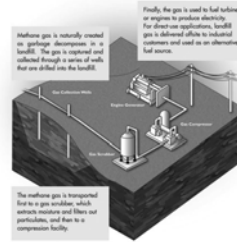




## RE on CL in Region 8



**WM**  
WASTE MANAGEMENT



2 \* 600 kilowatt turbines on former shooting range at Warren

### **Landfill Gas-to-Energy Plant**

Colorado's only operational landfill gas-to-energy plant will begin operation in early 2008. Located at the Denver Arapahoe Disposal Site near Hampden Avenue and Gun Club Road in Arapahoe County, it is expected to produce 3.2 megawatts of electricity, enough energy for about 3,000 homes.

Landfill gas consists of approximately 50 percent methane, 45 percent carbon dioxide, and other gases. It is produced from the normal decomposition of organic matter. The Denver-Arapahoe site, one of the largest landfills in the nation, generates approximately 1,200 cubic feet of landfill gas per minute. The gas is currently "flared" or burned off, but now it will be burned in four combustion engines and converted into electricity. This beneficial use of landfill gas will reduce the greenhouse gases produced at a coal-fired power plant through indirect offsets, and similarly reduce other air pollution emissions.

The City & County of Denver will sell the landfill gas to Waste Management of Colorado, which will construct, own, and operate the plant. Electricity from the plant will then be sold to Xcel Energy. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, landfill gas continues to be produced for twenty years or more even after a landfill is closed. The Denver-Arapahoe site could, therefore, operate for many decades to come.

Casper WY, Windfarm being constructed at former Chevron Refinery

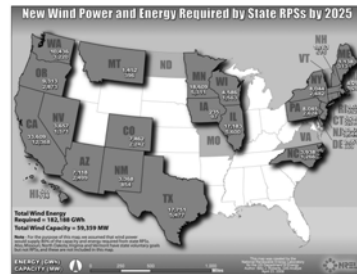
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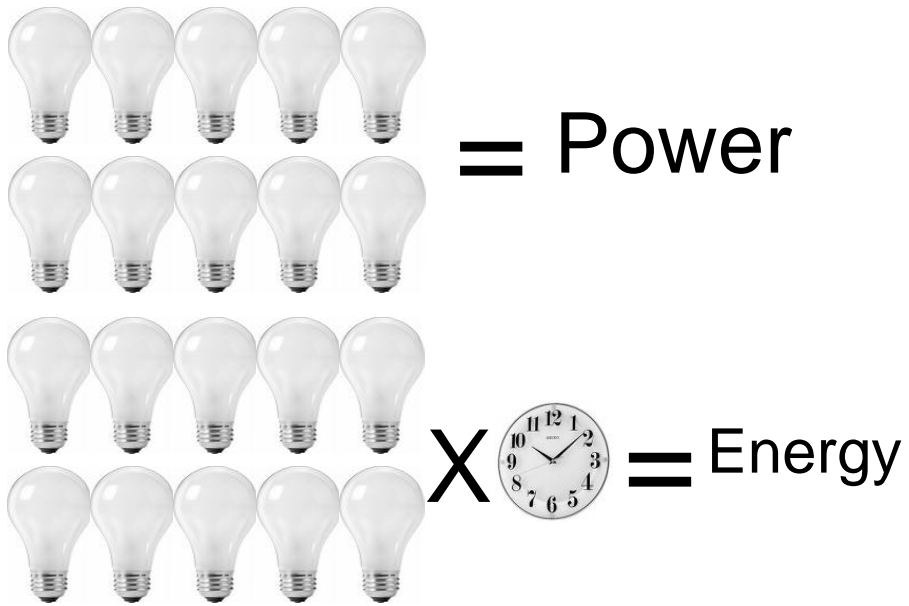
- *Many megawatts of Renewable Energy (RE) are needed to combat climate change; makes sense to locate it on compromised lands to extent possible;*
- RE can preclude inappropriate future land use: e.g. residential use on land cleaned to industrial standards;
- RE provides a short or long term beneficial reuse of land;
- *RE can reduce operation and maintenance costs,*
- Existing infrastructure (roads, transmission) at most cleanup

# Why Emphasize Renewable Energy on Contaminated Land

- RE creates economic redevelopment opportunities for properties where other options are limited;
- More States are adopting renewable energy standards;
- Development on CL reduces Greenfield development; and
- *Finally, siting renewable energy on contaminated land is a better way to reduce carbon footprint of cleanup actions than purchasing offsite renewable energy*



## Basic Definitions



*Summitville Mine*



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Summitville Mine = one of the biggest environmental disasters in Region 8  
1400 gpm treatment plant

## Current Projects

### ➤ Hydro Plant at Summitville Mine



- Will provide clean energy for ongoing treatment of acid mine drainage
- Foundation and Penstock in place – expect to be generating energy early summer 2010.
- Few if any ecological concerns associated with diverting water.

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Enough energy to power 230,000 kilowatt hrs/year (reducing CO2 emissions by 190 metric tonnes/year). It'll operate 6-7 months per year.

CFS diverted (assumption 2 to 3???????)

## Anaconda Smelter Site



Region 8 will then move the met tower to another piece of contaminated property.

Region 8 installed 60m met tower to measure wind speed on county-owned property, and will make data available to potential wind developers.



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Land owned by Anaconda Deer Lodge county sits adjacent to ARCO (main PRP) property. County land is contaminated from airborne smelter emissions, but not to extent that requires cleanup. Wind development county land would assure contamination is not disturbed.

National Renewable Energy Lab believes up to 50 megawatts of wind generation could be constructed at the site. A wind farm of that size would be expected to produce ~ 53,700 megawatt hours/year and reduce CO2 emissions by 53,776 Metric tonnes.

(assuming 902 lbs/MWhr – EPA power profiler for zipcode 59701)



Daily Emissions of Carbon Pollution



## Current Projects

### Gilt Edge Green Power Pilot

- Goals:
- Erect medium sized turbines to power treatment plant
- Use project to attract utility-scale development, and sell energy to grid.



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Additional engineering is funded to develop detailed cost estimates for constructing turbine foundations and power poles necessary to take electricity to WTP. These are the cost elements that represent the highest risk to RE developers as most aren't familiar with Superfund.

NREL believes a commercial wind farm of 40 to 50 Megawatts could be erected at Gilt Edge.

50 MW wind farm would generate ~131,400 megawatt hours/year and reduce CO2 emissions by 112,000 Metric tonnes.

(zipcode 57732 – 1883 lbs CO2/MW hr)

## Impediments to RE on CL

- Remedy Selection Criteria have not been interpreted in a way that gives preference to GR
- No policy imperative for lifecycle analysis, especially with respect to energy costs.
- Lack of incentives for greening cleanups.



- Possible incentive:



- Use federal funding designated for offsite RE purchases (green tags, RECs) to help finance RE systems at our cleanups.
- Region 8 wants to pilot this idea at Gilt Edge.

# Greener Cleanups in Region 9

## NARPM 2009 Reprise

Harold Ball  
R9 Superfund Technical Support  
December 15, 2009

# History



- **Cleanup Clean Air**
  - Cross Program Initiative SFund and Air
- **SERG – Smart Energy Resources Guide**
  - Excellent resource for RPMs
  - <http://www.epa.gov/nrmrl/pubs/600r08049/600r08049.htm>
- **Contract Language – RAC II and ERRS**
- **More information at**
  - <http://www.epa.gov/region09/climatechange/green-sites.html>

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Cleanup Clean Air Initiative. Cross program initiative between Superfund and Air Division to reduce diesel and GHG emissions at cleanup sites.

SERG (Smart Energy Resource Guide) development. Published March 2008. Jennifer Wang, Penny McDaniel, Michael Gill. This has proven to be an excellent resource for RPMs on basic technologies and concepts.

## Contract Language

RAC II – Clean Air: cleaner engines, cleaner fuel and cleaner diesel control technology. Renewable Energy: evaluate renewable energy sources when selecting, constructing, and optimizing remedies.

ERRS – Clean Technologies: use clean technologies and/or fuels on all diesel equipment to the extent practicable and/or feasible.

# Current Activities

- **Regional Philosophy**
  - Management is very supportive
  - Clean diesel is a priority for us
  - RPMs are our main assets
- **Current Highlights**
  - Romic Life Cycle Analysis – Tool Development
    - Goal here is to make better informed decisions
    - Props to Karen Scheuerman and Steve Armann in our Waste Division

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## Regional Philosophy

Very supportive – number 1 priority among regional SFund managers last fall

Clean diesel is a priority for us

RPMs are our strength and the main assets that we bring to the issue

## Romic Life Cycle Analysis

Goal here is to make better informed decisions not to let the analysis drive the decision.

Props to Karen Scheuerman and Steve Armann in our Waste Division who continue to make a contribution to developing a rational decision framework for all of us.

# R9 Greener Cleanups Policy



## Greener Cleanups Policy EPA Region 9

September 14, 2009

### Background

As part of our mission to protect human health and the environment, EPA is committed to using effective and environmentally sustainable strategies to restore contaminated land for beneficial uses. EPA's cleanup programs already promote sustainability by removing health threats from toxins left in the environment by previous unsustainable industrial practices. However, with consideration and planning, additional sustainability benefits often can be achieved when a cleanup action is performed. The Region 9 Greener Cleanups Policy is intended to ensure that sustainability is considered in cleanups by establishing a preference for using strategies, practices and technologies that reduce the environmental footprint of Superfund and RCRA cleanups.

### Policy

While first meeting all statutory and regulatory requirements of Superfund and RCRA, EPA Region 9 will strive to integrate sustainability practices into its cleanup actions. This policy establishes a preference for use of a range of practices, strategies and technologies to support the implementation of greener cleanups.

- Reduce air emissions, including greenhouse gas emissions, by using clean diesel technology and alternative fuels.
- Conserve natural resources and energy through efficient energy use and by using renewable energy technologies.
- Minimize overall virgin material use and waste generation as well as reuse and recycle existing resources.
- Minimize toxics in materials and products.
- Minimize impacts to water quality and water resources by water conservation and efficiency measures.

These sustainability practices will be evaluated in light of the site-specific situation at each cleanup site. Sustainability will be incorporated where determined appropriate into Superfund and RCRA cleanups performed by EPA or under EPA oversight. Not all strategies will be appropriate in every case. Cleanups that do not satisfy threshold requirements for protectiveness, or do not meet other site-specific cleanup objectives, are not considered to be "greener cleanups" under this policy.

Sustainability strategies and technologies should be evaluated at every stage of the cleanup process to achieve the greatest level of benefit. In implementing this policy, project managers are encouraged to consider the application of life cycle analysis tools. These tools can help account for the manufacture, use, and transport of materials, products, equipment and wastes associated with all phases of a cleanup. Region 9 will continue to pursue emerging sustainability technologies and strategies to expand the scope of opportunities at Superfund and RCRA cleanups.



- Focus Areas:
  - Air Emissions
  - Energy Use
  - Material Use
  - Toxic Materials
  - Water Efficiency

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Joint Policy from Superfund and Waste Divisions

Includes a preference for use of a range of practices, strategies and technologies to support the implementation of greener cleanups

We anticipate that these specific practices, strategies and technologies will be updated as emerging practices and technologies are identified.

# Challenges

- How to incorporate GR into our decisions?
- How best to use existing authorities?
- How to develop the case for PRP implementation?
- How do we incorporate into 5YRs?

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How do we incorporate GR into our existing decision framework?

How can we best apply at sites the existing authorities that we have.

PRP Lead Sites. Many R9 sites are PRP lead where our desire to incorporate GR into the remedy does not easily translate into action. We need to develop the case for implementation.

How do we incorporate into 5YRs? Current focus is on Remedy Protectiveness and not so much on optimization.

# Future Goals

- **Move to Implementation**
  - Green Remediation Strategy
  - RE-Power Partnerships (NREL)
  - Site Decisions
- **Cross Program Consistency**
  - Contribute solutions to the problem

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## Move to Implementation

HQ has invested heavily in developing the “Green Remediation Strategy.”

Moving to answer policy questions

Providing funds for pilot projects

We now have to step up to the plate on implementation

RE-Power partnerships – we had 10 proposals from RPMs wanting to take advantage of pilot project opportunities with the NREL IAG. All were viable projects for NREL and it was very tough to make the cut for us.

## Program Consistency:

SFund does not work in a vacuum.

LJ has made a finding that 6 GHG pose a threat to the health and welfare of Americans.

Other EPA programs are working on implementation (Air/Climate Change) and are aggressively moving to address the problem

We in SFund need to step up and be part of the solution.



# Closing Thoughts

- What help do you need?
  - HQ and regional staff are busy
  - Let us know what you need
    - tools, training, technical support
  - Share success stories with others
    - tech transfer works

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What can we do to help you?

HQ has laid out a path forward in the draft Green Remediation Strategy.

HQ pushing to answer policy questions, providing tools and technical support

Regions stepping up to the plate with training and implementation.

Plug: share success stories to leverage your experience.

Call or write us - Let us know if we are doing it right or if there is additional support you need.



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# **Green Remediation**

**Estimating the Environmental Footprint  
at a Corrective Action Clean-up**

**Pilot Study at Romic East Palo Alto**

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*3 June 2009*

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# Green Remediation



## Theory:

Consider all environmental effects of remedy implementation and incorporate options to maximize the net environmental benefit of cleanup actions.



## Implementation:

Installation of “greener” remedies

Development of metrics for estimating environmental footprints



# Overview



- ★ **How we conducted our Pilot Study:  
methodology and results**
- ★ **Applying the results to our clean-up sites**
- ★ **Importance of using Life-Cycle Assessment  
principles**



## Pilot Site: Romic East Palo Alto

- 14-acre hazardous waste management facility
- Soil and ground water contaminated with VOCs (such as TCE and PCE)
- Contamination to a depth of 80 feet



## Purpose of the Pilot Study



### **Compare the environmental footprints of three alternative remedies at Romic**

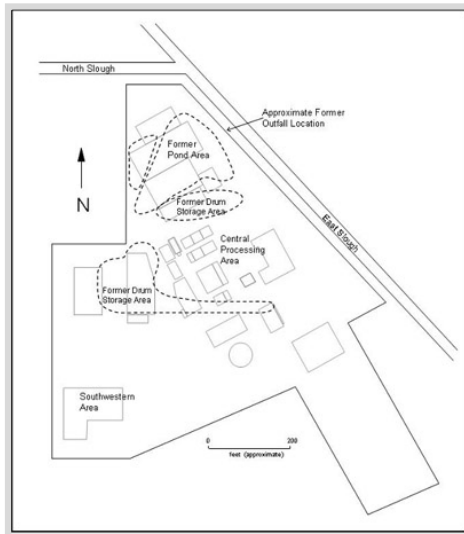
- Is it possible to determine the environmental footprint of the alternative remedies?
- Did we select the “greenest” remedy?
- How important is off-site manufacture for the environmental footprint?



### **Develop a methodology to be used for estimating environmental footprints**



# Remedy Alternatives at Romic



## Alternative 2 (Hybrid)

Extraction wells *and* bioinjection wells

30 years to complete

## Alternative 3 (Bioremediation)

Bioinjection wells only

10 years to complete

## Alternative 4 (Pump and Treat)

Extraction wells only

40 years to complete

*Alternative 3 has already been chosen for Romic, so this analysis did not affect the remedy decision.*

# Remedy Alternatives at Romic

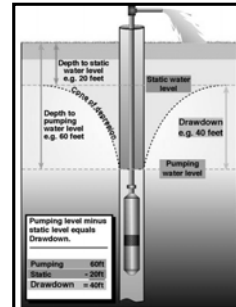


## Bioremediation:

uses injections of cheese whey and molasses mixed with fresh water

## Pump and Treat:

treatment of ground water in an air stripper followed by carbon filters





## Boundaries of the Pilot Study



### Functional Unit:

Ground water remediation.



### Temporal Boundary:

Construction and active life of each alternative remedy.



### System Boundary:

On-Site Activities (Level 1)

Transport To and From Site (Level 2)

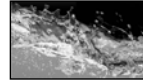
Manufacture Off-Site (Level 3)



# At Romic We Evaluated...

## *Resources and Energy Used*

- Water
- Construction Materials
- Electricity
- Fossil Fuel



## *Wastes Generated*

- Spent Carbon
- Wastewater



## *Air Emissions*

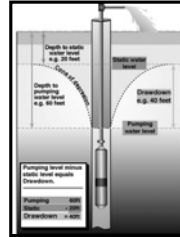
- NO<sub>x</sub>, SO<sub>x</sub>, PM, CO<sub>2</sub>



# Level 1: On-Site Activities



Well Construction



Groundwater  
Extraction



BioInjections



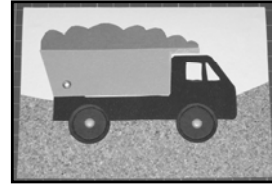
Groundwater  
Treatment



## Level 2: Transport To and From Site



Operators to Site



Wastes off Site



Materials to Site

## Level 3: Off-Site Manufacture



PVC Pipe  
Manufacture



Gravel Mining

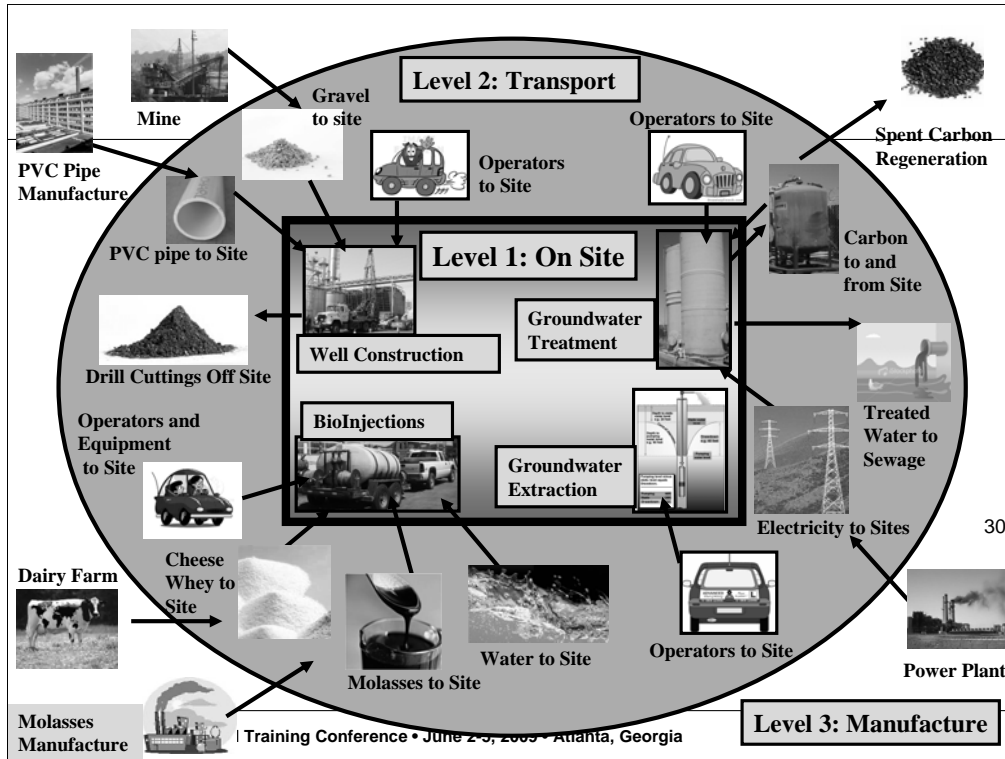


Cheese Whey  
Processing



Electricity  
Production



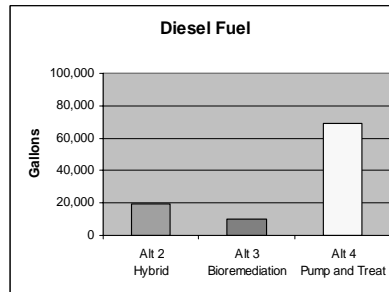
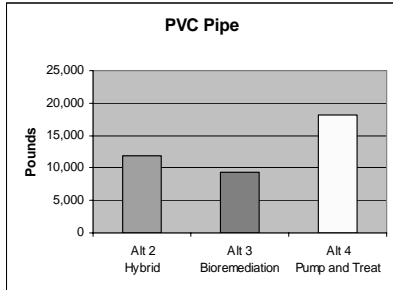




*Pilot study is still in progress and results at this stage are preliminary.*

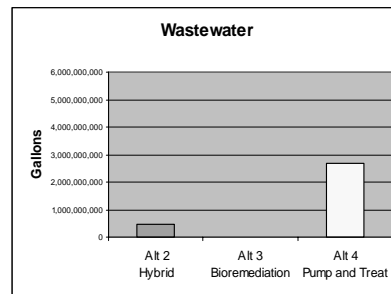
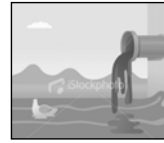
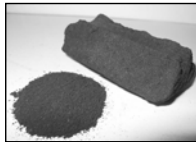
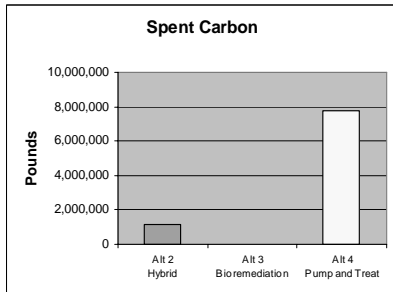
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## Results – Materials and Fuel





# Results – Wastes Generated



## Levels 1, 2, and 3 Combined

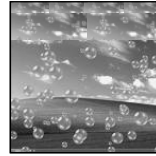
### Adding Level 3 (Off-site Manufacture) to the mix



**water used**



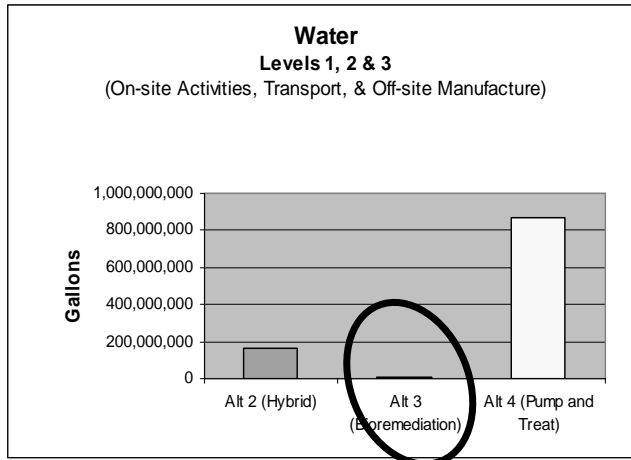
**electricity required**



**carbon dioxide  
emitted**



## Results – Water



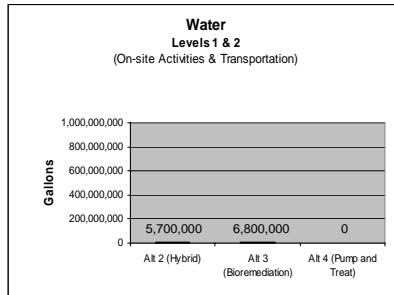
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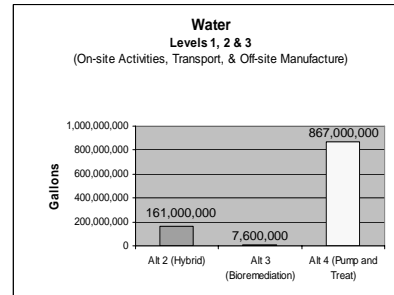
## Results – Water



Including Level 3 (manufacturing) in the analysis substantially increases our estimate of the water footprint.



*Not including off-site manufacturing*



*Including off-site manufacturing*



## Results – Water



### Issues related to water:

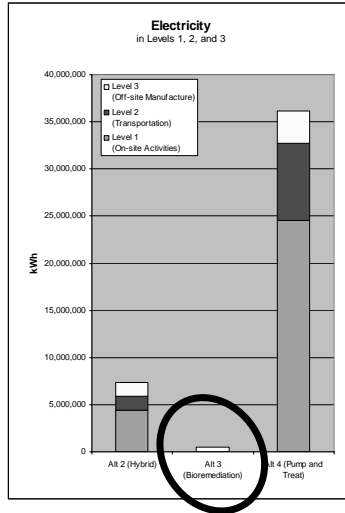
- Water withdrawn *versus* water consumed.
- Water withdrawn in “water scarce” areas *versus* water withdrawn in “water abundant” areas.
- Potable *versus* non-potable water.



**Maybe, not all water is equal... how should we take this into consideration?**



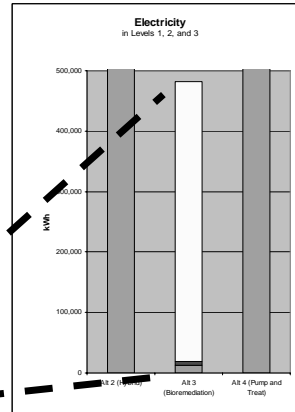
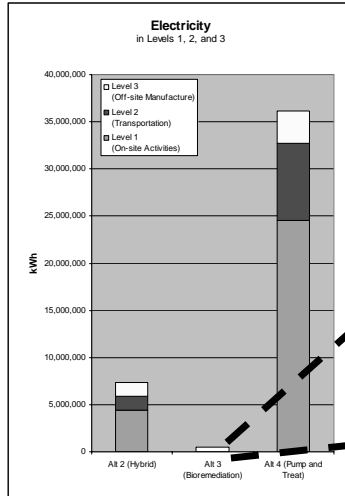
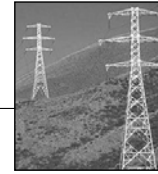
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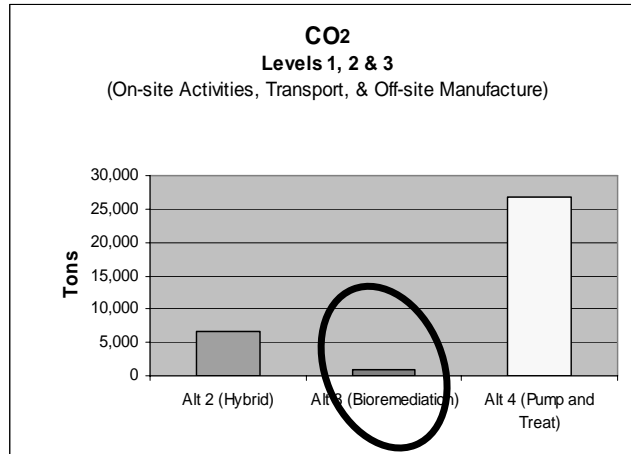
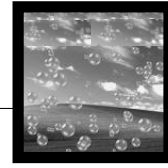


We are used to taking into account on-site electricity in evaluating environmental footprints.

However, electricity required for transport and manufacture are also important.



## Results – CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

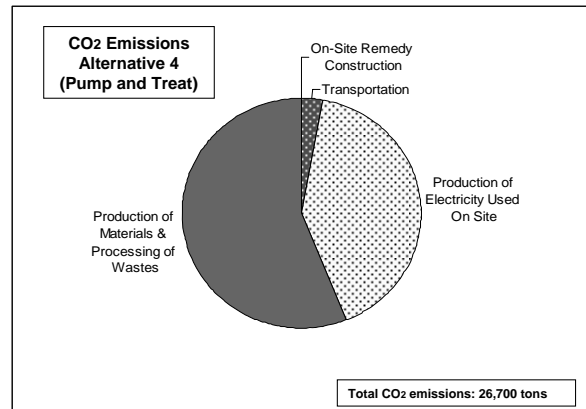
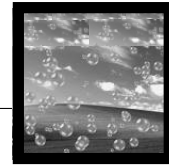


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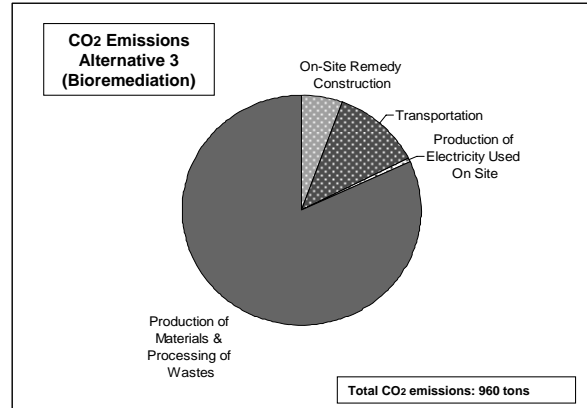
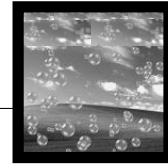
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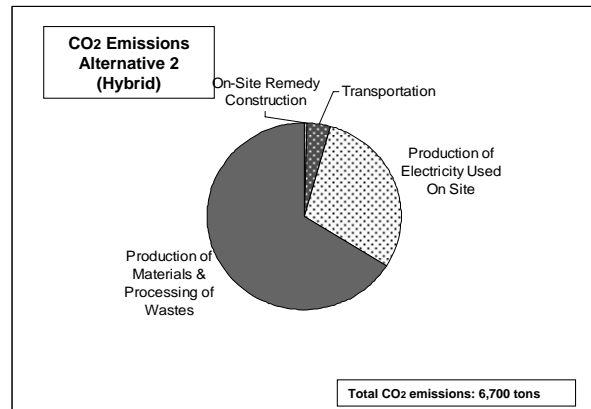
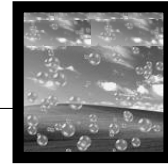
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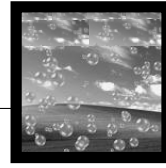
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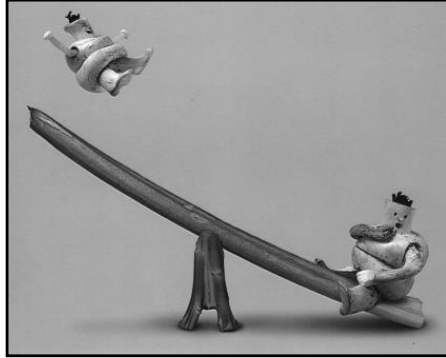
### Issues related to CO<sub>2</sub>:

- Finding CO<sub>2</sub> emissions factors that include resource extraction as well as manufacturing.
- Taking into account likely lower emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> per unit material produced in the future.
- Being careful not to “double count” in reporting electricity requirements and CO<sub>2</sub> footprint of the remedy.



**Identify which materials and activities contribute the greatest to the CO<sub>2</sub> footprint and research them thoroughly.**

## Applying results to our clean-up sites



**We need to balance the various aspects of the environmental footprints.**



# Applying results to our clean-up sites



- **Balance local effects with global effects:**

water resources

greenhouse gas emissions

particulate emissions

- **Balance effects of disparate items:**

natural resource depletion

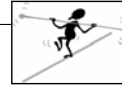
waste generation

environmental contamination

years to complete remedy



# Applying results to our clean-up sites



- ★ **Balancing disparate environmental impacts will be specific from site to site.**
- ★ **Metrics for environmental impacts are not the only factor at a clean-up site, but should be seen as one of several balancing factors.**
- ★ **In all cases the remedy must first meet threshold criteria, such as protection of human health and the environment.**



# Life-Cycle Assessment Principles

## Improving the Pilot Study --

**We performed complete  
(but back-of-the-envelope)  
Level 3 calculations for:**

Water use  
Electricity use  
CO<sub>2</sub> emissions



**We would like to add  
Level 3 calculations for:**

Wastes generated  
Fossil fuels consumed  
Air toxics emitted

*We are working with EPA life-cycle analysis experts in ORD (Cincinnati) and with OSRTI to improve and add to our Level 3 calculations.*



# Life-Cycle Assessment Principles

## Improving the Pilot Study --

### Run calculations for other remedial activities at Romic:

- soil excavation
- groundwater monitoring
- capping contaminated areas



# Life-Cycle Assessment Principles



**Life-Cycle Assessment principles helped us greatly in developing our conceptual approach**

- Quantify on- and off-site environmental impacts
- Distinguish between local and global impacts
- Compare relative impacts of remedial technologies in a more comprehensive way
- Focus our efforts in reducing the environmental impacts of a remedy



# Life-Cycle Assessment Principles



**Develop a methodology based on Life-Cycle Assessment principles for estimating environmental footprints**

- Conduct Pilot Studies at three additional sites
- Streamline the methodology
  - identify aspects of remedies that make the largest contribution to the overall footprints and focus on those
- Establish a library of data inputs
- Designed for regulatory staff and site owners in all clean-up programs



## Key Points

- ★ Yes, it's feasible to estimate the environmental footprint of a clean-up remedy.
- ★ Importance of including off-site manufacturing in estimations of the environmental footprint.
- ★ A streamlined methodology would be helpful for conducting this type of analysis at other sites.



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## **Green Remediation: What's Next**

### **Delfasco Forge Vapor Intrusion**

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## **Delfasco Forge**

- ✦ Delfasco Forge
- ✦ Grand Prairie, TX
- ✦ Vapor Intrusion
- ✦ RCRA Enforcement



## **Delfasco Forge - History**

- ✦ Delfasco, as in Delaware Forge and Steel Company
- ✦ Made practice bombs for DOD
- ✦ Outgrew the facility
- ✦ Auto repair shop now





## **Delfasco Forge**

- ✦ Trichloroethylene used in the process
- ✦ Spills, releases, and poor housekeeping led to contamination of groundwater
- ✦ Residential to the north and east
- ✦ Direction of groundwater, Northeast.



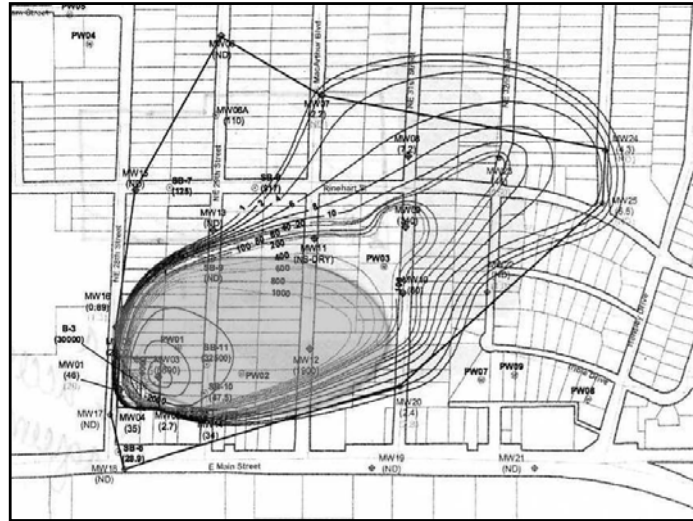
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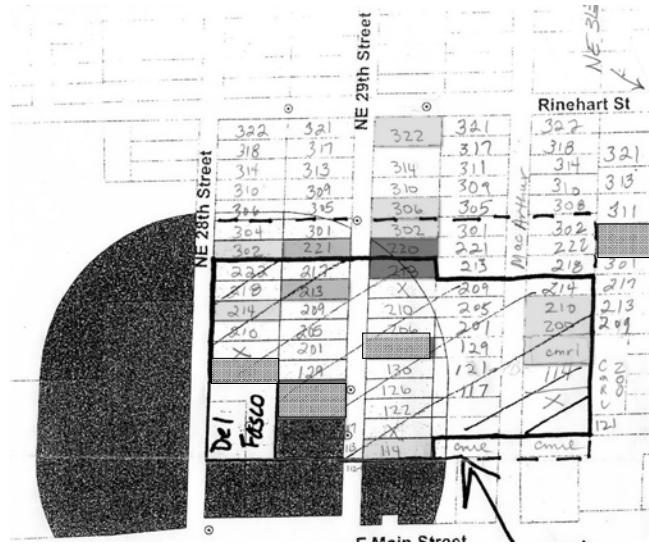
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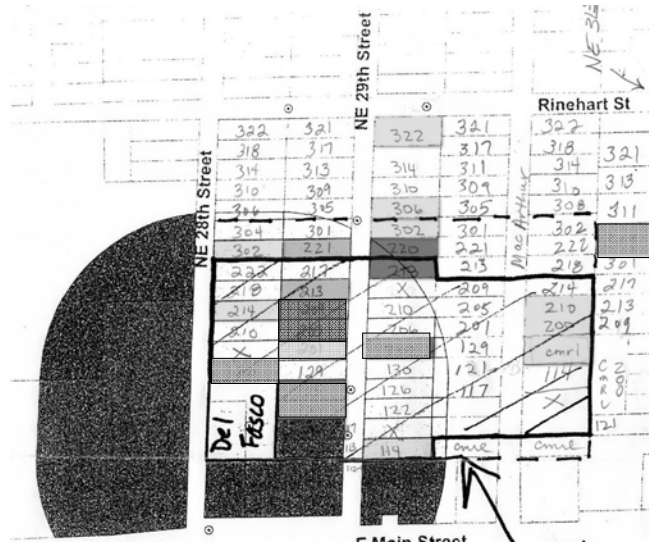
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# RCRA Indoor Air Sampling



# RCRA & TX Indoor Air Sampling



## Passive Soil Gas Sampling

- ✦ Semi-quantitative
- ✦ In-Ground
- ✦ 1-2 weeks
- ✦ \$18/sample
- ✦ Beacon  
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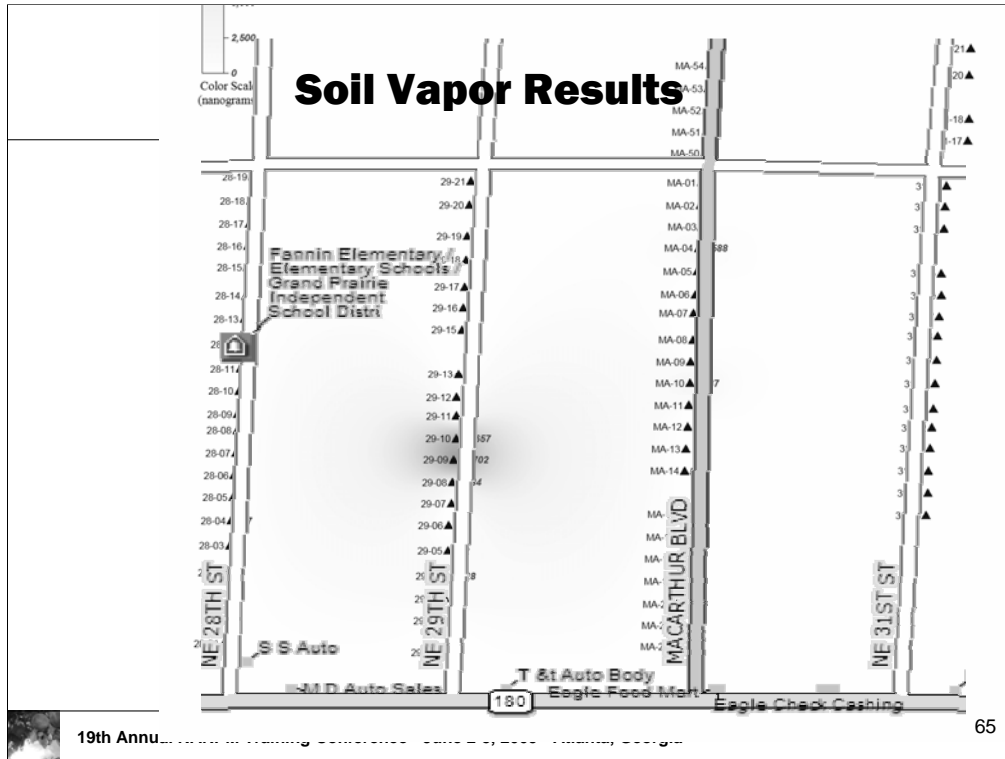


## Passive Sampler Deployment

- ✦ 100 points + dups, TBs, etc
- ✦ 1 day install
- ✦ 1 day retrieve
- ✦ 8 day turn-around







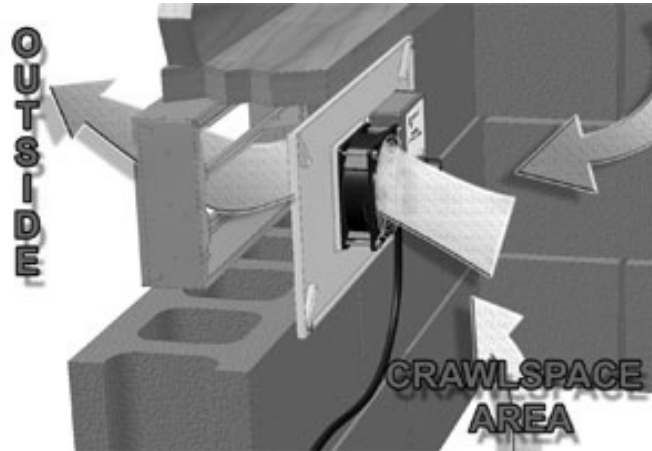
## Passive Sampling on the Site

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## Crawl Space Fan

- ✦ Pier and beam construction
- ✦ Commercially available exhaust fans



## Fan Comparison

- ✦ Radon fan - - 60-90 CFM
- ✦ \$1,500 per unit
  
- ✦ Crawlspace fan - - 200 CFM
- ✦ \$200 per unit



## Electrical Costs

- ✦ Each fan type, running 24/7/365
- ✦ \$3 to \$8 per month



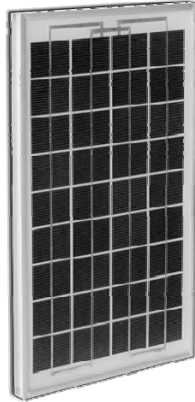
## Impact of Electrical Cost on Budget

- ✦ \$8 per month, \$96 per year
- ✦ Compare to increase price of gasoline
- ✦ Federal Standard is 15,000 miles per year
- ✦ Avg miles per gallon is 21
- ✦ That is 714 gallons per year.
- ✦ The \$96 in additional electricity cost is equivalent to **\$0.134 per gallon**



## Solar Power Exhaust Fan

- ✦ Solar powered
- ✦ Panel: 10"x16"x0.7"  
10 Watt  
Fan: 6" dia.  
2500 RPM  
200 CFM  
55 DB



## Crawl Space Fan Effectiveness

- ✦ Reduced one home an order of magnitude to right at action level
- ✦ Reduced second home two orders of magnitude
- ✦ Battery to be installed for longer operation





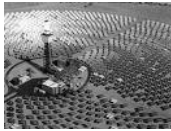
## Solar Fan Installed



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# Evaluating Potential for Renewable Energy on Contaminated Lands and Mining Sites



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## Background

- EPA launched the Siting Renewable Energy on Contaminated Lands and Mining Sites at the 2008 Brownfields Conference.
- EPA has taken a multi-prong approach under this initiative to include:
  - Renewable Energy Mapping on Contaminated Lands & Mine Sites
  - Conducting Outreach Activities
  - Pilot Sites/Project Engagement
  - Tools/Guidance Development



## **Why Develop Renewable Energy Facilities on EPA Tracked Sites?**

- Many EPA tracked lands offer thousands of acres of land
- Situated in areas less likely to be met with aesthetic (NIMBY) opposition
- Have existing electric transmission lines, capacity, roads, and are adequately zoned for such development
- Avoided new infrastructure capital and zoning costs can be significant



## Why Develop Renewable Energy Facilities on EPA Tracked Sites?

- May have lower overall transaction costs compared to greenfields
- Reduce the stress on greenfields land for construction of new energy facilities
- Provide clean, emission-free energy for use on-site, locally, and utility grid



## Why Develop Renewable Energy Facilities on EPA Tracked Sites?

- Over 16 million acres of potentially contaminated properties (approx. 480,000 sites) across the United States are tracked by EPA
  - ~80% (13.6 million acres) are non-urban
  - ~20% (3.2 million acres) are abandoned mine land
- Cleanup goals have been achieved and controls put in place to ensure long-term protection for more than 850,000 acres
- Reintroduce local job opportunities for development, operation and maintenance of, and equipment manufacture for renewable energy facilities

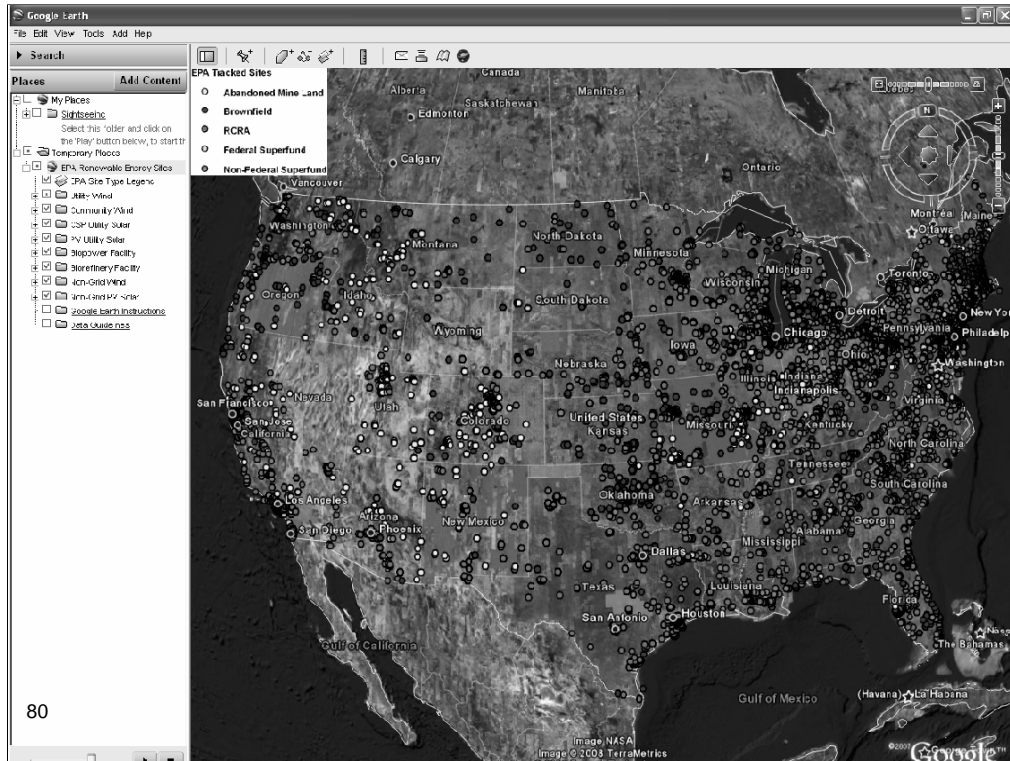


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## Google Earth Mapping Tool

- Successful EPA-NREL joint venture produced an interactive Google Earth mapping application
- Shows opportunities to site renewable energy on contaminated lands and mining sites in each state
- Produced incentive sheets describing renewable energy development and contaminated lands redevelopment incentives in each state







The image shows a map of a mountainous region with a popup window for the Summitville Mine. The popup contains detailed information about the site, including its location, acreage, and various renewable energy potential assessments. A legend in the top left corner identifies different types of EPA tracked sites. The map background is a grayscale aerial view, and the popup is a white box with a close button in the top right corner.

**EPA Tracked Sites**

- Abandoned Mine Land
- Brownfield
- RCRA
- Federal Superfund
- Non-Federal Superfund

**SUMMITVILLE MINE**

City: RIO GRANDE COUNTY  
State: CO  
Mapped Acreage: 1,230.0  
EPA Program: Abandoned Mine Land  
EPA Region: 8  
EPA ID: COD963778432  
Current Environmental Status of Site: [EPA Cleanup Program information](#)

**Renewable Energy Potential:** Community Wind; Non-Grid Wind; Non-Grid PV Solar  
Wind Power Class: 4  
Wind Power Density ( $\text{W/m}^2$ ), at 50 Meters: 400-500  
Wind Resource Potential: Good  
Utility Solar Power Resource ( $\text{kWh/m}^2/\text{day}$ ): 6.74  
Utility Solar Potential: Excellent  
Non-Grid Connected Photovoltaic Solar Resource ( $\text{kWh/m}^2/\text{day}$ ): 5.78  
Non-Grid Connected Photovoltaic Solar Potential: Very Good  
Resources for Biopower (metric tons/year): 358,215  
Biopower Resource Potential: Excellent  
Resources for Biorefinery (metric tons/year): 356,286  
Biorefinery Resource Potential: Excellent  
Site-Specific Renewable Energy Data: [Renewable Energy Excel spreadsheet](#)  
Data and Methodology Description: [Data Guidelines document](#)

**Additional Information:** [US and state maps and incentive fact sheets](#)  
**Contact:** [cleanenergy@epa.gov](mailto:cleanenergy@epa.gov)  
**Disclaimer:** This map and its associated data are intended to provide a general understanding of the renewable energy potential of EPA tracked sites. They will be updated periodically. Additional site specific analysis is required to determine the actual renewable energy potential of EPA tracked sites. See the Data Guidelines document for specific information on methodology and data considerations.

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EPA Renewable Energy Sites

EPA Site Type Legend

Utility Wind

Community Wind

CSP Utility Solar

PV Utility Solar

Biopower Facility

Biorefinery Facility

Non-Grid Solar

Non-Grid PV Solar

Google Earth Instructions

Data Guidelines

EPA Tracked Sites

Abandoned Mine Land

Brownfield

RCRA

Federal Superfund

Non-Federal Superfund

ANACONDA MINERALS CO. GREAT FALLS REF

City: BLACK EAGLE

State: MT

Mapset: Acreage: Unknown

EPA Program: Abandoned Mine Land

EPA Region: 9

EPA ID: MT083231596

Current Environmental Status of Site: [EPA Cleanup Program Information](#)

Renewable Energy Potential: Non-Grid Wind, Non-Grid PV Solar

Wind Power Density (WPD) at 50 Meters: 600-800

Wind Resource Potential: Outstanding

Utility Solar Power Resource (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/day): 7.63

Utility Solar Potential: Good

Non-Grid Connected Photovoltaic Solar Resource (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/day): 4.74

Non-Grid Connected Photovoltaic Solar Potential: Good

Resources for Biopower (metric tons/year): 576,404

Biopower Resource Potential: Outstanding

Resources for Biorefinery (metric tons/year): 514,836

Biorefinery Resource Potential: Outstanding

Site Specific Renewable Energy Data: [Renewable Energy Excel spreadsheet](#)

Data and Methodology Description: [Data Guidelines document](#)

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Directions: [To here](#) [From here](#)

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# Incentives

- State Incentives
  - Grants and Loans
  - Tax abatements, deductions, credits
  - Net metering
  - Other incentives: equipment loan programs for wind production
- Federal incentives
  - Production tax credit for renewable energy: \$0.95/kWh to \$1.95/kWh for sales of electricity for the first 10 years of operation
  - Federal grants and loans
- Database of State Incentives for REs and EE
  - [www.dsireusa.org](http://www.dsireusa.org)

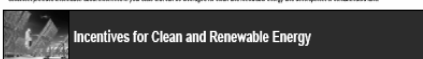




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## State Incentives for Achieving Clean and Renewable Energy Development on Contaminated Lands

The development of clean and renewable energy on formerly used land offers many economic and environmental benefits. Combining clean and renewable energy and contaminated land cleanup initiatives can allow investors and communities to create economically viable clean and renewable energy redevelopment projects. This document provides information about incentives in your state that can be leveraged for clean and renewable energy and development of contaminated land.



### Incentives for Clean and Renewable Energy

#### Tax Incentives (abatement, deductions, credits, etc.)

##### Renewable Energy Production Corporate Tax Credits

[www.enr.state.nm.us/efc/](http://www.enr.state.nm.us/efc/)

Provides a tax credit against the corporate income tax of one cent per kWh for companies that generate electricity from wind or biomass. Companies that generate electricity from solar energy receive a tax incentive that varies annually.

##### Solar Thermal Electric Tax Credits

[www.enr.state.nm.us/efc/](http://www.enr.state.nm.us/efc/)

Offers a 6% credit against gross receipts, compensation, or withholding taxes for the development and construction costs of solar thermal electric plants and associated energy storage devices.

##### Biomass Equipment & Materials Deduction

[www.enr.state.nm.us/efc/](http://www.enr.state.nm.us/efc/)

Allows businesses to deduct 100% of the value of biomass equipment and biomass materials used for the processing of biomass, whether, or biomass products in determining the amount of Compensation Tax due.

#### Technical Assistance and Other Incentives

##### Customer Solar PV Program

[www.pvnm.com/](http://www.pvnm.com/)

Offers a Renewable Energy Credit (REC) purchase program. The public utility will purchase RECs from customers who install solar photovoltaic systems up to 10 kW in capacity at a rate of \$0.12/kWh through 2018.

##### Net Metering

[www.enr.state.nm.us/efc/](http://www.enr.state.nm.us/efc/)

Offers availability of net metering to systems up to 60 MW in capacity.

#### Quick Facts

Public Benefit Fund (PBF)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Renewable Portfolio Standard	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Investor-owned utilities: 20% by 2010	
Rancher/tribe cooperative: 10% by 2020	
Net Metering	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Interconnection Standards	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Electric Power Industry Generation by Primary Energy Source (EIA, 2008)	
Petroleum-Fired	0.1% Nuclear -
Natural Gas-Fired	15.8% Hydroelectric 0.5%
Coal-Fired	80.1% Other Renewables 3.4%

#### Points of Contact

New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department  
[www.enr.state.nm.us/](http://www.enr.state.nm.us/)  
Renewable Energy Production Corporate Tax Credits  
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Biomass Equipment & Materials Deduction  
Tax Information Office, [pofo@enr.state.nm.us](mailto:pofo@enr.state.nm.us), (505) 827-0700  
Customer Solar PV Program  
PVNM Customer Service Program, (505) 241-2548

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### Incentives for Development of Contaminated Land

#### Funding (grants, loans, bonds, etc.)

##### Clean Water State Revolving Fund

[www.enr.state.nm.us/cwrf/](http://www.enr.state.nm.us/cwrf/)

Offers low interest (2% base interest rate) loans with a repayment schedule up to 20 years to municipally-owned brownfields. The fund can be used to fund non-point source projects, including brownfields redevelopment projects.

##### Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund (RLF)

[www.enr.state.nm.us/cwrf/Brownfields\\_Cleanup\\_Revolving\\_Loan\\_Fund\\_RLF.html](http://www.enr.state.nm.us/cwrf/Brownfields_Cleanup_Revolving_Loan_Fund_RLF.html)

Offers low interest loans to developers and municipalities for site cleanup activities where there is planned redevelopment, through a federally funded program.

#### Technical Assistance and Other Incentives

##### Targeted Brownfields Assessment (TBA) Program

[www.enr.state.nm.us/cwrf/Brownfields\\_Assessment\\_TBA.html](http://www.enr.state.nm.us/cwrf/Brownfields_Assessment_TBA.html)

Provides free targeted brownfields assessment (TBA) services at brownfields properties. TBA funds can only be used for site screenings, full assessments (usually for ASTM Phase I environmental site assessment) activities, Phase I environmental site assessment, and remediation planning costs.

#### Limitations on Liability

##### Voluntary Response Program

[www.enr.state.nm.us/](http://www.enr.state.nm.us/)

The program issues a Certificate of Completion (COC) for a property, and provides a Government Not To Sue (GNTS) to a purchaser or prospective purchaser of the property that did not contribute to the contamination.

#### Quick Facts

Limitations of Liability	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Number of State-Tracked Contaminated Properties:	62
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Number of EPA CERCLIS Sites:	173
Sites identified for potential investigation under the Federal Superfund Program:	
Number of EPA Brownfields Properties:	4
Properties being listed or withdrawn under the EPA Brownfields Program:	
There may be some overlap among the categories listed and sites listed may not represent all potentially contaminated sites in New Mexico.	

#### Points of Contact

New Mexico Environment Department  
Clean Water State Revolving Fund  
Jennifer Pardo, [jennifer.pardo@enr.state.nm.us](mailto:jennifer.pardo@enr.state.nm.us), (505) 827-2807  
Voluntary Response Program  
Brownfields Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund, TBA Program  
VRP Program Manager, (505) 827-2754

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## Outreach Efforts

- OSWER engaged in outreach to stakeholders at a variety of venues with Renewable Energy booth and presentations, and stimulated significant interest. Some of these include:
  - Wind and Solar Conferences
  - Summit of Mining Communities
  - Brownfields Conference
  - Mine Expo 08
- OSWER started discussions with ASTSWMO subcommittee on this initiative
- OSWER and Region 9 have discussed this effort with BLM HQ and Arizona
- OSWER conducting series of stakeholder dialogues (Detroit, New Orleans, Los Angeles, Atlanta).



## Pilot Sites/Projects

Site Name and Location	Renewable Energy Aspects	Status	Issues/Opportunities
<u>Abandoned/Superfund Sites</u> Summitville, CO	Hydroelectric to power water treatment plant	Phase I construction underway	Project potentially transferable to other sites
Holmes Road Landfill, TX	Solar Power	Contractor Support in-place for Feasibility Study	RFP for Developers
Anaconda, MT	Wind Power with possibility for geothermal	Phase I completed	Developer propose 50 MW Wind Project
<u>Active Site:</u> Chino Mine, NM	Concentrated Solar Power	Met with New Mexico and Freeport-McMoran Freeport to submit proposal	Multiple Agencies Technical Study Need Proposal from Freeport
MolyCorp Mine, NM	Solar Power	Chevron interest in solar project	Chevron conducted Phase I screening



## Tools to Encourage Reuse of Impaired Land

- Comfort/Status letters provide information about the site and can clarify liability issues for prospective purchasers and site owners.
- An Ready for Reuse Determination is an environmental status report written in clear language that is designed to provide important information about a site so it can be used without compromising protection for people and the environment.  
<http://www.epa.gov/superfund/programs/recycle/pdf/rfrguidance.pdf>
- A site reuse profile, which is used in some regions, highlights a site's background, environmental history, and reuse status.
- At NPL sites, EPA may carve out portions of sites – Partial Deletions to allow certain land uses.
- EPA's *Revitalization Handbook*:  
<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/publications/cleanup/brownfields/handbook/bfbbkcmp-08.pdf>
- EPA *Fact Sheet on CERCLA, Brownfields, and Lender Liability*:  
[http://www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/aai/lenders\\_factsheet.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/aai/lenders_factsheet.pdf)
- EPA's *Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act*:  
<http://www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/sblbra.htm>

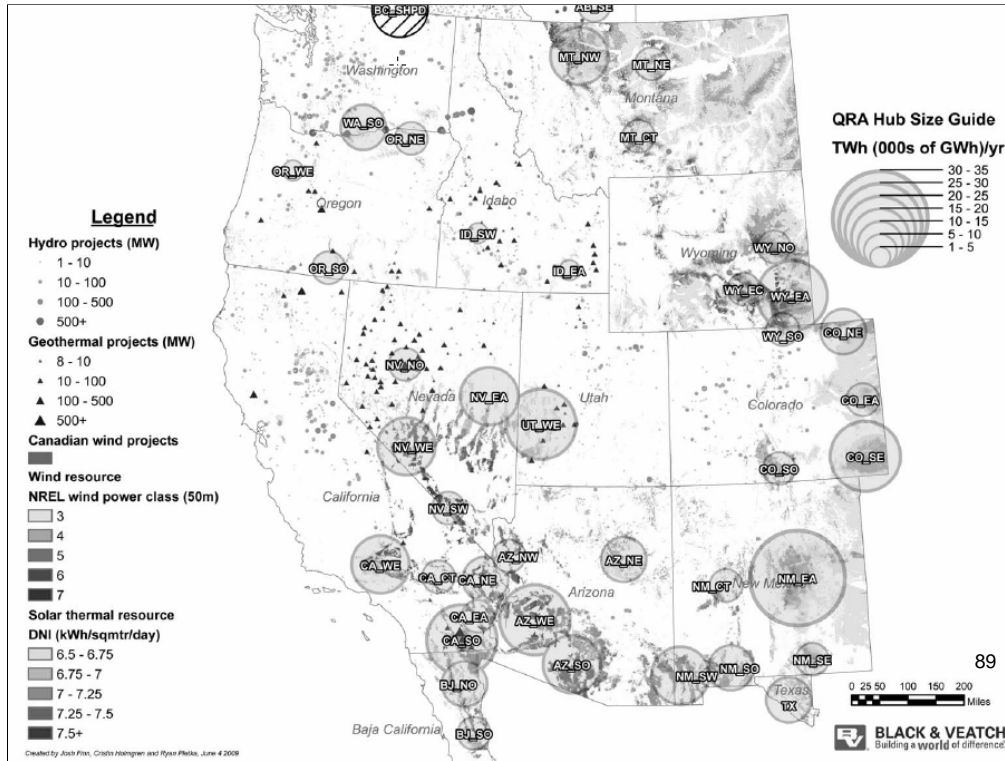


## Potential Collaboration/Next Steps

- Multiple efforts ongoing at Federal and State levels to encourage RE Projects
- Some of these efforts include:
  - WGA and DOE – Western Renewable Energy Zones (WREZ)
  - BLM Solar Zones
  - Colorado Resource Generation Development Areas (GDA)
  - California Competitive Renewable Energy Zones (CA CREZ)
- EPA overlay Repower maps on the 4 efforts listed above.
- EPA has shared site information with BLM HQs and BLM Arizona



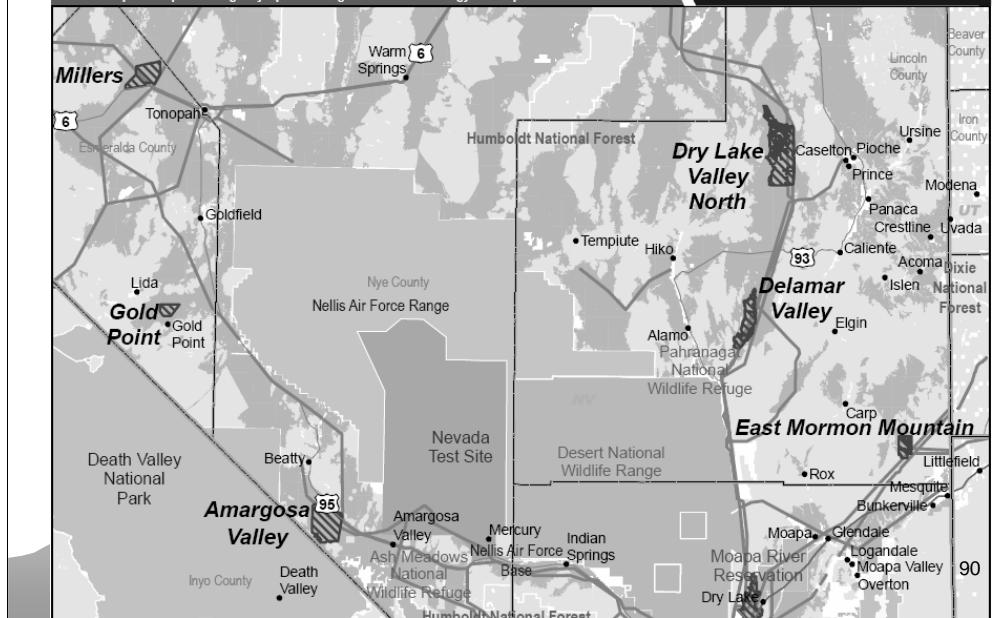




# Solar Energy Study Areas in Nevada

Map Prepared June 5, 2009

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to Develop and Implement Agency-Specific Programs for Solar Energy Development



## Summary of EPA-tracked Sites Located in REZs

Table 1: Summary of EPA-tracked Sites Located in REZs

Site Type	Number of Sites	Percentage of Total
RCRA	34	35%
Landfills	29	30%
AML	17	18%
Brownfields	13	13%
Non-Federal Superfund	4	4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100%</b>

# Renewable Energy Zone Areas with EPA Tracked Sites Sites Identified by EPA Program

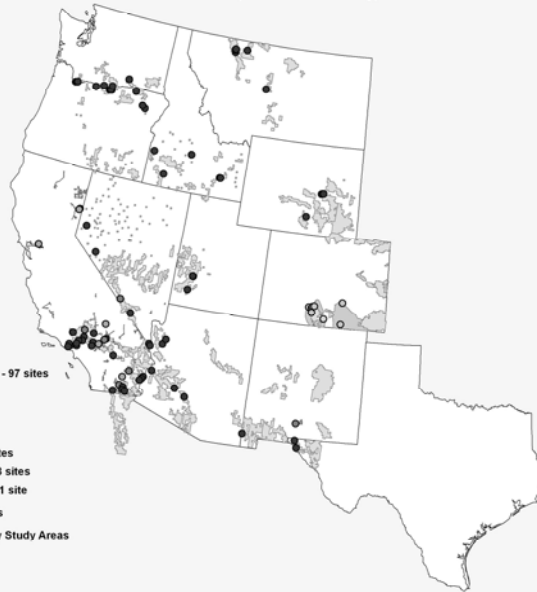
- Program - 97 sites
- Abandoned Mine Land - 17 sites
  - Brownfield - 13 sites
  - ⊙ RCRA - 34 sites
  - ⊙ Non-Federal Superfund - 4 sites
  - Landfill - 29 sites
- WREZ Boundaries  
 BLM Solar Energy Study Areas  
 CO GDA  
 CA CREZ

# Renewable Energy Zone Areas with EPA Tracked Sites Sites Identified by Renewable Energy Zone

Renewable Energy Zone - 97 sites

- CA REZ - 6 sites
- CO GDA - 8 sites
- WREZ - 76 sites
- WREZ, BLM - 3 sites
- WREZ, CA REZ - 3 sites
- WREZ, CO GDA - 1 site

- WREZ Boundaries
- BLM Solar Energy Study Areas
- CO GDA
- CA CREZ



## Next Steps!

- Encourage additional collaboration on siting RE projects with Federal Land Management Agencies at mixed ownership sites.
- Collaboration with other key Federal Agencies (DoE, DoD, Department of Commerce, IRS)
- Collaboration with State Organizations (e.g., ASTSWMO)



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