# **Enhancement of an Industrial Landfarm Operation Using Phytotechnologies**



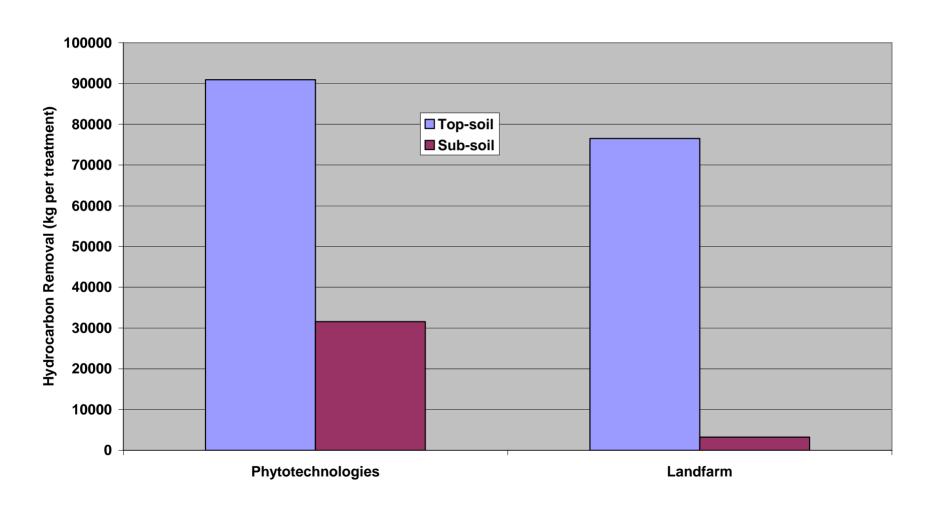
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# Phytotechnologies – It is more than just a pretty picture!



## Hydrocarbon Removal from the Landfarm and Enhanced Landfarm



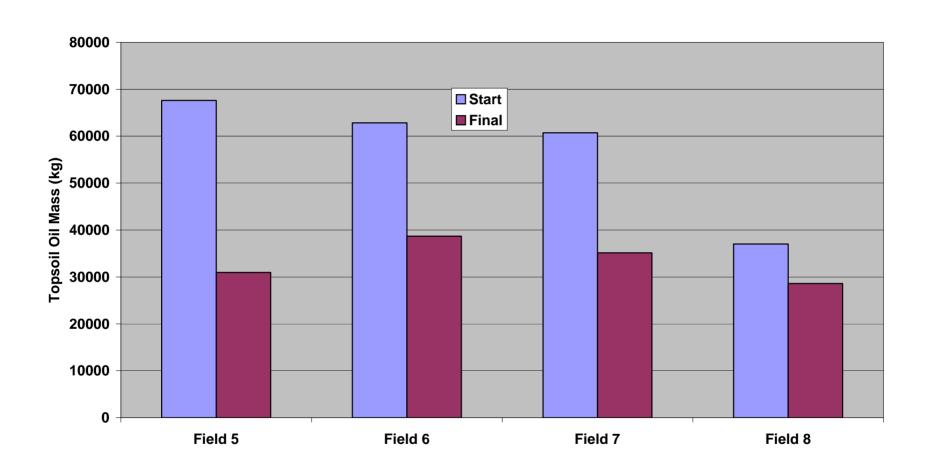
#### Source of spreadable material



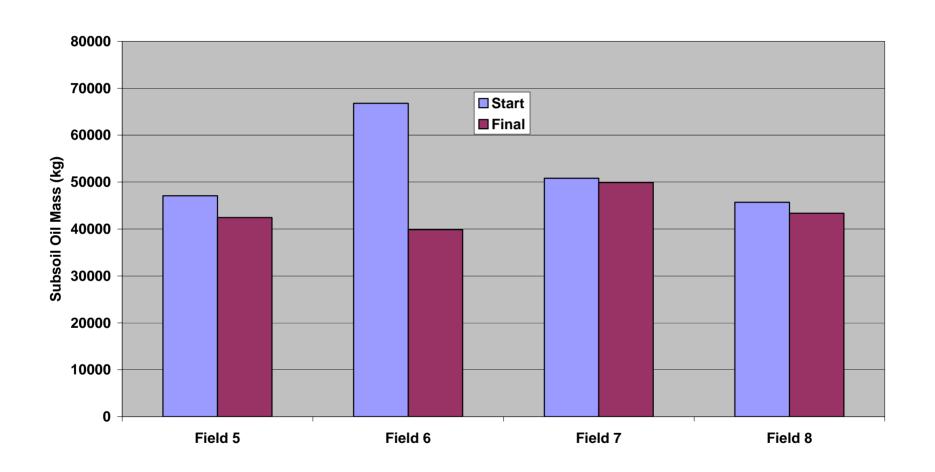
#### **Spreading bottom sludge**



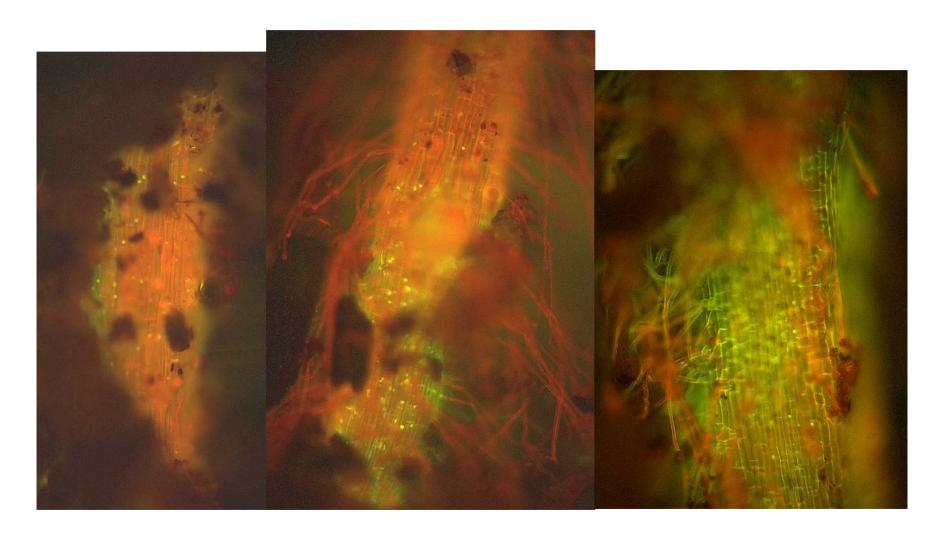
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## Hydrocarbon Removal in the Subsoil by Field



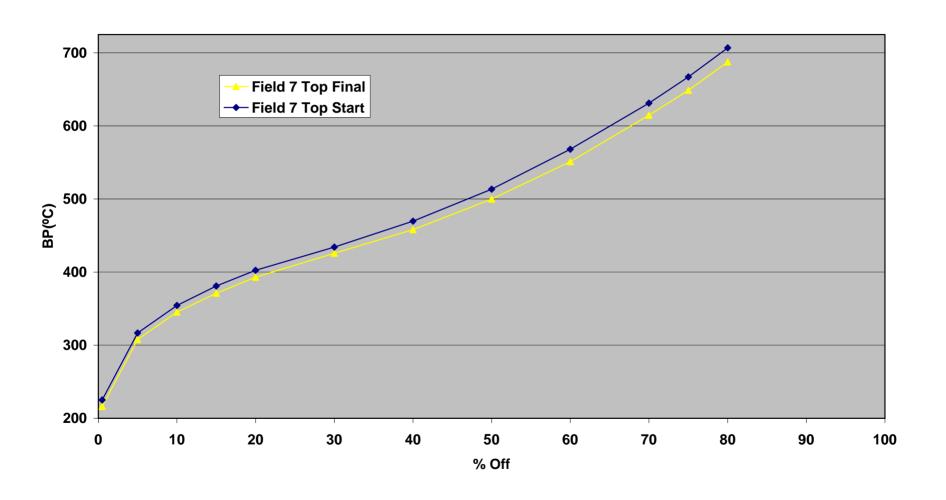
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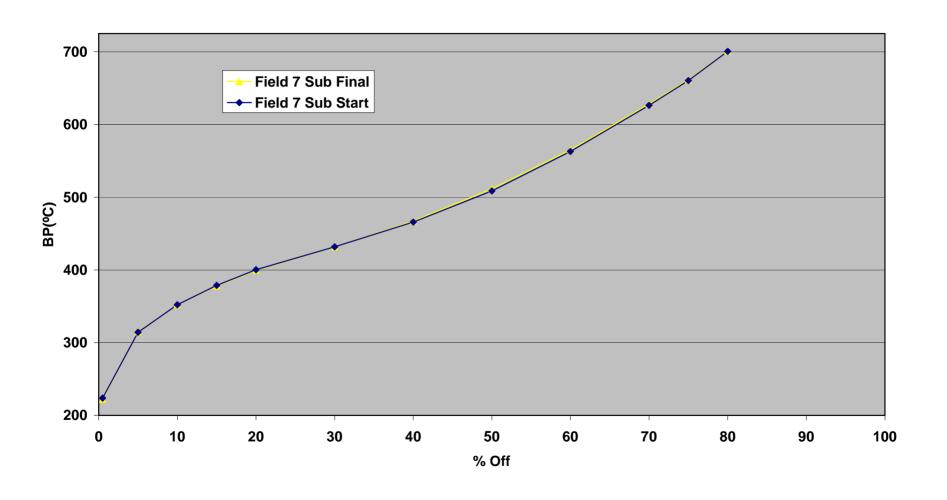
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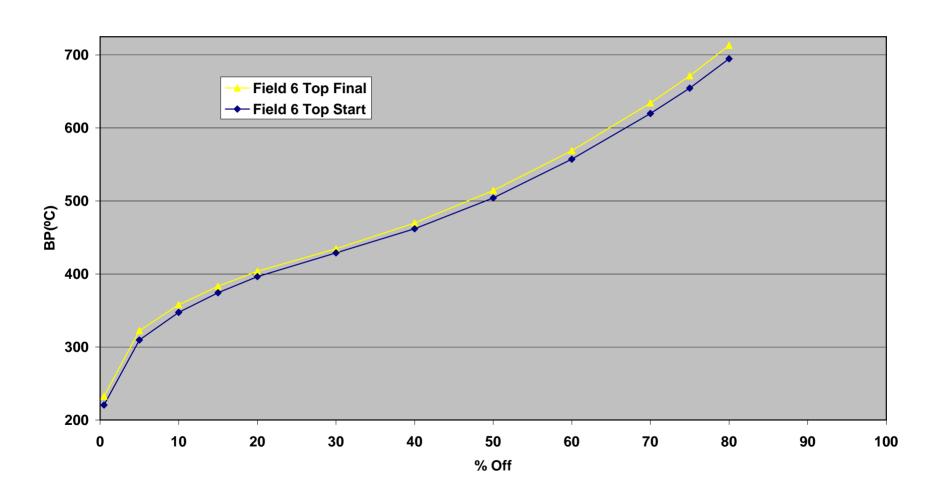
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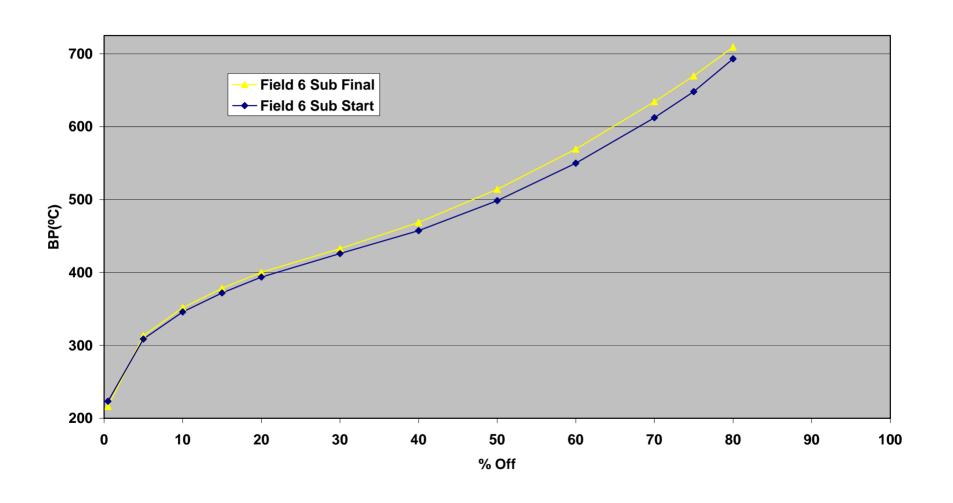
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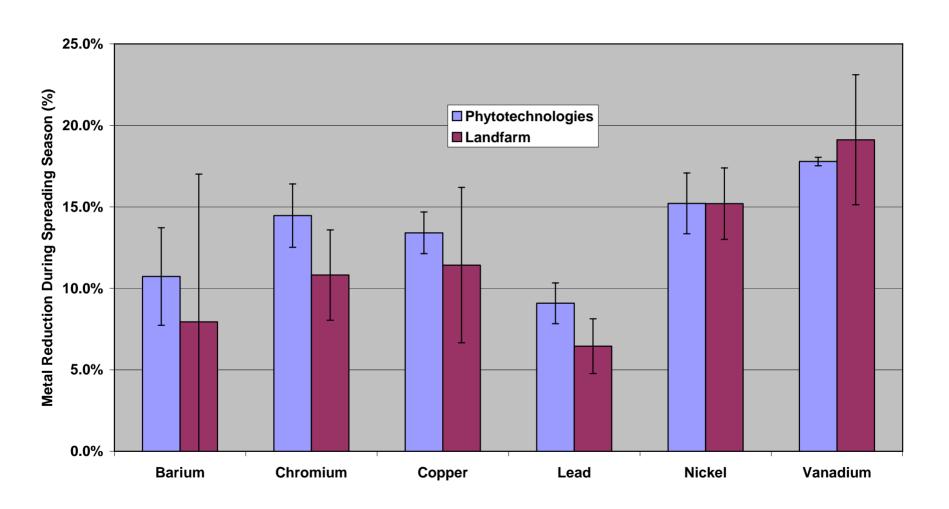
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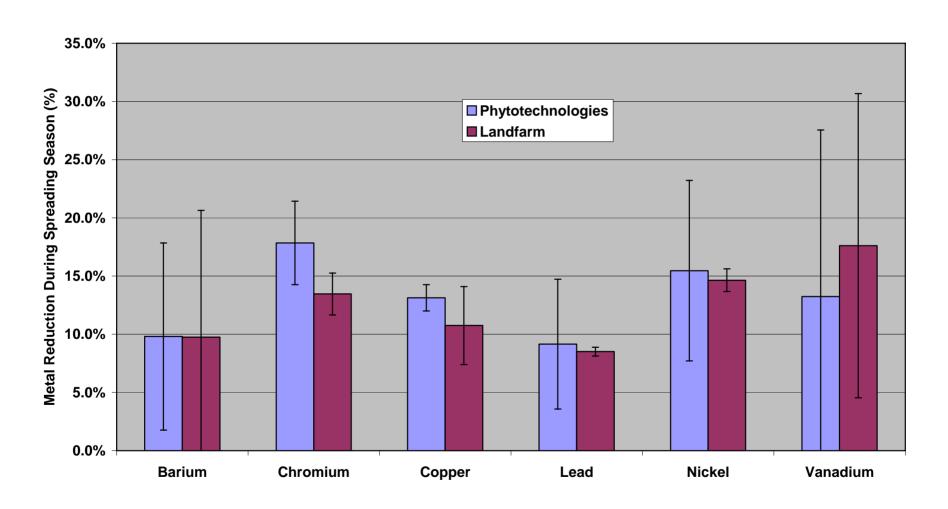
#### **Treated fields**



### Changes in Selected Metals during the Spreading Season – Topsoil



### Changes in Selected Metals during the Spreading Season – Subsoil



### **Cost Summary**

Seeding rate: 110kg/ha

Landfarm cost: 2.6¢ to 3.2¢/L of sludge spread

Seed bed preparation: \$6,100/ha

Approximate 2006 Costs

Landfarm cost:  $3,001,832 \times \$0.03 = \$90,055$ 

Seed bed preparation costs for Fields 5 and 6:

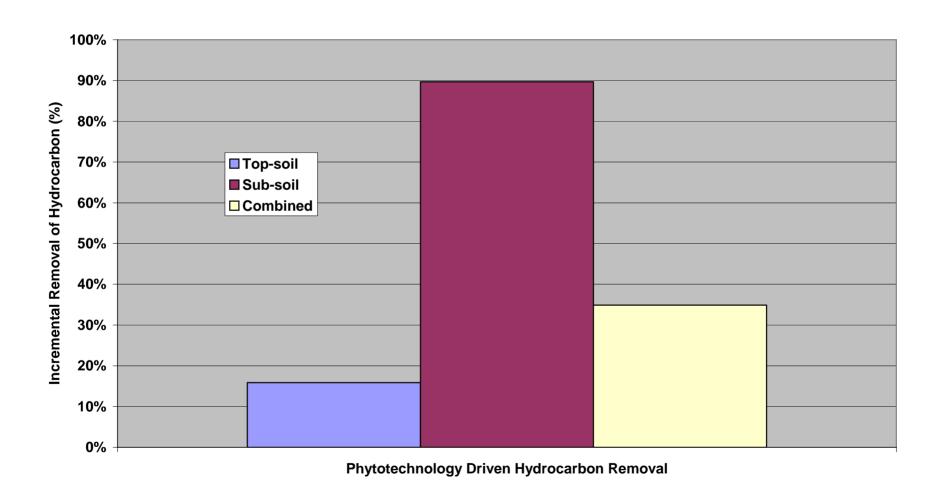
\$6,100

Incremental cost if phytotechnology carried out on all eight fields: \$22,800 (based on 3.74 ha spreadable landfarm)

#### **Conclusions**

- Incremental hydrocarbon reduction with phytotechnologies is greater than the incremental cost.
- Landfarming and phytotechnologies reduce nontargeted compounds.
- Phytotechnologies enable hydrocarbon reduction at inaccessible, to normal landfarm technology, soil depths.
- Phytotechnologies do make a pretty picture.

#### Incremental Hydrocarbon Removal in 2006



#### Phytotechnologies – It is a pretty picture!

