

Site-Specific Reductive Dechlorination Designs Using a Full Toolbox of Abiotic with Biotic Reagents

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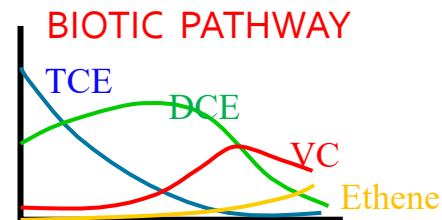
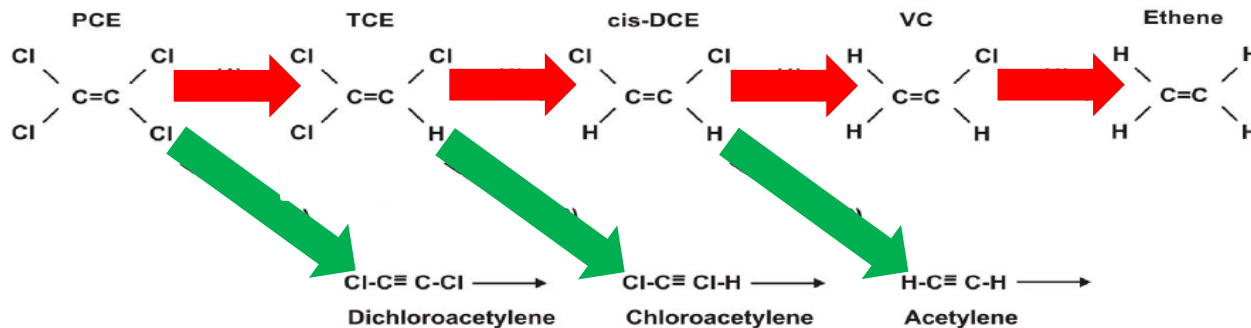
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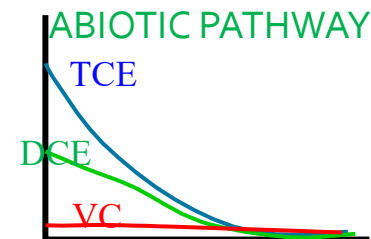
Enhanced Bioremediation

- **Biotic** Dechlorination in presence of e^- donor only

- **Biotic & Abiotic** Dechlorination in presence of ZVI & e^- donor



- Multiple reaction processes
- Reduce lesser chlorinated CVOCs
- Lower reducing conditions
- Extend reactivity
- pH buffering



CARBON SUBSTRATE Electron Donors

- **Soluble/Quick Release**

- Lactate, methanol, molasses, fructose corn syrup

high

- **Slow-Release**

- Emulsified vegetable oil, lecithin, neat oil
 - Different droplet sizes

- **Solid products**

- Mulch, compost, shells

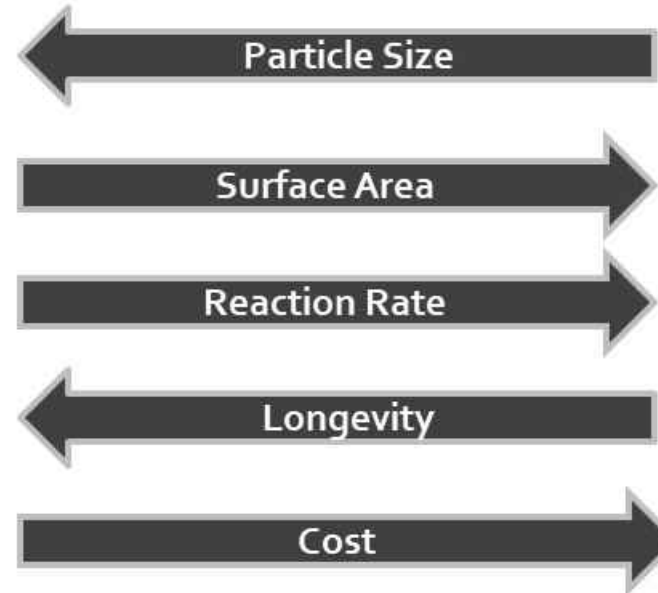


Zero Valent Iron

- Remediation Objectives
 - Hot Spot Treatment
 - Smaller ZVI – rapid reaction
- Permeable Reactive Barriers
 - Larger ZVI - persistence
- Combinations of reactive iron
 - Sulfidation



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Injection Delivery

- **Injection Wells**
 - Liquid e- donor solutions
 - Dissolved Fe and S
 - ZVI (<4 micron)
- **Temporary Injection Points**
 - Low pressure (<10-100 psi)
 - ZVI up to ~44 micron
 - Higher pressure / fracturing
- **Bedrock boreholes**
- **Soil blending**
- **Slurry ratio**



Reductive dechlorination combinations

Carbon Substrate(s)

+

Reactive Iron(s)

+

Nutrients?

+

pH buffer?



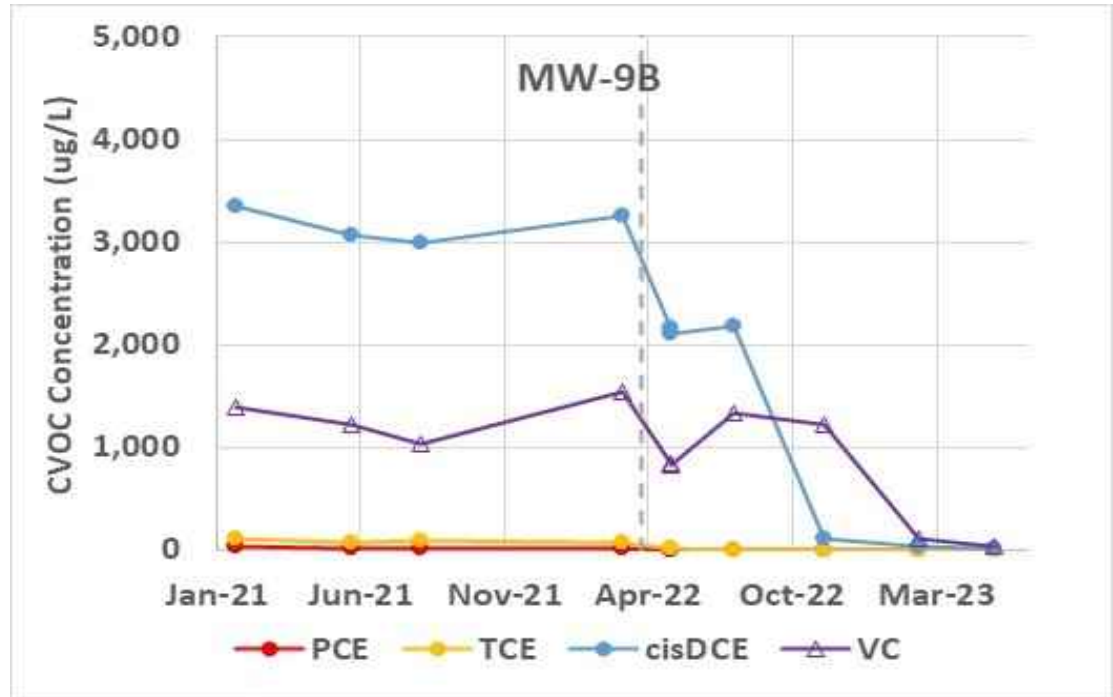
Injection Wells Case Study

- **CVOCs migrated downgradient of a former dry cleaner**
 - Downgradient property being redeveloped
 - Rapid CVOC reduction + ongoing dechlorination polishing
- **10 injection wells installed by Sonic drill rig**
 - Depth + dense silt with sand and gravel
 - 20 slot openings
- **Remedial Design**
 - EVO (small droplet)
 - EVO with ZVI (4 micron)
 - FeS + Sulfate
 - Bioaugmentation



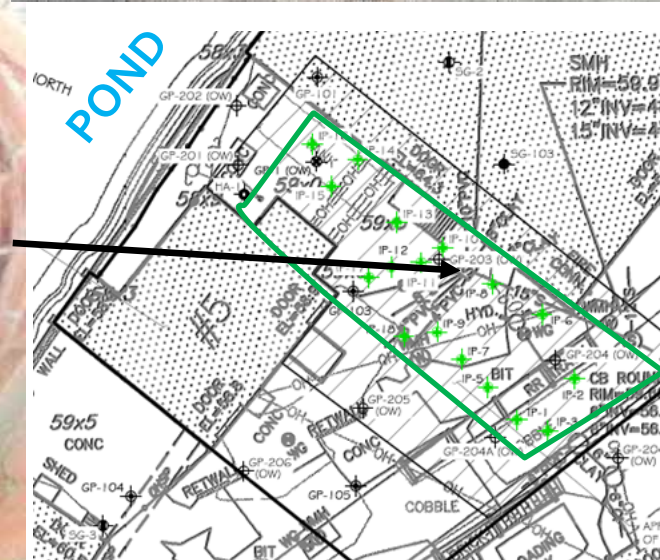
Injection Wells Case Study

- 13 months after injection
- Total CVOCs reduced 95% to >99%
- Anaerobic conditions favorable for ongoing biodegradation



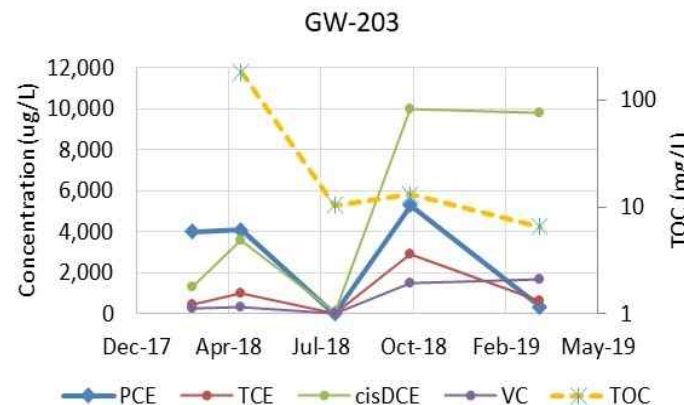
New England Mill Site

- **Redevelopment at former textile mill**
 - Soils impacted by PCE & TCE
 - Adjacent to pond
 - Numerous utilities
- **Treatment Area ~ 2,500 ft²**
- **Regulatory and public concern for water quality the pond**



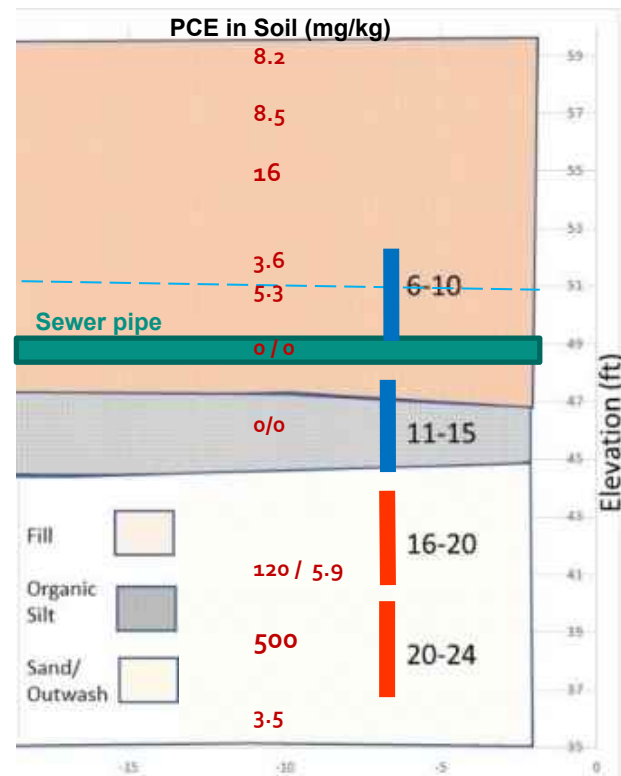
New England Mill Site

- **Water soluble donors selected**
 - Due to proximity to the pond
 - Glycerol with ZVI (2-3 μm) near hot spot Soils impacted by PCE & TCE
 - Sodium lactate in downgradient area
- **Dechlorination successful, but...**
 - Anaerobic conditions faded after 10-12 months
 - Higher CVOCs in deeper zone
- **Focused area for additional treatment (600 ft²)**
 - Desire longer persistence

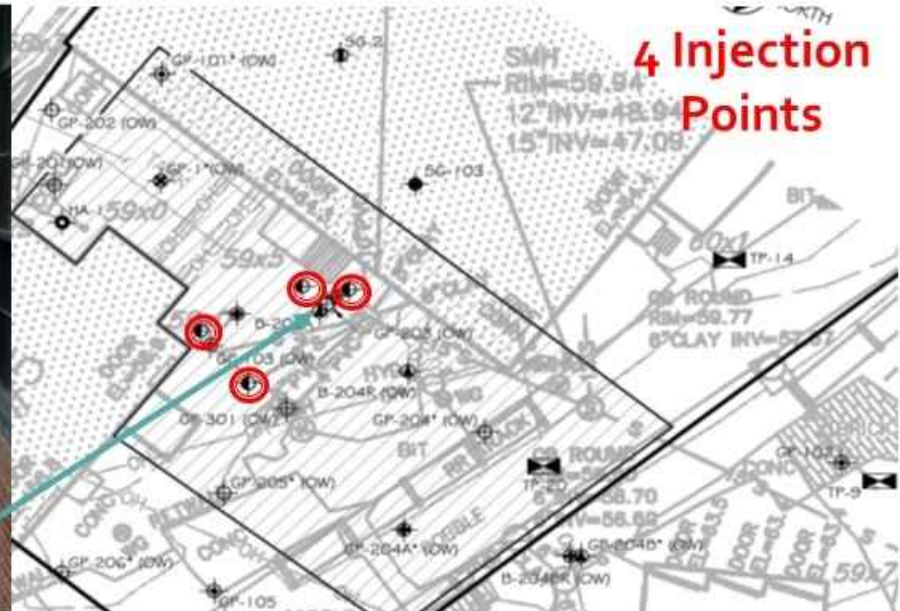


New England Mill Site

- Rapid remobilization based on construction
- **Shallow interval**
 - ELS (Lecithin)
 - Water soluble, but longer lasting than lactate
- **Deep interval (>12,000 $\mu\text{g/L}$ CVOCs)**
 - SRS®-NR-ZVI (15% ZVI by mass)
 - SRS®-NR = formulated to be stickier for high K soils
 - First ever application of SRS®-NR with ZVI
 - Prevent migration to pond or utilities
- Bioaugmentation in both intervals



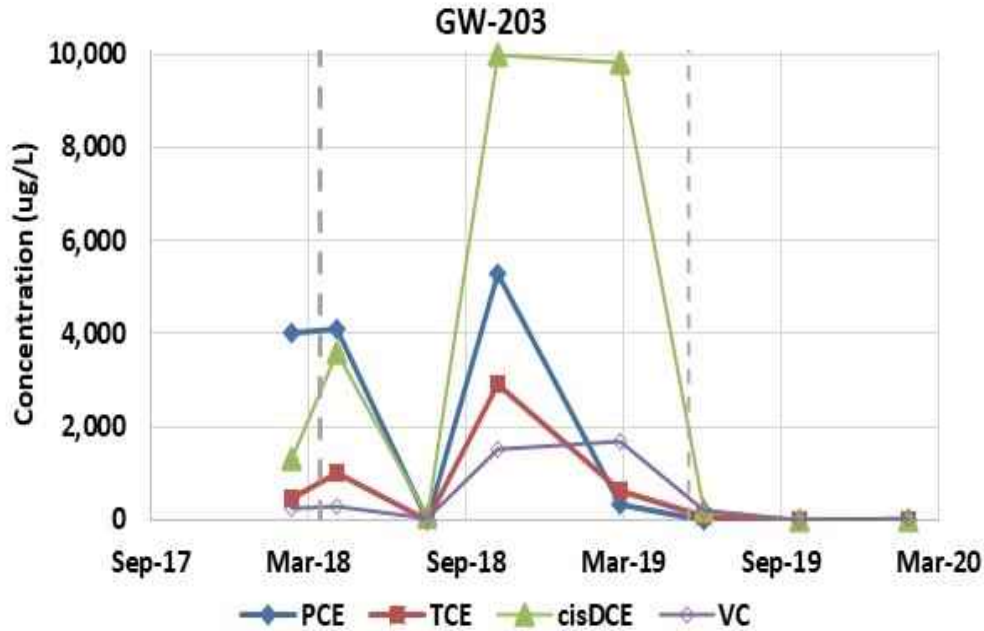
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New England Mill Site



- Site was closed with historic mill converted to 100+ affordable rental units
- 4 different EISD reagents for different zones and vertical intervals

Redevelopment Site

- 23-acre parcel
 - Manufacturing ceased in the 1980s
 - Chlorinated VOCs and 1,4-dioxane in overburden and bedrock
- New property owner wanted to initiate construction ASAP
 - Remedial objective - effectively reduce contaminant concentrations with a single injection mobilization to advance the site into the state MNA program.



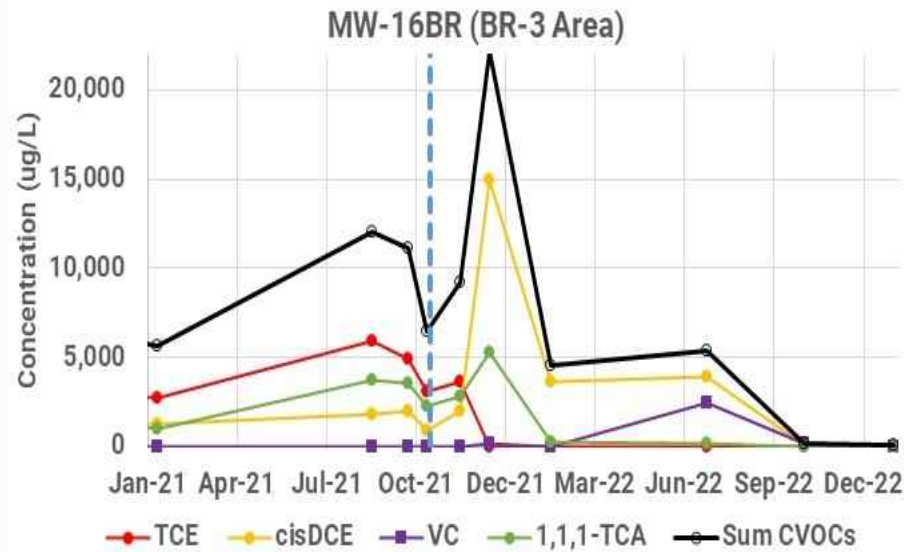
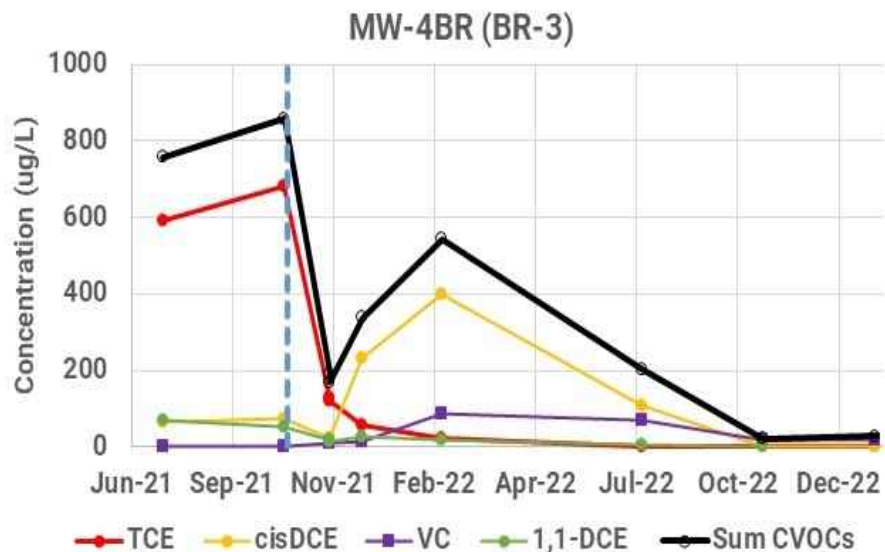
Enhanced In-Situ Dechlorination - Bedrock

- 51,000 square feet (65-90' bgs)
 - 11 injection boreholes
- EISD focused for treating fractures
 - Large Droplet EVO
 - Sulfidated ZVI (SRS®-Z)
 - ~11% 4 micron
 - ~89% 44 micron
 - Bioaugmentation (DHC+DHB)
 - Nutrient blend (N, P) + sulfate
- Open-Hole Bedrock Injection Wells
 - Straddle packers to target identified fractures



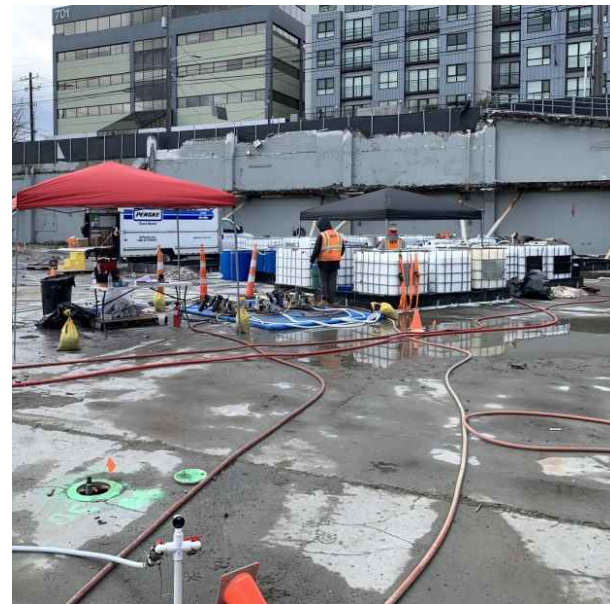
Enhanced In-Situ Dechlorination - Bedrock

- 2 months post-injection
 - 4/4 monitoring wells – TOC > 20 mg/L & TCE reduced by >90%
- 15 months post-injection
 - 4/4 monitoring wells – 96% - 99% reduction in total CVOCs



Basement Case study

- **Redevelopment of former industrial laundry**
 - ISOTEC performed ISCO + ERD into 130+ injection wells
- **Excavation to install below grade parking**
 - 63 injection wells installed at base of excavation
- **Re-injection planned prior to building occupation**
 - ~3.5 years after EVO injection
- **Total CVOCs reduced site wide**
 - Cis-1,2-DCE and VC predominate
 - Elevated PCE remaining in area where initial injection wells did not have adequate coverage



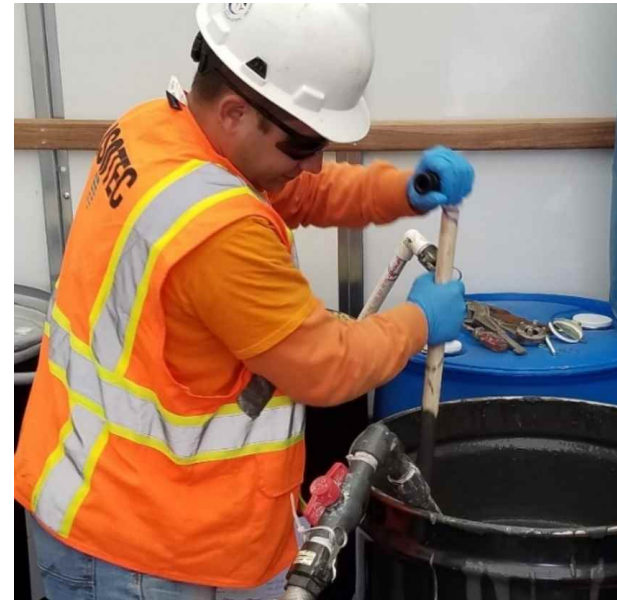
Basement Case study

- **Re-injection Goals**
 - Establish reductive dechlorination for an extended period
 - Preserve injection well integrity for future injection (if needed)
- **Remediation Design**
 - EVO (small droplet)
 - Bioaugmentation (KB-1)
 - Enhance abiotic dechlorination
 - FeS
 - Sulfate
- **Low-flow, low-pressure injection**
 - Ample deoxygenated chase water for injection wells



Bundling The Key points

- Different carbon substrates and iron reagents have advantages & disadvantages, strengths & limitations
- Tailor remediation reagents to site-specific needs
 - Geology
 - Contaminant concentration/range
 - Plume size
 - Sensitive receptors
 - Design duration (fast reaction vs. long lasting)
 - Budget



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