#### HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT AT THE OKLAHOMA CITY AIR LOGISTICS CENTER INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY

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- Application to Risk Assessment
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### TINKER AFB, OKLAHOMA Introduction



- Tinker AFB covers 5,031 acres
  - Only 200 acres are undeveloped
- 765 Facilities
  - 15.3M feet of industrial operations
- Three Creek Systems
- 700-plus Air Emission Sources
- 200 Underground Storage Tanks
- 11-Miles Industrial Wastewater Lines
- Three Wastewater Treatment Plants
- 36 Restoration Sites
- Provides Logistics Support to USAF Weapon Systems
  - B-1, B-52, E-3 Sentry, C/KC-135 aircraft







### TINKER AFB, OKLAHOMA Introduction [CONTD]



- Tinker AFB performs Depot Level Maintenance
- Process Assessment identified four Primary Processes
  - Depainting, Painting, Electroplating & Cleaning
  - Majority of processes discharge to an on-base treatment facility
- Regulatory Requirement to quantify Air Emissions from Industrial Wastewater Treatment Facility [IWTF]
  - Toxic Release Inventory and Air Emission Inventory
  - Clean Air Act Title V permit requires source & emission information
  - POTW NESHAP requirement
- Efforts focus on Methylene Chloride and Phenol
  - Both are CAA Title III Listed Hazardous Air Pollutants [HAPs]
  - VOC and semi-VOC examples
  - These chemicals account for majority of purchases / releases





**Project Overview** 

- Investigation will be presented in four Major Tasks
- Coupling of Emission and Dispersion Models represents a Cost-Effective and Environmentally-Responsible Approach
  - Coupling refers to sequential use of models [output is input]
  - Meet impact predictions, regulatory reporting requirements, and pollution prevention needs
  - Estimate emissions from IWTP process units
    - > WATER8 air emission model developed by EPA
  - Estimate atmospheric dispersion concentrations
    - ➤ ISC-ST3 air dispersion model designed by EPA
  - Validate predictive accuracy of the coupled model
    - Comparison of coupled model predictions to field data
    - Comparison of coupled model predictions to OP-FTIR data
  - Demonstrate potential applications to include Risk Assessment

Coupled Model





Uniqueness of Investigation

- Distinctive Elements of Investigation
  - Combined use of WATER8 and ISC-ST3
  - Literature directed to specific applications
  - Coupled model compared to MAAC
  - Literature limited to single emission sources
  - Literature focused at municipal wastewater treatment
  - Detail and size of periodic canister data
  - Investigation of three remote optical paths
  - Multiple retroreflectors along optical path
  - Evaluation of chemical depainting agents
  - Coupled model used in risk assessment
  - Completeness and comparative analysis



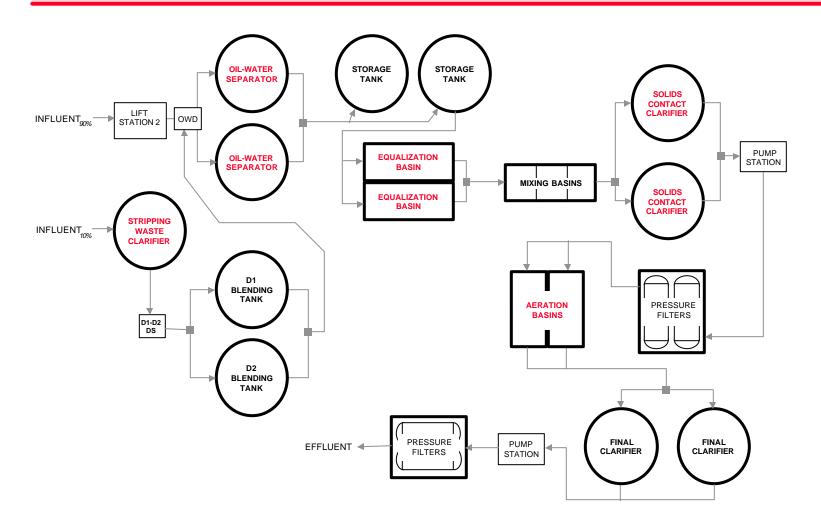




### **IWTP PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM**



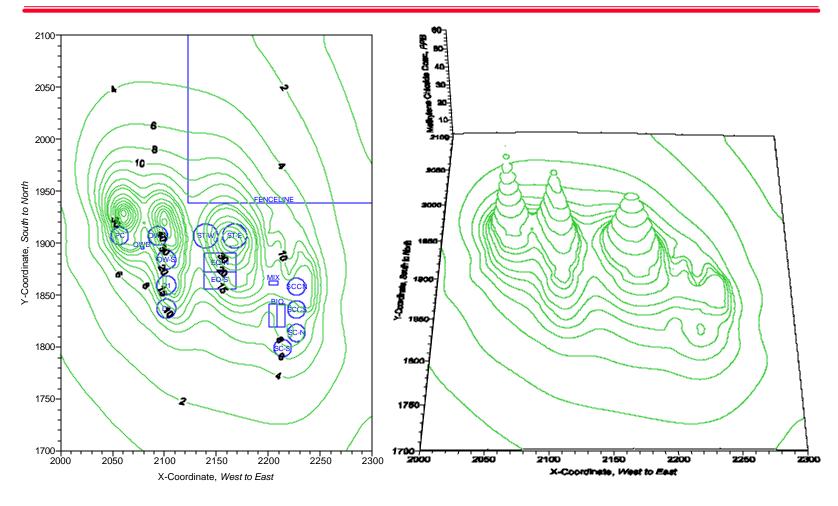
Primary, Secondary, & Tertiary Treatment





## COUPLED MODEL OUTPUT Maximum Methylene Chloride Concentrations, PPB

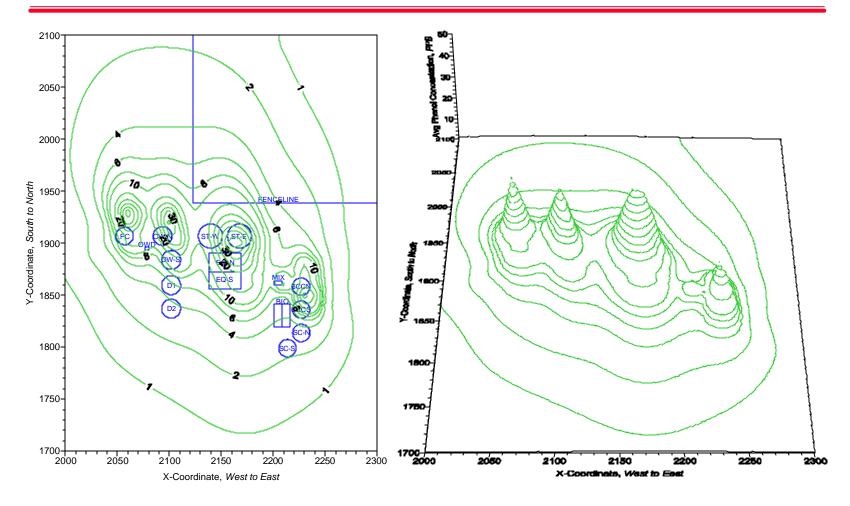






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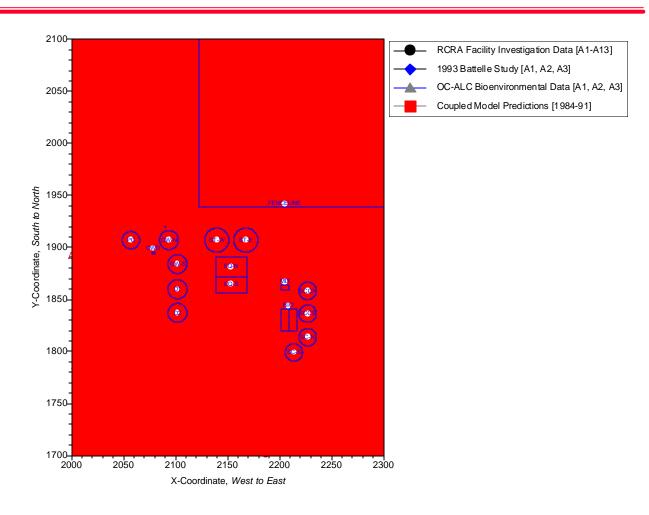








#### Location of Periodic Canister Data







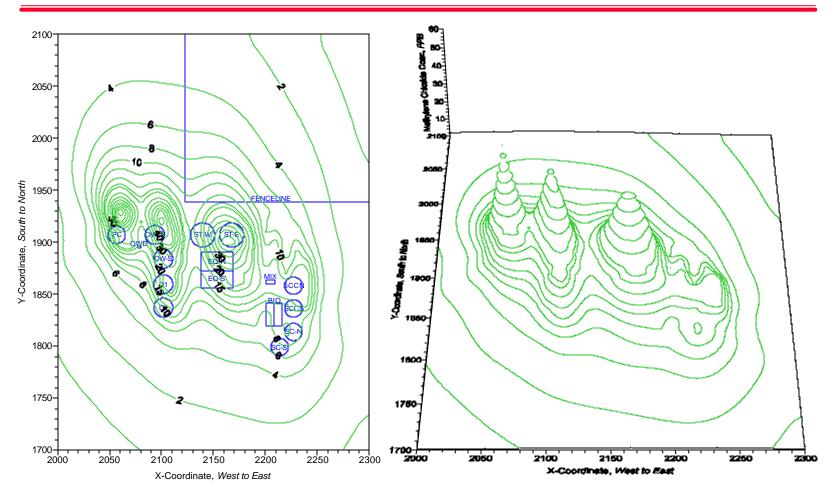
Methylene Chloride and Phenol Exposures

- Task 4 involves Demonstration of Potential Uses of Coupled Model by conducting a Risk Assessment of Impact Region
  - Computations will use coupled model concentration predictions in risk assessment tasking
  - Efforts are focused on housing community & IWTP personnel
  - Efforts will attempt to quantify risks to target population groups
    - Determine equivalent human dose [based on IRIS program]
    - Maximum chemical dose for individuals in target population
    - ➤ Maximum risk for individuals in target population
    - Excess number of cases of cancer in focus group
    - Average number of cancer cases generated per year
    - Loss of life expectancy for target population
    - Comparisons to 1993 ATSDR Study & 1996 Statistical Review



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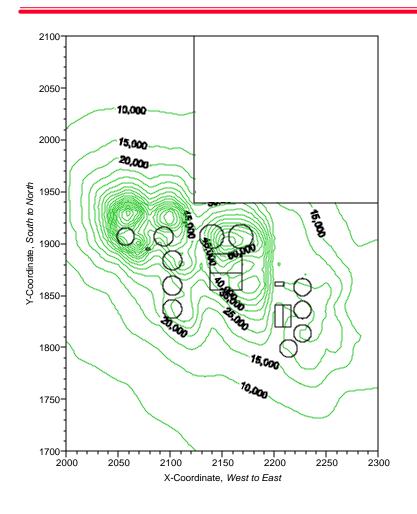


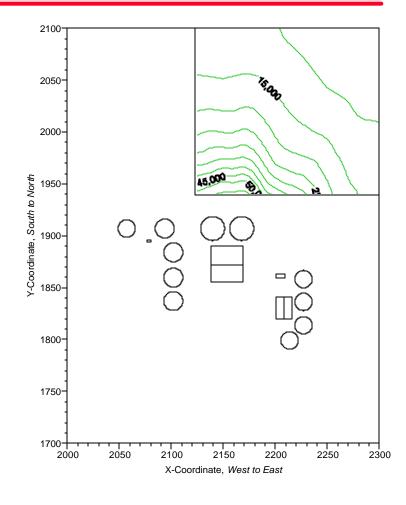




### RISK ASSESSMENT OUTPUT Equivalent Human Dose for Methylene Chloride Exposures



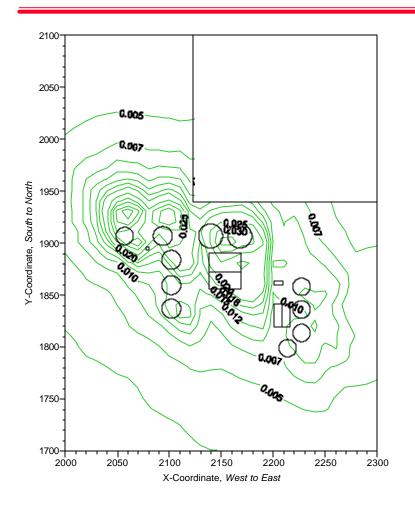


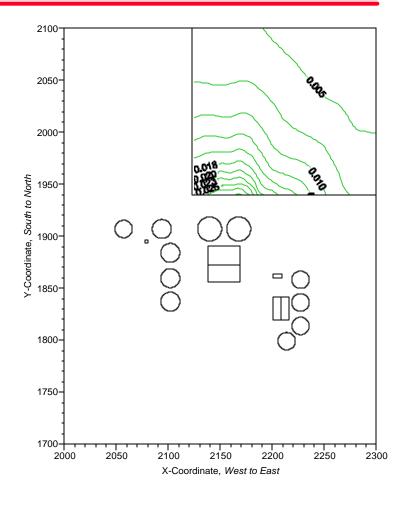




### RISK ASSESSMENT OUTPUT Maximum Individual Risk for Methylene Chloride Exposures



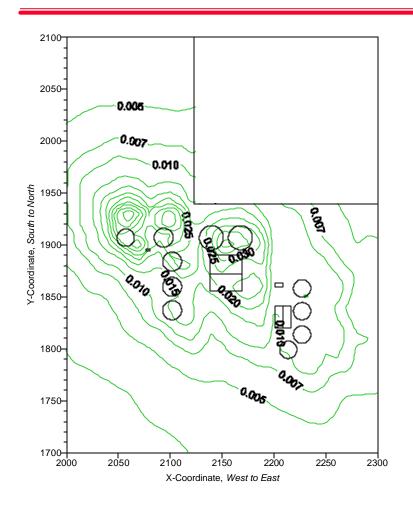


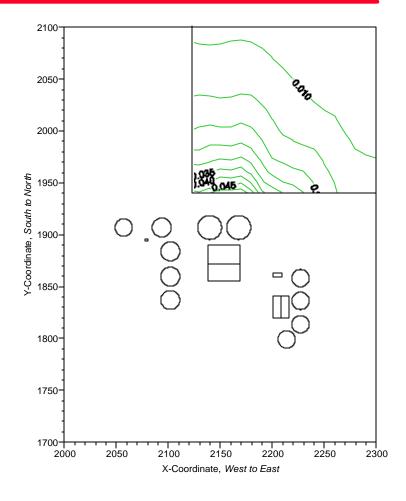






#### Excess Cancer Cases for Methylene Chloride Exposures

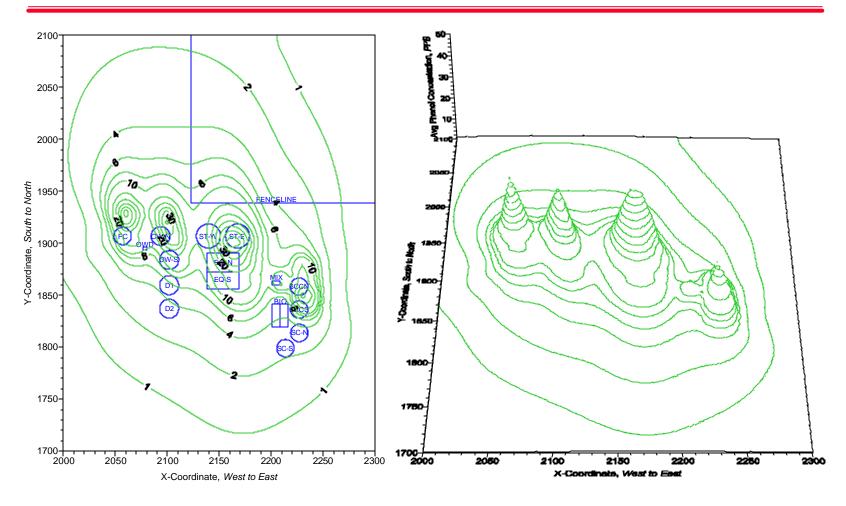






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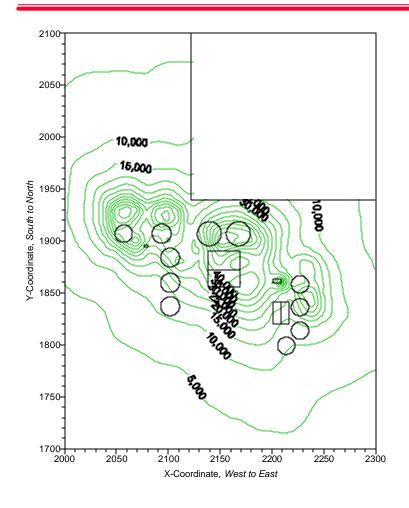


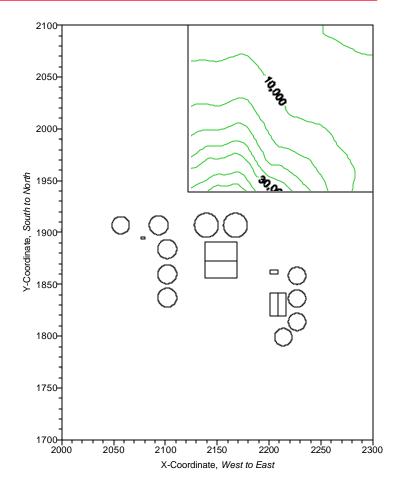






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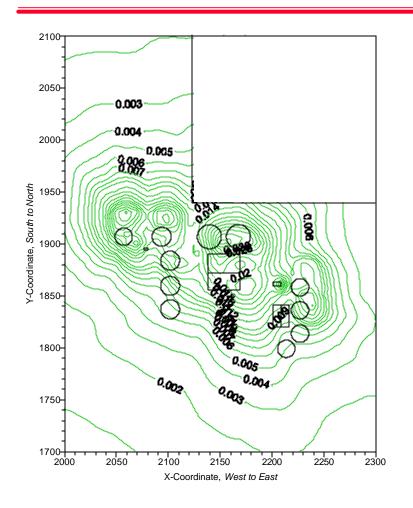


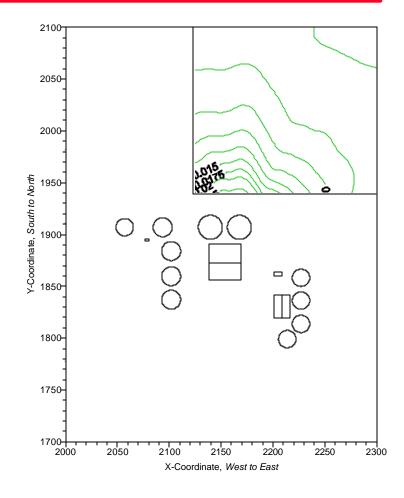






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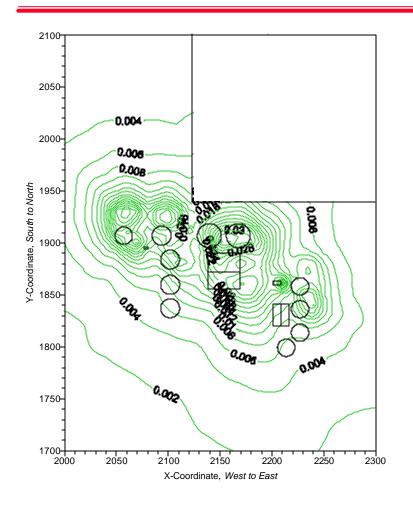


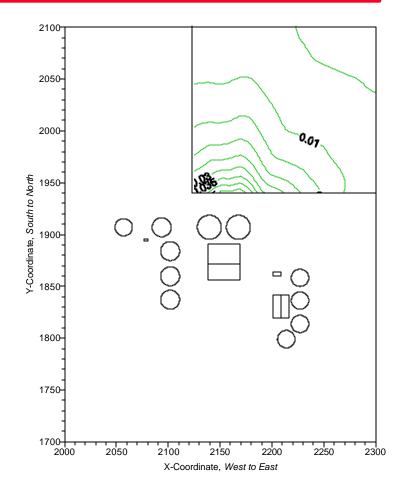






#### **Excess Cancer Cases for Phenol Exposures**









- **Summary & Conclusions**
- Coupled Model can be used to conduct Risk Assessment
- Inhalation Exposures well under LOAEL concentrations
- Cancer Cases well under County & State Averages
  - Average 16 and 19 per year, respectively
- Loss of Life Expectancy matter of hours
  - Smoking shortens life by 6.2 years
- Neither Chemicals pose Health Risk to Population Groups
  - Chemicals have been replaced with EA chemical strippers
  - Incorporated operational changes to minimize exposures
- Supported by two ATSDR Investigations in 1993 & 1996
- Expecting Similar Study at Oklahoma State University
  - Using better models and canister data

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