

FORENSIC STUDY TOOLS TO EVALUATE POLYNUCLEAR AROMATIC HYDROCARBONS (PAH) SOURCE ORIGINS: A CASE STUDY

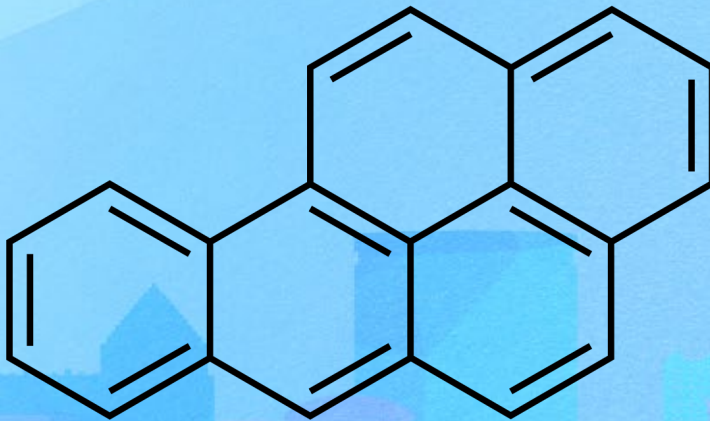
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Goals of Presentation

- Brief Discussion on Pyrogenic vs. Petrogenic PAHs.
- Brief Discussion on Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Forensic Study.
- Study Evaluation Methods.
- Evaluation Methods Applied to Case Study.
- Conclusion.

Petrogenic Vs Pyrogenic

- Petrogenic
 - From petroleum products asphalt, diesel, gasoline, home heating oil, motor oil, lubricants, unprocessed coal and crude oil.



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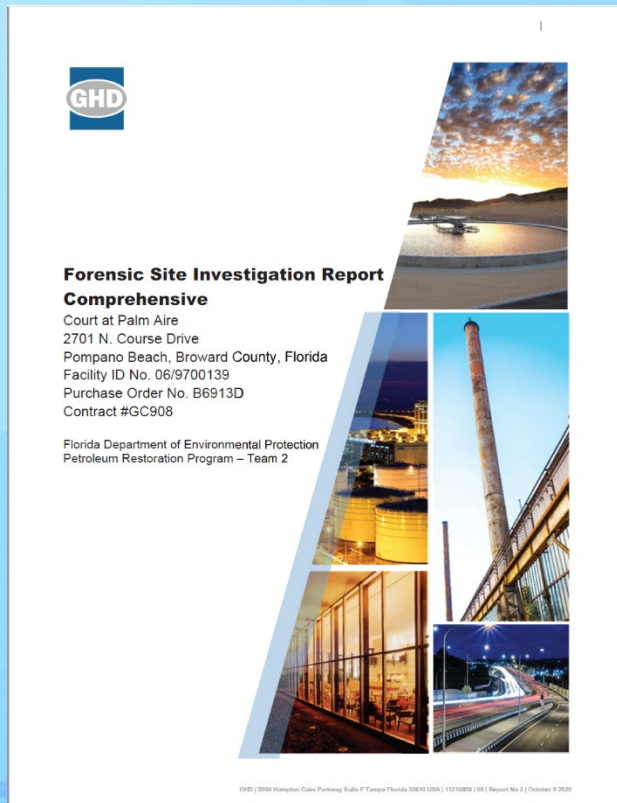
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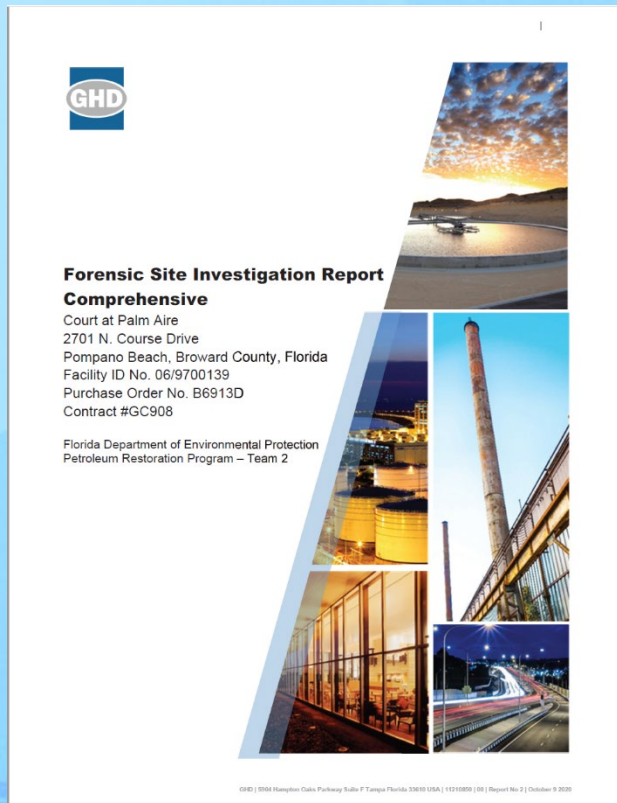
- Pyrogenic
 - Anthropogenic sources include residential wood burning, diesel and gasoline engine exhaust, emissions from coal-fired power plants, creosote, and coal tar from pavement sealants.

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DEP Forensic Study



- October 2020.
- Seven Petroleum Restoration Program Sites – Two located in Broward.
- One Agency Term Contractor (ATC) (GHD Services) worked on all seven sites to get soil and groundwater data.

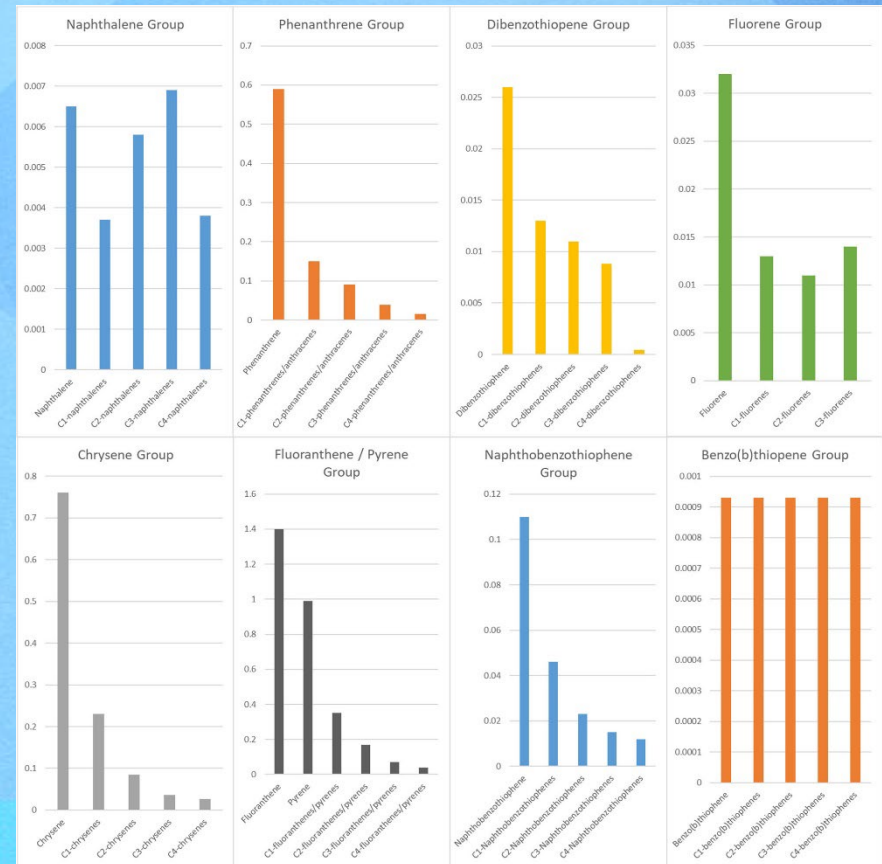


- Sites with known PAH impacts (particularly Benzo (a) Pyrene (BaP) and BaP equivalents) were chosen for evaluation.
- Goal: Can we develop a method of determining if PAH impacts at a site are related to a release or more likely related to combustion/pavement PAHs.

Why Do the Study?

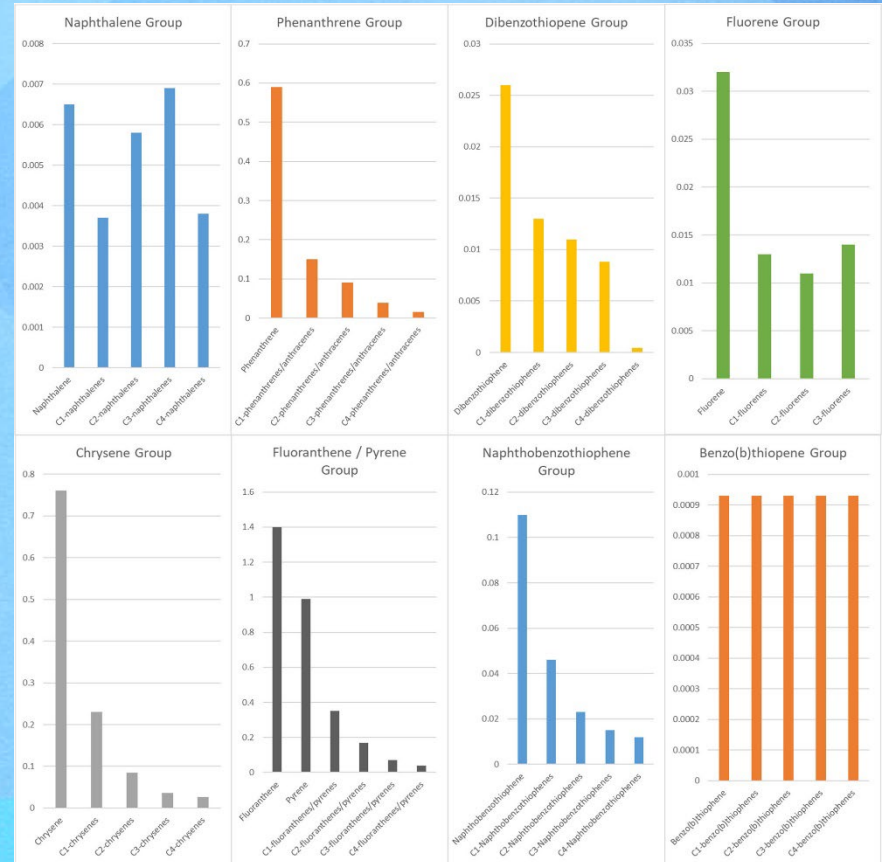
- PAH lab results showed BaP/BaP Equivalents exceedances.
- Shallow soils, in many cases in the top two feet.
- If not related to release, let's not waste time and money addressing impacts through the Petroleum Restoration Program (PRP).
- Try to determine if those PAH exceedances are related to the release.
- If they are not, let's issue a Site Rehabilitation Completion Order (SRCO).

- Look at BaP data and Organic Vapor Analyzer (OVA).
 - OVA can indicate petroleum impacts.
 - High BaP and low OVA suggest pyrogenic.
 - Low BaP and high OVA suggest petrogenic.



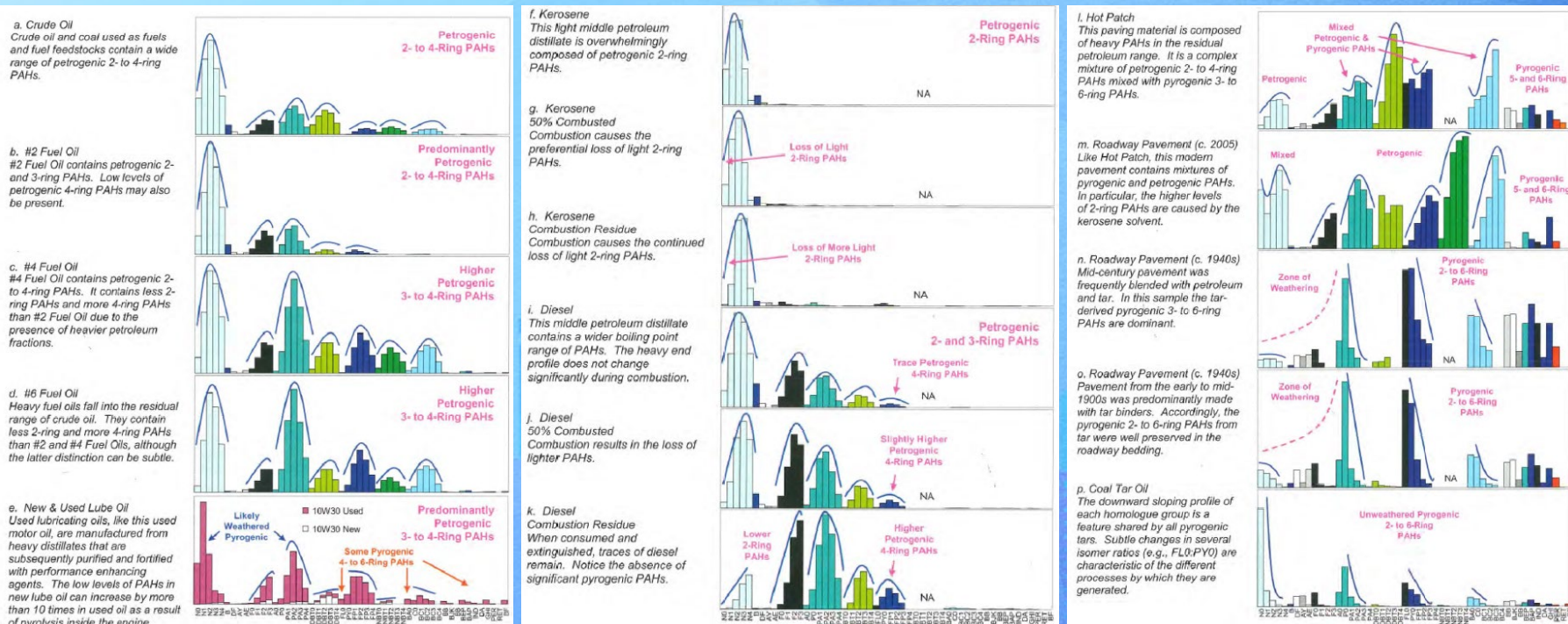
Forensic Study Method

- Parent vs. Alkylated
 - Left-skewed suggest pyrogenic.
 - Uniform or bell shaped suggest petrogenic.
 - Right-skewed suggest weathered or biodegraded petroleum product.



Compare PAH Distribution to established PAH Reference Histograms.

- Petrogenic = skewed to the left.
- Pyrogenic = skewed to the right.



Examine Single Ratio Histograms

- Low Molecular Weight/High Molecular Weight.
- Combustion/Total.
- Fluoranthene (FLA)/(FLA + pyrene (PYR)).
- Benzo[a]anthracene (BaA)/(BaA + Chrysene).
- Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene (IcdP)/(IcdP + Benzo[ghi]perylene (BghiP)).

Likely Pyrogenic:

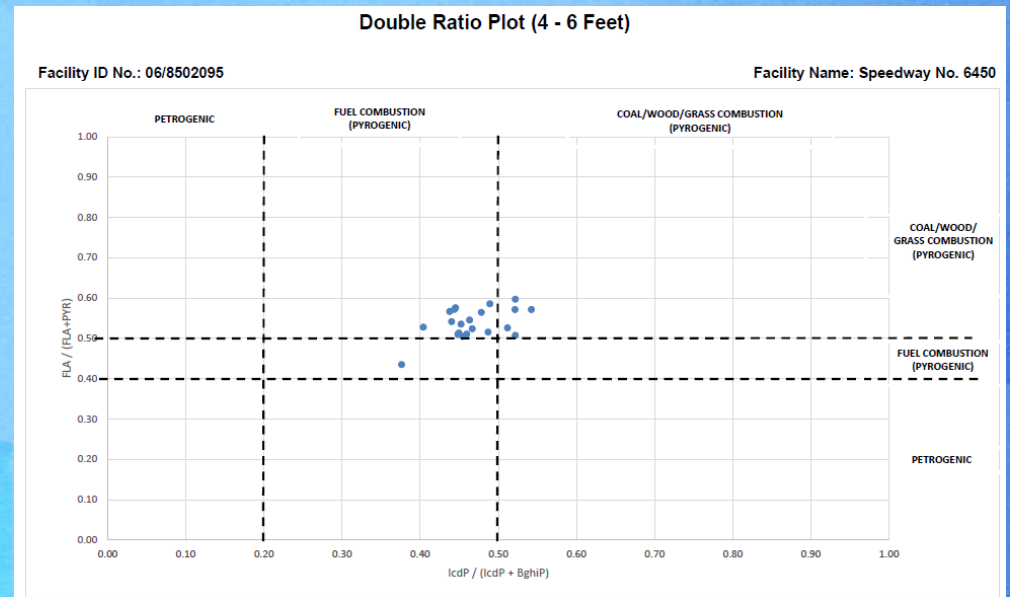
- If the Low Molecular Weight (LMW)/High Molecular Weight (HMW) ratio is < 1 .
- If the Combustion/Total ratio is close to 1.0.
- If the $\text{FLA}/(\text{FLA} + \text{PYR}) > 0.4$.
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- If the $(\text{IcdP})/(\text{IcdP} + \text{BghiP}) > 0.2$.

Likely Petrogenic:

- If the LMW/HMW ratio is > 1 .
- If the Combustion/Total ratio is < 0.8 .
- If the FLA/(FLA + PYR) < 0.4 .
- If the BaA/(BaA + Chrysene) < 0.2 .
- If the (IcdP)/(IcdP + BghiP) < 0.2 .

Create a Double Ratio Plot using the concentrations of four PAHs:

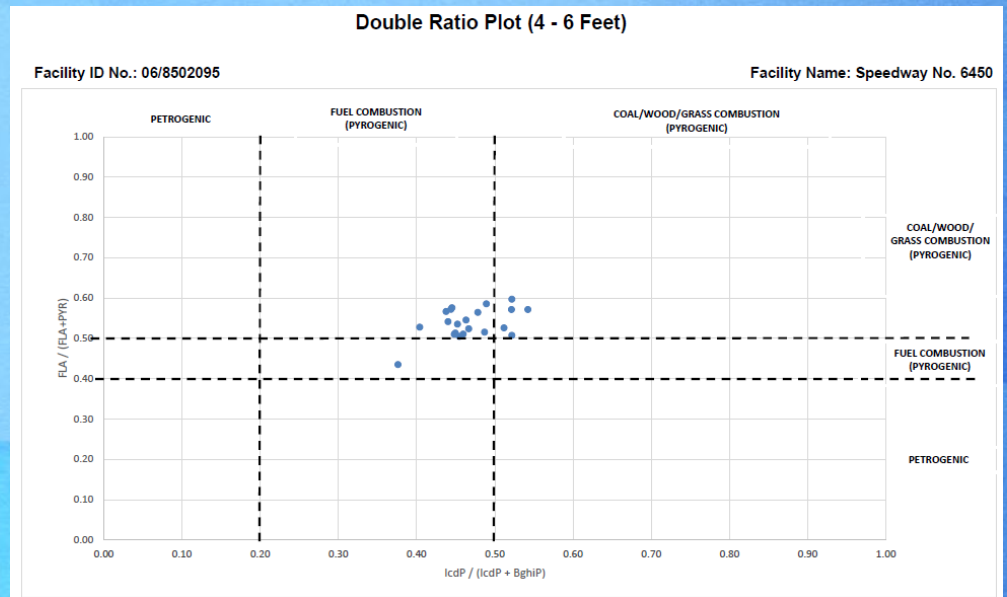
- Fluoranthene (FLA).
- Pyrene (PYR).
- Indeno(1,2,3-c,d)pyrene (IcdP).
- Benzo(g,h,i)perylene (BgghiP).



Plotted with the axes representing these ratios:

$$\frac{FLA}{FLA + PYR} \quad \& \quad \frac{IcdP}{IcdP + BghiP}$$

See if the results are clustered, and where on the chart they cluster.



Speedway #6450

FDEP Facility No.
06/8502095

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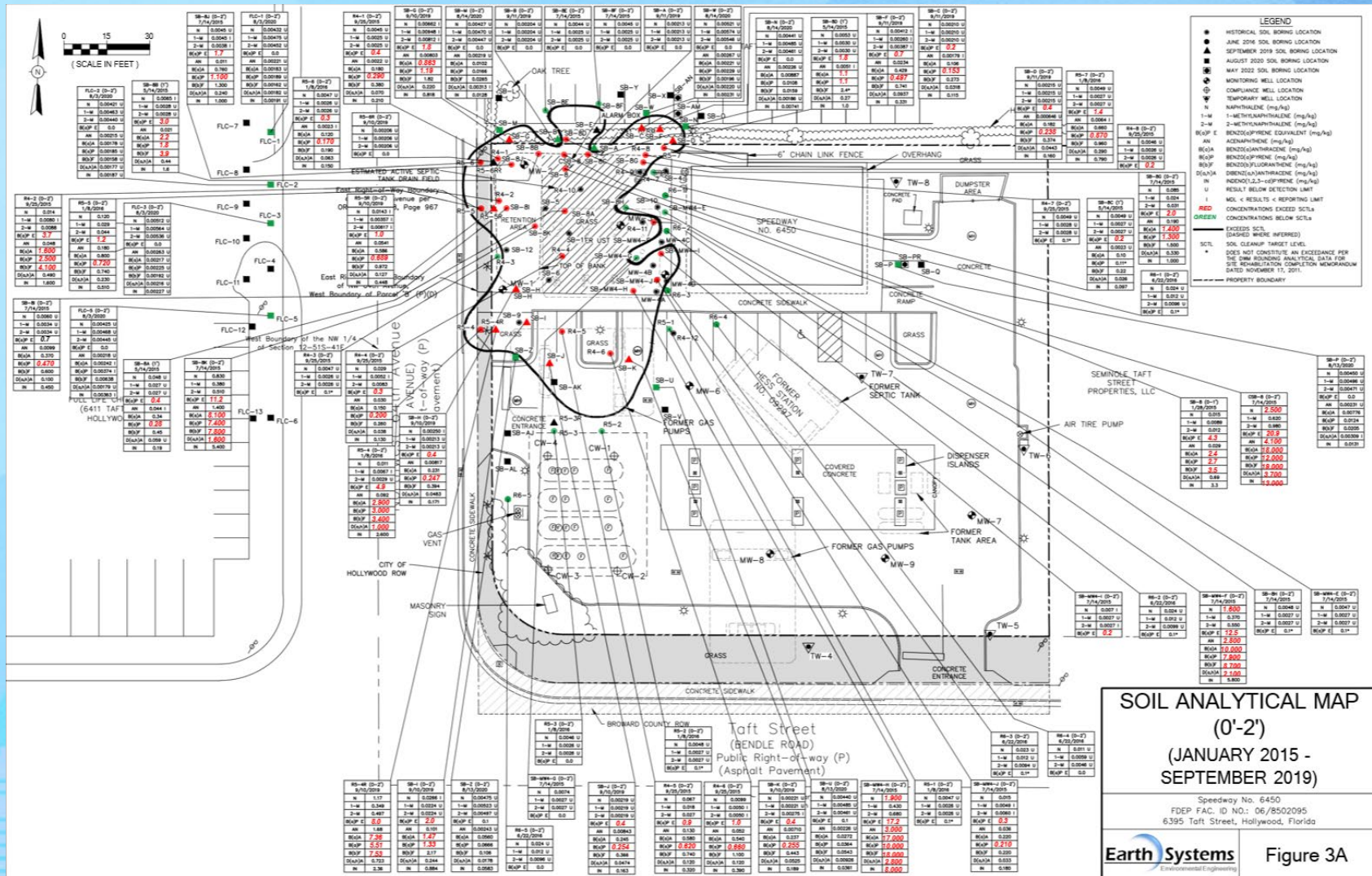
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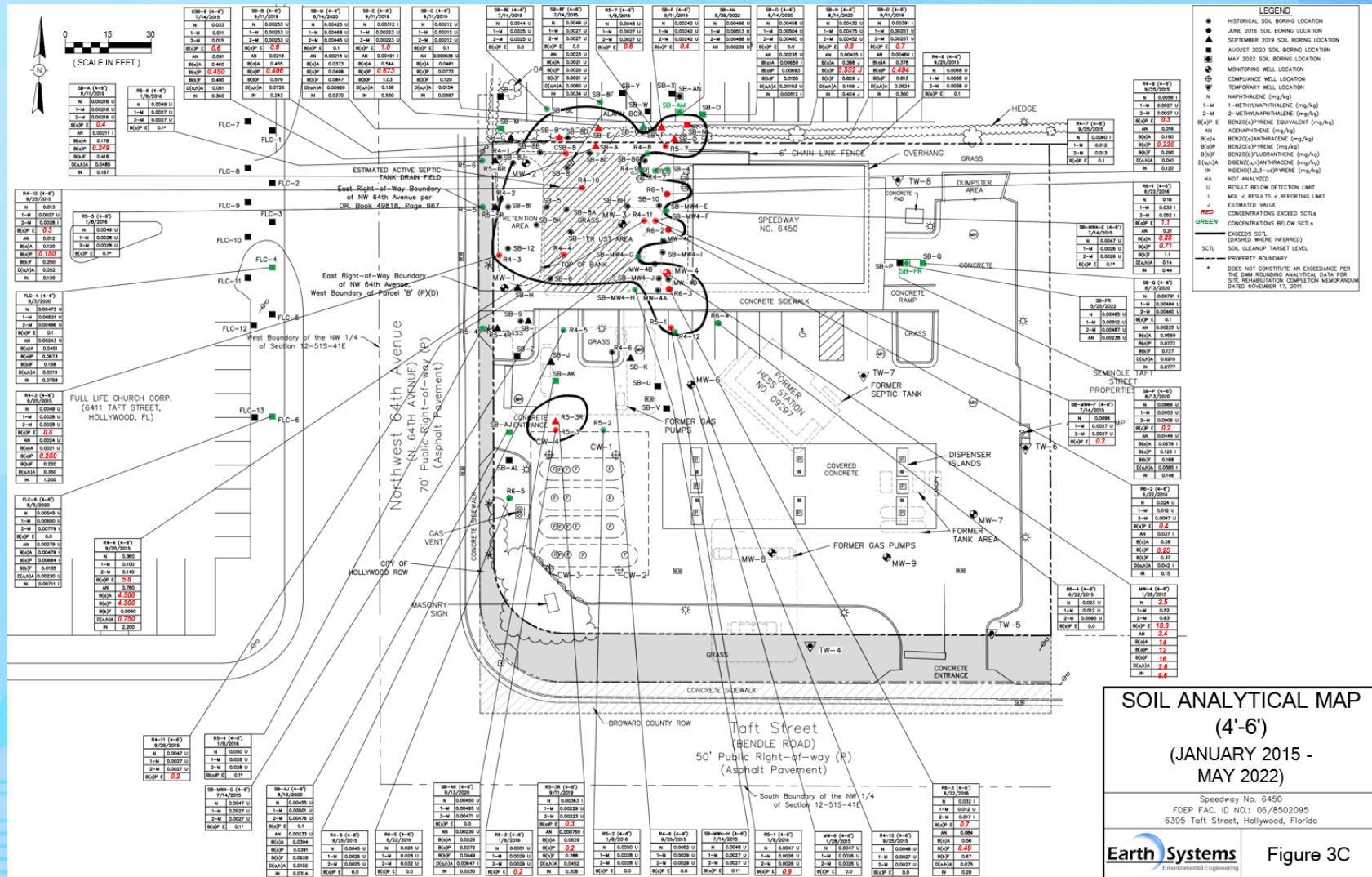
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An active Speedway retail petroleum facility with a convenience store.





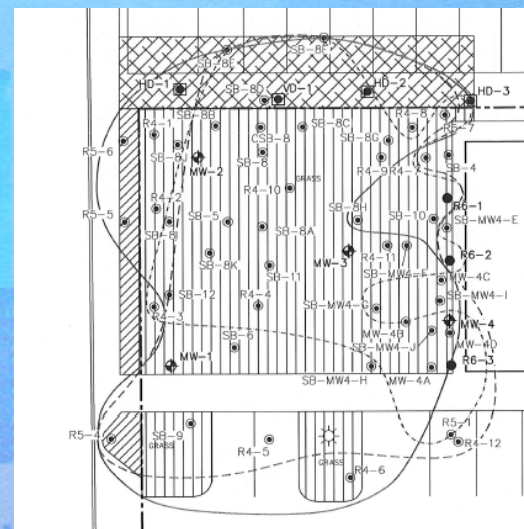
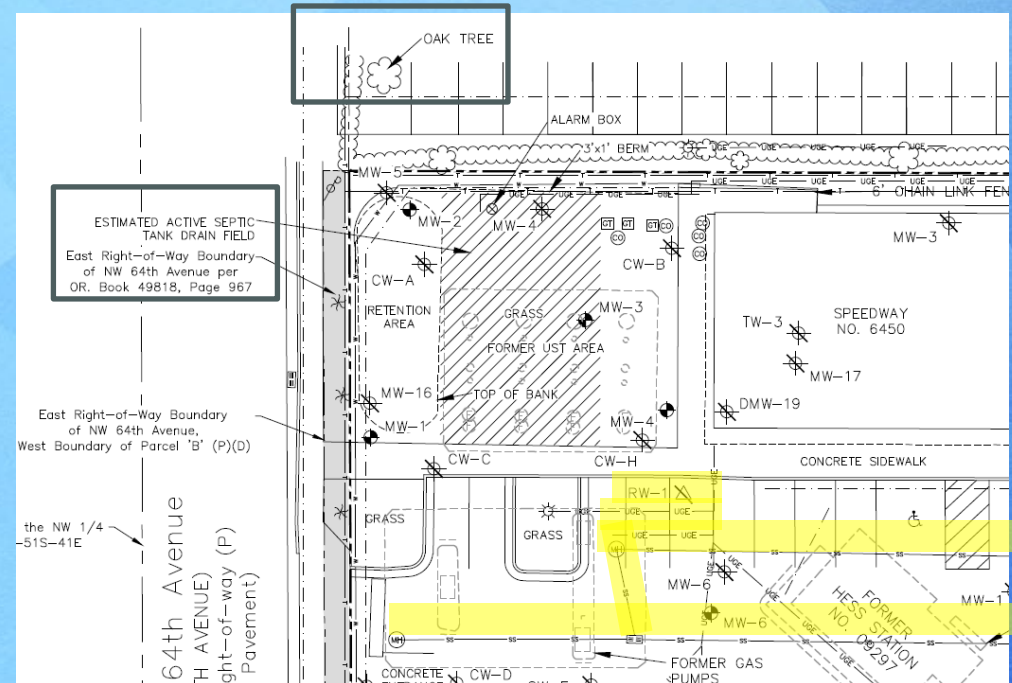




The Case Study – Complications

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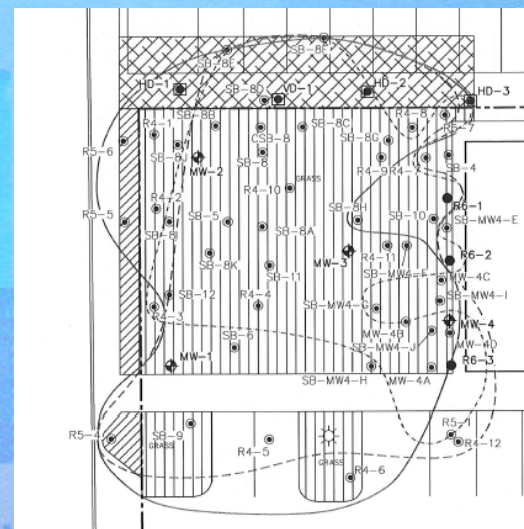
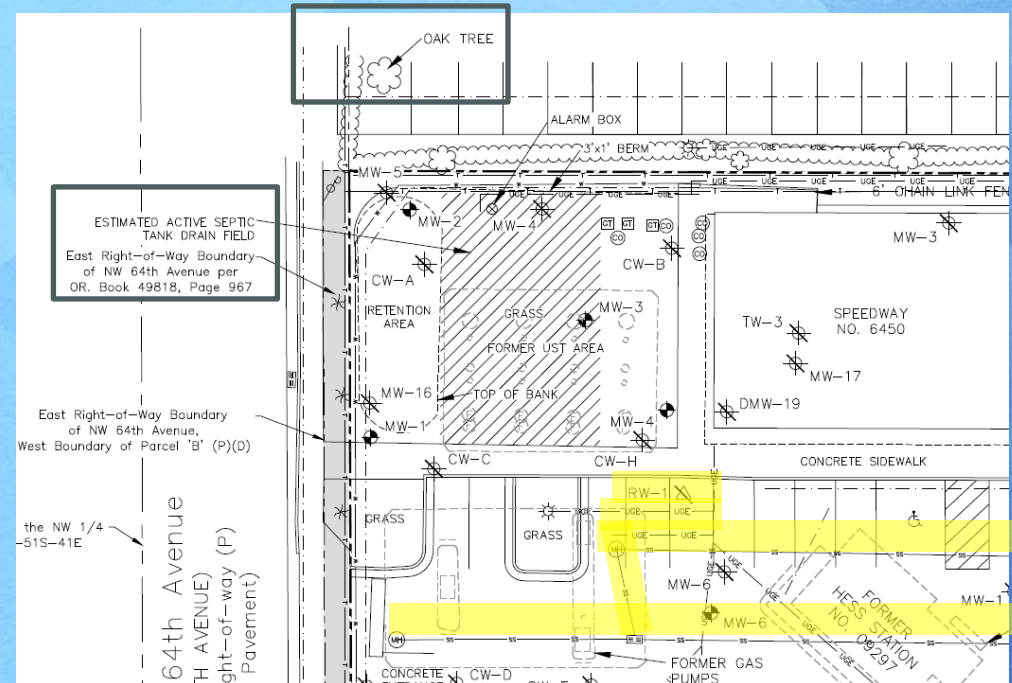
- Potential Source Removal.
 - Over 500 yd³
- Several complicating factors for implementation.



The Case Study – Complications

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- Complications with excavation area.
- Parcel to North owned by Seminole Tribe/Historic Oak Tree.
- Septic drain field.



The Case Study – OVA and Lab

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- Low OVAs but multiple exceedances of PAHs (mainly BaP and BaP equivalents).

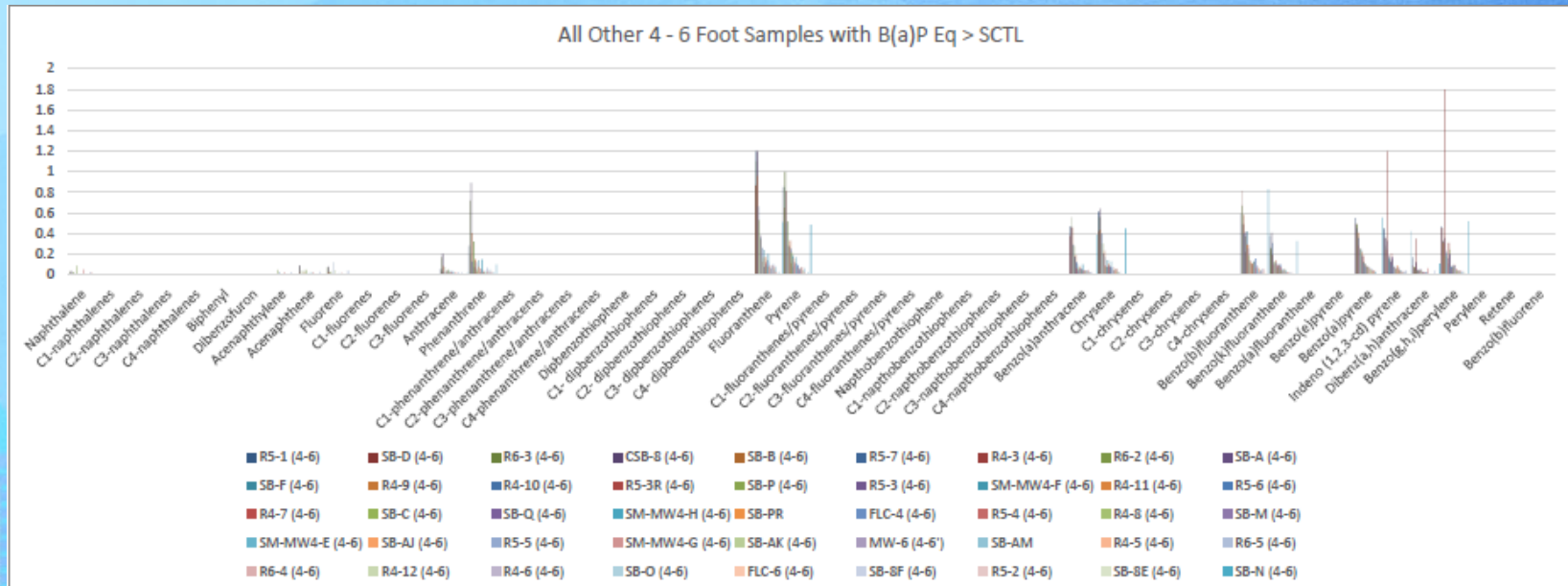
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SB-L	8/14/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed
SB-M	8/14/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis
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SB-O	8/14/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-P	8/13/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-Q	8/13/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-U	8/13/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-V	8/13/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-W	8/14/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-X	8/14/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-Y	8/14/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-Z	8/13/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-AJ	8/13/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-AK	8/13/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis
SB-AL	8/13/2020	NE	0.2 2.4 4.6	<1 <1 <1	Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis Sample collected for lab analysis/Not analyzed

Property Sample Collected From	Sample ID	Date	Collection Interval (ft b/c)	OVA Response (ppm)	Naphthalene	1-Methyl naphthalene	2-Methyl naphthalene	Acenaphthene	Acenaphthylene	Anthracene	Benzo[a]fluoranthene	Benzo[a]pyrene	Benzo[b]fluoranthene	Benzo[k]fluoranthene	Chrysene	Dibenz[a,h]anthracene	Fluoranthene	Fluorene	Indeno (1,2,3-cd) pyrene	Phenanthrene	Pyrene	BaP Equivalents	
Source	RS-3 (4-6)	01/08/16	4-6	>15,000	0.0051 U	0.0029 U	0.0029 U	0.0024 U	0.0043 I	0.012	0.037	0.120*	0.140	0.300	0.110	0.074	0.056	0.074	0.0025 U	0.170	0.013	0.071	0.2
Off-site (ROW)	RS-4 (4-6)	01/08/16	4-6	38.3	0.060 U	0.028 U	0.028 U	0.024 U	0.023 U	0.021 I	0.042 I	0.069 I	0.069	0.069 I	0.064 I	0.074 I	0.062 U	0.090	0.024 U	0.061 I	0.034 I	0.062 I	0.1*
Off-site (ROW)	RS-5 (4-6)	01/08/16	4-6	16.0	0.0049 U	0.0028 U	0.0028 U	0.0068 I	0.0022 U	0.018	0.042	0.039	0.031	0.029	0.016	0.046	0.012	0.100	0.0076	0.028	0.070	0.071	0.1*
Off-site (ROW)	RS-6 (4-6)	01/08/16	4-6	7.2	0.0049 U	0.0027 U	0.0027 U	0.0023 U	0.023	0.033	0.056	0.062	0.091	0.078	0.100	0.083	0.027	0.100	0.0024 U	0.073	0.019	0.094	0.1*
Source	RS-7 (4-6)	01/08/16	4-6	88.7	0.0048 U	0.0027 U	0.0027 U	0.0032 I	0.0057 I	0.030	0.290	0.360	0.400	0.360	0.310	0.400	0.120	0.660	0.0044 I	0.330	0.130	0.510	0.6
Source	RS-1 (4-6)	06/22/16	4-6	0	0.16	0.033 I	0.052 I	0.21	0.0075 U	0.30	0.88	0.71	1.1	0.51	0.36	0.83	0.14	1.8	0.18	0.44	1.6	1.5	1.1
Source	RS-2 (4-6)	06/22/16	4-6	0	0.024 U	0.012 U	0.0097 U	0.037 I	0.0077 U	0.074	0.28	0.25	0.37	0.18	0.13	0.30	0.042 I	0.53	0.029 I	0.15	0.32	0.52	0.4
Source	RS-3 (4-6)	06/22/16	4-6	0	0.032 I	0.012 U	0.017 I	0.084	0.0076 U	0.17	0.56	0.49	0.67	0.32	0.26	0.56	0.075	1.1	0.072 I	0.28	0.72	1.0	0.7
Source	RS-4 (4-6)	06/22/16	4-6	0	0.023 U	0.012 U	0.0095 U	0.011 U	0.0075 U	0.0099 U	0.0087 U	0.0084 U	0.054 U	0.0093 U	0.016 U	0.0086 U	0.011 U	0.0097 U	0.0093 U	0.013 U	0.027 U	0.0076 U	0.0
Source	RS-5 (4-6)	06/22/16	4-6	0	0.026 U	0.028 U	0.032 U	0.029 U	0.025 U	0.024 U	0.023 U	0.0094 I	0.060 U	0.029 U	0.017 U	0.028 U	0.040 U	0.026 U	0.036 U	0.040 U	0.030 U	0.040 U	0.0
SUPPLEMENTAL SOIL ASSESSMENT - SEPTEMBER 2019 / AUGUST 2020																							
Source	SB-A (4-6)	09/11/19	4-6	0	0.00216 U	0.00216 U	0.00216 U	0.00211 I	0.000647 U	0.0126	0.178	0.249	0.418	0.233	0.111	0.206	0.0485	0.377	0.00271 I	0.187	0.0730	0.278	0.4
Source	SB-B (4-6)	09/11/19	4-6	0	0.00263 U	0.00263 U	0.00263 U	0.0218	0.000759 U	0.0621	0.485	0.406	0.879	0.309	0.194	0.438	0.0726	0.958	0.0236	0.243	0.462	0.812	0.6
Source	SB-C (4-6)	09/11/19	4-6	0	0.00212 U	0.00212 U	0.00212 U	0.000636 U	0.00263 I	0.0461	0.0773	0.120	0.0770	0.0431	0.0667	0.0154	0.0809	0.000636 U	0.0597	0.0170	0.0706	0.1	
Source	SB-D (4-6)	09/11/19	4-6	0	0.00391 I	0.00257 U	0.00257 U	0.00460 I	0.000772 U	0.0341	0.378	0.434	0.813	0.451	0.235	0.434	0.0524	0.866	0.00597	0.360	0.194	0.648	0.7
Source	SB-E (4-6)	09/11/19	4-6	0	0.00312 I	0.00223 U	0.00223 U	0.00491 I	0.000904	0.0521	0.544	0.673	1.03	0.666	0.325	0.700	0.138	0.956	0.00501	0.550	0.226	0.830	1.0
Source	SB-F (4-6)	09/11/19	4-6	0	0.00242 U	0.00242 U	0.00242 U	0.00183 I	0.000727 U	0.0131	0.168	0.241	0.420	0.212	0.115	0.193	0.0414	0.360	0.00299 I	0.166	0.0718	0.268	0.4
Source	RS-3R (4-6)	09/11/19	4-6	1000	0.00363 I	0.00229 U	0.00229 U	0.000769 I	0.000696 U	0.0104	0.0629	0.180	0.288	0.307	0.0852	0.0883	0.0462	0.124	0.00120 I	0.208	0.0172	0.111	0.3
Full Life Church	FLC-4 (4-6)	08/03/20	4-6	<1	0.00473 U	0.00521 U	0.00496 U	0.00243 U	0.00251 U	0.00624 I	0.0451	0.0673	0.158	0.0908	0.0483	0.0721	0.0219	0.117	0.00238 U	0.0758	0.0220	0.0950	0.1

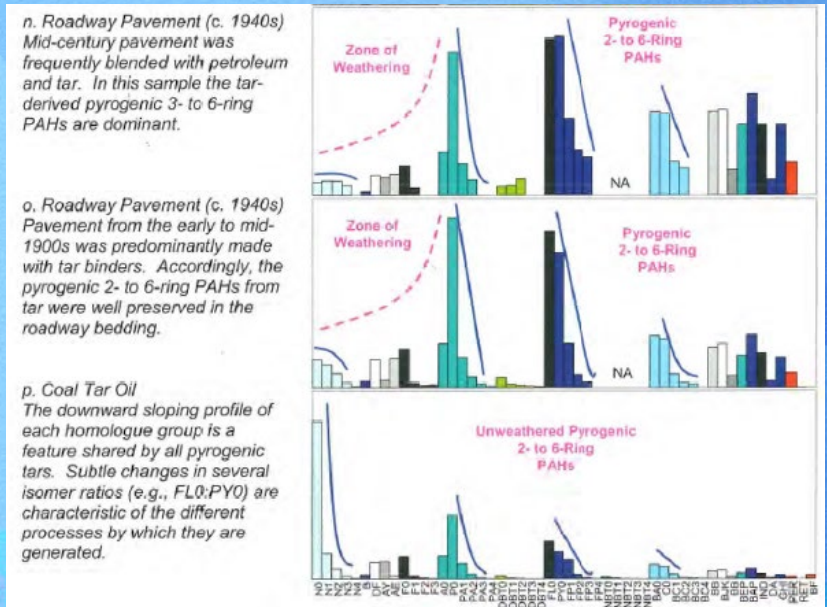
The Case Study – Parent vs Alkylated

Speedway #6450

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MW-4 (4-6)	18.6	0.57	0.48	0.54
R4-4 (4-6)	6.8	0.53	0.54	0.51
R6-1 (4-6)	1.1	0.55	0.51	0.46
SB-E (4-6)	1.0	0.54	0.44	0.45
R5-1 (4-6)	0.88	0.59	0.44	0.49
SB-N (4-6)	0.80	0.51	0.46	0.45
R4-3 (4-6)	0.77	NA	NA	0.40
R6-3 (4-6)	0.70	0.52	0.50	0.47
SB-D (4-6)	0.70	0.57	0.47	0.44
CSB-8 (4-6)	0.65	0.60	0.42	0.52
SB-B (4-6)	0.60	0.54	0.51	0.44
R5-7 (4-6)	0.59	0.56	0.42	0.48
R6-2 (4-6)	0.40	0.50	0.48	0.45
SB-A (4-6)	0.40	0.58	0.46	0.45
SB-F (4-6)	0.40	0.57	0.47	0.44
R4-9 (4-6)	0.32	0.51	0.45	0.52
R5-3R (4-6)	0.30	0.53	0.42	0.40
R4-10 (4-6)	0.28	0.51	0.41	0.45
R5-3 (4-6)	0.21	0.51	0.33	0.46
SB-P (4-6)	0.20	0.44	0.48	0.38
SM-MW4-F (4-6)	0.15	0.57	0.42	0.52
R4-11 (4-6)	0.15	0.52	0.41	0.49
Petrogenic	--	<0.4	<0.2	<0.2
Pyrogenic	--	>0.4	>0.2	>0.2

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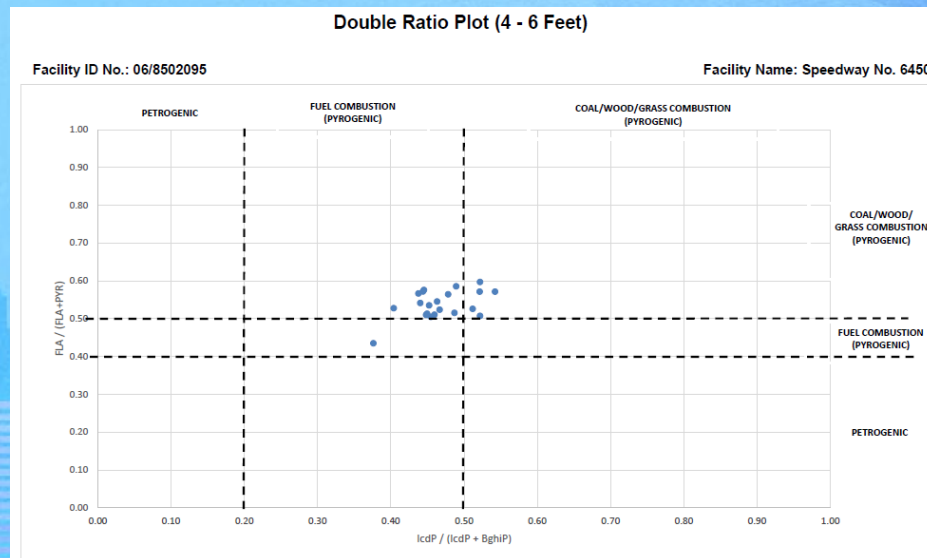
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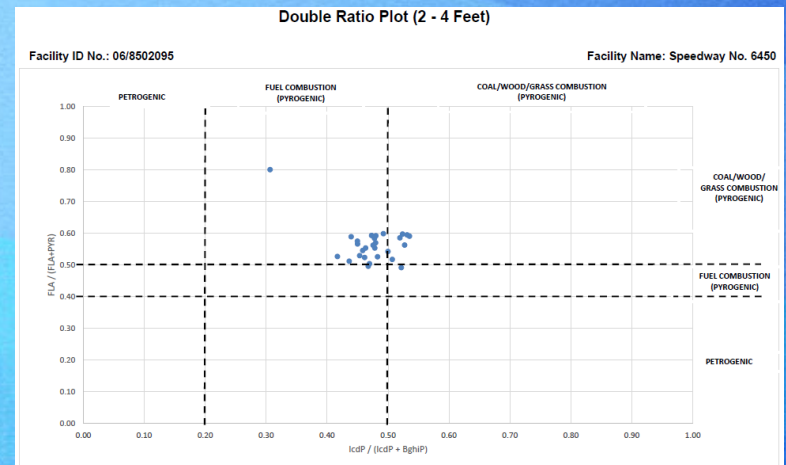
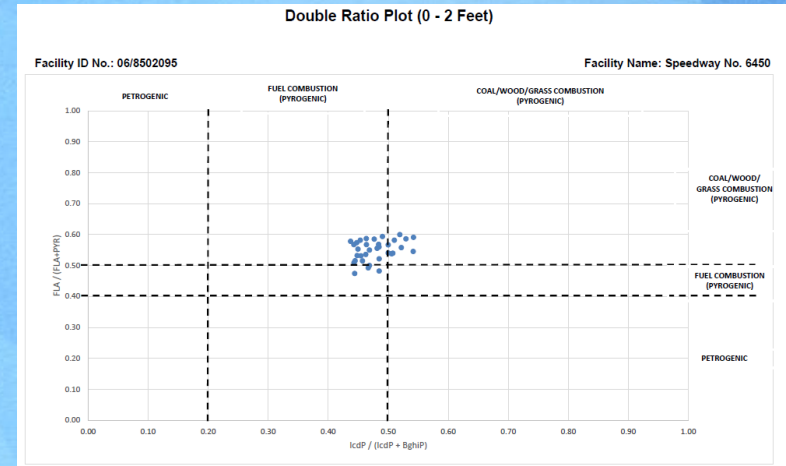
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- The ATC completed the evaluation of data.
- The ATC has stated that in their professional opinion the PAHs are not related to the release.
- The ATC recommends No Further Action (NFA).



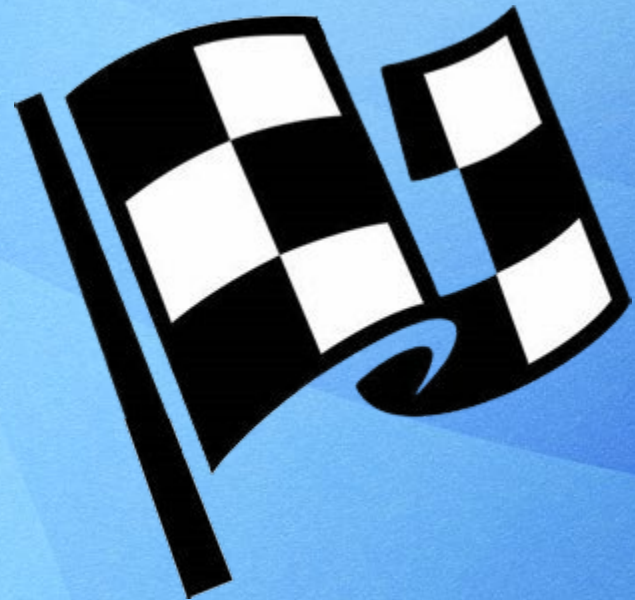
- The Local Program agrees with the ATC's conclusions.
- The Local Program creates a memo to PRP with their agreement attaching necessary backup data such as tables and maps.



- PRP reviews the memo from the Local Program and the supporting information and if they concur, issues a response to the Local Program.
- The Local Program reviews the response from the PRP.
- SRCO Order is prepared by Local Program for issue by PRP.

What Did We Learn?

- Basics of differences between Petrogenic and Pyrogenic PAHs.
- What tools the 2020 Forensic Study used to determine the origin of PAH impacts.
- How to use those tools.



What Did We Learn?

- The example of the Speedway #6450 Case Study showing how the tools were used.
- How to obtain a SRCO when the conclusion is the impacts are not related to the release.



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