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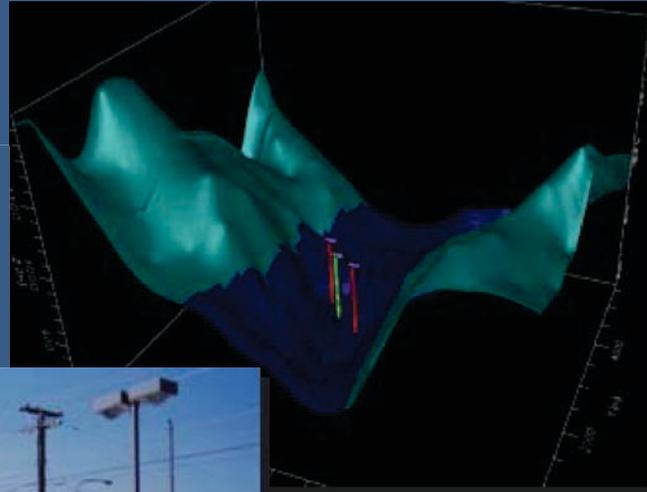


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Characterization & Assessment of LNAPL Mobility in Fractured Soils

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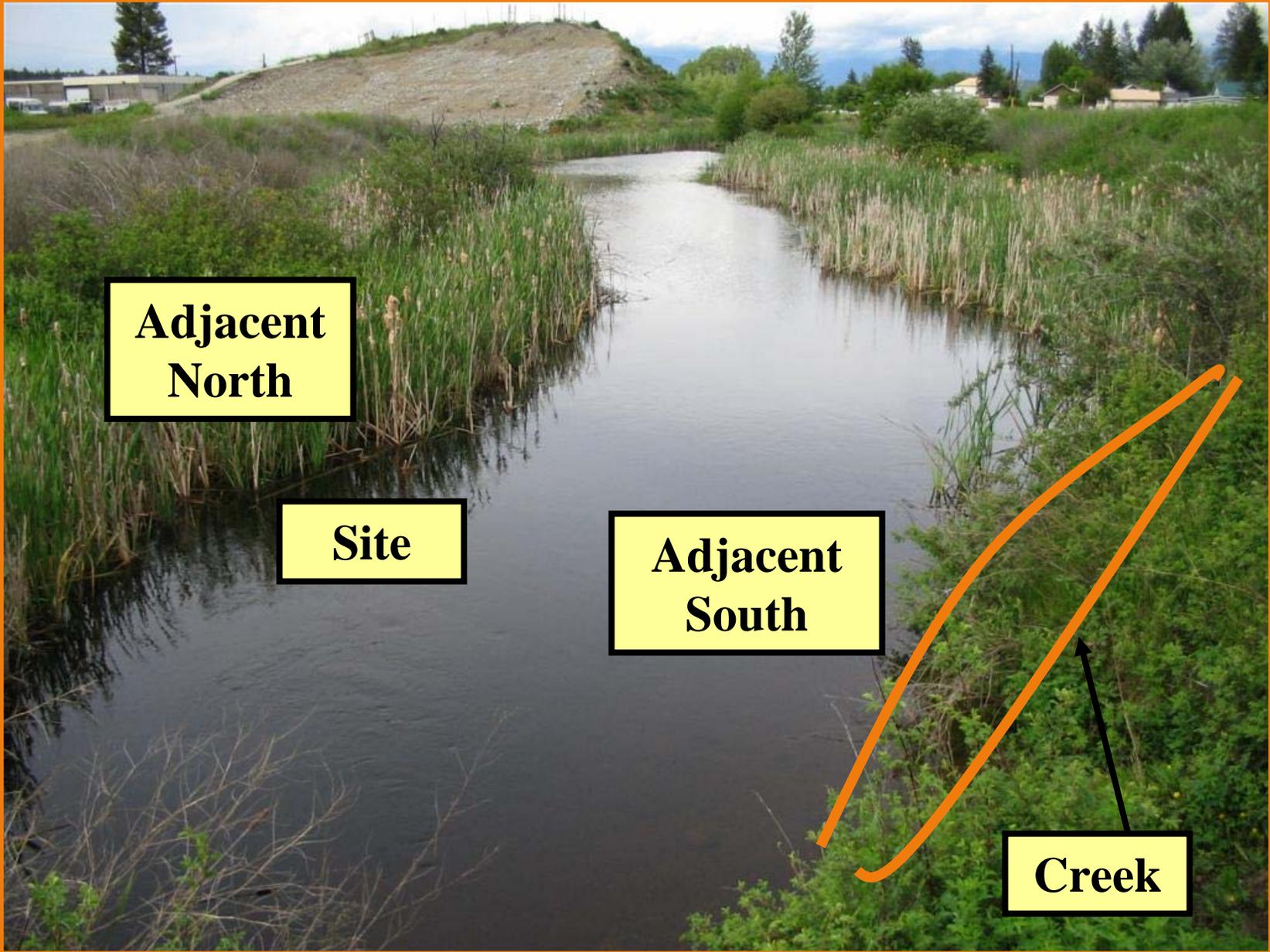
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**Adjacent
North**

Site

**Adjacent
South**

Creek

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WATER TREATMENT PLANT

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Environmental Assessments

- **Stage 1 and 2 Preliminary Site Investigations in 2000 and additional since**
- **Total of 76 monitor wells on site and off site surrounding properties**
- **On site & NW off site soil - BTEX, VPH > standards**
- **SE off site soil B, VPH > standards**
- **Groundwater – BTEX, VH_w , VPH, EPH_w , $LEPH_w$ > standards**

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Investigation Methodology

■ Objectives

- Detailed site characterization of soil and groundwater
- Develop LNAPL mobility assessment based on site characterization analysis
- Eventually develop remedial options based on site characterization analysis and LNAPL mobility assessment

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Investigation Methodology

Test Pit Location	Depth (m)	% Fines - % Sand - % Gravel	Atterberg Limits	Dry Bulk Density (ρ _b) (kg/m ³)	Water Content (%)	Porosity (-)
TP102	2.5 - 2.6	100 - 0 - 0	---	---		
TP102	2.8 - 3.3	89 - 11 - 0	---	---		
TP102	3.5 - 3.6	97 - 1 - 2	---	---		
TP101 - East side	2.0 - 2.5	100 - 0 - 0		1536	23.5	0.43
TP101 - East side	3.0 - 3.5	99 - 1 - 0	CL - Low plasticity clay	1397	31.1	0.48
TP101 - West side	3.0 - 3.5	100 - 0 - 0	---	1343	32.7	0.50
TP101 - West side	4.0 - 4.2	96 - 2 - 2	---	1468	28.0	0.46
TP102 - South side	3.0 - 3.2	100 - 0 - 0	---	1279	37.4	0.53
TP102 - South side	4.0 - 4.2	100 - 0 - 0	---	1569	29.5	0.42
Geometric Means				1428	28.9	0.47

Additional Constants:

Value:

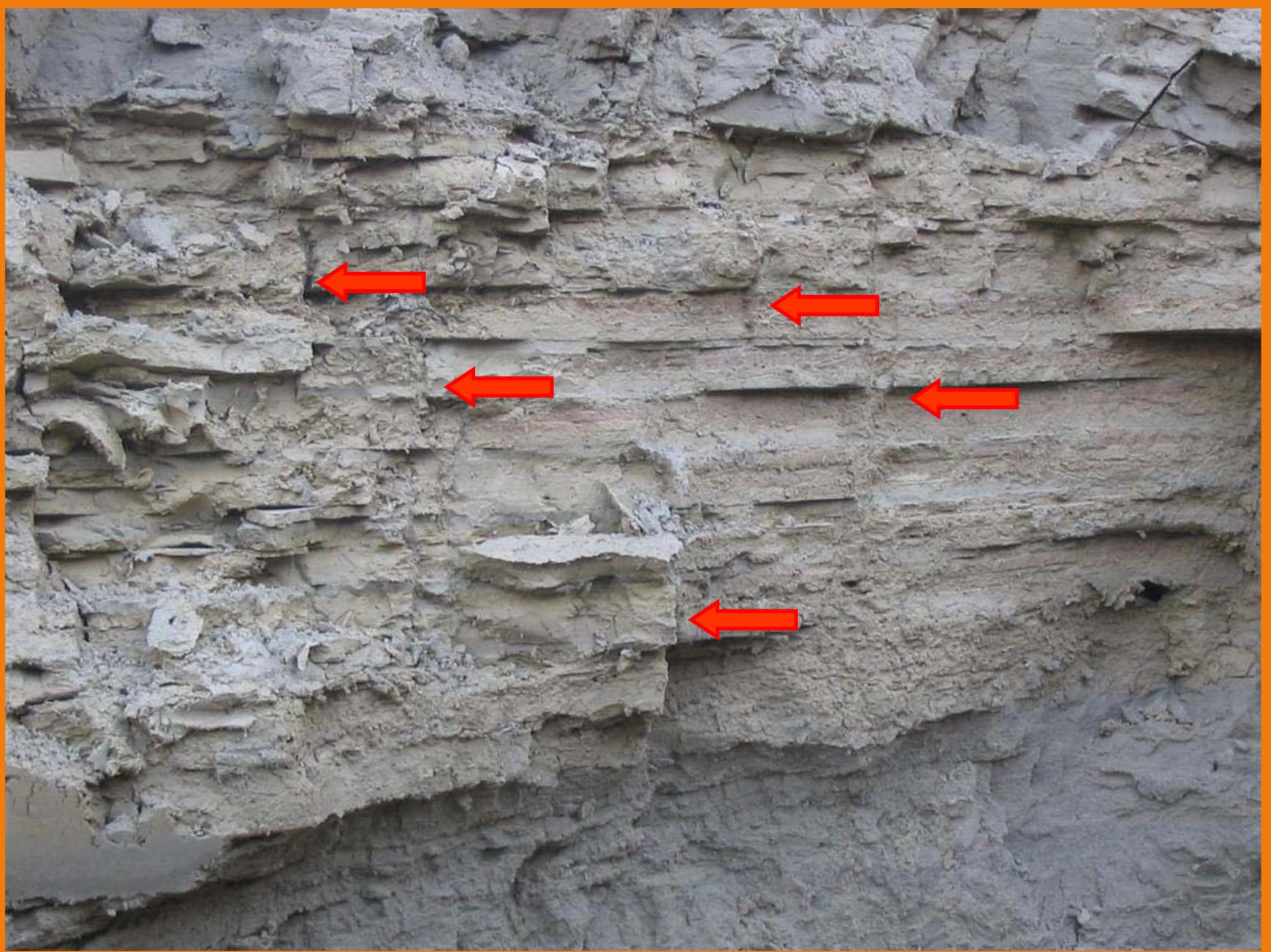
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Site Characterization

- **Stratigraphy – thin horizontal bedded clayey silt with occasional sand laminations between silt beds**
- **Soil oxidized to maximum testpit depth**
- **Variable clay content – maximum % at 2.0-3.5 m, then decreasing with depth**
- **Atterberg limits – CL – low plastic clay and even though clay content does not approach 50% even small clay content strong governing factor for key soil properties**

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Site Characterization

- Hydrogeological parameters from ongoing monitoring events
- Horizontal flow in 2 main directions
 - Southeast from site towards creek and northwest towards road-some site mounding component and utilities/infrastructure control on movement
- Vertical flow – variable downward depending on season/proximity to creek, 0-0.6 m/m, average 0.01 m/m

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TABLE 5: SUMMARY OF HYDRAULIC CONDUCTIVITY TESTING

Monitor Well	Screen Interval (mbgs)	Soil Type	Hydraulic Conductivity (m/s)	Intrinsic Permeability (m ²)
BH26S	5.5 - 6.4	Silt	1.1E-07	1.8E-14
BH26DR	8.2 - 9.1	Silt	2.6E-08	4.2E-15
BH27S	4.6 - 5.5	Sand	6.7E-07	1.1E-13
BH27D	7.3 - 8.2	Sand	2.5E-07	4.0E-14
BH32S	3.4 - 4.3	Silt	1.4E-06	2.2E-13
BH32D	6.1 - 7.0	Silt	3.6E-09	5.8E-16
BH50S	1.5 - 2.4	Silt	3.2E-07	5.1E-14
BH50D	7.3 - 7.9	Silt	2.0E-07	3.2E-14
BH52S	3.4 - 4.3	Silt	1.2E-05	1.9E-12
BH52M	6.1 - 7.0	Sand	1.1E-06	1.8E-13
BH52D	8.8 - 9.4	Sand	5.2E-07	8.3E-14
BH53D	6.1 - 6.9	Silt	4.9E-07	7.8E-14
Geometric mean for wells in upper 6 m of soil			8.3E-07	1.3E-13
Geometric mean for wells in soil below 6 m depth			1.4E-07	2.3E-14

10⁻⁷ m/s

Site Characterization

MATRIX POROSITY

TABLE 6: SUMMARY OF FRACTURE APERTURES & POROSITIES

Fracture Flow System	Fracture Spacing	Average Fracture Spacing (1/m)	Mean Hydraulic Conductivity (m/s)	Aperature Width (m)	Fracture Porosity (%)
Horizontal Fracture Flow	min	9	8.E-07	3.0E-05	0.03
	max	17	8.E-07	2.5E-05	0.04
	average	14	8.E-07	2.6E-05	0.04
Cubic Fracture Flow	min	9	8.E-07	3.8E-05	0.1
	max	31	8.E-07	2.5E-05	0.2
	average	15	8.E-07	3.2E-05	0.1

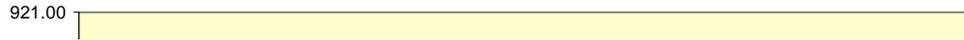
system

- equation modification for flow system dominated by horizontal bedding or cubic fractures
- mean K and field fracture spacing
- Horizontal system – 0.03-0.04%
- Cubic system – 0.1-0.2%

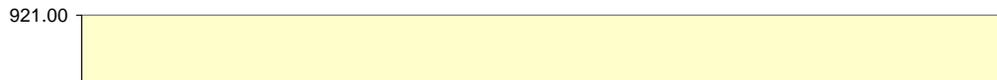
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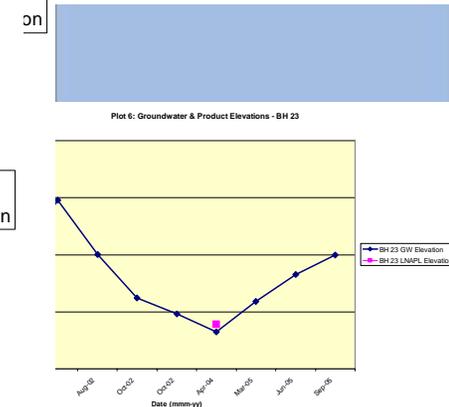
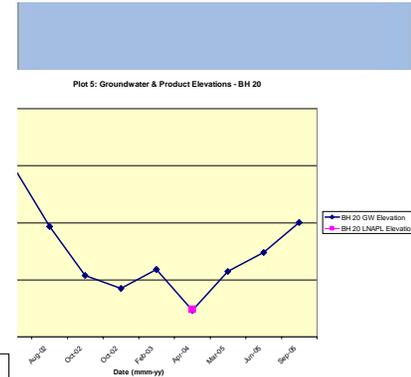
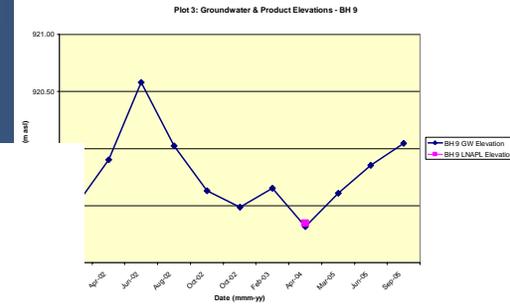
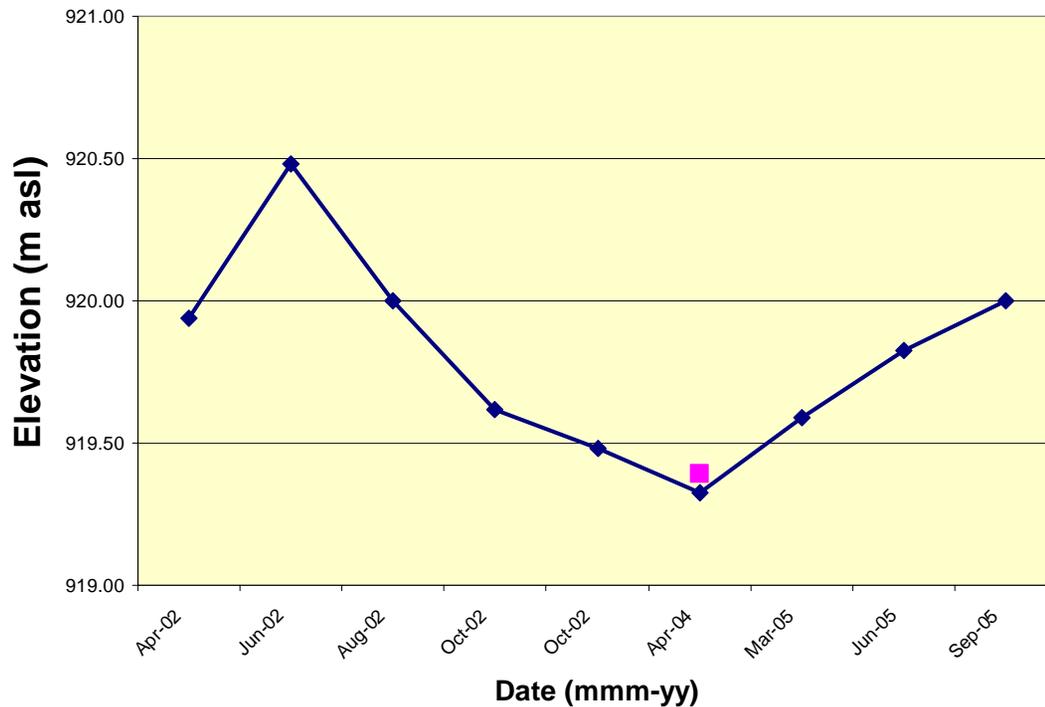
Plot 3: Groundwater & Product Elevations - BH 9



Plot 5: Groundwater & Product Elevations - BH 20



Plot 6: Groundwater & Product Elevations - BH 23



Nature & Extent of Hydrocarbon Impacts

- Residual phase – 186 soil hydrocarbon analyses
- TOTAL PETROLEUM HYDROCARBONS
- 89 % soil TPH < 100 mg/kg (165)
- 21 % soil TPH ~ 122-2225 mg/kg (21)
- Oil saturations – Maximum 0.8 %, majority <0.2 %
- Fracture flow porosity \approx Volumetric oil content (0.02-0.4 %)

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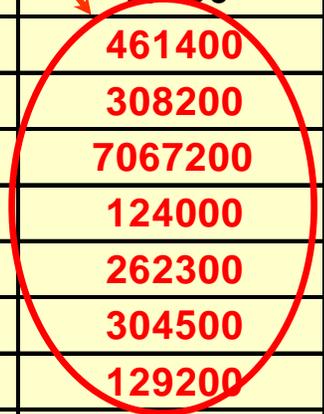
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TABLE 10: SUMMARY OF GROUNDWATER CHEMISTRY RESULTS WITH DISSOLVED TPH > 40,000 ug/L

Sample ID	Date	VHw	LEPHw	HEPHw	TPH
BH 2D	25-Aug-00	36000	17900	1000	54900
BH 2D	24-Oct-00	44000	5000	<1000	49000
BH 3	24-Oct-00	51000	4700	<1000	55700
BH 7	26-Jan-01	43000	3500	<1000	46500
BH 8	26-Jan-01	46000	3600	<1000	49600
BH 9	26-Jan-01	46000	2000	<1000	48000
BH 12	26-Jan-01	4300			129100
BH 14	26-Jan-01	5400			60000
BH 15	26-Jan-01	4900			51100
BH 23	3-Mar-05	2870			49300
BH 23	3-Mar-05	29100	19300	<1000	48400
BH 50D	6-Aug-02	421000	39400	1000	461400
BH 50M	23-Jul-02	289000	19200	<1000	308200
BH 50M	6-Aug-02	7060000	7200	<1000	7067200
BH 52M	23-Jul-02	114000	10000	<1000	124000
BH 52M	6-Aug-02	239000	22300	1000	262300
BH 52S	23-Jul-02	286000	18500	<1000	304500
BH 52S	6-Aug-02	110000	19200	<1000	129200
BH 72	30-Apr-04	41000	6380	<1000	47380

>70,000
µg/L



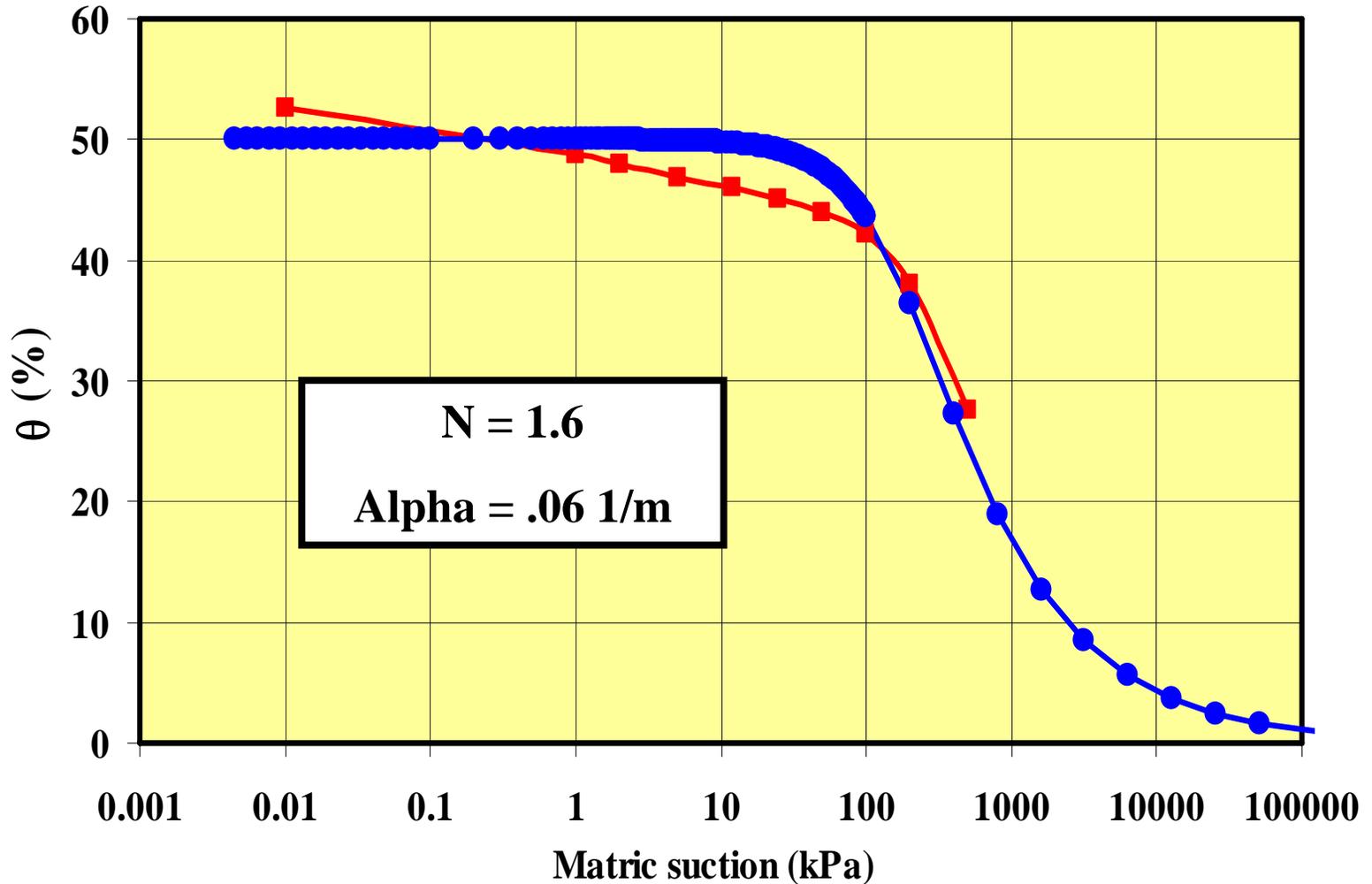
Conceptual Migration Model

TABLE 11: SUMMARY OF GROUNDWATER TRAVEL TIME CALCULATIONS

LNAPL Migration Model	Hydraulic Conductivity (m/s)	Migration Model Effective Porosity	Gradient (m/m)	Average Linear Groundwater Velocity (m/yr)	Travel Time (years)	Travel Distance (m)
Matrix Flow	8E-07	0.3	0.003	0.25	50	13
Cubic Fracture Flow	8E-07	0.002	0.003	38	50	1892
Horizontal Fracture Flow	8E-07	0.0004	0.003	189	50	9461
Cubic Fracture Flow	8E-07	0.002	0.003	38	3	121
Horizontal Fracture Flow	8E-07	0.0004	0.003	189	0.6	120

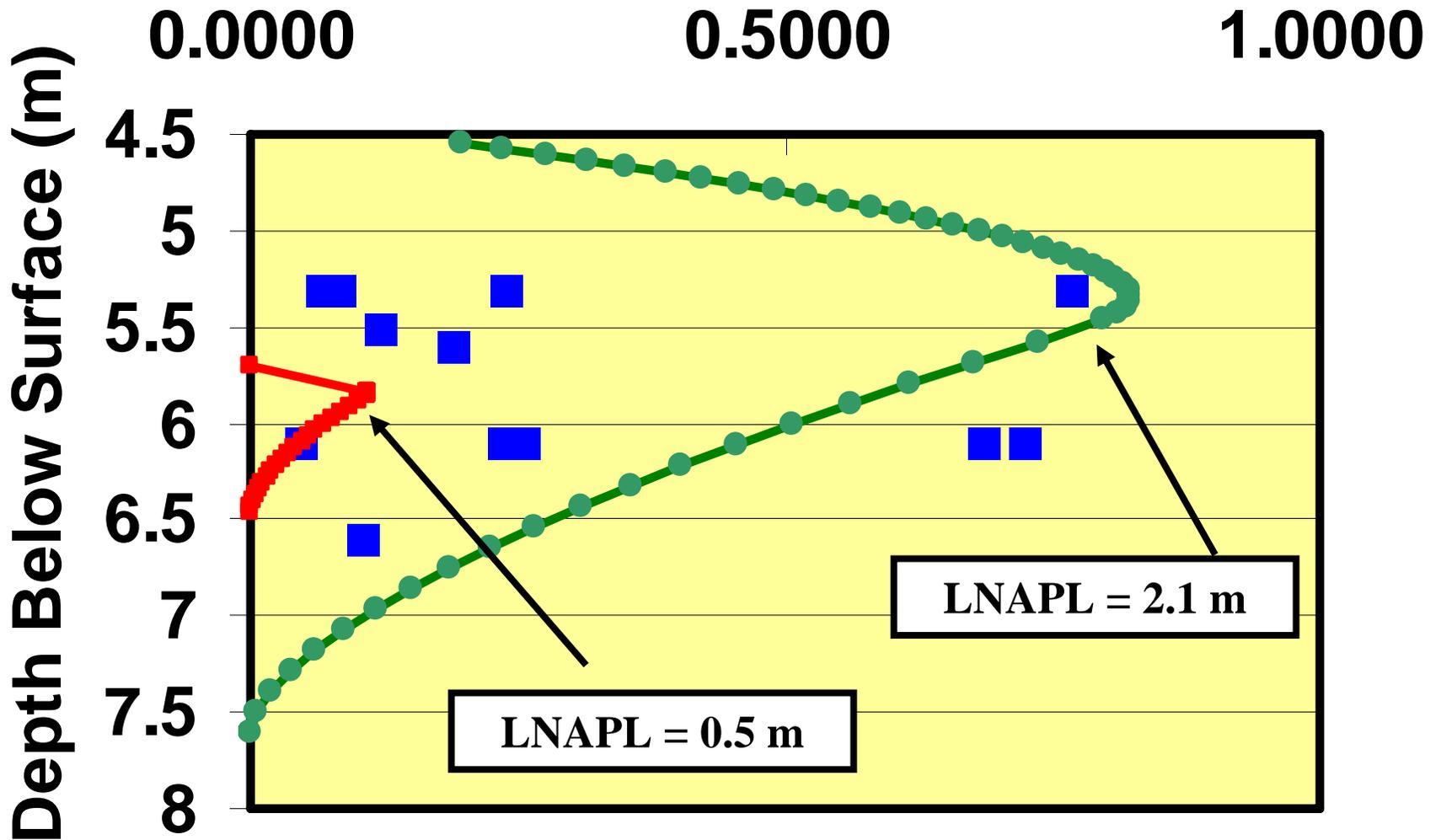
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Soil-Water Characteristic Curve for Clayey Silt Matrix



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Oil Saturations (%)



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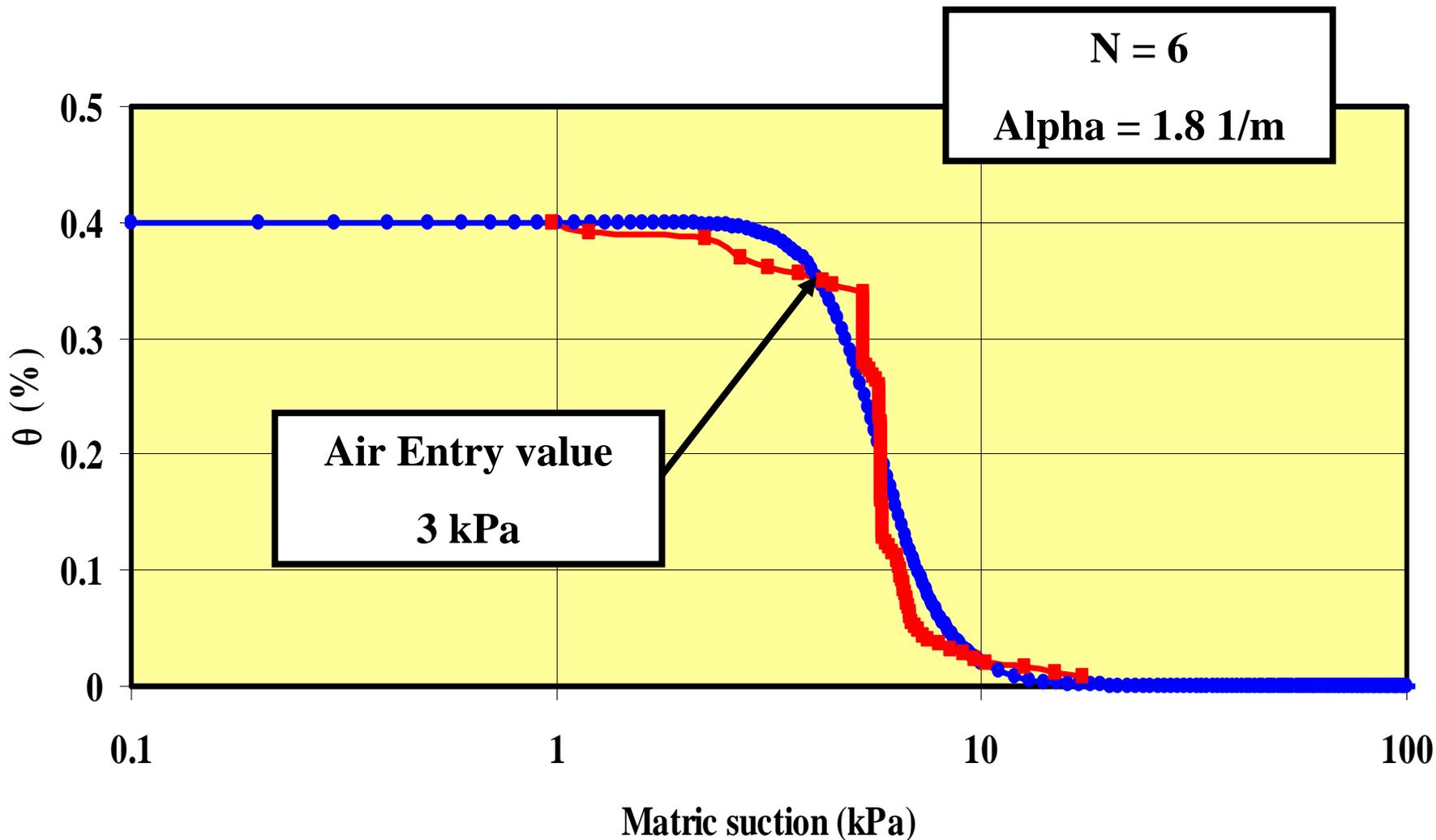
Fluid Retention in Fractured Soil

- **Dr. Mendoza (1992) derived constitutive relationships for fluid flow and migration in fractured geologic media**
- **Based on physical principles**
 - **Invasion percolation theory**
 - **Inlet accessibility & fluid trapping criteria**
- **Developed a numerical model with a log normal fracture aperture distribution and a log aperture variance of 1**
- **Results apply for any fractured soil retention curve with known geometric mean aperture**
- **Critical assumption of aperture log normal distribution**

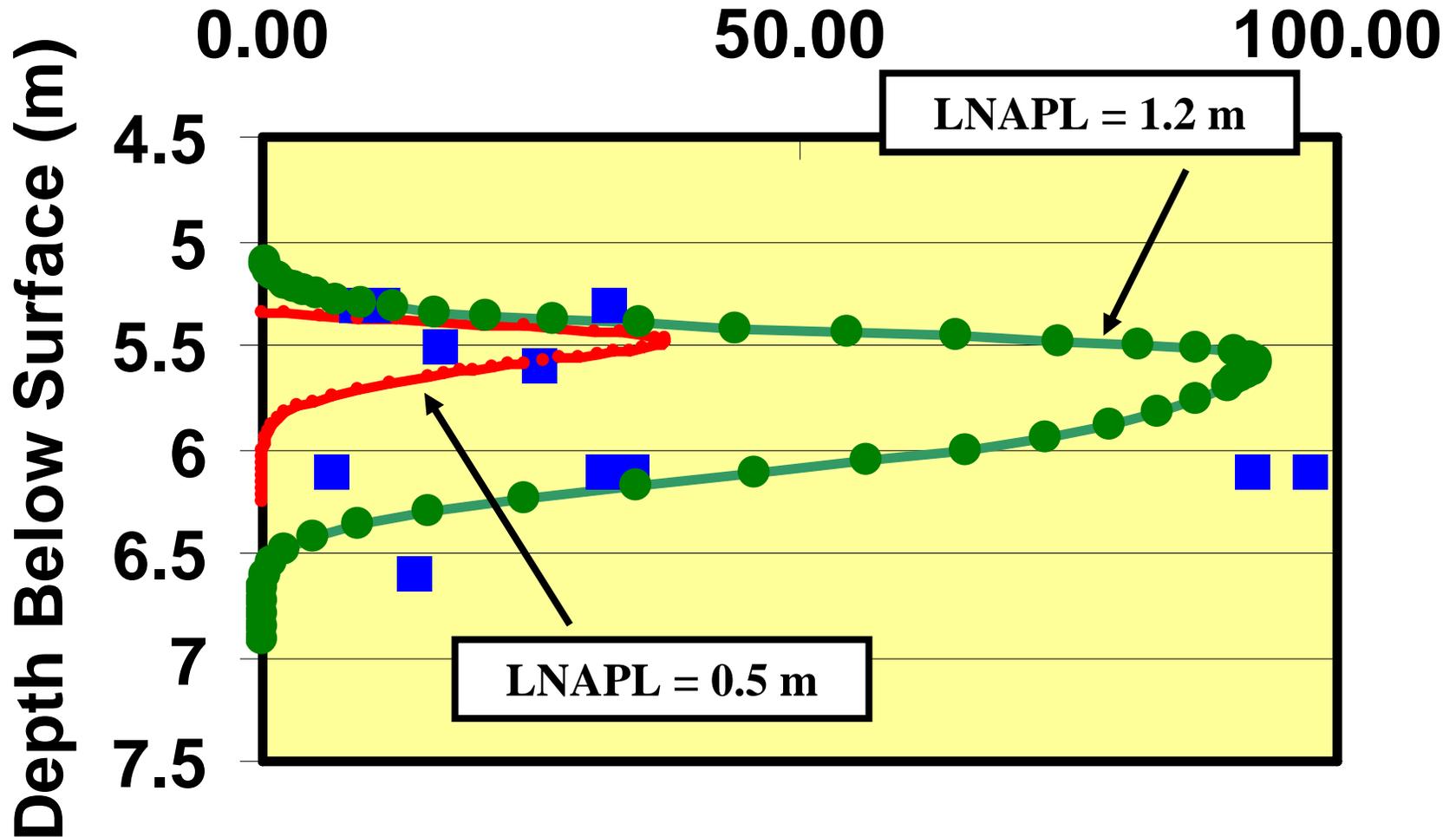
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Soil-Water Theoretical Curve for Fractured Soil



Oil Saturations (%)



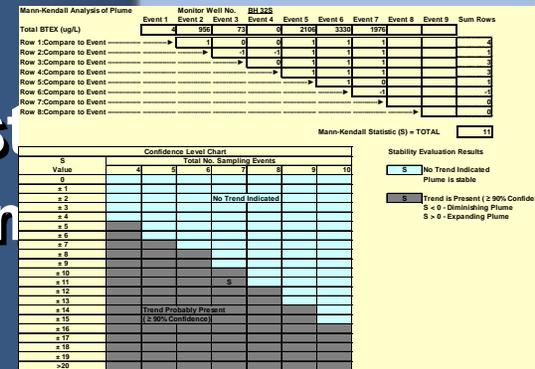
LNAPL Mobility Assessment

- LNAPL behavior/observations
 - Dissolved plume stability
 - Theoretical Mobility
- Assessment using API Tools**

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LNAPL Mobility Assessment

- 7 monitor well locations single observation – no new wells with LNAPL down gradient
- Mann-Kendall statistical trend test
 - 36 wells on and off site with minimum sampling events for analysis
 - Shallow, mid-level and deep wells
- Stability results:
 - 13 diminishing plume trend (on & off)
 - 22 stable plume trend (on & off)
 - 1 expanding plume trend (off)
- Supporting LNAPL plume stability



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LNAPL Mobility Assessment

Macro Scale Mobility

- API modeling with developed moisture retention curve, fracture porosity and gasoline properties
- $V_{LNAPL} \approx 5 \times 10^{-4}$ m/day
- $V_{ASTM \text{ de minimus}} \approx 9 \times 10^{-4}$ m/day

Micro Scale Mobility

- Local displacement head – based on air entry value (≈ 0.3 m) and LNAPL properties (Brooks - Corey)
- H calculated ≈ 0.65 m
- H site maximum observed ≈ 0.5 m

**Macro/micro scale suggest
LNAPL no longer mobile**

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Going Forward

- **Now established network allowing key monitoring points for trend observation – plume center of mass evaluation**
- **Future implications of low water table and LNAPL drainage - extended drawdown/pump tests**
- **Coring and UV light fluorescence for field LNAPL saturation verification**
- **Risk Assessment and Remediation**

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