

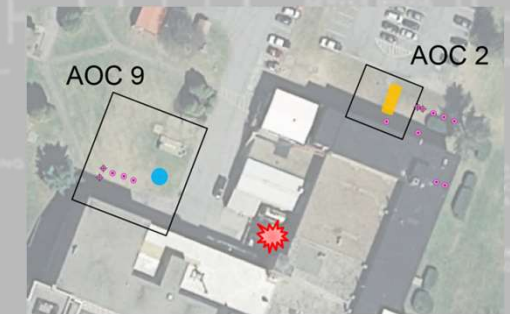
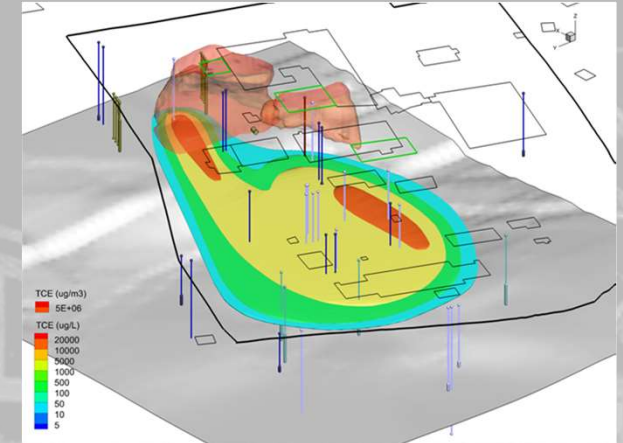
# COLD REGIONS RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING LABORATORY RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

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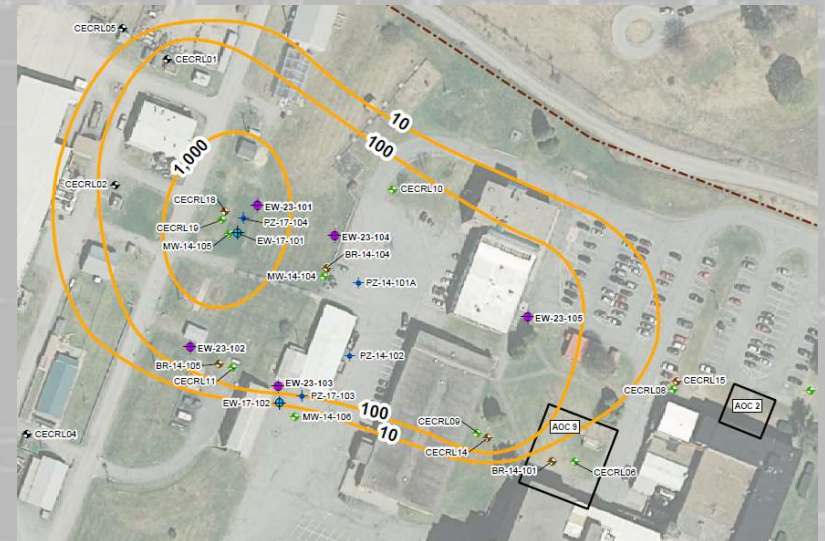


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# AGENDA

- Introductions
- Review/Approve February 2023 Meeting Minutes
- On-Site Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Investigation Status
- Connecticut River Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study Report Status
- Groundwater Management Zone Sampling
- Groundwater Treatment Plant Design Status
- Remedial Systems Update
- Upcoming Work This Quarter
- Adjourn



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# INTRODUCTIONS



## Members

- Christopher Kane, RAB Chair and USACE Project Manager
- Kristine McDevitt, Community Member
- Bree Carlson, Member Representing Dartmouth
- Roelof Versteeg, Community Member
- Chief Martin McMillan, Member Representing Town of Hanover
- Tony Daigle, Member Representing SAU 70

## Support

- Jacob Holloway, USAEC Team Lead
- Amy Rosenstein, USACE Risk Assessor
- Dan Groher, USACE Engineer
- Dr. Steve Potts, USACE Geologist
- Dr. Jennifer Apell, USACE Chemist
- Terry Harwood, ERDC-CRREL IRP Manager
- Dr. Jay Clausen, ERDC-CRREL Deputy IRP Manager
- Steve Lamb, GZA/Dartmouth
- Scott Calkin, WSP PM
- Wolfgang Calicchio, WSP Chemist
- Amy Quintin, WSP Risk Assessor
- Rod Rustad, WSP Hydrogeologist
- Jack Besse, WSP Engineer

## Regulatory Agencies

- Peter Sandin, NHDES
- Richard Spiese, VTDEC





# ON-SITE CERCLA INVESTIGATION STATUS



## Site Investigation

- Final On-Site RI completed 2018
- Interim Actions taken to reduce TCE concentrations in the environment and to protect human health
- On-site monitoring ongoing

## Next Steps:

Resolve NHDES Feasibility Study comments regarding Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs)

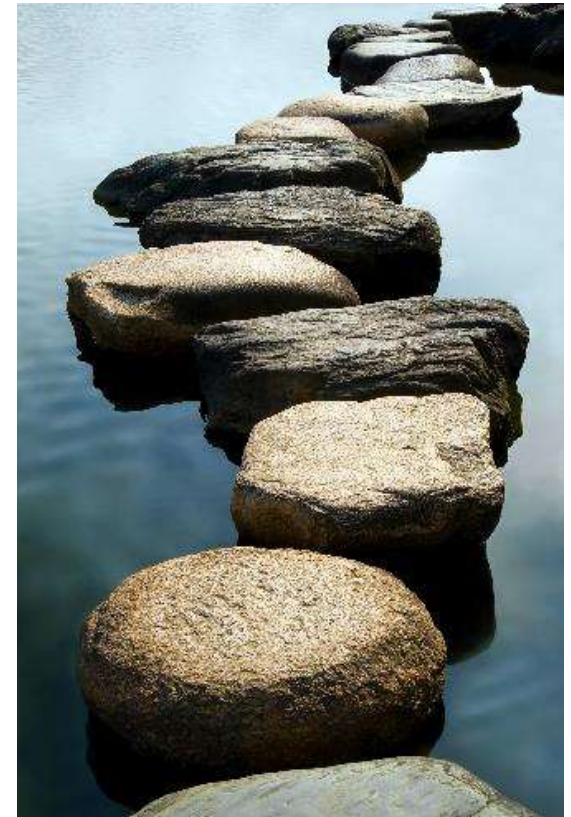
- Discussions ongoing
- NHDES is reviewing draft USACE responses
- May result in an Addendum to the Final Feasibility Study

Once resolved Proposed Plan and Decision Documents will follow thereafter

- Provides public and stakeholders an opportunity to comment on selected remedy(s) per CERCLA.
- Provides formal record and rationale for the selected remedy(s) and commits parties to the remedy(s).

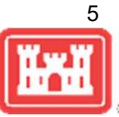
Groundwater Treatment Plant 100% Design has been tabled to keep in line with the CERCLA Process

- Design will be completed after the Decision Document is finalized.
- Well Design will be finalized this Summer





# CONNECTICUT RIVER REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT



In Draft Final Status – NHDES and VTDEC are currently reviewing the document, anticipate comments in coming months.

Document sent to RAB members in mid-July 2022 for review.

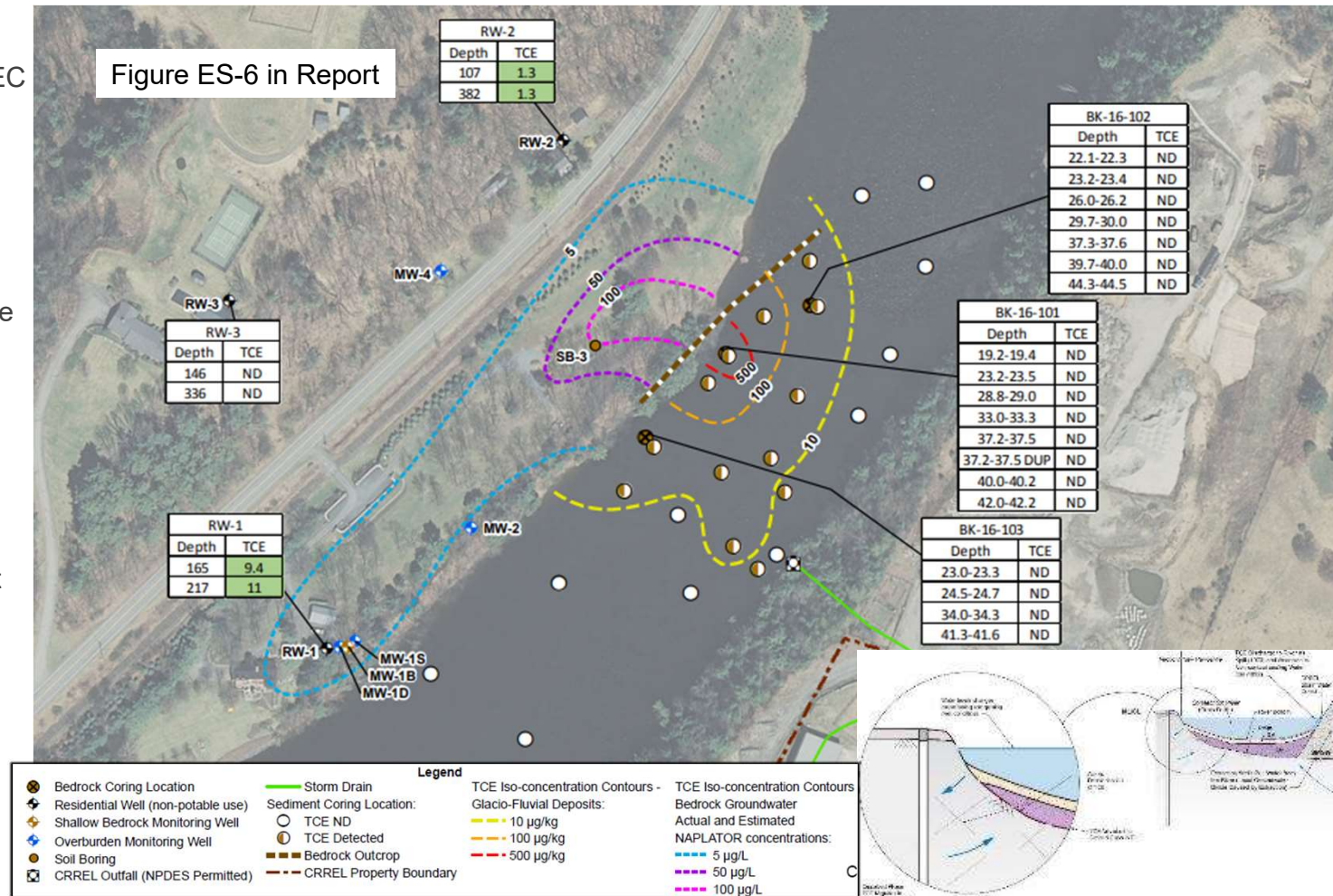
Once regulatory reviews are complete, we will review any comments or suggested edits and will finalize the document.

Results for surface water and sediment show no significant risk to ecological or human receptors.

Results for groundwater wells in Vermont (not currently in use as supplied by municipal water) show potential for hypothetical risk at one well if the groundwater were to be used for potable purposes in the future.

A Draft Feasibility Study is under Corps review.

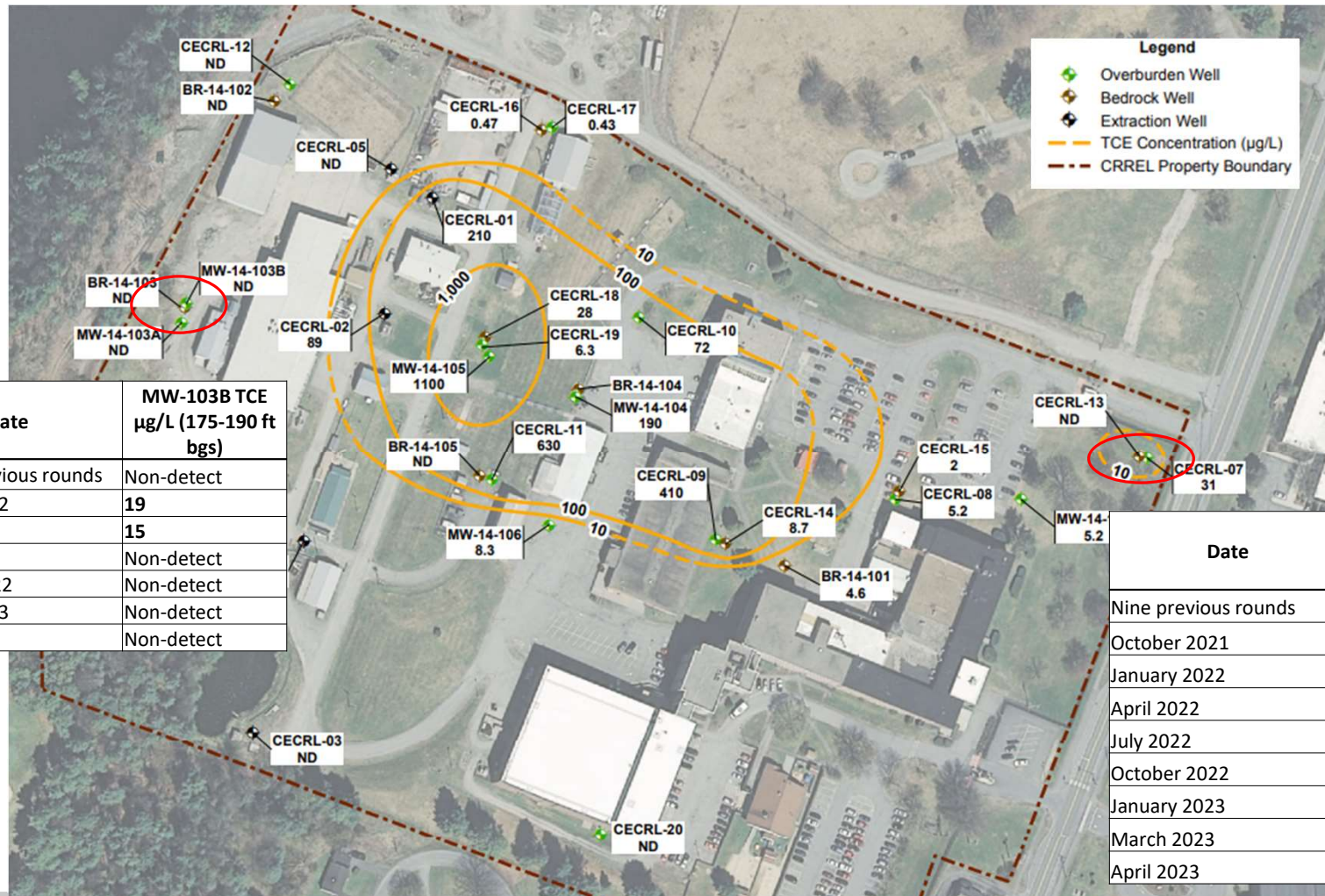
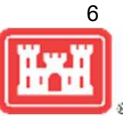
Figure ES-6 in Report







# GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ZONE SAMPLING APRIL 2023



Date	MW-103B TCE µg/L (175-190 ft bgs)
Twenty previous rounds	Non-detect
January 2022	19
April 2022	15
July 2022	Non-detect
October 2022	Non-detect
January 2023	Non-detect
April 2023	Non-detect

Date	CECRL-07 TCE µg/L (169-179 ft bgs)
Nine previous rounds	Non-detect
October 2021	0.78
January 2022	0.57
April 2022	35
July 2022	31
October 2022	1.4
January 2023	6.8
March 2023	Non-detect
April 2023	1.2



# GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ZONE EXCEEDANCES



## Boundary Well CECRL-07

- NH Ambient Groundwater Quality Standards (AGQS) limit TCE to 5 µg/L in groundwater unless within a groundwater management zone (GMZ). Federal Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) for drinking water also 5 µg/L.
- January 2023 groundwater sampling was >AGQS at 6.8 µg/L for TCE.
- March 2023 five low flow groundwater samples were collected along the well screen interval, each was Non-Detect for TCE.
- April 2023 groundwater sampling was <AGQS at 1.2 µg/L.

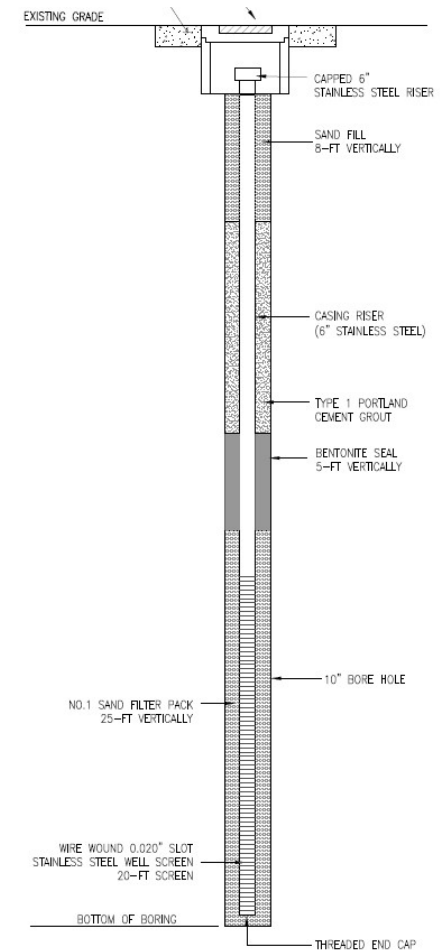
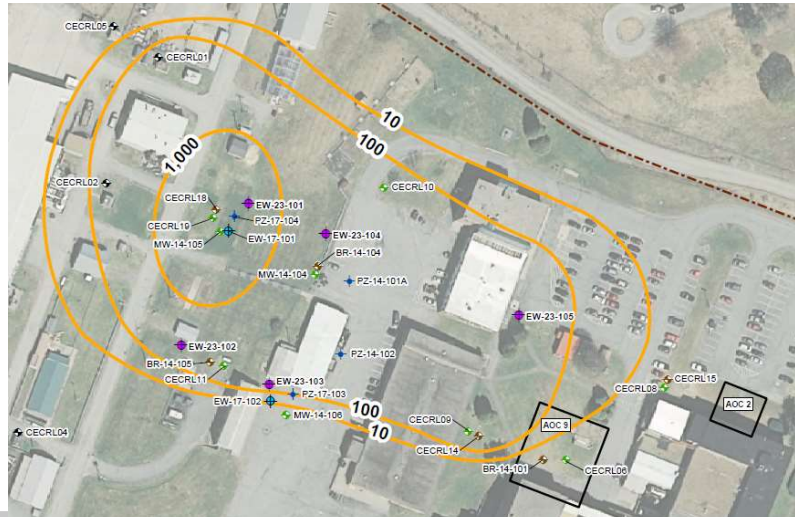






# GROUNDWATER TREATMENT PLANT DESIGN STATUS

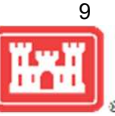
- Treatment plant design on hold pending completion of the ROD.
- Pilot extraction well design commenced January 2023, Draft Final Well Design was submitted to USACE for approval to be issued as Final in late May
- Anticipate installing and operating pilot wells to deepen understanding of aquifer characteristics and demonstrate capacity to limit migration of TCE to production wells.







# INTERIM REMEDIAL SYSTEMS UPDATE



Soil Vapor Extraction (SVE) pilot systems were shut down/decommissioned in October and November 2021.

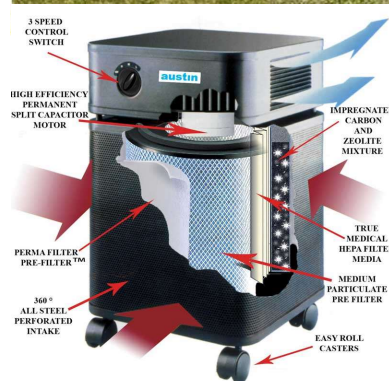
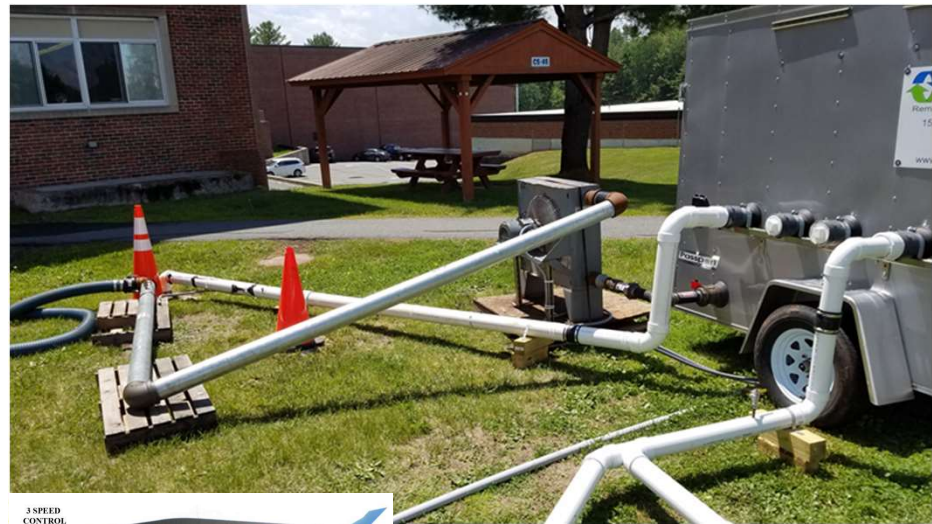
Anticipate collecting a synoptic round of samples in August 2023.

Healthmates® continue to operate.

Plenum Air Purifying Units continue to operate. Filter changeout occurred December 2022.

Sub-slab depressurization systems are currently running.

Actively monitoring indoor air quality with the HAPSITE® for protection of human health, TCE concentrations remain low.





# ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD UPDATE

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The Administrative Record is available for review at the Howe Library in Hanover.

- Digital copies of all final reports
- See the information desk and they will bring you the files

May 2023:

- 29 documents added
- 2019 up to present including:
  - Groundwater reports, groundwater permit,
  - **Final Feasibility Study – January 11, 2021**







# UPCOMING WORK

Continued HAPSITE® monitoring of the Main Lab, FERF, and LMO; as well as intermittently at other CRREL buildings.

Routine sampling of sub slab depressurization systems.

Complete pilot groundwater extraction well design

Monitor Boundary Wells

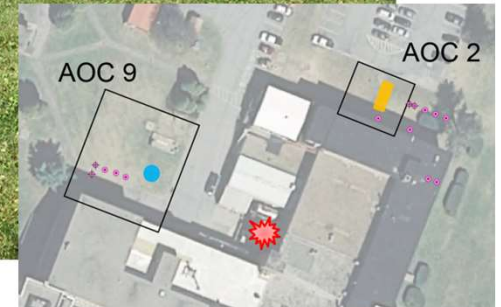
Conduct synoptic soil gas sampling in August 2023

CRREL RI/FS/Proposed Plan/Decision Document

- Resolve NHDES Feasibility Study Comments
- Draft Proposed Plan and Decision Document

Connecticut River RI/FS

- Prepare Final RI incorporating NHDES and VTDEC Comments
- Submit Draft Feasibility Study after the RI is finalized for USACE Review
- Next Steps-Draft Proposed Plan and Decision Document





## QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

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