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Project Close-Out for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4, 174th Fighter Wing, New York Air

National Guard - Final Work Plan

Dear Ms. Murata:

CH2M HILL is pleased to provide you with an electronic copy of the Final Work Plan for Project Close-Out for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 at the 174<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, New York Air National Guard Base in Syracuse, New York.

If you have any questions regarding this document, feel free to contact me at 972/663-2291.

Sincerely,

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Brian Wied, P.G. Project Manager

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FINAL WORK PLAN

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### Project Close-Out for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 174<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing, New York Air National Guard Hancock Field Air National Guard Base, Syracuse, New York

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### Introduction

CH2M HILL has been contracted by the U.S. Air National Guard (ANG), to conduct project close-out (PCO) activities at Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 at the 174<sup>th</sup> Fighter Wing (174 FW), Hancock Field ANG installation located in Syracuse, New York (Exhibits 1 and 2). PCO activities will involve the abandonment of 27 monitoring wells (Appendix A) and associated tasks. This work is being performed under Contract DAHA92-01-D-0009, Delivery Order 0144. This Work Plan (WP) has been developed in accordance with the March 23, 2010 Statement of Work (SOW) and the CH2M HILL proposal dated April 20, 2010.

### **Background and Site Descriptions**

The Hancock Field Air National Guard Base (ANGB) is located in Syracuse, New York, immediately south of and adjacent to the Syracuse International Airport (Exhibit 1). In communications between New York State Department of Environmental Conservations (NYSDEC) and Headquarters (HQ) ANG, NYSDEC concurred with the No Further Action (NFA) recommendations for Sites 2 and 3 in September 1995, and for Sites 1 and 4 in May 2009. As a result of these NFA recommendations, PCO activities will commence and will involve the abandonment of 27 monitoring wells at Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 at Hancock Field ANGB. Descriptions of these sites are provided below and specifications for monitoring wells to be abandoned are presented in **Appendix A**.

### Site Descriptions

**Exhibit 2** shows the locations of Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 in relation to the entire Base. The subsections below provide additional descriptions of these sites.

#### Site 1

Site 1 (Site FT-1 Fire Training Area [FTA]) (**Exhibit 3**) encompasses an area of approximately 0.75 acre and is located approximately 250 feet northwest of the intersection of Avenue D and Thompson Road. The site is located on top of an abandoned concrete aircraft parking area and was used from 1948 to 1985 for fire training exercises where waste fuels, such as fuel oils and jet fuel, were used as accelerants. There are nine known wells associated with Site 1.

#### Site 2

Site 2 (Site D-3 Disposal Site) (**Exhibit 4**) is actually three separate areas located east of Site 3 and west of the south-flowing tributary of Ley Creek. This site was used for disposal of waste materials such as slaked lime, construction rubble, general refuse, empty drums, and small quantities of liquid paint residues. There are five known wells associated with Site 2.

#### Site 3

Site 3 (Site D-1 Disposal Site) (**Exhibit 4**) is located east of Watertown Road, south of Stewart Drive, and just north of the rifle range. This site was used for the disposal of general refuse and construction rubble from the early 1960s until 1979. Prior to disposal activities, this area was the location of two domestic waste treatment lagoons. This site may have contained drums that contained chemical waste solvents and pesticides. There are five known wells associated with Site 3.

#### Site 4

Site 4 (Site D-5 Disposal Site) (**Exhibit 5**) is an unlined disposal area located approximately 250 feet north of Avenue D. The site surrounds an old concrete aircraft hardstand (parking area) that extends north from Avenue D. The disposal area was approximately 100 feet by 150 feet wide and was used from 1950 to 1976 to dispose of construction debris, empty ammunition boxes, sod, empty drums, and possibly a few drums that contained hazardous wastes (paints, thinners, and solvents) generated by shops at the installation. There are eight known wells associated with Site 4.

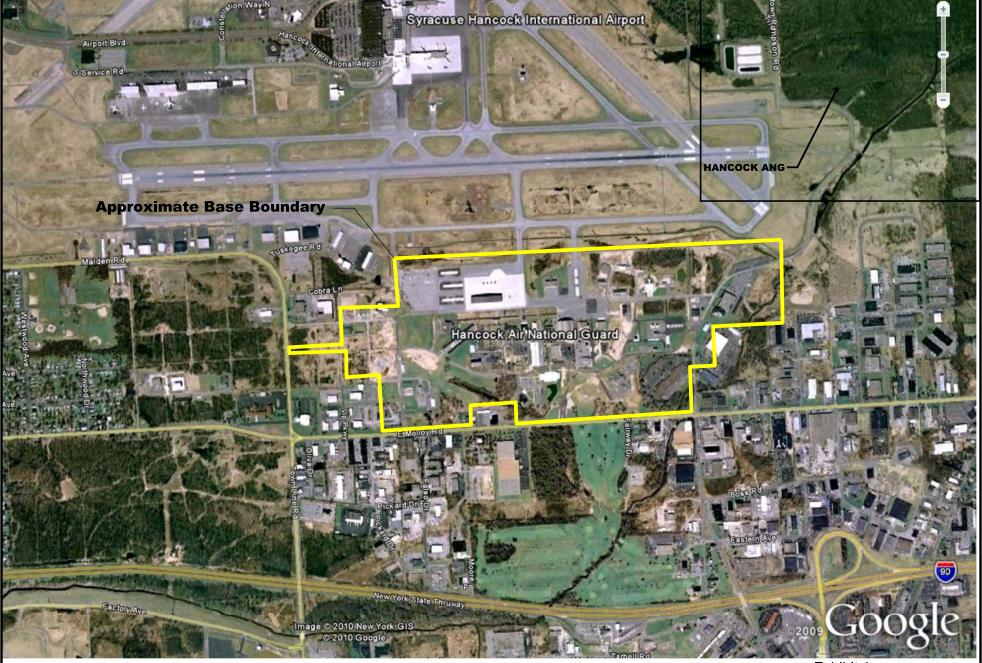
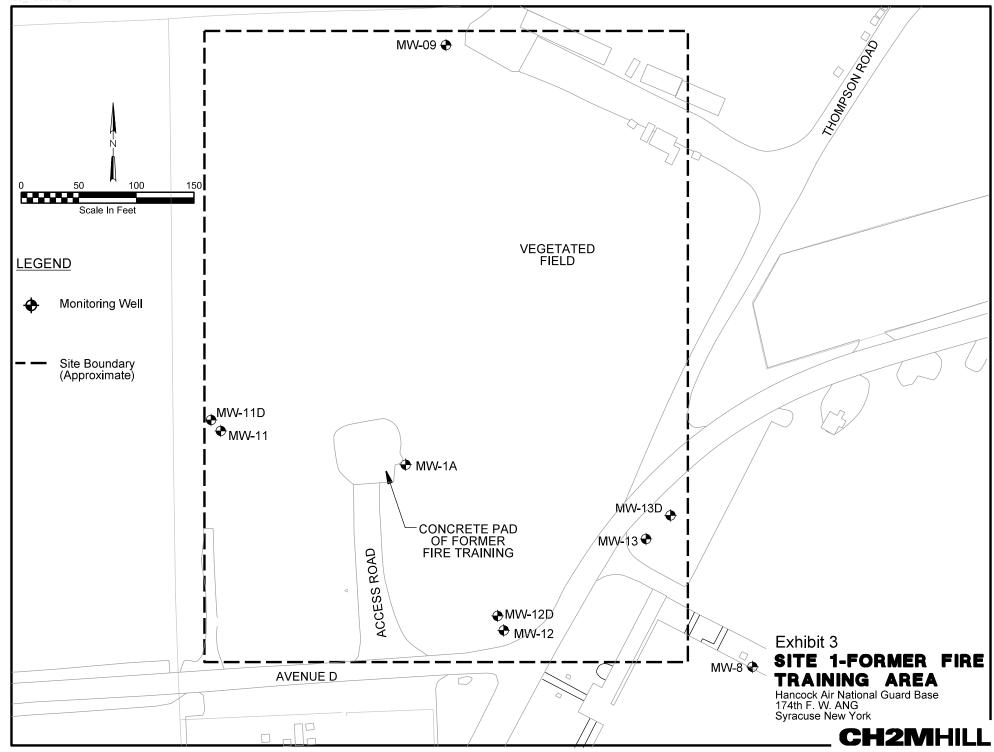
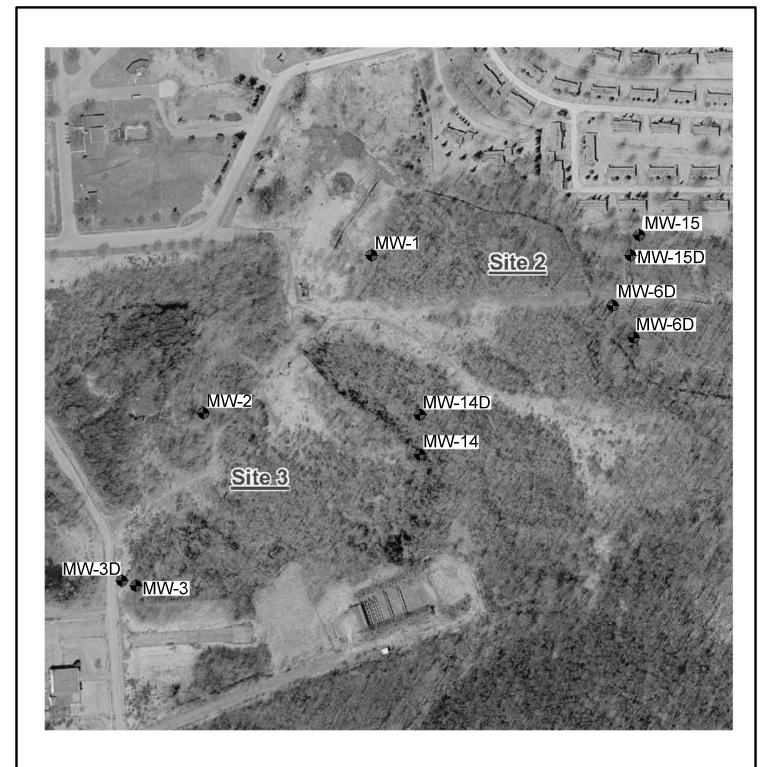


Exhibit 1
Site Location Map
Hancock Air National Guard Base
174th F. W. ANG
Syracuse, New York
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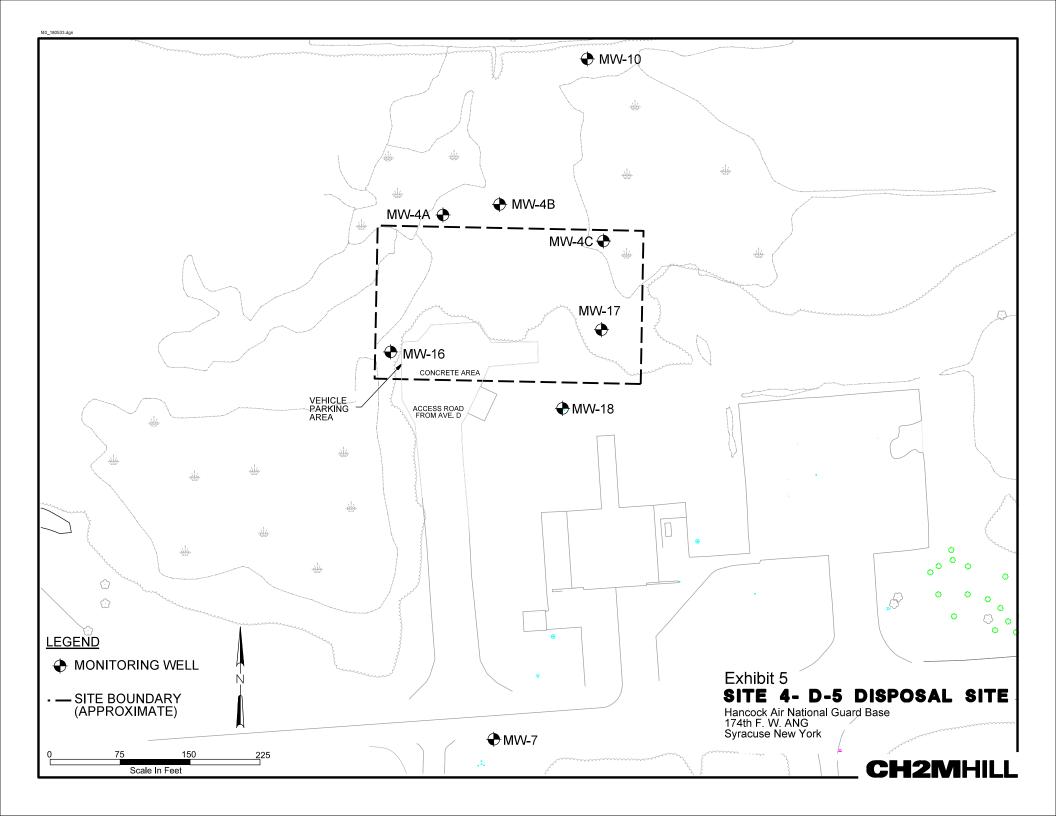
### **LEGEND**

Monitoring Well

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Exhibit 4
SITES 2 AND 3
Hancock Air National Guard Base
174th F. W. ANG
Syracuse New York

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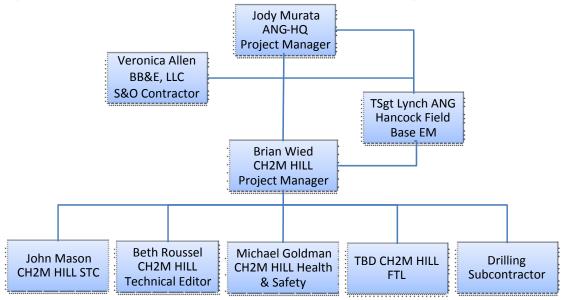
### **Project Team**

The organizational structure for this project includes HQ ANG, Hancock Field ANGB, CH2M HILL, a surveillance and oversight (S&O) contractor, and one subcontractor. CH2M HILL is the designated prime contractor and is responsible for the overall coordination and delivery of the project. The project organizational structure is depicted in **Exhibit 6**.

EXHIBIT 6

Project Organization Chart

Project Closeout for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 for the 174th Fighter Wing, Hancock ANGB, Syracuse, New York



### **Project Roles and Responsibilities**

The CH2M HILL project team will work closely with the ANG Program team to complete PCO activities as described in the March 23, 2010 Statement of Work and in the CH2M HILL proposal dated April 20, 2010. CH2M HILL will work with the ANG Program team to maintain good communication with the Hancock Field ANGB Environmental Manager (EM) and the NYSDEC.

Ms. Jody Murata is the ANG Program manager from HQ ANG and has the overall responsibility for the project. The Hancock Field ANGB EM is Technical Sergeant (TSgt) Brent Lynch. TSgt Lynch will provide local support for the project. For CH2M HILL, Dan Marion is the Program Manager for the ANG contract, while Brian Wied is the Project Manager and John Mason is the CH2M HILL senior technical consultant (STC). Supporting Mr. Wied is a variety of skilled staff-level personnel to prepare the work plan, conduct the fieldwork, and prepare the necessary PCO documents.

One subcontractor, Parratt Wolff, will be subcontracted by CH2M HILL to complete the monitoring well abandonment activities.

**Exhibit** 7 provides names, titles, and contact information for the project team.

EXHIBIT 7
Project Team Roles and Contact Information

Project Closeout for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 for the 174th Fighter Wing, Hancock Field ANGB, Syracuse, New York

Team Member	Organization	Role	E-mail address/Phone Number
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### Scope of Work for Project Close-Out Activities

The Scope of Work for PCO activities includes abandoning 27 monitoring wells at Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 and associated support and reporting tasks. The following subsections provide additional information on the following tasks:

- Kickoff Meeting
- Monitoring Well Survey and Meeting Minutes
- Mobilization
- Monitoring Well Abandonment
- Investigative Derived Waste (IDW) Management
- Site Restoration
- Draft and Final PCO Reports

### **Kickoff Meeting**

CH2M HILL will coordinate and lead a project kickoff meeting at the Hancock Field ANGB EM's office at Hancock Field ANGB. Meeting attendees will include representatives from HQ ANG, 174 FW personnel, the NYSDEC, and CH2M HILL. CH2M HILL will prepare a meeting agenda and presentation slides, and will lead the kickoff meeting discussion. The

objective of this meeting will be to align the scope and tasks for the project and to coordinate the schedule to complete PCO activities.

### Monitoring well Survey and Meeting Minutes

Following the kickoff meeting, CH2M HILL will conduct a monitoring well survey. The monitoring well survey will include a review of readily available files and documents, interviews with ANG personnel knowledgeable of the project area, and a visual survey, as necessary, to field-locate the 27 monitoring wells to be abandoned as part of the scope of work. During this survey, CH2M HILL will measure and record the monitoring well depths, and will document the outer and inner casing materials and diameters. The survey findings will be used during the abandonment task for quality control purposes and to calculate the amount of materials and equipment needed to properly abandon the monitoring wells.

CH2M HILL will prepare draft meeting minutes following the monitoring well survey. The draft meeting minutes will be submitted within 1 week of the conclusion of the kickoff meeting and will summarize the kickoff meeting discussion and monitoring well survey findings.

CH2M HILL will submit final meeting minutes following incorporation of one round of consolidated comments from HQ ANG and the Hancock Field ANGB EM.

#### Mobilization

Mobilization includes mobilizing staff and resources necessary to perform the field activities. The resources include, but are not limited to, personnel, equipment, materials, supplies, and support facilities (such as decontamination facilities, waste containment facilities, and material and equipment storage) to support PCO activities. During the kickoff meeting, CH2M HILL will request an approximately 50 feet by 50 feet onsite staging/laydown area. The purpose of this area will be to stage a roll-off container for IDW storage and materials for the monitoring well abandonments. The final location of this area will be approved by the Hancock Field ANGB EM prior to mobilization.

### Monitoring Well Abandonment

Twenty-seven monitoring wells at Sites 1, 2, 3 and 4 (**Appendix A**) will be abandoned by a licensed, non-union, New York driller, in accordance with NYSDEC *Groundwater Monitoring Well Decommissioning Policy* issued on November 3, 2009. Field work will also be conducted in accordance with the Health and Safety Plan (HSP) provided in **Appendix B**.

Monitoring wells to be abandoned will be verified in the field prior to abandonment. The verification will consist of reviewing the available monitoring well records, construction diagrams, and site plans, and confirming the well information. The reviewed information will include the monitoring well depth, and the outer and inner casing materials and diameters. This verification is necessary for quality control purposes.

During abandonment, the depth to groundwater and the well depth will be measured with a sounding device (such as a water level probe or a weighted tape measure) and recorded on a well abandonment form. The measured monitoring well depth will be cross-checked with the available monitoring well record. Obstructions such as pumps, sample tubing, and water level recorders are not anticipated; however, if encountered, will be removed prior to

abandonment. After the well has been verified and obstructions removed, the protective surface casing (either above-grade or flush-mounted completions) and surrounding concrete pad will be removed to approximately 1-foot below grade.

Abandonment will continue by inserting a tremie pipe into the well down to the measured well bottom. A cement/bentonite grout mixture will be pumped into the well. The grout material will be composed of a mixture in the ratio of 94 pounds of Portland Type I or II neat cement, to 5 pounds bentonite, to no more than 6 gallons of water. The grout material will be pumped into the monitoring well, under pressure, through a tremie pipe that discharges at the bottom of the well. The tremie pipe will be retrieved while pumping the grout material through it. The grout material will be pumped into the monitoring well until the water in the well has been displaced, and the grout material overflowing the well is of the same density and consistency as the grout material being pumped into the well. The amount of grout material added to the monitoring well will be recorded in the field by the subcontractor.

The protective bollards around the monitoring wells will be excavated and removed during well abandonment activities. The removed bollards, protective casings, and other materials generated during abandonment will be disposed as construction and demolition debris (see IDW management below).

### **IDW Management**

CH2M HILL will be responsible for containing and disposing of IDW generated during the field activities. It is anticipated that non-hazardous IDW will be generated, and will consist of: steel protective casings, polyvinyl chloride (PVC) riser pipes, concrete pads, excess grout, used personnel protective equipment (PPE), and plastic sheeting. This IDW will be collected and transported to a central staging area until the field work portion of the project is complete.

Once the monitoring well abandonments are complete, CH2M HILL will coordinate with a subcontracted waste disposal service to profile, manifest, and arrange for offsite disposal. The ANG may be required to sign the waste disposal manifests as the generator of the waste. IDW will be disposed of at a licensed facility capable of receiving non-hazardous construction debris.

#### Site Restoration

Efforts to reduce the degradation of work areas will be employed to lessen the need and cost of restoration. Heavy-duty mats or wood may be used for this purpose. The area immediately surrounding the well abandonment locations will be repaired using similar materials as the surrounding area (such as asphalt, gravel, or soil) as needed.

Following monitoring well abandonment, the monitoring well locations will be left in a neat condition. Any excess grout or other materials will be removed from the ground surface. In addition, debris and unused materials will be removed and the site will be restored to as near as its original condition as possible.

### **Draft and Final PCO Reports**

CH2M HILL will prepare a draft PCO report in the form of a brief technical memorandum. The draft PCO report will summarize the work performed and also include any recommendations

for further actions, if necessary. Attachments to the report will include individual monitoring well abandonment forms for each of the 27 abandoned monitoring wells, field log book entries, and a copy of the non-hazardous waste disposal manifest.

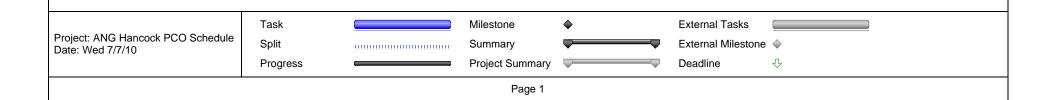
The draft PCO report shall be submitted to the HQ ANG, Hancock Field ANGB EM, S&O contractor, and the NYSDEC for concurrent review and comment. Following receipt of one round of consolidated comments, CH2M HILL will provide written responses to HQ ANG, Hancock Field ANGB EM, S&O contractor, and NYSDEC. If necessary, a conference call will be held between the CH2M HILL PM and draft PCO report reviewers to adjudicate any comments. Once the comment responses are accepted by the project team, CH2M HLL will incorporate them into a final PCO report.

### **Project Schedule**

**Exhibit 8** provides the proposed schedule for completion of the task order, including tentative start and finish dates and durations for each task. This schedule will be updated monthly and included as part of CH2M HILL's project status report updates. The detailed schedule of milestones will be discussed at the kickoff meeting. The final schedule will be incorporated into the Final Work Plan.

# Exhibit 8 Project Schedule Project Close-Out for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 Air National Guard Hancock Field, Syracuse, New York

ID	Task Name	Duration	Start	Finish	<u>r</u>	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
1	Air National Guard Hancock Field, Project Close-Out for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4	137 days?	Fri 4/30/10	Mon 11/8/10	Mar	Apr   May   Jun	Jul   Aug   Sep	Oct Nov Dec
2	Notice to Proceed	1 day?	Fri 4/30/10	Fri 4/30/10		I →		
3	Task 1 – Kickoff Meeting and Meeting Minutes	9 days?	Tue 6/29/10	Fri 7/9/10		,		
4	Conduct a Project Kickoff Meeting	1 day?	Tue 6/29/10	Tue 6/29/10				
5	Monitoring Well Survey	1 day?	Tue 6/29/10	Tue 6/29/10				
6	Draft Meeting Minutes	1 day?	Thu 7/1/10	Thu 7/1/10			<b>I</b>	
7	Final Meeting Minutes	1 day?	Fri 7/9/10	Fri 7/9/10			1	
8	Task 2 – Draft and Final PCO Work Plan	29 days?	Fri 5/28/10	Wed 7/7/10			•	
9	Draft PCO Work Plan	10 days	Fri 5/28/10	Thu 6/10/10				
10	Review and resolve comments on Draft PCO Work Plan	12 days	Fri 6/11/10	Mon 6/28/10		<b>_</b>		
11	Final PCO Work Plan	1 day?	Wed 7/7/10	Wed 7/7/10			*	
12	Task 3 – Field Work	10 days?	Mon 7/19/10	Fri 7/30/10			<b>+-</b>	
13	Mobilization	1 day?	Mon 7/19/10	Mon 7/19/10			<u> </u>	
14	Abandon Monitoring Wells	8 days	Tue 7/20/10	Thu 7/29/10			<u> </u>	
15	Site Restoration and Demobilization	1 day?	Fri 7/30/10	Fri 7/30/10			Ĭ,	
16	Task 4 – Draft and Final PCO Report	27 days	Thu 8/5/10	Fri 9/10/10				
17	Draft PCO report	7 days	Thu 8/5/10	Fri 8/13/10			<u> </u>	
18	Review and resolve comments on Draft PCO report	12 days	Mon 8/16/10	Tue 8/31/10			<u> </u>	
19	Final PCO report	6 days	Fri 9/3/10	Fri 9/10/10			Ĭ	
20	Task 5 – Project Management and Quarterly Progress Reports	92 days?	Fri 7/2/10	Mon 11/8/10		•	\alpha	
21	1st Quarterly Report	1 day?	Fri 7/2/10	Fri 7/2/10			I	
22	2nd Quarterly Report (if needed)	1 day?	Mon 11/8/10	Mon 11/8/10				Ţ



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- NYSDEC. 2009. *Groundwater Monitoring Well Decommissioning Policy*. Issued on November 3.

#### APPENDIX A

## **Monitoring Well List**

IRP Site		Diameter	Well	Completion Method	Total Well	one.			Dete
IRP Site	Well ID	Diameter (inches)	Construction (PVC, SS, etc)	(flush mount, stick-up, etc)	Depth (feet bgs)	GPS Northing	GPS Easting	Condition/Notes	Date Checked
10	Well ID	(mones)	(1 40, 00, 00)	Cloy	(leet bys)	Horamig	Or o Lasting	Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	Onconca
1	MW-1A	2	PVC	Stickup	17.23	950413.2278	1131546.375	plug, steel casing	4/20/2009
			-					No concrete pad, no surface cap/well	
1	MW-8	2	PVC	Flush mount	30.19	950819.7739	1131311.373	cover, PVC plug	4/20/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	
1	MW-9	2	PVC	Stickup	31.91	950462.0865	1131955.081	plug, steel bollards, in wooded area	4/20/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	
1	MW-11	2	PVC	Stickup	22.26	950253.8651	1131543.739	plug, steel bollards	4/20/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	
1	MW-11D	4	PVC	Stickup	>100	950227.9068	1131550.28	plug, steel bollards	4/20/2009
	100/40		5) (0	0.1.1	0.4.40	050500 405	4404040.000	Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	4/00/0000
1	MW-12	2	PVC	Stickup	24.13	950522.465	1131319.079	plug, label on stick-up lid, steel bollards	4/20/2009
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	NAVA 40D	4	D) (O	Othelmore	400	050544 4000	4404045 700	Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	4/00/0000
1	MW-12D	4	PVC	Stickup	>100	950514.4289	1131345.763	plug, label on stick-up lid, steel bollards	4/20/2009
1	MW-13	2	PVC	Ctickup	28.56	950662.0088	1121121 262	Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion plug, steel bollards	4/20/2009
-	10100-13		PVC	Stickup	20.30	950002.0000	1131434.303	Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	4/20/2009
1 1	MW-13D	4	PVC	Stickup	>100	950661.6277	1131426.907	plug, steel bollards	4/20/2009
	IVIVV-13D	7	1 00	Ottokup	>100	330001.0211	1131420.307	Concrete pad, cut padlock, PVC plug,	4/20/2003
								steel casing, steel bollards, in wooded	
2	MW-1	2	PVC	Stickup	31.24	952173.2562	1137713.227	area	4/21/2009
				O O O	<u> </u>	0021101202		Concrete pad, no padlock, unable to	.,,
								remove PVC plug, label on PVC plug,	
2	MW-6	NA	PVC	Stickup	NA	953110.1576	1137420.178	steel casing, in wooded area.	4/21/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, unable to	
								remove PVC plug, steel casing, in	
2	MW-6D	4	PVC	Stickup	NA	953038.6339	1137537.278	wooded area	4/21/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, PVC plug,	_
2	MW-15	2	PVC	Stickup	29.4	953128.1938	1137781.662	steel casing, in wooded area	4/21/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, PVC plug,	
2	MW-15D	4	PVC	Stickup	>100	953099.7758	1137713.457	steel casing, in wooded area	4/21/2009

			Well	Completion Method	Total Well				
IRP Site		Diameter	Construction	(flush mount, stick-up,	Depth	GPS			Date
ID	Well ID	(inches)	(PVC, SS, etc)	etc)	(feet bgs)	Northing	GPS Easting	Condition/Notes	Checked
								Damaged concrete pad, damaged steel	
								casing (stickup), unable to open the	
								steel cap/plug, steel bollards, in wooded	
3	MW-2	NA	PVC	Stickup	NA	951573.3094	1137151.305		4/21/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	
								plug, steel casing, steel bollards, in	
3	MW-3	2	PVC	Stickup	33.78	951331.2654	1136536.014	wooded area, in secure area	4/21/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	
								plug, steel casing, steel bollards, in	
3	MW-3D	4	PVC	Stickup	99.01	951279.7133	1136553.462	wooded area, in secure area	4/21/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, PVC plug,	
3	MW-14	2	PVC	Stickup	29.45	952346.961	1137003.752	steel casing, in wooded area	4/21/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, PVC plug,	
3	MW-14D	2	PVC	Stickup	94.24	952348.2684	1137142.672	steel casing, in wooded area	4/21/2009
		_						Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	
4	MW-4A	2	PVC	Stickup	16.96	949441.5269	1131763.789	plug, in wooded area, in secure area	4/20/2009
	104/45		5) (0	0.1.1	40.07			Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	4/00/0000
4	MW-4B	2	PVC	Stickup	18.97	949523.2431	1131784.391	plug, in wooded area, in secure area	4/20/2009
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4	MW-4C	2	PVC	Stickup	16.27	949633.2382	1131749.407	plug, in wooded area, in secure area	4/20/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, unable to	
4	MW-7	2	PVC	Ctiolaun	NΙΛ	040400 2277	1121202 121	remove PVC plug, steel bollards, in secure area	4/20/2000
4	IVIVV-7		PVC	Stickup	NA	949498.3277	1131203.131	No concrete pad, PVC plug, in wooded	4/20/2009
1	MW-10	2	PVC	Flush mount	31.09	040504 3503	1131928.631	area next to dirt road, in secure area	4/20/2009
4	10100-10		PVC	Flush mount	31.09	949594.3503	1131928.031	Damaged concrete pad, cut padlock,	4/20/2009
								damaged steel casing (stick-up), steel	
								bollards, unable to access expansion	
4	MW-16	2	PVC	Stickup	NA	949374.3619	1131626.141	plug or PVC plug, in secure area	4/20/2009
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4	MW-17	2	PVC	Stickup	30.06	949621.4275	1131690.105	plug, steel bollards, in secure area	4/20/2009
								Concrete pad, cut padlock, expansion	–
4	MW-18	2	PVC	Stickup	29.54	949552.6218	1131580.977	plug, steel bollards, in secure area	4/20/2009
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#### APPENDIX B

## **Health and Safety Plan**

### Health and Safety Plan

## Project Close-Out for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4, 174th Fighter Wing, Hancock Field Air National Guard Base, Syracuse, New York

New York Air National Guard

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## Project Close-Out for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4, 174th Fighter Wing, New York Air National Guard Base, Syracuse, New York

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#### CH2M HILL HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

This Health and Safety Plan (HSP) will be kept on the site during field activities and will be reviewed as necessary. The plan will be amended or revised as project activities or conditions change or when supplemental information becomes available. The plan adopts, by reference, the Enterprise-wide Core Standards (CS) and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), as appropriate. In addition, this plan adopts procedures in the project Work Plan. The Safety Coordinator (SC) is to be familiar with the CSs and SOPs and the contents of these instructions. CH2M HILL's personnel and subcontractors must be trained on this plan and sign Attachment 1.

### **Project Information and Background**

**PROJECT NO**: 404727

**CLIENT**: Air National Guard

PROJECT/SITE NAME: Project Close-Out for Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4, Hancock Field Air National Guard

Base

SITE ADDRESS: 6001 E. Molloy Road, Syracuse, NY, 13211-7099

CH2M HILL PROJECT MANAGER: Brian Wied

CH2M HILL OFFICE: Dallas, Texas

DATE HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN PREPARED: June 3, 2010

DATE(S) OF SITE WORK: June 2010 through September 2010

#### SITE BACKGROUND AND SETTING:

The Hancock Field Air National Guard Base is located in Syracuse, New York immediately south of and adjacent to the Syracuse International Airport (Exhibit 1). In communications between NYSDEC and Headquarters (HQ) ANG, NYSDEC concurred with the no further action (NFA) recommendations for Sites 2 and 3 in September 1995, and for Sites 1 and 4 in May 2009. As a result of these NFA recommendations, PCO activities will commence and will involve the abandonment of twenty-seven (27) monitoring wells at Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 at the ANGB. Descriptions of these sites are provided below.

#### Site Descriptions

**Exhibit 2** shows the location of Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4 in relation to the entire ANGB. The sections below provide additional descriptions of these sites.

#### Site 1

Site 1 (Site FT-1 Fire Training Area [FTA]) – The FTA encompasses an area of about 0.75 acres and is located approximately 250 feet northwest of the intersection of Avenue D and Thompson Road. The site is located on top of an abandoned concrete aircraft parking area and was used from 1948 to 1985 for fire training exercises where waste fuels, such as fuel oils and jet fuel, were used as accelerants. There are nine (9) known wells associated with Site 1.

#### Site 2

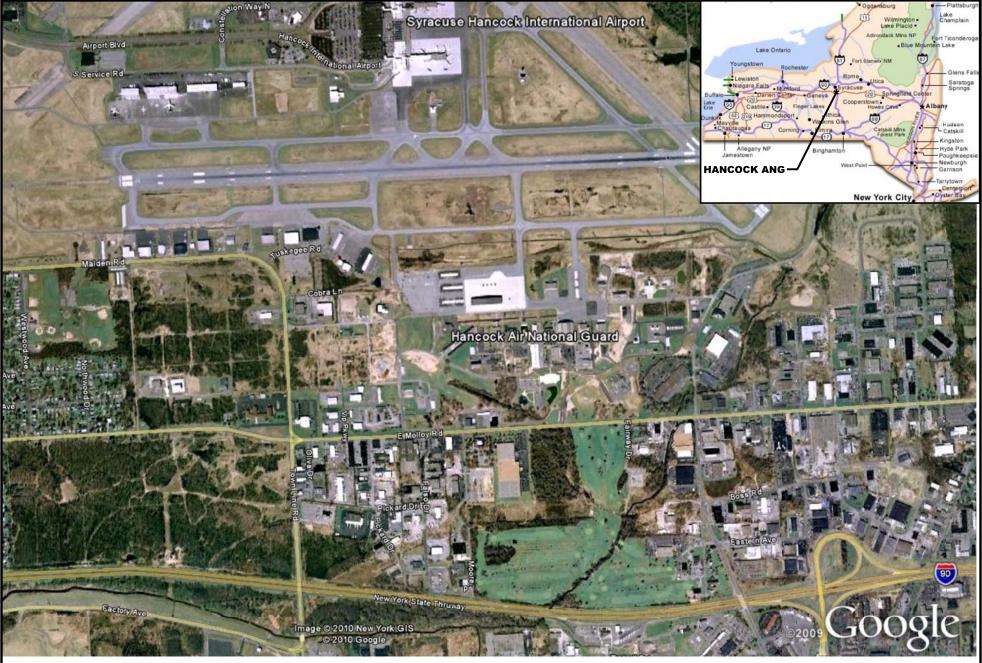
Site 2 (Site D-3 Disposal Site) – Site 2 is actually three separate areas located east of Site 3 and west of the south-flowing tributary of Ley Creek. This site was used for disposal of waste materials such as slaked lime, construction rubble, general refuse, empty drums, and small quantities of liquid paint residues. There are five (5) known wells associated with Site 2.

#### Site 3

Site 3 (Site D-1 Disposal Site) – Site 3 is located east of Watertown Road, south of Stewart Drive, and just north of the rifle range. This site was used for the disposal of general refuse and construction rubble from the early 1960's until 1979. Prior to disposal activities, this area was the location of two domestic waste treatment lagoons. This site is also believed to have contained drums that contained chemical waste solvents and pesticides. There are five (5) known wells associated with Site 3.

#### Site 4

Site 4 (Site D-5 Disposal Site) – Site 4 is an unlined disposal area located approximately 250 feet north of Avenue D. The site surrounds an old concrete aircraft hardstand (parking area) that extends north from Avenue D. The disposal area was approximately 100 feet by 150 feet wide and was used from 1950 to 1976 to dispose of construction debris, empty ammunition boxes, sod, empty drums, and possibly a few drums that contained hazardous wastes (paints, thinners, and solvents) generated by shops at the installation. There are eight (8) known wells associated with Site 4.



## Exhibit 1 Site Location Map Hancock Air National Guard Base 174th F. W. ANG Syracuse, New York CH2MHILL

### **Emergency Contacts**

### 24-hour CH2M HILL Serious Incident Reporting Contact/Pager – 720-286-4911

If injured on the job, notify your supervisor and then call 1-866-893-2514 to contact CH2M HILL'S Occupational Nurse

Medical Emergency -- 911

Facility Medical Response #: (315) 454-6111

Local Ambulance #: (315) 452-1837 North Area Volunteer Ambulance CH2M HILL- Medical Consultant

WorkCare

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Anaheim, CA 92805

800-455-6155 714-978-7488

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Thomas Horton/DEN

720/273-3100 (cell) or 720/286-0022 (office)

Fire/Spill Emergency -- 911 Responsible Health and Safety Manager (RHSM)

Facility Fire Response #: (315) 454-6111 Name: Mark Orman Local Fire Dept #:(315) 458-1920 Phone: 414-712-4138

**Human Resources Department** Security & Police - 911 Name: Sherri Huntley Facility Security #: (315) 454-6111 Local Police #: (315) 458-5749 Phone: 703-376-5192

**Utilities Emergency Phone Numbers** Worker's Compensation:

Contact Business Group HR dept. to have form Water: (315) 454-6111 Gas: (315) 454-6111 completed or contact Jennifer Rindahl after hours: Electric: (315) 454-6111 (720)891-5382

Safety Coordinator (SC) Media Inquiries Corporate Strategic

Name: to be determined (TBD) Communications Phone: TBD Name: John Corsi Phone: (720) 286-2087

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Federal Express Dangerous Goods Shipping **CH2M HILL Dangerous Goods Shipping** Phone: 800/238-5355 Phone: 800/255-3924

Facility Alarms:

(315) 454-6111

Evacuation Assembly Area(s):

Facility/Site Evacuation Route(s): See directions to hospital below

### **Directions to Local Hospital**

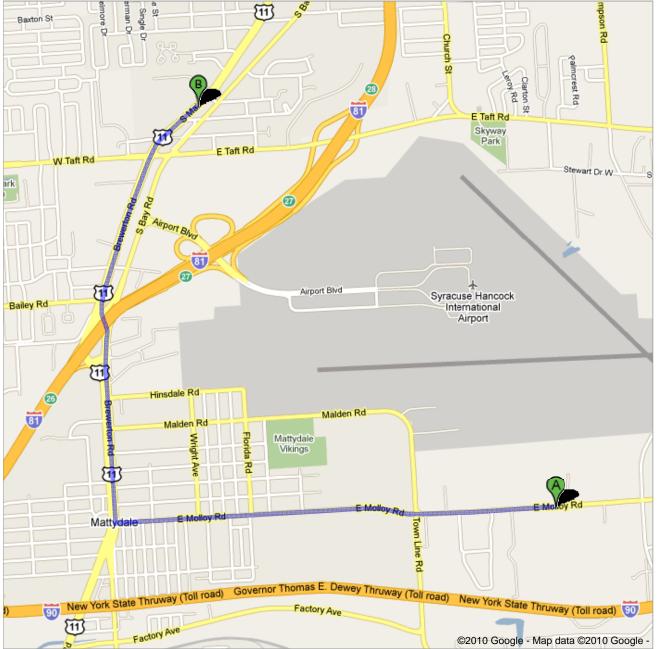
Local Hospital



#### **Directions to North Syracuse Walk-In Medical**

511 South Main Street, North Syracuse, NY 13212-2813 - (315) 452-9977 **4.2 mi** – about **9 mins** 







#### 6001 E Molloy Rd, Syracuse, NY 13211

 Head west on E Molloy Rd toward Moore Rd About 4 mins go 2.1 mi total 2.1 mi

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 Turn right at US-11 N/Brewerton Rd Continue to follow US-11 N Destination will be on the right About 5 mins go 2.1 mi total 4.2 mi

(B)

North Syracuse Walk-In Medical 511 South Main Street, North Syracuse, NY 13212-2813 - (315) 452-9977

These directions are for planning purposes only. You may find that construction projects, traffic, weather, or other events may cause conditions to differ from the map results, and you should plan your route accordingly. You must obey all signs or notices regarding your route.

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### 1.0 Tasks to be Performed under this Plan

### 1.1 Description of Tasks

Refer to project documents (i.e., Work Plan) for detailed task information. A health and safety risk analysis (Table 1) has been performed for each task and is incorporated in this plan through task-specific hazard controls and requirements for monitoring and protection. Tasks other than those listed below require an approved amendment or revision to this plan before tasks begin. Refer to Section 8.2 for procedures related to "clean" tasks that do not involve hazardous waste operations and emergency response (Hazwoper).

### 1.1.1 Hazwoper-Regulated Tasks

- Monitoring Well Abandonment (oversight only)
- Brush Cutting (oversight only)

#### 1.1.2 Non-Hazwoper-Regulated Tasks

Under specific circumstances, the training and medical monitoring requirements of federal or state Hazwoper regulations are not applicable. It must be demonstrated that the tasks can be performed without the possibility of exposure in order to use non-Hazwoper-trained personnel. Prior approval from the Responsible Health and Safety Manager (RHSM) is required before these tasks are conducted on regulated hazardous waste sites.

#### **TASKS**

None

#### **CONTROLS**

- Brief on hazards, limits of access, and emergency procedures
- Post contaminant areas as appropriate (refer to Section 8.2 for details)
- Sample and monitor as appropriate (refer to Section 5.0)

### 1.2 Change Management

### **PROJECT HS&E Change Management Form** This evaluation form should be reviewed on a continuous basis to determine if the current site health and safety plan adequately addresses ongoing project work, and should be completed whenever new tasks are contemplated or changed conditions are encountered. Project Task: Project/Task Manager: **Project** Project Name: Number: **Evaluation Checklist** Yes No 1. Has the CH2M HILL staff listed in the original HASP changed? 2. Has a new subcontractor been added to the project? Is any chemical or product to be used that is not listed in Attachment 2 of 3. the plan? Have additional tasks been added which were not originally addressed 4. in Section 1.1 of the plan? Have new contaminants or higher than anticipated levels of original 5. contaminants been encountered? Has other safety, equipment, activity or environmental hazards been 6. encountered that are not addressed in Section 2.1 of the plan?

If the answer is "YES" to Questions 1-3, an HSP revision is NOT needed. Please take the following actions:

- Confirm that staff's medical and training status is current check training records at: http://www.int.ch2m.com/hands (or contact your regional SPA), and confirm subcontractor qualifications.
- Confirm with the project KA that subcontractor safety performance has been reviewed and is acceptable.
- Confirm with H&S that subcontractor safety procedures have been reviewed and are acceptable.

If the answer is "YES" to Questions 4-6, an HSP revision MAY BE NEEDED.

## TABLE 1 HAZARD ANALYSIS (Refer to Section 2.0 for Hazard Controls)

			PROJECT	ACTIVITIES		
POTENTIALHAZARDS	Monitoring Well Abandonment (oversight)	Brush Cutting (oversight)				
Abrasive Blasting						
Aerial Lifts						
Arsenic						
Asbestos						
Benzene						
Biological Hazards	Х	Х				
Cadmium						
Chainsaws		Х				
Chemical Hazard- Dermal/Inhalation						
Compressed Gas Cylinders						
Concrete Coring						
Concrete & Masonry Work						
Confined Space Entry						
Crane-Suspended Personnel Platforms						
Cranes						
Demolition	Х					
Diving						
Drilling						
Drum Handling						
Electrical Safety		Х				

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				PROJECT	ACTIVITIES		
POTENTIALHAZARDS	Monitoring Well Abandonment (oversight)	Brush Cutting (oversight)					
Energized Electrical Work							
Electrofishing							
Excavations							
Fall Protection							
Field Vehicles	х	Х					
Fire Prevention	х	Х					
Flight Line Hazards	х	Х					
Forklifts							
Formaldehyde							
Groundwater Sampling	X (water level measurement only)						
Hand & Power Tools	X	X					
Haul Truck Operations							
Heavy Equipment	X						
Hexavalent Chromium							
Highly Hazardous Chemicals, Toxics, Reactives (as defined by 29 CFR 1910.119)							
Hoists							
IDW Drum Sampling							
Ionizing Radiation							
Knife Use							
Lead							

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		PROJECT ACTIVITIES								
POTENTIALHAZARDS	Monitoring Well Abandonment (oversight)	Brush Cutting (oversight)								
Lockout /Tagout										
Manual Lifting	Х	Х								
Methylene Chloride										
Noise	Х	Х								
PCBs/Light Ballasts										
Powder-Actuated Tools	Х	Х								
Pressure Washing/Equip Decon	Х									
Pressurized Lines/Equipment	Х									
Radar Hazards	Х	Х								
Rigging										
Scaffolding										
Stairways and Ladders										
Steel erection										
Traffic Control	Х	Х								
Utilities (overhead only)	Х	Х								
Vacuum Truck/Pumping Operations										
Vinyl Chloride										
Visible Lighting	Х	Х								
Welding and Cutting	Х									
Work Alone										
Work Over Water										

## 2.0 Hazard Controls

This section provides safe work practices and control measures used to reduce or eliminate potential hazards. These practices and controls are to be implemented by the party in control of either the site or the particular hazard. CH2M HILL employees and subcontractors must remain aware of the hazards affecting them regardless of who is responsible for controlling the hazards. CH2M HILL employees and subcontractors who do not understand any of these provisions should contact the RHSM for clarification.

The health and safety hazards posed by field activities have been identified for each project activity and are provided in the Hazard Analysis Table (Table 1). Hazard control measures for project-specific and general H&S hazards are provided in Sections 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

In addition to the controls specified in this section, Project-Activity Self-Assessment Checklists are contained in Attachment 4. These checklists are to be used to assess the adequacy of CH2M HILL and subcontractor site-specific safety requirements. The objective of the self-assessment process is to identify gaps in project safety performance and prompt corrective actions in addressing these gaps. Self-assessment checklists should be completed early in the project, when tasks or conditions change, or when otherwise specified by the RHSM. The self-assessment checklists, including documented corrective actions, should be made part of the permanent project records.

Applicable project activity self-assessment checklists (see Attachment 4) shall be completed weekly by a CH2M HILL representative during the course of the project depending on the work performed at the time.

## 2.1 Project-Specific Hazards

#### 2.1.1 Chainsaws

Only chainsaws equipped with a park arrestor and fully functioning chain brake or "safety chain" shall be used. The following safety equipment shall be readily available while operating a chainsaw:

- Chainsaw operator's manual
- Fully stocked first aid kit
- Multipurpose fire extinguisher
- Foreign voltage detector (FVD) when topping utility poles
- Grounded extension cord approved for outdoor use and ground-fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) for electrical-powered chainsaws
- Approved safety gasoline container and funnel or flexible nozzle for refueling gasoline-powered chainsaws
- Sledge hammer and non-metallic wedges when necessary to prevent pinching of the chain

#### **PPE Requirements**

The following personal protective equipment shall be worn while operating chainsaws:

- Safety glasses with side shields or face shield to prevent injury from wood chips, sawdust, or other flying objects
- Hard hat with properly fitted suspension to prevent head injury from falling debris

- Steel-toed safety shoes or boots to prevent foot injury from falling objects and accidental contact with the moving chain
- Hearing protection to prevent permanent damage to hearing; ear muffs or plugs will have a decibel noise reduction rating (NRR) assigned to them. The higher the rating, the greater the protection offered
- Non-leather, fabric work gloves to prevent hand injury from abrasions, splinters, and cuts
- Clothing that is well-fitted and free of loose edges that could become entangled in the saw
- Protective chaps or leggings that cover the area from the groin to about 2 inches above the ankles should be considered; these chaps are made from synthetic fabrics that are designed to prevent the running saw chain from coming in contact with your legs

### Safe Operation

The following safe operation guidelines shall be followed regardless of the purpose for using a chainsaw:

- Inspect the chainsaw prior to use.
- Chainsaws shall be held firmly with both hands, with thumbs and fingers encircling both chain saw handles.
- Stand slightly to the left side of the saw, out of the plane of the cutting chain and guide bar to reduce the risk of injury in the event of a kickback.
- Position saw so that it is between the waist and mid-chest level. Overreaching or cutting above the mid-chest height shall be avoided.
- Maintain a full throttle setting while cutting. Chainsaws are designed run at full speed.
- Always be aware of what is in the saw's downward path after the cut.
- Do not attempt to cut material that is larger than the guide bar of the saw.
- Avoid cuts that will cause the chainsaw to jam. Always cut into the compression wood first until the cut starts to close; then cut from the other side toward the compression cut.
- Use a non-metallic wedge to prevent the compression cut jamming on the blade.
- Chainsaws are designed to feed themselves into the wood and require only light pressure to cut efficiently. If extra force is required to keep cutting, the chain requires sharpening. Additional signs of a dull chain include a saw that is cutting crooked, results in fine sawdust instead of chips, or the smell of burnt wood. Do not use a dull chain.
- Bystanders and helpers shall be kept at a safe distance from operation.
- Do not operate a chainsaw when fatigued; take frequent breaks.
- Work slowly; do not rush.
- A fire extinguisher shall be present at all times when operating the chainsaw in forest or brushy areas.

#### Refueling the Engine

The fuel for gasoline-powered chainsaws shall be mixed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations as outlined in the chainsaw operator's manual. Fuel shall be stored and transported in an approved safety container. The following precautions should also be followed:

- The engine shall be shut off and allowed to cool before refueling; never refuel a hot engine.
- A fire extinguisher shall be present during fueling and refueling.
- Smoking around fueling or refueling operations shall be prohibited.
- A funnel or a flexible nozzle shall be used to avoid spilling fuel on the engine.

#### 2.1.2 Demolition

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-305, Demolition)

An engineering survey shall be completed prior to start of demolition operations. The survey shall determine the condition of the structure framing, floors, and walls; the presence of asbestos, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), lead paint, or other regulated hazardous substances; the presence of hazardous materials in tanks, pipes, and equipment; and the possibility of unplanned collapse of any portion of the structure. Any adjacent structure where personnel may be exposed shall also be similarly evaluated. The survey shall be conducted by a competent person and a written record of the survey findings shall be maintained at the project site.

The demolition contractor working on this project will provide CH2M HILL with a demolition safety plan prior to the start of work. CH2M HILL will use this plan to verify that the subcontractor is implementing the necessary safety precautions during this activity. In addition, the following safety precautions shall be implemented by CH2M HILL personnel.

- Appropriate warning and instructional safety signs shall be conspicuously posted where necessary.
- Fugitive dust must be controlled during demolition by using water spray or other methods.
- Remain a safe distance from the demolition zone to reduce exposure to fragmentation of glass, steel, masonry, and other debris during demolition operations.
- Do not enter the demolition zone unless completely necessary, and only after the competent person has assessed the condition of the structure and has authorized entry.
- Follow all requirements established by the competent person. The competent person shall inform personnel of the areas that are safe to enter and the areas where entry is prohibited. When possible, the competent person should escort CH2M HILL personnel while in the demolition zone.
- All demolition activities that may affect the integrity of the structure or safety of personnel must cease until personnel have exited the demolition zone.
- During the course of demolition, work areas, passageways, stairs, ladders, and exits shall be kept free of demolition debris.
- Stay as clear as possible of all hoisting operations. Loads shall not be hoisted overhead of personnel
- Proper control measures shall be in place before welding or cutting on surfaces covered by coatings
  containing flammable or hazardous materials such as lead, cadmium, zinc, etc. Highly flammable or
  toxic coatings may require stripping of the coating a sufficient distance from the area to be heated.
  Welding and cutting shall be performed in accordance with the provisions of OSHA 1926, Subpart J,
  "Welding and Cutting." Follow "Welding and Cutting" SOP HSE-314.

#### 2.1.3 Electrical

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-206, Electrical Safety)

#### General Electrical Safety

• Only qualified personnel are permitted to work on unprotected energized electrical systems.

- Only authorized personnel are permitted to enter high-voltage areas.
- Do not tamper with electrical wiring and equipment unless qualified to do so. All electrical wiring and equipment must be considered energized until lockout/tagout procedures are implemented.
- Inspect electrical equipment, power tools, and extension cords for damage prior to use. Do not use defective electrical equipment; remove it from service.
- CH2M HILL has selected Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) as the standard method for protecting employees from the hazards associated with electric shock.
  - GFCIs shall be used on all 120-volt, single phase 15 and 20-amphere receptacle outlets which are not part of the permanent wiring of the building or structure.
- An assured equipment grounding conductor program may be required under the following scenarios:
  - GFCIs cannot be utilized
  - Client requires such a program to be implemented
  - Business group decides to implement program in addition to GFCI protection
- Extension cords must be equipped with third-wire grounding. Cords passing through work areas
  must be covered, elevated, or protected from damage. Cords should not be routed through
  doorways unless protected from pinching. Cords should not be fastened with staples, hung from
  nails, or suspended with wire.
- Electrical power tools and equipment must be effectively grounded or double-insulated UL approved.
- Operate and maintain electric power tools and equipment according to manufacturers' instructions.
- Maintain safe clearance distances between overhead power lines and any electrical conducting material unless the power lines have been de-energized and grounded, or where insulating barriers have been installed to prevent physical contact. Maintain at least 10 feet from overhead power lines for voltages of 50 kV or less, and 10 feet plus ½ inch for every 1 kV over 50 kV.
- Temporary lights shall not be suspended by their electric cord unless designed for suspension. Lights shall be protected from accidental contact or breakage.
- Protect all electrical equipment, tools, switches, and outlets from environmental elements.

#### **Portable Generator Hazards**

- Portable generators are useful when temporary or remote electric power is needed, but they also can be hazardous. The primary hazards to avoid when using a generator are carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning from the toxic engine exhaust, electric shock or electrocution, and fire.
- NEVER use a generator indoors or in similar enclosed or partially enclosed spaces. Generators can
  produce high levels of carbon monoxide (CO) very quickly. When you use a portable generator,
  remember that you cannot smell or see CO. Even if you cannot smell exhaust fumes, you may still
  be exposed to CO.
- If you start to feel sick, dizzy, or weak while using a generator, get to fresh air RIGHT AWAY. DO NOT DELAY. The CO from generators can rapidly lead to full incapacitation and death.
- If you experience serious symptoms, get medical attention immediately. Inform project staff that CO poisoning is suspected. If you experienced symptoms while indoors, have someone call the fire department to determine when it is safe to re-enter the building.
- Follow the instructions that come with your generator. Locate the unit outdoors and away from doors, windows, and vents that could allow CO to come indoors.

- Keep the generator dry and do not use in rain or wet conditions. To protect from moisture, operate
  it on a dry surface under an open, canopy-like structure. Dry your hands if wet before touching the
  generator.
- Plug appliances directly into the generator. Alternatively, use a heavy duty, outdoor-rated extension
  cord that is rated (in watts or amps) at least equal to the sum of the connected appliance loads.
   Check that the entire cord is free of cuts or tears and that the plug has all three prongs, especially a
  grounding pin.
- Most generators come with Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCI). Test the GFCIs daily to determine whether they are working
- If the generator is not equipped with GFCI protected circuits, plug a portable GFCI into the generator and plug appliances, tools, and lights into the portable GFCI.
- Never store fuel near the generator or near any sources of ignition.
- Before refueling the generator, turn it off and let it cool down. Gasoline spilled on hot engine parts could ignite.

#### 2.1.3.1 Electrical Shock

It is the current that passes through the human body that does the damage. The voltage is relevant, because it is the force that "pushes" the current through the body. Experiments show that 20 to 500 HZ AC current is more dangerous than DC, or higher frequencies of AC.

The voltage used by electrofishing gear can cause death by one of the following three means:

**Ventricular Fibrillation** – is uncoordinated contraction of the muscles of the heart. The heart quivers rather than beats. Electrical current through the chest can cause this condition. Once a person goes into ventricular fibrillation, the only way to stop the quivering is to use a defibrillator that applies a pulse shock to the chest to restore heart rhythm. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation may help to keep a victim alive until he can be defibrillated.

**Respiratory Arrest** – The respiratory center is at the base of the skull. Thus, shock to the head can cause the breathing to stop. Artificial respiratory by the mouth-to-mouth method should be used in this case.

**Asphyxia** – is caused by contraction of the chest muscles. When current is above a certain level, a person cannot let go of an electrically hot wire. Currents above this level may not cause ventricular fibrillation, but may be enough to cause contraction of the chest muscles. If the current is not stopped, or the victim is not removed from the point of electrical contact, asphyxia will result. Artificial respiration or cardiopulmonary resuscitation may be necessary.

### 2.1.3.2 Preventing Electrical Shock

Electricity needs to have a complete electrical circuit in order for current to flow. The only way that you can get shocked is if you become the electrical conductor to complete the circuit. The current flows from the cathode to the anode through the water. The water is the electrical conductor. If you touched both the anode and the cathode you would become an electrical conductor and complete the circuit path and get a severe electrical shock. If you were to touch only one of the electrodes, you would not complete the electrical circuit and not get shocked.

**WARNING:** Touching any electrode is not recommended. Unless all conductive objects you come into contact with are connected to the same electrode, you will be shocked to find a current path that is not obvious, (e.g., the water or the boat).

Preventing electrical shock means preventing electrical current from entering and flowing through parts of the body. The skin is a partial but variable barrier, because it offers resistance to the passage of

electrical current. Tough skin has more resistance that tender skin and dry skin more than wet skin. However, tough dry skin alone does not offer enough protection for electrofishing. Rubber lineman's gloves, rated 5,000V minimum should always be worn.

Even while wearing rubber gloves and waders, never touch an electrode while the circuit is energized. Do not work on electrical system while the generator is running. Do not enter the water while the current is on during boom shocking operations.

A severe electrical shock from electrofishing gear may result in the need for artificial respiration; therefore, it is imperative that no one ever works alone.

#### 2.1.4 Field Vehicles

- Field vehicles may be personal vehicles, rental vehicles, fleet vehicles or project vehicles.
- Fleet vehicles are equipped with emergency supplies. It is a project responsibility to equip all project vehicles with emergency equipment.
- Maintain both a First Aid kit and Fire Extinguisher in the field vehicle at all times.
- Utilize a rotary beacon on vehicle if working adjacent to active roadway.
- Car rental must meet the following requirements:
  - Dual air bags
  - Antilock brakes
  - Be midsize or larger
- Familiarize yourself with rental vehicle features:
  - Mirror adjustments
  - Seat adjustments
  - Cruise control features, if offered
  - Pre-program radio stations
- Always wear seatbelt while operating vehicle.
- Adjust headrest to proper position.
- Tie down loose items if utilizing a van.
- Pull off the road, put the car in park, and turn on flashers before talking on a mobile phone.
- Close car doors slowly and carefully. Fingers can get pinched in doors.
- Park vehicle in a location where it can be accessed easily in the event of an emergency. If not possible, carry a phone.
- Have a designated place for storing the field vehicle keys when not in use.

#### 2.1.5 Fire Prevention

- Fire extinguishers shall be provided so that the travel distance from any work area to the nearest extinguisher is less than 100 feet. When 5 gallons or more of a flammable or combustible liquid is being used, an extinguisher must be within 50 feet. Extinguishers must:
  - Be maintained in a fully charged and operable condition
  - Be visually inspected each month
  - Undergo a maintenance check each year
- The area in front of extinguishers must be kept clear.
- Post "Exit" signs over exiting doors, and post "Fire Extinguisher" signs over extinguisher locations.

- Combustible materials stored outside should be at least 10 feet from any building.
- Solvent waste and oily rags must be kept in a fire resistant, covered container until removed from the site.
- Flammable/combustible liquids must be kept in approved containers, and must be stored in an approved storage cabinet.

## 2.1.6 Flight Line Safety, General

Always assume that the airfield is active. An active airfield means there is the possibility, even if an area is "closed", that aircraft or other vehicles will need access on or through a work area. There is always the potential for an incursion. If in an area of the airfield where radio contact with the control tower is required, the potential for miscommunication exists. Any mistake in communication has the potential to cause a problem with Air Operations. When maneuvering on the airfield, there are fuel trucks, helicopter rotors, jet blast, etc., all of which are potential hazards for workers. Pilots of aircraft do not expect workers to be on the airfield. If equipment is not properly marked, it may go unnoticed by pilots and present the potential for an incursion.

An aircraft <u>always</u> has the right of way. When working in a confined area that is "closed" to traffic, outline the work area with traffic cones or barricades that will provide a warning to other airfield traffic. This will also serve to keep vehicles from running through wet paint. Have one person designated as the point of contact who will be responsible for monitoring the radio and communicating with the control tower. That person shall be properly trained in the use of the radio, and check in daily with Air Operations to confirm work areas. Properly train workers to be aware of airfield operations going on around them, to give way to all moving aircraft, to allow great distances from aircraft, parked or running, when maneuvering on airfield.

It is inherent upon the contractor to be visible to everyone operating on the airfield. Orange and white checkered flags, flashing amber beacons, cones and/or barricades should be in good condition and clearly visible.

Speed limits on airfield area are enforced. Speed limits on an airfield are very low relative to speeds on the roads. Speeding on the airfield can lead to a possible incursion. Restricted areas, particularly on a military installation, must be strictly enforced. They are usually outlined with a red line and often have certain "Entry Control Points" painted along the red line where entry into the area is permitted. Entry into the restricted area without permission may subject the workers to arrest.

There are safety areas around runways on the airfield. All equipment and materials must be stored behind these areas. If a crew working on the runway is instructed to clear the runway, all workers and equipment must be moved beyond the safety area until given clearance by the control tower to return to the runway.

## 2.1.7 Groundwater Sampling/Water Level Measurements

- Wear the appropriate PPE when sampling, including safety glasses, nitrile gloves, and steel toe boots (refer to Section 4).
- Monitor headspace of wells prior to sampling to minimize any vapor inhalation (refer to Section 5 on air monitoring).
- Use caution when opening well lids. Wells may contain poisonous spiders and hornet or wasp nests.
- Use the appropriate lifting procedures (see CH2M HILL SOP HSE-112) when unloading equipment and sampling at each well.

Avoid sharp edges on well casings.

- If dermal contact with the groundwater and acid used in sample preservation, wash exposed skin thoroughly with soap and water.
- Avoid eating and drinking on site and during sampling.
- Use ear plugs during sampling if sampling involves a generator.
- Containerize all purge water and transport to the appropriate storage area.

#### 2.1.8 Hand and Power Tools

(Reference CH2M HILL, SOP HSE-210, Hand and Power Tools)

- Tools shall be inspected prior to use and damaged tools will be tagged and removed from service.
- Hand tools will be used for their intended use and operated in accordance with manufacturer's instructions and design limitations;
- Maintain all hand and power tools in a safe condition.
- Use PPE (such as gloves, safety glasses, earplugs, and face shields) when exposed to a hazard from a tool.
- Do not carry or lower a power tool by its cord or hose.
- Portable power tools will be plugged into GFCI protected outlets; and
- Portable power tools will be Underwriters Laboratories (UL) listed and have a three-wire grounded plug or be double insulated.
- Disconnect tools from energy sources when they are not in use, before servicing and cleaning them, and when changing accessories (such as blades, bits, and cutters).
- Safety guards on tools must remain installed while the tool is in use and must be promptly replaced after repair or maintenance has been performed.
- Store tools properly in a place where they will not be damaged or come in contact with hazardous materials.
- If a cordless tool is connected to its recharge unit, both pieces of equipment must conform strictly with electrical standards and manufacturer's specifications.
- Tools used in an explosive environment must be rated for work in that environment (that is, intrinsically safe, spark-proof, etc.).
- When using a knife or blade tool, stroke or cut away from the body with a smooth motion. Be careful not to use excessive force that could damage the tool, the material being cut or unprotected hands.
- Working with manual and pistol-grip hand tools may involve highly repetitive movement, extended elevation, constrained postures, and/or awkward positioning of body members (for example, hand, wrist, arm, shoulder, neck, etc.). Consider alternative tool designs, improved posture, the selection of appropriate materials, changing work organization, and sequencing to prevent muscular, skeletal, repetitive motion, and cumulative trauma stressors.

## **Machine Guarding**

- Ensure that all machine guards are in place to prevent contact with drive lines, belts, chains, pinch points or any other sources of mechanical injury.
- Unplugging jammed equipment will only be performed when equipment has been shut down, all sources of energy have been isolated, and equipment has been locked/tagged and tested.

• Maintenance and repair of equipment that results in the removal of guards or would otherwise put anyone at risk requires lockout of that equipment prior to work.

## 2.1.9 Manual Lifting

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-112, Manual Lifting)

- Back injuries are the leading cause of disabling work and most back injuries are the result of
  improper lifting techniques or overexertion. Office or field tasks and activities involving manual
  lifting are to be identified and a program implemented to assist employees to mitigate the risks
  associated with manual lifting.
- When possible, the task should be modified to minimize manual lifting hazards.
- Lifting of loads weighing more than 40 pounds (18 kilograms) should be evaluated by the SC using the Lifting Evaluation Form contained in SOP HSE-112.
- Using mechanical lifting devices is the preferred means of lifting heavy objects such as forklifts; cranes, hoists, and rigging; hand trucks; and trolleys.
- Personnel shall seek assistance when performing manual lifting tasks that appear beyond their physical capabilities.
- In general, the following steps must be practiced when planning and performing manual lifts: Assess the situation before you lift; ensure good lifting and body positioning practices; ensure good carrying and setting down practices.
- All employees must receive training for the correct procedures to lift safely using the computerbased health and safety training or project-specific training.

#### 2.1.10 Noise

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-108, Hearing Conservation)

- A noise assessment shall be conducted by the RHSM or designee based on potential to emit noise above 85 dBA.
- Areas or equipment emitting noise at or above 90dBA shall be evaluated to determine feasible engineering controls. When engineering controls are not feasible, administrative controls can be developed and appropriate hearing protection will be provided.
- Areas or equipment emitting noise levels at or above 85 dBA, hearing protection must be worn.
- Employees exposed to 84 dBA or a noise dose of 50% must participate in the Hearing Conservation program including initial and annual (as required) audiograms.
- The RHSM will evaluate appropriate controls measures and work practices for employees who have experienced a standard threshold shift (STS) in their hearing.
- Hearing protection is selected based upon noise levels and specific tasks to be performed.
- Employees are trained in the hazards of noise and how to properly wear and maintain their hearing protection.
- Hearing protection will be maintained in a clean and reliable condition, inspected prior to use and after any occurrence to identify any deterioration or damage, and damaged or deteriorated hearing protection repaired or discarded.
- In work areas where actual or potential high noise levels are present at any time, hearing protection must be worn by employees working or walking through the area.

- Areas where tasks requiring hearing protection are taking place may become hearing protection required areas as long as that specific task is taking place.
- High noise areas requiring hearing protection should be posted or employees must be informed of the requirements in an equivalent manner.

## 2.1.11 Powder-Actuated Tools

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-210, Hand and Power Tools)

- Only trained personnel are permitted to operate powder-actuated tools.
- Inspect and test powder-actuated tools each day before they are loaded per manufacturer's instruction. Remove from service any tool that is not in proper working order.
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (eye, face, and hearing protection) when using powder-actuated tools.
- Never point powder-actuated tools at other workers, whether empty or loaded. Tools shall not be loaded until just before use. Never leave loaded tools unattended.
- Do not drive fasteners into very hard or brittle materials such as, cast iron, glazed tile, surface-hardened steel, glass block, live rock, face brick, or hollow tile.
- Avoid driving fasteners into easily penetrable materials unless backing is provided. Pins or fasteners can otherwise become flying missiles when they pass right through such materials.
- Use powder-actuated tools with the manufacturer's specified guard, shield, or other attachment.
- Do not use powder-actuated tools in explosive or flammable atmospheres.

## 2.1.12 Pressure Line/Vessel Systems

- Operate and maintain pressure vessels, pumps, and hosing in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.
- Do not exceed the rated pressure of the vessels and hosing of the system.
- The system must be provided with a pressure relief valve/controller that safely reduces the system pressure to within the system rated pressure.
- The pressure relief valve must be rated at no more than 110% the rated pressure of the system and must be tested at regular intervals.
- Each vessel must be equipped with a functioning pressure gauge to monitor pressure.

#### 2.1.13 Pressure Washing Operations

- Only trained, authorized personnel may operate the high-pressure washer.
- Follow manufacturer's safety and operating instructions.
- Inspect pressure washer before use and confirm deadman switch fully operational
- The wand must always be pointed at the work area.
- The trigger should never be tied down
- Never point the wand at yourself or another worker.
- The wand must be at least 42 inches from the trigger to the tip.
- The operator must maintain good footing.
- Non-operators must remain a safe distance from the operator.

- No unauthorized attachment may be made to the unit.
- Do not modify the wand.
- All leaks or malfunctioning equipment must be repaired immediately or the unit taken out-ofservice.
- Polycoated Tyvek or equivalent, 16-inch-high steel-toed rubber boots, safety glasses, hard hat with face shield, and inner and outer nitrile gloves will be worn, at a minimum.

#### 2.1.14 Radar Hazards

- Airports and all branches of the military use radar of significant power for buildings, towers, aircraft, ships, armor vehicles, and installations in general. Radar devices may emit harmful microwave radiation emissions.
- Microwave radiation is absorbed by the body and dissipated in the tissue as heat.
- The penetration ability of the radiation depends on the wavelength. Microwave wavelengths of 25-200 centimeters have the ability to reach the internal organs with potentially damaging effects. Wavelengths less than 25 centimeters are absorbed and dissipated by the skin and the human body is thought to be transparent to microwave wavelengths greater than 200 centimeters.
- The health effects of microwave radiation include deep burns and thermal damage to any organ or
  organ system with low blood flow, most notably the lenses of the eyes. If adequate time has elapsed
  between exposures, the repair mechanisms of the lens seem to limit damage.
- Studies have demonstrated that chronic microwave exposure can cause both psychological changes, disrupting task and function control, as well as chronic depression. Further studies suggest a possible relationship between mongolism (Down's Syndrome) in offspring and previous exposure of the male parent to radar; however, the study was not conclusive.
- Microwave radiation cannot be seen and its effects cannot be felt until serious damage has already occurred.
- Because of the inconclusive effects of microwave radiation, the Office of Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a conservative exposure limit of 10 milliwatts per square centimeter (10 mW/cm²) averaged over any 6-minute period.
- Warning signs must be posted in areas where potentially damaging microwave radiation exists.
- The prevention method for microwave radiation exposure is to not be in the path of radar or other microwave emitting devices by either ensuring that the device is not operating or ensuring that there is sufficient shielding between you and the microwave source.

#### 2.1.15 Traffic Control

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-216, Traffic Control)

The following precautions must be taken when working around traffic, and in or near an area where traffic controls have been established by a contractor.

- Exercise caution when exiting traveled way or parking along street avoid sudden stops, use flashers, etc.
- Park in a manner that will allow for safe exit from vehicle, and where practicable, park vehicle so that it can serve as a barrier.
- All staff working adjacent to traveled way or within work area must wear reflective/high-visibility safety vests.

- Eye protection should be worn to protect from flying debris.
- Remain aware of factors that influence traffic related hazards and required controls sun glare, rain, wind, flash flooding, limited sight-distance, hills, curves, guardrails, width of shoulder (i.e., breakdown lane), etc.
- Always remain aware of an escape route (e.g., behind an established barrier, parked vehicle, guardrail, etc).
- Always pay attention to moving traffic never assume drivers are looking out for you.
- Work as far from the traveled way as possible to avoid creating confusion for drivers.
- When workers must face away from traffic, a "buddy system" should be used, where one worker is looking towards traffic.
- When working on highway projects, obtain a copy of the contractor's traffic control plan.
- Work area should be protected by a physical barrier such as a K-rail or Jersey barrier.
- Review traffic control devices to ensure that they are adequate to protect your work area. Traffic control devices should: 1) convey a clear meaning, 2) command respect of road users, and 3) give adequate time for proper traffic response. The adequacy of these devices are dependent on limited sight distance, proximity to ramps or intersections, restrictive width, duration of job, and traffic volume, speed, and proximity.
- Either a barrier or shadow vehicle should be positioned a considerable distance ahead of the work area. The vehicle should be equipped with a flashing arrow sign and truck-mounted crash cushion (TMCC). All vehicles within 40 feet of traffic should have an orange flashing hazard light atop the vehicle.
- Except on highways, flaggers should be used when 1) two-way traffic is reduced to using one common lane, 2) driver visibility is impaired or limited, 3) project vehicles enter or exit traffic in an unexpected manner, or 4) the use of a flagger enhances established traffic warning systems.
- Lookouts should be used when physical barriers are not available or practical. The lookout continually watches approaching traffic for signs of erratic driver behavior and warns workers.
- Vehicles should be parked at least 40 feet away from the work zone and traffic. Minimize the amount of time that you will have your back to oncoming traffic.

## 2.1.16 Utilities (overhead)

## **Proximity to Power Lines**

No work is to be conducted within 50 feet of overhead power lines without first contacting the utility company to determine the voltage of the system. No aspect of any piece of equipment is to be operated within 50 feet of overhead power lines without first making this determination.

# Operations adjacent to overhead power lines are PROHIBITED unless one of the following conditions is satisfied:

- Power has been shut off, positive means (such as lockout) have been taken to prevent the lines from being energized, lines have been tested to confirm the outage, and the utility company has provided a signed certification of the outage.
- The minimum clearance from energized overhead lines is as shown in the table below, or the equipment will be repositioned and blocked to ensure that no part, including cables, can come within the minimum clearances shown in the table.

#### MINIMUM DISTANCES FROM POWERLINES

Powerlines Nominal System kV	Minimum Required Distance, Feet
0-50	10
51-100	12
101-200	15
201-300	20
301-500	25
501-750	35
751-1000	45

(These distances have been determined to eliminate the potential for arcing based on the line voltage.)

- The power line(s) has been isolated through the use of insulating blankets which have been properly placed by the utility. If insulating blankets are used, the utility will determine the minimum safe operating distance; get this determination in writing with the utility representative's signature.
- All inquiries regarding electric utilities must be made in writing and a written confirmation of the outage/isolation must be received by the Project Manager/Construction Manager prior to the start of work.

## 2.1.17 Visible Lighting

- While work is in progress outside construction areas shall have at least 33 lux (lx).
- Construction work conducted inside buildings should be provided with at least 55 lux light.
- The means of egress shall be illuminated with emergency and non-emergency lighting to provide a minimum 11 lx measured at the floor. Egress illumination shall be arranged so that the failure of any single lighting unit, including the burning out of an electric bulb will not leave any area in total darkness.

## 2.1.18 Welding/cutting with compressed Gas Cylinders

(Reference CH2M HILL, SOP-314, Welding and Cutting)

- Workers designated to operate welding and cutting equipment shall have been properly instructed and qualified to operate such equipment.
- Before welding or cutting is permitted, the area shall be inspected by the individual responsible for authorizing the welding or cutting operation. The authorization, preferably in the form of a written permit, shall detail precautions to be taken before work is to begin.
- Suitable fire extinguishing equipment shall be immediately available in the work area.
- Flame-resistant blankets shall be used to control sparks produced by welding and cutting operations from traveling to lower levels or adjacent surfaces.
- If the valve on a fuel-gas cylinder is found to leak around the valve stem, the valve shall be closed and the gland nut tightened. If this does not stop the leak, the cylinder is to be tagged and removed from service.
- Nothing should be placed on top of a cylinder or manifold that will damage it or interfere with the quick closing of the valve.
- Flow gages and regulators shall be inspected prior to use and removed from cylinders when not in use.

- Hoses, leads, and cables shall be not be routed through doorways and walkways unless covered, elevated, or protected from damage. Where hoses, leads, and cables pass through wall openings, adequate protection shall be provided to prevent damage.
- Flash arresters shall be installed at the torch handle.
- Arc welding electrodes shall not be struck against compressed gas cylinders to strike an arc.
- All arc welding or cutting operations shall be shielded by noncombustible or flame resistant screens to protect employees or other persons in the vicinity from the direct rays of the arc.
- Proper ventilation shall be provided to maintain the level of contaminants in the breathing zone of welders below applicable permissible exposure limits.
- Minimum personal protective equipment includes the following:
  - Safety-toed shoes or boots, hard hats, and safety glasses
  - Body protection (such as gloves, coveralls, or Tyvek) when chemical hazards exist
  - Hearing protection when working in close proximity to loud equipment and machinery
  - Protective clothing and gloves to prevent burns
  - Suitable eye protective equipment for the type of welding or cutting performed
  - Opaque screens to block arc flash from arc welding and cutting operations
  - Mechanical ventilation systems for welding and cutting operations conducted in enclosed or confined spaces
  - Air monitoring or sampling equipment to evaluate airborne concentrations of welding and cutting contaminants
  - Respiratory protection when airborne concentrations of contaminants exceed regulatory limits

## **Compressed Gas Cylinders**

- Cylinders being transported, moved, or stored shall have valve protection caps installed. When transported by motor vehicle, hoisted, or carried, cylinders shall be in the vertical position.
- Oxygen cylinders in storage shall be separated from fuel-gas cylinders or combustible materials by a minimum of 20 feet or by a noncombustible barrier at least 5 feet high having a fire resistant rating of at least one half hour.
- Inside of buildings, cylinders shall be stored in well-ventilated, dry locations at least 20 feet from highly combustible materials. Cylinders should be stored in definitely assigned places away from elevators, stairs, or gangways. Assigned storage areas shall be located where cylinders will not be knocked over or damaged.
- During use, cylinders shall be kept far enough away from the actual welding and cutting operations to prevent sparks, hot slag, or flames from reaching them. When impractical, fire resistant shields shall be provided.
- Cylinders containing oxygen or fuel-gas shall not be taken into confined spaces.
- If cylinders are frozen, warm (not boiling) water shall be used to thaw them.

## Welding and Cutting Equipment

- Fuel-gas and oxygen hoses shall be easily distinguishable from each other and shall not be interchangeable between fuel-gas and oxygen.
- Hoses shall be inspected at the beginning of each shift. Defective hoses shall be removed from service.
- Hose couplings shall be designed to be disconnected with a rotary motion, not by straight pull.

- Torches shall be inspected at the beginning of each shift for leaking valves, connections, and couplings. Defective torches shall be removed from service.
- Torches shall be ignited with friction lighters, not open flames or hot work.

## Arc Welding and Cutting

- Only manual electrode holders that are designed for arc welding or cutting and are capable of safely handling the maximum rated current shall be used.
- Only cable that is free from repair or splices for a minimum distance of 10 feet from the cable's attachment to the electrode holder shall be used.
- Any current-carrying part that arc welders or cutters grip in their hand, as well as the outer surfaces
  of the jaws of the holder, shall be fully insulated against the maximum voltage encountered to
  ground.
- The frames of arc welding or cutting machines shall be grounded. Grounding circuits, other than by
  means of the structure, shall be checked to ensure that the circuit between the ground and the
  grounded power conductor has resistance low enough to permit sufficient current flow to cause the
  fuse or circuit breaker to interrupt the current.
- When electrode holders are left unattended, the electrode shall be removed and the holder placed where it cannot harm employees.
- Hot electrode holders shall not be dipped in water to cool them.
- When welding or cutting is stopped for any appreciable length of time, or before the welding or cutting machine is moved, the power shall be shut off.
- Before starting welding or cutting operations, all connections to the machine shall be checked.

#### Toxic Fumes and Gases

- General mechanical or local exhaust ventilation shall be provided when welding or cutting in a confined space.
- Contaminated air exhausted from the work area shall be discharged into the open air or otherwise clear of the intake air.
- Other employees exposed to the same atmosphere as the welder or cutter shall be protected in the same manner as the welder or cutter.
- In enclosed spaces, all surfaces covered with toxic preservative coatings shall be stripped to a distance of at least four inches from the area to be heated, or the worker shall be protected with an air-line respirator.

#### Fire Prevention

- When the potential for an explosive atmosphere exists in the immediate area of welding or cutting operations, air-monitoring instruments shall be used to verify that no explosive atmosphere is present before or during welding or cutting operations.
- When welding or cutting on walls, floors, or ceilings, the same precautions shall be taken on the opposite side as for the welding or cutting side.
- Whenever openings or cracks in the floor, walls, or doorways cannot be closed, precautions shall be taken to prevent combustible materials in other areas from coming in contact with sparks.

- To prevent fire in enclosed spaces, the gas supply to the torch shall be shut off at some point outside the enclosed space whenever the torch is not in use or is left unattended.
- Drums or hollow structures that have contained toxic or flammable substances shall be filled with water or thoroughly cleaned, ventilated, and tested before welding or cutting on them.
- Before heat is applied to a drum, container, or structure, a vent or opening shall be provided to release built-up pressure during the application of heat.
- Before welding or cutting on any surface covered by a preservative coating whose flammability is unknown, a competent person shall test to determine its flammability.
- Preservative coatings shall be considered highly flammable when scrapings burn rapidly.
- When preservative coatings are determined to be highly flammable, they shall be stripped from the area to be heated.

## 2.1.19 Working Around Material Handling Equipment

- Never approach operating equipment from the rear. Always make positive contact with the operator, and confirm that the operator has stopped the motion of the equipment.
- Never approach the side of operating equipment; remain outside of the swing and turning radius.
- Maintain distance from pinch points of operating equipment.
- Never turn your back on any operating equipment.
- Never climb onto operating equipment or operate contractor/subcontractor equipment.
- Never ride contractor/subcontractor equipment unless it is designed to accommodate passengers and equipped with firmly attached passenger seat.
- Never work or walk under a suspended load.
- Never use equipment as a personnel lift; do not ride excavator buckets or crane hooks.
- Always stay alert and maintain a safe distance from operating equipment, especially equipment on cross slopes and unstable terrain.

#### 2.1.20 Working Alone

(Reference CH2M HILL Core Standard, Working Alone)

Personnel can only be tasked to work alone by the Project Manager who has assessed potential hazards and appropriate control measures, with assistance from the Responsible Health and Safety Manager (RHSM).

"Lone workers" with an automated person down system or an accountability system are permitted, depending on the hazards present.

#### Accountability Systems

- The employee shall at all times be equipped with a working voice communication device such as a cellular phone or two-way radio to check-in to their project contact (s) at pre-determined times.
- An Activity Hazard Analysis (AHA) shall be developed for the tasks allowing work alone and shall address check in frequency and contact names and phone numbers.
- Check-in or contact times must be based on the risk associated with the task, or the timeframe expected to complete the task, but at a minimum of at least two times during an 8-hour work shift.

Work tasks will cease if communication is lost during workday. Work may resume when communication is re-established. See Attachment 7 for Working Alone Standard to be used.

## 2.2 General Hazards

## 2.2.1 General Practices and Housekeeping

- Site work should be performed during daylight hours whenever possible.
- Good housekeeping must be maintained at all times in all project work areas.
- Common paths of travel should be established and kept free from the accumulation of materials.
- Keep access to aisles, exits, ladders, stairways, scaffolding, and emergency equipment free from obstructions.
- Provide slip-resistant surfaces, ropes, and/or other devices to be used.
- Specific areas should be designated for the proper storage of materials.
- Tools, equipment, materials, and supplies shall be stored in an orderly manner.
- As work progresses, scrap and unessential materials must be neatly stored or removed from the work area.
- Containers should be provided for collecting trash and other debris and shall be removed at regular intervals.
- All spills shall be quickly cleaned up. Oil and grease shall be cleaned from walking and working surfaces.
- Review the safety requirements of each job you are assigned to with your supervisor. You are not expected to perform a job that may result in injury or illness to yourself or to others.
- Familiarize yourself with, understand, and follow jobsite emergency procedures.
- Do not fight or horseplay while conducting the firm's business.
- Do not use or possess firearms or other weapons while conducting the firm's business.
- Report unsafe conditions or unsafe acts to your supervisor immediately.
- Report occupational illnesses, injuries, and vehicle accidents.
- Do not remove or make ineffective safeguards or safety devices attached to any piece of equipment.
- Report unsafe equipment, defective or frayed electrical cords, and unguarded machinery to your supervisor.
- Shut down and lock out machinery and equipment before cleaning, adjustment, or repair. Do not lubricate or repair moving parts of machinery while the parts are in motion.
- Do not run in the workplace.
- When ascending or descending stairways, use the handrail and take one step at a time.
- Do not apply compressed air to any person or clothing.
- Do not wear steel taps or shoes with metal exposed to the sole at any CH2M HILL project location.

• Do not wear finger rings, loose clothing, wristwatches, and other loose accessories when within arm's reach of moving machinery.

- Remove waste and debris from the workplace and dispose of in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations.
- Note the correct way to lift heavy objects (secure footing, firm grip, straight back, lift with legs), and get help if needed. Use mechanical lifting devices whenever possible.
- Check the work area to determine what problems or hazards may exist.

## 2.2.2 Personal Hygiene

- Keep hands away from nose, mouth, and eyes.
- Keep areas of broken skin (chapped, burned, etc.) covered.
- Wash hands with hot water and soap frequently prior to eating and smoking.

#### 2.2.3 Substance Abuse

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-105, Drug-Free Workplace)

Employees who work under the influence of controlled substances, drugs, or alcohol may prove to be dangerous or otherwise harmful to themselves, other employees, clients, the company, the company's assets and interests, or the public. CH2M HILL does not tolerate illegal drug use, or any use of drugs, controlled substances, or alcohol that impairs an employee's work performance or behavior. Drug and/or alcohol testing is applicable under CCI and munitions response projects performed in the United States. In addition, employees may be required to submit to drug and/or alcohol testing as required by clients. When required, this testing is performed in accordance with SOP HSE-105, Drug-Free Workplace. Employees who are enrolled in drug or alcohol testing are required to complete annual training located on the VO.

#### Prohibitions onsite include:

- Use or possession of intoxicating beverages while performing CH2M HILL work
- Abuse of prescription or nonprescription drugs
- Use or possession of illegal drugs or drugs obtained illegally
- Sale, purchase, or transfer of legal, illegal or illegally obtained drugs
- Arrival at work under the influence of legal or illegal drugs or alcohol

#### 2.2.4 Driving

- Always be aware of surroundings while operating a vehicle. Avoid intellectual stress & worries, talking on a cellular phone, eating, drinking, smoking, reading a map, adjusting controls or looking at a passenger while driving.
- Use prudent speed limits, assure that backup warning devices are working, be aware of blind spots or other hazards associated with low visibility, etc. Use a spotter if necessary.
- Do no drive while drowsy. Drowsiness can occur at any time, but is most likely after 18 hours or more without sleep.

#### 2.2.5 Hazard Communication

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-107, Hazard Communication)

The Hazard Communication Coordinator is to perform the following:

Complete an inventory of chemicals brought on site by CH2M HILL using Attachment 2.

- Confirm that an inventory of chemicals brought on site by CH2M HILL subcontractors is available.
- Request or confirm locations of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) from the client, contractors, and subcontractors for chemicals to which CH2M HILL employees potentially are exposed.
- Before or as the chemicals arrive on site, obtain an MSDS for each hazardous chemical.
- Label chemical containers with the identity of the chemical and with hazard warnings, and store properly.
- Give employees required chemical-specific HAZCOM training using Attachment 3.
- Store all materials properly, giving consideration to compatibility, quantity limits, secondary containment, fire prevention, and environmental conditions.

#### 2.2.6 Inclement Weather

Sudden inclement weather can rapidly encroach upon field personnel. Preparedness and caution are the best defenses. Field crew members performing work outdoors should carry clothing appropriate for inclement weather. Personnel are to take heed of the weather forecast for the day and pay attention for signs of changing weather that indicate an impending storm. Signs include towering thunderheads, darkening skies, or a sudden increase in wind. If stormy weather ensues, field personnel should discontinue work and seek shelter until the storm has passed.

Protective measures during a lightning storm include seeking shelter; avoiding projecting above the surrounding landscape (don't stand on a hilltop--seek low areas) and ceasing intrusive work inside a building (i.e. DPT), staying away from open water, metal equipment, railroad tracks, wire fences, and metal pipes; and positioning people several yards apart. Some other general precautions include:

- Know where to go and how long it will take to get there. If possible, take refuge in a large building or vehicle. Do not go into a shed in an open area.
- The inclination to see trees as enormous umbrellas is the most frequent and most deadly mistake. Do not go under a large tree that is standing alone. Likewise, avoid poles, antennae, and towers.
- If the area is wide open, go to a valley or ravine, but be aware of flash flooding.
- If you are caught in a level open area during an electrical storm and you feel your hair stand on end,
  drop to your knees, bend forward and put your hands on your knees or crouch. The idea is to make
  yourself less vulnerable by being as low to the ground as possible and taking up as little ground
  space as possible. Lying down is dangerous, since the wet earth can conduct electricity. Do not
  touch the ground with your hands.
- Do not use telephones during electrical storms, except in the case of emergency

Remember that lightning may strike several miles from the parent cloud, so work should be stopped/restarted accordingly. The lightning safety recommendation is 30-30: Seek refuge when thunder sounds within 30 seconds after a lightning flash; and do not resume activity until 30 minutes after the last thunderclap.

High winds can cause unsafe conditions, and activities should be halted until wind dies down. High winds can also knock over trees, so walking through forested areas during high-wind situations should be avoided. If winds increase, seek shelter or evacuate the area. Proper body protection should be worn in case the winds hit suddenly, because body temperature can decrease rapidly.

## 2.2.7 Shipping and Transportation of Chemical Products

(Reference CH2M HILL's Procedures for Shipping and Transporting Dangerous Goods)

Chemicals brought to the site might be defined as hazardous materials by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT). All staff who ship the materials or transport them by road must receive CH2M HILL training in shipping dangerous goods. All hazardous materials that are shipped (e.g., via Federal Express) or are transported by road must be properly identified, labeled, packed, and documented by trained staff. Contact the RHSM or the Warehouse Coordinator for additional information.

## 2.2.8 Ultraviolet (UV) Radiation (sun exposure)

Health effects regarding UV radiation are confined to the skin and eyes. Overexposure can result in many skin conditions, including erythema (redness or sunburn), photoallergy (skin rash), phototoxicity (extreme sunburn acquired during short exposures to UV radiation while on certain medications), premature skin aging, and numerous types of skin cancer.

Acute overexposure of UV radiation to the eyes may lead to photokeratitis (inflammation of the cornea), also known as snow blindness. Symptoms include redness of the eyes and a gritty feeling, which progresses to pain and an inability to tolerate any kind of light. This condition can also occur when working in or around water and other UV radiation reflectors. In addition, long-term exposure to sunlight is thought to cause cataracts or clouding of the lens of the eye.

## Limit Exposure Time

- Rotate staff so the same personnel are not exposed all of the time.
- Limit exposure time when UV radiation is at peak levels (approximately 2 hours before and after the sun is at its highest point in the sky).
- Avoid exposure to the sun, or take extra precautions when the UV index rating is high.

#### Provide Shade

- Take lunch and breaks in shaded areas.
- Create shade or shelter through the use of umbrellas, tents, and canopies.
- Fabrics such as canvas, sailcloth, awning material, and synthetic shade cloth create good UV radiation protection.
- Check the UV protection of the materials before buying them. Seek protection levels of 95 percent or greater, and check the protection levels for different colors.

#### Clothing

- Reduce UV radiation damage by wearing proper clothing; for example, long sleeved shirts with collars, and long pants. The fabric should be closely woven and should not let light through.
- Head protection should be worn to protect the face, ears, and neck. Wide-brimmed hats with a neck flap or "Foreign Legion" style caps offer added protection.
- Wear UV-protective sunglasses or safety glasses. These should fit closely to the face. Wrap-around style glasses provide the best protection.

#### Sunscreen

- Apply sunscreen generously to all exposed skin surfaces at least 20 minutes before exposure, allowing time for it to adhere to the skin.
- Re-apply sunscreen at least every 2 hours, and more frequently when sweating or performing activities where sunscreen may be wiped off.
- Choose a sunscreen with a high sun protection factor (SPF). Most dermatologists advocate SPF 30 or higher for significant sun exposure.
- Waterproof sunscreens should be selected for use in or near water, and by those who perspire sufficiently to wash off non-waterproof products.
- Check for expiration dates, because most sunscreens are only good for about 3 years. Store in a cool place out of the sun.
- Remember no sunscreen provides 100% protection against UV radiation. Other precautions must be taken to avoid overexposure.

### 2.2.9 Temperature Extremes

Each employee is responsible for the following:

- Recognizing the symptoms of heat or cold stress
- Taking appropriate precautionary measures to minimize their risk of exposure to temperature extremes
- Communicating any concerns regarding heat and cold stress to their supervisor or SC

#### 2.2.9.1 Heat Stress

#### General

**Physical fitness** influences a person's ability to perform work under heat loads. At a given level of work, the more fit a person is, the less the physiological strain, the lower the heart rate, the lower the body temperature (indicates less retrained body heat—a rise in internal temperature precipitates heat injury), and the more efficient the sweating mechanism.

**Acclimatization** is the degree to which a worker's body has physiologically adjusted or acclimatized to working under hot conditions. Acclimatization affects their ability to do work. Acclimatized individuals sweat sooner and more profusely than unacclimatized individuals. Acclimatization occurs gradually over 1 to 2 weeks of continuous exposure, but it can be lost in as little as 3 days in a cooler environment.

**Dehydration** reduces body water volume. This reduces the body's sweating capacity and directly affects its ability to dissipate excess heat.

The ability of a body to dissipate heat depends on the ratio of its surface area to its mass (surface area/weight). **Heat dissipation** is a function of surface area, while heat production depends on body mass. Therefore, overweight individuals (those with a low ratio) are more susceptible to heat-related illnesses because they produce more heat per unit of surface area than if they were thinner. Monitor these persons carefully if heat stress is likely.

When wearing **impermeable clothing**, the weight of an individual is not as important in determining the ability to dissipate excess heat because the primary heat dissipation mechanism, evaporation of sweat, is ineffective.

SYMPTOMS AND TREATMENT OF HEAT STRESS					
	Heat Syncope	Heat Rash	Heat Cramps	Heat Exhaustion	Heat Stroke
Signs and Symptoms	Sluggishness or fainting while standing erect or immobile in heat.	Profuse tiny raised red blister-like vesicles on affected areas, along with prickling sensations during heat exposure.	Painful spasms in muscles used during work (arms, legs, or abdomen); onset during or after work hours.	Fatigue, nausea, headache, giddiness; skin clammy and moist; complexion pale, muddy, or flushed; may faint on standing; rapid thready pulse and low blood pressure; oral temperature normal or low	Red, hot, dry skin; dizziness; confusion; rapid breathing and pulse; high oral temperature.
Treatment	Remove to cooler area. Rest lying down. Increase fluid intake. Recovery usually is prompt and complete.	Use mild drying lotions and powders, and keep skin clean for drying skin and preventing infection.	Remove to cooler area. Rest lying down. Increase fluid intake.	Remove to cooler area. Rest lying down, with head in low position. Administer fluids by mouth. Seek medical attention.	Cool rapidly by soaking in cool—but not cold—water. Call ambulance, and get medical attention immediately!

## **Precautions**

- Drink 16 ounces of water before beginning work. Disposable cups and water maintained at 50°F to 60°F should be available. Under severe conditions, drink 1 to 2 cups every 20 minutes, for a total of 1 to 2 gallons per day. Do not use alcohol in place of water or other nonalcoholic fluids. Decrease your intake of coffee and caffeinated soft drinks during working hours.
- Acclimate yourself by slowly increasing workloads (e.g., do not begin with extremely demanding activities).
- Use cooling devices, such as cooling vests, to aid natural body ventilation. These devices add weight, so their use should be balanced against efficiency.
- Use mobile showers or hose-down facilities to reduce body temperature and cool protective clothing.
- Conduct field activities in the early morning or evening and rotate shifts of workers, if possible.
- Avoid direct sun whenever possible, which can decrease physical efficiency and increase the probability of heat stress. Take regular breaks in a cool, shaded area. Use a wide-brim hat or an umbrella when working under direct sun for extended periods.
- Provide adequate shelter/shade to protect personnel against radiant heat (sun, flames, hot metal).
- Maintain good hygiene standards by frequently changing clothing and showering.
- Observe one another for signs of heat stress. Persons who experience signs of heat syncope, heat rash, or heat cramps should consult the SC to avoid progression of heat-related illness.

#### Thermal Stress Monitoring

The following procedures should be implemented when the ambient air temperature exceeds 70° F, the relative humidity is high (greater than 50 percent), or when the workers exhibit symptoms of heat stress.

- The heart rate should be measured by the radial pulse for 30 seconds, as early as possible in the resting period.
- The heart rate at the beginning of the rest period should not exceed 110 beats per minute, or 20 beats per minute above resting pulse.

- If the heart rate is higher, the next work period should be shortened by 33 percent, while the length of the rest period stays the same.
- If the pulse rate still exceeds 110 beats per minute at the beginning of the next rest period, the following work cycle should be further shortened by 33 percent.
- Continue this procedure until the rate is maintained below 110 beats per minute, or 20 beats per minute above resting pulse.
- Alternately, the oral temperature can be measured before the workers have something to drink.
- If the oral temperature exceeds 99.6 degrees F at the beginning of the rest period, the following work cycle should be shortened by 33 percent.
- Continue this procedure until the oral temperature is maintained below 99.6 degrees F. While an accurate indication of heat stress, oral temperature is difficult to measure in the field.

#### 2.2.9.2 Cold

#### General

Low ambient temperatures increase the heat lost from the body to the environment by radiation and convection. In cases where the worker is standing on frozen ground, the heat loss is also due to conduction.

Wet skin and clothing, whether because of water or perspiration, may conduct heat away from the body through evaporative heat loss and conduction. Thus, the body cools suddenly when chemical protective clothing is removed if the clothing underneath is perspiration soaked.

Movement of air across the skin reduces the insulating layer of still air just at the skin's surface. Reducing this insulating layer of air increases heat loss by convection.

Non-insulating materials in contact or near-contact with the skin, such as boots constructed with a metal toe or shank, conduct heat rapidly away from the body.

Certain common drugs, such as alcohol, caffeine, or nicotine, may exacerbate the effects of cold, especially on the extremities. These chemicals reduce the blood flow to peripheral parts of the body, which are already high-risk areas because of their large surface area to volume ratios. These substances may also aggravate an already hypothermic condition.

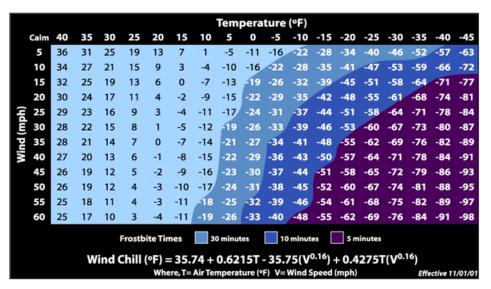
#### **Precautions**

- Be aware of the symptoms of cold-related disorders, and wear proper, layered clothing for the anticipated fieldwork. Appropriate rain gear is a must in wet weather.
- Consider monitoring the work conditions and adjusting the work schedule using guidelines developed by the U.S. Army (wind-chill index) and the National Safety Council (NSC).
- Wind-Chill Index (below) is used to estimate the combined effect of wind and low air temperatures on exposed skin. The wind-chill index does not take into account the body part that is exposed, the level of activity, or the amount or type of clothing worn. For those reasons, it should only be used as a guideline to warn workers when they are in a situation that can cause cold-related illnesses.
- NSC Guidelines for Work and Warm-Up Schedules can be used with the wind-chill index to
  estimate work and warm-up schedules for fieldwork. The guidelines are not absolute; workers
  should be monitored for symptoms of cold-related illnesses. If symptoms are not observed, the work
  duration can be increased.

- Persons who experience initial signs of immersion foot, frostbite, and/or hypothermia should report it immediately to their supervisor/PM to avoid progression of cold-related illness.
- Observe one another for initial signs of cold-related disorders.
- Obtain and review weather forecast be aware of predicted weather systems along with sudden drops in temperature, increase in winds, and precipitation.

SYMPTOMS AND TREATMENT OF COLD STRESS				
	Immersion (Trench) Foot	Frostbite	Hypothermia	
Signs and Symptoms	Feet discolored and painful; infection and swelling present.	Blanched, white, waxy skin, but tissue resilient; tissue cold and pale.	Shivering, apathy, sleepiness; rapid drop in body temperature; glassy stare; slow pulse; slow respiration.	
Treatment	Seek medical treatment immediately.	Remove victim to a warm place. Re-warm area quickly in warm–but <b>not</b> hot–water. Have victim drink warm fluids, but <b>not</b> coffee or alcohol. Do not break blisters. Elevate the injured area, and get medical attention.	Remove victim to a warm place. Have victim drink warm fluids, but <b>not</b> coffee or alcohol. Get medical attention.	





## 2.3 Biological Hazards and Controls

#### 2.3.1 Black Bears

Bears may inhabit wooded areas where there is scarce continuous human presence. Make your presence known-especially when vegetation and terrain make it hard to see. Make noise, sing, or talk loudly. Avoid thick brush. Try to walk with the wind at your back so your scent will warn bears of your presence.

Give bears plenty of room. Every bear has a "personal space" - the distance within which a bear feels threatened - that can be from a few feet to a few hundred feet. If you stray within that zone, a bear may act aggressively. Never approach bears, even if only out of curiosity, and never attempt to feed bears.

If a bear cannot recognize you, he may come closer or stand on his hind legs for a better view. You may try to back away slowly diagonally, but if the bear follows, stop and stand your ground. If the bear moves closer or acts aggressively, stay close together and wave your arms and shout.

Do not climb a tree - black bears are good climbers.

Do not run. Bears have been clocked at speeds of up to 35 mph, and like dogs, will chase fleeing animals. Bears often make bluff charges, sometimes up to 10 feet away without making contact. Continue waving your arms and shouting. Never imitate bears sounds or use high-pitched squeals.

If attacked, do not run. Clasp your hands tightly over the back of your neck or if you are carrying a backpack use it to protect your head and neck and remain still.

For Black bears, if the attack lasts for more than a few seconds, respond aggressively - use sticks, rocks, your fists or noise. Black bears will sometimes back off if they are challenged.

## 2.3.2 Bees and Other Stinging Insects

Bees and other stinging insects may be encountered almost anywhere and may present a serious hazard, particularly to people who are allergic. Watch for and avoid nests. Keep exposed skin to a minimum. Carry a kit if you have had allergic reactions in the past, and inform your supervisor and/or buddy. If a stinger is present, remove it carefully with tweezers. Wash and disinfect the wound, cover it, and apply ice. Watch for allergic reaction; contact the occupational nurse at 1-866-893-2514 immediately if a reaction develops or 911 if the reaction is severe.

## 2.3.3 Bloodborne Pathogens

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-202, Bloodborne Pathogens)

Exposure to bloodborne pathogens may occur when rendering first aid or CPR, or when coming into contact with landfill waste or waste streams containing potentially infectious material (PIM).

- Employees trained in first-aid/CPR or those exposed to PIM must complete CH2M HILL's 1-hour bloodborne computer-based training module annually.
- Hepatitis B vaccine (HBV) is offered to employees who may be exposed to PIM when they complete training and within 10 working days of assignment. (Note: Employees whose exposure stems only from rendering first aid as a collateral duty receives the vaccine after exposure.)
- Employees who decline the HBV vaccine must sign the declination form (contact regional Safety Program Assistant [SPA]) indicating they declined the vaccination. Anyone who declines the vaccination and chooses to receive the vaccination at a later time may still receive the vaccination by contacting the SPA.
- Hepatitis B and tetanus vaccinations can be requested by completing the medical portion of the enrollment form, located under Tools & Forms at the HS&E web page, or by contacting the regional SPA.

#### Work Controls

- Observe universal precautions to prevent contact with blood or other PIMs. Where differentiation between body fluid types is difficult or impossible, consider all body fluids to be potentially infectious materials.
- Consider all sharps encountered at industrial, medical, dental, or biological waste facilities or sampling locations to be contaminated and PIMs.

- Always wash your hands and face with soap and running water after contacting PIMs. If washing
  facilities are unavailable, use an antiseptic cleanser with clean paper towels or moist towelettes.
  These must be provided for employees who have been exposed to PIMs. When antiseptic cleansers
  or towelettes are used, always rewash your hands and face with soap and running water as soon as
  available. Do not consume food or beverages until after thoroughly washing your hands and face.
- Decontaminate all potentially contaminated equipment and environmental surfaces with chlorine bleach as soon as possible. Clean and decontaminate on a regular basis (and immediately upon visible contamination) all bins, pails, cans, and other receptacles intended for reuse that have the potential for becoming contaminated.
- Use one part chlorine bleach (5.25 percent sodium hypochlorite solution) diluted with 10 parts water for decontaminating equipment or surfaces after initially removing blood or other PIMs. Remove contaminated PPE as soon as possible before leaving a work area.
- Place regulated waste in containers that are closable; are constructed to contain all contents and prevent leakage of fluids during handling, storage, transport or shipping; are labeled with a Biological warning label or color-coded; and are tightly closed prior to removal to prevent spillage or protrusion of contents during handling, storage, transport, or shipping.

Employees who participate in waste characterization studies, sort or sample refuse, or contact medical, dental, or biological waste streams should follow these procedures:

- If exposure is anticipated, this group of employees should wear safety goggles or glasses, puncture-resistant utility gloves with inner latex glove liners, Tyvek coveralls, or cotton coveralls with a rubber apron, and puncture-resistant shoes or boots.
- If splash potential is present, employees should wear a full-face shield.
- If a respiratory hazard is present, a full-face respirator with HEPA filters should be worn.

#### Post Exposure

CH2M HILL will provide exposed employees with a confidential medical examination should an exposure to PIM occur. This examination includes the following procedures:

- Documenting the exposure
- Testing the exposed employee's and the source individual's blood (with consent)
- Administering post-exposure prophylaxis

## 2.3.4 Bird Droppings

Large populations of roosting birds may present a disease risk. The most serious health risks arise from disease organisms that grow in the nutrient-rich accumulations of bird droppings, feathers and debris under a roost — particularly if roosts have been active for years. In addition, insects that live on birds or their droppings may become a problem when the infested birds leave roosts or nests.

Histoplasmosis and cryptococcosis are caused by fungi. The diseases are transmitted to humans by airborne fungus spores from soil contaminated by pigeon and other bird/bat droppings. Most infections are mild and produce either no symptoms or a minor influenza-like illness. On occasion, the diseases can cause high fever, blood abnormalities, pneumonia and even death.

The best way to prevent exposure to fungus spores is to avoid situations where material that might be contaminated can become aerosolized and subsequently inhaled. A brief inhalation exposure to highly contaminated dust may be all that is needed to cause infection and subsequent development of fungal disease. Therefore, work practices and dust control measures that eliminate or reduce dust generation

during the removal of bat or bird manure from a building will also reduce risks of infection and subsequent development of disease.

If disturbing the droppings or removal is necessary, follow these controls:

- Use dust control measures (wetting with water or HEPA vacuuming) for all activities that may generate dust form the accumulated droppings.
- Wear Tyvek with hoods, disposable gloves and booties, and air-purifying respirators with a minimum N95 rating.
- Put droppings into plastic/poly bags and preferably into a 55-gallon drum to prevent bag from ripping

## 2.3.5 Cougars/Mountain Lions

Like bears, cougars will often retreat if given the opportunity. Walking in groups and making noise will give the cougar the chance to retreat and reduce the likelihood of a sudden encounter. Be especially cautious during dusk and dawn.

If you see a cougar—do not play dead, do not run. Running may trigger an attack. Face the cougar and retreat slowly maintaining eye contact. If the cougar continues advancing, raise your arms above your head to make yourself look larger than normal. This may help to intimidate the cougar. Sometimes aggressive yelling and rock throwing may scare it off.

If attacked, fight back with whatever is at hand (without turning your back) — people have utilized rocks, jackets, garden tools, tree branches, and even bare hands to turn away cougars.

## 2.3.6 Coyotes

Coyotes are found in some areas of the base. While far from domesticated, coyotes show little fear of humans and have become comfortable living in close proximity to our communities. Although they tend to do most of their hunting after dusk, coyotes can be active at any time. Under normal circumstances, a coyote is not a danger to humans. They are, however, territorial and will respond aggressively if they or their family are threatened.

If you encounter a coyote that behaves aggressively, you have probably gotten too close to its prey or its family. Try to scare the coyote by yelling and waving your arms. Throw rocks, sticks or other objects. Do not turn away and run.

#### 2.3.7 Feral Dogs

Avoid all dogs – both leashed and stray. Do not disturb a dog while it is sleeping, eating, or caring for puppies. If a dog approaches to sniff you, stay still. An aggressive dog has a tight mouth, flattened ears and a direct stare. If you are threatened by a dog, remain calm, do not scream, and avoid eye contact. If you say anything, speak calmly and firmly. Do not turn and run, try to stay still until the dog leaves, or back away slowly until the dog is out of sight or you have reached safety (e.g. vehicle). If attacked, retreat to vehicle or attempt to place something between you and the dog. If you fall or are knocked to the ground, curl into a ball with your hands over your head and neck and protect your face. If bitten, immediately scrub the bite site vigorously with soap and water. Report the incident to the local authorities. Seek medical attention as soon as possible.

#### 2.3.8 Hanta Virus

Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome (HPS) is a rare disease caused by a virus that can be transmitted from certain rodents to humans. Symptoms may develop between 14 and 31 days after exposure to infected rodents and their droppings and body fluids. Early symptoms include fatigue, fever, and muscle aches, especially the large muscle groups--thighs, hips, back and sometimes shoulders. These symptoms are ES060710163233DFW

universal. About half of all HPS patients also experience headaches, dizziness, chills, and/or abdominal pain. Four to 10 days after the initial phase of the illness, late symptoms of HPS may appear. These include coughing and shortness of breath, with the sensation of, as one survivor put it, a "... tight band around my chest and a pillow over my face" as the lungs fill with fluid, which can cause pulmonary shock, failure and death. If you develop symptoms suggestive of HPS, call the occupational nurse at 1-866-893-2514.

The presence of Hantavirus is recognized throughout the Southwest United States. Human infection may occur when infected saliva or excreta are inhaled as aerosols produced directly from the animal. Transmission may also occur when dried materials contaminated by rodent excreta are disturbed, directly introduced into broken skin, introduced onto the eye, or ingested in contaminated food or water. Personnel have also become infected after being bitten by rodents. In New Mexico, the Deer Mouse is the main carrier of the virus, with the Cotton Rat and the White-Footed and Brush Mice also identified as carriers. Therefore, all wild mice and rats should be considered potential Hantavirus carriers. Researchers do not believe that Hantavirus is transmitted to humans by any other types of animals besides rodents. There is currently no evidence that squirrels or rabbits carry Hantavirus. Dogs and cats do not carry the virus, but they may bring home infected rodents.

Inspect each crawlspace for evidence of rodents. If there is evidence, take precautions before and during clean up of rodent-infested areas. Before cleaning, attempt to trap the rodents and prevent entry. Spring-loaded traps that kill rodents are the preferred method. If you must reuse the traps, spray them thoroughly with bleach (1:10 with water) or other commercial disinfectant mixture. Dispose of trapped or deceased rodents carefully according to the guidelines detailed below. Do not trap rodents live, nor use glueboards or rodenticides. Mice that are poisoned may die in an inaccessible place, and Hantavirus can be released as the rodent decomposes.

Continue trapping operations as long as possible. If no rodents are captured, the active infestation has most likely been eliminated.

#### PPE shall include:

- Tyvek coveralls
- Rubber boots or disposable shoe covers
- Rubber, latex, or vinyl gloves
- Protective goggles
- Respiratory protection such as a full face or half-mask air-purifying respirator with a high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filter

Before starting clean up of the space, ventilate the space for at least 30 minutes to allow fresh air to enter the area. Use cross-ventilation and leave the space during the airing-out period.

Spray any urine, droppings, and nesting materials with either a bleach and water solution (1 part bleach to 9 parts water) or a household disinfectant prepared according to the label instructions for dilution and disinfection time. Soak well and let stand for 15 minutes. This will inactivate any virus. Use a paper towel or rag to pick up the materials and dispose of them.

Mop floors (if basement floor) after spraying them using bleach/water solution or a disinfectant. Dirt floors can be sprayed with either bleach and water solution or a disinfectant.

Personal protective gear should be decontaminated upon removal at the end of the day. All potentially infective waste material (including respirator filters) from clean-up operations shall be double-bagged in appropriate plastic bags.

### 2.3.9 Mosquito Bites

Due to the recent detection of the West Nile Virus in the Southwestern United States, it is recommended that **preventative measures** be taken to reduce the probability of being bitten by mosquitoes whenever possible. Mosquitoes are believed to be the primary source for exposure to the West Nile Virus as well as several other types of encephalitis. The following guidelines should be followed to reduce the risk of these concerns for working in areas where mosquitoes are prevalent.

- Stay indoors at dawn, dusk, and in the early evening.
- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants whenever you are outdoors.
- Spray clothing with repellents containing permethrin or DEET since mosquitoes may bite through thin clothing.
- Apply insect repellent sparingly to exposed skin. An effective repellent will contain 35% DEET (N,N-diethyl-meta-toluamide). Repellents may irritate the eyes and mouth, so avoid applying repellent to the hands.
- Whenever you use an insecticide or insect repellent, be sure to read and follow the manufacturer's DIRECTIONS FOR USE, as printed on the product.
- Note: Vitamin B and "ultrasonic" devices are NOT effective in preventing mosquito bites.

### Symptoms of Exposure to the West Nile Virus

Most infections are mild, and symptoms include fever, headache, and body aches, occasionally with skin rash and swollen lymph glands. More severe infection may be marked by headache, high fever, neck stiffness, stupor, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, paralysis, and, rarely, death.

The West Nile Virus incubation period is from 3-15 days.

Contact the project RHSM with questions, and immediately report any suspicious symptoms to your supervisor/PM and contact the occupational nurse at 1-866-893-2514.

#### 2.3.10 Poison Ivy, Poison Oak, and Poison Sumac

Poison ivy, poison oak, and poison sumac typically are found in brush or wooded areas. They are more commonly found in moist areas or along the edges of wooded areas. Shrubs are usually 12 to 30 inches high, or can also be a tree-climbing vine, with triple leaflets and short, smooth hair underneath. Plants are red and dark green in spring and summer, with yellowing leaves anytime especially in dry areas. Leaves may achieve bright reds in fall, but plants lose its (yellowed, then brown) leaves in winter, leaving toxic stems. All parts of the plant remain toxic throughout the seasons. These plants contain urushiol (you-ROO-shee-ol), a colorless or pale yellow oil that oozes from any cut or crushed part of the plant, including the roots, stems and leaves and causes allergic skin reactions when contacted. The oil is active year round.

Become familiar with the identity of these plants (see below). Wear protective clothing that covers exposed skin and clothes. Avoid contact with plants and the outside of protective clothing. If skin contacts a plant, wash the area with soap and water immediately. If the reaction is severe or worsens, seek medical attention.

Poison Ivy Poison Sumac Poison Oak







Contamination with poison ivy, sumac, or oak can happen through several pathways, including:

- Direct skin contact with any part of the plant (even roots once above ground foliage has been removed)
- Contact with clothing that has been contaminated with the oil
- Contact from removing shoes that have been contaminated (shoes are coated with urishol oil)
- Sitting in a vehicle that has become contaminated
- Contact with any objects or tools that have become contaminated
- Inhalation of particles generated by weed whacking, chipping, vegetation clearing

If you must work on a site with poison ivy, sumac or oak the following precautions are necessary:

- Do not drive vehicles onto the site where it will come into contact with poison ivy, sumac or oak.
   Vehicles which need to work in the area, such as drill rigs or heavy equipment must be washed as soon as possible after leaving the site.
- All tools used in the poison ivy, sumac or oak area, including those used to cut back poison oak, surveying instruments used in the area, air monitoring equipment or other test apparatus must be decontaminated before they are placed back into the site vehicle. If on-site decontamination is not possible, use plastic to wrap any tools or equipment until they can be decontaminated.
- Personal protective equipment, including Tyvek coveralls, gloves, and boot covers must be worn.
   PPE must be placed into plastic bags and sealed if they are not disposed immediately into a trash receptacle.
- As soon as possible following the work, shower to remove any potential contamination. Any body
  part with suspected or actual exposure should be washed with "Tecnu" or other product designed
  for removing urushiol. If you do not have Tecnu wash with cold water. Do not take a bath, as the
  oils can form and invisible film on top of the water and contaminate your entire body upon exiting
  the bath.
- Tecnu may also be used to decontaminate equipment.
- Use IvyBlock or similar products to prevent poison oak, ivy and sumac contamination. Check with
  the closest CH2M HILL warehouse to see if these products are available. Follow all directions for
  application.

If you do come into contact with one of these poisonous plants and a reaction develops, contact your supervisor and the occupational nurse 1-866-893-2514.

#### 2.3.11 Snakes

Snakes typically are found in underbrush and tall grassy areas. If you encounter a snake, stay calm and look around; there may be other snakes. Turn around and walk away on the same path you used to approach the area. If a person is bitten by a snake, wash and immobilize the injured area, keeping it lower than the heart if possible. Call the occupational nurse at 1-866-893-2514 immediately. **DO NOT** apply ice, cut the wound, or apply a tourniquet. Try to identify the type of snake: note color, size, patterns, and markings.

## 2.3.12 Spiders - Brown Recluse

It is regarded by many as the most dangerous spider in the United States. Because of interstate shipping/transportation, the Brown Recluse spider can be found most anywhere in the United States.

Brown Recluse Spiders are usually 1 inch or larger in size, including the legs and can grow as large as 3 inches. Young Brown Recluse spiders are smaller. Brown recluse spider bites do not always hurt right away. away. In fact, you may not know that you have been bitten until other symptoms appear. Symptoms of a brown recluse spider bite may include the following:



- Reddened skin followed by a blister that forms at the bite site
- Mild to intense pain and itching for 2 to 8 hours following the bite
- An open sore with a breakdown of tissue (necrosis) that develops within a few hours to 3 to 4 days following the bite and the area may become painful, itchy, hot, swollen, red and tender. An irregular ulcerous sore, caused by necrosis, will often appear that is from 1/4 inch to 10 inches in diameter. Prompt attention is the best defense against preventing the necrosis. The wound is often described as being reddish and surrounded by a bluish area with a narrow whitish separation in between the red and the blue. This gives it the famous "bull's eye" pattern. In just hours, a bite from the highly venomous Brown Recluse spider can create blisters and cause tissue damage.

Some people have a severe, systemic (whole-body) reaction to brown recluse spider bites, including the rapid destruction of red blood cells and anemia. Signs and symptoms include:

Fever and chills.

- Skin rash all over the body with many tiny, flat purple and red spots
- Nausea or vomiting
- Joint pain

If you think you have been bitten by a brown recluse spider:

- Remain calm. Too much excitement or movement will increase the flow of venom into the blood.
- Try to collect the spider, without being bitten, (even a mangled specimen has diagnostic value), if possible, for positive identification by a spider expert. A plastic bag, small jar, or pill vial is useful and no preservative is necessary, but rubbing alcohol helps to preserve the spider.
- Apply a cool, wet cloth to the bite or cover the bite with a cloth and apply an ice bag to the bite.
- Do not apply a tourniquet. It may cause more harm than benefit.
- Try to positively identify the spider to confirm its type.
- Seek prompt medical attention.

A brown recluse bite can be serious and will likely require immediate medical care. Seek medical attention if you believe you have been bitten by a recluse spider, especially if severe symptoms develop throughout your body or an open sore and necrosis develop. A brown recluse spider bite is diagnosed through a physical examination and questions about the bite. You should be prepared to describe the spider, where and when the bite took place, and what you were doing at the time. Your health professional will ask what your main symptoms are, when they began, and how they have developed, progressed, or changed since the bite.

## 2.3.13 Widow Spiders

The Northern Black Widow spider may be encountered in Northern Regions of the United States. Other similar widow spiders are the Red Widow and the Brown Widow. Female widow spiders range from 8-15 mm in body length; males are smaller, sometimes very small (2 mm). Most have globose, shiny abdomens that are predominantly black with red markings (although some may be pale and/or have lateral stripes), with moderately long, slender legs. These spiders are nocturnal and build a three-dimensional tangled web, often with a conical tent of dense silk in a corner where the spider hides during the day. In nature, most species are found under rocks and logs, but they readily adapt to human-altered environments, where they are most commonly found in outbuildings (sheds, barns, privies), water meter holes, nursery cans, and under any item or structure (e.g., barbeque grill, slide, sand box) that has been undisturbed for a lengthy period. Formerly, most bites by black widows (almost all by female spiders) occurred in outhouses, but presently, widow bites occur most frequently when the spider is trapped against human skin, either by reaching under objects where the spider is hiding or when putting on clothing, gloves or shoes containing the spider. Widow spiders are generally very timid and only bite in self-defense when they accidentally contact humans.

**Black Widow** 



Red Widow



**Brown Widow** 



Bite symptoms are systemic, spreading through the lymphatic system, and usually start about 1-3 hours after the bite. The most common symptoms are intense pain, rigid abdominal muscles, muscle cramping, malaise, local sweating, nausea, vomiting, and hypertension. Other symptoms may includetremors, labored breathing, restlessness, increased blood pressure, and fever. If left untreated, widow-bite symptoms usually last 3-5 days.

If bitten, remain calm, and immediately seek medical attention (contact your physician, hospital and/or poison control center). Apply an ice pack directly to the bite area to relieve swelling and pain. Try to collect the spider, without being bitten, (even a mangled specimen has diagnostic value), if possible, for positive identification by a spider expert. A plastic bag, small jar, or pill vial is useful and no preservative is necessary, but rubbing alcohol helps to preserve the spider. A hospital stay may be recommended, particularly for those with a heart condition or with health problems. A physician may administer a specific antivenin to counteract the venom or calcium gluconate to relieve pain. Calcium gluconate and/or antivenin may be administered to relieve or counteract symptoms.

## 2.3.14 Scorpions

#### **Basic Information**

Only a very small number of the over 1050 known species are dangerous to humans. Most produce a bee-sting like reaction in humans. It is very painful, but not life threatening. Scorpions are part of the natural environment. Most in the U.S. are not dangerously harmful; however, it is also important to remember that even a nearly nontoxic species can cause death if the victim has a severe allergic reaction to the venom.

## **Symptoms**

Some components in scorpion venom appear to have no other function than to cause localized pain or discomfort in the victim. In vertebrates, the systemic effects observed after scorpion envenomation are probably the result of the release of massive quantities of catecholamines from the victim's adrenal glands. The scorpion's venom, therefore, is not directly responsible for the severe manifestations we see in some cases. Instead, the neurotoxins induce the victim's own chemical communication system to destroy the victim's homeostatic functions.

Scorpions not considered of any medical importance (typical Southern Calif. Species) normally have venoms that are of low toxicity. These scorpions normally produce a localized reaction similar to that a honeybee sting. They would have to be several feet long before they could produce and inject enough venom into a person to kill them.

The presence of pre-existing medical conditions such as pneumonia, hypertension, and certain heart ailments can turn otherwise normal systemic reactions into life threatening situations. Persons with such conditions are at greater risk of severe envenomation than are healthy persons. Some people are allergic to scorpion venom in the same way that some are allergic to honey bee venom. In such cases, very severe effects, including death, can occur very rapidly and are not related to the toxicity of the venom. Deaths due to envenomation by non-medically important species are usually the result of allergy-induced anaphylactic shock.

Envenomations are usually categorized into two or three levels of severity: 1) localized effects, 2) systemic effects, and 3) systemic effects with central nervous system involvement. Localized effects are common to nearly all scorpion stings regardless of the toxicity of the venom. These symptoms are restricted to the site of sting and include intense pain, minor swelling, redness or induration, numbness, tenderness, and tingling. Intense pain normally subsides within one hour, giving way to numbness, tenderness, and tingling at the site of the sting. This normally results in the favoring of an affected limb. These symptoms normally fade after 24 hours.

If you are stung by a scorpion, call the occupational nurse 1-866-893-2514 and try to note the description of the scorpion

#### Prevention

When entering an area that has the potential to contain scorpions, the following PPE is recommended: long pants, long sleeved shirts with collars, hard hat with brim, leather work gloves and leather work boots. Reaching into enclosures or recesses without prior visual inspection is not recommended. Thoroughly inspect each area before accessing.

#### 2.3.15 Ticks

Every year employees are exposed to tick bites at work and at home putting them at risk of illness. Ticks typically are in wooded areas, bushes, tall grass, and brush. Ticks are black, black and red, or brown and can be up to one-quarter inch in size.

In some geographic areas exposure is not easily avoided. Wear tightly woven light-colored clothing with long sleeves and pant legs tucked into boots; spray **only outside** of clothing with permethrin or permanone and spray skin with only DEET; and check yourself frequently for ticks.

Where site conditions warrant (vegetation above knee height, tick endemic area) or when tasks warrant (e.g., having to sit/kneel in vegetation) that diminish the effectiveness of the other controls mentioned above, bug-out suits (obtained from MKE warehouse)/Tyvek shall be used. Bug-out suits are more breathable than Tyvek.

Take precautions to avoid exposure by including pre-planning measures for biological hazards prior to starting field work. Contact the MKE Warehouse for preventative equipment such as repellants, protective clothing and tick removal kits. Use the buddy system and perform tick inspections prior to entering the field vehicle. If ticks were not planned to be encountered and are observed, do not continue field work until these controls can be implemented.

See Tick Fact Sheet attached to this HSP for further precautions and controls to implement when ticks are present. Information includes the procedure for submitting a removed tick for testing. If bitten by a tick, follow the removal procedures found in the tick fact sheet, call the occupational nurse at 1-866-893-2514.

Be aware of the symptoms of Lyme disease or Rocky Mountain spotted fever (RMSF). Lyme: a rash might appear that looks like a bullseye with a small welt in the center. RMSF: a rash of red spots under the skin 3 to 10 days after the tick bite. In both RMSF and Lyme disease, chills, fever, headache, fatigue, stiff neck, and bone pain may develop. If symptoms appear, again contact the occupational nurse at 1-866-893-2514.

Be sure to complete an Incident Report (either use the HITS system on the VO) or see Attachment 5 if you do come in contact with a tick. For more detailed information go to HSSE website or contact the RHSM.

## 2.4 Radiological Hazards and Controls

Refer to CH2M HILL's Core Standard, Radiological Control and Radiological Controls Manual for additional requirements.

Hazards	Controls	
None Known	None Required	

## 2.5 Contaminants of Concern

Contaminants of Concern					
Contaminant	Location and Maximum <sup>a</sup> Concentration (ppm)	Exposure Limit <sup>b</sup>	IDLH <sup>c</sup>	Symptoms and Effects of Exposure	PIP <sup>d</sup> (eV)
Arsenic	GW: 142 μg/L SB: na SS: na	0.01 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	5 Ca	Ulceration of nasal septum, respiratory irritation, dermatitis, gastrointestinal disturbances, peripheral neuropathy, hyperpigmentation	NA
Cadmium	GW: 62 μg/L SB: na SS: na	0.005 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	9 Ca	Pulmonary edema, coughing, chest tightness/pain, headache, chills, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, difficulty breathing, loss of sense of smell, emphysema, mild anemia	NA
Cobalt (Metal, Dusts, and Fumes)	GW: 760 μg/L SB: na SS: na	0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	20	Coughing, difficulty breathing, wheezing, decreased pulmonary function, diffuse nodule fibrosous, dermatitis, respiratory hypersensitivity, asthma	NA
1,2-Dichloroethane (Ethylene Dichloride)	GW: 9.5 μg/L SB: na SS: na	1 ppm	50 Ca	CNS depression, nausea, vomiting, dermatitis, eye irritation, liver, kidney, and CNS damage; corneal opacity	11.05
Lead	GW: 12 μg/L SB: na SS: na	0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	100	Weakness lassitude, facial pallor, pal eye, weight loss, malnutrition, abdominal pain, constipation, anemia, gingival lead line, tremors, paralysis of wrist and ankles, encephalopathy, kidney disease, irritated eyes, hypertension	NA

#### Footnotes:

#### **Potential Routes of Exposure**

**Dermal:** Contact with contaminated media. This route of exposure is minimized through proper use of PPE, as specified in Section 4.

**Inhalation:** Vapors and contaminated particulates. This route of exposure is minimized through proper respiratory protection and monitoring, as specified in Sections 4 and 5, respectively.

**Other:** Inadvertent ingestion of contaminated media. This route should not present a concern if good hygiene practices are followed (e.g., wash hands and face before drinking or smoking).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Specify sample-designation and media: SB (Soil Boring), A (Air), D (Drums), GW (Groundwater), L (Lagoon), TK (Tank), S (Surface Soil), SL (Sludge), SW (Surface Water).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Appropriate value of PEL, REL, or TLV listed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> IDLH = immediately dangerous to life and health (units are the same as specified "Exposure Limit" units for that contaminant); NL = No limit found in reference materials; CA = Potential occupational carcinogen.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> PIP = photoionization potential; NA = Not applicable; UK = Unknown.

## 3.0 Project Organization and Personnel

## 3.1 CH2M HILL Employee Medical Surveillance and Training

(Reference CH2M HILL- SOPs HSE-113, Medical Surveillance, and HSE-110, Training)

## 3.1.1 Hazardous Waste Operations Training

All employees engaging in hazardous waste operations or emergency response shall receive appropriate training as required by 29 CFR 1910.120 and 29 CFR 1926.65. At a minimum, the training shall have consisted of instruction in the topics outlined in the 29 CFR 1910.120 and 29 CFR 1926.65. Personnel who have not met these training requirements shall not be allowed to engage in hazardous waste operations or emergency response activities.

## 3.1.1.1 Initial Training

General site workers engaged in hazardous waste operations shall, at the time of job assignment, have received a minimum of 40 hours of initial health and safety training for hazardous waste site operations, unless otherwise noted in the above-referenced standards.

Employees who may be exposed to health hazards or hazardous substances at treatment, storage, and disposal (TSD) operations shall receive a minimum of 24 hours of initial training to enable the employee to perform their assigned duties and functions in a safe and healthful manner.

Employees engaged in emergency response operations shall be trained to the level of required competence in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120.

## 3.1.1.2 Three-Day Actual Field Experience

General site workers for hazardous waste operations shall have received three days of actual experience (on-the-job training) under the direct supervision of a trained, qualified supervisor and shall be documented. If the field experience has not already been received and documented at a similar site, this supervised experience shall be accomplished and documented at the beginning of the assignment of the project.

## 3.1.1.3 Refresher Training

General site workers and TSD workers shall receive 8-hours of refresher training annually (within the previous 12-month period) to maintain qualifications for fieldwork. Employees engaged in emergency response operations shall receive annual refresher training of sufficient content and duration to maintain their competencies or shall demonstrate competency in those areas at least annually.

## 3.1.1.4 Eight-Hour Supervisory Training

On site management or supervisors who will be directly responsible for, or supervise employees engaged in hazardous waste site operations, will have received at least 8 hours of additional specialized training on managing such operations. Employees designated as SC-HW employees are considered 8-hour HAZWOPER Site Safety Supervisor trained.

The employees listed meet state and federal hazardous waste operations requirements for 40-hour initial training, 3-day on-the-job experience, and 8-hour annual refresher training. Employees designated "SC" have completed a 12-hour site safety coordinator course, and have documented requisite field experience. An SC with a level designation (D, C, B) equal to or greater than the level of protection being used must be present during all tasks performed in exclusion or decontamination zones. Employees designated "FA-CPR" are currently certified by the American Red Cross, or equivalent, in first aid and CPR. At least one FA-CPR designated employee must be present during all tasks performed in exclusion or decontamination zones. The employees listed below are currently active

in a medical surveillance program that meets state and federal regulatory requirements for hazardous waste operations. Certain tasks (e.g., confined-space entry) and contaminants (e.g., lead) may require additional training and medical monitoring.

Pregnant employees are to be informed of and are to follow the procedures in CH2M HILL- SOP HSE-120, *Reproductive Health*, including obtaining a physician's statement of the employee's ability to perform hazardous activities before being assigned fieldwork.

Employee Name	Office	Responsibility	SC/FA-CPR
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#### 3.2 Field Team Chain of Command and Communication Procedures

#### 3.2.1 Client

Contact Name: Jody Murata

Phone: (301) 836-7427

**Facility Contact Name: TGst Brent Lynch** 

Phone: (315) 233-2111

#### 3.2.2 CH2M HILL

Program Manager: Dan Marion Project Manager (PM): Brian Wied

Responsible Health and Safety Manager (RHSM): Michael Goldman

Field Team Leader: TBD Safety Coordinator (SC): TBD

The PM is responsible for providing adequate resources (budget and staff) for project-specific implementation of the HS&E management process. The PM has overall management responsibility for the tasks listed below. The PM may explicitly delegate specific tasks to other staff, as described in sections that follow, but retains ultimate responsibility for completion of the following in accordance with this SOP:

- Include standard terms and conditions, and contract-specific HS&E roles and responsibilities in contract and subcontract agreements (including flow-down requirements to lower-tier subcontractors).
- Select safe and competent subcontractors by:
  - Obtaining, reviewing and accepting or rejecting subcontractor pre-qualification questionnaires.
  - Ensuring that acceptable certificates of insurance, including CH2M HILL as named additional insured, are secured as a condition of subcontract award.

- Including HS&E submittals checklist in subcontract agreements, and ensuring that appropriate site-specific safety procedures, training and medical monitoring records are reviewed and accepted prior to the start of subcontractor's field operations.
- Maintain copies of subcontracts and subcontractor certificates of insurance (including CH2M HILL as named additional insured), bond, contractor's license, training and medical monitoring records, and site-specific safety procedures in the project file accessible to site personnel.
- Provide oversight of subcontractor HS&E practices per the site-specific safety plan.
- Manage the site and interfacing with third parties in a manner consistent with our contract and subcontract agreements and the applicable standard of reasonable care.
- Ensure that the overall, job-specific, HS&E goals are fully and continuously implemented.

#### The CH2M HILL RHSM is responsible for:

- Review and accept or reject subcontractor pre-qualification questionnaires that fall outside the performance range delegated to the Contracts Administrator (KA).
- Review and accept or reject subcontractor training records and site-specific safety procedures prior to start of subcontractor's field operations.
- Support the oversight of subcontractor (and lower-tier subcontractors) HS&E practices and interfaces with onsite third parties per the site-specific safety plan.

# The SC is responsible for verifying that the project is conducted in a safe manner including the following specific obligations:

- Verify this HSP is current and amended when project activities or conditions change.
- Verify CH2M HILL site personnel and subcontractor personnel read the HSP and sign Attachment 1, Employee Sign-Off Form, prior to commencing field activities.
- Verify CH2M HILL site personnel and subcontractor personnel have completed any required specialty training (e.g., fall protection, confined space entry) and medical surveillance as identified in Section 2.
- Verify compliance with the requirements of this HSP and applicable subcontractor health and safety plan(s).
- Act as the project "Hazard Communication Coordinator" and perform the responsibilities outlined in Section 2.2.2.
- Act as the project "Emergency Response Coordinator" and perform the responsibilities outlined in Section 9.
- Post OSHA job-site poster; the poster is required at sites where project field offices, trailers, or equipment-storage boxes are established.
- Verify that safety meetings are conducted and documented in the project file initially and as needed throughout the course of the project (e.g., as tasks or hazards change).
- Verify that project H&S forms and permits, found in Attachment 4 and 5, are being used as outlined in Section 2.
- Perform oversight and/or assessments of subcontractor HS&E practices per the site-specific safety plan and verify that project activity self-assessment checklists, found in Attachment 4, are being used as outlined in Section 2.
- Verify that project files available to site personnel include copies of executed subcontracts and subcontractor certificates of insurance (including CH2M HILL as named additional insured), bond,

contractor's license, training and medical monitoring records, and site-specific safety procedures prior to start of subcontractor's field operations.

- Manage the site and interfacing with third parties in a manner consistent with our contract/subcontract agreements and the applicable standard of reasonable care.
- Coordinate with the RHSM regarding CH2M HILL and subcontractor operational performance, and third party interfaces.
- Ensure that the overall, job-specific, HS&E goals are fully and continuously implemented.

The training required for the SC is as follows:

- SC-Initial and SC-Construction or SC-HW
- OSHA 10-hour course for Construction
- First Aid and CPR
- Relevant Competent Person Courses (excavation, confined space, scaffold, fall protection, etc.).

The SC is responsible for contacting the Field Team Leader and Project Manager. In general, the Project Manager will contact the client. The RHSM should be contacted as appropriate.

#### 3.2.3 CH2M HILL Subcontractors

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-215, Contracts and Subcontracts)

Subcontractor: Parratt Wolff

Subcontractor Contact Name: Joel Parratt

Telephone: (315) 437-1429, ext 23

The subcontractor listed above is required to submit its own Site-Specific HSP. Other plans, such as Lead or Asbestos Abatement Compliance plans may be required as well. Subcontractors are responsible for the health and safety procedures specific to their work, and are required to submit their plans to CH2M HILL for review before the start of field work.

The subcontractor is also required to prepare an Activity Hazard Analysis (AHA) before beginning each activity posing H&S hazards to their personnel using the AHA form provided in Attachment 5 as a guide. The AHA shall identify the principle steps of the activity, potential H&S hazards for each step and recommended control measures for each identified hazard. In addition, a listing of the equipment to be used to perform the activity, inspection requirements, and training requirements for the safe operation of the equipment listed must be identified.

CH2M HILL should continuously endeavor to observe subcontractors' safety performance and adherence to their Accident Prevention Plan and AHAs. This endeavor should be reasonable, and include observing for hazards or unsafe practices that are both readily observable and occur in common work areas. CH2M HILL is not responsible for exhaustive observation for hazards and unsafe practices. Self-assessment checklists contained in Attachment 4 are to be used by CH2M HILL personnel to review subcontractor performance. CH2M HILL oversight does not relieve subcontractors of their responsibility for effective implementation and compliance with the established plan(s).

Health and safety related communications with CH2M HILL subcontractors should be conducted as follows:

- Brief subcontractors on the provisions of this plan, and require them to sign the Employee Signoff Form included in Attachment 1.
- Request subcontractor(s) to brief project team on the hazards and precautions related to their work.

- When apparent non-compliance/unsafe conditions or practices are observed, notify the subcontractor safety representative and require corrective action the subcontractor is responsible for determining and implementing necessary controls and corrective actions.
- When repeat non-compliance/unsafe conditions are observed, notify the subcontractor safety representative and stop affected work until adequate corrective measures are implemented.
- When an apparent imminent danger exists, immediately remove all affected CH2M HILL employees and subcontractors, notify subcontractor safety representative, and stop affected work until adequate corrective measures are implemented. Notify the PM and RHSM as appropriate.
- Document all oral health and safety related communications in project field logbook, daily reports, or other records.

# 4.0 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

(Reference CH2M HILL- SOP HSE-117, Personal Protective Equipment)

#### 4.1 Required PPE

- PPE must be worn by employees when actual or potential hazards exist and engineering controls or administrative practices cannot adequately control those hazards.
- A PPE assessment has been conducted by the RHSM based on project tasks (see PPE specifications below). Verification and certification of assigned PPE by task is completed by the RHSM or designee.
- Employees must be trained to properly wear and maintain the PPE.
- In work areas where actual or potential hazards are present at any time, PPE must be worn by employees working or walking through the area.
- Areas requiring PPE should be posted or employees must be informed of the requirements in an equivalent manner.
- PPE must be inspected prior to use and after any occurrence to identify any deterioration or damage.
- PPE must be maintained in a clean and reliable condition.
- Damaged PPE shall not be used and must either be repaired or discarded.
- PPE shall not be modified, tampered with, or repaired beyond routine maintenance.

The table below outlines PPE to be used according to task based on project-specific hazard assessment. If a task other than the tasks described in this table needs to be performed, contact the RHSM so this table can be updated.

**Project-Specific PPE Requirements**<sup>a</sup>

Task	Level	Body	Head	Respirator <sup>b</sup>
General site entry Surveying Bush Cutting	D	Work clothes; safety toed leather work boots and gloves	Hardhat <sup>c</sup> Safety glasses with side shields Ear protection <sup>d</sup>	None required
Monitoring Well Abandonment Investigation-derived waste (drum) sampling and disposal	Modified D	Work clothes or cotton coveralls  Boots: Safety-toe, chemical-resistant boots OR Safety -toe, leather work boots with outer rubber boot covers  Gloves: Inner surgical-style nitrile & outer chemical-resistant nitrile gloves.	Hardhat <sup>c</sup> Safety glasses with side shields Ear protection <sup>d</sup>	None required
Work near vehicular traffic ways or earth moving equipment.	All	Appropriate level of ANSI/ISEA 107-2004 high-visibility safety vests.	Work near vehicular traffic ways or earth moving equipment.	
Equipment decontamination if using pressure washer	Modified D with splash protection	Coveralls: Polycoated Tyvek® Boots: 16-inch-high steel-toed rubber boots Gloves: Inner surgical-style nitrile & outer chemical-resistant nitrile gloves.	Hardhat <sup>c</sup> Splash shield <sup>c</sup> over safety glasses with side shields or splash goggles Ear protection <sup>d</sup>	None required.

#### **Project-Specific PPE Requirements**<sup>a</sup>

Task	Level	Body	Head	Respirator <sup>b</sup>
Tasks requiring upgrade	С	Coveralls: Polycoated Tyvek®  Boots: Safety -toe, chemical-resistant boots OR Safety -toe, leather work boots with outer rubber boot covers  Gloves: Inner surgical-style nitrile & outer chemical-resistant nitrile gloves.	Hardhat <sup>c</sup> Splash shield <sup>c</sup> Ear protection <sup>d</sup> Spectacle inserts	APR, full face, MSA Ultratwin or equivalent; with GME-H cartridges or equivalent <sup>e</sup> .

# Reasons for Upgrading or Downgrading Level of Protection with approval of HSM

	Upgrade <sup>f</sup>		Downgrade
•	Request from individual performing tasks. Change in work tasks that will increase contact or potential	•	New information indicating that situation is less hazardous than originally thought.
•	contact with hazardous materials.  Occurrence or likely occurrence of gas or vapor emission.	•	Change in site conditions that decrease the hazard.
•	Known or suspected presence of dermal hazards. Instrument action levels (Section 5) exceeded.	•	Change in work task that will reduce contact with hazardous materials.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Modifications are as indicated. CH2M HILL will provide PPE only to CH2M HILL employees.

#### **PPE Certification**

I certify that the PPE requirements listed in the table above for the associated tasks are based upon the project-specific hazard assessment I performed.

Michael Goldman	06/08/10	06/08/10
Name	Date of	Date(s) of Project Hazard
	Certification	Assessment

## 4.2 Respiratory Protection

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-121, Respiratory Protection)

- Respirator users must have completed appropriate respirator training within the past 12 months. Level C training is required for air-purifying respirators (APR) use and Level B training is required for supplied-air respirators (SAR) and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) use. Specific training is required for the use of powered air-purifying respirators (PAPR).
- Respirator users must complete the respirator medical monitoring protocol and been approved for the specific type of respirator to be used.
- Tight-fitting facepiece respirator (negative or positive pressure) users must have passed an appropriate fit test within past 12 months.
- Respirator use shall be limited to those activities identified in this plan. If site conditions change that
  alters the effectiveness of the specified respiratory protection, the RHSM shall be notified to amend
  the written plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> No facial hair that would interfere with respirator fit is permitted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Hardhat and splash-shield areas are to be determined by the SC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> Ear protection should be worn when conversations cannot be held at distances of 3 feet or less without shouting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>e</sup> See cartridge change-out schedule in Section 4.2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>f</sup> Performing a task that requires an upgrade to a higher level of protection (e.g., Level D to Level C) is permitted only when the PPE requirements have been approved by the RHSM, and an SC qualified at that level is present.

- Tight-fitting facepiece respirator users shall be clean-shaven and shall perform a user seal check before each use.
- Canisters/cartridges shall be replaced according to the change-out schedule specified in this plan. Respirator users shall notify the SC or RHSM of any detection of vapor or gas breakthrough. The SC shall report any breakthrough events to the RHSM for schedule upgrade.
- Respirators in regular use shall be inspected before each use and during cleaning
- Respirators in regular use shall be cleaned and disinfected as often as necessary to ensure they are maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.
- Respirators shall be properly stored to protect against contamination and deformation.
- Field repair of respirators shall be limited to routine maintenance. Defective respirators shall be removed from service.
- When breathing air is supplied by cylinder or compressor, the SC or RHSM shall verify the air meets Grade D air specifications.
- The SC or designee shall complete the H&S Self-Assessment Checklist Respiratory Protection included in Attachment 4 of this plan to verify compliance with CH2M HILL's respiratory protection program.

#### Respirator Change-Out Schedule

Contaminant	Change-Out Schedule
DCE	End-of-service life or end of shift (whichever occurs first)

# 5.0 Air Monitoring/Sampling

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-207, Exposure Monitoring for Airborne Chemical Hazards)

# 5.1 Air Monitoring Specifications

Air monitoring is not necessary based on analytical results from groundwater samples collected at Sites 1, 2, 3, and 4; refer to Section 2.5 for additional details.

Instrument	Tasks	Action Levels <sup>a</sup>	Action to be Taken when Action Level reached	Frequency <sup>b</sup>	Calibration
PID: MiniRAE PID with 10.6 eV lamp or equivalent	Well Abandonment	<1 ppm 1 to 10 ppm > 10 ppm	Level D Level C Evacuate work area and contact HSM	Initially and periodically during task	Daily

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Action levels apply to sustained breathing-zone measurements above background.

The exact frequency of monitoring depends on field conditions and is to be determined by the SC; generally, every 5 to 15 minutes if acceptable; more frequently may be appropriate. Monitoring results shall be recorded. Documentation should include instrument and calibration information, time, measurement results, personnel monitored, and place/location where measurement is taken (e.g., "Breathing Zone/MW-3", "at surface/SB-2", etc.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> If the measured percent of O<sub>2</sub> is less than 10, an accurate LEL reading will not be obtained. Percent LEL and percent O<sub>2</sub> action levels apply only to ambient working atmospheres, and not to confined-space entry. More-stringent percent LEL and O<sub>2</sub> action levels are required for confined-space entry (refer to Section 2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup>Noise monitoring and audiometric testing also required.

### 5.2 Calibration Specifications

(Refer to the respective manufacturer's instructions for proper instrument-maintenance procedures)

Instrument	Gas	Span	Reading	Method
<b>PID:</b> OVM, 10.6 or 11.8 eV bulb	100 ppm isobutylene	RF = 1.0	100 ppm	1.5 lpm reg T- tubing
PID: MiniRAE, 10.6 eV bulb	100 ppm isobutylene	CF = 100	100 ppm	1.5 lpm reg T-tubing
<b>PID:</b> TVA 1000	100 ppm isobutylene	CF = 1.0	100 ppm	1.5 lpm reg T-tubing

## 5.3 Air Sampling

Sampling, in addition to real-time monitoring, may be required by other OSHA regulations where there may be exposure to certain contaminants. Air sampling typically is required when site contaminants include lead, cadmium, arsenic, asbestos, and certain volatile organic compounds. Contact the HSM immediately if these contaminants are encountered.

#### **Method Description**

NA

#### **Personnel and Areas**

Results must be sent immediately to the RHSM. Regulations may require reporting to monitored personnel. Results reported to:

HSM: Michael Goldman Other: Mark Orman

## 6.0 Decontamination

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-218, Hazardous Waste Operations)

The SC must establish and monitor the decontamination procedures and their effectiveness. Decontamination procedures found to be ineffective will be modified by the SC. The SC must ensure that procedures are established for disposing of materials generated on the site.

#### 6.1 Decontamination Specifications

#### **Personnel**

- Boot wash/rinse
- Glove wash/rinse
- Outer-glove removal
- Body-suit removal
- Inner-glove removal
- Respirator removal
- Hand wash/rinse
- Face wash/rinse
- Shower ASAP
- Dispose of PPE in municipal trash, or contain for disposal
- Dispose of personnel rinse water to facility or sanitary sewer, or contain for offsite disposal

#### **Sample Equipment**

- Wash/rinse equipment
- Solvent-rinse equipment
- Contain solvent waste for offsite disposal

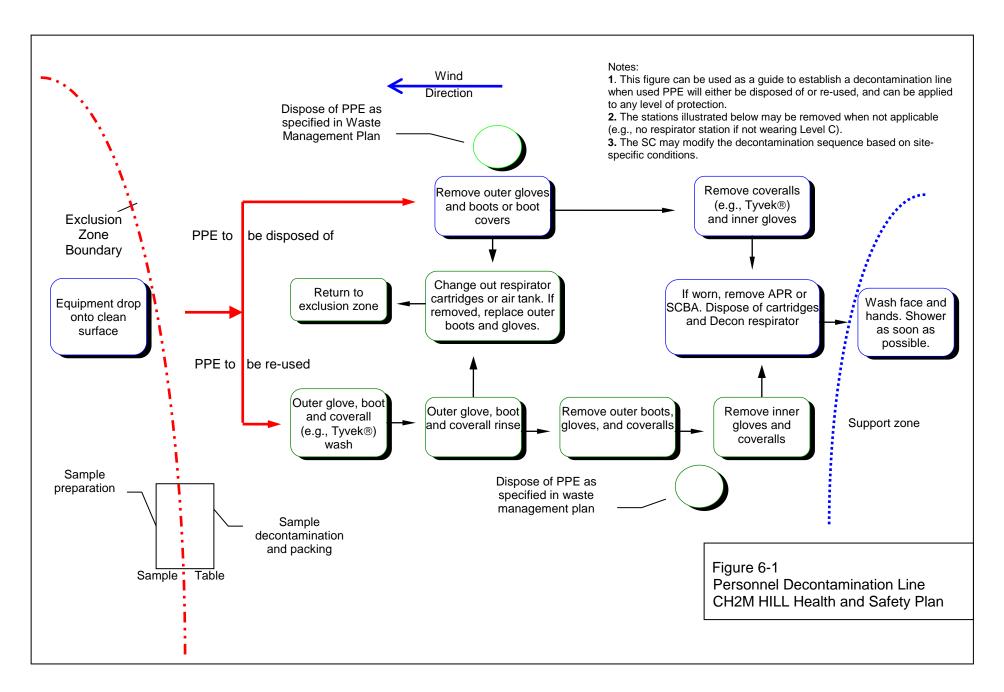
#### **Heavy Equipment**

- Power wash
- Steam clean
- Dispose of equipment rinse water to facility or sanitary sewer, or contain for offsite disposal

# 6.2 Diagram of Personnel-Decontamination Line

No eating, drinking, or smoking is permitted in contaminated areas and in exclusion or decontamination zones. The SC should establish areas for eating, drinking, and smoking. Contact lenses are not permitted in exclusion or decontamination zones.

Figure 6-1 illustrates a conceptual establishment of work zones, including the decontamination line. Work zones are to be modified by the SC to accommodate task-specific requirements.



# 7.0 Spill Containment Procedures

Sorbent material will be maintained in the support zone. Incidental spills will be contained with sorbent and disposed of properly.

### 8.0 Site-Control Plan

#### 8.1 Site-Control Procedures

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-218, Hazardous Waste Operations)

- The SC will conduct a site safety briefing (see below) before starting field activities or as tasks and site conditions change.
- Topics for briefing on site safety will include general discussion of Health and Safety Plan, sitespecific hazards, locations of work zones, PPE requirements, equipment, special procedures, and emergencies.
- The SC records attendance at safety briefings in a logbook and documents the topics discussed.
- Post the OSHA job-site poster in a central and conspicuous location in accordance with CH2M HILL- Core Standard, OSHA Postings.
- Establish support, decontamination, and exclusion zones. Delineate with flags or cones as appropriate. Support zone should be upwind of the site. Use access control at entry and exit from each work zone.
- Establish onsite communication consisting of the following:
  - Line-of-sight and hand signals
  - Air horn
  - Two-way radio or cellular telephone if available
- Establish offsite communication.
- Establish and maintain the "buddy system."
- Initial air monitoring is conducted by the SC in appropriate level of protection.
- The SC is to conduct periodic inspections of work practices to determine the effectiveness of this plan refer to Sections 2 and 3. Deficiencies are to be noted, reported to the HSM, and corrected.

## 8.2 Hazwoper Compliance Plan

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-220, Written Plans and HSE-218 Hazardous Waste Operations)

Certain parts of the site work are covered by state or federal Hazwoper standards and therefore require training and medical monitoring. Anticipated Hazwoper tasks (Section 1.1.1) might occur consecutively or concurrently with respect to non-Hazwoper tasks. This section outlines procedures to be followed when approved activities specified in Section 1.1.2 do not require 24- or 40-hour training. Non-Hazwoper-trained personnel also must be trained in accordance with all other state and federal OSHA requirements.

- In many cases, air sampling, in addition to real-time monitoring, must confirm that there is no exposure to gases or vapors before non-Hazwoper-trained personnel are allowed on the site, or while non-Hazwoper-trained staff is working in proximity to Hazwoper activities. Other data (e.g., soil) also must document that there is no potential for exposure. The RHSM must approve the interpretation of these data. Refer to Sections 2.0 and 5.0 for contaminant data and air sampling requirements, respectively.
- When non-Hazwoper-trained personnel are at risk of exposure, the SC must post the exclusion zone and inform non-Hazwoper-trained personnel of the:
  - nature of the existing contamination and its locations

- limitations of their access
- emergency action plan for the site
- Periodic air monitoring with direct-reading instruments conducted during regulated tasks also should be used to ensure that non-Hazwoper-trained personnel (e.g., in an adjacent area) are not exposed to airborne contaminants.
- When exposure is possible, non-Hazwoper-trained personnel must be removed from the site until it can be demonstrated that there is no longer a potential for exposure to health and safety hazards.
- Remediation treatment system start-ups: Once a treatment system begins to pump and treat contaminated media, the site is, for the purposes of applying the Hazwoper standard, considered a treatment, storage, and disposal facility (TSDF). Therefore, once the system begins operation, only Hazwoper-trained personnel (minimum of 24 hour of training) will be permitted to enter the site. All non-Hazwoper-trained personnel must not enter the TSDF area of the site.

# 9.0 Emergency Response Plan

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-106, Emergency Planning)

## 9.1 Pre-Emergency Planning

- The Emergency Response Coordinator (ERC) performs the applicable pre-emergency planning tasks before starting field activities and coordinates emergency response with CH2M HILL onsite parties, the facility, and local emergency-service providers as appropriate.
- Review the facility emergency and contingency plans where applicable.
- Determine what onsite communication equipment is available (e.g., two-way radio, air horn).
- Determine what offsite communication equipment is needed (e.g., nearest telephone, cell phone).
- Confirm and post emergency telephone numbers, evacuation routes, assembly areas, and route to hospital; communicate the information to onsite personnel.
- Field Trailers: Post "Exit" signs above exit doors, and post "Fire Extinguisher" signs above locations of extinguishers. Keep areas near exits and extinguishers clear.
- Review changed site conditions, onsite operations, and personnel availability in relation to emergency response procedures.
- Where appropriate and acceptable to the client, inform emergency room and ambulance and emergency response teams of anticipated types of site emergencies.
- Designate one vehicle as the emergency vehicle; place hospital directions and map inside; keep keys in ignition during field activities.
- Inventory and check site emergency equipment, supplies, and potable water.
- Communicate emergency procedures for personnel injury, exposures, fires, explosions, and releases.
- Rehearse the emergency response plan before site activities begin, including driving route to hospital. Drills should take place periodically but no less than once a year.
- Brief new workers on the emergency response plan.
- The ERC will evaluate emergency response actions and initiate appropriate follow-up actions.

## 9.2 Emergency Equipment and Supplies

The ERC should mark the locations of emergency equipment on the site map and post the map.

#### **Emergency Equipment and Supplies**

Location

20 (or two 10) class A,B,C fire extinguisher First aid kit Eye Wash Emergency Shower

Bloodborne-pathogen kit

Potable water

Additional equipment (specify):

#### 9.3 Incident Response

In fires, explosions, or chemical releases, actions to be taken include the following:

- Notify appropriate response personnel.
- Shut down CH2M HILL operations and evacuate the immediate work area.
- Account for personnel at the designated assembly area(s).
- Assess the need for site evacuation, and evacuate the site as warranted.
- Implement HSE-111, Incident Notification, Reporting and Investigation.
- Notify and submit reports to clients as required in contract.

Small fires or spills posing minimal safety or health hazards may be controlled with onsite spill kits or fire extinguishers without evacuating the site. When in doubt evacuate. Follow the incident reporting procedures in Section 9.7.

#### 9.4 Emergency Medical Treatment

Emergency medical treatment is needed when there is a life-threatening injury (such as severe bleeding, loss of consciousness, breathing/heart has stopped). When in doubt if an injury is life-threatening or not, treat it as needing emergency medical treatment.

- Notify 911 or other appropriate emergency response authorities as listed in Emergency Contacts at the front of this HSP.
- The ERC will assume charge during a medical emergency until the ambulance arrives or until the injured person is admitted to the emergency room.
- Prevent further injury, perform decontamination (if applicable) where feasible; lifesaving and first aid or medical treatment takes priority.
- Initiate first aid and CPR where feasible.
- Notify supervisor and if the injured person is a CH2M HILL employee, the supervisor will call
  the occupational nurse at 1-866-893-2514 and make other notifications as required by HSE SOP111, Incident Notification, Reporting and Investigation.
- Make certain that the injured person is accompanied to the emergency room.
- Follow the Serious Incident Reporting process in HSE SOP-111, Incident Notification, Reporting and Investigation, and complete incident report forms in Attachment 5.
- Notify and submit reports to client as required in contract.

#### 9.5 Evacuation

- Evacuation routes, assembly areas, and severe weather shelters (and alternative routes and assembly areas) are to be specified on the site map.
- Evacuation route(s) and assembly area(s) will be designated by the ERC or designee before work begins.
- Personnel will assemble at the assembly area(s) upon hearing the emergency signal for evacuation.

- The ERC and a "buddy" will remain on the site after the site has been evacuated (if safe) to assist local responders and advise them of the nature and location of the incident.
- The ERC will account for all personnel in the onsite assembly area.
- A designated person will account for personnel at alternate assembly area(s).
- The ERC will follow the incident reporting procedures in Section 9.7.

#### 9.6 Evacuation Signals

Signal	Meaning	
Grasping throat with hand	Emergency-help me.	
Thumbs up	OK; understood.	
Grasping buddy's wrist	Leave area now.	
Continuous sounding of horn	Emergency; leave site now.	

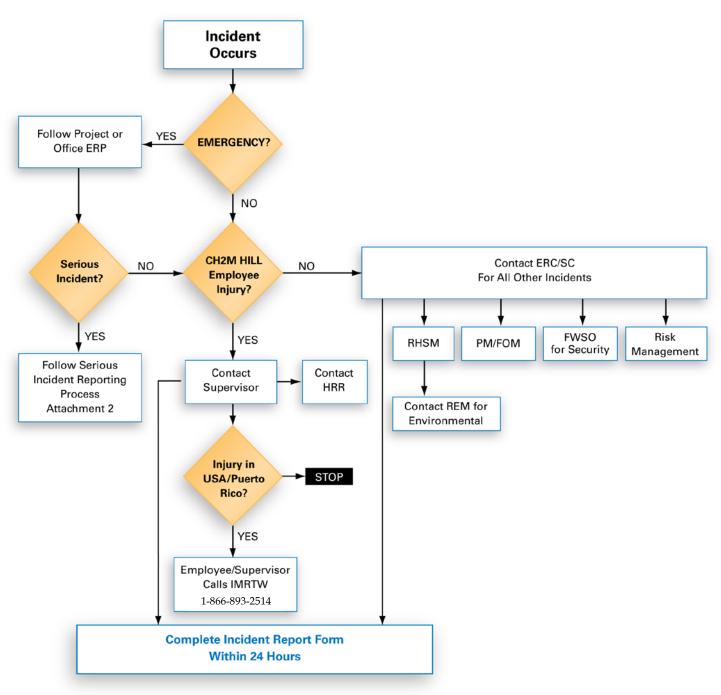
#### 9.7 Incident Notification and Reporting

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-111, Incident Notification, Reporting and Investigation)

- If you are injured at work, notify your supervisor immediately and contact the Injury Management/Return-to-Work toll free number (for US and Puerto Rico) 1-866-893-2514. All supervisors must contact their Human Resources Representative and complete the employee injury/illness in the Incident Report Form (IRF) in the HITS database within 24 hours of the incident.
- Immediately notify the Project Manager (PM), Emergency Response Coordinator (ERC), and/or Responsible Health and Safety Manager (RHSM) for any project incident (fire, spill/release, injury/illness, near miss, property damage, or security-related).
- Report any serious incidents (life-threatening injury/illness, death, kidnap/missing person, terrorism, property damage greater than \$500K, significant environmental release)
   immediately to your ERC, PM, or RHSM. The Serious Incident Reporting number is 720-286-4911.
- For serious incidents, the Corporate Legal Department will determine who completes the IRF.
- For CH2M HILL subcontractor incidents, immediately notify the ERC and HSM to complete and submit an IRF.
- The RHSM will inform the Responsible Environmental Manager (REM) of any environmental incidents.
- Evaluation and follow-up of the IRF will be completed by the type of incident by the RHSM, REM, or FWSO. The Business Group (BG) HSE Lead will review all BG incidents and modify as required.
- Incident Investigations must be initiated and completed as soon as possible but no later than 72 hours after the incident.
- See the following flowcharts for Immediate Incident Reporting and Serious Incident Reporting.



# Attachment 1 CH2M HILL Immediate Incident Notification



ERC = Emergency Response Coordinator (designated in Emergency Response Plan)

ERP = Emergency Response Plan

FOM = Facility Office Manager

FWSO = Firm Wide Security Operations HRR = Human Resources Representative  $IMRTW = Injury\ Management/Return-to-Work$ 

PM = Project Manager

REM = Responsible Environmental Manager

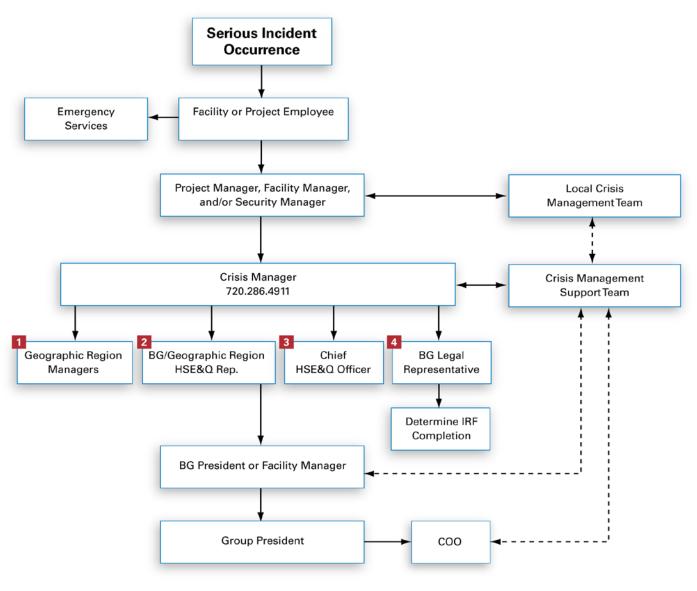
RHSM = Responsible Health & Safety Manager

SC = Safety Coordinator

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#### Attachment 2 CH2M HILL Serious Incident Notification



#### LEGEND:

Direct line of communication

→ - - ➤ Indirect line of communication

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

Local Crisis Management Team: Team comprised of key facility, project and/or business group personnel. Team is assembled as necessary and as appropriate to effectively manage and respond to a crisis situation (serious incident) at/on scene.

Crisis Management Support Team: Team comprised of key corporate personnel. Team is assembled as necessary and as appropriate to effectively support, direct, and /or supplement a Local Crisis Management Team.

Crisis Manager: Corporate based Crisis Manager, contactable by pager 24/7.

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# 10.0 Behavior Based Loss Prevention System

(Reference CH2M HILL SOP HSE-103, Behavior Based Loss Prevention System)

A Behavior Based Loss Prevention System (BBLPS) is a system to prevent or reduce losses using behavior-based tools and proven management techniques to focus on behaviors or acts that could lead to losses.

The four basic Loss Prevention tools that will be used by CH2M HILL projects to implement the BBLPS include:

- Activity Hazard Analysis (AHA)
- Pre-Task Safety Plans (PTSP)
- Safe Behavior Observations (SBO)
- Loss and Near Loss Investigations (NLI)

The SC or designated CH2M HILL representative onsite is responsible for implementing the BBLPS on the project site. The Project Manager remains accountable for its implementation. The SC or designee shall only oversee the subcontractor's implementation of their AHAs and PTSPs processes on the project.

#### 10.1 Activity Hazard Analysis

An Activity Hazard Analysis (AHA) defines the activity being performed, the hazards posed and control measures required to perform the work safely. Workers are briefed on the AHA before doing the work and their input is solicited prior, during and after the performance of work to further identify the hazards posed and control measures required.

Activity Hazard Analysis will be prepared before beginning each project activity posing H&S hazards to project personnel using the AHA form provided in Attachment 5. The AHA shall identify the work tasks required to perform each activity, along with potential H&S hazards and recommended control measures for each work task. In addition, a listing of the equipment to be used to perform the activity, inspection requirements and training requirements for the safe operation of the equipment listed must be identified.

An AHA shall be prepared for all field activities performed by CH2M HILL and subcontractor activities during the course of the project. Hazard Controls (found in Sections 2.0 and its subsections of the HSP), the Hazard Analysis Table (Table 1), and applicable CH2M HILL CSs and SOPs should be used as a basis for preparing AHAs.

CH2M HILL subcontractors are required to provide AHAs specific to their scope of work on the project for acceptance by CH2M HILL. Each subcontractor shall submit AHAs for their field activities, as defined in their work plan/scope of work, along with their project-specific safety plan/accident prevention plan. Additions or changes in CH2M HILL or subcontractor field activities, equipment, tools or material to perform work or additional/different hazard encountered that require additional/different hazard control measures requires either a new AHA to be prepared or an existing AHA to be revised.

## 10.2 Pre-Task Safety Plans

Daily safety meetings are held with all project personnel in attendance to review the hazards posed and required H&S procedures/AHAs, which apply for each day's project activities. The PTSPs serve the

same purpose as these general assembly safety meetings, but the PTSPs are held between the crew supervisor and their work crews to focus on those hazards posed to individual work crews. At the start of each day's activities, the crew supervisor completes the PTSP, provided in Attachment 5, with input from the work crew, during their daily safety meeting. The day's tasks, personnel, tools and equipment that will be used to perform these tasks are listed, along with the hazards posed and required H&S procedures, as identified in the AHA. The use of PTSPs, better promotes worker participation in the hazard recognition and control process, while reinforcing the task-specific hazard and required H&S procedures with the crew each day. The use of PTSPs is a common safety practice in the construction industry.

#### 10.3 Safe Behavior Observations

Safe Behavior Observations (SBOs) shall be conducted by SC or designee for specific work tasks or operations comparing the actual work process against established safe work procedures identified in the project-specific HSP and AHAs. SBOs are a tool to be used by supervisors to provide positive reinforcement for work practices performed correctly, while also identifying and eliminating deviations from safe work procedures that could result in a loss. The SC or designee shall perform at least one SBO each week for tasks/operations addressed in the project-specific HSP or AHA. The SC or designee shall complete the SBO form in **Attachment 5** for the task/operation being observed and submit the SBO form weekly to Margaret Dombrowski/MKE.

#### 10.4 Loss/Near Loss Investigations

Loss/Near Loss Investigations shall be performed for CH2M HILL and subcontractor incidents involving:

- Person injuries/illnesses and near miss injuries
- Equipment/property damage
- Spills, leaks, regulatory violations
- Motor vehicle accidents

The cause of loss and near loss incidents are similar, so by identifying and correcting the causes of near loss causes, future loss incidents may be prevented. The following is the Loss/Near Loss Investigation Process:

- Gather all relevant facts, focusing on fact-finding, not fault-finding, while answering the who, what, when, where and how questions.
- Draw conclusions, pitting facts together into a probable scenario.
- Determine incident root cause(s), which are basic causes on why an unsafe act/condition existed.
- Develop and implement solutions, matching all identified root causes with solutions.
- Communicate incident as a Lesson Learned to all project personnel.
- Filed follow-up on implemented corrective active action to confirm solution is appropriate.

The SC or designee shall perform an incident investigation, as soon as practical after incident occurrence during the day of the incident, for all Loss and Near Loss Incidents that occur on the project. Loss and Near Loss incident investigations shall be performed using the following incident investigation forms provided in **Attachment 5**.

- Incident Report Form (IRF)
- Root Cause Analysis Form

All Loss and Near Loss incident involving personal injury, property damage in excess of \$1,000 or near loss incidents that could have resulted in serious consequences shall be investigated by completing the incident investigation forms and submitting them to the PM and RHSM within 24 hours of incident occurrence. A preliminary Incident Investigation and Root Cause Analysis shall be submitted to the Project Manager and RHSM within 24 hours of incident occurs. The final Incident Investigation and Root Cause Analysis shall be submitted after completing a comprehensive investigation of the incident.

# 11.0 Approval

This site-specific HSP has been written for use by CH2M HILL only. CH2M HILL claims no responsibility for its use by others unless that use has been specified and defined in project or contract documents. The plan is written for the specific site conditions, purposes, dates, and personnel specified and must be amended if those conditions change.

Original Plan			
Written By:	Brian Wied/DFW	Date: 6/3/2010	
Approved By:	Michael Goldman	Date: June 9, 2010	
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Revisions to F	Plan:		
Revisions App	proved By:	Date:	

# 12.0 Attachments

Attachment 1: Employee Signoff Form – Health and Safety Plan

Attachment 2: Chemical Inventory/Register Form Attachment 3: Chemical-Specific Training Form

Attachment 4: Project Activity Self-Assessment Checklists/Permits

Attachment 5: Behavior Based Loss Prevention Forms

Attachment 6: Material Safety Data Sheets
Attachment 7: Working Alone Standard

Attachment 8: Tick Fact Sheet

Attachment 9: Notice of Safety Violation Form

Attachment 10: Stop Work Order Form

# **CH2M HILL Health and Safety Plan Attachment 1**

Health and Safety Plan Employee Sign-off Form

# **EMPLOYEE SIGNOFF FORM**

# Health and Safety Plan

The CH2M HILL project employees and subcontractors listed below have been provided with a copy of this HSP, have read and understood it, and agree to abide by its provisions.

**Project Name**: ANG Hancock, PCO at Sites 1, 2, 3, and **Project Number**: 404727

EMPLOYEE NAME			
(Please print)	EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE	COMPANY	DATE

# **CH2M HILL Health and Safety Plan Attachment 2**

**Chemical Inventory/Register Form** 

# CHEMICAL INVENTORY/REGISTER FORM

Refer to SOP HSE-107, Attachment	: 1, for instructions on completing this	s form.	
Location:			
HCC:			
Office Warehouse	☐Laboratory ☐ Project: _ Project N	o.:	
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Regulated Product	Location	Container labeled (√if yes)	MSDS available (√if yes)
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MSDS for the listed products will be maintained at: _	
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# **CH2M HILL Health and Safety Plan Attachment 3**

**Chemical-Specific Training Form** 

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# **CHEMICAL-SPECIFIC TRAINING FORM**

Refer to SOP HSE-107 Attachment 1 for instructions on completing this form.

Location:	Project #:		
HCC:	Trainer:		
TRAINING PARTICIPANTS:			
NAME	SIGNATURE	NAME	SIGNATURE
REGULATED PRODUC	TS/TASKS COVERED E	BY THIS TRAINING:	
The HCC shall use the product MSDS to provide the following information concerning each of the products listed above.			
☐ Physical and health hazards			
Control measures that can be used to provide protection (including appropriate work practices, emergency procedures, and personal protective equipment to be used)			
Methods and observations used to detect the presence or release of the regulated product in the workplace (including periodic monitoring, continuous monitoring devices, visual appearance or odo of regulated product when being released, etc.)			
Training participants shall have the opportunity to ask questions concerning these products and, upon completion of this training, will understand the product hazards and appropriate control measures available for their protection.			

Copies of MSDSs, chemical inventories, and CH2M HILL's written hazard communication program shall be made available for employee review in the facility/project hazard communication file.

# **CH2M HILL Health and Safety Plan Attachment 4**

**Project Activity Self-Assessment Checklists/Permits/Forms** 

• Drilling

# **CH2M HILL Health and Safety Plan Attachment 5**

# **Behavior Based Loss Prevention System Forms**

Activity Hazard Analysis Template
Pre-Task Safety Plans
Safe Behavior Observation
Incident Report and Investigation
(use electronic form when possible)

<u>HITS</u>

Activity:	Date:
	Project:
Description of the work:	Site Supervisor:
	Site Safety Officer:
	Review for latest use: Before the job is performed.

Work Activity Sequence (Identify the principal steps involved and the sequence of work activities)	Potential Health and Safety Hazards (Analyze each principal step for potential hazards)	Hazard Controls (Develop specific controls for each potential hazard)

Equipment to be used (List equipment to be used in the work activity)	Inspection Requirements (List inspection requirements for the work activity)	Training Requirements (List training requirements including hazard communication)

	PRINT NAME	<u>SIGNATURE</u>		
Supervisor Name:			Date/Time:	
Safety Officer Name	:		Date/Time:	
Employee Name(s):			Date/Time:	
			Date/Time:	

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#### Pre-Task Safety Plan (PTSP)

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sk Personnel:		
st Tasks:		
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<b>Hazard Control Measure</b>	es (Check All That Apply):		
PPE	Protective Systems	Fire Protection	Electrical
Thermal/lined	Sloping	Fire extinguishers	Lockout/tagout
Eye	Shoring	Fire watch	Grounded
Dermal/hand	Trench box	Non-spark tools	Panels covered
Hearing	Barricades	Grounding/bonding	GFCI/extension cords
Respiratory	Competent person	Intrinsically safe equipment	Power tools/cord inspected
Reflective vests	Locate buried utilities		
Flotation device	Daily inspections		
Fall Protection	Air Monitoring	Proper Equipment	Welding & Cutting
Harness/lanyards	PID/FID	Aerial lift/ladders/scaffolds	Cylinders secured/capped
Adequate anchorage	Detector tubes	Forklift/heavy equipment	Cylinders separated/upright
Guardrail system	Radiation	Backup alarms	Flash-back arrestors
Covered opening	Personnel sampling	Hand/power tools	No cylinders in CSE
Fixed barricades	LEL/O2	Crane with current inspection	Flame retardant clothing
Warning system	Other	Proper rigging	Appropriate goggles
		Operator qualified	
Confined Space Entry	Medical/ER	Heat/Cold Stress	Vehicle/Traffic
Isolation	First-aid kit	Work/rest regime	Traffic control
Air monitoring	Eye wash	Rest area	Barricades
Trained personnel	FA-CPR trained personnel	Liquids available	Flags
Permit completed	Route to hospital	Monitoring	Signs
Rescue		Training	
Permits	Demolition	Inspections:	Training:
Hot work	Pre-demolition survey	Ladders/aerial lifts	Hazwaste
Confined space	Structure condition	Lanyards/harness	Construction
Lockout/tagout	Isolate area/utilities	Scaffolds	Competent person
Excavation	Competent person	Heavy equipment	Task-specific (THA)
Demolition	Hazmat present	Cranes and rigging	Hazcom
Energized work			
Field Notes:			
Name (Print): _ Signature:		 Date:	

	Safe	Behavi	or Observation Form	
Project Name:		Observ	/er:	Date:
Program / Client:		Project	Mgr. & No.:	
Position/Title of worker observed:  Task/Observation Observed:			Background Information/ comments:	
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Current & accurate Pre-Task Planning/Briefing (Project safety plan, STAC, AHA, PTSP, tailgate briefing, etc., as needed)  Properly trained/qualified/experienced  Tools/equipment available and adequate			Positive Observations/Safe Work P	ractices:
Proper use of tools			Questionable Activity/Unsafe Cond	ition Observed:
Barricades/work zone control				
Housekeeping				
Communication				
Work Approach/Habits				
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Focus/attentiveness			Observer's Corrective Actions/Com	ıments:
Pace				
Uncomfortable/unsafe position				
Inconvenient/unsafe location				
Position/Line of fire				
Apparel (hair, loose clothing, jewelry)				
Repetitive motion			Observed Worker's Corrective Acti	ons/Comments:

Other...

# CH2M HILL Health and Safety Plan Attachment 6

**Material Safety Data Sheets** 

# **CH2M HILL Health and Safety Plan Attachment 7**

**Working Alone Standard** 

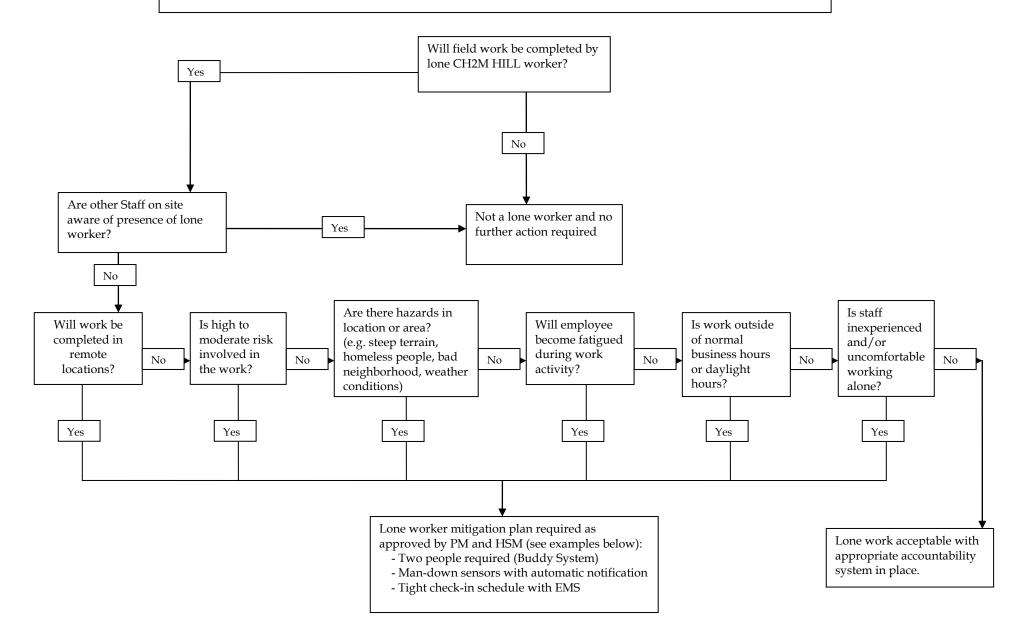
#### **CALL - IN CONTACT FORM**

Date of site work:	_	Expected start time:
Name of CH2M HILL employee is	n the field:	·
Name of CH2M HILL employee r	esponsible to receive c	ontact:
Client Emergency Contact (if any)	:	
CH2M HILL employee's contact r	numbers:	
Radio #		
Cell Phone #		
Address and Location of work:		
Directions/Map:		
Planned Activity:		
Specified Frequency and time for	call in:	
Time	Verified	Location

If lone worker fails to call in at specified frequency/time:

- 1) Call worker's radio and cell to determine if an emergency exists.
- 2) If no reply, immediately call Client security/emergency service if there is one at the site.
- 3) If there is no client security call Emergency Services (911). Inform the dispatcher there is a lone worker that cannot be contacted and there may be an emergency on site. Provide the lone worker's name, their last known location, and your contact information.
- 4) After Emergency Services have been contacted, call the other emergency contacts, Project Manager, and Health and Safety Manager.

#### **Lone Worker Protocol**



**Attachment 8** 

**Tick Fact Sheet** 

### Tick-Borne Pathogens — A Fact Sheet

Most of us have heard of Lyme disease or Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever (RMSF), but there are actually six notifiable tick-borne pathogens that present a significant field hazard. In some areas, these account for more than half of our serious field incidents. The following procedures should be applied during any field activity—even in places that are predominantly paved with bordering vegetation.

#### **Hazard Recognition**

An important step in controlling tick related hazards is understanding how to identify ticks, their habitats, their geographical locations, and signs and symptoms of tick-borne illnesses.

#### Tick Identification

There are five varieties of hard-bodied ticks that have been associated with tick-borne pathogens. These include:

- Deer (Black Legged) Tick (eastern and pacific varieties)
- Lone Star Tick
- Dog Tick
- Rocky Mountain Wood Tick

These varieties and their geographical locations are illustrated on the following page.

#### Tick Habitat

In eastern states, ticks are associated with deciduous forest and habitat containing leaf litter. Leaf litter provides a moist cover from wind, snow, and other elements. In the north-central states, is generally found in heavily wooded areas often surrounded by broad tracts of land cleared for agriculture.

On the Pacific Coast, the bacteria are transmitted to humans by the western black-legged (deer) tick and habitats are more diverse. For this region, ticks have been found in habitats with forest, north coastal scrub, high brush, and open grasslands. Coastal tick populations thrive in areas of high rainfall, but ticks are also found at inland locations.

#### Illnesses and Signs & Symptoms

There are six notifiable tick-borne pathogens that cause human illness in the United States. These pathogens may be transmitted during a tick bite – normally hours after attachment. The illnesses, presented in approximate order of most common to least, include:

- Lyme (bacteria)
- RMSF (bacteria)
- Ehrlichiosis (bacteria)
- STARI (Southern Tick-Associated Rash Illness) (bacteria)
- Tularemia (Rabbit Fever) (bacteria)
- Babesia (protozoan parasite)

Symptoms will vary based on the illness, and may develop in infected individuals typically between 3 and 30 days after transmission. Some infected individuals will not become ill or may develop only mild symptoms. These illnesses present with some or all of the following signs & symptoms: fever, headache, muscle aches, stiff neck, joint aches, nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea, malaise, weakness, small solid, ring-like, or spotted rashes. The bite site may be red, swollen, or develop ulceration or lesions. For Lyme disease, the bite area will sometimes resemble a target pattern. A variety of long-term symptoms may result if the illness is left untreated, including debilitating effects and death.



Deer Tick



From Left: adult female, adult male, nymph, and larvae Deer Tick (cm scale)



Lone Star Tick



Dog Tick



Rocky Mountain Wood Tick



Distribution of Deer Tick (dark green)



Distribution of Pacific Deer Tick (dark green)



Distribution of Lone Star Tick (Green)





#### **Hazard Control**

The methods for controlling exposure to ticks include, in order of most- to least-preferred:

- Avoiding tick habitats and ceasing operations in heavily infested areas
- Reducing tick abundance through habitat disruption or application of acracide
- Personal protection through use of repellants and protective clothing
- Frequent tick inspections and proper hygiene

Vaccinations are not available and preventative antibiotic treatment after a bite is generally not recommended.

#### **Avoidance and Reduction of Ticks**

To the extent practical, tick habitats should be avoided. In areas with significant tick infestation, consider stopping work and withdrawing from area until adequate tick population control can be achieved. Stopping and withdrawing should be considered as seriously as entering an area without proper energy control or with elevated airborne contaminants — tick-borne pathogens present risk of serious illness!

In areas where significant population density or infestation exists, tick reduction should be considered. Tick reduction can be achieved by disrupting tick habitats and/or direct population reduction through the use of tick-toxic pesticides (Damminix, Dursban, Sevin, etc.).

Habitat disruption may include only simple vegetative maintenance such as removing leaf litter and trimming grass and brush. Tick populations can be reduced by between 72 and 100 percent when leaf litter alone is removed. In more heavily infested areas, habitat disruption may include grubbing, tree trimming or removal, and pesticide application (Damminix, Dursban, Sevin, etc.). This approach is practical in smaller, localized areas or perimeter areas that require occasional access. Habitat controls are to be implemented with appropriate health and safety controls, in compliance with applicable environmental requirements, and may be best left to the property owner or tenant or to a licensed pesticide vendor. Caution should be exercised when using chemical repellents or pesticides in or around areas where environmental or industrial media samples will be collected for analysis.

#### **Personal Protection**

After other prevention and controls are implemented, personal protection is still necessary to control exposure to ticks. Personal protection must include all of the following steps:

- Where site conditions warrant (vegetation above knee height, tick endemic area) or when tasks warrant (e.g., having to sit/kneel in vegetation) that diminish the effectiveness of the other controls mentioned above, bug-out suits (obtained from MKE warehouse)/Tyvek shall be used. Bug-out suits are more breathable than Tyvek.
- So that ticks may be easily seen, wear light-colored clothing. Full-body New Tyvek (paper-like disposable coveralls) may also be used
- To prevent ticks from getting underneath clothing tuck pant legs into socks or tape to boots
- Wear long-sleeved shirts, a hat, and high boots
- Apply DEET repellent to exposed skin or clothing per product label
- Apply permethrin repellent to the outside of boots and clothing before wearing, per product label
- Frequently check for ticks and remove from clothing
- At the end of the day, search your entire body for ticks (particularly groin, armpits, neck, and head) and shower
- To prevent pathogen transmission through mucous membranes or broken/cut skin, wash or disinfect hands and/or wear surgical-style nitrile gloves any time ticks are handled

Pregnant individuals and individuals using prescription medications should consult with their physician and/or pharmacists before using chemical repellents. Because human health effects may not be fully known,

use of chemical repellents should be kept to a minimum frequency and quantity. Always follow manufacturers' use instructions and precautions. Wash hands after handling, applying, or removing protective gear and clothing. Avoid situations such as hand-to-face contact, eating, drinking, and smoking when applying or using repellents.

Remove and wash clothes per repellent product label. Chemical repellents should not be used on infants and children.

Vaccinations are generally not available for tick-borne pathogens. Although production of the LYMErix<sup>TM</sup> Lyme disease vaccination has been ceased, vaccination may still be considered under specific circumstances and with concurrence from the consulting physician.

#### Tick Check

A tick check should be performed after field survey before entering the field vehicle (you do not want to infest your field vehicle with ticks). Have your field partner check your back; the backs of your legs, arms, and neck; and your hairline. Shake off clothing as thorough as possible before entering the vehicle. Once the field day is complete, repeat this procedure and perform a thorough self check.

If a tick has embedded itself into the skin, remove the tick as described below.

#### Tick Removal

1. Use the tick removal kit obtained through the CH2M HILL Milwaukee warehouse, or a fine-tipped tweezers or shield your fingers with a tissue, paper towel, or nitrile gloves.



2. Grasp the tick as close to the skin surface as possible and pull upward with steady, even pressure. Do not twist or jerk the tick; this may cause the mouthparts to break off and remain in the skin. If this happens,





remove mouthparts with tweezers. Consult your healthcare provider if infection occurs.

- 3. Avoid squeezing, crushing or puncturing the body of the tick because its fluids (saliva, hemolymph, gut contents) may contain infectious organisms. Releasing these organisms to the outside of the tick's body or into the bite area may increase the chance of infectious organism transmission.
- 4. Do not handle the tick with bare hands because infectious agents may enter through mucous membranes or breaks in the skin. This precaution is particularly directed to individuals who remove ticks from domestic animals with unprotected fingers. Children, elderly persons, and immunocompromised persons may be at greater risk of infection and should avoid this procedure.
- 5. After removing the tick, thoroughly disinfect the bite site and wash your hands with soap and water.
- 6. You may wish to save the tick for identification in case you become ill. Your doctor can use the information to assist in making an accurate diagnosis. Place the tick in a plastic bag and put it in your freezer. Write the date of the bite on a piece of paper with a pencil and place it in the bag.

**Note:** Folklore remedies such as petroleum jelly or hot matches do little to encourage a tick to detach from skin. In fact, they may make matters worse by irritating the tick and stimulating it to release additional saliva, increasing the chances of transmitting the pathogen. These methods of tick removal should be avoided. In addition, a number of tick removal devices have been marketed, but none are better than a plain set of fine tipped tweezers.

#### First-Aid and Medical Treatment

Tick bites should always be treated with first-aid. Clean and wash hands and disinfect the bite site after removing embedded tick. Individuals previously infected with Lyme disease does not confer immunity—reinfection from future tick bites can occur even after a person has contracted a tick-borne disease.

CH2M Hill has a protocol in place for employees who have experienced a tick bite due to work-related activities, to test all ticks that have been removed from them for the presence of Borrelia burgdorferi.

The employee should contact the Injury Management/Return To Work provider (IMRTW), WorkCare using the toll-free number 866-893-2514 to report the tick bite. WorkCare will follow-up with each CH2M Hill employee who reports a tick bite and is at risk of developing Lyme disease by monitoring for symptoms up to 45 days, and will refer the employee to a medical provider for evaluation and treatment as necessary

**Attachment 9** 

**Notice of Safety Violation Form** 



# **Notice of Safety Violation**

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**Attachment 10** 

**Stop Work Order Form** 



## **Stop Work Order**

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**Attachment 11** 

**Vehicle Accident Guidance** 

#### Vehicle Accident Guidance

#### For All Vehicles--Call the Police

For any vehicle accident/damage, it is recommended that the local police (or site security/emergency services if working on a client site that provides such services) be called to determine if a report needs to be filed. In some instances, a report may not be required (during accident alerts, or in public parking lots). Document that the authorities were called and follow up with any guidance they give you. State requirements vary. If a report is filed, obtain a copy.

#### **For Fleet Vehicles:**

Definition: These are vehicles **rented for greater than 90 days** or rentals that are **leased** (either through ARI [Automotive Rental, Inc.] or leases from other companies [older fleet vehicles].

Report the accident to the following:

Contact Company Insurance Carrier: Zurich (1-877-246-3478 or 1-800-987-3373).

Contact Corp. Insurance - Linda George/DEN at 720-286-2057.

Note: If you are an ES employee that happens to use an **OMI vehicle** on a project and get into an accident, you must also contact Michelle Garlington/DEN (720-286-4273).

#### For Rentals:

Report the accident to the following:

**Call 1-800-VISA-911** (**only** if the car has been **rented for less than 31 days** – they provide some additional physical damage coverage in this time period).

**Call Zurich** (1-877-246-3478 or 1-800-987-3373). Carry available insurance cards which can be downloaded from the VO. For short-term rental (non CH2M Owned), carry the insurance card from the state where the driver's license was issued. For fleet vehicles, carry the insurance card from the state where the vehicle is registered.

https://communities.int.ch2m.com/legal/insurance/Shared%20Documents/AutoID\_Cards.aspx?PageView=Shared

**Call the rental company** (Budget, National, Enterprise, etc.).

Call Linda Anderson/DEN at 720-286-2401.

#### **For All Vehicles:**

Notify Supervisor, (and PM/RHSM if working on a project site)

If you are injured, call 911 for emergency medical treatment or 1-866-893-2514 to contact the CH2M HILL Occupational Nurse/Physician for minor injuries. If you initially feel you have not been injured, contact the RHSM for guidance on whether calling the CH2M HILL Occupation Nurse/Physician is applicable.

Complete a HITS report on the VO.

#### Personally Owned Vehicles (POVs):

CH2M HILL does not provide auto insurance for POVs, it is responsibility of the owner. If you are in a vehicle accident conducting company business, contact the police as above, supervisor, and 911 or CH2M HILL's occupational nurse/physician as stated above. Complete a HITS report. Refer to the Employee Handbook/Policies, assistance for meeting personal insurance deductibles (up to \$500 is available).

If using your POV for extended project use, notify the PM to make sure a rental car is not needed. Check your insurance policy for guidance on using the POV for business use.