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**SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER ON CONSENT STATEMENT OF WORK
SECTION 6 AND SECTION 7 RISK-BASED DECISION CRITERIA AND
SENTINEL NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PLANS, RED HILL BULK FUEL
STORAGE FACILITY (RED HILL), JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM,
OAHU, HAWAII**

The Risk-Based Decision Criteria and Sentinel Well Network Development Plans for Red Hill pursuant to the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) Statement of Work (SOW) Section 6, Investigation and Remediation of Releases, and Section 7, Groundwater Protection and Evaluation are enclosed.

The Risk-Based Decision Criteria Development Plan (Enclosure 1) describes the development of risk-based decision criteria and evaluation of current site-specific risk-based levels (SSRBLs) for inclusion in AOC SOW Section 6 and Section 7 deliverables and subsequently, in an update to the Groundwater Protection Plan.

The Sentinel Well Network Development Plan (Enclosure 2) outlines the technical approach for evaluating and establishing a sentinel well network for existing drinking water production locations within the study area in order to provide early warning of potential impacts by chemicals of potential concern to drinking water production locations and monitor groundwater flow to help ensure potential contamination are adequately contained, if needed.

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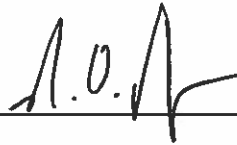
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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

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2	µg	microgram
3	AOC	Administrative Order on Consent
4	BWS	Board of Water Supply, City and County of Honolulu
5	CF&T	contaminant fate and transport
6	CLEAN	Comprehensive Long-Term Environmental Action Navy
7	COPC	chemical of potential concern
8	CSM	conceptual site model
9	CTO	contract task order
10	DLA	Defense Logistics Agency
11	DOH	Department of Health, State of Hawai‘i
12	DON	Department of the Navy, United States
13	EPA	Environmental Protection Agency, United States
14	ft	foot/feet
15	g	gram
16	gal	gallon
17	GWPP	Groundwater Protection Plan
18	JBPHH	Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam
19	JP	Jet Fuel Propellant
20	L	liter
21	msl	mean sea level
22	NAPL	non-aqueous-phase liquid
23	NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
24	NAVFAC	Naval Facilities Engineering Command
25	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
26	RBDC	risk-based decision criteria
27	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
28	SOW	scope of work
29	SSRBL	Site-Specific Risk-Based Level
30	TPH	total petroleum hydrocarbons
31	WP	work plan

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1. Introduction

This document presents the plan for evaluating and establishing a sentinel monitoring well network (groundwater monitoring wells and potentially soil vapor wells or vapor monitoring using remote sensing techniques [e.g., thermal imaging, multi-spectral imaging]) for protecting existing water production wells for drinking water ingestion and domestic use, as well as other potential receptors in the study area of the Investigation and Remediation of Releases and Groundwater Protection and Evaluation project at the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility (“the Facility”) at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH), Hawai‘i. The drinking water production wells in the vicinity of Red Hill include both infiltration galleries (Red Hill Shaft and Hālawā Shaft) and water supply wells (Moanalua Wells). The sentinel monitoring wells will be designed to 1) provide an early warning of potential impacts by chemicals of potential concern (COPCs) to the drinking water production wells, 2) have concentration criteria (updated Site-Specific Risk-Based Levels [SSRBLs]) that will protect drinking/domestic water use, and 3) evaluate groundwater flow gradients to help ensure potential plumes are adequately captured, if needed. The Facility is owned and operated by the United States (U.S.) Navy (DON; Navy) and is funded by Defense Logistics Agency (DLA).

The project *Work Plan / Scope of Work* (WP/SOW) (DON 2017a) presents the process, tasks, and deliverables that address the goals and requirements of Statement of Work Sections 6 and 7 of the *Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) In the Matter of Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility* (EPA Docket No: RCRA 7003-R9-2015-01; DOH Docket No: 15-UST-EA-01). The AOC was issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 9 and State of Hawai‘i Department of Health (DOH) (EPA Region 9 and DOH 2015) to the Navy/DLA in response to a release of an estimated 27,000 gallons of Jet Fuel Propellant (JP)-8 from one of the Facility’s 12.5-million-gallon underground fuel storage tanks (Tank 5) that was confirmed and reported to DOH on January 23, 2014. The bottoms of the Facility’s 20 tanks are located approximately 100 feet (ft) above a major groundwater aquifer, which is used to supply both Navy and the City and County of Honolulu drinking water sources.

The planning activities described in the project WP/SOW (DON 2017a) include the preparation of nine documents (including this *Sentinel Well Network Development Plan*), referred to as derivative deliverables, that address specific aspects of the planning process. The flowchart presented on Figure 1 shows the sequencing of the derivative deliverables, and further detail is provided in the WP/SOW. The Facility and vicinity are shown on Figure 2.

This *Sentinel Well Network Development Plan* was prepared for DLA through Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC) Hawaii under contract number (no.) N62742-12-D-1829, contract task order (CTO) no. 0053 of the Comprehensive Long-Term Environmental Action Navy (CLEAN) IV program.

1.1 PURPOSE

This plan describes the approach for evaluating and establishing a sentinel monitoring well network for existing drinking water production well locations in the vicinity of the Facility to provide an early warning system of potential impacts from the Facility to protect drinking water receptors. (as stated in the January 4, 2017 WP/SOW; DON 2017a). This plan outlines the process for the identification, evaluation, and selection of wells for the Sentinel Well Network Program, and outlays a general strategy for implementation of the program.

1 1.2 OBJECTIVE

2 The overall objective of the Sentinel Well Network Program is to establish a network of monitoring
3 wells that provides an early warning system of potential impacts from the Facility to protect drinking
4 water and other receptors. Specifically, the sentinel monitoring well network will be used to
5 accomplish two primary objectives:

- 6 1. Demonstrate that a capture zone is maintained that will contain COPCs, if needed.
- 7 2. Evaluate COPC concentrations upgradient from drinking water production wells to
8 determine the need for additional contingency action (e.g., further evaluation, more frequent
9 monitoring, treatment) to protect the water supply, as described in Section 2.7.

10 A description of the sentinel monitoring well network will be presented in the forthcoming
11 *Groundwater Monitoring Well Network Report*. Following Regulatory approval of the report and
12 subsequent *Groundwater Monitoring Well Decision Document*, the network will be incorporated in
13 the *Red Hill Groundwater Protection Plan [GWPP] Update*, as indicated on the Figure 3 AOC
14 Statement of Work Sections 6 and 7 flowchart.

15 2. Inputs for Development of Sentinel Monitoring Well Network

16 Information sources that will have direct or supporting information relevant to the development of
17 the sentinel monitoring well network may include but are not limited to the following:

- 18 • Facility information
- 19 • Fuel types
- 20 • Risk-based decision criteria (RBDC)
- 21 • Potential exposure receptors
- 22 • Conceptual site model (CSM)
 - 23 – Vadose zone
 - 24 – Saturated zone
 - 25 – Analytical groundwater data
 - 26 – Nature and extent of COPCs
 - 27 – Attenuation
- 28 • Groundwater flow modeling, particle tracking/contaminant capture zone analysis
- 29 • Contaminant fate and transport (CF&T) modeling (will be integrated into the final sentinel
30 monitoring well network but will not be used as part of interim decisions)
- 31 • Groundwater (and potentially soil vapor) analytical data
- 32 • Mass flux analyses

33 These inputs will be used to support development of the forthcoming *Groundwater Monitoring Well*
34 *Network Report*. Each of these inputs is further described in the following subsections.

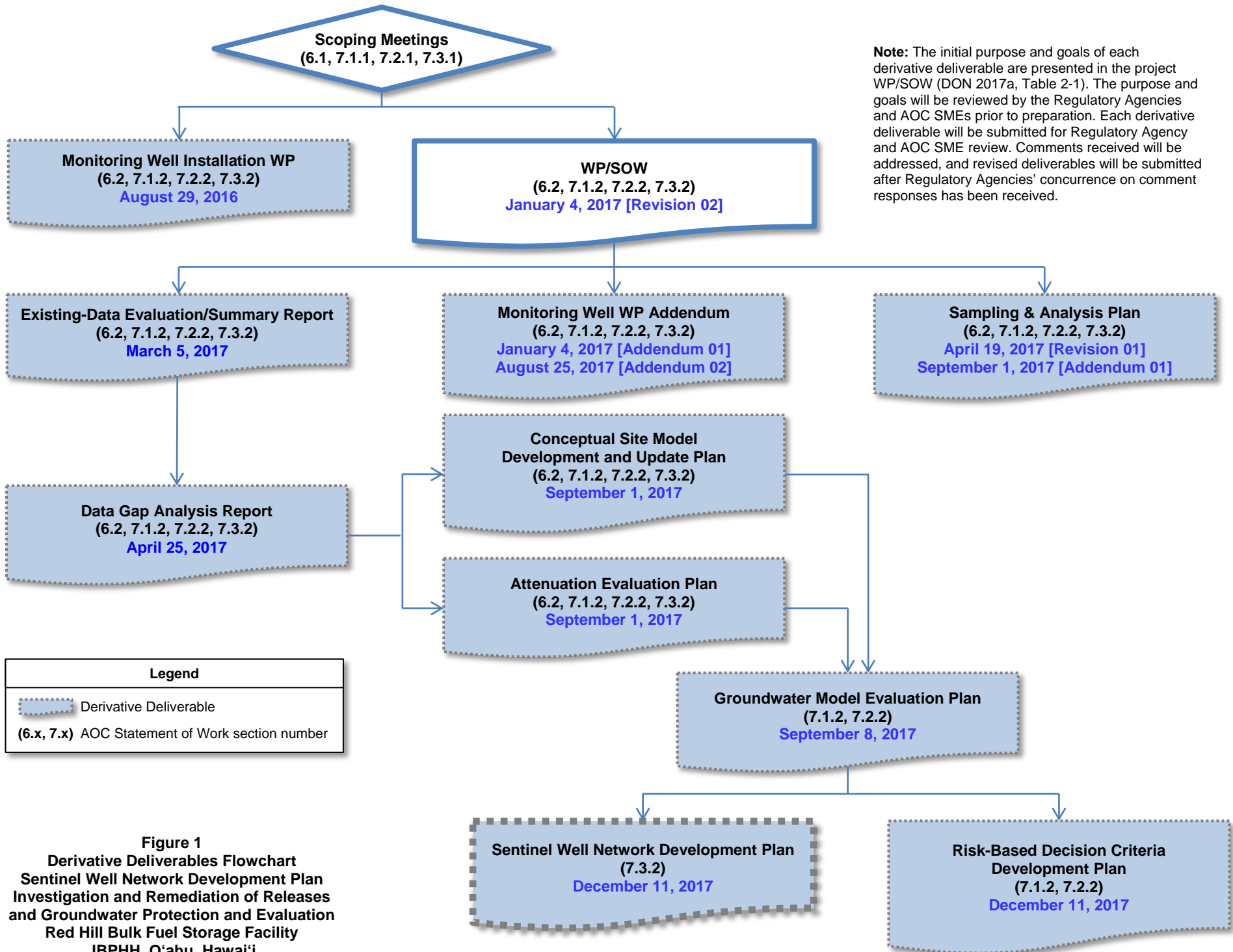


Figure 1
 Derivative Deliverables Flowchart
 Sentinel Well Network Development Plan
 Investigation and Remediation of Releases
 and Groundwater Protection and Evaluation
 Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility
 JBPHH, O'ahu, Hawai'i

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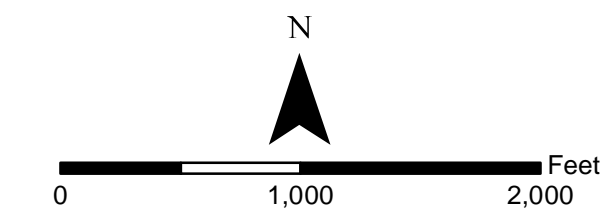
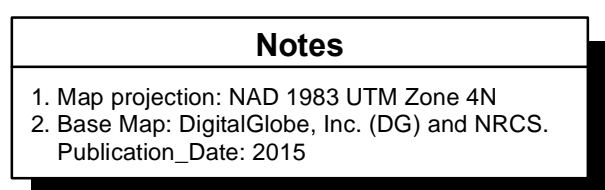
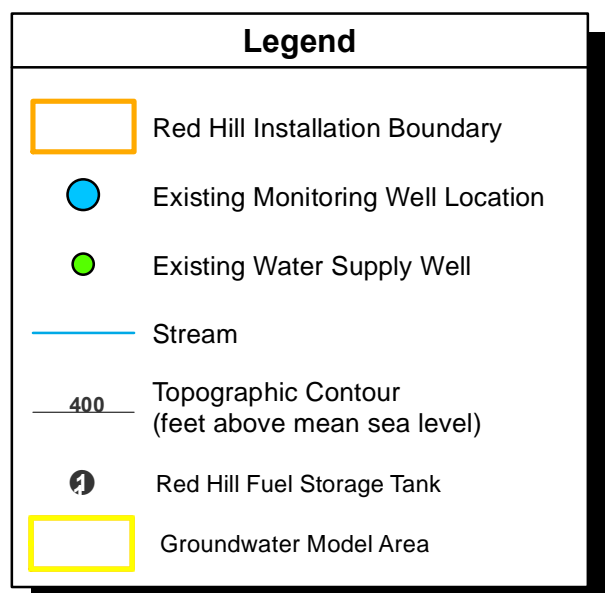
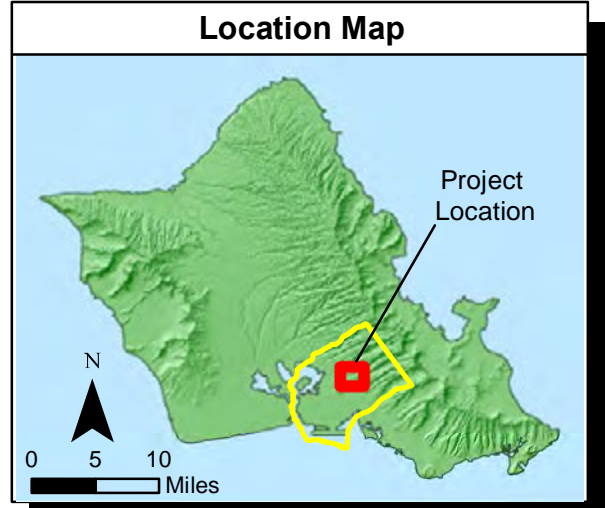
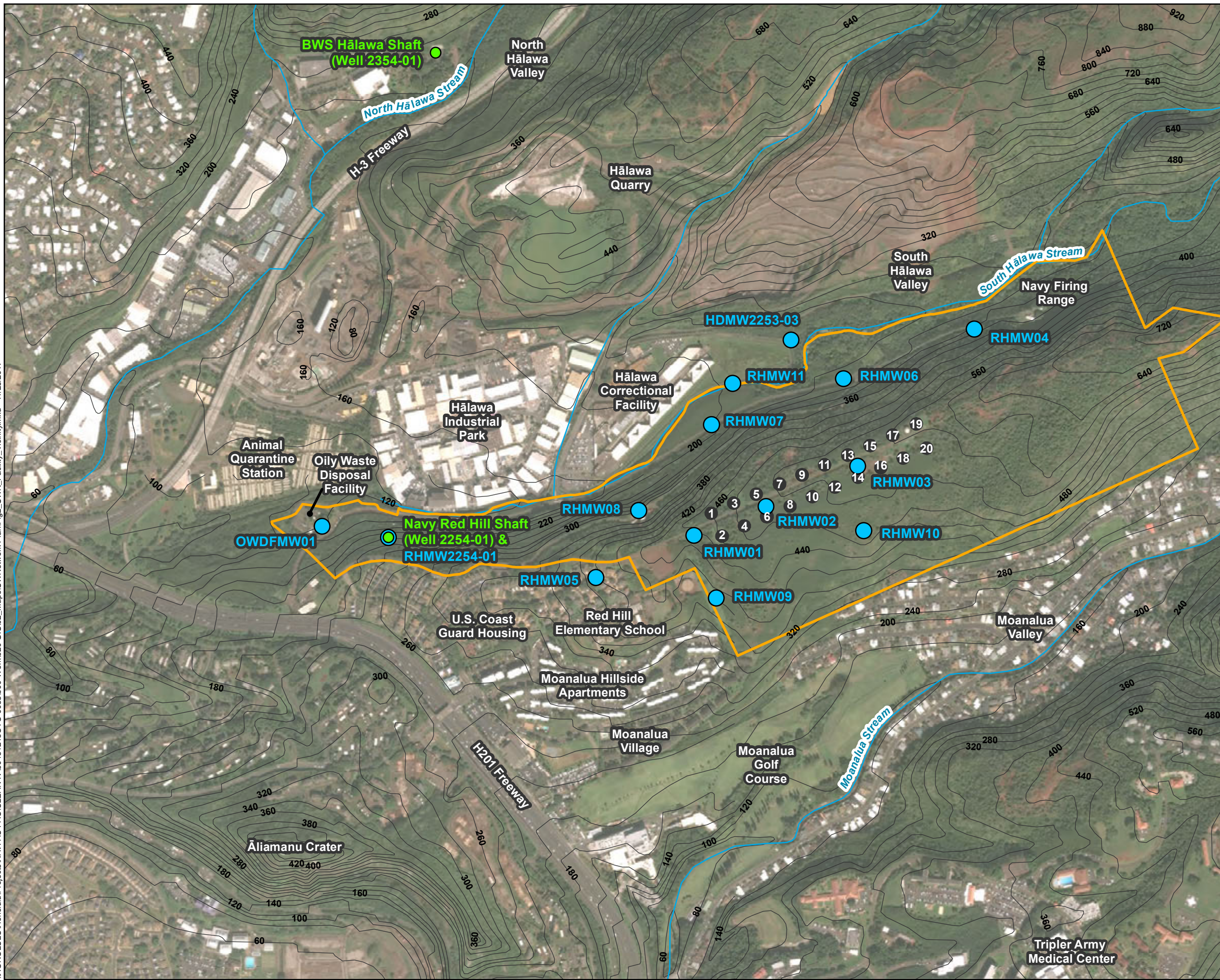


Figure 2
 Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility and Vicinity
 Sentinel Well Network Development Plan
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 and Groundwater Protection and Evaluation
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Note: Numbers in parentheses indicate AOC Statement of Work section(s).

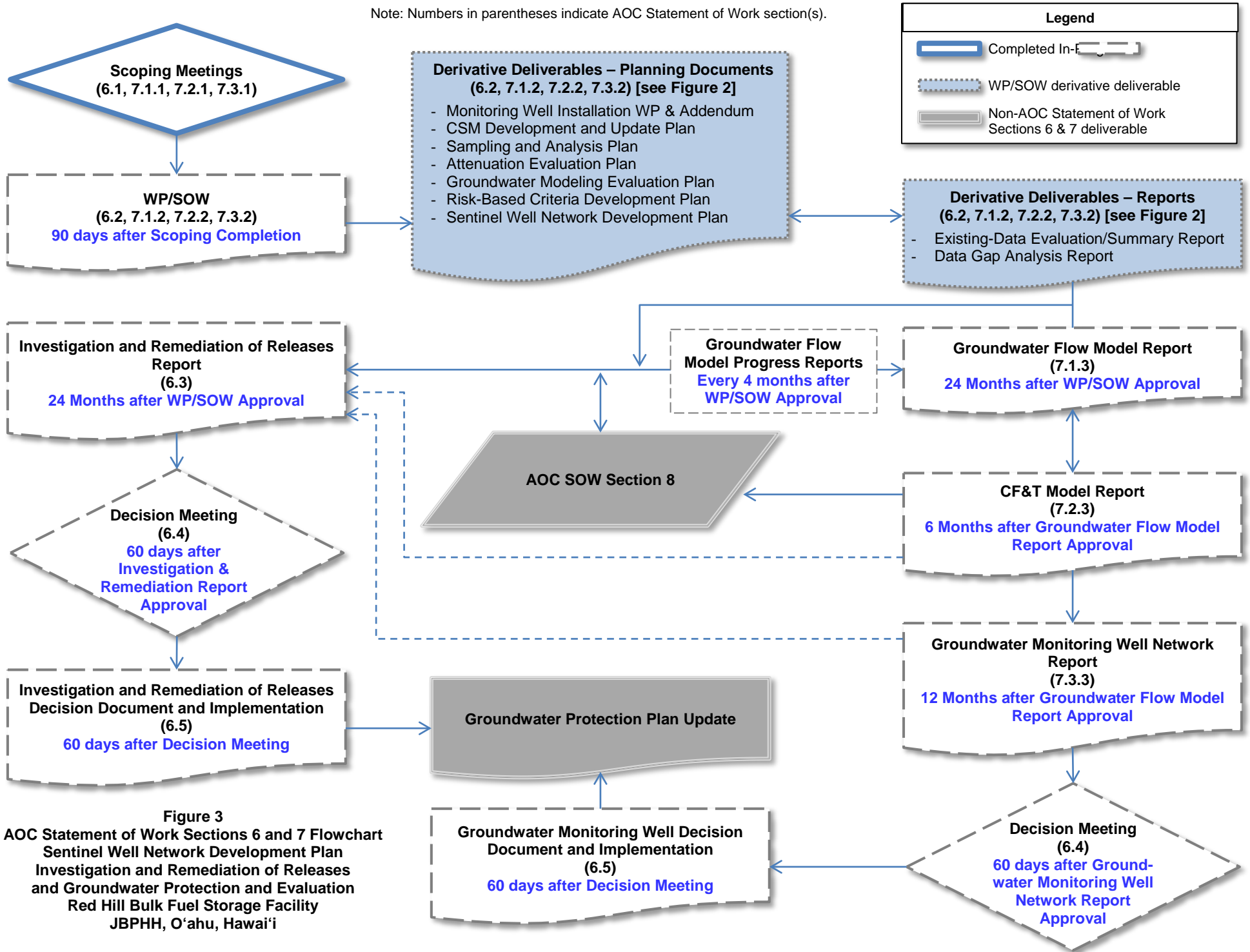


Figure 3
 AOC Statement of Work Sections 6 and 7 Flowchart
 Sentinel Well Network Development Plan
 Investigation and Remediation of Releases
 and Groundwater Protection and Evaluation
 Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility
 JBPHH, O'ahu, Hawai'i

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1 2.1 FACILITY INFORMATION

2 The Facility is located on Federal government land (zoned a mix of F-1 Military and Federal and
3 P-1 Restricted Conservation) in south-central O'ahu, approximately 2.5 miles northeast of Pearl
4 Harbor. It is located on a low ridge on the western edge of the Ko'olau Mountain Range that divides
5 Hālawā Valley from Moanalua Valley. The Facility is bordered on the north by Hālawā Correctional
6 Facility and private businesses, on the southwest by the U.S. Coast Guard reservation, on the south
7 by residential neighborhoods, and on the east by Moanalua Valley and conservation land. The
8 Hālawā Quarry is located less than a quarter mile away to the northwest. The Facility occupies
9 144 acres of land, and the majority of the site surface is at an elevation of approximately 200–500 ft
10 above mean sea level (msl).

11 The Facility currently contains 18 active and 2 inactive underground fuel storage tanks that are
12 operated by the Navy. Each tank measures approximately 250 ft in height and 100 ft in diameter and
13 has a capacity of approximately 12.5 million gallons. The tanks are constructed of steel-lined
14 concrete and currently contain Jet Fuel Propellant (JP)-5, NATO-grade F-24 jet fuel, and Marine
15 Diesel Fuel (F-76).

16 The upper domes of the tanks are 100–200 ft below ground surface (bgs), and the lower domes of the
17 tanks are at least 100 ft above the basal aquifer, which is located at approximately 18–20 ft msl. The
18 tanks are connected by upper and lower access tunnels, which contain light rail systems, water and
19 electrical utilities, ventilation systems, and fuel pipelines. In the lower tunnel, each tank is connected
20 by a short access tunnel, which branches off from the main service tunnel and terminates at a
21 “face-wall” under each tank. Ancillary piping extends from each face-wall to connect to the fuel
22 transmission lines, which run approximately 2.5 miles from the Facility to a JBPHH fuel pumping
23 station at Pearl Harbor.

24 Within the lower tunnel system, NAVFAC Hawaii, Utilities and Energy Division, operates a potable
25 water pumping station at Navy Supply Well 2254-01.

26 2.2 FUEL TYPES

27 Kerosene-based jet fuels stored at the facility have included JP-5, JP-8, and F-24. In addition, F-76 is
28 a marine diesel fuel that is also stored at the Facility. In January 2014, the Navy reported that JP-8
29 fuel was released from Tank 5. Although these jet fuels are all kerosene-based, the fuel's exact
30 composition of aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons will vary depending on the crude oil source used
31 to refine the fuels (ATSDR 2017). The *Attenuation Evaluation Plan* (DON 2017b) outlines planned
32 source studies on the fuels involving detailed hydrocarbon analysis and carbon fractionation analysis.
33 The insight into compositional changes in the fuel may inform some elements of the CSM within
34 both the vadose zone and the saturated zone.

35 2.3 RISK-BASED DECISION CRITERIA DEVELOPMENT PLAN

36 The process for establishing RBDC for water supply wells and SSRBLs for specific monitoring
37 wells is described in the *RBDC Development Plan* (DON 2017d). The general goals of that plan
38 include the following:

- 39 • Evaluate site risk to tap (potable/domestic) water users
- 40 • Support Section 6 and Section 7 of the AOC Statement of Work
- 41 – Section 6: Investigation and Remediation of Releases

- 1 – Section 7: Groundwater Protection and Evaluation
- 2 • Develop site-specific RBDC that will be applied to the drinking water tap
- 3 – Consistent with applicable Regulatory guidance and project-specific agreements
- 4 – COPCs with established Regulatory criteria
- 5 – Modify COPC screening criteria that do not have established Regulatory criteria (e.g.,
- 6 total petroleum hydrocarbons) as appropriate to develop site-specific levels

7 The RBDC are criteria that are not to be exceeded at the drinking water tap. The RBDC will either
8 consist of currently established Regulatory screening criteria or be developed for COPCs that do not
9 have current established Regulatory screening criteria.

10 The RBDC will be used along with mass flux of COPCs in groundwater to tap water receptors to
11 establish SSRBLs for sentry wells to ensure that drinking water is protected at the tap. Individual
12 SSRBLs will be established for each sentry well. The SSRBL will account for mass flux and COPC
13 concentration at the well, as described in Section 2.7. The SSRBL will be used as an indicator (early
14 warning system) that additional contingency action (e.g., further evaluation, more frequent
15 monitoring, treatment) is needed to prevent COPC concentrations at the drinking water tap from
16 exceeding the RBDC if the SSRBL is exceeded.

17 **2.4 POTENTIAL EXPOSURE RECEPTORS**

18 Water supply well locations and potential receptors and exposure pathways are discussed below.

19 **2.4.1 Water Supply Well Locations**

20 Water supply wells near the Facility have been identified as transport mechanisms in potentially
21 complete exposure pathways, as reported in the *RBDC Development Plan* (DON 2017d). Currently,
22 it is presumed that the Navy's Red Hill Shaft and the City and County of Honolulu Board of Water
23 Supply (BWS) municipal water supply wells Hālawā Shaft and Moanalua Wells represent the most
24 significant pathways to human receptors due to their known or suspected pumping influence on the
25 aquifer beneath the Facility, the size of their drinking water distribution system(s), and location
26 relative to potential downgradient groundwater flow direction in the vicinity of the Facility.
27 Additional detail is presented in the *Groundwater Model Evaluation Plan* (DON 2017c).

28 **2.4.2 Identified Potential Receptors**

29 Potential exposure to human receptors for ingestion, dermal contact, and inhalation via the
30 groundwater-to-potable water pathway is currently the only potentially complete exposure route for
31 residents (Figure 4). The basis for the development of the Sentinel Well Network Program is
32 primarily oriented around this exposure pathway, i.e., focusing on protection of drinking/domestic
33 water ending at residential taps.

CONTRIBUTING SOURCE	TRANSPORT MECHANISM & EXPOSURE MEDIUM	EXPOSURE ROUTE*	RECEPTORS				
			Resident (Adult/Child)	Onsite Occupational Worker	Onsite Construction Worker	Onsite Visitor	
Releases from Red Hill Fuel Storage Tanks	Surface Soil	Direct Contact with Surface Soil	INGESTION:	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete
			DERMAL:	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete
	Subsurface Soil	Direct Contact with Subsurface Soil	INGESTION:	Incomplete	Incomplete	Potentially Complete ¹	Incomplete
			DERMAL:	Incomplete	Incomplete	Potentially Complete ¹	Incomplete
		Volatilization & Dispersion to Tunnel Air	INHALATION:	Incomplete	Potentially Complete ¹	Potentially Complete ¹	Potentially Complete ¹
	Infiltration to Groundwater		INGESTION:	Potentially Complete	Potentially Complete ¹	Incomplete	Incomplete
			DERMAL:	Potentially Complete	Potentially Complete ¹	Incomplete	Incomplete
			INHALATION (BATHING/SHOWERING):	Potentially Complete	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete
			INHALATION/VAPOR INTRUSION:	Insignificant	Insignificant	Insignificant	Insignificant
		Groundwater Discharge to Surface Water	ALL PATHWAYS:	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete
	Use of Groundwater for Irrigation	ALL PATHWAYS:	Insignificant	Incomplete	Incomplete	Incomplete	

Red outlined cells indicate pathways that are relevant to the Risk-Based Decision Criteria (RBDC) development.

¹ Other Potentially Complete pathways do not warrant RBDC:

- Although unlikely, releases inside the tunnel could affect soil that could be accessed by a construction/utility worker in an excavation/trench.
- Potential exposure to soil gas from fuel system releases assumed to be covered under the Navy's OSHA programs.
- The Fuel Storage Facility uses the public water supply. RBDC for residents would also protect workers.

Figure 4
Human Health Exposure Pathway Evaluation for Groundwater

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1 The *RBDC Development Plan* outlines the process for evaluating risk and deriving RBDC for the
2 water supply wells (DON 2017d). The *RBDC Development Plan* has detailed the current exposure
3 routes and receptors associated with potentially contaminated groundwater, identified based on
4 various factors:

- 5 • Contaminant source (release from Facility fuel storage tanks)
- 6 • Contaminated media (groundwater)
- 7 • Chemical migration pathways (groundwater flow)
- 8 • Exposure pathways (ingestion, dermal contact, inhalation)
- 9 • Current and future human receptors (offsite residents)

10 **2.4.3 Pathways Incorporated into RBDC Development Plan**

11 Human exposure to drinking water via groundwater intake to water supply wells and their
12 distribution system is the primary potentially complete exposure pathway. Other pathways
13 recognized in the CSM (direct exposure to soil, inhalation of soil gas, vapor intrusion, exposure via
14 garden irrigation, exposure to golf course irrigation water) were identified as insignificant or
15 incomplete exposure pathways compared to exposure to tap water. The identification as insignificant
16 or incomplete for these other exposure pathways was based on the following:

- 17 • Although unlikely, releases inside the tunnel could affect soil that could be accessed by a
18 construction/utility worker in an excavation/trench.
- 19 • Potential exposure to soil gas from fuel system releases assumed to be covered under the
20 Navy's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) programs.
- 21 • The Facility uses the public water supply, and RBDC for residents would also protect
22 workers.
- 23 • The nearest golf course with an irrigation well is located approximately 1 mile southwest of
24 the tank farm, and COPC concentrations potentially affecting this well will be detected by
25 the sentry well network.

26 Water supply wells near the Facility are transport mechanisms in potentially complete groundwater
27 exposure pathways. Water supply wells near the Facility are discussed in Section 2.4.1.

28 **2.5 COMPREHENSIVE CSM**

29 The *CSM Development and Update Plan* (DON 2017d) was prepared to describe the evaluation of
30 contaminant transport pathways and the potential for exposure of human and ecological receptors in
31 support of the current Facility investigation. The CSM is currently under development and will be a
32 central tool to provide data and conceptual insights to support the process for the sentinel monitoring
33 well network development. The processes currently under evaluation and analysis include the
34 following:

- 35 • Physical geologic and hydrogeologic nature of materials surrounding the Facility tanks and
36 within the model boundaries
- 37 • Pathways and barriers to fuel migration
- 38 • Fuel and COPC sources in the model domain

- 1 • Fuel properties (e.g., effective solubility, Henry's Law constant, vapor pressure, density) and
2 calculated/estimated volatilization and dissolution
- 3 • Weathering and biodegradation of both non-aqueous-phase liquid (NAPL) and
4 dissolved-phase COPCs, and differentiating total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) using
5 indicator compounds
- 6 • Vadose zone moisture content and groundwater recharge
- 7 • Groundwater levels, groundwater flow gradients, and flow directions
- 8 • Water-transmitting and storage properties of basalt aquifers, variably saturated zones, and
9 aquitards
- 10 • Effects of pumping and capture zone analysis
- 11 • Spatial and temporal distribution of COPCs in groundwater
- 12 • Natural attenuation
- 13 • Fate and transport of dissolved COPCs
- 14 • Soil vapor data (primary COPCs and biodegradation products carbon dioxide, oxygen, and
15 methane)
- 16 • Temperature data in the vadose zone due to NAPL biodegradation
- 17 • Potential exposure routes to receptors

18 **2.6 GROUNDWATER MODEL**

19 The groundwater flow and CF&T models and the CSM play a critical role in evaluating proposed
20 sentinel monitoring wells. Of primary importance to the function of sentinel monitoring wells is
21 definition of groundwater flow paths, determination of groundwater flow gradients, and
22 determination of COPC concentrations. Developed and verified models will provide a means to
23 assess transport of potential COPCs and the fate of COPCs in terms of the attenuation processes and
24 mass flux. Details of the modeling are provided in the *Groundwater Model Evaluation Plan* (DON
25 2017c).

26 **2.7 CAPTURE ZONE ANALYSIS**

27 As noted in Section 1.2, a key objective of the Sentinel Well Network Program is to monitor the
28 effectiveness of a capture zone that extends outward from the Facility capable of adequately
29 containing potential contamination from inadvertent fuel releases of varying magnitudes and rates.
30 The purpose of establishing the capture zone is to:

- 31 • Protect Hālawa Shaft.
- 32 • Protect wells in Moanalua Valley.
- 33 • Protect the aquifer outside of the capture zone.
- 34 • Allow other water supply wells to continue operation.

35 Optimal pumping rates for maintaining a capture zone can be determined while also allowing for
36 continued operation of Hālawa Shaft and Moanalua Wells. Sentinel groundwater monitoring wells
37 will be used to monitor and evaluate degree of capture (i.e., groundwater flow gradients), and assess
38 if potential contamination from inadvertent fuel releases from the Facility is adequately contained.

1 Figure 5 presents a hypothetical capture zone based on a network of sentinel monitoring wells and
2 the groundwater flow model. The groundwater flow model including particle tracking model will be
3 used for analysis.

4 Sentinel monitoring wells will have established SSRBLs based on an integration of the RBDC
5 described in the *RBDC Development Plan* (Section 2.3) combined with a back-calculation of
6 concentrations at the exposure point (tap water) that can be determined based on mass flux and
7 plume concentration, as noted in the following:

$$\frac{\text{Mass Flux} / \text{Mass Discharge}}{C_{\text{rhw}}} = (M_d / Q_{\text{rhs}}) C_f$$

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10 where:

11	C_{rhw}	concentration of contaminant “x” in Red Hill Shaft water (parts per billion)
12	M_d	mass discharge (grams per day)
13	Q_{rhs}	flow rate of Red Hill Shaft necessary to achieve capture
14	CF	conversion factor (184 micrograms per gallon per day [$\mu\text{g-gal-day}$] / grams 15 per liter per day [g-L-day])

16 An individual SSRBL will be established for each sentry well. The SSRBL will provide an early
17 warning system that, if the SSRBL is exceeded, indicates that additional contingency action (e.g.,
18 further evaluation, more frequent monitoring, treatment) is needed to prevent COPC concentrations
19 at the drinking water tap from exceeding the RBDC. Details on additional action to be taken will be
20 provided in a forthcoming Red Hill GWPP Update (DON 2014).

21 **3. Identification, Evaluation, and Selection of Sentinel Monitoring** 22 **Wells**

23 This section describes the process to identify, evaluate, and select sentinel monitoring wells. Two
24 primary functions of the sentinel monitoring well network are anticipated: 1) hydraulic
25 head/groundwater flow gradients to provide confirmation that the capture zone developed during the
26 capture zone analysis described in Section 2.7 is effective, and 2) effective monitoring of SSRBL
27 concentrations of the selected COPCs. A chart of the overall process is presented on Figure 6.

28 The proposed process to identify, evaluate, and select sentinel monitoring locations includes:

- 29 1. Identify sentinel monitoring wells
- 30 2. Screen against identified criteria
- 31 3. Qualitatively rank based on criteria
- 32 4. Select sentinel monitoring wells

33 **3.1 IDENTIFICATION OF SENTINEL MONITORING WELLS**

34 The initial selection of sentinel monitoring wells will consider a broad spectrum of all potential
35 locations, including:

- 36 • All Red Hill groundwater monitoring wells currently in the monitoring well network
- 37 • Future wells that are added to the Red Hill monitoring network
- 38 • Water supply and observation wells and/or shafts where there is access

- 1 • Specific levels or intervals within multi-level wells currently being installed at the site or
2 adjacent to the site

3 **3.2 EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR SENTINEL MONITORING WELLS**

4 The final groundwater flow model and CF&T model along with the comprehensive CSM for the site
5 will provide key tools to evaluate the criteria and will provide documentation of the overall process
6 during the decision phase of the sentinel planning. The interim model and initial Sentinel Well
7 Network Program will not directly consider contaminant attenuation as part of fate and transport,
8 since this will be done at a later time. The criteria for selection of sentinel monitoring wells are
9 divided into primary and secondary criteria. The primary criteria are based on central functions of
10 the sentinel monitoring wells and will be weighted heavier during the evaluation process. Secondary
11 criteria are important factors to be considered during the evaluation. The proposed criteria are
12 presented below:

13 **Primary Criteria**

- 14 • Horizontal and vertical location of the well and screen interval
- 15 • Gradient relationship to source and receptors
- 16 • Suitability based on groundwater flow paths and plume capture analysis
- 17 • Ability to determine if releases are emanating from different parts of the Facility
- 18 • Integration with RBDC

19 **Secondary Criteria**

- 20 • Well construction
- 21 • Historical detection of COPCs
- 22 • General water chemistry
- 23 • Proximity to groundwater barriers and boundary conditions

24 Each of the above criteria is detailed below.

25 **3.2.1 Primary Criteria**

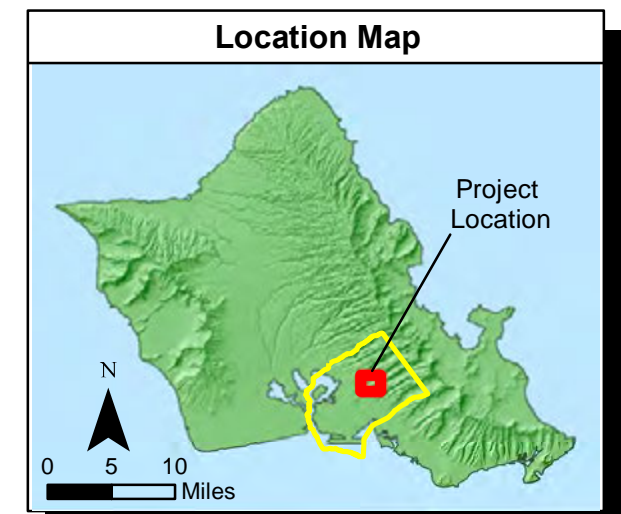
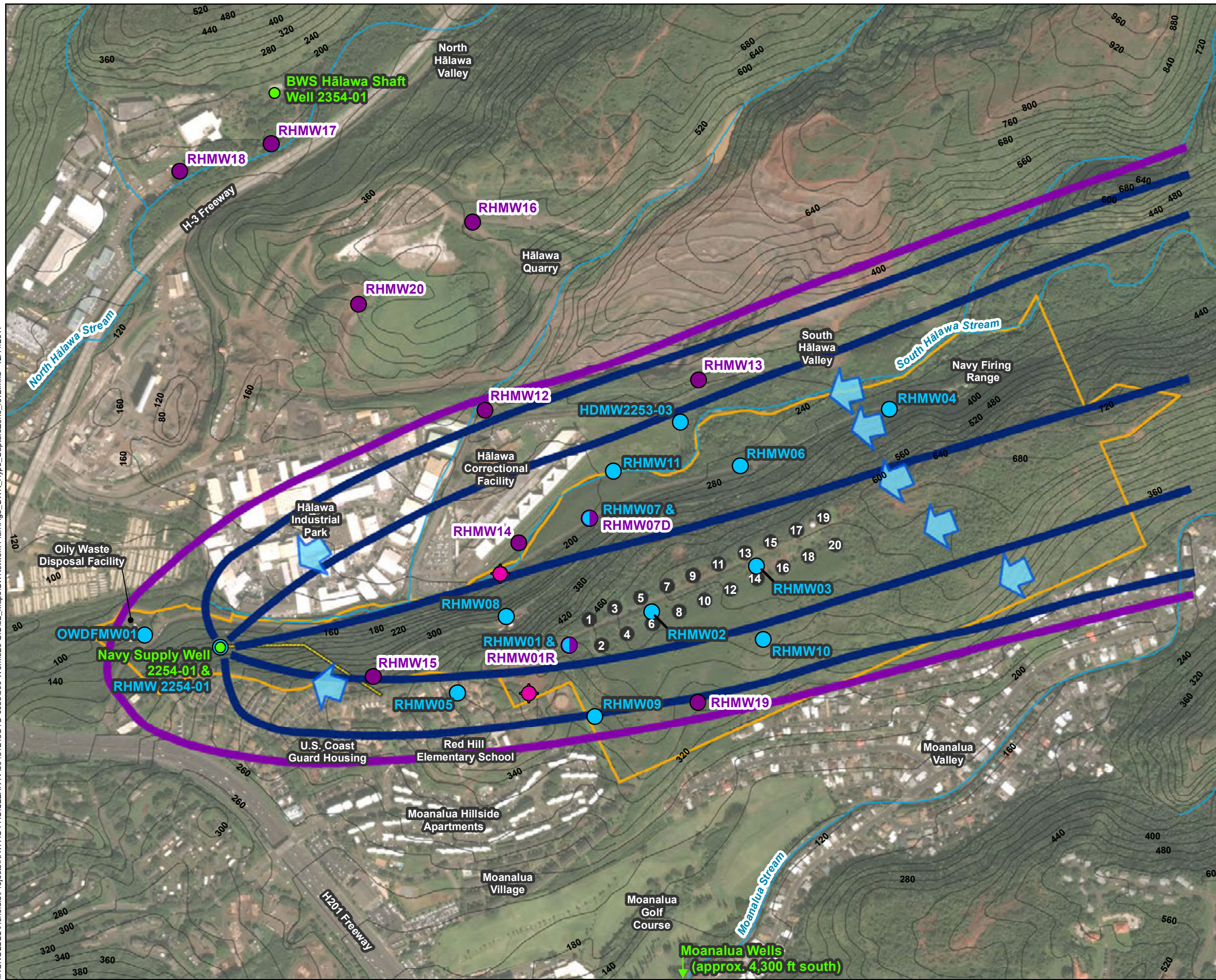
26 As stated above, the primary criteria are based on central functions of the sentinel monitoring wells
27 and will be weighted heavier during the evaluation process. The criteria are based on the spatial and
28 hydraulic relationship to both potential receptors and source areas.

29 **3.2.1.1 HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL LOCATION OF PROPOSED SENTINEL MONITORING WELLS**

30 The location of the proposed sentinel monitoring wells is of primary importance to the overall
31 evaluation of the monitoring wells. Horizontal locations will be evaluated in terms of proximity to
32 both source and receptors (i.e., potable supply wells), with the objective of positioning sentinel
33 monitoring wells at a variety of distances between potential sources and water supply wells.

34 Within the existing and proposed future wells, the vertical location of well screen intervals and port
35 sample depths in multi-level wells will be of particular importance, since evaluation of subsurface
36 hydrogeologic units within the CSM may suggest preferable pathways for groundwater flow, such as
37 clinker beds and fracture zones.

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Legend

- Existing Monitoring Well Location
- Proposed Monitoring Well Location
- Adjacent Existing and Proposed Monitoring Well Locations
- Potential New Sentinel Monitoring Well
- Existing Water Supply Well
- 2254-01 Infiltration Gallery
- 1 Red Hill Fuel Storage Tank
- ➔ Flow Direction
- Particle Flow Path in Groundwater (to be estimated during interim modeling)
- Hypothetical Capture Zone (will be determined based on particle flow paths)
- Stream
- 400 Topographic Contour (feet above mean sea level)
- Red Hill Installation Boundary
- Groundwater Model Area

Notes

1. Map projection: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 4N
2. Base Map: DigitalGlobe, Inc. (DG) and NRCS. Publication Date: 2015
3. Coordinates: NAD 1983 UTM Zone 4N
4. A sentinel monitoring well could be identified as an existing well or as a newly proposed monitoring well contingent on results of modeling efforts.

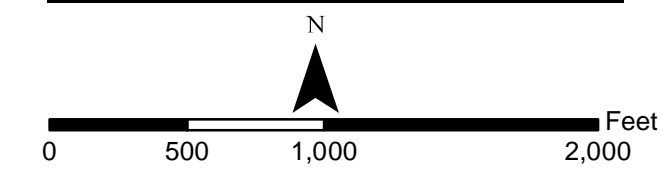
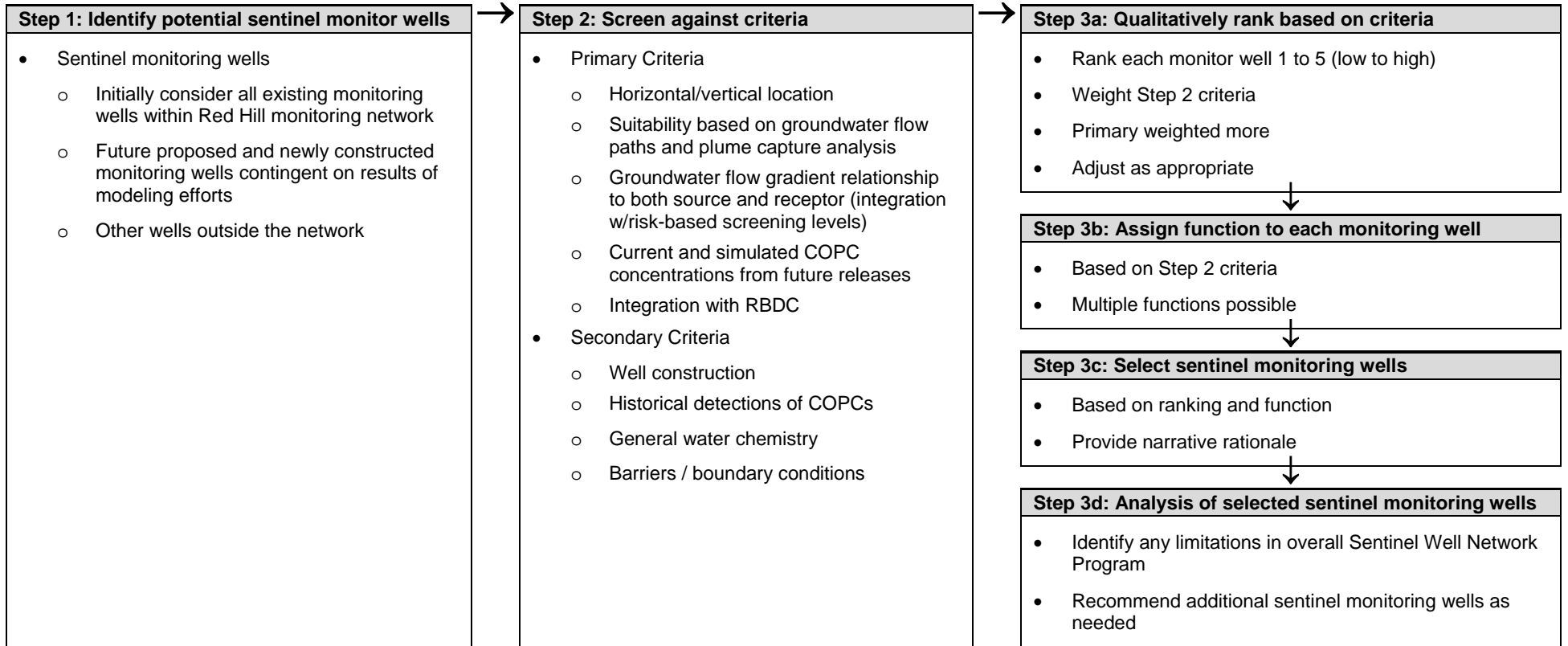


Figure 5
Hypothetical Capture Zone
Near Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility
Sentinel Well Network Development Plan
Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility
JBPHH, O'ahu, Hawai'i

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Figure 6
Process for Identifying, Evaluating, and Selecting Sentinel Monitoring Wells

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1 Since the COPCs at the site are associated with petroleum hydrocarbons, the focus of monitoring
2 will be at and near the water table.

3 3.2.1.2 GRADIENT RELATIONSHIP TO SOURCE AND RECEPTORS

4 Closely related to the horizontal and vertical location of the sentinel monitoring well is the
5 groundwater flow gradient relationship to the source and potentially impacted water wells. Both the
6 horizontal and vertical gradients in and around potential sentinel monitoring wells will need to be
7 considered. Strong sentinel monitoring well candidates will have consistent demonstrable
8 relationships between upgradient source areas and downgradient water wells.

9 3.2.1.3 SUITABILITY BASED ON GROUNDWATER FLOW PATHS AND PLUME CAPTURE ANALYSIS

10 Based on the capture zone approach described in Section 2.7, sentinel monitoring wells will be
11 selected to monitor and evaluate degree of capture (i.e., groundwater flow gradients), and assess if
12 potential contamination from inadvertent fuel releases from the Facility is adequately contained. This
13 function is more aligned with the hydraulic head/groundwater flow gradients described earlier, and
14 the groundwater flow and CF&T models will be integral to this evaluation.

15 3.2.1.4 CURRENT AND SIMULATED COPC CONCENTRATIONS FROM POTENTIAL FUTURE RELEASES

16 The record of detections within an existing proposed sentinel monitoring well in the network is a key
17 factor in demonstrating that the well is a currently providing effective monitoring of the tank farm.
18 A sentinel monitoring well candidate with a proven record of effectively monitoring releases from
19 the tank farm area would be a strong indication it will be effective in monitoring future releases for
20 the tank farm area. The record of well impacts from the post-2014 release from Tank 5 is of
21 particular relevance. In addition, sentinel monitoring wells must be located in optimum locations so
22 that COPCs from a release from various parts of the Facility will be detected.

23 3.2.1.5 INTEGRATION WITH RISK-BASED DECISION CRITERIA

24 Proposed sentinel monitoring wells will be evaluated on how well the SSRBL for each well aligns
25 with the RBDC. The RBDC include criteria that should not be exceeded at the drinking water tap.
26 SSRBLs will be developed based on RBDC developed for water supply wells and integrated into a
27 mass flux evaluation that is protective of water being pumped from water supply wells. The SSRBL
28 will be used to identify COPC concentrations at each sentinel monitoring well that if exceeded
29 provide an indicator that the COPC concentration at the drinking water tap could exceed the RBDC
30 if additional contingency action is not taken. Additional details on the establishment of RBDC and
31 SSRBLs are provided in Sections 2.3 and 2.7.

32 3.2.2 Secondary Criteria

33 As stated above, secondary criteria are important factors to be considered during the evaluation. An
34 example is that a proposed sentinel monitoring well might be located near a known groundwater
35 barrier, and that relationship will need to factor in when considering the well for inclusion in the
36 sentinel monitoring well network. Secondary criteria prompt needed evaluation of proposed sentinel
37 monitoring wells that need to be investigated outside the primary criteria.

38 3.2.2.1 WELL CONSTRUCTION

39 Well construction details will be reviewed and evaluated to verify if the monitoring well will have
40 any limitations. Items such as well materials, submerged screen lengths, casing size, screen size,
41 filter pack, and quality of subsurface logs will be taken into account.

1 3.2.2.2 HISTORICAL DETECTION OF COPCs (PRE-2014)

2 If sampled previously, the history of COPC detections in the proposed sentinel monitoring well will
3 be reviewed to evaluate if COPC impacts from tank farm releases have been previously observed.
4 A sentinel candidate with a proven record of effectively monitoring releases from the tank farm area
5 in the past would be a strong indication it will be effective in monitoring future releases for the tank
6 farm area.

7 3.2.2.3 GENERAL WATER CHEMISTRY

8 General water chemistry within specific areas of the site may be subject to surface water recharge or
9 other factors that can influence chemistry. A review of general water chemistry will be conducted to
10 reveal possible limitations as a sentinel monitoring well.

11 3.2.2.4 PROXIMITY TO GROUNDWATER BARRIERS, PREFERENTIAL FLOW PATHS, AND OTHER
12 CONDITIONS

13 Proximity to groundwater barriers and other subsurface conditions in the saturated zone may affect
14 the function of a proposed sentinel monitoring well. An evaluation will be conducted to reveal
15 possible limitations as a sentinel monitoring well. The local subsurface geology such as barriers and
16 preferential pathways may influence groundwater flow.

17 **3.3 ANALYSIS AND SELECTION OF SENTINEL MONITORING WELLS**

18 Once the group of potential sentinel monitoring wells is compiled, the wells will be qualitatively
19 screened and ranked using the criteria outlined in the previous subsection. This subsection presents
20 the general components of the screening, ranking, and selection of the sentinel monitoring wells. The
21 full completed groundwater flow model and CF&T model (building on the Interim Model and Flow
22 Model) along with the comprehensive CSM for the site will provide key tools to evaluate these
23 criteria.

24 As stated previously, the sentinel monitoring wells have two primary functions within the Sentinel
25 Well Network Program. These functions include 1) hydraulic head/groundwater flow gradients to
26 provide confirmation of the capture zone developed during the capture zone analysis detailed in
27 Section 2.7, and 2) effective monitoring of SSRBL concentrations of the selected COPCs based on
28 RBDC developed per the *RBDC Development Plan* (DON 2017d). Consequently, prospective
29 monitoring wells can have assigned function for one or both functions. Assignment will be made
30 after the criteria analysis outlined below to ensure that proposed wells are well suited to their
31 intended function.

32 **3.4 RATIONALE FOR SELECTION OF PROPOSED SENTINEL MONITORING WELLS**

33 Once the proposed group of sentinel monitoring wells is established, the wells will be qualitatively
34 ranked on a scale of 1 to 5 (5 being most optimal) for each of the criteria presented in Section 3.2.
35 When possible, these criteria have a description of each level. As an example, for the criterion
36 "Suitability based on groundwater flow paths and plume capture analysis" (Figure 6), the ranking
37 will be determined by a hydrogeologist, engineer, or appropriate professional who will assign a score
38 based on professional judgement and site data and knowledge.

39 A weighting of criteria will be employed to distinguish between primary and secondary criteria by a
40 factor of 2× multiplier on the primary criteria base score. If additional weighting factor(s) are used, a
41 narrative rationale will be included to provide basis of the weighting.

1 A comprehensive table will be prepared showing each proposed sentinel monitoring well for both the
2 individual score of each criterion and aggregate score of all the criteria. The table will be used as tool
3 to evaluate and a document the selection for the proposed monitoring wells in the Sentinel Well
4 Network Program. Additionally, a narrative rationale will be prepared for each selected monitoring
5 well.

6 **4. Identification of Additional Sentinel Monitoring Wells**

7 Following identification, evaluation, and selection of the overall proposed sentinel monitoring well
8 network, the network will be reviewed to identify limitations or data gaps to achieve the overall
9 purpose and objectives. This can include additional sentinel monitoring points required for all
10 potentially impacted water supply wells and exposure points outside the Facility boundary and
11 within the groundwater model area, as depicted in the location map on Figure 2. If such limitations
12 are identified, recommendations to address the limitations and data gaps will be prepared and
13 discussed with the Regulatory Agencies. Recommendations may include installation of additional
14 wells or modifications or additions to the existing network.

15 **5. Establishment of Sentinel Well Network Program**

16 The establishment of the Sentinel Well Network Program will follow the decision matrix outlined in
17 the AOC Statement of Work (depicted above on Figure 3), where a *Groundwater Monitoring Well*
18 *Network Report* will be prepared 12 months after Regulatory approval of the *Groundwater Flow*
19 *Model Report*. The documents will present the recommendations and conclusions of the sentinel
20 monitoring well evaluation and selection process described above. The report will also present the
21 proposed Sentinel Well Network Program. The program will also include the following elements:

- 22 • Regulatory framework under U.S. EPA, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA),
23 and DOH programs
- 24 • COPCs (developed under the *RBDC Development Plan*)
- 25 • Locations and frequency of sampling (based on integration with the leak detection system)
- 26 • Integration of SSRBLs based on mass flux and RBDC
- 27 • Contingency plans for exceedances and releases
- 28 • Optimization and modification of the Sentinel Well Network Program

29 The *Groundwater Well Network Report* will provide a basis for a Decision Meeting prescribed under
30 the AOC Statement of Work that is to be held 60 days after the *Groundwater Monitoring Well*
31 *Network Report* is approved. Sixty (60) days following the Decision Meeting, a *Groundwater*
32 *Monitoring Well Decision Document* will be prepared to provide final documentation of the decision
33 process. Based on the *Groundwater Monitoring Well Decision Document*, the Red Hill GWPP (DON
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