

# PANTEX QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

## Remedial Action Progress

### Third Quarter 2022

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#### LIST OF ACRONYMS

μg/L micrograms per literCatOX catalytic oxidationCOC contaminant of concern

CP Compliance Plan
Cr(VI) hexavalent chromium
DCE dichloroethene

DNT4A 4-amino-2,6-dinitrotoluene EVO emulsified vegetable oil

FGZ fine-grained zone

GWPS groundwater protection standard

HE high explosive

ISB *In Situ* bioremediation

ISPM In Situ performance monitoring

lbs Pounds

Mgal million gallons mV millivolts

NAPL non-aqueous phase liquid
ORP oxidation-reduction potential
P1PTS Playa 1 Pump and Treat System

PID photoionization detector ppmv parts per million by volume PQL practical quantitation limit

RDX hexahydro-1,3,5-trinitro-1,3,5-triazine

SAP Sampling and Analysis Plan
Scfm standard cubic feet per minute
SEPTS Southeast Pump and Treat System

SVE soil vapor extraction

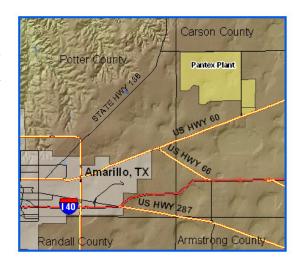
TAC Texas Administrative Code

TCE Trichloroethene

TZM treatment zone monitoring
VOC volatile organic compound
WWTF wastewater treatment facility

#### Introduction

The Pantex Plant, located in the Texas Panhandle 17 miles northeast of Amarillo, has implemented a response action to remediate perched groundwater and soils. Two types of systems have been installed for the groundwater response action: pump and treat systems in two areas and *In Situ* bioremediation (ISB) systems in four areas. A soil vapor extraction (SVE) system has been installed to remediate volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in soils at the Burning Ground area. This quarterly report addresses progress achieved through implementation of the remedial actions for Third Quarter of 2022.



This report provides an intermediate data summary for response action systems throughout the year. More intensive data reporting is included in the annual progress reports. The quarterly progress reports address three of the five evaluations included in the annual progress reports: response action effectiveness, uncertainty management, and early detection. The reports provide required information from Hazardous Waste Permit #50284 CP Table VII and the Pantex Interagency Agreement.

Maps of the plumes, remedial action systems, sampling locations, and system wells are provided in Appendix A. Graphs of operation and flow rates for the pump and treat systems are provided in Appendix B. Graphs of important parameters for the ISB treatment zone and downgradient wells are provided in Appendix C.

#### RESPONSE ACTION EFFECTIVENESS

This quarterly progress report focuses on specific criteria for the pump and treat systems, ISB systems, and a small-scale SVE system. System operation, mass removal, and evaluation of effluent in reference to established operational goals are reported for the pump and treat systems. For the ISB systems, this report evaluates geochemical conditions and availability of food source in the treatment zone and reduction of concentrations of contaminants of concern (COCs) in downgradient performance monitoring wells to evaluate whether the treatment zone is working effectively. System operation, mass removal, and effluent photoionization detector (PID) readings are evaluated for the SVE system.

#### PUMP AND TREAT SYSTEMS

The groundwater remedial action at the Pantex Plant includes two pump and treat systems: Southeast Pump and Treat System (SEPTS) and Playa 1 Pump and Treat System (P1PTS). The pump and treat systems are designed to extract water and remove contaminant mass from the water before the effluent is beneficially used by the wastewater treatment facility (WWTF) and irrigation system, for general Plant needs, or for amendment injections at the ISB systems. The systems were also designed to remove water from the perched aquifer to reduce saturated thickness. This reduction in saturated thickness reduces migration of contaminants both vertically and horizontally so that natural breakdown processes can occur over time. Reducing migration provides protection for the underlying High Plains Aquifer (also known as and referred to herein as the Ogallala Aquifer). SEPTS has the capability to inject the treated water back into the perched

Pump and Treat System Third Quarter 2022 Operation				
Playa 1 Pump and Treat Syste	m (P1PTS)			
Days Operated	0			
% Operation Time	0 %			
Volume Water Treated (Mgal)	0			
HE Mass Removal (lbs)	0			
Beneficial Use of Water	0 %			
Southeast Pump and Treat Syst	em (SEPTS)			
Days Operated	90			
% Operation Time	94 %			
Volume Water Treated (Mgal)	26.9			
HE Mass Removal (lbs)	79.8			
Chromium Mass Removal (lbs)	9.9			
Beneficial Use of Water	13.9 %			
*Value below operational goals				

aquifer when beneficial use is not possible. Operational priorities for the pump and treat systems emphasize beneficial use of water.

The subsurface drip irrigation system filter bank break that occurred in late June 2017 continued to impact operations of SEPTS and P1PTS during the third quarter of 2022. Due to the severity of the break, an engineering evaluation, contracting, and major repairs were required to restore the irrigation system. Repairs to the filter bank were completed in May 2019 and after completion of startup testing and repairs on the communication systems, a portion of the system became operational in March 2022. However, in April 2022, the communication interface on the system failed. System repairs were completed and the system became operationally available in late September 2022. Full operation of the subsurface system is currently hindered by lowered lagoon storage capacity due to ongoing construction of repairs to the WWTF's storage lagoons. During periods the drip irrigation system is unavailable, Pantex continues to release all WWTF water to Playa 1 as approved in the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality wastewater permit (WQ0002296000).

Current and future operations of both pump and treat systems will be impaired by the permitrestricted flow to Playa 1 until the subsurface drip and new center pivot irrigation systems are fully operational. The SEPTS system has operated at a higher capacity using injection, release to Playa 1, and scheduled shutdowns of P1PTS. Pantex planned to run P1PTS one week per quarter in the

2022 calendar year based on technical evaluations of the current overall system requirements at Pantex. However, the system was shut down at the end of April to connect P1PTS to the new center pivot irrigation system east of FM 2373 and was not operated during the third quarter. The work is expected to complete by the end of 2022.

Reduction of operational time at P1PTS allowed SEPTS to operate at a greater capacity and support capture of water along the FM 2373 fence line, at wells east of FM 2373, and at the highest plume concentrations to the south on Texas Tech property. When P1PTS is operational, SEPTS is operated at a lower capacity to meet permit requirements for release of water to Playa 1.

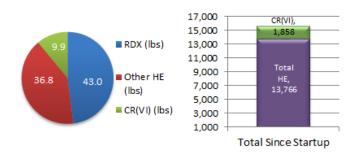


Figure 1. SEPTS Mass Removal

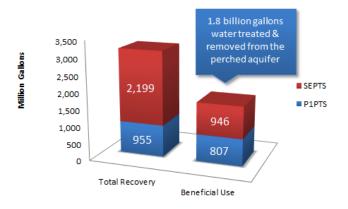


Figure 2. System Recovery and Use

Graphs of monthly operation and throughput are included in Appendix B. The SEPTS wellfield had more than 6 wells that required repair during the third quarter due to electrical and equipment issues. Pantex has issued a contract to address the problems, and most wells will be operational by the beginning of 2023. Almost 87% of the treated water was released to Playa 1. SEPTS treated about 27 million gallons (Mgal) during the third quarter. P1PTS primarily treats RDX (hexahydro-1,3,5trinitro-1,3,5-triazine), and SEPTS primarily treats RDX and hexavalent chromium [Cr(VI)]. Figure 1 provides SEPTS mass removal information for RDX and other high explosives (HEs) and Cr(VI) for the third quarter, as well as totals since system startup. P1PTS was not operated during third quarter, but had previously removed over 770 pounds (lbs) of high explosives (HEs). Overall, the systems have removed over 16,300 lbs of

HEs and chromium contaminants from perched groundwater since operations began.

The total recovery and treatment from both systems since startup has been calculated at about 3.2 billion gallons. Because SEPTS was originally designed to inject treated water, all of the treated water prior to 2005 was injected. However, a significant volume of treated water has been used beneficially since 2005, with a total of over 1.8 billion gallons of treated water beneficially used since startup of the irrigation system. The recovery and beneficial use totals are presented in Figure 2. Currently, the systems are releasing water to the WWTF and then to Playa 1 or directly to injection wells, so a majority of the treated water is not currently beneficially used. Evaluation of

effluent data from SEPTS indicates that all COCs were treated to levels below the groundwater protection standard (GWPS).

Pantex is currently installing an irrigation alternative on the property east of FM 2373 to provide additional long-term use of the treatment system water. Funding was requested in fiscal year 2021 to design and construct infrastructure for irrigation of land east of FM 2373 using five center pivot sprinklers. The design of the new irrigation system was completed in May 2021 and a new construction contract was awarded in August 2021. Construction on the system began in November 2021 and is expected to be operational in the spring of 2023. The first irrigated crops are expected to be planted for the summer 2023 growing season.

Pantex also identified funding to design and construct three new perched injection wells to the east of Playa 2; northwest of the Zone 11 ISB System. Construction of the injection wells and infrastructure was completed in February 2022. Due to issues with the communication system, operation of the system will not begin until early 2023. The Playa 2 injection wells will provide a consistent outlet for a portion of the treated water when irrigation is not an available method for beneficial use of the treated water. These wells will also provide a method to inject the treated water without affecting movement and capture of plumes in the southeast area.

Perchlorate was detected in two SEPTS extraction wells starting in 2017, with concentrations increasing since the first detection. Perchlorate has been identified in two additional extraction wells in 2021. Pantex contracted to expand the SEPTS with a perchlorate pre-treatment for wells in the southwestern part of the system. The design portion of the contract started in August 2021 and was completed in February 2022. Construction was finished in August 2022. Mass removal for the system will be included in future reports.

#### **ISB Systems**

Four ISB systems (Zone 11 ISB, Southeast ISB, Southeast ISB Extension, and Offsite ISB) are installed and operating at Pantex during the third quarter of 2022. The systems are designed with closely spaced wells to set up a treatment zone in areas of the perched groundwater where pump and treat may not be as effective, or where the area is sensitive to vertical migration of COCs to the Ogallala Aquifer. Amendment is injected into these systems to establish treatment zones where COCs are degraded. Monitoring wells are installed downgradient of the treatment zone to monitor whether the system is effectively degrading the COCs (see maps in Appendix A). The primary COCs at the Zone 11 ISB are trichloroethene (TCE) and perchlorate. The primary COCs at the Southeast ISB are RDX and Cr(VI). The primary COC at the Southeast ISB Extension and the Offsite ISB is RDX.

The following section provides an understanding of the expected conditions at the ISB systems and downgradient concentrations of COCs. For the treatment zone wells, this report evaluates whether the conditions are present, including oxidation reduction (i.e. redox) potential (ORP) and the reduction of electron acceptors (i.e. sulfate, dissolved oxygen and nitrate), to degrade the COCs in each area. The presence of gases, such as methane, can also be an indication of deeper reducing conditions. The presence of a continued food source (total organic carbon) for the microbial

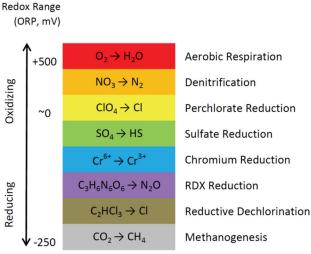


Figure 3. Redox Range for COCs

reduction of COCs is also evaluated. Strong reducing conditions (ORP below -50 millivolts (mV) to reduce RDX and TCE and near 0 mV to reduce hexavalent chromium and perchlorate) are required to adequately reduce COCs. Figure 3 presents the redox ranges for the reduction of various COCs. Dissolved gases, redox potential, nitrate, and TOC are evaluated in the ISB treatment zone performance wells to determine if the treatment zone is rebounding to baseline conditions, thus requiring amendment injection. At this time, sulfate is not used as an indicator of reducing conditions, due to potential addition of high level of sulfates in the treatment zone from molasses used during

injections. Pantex is investigating this issue.

Downgradient monitoring wells are evaluated to determine if the ISB systems are effective in degrading the COCs and any breakdown products of the COCs. Graphs of data from sampled treatment zone wells and downgradient *In Situ* performance monitoring (ISPM) wells are included in Appendix C with the exception of the Offsite ISB wells, which were excluded due to limits in data.

**Table 1. ISB Systems Activities** 

#### ISB INJECTION ACTIVITIES

Month (2022)	SE ISB EXT	SE ISB	Z11 ISB	Offsite ISB <sup>1</sup>
January		Sample		
February	Sample			Sample (Interrupted) /Injection
March		Injection		Injection
April		Injection	Sample	Injection
May	Maintenance		Maintenance	Injection
June	Maintenance		Injection	Sample (Finished)/Injection
July			Injection	
August	Injection		Injection	Maintenance
September	Injection	Sample	Injection	Maintenance
October		Sample		Sample/Injection
November	Sample		Sample	Injection
December				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All scheduled wells in the Offsite ISB are extraction (REC) wells and not injected; therefore, injection will not affect the sampling of the monitored wells. REC wells must be sampled during injection events when wells are operating to support injection.

SE ISB EXT = Southeast ISB Extension

SE ISB = Southeast ISB

Z11 ISB = Zone 11 ISB

Sampling of the ISB systems has been reduced to a semi-annual frequency. As a system's data is not always available for quarterly evaluation, only new and complete data sets for each system will be assessed during the current quarter. Due to weather, injection events and well maintenance activities, no system was fully sampled during the third quarter (see Table 1). Performance of all four systems will be discussed in the forthcoming *2022 Fourth Quarter Progress Report* as all data will be available at that time.

Table 1 summarizes the injection activities for 2022. Well maintenance activities for the injection ISB and REC wells were performed in August and September at the Offsite ISB system. Injections were completed at the Zone 11 ISB and Southeast ISB Extension systems in the third quarter. Future injections are scheduled for the Offsite ISB that began in October 2022.

#### BURNING GROUND SVE

The Burning Ground SVE system began operation in 2002 as a large-scale catalytic oxidizer (CatOX) system. Due to a large reduction in VOC concentrations, a small CatOX system has been operating at the Burning Ground SVE system since April 2012. This small-scale system focused on treating residual non-aqueous phase liquid (NAPL) and soil gas at a single extraction well (SVE-S-20) near the source area.

Overall, the system operated 53% of the quarter (~ 1175 hours of operation). The SVE was shut down in October 2021 as part of the pulsing plan for path to closure of the system. The system was restarted in January 2022, but shutdown in March, when an unexpected failure of the catalytic oxidizer occurred. The system was restarted on August 22 and ran until the end of October when another failure of the catalytic oxidizer shutdown the system. Figure 4 shows mass removal calculated for the third quarter and since startup for VOCs that historically contribute to the total VOC concentration.

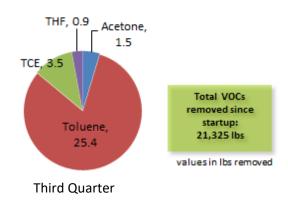


Figure 4. SVE Mass Removal

The system removed  $\sim 31$  lbs of VOCs during the third quarter, but has removed about 21,325 lbs of VOCs since startup. Based on PID data collected at the system effluent port, system destruction efficiency was at least 99%. Analytical data collected at startup indicate that the NAPL source is almost depleted, as reflected in the current mass removal values. Pantex will continue to evaluate the system at startup and as the system continues to operate.

The system operated at a higher flow due to the modifications to the system, with the flow increased from 32 standard cubic feet per minute (scfm) in early 2017 to the current level of 44 scfm. The hourly VOC removal rates increased with the increased flow until Fourth Quarter 2018. The removal rate declined during 2018, but began to improve over the first two quarters of 2019. In the third and fourth quarter of 2019, removal rates decreased and continued to remain low in

the third quarter of 2022. As total VOC concentrations continue to remain below 100 ppmy, Pantex is actively pulsing the system to determine current recovery efforts and feasibility of system closure. A more detailed discussion is included in the 2021 Annual Progress Report.

#### Uncertainty Management and Early Detection

Uncertainty management and early detection wells are evaluated to determine if there are unexpected conditions in areas where previous groundwater contamination has not been detected or confirmed (Ogallala and perched aquifers), or in previous plume locations where concentrations have fallen below GWPS, background, and the practical quantitation limit (PQL) (e.g., perched wells at the Burning Ground and Old Sewage Treatment Plant areas). Indicator COCs are evaluated at the uncertainty management/early detection wells in the quarterly report. A map depicting the wells evaluated is included in Appendix A.

Review of the uncertainty management/early detection data collected during the third quarter indicates unexpected conditions at two Ogallala Aquifer wells, PTX06-1056 and PTX06-1157. Detections exceeded the GWPS in one Ogallala Aquifer well. There were no unexpected conditions at perched uncertainty management wells in the third quarter.

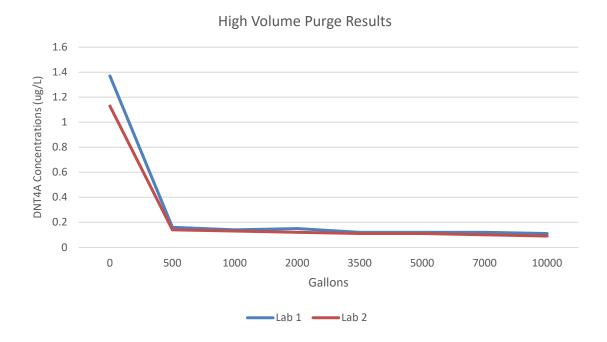
4-amino-2,6-Dinitrotoluene (DNT4A), a breakdown product of 2,4,6-trinitrotoluene (TNT), has been detected at PTX06-1056, with the initial detection occurring in April 2014. Sample results collected since that time have been variable, with values exceeding the PQL since late 2016. A trend of DNT4A (performed using Mann-Kendall statistics) continues to indicate an increasing trend across all data. PTX06-1056 also continues to demonstrate detections of 1,2-dichloroethane (DCA12). DCA12 has been variably detected since August 2015, with the most recent detection below the PQL. RDX was also recently detected in PTX06-1056 with values below the PQL.

	Summary of L	Jnexpected Ogallala Detection	ns, Third Quarter 20	22	
Well ID	Sample Date	Analyte	Measured Value (μg/L)	PQL (μg/L)	GWPS (μg/L)
PTX06-1056	07/18/2022	4-amino-2,6-dinitrotoluene	1.22	0.26	1.2
		RDX	0.09	0.26	2
		1, 2 – dichloroethane	0.52	1	5
PTX06-1056*	09/19/2022	4-amino-2,6-dinitrotoluene	1.37, 1.29	0.26	1.2
	,,	RDX	0.11, 0.11	0.26	2
PTX06-1157	08/10/2022	RDX	0.34	0.26	2
PTX06-1157*	10/18/2022	RDX	ND, ND	0.26	2

ND = Non-detect

<sup>\*</sup> Split sampled - Sample was sent to two individual labs.

As of May 2020, Pantex went back to semi-annual sampling for PTX06-1056 as approved by regulatory agencies. The first quarter (February 2022) result detected DNT4A at 1.1 ug/L, just below the GWPS of 1.2 ug/L. RDX was not detected in this sample. The third quarter (July 2022) result detected DNT4A above the PQL at 1.22 ug/L and RDX below the PQL (0.26 ug/L) at 0.09 ug/L. As a result, Pantex performed a high volume purge, time-series sampling event beginning on August 7 and completing on August 10. Results from that study are summarized below.



PTX06-1056 was resampled for DNT4A and RDX six weeks following the high volume purge to verify previous concentrations. Results from the verification samples confirmed DNT4A above the GWPS and detections of RDX below the PQL. Pantex is responding by installing two additional Ogallala monitoring wells to help understand nature and extent. These wells are anticipated to be installed in spring 2023. Notifications to regulators, Pantex Plant personnel and the public have been sent. Further actions will be determined based on future sampling results and in accordance with the *Pantex Plant Ogallala Aquifer and Perched Groundwater Contingency Plan*.

Additionally, RDX was detected above the PQL (0.26 ug/L) at PTX06-1157. Resamples of the well did not confirm the detection (results were non-detect). At this time, no further action will be taken and sampling will continue as approved in the 2019 Sampling and Analysis Plan and in accordance with the Pantex Plant Ogallala Aquifer and Perched Groundwater Contingency Plan.

#### OTHER UNEXPECTED CONDITIONS

Pantex routinely evaluates data as received from the laboratory to determine if it presents off-trend, all-time high, or new detection conclusions that may require further sampling or evaluation. Through the well maintenance program, Pantex also inspects wells at least every five years to

ensure they are not silting in and to evaluate whether the well remains in contact with the formation. No unexpected conditions were noted in the third quarter.

#### SCHEDULE UPDATE

Pantex provided a detailed schedule of upcoming work in the 2021 Annual Progress Report. An update of the activities scheduled to be started or completed by the publication date of this report is provided below.

#### Pantex accomplished the following:

- Injections into the Southeast ISB Extension were finished in August 2022.
- Injections into the Zone 11 ISB System were finished in September 2022.
- Injections into the Offsite ISB System were finished in November 2022.
- Construction of the new SEPTS perchlorate pre-treatment was completed in August 2022 and the system began operating.
- Pantex performed a time-series sampling event with a high volume purge at PTX06-1056 in August 2022.
- Phase 3 drilling at the Offsite System began in April 2022 and was completed in September 2022.
- Pantex submitted a Request for Proposal for the design of the upgrade to the SCADA system for SEPTS and P1PTS. The contract was awarded in September 2022.

#### Pantex continues progress toward completion of the following items:

- Pantex awarded a contract to build two mobile pump and treat systems that will be used at the Offsite Remediation System and in other areas where plume control may be required. Design was completed in April 2022. Construction of the systems has begun and the delivery of the trailers is expected during February 2023.
- The design of the new center pivot irrigation system planned to be installed east of FM 2373 was completed in May 2021. The new construction contract was awarded in August 2021 and construction began in November 2021. Operation of the system is expected by summer 2023.
- Construction of Phase 3 infrastructure for the Offsite System commenced in August 2022. Work is anticipated to be completed in spring 2023.
- Work began to evaluate the Pantex perched groundwater network, acquire LiDAR Survey information for assessing landfill cover deficiencies and acquisition of new toxicity data for Pantex COCs for use in evaluating its effect on risk in Five-Year Review. The Five-Year Review activities were initiated on August 1, 2022 and will continue through spring 2023 to produce a draft of the report. TCEQ and EPA participated in a Site Inspection of the Remedial Action Systems on September 27-28, 2022 at the Pantex Plant.
- Pantex awarded a contract for construction of two new ISB injection trailers to be used for future injection events. These trailers are anticipated to be completed by March 2023.
- An Explanation of Significant Difference was sent to EPA and TCEQ for review in September 2022. Comments were received the same month and responses have been drafted for consideration. A signed Explanation of Significant Difference is expected by the end of 2022.

#### CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGE

The remedial actions continue to operate and meet short-term expectations for cleanup of the perched groundwater in areas under the influence of the remediation systems. Perched water levels are declining, mass is being removed or reduced, and institutional controls provide protection from use of impacted groundwater, while the remedial actions continue to operate to meet long-term goals. Pantex is working to extend treatment systems to areas that are not currently under the influence of an existing remediation system. Pantex is also working to extend treated water injection and beneficial use to new areas to ensure consistent operation of the pump and treat systems.

The pump and treat systems continue to remove COC mass and water from critical areas in the perched aquifer; thus, decreasing head that drives vertical and lateral movement of perched groundwater. Pantex is continuing to pursue other options for release or use of the treated water. Pantex will continue to inject and release water to Playa 1 until the subsurface irrigation system is fully operational or other options can be constructed.

System repairs were completed at the subsurface irrigation system, with limited operation starting in March 2022. The system ran during the month of March, but an issue with the communication system caused the system to be shutdown. System repairs were completed and the system became available in late September 2022. Full operation of the subsurface system is currently hindered by lowered lagoon storage capacity due to ongoing repair of the WWTF's storage lagoons. Pantex has installed perched injection wells east of the Playa 2 area, as previously recommended. These wells will help provide a consistent outlet for release of treated water from SEPTS when beneficial use is not possible. Pantex expects to inject up to 150 gpm of treated perched groundwater once the system is brought online in 2023. Pantex completed the design and started the construction of a center pivot irrigation system east of FM 2373. Pantex also completed construction of a perchlorate pre-treatment system to address the perchlorate moving southeast through the SEPTS extraction wellfield.

Sampling was not completed at any ISB systems. Well maintenance activities, weather and injection activities prevented sampling. Injections were completed at Southeast ISB Extension and Zone 11 ISB systems in the third quarter of 2022.

Pantex continues progress toward cleanup of the southeast lobe of perched groundwater. A new ISB system (Offsite ISB) was designed to address HE contamination found on neighboring properties. Installation of infrastructure for Phase 1 and 2 of the Offsite ISB is complete and the first injection into the system was completed in October 2021. Phase 3 well construction is complete and construction of Phase 3 infrastructure commenced in August 2022 and is anticipated to be completed in spring 2023.

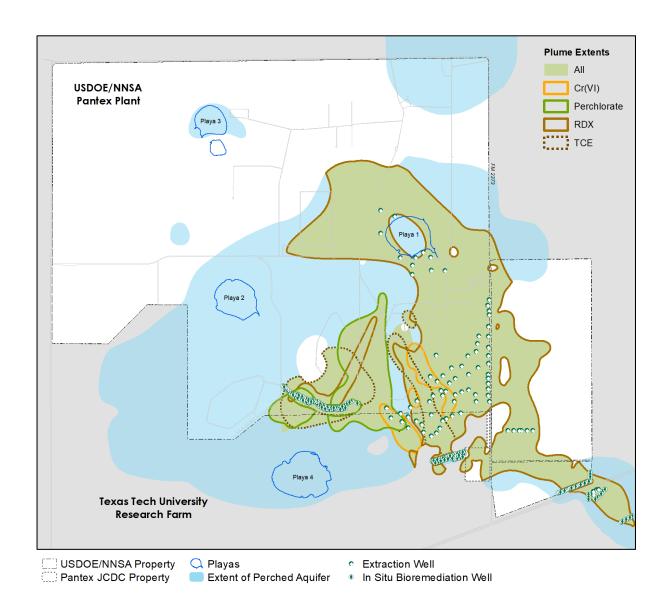
Pantex performed a time-series sampling event with a high volume purge at PTX06-1056 in August. Results of that study are summarized in this report, along with verification sampling completed in September. Plans to install two additional Ogallala wells are being implemented. Further actions

will be determined based on sampling results, in accordance with the *Pantex Plant Ogallala Aquifer* and *Perched Groundwater Contingency Plan*.

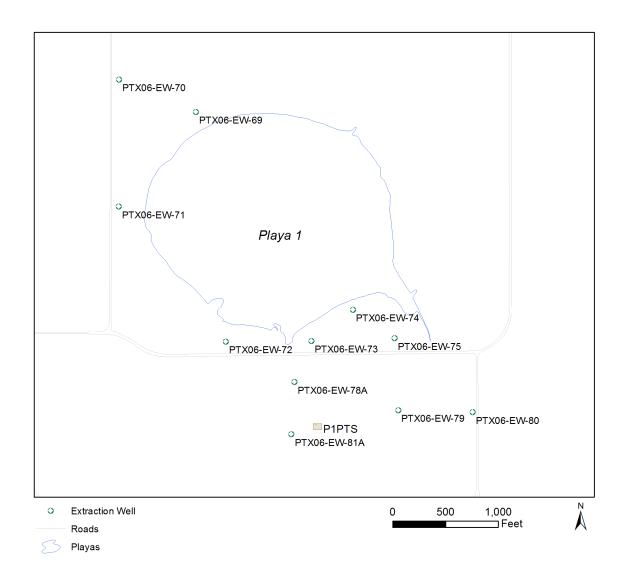
The SVE system continues to treat soil gas and residual NAPL in the solvent evaporation pit/ chemical burn pit area of the Burning Ground, thereby mitigating vertical movement of VOCs to groundwater. Pantex was unable to complete rebound tests successfully, and was unable to prepare a path to closure as recommended in the first Five-Year Review. Therefore, Pantex has evaluated other paths to closure for this system. In May 2017, Pantex completed a modification to six inactive SVE extraction wells surrounding the active extraction well SVE-S-20 to open the wells to ambient air. This modification enhances airflow through the formation while the system is operating. The airflow increased from 32 scfm to about 44 scfm over time. Evaluation of hourly VOC removal indicates that the mass removal rate initially increased with the increase in influent airflow; however, influent concentrations and mass removal have greatly decreased since the system was modified. Pantex is actively pulsing the system to evaluate final closure of the system and will provide further recommendations based on review of influent SVE data in the annual report.

The groundwater remedies are considered to be protected for the short-term, as untreated perched groundwater usage is controlled to prevent human contact and monitoring data continue to indicate that the remedial actions remain generally protective of the Ogallala Aquifer. Additional investigation of the area of the Ogallala Aquifer near PTX06-1056 will begin in early 2023 with installation of two new monitoring wells.

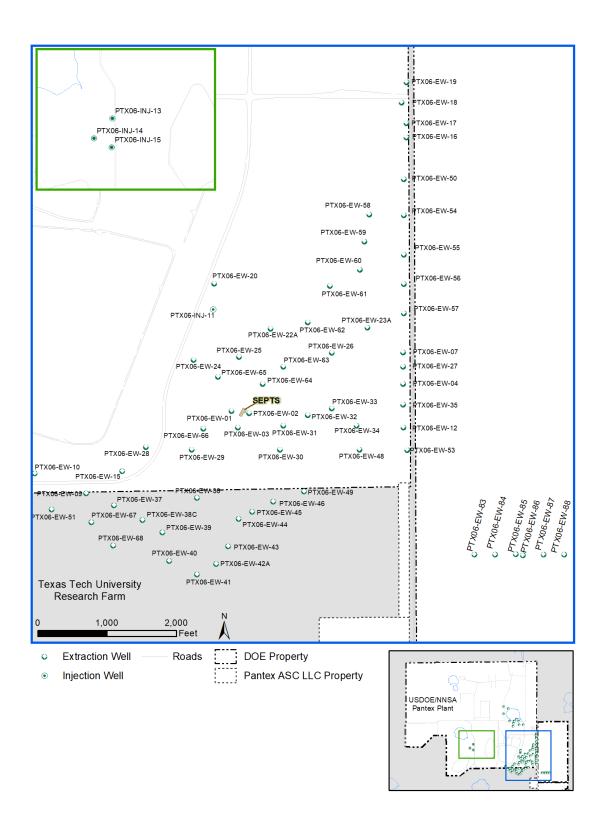
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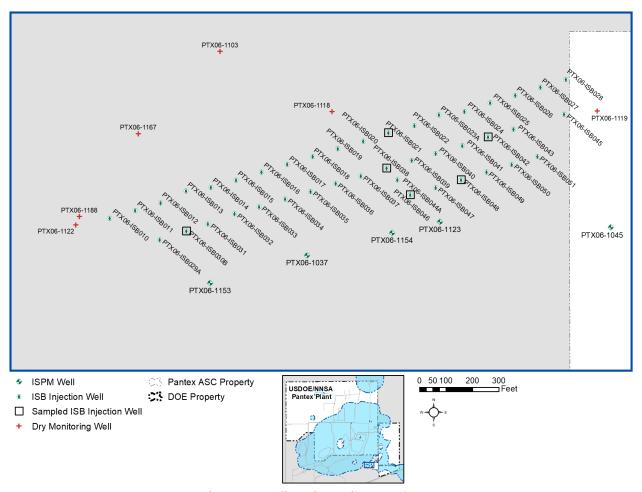


**Extent of Perched Groundwater and Contaminant Plumes** 

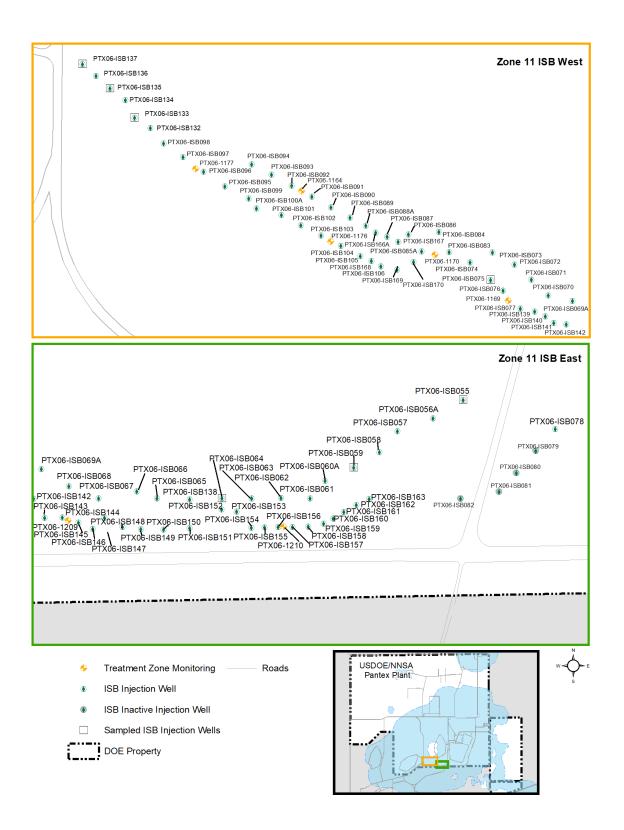


Playa 1 Pump and Treat System Wells

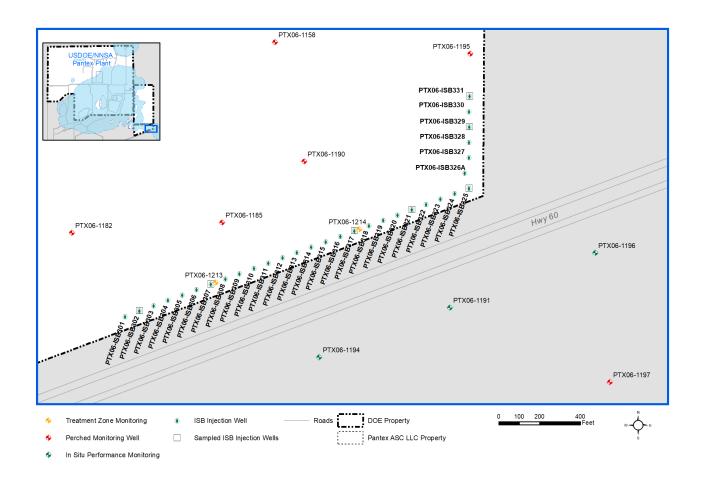




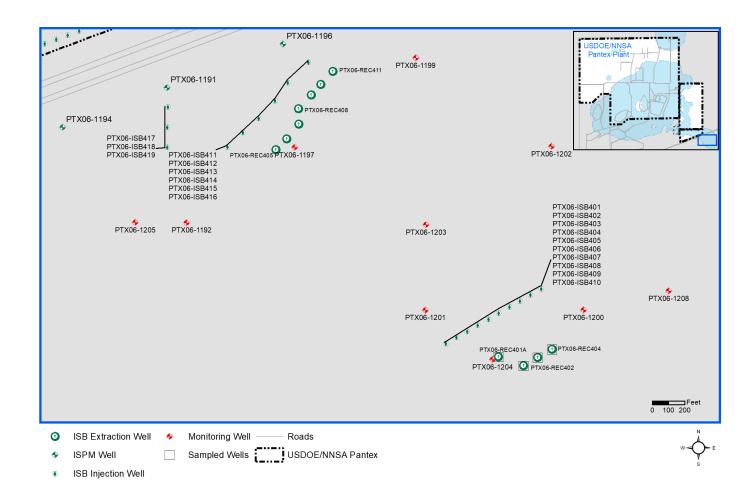
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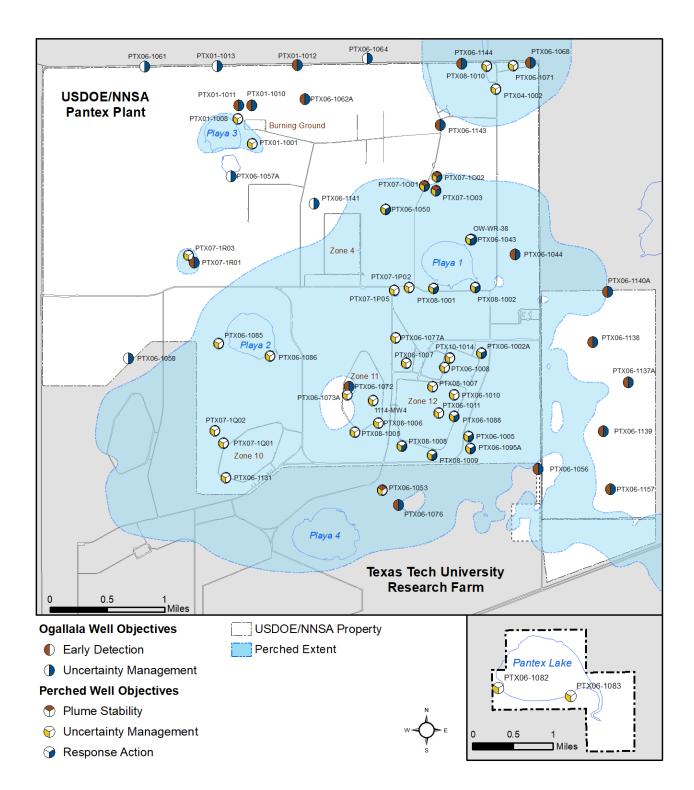
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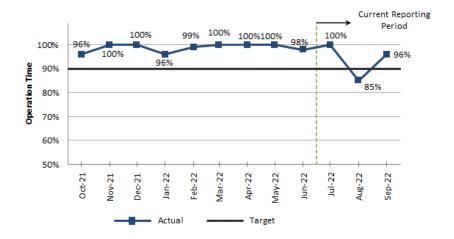
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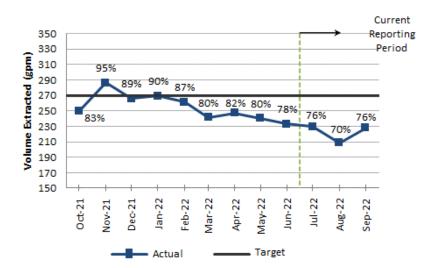
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Pump and Treat System Graphs

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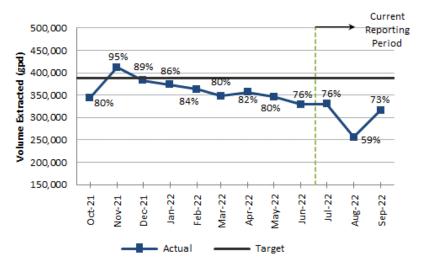
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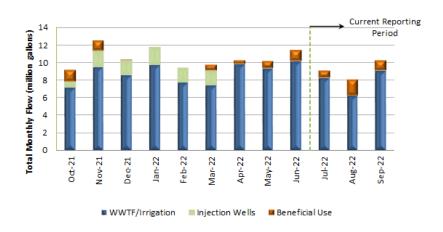
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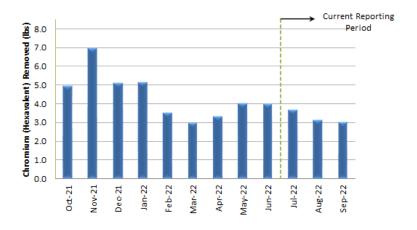
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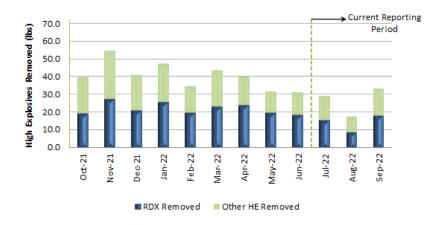
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**SEPTS Monthly Total Flow** 

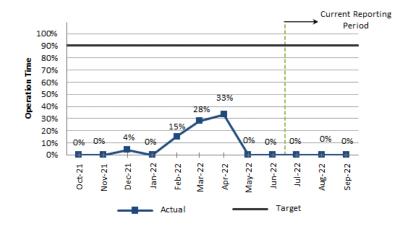


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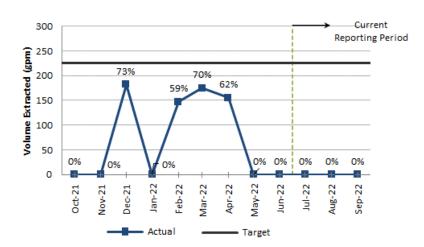


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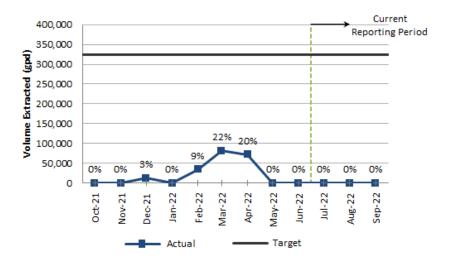
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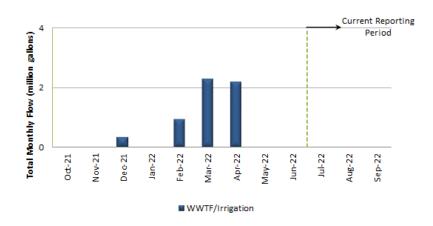
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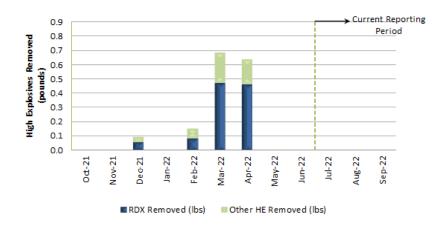
P1PTS Average GPM and % Capacity



P1PTS Average GPD and % Capacity



P1PTS Monthly System Total Flow



P1PTS HE Mass Removal by Month

### **Appendix B Glossary**

Operation Time Operation time represents the percentage of the total number of hours the

system was actually operated vs. the total possible hours the system could have

operated on a monthly basis.

GPM Extraction The gallons per minute (GPM) extraction rate represents the extraction rate from

the well field while the system was operating. This is a measurement of the well field's capability to support the overall system throughput goals. Low well field rates can occur due to inoperable wells or decline in saturated thickness that

makes extraction difficult.

GPD Extraction The gallons per day (GPD) extraction rate represents the system's ability to meet

overall throughput goals, considering the well field extraction rate and the system's operational rate. This rate is affected by the ability to extract water

from the well field and the system downtime.

Total Monthly Flow Total monthly flow is the total volume of extracted water measured at the

influent point of the pump and treat system. Individual well measurements and

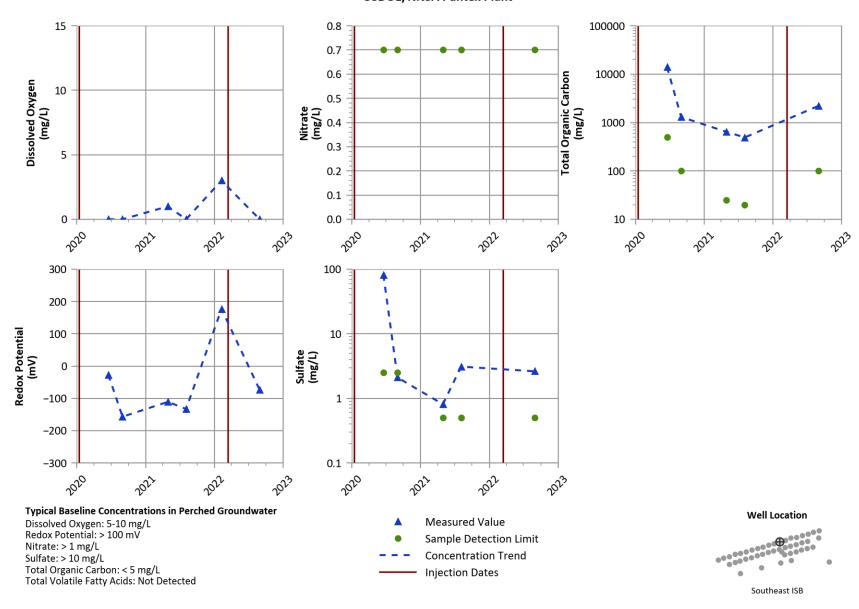
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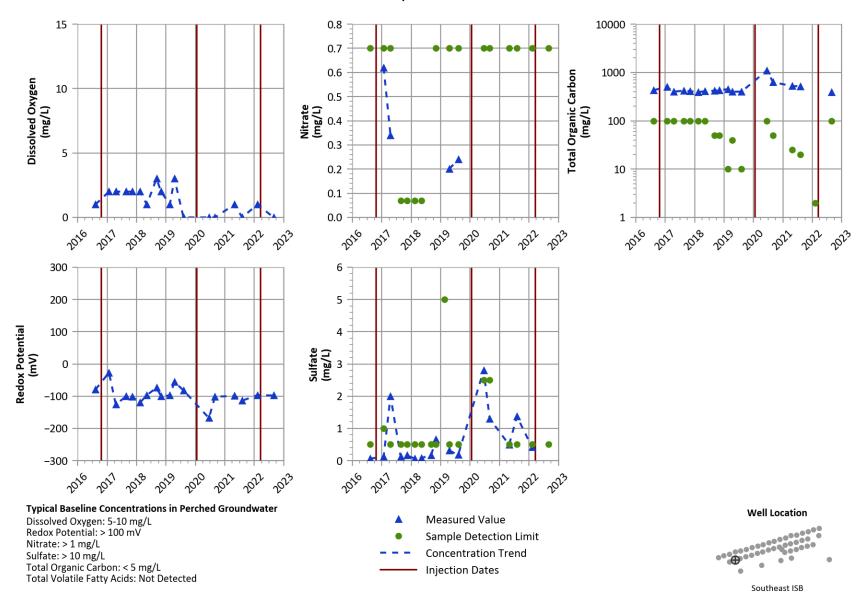
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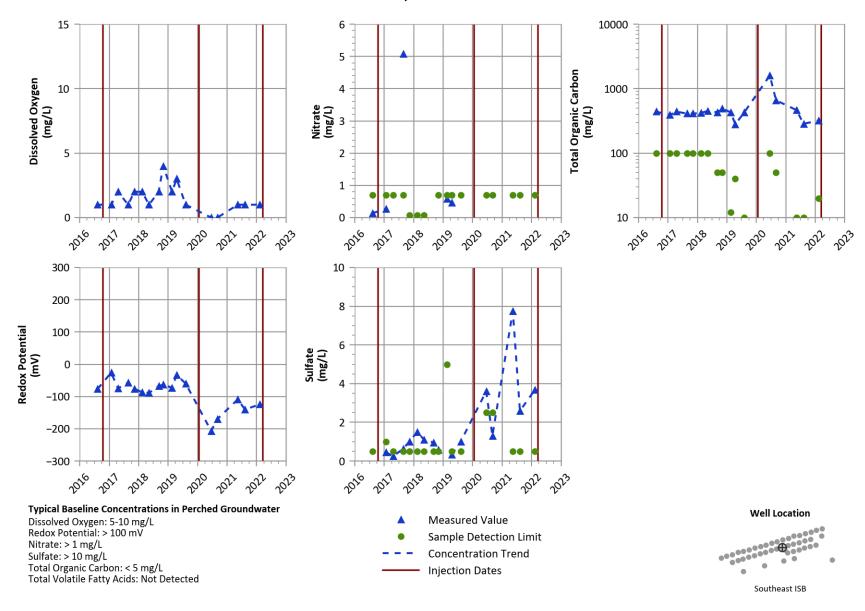
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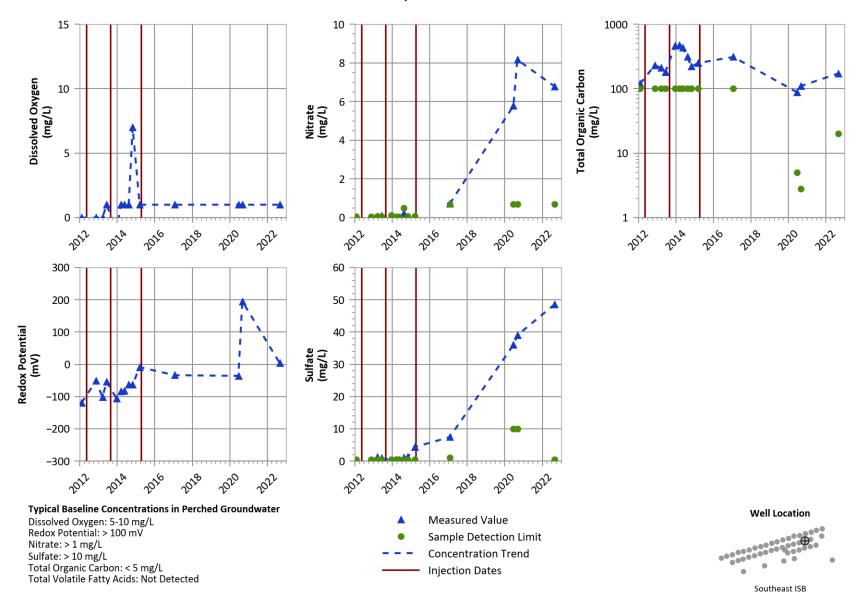
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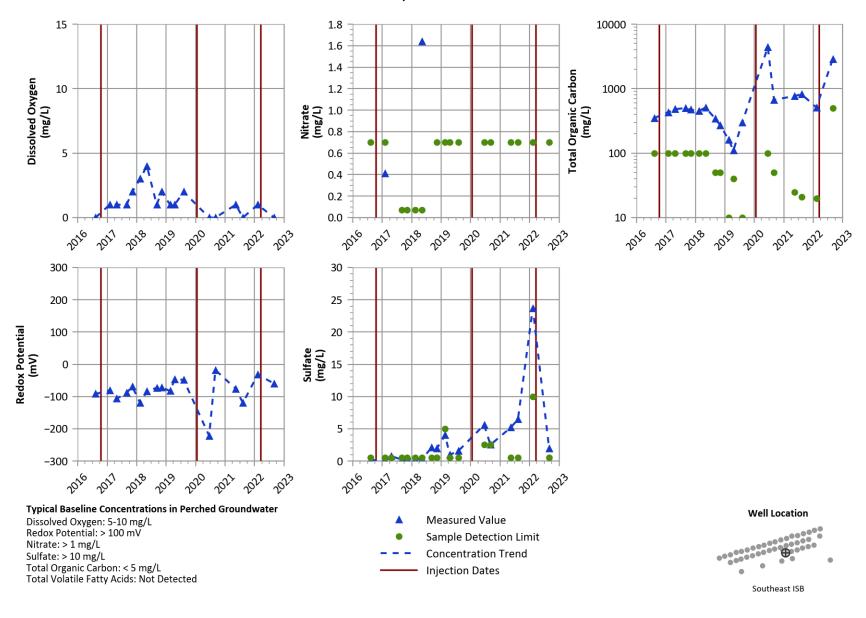
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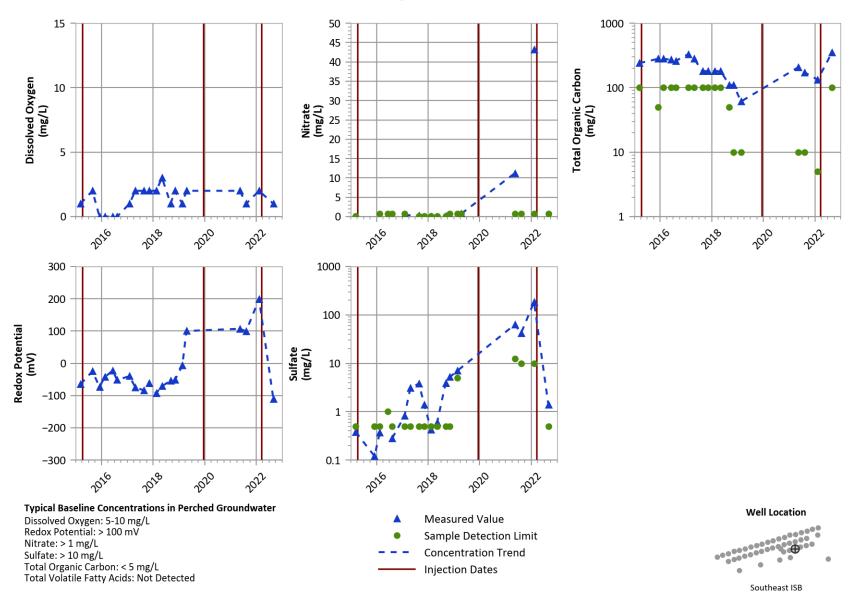
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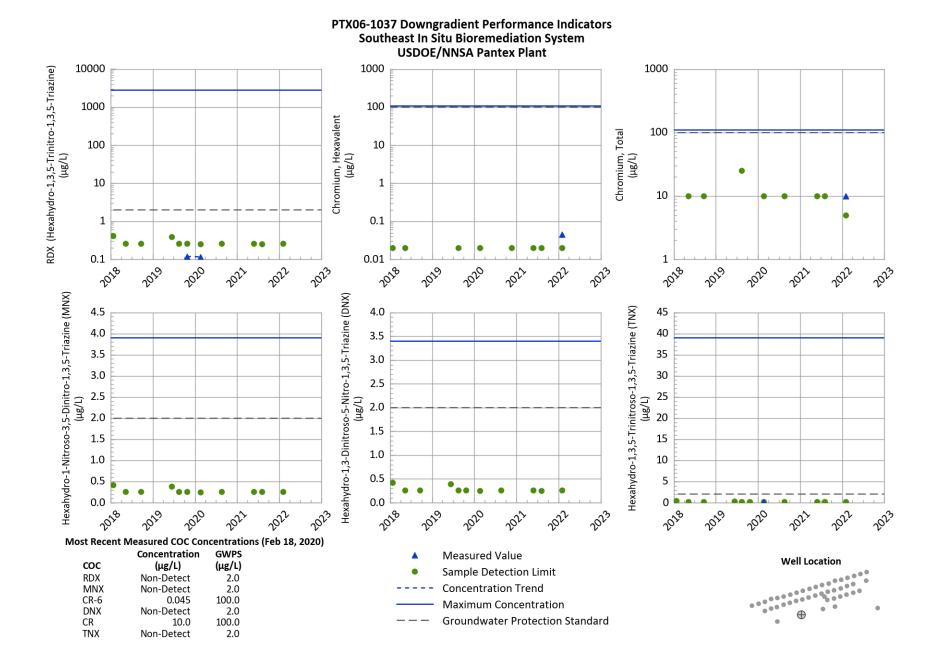


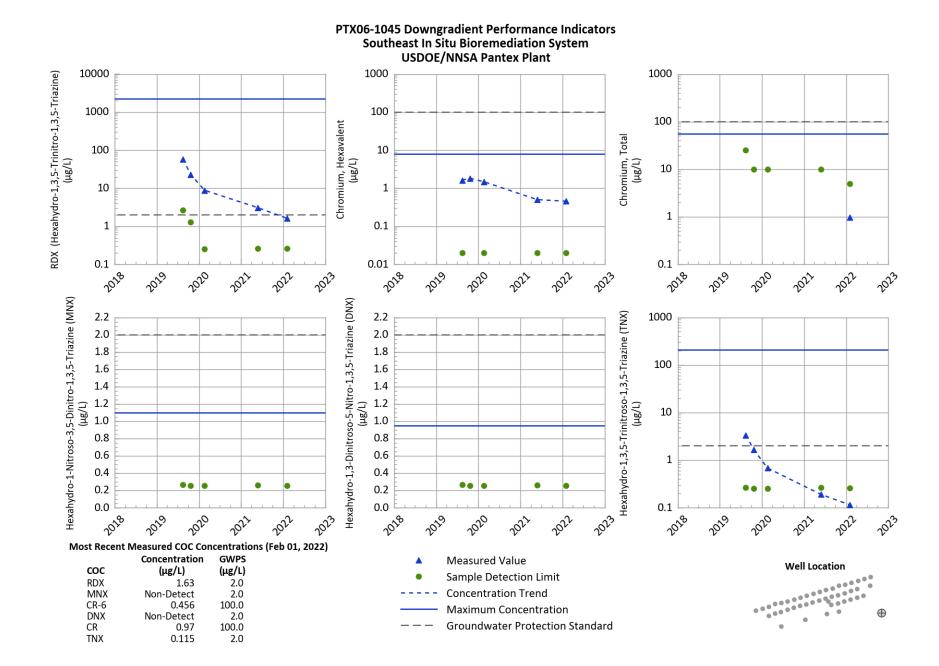
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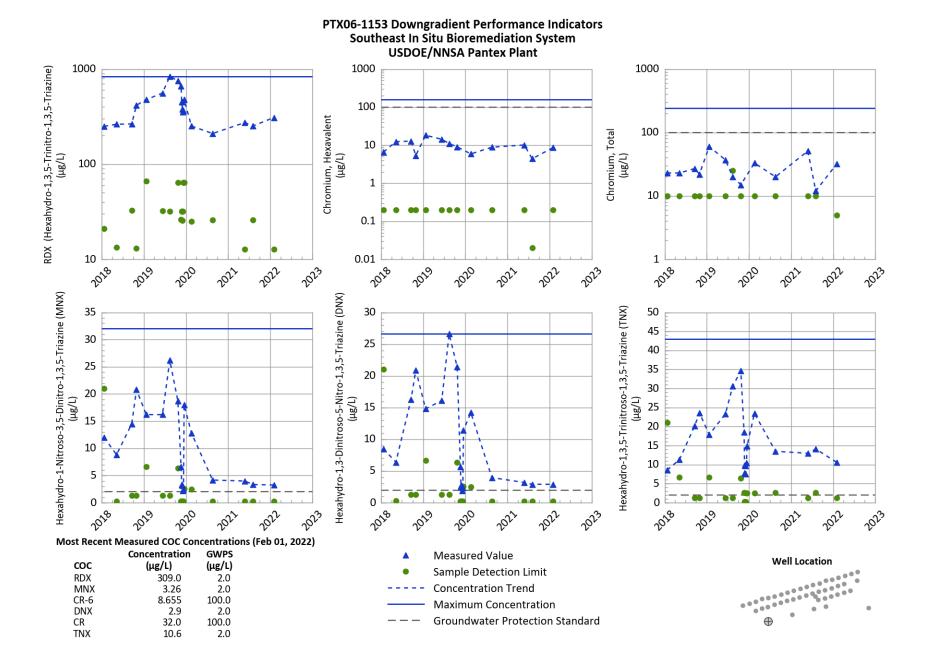


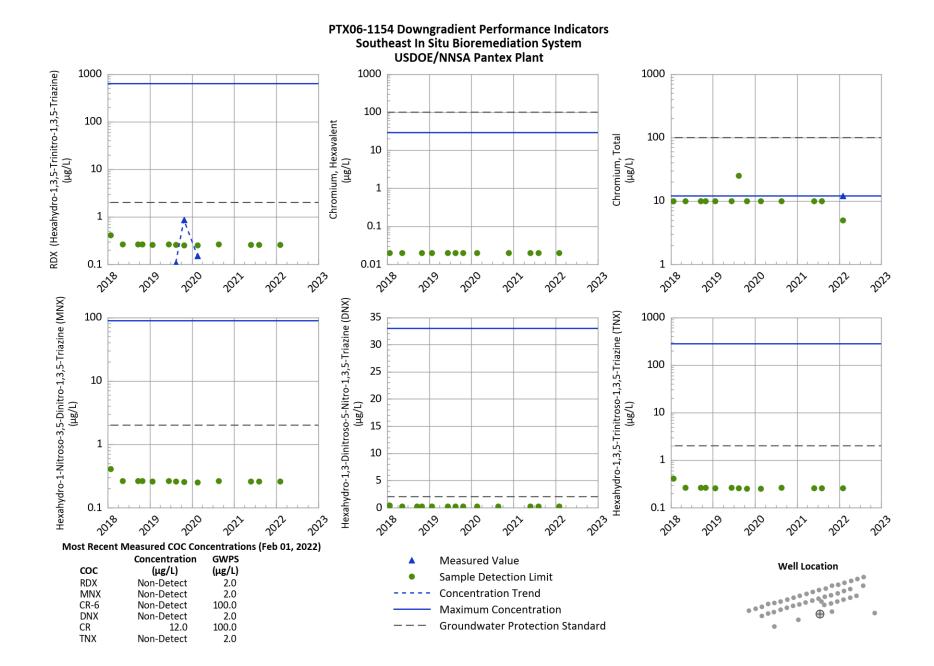
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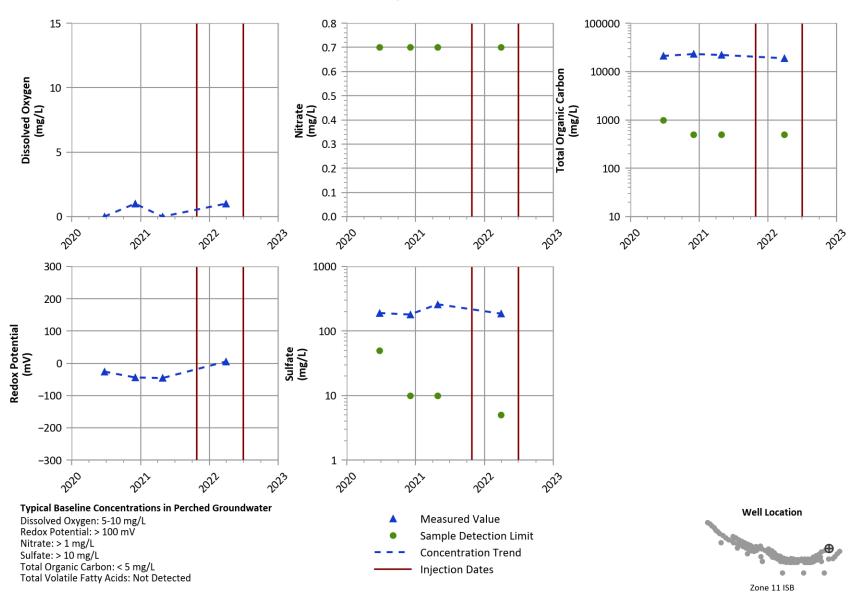




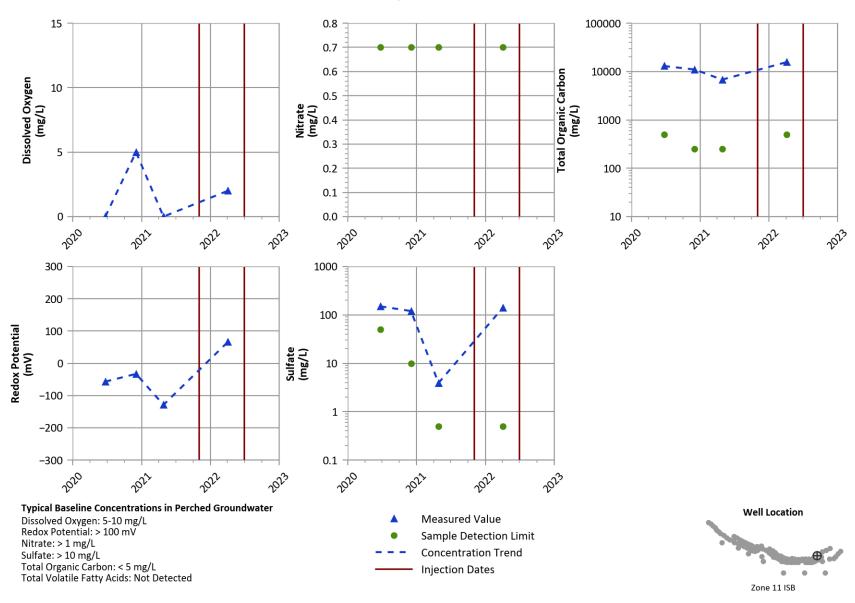


**Zone 11 ISB Graphs** 

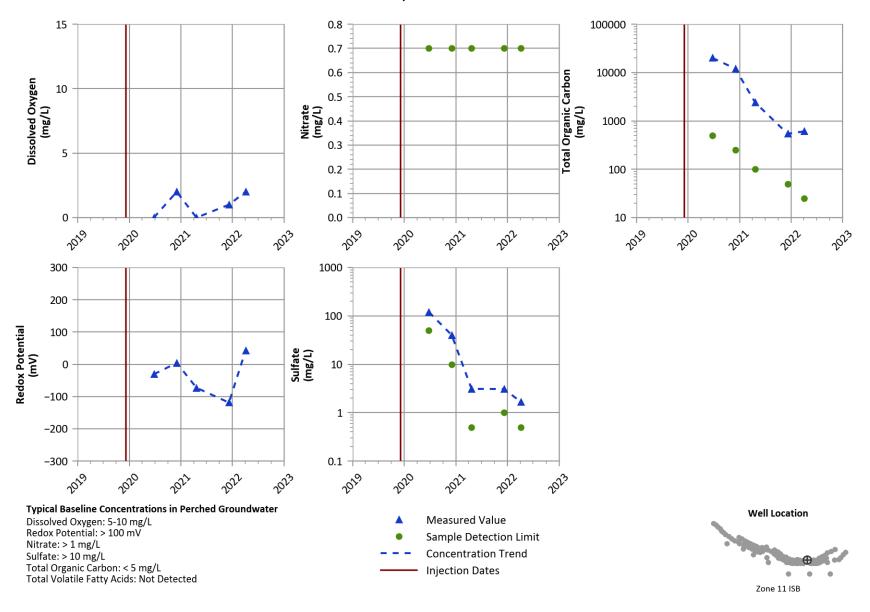
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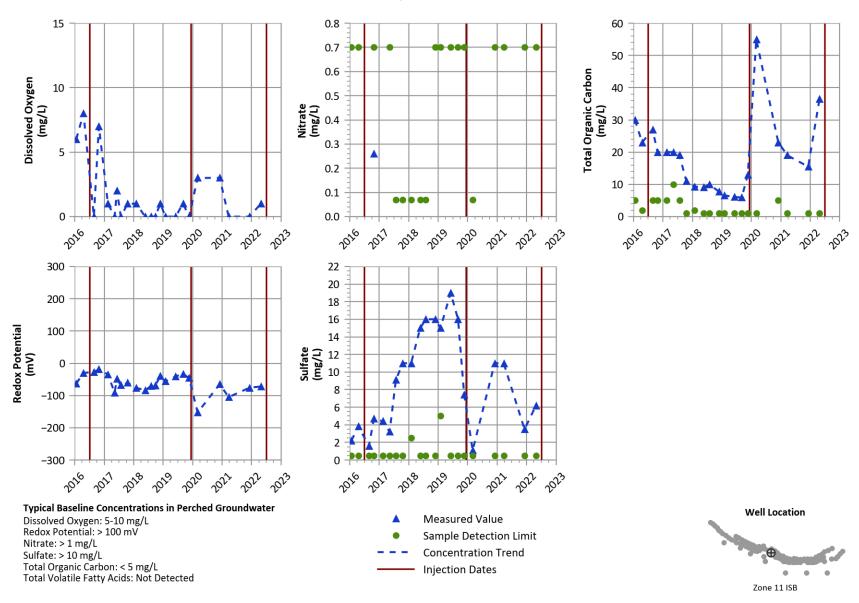
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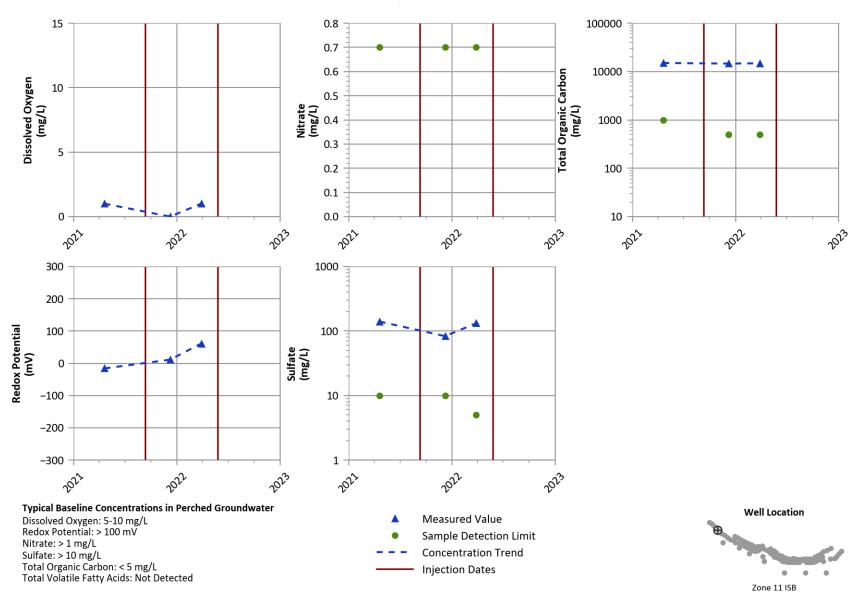
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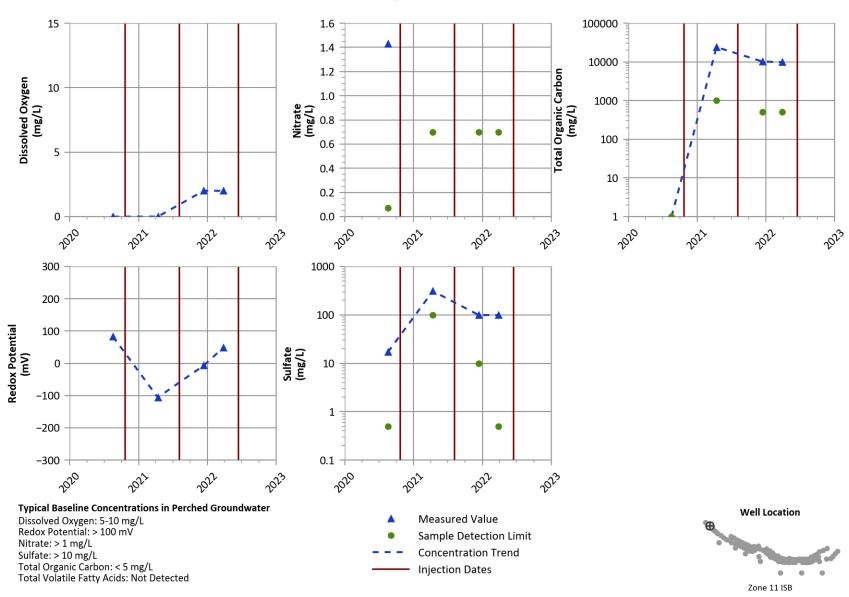
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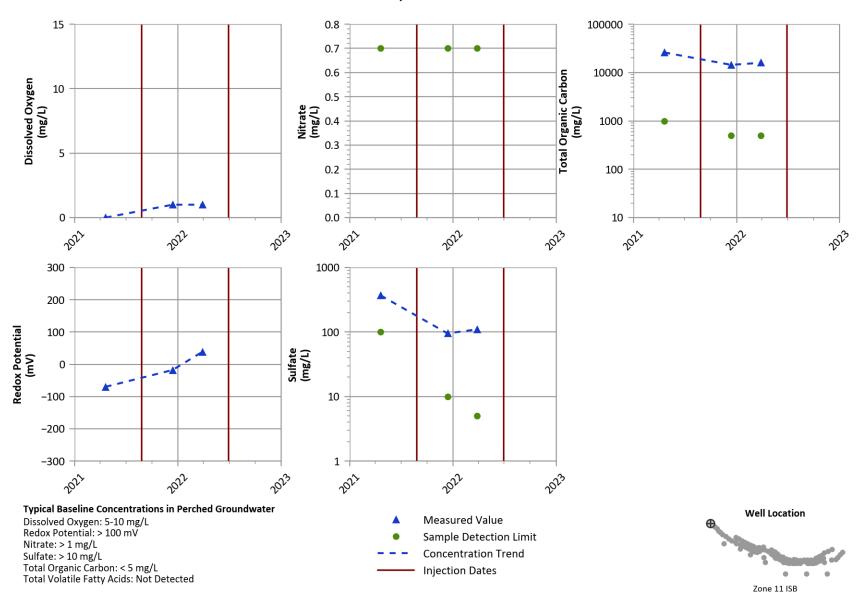
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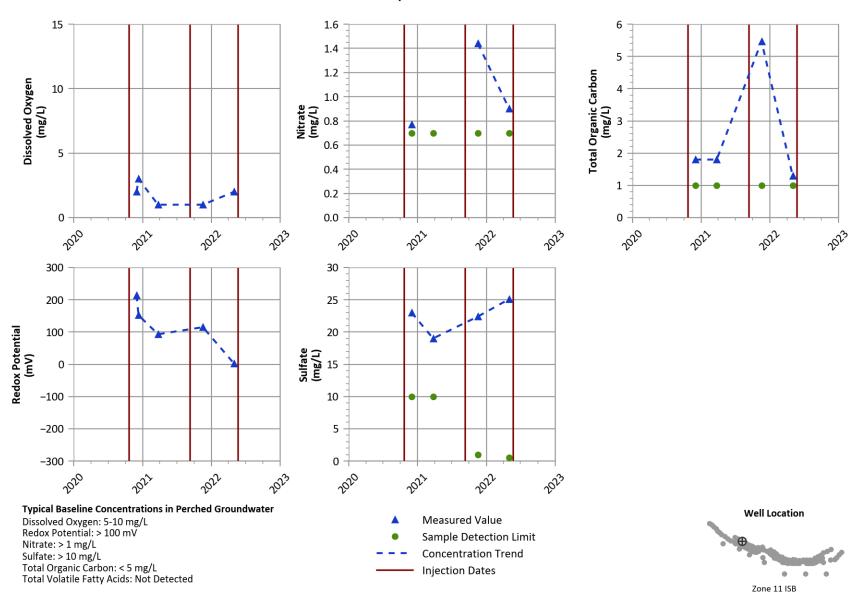
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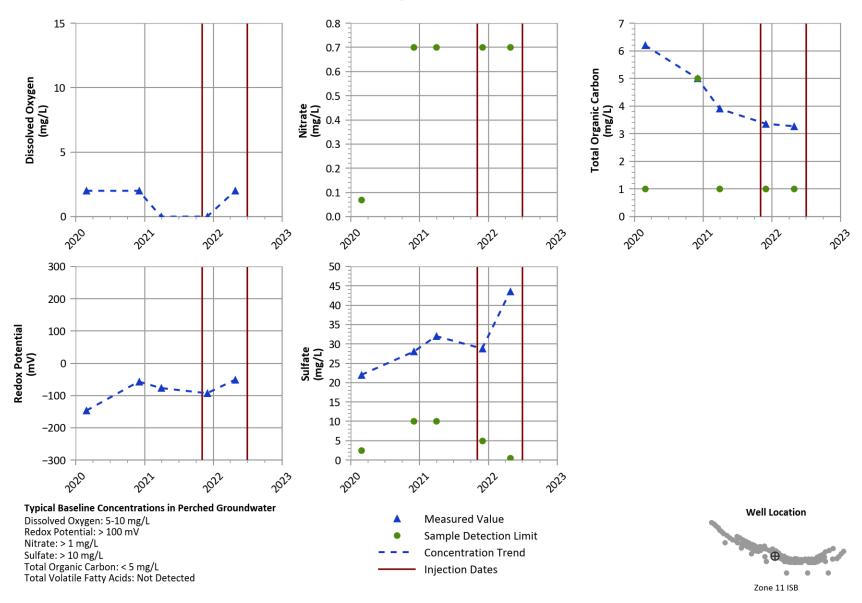
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PTX06-1164 Treatment Zone Performance Indicators USDOE/NNSA Pantex Plant



### PTX06-1169 Treatment Zone Performance Indicators **USDOE/NNSA Pantex Plant**



Nitrate: > 1 mg/L

Sulfate: > 10 mg/L

Total Organic Carbon: < 5 mg/L
Total Volatile Fatty Acids: Not Detected

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Sample Detection Limit

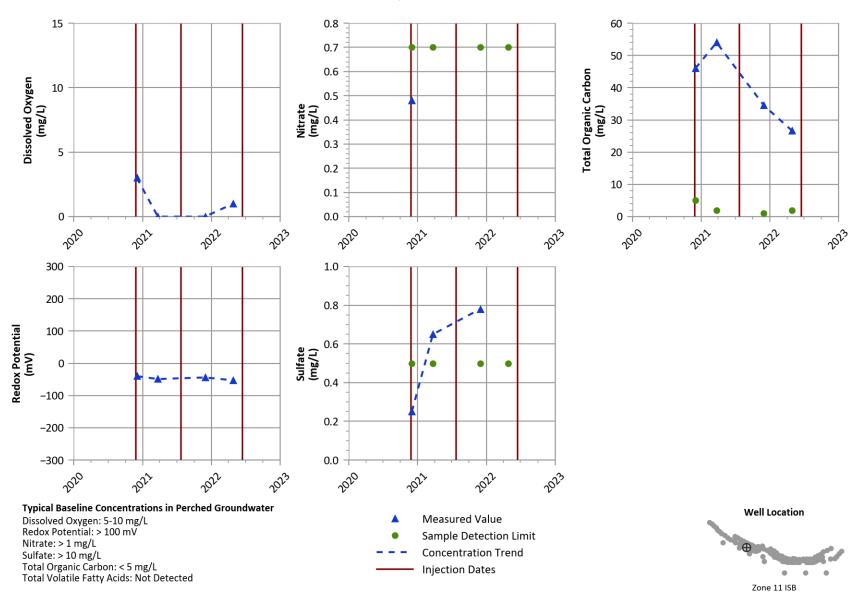
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**Concentration Trend** 

Injection Dates

PTX06-1170 Treatment Zone Performance Indicators **USDOE/NNSA Pantex Plant** 

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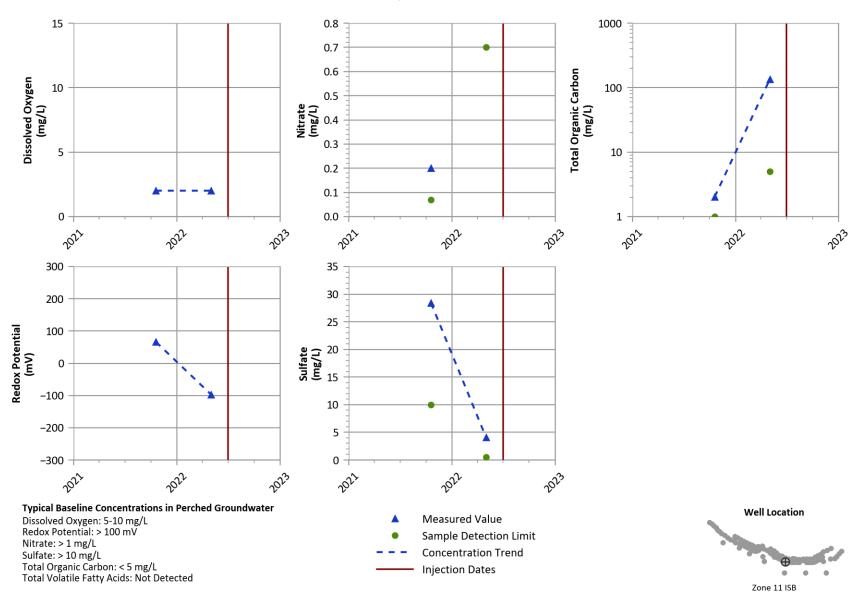


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Total Volatile Fatty Acids: Not Detected Injection Dates

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PTX06-1177 Treatment Zone Performance Indicators USDOE/NNSA Pantex Plant

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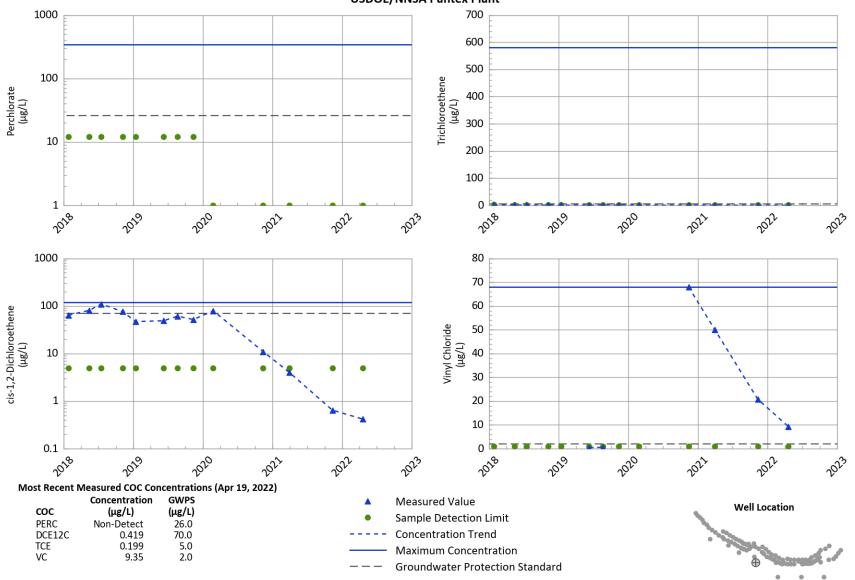


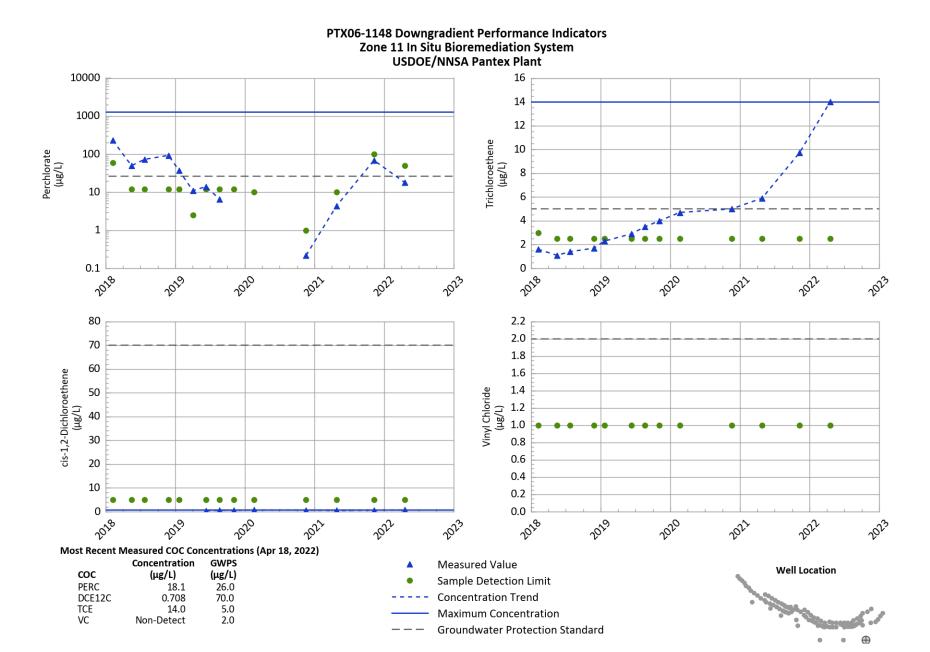
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Total Volatile Fatty Acids: Not Detected Injection Dates

Zone 11 ISB

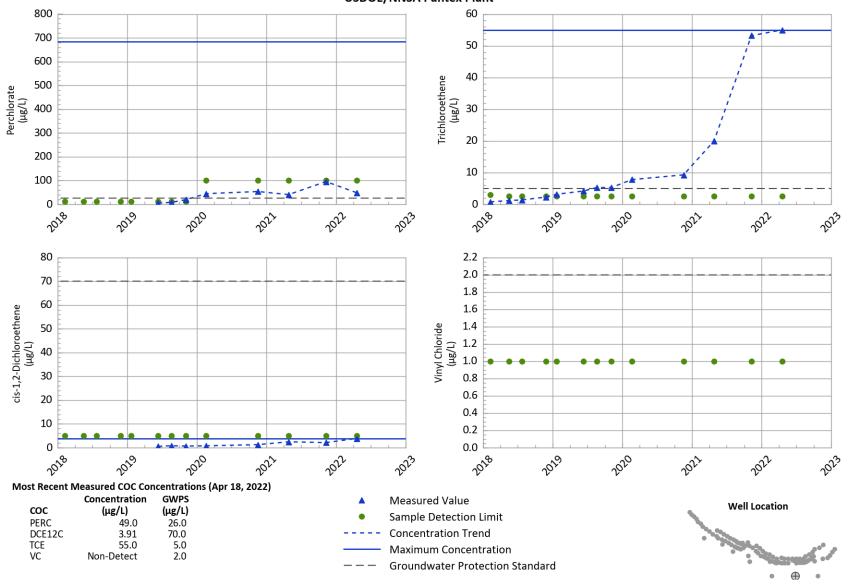
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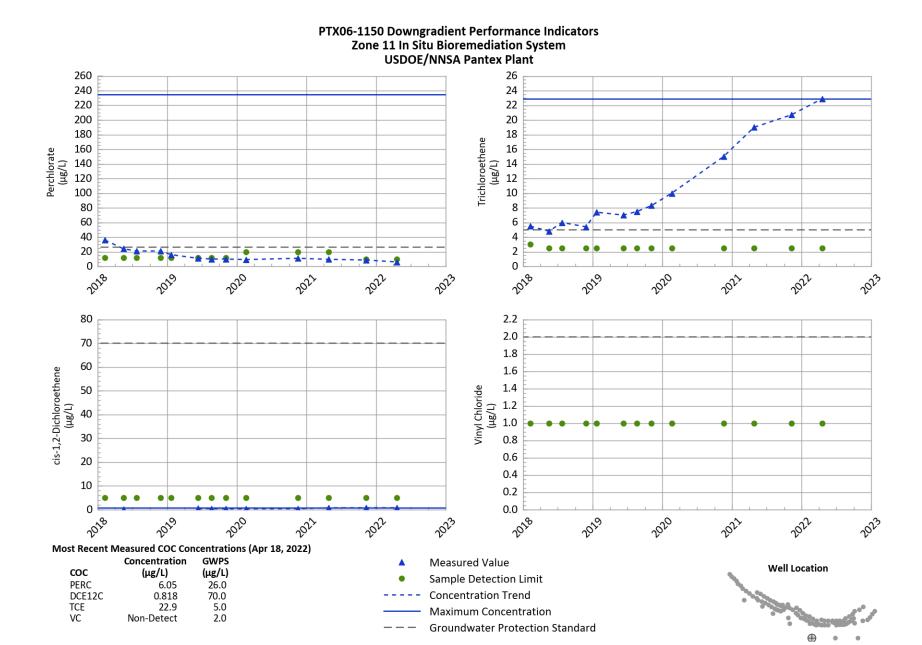
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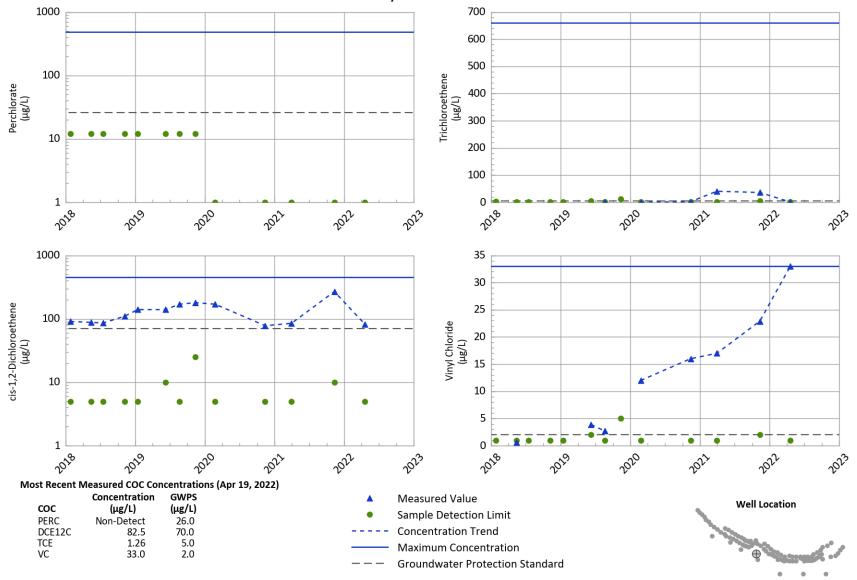


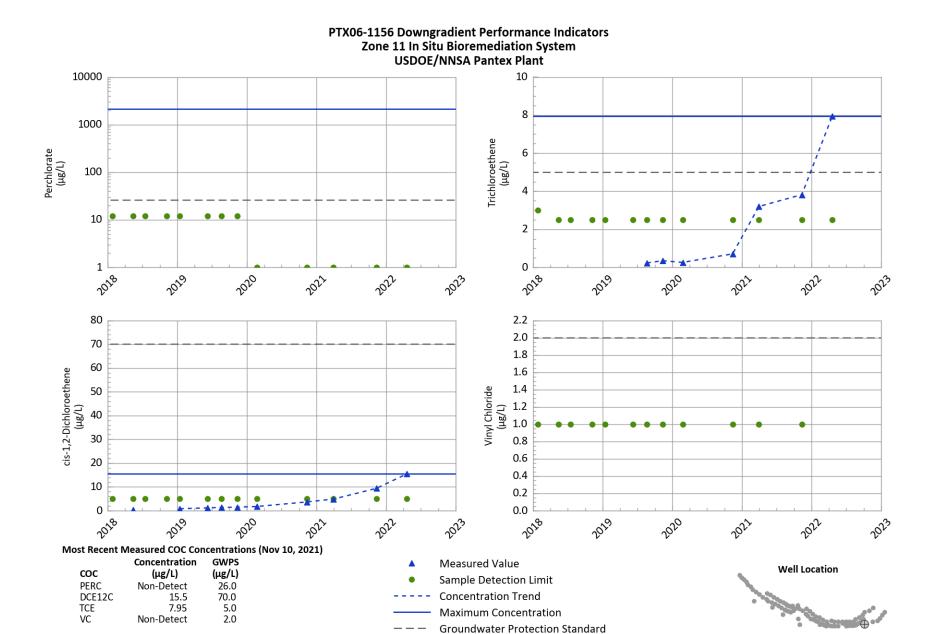
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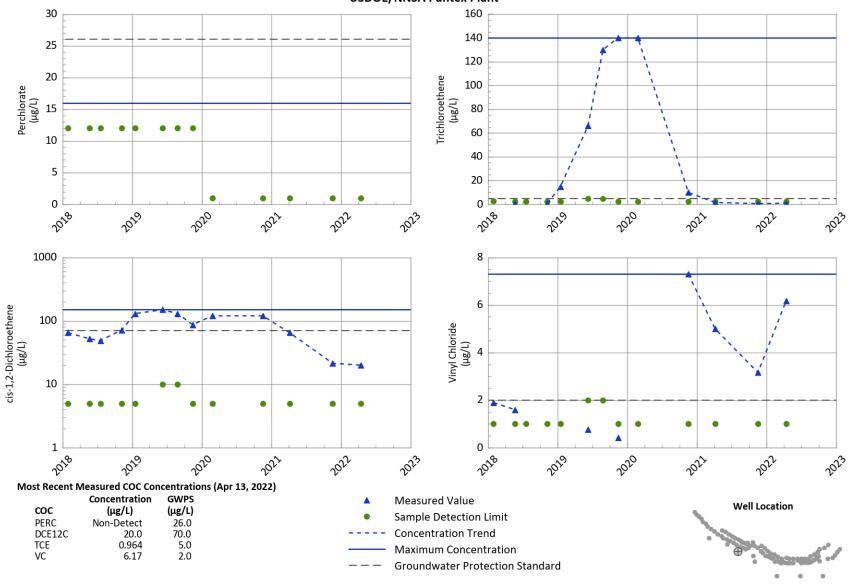


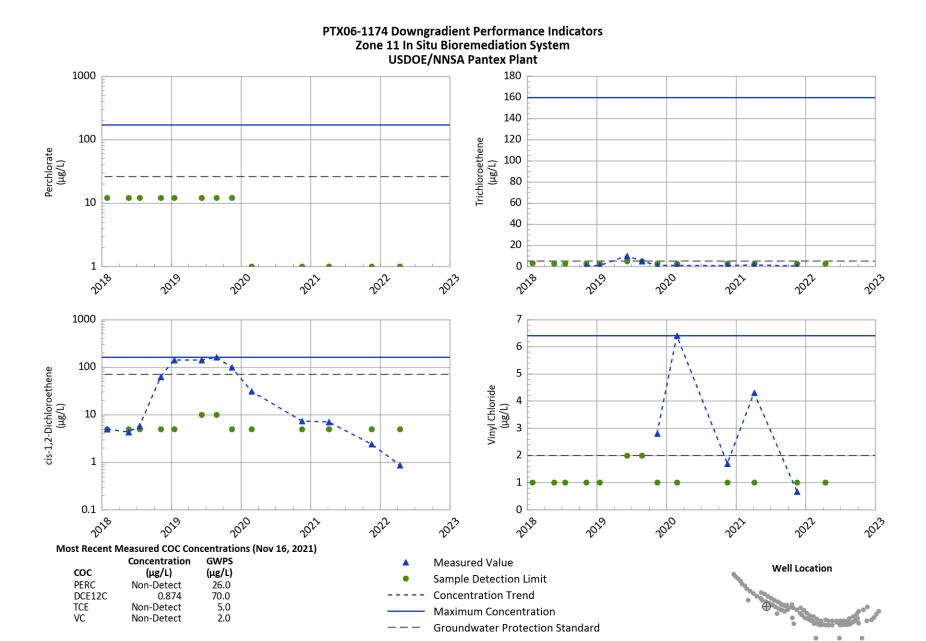
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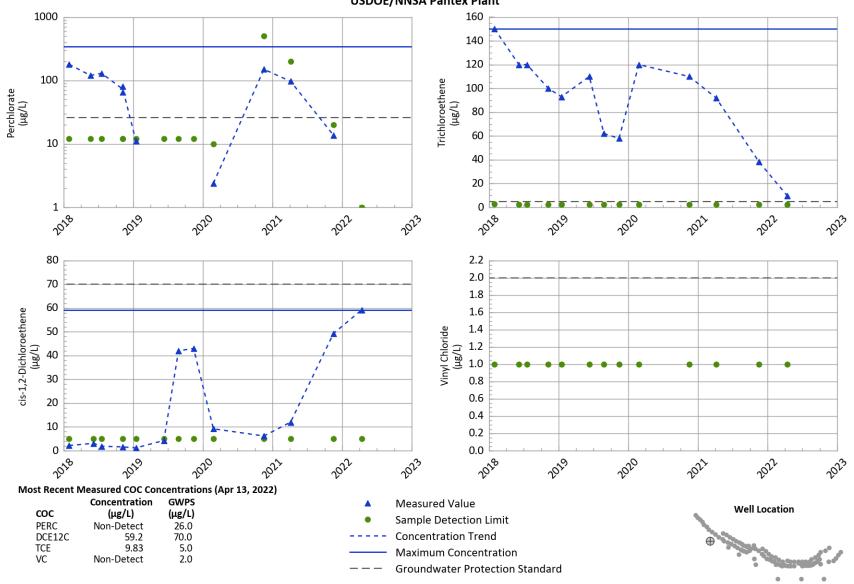


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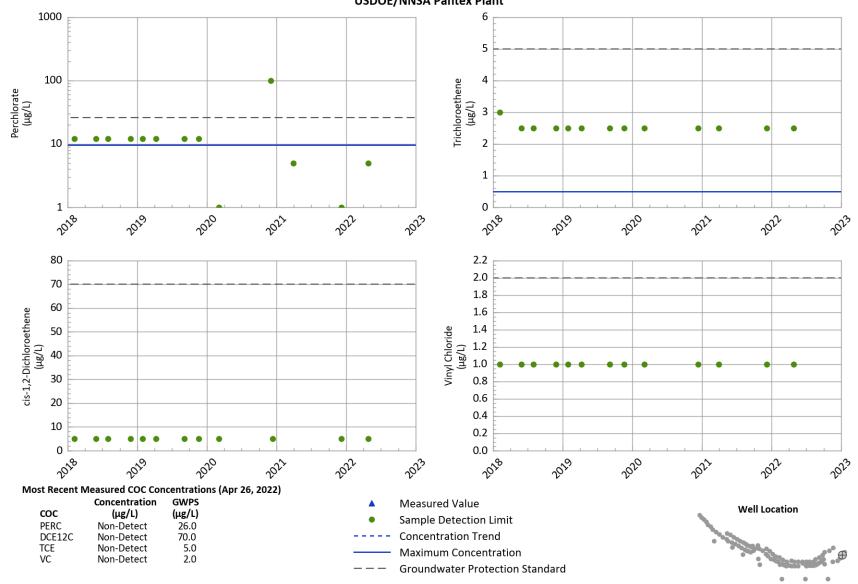




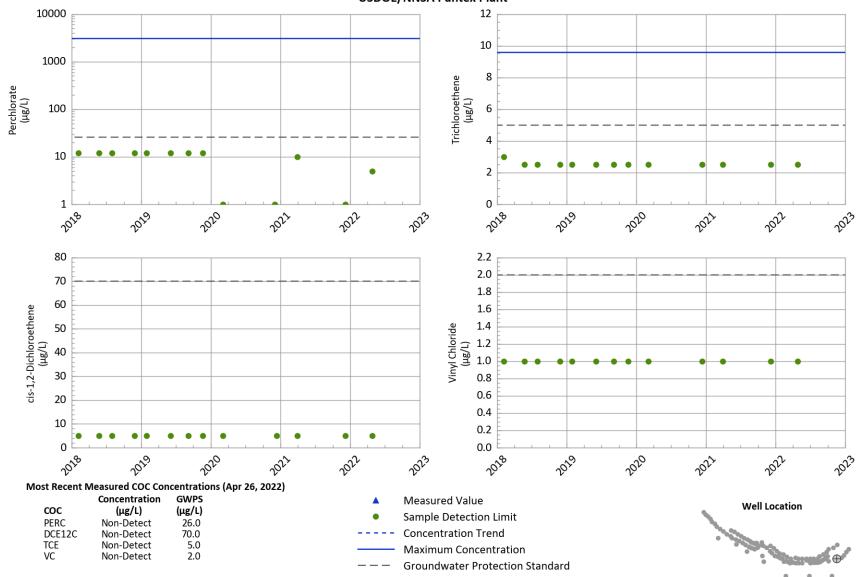
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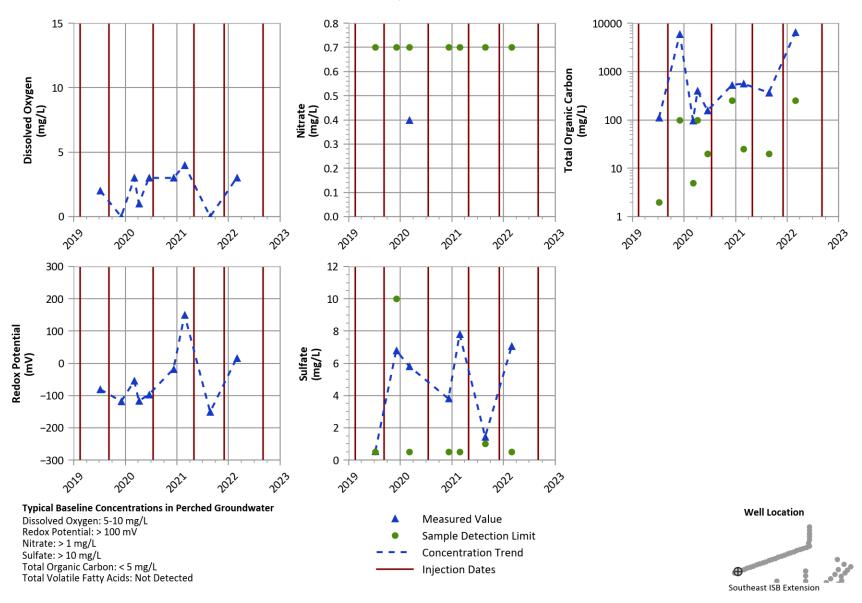


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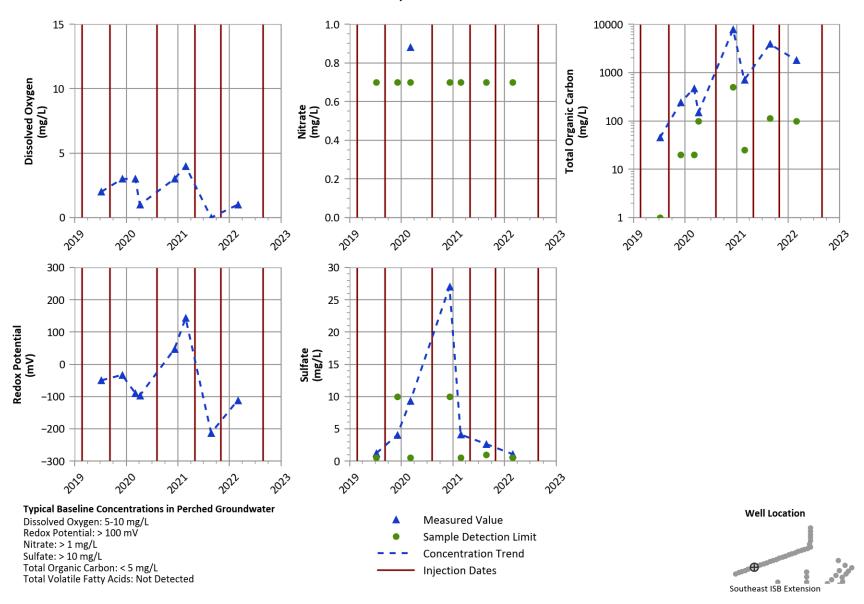
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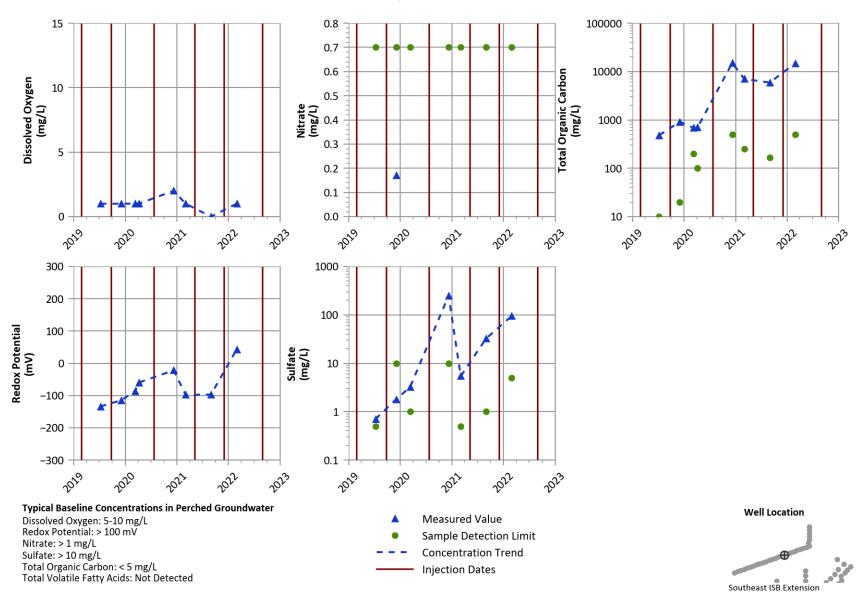
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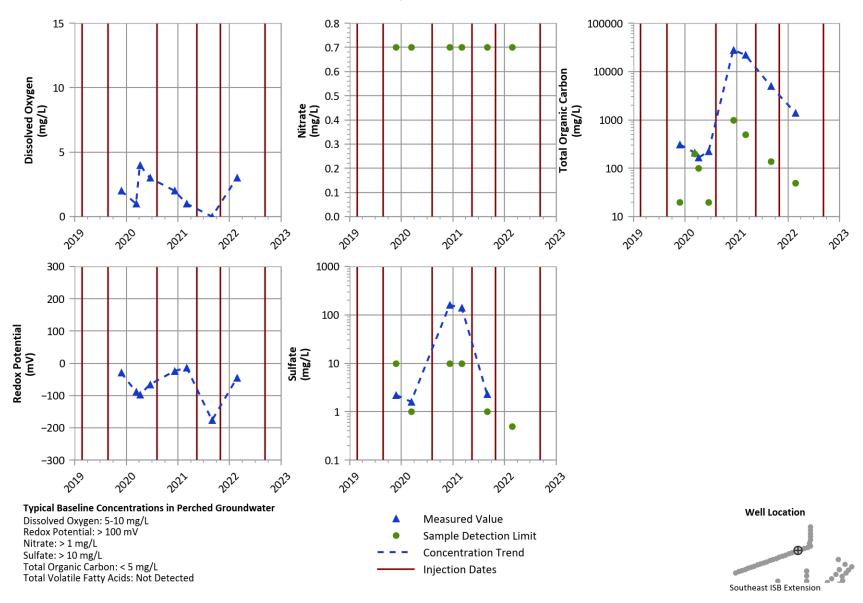
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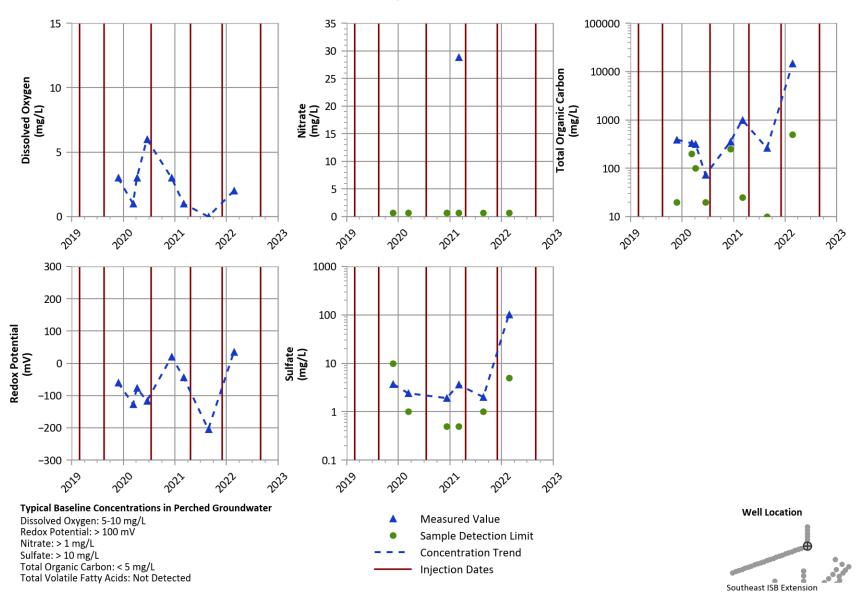
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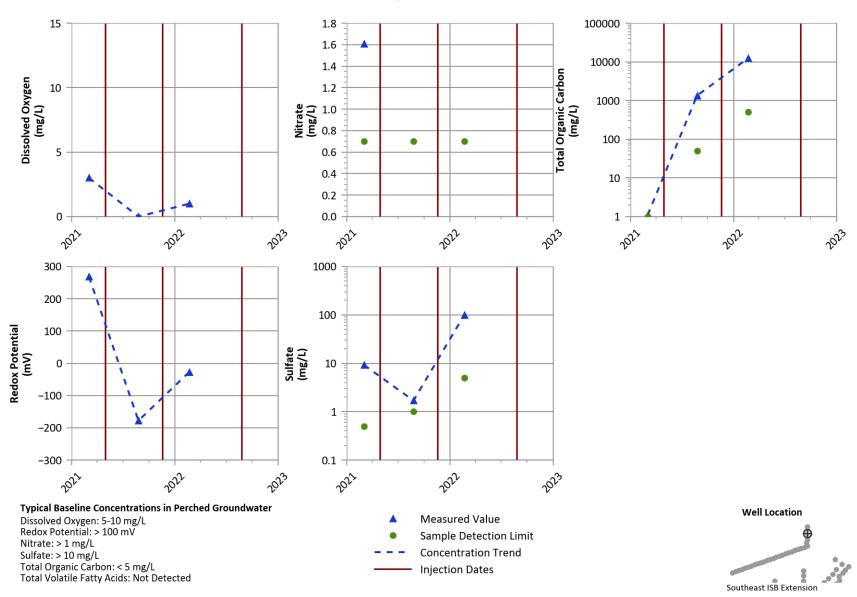
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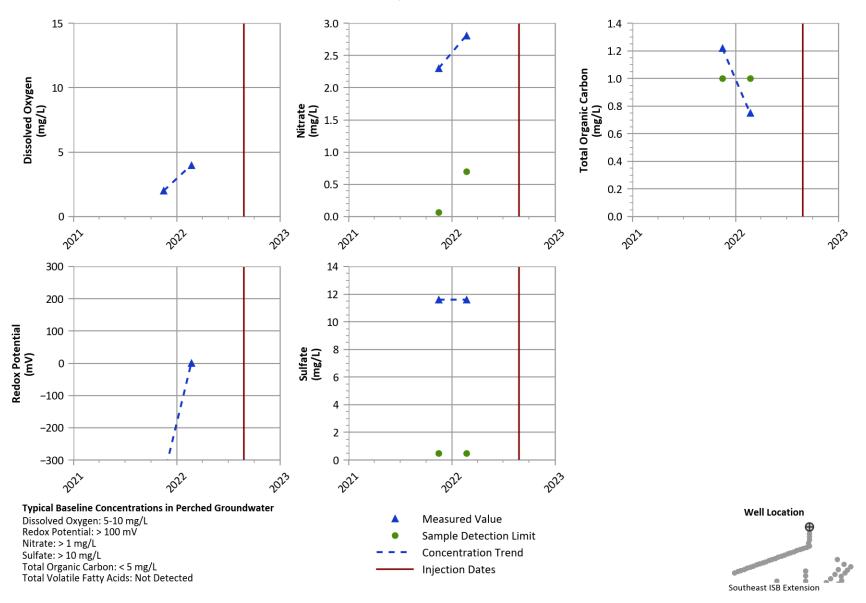
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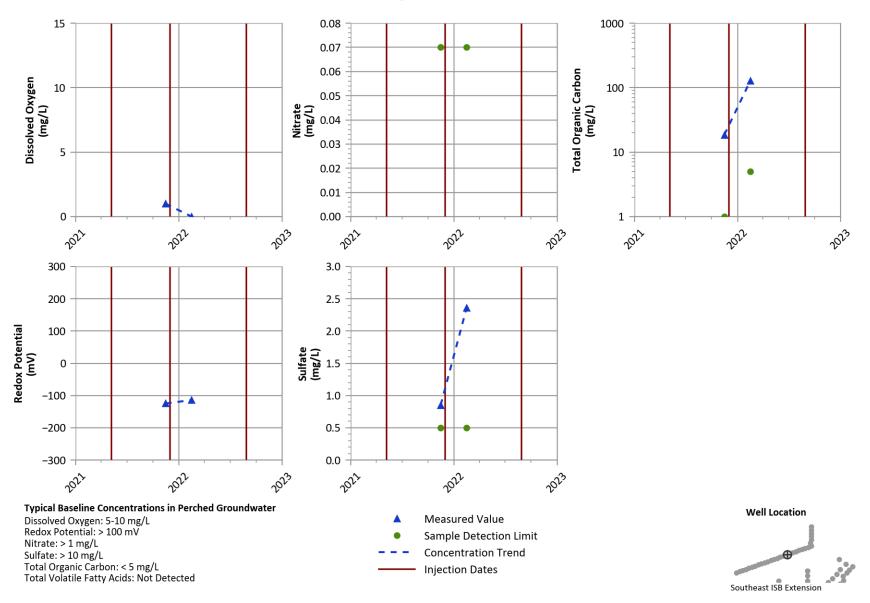
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Total Volatile Fatty Acids: Not Detected Injection Dates Southeast ISB Extension

PTX06-1213 Treatment Zone Performance Indicators USDOE/NNSA Pantex Plant

PTX06-1214 Treatment Zone Performance Indicators **USDOE/NNSA Pantex Plant** 



Southeast Ext In Situ Bioremediation System **USDOE/NNSA Pantex Plant** 180 2.2 2.0 160 1.8 140 1.6 120 1.4 XDX (1/gr) 80 XX (7/8H) 1.0 0.8 60 0.6 40 0.4 • • 20 • 0.2 0 🛂 0.0 2018 2023 2018 2020 2022 2019 2022 2023 2.2 2.2 2.0 2.0 1.8 1.8 1.6 1.6 1.4 1.4 X (1.2 mg/s) 1.0 XI (7 1.2 1.0 1.0 0.8 0.8 0.6 0.6 0.4 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.0 0.0 2022 2018 2020 2022 Most Recent Measured COC Concentrations (Aug 16, 2022) Concentration **GWPS** Measured Value **Well Location** (μg/L) COC (µg/L) Sample Detection Limit 2.0 2.0 2.0 2.0 RDX 137.0 0.926 0.318 0.982 **Concentration Trend** MNX DNX Maximum Concentration TNX 2.0 **Groundwater Protection Standard** 

PTX06-1191 Downgradient Performance Indicators

### PTX06-1194 Downgradient Performance Indicators Southeast Ext In Situ Bioremediation System USDOE/NNSA Pantex Plant

