

Overview of Brownfields and GSI

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What is a Brownfield?

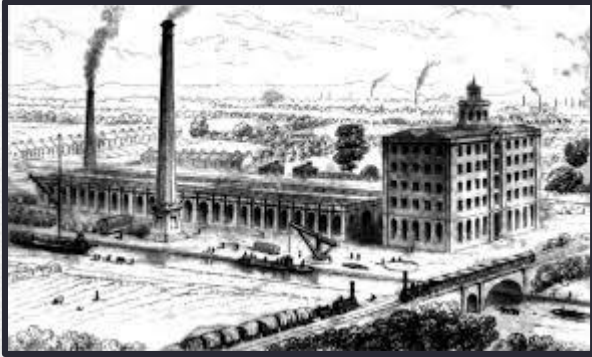
“Real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.” EPA



estimated 450,000 brownfields in the US

Brownfields

Industrial chemicals and wastes, abandoned factories, buried wastes



Newer Brownfield Sites

Not just the industries of the 19th century...



How Do we Know it's a Brownfield Site?

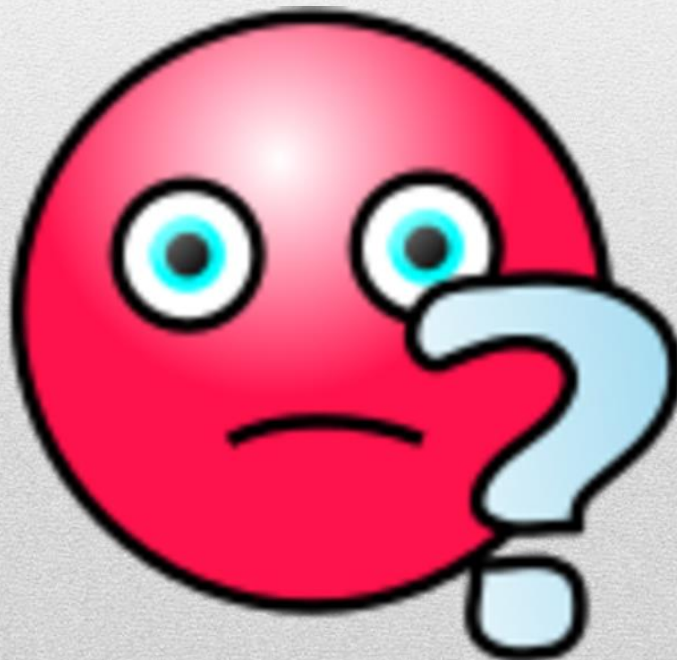
Is the site vacant or less productive than it used to be or should be?

Does the site have an industrial past?

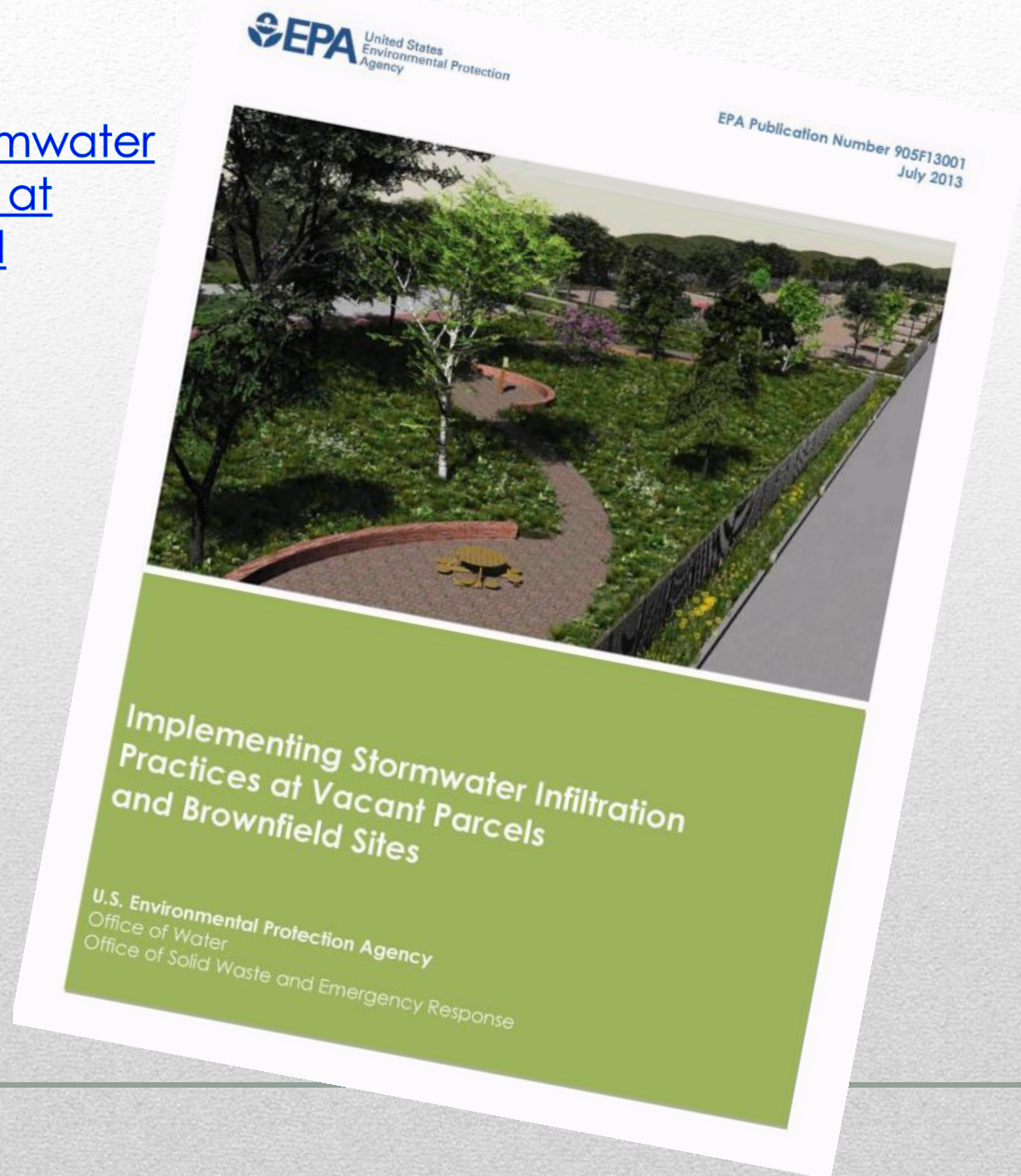
Is there knowledge or a perception of environmental contamination?

Ask the Professional!

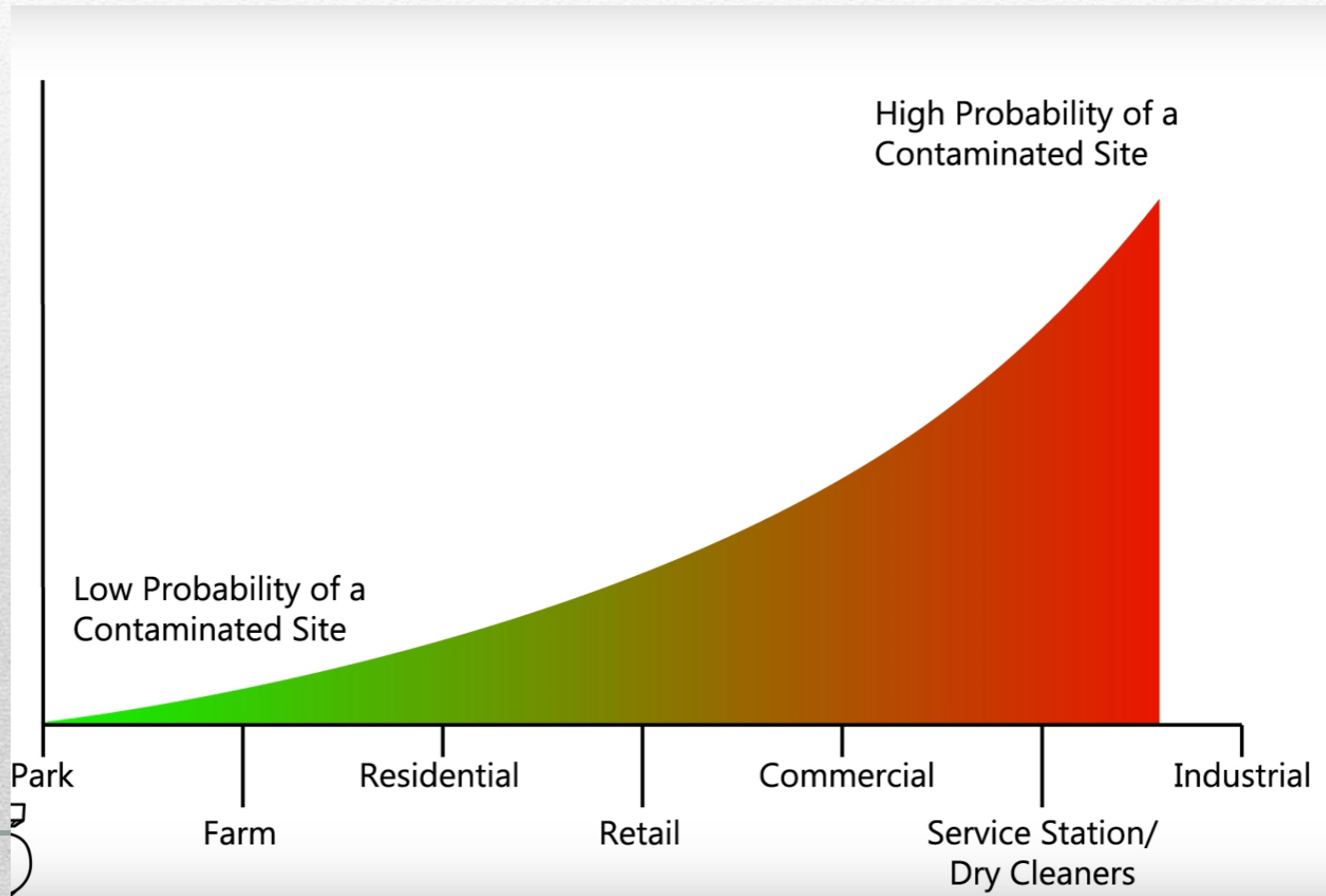
So why do I want to
put GSI on a BF site?



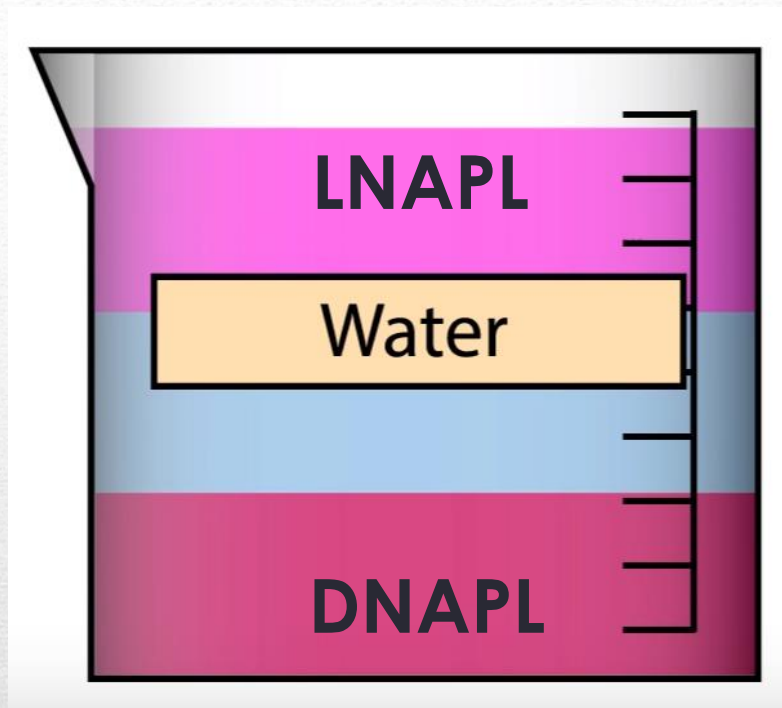
USEPA's July 2013 "Implementing Stormwater Infiltration Practices at Vacant Parcels and Brownfields Sites"



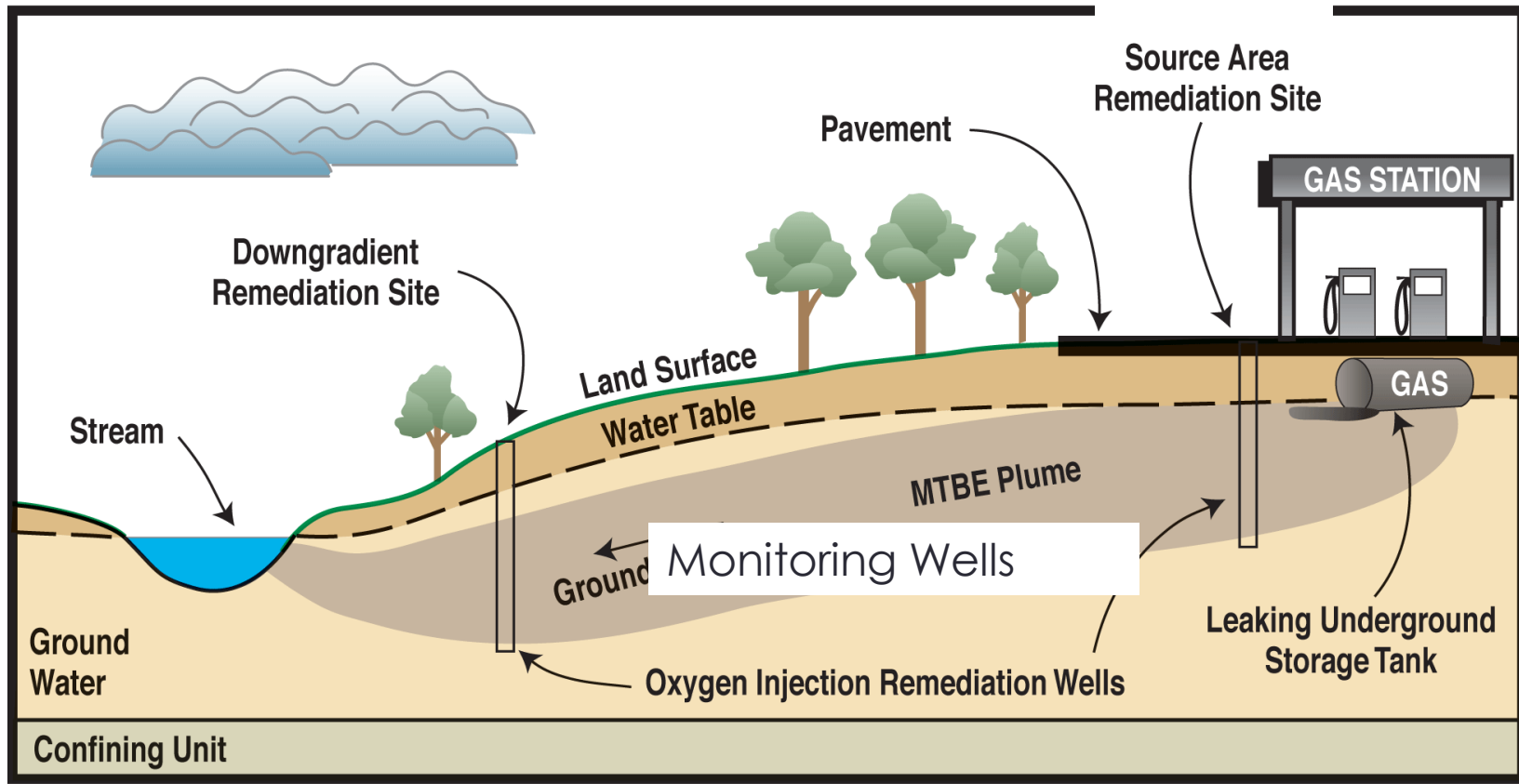
Conduct an Environmental Investigation (Phase I)



Watch out for LNAPL & DNAPL



Look for Groundwater Contamination



When approaching a contaminated site, you may want to look for parts of the property that are not impacted by the contamination

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When Infiltration is not an option

Rain Garden with Relief Drain

Profile

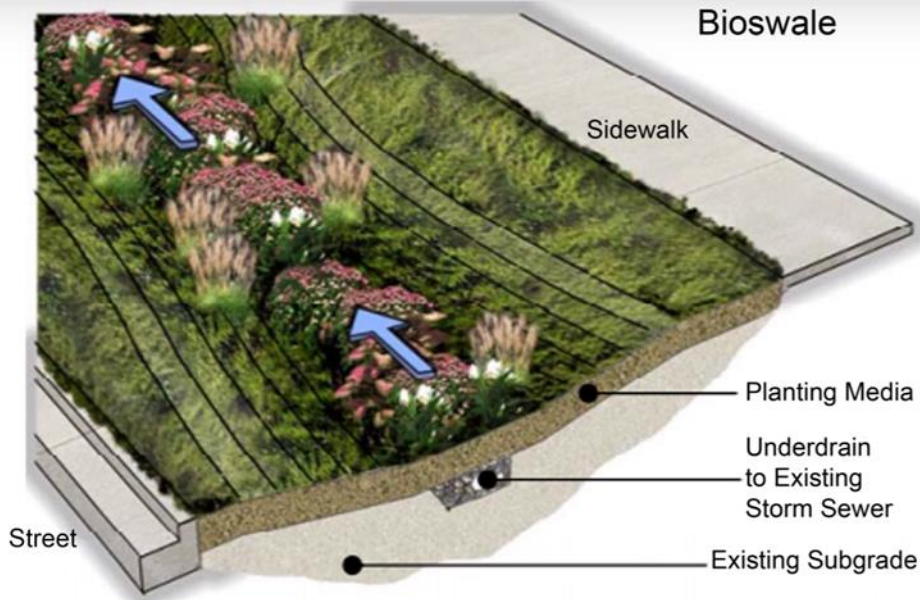


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Source: https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-09/documents/streetscapes_final_7_31_09.pdf

Source: "SOLA: Implementing Stormwater Infiltration Practices at Vacant Parcels and Brownfield Sites." July 2013. EPA Publication Number 905F1300

Example of GSI on a Brownfield – Camden, NJ



Source: EnviroSure Inc, RIW
South Waterfront Service
Station, September 2009



Source: CamdenSmart
http://www.ccmua.org/?page_id=2069

Thank you!

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