Vapor Intrusion

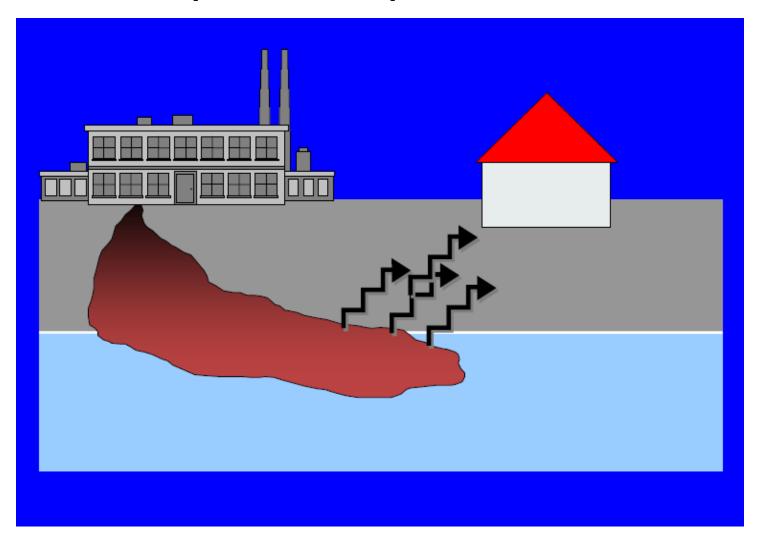


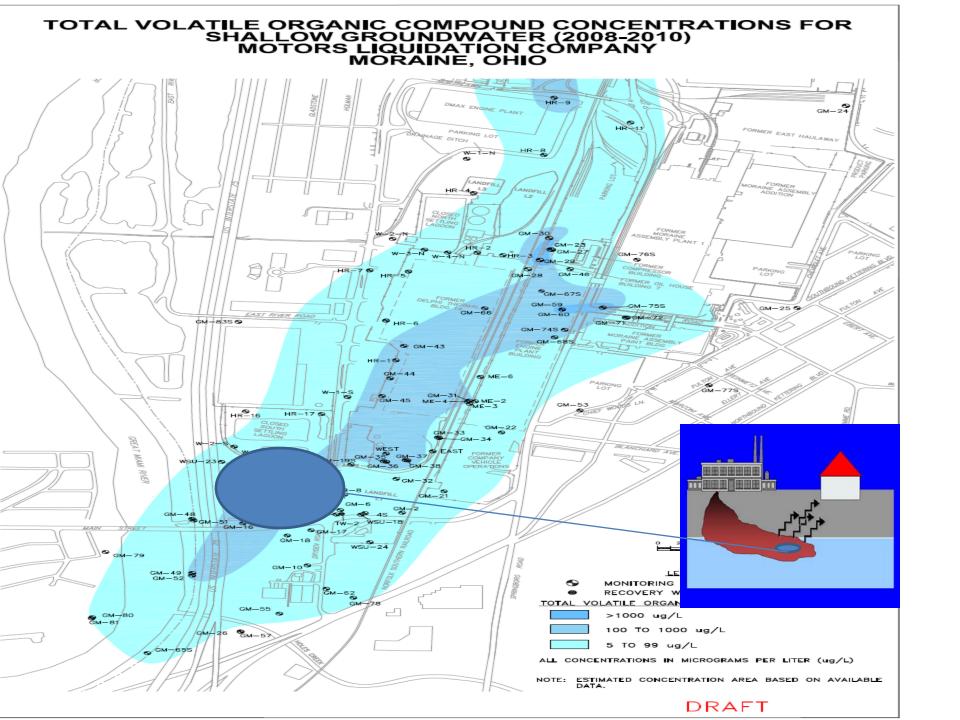
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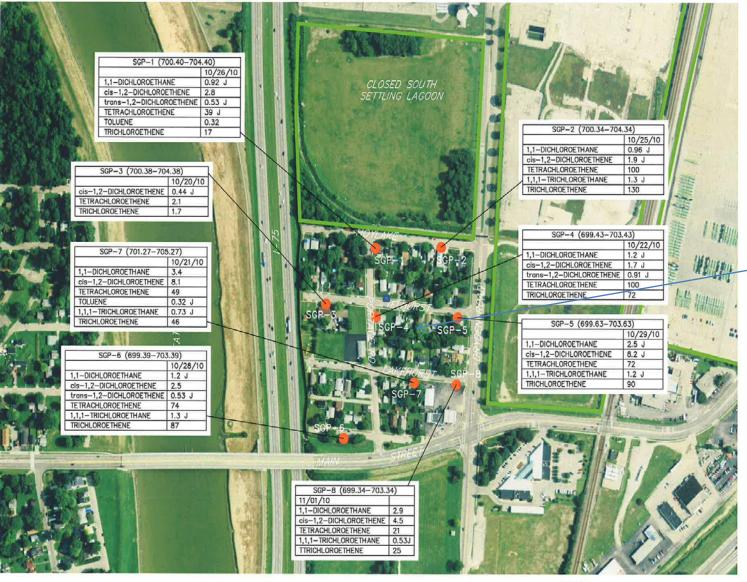
Residential Vapor Intrusion

- Conceptual model of vapor intrusion
 - -What is the problem?
 - How the problem will be identified?
 - If there is a problem, how big it is?
 - If proven to be a problem, how can it be controlled?

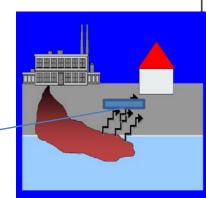
Concept of Vapor Intrusion











LEGEND

SOIL-GAS SAMPLING POINT LOCATIONS

MLC PROPERTY BOUNDARY

(701.93-705.93) TEMPORARY WELL SCREEN INTERVAL ELEVATION (FEET ABOVE MEAN SEA LEVEL)

ESTIMATED VALUE

ALL CONCENTRATIONS IN MICROGRAMS PER LITER

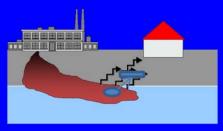
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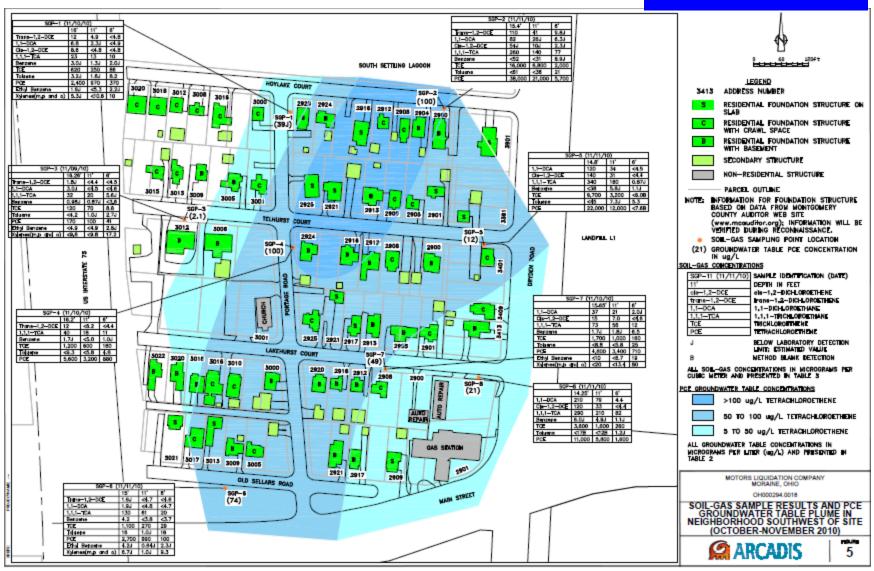
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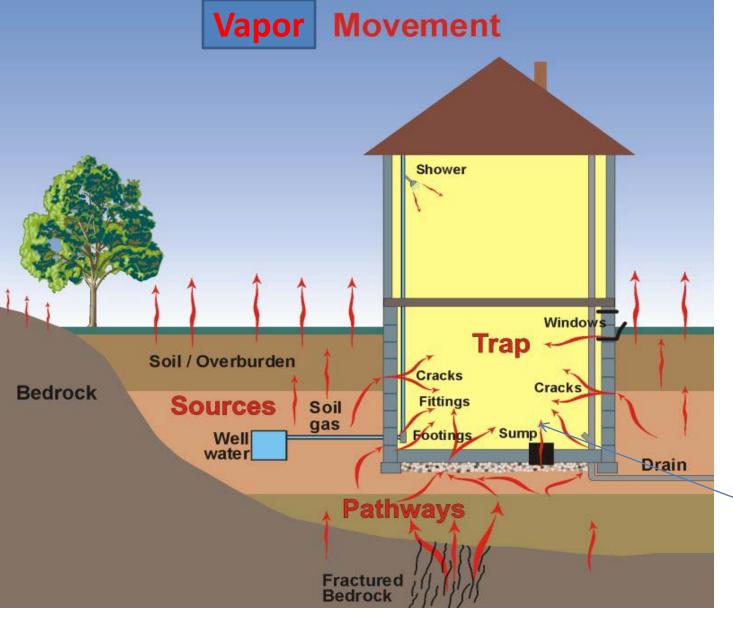
GROUNDWATER TABLE SAMPLE RESULTS OF NEIGHBORHOOD SOUTHWEST OF SITE (OCTOBER THROUGH NOVEMBER 2010)

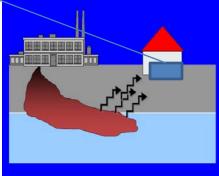


FIGURE 3



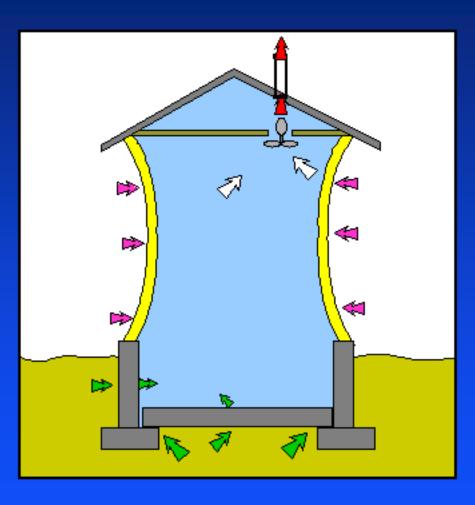






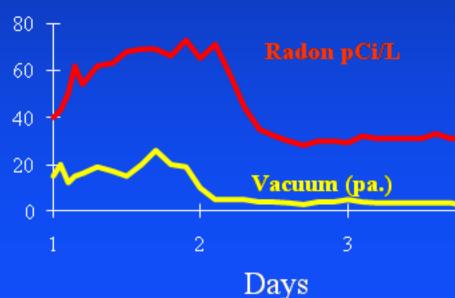


How Is Vapor Drawn Into A Building?

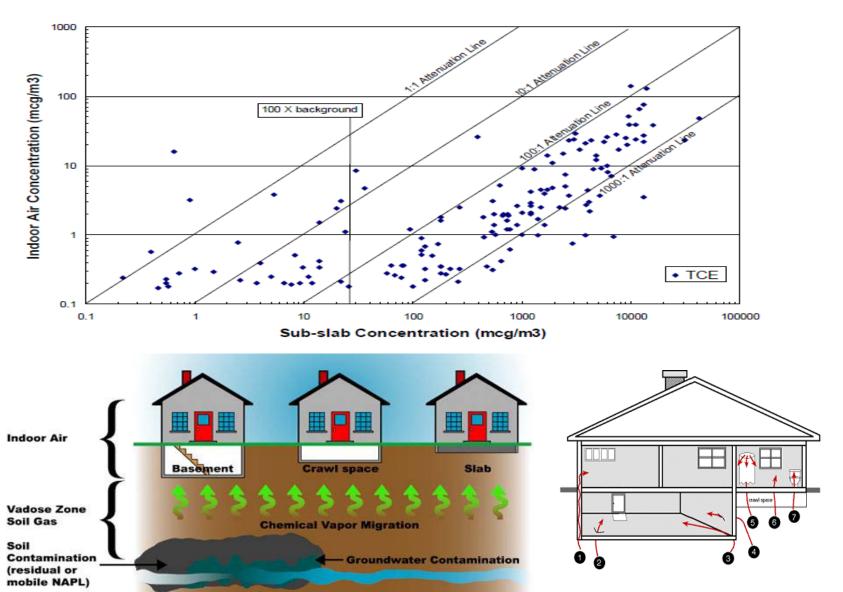


■ Vacuum

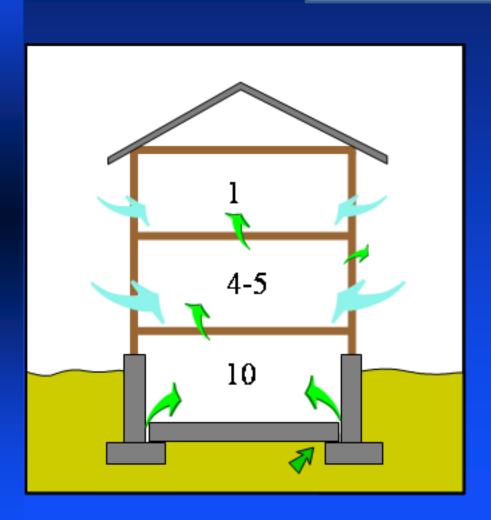
- Exhaust systems
- Thermal stack effects



TCE Indoor Air vs. Sub-slab Concentrations



Radon/TCE/PCE distribution



- Radon enters from beneath foundation and travels upv
 - Diluted with outdoor air infiltrating building
- If radon is less than 4 pCi/I lower level, one can say wi reasonable confidence that upper floors are also less the pCi/L.

Indoor Air Sources

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Latex Paints	X	X				X						
Alkyl Paints										X	X	
Carpets	X	X			X	X						
Glued Carpets	X	X			X	X					X	X
Wood Burning		X		X	X	X	X					
Foam Board											X	
Paint Removers		X										
Spray Products				X								
Adhesives/Tapes		X			X			X				X
Room Deodorants											X	
Tobacco Smoke	X	X	X	X	X							
Gasoline/driving	X	X		X	X	X						
Solvents		X	X						X			
Dry Cleaning										X		

From Hers et al., 2001. The use of indoor air measurements to evaluate intrusion of subsurface VOC vapors into buildings, J. Air & Waste Manage. Assoc. 51:1318-1331.

Riverview VI Sampling Work Plan







Full or partial basement

- One sub-slab sample (below floor)
- One indoor air sample from basement (breathing space)
- One indoor air sample from first floor

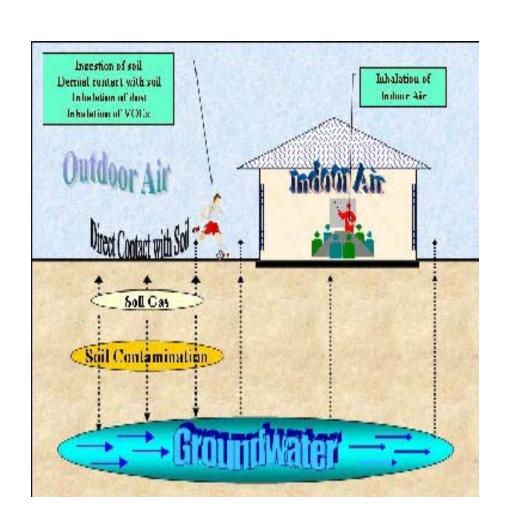
• Slab-on-grade

- One sub-slab sample
- One indoor air sample from first floor

Crawl space

- One indoor air sample from crawl
- One indoor air sample from first floor

Definition of Risk



Risk

Exposure X Toxicity

Probability for Health Adverse Effects

Person	Home	Exposure				
		Characteristics				
-Genetics	-Age of the Home	-How long ?				
-Lifestyle	-Foundation Type	-How much ?				
-Occupation	-Indoor air quality	-How often ?				
-Nutrition	- Number of levels					



Probability for adverse effects:

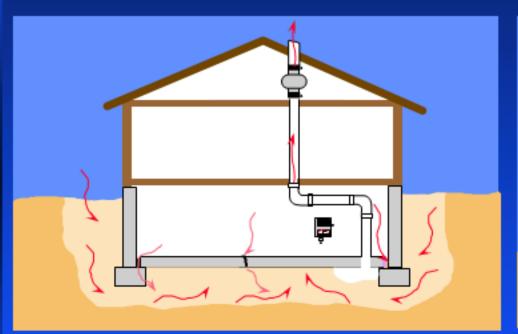
Radon 1 in 1000 = 4 pci TCE 1:1000 = 5370 ug/m3 (OSHA) EPA Residential Action Level: TCE: 1 in 100, 000 = 12.2 ug/m3

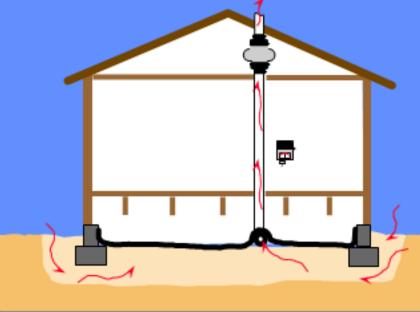
PCE: 1 in 100,000 = 4.1 ug/m3





Homes With Concerns Can Be Fixed!





Active soil depressurization is a means of creating a vacuum beneath a slab or plastic sheet and collecting the radon before it enters a building.

VI Mitigation Works!

