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Site ST14
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Dear Chris:

Enclosed are six copies of the subject draft report. Please review and send us any comments you may have so we may prepare the final by April 23, 1993.

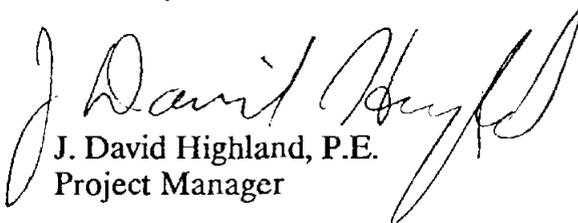
There are two issues you need to be aware of related to this work plan. First, as we discussed on the telephone today, visits to the site both 6 months and 1 year after completion of the pilot testing were anticipated in our original proposal. However, the work order for this work expires on August 31, 1993. The purpose of these two site visits is to conduct final respiration tests. These tests are not essential but can provide information on the long term operation effectiveness of the bioventing system. While the draft work plan is undergoing review, you may wish to look into what is needed to revise the work order and/or contract to allow us to complete this work. We can then include these activities in the final work plan.

The second issue involves the final disposition of wastes generated during our testing and investigation. These wastes are typically drilling cuttings, decontamination fluids, and disposable personal protective equipment. Since these wastes are generated during activities at the base, the base is the generator and is ultimately responsible for arranging proper disposal. ES will properly containerize and identify these wastes and can assist the base in identifying disposal options and completing manifests, if needed. However, ES cannot conduct or arrange for transport and/or disposal, and cannot sign any manifests which may be required. I believe you should be aware of these issues now so that appropriate preparations can be made by the Air Force to handle these wastes when the time comes.

Chris Hobbins
April 12, 1993
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We look forward to your comments on the draft work plan. Please feel free to call me (or Doug Downey at 303-831-8100) if you have any questions regarding the work plan or the issues discussed above.

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1 **DRAFT BIOVENTING TEST WORK PLAN**
2 **FOR PETROLEUM, OIL, AND**
3 **LUBRICANT TANK FARM – SITE ST14**
4 **CARSWELL AFB, TEXAS**

5 **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

6 This work plan presents the scope of an *in situ* bioventing pilot test for treat-
7 ment of fuel-contaminated soils and a subsurface soils investigation at the
8 petroleum, oil, and lubricant (POL) tank farm (site ST14) at Carswell Air Force
9 Base (AFB), Texas. The pilot test has three primary objectives: 1) to assess the
10 potential for supplying oxygen throughout the contaminated soil interval; 2) to
11 determine the rate at which indigenous microorganisms will degrade fuel when
12 stimulated by oxygen-rich soil gas; and 3) to evaluate the potential for sustaining
13 these rates of biodegradation until fuel contamination is remediated to concentra-
14 tions below regulatory limits. The objective of the subsurface soils investigation is
15 to delineate the extent of contamination at the site.

16 The pilot test will be conducted in two phases. Vent wells (VWs) and monitor-
17 ing points (MPs) will be installed during site investigation activities. The initial
18 stage will also include an *in situ* respiration test and an air permeability test. This
19 initial testing is expected to take approximately 2 weeks. If successful, ES will
20 proceed directly into the second phase of testing. During the second phase, a
21 bioventing system will be installed and monitored over a 1-year period.

22 If bioventing proves to be feasible, pilot test data could be used to design a full-
23 scale remediation system and to estimate the time required for site cleanup. The

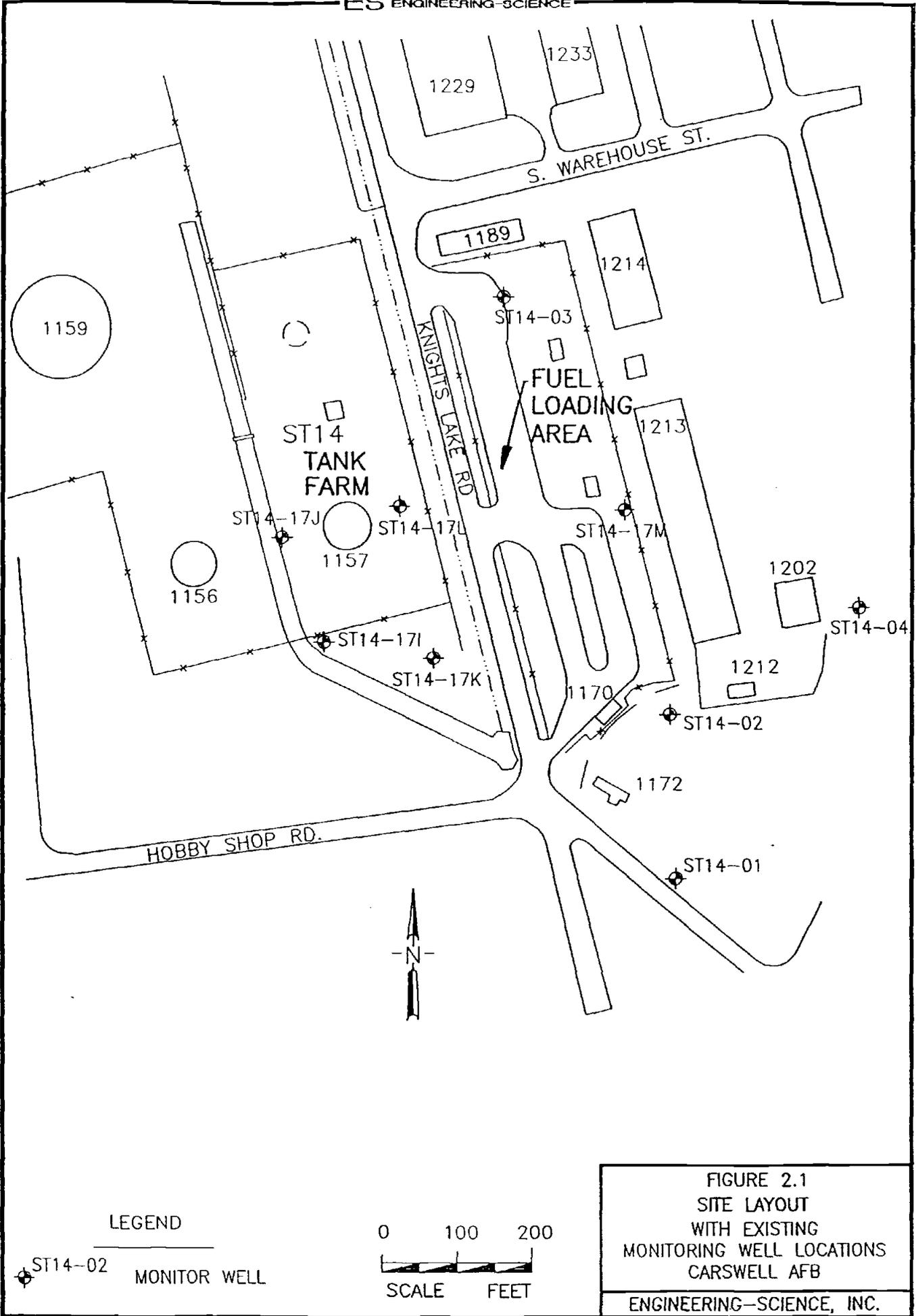
24 soils investigation will provide additional data on subsurface contamination to guide
25 design of the full-scale bioventing system at this site. An added benefit of the pilot
26 testing at the POL tank farm is that a significant amount of the fuel contamination
27 should biodegrade during the 1-year pilot test, as the testing will take place within
28 known contaminated soils at the site.

29 Additional background information on the development and recent success of
30 the bioventing technology is found in the *Test Plan and Technical Protocol for a Field*
31 *Treatability Test for Bioventing* (Hinchee et al., 1992). This protocol document will
32 also serve as the primary reference for pilot test well designs and detailed proce-
33 dures which will be used during the test.

34 **2.0 SITE DESCRIPTION**

35 **2.1 Site Location and History**

36 The POL tank farm, also referred to as site ST14, is located in the eastern
37 portion of the base, near the Carswell AFB main gate. The tank farm portion of the
38 site consists of two aboveground fuel storage tanks. The site also includes the fuel
39 loading facility located on the east side of Knights Lake Road, across the street from
40 the tank farm. Figure 2.1 shows the locations of existing tanks, general site features,
41 and monitoring wells within and adjacent to the areas identified with fuel contami-
42 nation. Soil gas survey results indicate probable subsurface soils contamination in
43 the vicinity of the aboveground tanks and near the monitoring well, ST14-17M
44 (Radian, 1991a). Free-floating product was encountered in this monitoring well
45 during a 1990 Investigation Restoration Program (IRP) investigation event. It is
46 suspected that subsurface soils in the fuel loading facility were contaminated
47 through leaking underground pipes. A French drain system was reportedly installed



50 downgradient of the site to collect and discharge oily wastes through an oil-water
51 separator located at the base.

52 2.2 Site Geology

53 According to information obtained during installation of the nine monitoring
54 wells and drilling of eight soil borings in and around the site vicinity, the upper zone
55 in the POL tank farm area consists of approximately 10 feet of gray to tan clay
56 (Radian, 1991a). The clay was reported to contain pebbles and freshwater gastro-
57 pod shells. This upper zone is underlain by another 5 to 10 feet of fine-grained
58 greyish-green or tan sand and gravel, increasing in gravel content with depth. The
59 gravel ranges from pea size to over an inch in diameter. Beneath this sand and
60 gravel layer lies the underlying bedrock surface of the Goodland Limestone Forma-
61 tion. The depth to the Goodland limestone beneath the site ranges from 16 to 20
62 feet below ground level (BGL) (Radian, 1991a).

63 A water-level survey performed on wells in June 1990 at the site indicated the
64 depth to water varied from approximately 8 to 16 feet BGL (Radian, 1991a). This
65 suggests that the top of the water table corresponds fairly closely to the top of the
66 sand and gravel layer. In monitoring well ST14-17M, located near the proposed
67 vent well, groundwater was encountered at approximately 10 feet BGL.

68 2.3 Site Contaminants

69 The primary contaminants at this site are believed to be petroleum hydrocar-
70 bons, which have been detected in groundwater samples collected at site ST14
71 (Radian, 1991b). These petroleum components are benzene, ethyl benzene,
72 chlorobenzene, toluene, and xylenes. Of these, ethyl benzene was the most
73 common, having been detected in six of the nine monitoring wells at the site.
74 Benzene was the only volatile organic compound detected at a concentration
75 exceeding its maximum contaminant level (MCL). Analytical results reveal the

76 highest benzene concentrations in the groundwater sample collected from
77 monitoring well ST14-17M in the fuel loading facility. More than 2 feet of free-
78 phase hydrocarbon was also encountered floating on top of the water in this
79 monitoring well during the 1990 sampling event. The highest levels of
80 chlorobenzene, toluene, and total xylenes were also detected in the sample collected
81 from this well.

82 The results of a soil gas survey conducted in December 1987 at the site also
83 indicated the probable presence of hydrocarbon-contaminated subsurface soils in
84 two separate areas beneath the site (Radian, 1991a). The largest vapor plume was
85 reported underlying the vicinity of tanks 1156 and 1157 and encompassing an area
86 approximately 100 feet wide and 300 feet long. A smaller plume was encountered in
87 the fuel loading facility area located near monitoring well ST14-17M, which exhib-
88 ited free-floating product during the 1990 groundwater sampling activities.

89 The results of any soil sampling activities which may have taken place are not
90 available. As discussed in section 5.0, soil sampling is planned to fill in this data
91 gap.

92 3.0 PILOT TEST ACTIVITIES

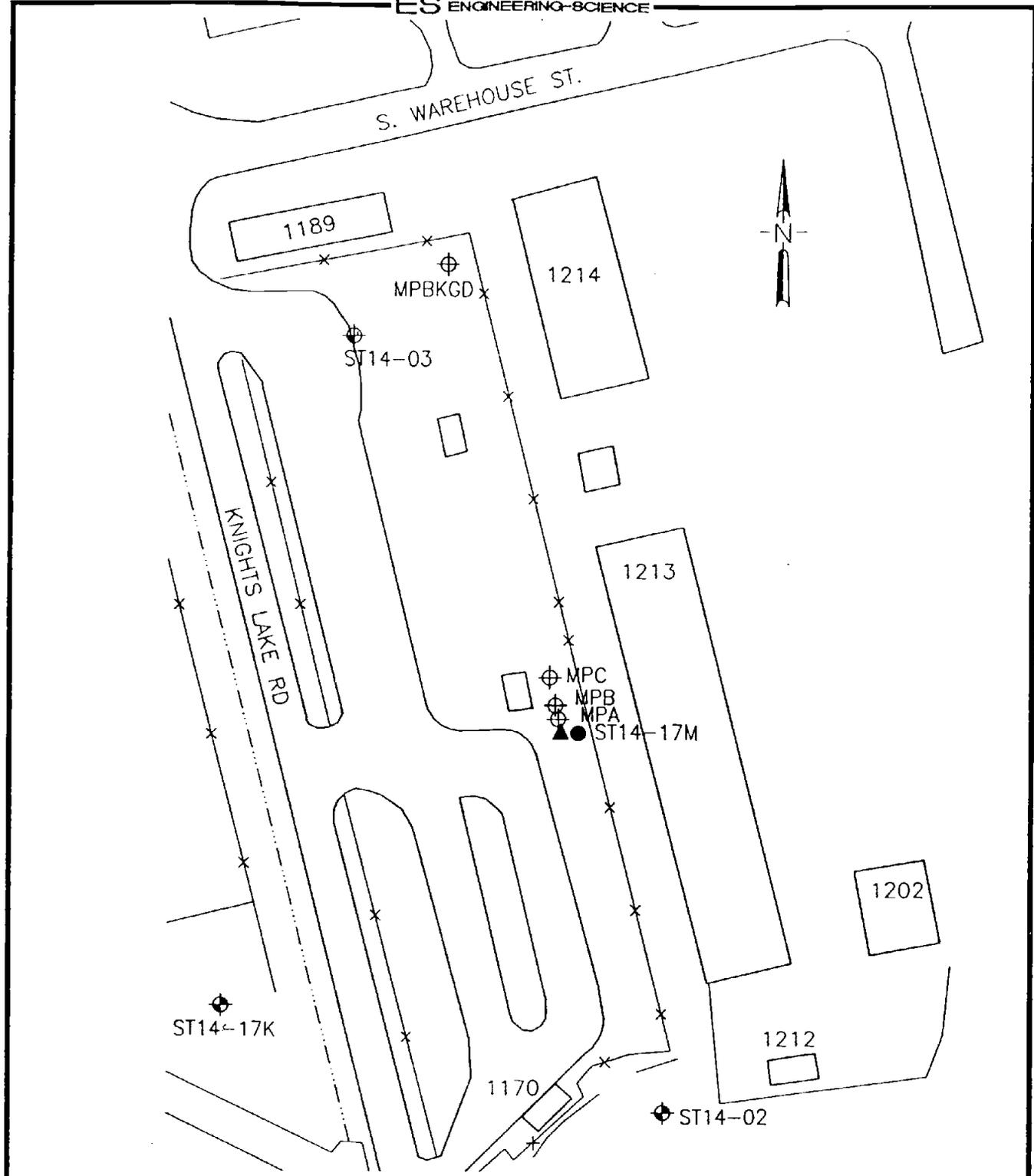
93 The purpose of this section is to describe the work that will be performed by
94 Engineering-Science, Inc. (ES), at site ST14 (POL tank farm) during the bioventing
95 pilot test. ES will performed siting and construction of a central air injection VW
96 and three vapor MPs; an *in situ* respiration test; an air permeability test; and
97 installation of a long-term bioventing pilot test system. Soil borings will also be
98 drilled to more fully characterize and delineate the soil contamination of the vadose
99 zone in the vicinity of the POL tank farm. If significant fuel contamination is
100 encountered during soil boring activities, then additional VWs may be constructed

101 in the contaminated borehole for potential use in full-scale remediation, depending
102 on pilot test results. Pilot test activities performed on any additional wells will be
103 limited to field screening of soil gas samples. Soil and gas sampling procedures and
104 the blower configuration that will be used to inject air (oxygen) into contaminated
105 soils through the central VW are also discussed in this section. The soil sampling
106 plan for the vadose zone contamination investigation is described in section 5. No
107 dewatering will take place during the pilot test. Pilot test activities will be confined
108 to unsaturated soils remediation. Existing monitoring wells will not be used as
109 primary air injection wells. However, monitoring wells which have a portion of their
110 screened interval above the water table may be used as vapor MPs or to measure
111 the composition of background soil gas.

112 3.1 Site Layout

113 Criteria for siting a central VW and vapor MPs are described in the protocol
114 document (Hinchee et al., 1992). Figure 3.1 illustrates the proposed locations of the
115 central VW and the MPs at this site. The final locations may vary slightly from the
116 proposed locations if significant fuel contamination is not observed in the boring for
117 the VW. Based on existing site investigation data, the central VW should be located
118 near, and west of, monitoring well ST14-17M. Soils in this area are expected to be
119 oxygen depleted (<2 percent) by high hydrocarbon levels, and increased biological
120 activity should be stimulated by oxygen-rich soil gas ventilation during pilot test
121 operations.

122 Given the relatively shallow depth of contamination at this site and the experi-
123 ence that ES has had with similar soil types, the potential radius of venting influence
124 around the central air injection well is expected to be 35 to 40 feet. Three vapor
125 MPs (referred to as MPA, MPB, and MPC) will be located within a 40-foot radial
126 distance of the central VW. The spacing of the monitoring points in relation to the



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- ▲ PROPOSED CENTRAL VENT WELL (AIR INJECTION)
- ST14-17M EXISTING MONITORING WELLS
- ⊕ MPC PROPOSED VAPOR MONITORING POINT
- x—x— FENCE
- 1213 BUILDING

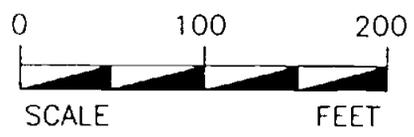


FIGURE 3.1
 PROPOSED VENT WELL \ VAPOR MONITORING POINT LOCATIONS
 CARSWELL AFB, SITE ST14
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129 vent well is shown on Figure 3.2. A fourth MP will be located away from the site in
130 clean soils and will be used to measure background levels of oxygen and carbon
131 dioxide and to determine if natural carbon sources are contributing to oxygen
132 uptake during the *in situ* respiration test. This background MP is tentatively located
133 on Figure 3.2. However, ES will request the assistance of base personnel in
134 identifying an uncontaminated area for background sampling.

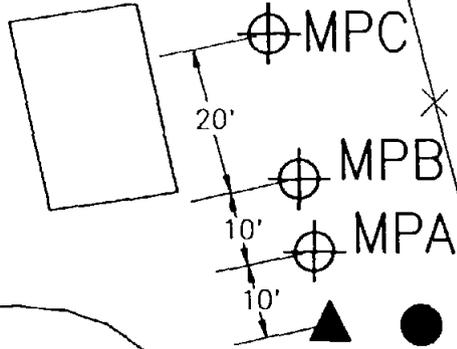
135 3.2 Vent Well

136 One central VW will be installed at the site. The central VW will be used, for
137 pilot testing purposes and will be constructed of 4-inch-inside-diameter (ID) sched-
138 ule 40 polyvinyl chloride (PVC), with a 10-foot interval of 0.04-inch slotted screen
139 set at 5 to 15 feet BGL. Flush-threaded PVC casing and screen will be used with no
140 organic solvents or glues. The filter pack will be clean, well-rounded silica sand with
141 a grain size of 6 to 9, and will be placed in the annular space of the screened inter-
142 val. A 2-foot layer of bentonite pellets, hydrated in place with potable water, will be
143 placed directly over the filter pack. This layer of pellets will prevent the addition of
144 bentonite slurry from saturating the filter pack. A bentonite-cement grout will then
145 be tremied into the remaining annular space above the bentonite pellets to produce
146 an airtight seal above the screened interval. A complete seal is critical to prevent
147 injected air from short-circuiting to the surface during the bioventing test.
148 Figure 3.3 illustrates the proposed central VW construction for this site.

149 Although contaminated soils may exist above 5 feet BGL, the 5-foot depth was
150 chosen for the top of the screened interval to reduce short-circuiting of injected air
151 to the surface, a common problem at sites with shallow contamination and tight
152 soils. It is felt that oxygen can still be delivered to the shallow soils by vertical flow
153 and diffusion. The bottom of the screened interval 15 feet BGL will be 5 feet below
154 the interface of silty-clay and sand, which is approximately 10 feet BGL.



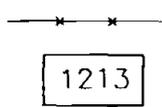
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ST14-17M

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- ▲ PROPOSED CENTRAL VENT WELL (AIR INJECTION)
- ST14-17M EXISTING MONITORING WELLS
- ⊕ MPC PROPOSED VAPOR MONITORING POINT



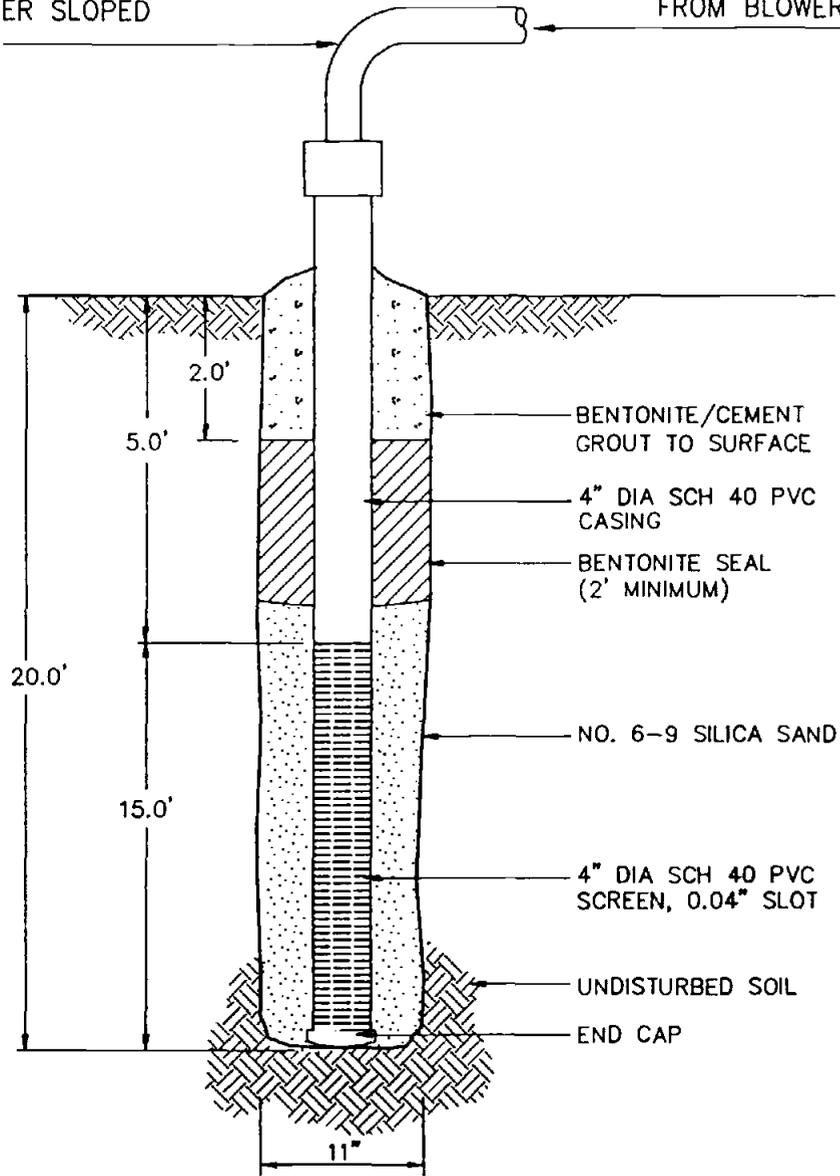
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FIGURE 3.2
PROPOSED VENT WELL \ VAPOR MONITORING POINT SPACING
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2" DIAMETER SCH 40
PVC HEADER SLOPED
TO WELL

FROM BLOWER



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FIGURE 3.3
INJECTION VENT WELL
CONSTRUCTION DETAIL
SITE ST14 POL TANK FARM
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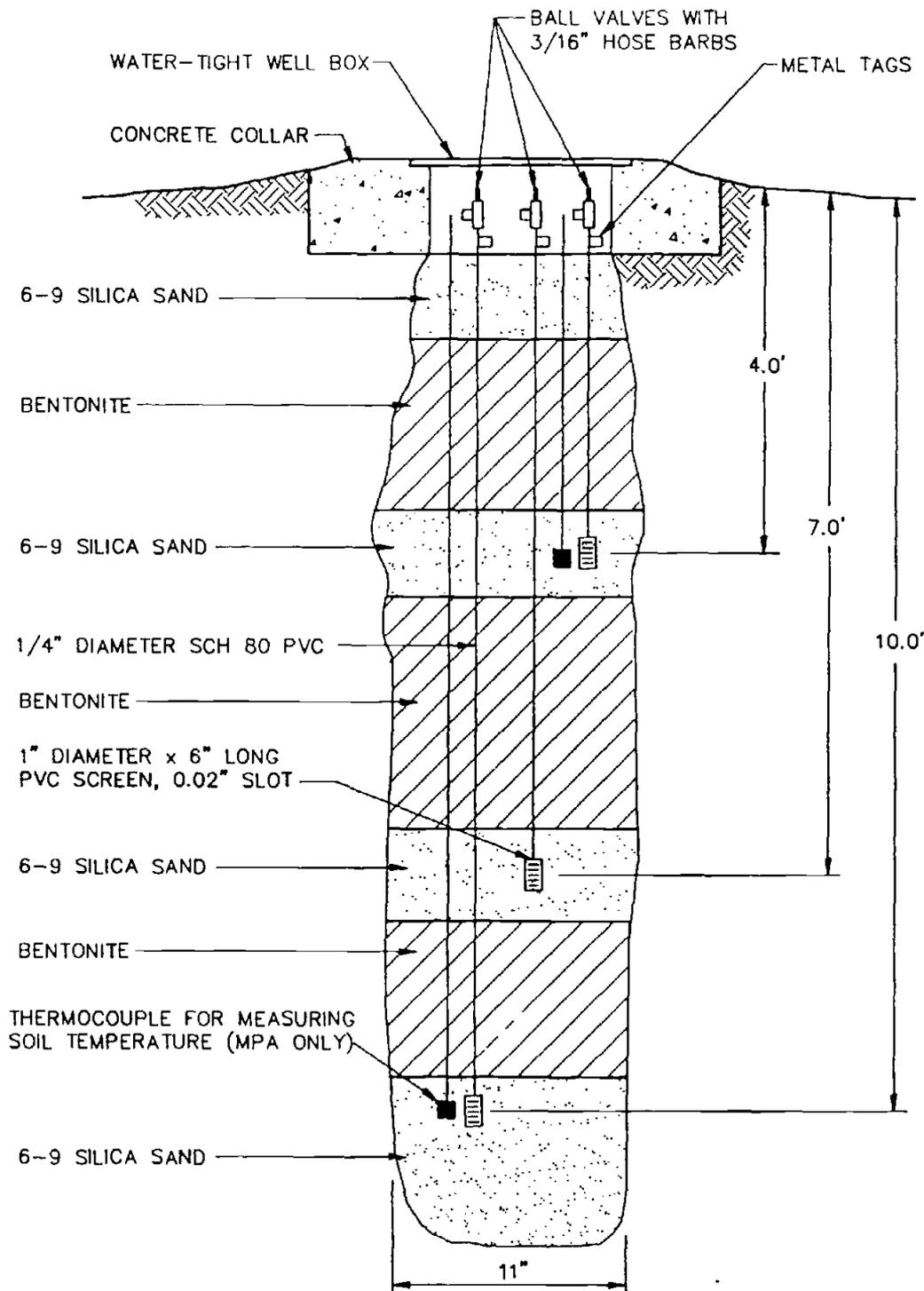
159 Water is anticipated to be present in the top of the sand zone at approximately
160 11 feet BGL. The June 1990 water level reported for monitoring well ST14-17 was
161 10.9 feet below the measuring point. Placing the screened interval well into the
162 water table will allow oxygenation of soils in this zone if the water table subsides
163 during the life of the pilot system.

164 **3.3 Monitoring Points**

165 A typical multidepth vapor MP construction for this site is shown in Figure 3.4.
166 Soil gas oxygen and carbon dioxide concentrations will be monitored at depths of
167 4 feet, 7 feet, and 10 feet at each location. Where the water table is less than
168 10 feet BGL, only two MPs may be constructed. Multidepth monitoring will confirm
169 that the entire soil profile is receiving oxygen, and will serve to measure fuel
170 biodegradation rates at each depth. The depths or number of monitoring points will
171 be adjusted in the event the water table is encountered at depths shallower than
172 10 feet, such that the deepest monitoring point screen is a minimum of 1 foot above
173 the water table. The spaces between monitoring intervals will be sealed with
174 bentonite to isolate the intervals. As with the central VW, several inches of
175 hydrated bentonite pellets will be used to shield the filter pack from rapid infiltra-
176 tion of bentonite slurry additions. Soil temperature will be monitored using ther-
177 mocouples installed at depths of 4 feet and 10 feet BGL in the monitoring point
178 closest to the vent well (MPA). Additional details on VW and MP construction are
179 found in section 4 of the protocol document.

180 **3.4 Handling Drill Cuttings**

181 Cuttings will be collected in U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)
182 approved containers. The containers will be labeled and left on base. Drill cuttings
183 will become the responsibility of Carswell AFB or their designated contractor.



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FIGURE 3.4
PROPOSED MONITORING POINT
CONSTRUCTION DETAIL
SITE ST14 POL TANK FARM
CARSWELL AFB
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186 Thus, Carswell AFB will be responsible for disposal of drill cuttings in accordance
187 with the current procedures for ongoing remedial investigations.

188 3.5 Soil and Soil Gas Sampling

189 3.5.1 Soil Samples

190 Four soil samples will be collected from the pilot test area during installation of
191 the central VW and MPs. Sampling procedures will follow those outlined in the
192 protocol document. One sample will be collected from the most contaminated
193 interval of the central VW boring, and one sample will be collected from the inter-
194 val of highest apparent contamination in each of the MP soil borings. Soil samples
195 will be analyzed for total recoverable petroleum hydrocarbons (TRPH) using EPA
196 method 418.1; benzene, toluene, ethyl benzene, and xylenes (BTEX) using EPA
197 method SW8020; soil moisture; pH; particle sizing; alkalinity; and nutrients
198 (nitrogen and phosphorus). One sample from the background boring will also be
199 analyzed for total Kjeldahl nitrogen (TKN).

200 Samples for TRPH and BTEX analysis will be collected using a split-spoon
201 sampler. Samples will be collected by hand with stainless steel sampling spoons or
202 using brass tube liners in the split spoon. Hand collected samples will be immedi-
203 ately placed in glass bottles with Teflon®-lined lids and packed into a cooler for
204 storage. If brass tube liners are used, the soil samples will be immediately trimmed,
205 and the ends of the brass tubes will be sealed with aluminium foil or Teflon fabric
206 held in place by plastic caps. Soil samples collected for all other analyses will be
207 placed into glass sample jars or other appropriate sample containers specified in the
208 soil sampling section of this work plan (section 5). Soil samples will be labeled
209 following the nomenclature specified in the protocol document, wrapped in plastic,
210 and placed in a cooler for shipment. A chain-of-custody form will be filled out, and
211 the cooler will be delivered to NDRC Laboratories in Richardson, Texas, for analy-

212 sis. This laboratory has been audited by the Texas Water Commission (TWC) and
213 meets all quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) and certification requirements
214 for the State of Texas.

215 3.5.2 Soil Gas Samples

216 A total hydrocarbon vapor analyzer will be used during drilling to screen split-
217 spoon samples for intervals of high fuel contamination in the VWs and MPs. Initial
218 soil gas samples from the central VW and from the MPs closest to and furthest from
219 the VW will be collected in SUMMA® canisters in accordance with the bioventing
220 field sampling plan (ES, 1992). Additionally, these soil gas samples will be used to
221 determine the reduction in BTEX and total volatile hydrocarbons (TVH) during the
222 1-year test, and to detect any migration of these vapors from the source area.

223 Soil gas sample canisters will be placed in a small cooler and packed with foam
224 pellets to prevent excessive movement during shipment. To prevent condensation
225 of hydrocarbons, samples will not be sent on ice. A chain-of-custody form will be
226 filled out, and the cooler will be shipped to the Air Toxics, Inc., laboratory in Ranch
227 Cordova, California, for analysis.

228 3.6 Blower System

229 A 3-horsepower positive-displacement blower capable of injecting air over a
230 wide range of flow rates and pressures will be used to conduct the initial air
231 permeability test and *in situ* respiration test. The maximum power requirement
232 anticipated for this pilot test is 230-volt, single-phase, 30-amp service. Additional
233 details on power supply requirements are described in section 6.0, base support
234 requirements.

235 3.7 In Situ Respiration Test

236 The objective of the *in situ* respiration test is to determine the rate at which soil
237 bacteria degrade petroleum hydrocarbons. Respiration tests will be performed at
238 selected depth intervals in MPs where bacteria biodegradation of hydrocarbons is
239 indicated by low oxygen levels and elevated carbon dioxide concentrations in the
240 soil gas. A 1-cubic-foot-per-minute (cfm) pump will be used to inject air into the
241 selected MP depth intervals containing low levels (<2 percent) of oxygen. A
242 20-hour air injection period will be used to oxygenate local contaminated soils. At
243 the end of the 20-hour air injection period, the air supply will be cut off, and oxygen
244 and carbon dioxide levels will be monitored for the following 48 to 72 hours. The
245 decline in oxygen and increase in carbon dioxide concentrations over time will be
246 used to estimate rates of bacterial degradation of fuel residuals. Helium will also be
247 injected at each MP to account for oxygen loss to diffusion or leakage. Additional
248 details on the *in situ* respiration test are found in section 5.7 of the protocol docu-
249 ment (Hinchee et al., 1992).

250 3.8 Air Permeability Test

251 The objective of the air permeability test is to determine the extent of the
252 subsurface that can be oxygenated using one air injection VW. Air will be injected
253 into the 4-inch-diameter central VW using the blower unit, and pressure response
254 will be measured at each MP with differential pressure gauges to determine the
255 region influenced by the unit. Oxygen will also be monitored in the MPs to verify
256 that oxygen levels in the soil increase as the result of air injection. One air perme-
257 ability test lasting approximately 4 to 8 hours will be performed.

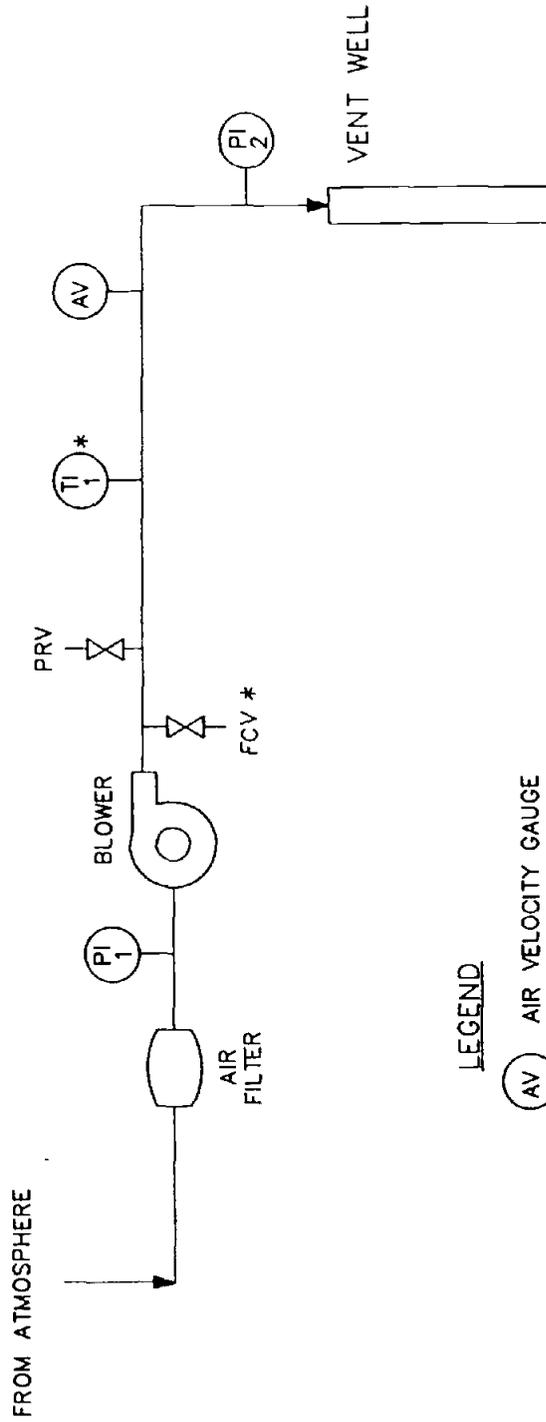
258 3.9 Installation of 1-Year Pilot Test Bioventing System

259 The decision to proceed with bioventing will be made after completion of the
260 soil gas permeability and the *in situ* respiration tests. If sufficient evidence exists to

261 indicate that the addition of oxygen enhances biodegradation in the contaminated
262 areas, then a long-term bioventing system also will be installed at the POL tank
263 farm area (site ST14) before the field crew leaves the site. The base will be
264 requested to provide power consisting of 230-volt, 30-amp, single-phase service and
265 a breaker box with one 230-volt receptacle and two 110-volt receptacles. Depending
266 on availability, a base electrician or a licensed electrician subcontracted to ES will
267 assist in wiring the blowers to line power. The blower system will be chosen based
268 on the results of the initial respiration and air permeability tests. However, it is
269 anticipated that the long-term blower will be capable of injecting air at 5 pounds per
270 square inch (psi) and 14 cfm and will not exceed 1.5 horsepower. The blower will
271 have vacuum, pressure, and temperature gauges, and an air filter, pressure relief,
272 and flow control valve (see Figure 3.5). The blower will be housed in a small,
273 prefabricated shed to provide protection from the weather. The system will be
274 operated for 1 year, and ES personnel will conduct *in situ* respiration tests after 6
275 months and at the conclusion of the pilot test (1 year) to monitor the long-term
276 performance of this bioventing system. Weekly system checks will be performed by
277 Carswell AFB personnel. If required, major maintenance of the blower unit will be
278 performed by ES personnel. Detailed blower system information and a
279 maintenance schedule will be included in the operation and maintenance (O&M)
280 manual provided to the base. More detailed information regarding the long-term
281 pilot test procedures can be found in the protocol document.

282 4.0 EXCEPTIONS TO PROTOCOL PROCEDURES

283 The procedures that will be used to measure the air permeability of the soil and
284 *in situ* respiration rates are described in sections 4 and 5, respectively, of the proto-
285 col document (Hinchee et al., 1992). No exceptions to the protocol are anticipated.



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- (AV) AIR VELOCITY GAUGE
- (PI 1) PRESSURE INDICATOR
- (TI 1) TEMPERATURE INDICATOR
- FCV FLOW CONTROL VALVE
- PRV PRESSURE RELIEF VALVE
- * OPTIONAL

FIGURE 3.5
 BLOWER SYSTEM
 INSTRUMENTATION DIAGRAM
 FOR AIR INJECTION
 SITE ST14 POL TANK FARM
 CARSWELL AFB

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288 **5.0 SOIL SAMPLING PLAN**

289 **5.1 Preliminaries**

290 Prior to drilling, all federal, state, and local permits will be obtained and all
291 underground pipelines and utilities will be marked. Carswell AFB will be responsi-
292 ble for assisting the ES field team in obtaining all utility clearances. If any of the
293 proposed borehole locations are in a difficult drilling position, such as under a tree,
294 too close to an overhead power line, or in an unusually soft or wet area, then the
295 borehole will be relocated by the ES field team leader.

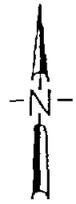
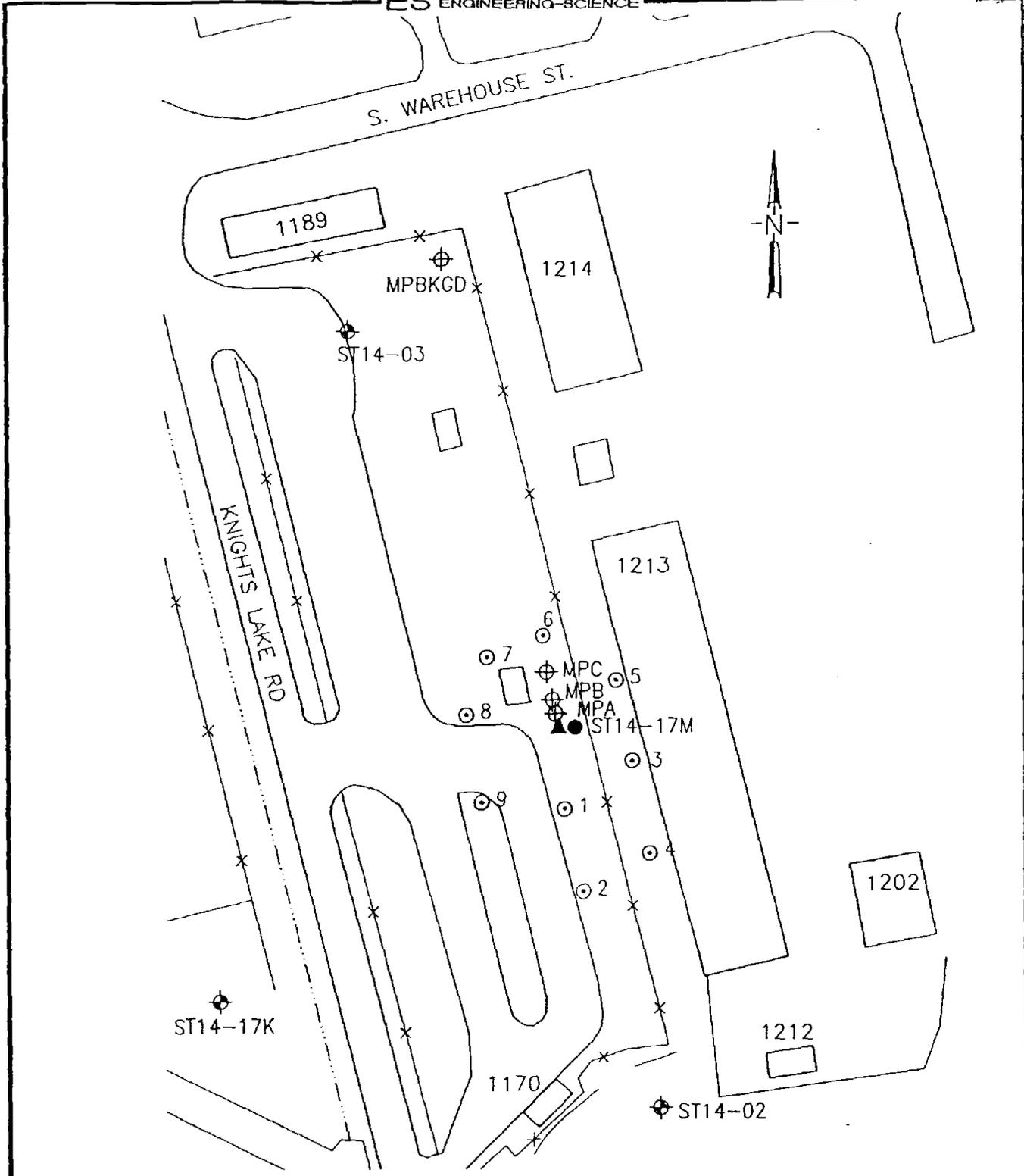
296 To ensure that no contamination is inadvertently introduced into a boring or
297 vent well, all drilling, downhole, and sampling equipment will be decontaminated.
298 The driller on site will have a valid State of Texas monitoring well license.

299 To further ensure that there are no underground obstructions, all areas where
300 soil borings and vent wells are to be drilled will be surveyed with a magnetometer
301 (pipe finder) instrument.

302 **5.2 Drilling**

303 The soil borings will be drilled to a depth of approximately 10 to 15 feet using
304 8-inch-outer-diameter (OD), continuous-flight, hollow-stem augers. Soil samples
305 will be collected continuously using a split spoon or core barrel. The lithology of
306 each sample will be described in the field logbook.

307 Once the radius of oxygen influence (ROI) for vent wells at the site is
308 determined from the pilot bioventing test, the soil boring locations can be
309 determined. The borings will be located generally along the buried fuel distribution
310 line. The ROI observed from the pilot system will be used to determine the spacing
311 between soil borings in order to maximize efficiency of a full-scale bioventing
312 system. The proposed locations for the first nine boreholes are shown on Figure 5.1.



LEGEND

- ▲ PROPOSED CENTRAL VENT WELL (AIR INJECTION)
- ST14-17M EXISTING MONITORING WELLS
- ⊕ MPC PROPOSED VAPOR MONITORING POINT
- ⊗ FENCE
- 1213 BUILDING
- ⊙ 2 PROPOSED SOIL BORING LOCATION

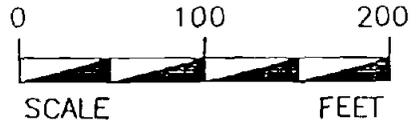


FIGURE 5.1
PROPOSED
INITIAL BOREHOLE
LOCATIONS
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314 These locations account for cultural obstructions such as buildings and
315 pavement, but do not consider results obtained during the pilot test. A more
316 accurate soil boring plan with tentative boring locations will be prepared after
317 determining ROI and evaluating analytical data from samples collected from the
318 vent well and monitoring point boreholes. This plan will be submitted as an
319 appendix to the interim bioventing test data report.

320 The core samples will be screened with an OVA, and at least one sample per
321 boring will be placed into a jar for headspace analysis. If contamination is not found
322 by screening the soil, then no further borings will be drilled. If significant
323 contamination is detected based on headspace readings or saturated visual charac-
324 teristics, then a vent well will be completed in the borehole for use in the full-scale
325 bioventing system. A second soil boring will be drilled and sampled one and three-
326 fourths ROIs from the first. If contamination is still detected, then additional
327 borings will be drilled until significant contamination is no longer detected. Vent
328 wells will be constructed in each of the borings which exhibit characteristics of
329 significant contamination (i.e., high headspace readings, oily saturated soil, heavy
330 odors).

331 Soil borings will also be located in a line downgradient of the area of highest
332 contamination based on local groundwater hydrology. The water table is located
333 near a depth of 10 feet, so subsurface soil contamination is likely to occur down-
334 stream of the contaminant source since the groundwater is one of the probable
335 migration pathways for contamination. The borings will be spaced according to data
336 provided during the pilot test.

337 Once the extent of migration is determined along the pipeline and downgradi-
338 ent of the area of highest contamination, then additional soil borings will be drilled

339 radially from the pilot vent well to determine the extent of contamination in other
340 directions. If the extent of contamination is adequately determined without
341 expending the drilling budget, then some additional soil borings may be located
342 around the POL tank farm area to begin characterization and delineation activities
343 there.

344 5.3 Sampling

345 Soil samples will be continuously collected and lithologically described.
346 Samples will also be collected for chemical analysis. Once the samples are retrieved
347 from the augers, the soil will be scanned with a flame ionization detector (FID) to
348 check for contamination. If contamination is suspected, then some of the sample
349 will be placed in a Mason jar and covered with foil for a headspace analysis.

350 A maximum of two samples will be collected from each boring. One sample
351 will be collected from just above water (about 10 feet below ground) where the
352 highest contamination is anticipated. A second sample will be collected from any
353 other zones which exhibit high contamination based on the screening results, but
354 preferably in the screened interval of the vent wells (5 to 10 feet BGL). The soil
355 samples from each boring will be analyzed for the BTEX and TRPH. It is antici-
356 pated that on average one and one-half samples will be collected per boring.

357 Once the samples have been retrieved from the sampling device, they will be
358 immediately placed in 8-ounce glass jars (if brass tube liners are not used). If brass
359 tubes are used, then the samples will be immediately trimmed, and the ends of the
360 brass tubes will be sealed with aluminum foil or Teflon fabric held in place by plas-
361 tic caps.

362 **5.4 Chain of Custody**

363 **Sample Labels**

364 To prevent misidentification of samples, labels will be affixed to each sample
365 container. The labels will be sufficiently durable to remain legible even when wet
366 and will contain the following types of information:

- 367 • Sample identification number
- 368 • Name of collector
- 369 • Date and time of collection
- 370 • Place of collection
- 371 • Parameter(s) requested (if space permits).

372 The sample labels will be filled out with waterproof ink. Clear cellophane tape
373 will be placed over the label for protection.

374 **Sample Seal**

375 In cases where samples may leave the owner-operator's immediate control, such
376 as shipment to a laboratory by a common carrier (e.g., air freight), a seal will be
377 affixed to the shipping container or individual sample bottles to ensure that the
378 samples have not been disturbed during transportation. The seal, which may consist
379 of an adhesive sticker with the date and the sample name written on it, will be
380 placed on the shipping container or bottle in such a way that opening of the
381 container or bottle will cause removal of or damage to the seal.

382 **Field Logbook**

383 The owner-operator or the individual designated to perform groundwater moni-
384 toring operations will keep an up-to-date field logbook that documents the follow-
385 ing:

- 386 • Identification of boring
- 387 • Boring depth
- 388 • Date and time of collection
- 389 • Types of sample containers used and sample identification numbers
- 390 • Parameters requested for analysis
- 391 • Sample distribution and transporter
- 392 • Field observations on sampling event
- 393 • Name of collector
- 394 • Climatic conditions including air temperature.

395 **Chain-of-Custody Record**

396 To establish the documentation necessary to trace sample possession from time
397 of collection, a chain-of-custody record will be filled out and will accompany every
398 sample. The record will contain the following types of information:

- 399 • Sample number
- 400 • Signature of collector
- 401 • Date and time of collection
- 402 • Sample type
- 403 • Identification of boring
- 404 • Number of containers
- 405 • Parameters requested for analysis
- 406 • Signature of person(s) involved in the chain of possession
- 407 • Inclusive dates of possession.

408 **6.0 BASE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS**

409 The following base support is needed prior to the arrival of the drilling subcon-
410 tractor and the ES pilot test team:

- 411 • Confirmation of regulatory approval of work plan before proceeding.
- 412 • Assistance in obtaining drilling and digging permits.
- 413 • Confirmation of available power source, specifically 230-volt, 30-amp, single-
414 phase service and a breaker box with one 230-volt receptacle and two
415 110-volt receptacles. The breaker box should be located as close as practical
416 to the VW location (Figure 3.1), preferably outside the fenced area.
- 417 • Provision of any paperwork required to obtain gate passes and security
418 badges for approximately three ES employees, two drillers, and an electrician
419 (if a base electrician is not available). Vehicle passes will be needed for one
420 truck and trailer and a drill rig.

421 During the initial testing, the following base support is needed:

- 422 • Twelve square feet of desk space and a telephone in a building located as
423 close to the site as practical
- 424 • The use of a facsimile machine for transmitting fifteen to twenty pages of test
425 results
- 426 • Assistance in locating area (not likely to be affected by petroleum
427 contamination) for background soil boring
- 428 • The use of the base wastewater treatment facility or other discharge for
429 disposal of decontamination liquids
- 430 • Acceptance by the AFB of responsibility for drill cuttings from VW and MP
431 borings, including any drum sampling to determine hazardous waste status.

432 (If ES is to transfer custody of barrels to another contractor working on the
433 base, assistance in arranging this transfer will also be needed.)

434 During the 1-year extended pilot test, base personnel will be required to
435 perform the following activities:

- 436 • Check the blower system once per week to ensure that it is operating and to
437 record the air injection pressure. ES will provide a brief training session on
438 this procedure.
- 439 • If the blower stops working, notify David Highland or Brian Vanderglas of
440 ES Austin (512/467-6200); or Chris Hobbins of the Air Force Center for
441 Environmental Excellence (AFCEE) (512/536-5261).
- 442 • Arrange site access for an ES technician to conduct *in situ* respiration tests
443 approximately 6 months and 1 year after the initial pilot test.

444 7.0 PROJECT AND DELIVERABLES AND SCHEDULE

445 The following schedule is contingent upon approval of this pilot test work plan
446 and fulfillment of base support requirements.

447	Event	Date Completed
448	Draft pilot test work plan to	22 April 1993
449	AFCEE/Randolph AFB	
450		
451	Begin initial pilot test	17 May 1993
452		
453	Analytical report	20 July 1993
454		
455	Scientific test	20 July 1993
456		
457	Technical report	11 August 1993

458 Upon receipt of laboratory results, ES will prepare and submit an analytical
459 report (referred to as data item A003 in the statement of work) consisting of the

460 project analytical data and appropriate observations and explanations. A scientific
461 report (referred to as data item A004 in the statement of work) will be submitted
462 presenting the draft pilot test report. Upon AFCEE approval of the scientific
463 report, ES will complete the full-scale conceptual design of the bioventing system
464 and will submit this design, along with the final pilot test report, in the final
465 technical report (referred to as data item A005 in the statement of work).

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