

TECHNICAL SPECIALTIES

Environmental Litigation; Site Investigation and Remediation; Wetland Delineation; Ecosystem Health; Emerging Contaminants.

EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

Four years of experience: Project Scientist, Staff Scientist, and Staff Assistant Scientist at Roux Environmental Engineering and Geology, D.P.C.

CREDENTIALS

M.S., Environmental Toxicology, University of Maryland, 2018

B.A., Biological Sciences, Rutgers University, 2016

B.A., Marine Science, Rutgers University, 2016

Wetland Delineation Certificate, 2021

OSHA 40-hour HAZWOPER Training, 2019

OSHA 8-hour Refresher Training, Certificate Current

OSHA 30-hour Construction Safety Training, 2019

Loss Prevention System (LPS) Awareness,
8-Hour Certified

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry (SETAC)

KEY PROJECTS

Litigation Support

- **Evaluation of Fate and Transport:** Provided support to Expert Witness for an evaluation of an auto salvage yard in Chula Vista, California. Case involved petroleum and chlorinated solvent contamination discovered adjacent to 410-acre landfill and a 364-acre residential development during the construction of a roadway. Assisted in preparation of an Expert Report, Rebuttal Report, and a Crossclaim Expert Report regarding contaminant fate and transport, hydrogeologic evaluation, and reasonableness of certain construction and remedial costs related to the discovery of petroleum contamination in multiple perched aquifers.
- **Categorization of Past Environmental Response Costs and Source Evaluation:** Provided support to the Expert Witness in evaluation of over \$1M in past environmental response costs related to alleged release from automobile salvage yard in Chula Vista, California. Reviewed historical operations and environmental impacts of neighboring properties and site hydrogeology to evaluate sources of perched groundwater contamination.
- **Evaluation of Past Environmental Response:** Provided support to the Expert Witness in an insurance litigation settlement regarding petroleum contamination at a private home in Nassau County, New York. Evaluated historic documents to

determine effectiveness of past environmental responses and rationality of anticipated future environmental costs.

- **Evaluation of Past Environmental Response Costs and Potential Liability:** Evaluated past environmental response costs incurred and potential liability on behalf of an insurance carrier of a potential responsible party (PRP) participating in a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study on an industrial waterway in Washington, D.C. Completed historic file review and provided support on potential past and future costs to inform an insurance carrier.
- **Categorization of Past Environmental Response Costs and Alternatives Analysis:** Provided support to Expert Witness in an insurance litigation case regarding the evaluation of past and future costs for the investigation and remediation of a 230-acre site in Minnesota with contamination due to past railroad, wood treating, and drum reconditioning operations. Responsibilities included the review and organization of over 20,000 documents, past cost categorization, and alternatives analysis.
- **Evaluation of Past Environmental Response Costs and Potential Liability:** Provided support to Expert Witness for insurance litigation case regarding the recovery of past environmental response costs in connection with past ammunition manufacturing, chemical manufacturing, and waste disposal facilities at 43,500-acre site in Illinois. Evaluated Potential Responsible Party (PRP) liability and completed past cost categorization.
- **Categorization of Ordinary Business Operating Costs:** Provided support to Expert Witness in evaluation and categorization of over \$1B of alleged past environmental response costs in connection with multiple coal ash ponds across 15 sites. Assisted with the review and past cost categorization of approximately 5,000 invoices and technical documents.
- **Allocation Model Support:** Provided technical strategy/consulting on behalf of a potential responsible party (PRP) participating in a Federal Superfund Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study (RI/FS) at an industrial waterway in Brooklyn, New York. Technical responsibilities included historical file review and litigation support for the purpose of creating a model to assign PRP liability.
- **Toxic Tort Chemical Exposure Evaluation:** Provided technical support to Expert Witness by evaluating potential adverse health outcomes associated with alleged exposure to asbestos-contaminated talc. Completed a literature review of epidemiological evaluations to support opinion on

general causation and association with mesothelioma and ovarian cancer.

- **Toxic Tort Air Pollutant Exposure Evaluation:** Provided litigation support for class action lawsuit regarding alleged exposure to ethylene oxide in air. Assisted in the literature review and dose/response evaluations.

Site Investigation and Remediation

- Field Manager for NIOSH 5040 Diesel Particulate Matter (DPM) Sampling at railyard in Manhattan, New York. Responsibilities included quarterly sampling events and reporting.
- Field Manager for several sites throughout the five boroughs of New York City and Long Island where due diligence Phase II Environmental Site Assessments were completed for real estate transactions. Responsibilities included groundwater, soil vapor, and soil sampling as well as assisting in report preparation.
- Site Safety Officer for various remedial investigation sites. Responsibilities included preparation of health and safety plans (HASPs), job safety analysis (JSA) documents development and review, onsite safety meeting management, safety document preparation (Lessons Learned, Near Loss, Field Audits, etc.), and planning/execution of corrective actions.
- Field Manager for annual groundwater sampling monitoring program at a former petroleum refinery and terminal in Brooklyn, New York. This work was done to monitor the largest subsurface free-product plume in North America. Field work responsibilities included the sampling of over fifty wells for petroleum contaminated groundwater using multiple sampling methods. Groundwater samples were analyzed for VOCs, SVOCs, Metals, Total Dissolved Solids, Nitrate, Sulfate and TPH.
- Field Manager for bi-annual soil vapor monitoring event to monitor the largest subsurface free-product plume in North America at a former fuel and oil distribution terminal in Brooklyn, NY. Activities included the collection of soil vapor and ambient air samples from on-site and off-site soil vapor points.

Wetland Delineation and Ecological Support Services

- Project Manager for an ecological evaluation of a 50-acre site including evaluation and reporting on terrestrial resources, endangered species, significant, sensitive, and designated resources, aquatic resources, wetlands functions and values, and submerged aquatic vegetation. Completed wetland delineation and field surveys and sampled for benthic communities in support of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

- Project Manager for threatened and endangered species evaluation of a 754-acre park in Montauk, New York in support of well decommissioning activities.
- Field Manager for wetland delineation of a 200-acre wooded property in Providence County, Rhode Island. Assisted in preparation of summary wetland report for a redevelopment project.
- Field Manager for land management activities for wildlife enhancement projects at a former fibers facility in Williamsburg, VA. Project components include wildlife monitoring surveys for bats, birds, amphibians, reptiles, mammals and insects. Wildlife projects implemented include creation of pollinator meadow areas, warm season grasslands, sustainable forestry management, purple martin colony, blue bird trail, bat housing, native bee housing, and vernal pool monitoring. Wildlife Habitat Council Wildlife at Work certification earned for wildlife projects.
- Field Manager for the nontidal wetland delineation at a 720-acre former industrial facility along the Delaware River in Belvidere, N.J. Responsible for preparing field documents and assisting in performing the tidal wetland delineation, collection of GPS points, and development of post delineation reports and figures.
- Field Manager for the tidal wetland delineation of a series of properties in Howard Beach, NY. Responsible for preparing field documents and assisting in performing the tidal wetland delineation, collection of GPS points, and development of post delineation reports and figures.
- Field Manager for the tidal wetland delineation of a golf course in Hewlett, NY. Responsible for wetland delineation, preparing field documents, collection of GPS points, and development of post delineation report and figure.

CONFERENCES, PUBLICATIONS, & PRESENTATIONS

- J. Rohrer, R. Maxwell, M. Nishibayashi, R. Henke, and S. Edmonds. Microplastics: Coming Soon to a Well Near You? NGWA Groundwater Week '22 (Dec.).
- S. Edmonds, R. Henke, R. Maxwell, and J. Rohrer. California and Beyond: A Survey of State and Federal Approaches to Microplastic Regulations. Poster for SETAC NA, 43rd Annual Meeting, Nov. 2022.
- R. Henke, S. Edmonds, R. Maxwell, and J. Rohrer. Microplastics: A Survey of State Approaches to Microplastic Research and Regulation. Poster for: Battelle 12th International Conference on the Remediation of Chlorinated and Recalcitrant Compounds, May 2022.