# Sustainable Remediation Forum (SURF) SURF 10: June 16 and 17, 2009 Chicago, Illinois

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SURF 10 was held in Chicago, Illinois, on June 16 and 17, 2009, at the office of Baker & McKenzie. The meeting was generously sponsored by Baker & McKenzie, ENTRIX, and ENVIRON International. These companies provided financial and logistical support for SURF 10. Companies interested in sponsoring future meetings should contact the meeting facilitator, Mike Rominger (see Attachment 1 for contact information).

Those individuals that participated in the two-day meeting are listed in Attachment 1 along with their contact information. The meeting marked the 10<sup>th</sup> time that various stakeholders in remediation—industry, government agencies, environmental groups, consultants, and academia—came together to develop the ability to use sustainability concepts in remedial decision-making. Previous meeting minutes are available at www.sustainableremediation.org.

# **Meeting Opening**

The meeting began with Dave Ellis (DuPont) welcoming all participants and thanking Baker & McKenzie, ENTRIX, and ENVIRON for sponsoring the meeting. Dave gave participants his thoughts on the momentum that is building for sustainable remediation and noted that the publication of the white paper will add to this momentum.

Mike Rominger (meeting facilitator) discussed meeting logistics and ground rules (e.g., expectation that attendees will be active participants, show respect for others, appreciate and encourage divergent opinions, refrain from marketing, and be familiar with previous meeting minutes so the meeting can focus on new information). He also stated that it was assumed that nothing discussed or presented contained confidential information. Mike explained that export control laws that pertain to the transfer of technology to non-U.S. citizens and their countries do not appear to apply, but advised participants to act appropriately for their organizations. Mike read the following antitrust statement:

"It is not the purpose of this meeting to discuss an existing or planned situation involving any party, whether a participant here today or not, concerning the price, customer base, volume, market, quality, design or cost structure of any commercial product or service, or to plan any course of action having an exclusionary or discriminatory effect."

Mike thanked the Meeting Design Team for their work in planning the meeting agenda. SURF 10 Meeting Design Team members were as follows: Kathy Adams (Writing Unlimited), Mohit Bhargava (Battelle Environmental Restoration), Carol Dona [U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Environmental and Munitions Center of Expertise (EM-CX)], Dave Ellis (DuPont), Elie Haddad (Haley & Aldrich), Tim Havranek (ENTRIX), Mary Hereford (National Brownfields Association), Steve Koenigsburg (ENVIRON), Mike Miller (CDM), Ann Rosecrance (Conestoga-Rovers & Associates), Mark Travers (ENVIRON), Rick Wice (Shaw Environmental & Infrastructure Group), Mike Rominger (DuPont retiree), Jake Torrens (AMEC Geomatrix), and Dave Woodward (AECOM Environment).

The draft mission statement from the February 2007 meeting was read as follows: "To establish a framework that incorporates sustainable concepts throughout the remedial action process that provides long-term protection of human health and the environment and achieves public and regulatory acceptance." Sustainable concepts were further defined as those that "balance economic viability, conservation of natural resources and biodiversity, and enhancement of the quality of life in the surrounding community." Revising the mission statement was discussed at SURF 10; the discussion is summarized on page 11.

Efforts to achieve "sustainable neutral environmental behavior" continued at this meeting. Many participants brought their own coffee mugs and water bottles and used public transportation to travel to the meeting location. Efforts to achieve sustainable neutral behavior are ongoing and will continue at future meetings.

### **News Items**

Participants discussed the news items below at the beginning of the meeting. These news items are highlighted on SURF's web site (www.sustainableremediation.org). E-mail addresses and phone numbers for news item contacts are provided in Attachment 1.

- Mike Miller (CDM) reminded participants of the sustainability session at the "25<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Soils, Sediments, Water, and Energy." The conference will be held October 19-22, 2009, at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Many SURF members are presenting at the conference, and Mike promised an interesting mix of presentations. For more information, contact Mike directly or visit the conference web site at http://www.umasssoils.com/papers.htm.
- □ Deb Goldblum [United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Region 3] updated participants on the USEPA's Green Cleanup Standard Initiative. The initiative is aimed at developing, through a consensus process, a green cleanup standard and verification system. The USEPA has developed a framework, and the ASTM is developing the standard within the framework. The goal of the standard is to establish a uniform approach (with incentives) to encourage property owners, regulators, responsible parties, developers, and communities to use green cleanup practices during project planning and implementation. Deb encouraged participants to join ASTM and be part of the process. The next meeting about the standard for green cleanups will be held the week of October 19<sup>th</sup> in Atlanta, Georgia. For more information, contact Deb Goldblum.
- Participants mentioned the "Seventh International Conference on the Remediation of Chlorinated and Recalcitrant Compounds" presented by Battelle. The conference will be held May 24-27, 2010, in Monterey, California. A track at the conference will be devoted to green and sustainable remediation, and SURF members are serving as chairs of the various sessions. Abstracts are due by August 31, 2009. For more information, contact Mohit Bhargava (Battelle Environmental Restoration) or visit the conference web site at http://www.battelle.org/conferences/chlorinated/.

- Ralph Baker (TerraTherm) told participants about the "GreenRemediation Conference" that will be held on November 9 and 10, 2009, in Copenhagen, Denmark. The conference focuses on incorporating sustainable approaches in site remediation, with an emphasis on policy drivers, decision support tools, and sustainable remediation technologies. For more information, visit the conference web site at http://www.polytec.dk/greenremediation/default.asp?page=Home.
- Dave Woodward (AECOM Environment) mentioned the following three news items:
  - The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) launched a new initiative to work "greener" when doing environmental remediation or hazardous and mine waste cleanup. The Remediation Division of the DEQ will consider cost-effective green options when selecting a remedy or cleanup plan, choosing energy use, and conducting on-site activities.
  - The National Science Foundation is currently requesting proposals for their Environmental Sustainability Program. The program supports engineering research that seeks to balance society's need to provide ecological protection and maintain stable economic conditions. There are four principal general research areas which are supported: industrial ecology, green engineering, ecological engineering, and earth systems engineering. More details about these topics and the deadlines for submitting proposals are provided at

http://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\_summ.jsp?pims\_id=501027.

- The Sustainable Remediation Tool that has been discussed at prior SURF meetings is now available for free at http://www.afcee.af.mil/resources/ technologytransfer/programsandinitiatives/sustainableremediation/srt/index. asp. Four technologies are included in this first launch of the tool. The team that developed the tool (which includes many SURF members) plans to include additional technologies as part of a second launch of the tool in September.
- □ Carol Dona (USACE EM-CX) updated the group on the progress of the tool for incorporating sustainable practices into the Army's environmental remediation program. The tool has received a complete internal EM-CX review and comments are currently being incorporated. The revision of the decision framework is expected to be completed by August 2009 and then will be reviewed by USACE Headquarters and Districts and Army Headquarters. The end use of the decision framework is expected to be the technical and procedural basis for Army Headquarter guidance. Carol also mentioned that she and others in the Army and Air Force provided input to a pending green remediation policy within the Department of Defense.
- Dave Ellis (DuPont) briefly updated participants on SURF organizations abroad. SURF UK published a report with the goal of determining the range of factors considered by different sets of sustainability indicators and identifying an existing data set or developing a new data set to integrate sustainability into remediation projects. A PDF of the report is located at http://www.claire.co.uk/ index.php?option=com\_docman&task=doc\_download&gid=398. In addition, SURF UK continues to work on a framework for sustainable remediation in

cooperation with the Environment Agency. Dave also mentioned that members Lowell Kessel (EnviroLogek) and Curt Stanley (Shell Global Solutions) have seen great interest in sustainable remediation in Australia. Dick Raymond (Terra Systems), participating via teleconference from Japan, indicated that there is interest in forming SURF Japan.

### Presentations

SURF 10 presentations addressed the various aspects of the triple bottom line of sustainable remediation. Presentations and subsequent discussions are summarized in the subsections below.

### The New Green Economy: Opportunities for Connecting Green to Brown

Robert Colangelo (National Brownfields Association) provided evidence of the green economy that is emerging in the U.S. and his organization's efforts to connect green build, clean energy, and transportation to brownfield sites. Robert gave examples of the momentum that is building for sustainability in general. He cited the book *Cradle to Cradle* by William McDonough and Michael Braungart in which the authors state three main ideas: (1) the promotion of good design negates the need for regulations, (2) regulations are a function of bad design, and (3) good design regulates itself. Robert then summarized the new administration's emphasis on green initiatives and the new opportunities available as a result of the economic stimulus package.

Robert told participants that his goal was to identify ways in which SURF and the National Brownfields Association can work together, focusing on the development of a brownfield carbon reduction calculation. The calculation would quantify reduced greenhouse gas emissions and the reduced carbon footprint using international standards, involve training and certifying professionals to generate site-specific carbon offset credits, and include an accreditation program to ultimately create a market-based incentive for attracting investment to brownfield sites. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 2.

Discussions focused on the importance of incentives to achieve success. Robert stressed that his organization's near-term goal is to quantify the reduced greenhouse gas emissions and the reduced carbon footprint. He stressed that the team working on the project is multidisciplinary and is working closely with the USEPA. For additional information about this effort or if you want to volunteer to help, contact Ken Kastman (URS Corporation). (Contact information is provided in Attachment 1.)

### Sustainability: Transforming Traditional Ideas about Remediation

Steve Murawski (Baker & McKenzie) provided an overview of the developing meaning of sustainability, a discussion of how the concept of sustainability could impact historic and future remediation obligations, and a description of the obstacles to employing sustainability tools in the remediation context. Steve listed the following considerations as sustainability evaluation inputs for a project: energy use, water use, transportation/mobile sources, remediation materials and supply chain, and future land use and restrictions. In addition, he discussed the following inputs for an impact analysis: transportation hazards, effect on workers and residents, change in biodiversity or ecosystem, releases and potential releases, waste generated and disposed, and noise. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 3.

Participants debated the need for a definition of sustainable remediation. Steve thought that defining the term would stymie our own innovation, but noted that some sort of list of criteria or elements of sustainable remediation criteria should be outlined. Additional discussions focused on the need for a clearinghouse of projects to increase communication among practitioners and publish success stories.

### SURF UK: Update of Work

Dave Ellis (DuPont) presented Nicola Harries' [Contaminated Land: Applications in Real Environments (CL:AIRE)] presentation on the recent work of SURF UK. SURF UK has been working on its mission: "to develop a framework in order to embed balanced decision making in the selection of the remediation strategy to address land contamination as an integral part of sustainable development." The development of the framework is largely complete, and the general framework was presented. The framework, entitled *A Framework for Assessing the Sustainability of Soil and Groundwater Remediation*, will provide a platform on which to build further work on how the use of sustainability metrics and the many available tools can be used to deliver sustainable remediation decision making. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 4.

Discussions focused on the differences between sustainable remediation and green remediation. One participant reiterated Steve Murawski's comments after his presentation and recommended that participants avoid focusing too much on the definition of terms.

### Integrating Net Environmental and Community Benefits Analysis and CERCLA Nine Criteria

Tim Havranek (ENTRIX) presented an overview of net environmental and community benefit analysis (NECBA). NECBA is a form of multi-criteria decision analysis that provides a transparent, systematic process for evaluating alternative strategies that have multiple costs and benefits (i.e., environmental, economic, and social). Tim presented the process for determining evaluation criteria and their relative importance and discussed the alignment of the NECBA criteria with the nine criteria of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). Tim also discussed the results of the survey taken by SURF members about identifying and weighing evaluation criteria and posed discussion questions to participants. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 5.

Discussions focused on the following questions that Tim posed to participants:

- □ Should SURF develop the list of criteria and standard definitions? Participants seemed to agree that there is a need to identify and standardize various criteria. Moreover, the criteria should be defined and guidance should be provided so that users can measure parameters appropriately. One participant mentioned that the white paper addresses this issue. Another participant mentioned two concerns: (1) an overemphasis on CERCLA sites when the goal should be to develop an approach that is applicable to all regulatory programs and (2) the need for SURF to contribute to the standard development process underway at ASTM rather than creating a separate list of criteria.
- Will the regulatory agencies find a quantitative process desirable?
   Although direct responses to this question were not discussed, some participants

expressed concern regarding the repeatability of a number resulting from the analysis presented. Tim told participants that sometimes the analysis is sensitive to certain weights and values, but when sensitivity is not an issue, repeatability should not be a concern. In response to another participant's question, Tim acknowledged that current events can change the basis of the analysis.

- Should the regulatory agencies and the public be involved in identifying and weighting criteria at a particular site? If so, when should they be involved? Some participants seemed to agree that regulatory agencies and the public should be involved in identifying and weighting criteria at a particular site at the planning stages of a project. One participant asked if the analysis Tim presented is too technical for community members. Tim responded that, in his experience, community members like being involved in the process instead of being told of plans after the fact.
- □ What is the best way to share the results of a quantitative remedy selection process? Participants did not discuss this question.

### Photo-Elicitation to Involve Stakeholders in Land Use Re-Development

Bill Stewart (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign) presented a new technique called photo-elicitation to involve stakeholders in land use re-development. The photo-elicitation technique shifts dialogue from stakeholder-planner to stakeholder-stakeholder and, in doing so, empowers stakeholders. The process provides a structure for conversations to imagine a landscape different than the status quo and begin formulation of new public values for places.

Bill told participants that the re-development of land requires reframing of the land's identity and a community's relationship to it. He stressed that developing a positive stakeholder dialogue is important as a starting point for land use re-development. Bill then presented a six-step process wherein photo-elicitation improves the capacity for stakeholders to represent their place meanings and provides a forum to construct new public values for a landscape. The six steps of the technique are as follows: recruit stakeholders, distribute cameras and ask them to take pictures of special places, interview stakeholders to discuss the pictures, reflect on the interview to ensure it represents viewpoints, share place meanings with other stakeholders, and begin formal aspects of planning. Bill presented the advantages of the technique, including the focus on emotional attachments to landscapes, capacity to move beyond traditional points of conflict in land disputes, humanization of stakeholders to each other, education of others to interpret landscape history, and the increase of stakeholder ownership in decision making. Two limitations of the technique are that it focuses on process rather than outcomes and that the process becomes cumbersome with more than 20 stakeholders. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 6.

Discussions focused on clarifying the photo-elicitation technique and the use of this technique in polarized settings and situations where it seems there is no hope to build bridges. Bill responded that the technique does work better when integrated early in the land re-development process, but emphasized that the technique would still bring stakeholders together and that the process looks for compatibility around disagreements. He said that because stakeholders are focusing on a picture, not a person, there is a level of depersonalization that allows the dialog to start in a positive manner.

Additional discussion focused on how the technique can be coupled with other techniques and serves as a starting point to build trust and social capital between the stakeholders. Bill told participants that boundaries can remain between stakeholders, but the process of implementing the photo-elicitation technique begins to break down the barriers, increases trust, and allows stakeholders to connect and work with each other in an environment of mutual respect and understanding.

Participants seemed to have value for including presentations from the social sciences field at future meetings to ensure the inclusion of all three elements of the triple bottom line (i.e., economic, environmental, social) of sustainable remediation.

# Applying Sustainable Design and Development Principles to Remediation Sites

Annette Stumpf (USACE Engineer Research and Development Center) presented her organization's approach to applying sustainable design and development principles to remediation sites. Annette began her presentation by providing participants with definitions of sustainable design and development, as well as sustainability. She highlighted research activities at the Center for the Advancement of Sustainability Innovations and the Army's application of the U.S. Green Building Council's (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) LEED rating tool. Finally, Annette presented examples of sustainable technologies and strategies that might be applied to remediation projects. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 7.

# Status of Greener Cleanup Activities in USEPA Region 5

Brad Bradley (USEPA Region 5) categorized the focus of his organization into three main activities: assisting USEPA Headquarters with greener cleanup efforts, working with the six states in Region 5 to coordinate and assist with their greener cleanup efforts, and addressing any issues of regional significance that are not specifically included in the efforts of the various USEPA or other work groups or committees. To that end, Brad told participants that USEPA Region 5 representatives are currently participating in the Superfund Green Remediation Work Group, Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council (ITRC), SURF, Engineering Forum Green Remediation Subcommittee, and the Green Cleanup Standard Work Group. As part of this participation, Region 5 representatives are exploring several activities and tools, including life-cycle analysis, presumptive greener remedies, pilot projects, and greener cleanup language in Brownfields grant guidelines, that will collectively help improve efforts toward implementing greener cleanups.

Discussions focused on the high level of interest and activity related to sustainability in Region 5. One participant noted that three of the six states in Region 5 (i.e., Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois) have sustainability programs. Brad said that with no guidance from USEPA Headquarters, Region 5 is moving forward where it can. Brad mentioned that Region 5 will be having a meeting on August 6, 2009, to discuss greener cleanup status, streamlining, and support issues with the Region 5 states.

### Greener Cleanups in Illinois and Other States

Heather Nifong (Illinois EPA) presented the states' approach and perspectives on incentives and barriers to greener cleanups. Past and ongoing work at the Illinois EPA was also discussed. Specifically, Heather told participants about the on-line survey of state regulators by the Greener

Cleanups Task Force of the Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials (ASTSWMO). The survey asked respondents about incentives and barriers to green remediation. Twenty-seven states responded, representing all of the cleanup programs: CERCLA, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), federal facilities, voluntary cleanups, Brownfields, and tanks. Heather reported that state regulators who completed the survey considered the best incentive to be loans and grants, followed by publicity/recognition, then contract incentives. She noted that, fortunately, the incentive regarded as easiest to implement is also publicity/recognition. According to state regulators, the four biggest barriers are lack of knowledge/awareness, economics/upfront costs, no regulations/lack of authority, and lack of incentives. The barrier considered easiest to overcome is lack of knowledge/awareness. To help remove this barrier, the Greener Cleanups Task Force is developing a series of strategy papers and fact sheets that will be posted on the ASTSWMO web site and will be accessible to the public. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 8.

Discussions focused on operations and maintenance as a new dimension of remedy selection and on the potential to waive oversight fees for certified sustainable projects.

### SURF Web Site Update

Maile Smith (Northgate Environmental Management) updated members about the SURF web site located at www.sustainableremediation.org. Maile presented the new web site platform and functionalities, which include a blog, discussion forum, and the ability to upload and download files. She proposed additional potential web site pages to the group, discussed their advantages and disadvantages, and posed discussion questions around specific topics for participants to discuss. Maile told participants that the web site is averaging approximately 150 hits per day. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 9.

Discussions focused on the following topics that Maile presented:

□ Library Issues and Concerns

The current web site has a page named "library" and contains subpages for case studies, issue papers (where the white paper will be posted), and meeting minutes. Maile mentioned that the scope of the "case study" page, which is currently empty, could vary widely depending on what members want. It could contain a reference list, SURF-authored documents, general sustainable remediation documents, or something in between. Copyright issues were discussed, but no final decision was made on the contents of this page. Additional discussions focused on the "meeting minutes" page, with participants approving the use of their contact information in meeting notes and agreeing that PDFs of presentations were sufficient (vs. the original PowerPoint file) in the notes.

□ Links to/from SURF

The proposal to post links on the SURF web site to member organization web sites was supported by participants. Participants seemed to agree that it would be necessary to have some type of language on the web page stating that no endorsement of any of the companies was implied. As a starting point, Maile is gathering links from white paper authors. Then, Maile will gather links from SURF members who have attended a minimum of two meetings.

### Member-Only Access

Maile told participants that the current web site plan accepts up to four unique audience type or permission levels. For example, one audience could have only viewing privileges, one could have partial editing privileges, one could have full editing privileges, and one could have administrator privileges. Maile mentioned that member identifications could be used in the future to allow access to restricted pages such as working groups, meeting planning, and other behind-the-scenes activities or discussions that SURF members would not want the entire internet-viewing public to view. Maile also told participants that pages could be created similar to the current "contact" page, which allows SURF to conduct surveys among its members. No action plan was decided for this topic.

□ Timing of White Paper Rollout

*Remediation* published the white paper days before the meeting. Participants discussed the timing of the white paper rollout and the role of the web site in distributing the white paper. Participants agreed that the white paper should be posted to the SURF web site on June 30, 2009, and that all press releases and communication should point interested parties to the web site. Participants also agreed that, given the new functionalities of the web site, the site should serve as the portal for all SURF activities and communications.

Annual Costs

Northgate Environmental Management has paid the fees associated with the web site. A fee of \$30 per month will need to be paid in mid-2010. A 10% discount is available if a full year is paid at once upfront. Participants agreed that as SURF moves forward into a more formal structure, this expense will need to be integrated into the organization's budget.

### Implementing the USEPA's Six Core Elements of Green Remediation

Leah Pabst (Conestoga-Rovers & Associates) and Karin Holland (Haley & Aldrich) presented example case studies that demonstrate the successful implementation of the USEPA *Draft Framework for Green Cleanup Standards at Contaminated Sites* (April 1, 2009) and associated six core elements of green remediation at a variety of sites at different stages of remediation. Project sites that encompass one or more of the core elements outlined in the standard were discussed, namely energy, air, water, land and ecosystems, materials and waste, and stewardship. Leah and Karin detailed the benefits of implementing the core elements, including lower carbon footprints, ecosystem conservation and restoration, sustainable re-development, and functional reuse options. The combination of environmental stewardship with social and economic considerations led to the provision of greater value to both clients and other stakeholders in some cases throughout the lifecycle of the remedial project. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 10. Discussions focused on clarifying some of the technical points associated with the case studies.

### Risk Issues at Green Cleanups

Deb Goldblum and Betty Ann Quinn (USEPA Region 3) addressed an ongoing theme at SURF meetings: worker safety. As presented at previous SURF meetings, quantitative tools are being developed to help individuals evaluate the sustainability of remedy options. These tools

generally include components of the USEPA's core elements used to define the environmental footprint of a cleanup as well as another factor called worker safety. The tools typically evaluate worker safety by calculating the exposure hours and miles traveled for remedy options. Deb and Betty Ann clarified how the USEPA cleanup programs already incorporate worker safety into remedy decisions and discussed concerns on merging the two considerations in a sustainability evaluation. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 11.

During the discussion, some participants expressed the need to put the actuarial numbers of fatalities during a remediation project into the context of an incremental lifetime cancer risk. Betty Ann responded that this comparison isn't appropriate because individuals choose to work at a remediation site, derive benefits from such employment, and are subject to potential risks that are generally less than lifetime in duration. Individuals in the surrounding community do not choose to subject themselves to potential lifetime cancer and noncancer risks and derive no benefit from exposure to site-related contamination. In addition, ecologic risk has no apparent place in the industry comparison of worker risk to site risk. Another participant noted that threshold criteria would still be applicable, so the surrounding community would be protected.

One participant asked Betty Ann if a site-specific comprehensive risk analysis addressing this issue could be considered by the USEPA during remedy selection. Betty Ann answered yes because worker risk is considered as a balancing and/or modifying criterion in RCRA/Superfund cleanup programs. Betty Ann encouraged project managers to tell USEAPA remedial program managers that language addressing worker safety is already included in the regulations. Other participants suggested that Betty Ann make this presentation to others within the USEPA to spur more discussion about the topic within the remediation field. One participant thought that a perception exists within the USEPA that considerations of worker safety are just an excuse by industry to "do nothing."

### Green/Sustainable Remediation Track at Battelle Conference

Russ Sirabian (Battelle Memorial Institute) showed participants the proposed sessions for the Green/Sustainable Remediation track at the "Seventh International Conference: Remediation of Chlorinated and Recalcitrant Compounds" presented by Battelle. The conference will be held on May 24-27, 2010, in Monterey, California, and many SURF members are making presentations. Russ presented a description of the sessions and the potential panel discussions. A timeline of activities and deadlines was also presented. Russ reminded participants that abstracts are due by August 31, 2009. Russ ended his presentation by asking participants if the proposed sessions are sufficient or if a particular topic had been overlooked. Presentation slides are provided in Attachment 12.

Discussions focused on participants' ideas for the green/sustainable remediation track. These ideas are summarized as follows:

- □ Add a panel discussion about the white paper.
- □ Address the triple bottom line in all sessions.
- Hold a panel debate on green vs. sustainable remediation and show the differences by performing a green remediation evaluation and a sustainable remediation evaluation on the same case study.
- □ Add a session for international sustainability efforts.

The following group was proposed to work with Russ to further define the sessions proposed and resolve any issues: Carol Baker (Chevron Energy Technology Company), Carol Dona (USACE EM-CX), Dave Ellis (DuPont), Paul Favara (CH2M Hill), Rick Wice (Shaw Environmental & Infrastructure Group), and Dave Woodward (AECOM Environment). Participants agreed that the formation of a group to work with Russ was a good idea. Participants were told to send their recommendations for session chairs to Dave Ellis and/or Russ Sirabian as soon as possible (see Attachment 1 for contact information). The group set up a conference call later in the week and will update members on their progress at SURF 11.

# SURF Organizational Structure Discussion

Participants divided into three groups to upgrade the mission statement, capture thoughts regarding proposed membership categories, and identify ways to structure the new organization to enable and encourage strong links with other groups. A complete summary of each breakout session, as well as a list of participants for each group, is provided in Attachment 13. A brief summary of the discussions and resulting action items are as follows:

Mission Statement

Although specific revisions to the mission statement were recommended, the group wanted more time to discuss potential additional revisions. A long discussion ensued about whether the definition of "sustainable remediation" was needed within the mission statement. Opinions varied and no consensus was reached. An option was to list the characteristics of sustainable remediation. In addition, some people thought the draft mission statement was too specific and others believed it was not specific enough.

Dan Watts (New Jersey Institute of Technology) will reconvene this group via conference call to discuss these issues and additional upgrades to the mission statement. A revised mission statement will be presented at the next meeting.

Membership Categories

The group agreed that the membership structure and fees will depend on the benefits and privileges of membership and noted that those benefits and privileges are not currently well defined. The group recommended that the benefits be defined as specifically as possible so that members can understand the basis of the categories and related fees. Specifically, membership criteria should include some form of commitment to supporting the mission, financial support, and commitment to participate in the activities of the organization. The group agreed that a key goal is to avoid, to the degree possible, membership requirements that are barriers to groups currently contributing to SURF, especially government members.

The group agreed that a wide range of membership categories should be available and that the range should be broad enough to encourage specific targeted segments of the profession (e.g., students and young professionals), but not so broad as to have categories that are not needed or are not tied to specific benefits or responsibilities. The group proposed membership categories along with rough order-of-magnitude fees as an initial starting point (see Attachment 13). The SURF Organizational Work Group will review the group's recommendations and determine a path forward.

### □ Strong Links with Other Groups

The group discussed that the role of a professional society is to be aware of all efforts within the field of sustainable remediation to influence the direction of the field. If the activities of others in the field are not known, then no influence can be achieved. As such, the group agreed that SURF members should belong to other organizations to ensure that potential overlap between the groups is minimized. The group recommended that the common goals of the groups be identified and that SURF serve as the liaison between the groups to achieve the common goals and avoid potential overlaps. As a starting point, the group recommended developing a list of organizations, assigning at least one SURF member to participate in each organization to ensure dialogue, and identifying at least one SURF member to track state green/sustainable remediation activities.

Although the group agreed that SURF needs to share its knowledge to external groups and organizations, it recognized that SURF needs a better way of communicating internally first before it can bring other organizations into the conversation. The group discussed the web site as one solution to this problem. Upgrades to the web site will be crucial to internal communication and, ultimately, external communication and outreach.

The group also agreed that although SURF is focused on the United States currently, the ultimate goal should be an international umbrella organization for SURF organizations in other countries. The group recommended that research be conducted to determine the scope of international expansion and noted that the process will likely be complicated, but worthwhile.

### Next Big "Stake in the Ground" Discussion

At SURF 9, participants divided into three groups to address three questions to move SURF forward after the white paper. A summary of each group's discussion, including action items, is provided in the SURF 9 meeting notes. A continuation of the discussion was scheduled at SURF 10, but time was limited. Instead of breakout discussion groups, participants were assigned to think about the questions as homework after the first meeting day. The questions and potential action items offered by participants are listed in the table below.

Question	Potential Action Item
How will SURF communicate what we have learned and	Organize a short course at Battelle on implementing sustainable remediation projects.
what we will learn?	Develop an announcement for National Public Radio or another far-reaching media outlet.
	Write a list of talking points and back it up with examples.
	Form a committee with the purpose of reaching out to other organizations, including universities.
	Between now and the next meeting, contact a professor and tell him/her about SURF.
	Use SURF web site as the funnel for all communications.

Question	Potential Action Item	
How will SURF participate in	Serve as clearinghouse for best management practices.	
developing and implementing appropriate standards and metrics across our industry?	Consider vetting the life-cycle analysis parameters used in calculations to ensure transparency in the process.	
	Recruit remediation contractors (i.e., the people doing the field work) to gain insight into their practices and ensure that correct assumptions are being made.	
	Foster financial incentives.	
	Use LEED process as a model to help structure metrics.	
	Explore business case for advantages of "going green."	
How will SURF help society develop a consensus on the	Fund research in the area of sustainable remediation as a way of providing a firmer basis for ideas.	
value of sustainability relative to the other values used for	Explore grant opportunities for implementing sustainable remediation.	
making remedial decisions?	Raise awareness through the publication of case studies in peer-reviewed journals.	

These topics will be a major focus of the next meeting.

# White Paper Rollout and Response Plan Discussion

At SURF 9, a group of individuals volunteered to help develop and/or implement an action plan for the white paper rollout. Dave Ellis (DuPont) updated participants as to the group's progress and commended the group on its work preparing documents for the Battelle conference in Baltimore in May. The group created a one-page summary of the white paper and its conclusions and presented a poster at the conference. The one-page summary document is intended for broad distribution and is available on SURF's web site. Dave also mentioned that some individuals from the group are crafting a press release intended for remediation- and science-specific media outlets. The overall strategy of the press release is to first release the information to industry trade publications and then to use the interest generated to tap general interest media outlets.

Discussions focused on how to link the press release to the web site effectively and when to post the white paper on the web site. Participants agreed that the white paper would be posted to the web site for free download on June 30, 2009. One participant suggested that SURF obtain a point person for the media to generate more interviews and interest. Participants agreed and Jessica Furey (The Whitman Strategy Group) committed to contacting former USEPA Administrator and New Jersey Governor Christie Todd Whitman as a potential point person. Participants agreed that if the former Administrator and Governor could serve as a point person, the strategy of the press release would change and focus on general media outlets.

Participants seemed to agree that chapter facilitators should respond to any questions arising from the white paper publication. Another participant suggested that questions could be posed via the discussion forum on SURF's web site.

Participants agreed that the white paper rollout team will address the ideas discussed. As a reminder, the individuals on the team are as follows: Carol Baker (Chevron Energy Technology Company), John Ryan (AECOM Environment), Tiffany Swann (GSI Environmental), Elisabeth

Hawley (Malcolm Pirnie), Karin Holland (Haley & Aldrich), Tim Havranek (ENTRIX), Mohit Bhargava (Battelle Environmental Restoration), and Rick Wice (Shaw Environmental & Infrastructure Group).

# Reflections

Participants shared their reflections after each day of the meeting. These reflections can be categorized into general reflections, potential path forward items, and potential topics for SURF 11, as summarized below. Reflections were not discussed to clarify or gain consensus on a potential path forward item, they were merely shared with meeting participants.

- □ General Reflections
  - Sustainable remediation indicates a larger picture of which green remediation is a subset.
  - A benefit of SURF membership could be discounts on magazine subscriptions.
- D Potential Path Forward Items
  - Need action items from breakout groups.
  - Need cost examples to prove that sustainable remediation saves money.
  - Bring photograph as ice breaker to next meeting (see Bill Stewart's presentation in Attachment 6).
  - Recruit other resources outside of the environmental industry so that we are considering all aspects of sustainability (i.e., economic and social).
  - Expand outreach to universities to incorporate sustainability concepts into curriculum.
- D Potential Topics for SURF 11
  - Revised mission statement
  - Proposed by-laws
  - Solid proposal for organizational structure

### Path Forward

The following path forward items were identified:

- K&L Gates, LLC, will host the next meeting, which will be held September 22 and 23, 2009, in Newark, New Jersey. The address is as follows: One Newark Center, Newark, New Jersey, 07102. Meeting logistics will be forwarded as they become available. A draft agenda will be developed by the Meeting Design Team and will be circulated via e-mail. Active feedback and suggestions are encouraged.
- 2. Based on feedback at the meeting, volunteers for the design team are as follows: Carol Baker (Chevron Energy Technology Company), Brandt Butler (URS Corporation), Carol Dona (USACE EM-CX), Dave Ellis (DuPont), Lisa Hamilton (GE Corporate Environmental Programs), Tim Havranek (ENTRIX), Karin Holland (Haley & Aldrich),

Mike Miller (CDM), Leah Pabst (Conestoga-Rovers & Associates), Erik Petrovskis or David Major (Geosyntec Consultants), Karina Tipton (Brown and Caldwell), Dan Watts (New Jersey Institute of Technology), and Dave Woodward (AECOM Environment). Additional members are welcome. Meeting Design Team members should expect to spend about eight hours on the effort between now and the next meeting.

- 3. The action items and/or decisions below were agreed upon for the web site.
  - The white paper will be posted on the SURF web site on June 30, 2009. All press releases and communication regarding the white paper will point interested parties to the web site.
  - Given the new functionalities of the web site, the site will serve as the portal for all SURF activities and communications.
  - By mid-2010, the annual expense of the web site (\$360) will need to be integrated into the organization's budget.
- 4. The work of the breakout discussion groups will continue as follows:
  - Dan Watts (New Jersey Institute of Technology) will reconvene his group via conference call to address the discussed issues and provide additional upgrades to the mission statement. A revised mission statement will be presented at the next meeting.
  - The SURF Organizational Work Group will review the outputs of the membership and stronger links breakout groups and their recommendations.
- 5. The following action items were agreed upon for the white paper rollout:
  - Jessica Furey (The Whitman Strategy Group) committed to contacting former USEPA Administrator and New Jersey Governor Christie Todd Whitman as a potential point person for the media to generate more interviews and interest.
  - The white paper rollout team will address the ideas discussed in the meeting. As a reminder, the individuals on the team are as follows: Carol Baker (Chevron Energy Technology Company), John Ryan (AECOM Environment), Tiffany Swann (GSI Environmental), Elisabeth Hawley (Malcolm Pirnie), Karin Holland (Haley & Aldrich), Tim Havranek (ENTRIX), Mohit Bhargava (Battelle Environmental Restoration), and Rick Wice (Shaw Environmental & Infrastructure Group).
- 6. The following group was proposed to work with Russ Sirabian (Battelle Memorial Institute) on the proposed sessions for the Green/Sustainable Remediation track: Carol Baker (Chevron Energy Technology Company), Carol Dona (USACE EM-CX), Dave Ellis (DuPont), Paul Favara (CH2M Hill), Rick Wice (Shaw Environmental & Infrastructure Group), and Dave Woodward (AECOM Environment). The group will update members on their progress at SURF 11.

Attachment 1 SURF 10 Participant Contact Information

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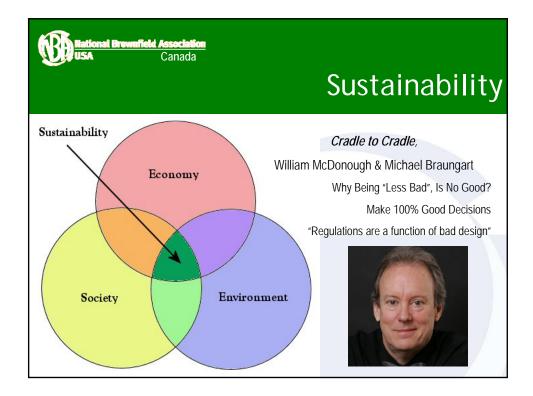
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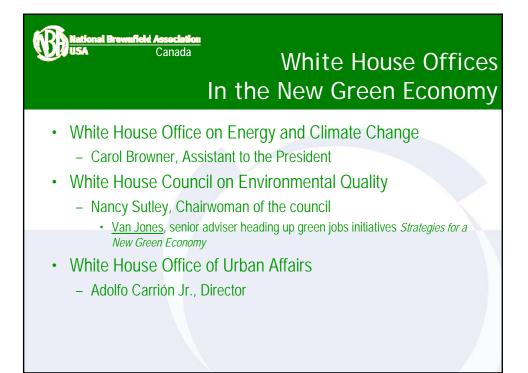
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Attachment 2 The New Green Economy: Opportunities for Connecting Green to Brown







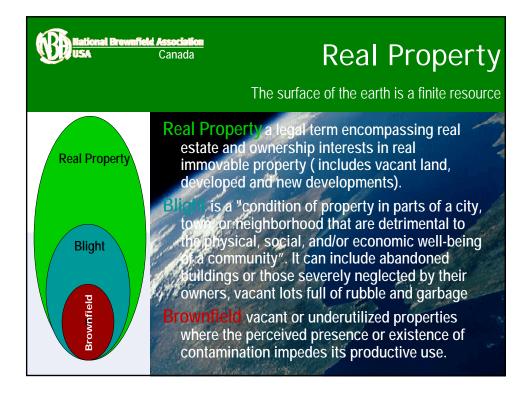




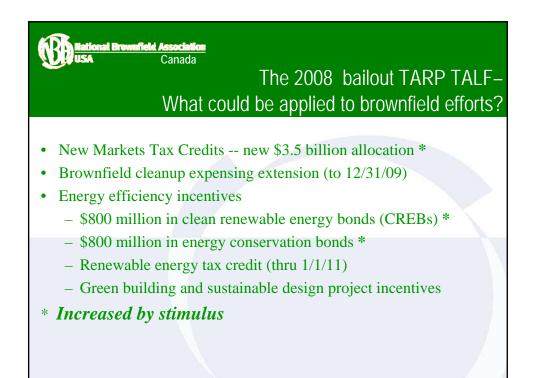
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Stimulus \$	Existing Structures & Infrastructure	Redevelopment Blight & Brownfields	New Development Structures & Infrastructure		
Energy	\$22 bil/mixed		\$3.9 bil/Smart Grid		
Transportation			\$47 bil/Rail +		
Water	\$6 bil /Water Infrastructure \$85 mil/Watershed protection				
Waste	\$6 bil/Weapon Sites	\$600mil/SUPERFUND \$200 mil/LUST			
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Land Management	\$750 mil/National Parks	\$100 mil/Brownfields			
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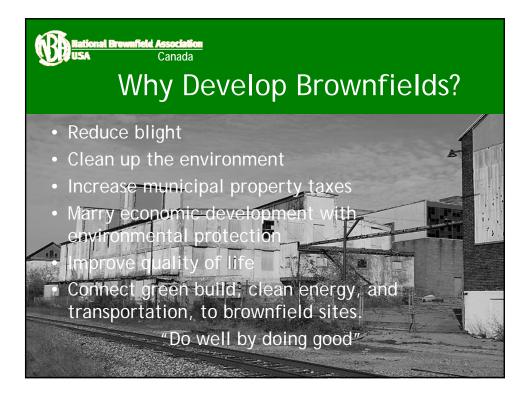
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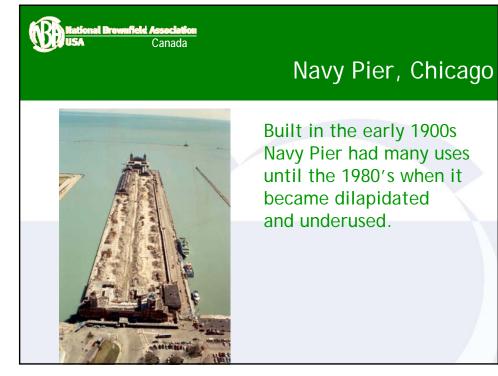


National Definition (HR 2869) -The term "Brownfield Site" means real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant or contaminant.

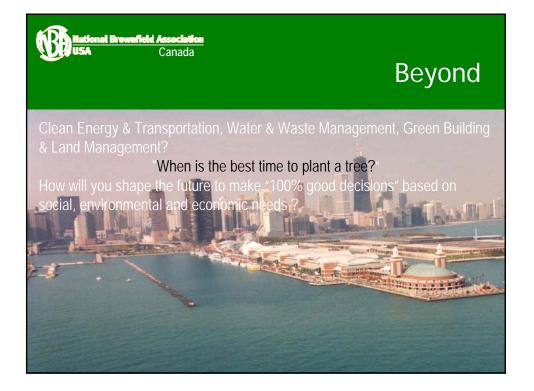
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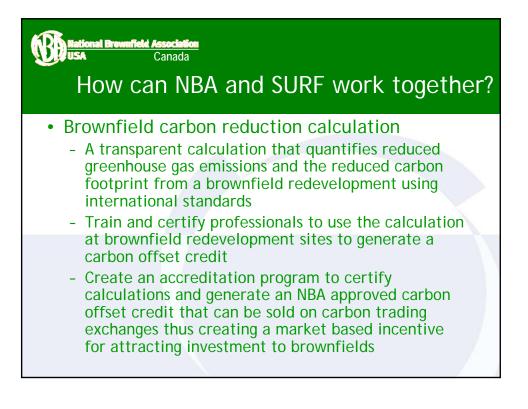
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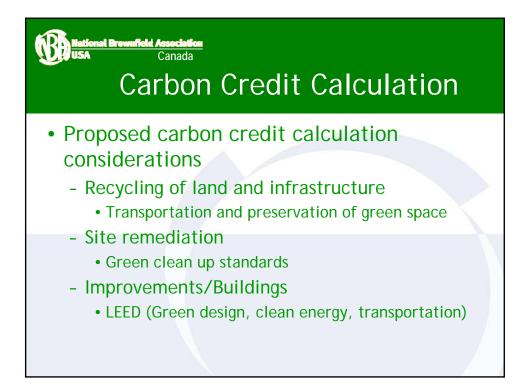


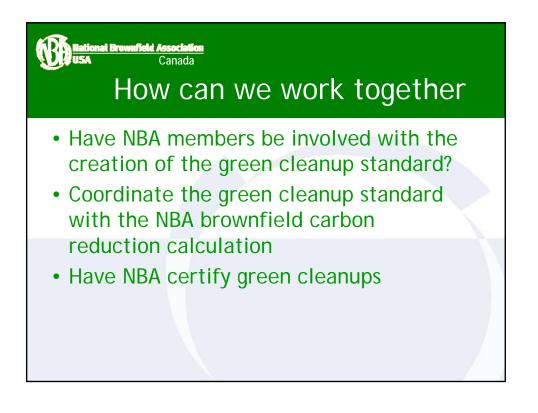


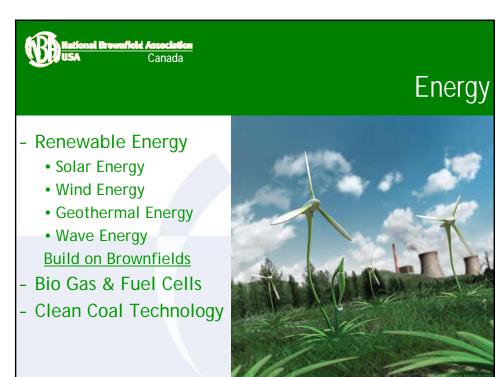


















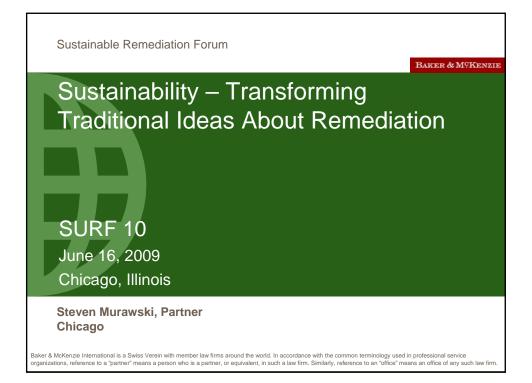




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Attachment 3 Sustainability: Transforming Traditional Ideas about Remediation

















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Sustainability Project - Considerations

- Inputs into Impact Analysis (cont.)
  - Transportation hazards
  - Effect on workers and residents
  - Change in biodiversity or ecosystem
  - Releases and potential releases
  - Waste generated and disposed
  - Noise

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#### Sustainability Project - Impediments

- Law (i.e., laws, regulations, consent decrees)
- Policies
- Government Official(s) (e.g., OSC/RPM)
- Potentially Responsible Party/Responsible Party

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### Sustainability Project - Success

- Determine whether legally required
- Clearly define goals and measurable/reportable milestones
- Assess economic feasibility
  - Project cost
  - Tangible and intangible benefits

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## Sustainability Project - Success

- Confirm technical soundness
- Leave sufficient time to develop and implement
- Ensure contractors and subcontractors are capable and compatible
- Actively manage contractors and subcontractors

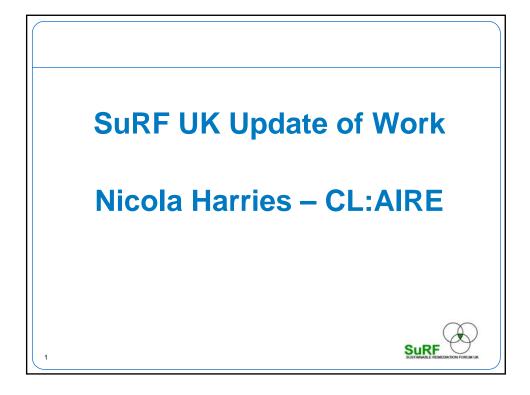
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# Thank you

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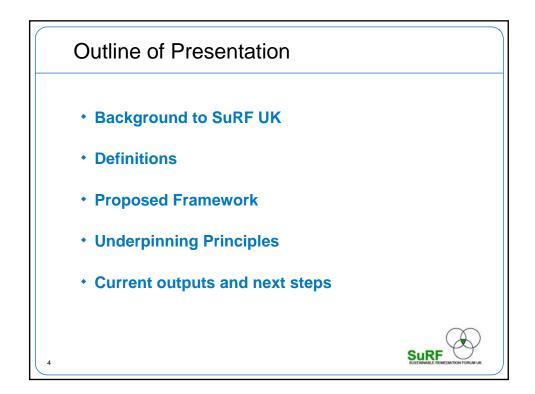
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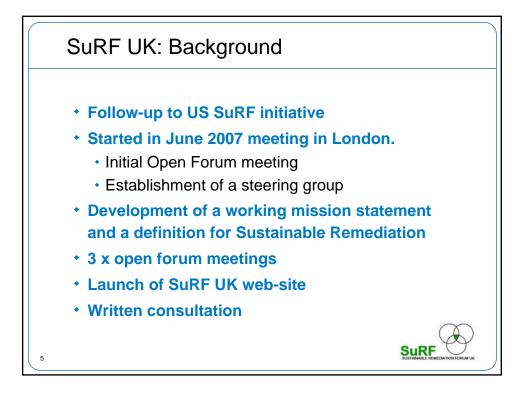
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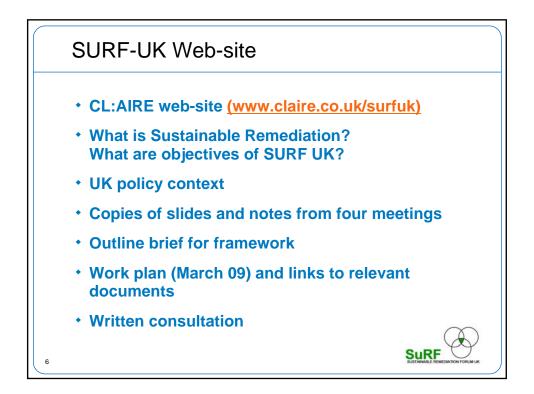


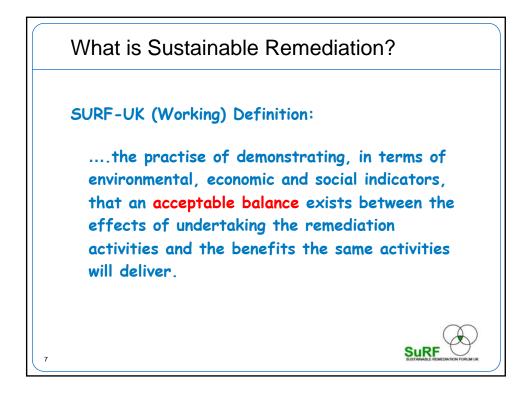


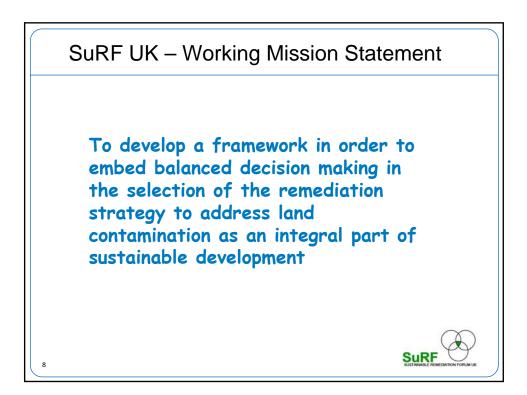


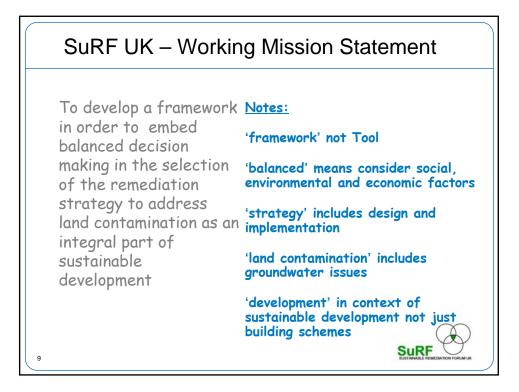


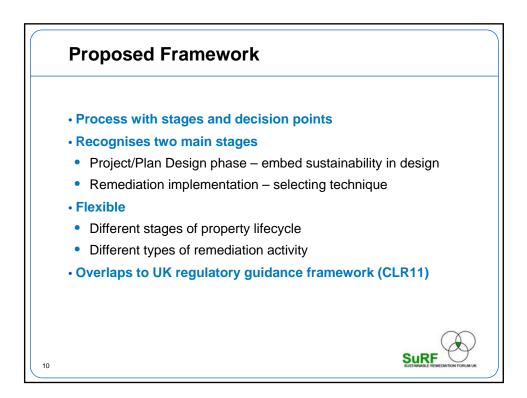


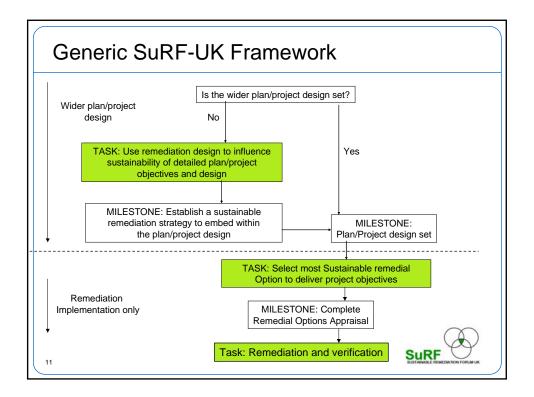


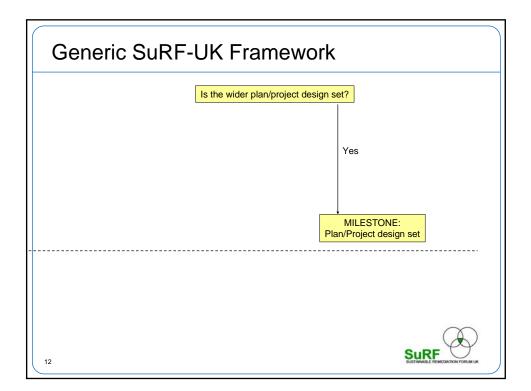


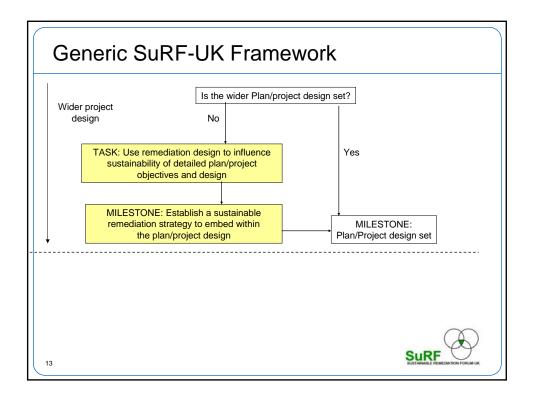


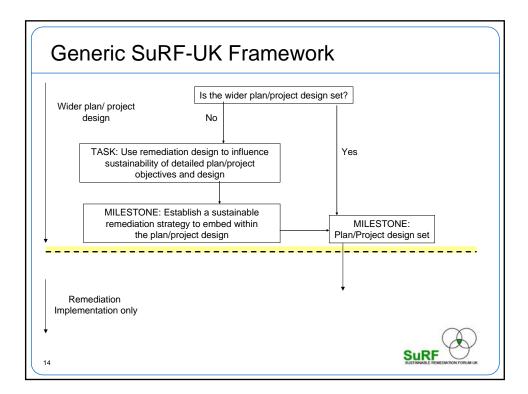


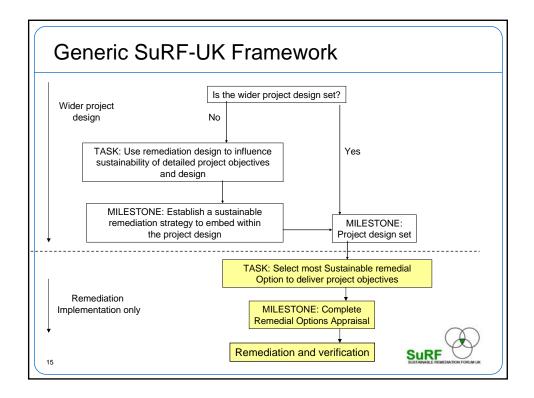


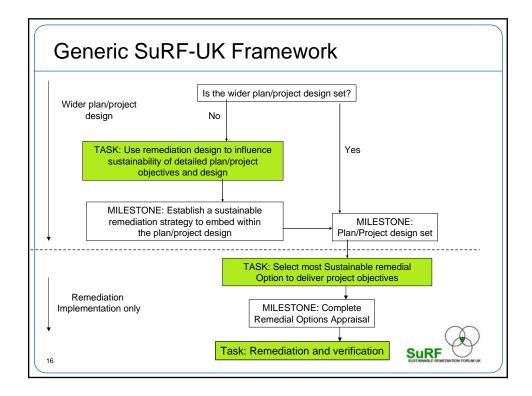


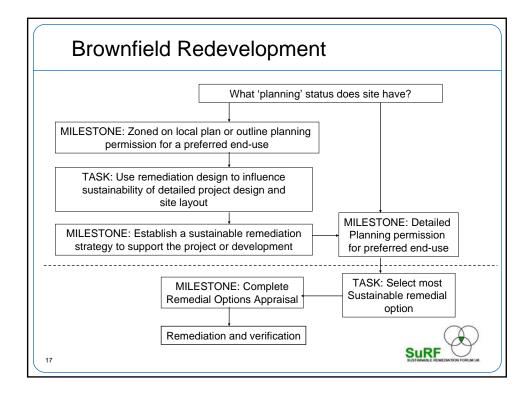


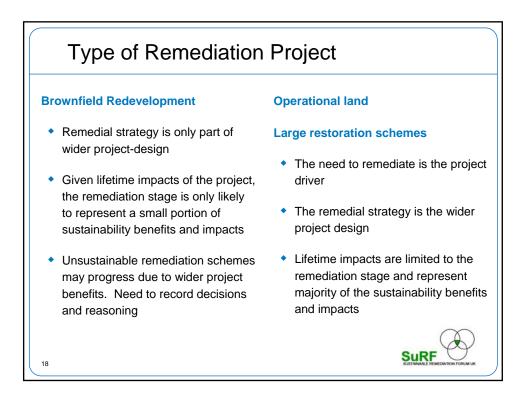


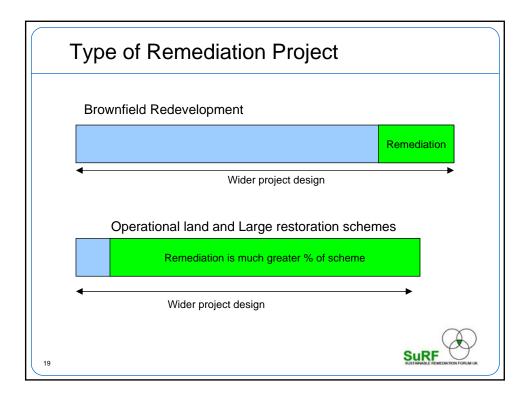


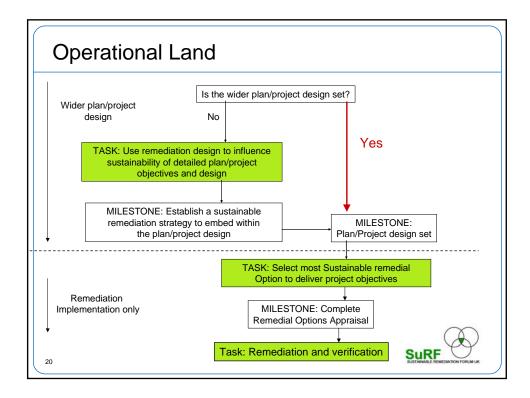


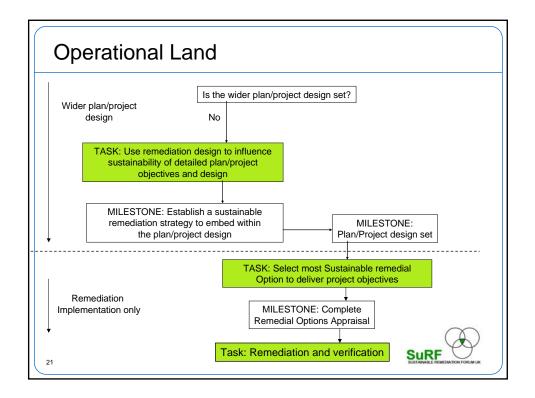


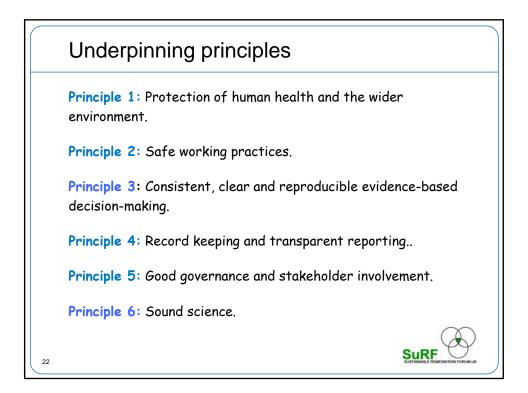


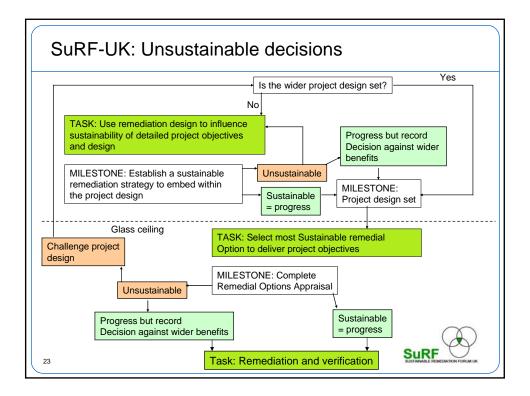


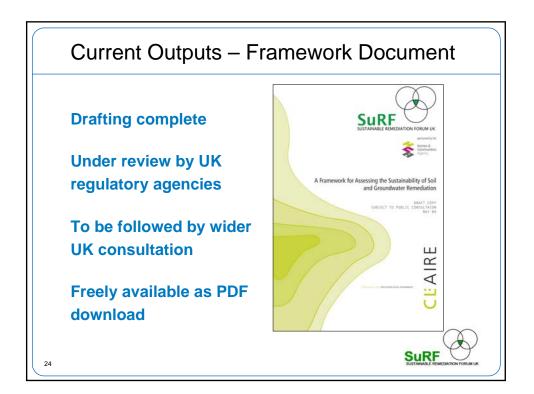


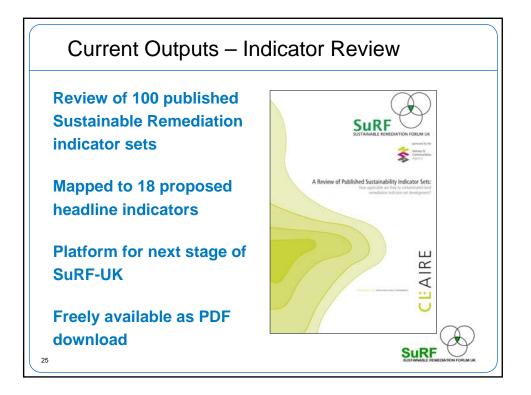


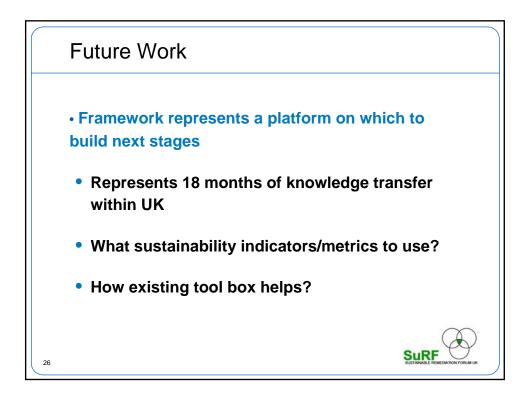


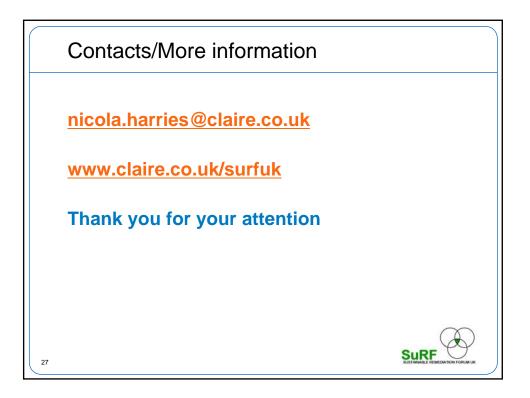








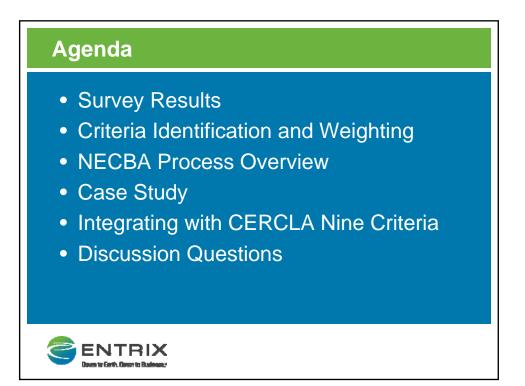




Attachment 5 Integrating Net Environmental and Community Benefits Analysis and CERCLA Nine Criteria Integrating Net Environmental and Community Benefits Analysis and CERCLA Nine Criteria

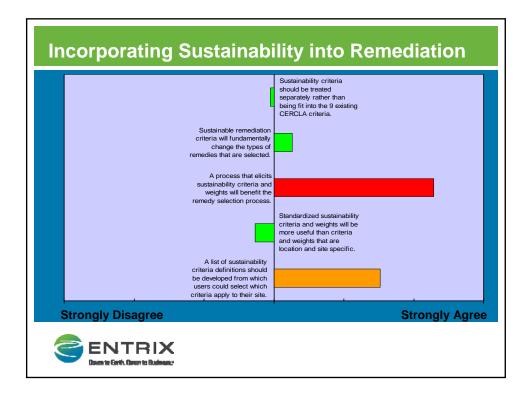
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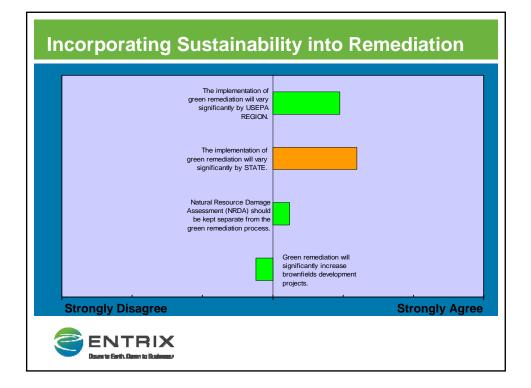


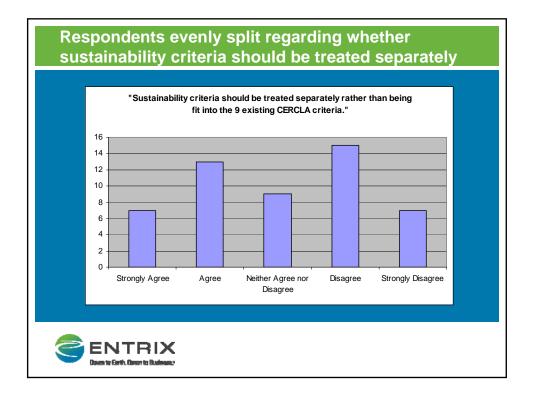


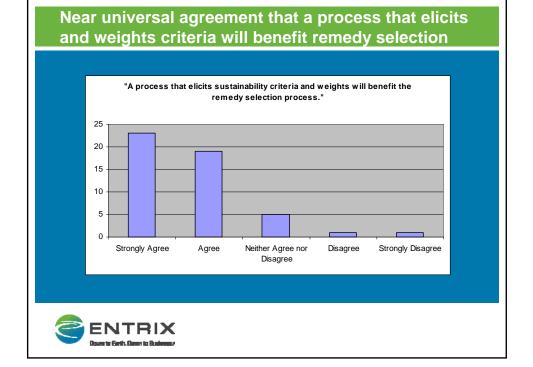


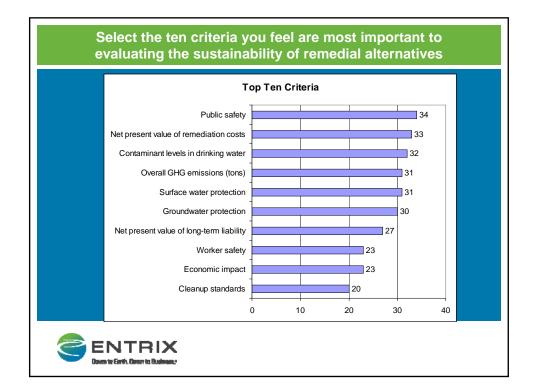
- Collect opinions regarding the importance of standardization of criteria
- Demonstrate a process for identifying and weighting evaluation criteria
- Emphasize trade-offs are important
  - They are not easy
  - Indicate our preferences









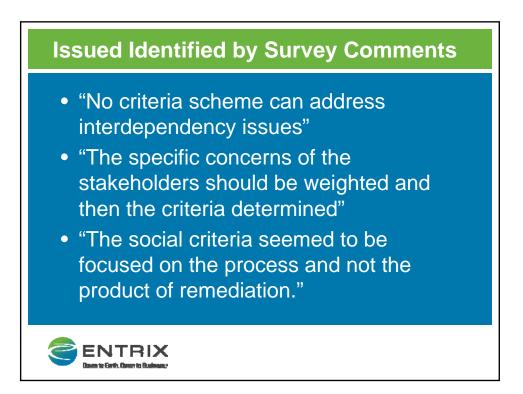


## Other Suggested Criteria

- Water Usage
- Waste Generation
- Material Usage During Capping
- Habitat Impacts
- Land Use Potential
- Institution Controls
- Community Involvement in Planning Process
- Remediation Success
- Removal and Management of Human Health Risk

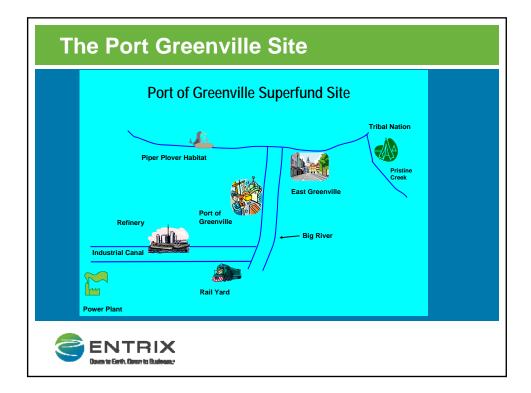


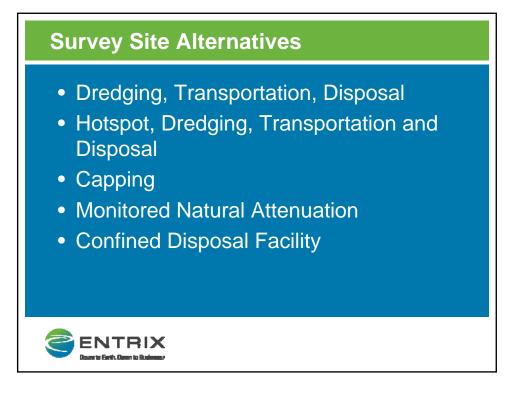
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	Long-term	Reduction of						
	effectiveness and Performance	Toxicity, Mobility, or Volume	Short-term effectiveness	Implementability	Cost	State Acceptance	Community Acceptance	Row Total
Remediation cost	3	2	0	2	34	0	1	42
Completion time	6	2	12	15	2	3	2	42
Increased employment	3	0	1	2	4	0	30	40
GHG emissions	15	11	6	6	1	3	0	42
Piping plover habitat impacts	24	7	0	3	1	3	4	42
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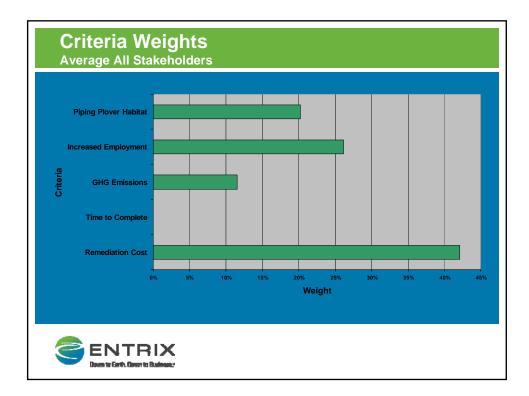
- Specific
- Quantifiable
- Consensus on definition
- Independent of other criteria
- Representative of major effects that are important
- No high/medium/low

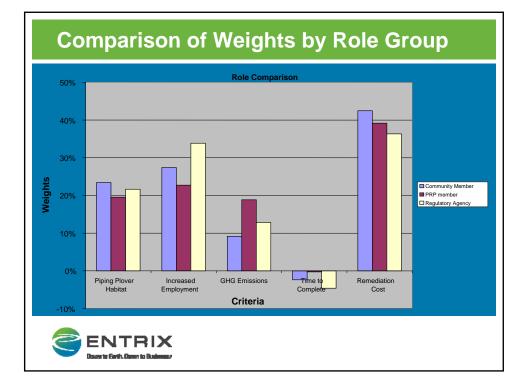






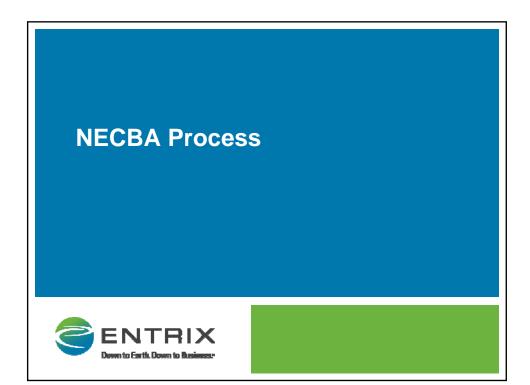
Example Trad	e-off Question	
	Option A	Ooption B
Piping Plover Habitat	50 Acres Remaining	400 Acres Remaining
Increased Employment	500 Full Time Jobs	500 Full Time Jobs
GHG Emissions	1000 Standard Household Years	200 Standard Household Years
Time to Complete Remediation	27 Months	18 Months
Remediation Cost (Present Value)	\$ 8 Million	\$ 90 Million





Forecasted C	riteria (	Outcom	es_		
Criteria	Dredging	Hotspot Dredging	0	Monitored Natural	Confined
Criteria	Disposal	Transportation Disposal	Capping		Disposal Facility
Piping Plover Habitat (Acres Rem.)	400	500			
Empoyment (FTE)	100	.=*	25		
GHG Emissions (SHY)	1300		400	-	
Time to Complete (Months)	27				
Cost (NPV \$ M)	93	14	23	2	75
<b>ENTRIX</b>					
Down to Forth Classe in Business					

Group Average         -82         105         42         100           Community Member         -37         127         66         116           PRP Member         -180         85         9         97	
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### What is **NECBA**

- Process for evaluating alternative strategies that have multiple costs and benefits
- Form of Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis
- Includes techniques for determining evaluation criteria and their relative importance
- Helps make sure that the analysis of remedial alternatives fully reflects the risks, benefits and *trade-offs* of alternative strategies



#### **Multi-Criteria Decision Analysis**

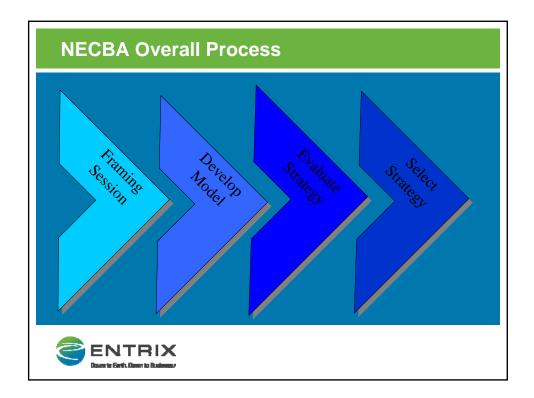
#### Situations Where MCDA Provides Value

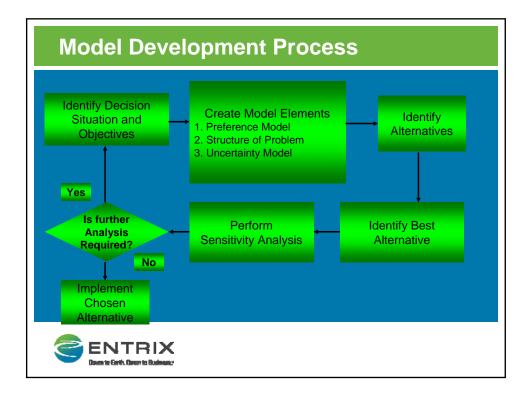
- Complex projects with significant uncertainties
- Numerous potential strategies with multiple decisions
- Multiple stakeholders with competing objectives and different definitions of success
- Potential risks to human health and safety, environment, and reputation
- Significant project costs

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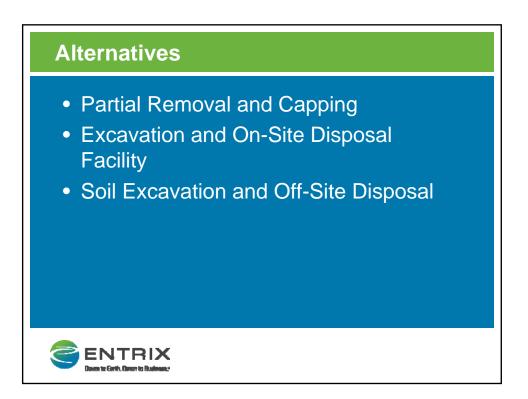
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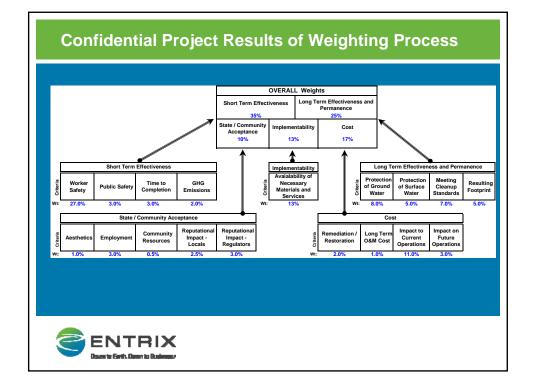
- Organizes stakeholder intuition
- Reveals insights about trade-offs and cost drivers
- Provides a systematic, transparent, decision-making process
- Helps identify the strategy that best meets stakeholder goals
- Provides bottom-line cost savings

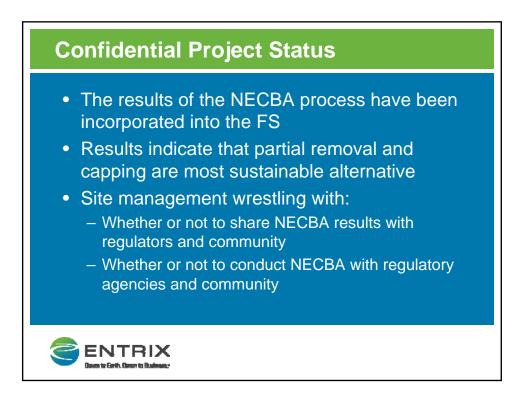


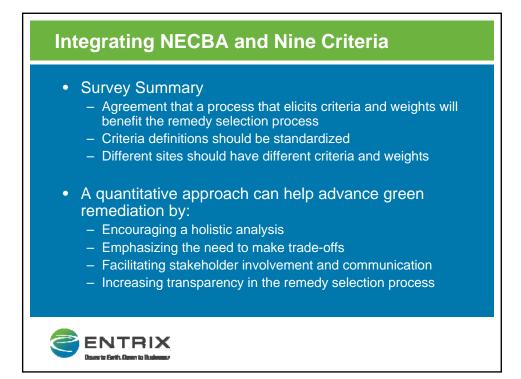


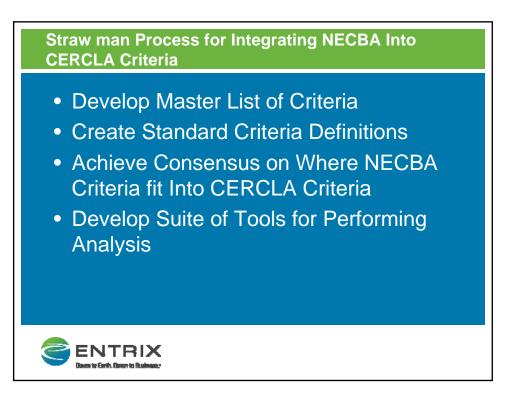


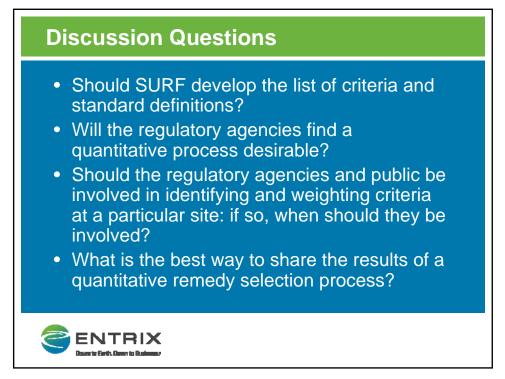






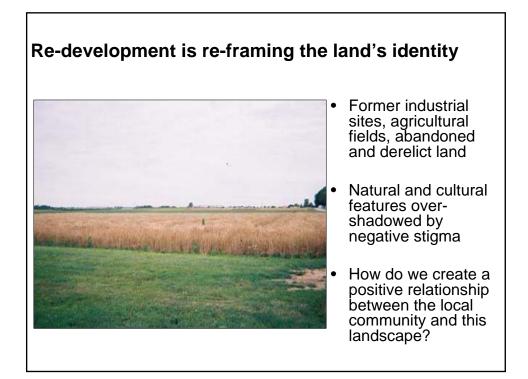


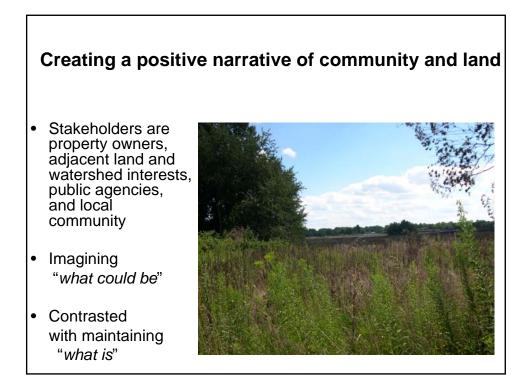


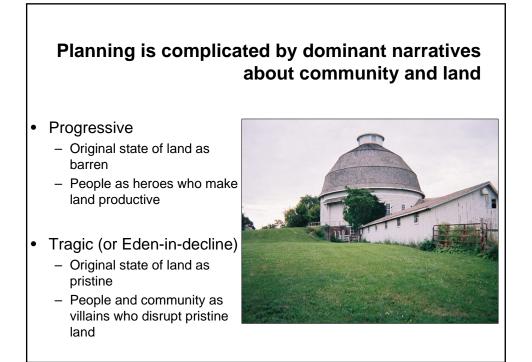


Attachment 6 Photo-Elicitation to Involve Stakeholders in Land Use Re-Development







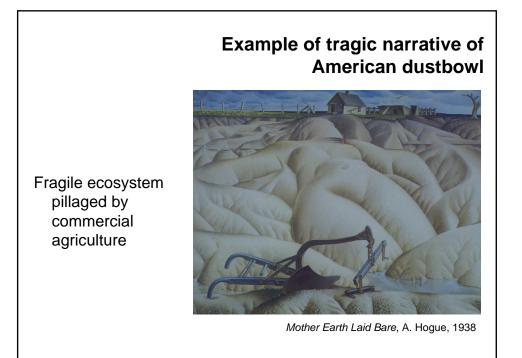


## Example of progressive narrative of American dustbowl



Fall plowing, G. Wood, 1931

- Transformation of a wasteland into a bountiful breadbasket
- Well-ordered landscape due to human ingenuity, persistence, and hard work



## Re-development needs to elicit a community's sense of self



- Narratives about community and land are situated in local culture and constructed by community as truths
- Challenge for stakeholder dialogue is to move beyond embattled cultural narratives

### Facilitating stakeholder dialogue to create a positive narrative

- Public forums adversarial and not usually structured for dialogue or learning
- Need strategy to identify local meanings of place and community
- Process for stakeholders to imagine appropriate narratives for site



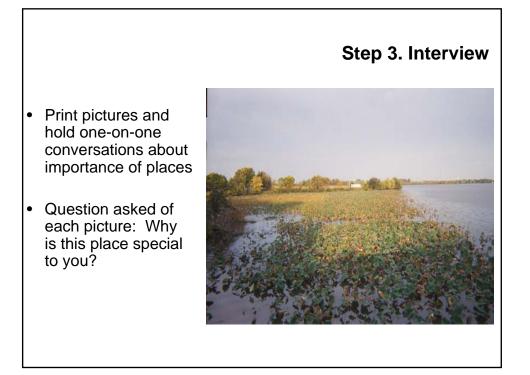
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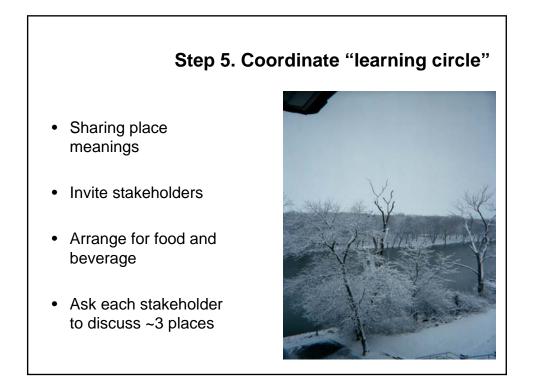
- Technique appropriate at pre-planning phase (or pre-NEPA)
- Stakeholders need to humanize each other
- Process reveals an ethic of caring about the land







# Step 4. Reflect on interview Transcribe interview Send to respective stakeholders Ask to review and modify to better represent their viewpoint – or viewpoint of their organization

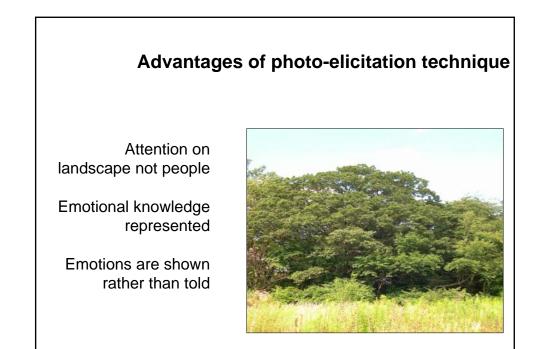


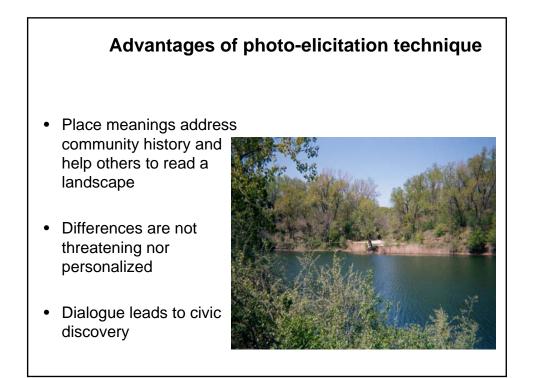
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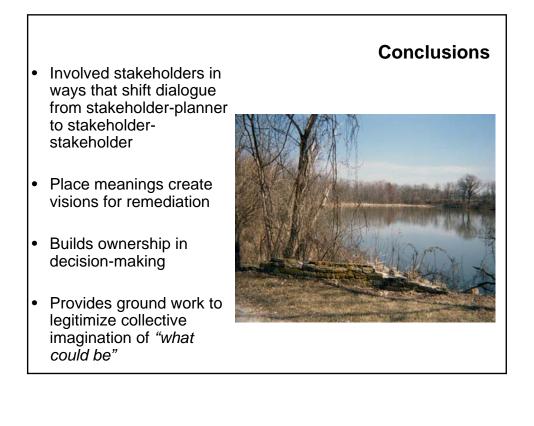
- Projector screen at front of room, seats in semi-circle
- Moderate discussion, allow for dialogue and ideas to grow
- Notepad for each stakeholder, and at end ask "What have you learned?"
- Collect completed notepads, compile, and distribute to stakeholders

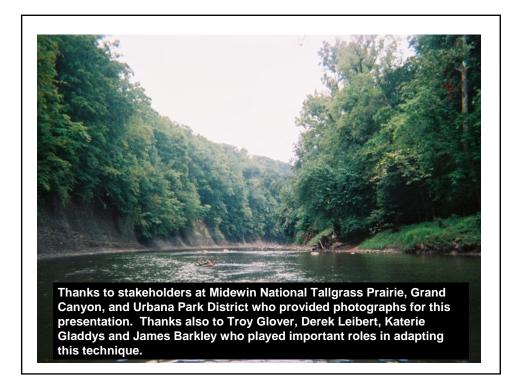






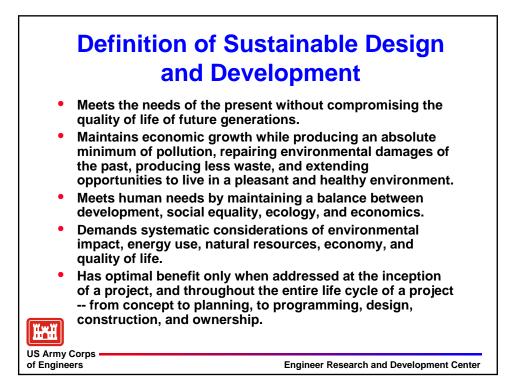
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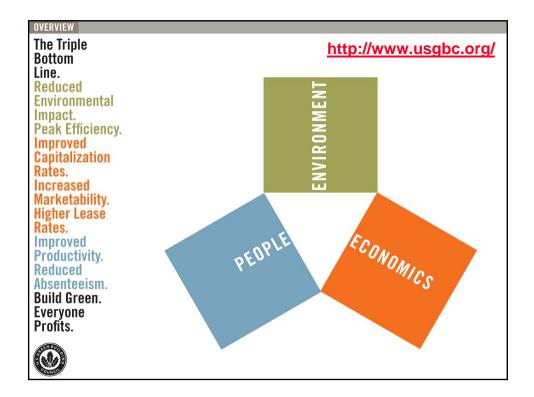


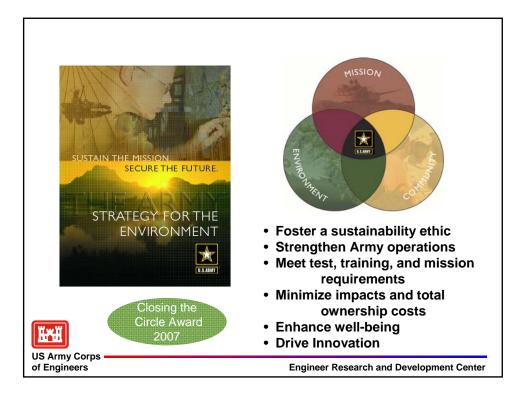
Attachment 7 Applying Sustainable Design and Development Principles to Remediation Sites





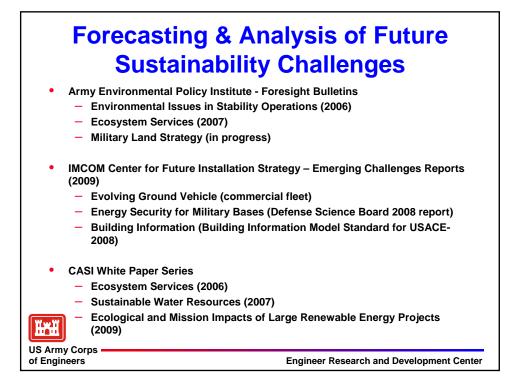


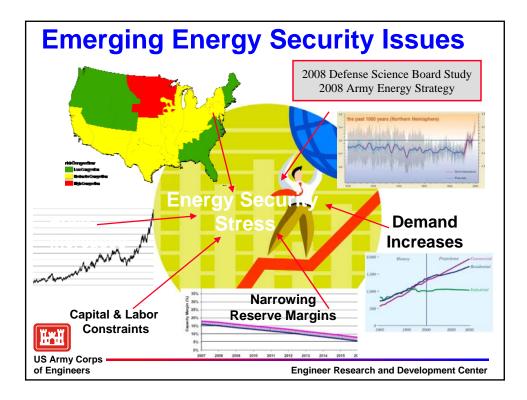


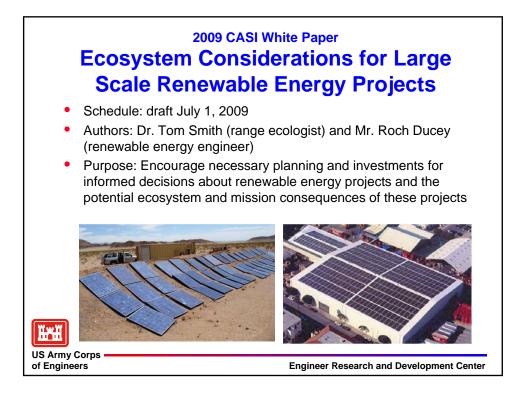


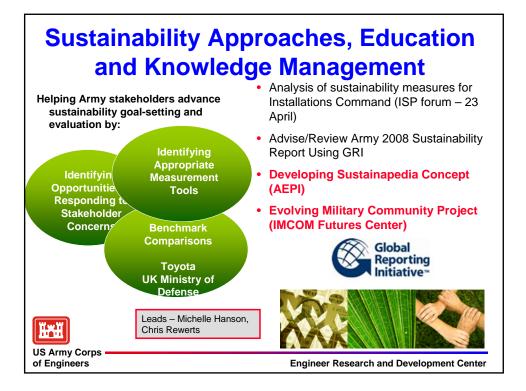


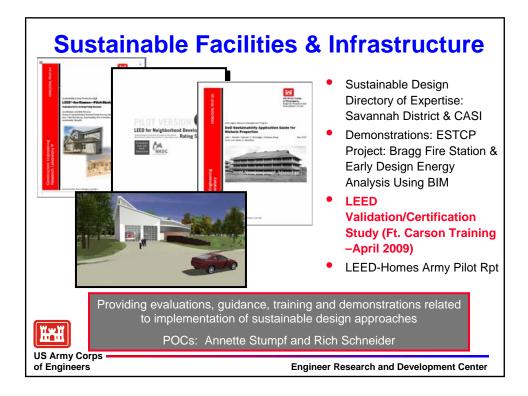




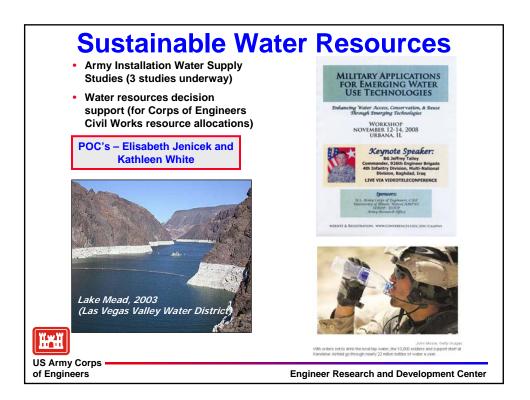


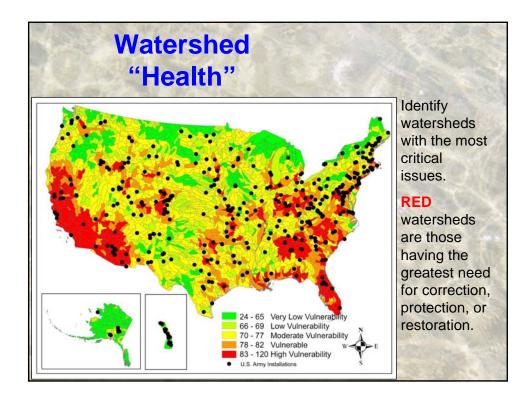


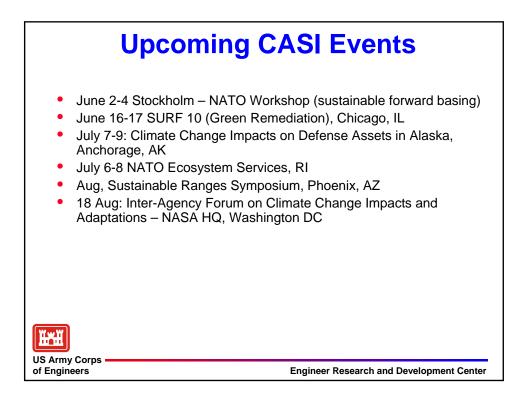


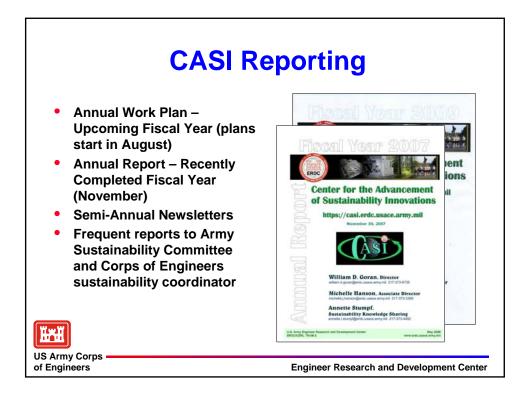


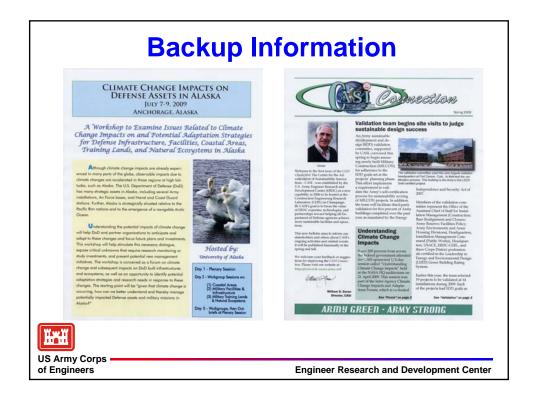




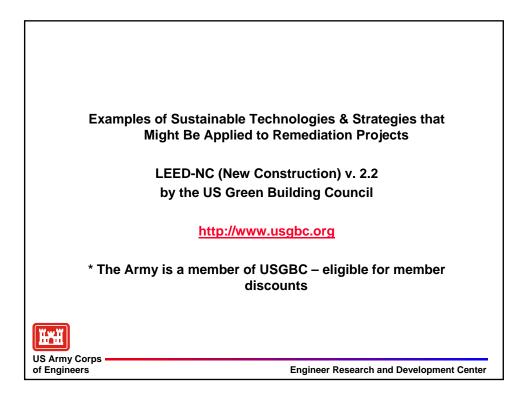




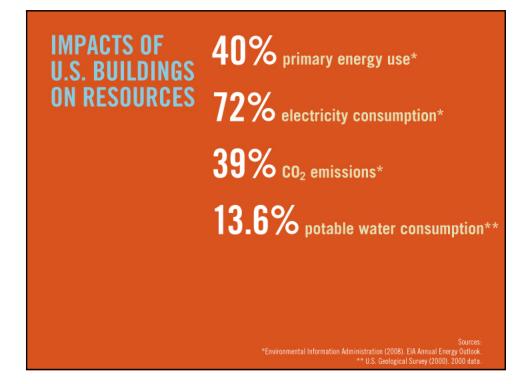




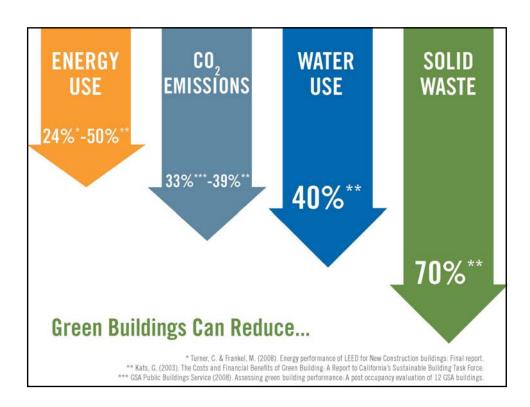


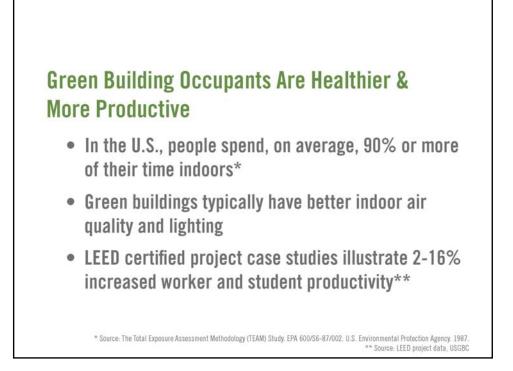


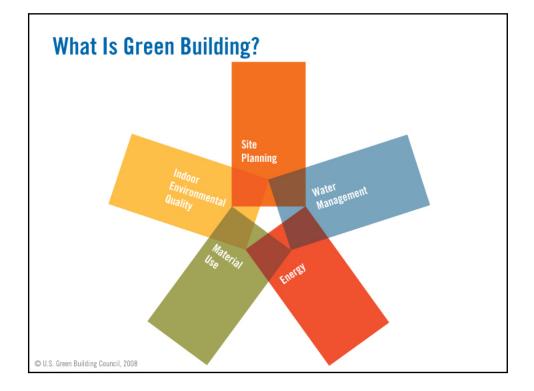




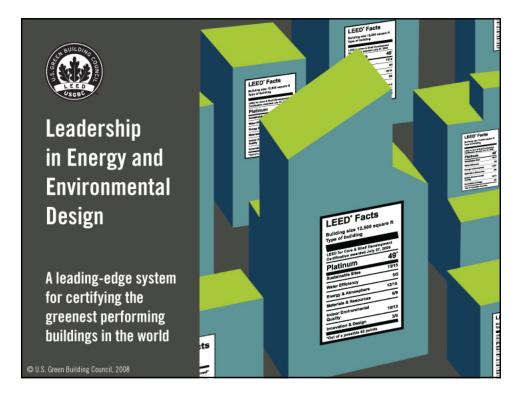


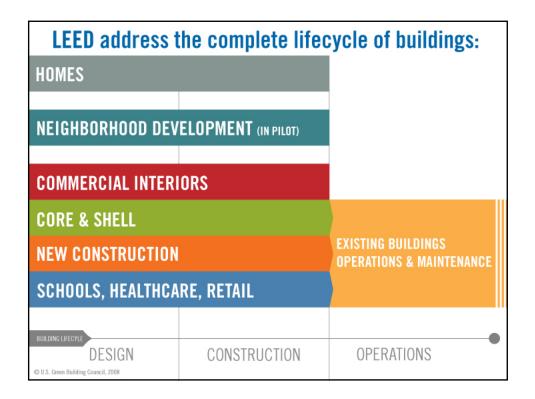




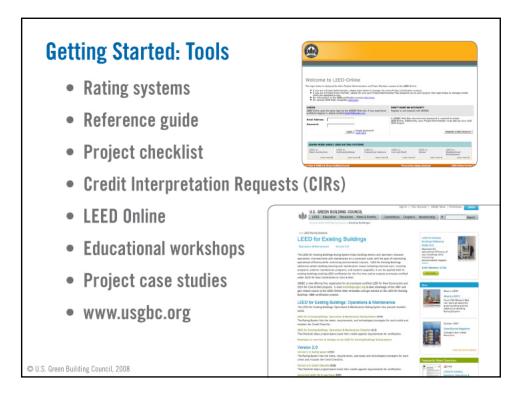


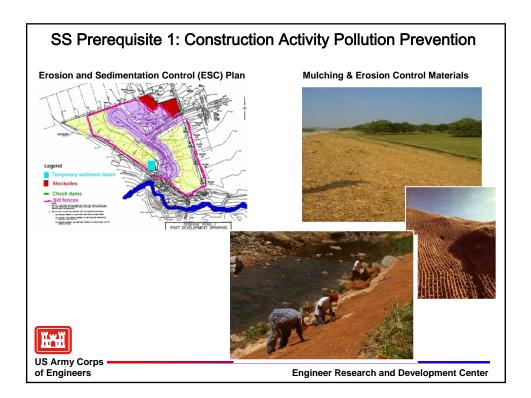


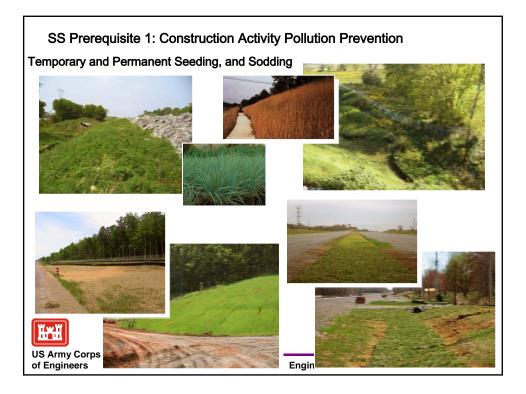


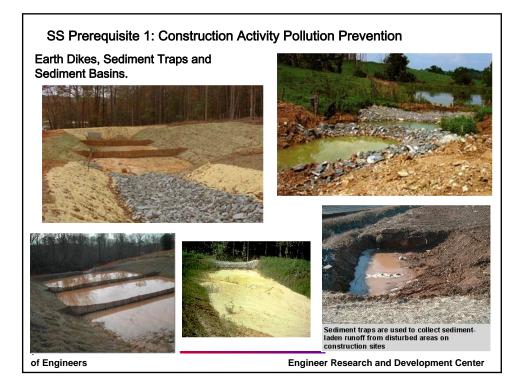




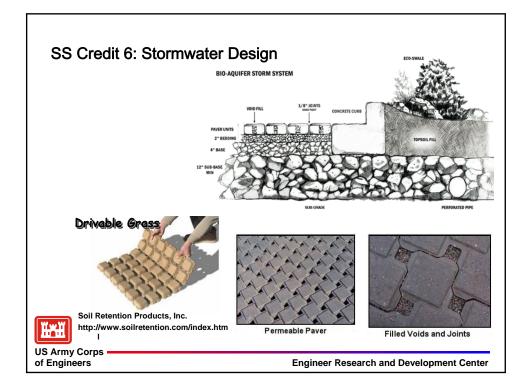


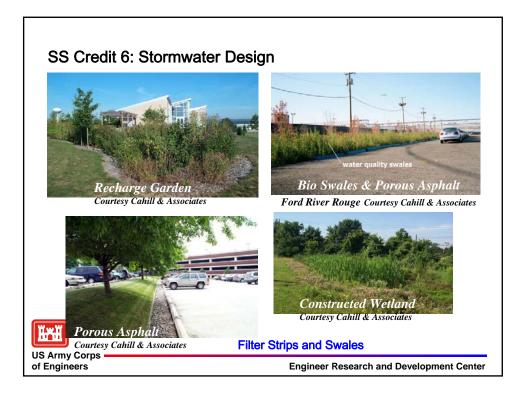


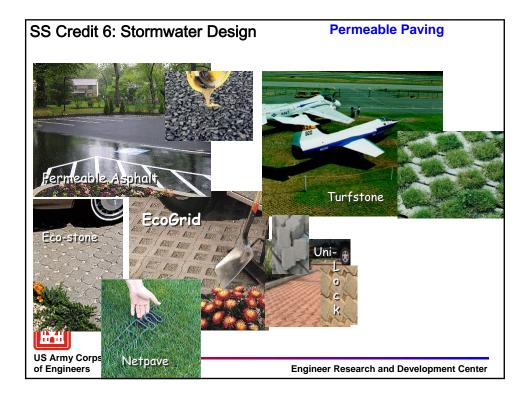


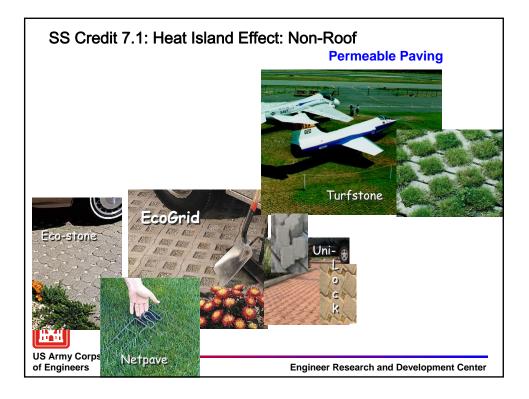




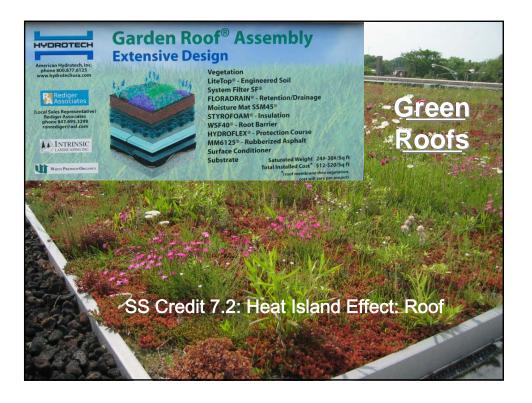


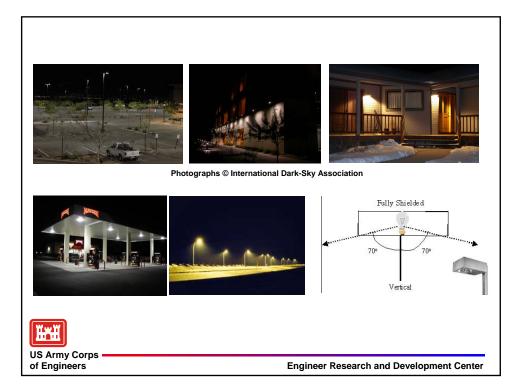


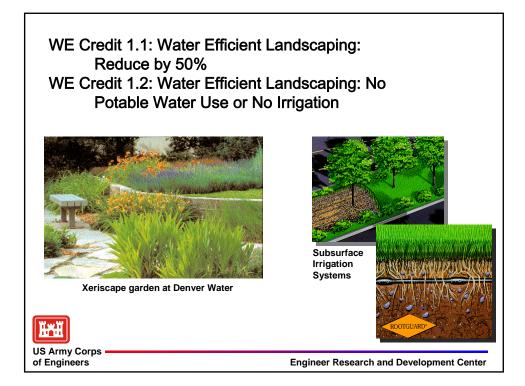


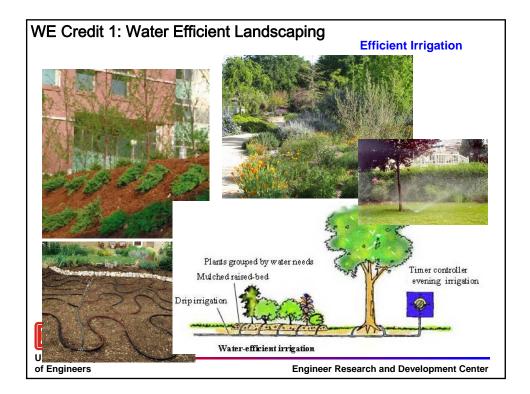


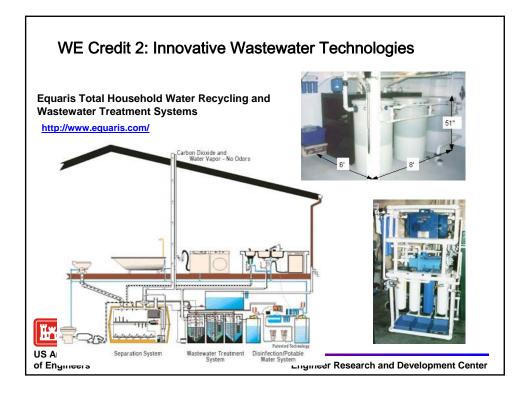




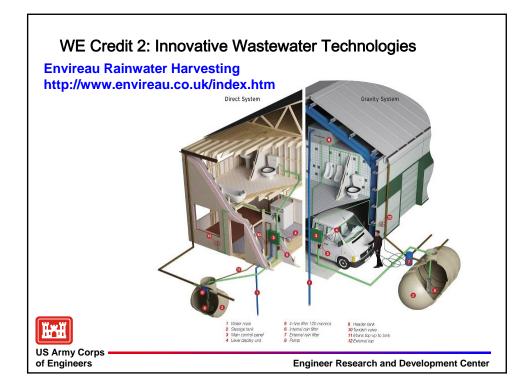


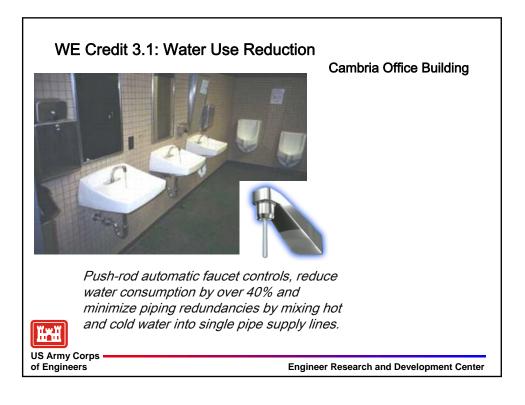


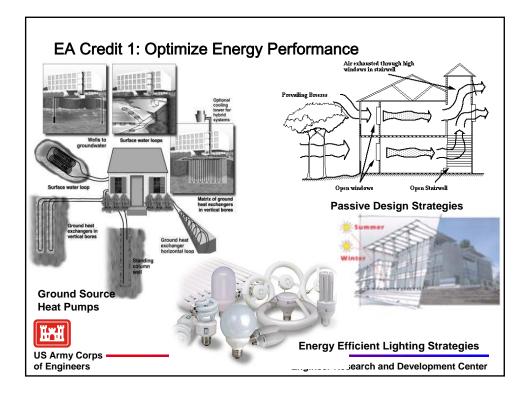


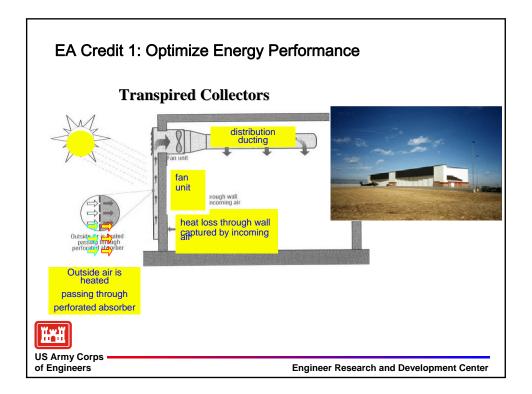




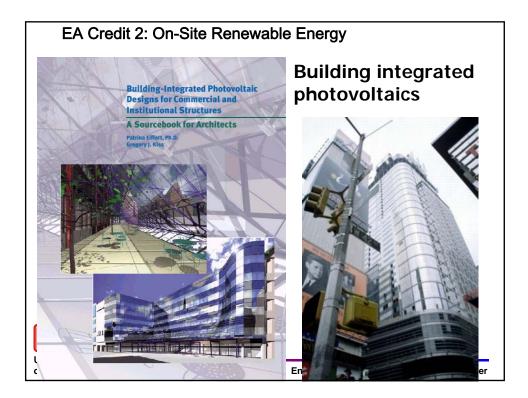


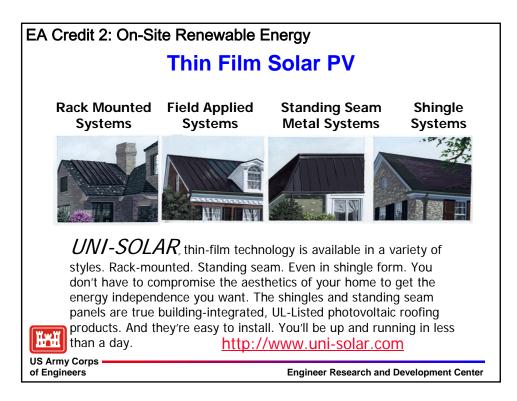


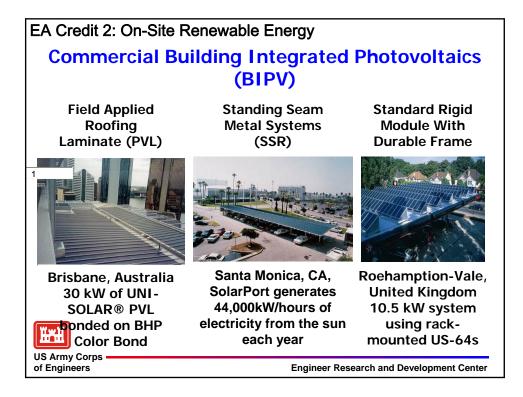


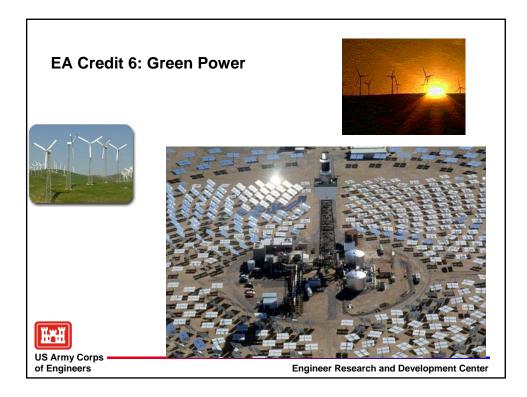


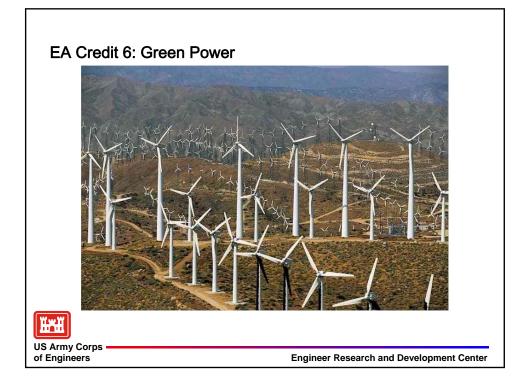


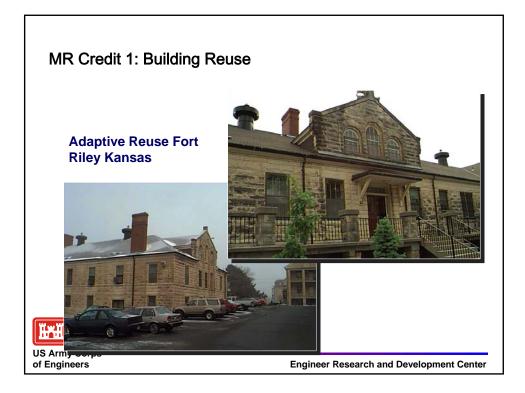


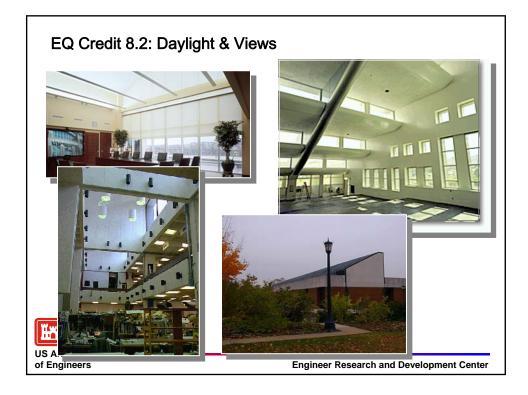


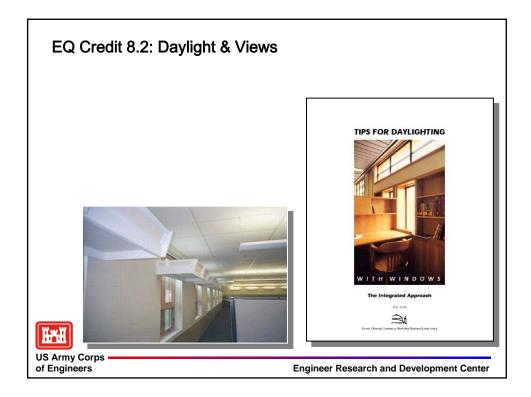














Attachment 8 Greener Cleanups in Illinois and Other States

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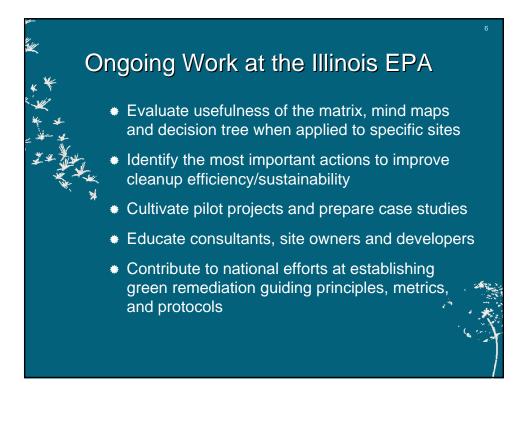


# Greener Cleanups in Illinois

- The Matrix
- 5 Guiding Principles
- Strategy Mind Map for all sites
- Decision Tree & Mind Map for LUST sites
- Illinois EPA RCRA Pilot Study with USEPA Region 9

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About the IEPA >		« Databases
Site Fact Sheets	Greener Cleanups are less polluting, more efficient cleanup activities and technologies designed to	Electronic Waste Recycling
Calendar of	increase the environmental benefits of remediation. By performing greener cleanups, you can:	« Forms
Events		Frequently Asked Ouestions
Rules & Regulations	<ul> <li>Reduce carbon emissions and other greenhouse gases,</li> </ul>	GIS Data
Forms &	Conserve natural resources.	Industrial Material
Publications >	<ul> <li>Improve energy efficiencies (and decrease costs), and</li> </ul>	Exchange Service (IMES)
Vehicle Testing	Reduce waste material requiring off-site disposal.	Information Request
Internships >	Reduce waste material requiring on-site disposal.	(FOIA) Publications
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FOIA Requests	Illinois EPA has developed a series of tools to help site owners, developers and their consultants in	Regional Information
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Small Business	<ul> <li>Sequence work to improve efficiency.</li> </ul>	
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	a. Reduce waste disposal.	
Go	b. Reduce the need for new materials, including clean fill and potable water.	
	<ul> <li>Use existing infrastructure.</li> </ul>	
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	<li>b. Use renewable energy sources to power cleanup activities where possible.</li>	
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### Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials (ASTSWMO) Greener Cleanups Task Force (GCTF)

- Illinois (chair)
- California
- Colorado
- Delaware
- Georgia
- Massachusetts
- Missouri
- New York
- Oklahoma
- Oregon

#### Mission

Facilitate cleanup decisions that increase the net environmental benefits of remediation, and in doing so, contribute to site sustainability.

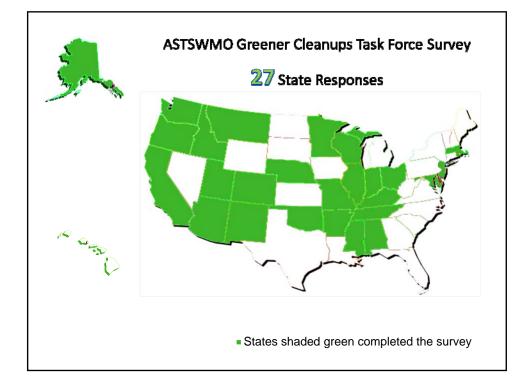
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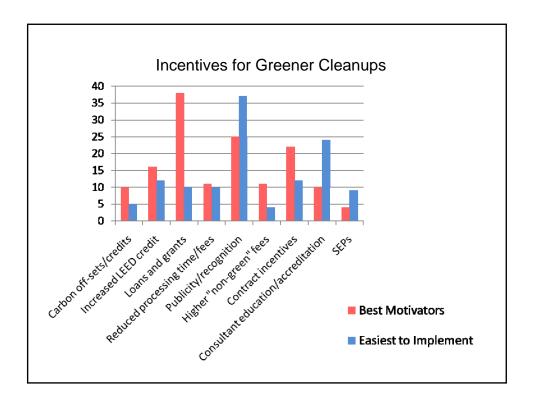
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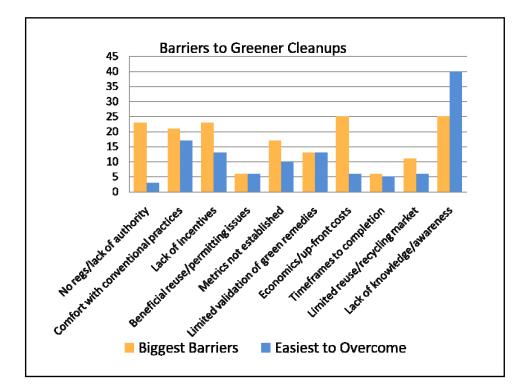
- Identify best practices and incentives for greener cleanups;
- Support State programs in their efforts to integrate these approaches into State remedy selection and implementation processes;
- Strengthen partnerships between the States and U.S. EPA to improve greener cleanup capacities; and
- Operate as a technical resource for other ASTSWMO task forces and sub-committees.

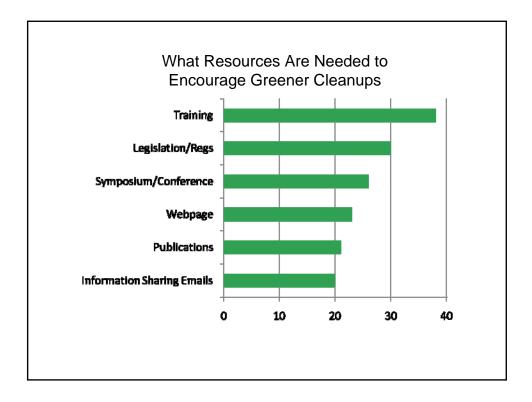
## GCTF States Survey

- Short on-line survey of ASTSWMO members in March 2009 specific to greener cleanups
- Used to help develop content of task force strategy papers
- 44 responses from 27 states
- All regulatory programs represented (CERCLA, RCRA, Federal Facilities, Voluntary Cleanups, Brownfields and Tanks)
- The survey email contained a background paper introducing greener cleanups and its relevance to state regulators

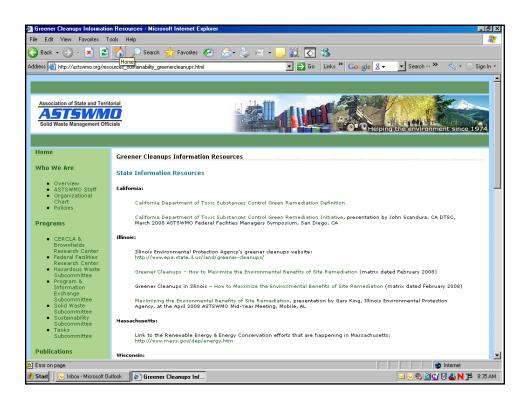


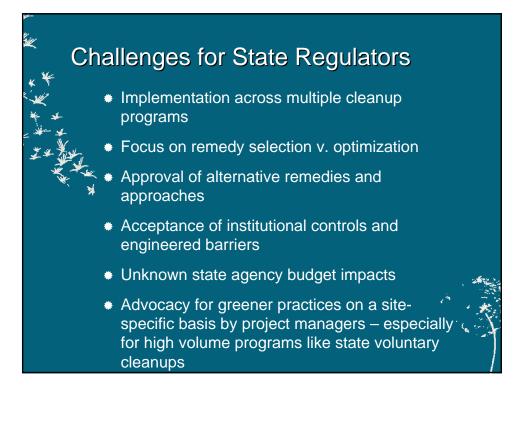












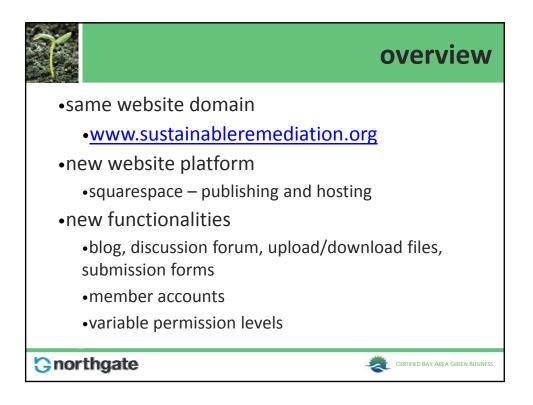
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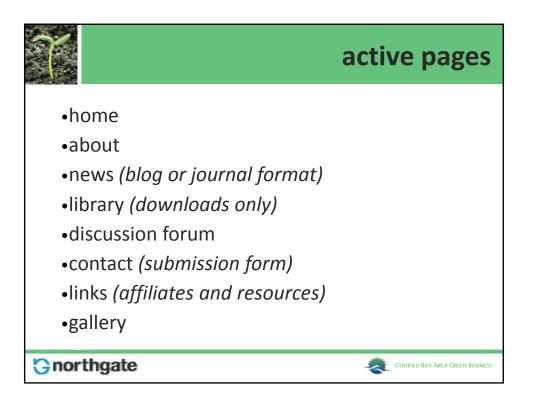
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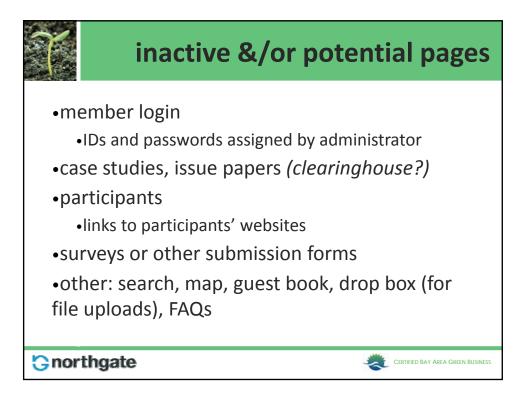
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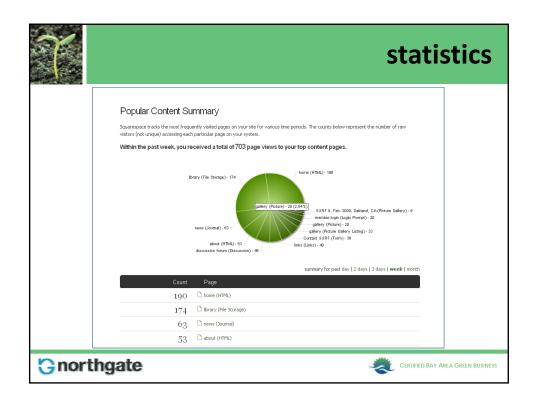


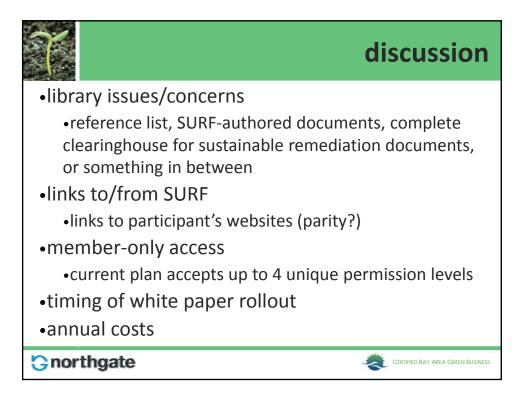






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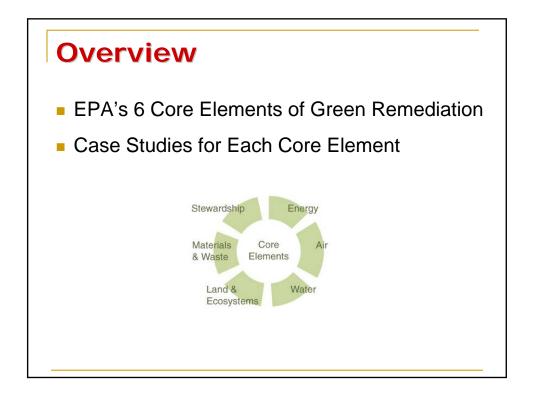


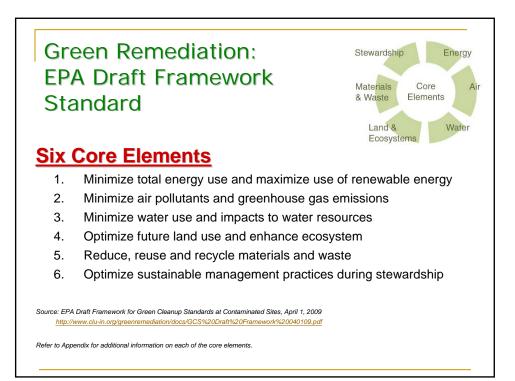


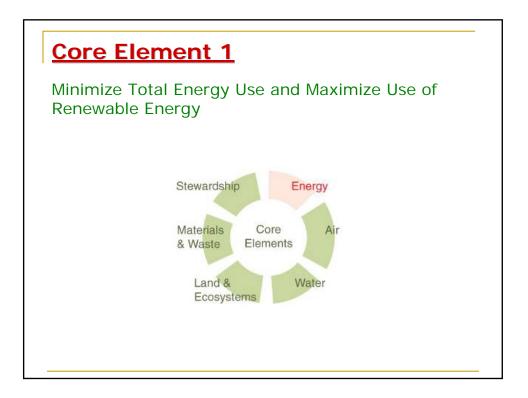


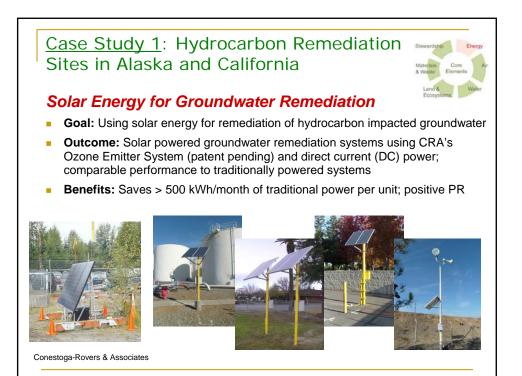
Attachment 10 Implementing the USEPA's Six Core Elements of Green Remediation

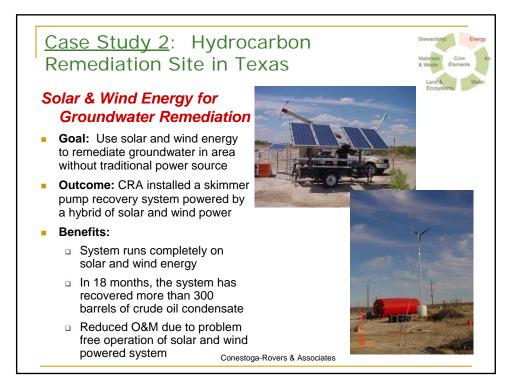


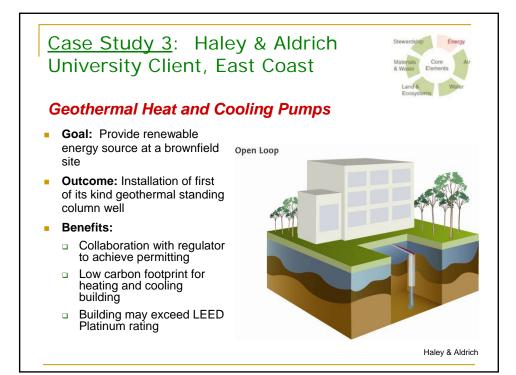


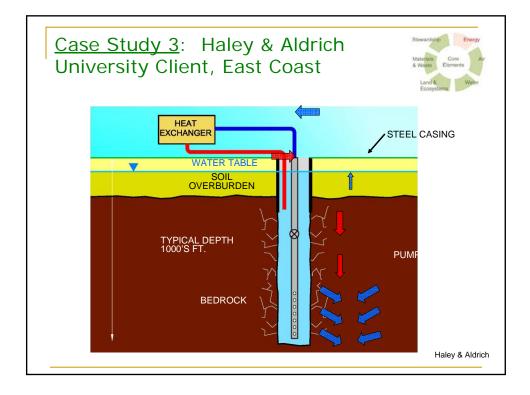


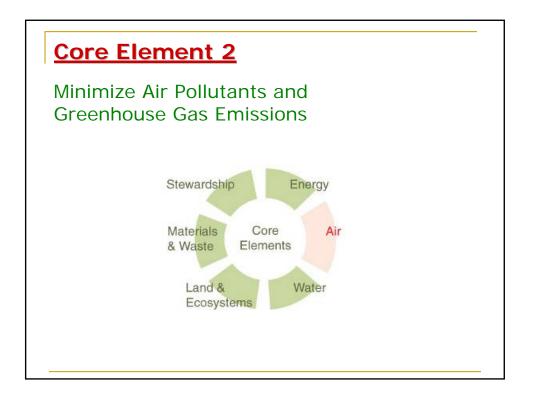


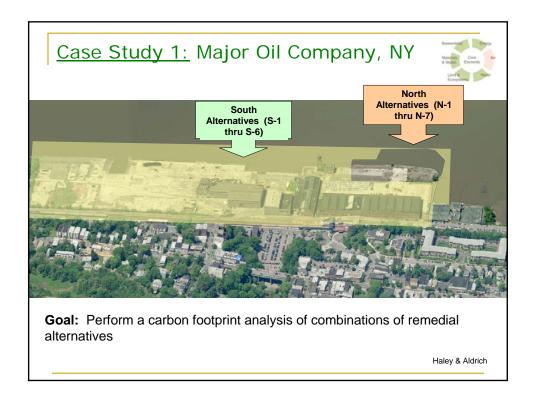




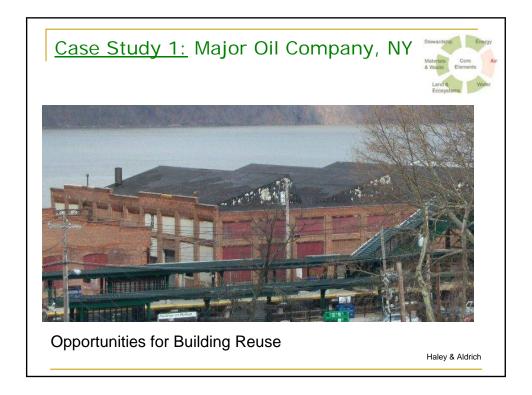


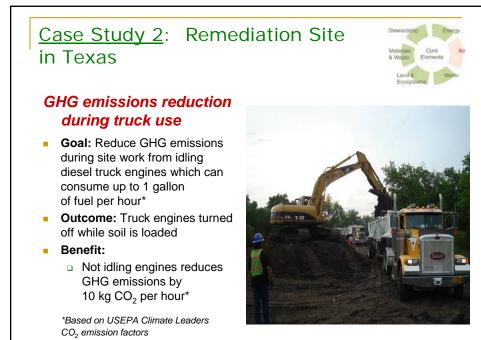




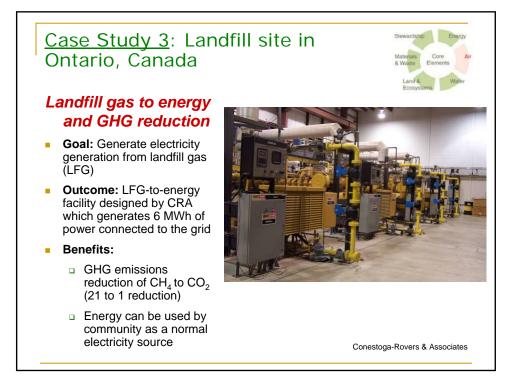


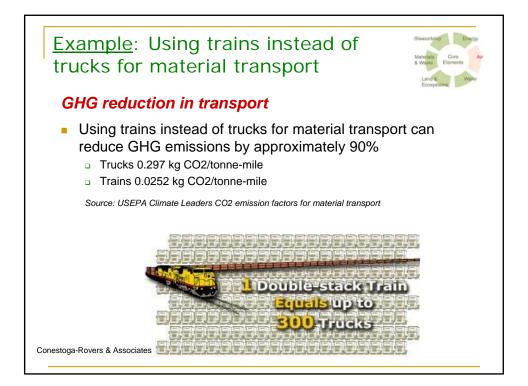
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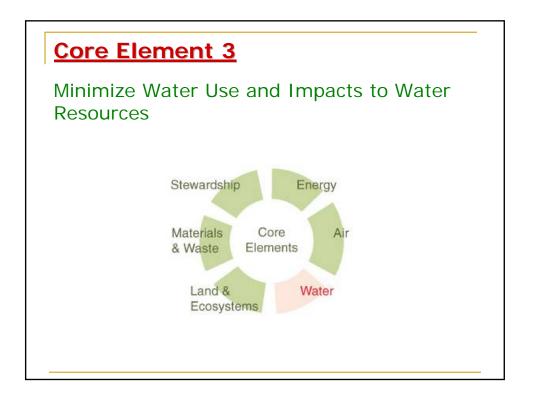




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#### <u>Case Study 1</u>: Groundwater Remediation Site in Nebraska

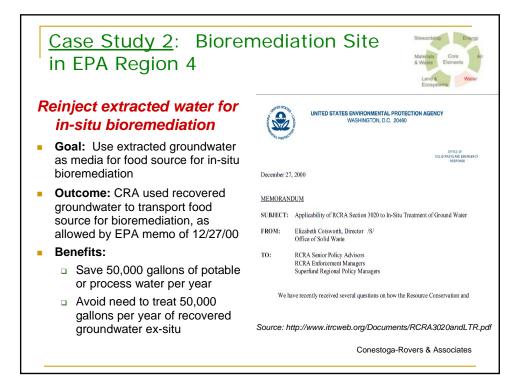


#### Recover usable water

- Goal: Cleanup chlorinated hydrocarbons in groundwater and offer treated water for beneficial non-potable use
- Outcome: 350 million gallons of contaminated groundwater remediated since Fall 2004 via a groundwater remediation system installed by CRA
- Benefit: Portion of treated water made available to local farmers for use with irrigation or livestock

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### **Re-Use of Water in Cooling Towers**

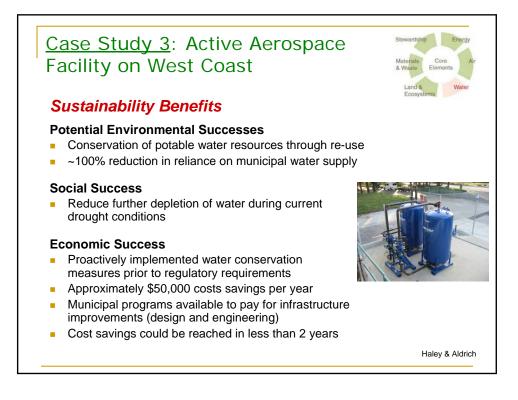
- Cooling towers on Site for facility operations
- Groundwater pump and treat system currently treats impacted groundwater
- Facility purchases water for use in cooling towers and pays for extracted groundwater

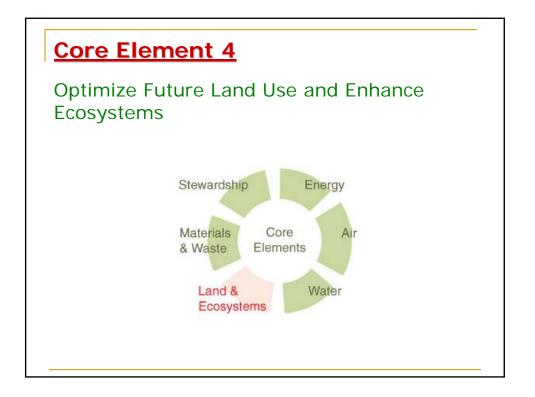
*Goal:* Can both systems be integrated?

**Outcome:** Remedial design system integrates groundwater treatment and reuse in cooling towers



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# Case Study 2: Former Waste Site in Nebraska

### Stewardship Energy Materials Core & Waste Elements A Land & Water

### Restore native habitat

- Goal: Cleanup 40 acre site that was abandoned and which had received miscellaneous debris dumping
- **Outcome:** CRA cleaned up site and planted with native prairie grass
- Benefits:
  - Restored 40 acres of habitat
  - Native prairie grass acts as a vegetative cover for runoff control and habitat development
  - Grass cover acts as a riparian buffer and prevents discharges to nearby water bodies

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### <u>Case Study 3</u>: Wetlands and Stream Restoration Site in Midwest

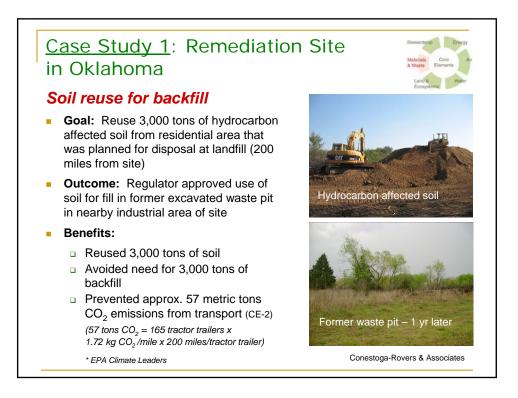
### Restore wetlands habitat

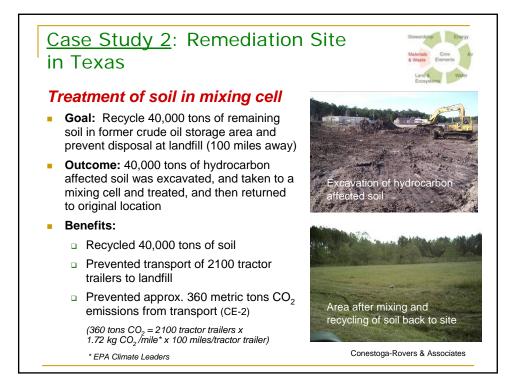
- Goal: Restoration of 10 acres of PCB affected sediment in wetlands, riparian zone and stream site area
- Outcome: Hot spot sediments removed to 1.0 mg/kg PCBs and used on-site natural materials to create habitat features
- Benefits (1 year later):
  - Increased flood storage capacity
  - Increased habitat diversity
  - Increased wildlife diversity
  - Doubled number of fish species
  - Also, minimized need for 5000 cubic yds imported backfill
  - Also, minimized truck traffic and associated GHG emissions (CE-2)

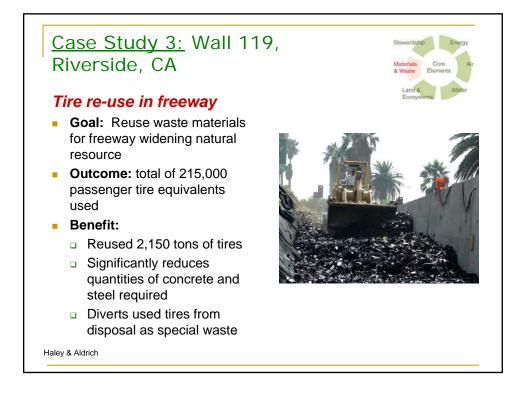
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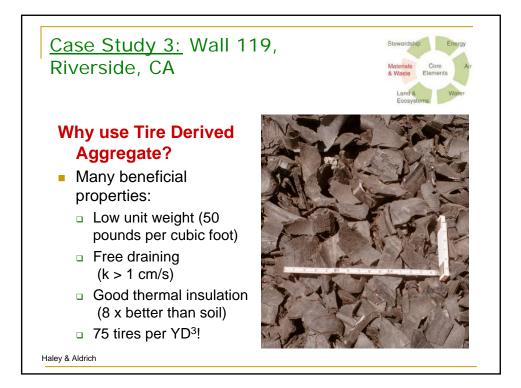




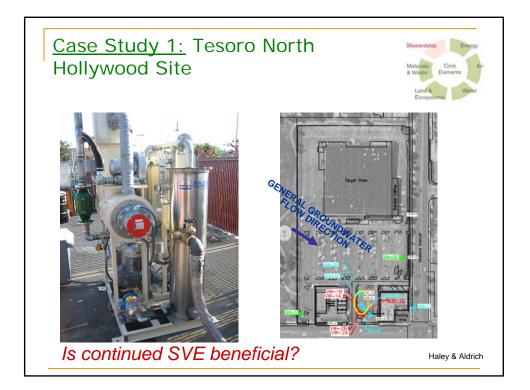


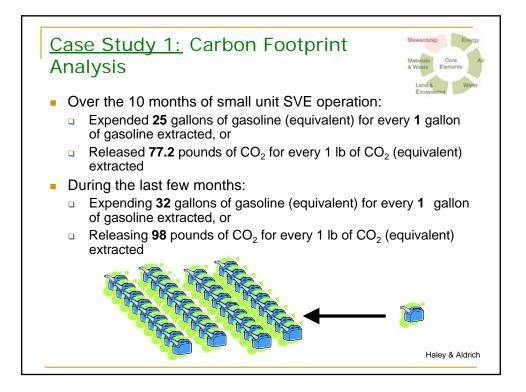


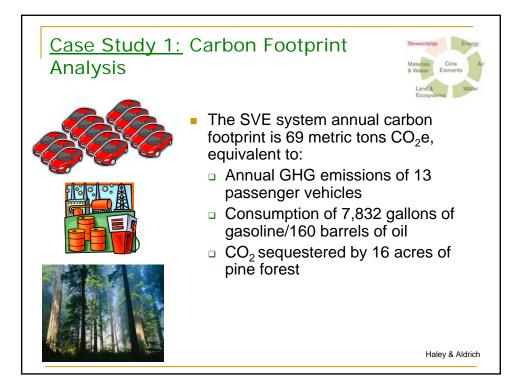


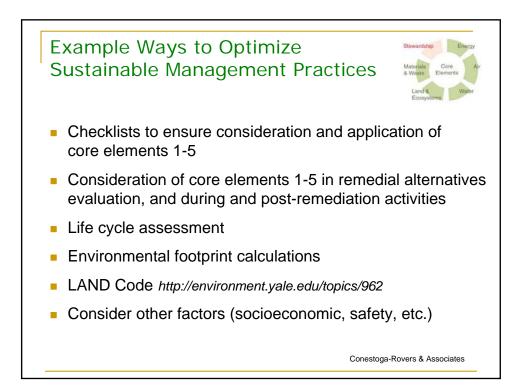




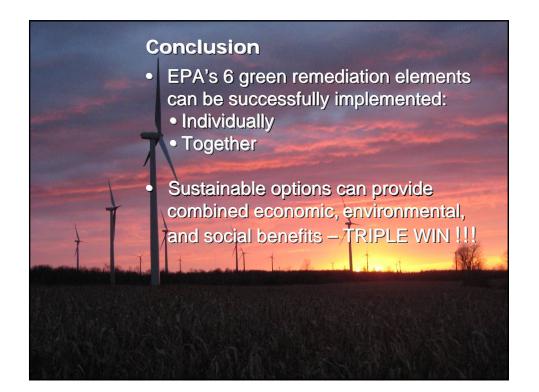








Options for Ne	egative & Positive Impa	acts Materials Core & Water Elements Land & Ecosystems Wa
Core Element	Evaluate negatives	Evaluate positives
1. Energy	Total energy use: natural gas (BTU), electricity (kWh), fuel (gallons)	Renewable energy applied (KWh saved by solar, wind, geothermal, biomass energy)
2. Air	Total air pollutants, GHG emissions (CO <sub>2</sub> e), dust	GHG emission reductions ( $CH_4$ to $CO_2$ )
3. Water	Total water use (gallons or liters)	Water recovery (gallons or liters)
4. Land	Total land disturbed (acres/tons); noise and lighting disturbances	Land reuse (acres/tons); ecosystems enhanced
5. Materials & Waste	Waste generated (tons)	Materials reused (tons)



## **Contact Information**

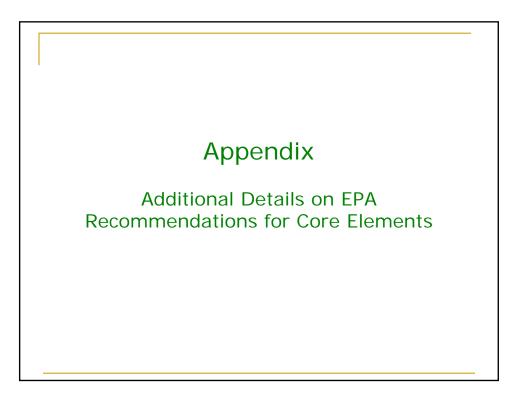
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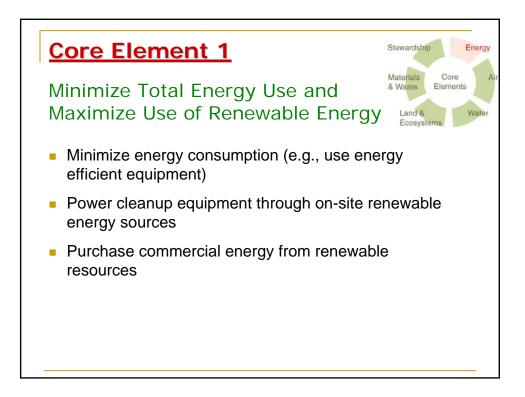
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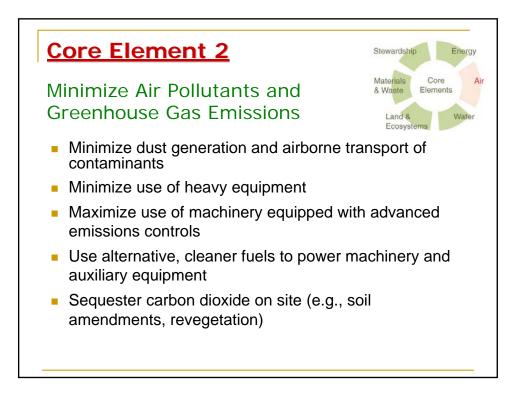
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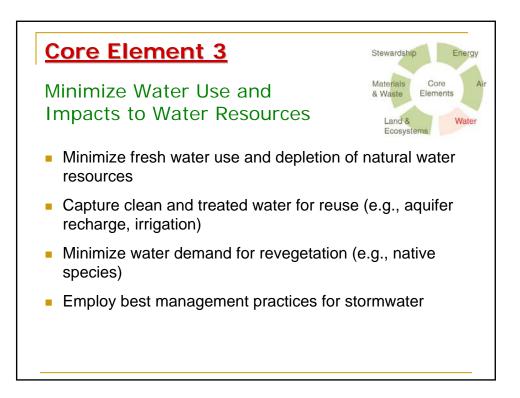
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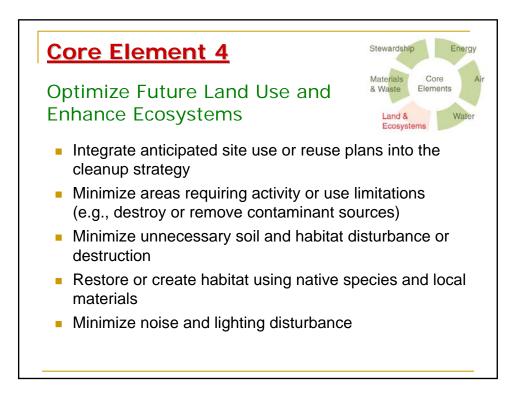
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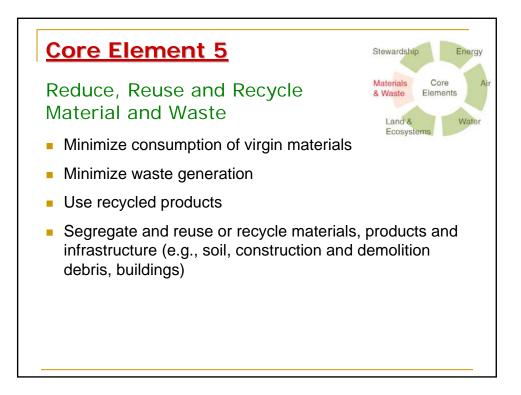


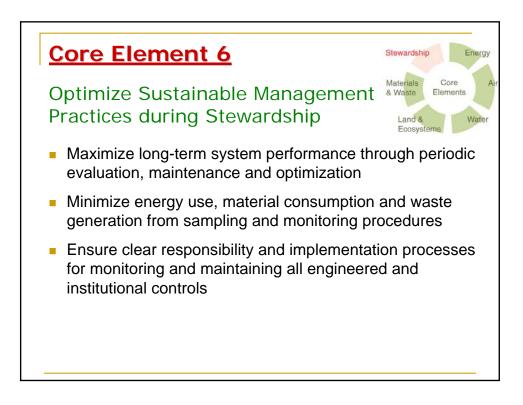






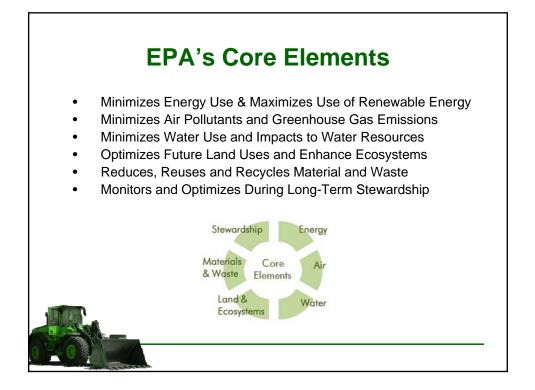


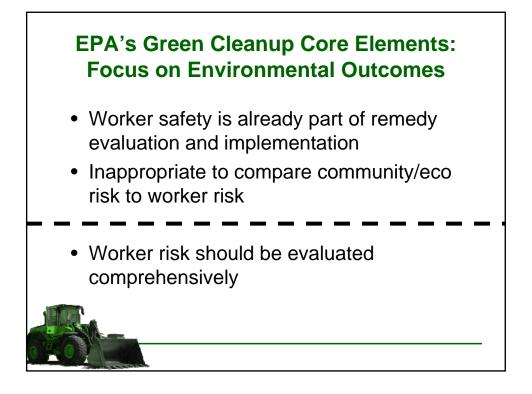


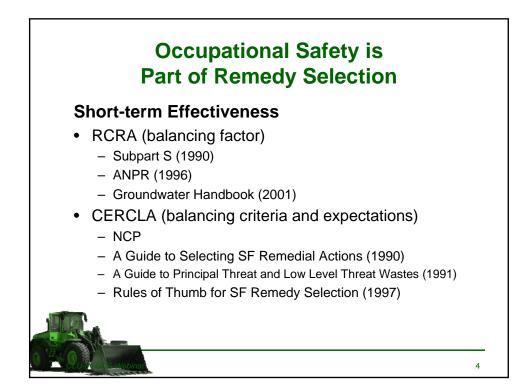


Attachment 11 Risk Issues at Green Cleanups



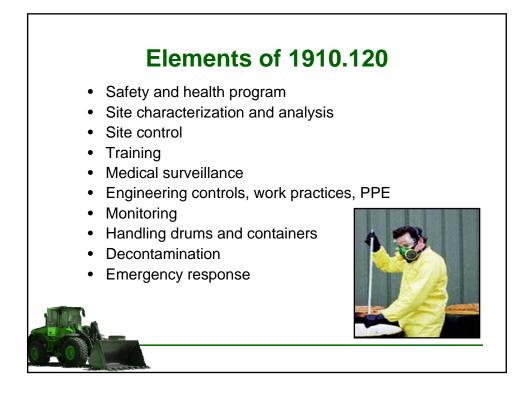




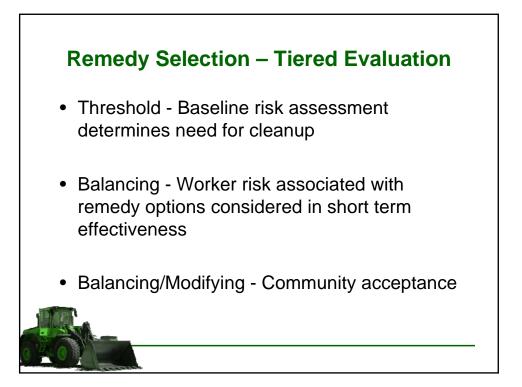


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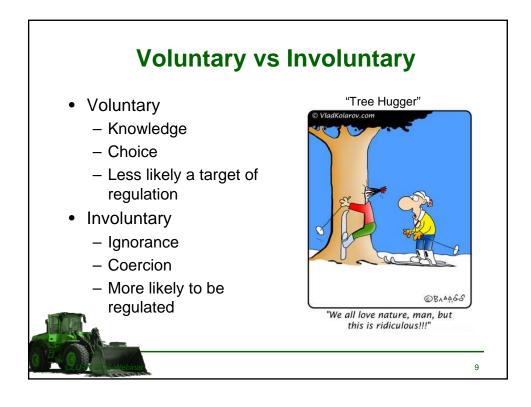
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- Sites recommended for NPL
- RCRA sites
- State sites
- VCP sites
- · Contractors on those sites
- Government employees

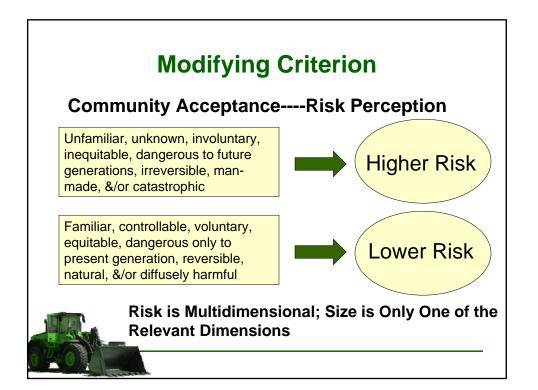


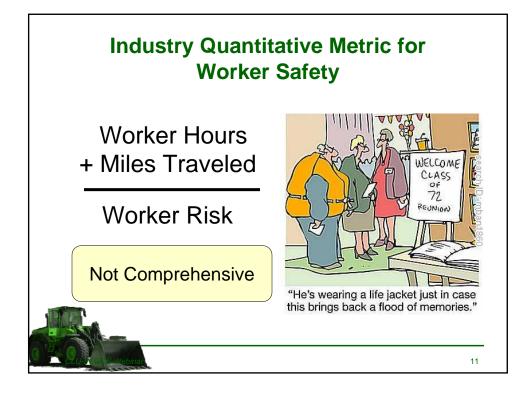
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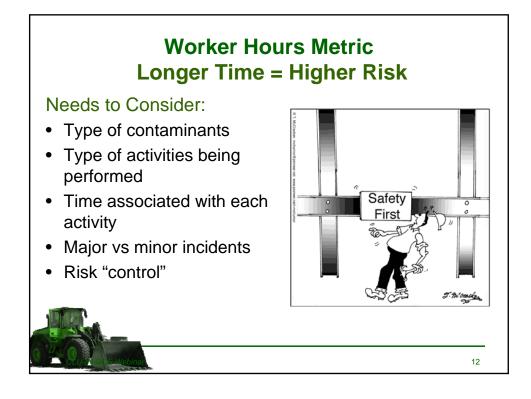












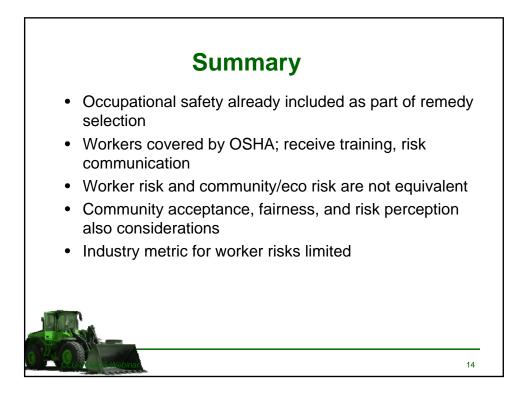
## Miles Traveled Metric Longer Distance = Higher Risk

### Needs to Consider:

- Risks for transportation are baseline risks for driver
  - Associated with occupation of truck driving, not with company
  - Benefits to driver (employment)
- Comparing transportation rates to cancer risk from waste
  - Short term vs. chronic
  - Voluntary vs. involuntary



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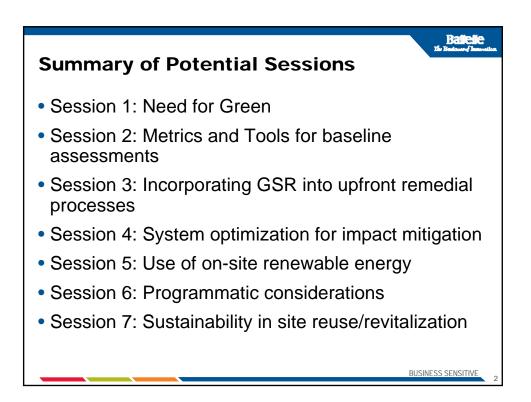
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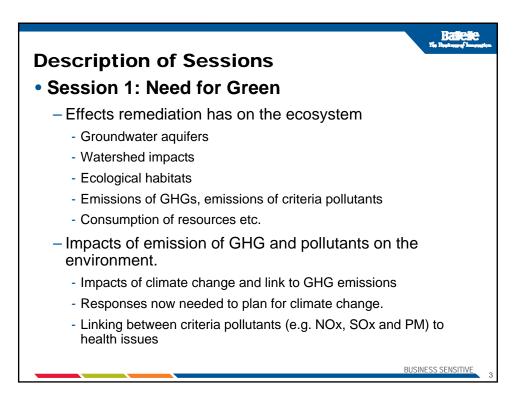
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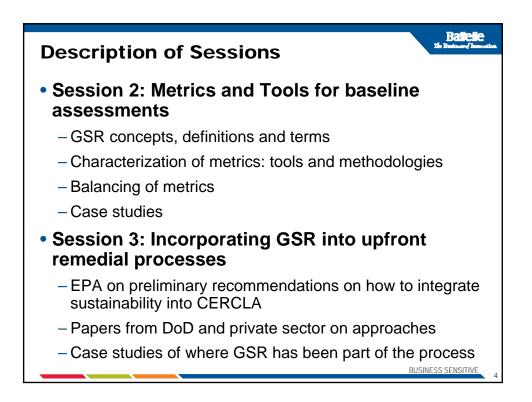


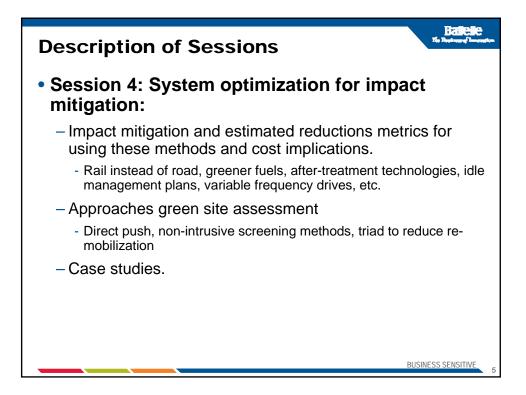
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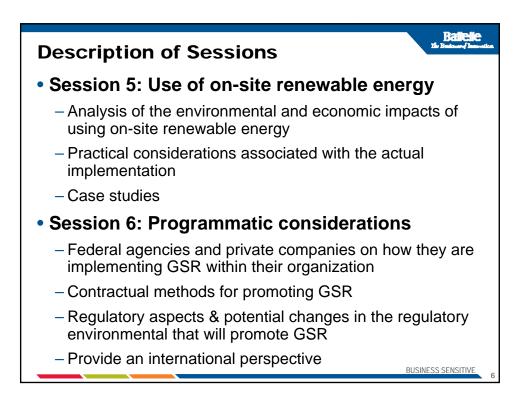


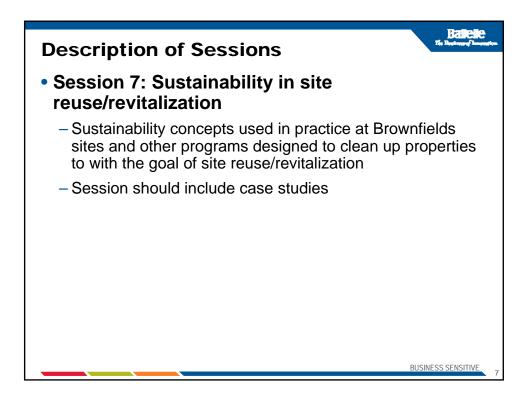


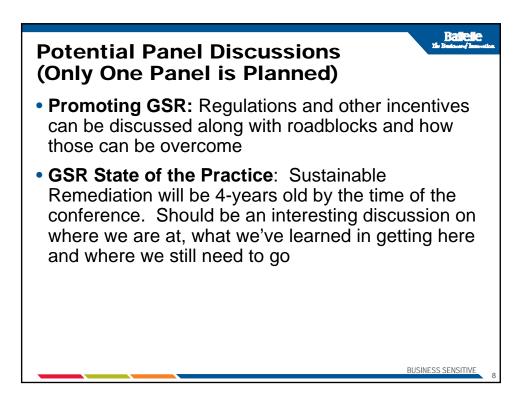












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## **Timeline of Activities**

Date	Responsibility	Activity	
6/30/09	GSR Sub- committee/SuRF	Provide session list and list of prospective session chairs with contact information to the Battelle Program Coordinator.	
7/1/09	Battelle Program Coordinator (PC)	E-mail (citing tentative title of session) prospective session chairs, providing guidelines for soliciting abstracts.	
6/22/09- 7/20/09	Prospective session chairs	Contact possible presenters asking for abstracts by Aug 31 at the latest.	
7/22/09	Prospective session chairs	Provide list of names and contact info to Battelle program coordinator to ensure that abstracts submitted in response to the request are flagged. New information can be added as new prospective presenters are identified.	
7/31/09 - 8/31/09	Prospective Presenters	Submit abstracts (published due date is 7/31 but invited abstracts need to be in no later than 8/31 to be considered for the program (accepted abstracts can be modified at a later date).	
8/5/09 – 9/14/09	Program Committee	Complete general review of abstracts (800 to 1000), develop list of sessions and session chairs and assign abstracts to sessions.	
9/25/09	Battelle PC	E-mail those invited to chair sessions and confirm their willingness to serve as chairs. Also email prospective session chairs for which no sessions are available for them.	
10/5/09	Battelle PC	Send session chairs abstracts tentatively assigned to that session.	
10/15/09	Session Chairs	Complete abstract review and inform Program Coordinator of the recommendations of which are selected as platforms, posters, appropriate for alternate session or not appropriate for conference	
10/16/09- 11/23/09	Battelle PC and Session Chairs	Modify the recommendations due to abstracts that are moved to alternate sessions.	
~11/23/09	Battelle PC	Inform prospective presenters of the selection results and provide instructions.	
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Attachment 13 SURF Organizational Structure Discussion

## **Mission Statement**

### **Breakout Group Participants**

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### **Summary of Discussions**

Participants were provided with the current working draft of the mission statement and objectives, as stated below.

The mission of SURF is to promote the use of sustainable practices during the remedial action process (decision making through implementation) in a way that balances the conservation of natural resources and biodiversity, economic viability, and quality-of-life enhancements for surrounding communities while providing longterm protection of human health and the environment and achieving public and regulatory acceptance.

In support of the mission, SURF strives to meet the following objectives:

- Assume a leadership role in the global remediation community by providing scientific and educational information regarding sustainable remediation to professionals in the remediation field.
- Provide forums and other opportunities for the exchange of information among all segments of the remediation community and for networking vital to members' interests.
- Promote the advancement and application of sciences and technology relevant to environmental management.
- Educate and inform as appropriate to foster regulations and practices based on good science.

- Strengthen and build alliances with organizations throughout the world incorporating members of all professions dedicated to the preservation and enhancement of water quality and water resources.
- Promote professional ethics by adhering to the Environmental Principles for Engineers, scientists, and other professionals involved in the remediation field.

The following specific revisions to the mission statement were recommended:

- □ Revise first sentence to read, "The mission of SURF is to promote the use of sustainable practices during the life cycle of a remedial action in a way that balances...."
- □ Revise fifth bullet to include other media (not just water).
- □ Delete the word "professional" from last bullet.
- □ Include what is trying to be achieved.
- □ Revise objectives to consider societal elements, not exclusively environmental issues.
- □ Omit "remediation" language so as not to limit scope.
- Include words to incorporate concepts of professional development and advancement of the practice of sustainable remediation.
- □ Include communications with communities living near site.

A long discussion ensued about whether the definition of "sustainable remediation" was needed within the mission statement. Opinions varied and no consensus was reached. An option was to list the characteristics of sustainable remediation. In addition, some people thought the draft mission statement was too specific and others believed it was not specific enough.

## **Membership Categories**

### **Breakout Group Participants**

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### **Summary of Discussions**

The discussion began very generally, with one participant asking why membership was necessary. The group took this as a sign that a common vision of the organization's structure, mission, and operating method does not yet exist.

The group agreed that the membership structure and fees will depend on the benefits and privileges of membership and that those benefits and privileges are not currently well defined. The group agreed, however, that everyone involved in sustainable remediation will benefit from the existence of an organization. Some members will benefit more than others, and the group agreed that this fact needs to be factored into the selection of membership categories and fees. The group recommended that the benefits be defined as specifically as possible so that members can understand the basis of the categories and related fees. Specifically, membership criteria should include the following:

- **D** Some form of commitment to supporting the mission
- □ Financial support
- **Commitment to participate in the activities of the organization**

The group agreed that a key goal is to avoid, to the degree possible, membership requirements that are barriers to groups currently contributing to SURF, especially government members. It is particularly important to understand the restrictions on the types of organizations for government employees and determine whether individual memberships would be significantly different than group (i.e., agency) memberships.

The group agreed that a wide range of membership categories should be available. The range should be broad enough to encourage specific targeted segments of the profession (e.g., students and young professionals), but not so broad as to have categories that are not needed or are not tied to specific benefits or responsibilities.

The group proposed the following categories of membership and rough order-of-magnitude fee as an initial starting point, noting that the categories should be reevaluated periodically:

- 1. Companies (e.g., industry, consulting, manufacturing)
  - a. Small (\$1,000)
  - b. Medium (\$5,000)
  - c. Large (\$10,000)
- 2. Individuals (\$100)
- 3. Academia
  - a. Professors/Employees (\$100)
  - b. Students (\$25)
- 4. Government Agencies
  - a. Regulator (e.g., USEPA, state agencies) (\$1,000)
  - b. Nonregulator (e.g., USACE, Department of Defense) (\$1,000)
- 5. Nongovernmental Nonprofit Organization (\$1,000)

The fees listed above were estimated based on an assumption of the organization holding two large meetings per year and two smaller working meetings per year. Resources to support these meetings were assumed to cost \$100,000 per year.

## Strong Links with Other Groups

### **Breakout Group Participants**

Carol Baker, Chevron Energy Technology Company (Breakout Group Leader)

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### **Summary of Discussions**

The group discussed that the role of a professional society is to be aware of all efforts within the field of sustainable remediation to influence the direction of the field. If the activities of others in the field are not known, then no influence can be achieved. As such, the group agreed that SURF members should belong to other organizations such as (1) SURF organizations in other countries, (2) external groups (e.g., ASTM, Green Building Council, National Brownfields Association), and (3) state green/sustainable remediation groups. The goal would be to ensure that SURF would be aware of the activities of the groups and identify common goals. The group recommended that SURF serve as the liaison between the groups to achieve the common goals and avoid potential overlaps. As a starting point, the group recommended the following:

- □ Develop a list of organizations.
- □ Assign at least one SURF member to participant in each organization to ensure dialogue.
- □ Identify at least one SURF member to track state green/sustainable remediation activities.

The group also agreed that, although SURF is focused on the United States currently, the ultimate goal should be an international umbrella organization for SURF organizations in other countries. The group recommended that research be conducted to determine the scope of international expansion and noted that the process will likely be complicated, but worthwhile. The group proposed ISURF as an international forum with chapters in different countries. In this way, each chapter could maintain its independence while agreeing to high level principles.

Although the group agreed that SURF need to share its knowledge to external groups and organizations, it recognized that SURF needs a better way of communicating internally first before it can bring other organizations into the conversation. The group discussed the web site as one solution to this problem. Upgrades to the web site will be crucial to internal communication and, ultimately, external communication and outreach.