

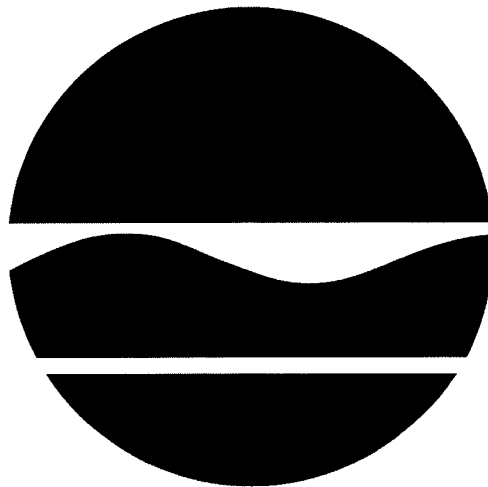
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**NORTHROP GRUMMAN AEROSPACE  
and the  
NAVAL WEAPONS INDUSTRIAL  
RESEARCH PLANT (NWIRP) SITES  
GROUNDWATER FEASIBILITY STUDY  
PROJECT REVIEW**

TOWN OF OYSTER BAY, NASSAU COUNTY  
Site No. 1-30-003<sup>7</sup> and 003A - 002

MAY, 1999



## **SITE BACKGROUND**

### **Grumman**

- \* Grumman Corporation established in the early 1930s at the Bethpage site.
- \* Naval aircraft were developed and manufactured at the site.
- \* Grumman also manufactured of naval amphibious craft and NASA satellites and space craft for NASA.
- \* From 1943-1949, Grumman disposed of their chromic acid wastes directly on the ground or in open seepage basins. In 1949, a chromic acid treatment system was put on-line at Plant 2 .
- \* Grumman consisted of numerous buildings with manufacturing processes that included machining, degreasing, chemical milling, descaling, coatings and assembly.

Some of the wastes generated by Grumman were taken to the NWIRP property for treatment or storage before being taken off site by private haulers. These wastes were primarily chlorine-solvents. There were several locations on the Grumman site where wastes were stored, treated, or disposed of. These areas were targeted for investigation during the RI/S that was conducted at the site.

In addition to the chromic acid treatment system located at Plant 2, systems for treating phenols, oils, and other organic compounds, and for recovering silver were also used at Plant 2.

TCE was stored in an above ground tank along the NE corner of Plant 2. A release of TCE from this tank or the associated piping system was discovered during the Grumman RI.

### **NWIRP**

The NWIRP facility was established in 1933. The NWIRP facility was for the research, prototyping, testing, design engineering, fabrication, and primary assembly of military aircraft.

The facilities at NWIRP include four plants, Nos. 3, 5, and 20, used for assembly and prototype testing; and No. 10, which contains a group of QC labs, two warehouse complexes, a salvage storage area, water recharge basins, an industrial wastewater treatment plant, and several smaller support buildings.

### **Site 1 - Former Drum Marshalling Area**

From the early 1950's to 1978, drums containing liquid wastes were stored on a cinder covered area over a cesspool leach field. This leach field may have been used to discharge process wastewater. In 1978, the drum storage area was moved a few yards to the south to a 100- by 100-foot concrete pad. This pad did was covered nor were there any berms around it. In 1982, the drum storage area was moved to Site 3.

Various solvents were stored at Site 1. Cadmium and cyanide wastes were at one time stored in this area.

Approximately 200 to 300 drums were stored at these locations at any given time. Reportedly, all drums of waste which were stored at these areas were taken offsite by contractors for treatment and disposal.

### **Site 2 - Recharge Basin Area**

Prior to 1984, some Plant 3 production-line rinse waters were discharged in the three on-site recharge basins. These waters were directly exposed to chemicals used in the industrial processes (rinsing of manufactured parts). Only non-contact cooling water has been discharged into these basins since 1984. The source of this non-contact cooling water has been on-site production wells.

On at least one occasion (1956), hexavalent chromium was detected in the water in the recharge basins at

concentrations in excess of allowable limits. This matter was discovered and handled by the Nassau County Department of Health.

Adjacent to and west of the recharge basins are the former sludge drying beds. Sludge from the Plant 2 Industrial Waste Treatment Plant was dewatered in these beds before being disposed of off site.

### **Site 3 - Salvage Storage Area**

The NWIRP salvage storage area is located at this site which is located to the west of Site 2. This area has been used for the storage of fixtures, tools, and metallic wastes such as aluminum and titanium scraps, since the early-1950's.

In addition to salvage storage, a 100- by 100-foot area within this site was used for the storage of drummed wastes. This area was reportedly covered with coal ash cinders. Halogenated and non-halogenated waste solvents were stored in this area from the early-1950's through 1969. The exact location of this drum storage area is not known. Since 1969, drums have been stored on a covered concrete, bermed pad.

### **Enforcement History**

\* Grumman entered into an RI/FS Consent Order with the NYSDEC for the Bethpage Facility site in 1990.

\* The United States Navy has undertaken their environmental studies pursuant to the Navy's Installation Restoration Program. The State of New York provided oversight of the work conducted by the Navy pursuant to a Memorandum of Agreement between the State and the Department of Defense.

### **Summary of the Remedial Investigations**

RI's were conducted to determine the nature and extent of the contamination risks posed by the sites.

The following tasks were included in the RI:

- Soil gas surveys were conducted in order to locate potential areas which could be sources of groundwater contamination.
- Soil samples were collected to confirm the results of the soil gas surveys and to identify source areas that could not initially be located using soil gas surveys.
- Groundwater samples were collected from monitoring wells that were installed as part of the two Remedial Investigations and by other organizations (such as the United States Geological Survey).

### **Groundwater Contamination**

The primary groundwater contaminants are chlorinated VOCs which were either used and disposed of at the sites or are biological breakdown products of chemicals used and disposed of. These compounds are:

- perchloroethene (PCE)
- trichloroethene (TCE)
- dichloroethenes (DCE)
- vinyl chloride (OXY/Hooker Ruco)
- 1,1,1-trichloroethane

In addition, metals, specifically arsenic, barium, cadmium, chromium, lead, mercury, selenium, and silver, were detected in groundwater samples that were collected at the sites. However, only arsenic, cadmium, and chromium were detected at concentrations greater than the corresponding standards, and only in a small number of on-site monitoring wells.

### **Extent of Groundwater Contamination**

By current estimates, the groundwater plumes emanating from the three sites total 2,000 acres in area and are over 500 feet deep in places.

### **On-Site Groundwater Plume**

- \* The highest concentrations of VOCs in groundwater were detected in on-site wells.
- \* The most contaminated on-site well was HN-24I with TCE at 58,000 ug/l.
- \* High concentrations at 1,000 ug/l have been detected in some of Grumman and the Navy supply wells.
- \* High concentrations of VOCs have been detected at GP-1, and a stripper was installed in 1989 to treat the water that pumped from that well.

### **Off-Site Groundwater Plume**

- \* The plume(s) emanating from the sites have impacted or threaten three public water supplies operated by the Bethpage Water District. As a result, nine (9) outpost or sentry wells were installed upgradient of the water supplies. **These wells have been sampled on a quarterly basis since March 1995.**

There are treatment systems in place at each of the three impacted or threatened water supplies.

### **Development of a Computer Groundwater Model**

A groundwater computer model was developed for developing and evaluating remedial alternatives for addressing the groundwater contamination. The study area that is encompassed in the model is 24.1 square miles. The model simulates groundwater flow throughout the entire thickness of the Upper Glacial and Magothy aquifers.

### **Interim Remedial Measures**

Interim remedial measures (IRMs) are conducted at sites when a source of contamination or exposure pathway can be effectively addressed before the completion of the RI/FS. Two IRMs have been implemented as part of the groundwater feasibility study.

#### **1. Protection of the Bethpage Water District Supply Wells**

Treatment systems have been installed at the three impacted or threatened public supply wells operated by the Bethpage Water District (BWD). BWD Plants 4 and 6 were funded by Grumman and BWD Plant 5 was funded by the U.S. Navy as specified in the May 1995 Record of Decision for the NWIRP-Bethpage site.

#### **2. On-Site Containment IRM: GP-1, ONCT-1, ONCT-2, and ONCT-3**

- \* The groundwater IRM is containment of the plume still below the sites.
- \* The groundwater IRM system went on-line full time in July, 1998.
- \* The IRM consists of four extraction wells; one existing and three that were installed in 1996-97.
- \* The bulk of the contaminant removal is predicted to occur in wells ONCT-1 and GP-1 with lesser amounts of contaminants extracted from wells ONCT-2 and ONCT-3.
- \* The combined pumping rate for GP-1, ONCT-1, ONCT-2, and ONCT-3 is 3375 gpm.

## **RECORD OF DECISION FOR SITE SOILS**

A Record of Decision for the Northrop Grumman and NWIRP Sites was executed on July 5, 1995. The selected remedies for addressing the contamination in the unsaturated zones of site soils., These are source control remedies for the were outline in the Record of Decision.

### **GROUNDWATER FS**

**Alternative 1:** Continuation of Existing Treatment, which includes On-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to On-Site Recharge Basins (via the IRM); Treatment of Off-site Public Supply Wells; and Groundwater Monitoring (including Monitored Natural Attenuation).

**Alternative 2:** On-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to On-Site Recharge Basins (via the IRM); HN-24 Area Treatment; Treatment of Off-site Public Supply Wells; and Groundwater Monitoring (including Monitored Natural Attenuation).

**Alternative 3:** On-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to On-Site Recharge Basins (via the IRM); GM-38D2 Area Treatment and Discharge to an Off-Site Storm Sewer; Treatment of Off-site Public Supply Wells; and Groundwater Monitoring (including Monitored Natural Attenuation).

**Alternative 4:** On-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to On-Site Recharge Basins (via the IRM; HN-24 Area Treatment; GM-38D2 Area Treatment and Discharge to an Off-Site Storm Sewer; Treatment of Off-site Public Supply Wells; and Groundwater Monitoring (including Monitored Natural Attenuation).

**Alternative 5:** On-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to On-Site Recharge Basins (via the IRM; Treatment of Off-site Public Supply Wells; Off-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to Off-Site Storm Sewers; and Groundwater Monitoring (including Monitored Natural Attenuation).

**Alternative 6:** On-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to On-Site Recharge Basins (via the ERM); HN-24 Area Treatment; Treatment of Off-site Public Supply Wells; Off-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to Off-Site Storm Sewers; and Groundwater Monitoring (including Monitored Natural Attenuation).

**Alternative 7:** On-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to On-Site Recharge Basins (via the IRM); GM-38D2 Area Treatment and Discharge to an Off-Site Storm Sewer; Treatment of Off-site Public Supply Wells; Off-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to Off-Site Storm Sewers; and Groundwater Monitoring (including Monitored Natural Attenuation).

**Alternative 8:** On-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to On-Site Recharge Basins (via the IRM); HN-24 Area Treatment; GM-38D2 Area Treatment and Discharge to an Off-Site Storm Sewer; Treatment of Off-site Public Supply Wells; Off-Site Plume Containment, Treatment, and Discharge to Off-Site Storm Sewers; and Groundwater Monitoring (including Monitored Natural Attenuation).

<b>Alternative</b>	<b>Total Gallons Pumped (billions)</b>	<b>Total Mass Removal</b>	<b>Capital Cost</b>	<b>Annual O&amp;M (\$/year)</b>	<b>Present Worth O&amp;M (30 years)</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>
<b>Alternative 1</b>	53.22	73,800	3,670,000	1,480,000	23,040,000	26,700,000
<b>Alternative 2</b>	53.22	76,200	4,900,000	1,606,000	23,300,000	28,200,000
<b>Alternative 3</b>	61.10	79,100	8,060,000	1,700,000	25,510,000	33,600,000
<b>Alternative 4</b>	61.10	81,500	9,290,000	1,826,000	25,720,000	35,000,000
<b>Alternative 5</b>	110.53	81,900	21,390,000	2,600,000	41,390,000	62,800,000
<b>Alternative 6</b>	110.53	84,400	22,620,000	2,726,000	41,480,000	64,100,000
<b>Alternative 7</b>	118.42	82,000	21,860,000	2,606,000	41,470,000	63,300,000
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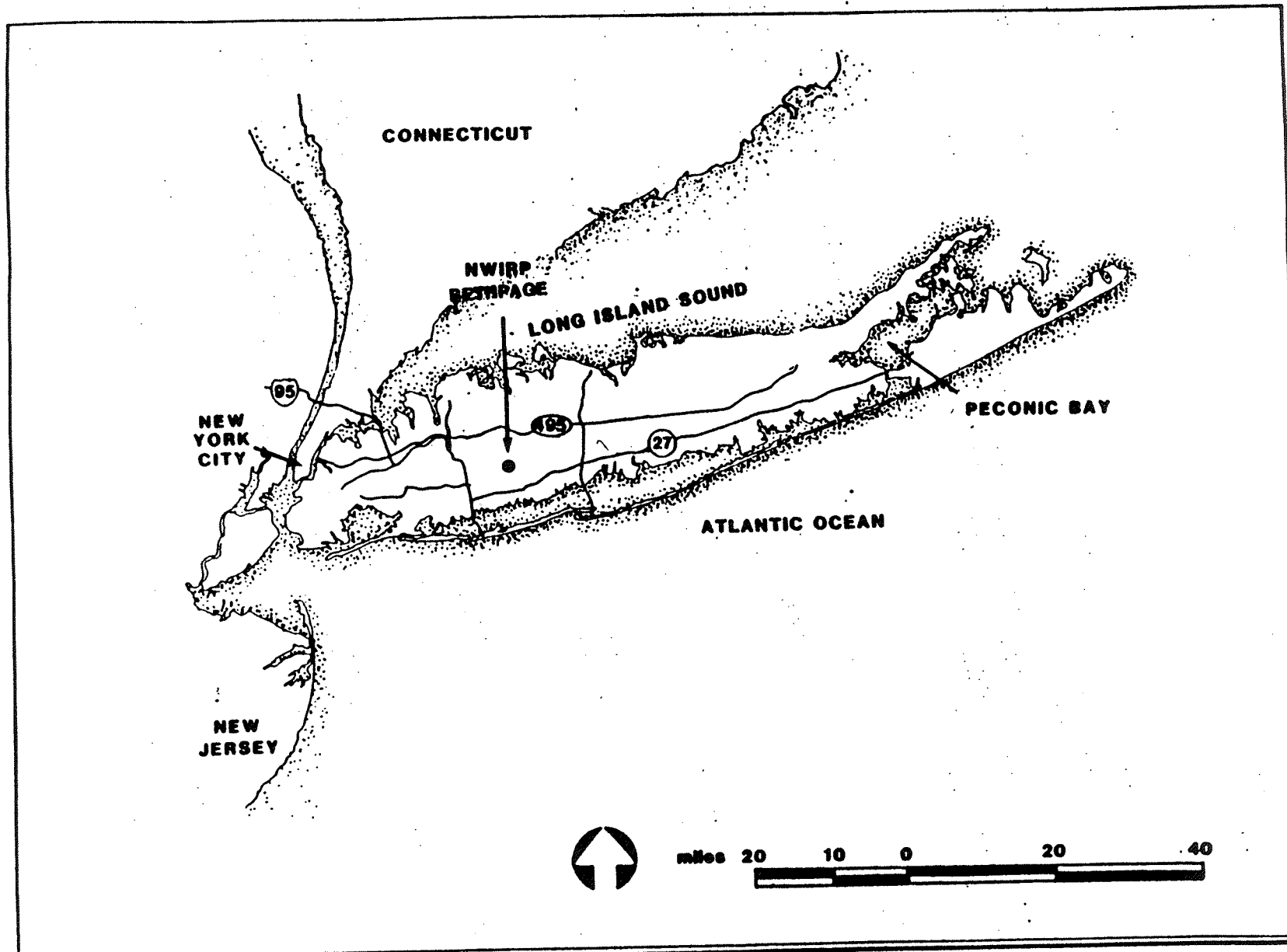



Figure 1-1  
General Location Map,  
NWIRP Bethpage, New York



Naval Weapons Industrial  
Reserve Plant  
Bethpage  
Long Island, New York

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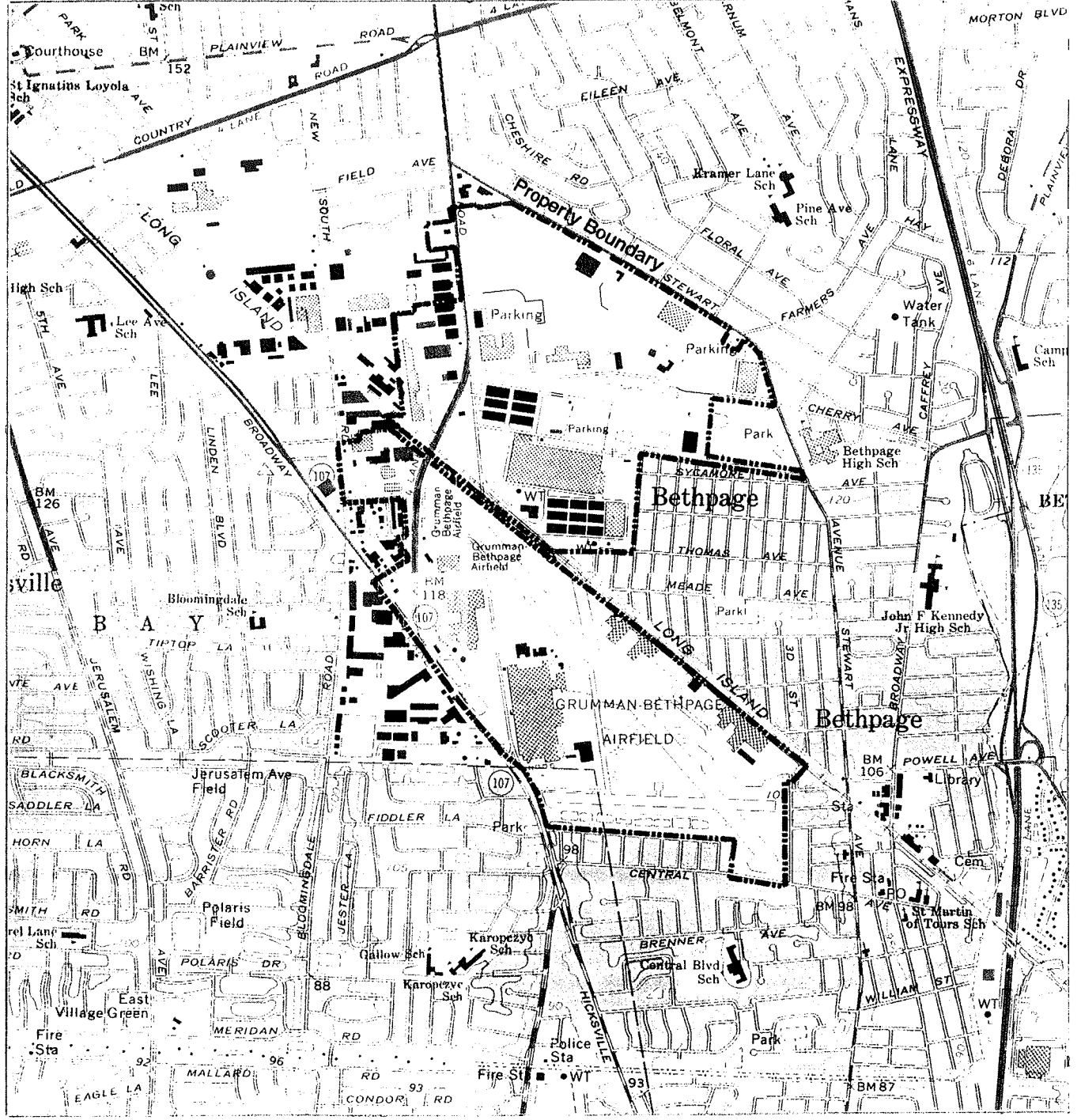
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LOCATION



# SITE LOCATION

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BETHPAGE, NEW YORK

FIGURE

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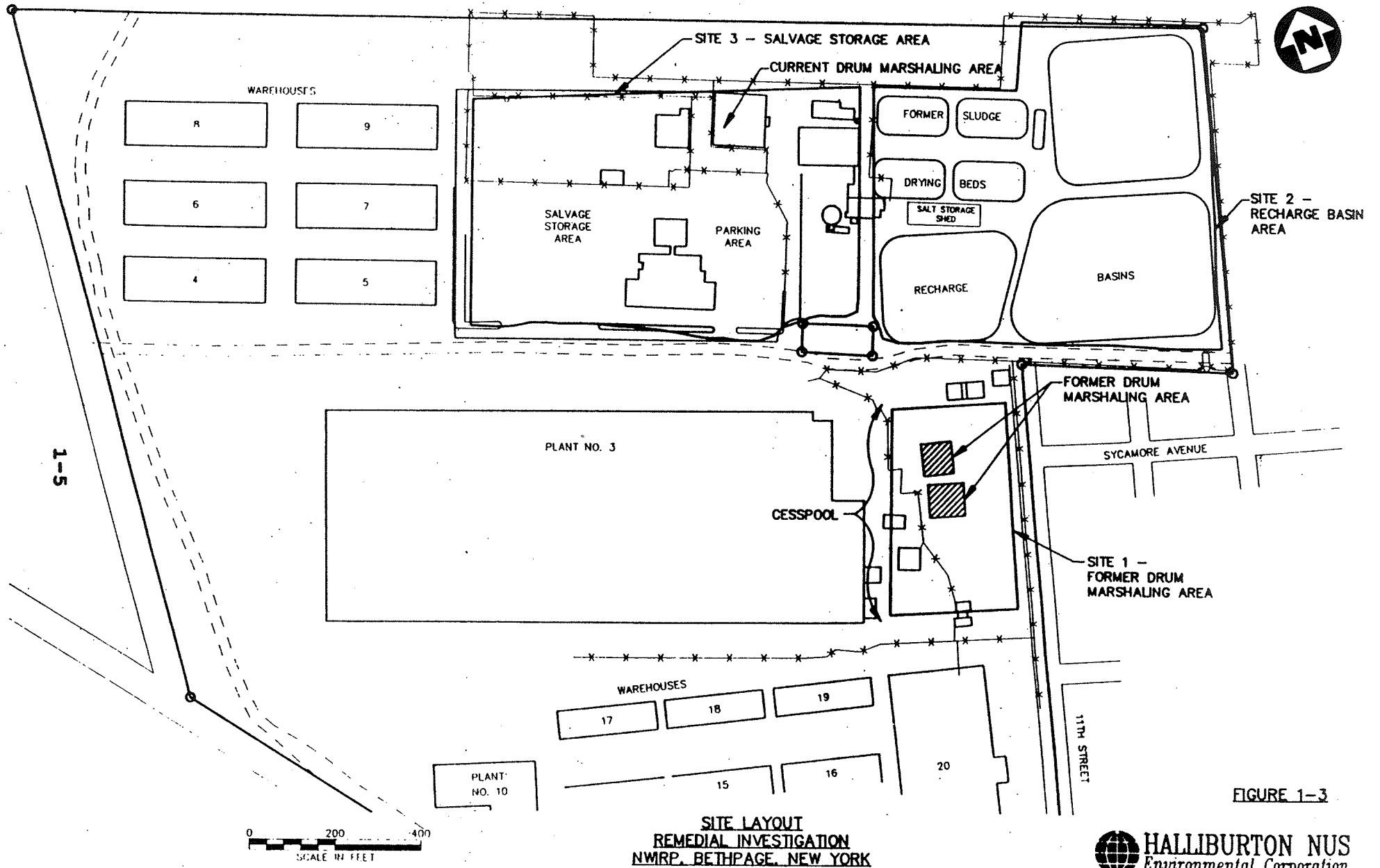


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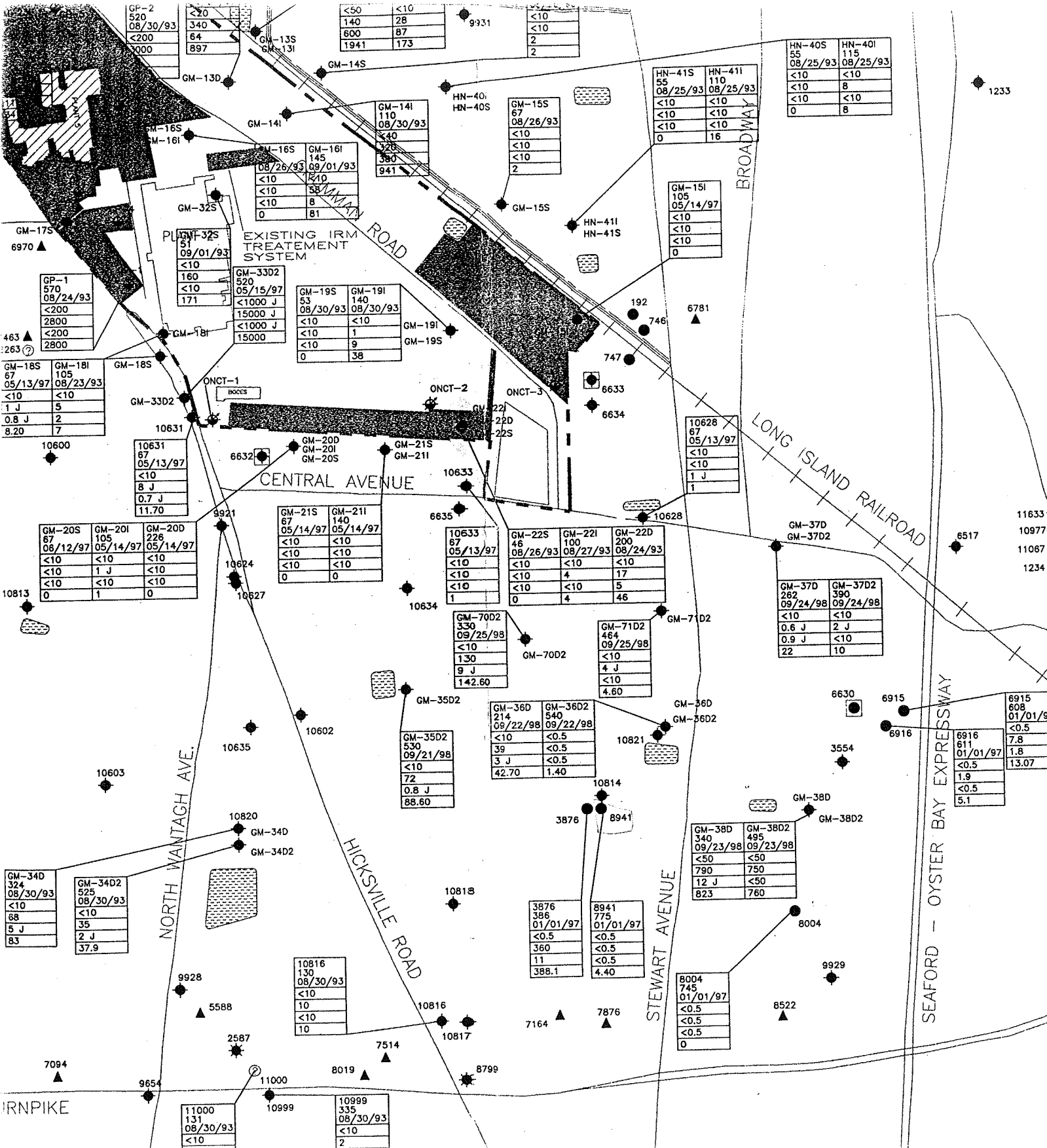
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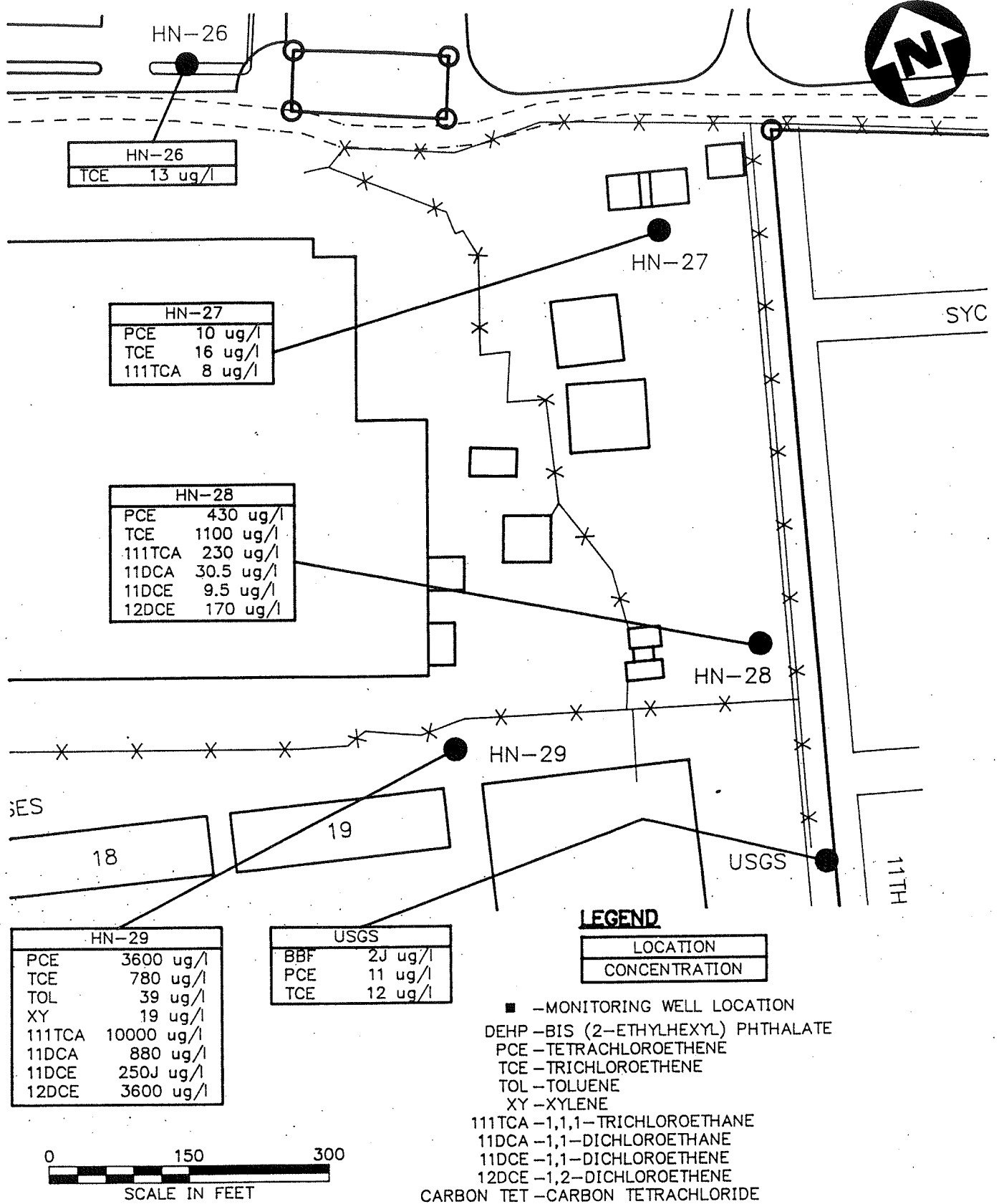
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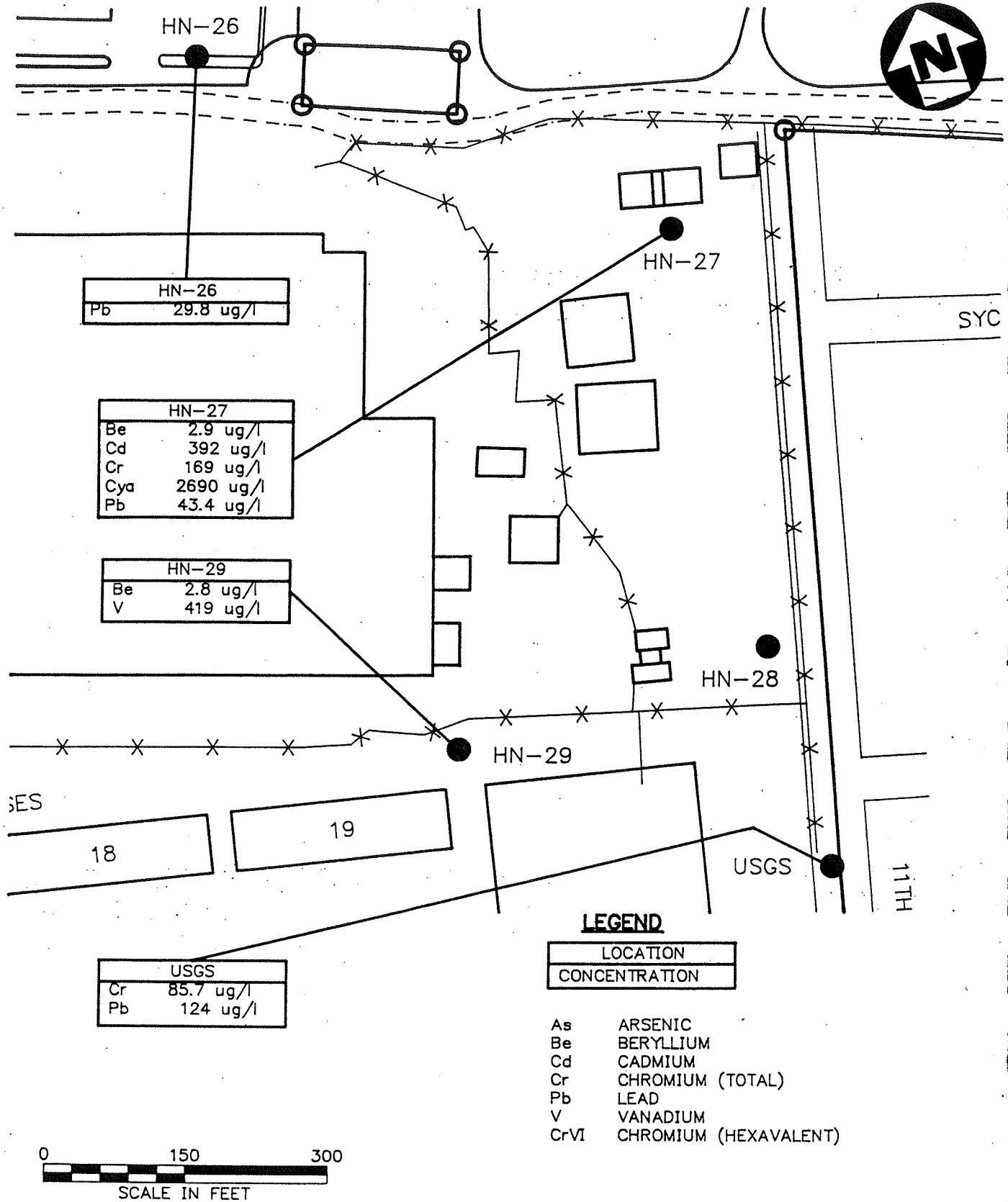
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**SHALLOW GROUNDWATER ORGANICS  
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 REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION  
 NWIRP. BETHPAGE, NEW YORK**

**FIGURE 4-12**

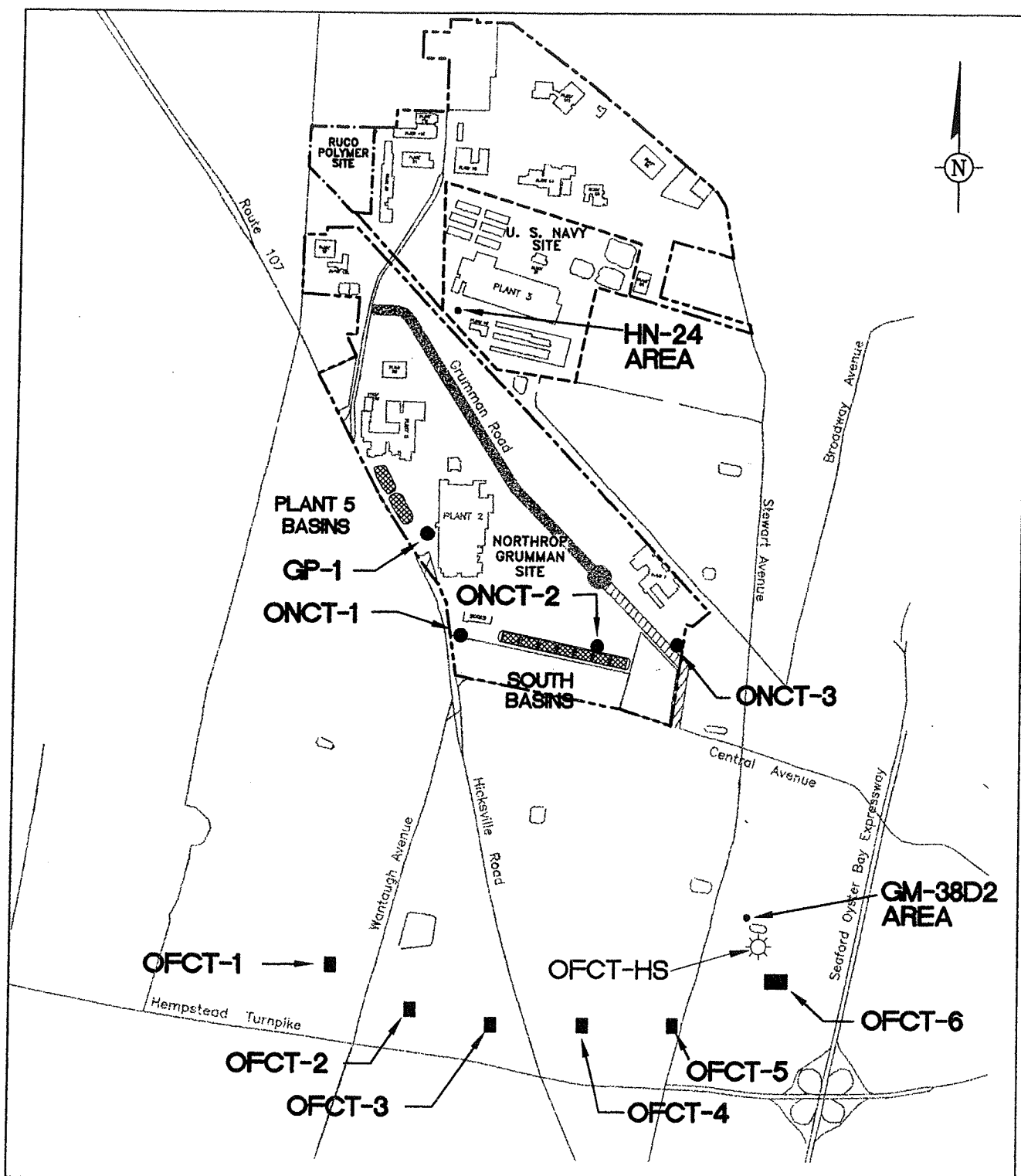




**GROUNDWATER SHALLOW INORGANICS  
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**FIGURE 4-14**

**REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION  
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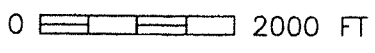


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- ONCT-2 ■** LOCATION AND DESIGNATION OF OFF-SITE EXTRACTION WELL
- OFCT-HS ☼** LOCATION AND DESIGNATION OF OFF-SITE GM-38D2 AREA EXTRACTION WELL


- HN-24 AREA** VICINITY OF HN-24 AREA
- GM-38D2 AREA** VICINITY OF GM-38D2 AREA

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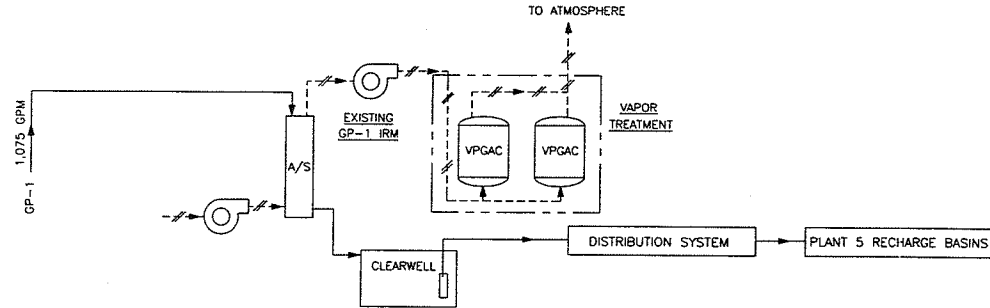
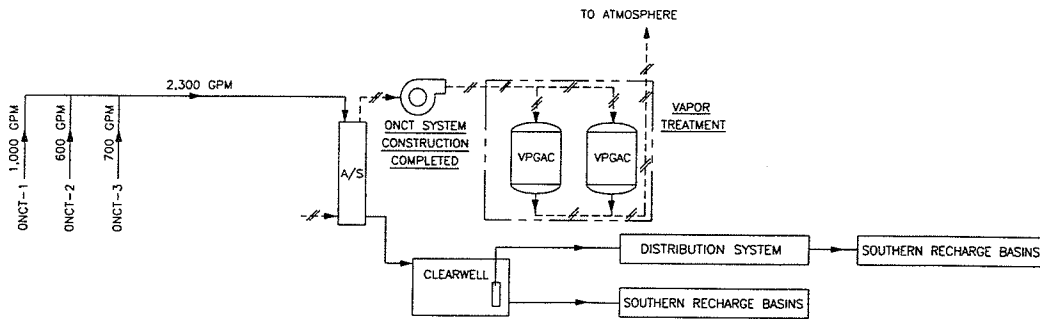


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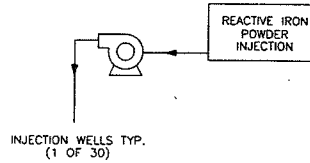
**LOCATIONS OF EXTRACTION WELLS,  
PRODUCTION WELL, AND RECHARGE BASINS**

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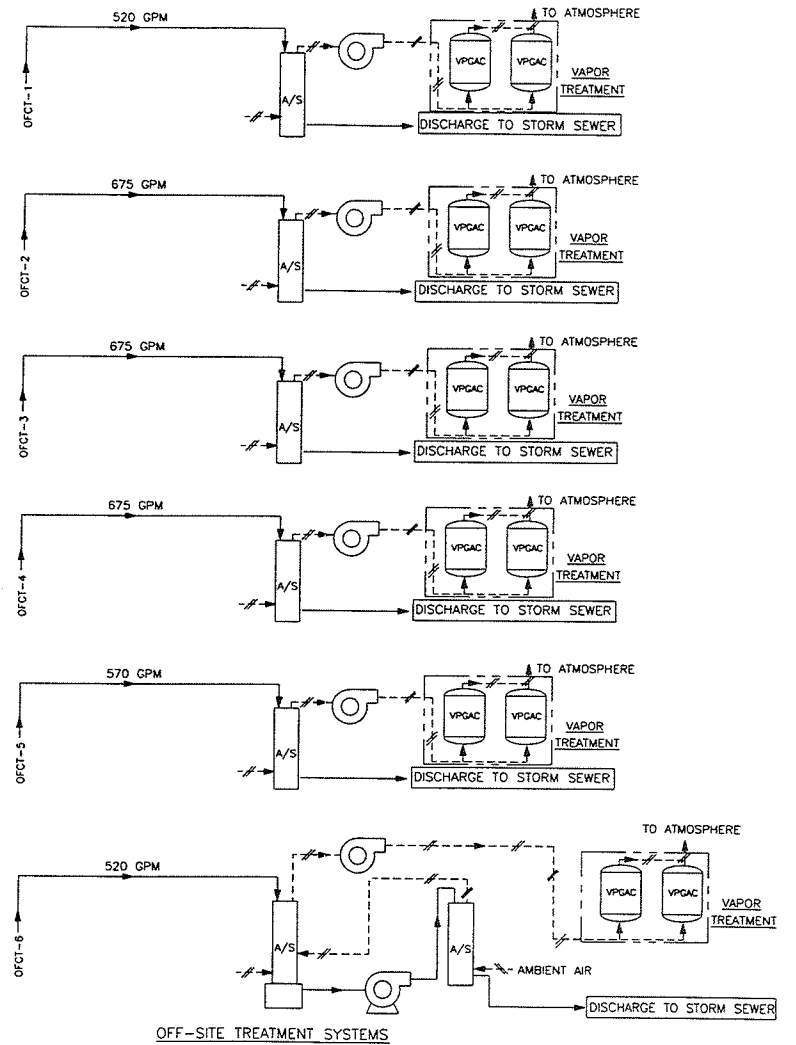
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**3-1**



ON-SITE TREATMENT SYSTEM



HN-24 AREA TREATMENT



OFF-SITE TREATMENT SYSTEMS

LEGEND

- VPGAC VAPOR PHASE GRANULAR ACTIVATED CARBON
- A/S AIR STRIPPER
- LIQUID FLOW
- - - - - VAPOR FLOW

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ALTERNATIVE 6: ON-SITE PLUME CONTAINMENT, TREATMENT, AND DISCHARGE TO ON-SITE RECHARGE BASINS (VIA THE IRM); HN-24 AREA TREATMENT; TREATMENT OF OFF-SITE PUBLIC SUPPLY WELLS; OFF-SITE PLUME CONTAINMENT, TREATMENT, AND DISCHARGE TO STORM SEWERS; AND GROUNDWATER MONITORING (INCLUDING MONITORED NATURAL ATTENUATION)

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