

ITRC – Who We Are & What We Do

Background:

Host Organization



- <u>Network</u>
 - State regulators 50 States!!!
 - Federal government
 - Industry
 - Consultants
 - Academia
 - Community stakeholders
- Documents
 - Technical and regulatory guidance documents
 - Technology overviews
 - Case studies
- Training
 - Internet-based
 - Classroom





Industrial Affiliates Program

Contaminated Sediments Team by Kim Ward, NJDEP on behalf of ITRC



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Contaminated Sediments Team: Problem Statement

- Quantification of chemical constituents in sediments is relatively simple; however,
 - No clear understanding of the regulatory endpoint once identified exceedance of regulatory guidelines;
 - No guidance on how to characterize sediments and bioavailability to develop a remediation strategy; and,
 - Zack of State, Federal and Industry understanding of what governs chemical exposure and how to measure it.



Contaminated Sediments Team: Project Description

- Develop a Tech-Reg Guidance document about the contaminated sediment investigative processes
 - including the 3-dimensional delineation of source term
 - characterization of exposure term using tools to evaluate bioavailability
 - tool to assess the optimal remedial alternative for the site by understanding what is the exposure threat



Team Membership

• State:

- CA, OR , PA , NH , DE , SC , NY, NJ , WA
- Other Agencies British Columbia Ministry of Environment

• Federal:

- Navy, Army, USGS, EPA, Army Corp.



Data Collection

• Case Study Survey:

- where bioavailability has been measured/calculated and used to develop cleanup levels at contaminated sediment sites.
- to obtain a basic understanding of :
 - the methods used to quantify sediment contaminant bioavailability,
 - how these methods were used in a RA to develop cleanup levels.



Evaluate and Report:

- use of bioavailability within the framework of

Expected Products

1. Bioavailability Overview -

- summarize literature reviews/case studies that assess contaminant bioavailability in site characterization process;
- define terms: bioavailability, biotransformation, bioconcentration and biomagnification; and,
- measurement tools associated with these terms.

2. Tech-Reg Guidance: Characterization of Contaminated Sediments with focus on the Application of Bioavailability

• Investigative process of characterizing potentially contaminated sediments and how bioavailability fits into that process

