

Appendix F
Corrective Action:
Technologies and Other Alternatives

F.1 TECHNICAL CONDITIONS DETERMINING THE APPLICABILITY OF CORRECTIVE ACTION ALTERNATIVES^a

Condition	Containment	Withdrawal	Treatment	In-situ Rehabilitation	Management Options
Aquifer Type Unconfined/perched Partially confined Confined Homogeneous Nonhomogeneous	All containment measures designed to limit or halt the lateral migration of contaminants (e.g., slurry walls, sheet pile, geomembrane cutoff, clay cutoff) must be tied into a naturally occurring horizontal stratum of low permeability to be effective. Ease of construction/excavation will depend on aquifer type and geologic setting.	Effectiveness of methods depends on degree of nonhomogeneity, complexity, and in particular, hydraulic continuity of the aquifer.	Indirect. Conditions determine applicability insofar as before treatment can be applied, groundwater must be withdrawn and transported to a surface treatment unit. (see Withdrawal).	Aquifer type may be major limiting factor if not reconfined/perched and homogeneous. Effectiveness of biological and chemical degradation is dependent on ability to inject, control, and withdraw reagents, which may be difficult or impractical in nonhomogeneous aquifers. Effectiveness of natural process restoration and inter table adjustment is constrained in confined, partially confined, and nonhomogeneous aquifers.	Poses no constraint on applicability of methods.
Saturation Conditions Unsaturated zone Saturated zone	Hydraulic barriers are not applicable in unsaturated zone. Clay cutoffs are not commonly applied in saturated zone because dewatering would be required during installation. Otherwise, saturation conditions are not limiting for the use of containment methods.	Pumping and gravity drainage are not applicable in the unsaturated zone. Gas writing is not applicable in the saturated zone. Otherwise, saturation conditions are not limiting for methods.	Indirect. Conditions determine applicability insofar as before treatment can be applied, groundwater must be withdrawn and transported to a surface treatment unit. (see Withdrawal). Although removal of unsaturated zone water is not practical by pumping or gravity drainage, soil and unsaturated zone water could be excavated and treated by techniques not requiring the water to be entirely in the liquid phase (e.g., air and steam stripping, chemical and biological detoxification).	Saturation conditions are unlikely to pose major constraint on applicability of methods. Effectiveness of degradation methods may be restricted to use in the unsaturated zone (e.g., if dependent on aerobic conditions).	Poses no constraint on applicability of methods.

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Flow System Recharge Storage Discharge	Nature of flow system is important in choice of technologies. Use of methods in recharge areas may require some form of surface water control to prevent the contained area from filling and overflowing with recharge water. In discharge areas, underdrainage may be required below liners to dissipate uplift pressures.	Flow system generally poses no major technical constraints on methods. However, water-level fluctuations (e.g., due to seasonal variations) that can change the rate or direction of flow, leakage among layers in multi-layer flow system, and downward migrating flow system pose additional uncertainties.	Indirect. Condition determines applicability insofar as before treatment can be applied, groundwater must be withdrawn and transported to a surface treatment unit (see Withdrawal).	Flow system is not a major constraint. However, in recharge areas, degradation reagents may be difficult to control after injection; this is of particular concern if reagents are themselves contaminants. In discharge areas, water table adjustment is typically more difficult; natural processes may bring contaminants to surface water bodies.	Generally poses no constraint on applicability of methods. May be important for monitoring options.
Depth 0-5m up to 20m Over 20m	Depth is major limiting factor for methods, in large part arising from equipment limitations. Practical depths for material barriers will vary among individual technologies but are generally in the vicinity of 20m. While technically feasible, generally little experience has been gained at depths greater than 20m (one exception is sheet piles which appear practical to depths of 40m).	Depth poses no major technical constraints unless excavation is required (e.g., gravity drainage, excavation). Excavation costs increase rapidly at depths greater than about 5m and very rapidly greater than about 20m. Applicability of gravity drainage is limited to about 37 m.	Indirect. Condition determines applicability insofar as before treatment can be applied, groundwater must be withdrawn and transported to a surface treatment unit (see Withdrawal).	Depth is likely to constrain applicability of degradation techniques; there is limited experience with degradation below about 5m and it is not likely to be practical below 20m because of controllability problem.	Poses no constraint on applicability of methods.
Areal extent <1000 m ² up to 0.1 km ² up to 10 km ² Over 10 km ²	While areal extent in itself poses no technical limitations, the use of material barriers tends to be practically restricted to areas less than 1000m ² ; exceptions include slurry walls (up to 10 km ²) and liners (up to 0.1 km ²). Experience with other methods tends to be limited to upwards of 0.1km ² , except for natural containment which can exceed 10 km ² depending on site conditions.	While areal extent in itself poses no technical limitation, little experience has been gained with methods in areas as large as 10km ² .	Indirect. Condition determines applicability insofar as before treatment can be applied, groundwater must be withdrawn and transported to a surface unit (see Withdrawal).	Areal extent is likely to constrain applicability of all methods because of controllability factors (except natural process rehabilitation) to areas less than 10 km ² but little experience available.	Poses no technical constraint on applicability of methods but large areas (e.g., greater than 0.1 km ²) may practically restrict use.

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Volume $< 35 \text{ m}^3$ up to 1000 m^3 up to 10^6 m^3 $> 10^6 \text{ m}^3$	While volume of contaminated groundwater in itself poses no technical limitations, the use of methods is practically restricted to volumes less than 1000 m^3 because of cost considerations. Exception include slurry walls, geomembranes, and liners for which experience has been gained upwards to 10^6 m^3 . Volumes naturally contained will depend on site conditions.	While volume of contaminated groundwater in itself poses no major technical limitations, little experience has been gained with methods for volumes greater than about 10^6 m^3 . An exception is withdrawal enhancement which appears practically applicable for volumes only up to about 1000 m^3 .	Indirect. Condition determines applicability insofar as before treatment can be applied, groundwater must be withdrawn and transported to a surface treatment unit (see Withdrawal). Feasibility of methods is directly related to design flow rates rather than volumes.	While volume of contaminated groundwater in itself should pose no major technical limitations, there is little experience dealing with volumes in excess of about 1000 m^3 (except for natural process restoration). Higher volumes could lead to controllability problems.	Posea no technical constraint on applicability of methods but large volumes (e.g. , greater than 1000 m^3) may practically restrict use.

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<p>Predominant Geologic Setting</p> <p>Sedimentary Crystalline Coarse-grained Fine-grained</p>	<p>Geology is major limiting factor if rocks are sedimentary OR crystalline. The presence of rocks, boulders, etc., poses difficult excavation @Area for most methods (exceptions include hydraulic barriers and grouting, the latter also being dependent on fracture ad/or adsorptive characteristics of the rock). Coarse-grained materials generally pose no limitations, except for natural containment. Fine-grained materials restrict use of grouting, hydraulic barriers, and sheet piling.</p>	<p>Geology is a major limiting factor for certain methods. In general, areas of high transmissivity may render withdrawal options impractical due to high fluid handling requirements. (i) only gravity drainage and gas Writing are generally unconstrained by the presence of sedimentary or crystalline rock; applicability of other methods depends on nature of fracture system and other features of the geologic formation. Excavation is not generally applicable in sedimentary or crystalline rock. (ii) Coarse-grained materials generally pose no limitations except for withdrawal enhancement, which depends on features of the geologic formation. (iii) Unconsolidated, fine-grained materials of low permeability restrict effectiveness of pumping and gravity drainage; only excavation can proceed without major constraint in fine-grained materials.</p>	<p>Indirect. Condition determines applicability depend on site conditions. Fine-grained insofar as before treatment can be applied, areas of poor drainage or heterogeneity may groundwater must be withdrawn and transported to a surface treatment unit between reagents and contaminated materials. (see Withdrawal).</p>	<p>Effectiveness of methods in general will be constrained by materials which constrain flow control and methods. Non-homogeneous areas may not allow for sufficient contact</p>	<p>Pposes no constraint on applicability of methods.</p>

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Climate					
Air temperature	Methods requiring construction/excavation cannot be performed efficiently during periods when the ground is frozen.	Under frozen conditions, pumping and gravity drainage require special surface handling procedures for fluids in certain cases* Excavation is often not practical.	All treatment facilities must be protected (i.e., heated) in temperatures below freezing. In addition, low temperatures (e.g., 0°-20°C) seriously impair air and steam stripping (volatility reduced) and biological transformations (rate reduced) if water is also allowed to decrease in temperature.	Temperatures below freezing require special handling procedures for injectants and for the protection of piping; water table adjustment may be feasible, depending on site conditions. Low temperatures reduce rates of chemical and biological transformation.	Poses no constraint on applicability of methods.
Below freezing					
0° to 20°C					
Above 20°C					
Rainfall					
Evapotranspiration greater than precipitation	Methods requiring construction and/or excavation require surface water controls if precipitation exceeds evapotranspiration. Run-on and runoff controls and surface seals are essential for slurry wall.	Rainfall is generally not a major limiting factor for methods. Excavation may require surface water controls if precipitation exceeds evapotranspiration.	Indirect. Condition determines applicability insofar as before treatment can be applied, groundwater must be withdrawn and transported to a surface treatment unit (see Withdrawal).	Rainfall is probably not a constraint in general but could be depending on site conditions. Applicability of natural rehabilitation may be limited if natural recharge is limited.	Poses no constraint on applicability of methods.
Precipitation greater than evapotranspiration					
special Construction Considerations	Emplacement of barriers (e.g., membranes and liners) has risks associated with barrier damage during handling and installation. Specially designed equipment is needed for slurry wall construction using a vibrating beam. There is difficulty in obtaining water-tight interlocks with sheet piling.	Specially designed equipment and materials are required for withdrawal enhancement.	Equipment size is determined by flow rate and nature and amount of contaminants to be removed. Sophisticated controls are required for ultrafiltration. Semi-permanent equipment is required for air and steam stripping.	Means to inject reagents into the soil is required.	Construction considerations vary depending on such factors as availability of alternative sources of water, availability of transportation/distribution/delivery system, and nature of the source of contamination.

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Contaminant Type and Castration	Contaminant category poses major constraint on applicability of some methods. Contaminant-specific evaluations will be required to assure compatibility of contaminant high concentrations) and physical barrier materials. Aromatassociated factors that to address specific con- hydrocarbons and other volatiles (e.g., volatile affect partitioning of contaminants between thGenerally, if contaminant concentration, the type of contaminant may not be critical. Hydrodynamic controls & not depend on contaminant type assuming no contact is made. The handling and disposal of excavated materials could influence the use of this Option.	Limitations posed by oContaminant category vary among specific methods. applicability of methods generally applicable to organics. applicability of Geochemistry and other ~ any method tends iveasof hinter table adjustment and namethods. Applicat	Contaminant category Limitations posed contaminant categoryGenerally poses no constraint 00 vary among specific methods. All methodconstraint 00 applicability of methods generally applicable to organics. applicability of methods. Applicat	Contaminant category Limitations posed contaminant categoryGenerally poses no constraint 00 vary among specific methods. All methodconstraint 00 applicability of methods generally applicable to organics. applicability of methods. Applicat	Contaminant category Limitations posed contaminant categoryGenerally poses no constraint 00 vary among specific methods. All methodconstraint 00 applicability of methods generally applicable to organics. applicability of methods. Applicat

Based on Woodward-Clyde Consultants, Inc. , 1983.

Conversion factors:
.308 x feet to obtain meters (m)
4047 x acres to obtain square meters (m²)
2.590 X square miles to obtain square kilometers (km²)
.02a x cubic feet to obtain cubic meters ()

Source: Office of TechnologyAssessment .

F.2 NON-TECHNICAL CONDITIONS DETERMINING THE APPLICABILITY OF CORRECTIVE ACTION ALTERNATIVES^a

<u>Condition</u>	<u>Containment</u>	<u>Withdrawal</u>	<u>Treatment</u>	<u>In-situ Rehabilitation</u>	<u>Management Options</u>
Environmental/social side-effects	Major potential side-effects are associated with the continued presence and possible leakage of contaminants. Changes to groundwater flow patterns could also have disruptive effects on the environment and other users. Surface disturbances would be caused by methods requiring construction. Noise, air pollution, traffic, etc., may occur during construction/operation. In some cases, effects associated with disposal of excavated materials may be significant.	The purpose of withdrawal is to reduce contaminant concentrations in the subsurface but there could be major potential side-effects associated with the surface disposal of withdrawn contaminants (or treated residuals). Additional impacts possible from pumping and gravity drainage are related to alteration of groundwater flow patterns (e.g., lowering of the water table and saltwater intrusion). Noise, air pollution, traffic, etc., may occur during construction/operation.	Possible side-effects are related to the transferral of contaminants to the atmosphere. Disposal of treatment byproducts (including solutions from regeneration) could also have adverse effects depending on disposal methods chosen.	Major side-effects are associated with the potential for reactions between reagents used in degradation methods and the hydrogeologic environment (e.g., resulting in contaminant residues). For water table adjustment, side-effects may result from both raising the water table (e.g., flooding of sewers, leach fields, or basements) and lowering the water table (e.g., see flow alterations and effects on wells). Natural processes are slow, and the risk exists that contamination will spread further.	Major potential environmental and social side-effects include disruption of normal use patterns, disruption of economic activity, public concern, continued presence of and potential spreading of contaminants, and health risks (e.g., if contaminants are not removed and/or treated). Possible environmental and social disruption accompany source removal.
Labor considerations	The construction/installation of material barriers tends to require skilled professionals; operational requirements are minimal (and would relate to performance monitoring). Other methods require minimal labor, and skill requirements are variable. Only hydrodynamic barriers in this category generally have labor requirements during operation that are in addition to non-labor intensive monitoring and supervision.	Methods are generally labor-intensive and require skilled professionals during construction/installation; operational requirements tend to be non-labor intensive but still require skilled professionals.	Methods are generally labor-intensive and require skilled professionals during construction/installation. Operational requirements are generally non-labor intensive, but skilled professionals are still required. One exception is biological detoxification which has labor-intensive operational requirements.	Degradation methods are generally non-labor intensive but specially trained technical personnel are required for construction/installation. Water table adjustment is labor intensive in its construction/installation but non-labor intensive in its operation; skilled personnel are required.	Labor requirements vary by method. Methods are generally non-labor intensive during construction/installation; skilled personnel are often not essential. Operational requirements are often minimal.

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Safety considerations for workers	Processes requiring the removal of contaminated material (e.g., construction activities) require special handling and safety precautions.	Drilling activities produce contaminated materials and require special handling precautions. The handling of contaminated excavated materials poses a serious limitation on the use of excavation. Labor requirements generally increase as the dangers posed by contaminants increase.	Exposure to contaminants can result from residuals handling, volatilization, and other factors. For example, in air stripping, volatiles could be introduced into the atmosphere.	Safety considerations could be significant if the handling of materials that are potentially reactive is required.	Safety considerations vary among options. For example, they could be important for monitoring activities. Concern about workers is usually overshadowed by concern to protect the public more generally.
Time requirements	unforeseen geotechnical conditions, complex hydrogeology, and extent of contamination are major factors in determining time for construction/installation. Time for design is generally less than two months (grouting and hydraulic barriers may require upwards of six months). Time for construction is generally two to six months for barrier methods and under two months for other methods. There are minimal time requirements during operation.	Hydrogeology and extent and nature of contamination are major factors. Time for design and construction/installation are each typically less than six months. Excavation may take as long as one year depending on areal extent and depth of excavation and existence of structures, e.g., utilities. operation of pumping may take many years, depending on the extent of contamination, hydrogeology, and degree of cleanup to be achieved.	Time for design is typically less than six months. Time for construction/installation is typically less than six months. Design and vendor delivery are @or time considerations. Time requirements for operating the system depend on contaminant types, concentration levels, and performance goals.	Degradation methods are possible either to design or construct/install within about one month if contaminants are familiar; otherwise, time requirements could be longer. Water table adjustment design and construction/installation are each on the order of six months, but maintenance of the system over the long-term is required.	Time requirements vary by option; they are generally less than six months each for design and construction/installation. Long lead times may be required in some cases, e.g., for developing alternative supplies and implementing health advisories. Termination/limitation of aquifer use and purchase of alternative supplies are often used for a rapid emergency response. Institutional considerations could constrain timely implementation of many methods.

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Cost considerations	Principal factors determining costs include depth to ground-water contamination, areal extent of contamination to be contained, geotechnical conditions, and type of contaminants. Containment methods are generally capital intensive during construction/installation; operational costs are generally minimal except for natural containment (e.g., analysis) and hydraulic barrier options. Replacement costs are likely to be incurred. The cost of maintaining surface seals used in conjunction with slurry walls is significant.	Principal factors determining costs include depth to ground-water contamination, volume of contaminated groundwater to be pumped, geotechnical conditions, availability of disposal and/or treatment facilities, and hydrogeology. Generally, these methods are capital intensive during construction/installation. System components may need to be selectively replaced depending on length of time of system operation; otherwise, operational costs are generally minimal.	Principal factors determining costs include flow rates and system capacity, concentration and types of contaminants, and plant design. Costs are highly variable among treatment options; the most costly methods include reverse osmosis, ion exchange, and electrodialysis. Home treatment units (at point-of-end use) are also costly.	Principal factors determining costs include: the size of sites and type and concentration of contaminants for degradation methods, and the extent of the system and duration of operation for water table adjustment.	Costs vary among options; they could include components related to enforcement, providing public information, and emergency responses.
Performance vis-a-vis the continued presence of contaminants	Containment results in the continued presence of contaminants in the subsurface with the potential for further migration (e.g., via leakage).	Withdrawal per se results in the continued presence of contaminants which are transferred to other environmental media; however, withdrawal methods are typically used in conjunction with treatment.	Treatment has the potential to result in the continued presence of contaminants through their possible transfer to other environmental media (e.g., air); additional contaminants may also be introduced (e.g., treatment byproducts). Removal efficiencies of methods are variable.	These methods result in the presence of transformed contaminants in the subsurface together with (spent) transformation agents.	These methods often result in the continued presence of contaminants in the subsurface with the potential for further migration.

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Design life and operational requirements	Design life of material barrier containment systems is finite but as yet unknown. Long records of experience are generally lacking but design life tends to be 20-40 years for applications not involving contaminants. Replacement may be eventually required unless barriers are coupled with withdrawal/treatment. Hydro-C techniques must operate perpetually to isolate contaminants, requiring periodic well/pump replacement. Techniques for managing surface runoff can require more frequent maintenance than underground structures.	only excavation is permanent. Design life of other methods will vary and a continuous maintenance/replacement schedule would be required. Fluid withdrawal methods could have long operation and maintenance periods (e.g., for highly attenuated contaminants).	Typically, design life is 15-30 years for equipment other than membranes (which is less than 5 years). Exceptions include filtration and ion exchange which have a design life of 15 years but which also require more frequent filter regeneration. These units are prone to bacterial growth and require careful maintenance. Data are not available to evaluate ultrafiltration since this method has been operational only about 4-8 years. In general, replacement will be required at the end of design life if contaminants remain.	Design life is not typically a limitation. (use of machinery or semi-permanent construction materials are not generally required.)	Design life is not always a limitation. Exceptions include purchasing of alternative supplies and point-of-use treatment which both tend to be short-term (less than 5 years). In addition, the performance of point-of-use treatment units has been known to shift dramatically over time. Developing alternative supplies may have a design life upwards of 50 years. The design life of municipal treatment facilities is generally on the order of 20-30 years.
Institutional considerations	Institutional considerations include the ease of land access and the presence of facilities and structures at the construction site.	Water quality issues may restrict the use of pumping. Other considerations include the availability of disposal alternatives for withdrawn contaminants and the ease of land access.	A major consideration involves the availability of alternatives for the disposal of treatment residues.	Regulatory approval may be required for the injection of degradation reagents.	A wide range of institutional considerations may arise depending on the option and includes enforcement, competing uses, access to alternative supplies (e.g., purchasing alternative supplies), and public acceptance.

^a Based on Woodward-Clyde Consultants, Inc., 1983.

Source: Office of Technology Assessment.

F.3 APPLICATION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION ALTERNATIVES TO SOURCES

<u>Source Category</u>	<u>Containment</u>	<u>Withdrawal</u>	<u>Treatment</u>	<u>In-situ Rehabilitation</u>	<u>Management Options</u>
<u>Category I</u> (Designed to discharge)					
	Most containment methods ^a are generally applicable to all Category I sources except injection wells because of their depth. Only natural containment appears applicable to injection wells.	All withdrawal methods are applicable to almost all Category I sources. The exception is injection wells which are typically too deep for gravity drainage, gas venting, or excavation methods; in practice, mechanical integrity testing and annular pressure tests are used to detect problems from injection wells in lieu of corrective actions.	N.R. ^b	While all in-situ rehabilitation methods are generally applicable to most Category I sources, site-specific factors (e. g., geology, hydrology, and contaminants) must be evaluated to determine method feasibility. One exception may be injection wells which are typically too deep for degradation methods.	Most management options ^c are generally applicable to all Category I sources. In practice, corrective actions are generally limited to management options for sub-surface percolation.
<u>Category II</u> (Designed to swine, treat, and/or dispose)					
	Most containment methods ^a are generally applicable to all Category II sources. Contaminant-specific evaluations are typically required to assure compatibility of radionuclides and any material barrier.	All withdrawal methods are generally applicable to all Category II sources. Withdrawal enhancement is not generally applicable to radioactive disposal sites.	N.R. ^b	Applicability of in-situ rehabilitation methods to most Category II sources depends on site-specific factors. In particular, tendency for methods to be contaminant-specific may limit use for multiple-contaminant situations. In addition, in-situ rehabilitation methods would generally be inapplicable to radioactive wastes; natural restoration would be inapplicable to sources containing some type of hazardous wastes; and degradation would be inapplicable to dredging conditions.	Most management options ^c are generally applicable to all Category II sources.

<u>Source Category</u>	<u>Containment</u>	<u>Withdrawal</u>	<u>Treatment</u>	<u>In-situ Rehabilitation</u>	<u>Management Options</u>
<u>Category III</u> (Designed to transport or transmit)					
Most containment methods ^a are generally applicable to all Category III sources.		All withdrawal methods are generally applicable to all Category III sources.	N.R. ^b	Degradation methods are generally applicable to Category III sources, especially if the contaminants involved are petroleum-based. In other cases, site-specific factors must be evaluated to determine feasibility of in-situ rehabilitation methods.	Most management options ^c are generally applicable to all Category III sources.
<u>Category IV</u> (Discharge as a consequence of other activities)					
Most containment methods ^a are technically applicable to all Category IV sources. However, experience to date is limited in terms of the areal extent and volumes handled; these factors could effectively preclude methods from addressing some Category IV sources.		All withdrawal methods are technically applicable to almost all Category IV sources. Exceptions include deicing salts application, which is not amenable to withdrawal enhancement methods, and mining and mine drainage which, if the mine is too deep, will not be amenable to gravity drainage or excavation. Volumes and areal extent could effectively preclude some of these methods, however, for practical reasons.	N.R. ^b	While in-situ rehabilitation methods are generally applicable to most Category IV sources, site-specific factors must be evaluated to determine feasibility. Degradation methods, however, are typically not used for deicing salts.	Most management options ^c are generally applicable to all Category IV sources. Due to the dispersed nature of contaminating activities, and with the high volumes and large areal extent of groundwater affected, corrective actions may be limited to management options in practice.

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<u>Category V</u> (Provide conduit or induce discharge via altered flow patterns)					
	The applicability of most containment methods ^a to most category v sources depends on well depth. For example, oil wells, geothermal wells, enhanced recovery wells, and solution mining are @ally too deep for any of these methods. Only natural containment would not generally be restricted by depth; limited experience is available using hydraulic barriers for these deep sources. In general, application of any corrective action alternative to Category v sources depends on mechanical condition of wells. Most methods are applicable to construction excavation.	The applicability of some withdrawal methods (e. g., gravity drainage, excavation, and gas venting) to most Category v sources depends on well depth. For example, oil wells, geothermal wells, enhanced recovery wells, and solution mining are typically too deep for these methods. Withdrawal enhancement is not applicable to geothermal or water supply wells. Only pumping is generally unconstrained in its application to Category v sources. All methods are applicable to construction excavation.	N.R. ^b	The applicability of different in-situ rehabilitation methods varies by source. Site-specific factors must be evaluated to determine the feasibility of natural process restoration. With respect to degradation methods, oil wells and enhanced recovery wells are typically too deep, and geothermal wells have an unfavorable temperature (high) and chemical makeup (brine). Lowering of the water table may be inappropriate for water supply wells.	Most management options ^c are generally applicable to all Category v sources.
<u>Category VI</u> (Naturally-occurring)					
	Most methods ^a are generally applicable to all Category VI sources.	Most methods generally are applicable to all Category VI sources. Constraining factors include depth of the source and areal extent and volume of groundwater affected.	N.R. ^b	Water table adjustment is likely to be applicable to all Category VI sources. Natural process restoration is unlikely to be applicable. Degradation methods are typically not used for asks.	Most ~ * options ^c are generally applicable to all category VI sources.

^a Neither sheet piles nor cement grout cutoffs have generally performed well in practice for these sources. Performance of all methods involving material barriers are dependent on compatibility with contaminants present and geologic conditions.

^b The source, per se, or contamination is generally not relevant to the choice of treatment technologies except insofar as it indicates which specific contaminants may be present, contaminant concentration, or the degree of contaminant removal desired.

^c Source substitution or source removal may not be economically feasible or politically viable for some sources in this category.

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