GROUTING

Why?

- · Protect the valuable ground water resource and aquifer
- Prevent migration of contaminants down hole after boring completed or well installed (protect sample integrity and quality)
- Avoid possibility of monetary fines or loss of drilling license or both

How?

- Re-entry grouting especially for single tube soil sampling activities
- Pressure grouting through primary rod string SP15 or SP16 sampler, expendable dipole used in electrical logging. Injection of materials for remediation, etc.
- Bottom-up tramie grouting following dual tube soil sampling or monitoring well installation, may also be used with SP15 and SP16.

Grout Mixes: Some advantages and limitations.

Bentonite Slurries

- Relatively inexpensive and easy to mix
- Generally mixed at 20% to 30% solids by weight
- Can provide grout seals with hydraulic conductivity < $1X10^{-7}$ cm/sec
- Recommend use of powdered bentonite to prepare slurries for use through small diameter tremie tubes
- · Bentonite may be susceptible to desiccation by NAPLs, especially chlorinated VOCs
- In dry climates bentonite above the saturated zone my dry out and crack providing voids and pathways for rapid movement of fluids down hole.

- Widely available
- Does not dry out in unsaturated soil like bentonite
- Shrinks on setting and may form pathways for movement of fluids due to this behavior under some conditions.
- If large volumes of cement used the heat of reaction may actually damage well casing.
- · High chloride/sulfate content in ground water may result in poor setting of cement

Cement + Bentonite

- Used to minimize shrinkage of neat cement grouts
- Usually added in proportions of 3% to 7% bentonite by weight.
- Often considered to compromise the quality of the cement grout.

Specialty Cements - e.g. sulfate tolerant for high sulfate waters

Other



${ m G}{ m routing}{ m I}$ njection Tools (for use through rod string)	РC	Part No
High-Pressure Grout Hose Assembly, 10 ft. (3 m)	GS	GS1051
Injection Pull Cap, for 1.5 in. probe rods	GS	16698
Injection Pull Cap, for 1.25 in. probe rods	GS	16697
Grout Pressure Gauge/Ball Valve Assembly	GS	GS1090
Grout Hose Holder, magnetic	GS	GS1095



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