

Evaluating Phase 1 ESA Production Triggers and Update to PTAC Drilling Waste Compliance Option Project

Adapting and Collaborating When Determining Risk

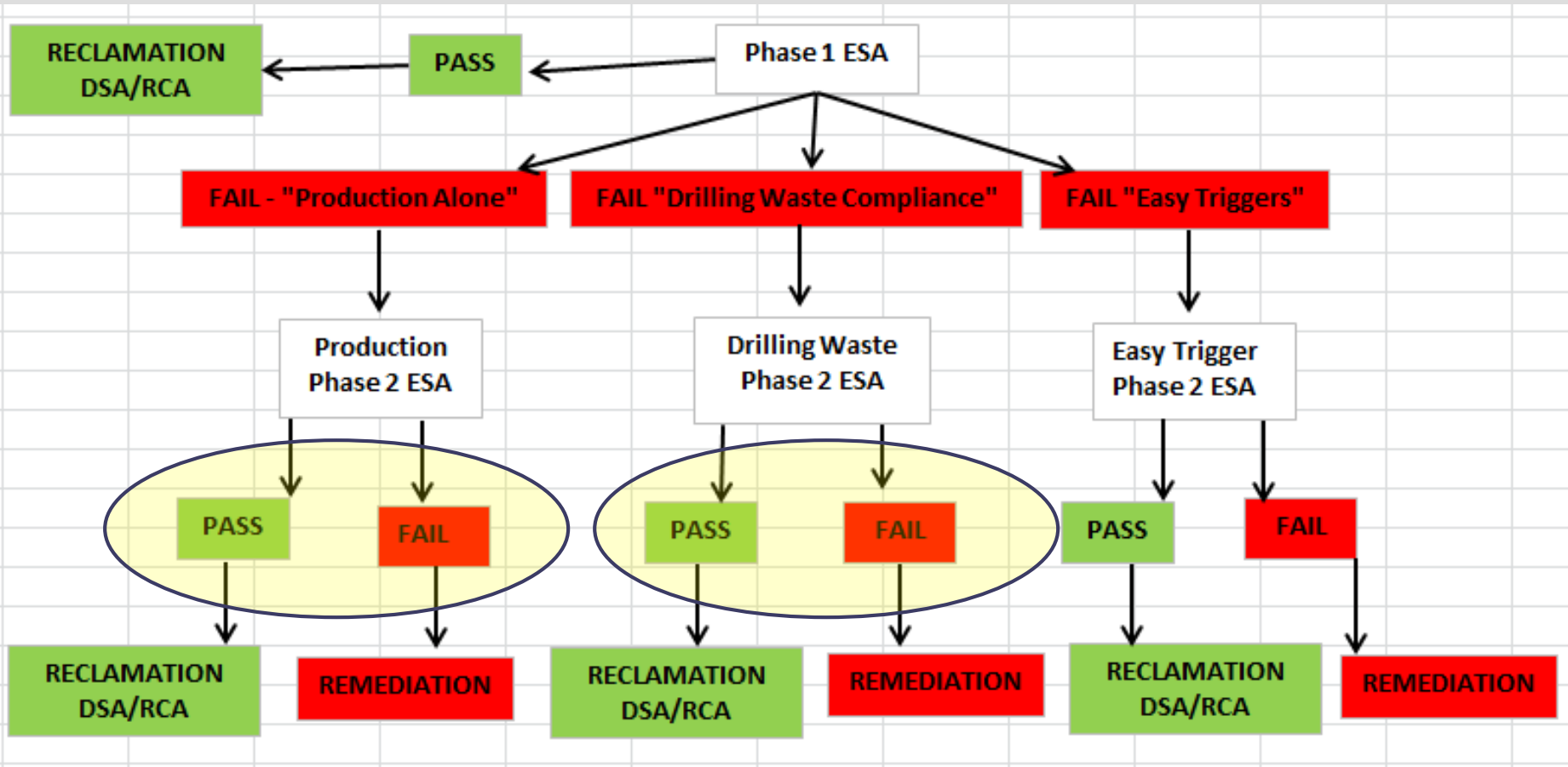


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Evaluation Focus



Phase 1 ESA “Easy Triggers”

- Historic spills/releases
- Salt water injection facilities
- Bare areas/reduced vegetation
- Historic flare pits
- USTs
- Landowner concerns
- Known contamination

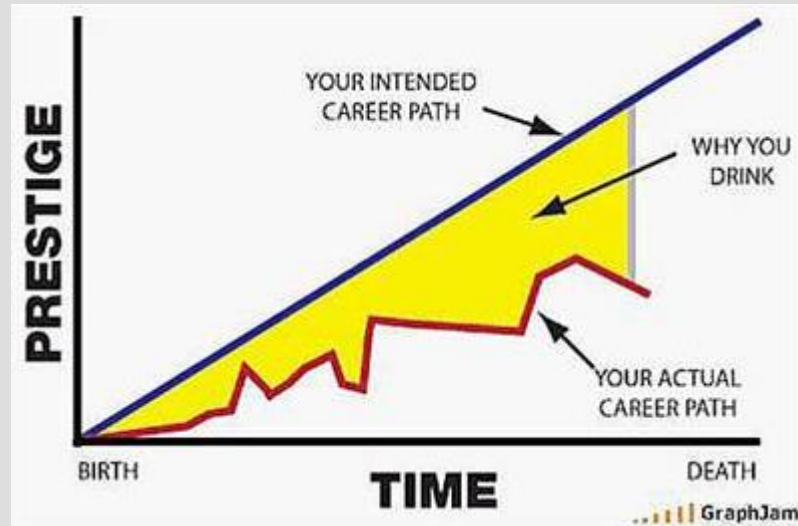


It Depends.....

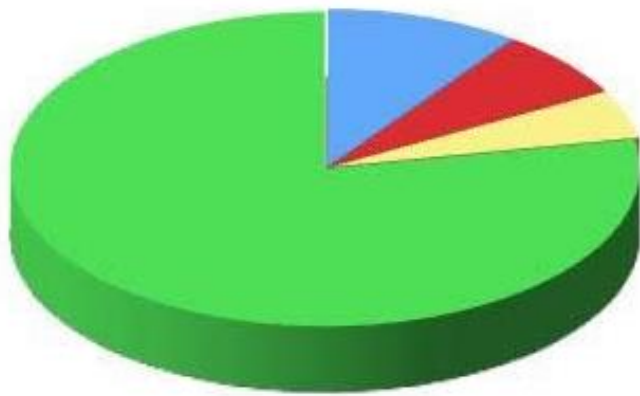
- Age of the facility
 - Ties into operational practices of the period
 - Ties into regulatory requirements of the period
- Type of facility
(dry gas, wet gas, oil, or some combination)
- Length of production
- Volume of production
- Infrastructure setup

Production Rationale Evaluation Process

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
2	New York	4,800,000	3,700,000	3,300,000	2,700,000	2,400,000	1,200,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	1,900,000	1,700,000	
3	Chicago	1,200,000	1,500,000	2,000,000	2,400,000	2,000,000	1,500,000	1,400,000	1,200,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	
4	Los Angeles	2,200,000	2,300,000	3,000,000	2,800,000	1,800,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	5,500,000	6,200,000	7,200,000	
5	San Francisco	4,800,000	3,700,000	3,300,000	2,700,000	2,400,000	1,200,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	1,900,000	1,700,000	
6	Dallas	1,200,000	1,500,000	2,000,000	2,400,000	2,600,000	2,000,000	1,500,000	1,400,000	1,200,000	1,000,000	
7	Boston	2,200,000	2,300,000	3,000,000	2,800,000	1,800,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	5,500,000	6,200,000	7,200,000	
8	Cleveland	1,200,000	1,500,000	2,000,000	2,400,000	2,600,000	2,000,000	1,500,000	1,400,000	1,200,000	1,000,000	
9	San Jose	2,200,000	2,300,000	3,000,000	2,800,000	1,800,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	5,500,000	6,200,000	7,200,000	
10	Baltimore	4,800,000	3,700,000	3,300,000	2,700,000	2,400,000	1,200,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	1,900,000	1,700,000	
11	Orlando	1,200,000	1,500,000	2,000,000	2,400,000	2,600,000	2,000,000	1,500,000	1,400,000	1,200,000	1,000,000	
12	Omaha	2,200,000	2,300,000	3,000,000	2,800,000	1,800,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	5,500,000	6,200,000	7,200,000	
13	Miami	4,800,000	3,700,000	3,300,000	2,700,000	2,400,000	1,200,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	1,900,000	1,700,000	
14	Tampa	1,200,000	1,500,000	2,000,000	2,400,000	2,600,000	2,000,000	1,500,000	1,400,000	1,200,000	1,000,000	
15	Houston	2,200,000	2,300,000	3,000,000	2,800,000	1,800,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	5,500,000	6,200,000	7,200,000	
16	Phoenix	1,200,000	1,500,000	2,000,000	2,400,000	2,600,000	2,000,000	1,500,000	1,400,000	1,200,000	1,000,000	
17	Las Vegas	2,200,000	2,300,000	3,000,000	2,800,000	1,800,000	4,000,000	3,200,000	5,500,000	6,200,000	7,200,000	

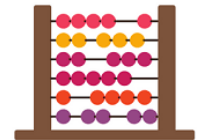


Things a Zombie Would Do



- Eat your flesh
- Eat your brain
- Moan
- Dance with Michael Jackson

$$S = \sqrt{\frac{\sum |x - \bar{x}|^2}{n - 1}}$$



Where:

X is the first, second, third, etc. data value

\bar{X} is the mean of the data set

n-1 is the number of sample values decreased

$|x - \bar{x}|^2$ represents the deviation from the sample mean

Regulatory Guidance Changes

1971: No oil or hydrocarbons in earthen pits

1994: IL-94-6 – production fluids no longer allowed to be received into earthen structures as of Dec 31/1996

1996: Flaring to earthen pits prohibited after July 1/1996

2001: Revision of Directive 055: Storage Requirements

2012: Revision of Directive 050

2016: Specified Enactment Direction (SED) 002

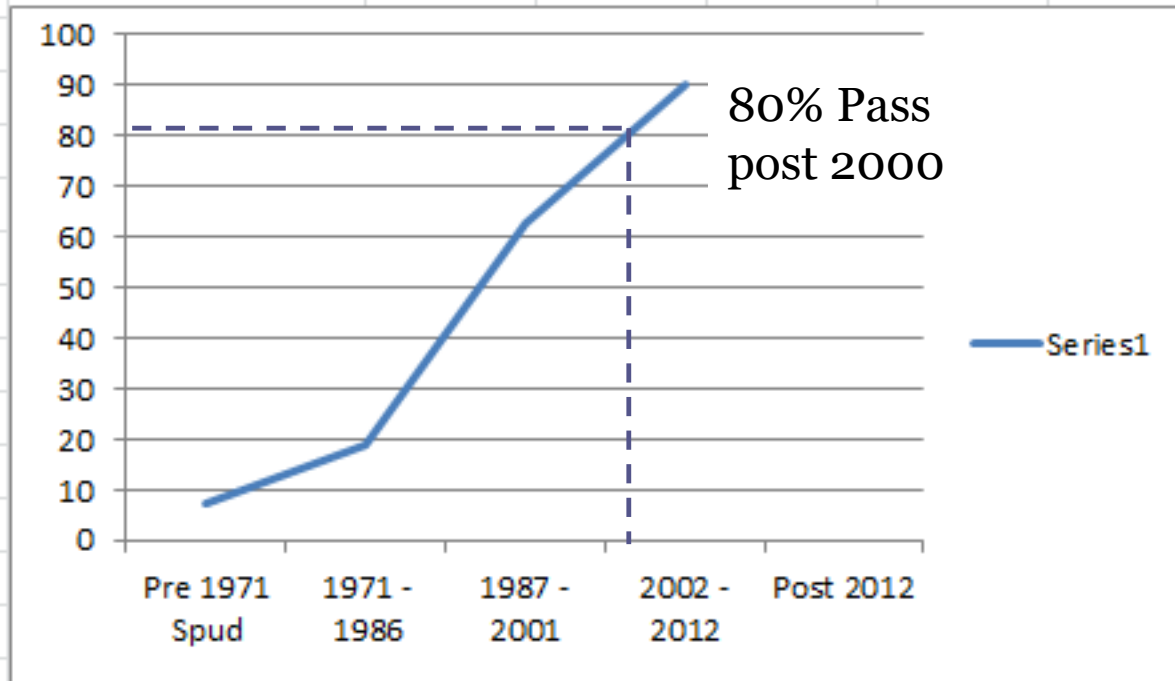
Overall Phase 2 Pass/Fail %

All Sites					
Sort by Spud Date	# of sites	Pass (n)	Pass %	Fail (n)	Fail %
All Sites	141	104	74	37	26

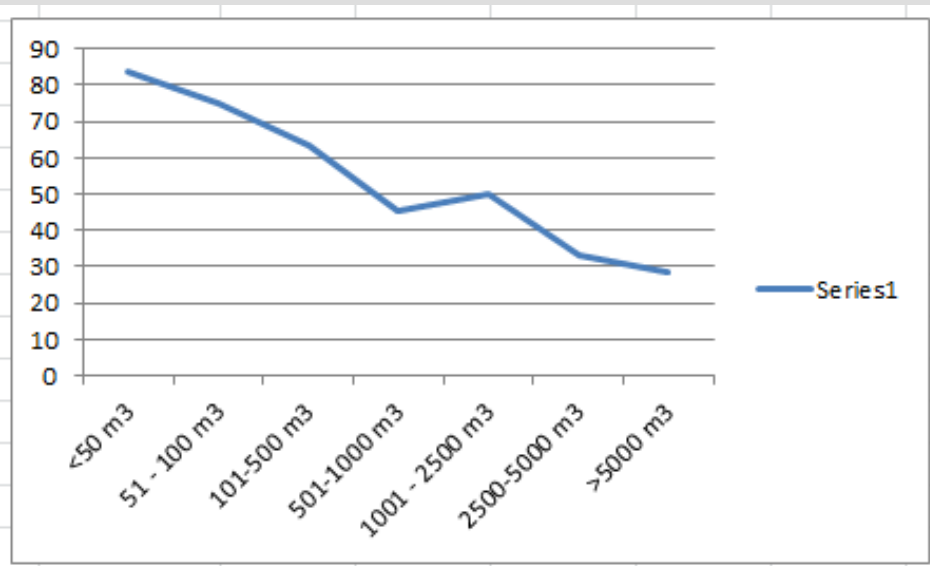
Oil Gas and Water					
Sort by Spud Date	# of sites	Pass (n)	Pass%	Fail (n)	Fail %
All Sites	140	72	51	68	49
Pre 1971 Spud	14	1	7	13	93
1971 - 1986	37	7	19	30	81
1987 - 2001	59	37	63	22	37
2002 - 2012	30	27	90	3	10
Post 2012	0				

Oil, Gas and Water Wells

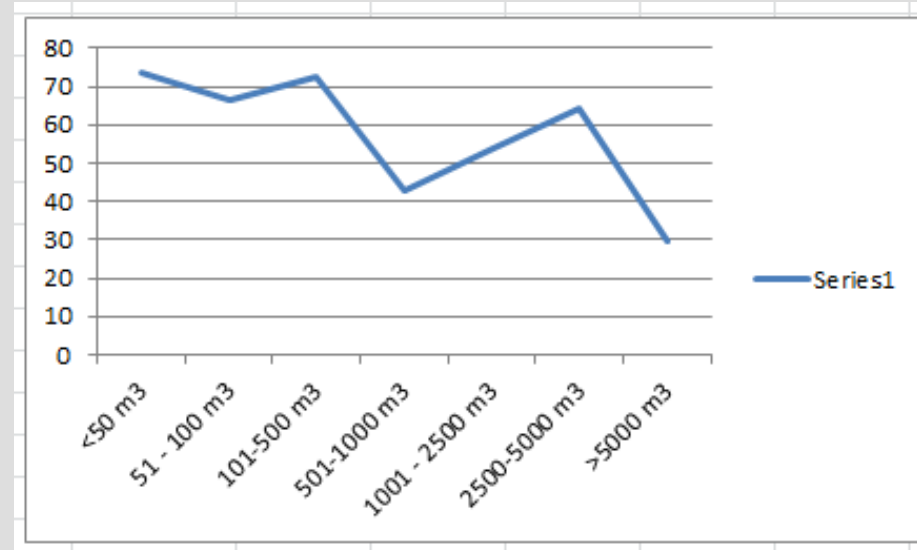
By Spud Date



Oil, Gas and Water Wells



By Volume of **Oil** Produced

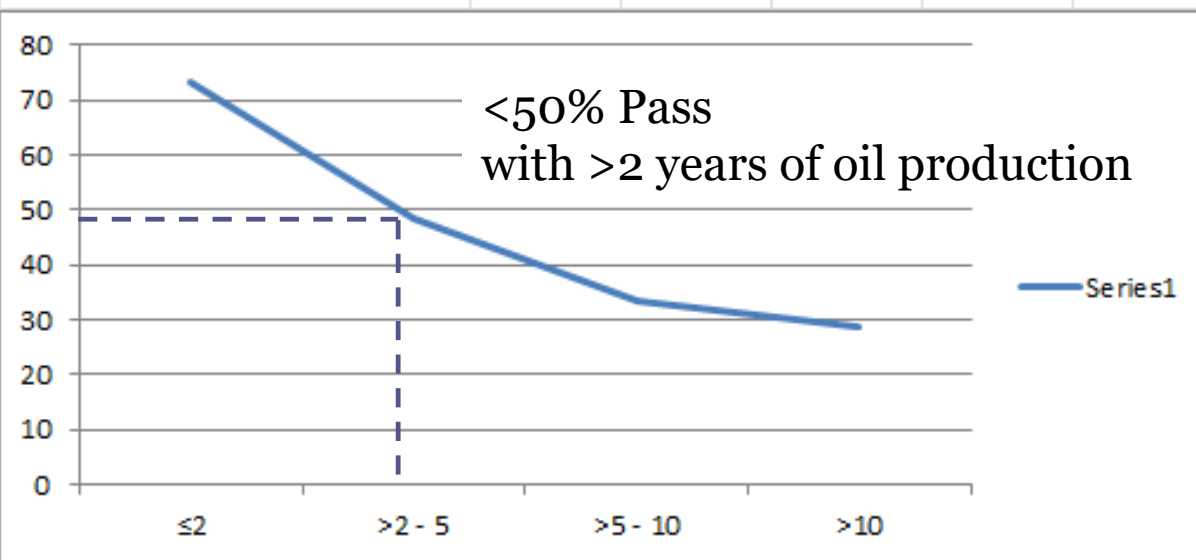


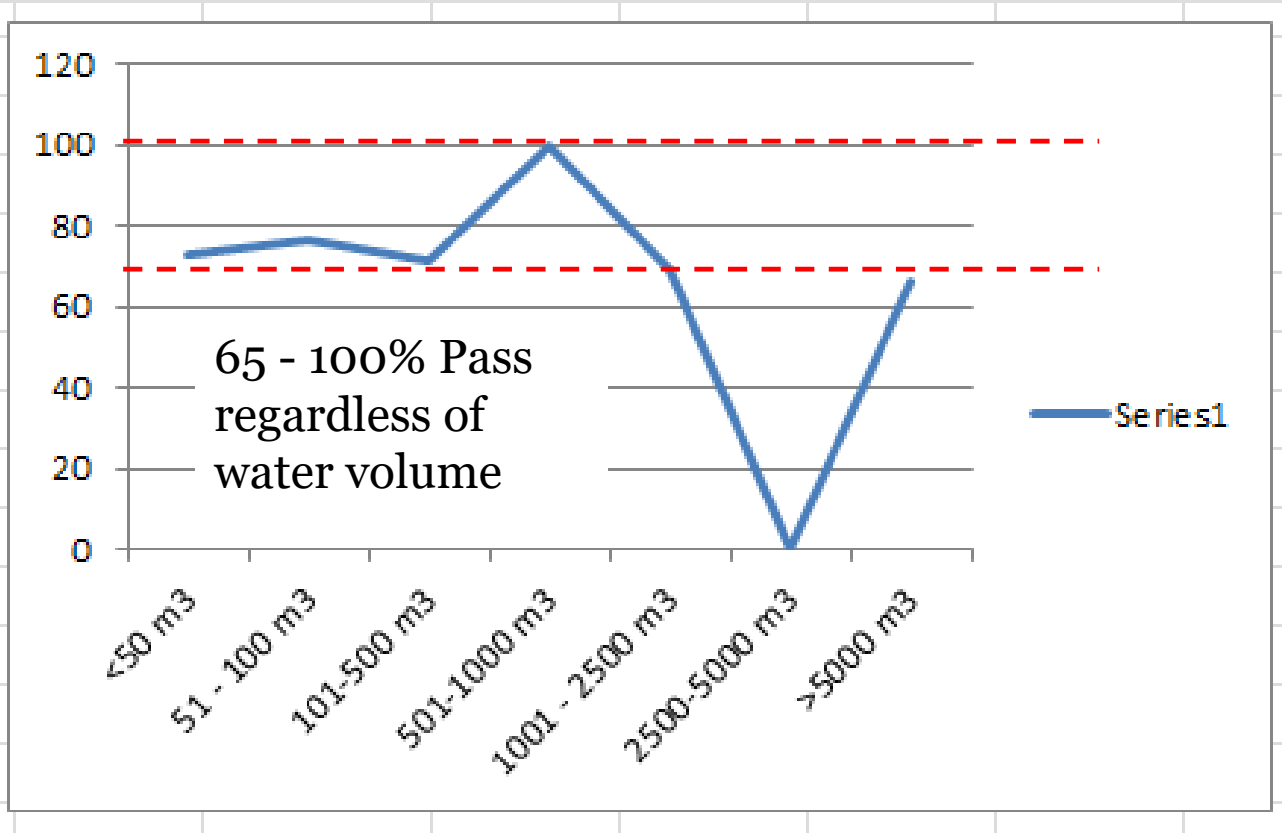
By Volume of **WATER** Produced

Sort by Years of Oil Production	# of sites	Pass (n)	Pass%	Fail (n)	Fail %
All Sites	140	72	51	68	49
≤2	56	41	73	15	27
>2 - 5	31	15	48	16	52
>5 - 10	18	6	33	12	67
>10	35	10	29	25	71

Oil, Gas and Water Wells

By Length of Oil Production



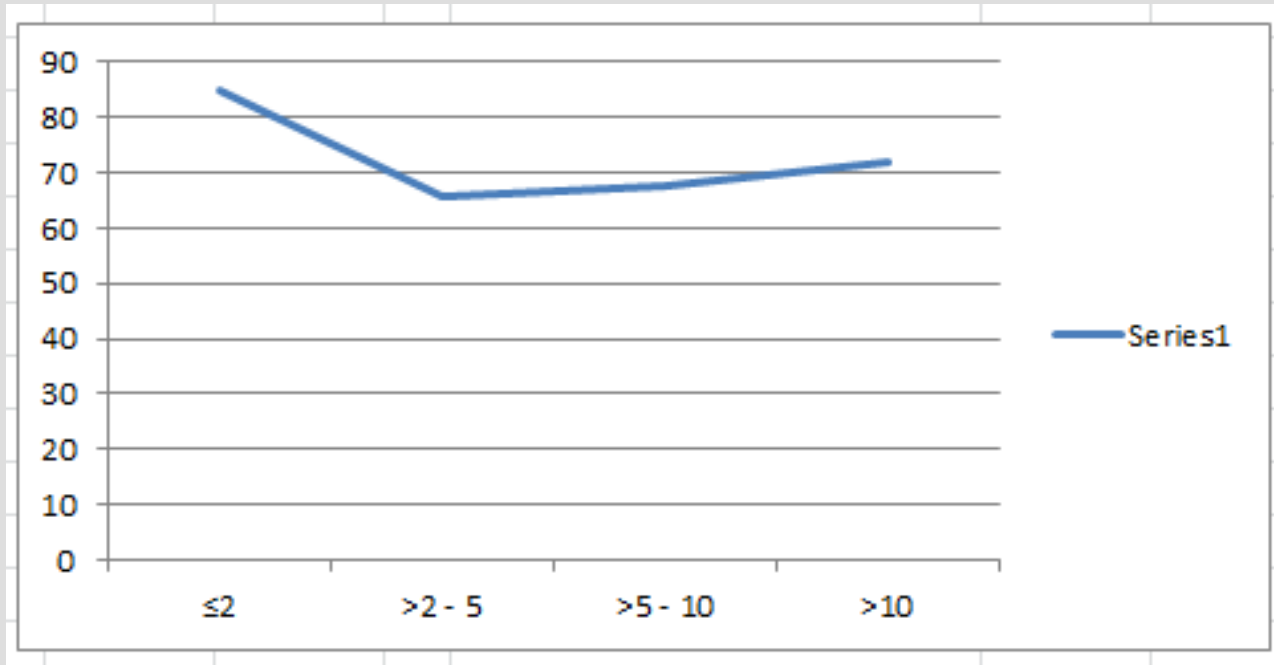


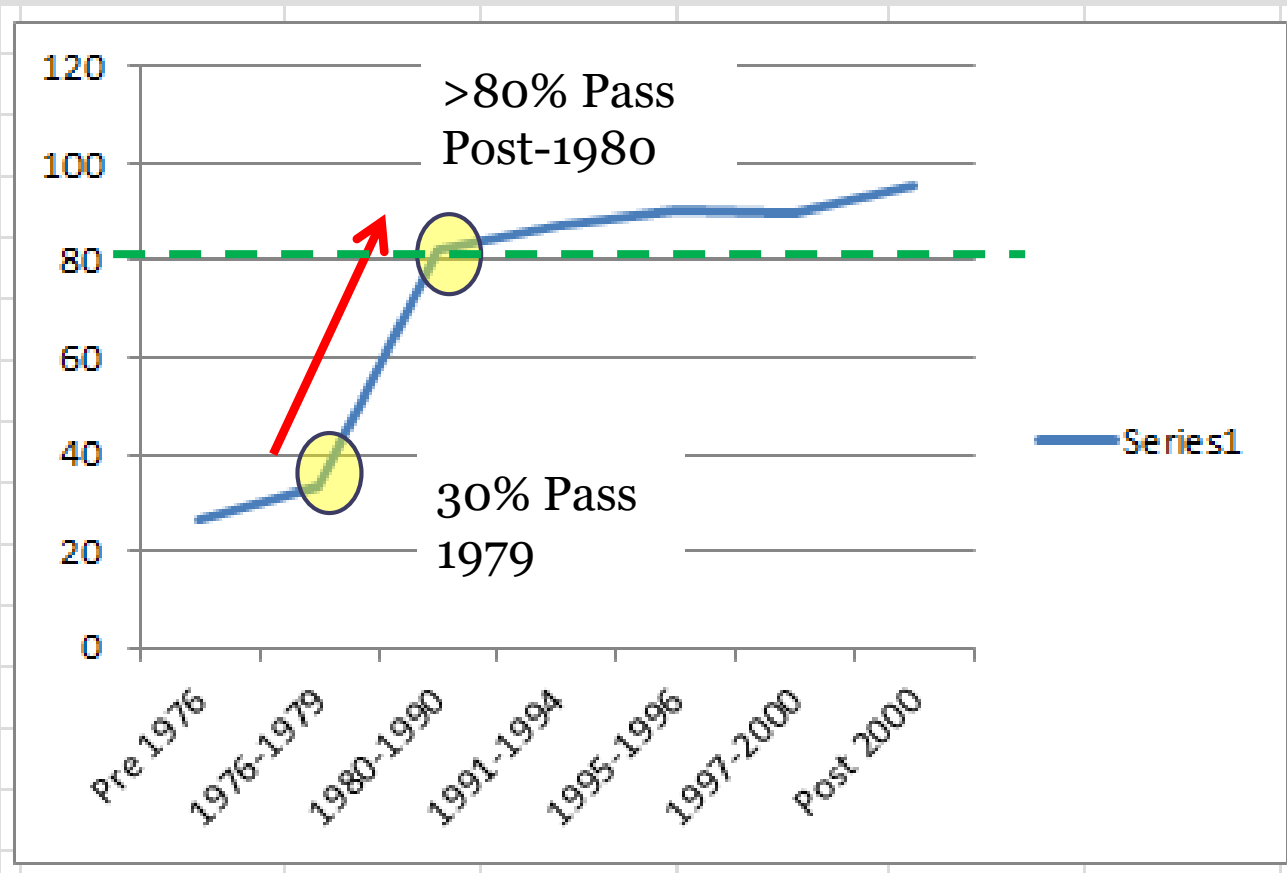
Gas and Water Wells

By Volume of Water

Gas and Water Wells

By Length of Production

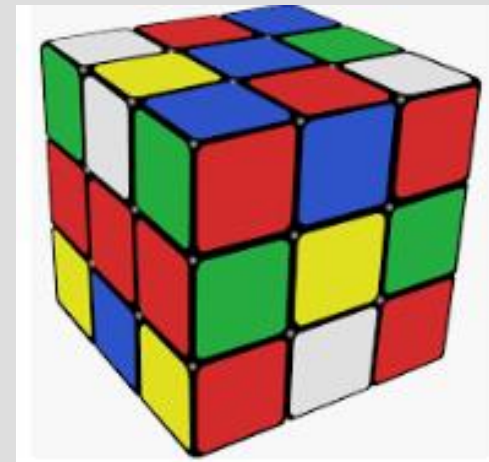




Gas and
Water
Wells

By Spud
Date

Events of 1980



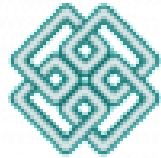
Dry Gas Wells

Dry Gas			
Sort by Spud Date	# of sites	Pass%	Fail %
All Sites	12	58.4	41.6
Pre 1971 Spud	1	0	100
1971 - 1986	1	0	100
1987 - 2001	8	75	25
2002 - 2012	2	50	50
Post 2012			

Production Rationale Matrix

- Utilize dates of major Regulatory criteria changes
- Spud date certainly had the largest influence
- Volume of production and length of production are influential, but mainly on the low end (low volume and short production lengths)

**Develop a Decision Matrix
which is DEFENDABLE**



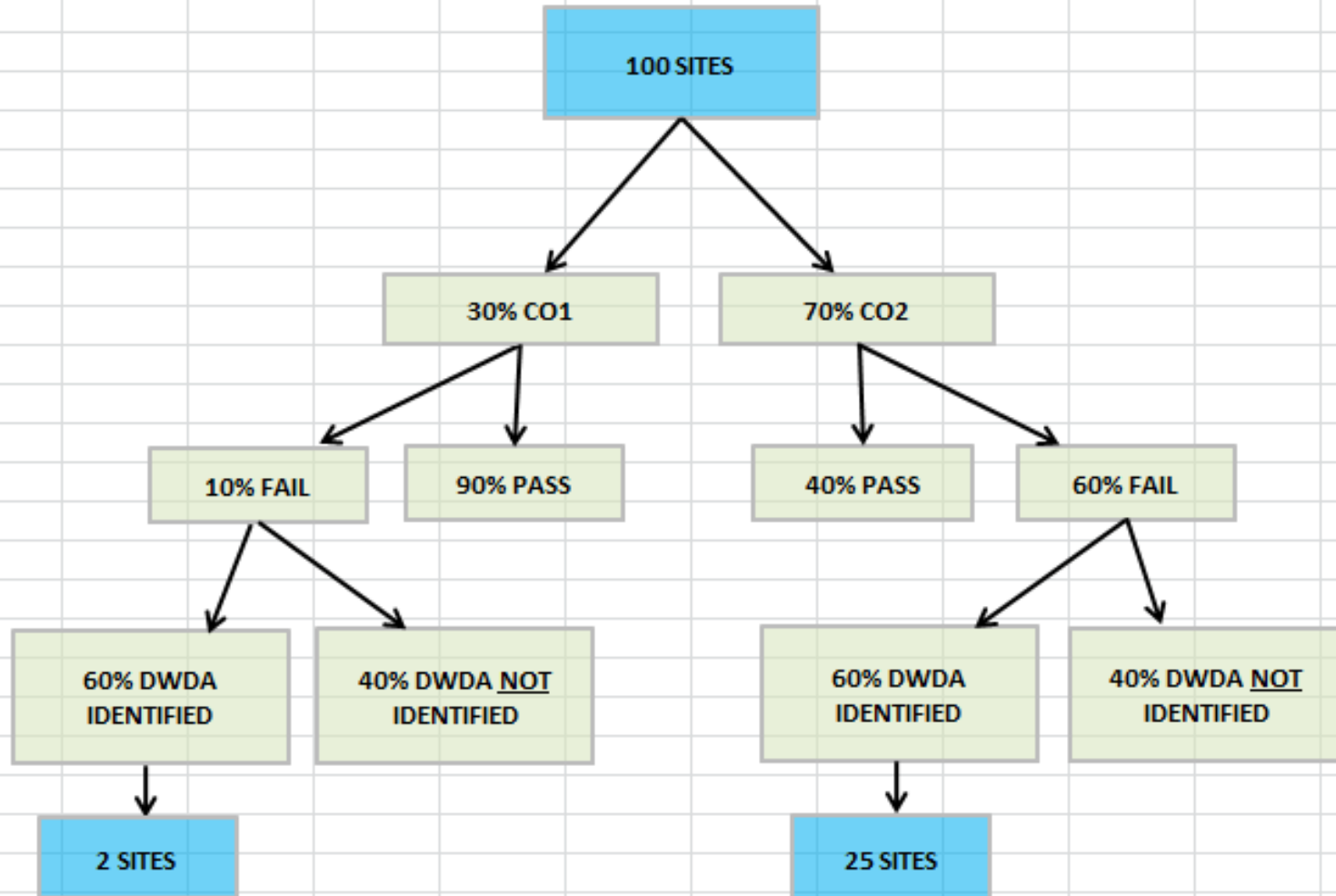
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TECHNOLOGY
ALLIANCE
CANADA

Drilling Waste Compliance Project

- Focused on drilling waste disposals prior to 2012
- Evaluate correlation between Compliance Option 2 triggers and actual Tier 1 exceedances during the Phase 2 ESA
- Use statistical analysis to determine relationships between the triggers
- Provide recommendations for proposed guideline adjustments

General Data Trending



PTAC Stage 1: Data Gathering



Canadian Natural

cenovus
ENERGY



**Alberta
Energy
Regulator**



**Orphan Well
Association**

1681 Sites Reviewed

510 Candidate Sites Identified

Stage 2: Data Analysis

- **Descriptive Statistics**
(removing data outliers)
- **Categorical Data**
(two-way contingency tables, Pearson's Chi-square and/or Fisher Exact Tests)
- **Predictive Modeling**
(Multi-variable Binominal Regression)

$$x^2 = \sum \frac{(O - E)^2}{E}$$

x^2 = The test statistic

O = Observed

E = Expected

\sum = The sum of

$$Y = B_0 + B_1X_1 + B_2X_2 + \dots + B_kX_k$$

Y = Phase 2 Pass/Fail

B_0 = Constant

B_1 = Coefficient of variable X_1

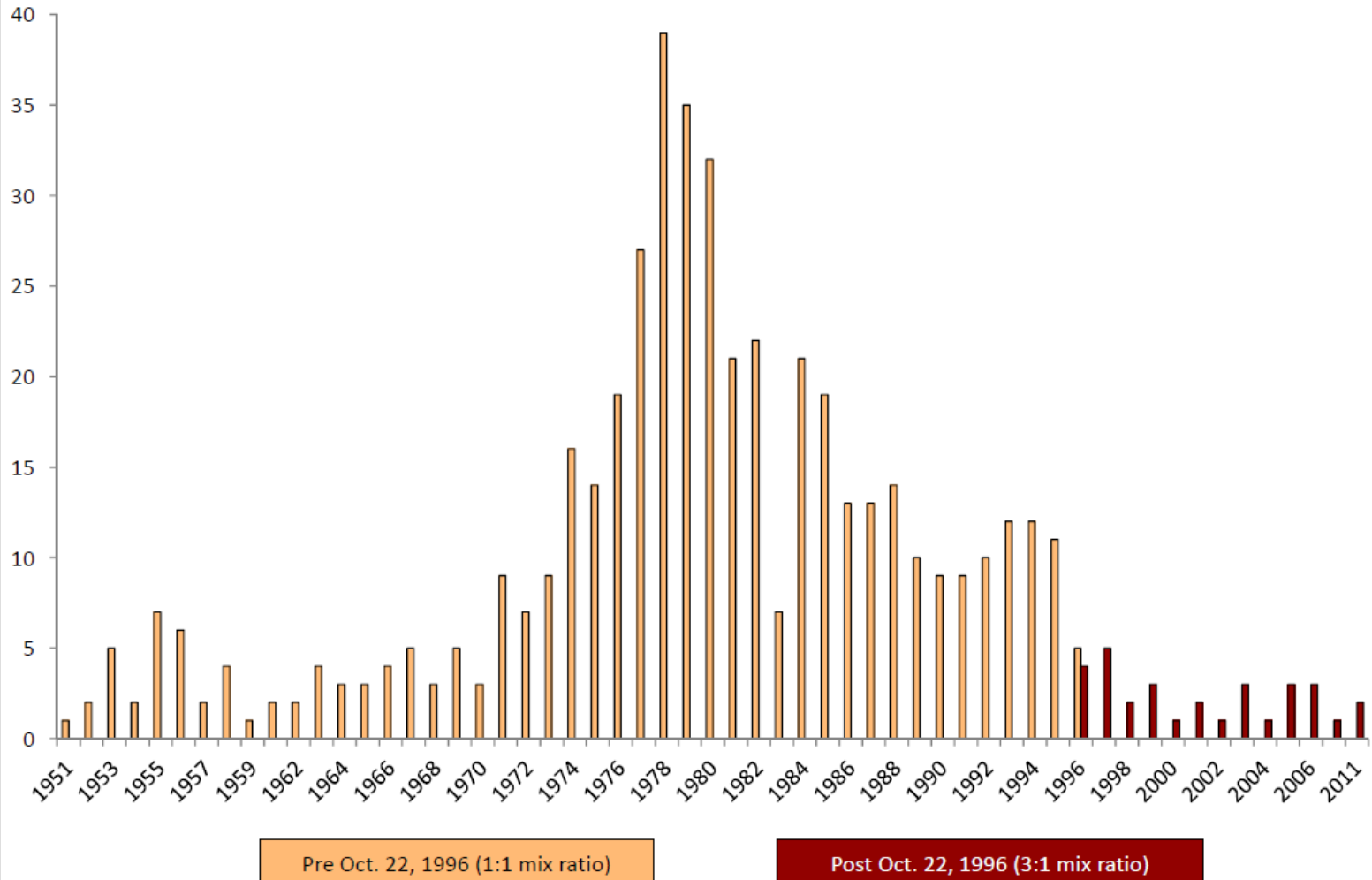
X_1 = Independent PH 1 predictor variables (production amount, salt calculation, production years... etc.)

False Positive and False Negative Errors

		PHASE I	
		PASS	FAIL
PHASE II	PASS	CORRECT	FALSE NEGATIVE
	FAIL	FALSE POSITIVE	CORRECT

Spud Date Distribution

Sites with Drilling Waste Disposal Pre- and Post-Oct 22, 1996



Post-Disposal PHC Concentration

**1996 D50
(0.5% Topsoil, 0.1% Subsoil)
TOTAL Hydrocarbons**

VS

**Tier 1 Endpoints
BTEX, F1-F4 PHC**

1996 D050 (0.1% Subsoil Total PHC)

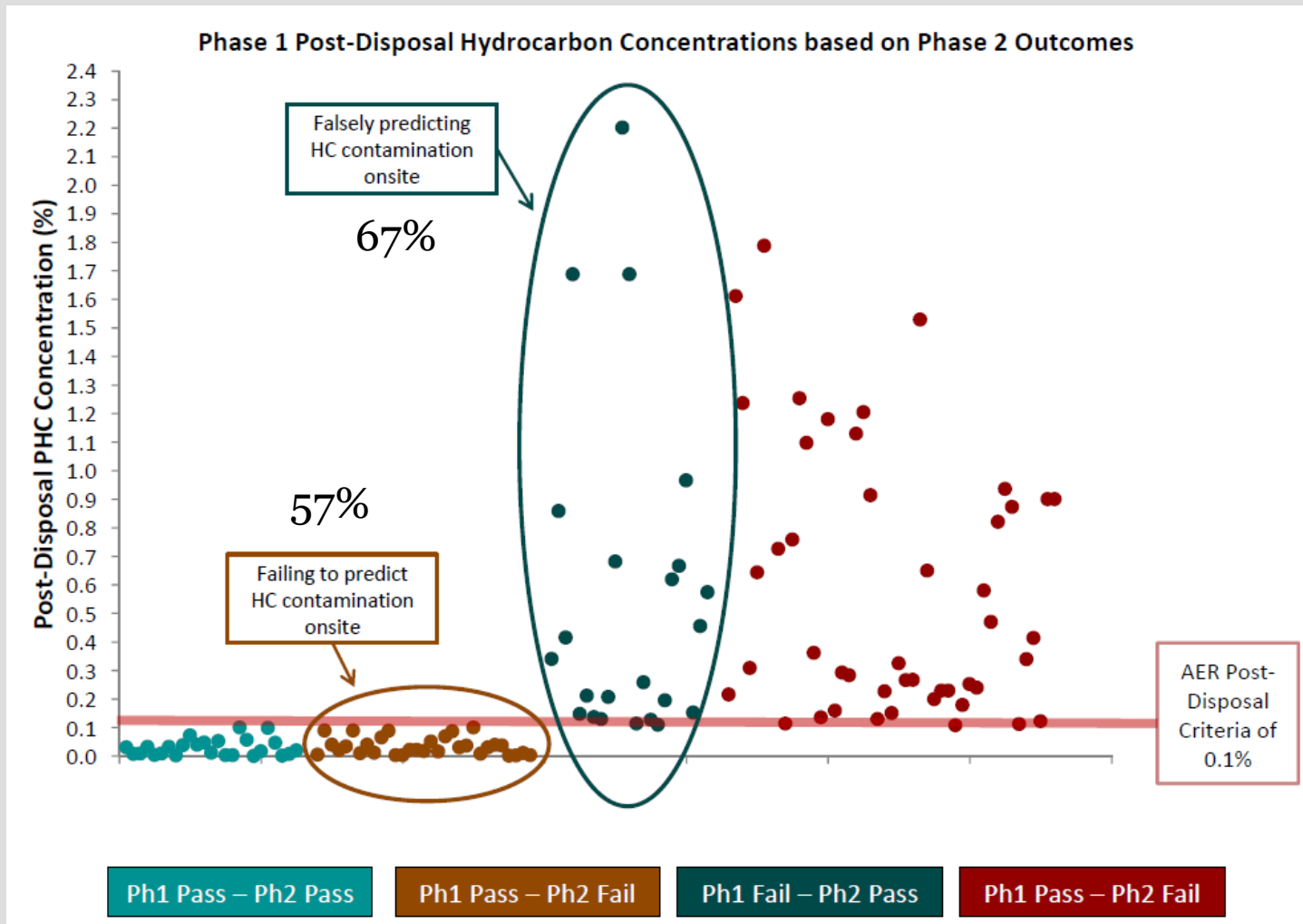
VS

2019 AB Tier 1

	BTEX and PHC (F1-F4)									
	Benzene	Toluene	Ethylbenzene	Total Xylenes	F1 ²	F2	F3	F4 ³	TOTAL PHC (mg/kg)	% Total PHC
AEP Tier 1 2019 Subsurface	0.046	0.52	0.073	0.99	420	300	2600	10000	13321	1.33
1996 D050 [PHC] - Subsoil	(X) 21739	(X) 1923	(X) 13698	(X) 1010	(X) 2.4	(X) 3.3	OVER	OVER	1000	0.1



Phase 1 PHC Trigger VS Phase 2 Results



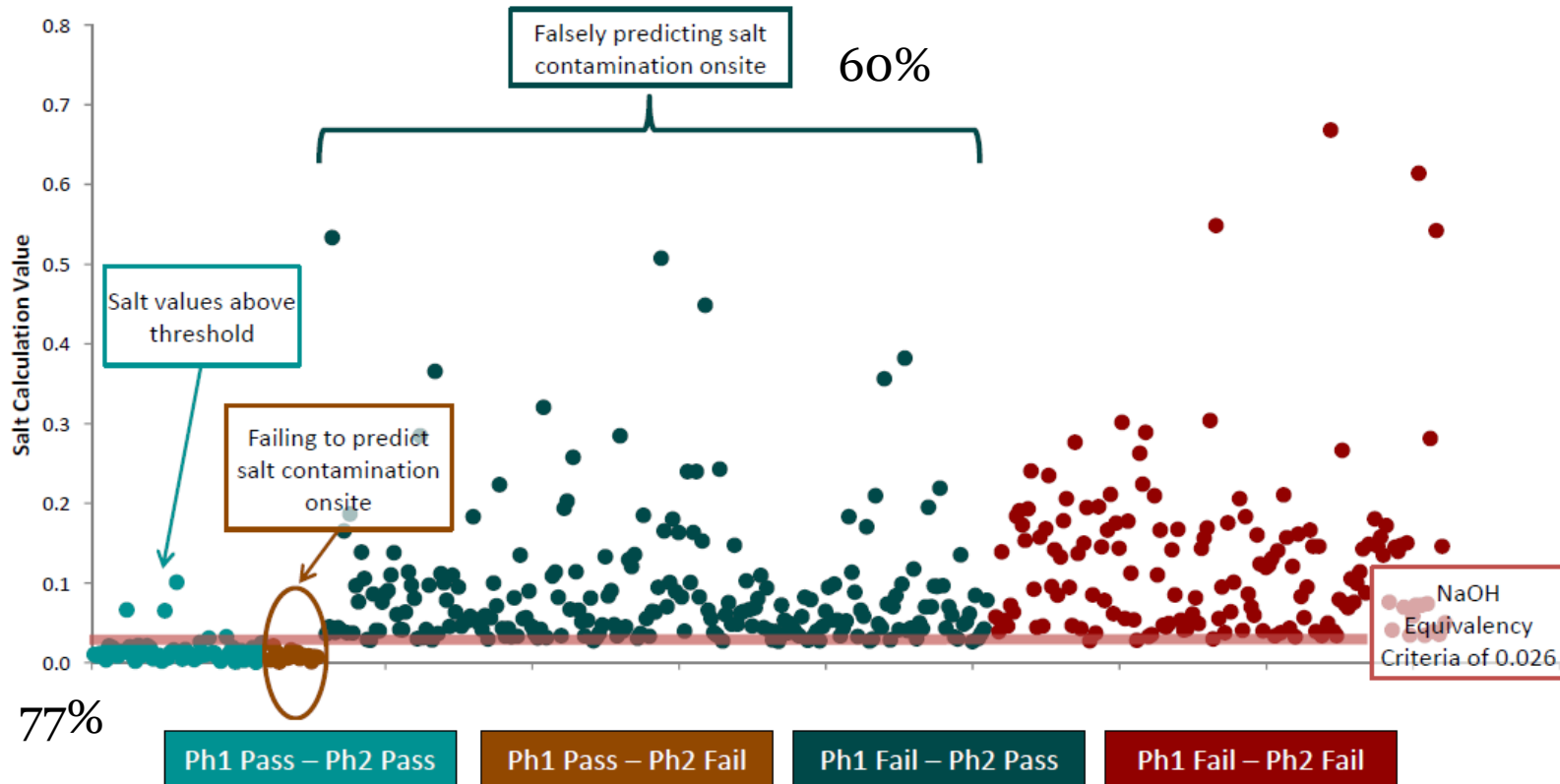
Salt and Default DST Triggers

- Salts - Sodium Hydroxide Equivalency (NaOH)
0.026 and 0.035
 - DST default chloride concentration
350,000 mg/L - 2007
215,000 mg/L - 2012

Too Conservative?

Salt Calculation Trigger VS Phase 2 Results

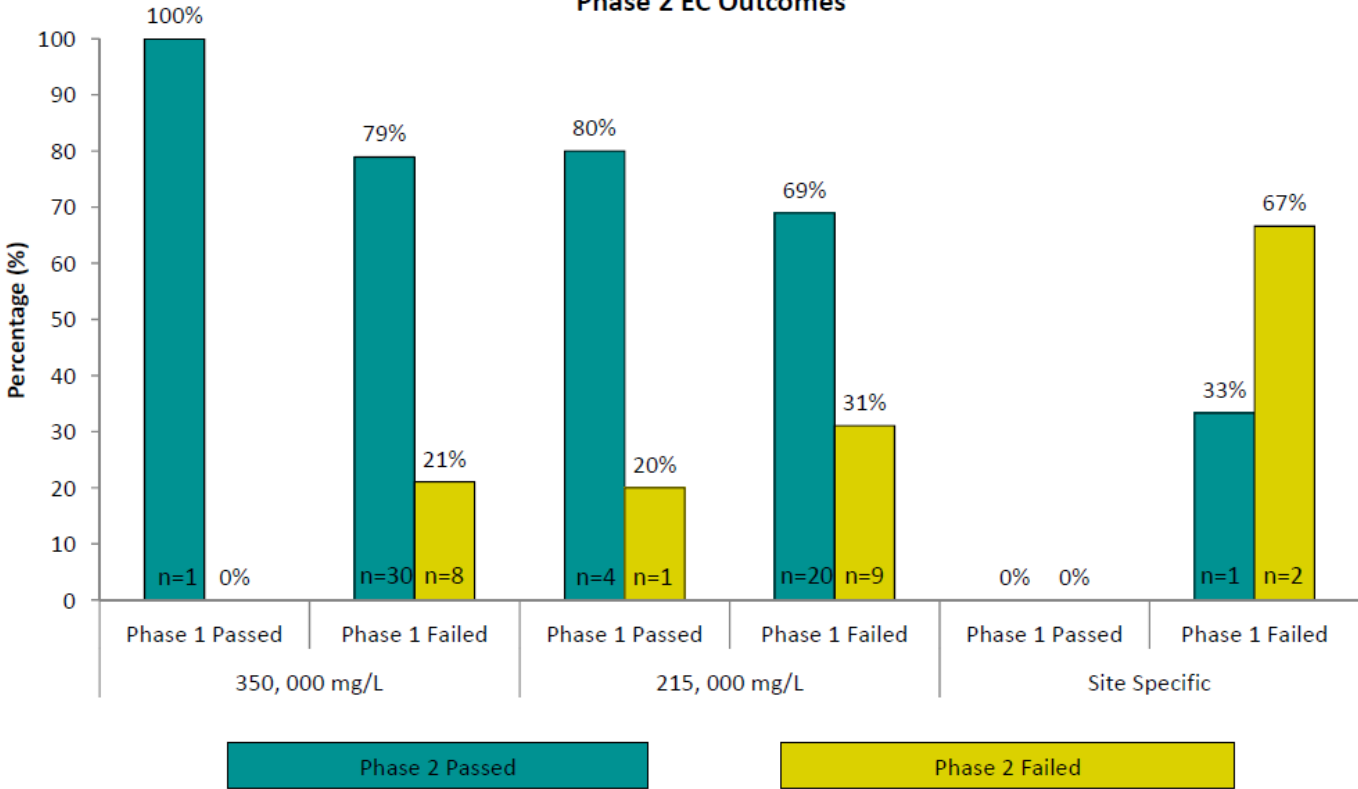
Phase 1 Salt Calculation Values based on the Phase 2 EC Outcomes
for Sites Pre-October 22, 1996



Default DST Chloride Concentration Vs Phase 2 Results

>50% DST

Pre-1996 Phase 1 Outcomes with > 50% DST Contribution to Salt Calculation Compared to Phase 2 EC Outcomes



PHC, Salt and DST Opportunities

- Phase 1 post disposal PHC concentration is not an accurate predictor of Tier 1 exceedances during the Phase 2
- SALT Calculation likely too conservative
- Default Chloride DST concentration too conservative (215,000 mg/kg)
- Research chloride concentrations based on formation that the DST return was taken from
- Using formation specific DST chloride concentrations that more accurately reflect risk associated with your site

QUESTIONS??



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