



# FACILITY MANAGERS, PART III

Monitoring and Maintaining  
Closed Landfills in NH



# Why are you here?



- **Build your resume & accumulate professional development hours.**
- **Required by law and NH Solid Waste Rules.**




## Why this Workshop? Closed Landfills



- Provide you with more information on the hazards of closed landfills
- Introduce the concepts of managing and maintaining closed landfills in NH
- Offer suggestions on how to discuss information with consultants and understand analytical data



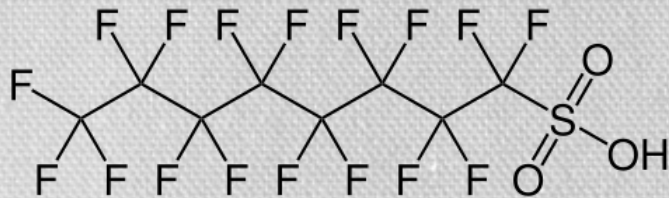
# Today's Agenda

- Old Landfill Basics
  - Inspections & Reporting
    - Activity: Inspections
  - Groundwater 101
    - Understanding and maintaining your monitoring permit
  - The G.Y.S.T.
  - Q&A
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# Why Does this Matter to You?

- You have a closed landfill
- It is permitted
- Why?
  - Landfills are forever. The waste still exists...remember this is waste from your parents, grandparents, AND businesses.
- Monitoring this landfill for 10 years. You must continue to monitor and protect for 30 years.
- Why do we really care?
  - Anyone heard of PFAS? One of the most persistent contaminants!



# POST-CLOSURE CARE OF SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS

## “Old” Landfill Basics



# PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- **Brief History**
- **Landfill Design Basics**
- **Why Closed Landfills Still Matter**



# BRIEF HISTORY OF “THE DUMP”

## Pre-1970s

- Open Dumps
- Burn Dumps





# BRIEF HISTORY OF “THE DUMP”

## Federal legislation in 1960s-70s

- Clean Air Act
- Solid Waste Act

## New Hampshire changes

- 1969-1972 NH Solid Waste Laws & Regulations
- 1981 Solid Waste Management Act  
(currently RSA 149-M)



# HISTORY: CLOSING “THE DUMP”

Late 1980s - State made it a priority to close unlined solid waste landfills  
1994 - NH Legislature established the Grant Program

*“In recognition of the potential for harm to both public health and the environment which can result from an unlined solid waste landfill that has not been properly closed... it is hereby declared to be the policy of this state to encourage municipalities to close all unlined solid waste landfills...”*

*~RSA 149-M:41*





# HISTORY: CLOSED LANDFILLS

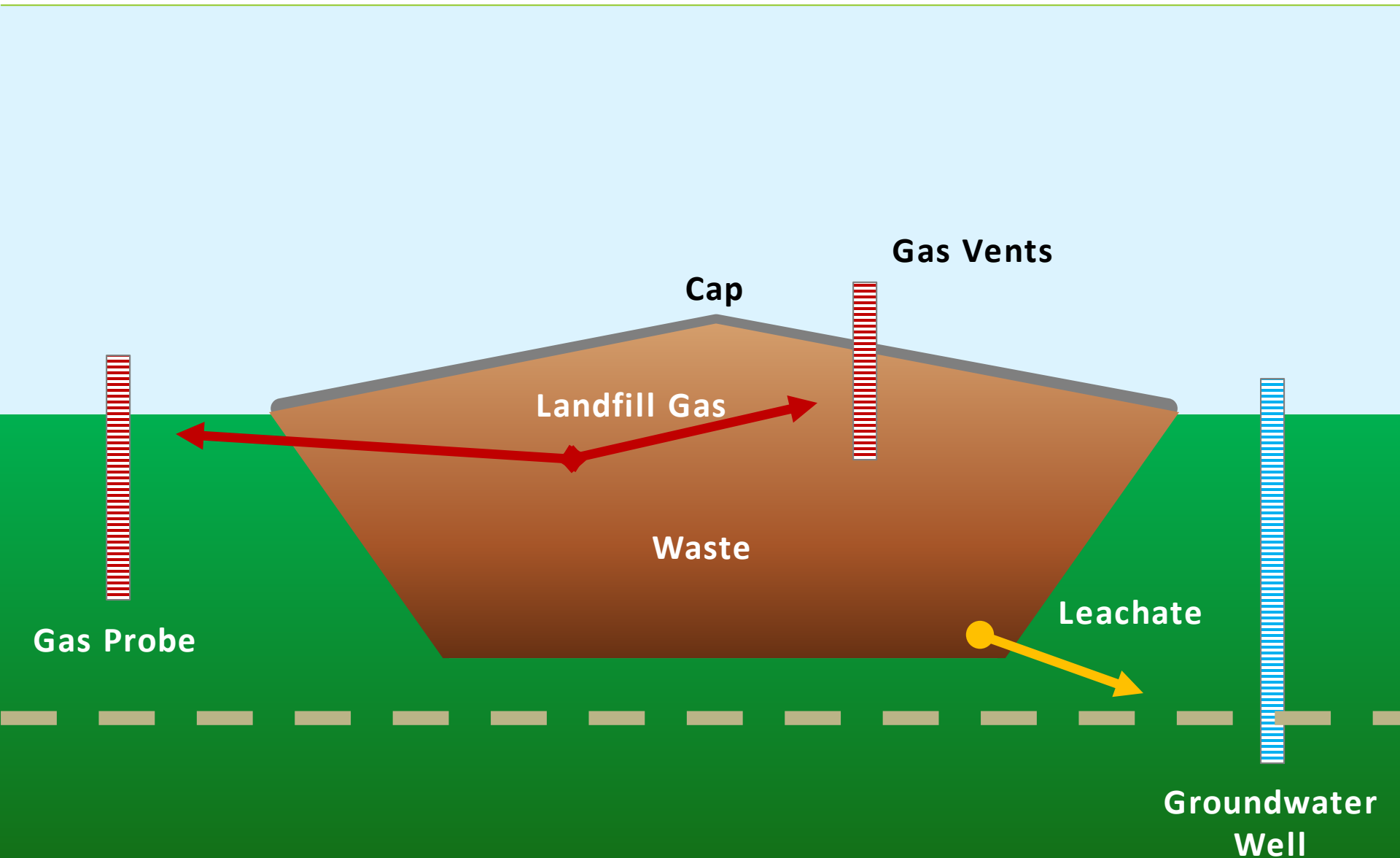
1990s – Majority of unlined solid waste landfills closed

2013 – Last unlined municipal solid waste landfill closed

Today – Approximately 300 closed landfills in NH

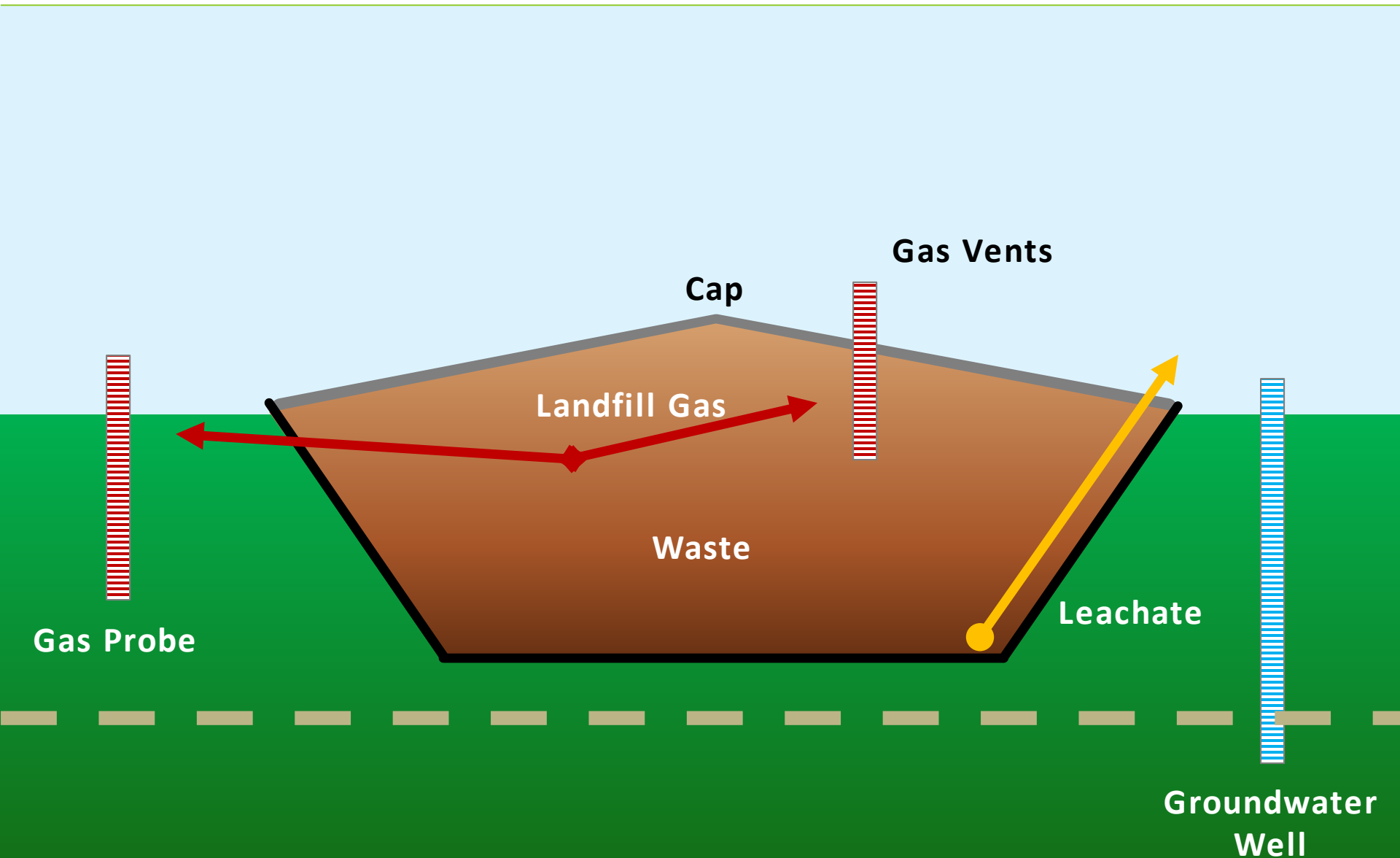


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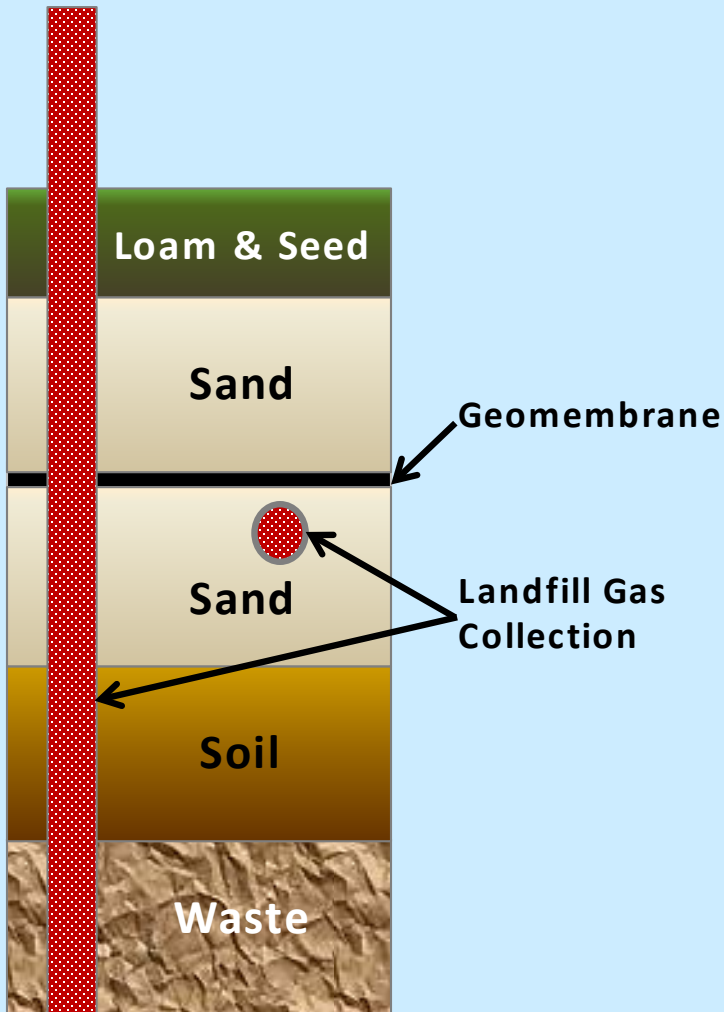




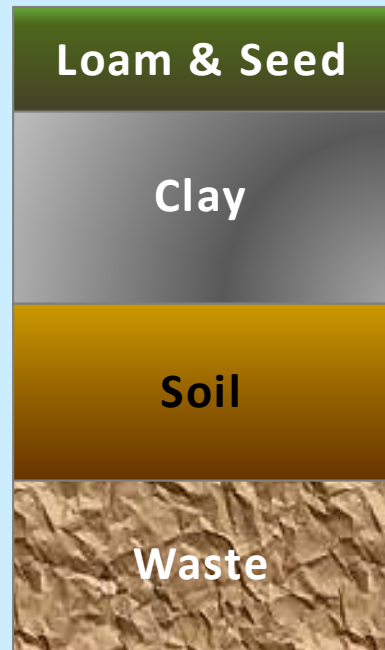
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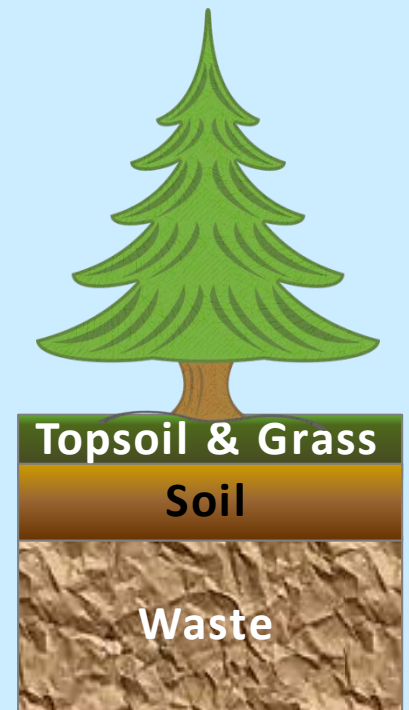
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Geomembrane or  
"Plastic" Cap



Soil Cap

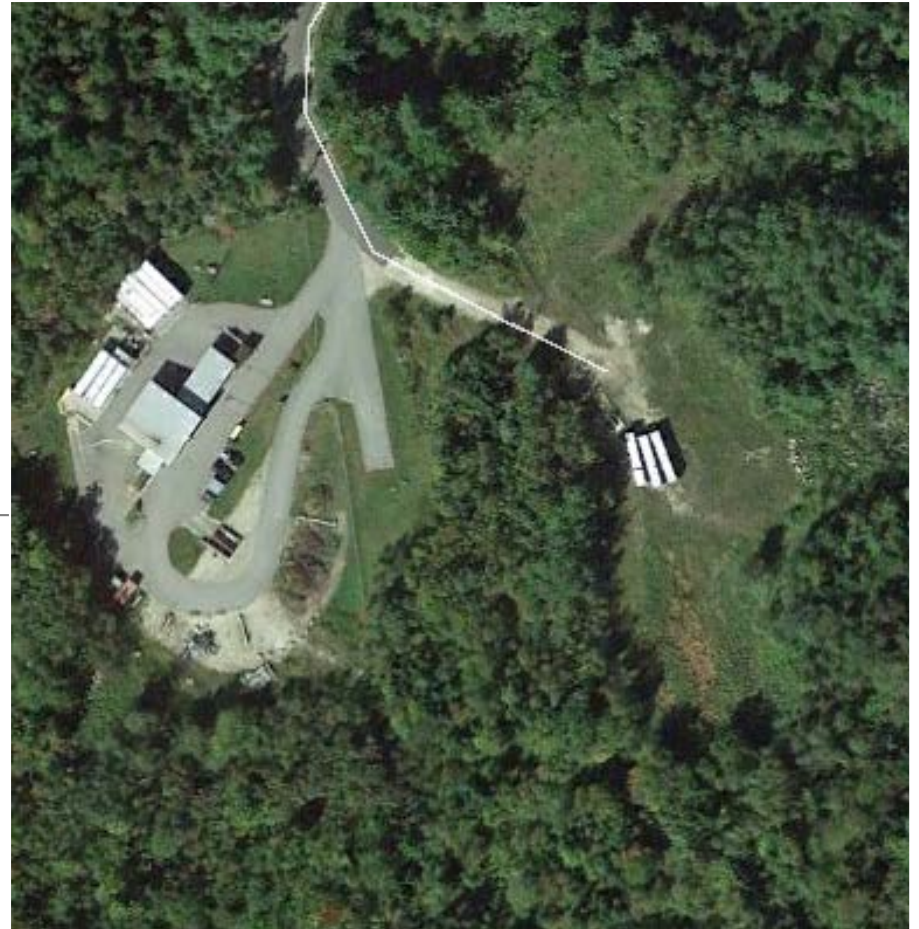


Not A Cap /  
Maybe It's A Cover



# “BRADY BILL” LANDFILLS

*RSA 149-M:9(XIII)*

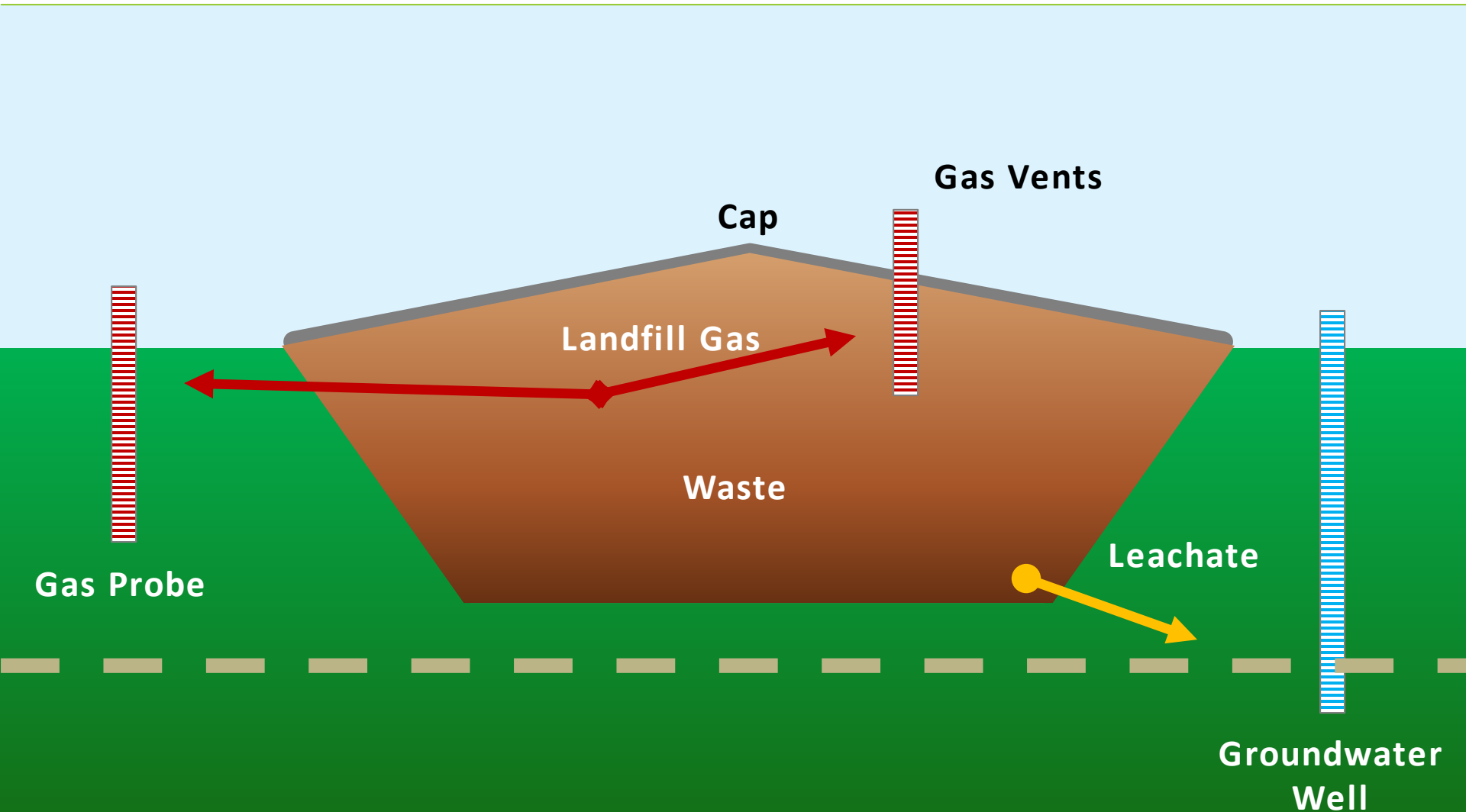


# “BRADY BILL” LANDFILLS

## *RSA 149-M:9(XIII)*

- (a) No permit issued by the department to a town with a population of 5,000 persons or fewer shall require the town to clean up an inactive, municipally-owned, unlined landfill (inactive facility) ***if the town:***
- (1) Monitors the inactive facility in accordance with requirements established in RSA 485-C and RSA 149-M and rules adopted by the department.
  - (2) Continues to show, through monitoring devices, that the inactive facility is having no adverse impact, as defined in rules adopted by the department, on the environment.
  - (3) Has obtained approval of a closure plan from the department by January 30 of the calendar year in which the facility is scheduled to close by the department.
- (b) A town which complies with the requirements of subparagraph (a) shall not lose grant funding for which the town is eligible under this chapter.
- (c) This paragraph does not apply to those facilities governed under the terms of 40 CFR 258.

# BASIC DESIGN: IT'S A CONTAINMENT SYSTEM!





# WHY DOES MY CLOSED LANDFILL STILL MATTER?

Poorly maintained containment systems can leak, leach, breach...

Negatively impacting water, soil, and air quality.



# WHY DOES MY CLOSED LANDFILL STILL MATTER?

Protect your investment

A little now saves big later

Reduce potential liability



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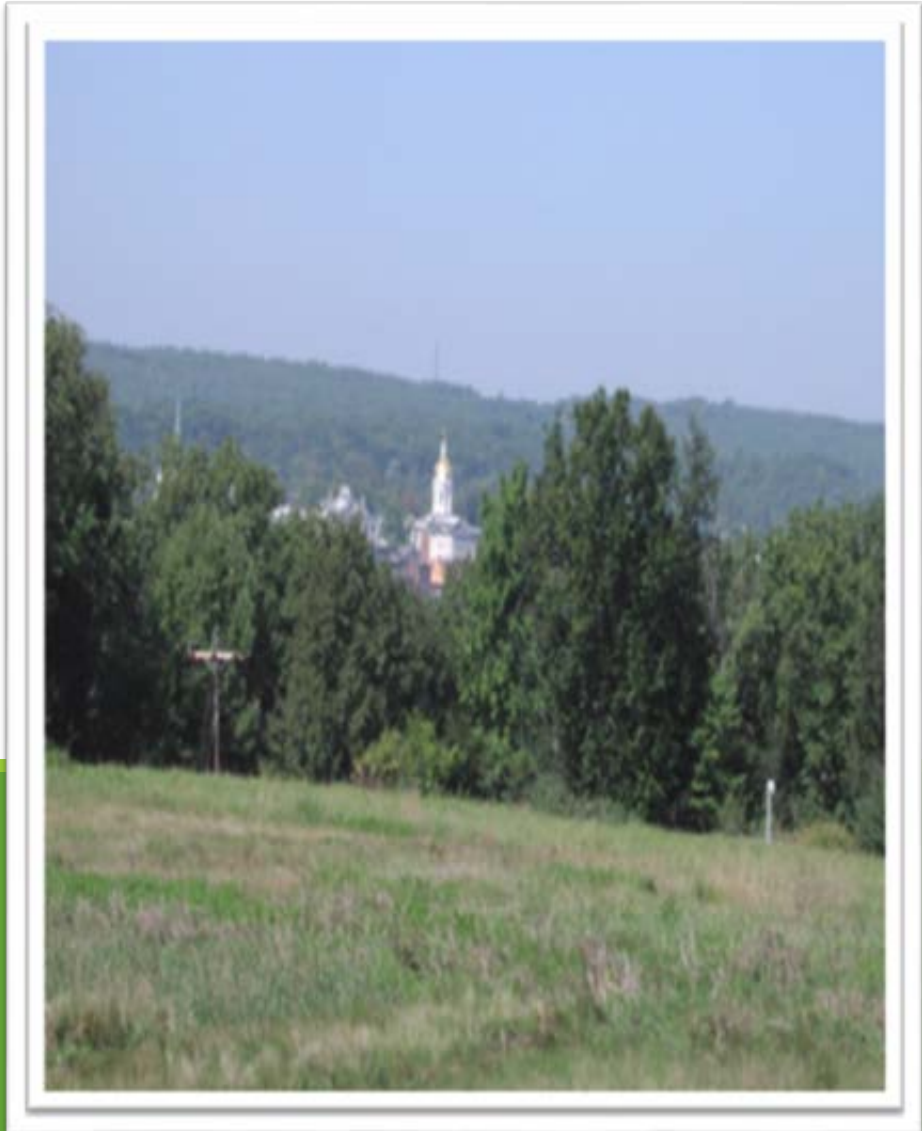
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- Landfills are a containment system for waste.
  - Unlined landfills rely on the cap.
- Waste is a mix of discarded or abandoned household, business, mining, agricultural, and industrial materials.
- Without periodic inspection, monitoring, and routine maintenance, we can not assume these containment systems (i.e., the cap) will continue to function adequately forever.



# PRESENTATION REVIEW

- **Brief History**
- **Landfill Design Basics**
- **Why Closed Landfills Still Matter**



# POST-CLOSURE CARE OF SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS

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## Inspections & Reporting



Solid Waste Management Bureau  
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

# PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- **Closure Plan**
- **Inspections**
- **Performance Standards**
- **Reporting**





# CLOSURE PLAN

- **Follow your closure plan**
- **Regularly inspect, monitor, and maintain your landfill**
  - **Inspect at least 2x per year**
- **Maintenance includes repair**



# ELEMENTS OF A LANDFILL INSPECTION

- A. General Site Conditions
- B. Stormwater System Conditions
- C. Decomposition Gas Control Systems
- D. Cap (Cover) Conditions
- E. Leachate Collection and Leak Detection Systems
- F. Other Site-Specific Features

Action Items for each  
area of inspection



# A. General Site Conditions



# A. GENERAL SITE CONDITIONS

**General site conditions include:**

- **Access**
- **Signage**
- **Monitoring systems**
- **Other activities occurring**



# A. GENERAL SITE CONDITIONS



**Check the following:**

- **Is access restricted?**
- **Are there weather resistant signs?**
- **Are access roads in good condition?**
- **Are other activities occurring at the facility?**
- **Are groundwater monitoring wells in good condition?**
- **Are surface water monitoring points in good condition?**



# A. GENERAL SITE CONDITIONS

**Not maintaining the site properly may lead to:**

- **Trespassing**
- **Vandalism**
- **Inaccessible monitoring systems**
- **Contamination of monitoring systems**

**Action Item**





# B. Stormwater Management Systems

# B. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Stormwater management systems include:

- Swales
- Berms
- Culverts
- Detention basins



# B. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS



**Check the following:**

- **If detention ponds maintained**
- **If culverts are free of obstructions**
- **If drainage swales are unobstructed**
- **If berms, benches are in good condition**
- **If there is evidence of erosion**
- **If channels are protected to prevent scour**
- **If swales have positive drainage**
- **If storm drains are in good condition**



# B. STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

**Not maintaining the stormwater management system properly may lead to:**

- **Uncontrolled ponding/flooding**
- **Damage to cap**
- **Excess leachate generation**
- **Erosion/washouts**



# C. Decomposition Gas Control Systems

# C. DECOMPOSITION GAS: BASICS

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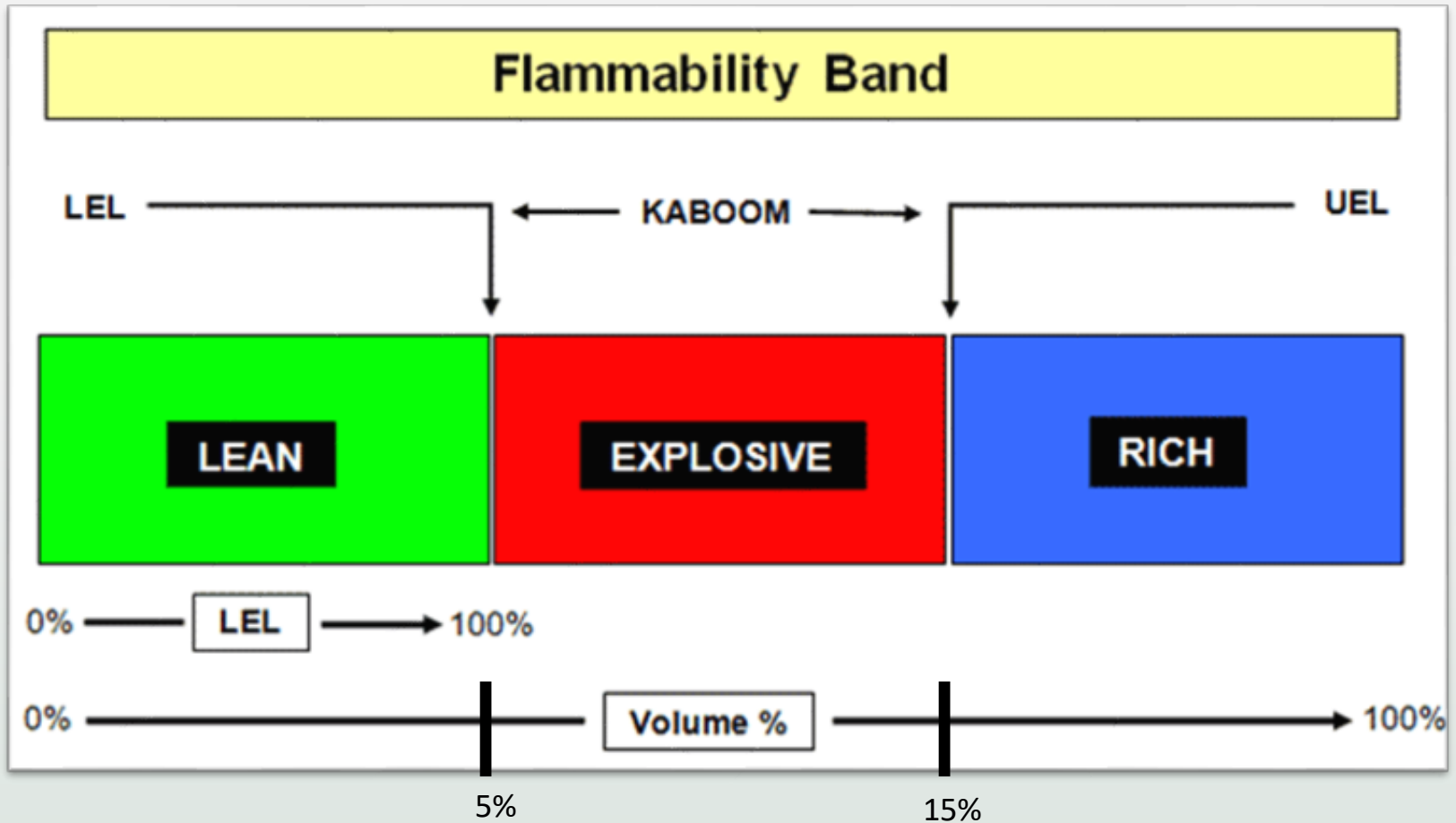
**Decomposition Gas = Landfill Gas**

**Landfill gas is created as wastes break down, and is typically composed of methane, carbon dioxide and trace amounts of VOCs**

**Gases migrate along the path of least resistance, including laterally through soil**

**Gases must be controlled to prevent hazards to human health and safety, and the environment.**

# C. DECOMPOSITION GAS: METHANE



LEL = Lower Explosive Limit  
UEL = Upper Explosive Limit

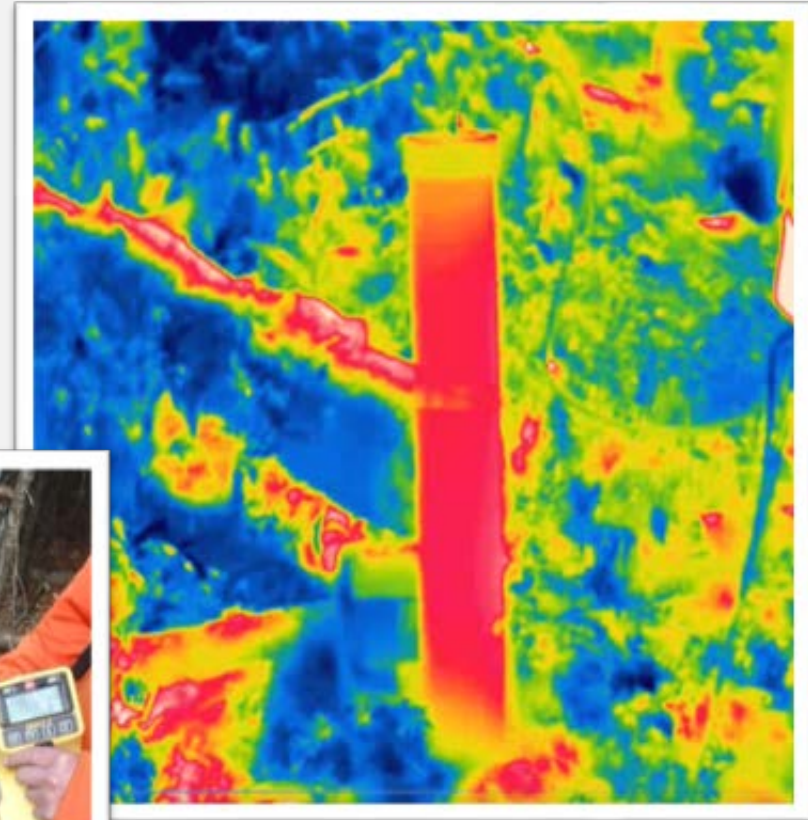


# C. DECOMPOSITION GAS: METHANE

Gas shall be controlled to not exceed:

>25% of the LEL for methane  
in structures on or off-site

>50% of the LEL for methane  
in the soil at the property line



# C. DECOMPOSITION GAS: METHANE

If there is an exceedance:

- **Notify NHDES immediately**
- **Implement contingency procedures to ensure protection of public health and safety**
- **Troubleshoot to determine the issue and re-establish control**

DATE	% LEL				
	WELL 1	WELL 2	WELL 3	WELL 4	WELL 5
2014	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP
1/16/2015	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT
12/18/2015	3	100	24	100	39

NP = Not provided to engineer  
NT = Not tested



# C. DECOMPOSITION GAS CONTROL SYSTEMS

Decomposition gas control systems include:

- **Active System = Gas Extraction Wells**
- **Passive System = Gas Vents**

Also includes your monitoring devices:

- **Gas probes**
- **Indoor air quality monitors**



# C. DECOMPOSITION GAS CONTROL SYSTEMS

Check the following:

- If extraction wells or passive vents are in good condition
- If soil gas probes are in good condition
- If indoor air quality monitors are working
- If there are any landfill odors
- If there is evidence of stressed vegetation





# C. DECOMPOSITION GAS CONTROL SYSTEMS

Not maintaining the decomposition gas control system properly may lead to:

- Build up of explosive gases in
  - The landfill
  - Site structures
  - Utilities
  - Homes

**Action Item**



## D. Cap (Cover) Systems

# D. CAP (COVER) CONDITIONS

**Engineered Cap or Soil Cover is what protects the waste containment system**



# D. CAP (COVER) CONDITIONS

Check the following:

- **Uniform settlement**
- **Slope promotes runoff**
- **Mowed regularly**
- **Evidence of erosion**
- **Vegetative layer in good condition**
- **Damage from unauthorized access**
- **Damage from burrowing animals**





# D. CAP (COVER) CONDITIONS

**Not maintaining the cap properly may cause:**

- **Difficulty in assessing the cap condition**
- **Difficulty mowing**
- **Damage to engineered cap by roots**
- **Exposed waste from toppled trees**
- **More expensive to repair cap**

**Action Item**



# E. Leachate Collection & Leak Detection Systems

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**System includes:**

- **Leachate collection systems**
  - Typically consist of a drainage layer, pumps, tanks, and sampling ports;
  - Are located above the liner; and
  - Take the leachate out of the waste containment system.
- **Leak detection systems**
  - Typically consist of a drainage layer, pumps, tanks, and sampling ports;
  - Are located below the liner; and
  - Are used to check for leaks of the waste containment system.

# E. LEACHATE COLLECTION & LEAK DETECTION SYSTEMS

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For landfills with systems, check:

- If the system is functioning properly
- If the on-site storage is intact and adequate
- Confirm that the leachate is removed (1 foot rule)
- Confirm that the leachate is disposed of regularly

**All landfills, check for:**

- **Leachate breakouts and seeps**



# E. LEACHATE COLLECTION & LEAK DETECTION SYSTEMS

Not maintaining these systems may lead to:

- Leachate spills / breakouts
- Groundwater contamination

Is it natural?



# F. Other Site-Specific Features

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- **For each area of inspection previously discussed, consider site-specific features**

**Examples:**                      **Catch basin designations**  
**Particulars about a detention pond**

- **Any other site-specific features may need an additional section**

**Examples:**                      **Retaining walls**  
**Geothermal systems**  
**Other monitoring systems (e.g., geotechnical)**  
**Post-closure uses**

# Action Items



# ACTION ITEMS

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- **Inspections help you:**
  - protect people**
  - by identifying **action items****
  - required to maintain the closure system.**
- **List your action items and a general timeframe for repair.**
- **In your next annual report, tell us what you did, how you did it, and send photos/documentation.**
- **Didn't get to it? Tell us when you will.**

# A GOOD INSPECTION REPORT INCLUDES

- A) General Site Conditions
- B) Stormwater System Conditions
- C) Decomposition Gas Control Systems
- D) Cap Conditions
- E) Leachate and Leak Detection Systems
- F) Other Site-Specific Features

**Action Items** for each area of inspection

NHDES-5-02-01X  
Environmental Services  
RSA 148-M

**ANNUAL POST-CLOSURE REPORT  
INACTIVE SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS**  
Per Env-Sw 1103.07  
For Reporting Year **2016**

**1. Facility Identification (Env-Sw 1103.14(a))**

Facility Name	
Physical Street Address	
Town/City	Solid Waste Permit Number

**2. Permittee Information (Env-Sw 1103.14(b))**

Permittee		
Mailing Address		
Town/City	State	Zip Code
Email Address	Phone Number	

**3. Contact Person (Env-Sw 1103.14(c))**

Name	Job Title
Address	
Email Address	Phone Number

**4. Status (Env-Sw 1103.14(d))**

Date Facility Stopped Receiving Waste: / /	Cap/Cover Date: / /
Closure Date: / /	
Type of Cap/Cover Material: <input type="checkbox"/> Soil <input type="checkbox"/> Paper Fiber <input type="checkbox"/> HDPE <input type="checkbox"/> LLDPE <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	

**5. Inspections (Env-Sw 803.07(c))**

Date of inspection: / /	Inspector:
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# A GOOD INSPECTION REPORT INCLUDES

## ANNUAL POST-CLOSURE

1. Facility Identification
2. Permittee Information
3. Contact Person
4. Summary of **Inspection Findings**
5. **Action Item** Summary
6. Summary & Assessment
7. Additional Information

The image shows a clipboard with a form titled "ANNUAL POST-CLOSURE REPORT INACTIVE SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS". The form is for the reporting year 2016. It includes sections for Facility Identification, Permittee Information, Contact Person, Status, and Inspections. The form is on a clipboard with a silver clip at the top.

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INACTIVE SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS  
Per Env-Sw 1105.07  
For Reporting Year 2016

1. Facility Identification (Env-Sw 1105.14(a))  
Facility Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Physical Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town/City: \_\_\_\_\_ Solid Waste Permit Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Permittee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: ( ) - \_\_\_\_\_

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**Due: March 31 for the previous calendar year**

# 6. Summary and Assessment

Due: March 31 of *Every Year*



# 6. SUMMARY AND ASSESSMENT

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- **Summary of inspection, maintenance and monitoring, including:**
  - **All environmental monitoring performed**
  - **Relevant emergency, unexpected or unusual events**
- **Assessment of facility's status [Ref. Env-Sw 1105.14(f)]:**
  - **Evaluation of environmental monitoring data and information**
  - **Statement by a qualified professional engineer**
    - **ID if achieving performance expectations**
    - **Whether adjustments to post-closure care are recommended**

# 7. Additional Information

Other Activities

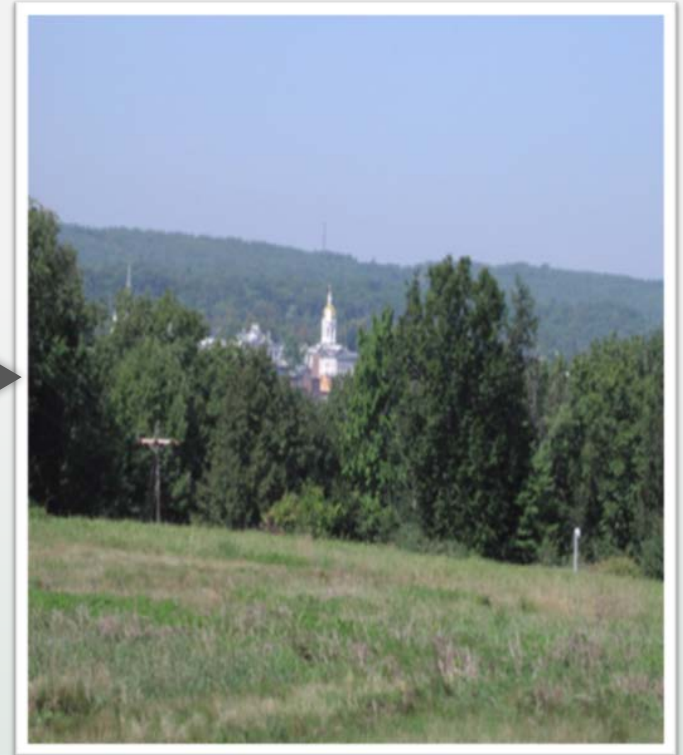
# 7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Add anything not already addressed
- Good time to tell us if there are changes:
  - Contact person
  - Mailing address
  - Telephone number
- Other activities occurring on or near landfill:
  - that are not regulated by the solid waste rules, and/or
  - that are permit-exempt

Change  
Happens



# PERFORMANCE STANDARDS



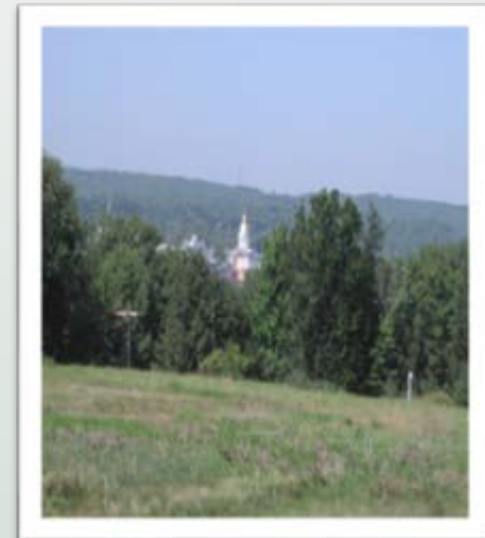
# PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

**Goal: To achieve the “performance standards” in the NH Solid Waste Rules:**

- **Stop generating leachate,**
- **Stop generating decomposition gases like methane,**
- **Achieve maximum settlement,**
- **Remove harmful impacts to air and water, and**
- **Remove threat to human health and the environment.**

**Env-Sw 807.04**

**“Performance Standards”**





# POST-CLOSURE REPORTING



# WHY REPORTS MATTER

## Compliance

Law/Rules/Permit

Refresher

Action Plan

## Information

Data Collection

Legislative Reporting

Public Inquiries



# ANNUAL POST-CLOSURE REPORT



NHDES-5-05-057



## ANNUAL POST-CLOSURE REPORT INACTIVE SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS Per Env-Sw 1105.07



For Reporting Year 2017

Instructions: Complete the form for calendar year (January 1-December 31). If you need more space to complete a section, attach additional pages and note at the bottom of the form that you have attached additional pages. The Annual Post-Closure Report (PCR) is due to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) each calendar year by March 31.

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Name	Job Title
Affiliation	
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### 4. Inspection(s) [Env-Sw 807.05(e)]

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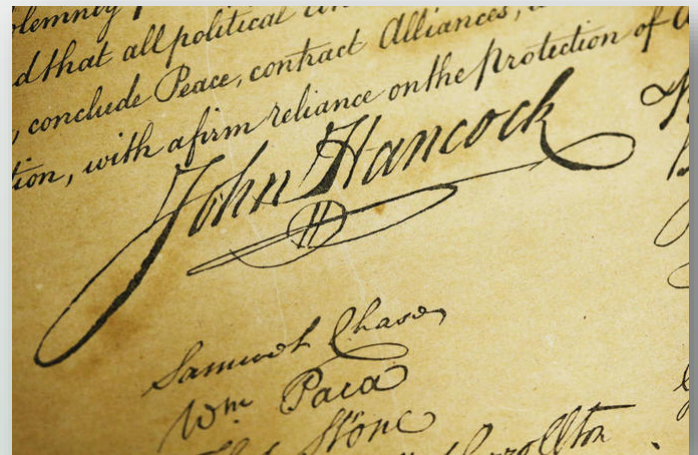
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**Due: March 31**

# SIGNATURE

- The signature is an affirmation that:
  - The material and information submitted is correct and true to the best of your knowledge
  - That the person signing is duly authorized to sign for the permittee





# POST-CLOSURE REPORTS

## Submitting Reports

➤ **Electronic:**

Needs to be in **PDF**

Submit through NHDES OneStop

(<https://www.des.nh.gov/onestop/>)

Site Code: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

➤ **Paper:** Solid Waste Management Bureau

NHDES

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# POST-CLOSURE CARE SUMMARY

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- Landfills are a waste containment system
- Follow your landfill's closure plan:
  - Inspect, Monitor, Maintain, and Repair your landfill
- Report your landfill's status to NHDES annually
- If you have questions, call us at (603) 271-2925

**Don't let a small problem become a  
BIG PROBLEM!!!**

# Groundwater 101

## Monitoring Landfills through Groundwater Management Permits

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# Presentation Objectives

- Why monitor old landfills?
- What is a Groundwater Management Permit (GMP)?
- What does a GMP do?
- Elements of a GMP
- GMP Reporting
- NHDES Responses
- A Landfill's Story...

# Definitions

Geology - study of the earth.

Hydrogeology - geology specific to water resources.

Groundwater - water which occurs below the land surface (*saturated zone*).

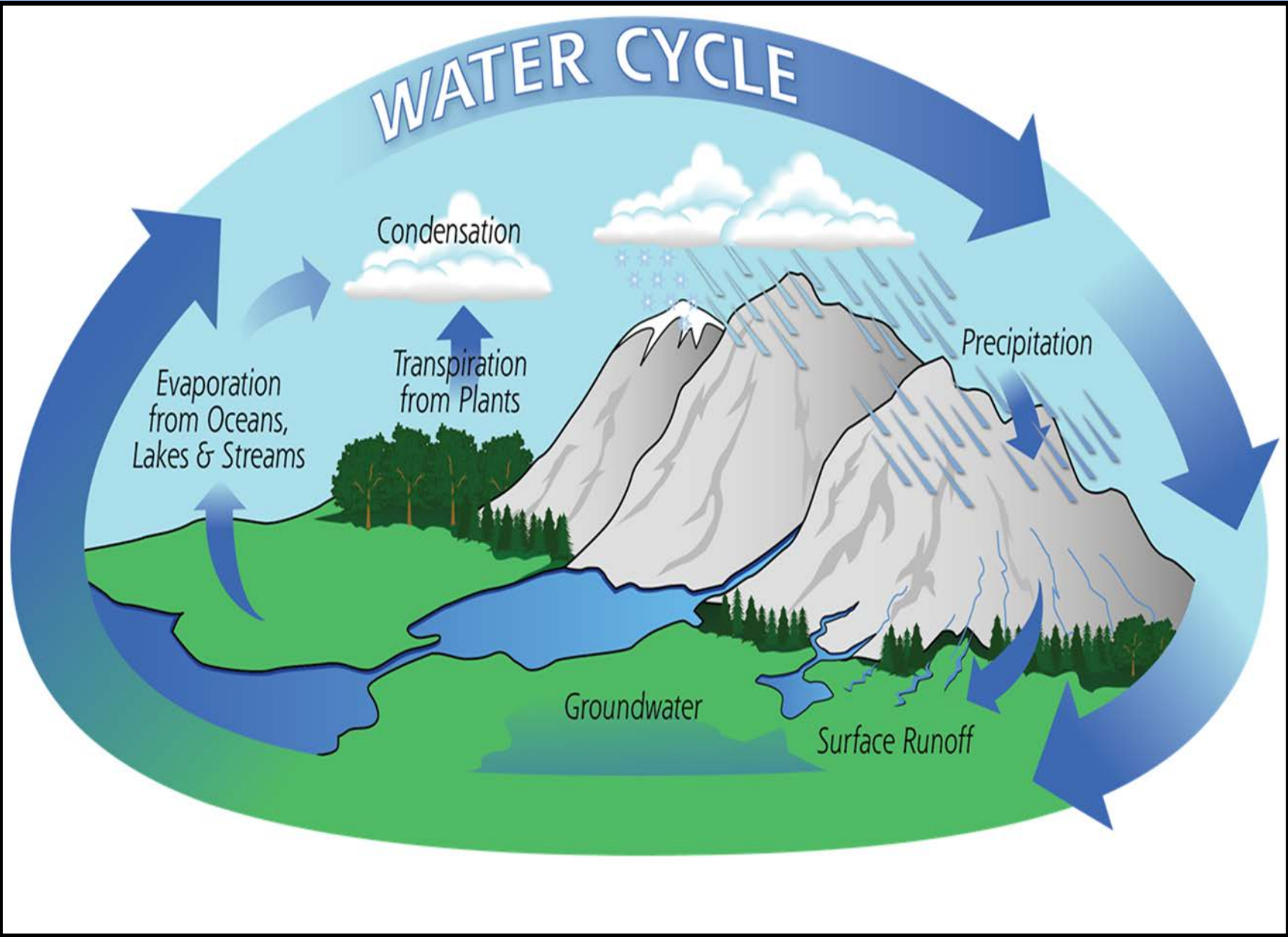
Vadose Zone - zone between the land surface and the groundwater surface or water table (*unsaturated zone*).

Aquifer - soil or bedrock that yields groundwater to wells in usable quantities.

GMP - Groundwater Management Permit

GMZ - Groundwater Management Zone – area of monitoring responsibility.

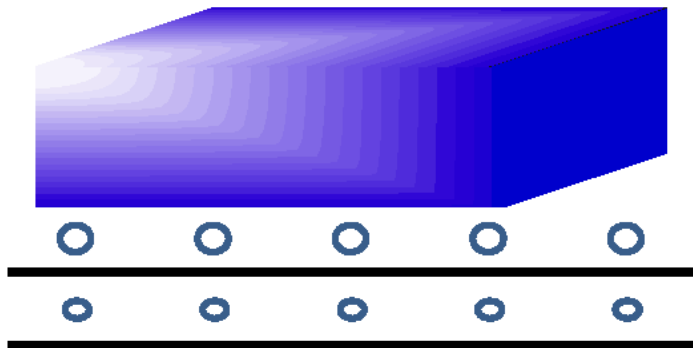




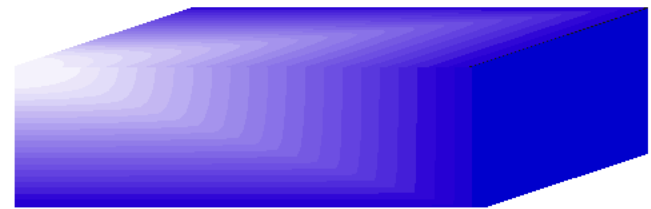


# Basic Landfills

## Lined



## Unlined



# Why Monitor Landfills?

- **Unlined Landfills' Waste:**

- Is typically comprised of a wide range of discarded materials from residences and businesses.
- Was not extensively characterized during the “closure” process due to cost (likely would not have resulted in changing the presumptive remedial solution or how the landfill was “closed”).

*Most unlined landfills were operated before hazardous waste rules and regs. were implemented*

# Why Monitor Landfills?

- The presumptive remedial solution for unlined landfills was the construction and maintenance of an engineered cap to “contain the source of contamination” and thereby control future releases to groundwater and potential direct exposure to contaminants, without having to remove, treat, or destroy the contamination sources.

# Groundwater Contaminants

- Landfill indicators - chloride, nitrate, sulfate, etc.
- Metals - arsenic, iron, manganese, etc.
- Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) – petroleum products (benzene, toluene, naphthalene, etc.) and solvents (PCE, TCE) – about 65 compounds
- Emerging Contaminants - 1,4-dioxane, PFAS (Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances), etc.

*Drinking water standards established for most common groundwater contaminants*

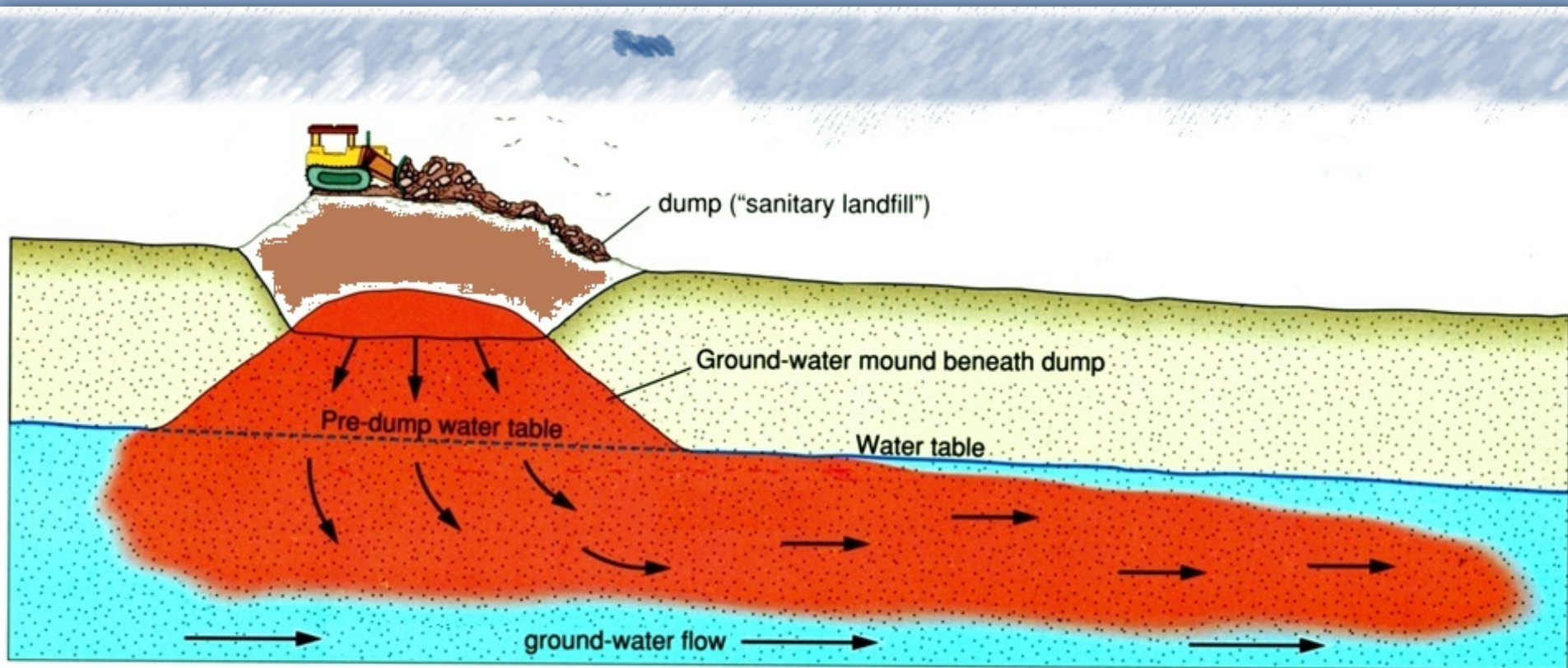
# Concentration Units

- Typical concentration units are:
  - parts per million (ppm),
  - parts per billion (ppb), or
  - parts per trillion (ppt).



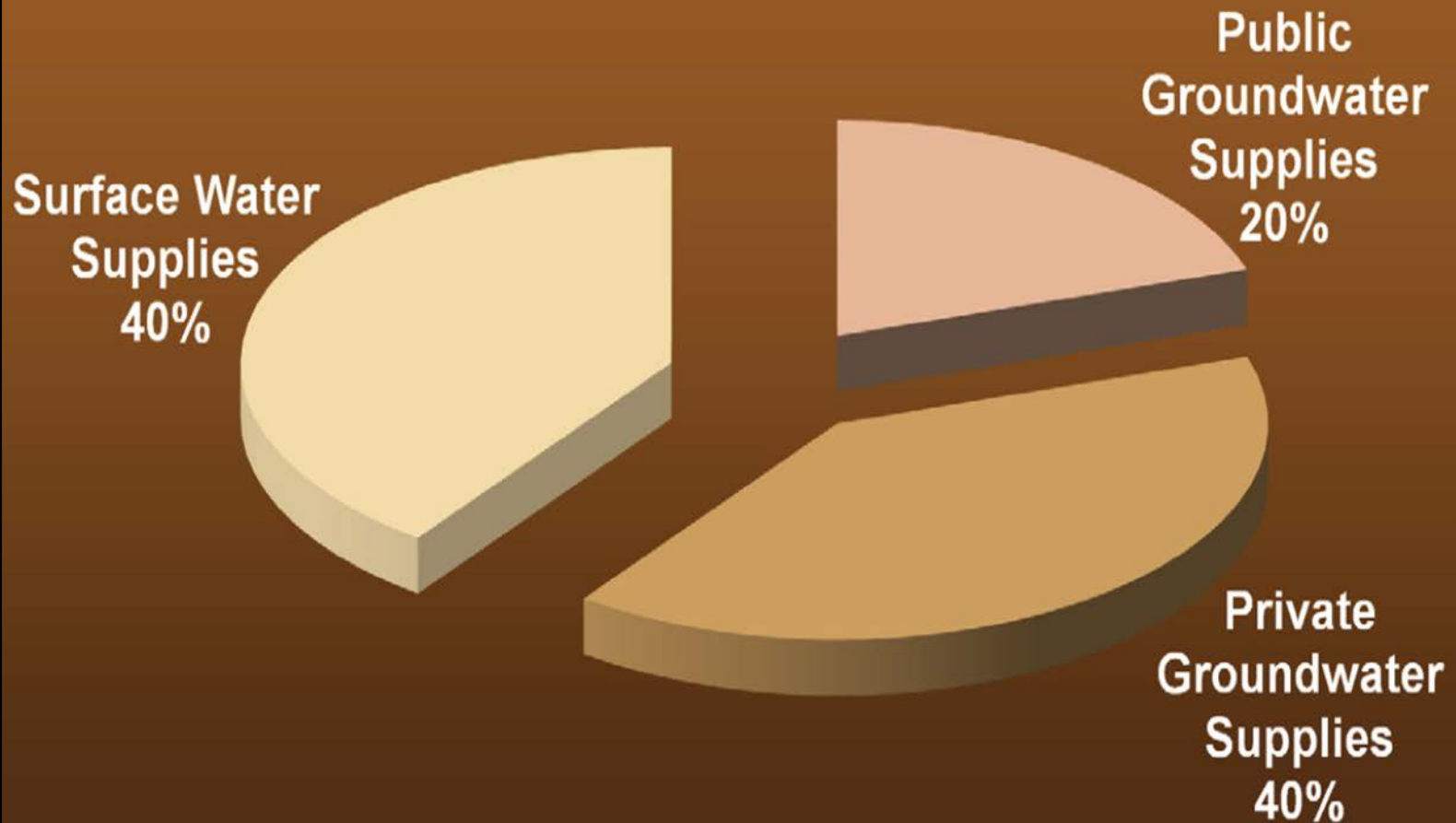


# Why Monitor Landfills?



# Why Monitor Groundwater?

## Sources of Drinking Water in New Hampshire





# How is Water Quality Monitored?

- Monitoring Wells
- Surface Water
- Seeps
- Water Supply Wells



# How is Monitoring Addressed?

## Groundwater Management Permit (GMP)

- Is a vehicle by which the state administers groundwater quality monitoring.
  - Env-Sw 807 - Landfill Closure and Capping Requirements
  - Env-Sw 807.05 - Post-Closure Inspections, Monitoring, Maintenance and Reporting Requirements
  - Env-Or 607 – GMP Monitoring Groundwater Quality Provisions

*Goal is to protect groundwater quality*

# What is a GMP?

A **Groundwater Management Permit (GMP)** prescribes a program for periodic groundwater quality monitoring and reporting; provides for groundwater remediation either through active measures or natural attenuation; specifies performance standards for remedies, and describes procedures for performing site investigations and implementing remedial action plans.





# Who has a GMP?

A responsible party shall apply for and obtain a GMP for any site where:

1. The discharge of a regulated contaminant at that site has caused and continues to cause the groundwater quality criteria of Env-Or 603.01 to be violated; or
2. An unlined solid waste landfill, regulated pursuant to RSA 149-M, is located.

# A GMP



The  
NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
hereby issues  
GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT PERMIT NO. GWP-198804014-L-003  
to the permittee  
NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
to monitor the groundwater quality at the  
FORMER SPARTAN CONSOLIDATED  
(160 Rockingham Road)  
in LONDONDERRY, N.H.  
via the groundwater monitoring system comprised of  
three monitoring wells  
as depicted on the Site Plan entitled  
Site Plan and Phreatic Surface Contour Map  
dated July 19, 2017, prepared by Golder Associates Inc.

TO: NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
7 HAZEN DRIVE  
CONCORD, NH 03302-0483

Date of Issuance: December 29, 2017  
Date of Expiration: December 28, 2022

Pursuant to authority in N.H. RSA 485-C:6-a, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), hereby grants this Permit to monitor past discharges to the groundwater at the above-described location for five years, subject to the following conditions:

(continued)



# A GMP shall

1. Establish a Groundwater Management Zone (GMZ) and record in property records;
2. Require implementation of measures to restore groundwater quality within the GMZ to meet groundwater quality criteria of Env-Or 603.01;
3. Control the use of groundwater within the GMZ;
4. Require monitoring of the groundwater quality within the GMZ; and
5. Require an evaluation of the effectiveness of remedial measures.

# Major Elements of a GMP

7. The permittee shall maintain a water quality monitoring program and submit monitoring

7. The permittee shall maintain a water quality monitoring program and submit monitoring results to the Department's Waste Management Division **no later than 45 days after sampling**. Samples shall be taken from the on-site monitoring wells and surface water sampling points as shown and labeled on the referenced site plan, and listed on the following table in accordance with the schedule outlined herein:

Monitoring Locations	Sampling Frequency	Parameters
		elevation (wells only)

Summaries of water quality shall be **submitted biennially (every other year) in the month of January, starting in 2014**, to the Department's Waste Management Division, using a format acceptable to the Department. The Biennial Summary Report shall include the information listed in Env-Or 607.04 (a), as applicable, and shall be prepared and stamped by a professional engineer or professional geologist licensed in the State of New Hampshire.

# Duration of a GMP

- GMPs are 5 year permits

## **AND:**

- Permittee continues to be fully responsible for the conditions of the GMP even after expiration until it is renewed.





# How long do you need a GMP?

- Env-Or 607.07(d) specifies that groundwater monitoring shall continue under the provisions of a groundwater management permit until groundwater **contamination sources are eliminated**; and
- Env-Or 609.02(c) indicates that all sources of groundwater contamination must be eliminated before the agency issues a certificate of no further action.

# GMP Reporting

- Data Transmittals

**AND:**

- Periodic Summary Reports
  - “... summarize the effectiveness of the remedial measures and groundwater quality within the GMZ.”



# GMP Reporting

- Data Transmittals should provide
  - Laboratory Report
  - Tabulated Data
  - Site Figure

*All submittals to NHDES must include the required cover pages.*

# GMP Reporting

- Periodic Summary Reports should provide
  - Brief Background / History / Site Conceptual Model
  - Discuss Sampling Protocols
    - How the samples were collected
    - Who took the samples
    - QA/QC procedures
    - Issues or limitations
  - Discussion, review, and assessment of analytical results and temporal trends
  - Conclusion & Recommendations

# GMP Summary Reports

- Required NHDES Cover Pages

DES Waste Management Division  
29 Hazen Drive; PO Box 95  
Concord, NH 03302-0095

2016 ANNUAL SUMMARY REPORT  
Former Spartan Transfer Station Site  
160 Rockingham Road  
Londonderry, New Hampshire


NHDES Site # 198804014  
Project Type: LAND/UNLN  
GMP # GWP-198804014-L-002

Prepared For:  
NH Department of Transportation  
P.O. Box 483, 7 Hazen Drive  
Concord, NH 03302-0483  
Dale O'Connell, P.G. (603) 271-3226

Prepared By:  
Golder Associates Inc.  
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Phone Number: (603) 688-0880  
Contact Name: James Peace, PG  
Contact Email: jim\_peace@golder.com

Date of Report: July 26, 2016

Cover Sheet for Reports Template - Revised January 2011



Groundwater Monitoring Report Cover Sheet

Site Name: Former Spartan Transfer Station  
Town: Londonderry  
Permit #: GWP-198804014-L-002

**Type of Submittal** (Check all that apply)

Periodic Summary Report (year): 2016 Annual Summary Report  
 Data Submittal (month and year per Condition #7 of Permit):

Check each box where the answer to any of the following questions is "YES"

**Sampling Results**

During the most recent monitoring event, were any new compounds detected at any sampling point?  
Well/Compound:

Are there any detections of contamination in drinking water that is untreated prior to use?  
Well/Compound:  
 Do compounds detected exceed AGQS?

Was free product detected for the first time in any monitoring point?  
 Surface Water (visible sheen)  
 Groundwater (1/8" or greater thickness)  
Location/Thickness:

**Contaminant Trends**

Do sampling results show an increasing concentration trend in any source area monitoring well?  
Well/Compound:

Do sampling results indicate an AGQS violation in any of the GMZ boundary wells?  
Well/Compound: SH-1, GAI-101, GAI-102: Arsenic and Manganese

**Recommendations**

Does the report include any recommendations requiring DES action? (Do not check this box if the only recommendation is to continue with existing permit conditions.)

This form is to be completed for groundwater monitoring data submittals and periodic summary reports submitted to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Waste Management Division.

Cover Sheet for Groundwater Monitoring Reports Template - Revised January 2011





# Report Attachments - Data Tables

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**Table 2: Groundwater Analytical Results**  
Former Spartan Transfer Station Site  
Londonderry, New Hampshire  
GMP No. GWP-198804014-L-002

Parameters	Dissolved Metals					PATHS Various	Water Quality Indicators			
	Units	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l		mg/l	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l
AGGS	0.010	2.0	NS	0.84	0.05	various	ND	10	500	NS
<b>SH-1</b>										
2/5/2002	0.035	0.300	25	18.1	—	ND	NA	NA	NA	NA
4/17/2003	0.078	0.280	36	16.3	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10/22/2003	0.032	0.320	26	17.4	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
6/1/2004	0.022	0.260	21	16.9	—	NA	559	ND	37.1	0.74
10/13/2004	ND	0.240	5.7	13.4	—	NA	542	ND	45.7	1.4
6/1/2005	0.018	0.300	16	17.2	—	NA	559	ND	38.9	1.3
6/1/2005	0.020	0.310	17	17.2	—	NA	566	ND	39.6	1.2
10/11/2005	0.030	0.350	23	20.0	—	NA	648	ND	37.5	1.9
6/25/2009	0.024	0.360	18.3	13.8	ND (0.015)	NA	491	ND (0.05)	30.2	1.0
6/25/2009	0.041	0.385	34.1	14.4	ND (0.015)	NA	447	ND (0.05)	16.5	1.9
8/24/2010	0.032	0.230	10.0	6.7	ND (0.001)	NA	330	ND (0.5)	32.0	1.1
6/29/2011	0.065	0.300	24.0	9.1	ND (0.001)	NA	310	ND (0.5)	18.0	1.7
6/21/2012	0.032	0.290	16.0	7.8	0.003	NA	300	ND (0.5)	27.0	1.3
6/12/2013	0.043	0.300	17.0	9.0	ND (0.001)	ND	230	ND (0.5)	20.0	1.7
6/12/2014	0.043	0.270	16.0	8.6	0.001	ND	360	ND (0.5)	33.0	1.4
6/12/2015	0.054	0.230	14.0	4.7	0.002	ND	210	ND (0.5)	27.0	1.5
6/17/2016	0.055	0.250	18.0	6.6	0.002	NA	220	ND (0.5)	22.0	1.7
<b>SH-8</b>										
2/5/2002	0.016	0.11	1.8	3.1	—	ND	NA	NA	NA	NA
4/17/2003	0.019	0.03	ND	0.0088	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4/17/2003	0.022	0.03	ND	0.0097	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10/22/2003	0.020	0.06	4.5	1.2	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
10/22/2003	0.018	0.06	4.4	1.2	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
6/1/2004	ND	0.049	ND	0.03	—	NA	63.3	7.3	112	0.35
10/13/2004	ND	0.050	0.22	0.88	—	NA	98	ND	13.2	1.7
10/13/2004	ND	0.055	0.22	0.9	—	NA	110	ND	24.4	1.8
6/1/2005	ND	0.045	ND	0.011	—	NA	32.4	4.3	99	0.41
10/11/2005	ND	0.057	ND	0.17	—	NA	36.4	6.3	99.5	1
10/11/2005	ND	0.055	ND	0.16	—	NA	35.6	6.4	101	0.82
6/25/2009	ND (0.01)	0.043	ND (0.05)	0.180	ND (0.015)	NA	85.6	ND (0.05)	7.2	0.51
6/25/2009	ND (0.01)	0.043	0.066	0.170	ND (0.015)	NA	90.1	ND (0.05)	7.3	0.43
6/25/2009	ND (0.01)	0.038	ND (0.05)	0.011	ND (0.015)	NA	11.0	2.54	35.6	0.54
8/24/2010	0.007	0.054	0.150	0.130	ND (0.001)	NA	150	ND (0.05)	40.0	ND (0.5)
6/29/2011	0.004	0.034	ND (0.05)	ND (0.005)	ND (0.001)	NA	4.0	1.0	30.0	ND (0.5)
6/21/2012	0.002	0.035	ND (0.05)	ND (0.005)	ND (0.001)	NA	5.0	1.7	27.0	ND (0.5)
6/12/2013	0.002	0.037	ND (0.05)	ND (0.005)	ND (0.001)	ND	4.0	1.4	27.0	ND (0.5)
6/12/2014	0.003	0.035	ND (0.05)	0.016	ND (0.001)	ND	18.0	ND (0.5)	7.0	ND (0.5)
6/12/2015	0.003	0.031	ND (0.05)	ND (0.005)	ND (0.001)	ND	4.0	1.5	19.0	ND (0.5)
6/17/2016	0.003	0.044	0.13	0.065	ND (0.001)	NA	31.0	ND (0.5)	12.0	0.6
<b>GAI-191</b>										
7/6/2011	0.036	0.055	30	2.6	ND (0.001)	NA	130	ND (0.5)	6.0	4.8
6/21/2012	0.066	0.060	19	2.2	0.001	NA	93	ND (0.5)	2.0	3.3
6/12/2013	0.007	0.028	3.5	0.68	ND (0.001)	ND	16	ND (0.5)	6.0	1.8
6/12/2014	0.016	0.096	30	2.3	ND (0.001)	ND	63	ND (0.5)	ND (1.0)	4.2
6/12/2015	0.011	0.039	6.8	0.68	ND (0.001)	ND	29	ND (0.5)	3.0	2.9
6/17/2016	0.014	0.028	10	1.1	ND (0.001)	NA	17	ND (0.5)	ND (1.0)	2.3
<b>GAI-102</b>										
7/6/2011	0.026	0.100	9.2	13	ND (0.001)	NA	390	ND (0.5)	35.0	1.3
6/21/2012	Well Damaged - No Sample Collected									
6/12/2013	0.013	0.099	5.3	14	0.002	ND	350	ND (0.5)	36.0	1.4
6/12/2014	0.020	0.055	7.3	15	0.003	ND	350	ND (0.5)	24.0	1.4
6/12/2015	0.017	0.100	5.1	9.4	0.003	ND	250	ND (0.5)	130.0	1.3
6/17/2016	0.012	0.110	5.7	14	0.004	NA	390	ND (0.5)	48.0	1.9

**Table 1: Groundwater Elev.**  
Former Spartan Transfer Station Site  
Londonderry, New Hampshire  
GMP No. GWP-191

Monitoring Location
Point of Reference Elev. (ft-Ground Surface Elevation) (ft-Northing
Easting
Screened Interval (ft-bgs)
Depth of Well (ft-bgs)
Date
2/5/2002 - 2/6/2002
4/17/2003
10/22/2003
6/1/2004
10/13/2004
6/1/2005
10/11/2005
6/25/2008
6/25/2009
8/24/2010
6/29/2011
8/24/2011
6/21/2012
6/12/2013
6/12/2014
6/12/2015
6/17/2016

**Notes:**

- 1) DTW = depth to water
- 2) GW Elev. = groundwater elev
- 3) ft = feet
- 4) ft-bgs = feet below ground sur
- 5) ft-msl = feet mean sea level
- 6) Ground surface elevations, re
- 7) Water level measurements pr
- 8) The top of the PVC well casin

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GAI-102	
318.7	
316.48	
1062308.9	
152688.2	
6 - 11	
11	
(ft)	GW Elev. (ft-msl)
Well Did Not Exist	
Well Damaged	
Well Damaged	
78	312.92
76	311.94
58	312.12
26	311.44

ed by: BPC  
ed by: JMR  
ed by: JSP

**Notes:**

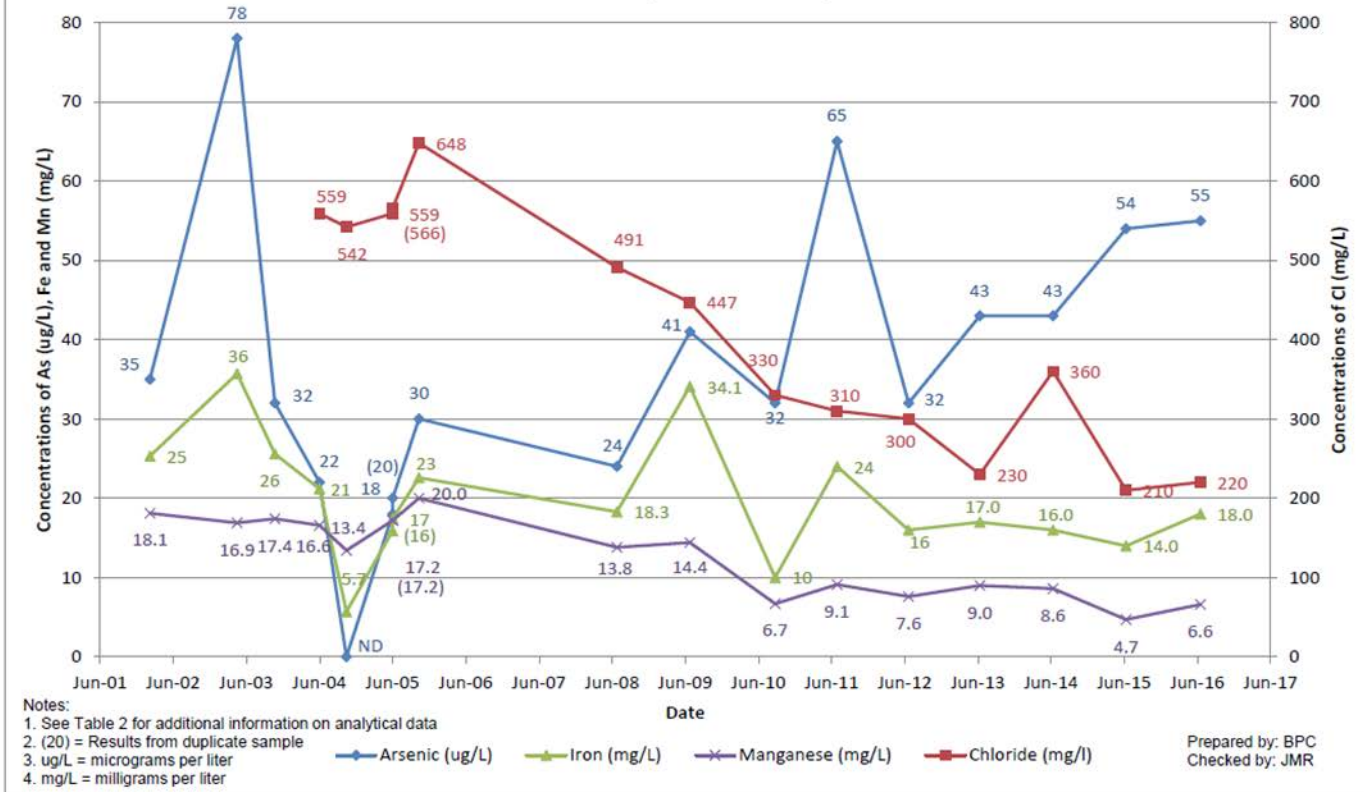
1. Groundwater samples collected on and after August 24, 2010 were collected by Golder Associates Inc. and submitted to Eastern Analytical Inc. of Concord, New Hampshire for analysis. Groundwater samples prior to that event were collected by SH-8 on the dates indicated and submitted to Test America (formerly Severn Trent Laboratories, Inc. (STL)) of Amherst, New York for selected analysis.
2. Groundwater samples collected for metals analysis were field-filtered using a 0.45-micron filter, and preserved with nitric acid after filtering.
3. Only analytes detected in one or more samples are listed.
4. ND (0.01) = not detected above the laboratory reporting limit.
5. NA = not analyzed for the parameter(s) identified.
6. NS = no standard.
7. AGGS = Ambient Groundwater Quality Standards in accordance with NHDES Env-Or 600
8. mg/l = milligrams per liter
9. TKN = total Kjeldahl nitrogen
10. Bold indicates an exceedance of the AGGS

Prepared by: BPC  
Checked by: JMR  
Reviewed by: JSP



# Report Attachments - Charts & Trends

**Figure 3**  
**Well SH-1 Trend Plot**  
**Former Spartan Transfer Station**  
**Londonderry, New Hampshire**



# Report Attachments - Laboratory Reports



James Peace  
Golder Associates, Inc.  
670 N. Commercial St., Suite 103  
Manchester, NH 03101

Subject: Laboratory Report



Attention: Aaron DeWees  
Absolute Resource Associates LLC

Your P.O. #: 38661  
Your Project #: 38661  
Your C.O.C. #: NA



October 03, 2016

Analytical Report for Service Request No: K1609523

ALS Environmental  
ALS Group USA, Corp  
1317 South 13th Avenue  
Kelso, WA 98626  
T: +1 360 577 7222  
F: +1 360 636 1068  
www.alsglobal.com

Dear Mr. Peace:

Enclosed please find the results of the sample(s) submitted to our laboratory in accordance with our QA/QC control types, and sample container types, and sample Analytical, Inc. (EAI) were certifies that the enclosed certifications. Please refer to the accreditation parameters.

The following standard abbreviations:  
Solid samples are:  
< : "less than" found  
> : "greater than" found  
%R : % Recovery

Eastern Analytical Inc. Massachusetts (M-NH005)

The following information Results/Data, Quality Control reproduced except in full.

If you have any questions (chemist(s) who performed sample(s) 30 days from the

We appreciate this opportunity.

Sincerely,

*Lorraine Olashaw*  
Lorraine Olashaw, Lab Director

Brandon Kernen  
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services  
29 Hazen Drive  
P.O. Box 95  
Concord, NH 03302-0095

RE: Bedford LF / 100100020

Dear Brandon,

Enclosed are the results of the sample(s) submitted to our laboratory August 17, 2016. For your reference, these analyses have been assigned our service request number K1609523.

Analyses were performed according to our laboratory's NELAP-approved quality assurance program. The test results meet requirements of the current NELAP standards, where applicable, and except as noted in the laboratory case narrative provided. For a specific list of NELAP-accredited analytes, refer to the certifications section at www.alsglobal.com. All results are intended to be considered in their entirety, and ALS Group USA Corp. dba ALS Environmental (ALS) is not responsible for use of less than the complete report. Results apply only to the items submitted to the laboratory for analysis and individual items (samples) analyzed, as listed in the report.

Please contact me if you have any questions. My extension is 3275. You may also contact me via email at Chris.Leaf@ALSGlobal.com.

Respectfully submitted,  
ALS Group USA, Corp. dba ALS Environmental

*Chris Leaf*  
Chris Leaf  
Project Manager

## CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

Date	Date
Quantity Extracted	Analyzed
21	2016/12/06 2016/12/07

IEC 17025:2005 for specific parameters on Provincial, Federal or US method compendia

with procedures and practices ordinarily exceed quality control procedures (except where other and method performance criteria unless at blank corrected.

the requested analyses, unless otherwise agreed upon by the Client using the responsibility of the client and are not within

light unless otherwise indicated. Organic analysis

without the written approval of the laboratory. Validated modifications from specific reference method result in the apparent difference.

rel. size ratio failure.



Lancaster Laboratories  
Environmental

## Analysis Report

2425 New Holland Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601 • Tel: 717-656-2000 • Fax: 717-656-2081 • www.LancasterLabs.com

### ANALYTICAL RESULTS

Prepared by:

Prepared for:

Eurofins Lancaster Laboratories Environmental  
2425 New Holland Pike  
Lancaster, PA 17601

NH Dept of Environmental Svcs  
Waste Management Division  
29 Hazen Drive  
PO Box 95  
Concord NH 03302-0095

Report Date: April 07, 2017

Project: 198704084 - Bedford Landfill

Submission Date: 03/22/2017

Group Number: 1779505

State of Sample Origin: NH

Client Sample Description  
MTBE\_8140 Grab Potable Water

Lancaster Labs  
(L.L.)#  
8895344

The specific methodologies used in obtaining the enclosed analytical results are indicated on the Laboratory Sample Analysis Record.

Regulatory agencies do not accredit laboratories for all methods, analytes, and matrices. Our current scopes of accreditation can be viewed at <http://www.eurofins.com/environment-to-nag/laboratories/eurofins-lancaster-laboratory-environmental-us-sources/certifications/>. To request copies of prior scopes of accreditation, contact your project manager.

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Attn: Derek Bennett  
Attn: LeaAnne Atwell  
Attn: Brandon Kernen  
Attn: Sarah Bartlett  
Attn: Kyla Day

Respectfully Submitted,

*Stacey L. Hess*  
Stacey L. Hess  
Project Manager

(717) 556-7236



# Water Supply Sampling Results

**Results should be sent by the consultant to:**

- The water supply owner
- NHDES' Waste Management Division via NHDES OneStop Data Provider
  - As an a cc' on the original; and/or
  - Be attached to the regular submittal

*A GMP may have specific requirements regarding reporting and submittal timelines.*



# Conclusions & Recommendations

*“... summarize the effectiveness of the remedial measures and groundwater quality within the GMZ.”*

- **Conclusion**

- What is the consultant’s analysis of the data and interpretation of the data and any ongoing trends?
- Is the conceptual model still valid?
- Is the GMZ adequate?

- **Recommendations**

- What are the next steps?
- Continue monitoring per the GMP?
- Is additional sampling or investigation needed?


# NHDES Responses

## Letter, e-mail, or phone call to the permittee


### Responses may:

- Request more information or data
- Request additional sampling or analysis
- Note deficiencies or errors to be addressed in future submittals

*Not all submittals get a  
direct response*



The State of New Hampshire  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Clark B. Freise, Assistant Commissioner

EMAIL ONLY  
May 30, 2017

Dale O'Connell, P.G.  
New Hampshire Department of Transportation  
7 Hazen Drive, PO Box 483  
Concord, NH 03302-0483

**Subject:** Londonderry – Former Spartan Consolidated, 160 Rockingham Road  
DES Site #198804014, Project #529

**2016 Annual Summary Report**, prepared by Golder Associates, Inc. (Golder),  
and dated July 26, 2016

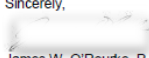
Dear Mr. O'Connell:

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), has reviewed the above-referenced document for the Former Spartan Consolidated site, as submitted to NHDES to comply with the requirements of the site Groundwater Management Permit GWP-198804014-L-002 (the Permit). Based on our review of the most-recent water quality monitoring results, and related information as provided in the above document, NHDES notes that overall water quality conditions remain generally comparable with the recent prior findings.

Based on recent conversations with the NHDOT and Golder we understand that the work outlined within the Revised Remedial Action Plan (dated January 31, 2014) which was expected to take place in 2017 will be delayed until 2019 when this area of the I-93 expansion project is now expected to be near completion. As discussed in previous correspondence, NHDES will request that updated sediment contaminant data be submitted prior to the sediment removal phase of remediation outlined in the Revised Remedial Action Plan.

NHDES appreciates NHDOT's on-going efforts to maintain compliance with the requirements of the site Permit with the submittal of the above-referenced document. If you have any questions with regard to our comments, please contact me directly at NHDES' Waste Management Division.

Sincerely,



James W. O'Rourke, P.G.  
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Tel: (603) 271-2909  
Fax: (603) 271-2181  
Email: [James.O'Rourke@des.nh.gov](mailto:James.O'Rourke@des.nh.gov)

**Waste Management Division**

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Title: Waste Management Division  
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Concord, NH  
Date: 2017.05.30 13:27:30 -0400

ec: Linda Birmingham, CPM, SWMB/NHDES  
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David Kammer, NHDOT  
James Peace, P.G., Golder Associates  
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# POST-CLOSURE CARE TAKEAWAY

- Closed landfills still matter
- Tools for moving forward
- The future of our closed landfills





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