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Today’s presentation is focused on the ITRC technical and regulatory guidance document entitled:

“In Situ Chemical Oxidation of Contaminated Soil and Groundwater”

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Presentation Overview:
Using in situ chemical oxidation (ISCO) to remediate groundwater contamination involves injecting oxidants directly into the source zone and downgradient plume. Contaminants potentially amenable to treatment by ISCO include benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes (BTEX); tetrachloroethylene (PCE); trichloroethylene (TCE); dichloroethylenes; vinyl chloride; methyl-tert-butyl-ether (MTBE), polyaromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) compounds, and many other organic contaminants. Commonly used oxidant chemicals include permanganate (sodium and potassium), hydrogen peroxide, and ozone. The oxidants react with contaminants, producing innocuous substances such as carbon dioxide, water, and inorganic chloride; however, the full spectrum of reaction intermediates and products is not yet fully understood for all contaminants.

This training familiarizes participants with ITRC’s Technical and Regulatory Guidance for In Situ Chemical Oxidation of Contaminated Soil and Groundwater In Situ Chemical Oxidation (ISCO-1, 2001), including descriptions of various chemical oxidants, regulatory considerations, stakeholder concerns, case studies, and technical references—information to help understand, evaluate, and make informed decisions on ISCO proposals.

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In Situ Chemical Oxidation

ISCO Presentation Overview
- Overview of ISCO
- Oxidants & Safety
- Pilot Studies
- Questions and answers
- Oxidants & Safety (cont.)
- ISCO Design
- Monitoring
- Regulatory Issues
- Questions and answers
- Links to additional resources
- Your feedback

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Goals of Today’s Session

- Introduce the ITRC Document on ISCO
  - “In Situ Chemical Oxidation of Contaminated Soil and Groundwater”
- Discuss the Basics of ISCO
  - Oxidation with Permanganate, Hydrogen Peroxide (Fenton’s Reagent), and Ozone
- Look at Case Study Snapshots
- Discuss Potential Regulatory Issues
- Provide Guidance to Address Stakeholder Concerns
- Provide References for Additional Study

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Key “ISCO” Tech. & Reg. Issues
Most Common Concerns

- Technical Issues
  - Constituents in the injected fluid exceed a primary or secondary drinking water standard
  - Formation of toxic intermediate products
  - Formation/mobilization of colloids due to breakdown of NOM
  - Migration of contaminants away from the plume or source area
  - Effect on Natural Biota
  - Health and safety
  - Chemical Mixing and Handling
  - Atmospheric Venting
  - Chemical Transport

- Federal and State Permitting

Each of these concerns will be addressed in our discussion today and are covered in the Guidance Document. There are two problems specific to permanganate that were not discussed in the document: 1. Manganese ore contains chrome. There are are traces of chrome in Na and KMnO₄. All of this chrome would be Cr⁶⁺. 2. Naturally occurring potassium contains a significant concentration of ⁴⁰K. Potassium forty is radioactive. Both of these issues can cause problems in some states. In some cases the problems would preclude use of one or both permanganate salts. In others it would increase the suite of chemicals that must be quantified by monitoring.

NOM – natural organic matter
Refer to page 12 of the ITRC ISCO Technical and Regulatory Document for additional information. Document can be downloaded at no-cost at: www.itrcweb.org
What is In Situ Chemical Oxidation?

- Definition: A technique whereby an oxidant is introduced into the subsurface to chemically oxidize organic contaminants changing them to harmless substances.
  - Rapidly Emerging Technology
  - Still Subject of Academic Research as Well as Applied Routinely as a Commercialized Process
  - Several Options for Selection of Oxidant Chemicals
  - Requires Good Understanding of Contaminant and Site Characteristics to Ensure Effective Treatment

ISCO is being evaluated as an alternative and applied at an increasing number of sites.

The number of oxidants increases the applicability of the technique.

Taking short cuts during site investigation may lead to inappropriate application and be very costly.
Oxidation Chemistry Is Not New
In-Situ Application is New

★ Chemical Oxidation: 1772 by Antoine Lavoisier
★ Ozone: Discovered in 1785 by van Marum.
  ● Hydrocarbon oxidation in 1855 by Schonbein.
  ● Water treatment by ozonation in France in 1907.
★ Hydrogen Peroxide: Discovered in 1818 by Thenard.
★ Fenton’s Reagent: Discovered in 1876 by Fenton
★ Permanganate: Alkene oxidation in 1895 by Wagner.

As you can see, the concept of chemical oxidation is not new, and in fact has been established for >225 years. The new part is the application of oxidant chemicals to contaminants in situ.
ISCO has been used in all the states colored red, and likely has been used in others also.
When is ISCO Applicable?

- Organic Contaminants
  - PAHs, Pesticides, Chlorinated Solvents, Petroleum Hydrocarbons, others
- Some Contaminants Require More Aggressive Oxidant Chemicals
- Screening Level Evaluation Needed to Assess Site Feasibility and Appropriate Oxidant Chemicals.

ISCO is applicable to a wide variety of chemicals. However not all oxidants are applicable to all chemicals in all cases. Bench scale testing is necessary to pair oxidant with the contaminant and geochemistry of the site. Ozone is also much more applicable to the vadose zone because it is a gas. Pilot scale application growing to full application is often the best method.
Oxidation Chemistry Primer

- Oxidation involves breaking apart the chemical bonds and removing electrons
- The “Oxidant” is the “Electron Acceptor”, and is Chemically Reduced by the Reaction
- Chemicals with Double Bonds are Most Readily Oxidized
- Strong Oxidants Attack a Wider Range of Bonds, but Structural Chemistry also Important.

No Notes
Safety is always the number 1 concern at an ISCO project.
The Technical Goals of ISCO Can Be Varied

* Source Zone Treatment
  * Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (NAPL) Treatment
  * Soil Treatment
  * Mass Reduction vs. Numerical Concentration Goal

* Groundwater Plume Treatment
  * Groundwater Attenuation After Source Zone Oxidation
  * Oxidation of Dissolved Groundwater Plume
  * Containment/Barriers

Set Your Treatment Goals, Monitoring Parameters, and Success Measures Up Front!
**Technical Caveats**

- ISCO is Often Not a Sole Solution! – Other Remediation Processes are Often Combined.
- ISCO Performance is Site-Specific.
- Match Monitoring Parameters to Performance Goals.
- Nothing is Effective in All Situations – A Project Failure is Not a Technology Failure.
- “Rules of Thumb” are Meant to Be Broken.
# Advantages and Disadvantages of ISCO

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<th><strong>Disadvantages</strong></th>
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<td>• Fast Treatment (weeks to months)</td>
<td>• Requires Spending “Today’s” Money to Get Fast Cleanup</td>
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<td>• Temporary Facilities</td>
<td>• Involves Handling Powerful Oxidants, and</td>
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<td>• Treatment to Low Levels (ND in some cases)</td>
<td>Carries Special Safety Requirements</td>
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<td>• Effective on Some Hard-to-Treat Compounds</td>
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These Lists Assume Appropriate Technology Selection and Application

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### ISCO Applicability Chart

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<th>Limitations / Disadvantages</th>
<th>Possibly Favorable Alternatives</th>
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<td><strong>Mobile NAPL (S&lt;sub&gt;NAPL&lt;/sub&gt; &gt; Residual)</strong></td>
<td>Probably Not a Best Fit</td>
<td>High Oxidant Dose</td>
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<td><strong>Residual NAPL (10,000’s ppm)</strong></td>
<td>Yes, But Challenging</td>
<td>High Oxidant Dose</td>
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<td><strong>High Soil/GW Conc. (10’s – 1,000’s ppm)</strong></td>
<td>Yes, A Good Fit</td>
<td>Standard Considerations</td>
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<td><strong>Dissolved Plume (&lt; 1 mg/l)</strong></td>
<td>Yes, But Maybe Not Cost Effective</td>
<td>Cost Driven by Matrix SOD</td>
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# Importance of Site Goals & Conditions for Success / Failure

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### Diagram:
- Reaction Chemistry
- Heterogeneity
- Permeability
- Contaminant Mass Distribution
- Site Geochemistry

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### Oxidant Selection Criteria – How Do You Pick an Oxidant??

- Target Contaminant Reactivity with Oxidant
- Target Treatment Zone
  - Vadose Zone vs. Saturated Zone
  - Geology and Hydrogeology
- Size of Treatment Zone
  - Large Areas Usually Dictate Larger Injection Well Spacing
- Cost
  - Difficult to Predict without Test Data
## In Situ Oxidant Chemical Summary

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<th>Basic Features</th>
<th>Options</th>
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<td><strong>Fenton’s Reagent</strong></td>
<td>• Inject Hydrogen Peroxide and Ferrous Iron</td>
<td>• “Traditional Fenton’s” Acidified Conditions</td>
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<td><em>(OH•, SOP = -2.87 V)</em></td>
<td>• In-Situ Reactions Produce Hydroxyl Radical</td>
<td>• “Modified Fenton’s” Chelated Iron Allows Neutral pH Conditions</td>
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<td>• Batch Injection Process</td>
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<td><strong>Ozone</strong></td>
<td>• Ozone Gas Produced On-site From Oxygen or Air.</td>
<td>• Sparging into Groundwater</td>
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<td><em>(O₃, SOP = -2.07 V)</em></td>
<td>• Continuous Injection Process</td>
<td>• Vadose Zone Gas Injection</td>
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<td>• High vs. Low Concentration</td>
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<td><strong>Permanganate</strong></td>
<td>• Batch Injection of Liquid Permanganate Solution</td>
<td>• Recirculation Possible</td>
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<td><em>(MnO₄⁻, SOP = -1.7 V)</em></td>
<td>• Slower Reactions and Greater Persistence</td>
<td>• Sodium (Na) vs. Potassium (K) Permanganate</td>
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(Recent Development: Persulfate Not Covered Today)

Each oxidant has positive and negative aspects to consider. The oxidant must be selected based on the individual site needs.
Safety – All Oxidants

- Chemical Handling Safety
  - Follow All Chemical-Specific Handling and Mixing Precautions.
  - Dilute Oxidants Pose Less Hazard
- Monitor Oxidant Concentrations in Subsurface and at Adjacent Receptors.
- Subsurface Energetic Reactions
  - Mainly an Issue with High Concentration Hydrogen Peroxide.
  - Monitor Subsurface Reactions and Temp. and Ramp Up Injection Slowly

Safety first is the rule with ISCO!
# Safety – Specifics

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<td>Ozone (O₃)</td>
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<td>- Gas – very strong oxidizer</td>
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<td>- Ozone Gas Generated on-site Using Electrical Equipment</td>
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<td>Permanganate (K or Na) (KMnO₄ or NaMnO₄)</td>
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<td>- Liquid Solutions – very strong oxidizers, but less aggressive than peroxide or ozone</td>
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<td>- KMnO₄ sold as crystalline solid</td>
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<td>- NaMnO₄ sold as 40% liquid solution</td>
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- Fenton’s Reagent - Hydrogen Peroxide (H₂O₂) |
  - Liquid – very strong oxidizer |
  - Hydrogen Peroxide Delivered in Tanker Trucks or Drums |
  - Generally Injected with Iron Catalyst |

No Notes
Some Common Questions About ISCO?

- Is the Oxidation Reaction Complete, Are By-Products Present and What Is Their Fate?
- Will I Oxidize/Mobilize Metals?
- Will Oxidation Kill-Off Subsurface Microbes and Halt Natural Attenuation Processes?
- Are There Any Short-term Hazards During Treatment?
- How Much Oxidant Do I Need?
- Is It Expensive?

The Answers to These Questions Are Not Universal. Up-Front Evaluation and Design Work Is Needed to Answer These Questions for a Site.
Is the Oxidation Reaction Complete, Are By-Products Present and What Is Their Fate?

- Same Fundamental Question for All Destructive Treatment Mechanisms
  - Bioremediation
  - Natural Attenuation
  - Chemical Reduction Treatment
  - Chemical Oxidation Treatment
- Important Site Specific Factors
  - What Dose of Treatment is Applied?
  - What is Site Geochemistry?
  - How Will Chemical/Biological Processes Interact?

No Notes
Will I Oxidize/Mobilize Metals?

- *All Oxidants* Can Increase Solubility of Certain Metals to a More Mobile Valence State
  - Chromium, Uranium, Selenium
- Occurs with Naturally Occurring Metals as Well as Contaminants
- In Most Cases Documented, Metals Naturally Revert Back to the Reduced State After Oxidation Treatment is Complete
- Site-Specific Bench and Field Testing Required
- (Tip: Look for Arsenic at Reductive Technology Sites)

No Notes
Will Oxidation Kill-Off Subsurface Microbes and Halt Natural Attenuation Processes?

- Subsurface Microbes are Very Robust and Difficult to Eliminate
- Difficult to Deliver Enough Oxidant to Completely Contact All Microbes
- Generally, Microbial Populations Decline Temporarily and then Rebound After Treatment

No Notes
A primary design concern is the proper oxidant concentration and dose. The concentration and dose are determined by the oxidant demand and reaction kinetics. Other variables include the horizontal and vertical spacing of injections, which are largely determined by the site geology.
The lateral distance that the oxidant will travel from the point of injection is dependent on the reaction kinetics. The oxidant is consumed by the reaction, and can only travel as far as the reaction kinetics allow.
**Oxidant Demand/Dose – Primary Design Factor**

- Soil Matrix (TOC & Reduced Metals) is Generally Dominant
- Groundwater Constituents Relatively Unimportant
- Matrix Demand Commonly Exceeds Contaminant Demand
- Bench Scale Testing Critical

**Q: When is Oxidant Demand Too Great?**

**A:**
1. Cost
2. Can’t Deliver The Oxidant Volume
3. If Groundwater or Soil Quality Is Impacted by Oxidant

No Notes
Actual Oxidant Dose Applied
For Residual DNAPL Treatment

Credit: Aquifer Solutions, Inc.

* Knowledge of Dose Requirements Evolving
* Ozone Data May Reflect Bio/Other Processes Contributing to Overall Treatment

Circles represent full-scale, successful, published DNAPL treatment case studies
Design Basis - Bench Testing

- Groundwater-Only Systems
  - Don’t Account for Soil Interactions
  - Can provide very preliminary information

- Soil – Groundwater Slurry Systems
  - Allows Measurement of Soil Interactions
  - Provides Soil Oxidant Demand
  - Allows Measurement of Metals Solubility and Attenuation

- Flow Through Column Tests
  - Useful for Kinetic-Transport Studies & Research
  - Not Commonly Conducted on ISCO Projects

No Notes
Example Bench Slurry Test – KMnO₄ Oxidant Demand Test

Credit: Aquifer Solutions, Inc.

No Notes
Design Basis - Field Pilot Testing

- Site the Pilot Test in a Representative Area
- Conduct Sufficient Background and Pre-Test Monitoring to Assess changes in Site Conditions
- Allow Sufficient Duration for All Oxidation Reactions to Go to Completion
- Some Common Observations:
  - Increase of Dissolved Contaminants at Early Time.
  - Rapid Decrease in Dissolved Levels at Later Time.
  - Post-Treatment Rebound in dissolved levels.
- Need to Monitor/Sample Soils to Assess Level of Mass Reduction

Results from a pilot test will often modify the design.
Example Field Pilot Test – Cape Canaveral Demonstration

Credit: The Shaw Group

No Notes
At this time we will consider any questions you may have.
Fenton’s Reagent

- Process:
  - Hydrogen Peroxide and Iron Catalyst React to Produce Hydroxyl Radicals (OH•).
  - Research Showing That Other Radical Species (Superoxide Anion, Hydroperoxide, etc) May be More Active Than OH•.

- Basic Reaction:
  - \( \text{H}_2\text{O}_2 + \text{Fe}^{2+} \rightarrow \text{Fe}^{3+} + \text{OH}^- + \text{OH}• \)
  - Hydroxyl Radicals are non-Specific Oxidizing Agents
  - Contaminants converted to \( \text{H}_2\text{O}, \text{CO}_2, \) & Halides (Cl⁻)

- Variations:
  - “Traditional” Fenton’s – Acidified to Keep Fe in Solution
  - “Modified” Fenton’s – Chelated Iron w/o Acidification

No Notes
Fenton’s Design Considerations

- What Hydrogen Peroxide Dose is Required?
  - Based on Contaminant Mass and Oxidation Side-Reactions
- How Much Catalyst is Needed & What Formulation?
- What Hydrogen Peroxide Concentration is Appropriate?
  - Higher Concentrations More Aggressive
  - Higher Concentrations Lead to Peroxide Decomposition and Heat and Off-Gas Generation
- How Persistent is the Peroxide in the Surface and How Far Will it Flow From the Injection Point?
Safety - Hydrogen Peroxide

- **Chemical Handling, Transportation, and Storage**
  - Hydrogen Peroxide is highly reactive and must be handled by trained personnel in accordance with appropriate procedures.

- **Subsurface Application Hazards**
  - Heat
  - Off-Gas
  - Vapor Migration

- **Well-Head Pressurization and Blow-Offs are Sometimes Observed.**

- **Peroxide Injection into Free Product Must Be Closely Monitored to Prevent Fire or Explosion.**

- **Subsurface Peroxide Injection Should Be Closely Monitored, and Reactions Ramped-Up Slowly.**

No Notes
Thermodynamics of Hydrogen Peroxide Degradation

Marvin et al., 2002

No Notes
Fenton’s Reagent Treatment Mechanisms

- Advanced Oxidation Via Hydroxyl Radicals
  - Amended Catalyst
  - Soil Mineral Catalyst
- Advanced Oxidation Via Other Radical Species
  - Superoxide Anion
  - Hydroperoxide
- Direct Oxidation by Hydrogen Peroxide
- Contaminant Boiling and Volatilization
  - Hydrogen Peroxide Decomposition is Exothermic
- Assess the Degree of Treatment by Oxidation Vs. Volatilization Through Subsurface Monitoring
  - Temperature
  - Vapor Concentrations
  - CO₂ Production

Injection at concentrations greater than 11 percent peroxide can cause the ground water to boil.

Each pound of hydrogen peroxide can release 1,200 BTUs of heat energy and up to six cubic feet of oxygen gas.
## Fenton’s Reagent Process Options

- Several Proprietary Process Options are Commercialized. Variations Relate To:
  - Hydrogen Peroxide Concentration
  - Iron Catalyst Formulation and Delivery
  - Injection Equipment
  - Injection Pressure and Flow
- Mixture of 35% H$_2$O$_2$, Acid, and Ferrous Sulfate *Was Previously* Typical
- Currently for Both “Traditional” and “Modified”:
  - Lower H$_2$O$_2$ concentrations (10% - 15%) More Commonly Used to Reduce Heat and Gas Generation
  - Various Iron Formulations, Many Proprietary
Fenton’s Reagent; Specific Data Needs

- Additional Data Needs for Fenton’s Projects
  - VOCs / LEL in Soil Gas and Vapor Receptors
  - CO₂, O₂ May Help Separate Oxidative Destruction Vs. Boiling & Volatilization
  - Fe in Soil & Groundwater
  - Alkalinity of Soil and Groundwater

No Notes
Oxidants can be injected via driven lances or wellheads.
Oxidant may be applied directly to contaminated soil.
Ozone Oxidation

- Ozone (O$_3$) is a Gas that is Generated On-Site
- Ozone is a Very Powerful Oxidizer
- Applicable Contaminants
  - Chlorinated Solvents
  - PAHS, Chlorinated Phenols
  - PCBs, Pesticides
- Ozone is Generated From Oxygen, and Degrades to Oxygen
- Since Ozone is a Gas it is most Ideal for Vadose Zone Treatment, Compared to Liquid Oxidants

No Notes
Ozone Safety

- Subsurface Ozone Reactions are Non-Energetic
- Catalyst Beds Can Be Used for Ozone Gas Destruction in SVE off-gas.
- Ozone Generators Produce up to 50,000 ppm \( \text{O}_3 \), while the IDLH is 10 ppm and the TLV is 0.1 ppm
- Confined Spaces with Ozone Generators Need Continuous Air Monitoring.
- All Equipment in Contact with Ozone Must Be Stainless Steel or Teflon and Oil-Free.
- Ozone Injection System Leak Testing is Critical.
  - Pressure Testing May Not Find All Leaks.
  - Use Potassium Iodide solution (ozone colorimetric detector) on a paper towel to detect small leaks.

No Notes
**Ozone Implementation**

- Gas Injection Above Water Table (Vadose Zone)
  - Ozone Gas Applicable to Source Zone Treatment in Vadose Zone
  - Gas Flow Easier to Control than Injection of Liquid Solutions
- Gas Sparging Below Water Table (Saturated Zone)
  - Ozone Sparging More Difficult to Ensure Uniform Delivery Compared to Liquid Solutions
  - Applicable to Source Zone Treatment of “Reactive Barrier” Implementation
- Both Approaches Can Be Combined with Soil Vapor Extraction to Control Ozone Off-Gas

No Notes
Ozone Gas Mass Transfer

Ozone Depleted, Contaminant Rich Gas Stream

Gas Flow Fingers

Ozone Rich, Contaminant Lean Gas Stream

NAPL & Sorbed PAHs

Soil Particle

Ozone and Contaminant Diffusion

Contaminant Oxidation

No Notes
Ozone Oxidation Mechanisms

Step 1: Add O₃

Step 2A - Chemical Oxidation

Step 2B - "Chem-Bio"

CO₂

H₂O

Biodegradation

Also - Hydroxy Radicals (OH) Generated from Ozone

No Notes
Ozone Oxidation Implementation and Logistics

- Ozone Generation systems
  - Continuous Pressure and Flow
  - Continuous Ozone Output
- Injection systems
  - Continuous Injection
  - Pulsed Injection
  - Multi-Level Wells Help Ozone Distribution
- Optimization of Biodegradation Co-Process
  - Aerobic Conditions
  - Co-Metabolic Microbial Process Enhanced by Partial Ozone Oxidation

No Notes
Ozone Monitoring Specifics

* Subsurface
  * Contaminants in Soil and Aqueous Phases
  * Ozone Gas Distribution
  * Dissolved Ozone Distribution
  * Vadose Zone Soil Moisture Monitoring

* Work Space Air Monitoring – Safety
  * Time-Weighted Ozone Monitoring in Breathing Space
  * Confined Spaces with Ozone Generators Require Continuous Monitoring
Manifold system and injection points are visible in the foreground.
Permanganate Oxidation

- Permanganate is the Most Stable But Least Aggressive Oxidant (compared to ozone and peroxide)
- Permanganate is available as either KMnO₄ or NaMnO₄
- Application Methods Employed To Date:
  - Batch Injection of Liquid Solution
  - Recirculation of Liquid Solution
  - Fracture Emplacement of Liquid Solution
  - Fracture Emplacement of Crystalline Solids

Two Forms of Permanganate Commercially Available

KMnO₄
Solid Crystals Commonly Mixed to Create Aqueous Solutions.
Process May Involve Manual or Automated Mixing Systems.
Lower Solubility of KMnO₄ Limits Possibility for Energetic Reactions.

NaMnO₄
Liquid Product Facilitates Mixing Compared to Solid Crystals.
Diluted NaMnO₄ Is Safer to Handle Than Full-strength 40% Solution.
40% NaMnO₄ Is a Strong Oxidizing Solution, That Can React Energetically. Never Neutralize Concentrated NaMnO₄ Liquid Solution.
**KMnO₄**
- Granular Solid 100% KMnO₄
- Usually Mixed Into Liquid Solutions
- Solubility ~ 5% to 7%
- Less Expensive than Na

**NaMnO₄**
- Manufactured from KMnO₄ by ion exchange
- Sold as 40% Liquid Solution
- Chinese Imports Becoming More Available
- More Expensive and More Hazardous Than KMnO₄
- Price Commonly Quoted per lb Solution, Not per lb NaMnO₄

No Notes
Permanganate leaves a distinctive purple stain.
Permanganate Oxidation

* Applicable Contaminants
  - Chlorinated Ethenes (TCE, DCE, etc)
  - PAHs
  - Other Double-Bonded Organics

* Non-Applicable Contaminants
  - PCBs, Pesticides
  - Chlorinated Ethanes (TCA, DCA, etc.)

* Frequently Asked Questions:
  - What About MnO₂ Precipitation?
  - What About Manganese Residual in Soil or Groundwater?
**KMnO₄ Reactions with Chlorinated Solvents**

- **Perchloroethene (PCE)**
  \[4 \text{KMnO}_4 + 3 \text{C}_2\text{Cl}_4 + 4 \text{H}_2\text{O} \rightarrow 6\text{CO}_2 + 4\text{MnO}_2 + 4\text{K}^+ + 12\text{Cl}^- + 8\text{H}^+\]

- **Trichloroethene (TCE)**
  \[2 \text{KMnO}_4 + \text{C}_2\text{HCl}_3 \rightarrow 2\text{CO}_2 + 2\text{MnO}_2 + 3\text{Cl}^- + \text{H}^+ + 2\text{K}^+\]

- **Dichloroethene (DCE)**
  \[8 \text{KMnO}_4 + 3\text{C}_2\text{H}_2\text{Cl}_2 + 2\text{H}^+ \rightarrow 6\text{CO}_2 + 8\text{MnO}_2 + 8\text{K}^+ + 6\text{Cl}^- + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}\]

- **Vinyl Chloride (VC)**
  \[10\text{KMnO}_4 + 3\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{Cl} \rightarrow 6\text{CO}_2 + 10\text{MnO}_2 + 10\text{K}^+ + 3\text{Cl}^- + 7\text{OH}^- + \text{H}_2\text{O}\]

This slide shows the reactions of potassium permanganate with common chlorinated solvent contaminants.
Intermediate products are produced during the reaction. (Ref. Yan and Schwartz, 1998, in Physical, Chemical, and Thermal Technologies, Battelle Press, Columbus, OH)
Safety - Permanganate

- Subsurface Reactions Generally Non-Energetic
- Proper Oxidant Handling is Needed
  - Any Concentrated Oxidant is Potentially Hazardous
  - Concentrated Liquid NaMnO₄ must be diluted before neutralization
  - Crystalline KMnO₄ Solids Represent Potential Reaction and Dust Hazard
- While Permanganate is the Least Aggressive Oxidant
  - It Can Still React Energetically During Handling
  - Accident Occurred in Piketon Ohio Resulting in Thermal Burns From Explosion of Concentrated NaMnO₄ During Handling.

Safety first with ISCO! Worker safety training is a must.
Thermodynamics of Permanganate Neutralization

Curves Represent Reaction with Excess Oxidant

- Hydrogen Peroxide
- Sodium Thiosulfate
- Sodium Bisulfite

Marvin et al., 2002

No Notes
Batches of permanganate are mixed on site prior to injection.
### Oxidation Technology Selection

Each oxidant has positive and negative aspects to consider. The oxidant must be selected based on the individual site needs.

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| Fenton’s Reagent (OH\(^+\), SOP = -2.87 V) | *Produces Strong Oxidant, hydroxyl radical (OH\(^+\)).*  
*Release of heat and gas enhances volatilization and mixing* | *Requires pH reduction, HCO\(_3\)- Buffering Problematic*  
*Peroxide instability*  
*Release of heat and gas may mobilize contaminants* |
| Ozone (O\(_2\), SOP = -2.07 V) | *Strong gaseous oxidant.*  
*Can produce free radicals.*  
*Gas well suited to vadose zone injection.* | *Requires Continuous Injection Process.*  
*Difficult Delivery into Groundwater (Sparging).* |
| Permanganate (MnO\(_4\)\(^-\), SOP = -1.7 V) | *Highly persistent solution can be delivered over large areas in subsurface.*  
*Dilute solutions relatively safe to handle* | *Not strong enough oxidizer for some compounds (i.e. TCA, DCA, pesticides, PCBs, others)*  
*Impurities in Permanganate significant at very large dose.* |
Monitoring Issues for All Oxidants

**Treatment Monitoring**
- Oxidation is a “Destructive” Technology with No Ability to Measure/Track Extracted Contaminant Mass
- Sampling and Analysis of all Phases (especially soils) Before and After Treatment is Required to Characterize Contaminant Mass Destruction.

**Post-Treatment and Closure Monitoring**
- Allow Sufficient Time to Evaluate Conditions After the Site Reaches a New, Post-treatment Equilibrium
- All Oxidant Must Be Consumed Before Post-treatment Conditions Are Assessed
- Post-treatment Rebound (Increase) in Dissolved Contaminants Can Be Observed Due to Desorption and NAPL Dissolution

No Notes
Technical Summary Slide – Safety

- **Chemical Handling Safety**
  - Experienced and Trained Personnel
  - Safe Procedures and Practices
  - Limit Concentrations of Oxidants and Neutralizers (Reductants) Handled by Site Personnel to Increase Safety.

- **Environmental Safety**
  - Implement Field Monitoring, If Receptors May Potentially Be Impacted by Either Oxidants or Displaced Contaminants.

- **Engineering Safety**
  - Equipment Controls
  - Material Chemical Compatibility

No Notes
Federal programs require that “substantive technical requirements” be complied with, however, “administrative requirements” may be avoided in some circumstances.

The administrative requirements such as; fees, public hearings, and other non-technical requirements are waived. The public hearing process is often part of the remedial process under CERCLA and RCRA.
ISC0 Permitting (continued)

- Underground Injection Control (UIC)
  - Usually Oxidation Treatment Viewed as Beneficial to Aquifer Quality
  - Common Concerns
    - Constituents in the injected fluid exceed a primary or secondary drinking water standard
    - Formation of toxic intermediate products
    - Unknown toxicity of a constituent of the oxidant/catalyst
    - Formation/mobilization of colloids due to breakdown of NOM
    - Migration of contaminants away from the plume or source area

There are few regulatory concerns specific ISCO. However, the oxidants will oxidize metals making some of them more mobile. Pb, As, U, & Cr are some that may trigger regulatory concern. Ozone and peroxide degrade to oxygen and oxygen and hydrogen respectively. MnO₄ degrades to MnO₂. Manganese dioxide is a brown black crystalline solid that is a regulatory concern due to aesthetic considerations rather than health effects. (It stains anything but glass.)

The injection well requirements that the injected solution stay in the targeted zone, that the injectant does not mobilize secondary contaminants, that it does not further degrade an aquifer, and other technical requirements still apply.

Additional details available in the ITRC ISCO Technical and Regulatory Guidance Document – download at no-cost at: www.itrcweb.org
Stakeholder & Tribal Issues

* Identify Stakeholders
  - Local Officials
  - Indian Tribes
  - Neighborhood Organizations
  - Individual Citizens

* Involve Stakeholders in the Process
  - Problem Identification
  - Site Investigation & Remedy Selection
  - Timely Response to Inquiries

Stakeholder issues with ISCO are primarily the same as with any invasive treatment technique. “Stakeholders” are any person or group that is interested in the site. The best way to address their concerns is to include them at as many steps of the process as possible.
In Closing

- ISCO Technologies are an option for fast remediation
- Oxidants and contaminants degrade to harmless substances
- Limitations like any other technique
- No unique regulatory issues for ISCO
- Safe Handling of chemicals is essential
- ITRC States are in the process of concurring on using the “ITRC ISCO Tech & Reg Guidance” as a tool to evaluate the appropriateness of proposals containing ISCO (States already concurring: AL, CO, IL, KS, LA, MO, ND, NH, NY, OK, OR, SC, TN, VA, VT, WV)

What is the ITRC state concurrence process?
State concurrence is the formal review and documented acceptance of the willingness to use/test ITRC Technical and Regulatory Guidance Documents. It does not mean that your state concurs on the technology, but that your state is concurring on the use of the document as a decision-making tool to evaluate the appropriateness of the use of the technology at sites in your state. The Point of Contact (POC) in each ITRC state is responsible for having the appropriate personnel in their state agency review the ITRC Technical and Regulatory Guidance Documents and to provide their state's level of concurrence on each document. The POC will then send a letter to the ITRC State Engagement Coordinator indicating their state's level of concurrence on the specific document. This information is maintained and updated in a concurrence matrix. The intent is to provide concurrence information to document users via the website.

Why is the concurrence process important?
The concurrence process serves as a formal mechanism to gain state commitment to use the ITRC products and services. In addition, concurrence on ITRC Technical and Regulatory Guidance Documents provides predictability for parties wanting to use an innovative technology in an ITRC state.
You may download a free copy of the ITRC document “Technical and Regulatory Requirements for In Situ Chemical Oxidation” at www.itrcweb.org
Additional resources for this ITRC internet training event are available at:

http://clu-in.org/conf/itrc/isco/resource.htm

Information on ITRC at: http://www.itrcweb.org

Your feedback is important – please fill out the form at: http://www.clu-in.org/conf/itrc/isco/feedback.cfm

The benefits that ITRC offers to state regulators and technology developers, vendors, and consultants include:

• helping regulators build their knowledge base and raise their confidence about new environmental technologies
• helping regulators save time and money when evaluating environmental technologies
• guiding technology developers in the collection of performance data to satisfy the requirements of multiple states
• helping technology vendors avoid the time and expense of conducting duplicative and costly demonstrations
• providing a reliable network among members of the environmental community to focus on innovative environmental technologies

How you can get involved in ITRC:

• Join a team – with just 10% of your time you can have a positive impact on the regulatory process
• Sponsor ITRC’s technical teams and other activities
• Be an official state member by appointing a POC (Point of Contact) to the State Engagement Team
• Use our products and attend our training courses
• Submit proposals for new technical teams and projects
• Be part of our annual conference where you can learn the most up-to-date information about regulatory issues surrounding innovative technologies