

PNNL Impact on Hanford Cleanup:

S&T Innovations Transforming Subsurface Remediation

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- ▶ DOE Office of Science
Multi-Program National Lab
- ▶ \$1.1B in business volume
in FY09
- ▶ 4,600 staff
- ▶ Mission Outcomes:



Strengthen U.S. scientific foundations for innovation



Increase U.S. energy capacity and reduce dependence on imported oil

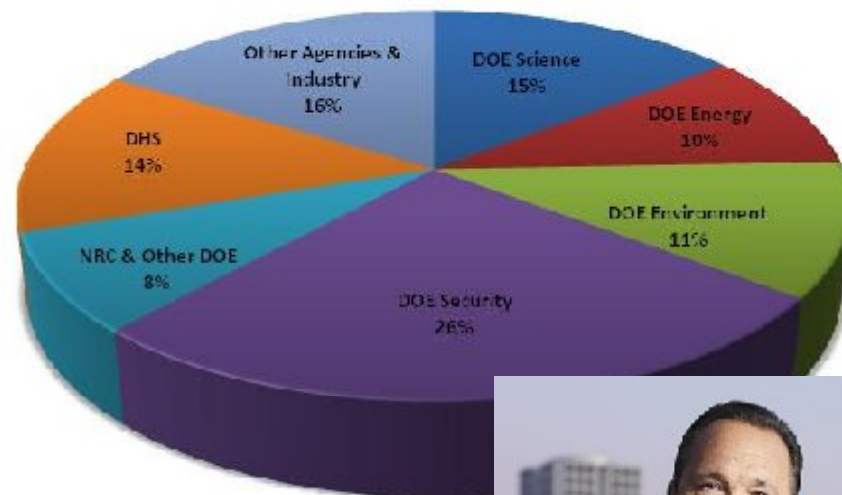


Prevent and counter terrorism and proliferation of weapons of mass destruction



Reduce environmental effects of human activity and create sustainable systems

PNNL'S FY 2008 Business Volume by Sector



Lab Director's Message:

"PNNL's core capabilities—its people, facilities, equipment, and systems—must be strong and relevant to address the nation's challenges"

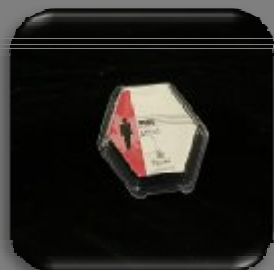


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PNNL Director



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PNNL's core capabilities support the Environmental Mission



Radiation Dosimetry and
Health Effects



Subsurface Science and
Remediation Research



Waste Treatment
Process Development



Radiochemical
Processing Research



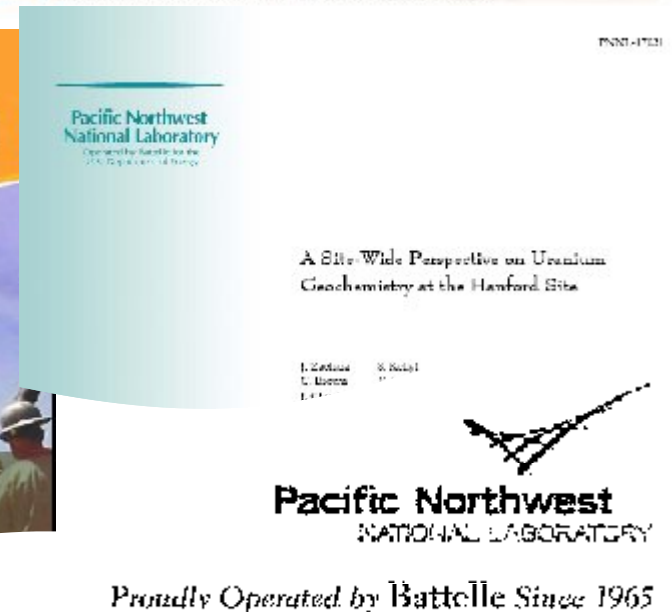
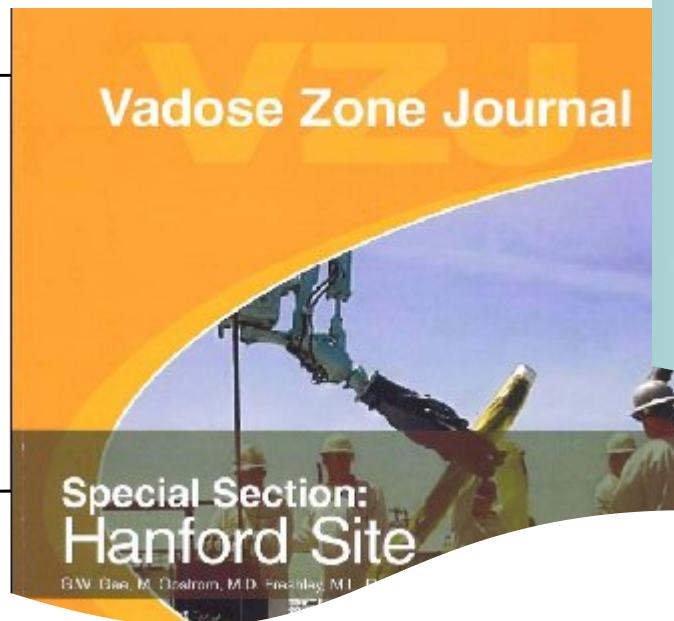
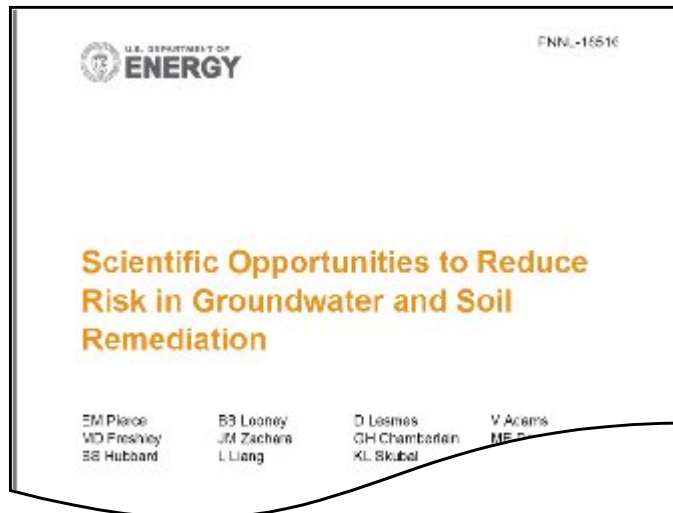
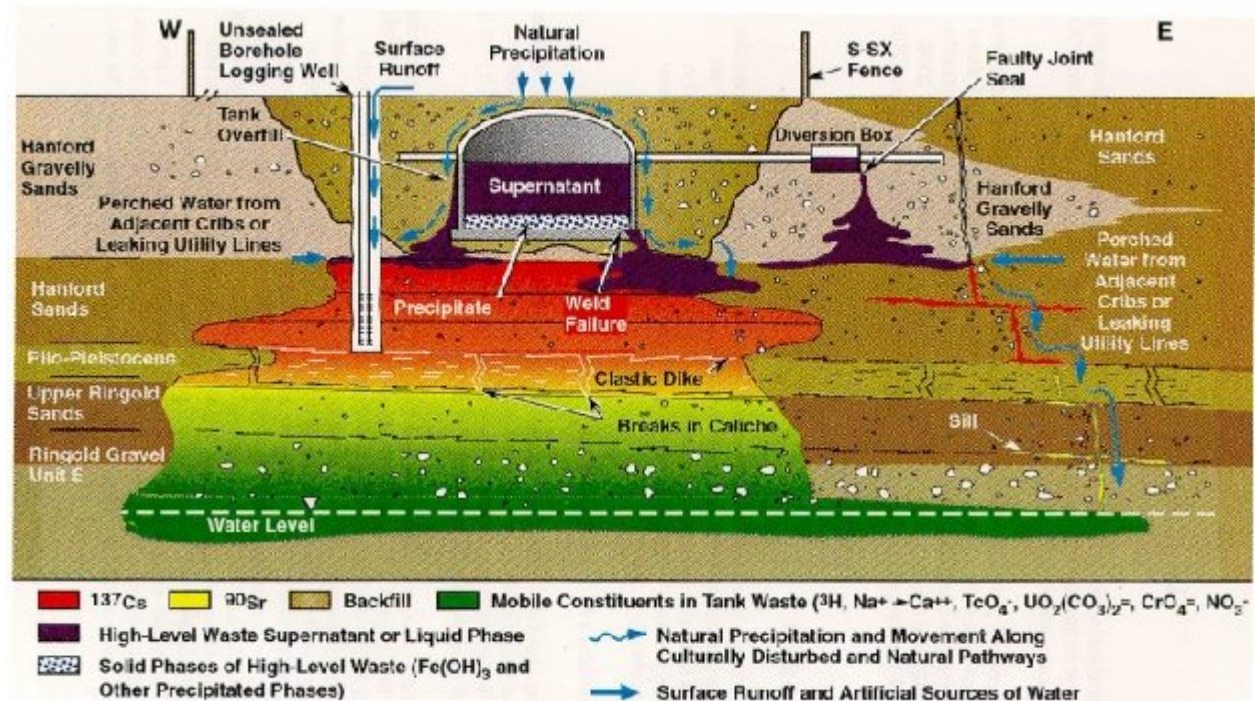
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Subsurface Science and Remediation

- ▶ Strong science and computational core competencies support resolution of complex subsurface issues

- Cs-migration below Hanford tanks
- Differences in Uranium migration behavior across the Hanford site



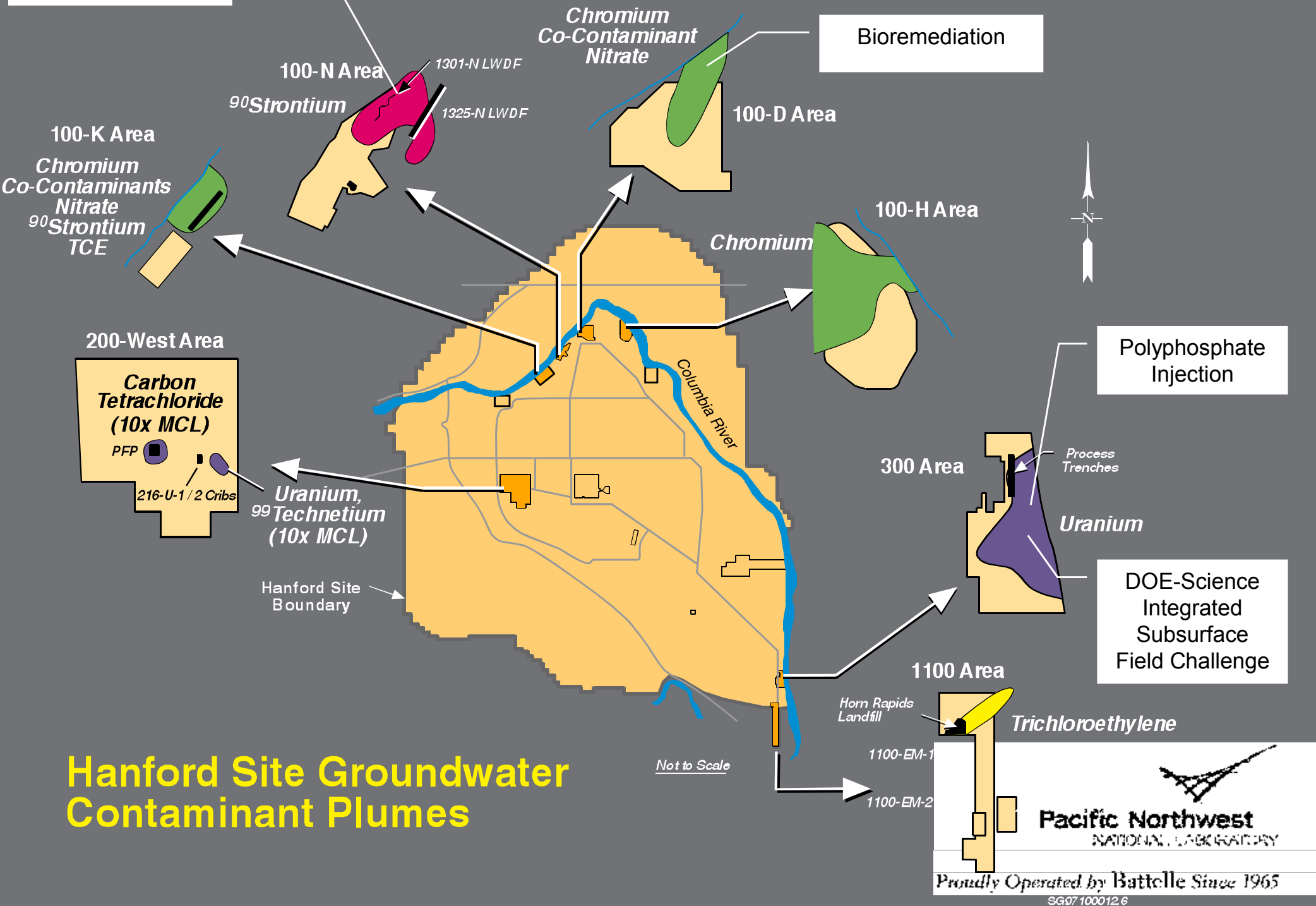
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Phytoremediation

Bioremediation

Polyphosphate
Injection

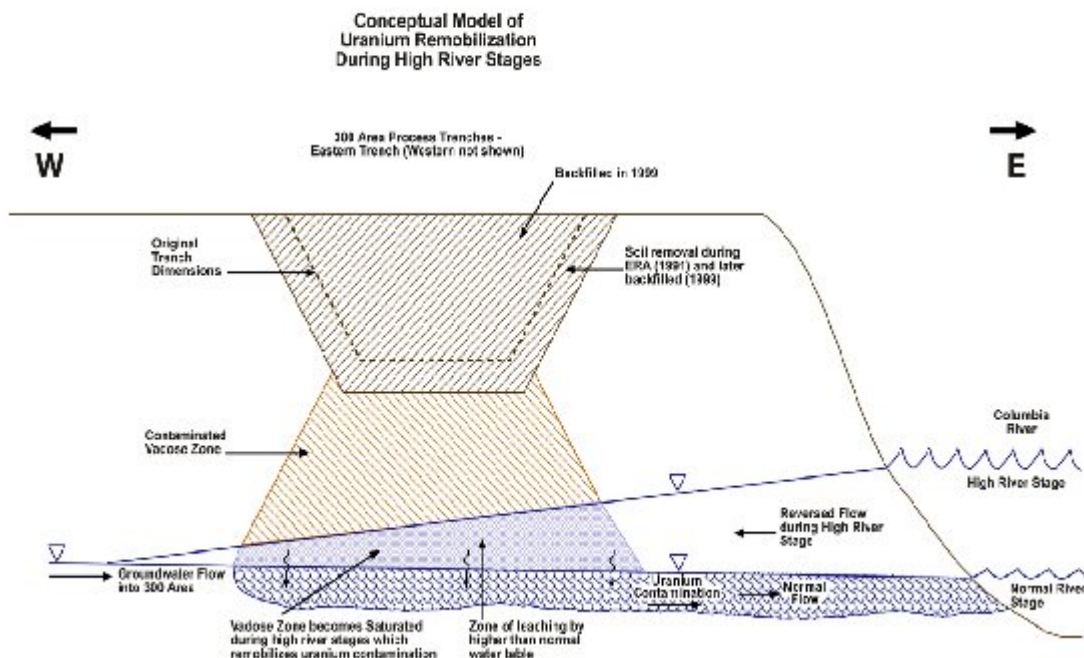
DOE-Science
Integrated
Subsurface
Field Challenge

Hanford Site Groundwater Contaminant Plumes



Example: Uranium – Hanford 300 Area

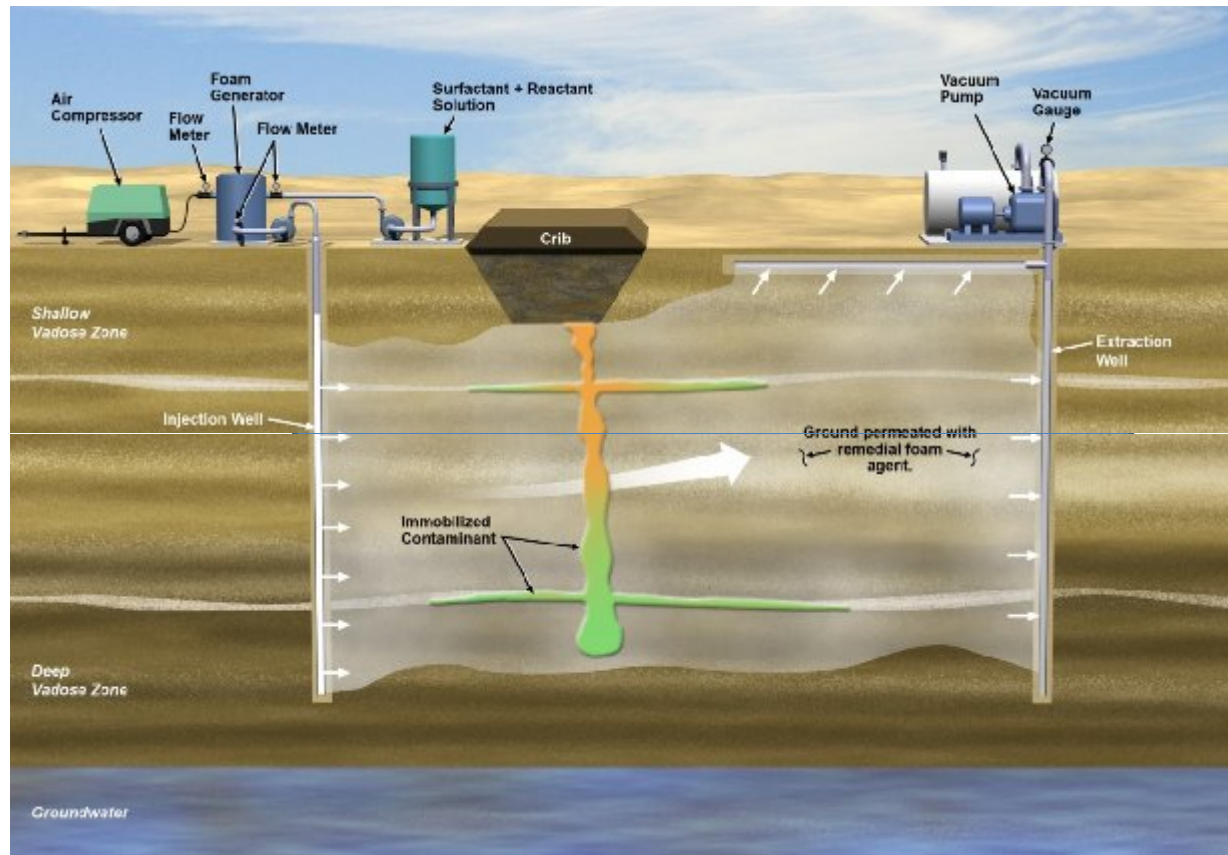
- ▶ Integrating science and applied R&D help advance transformational solutions for clean-up
- ▶ Complex site geology, geochemistry, and hydrology significantly impact remediation effectiveness



Example:

Deep Vadose Zone – Hanford Plateau

- ▶ Deep vadose zone limits options, effectiveness of conventional clean-up approaches
- ▶ Science- and technology-based innovations lead to new approaches
 - Desiccation
 - Foam-delivered reactive agents





PNNL science and innovation underpins Hanford cleanup decisions and delivers transformational solutions for the most complex environmental challenges

- Persistent soil and groundwater contamination
- Deep vadose zone remediation



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