

Pueblo, CO Former UST Site			
	10,000		
MW-2 Before	10,000	Not Signif.	
2 Mo After	ND (0.5)		
MW-3 Before	2,900	Not Signif.	
2 Mo After	ND (0.5)		
MW-6R Before	1,900	3,300	
2 Mo After	0.7	1.7	
	0.7	1./	
MW-27 Before	LNAPL	LNAPL	
WIW-27 Defore			
2 Mo After	ND (0.5)	1	

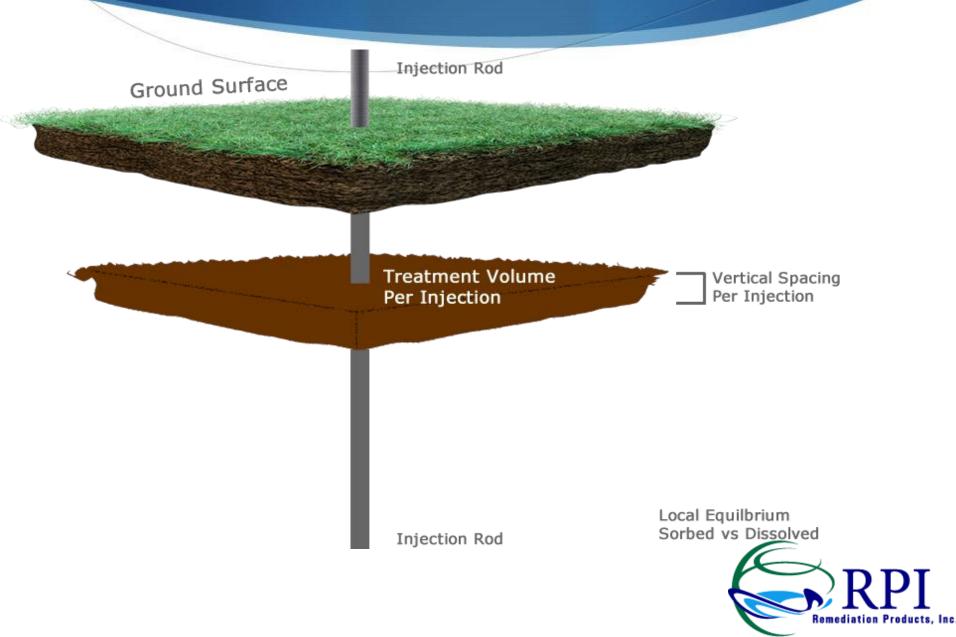


### Three Most Important Things

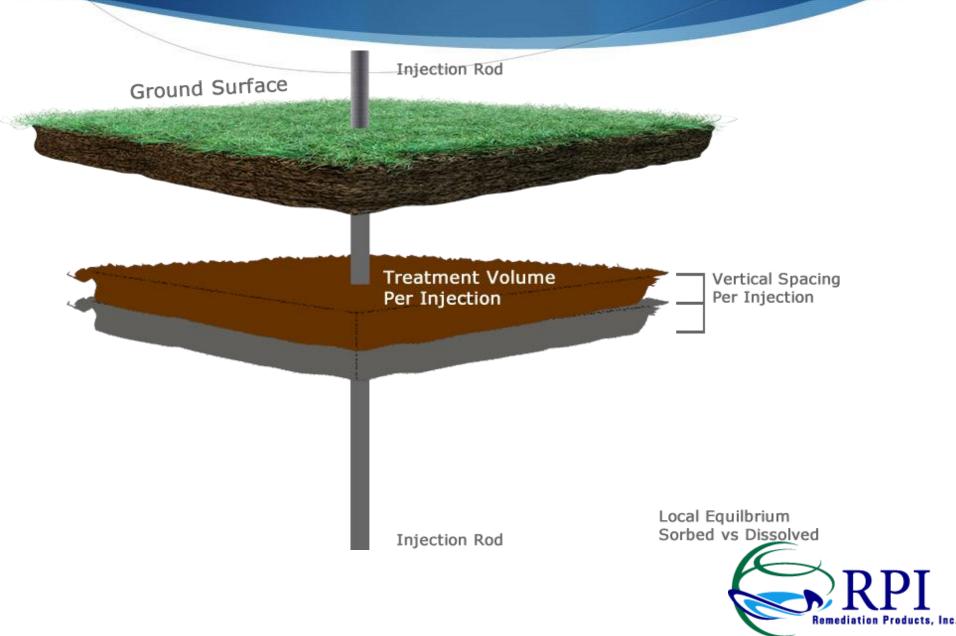
- INJECTION CONTRACTOR
- Chosen Technology Matched to the Injection Technique
- High Resolution Injection Plan



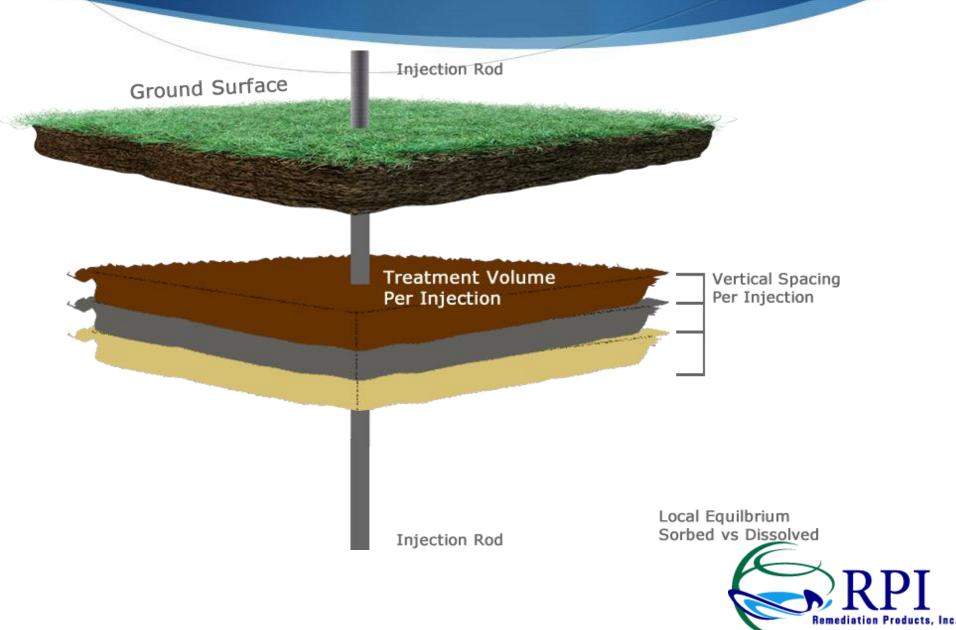
## Injection – What's the Goal?



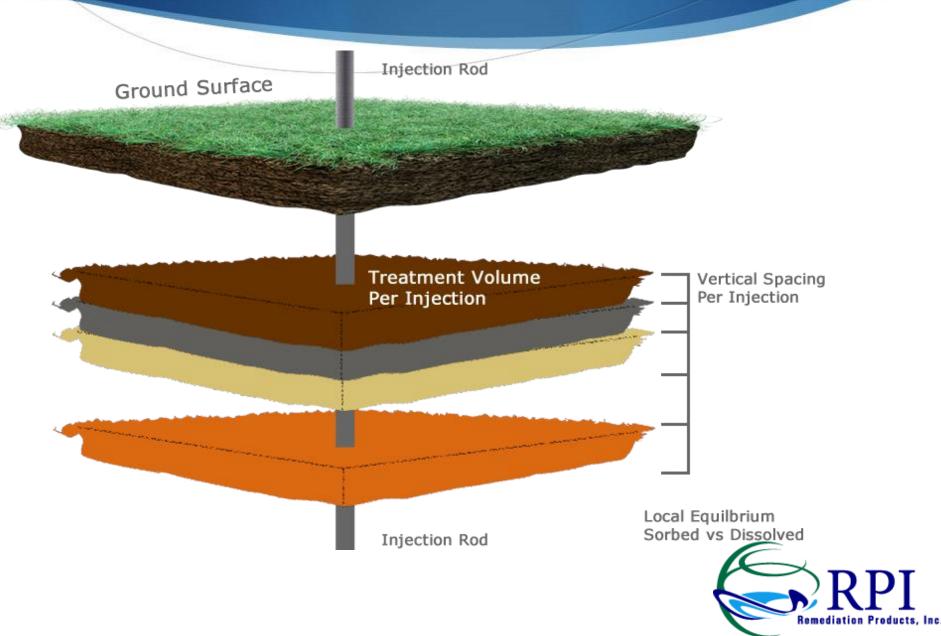
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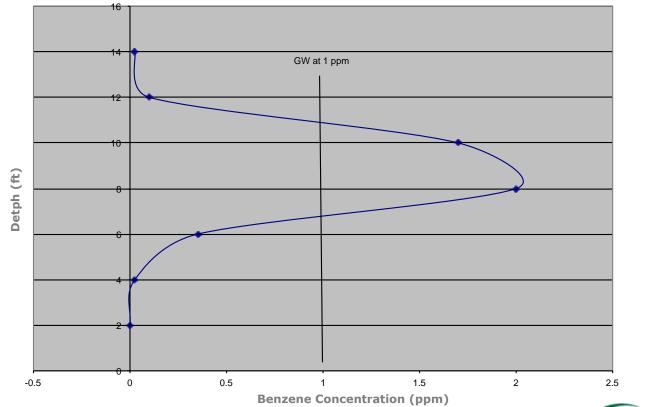


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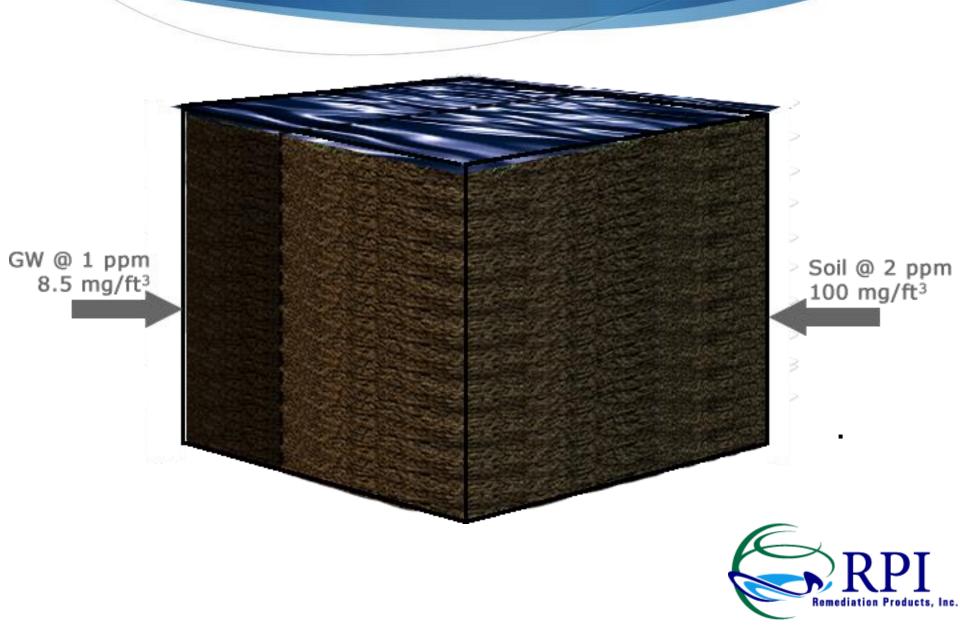
### Vertical Profile at LUST Site

Distribution of Benzene as a function of depth





#### Why Saturated Soil Contamination Is Important



## Conceptual Site Model - Goals

Detailed Understanding of Vertical and Horizontal Distribution of Contamination

- 1. Lab analysis of soil to develop vertical profiles of contaminant mass where impacts begin and where they end.
- 2. Use hydropunch or temp wells to define horizontal distribution of GW impacts.
- 3. Detailed Soil Boring Logs to Direct Future Injections

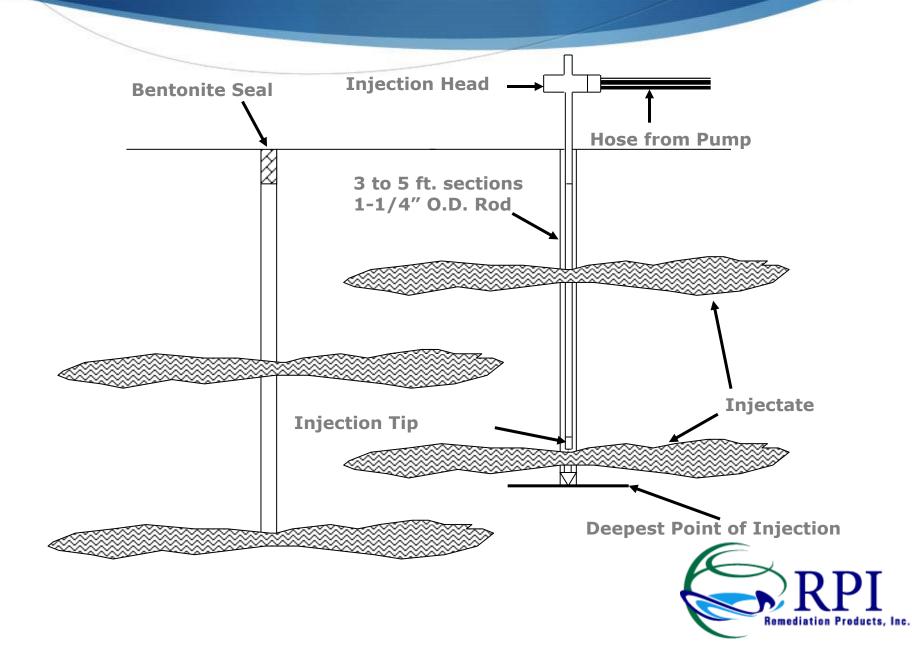


## **Injection Dynamics Part 1**

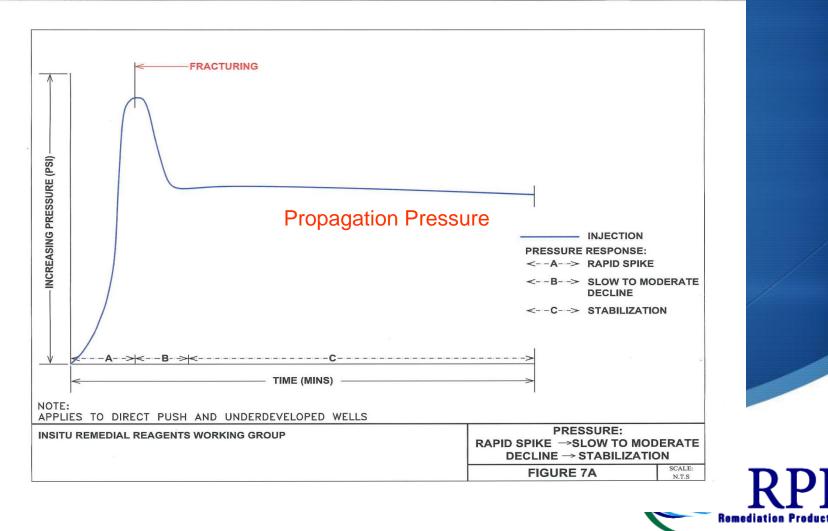
- Hydraulic Fracturing
- High Pressure High Flow
- Injection in Clays/Silts, Sands & Gravel
- Radius of Influence



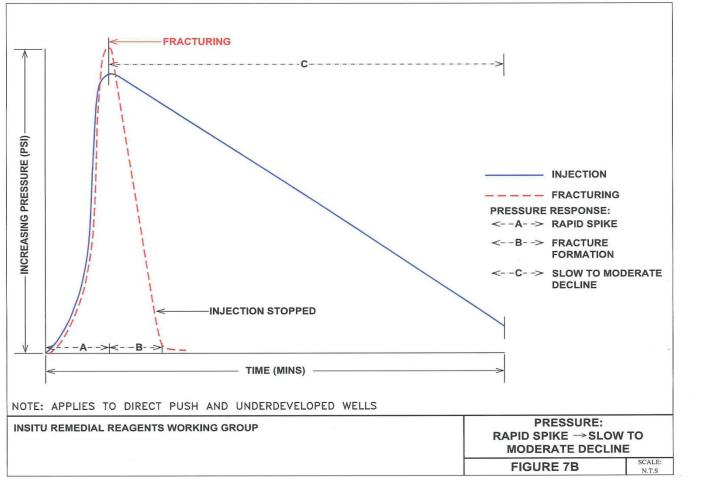
#### Typical "Top-Down" Injection for Clay Soils



# **Hydro-Frac Signature**

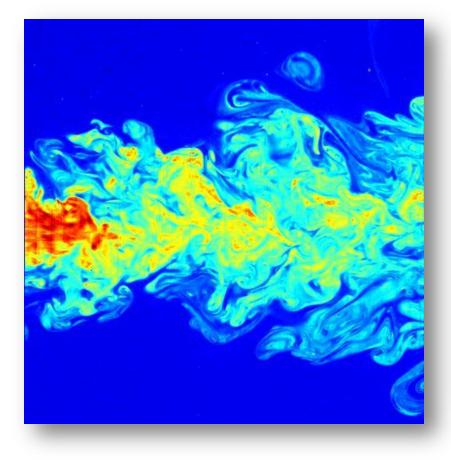


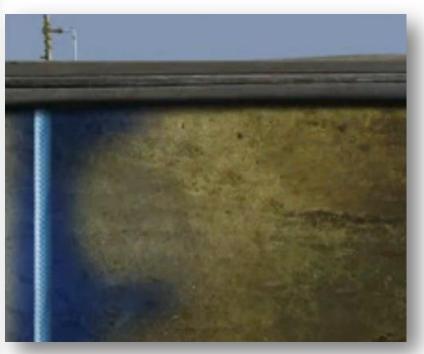
# **Overburden Pressure**



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## Injection In Sands





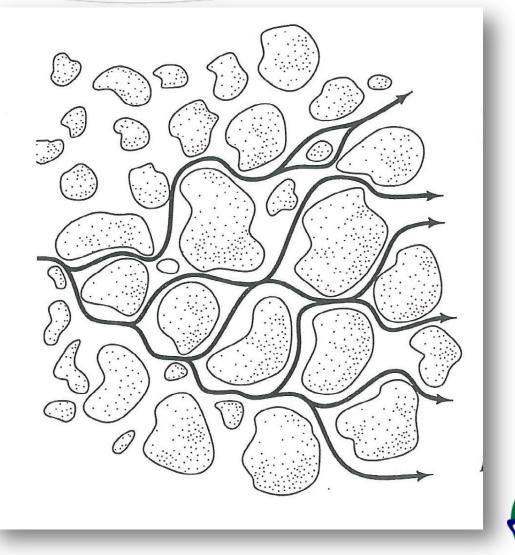






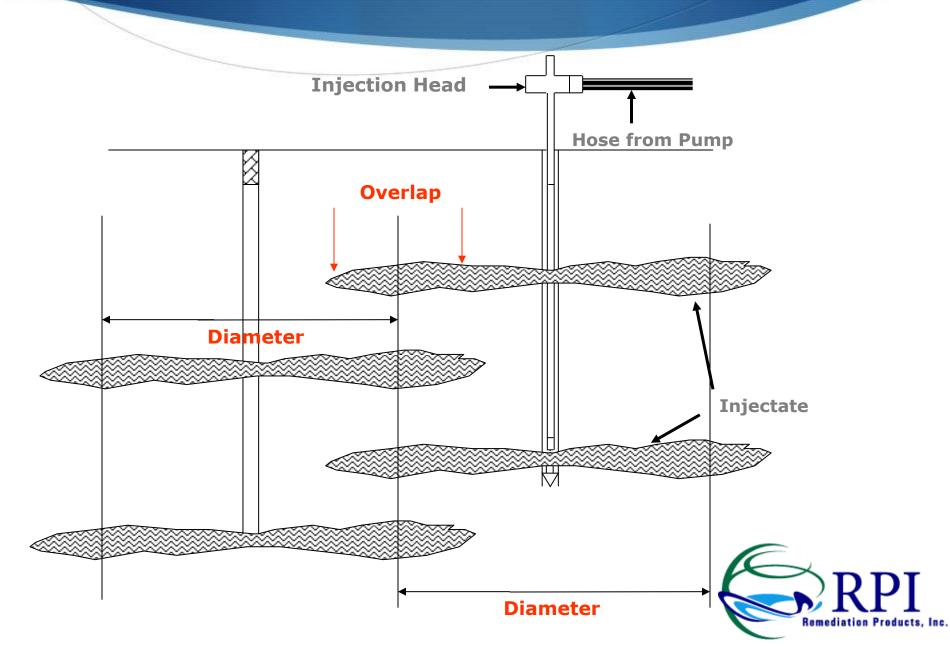


## Injection In Gravel





### Effective Radius of Influence



# **Effective Radius of Influence**

Rules of Thumb – 10' Grid

Silt/Clay – 40 to 50 gallons Sands and Gravel – 50 to 70 gallons

> Vertical Spacing 1.5' to 2' Typical Up To 3' in Fine to MG Sand



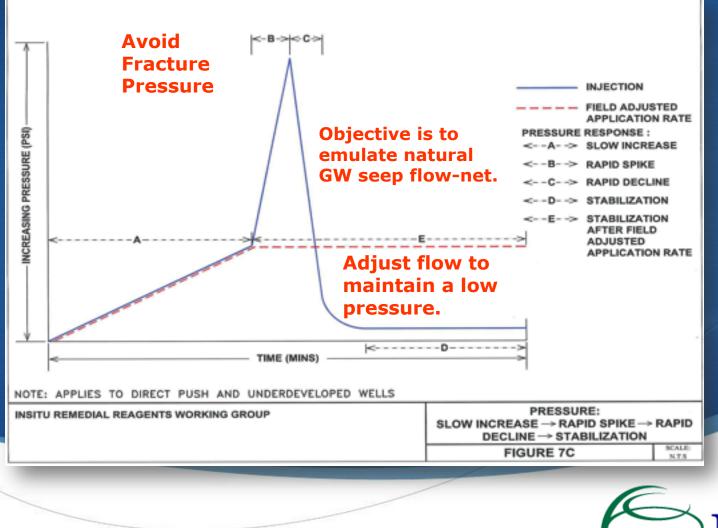
### **Injection Dynamics Part 2**

- Infiltration Galleries "Gravity Feed"
- Low Flow in Low Pressure or High Pressure Conditions:
  - When is it a Good Idea?
  - Injection Wells and Use of Packers

Low flow at low pressure is the new industry "mantra"

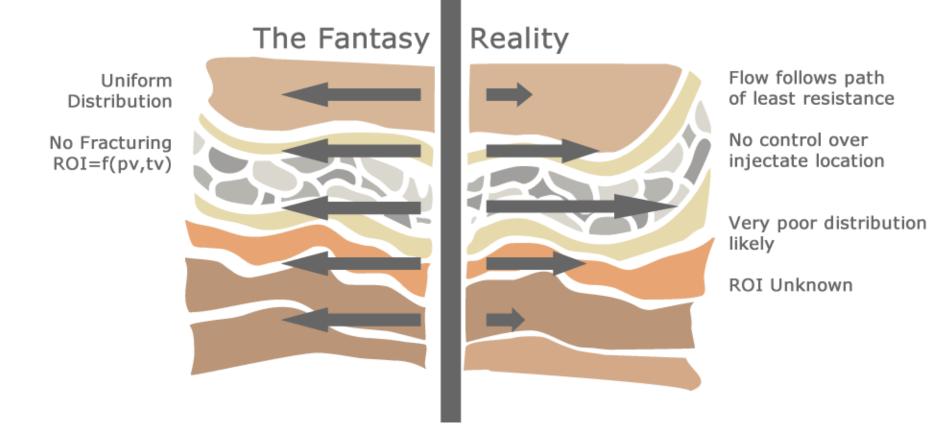


## Low Flow Signature



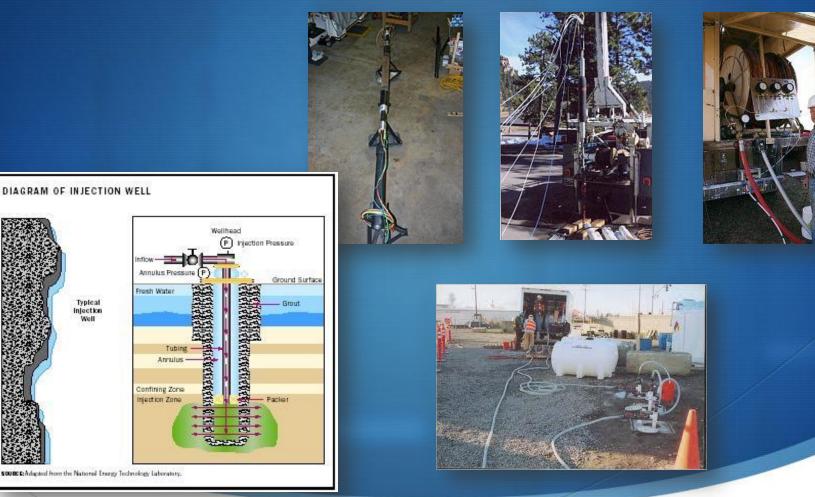
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## LF/LP Injection



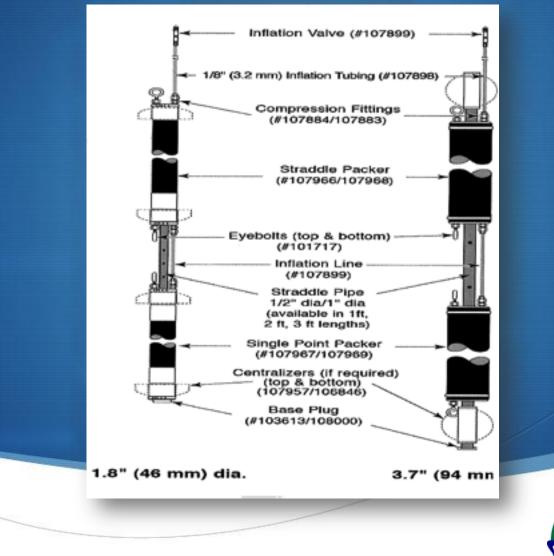


#### **Injection Wells:** Open Screen vs. Packers



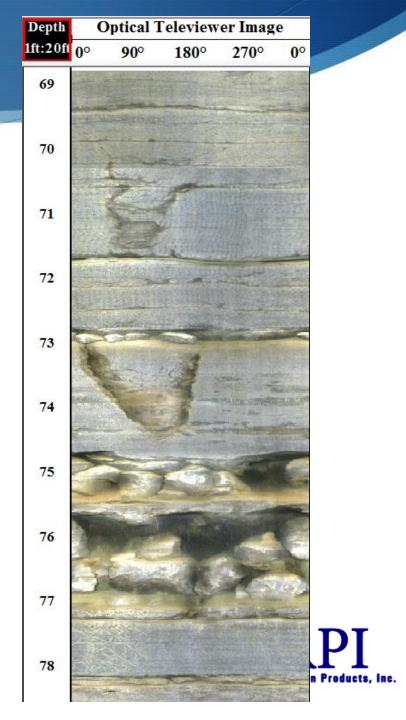


## Straddle Packer

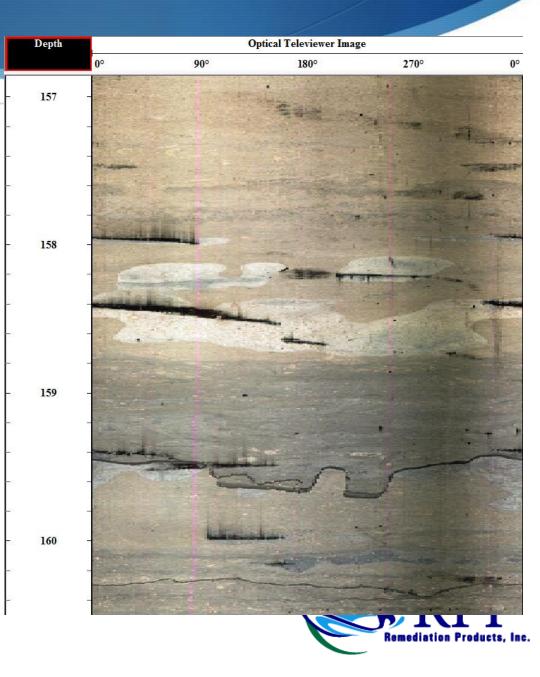




- n This optical televiewer image illustrates the condensed nature of fracture networks.
- The need for a very small packer interval with accurate depth placement is critical for precision, controlled placement of product.
- Hydrophysics proved most, if not all, fractures present carried water.
- n This is from Redstone Arsenal, a USACE site.
- n Fractured limestone.



- n This optical televiewer image naturally-occurring petroleum product oozing from discrete fractures.
- n The product is lighter than water and is observed to float upward.
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## Importance of the Injected Product

- Water Soluble Reagents
- Solid Suspensions Slurries
- Highly Reactive Agents



## Water Soluble Reagents

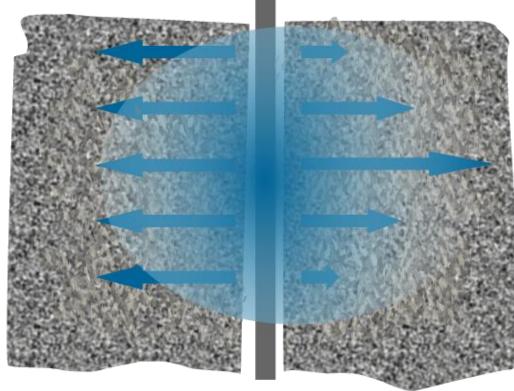
- The Most Versatile
- Compatible with Many Installation Techniques



## LF/LP Slurry Injection

#### Incompatible with Slurries

Formation Acts Like Filter Strains Out Suspended Solids Minimal ROI



Blob-like Installations

Virtually No Distribution Out From Injection Tip.

Water Bleed-off Leaving Solids Behind



## Highly Reactive Agents

- Hydrogen Peroxide/Fenton
- Activated Persulfate
- Very Short Lived



# Daylighting





## Daylighting – What are the Causes

- Loose Seal Around Injection Rod
- Worn Injection Rods
- Come up Old Bore Hole
- Seep from Monitor Well
- Intersect Pathway to Surface
- Excessive Injectate Volume



## Daylighting – Field Adjustments

- Off-set Injection Point
- Carefully Plug Old Bore Holes
- Replace Worn Injection Rods
- Cap Monitor Wells
- Reduce Injection Volume
- Alter Grid Spacing
- Revise Sequence of Installation Scatter the Injections
- Reducing the Flow Rate will probably NOT HELP



## Hydraulic Effects

- Injecting Fluid: Where does it go?
- Mobilization of Sorbed Solute
- Displacement of LNAPL
- Ways to Mitigate Potential Displacement

#### "Do injections push contamination." Common Question from Regulators and Clients



### Mobilization of Contamination

- Mounding causes a increase in hydraulic gradient
- Hydraulic push is likely minimal because total fluid volume is a small fraction of one pore volume
- Drainage results in temporal effect of short duration
- "Pressure pulses" can also transport solute, but effects are temporary and recover



## Ways to Mitigate/Monitor Potential Displacement

- Reduce slurry water volume
- The sequence order in which points are injected can be adjusted to minimize cumulative mounding effects
- Inject Areas of Low Concentration First The Work Toward Source Areas
- Use of Sentinel Wells



## Summary

- Identify High Quality Injection Contractors
- Develop Robust Conceptual Site Model
- Vertical Distribution of Contamination Critical
- Utilize High Resolution Sampling Strategies
- Ensure Injection Technique is Compatible with the Technology Selected

