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Dear Mr. Takaba:

SUBJECT: RED HILL TANK COMPLEX
SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING RESULTS FOR JULY 2019
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 July 29, 2019.

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.

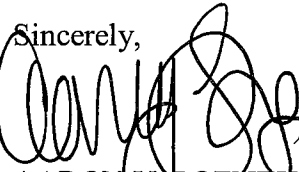
At Tank 5, the concentrations of VOCs detected in the front, middle, and outer edge soil vapor monitoring probes were 439 ppbv, 1,034 ppbv, and 4,978ppbv, respectively. Tank 5 was emptied in January 2014 and has not contained fuel since that time. VOC concentrations in all down-gradient soil vapor monitors were below 772 ppbv.

All other VOC concentrations measured in July were about 38 to 1,522 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 August 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.

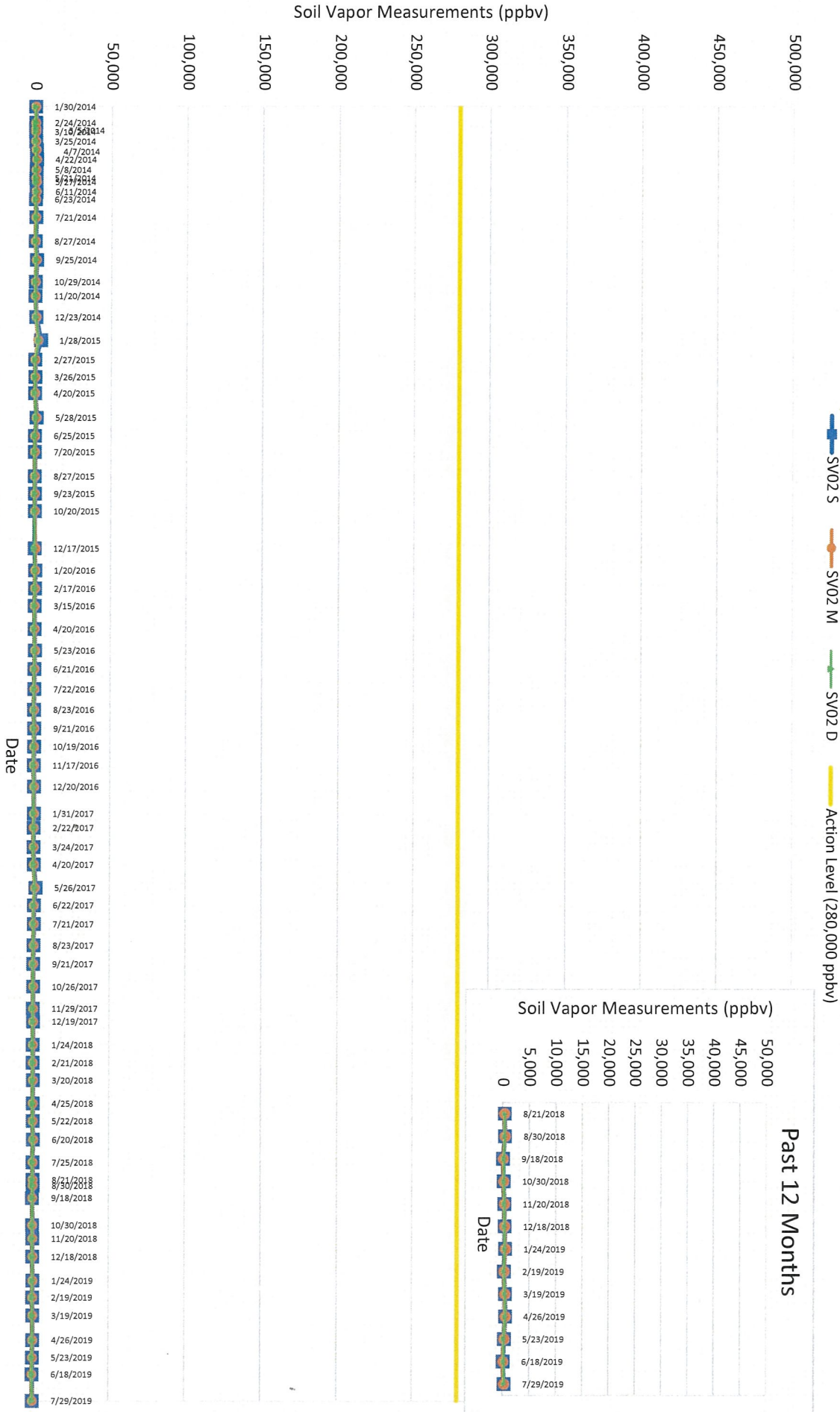
Sincerely,


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Director
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By direction of the
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- Enclosures: 1. Summary of Soil Vapor Sampling Results for Tanks 2 through 18 and 20 through July 2019 (18 pages)
2. NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor Causative Research Report IRT Red Hill Soil Vapor Monitoring Report for July 2019

Copy to: Mr. Omer Shalev, U.S. EPA Region 9, Underground Storage Tank Program Office
Mr. John Floyd, NAVSUP FLC Pearl Harbor
Mr. Ralph Wells, DLA Energy Pacific

Figure 1
Soil Vapor Measurements - SV02 (F-24)

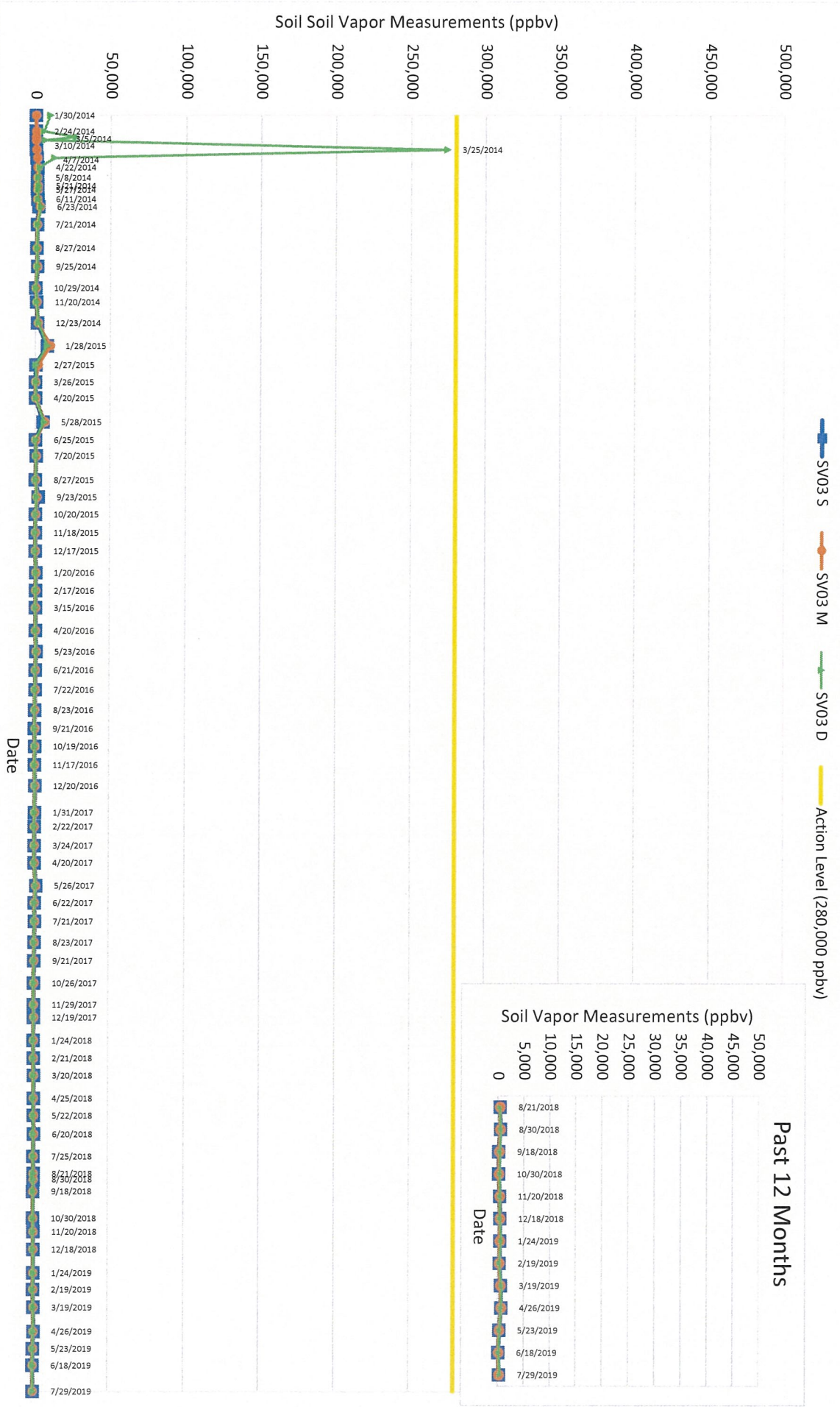


Notes:
ppbv: Parts Per Billion by Volume
F-24: Jet Fuel, Fuel Number 24

JP-5: Jet Fuel, Propellant Number 5
F-76: Marine Diesel Fuel Number 76

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Figure 2
Soil Vapor Measurements - SV03 (F-24)



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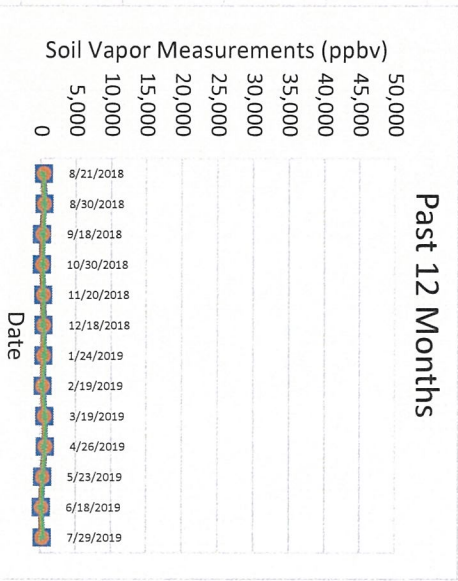
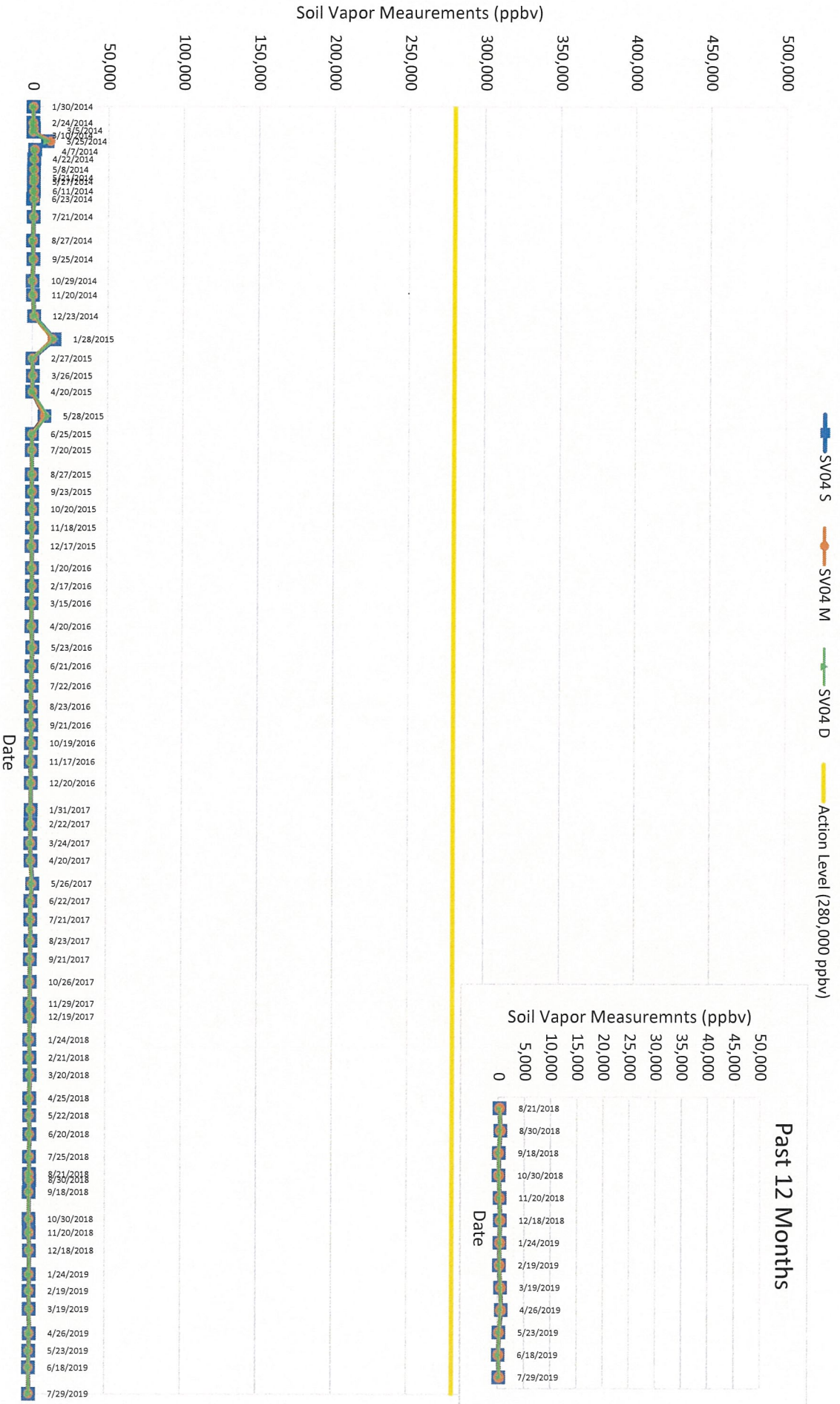


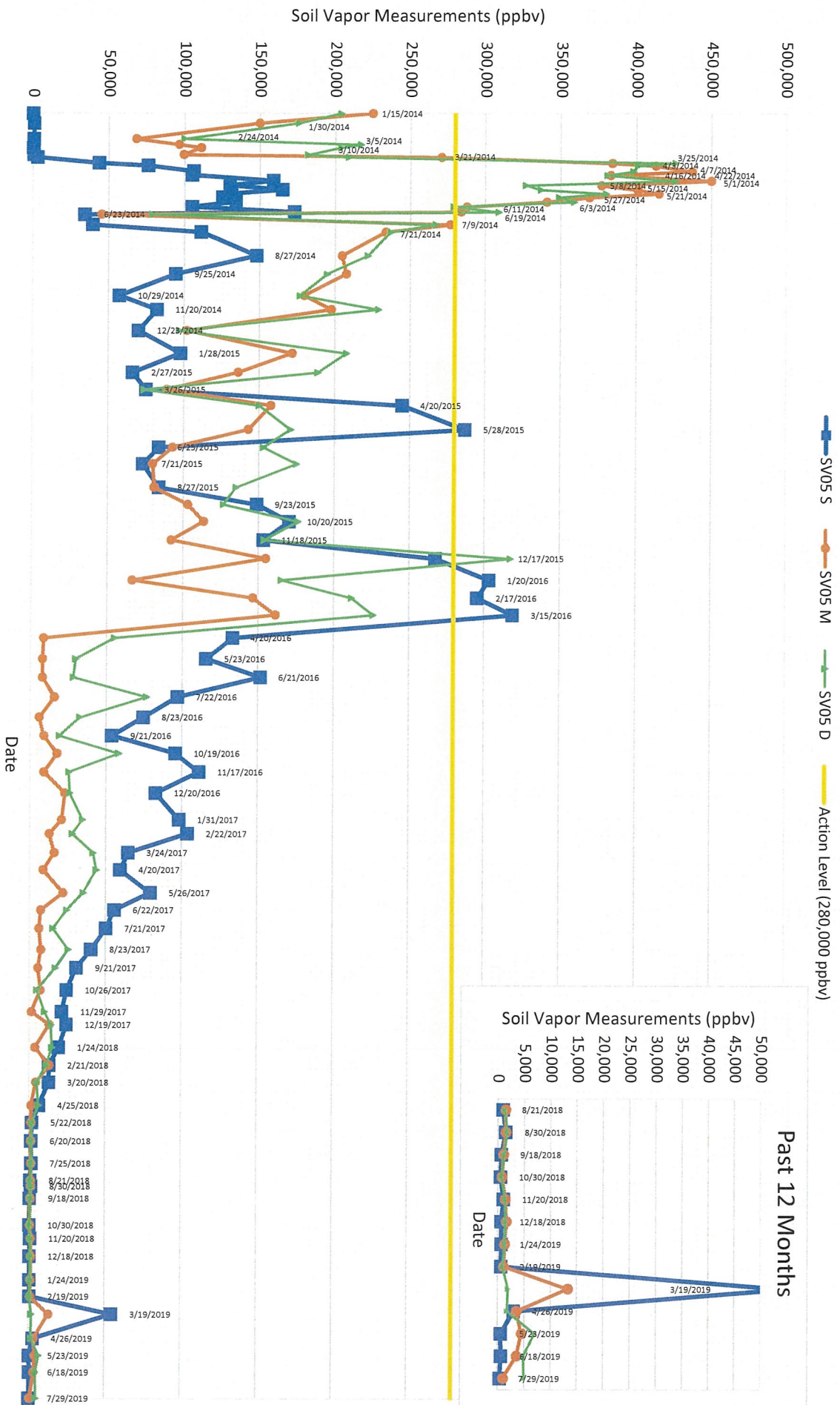
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV04 (F-24)



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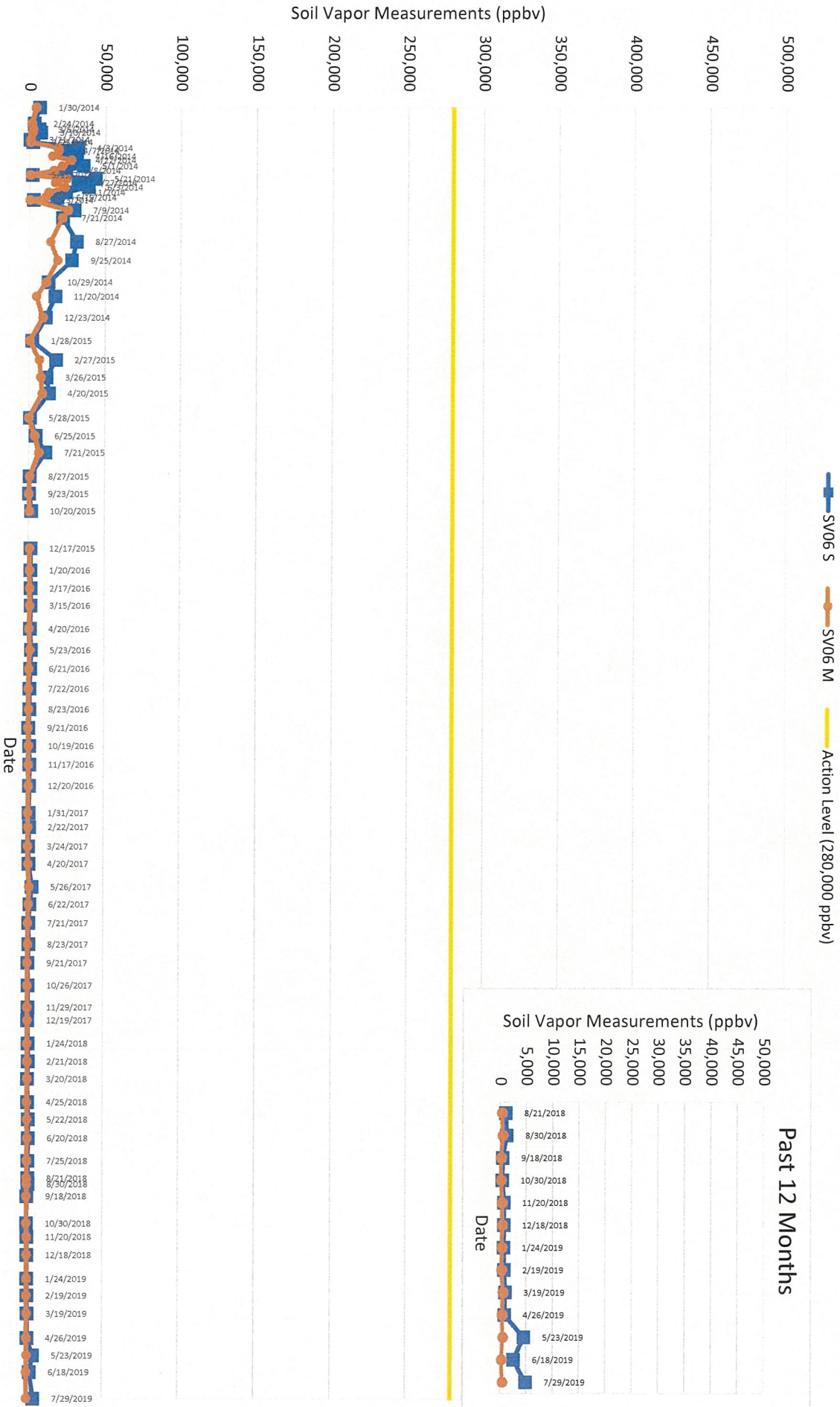
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV05 (F-24)



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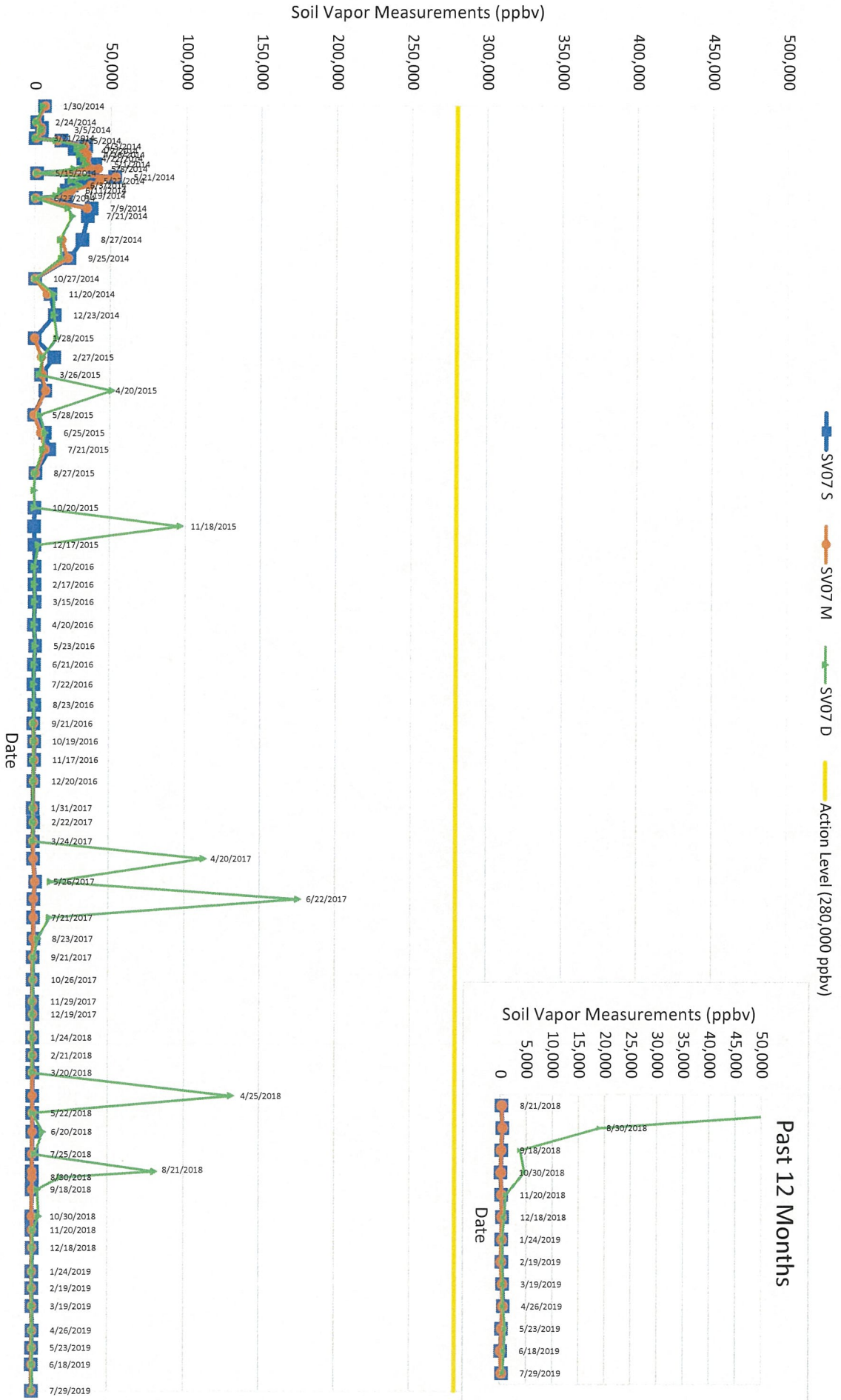
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV06 (F-24)



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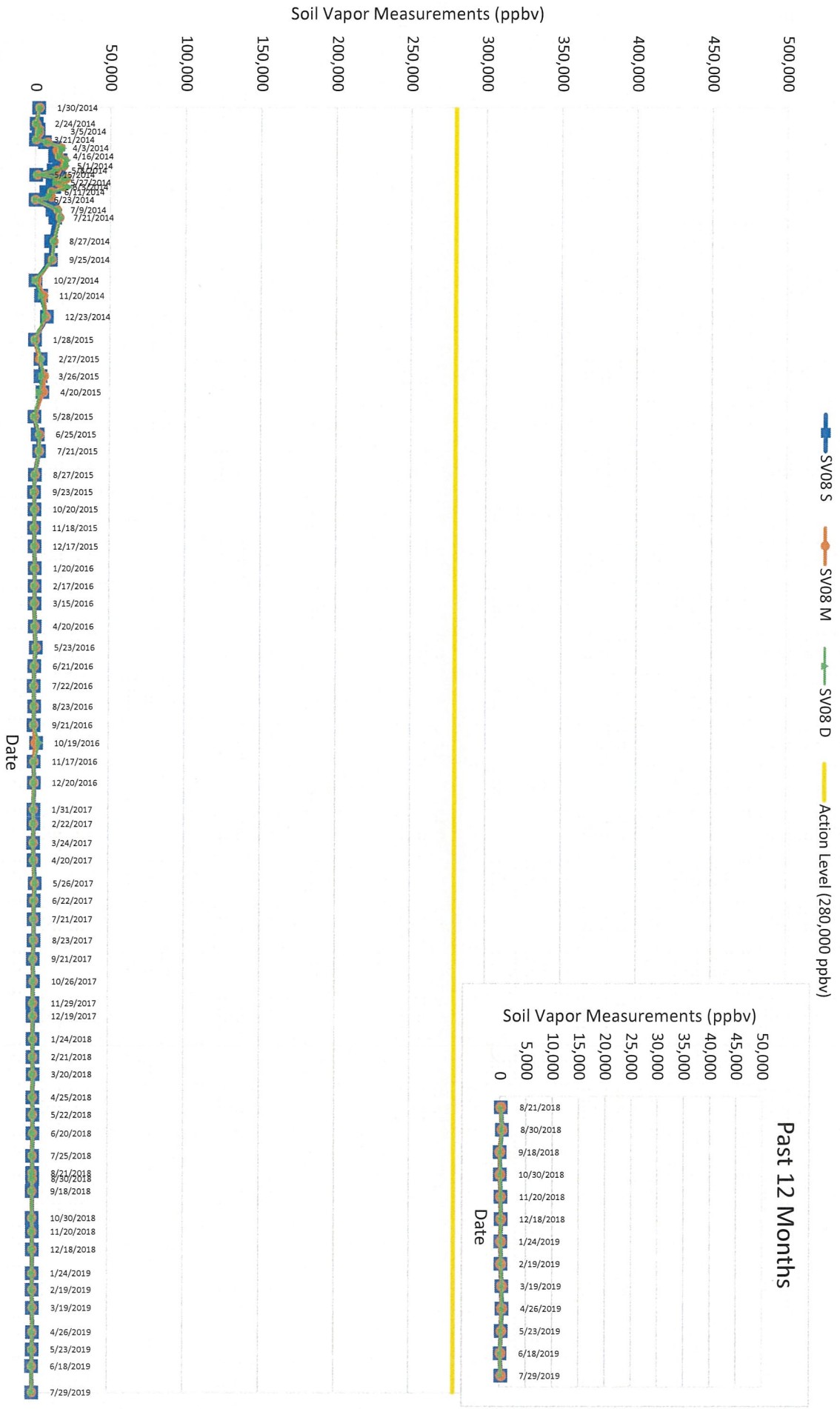
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV07 (JP-5)



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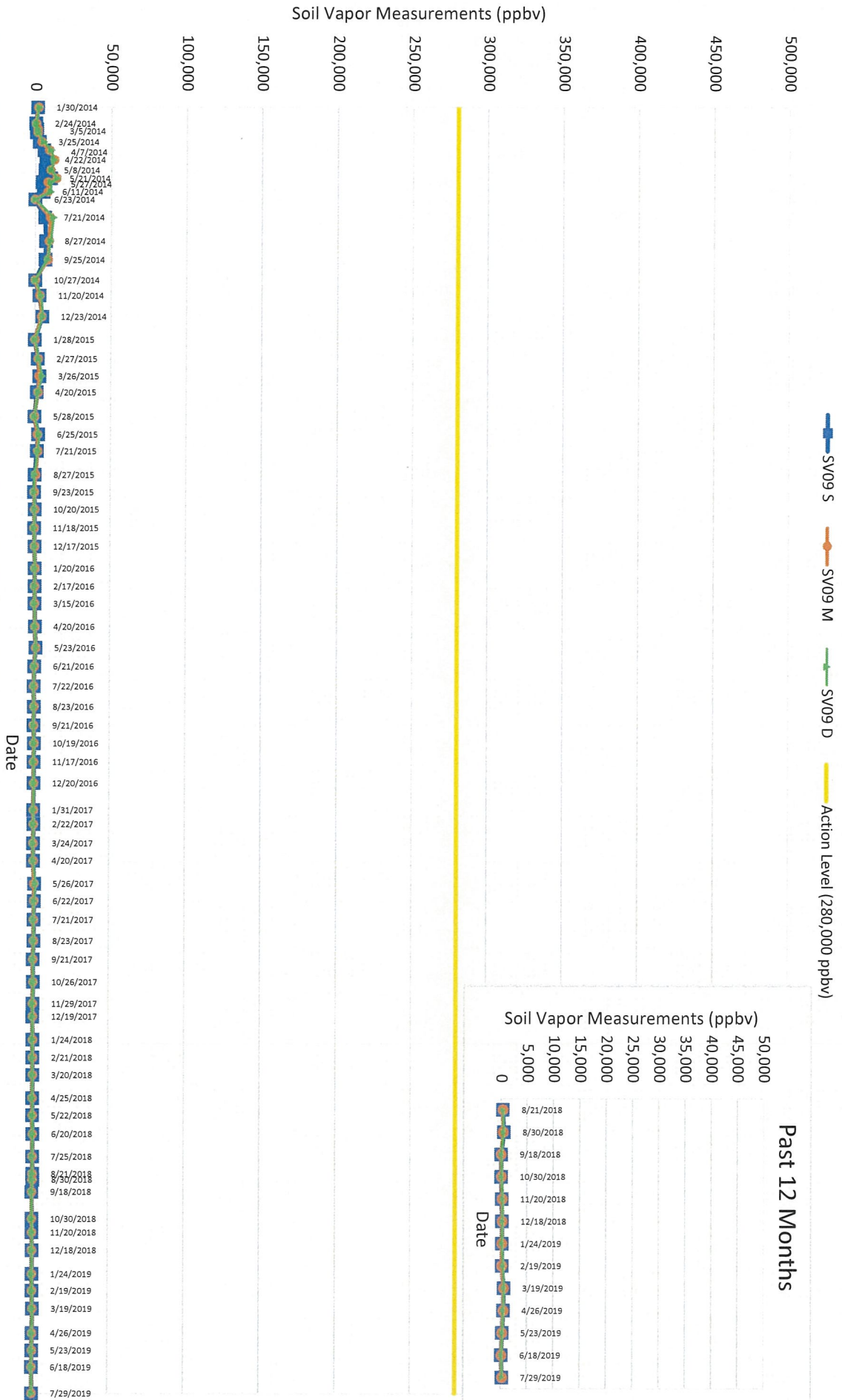
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV08 (JP-5)



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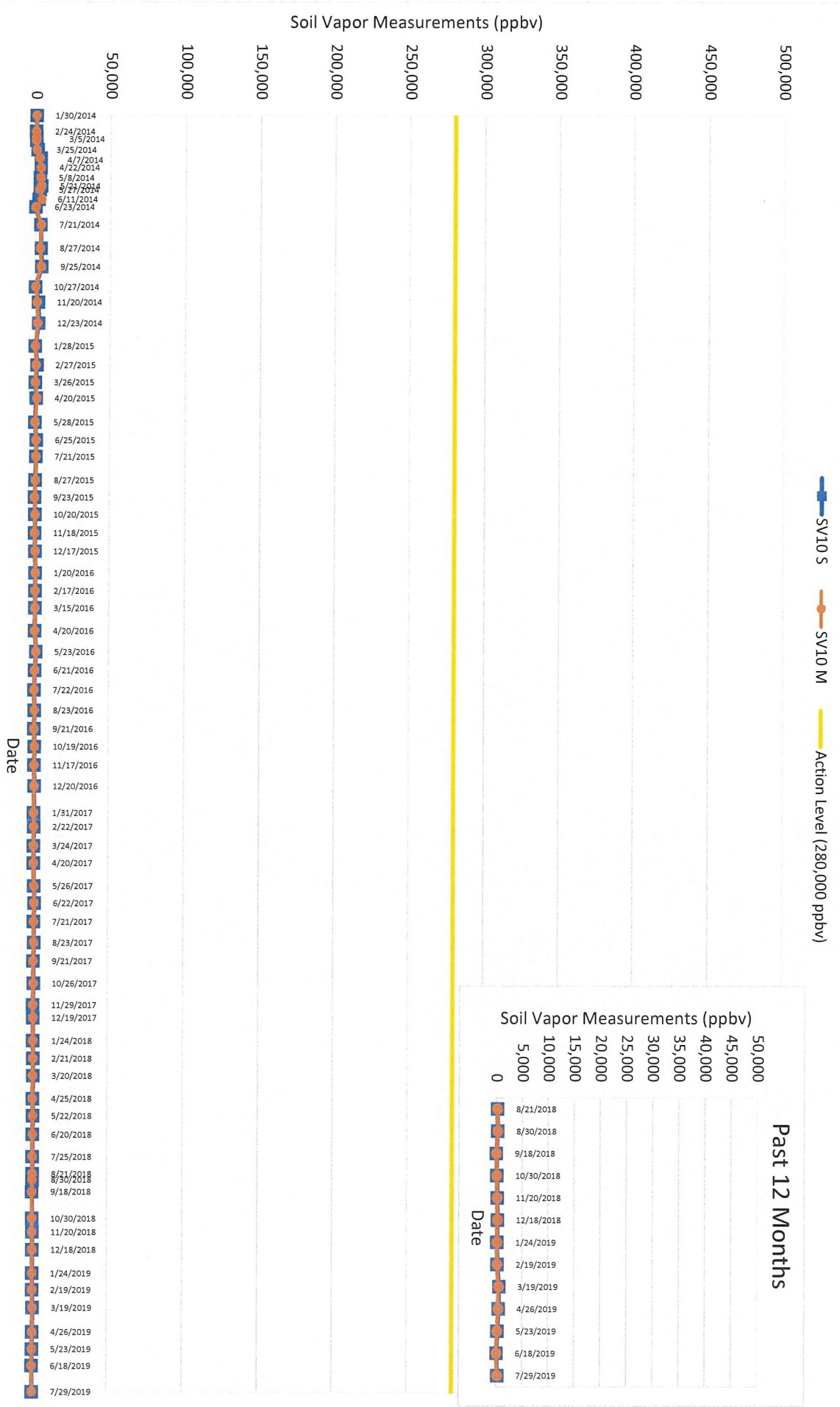
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV09 (JP-5)



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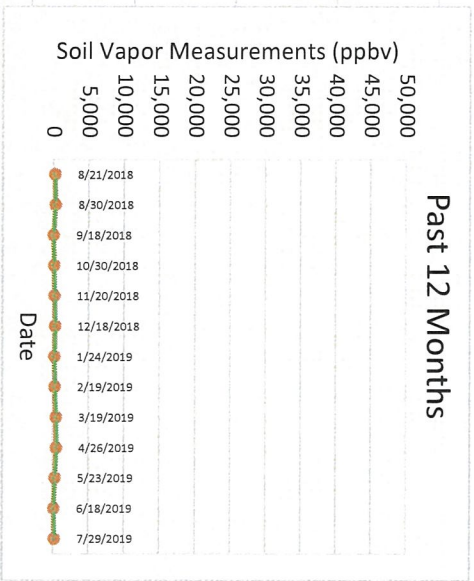
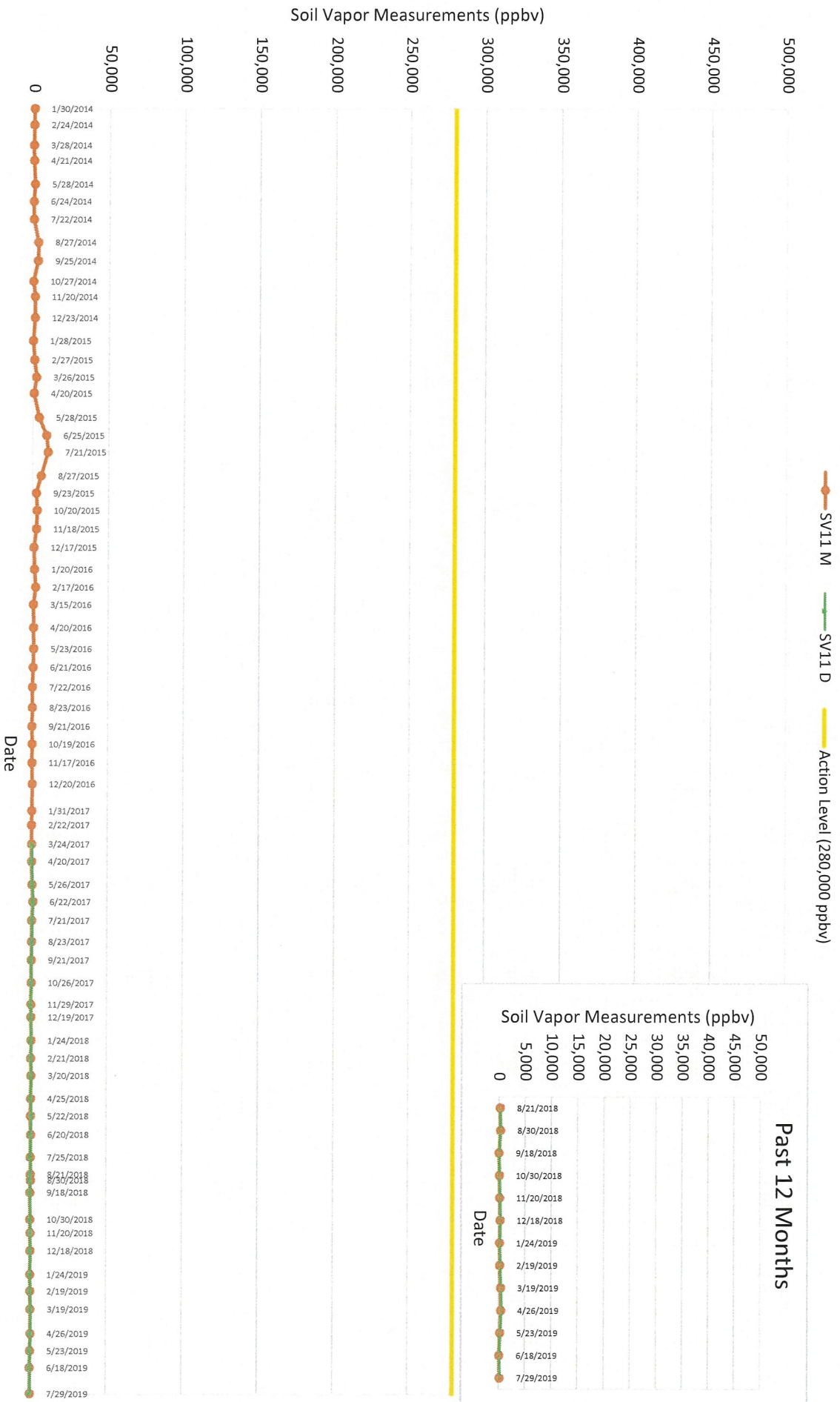
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV10 (JP-5)



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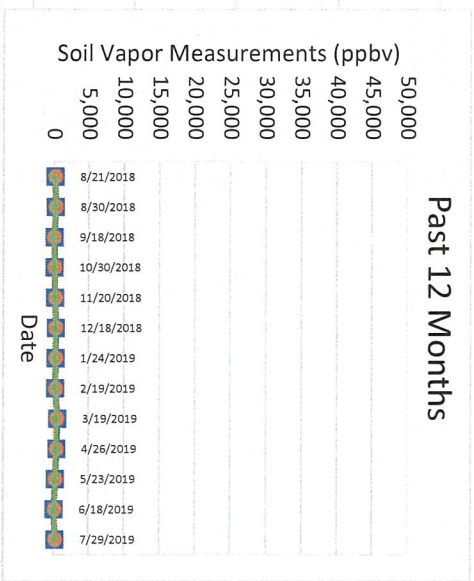
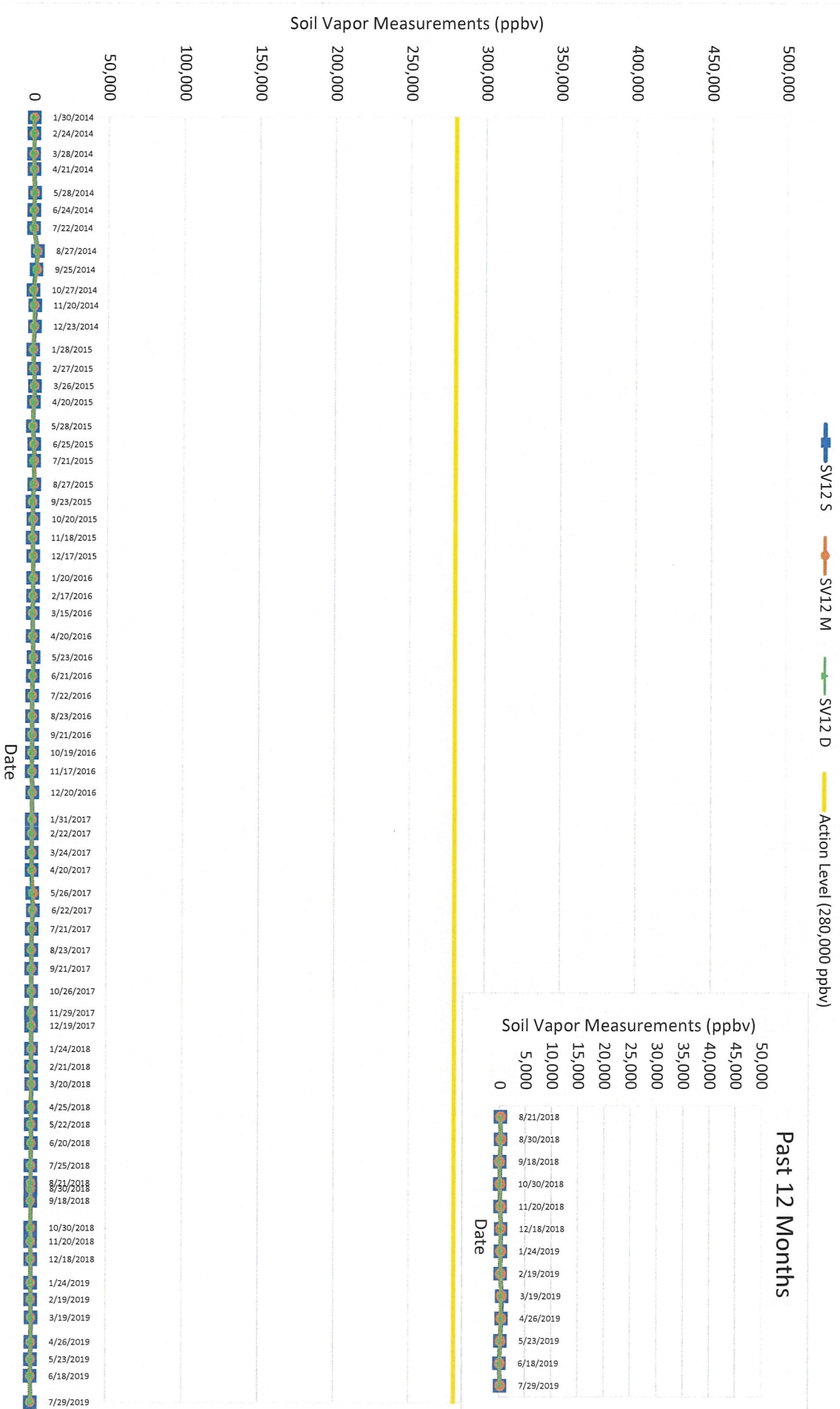
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV11 (JP-5)



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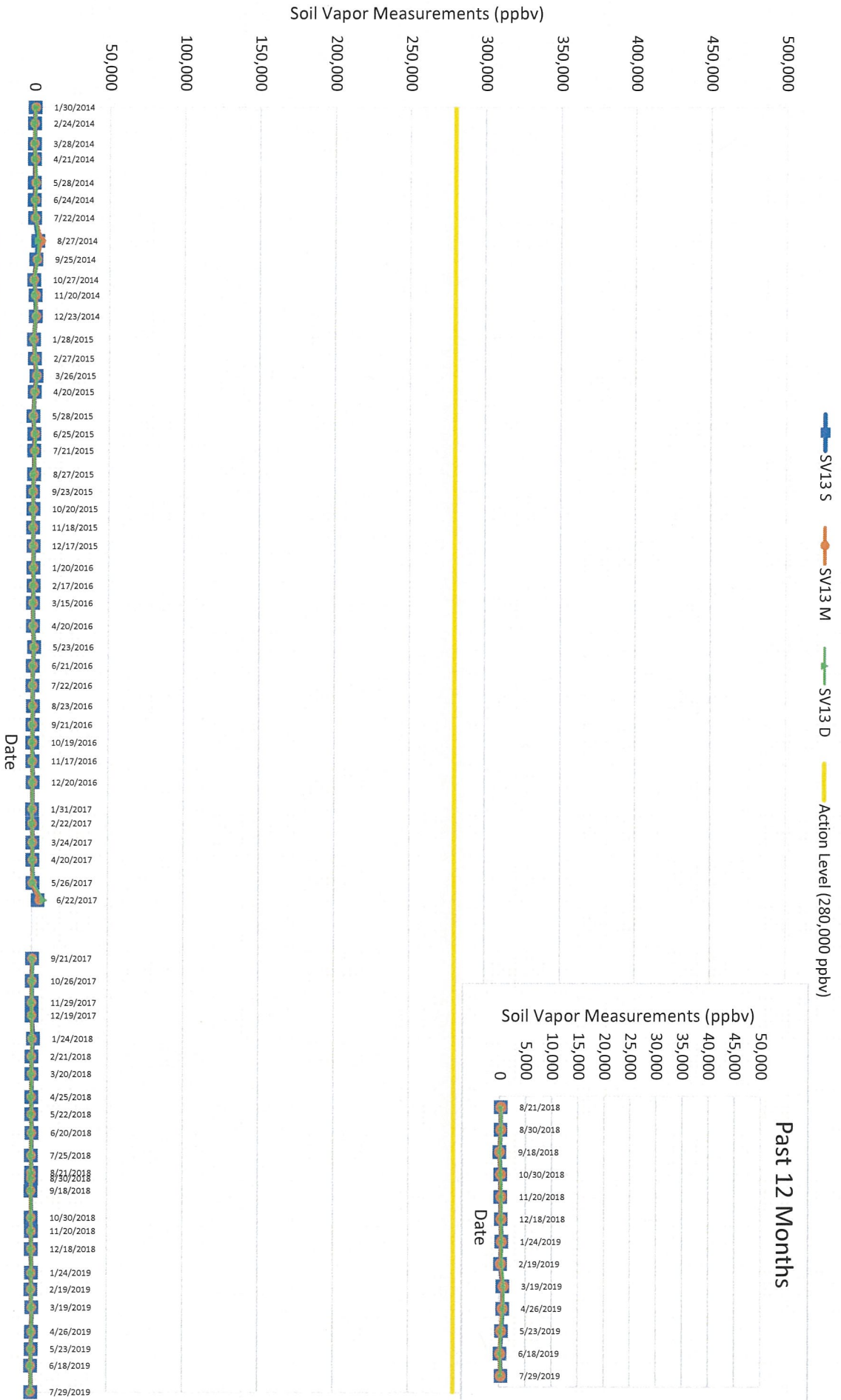
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV12 (JP-5)



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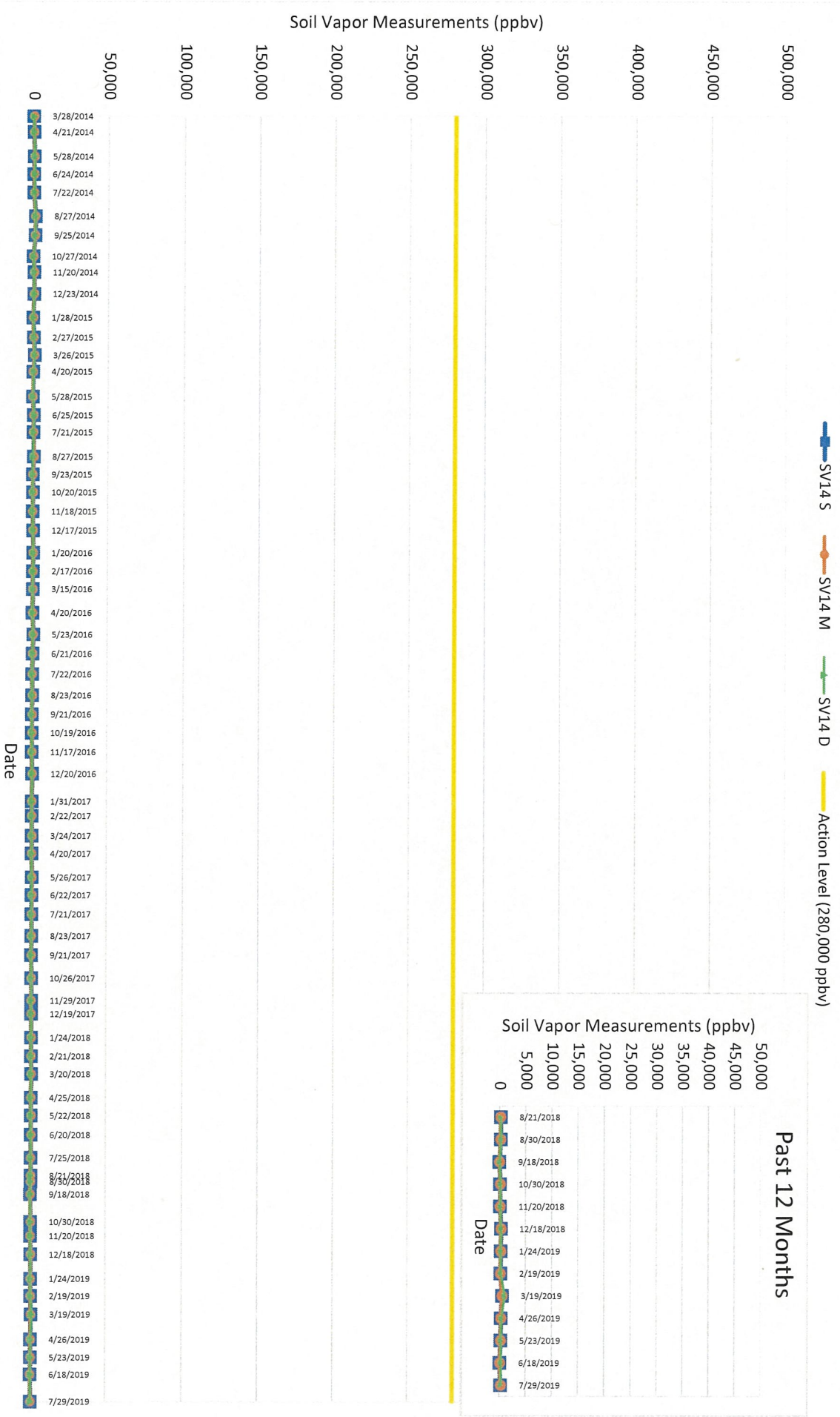
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV13 (JP-5)



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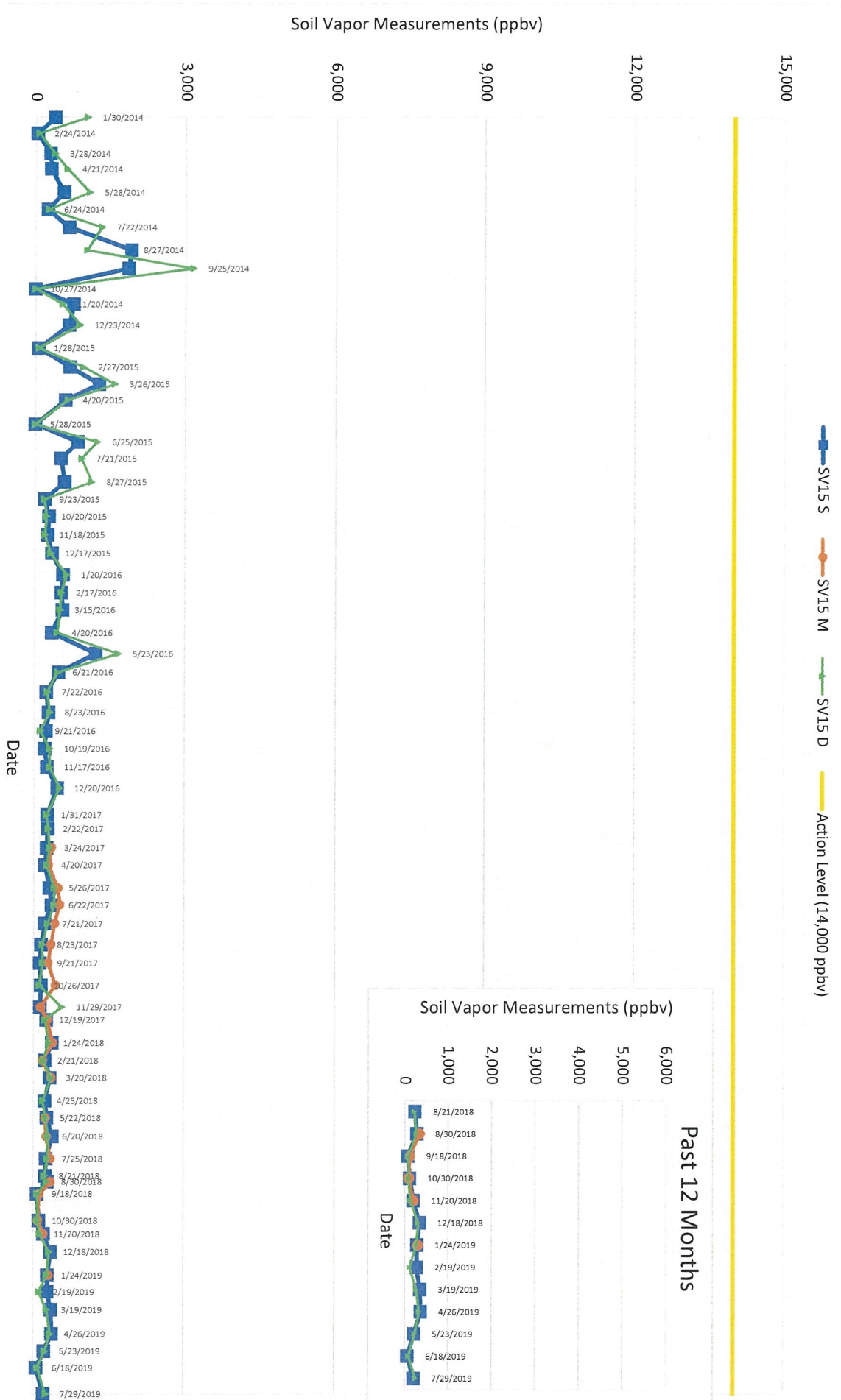
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV14 (JP-5)



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 F-76: Marine Diesel Fuel Number 76

Figure 14
Soil Vapor Measurements - SV15 (F-76)



Notes:
ppbv: Parts Per Billion by Volume
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Figure 15
Soil Vapor Measurements - SV16 (F-76)

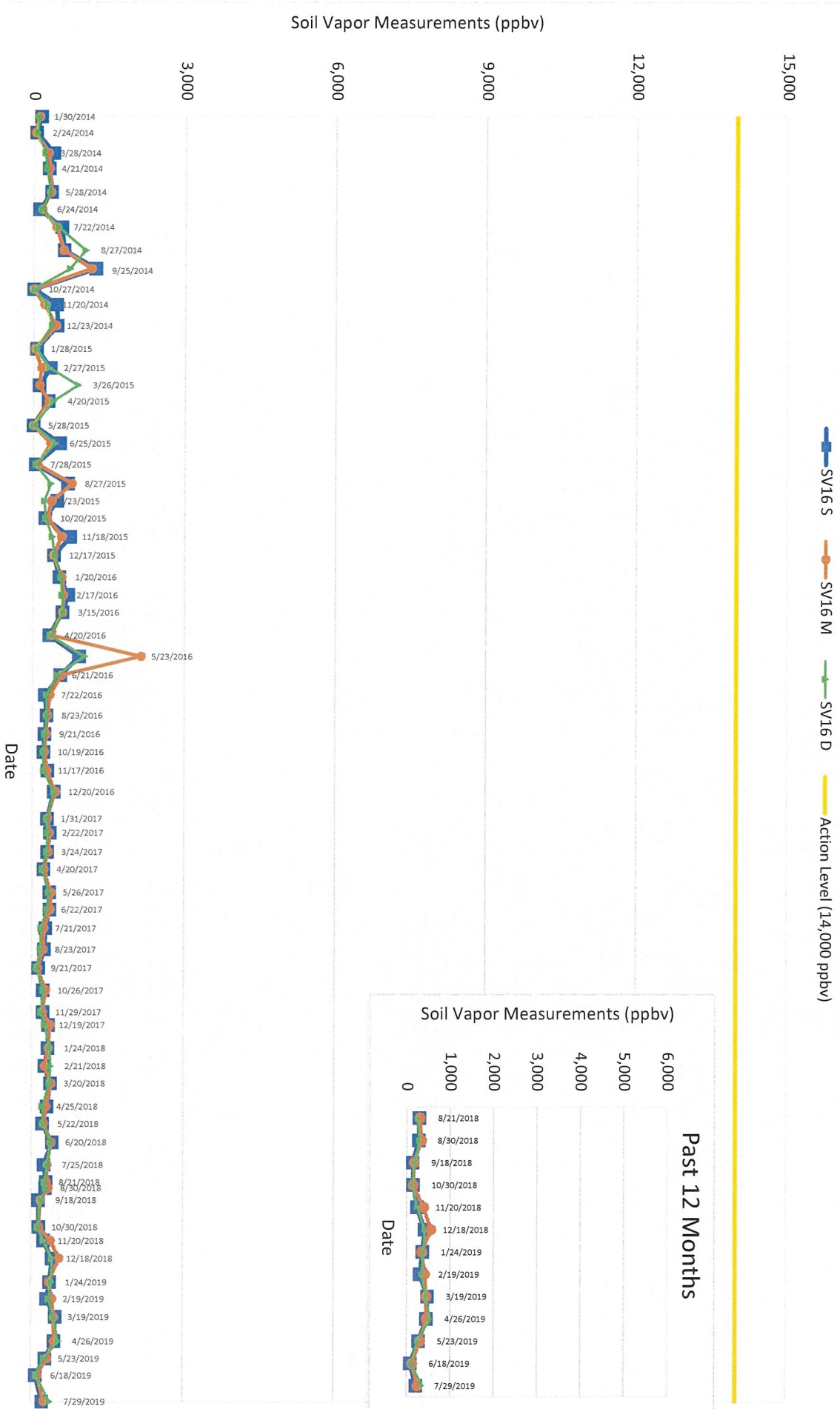
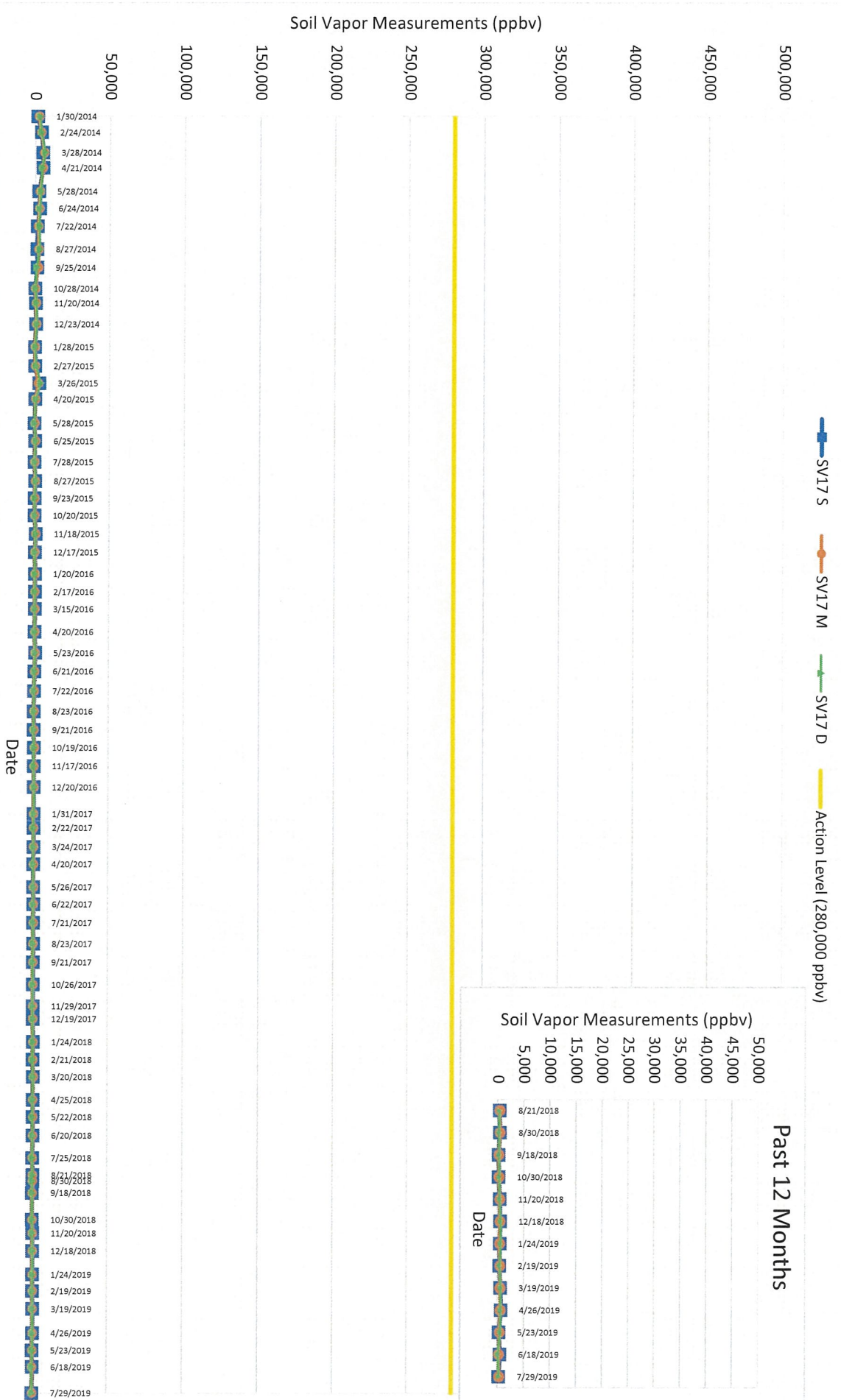


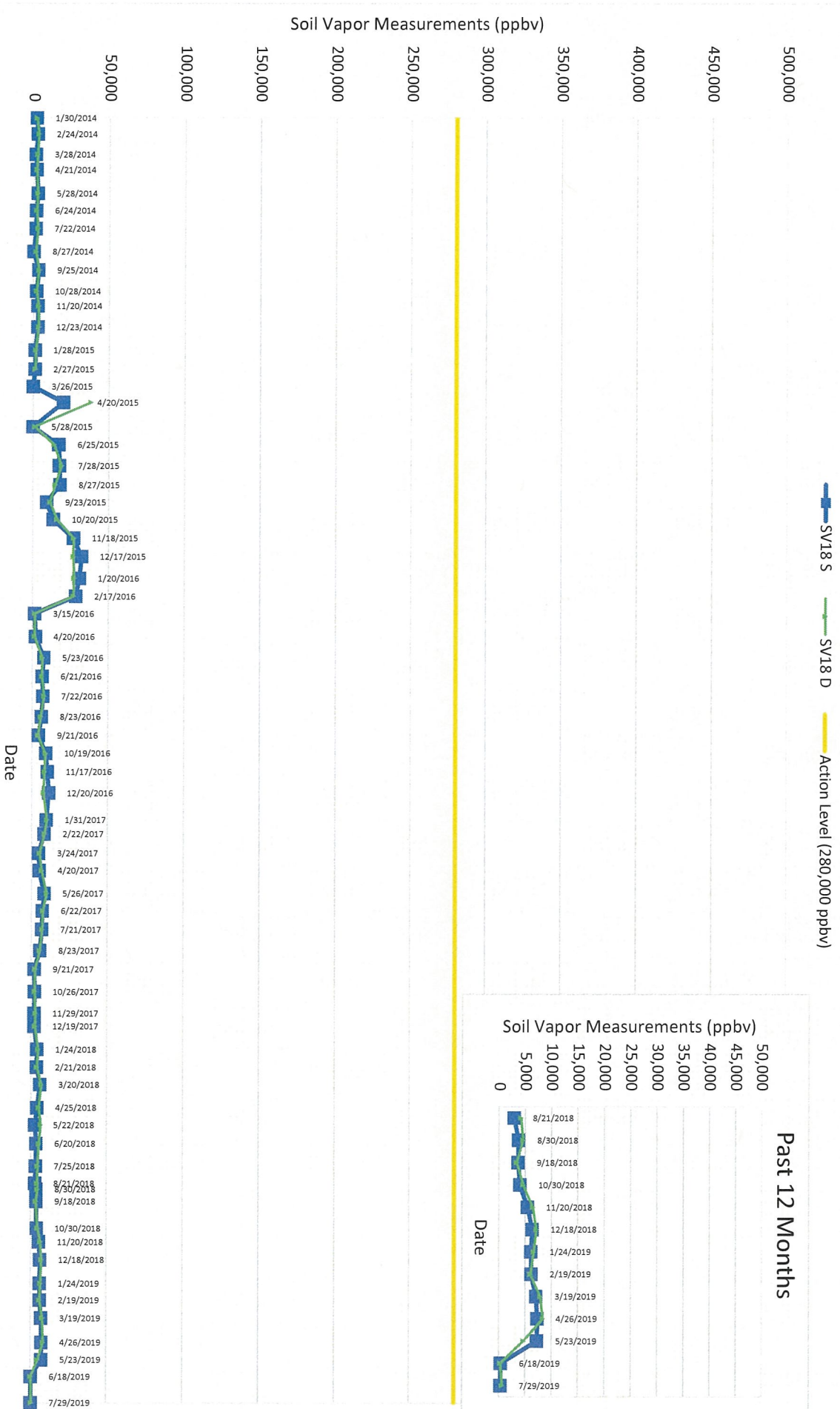
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV17 (JP-5)



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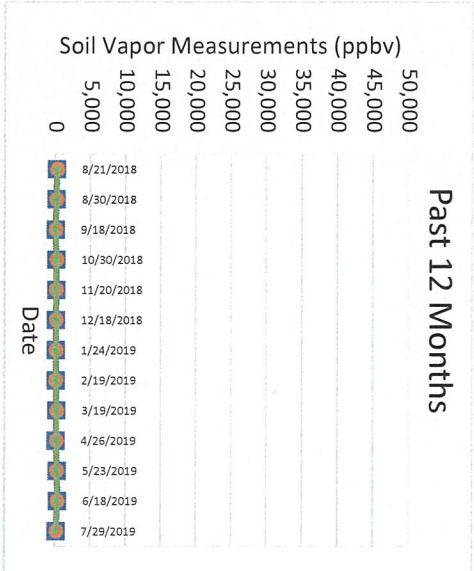
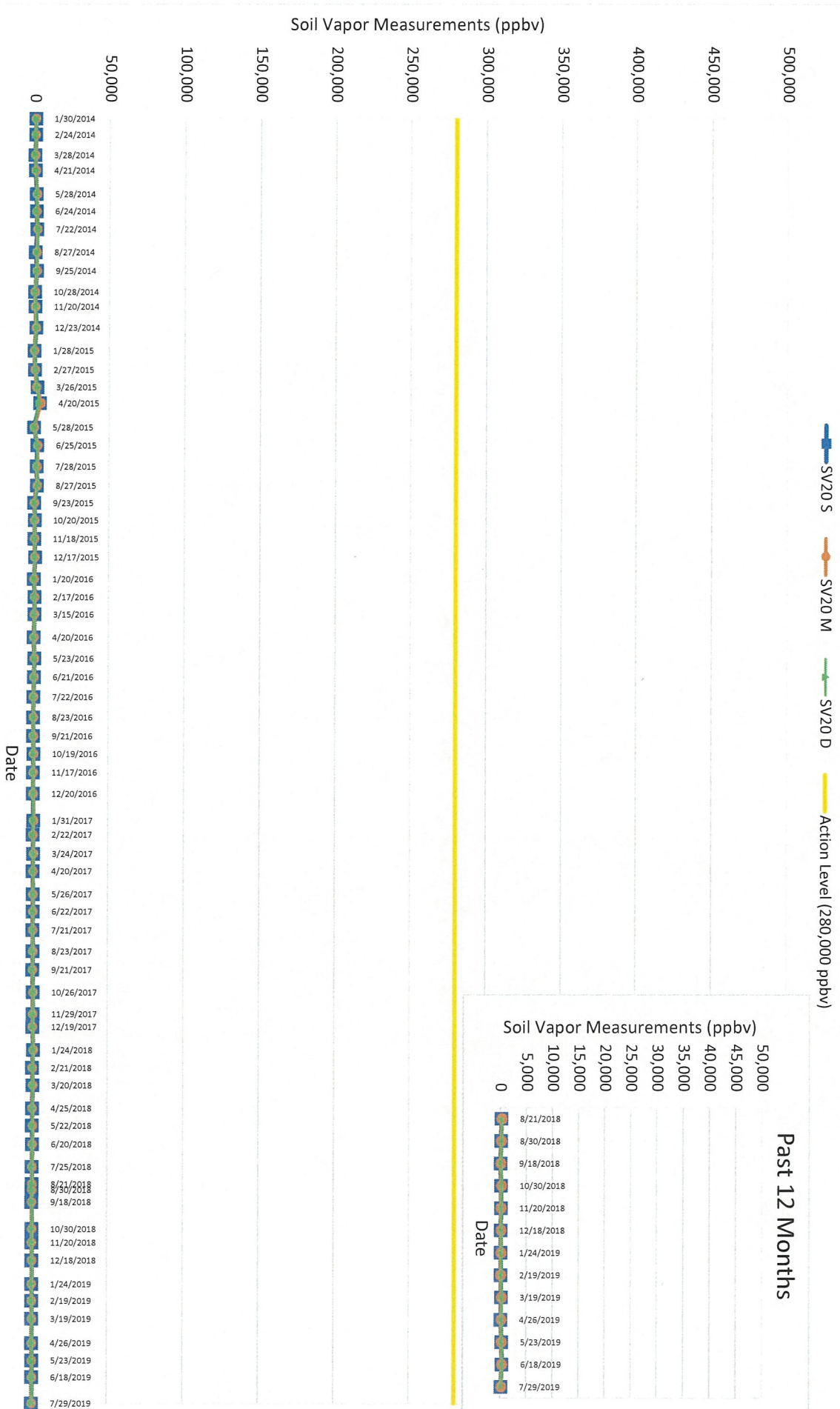
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Soil Vapor Measurements - SV18 (JP-5)



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F-76: Marine Diesel Fuel Number 76

Figure 18
Soil Vapor Measurements - SV20 (JP-5)



Notes:
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F-76: Marine Diesel Fuel Number 76

29 Aug 2019

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 JULY 2019

Ref: (a) Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility Groundwater Protection Plan
(b) Red Hill Soil Vapor Monitoring Report for Round 136, dtd 06 August 2019

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 at tanks 5 and 6
- Slight increase trends at tanks 3

2. FLCPH causative research and findings:

a. Reviewed all AFHE Unscheduled Fuel Movement (UFM) Alarm Summaries and UFM Reports. The following UFM's were recorded between sampling events 135 and 136 during the period of 18 June 2019 – 29 July 2019:

01-02 Jul - RH 2,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,15,16,18,and 20: System Analyst conducted a system command check, which caused the entire AFHE system to record multiple UFM alarms on all fuel tanks. No trouble ticket was issued and the System Analyst acknowledged all UFM alarms, and reset evolution to clear alarms for each effected tank.

08 Jul - RH 09: A Low UFM Alarm occurred with an evolution previously setup for a scheduled JP 5 issue. Cause was operator error due to the evolution start bar not being fully activated.

12 Jul - RH 02: A Low UFM Critical /Warning alarm occurred after completion of an evolution. Maintenance Technician verified UFM was a system error. Confirmed no release of fuel from the tank occurred.

15 Jul - RH 18: A Low UFM Warning Alarm/ Critical alarm occurred during a manual input. An evolution was created for this operation; however, the operator did not start the evolution and this resulted in an alarm. Operator error.

18 Jul - RH 09: A Low UFM Alarm occurred with an evolution previously setup for a scheduled JP 5 issue. Cause was operator error due to the evolution start bar not being fully activated.

b. Reviewed Red Hill Inventory Trend Analysis Reports for July 2019; reports did not reveal evidence of a loss of fuel in any Red Hill tank.

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SOIL VAPOR MONITORING REPORT FOR JULY 2019

- 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 is 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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