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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Public Water System for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church is a Class B (transient/non-community) water system consisting of one well in the Anchorage area. Identified potential and current sources of contaminants that present the most significant risk to Sunset Hill Baptist Church's drinking water source includes approximately 6 acres of residential area, sewer lines, roads, the Alaska Railroad, recreation trails, heavy equipment storage areas, construction trade areas, and a taxidermist (See Appendix B for a complete list of the contaminant source inventory). 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 public water source for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church received a vulnerability rating of **medium** for volatile organic chemicals; and **high** for and bacteria and viruses and nitrates and/or nitrites.

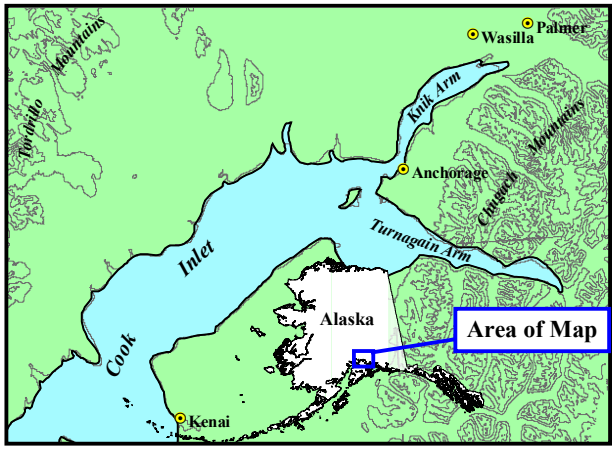

Figure 1. Index map showing the location of Anchorage, Alaska

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 the source of public drinking water serving the Sunset Hill Baptist Church. This water system consists of one well in the Anchorage area (see Figure 1). 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 ANCHORAGE AREA, ALASKA

Location

Anchorage, located in southcentral Alaska, encompasses 1,698 square miles of land and 264 square miles of water. The area containing a majority of the urban development, commonly referred to as the Anchorage Bowl, encompasses approximately 180 square miles [*Partick, Brabets, and Glass, 1989*] and envelopes the low lands of the area. This area is bounded on the east by the Chugach Mountains and the north, west, and south by the Knik and Turnagain Arms of Cook Inlet (Figure 1). In recent times, urban development has extended eastward along the flanks of the Chugach Mountains. This area, known locally as the Anchorage Hillside, contains development at elevations exceeding 3,700 feet in elevation above sea level.

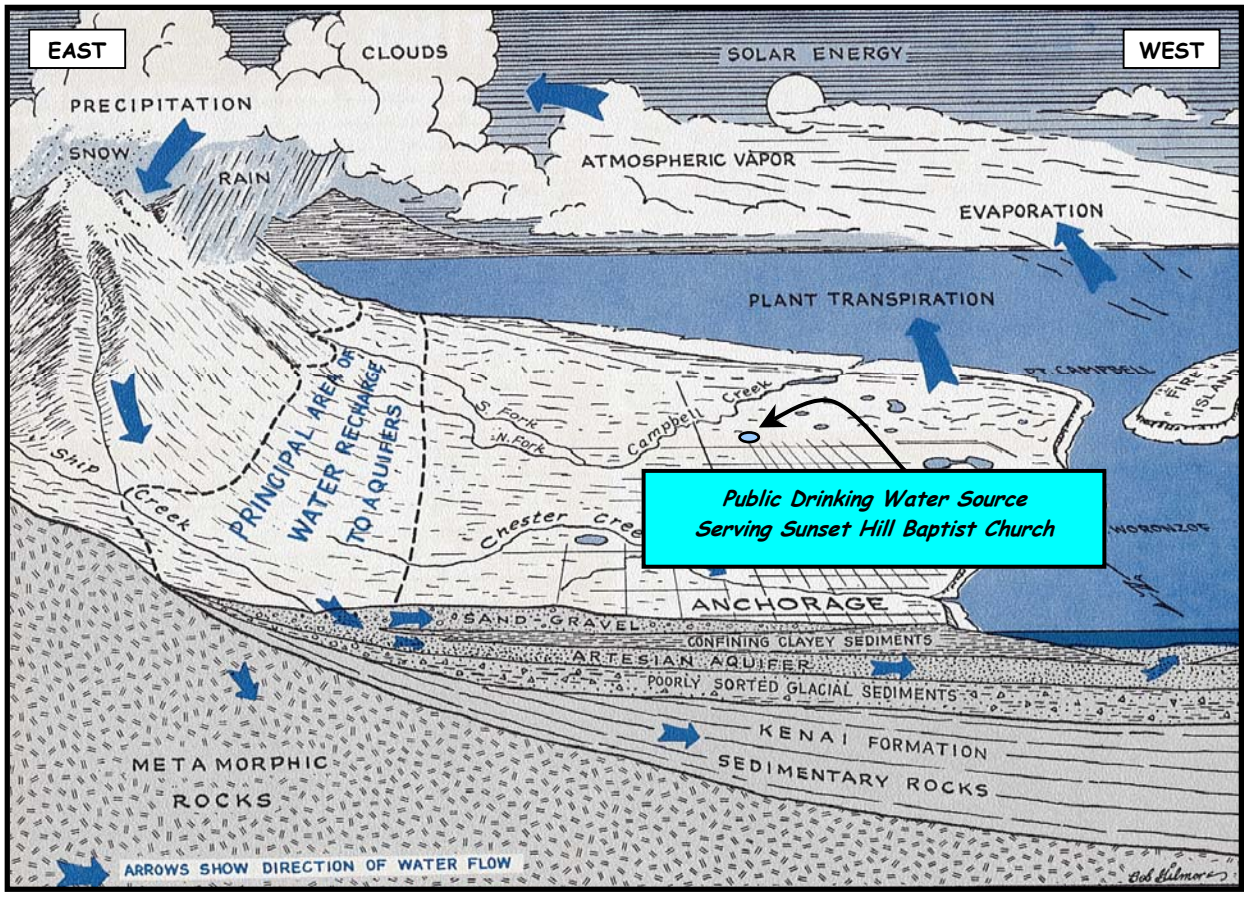

Figure 2. Generalized hydrologic cycle in the Anchorage area [*Barnwell, George, Dearborn,Weeks, and Zenone*, 1972].

Climate

The Anchorage area climate is somewhat transitional in that it does not experience large daily and annual temperature fluctuations like those experienced in the interior of Alaska nor does it experience high amounts of precipitation typified by gulf coast regions. Mean annual precipitation at the Anchorage International Airport is approximately 16 inches per year. On average, Anchorage receives a total snow accumulation of 69 inches per year. Precipitation generally increases inland toward the Chugach Mountains where annual precipitation may exceed 160 inches per year [*Barnwell, George, Dearborn, Weeks, and Zenone*, 1972]. Mean daily temperature ranges from 65^{o} F during July to 8^{o} F in January [*Western Regional Climate Center*, 2000].

Physiography and Groundwater Conditions

Surface elevations in the Anchorage area range from sea level at Knik and Turnagain Arms to well over 5,000 feet in the peaks that bound the area. Glacial moraine and outwash deposits primarily mantle the surface of the Anchorage Bowl.

The backbone of the Chugach Mountains is composed primarily of metamorphic marine and volcanic rocks (bedrock). These high peaks that bound Anchorage's east side are flanked with colluvium or slope deposits. These slope deposits eventually grade into the glacial and stream deposits at lower elevations in the Anchorage Bowl.

In the Anchorage area, two principal groundwater flow systems or aquifers exist (see Figure 2). The upper unconfined aquifer or water-table aquifer is separated from a lower confined aquifer system by layers of silty, clayey glacially derived sediments (confining layer) [*Ulery and Updike*, 1983]. The lower confined aquifer system consists of a series of hydrologically interconnected layers and lenses of gravel, sand and silt that, collectively, form the confined aquifer. The confining layer ranges from 0 to 270 feet thick throughout the Anchorage area and generally thins with increasing distance from Cook Inlet, thus pinching out at the mountain front [*Patrick, Brabets, and Glass*, 1989].

Water enters or recharges these two aquifer systems in several different ways. Along the front of the Chugach Mountains, groundwater seeps from fractures in bedrock into the sediments. At these higher elevations, rain and snowmelt also enter the sediments. This area along the mountain front is considered the principal recharge area

for wells in the Anchorage area. Precipitation in the low lands may also percolate directly into the ground. Lastly, aquifers may also be recharged by streams where surface water percolates into surrounding permeable sediments (losing reaches of streams). Groundwater flow in the confined aquifer is generally east to west from the mountain front toward Cook Inlet and Turnagain Arm, except in areas where the direction of flow is influenced by large municipal or industrial production wells. The direction of groundwater flow in the upper unconfined aquifer is more variable due to the influence from surfacial topography as well as its close connection with surface water bodies.

PUBLIC DRINKING WATER SYSTEM SERVING THE SUNSET HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

The public water system serving the Sunset Hill Baptist Church is a Class B (transient/non-community) water system. The system consists of one well, and is located off of the Old Seward Highway near the foothills of the Chugach Mountains at an elevation of approximately 200 feet above sea level (see Figure 3).

According to the most recent Sanitary Survey (08/06/97) potential sources of contamination are located a safe distance from the well site. However, at the time the survey was completed it noted that the sanitary seal on the well had a hole in which the wiring and conduit was passing through. The hole in the sanitary seal provides a direct route for contaminants to enter source waters. It was also noted that water from the surrounding area was flowing over the pit cover and pooling inside the well pit, indicating that the site is not properly drained. Adequate sloping of the ground surface aids in diverting foreign matter and surface water away from the well site so that contaminants do not enter the well along the casing. Proper sealing and grouting of the well also aid in the protection of source waters against contaminants.

This system operates year round serving 2 residents and 125 non-residents through 2 service connections.

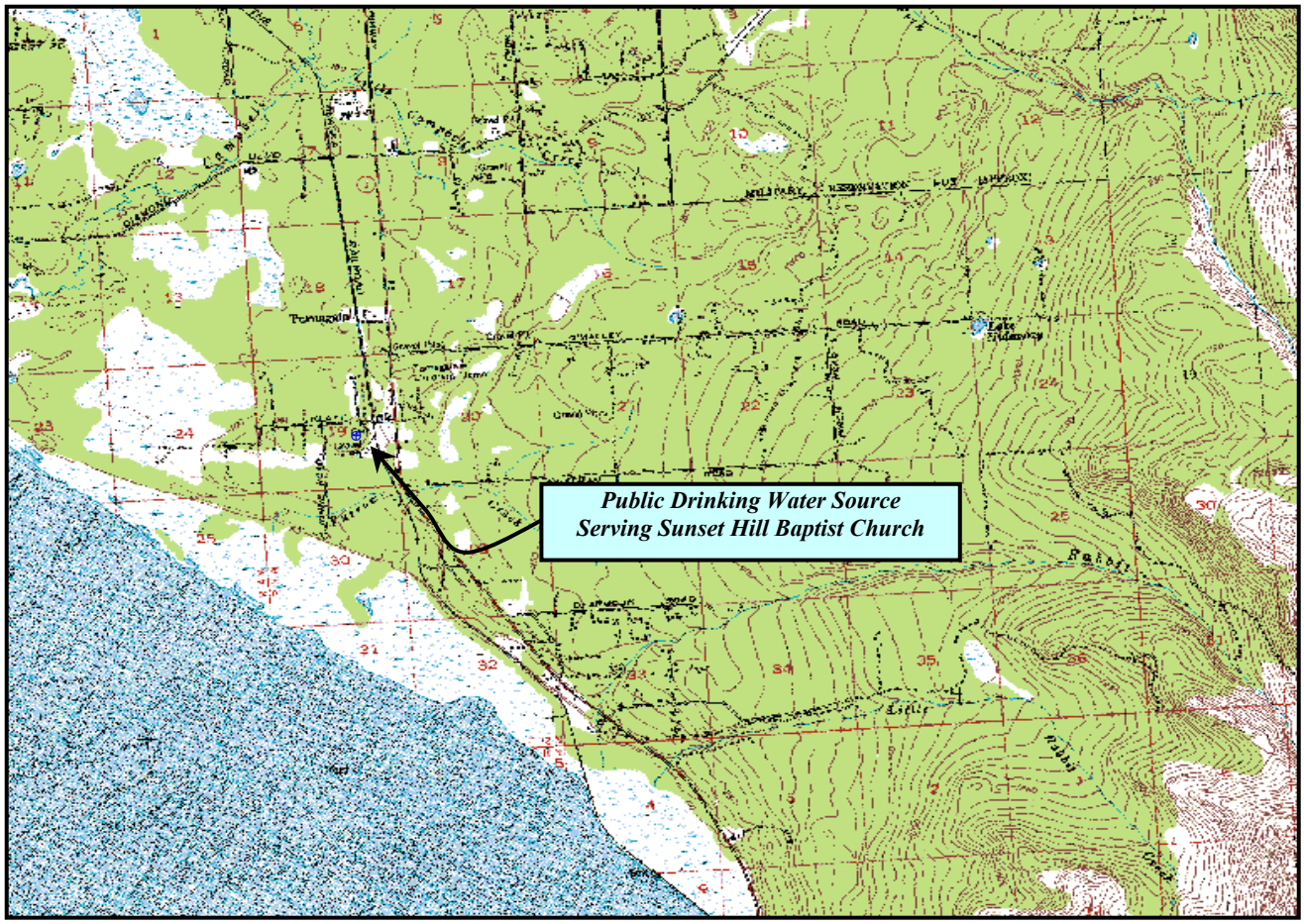

Figure 3. Map showing the location of the drinking water source for Sunset Hill Baptist Church [Base: USGS Anchorage A8].

ASSESSMENT AND PROTECTION AREA FOR THE DRINKING WATER SOURCE SERVING THE SUNSET HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

The Drinking Water Protection and Assessment Area that has been established for the source of drinking water serving the Sunset Hill Baptist Church is the area that is most sensitive to contamination. This area has served as a basis for assessing the risk of the drinking water source to contamination. The zones around the drinking water source outline the most critical area for the preservation of the quality of the drinking water for this system. For simplicity, this area will be known as your Drinking Water Protection Area and will serve as the focus for voluntary protection efforts.

Conceptually, groundwater enters the aquifer systems along the front range of the Chugach Mountains (Figure 2) and flows toward Cook Inlet. An analytical calculation was used to determine the size and shape of the area that contributes water to the well. 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*]. This analytical calculation was used as a guide as the first step in establishing the protection area for each public drinking water source in Anchorage. Additional methods were further employed to take into account any uncertainties in groundwater flow and aquifer characteristics to arrive at meaningful and conservative protection areas with respect to public health (Please refer to the Guidance Manual for Class B Public Water Systems for additional information).

The Drinking Water Protection Areas established for wells by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation are separated into zones. These zones correspond to a time-of-travel. Time-of-travel is the time required for water to move in the saturated zone of the ground from a specific point to the well. The Drinking Water Protection Area for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church contains four zones, Zone A through Zone D (See Map 1 in Appendix A). Zone A corresponds to the area between the well and the distance equal to ¼ of the distance of the 2-year time-of-travel. Depending on where a contaminant source is located within Zone A, travel time for a contaminant to the well may be on the order of several days to several hours. Zone A also extends downgradient from the well to take into account the area of the aquifer that is influenced by pumping of the well. Zone B corresponds to a time-of-travel of less than two years. Zones C and D correspond to those areas between 5 years and 10 years time-of-travel, respectively.

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 Drinking Water Protection Area for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church. This survey 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
- Volatile organic chemicals

Maps 2 and 3 in Appendix C depict the Contaminant Source Inventory for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church. Table 1 in Appendix B lists the inventoried potential sources of contamination within Zones A through D. Below is a summary of the contaminant sources inventoried within the Drinking Water Protection Area for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church:

- Approximately 6 acres of residential area;
- Sewer lines;
- roads;
- the Alaska Railroad;
- recreation trails;
- heavy equipment storage areas;
- construction trade areas;
- and a taxidermist.

These potential and existing contaminant sources present risk for all three categories of drinking water contaminants.

RANKING OF CONTAMINANT RISKS

Potential and existing sources of contamination have been 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. Contaminant risks are further a function of the number and density of those types of

contaminant sources as well as the proximity of those sources to the public drinking water well.

VULNERABILITY OF THE DRINKING WATER SOURCE SERVING THE SUNSET HILL BAPTIST CHURCH

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 have been analyzed and an overall vulnerability score of 0 to 100 ultimately assigned:

Natural Susceptibility (0 – 50 points)

+

Contaminant Risks (0 – 50 points)

=

Vulnerability of the
Drinking Water Source to Contamination (0 – 100).

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

Susceptibility of the Wellhead (0 – 25 Points)
+
Susceptibility of the Aquifer (0 – 25 Points)

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

The well log was not available for the drinking water well serving the Sunset Hill Baptist Church. Therefore, the geological information presented was gathered from well logs within ¼ mile of the well serving the Sunset Hill Baptist Church. The well was drilled to a total depth of 48 feet below ground surface and was completed in a 6 inch well casing. According to surrounding well logs the well penetrates a confined aquifer. The depth to the top of the confining layer is approximately 8 feet below ground surface and consists of a layer of hardpan and has a thickness of approximately 7 feet. This confining layer may provide a protective barrier against the movement of contaminants in the subsurface. However, near the base of the Chugach Mountains, these clay layers tend to be discontinuous and thin toward the mountains. Therefore, contaminants that enter the subsurface near the base of the mountains may enter the confined aquifer uninhibited by the absence of any protective layer.

Combining the susceptibility of the wellhead and the aquifer to contamination leads to a score (0 – 50 points) and rating of overall Susceptibility of the well to contamination (See Appendix D). Table 1 depicts the overall Susceptibility score and rating for the source of public drinking water serving the Sunset Hill Baptist Church.

Table 1. Natural Susceptibility - Susceptibility of the Wellhead and Aquifer to Contamination

	Score	Rating
Susceptibility of the Wellhead	10	Medium
Susceptibility of the Aquifer	16	High
Natural Susceptibility	26	Medium

Contaminant risks to a drinking water source depend on the type, number or density, and distribution of contaminant sources. A score (0 – 50 points) and rating of Contaminant Risks (See Appendix D) is assigned based on the findings of the Contaminant Source Inventory (See Appendix B - Table 1 – Table 7). This portion of the analysis examines any existing or historical contamination that has been detected at the drinking water source through routine sampling. It also reviews contamination that has or may have occurred but has not arrived or been detected at the well. Table 2 summarizes the Contaminant Risks for each category of drinking water contaminants.

Table 2. Contaminant Risks

Contaminant Risks	Score	Rating
Bacteria and Viruses	50	Very High
Nitrates and/or Nitrites	31	High
Volatile Organic Chemicals	45	Very High

Appendix D contains eight charts, which together form the ‘Vulnerability Analysis’ for a Class B public drinking water system. 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 Analysis for nitrates and nitrites, volatile organic chemicals, respectively. Vulnerability of the drinking water source to contamination is the combination of susceptibility of the aquifer and the well with contaminant risks. Table 3 contains the overall vulnerability scores (0 – 100) and ratings for each of the three categories of drinking water contaminants (See Appendix D). Note: scores are rounded off to the nearest five.

Table 3. Overall Vulnerability of the Public Drinking Water Source to Contamination by Category

Category	Score	Rating
Bacteria and Viruses	75	High
Nitrates and Nitrites	55	Medium
Volatile Organic Chemicals	70	High

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

The contaminant risk is very high for bacteria and viruses with residential areas and sewer lines presenting the most significant risk to the drinking water well. Review of the sampling history revealed that bateria and viruses have been detected in the drinking water. Two water samples, one from the outside spigot (July 21, 1997) and one from the drinking water fountain (July 31, 1997) contained detectable amounts of bacteria and viruses. There has not been a bacteria and viruses detection since 1997. The source of the detection remains unknown at this time. However, water caring bacteria and viruses could have entered source waters via the hole in the sanitary seal or along the well casing. Combining the contaminant risk with the natural susceptibility of the well reduced the overall vulnerability to contamiantion to low from bacteria and viruses.

Nitrates and/or nitrites are found in natural background concentration at this site, as elsewhere throughout Alaska. Nitrate concentrations in uncontaminanted groundwater are typically less than 2 milligrams per liter (mg/L) and are derived primarily from the decomposition of organic matter in soils [Wang, Strelakos, Jokela, 2000].

Sampling history for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church indicates that low concentrations of nitrates have been detected (See Chart 5 – Contaminant Risks for Nitrates and/or Nitrites in Appendix D). The contaminant risk for nitrates and/or nitrites is high with residential areas and sewer lines presenting the most significant risk to the drinking water well. Existing nitrate concentration is approximately 1% of the Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL. 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. Due to the high solubility and weak retention by soil, nitrates are very mobile, moving at approximately the same rate as water. Though existing nitrate contamination was detected at the site, concentrations remain at very safe levels with respect to human health.

The contaminant risk for volatile organic chemicals is very high with the Alaska Railroad, roads, sewer lines, and construction trade areas presenting the most significant risk to the drinking water well. Combining the contaminant risk for volatile organic chemicals with the natural susceptibility of the well reduces the overall vulnerability of the well to contamiantion to high from volatile organic chemicals.

The Alaska Railroad and roads within the protection area are significant sources of potential contamination for bacteria and viruses, nitrates and/or nitrites, and volatile organic chemicals. Due to the potential for fuel spills to occur, the Alaska Railroad ranked as a medium and major road routes were ranked as a low potential source of contamination to the drinking water source for volatile organic chemicals.

Review of the historical sampling data indicates that no volatile organic chemical contamination has been detected in the source of public drinking water serving the Sunset Hill Baptist Church.

SUMMARY

A *Source Water Assessment* has been completed for the source of public drinking water serving the Sunset Hill Baptist Church. The overall vulnerability of this source to contamination is **medium** for volatile organic chemicals; and **high** for bacteria and viruses and nitrates and/or nitrites. This assessment of contaminant risks can be used as a foundation for local voluntary protection efforts as well as a basis for the continuous efforts on the part of Sunset Hill Baptist Church to protect public health. 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 serving the Sunset Hill Baptist Church.

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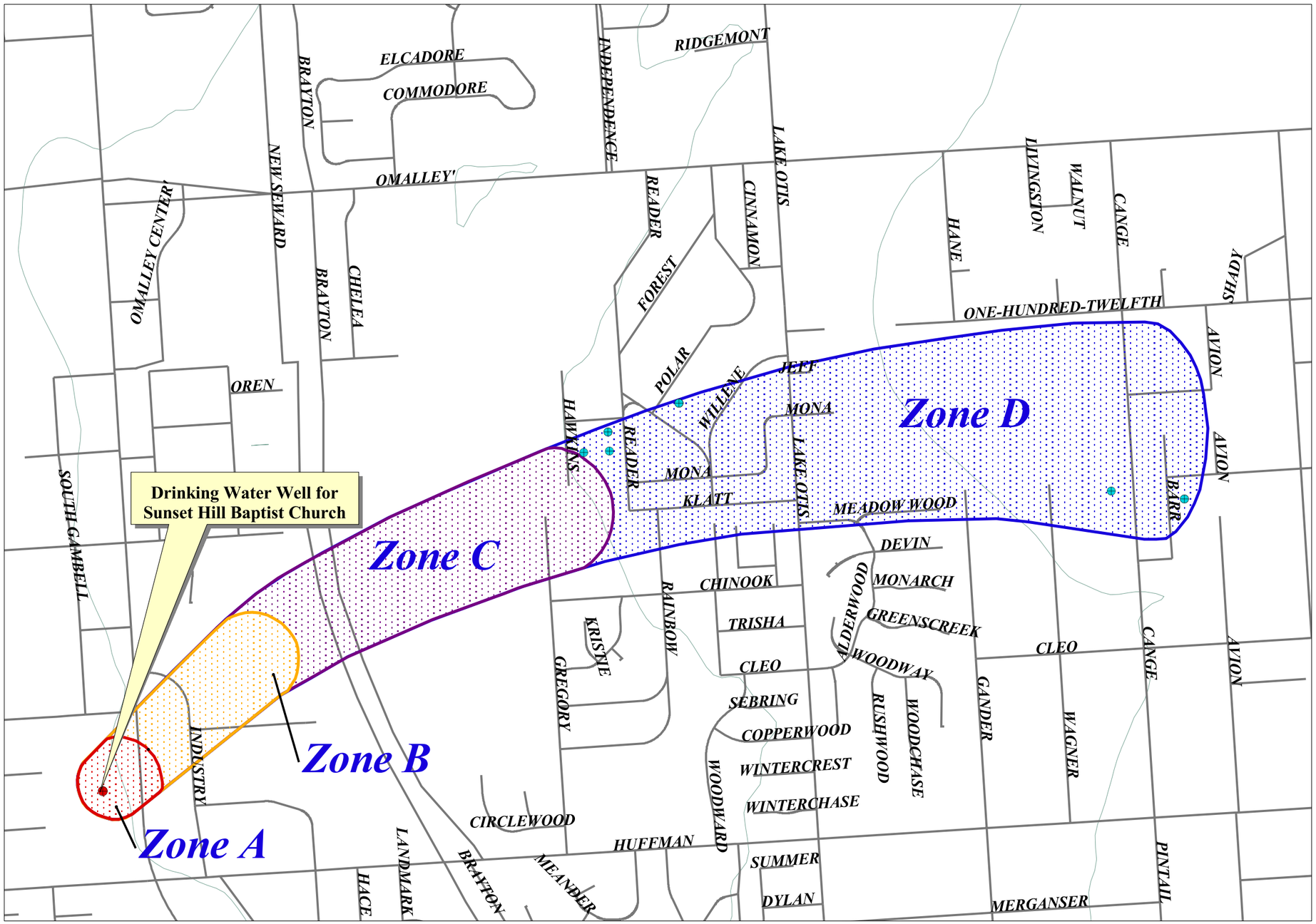
APPENDIX A

Drinking Water Protection Area for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church

Drinking Water Protection Area and
Potential & Existing Contaminant Sources for Sunset Hill Baptist Church



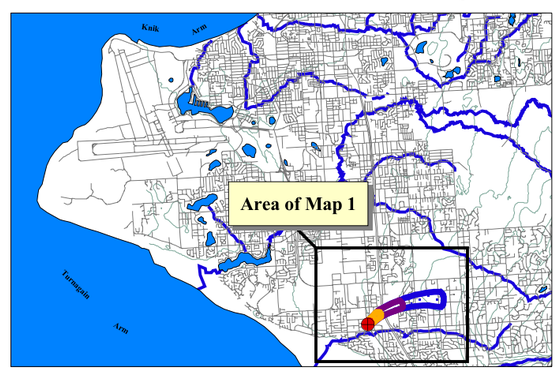
- Sunset Hill Baptist Church's Well
- Public & Private Wells

Zone A Protection Area
- Several Months Travel Time

Zone B Protection Area
- Less Than 2 Years Travel Time

Zone C Protection Area
- Less Than 5 Years Travel Time

Zone D Protection Area
- Less Than 10 Years Travel Time
- Roads (X20)
- Elevation Contours



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Map 1

APPENDIX B

Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church

Table 1

Contaminant Source Inventory for
Sunset Hill Baptist Church

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Contaminant Source Type	*Contaminant Source ID*	*CS ID tag*	*Zone*	*Location*	*Map Number*	*Comments*
Heavy equipment rental/storage	C18	C18-2	A	Off of Industry Way	3	
Photography supplies/photo processing laboratories	C36	C36-1	A	12150 Industry Way	3	
Construction trade areas and materials	C09	C9-2	A	Off of Industry Way	3	
Construction trade areas and materials	C09	C9-3	A	Off of Industry Way	3	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-1	A		2	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-2	A	Along Industry Way	2	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-3	A	Along Labar	2	
Machine and metal work shops	I23	I23-1	A	12101 Inudstry Way	3	
Residential Areas	R01	R1-1	A	Zone A	2	Approximately 1 acre
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	Old Seward	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2	A	Industry	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-3	A	Labar	2	
Rail corridors	X30	X30-1	A		3	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-1	A	Along Old Seward	3	
Heavy equipment rental/storage	C18	C18-1	B	Off of Industry Way	3	
Taxidermists	C41	C41-1	B	222260 Inudstry Way	3	
Construction trade areas and materials	C09	C9-1	B	Off of Industry Way	3	
Motor vehicle/general storage yards/facilities	X27	X27-1	B	222260 Inudstry Way	3	
Medical/veterinary facilities (doctor or dentist offices, hospitals, nursing homes)	X40	X40-1	B	12000 Industry Way	3	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-2	B		3	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-4-5	C	Sewer lines within Zone C	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R1-2	C	Zone C	2	Approximately 5 acres

Contaminant Source Type	*Contaminant Source ID*	*CS ID tag*	*Zone*	*Location*	*Map Number*	*Comments*
Septic systems (serves one or more single-family homes)	R02	R2-1	C	Zone C	4	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-4-7	C	Roads within Zone C	2	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-3	C		4	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-4	C		4	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-5	C		4	

Table 2

Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for Sunset Hill Baptist Church Sources of Bacteria and Viruses

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Contaminant Source Type	*Contaminant Source ID*	*CS ID tag*	*Zone*	*Risk Ranking for Analysis*	*Overall Rank after Analysis*	*Location*	*Map Number*	*Comments*
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-1	A	Medium	1		2	
Residential Areas	R01	R1-1	A	Low	2	Zone A	2	Approximately 1 acre
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-2	A	Medium	3	Along Industry Way	2	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-3	A	Medium	4	Along Labar	2	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-1	A	Low	5	Along Old Seward	3	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-2	B	Low	6		3	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	Low	7	Old Seward	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2	A	Low	8	Industry	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-3	A	Low	9	Labar	2	
Medical/veterinary facilities (doctor or dentist offices, hospitals, nursing homes)	X40	X40-1	B	Medium		12000 Industry Way	3	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-4-5	C	Medium		Sewer lines within Zone C	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R1-2	C	Low		Zone C	2	Approximately 5 acres
Septic systems (serves one or more single-family homes)	R02	R2-1	C	Low		Zone C	4	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-4-7	C	Low		Roads within Zone C	2	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-3	C	Low			4	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-4	C	Low			4	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-5	C	Low			4	

Table 3

Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for Sunset Hill Baptist Church Sources of Nitrates/Nitrites

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Contaminant Source Type	*Contaminant Source ID*	*CS ID tag*	*Zone*	*Risk Ranking for Analysis*	*Overall Rank after Analysis*	*Location*	*Map Number*	*Comments*
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-1	A	Medium	1		2	
Residential Areas	R01	R1-1	A	Low	2	Zone A	2	Approximately 1 acre
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-2	A	Medium	3	Along Industry Way	2	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-3	A	Medium	4	Along Labar	2	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-1	A	Low	5	Along Old Seward	3	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-2	B	Low	6		3	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	Low	7	Old Seward	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2	A	Low	8	Industry	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-3	A	Low	9	Labar	2	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-4-5	C	Medium		Sewer lines within Zone C	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R1-2	C	Low		Zone C	2	Approximately 5 acres
Septic systems (serves one or more single-family homes)	R02	R2-1	C	Low		Zone C	4	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-4-7	C	Low		Roads within Zone C	2	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-3	C	Low			4	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-4	C	Low			4	
Dog walking areas/foot trails	X46	X46-5	C	Low			4	

Table 4

Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for Sunset Hill Baptist Church Sources of Volatile Organic Chemicals

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Contaminant Source Type	*Contaminant Source ID*	*CS ID tag*	*Zone*	*Risk Ranking for Analysis*	*Overall Rank after Analysis*	*Location*	*Map Number*	*Comments*
Rail corridors	X30	X30-1	A	Medium	1		3	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-1	A	Low	2		2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-1	A	Low	3	Old Seward	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-2	A	Low	4	Industry	2	
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-3	A	Low	5	Labar	2	
Construction trade areas and materials	C09	C9-1	B	Low	6	Off of Industry Way	3	
Construction trade areas and materials	C09	C9-2	A	Low	7	Off of Industry Way	3	
Heavy equipment rental/storage	C18	C18-1	B	Medium	8	Off of Industry Way	3	
Heavy equipment rental/storage	C18	C18-2	A	Medium	9	Off of Industry Way	3	
Taxidermists	C41	C41-1	B	Medium	10	222260 Inudstry Way	3	
Photography supplies/photo processing laboratories	C36	C36-1	A	Medium		12150 Industry Way	3	
Construction trade areas and materials	C09	C9-3	A	Low		Off of Industry Way	3	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-2	A	Low		Along Industry Way	2	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-3	A	Low		Along Labar	2	
Machine and metal work shops	I23	I23-1	A	High		12101 Inudstry Way	3	
Residential Areas	R01	R1-1	A	Low		Zone A	2	Approximately 1 acre
Motor vehicle/general storage yards/facilities	X27	X27-1	B	Low		222260 Inudstry Way	3	
Medical/veterinary facilities (doctor or dentist offices, hospitals, nursing homes)	X40	X40-1	B	Low		12000 Industry Way	3	
Domestic wastewater collection systems (sewer lines or lift stations)	D01	D1-4-5	C	Low		Sewer lines within Zone C	2	
Residential Areas	R01	R1-2	C	Low		Zone C	2	Approximately 5 acres
Septic systems (serves one or more single-family homes)	R02	R2-1	C	Low		Zone C	4	

Contaminant Source Inventory and Risk Ranking for Sunset Hill Baptist Church Sources of Volatile Organic Chemicals

Contaminant Source Type	*Contaminant Source ID*	*CS ID tag*	*Zone*	*Risk Ranking for Analysis*	*Overall Rank after Analysis*	*Location*	*Map Number*	*Comments*
Highways and roads, paved (cement or asphalt)	X20	X20-4-7	C	Low		Roads within Zone C	2	

APPENDIX C

Drinking Water Protection Area and Potential & Existing Contaminant Sources for the Sunset Hill Baptist Church

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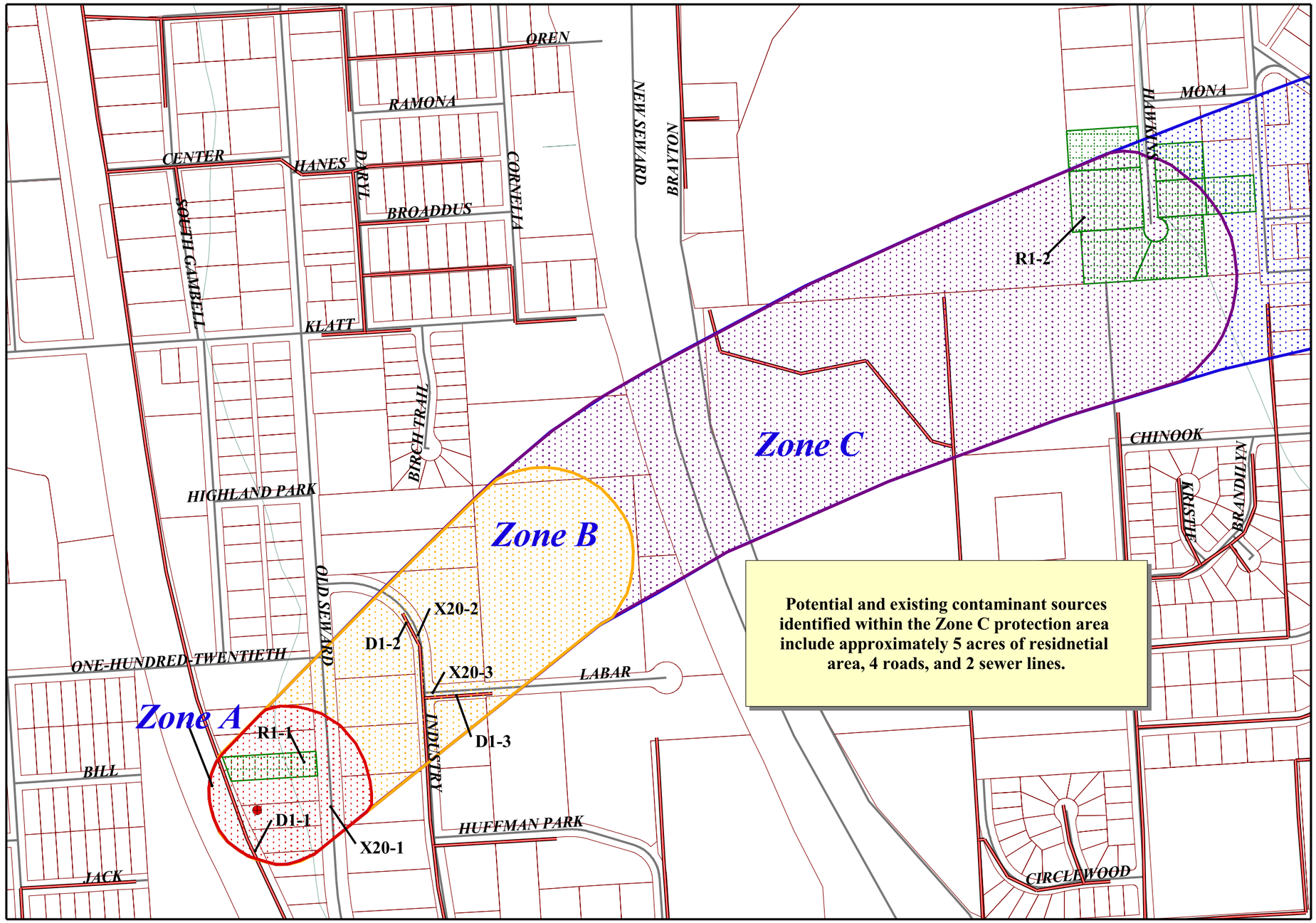
Potential & Existing Contaminant Sources for Sunset Hill Baptist Church



Potential and existing contaminant sources identified within the Zone C protection area include approximately 5 acres of residnetial area, 4 roads, and 2 sewer lines.

- Sunset Hill Baptist Church's Well

Zone A Protection Area
- Several Months Travel Time

Zone B Protection Area
- Less Than 2 Years Travel Time

Zone C Protection Area
- Less Than 5 Years Travel Time

Zone D Protection Area
- Less Than 10 Years Travel Time
- Residential Areas (R1)
- Sewer Lines (D1)
- Roads (X20)
- Land Parcels
- Elevation Contours

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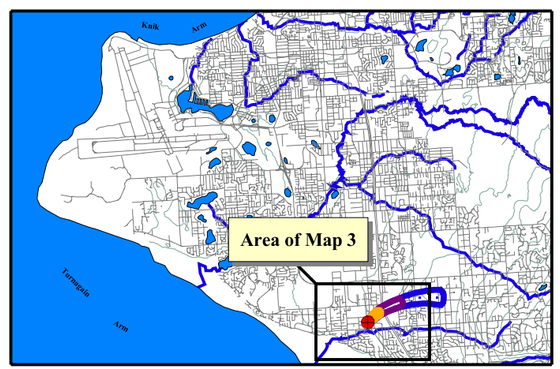

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Drinking Water Protection Area and
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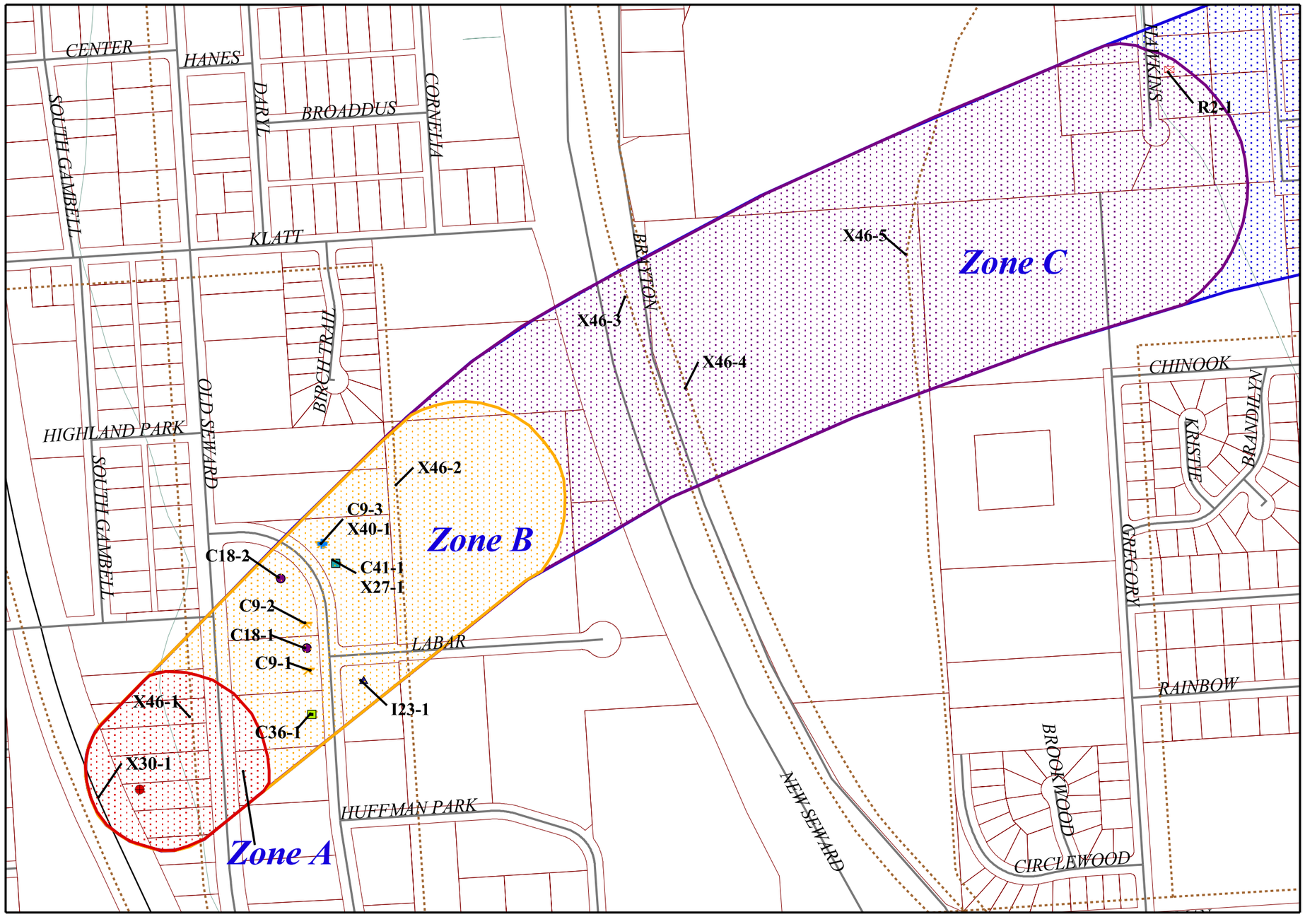

- Sunset Hill Baptist Church's Well

Zone A Protection Area
- Several Months Travel Time

Zone B Protection Area
- Less Than 2 Years Travel Time

Zone C Protection Area
- Less Than 5 Years Travel Time

Zone D Protection Area
- Less Than 10 Years Travel Time

Potential & Existing Contaminant Sources
- Heavy Equipment Rental/Storage (C18)
- Photography Supplies (C36)
- Taxidermists (C41)
- Construction Trade Areas (C9)
- Machine & Metal Work Shops (I23)
- Motor Vehicle General Storage Yard (X27)
- Medical/Veterinary Facilities (X40)
- Residential Septic Systems (R2)
- Recreation Trails
- Roads (X20)
- Alaska Railroad (X30)
- Land Parcels
- Elevation Contours

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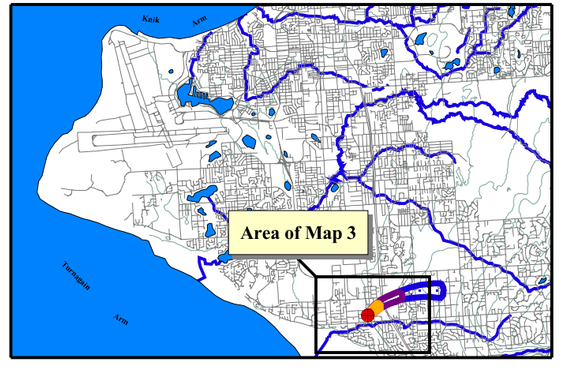

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APPENDIX D

Vulnerability Analysis

Chart 1. Susceptibility of the wellhead - Sunset Hill Baptist Church

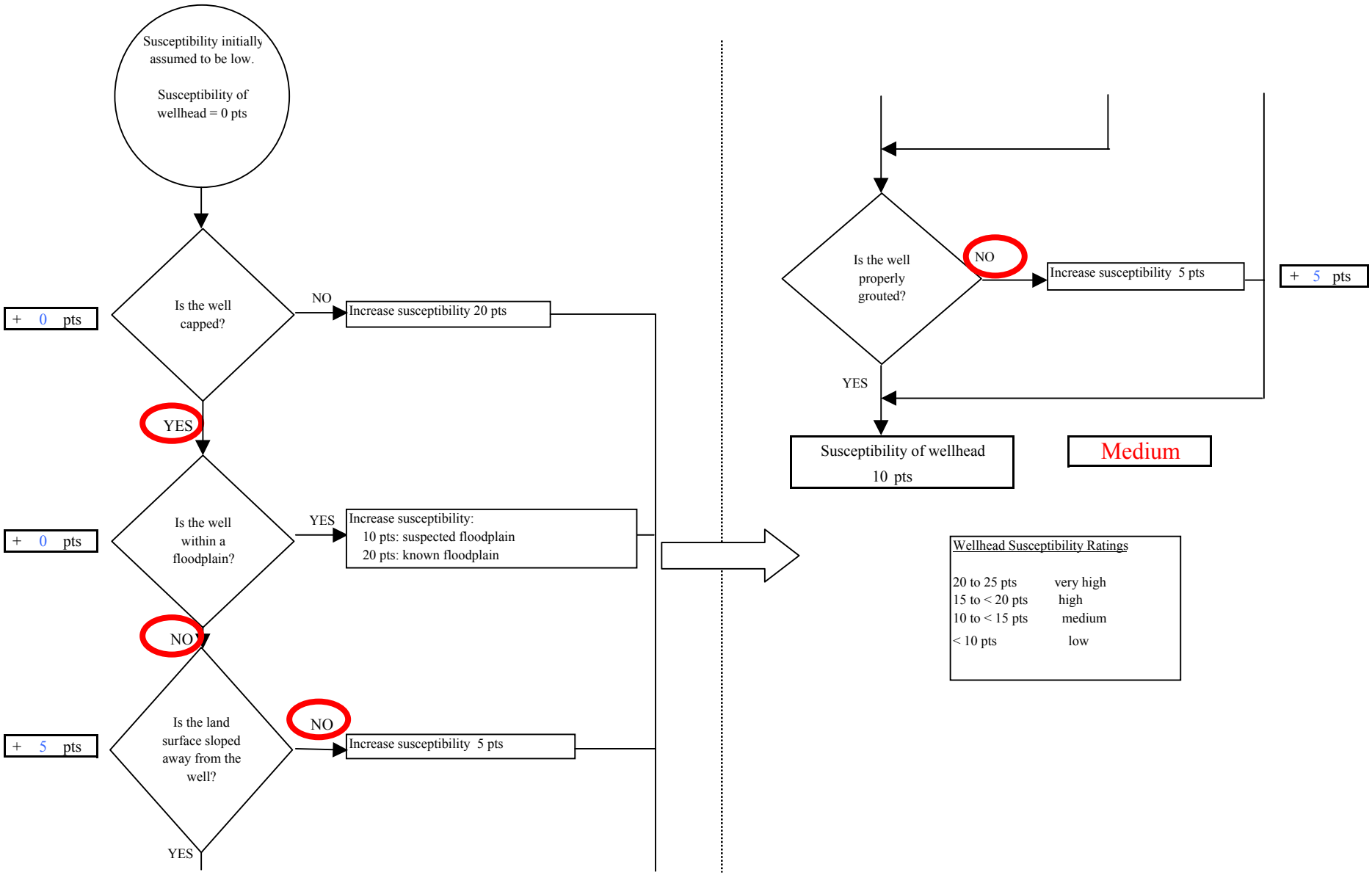


Chart 2. Susceptibility of the aquifer - Sunset Hill Baptist Church

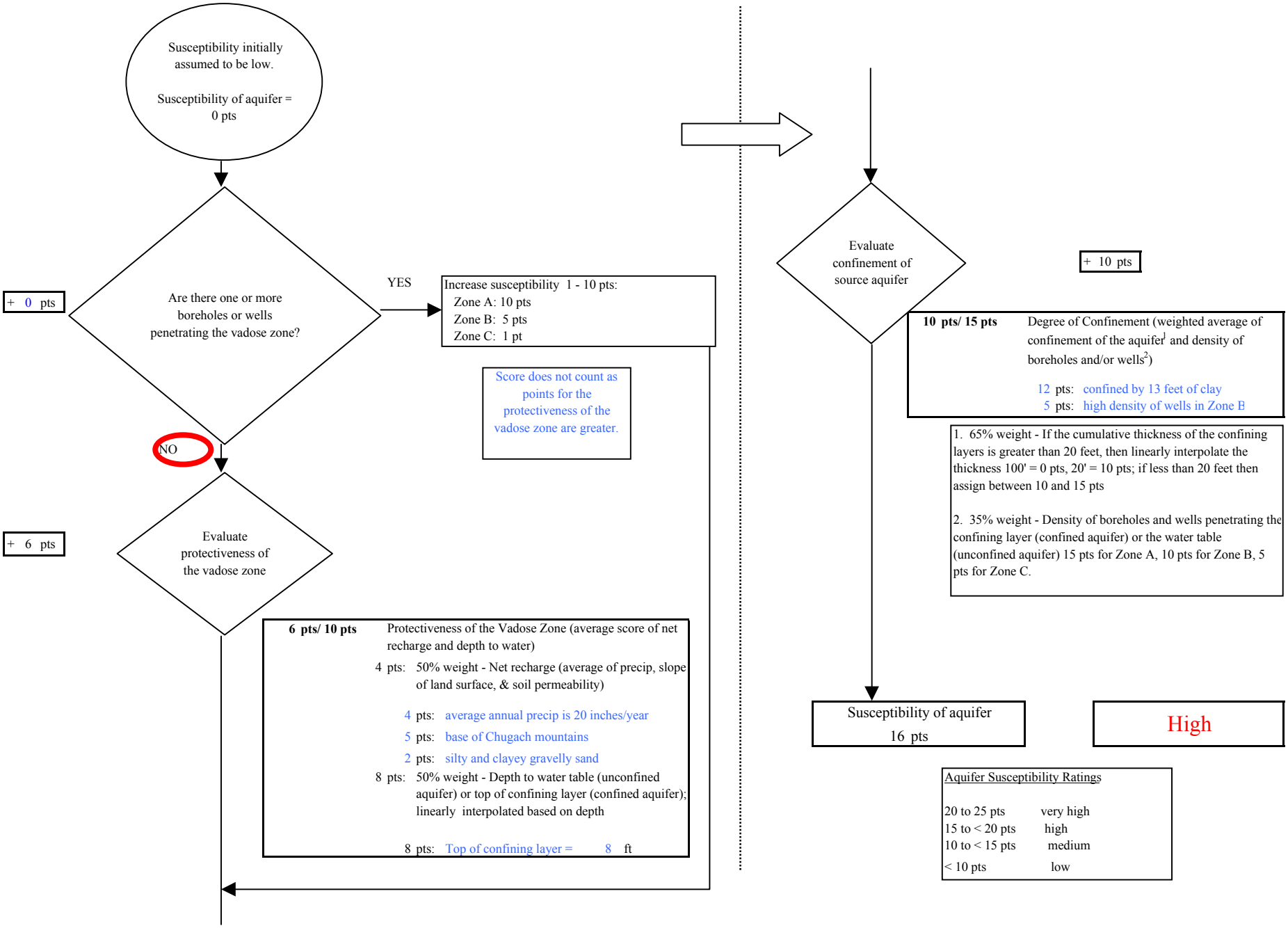
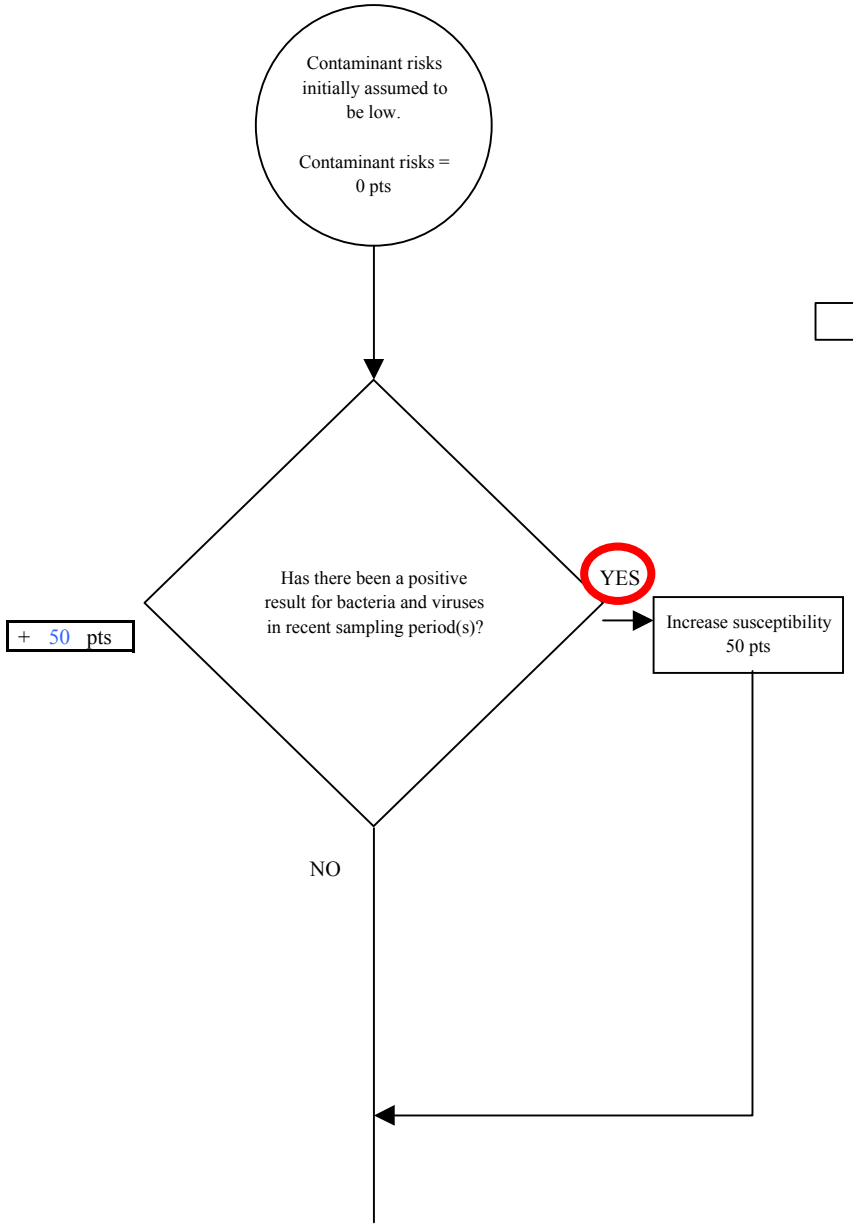
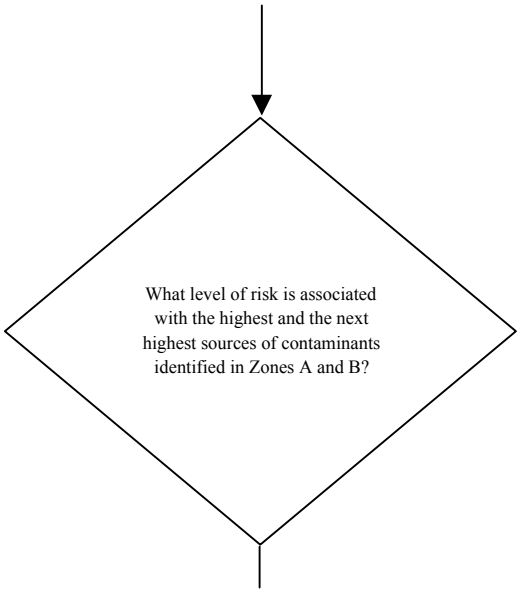


Chart 3. Contaminant risks for Sunset Hill Baptist Church - Bacteria & Viruses





+ 20 pts

Risk Rankings for Contaminant Sources Identified in Zones A and B

	Zone A	Zone B	Total
Very Highs(s)	0	0	0
High(s)	0	0	0
Medium(s)	1	1	2
Low(s)	3	1	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.

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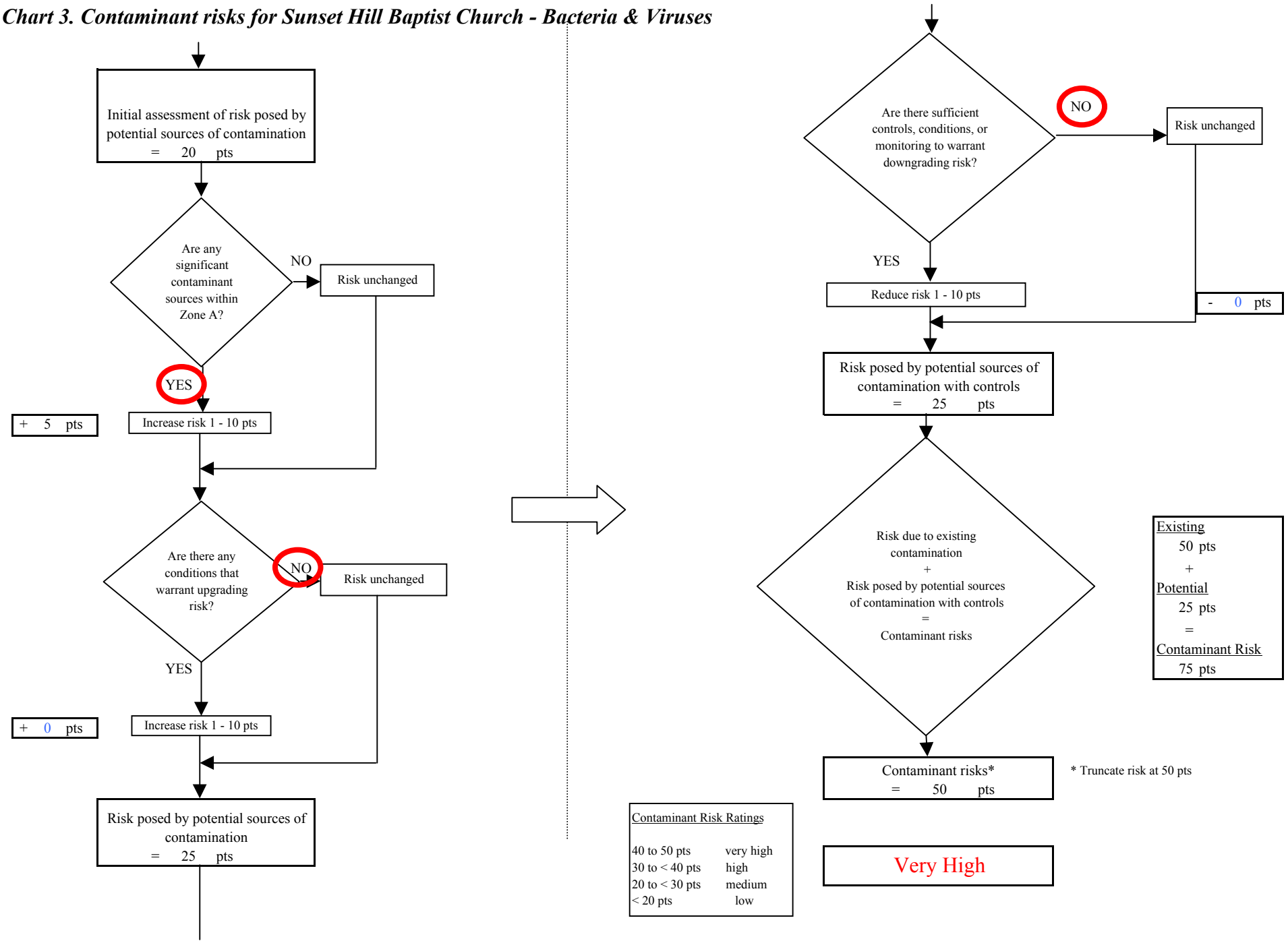


Chart 4. Vulnerability analysis for Sunset Hill Baptist Church - Bacteria & Viruses

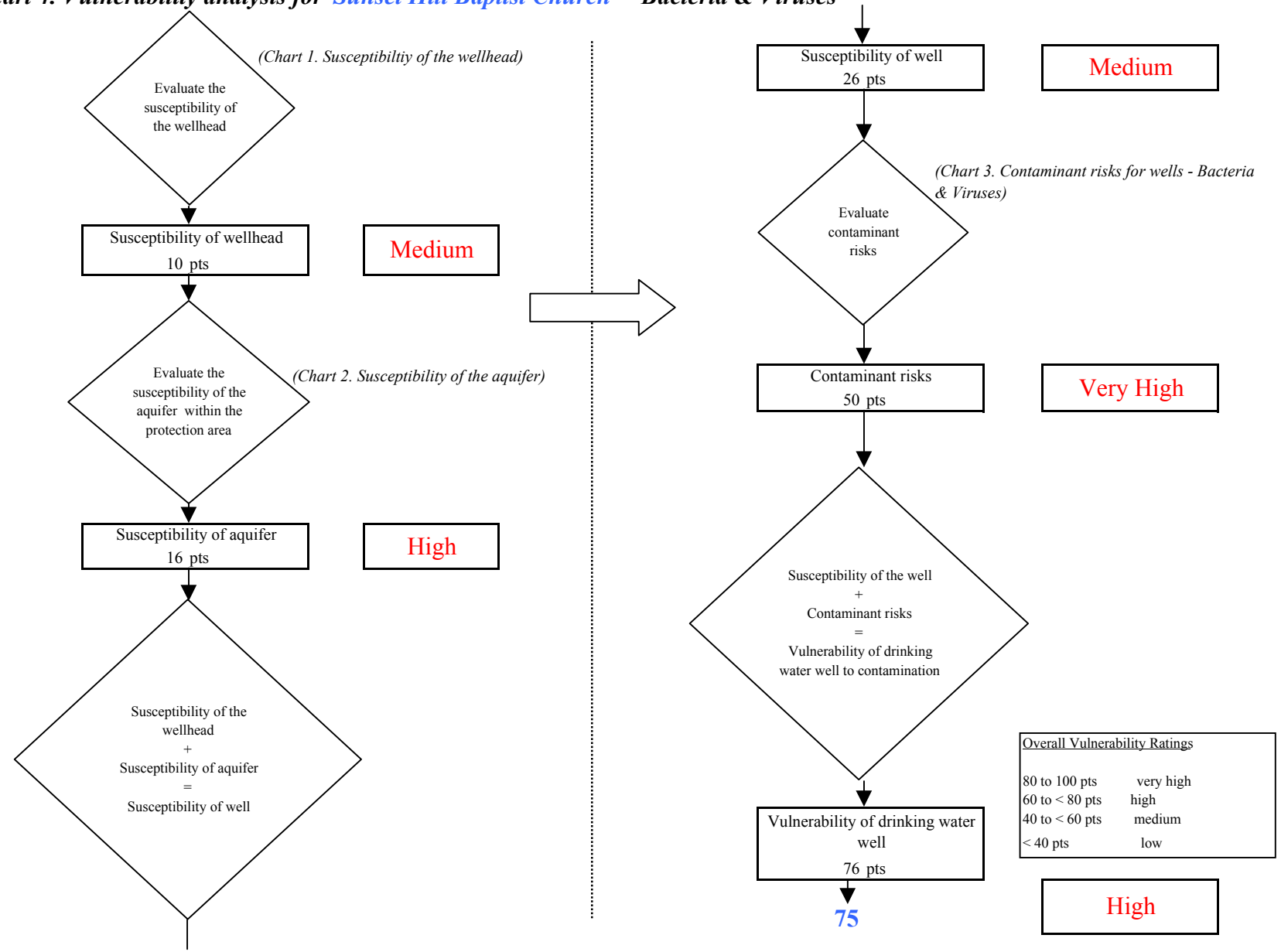


Chart 5. Contaminant risks for Sunset Hill Baptist Church - Nitrates and Nitrites

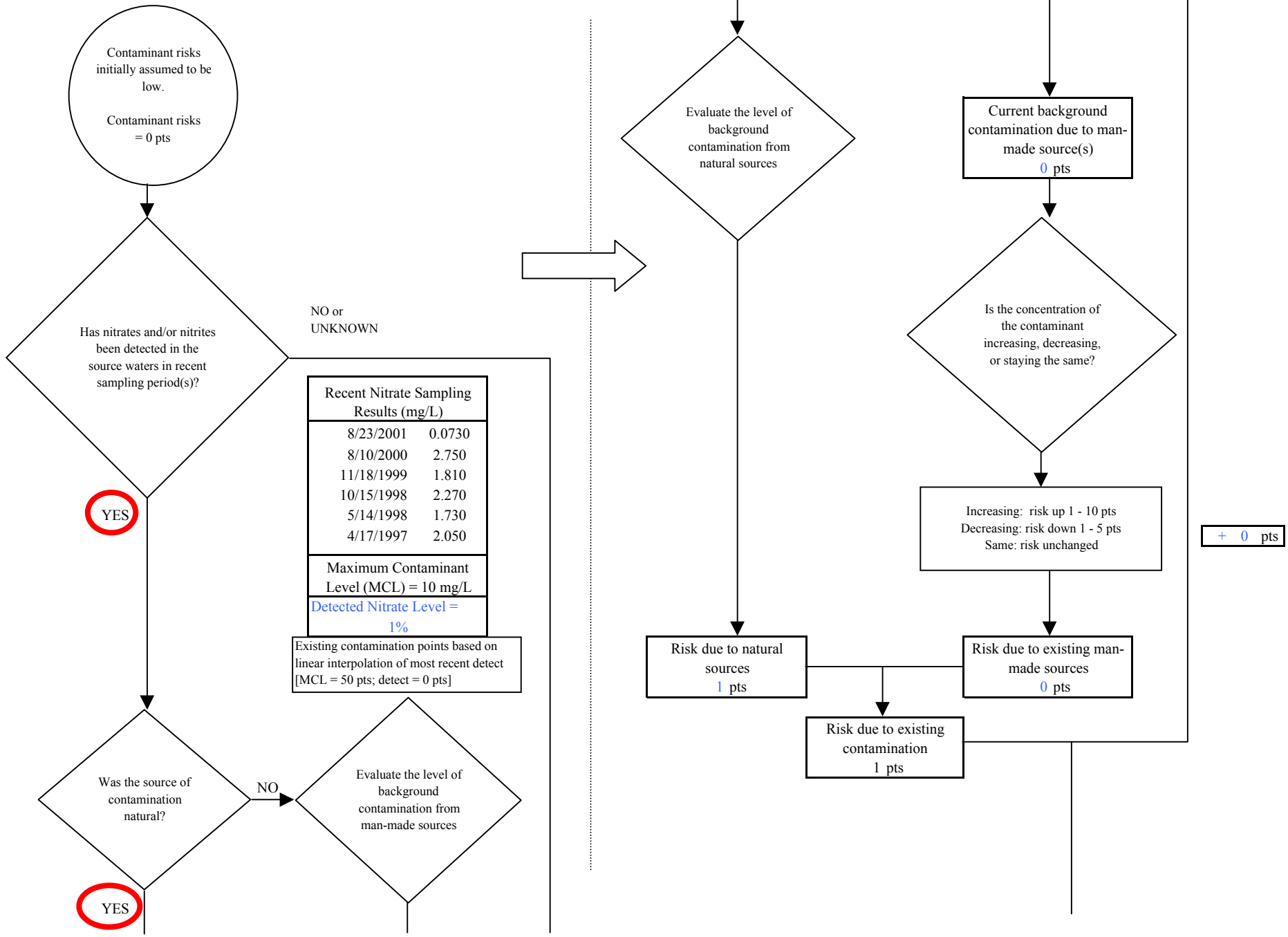


Chart 5. Contaminant risks for Sunset Hill Baptist Church - Nitrates and Nitrites

+ 25 pts

What level of risk is associated with the highest and the next highest risk sources(s) of contaminants identified in Zones A, B and C?

Risk Levels for Contaminant Sources identified in Zones A, B and C

	Zone A	Zones B&C	Total
Very Highs(s)	0	0	0
High(s)	0	0	0
Medium(s)	1	0	1
Low(s)	3	8	11

	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 25

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.

Initial assessment of risk posed by potential sources of contamination = 25 pts

Is the source aquifer fractured rock or karst?

YES

NO

Are all of the higher risk sources beyond Zones A and B?

NO

Risk unchanged

YES

Decrease risk 1 - 10 pts

- 0 pts

Are any significant sources within Zone A?

NO

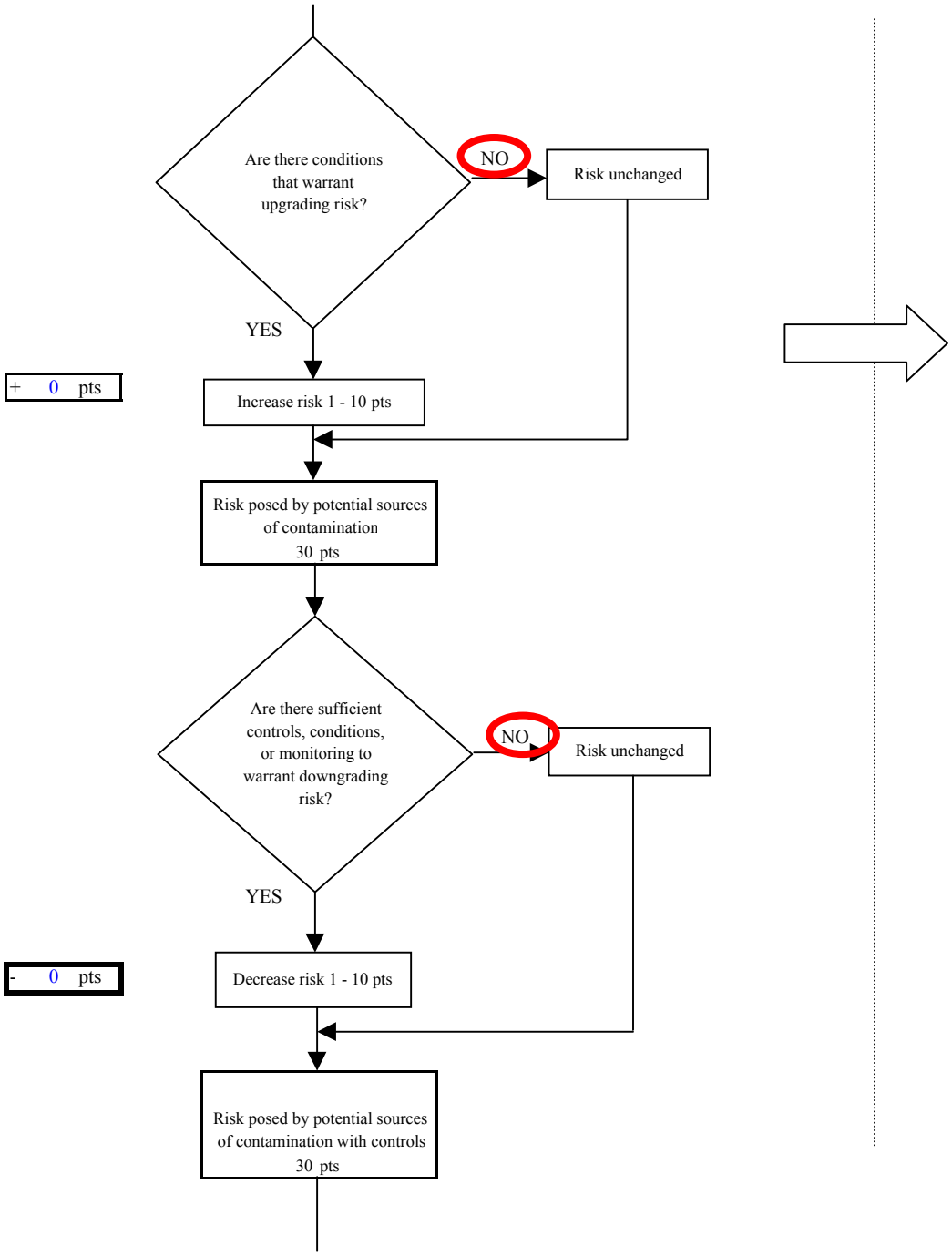
Risk unchanged

YES

Increase risk 1 - 10 pts

+ 5 pts

Chart 5. Contaminant risks for Sunset Hill Baptist Church - Nitrates and Nitrites



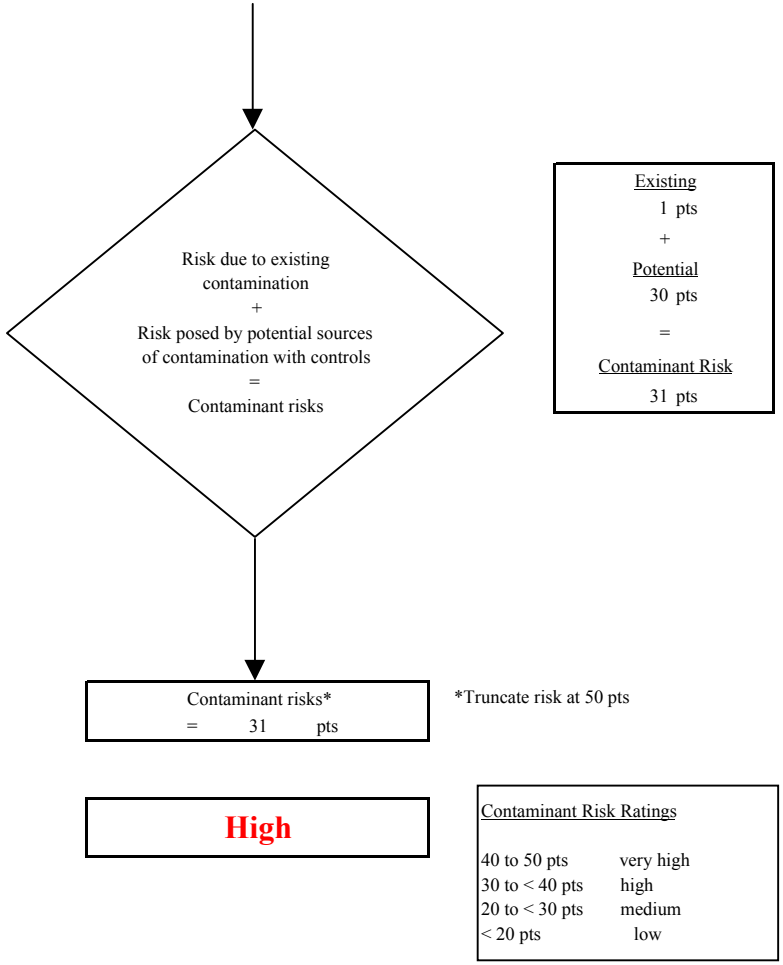


Chart 6. Vulnerability analysis for Sunset Hill Baptist Church - Nitrates and Nitrites

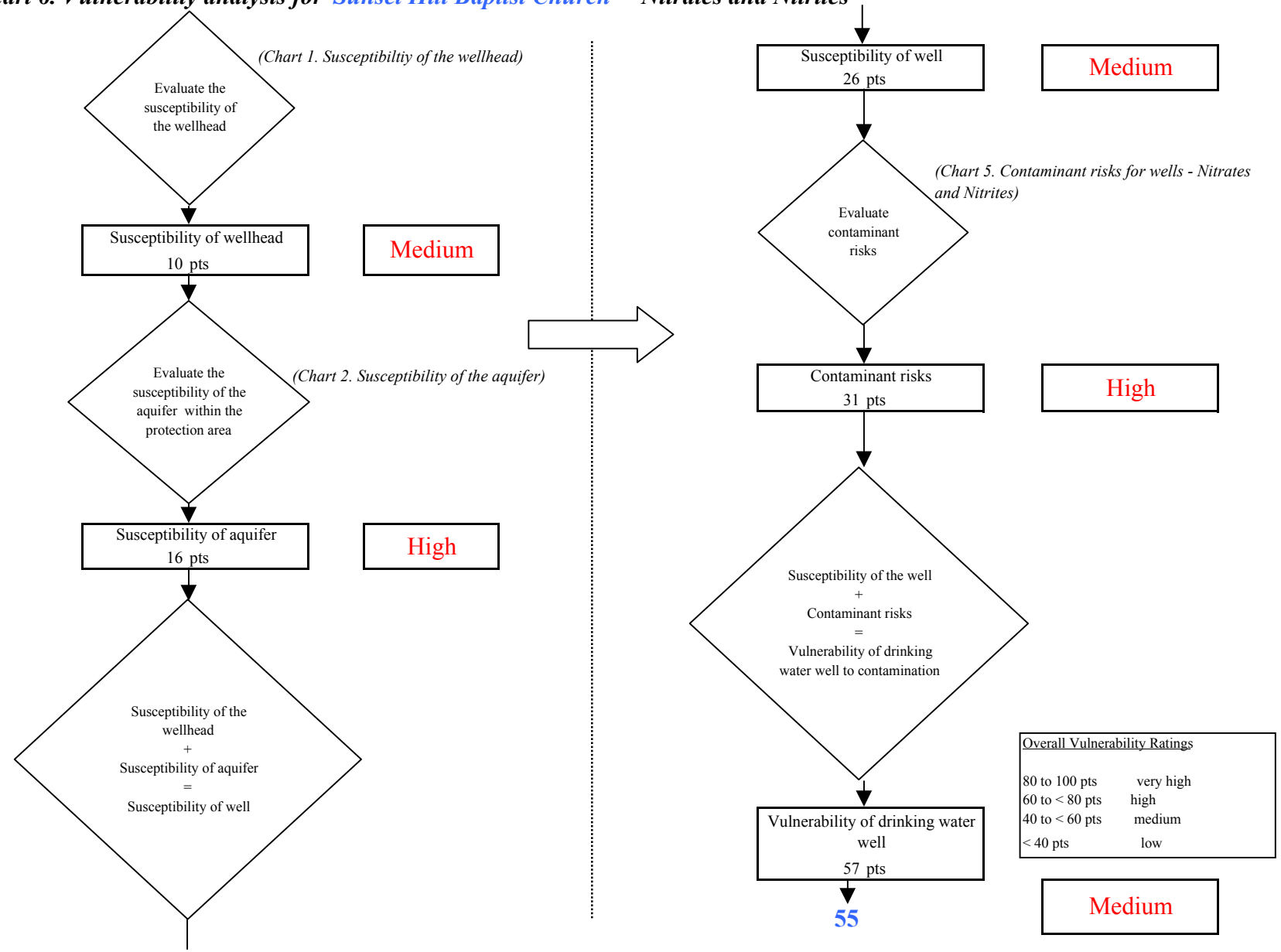


Chart 7. Contaminant risks for Sunset Hill Baptist Church - Volatile Organic Chemicals

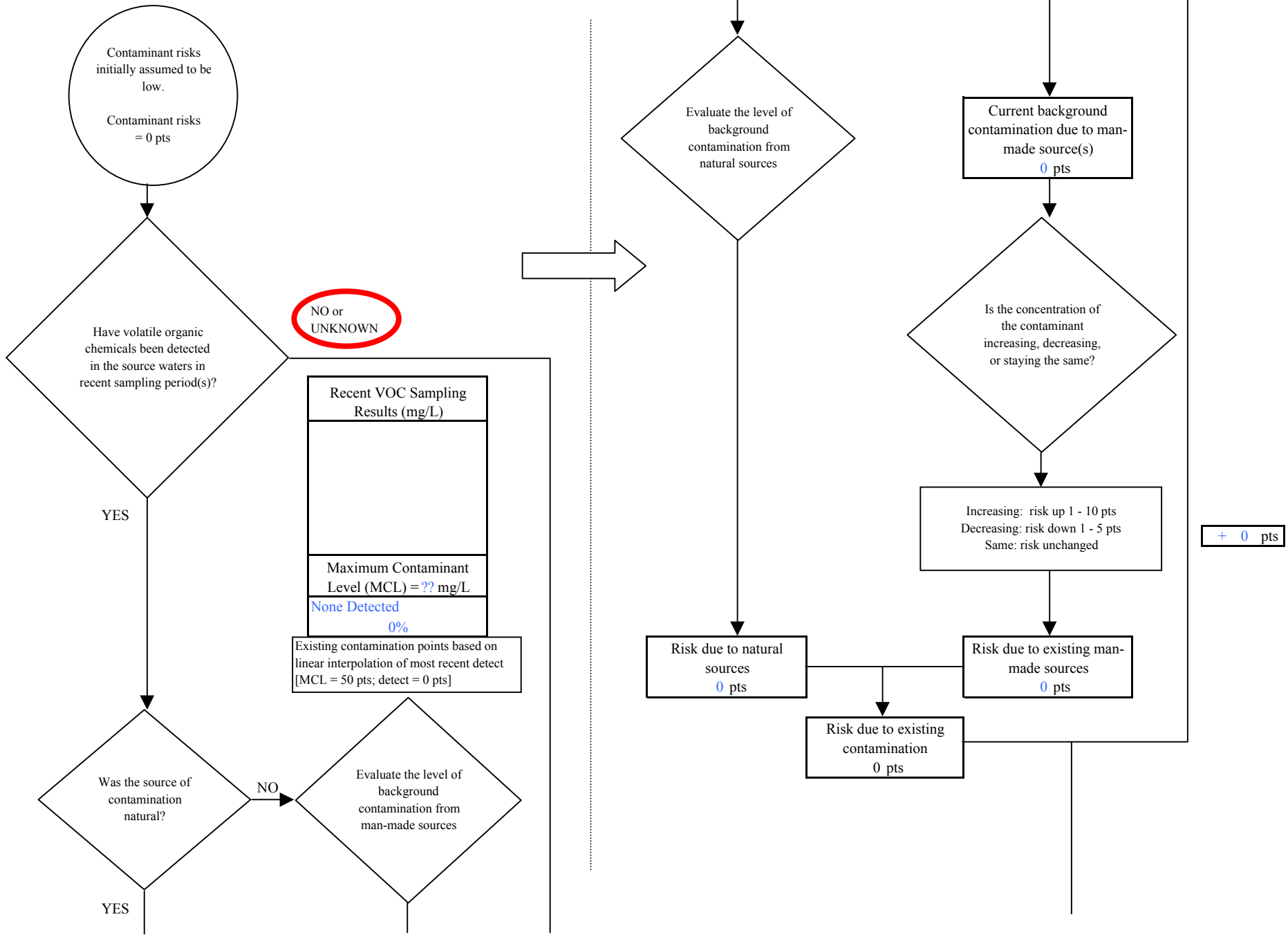


Chart 7. Contaminant risks for Sunset Hill Baptist Church - Volatile Organic Chemicals

+ 35 pts

What level of risk is associated with the highest and the next highest risk sources(s) of contaminants identified in Zones A, B and C?

Risk Levels for Contaminant Sources identified in Zones A, B and C

	Zone A	Zones B&C	Total
Very Highs(s)	0	0	0
High(s)	1	0	1
Medium(s)	3	2	5
Low(s)	5	7	12

	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 35

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.

Initial assessment of risk posed by potential sources of contamination = 35 pts

Is the source aquifer fractured rock or karst?

YES

NO

Are all of the higher risk sources beyond Zones A and B?

NO

Risk unchanged

YES

Decrease risk 1 - 10 pts

- 0 pts

Are any significant sources within Zone A?

NO

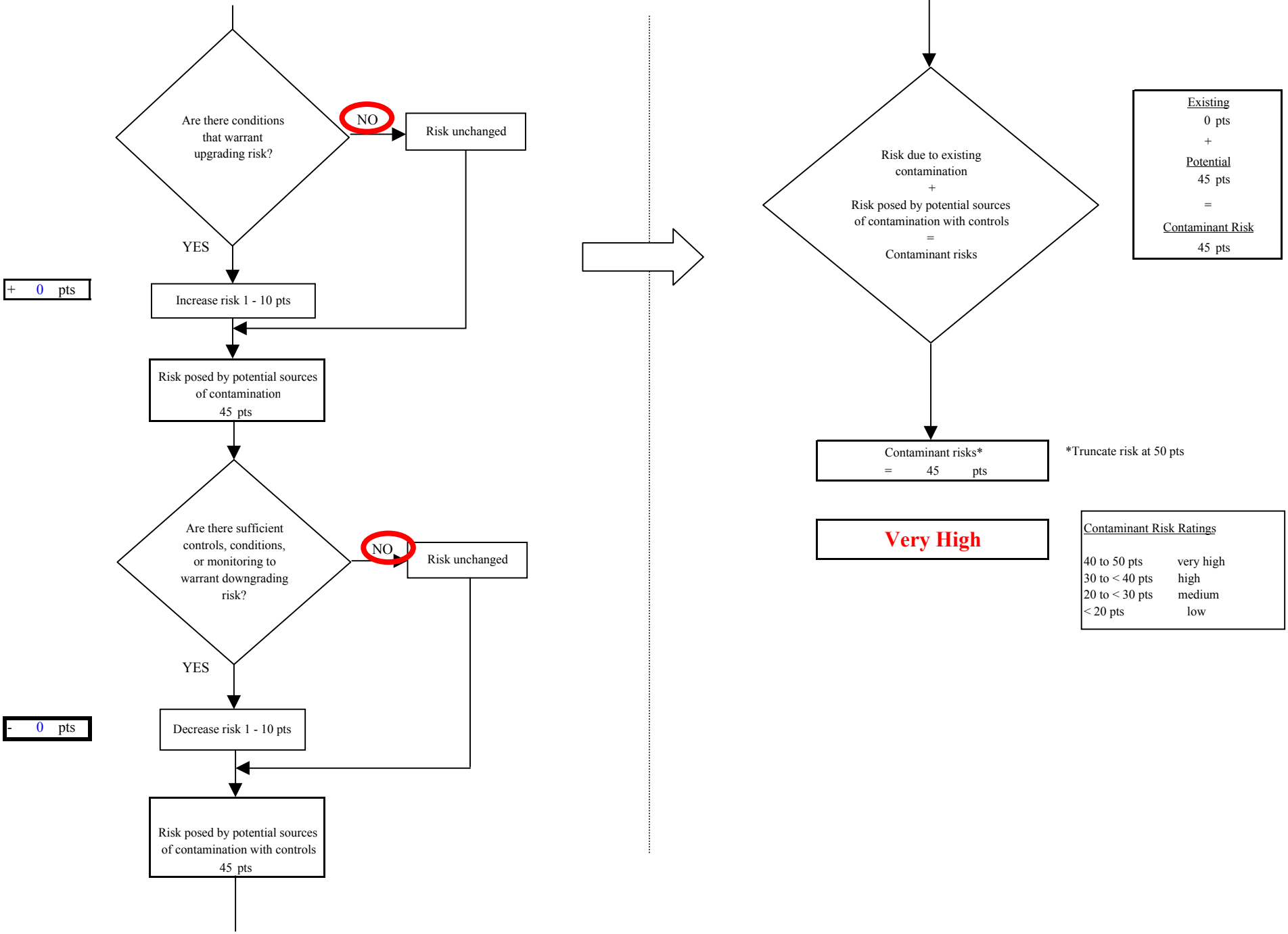
Risk unchanged

YES

Increase risk 1 - 10 pts

+ 10 pts

Chart 7. Contaminant risks for Sunset Hill Baptist Church - Volatile Organic Chemicals



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