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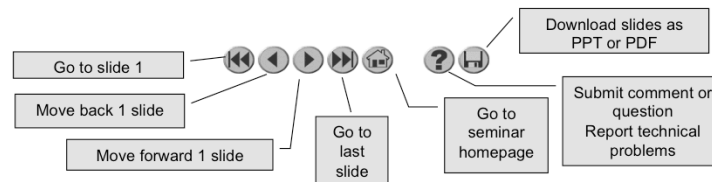
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# ***Greener Cleanups*** **Savannah River Site** **Case Studies**

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## Green Remediation Definition

EPA defines green remediation as the practice of *considering all environmental effects* of remedy implementation and incorporating options to *minimize the environmental footprints* of cleanup actions.

Green remediation is intended to *reduce the demand* placed on the *environment* during cleanup actions and to conserve natural resources.



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## Federal Facilities Sites

- ◆ EPA is not the Lead Agency
- ◆ Communication
  - Communicate early, clearly, and often
  - Explain your needs and expectations and why you need them
  - How would a Win-Win look?



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Win-win includes EPA, the PRP(s), their contractors, the environment, and the community (reuse, protection, jobs, local contractors), etc.

## What Are Your Needs (and Theirs)?

- ◆ Are they measuring what you are measuring?
  - If not, can or will they?
  
- ◆ What are their Agency's goals?
  - Do they have a green remediation strategy or equivalent "directive"?
  
- ◆ Consider the size, mission, and funding of the Agency.
  - Perhaps another Agency measures these for them or they have an agreement with an university or nonprofit



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Consider the motto: you do as you are measured! If being green is not a metric being measured in the PRP's or their contractor's performance, it may not be a priority.

## Who Has What You Need?

- ◆ Coordinate with the PRP's organization to get what you need
  - Who manages their green remediation strategy?
  - Information is in another department, i.e., Public Relations, Facilities Management, Pollution Prevention (P2), Contracting, their Headquarters agency, or Contractors
  - Contractors may be incentivized to measure or reduce greenhouse gases or their company may want to do it for their public relations efforts



## Green Remediation at the Savannah River Site



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Owned by the Department of Energy in Aiken, South Carolina  
Over 300 acres on the Savannah River near Augusta, GA  
Part of the nuclear weapons complex since the 1950's



## BaroBall™ Control Valve with Volume Flow Measurement

Control valve used with Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE)

Modifies barometric pumping

Hybrid of active and passive SVE

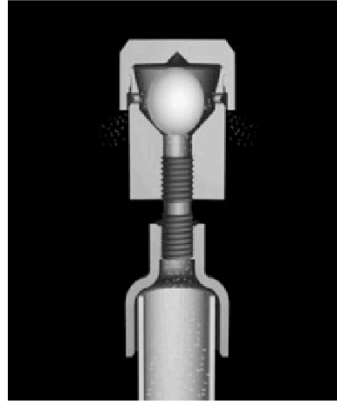


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The BaroBall™ control valve increases the efficiency of barometric pumping and allows natural soil gas to flow out of an underground well, while restricting air flow from the surface into the well. Air flowing into the well from the surface will dilute and possibly spread contaminants still present in the subsurface.

## The BaroBall™ Control Valve: a ping pong ball

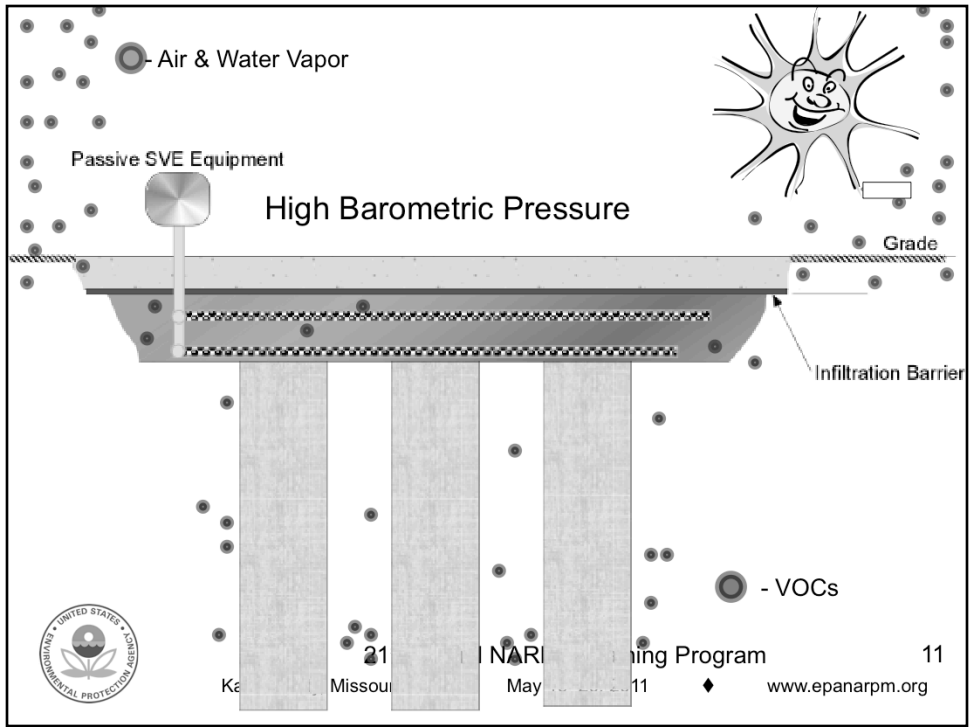
- ◆ When atmospheric pressure is higher than the pressure in the well, the ball is forced down and seals the valve, preventing surface air from entering
- ◆ When the pressure in the well is greater than the surface pressure, the ball rises on the stream of air, opening the valve and allowing vapor to exit.



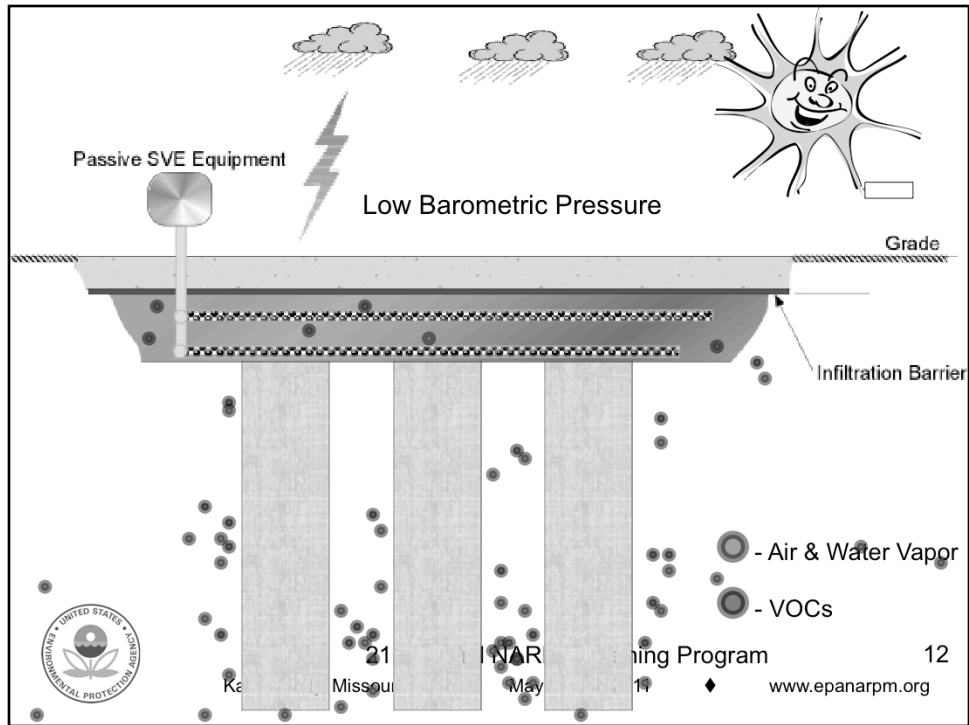
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The Baroball significantly increases the effectiveness of barometric pumping by preventing the inflow of air into a venting well when atmospheric pressures reverse, a condition that can reduce contaminant removal by diluting and disbursing the pollutant. Its design consists of a simple plastic sphere that seals the well from incoming surface air.

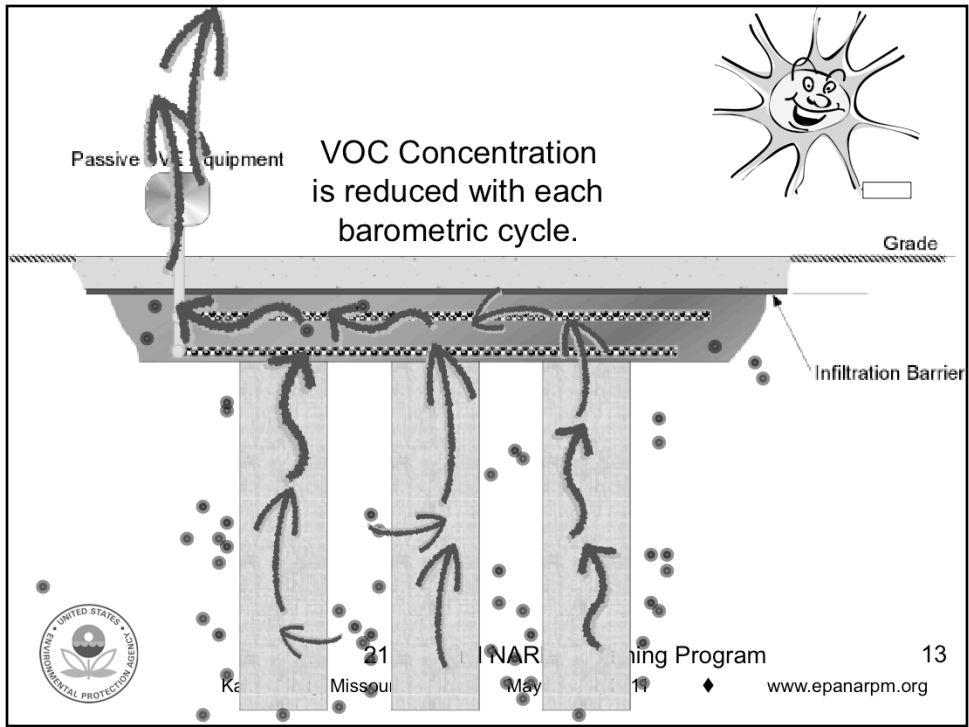
It is an enhancement of a “passive” system and uses no energy to operate.



High Barometric Pressure keeps the VOCs within the vadose zone and from escaping into the atmosphere



When atmospheric pressure is low, gas/vapors from the soil raise and exit the surface



## BaroBall™ Benefits

- ◆ Simple mechanical device
- ◆ Easy to install and maintain
- ◆ Low-cost
- ◆ No GHG emissions
- ◆ Minimal land disruption
- ◆ Re-usable
- ◆ Minimal man-power
- ◆ No inputs



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Compare other methods to remediate volatiles from the vadose zone – dig and haul, cap have much higher environmental impacts and cost. Bioremediation could have greater cost in terms of chemical inputs and last disruption. SRS is using this technology in at least 8 Operable Units at their facility.

## MicroBlowers

- ◆ Subsurface remediation tool
- ◆ Small pump connected directly to the wellhead to remove contaminated soil gas (SVE)
- ◆ Useful for long-term cleanup, particularly where mass transfer limits the rate of remediation
- ◆ Can be powered by small batteries, small photovoltaic panels, or wind generators (requires 20 – 40 watts of power)



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The microblower is a low flow, low power, active soil vapor extraction device connected directly to the wellhead to remove contaminated soil gas. Microblowers can be operated either by power provided directly by a solar panel or by a solar recharged battery.

## MicroBlowers

- ◆ Removed 234 pounds of volatile organic compounds from a contaminated groundwater plume over 10 months
- ◆ Can be used with a Baroball™ in a hybrid system



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In a hybrid system with the Baroball, during daylight hours, the microblower would operate to remove soil gas. In the afternoon/evening, when solar power is not available, barometric pumping would remove contaminated soil gas. Perhaps the greatest potential for the MicroBlower is in treatment polishing of an area treated by an expensive, large blower system that still has residual contamination. Installation of an economical MicroBlower system to finish the cleanup at greatly reduced costs, allows the larger systems to be used where they can produce greater returns.



## Solar-Powered Remote Monitoring (RMS)

- ◆ Solar energy is used to power a RMS for MNA remediation at two ground-water wells
- ◆ Wireless data collection, analysis, transmission, and data management
- ◆ Remotely detect halogenated VOC levels in ground water



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In addition to the solar powered microblowers, solar energy is used to power a remote monitoring system (RMS) for MNA remediation at two ground-water wells. The RMS consists of wireless data collection, analysis, transmission, and data management, and is intended to remotely detect halogenated VOC levels in the contaminated ground water.

### Environmental Benefits :

Reduced transportation: Routine Field Work: Two pickup trucks for site preparation, construction, treatment system monitoring, sampling, and repair over five-year duration      19,760 gallons fuel      383,344      pounds of CO<sub>2</sub>  
Reduced IDW and Lab waste stream

## Passive and Real-Time Sampling

- ◆ Reduce or eliminate IDW
- ◆ Reduce lab waste stream
- ◆ Reduce transportation



*Passive Sampler  
(Diffusion Sampler) for  
TCE in monitoring  
wells and wetland soils*



*Fiber Optic  
Chemical Sensors*



*Surveillance and Measurement  
System (SAMS) 935*

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Opportunities to reduce environmental footprint in sampling and investigations.

Passive samplers (sometimes referred to as diffusion samplers) consist of sealed polyethylene bags filled with deionized water. The bags are suspended directly in a well screen for a period of approximately 14 days. During this time, the bag is exposed to the natural groundwater flow through the screen zone. Representative amounts of trichloroethylene (TCE) and tetrachloroethylene (PCE) have been demonstrated to diffuse from the groundwater into the deionized water in the bags. The deionized water can then be sampled and analyzed using conventional methods. **No pumping of groundwater is required and sampling labor costs and purge water disposal costs are significantly reduced.**

1QFY00, 2QFY00 **Study Area/Project:** A/M Area Southern Sector, C-BRP

Fiber optic chemical sensors provide real time capabilities for stream monitoring and down well groundwater and waste processing. Fiber optic chemical sensors have been developed to monitor carbon tetrachloride (CCl<sub>4</sub>) and trichloroethylene (TCE). Fiber optic chemical sensor technology detects carbon tetrachloride at parts per million levels and trichloroethylene at parts per billion levels. This technology provides real time analysis versus one week lab analysis.

The Surveillance and Measurement System (SAM) 935 is a hand-held radiation detector used as a screening tool to determine the presence of contaminants. The SAM 935 uses a thallium-activated sodium iodide detector to provide isotopic identification.

- ☑ It provides instant results. Real time analytical results allow the project team members to make informed decisions in the field;
- ☑ It decreases the number of samples sent to the laboratory for analysis by identifying “suspect” areas of contamination;
- ☑ It lowers the potential dose to the sampler by decreasing exposure time;
- ☑ It decreases waste generation during sampling. *In situ* analyses require less field equipment, generate less investigative derived waste and reduce the need for tighter radiological controls than conventional invasive sampling;
- ☑ *In situ* analyses eliminated the need for extensive mobilization planning

3QFY04 **Study Area/Project:** TNX Outfall Delta

## Rapid Hydrophobic Sampling (FLUTE) provides detailed delineation of DNAPL

Reusable nylon liner, with a hydrophobic ribbon impregnated with dye, used in borehole

Presence of DNAPL is indicated by brilliant red marks on the ribbon

Can be used in small diameter CPT holes

*In situ*, eliminates need for drilling and collection of soil samples to determine DNAPL locations



Relatively inexpensive and quick

No special equipment



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If used to optimize location of drilling, FLUTE can reduce environmental impacts (GHG), Investigation Derived Waste (IDW). The hydrophobic flexible membrane was used at SRS in FY98 beneath M Area Solvent Storage Tanks to determine a vertical profile of NAPL in the subsurface. This technology is reusable, quick, in situ, inexpensive, and reduces the need for drilling and soil collection.

## Emerging Green Remediation Tools SRNL



*Groundwater and wastewater remediation  
using Agricultural Oils*

*Bamboo for maintaining  
caps and covers*



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Bamboo have shallow roots, and are needed to crowd out pines, prevent erosion, and limit infiltration. SRNL is also exploring a groundwater treatment technique that employs agricultural oils to stimulate endogenous microbes which accelerates the cleanup.

The oils tested include a wide variety of oils including canola oil, rapeseed oil, coconut oil, corn oil, cottonseed oil, olive oil, and beeswax. The system utilizes a long-term, slow release, electron donor/carbon source for microorganisms.

This technology can be used to treat wastewater, seepage, surface water and/or groundwater contaminated with sulfate, nitrate/nitrite, perchlorate, redox sensitive metals, or chlorinated solvents.

### **Edible Oil Deployment**

- Recently deployed in T Area to remediate solvent contaminated groundwater
- Injection / extraction to enhance treatment zone
- Promotes enhanced attenuation
- Aquifer becomes anaerobic, initiating reductive dechlorination
- Positive test results
- Solvent (TCE) plume size decrease
- Biological / chemical parameters confirm reductive dechlorination is occurring (i.e., methane generation)
- Allows shutdown of existing pump-and-treat system

SRNL: vegetation cover to prevent erosion and extract water from the cap. Vegetation on a cap has to be quick-growing, shallow-rooted so as not to penetrate the layers, densely rooted, cold hardy, drought tolerant, and able to thrive in full sun. It also needs to be good at preventing invasion of other plants, especially pines. We thought bamboos would have good potential.

## Green Remediation at Federal Sites

- ◆ Can be a win for everyone involved
- ◆ Requires effective communication, Agency coordination, and consideration of each other's needs and priorities
- ◆ Can be a great asset for engaging the community
- ◆ Can be cost effective, especially with long-term O&M costs and oversight



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# Renewable Energy Pre-Feasibility Analysis at Apache Powder Superfund Site



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## **Apache Powder Presentation Overview**

**I - Site Overview – History and “Green” Remedies**

**II - Renewable Energy (RE) Evaluation Process**

**III - Moving Towards a Solar Future**

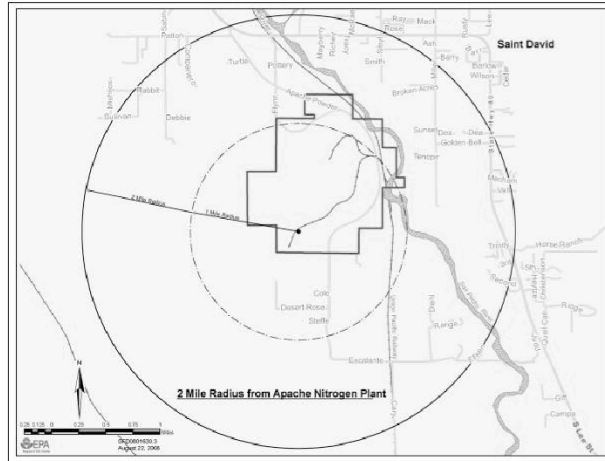
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## Site Location: Apache Nitrogen Products, Inc. (Benson, AZ)

Site occupies 9 square miles (~1,100 acres)



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## Background and Site History

- Apache Powder Company began explosives manufacturing operations in 1922.
- Manufactured dynamite for mines & nitrogen fertilizers for local agriculture.
- Closed powder line in 1980's & detonating cord plant in 1990's.
- Groundwater and soils contamination resulted from prior disposal practices.
- Listed on NPL in 1990.



## Soils Remedy: Closed and Capped Infiltration Ponds



- Superfund “construction complete” in 2008 for soils and groundwater activities
- Apache Nitrogen Products, Inc. (ANPI), the former Apache Powder Company, continues to manufacture fertilizers and chemical products on the Site



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## Groundwater Remedy: Wetlands & Monitored Natural Attenuation

- Constructed wetlands system treats nitrate-contaminated groundwater (24/7 - 365/days year)
- Avoids chemical usage, energy consumption and waste generation associated with traditional treatment methods
- Solar power used to circulate water between the wetlands ponds



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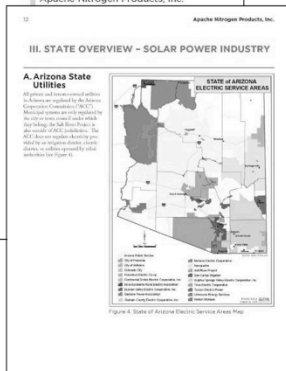
## Renewable Energy Analysis Process

1. Evaluate the renewable energy resource
2. Assess site suitability
3. Consider technology specific criteria
4. Review market and incentives



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## EPA Region 9 2008 Solar Energy Information Memorandum



The Memorandum provided:

- An overview of renewable energy industry in Arizona
- An overview of relevant State and federal standards
- A summary of site history and operations, status of the site clean-up, and facility physical assets



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# Evaluating State/Federal/Utility RE Policies

Information Memorandum | Site and Industry Overview

### IV. LOCAL UTILITY PROGRAMS

Most utility companies also offer incentives for renewable energy use. More specifically, Apache Products has local utility programs, 100% and 50% offer other programs for Commercial and Residential Users.

Utility Name	Renewable Energy Programs	Program Name	Program Description
Apache	100% and 50% Offer	100% and 50% Offer	100% and 50% Offer
Arizona	Arizona Public Service	Arizona Public Service	Arizona Public Service
California	California Public Utilities	California Public Utilities	California Public Utilities
Colorado	Colorado Public Utilities	Colorado Public Utilities	Colorado Public Utilities
Illinois	Illinois Public Utilities	Illinois Public Utilities	Illinois Public Utilities
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Apache Nitrogen Products, Inc.

### U.S. Renewable Energy Standards (RES)

State	Renewable	Year	Department/Agency
Alabama	15%	2025	Alabama Commission on Economic Development
Alaska	10%	2025	Alaska Department of Energy and Conservation
Arizona	15%	2025	Arizona Department of Energy Services
Arkansas	10%	2025	Arkansas Department of Energy and Conservation
California	33%	2020	California Public Utilities Commission
Colorado	10%	2020	Colorado Department of Public Safety
Connecticut	15%	2025	Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
Delaware	10%	2025	Delaware Department of Energy and Natural Resources
District of Columbia	10%	2025	D.C. Public Service Commission
Florida	10%	2025	Florida Department of Energy
Georgia	10%	2025	Georgia Department of Energy
Hawaii	100%	2025	Hawaii Department of Energy
Idaho	10%	2025	Idaho Department of Energy
Illinois	10%	2025	Illinois Department of Energy and Conservation
Indiana	10%	2025	Indiana Department of Energy
Iowa	10%	2025	Iowa Department of Energy
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Washington	10%	2025	Washington Department of Energy
West Virginia	10%	2025	West Virginia Department of Energy
Wisconsin	10%	2025	Wisconsin Department of Energy
Wyoming	10%	2025	Wyoming Department of Energy

\*Some states, Missouri, Virginia, and Vermont, have an interim goal for adopting renewable energy instead of a goal to reach by a certain year.

\*\*The states of Illinois, Missouri, Virginia, and Vermont, have no binding goal for adoption of renewable energy instead of a goal to reach by a certain year.

Memorandum also provided:

- An overview of U.S. renewable energy standards (“RES”)
- Summary of federal and state tax incentives
- Local utility incentives
- While tribes may not be able to take the credits, subsidiary companies created by developers may be able to take credits



## Purpose of Pre-Feasibility Solar Assessment

To evaluate the suitability of solar energy generation as a reasonable future use at the Apache Powder Superfund site and identify key considerations for further evaluation



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## Apache Energy Context

- On-site electricity use
  - 1-1.5 MW daily base use, 2 MW peak daily energy demand for operations
  - 2007 electrical consumption was ~14 million kWh
  - Sulphur Springs Valley Electric Cooperative (SSVEC) is local electricity provider (utility)
  
- Transmission Capacity
  - Existing substation rated at 69 kV
  - Transmission lines to Apache property are 10 MW, line capacity to substation is 40 MW
  - Future (2011-2012) 69 kV line will have 100 MW capacity



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## Apache Renewable Energy Evaluation

- Potential Solar Generation Scenarios for Site:
  - On-site Use:
    - Provide an on-site electricity source for all or a portion of facility's electricity use
    - Provide on-site steam to support manufacturing operations
  - Grid Use: Generate utility scale energy for the grid with potential revenue/financial benefits to Apache



## Evaluating Site Suitability

### Criteria included:

- > 15 acres
- < 5% slope
- Road Access
- Proximity to infrastructure
- Areas with washes, remedy components and facilities excluded

Assessment identified large, flat contiguous areas that are unrestricted by natural or constructed features.



## Solar Technology Assessment

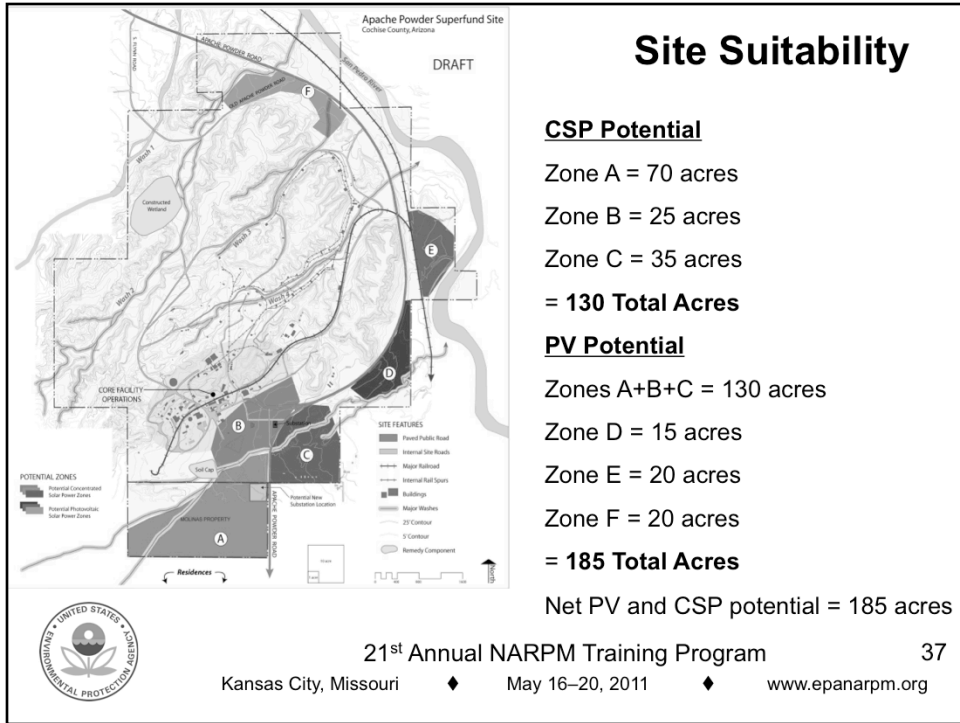
### Concentrating Solar Power (CSP) Versus Photovoltaic (PV)

Solar Technology Type	Acres per MW	Minimum Practical Acreage	Site Needs	Storage Capacity	Estimated* Annual Water Usage
CSP	3 – 8 acres / MW	40 – 50 acres	Large, contiguous, level area	Yes	Significant
PV	4 – 10 acres / MW	N/A	Flexible	No	Negligible

\*Estimates can vary based on specific technology

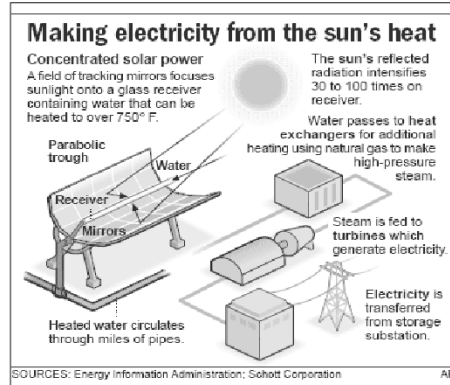


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# Technology Overview

## Concentrating Solar Power (CSP)

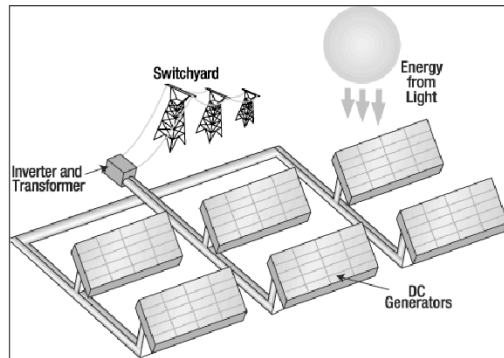


- CSP plants indirectly generate electricity
- Mirrors concentrate solar energy into high temperature heat or steam that powers a turbine
- Various solar thermal technologies at differing levels of commercial readiness



## Technology Overview

### Photovoltaic (PV)



- PV devices make use of highly purified silicon to convert sunlight directly into electricity
- PV can be expensive to operate on a kWh basis
- PV panel conversion efficiency typically between 10-20%



## Utility Scale PV: Installed Cost Estimates

Solar Photovoltaic Technology Type	Acres per MW	Estimated Facility Size (MW)	Estimated Land Area Needed (acres)	Estimated Capital Cost (\$ 1000)	Estimated Annual O&M Cost (\$ 1000)
Thin Film (fixed axis)	6-8	5	30-40	\$25,000 – 30,000	\$400 – 600
Crystalline Silicon (fixed axis)	4-5	5	20-25	\$30,000 – 36,000	\$450 – 600
PV Tracking	8-10	5	40-50	\$35,000 – 40,000	\$900 – 1,100



Tracking PV panels follow the sun to allow for increased solar capture.



Fixed axis PV panels aligned to be south facing.



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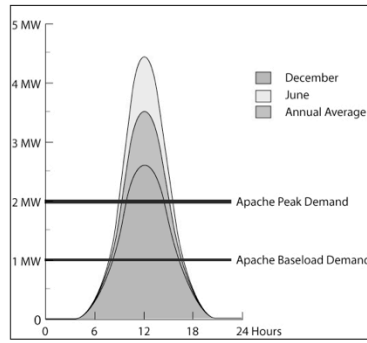
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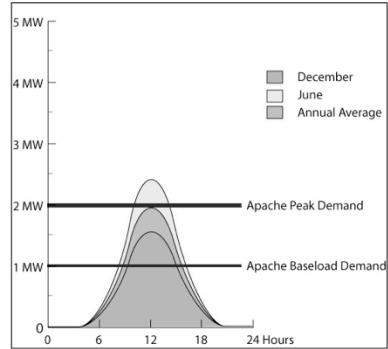
# PV Output - Sizing to On-site Demand

## Hypothetical Daily Generations

### 5 MW PV Array



### 3 MW Array



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## Summary of Site Opportunities

Potential Benefits of Solar	Potential Limitations for Solar
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Solar could help reduce peak electricity demand from grid</li> <li>▪ CSP could generate on-site steam</li> <li>▪ Solar could help hedge against conventional energy price volatility</li> <li>▪ Opportunity to generate and sell RECs (additional income)</li> <li>▪ Public relations benefits by use of renewable energy at an NPL site</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Not all on-site demand could be replaced due to intermittent electricity production</li> <li>▪ Arid, southwest environment (water issues) and available acreage limits viability of a CSP facility at site</li> <li>▪ Natural gas used in mfg. operations; solar would not impact natural gas use</li> <li>▪ A solar project exceeding 5 MW would require substation and transmission line upgrades</li> </ul>



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## Market Opportunities & Incentives

### Solar Incentives / Market Drivers

- Federal Incentives
  - Business Energy Tax Credits (aka Investment Tax Credits (ITCs))
  - Clean Renewable Energy Bonds (CREBs)
- State Incentives
  - Renewable Portfolio Standards (RPS)
  - Commercial/Industrial Solar Energy Tax Credit Program
- Utility Incentives
  - Up front incentives (Rebates)
  - Performance-based incentives
  - Feed-in Tariffs (FITs)



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## State Solar Deployment Trends

- Assess growth of PV solar from year to year
- Evaluate total PV capacity installed in a state relative to neighboring states or previous years

State	2009 Installed Capacity (MW)	2008 Installed Capacity (MW)	2007 Installed Capacity (MW)
California	220	178.7	91.8
New Jersey	257	22.5	20.4
Colorado	23	21.7	11.5
Arizona	23	6.4	2.8
Hawaii	14	8.6	2.9
New York	12	7.0	3.8
Nevada	7	14.9	15.9



## Plans Toward a Solar Future

- Several small-scale solar applications in place:
  - Flow measurement at the wetland
  - Lighting, motion detector, security camera and gate control
  - Pump for contaminated perched water extraction



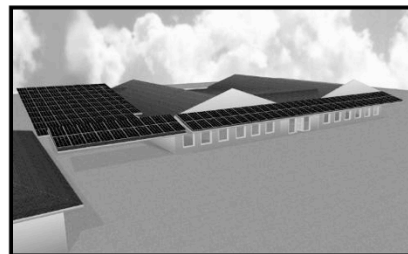
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## New Solar Shade Design

- Solar shade across the front and between ANP's Administration Buildings
- 41 kilowatt system. Annual electricity cost savings of \$6,400/year.
- Offsets 45% of energy usage. Payback in 6 years.
- Almost 100% of capital costs covered by federal and state tax credits, and utility incentives.



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## Solar Canopy Installed with Water Harvesting - November 2010



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## Long Term - High Concentration Photovoltaic (HCPV) Solar Technology

- Apache considered HCPV technology
- 2-axis tracking
- Uses 5 acres for 1 MW of rated capacity
- 72 feet wide and 49 feet high
- 3 foot pedestal with 18 foot installation depth



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## Lessons Learned - Apache

- **Solar energy development is compatible with Site and Superfund remedy**
- **Site has potential for direct use and utility-scale solar (PV preferred)**
- **High upfront capital costs for both CSP and PV (5 MW - minimum \$25M for PV and \$35M for CSP)**
- **Ability to utilize incentives and obtain a long term PPA critical for the economic viability of a utility scale project**



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## Lessons Learned - General

- **Public-Private Partnerships can effectively support renewable energy projects**
- **Establishing and Maintaining Relationships (Agencies/Utilities) is critical**
- **Superfund remedial process can provide information to fulfill permitting and other regulatory requirements**
- **Utility-scale renewable energy projects are complex, but manageable**



## Questions and Answers

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# Green Remediation South Tacoma Channel Well 12A

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## **Well 12A - Amendment to the Record of Decision October 2009**

- ◆ The RODA includes discussion of green remediation concepts in Section 7.1 Protection of Human Health and the Environment
- ◆ Consistent with the RAOs, opportunities may be sought during the implementation of the remedy to reduce its environmental footprint as defined in US EPA Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response Principles for Greener Cleanups




## Green Remediation Evaluation

- ◆ Green remediation evaluation was performed on the selected remedy identified in the ROD amendment in order to
  - Estimate the environmental footprint of the selected remedy
  - Identify the largest contributors to the footprint
  - Identify potential options for reducing the environmental footprint
- ◆ Findings were used to modify the design



**Table 23. Unit Footprints for Each Remedial Technology**

Volume Treated		Excavation		ITR		EAB		GETS	
		4,200		26,600		76,900		76,900	
Units for Volume Treated		cy		cy		cy		cy	
		Total Footprint	Unit Footprint per cy	Total Footprint	Unit Footprint per cy	Total Footprint	Unit Footprint per cy	Total Footprint	Unit Footprint per cy
Energy	Used (btu)	1.5E+09	3.5E+05	1.0E+11	3.9E+06	2.2E+09	2.8E+04	2.8E+10	3.7E+05
Water	Used (gal)	1.2E+06	3.0E+02	6.3E+05	2.4E+01	5.1E+06	6.6E+01	2.6E+08	3.4E+03
CO <sub>2</sub>	Emitted (lbs)	2.3E+05	5.4E+01	4.4E+05	1.7E+01	3.5E+05	4.6E+00	4.8E+05	6.3E+00
NO <sub>x</sub>	Emitted (lbs)	1.3E+03	3.1E-01	1.1E+03	4.1E-02	7.8E+02	1.0E-02	1.3E+03	1.7E-02
SO <sub>x</sub>	Emitted (lbs)	6.2E+02	1.5E-01	1.3E+03	4.7E-02	7.3E+02	9.5E-03	4.6E+03	6.0E-02
PM	Emitted (lbs)	3.2E+03	7.5E-01	2.7E+02	1.0E-02	1.1E+02	1.4E-03	3.0E+02	3.9E-03
Landfill Space	Used (tons)	7.9E+03	1.9E+00	2.1E+02	8.0E-03	1.3E+02	1.7E-03	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
Local Electricity	Used (kWh)	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	7.4E+06	2.8E+02	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	1.8E+06	2.3E+01
Local Water	Used (gal)	5.5E+03	1.3E+00	1.9E+05	7.2E+00	3.2E+06	4.1E+01	4.7E+04	6.1E-01
Local NO <sub>x</sub>	Emitted (lbs)	1.3E+03	3.0E-01	6.2E+02	2.3E-02	5.3E+02	6.9E-03	1.6E+02	2.0E-03
Local SO <sub>x</sub>	Emitted (lbs)	6.0E+02	1.4E-01	4.1E+02	1.6E-02	9.6E+01	1.2E-03	1.2E+02	1.5E-03
Local PM	Emitted (lbs)	3.2E+03	7.5E-01	6.9E+01	2.6E-03	4.5E+02	5.9E-03	9.4E+01	1.2E-03
Groundwater	Used	2.0E+05	4.7E+01	3.6E+03	1.4E-01	2.8E+04	3.6E-01	2.6E+08	3.4E+03
Other Factor 1	Used	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00
Other Factor 2	Used	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00	0.0E+00



■ Highest unit footprint for that metric

■ Lowest unit footprint for that metric

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## Green Remediation Design Modifications

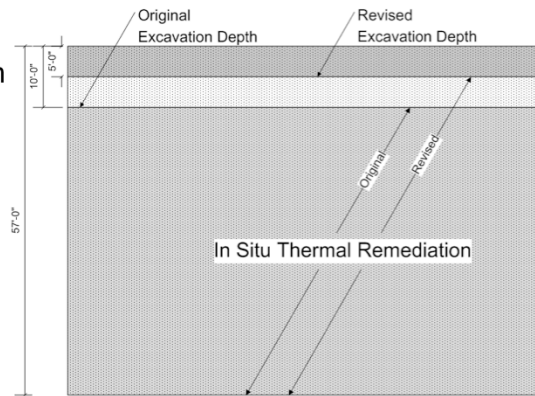
- ◆ Design modifications focused on the largest contributors to the environmental footprint
  - Excavation and offsite disposal was determined to have the greatest unit footprint per cubic yard by most metrics evaluated
  - While in situ thermal remediation (ISTR) is energy intensive, >98% of Tacoma's electricity is generated from hydroelectric and nuclear sources and thus by the metrics evaluated has a low environmental footprint relative to excavation





## Key Green Remediation Design Modification

Excavation volume reduced by ~50% from conceptual design presented in FFS in favor of ISTR to minimize the environmental footprint of the remedy. Subsequent RD Investigation supported further excavation volume reduction



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## Transportation and Disposal

- ◆ Specified preference for local borrow sources and disposal facilities
- ◆ Concrete to be segregated and recycled locally ~3 miles from site
- ◆ Soil to be pre-characterized for disposal at nearest subtitle C landfill to minimize transportation
- ◆ If treatment is required prior to disposal, the selected facility generates energy from the treatment process which goes back into the grid and is sold to the City of Seattle
- ◆ Transportation analysis to determine greenest transport method to disposal facility considering both rail, truck, and combination methods



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## Diesel Emissions

- ◆ No idling policy for all vehicles and equipment
- ◆ Require use of cleaner engines, cleaner fuel, and cleaner diesel emissions control technology on all diesel equipment > 50 hp
  - Engines to meet or exceed Tier I (off-road) or 2004 On-Highway Heavy Duty Engine Emissions Standards (on-road)
  - Low sulfur / Biodiesel requirements
  - EPA or California Air Resources Board (CARB) verified diesel particulate filters (DPFs) or diesel oxidation catalysts (DOCs)
- ◆ Contractor required to track emissions reduced associated with using cleaner diesel equipment and fuels



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## Other Green Remediation Elements

- ◆ ITR design investigation being conducted to refine CSM and delineate treatment zone using a dynamic work approach and 3-D modeling so the remedy can be implemented in the most efficient manner
  - ITR treatment zone will be refined thus minimizing the footprint of that technology
- ◆ Green remediation excavation specifications were developed specifying means and methods was avoided



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