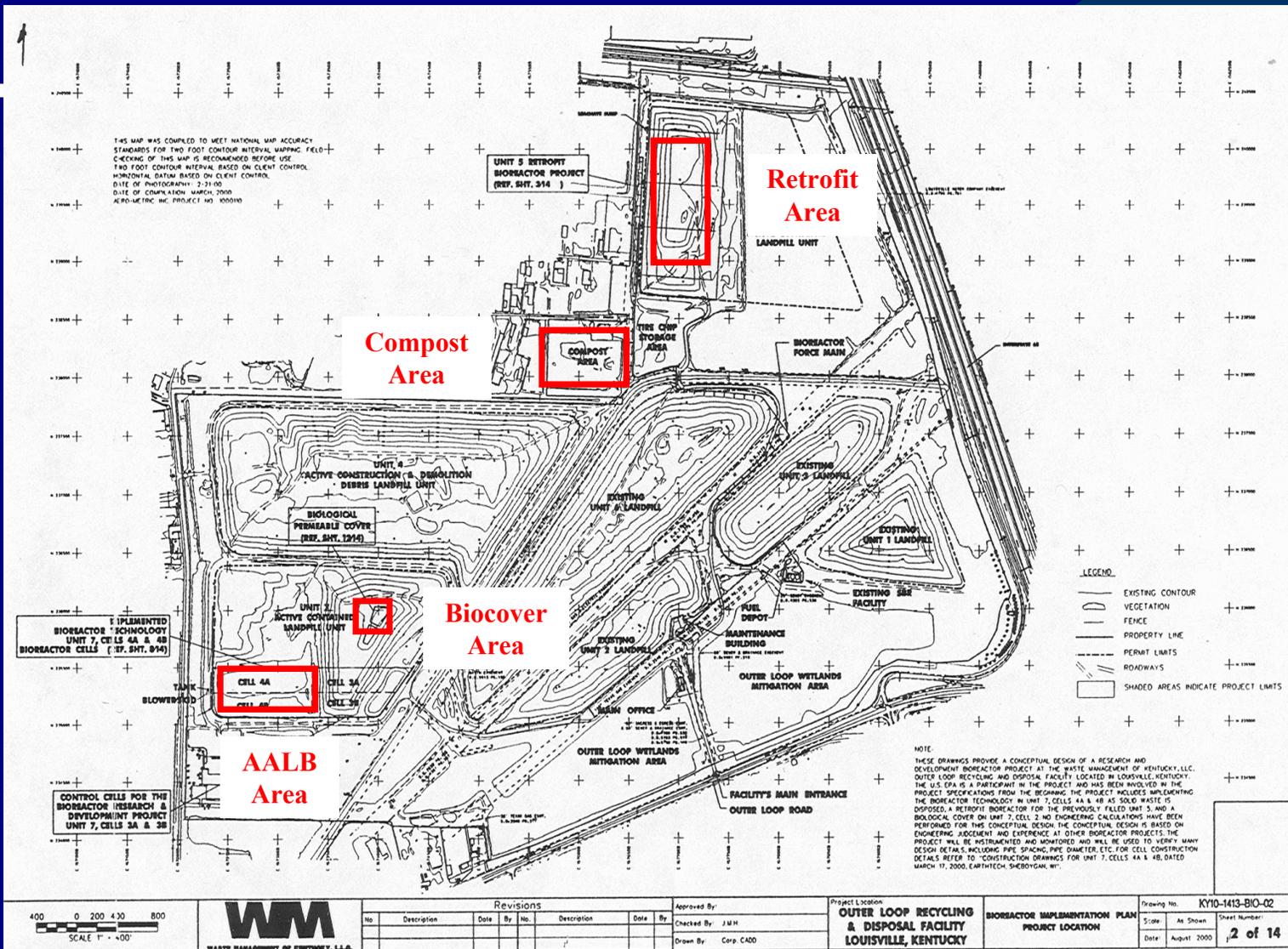
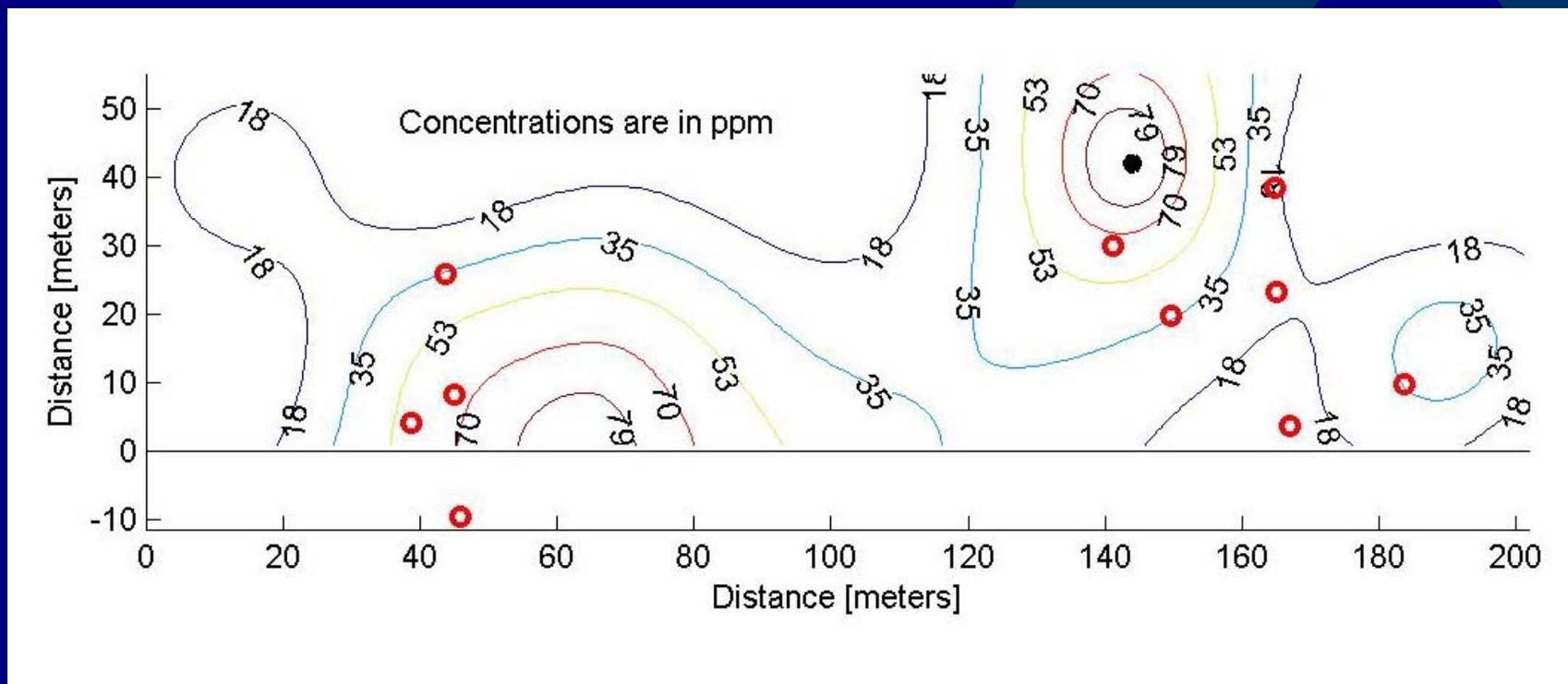


US EPA ARCHIVE DOCUMENT

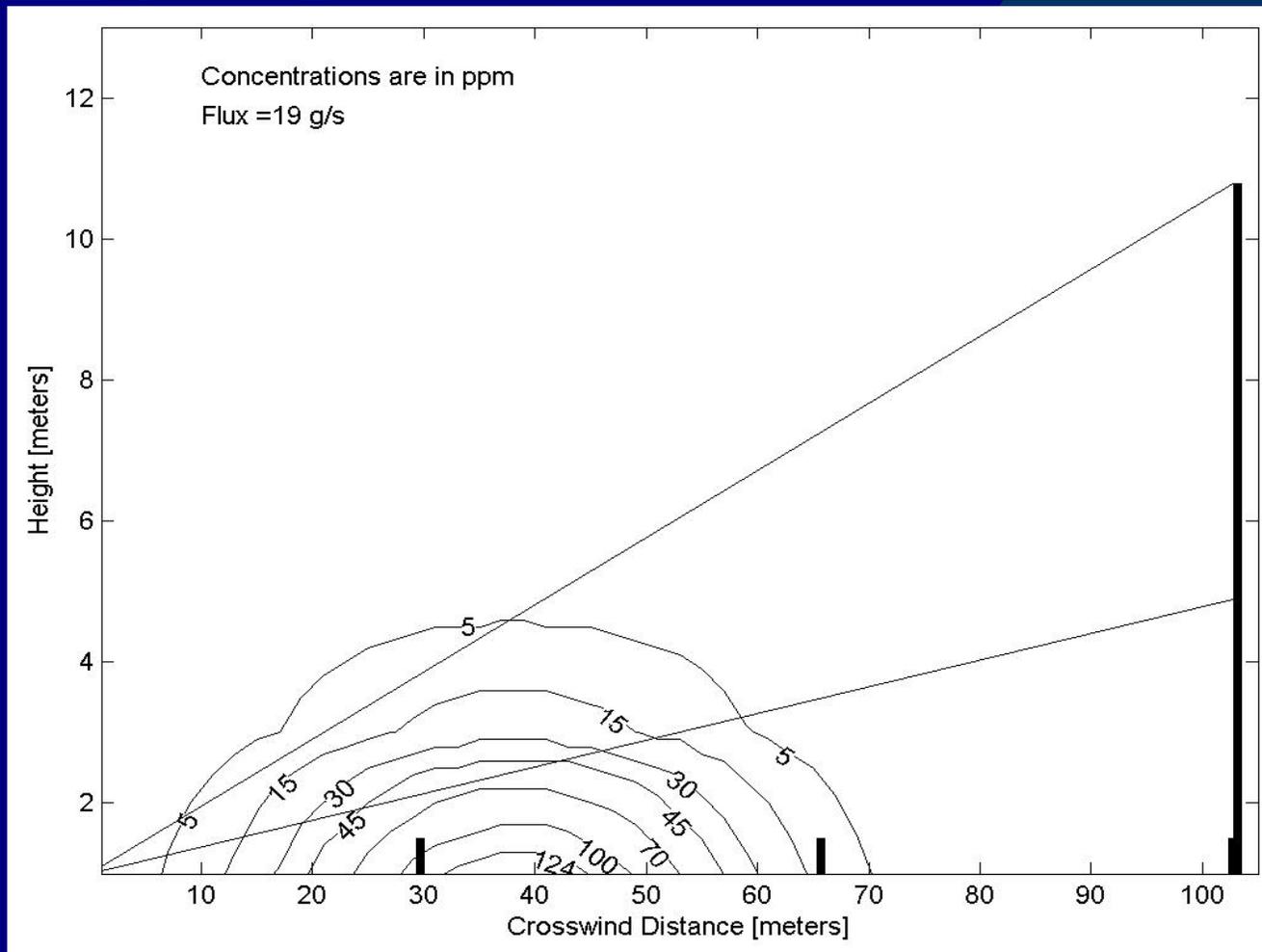
Plot Plan of Bioreactor Field Test



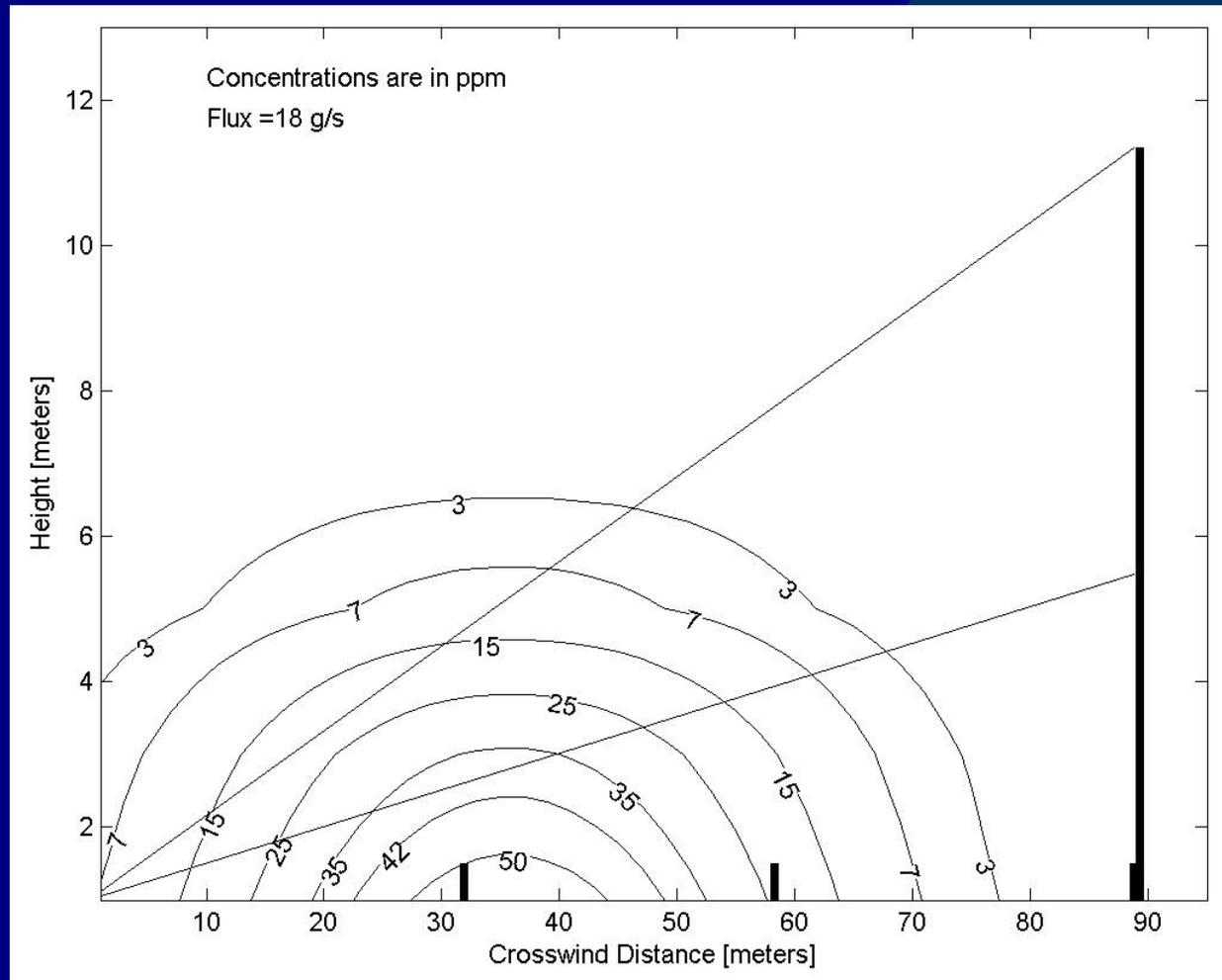
Preliminary Results for Radial Scanning – Methane Concentrations for Unit 5



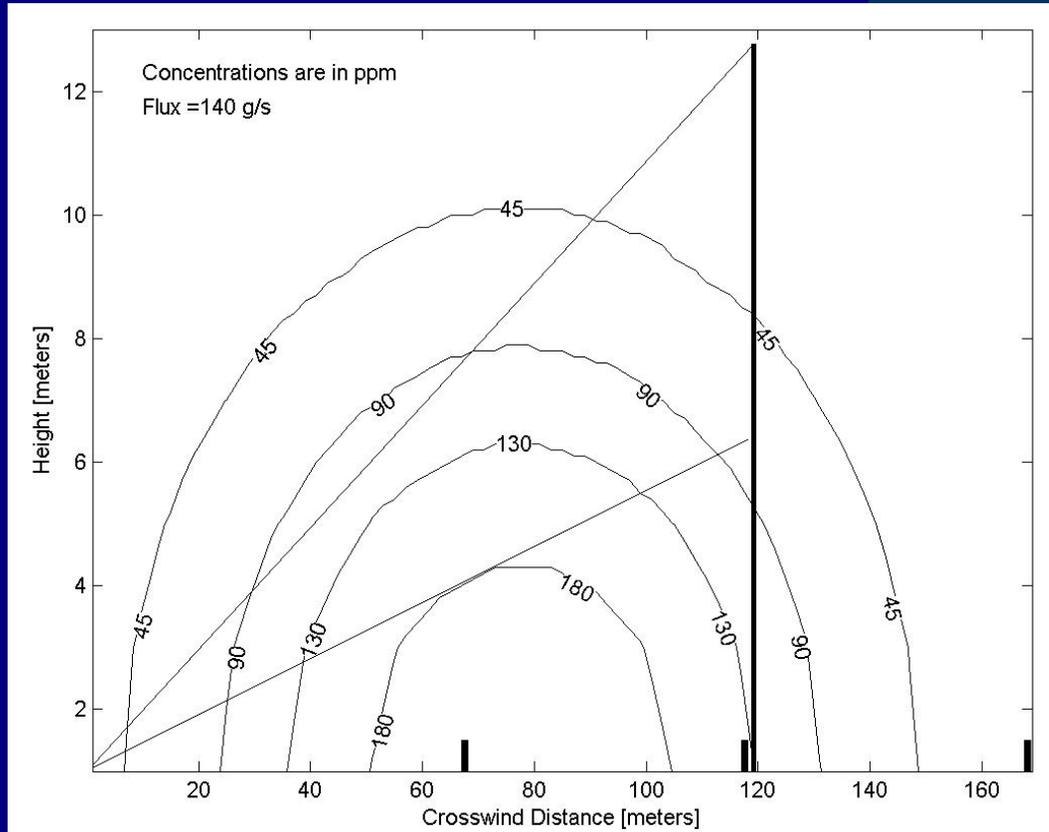
Preliminary Results of Vertical Scan of North Side of Unit 5 – Methane Flux



Preliminary Results of Vertical Scan of South Side of Unit 5 – Methane Flux



Preliminary Results from OP-FTIR Measurements on South Side of Active Site - Methane Flux



Update to EPA's Landfill Gas Emission Factors (AP 42)

- ◆ Plans to have update by Spring 2004; will include emission factors for bioreactor operations in addition to updated data for conventional landfilling operations for
 - » Use in State emission inventories and obtaining air permits
 - » Use in MSW Decision Support Tool (includes conventional and bioreactor landfills)
- ◆ Results will also be used in evaluating residual risk for landfills as specified in CAA Section 112 (f)

Update to EPA's Municipal Solid Waste Decision Support Tool

- ◆ Municipal Solid Waste Decision Support Tool (MSW DST) provides holistic approach to evaluation of solid waste management
 - » Evaluates life-cycle environmental tradeoffs (multi-media, multi-pollutant) including potential benefits of recycling and energy recovery
 - » Includes analysis for all waste management processes – collection, transportation, recycling, composting, combustion, landfilling
 - » Includes capability for evaluating full costs of existing program and options to minimize costs and/or environmental burdens
 - » Helps communities to evaluate new technologies and have basis of comparing them to existing technologies in use
- ◆ Software is set up to enable states/communities/others to evaluate existing infrastructure and options for environmental and economic improvements
- ◆ Used in over 30 studies in various states, communities, and regions

Types of Questions Answered Using the MSW-DST

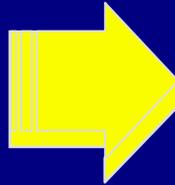
- ◆ What are the cost and environmental benefits of a municipality's recycling programs?
- ◆ Which strategy best minimizes GHG emissions for a given budget?
- ◆ What is the difference in cost and environmental tradeoffs using a landfill bioreactor (or other technology) versus what is currently used?
- ◆ What are the cost and environmental aspects of recycling versus composting corrugated containers?



Complex Solid Waste Decisions Being Evaluated

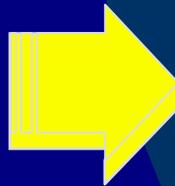
How do we ensure

- ◆ Cost efficient waste management?
- ◆ Meeting state mandated recycling goals?
- ◆ Continued improvement of the environment?
- ◆ Fast, objective analysis of options?
- ◆ Best privatization bids?



Environmental Aspects

- ◆ Local air quality impacts
- ◆ Energy consumption and offsets
- ◆ Greenhouse gas emissions
- ◆ Benefits from materials recycling



Economic/Social Aspects

- ◆ Municipal budgets
- ◆ Need for new facilities
- ◆ Household convenience

Case Studies Using MSW DST*



- ◆ Anderson County, South Carolina
- ◆ Atlanta, Georgia
- ◆ Great River Regional Waste Authority, Iowa
- ◆ Lucas County, Ohio
- ◆ Madison, Wisconsin
- ◆ Minneapolis, Minnesota
- ◆ Portland, Oregon
- ◆ Seattle, Washington
- ◆ Spokane, Washington
- ◆ State of California
- ◆ State of Georgia
- ◆ State of Washington
- ◆ State of Wisconsin
- ◆ Subbor – ETV GHG Center
- ◆ U.S. Conference of Mayors – U.S. GHG Study
- ◆ U.S. Navy Region Northwest
- ◆ Vancouver, Canada

*Many other case studies are under consideration and are being funded through participating organizations.....

Conclusions



- ◆ Ongoing research to evaluate bioreactors to document potential environmental benefits and/or burdens
- ◆ Will result in credible, objective, and peer-reviewed data and information
- ◆ Will use results to update –
 - » AP42 LFG emission factors for use in State emission inventories and obtaining air permits
 - » Defaults in MSW DST for conventional landfilling and bioreactor operations
- ◆ Results will also be used in evaluating residual risk for landfills as specified in CAA Section 112 (f)