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# Source Water Assessment

A Hydrogeologic Susceptibility and Vulnerability  
Assessment for  
Arctic Circle of North America Drinking Water  
System, Wasilla, Alaska  
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The Drinking Water Protection Program 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. 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

Arctic Circle of North America is a Class B (transient / noncommunity) drinking water source consisting of one well. Identified potential and current sources of contaminants for Arctic Circle of North America include domestic wastewater collection systems, a vehicle waste disposal well, roads, and approximately 57 acres of residential area. These identified potential and existing sources of contamination are considered sources of bacteria and viruses, nitrates and/or nitrites, and volatile organic chemicals. Overall, the Arctic Circle of North America public water source received a vulnerability rating of **High** for bacteria and viruses, **High** for nitrates and/or nitrites, and **Medium** for volatile organic chemicals.

### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this environmental assessment is to provide public water system owners and/or operators, communities, and local governments with information they can use to preserve the quality of Alaska's public drinking water supplies. This assessment was completed for Arctic Circle of North America source of public drinking water. This source consists of one well in the Wasilla area. This assessment, known under the Alaska Drinking Water Protection Program as the *Source Water Assessment*, has combined a review of the natural hydrogeologic sensitivity with potential and existing contaminant risks to arrive at an overall vulnerability of the drinking water source to contamination. This assessment has been completed as a basis for local voluntary protection efforts and to assist agencies in their efforts to reduce risk to this public drinking water supply.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE WASILLA AREA, ALASKA

#### Location

Wasilla is located near the center of the Matanuska-Susitna (Mat-Su) Borough in south central Alaska. The Mat-Su Borough encompasses approximately 23,000

square miles, including the majority of the drainage of the Susitna and Matanuska Rivers. Wasilla is located south of the Talkeetna Mountains, about 12 miles north of Knik Arm on Cook Inlet (*Wickersham Alaska Corporation, 1986*), (*Matanuska-Susitna Borough/Fran Seager, 1991*). Wasilla is 30 air miles north/northeast of Anchorage, adjacent to the Alaska Railroad main line and the George Parks Highway (*ADNR, 1981*).

Glacial forces during the end of the last ice age shaped the Wasilla area. Several glacial advances and retreats left a complex system of hills, ridges, lakes, and lowlands that define the topography of today. Landforms in and around Wasilla consist of undulating ridges of glacial till and flat benches of sand and gravel out wash (*Matanuska-Susitna Borough, 1985*).

#### Climate

The climate in Wasilla is transitional between the extremes of Interior Alaska and the wet conditions found along the coastal areas.

Wasilla is less than 15 miles from Knik Arm and about 75 miles from Prince William Sound. Summer temperatures are more moderate than those in the Interior due to the proximity to the coast. The Chugach and Talkeetna Mountains and the Alaska Range also protect Wasilla from the frigid cold of the Interior Alaska winter and act to break up strong storm fronts (*Brabets, 1997*), (*Western Regional Climate Center, 2000*).

Wasilla averages about 18 inches of precipitation per year, including about 59 inches of snowfall. Winter thaws can decrease snow cover to a few inches. Mean monthly high temperatures in Wasilla range from about 22 degrees in December and January to 69 degrees in July. The frost-free period in spring and summer averages 115 days, with the first frost usually arriving by September 1.

The record low for Wasilla was -50 degrees in January 1947. The highest recorded temperature was 90 degrees in 1969 (*Wickersham Alaska Corporation, 1986*).

## Topography and Drainage

The Wasilla area topography varies from about 300 feet to 500 feet above sea level. The surrounding terrain gradually rises from south to north. The Wasilla area has hundreds of small lakes, several large lakes, and two substantial streams. At 387 acres, **Wasilla Lake** is one of the largest lakes in Southcentral Alaska (*Renshaw Consulting Engineers, 1983*).

The Cottonwood Creek drainage system, of which Wasilla Lake is part, begins northeast of Wasilla and discharges into Knik Arm about 15 miles to the south.

**Cottonwood Creek** is a popular salmon fishing stream (outside city limits), and has an average rate of flow of about 16 cubic feet per second near the outfall from Wasilla Lake.

At 362 acres, **Lake Lucille** is slightly smaller than Wasilla Lake. However, although within close proximity, they are part of two separate drainages and have significantly different characteristics. Lake Lucille is shallow with an average depth of five and a half feet. Its primary water source is springs in the lake bed. No significant creek leads into it and Lucille Creek is a low flow stream that drains it into Big Lake. Water circulation and flushing action through the lake is slow.

Although the quality can vary significantly in a short distance, groundwater supplies are abundant in the area. The Wasilla area has a central water system, and several subdivisions have private water systems. Many homes and businesses in the area, however, rely on individual wells for their water supply. Most of these wells are shallow with depths of less than 100 feet. Static water levels in many of these wells is around 30 feet below the surface. The coarse gravel underlying the Wasilla area provides a large aquifer even in the winter when infiltration is low (*Trainer, 1953*).

## Geology and Soils

A lake covered the Susitna River valley lowland during glacial times. The deposition of glacial silts and clays played an important part in the make up of the soils of the area.

Most of the soils in the area provide good sources of sand, gravel and topsoil. The deposition of silt, clay and organic muck in old lakes and depressions means that some areas have soil conditions that vary over relatively short distances. The U.S. Soil Conservation Service has mapped seven soil associations in and around Wasilla.

The Homestead and Knik soil types predominate the Wasilla area, with smaller areas of Coal Creek, Jacobsen, Salamatof, and Slikok soil types.

The **Homestead** series is common in the Wasilla area especially north of the Parks Highway from the west end of Lake Lucille. Homestead soils are shallow, well-drained silty soils over loose sand and gravel. They have formed on broad out wash plains and gravel moraines and run from nearly flat terrain to steep areas.

Homestead series is prevalent along Church Road north of the Parks Highway and throughout the Mission Hills subdivision.

The **Knik** series is the other major soil type in the area. It includes most of the downtown area, north and south of Lake Lucille and Wasilla Lake.

Knik soils are shallow, well-drained and silty, overlaying coarse, gravelly material, although scattered areas of poorly drained soils are also included. The soils are extensive over a broad range of slopes from flat to steep escarpments.

The **Coal Creek** series consists of dark-colored, poorly drained soils that formed in moderately deep silty material over compacted, fine-textured sediments. These soils occur in nearly level to gently sloping stream valleys, on the border of muskegs, and in small depressions. They are sometimes characterized by hillside seeps. This soil unit is found in small areas north and west of the downtown area.

The **Jacobsen** series is a very poorly drained, very stony silt loam found in broad depressions. The type is found west of Lake Lucille, south of the railroad, about even with Church Road.

The **Salamatof** and **Slikok** series are found within low areas and consist of poorly drained, peat, muck, and silty sediments in shallow depressions throughout the eastern side of the city. High water tables, often at or just below the surface, are characteristics of these soils. The banks of Cottonwood Creek south of Wasilla Lake have the greatest concentrations of these soils.

Finally, the **Wasilla** series consists of somewhat poorly drained soils with layers of sand and compacted finer material. They do not have the high organic content of the Slikok series. These soils are not extensive in the local area and are most commonly found southeast of Lake Lucille along the Knik-Goose Bay Road (*Wickersham Alaska Corporation, 1986*).

## ARCTIC CIRCLE OF NORTH AMERICA PUBLIC WATER SOURCE

Arctic Circle of North America public water source is a Class B (transient/noncommunity) water source. The system consists of one well and is located at 2750 East Palmer Wasilla Highway (see Map 1 in Appendix A). This area is at an elevation of less than 330 feet above sea level.

According to the well log, Arctic Circle of North America's well penetrates top soil from 0 to 15 feet, hard packed silt and gravel from 15 to 85 feet, gravel from 85 to 90 feet, hardpan from 90 to 95 feet, and water and gravel from 95 feet to a total depth of 100 feet below land surface. The static water level was 70 feet below land surface at the time of drilling (11/11/98). The system was approved to operate on 4/27/00 and meets all state regulations. This water system operates year round and serves approximately 15 residents and 75 non-residents through one service connection.

## ASSESSMENT AND PROTECTION AREA FOR ARCTIC CIRCLE OF NORTH AMERICA DRINKING WATER SOURCE

In order to evaluate whether a drinking water source is at risk, we must first evaluate what are the most likely pathways for surface contamination to reach the groundwater. Some areas are more likely to allow contamination to reach the well than others are. 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 well is the area that contributes water to the well, the groundwater recharge area. This area is designated as the Drinking Water Protection Area (DWPA). Because releases of contaminants within the DWPA are most likely to impact the drinking water well, this area will serve as the focus for voluntary protection efforts. DWPA (Please refer to the Guidance Manual for Class B Public Water Systems for additional information).

The DWPA's established for wells by the ADEC are separated into four zones. These zones correspond to differences in the time-of-travel (TOT) of the water moving through the aquifer to the well. An analytical calculation was used to determine the size and shape of the DWPA. The input parameters describing the attributes of the aquifer in this calculation were adopted from the U.S. Geological Survey (Patrick, Brabets, and Glass, 1989), and State of Alaska Department of Water Resources (Jokela et. al., 1991).

The time of travel for contaminants within the water varies and is dependent on the physical and chemical characteristics of each contaminant. The following is a summary of the four DWPA zones 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. TOT
B	Less than the 2 year TOT
C	Less Than the 5 year TOT
D	Less than the 10 year TOT

As an example, water moving through the aquifer in Zone B will reach the well in less than 2 years from the time it crosses the outer limit of Zone B.

Zone A also incorporates the area down gradient from the well to take into account the area of the aquifer that is influenced by pumping of the well. Water within the aquifer in Zone A will reach the well in several hours to several months.

The DWPA for the Arctic Circle of North America contain four zones: Zone A, Zone B, Zone C, and Zone D (see Map 1 in Appendix A).

## INVENTORY OF POTENTIAL AND EXISTING CONTAMINANT SOURCES

The Drinking Water Protection Program has completed an inventory of potential and existing sources of contamination within the Arctic Circle of North America Drinking Water Protection Area. This inventory was completed through a search of agency records and other publicly available information. Potential sources of contamination to drinking water supplies cover a wide range of categories and types. 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 this assessment and all Class B public water system assessments, three categories of drinking water contaminants were inventoried. They include:

- Bacteria and viruses;
- Nitrates and/or nitrites; and
- Volatile organic chemicals.

The sources are displayed on Map 2 and Map 3 of Appendix B and summarized in table 1 of Appendix C.

## RANKING OF CONTAMINANT RISKS

Once the potential and existing sources of contamination have been identified, they are sorted and ranked according to what type and level of risk they represent. Ranking of contaminant risks for a “potential” or “existing” source of contamination is a function of toxicity and volumes of specific contaminants associated with that source. Further, contaminant risks are a function of the number and density of those types of contaminant sources as well as the proximity of those sources to the well.

Tables 2 through 4 in Appendix C contain the ranking of potential and existing sources of contamination with respect to bacteria and viruses, nitrates and/or nitrites, and volatile organic chemicals.

## VULNERABILITY OF ARCTIC CIRCLE OF NORTH AMERICA DRINKING WATER SOURCES

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

- Natural susceptibility; and,
- Contaminant risks.

Each of the three categories of drinking water contaminants has been analyzed and an overall vulnerability score of 0 to 100 is ultimately assigned:

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

A score for the Natural Susceptibility is achieved by analyzing the properties of the well and the aquifer.

$$\begin{array}{r}
 \text{Susceptibility of the Wellhead (0 – 25 Points)} \\
 + \\
 \text{Susceptibility of the Aquifer (0 – 25 Points)} \\
 = \\
 \text{Natural Susceptibility (Susceptibility of the Well)} \\
 \text{(0 – 50 Points)}
 \end{array}$$

The well for Arctic Circle of North America was completed in a somewhat confined aquifer setting. The aquifer that is utilized by the well is protected from

surface contamination by approximately 5 feet of relatively impermeable hardpan. Table 2 shows the Susceptibility scores and ratings for Arctic Circle of North America.

**Table 2. Natural Susceptibility - Susceptibility of the Wellhead and Aquifer to Contamination**

	Score	Rating
Susceptibility of the Wellhead	0	Low
Susceptibility of the Aquifer	16	High
Natural Susceptibility	16	Medium

Contaminant risks to a drinking water source depend on the type, number or density, and distribution of contaminant sources. This data has been derived from an examination of existing and historical contamination that has been detected at the drinking water source through routine sampling. It also evaluates potential sources of contamination. Table 3 summarizes the Contaminant Risks for each category of drinking water contaminants.

**Table 3. Contaminant Risks**

Contaminant Risks	Score	Rating
Bacteria and Viruses	50	Very High
Nitrates and/or Nitrites	50	Very High
Volatile Organic Chemicals	32	High

Appendix D contains eight 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 naturally occurring attributes of the water source and influences on the groundwater system that might lead to contamination. 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 contamination that has or may have occurred, but has not arrived or been detected at the well. Lastly, Chart 4 contains the ‘Vulnerability Analysis for Bacteria and Viruses’. Charts 5 through 8 contain the Contaminant Risks and Vulnerability Analyses for nitrates and nitrites, and volatile organic chemicals, respectively.

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 of Arctic Circle of North America Public Drinking Water Source to Contamination by Category**

Category	Score	Rating
Bacteria and Viruses	65	High
Nitrates and Nitrites	65	High
Volatile Organic Chemicals	50	Medium

Tables 2 through 4 in Appendix C contain the ranking of potential and existing sources of contamination with respect to bacteria and viruses, nitrates and/or nitrites, and volatile organic chemicals.

### Bacteria and Viruses

The contaminant risk for bacteria and viruses is very high with large capacity septic systems in Zones A and B posing the most significant risk. (See Chart 3 – Contaminant Risks for Bacteria and Viruses in Appendix D). Large capacity septic systems, designated a type of Class V Injection well by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), differ from residential septic systems in that they serve multiple dwellings, businesses, or communities. Recent sampling of Arctic Circle of North America shows no detection of Bacteria and Viruses. 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 high.

### Nitrates/Nitrites

The contaminant risk for nitrates and nitrites is very high. Large capacity and residential septic systems, because of their effluent discharge, pose the most significant contaminant risk to this source of public drinking water (See Chart 5 - Contaminant Risks for Nitrates and/or Nitrites in Appendix D). Nitrates are very mobile, moving at approximately the same rate as water.

Sampling history for the Arctic Circle of North America well indicates that low concentrations of nitrate were detected at the last sampling date. Existing nitrate concentration is approximately 0.451 mg/L or 4% of the Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) of 10mg/L. The MCL is the maximum level of contaminant that is allowed to exist in drinking water and still be consumed by humans without harmful health effects. Throughout the past 2 years nitrate and/or nitrite concentrations have remained constant.

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 high.

### Volatile Organic Chemicals

The contaminant risk for volatile organic chemicals is high with a vehicle waste disposal well in Zone b posing the most significant risk. (See Chart 7 – Contaminant Risks for Volatile Organic Chemicals in Appendix D). 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 medium.

### SUMMARY

A *Source Water Assessment* has been completed for the Arctic Circle of North America source of public drinking water. The overall vulnerability of this source to contamination is **High** for bacteria and viruses, **High** for nitrates and/or nitrites, and **Medium** for volatile organic chemicals. This assessment of contaminant risks can be used as a foundation for local voluntary protection efforts. It is anticipated that *Source Water Assessments* will be updated every five years to reflect any changes in the vulnerability and/or susceptibility of the public drinking water source.



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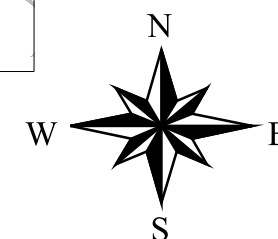
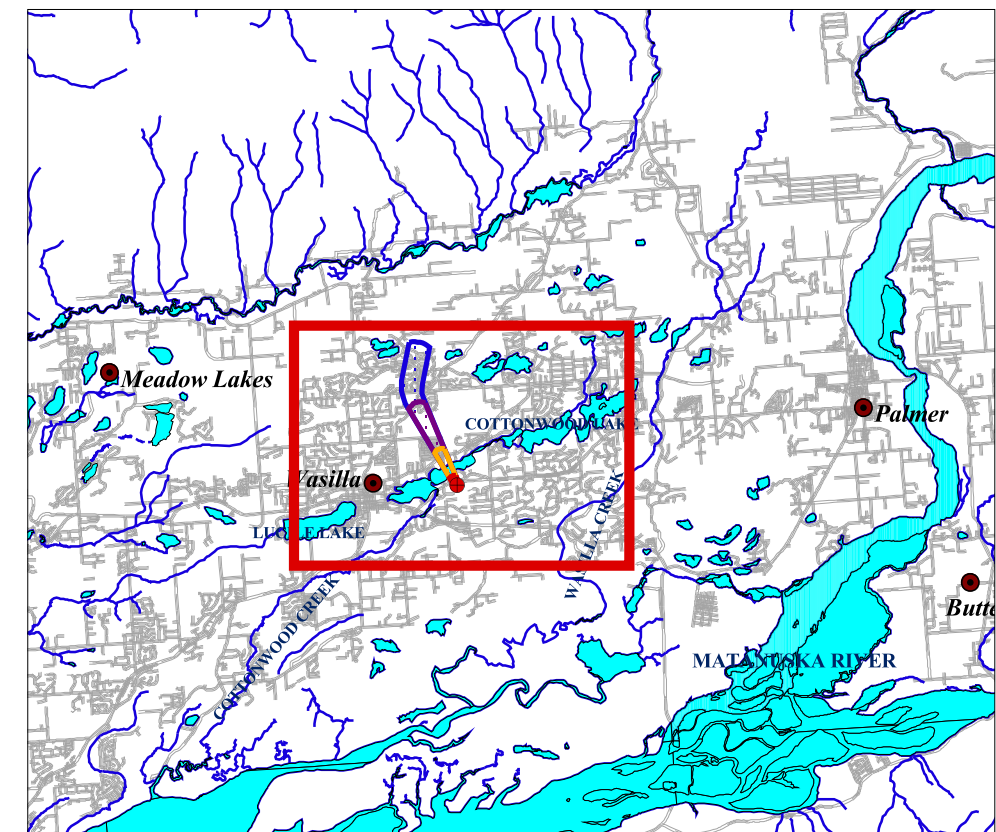
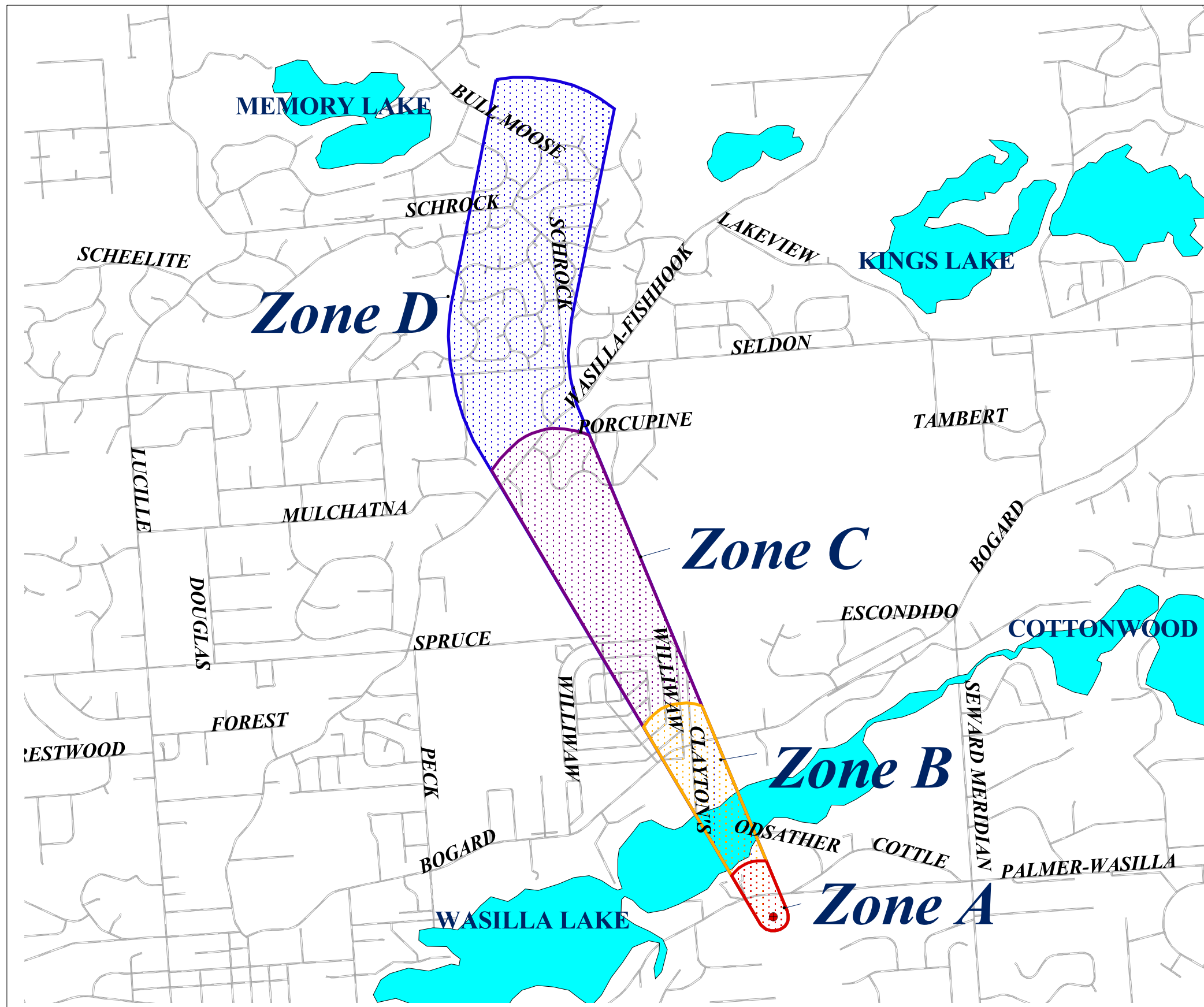
## **APPENDIX A**

### **Drinking Water Protection Area**

# Arctic Circle of North America Protection Area - PWS #225748

## Legend

- Arctic Circle of North America Well Location
- Zone A  
 Several Months Travel Time
- Zone B  
 Less Than Two Years Time of Travel
- Zone C  
 Less Than Five Years Time of Travel
- Zone D  
 Less Than Ten Years Time of Travel
-  Lakes
-  Roads



# Map One

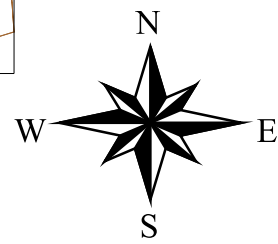
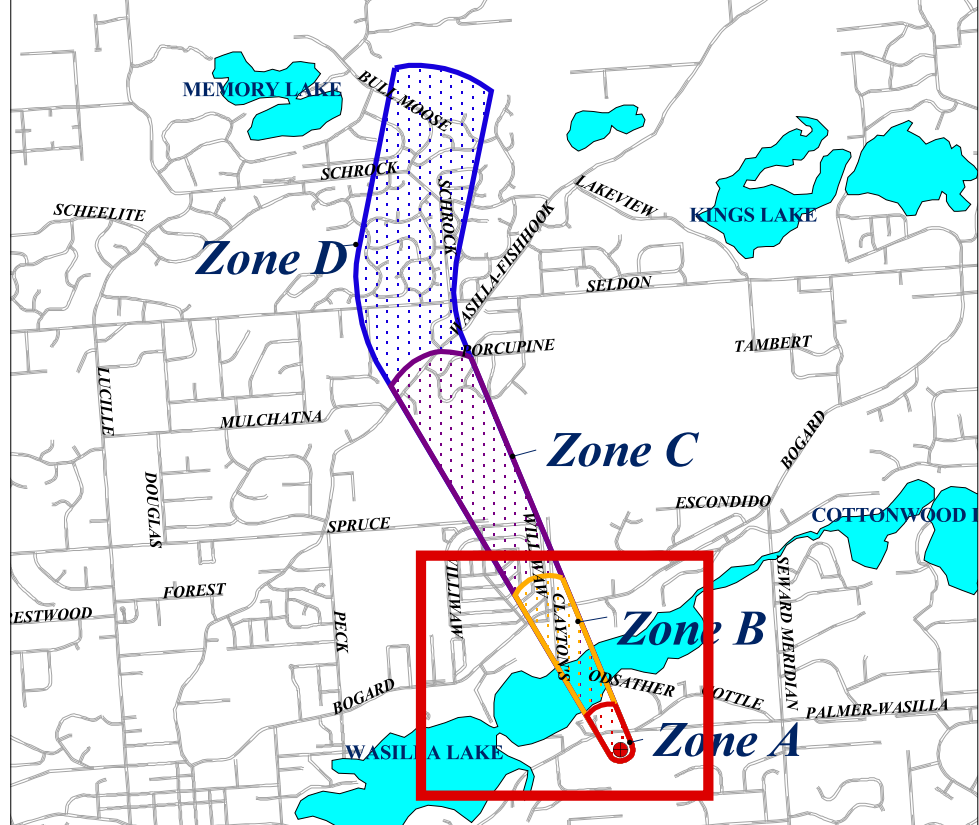
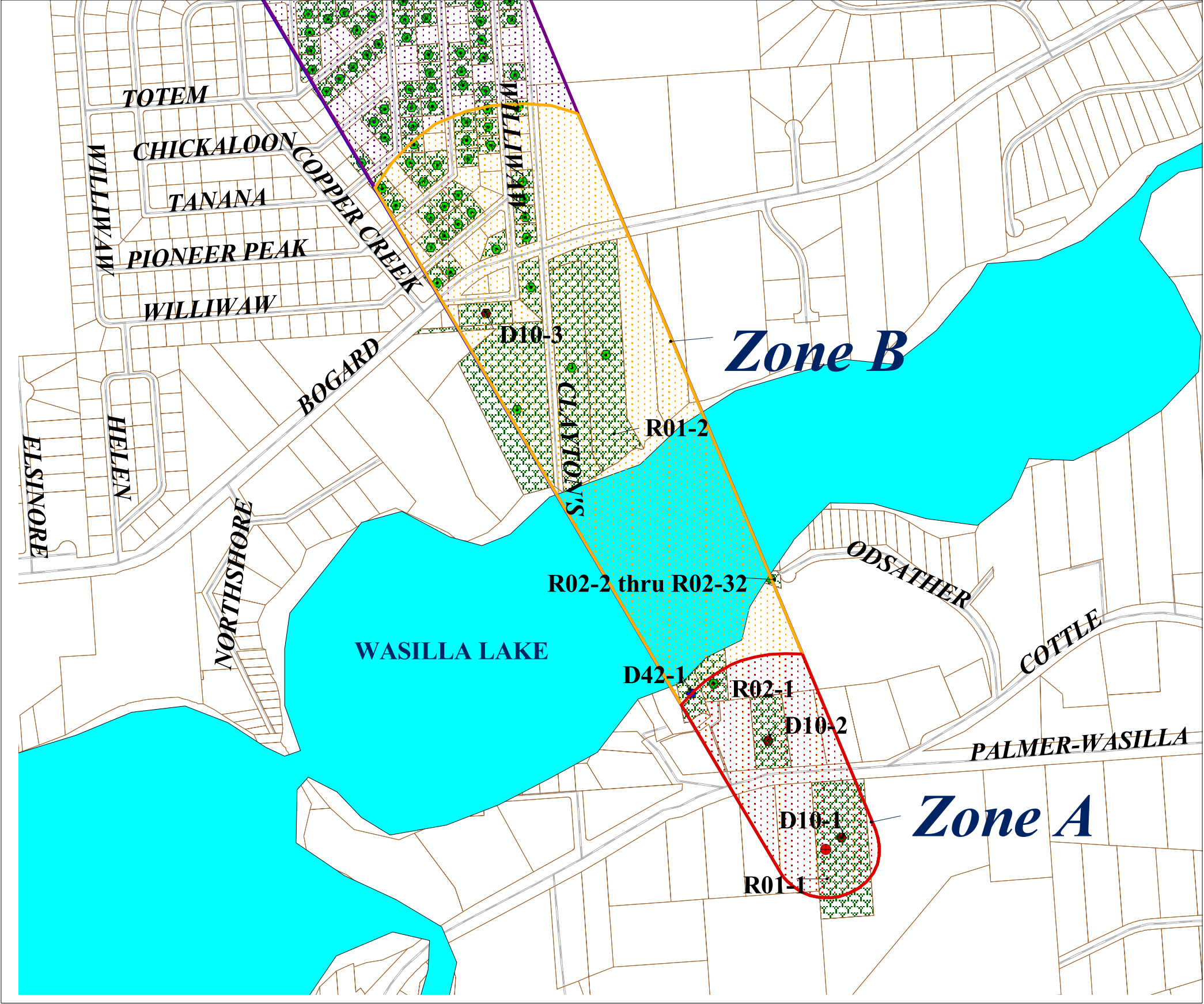
## **APPENDIX B**

### **Drinking Water Protection Area Showing Sources of Contamination**

# Arctic Circle of North America Existing and Potential Contaminant Sources

## Legend

- Arctic Circle of North America Well Location
- Zone A**
- Several Months Travel Time
- Zone B**
- Less Than Two Years Time of Travel
- Zone C**
- Less Than Five Years Time of Travel
- Zone D**
- Less Than Ten Years Time of Travel
- Lakes
- Land Parcels
- Roads (X20)
- Residential Areas (R01)
- Septic Systems**
- Large Capacity Septic Systems (D10)
- Vehicle Waste Disposal Wells (D42)
- Residential Septic Systems (R02)

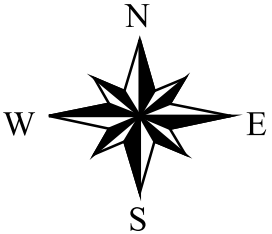
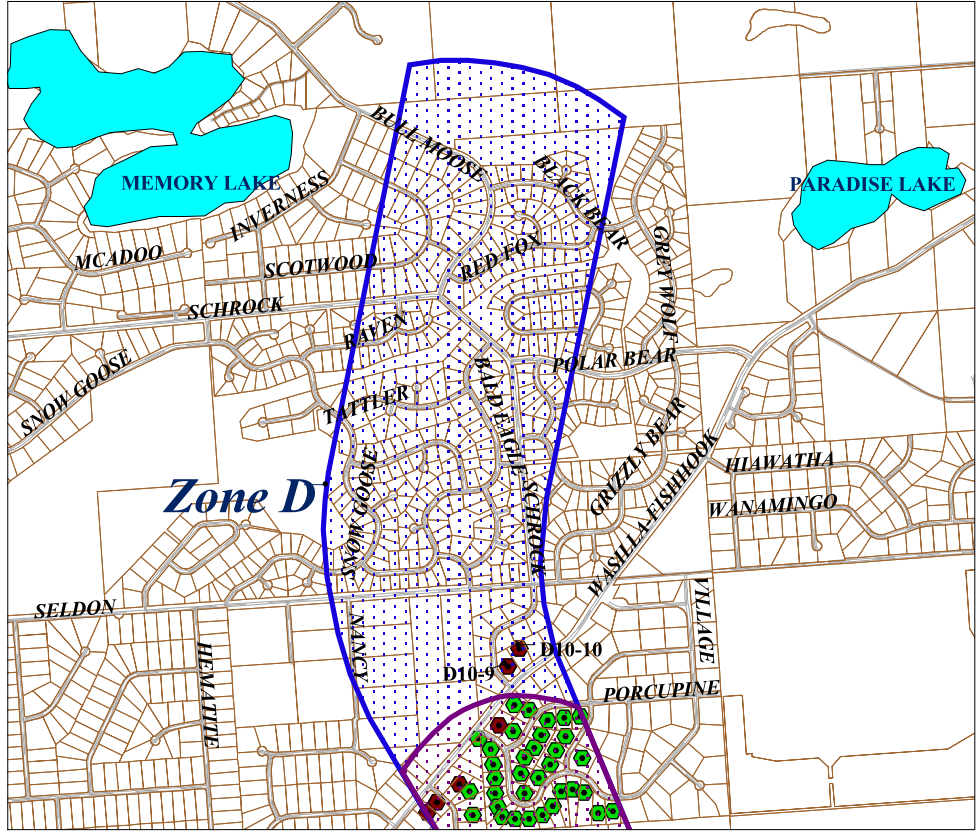
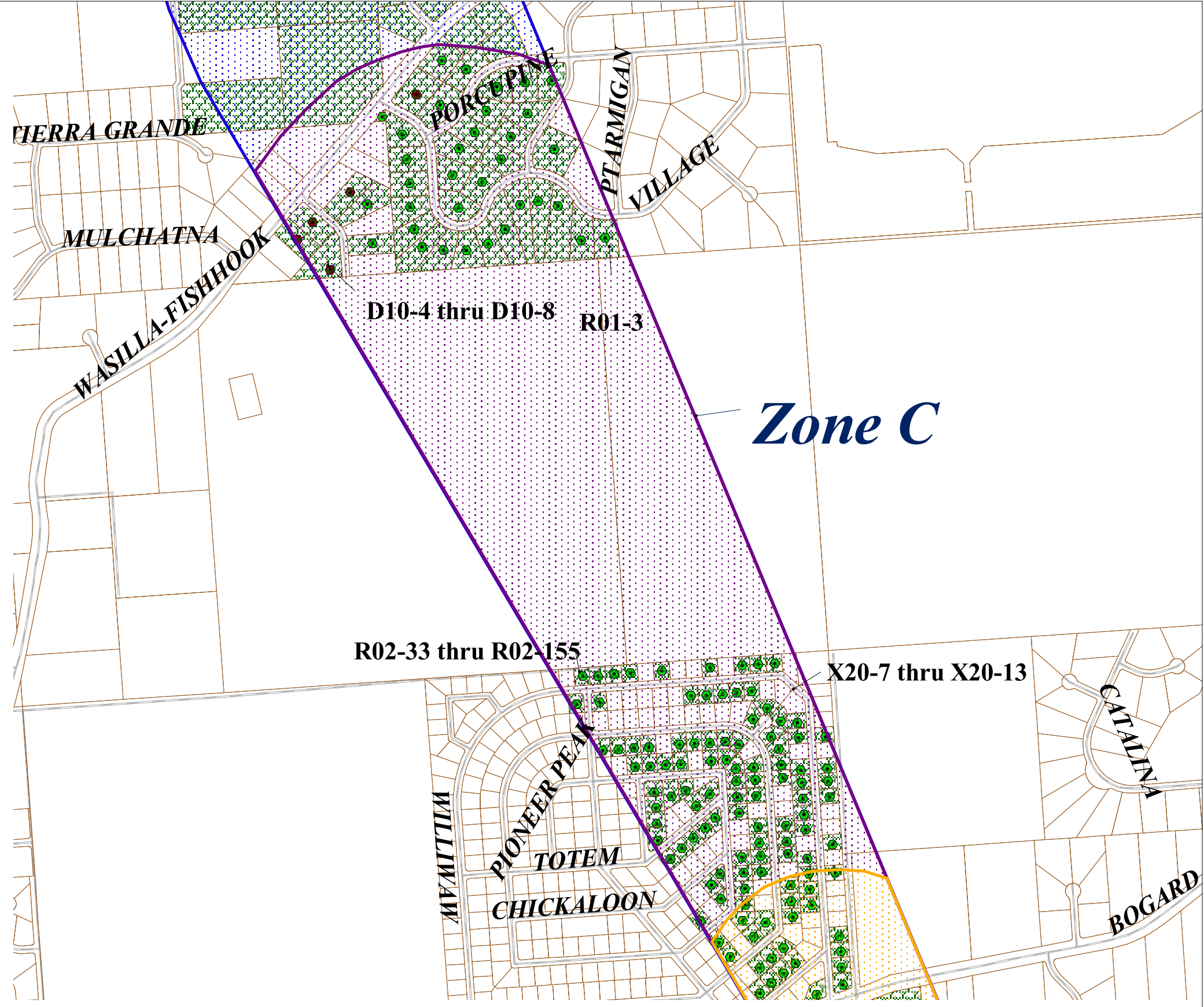


## Map Two

# Arctic Circle of North America Existing and Potential Contaminant Sources

## Legend

- Arctic Circle of North America Well Location
- Zone A**
- Several Months Travel Time
- Zone B**
- Less Than Two Years Time of Travel
- Zone C**
- Less Than Five Years Time of Travel
- Zone D**
- Less Than Ten Years Time of Travel
- Lakes
- Land Parcels
- Roads (X20)
- Residential Areas (R01)
- Septic Systems**
- Large Capacity Septic Systems (D10)
- Vehicle Waste Disposal Wells (D42)
- Residential Septic Systems (R02)



# Map Three

## **APPENDIX C**

### **Contaminant Source Inventory Tables**

**Table 1**

*Contaminant Source Inventory for  
Arctic Circle of North America*

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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>
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	A	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	A	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	A	2	1 Acre
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-1	A	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	B	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Motor Vehicle Waste Disposal Well	D42	D42-1	B	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-2	B	2	11 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-2-32	B	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2-6	B	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-4	C	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-5	C	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-6	C	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-7	C	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-8	C	3	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-3	C	3	45 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-33-155	C	3	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-7-13	C	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-10	D	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-9	D	3	



**Table 2**

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Arctic Circle of North America  
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	D10-1	A	High	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	A	High	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	A	Low	2	1 Acre
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-1	A	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	B	High	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Motor Vehicle Waste Disposal Well	D42	D42-1	B	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-2	B	Low	2	11 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-2-32	B	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2-6	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-9	D	High	3	

**Table 3**

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Arctic Circle of North America  
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>
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	A	High	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	A	High	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	A	Low	2	1 Acre
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-1	A	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	B	High	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-2	B	Low	2	11 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-2-32	B	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2-6	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-4	C	High	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-5	C	High	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-6	C	High	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-7	C	High	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-8	C	High	3	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-3	C	Low	3	45 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-33-155	C	Low	3	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-7-13	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-10	D	High	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-9	D	High	3	

*Table 3 (continued)*

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Arctic Circle of North America  
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>
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Table 4

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Arctic Circle of North America  
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>
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	A	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	A	Low	2	1 Acre
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-1	A	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Motor Vehicle Waste Disposal Well	D42	D42-1	B	High	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-2	B	Low	2	11 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-2-32	B	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2-6	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-4	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-5	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-6	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-7	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-8	C	Low	3	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-3	C	Low	3	45 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-33-155	C	Low	3	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-7-13	C	Low	3	

**Table 5**

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Arctic Circle of North America  
Sources of Heavy Metals, Cyanide and Other Inorganic 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>
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	A	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	A	Low	2	1 Acre
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-1	A	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Motor Vehicle Waste Disposal Well	D42	D42-1	B	High	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-2	B	Low	2	11 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-2-32	B	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2-6	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-4	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-5	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-6	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-7	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-8	C	Low	3	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-3	C	Low	3	45 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-33-155	C	Low	3	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-7-13	C	Low	3	

**Table 6**

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Arctic Circle of North America  
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>
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	A	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	A	Low	2	1 Acre
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Motor Vehicle Waste Disposal Well	D42	D42-1	B	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-2	B	Low	2	11 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-2-32	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-4	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-5	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-6	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-7	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-8	C	Low	3	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-3	C	Low	3	45 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-33-155	C	Low	3	

Table 7

*Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for  
Arctic Circle of North America  
Sources of Other Organic Chemicals*

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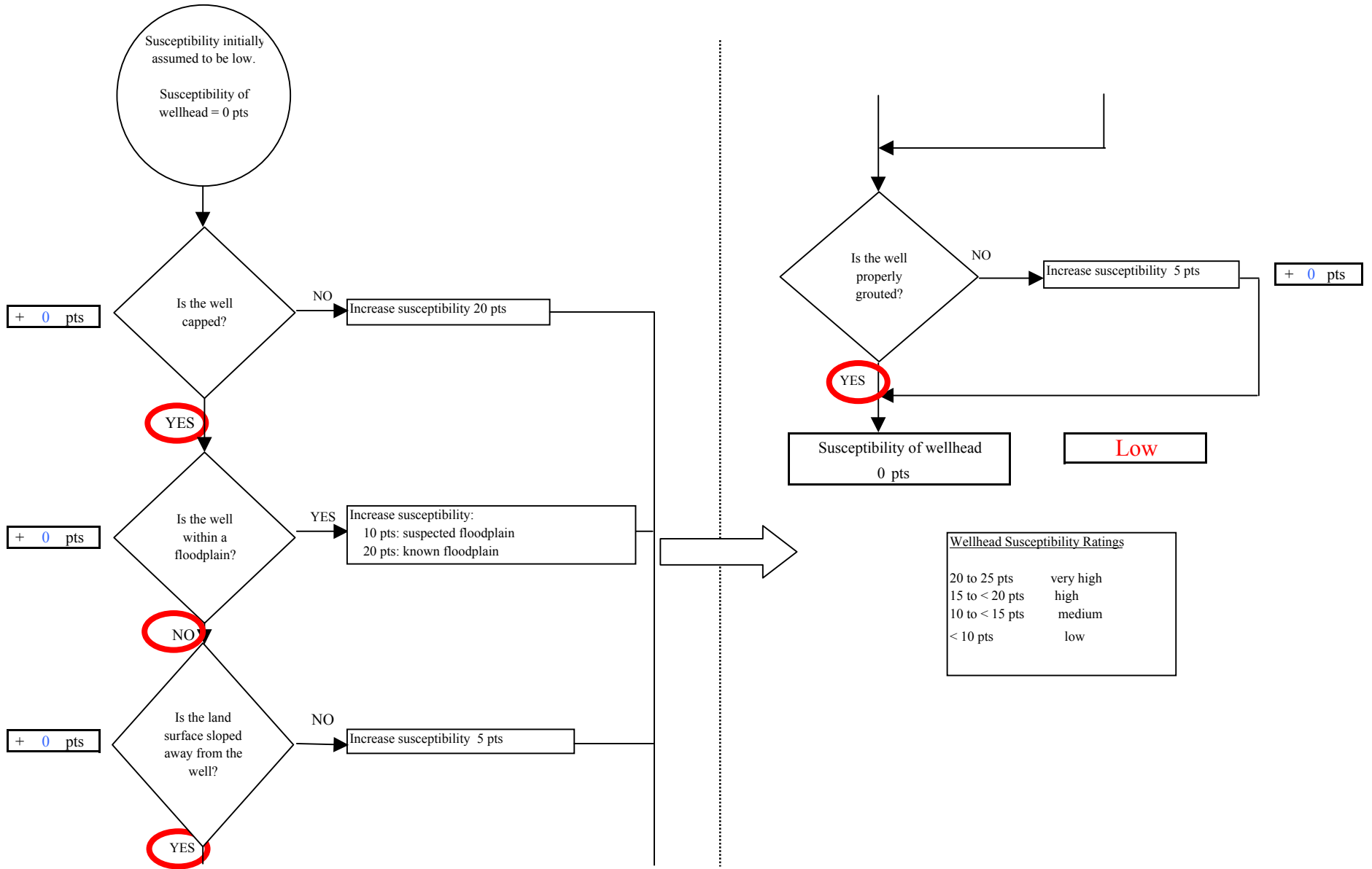
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Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-2	A	Low	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-1	A	Low	2	1 Acre
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-1	A	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-3	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Motor Vehicle Waste Disposal Well	D42	D42-1	B	Medium	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-2	B	Low	2	11 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-2-32	B	Low	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2-6	B	Low	2	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-4	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-5	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-6	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-7	C	Low	3	
Injection wells (Class V) Large-Capacity Septic System (Drainfield Disposal Method)	D10	D10-8	C	Low	3	
Residential Areas	R01	R01-3	C	Low	3	45 Acres
Septic systems (serves one single-family home)	R02	R02-33-155	C	Low	3	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-7-13	C	Low	3	

## **APPENDIX D**

### **Vulnerability Analysis Charts and Tables**



**Chart 1. Susceptibility of the wellhead - Arctic Circle of North America**



**Chart 2. Susceptibility of the aquifer - Arctic Circle of North America**

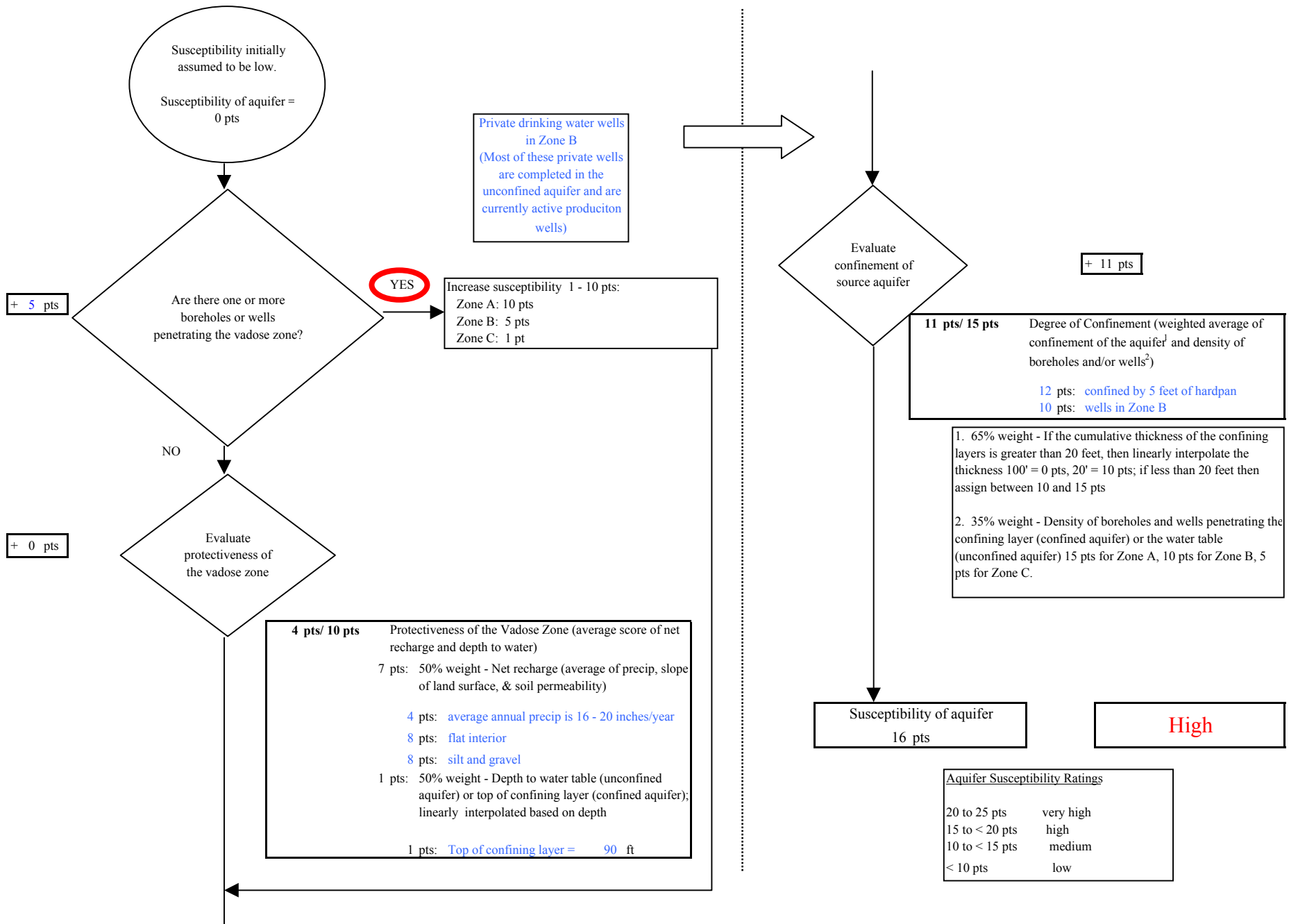
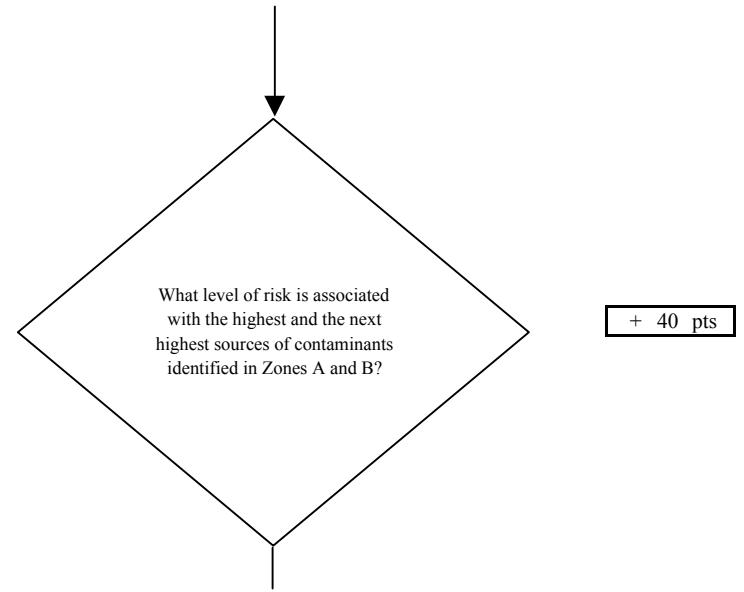
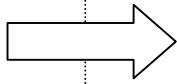
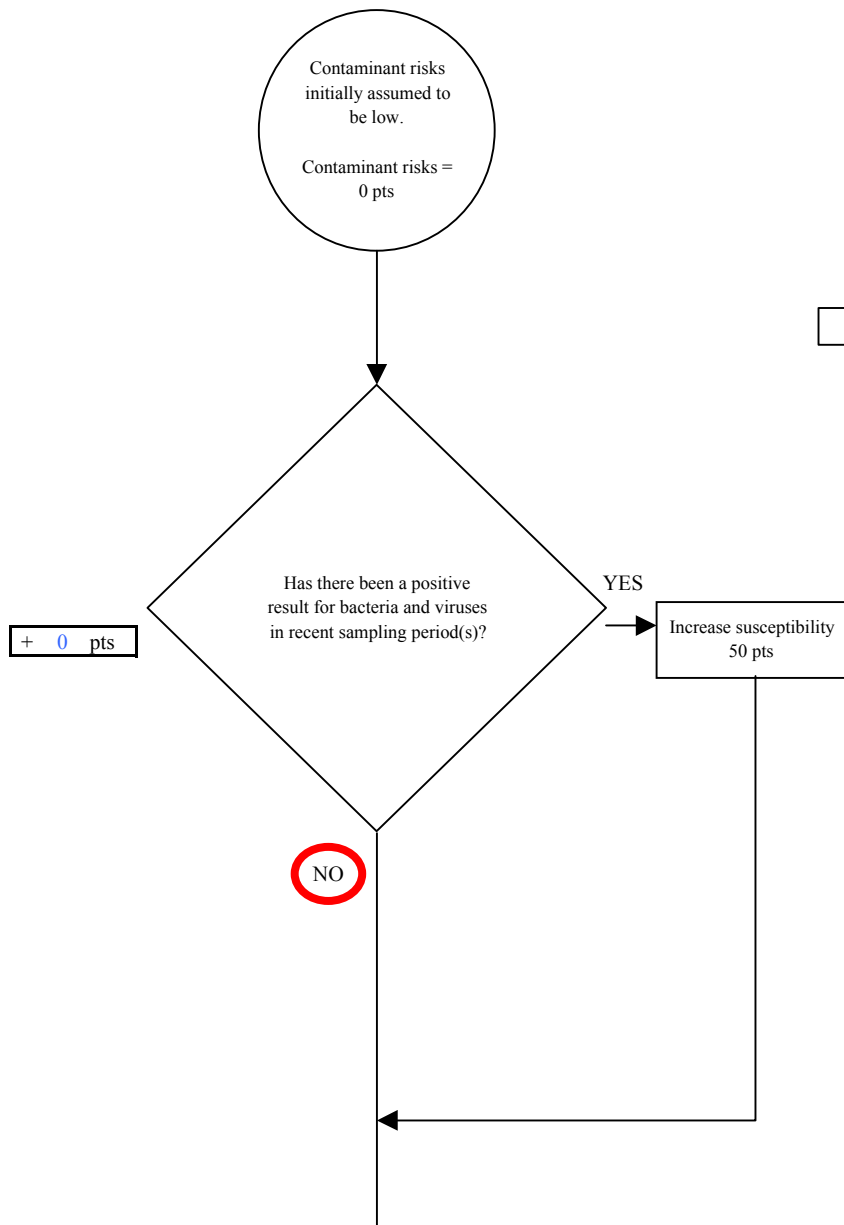


Chart 3. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Bacteria & Viruses



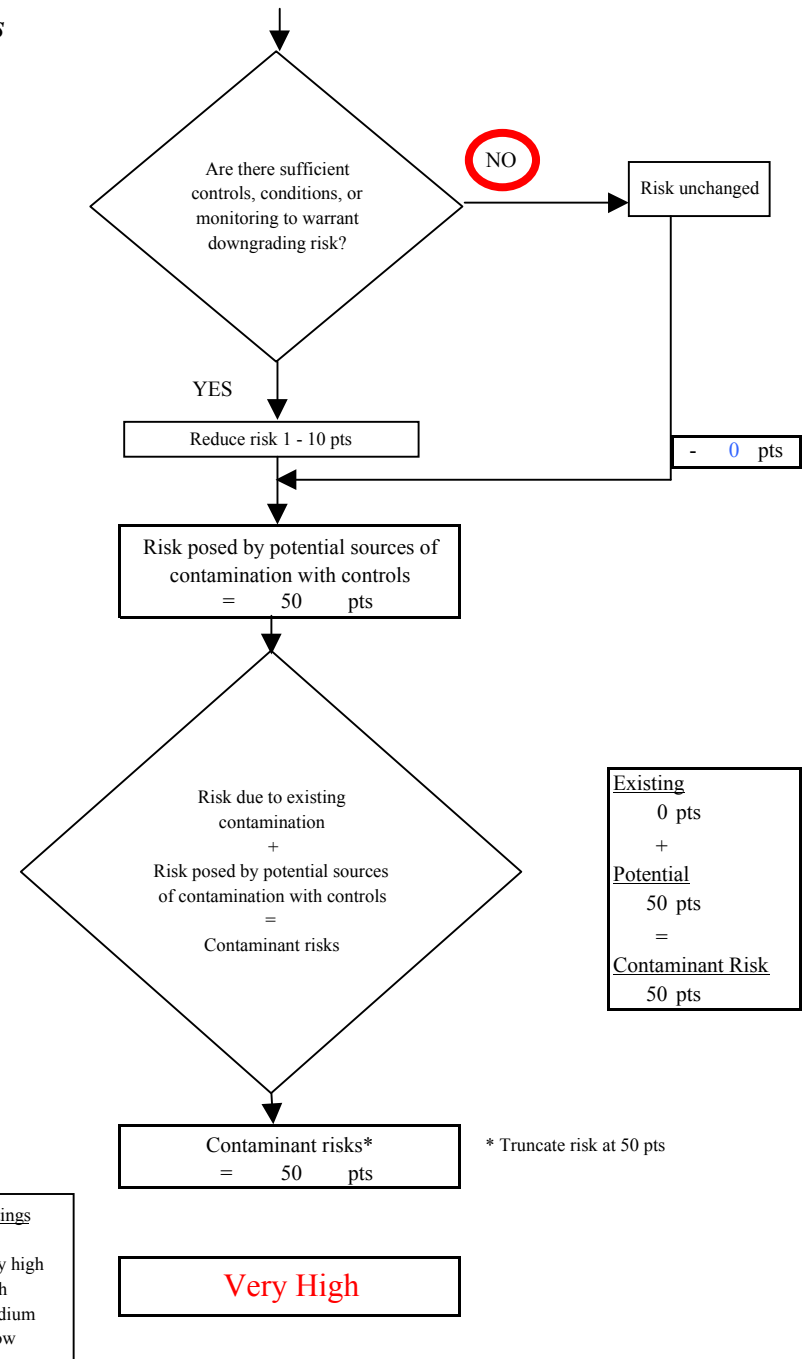
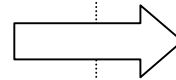
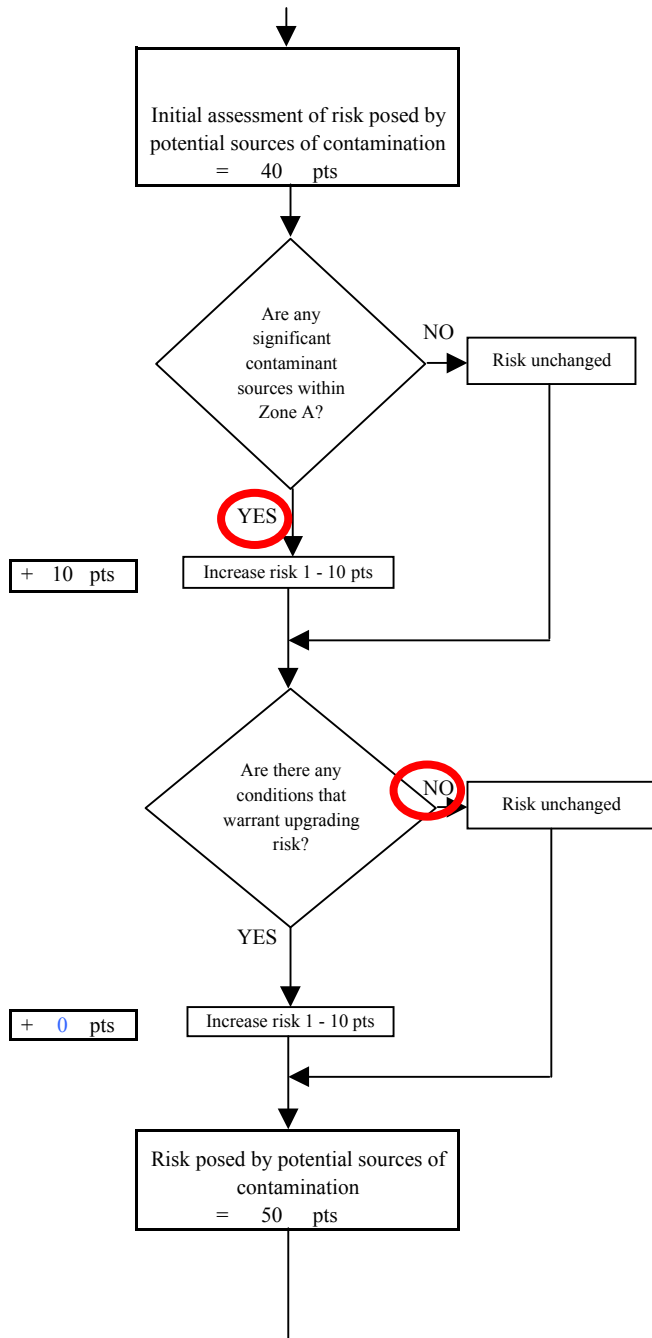
Risk Rankings for Contaminant Sources Identified in Zones A and B			
	Zone A	Zone B	Total
Very High(s)	0	0	0
High(s)	2	1	3
Medium(s)	0	0	0
Low(s)	3	7	10

	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

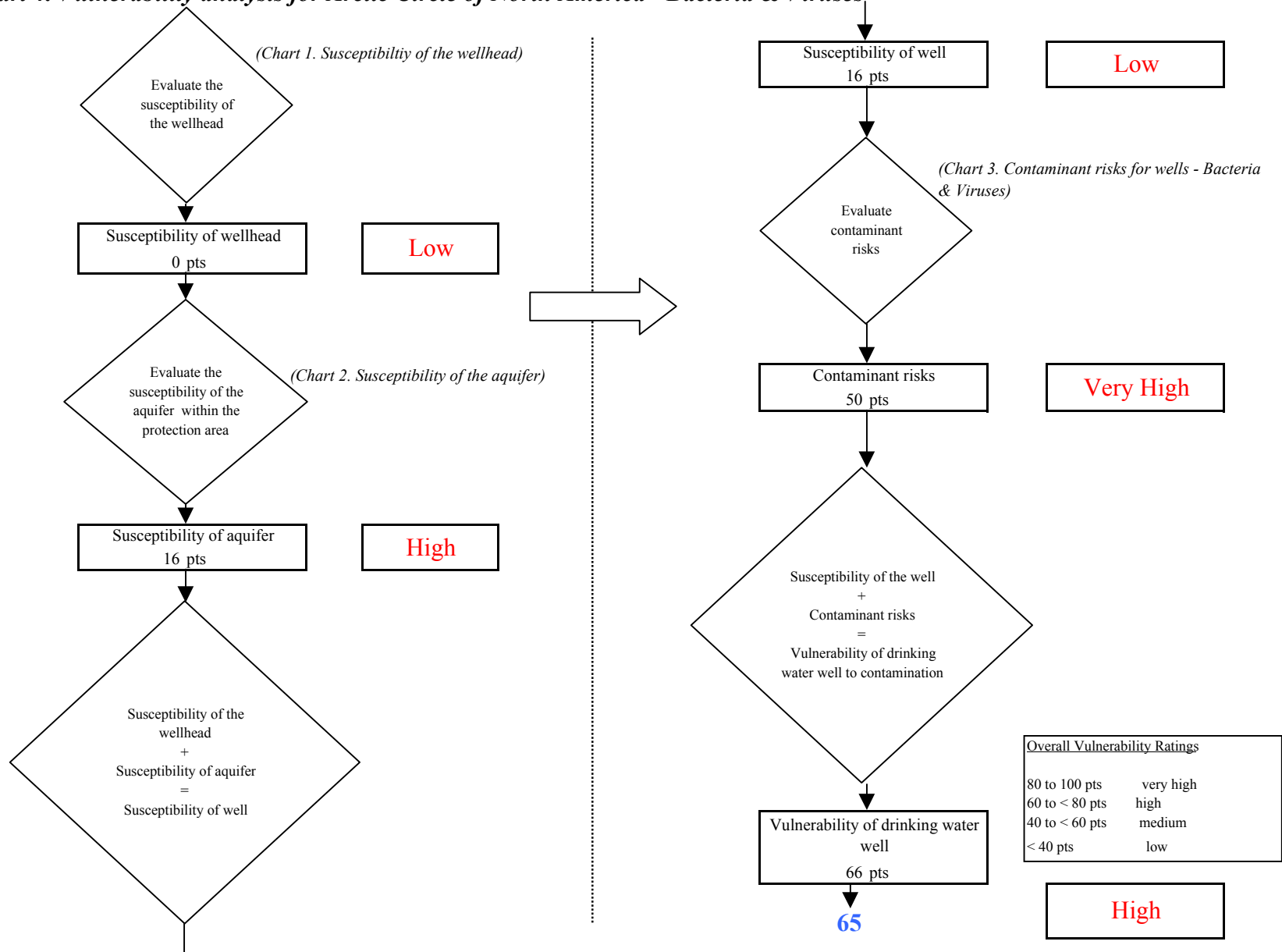
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Note: Septic systems, sewerlines, and roads are each assigned a risk ranking for each individual contaminant source in the CSI. The VA, however, counts these contaminant sources as a group and assigns a calculated number of either "lows" or "mediums"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

**Chart 3. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Bacteria & Viruses**



**Chart 4. Vulnerability analysis for Arctic Circle of North America - Bacteria & Viruses**



**Chart 5. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Nitrates and Nitrites**

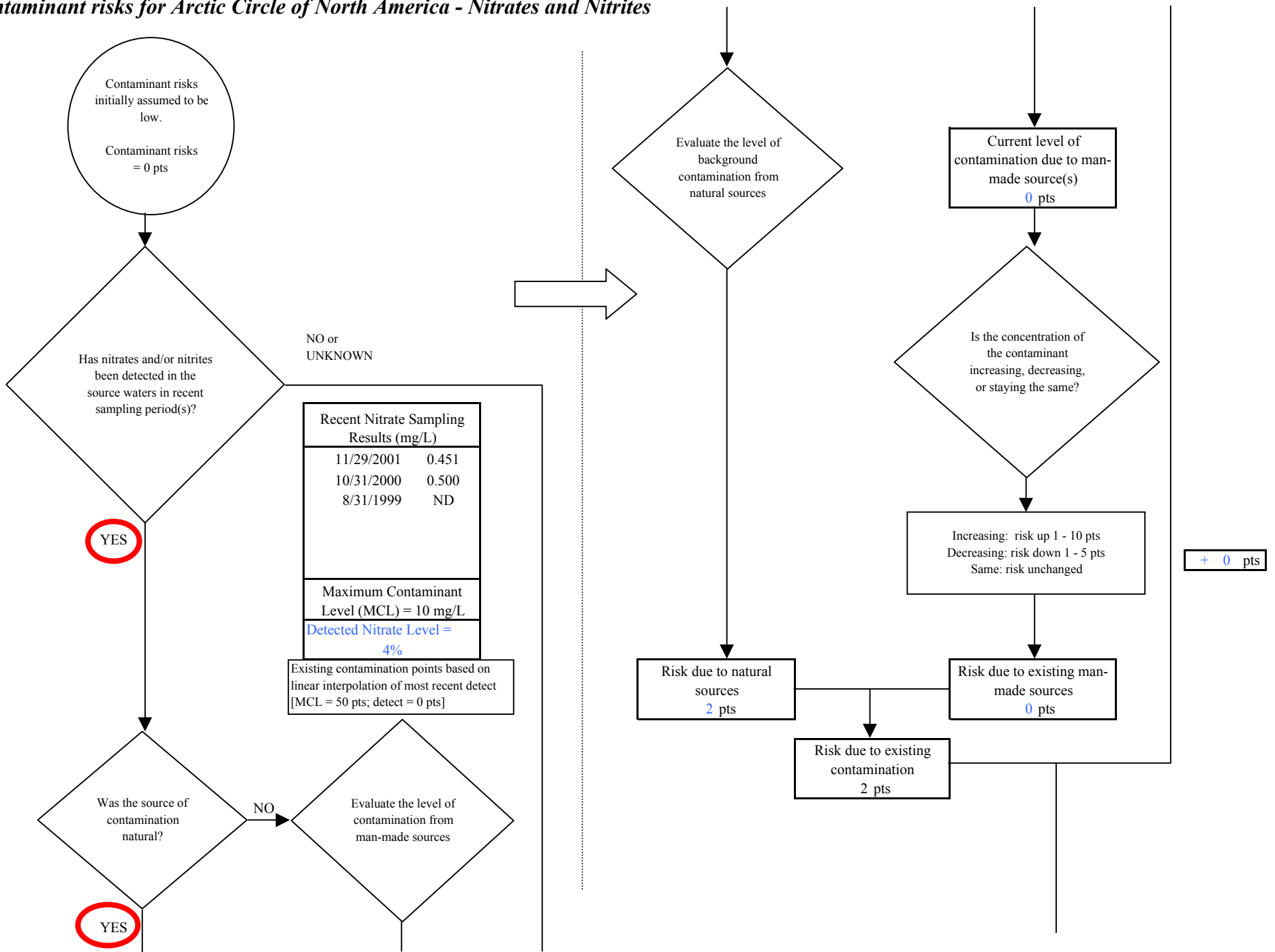
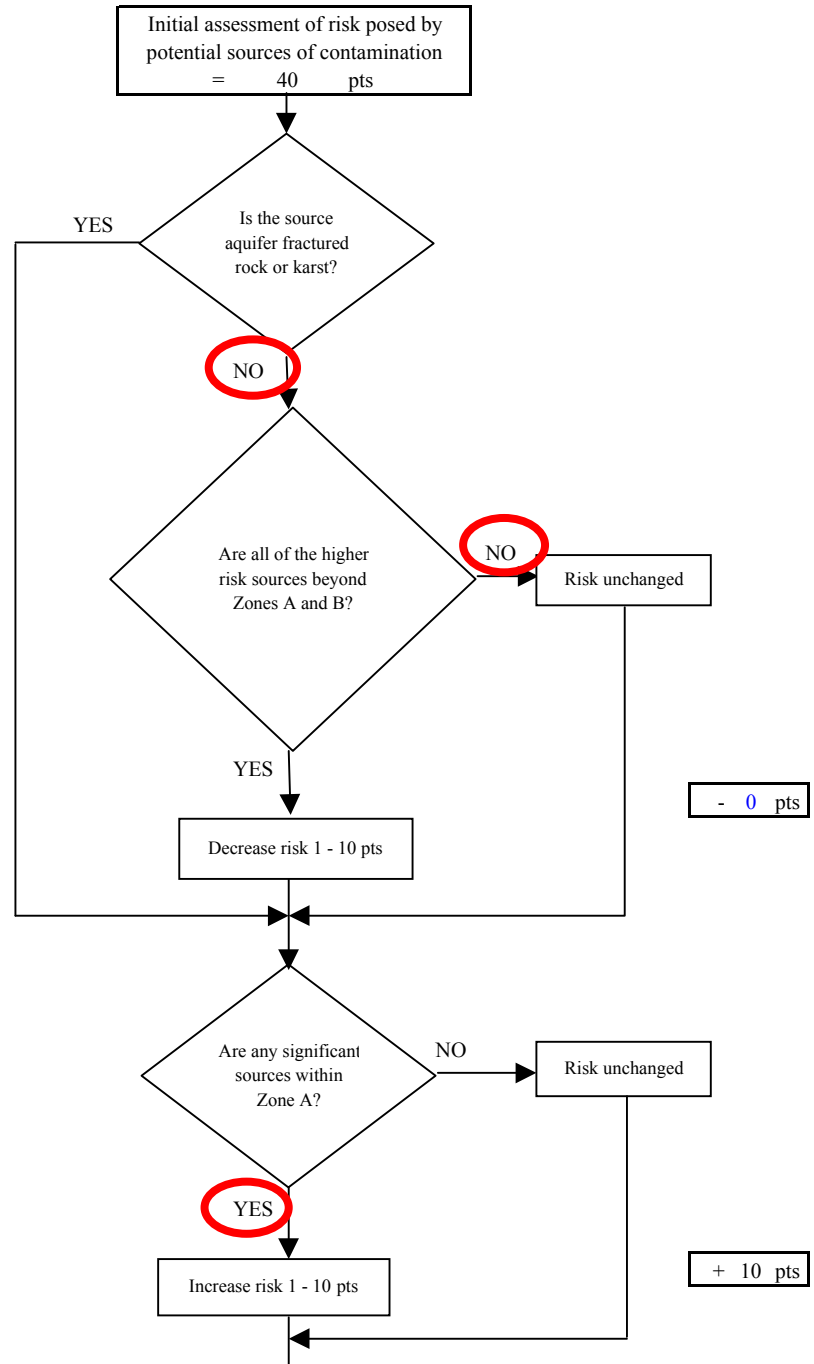
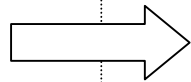
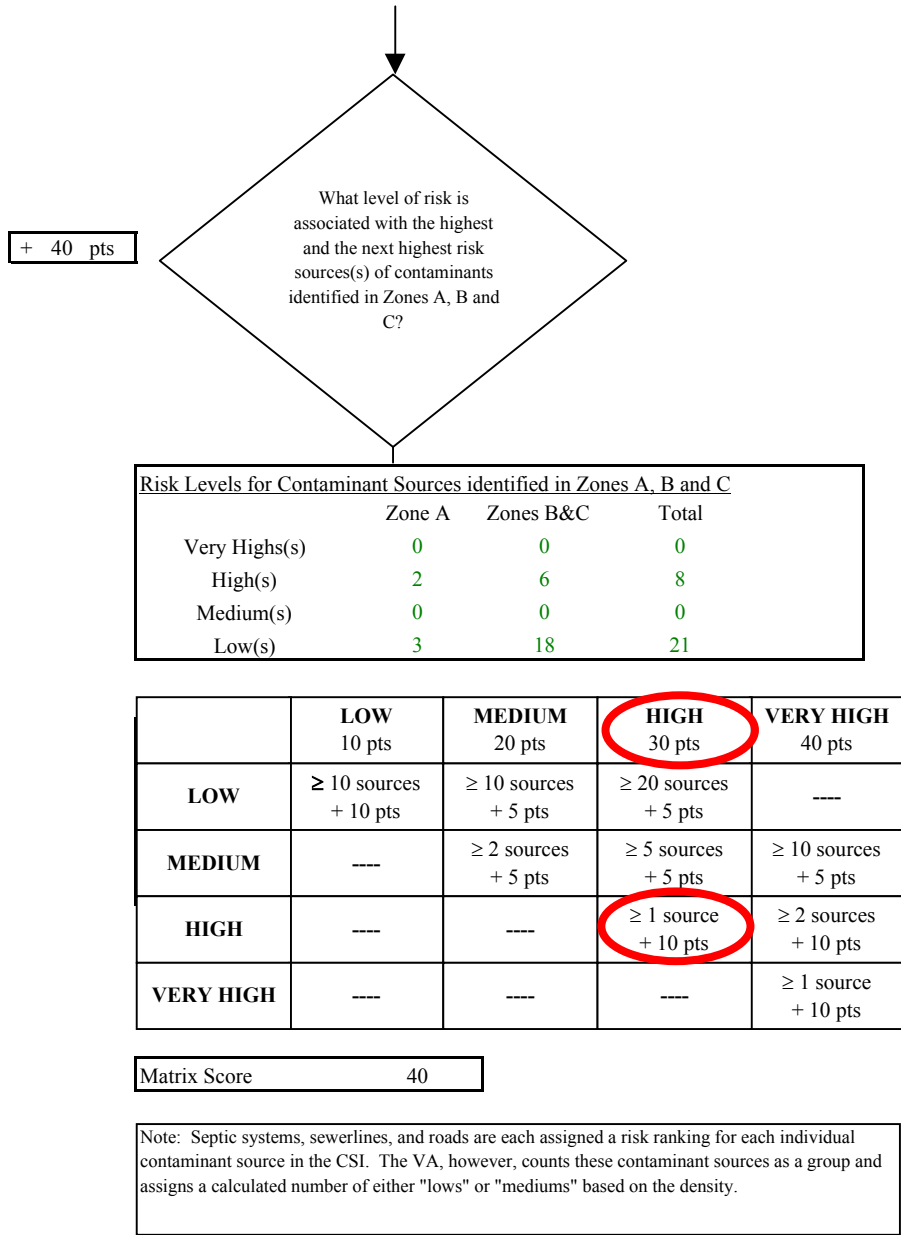
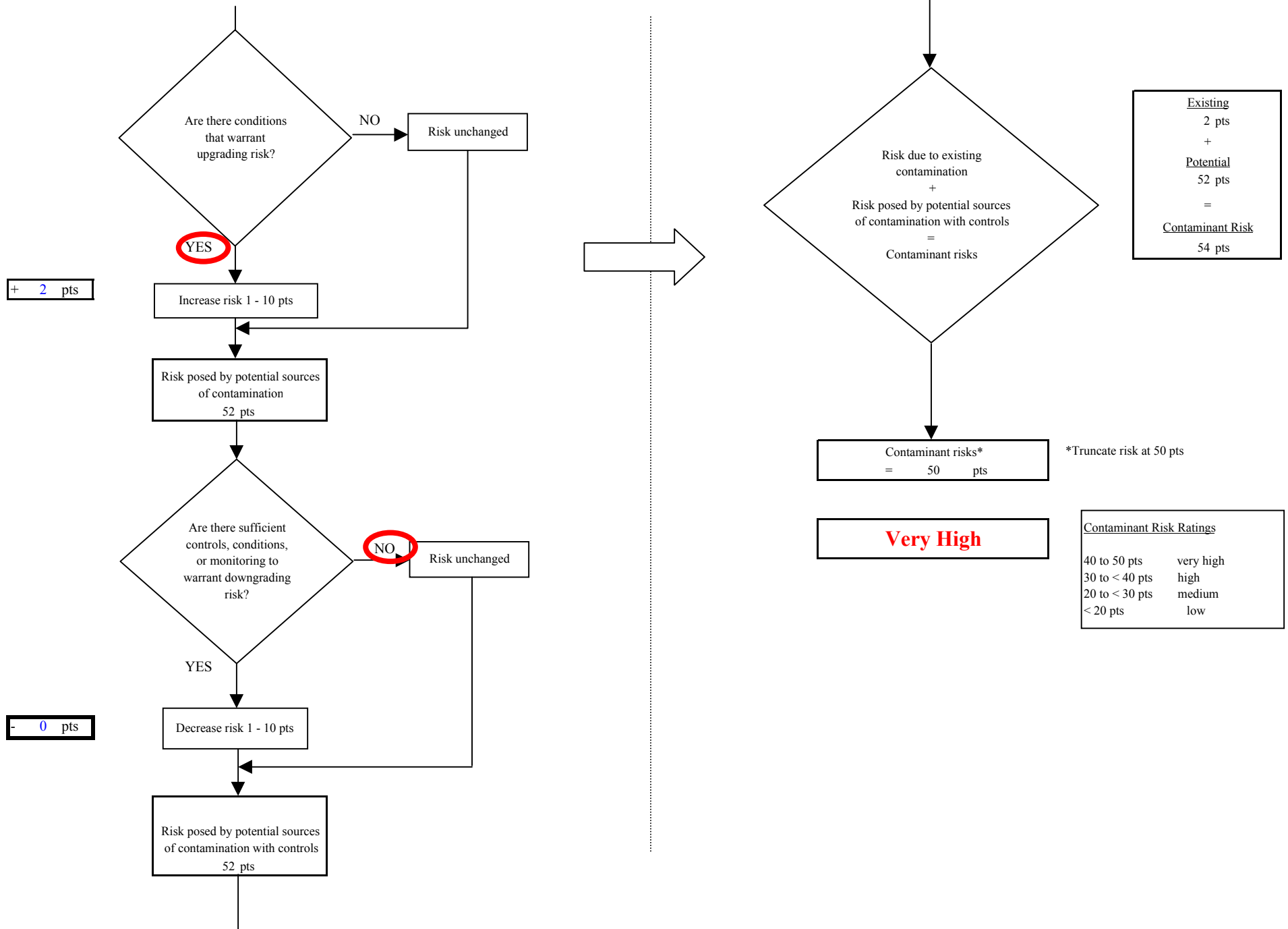


Chart 5. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Nitrates and Nitrites

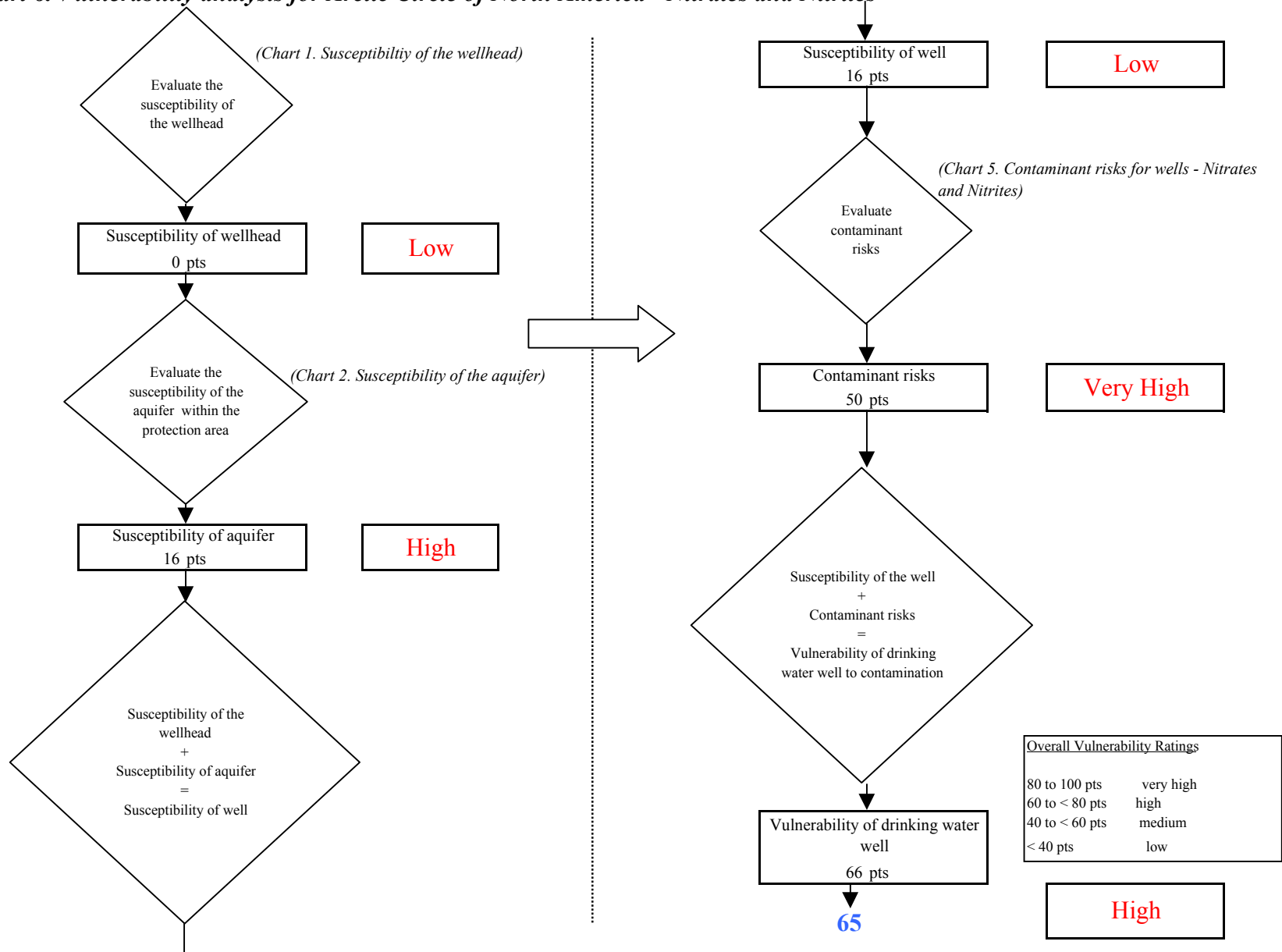


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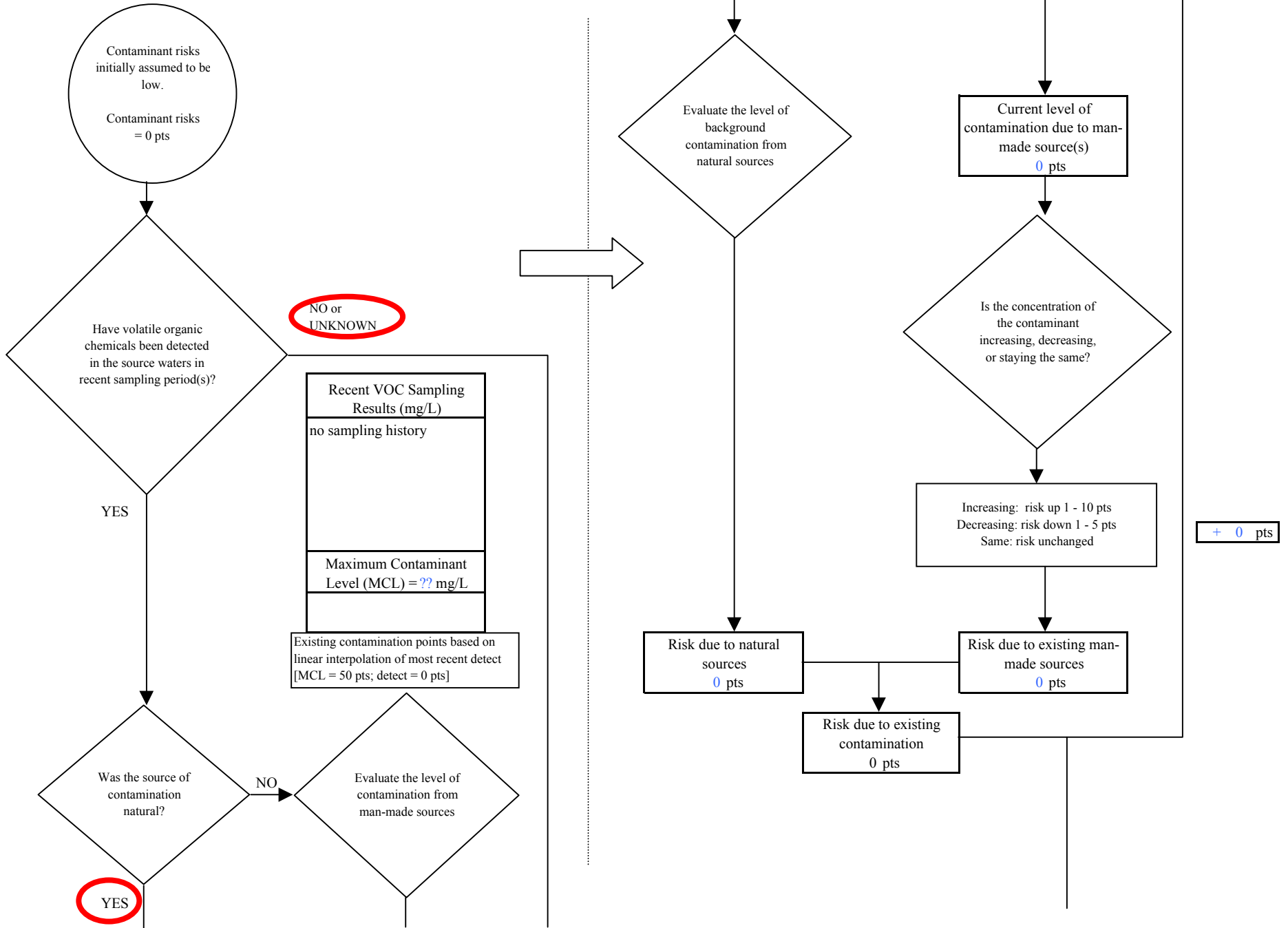




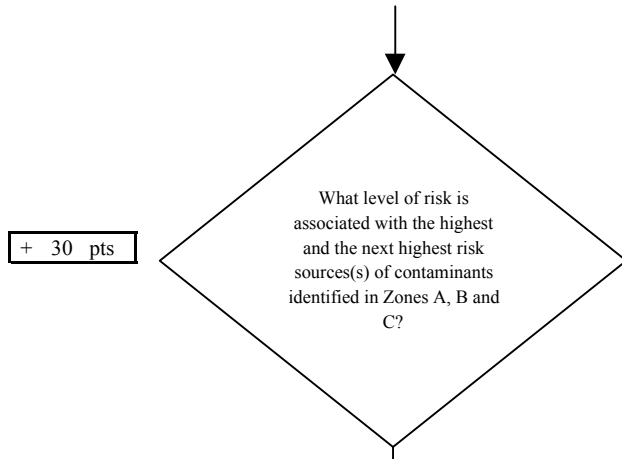
**Chart 6. Vulnerability analysis for Arctic Circle of North America - Nitrates and Nitrites**



**Chart 7. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Volatile Organic Chemicals**



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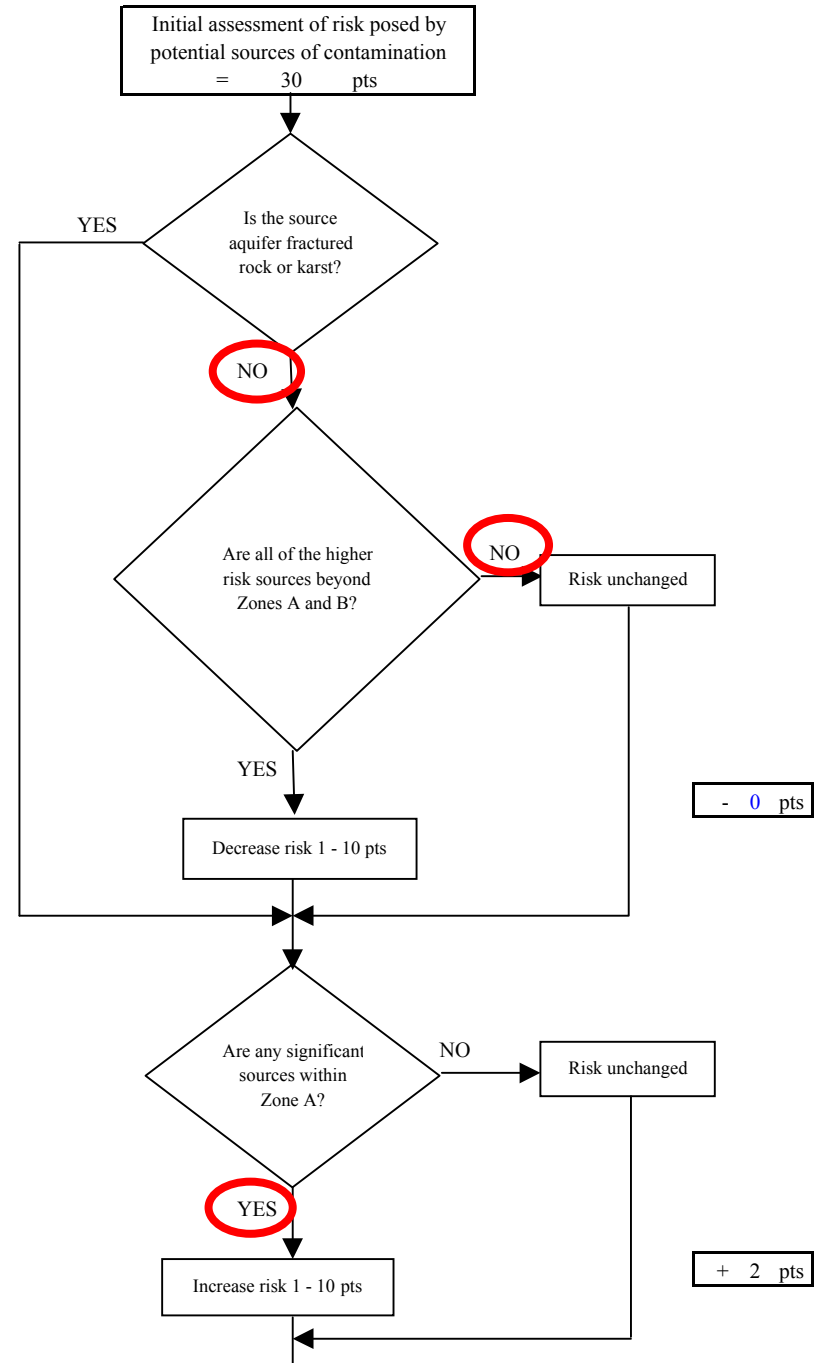
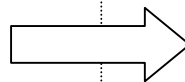


Risk Levels for Contaminant Sources identified in Zones A, B and C			
	Zone A	Zones B&C	Total
Very High(s)	0	0	0
High(s)	0	1	1
Medium(s)	0	0	0
Low(s)	5	10	15

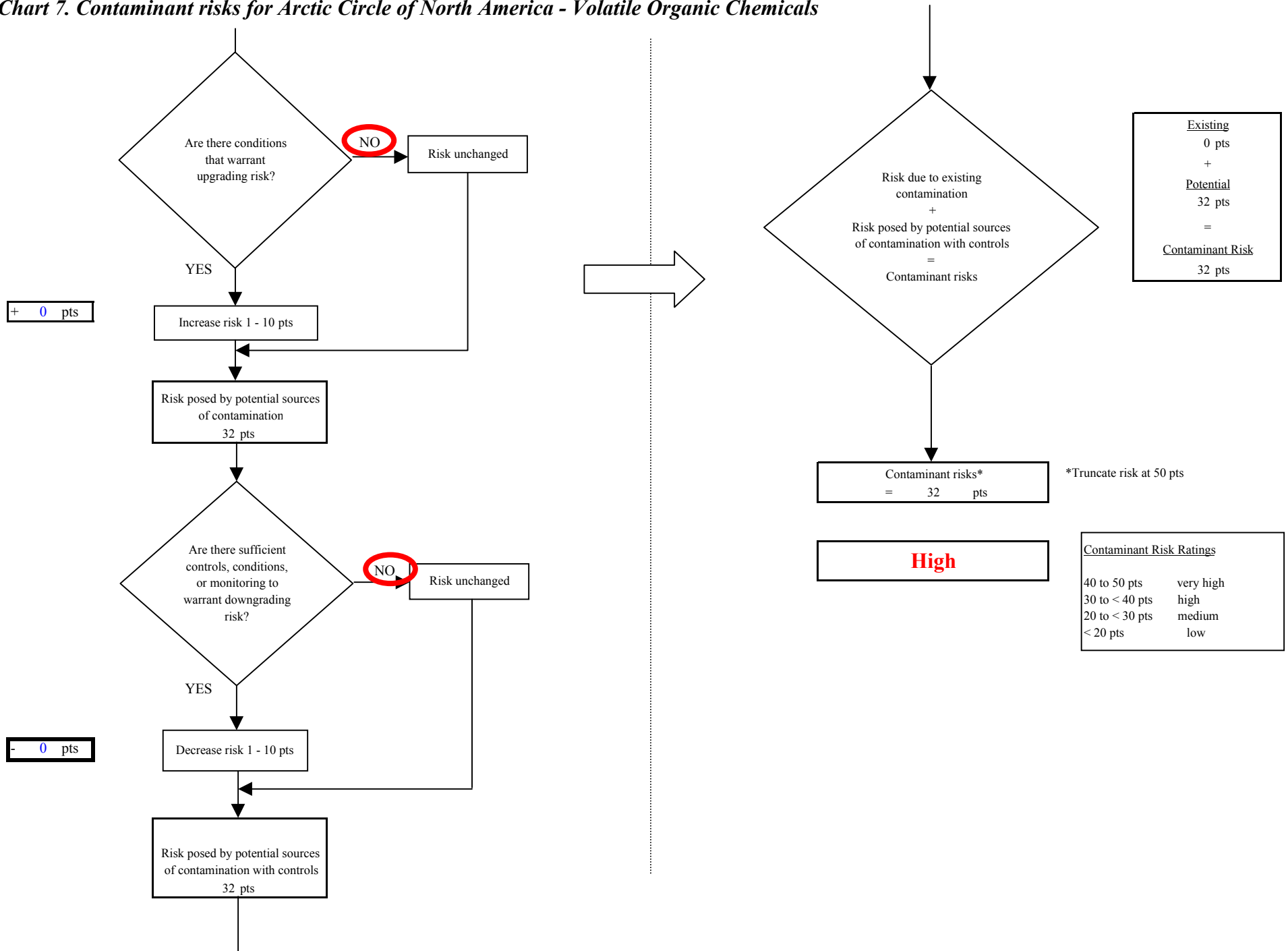
	LOW 10 pts	MEDIUM 20 pts	HIGH 30 pts	VERY HIGH 40 pts
LOW	≥ 10 sources + 10 pts	≥ 10 sources + 5 pts	≥ 20 sources + 5 pts	----
MEDIUM	----	≥ 2 sources + 5 pts	≥ 5 sources + 5 pts	≥ 10 sources + 5 pts
HIGH	----	----	≥ 1 source + 10 pts	≥ 2 sources + 10 pts
VERY HIGH	----	----	----	≥ 1 source + 10 pts

Matrix Score 30

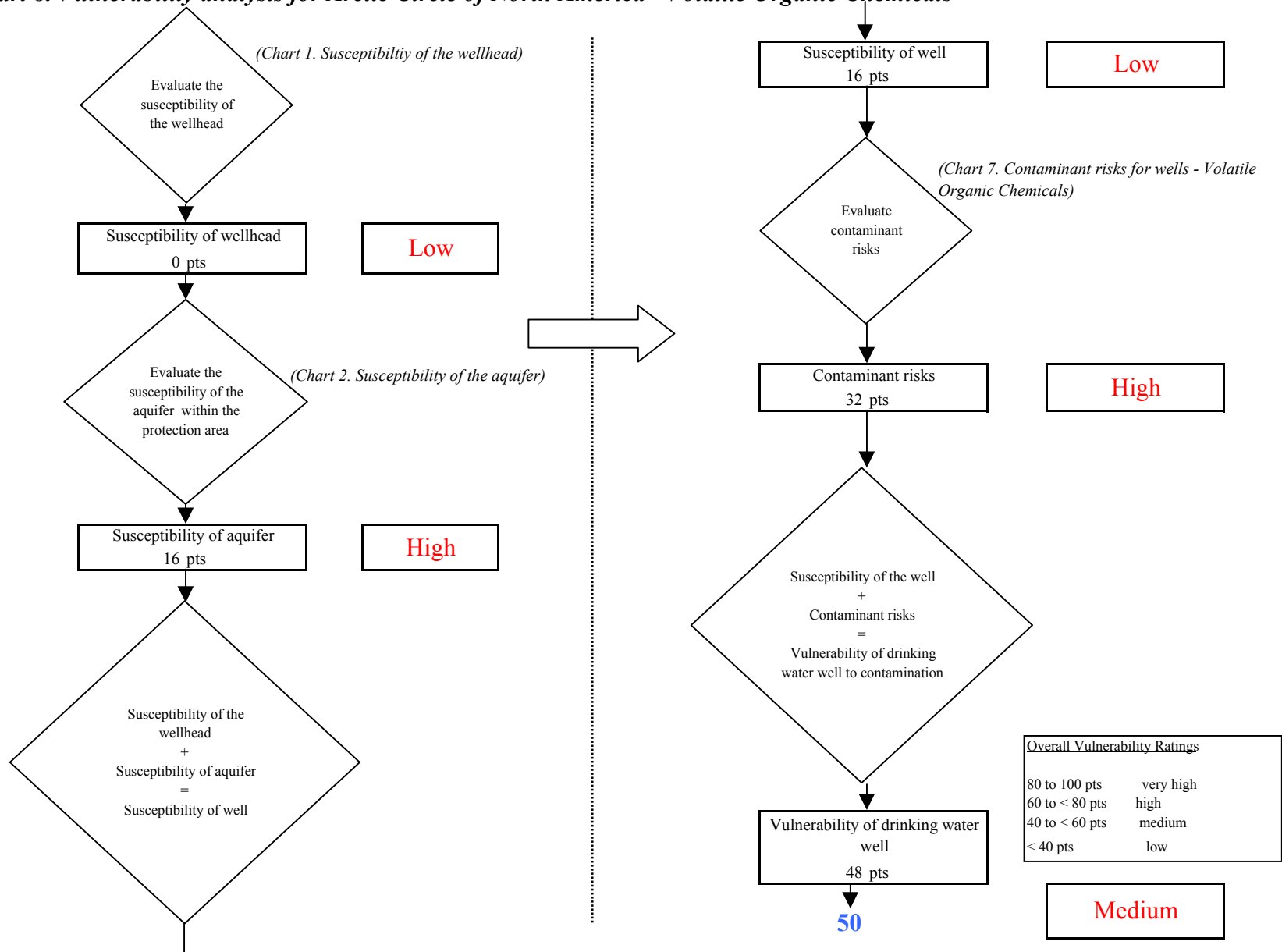
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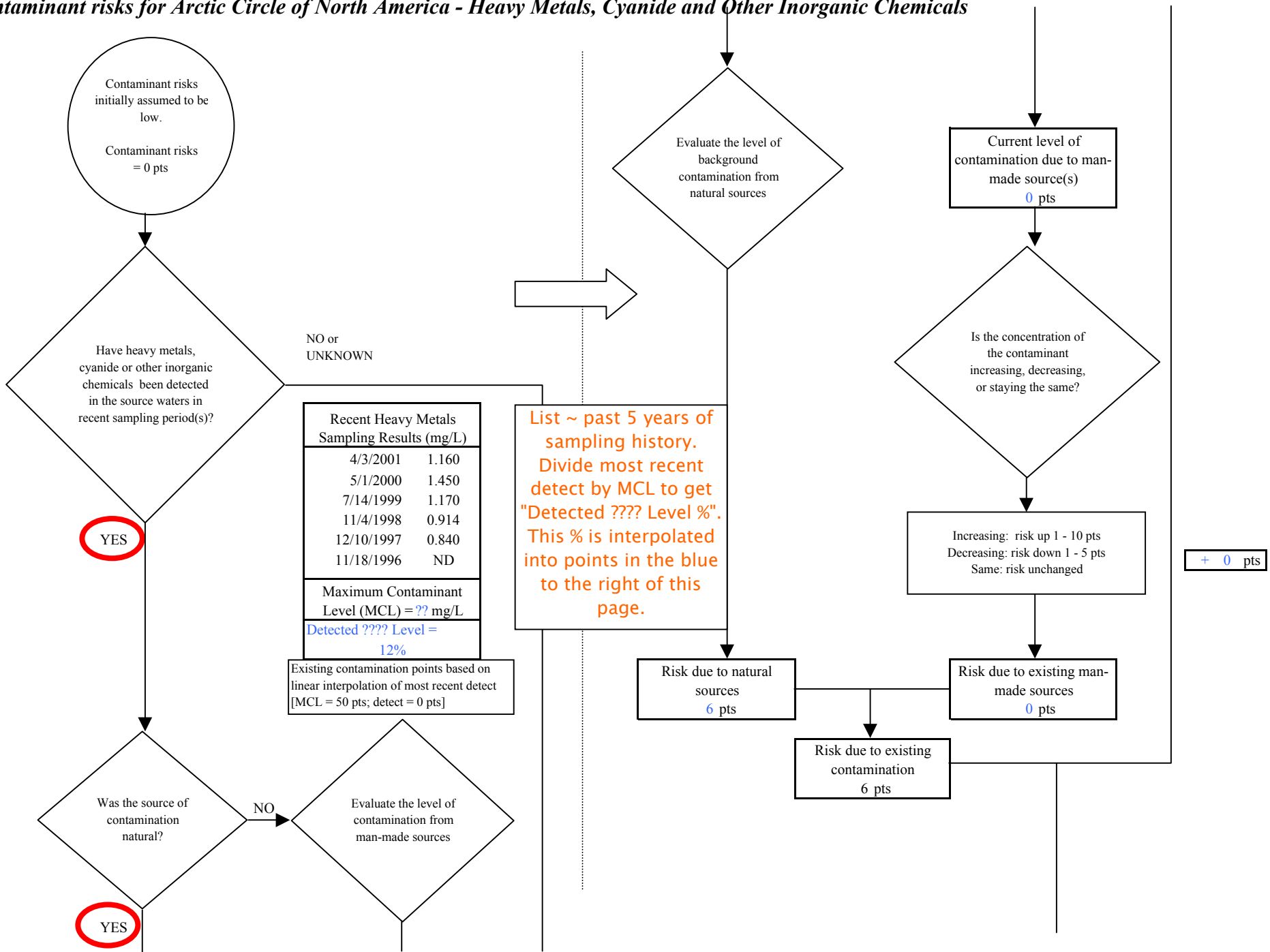
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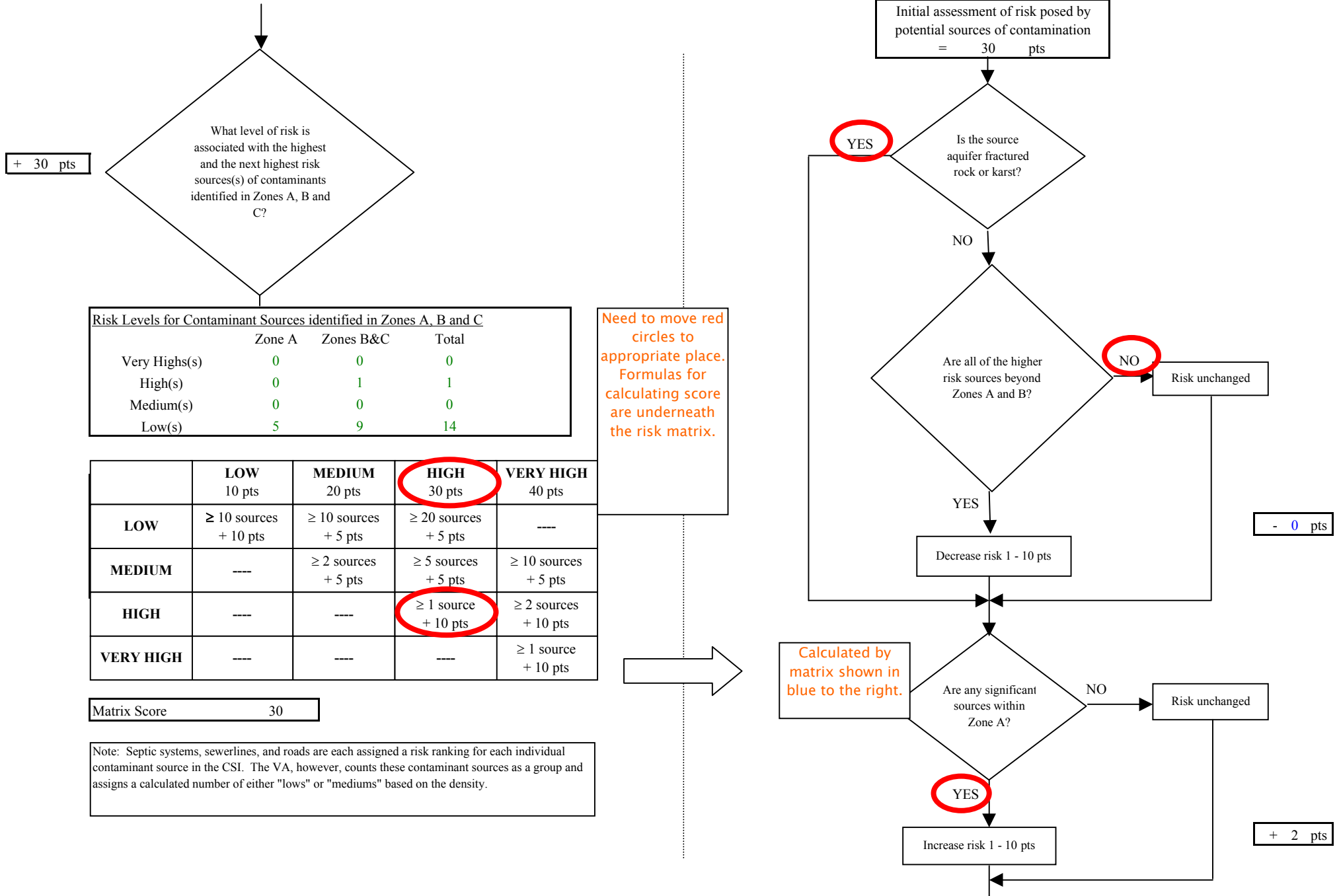
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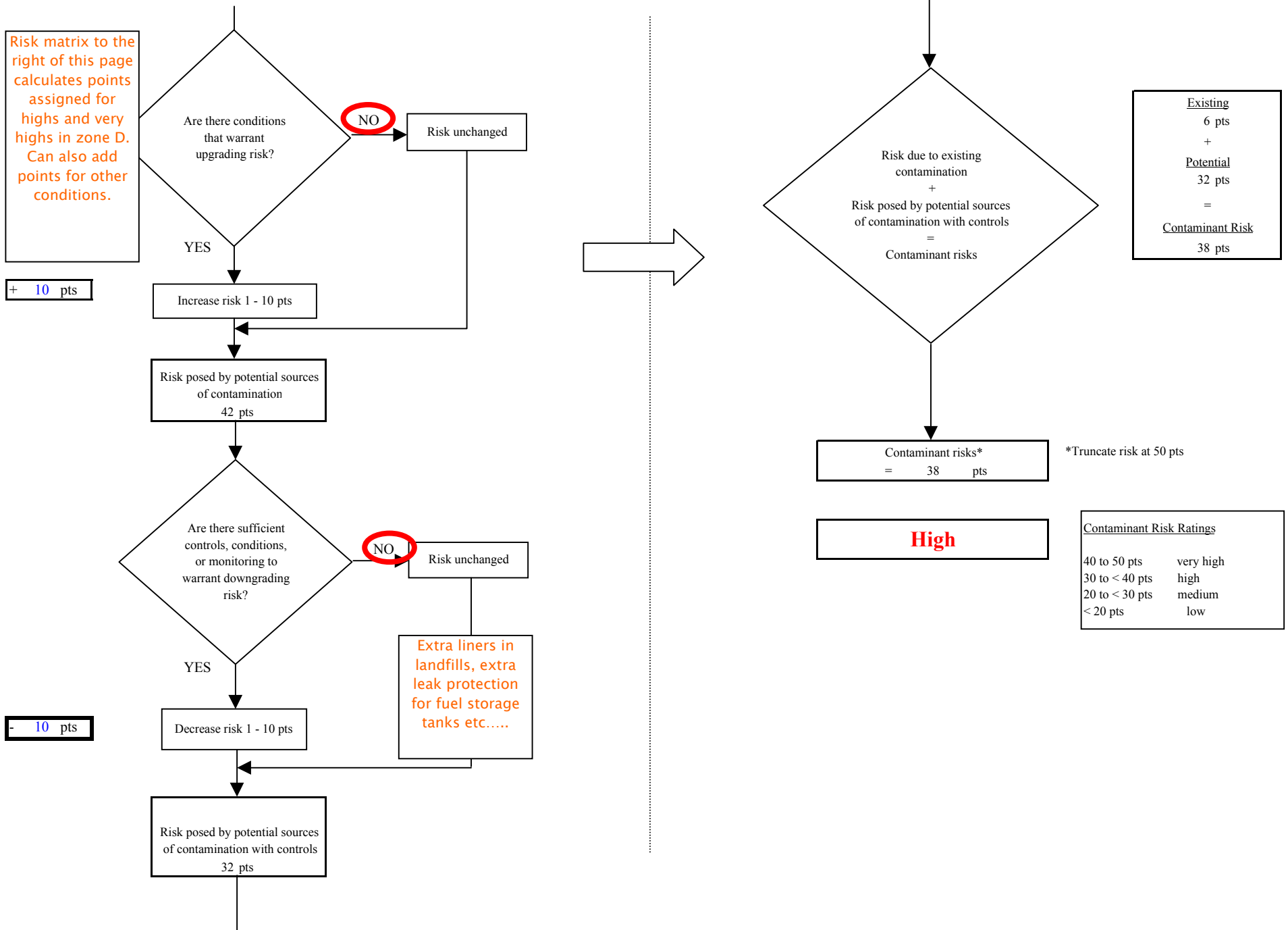
**Chart 9. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Heavy Metals, Cyanide and Other Inorganic Chemicals**



**Chart 9. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Heavy Metals, Cyanide and Other Inorganic Chemicals**

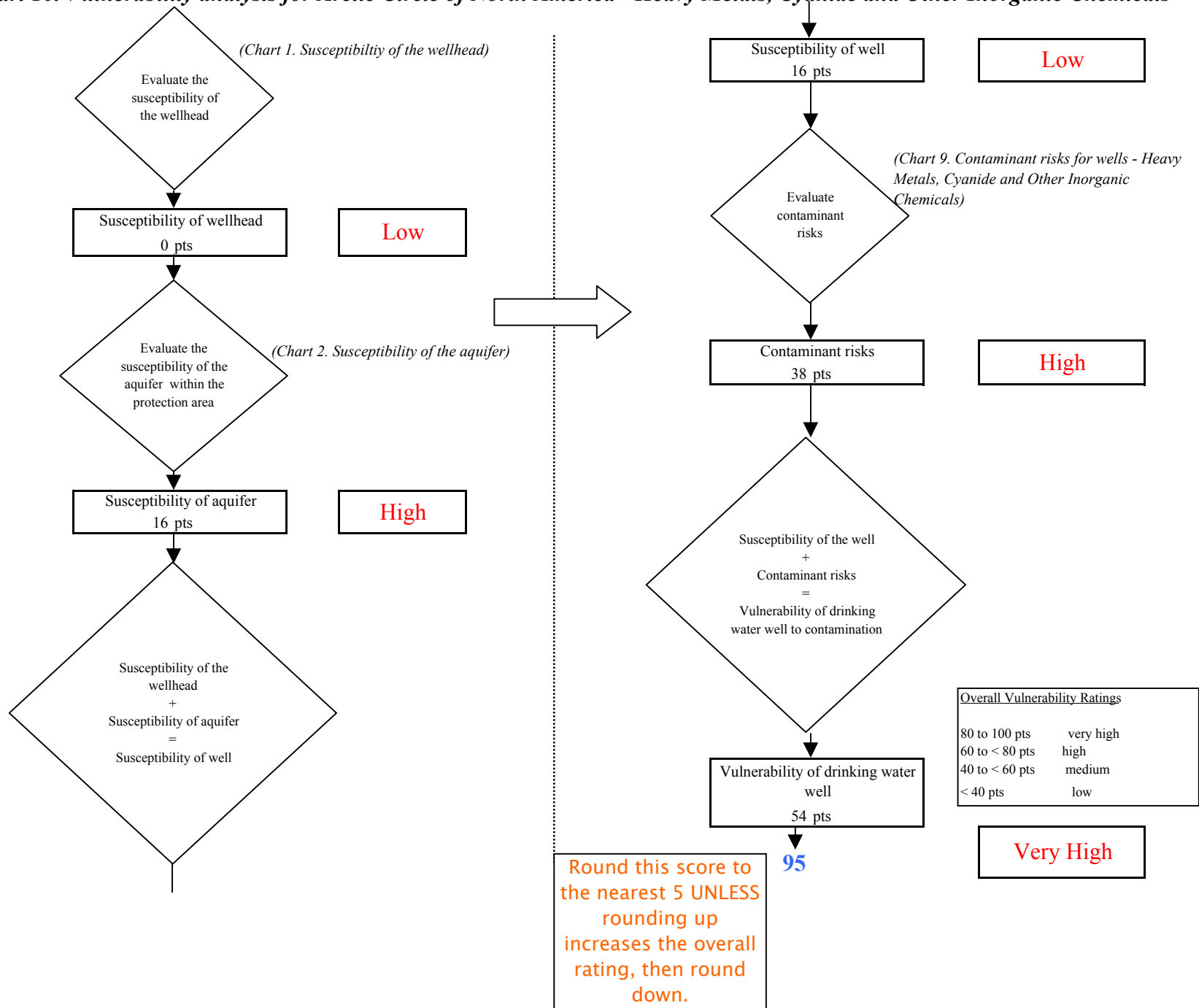


**Chart 9. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Heavy Metals, Cyanide and Other Inorganic Chemicals**





**Chart 10. Vulnerability analysis for Arctic Circle of North America - Heavy Metals, Cyanide and Other Inorganic Chemicals**



**Chart 11. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Synthetic Organic Chemicals**

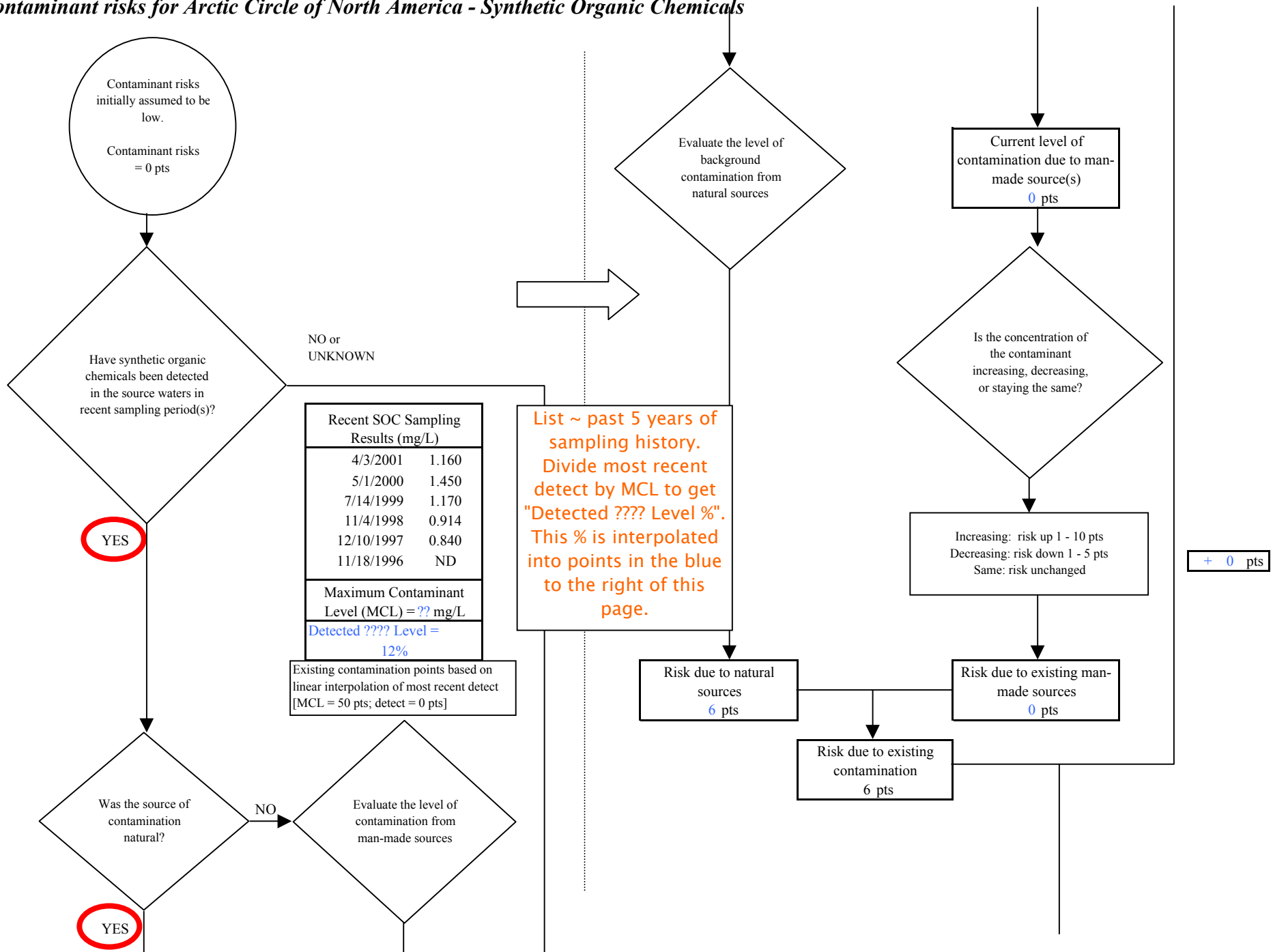
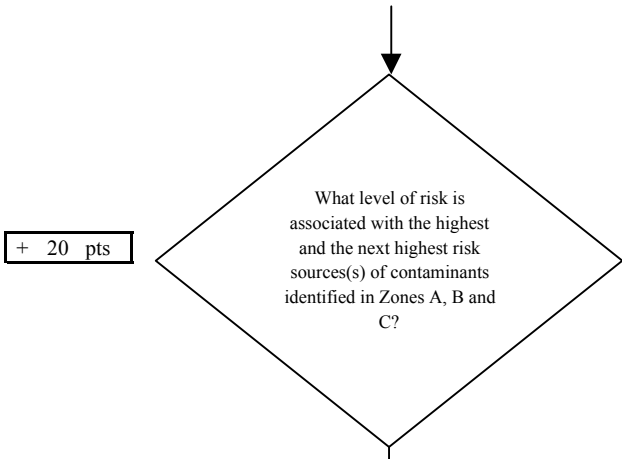


Chart 11. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Synthetic Organic Chemicals



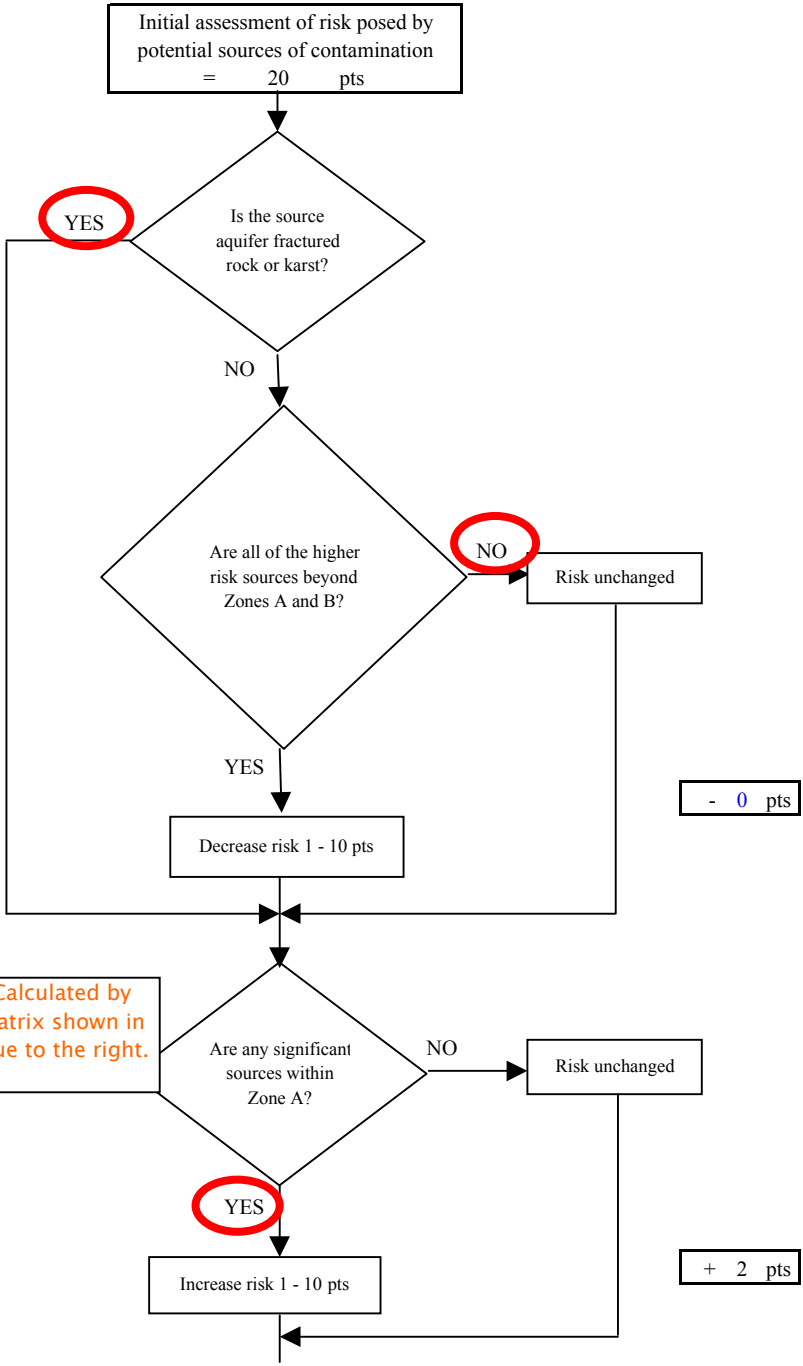
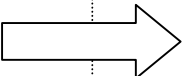
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Very Highs(s)	0	0	0
High(s)	0	0	0
Medium(s)	0	0	0
Low(s)	4	9	13

	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.

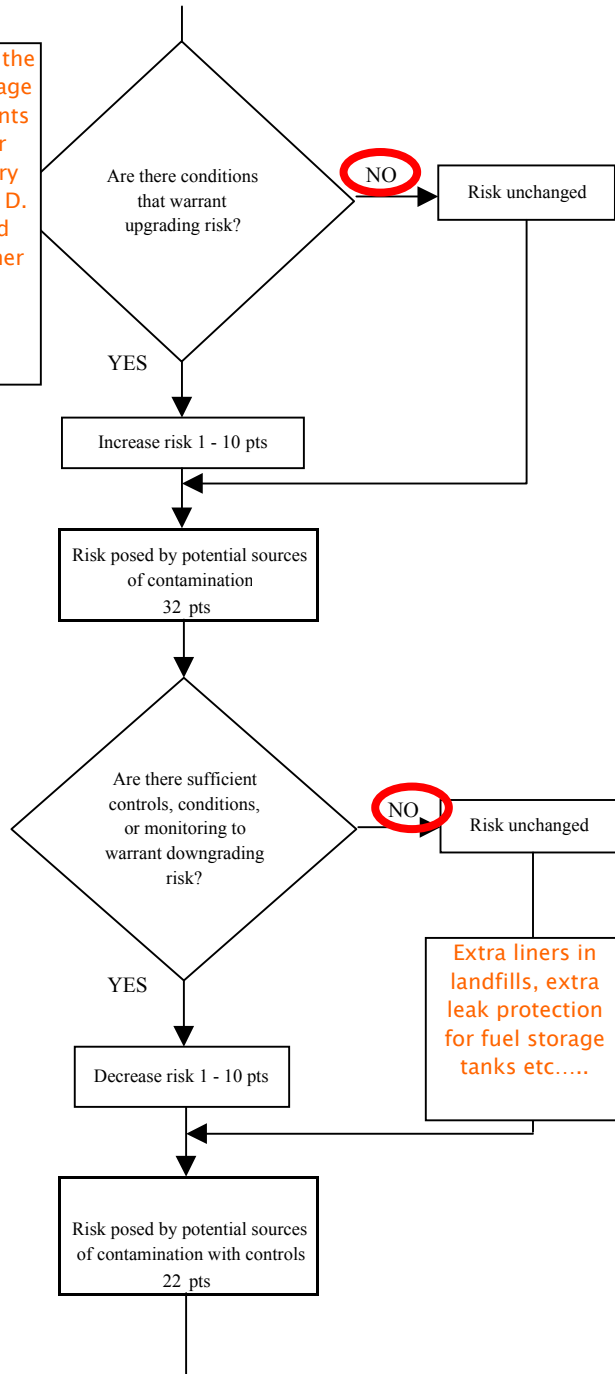
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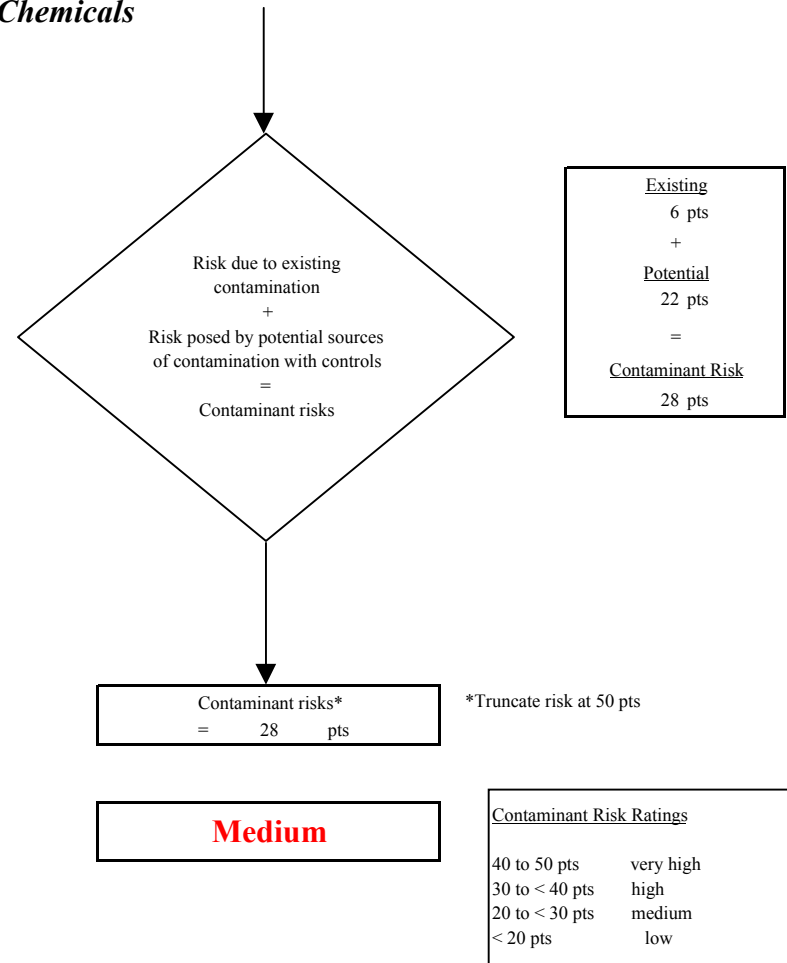
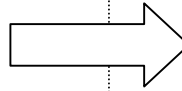
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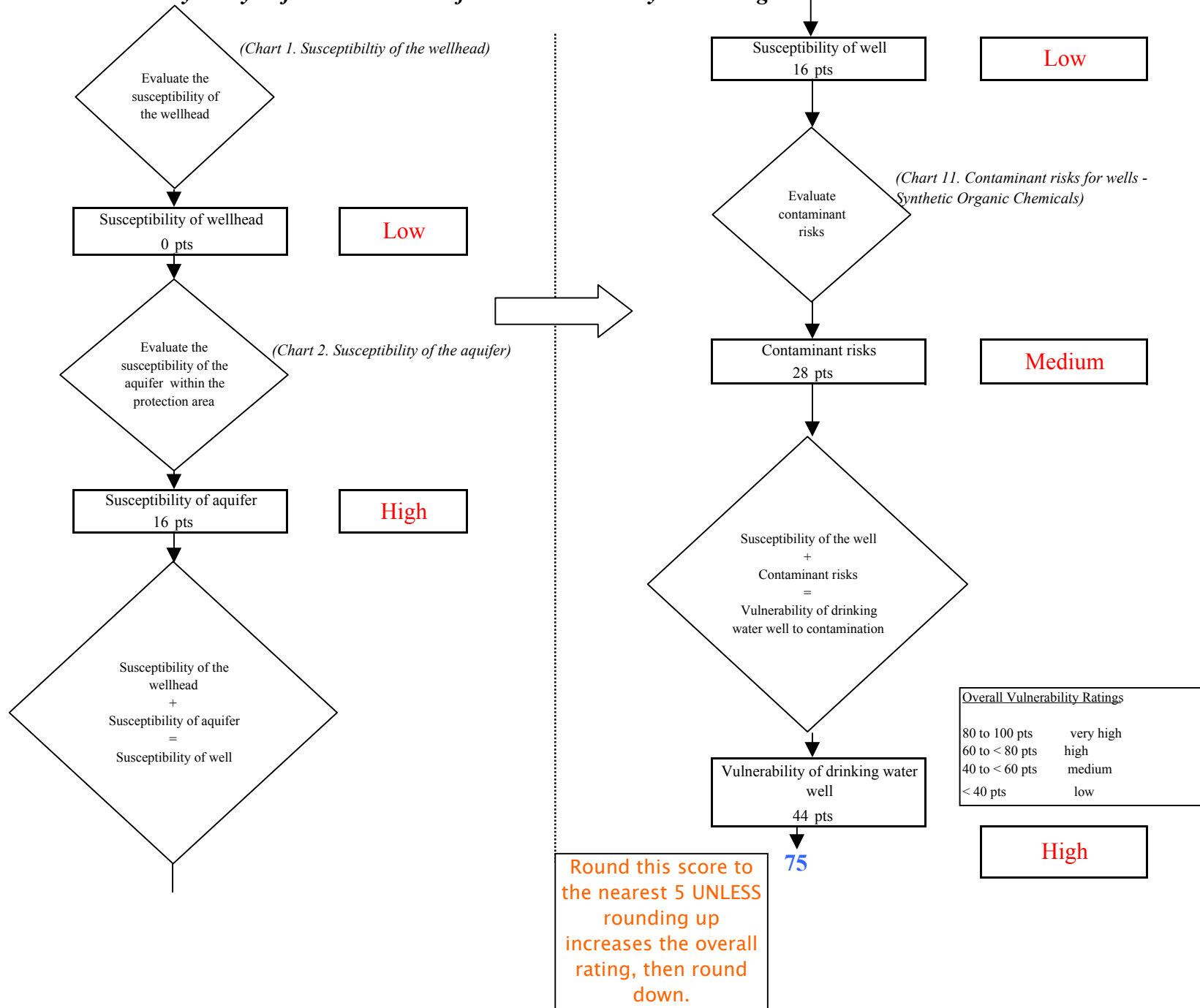
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**Chart 12. Vulnerability analysis for Arctic Circle of North America - Synthetic Organic Chemicals**



**Chart 13. Contaminant risks for Arctic Circle of North America - Other Organic Chemicals**

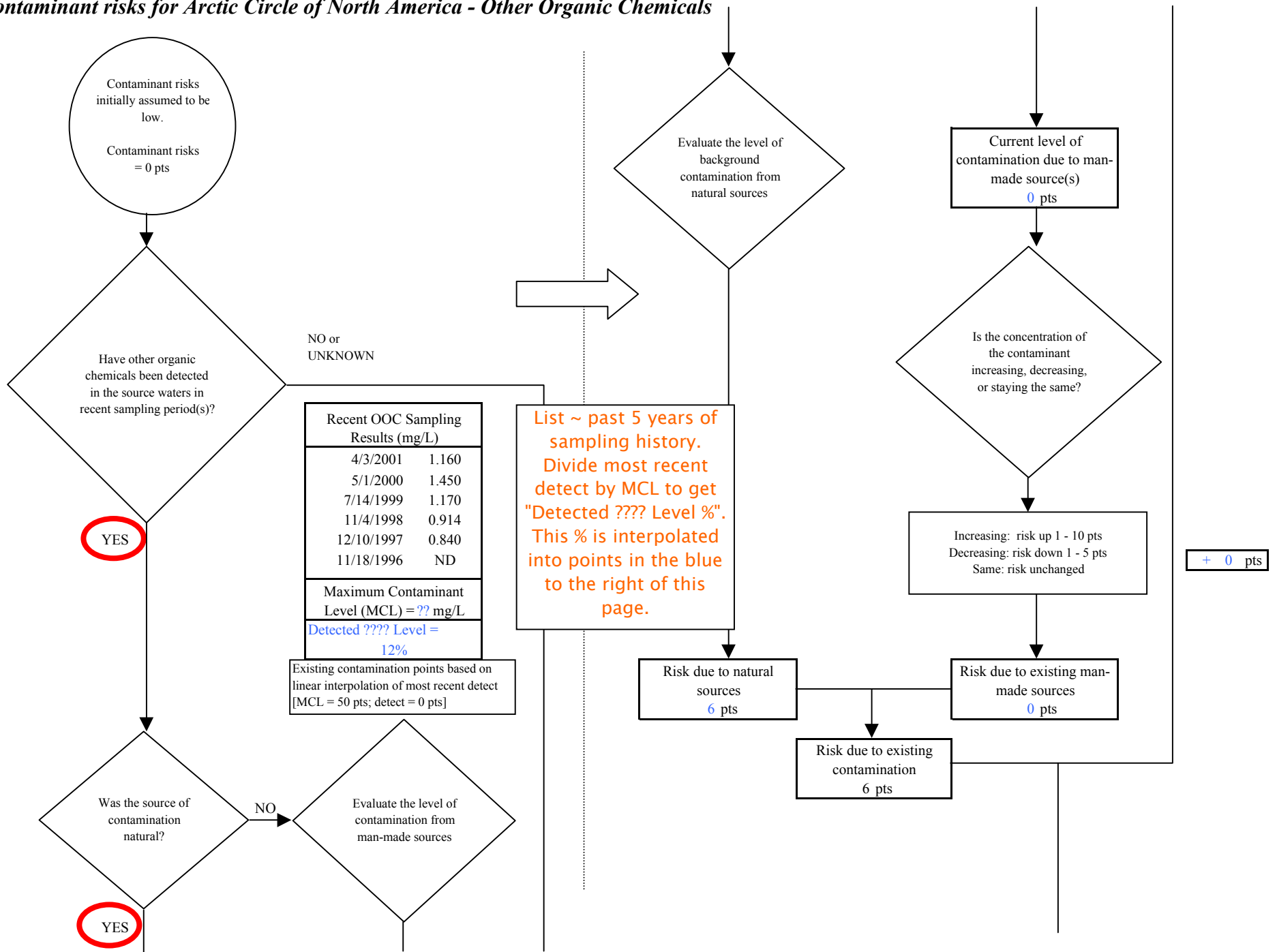
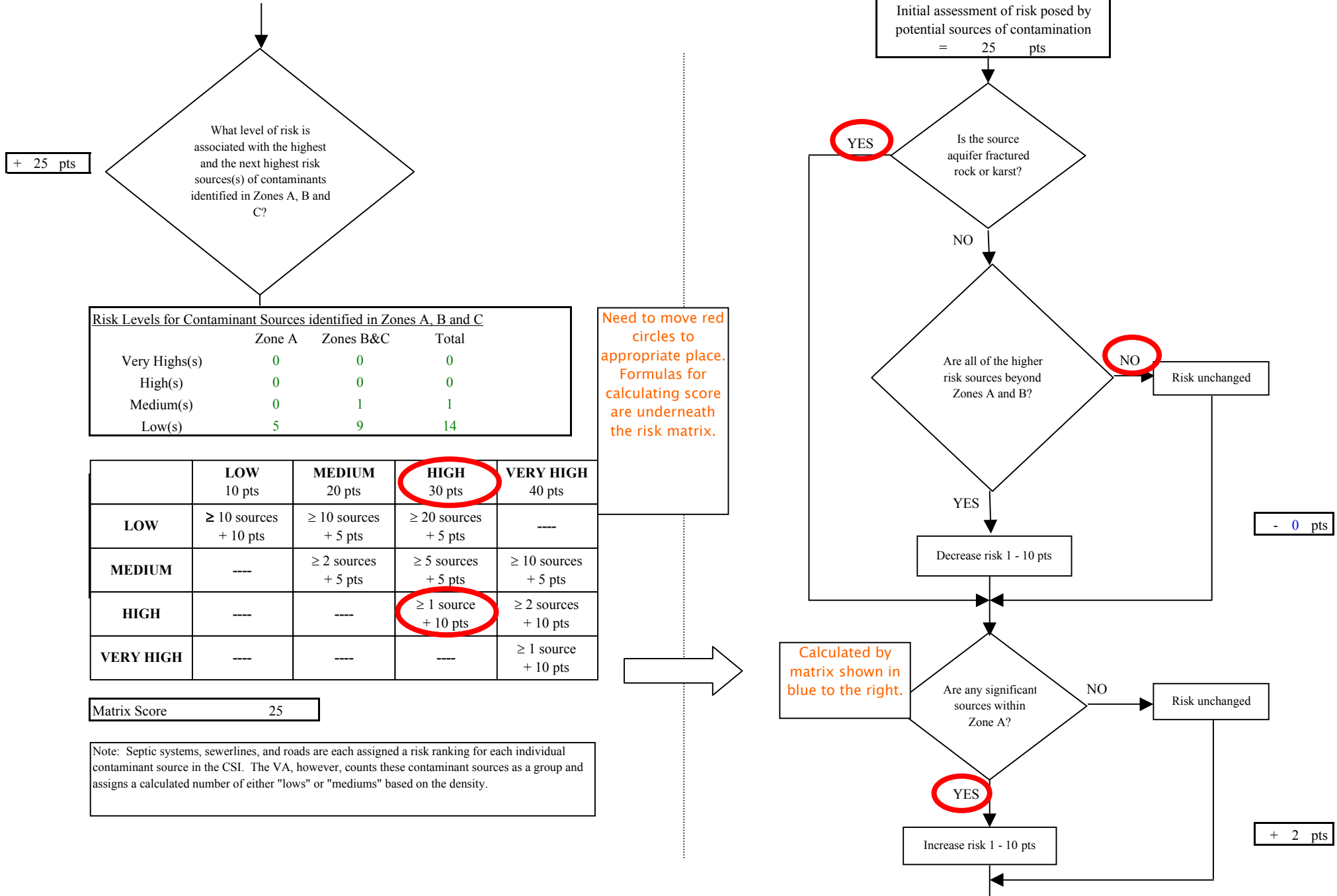


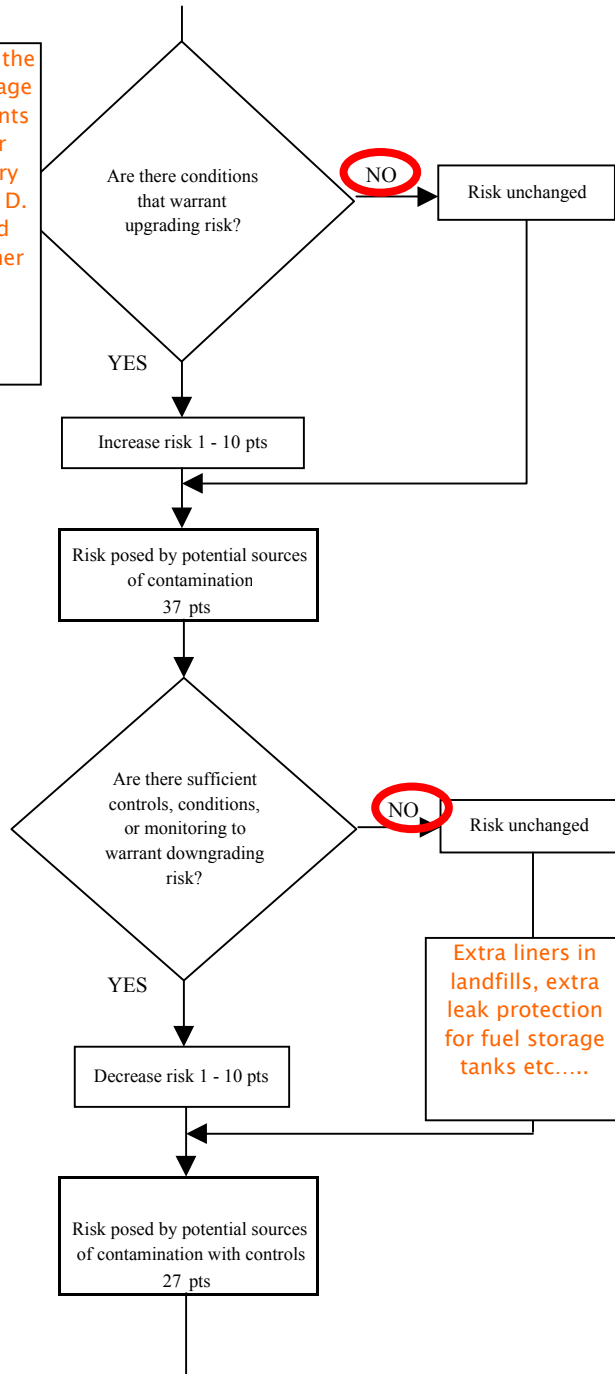
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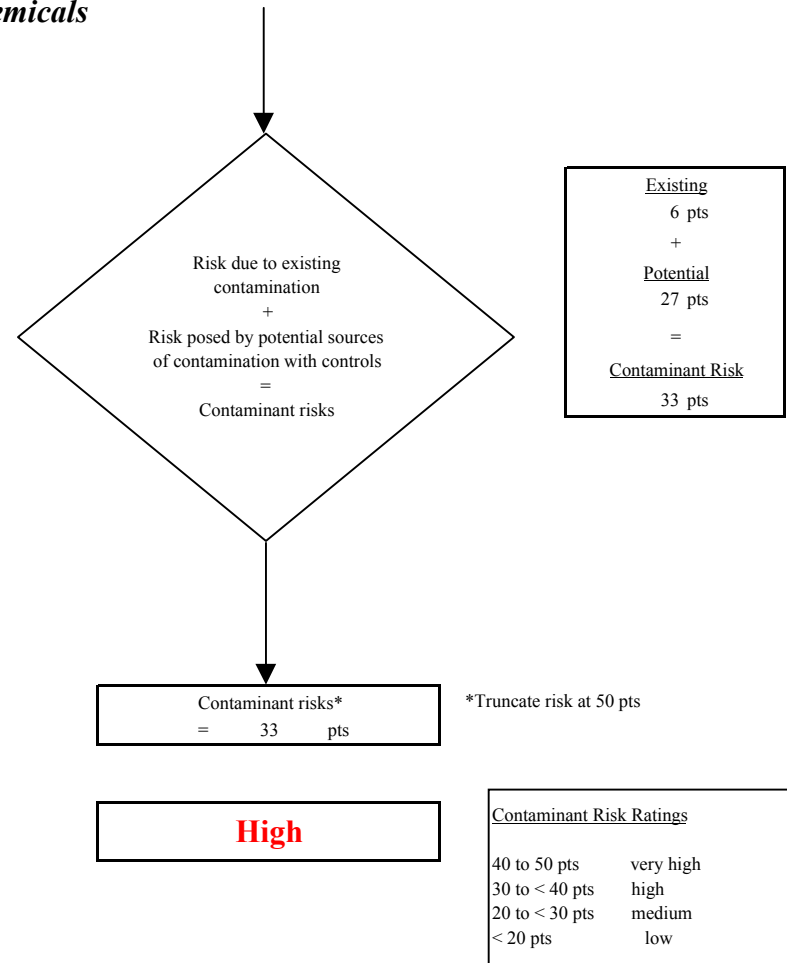
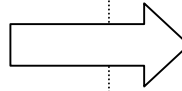
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**Chart 14. Vulnerability analysis for Arctic Circle of North America - Other Organic Chemicals**

