

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS
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Only a few samples have benzene concentrations above 1,100 ppb and were collected within the top 4 feet (A13, B9, C10). However, many samples collected at 4-6 feet have benzene concentrations above 1,100 ppb. Since most of the contamination was from ASTs, should we assume the soil from 0-4 feet is above the Table 2 value for benzene if the sample from 4-6 is above 1,100 ppb benzene?

It should be assumed only if the photo ionization detector readings from 0-4 feet below ground surface, in the boring with benzene from 4-6 feet greater than 1,100 ppb, are indicative of Table 2 exceedances.