



# **VISUAL SURVEY DATA SYSTEM**

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# VSDS Core/Pilot Teams

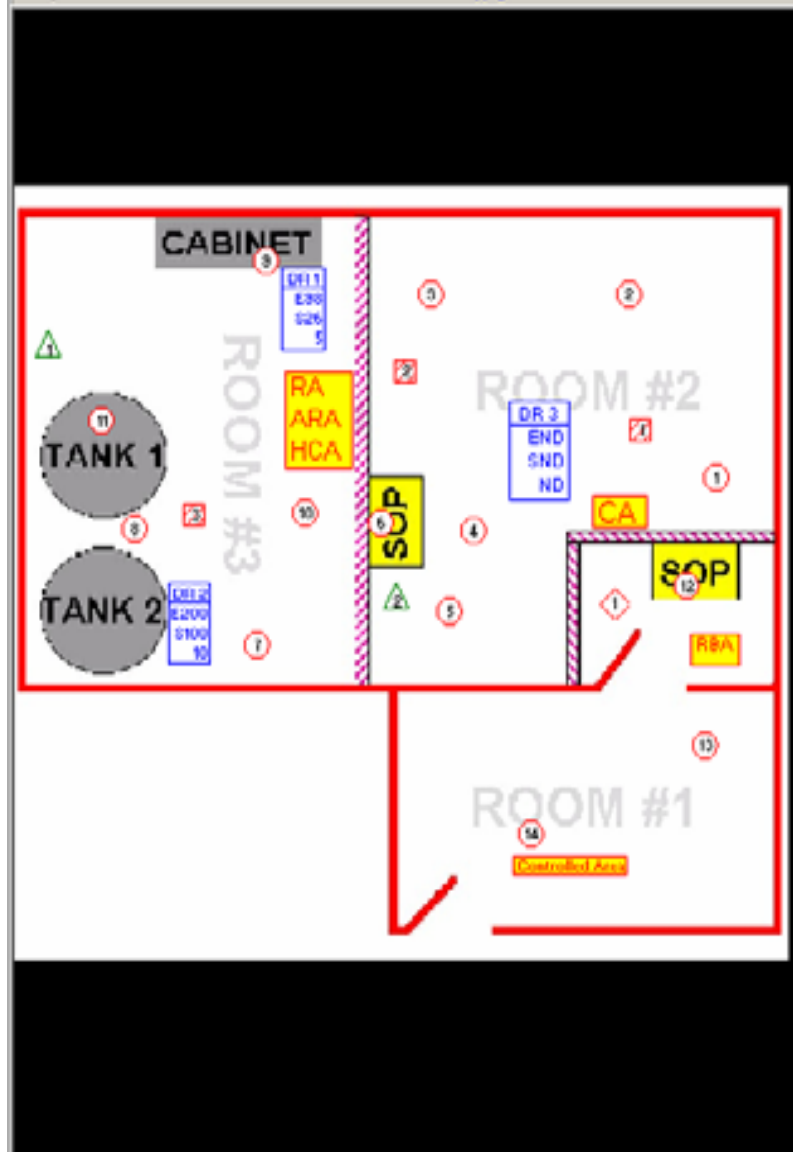
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- Tim Kerrigan
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- Mike Broome
  - Scott Craft

Radiological Objects Annotation Objects Symbols



Map: HCA\TRAINING MAPS\TRAINING MAP-002.jpg - TRAINING MAP-002



Survey Header Survey Details Additional Info

Survey # M-030305-4  
 Surveyor Scott Craft  
 Date 03/03/2005 16:21 Time Cal  
 RVP # 05TRNG005  
 Document #  
 Reference pages

Survey Type  
☒ Standard Survey Type Monthly ☐ Hot Particle  
☐ Other ☐ Beta Detected

No.	Instrument Model	Instrument Serial Number	Probe Model	Probe Serial Number	Radionuclide
1	HandeCount	2364	X	X	
2	Ludlum 110	6598	X	X	
3	Ludlum AC3	A0005	X	X	
4	RO-20	0655	X	X	

Counted by: STC  
 Count Date Time Cal



**Air Sample Details**

Survey Number:  Air Sample Number:

Air Sample Type:  Motor Pump Serial #:  Sample Media:  Respirator Type:

**Run Times**

#	Start	End
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Total Run Time:

**Flow Rate**

Start Flow Rate:

End Flow Rate:

Flow Units:

Average Flow Rate:

**Sample Volume**

☐ Manual Entry Total Volume:   (Volume Units)

**Screening Results**

Reading Type	Value	Units	Date/Time
▶ Initial Alpha	350	CPM	01/01/2005 10:02
Final Alpha	100	CPM	01/01/2005 11:02
Initial Beta/Gamma	2500	CPM	01/01/2005 10:02
Final Beta/Gamma	2485	CPM	01/01/2005 11:02

**Nuclide Information**

#	Nuclide/Energy	Value	Error	Units
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# VSDS – What It Is

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- COTS Software to document radiological surveys
- Designed by HPs
- Originally written for nuclear power industry
- Runs on multiple hardware & system types
- Newer versions have features for the DOE world
- Utilizes digital images
- Data captured in a relational database
- Electronic approvals



# VSDS - Strengths

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- Allows digital images of floor plans and pictures of equipment and spaces
- Templates allow survey repeatability
- Built in trending of routine surveys
- Electronic approvals
- Retrieval of past surveys
- Data accessible for reports/studies



# VSDS - Drawbacks

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- Significant culture change
  - Some COTS features not changeable
  - New format
  - New symbols
  - Not all inspectors PC literate
- IT support costs
- Additional computers needed
- Already had a nice FileMaker program





# Why We Chose VSDS

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- Survey point repeatability and trending
- Automatic, legible, paperless records
- Scales for site-wide use
- Future enhancements – data logging and remote operation
- Other DOE Sites already using VSDS
- MJW willing to make selected changes
- Avoids custom software programming and maintenance with limited IT resources



# Changes We Requested

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- Multiple maps (images)
- Multiple surveyors
- Expanded choices of measurement types and radionuclides
- Tritium symbols
- Initial/Final Probe
- Air sampler Serial No.
- Manual instrument entry
- Multiple instruments per inspector
- Larger main comment field and additional fields
- Survey title field
- Attachments in pdf
- Automatic pdf to external directory
- More control via the configuration file



# Implementation Strategy

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- Small core team (5)
- RadCon, HP, IT(2), Management
- Every major area has a lead person
- Separate procedure for electronic surveys
- Training/User Guide, Communication Materials & Startup Checklist
- Pilot in two facilities
- Rollout over 6 months
- Publicity to keep up interest
- Track training and rollouts to maintain consistency
- RadCon management progress reports



# IT Implementation

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- Areas, bldgs. and structures are grouped into 23 "Facilities"
- Six VSIDS databases on one server
- Installation over the site network
- Security by Windows Log-On password
- Long-term, part time IT support



# Pilots – The Leads

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- Learn the VSDS product
- Develop pilot startup schedule
- Develop training packages (→Training)
- Develop catalog of images/maps (→Protocol)
- Train key personnel
- Oversee/finish remaining training
- Run the pilot
- Be the “Go-To” Person



# Records

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- Approved surveys are locked
- Multiple inspectors – check box
- Automatic pdf to external directory
- Automatic routing for security review (Lotus Notes)
- Automatic routing to site records (Lotus Notes)



- Repeatable routine surveys – templates
- Easy, meaningful trending
- Prepared drawings/pictures usually make locating data more accurate
- Pictures clarify complicated situations
- Legibility



## ALARA Cont'd

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- Fewer mistakes with less review
- Ready access to past surveys
  - Faster research by work planners, RWP writers, ALARA Coordinators and engineers
  - Faster research for incident investigation
- Data available for performance indicators and technical studies