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NOTATION

The following is a list of the acronyms, initialisms, and abbreviations (including units of measure) used in this document. Some acronyms used in tables or equations only are defined in the respective tables or equations.

ACRONYMS, INITIALISMS, AND ABBREVIATIONS

ADD	applied daily dose
AEC	U.S. Atomic Energy Commission
ARAR	applicable or relevant and appropriate requirement
AWQC	ambient water quality criteria
BA	*Baseline Assessment of the Chemical Plant Area of the Weldon Spring Site* (DOE/ER/21548-091)
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as amended
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CSR	Code of State Regulations
DNT	dinitrotoluene
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
EE/CA	engineering evaluation/cost analysis
EEQ	ecological effects quotient
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FR	*Federal Register*
NCP	National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
ORAU	Oak Ridge Associated Universities
PCB	polychlorinated biphenyl
RI/FS	remedial investigation/feasibility study
TBC	to-be-considered (requirement)
TNT	trinitrotoluene
UCL	one-tailed 95% upper confidence limit of the arithmetic average
USC	United States Code

UNITS OF MEASURE

°C	degree(s) Celsius	dBA	decibel(s), A-weighted
°F	degree(s) Fahrenheit	ft	foot (feet)
cm	centimeter(s)	ft^2	square foot (feet)
d	day(s)	g	gram(s)

h	hour(s)
ha	hectare(s)
in.	inch(es)
kg	kilogram(s)
km	kilometer(s)
L	liter(s)
µCi	microcurie(s)
µg	microgram(s)
m	meter(s)
m^2	square meter(s)
m^3	cubic meter(s)
mg	milligram(s)
mi	mile(s)
mL	milliliter(s)
mrem	millirem(s)
pCi	picocurie(s)
ppm	part(s) per million
rad	radiation-absorbed dose
rem	roentgen-equivalent man
s	second(s)
yd^3	cubic yard(s)
yr	year(s)

ENGINEERING EVALUATION/COST ANALYSIS FOR THE PROPOSED REMOVAL ACTION AT THE SOUTHEAST DRAINAGE NEAR THE WELDON SPRING SITE, WELDON SPRING, MISSOURI

1 OVERVIEW AND SUMMARY

This engineering evaluation/cost analysis (EE/CA) has been prepared to support the proposed removal of contaminated sediment from selected portions of the Southeast Drainage as part of cleanup activities being conducted at the Weldon Spring site in St. Charles County, Missouri, by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). The cleanup activities are conducted in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, incorporating the values of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The Weldon Spring site is located near the town of Weldon Spring, about 48 km (30 mi) west of St. Louis. It consists of two noncontiguous areas: the chemical plant area and a limestone quarry about 6.4 km (4 mi) south-southwest of the chemical plant area. The Southeast Drainage is a natural 2.4-km (1.5-mi) channel that carries surface runoff to the Missouri River from the southern portion of the chemical plant area and a small portion of the ordnance works area (part of the Weldon Spring Training Area; see Figure 1) south of the groundwater divide. The drainage became contaminated as a result of past activities of the U.S. Army and the DOE (and its predecessors).

For planning purposes, the drainage was delineated into four segments to facilitate the decision-making process. Factors considered in delineating the drainage included accessibility by standard excavation and hauling equipment, main channel slope, side slope, channel width, vegetation characteristics, safety, and public access. Sediment data were collected from each segment, and the results indicate widespread, heterogeneous contamination. Surface water in the drainage is also radioactively and chemically contaminated; the principal contaminant is uranium. Groundwater contamination beneath the drainage is being addressed as part of the remedial investigation/feasibility study (RI/FS) process for the groundwater operable unit of the chemical plant area (DOE 1995b).

Risk calculations performed indicate that on the basis of current and hypothetical future land use, contamination in the drainage does not pose an unacceptable risk to human health and does not indicate a need for further action. However, radioactive contamination in sediment is distributed heterogeneously, and excavation of selected localized areas would provide further protection to a receptor in the drainage. Therefore, the intent of the proposed removal action is to reduce the potential for risk to human health and the environment from contaminated sediment present in the drainage. The excavated material would be transported to and stored in an on-site storage area (e.g., the Ash Pond storage area or the material staging area of the chemical plant), pending final disposition of these materials into the disposal cell.

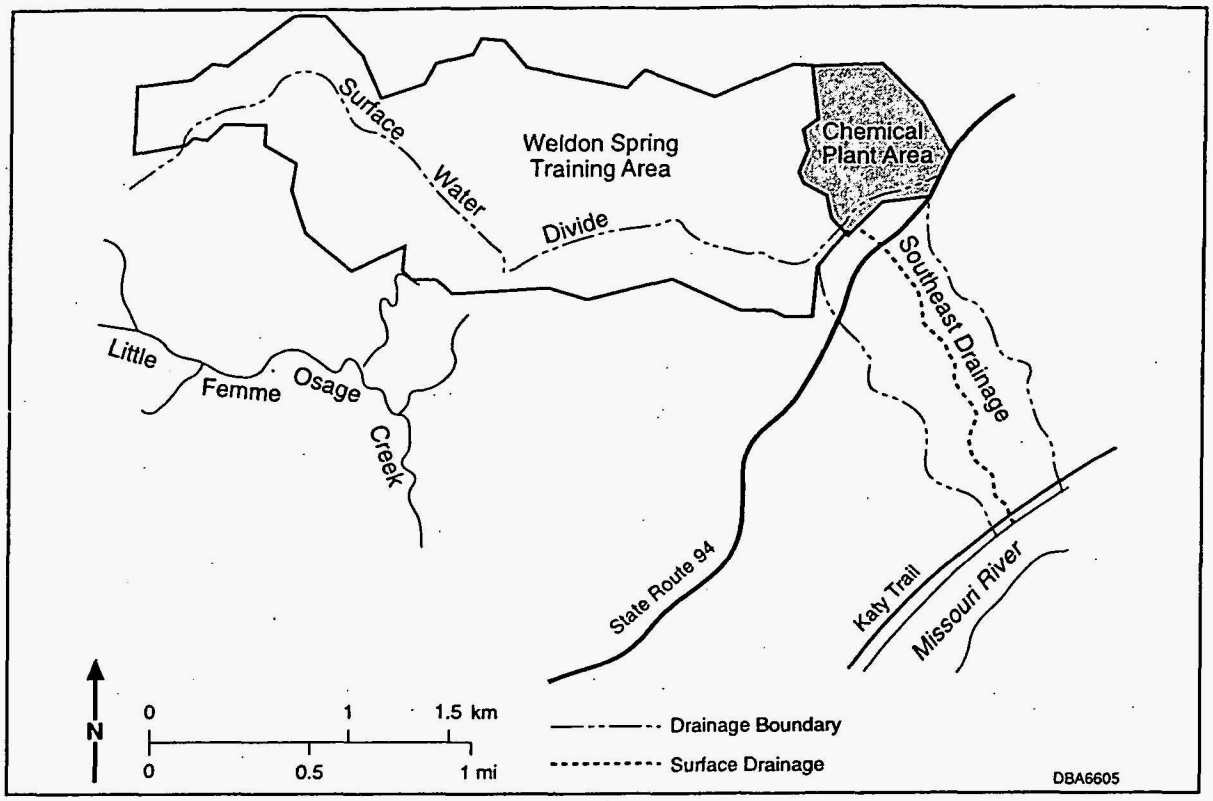

FIGURE 1 Location of the Southeast Drainage

The proposed removal action is expected to be implemented after appropriate regulatory agencies, local governmental officials, and the public have had sufficient opportunity to review and comment on the proposal. The DOE has had preliminary discussions regarding the proposed action with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region VII, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, the Missouri Department of Conservation, the Missouri Department of Health, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Negotiations and agreements to date are reflected in the discussions presented in this report.

The remaining discussions presented in this report are organized as follows:

- Chapter 2 — A brief site description and background, data summaries, and risk calculations;
- Chapter 3 — Regulatory requirements;
- Chapter 4 — List of potentially applicable technologies and alternatives;
- Chapter 5 — Comparison of the potential alternatives; and
- Chapter 6 — Description of the proposed removal action.

2 SITE CHARACTERIZATION

2.1 BACKGROUND

The Southeast Drainage is a natural, first-order intermittent stream located in a relatively steep-sided valley cut into the limestone bluffs along the Missouri River; the drainage extends from the southeastern corner of the chemical plant area to the river (Figure 1). Historically, the drainage was used by the Army and the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC, predecessor of DOE) for discharging wastewaters to the Missouri River. The Army operated the Weldon Spring Ordnance Works, an explosives production facility that manufactured trinitrotoluene (TNT) and dinitrotoluene (DNT) in the 1940s for use during World War II. Effluents from the wastewater treatment plants were discharged via the Southeast Drainage. The Weldon Spring chemical plant was operated for the AEC by the Uranium Division of Mallinckrodt Chemical Works from 1957 to 1966 to process uranium ore concentrates. Waste slurries were piped to the raffinate pits, where the solids settled to the bottom; the supernatant liquids were decanted to the plant process sewer, which discharged to the Southeast Drainage. More recently, the drainage was also used to discharge effluents from the sanitary treatment plant at the DOE project office building. As a result of past operations, surface water and sediment in the drainage are radioactively and chemically contaminated. Therefore, the Southeast Drainage has been designated as a chemical plant area vicinity property, for which DOE has responsibility for remediation.

The Southeast Drainage is within the extreme southeastern portion of the Dissected Till Plains, a subdivision of the Central Lowlands Plateau Physiographic Province. The drainage is part of the Missouri River watershed and drains the southern portion of the chemical plant area and a small portion of the ordnance works area south of a groundwater divide that separates the Mississippi and Missouri River watersheds (Figure 1). The total area of the Southeast Drainage basin is about 106 ha (262 acres). Sediment in the drainage consists primarily of silty clays and clayey silts. The upper portion of the channel is situated in a steep, narrow-walled valley where the near surface is rocky with very little sediment. The lower portion flattens and broadens, and sediment deposits increase as the Missouri River is approached. In previous investigations, four springs and one sinkhole were identified in the drainage (Missouri Department of Natural Resources 1991). Although surface water within the channel loses to the subsurface and at times disappears completely, groundwater discharges to the surface within the same channel downstream and is eventually released to the Missouri River; no water losses to areas outside the watershed have been detected (Missouri Department of Natural Resources 1991).

The Southeast Drainage is located within the Missouri Department of Conservation's Weldon Spring Conservation Area in St. Charles County, Missouri. This area is actively managed for wildlife, contains a variety of terrestrial and aquatic habitats, and supports a diverse biota. The vegetation, fish and wildlife, and habitats of this conservation area are described in detail in the baseline assessment (BA) that was prepared for the chemical plant area (DOE 1992).

The terrestrial habitat along the drainage is a stable, mature hardwood forest community of very high quality. Many of the trees range in age from 40 to 80 years, and a large number of trees are more than 100 years old. Common tree species include oak, maple, hickory, and sycamore. The drainage provides suitable habitat for a variety of wildlife, including amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals. Recent biotic surveys within the drainage have indicated the presence of a rather diverse amphibian community (10 species) that includes a state rare species and the first county record for the dark-sided salamander. No suitable habitat for waterfowl occurs along the Southeast Drainage. Because of its intermittent and losing nature, the drainage supports a limited fish fauna that is restricted primarily to a few permanent spring-fed pools and to the lowermost portion of the drainage near its confluence with the Missouri River.

Although a variety of fish have been observed in pool habitats in the vicinity of springs SP-5303 and SP-5304, to date only the green sunfish has been collected from these habitats. The very limited fish fauna of this reach of the drainage is most likely a consequence of the overall absence of permanent aquatic habitat within all but the lowermost portions of the drainage. Seven species have been collected in sampling of the lower reaches of the drainage near its confluence with the Missouri River; they are all common species in Missouri and typical of small drainages throughout the Midwest. These latter species likely move regularly between the Missouri River and the Southeast Drainage and probably leave the drainage for permanent habitats in the river as flows in the drainage become intermittent.

Although a number of federal-listed threatened, endangered, and candidate species have been identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as occurring in the area (Tieger 1988; Nash 1990), none of these species are expected to use habitats in the Southeast Drainage. Several state-listed species also occur in the area, and some may use the drainage. The state rare wood frog, a forest-floor-dwelling species, has been found in the Southeast Drainage, and the state rare Cooper's hawk could use terrestrial habitats along the drainage. The western sand darter is a state watch-listed species that has been reported from St. Charles County and may be present in the lowermost reaches of the Southeast Drainage. However, surveys in the drainage have not found this species.

The Weldon Spring area has a modified continental climate characterized by moderately cold winters and warm summers. The average temperature in the region is 13°C (55.4°F); the average daily maximum and minimum temperatures are 31.7°C (89.0°F) and -6.7°C (19.9°F), respectively. The normal annual precipitation in the area is 86.1 cm (33.9 in.) (Bair 1992).

A review of existing file/literature information regarding archaeological and historic resources of the Southeast Drainage area and an archaeological field survey and evaluation were conducted for DOE in 1990 (Walters 1990a-b). The field survey entailed a surface examination of the streambed and exposed cutbanks. One prehistoric lithic artifact (projectile point) was recovered from the streambed; the artifact exhibited evidence of extensive water transport and probably had been redeposited. No archaeological remains were observed in the exposed stream cutbanks. One historic period site (farmstead location) is located at the creek mouth near the confluence with the Missouri River; structures associated with this farmstead were demolished when the U.S. Army

acquired the property. No evidence was found of significant cultural remains in the area directly affected by the stream. Neither the isolated prehistoric artifact nor the historic farmstead location appears likely to meet eligibility criteria for listing in the *National Register of Historic Places*.

2.2 ANALYTICAL DATA

Analytical data for sediment and surface water were compiled and analyzed to perform a risk assessment that can be used to support a decision regarding remediation of the Southeast Drainage. A separate discussion that includes information and justification for data used is provided for each medium.

2.2.1 Sediment

The Southeast Drainage was originally surveyed for radioactive sediment contamination in 1984 by Oak Ridge Associated Universities (ORAU) (Deming 1986; Boerner 1986). The purpose of the survey was to identify radioactively contaminated areas outside of the chemical plant area boundary to be designated as vicinity properties. The results of the survey indicated that sediment in the drainage was radioactively contaminated in a heterogeneous manner. The ORAU survey results for sediment samples indicated concentrations ranging from levels that are typical of background soil in the area to a maximum concentration of 210 pCi/g for radium-226, 240 pCi/g for radium-228, 1,000 pCi/g for uranium-238, and 10,000 pCi/g for thorium-230. The average measured background concentration of uranium-238, thorium-230, radium-228, and radium-226 is 1.2 pCi/g for each radionuclide (DOE 1992). Sediment sampling was conducted (MK-Ferguson Company and Jacobs Engineering Group 1996) to obtain more recent radiological and chemical data covering the length of the drainage, including locations identified as contaminated by ORAU in 1984. Because survey markers used to conduct the ORAU survey are no longer present in the drainage and conditions in the drainage may have changed in the 10 years that have elapsed since the ORAU survey was performed, the exact ORAU sampling locations could not be identified. The results of the ORAU survey were used to guide the recent sampling effort in terms of sampling locations and radiological parameters analyzed.

Planning for the recent sediment sampling (MK-Ferguson Company and Jacobs Engineering Group 1996) included dividing the drainage into four segments (A, B, C, and D); segmentation was done to facilitate identification of exposure units based on accessibility and likelihood of exposure and to determine technical feasibility with respect to mobilization of conventional excavation and hauling equipment (MK-Ferguson Company and Jacobs Engineering Group 1995). Radiological characterization data collected within each segment of the drainage included a gamma walkover survey and systematic and biased soil samples collected from surface and subsurface increments. The procedures used to conduct the walkover survey and the soil sampling are described in the sampling report (MK-Ferguson Company and Jacobs Engineering Group 1996). Soil sampling locations and segmentation of the drainage are depicted in Figure 2.

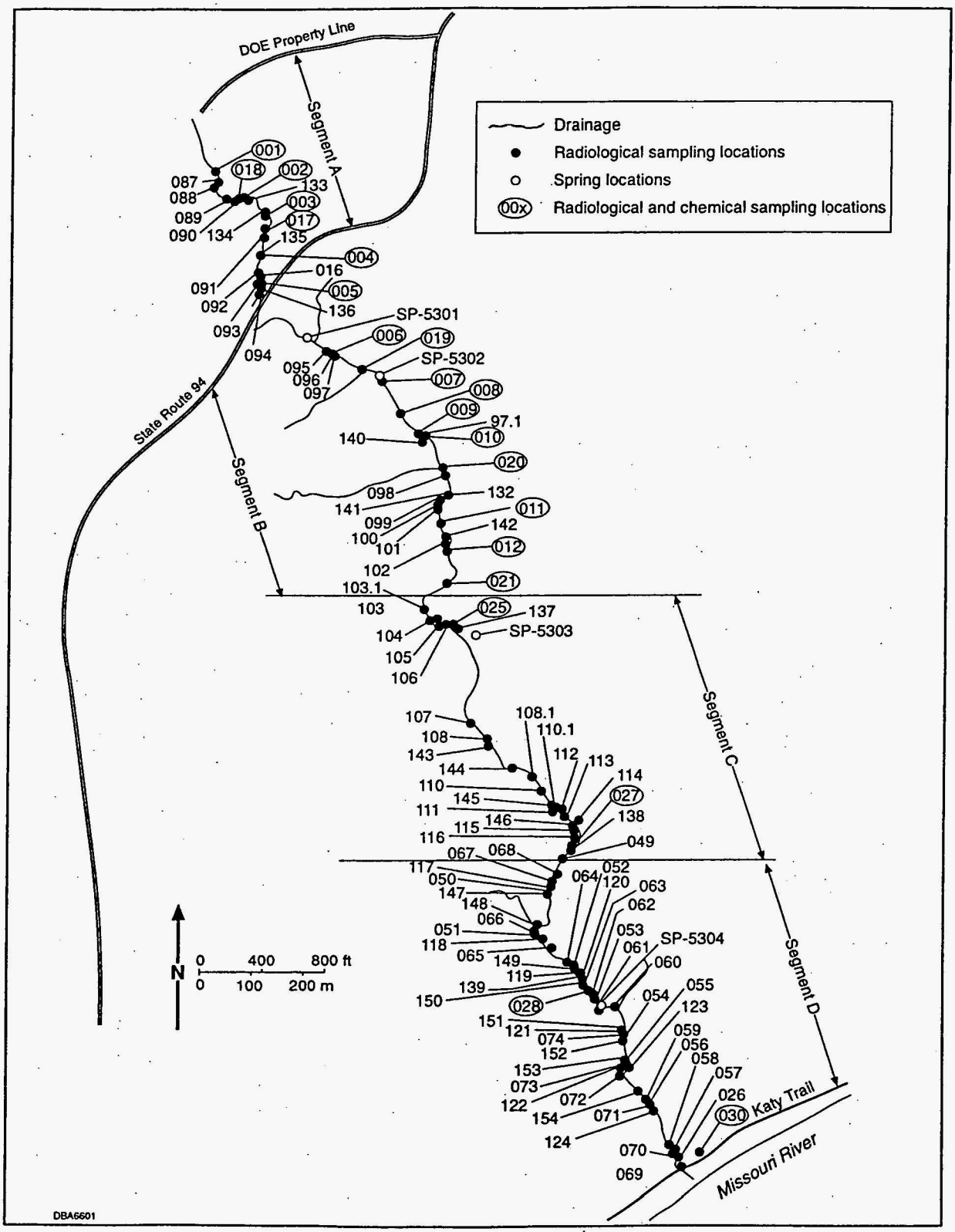

FIGURE 2 Sediment Sampling Locations and Segmentation of the Southeast Drainage

Each soil sample was analyzed for uranium-238, radium-226, radium-228, and thorium-230. Concentrations of other radionuclides in the uranium-238 and thorium-232 decay series can be determined from these principal radionuclides by assuming secular equilibrium, in which the activities of the associated decay products are equal to those of the principal radionuclides (see Section 2.3.2.1 of the BA for the chemical plant area [DOE 1992]). The radiological data collected for each segment are summarized in Table 1. In general, the results of the recent sampling are consistent with the results of the ORAU survey. Radiological risk calculations for this EE/CA focused on data collected from the recent sampling effort because these data are believed to represent current conditions in the Southeast Drainage. In addition, a data-sufficiency exercise was performed to ensure that the radiological data were sufficient to support a risk-based decision for the drainage (Black and Carlson 1996).

Various studies conducted before the recent sampling effort included limited characterization of the chemical content of drainage sediment (MK-Ferguson Company and Jacobs Engineering Group 1989; Bethel et al. 1993; IT Corporation 1992; Environmental Science & Engineering 1993). These studies focused mainly on characterizing metals and nitroaromatic compounds but also included some analysis for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and other organic compounds. Samples were obtained from all four segments in the drainage. These sampling efforts did not reveal any contamination with nitroaromatic compounds or PCBs. Several metals — including cadmium, copper, manganese, mercury, and zinc — may have been somewhat elevated with respect to background soil levels presented in the BA for the chemical plant area (DOE 1992). However, it is not clear that the levels were statistically significantly different from background.

Sediment samples collected from the recent sampling effort were also analyzed for metals, nitroaromatic compounds, and PCBs. Eight composite samples representing 21 locations covering the length of the drainage were collected. The results of these composite samples were similar to those from previous characterization efforts, with the exception that low levels of nitroaromatic compounds were detected in a composite sample from Segment B, and low levels of PCBs were detected in two composites representing sampling locations within Segments A, C, and D. To further delineate PCB concentrations within these segments, discrete samples were collected from the locations where the composite samples were taken. A total of seven samples were collected; four from Segment A, two from Segment C, and one from Segment D. The results for samples from Segment A ranged from 0.035 to 3.0 mg/kg; the two samples from Segment C were reported at 0.061 to 150 mg/kg; and the sample from Segment D was reported at 0.048 mg/kg. Another round of sampling was performed to delineate PCB concentrations at the location where the value of 150 mg/kg was detected; this location also exhibited high concentrations of radioactive contaminants (i.e., sample ID 025). Fourteen samples were collected representing depths to approximately 2 ft below surface. The PCB results from this round of sampling ranged from 0.024 to 5.0 mg/kg (MK-Ferguson Company and Jacobs Engineering Group 1996). The chemical data for each segment of the Southeast Drainage are summarized in Table 1. The table includes data from previous chemical analyses and from the recent chemical composite sampling event. Radiological data presented are results from the recent sampling events. Human health risk calculations presented in

TABLE 1 Summary of Sediment Data in the Southeast Drainage

Parameter	Segment A			Segment B			Segment C			Segment D		
	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]
Radionuclides (pCi/g)												
Radium-226	34/34	1.1-170	35	24/24	0.3-260	87	53/53	0.95-360	86	120/120	0.89-160	34
Radium-228	34/34	0.6-330	23	24/24	0.7-19	5.5	53/53	0.8-36	7.8	121/121	0.14-86	8.9
Thorium-230	34/34	0.2-430	62	24/24	0.3-4,900	970	53/53	1.0-1,700	290	128/128	0.5-7,900	580
Uranium-238	34/34	14-330	120	24/24	2.6-120	60	53/53	1.2-740	160	128/128	0.9-280	74
Metals (mg/kg)												
Aluminum	4/4	8,800-16,000	16,000	4/4	7,100-18,000	16,000	3/3	9,100-13,000	15,000	6/6	3,200-22,000	18,000
Antimony	0/4	-[d]	2.9	0/4	-	2.9	0/3	-	3.5	0/6	-	3.1
Arsenic	4/4	11-26	24	5/5	4.7-14	14	10/10	1.6-14	11	11/11	3.7-13	10
Barium	4/4	150-700	700	5/5	110-270	270	10/10	49-270	210	9/9	140-260	220
Beryllium	4/4	0.56-1.0	1.0	4/4	0.50-1.0	1.0	3/3	0.61-1.0	1.3	6/6	0.60-1.0	1.0
Cadmium	2/4	1.1-2.4	2.1	2/5	0.78-0.86	0.79	4/10	0.40-2.8	1.3	3/9	0.84-1.5	1.0
Calcium	4/4	5,400-33,000	29,000	4/4	2,300-20,000	17,000	3/3	3,100-33,000	42,000	6/6	2,500-40,000	30,000
Chromium	4/4	25-130	120	5/5	9.8-32	28	12/12	6.5-49	25	11/11	6.3-53	30
Cobalt	4/4	12-37	33	4/4	9.0-29	31	3/3	11-26	31	6/6	8.0-19	15
Copper	4/4	12-110	100	4/4	6.6-16	17	5/5	8.1-170	110	8/8	2.5-36	26
Iron	4/4	8,400-31,000	34,000	4/4	11,000-27,000	27,000	3/3	15,000-21,000	23,000	6/6	8,600-26,000	22,000
Lead	4/4	48-120	110	5/5	21-43	39	12/12	10-48	34	17/17	4.3-48	21
Lithium	3/3	5.3-11	14	3/3	4.8-7.1	7.8	1/1	11	11	2/2	11	11
Magnesium	4/4	1,600-4,800	5,200	4/4	1,100-2,900	2,700	3/3	1,800-2,300	2,400	6/6	660-6,400	5,100
Manganese	4/4	850-3,300	2,900	4/4	880-2,600	2,800	5/5	470-2,600	2,100	8/8	580-6,500	3,100
Mercury	3/4	0.29-4.2	3.7	2/5	0.06-0.41	0.28	2/10	0.89-1.6	0.59	9/15	0.05-7.0	2.0
Molybdenum	3/3	1.9-6.4	7.7	2/3	2.6-3.2	4.6	1/1	2.7	2.7	2/2	1.6-2.7	5.6
Nickel	4/4	21-35	35	4/4	12-28	31	3/3	26-66	78	6/6	21-28	28
Potassium	4/4	560-1,200	1,100	4/4	710-960	930	3/3	730-1,100	1,300	5/6	1,100-2,500	2,100
Selenium	2/4	0.61-0.69	0.74	3/5	0.41-0.53	0.51	3/10	0.45-0.69	0.44	3/9	0.34-1.4	1.2
Silver	2/4	2.8-13	11	1/5	1.1	0.85	4/12	0.96-3.4	1.6	3/15	0.80-5.1	1.6
Sodium	3/4	34-88	220	3/4	30-250	220	1/3	130	320	2/6	130-160	260
Thallium	0/4	-	0.44	0/4	-	0.44	0/3	-	0.74	0/6	-	0.53
Vanadium	4/4	45-75	72	4/4	21-51	55	3/3	30-46	51	6/6	14-51	46
Zinc	4/4	120-710	630	5/5	33-88	90	11/11	58-160	110	12/12	25-98	76

TABLE 1 (Cont.)

Parameter	Segment A			Segment B			Segment C			Segment D		
	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]
PCBs (mg/kg)												
Aroclor 1016	0/4	-	NA[d]	0/4	-	NA	0/3	-	NA	0/3	-	NA
Aroclor 1221	0/4	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	0/3	-	NA	0/3	-	NA
Aroclor 1232	0/4	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	0/3	-	NA	0/3	-	NA
Aroclor 1242	0/4	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	0/3	-	NA	0/3	-	NA
Aroclor 1248	0/4	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	0/3	-	NA	0/3	-	NA
Aroclor 1254	1/4	0.32	NA	0/4	-	NA	1/3	3.9	NA	1/3	3.9	NA
Aroclor 1260	1/4	0.29	NA	0/4	-	NA	1/3	3.0	NA	1/3	3.0	NA
Nitroaromatics (mg/kg)												
2,4,6-Trinitrotoluene	0/4	-	NA	0/18	-	NA	1/23	0.0054	4.5	0/20	-	NA
2,4-Dinitrotoluene	0/4	-	NA	1/4	0.0023	0.31	0/6	-	NA	0/7	-	NA
2,6-Dinitrotoluene	0/4	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	0/6	-	NA	0/7	-	NA
Nitrobenzene	0/4	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	0/6	-	NA	0/7	-	NA
1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene	0/4	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	0/6	-	NA	0/7	-	NA
1,3-Dinitrobenzene	0/4	-	NA	1/4	0.036	0.48	0/6	-	NA	0/7	-	NA
m-Nitrotoluene	NT[d]	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	0/1	-	NA	0/1	-	NA
o-Nitrotoluene	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	0/1	-	NA	0/1	-	NA
p-Nitrotoluene	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	0/1	-	NA	0/1	-	NA

[a] DF = detection frequency (number of times detected/number of samples taken).

[b] Range = range of detected concentrations for all data (i.e., surface and subsurface).

[c] UCL values (one-tailed 95% upper confidence limit of the arithmetic average) for surface sediment samples were used as exposure point concentrations. For samples reported as not detected for metals, the concentration was assumed to be half the detection limit. For nitroaromatic compounds, UCL values were not calculated when the detection frequency was zero because there is no natural background level. For a sample size of 1, the detected value was used as the UCL for risk assessment calculations.

[d] NA = not applicable; NT = not tested; a hyphen indicates the parameter was not detected.

Sources: Radiological data from MK-Ferguson Company and Jacobs Engineering Group (1996); chemical data from MK-Ferguson Company and Jacobs Engineering Group (1989, 1996), Bethel et al. (1993), IT Corporation (1992), Environmental Science & Engineering (1993).

Section 2.3.2 are based on data presented in this table. Data from discrete samples discussed above were used for risk calculations for PCBs.

Sediment samples were also collected for chemical analysis and toxicity testing to support the ecological risk assessment for the drainage (DOE 1995a). Samples were collected from two locations within the drainage, springs SP-5303 and SP-5304, and were analyzed for chromium, copper, lead, manganese, silver, zinc, and several nitroaromatic compounds. These were the constituents identified in the BA for the chemical plant area (DOE 1992) as being contaminants of ecological concern. Sediment samples were also collected from springs SP-5402 and SP-5406 within the 5400 drainage located immediately west of the Southeast Drainage. The 5400 drainage is the background drainage for all ecological investigations associated with the Southeast Drainage (DOE 1995a). Sediment samples from this background spring were analyzed for the same metals and nitroaromatics evaluated for springs SP-5303 and SP-5304.

At the background 5400 drainage, no nitroaromatic compounds were present at concentrations above detection limits, and concentrations of metals were within the lower ends of the ranges reported from the Southeast Drainage, except for copper and silver. Silver was not detected in the background sediment samples, whereas copper was present at lower concentrations (1.2 to 11.0 mg/kg) than detected in the Southeast Drainage.

2.2.2 Surface Water

Contamination of surface water in the drainage may be attributable to four sources: (1) runoff from contaminated soil in the southern portion of the chemical plant area; (2) overflow from the Imhoff tanks located at the headwaters of the drainage, which were used to store and decant process wastes when the chemical plant was in operation; (3) desorbed contamination from sediment within the drainage; and (4) contaminated groundwater beneath the drainage. Although it is not possible to discern the contribution from each source, ongoing remediation at the chemical plant area has resulted in the recent cleanup of the majority of contaminated site soil and the removal of the Imhoff tanks and surrounding soil, which was completed in July 1994. Surface water quality is expected to continually improve because of the removal of these various sources.

Contamination of surface water was monitored at the four springs along the drainage (SP-5301, SP-5302, SP-5303, and SP-5304; Figure 2) from 1987 to 1995 as part of the Weldon Spring site environmental monitoring program. Water samples from the springs were analyzed for radionuclides, metals, inorganic anions, and nitroaromatic compounds; the sampling frequency varied for each parameter.

Surface water samples were also collected for chemical analysis and toxicity testing to support the ecological risk assessment for the drainage (DOE 1995a). Samples were collected from springs SP-5303 and SP-5304 and analyzed for chromium, copper, lead, manganese, silver, zinc, total uranium, and several nitroaromatics. Surface water samples were also collected from springs

SP-5402 and SP-5406 within the 5400 drainage. These samples were analyzed for the same metals and nitroaromatics evaluated for springs SP-5303 and SP-5304.

Results for the Southeast Drainage indicate that radioactive contamination in surface water is limited to uranium. Analysis of radium and thorium isotopes was discontinued in 1989 because measured concentrations were at levels that are representative of naturally occurring levels.

At the background 5400 drainage, which was sampled on only one occasion, no nitroaromatic compounds were present at concentrations above detection limits. Concentrations of metals were similar to the concentrations reported from the Southeast Drainage, except for lead, manganese, and silver. At the 5400 drainage, lead and silver were not detected, and manganese was present at much higher concentrations (maximum concentrations of 196 and 285 μg/L) than in the Southeast Drainage (maximum concentration of 87 μg/L). Nitrate and total uranium levels in the 5400 drainage were much lower than the levels detected in the Southeast Drainage.

Higher levels of uranium (ranging up to 590 pCi/L) have typically been measured in the uppermost reaches of the drainage, but levels decrease as the Missouri River is approached. Nitroaromatic compounds have been detected frequently at low concentrations in samples from springs SP-5303 and SP-5304; the highest concentrations are for 2,4,6-trinitrotoluene at spring SP-5303. The maximum 2,4,6-trinitrotoluene concentration of 280 μg/L was measured in earlier sampling (1987); current levels are one order of magnitude lower. With one exception, nitroaromatic compounds have not been detected in springs SP-5301 and SP-5302 (2,4-dinitrotoluene was detected at 0.89 μg/L in a sample from spring SP-5302 in one 1989 sampling round).

Surface water data are summarized in Table 2. These radiological and chemical data were used to calculate associated human health risks, which are presented in Section 2.3.3.

2.3 RISK CALCULATIONS

Human health risk calculations were performed using the radiological and chemical sediment and surface water analytical data presented in Tables 1 and 2. The exposure scenarios, intake parameters, and risk calculations for sediment and surface water are presented in Sections 2.3.1 through 2.3.3.

A screening-level ecological risk assessment was also conducted using the analytical data presented in Tables 1 and 2. This assessment (discussed in Section 2.3.4) included biotic surveys and toxicity testing of surface water, and evaluated risks to aquatic and terrestrial biota. It was conducted to provide a preliminary evaluation of potential risks to ecological resources within the drainage and to provide support for the remedial decision-making process.

TABLE 2 Summary of Surface Water Data in the Southeast Drainage

Parameter	SP-5301			SP-5302			SP-5303			SP-5304		
	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]
Radionuclides (pCi/L)												
Uranium, total	19/19	56-590	360	16/16	67-540	350	31/31	67-370	200	31/31	40-310	160
Metals (μg/L)												
Aluminum	1/2	205	480	0/1	-	100	2/4	91-240	220	1/4	29	110
Antimony	1/2	76	200	0/1	-	30	1/4	70	64	1/4	73	66
Arsenic	0/2	-[d]	5.0	0/1	-	5	0/4	-	5.7	0/4	-	5.7
Barium	0/2	-	100	0/1	-	100	2/4	110-130	130	2/4	90-100	100
Beryllium	0/2	-	2.5	0/1	-	2.5	0/4	-	2.9	0/4	-	2.9
Cadmium	0/2	-	2.5	0/1	-	2.5	0/4	-	3.0	0/4	-	3.0
Calcium	2/2	49,000-61,000	92,000	1/1	47,000	47,000	4/4	47,000-88,000	96,000	4/4	53,000-95,000	93,000
Chromium	2/2	14-26	58	1/1	14	14	3/6	5-26	19	3/6	6.7-26	19
Cobalt	0/2	-	25	0/1	-	25	0/4	-	29	0/4	-	29
Copper	0/2	-	13	0/1	-	13	2/6	2.9-4.1	11	1/5	3.6	12
Iron	1/2	214	650	1/1	130	130	4/4	14-310	280	2/4	22-150	140
Lead	1/2	15	49	0/1	-	2.5	2/6	2.0-3.0	2.8	1/6	0.8	2.2
Lithium	0/2	-	25	0/1	-	25	0/4	-	28	0/4	-	28
Magnesium	2/2	12,000-16,000	28,000	1/1	11,000	11,000	4/4	11,000-18,000	17,000	4/4	9,300-15,000	14,000
Manganese	2/2	18-57	160	0/1	-	7.5	5/6	6.5-87	56	2/6	12-23	17
Mercury	0/2	-	0.10	0/1	-	0.10	0/4	-	0.11	0/4	-	0.11
Molybdenum	1/2	42	130	0/1	-	10	3/4	12-38	36	3/4	6.3-39	42
Nickel	0/2	-	20	0/1	-	20	1/4	9.2	22	0/4	-	23
Potassium	0/2	-	2,500	0/1	-	2,500	2/4	2,500-3,900	3,700	2/4	1,600-2,000	2,700
Selenium	0/2	-	2.5	0/1	-	2.5	0/4	-	2.8	0/4	-	2.8
Silver	1/2	6	8.7	0/1	-	5	0/6	-	3.9	2/6	2.6-4.0	4.4
Sodium	2/2	15,000-22,000	42,000	1/1	14,000	14,000	4/4	9,700-13,000	13,000	4/4	5,500-11,000	11,000
Thallium	0/2	-	5.0	0/1	-	5	0/4	-	5.7	0/4	-	5.7
Vanadium	0/2	-	25	0/1	-	25	1/4	26	33	1/4	24	33
Zinc	1/2	30	83	0/1	-	10	5/6	6.9-40	31	5/6	2.8-31	21

TABLE 2 (Cont.)

Parameter	SP-5301			SP-5302			SP-5303			SP-5304		
	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]	DF[a]	Range[b]	UCL[c]
Inorganic anions (mg/L)												
Chloride	6/6	5.1-24	19	4/4	4.8-26	26	7/7	4.2-13	12	7/7	3.1-18	12
Fluoride	4/6	0.36-0.60	0.48	4/4	0.30-0.40	0.42	5/5	0.30-0.60	0.55	3/5	0.32-0.50	0.47
Nitrate	6/6	1.5-35	23	4/4	2.0-31	31	13/13	0.20-18	7.1	12/12	0.43-9.1	4.6
Sulfate	6/6	31-82	78	4/4	32-210	190	10/11	34-67	60	10/10	26-59	50
Nitroaromatics (μg/L)												
2,4,6-Trinitrotoluene	0/6	-	NA[d]	0/4	-	NA	13/13	0.16-280	80	10/11	0.43-4.8	2.5
2,4-Dinitrotoluene	0/6	-	NA	1/4	0.89	0.65	6/13	0.060-11	3.0	6/11	0.060-0.1	0.10
2,6-Dinitrotoluene	0/6	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	7/13	0.070-11	3.0	7/11	0.07-0.4	0.26
Nitrobenzene	0/6	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	1/13	0.87	1.3	0/11	-	NA
1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene	0/6	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	10/13	0.06-0.47	1.2	5/11	0.030-0.42	0.13
1,3-Dinitrobenzene	0/6	-	NA	0/4	-	NA	1/13	0.81	1.2	0/11	-	NA
2-Amino-4,6-dinitro-toluene	NT[d]	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	1/1	4.7	4.7	1/1	1.2	1.2
4-Amino-2,6-dinitro-toluene	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	NT	1/1	5.8	4.7	1/1	2.4	2.4

[a] DF = detection frequency (number of times detected/number of samples taken).

[b] Range = range of detected concentrations.

[c] UCL = one-tailed 95% upper confidence limit of the arithmetic average; for samples reported as not detected, the concentration was assumed to be half the detection limit. For nitroaromatic compounds, UCLs were not calculated when the detection frequency was zero because there is no natural background level. For a sample size of 1 (i.e., SP-5302 metals), the detected value was used as the UCL for risk assessment calculations.

[d] A hyphen indicates the parameter was not detected; NT = not tested; NA = not applicable.

2.3.1 Exposure Assessment and Risk Characterization

Land use for the Weldon Spring Conservation Area, in which the Southeast Drainage is located, is recreational and is expected to remain recreational in the future. Developed hiking trails do not exist along the drainage, and discussions with the Missouri Department of Conservation indicate that there are no plans to further develop this area. The most accessible area of the drainage is believed to be Segment D; this segment can be accessed from Katy Trail, which is actively used for hiking and biking. Current land-use information indicates that hunting is allowed in the area of the drainage, with restrictions as appropriate for individual species (Missouri Department of Conservation 1989). Species hunted in the area include rabbit, squirrel, dove, deer, and turkey. Two exposure scenarios were developed on the basis of this information: a most likely current scenario and a maximum future scenario. For the most likely current scenario, it was assumed that a hunter would regularly hunt in the vicinity of the drainage. For the future scenario, it was assumed that a home could be built in the vicinity of the drainage, allowing a child to access the drainage for use as a play area.

For both the hunter and child scenarios, the potentially significant modes of exposure are incidental ingestion of sediment, external irradiation, and ingestion of surface water from one of the springs. Inhalation of contaminated particulates and radon was not considered to be relevant because of the dense vegetation and high moisture content of many areas. Dermal exposure to sediment was evaluated qualitatively because of limitations in the methodology for evaluating this pathway (EPA 1992).

Exposure point concentrations for sediment were calculated for each exposure unit (i.e., segment) by using the one-tailed 95% upper confidence limit of the arithmetic average (UCL) or the maximum, whichever was lower (per EPA guidance; see EPA 1989). The equation to calculate the UCL is provided in Section 3.1 of the BA for the chemical plant area (DOE 1992). For radionuclides, all surface data were combined to calculate the exposure point concentration for each exposure segment. Collocated samples (i.e., samples taken in close proximity) and duplicate analyses were averaged before the UCL was calculated. Subsurface data were not used because statistical comparison between surface and subsurface data indicated that the levels were comparable. These data are, however, included in the location-specific analysis presented in Appendix A. The purpose of these calculations was to focus on identifying selected areas for remediation. For chemicals, UCL values for each segment for metals and nitroaromatic compounds are shown in Table 1. As discussed in Section 2.2.1, PCB results from discrete samples were used for risk calculations. The UCL values for Segments A, C, and D were 3.0, 26, and 0.048 mg/kg, respectively. No UCL value was derived for Segment B because the samples collected have been reported as nondetects. Surface water calculations were performed by using the UCL concentrations or maximums calculated for each spring, as presented in Table 2. The intake parameters for each scenario are listed in Table 3.

Contaminant intakes for chemicals were calculated by using the equations provided in Section 3.4 of the BA for the chemical plant area (DOE 1992). Toxicity values for chemicals (i.e., reference doses and slope factors) were obtained from the *Integrated Risk Information System*

TABLE 3 Exposure Scenario Assumptions and Intake Parameters

Parameter	Units	Scenario: Current Hunter	Scenario: Future Child
Exposure time	h/event	4	4
Exposure frequency	events/yr	20	90
Exposure duration	yr	10	10
Body weight	kg	70	40
Sediment ingestion rate	mg/event	100	100
Surface water ingestion rate	mL/event	200	200
Radius of contaminated area	m	2	2
Depth of contaminated area	m	1	1
Fraction of ingested sediment from elevated areas	unitless	1	1
Fraction of time spent in elevated areas	unitless	0.25	0.25

(EPA 1995) and the *Health Effects Assessment Summary Tables* (EPA 1994). These values were used to calculate carcinogenic risks (i.e., increased probability of developing cancer over a lifetime) and hazard quotients (i.e., measures of the potential for adverse health effects other than cancer; a hazard quotient of greater than 1 for an individual chemical indicates a potential for adverse health effects from the exposure). Hazard quotients for individual chemicals were aggregated into hazard indexes, which are used as preliminary indicators of potential for adverse health effects (a hazard index of greater than 1 indicates a need for further evaluation of the exposure). Detailed explanations of methods used to evaluate chemical toxicity are provided in Chapters 4 and 5 of the BA for the chemical plant area (DOE 1992).

The doses associated with exposure to radioactive contaminants were calculated with the equations provided in the BA for the chemical plant area (DOE 1992) and are provided in Appendix A of this EE/CA. Doses from the external gamma irradiation pathway were calculated on the basis of information from the radiological survey, which indicated an average area of contamination of about 10 m^2 (100 ft^2). Contamination in the drainage is localized, comprising only about 25% or less of the drainage area. Therefore, for calculating the external gamma doses, it was assumed that only 25% of the exposure time was spent in areas with elevated radionuclide concentrations because a receptor would be likely to move around the drainage. However, the entire amount of ingested sediment was assumed to be from areas with elevated contaminant levels. Radiological doses were converted to carcinogenic risks by using a risk factor of 6×10^{-7}/mrem. The justification for this risk factor is provided in Section 4.1 of the BA for the chemical plant area (DOE 1992).

2.3.2 Human Health Risks from Exposure to Sediment

The radiological risks from the combined pathways of ingestion of sediment and external gamma irradiation are presented in Table 4 for each exposure segment and scenario. Estimated risks for both the current and future use scenarios are within the range considered acceptable for Superfund sites, which is 1×10^{-6} to 1×10^{-4} (EPA 1990). The total risk for the hunter scenario ranges from 1×10^{-5} in Segments A and D to 2×10^{-5} in Segments B and C. The total risk for the future child scenario ranges from 5×10^{-5} in Segments A and D to 1×10^{-4} in Segment B. The major contributor to risk is radium-226.

The chemical carcinogenic risks and hazard indexes from ingestion of sediment are presented in Table 5. Because of the limited amount of data for background concentrations of metals and anions, all parameters listed in Tables 1 and 2 were included in the risk calculations (i.e., none were excluded through comparison with background). Risks for the current hunter scenario range from 2×10^{-7} to 2×10^{-6}, and risks for the future child scenario range from 2×10^{-6} to 2×10^{-5}.

Hazard indexes range from 0.01 to 0.06 for the hunter scenario and from 0.1 to 0.5 for the child scenario. The chemical risks and hazard indexes in all segments do not indicate a concern with respect to human health. The low levels of nitroaromatic compounds detected in single samples from Segments B and C correspond to very low cancer risks (i.e., 1×10^{-10} for 2,4-dinitrotoluene in Segment B and 1×10^{-11} for 2,4,6-trinitrotoluene in Segment C).

The hazard indexes are all less than 1. In all cases, uranium was the single highest contributor to the hazard index level (e.g., uranium contributed 87% of the highest hazard index, which was for Segment C). This finding is consistent with the characterization results of elevated concentrations of uranium in selected locations of the drainage.

TABLE 4 Estimated Radiological Risks from Exposure to Sediment[a]

	Current Hunter			Hypothetical Future Child		
Drainage Segment	Ingestion	External Gamma	Total	Ingestion	External Gamma	Total
A	5×10^{-6}	6×10^{-6}	1×10^{-5}	2×10^{-5}	3×10^{-5}	5×10^{-5}
B	1×10^{-5}	8×10^{-6}	2×10^{-5}	7×10^{-5}	4×10^{-5}	1×10^{-4}
C	1×10^{-5}	9×10^{-6}	2×10^{-5}	5×10^{-5}	4×10^{-5}	9×10^{-5}
D	8×10^{-6}	4×10^{-6}	1×10^{-5}	3×10^{-5}	2×10^{-5}	5×10^{-5}

[a] Estimated risks are summed over all radionuclides.

TABLE 5 Estimated Chemical Carcinogenic Risks and Hazard Indexes from Exposure to Sediment[a]

	Carcinogenic Risk		Hazard Index	
Drainage Segment	Current Hunter	Future Child	Current Hunter	Future Child
A	8×10^{-7}	7×10^{-6}	0.03	0.2
B	3×10^{-7}	3×10^{-6}	0.01	0.1
C	2×10^{-6}	2×10^{-5}	0.06	0.5
D	2×10^{-7}	2×10^{-6}	0.01	0.1

[a] Chemical carcinogenic risks included all detected carcinogens listed in Table 1 (i.e., 2,4,6-trinitrotoluene, 2,4-dinitrotoluene, 2,6-dinitrotoluene, PCBs, arsenic, and beryllium). Hazard indexes include all parameters listed in Table 1, except those without available reference dose values (i.e., 2,6-dinitrotoluene, 1,3-dinitrobenzene, aluminum, calcium, cobalt, iron, lead, lithium, magnesium, potassium, and sodium). Organic compounds were included only when detected.

Of the chemicals of potential concern in sediment, only PCBs have been found to be absorbed through the skin to any significant extent in laboratory experiments (EPA 1992); 2,4,6-trinitrotoluene absorption has been observed but not quantified. Up to 20% PCB absorption has been observed from mineral oil, but absorption from soil would be much lower. Even assuming 20% absorption from soil, the maximum carcinogenic risk that could be associated with dermal PCB exposure would be much less than the risk from the oral pathway. Any additional risks from dermal absorption of trinitrotoluene would likely be small because of the very low concentrations of this substance in isolated drainage locations.

2.3.3 Human Health Risks from Exposure to Surface Water

The radiological and chemical risks and hazard indexes calculated for each spring are summarized in Table 6. The risk from surface water does not exceed the acceptable risk level. Furthermore, these risk levels are estimated to represent the worst case because contamination levels in surface water are anticipated to decrease over time with the removal of sources at the chemical plant area and any future removal of sediment in the drainage.

TABLE 6 Estimated Radiological and Chemical Carcinogenic Risks and Hazard Indexes from Ingestion of Surface Water[a]

	Radiological Risk		Carcinogenic Risk[b]		Hazard Index[b]	
Spring	Current Hunter	Future Child	Current Hunter	Future Child	Current Hunter	Future Child
SP-5301	2×10^{-6}	1×10^{-5}	4×10^{-7}	3×10^{-6}	0.08	0.6
SP-5302	2×10^{-6}	9×10^{-6}	5×10^{-7}	4×10^{-6}	0.06	0.5
SP-5303	1×10^{-6}	5×10^{-6}	7×10^{-7}	5×10^{-6}	0.1	0.8
SP-5304	1×10^{-6}	4×10^{-6}	4×10^{-7}	4×10^{-6}	0.06	0.5

[a] Dermal exposure to surface water is assumed to be limited because of the small size of springs and ponds in the drainage.

[b] Chemical carcinogenic risks included all detected carcinogens listed in Table 2 (i.e., 2,4,6-trinitrotoluene, 2,4-dinitrotoluene, 2,6-dinitrotoluene, arsenic, and beryllium). Hazard indexes include all parameters listed in Table 2, except those without available reference dose values (i.e., 2,6-dinitrotoluene, 1,3-dinitrobenzene, 2-amino-4,6-dinitrotoluene, 4-amino-2,6-dinitrotoluene, chloride, cobalt, aluminum, calcium, iron, lead, lithium, magnesium, potassium, sodium, and sulfate). Organic compounds were included only when detected.

2.3.4 Ecological Risk Considerations

The BA for the chemical plant area identified the potential for adverse risks to biota from exposure to contaminated media in the Southeast Drainage (DOE 1992). Ecological resources potentially at greatest risk are aquatic biota directly inhabiting surface waters in the drainage and terrestrial biota drinking the surface water. The principal exposure routes to biota are direct (dermal) contact with, and ingestion of, contaminated surface water and sediment. Evaluation of contaminant concentrations in surface water indicated several inorganic contaminants present at levels that may represent an adverse ecological risk to aquatic biota: antimony, cadmium, chromium, lead, mercury, silver, and uranium (Table 7). This determination of potential for ecological risk is based on the ecological effects quotient (EEQ) exceeding a value of 1.0. The EEQ, which is similar to the hazard quotient used to estimate human health risks, is calculated as the ratio of the environmental concentration measured in the field to a benchmark environmental concentration identified as posing no risk to ecological receptors. Benchmark values used to estimate EEQs included ambient water quality criteria (AWQC) for the protection of freshwater aquatic biota (EPA 1986), State of Missouri water quality criteria (Missouri Department of Natural Resources 1992), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) screening guidelines (NOAA/Hazmat undated), and no-observed-effect-levels identified in the scientific literature (Parkhurst et al. 1984; Poston et al. 1984).

TABLE 7 Estimated Ecological Effects Quotients for Exposure of Aquatic Biota to Surface Water in the Southeast Drainage

	SP-5301		SP-5302		SP-5303		SP-5304		5400 Drainage	
Parameter[a]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]
Metals										
Antimony	2.53	Low	0.0	No risk	2.12	Low	2.20	Low	NE[d]	NA[d]
Arsenic	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	NE	NA
Beryllium	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	NE	NA
Cadmium	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	NE	NA
Chromium	2.36	Low	1.27	Low	2.36	Low	2.36	Low	0.72	No risk
Copper	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.19	No risk	0.17	No risk	0.22	No risk
Iron	0.21	No risk	0.13	No risk	0.28	No risk	0.14	No risk	NE	NA
Lead	1.99	Low	0.0	No risk	0.36	No risk	0.10	No risk	0.0	No risk
Mercury	8.33	Low	8.33	Low	9.17	Low	9.17	Low	NE	NA
Nickel	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	NE	NA
Selenium	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	NE	NA
Silver	50.0	Moderate	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	33.33	Moderate	0.0	No risk
Thallium	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	NE	NA
Uranium (total)	1.55	Low	1.39	Low	0.95	No risk	0.80	No risk	0.01	No risk
Zinc	0.16	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.21	No risk	0.16	No risk	0.19	No risk
Inorganic anions										
Nitrate	0.39	No risk	0.35	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.10	No risk	0.01	No risk
Nitroaromatics										
1,3-Dinitrobenzene	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk
Nitrobenzene	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk
1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk	0.0	No risk

[a] Included are only those contaminants with available benchmark values, such as ambient water quality criteria (EPA 1986). For uranium, a value of 570 µg/L (Poston et al. 1984) was used for the benchmark value.

[b] EEQ = ecological effects quotient, which is the ratio of the measured concentration to the benchmark value for that contaminant. The EEQ was measured using the maximum reported concentration.

[c] EEQ values exceeding 1.0 are indicative of potential risk to ecological resources. Values between 1.0 and 10 indicate low risk; values between 10 and 50 indicate moderate risk; values between 50 and 100 indicate high risk; and values exceeding 100 indicate potential for extreme risk.

[d] NE = not evaluated; NA = not applicable.

No nitroaromatic compounds were detected in surface waters in the Southeast Drainage at levels that could pose risks to aquatic biota. Similarly, EEQ values were below 1.0 for most of the metals evaluated in surface waters (Table 7). Potential risks (EEQ >1.0) were indicated for antimony, chromium, lead, mercury, silver, and uranium. Risk levels were low for all of these metals except silver, for which a moderate risk was identified. The greatest number of contaminants with risk levels exceeding 1.0 and the single highest risk estimate (EEQ = 50 for silver) were calculated for spring SP-5301, the uppermost spring sampled in the drainage. Risks were also estimated for several chemicals in surface water from the 5400 background drainage. In contrast to the risks identified for the Southeast Drainage, no EEQ values exceeded 1.0 for any of the metals evaluated in the background drainage (Table 7).

The potential for adverse impacts to aquatic biota was further examined by evaluating the toxicity of surface waters from the Southeast Drainage to a variety of aquatic biota. The toxicity of surface water from springs SP-5303 and SP-5304 was evaluated by using acute and chronic tests and invertebrate and vertebrate test organisms; the results of these tests are summarized in Table 8. No acute toxicity was evident for surface water from either spring location. Chronic toxicity, as indicated by reduced survival of fish (*Pimephales*), was measured only for surface water collected from spring SP-5303. No reduction in survival was evident for the other biota tested with water from this spring.

TABLE 8 Results of Acute and Chronic Toxicity Testing of Surface Water from the Southeast Drainage and Background 5400 Drainage

	Test Results[a]		
Toxicity Test	SP-5303	SP-5304	5400 Drainage[b]
Daphnia 96-hour acute, survival	-	-	-
Hyalella 96-hour acute, survival	-	-	-
Pimephales, 96-hour acute, survival	-	-	-
Xenopus, 96-hour acute, survival	-	-	-
Daphnia 7-day chronic, survival	-	-	-
Hyalella 7-day chronic, survival	-	-	-
Pimephales, 7-day chronic, survival and growth	+	-	-
Xenopus, 7-day chronic, survival and growth	-	-	-

[a] A minus (-) indicates no significant media toxicity ($p > 0.05$); a plus (+) indicates significant media toxicity ($p \leq 0.05$).

[b] Only SP-5406 was measured.

In addition to the contaminants in surface water, a number of contaminants have been detected in sediment in the Southeast Drainage (Table 1). Evaluation of the sediment data and estimation of EEQs indicated that nine metals are present in the sediment at concentrations that maypose a risk to ecological resources (Table 9). Ecological effects quotients for sediment were estimated by using the NOAA sediment guidelines developed by Long and Morgan (1990)

Extreme risks to aquatic biota were indicated for exposure to PCBs in sediments from Segments A and C (Table 9). No risks from PCBs were identified for Segment B, and low risks were identified for Segment D. Risks from exposure to metals in the sediment ranged from low for most metals to moderate for silver and high for mercury. No benchmark values were available to estimate risks from sediment-bound uranium or nitroaromatics. Risks were also estimated for sediment from the 5400 background drainage for several of the same metals evaluated in the Southeast Drainage. For these metals, all EEQ values were below 1.0, indicating no risks to aquatic biota (Table 9).

Potential risks to aquatic biota from these contaminants are primarily chemotoxic rather than radiological in nature. The risk assessment conducted for the chemical plant area (DOE 1992) estimated daily radiological doses to freshwater fish in surface water at or near the Weldon Spring site, including the Southeast Drainage. These dose estimates were well below the daily dose limit of 1 rad/d for protection of aquatic biota as specified in DOE Order 5400.5 ("Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment").

Risks to terrestrial wildlife were estimated by modeling contaminant uptake via drinking water ingestion for three receptor species: the white-tailed deer, white-footed mouse, and great horned owl. The methods and species exposure factors used for this risk assessment are presented in Appendix B.

Daily contaminant doses were estimated for terrestrial wildlife using the maximum reported concentration of each contaminant detected in surface water in the drainage, and these modeled doses were used to estimate potential risks to the white-tailed deer, white-footed mouse, and the great horned owl. No inorganic contaminants were detected in surface water from the Southeast Drainage at concentrations that could result in daily doses that might pose a risk to terrestrial wildlife drinking from the drainage.

For each receptor, contaminant uptake via the drinking water pathway was very low for most contaminants. Predicted daily contaminant doses were typically less than 0.01 mg/kg body weight per day, with daily doses of many contaminants less than 0.001 mg/kg-d (see Appendix B). Similarly, no risks to terrestrial wildlife were identified for nitroaromatic compounds detected in the surface waters of the drainage. For the inorganic ions and nitroaromatic compounds for which benchmark values were available, the EEQ risk estimates were all less than 0.10 and typically less than 0.001 (Table 10).

TABLE 9 Estimated Ecological Effects Quotients for Exposure of Aquatic Biota to Sediment in the Southeast Drainage

	Segment A		Segment B		Segment C		Segment D		5400 Drainage	
Parameter[a]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level[c]
Metals										
Arsenic	3.31	Low	1.95	Low	1.95	Low	1.75	Low	Ne[d]	NA[d]
Cadmium	3.23	Low	1.17	Low	4.13	Low	2.23	Low	NE	NA
Chromium	2.28	Low	0.54	No risk	0.94	No risk	1.01	Low	0.38	No risk
Copper	5.36	Low	0.83	No risk	8.88	Low	1.94	Low	0.59	No risk
Lead	3.64	Low	1.31	Low	1.59	Low	1.59	Low	0.83	No risk
Mercury	28.62	Moderate	3.15	Low	12.31	Moderate	53.85	High	NE	NA
Nickel	2.20	Low	1.74	Low	4.15	Low	1.73	Low	NE	NA
Silver	14.73	Moderate	1.50	Low	4.64	Low	6.96	Low	0.82	No risk
Zinc	5.08	Low	0.71	No risk	1.27	Low	0.79	No risk	0.51	No risk
PCBs										
Total	132	Extreme	0.0	No risk	6,600	Extreme	2.11	Low	NE	NA

[a] Included are only those contaminants with available screening values; screening values are from NOAA (Long and Morgan 1990).

[b] EEQ = ecological effects quotient, which is the ratio of the measured concentration to the screening value for that contaminant. The EEQ was measured by using the 95% UCL or the maximum reported concentration if the 95% UCL exceeded the maximum reported concentration.

[c] EEQ values exceeding 1.0 are indicative of potential risk to ecological resources. Values between 1.0 and 10 indicate low risk; values between 10 and 50 indicate moderate risk; values between 50 and 100 indicate high risk; and values exceeding 100 indicate potential for extreme risk.

[d] NE = not evaluated; NA = not applicable.

TABLE 10 Estimated Ecological Effects Quotients from the Water Ingestion Pathway for the White-Tailed Deer, White-Footed Mouse, and Great Horned Owl Using the Southeast Drainage

	White-Tailed Deer		White-Footed Mouse		Great Horned Owl	
Contaminant[a]	EEQ[b]	Risk Level	EEQ[b]	Risk Level	EEQ[b]	Risk Level
Metals						
Aluminum	0.007	No risk	0.016	No risk	< 0.001	No risk
Antimony	0.035	No risk	0.079	No risk	NB[c]	NA[d]
Barium	< 0.001	No risk	0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk
Chromium	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk	0.001	No risk
Copper	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk
Lead	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk	0.001	No risk
Manganese	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk
Molybdenum	< 0.001	No risk	0.021	No risk	< 0.001	No risk
Nickel	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk
Uranium, total	0.016	No risk	0.038	No risk	0.003	No risk
Vanadium	0.003	No risk	0.008	No risk	< 0.001	No risk
Zinc	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk
Inorganic anions						
Nitrate	0.001	No risk	0.003	No risk	NB	NA
Nitroaromatic compounds						
1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene	< 0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk	NB	NA
1,3-Dinitrobenzene	<0.001	No risk	< 0.001	No risk	NB	NA
2,4,6-Trinitrotoluene	0.003	No risk	0.013	No risk	NB	NA

[a] Ecological effects quotients (EEQs) were calculated for only those contaminants for which benchmark values were available.

[b] EEQ is calculated as the ratio between the predicted applied daily contaminant dose and a "safe" benchmark daily dose level. EEQ values greater than 1.0 indicate potential for adverse effects.

[c] NB = no benchmark value available for calculating the EEQ.

[d] NA = not applicable.

For this EE/CA, risk reduction for ecological resources is considered to be directly correlated with the reduction of contaminant concentrations or with the removal of contaminated media. As discussed in Section 2.2, the contaminant levels in surface water are expected to decrease, and there should be concomitant reduction in risk to ecological resources.

Currently, it is not known to what extent the contaminated sediment contributes to the contamination of surface water in the drainage or whether the sediment is toxic to aquatic biota. However, the results of the ecological risk assessment indicate that current levels in the sediment and surface water in the drainage pose little or no risk to ecological receptors. The removal of contaminated sediment would remove another potential source of contamination for surface water.

2.3.5 Summary

The risk analysis presented in this EE/CA indicates that on the basis of the current and expected future land use (hunter scenario), sediment and surface water contamination in the Southeast Drainage does not pose an unacceptable risk to human health. For the hypothetical future child scenario, the estimated risks from exposure to sediment and surface water are higher than for the hunter scenario but still within the EPA target risk range of 10^{-6} to 10^{-4}. The potential risk is almost exclusively from radioactive contamination in sediment; the higher risks were calculated for Segments B and C. The heterogeneous distribution of radioactive contamination in the drainage indicates that selective removal of contaminated areas would effectively reduce the resultant risk to a potential receptor in the drainage.

The results of the ecological risk assessment indicate that contaminant levels in surface water in the Southeast Drainage pose no risks to terrestrial biota drinking from the drainage, but surface water and sediment in the Southeast Drainage may pose risks to aquatic biota. However, the risk determinations for aquatic biota must be viewed in context with the results of the surface water toxicity testing, the presence of a diverse amphibian community within the drainage basin, the intermittent nature of surface water flow, and the general absence of permanent aquatic habitats within the drainage.

Although the EEQ values for several contaminants in the surface water within the drainage largely suggest low to moderate risks to aquatic biota, there is little evidence of toxicity of surface water to invertebrates, fish, or amphibians. Biotic surveys of the drainage indicate a rather diverse amphibian community within the drainage. Because of their life-cycle requirements, amphibians inhabiting the drainage likely use spring and pool habitats along the drainage for reproduction; therefore, adults, eggs, and larvae would be directly exposed to contaminants. However, the presence of a diverse amphibian community suggests that the current levels of contamination reported in surface water and sediment from the drainage are not adversely affecting amphibian populations in the drainage.

Biotic surveys also indicate very depauperate aquatic invertebrate and fish communities inhabiting the drainage. Although the existence of these depauperate communities may be due in part to contaminated media, the communities are probably affected more by the intermittent nature of surface water flow and limited habitat availability in the drainage. Fish and invertebrates are largely absent from all but the lowermost portion of the Southeast Drainage because the drainage becomes almost completely dry every year. The greatest number of fish collected from the drainage was obtained near the confluence of the drainage with the Missouri River, where water levels in the river maintain suitable aquatic habitat in the drainage. The fish in this portion of the drainage likely move regularly between the drainage and the river.

The weight of evidence suggests that with the exception of PCBs, the current levels of contamination detected in the surface water and sediment of the Southeast Drainage likely pose little risk to biota in the drainage. Although extreme risks are indicated for PCBs in Segments A and C,

there is no evidence that aquatic biota are incurring actual impacts, and aquatic biota are probably more affected by natural environmental conditions (low water) than by contaminant levels. Any adverse impacts resulting from contamination within the drainage would be restricted to biota found within the boundaries of the Southeast Drainage basin and would not extend beyond the basin. Because of the limited aquatic communities within the drainage, any risks to the aquatic biota should not be considered ecologically significant and should have no demonstrable effect on the ecological resources of the area. Furthermore, any selective removal of contaminated sediment and ongoing cleanup of contaminant sources at the chemical plant would result in reducing the risks currently posed by the site.

3 REMOVAL ACTION OBJECTIVES

The risk assessment discussed in Chapter 2 does not indicate unacceptable exposure to human health (per the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan [NCP]) and thus does not indicate a need for further action in the drainage. However, the characterization data indicate localized areas of contamination in sediment, and selective removal of contaminated sediment would provide further protection to a receptor in the drainage. Therefore, DOE is planning to conduct a removal action to reduce the amount of contamination present in the drainage.

3.1 SCOPE AND PURPOSE

Implementing the proposed removal action is expected to reduce potential risk to human health and ultimately improve environmental conditions at the drainage. The removal action would address sediment contamination; risk calculations for surface water do not indicate a need for remediation. However, this removal action would also contribute to improving surface water conditions. Sediment removed from the drainage would be transported to a storage area at the chemical plant (e.g. Ash Pond storage area), pending its final disposition into the disposal cell planned for the chemical plant area. Minimization of potential health hazards to personnel performing the removal action and mitigative measures to avoid or minimize impacts to the environment would be incorporated into the planning and design of the removal action. The areas within the drainage included in the removal action would be restored to natural conditions to the extent possible.

3.2 COMPLIANCE WITH REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

Cleanup activities at the Weldon Spring site are conducted in accordance with CERCLA, incorporating the values of NEPA. Values of NEPA relate to the significance of environmental resources. The assessment of the proposed action presented in this EE/CA includes evaluations of potential impacts to the environment and addresses endangered species, floodplains and wetlands, and archaeological and historic resources. Separate evaluations of archaeological and historic resources (Walters 1990a-b) and of wetlands and floodplains (Van Lonkhuyzen and Yin 1996) have been conducted for the Southeast Drainage; this EE/CA incorporates the results of those evaluations. In addition, consultations with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding Endangered Species Act issues have been completed (Frazer 1996). The EE/CA also evaluates the potential for impacts to other environmental resources, including fish and wildlife, air quality and noise, and recreation. Thus, NEPA values have been addressed and incorporated into this report to the fullest extent practicable.

Federal regulations require that removal actions shall, to the extent practicable considering the exigencies of the situation, attain applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs)

under federal or state environmental laws or facility siting laws (40 CFR 300.415(i)). Requirements are ARARs only when they pertain to the limited scope to be addressed by the removal action and the specific actions being conducted (Preamble to the NCP; EPA 1990). Once it is determined whether an ARAR is pertinent in scope to the removal action, it must be determined whether compliance is practicable. In determining whether compliance with ARARs is practicable, DOE may consider the urgency of the situation (i.e., with regard to the timing of the proposed removal action) and the scope of the removal action to be conducted.

Under the NCP (EPA 1990), applicable requirements are those cleanup standards; standards of control; and other substantive requirements, criteria, or limitations promulgated under federal environmental or state environmental or facility siting laws that specifically address a hazardous substance, pollutant, contaminant, remedial action, location, or other circumstance found at a site. Relevant and appropriate requirements are those standards, criteria or limitations, and other substantive requirements that are not "applicable" but address problems or situations sufficiently similar to those encountered at the site that their use is well suited to the particular site. Only those state standards that are identified by a state in a timely manner, are uniformly enforced, and are more stringent than federal requirements may be applicable or relevant and appropriate.

In addition to ARARs, other requirements that might be useful for developing the remedy for a site can also be considered as part of the alternatives evaluation. These "to-be-considered requirements" (TBCs) are not promulgated by law and are not enforceable; however, they may be considered if there are no pertinent ARARs. DOE Orders are TBCs. Although they are applicable to all DOE activities under the Atomic Energy Act, they are not formally promulgated and, therefore, cannot be considered ARARs.

Potential ARARs for the proposed removal action are identified on the basis of the nature of the contamination, the location of the proposed activity, and the specific scope of the preferred alternative (see Chapter 6). A list of potential ARARs and TBCs for the proposed action is provided in Appendix C.

4 IDENTIFICATION OF REMOVAL ACTION ALTERNATIVES

4.1 POTENTIALLY APPLICABLE TECHNOLOGIES

A general overview of relevant technologies that could be applied to protect human health and the environment at the Southeast Drainage is presented in Sections 4.1.1 through 4.1.4. Response action technologies that are potentially applicable to the proposed action at the drainage include access restrictions, encapsulation, hydraulic removal techniques, and conventional removal techniques. These technologies were screened on the basis of site-specific conditions and the current understanding of contamination at the drainage.

4.1.1 Access Restrictions

Access restrictions involve the use of physical barriers, institutional controls, or both to reduce the potential for exposure to contamination present at the drainage. Physical barriers, such as fences, would be relatively easy to implement and would protect human health and the environment. However, fences generally would not be effective in controlling the source or migration of contaminated materials at the drainage, and institutional controls are generally not effective for extended periods in preventing contact with contaminated material. Therefore, fences and institutional controls as access restrictions at the drainage were eliminated from further consideration.

4.1.2 Concrete Encapsulation

Concrete encapsulation would involve developing access to contaminated areas to either spray grout or place a concrete mixture over the top of the contaminated sediment. In-situ encapsulation could also be implemented by mixing a portland cement mixture with the contaminated sediment at each contaminated location. Access roads for concrete trucks and placement equipment would be needed. Encapsulation would also require excavation to bedrock around the perimeter of each contaminated location to seal off the concrete to the bedrock (in some locations, excavation would result in almost complete removal of the contaminated material). Although encapsulation might isolate the contaminated material in place, long-term effects of wear and erosion must be considered. Over time, the scouring action of the environment and the natural stream flow through the drainage would undercut the concrete encapsulation. Periodic inspections and repairs would be required. In conclusion, encapsulation would be difficult to implement at the drainage and might not provide a permanent solution; therefore, this technology was eliminated from further consideration.

4.1.3 Hydraulic Removal

Removal by using hydraulic methods would include high-pressure water mobilization of contaminated sediment, with capture and pumping or both, and physical separation of the resulting slurry. Implementing this technique would require a temporary water transmission system along the length of the drainage, construction of one or more capture dams to allow physical separation or slurry pumping, and a system to transport used water back for treatment or disposal. The water transmission system would require a major source of water and a pipeline to the Southeast Drainage.

The hydraulic removal process would be labor and equipment intensive and would result in environmental impacts, such as loss of habitat due to tree and brush removal and potential soil erosion due to the development of equipment access routes (Section 4.1.4). The large volume of high-pressure water required to remove the contaminated sediment might also result in further erosion of the existing drainage and bank instability, particularly because extensive clearing and grubbing would be required to mobilize equipment to the flushing sites. In addition, flushing contaminated sediment through the drainage might result in the spread of contamination into currently uncontaminated areas. Construction of a capture dam or multiple dams would require considerable earthmoving and would potentially create additional environmental impacts to the drainage.

Removal of the contaminated slurries to a water treatment facility would require the installation of pumping facilities and double-walled piping to the chemical plant area or transport of the material in tank trucks from the Katy Trail area. Because the volume of material to be transported would increase by the volume of water and additional uncontaminated soil flushed in the process, the transport costs would be higher than the costs of conventional excavation.

On the basis of these considerations, it was determined that hydraulic removal would be neither environmentally practical nor cost-effective. This technology was therefore eliminated from further consideration.

4.1.4 Conventional Excavation

Contaminated sediment could also be removed by conventional construction techniques. This technology has been used extensively and has been effective in removing contamination. In areas of the drainage where large quantities of sediment were to be removed, it would be necessary to remove trees and vegetation, grade the drainage bottom, and develop a haul road surface that could accommodate off-road trucks. In areas where smaller quantities of sediment were to be removed, vegetation would have to be removed to accommodate multiple trips for tracked vehicles to transport the sediment to a staging area for loading into off-road trucks. Removal of larger quantities of sediment would require more extensive clearing of the access routes and drainage bottoms. Root balls that would be removed from clean areas for temporary haul road construction and trees that fell on clean soil would be removed from the immediate excavation and haul road

areas. These materials would be left in the drainage to provide wildlife habitat to the extent possible. Conventional excavation could accelerate erosion in the drainage and increase turbidity in the storm runoff, and the potential for increased erosion and turbidity would exist until trees and other vegetation could reestablish and stabilize the soil exposed by the excavations. The upper portions of the drainage would be more sensitive to this type of damage than the lower portions because the upper area is steeper and narrower.

Because the conventional excavation technology is considered relatively cost-effective and easy to implement, it was retained for further analysis.

4.2 IDENTIFICATION OF PRELIMINARY REMOVAL ACTION ALTERNATIVES

The preliminary screening of potentially applicable technologies resulted in the identification of two alternatives: no action and conventional excavation. To further explore the feasibility of conventional excavation and to aid in evaluating alternatives, two subalternatives were identified according to several factors: available routes and access, engineering methodology, degree of environmental damage that would be caused by removing trees and vegetation in the drainage to access the contaminated sediment locations, cost, and potential risk reduction. Within each of the four delineated segments, areas potentially targeted for removal by excavation were identified as those locations exceeding a total radiological risk of 1×10^{-5} for a hypothetical child scenario (see Appendix A).

The removal action alternatives identified for evaluation in Chapter 5 of this EE/CA may be summarized as follows:

- Alternative 1: No Action; and
- Alternative 2: Conventional Excavation
  - Subalternative 2.1: Conventional excavation at selected locations within the drainage using existing cleared right-of-way routes and access.
  - Subalternative 2.2: Conventional excavation at all targeted locations throughout the drainage via new off-road access and a haul route through the drainage.

Subalternative 2.1 would involve removal of selected areas in all segments of the drainage. A temporary haul road would be constructed from Katy Trail to provide access to the lower portion of Segment D (Figure 3). Selected locations in Segment C, lower Segment B, and portions of Segment A would be accessed with tracked vehicles on existing right-of-way corridors.

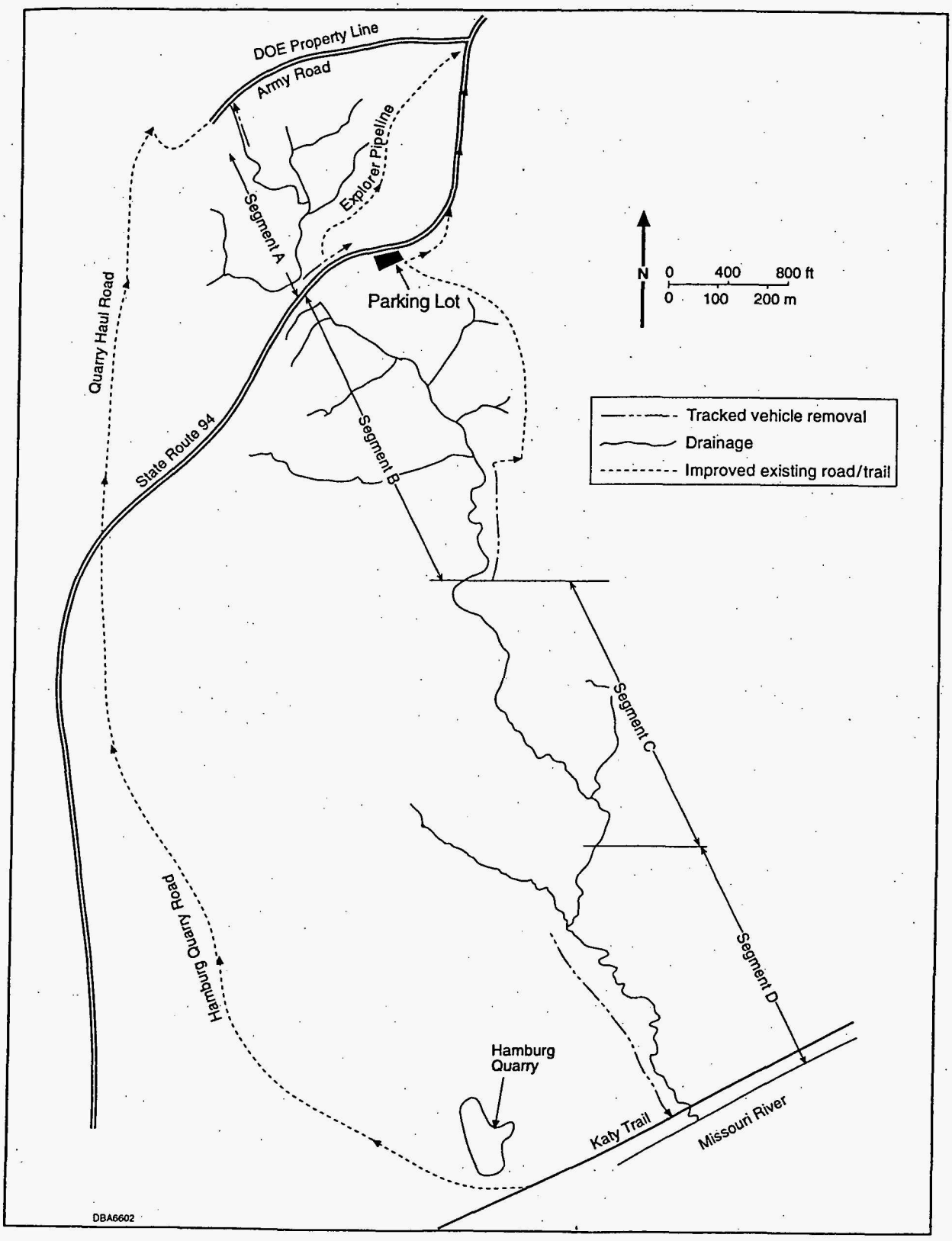

FIGURE 3 Haul Route for Subalternative 2.1

Subalternative 2.2 would involve removing all targeted sediment locations and would employ an alternate haul route. Access to Segments B, C, and D would be obtained by constructing a temporary off-road access route at the north end of Segment B (Figure 4). This upper access route would eliminate the need for using Katy Trail but would require a staging and decontamination area in the Missouri Department of Conservation parking area located south of State Route 94. This subalternative would also require extensive clearing and tree removal for a new haul route through the entire length of the drainage.

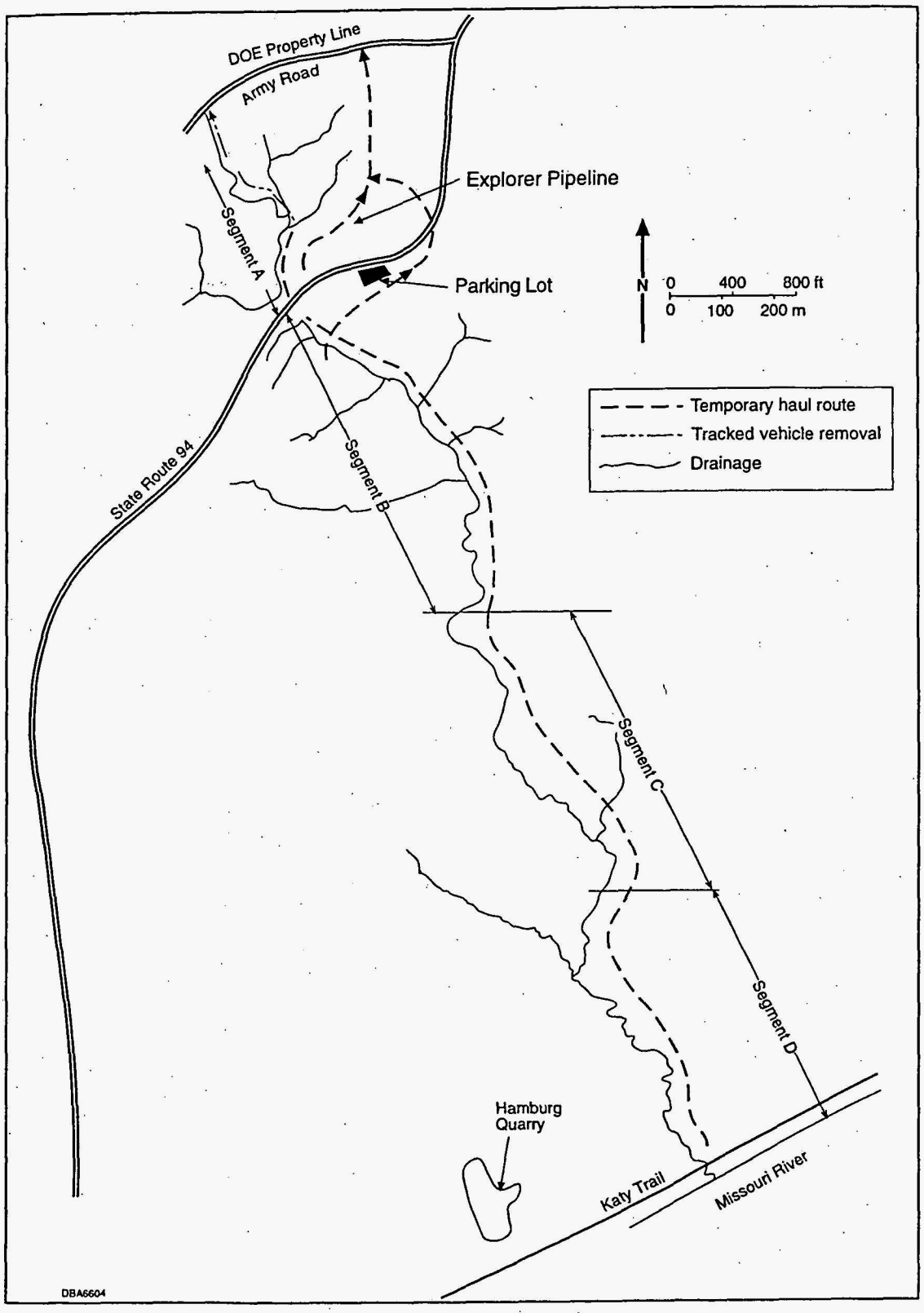

FIGURE 4 Haul Route for Subalternative 2.2

5 ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES

5.1 DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIAL ALTERNATIVES

The potential alternatives for remediation of the Southeast Drainage were assessed in terms of effectiveness and implementability. The effectiveness of an alternative is defined in terms of ensuring protection of and minimizing impacts to human health and the environment. The implementability of an alternative is defined by its technical feasibility, availability, administrative feasibility, and cost. Both action alternatives were determined to use technologies that are feasible and available; therefore, the discussion of alternatives in Section 5.1.2 is limited to effectiveness, cost, and administrative feasibility. The conventional excavation and transportation activities that would occur under each subalternative are described, and the potential impacts of these activities are identified. However, the process of detailed design and negotiations with state and local agencies to obtain necessary permits might require modifications to the conceptual designs presented here (e.g., haul routes or work sequence). These potential modifications would not change the underlying relative costs, order-of-magnitude costs, general environmental impacts, or implementability issues applicable to this removal action.

5.1.1 No-Action Alternative

The No-Action Alternative (Alternative 1) would involve no change in current exposures to elevated levels of radioactivity in sediment. Potential human health impacts from existing contaminant levels in the drainage were estimated to be within the acceptable risk range (per the NCP) for current and hypothetical future land use. No direct environmental impacts would be expected to occur, although contaminated sediment would remain in the drainage and continue to pose a potential slight risk to aquatic ecological resources and potentially affect surface water quality in the drainage. However, there is no evidence that current levels of contamination are adversely affecting ecological resources in the drainage. Technical feasibility and availability do not apply to the No-Action Alternative.

5.1.2 Alternative 2: Conventional Excavation

5.1.2.1 Subalternative 2.1: Conventional Excavation at Selected Locations within the Drainage Using Existing Cleared Right-of-Way Routes and Katy Trail Access

Subalternative 2.1 involves excavating selected locations exceeding a risk of 1×10^{-5} for the child scenario that are accessible via existing routes and right-of-way corridors to access the upper drainage, whereas the lower drainage would be accessed from the south end via Katy Trail

(Figure 3). This subalternative would use tracked loaders to haul material from the lower portion of Segment D to a staging and decontamination area near Katy Trail. The materials would then be transported along the Katy Trail to the Hamburg Quarry road, crossing State Route 94 to the DOE quarry haul road. Areas in the central portion of the drainage would be accessed from the cleared powerline right-of-way with tracked vehicles. Excavated material would first be transported out of the drainage via the cleared road at the top of the hill above the powerline right-of-way and then to the Army road via State Route 94. Contamination in the lower portion of Segment A would be accessed by the Explorer Pipeline right-of-way; excavated materials would be transported to the chemical plant area by the Army road. Access to the upper portion of Segment A would be directly from the Army road with tracked vehicles and off-road trucks. Use of these routes would result in minimal disruption of the mature, high-quality forest community that exists in the drainage.

Selective removal of contaminated areas in these segments would, in effect, reduce significantly the potential for future human health risks. The post-remediation risks to a hypothetical future child who visited the drainage would be less than 1×10^{-5} in the areas that were remediated and would not exceed 1×10^{-4} at any unremediated location. Potential environmental impacts for this alternative would include (1) fugitive dust emissions and increases in ambient noise levels during excavation and hauling activities, (2) transport of sediment downstream through the drainage during sediment excavation, (3) minimal temporary loss of vegetation and wildlife habitat due to clearing of existing right-of-way corridors and excavation requirements in the flow channel, and (4) disruption of recreational use of Katy Trail during some phases of implementation. An off-road vehicle crossing of State Route 94 would be needed to access the DOE quarry haul road in the area west of the drainage and short-term use of a small segment of State Route 94 east of the drainage.

Air quality and noise impacts could disturb ecological resources and recreational activities in the vicinity of the excavation activities and along haul routes. However, these impacts would be minor and temporary. Although some mature trees may be impacted under this subalternative, overall impacts to the high-quality forest community would be minimal. Most of the vegetation clearing activities would occur in previously disturbed right-of-way corridors that are largely vegetated with invasive, non-native herbaceous and shrubby species. Minor, long-term positive environmental impacts would result from a reduction in environmental contaminant levels and thus a reduction in direct exposure of wildlife to contaminants.

Administrative feasibility for Subalternative 2.1 would require an access permit from the state agencies to the drainage and Katy Trail. An additional permit would also be required to cross and use limited portions of State Route 94. The cost to implement this alternative is estimated to be about \$450/m^3 (\$595/yd^3). The total cost is estimated to be \$1,148,000.

5.1.2.2 Subalternative 2.2: Conventional Excavation of All Targeted Locations within the Drainage via New Off-Road Access and a Haul Route through the Drainage

Subalternative 2.2 would involve excavation of all locations exceeding a risk of 1×10^{-5} for the child scenario. These locations would be accessed by construction of a temporary haul route through the entire length of the drainage. Sediment removed from Segments B, C, and D would be transported out of the drainage on a temporary haul route constructed through the woods in the upper portion of Segment B (Figure 4). This upper drainage route would eliminate the need for using Katy Trail, and the staging and decontamination area would be located near the parking area south of State Route 94 rather than near the trail. Construction of the haul route connecting Segment B with the chemical plant area would require removing additional trees and vegetation on the drainage side slope, on a new route south of State Route 94, and on the route north of State Route 94 connecting with the existing Army road (see Figure 4). This removal would result in extensive, long-term disruption of the forest community in the drainage. Clearing activities required in Segments A and B of the drainage would increase the potential for erosion. An off-road vehicle crossing of State Route 94, east of the drainage, would be needed to implement this subalternative.

Access into Segment A would require construction of a haul route that follows the existing grade into the upper end of the drainage. The haul route would include the Army road on the south side of the chemical plant area. Access into the central portion of Segment A would require additional clearing and tree removal to access and remove the contaminated sediment. Contamination in the lower portion of Segment A would be accessed using the Explorer Pipeline right-of-way; excavated material would be transported to the chemical plant area using a newly constructed haul route from the Explorer Pipeline to the Army Road.

Potential reduction in human health risk associated with Subalternative 2.2 would result in a post-remediation risk of less than 1×10^{-5} for the child scenario at all locations. Major environmental impacts from implementing this alternative would be incurred as a result of access road construction, vegetation clearing, and drainage flowline disruption from excavation activities. Segment A has an average flowline grade of 2.5%, compared with 1.3 to 1.9% for the lower portions of the drainage. Because of the steepness of the drainage in Segment A, the potential for soil erosion is greater along the access route and at the excavation areas within this segment. Construction of the access route would result in extensive, long-term disturbance and loss of high-quality forest vegetation and wildlife habitat.

Administrative feasibility for Subalternative 2.2 is the same as for Subalternative 2.1. The cost to implement this alternative is estimated to be about \$1,088/m^3 (\$831/yd^3), at a total cost of \$3,077,000.

5.2 COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF REMOVAL ALTERNATIVES

The alternatives discussed in Section 5.1 were compared according to their effectiveness, implementability, and cost. This comparison is summarized in Table 11.

TABLE 11 Comparative Analysis of Removal Action Alternatives

	Effectiveness		Implementability	
Alternative	Health Impacts	Environmental Impacts	Administrative Feasibility	Cost
1	No change. Potential risk is acceptable under reasonable land-use scenario.	No direct impact. Contaminated sediment would have the potential to migrate and disperse.	Acceptable.	No direct cost.
2.1	Would reduce potential risk to a hypothetical child receptor to less than 1×10^{-5} in areas remediated; the risk to this hypothetical receptor would not exceed 1×10^{-4} at any unremediated location.	Temporary low to moderate impacts from construction and excavation activities to air quality, noise, and recreational activities. Minor long-term impacts to vegetation and wildlife habitat, largely restricted to currently disturbed areas along existing right-of-way corridors. Some loss of mature trees, but numbers limited.	Would require access permit to drainage and Katy Trail and permit to cross and use portions of State Route 94.	Total cost, $1,148,000; $595/yd^3.
2.2	Would reduce potential risk to a hypothetical child receptor to less than 1×10^{-5} at all locations.	Moderate but temporary impacts from construction and excavation activities to air quality, noise, and recreational activities; major long-term impacts to forest vegetation and wildlife habitat. Permanent loss of a large number of mature, old trees resulting in large-scale disruption of the forest community. Environmental damage would be high, and the area impacted would extend throughout the drainage.	Would require permits for crossing State Route 94, for road construction, and for use of the parking lot.	Total cost, $3,077,000; $831/yd^3.

6 PROPOSED ACTION

On the basis of the discussion and comparison presented in Chapter 5, Subalternative 2.1 was identified as the preferred alternative. This alternative could be implemented in a cost-effective manner and is protective of human health and the environment while minimizing environmental impacts. Implementing Subalternative 2.1 (as described in Section 5.1.2.1) would be contingent upon DOE's ability to obtain the necessary access agreements. Slight variations in the proposed haul routes might occur if these agreements were not in place within the time frame necessary for implementation of the action. Implementation of the proposed action is expected to begin as early as the winter of 1997.

Under the proposed action, selected contaminated sediment in accessible areas of the drainage would be removed with track-mounted equipment and transported by off-road haul trucks. The locations targeted for excavation are shown in Figure 5. Access would be from the south end of Katy Trail, from an existing powerline right-of-way in the center and from temporary previously disturbed off-road routes to the north and south ends of Segment A. Excavated materials would be stored temporarily at an on-site storage area (e.g., Ash Pond storage area or material staging area), with final disposal in the planned engineered disposal cell for the Weldon Spring site. On the basis of stability testing previously performed for related wastes, the waste material from the excavations would not be treated before disposal (MK-Ferguson Company 1993).

Implementing the proposed action would require use of four minimal-access routes capable of supporting off-road haul trucks at slow speed. It is anticipated that all of these routes could be constructed without additional clearing and minimal upgrade. These routes are described in Section 5.1.2.1 and illustrated in Figure 3. Because of the relatively temporary duration of this action, it is anticipated that the only surface improvement to the routes used by the trucks would be the addition of a layer of white to light gray aggregate after initial clearing and grading in some areas and in the staging areas where trucks would be loaded by the track excavators. The primary purpose of this surface material would be to identify contaminated soil spillage for survey and cleanup, if necessary. After this material was no longer required for contamination tracking control, it would be removed from those portions of the staging areas or routes that would be revegetated and then transported to the chemical plant area for reuse or disposal.

The characterization data indicate that the estimated excavation depth would typically be 0.6 to 0.9 m (2 to 3 ft) below the surface. In no case would excavation proceed below bedrock, which exists at depths approximately 0.9 to 2.4 m (3 to 8 ft) below the surface. The sediment would be excavated with track-mounted loaders, the buckets would be covered with tarps at the excavation site, and the excavated material would be hauled out of the drainage to the haul trucks at the staging areas; multiple trips would be made by the track loaders to avoid road building in the drainage. The material would be hauled to the site from the staging areas in off-road trucks. This type of truck would provide off-road capabilities and minimize transport spillage because it does not have a tailgate.

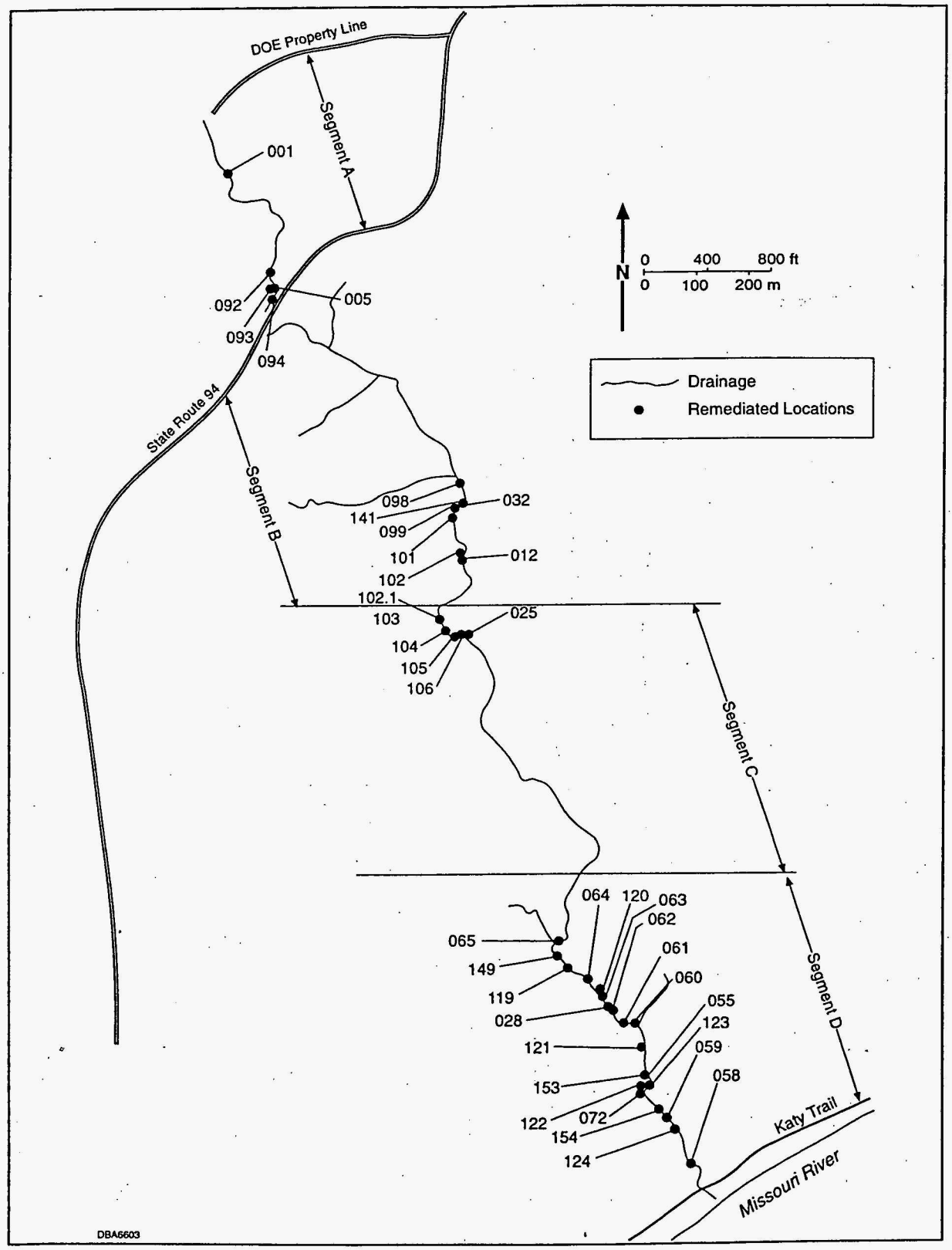

FIGURE 5 Locations Targeted for Remediation under the Proposed Action

At a minimum, the following controls would be maintained during hauling operations:

- All parts of the haul route would be sprayed with water (from trucks) to minimize airborne dust.
- All loads would be covered. A crew would be stationed near the beginning of the haul routes to cover and secure the haul trucks. Similar crews would be stationed to cover and secure the track excavators.
- A motor grader would be required for continual maintenance of haul roads.
- Traffic control would be provided along State Route 94. Flaggers with radios would be stationed at key points.
- Temporary berming would be constructed in areas where excavation was taking place adjacent to the flow channel. The berms would prevent storm-water runoff from the excavation to flowing in the channel.
- Temporary channel relocation and berming would be constructed in areas where excavation was taking place in the existing channel to bypass stream flow and major storm-water runoff away from the excavation and to protect the excavation from flooding and erosion.
- Erosion controls would be installed downgradient of all excavations to prevent the transport of silt down the drainage by minor storm-water runoff flowing out of the excavations.
- Restoration in areas outside of the drainage channel would include reshaping access routes and staging areas. These areas would be mulched and seeded.
- Restoration of excavation areas within the drainage would include grading to avoid steep or vertical slope, with minimal backfilling. For stabilization, erosion controls would be left at the downstream extent of these areas until natural vegetation was reestablished.
- Plans addressing sediment and erosion control (including applicable permit applications) would be submitted for approval by the proper authorities (e.g., St. Charles County Highway Engineer).
- Surface water quality would be monitored during the removal action.

To guide cleanup activities, risk-based cleanup criteria for principal radioactive contaminants were derived for a corresponding risk level of 1×10^{-5} for the hypothetical child scenario.

These risk-based concentrations were calculated by combining the appropriate intake and risk equations for the exposure pathways identified for the hypothetical child scenario (see Section 2.3 and Table 3). The calculated risk-based cleanup criteria are as follows: radium-226, 13 pCi/g; radium-228, 13 pCi/g; thorium-230, 350 pCi/g; and uranium-238, 290 pCi/g. The concentration limit for uranium-238 includes the contribution from uranium-234, and the level for radium-228 includes the contribution from thorium-228. Confirmation activities (including sampling) would be carried out to ensure that levels remaining in each remediated area after cleanup were at or below the 1×10^{-5} risk level for the hypothetical child scenario. For comparison, the equivalent risk-based cleanup criteria for each radionuclide for the hunter scenario are 60 pCi/g for both radium-228 and radium-226, 1,600 pCi/g for thorium-230, and 1,300 pCi/g for uranium-238.

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A.1 METHODOLOGY

The doses associated with intake of radioactive contaminants resulting from incidental ingestion of sediment were calculated as follows:

$$D_i = R_i \times IR \times EF \times ED \times FI \times DCF_i$$

where:

D_i = dose from radionuclide i (mrem);

R_i = radionuclide concentration in sediment or surface water (pCi/g or pCi/L);

IR = sediment or surface water ingestion rate (g/event or L/event);

EF = exposure frequency (events/yr);

ED = exposure duration (yr);

FI = fraction ingested from elevated areas (unitless); and

DCF_i = ingestion dose conversion factor for radionuclide i (mrem/pCi).

The doses from the external radiation pathway were calculated by using the methodology from the DOE *res*idual *rad*ioactive material (RESRAD) computer code (Yu et al. 1993). Dose was calculated as follows:

$$D_i = R_{si} \times EF \times ED \times A \times F \times DCF_{ext}$$

where:

A = area factor for radionuclide i (unitless);

F = fraction of time spent in contaminated area (unitless); and

DCF_{ext} = external gamma dose conversion factor for radionuclide i [(mrem/h)/(pCi/g)].

The DCF_{ext} factors are based on the assumption that the radionuclides are uniformly distributed in the soil, extending to an infinite depth and to an infinite lateral extent. Because contamination in the drainage is heterogeneous, site-specific information was incorporated into the calculations. An area factor was calculated for each radionuclide of concern using an updated methodology incorporated into RESRAD; a source radius of 2 m and a depth of 1 m were used as input. It was also assumed that only 25% of the exposure time was spent in areas with elevated radionuclide concentrations because a receptor would be likely to move around the drainage. Dose conversion factors for the ingestion and external gamma irradiation pathway are provided in Table A.1, along with the site-specific area factors for each radionuclide.

A.2 LOCATION-SPECIFIC CALCULATIONS

Location-specific calculations were performed to estimate the total radiological risk associated with each sampling location in the drainage. The results are presented in Table A.2. The purpose of these calculations is to focus engineering design for removal of sediment in the drainage. The methodology and exposure parameters used to calculate radiological health risks are provided in Sections 2.3 and A.1 of this engineering evaluation/cost analysis (EE/CA). The exposure point concentration for each location is an average of the surface (0 to 15-cm depth) and subsurface samples for each radionuclide.

A.3 POSTCLEANUP RISK CALCULATIONS

Postcleanup radiological risk reduction calculations were also performed for Subalternatives 2.1 and 2.2. Both alternatives involve the application of the conventional excavation technology discussed in Chapter 4. Subalternative 2.1 involves excavation of selective locations that exceed a risk of 1×10^{-5} for the child scenario and that are accessible via existing routes and right-of-way corridors, and Subalternative 2.2 involves removal of all locations in the drainage that exceed a risk of 1×10^{-5}. Risk reduction calculations were performed for each segment under each alternative. The locations potentially targeted for removal are those locations in which the total risk exceeds 1×10^{-5}, as shown in Table A.2. Risk calculations for each segment were based on the one-tailed 95% upper confidence limit of the arithmetic average (UCL), assuming that locations exceeding 1×10^{-5} risk would be remediated. The UCL was calculated assuming that remediated locations were equal to two times background soil concentrations for each radionuclide (DOE 1992). The postremedial risks for the current hunter scenario are presented in Table A.3, and those for the hypothetical child scenario are presented in Table A.4

TABLE A.1 Dose Conversion Factors and Area Factors for the External Gamma Irradiation and Ingestion Pathways[a]

Radionuclide	External Gamma Irradiation[b] [(mrem/h)/(pCi/g)]	Area Factor[c]	Ingestion[e] f_1[d]	Ingestion[e] DCF (mrem/pCi)
Lead-210	7.0×10^{-7}	0.575	2×10^{-1}	6.7×10^{-3}
Radium-226	1.3×10^{-3}	0.555	2×10^{-1}	1.1×10^{-3}
Radium-228	6.8×10^{-4}	0.546	2×10^{-1}	1.2×10^{-3}
Thorium-228	1.2×10^{-3}	0.530	2×10^{-4}	7.5×10^{-4}
Thorium-230	1.4×10^{-7}	0.858	2×10^{-4}	5.3×10^{-4}
Uranium-234	4.6×10^{-8}	0.858	5×10^{-2}	2.6×10^{-4}
			2×10^{-3}	2.5×10^{-5}
Uranium-238	1.6×10^{-5}	0.858	5×10^{-2}	2.5×10^{-4}
			2×10^{-3}	3.8×10^{-5}

[a] In this assessment, the radiation doses associated with thorium-228, lead-210, and uranium-234 are included with those reported for radium-228, radium-226, and uranium-238, respectively. Thus, the DCF for radium-228 is the sum of that for radium-228 plus thorium-228, the DCF for uranium-238 is the sum of that for uranium-238 plus uranium-234, and the DCF for radium-226 is the sum of that for radium-226 plus lead-210. (See Section 2.3.2.1 of the Baseline Assessment for the chemical plant area [DOE 1992]).

[b] Source: Eckerman and Ryman (1993).

[c] Site-specific; derived for a contaminated radius of 2 m and depth of 1 m.

[d] Fraction of a stable element entering the gastrointestinal tract that reaches body fluids.

[e] Source: Yu et al. (1993).

TABLE A.2 Location-Specific Calculations for the Hypothetical Future Child Scenario

Exposure Unit	Sample ID	Concentration (pCi/g)				Total Risk		
		Uranium-238	Radium-226	Radium-228	Thorium-230	Ingestion	External Gamma	Cumulative
A	001A	240	93	9.2	49	4.7×10^{-5}	4.3×10^{-5}	9.0×10^{-5}
A	001B	79	18	3.9	4.2	1.0×10^{-5}	1.0×10^{-5}	2.0×10^{-5}
A	002	120	39	5.0	15	2.0×10^{-5}	1.9×10^{-5}	3.9×10^{-5}
A	003	200	39	1.4	31	2.3×10^{-5}	1.7×10^{-5}	4.0×10^{-5}
A	004	50	17	2.7	11	9.2×10^{-6}	8.6×10^{-6}	1.8×10^{-5}
A	005A	160	16	190	72	3.3×10^{-5}	1.3×10^{-4}	1.6×10^{-4}
A	005B	180	21	180	300	4.0×10^{-5}	1.2×10^{-4}	1.6×10^{-4}
A	005C	210	12	120	130	2.6×10^{-5}	8.0×10^{-5}	1.6×10^{-4}
A	016	17	7.0	1.5	14	4.0×10^{-6}	3.7×10^{-6}	7.7×10^{-6}
A	017	15	11	1.4	1.4	5.1×10^{-6}	5.0×10^{-6}	1.0×10^{-5}
A	018	16	1.3	0.8	0.2	1.1×10^{-6}	1.1×10^{-6}	2.2×10^{-6}
A	087	47	15	0.64	6.8	8.0×10^{-6}	6.5×10^{-6}	1.4×10^{-5}
A	088	43	30	2.8	11	1.4×10^{-5}	1.3×10^{-5}	2.8×10^{-5}
A	089	31	11	1.3	5.1	5.8×10^{-6}	5.3×10^{-6}	1.1×10^{-5}
A	090	48	33	1.3	14	1.6×10^{-5}	1.4×10^{-5}	2.9×10^{-5}
A	091	29	22	1.2	14	1.1×10^{-5}	9.4×10^{-6}	2.0×10^{-5}
A	092	64	24	1.5	67	1.4×10^{-5}	1.0×10^{-5}	2.4×10^{-5}
A	093	67	17	6.6	72	1.2×10^{-5}	1.1×10^{-5}	2.3×10^{-5}
A	094	25	8.1	3.2	23	5.1×10^{-6}	5.3×10^{-6}	1.0×10^{-5}
B	006	56	25	2.8	18	1.3×10^{-5}	1.2×10^{-5}	2.5×10^{-5}
B	007	49	12	4.0	11	7.2×10^{-6}	7.5×10^{-6}	1.5×10^{-5}
B	008	17	36	1.5	12	1.6×10^{-5}	1.5×10^{-5}	3.1×10^{-5}
B	009	59	110	1.7	13	4.9×10^{-5}	4.3×10^{-5}	9.2×10^{-5}
B	010	17	21	2.2	13	9.7×10^{-6}	9.3×10^{-6}	1.9×10^{-5}

TABLE A.2 (Cont.)

Exposure Unit	Sample ID	Concentration (pCi/g)				Total Risk		
		Uranium-238	Radium-226	Radium-228	Thorium-230	Ingestion	External Gamma	Cumulative
B	011	2.6	1.3	0.74	0.27	7.2×10^{-7}	1.0×10^{-6}	1.7×10^{-6}
B	012	52	42	1.6	12	2.0×10^{-5}	1.7×10^{-5}	3.7×10^{-5}
B	019	7.8	18	1.1	7.5	8.3×10^{-6}	7.7×10^{-6}	1.6×10^{-5}
B	020	2.6	1.2	0.87	3.0	7.4×10^{-7}	1.0×10^{-6}	1.8×10^{-6}
B	021	14	2.2	1.0	2.8	1.5×10^{-6}	1.6×10^{-6}	3.0×10^{-6}
B	132	57	100	3.1	960	7.2×10^{-5}	4.1×10^{-5}	1.1×10^{-4}
B	095	16	4.6	1.5	6.8	2.7×10^{-6}	2.8×10^{-6}	5.5×10^{-6}
B	096	27	11	1.7	12	5.8×10^{-6}	5.3×10^{-6}	1.1×10^{-5}
B	098	120	180	3.4	4,900	2.2×10^{-4}	7.0×10^{-5}	2.9×10^{-4}
B	099	39	53	3.7	170	2.9×10^{-5}	2.3×10^{-5}	5.1×10^{-5}
B	101	64	170	13	1,400	1.2×10^{-4}	7.3×10^{-5}	1.9×10^{-4}
B	102	17	19	3.1	31	9.7×10^{-6}	9.3×10^{-6}	1.9×10^{-5}
C	025	640	280	1.7	320	1.5×10^{-4}	1.1×10^{-4}	2.6×10^{-4}
C	027	79	7.2	21	19	7.8×10^{-6}	1.7×10^{-5}	2.4×10^{-5}
C	049	26	6.5	1.7	12	4.0×10^{-6}	3.7×10^{-6}	7.7×10^{-6}
C	102.1	140	82	4.8	370	5.0×10^{-5}	3.5×10^{-5}	8.5×10^{-5}
C	103	330	26	2.9	44	2.1×10^{-5}	1.4×10^{-5}	3.5×10^{-5}
C	104	32	120	2.4	56	5.2×10^{-5}	4.6×10^{-5}	9.7×10^{-5}
C	105	35	26	11	21	1.4×10^{-5}	1.7×10^{-5}	3.1×10^{-5}
C	106	62	63	6.0	54	3.0×10^{-5}	2.8×10^{-5}	5.9×10^{-5}
C	107	58	35	2.2	120	2.0×10^{-5}	1.5×10^{-5}	3.5×10^{-5}
C	108	27	24	5.0	16	1.2×10^{-5}	1.2×10^{-5}	2.4×10^{-5}
C	108.1	24	35	2.3	20	1.6×10^{-5}	1.5×10^{-5}	3.1×10^{-5}

TABLE A.2 (Cont.)

Exposure Unit	Sample ID	Concentration (pCi/g)				Total Risk		
		Uranium-238	Radium-226	Radium-228	Thorium-230	Ingestion	External Gamma	Cumulative
C	110	98	34	2.7	32	1.8×10^{-5}	1.5×10^{-5}	3.4×10^{-5}
C	110.1	38	11	2.7	22	6.6×10^{-6}	6.2×10^{-6}	1.3×10^{-5}
C	111	65	43	6.1	48	2.2×10^{-5}	2.1×10^{-5}	4.2×10^{-5}
C	112	55	70	2.5	1,700	7.9×10^{-5}	2.9×10^{-5}	1.1×10^{-4}
C	113	68	66	2.9	56	3.2×10^{-5}	2.7×10^{-5}	5.9×10^{-5}
C	114	22	22	3.9	21	1.1×10^{-5}	1.1×10^{-5}	2.2×10^{-5}
C	115	47	56	2.8	36	2.6×10^{-5}	2.4×10^{-5}	5.0×10^{-5}
C	116	34	18	3.8	23	9.5×10^{-6}	9.5×10^{-6}	1.9×10^{-5}
C	143	3.7	1.8	1.6	4.6	1.2×10^{-6}	1.8×10^{-6}	2.9×10^{-6}
C	144	1.4	1.1	1.5	2.4	7.1×10^{-7}	1.4×10^{-6}	2.1×10^{-6}
C	145	2.3	1.3	0.9	4.6	8.4×10^{-7}	1.1×10^{-6}	1.9×10^{-6}
C	146	1.3	1.4	2.6	1.7	9.4×10^{-7}	2.2×10^{-6}	3.1×10^{-6}
D	026A	11	4.5	1.4	24	3.0×10^{-6}	2.7×10^{-6}	5.7×10^{-6}
D	026B	14	5.1	1.9	240	9.7×10^{-6}	3.2×10^{-6}	1.3×10^{-5}
D	026C	5.7	1.3	1.09	22	1.4×10^{-6}	1.2×10^{-6}	2.7×10^{-6}
D	028	79	22	8.8	34	1.3×10^{-5}	1.5×10^{-5}	2.8×10^{-5}
D	030	2.9	2.4	1.4	6.5	1.4×10^{-6}	1.9×10^{-6}	3.3×10^{-6}
D	050	7.7	9.3	1.0	6.8	4.4×10^{-6}	4.2×10^{-6}	8.6×10^{-6}
D	051	33	8.2	3.2	120	8.1×10^{-6}	5.4×10^{-6}	1.3×10^{-5}
D	052	5.7	1.9	1.3	4.3	1.2×10^{-6}	1.6×10^{-6}	2.8×10^{-6}
D	053	23	5.6	1.2	8.9	3.4×10^{-6}	3.1×10^{-6}	6.5×10^{-6}
D	054	3.3	2.1	1.2	4.1	1.2×10^{-6}	1.6×10^{-6}	2.8×10^{-6}
D	055	45	17	1.7	47	9.9×10^{-6}	7.8×10^{-6}	1.8×10^{-5}
D	056	16	3.9	1.3	11	2.6×10^{-6}	2.5×10^{-6}	5.0×10^{-6}

TABLE A.2 (Cont.)

Exposure Unit	Sample ID	Concentration (pCi/g)				Total Risk		
		Uranium-238	Radium-226	Radium-228	Thorium-230	Ingestion	External Gamma	Cumulative
D	057	3.6	2.7	1.3	3.8	1.5×10^{-6}	1.9×10^{-6}	3.4×10^{-6}
D	058	81	54	3.6	64	2.7×10^{-5}	2.4×10^{-5}	5.1×10^{-5}
D	059	130	54	2.5	160	3.1×10^{-5}	2.3×10^{-5}	5.4×10^{-5}
D	060	25	65	1.2	28	2.9×10^{-5}	7.5×10^{-5}	5.4×10^{-5}
D	061	270	76	2.5	100	4.4×10^{-5}	3.2×10^{-5}	7.5×10^{-5}
D	062	27	14	2.3	11	7.2×10^{-6}	7.0×10^{-6}	1.4×10^{-5}
D	063	110	48	3.3	81	2.6×10^{-5}	2.1×10^{-5}	4.7×10^{-5}
D	064	60	20	3.1	65	1.2×10^{-5}	1.0×10^{-5}	2.3×10^{-5}
D	065	200	39	19	150	2.8×10^{-5}	2.8×10^{-5}	5.7×10^{-5}
D	066	200	38	4.3	320	3.1×10^{-5}	1.9×10^{-5}	5.0×10^{-5}
D	067	150	30	3.5	44	1.8×10^{-5}	1.5×10^{-5}	3.3×10^{-5}
D	068	120	23	86	160	2.7×10^{-5}	6.5×10^{-5}	9.2×10^{-5}
D	069	4.1	1.5	1.3	2.9	9.5×10^{-7}	1.5×10^{-6}	2.4×10^{-6}
D	070	6.4	3.6	1.3	15	2.2×10^{-6}	2.3×10^{-6}	4.5×10^{-6}
D	071	5.5	1.6	1.1	3.6	1.0×10^{-6}	1.4×10^{-6}	2.4×10^{-6}
D	072	20	9.0	1.9	16	5.0×10^{-6}	4.8×10^{-6}	9.8×10^{-6}
D	073	3.8	1.5	1.0	3.3	9.2×10^{-7}	1.2×10^{-6}	2.1×10^{-6}
D	074	4.2	1.5	1.1	2.7	9.5×10^{-7}	1.3×10^{-6}	2.3×10^{-6}
D	117	120	99	5.8	54	4.7×10^{-5}	4.2×10^{-5}	8.9×10^{-5}
D	118	77	19	2.9	48	1.2×10^{-5}	9.5×10^{-6}	2.1×10^{-5}
D	119	65	20	3.6	18	1.1×10^{-5}	1.0×10^{-5}	2.2×10^{-5}
D	120	180	100	8.1	84	5.1×10^{-5}	4.5×10^{-5}	9.5×10^{-5}
D	121	30	25	2.6	23	1.2×10^{-5}	1.2×10^{-5}	2.4×10^{-5}
D	122	15	35	3.1	43	1.7×10^{-5}	1.5×10^{-5}	3.2×10^{-5}

TABLE A.2 (Cont.)

Exposure Unit	Sample ID	Concentration (pCi/g)				Total Risk		
		Uranium-238	Radium-226	Radium-228	Thorium-230	Ingestion	External Gamma	Cumulative
D	123	86	50	7.1	67	2.6×10^{-5}	2.4×10^{-5}	5.1×10^{-5}
D	124	76	75	3.1	2,700	1.1×10^{-4}	3.1×10^{-5}	1.4×10^{-4}
D	147	2.9	1.6	3.3	4.0	1.2×10^{-6}	2.7×10^{-5}	4.0×10^{-6}
D	148	2.2	1.1	2.6	3.2	8.7×10^{-7}	2.1×10^{-6}	3.0×10^{-6}
D	149	19	21	1.3	9.2	9.6×10^{-6}	8.8×10^{-6}	1.8×10^{-5}
D	150	11	3.3	1.9	9.1	2.1×10^{-6}	2.6×10^{-6}	4.7×10^{-6}
D	151	14	5.3	2.9	12	3.2×10^{-6}	4.0×10^{-6}	7.2×10^{-6}
D	152	6.2	3.8	2.6	3.1	2.1×10^{-6}	3.1×10^{-6}	5.2×10^{-6}
D	153	10	8.6	2.1	11	4.4×10^{-6}	4.7×10^{-6}	9.1×10^{-6}
D	154	13	3.3	2.0	12	2.3×10^{-6}	2.6×10^{-6}	4.9×10^{-6}

[a] Sample numbers designated with a letter (A, B, C) denote collocated samples collected in the same general vicinity.

TABLE A.3 Radiological Risk Reduction Calculations for the Current Hunter[a]

	Carcinogenic Risk per Segment			
Alternative	A	B	C	D
Baseline	1×10^{-5}	2×10^{-5}	2×10^{-5}	1×10^{-5}
2.1	5×10^{-6}	6×10^{-6}	9×10^{-6}	5×10^{-6}
2.2	2×10^{-6}	1×10^{-6}	1×10^{-6}	1×10^{-6}

[a] Estimated risks are summed over all pathways and radionuclides.

TABLE A.4 Radiological Risk Reduction Calculations for the Hypothetical Future Child[a]

	Carcinogenic Risk per Segment			
Alternative	A	B	C	D
Baseline	5×10^{-5}	1×10^{-4}	9×10^{-5}	5×10^{-5}
2.1	2×10^{-5}	3×10^{-5}	4×10^{-5}	2×10^{-5}
2.2	7×10^{-6}	5×10^{-6}	6×10^{-6}	6×10^{-6}

[a] Estimated risks are summed over all pathways and radionuclides.

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CONTAMINANT UPTAKE MODELING FOR TERRESTRIAL WILDLIFE

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B.1 INTRODUCTION

Risks to terrestrial wildlife were estimated by modeling contaminant uptake via drinking water for three receptor species: the white-tailed deer, the white-footed mouse, and the great horned owl. The uptake modeling permitted prediction of an applied daily dose (ADD) for each receptor and each contaminant.

B.2 MODEL METHODOLOGY

Contaminant uptake from the ingestion of contaminated drinking water was estimated with the following equation:

$$ADD_{dw} = C_{dw} \times FR \times (IR_{dw}/BW)$$

where:

ADD_{dw} = applied daily dose from drinking water (mg/kg-d);

C_{dw} = exposure point concentration (mg/L) at the drinking water supply, i.e., the Southeast Drainage;

FR = fraction of total water ingestion from contaminated source;

IR_{dw} = ingestion rate of drinking water (g/d); and

BW = body weight (g) of the receptor.

Contaminant uptake through food chain transfer was also considered for the great horned owl, and the uptake modeling included the water/white-footed mouse–great horned owl pathway.

B.3 EXPOSURE FACTORS

Values for drinking water and food ingestion rates, body weights, and home ranges were obtained from the *Wildlife Exposure Factors Handbook* (EPA 1993) and the open scientific literature. The exposure factors used for this risk assessment are presented in Tables B.1 through B.3.

TABLE B.1 Exposure Factors for the White-Tailed Deer

Exposure Factor	Mean	Range or 95% UCL	Geographic Location	Source
Body weight (g)	90,000	-[a]	Missouri	Schwartz and Schwartz (1981)
Water ingestion rate (g/g-d)	0.07	-	-	Estimated[b]
Home range (ha)	160	260	Missouri	Schwartz and Schwartz (1981)
Seasonality factor	1.0	-	-	-

[a] A hyphen (-) indicates that the information was not applicable or not available.

[b] Estimated by the following allometric equations (EPA 1993):

Water Ingestion Rate (L/d) = $0.099W^{0.90}$, where W equals weight (49.33 kg); and

Normalized Water Ingestion Rate (g/g-d) = (Water Ingestion [g/d]) ÷ W (g).

TABLE B.2 Exposure Factors for the White-Footed Mouse

Exposure Factor	Mean	Range or 95% UCL	Geographic Location	Source
Body weight (g)	21	-[a]	North America	Millar (1989)
Water ingestion rate (g/g-d)	0.15	-	-	Estimated[b]
Home range (ha)	0.06	0.054 - 0.072	Virginia	Wolff (1985)

[a] A hyphen (-) indicates that the information was not applicable or not available.

[b] Estimated by the following allometric equations (EPA 1993):

Water Ingestion Rate (L/d) = $0.099W^{0.90}$, where W equals weight (0.021 kg); and

Normalized Water Ingestion Rate (g/g-d) = (Water Ingestion [g/d]) ÷ W (g).

TABLE B.3 Exposure Factors for the Great Horned Owl

Exposure Factor	Mean	Range or 95% UCL	Geographic Location	Source
Body weight (g)	1,505	-[a]	Colorado	Craighead and Craighead (1969)
Food ingestion rate (g/g-d)	0.092	-	Wyoming, Michigan	Craighead and Craighead (1969)
Water ingestion rate (g/g-d)	0.052	-	-	Estimated[b]
Home range (ha)	78.5	-	-	Baumgartner (1939)
Diet composition, mammals (%)	92	-	Wyoming, Michigan	Craighead and Craighead (1969)

[a] A hyphen (-) indicates that the information was not applicable or not available.
[b] Estimated by the following allometric equations (EPA 1993):
Water Ingestion Rate (L/d) = $0.059W^{0.67}$, where W equals weight (1.219 kg); and
Normalized Water Ingestion Rate (g/g-d) = (Water Ingestion [g/d]) ÷ W (g).

Every effort was made to select exposure factors from populations nearest the Busch Conservation Area. For the white-footed mouse and great horned owl, 100% of the ingested drinking water was assumed to be obtained from the Southeast Drainage, whereas only 7.4% of the total water intake for the white-tailed deer was considered to come from the drainage. For the deer, this diet fraction was developed as the ratio of the total surface water area of the Southeast Drainage (1.1 ha) to the total available surface water area (15 ha) within the home range of the deer, centered on the midpoint of the drainage. Because of the much smaller home range sizes of the white-footed mouse and great horned owl, these latter species were considered to obtain all their drinking water from the drainage.

B.4 MODEL ASSUMPTIONS

Modeling contaminant uptake and determining the ADD includes the following assumptions:

- Consistent with EPA (1993) guidance, the home range used in this assessment includes both daily activity and foraging ranges.
- All foraging activities of each receptor are constant and uniformly distributed over the receptor's entire home range.
- Contaminant uptake by biota will not significantly affect the environmental concentration of contaminants.
- Contaminant assimilation is assumed to be complete (100%).

B.5 DOSE ESTIMATES

Predicted daily dose estimates via the drinking water pathway are presented in Table B.4. Risks to wildlife were estimated by calculating a value of the ecological effects quotient (EEQ). This value is calculated as the ratio between the predicted daily dose and a no-observed-adverse-effects (NOAEL) benchmark dose concentration. Benchmark values used in this ecological assessment are presented in Table B.5. Estimated EEQ values are presented in Table 10.

TABLE B.4 Estimated Applied Daily Dose for the White-Tailed Deer, White-Footed Mouse, and Great Horned Owl Using the Southeast Drainage

	Applied Daily Dose (mg/kg-d)		
Contaminant[a]	White-Tailed Deer[a]	White-Footed Mouse[a]	Great Horned Owl[b]
Metals			
Aluminum	0.001	0.034	0.015
Antimony	< 0.001	0.14	0.005
Barium	< 0.001	0.019	0.008
Chromium	< 0.001	0.004	0.002
Copper	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Iron	0.001	0.044	0.020
Lead	< 0.001	0.002	0.001
Magnesium	0.084	2.6	1.2
Manganese	< 0.001	0.012	0.006
Molybdenum	< 0.002	0.006	0.003
Nickel	< 0.001	0.001	< 0.001
Silver	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Uranium, total	0.004	0.13	0.057
Vanadium	< 0.001	0.004	0.002
Zinc	< 0.001	0.006	0.003
Inorganic anion			
Nitrate	0.16	5.0	2.3
Nitroaromatic compounds			
1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
1,3-Dinitrobenzene	< 0.001	< 0.001	<0.001
2,4,6-Trinitrotoluene	0.001	0.040	0.018
2,4-Dinitrotoluene	< 0.001	0.002	< 0.001
2,6-Dinitrotoluene	< 0.001	0.002	< 0.001
2-Amino-4,6-dinitrotoluene	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
4-Amino-2,6-dinitrotoluene	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Nitrobenzene	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001

[a] Drinking water pathway.

[b] Drinking water and food ingestion pathways.

TABLE B.5 Benchmark Values for NOAEL Doses Used to Estimate Risks to Ecological Receptors

Contaminant	Receptor	Benchmark (mg/kg-d)[a]
Metals		
Aluminum	White-footed mouse	2.1
	White-tailed deer	0.16
	Great horned owl	66
Antimony	White-footed mouse	0.14
	White-tailed deer	0.010
	Great horned owl	NA[b]
Barium	White-footed mouse	14
	White-tailed deer	1.0
	Great horned owl	12
Chromium	White-footed mouse	8.2
	White-tailed deer	0.61
	Great horned owl	1.2
Copper	White-footed mouse	41
	White-tailed deer	3.1
	Great horned owl	43
Lead	White-footed mouse	20
	White-tailed deer	1.5
	Great horned owl	2.2
Manganese	White-footed mouse	220
	White-tailed deer	16
	Great horned owl	460
Molybdenum	White-footed mouse	0.29
	White-tailed deer	0.020
	Great horned owl	4.5
Nickel	White-footed mouse	100
	White-tailed deer	7.5
	Great horned owl	80
Uranium, total	White-footed mouse	3.3
	White-tailed deer	0.25
	Great horned owl	19

TABLE B.5 (Cont.)

Contaminant	Receptor	Benchmark (mg/kg-d)[a]
Metals (cont.)		
Vanadium	White-footed mouse	0.47
	White-tailed deer	0.040
	Great horned owl	13
Zinc	White-footed mouse	400
	White-tailed deer	30
	Great horned owl	20
Inorganic anion		
Nitrate	White-footed mouse	1,700
	White-tailed deer	130
	Great horned owl	NA
Nitroaromatic compounds		
1,3,5-Trinitrobenzene	White-footed mouse	6.7[c]
	White-tailed deer	0.90[c]
	Great horned owl	NA
1,3-Dinitrobenzene	White-footed mouse	0.23[c]
	White-tailed deer	0.030[c]
	Great horned owl	NA
2,4,6-Trinitrotoluene	White-footed mouse	3.0[c]
	White-tailed deer	0.40[c]
	Great horned owl	NA

[a] Benchmark values from Opresko et al. (1995), unless otherwise noted.

[b] NA = no benchmark available.

[c] Benchmark values from Talmage and Opresko (1996).

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APPENDIX C:

POTENTIAL REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SOUTHEAST DRAINAGE

TABLE C.1 Potentially Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs) and To-Be-Considered Requirements for the Southeast Drainage Area

Citation	Location	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Location-Specific ARARs				
Endangered Species Act, as amended (16 USC 1531-1543; 50 CFR 17.402)	Any	Federal agencies should ensure that any action authorized, funded, or carried out by the agency is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any threatened or endangered species or destroy or adversely modify any critical habitat.	Potentially applicable	No critical habitat has been identified in the Southeast Drainage area, and no adverse impacts to threatened or endangered species are expected to result from the removal action. Informal consultations have occurred with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; if such species might be affected, the requirement would be applicable.
Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (16 USC 661-666; 40 CFR 4.302(a))	Streams	Adequate protection of fish and wildlife resources is required when any federal department or agency proposes or authorizes any modification (e.g., diversion or channeling) of any stream or other water body or any modification of areas affecting any stream or other water body.	Potentially applicable	If areas in the stream exceeding 4 ha (10 acres) are to be modified through sediment remediation activities, these requirements would be applicable.
Missouri Wildlife Code (1989) (RSMo. 252.240; 3 CSR 10-4.111), Endangered Species	Any	Endangered species, i.e., those designated by the U.S. Department of Interior and the Missouri Department of Conservation as threatened or endangered (see 1978 Code, RSMo. 252.240), should not be pursued, taken, possessed, or killed.	Potentially applicable	No adverse impacts to threatened or endangered species are expected to result from the removal action; however, if such species might be affected, the requirement would be applicable.
Missouri Wildlife Code (1989) (RSMo. 252.240; 3 CSR 10-4.110), General Prohibition; Application	Any	Wildlife, including their homes and eggs, should not be taken, molested, hunted, trapped, killed, or transported except under permitted conditions.	Potentially applicable	The removal action should not significantly molest, hunt, trap, kill, or transport wildlife or their homes or eggs; however, if such species were to be impacted, this requirement would be applicable.
Floodplain Management (Executive Order 11988; 10 CFR Part 1022)	Floodplains	Federal agencies should avoid, to the maximum extent possible, any adverse impacts associated with direct and indirect development of a floodplain; DOE must evaluate all actions that might impact a floodplain.	Potentially applicable	This requirement would be applicable at the Southeast Drainage area, which lies in the Missouri River floodplain. Mitigative measures would be taken to minimize any adverse impacts, and the areas would be restored to original conditions upon completion of the removal action. A floodplain assessment has been prepared.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Location	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Location-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Governor's Executive Order 82-19	Floodplains	Potential effects of actions taken in a floodplain should be evaluated to avoid adverse impacts.	Potentially applicable	This requirement would be applicable at the Southeast Drainage area, which lies in the Missouri River floodplain. Mitigative measures would be taken to minimize any adverse impacts, and the area would be restored to original conditions upon completion of the removal action.

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Contaminant-Specific ARARs				
Environmental Radiation Protection Standards for Nuclear Power Operations (40 CFR Part 190)	Radiation	The annual dose equivalent must not exceed 25 mrem to the whole body, 75 mrem to the thyroid, and 25 mrem to any other organ of any member of the public as the result of exposures to any planned discharges of radioactive materials, except for radon and its decay products.	Potentially relevant and appropriate	These regulations are not applicable because the Southeast Drainage area is not a nuclear power operation; however, they might be relevant and appropriate to the proposed action.
Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment (DOE Order 5400.5); Proposed Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment (10 CFR Part 834; 58 FR 16268, March 25, 1993)	Radiation	The basic dose limit for nonoccupationally exposed individuals is 100 mrem/yr above background effective dose equivalent. Also, all radiation exposures should be reduced to levels as low as reasonably achievable. The basic dose limit for exposure to residual radioactive material is also 100 mrem/yr above background effective dose equivalent.	To be considered	DOE Orders are not promulgated standards but are pertinent to DOE activities. Once 10 CFR Part 834 is promulgated as a final rule, those requirements would be applicable.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Contaminant-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
(Cont.)	Radionuclides in soil	Residual concentrations in soil of radionuclides, other than radium, shall be derived from this basic dose limit by means of an environmental pathway analysis using a procedure where it is averaged over an area of 100 m^2. For radium, the generic guidelines for residual concentrations are 5 pCi/g, averaged over the first 15 cm of soil below the surface and 15 pCi/g averaged over 15-cm-thick layers of soil more than 15 cm below the surface. These concentrations are for total radium, i.e., the sum of radium-226 and radium-228.	To be considered	Although these requirements could be considered pertinent to the proposed action, the contamination conditions in the Southeast Drainage are much different than those for which these requirements were developed. The highly localized nature of contamination would make averaging over an area of 100 m^2 impractical, and the residual concentrations of radium were meant to apply to future land-use conditions significantly different from those in the drainage. Site-specific cleanup guidelines were developed to ensure protectiveness for potential future exposure to radioactive contaminants in the drainage. These guidelines are given in Chapter 6 of this document.
	Radionuclides in sediment	Liquid process waste streams (including contaminated stormwater runoff) may be released to natural waterways if the concentration of radioactive material in settleable solids does not exceed 5 pCi/g above background levels for alpha-emitting radionuclides or 50 pCi/g above background level for beta-gamma-emitting radionuclides.	To be considered	Although no action is anticipated that would release a liquid process waste stream, the limits for preventing buildup of radionuclide concentrations in sediment might be pertinent to developing a concentration level for sediment remediation.
Missouri Radiation Regulations; Protection against Ionizing Radiation (19 CSR 20-10.040), Maximum Permissible Exposure Limits	Radiation	For persons outside a controlled area, the maximum permissible whole-body dose due to sources in or migrating from the controlled area is limited to 2 mrem in any 1 hour, 0.1 rem in any 7 consecutive days, and 0.5 rem in any 1 year. (Note: Controlled area is an area that requires control of access, occupancy, and working conditions for radiation protection purposes; 0.5 rem = 500 mrem.)	Potentially applicable	These requirements would be applicable to protection of the public during implementation of the action.
National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (40 CFR Part 61), Subpart H, National Emission Standards for Emissions of Radionuclides other than Radon from Department of Energy Facilities	Radionuclides other than radon-220 and radon-222 in air	Emission of radionuclides other than radon-220 and radon-222 to the ambient air from DOE facilities should not result in an effective dose equivalent of >10 mrem/yr to any member of the public.	Potentially relevant and appropriate	These requirements would be relevant and appropriate to protection of the public during implementation of the removal action at the Southeast Drainage area, although they would not be applicable because the Southeast Drainage area is not a DOE facility.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Contaminant-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (40 CFR Part 61), Subpart Q, National Emission Standards for Radon Emissions from Department of Energy Facilities	Radon-222 in air	Emission of radon-222 to the ambient air from DOE facilities should not exceed 20 pCi/m^3 as an average for the entire source.	Potentially relevant and appropriate	These requirements would be relevant and appropriate to protection of the public during implementation of the removal action at the Southeast Drainage area, although they would not be applicable because the Southeast Drainage area is not a DOE facility.
National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (40 CFR Part 61), Subpart T, National Emission Standards for Radon Emissions from the Disposal of Uranium Mill Tailings	Radon-222 in air	Emission of radon-222 to the ambient air from uranium mill tailing piles should not exceed 20 pCi/m^3.	Potentially relevant and appropriate	These requirements would be relevant and appropriate to protection of the public during implementation of the removal action at the Southeast Drainage area, although they would not be applicable because the Southeast Drainage area is not a uranium mill tailings storage site.
Health and Environmental Protection Standards for Uranium and Thorium Mill Tailings (40 CFR Part 192), Subpart A, Standards for the Control of Residual Radioactive Material from Inactive Uranium Processing Sites	Radon-222 in air	The annual average release rate of radon-222 to the atmosphere applied over the entire surface of a disposal site should not exceed 20 pCi/m^2-s, and the annual average concentration of radon-222 in air at or above any location outside the disposal site should not be increased by more than 0.5 pCi/L. Releases of radon-222 from residual radioactive material to the atmosphere should not exceed an average release rate of 20 pCi/L per m^3/s or increase the average annual concentration of radon-222 in air by more than 0.5 pCi/L.	Potentially relevant and appropriate	The Southeast Drainage is not a designated uranium processing site, so these requirements would not be applicable; however, they could be considered relevant and appropriate because the site contains material sufficiently similar to uranium mill tailings and the potential release issue could be pertinent to final site conditions.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Contaminant-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment (DOE Order 5400.5); Proposed Radiation Protection of the Public and Environment (10 CFR Part 834; 58 FR 16268, March 25, 1993)	Radon-222 in air	Releases of radon-222 from residual radioactive material disposal sites should not exceed an annual average release rate of 20 pCi/m^2-s, cause outdoor annual concentrations of radon-220 or radon-222 resulting from facilities where sources of radon are handled to exceed 3 pCi/L above background at the facility or beyond the facility border that is accessible to the public, or increase the annual average radon-222 concentration at or above any location outside the boundary of the contaminated area by more than 0.5 pCi/L. The above-background concentration of radon-222 in air above an interim storage facility should not exceed 100 pCi/L at any point, an annual average of 30 pCi/L over the site, or an annual average of 3 pCi/L at or above any location outside the site. The derived concentration guide for immersion in air in an uncontrolled area for both radon-220 and radon-222 is 3 pCi/L. (See also the discussion for DOE Order 5820.2A.)	To be considered	Although not promulgated standards, these requirements might be pertinent to releases of radon-222 during remedial activities. Once 10 CFR Part 834 is promulgated as a final rule, these requirements would be applicable.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Contaminant-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment (DOE Order 5400.5)	Radionuclides in air	Residual concentrations of radionuclides in air in uncontrolled areas are limited to derived concentration guides (μCi/mL) as follows: Uranium-238: 5×10^{-12} (D), 2×10^{-12} (W), and 1×10^{-13} (Y); Radium-226: 1×10^{-12} (W); Radium-228: 3×10^{-12} (W); Radon-220: 3×10^{-9} (D), 3×10^{-9} (W), and 3×10^{-9} (Y); Radon-222: 3×10^{-9} (D), 3×10^{-9} (W), and 3×10^{-9} (Y); Thorium-230: 43×10^{-14} (W), 5×10^{-14} (Y). D, W, and Y represent lung retention classes; removal half-times assigned to the compounds in classes D, W, and Y are 0.5, 50, and 500 days, respectively. Exposure conditions assume an inhalation rate of 8,400 m^3 of air per year (based on an exposure over 24 hours per day, 365 days per year). Note: Derived concentration guides for radon are being assessed by DOE. Until that review is completed, the value of 3×10^{-9} shall be used for DOE facilities.	To be considered	These requirements would be applicable for protection of the public during implementation of the removal action.
Proposed Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment (10 CFR Part 834; 58 FR 16268, March 25, 1993)	Radionuclides in air	DOE activities shall be conducted in a manner such that a release of radioactive material to the atmosphere shall not cause any member of the public to receive a total effective dose equivalent in excess of 10 mrem/yr.	To be considered	Although these DOE requirements are not yet promulgated, they should be considered. Once finalized, 10 CFR Part 834 would be applicable.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Contaminant-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Missouri Radiation Regulations; Protection against Ionizing Radiation (19 CSR 20-10.040), Maximum Permissible Exposure Limits	Radionuclides in air	The concentrations above natural background of radionuclides in air outside a controlled area, averaged over any calendar quarter, should not exceed the following:	Potentially applicable	These requirements would be applicable to protection of the public during implementation of the removal action.

Isotope	Concentration Limit (μCi/mL) Soluble	Concentration Limit (μCi/mL) Insoluble
Radium-226	1×10^{-12}	6×10^{-9}
Radium-228	2×10^{-12}	1×10^{-12}
Radon-222	1×10^{-9}	NA[a]
Thorium-230	8×10^{-14}	3×10^{-13}
Uranium-238	3×10^{-12}	5×10^{-12}

[a] Not applicable because radon-222 is a gas.

Missouri Water Quality Standards (10 CSR 20-7.031)	Contaminants in water	All streams and lakes shall conform with state and federal limits for radionuclides established for drinking water supply (i.e., maximum contaminant levels).	Potentially applicable	These regulations apply to the contaminant levels in surface water and would be applicable to this removal action.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Contaminant-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Safe Drinking Water Act (42 USC 300G); National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (40 CFR Part 141), Subpart B, Maximum Contaminant Levels; Subpart G, National Revised Primary Drinking Water Regulations, Maximum Contaminant Levels; Missouri Drinking Water Regulations, Maximum Contaminant Levels (10 CSR 60-4.060)	Contaminants in water	Maximum contaminant levels for drinking water delivered directly to the ultimate user of a public water system are as follows: Combined radium-226 and radium-228, 5 pCi/L Gross alpha particle activity (including radium-226 but excluding radon and uranium), 15 pCi/L Beta particle and photon radioactivity, 4 mrem/yr (annual dose equivalent; if gross beta activity exceeds 50 pCi/L, isotopic analysis and organ-specific dose calculations should be made to ensure that this total dose limit is met). Maximum contaminant levels for other contaminants are as follows: Antimony 0.006 mg/L Barium 2 mg/L Chromium 0.1 mg/L Copper 1.3 mg/L[a] Lead 0.015 mg/L[a] Nickel 0.1 mg/L[b] Thallium 0.0005 mg/L [a] Action level. [b] Being remanded.	Potentially relevant and appropriate	These requirements would not be applicable because the water impacted by the site would not be used directly as a drinking water supply; however, they might be relevant and appropriate to determine levels of contaminants of concern in surface water in the drainage.
Health and Environmental Protection Standards for Uranium and Thorium Mill Tailings (40 CFR Part 192), Subpart B, Standards for Cleanup of Land and Buildings Contaminated with Residual Radioactive Materials from Inactive Uranium Processing Sites	Radium in soil	Residual concentrations of radium-226 in soil at a designated uranium processing site should not exceed background by more than 5 pCi/g in the top 15 cm of soil or 15 pCi/g in each 15-cm layer below the top layer, averaged over an area of 100 m^2. (Similar limits are indicated for radium-228 in Subpart E, which addresses thorium by-product material.)	Potentially relevant and appropriate	The Southeast Drainage is not a designated uranium processing site, so these requirements would not be applicable; however, they could be considered relevant and appropriate because the site contains material sufficiently similar to uranium mill tailings and the issue of residual radionuclide concentrations in soil could be pertinent to final site conditions. However, future land-use conditions for which these concentration limits were meant to apply are significantly different from those in the drainage. Therefore, these regulations might not be relevant and appropriate.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Contaminant-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Toxic Substance Control Act, as amended (15 USC 2607-2629); Polychlorinated Biphenyls Manufacturing, Processing, Distribution in Commerce, and Use Prohibitions (40 CFR 761.125)	PCBs in soil	For spills of materials contaminated with >50 ppm PCBs in unrestricted-access areas (e.g., residential areas), soil within the spill area must be excavated and backfilled with soil containing <1 ppm PCBs. Contaminated soil may be decontaminated to 10 ppm by weight by excavating a minimum of 25 cm (10 in.) and backfilling with soil containing <1 ppm PCBs.	To be considered	Any PCB contamination at the site would have preceded the effective date of this requirement; hence, it is not applicable. Because EPA policy on PCB spill cleanup is not an enforceable requirement, it is not considered relevant and appropriate. However, these regulations are the guidelines used by the EPA for setting preliminary remediation goals for PCBs in soil at a remediation site.
Drinking Water Regulations and Health Advisories, EPA 822-R-93-001, Office of Water, May 1995; Proposed National Primary Drinking Water Rule for Radionuclides (40 CFR Part 141, 56 FR 33050, July 18, 1991)	Contaminants in water	Health Advisories — Reference dose (RfD) and Drinking Water Equivalent Level (DWEL) — have been set as follows:	To be considered	These values are not regulations but are used in the absence of regulatory limits and, therefore, may be considered in setting surface water remediation levels.

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	Longer-Term (mg/L)	RfD (mg/kg-d)	DWEL (mg/L)	Lifetime (mg/L)	Cancer Risk (mg/L) at 10^{-4})
TNT	0.02	0.0005	0.02	0.002	0.1
Manganese	--	0.14[a] 0.005[b]			
Zinc	10	0.3	10	2	--
2,4-DNT	--	--	--	--	0.005
2,6-DNT	--	--	--	--	0.005
Uranium	--	0.003	--	--	--

[a] In food.
[b] In water.

The 1991 Proposed National Primary Drinking Water Rule for Radionuclides proposed an MCL of 20 µg/L for uranium.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Contaminant-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Proposed Contaminated Sediment Management Strategy (EPA 823-R-94-001; 59 FR 44,800, Aug. 30, 1994)	Contaminants in sediment	This proposed strategy addresses assessment, prevention, remediation, dredged material management, research, and outreach concerning contaminated sediments. The strategy will be used for CERCLA remediations, including developing chemical-specific sediment criteria and siting long-term disposal sites for contaminated sediments.	To be considered	This proposed strategy will not be a regulation and, therefore, cannot be an ARAR. However, it might be pertinent to the proposed action.

Citation	Medium	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs				
Clean Air Act, as amended (42 USC 7401-7642); National Primary and Secondary Ambient Air Quality Standards (40 CFR Part 50) — Air Programs	Air	Concentrations of particulate matter <10 μm in diameter (PM-10) must not exceed 50 $\mu g/m^3$ annual arithmetic mean and 150 $\mu g/m^3$ 24-hour average concentration.	Potentially relevant and appropriate	These requirements would not be applicable because they do not apply directly to source-specific emissions but to ambient concentrations. However, they would be addressed in controlling emissions of those contaminants that could result from the excavation activities.
Missouri Air Quality Standards; Air Quality Standards, Definitions, Sampling and Reference Methods, and Air Pollution Control Regulations for the State of Missouri (10 CSR 10-6.010), Ambient Air Quality	Air	Concentrations are limited as identified for the National Primary and Secondary Ambient Air Quality Standards.	Potentially relevant and appropriate	These requirements would not be applicable because they do not apply directly to source-specific emissions but to ambient concentrations. However, they would be addressed in controlling emissions that could result from excavation activities.
Missouri Air Pollution Control Regulations; Air Quality Standards and Air Pollution Control Regulations for the St. Louis Metropolitan Area (10 CSR 10-5.090), Restriction of Emissions of Visible Air Contaminants	Air	Emissions of particulate matter from any single source, not including uncombined water, should not be darker than the shades of density designated as No. 2 on the Ringelmann Chart or 20% opacity.	Potentially applicable	These requirements would apply to emissions of particulate matter from removal activities.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Medium	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Missouri Air Quality Standards (10 CSR 10-6.170), Restriction of Particulate Matter to the Ambient Air beyond the Premises of Origin	Air	No person should permit the handling, transport, or storage of any material without applying reasonable measures as may be required to prevent fugitive particulate matter to go beyond the premises of origin in quantities that (1) the particulate matter remains visible in the ambient air beyond the property line of origin or (2) the particulate matter may be found on surfaces beyond the property line of origin. To prevent particulate matter from going beyond the premises of origin during construction, repair, cleaning, or demolition of a building or its appurtenances; construction or use of a road, driveway, or open area; or operation of a commercial or industrial installation, the following measures may be required: revision of procedures involving construction, repair, cleaning, and demolition of buildings that produce particulate matter emissions; revision of procedures involving paving or frequent cleaning of roads; application of dust-free surfaces or water; and planting and maintenance of a vegetative ground cover.	Potentially applicable	These requirements would be applicable to releases of particulates from the removal activities.
Missouri Water Pollution Control Regulations, Storm Water Regulations (10 CSR 20-6.200)	Storm water	During construction or land disturbance activities, measures must be taken to minimize the runoff of storm water into waters of the state.	Potentially applicable	These regulations would be applicable to any land disturbance activities exceeding 2 ha (5 acres) of total land area involved in the proposed action. This application would also include identification of local erosion and sediment control requirements, such as those of the St. Charles Soil and Water Conservation District, Model Sediment and Erosion Control Regulations. Under this local requirement, a plan or plans addressing sediment and erosion control would have to be submitted to and approved by the County Highway Engineer.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Medium	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Radioactive Waste Management (DOE Order 5820.2A)	Waste	DOE waste containing by-product material as defined in Section 11e(2) of the Atomic Energy Act, as amended, or similarly contaminated residues derived from DOE remedial actions, shall be managed consistent with the requirements of the residual radioactive material guidelines contained in 40 CFR Part 192.	To be considered	These are not promulgated standards and cannot be ARARs; however, they might be pertinent to the management of radioactive wastes resulting from the removal action.
Proposed Radiation Protection of the Public and the Environment (10 CFR Part 834; 58 FR 16268, March 25, 1993)	Radioactive waste	DOE activities should be conducted such that exposure of members of the public from radioactive waste does not exceed 25 mrem/yr effective dose equivalent from all exposure pathways.	To be considered	Once promulgated, these regulations would be applicable to the removal action.
Missouri Radiation Regulations; Protection against Ionizing Radiation (19 CSR 20-10.070), Storage of Radioactive Materials	Radioactive waste	Radioactive materials should be stored in a manner that will not result in the exposure of any person, during routine access to a controlled area, in excess of the limits identified in 19 CSR 20-10.040 (see related discussion for contaminant-specific requirements); a facility used to store materials that may emit radioactive gases or airborne particulate matter should be vented to ensure that the concentration of such substances in air does not constitute a radiation hazard; and provisions should be made to minimize the hazard to emergency workers in the event of a fire, earthquake, flood, or windstorm.	Potentially applicable	Pending the availability of a disposal facility, these requirements would be applicable to the temporary storage of certain material that would be generated during the removal action.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Medium	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Missouri Radiation Regulations; Protection against Ionizing Radiation (19 CSR 20-10.080), Control of Radioactive Contamination	Radioactive waste	All work should be carried out under conditions that minimize the potential spread of radioactive material that could result in the exposure of any person above any limit specified in 19 CSR 20-10.040 (see related discussion for contaminant-specific requirements). Clothing and other personal contamination should be monitored and removed according to procedures established by a qualified expert; any material contaminated to the degree that a person could be exposed to radiation above any limit specified in 19 CSR 20-10.040 should be retained on-site until it can be decontaminated or disposed of according to procedures established by a qualified expert.	Not an ARAR	These requirements are part of an employee protection law (rather than an environmental law) with which CERCLA response actions should comply; hence, they are not subject to the ARAR process. However, they constitute requirements for worker protection with which the proposed action would comply.
Toxic Substance Control Act, as amended (15 USC 2607-2629); Polychlorinated Biphenyls Manufacturing, Processing, Distribution in Commerce, and Use Prohibitions (40 CFR 761.60 and 761.65)	PCB waste	Storage of PCBs at concentrations in excess of 50 ppm must be in specified containers in a facility that meets specific design and operational requirements. PCBs can be disposed of only in EPA-approved chemical landfills.	Potentially applicable	If soils with PCB contamination in excess of 50 ppm are stored temporarily, these requirements would be applicable. PCBs can only be disposed of in an EPA-approved chemical landfill.
Toxic Substances Control Act, as amended (15 USC 2607-2629; PL 94-499, et seque.); Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) Manufacturing, Processing, Distribution in Commerce, and Use Prohibitions (40 CFR Part 761), Subpart D, Storage and Disposal	PCB waste	Material contaminated with PCBs >50 ppm must be stored for disposal (within 1 year) in a facility that is marked for storage and is not located in a 100-year floodplain. The facility should have a roof and walls to prevent rain from reaching the stored PCBs and an impervious floor with 15-cm (6-in.) curbing to provide a double containment volume. Stored articles or containers should be checked monthly for leaks.	Potentially applicable	Outdoor storage of articles or containers with PCB concentrations in excess of 50 ppm at the temporary storage area will be pursuant to a waiver from the EPA.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Medium	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Toxic Substances Control Act, as amended (15 USC 2607-2629; seq. PL 94-499, et seq.); Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) Manufacturing, Processing, Distribution in Commerce, and Use Prohibitions (40 CFR Part 761), Subpart D, Storage and Disposal	PCB waste	Material contaminated with PCBs >50 ppm must be incinerated or disposed of in a chemical waste landfill. Nonliquid material with >50 ppm PCBs (e.g., contaminated soil, rags, or other debris) should be disposed of by incinerating (or using an alternative treatment) or landfilling. The chemical waste landfill should be located in an area with an in-place soil thickness of 1.2 m (4 ft) or compacted thickness of 0.91 m (3 ft) and a soil permeability of $\leq 10^{-7}$ cm/s, >30% passing through a no. 200 sieve, a liquid limit >30, and a plasticity index >15; a synthetic liner can be used to achieve an equivalent permeability. The landfill should also contain a leachate collection system, which can be a simple gravity-flow drainfield, a compound system (where a double liner is present), or a suction lysimeter network. The bottom of the landfill should be $\geq$15 m (50 ft) above the historical high groundwater table, and the site should not be hydrologically connected to standing or flowing water. Structures should be in place to divert runoff from a 24-hour, 25-year storm. If located below the 100-year floodwater elevation, 0.61-m (2-ft) surface water diversion dikes should surround the landfill. The landfill should be located in an area of low to moderate relief to minimize erosion, landslides, and slumping. Surface water and the leachate collection system should be monitored (monthly during operations, then twice per year for surface water), as should groundwater.	Potentially applicable	All wastes resulting from this removal action will be temporarily stored on-site prior to disposal in an on-site disposal cell consistent with the Record of Decision issued in September 1993 for the chemical plant area. The design of this disposal cell includes provisions consistent with the requirements identified here.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Medium	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Missouri Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (10 CSR 25-13.010, Polychlorinated Biphenyls)	PCB waste	In addition to compliance with the Toxic Substances Control Act and its regulations (40 CFR Part 761), in Missouri PCB-contaminated (≥50 ppm) soils are designated as listed hazardous wastes (M009) and must be packaged, stored, transported below and disposed of as hazardous wastes, as outlined in the following citation (Missouri 10 CSR 25-4.260-268).	Potentially applicable	These requirements would be applicable to the treatment or storage of site wastes that meet the prerequisites for definition as hazardous waste PCBs (M009).
Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended (42 USC 6901 et seq.); Hazardous Wastes (40 CFR Parts 260-268); Missouri Hazardous Waste Management Regulations (10 CSR 25-4.260-268)	Hazardous waste	A solid waste must be characterized to determine if it is a hazardous waste in accordance with methods set forth in 40 CFR Part 261/10 CSR 25-4.261; it may be accumulated and stored for less than 90 days in accordance with regulations in 40 CFR Part 262/10 CSR 25-4.262; it may be stored for more than 90 days in accordance with regulations in 40 CFR Part 264/10 CSR 25-4.264; and it must be treated before land disposal in accordance with regulations in 40 CFR Part 268.	Potentially applicable	If the soils and sediments were found to contain hazardous wastes or exhibit a hazardous characteristic, the accumulation, storage, transportation and disposal would have to comply with these regulations.
Occupational Safety and Health Administration Standards; Occupational Noise Exposure (29 CFR Part 1910, 1910.95)	Noise levels in air	The permissible occupational exposure level for noise is 90 dBA (slow response) for an 8-hour day; with decreasing times of exposure, the levels increase to 115 dBA per 15-minute day.	Not an ARAR	The provisions of these standards are not ARARs because these are not environmental regulations; however, such regulations might be pertinent to protection of workers during the proposed action.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Occupational Safety and Health Administration Standards, Subpart G; Ionizing Radiation (29 CFR Part 1910, 1910.96), Subpart Z; Toxic and Hazardous Substances (29 CFR 1910.1000)	Radiation	Within a restricted area, airborne radioactive material (averaged over a 40-hour work week of seven consecutive days) should not exceed 7×10^{-11} (soluble) and 1×10^{-10} (insoluble). (For hours of exposure less than or greater than 40, the limits are proportionately increased or decreased, respectively.) The dose per calendar quarter resulting from exposure to radiation in a restricted area from sources in that area is limited to the following: Whole body, head and trunk, active blood-forming organs, lens of eye, or gonads — 1¼ Hands and forearms, feet and ankles — 18¾ Skin of whole body — 7½ The occupational exposure of an individual younger than 18 is restricted to 10% of these limits; the whole-body dose to a worker may not exceed 3 rem in a calendar quarter and, when added to the cumulative occupational dose, should not exceed 5(N-18) rem, where N is the age of the exposed individual.	Not an ARAR	These regulations are not ARARs because they are not environmental regulations; however, they might be pertinent to protection of workers during the proposed action.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Occupational Safety and Health Administration Standards, Subpart G; Ionizing Radiation (29 CFR Part 1910, 1910.96), Subpart Z; Toxic and Hazardous Substances (29 CFR 1910.1000) (Cont.)		Occupational exposure to airborne radioactive material should not exceed the following annual limits on intake (ALI) and derived air concentrations (DAC) for three retention classes (days [D], weeks [W], and years [Y]):		

		Oral Ingestion	Inhalation	
Radionuclide[a]	Class	ALI (μCi)	ALI (μCi)	DAC (μCi/mL)
Radium-226	W	2.0 (5.0)[a]	0.6	3×10^{-10}
Radium-228	W	2.0 (4.0)	1.0	5.0
Radon-220[b]	--	--	20,000	7×10^{-6}
Radon-220[c]	--	--	20	9×10^{-9}
Radon-222[b]	--	--	10,000	4×10^{-6}
Radon-222[c]	--	--	100	3×10^{-8}
Thorium-230	W	4.0 (9.0)	0.006 (0.02)	3×10^{-12}
	Y	--	0.02 (0.02)	6×10^{-12}
Thorium-232	W	0.7 (2.0)	0.001 (0.003)	5×10^{-13}
	Y	--	0.003 (0.004)	1×10^{-12}

[a] Values in parentheses are for bone surfaces.
[b] With decay products removed.
[c] With decay products present.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Occupational Safety and Health Administration Standards, Subpart G; Ionizing Radiation (29 CFR Part 1910, 1910.96), Subpart Z; Toxic and Hazardous Substances (29 CFR 1910.1000) (Cont.)		Permissible occupational exposure limits for various airborne substances have recently been revised to the following final rule limits; they may be achieved by any reasonable combination of engineering controls, work practices, and personal protective equipment.		

Parameter[a]	Limit[b] (mg/m^3)	Condition
Aluminum		Metal (as aluminum)
Total dust	15	
Respirable fraction	5	
Arsenic	0.5	Organic compounds (as arsenic)
Barium	0.5	Soluble compounds (as barium)
Beryllium	0.02	Beryllium and beryllium compounds (as beryllium): ceiling concentration, 0.05 mg/m^3; acceptable peak above the acceptable ceiling concentration for an 8-hour shift, 25 $\mu g/m^3$, maximum duration of 30 minutes.
Cadmium	0.005	All cadmium compounds, including dust and fumes.
Chromium	1	As chromium metal; limit for chromium II and III compounds, as chromium, is 0.5 mg/m^3.
Cobalt	0.1	Metal, dust, and fume (as cobalt)
Copper		
Fume	0.1	As copper
Dusts and mists	1.0	

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement			Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)						
Occupational Safety and Health Administration Standards, Subpart G; Ionizing Radiation (29 CFR Part 1910, 1910.96), Subpart Z; Toxic and Hazardous Substances (29 CFR 1910.1000) (Cont.)		Parameter	Limit[b] (mg/m^3)	Condition		
		Lead	0.05	For metallic lead and inorganic compounds, as lead.		
		Manganese compounds	5	Ceiling limit (as manganese)		
		Fume	5	Ceiling limit (as manganese)		
		Mercury	1 mg/ 10 m^3	Ceiling limit		
		Nickel	1.0	For soluble compounds, as nickel; for metallic nickel and insoluble compounds, as nickel.		
		PCBs	1.0	As chlorodiphenyl (42% chlorine)		
			0.5	As chlorodiphenyl (54% chlorine)		
		Selenium	0.2	Compounds (as selenium)		
		Uranium	0.05	For soluble compounds, as uranium; for insoluble compounds, as uranium.		
		Particulates		For particulates not otherwise regulated (i.e., nuisance dust).		
		Total dust	50			
		Respirable fraction	15			

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Occupational Safety and Health Administration Standards, Subpart G; Ionizing Radiation (29 CFR Part 1910, 1910.96), Subpart Z; Toxic and Hazardous Substances (29 CFR 1910.1000) (Cont.)				

Parameter	Limit[b] (mg/m^3)	Condition
DNB	1	For all DNB isomers[c]
2,4-DNT	1.5	For total DNT; isomer unspecified[c]
2,6-DNT	1.5	For total DNT; isomer unspecified[c]
NB	5	See footnote c
TNT	1.5	See footnote c

[a] Notation: DNB, dinitrobenzene; 2,4-DNT, 2,4-dinitrotoluene; 2,6-DNT, 2,6-dinitrotoluene; NB, nitrobenzene; TNB, trinitrobenzene; TNT, trinitrotoluene; PCBs, polychlorinated biphenyls.

[b] Permissible exposure limit (PEL) expressed as the 8-hour time-weighted average, except as noted.

[c] Skin adsorption to be reduced (e.g., with protective clothing) to limit overall exposure via the cutaneous route (airborne or direct contact).

Occupational Radiation Protection Regulations (10 CFR Part 835)	Radiation	Occupational exposure to general employees resulting from DOE activities (other than planned special exposures and emergency exposure situations) shall not exceed the following: (1) Total effective dose equivalent, 5 rem; (2) Sum of the deep dose equivalent for external exposures and the committed dose equivalent to any organ or tissue other than the lens of the eye, 50 rem; (3) Dose equivalent to the lens of the eye, 15 rem; and (4) Shallow dose equivalent to the skin or to any extremity, 50 rem.	Not an ARAR	These regulations are not ARARs because they are not environmental regulations; however, they might be pertinent to protection of workers during the proposed action.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Occupational Radiation Protection (10 CFR Part 835)	Specific radionuclides (see table) in air	The derived air concentrations (DAC) for limiting radiation exposures through inhalation by workers for three retention classes (D, W, and Y) are as follows:	Not an ARAR	These requirements are not environmental regulations; however, they might be pertinent to worker protection during the proposed action.

Radionuclide	DAC (μCi/mL) Class D	Class W	Class Y
Radium-226	-	3×10^{-10}	-
Radium-228	-	5×10^{-10}	-
Radon-222[a]	3×10^{-8}	-	-
Thorium-230	-	3×10^{-12}	7×10^{-12}
Thorium-232	-	5×10^{-12}	1×10^{-12}
Uranium-235	6×10^{-10}	3×10^{-10}	2×10^{-11}
Uranium-238	6×10^{-10}	3×10^{-10}	2×10^{-11}

[a] For radon combined with its short-lived decay products; for 100% equilibrium concentration conditions of the decay products.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Missouri Radiation Regulations; Protection against Ionizing Radiation (19 CSR 20-10.040), Maximum Permissible Exposure Limits	Radiation	Limits for occupational doses from ionizing radiation in a controlled area are as follows:	Not an ARAR	These requirements are part of an employee protection law (rather than an environmental law) with which CERCLA response actions should comply; hence, they are not subject to the ARAR process. They are indicated in this table to identify requirements for worker protection with which the remedial action would comply.

Part of Body	Maximum Dose in Any Calendar Year (rem)	Maximum Dose in Any Calendar Quarter (rem)
Whole body, head and trunk, major portion of bone marrow, gonads, or lens of eye	5	3
Hands and fore-arms, feet and ankles	75	25
Skin of large body area	30	10

Also, the whole-body dose added to the cumulative occupational dose should not exceed 5(N-18) rem, where N is the age of the exposed individual.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Missouri Radiation Regulations; Protection against Ionizing Radiation (19 CSR 20-10.050), Personnel Monitoring and Radiation Surveys	Radiation	Personnel monitoring and radiation surveys are required for each worker for whom there is any reasonable possibility of receiving a weekly dose from all radiation exceeding 50 mrem, taking into consideration the use of protective gloves and radiation-limiting devices. An exemption from routine monitoring may be granted under certain conditions.	Not an ARAR	These requirements are part of an employee protection law (rather than an environmental law) with which CERCLA response actions should comply; hence, they are not subject to the ARAR process. They are indicated in this table to identify requirements for worker protection with which the remedial action would comply.
Missouri Radiation Regulations; Protection against Ionizing Radiation (19 CSR 20-10.040), Maximum Permissible Exposure Limits	Specific radionuclides in air	The concentrations above natural background of radionuclides in air outside a controlled area, averaged over any calendar quarter, should not exceed the following limits:	Potentially applicable	These requirements would be applicable to protection of the public during implementation of the remedial action.

Isotope	Concentration Limit (μCi/mL) Soluble	Concentration Limit (μCi/mL) Insoluble
Radium-226	1×10^{-12}	6×10^{-9}
Radium-228	2×10^{-12}	1×10^{-12}
Radon-222	1×10^{-9}	NA[a]
Thorium-230	8×10^{-14}	3×10^{-13}
Thorium-232	7×10^{-14}	4×10^{-13}
Uranium-235	2×10^{-11}	4×10^{-12}
Uranium-238	3×10^{-12}	5×10^{-12}

[a] Not applicable because radon-222 is a gas.

TABLE C.1 (Cont.)

Citation	Contaminant	Requirement	Preliminary Determination	Remarks
Action-Specific ARARs (Cont.)				
Missouri Radiation Regulations; Protection against Ionizing Radiation (19 CSR 20-10.040), Maximum Permissible Exposure Limits	Specific radionuclides in air	Occupational exposure to airborne radioactive material, averaged over any calendar quarter, should not exceed the following limits:	Not an ARAR	These requirements are part of an employee protection law (rather than an environmental law) with which CERCLA response actions should comply; hence, they are not subject to the ARAR process. They are indicated in this table to identify requirements for worker protection with which the remedial action would comply.

Isotope	Concentration Limit (μCi/mL) Soluble	Concentration Limit (μCi/mL) Insoluble
Radium-226	3×10^{-11}	2×10^{-7}
Radium-228	7×10^{-11}	4×10^{-11}
Radon-222	3×10^{-8}	NA[a]
Thorium-230	2×10^{-12}	1×10^{-11}
Thorium-232	2×10^{-12}	1×10^{-11}
Uranium-235	5×10^{-10}	1×10^{-10}
Uranium-238	7×10^{-11}	1×10^{-10}

[a] Not applicable because radon-222 is a gas.