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# Source Water Assessment

A Hydrogeologic Susceptibility and  
Vulnerability Assessment for  
Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant  
Well 3003,  
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The Drinking Water Protection Program (DWPP) is producing Source Water Assessments in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996. Each assessment includes a delineation of the source water area, an inventory of potential and existing contaminant sources that may impact the water, a risk ranking for each of these contaminants, and an evaluation of the potential vulnerability of these drinking water sources.

These assessments are intended to provide public water systems owners/operators, communities, and local governments with the best available information that may be used to protect the quality of their drinking water. The assessments combine information obtained from various sources, including the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), public water system owners/operators, and other public information sources. The results of this assessment are subject to change if additional data becomes available. It is anticipated this assessment will be updated every five years to reflect any changes in the vulnerability and/or susceptibility of public drinking water source. If you have any additional information that may affect the results of this assessment, please contact the Program Coordinator of DWPP, (907) 269-7521.

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### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This source water assessment provides an evaluation of the vulnerability to potential contamination of one of the nine wells making up the public water system serving Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant. This Class A (community) water system consists of nine wells in Fort Wainwright, Alaska. This report is an assessment of Well 3003 (PWSID 310918.7) which is used as a backup and also for fire protection. The well received a natural susceptibility rating of **Medium**. This rating is a combination of a susceptibility rating of **Low** for the actual wellheads and a **Very High** rating for the aquifer in which the wells are drawing water from. Identified potential and current sources of contamination for this Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant well include: an airport, cement manufacturing, a firehouse, heavy equipment storage, motor vehicle repair shop, residential area, septic systems, fuel storage tanks, an open dump, a recycling center, DEC recognized contaminated sites, and a Leaking Underground Storage Tank site. These are considered as sources of bacteria and viruses, nitrates and/or nitrites, volatile organic chemicals, heavy metals, cyanide and other inorganic chemicals, synthetic organic chemicals, and other organic chemicals. Combining the natural susceptibility of the well with the contaminant risk, the public water system for Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells received an overall vulnerability rating of **High** for bacteria and viruses, volatile organic chemicals, and other organic chemicals, and **Medium** for nitrates and/or nitrites, heavy metals, cyanide, and other inorganic chemicals, and synthetic organic chemicals.

### FORT WAINWRIGHT WATER TREATMENT PLANT WELLS PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SYSTEM

Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant public water system is a Class A (community) water system. This is an assessment of one of the nine wells making up the public drinking water system serving Fort Wainwright. Well 3003 (PWSID 310918.7) is located on Montgomery Road between Meridian Road and Santiago Avenue in Fort Wainwright, Alaska (T1S, R1E, Section 18) (See Map 1 of Appendix A). Fort Wainwright is located on the southeast side of the town of Fairbanks which is located in the Fairbanks North

Star Borough near the center of Alaska (Please see the inset of Map 1 in Appendix A for location). The Borough's current population is 82,840 making it the second-largest population center in the state (ADCED, 2002). Communities located within the Borough include : College, Eielson Air Force Base, Ester, Fairbanks, Fox, Harding Lake, Moose Creek, North Pole, Pleasant Valley, Salcha, and Two Rivers.

The Fairbanks area includes two distinct topographic areas: the alluvial plain between the Tanana River and the Chena River, and the uplands north of this alluvial plain. The Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells are located in the alluvial plain at an elevation of approximately 450 feet above sea level.

The depth of this well is unknown. Most wells in this area are screened in a combination of sand and gravel, and it is assumed these are also. The alluvial plain consists of alternating layers of silt, sand and gravel up to over 500 feet thick, in some locations overlain by 1 to 10 feet of silt or sandy silt or a few feet of peat (Glass and others, 1996). Discontinuous permafrost (perennially frozen areas) is also common in the alluvial plain. The depth to permafrost in these areas ranges between 2 and 45 feet below the ground surface with the thickness of the permafrost ranging between 5 and 265 feet (Pewe, T.L. 1958. Geology of the Fairbanks (D-2) Quadrangle, Alaska. USGS). Areas with discontinuous permafrost may locally affect the ground water flow directions.

Primarily the Tanana River, but also the Chena River contribute water to this alluvial aquifer. The Chena River typically only contributes water when its stage is high and the Tanana is low (Nelson, 1978). The Tanana River gets approximately 85% of its water from snowmelt of the Alaska Range and 15% from the Yukon-Tanana uplands (Anderson, 1970).

This public drinking water system serves approximately 6,000 residents through approximately 600 service connections.

### FORT WAINWRIGHT WATER TREATMENT PLANT WELLS DRINKING WATER PROTECTION AREA

The pathways most likely for surface contamination to reach the groundwater are identified as the first step in determining a drinking water system's risk. These

areas are determined by looking at the characteristics of the soil, groundwater, aquifer, and well.

The most probable area for contamination to reach the drinking water wells is the area that contributes water to the well, the groundwater capture zone. The groundwater capture zone is located in the area circling the well (the area influenced by pumping) and also the area of the water table upgradient of the well, usually forming a parabola shape.

There are many different ways of calculating the size of capture zones. This assessment uses a combination of two simple groundwater flow equations, the Thiem and uniform flow equations for all groundwater wells screened in unconsolidated material. The orientation of the capture zone is then drawn using a water table elevation map (if available) or a land surface elevation map of the area. The capture zone calculated in this assessment is only a best guess using the information and resources available to us, and may differ slightly from the actual capture zone.

The parameters used to calculate the shape of this capture zone are general for the whole alluvial plain and were obtained from various United State Geological Survey (USGS) reports, well logs in the area, and the Groundwater textbook by Freeze and Cherry (Freeze and Cherry, 1979).

The water table in the area of these Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells, the area between the Tanana and the Chena Rivers, is primarily influenced by the level of water flow in each river. The capture zones were drawn based on three separate configurations of the water table during various stages of the rivers: a period of high stage in the Chena River (October 14-17, 1986), high stage in the Tanana River (July 16-17, 1987), and low stages in both rivers (March 30-April 3, 1988) (Glass and others, 1996). High water levels in the Chena usually occur in the spring due to runoff from the uplands and in late summer due to rainstorms (Nelson, 1978). The Tanana usually experiences high flow during the hot, dry periods of mid-summer when maximum snowmelt from the Alaska Range occurs (Nelson, 1978). Groundwater in this area generally flows toward the northwest, from the Tanana River to the Chena River, however flow is reversed very near the Chena River during its high stage periods (Glass and others, 1996). These flow reversals are of short duration (i.e. days versus months) and of limited extent, generally within 1000 feet of the river (Nakanishi, et al, 1998).

Because of uncertainties and changing site conditions, a factor of safety is added to the groundwater capture zone to form the drinking water protection area for the well.

The protection areas established for wells are usually separated into four zones, limited by the watershed. These zones correspond to times-of-travel (TOT) of the water moving through the aquifer to the well (plus the factor of safety).

The following is a summary of the four zones for wells and the calculated time-of-travel for each:

**Table 1. Definition of Zones**

<b>Zone</b>	<b>Definition</b>
A	¼ the distance for the 2-yr. time-of-travel
B	Less than 2 years time-of-travel
C	Less than 5 years time-of-travel
D	Less than 10 years time-of-travel

The time of travel for *contaminants* within the water varies with their unique physical and chemical characteristics.

The drinking water protection area outlined for the Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells on Map 1 of Appendix A will serve as the focus for voluntary protection efforts.

## **INVENTORY OF POTENTIAL AND EXISTING CONTAMINANT SOURCES**

The Drinking Water Protection Program (DWPP) has completed an inventory of potential and existing sources of contamination within these Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells protection area. This inventory was completed through a search of agency records and other publicly available information. Potential drinking water contaminants are found within agricultural, residential, commercial, and industrial areas, but can also occur within areas that have little or no development.

For the basis of all Class A public water system assessments, six categories of drinking water contaminants were inventoried. They include:

- Bacteria and viruses;
- Nitrates and/or nitrites;
- Volatile organic chemicals;
- Heavy metals, cyanide, and other inorganic chemicals;
- Synthetic organic chemicals; and
- Other inorganic chemicals.

The sources are displayed on Map 2 of Appendix C and summarized in Table 1 of Appendix B.

## **RANKING OF CONTAMINANT RISKS**

Once the potential and existing sources of contamination have been identified, they are each

assigned a ranking according to what type and level of risk they represent. Ranking of contaminant risks for a “potential” or “existing” source of contamination is a combination of toxicity and volume associated with that source. Rankings include:

- Low;
- Medium;
- High; and
- Very High.

Bacteria and Viruses are only inventoried in Zones A and B because of their short life span. Only “Very High” and “High” rankings are inventoried within the outer Zone D due to the probability of contaminant dilution by the time the contaminants get to the well.

Tables 2 through 7 in Appendix B contain the ranking of inventoried potential and existing sources of contamination with respect to the six contaminant categories.

**VULNERABILITY OF FORT WAINWRIGHT WATER TREATMENT PLANT WELLS DRINKING WATER SYSTEM**

Vulnerability of a drinking water source to contamination is a combination of two factors:

- Natural susceptibility; and
- Contaminant risks.

Appendix D contains fourteen charts, which together form the ‘Vulnerability Analysis’ for a source water assessment for a public drinking water source. Chart 1 analyzes the ‘Susceptibility of the Wellhead’ to contamination by looking at the construction of the well and its surrounding area. Chart 2 analyzes the ‘Susceptibility of the Aquifer’ to contamination by looking at the properties of the aquifer and the presence of other wells or boreholes in the area. Chart 3 analyzes ‘Contaminant Risks’ for the drinking water source with respect to Bacteria and Viruses. The ‘Contaminant Risks’ portion of the analysis considers potential sources of contaminants as well as a review of the water system’s contaminant sample results. Lastly, Chart 4 combines the results of the first three charts to produce the ‘Vulnerability Analysis for Bacteria and Viruses’. Charts 5 through 14 contain the Contaminant Risks and Vulnerability Analyses for nitrates and nitrites, volatile organic chemicals, heavy metals, cyanide, and other inorganic chemicals, synthetic organic chemicals, and other organic chemicals, respectively.

A score for the Natural Susceptibility is reached by considering the properties of the well and the aquifer.

Susceptibility of the Wellhead (0 – 25 Points)  
(Chart 1 of Appendix D)

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Susceptibility of the Aquifer (0 – 25 Points)  
(Chart 2 of Appendix D)

=

Natural Susceptibility (Susceptibility of the Well)  
(0 – 50 Points)

A ranking is assigned for the Natural Susceptibility according to the point score:

Natural Susceptibility Ratings	
40 to 50 pts	Very High
30 to < 40 pts	High
20 to < 30 pts	Medium
< 20 pts	Low

The wellhead for the Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells received a Low Susceptibility rating. It is unknown if the well is capped with a sanitary seal, this assessment assumes a sanitary seal is correctly installed on each of the wells. It is unknown if the land surface is sloped away from the well, this assessment assumes it does. It is also unknown if the well is grouted, this assessment assumed it is not. A sanitary seal prevents potential contaminants from entering the well from the inside while sloping the land surface away from the well and grouting help to prevent potential contaminants from traveling down the outside of the well casing.

The aquifer in the area the Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells well is completed in received a Very High Susceptibility rating. The highly transmissive aquifer material (sand and gravel) in the area allows contaminants to travel downward from the surface with the precipitation and surface water runoff. The shallow water table allows potential contaminants to come into contact with the water table with little natural filtering where they can disperse quickly. Additionally, wells in the area can provide a quick pathway for contaminants to reach the aquifer. Table 2 summarizes the Susceptibility scores and ratings for Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells.

**Table 2. Susceptibility**

	<b>Score</b>	<b>Rating</b>
Susceptibility of the Wellhead	5	Low
Susceptibility of the Aquifer	20	Very High
Natural Susceptibility	25	Medium

The Contaminant Risk has been derived from an evaluation of the routine sampling results of the water system and the presence of potential sources of contamination. Contaminant risks to a drinking water source depend on the type and distribution of contaminant sources. Flow charts are used to assign a point score, and ratings are assigned in the same way as for the natural susceptibility:

<b>Contaminant Risk Ratings</b>	
40 to 50 pts	Very High
30 to < 40 pts	High
20 to < 30 pts	Medium
< 20 pts	Low

Table 3 summarizes the Contaminant Risks for each category of drinking water contaminants.

**Table 3. Contaminant Risks**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Rating</b>
Bacteria and Viruses	50	Very High
Nitrates and/or Nitrites	20	Medium
Volatile Organic Chemicals	40	Very High
Heavy Metals, Cyanide, and Other Inorganic Chemicals	40	Very High
Synthetic Organic Chemicals	10	Low
Other Organic Chemicals	30	High

Finally, an overall vulnerability score is assigned for each water system by combining each of the contaminant risk scores with the natural susceptibility score:

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{Natural Susceptibility (0 – 50 points)} \\
 + \\
 \text{Contaminant Risks (0 – 50 points)} \\
 = \\
 \text{Vulnerability of the} \\
 \text{Drinking Water Source to Contamination (0 – 100).}
 \end{array}$$

Again, rankings are assigned according to a point score:

<b>Overall Vulnerability Ratings</b>	
80 to 100 pts	Very High
60 to < 80 pts	High
40 to < 60 pts	Medium
< 40 pts	Low

Table 4 contains the overall vulnerability scores (0 – 100) and ratings for each of the six categories of drinking water contaminants. Note: scores are rounded off to the nearest five.

**Table 4. Overall Vulnerability**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Score</b>	<b>Rating</b>
Bacteria and Viruses	80	Very High
Nitrates and/or Nitrites	50	Medium
Volatile Organic Chemicals	70	High
Heavy Metals, Cyanide, and Other Inorganic Chemicals	70	High
Synthetic Organic Chemicals	40	Medium
Other Organic Chemicals	60	High

**Bacteria and Viruses**

Although there are no potential sources of Bacteria and Viruses identified in the protection area, coliforms (a bacteria) have been detected during recent sampling.

Only a small amount of bacteria and viruses are required to endanger public health. Coliforms are found naturally in the environment and although they aren't necessarily a health threat, it is an indicator of other potentially harmful bacteria in the water, more specifically, fecal coliforms and E. coli which only come from human and animal fecal waste (EPA, 2002). Harmful bacteria can cause diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms (EPA, 2002). Routine sampling has most recently detected coliforms in the water on 9/4/01 (verified on 9/6/01). Fecal coliform and E. Coli were not detected in the water.

After combining the contaminant risk for bacteria and viruses with the natural susceptibility of the well, the overall vulnerability of the well to contamination is very high.

**Nitrates and Nitrites**

The Class V Large-Capacity Septic Systems in Zone C represent the greatest risk of nitrates and nitrites for this source of public drinking water.

A Class V Large-Capacity Septic System differs from a residential septic system when it receives sanitary waste from multiple family residences or a non-residential

establishment and has the capacity to serve 20 or more persons per day.

Nitrates are very mobile, moving at approximately the same rate as water. Nitrates have not been detected in significant concentrations during recent sampling history for the Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells.

After combining the contaminant risk for nitrates and nitrites with the natural susceptibility of the well, the overall vulnerability of the well to contamination is medium.

### **Volatile Organic Chemicals**

The airport represents the greatest risk for volatile organic chemical contamination to the well.

Volatile Organic Chemicals have not been detected during routine sampling of this water system. After combining the contaminant risk for volatile organic chemicals with the natural susceptibility of the well, the overall vulnerability of the well to contamination is high.

### **Heavy Metals, Cyanide, and Other Inorganic Chemicals**

The cement manufacturing represents the greatest risk to heavy metals for this source of public drinking water.

Antimony and Beryllium have been detected in extremely small concentrations with respect to their Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCL). A MCL is the concentration of a contaminant allowed in the drinking water by the Environmental Protection Area (EPA). No other heavy metals were not detected during recent sampling.

After combining the contaminant risk for heavy metals, cyanide and other inorganic chemicals with the natural susceptibility of the well, the overall vulnerability of the well to contamination is medium.

### **Synthetic Organic Chemicals**

The airport represents the greatest risk for synthetic organic chemical contamination to this well.

Synthetic Organic Chemicals have not detected during routine sampling in the Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant water system.

After combining the contaminant risk for synthetic organic chemicals with the natural susceptibility of the well, the overall vulnerability of the well to contamination is medium.

### **Other Organic Chemicals**

The cement manufacturing represents the greatest risk for other organic chemical contamination to the well.

Other Organic Chemicals have not been detected during routine sampling in the Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant water system.

After combining the contaminant risk for other organic chemicals with the natural susceptibility of the well, the overall vulnerability of the well to contamination is high.

### **Existing Contaminated Sites**

There are approximately 17 ADEC-recognized contaminated sites and one Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) site located within the protection area (displayed on Map 2 Appendix C). The locations of these sites are approximate and may be at the center of the zipcode boundaries the actual site is located in. The ADEC Contaminated Sites program has identified, assessed, and is ensuring cleanup of these sites based on their prioritized order. Priority is based on risk to human health and the environment, including risk to public drinking water wells. Specific information on each site can be found on the internet at [http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/cs/search/csites/csites\\_search.asp](http://www.dec.state.ak.us/spar/cs/search/csites/csites_search.asp) for contaminated sites or <http://info.dec.state.ak.us/SPAR/CSP/UST/Search/> for LUST sites or by calling the ADEC Contaminated Sites Program at (907) 269-7658.

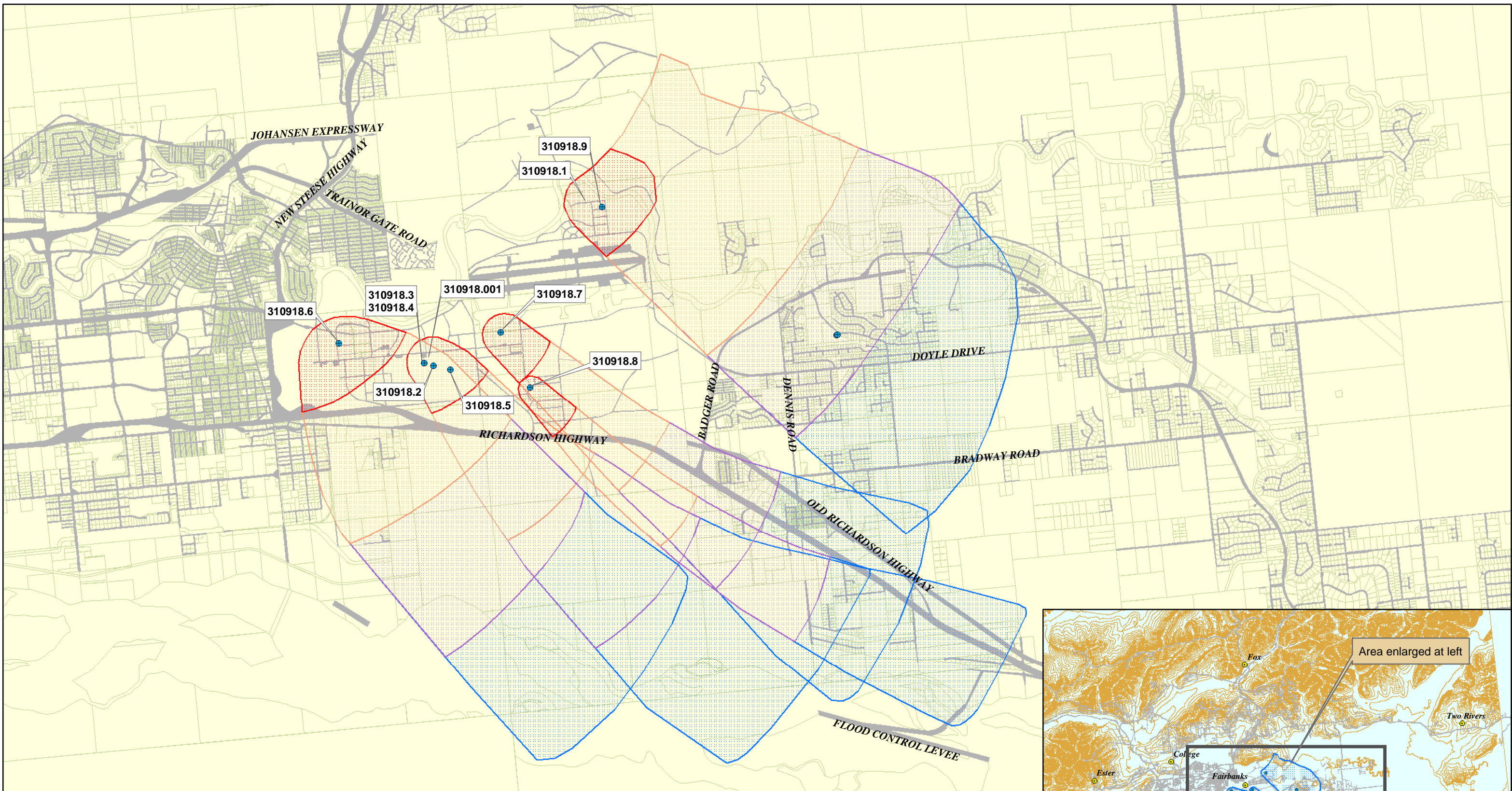


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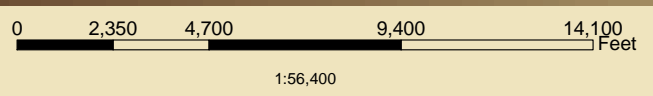
## **APPENDIX A**

### **Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells Drinking Water Protection Area Location Map (Map 1)**



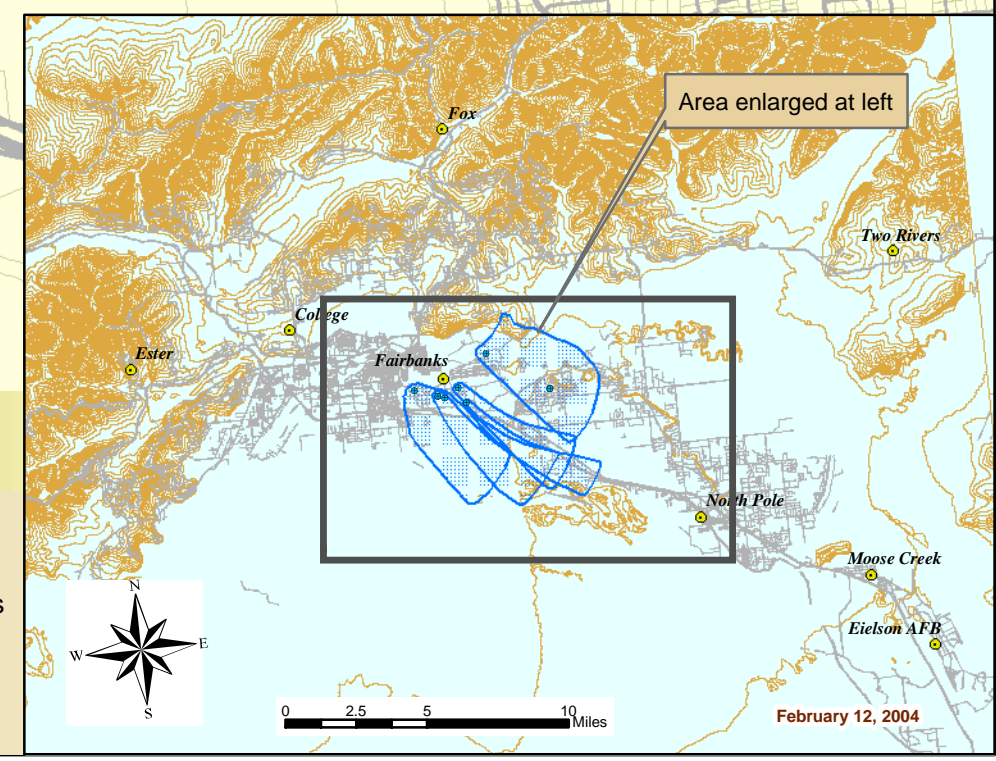
**Map 1: Fort Wainwright Drinking Water Protection Areas**

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- Legend**
- Zone A Several months travel time
  - Zone B Less than 2 years travel time
  - Zone C Less than 5 years travel time
  - Zone D Less than 10 years travel time
  - Surface water
  - Roads
  - Parcels

**Data Sources:**  
 Parcel, roads - Fairbanks North Star Borough  
 Water bodies, railroad - Geographic Data Technology  
 Elevation contours - USGS digital elevation models (DEMs)



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## **APPENDIX B**

### **Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells (Tables 1-7)**

**Table 1**

**Contaminant Source Inventory for  
Ft Wainwright / Wtr Trtmt Plt**

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<b>Contaminant Source Type</b>	<b>Contaminant Source ID</b>	<b>CS ID tag</b>	<b>Zone</b>	<b>Map Number</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Airports	X14	X14-1	A	2	
Cement manufacturing	I08	I08-1	B	2	3540 Old Richardson Hwy
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-01	B	2	West of Luzon Ave South of 341; FTWW (wP) Bldg. 3423 Motor Pool; File Number 108.26.007
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-02	B	2	East of Luzon Ave; FTWW (2P) Bldg 3425 UST 323; File Number 108.26.014
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-03	B	2	Motor Pool; FTWW (2P) Bldg 3421 Motor Pool; File number 108.38.038
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-04	B	2	West of Luzon Avenue; FTWW (2P) Bldg 3421 UST 322; File Number 108.26.018
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-05	B	2	Off Montgomery Road; FTWW (OU-4) FTWW 037 FireTrain Area; File Number 108.38.070
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-06	B	2	River Road; FTWW (2P) Bldg 1191 Landfil Garag; File Number 108.26.040
Firehouses	X38	X38-1	B	2	3481 Old Richardson Hwy
Heavy equipment rental/storage	C18	C18-1	C	2	1585 Richardson Highway
Motor /motor vehicle repair shops	C31	C31-1	C	2	1410 Richardson Hwy
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	C	2	1308 Sloan
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	C	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	C	2	Approximately 50 acres of residential area
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02		C	2	Assumed 73 septic based on number of parcels designated as residential
Tanks, heating oil, residential (above ground)	R08		C	2	Assumed 73 tanks based on number of parcels designated as residential
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-07	C	2	Landfill Adjacent to DRMO; FTWW (OU-1) Site N-4 FTWW-074; File Number 108.38.068
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-08	C	2	DRMO yard; FTWW (2P) Bldg 5004; File Number 108.26.011
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-09	C	2	Badger Road; FTWW (OU-2) FTWW 047 DRMO; File Number 108.38.069
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-10	C	2	1334 Sloan Street; AHFC Properties; RecKey 1993310129201
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-11	C	2	869-85 Conley Avenue; Denny Properties; RecKey 1995310133501
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-12	C	2	1410 Richardson Hwy; Tri-Tech Automotive; RecKey 1990310109401

<i>Contaminant Source Type</i>	<i>Contaminant Source ID</i>	<i>CS ID tag</i>	<i>Zone</i>	<i>Map Number</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-13	C	2	727 Richardson Highway; Six Mile Truck Stop; RecKey 1987310924701
Closed Leaking Underground Fuel Storage Tank (LUST) Sites	U08	U08-1	C	2	2571 Old Richardson Hwy
Open dumps	U09	U09-1	C	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	D	2	1463 Westcott Lane
Recycling and waste reduction facilities	D57	D55-1	D	2	1409 Dennis Road
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-15	D	2	1491 New Richardson Hwy; Holder Property; RecKey 1995310909101
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-16	D	2	Bethany St & Frontage Rd; McCall Property; RecKey 1989310902501
Contaminated sites, DEC recognized, non-Superfund, non-RCRA	U04	U04-17	D	2	1792 Tootie Street; FDIC Tootie Street-North Pole; RecKey 1990310124801

**Table 2**

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Ft Wainwright / Wtr Trtmt Plt  
Sources of Bacteria and Viruses*

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<i>Contaminant Source Type</i>	<i>Contaminant Source ID</i>	<i>CS ID tag</i>	<i>Zone</i>	<i>Risk Ranking for Analysis</i>	<i>Map Number</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	D	High	2	1463 Westcott Lane

**Table 3**

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Ft Wainwright / Wtr Trtmt Plt  
Sources of Nitrates/Nitrites*

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<i>Contaminant Source Type</i>	<i>Contaminant Source ID</i>	<i>CS ID tag</i>	<i>Zone</i>	<i>Risk Ranking for Analysis</i>	<i>Map Number</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Airports	X14	X14-1	A	Low	2	
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02		C	Low	2	Assumed 73 septic based on number of parcels designated as residential
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	C	High	2	1308 Sloan
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	C	High	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	C	Low	2	Approximately 50 acres of residential area
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	D	High	2	1463 Westcott Lane



**Table 4**

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Ft Wainwright / Wtr Trtmt Plt  
Sources of Volatile Organic Chemicals*

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<i>Contaminant Source Type</i>	<i>Contaminant Source ID</i>	<i>CS ID tag</i>	<i>Zone</i>	<i>Risk Ranking for Analysis</i>	<i>Map Number</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Airports	X14	X14-1	A	High	2	
Cement manufacturing	I08	I08-1	B	High	2	3540 Old Richardson Hwy
Firehouses	X38	X38-1	B	Low	2	3481 Old Richardson Hwy
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02		C	Low	2	Assumed 73 septics based on number of parcels designated as residential
Tanks, heating oil, residential (above ground)	R08		C	Medium	2	Assumed 73 tanks based on number of parcels designated as residential
Heavy equipment rental/storage	C18	C18-1	C	Medium	2	1585 Richardson Highway
Motor /motor vehicle repair shops	C31	C31-1	C	Medium	2	1410 Richardson Hwy
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	C	Low	2	1308 Sloan
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	C	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	C	Low	2	Approximately 50 acres of residential area
Open dumps	U09	U09-1	C	High	2	

Table 5

Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Ft Wainwright / Wtr Trtmt Plt

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Sources of Heavy Metals, Cyanide and Other Inorganic Chemicals

<i>Contaminant Source Type</i>	<i>Contaminant Source ID</i>	<i>CS ID tag</i>	<i>Zone</i>	<i>Risk Ranking for Analysis</i>	<i>Map Number</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Airports	X14	X14-1	A	Low	2	
Cement manufacturing	I08	I08-1	B	Medium	2	3540 Old Richardson Hwy
Firehouses	X38	X38-1	B	Low	2	3481 Old Richardson Hwy
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02		C	Low	2	Assumed 73 septic based on number of parcels designated as residential
Heavy equipment rental/storage	C18	C18-1	C	Low	2	1585 Richardson Highway
Motor /motor vehicle repair shops	C31	C31-1	C	Medium	2	1410 Richardson Hwy
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	C	Low	2	1308 Sloan
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	C	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	C	Low	2	Approximately 50 acres of residential area
Open dumps	U09	U09-1	C	High	2	
Recycling and waste reduction facilities	D57	D55-1	D	High	2	1409 Dennis Road

Table 6

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
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Sources of Synthetic Organic Chemicals*

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<i>Contaminant Source Type</i>	<i>Contaminant Source ID</i>	<i>CS ID tag</i>	<i>Zone</i>	<i>Risk Ranking for Analysis</i>	<i>Map Number</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Airports	X14	X14-1	A	Medium	2	
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02		C	Low	2	Assumed 73 septic based on number of parcels designated as residential
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	C	Low	2	1308 Sloan
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	C	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	C	Low	2	Approximately 50 acres of residential area
Open dumps	U09	U09-1	C	Medium	2	

**Table 7**

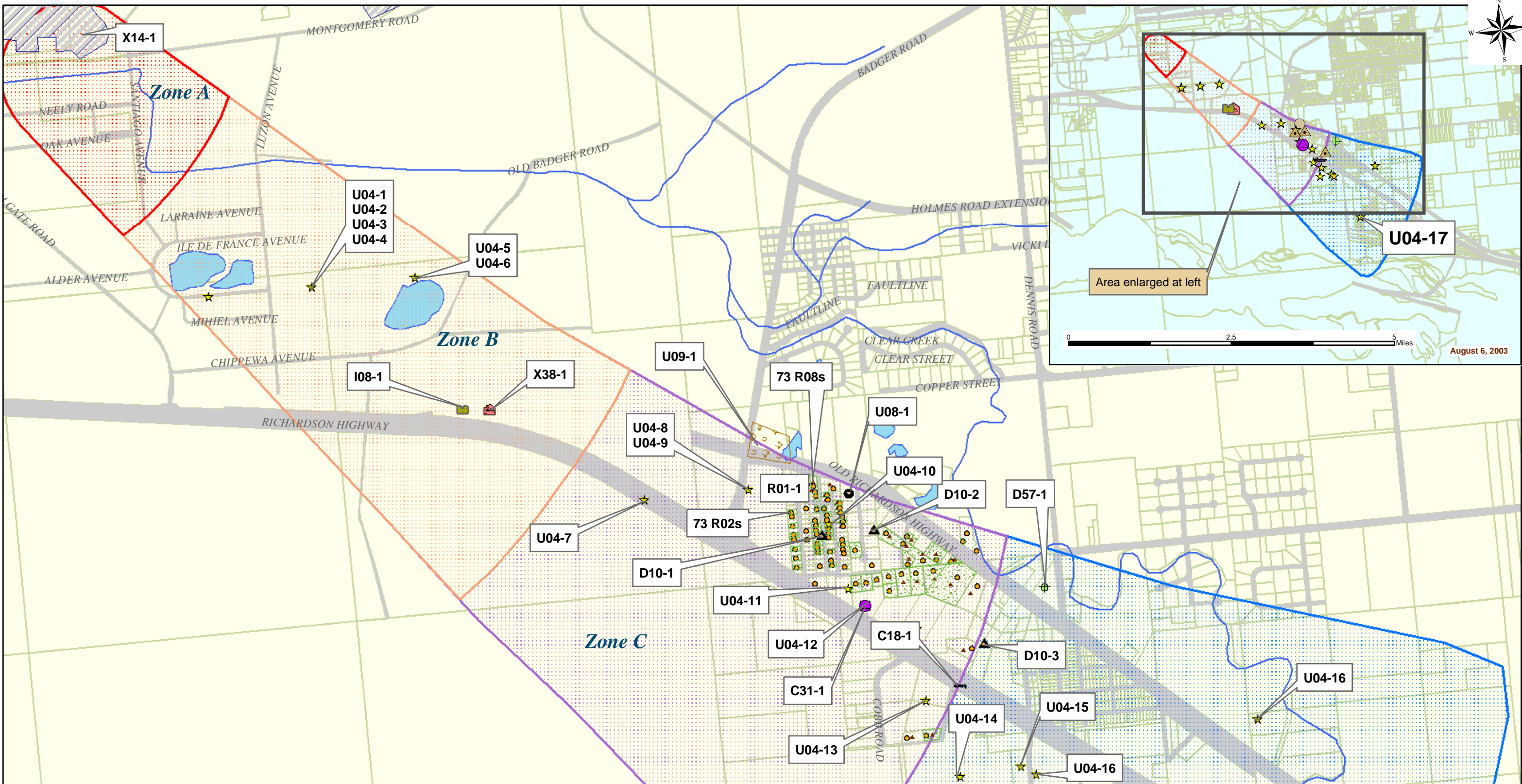
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Sources of Other Organic Chemicals*

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Airports	X14	X14-1	A	Medium	2	
Cement manufacturing	I08	I08-1	B	Very High	2	3540 Old Richardson Hwy
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02		C	Low	2	Assumed 73 septic systems based on number of parcels designated as residential
Heavy equipment rental/storage	C18	C18-1	C	Medium	2	1585 Richardson Highway
Motor /motor vehicle repair shops	C31	C31-1	C	Medium	2	1410 Richardson Hwy
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	C	Low	2	1308 Sloan
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	C	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	C	Low	2	Approximately 50 acres of residential area
Open dumps	U09	U09-1	C	Medium	2	

## **APPENDIX C**

### **Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells Drinking Water Protection Area and Potential and Existing Contaminant Sources (Map 2)**



Map 2: Ft Wainwright Well 3003 Potential Contaminant Sources

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0 700 1,400 2,800 4,200 Feet  
1 inch equals 1,400 feet

**Data Sources:**

Parcel, roads - Fairbanks North Star Borough  
Water bodies - US Tiger2000 Census Data  
Elevation contours - USGS digital elevation models (DEMs)  
DEC-recognized contaminated site locations are approximate

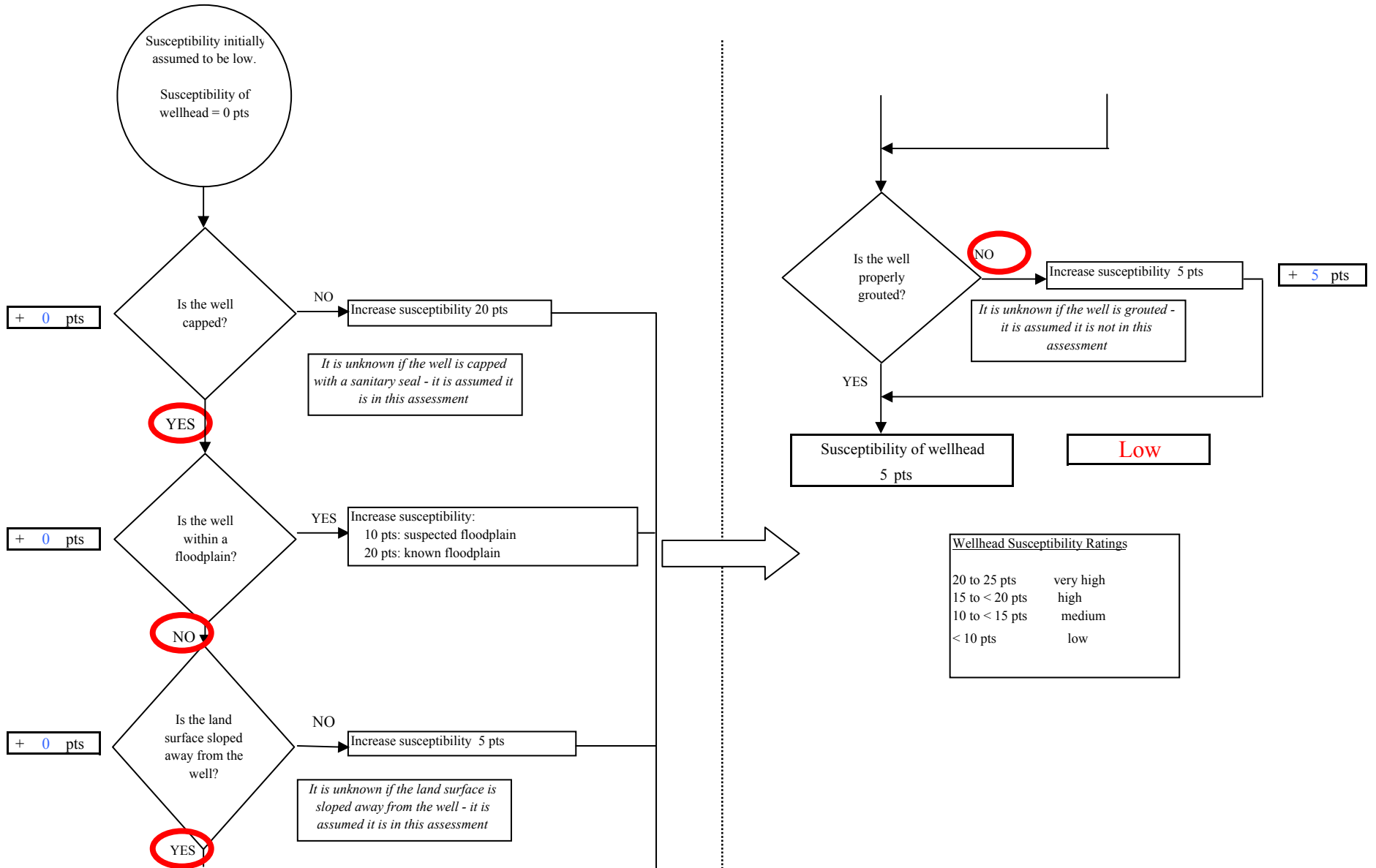
**Legend**

- |                                |                                       |                              |                                 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| C18, Heavy equipment storage   | I08, Cement manufacturing             | U9, Open dump                | R02, Residential septic systems |
| C31, Motor vehicle repair shop | T16, Heating oil tank                 | X14, Airport                 | Surface water                   |
| D10, Class V septic system     | U04, DEC-recognized contaminated site | R01, Residential area        | Roads                           |
| D57, Recycling facility        | U08, Closed LUST site                 | R08, Residential heating oil | Parcels                         |
| X38, Firehouse                 |                                       |                              |                                 |

## **APPENDIX D**

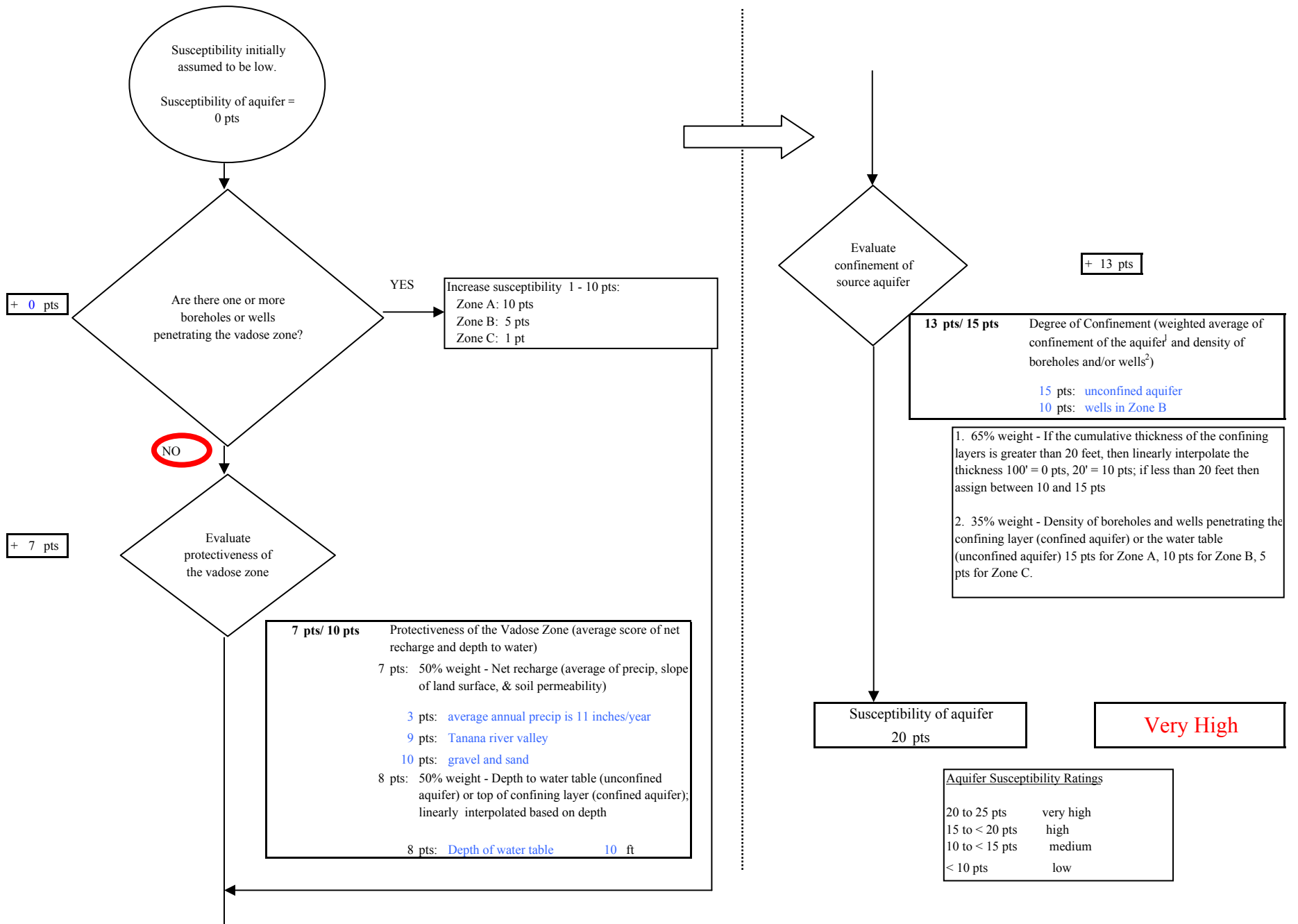
### **Vulnerability Analysis for Fort Wainwright Water Treatment Plant wells Public Drinking Water Source (Charts 1-14)**

**Chart 1. Susceptibility of the wellhead - Ft Wainwright Well 3003**

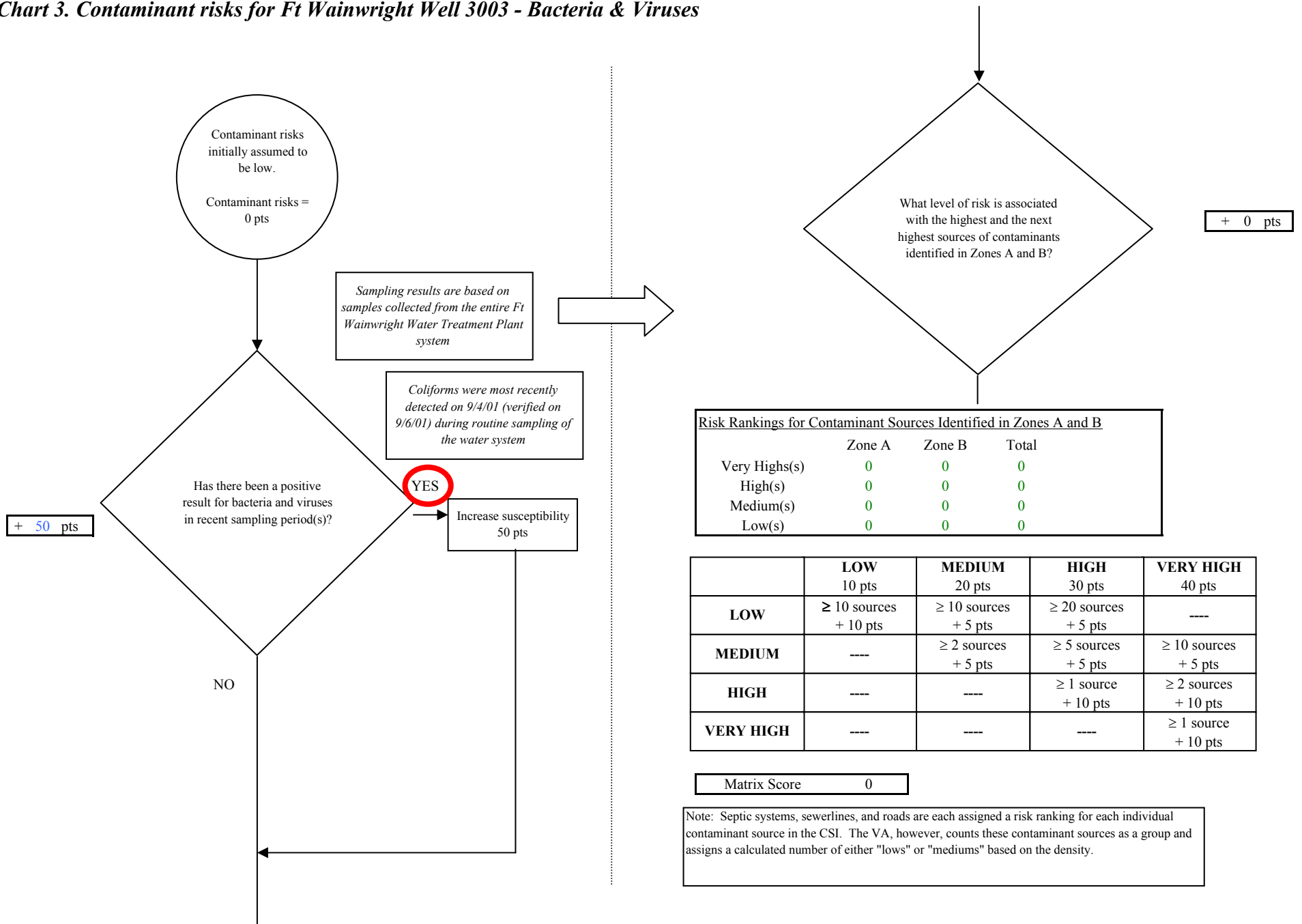




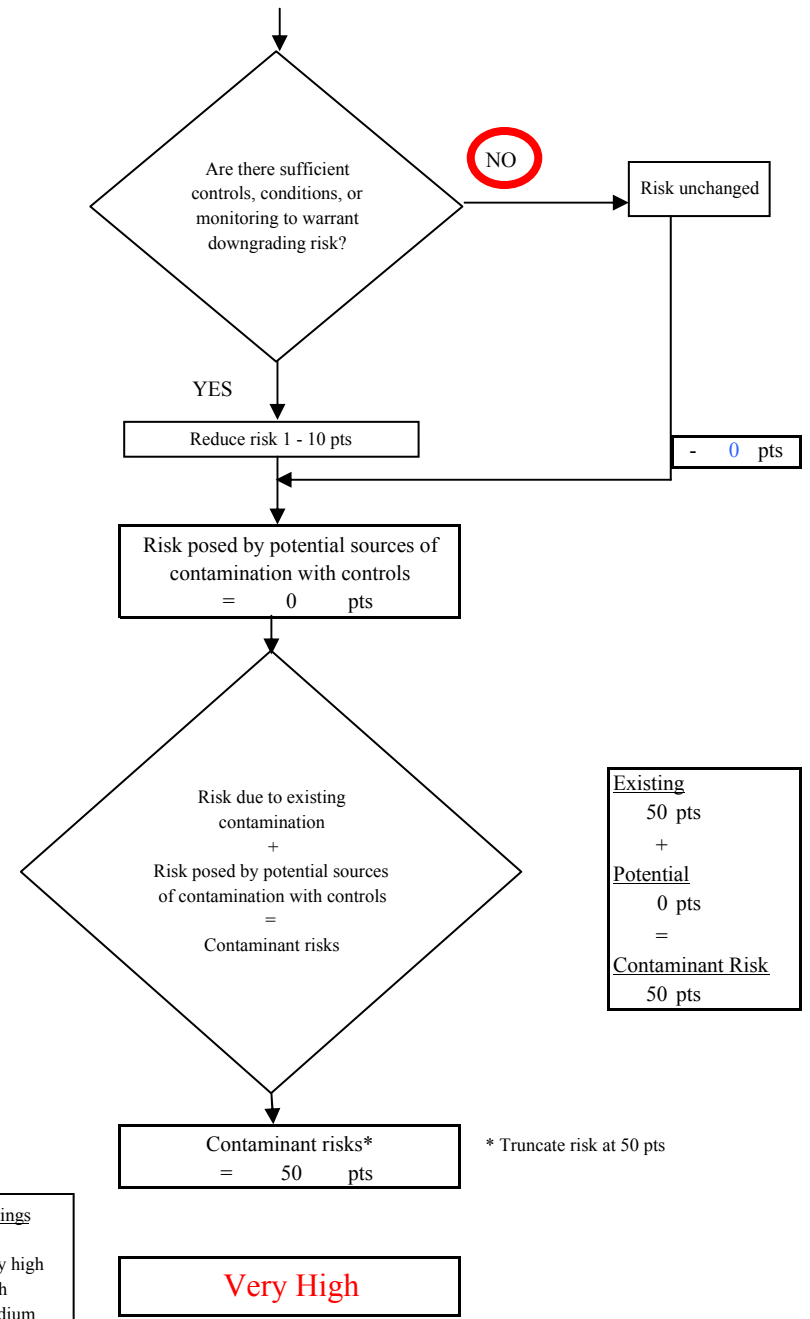
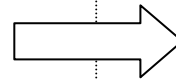
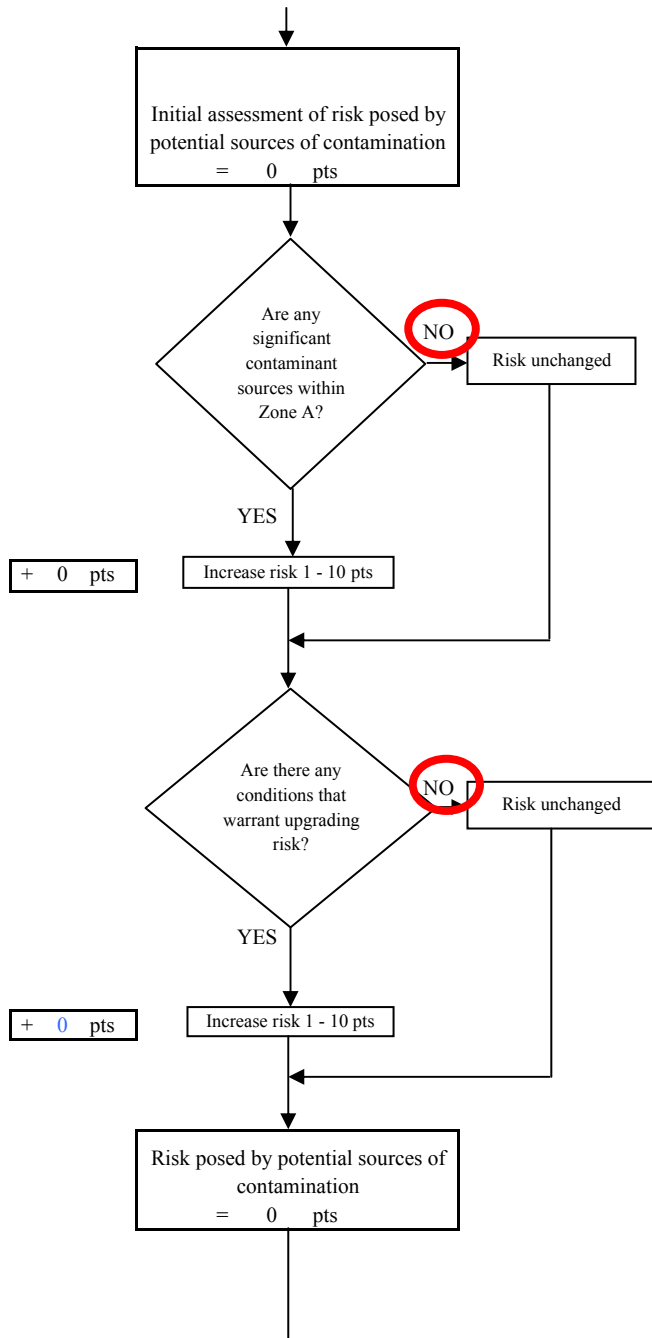
**Chart 2. Susceptibility of the aquifer - Ft Wainwright Well 3003**



**Chart 3. Contaminant risks for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Bacteria & Viruses**



**Chart 3. Contaminant risks for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Bacteria & Viruses**



Contaminant Risk Ratings	
40 to 50 pts	very high
30 to < 40 pts	high
20 to < 30 pts	medium
< 20 pts	low

**Chart 4. Vulnerability analysis for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Bacteria & Viruses**

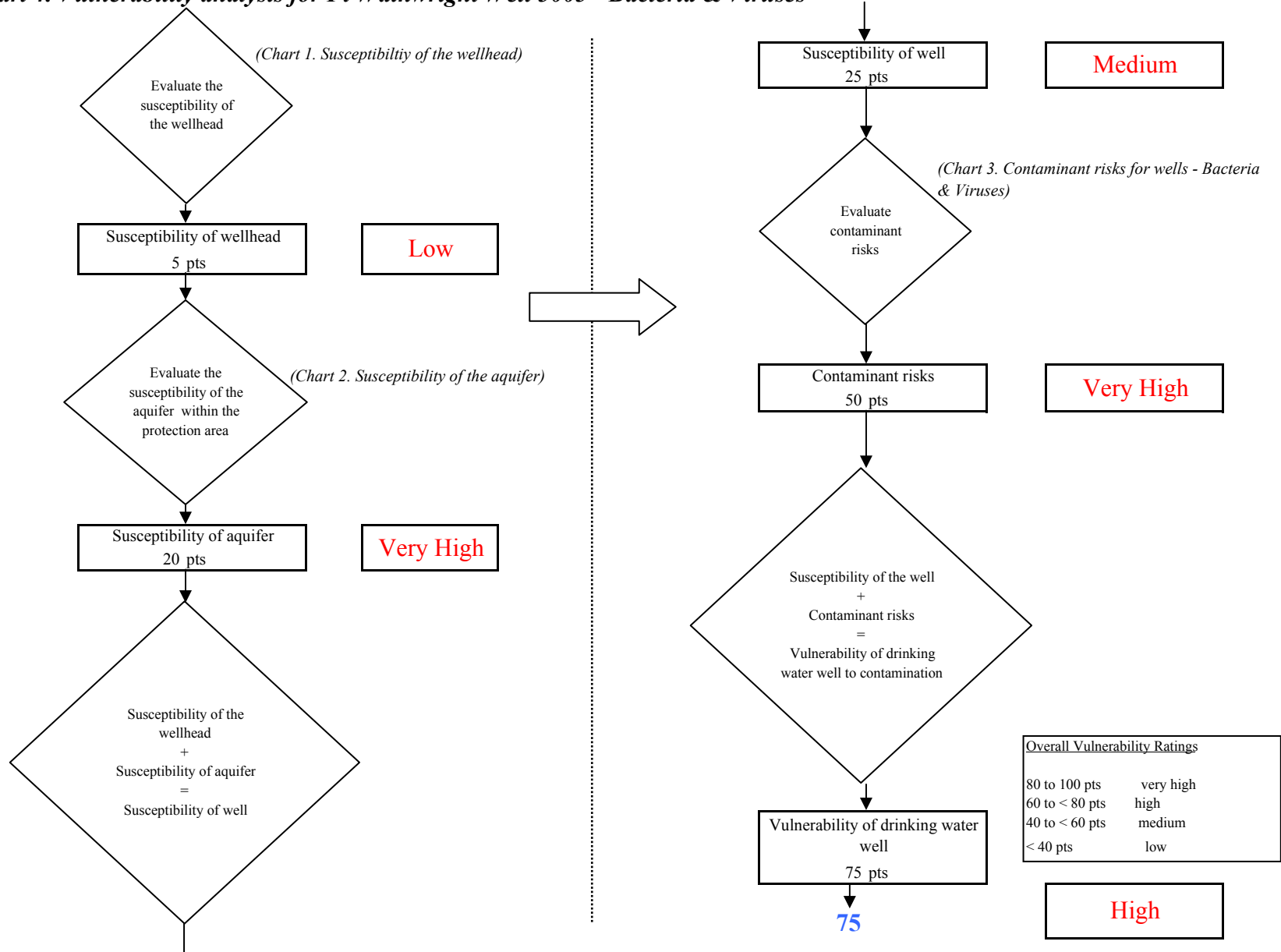


Chart 5. Contaminant risks for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Nitrates and Nitrites

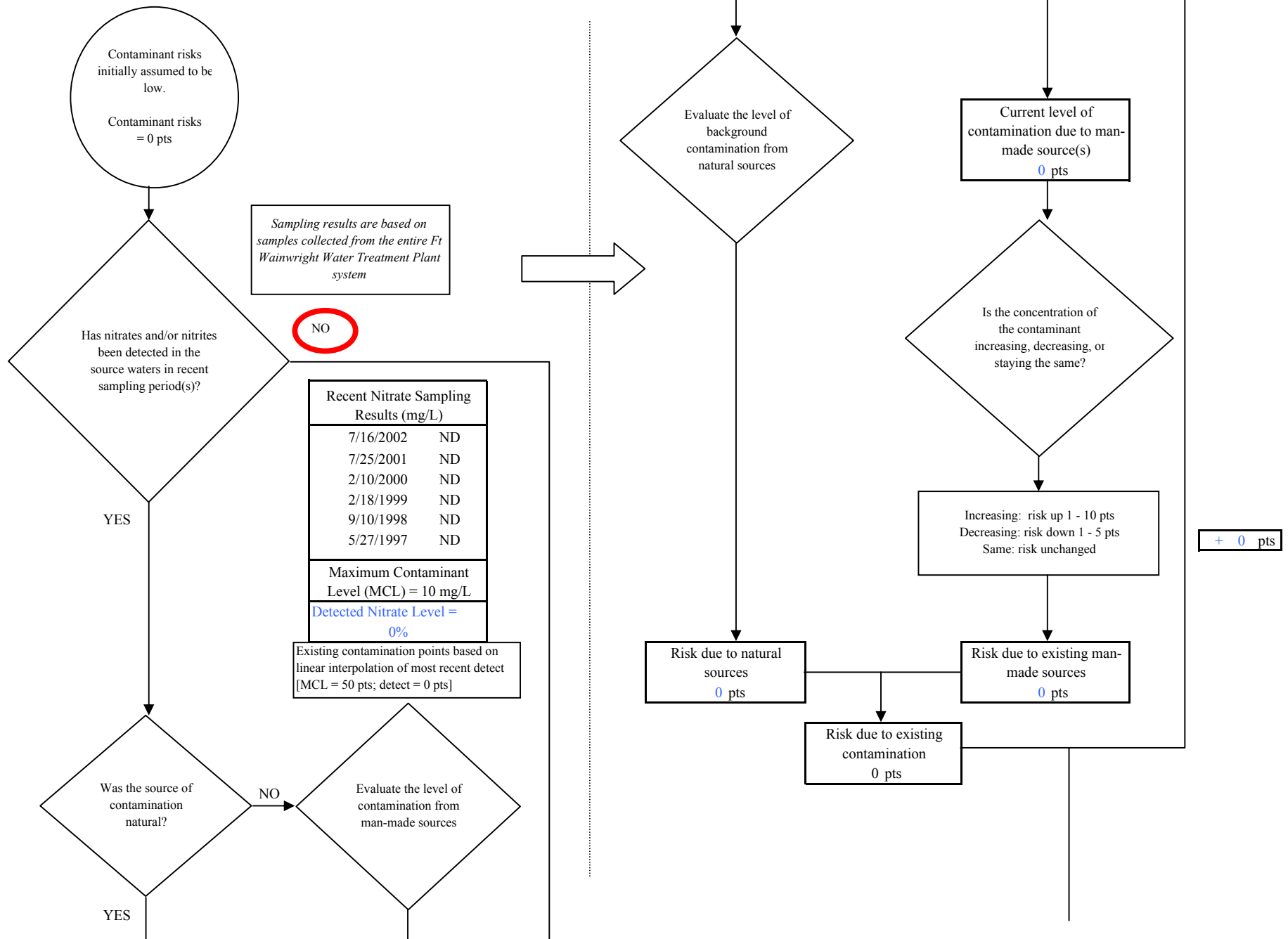
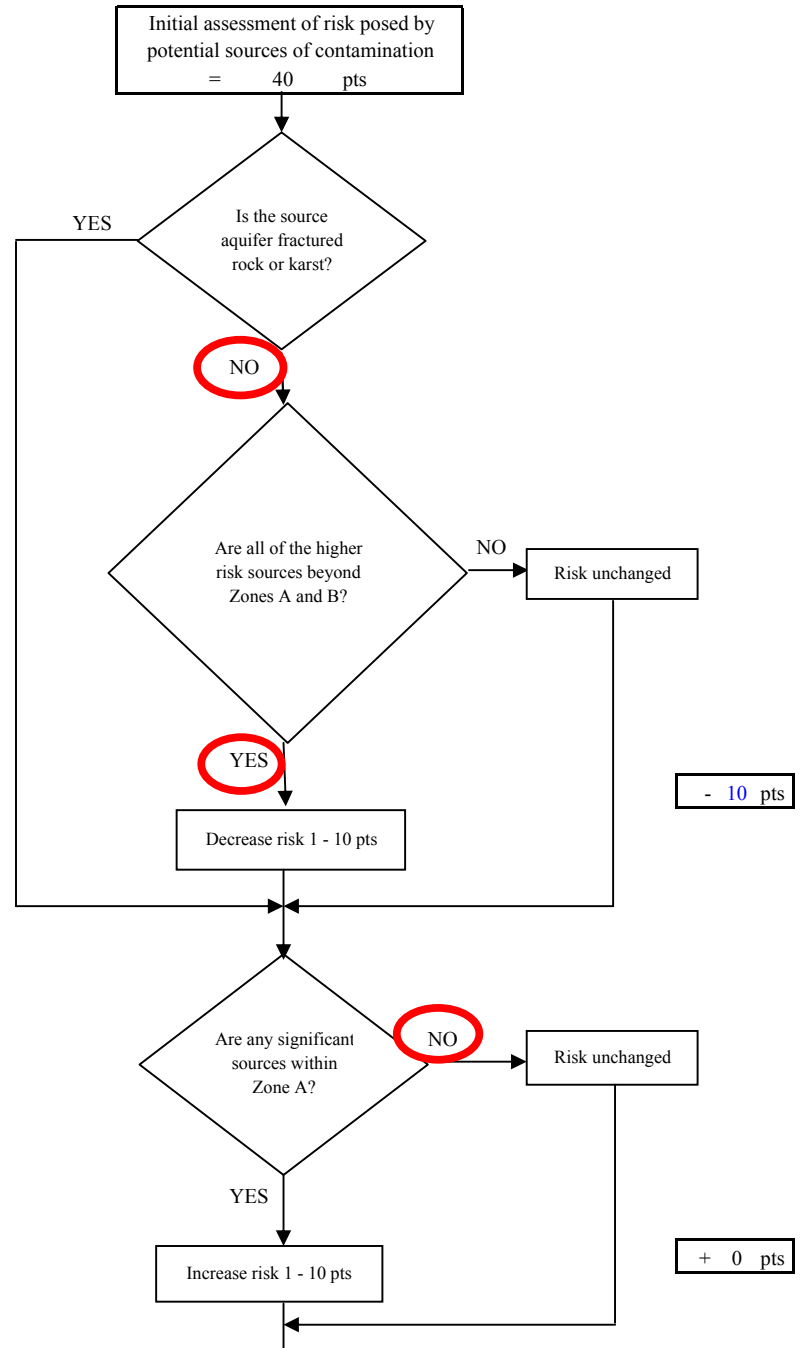
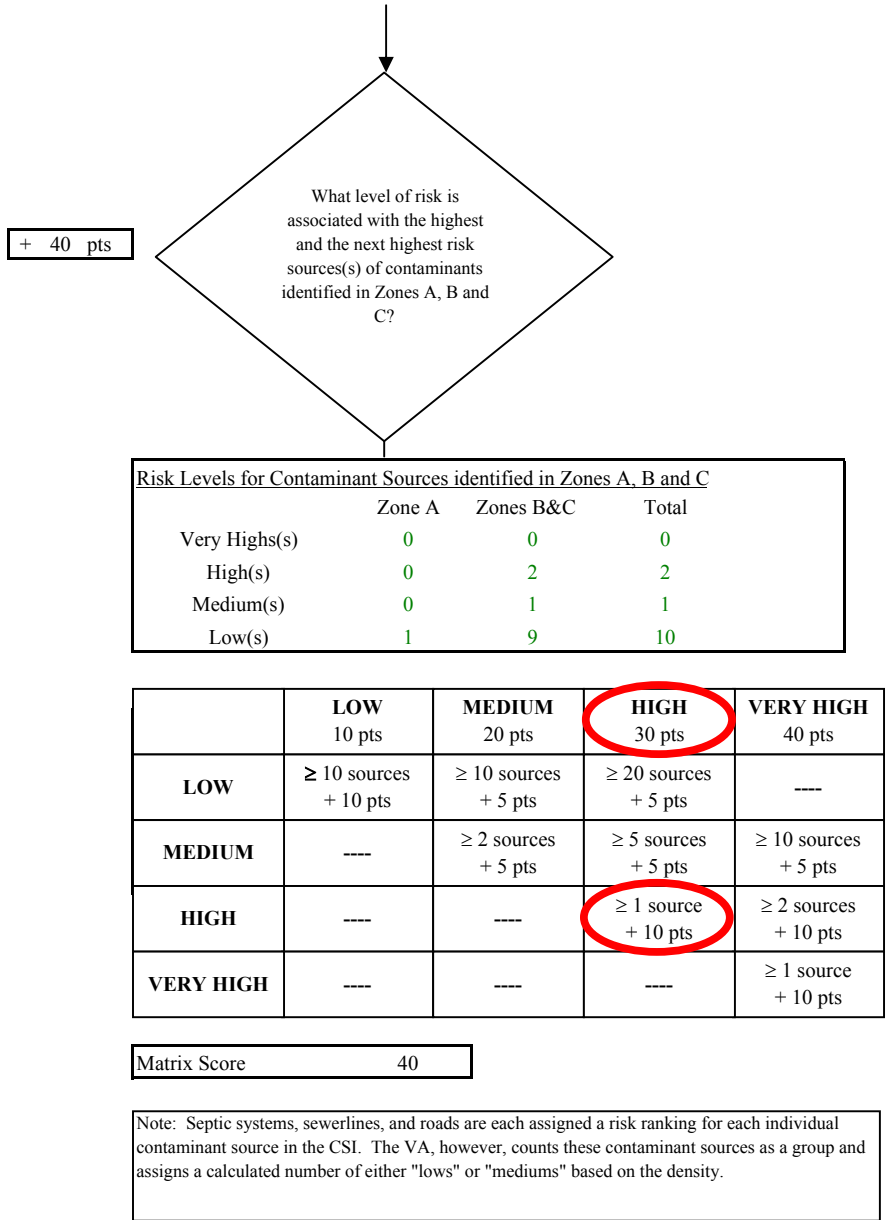
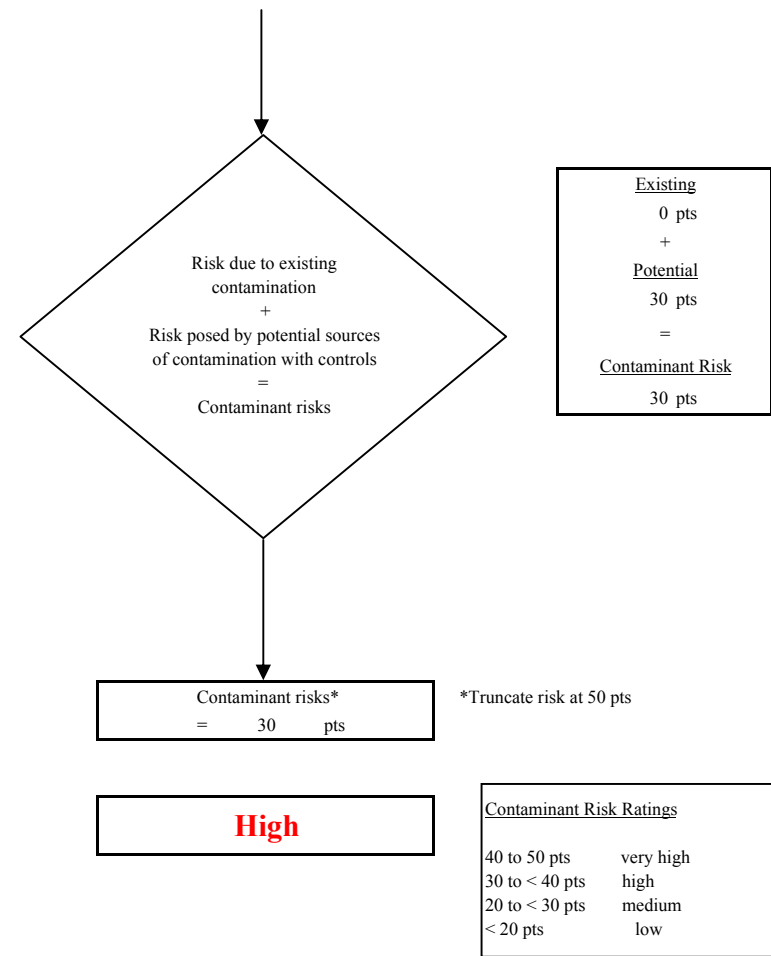
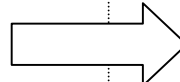
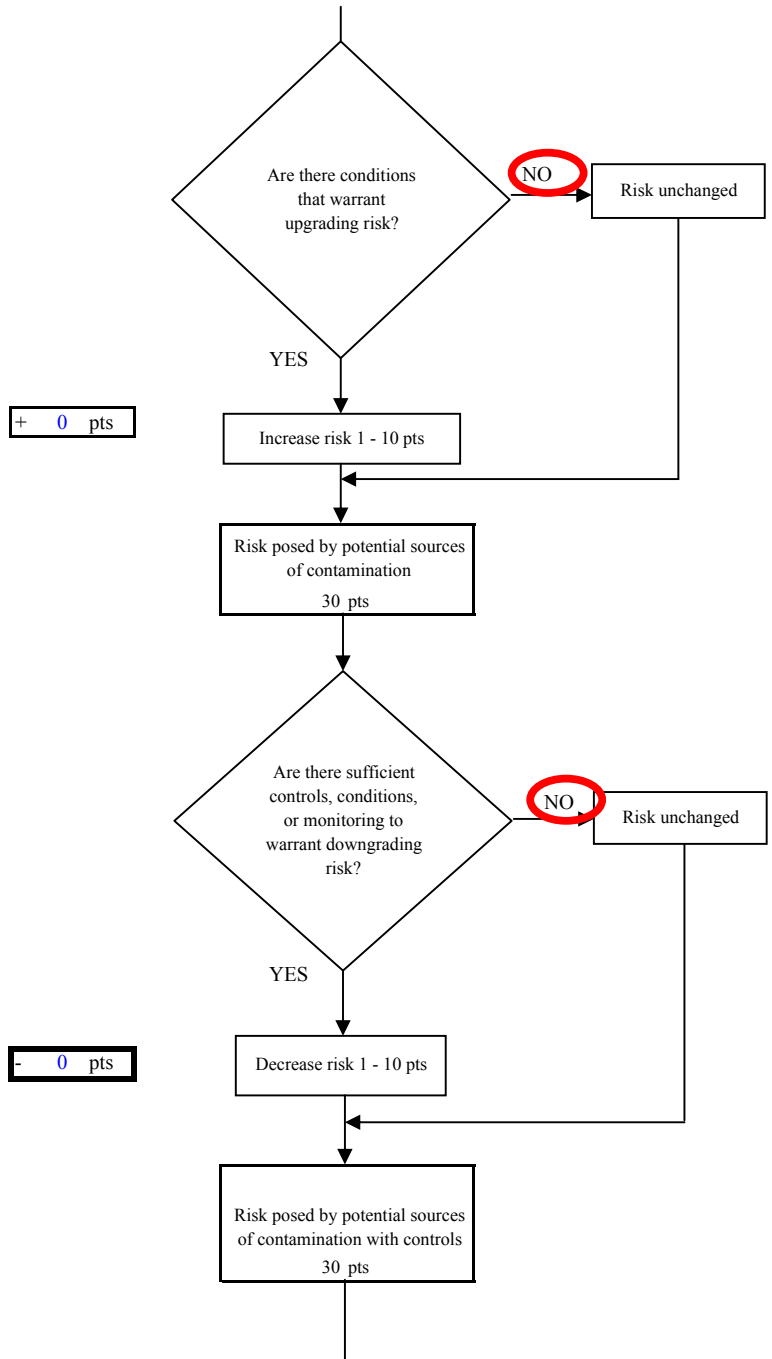


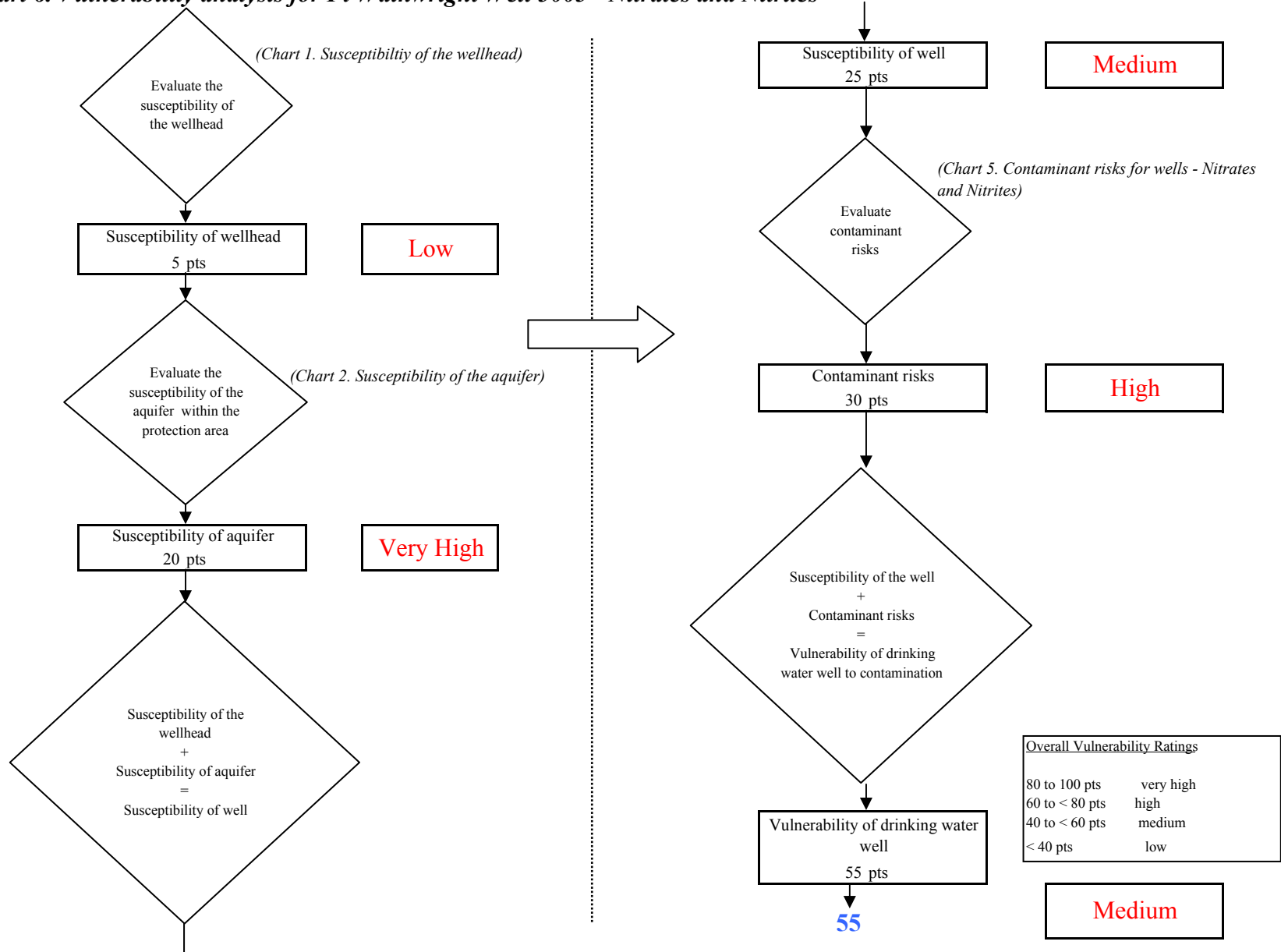
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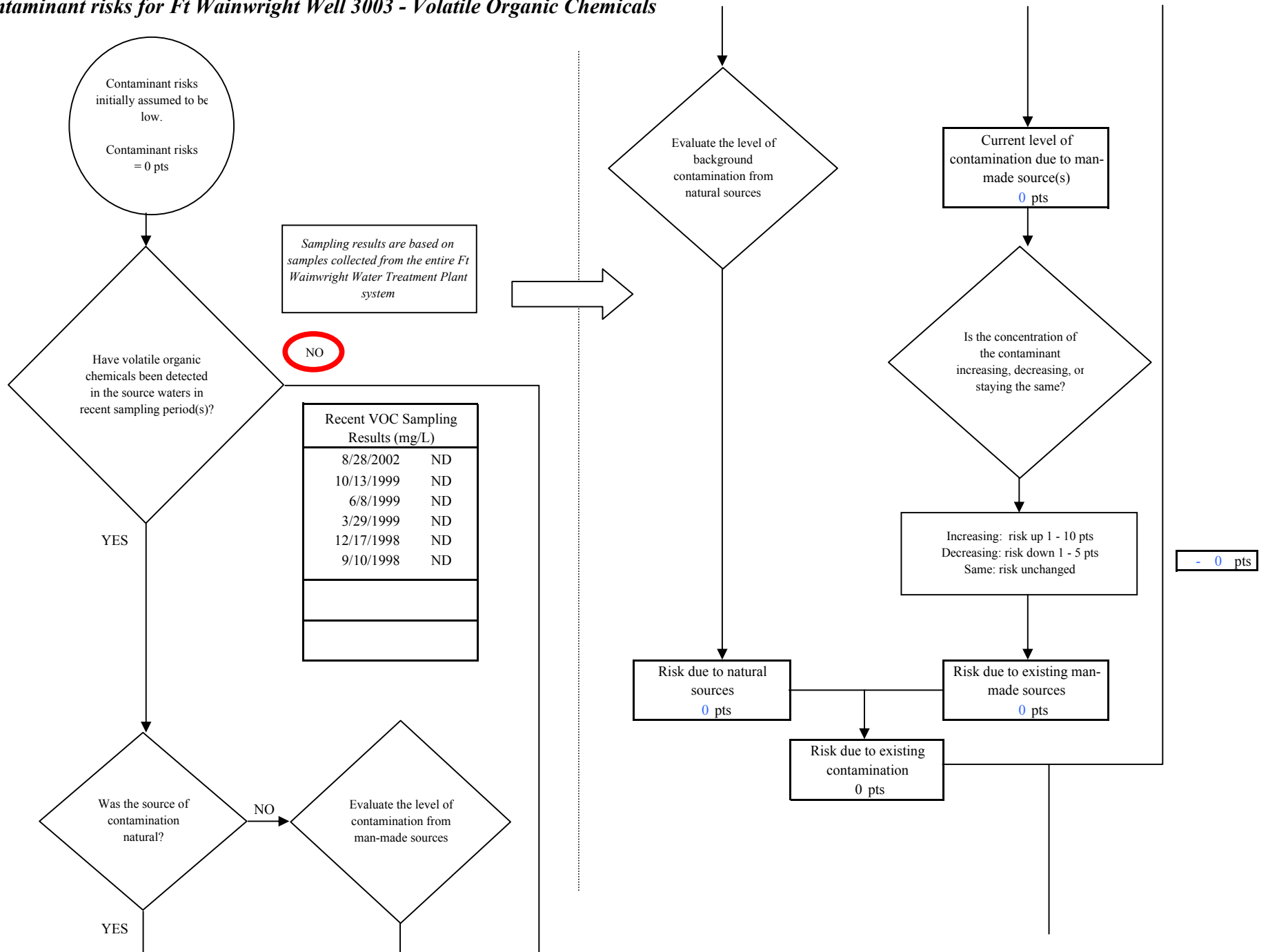


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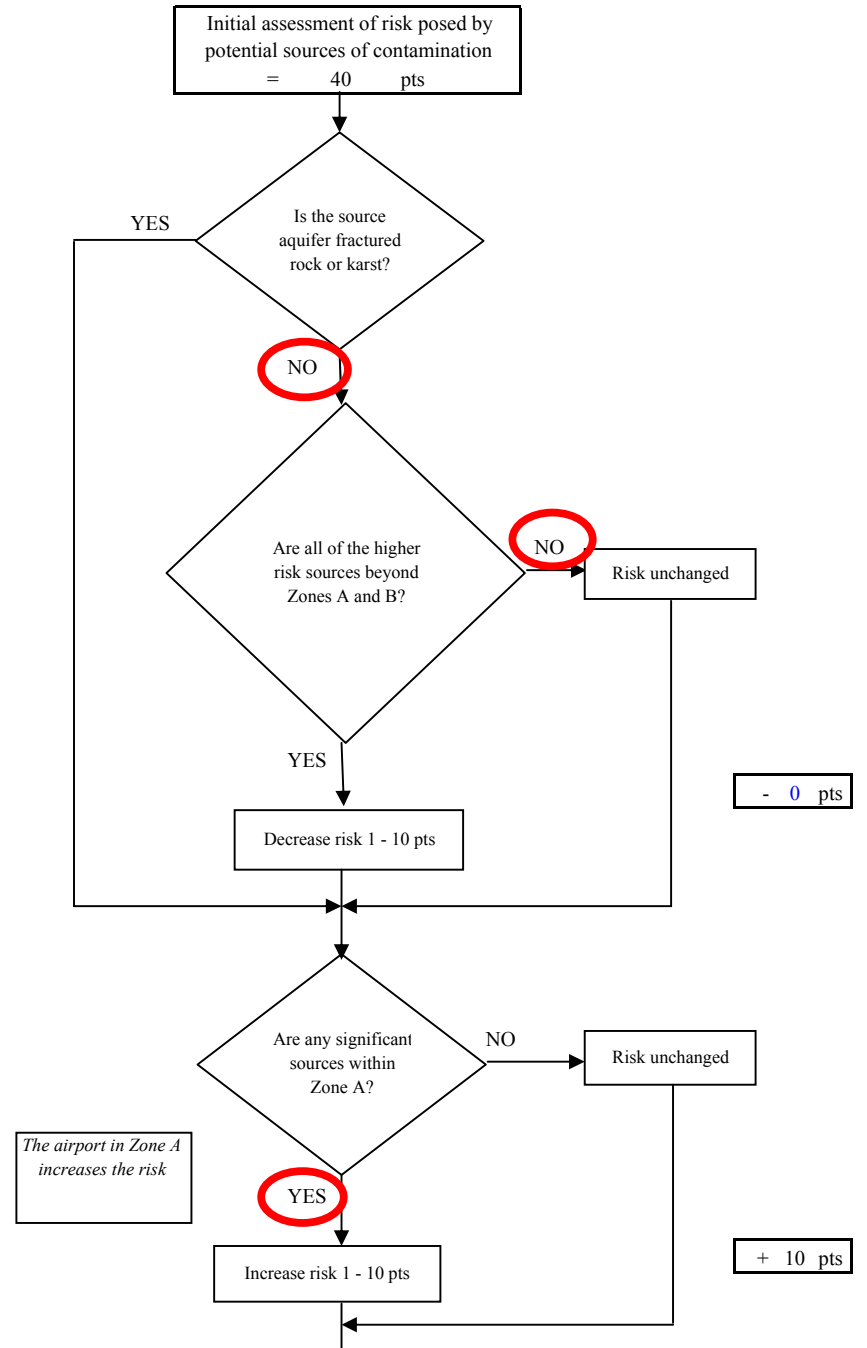
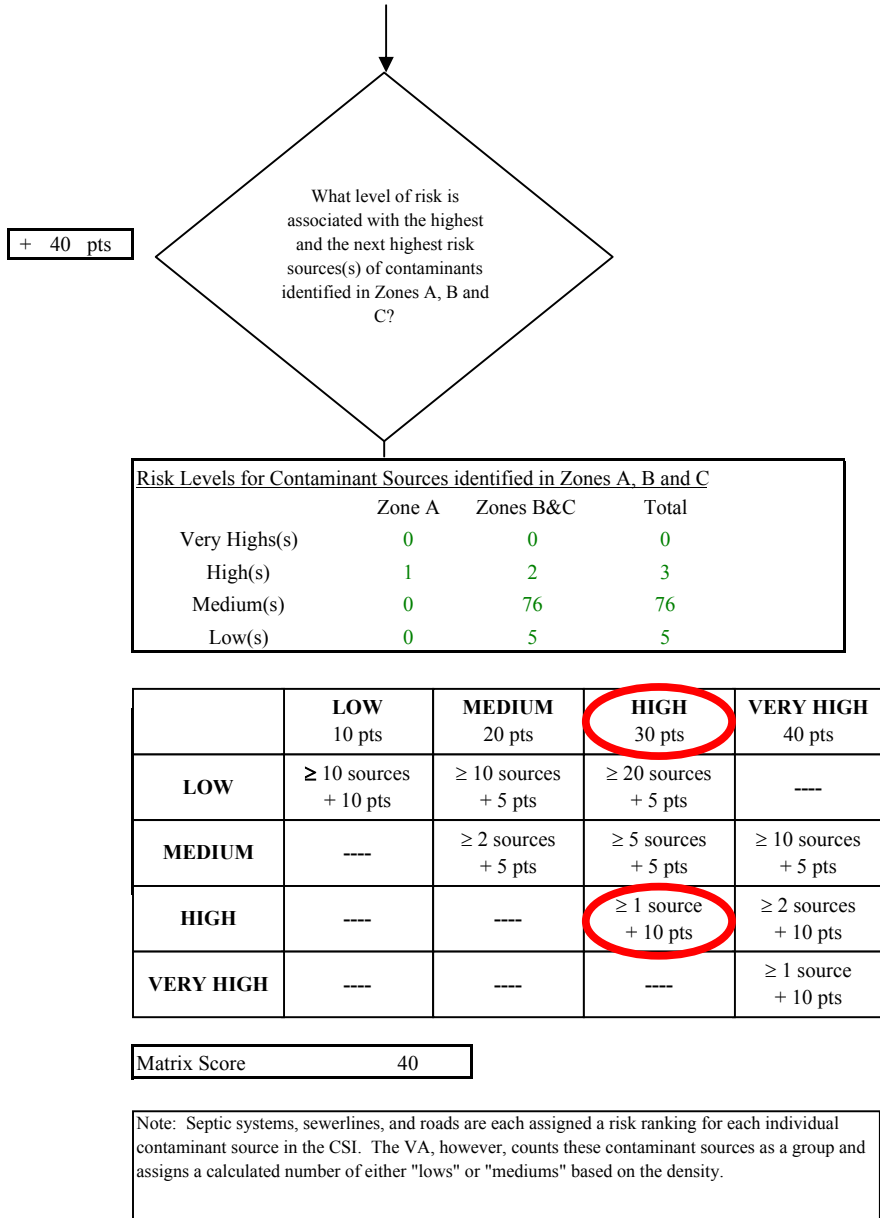




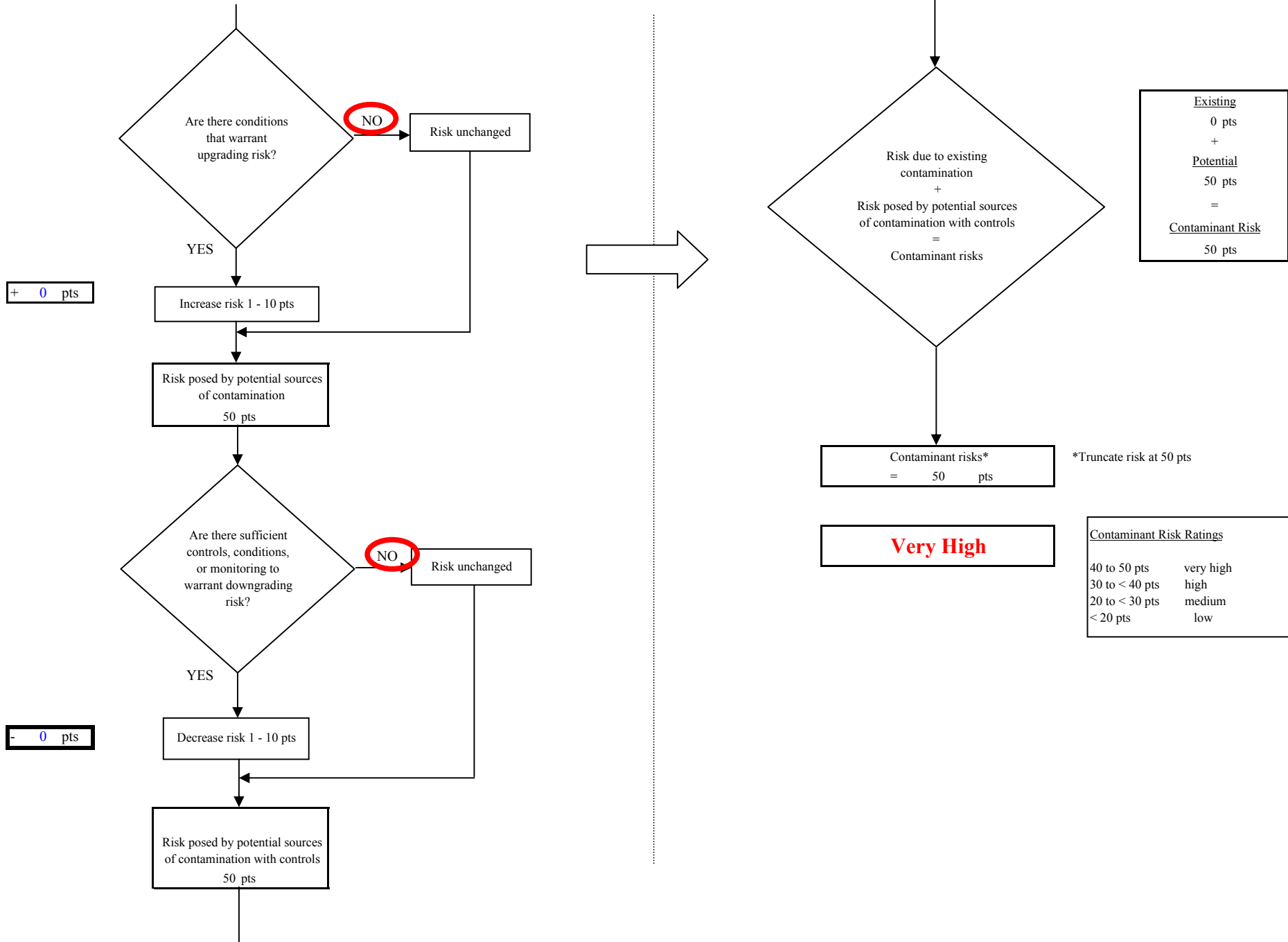
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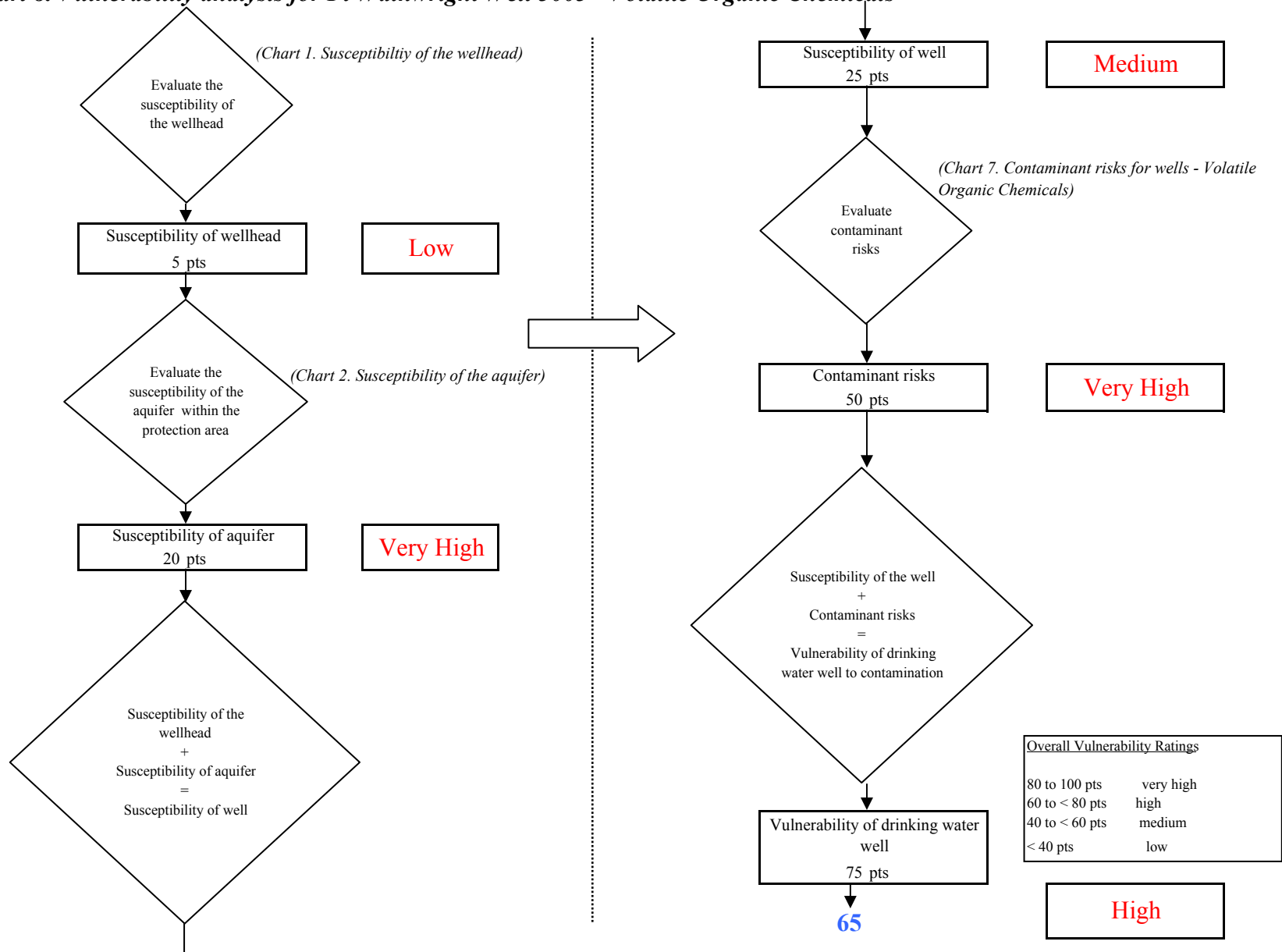
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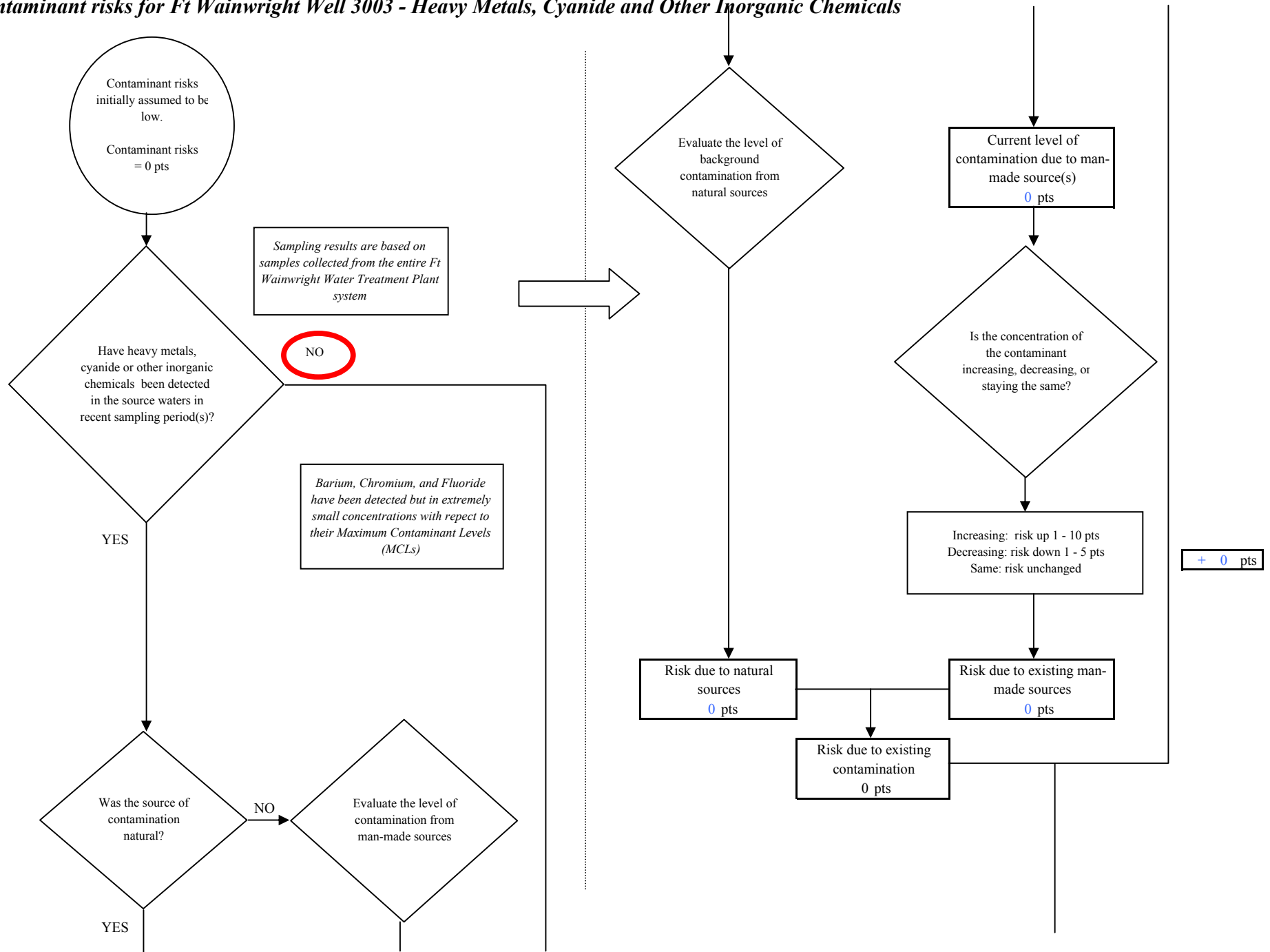
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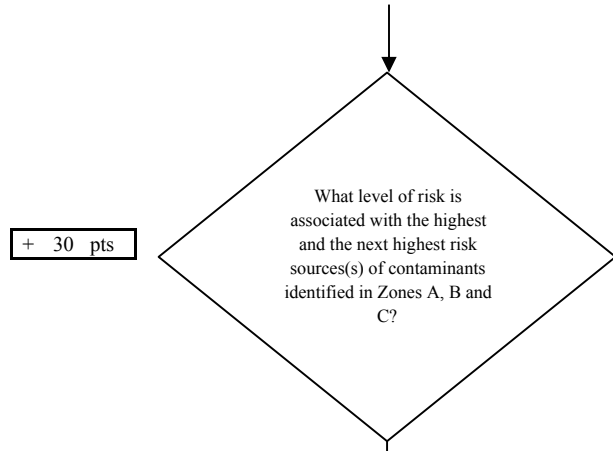
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**Chart 9. Contaminant risks for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Heavy Metals, Cyanide and Other Inorganic Chemicals**



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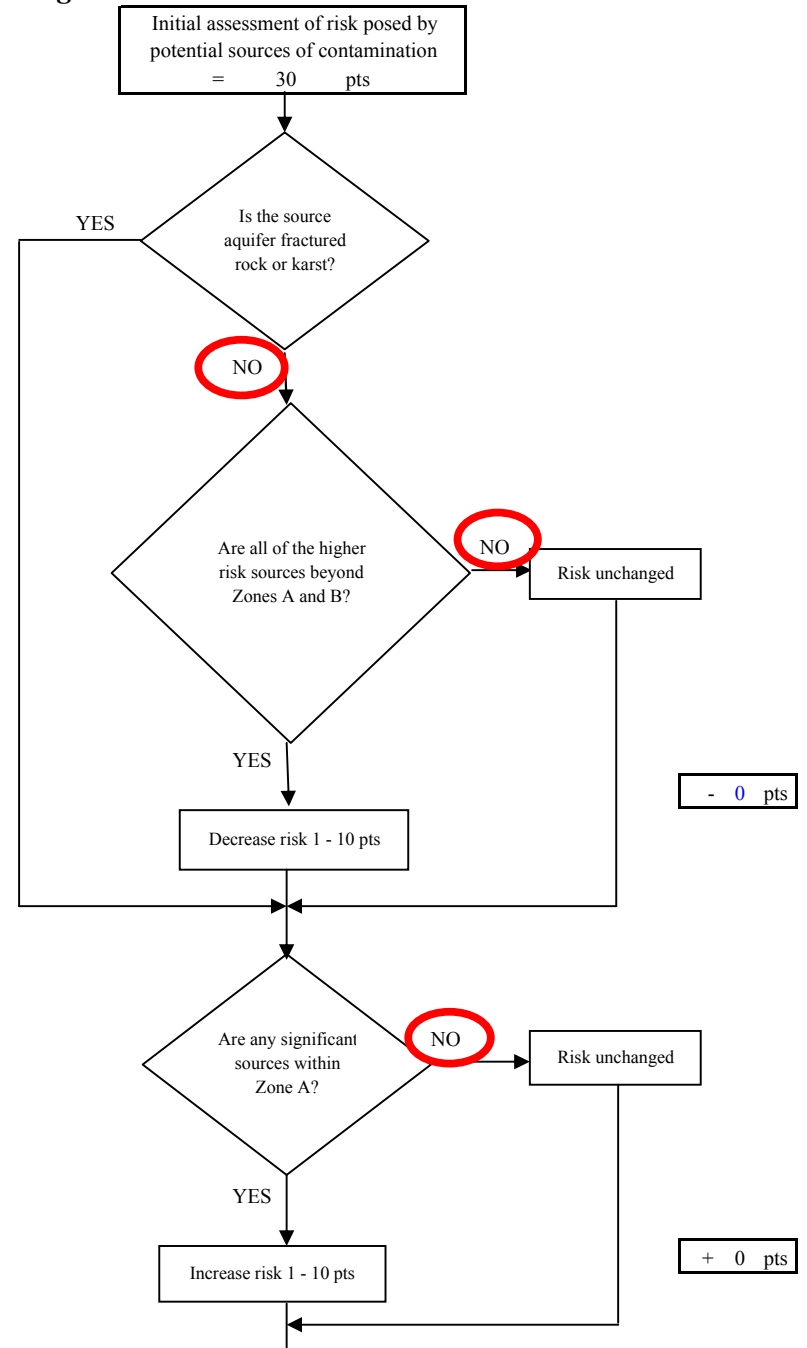
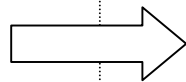


Risk Levels for Contaminant Sources identified in Zones A, B and C			
	Zone A	Zones B&C	Total
Very High(s)	0	0	0
High(s)	0	1	1
Medium(s)	0	2	2
Low(s)	1	6	7

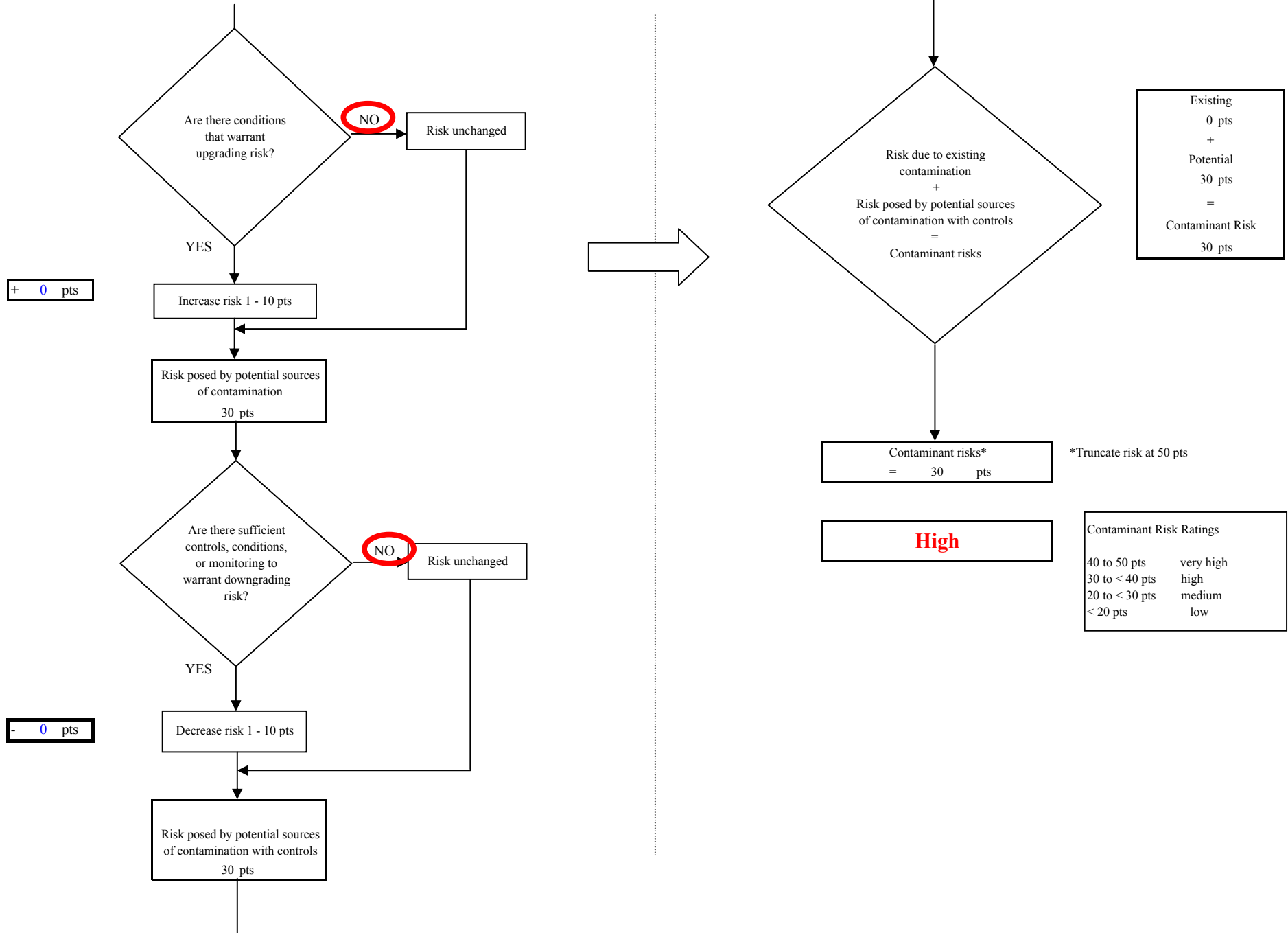
	LOW 10 pts	MEDIUM 20 pts	HIGH 30 pts	VERY HIGH 40 pts
LOW	≥ 10 sources + 10 pts	≥ 10 sources + 5 pts	≥ 20 sources + 5 pts	----
MEDIUM	----	≥ 2 sources + 5 pts	≥ 5 sources + 5 pts	≥ 10 sources + 5 pts
HIGH	----	----	≥ 1 source + 10 pts	≥ 2 sources + 10 pts
VERY HIGH	----	----	----	≥ 1 source + 10 pts

Matrix Score 30

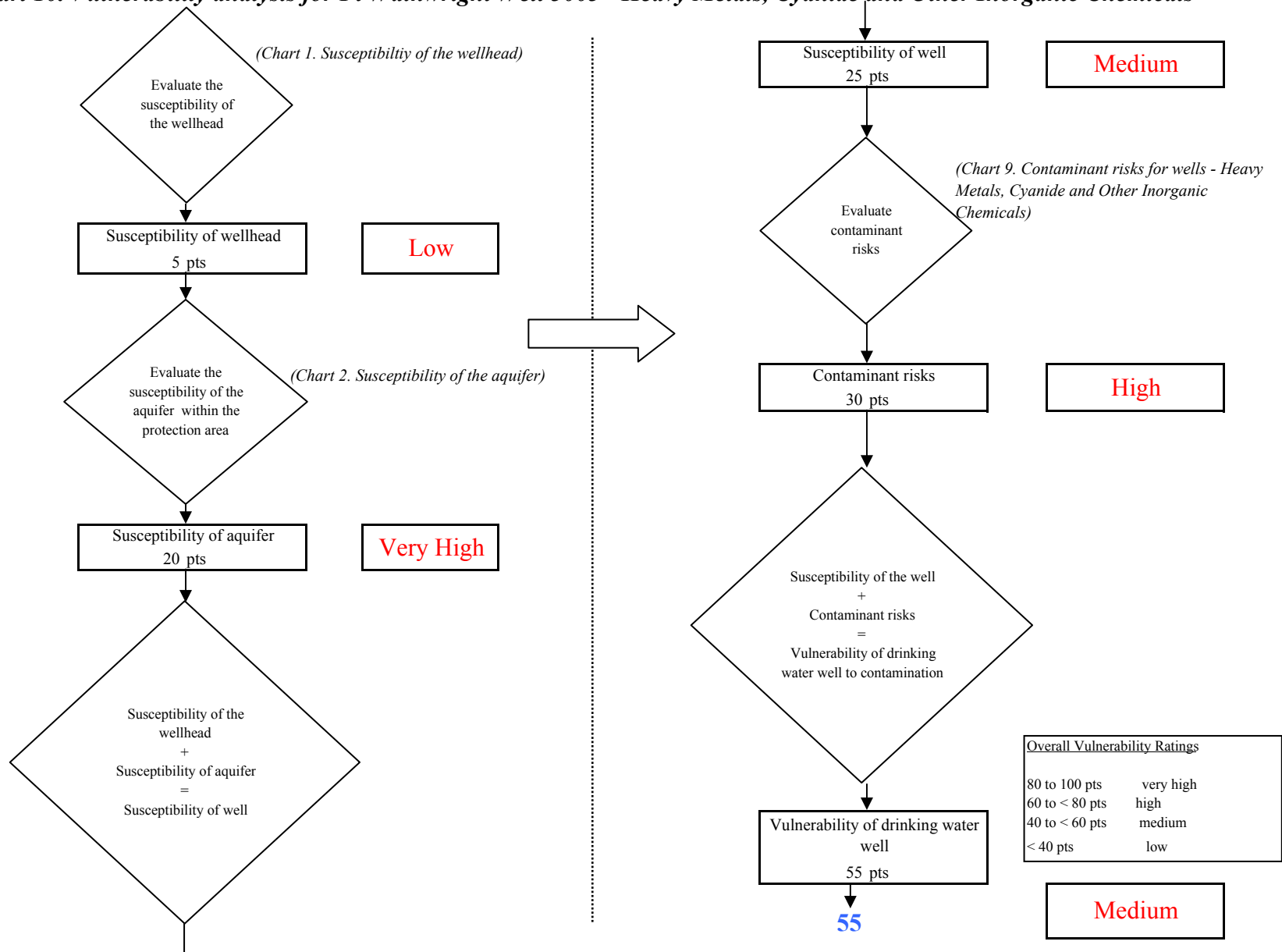
Note: Septic systems, sewerlines, and roads are each assigned a risk ranking for each individual contaminant source in the CSI. The VA, however, counts these contaminant sources as a group and assigns a calculated number of either "lows" or "mediums" based on the density.



**Chart 9. Contaminant risks for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Heavy Metals, Cyanide and Other Inorganic Chemicals**

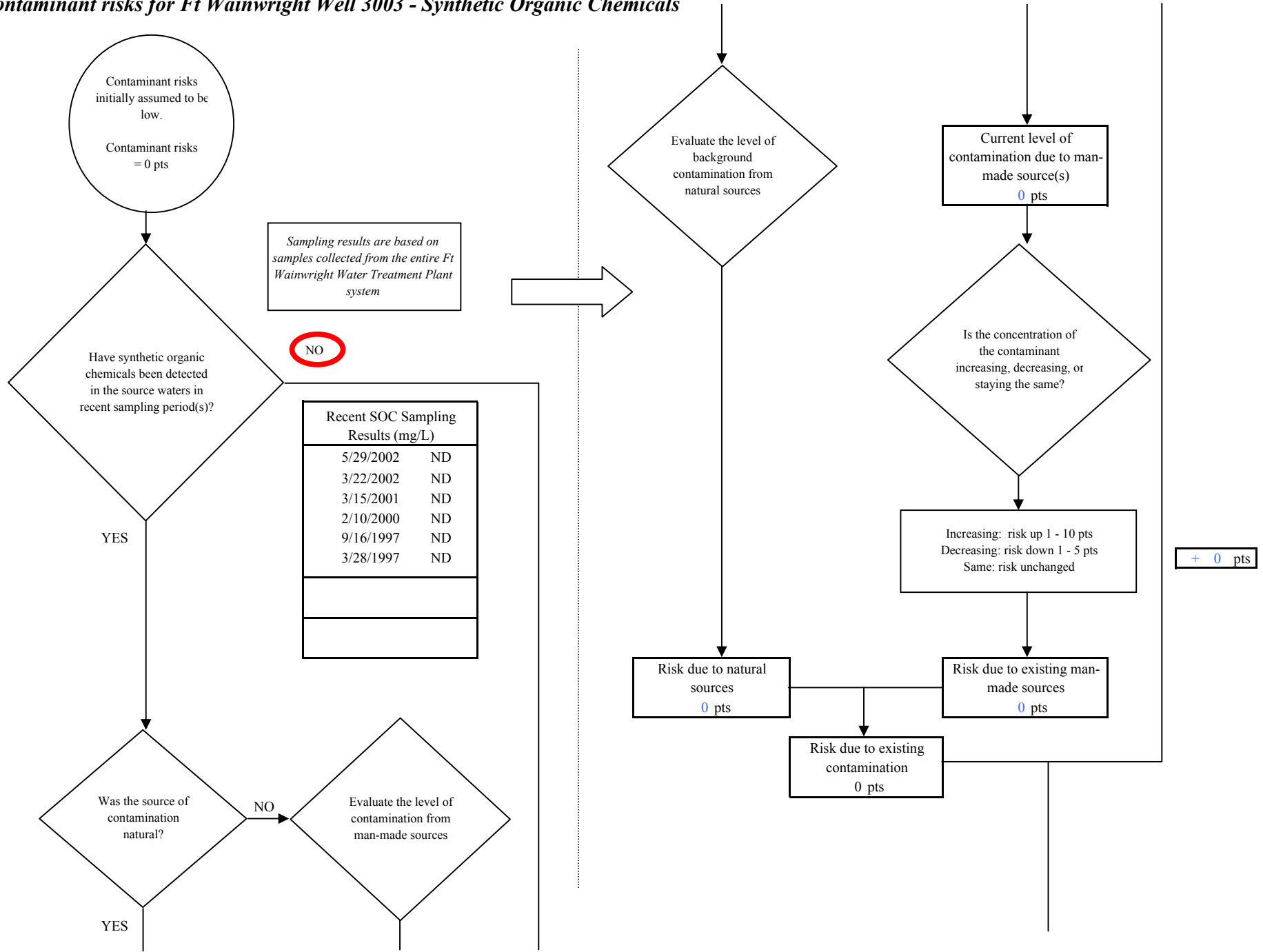


**Chart 10. Vulnerability analysis for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Heavy Metals, Cyanide and Other Inorganic Chemicals**

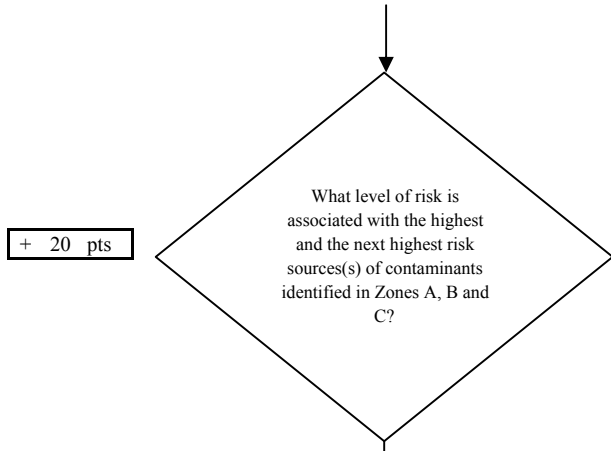




**Chart 11. Contaminant risks for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Synthetic Organic Chemicals**



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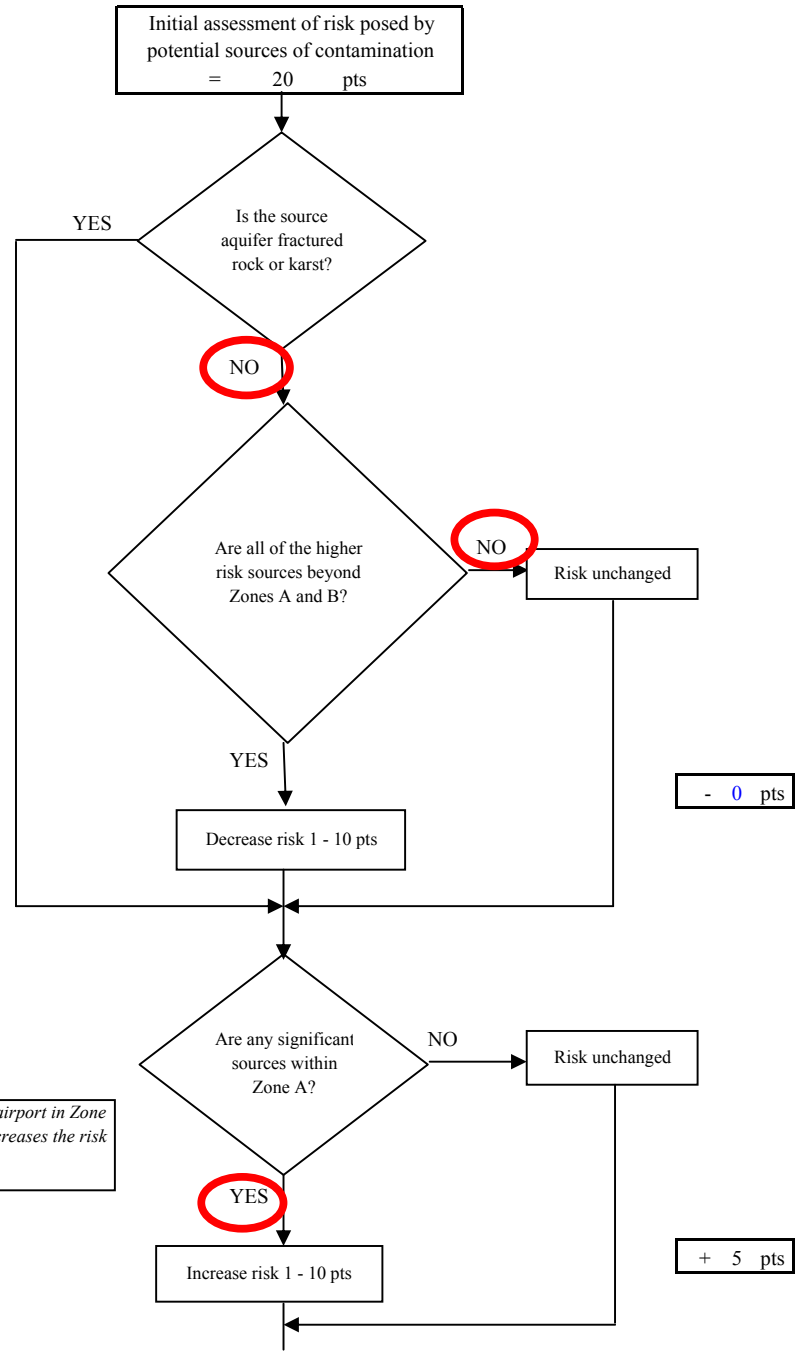


Risk Levels for Contaminant Sources identified in Zones A, B and C			
	Zone A	Zones B&C	Total
Very High(s)	0	0	0
High(s)	0	0	0
Medium(s)	1	1	2
Low(s)	0	4	4

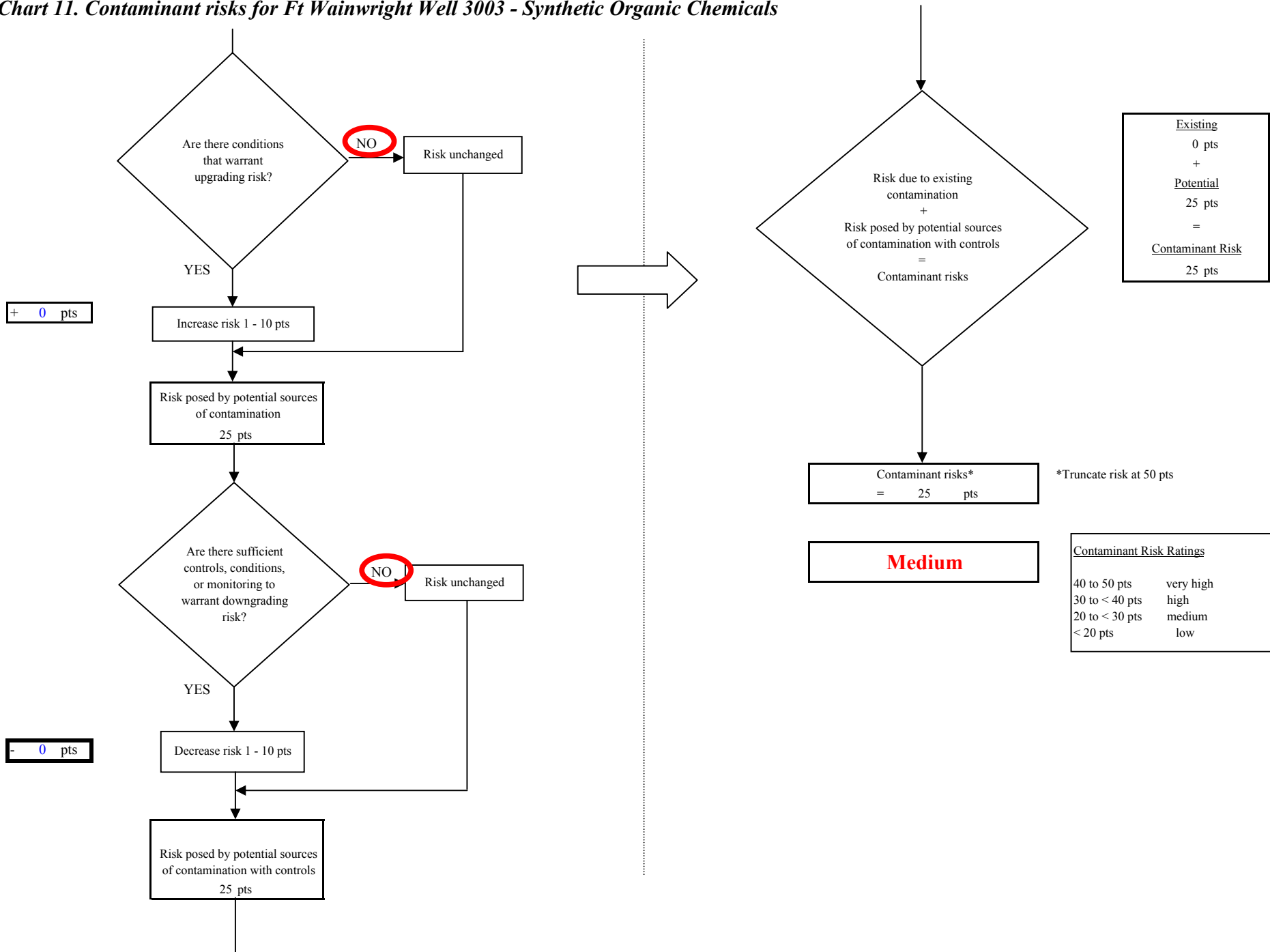
	LOW 10 pts	MEDIUM 20 pts	HIGH 30 pts	VERY HIGH 40 pts
LOW	≥ 10 sources + 10 pts	≥ 10 sources + 5 pts	≥ 20 sources + 5 pts	----
MEDIUM	----	≥ 2 sources + 5 pts	≥ 5 sources + 5 pts	≥ 10 sources + 5 pts
HIGH	----	----	≥ 1 source + 10 pts	≥ 2 sources + 10 pts
VERY HIGH	----	----	----	≥ 1 source + 10 pts

Matrix Score 20

Note: Septic systems, sewerlines, and roads are each assigned a risk ranking for each individual contaminant source in the CSI. The VA, however, counts these contaminant sources as a group and assigns a calculated number of either "lows" or "mediums" based on the density.



**Chart 11. Contaminant risks for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Synthetic Organic Chemicals**



**Chart 12. Vulnerability analysis for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Synthetic Organic Chemicals**

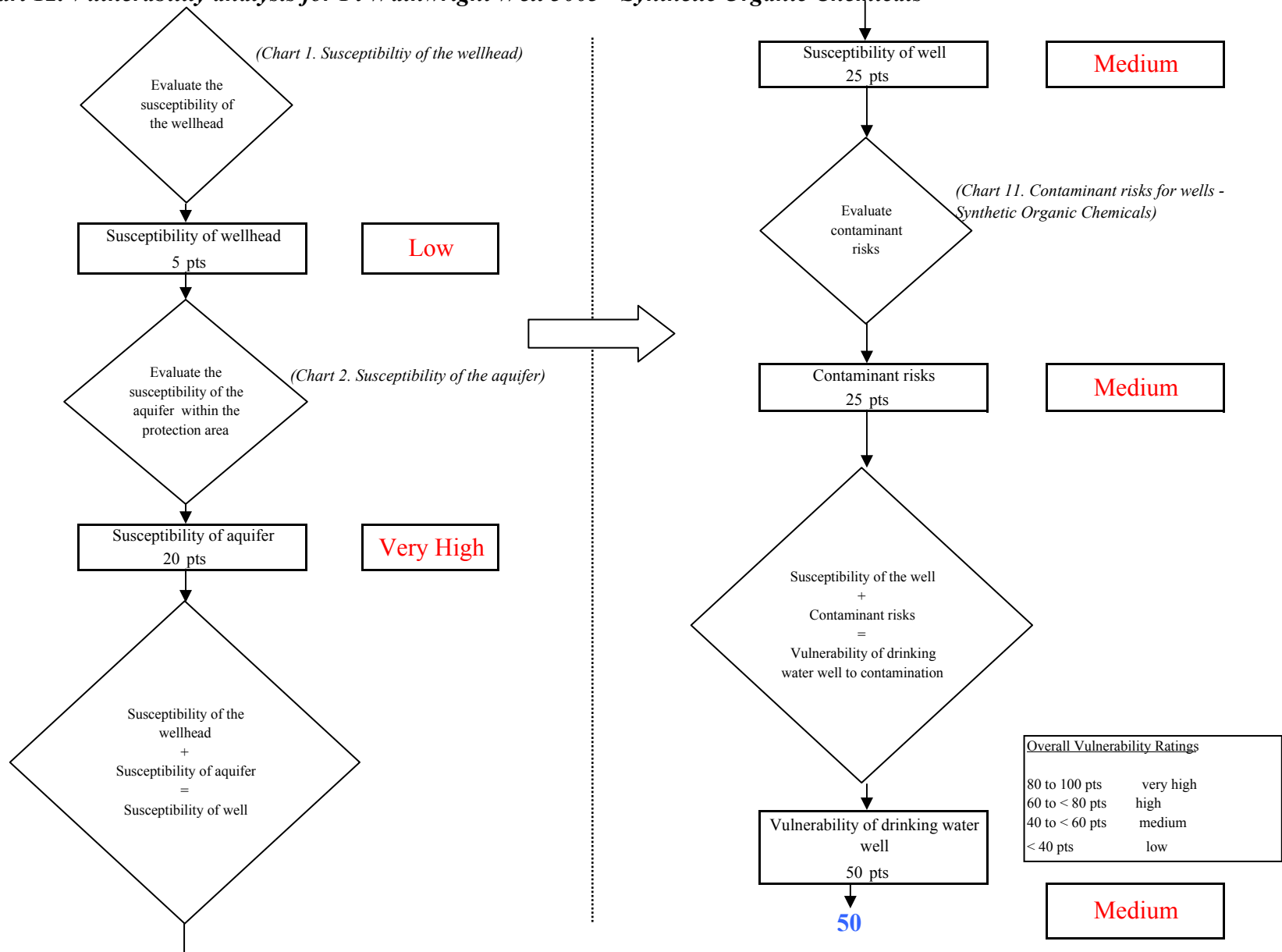
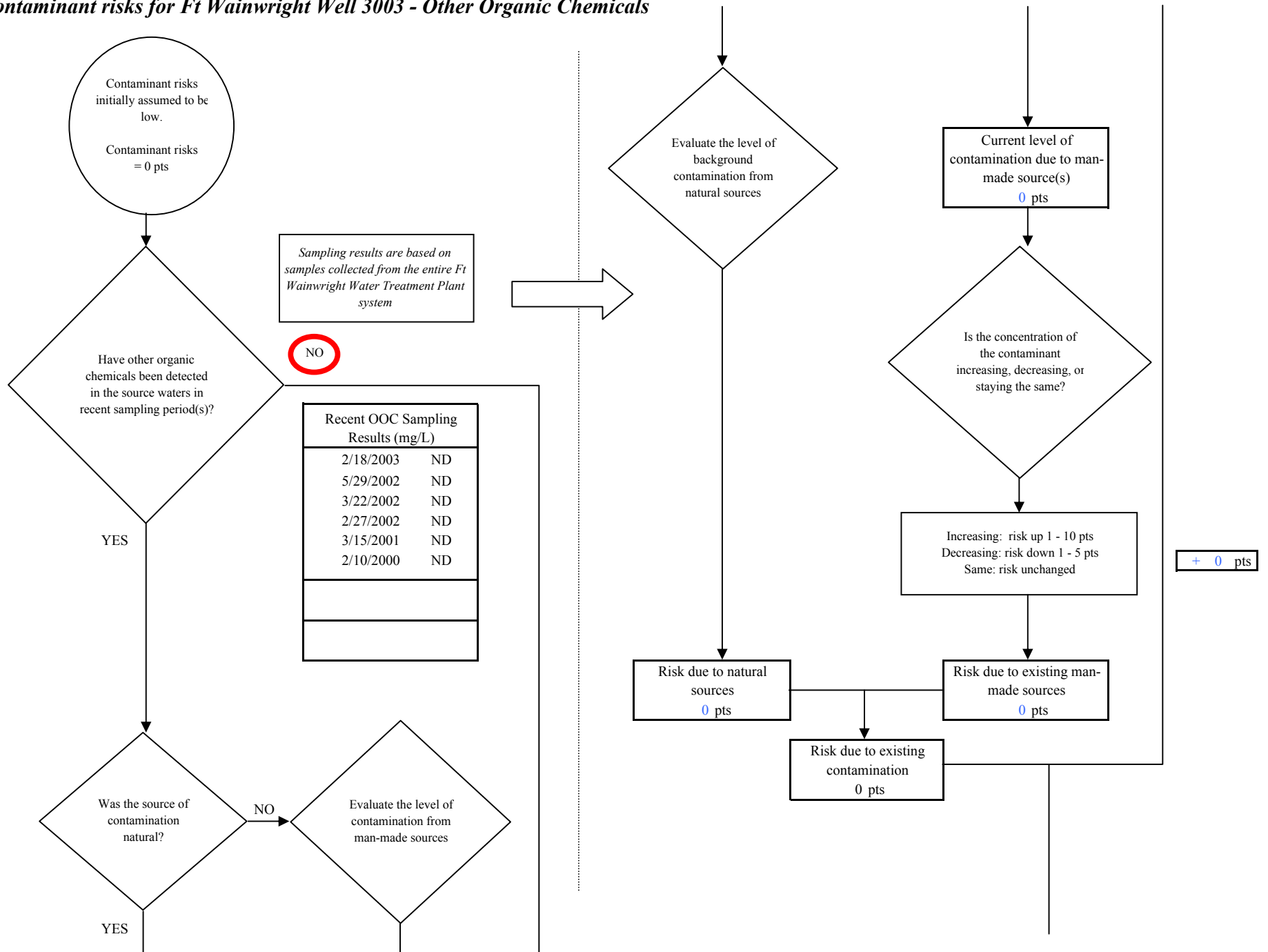
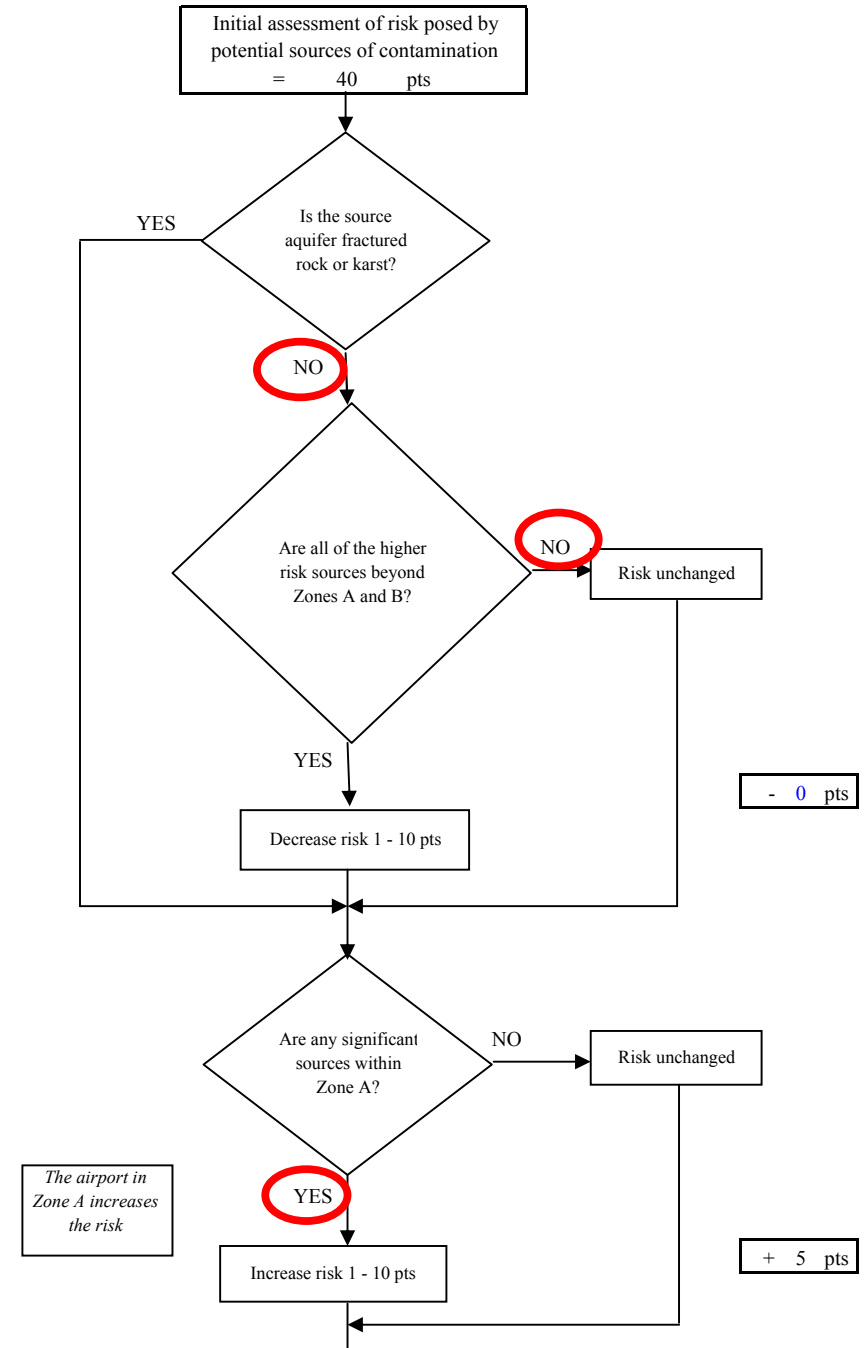
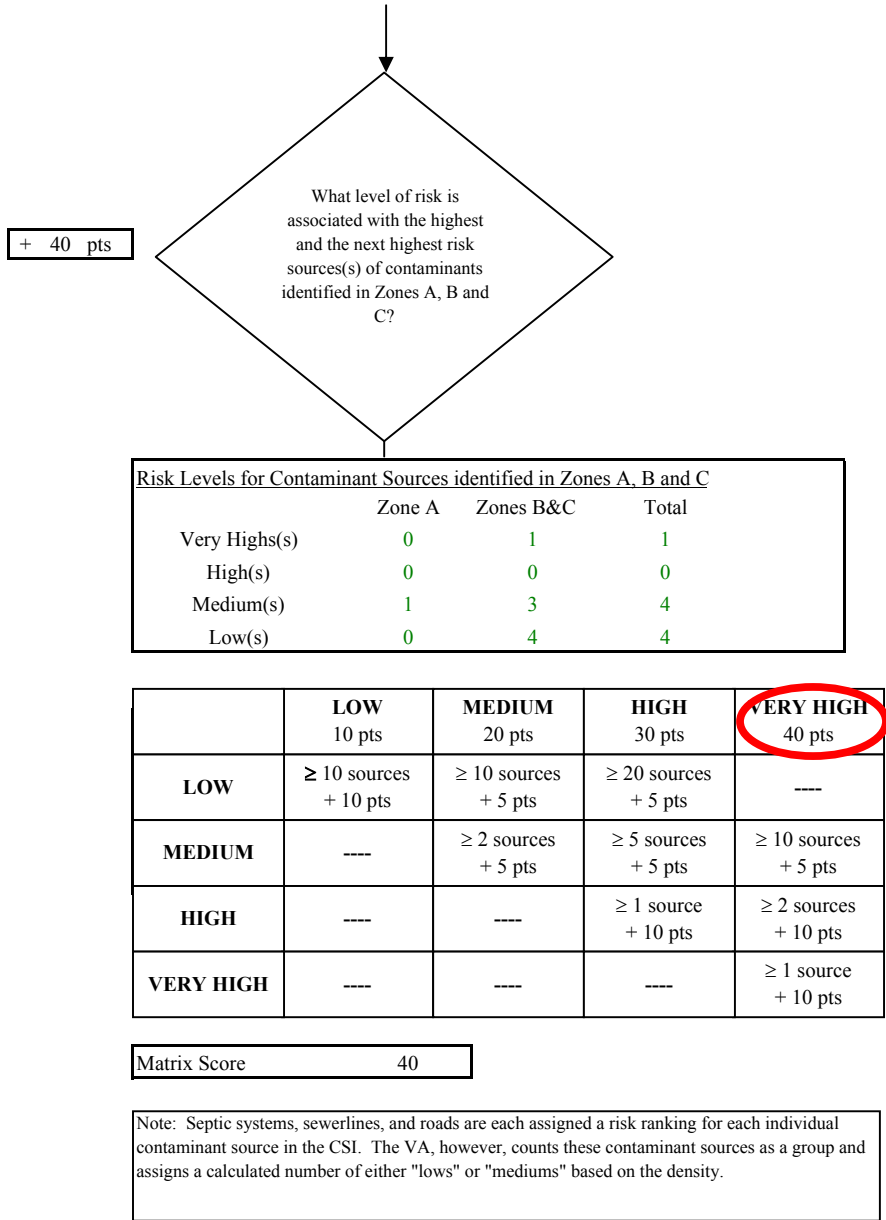


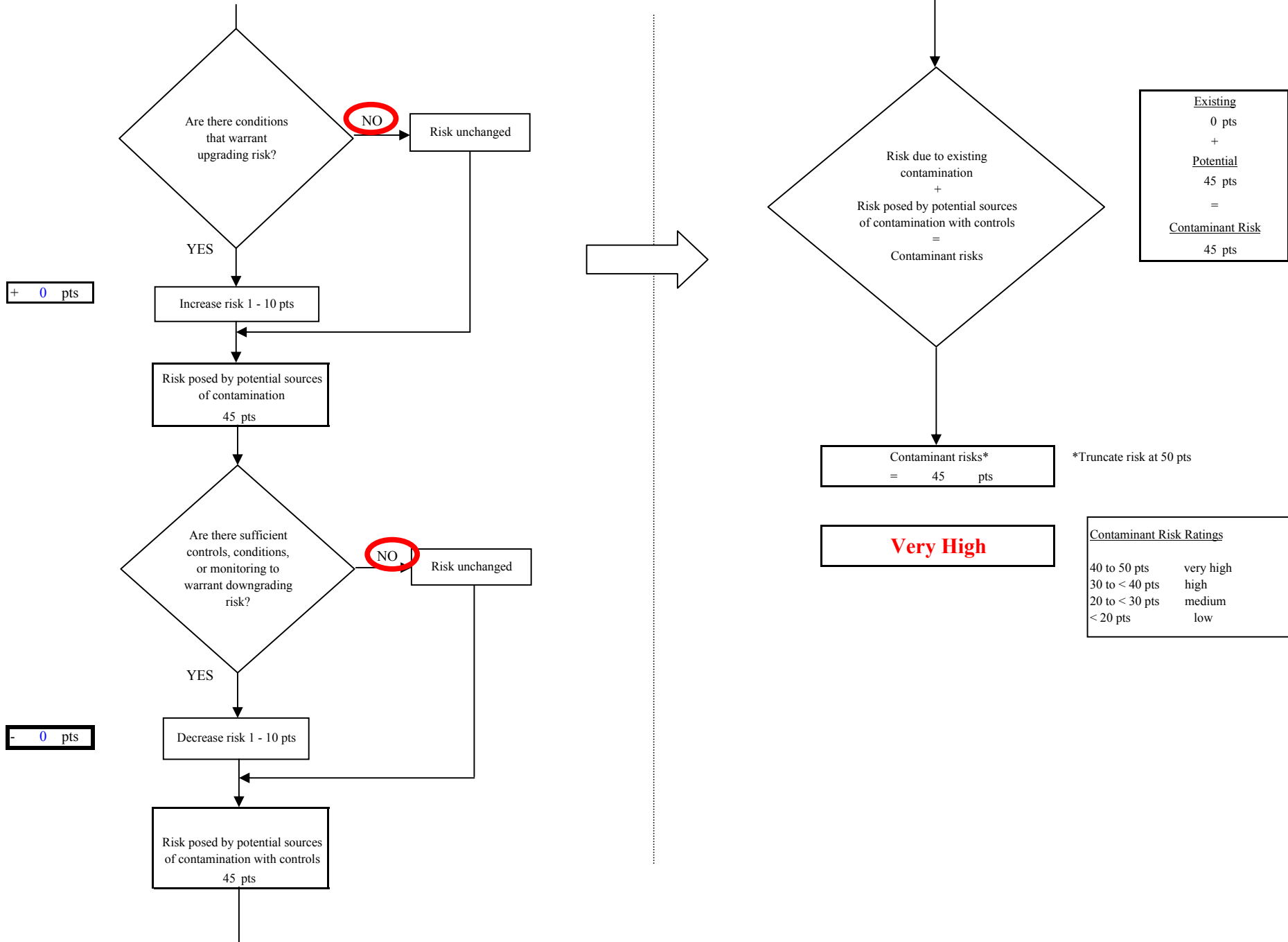
Chart 13. Contaminant risks for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Other Organic Chemicals



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**Chart 14. Vulnerability analysis for Ft Wainwright Well 3003 - Other Organic Chemicals**

