



**Waite-Heindel**  
Environmental Management

## MEMO

**TO:** John Gay, NEWSVT  
**FR:** Wendy Krembs, WHEM Staff Scientist;  
Craig Heindel, WHEM Senior Hydrogeologist  
**DT:** Jan. 10, 2014  
**RE:** Proposed Compliance Monitoring Wells in Black River Wetland (shallow, hand-installed)  
BRW-4S to 10S  
**CC:** Lenny Wing, Larry Shilling, Kimberly Crosby (NEWSVT)  
Brian Beaudoin, SHA

**Introduction; Purpose of Wells:** Six (6) shallow groundwater monitoring wells would be hand-installed in the Black River Wetland (BRW) on NEWSVT property near property boundaries (MW-BRW-4S through 9S). Permission would also be sought from the VT Fish & Game Department to install one similar well located in the Black River wetland up-gradient of the estimated groundwater flowpath from the permitted Phase IV waste-containment boundary (MW-BRW-10S). The purpose of the six wells on NEWSVT property is to monitor groundwater quality near NEWSVT's property lines, down-gradient of the solid waste management facilities. The purpose of the upgradient well is to monitor "background" or up-gradient groundwater quality.

**Well Locations:** The locations of the six proposed well sites on NEWSVT property (MW-BRW-4S to 9S) are shown on the map in the Attachment to this Memo. They are proposed to be evenly spaced at about 1,000 to 2,000 feet apart along the down-gradient NEWSVT property line. The up-gradient location (MW-BRW-10S) would be field-chosen at the location most convenient to install where it is clearly up-gradient of the estimated groundwater flowpath from the permitted solid waste containment boundaries. This appears to unavoidably be off-property, since there is no apparent location in the Black River Wetland that is up-gradient AND on NEWSVT property. Permission to install MW-BRW-10S must be obtained from the State of Vermont (landowner of the proposed location).

**Well Installation Method:** A 3.5-inch diameter stainless steel hand auger will be advanced approximately 1 foot at a time. After each 1-foot advancement, the auger will be removed and the soils visually characterized. Total depth of 10 to 15 feet will be reached, or 2 feet into a low-permeability silt-clay layer, whichever is shallower. Auger cuttings will be placed back down the annular space surrounding the well.

After reaching the total depth, a 2-inch inner diameter, schedule 40 PVC well with a 5-foot, 0.010-inch slotted Pre-Pack screen will be installed with a solid bottom slip cap. A stickup of approximately 2 to 3 feet above the ground surface will be installed with a locking gripper cap and without an outer well-guard.

The annular space surrounding the PVC well will be filled with all the soils that were removed during the hand augering process. At approximately 0.5 ft. below the ground surface, a bentonite seal will be placed to the ground surface. Upon completion, the total stickup above the ground surface will be measured.

Between installations, the hand auger will be decontaminated with a mixture of water and Alconox. Upon completion, a soil boring log/well construction record would be completed (see attached template).

**Well Development:** Prior to the first groundwater sampling event, each well will be developed using a peristaltic pump to purge the well of three well volumes or until dry. Sand and silt will also be purged from the bottom of the well during this process by agitating the tubing at the bottom of the well. New tubing will be used at each well.

**Well Sampling:** After development, each well will be sampled via low flow technology as follows:

- Measure the depth to groundwater and total depth.
- Purge the well, utilizing a peristaltic pump evacuating approximately 200 milliliters per minute or less (adjusted as necessary if well draws down too much). The purged water will pass through an inline flow-through cell measuring *temperature, dissolved oxygen, specific conductance, and pH* every three minutes. We will also take depth-to-water readings, so the purging can be reduced or ended before the well goes dry. A Low Flow Sampling Field Data Sheet template is in the Attachment.
- A separate meter will be used to collect turbidity readings at the same three minute interval.
- After the field parameters reach equilibrium, samples will be obtained directly from the pump, and placed in appropriately sized and preserved bottles.
- New tubing will be used at each well, and the water level probe will be decontaminated with a mixture of water and Alconox between each well.
- A minimum of four rounds of groundwater sampling will be conducted, approximately 10 to 20 days apart.

**Analytical Parameters:** Samples will be analyzed for the complete list of analytes that are conducted on groundwater samples in the May and October semi-annual sampling rounds, plus Semi-Volatile Organic Compounds by EPA Method 8270 on the first round only (unless SVOCs are detected, then continue with analyses for SVOCs in all subsequent sampling rounds). See Chain of Custody Template in the Attachment.

**Measurements in other Monitoring Wells when Sampling MW-BRW-4S through 10S:** On the first and third sampling rounds of MW-BRW-4S through 10S, water level measurements will be conducted in selected other wells listed below. The purpose of collecting these measurements is to provide same-time groundwater elevation data throughout the Black River Wetland complex:

- A1
- B1
- BRW-1
- BRW-2R
- BRW-3S
- BRW-3D
- D1-R
- D2
- GP-2R
- P2R
- P5
- P6.

**Topographic Survey of New Monitoring Wells:** Topographic locations and elevations of all new monitoring wells will be surveyed using the same datum as previous surveys.

**Attachment:**

- Monitor Well and Soil Boring Log Template for MW-BRW-4S through 10S;
- Low Flow Sampling Field Data Collection Sheet;
- Chain of Custody TEMPLATE for Groundwater Quality Analyses, Endyne Laboratories;
- Map, Proposed Compliance Monitoring Wells (BRW-4S – 10S) 01-02-2014.

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**ATTACHMENT**



## SOIL BORING LOG; WELL CONSTRUCTION RECORD BRW-4S through BRW-10S

**Site Name: NEWSVT** ("Black River Wetland monitoring well #X-S (= Shallow)")  
**Coventry, VT**

WHEM Proj. #: xxxxx/x-x  
Date Installed: xx/xx/xxxx  
Drilled by: Waite-Heindel Environmental Mgmt. Drilling Method: Stainless Steel Hand Auger, 3.5-in. diam.  
Logged by: xxx xxx Sampling Method: same  
Development Method: Peristaltic Pump, on xx/xx/xxxx

FT.	Well Construction	Interval (ft)	Soil Characteristics	Letter Symbol	Graphic Symbol	Water
3.0 2.5 2.0 1.5 1.0 0.5 Grade = 0			Gripper cap, locking (No outer steel well-guard) stick-up (X.XX ft.)			
0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 4.5 5.0 5.5 6.0 6.5 7.0 7.5 8.0 8.5 9.0 9.5 10.0 10.5 11.0						
	<b>Well bottom:</b> XX.XX ft. BGS XX. X ft. BTOP		(XX.X ft. = Bottom of auger hole)			

**LEGEND:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> No well-guard installed.</li> <li> Bentonite Seal Placed in Annulus.</li> <li> Auger cuttings (Peat) placed in Annulus.</li> </ul> <p><b>Soils:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> OL = Organic Soil.</li> <li> CL = Clay, Lean.</li> </ul> <p><b>Water:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SAT = Saturated.</li> </ul> |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Cap:</b> Gripper Cap, Locking (Master key #XXXX).</li> <li><b>Solid Riser:</b> 2" ID, Schedule 40 PVC, X.X ft. AGS to X.X ft. BGS (total X.X ft.).</li> <li><b>Screen:</b> 2" ID, Schedule 40 PVC, 0.010"-Slotted Pre-Pak Sand Well Screen: X.X ft. to X.X ft. BGS</li> <li><b>Bottom:</b> Solid bottom cap ( ~ 0.2 ft.).</li> </ul> |
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# NEWSVT LF Ground Water

Endyne Inc. COC

Lab Use WO#

Prepared: 2/24/12

Bill to:

Report to:

Customer # 070338



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VT 05406

W-70338NGW



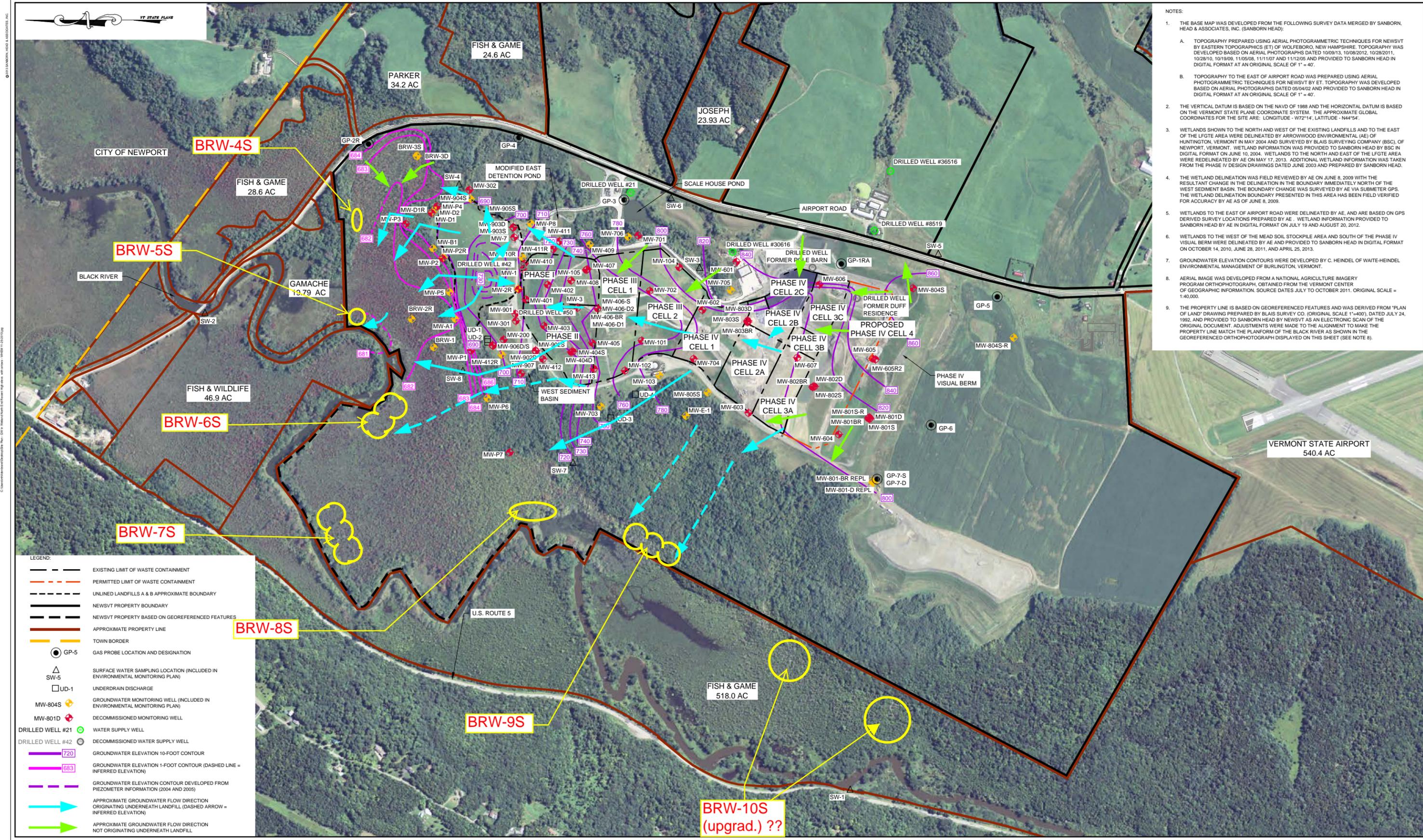
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Sampler: \_\_\_\_\_

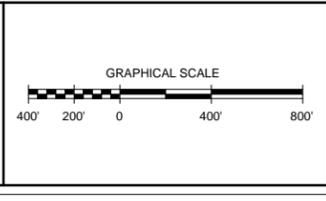
Chloride	1 - 2 oz --	Plastic	<6C
COD	1 - 2 oz --	Plastic or Glass	<6C, H2SO4 _____
Iron, Dissolved	1 - 8 oz --	Plastic Filtered Metals	Filter _____ HNO3 _____
Manganese, Dissolved			
Metals Furnace Digestion	1 - 16 oz --	Plastic Total Metals	HNO3 _____
Antimony, Total			
Arsenic, Total			
Barium, Total			
Beryllium, Total			
Cadmium, Total			
Chromium, Total			
Cobalt, Total			
Copper, Total			
Iron, Total			
Lead, Total			
Manganese, Total			
Mercury, Total			
Nickel, Total			
Selenium, Total			
Silver, Total			
Sodium, Total			
Thallium, Total			
Vanadium, Total			
Zinc, Total			
VOC w/ Oxygenates, Water	2 --	40ml vials	<6C, HCl

SVOCs via EPA Method 8270, for first sampling round.



- NOTES:
- THE BASE MAP WAS DEVELOPED FROM THE FOLLOWING SURVEY DATA MERGED BY SANBORN, HEAD & ASSOCIATES, INC. (SANBORN HEAD):
    - TOPOGRAPHY PREPARED USING AERIAL PHOTOGRAMMETRIC TECHNIQUES FOR NEWSVT BY EASTERN TOPOGRAPHICS (ET) OF WOLFEBORO, NEW HAMPSHIRE. TOPOGRAPHY WAS DEVELOPED BASED ON AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS DATED 10/09/13, 10/08/2012, 10/28/2011, 10/28/10, 10/19/09, 11/05/08, 11/11/07 AND 11/12/05 AND PROVIDED TO SANBORN HEAD IN DIGITAL FORMAT AT AN ORIGINAL SCALE OF 1" = 40'.
    - TOPOGRAPHY TO THE EAST OF AIRPORT ROAD WAS PREPARED USING AERIAL PHOTOGRAMMETRIC TECHNIQUES FOR NEWSVT BY ET. TOPOGRAPHY WAS DEVELOPED BASED ON AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS DATED 05/04/02 AND PROVIDED TO SANBORN HEAD IN DIGITAL FORMAT AT AN ORIGINAL SCALE OF 1" = 40'.
  - THE VERTICAL DATUM IS BASED ON THE NAVD OF 1988 AND THE HORIZONTAL DATUM IS BASED ON THE VERMONT STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM. THE APPROXIMATE GLOBAL COORDINATES FOR THE SITE ARE: LONGITUDE - W72°14', LATITUDE - N44°54'.
  - WETLANDS SHOWN TO THE NORTH AND WEST OF THE EXISTING LANDFILLS AND TO THE EAST OF THE LFGE AREA WERE DELINEATED BY ARROWWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL (AE) OF HUNTINGTON, VERMONT IN MAY 2004 AND SURVEYED BY BLAIS SURVEYING COMPANY (BSC), OF NEWPORT, VERMONT. WETLAND INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED TO SANBORN HEAD BY BSC IN DIGITAL FORMAT ON JUNE 10, 2004. WETLANDS TO THE NORTH AND EAST OF THE LFGE AREA WERE REDELINEATED BY AE ON MAY 17, 2013. ADDITIONAL WETLAND INFORMATION WAS TAKEN FROM THE PHASE IV DESIGN DRAWINGS DATED JUNE 2003 AND PREPARED BY SANBORN HEAD.
  - THE WETLAND DELINEATION WAS FIELD REVIEWED BY AE ON JUNE 8, 2009 WITH THE RESULTANT CHANGE IN THE DELINEATION IN THE BOUNDARY IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF THE WEST SEDIMENT BASIN. THE BOUNDARY CHANGE WAS SURVEYED BY AE VIA SUBMETER GPS. THE WETLAND DELINEATION BOUNDARY PRESENTED IN THIS AREA HAS BEEN FIELD VERIFIED FOR ACCURACY BY AE AS OF JUNE 8, 2009.
  - WETLANDS TO THE EAST OF AIRPORT ROAD WERE DELINEATED BY AE, AND ARE BASED ON GPS DERIVED SURVEY LOCATIONS PREPARED BY AE. WETLAND INFORMATION PROVIDED TO SANBORN HEAD BY AE IN DIGITAL FORMAT ON JULY 19 AND AUGUST 20, 2012.
  - WETLANDS TO THE WEST OF THE MEAD SOIL STOCKPILE AREA AND SOUTH OF THE PHASE IV VISUAL BERM WERE DELINEATED BY AE AND PROVIDED TO SANBORN HEAD IN DIGITAL FORMAT ON OCTOBER 14, 2010, JUNE 28, 2011, AND APRIL 25, 2013.
  - GROUNDWATER ELEVATION CONTOURS WERE DEVELOPED BY C. HEINDEL OF WAITE-HEINDEL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OF BURLINGTON, VERMONT.
  - AERIAL IMAGE WAS DEVELOPED FROM A NATIONAL AGRICULTURE IMAGERY PROGRAM ORTHOPHOTOGRAPH, OBTAINED FROM THE VERMONT CENTER OF GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION. SOURCE DATES JULY TO OCTOBER 2011. ORIGINAL SCALE = 1:40,000.
  - THE PROPERTY LINE IS BASED ON GEOREFERENCED FEATURES AND WAS DERIVED FROM 'PLAN OF LAND' DRAWING PREPARED BY BLAIS SURVEY CO. (ORIGINAL SCALE 1"=400'), DATED JULY 24, 1992, AND PROVIDED TO SANBORN HEAD BY NEWSVT AS AN ELECTRONIC SCAN OF THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT. ADJUSTMENTS WERE MADE TO THE ALIGNMENT TO MAKE THE PROPERTY LINE MATCH THE PLANFORM OF THE BLACK RIVER AS SHOWN IN THE GEOREFERENCED ORTHOPHOTOGRAPH DISPLAYED ON THIS SHEET (SEE NOTE 8).

- LEGEND:
- EXISTING LIMIT OF WASTE CONTAINMENT
  - - - PERMITTED LIMIT OF WASTE CONTAINMENT
  - UNLINED LANDFILLS A & B APPROXIMATE BOUNDARY
  - NEWSVT PROPERTY BOUNDARY
  - NEWSVT PROPERTY BASED ON GEOREFERENCED FEATURES
  - APPROXIMATE PROPERTY LINE
  - TOWN BORDER
  - GP-5 GAS PROBE LOCATION AND DESIGNATION
  - △ SW-5 SURFACE WATER SAMPLING LOCATION (INCLUDED IN ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PLAN)
  - UD-1 UNDERDRAIN DISCHARGE
  - MW-804S GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL (INCLUDED IN ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PLAN)
  - MW-801D DECOMMISSIONED MONITORING WELL
  - DRILLED WELL #21 WATER SUPPLY WELL
  - DRILLED WELL #42 DECOMMISSIONED WATER SUPPLY WELL
  - 720 GROUNDWATER ELEVATION 10-FOOT CONTOUR
  - 683 GROUNDWATER ELEVATION 1-FOOT CONTOUR (DASHED LINE = INFERRED ELEVATION)
  - GROUNDWATER ELEVATION CONTOUR DEVELOPED FROM PIEZOMETER INFORMATION (2004 AND 2005)
  - APPROXIMATE GROUNDWATER FLOW DIRECTION ORIGINATING UNDERNEATH LANDFILL (DASHED ARROW = INFERRED ELEVATION)
  - APPROXIMATE GROUNDWATER FLOW DIRECTION NOT ORIGINATING UNDERNEATH LANDFILL



NO.	DATE	DESCRIPTION	BY
1. 1-03-2014. Proposed compliance mon. wells (BRW-4S - 10S). WHEM.			

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HYDROGEOLOGIC SITE CHARACTERIZATION  
 NEW ENGLAND WASTE SERVICES OF VERMONT, INC.  
 COVENTRY, VERMONT

**FULL SITE GROUNDWATER  
 CONTOUR PLAN**

PROJECT NUMBER: 3620.00  
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