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Dear Mr. Takaba:

SUBJECT: RED HILL TANK COMPLEX  
SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING RESULTS FOR DECEMBER 2018  
DOH FACILITY ID NO. 9-102271  
DOH RELEASE ID NO. 990051, 010011, 020028, AND 140010

Soil vapor samples were collected from beneath all active and accessible Red Hill tanks on December 18, 2018.

Soil vapor VOC concentrations were measured in the field using a photo-ionization detector. The soil vapor sampling results are being submitted as Enclosure 1.

A conservative approach is to assess the integrity of the associated tank system if VOC concentrations exceed 280,000 ppbv in soil vapor monitoring points (SVMPs) beneath tanks containing JP-5 or JP-8, or 14,000 ppbv in SVMPs beneath tanks containing marine diesel fuel. These values are 50 percent of the calculated vapor concentration from fuel-saturated water.

At Tank 5, the concentrations of VOCs detected in the front, middle, and outer edge soil vapor monitoring probes were 652 ppbv, 1,628 ppbv, and 1,424 ppbv, respectively. Tank 5 was emptied in January 2014 and has not contained fuel since that time. VOC concentrations in all down-gradient soil vapor monitors were below 485 ppbv.

All other VOC concentrations measured in December were about 25 to 1,280 times below the action levels, with no consistent trends observed. NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor Causative Research Report is submitted as Enclosure 2. Possible reasons for the results are speculative and may include, but not be limited to, ongoing projects in the tunnel, groundwater level fluctuations, rainfall (or lack thereof), bi-product of biodegradation, and fuel movement in the tanks and piping.

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Soil vapor VOC concentration trends will continue to be monitored. The next soil vapor sampling event is scheduled for January 2019, and will include collecting samples from soil vapor monitoring probes beneath all active and accessible tanks.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, or if more information is needed, please contact Mr. Melvin Muraoka at (808) 471-3869.

Sincerely,



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Acting Director  
Regional Environmental Department  
By direction of the  
Commander

- Enclosures: 1. Summary of Soil Vapor Sampling Results for Tanks 2 through 18 and 20 through December 2018 (18 ages)  
2. NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor Causative Research Report IRT Red Hill Soil Vapor Monitoring Report for December 2018

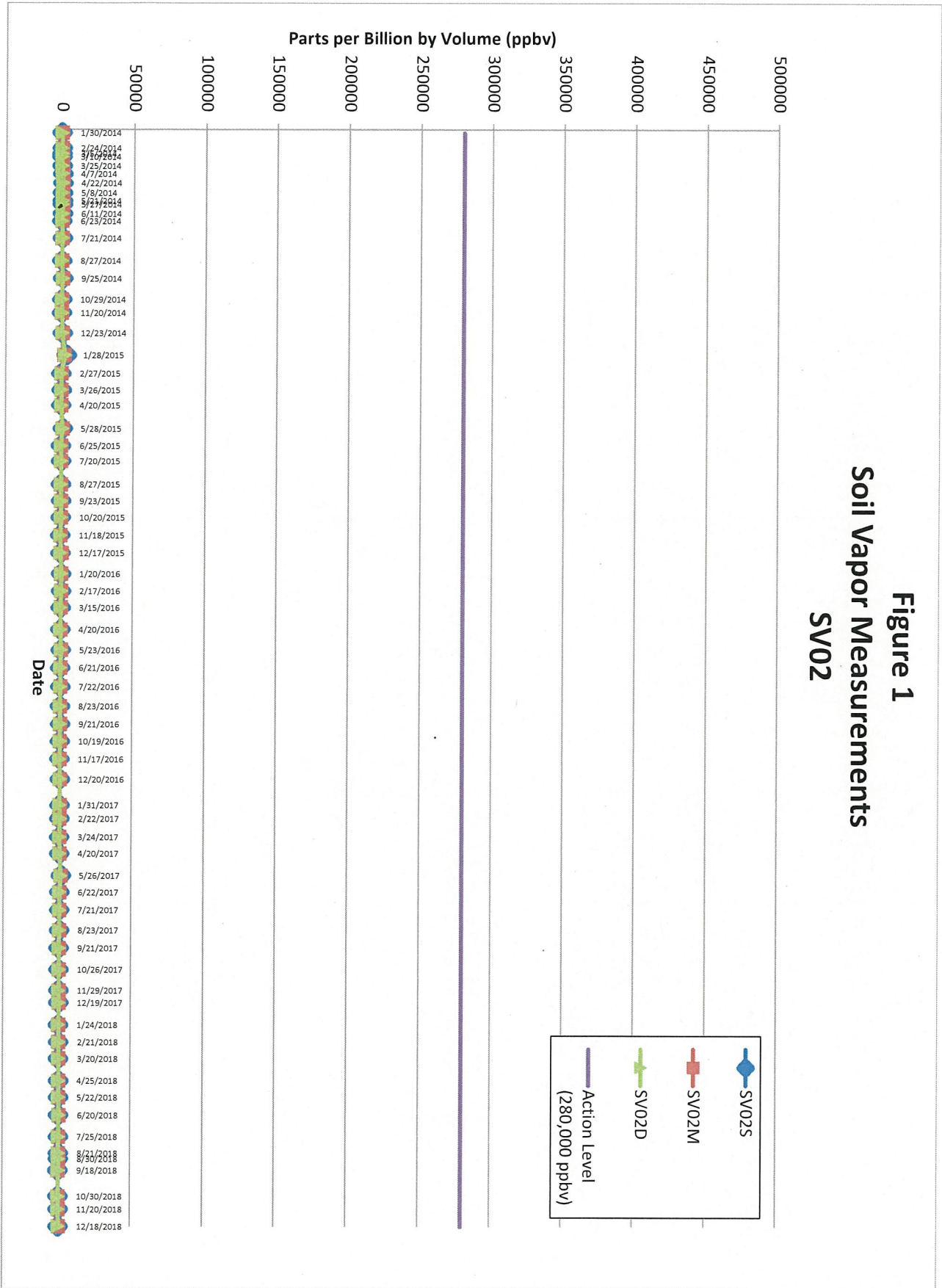
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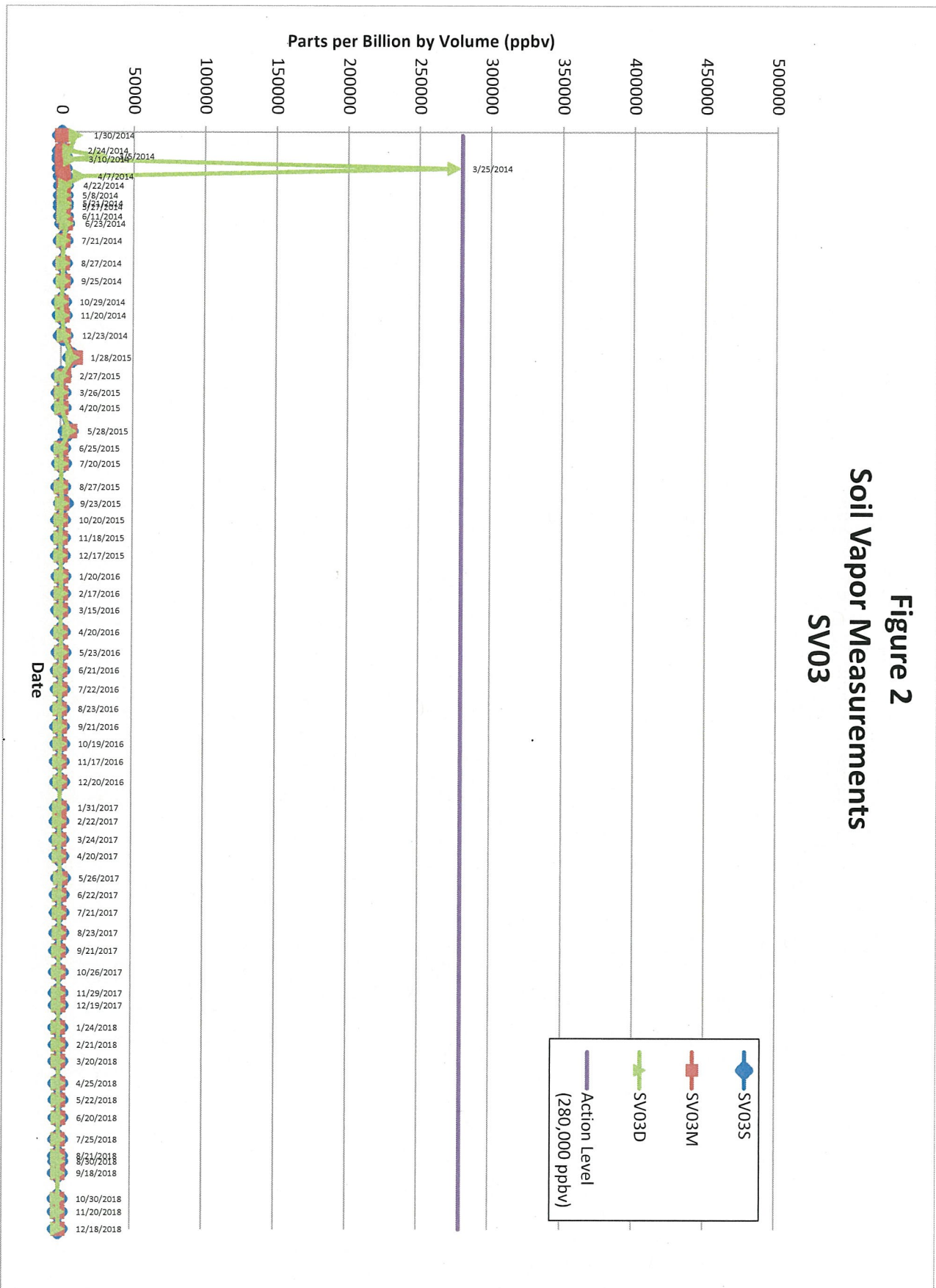
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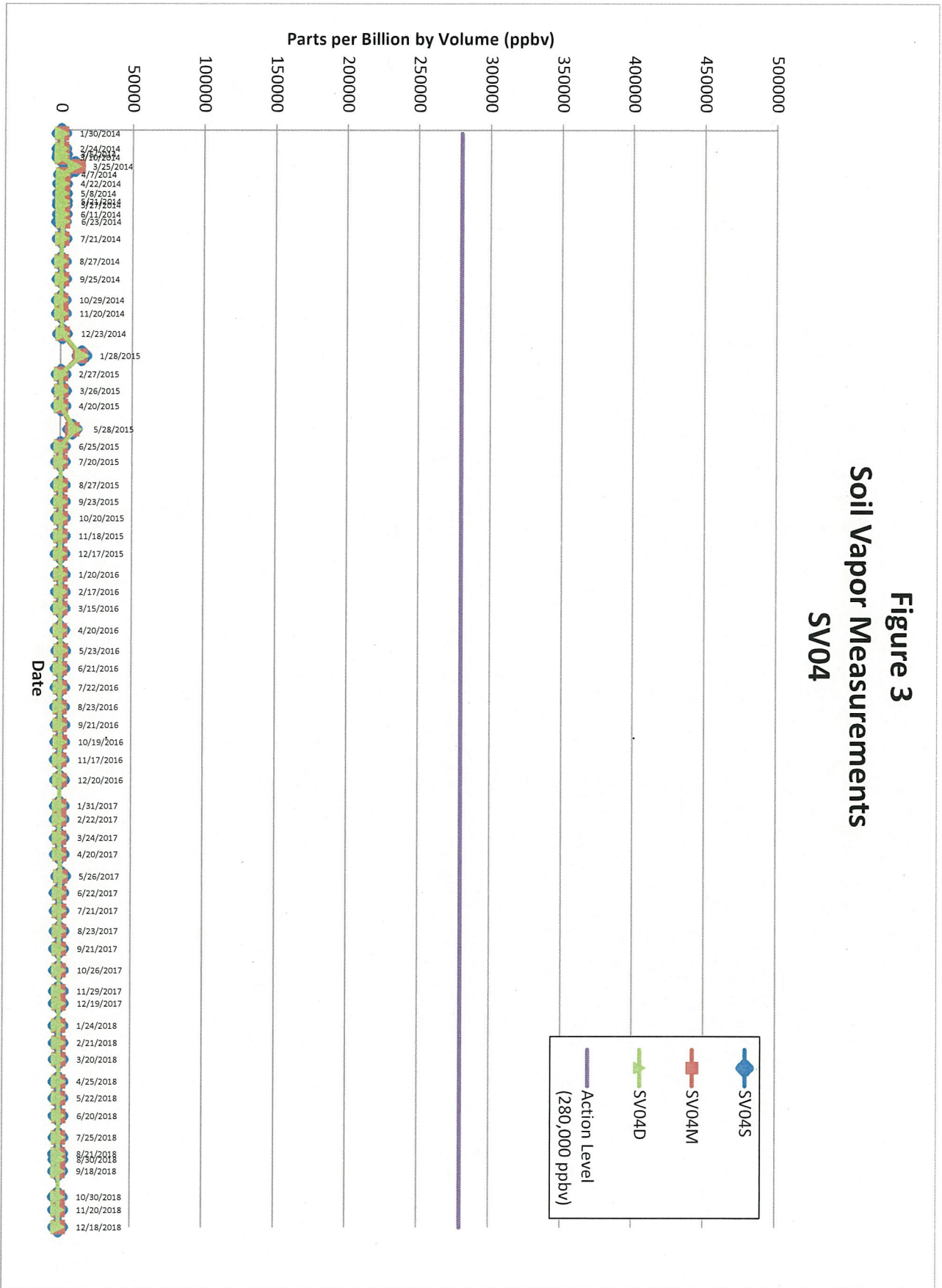
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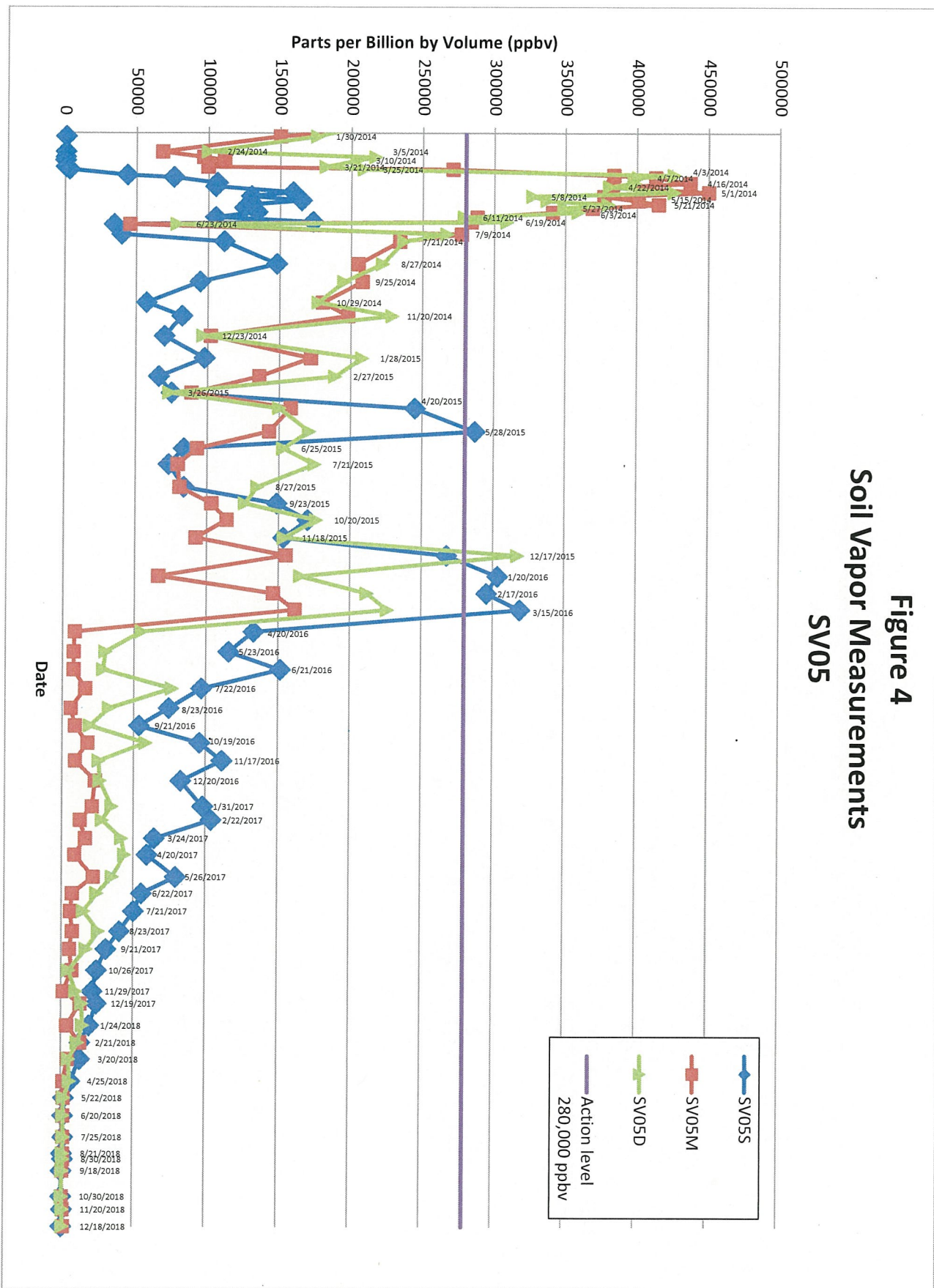


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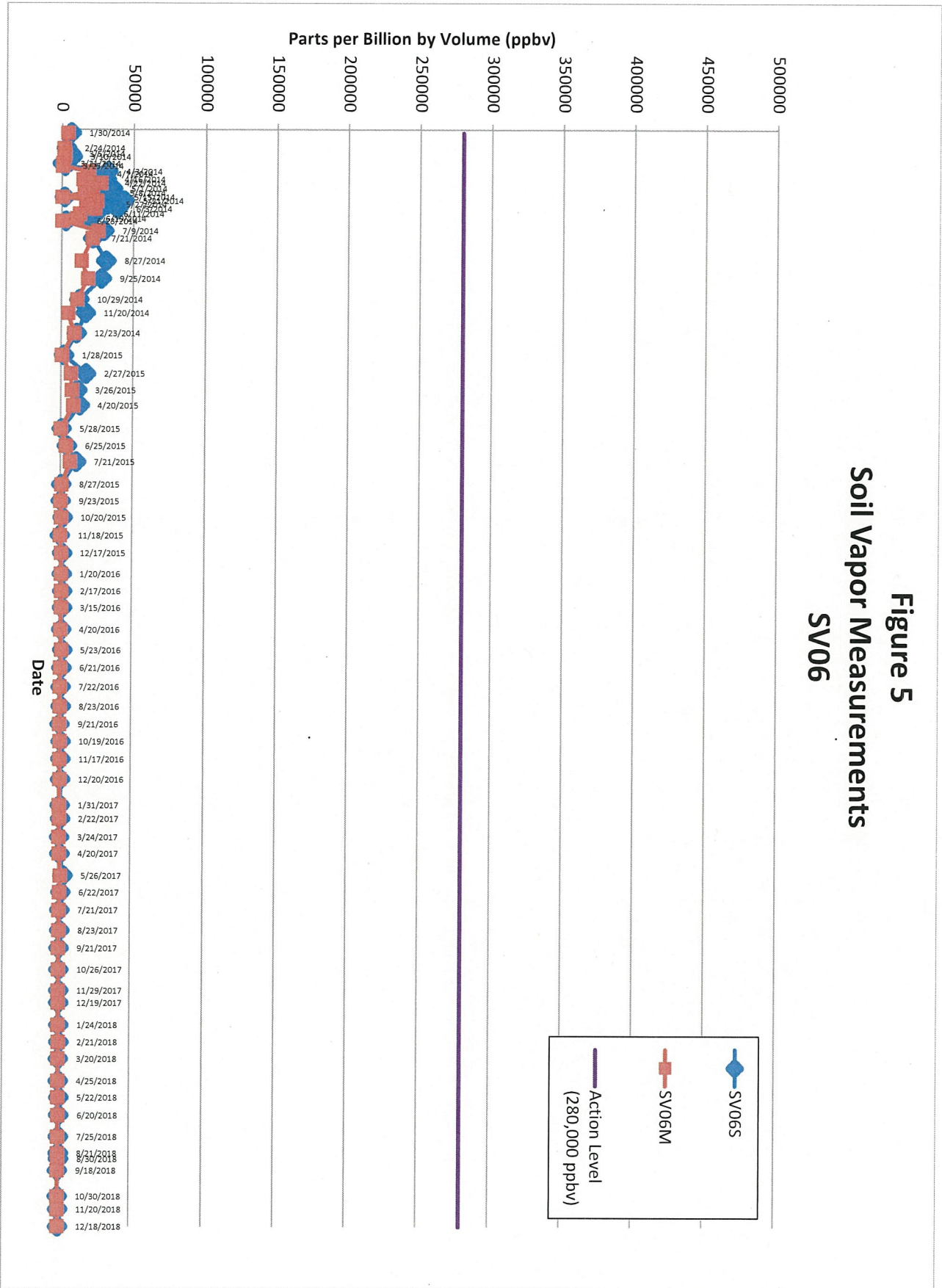
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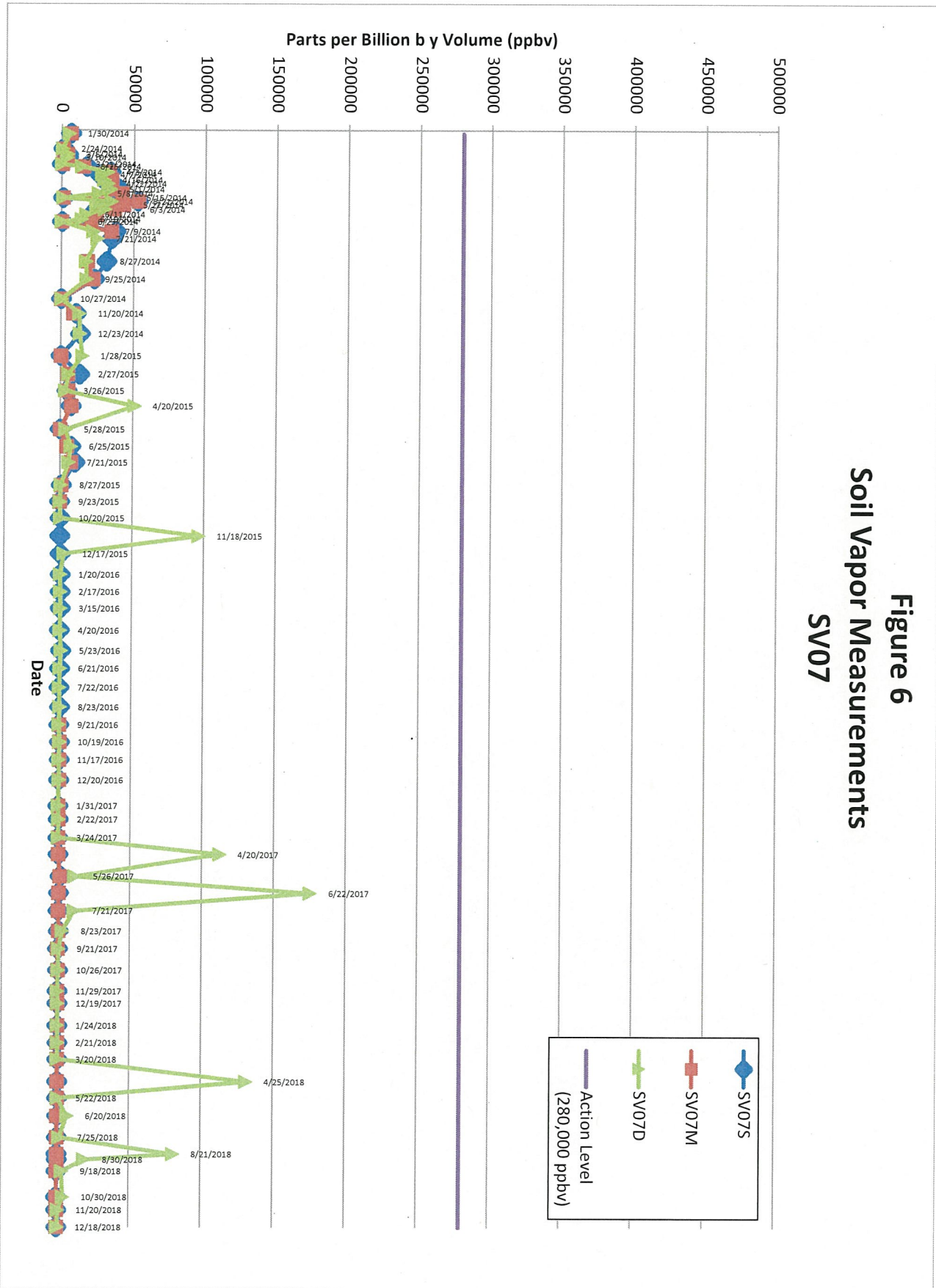


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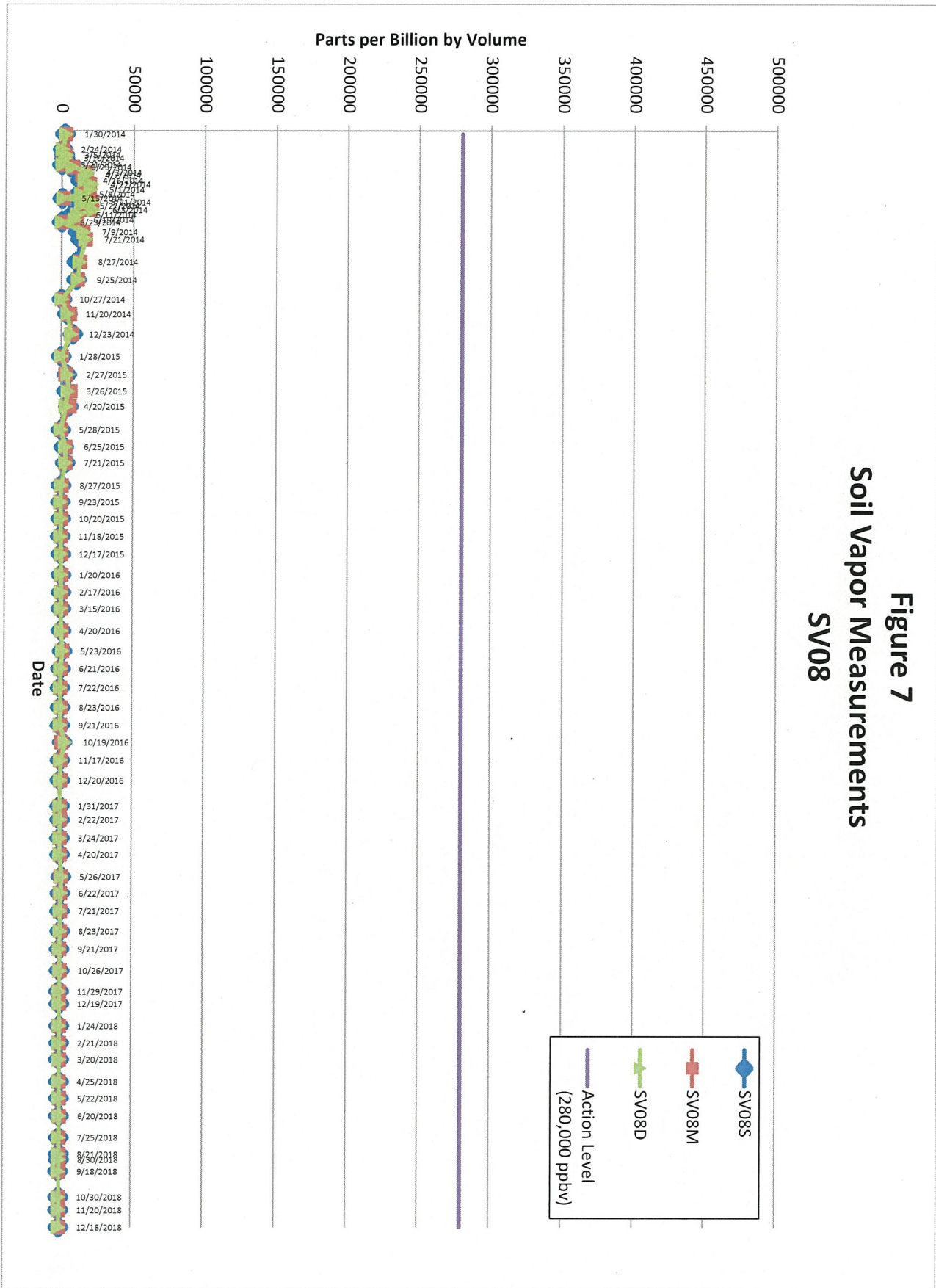


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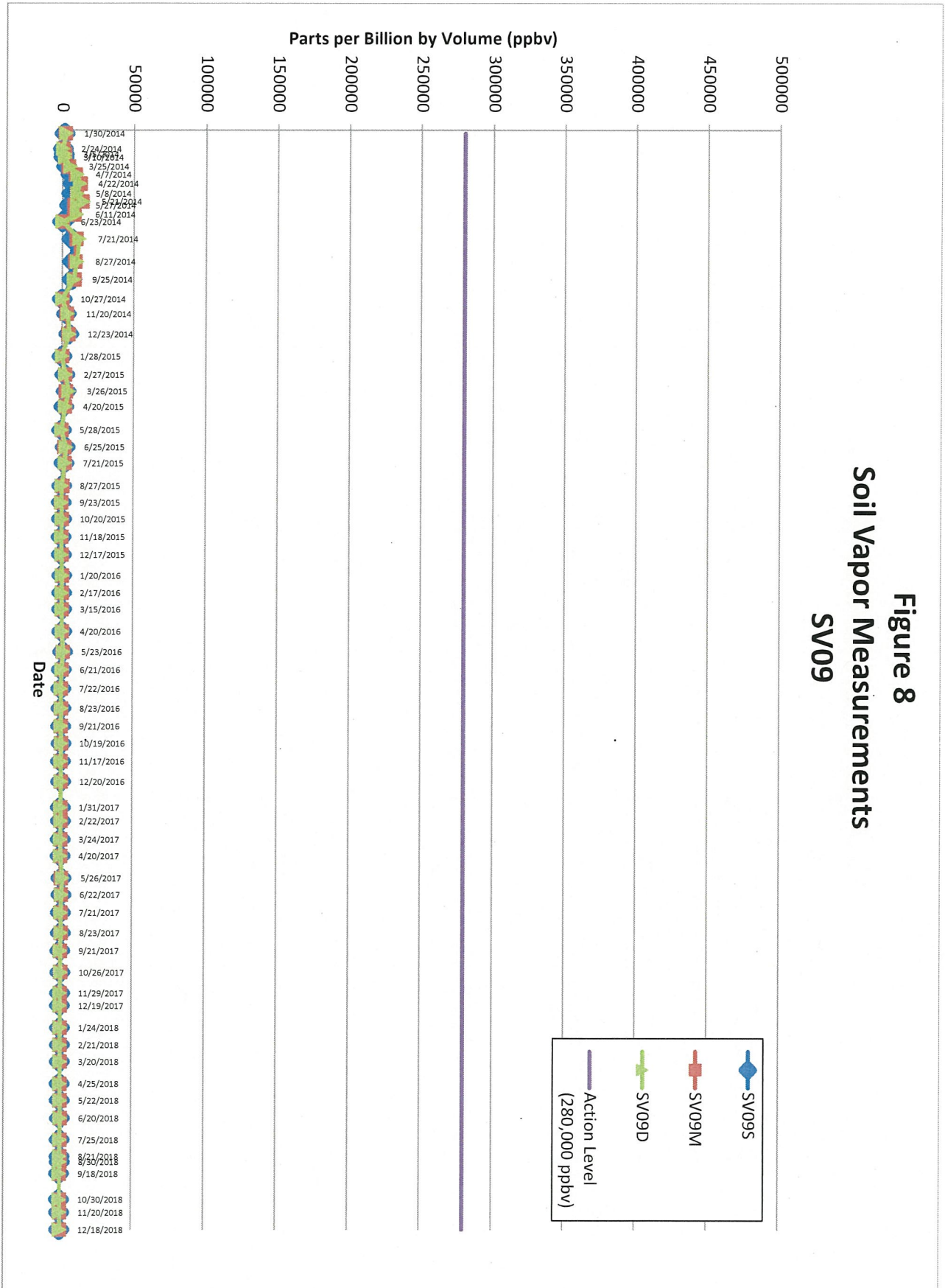




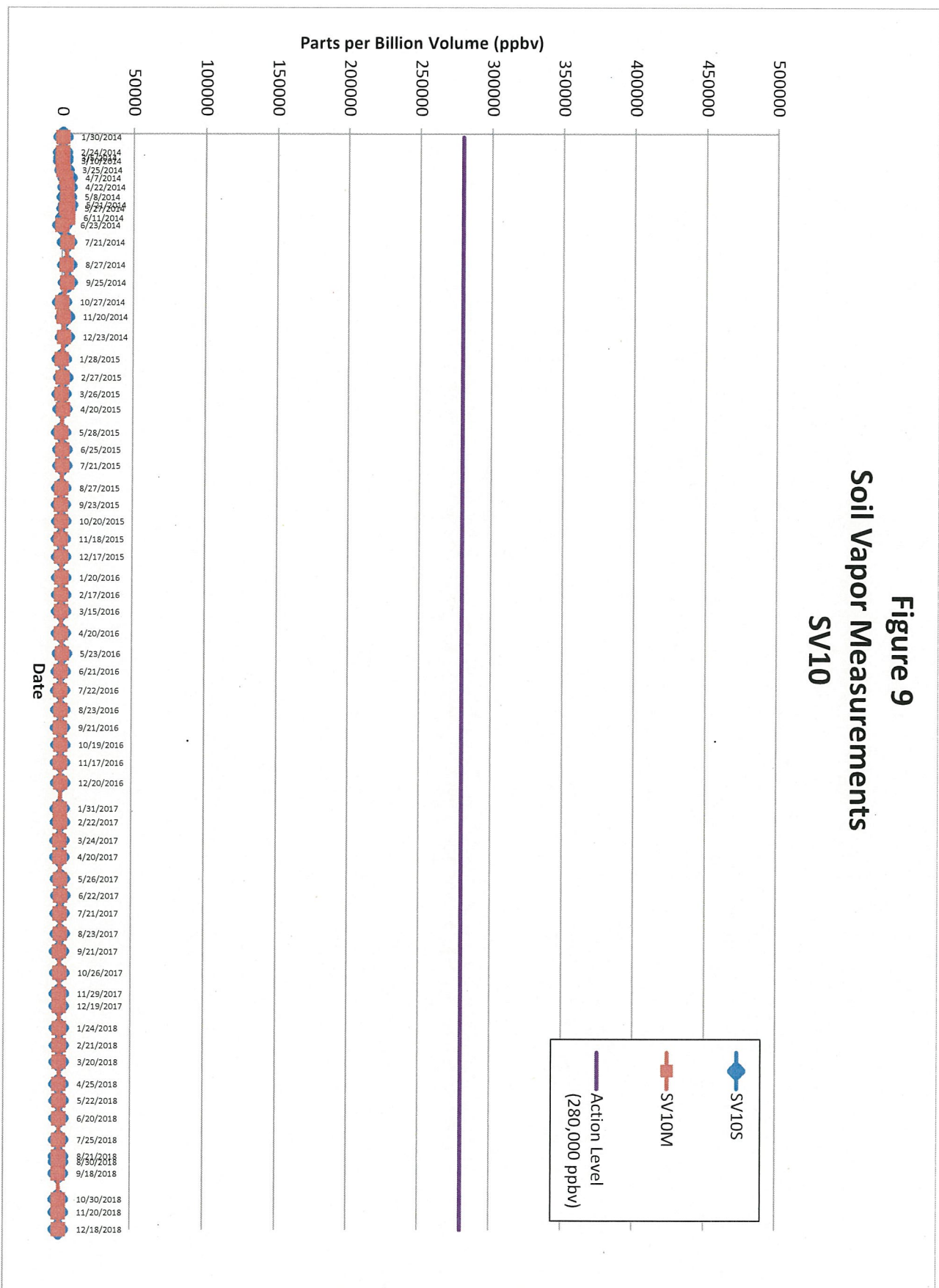
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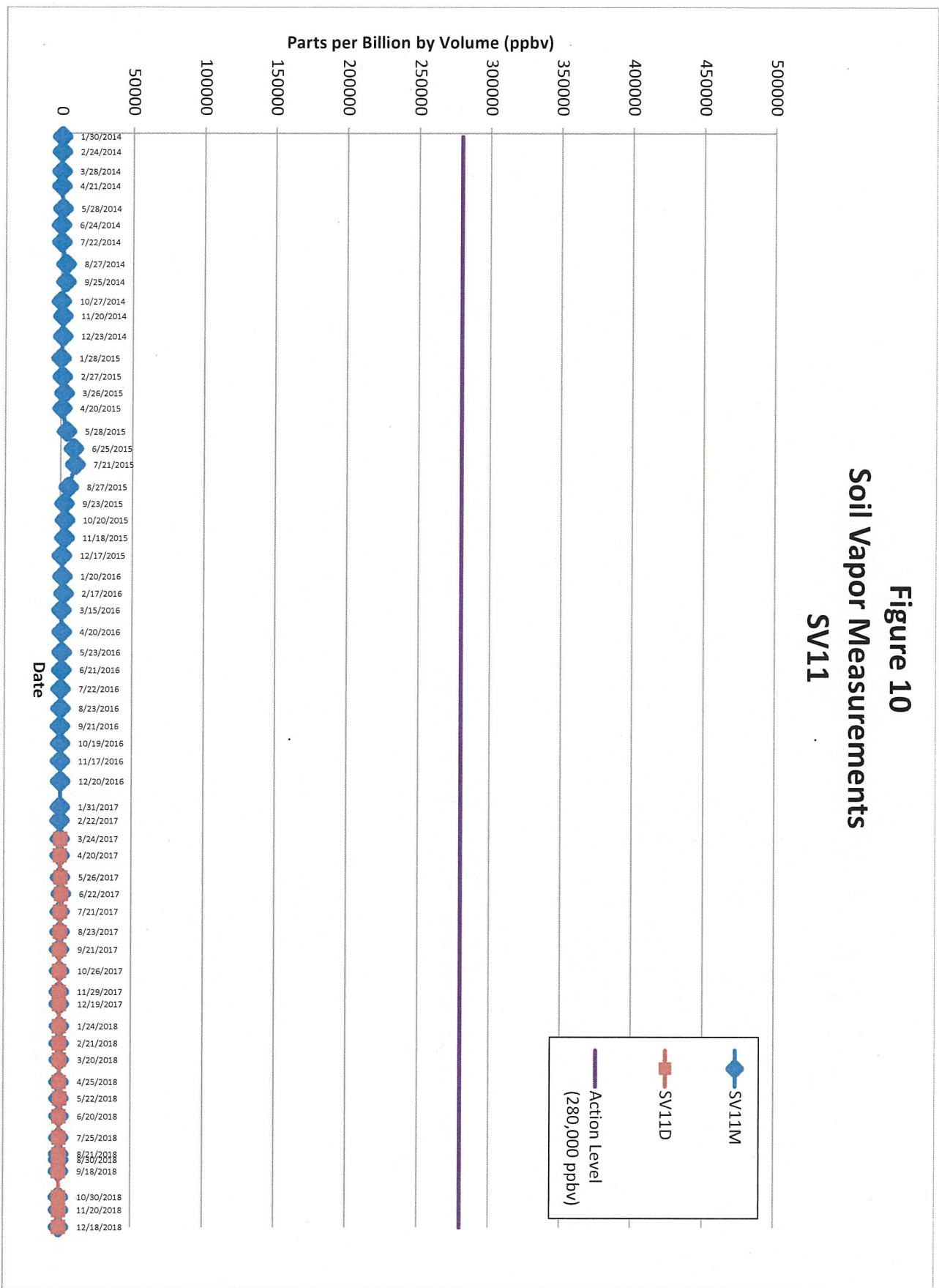
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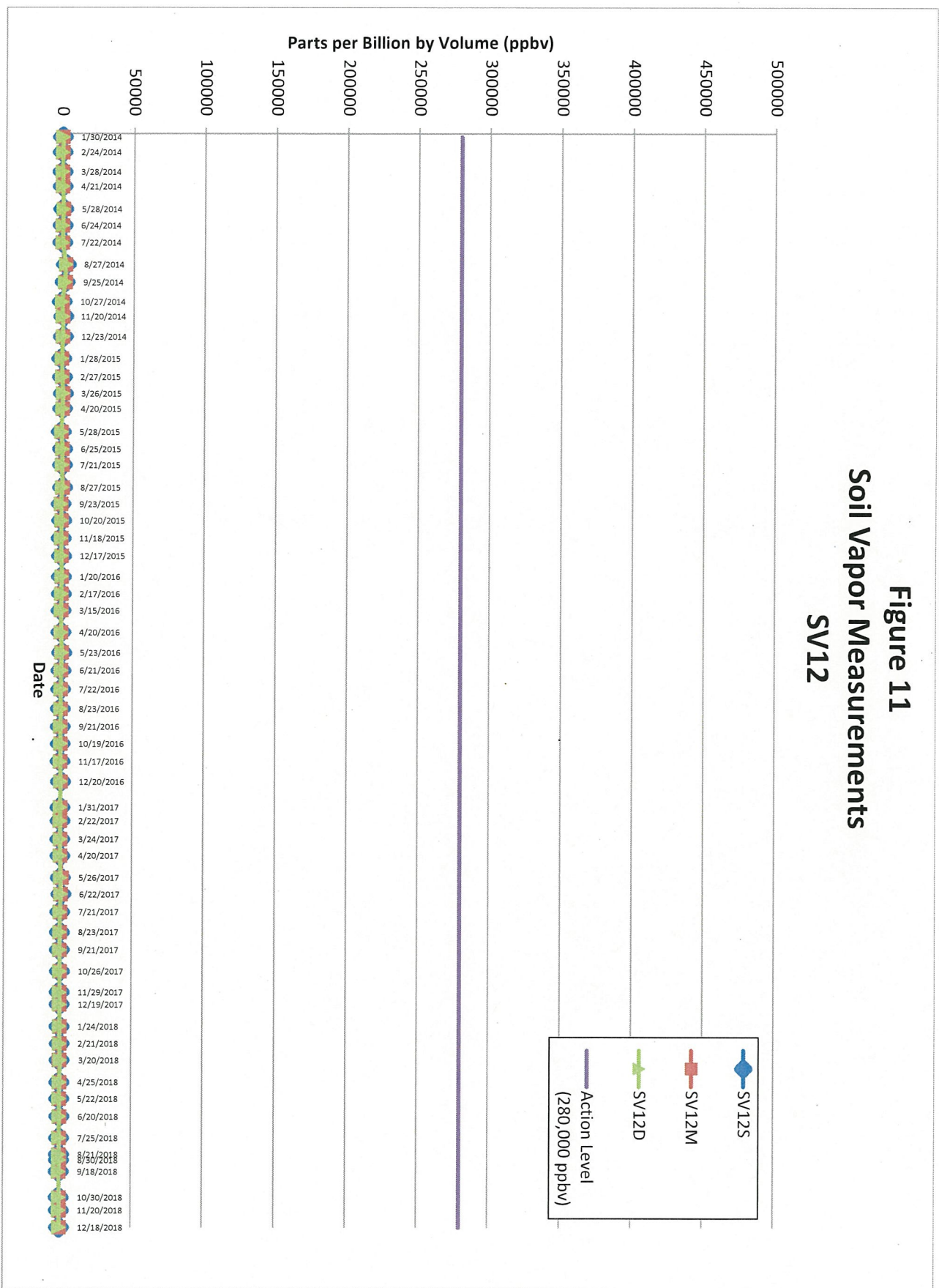
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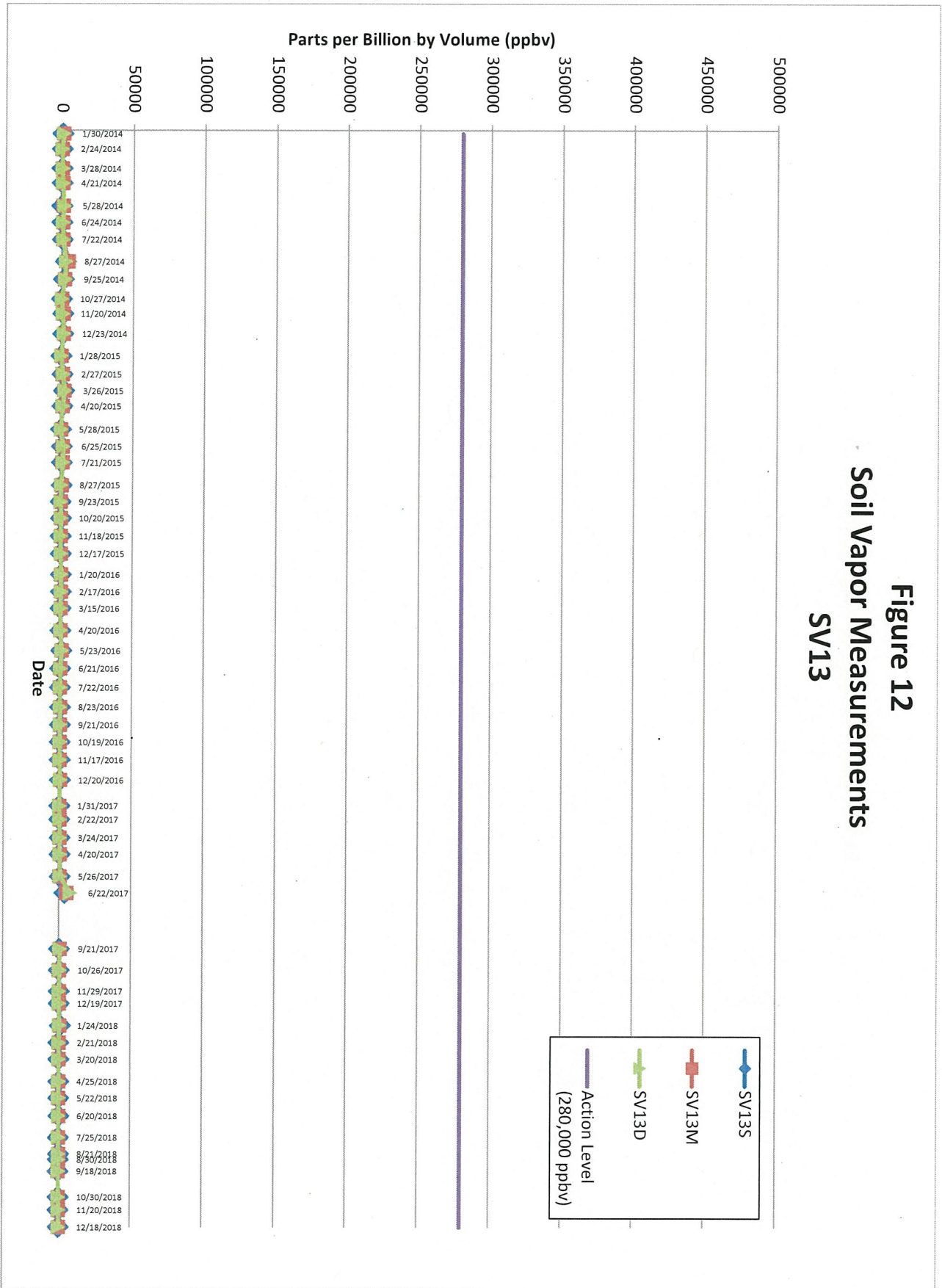
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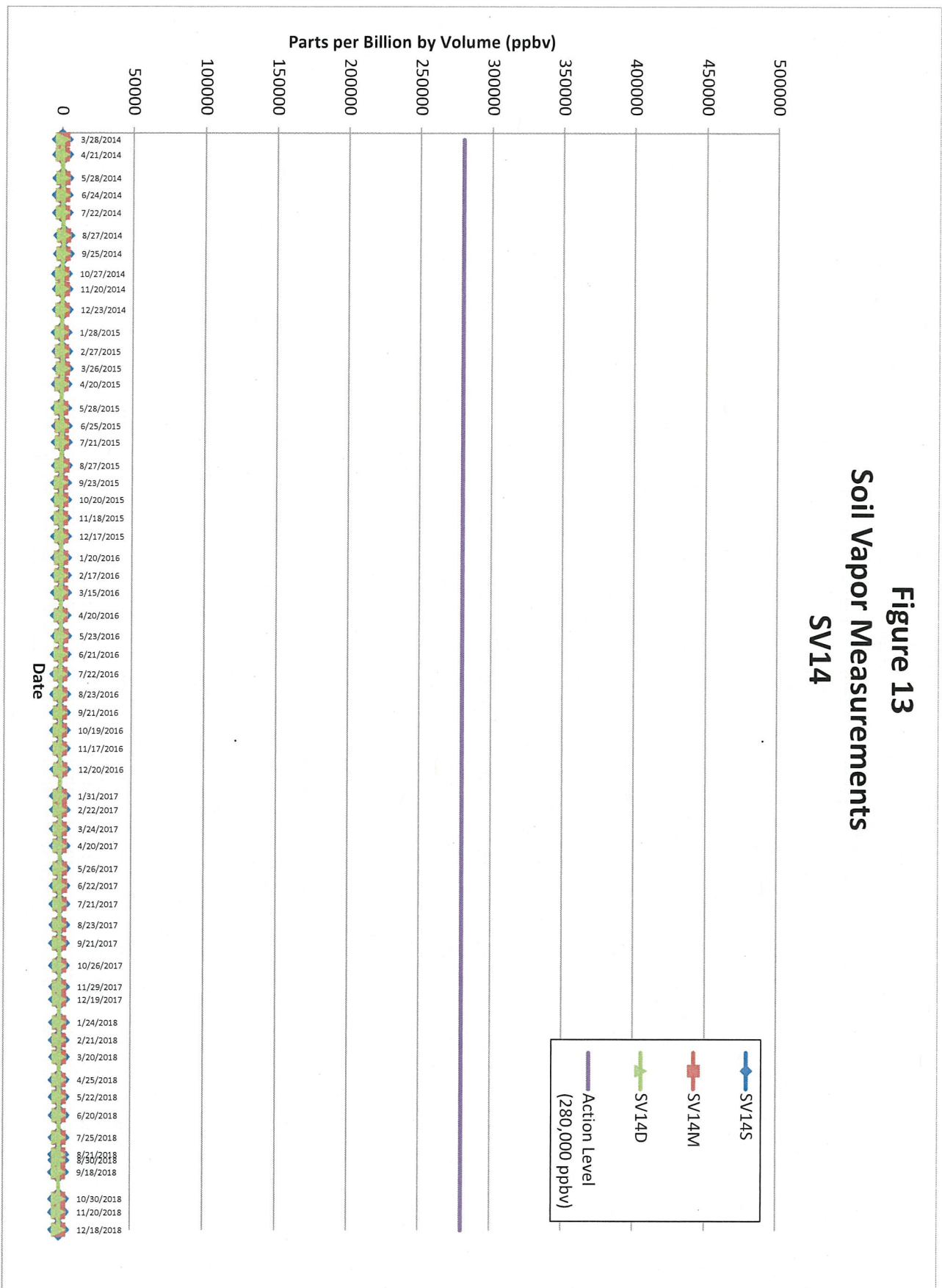
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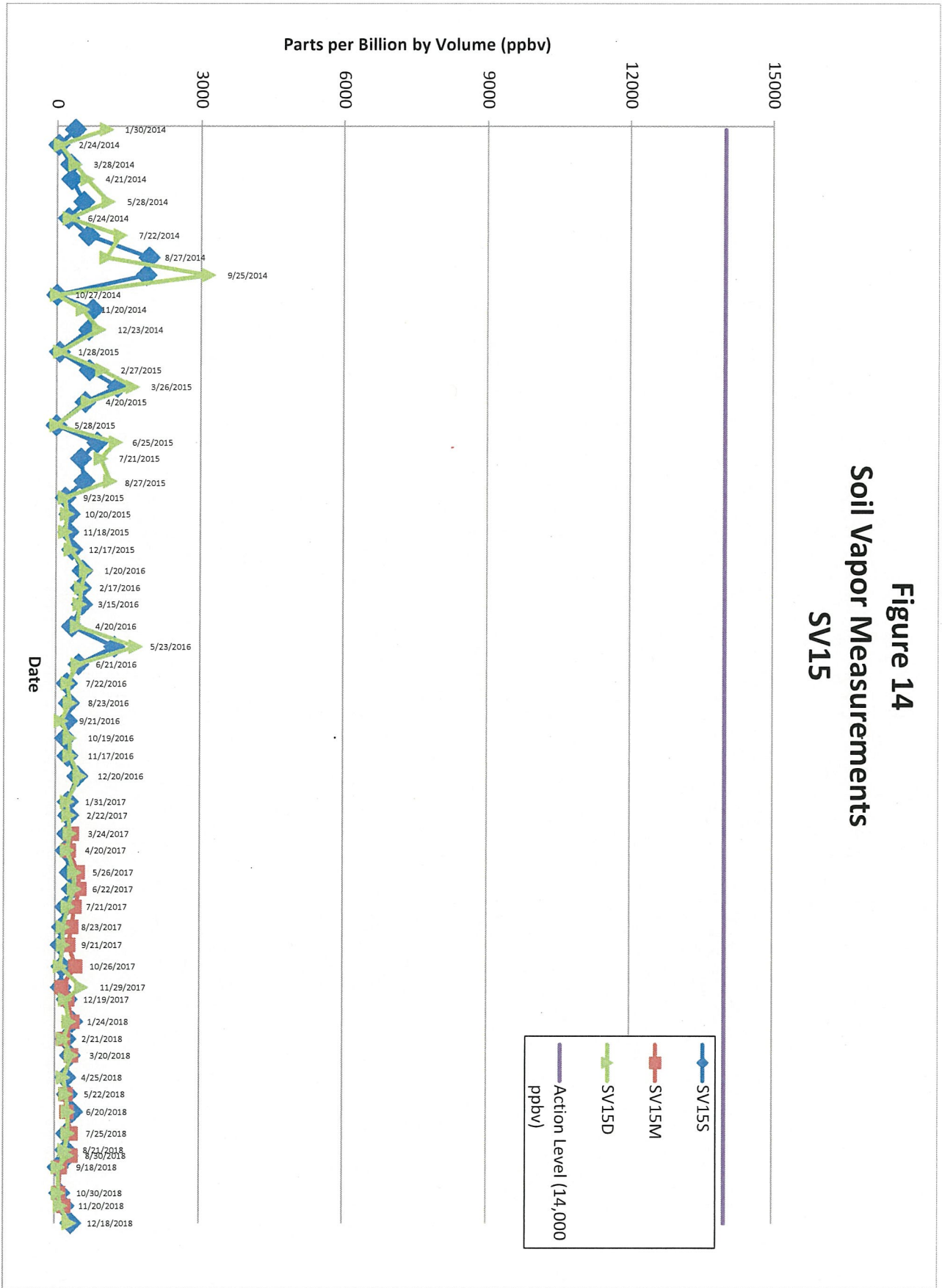
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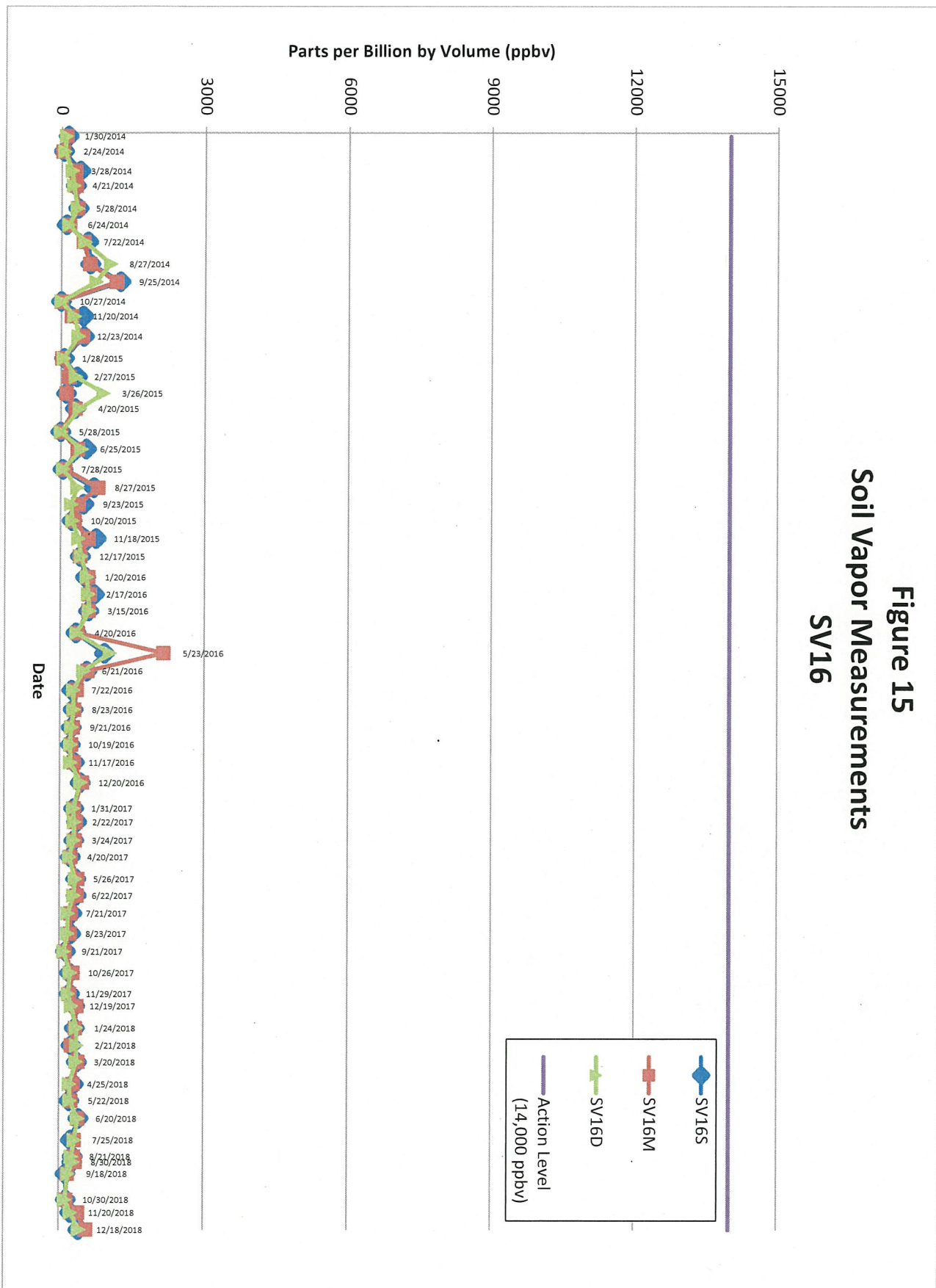


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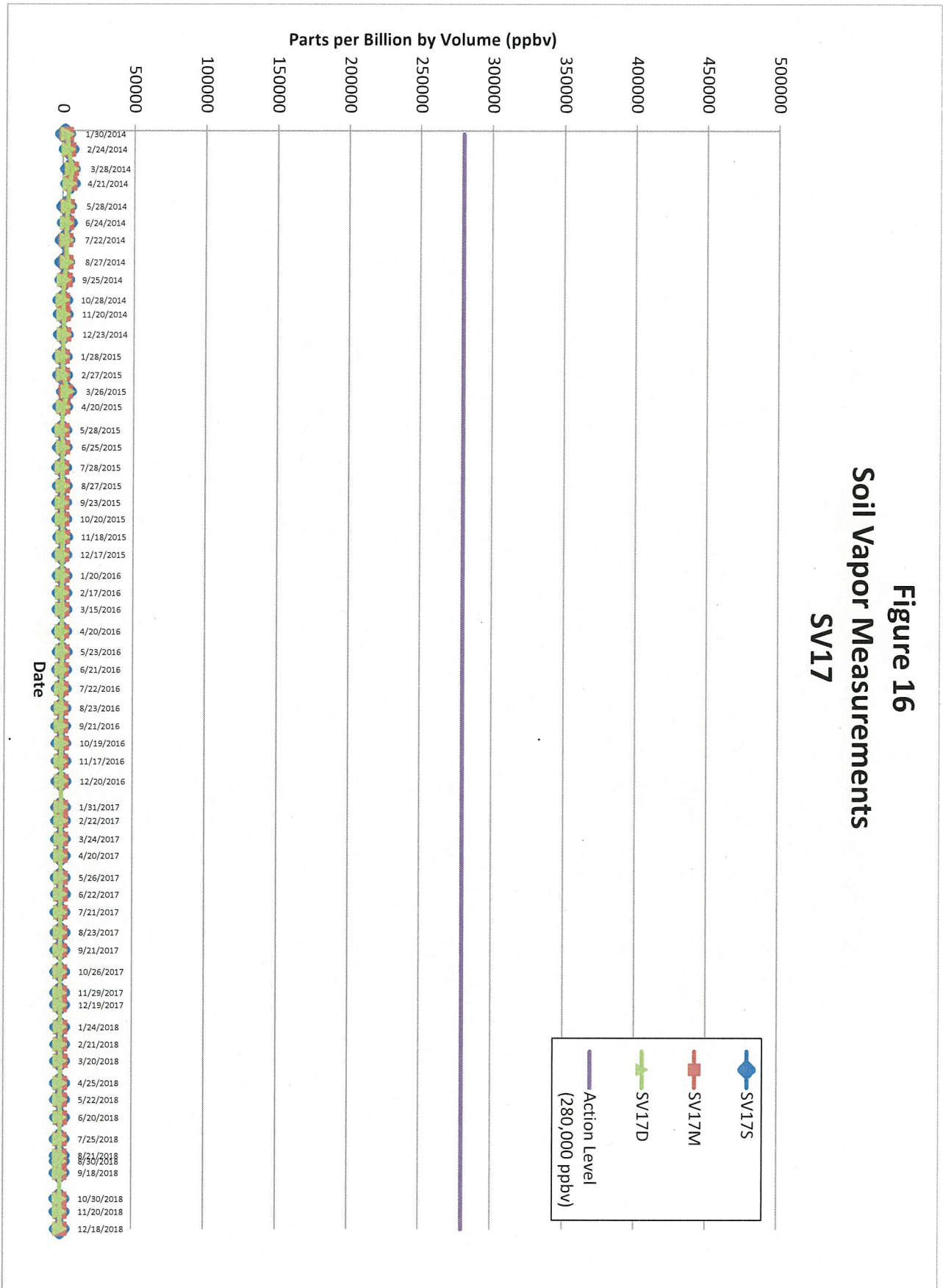




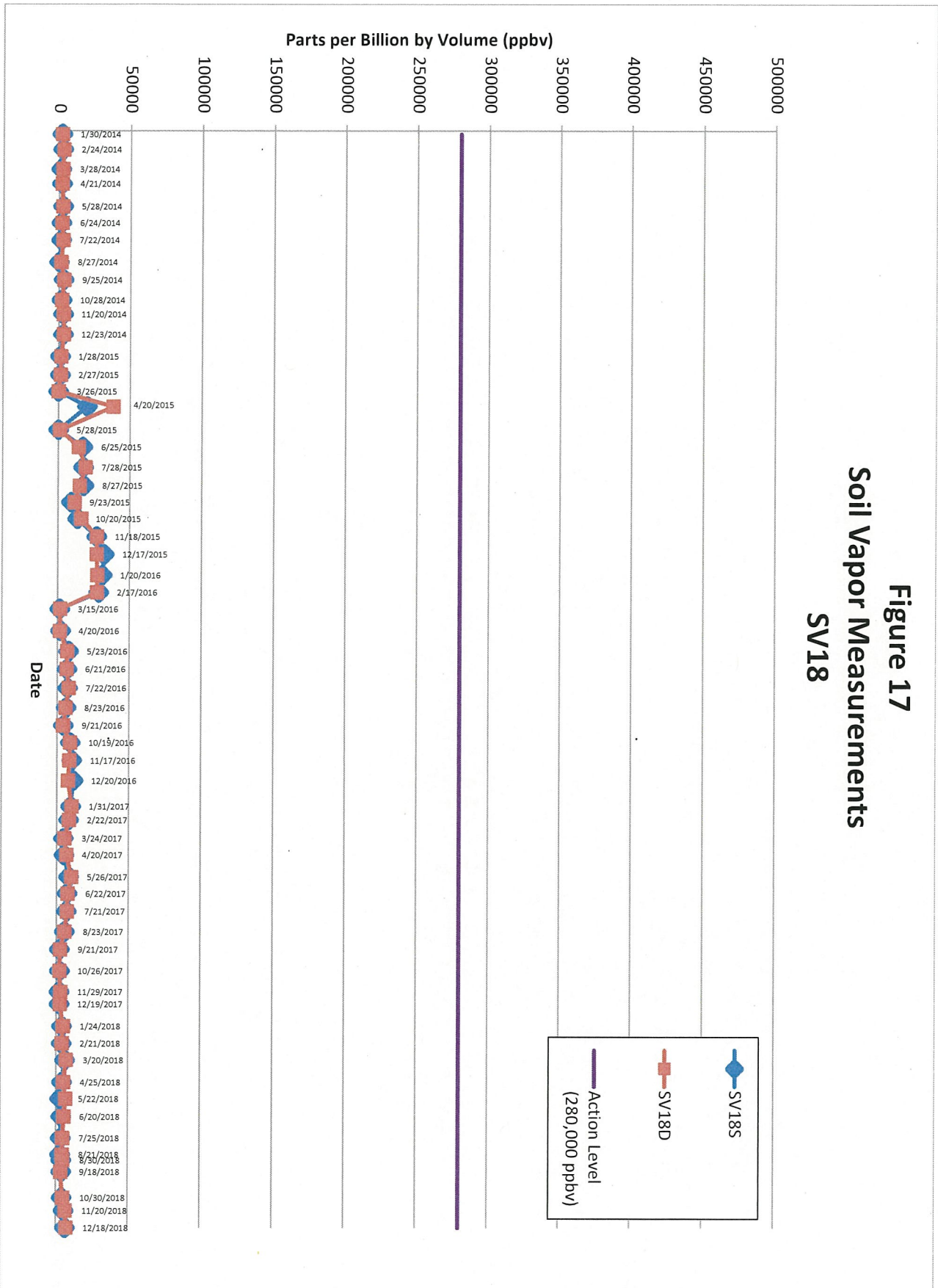
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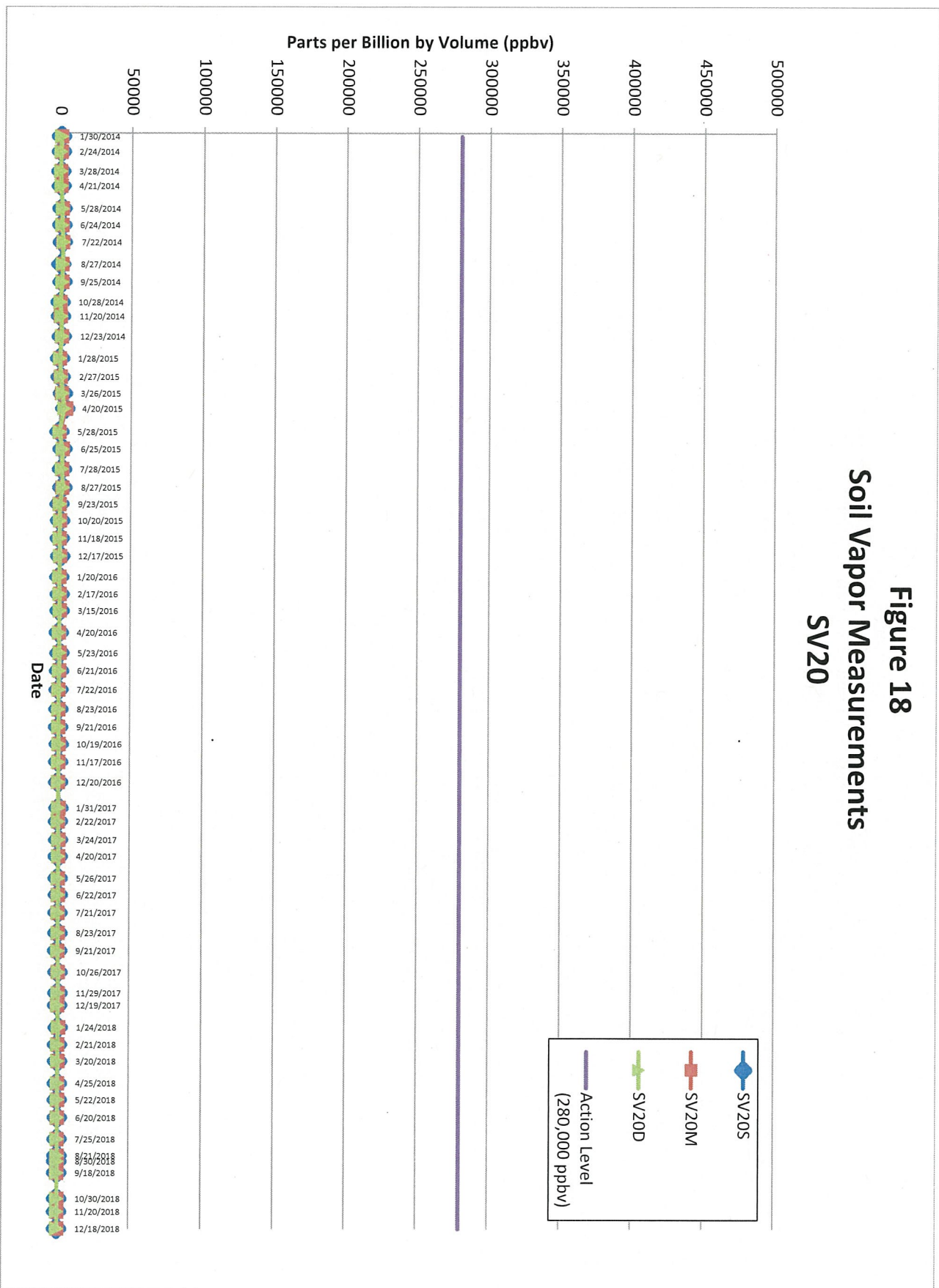
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**Figure 17**  
**Soil Vapor Measurements**  
**SV18**



**Figure 18**  
**Soil Vapor Measurements**  
**SV20**



31 Jan 2018

From: Deputy Director, Fuel Department, NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor, HI  
To: Environmental Department, NAVFAC Pearl Harbor, HI

Subj: NAVSUP FLC PEARL HARBOR CAUSATIVE RESEARCH REPORT IRT RED HILL  
SOIL VAPOR MONITORING REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2018

Ref: (a) Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility Groundwater Protection Plan  
(b) Red Hill Soil Vapor Monitoring Report for Round 129, dtd 20 Dec 2018

1. Ref (a) requires NAVSUP FLCPH investigate possible fuel leaks. Refs (b) reported the following soil vapor monitoring results at the Red Hill Fuel Storage Facility:

- Strong increase trends indicated at tank 18
- Slight increase trends at tanks 2-6, 8-10, 12-14, 16-17, and 20

2. FLCPH causative research and findings:

a. Reviewed all AFHE Unscheduled Fuel Movement (UFM) Alarm Summaries and UFM Reports. The following UFM alarm was recorded during the month of December 2018:

20 Dec: RH 16 - UFM alarm occurred after pipeline receipt. Tank was top gauged and valves were verified to be closed. No release of fuel occurred.

- b. Reviewed Red Hill Inventory Trend Analysis Reports for December 2018; reports did not reveal evidence of a loss of fuel in any Red Hill tank.
- c. Red Hill maintenance and repair contractors did not report any factors that could have influenced increase in trends.
- d. Inspection of the area surrounding all Red Hill tanks did not show evidence of a fuel leak or evidence that fuel was spilled in the area.
- e. All active tanks have passed tank tightness testing within the required periodicity.

4. There's no evidence of a leaking tank in the Red Hill Complex or evidence of a spill that may have contributed to elevated soil vapor VOC levels in the area of elevated VOC concentrations.

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