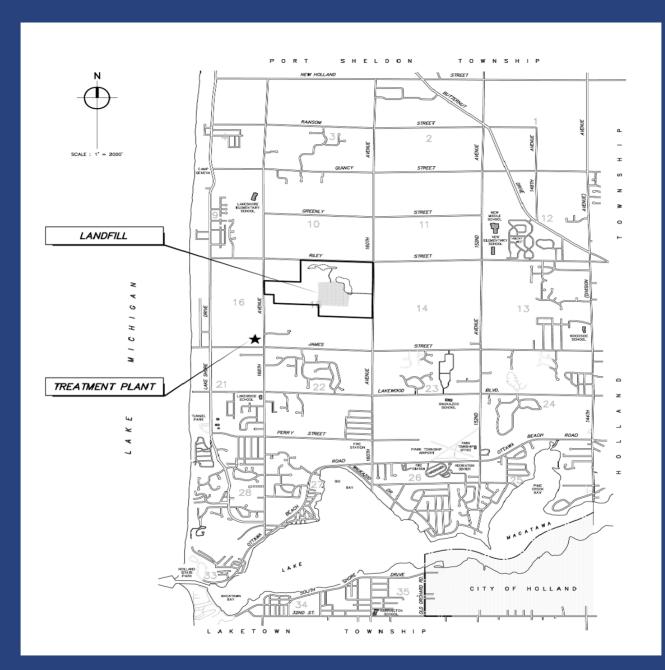
SW Ottawa County Landfill

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Landfill Operation



- 1968 Landfill Constructed
- 1968 1980 Site in Operation ("State of the Art")
- 1979 Groundwater contamination discovered
- 1980 Site Closed
- 1981 Site Capped
- 1986 SUPERFUND list





- 1979-2009 Groundwater Investigation
- 1987 Purge & Treatment System Installed
- 1992 1994 More wells and treatment added
- 1994 2008 System monitoring and more investigation
- 1996 Proposed upgrades
- 2003 Watermain extended south on Lakeshore Drive
- 2006 New landfill cover
- 2008 New purge wells
- 2009 Modified treatment system

GW Contamination Investigation



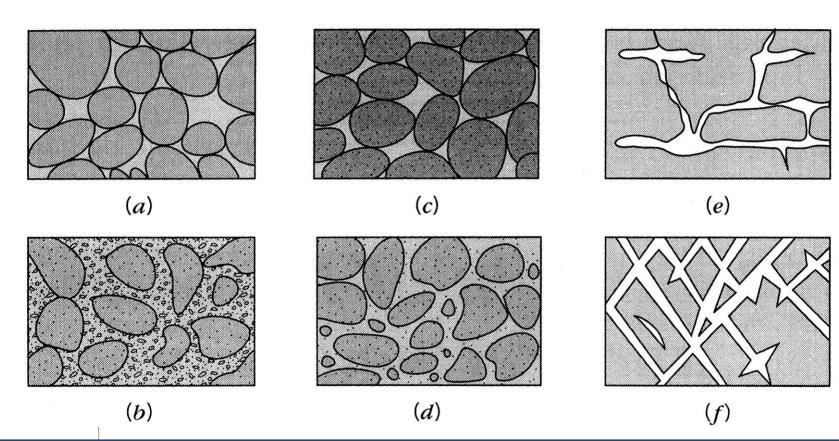
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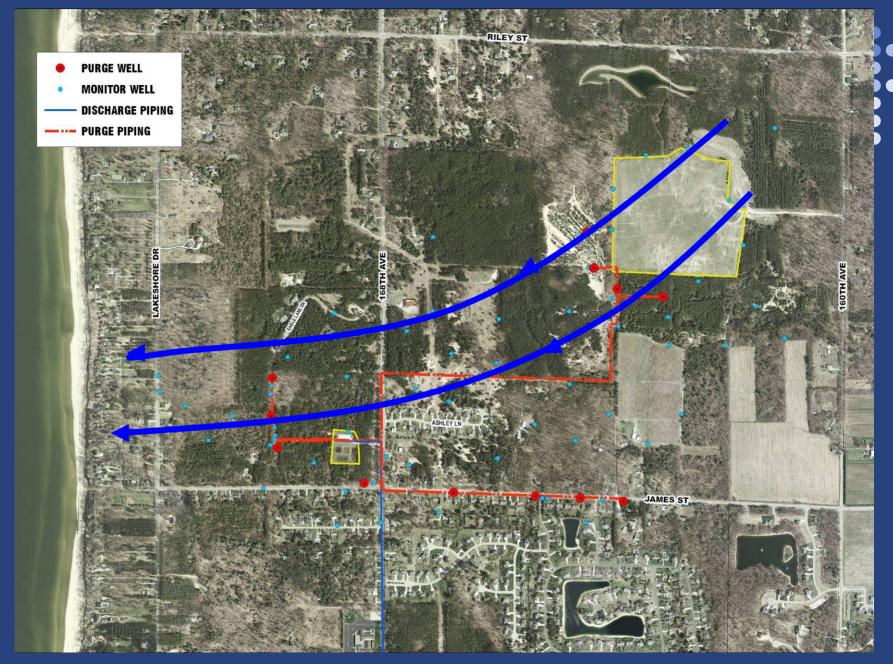
- Basic Hydrogeology
 - 1. Unconfined Aquifer
 - 2. Groundwater occurs 5 to 25 feet below ground
 - 3. Fine to Coarse Sand, Surface to 40-50 feet
 - 4. Silt/Clay 40-50 feet deep
 - 5. Hydraulic Gradient: 0.004 ft/ft
 - 6. Groundwater Flow Direction: Southwest then West



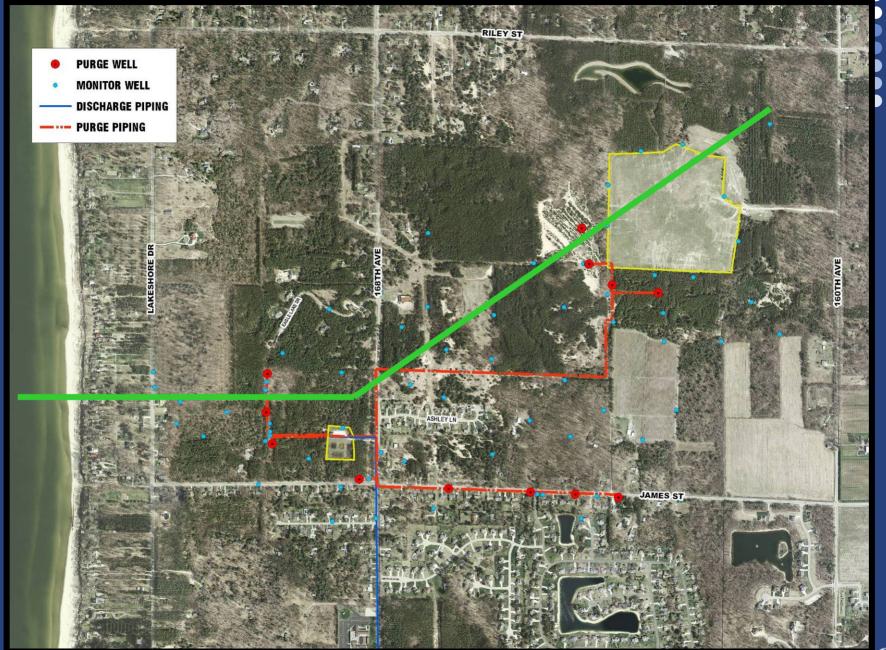
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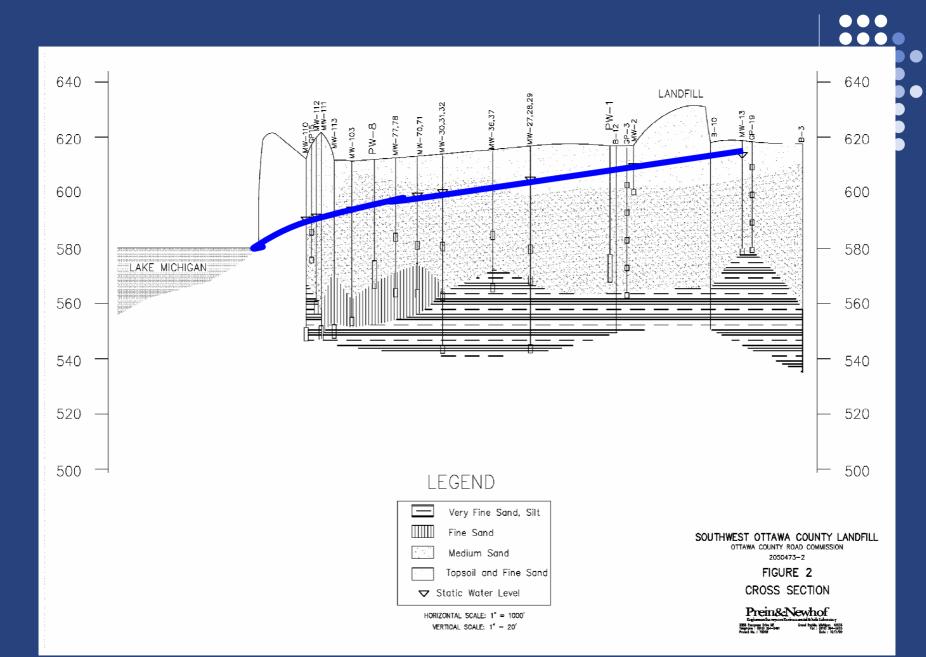




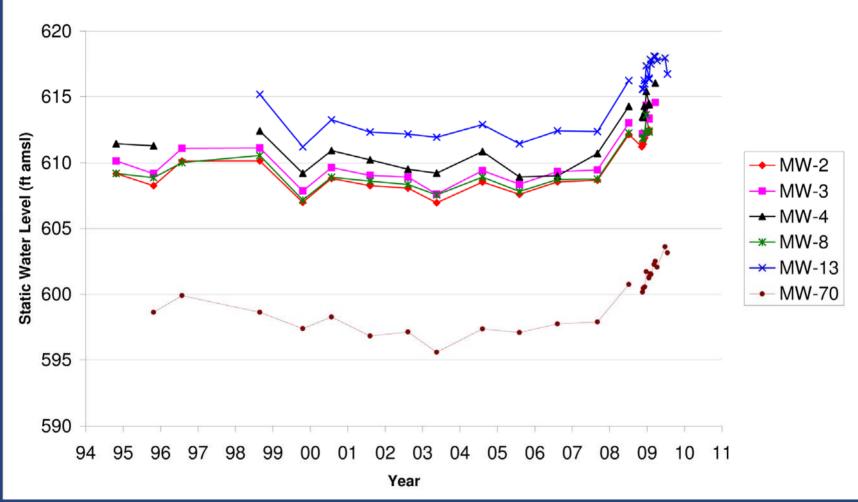


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Southwest Ottawa County Landfill Static Water Levels







- Basic Hydrogeology (continued)
 - 6. Aquifer characteristics: hydraulic conductivity and storage coefficients allows us to predict time of travel, what happens under pumping conditions, and zones of capture
 - 7. Estimated Groundwater Flow Rate: 1 to 3 feet/day

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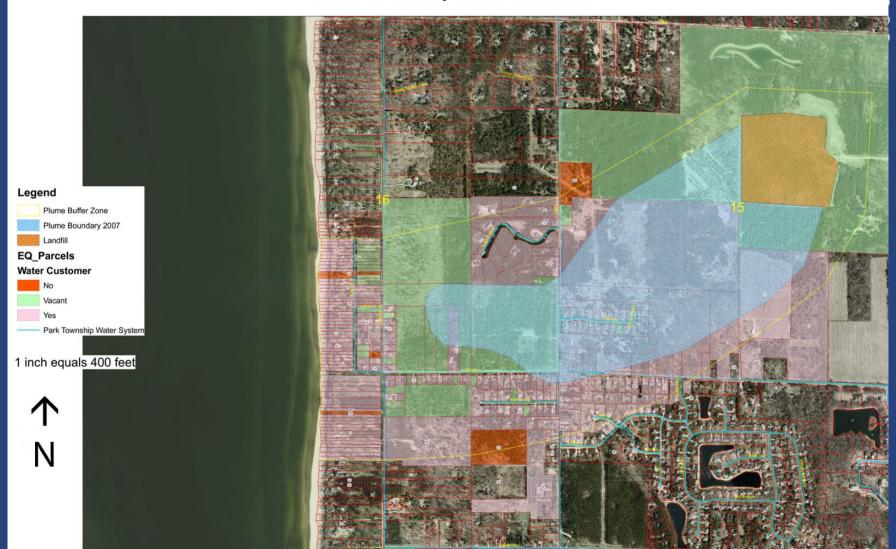


- 1979-2009 Installation of 115 Monitor Wells
- Contamination
 - Indicator Parameters: Specific Conductance & Iron
 - Primary Contaminants: Volatile Organic Compounds (ppb range)
 - VOC contamination is largely gone within 500 to 1,000 feet of the landfill
 - Elevated iron seen further out as a result of biodegradation of VOCs through iron reduction
 - No VOCs above health based drinking water criteria except next to landfill





Southwest Ottawa County Landfill Plume Boundary with Buffer Zone



1987 Groundwater Remediation



I. Purge Wells

- 7 purge wells 2 near landfill, 5 downgradient
- 3 purge wells added in 1992

II. Treatment System

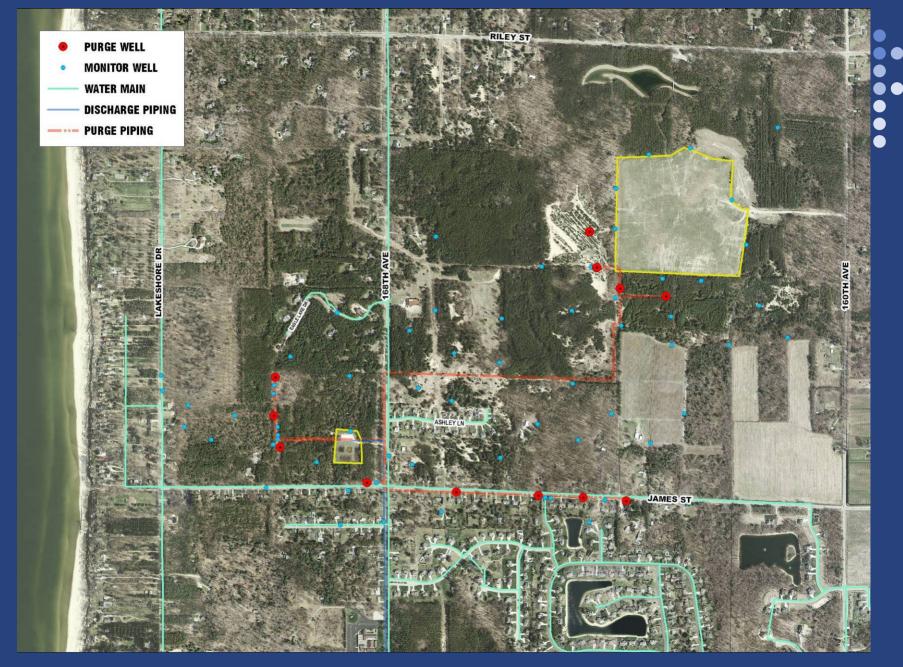
- Iron Removal
 - 1. Oxidation with Potassium Permanganate
 - 2. Filtration
- VOC Removal
 - 1. Carbon Adsorption





I. Water Main Extension in 2003 (\$500,000)

- Eliminate Potential Human Exposure
- Extended ¼ mile of 12-inch Watermain
- Connected approx. 20 homes
- Abandoned existing wells
- Set up ordinance prohibiting future wells in the area

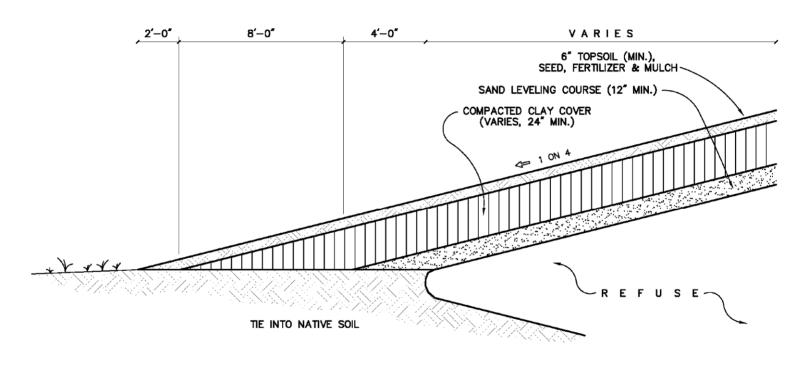


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2006-2008 Remediation



- I. Landfill Cover $\overline{2006}$ (\$1,500,000)
 - Minimize infiltration through waste materials
 - Reshaped to improve shedding of water
 - Cover Construction
 - 1 foot sand
 - 2 feet compacted clay
 - 0.5 feet topsoil
 - 46 relief vents



TYPICAL COVER SECTION

SCALE: NONE





II. Landfill Cover

- 16,000 cubic yards of waste relocation
- 80,000 cubic yards sand from pond site
- 220,000 cubic yards (400,000 tons) clay and topsoil brought to site from Autumn Hills Landfill
- 8,000 Truckloads (40 per day for 200 days, 16 mile round trip)





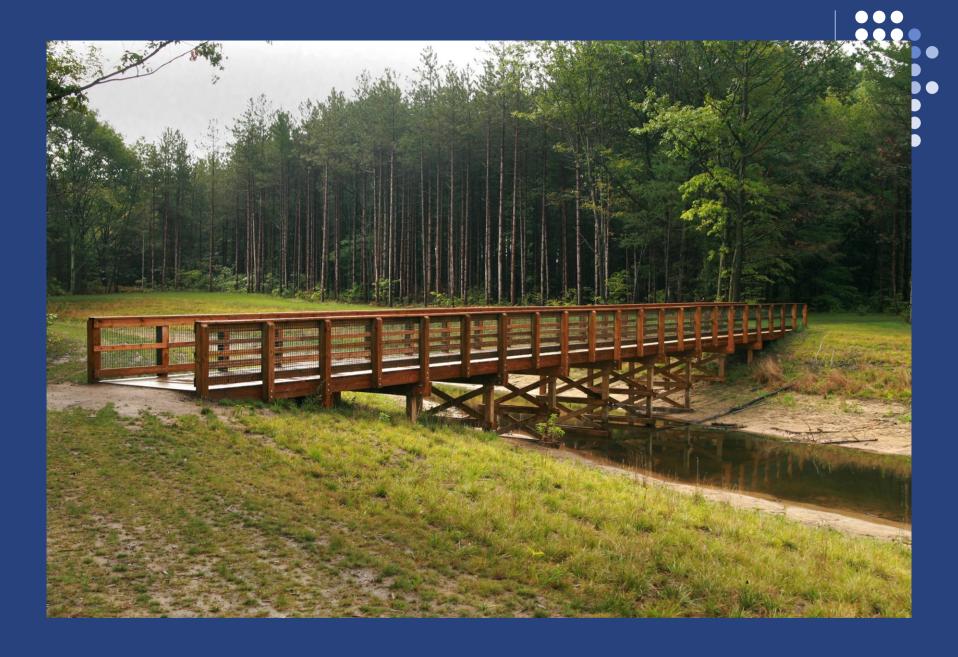
II. Landfill Cover

- Park Benefits
 - Future Potential Sledding Hill
 - Future Open-Space Wildflower Meadow
 - Water Feature
 - Relocated lady's slippers prior to construction



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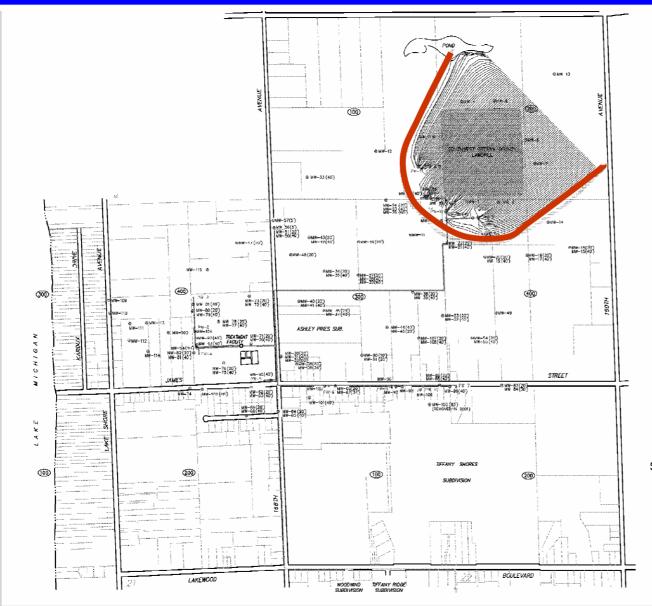


III. Groundwater Remediation (\$1,800,000)

• Installed 4 new purge wells to improve capture of contaminants.

• The only current wells that exceed the NPDES permit for discharge are next to the landfill







SCALE : 1" = 800"

LEGEND

MW (40) MONITORING WELL
 PR PURGE WELL
 PURGE WELL PIPING
 DISCHARGE PIPING
 PATHLINE
 CAPTURE ZONE LIMITS

SOUTHWEST OTTAWA COUNTY LANDFILL OTTAWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

FIGURE 3
CAPTURE ZONE AT EXTRACTION
RATE OF 75 GPM PER WELL

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III. Groundwater Remediation

- Improved the treatment system.
 - Using aeration for oxidation to reduce chemical use and cost.
 - Added a new system for iron removal: flocculation, settling, & filtration.
 - No changes to carbon absorption for VOC removal.
 - System is automated to run with no operator present





III. Groundwater Remediation

- Benefits
 - Reduced flow to treat by one-half
 - Capture and treat twice as much contamination
 - Reduced maintenance on purge wells
 - Capture more contaminated groundwater