Ground Water

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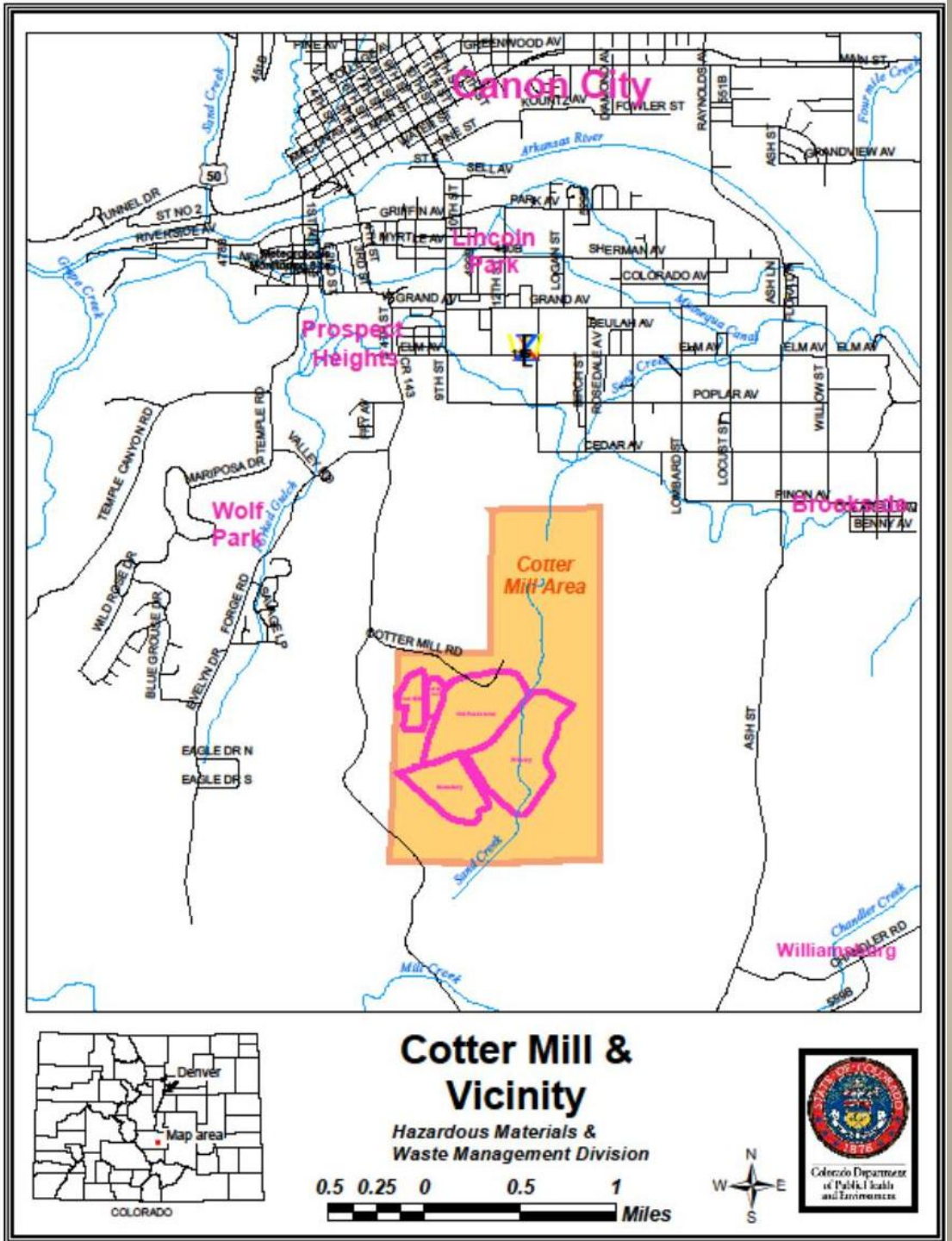
Topics

- TCE in Ground Water
- Northwest Ground Water Plume
- Dam to Ditch Area
- Lincoln Park
- Old Ponds Area
- Impoundment Leakage Investigations
- Questions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Lincoln Park
Prospect Heights
Wolf Park
Brookside
Cotter Mill Area
Williamsburg
Arkansas River
Sand Creek
Four mile Creek
Grape Creek
Mill Creek
Chandler Creek
COTTER MILL RD
ASH ST
MAIN ST
FOWLER ST
GRAND AV
COLORADO AV
SHERMAN AV
POPLAR AV
CEDAR AV
PINON AV
ELM AV
MARIPOSA DR
TEMPLE CANYON RD
WILD ROSE DR
BLUE GROUSE DR
EVELYN DR
FORGE RD
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Denver
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Cotter Mill & Vicinity
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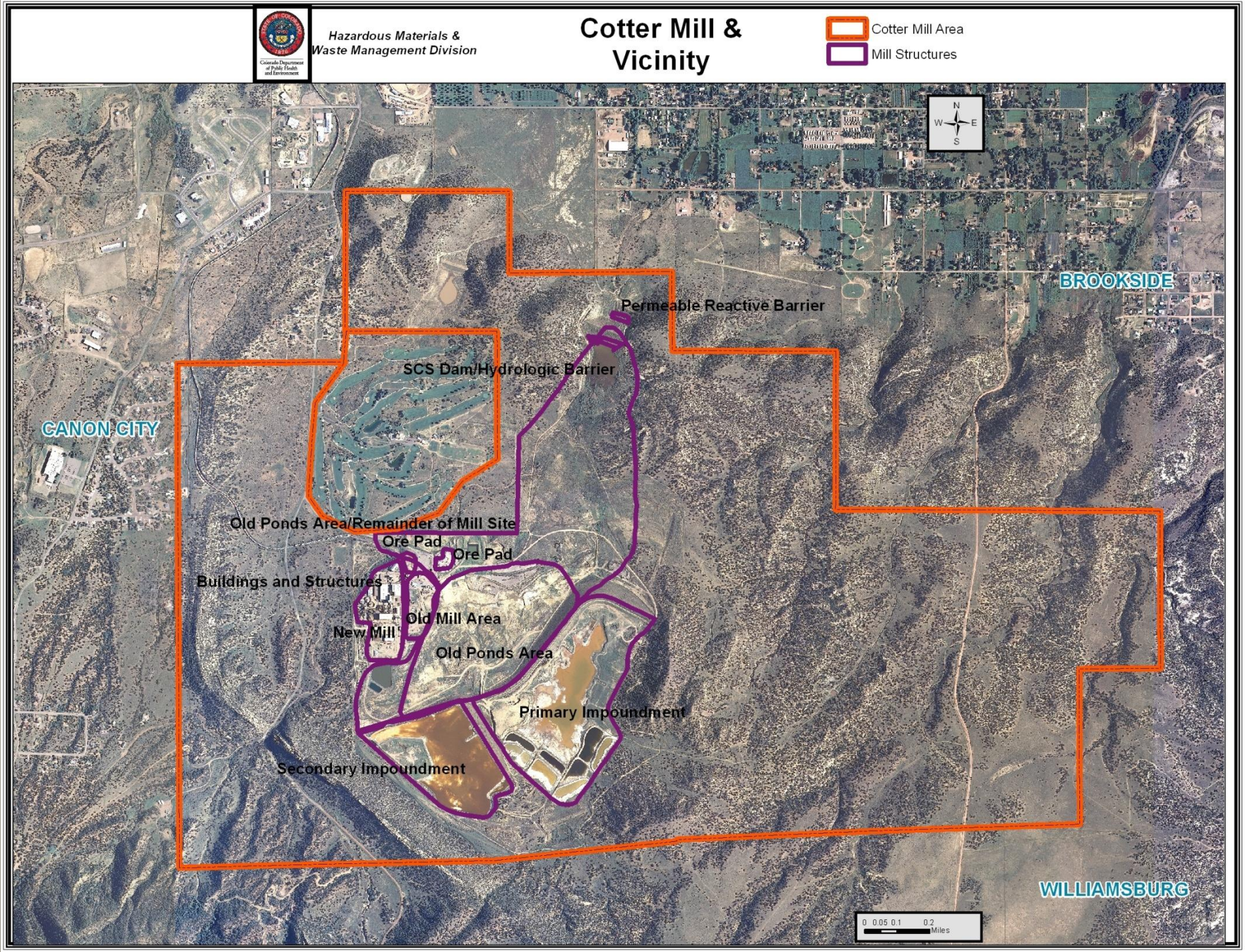
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BROOKSIDE
Permeable Reactive Barrier
SCS Dam/Hydrologic Barrier
CANON CITY
Old Ponds Area/Remainder of Mill Site
Ore Pad
Ore Pad
Buildings and Structures
Old Mill Area
New Mill
Old Ponds Area
Primary Impoundment
Secondary Impoundment
WILLIAMSBURG
0 0.05 0.1 0.2
Miles

TCE in Ground Water

- TCE =

  Trichloroethylene =

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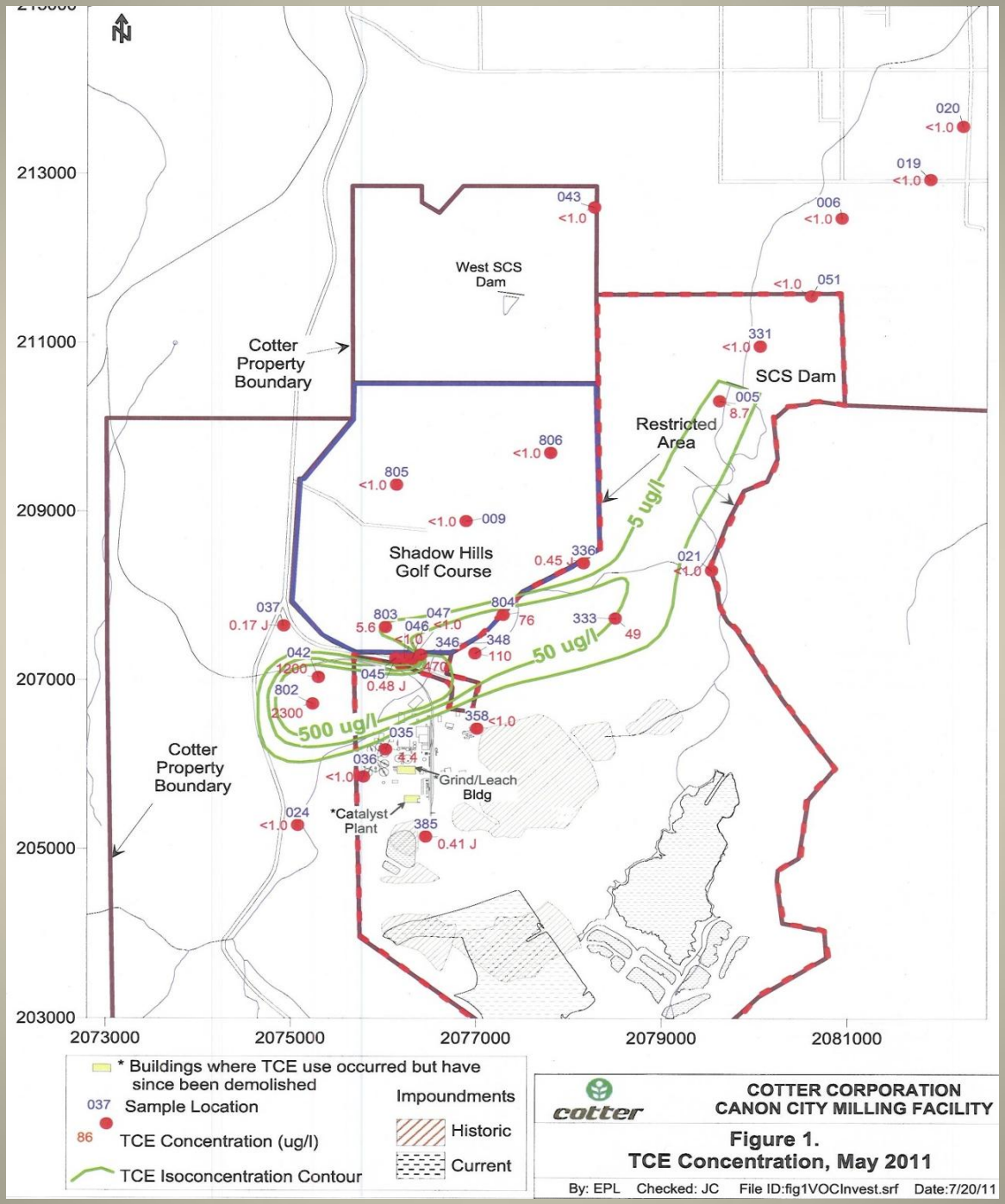
  TCE is used primarily as a non-flammable solvent.

TCE in Ground Water

- Cotter was analyzing well water for tri-halo methanes (THCs) and found TCE.
- Cotter performed a ground water survey for TCE and other volatile organic compounds (VOCs) from west of the mill to Lincoln Park.
- TCE was not found in Lincoln Park wells tested.
- Water analyses also found common gasoline additives 1,2-dichloroethane (DCA) and methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE).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West SCS Dam
Cotter Property Boundary
Cotter Property Boundary
Shadow Hills Golf Course
SCS Dam
Restricted Area
5 ug/l
50 ug/l
500 ug/l
*Grind/Leach Bldg
*Catalyst Plant
020 <1.0
019 <1.0
006 <1.0
043 <1.0
051 <1.0
331 <1.0
005 8.7
806 <1.0
805 <1.0
009 <1.0
336 0.45
021 <1.0
804 76
333 49
803 5.6
047 <1.0
046 <1.0
346
348 110
042 1200
045 0.48 J
802 2300
037 0.17 J
358 <1.0
035 4.4
036 <1.0
024 <1.0
385 0.41 J
* Buildings where TCE use occurred but have since been demolished
037 Sample Location
86 TCE Concentration (ug/l)
TCE Isoconcentration Contour
Impoundments
Historic
Current
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Figure 1.
TCE Concentration, May 2011
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Soil Vapor Survey

- Cotter is performing soil vapor survey and more ground water sampling to locate possible source areas.
- Soil vapor survey is reconnaissance technique. It can help to decide where to drill new wells or excavate.

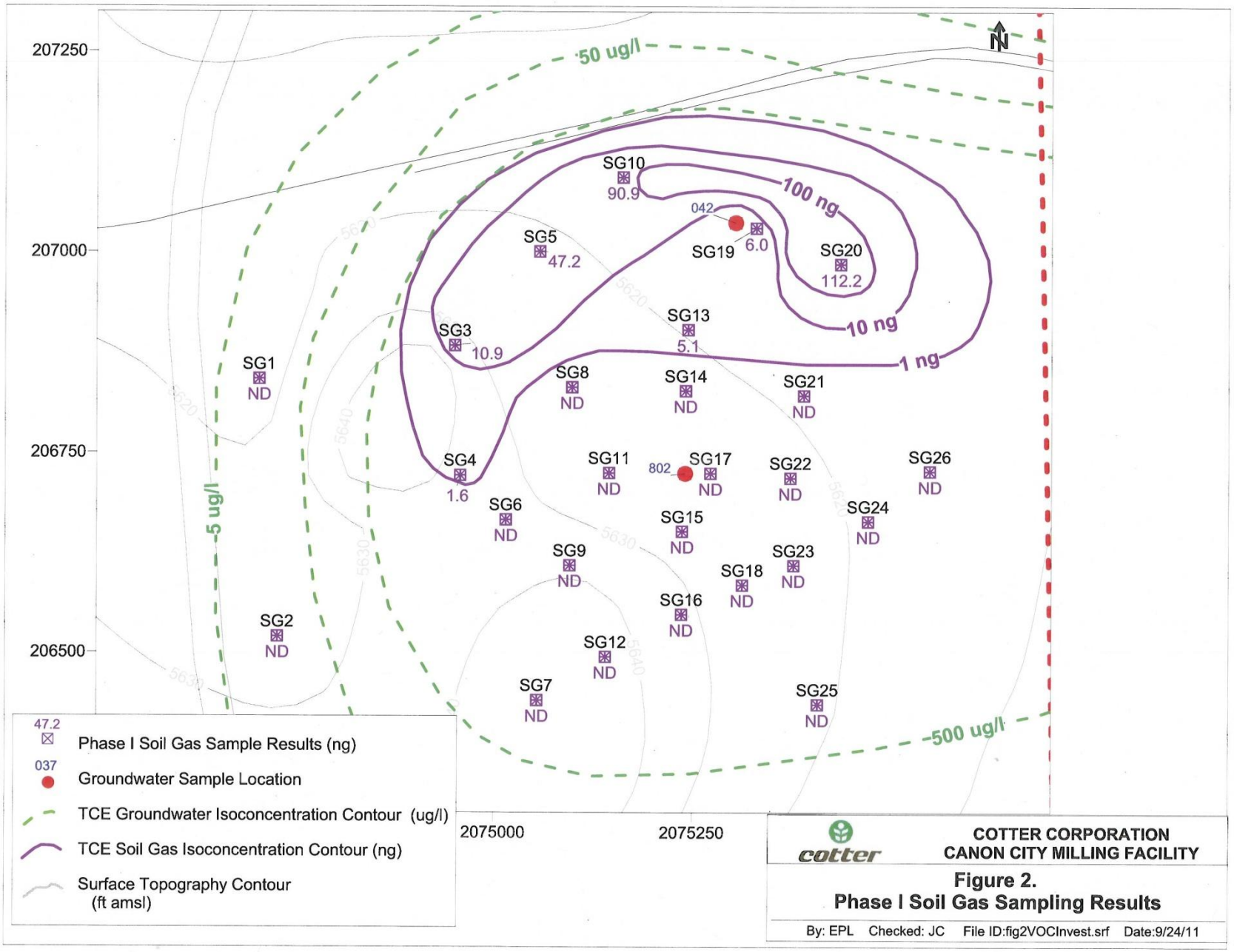

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Figure 2.
Phase I Soil Gas Sampling Results

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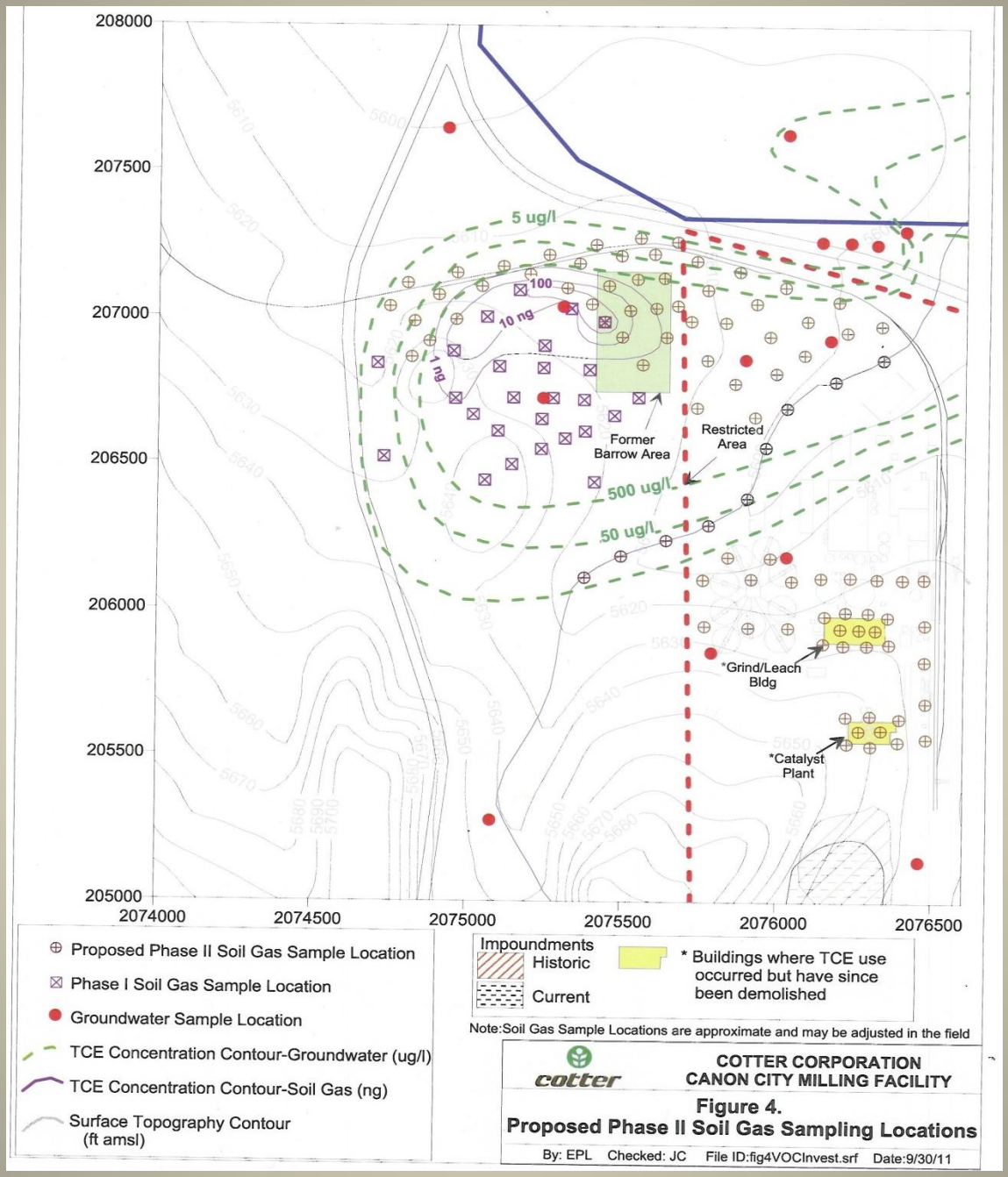
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Former Barrow Area
Restricted Area
500 ug/l
50 ug/l
*Grind/Leach Bldg
*Catalyst Plant
Proposed Phase II Soil Gas Sample Location
Phase I Soil Gas Sample Location
Groundwater Sample Location
TCE Concentration Contour-Groundwater (ug/l)
TCE Concentration Contour-Soil Gas (ng)
Surface Topography Contour (ft amsl)
Impoundments
Historic
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* Buildings where TCE use occurred but have since been demolished
Note:Soil Gas Sample Locations are approximate and may be adjusted in the field
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Figure 4.
Proposed Phase II Soil Gas Sampling Locations
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Removal of passive soil gas sampler before capping vial at SG-02.