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Monterey
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Fort Ord Operable Unit 2 Landfills

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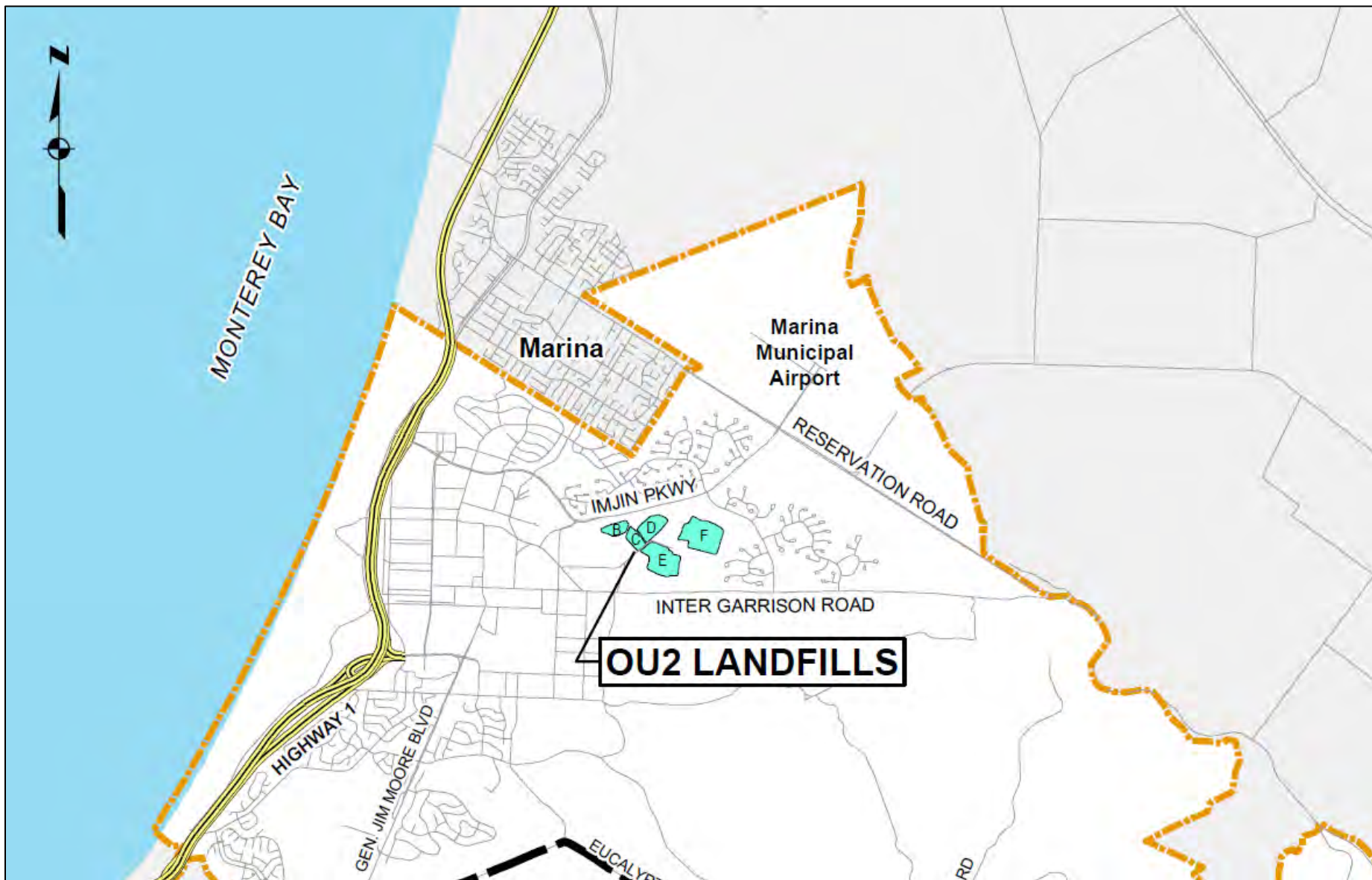
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Fort Ord OU2 Landfills

- Used for residential and on-base waste disposal, 1956 to 1987
- Record of Decision 1994
 - Identifies the selected remedy for the Landfills as an engineered cover system
 - Agreement between the Army, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and California EPA
- Engineered cover constructed in 3 phases
 - 1997 to 1998
 - 2002 to 2003
 - 2013
- Landfill incorporates soils from other Fort Ord remediation sites, placed under the engineered cover

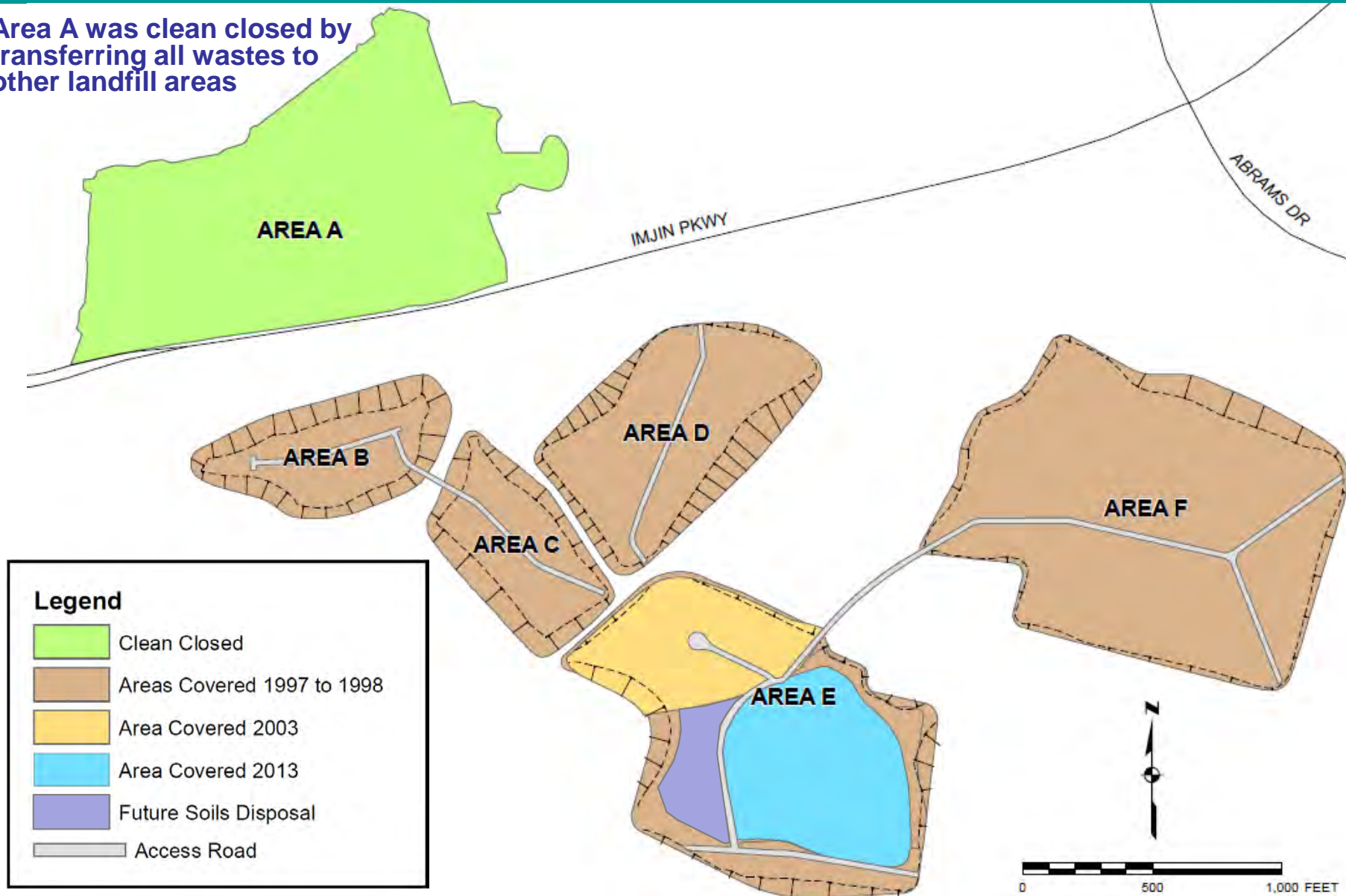


Fort Ord OU2 Landfills Location

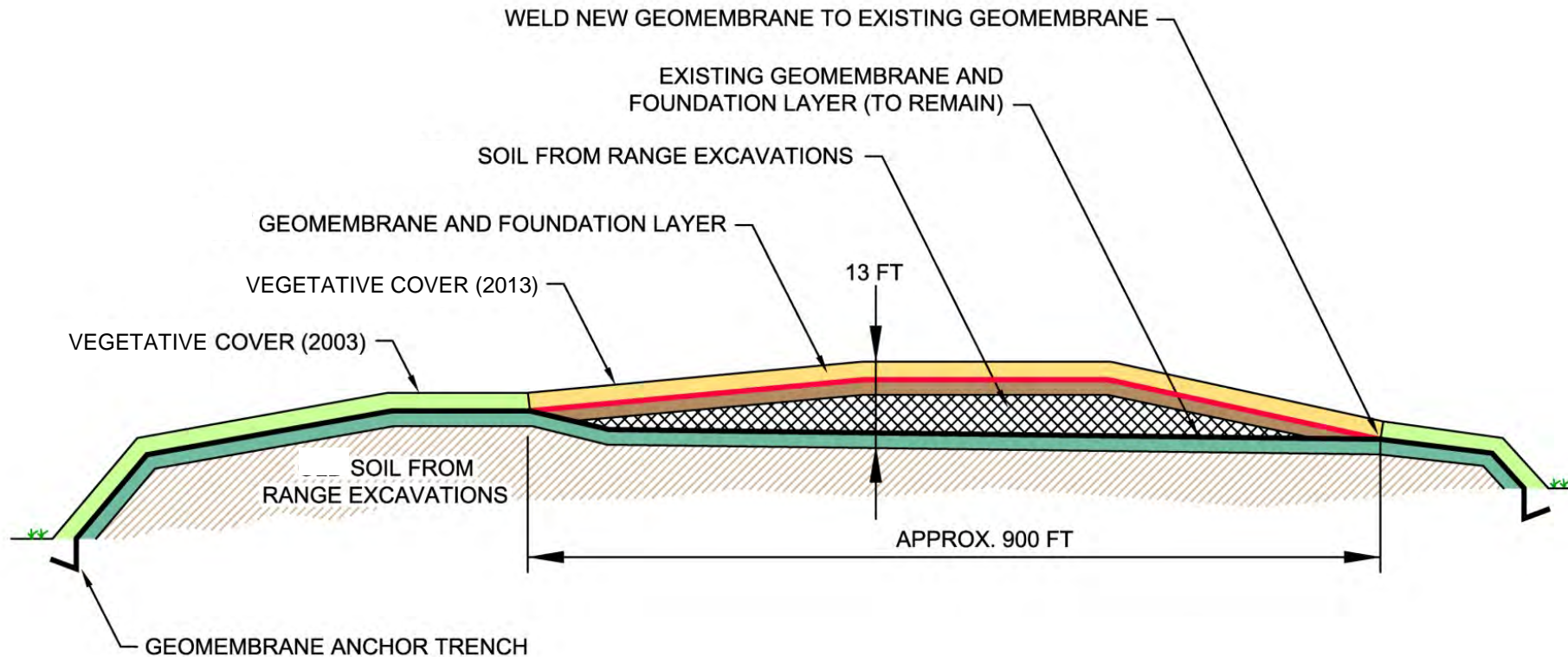


Fort Ord OU2 Landfills Status

Area A was clean closed by transferring all wastes to other landfill areas



Area E Cover System Installed in 2013



- 2013 VEGETATIVE COVER
- 2013 GEOMEMBRANE
- 2013 FOUNDATION LAYER
- 2013 SOIL FROM RANGE EXCAVATIONS

- 2003 VEGETATIVE COVER
- 2003 GEOMEMBRANE
- 2003 FOUNDATION LAYER
- 2003 SOIL FROM RANGE EXCAVATIONS

Area E Cover Construction - 2003



Covering Area E in 2013



Geomembrane
factory inspection



Rolling out
geomembrane



Joining geomembrane
seams



Welding
geomembrane seams



Placing vegetative
cover soil



Hydroseeding
with native seed

Landfills Cover Maintenance



Area F vegetative cover erosion damage



Area F vegetative cover erosion repairs

Landfills Cover Maintenance



Perimeter Road Erosion Repairs

Landfills Cover Maintenance



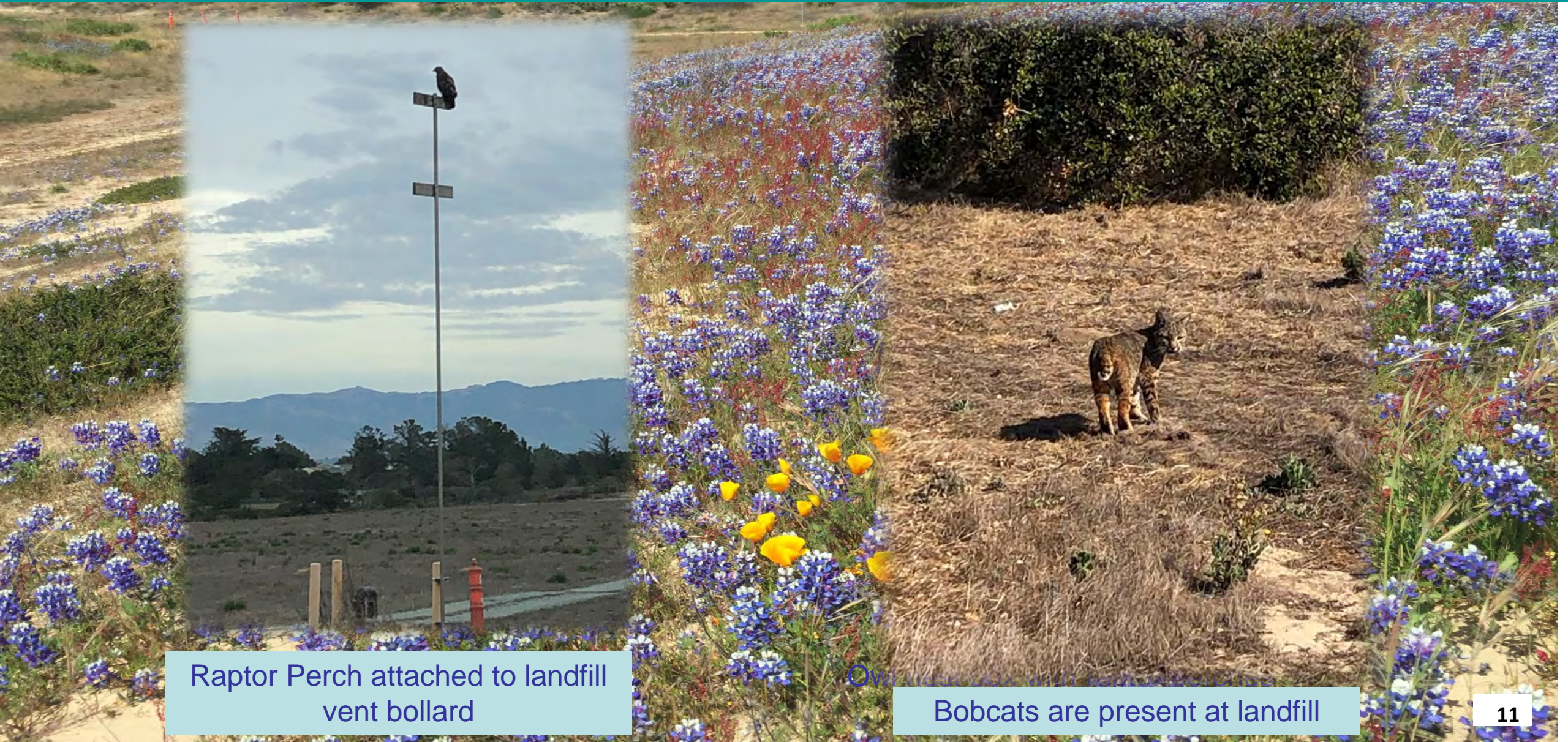
Standard owl nest box installed at Area D



Owl nest box with raptor perches installed at Area B



Landfills Cover Maintenance



Raptor Perch attached to landfill vent bollard

Owl visit with park biologist

Bobcats are present at landfill

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Raptor Perch Locations

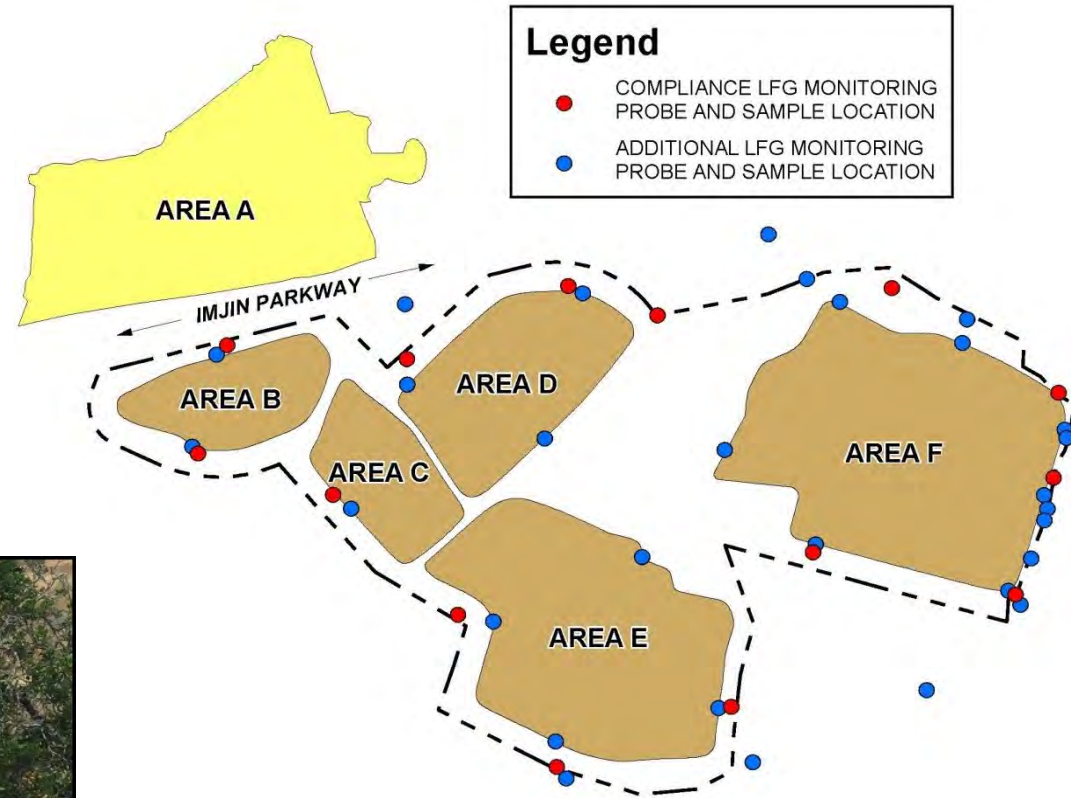
Landfill Gas



- Produced in all landfills when organic waste decomposes
- Gases are mostly methane and carbon dioxide
- Trace amounts of other organic gases are produced (similar to compounds that have been found in groundwater beneath the landfill)
- Landfill gas is extracted and treated

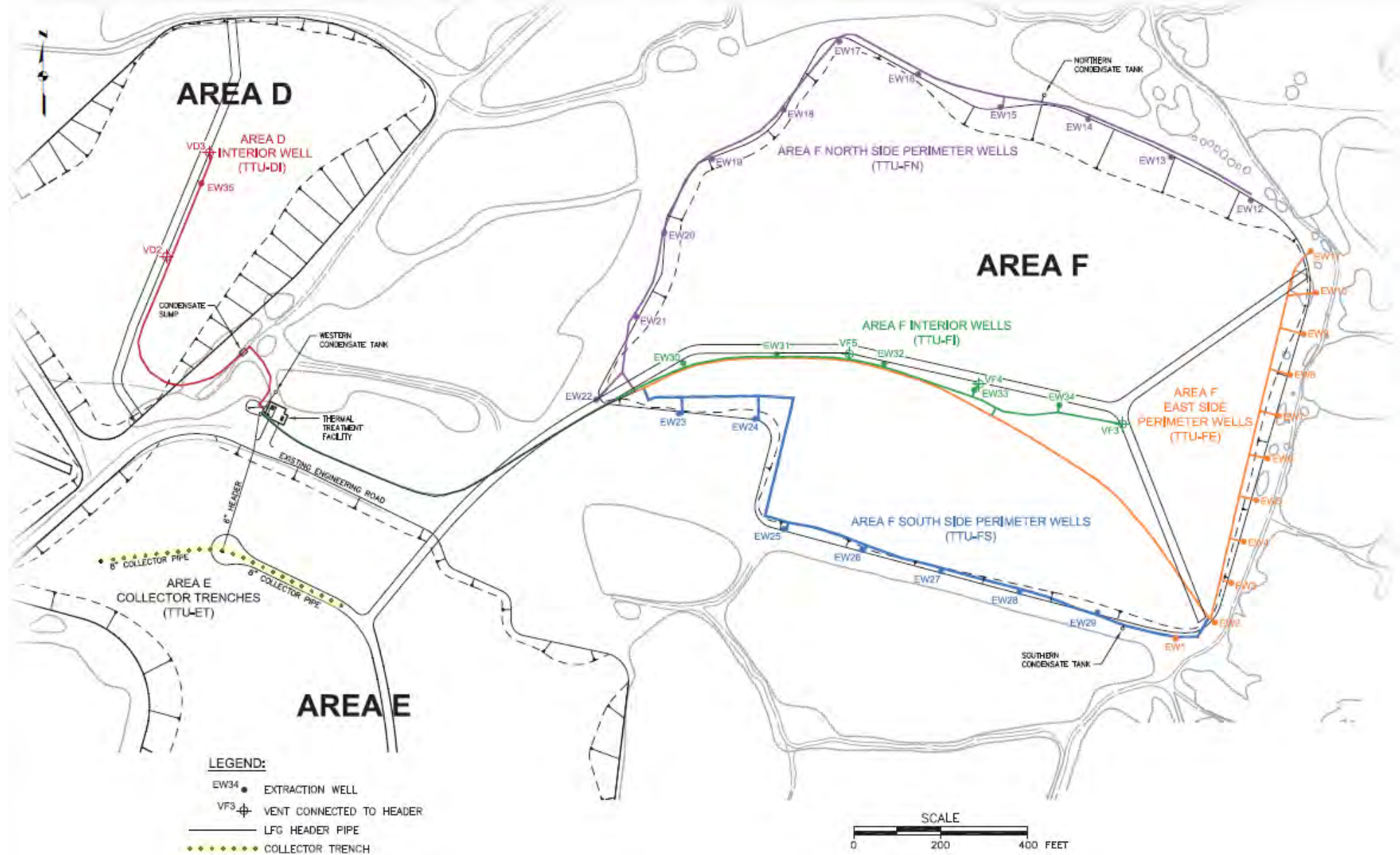
Landfill Gas Monitoring Locations

- Monitoring is required by California regulation to show that methane does not exceed 5% at landfill perimeter
- Monitoring of probes and ambient air has demonstrated no impact to surrounding community



- Methane is monitored below ground with “perimeter probes” installed all around the landfill property boundary

Landfill Gas Extraction and Treatment

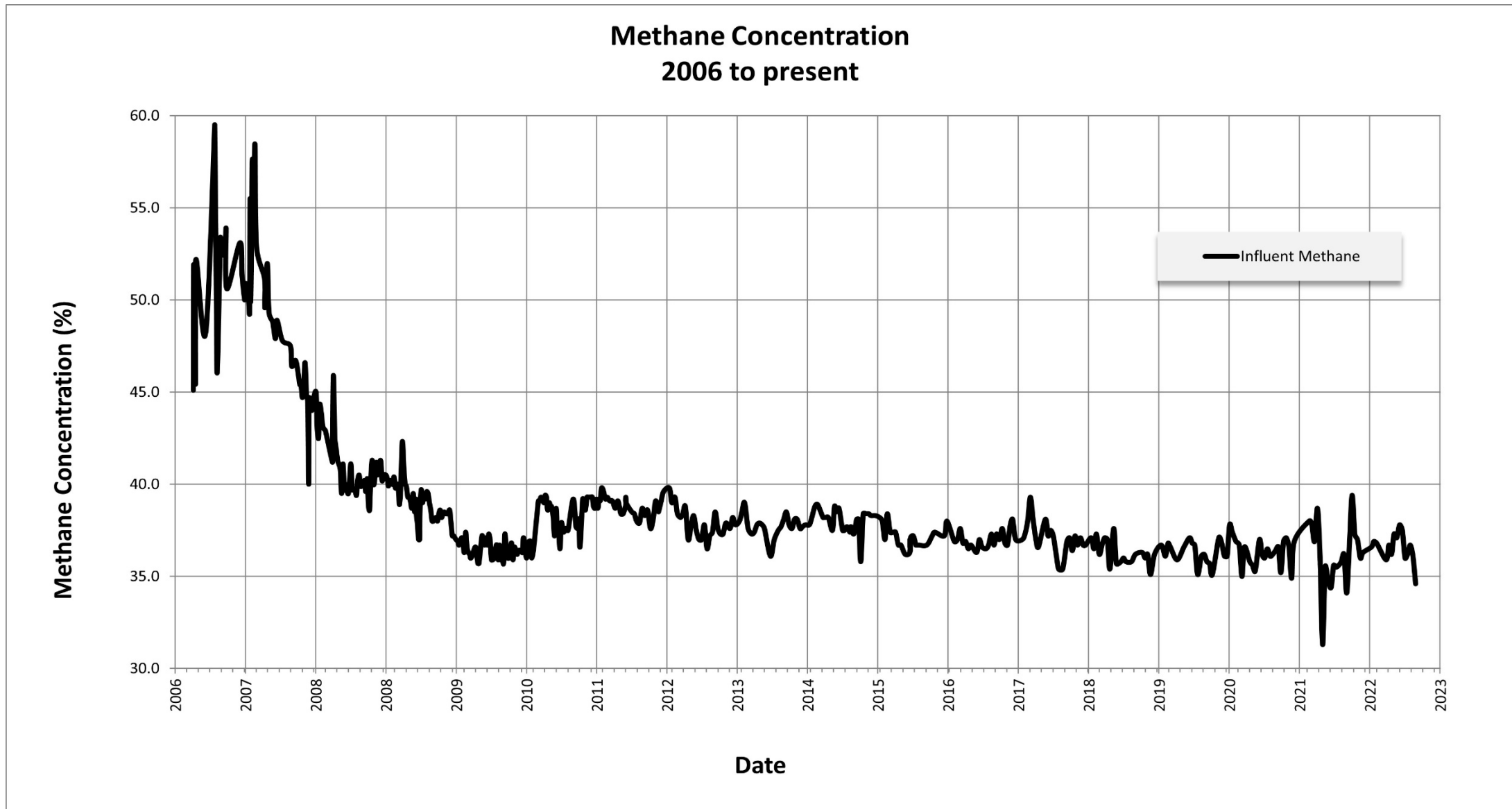


Landfill Gas Thermal Treatment Unit

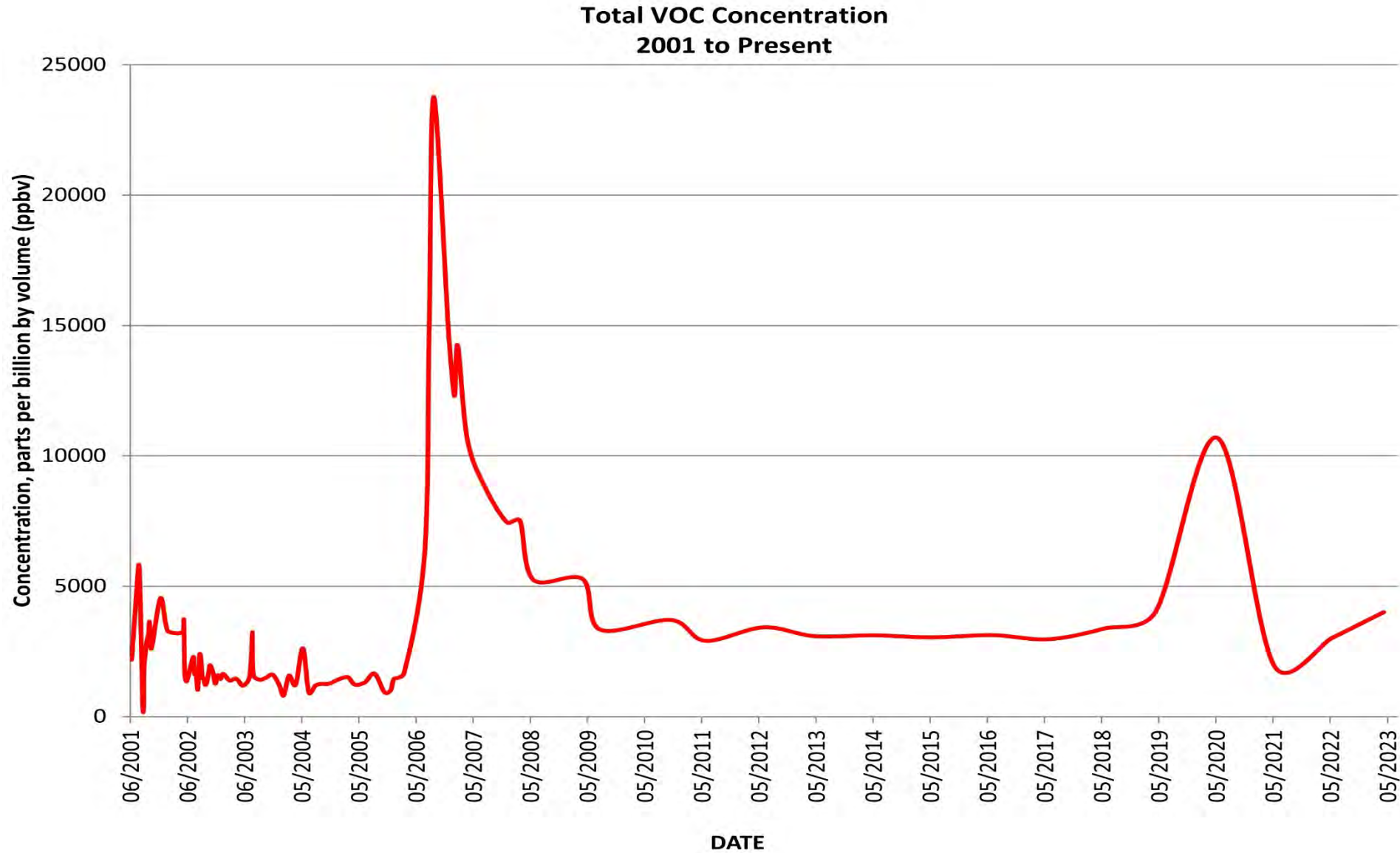


- Industry standard design
- High temperature destruction of organic compounds including methane
- Operating since August 2006
- Destroys volatile organic compounds (VOCs) that otherwise could potentially reach soil, groundwater or the atmosphere

Landfill Gas Thermal Treatment Unit



Landfill Gas Thermal Treatment Unit



For Additional Information

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