ecological Risk

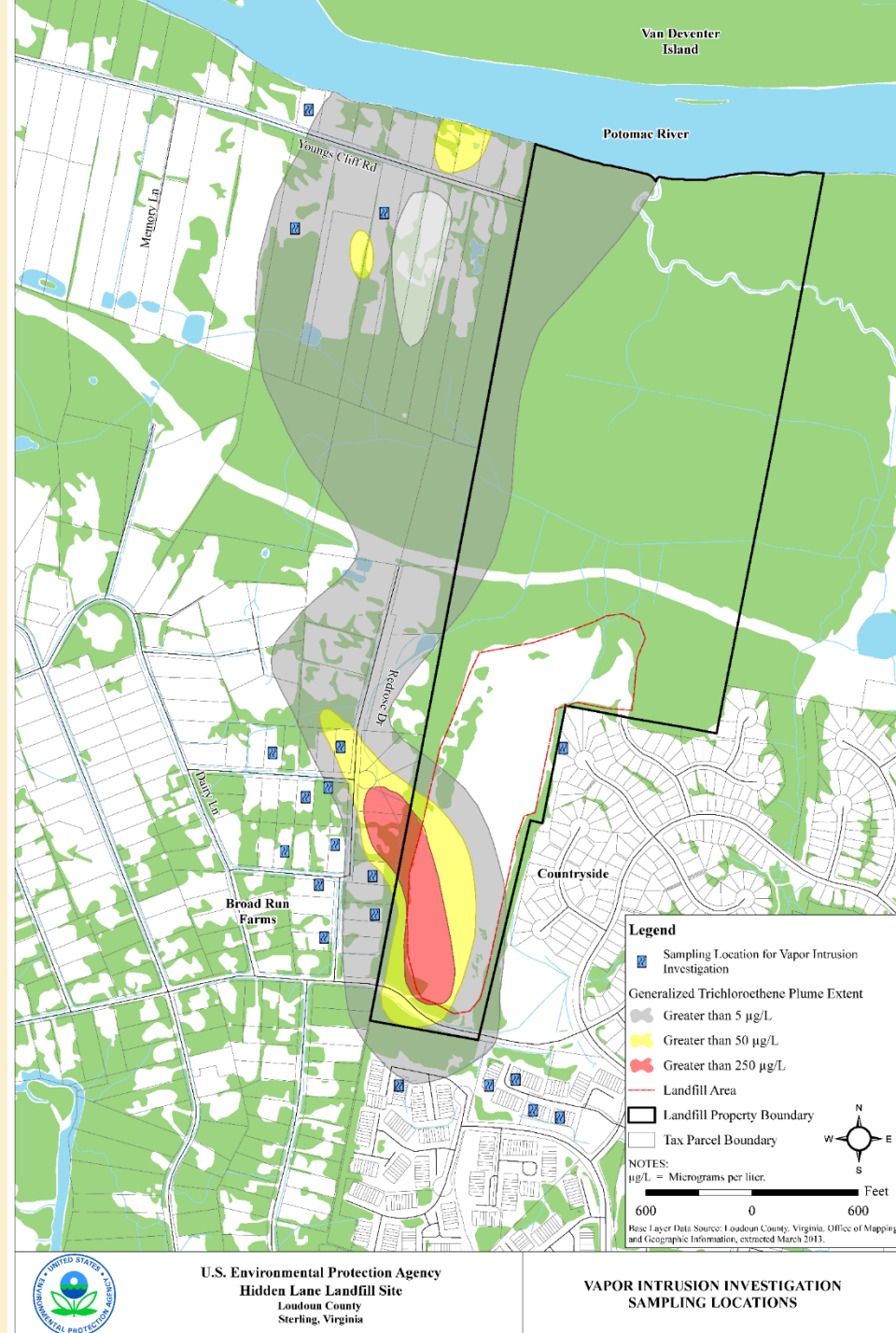


# So, what did we find?

Significant **low concentration TCE plume** w/ likely source southern end of landfill

**TCE** is determined to be the primary human health risk

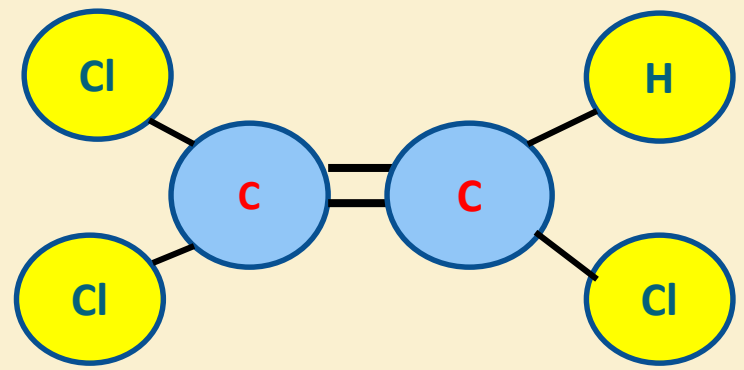
Evaluated 18 homes for vapor Intrusion. No Risk due to Vapor Intrusion



# EPA Consent Order With Property Owner

- Legal settlement with Estate that allows US and State to recover some clean-up costs
- Settlement requires property owner market the property for development and/or wetlands mitigation credits
- Proceeds of any sale are split between the US and State, and the owner.
- Settlement restrictions use to ensure it doesn't negatively impact the site cleanup.

# TCE (Trichloroethylene)



- Chlorinated Volatile Organic Compound, soluble in water
- Common industrial solvent used as a metals degreaser, a dry cleaning compound, in paint removers, etc.
- Exposure causes irritation to skin and eyes
  - affects the central nervous system, heart, liver, kidney and lungs
- Exposure can occur by direct contact, ingestion or inhalation
- Is a likely human carcinogen for liver, kidney, and lung





West

Pilot Study  
RI-14

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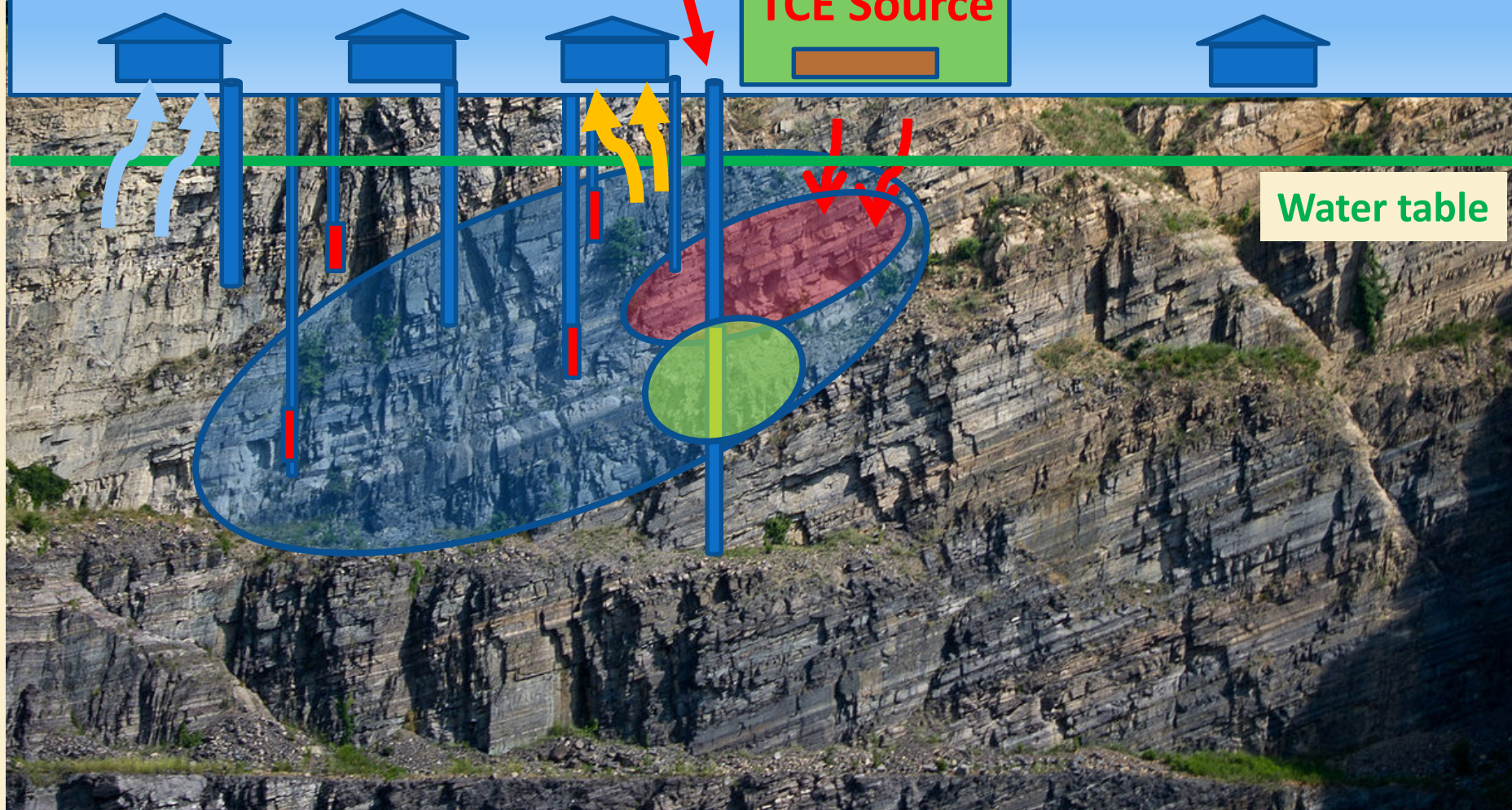
Broad Run Farms

Landfill

Country Side

TCE Source

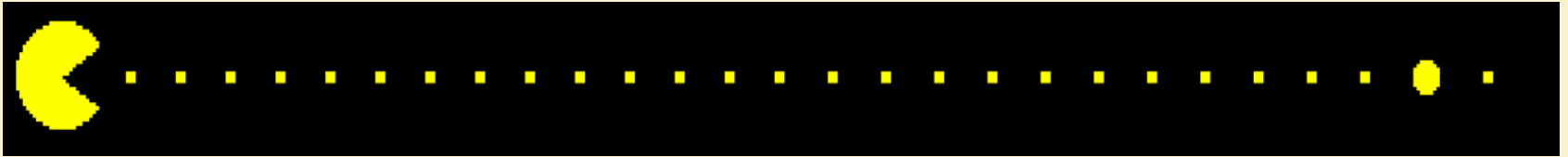
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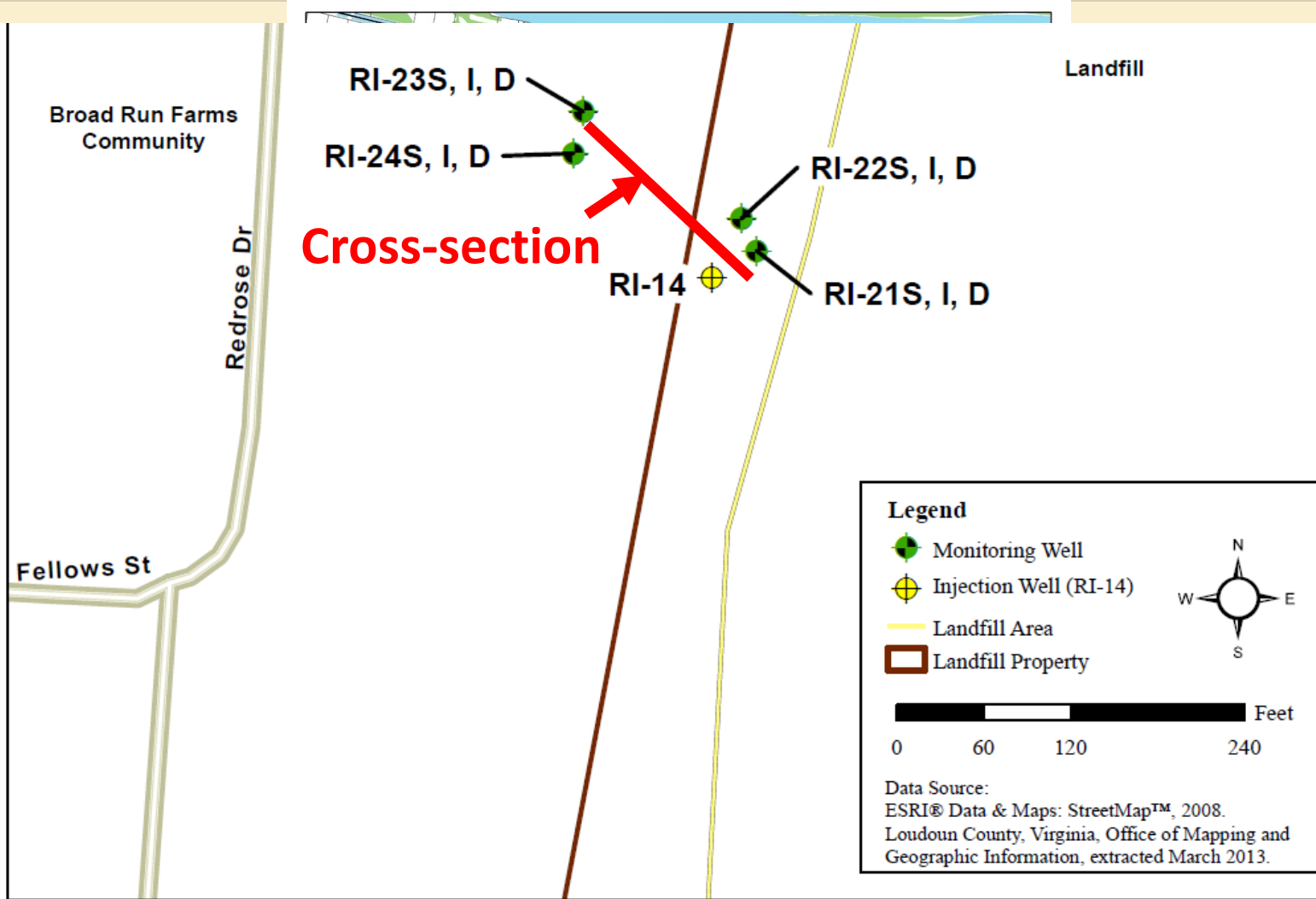
# Biological, and Geochemical Reduction Processes

- Biological Reduction: utilize natural bacteria to degrade contaminants
  - **Pac-Man eats contaminants expels nontoxic stuff**



- Geochemical Reductions: utilizes changes in rock mineral chemistry to degrade contaminants
  - **Rusting of Iron**
- These processes occur in distinct identifiable pathways. Some known, many unknown

# Bioremediation Pilot Study Area



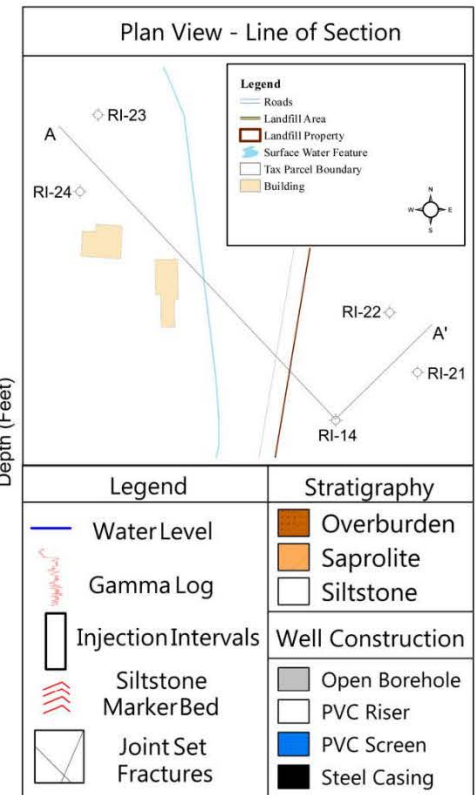
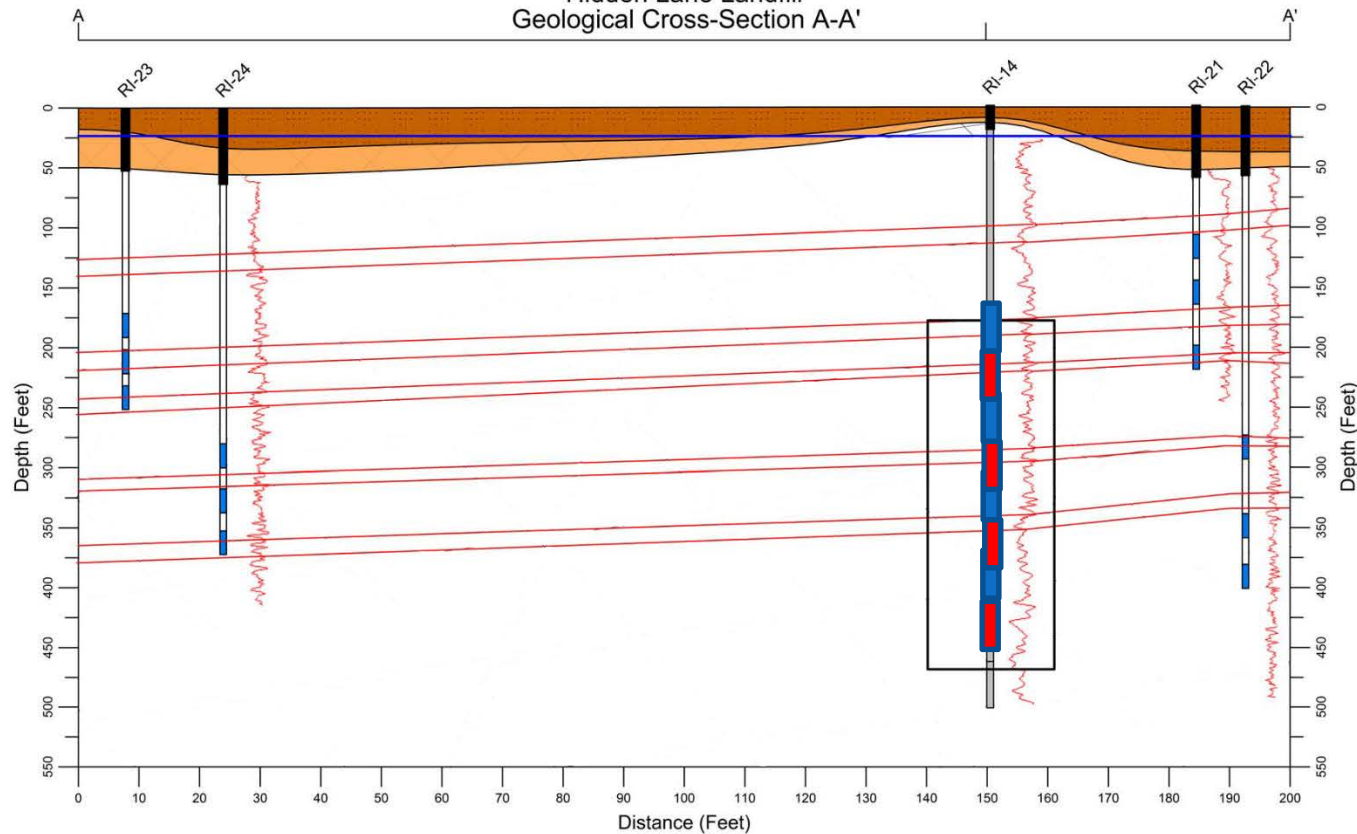
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**Figure 2-1**  
**Injection and**  
**Monitoring Well Locations**

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# Cross-Section of Pilot Study Area

**Figure 2-2**  
Hidden Lane Landfill  
Geological Cross-Section A-A'



# Pilot Study Findings

- Transformed TCE to DCE and limited VC
- Uneven distribution of amendments (bugs & food)
  - Up to 150 feet away
- Limited geochemical reactions (Rusting of Iron)
- Residential wells not impacted

# What's next?

- Complete Pilot Study Report and Feasibility Study
  - Due for completion Summer 2017
- Proposed Plan with Public Meeting and 30 Day Comment Period
  - Due Fall 2017
- Record of Decision (ROD)
  - Due Spring 2018



# Remedial Alternatives Under Consideration

## **Residential Wells**

1. Continued O&M of Carbon Units
2. Construction of Public Waterline

## **Groundwater Restoration**

1. Pump and Treat
2. Chemical Oxidation
3. Enhanced Bioremediation

# Thanks You for Attending

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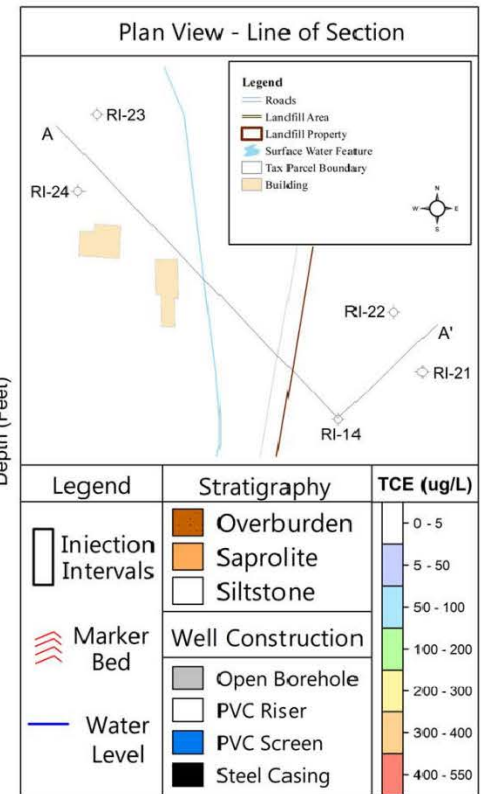
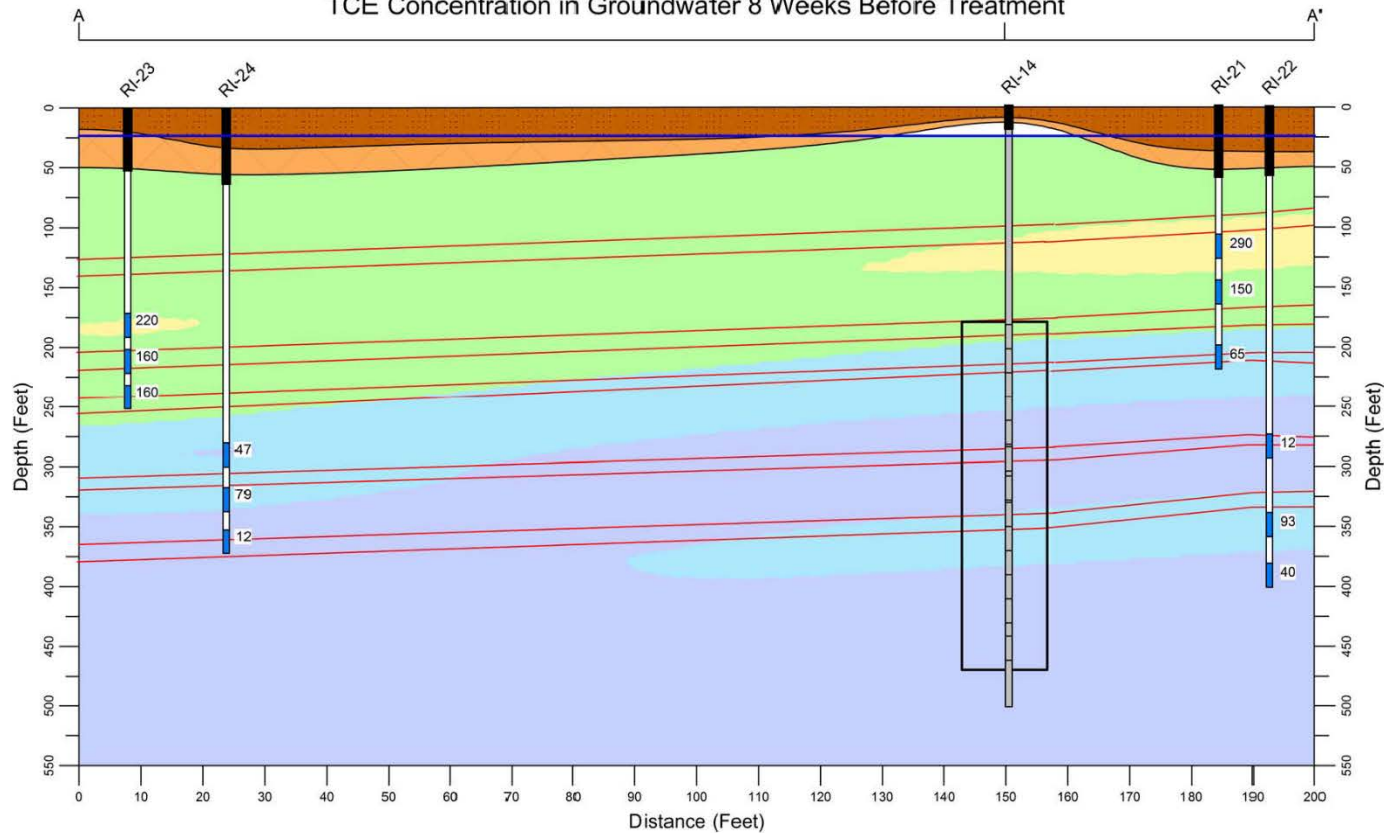
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# Questions

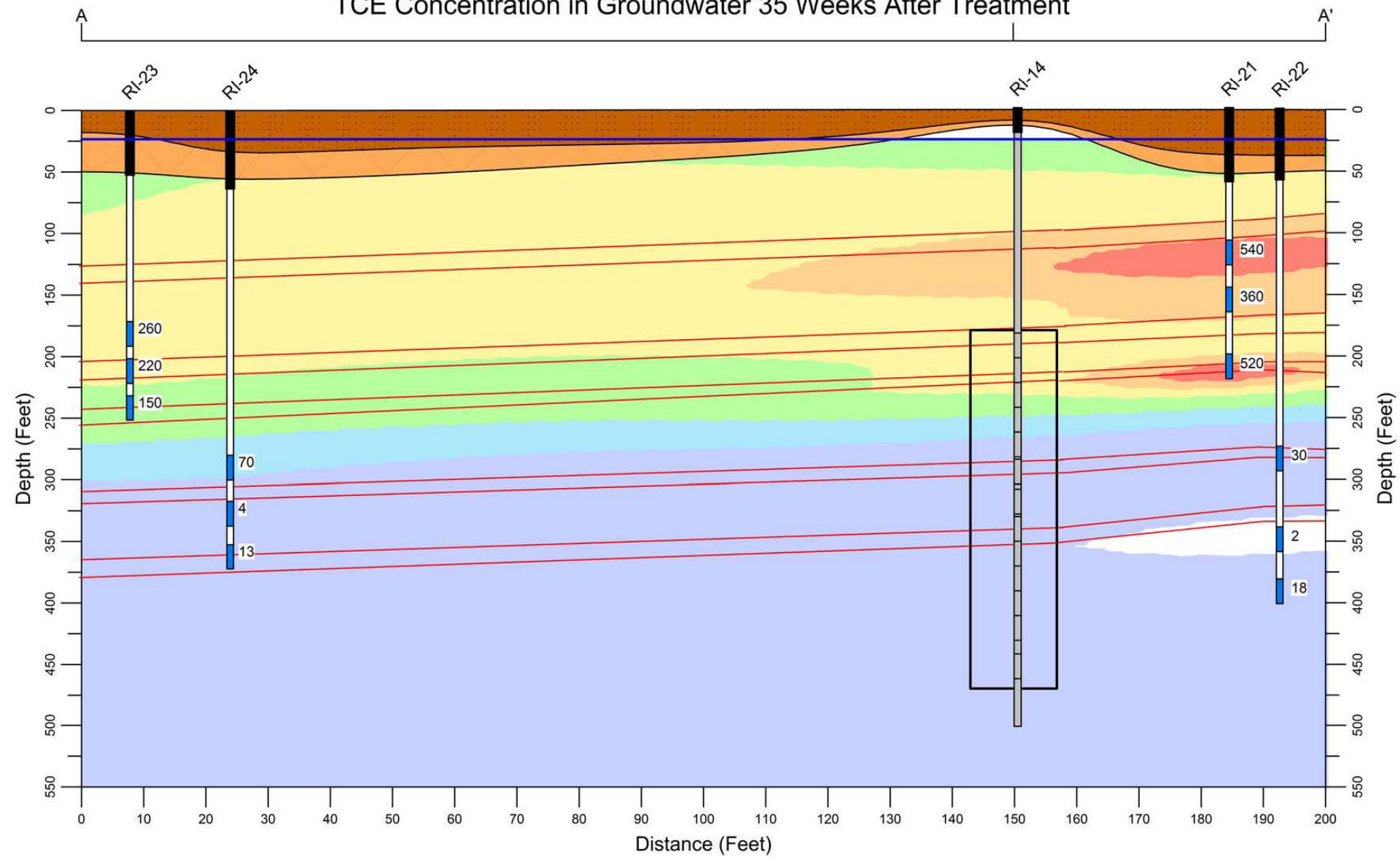
# Change in TCE Concentrations

Hidden Lane Landfill Cross-Section A-A'  
TCE Concentration in Groundwater 8 Weeks Before Treatment



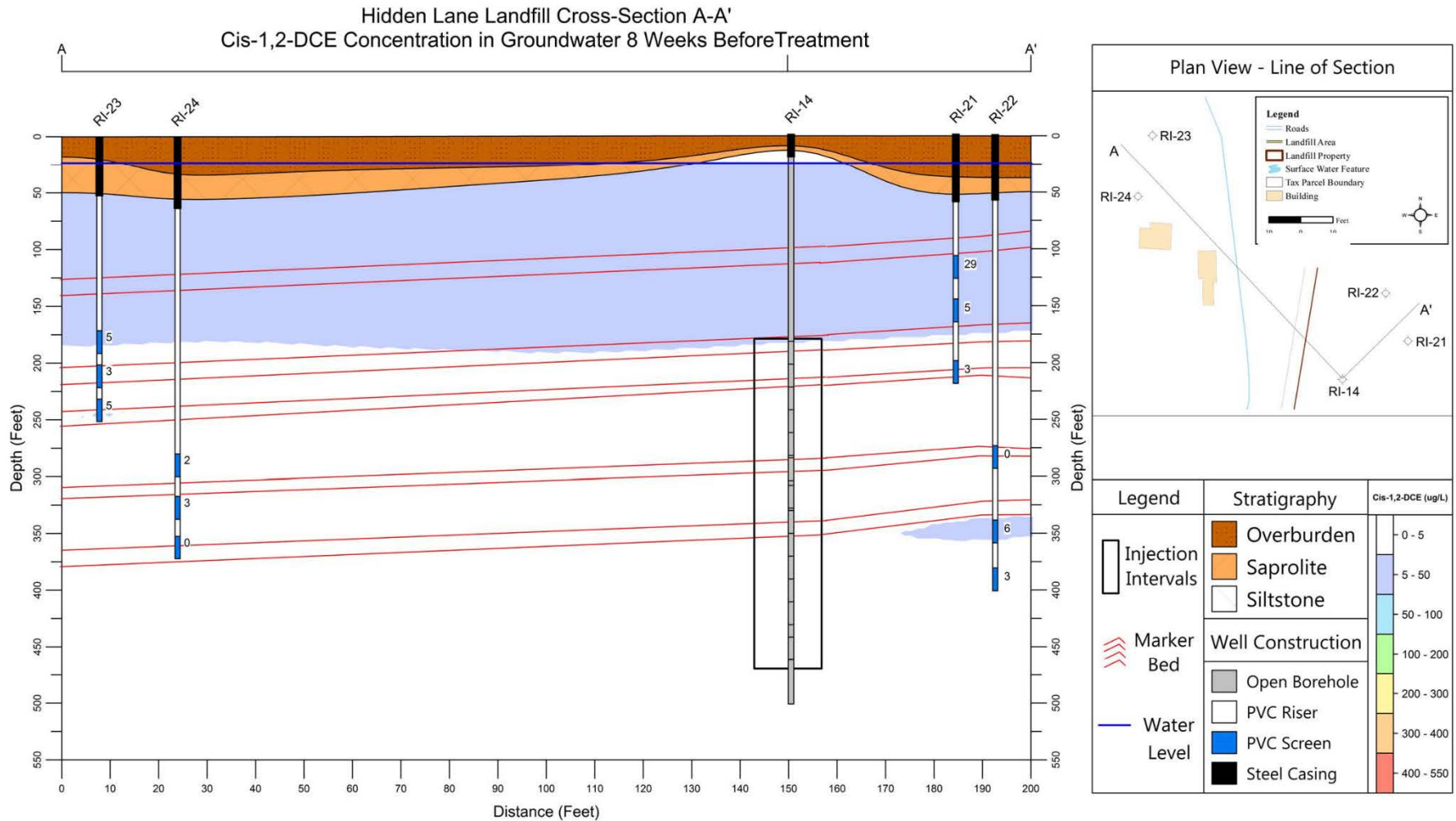
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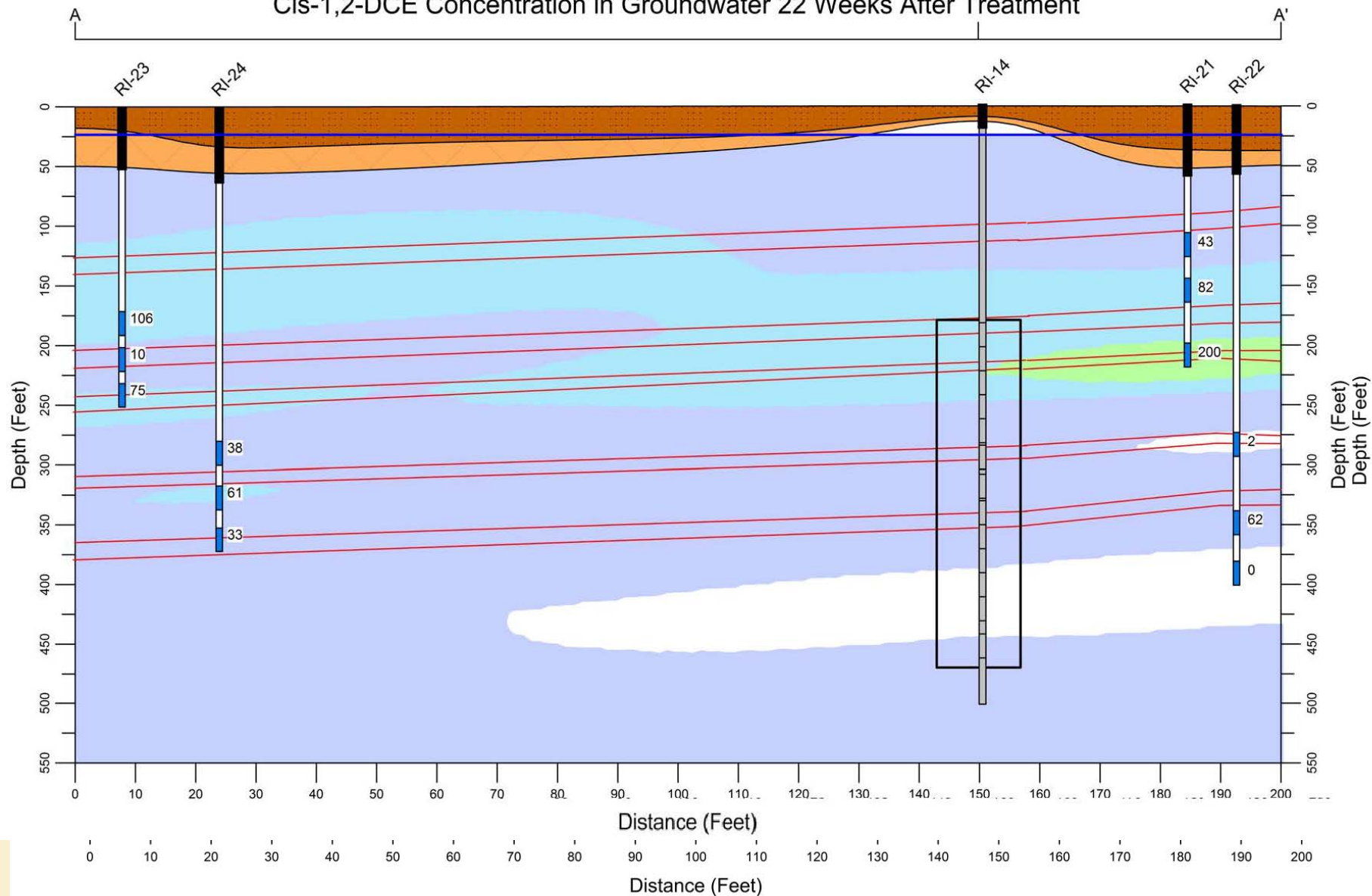


# Change in Cis-DCE Concentrations



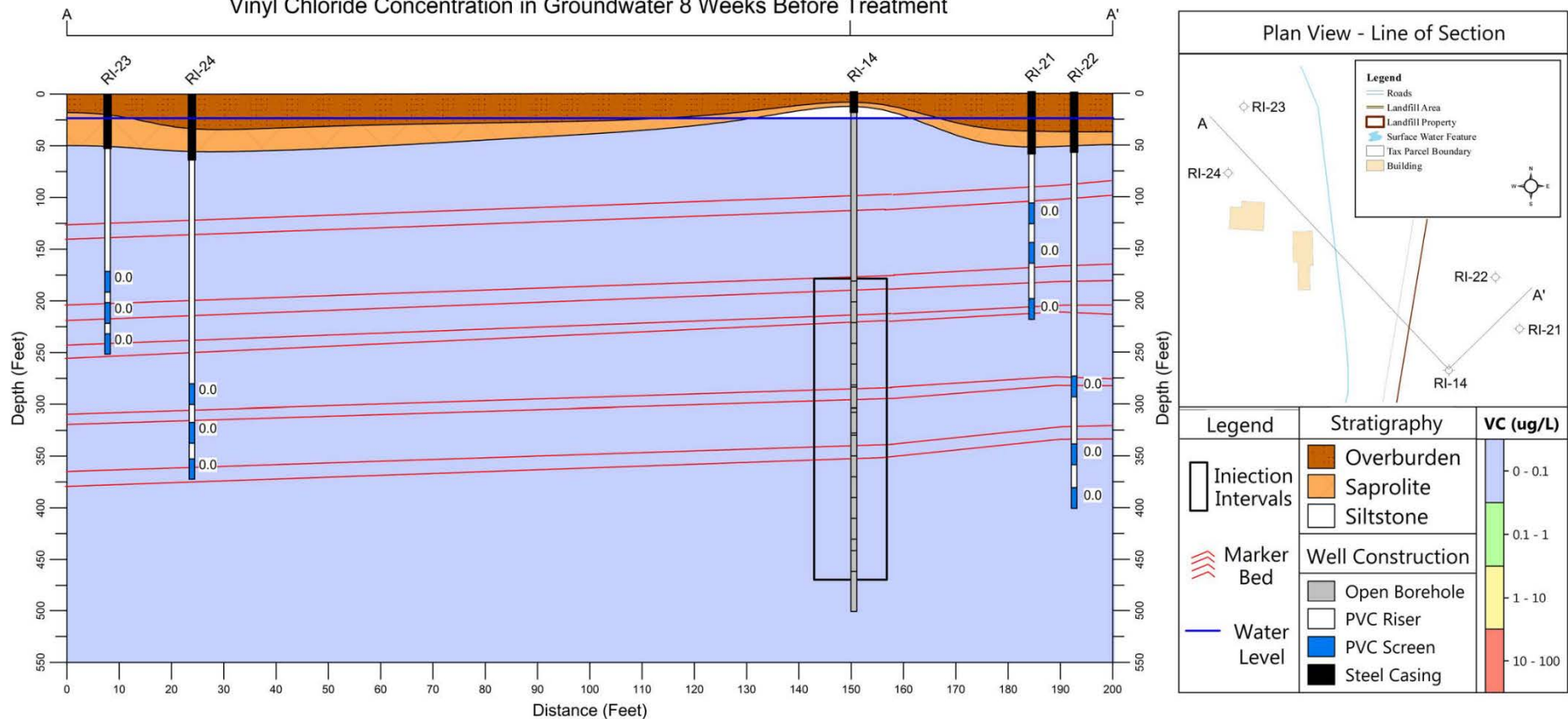
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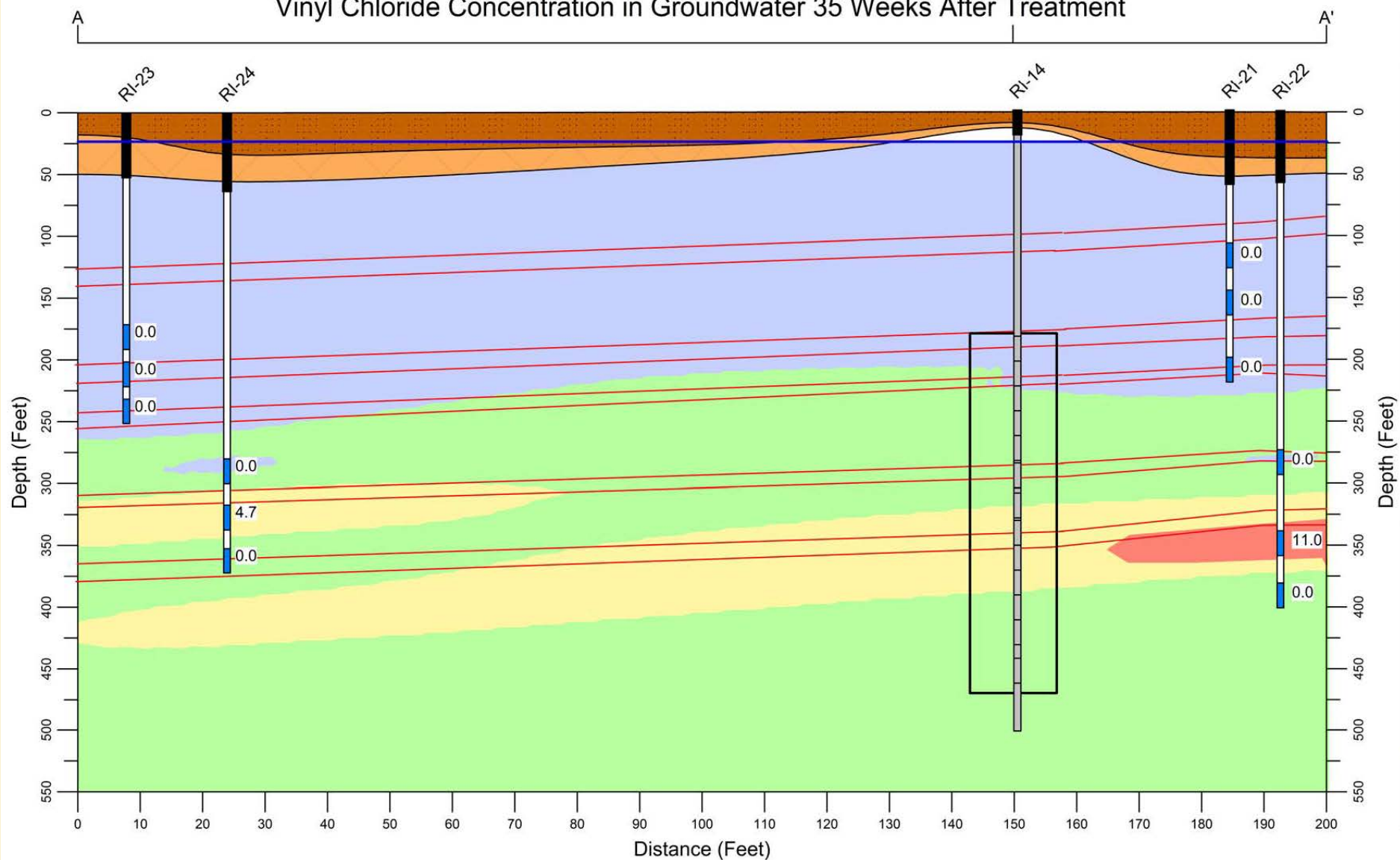
# Change in Vinyl Chloride Concentrations

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# Changes in Molar Concentration

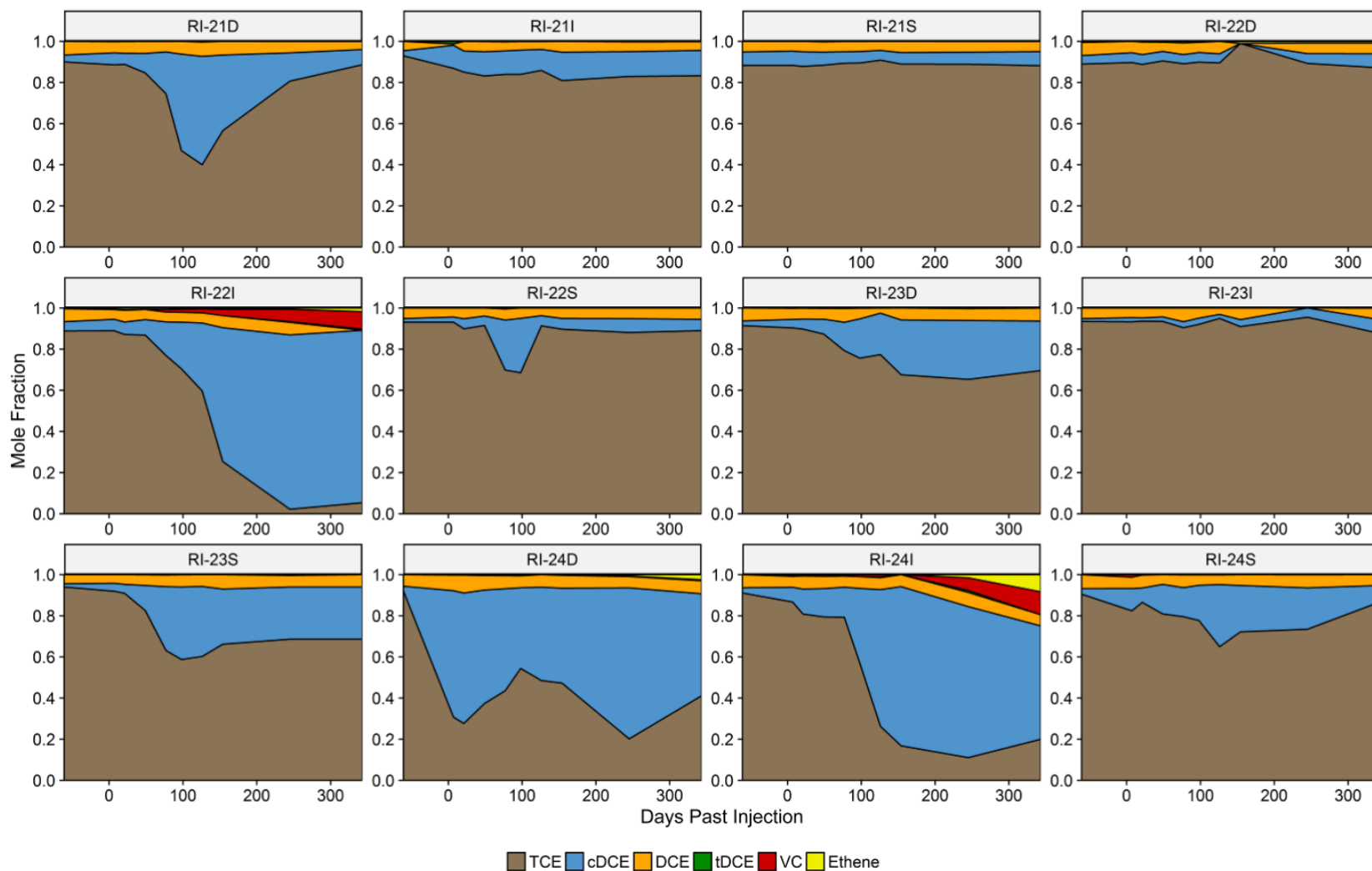


Figure 16. Mole fractions of TCE and daughter products in downgradient monitoring wells following injection of amendment in RI-14.