

Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory, Hanover, NH

Vapor Intrusion

NHDES Site Visit

December 15, 2011



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TODAY'S AGENDA

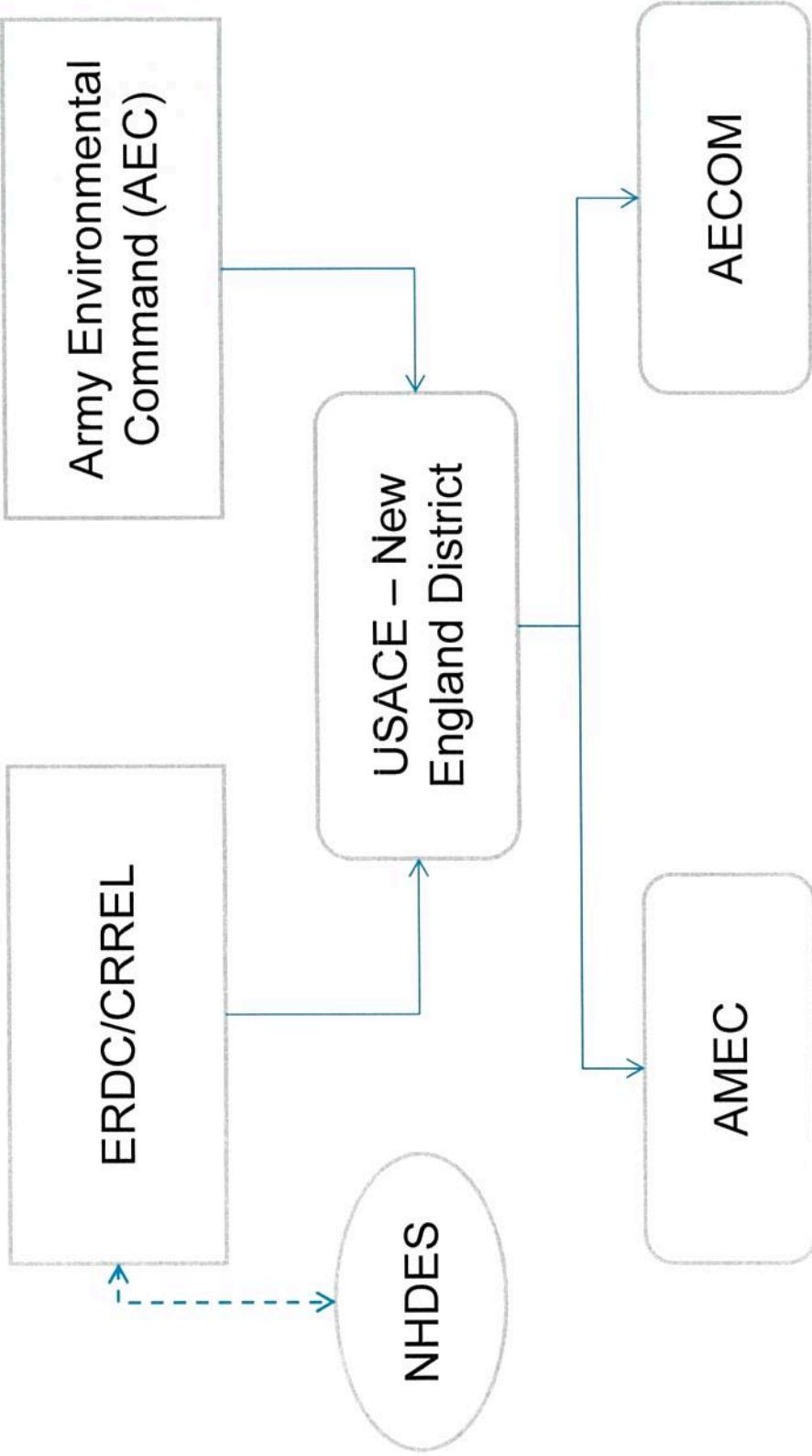
- Progress Regarding Vapor Intrusion - USACE
- Discuss Meeting Goals - NHDES
- Tour Areas of Interest - All
- Discuss Risk Evaluation - USACE



Site Map



Project Team Organization



Vapor Sampling Events

- March & June, 2010
- August 25-28, 2011
- October 2, 2011
- October 23, 2011



Path Forward

► VI Sampling Events

- Winter Round - Jan/Feb
- Summary Report

► Mitigation Measures where necessary

- CDC – SSDS (Installed in Oct)
- TIAC – SSDS piping(Installed Dec)
- Main Lab – Communication testing, GPR survey

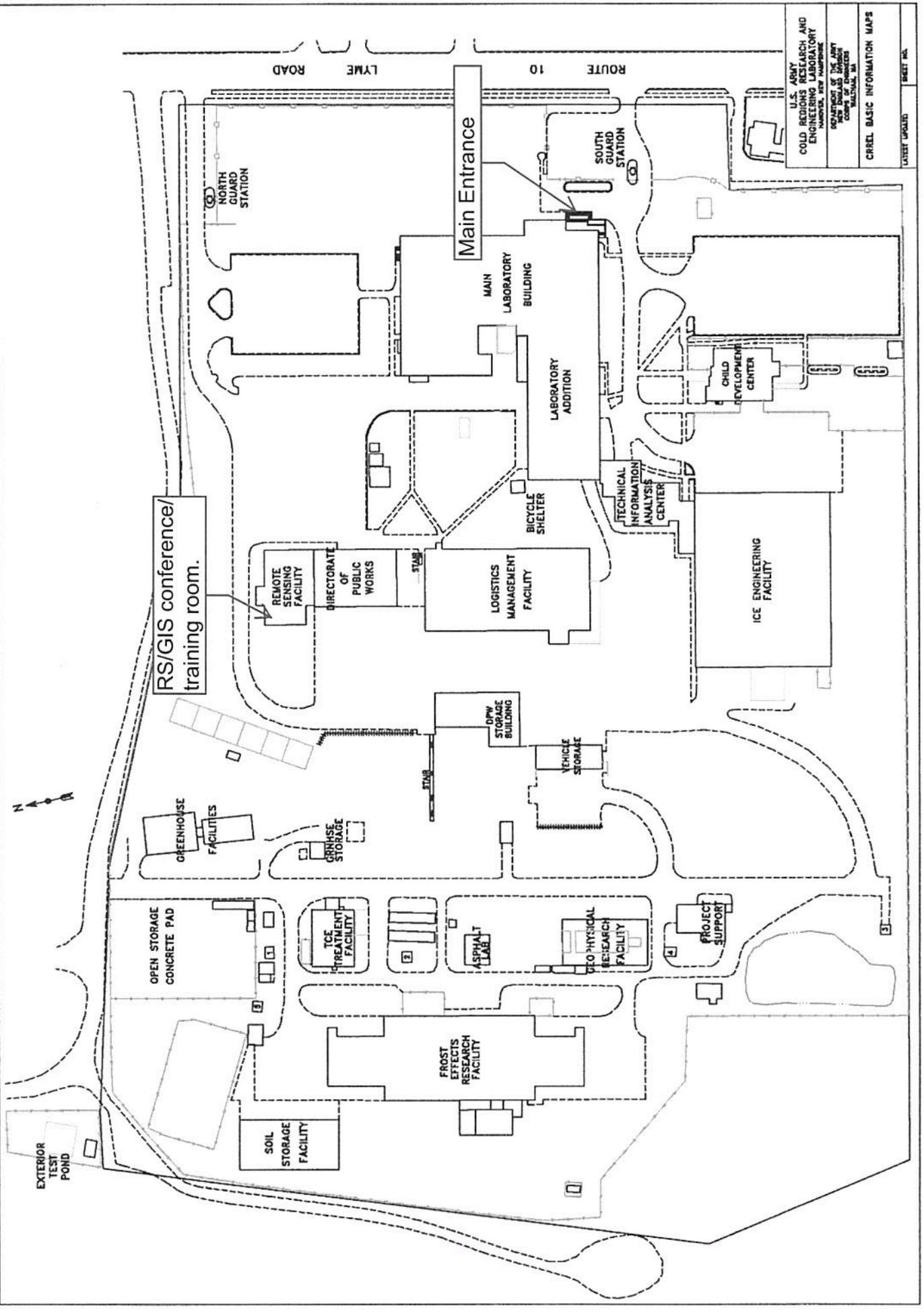


Path Forward (cont)

Supplemental Remedial Investigation

- RI Work Plan (In process)
 - VI Pathway Investigation
- RI Work Plan Implementation
- Remedial Investigation Report
- Feasibility Study Report
- Decision Document(s)
- Remedy Implementation





CRREL BASIC INFORMATION MAPS

LAYER UPDTS SHEET NO.

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Chronology of Vapor Intrusion Efforts at USACE ERDC CRREL Facility, Hanover, NH
November 2, 2011

Introduction

Staff at the Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory (CRREL) in Hanover, NH has been remediating groundwater contaminated with trichloroethylene (TCE) since 1994, performing numerous investigations to characterize TCE contamination in soil and groundwater throughout the CRREL facility since 1991, and testing contaminant source treatment technologies. Per discussions in a draft Focused Feasibility Study (March 18, 2009) developed for CRREL via contract with the TSC Group, CRREL began a vapor intrusion (VI) investigation program. Investigations indicate that indoor air in several buildings has been affected by intrusion of TCE vapors.

VI Efforts to Date

The work associated with these VI investigations to date is as follows:

- March 10, 2010
 - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Baltimore District, contractor, AECOM, submitted a work plan to NHDES for VI investigation at CRREL.
 - NHDES approved the work plan prior to beginning field work
- March 13-14, 2010
 - Conducted winter sampling event
 - Collected sub-slab and indoor air samples from the Main Laboratory, Lab Addition Sub-Basement, and the Logistics Management Facility
- June 12-13, 2010
 - Conducted summer sampling event
 - Same locations as winter event - collected sub-slab and indoor air samples from the Main Laboratory, Lab Addition Sub-Basement, and the Logistics Management Facility
- August 11, 2010
 - CRREL held a meeting with employees to inform them of VI sampling findings from the previous winter and summer sampling events
- April 11, 2011
 - CRREL and U.S. Army Environmental Command (AEC) met with NHDES to discuss status of the project
- April 12-13, 2011
 - CRREL, USACE, New England District (NAE), and AEC held project planning meeting.
 - Decided to expand VI sampling to include additional buildings
- April 29, 2011
 - NAE submitted 2010 VI Data Report to NHDES
- June 2, 2011
 - NHDES provided comments on data report
- August 10, 2011
 - NAE submitted work plan for expanded summer and winter sampling effort to NHDES
- August 15, 2011
 - NHDES provided preliminary comments on work plan
 - Requested additional indoor air sampling in CDC

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- Requested identification of background vapor sources within buildings
 - Requested leak testing on sub-slab sampling points to ensure no short-circuiting
- August 22, 2011
 - NAE provided responses to comments to NHDES
 - Responses indicated concurrence and offered to make clarifications in the plan
- August 25-28, 2011
 - Performed expanded indoor air and sub-slab sampling effort in nine buildings:
 - Main Lab Building
 - Lab Addition Sub-Basement
 - TIAC Building
 - Ice Engineering
 - Logistics Management Building
 - DPW Building
 - Remote Sensing
 - Groundwater Treatment Facility Building
 - Child Development Center (CDC) Building
 - Criteria for building selection included proximity (within 100-ft vertically or laterally) to potential TCE vapor source (soil or groundwater) as well as proximity to utility trenches that may have been impacted by Areas of Concern (AOCs).
 - Also performed near slab subsurface vapor sampling outside the Laboratory Addition.
- September 21, 2011
 - NAE and CRREL received preliminary data from August sampling
- September 26, 2011
 - NAE verbally notified NHDES of preliminary data
- September 29, 2011
 - NAE forwarded preliminary data via email to NHDES. Email also outlined the following:
 - Immediate plans to install interim sub-slab depressurization system (SSDS) in CDC
 - Initial plans for employee and CDC family communication
 - Plans for re-sampling the CDC
 - NAE and NHDES (Scott Hilton) discussed the immediate path forward via phone.
 - Increased HVAC fresh air exchanges in CDC and Main Laboratory
- September 30, 2011
 - NAE and CRREL conferred with NHDES via teleconference, immediately following NHDES telephone request for discussion.
 - Completed installation of interim SSDS in CDC. Subsequently, vacuum and flow rates have been monitored daily.
- October 2, 2011

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- Performed confirmatory re-sampling of CDC sub-slab and CDC indoor air, as well as sampling of outdoor background ambient air.
 - CDC HVAC system set at maximum air exchanges
 - CDC interim SSDS active
- Sampled SSDS discharge, pre- and post- vapor phase granular activated carbon (VGAC)
 - Uncontrolled mass emissions from the SSDS are substantially less than de minimis emission levels as specified in Env-A 1400, and therefore, typically would not require a permit
 - Regardless, as an added safety measure, vapors are currently being treated with VGAC
 - Should SSDS vapor TCE concentrations decline, removal of VGAC will be considered
 - Discharge from VGAC is non-detect for TCE
 - Plan being developed for routine monitoring pre and post VGAC
- October 3-4, 2011
 - ERDC/CRREL/NAE/U.S. Army Public Health Command held informative sessions with stakeholders:
 - USACE-ERDC-CRREL leadership
 - CDC Employees
 - USACE-ERDC-CRREL workers
 - CDC Patrons
- October 4, 2011
 - Performed risk calculations in accordance with new USEPA guidance using maximum detected concentrations from the August 28, 2011 sampling event.
 - Results indicated elevated levels at several occupied indoor locations--- especially in the Main Lab and Laboratory Addition Sub-Basement
 - USEPA updated toxicity value for TCE
 - Recently (September 28, 2011) changed to more stringent values.
 - Includes methods for age-specific evaluations of children and adults.
 - Preliminary remediation goal calculated by NAE, now undergoing internal review.
- October 6, 2011
 - NAE Risk Assessor conferred with NHDES Risk Assessor, David Gordon, and the Environmental Health Program Section Leader, Dennis Pinski, via teleconference.

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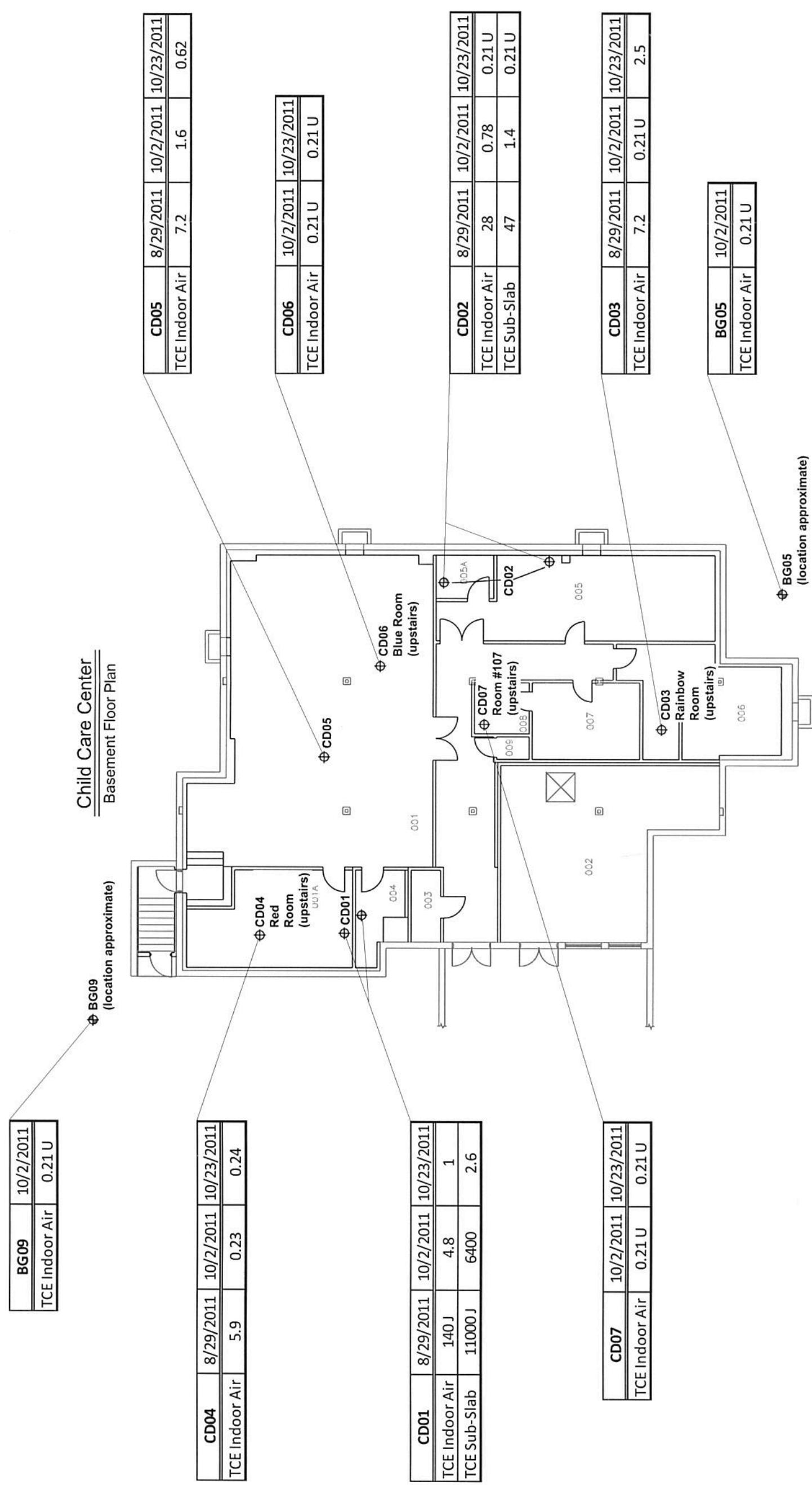
- Call convened based on request of CRREL.
- Purpose was to compare risk analyses prepared internally by NAE to those prepared internally by NHDES.
- October 11, 2011
 - NAE and CRREL received preliminary data from October 2, 2011 sampling event at CDC.
- October 23, 2011
 - Re-sampled indoor air in CDC, Main Lab, Lab Addition Sub-Basement, LMO, and DPW
 - Installed new sub-slab ports in four new locations in Main lab
 - Sampled new sub-slab ports and associated indoor air locations
 - Re-sampled sub-slab and indoor air in TIAC
 - Sampled elevator shaft in Main Lab
 - Ventilation within buildings was set for normal heating.
 - Preliminary data expected week of November 20, 2011

Path Forward

- Additional Sampling
 - Comprehensive winter round of sampling tentatively scheduled for January 2012.
 - Will follow the original August 10, 2011 work plan
 - May include additional locations based on analysis of the results of interim sampling.
- Reporting and Documentation of Sampling and Evaluation Efforts
 - Comprehensive report planned after results are obtained from winter sampling round.
 - Sample data compilation started, with updates as new data are received.
 - Will be shared with stakeholders (e.g., NHDES)
 - Information in report will include:
 - All available VI sample data.
 - Comparison of VI sample results from each round.
 - Comparison of VI sample results to site-specific screening criteria.
 - Human health risk estimates with available data and appropriate toxicity values.
 - Determination of need to remediate.
 - Near-term priorities for remedies accounting for activities in various spaces
 - Preliminary remediation goals.
 - Operational data of any preliminary mitigation systems

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- Issues and efforts that may impact Vapor Intrusion Mitigation Measures
 - CDC
 - Continued evaluation of sub-slab depressurization system installed September 30, 2011.
 - Anticipated refurbishment of first floor for child gross motor skill development area.
 - TIAC
 - Anticipated refurbishment of basement for office space.
 - Main Lab
 - Existence of office spaces
 - Anticipated asbestos remediation
 - Iterative approach required
 - Evaluate vapor pathways into and within each building
 - Once pathways are better understood, evaluate alternative interim measures to reduce or eliminate VI pathway
 - Recommend alternatives, and implement
- Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS)
 - The vapor intrusion study is intended to support a facility-wide Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study. Tentative schedule includes:
 - Late Fall/Early Winter 2011 - Data Evaluation and Gaps Analysis performed.
 - To include identification and evaluation of potential preferential pathways and potential for offsite contaminant migration (e.g., groundwater, vapor)
 - Spring/Summer 2012 - Implementation of field effort for filling soil, groundwater, and/or vapor data gaps (if required).
 - Winter 2013 – Complete Remedial Investigation Report.
 - Summer 2013 – Complete Feasibility Study.
 - Winter 2014 – Complete Proposed Plan and Decision Document.



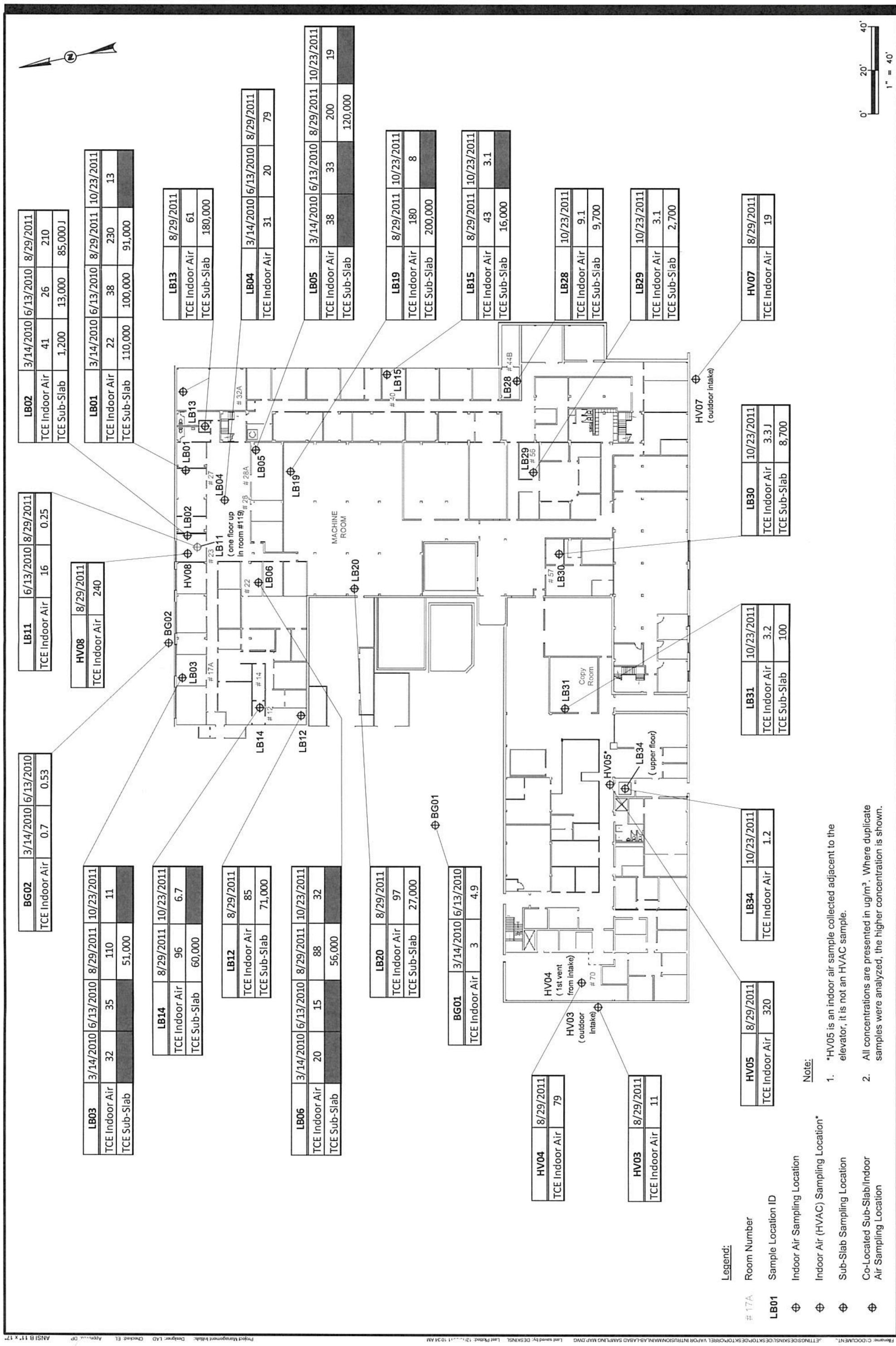
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CD01	Sample Location ID
♦	Background Sample Location
♦	Indoor Air Sampling Location
♦	Sub-Slab Sampling Location

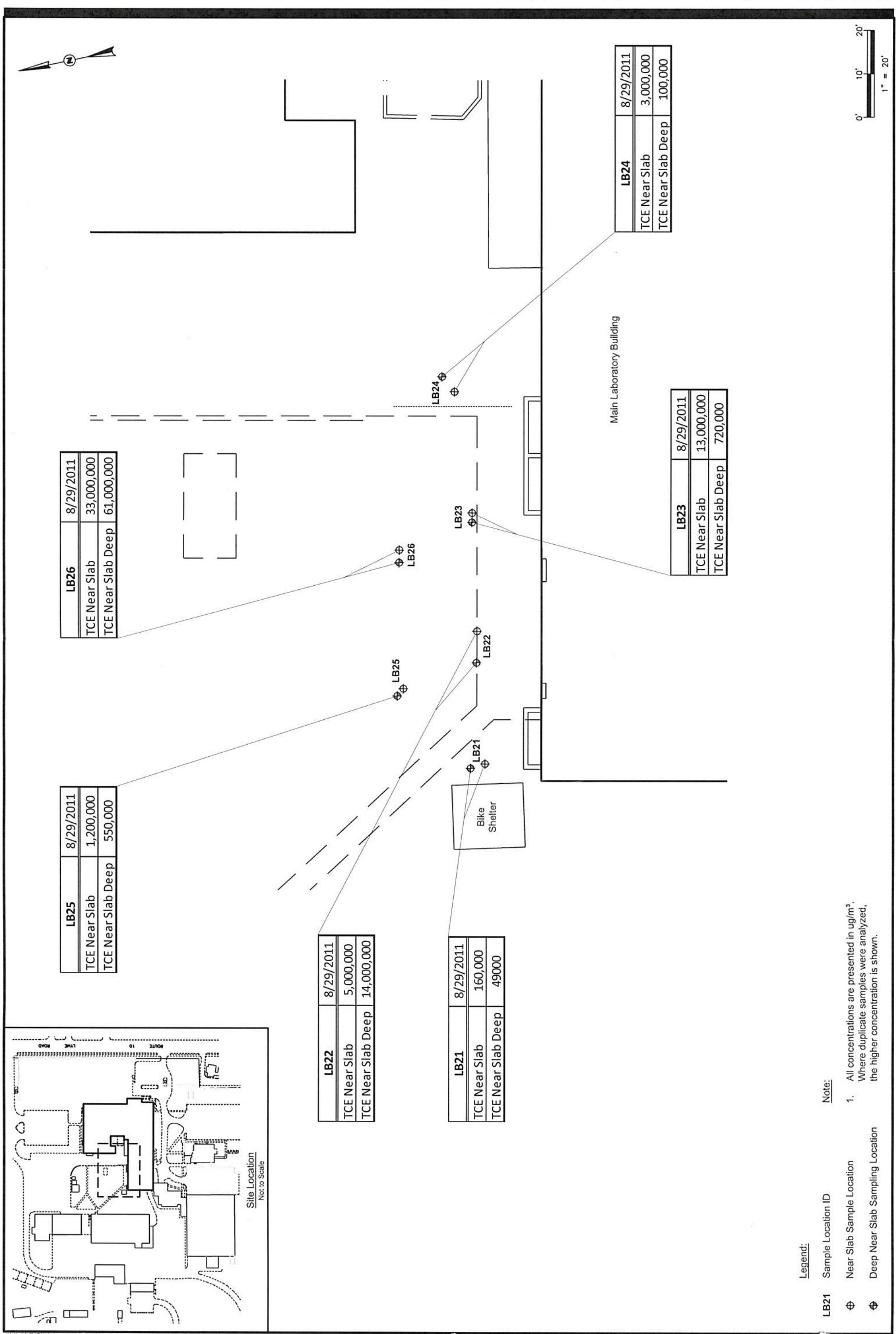
0' 75' 15'
1" = 15'

CRREL - Hanover, New Hampshire

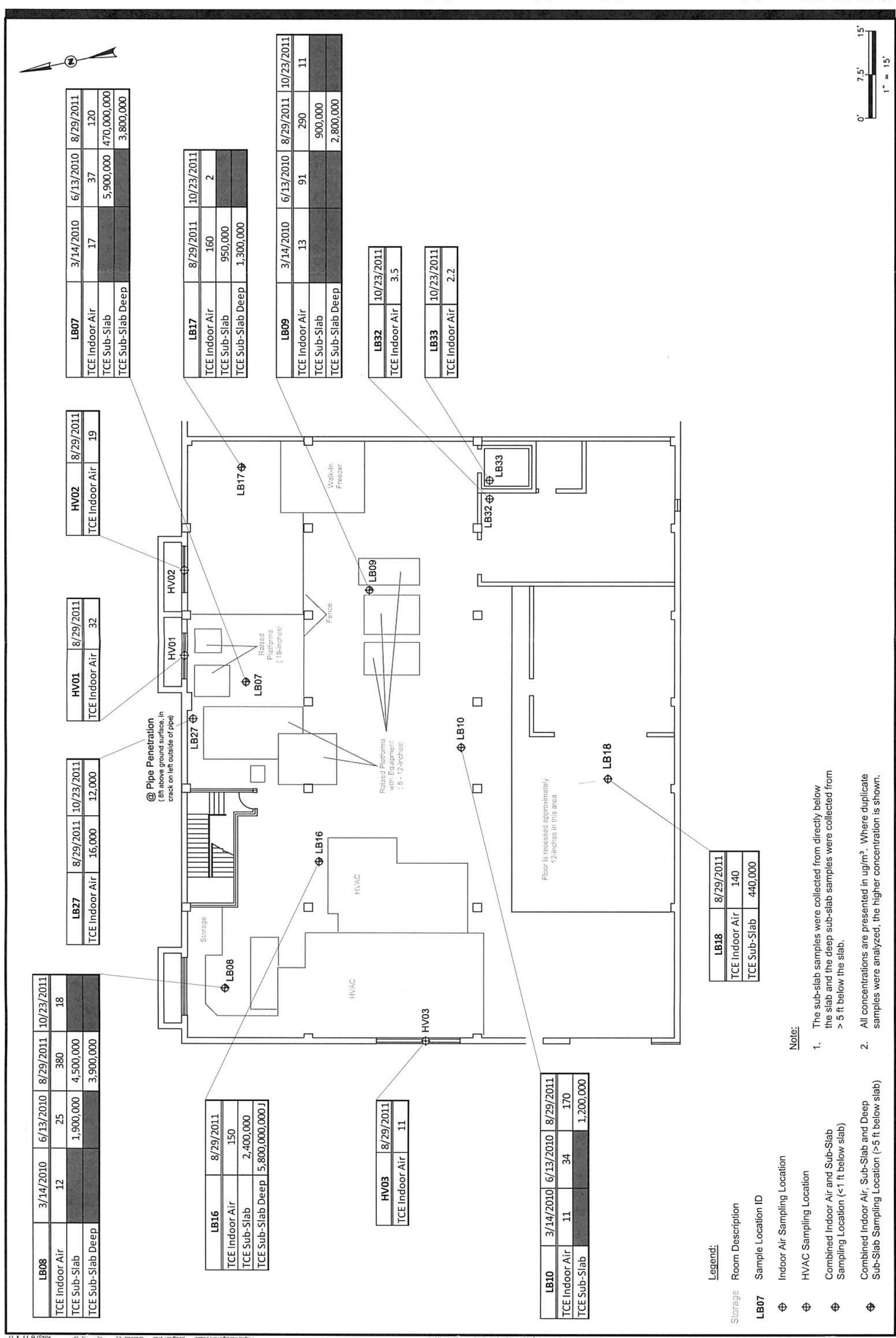
Figure 1 - Sample Locations

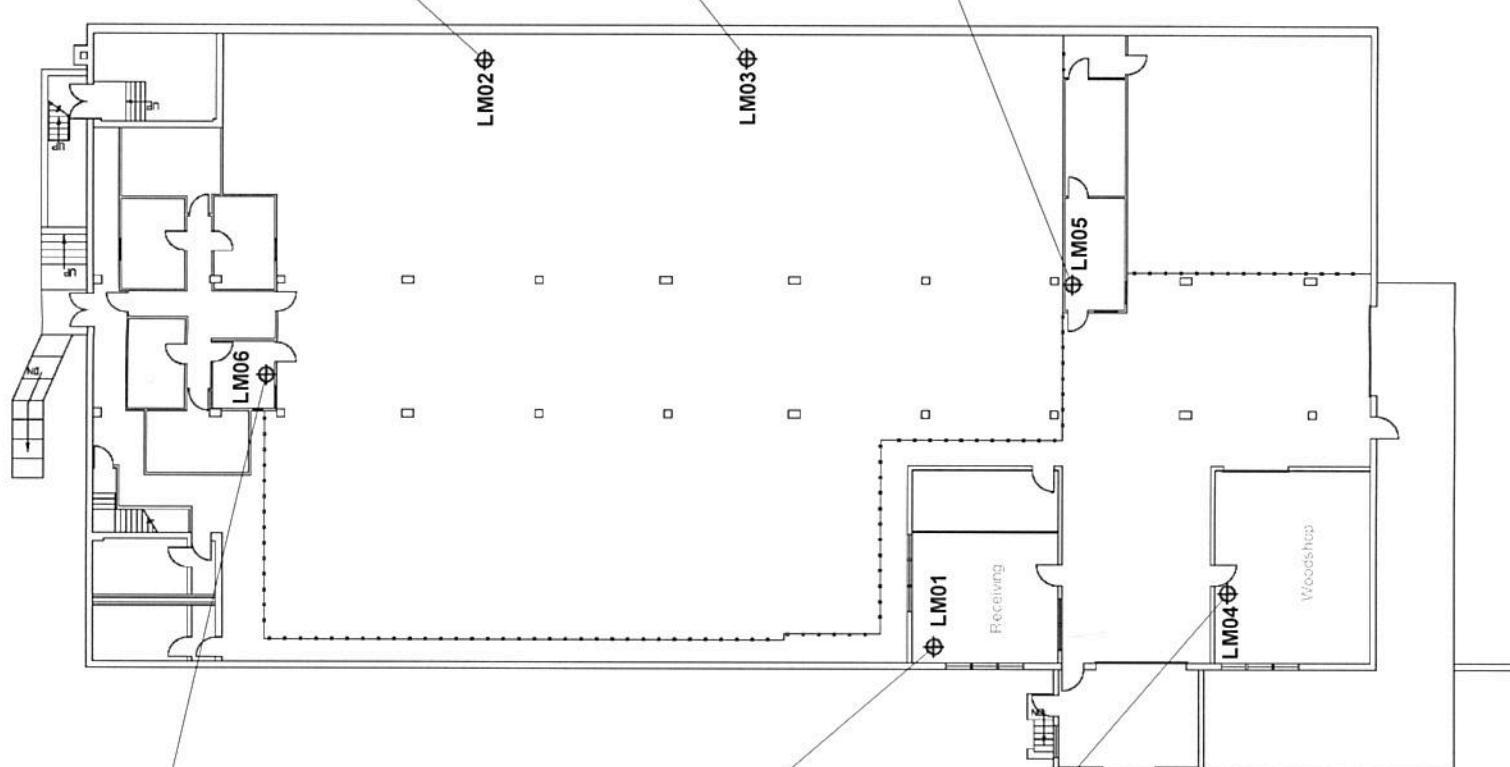


0' 10' 20'
1" = 20'



CRREL - Hanover, New Hampshire



Logistics Management FacilityBasement Floor Plan

LM06	8/29/2011	10/23/2011
TCE Indoor Air	6.9	2.4
TCE Sub-Slab	290	

LM02	3/14/2010	6/13/2010	6/13/2010	6/13/2010
TCE Indoor Air	6.4		2.6	
TCE Sub-Slab	26		50	

LM01	3/14/2010	6/13/2010	8/29/2011	8/29/2011
TCE Indoor Air	18	9.1	22	
TCE Sub-Slab	910	2,800	8,400	

LM03	3/14/2010	6/13/2010	6/13/2010	8/29/2011
TCE Indoor Air	6.4		2.7	16
TCE Sub-Slab	19		18	89

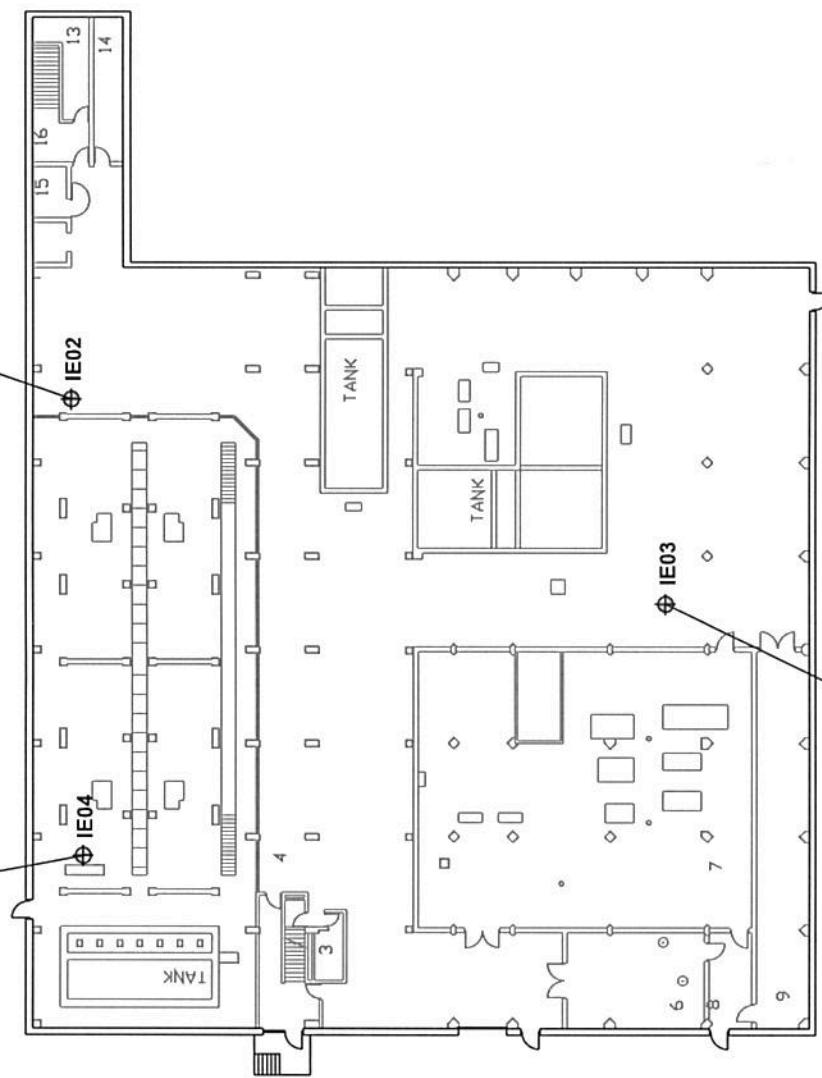
LM04	3/14/2010	6/13/2010	8/29/2011	10/23/2011
TCE Indoor Air	6.4	3.9	14	3.2
TCE Sub-Slab			4,400	

Legend:
LM01 Sample Location ID
Co-Located Sub-Slab/Indoor Air
Sampling Location
◆ Note:
1. All concentrations are presented in ug/m³.
Where duplicate samples were analyzed,
the higher concentration is shown.



Ice Engineering Facility

IE01	10/23/2011
TCE Indoor Air	2.7
TCE Sub-Slab	35

Ground Floor Plan

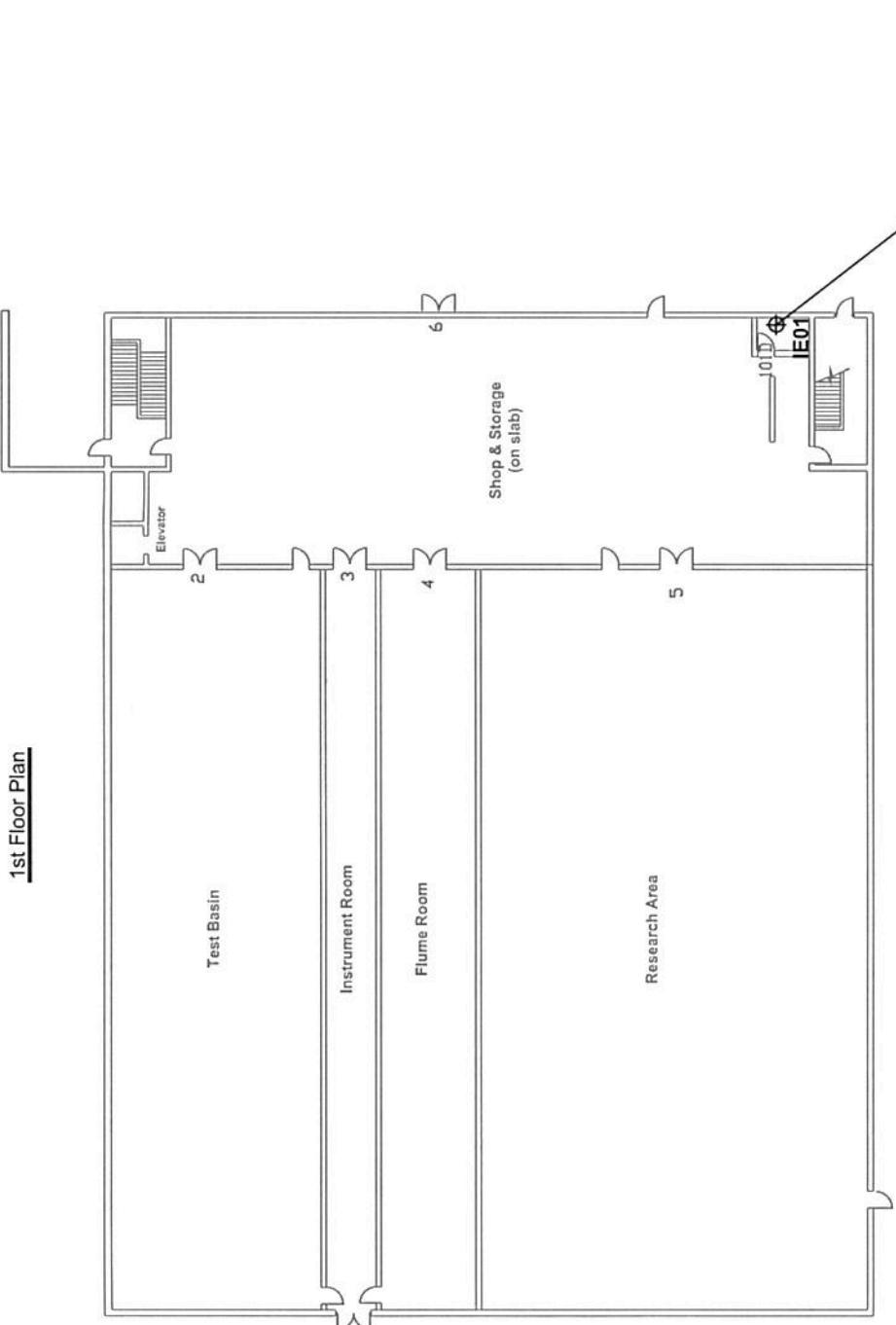
IE03	8/29/2011
TCE Indoor Air	0.46
TCE Sub-Slab	14

Legend:

- 9 Room Number
- 10 Sample Location ID
- Co-Located Sub-Slab/Indoor Air
- Sampling Location

Note:

1. Shop and Storage on 1st floor is located on the slab.
2. All concentrations are presented in ug/m³. Where duplicate samples were analyzed, the higher concentration is shown.

1st Floor Plan

IE04	8/29/2011
TCE Indoor Air	1.7
TCE Sub-Slab	760

0' = 20'
0' = 40'

ANSI B11.1 x 17"

Technical Information Analysis Center

Ground Floor Plan



ANSI A 8.5" x 11"

Approved:

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Design: LAD

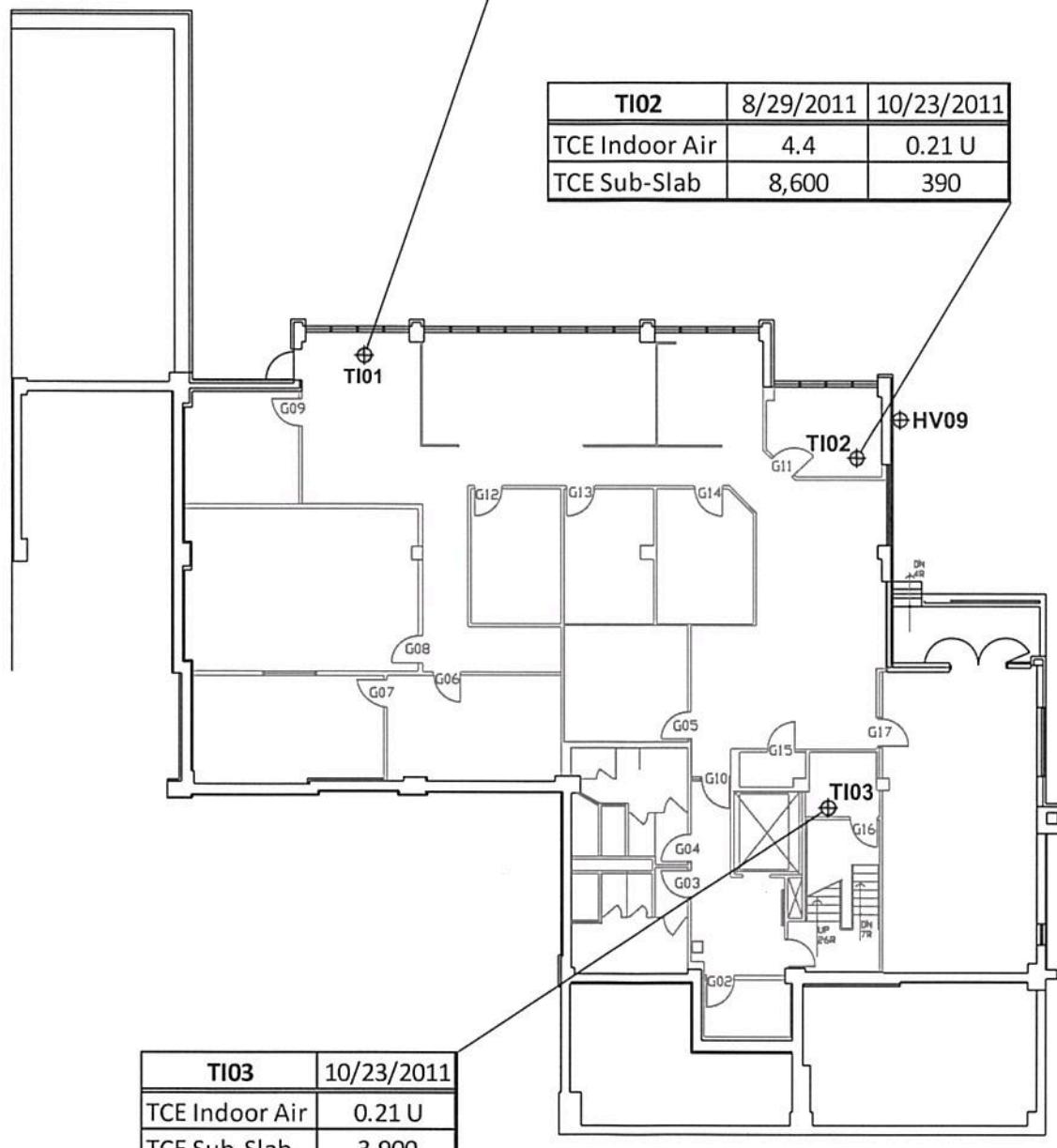
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TI01	8/29/2011	10/23/2011
TCE Indoor Air	4	0.21 U
TCE Sub-Slab	110 U	54 U

TI02	8/29/2011	10/23/2011
TCE Indoor Air	4.4	0.21 U
TCE Sub-Slab	8,600	390

Legend:

G16 Room Number

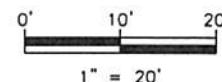
TI01 Sample Location ID

⊕ Co-Located Sub-Slab/Indoor Air Sampling Location

⊕ HVAC Sampling Location

Note:

- All concentrations are presented in ug/m³. Where duplicate samples were analyzed, the higher concentration is shown.



CRREL - Hanover, New Hampshire
Technical Information Analysis Center (TIAC)
Figure 1 - Sample Locations

AECOM

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Directorate of Public Works (DPW)
Figure 1 - Sample Locations

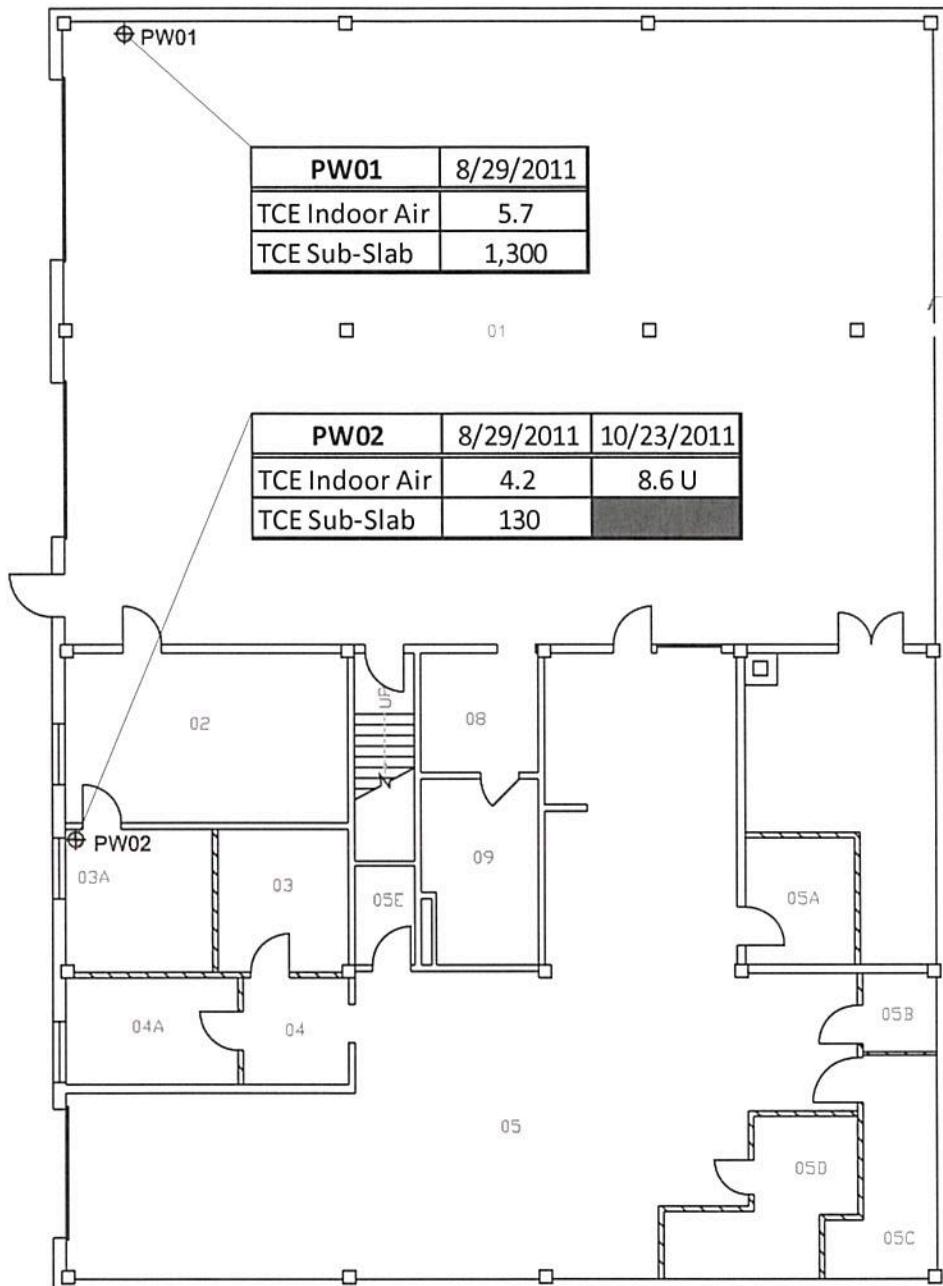
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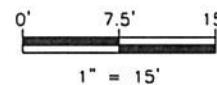
05 Room Number

PW01 Sample Location ID

⊕ Co-Located Sub-Slab/Indoor Air Sampling Location

Note:

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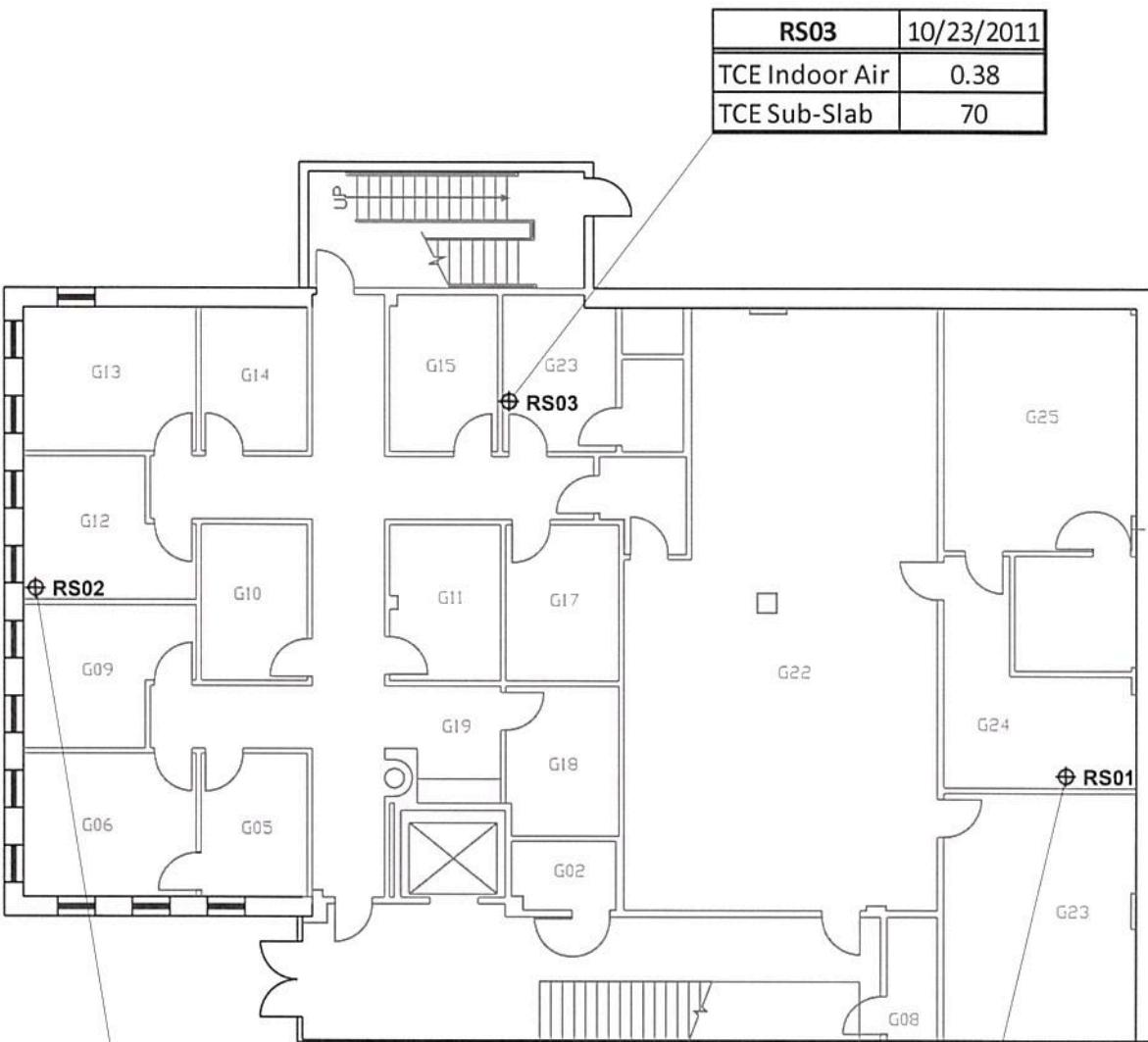


CRREL - Hanover, New Hampshire

Remote Sensing Facility (RS)

Figure 1 - Sample Locations

Remote Sensing Building
Ground Floor Plan



RS03	10/23/2011
TCE Indoor Air	0.38
TCE Sub-Slab	70

RS02	8/29/2011
TCE Indoor Air	1.5
TCE Sub-Slab	86

RS01	8/29/2011
TCE Indoor Air	0.32
TCE Sub-Slab	5.1

Legend:

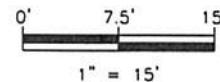
G22 Room Number

RS01 Sample Location ID

⊕ Co-Located Sub-Slab/Indoor Air Sampling Location

Note:

1. All concentrations are presented in ug/m³. Where duplicate samples were analyzed, the higher concentration is shown.



Action Levels for Chronic Exposures to TCE Vapor

Parameter	Receptor	Ages (yrs)	IUR (mg/m ³) ⁻¹	ED	RfC (mg/m ³)	Target Hazard Quotient	Target Cancer Risk	AT _{NC} (days)	AT _{CA} (days)	ET (hr/day)	CF (days/24 hrs)	EF (days/yr)	PRG		Cancer Risk = 1 × 10 ⁻⁶	
													Noncancer HQ = 1	Cancer HQ = 1		
Trichloroethene	Child Daycare	0<2	1.3E-02	2	2.00E-03	1	1E-06	2,190	25,550	10	0.0417	250	0.0070	7.0	0.00485	4.8
		2<6	6.1E-03	4												
	Adult Worker	16-70	4.1E-03	25	2.00E-03	1	1E-06	9,125	25,550	8	0.0417	250	0.0088	8.8	0.0030	3.0
	Resident	0<2	1.3E-02	2	2.00E-03	1	1E-06	10,950	25,550	24	0.0417	350	0.0021	2.1	0.00043	0.43
		2<6	6.1E-03	4												
		6<16	6.1E-03	10												
		16-70	4.1E-03	14												

AT_{nc} - Averaging time for noncancer effects

AT_{ca} -Averaging time for cancer effects

ET - Exposure time

CF - Conversion factor

EF - Exposure frequency

ED - Exposure duration

RfC - Reference concentration for noncancer effects

IUR - Inhalation unit risk for cancer effects

Derivation of IUR Protective of Sensitive Life Stages

Parameter	Receptor	Ages (yrs)	Kidney			NHL+Liver		Kidney+NHL+Liver	
			IURU (mg/m ³) ⁻¹	ADAF	IURA (mg/m ³) ⁻¹	IURU (mg/m ³) ⁻¹	IURA (mg/m ³) ⁻¹	IURA (mg/m ³) ⁻¹	IURA (mg/m ³) ⁻¹
Trichloroethene	Child Daycare	0<2	1.0E-03	10	1.0E-02	3.1E-03	4.1E-03	4.1E-03	1.3E-02
		2<6	1.0E-03	3	3.0E-03	3.1E-03	4.1E-03	4.1E-03	6.1E-03
	Adult Worker	16-70	1.0E-03	1	1.0E-03	3.1E-03	4.1E-03	4.1E-03	4.1E-03
	Resident	0<2	1.0E-03	10	1.0E-02	3.1E-03	4.1E-03	4.1E-03	1.3E-02
		2<6	1.0E-03	3	3.0E-03	3.1E-03	4.1E-03	4.1E-03	6.1E-03
		6<16	1.0E-03	3	3.0E-03	3.1E-03	4.1E-03	4.1E-03	6.1E-03
		16-70	1.0E-03	1	1.0E-03	3.1E-03	4.1E-03	4.1E-03	4.1E-03

IUR - Inhalation unit risk for cancer effects

IUR_{Kidney} is from (p 5-137 [5.2.2.1.4]); unadjusted with no ADAFs.

IURA_{Kidney} is adjusted with ADAFs.

IUR_{Kidney+NHL+Liver} is from (p 5-139 [5.2.2.2]); unadjusted with no ADAFs.

IUR_{NHL+Liver} = IUR_{Kidney+NHL+Liver} - IUR_{Kidney}

IURA_{Kidney+NHL+Liver} is from (p 5-139 [5.2.2.2]); adjusted with ADAFs for only kidney effects.

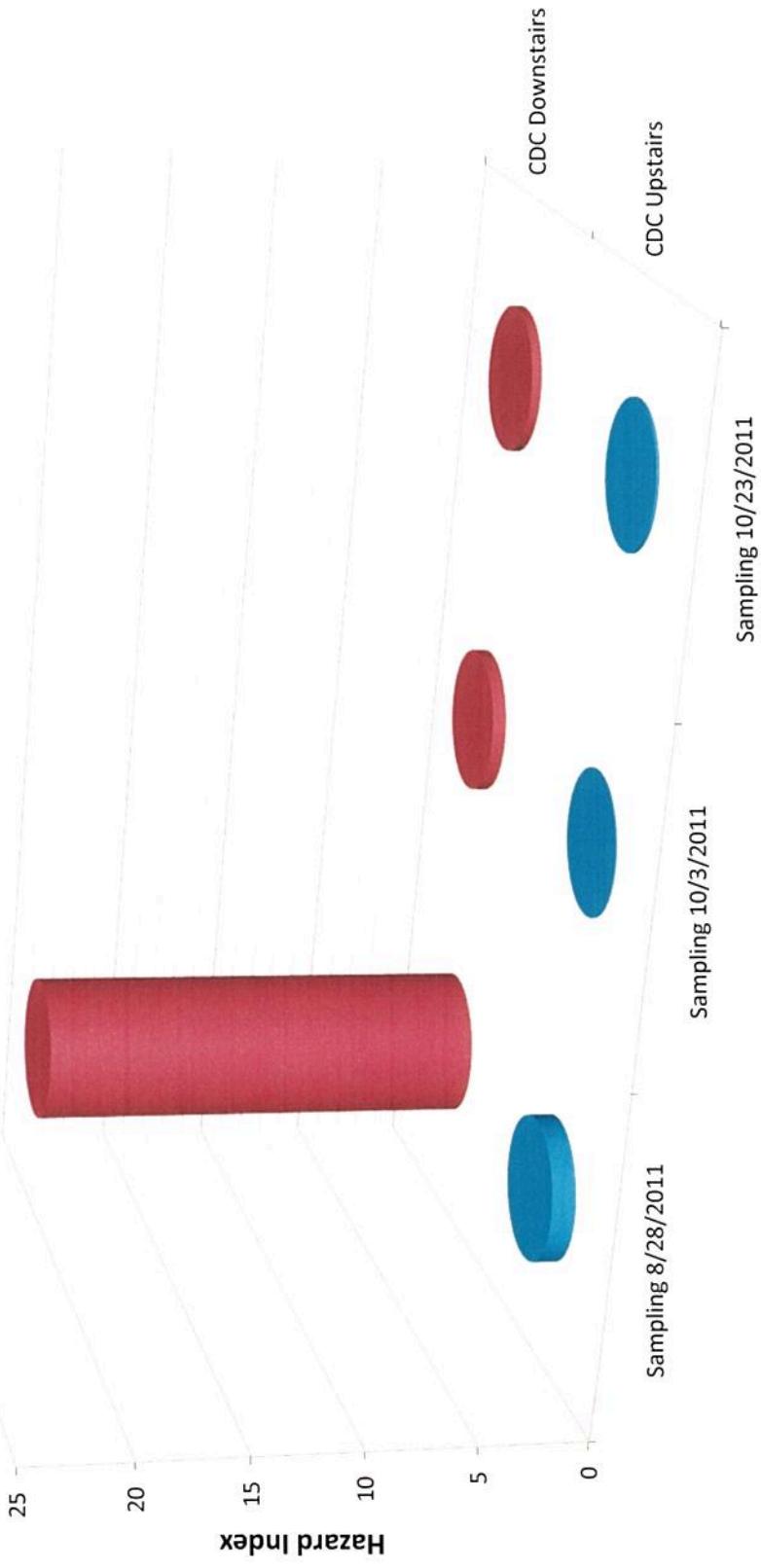
PRG - Preliminary remediation goal

HQ - Hazard quotient for noncancer effects

Steps in the derivation

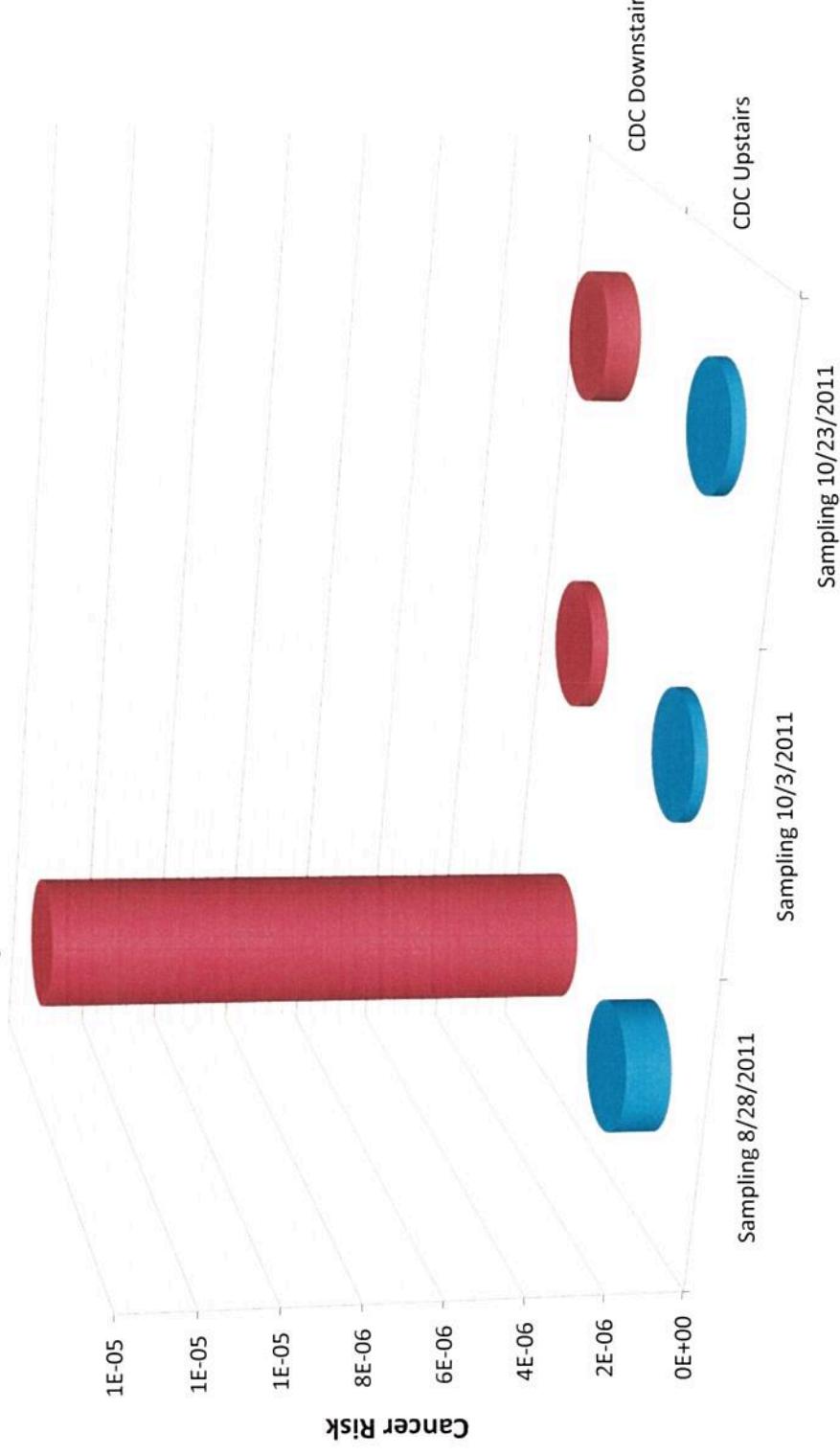
- Start with IURU for all three effects
- Subtract out IURU for kidney effects
- Adjust IURU for kidney effects with ADAFs
- Add adjusted IURA for kidney to unadjusted IURU for NHL and liver effects
- Result is specific IURs for each ADAF age group

Child's Hazard Index at CDC (All COPC at Max EPC per Event)



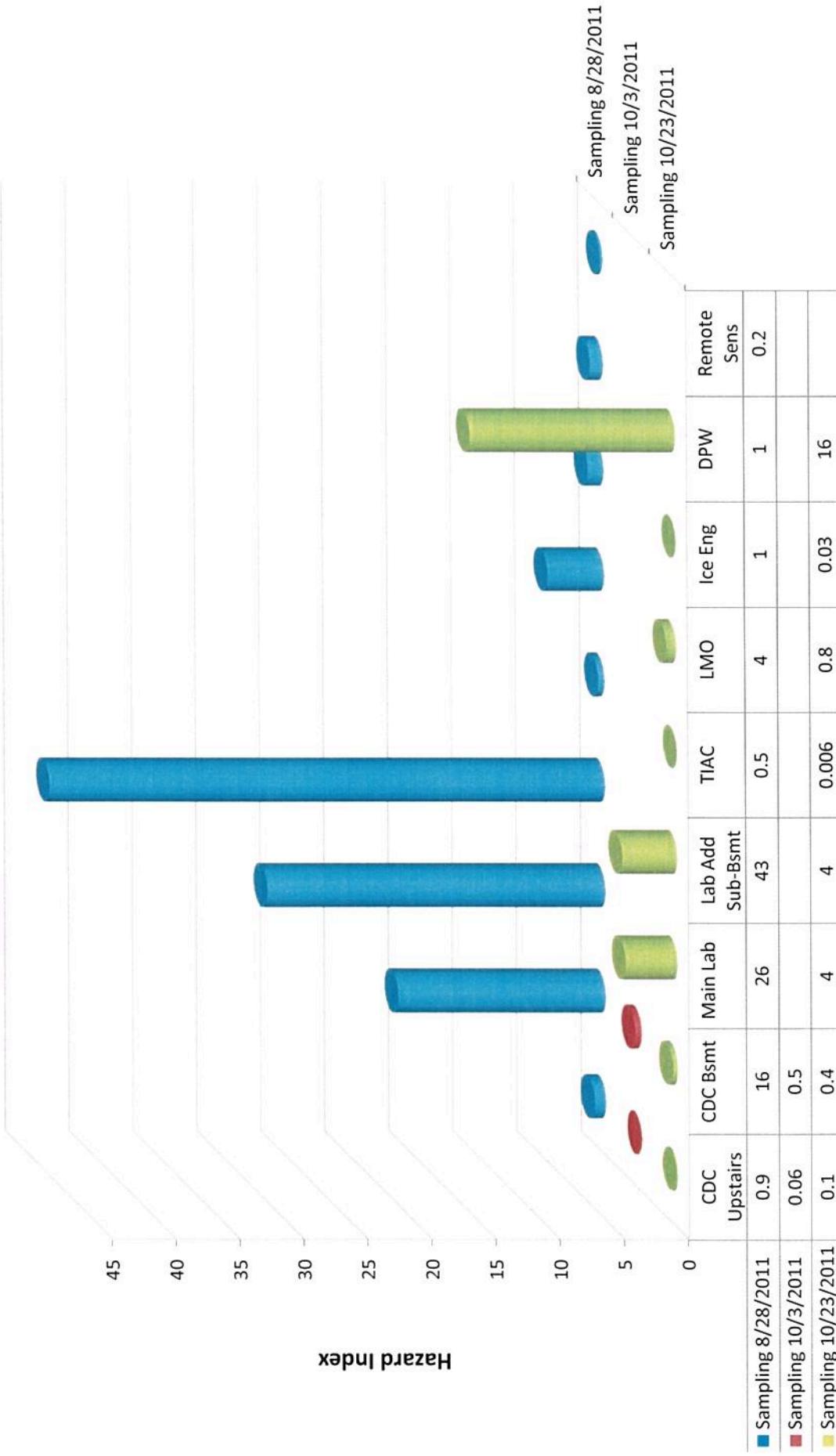
	Sampling 8/28/2011	Sampling 10/3/2011	Sampling 10/23/2011
CDC Upstairs	1	0.07	0.2
CDC Downstairs	20	0.6	0.5

Child's Cancer Risk at CDC (All COPC at Max EPC per Event)

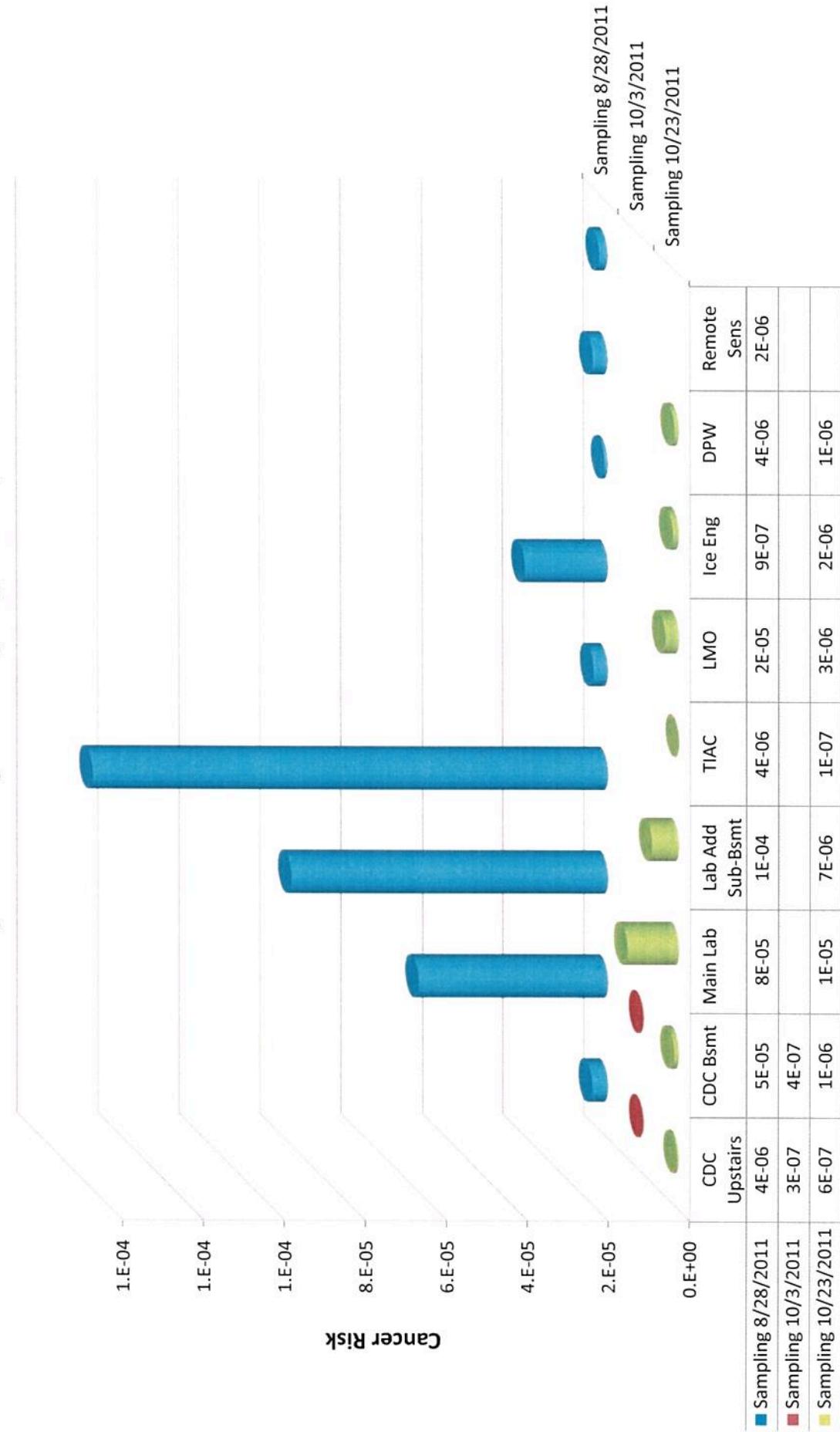


	Sampling 8/28/2011	Sampling 10/3/2011	Sampling 10/23/2011
CDC Upstairs	1E-06	4E-07	4E-07
CDC Downstairs	1E-05	4E-07	9E-07

Adult Worker Hazard Index (Max EPC per Sampling Event)



Adult Worker Cancer Risk (Max EPC per Sampling Event)



Notes: Excluded soil wall sample for lab addition sub-basement.

DPW hazards are primarily due to fuel vapors (trimethylbenzenes).

No TCE 23OCT2011 at DPW, Ice Engineering, and TIAC subsequent to detections 28AUG2011.

Summary of Risk Estimates for Vapor Intrusion Based on Maximum Detected Concentrations at Several CRREL Campus Locations

Location	Receptor												Cancer Risk	
	Child at Daycare				Adult Worker									
	Hazard Index		Cancer Risk		Hazard Index		Cancer Risk		Sampling		Sampling			
Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	Sampling	
8/28/2011	10/3/2011	10/23/2011	8/28/2011	10/3/2011	8/28/2011	10/3/2011	8/28/2011	10/3/2011	8/28/2011	10/23/2011	8/28/2011	10/3/2011	10/23/2011	
CDC Upstairs	1	0.07	0.2	1E-06	4E-07	4E-07	0.9	0.06	0.1	4E-06	3E-07	6E-07		
CDC Downstairs	20	0.6	0.5	1E-05	4E-07	9E-07	16	0.5	0.4	5E-05	4E-07	1E-06		
Main Lab	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	26		4	8E-05		1E-05		
Lab Add Sub-Bsmnt	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	43		4	1E-04		7E-06		
TIAC	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	0.5		0.006	4E-06		1E-07		
LMO	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	4		0.8	2E-05		3E-06		
Ice Eng	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	1		0.03	9E-07		2E-06		
DPW	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	1		16	4E-06		1E-06		
Remote Sens	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	NE	0.2		2E-06					

All detected analytes are included at maximum detection anywhere for the noted location and sampling event.

Excluded soil wall sample for lab addition sub-basement.

No TCE 23OCT2011 at DPW, Ice Engineering, and TIAC subsequent to detections 28AUG2011.

NE - No Exposure

Shaded Cell - Not Sampled