

Technical Memorandum

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Subject: Mitigation Measure Hazards-5

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Project: Sycamore to Penasquitos 230kV Transmission Line

This memorandum was prepared to demonstrate that SDG&E has satisfied the pre-construction requirements for Mitigation Measure (MM) Hazards-5 of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) and the Project's Mitigation Monitoring, Compliance, and Reporting Program (MMCRP) for the Sycamore to Penasquitos 230kV Transmission Line Project (Project). The full text of MM Hazards-5 is provided below for your reference.

MM Hazards-5: Soil and Groundwater Testing.

Soil samples shall be taken from representative sampling locations prior to construction excavation near any open hazardous materials site and shall be tested to determine the presence and extent of hazardous materials. The sampling and testing plan shall be prepared and conducted by an appropriate California licensed professional and sent to a California Certified laboratory. Soil and groundwater samples shall be tested at a California Certified Laboratory. A report documenting the areas proposed for sampling, and the process to be used for sampling and testing shall be submitted to the CPUC for review and approval at least 60 days before construction. Results of the laboratory testing and recommended resolutions for handling of excavation material found to exceed regulatory requirements shall be submitted to the CPUC 30 days prior to construction. In the event that soils to be excavated are found to be contaminated, the excavated soil shall be treated as hazardous materials and disposed of in compliance with state and federal regulations and SDG&E operational procedures. Effective dust suppression procedures will be used in construction areas to reduce airborne emissions of these contaminants and reduce the risk of exposure to workers and the public. Regulatory agencies for the State of California (DTSC or RWQCB) and San Diego County shall be contacted by SDG&E or its contractor to plan handling, treatment, and/or disposal options.

In compliance with MM Hazards-5, TRC reviewed the open hazardous materials release sites (Sites) listed in the FEIR to evaluate the potential need for pre-construction soil and/or groundwater testing along the Project alignment where Project excavation activities occur in close proximity to a Site. TRC also reviewed the online government databases (Envirostor and GeoTracker¹) to verify that no new open hazardous waste site cases were discovered near the Project since the FEIR was completed.

 $^1 \, See \, \underline{http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/} \, and \, \, \underline{http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/public/} \, and \, \, \underline{http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/public/} \, and \, \underline{http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/public/} \, \underline{http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/public/} \, \underline{http://geotracker.waterboards.co.gov/public/} \, \underline{http://geotracker.waterboard$

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Table 4.11-11 (FEIR at 4.11-70) identified two Sites along the Project route (see Exhibit 1, Alternative 5 Hazardous Materials Release Sites Map):

- Site No. 1 Shell Service Station located at 9840 Miramar Road, San Diego, CA 92126
- Site No. 2 Sunflower Properties, Inc. location at 9755 Distribution Avenue, San Diego, CA 92121

Each of these Sites is discussed in more detail below.

Site No. 1: Shell Service Station

Site History and Current Status

Site No. 1 is a Shell Service Station (gas station), located at 9840 Miramar Road, San Diego, CA 92126. The Project alignment is located near Site No. 1, within Miramar Road, approximately 100 feet south from the Site. Site No.1 was a leaking underground storage tank (or LUST) site with primary case management provided by the San Diego County Department of Environmental Health (DEH) and soil and groundwater contamination from gasoline (petroleum hydrocarbons). The case was opened in 2004, and has subsequently been closed as of March 25, 2016 (DEH, 2016), with no further action required. TRC notes that the FEIR was published on March 8, 2016, and therefore FEIR Table 4.11-11 still listed Site No. 1 as an open case.

Site No. 2: Sunflower Properties, Inc.

Site History and Current Status

Site No. 2 is a former chemical storage and distribution facility located at 9755 Distribution Avenue, San Diego, CA 92121. The Project alignment is located approximately 1,350 feet north and 1,300 feet west/northwest of Site No. 2, within Trade Street and Camino Santa Fe, respectively. Site No. 2 conducted operations (receiving, selling, and distribution) of dry cleaning supplies, including tetrachloroethylene or perchloroethylene (PCE), between approximately 1975 and 1990 (Gannett Fleming, 2016). Several accidental surface releases of PCE were reported during the facility's operation and chemicals of potential concern at the site include volatile organic compounds (VOCs), such as PCE, trichloroethylene (TCE), cis-1, 2-dichloroethylene (DCE), vinyl chloride, methylene chloride, chloroform, carbon tetrachloride and benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and total xylenes (BTEX). The site has been subject to remediation and site assessment beginning in approximately 1997 under the oversight of both the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC – Case No. 37590003), and the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB – Case No. 2090018 - impacts more than 40 feet below ground surface, including groundwater) (DTSC and State Water Resources Control Board [SWRCB], 2016). The DTSC continues to act as the Lead oversight agency and the site currently has operation of soil vapor extraction (SVE) and sub-slab depressurization (SSD) remediation systems used to remediate soil vapor contamination at Site No.2 property.

Site Conditions

Contamination has been detected, centering at the Site from two likely discharge (accidental surface release) points: 1) near a railway offloading area along the southern border of the Site; and 2) at a former truck loading dock area on the northern end of the Site (refer to Attachment A, Figure 2).



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Soil and groundwater contamination has been detected at the Site with the highest concentrations of PCE in soil vapor found adjacent to the train loading dock on the south side of the site structure². At Site No. 2, the depth to groundwater is approximately 167 feet below ground surface (bgs) and the groundwater flow direction is to the south/southwest (Gannett Fleming, 2016). Figures from the Second Semi-Annual 2015 Groundwater Sampling Report (Gannett Fleming, 2016) have been included as Attachment A of this Memorandum, and Figure 4 depicts current ground water flow gradient and elevation contours at Site No. 2.

Contamination Profile

PCE has been detected, centering at the Site from two likely discharge points: 1) near a railway offloading area along the southern border of the Site; and 2) at a former truck loading dock area on the northern end of the Site (refer to Attachment A, Figure 2).

Soil contamination at the Site is generally highest from 2 to 15 feet bgs, with results generally being less than 5 micrograms per kilogram ($\mu g/kg$) at depths of 25 to 40 feet bgs. Soil sampling along the northwest perimeter of the site (Borings B-13, B-05, B-06, and MW-03 - see Attachment B, Figure 7³) indicated PCE concentrations ranging from less than 1 $\mu g/kg$ to 5,800 $\mu g/kg$. The only two samples above 112 $\mu g/kg$ were taken at depths of 15 and 20 feet bgs at boring B-05 (refer to Attachment B). However, samples taken from B-05 above and below these depths were below 5 $\mu g/kg$. In addition, soil samples taken at the other sampling locations along the northwest perimeter of the site ranged from less than 5 $\mu g/kg$ to 112 $\mu g/kg$ at the 15 to 25 feet bgs depth range.

Figures 5A through 5C within Attachment A depict the 2015 groundwater concentrations of PCE, TCE, and DCE at the Site No. 2 monitoring wells. As shown on Figure 5, the groundwater contamination is centered on the Site, and the two downgradient monitoring wells (MW7 and MW9) show significantly lower concentrations of PCE than the wells located at or immediately adjacent to Site No. 2^4 . Groundwater contamination plumes are centered at the train loading rack and extend south and west, consistent with the groundwater flow direction. The extent of the groundwater plume from the train loading rack (defined as the 10 micrograms per liter [μ g/l] contour line) is less than 50 feet north, and approximately 400 feet west of the Site. The Project is located approximately 900 feet from the extent of the south and west flowing groundwater contamination plume.

Recommendations

<u>Site No. 1 (Miramar Shell):</u> Due to the updated status of Site No. 1 subsequent to the FEIR (Case closed as of March 25, 2016), Site No.1 is no longer considered an open hazardous materials site subject to the testing requirements of MM Hazards-5.

 $^{^4}$ November 2015 sample at MW6 (southwest corner of Site No. 2) had a PCE concentration of 58,000 micrograms per liter (μ g/l) whereas MW7 (500 feet downgradient from Site No. 2) had a PCE concentration of less than 1 μ g/l.



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³ Final Remedial Action Plan, 9755 Distribution Avenue (September 2002).

<u>Site No. 2 (Sunflower Properties):</u> Due to the following factors, TRC finds no reasonable potential effect on the Project from Site No. 2 and concludes that soil or groundwater sampling is not required:

- PCE groundwater contamination at Site No.2 is centered on the Site No. 2 property itself, with downgradient wells located approximately 400 to 500 feet south and southwest of the site having consistent PCE concentrations below the MCL during the past 5 years.
- Soil contamination at the site is generally less than 5 μ g/kg at depths 40 feet bgs and deeper, and is also centered at the site property with samples taken along the perimeter of the site having significantly lower concentrations of PCE that those samples taken near the release points.
- Excavation depths for the Project are located approximately 1,300 feet north of the Site No. 2 property and would generally be about 8 feet bgs, on average.
- Groundwater depth at Site No.2 is approximately 167 feet bgs.
- Project excavation depths (~ 8 feet bgs) are well above the local depth to groundwater (167 feet bgs).
- The Project alignment is at least approximately 900 feet from the documented limits of the groundwater contamination plume and approximately 1,300 feet north of the furthest point where soil contamination was recorded (see Figure 5 in Attachment A and Figure 7 in Attachment B).
- There is no indication within the record that local geology would support the shallow level transport (2-40 feet bgs) beyond the known soil and groundwater contamination plumes.

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Preparation and Certification

This Technical Memorandum was prepared in compliance with Mitigation Measure Hazazrds-5, as found within the Final Environmental Impact Report prepared by the California Public Utilities Commission for the SDG&E Sycamore to Penasquitos 230kV Transmission Line Project by Joshua Taylor and Anand Helekar, P.E. with TRC, Inc. We declare that, to the best of our professional knowledge and belief, we meet the definition of Environmental Professional as defined in 40 CFR 312.10 and that we have the specific qualifications based on education, training and experience to assess the nature, history and setting of the subject Sites and their potential relation to the Project.

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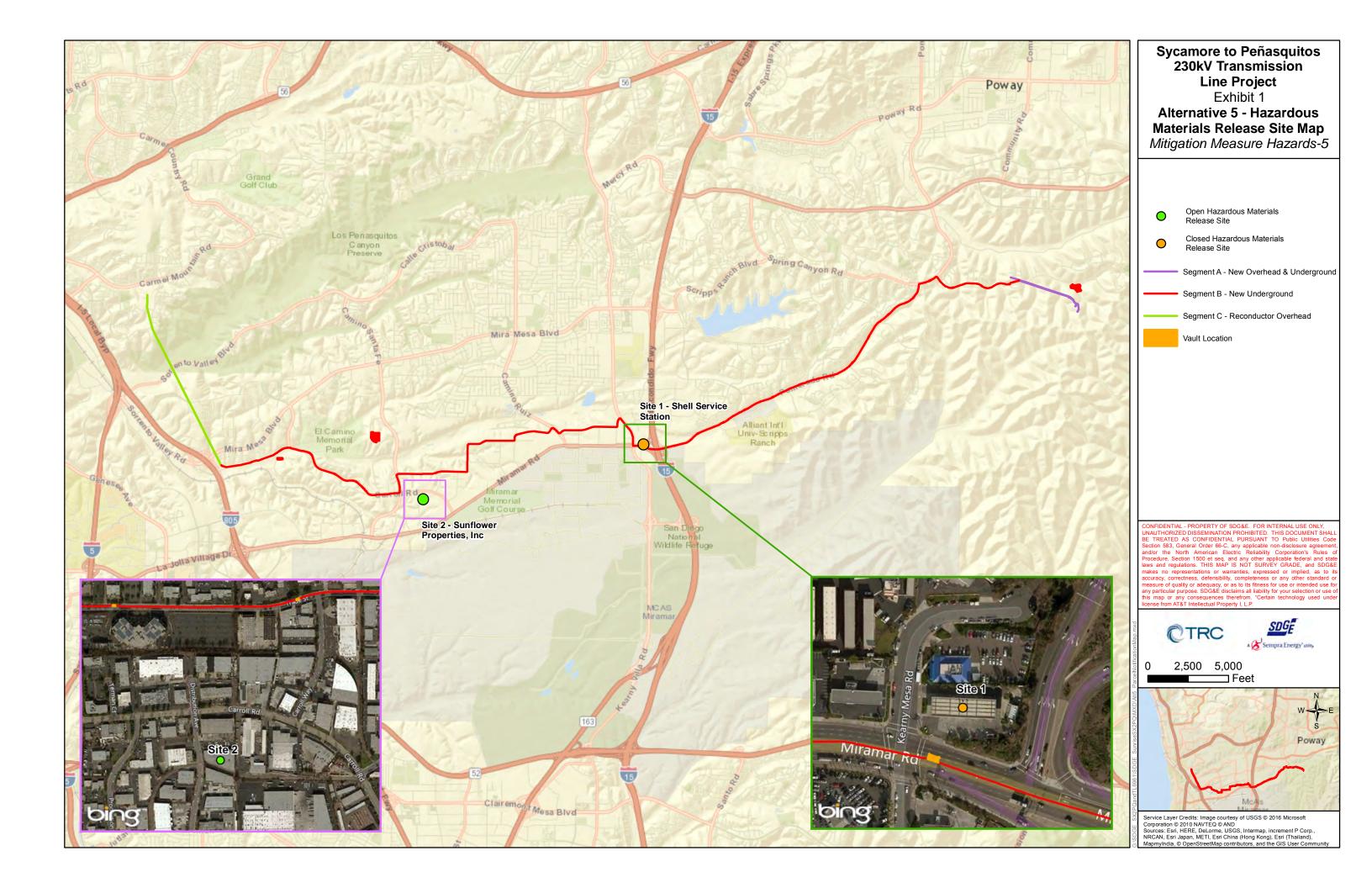
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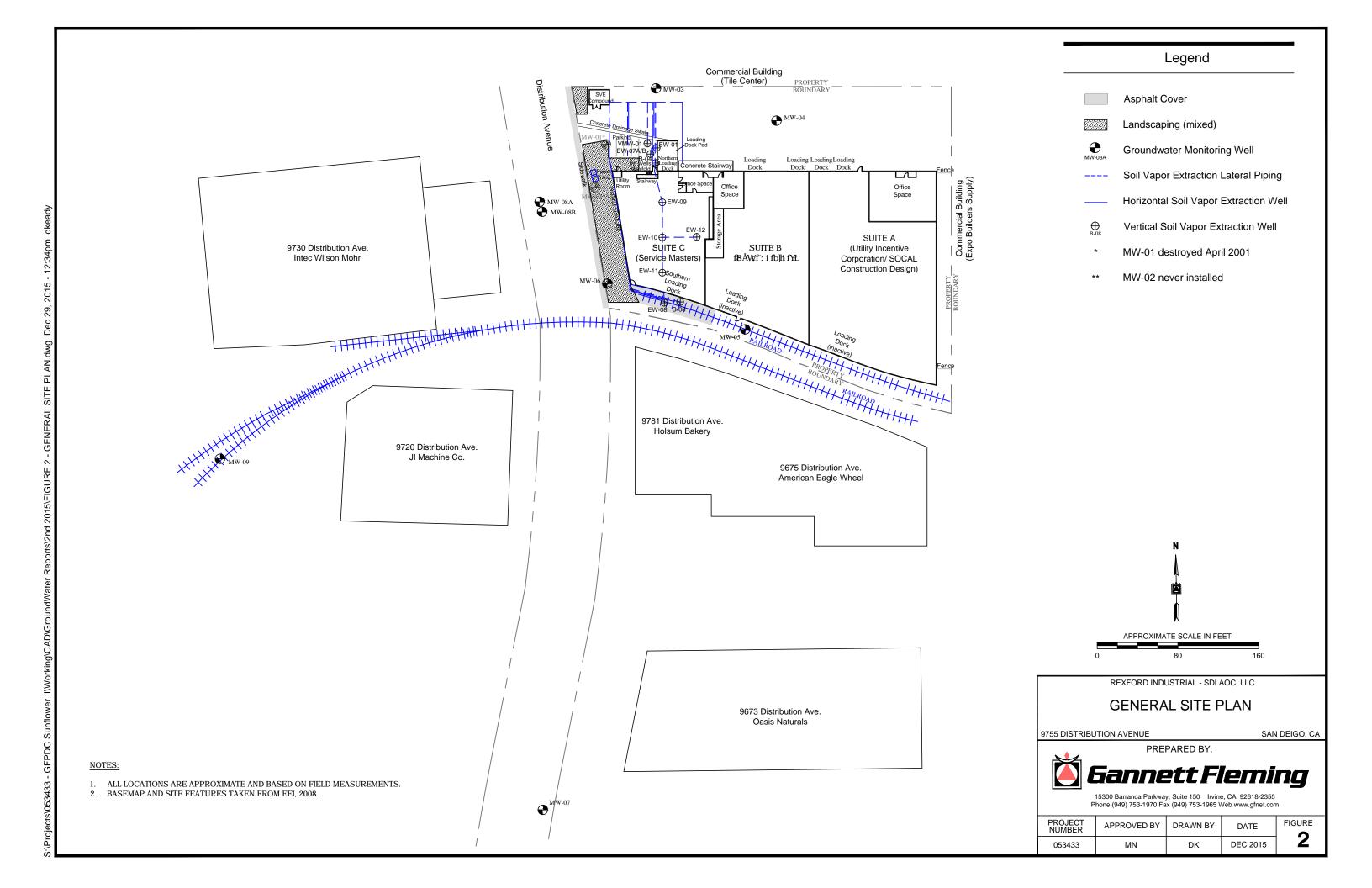
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EXHIBITS



ATTACHMENT A

Figures from the 2015 Second Semi-Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report For 9755 Distribution Avenue, San Diego, California S:\Projects\053433 - GFPDC Sunflower II\Working\CAD\Ground\Water Reports\2nd 2015\FIGURE 1 - SITE LOCATION.dwg Dec 08, 2015 - 12:11pm dkeady



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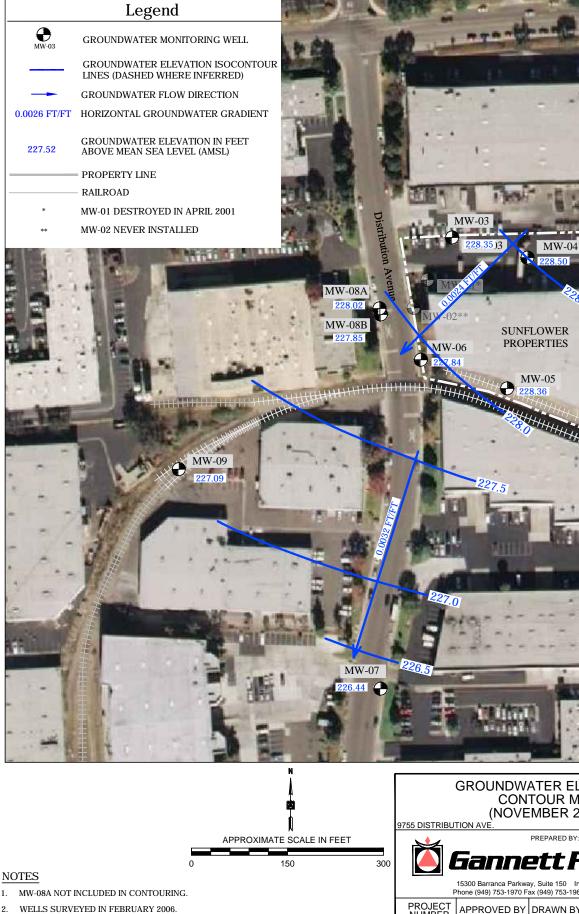
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GROUNDWATER ELEVATION CONTOUR MAP (NOVEMBER 2015)

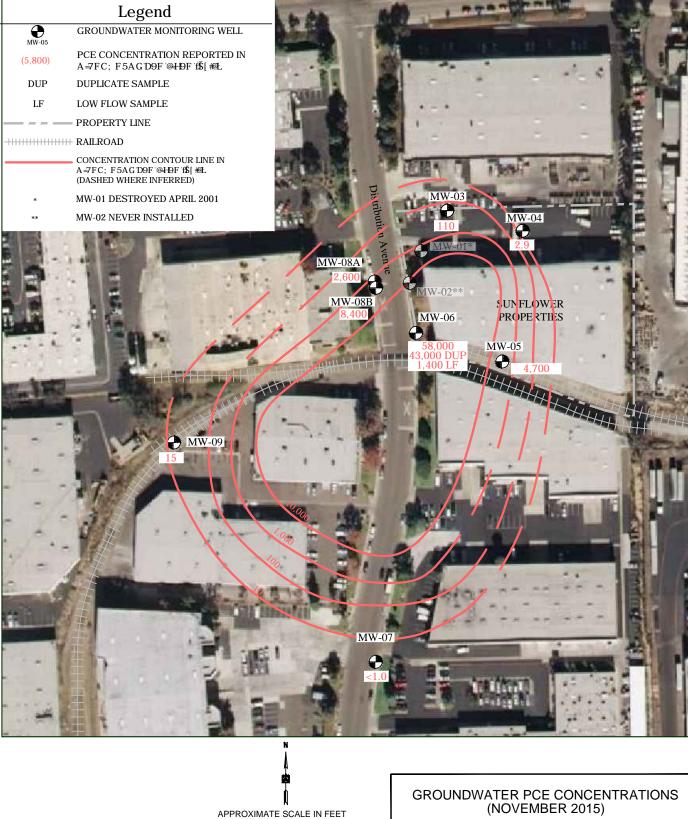
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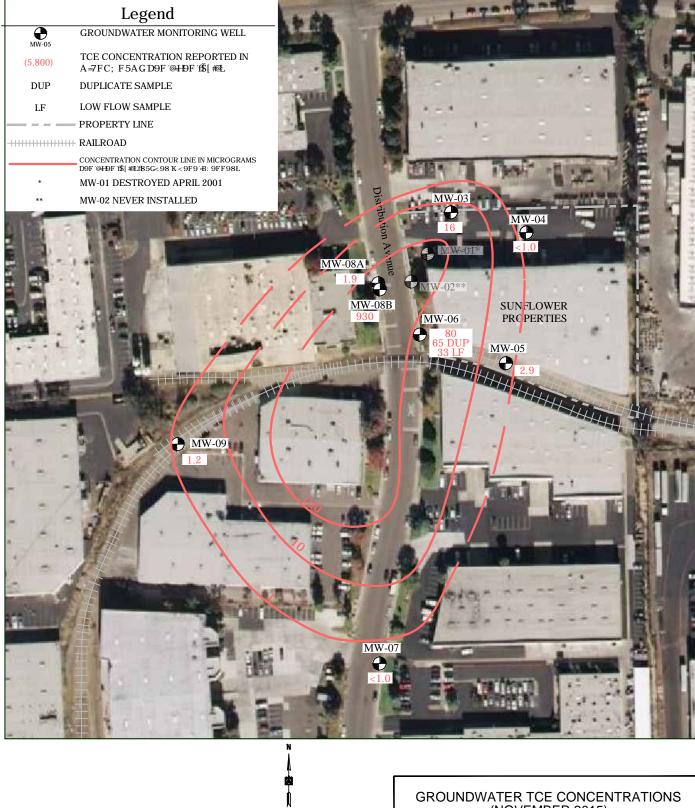
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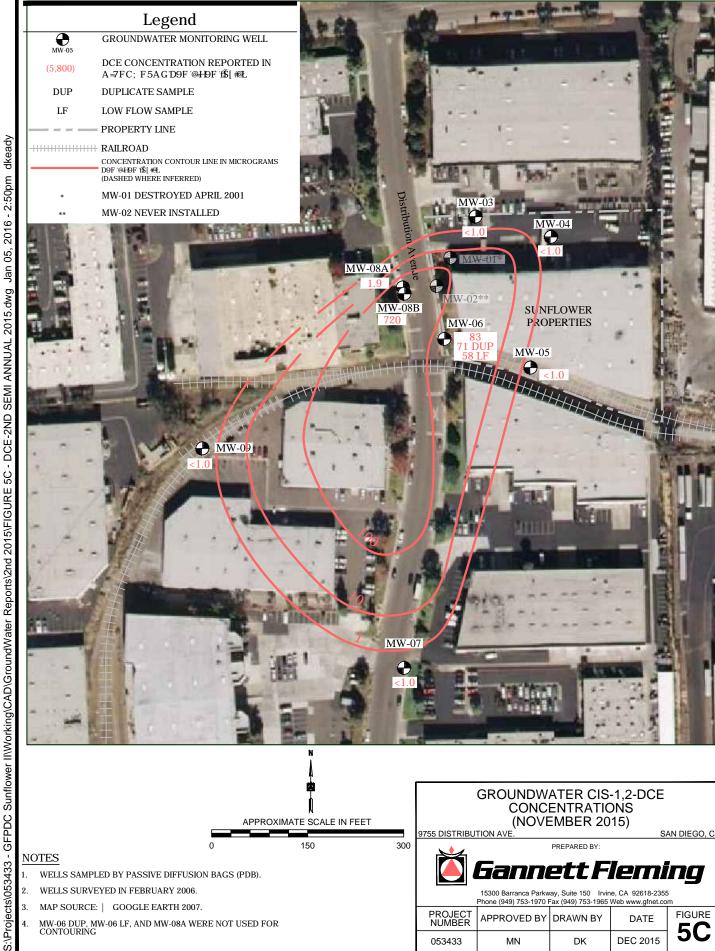
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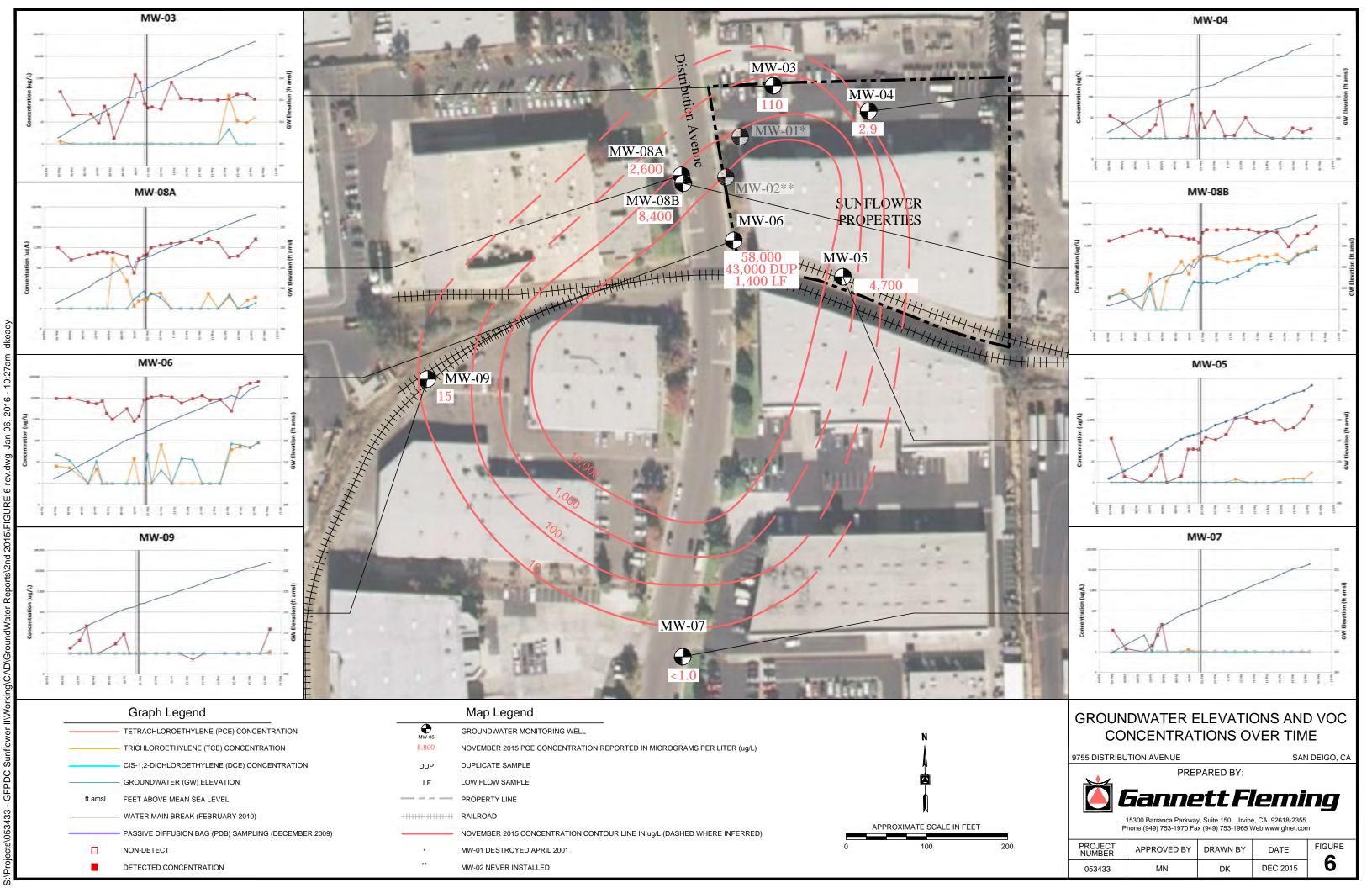
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ATTACHMENT B

Figure 7 from the 2002 Final Remedial Action Plan, 9755 Distribution Avenue, San Diego, California

