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We anticipate start on the field effort for this project on November 17, 2003. If you have any questions regarding this material, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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LIST OF ACRONYMS

AAL	Rhode Island Ambient Air Limit
ACOE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
ARAR	Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirement
AVS	Acid Volatile Sulfides
AWQC	Ambient Water Quality Criteria
B&RE	Brown & Root Environmental
CAD	Contained Aquatic Disposal
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act
COC	Contaminant of Concern
CT	Central Tendency
DAF	Dissolved Air Flotation
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ERA	Marine Ecological Risk Assessment
ER-L	Effects Range-Low: NOAA Adverse Effects Benchmark Value For Sediment
ER-M	Effects Range-Median: NOAA Adverse Effects Benchmark Value For Sediment
FFA	Federal Facilities Interagency Agreement
FS	Feasibility Study
FWENC	Foster Wheeler Environmental Corporation
GRA	General Response Action
HHRA	Human Health Risk Assessment
HI	Hazard Index Ratio
IAS	Initial Assessment Study
IEUBK	Integrated Exposure and Uptake Biokinetic Model
IRP	Installation Restoration Program
IU/BK	Integrated Uptake/Biokinetic Model
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level
mg/kg	milligram per kilogram
mg/l	milligram per liter
MLW	Mean Low Water Level
NCP	National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan
NETC	Naval Education and Training Center
NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NORTHDIV	Northern Division
NPL	National Priorities List

LIST OF ACRONYMS (Continued)

NS	Nearshore
O&M	Operation and Maintenance
OS	Offshore
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PAH	Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbon
PCB	Polychlorinated Biphenyl
PDI	Pre-Design Investigation
POTW	Publicly-Owned Treatment Works
PPE	Personnel Protective Equipment
PRG	Preliminary Remedial Goal
RAB	Restoration Advisory Board
RAO	Remedial Action Objective
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
RfD	Risk Reference Dose
RI	Remedial Investigation
RIDEM	Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management
RME	Reasonable Maximum Exposure
ROD	Record of Decision
SAIC	Science Applications International Corporation
SARA	Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act
SEM	Simultaneously Extracted Metals
SER	Shore Establishment Realignment Program
SIM	Selected Ion Monitoring
SVOC	Semivolatile Organic Compound
TAL	Target Analyte List
TBC	To Be Considered Guidance
TCL	Target Compound List
TCLP	Toxic Characteristic Leaching Procedure
TCR	Tissue Concentration Ratio
TEV-HQ	Threshold Effects Value - Hazard Quotient
TOC	Total Organic Carbon
TPH	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons
TRC	TRC Environmental Corporation
TSDF	Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facility
TSS	Total Suspended Solids

LIST OF ACRONYMS (Continued)

TWA	Time-Weighted Average Concentration
µg/dl	microgram per deciliter
µg/kg	microgram per kilogram
µg/l	microgram per liter
URI	University of Rhode Island
VOC	Volatile Organic Compound

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This pre-design investigation work plan has been prepared to provide the sampling and analysis program proposed for Contract Task Order (CTO) 833, under the Comprehensive Long-Term Environmental Action Navy (CLEAN) Contract No. N62467-D-94-0888. Pursuant to the CTO, Tetra Tech NUS, Inc. will execute the scope of work to perform pre-design investigation of soil at the Old Firefighting Training Area (OFFTA Site or Site), which is part of the Naval Station Newport (NAVSTA Newport), in Newport, Rhode Island. The objective of this investigation is to determine the extent of soil contaminants that may be addressed under future removal actions. Data from this investigation will also be used to make a determination of the volume of debris present at the site and parameters for disposal to be used for future development of a conceptual excavation plan. In addition, borings will be advanced along the shoreline to determine the geotechnical characteristics of underlying soils for a stone revetment to prevent shoreline erosion.

Preliminary remediation goals (PRGs) were identified for the soil at the Site in the Feasibility Study (FS). Soil PRGs are concentrations of chemicals that, if allowed to remain in the soil, are not anticipated to pose an increased risk of adverse effects to human health or the environment. Soil that contains contaminant concentrations exceeding PRGs were identified and used to delineate the areas that may require removal. The FS estimated the combined volume of soil exceeding PRGs and construction debris is approximately 48,500 cubic yards. Construction debris is presumed to consist of former buildings which were demolished in the 1970s. Of this volume, 10,900 cubic yards is the estimated volume of three mounds on site, and the remaining 37,600 cubic yards is the estimated volume of soil and debris below the base grade at the site under the mounds (TtNUS, September 2002).

This pre-design investigation includes advancement of borings and samples on a grid to estimate the volume of soil and debris below the base grade of the site that may be removed under future actions.

This Draft Work Plan includes four sections: this Introduction; the Site Background, including a brief summary of existing data and the sampling and analysis program design; the Field Sampling Plan; and the Quality Assurance/Quality Control Plan. Appendix A presents Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for the field investigation work. Appendix B contains samples of forms to be used for documentation during this investigation.

The tasks described in this Draft Work Plan are outlined below:

- Collecting continuous soil samples throughout the overburden for characterization and screening;

- Analyzing samples of soil and debris collected at appropriate depths to determine approximate limits of this material that may require removal;
- Analyzing soil samples to determine concentrations of polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPHs), and target analyte list (TAL) metals;
- Surveying land to establish boring elevations and current topography for estimating the depth of excavation;
- Determining current shoreline and high tide line to determine extent of removal action;
- Analyzing soil samples to determine disposal requirements and restrictions;
- Evaluating soils near the shoreline for analysis of geotechnical parameters for evaluation of a stone revetment to prevent shoreline erosion; and,
- Preparing and submitting draft and final reports for these investigations.

After the pre-design investigation is complete the extent of soil exceeding PRGs will be more accurately estimated, volume of subsurface material (soil and debris) that may require removal will be estimated; waste disposal characteristics will be determined; and geotechnical characteristics of the soil near the shoreline will be determined for support of a stone revetment and a road base to allow heavy equipment to access the shoreline.

2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

This section presents background information for the Site, including a Site description, Site history, a brief summary of previous investigations, a summary of the sampling and analysis program design, and a discussion of the project data quality objectives.

2.1 SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

NAVSTA Newport is located approximately 60 miles southwest of Boston, Massachusetts, and 25 miles south of Providence, Rhode Island. It occupies approximately 1,063 acres, with portions of the facility located in the City of Newport and Towns of Middletown and Portsmouth, Rhode Island. The facility layout is long and narrow, following the western shoreline of Aquidneck Island for approximately 6 miles facing the east passage of Narragansett Bay. A general location map of the NAVSTA Newport sites is provided as Figure 2-1.

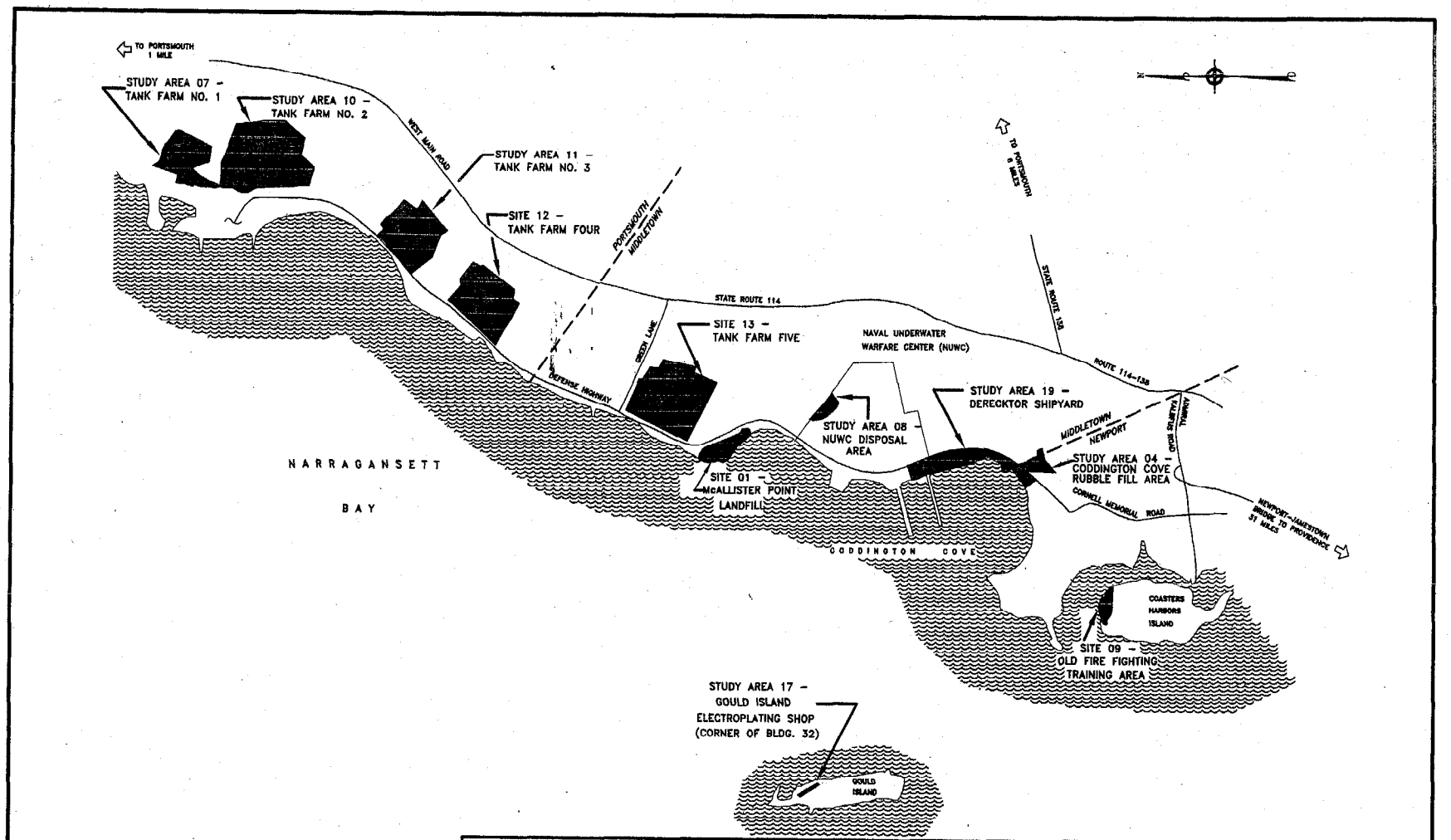
2.1.1 Site Conditions

The OFFTA Site is located at the northern end of Coasters Harbor Island (see Figure 2-2). The Site occupies approximately 5.5 acres and is bordered by Taylor Drive to the south and is surrounded by Coasters Harbor (part of Narragansett Bay) to the east, north, and west. The Site currently contains a temporary parking lot. A one-story concrete block building (Building 144) is located along the southern side of the Site. The building is currently used by US Marine Corps and US Army recruiting offices. Recreational equipment has been removed. Access to the Site is restricted by a chain link fence along its eastern, southern, and western sides.

Unique topographic features at the Site include three soil mounds: one that is approximately 20 feet high (30 feet above MLW) located in the center of the Site, another that is approximately 6 feet high (16 feet above mean low water) located on the western side of the Site, and a third smaller mound at the far west end of the Site. These mounds are believed to consist of construction debris from the demolition of fire training structures in the early 1970's. The rest of the OFFTA Site is generally flat, with surface elevations ranging from 8 to 12 feet above MLW. With the exception of a temporary parking lot, the Site is entirely vegetated with grass. A Site plan is presented as Figure 2-2.

2.1.2 Geology and Hydrogeology

The geology and hydrogeologic conditions at the OFFTA Site are summarized in the RI Report (TtNUS, 2001). The following paragraphs summarize the conclusions from the RI Report.



NAVSTA NEWPORT SITES AND STUDY AREAS			FIGURE 2–1
SOIL PRE–DESIGN INVESTIGATION WORK PLAN			TETRA TECH NUS, INC.
OLD FIRE FIGHTING TRAINING AREA			
NAVSTA NEWPORT – NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND			
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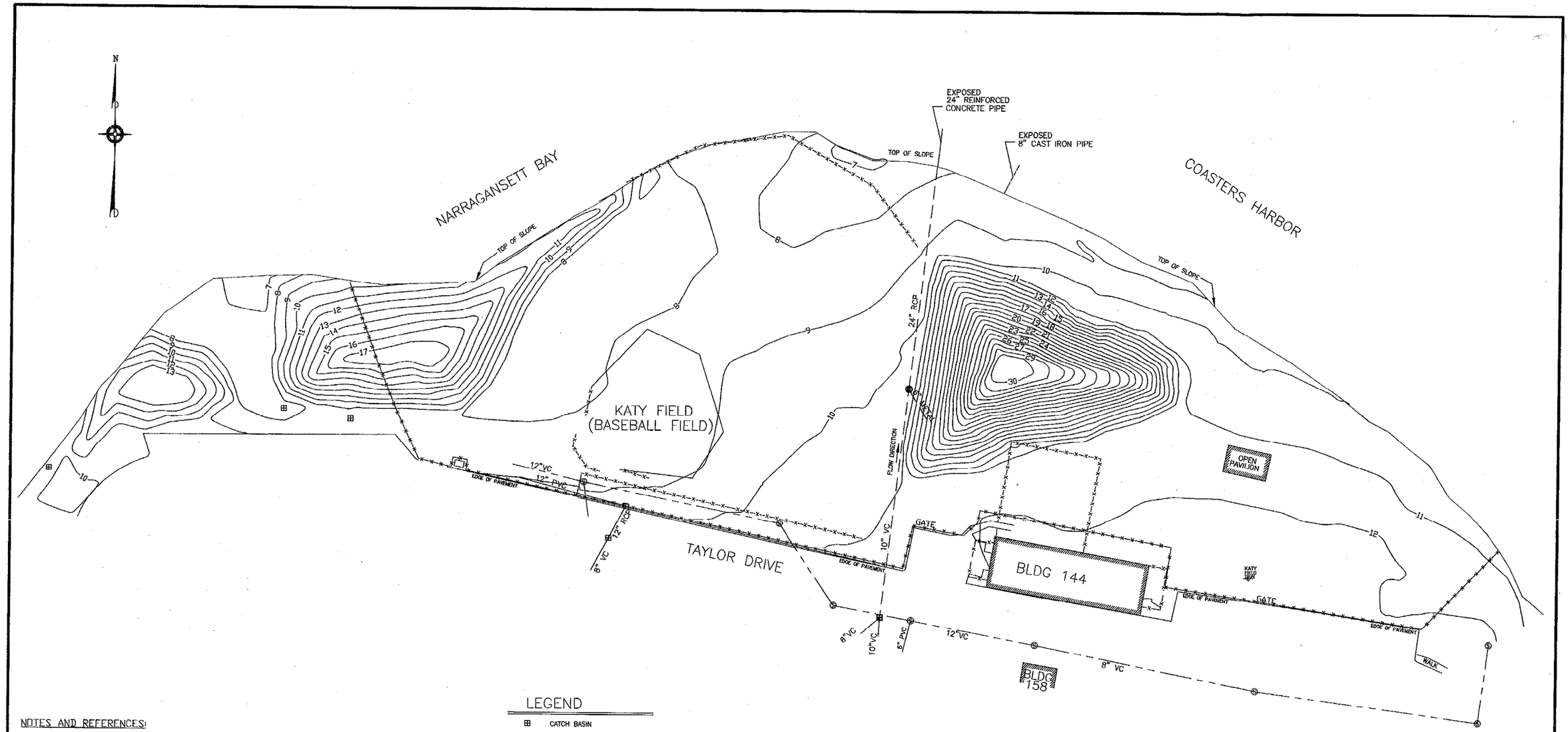

NOTES AND REFERENCES:

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2. HORIZONTAL DATUM BASE ON THE RI STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM NAD 1927. VERTICAL DATUM BASED ON NAVAL BASE MEAN LOW WATER.

3. ALL LOCATIONS ARE TO BE CONSIDERED APPROXIMATE.

4. PLAN NOT TO BE USED FOR DESIGN.

LEGEND

- CATCH BASIN
- SIGN
- FENCE
- EXISTING CONTOUR
- SANITARY SEWER MANHOLE
- SANITARY SEWER
- STORM SEWER MANHOLE
- STORM SEWER

GRAPHIC SCALE

0' 80' 160'

1 INCH = 80 FEET

SITE PLAN		FIGURE 2-2
SOIL PRE-DESIGN INVESTIGATION WORK PLAN		
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Geologic cross sections from the RI Report indicate the Site is underlain by sand and gravel fill containing construction debris; sand and gravel containing variable amounts of silt; peat; dense silt with fine to medium sand, gravel and rock fragments (glacial till); and bedrock. Construction debris consisted generally of rock fragments, asphalt, concrete, metal, wood and glass. The thickness of the overburden ranges from approximately 6 to 27 feet excluding the thickness of the three mounds, which reportedly consist of construction debris and other materials. Two borings advanced through the largest mound, located north of Building 144, indicated it is directly underlain by bedrock. Materials underlying the two remaining mounds, located west of the former baseball field, consist of glacial till or silty sand and gravel.

Bedrock encountered beneath the Site consists of conglomerate with quartz pebbles. The Rhode Island Formation has been mapped in the area and consists of metaconglomerates, metasandstones, schist, graphite, and carbonaceous schist. In the central portion of the Site, bedrock was blasted during Site development. Bedrock surface elevation contours indicate a bedrock "high" in the southeastern portion of the Site (east of Building 144) that drops about 5 feet and extends as a "peninsula" northwest to beneath a mound located north of Building 144. From beneath this mound, the bedrock surface slopes north toward Coasters Harbor and west toward Narragansett Bay. The configuration of the bedrock surface beneath Katy Field (baseball field) and to the west, where the two remaining mounds are located, is not defined because only two borings exist in the vicinity (B-8, MW-11R).

Groundwater occurs in the overburden except in the eastern and southeastern portions of the Site where the overburden becomes unsaturated. The depth to groundwater ranges from 4 to 9 feet bgs. Groundwater beneath the Site flows toward Narragansett Bay and Coasters Harbor located generally to the north with minor flow components to the northwest and northeast. Tidal fluctuations influence groundwater elevations in overburden and bedrock monitoring wells located near the shoreline. The hydraulic conductivity of fill materials is up to 120 feet/day in comparison to natural materials that range from 0.7 feet/day (MW-2D) to 41 feet/day (MW-7S). In comparison, the hydraulic conductivity of bedrock ranged from 0.6 feet/day (MW-6R) to 21 feet/day (MW-9R) except for 91 feet/day estimated for one location (MW-8R) that may have been more heavily fractured by blasting.

2.2 SITE HISTORY

The NAVSTA Newport facility has been in use by the Navy since the era of the Civil War. During World Wars I and II, military activities at the facility increased significantly and the base provided housing for many servicemen. In subsequent peacetime years, use of on-Site facilities was slowly phased out until Newport became the headquarters of the Commander Cruiser-Destroyer Force Atlantic in 1962. In April 1973, the Shore Establishment Realignment Program (SER) resulted in the reorganization of naval forces, and activity at the base again declined. This reorganization resulted in the Navy excessing some

1,629 acres of its 2,420 acres. Portions of the facility are currently leased by the Navy to the State of Rhode Island Port Authority and Economic Development Corporation. Some of these areas are, in turn, subleased to private enterprises.

The entire NAVSTA Newport was listed on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) National Priorities List (NPL) of abandoned or uncontrolled hazardous waste Sites in November 1989. The NPL identifies those Sites that pose a significant threat to the public health and environment. The OFFTA Site was listed as one of the Sites requiring RI/FS activities. It is currently being studied by the Navy under the Department of Defense Installation Restoration Program (IRP). This program is similar to the EPA's Superfund Program authorized under CERCLA in 1980, as amended by SARA in 1986.

A Federal Facilities Interagency Agreement (FFA) for NAVSTA Newport (then NETC) was signed by the Navy, the State of Rhode Island, and the EPA on March 23, 1992. The FFA outlines response action requirements under the Department of Defense IRP at NAVSTA Newport. The FFA was developed, in part, to provide a framework to address environmental impacts associated with past and present activities at NAVSTA Newport.

The OFFTA Site was home to a Navy fire fighting training facility from World War II until 1972. During the training operations, fuel oils were ignited in various structures at the Site including burn pits, so-called Christmas Tree above-ground nozzle array, and small buildings that simulated shipboard compartments. Ignited fires were then extinguished by sailors. It was reported that the two "Carrier Compartment" buildings were injected with a water/oil mixture which was subsequently set on fire for fire fighting practice. Underground piping reportedly carried the water/oil mixture to the buildings and from the buildings to an oil-water separator. Drainage piping from historic photos and maps provided in the FS report (TtNUS September 2002) show pipes from the separator discharged to Coasters Harbor to the north.

The fire fighting training facility was closed in 1972. Upon closure, the training structures were reportedly demolished and buried in mounds on the Site, and then the entire area was covered with topsoil. The Site was then converted to a recreational area with a playground, a baseball field, and a picnic area with an open pavilion and barbecue grills. The field was dedicated on July 4, 1976, and used as a recreational area until its closure in October 1998.

In its 22 years as a recreational area, the Site was used for organized activities including youth day camps, picnic functions, and little league baseball (1 year only), as well as for general recreation. A child day care center operated out of Building 144 on the Site from approximately 1983 through January 1994 when it was relocated off-site to a larger facility on base.

Aerial photos and facility maps for the period from 1939 through 1988 were reviewed to better evaluate the Site history. Activity on the Site appears to date back to approximately 1943. A 1953 facility design map indicates the locations of structures and Site features associated with fire fighting training exercises. An aerial photo taken in May 1944 depicts the Site with structures in a similar layout to that shown on the 1953 facility design map. Based on the design map and subsequent facility condition maps, on-site structures included an administration building, hose house, two carrier compartments, smothering pit, separator pit, foam pit, simulated ship structures, suction pumps, and oil tanks.

The indexes that accompanied some of the facility conditions maps indicate that the on-Site structure that was used in recent years as a day care center was once used as "wash and dressing rooms." No significant visible Site changes are noted from 1944 until a 1975 aerial photo of the Site, when the structures and facilities associated with the fire fighting training area are no longer evident, with exception of the "hose house" and Building 144. As of 1987, the Site appears similar to its current condition, with soil mounds visible in the central and western portions of the Site and a pavilion in the east-central portion of the Site.

2.3 PREVIOUS STUDIES

This pre-design investigation is preceded by a Remedial Investigation and a Feasibility Study completed in 2001 and 2002, respectively. Data from all prior investigations conducted by TtNUS and TRC Environmental Corporation (TRC) were assimilated into these reports, including 3 phases of the RI, a source removal investigation, risk assessment reports, etc.

Findings from the RI (TtNUS, 2001) and preceding investigations pertinent to this pre-design work plan follow:

- Semivolatile organic compounds (SVOCs) were detected in all media across the Site. The most prevalent SVOCs detected were polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) with the highest concentrations detected in surface and subsurface soil and groundwater sampling locations near Coasters Harbor. PAH concentrations in surface soils, subsurface soils, groundwater and storm water exceeded RIDEM Residential Direct Exposure Criteria for soils.

- Pesticides were detected at low concentrations in surface soils and subsurface soils across the Site, and in storm water, marine sediments, and biota samples. Only one pesticide, endrin was detected in groundwater. All pesticide concentrations were low.

- Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) were detected infrequently in surface and subsurface soils at concentrations below RIDEM Residential Direct Exposure Criteria for soils.

- Metals were detected throughout the Site. Metals concentrations were generally higher in site soil and groundwater relative to the same metals in background soil and upgradient groundwater locations. Metals concentrations in both surface soils and subsurface soils exceeding RIDEM Residential Direct Exposure Criteria for soils were arsenic, beryllium, lead, and manganese.

- Total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPHs) were detected in the subsurface throughout the Site exceeding RIDEM Residential Direct Exposure Criteria at depths ranging from 3 to 11 feet BGS. Petroleum contamination was observed visually in the central portion of the Site in soils sampled immediately above the water table.

- The FS (TtNUS, 2002) identified a range of options to address the site soil. The remedial action alternatives developed to address the contaminants at the Site were evaluated against seven criteria identified in the National Contingency Plan. The report does not recommend selection of any of the alternatives, it provides a basis for the comparison of each alternative. Remedial alternatives were developed for three soil alternatives: (1) no action, (2) removal, treatment and backfill, and (3) removal and disposal. The FS discussed how each alternative meets the seven criteria and evaluates how well each alternative compares to the others.

- A total of 80 surface soil samples and 56 subsurface soil samples (excluding duplicates) were collected (TtNUS, 2002). Analyses performed on these samples included VOCs, SVOCs, pesticides/PCBs, metals, dioxins/furans, and TPH, although not all analyses were performed on all samples. A summary of findings from subsurface soil samples such as the depth of debris and evidence of petroleum noted in the boring logs, is provided on Table 2-1.

2.4 SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS PROGRAM DESIGN

This pre-design investigation involves the sampling of soil for chemical and geotechnical analysis. In general, construction debris will not be sampled, as it is presumed this material will be removed regardless of contaminant levels. However other subsurface materials will be sampled to determined if they exceed PRGs. In addition, data will be collected to characterize geotechnical parameters of soils that will support construction of a new protective stone revetment and a road base that will allow access of heavy equipment to the shoreline of the site if sediment actions are found to be necessary.

TABLE 2-1
PREVIOUS SUBSURFACE SAMPLING SUMMARY
DRAFT WORK PLAN - SOIL PRE-DESIGN INVESTIGATION
OLD FIRE FIGHTING TRAINING AREA
NAVSTA NEWPORT, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

STATION ID	TOTAL DEPTH (feet-BGS)	TOTAL DEPTH OF DEBRIS (feet-BGS)	EVIDENCE OF PETROLEUM NOTED	OTHER RELEVANT OBSERVATIONS
B-1	9r	9	none	--
B-2	12r	8	odor 8-10 ft	--
B-3	14r	14	odor 6-14 ft; oil staining 8-10 ft	--
B-4	12.5r	2	odor 4-12 ft	--
B-5	12	4	odor/staining 4-6 ft	organic material 6-12 ft
B-6	14	2	odor 4-12 ft	--
B-7	11.5r	8	odor 5-10 ft	--
B-8	22.5r	12	odor 14-22 ft	--
B-9	13r	13	none	--
B-10	7r	7	none	--
B-11	25.5	9	none	till 9 - 21.5 ft; weathered bedrock to 25.5 ft
B-12	8.5r	0	none	--
B-13	30r	6	odor to 17 ft	weathered bedrock 18 - 30 ft
B-14	28r	20	none	no recovery 20 - 27 ft; bedrock estimated at 23 ft
B-15	20.5r	20.5	slight odor at 10 ft	bedrock estimated at 20 ft
B-16	22.5r	--	odor 6-14 ft	weathered rock at 22 ft
B-17	5r	--	none	--
B-18	5.5r	--	none	No recovery from 1 to 5.5 ft
MW-1	13.5	4	none	no recovery 6-13.5 feet sandstone chips in spoon.
MW-2	14	2	staining 4-8 ft; odor 4-14 ft	--
MW-2D	30r	--	slight odor 14 - 16 ft	Attempted to core to 40 ft but borehole kept collapsing.
MW-3	14	4	staining 4-8 ft; odor 4-12 ft	--
MW-5	18	--	slight odor at 12 ft	weathered shale at 17.5 ft
MW-6S	9r	6	none	--
MW-6R	26	6	none	bedrock at 5 feet; augered to 26 feet through weathered bedrock.
MW-7S	14	3.3	odor 4 - 6 ft	--
MW-8R	14	--	none	bedrock at 6 ft (est.), augered to 14 ft.
MW-9R	14	--	none	bedrock at 4 ft (est.), augered to 15 ft.
MW-10S	12.5r	12	odor 6 - 12.5 ft	--
MW-11S	10r	10	odor 8 - 10 ft	--
MW-11R	8.5r	8.5	none	bedrock estimated at 14 ft; air rotary drilling from 10 to 21 ft
MW-101	13r	5	odor and sheen 5 - 10 ft	till 5 - 13 ft.
MW-102	29r	17	oily sand 6 - 16 ft.	till 17 to 29 ft.

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TABLE 2-1 (CONT.)
PREVIOUS SUBSURFACE SAMPLING SUMMARY
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STATION ID	TOTAL DEPTH (feet-BGS)	TOTAL DEPTH OF DEBRIS (feet-BGS)	EVIDENCE OF PETROLEUM NOTED	OTHER RELEVANT OBSERVATIONS
TP-1	5	5	Petroleum in pipe	Concrete slab at 5 ft.
TP-2	8	7	Odors at 8 ft. PID=1200 ppb	--
TP-3	8	7	Odors and stains at water table	--
TP-01	1	0	none	Bedrock at 5 ft.
TP-02	3.5	3.5	Pipe present, no oil	Bedrock at 3.5 ft.
TP-03	2.5	2.5	none	Bedrock at 2.5 ft.
TP-04	3	3	none	--
TP-05	8	7	none	Water table at 8 ft.
TP-06	7	7	none	Concrete slab at 7 ft.
TP-07	8	8	none	--
TP-08	2.5	2.5	none	Bedrock at 2.5 ft.
TP-09	3	0	none	Bedrock at 3 ft.
TP-10	1	1	none	Concrete slab at 1 ft.
TP-11	6	5	Odors, oil at 5 ft.	--
TP-12	5	5	Pipe with oil at 5 ft.	--
TP-13	7	5	Staining at 7 ft.	--
TP-14	4.5	0	Staining at 4 ft.	--
TP-15	5	5	Staining at 4.5-5 ft.	--
TP-16	10	10	Staining at 10 ft.	--
TP-17	9	0	Oil on water table at 8 ft.	--

Notes: r means auger refusal or split spoon refusal.

Reference: TtNUS, 2001, Remedial Investigation for Old Fire Fighting Training Area, Naval Station Newport, Newport, RI.

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Sampling locations for this investigation are presented in Section 3.

2.5 DATA QUALITY OBJECTIVES

The data quality objectives (DQOs) for this project were developed in accordance with the EPA Guidance for Data Quality Objectives (EPA G4 document). The G4 document suggests seven steps be followed to develop project DQOs. The objectives are in part dictated by CERCLA guidance, the Federal Facilities Agreement, and other standard guidances to perform investigations.

The intended use of the data resulting from a field investigation is the primary determining factor in defining the DQOs for that data. To be certain that the data are consistent with the goals of the investigation, the seven steps of defining DQOs are presented in this section.

2.5.1 Statement of the Problem

As detailed in Section 2.2, the OFFTA Site was home to a Navy fire fighting training facility from World War II until 1972. During the training operations, fuel oils were ignited in various structures at the Site that simulated shipboard compartments, and then extinguished by sailors. It was reported that the two "Carrier Compartment" buildings were injected with a water/oil mixture which was subsequently set on fire for fire fighting practice. Underground piping reportedly carried the water/oil mixture to the buildings and from the buildings to the oil-water separator. Currently, as a result of these activities, there is remnant oil contamination present in the subsurface at the OFFTA Site. It has been determined that the affected soil and debris must be considered for removal action. According to the FS, the area of impacted subsurface material at the Site has been estimated as approximately 229,000 square feet (5.3 acres) corresponding to approximately 48,500 cubic yards. Based on the limited data points evaluated during the FS, additional sampling is required to refine these numbers further so that accurate conclusions can be drawn regarding the remedial and removal activities that will take place at the Site.

The problems this investigation will address are:

- Determine the lateral and vertical extent of construction debris, based on characterization of materials.
- Determine the lateral and vertical extent of soil that may be considered for removal.
- Determine the resulting volume of soil that may be considered for removal.

- Determine the TPH concentrations in soil and whether these require removal based on RIDEM criteria.

- Determine the geotechnical characteristics of the subsurface along the shoreline where an erosion control revetment and road base may be constructed.

This investigation will focus on the PAHs and metals, which posed the highest risk estimated in the RI.

2.5.2 Identification of the Decision

After the completion of this study, the extent of soil and debris to be considered for removal action will be determined. In addition, some geotechnical parameters will be determined for nearshore soil for potential construction of a stone revetment.

2.5.3 Inputs to the Decision

Inputs to the decision are the elements used in the decision process. Inputs to the decision as stated in Section 2.5.2 are as follows:

- Depth and locations of debris;
- Concentrations of PAHs, metals, and TPH in soil;
- Locations of soil samples where contaminants are found;
- Geotechnical parameters of the subsurface along the shoreline; and
- Depths of soil samples where contaminants are found,

PRGs were estimated in the Feasibility Study Report, Table 2-10, (TtNUS, September 2002) for PAHs, dieldrin, and metals. Dieldrin is not included in this investigation because the maximum concentration of this pesticide (44 ug/kg) occurred in only one out of 33 subsurface soil samples and is an estimated concentration below the analytical reporting limit (TtNUS, July 2001). The RIDEM Residential Direct Exposure Criterion for dieldrin in soils is 40 ug/kg. TPH is not a CERCLA contaminant; however, it will be used with the contaminants of concern (COCs), in accordance with RIDEM regulations, as a cleanup criterion. The project action limit selected for TPH (500 mg/kg) is the Method 1 Residential Direct Exposure Criterion (RIDEM, 1996). The PRG and TPH values define project action limits for the pre-design soil sampling, are discussed in Section 4.2.

Geotechnical parameters are required to evaluate subsurface conditions for design of a potential stone revetment to protect the OFFTA shoreline from erosion due to wave action and also for design of a road base to support heavy equipment (excavators, cranes, earthmovers). Material density from standard penetration tests and grain size analysis information is needed from soil borings along the shoreline to determine the stability of unconsolidated materials that will be considered for support of these structures. Design of the revetment and the road base is not included in this soil pre-design investigation, but will be part of the construction specifications.

2.5.4 Definition of the Study Boundaries

Study boundaries include all areas of the Site to the upper limit of the intertidal zone. A maximum target sample depth is determined by the top of bedrock or 20 feet below the base grade of the site, or the ground elevation below the bottom of the mounds. A minimum target soil sample depth is 2 feet below ground surface (bgs). Vertical extent of contamination will be determined to a resolution of ±2 feet, using samples collected every 4 feet (see Section 3.2).

2.5.5 Decision Rule

The decision rule is a clear statement defining the requirements of the investigation based on the possible outcomes of the study. For this work plan, the decision rule shall be that if a volume of soil is represented by samples with one or more chemicals whose measured concentration exceeds its PRG, then that material will be considered for inclusion in the removal action. Additionally, construction debris will be considered for inclusion in the removal action regardless of the chemical content. The volumes of these materials will be identified upon the evaluation of the results from this investigation. The removal action limits and criteria will be described in the Action Memorandum to be prepared for the site.

2.5.6 Limits on Decision Errors

The data assessment provided in the FS shows the site as a whole area exceeds PRGs stated in that document. This is due to the observation that nearly all samples collected to date showed an exceedance of at least one PRG. As this next study is approached, the null hypothesis is that all soil is considered to be contaminated. The alternative hypothesis is that some soil is not contaminated. Based on these hypotheses, a false positive decision would lead to a failure to identify soils as contaminated when they are not, and a false negative decision would be to remove soil when it is not warranted. With these possible errors, the conservative approach followed here will be to find soils not requiring removal, with a higher probability of including more soil in the removal action than is necessary.

2.5.7 Design for Obtaining Data

The DQO process described in the G4 DQO document describes the use of various statistical approaches for developing a database. These approaches are based on contaminant distributions and outputs of the previous steps. A statistical approach was not used for development of the sampling plan, rather as detailed in Section 3 and Section 2.5.4, this plan is intended to find limits of the removal action from the area of contaminated soil that is currently considered for the removal action. This investigation was designed around previous data to obtain better resolution on the volume of construction debris and the extent of soil where removal actions might be performed. Specifics on the precision, accuracy, etc. of the data collected are described in the Quality Assurance/Quality Control Plan, presented in Section 4 of this work plan. The extent of contamination will be based on sample results, professional judgment in interpretation and triangulation between locations of actionable and non-actionable samples analyzed.

3.0 FIELD SAMPLING PLAN: SOIL PRE-DESIGN INVESTIGATION

This section presents a description of the field investigation activities that are planned for the Pre-Design Investigation of soil at the Old Fire Fighting Training Area Site at Naval Station Newport, in Newport, Rhode Island.

The objective of the soil sampling activity is to provide data to assess the horizontal and vertical extent of construction debris, and the extent of contamination in soil. The resulting data will be evaluated to determine the volume of debris and soil that will be considered for remedial action described in the FS.

The following sections detail the sampling activities that comprise the Pre-Design Field Investigations described under this work plan. Figure 3-1 depicts soil boring locations.

Activities associated with the soil pre-design investigation include:

1. Mobilization/demobilization activities;

2. Collection of soil samples in borings to evaluate the existing subsurface conditions and to serve as delineation borings for the purpose of calculating the volumes of debris and soil that will require removal under the planned removal action;

3. Collection of soil samples in borings located along the shoreline to evaluate existing subsurface conditions for evaluation of potential design of a stone revetment to minimize shoreline erosion.

4. Topographic mapping of shoreline and borehole surveying to calculate volume of debris, volume of soil requiring removal, and to identify the location of high tide line, which will be the horizontal extent of the removal action.

5. Investigation-derived waste (IDW) disposal activities.

3.1 MOBILIZATION/DEMOBILIZATION

As part of mobilization activities, technical specifications for drilling, surveying, and analysis subcontracts will be prepared and issued. Required field equipment and supplies will be ordered and mobilized to the Site. Field team members will review this Work Plan, the Health and Safety Plan (provided under separate cover), applicable Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs, included as Appendix A), and applicable subcontract specifications. A field team orientation meeting will be conducted prior to initiating the fieldwork

to familiarize the field team and subcontractor personnel with Site health and safety requirements and the scope of the field activities. The mobilization date will be coordinated with the EFANE ROICC office a minimum of one week in advance of the proposed mobilization date.

3.2 SAMPLE COLLECTION

The objective of the sample collection is to determine the volume of debris and soil that will be considered for the remedial action and determine geotechnical parameters in soil along the shoreline. Samples will be collected at 27 borings on a grid system, and an additional 8 borings as described in the following subsections. Table 3-1 presents a summary of field and QC samples, and Table 3-2 presents the analytical methods, volume and preservatives required.

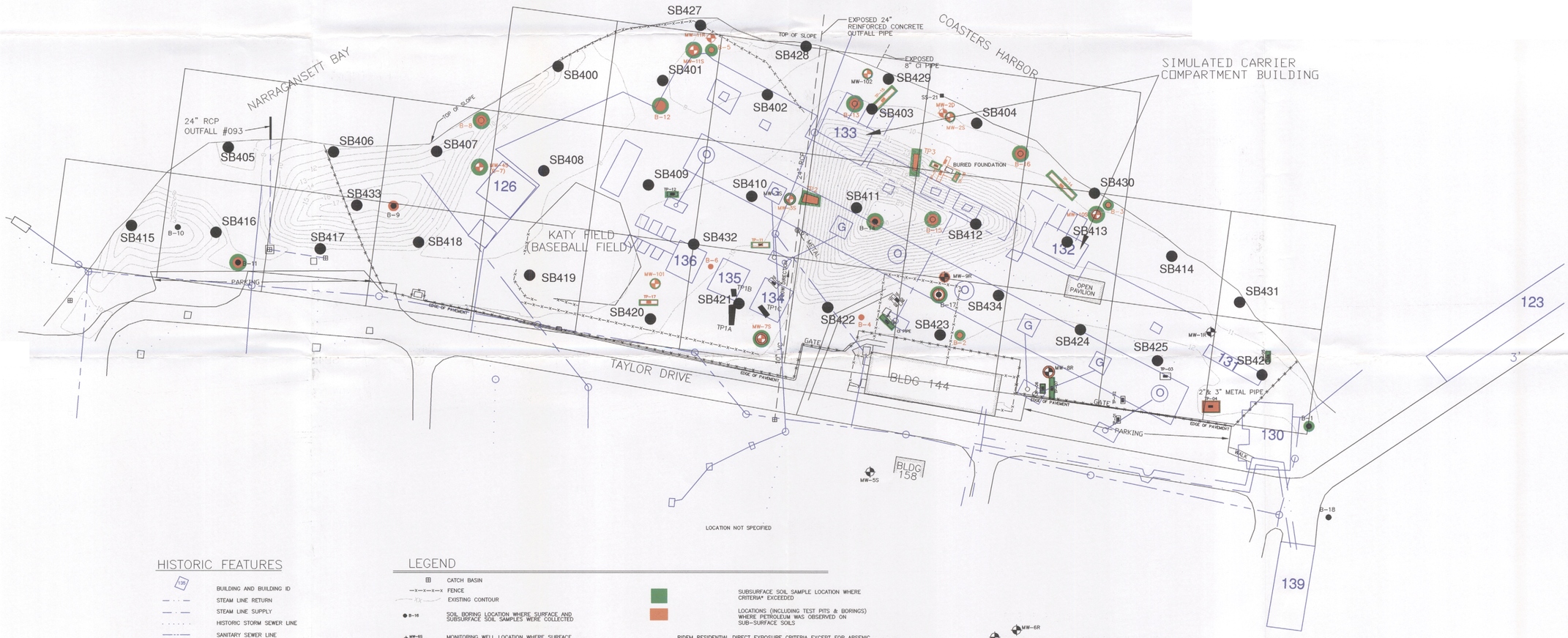
3.2.1 Soil Samples Collected from Borings

A total of 27 borings are located on a 100 foot grid with individual borings located at the approximate center of each grid cell. The borings are spaced approximately 100 feet apart as shown by Figure 3-1 (SB400 through SB426). Some of these borings have been shifted-off center of the grid cell to prevent duplication of previously collected samples. Also, an additional 5 borings (SB427 through SB431) are located along the shoreline for geotechnical evaluation of soil where a stone revetment and perimeter road base will be constructed. Three borings (SB432-SB434) were added to fill in data gaps at selected locations, based on historic structures. Additional borings may be added as needed during the field effort based on gaps that become evident by refusals or inadequate sample volume.

Continuous soil samples will be collected from each of the borings at 2-foot depth intervals beginning at a depth of 2 feet bgs to the top of bedrock or a maximum depth of 20 feet bgs. The top of bedrock will be identified using split spoons, to the extent practicable. All soil samples will be screened for VOCs using a jar headspace screening method.

The following soil sampling is required:

- Soil samples will be collected from each of the 35 borings (SB400 through SB434) from 2-4 feet, 6-8 feet, 10-12 feet, and 14-16 feet (if possible) for laboratory analysis of polynuclear aromatic compounds (PAHs), total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH), and TAL metals. If soil is not present at one or more of these intervals, then soil may be collected from the next interval in sequence (i.e., 4-6 feet, 8-10 feet, 12-14 feet, 16-18 feet or 18 to 20 feet).



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- OIL LINE
- OIL TANKS
- GAS TANKS (X-MAS TREES)
- EXISTING STORM SEWER LINE

LEGEND

- CATCH BASIN
- —X—X—X— FENCE
- EXISTING CONTOUR
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- TP1C — TEST PIT LOCATION WHERE SUBSURFACE SOIL SAMPLE(S) WERE COLLECTED (TRC, 1/94)
- SB400 — PROPOSED BORING AND IDENTIFIER
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GRAPHIC SCALE

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1 INCH = 50 FEET

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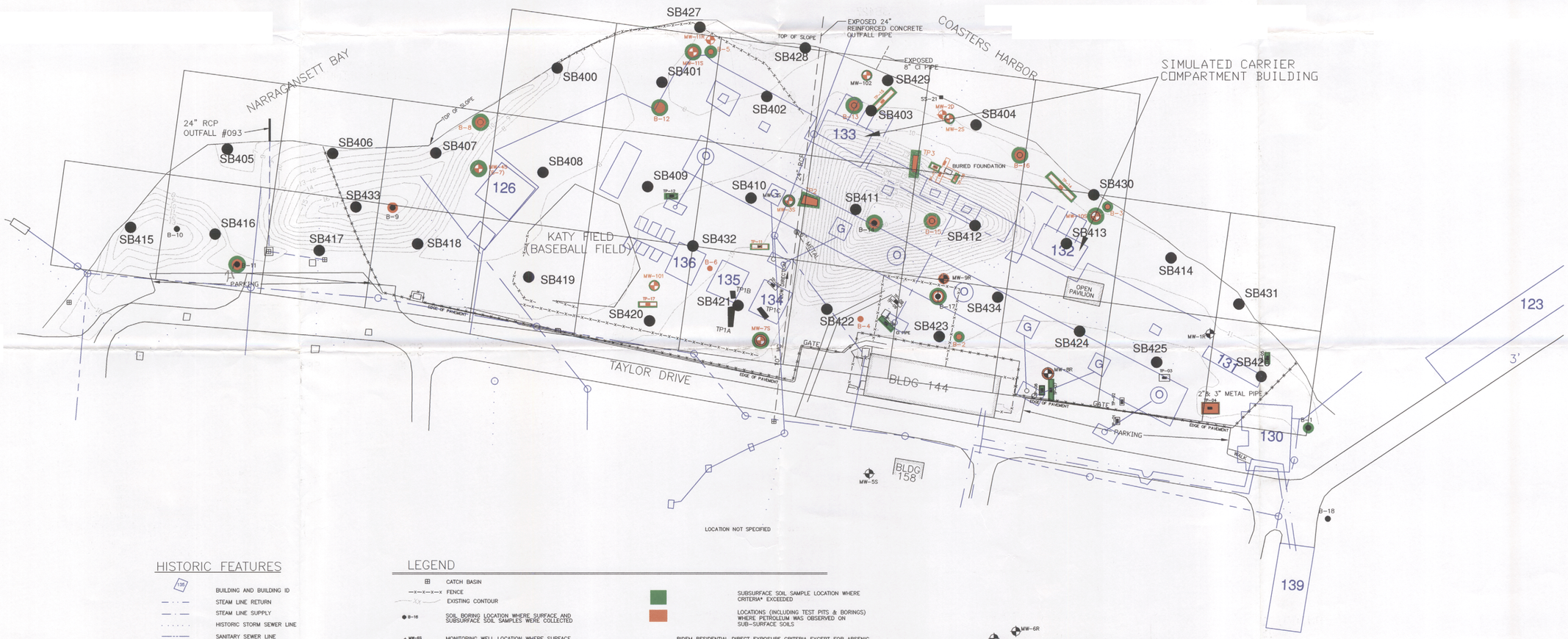

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TABLE 3-1
FIELD AND QUALITY CONTROL SAMPLE SUMMARY
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OLD FIRE FIGHTING TRAINING AREA
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SAMPLE TYPE	ANALYSIS	FIELD SAMPLES	RINSATE (EQUIPMENT) BLANKS(1)	FIELD DUPLICATES(2)	FIELD BLANKS(3)	TOTAL
Soil Samples	PAH Compounds	140	10	14	3	167
	TAL Metals	140	10	14	3	167
	TPH	140	10	14	3	167
	Grain-size	11	NA	2	NA	13

Notes:

(1) Collect 1 rinsate blank per day of sampling.

(2) Collect 1 duplicate per 10 field samples.

(3) Collect 1 field blank per water source (e.g. decontamination rinse water [one per lot number]).

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- One soil sample will be collected from each of 11 selected borings (SB400, SB404, SB405, SB406, SB407, SB414, and SB427 through SB431) for grain size analysis. The grain size analysis will be used as a check of the visual classifications (Unified Soil Classification System) recorded in the boring logs; however, if fine material (silt/clay, fine sand or peat) is encountered, the sample should be collected from the finest material encountered in the boring. Standard penetration testing data will also be collected at these borings.

All soil samples will be collected using a conventional hollow-stem auger rig equipped with a split-spoon sampler by a drilling Subcontractor under the supervision of a TtNUS geologist. Upon retrieval, the sampler will be opened by the Subcontractor and handed to the TtNUS geologist who will inspect the sample for visual evidence of construction debris as well as of potential contamination and visual classification in accordance with TtNUS Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) in Appendix A. Any foreign materials (brick, asphalt, concrete, glass etc.) will be described as construction debris and noted in the geologic log.

Soil not containing debris, as described above, will be collected and placed in a decontaminated stainless steel bowl, gravel removed, homogenized, and placed in appropriate sample containers, as detailed in Table 3-2, for laboratory analysis as described above. If insufficient sample is obtained from the soil core, the next interval will be sampled in this same manner. If two consecutive intervals provide no recovery in the split barrel sampler, a second boring may be installed to acquire samples at the missed interval(s). All samples will be labeled and preserved immediately after collection and shipped with a chain-of-custody to the analytical laboratory. Table 3-2 also includes analytical methods, preservatives, and holding time requirements.

All non-disposable sampling equipment will be decontaminated in accordance with the procedures identified in Section 3.4.

To assure borings will be completed where old foundations remain in the subsurface, the following approach will be used: If refusal is encountered in any boring prior to reaching top of bedrock, the down-hole tools will be withdrawn, the boring backfilled, and the rig will be shifted approximately 10 feet and the boring will be redrilled. If three such refusals are encountered, the location will be abandoned temporarily. At the completion of the project, the location will be revisited and will be drilled a fourth time with drive and wash drilling equipment capable of coring through concrete foundations. After the concrete is penetrated, soil sampling will resume as described elsewhere in this work plan.

TABLE 3-2
ANALYTICAL METHODS, SAMPLE CONTAINER, PRESERVATIVE, AND HOLDING TIME REQUIREMENTS
DRAFT WORK PLAN - SOIL PRE-DESIGN INVESTIGATION
OLD FIRE FIGHTING TRAINING AREA
NAVSTA NEWPORT, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

SAMPLE MEDIUM	ANALYSIS(2)	SAMPLE CONTAINER(1)	PRESERVATIVE	HOLDING TIME
Soil	PAHs, SW-846 8270C SIM	8 oz wide mouth jar	Cool to 4°C	14 Days (Extraction); 40 days (Analysis)
	TAL Metals SW-846 6010B Trace(3)	4 oz wide mouth jar	Cool to 4°C	28 Days (Mercury) others 180 days
	TPH SW-846 8015B	4 oz wide mouth jar	Cool to 4°C	14 Days (Analysis)
	Grain-Size ASTM D422(4)	4 oz wide mouth jar	NA	NA

Notes:

(1) Triple volume needed for organic laboratory QC, and double volume needed for metal laboratory QC, at a rate of one per 20 field samples. Also, actual volumes and bottle requirements needed for all analyses will be verified with the selected analytical laboratory prior to initiation of sampling event.

(2) Method detection limits adequate for determining PRG exceedances.

(3) ICP mass spectometry may be used for analysis at detection limits necessary.

(4) American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), Standard Test Method for Particle-Size Analysis of Soils, D422.

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3.3 BOREHOLE AND SHORELINE SURVEY

The horizontal location and vertical elevation of each new boring will be surveyed relative to the RI State Plane Coordinate system NAD 1927 and NAVSTA Mean Low Water datum, respectively. The existing topography was surveyed by Louis Federici & Associates, plan dated March 16, 1999. Additional topographic survey along the shoreline will be performed by a State of RI licensed surveyor between the top of slope to mean low water. The additional topographic survey will be at a one-foot contour interval, which is consistent with the existing topographic survey. Mean high water line will be established as a horizontal extent of the project.

3.4 INVESTIGATION-DERIVED WASTE (IDW) DISPOSAL

Any IDW soil generated will be backfilled in the boring where it was generated. Excess IDW will be containerized and shipped off site in bulk for disposal. Any personal protective equipment (PPE) waste generated during work will be decontaminated and stored in plastic bags for disposal at the end of each work day. The bags will be placed in an industrial dumpster at a location to be determined by the Navy.

3.5 DECONTAMINATION PROCEDURES

All non-disposable sampling equipment that comes in contact with the sample medium will be decontaminated to prevent cross-contamination between sampling points. This includes equipment such as stainless steel bowls, scoops, split spoons, etc. The following decontamination sequence will be employed:

- remove gross contamination by scrubbing with potable water
- scrub with potable water/liquinox
- rinse with potable water
- rinse with deionized water
- rinse with 2-propanol
- air dry (to extent possible)
- wrap with aluminum foil, dull side toward equipment.

The drill rig will also be decontaminated by steam cleaning before starting the drilling program, and after completion of each boring.

4.0 QUALITY ASSURANCE/QUALITY CONTROL PLAN

This section provides technical guidelines and procedures for maintaining an appropriate level of quality for data collected during fieldwork performed. This section references the TtNUS Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for specific protocols for procedures discussed in Section 3.0.

Pertinent SOPs for fieldwork are included in this work plan as Appendix A. These SOPs include, but are not limited to:

SOP	DESCRIPTION
CT-04	Sample Nomenclature
CT-05	Database Records and Quality Assurance
GH-1.5	Borehole and Sample Logging
SA-1.3	Soil Sampling
SA-6.1	Non-Radiological Sample Handling
SA-6.3	Field Documentation
SA-7.1	Decontamination of Field Equipment and Waste Handling

Pertinent field forms used to document field activities, visual observations and sample collection are provided in Appendix B.

4.1 QUALITY ASSURANCE OBJECTIVES

The main objective of this round of environmental sampling is to provide sufficient data, when evaluated with existing data, to determine the approximate limits of soil that will require removal under the proposed removal action. This will help ensure that the soil removal action will be a completed component of the entire site remedy.

Achieving this objective requires that the data collected from the field conform to an appropriate level of quality. The quality of a data set is measured by certain characteristics of the data, namely the precision accuracy, representativeness, completeness, and comparability (PARCC) parameters. Some of the parameters are expressed quantitatively, while others are expressed qualitatively. The PARCC goals for a particular project are determined by the intended use of the data, defined as a part of the Data Quality Objectives (DQOs). DQOs are discussed in Section 2.5; the PARCC parameters are discussed below.

4.1.1 PARCC Parameters

The PARCC goals for the work covered by this quality assurance plan are discussed in the following sections.

4.1.1.1 Precision and Accuracy

Field and laboratory precision and accuracy performance can affect the attainment of project objectives, particularly when compliance with established criteria is based on laboratory analysis of environmental samples.

Field sampling precision and accuracy are not easily measured. Field contamination, sample preservation, and sample handling will affect precision and accuracy. By following the appropriate TtNUS SOP, precision and accuracy errors associated with field activities can be minimized. Field duplicates and blanks (field and rinsate) will be used to estimate field sampling precision and accuracy for samples submitted for laboratory analysis.

Field duplicate and field quality control blank analyses results will be used to review the laboratory-analyzed results and determine the usability of the data with respect to its intended use. As discussed in Section 2.5.6, the study was designed to have a relatively low tolerance for a false negative decision (i.e. soil does not exceed PRGs, therefore no action necessary) and a high tolerance for a false positive decision (i.e., soil exceeds PRGs, therefore station is considered for removal action). As a result, it was determined that formal validation of the data would not be conducted to verify laboratory precision and accuracy. Validation will be conducted on the confirmation samples taken after removal (not described in this work plan).

4.1.1.2 Representativeness

Representativeness describes the degree to which analytical data accurately and precisely define the population being measured. Several elements of the sampling and sample handling process must be controlled to maximize the representativeness of the analytical data (appropriate number of samples collected, physical state of the samples, Site-specific factors, sampling equipment, containers, sample preservation and storage, holding times, sample identity, and chain of custody will be defined to ensure that the samples analyzed represent the population being measured). The sampling program is designed to provide analytical data that are representative of the existing contaminant levels.

Representativeness of data is also affected by sampling techniques. Errors or cross-contamination during the sampling could affect the laboratory analytical results. However, every effort will be made during sample collection to minimize the introduction of errors or cross-contamination by following the sample techniques described in Section 3.0, and the TtNUS SOPs included in Appendix A.

4.1.1.3 Completeness

Completeness describes the amount of data generated that meets the objectives for precision, accuracy, and representativeness versus the amount of data expected to be obtained. For relatively clean, homogeneous matrices (such as water), 100 percent completeness is expected. However, as matrix complexity and heterogeneity increase (such as for soil), completeness may decrease. Where analysis is precluded or where data quality objectives are compromised, effects on the overall investigation must be considered. Whether or not any particular sample is critical to the investigation will be evaluated in terms of the sample location, the parameter in question, the intended data use, and the risk associated with the error.

The sampling and analysis program for the Site is sufficiently broad in scope to prevent a single data point or parameter from jeopardizing attainment of the study objectives. Critical data points may not be evaluated until all the analytical results are evaluated. Additionally, several sampling points, in aggregate, may be considered to be critical either by location or by analysis. A subsequent sampling event may be necessary if it becomes apparent that the data for a specific medium are of insufficient quality, either with respect to the number of samples or based on an individual analysis.

For the purposes of this effort, a data point will be determined to contribute to the completeness of the data set if the information provided is meaningful, useful, and contributes to the project objectives.

4.1.1.4 Comparability

One of the objectives of the sampling effort is to provide analytical data that are characterized by a level of quality that is comparable between sampling points. By specifying the use of standard analytical procedures (as well as standardizing field sampling procedures by employing TtNUS SOPs), the potential for variables to affect the final data quality will be effectively minimized. Analytical methods for this work are presented in Tables 3-2 and 3-3; SOPs appear in Appendix A.

4.1.2 Quality Control Samples

QC samples to be used during the sampling effort are identified below, and include field duplicates or replicates, laboratory duplicates or replicates, rinsate blanks, field blanks, and source blanks. Each type of field quality control sample defined below will undergo the same preservation, holding times, etc., as the field samples. Table 3-1 presents a summary of the QC samples to be collected during this sampling event.

4.1.2.1 Field Duplicates

Field duplicates will be submitted at the rate of one for every ten samples per matrix. Field personnel will note on the sample summary form and in the logbook which samples are field duplicates. Duplicate samples will be shipped blind to the laboratories, and shipping paperwork will be completed accordingly.

Field duplicates are collected by mixing a double or triple portion of the required volume of sample and dividing it into two sample containers. Field duplicates provide precision information regarding homogeneity, handling, shipping, storing, preparation, and analysis.

4.1.2.2 Rinsate Blanks

Rinsate blanks are obtained under representative field conditions by running analyte-free deionized water through sample collection equipment after decontamination, immediately before sampling and placing it in the appropriate sample containers for analysis. These samples are used to assess the effectiveness of decontamination procedures. Rinsate blanks are prepared at the rate deemed adequate to assure effective decontamination. For this project, rinsate blanks will be collected at the rate of one per two days of sampling.

4.1.2.3 Field Blanks

Field blanks will consist of the source water used in decontamination (includes analyte-free deionized water, potable water from each source, and other waters used in decontamination operations). Field blanks will be prepared at the rate of one per source of water per sampling event.

4.1.2.4 Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicates

A matrix spike sample will be identified by field teams at a frequency of 1 in 20 field samples (per matrix) collected. Samples for matrix spike analyses and laboratory duplicate analysis are collected in triplicate

volumes for aqueous organics (three containers for each analyte group), and duplicate volumes for aqueous metals (two containers). Soil matrix spikes will be collected in double volumes.

4.2 PROJECT ACTION LIMITS AND METHOD DETECTION LIMITS

The action limits and method detection limits for this project are listed in Table 4-1. As a guideline, the project action limits are the PRGs listed for the Contaminants of Concern (COCs), as described in the FS Report (TtNUS 9/02). The method detection limits (MDLs) and quantitation limits (QLs) achievable are listed in Table 4-1 for COCs (selected PAHs, TAL metals and TPH.) Many times, actual sample conditions will dictate the QL, which may be lower or higher than that listed. To accommodate this variability, acceptable project quantitation limits have been set to 10% of the project action limits, (10% of the PRG value). When the laboratory identifies chemicals below the QL, the concentration will be reported as approximate. For this reason, some analytes may be reported below the QL and reported as approximate values.

4.3 SAMPLE DESIGNATION AND CUSTODY

This section describes the sample designation and chain-of-custody requirements for all environmental and quality control samples.

4.3.1 Environmental Samples

Each sample collected will be assigned a unique sample tracking number that will be used to catalog the results of the EGIS database system for NAVSTA Newport. The sample tracking number will consist of alpha-numeric characters identifying the Site, sample medium, location, and depth. Any other pertinent information regarding sample identification will be recorded on the sample logsheets or in the field logbooks.

The alpha-numeric coding to be used in the sample system is detailed below and in the subsequent definitions.

AAA	-	AA	- (NNN)	-	(NNNN)
(Site ID)	-	(Medium)	- (Location)	-	(Depth)

Site identifier: "OFF" for OFFTA

Medium identifier: "SB" for soil sample collected from soil borings;

TABLE 4-1
PROJECT ACTION LIMITS AND QUANTITATION LIMITS
DRAFT WORK PLAN - SOIL PRE-DESIGN INVESTIGATION
OLD FIRE FIGHTING TRAINING AREA
NAVSTA NEWPORT, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND

ANALYTES*	CAS NUMBER	PROJECT ACTION LIMIT (ug/kg) (1)	PROJECT QUANTITATION LIMIT (2)	Achievable Laboratory Limits	
				MDLs (ug/kg)	QLs (ug/kg)
Benzo(a)anthracene	56-55-3	900	90	1.01	20
Benzo(a)pyrene	50-32-8	400	40	0.75	20
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	205-99-2	900	90	2.05	20
Benzo(g,h,l)perylene	191-24-2	800	80	1.71	20
Benzo(k)fluoranthene	207-08-9	900	90	1.35	20
Chrysene	218-01-9	400	40	1.28	20
Dibenzo(a,h)anthracene	53-70-3	400	40	2	20
Indeno(1,2,3-cd)pyrene	193-39-5	900	90	2.01	20
TPH (mg/kg)		500	50	1.06	5
Antimony	7440-35-0	10	1	0.13	0.8
Arsenic	7440-38-2	6.2	0.62	0.18	0.8
Beryllium	7440-41-7	0.4	0.04	0.023	0.5
Lead	7439-92-1	150	15	0.091	0.5
Manganese	7439-96-5	390	39	0.015	0.5

Notes:
Units are expressed in ug/kg (ppb) unless otherwise specified.
NA means Not Applicable or Not Available.
*Analytes are limited to contaminants of concern from FS and action memorandum.
(1) Project Action limits are set as the PRG values for soil calculated in the Feasibility Study (TtNUS Sept. 2002)
(2) Project Quantitation Limits are set as 10% of the project action limits to account for variability in the laboratory quantitation limits.

Sample location identifier: each sample location will be assigned a consecutive number in order of advancement, using 400-series identifiers (e.g. -400, -401, etc.).

Depth: For soil borings, this portion of the sample tracking number will represent the depth in feet below ground surface from which the sample was collected, e.g., for soil samples collected from 2 to 4 feet below ground surface, this portion of the sample tracking number will be "0204", and samples collected from 10 to 12 feet below ground surface, the portion of the tracking number will be "1012", etc.

Examples:

A soil sample collected from boring number 400 at a depth of 2 to 4 feet will be identified as OFF-SB-400-0204.

Quality Control (QC) Samples

Field quality control (QC) samples will use the same coding system as for environmental samples. Field QC sample types are described in Section 4.1.2.

Blind duplicate samples will be designated such that the location designation will be replaced with a chronological number. The sample log sheet will note which sample location the duplicate was collected from:

Duplicates: OFF-DUP##

Field blanks will be designated such that they can clearly be identified as field blanks. The designation must be able to be referenced to the source, i.e. DIUF water, potable water (PTW), etc., using the field sample data forms.

Field Blanks: OFF-DIUF-FB##
OFF-PTW-FB##

Rinsate blanks will be identified using the code for the sample for which the sampling device or tool was last used, the identifier (RB), and its chronological number.

Rinsate Blanks: OFF-SD-404-RB##

Matrix spike samples have no separate sample identifier codes, but are noted on the chain-of-custody record and sample logsheet.

4.3.2 Sample Chain of Custody

Custody of samples must be maintained and documented at all times. To ensure the integrity of a sample from collection through analysis, an accurate written record is necessary to trace the possession and handling of the sample. This documentation is referred to as the "chain of custody". Chain of custody begins when samples are collected in the field, and is maintained by storing the samples in secure areas until custody can be passed on. A chain-of-custody form that lists each sample, the analytical parameters, and the persons who are responsible for their integrity will accompany all samples (an example form is included in Appendix B).

Samples will be placed on ice and attended by TtNUS personnel or placed in locked vehicles or designated storage areas until analysis or shipment to an off-Site laboratory. Chain-of-custody procedures are described in further detail in the SOPs.

4.4 CALIBRATION PROCEDURES

Field equipment normally requiring calibration (i.e. screening instruments) will be calibrated and operated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and manuals. A log will be kept on Site, documenting the periodic calibration results for each field instrument.

Calibration procedures for laboratory equipment used in the analysis of environmental samples will be performed in accordance with NFESC requirements and contract requirements under the Basic Ordering Agreements (BOA).

4.5 LABORATORY ANALYSIS

Samples will be analyzed for various parameters as described in previous sections and in Table 3-1.

A laboratory previously approved by the Navy will analyze the environmental samples collected for laboratory analysis during the field investigation. Standard EPA and ASTM procedures will be employed, as listed in Table 3-2.

4.6 DATA REDUCTION, VALIDATION, AND REPORTING

Laboratory analytical data will be reviewed by qualified TtNUS technical staff, according to EPA-equivalent "Tier I" protocols. A data review memorandum will be prepared and submitted to the project manager as a part of that activity. Data review procedures are described in Section 4.10.

Field data will be periodically reviewed by technical lead personnel and the TtNUS PM to ensure that the data collected are well documented, clearly described, and meet a standard appropriate for the investigation and its ultimate use.

4.7 INTERNAL QUALITY CONTROL

Section 4.1.2 discussed the types and frequency of quality control samples that will be prepared during the field investigation activities for those samples that undergo laboratory analysis. The quantities of various types of QC samples are shown in Table 3-1. Laboratory analysis will follow the QC criteria described in the analytical procedures.

4.8 PERFORMANCE AND SYSTEM AUDITS

System audits will be performed as appropriate to ensure that the work is being implemented in accordance with the approved project SOPs and in an overall satisfactory manner.

- The TtNUS Field Operations Leader (FOL) will supervise and on a daily basis check to ensure that the equipment is properly decontaminated, samples are collected and handled properly, and the fieldwork is accurately and neatly documented.

- The data reviewer(s) will review the data to ensure they were obtained through the approved methodology, and that the appropriate level of QC effort and reporting were conducted. The data review effort will be supervised by the TtNUS CLEAN Quality Assurance Manager or designee.

- The Project Manager (PM) will oversee the FOL and data reviewer, and check that management of the acquired data proceeds in an organized and expeditious manner.

4.9 PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE

TtNUS has established a field equipment maintenance program to ensure the availability of equipment in good working order when and where it is needed. This program consists of the following elements:

- The equipment manager maintains an inventory of the equipment by model and serial number, quantity, and condition. Each item of equipment is signed out when in use and its operating condition and cleanliness is checked upon return.

- The equipment manager conducts routine checks on the status of equipment and is responsible for stocking spare parts and for equipment readiness.

- The equipment manager maintains the equipment manual library and trains field personnel in the proper use and care of equipment.

- The FOL is responsible for working with the equipment manager to ensure that the equipment is tested, cleaned, charged, and calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions before being taken to the job Site.

- While the equipment is in the field, the FOL or designee is responsible for the equipment, maintains calibration records, and performs maintenance operations and checks.

4.10 DATA ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

The following paragraphs describe the procedures used to evaluate data prior to inclusion in report deliverables.

4.10.1 Representativeness, Accuracy, and Precision

All laboratory data generated in the investigation will be assessed for representativeness, accuracy, and precision, as described in Section 4.1. The completeness of the data will also be assessed by comparing the acquired data to the project objectives to see that these objectives are being addressed and met.

Qualified TtNUS personnel will conduct the PARCC parameter assessment. Determining if the data are consistent with known or anticipated chemical conditions and accepted principles will assess the representativeness of the data.

Field measurements will be checked for completeness of procedures and documentation of procedures and results.

Precision and accuracy will be determined using duplicate samples, and blank and spiked samples, respectively. PARCC parameters are addressed in more detail in Section 4.1.

4.10.2 Analytical Data Review

An analytical data review process that includes the following tasks will be carried out:

- Check data for completeness to determine if all samples were analyzed and reported for the parameters requested in the chain-of-custody form.
- Check data report for accuracy of sample identification, sample location, collection date, and units.
- Organize the data tables by sample matrix, sample location, and calculate and report the average of field duplicate results. Consolidate results of two sample dilutions into one set of results.
- Check large positive hits against the raw data to avoid false positive results.
- Submit the data review results with a summary of problems and resolutions in writing.

4.11 CORRECTIVE ACTION

The QA program will enable problems to be identified, controlled, and corrected. Potential problems may involve non-conformance with the SOPs and/or analytical procedures established for the project, or other unforeseen difficulties. Any person identifying an unacceptable condition will notify the FOL and the PM. The PM, with the assistance of the Quality Assurance Manager and the project QA/QC officer, will be responsible for developing and initiating appropriate corrective action and verifying that the corrective action has been effective.

Corrective actions may include re-sampling and/or re-analysis of samples or modifying project procedures. If warranted by the severity of the problem (for example, if a change in the approved work plan is required), the Navy will be notified in writing and their approval will be obtained prior to implementing any change. Additional work that depends on a nonconforming activity will not be performed until the source of the problem has been addressed.

4.12 QUALITY ASSURANCE REPORTS/DOCUMENTS

A bound/weatherproof field logbook will be maintained by the FOL. The FOL or designee will record all information related to sampling or field activities. This information may include sampling time, weather conditions, unusual events, field measurements, photograph description, etc. The Site logbook maintained by the FOL will contain a summary of the day's activities and will reference the other field logbooks when applicable.

At the completion of field activities, the FOL will submit to the PM all field records, data, field logbooks, chain-of-custody receipts, sample logsheets, etc. The PM will ensure that these materials are entered into the project file. Examples of forms to be used in the field are included in Appendix B.

4.13 PRE-DESIGN INVESTIGATION REPORT

A report on the findings of the pre-design investigation will be prepared which will describe sampling procedures, and data collected. The report will show plan view and cross-sectional views of construction debris and soil to be considered for removal actions. A possible outline of the Pre-Design Investigation Report is provided below:

1. Executive Summary
2. Introduction
3. Background Summary of PRGs
4. Summary of Investigations
   - Procedures for sampling
   - Sample locations
5. Findings of the Investigations
   - Horizontal and vertical extent and volume of construction debris
   - Extent of soil contamination
   - Photos of each station
   - Data summary tables
   - Mapped results
   - Mapped topography with high tide line identified
   - Location and identification of vertical and horizontal control
   - Interpretation of standard penetration tests and grain-size analysis
   - Three east-west cross-sections showing the depth to bedrock depth to bottom of debris, surface gradient and interpreted water table elevations.
   - Volume calculations for debris and soil that may require removal.
6. Summary and Conclusions

APPENDIX A

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

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1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to specify a consistent sample nomenclature system that will facilitate subsequent data management in a cost-effective manner. The sample nomenclature system has been devised such that the following objectives can be attained:

- Sorting of data by matrix.
- Sorting of data by depth.
- Maintenance of consistency (field, laboratory, and data base sample numbers).
- Accommodation of all project-specific requirements.
- Accommodation of laboratory sample number length constraints (maximum of 20 characters).

2.0 SCOPE

The methods described in this procedure shall be used consistently for all projects requiring electronic data.

3.0 GLOSSARY

None.

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Program Manager - It shall be the responsibility of the Program Manager (or designee) to inform contract-specific Project Managers of the existence and requirements of this Standard Operating Procedure.

Project Manager - It shall be the responsibility of the Project Manager to determine the applicability of this Standard Operating Procedure based on: (1) program-specific requirements, and (2) project size and objectives. It shall be the responsibility of the Project Manager (or designee) to ensure that the sample nomenclature is thoroughly specified in the relevant project planning document (e.g., sampling and analysis plan) and is consistent with this Standard Operating Procedure if relevant. It shall be the responsibility of the project manager to ensure that the Field Operations Leader is familiar with the sample nomenclature system.

Field Operations Leader - It shall be the responsibility of the Field Operations Leader to ensure that all field technicians or sampling personnel are thoroughly familiar with this Standard Operating Procedure and the project-specific sample nomenclature system. It shall be the responsibility of the Field Operations Leader to ensure that the sample nomenclature system is used during all project-specific sampling efforts.

5.0 PROCEDURES

5.1 Introduction

The sample identification (ID) system can consist of as few as 8 but not more than 20 distinct alpha-numeric characters. The sample ID will be provided to the laboratory on the sample labels and chain-of-custody forms. The basic sample ID provided to the lab has three segments and shall be as follows where "A" indicates "alpha," and "N" indicates "numeric":

A or N 3- or 4-Characters	AAA 2- or 3-Characters	A or N 3- to 6-Characters
Site Identifier	Sample Type	Sample Location

Additional segments may be added as needed. For example:

(1) Soil and Sediment Sample ID

A or N 3- or 4-Characters	AAA 2- or 3-Characters	A or N 3- to 6-Characters	NNNN 4-Characters
Site Identifier	Sample Type	Sample Location	Sample Depth

(2) Aqueous (groundwater or surface water) Sample ID

A or N 3- or 4-Characters	AAA 2- or 3-Characters	A or N 3- to 6-Characters	NN 2-Characters	-A
Site Identifier	Sample type	Sample Location	Round Number	Filtered Sample only

(3) Biota Sample ID

A or N 3- or 4-Characters	AAA 2- or 3-Characters	A or N 3- to 6-Characters	AA 2-Characters	NNN 3-Characters
Site Identifier	Sample Type	Sample Location	Species Identifier	Sample Group Number

5.2 Sample Identification Field Requirements

The various fields in the sample ID will include but are not limited to the following:

- Site Identifier
- Sample Type
- Sample Location
- Sample Depth
- Sampling Round Number
- Filtered
- Species Identifier
- Sample Group Number

The site identifier must be a three- or four-character field (numeric characters, alpha characters, or a mixture of alpha and numeric characters may be used). A site number is necessary since many facilities/sites have multiple individual sites, SWMUs, operable units, etc. Several examples are presented in Section 5.3 of this SOP.

The sample type must be a two- or three-character alpha field. Suggested codes are provided in Section 5.3 of this SOP.

The sample location must be at least a three-character field but may have up to six-characters (alpha, numeric, or a mixture). The six-characters may be useful in identifying a monitoring well to be sampled or describing a grid location.

The sample depth field is used to note the depth below ground surface (bgs) at which a soil or sediment sample is collected. The first two numbers of the four-number code specify the top interval, and the third and fourth specify the bottom interval in feet bgs of the sample. If the sample depth is equal to or greater than 100, then only the top interval would be represented and the sampling depth would be truncated to

three-characters. The depths will be noted in whole numbers only; further detail, if needed, will be recorded on the sample log sheet, boring log, logbook, etc.

A two-digit round number will be used to track the number of aqueous samples taken from a particular aqueous sample location. The first sample collected from a location will be assigned the round identifier 01, the second 02, etc. This applies to both existing and proposed monitoring wells and surface water locations.

Aqueous samples that are field filtered (dissolved analysis) will be identified with an "-F" in the last field segment. No entry in this segment signifies an unfiltered (total) sample.

The species identifier must be a two-character alpha field. Several suggested codes are provided in Section 5.3 of this SOP.

The three digit sample group number will be used to track the number of biota sample groups (a particular group size may be determined by sample technique, media type, the number of individual caught, weight issues, time, etc.) by species and location. The first sample group of a particular species collected from a given location will be assigned the sample group number 001 and the second sample group of the same species collected from the same location will be assigned the sample group number 002.

5.3 Example Sample Field Designations

Examples of each of the fields are as follows:

Site Identifier - Examples of site numbers/designations are as follows:

A01 - Area of Concern Number 1
125 - Solid Waste Management Unit Number 125
000 - Base or Facility Wide Sample (e.g., upgradient well)
BBG - Base Background

The examples cited are only suggestions. Each Project Manager (or designee) must designate appropriate (and consistent) site designations for their individual project.

Sample Type - Examples of sample types are as follows:

AH - Ash Sample
AS - Air Sample
BM - Building Material Sample
BSB - Biota Sample Full Body
BSF - Biota Sample Fillet
CP - Composite Sample
CS - Chip Sample
DS - Drum Sample
DU - Dust Sample
FP - Free Product
IDW - Investigation Derived Waste Sample
LT - Leachate Sample
MW - Monitoring Well Groundwater Sample
OF - Outfall Sample
RW - Residential Well Sample
SB - Soil Boring Sample
SD - Sediment Sample
SC - Scrape Sample

SG - Soil Gas Sample
SL - Sludge Sample
SP - Seep Sample
SS - Surface Soil Sample
ST - Storm Sewer Water Sample
SW - Surface Water Sample
TP - Test Pit Sample
TW - Temporary Well Sample
WC - Well Construction Material Sample
WP - Wipe Sample
WS - Waste/Solid Sample
WW - Wastewater Sample

Sample Location - Examples of the location field are as follows:

001 - Monitoring Well 1
N32E92 - Grid location 32 North and 92 East
D096 - Investigation derived waste drum number 96

Species Identifier - Examples of species identifier are as follows:

BC - Blue Crab
GB - Blue Gill
CO - Corn
SB - Soybean

5.4 Examples of Sample Nomenclature

The first round monitoring well groundwater sample collected from existing monitoring well 001 at SWMU 16 for a filtered sample would be designated as 016MW00101-F.

The second round monitoring well groundwater sample collected from existing monitoring well C20P2 at Site 23 for an unfiltered sample would be designated as 023MWC20P202.

The second surface water sample collected from point 01 at SWMU 130 for an unfiltered sample would be designated as 130SW00102.

A surface soil sample collected from grid location 32 North and 92 East at Site 32 at the 0- to 2-foot interval would be designated as 032SSN32E920002.

A subsurface soil sample from soil boring 03 at SWMU 32 at an interval of 4 to 5 feet bgs would be designated as 032SB0030405.

A sediment sample collected at SWMU 19 from 0 to 6 inches at location 14 would be designated as 019SD0140001. The sample data sheet would reflect the precise depth at which this sample was collected.

During biota sampling for full body analysis the first time a minnow trap was checked at grid location A25 of SWMU 1415 three small blue gills were captured, collected and designated with the sample ID of 1415BSBA25BG001. The second time blue gill were collected at the same location (grid location A25 at SWMU 1415) the sample ID designation given was 1415BSBA25BG002.

Note: No dash (-) or spacing is used between the segments with the exception of the filtered segment. The "F" used for a filtered aqueous sample is preceded by a dash "-F".

5.5 Field Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) Sample Nomenclature)

Field QA/QC will be designated using a different coding system. The QC code will consist of a three- to four-segment alpha-numeric code that identifies the sample QC type, the date the sample was collected, and the number of this type of QC sample collected on that date.

AA	NNNNNN	NN	-F
QC Type	Date	Sequence Number (per day)	Filtered (aqueous only, if needed)

The QC types are identified as:

TB = Trip Blank
RB = Rinsate Blank (Equipment Blank)
FD = Field Duplicate
AB = Ambient Conditions Blank
WB = Source Water Blank

The sampling time recorded on the Chain-of-Custody Form, labels, and tags for duplicate samples will be 0000 so that the samples are "blind" to the laboratory. Notes detailing the sample number, time, date, and type will be recorded on the routine sample log sheets and will document the location of the duplicate sample (sample log sheets are not provided to the laboratory). Documentation for all other QC types (TB, RB, AB, and WB) will be recorded on the QC Sample Log sheet (see SOP on Field Documentation).

5.6 Examples of Field QA/QC Sample Nomenclature

The first duplicate of the day for a filtered ground water sample collected on June 3, 2000 would be designated as FD06030001-F.

The third duplicate of the day taken of a subsurface soil sample collected on November 17, 2003 would be designated as FD11170303.

The first trip blank associated with samples collected on October 12, 2000 would be designated as TB10120001.

The only rinsate blank collected on November 17, 2001 would be designated as RB11170101.

6.0 DEVIATIONS

Any deviation from this SOP must be addressed in detail in the site specific planning documents.

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1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to specify a consistent procedure for the quality assurance review of electronic and hard copy databases. This SOP outlines the requirements for establishment of a Database Record File, Quality Assurance review procedures, and documentation of the Quality Assurance Review Process.

2.0 SCOPE

The methods described in this Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) shall be used consistently for all projects managed by Tetra Tech NUS (TtNUS).

3.0 GLOSSARY

Chain-of-Custody Form - A Chain-of-Custody Form is a printed form that accompanies a sample or a group of samples from the time of sample collection to the laboratory. The Chain-of-Custody Form is retained with the samples during transfer of samples from one custodian to another. The Chain-of-Custody Form is a controlled document that becomes part of the permanent project file. Chain-of-Custody and field documentation requirements are addressed in SOP SA-6.1.

Electronic Database - A database provided on a compact laser disk (CD). Such electronic databases will generally be prepared using public domain software such as DBase, RBase, Oracle, Visual FoxPro, Microsoft Access, Paradox, etc.

Hardcopy Database - A printed copy of a database prepared using the software discussed under the definition of an electronic database.

Form I - A printed copy of the analytical results for each sample.

Sample Tracking Summary - A printed record of sample information including the date the samples were collected, the number of samples collected, the sample matrix, the laboratory to which the samples were shipped, the associated analytical requirements for the samples, the date the analytical data were received from the laboratory, and the date that validation of the sample data was completed.

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Database Records Custodian - It shall be the responsibility of the Database Records Custodian to update and file the Sample Tracking Summaries for all active projects on a weekly basis. It shall be the responsibility of the Database Records Custodian to ensure that the most recent copies of the Sample Tracking Summaries are placed in the Database Records file. It shall be the responsibility of the Database Records Custodian to ensure that a copy of all validation deliverables is provided to the Project Manager (for placement in the project file). It shall be the responsibility of the Database Records Custodian to ensure that photocopies of all validation deliverables and historical data and reports (as applicable) are placed in the Database Records file.

Data Validation Coordinator - It shall be the responsibility of the Data Validation Coordinator (or designee) to ensure that the Sample Tracking Summaries are maintained by the Database Records Custodian. It shall be the responsibility of the Data Validation Coordinator (or designee) to ensure that photocopies of all data validation deliverables are placed in the applicable Database Records file by the Database Records Custodian.

Earth Sciences Department Manager - It shall be the responsibility of the Earth Sciences Department Manager (or equivalent) to ensure that all field personnel are familiar with the requirements of this Standard Operating Procedure (specifically Section 5.5).

FOL - It shall be the responsibility of the FOL (FOL) of each project to ensure that all field technicians or sampling personnel are thoroughly familiar with this SOP, specifically regarding provision of the Chain-of-Custody Forms to the Database Records Custodian. Other responsibilities of the FOL are described in Sections 5.4 and 5.5.

Management Information Systems (MIS) Manager - It shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager to ensure that copies of original electronic deliverables (CDs) are placed in both the project files and the Database Records File. It shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager (or designee) to verify the completeness of the database (presence of all samples) in both electronic and hardcopy form in the Database Records File. It shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager to ensure that Quality Assurance Reviews are completed and are attested to by Quality Assurance Reviewers. It shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager to ensure that records of the Quality Assurance review process are placed in the Database Records File. It shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager to ensure that both electronic and hardcopy forms of the final database are placed in both the project and the Database Record File. It shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager to ensure that data validation qualifiers are entered in the database.

Furthermore, it shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager to participate in project planning at the request of the Project Manager, specifically with respect to the generation of level of effort and schedule estimates. To support the project planning effort, the MIS Manager shall provide a copy of the MIS Request From included as Attachment A to the project manager. It shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager to generate level of effort and budget estimates at the time database support is requested if a budget does not exist at the time of the request. The MIS Request Form shall be provided to the Project Manager at the time of any such requests. It shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager to notify the Project Manager of any anticipated level of effort overruns or schedule noncompliances as soon as such problems arise along with full justification for any deviations from the budget estimates (provided they were generated by the MIS Manager). It shall be the responsibility of the MIS Manager to document any changes to the scope of work dictated by the Project Manager, along with an estimate of the impact of the change on the level of effort and the schedule.

Program/Department Managers - It shall be the responsibility of the Department and/or Program Managers (or designees) to inform their respective department's Project Managers of the existence and requirements of this SOP.

Project Manager - It shall be the responsibility of each Project Manager to determine the applicability of this SOP based on: (1) program-specific requirements, and (2) project size and objectives. It shall be the responsibility of the Project Manager (or designee) to ensure that the FOL is familiar with the requirements regarding Chain-of-Custody Form provision to the Database Records Custodian. It shall be the responsibility of the Project Manager (or designee) to determine which, if any, historical data are relevant and to ensure that such data (including all relevant information such as originating entity, sample locations, sampling dates, etc.) are provided to the Database Records Custodian for inclusion in the Database Records File. It shall be the responsibility of the Project Manager to obtain project planning input regarding the level of effort and schedule from the MIS Manager. It shall be the responsibility of the Project Manager to complete the database checklist (Attachment A) to support the level of effort and schedule estimate and to facilitate database preparation and subroutine execution.

Risk Assessment Department Manager - It shall be the responsibility of the Risk Assessment Department Manager to monitor compliance with this Standard Operating Procedure, to modify this SOP as necessary, and to take corrective action if necessary. Monitoring of the process shall be completed on a quarterly basis.

Quality Assurance Reviewers - It shall be the responsibility of the Quality Assurance Reviewers to verify the completeness of the sample results via review of the Chain-of-Custody Forms and Sample Tracking Summaries. It shall be the responsibility of the Quality Assurance Reviewers to ensure the correctness of the database via direct comparison of the hardcopy printout of the database and the hardcopy summaries of the original analytical data (e.g., Form Is provided in data validation deliverables). Correctness includes the presence of all relevant sample information (all sample information fields), agreement of the laboratory and database analytical results, and the presence of data validation qualifiers.

Quality Manager - It shall be the responsibility of the Quality Manager to monitor compliance with this Standard Operating Procedure via routine audits.

5.0 PROCEDURES

5.1 Introduction

Verification of the accuracy and completeness of an electronic database can only be accomplished via comparison of a hardcopy of the database with hardcopy of all relevant sample information. The primary purposes of this SOP are to ensure that 1) all necessary hardcopy information is readily available to Quality Assurance Reviewers; 2) ensure that the Quality Assurance review is completed in a consistent and comprehensive manner, and; 3) ensure that documentation of the Quality Assurance review process is maintained in the project file.

5.2 File Establishment

A Database Record file shall be established for a specific project at the discretion of the Project Manager. Initiation of the filing procedure will commence upon receipt of the first set of Chain-of-Custody documents from a FOL or sampling technician. The Database Record Custodian shall establish a project-specific file for placement in the Database Record File. Each file in the Database Record File shall consist of standard components placed in the file as the project progresses. Each file shall be clearly labeled with the project number, which shall be placed on the front of the file drawer and on each and every hanging file folder relevant to the project. The following constitute the minimum components of a completed file:

- Electronic Deliverables
- Sample Tracking Forms
- Chain-of-Custody Forms
- Data Validation Letters
- Quality Assurance Records

5.3 Electronic Deliverables

The format of electronic deliverables shall be specified in the laboratory procurement specification and shall be provided by the laboratory. The integrity of all original electronic data deliverables shall be maintained. This shall be accomplished via the generation of copies of each electronic deliverable provided by the laboratory. The original electronic deliverable shall be provided to the project manager for inclusion in the project file. A copy of the original electronic deliverable shall be placed in the Database Record File. The second copy shall be maintained by the MIS Manager (or designee) to be used as a working copy.

5.4 Sample Tracking Forms

Updated versions of the sample tracking form for each relevant project shall be maintained by the Database Record Custodian. The Sample Tracking Forms shall be updated any time additional Chain-of-Custody Forms are received from a FOL or sampling technician, or at any time that data are received from a laboratory, or at any time that validation of a given data package (sample delivery group) is completed. The Data Validation Coordinator shall inform the Database Record Custodian of the receipt of any data packages from the laboratory and of completion of validation of a given data package to facilitate updating of the Sample Tracking Form. The Database Record Custodian shall place a revised copy of the Sample Tracking Form in the Database Record File anytime it has been updated. Copies of the updated Sample Tracking Form shall also be provided to the project manager to apprise the project manager of sample package receipt, completion of validation, etc.

5.5 Chain-of-Custody Forms

The Chain-of-Custody Forms for all sampling efforts will be used as the basis for (1) updating the Sample Tracking Form, and (2) confirming that all required samples and associated analyses have been completed. It shall be the responsibility of the FOL (or sample technician) to provide a photocopy of all Chain-of-Custody Forms to the Database Record Custodian immediately upon completion of a sampling effort. The Database Record Custodian shall then place the copies of the Chain-of-Custody Form(s) in the Database Record File. Upon receipt of a sample data package from an analytical laboratory, the Data Validation Coordinator shall provide a copy of the laboratory Chain-of-Custody Form to the Database Record Custodian. The Database Record Custodian shall use this copy to update the Sample Tracking Summary and shall place the copy of the laboratory-provided Chain-of-Custody Form in the Database Record File. The photocopy of the laboratory-provided Chain-of Custody Form shall be stapled to the previously filed field copy. Upon receipt of all analytical data, two copies of the Chain-of-Custody will therefore be in the file. Review of the Chain-of-Custody Forms will therefore be a simple mechanism to determine if all data have been received. Chain-of-Custody is addressed in SOP SA-6.1.

5.6 Data Validation Letters

All data validation deliverables (or raw data summaries if validation is not conducted) shall be provided for inclusion in both the Database Record File and the project file. If USEPA regional- or client-specific requirements are such that Form Is (or similar analytical results) need not be provided with the validation deliverable, copies of such results must be appended to the deliverable. It is preferable, although not essential that the validation qualifiers be hand-written directly on the data summary forms. The data validation deliverables (and attendant analytical summaries) will provide the basis for direct comparison of the database printout and the raw data and qualifiers.

5.7 Historical Data

At the direction of the Project Manager, historical data may also be included in a project-specific analytical database. In the event that historical data are germane to the project, hardcopy of the historical data must be included in the Database Record File. Historical data may be maintained in the form of final reports or as raw data. The information contained in the historical data file must be sufficient to identify its origin, its collection date, the sample location, the matrix, and any and all other pertinent information. All available analytical data, Chain-of-Custody Forms, boring logs, well construction logs, sample location maps, shall be photocopied by the Project Manager (or designee) and placed in one or more 3-ring binders. All information shall be organized chronologically by matrix. It shall be the responsibility of the Project Manager (or designee) to ensure that all inconsistencies between analytical data, Chain-of-Custody Forms, boring logs, sample log sheets, and field logbooks are identified and corrected. The Project Manager (or designee) shall decide which nomenclature is appropriate and edit, initial and date all relevant forms. Data entry may only be performed on information that has undergone the aforementioned

editing process, thereby having a direct correlation between hardcopy information and what will become the electronic database.

6.0 RECORDS

Records regarding database preparation and quality assurance review include all those identified in the previous section. Upon completion of the database task, records from the file will be forwarded to the Project Manager for inclusion in the project file, or will be placed in bankers boxes (or equivalent) for storage. The final records for storage shall include the following minimum information on placards placed on both the top and end of the storage box:

Database Record File
PROJECT NUMBER: ____
SITE NAME: _____
DATE FILED: __/__/__
SUMMARY OF CONTENTS ENCLOSED
BOX _ OF _

Project- or program-specific record keeping requirements shall take precedence over the record keeping requirements of this SOP.

ATTACHMENT A

MIS REQUEST FORM

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Project Name:
CTO:
Project Manager:
Requestor:
Program/Client:
State/EPA Region:

Request Date:
Date Data Available for Production:
Request in Support of:
Database Lead:
GIS Lead:
Statistics Lead:
Risk Lead:

Site Name(s) (Area, OU, etc.):
Sampling Date(s):
Matrix: ☐ GW ☐ SO ☐ SD ☐ SW ☐ Other:

Labels: ☐ Labels needed for an upcoming sampling event _____ Total # of Samples
_____ Estimated Hours
_____ Due Date
_____ Complete ETS Charge No.
_____ FOL
Additional Instructions:

Data Entry:
☐ Chemical data needs to be entered from hardcopy _____ Estimated # of Samples
☐ Chemical data needs to be formated electronically
☐ Field analytical data needs to be entered from hardcopy
☐ Geologic data needs to be entered from hardcopy
☐ Hydrology data needs to be entered from hardcopy
_____ Estimated Hours
_____ Due Date
_____ Complete ETS Charge No.
Additional Instructions:

Tables:
☐ Full Data Printout
☐ Summary of Positive Hits
☐ Occurance and Distribution ☐ with criteria
☐ Sampling Analytical Summary
☐ Other:
_____ Estimated Hours
_____ Due Date
_____ Complete ETS Charge No.
Additional Instructions:

GIS:
☐ General Facility Location
☐ Site Location
☐ Potentiometric Contours/Groundwater Flow
☐ Sample Location Proposed
☐ Sample Location Existing
☐ Tag Map Single Round
☐ Tag Map Multiple Round
☐ Isoconcentrations
☐ Chart Map
☐ 3D Visualization
☐ EGIS CD
☐ Other:
_____ Estimated Hours
_____ Due Date
_____ Complete ETS Charge No.
Additional Instructions:

Statistics: ☐ Yes
_____ Estimated Hours
_____ Due Date
_____ Complete ETS Charge No.
Additional Instructions:

Geostatistics: ☐ Yes
_____ Estimated Hours
_____ Due Date
_____ Complete ETS Charge No.
Additional Instructions:

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1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to establish standard procedures and technical guidance on borehole and sample logging.

2.0 SCOPE

These procedures provide descriptions of the standard techniques for borehole and sample logging. These techniques shall be used for each boring logged to provide consistent descriptions of subsurface lithology. While experience is the only method to develop confidence and accuracy in the description of soil and rock, the field geologist/engineer can do a good job of classification by careful, thoughtful observation and by being consistent throughout the classification procedure.

3.0 GLOSSARY

None.

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Site Geologist. Responsible for supervising all boring activities and assuring that each borehole is completely logged. If more than one rig is being used on site, the Site Geologist must make sure that each field geologist is properly trained in logging procedures. A brief review or training session may be necessary prior to the start up of the field program and/or upon completion of the first boring.

5.0 PROCEDURES

The classification of soil and rocks is one of the most important jobs of the field geologist/engineer. To maintain a consistent flow of information, it is imperative that the field geologist/engineer understand and accurately use the field classification system described in this SOP. This identification is based on visual examination and manual tests.

5.1 Materials Needed

When logging soil and rock samples, the geologist or engineer may be equipped with the following:

- Rock hammer
- Knife
- Camera
- Dilute hydrochloric acid (HCl)
- Ruler (marked in tenths and hundredths of feet)
- Hand Lens

5.2 Classification of Soils

All data shall be written directly on the boring log (Figure 1) or in a field notebook if more space is needed. Details on filling out the boring log are discussed in Section 5.5.

FIGURE 1
BORING LOG (EXAMPLE)

BORING LOG

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PROJECT NAME: _____ BORING NUMBER: _____
PROJECT NUMBER: _____ DATE: _____
DRILLING COMPANY: _____ GEOLOGIST: _____
DRILLING RIG: _____ DRILLER: _____

Sample No. and Type or RQD	Depth (Ft.) or Run No.	Blows / 6" or RQD (%)	Sample Recovery / Sample Length	Lithology Change (Depth/Ft.) or Screened Interval	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Soil Density/ Consistency or Rock Hardness	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Color	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Material Classification	USCS*	Remarks	PID/FID Reading (ppm): Sample	PID/FID Reading (ppm): Sampler BZ	PID/FID Reading (ppm): Borehole**	PID/FID Reading (ppm): Driller BZ**

* When rock coring, enter rock brokeness.
** Include monitor reading in 6 foot intervals @ borehole. Increase reading frequency if elevated response read.

Remarks: _____

Drilling Area Background (ppm): _____

Converted to Well: Yes _____ No _____ Well I.D. #: _____

FIGURE 1 (CONTINUED)

SOIL TERMS

UNIFIED SOIL CLASSIFICATION (USCS)

COARSE-GRAINED SOILS More Than Half of Material Is LARGER Than No. 200 Sieve Size					FINE-GRAINED SOILS More Than Half of Material is SMALLER Than			
FIELD IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES (Excluding Particles Larger Than 3 Inches and Being Fractions on Estimated Weights)			GROUP SYMBOL	TYPICAL NAMES	FIELD IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES (Excluding Particles Larger Than 3 Inches and Being Fractions on Estimated Weights) Identification Procedures on Fraction Smaller than No. 40 Sieve Size			
						DRY STRENGTH (Crushing Characteristics)	DILATANCY (Reaction to Shaking)	TOUGHNESS (Consistency Near Plastic Limit)
GRAVELS (50%(+)>1/4"Ø	CLEAN GRAVELS (Low % Fines)	Wide range in grain size and substantial amounts of all intermediate particle sizes.	GW	Well graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines.	SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid Limit <50	None to Slight	Quick to Slow	None
		Predominantly one size or a range of sizes with some intermediate sizes missing.	GP	Poorly graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines.		Medium to High	None to Very Slow	Medium
	GRAVELS W/FINES (High % Fines)	Non-plastic fines (for identification procedures, see ML)	GM	Silty gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-silt mixtures		Slight to Medium	Slow	Slight
		Plastic fines (for identification procedures, see CL)	GC	Clayey gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-clay mixtures.	SILTS AND CLAYS Liquid Limit >50	Slight to Medium	Slow to None	Slight to Medium
SANDS 50%(+)<1/4"Ø	CLEAN SANDS (Low % Fines)	Wide range in grain size and substantial amounts of all intermediate particle sizes.	SW	Well graded sand, gravelly sands, little or no fines.		High to Very High	None	High
		Predominantly one size or a range of sizes with some intermediate sizes missing.	SP	Poorly graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines.		Medium to High	None to Very Slow	Slight to Medium
	SANDS W/FINES (High % Fines)	Non-plastic fines (for identification procedures, see MCL)	SM	Silty sands, poorly graded sand-silt mixtures.	HIGHLY ORGANIC SOILS	Readily identified by color, odor, spongy feel and frequently by fibrous texture.		
		Plastic fines (for identification procedures, see CL)	SC	Clayey sands, poorly graded sand-clay mixtures.				

Boundary classifications: Soils possessing characteristics of two groups are designated by combining group symbols. For example, GW-GC, well graded gravel-sand mixture with clay binder.
All sieve sizes on this chart are U.S. Standard.

DENSITY OF GRANULAR SOILS	
DESIGNATION	STANDARD PENETRATION RESISTANCE-BLOWS/FOOT
Very Loose	0-4
Loose	5-10
Medium Loose	11-30
Dense	31-50
Very Dense	Over 50

CONSISTENCY OF COHESIVE SOILS			
CONSISTENCY	UNC COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH (TONS/SQ. FT.)	STANDARD PENETRATION RESISTANCE-BLOWS/FOOT	
Very Soft	Less than 0.25	0 to 2	Easily penetra
Soft	0.25 to 0.50	2 to 4	Easily penetra
Medium Stiff	0.50 to 1.0	4 to 8	Can be penet
Stiff	1.0 to 2.0	8 to 15	Readily indent
Very Stiff	2.0 to 4.0	15 to 30	Readily indent
Hard	More than 4.0	Over 30	Indented with

ROCK TERMS

ROCK HARDNESS (FROM CORE SAMPLES)			ROCK BROKENNESS		
Descriptive Terms	Screwdriver or Knife Effects	Hammer Effects	Descriptive Terms	Abbreviation	Spacing
Soft	Easily Gouged	Crushes when pressed with hammer	Very Broken	(V. Br.)	0-2"
Medium Soft	Can be Gouged	Breaks (one blow); crumbly edges	Broken	(Br.)	2"-1'
Medium Hard	Can be scratched	Breaks (one blow); sharp edges	Blocky	(Bl.)	1'-3'
Hard	Cannot be scratched	Breaks conchoidally (several blows); sharp edges	Massive	(M.)	3'-10'

LEGEND:

SOIL SAMPLES - TYPES	ROCK SAMPLES - TYPES		WATER LEVELS
S-2" Split-Barrel Sample	X-NX (Conventional) Core (~2-1/8" O.D.)	12/18	▽ 12.5' Initial Level w/Date & Depth
ST-3" O.D. Undisturbed Sample	QAQ (Wireline) Core (~1-7/8" O.D.)		
O - Other Samples, Specify in Remarks	Z - Other Core Sizes, Specify in Remarks	12/18	▽ 12.5' Stabilized Level w/Date & Depth

5.2.1 USCS Classification

Soils are to be classified according to the Unified Soil Classification System (USCS). This method of classification is detailed in Figure 1 (Continued).
This method of classification identifies soil types on the basis of grain size and cohesiveness.

Fine-grained soils, or fines, are smaller than the No. 200 sieve and are of two types: silt (M) and clay (C). Some classification systems define size ranges for these soil particles, but for field classification purposes, they are identified by their respective behaviors. Organic material (O) is a common component of soil but has no size range; it is recognized by its composition. The careful study of the USCS will aid in developing the competence and consistency necessary for the classification of soils.

Coarse-grained soils shall be divided into rock fragments, sand, or gravel. The terms sand and gravel not only refer to the size of the soil particles but also to their depositional history. To insure accuracy in description, the term rock fragments shall be used to indicate angular granular materials resulting from the breakup of rock. The sharp edges typically observed indicate little or no transport from their source area, and therefore the term provides additional information in reconstructing the depositional environment of the soils encountered. When the term "rock fragments" is used it shall be followed by a size designation such as "(1/4 inchΦ-1/2 inchΦ)" or "coarse-sand size" either immediately after the entry or in the remarks column. The USCS classification would not be affected by this variation in terms.

5.2.2 Color

Soil colors shall be described utilizing a single color descriptor preceded, when necessary, by a modifier to denote variations in shade or color mixtures. A soil could therefore be referred to as "gray" or "light gray" or "blue-gray." Since color can be utilized in correlating units between sampling locations, it is important for color descriptions to be consistent from one boring to another.

Colors must be described while the sample is still moist. Soil samples shall be broken or split vertically to describe colors. Samplers tend to smear the sample surface creating color variations between the sample interior and exterior.

The term "mottled" shall be used to indicate soils irregularly marked with spots of different colors. Mottling in soils usually indicates poor aeration and lack of good drainage.

Soil Color Charts shall not be used unless specified by the project manager.

5.2.3 Relative Density and Consistency

To classify the relative density and/or consistency of a soil, the geologist is to first identify the soil type. Granular soils contain predominantly sands and gravels. They are noncohesive (particles do not adhere well when compressed). Finer-grained soils (silts and clays) are cohesive (particles will adhere together when compressed).

The density of noncohesive, granular soils is classified according to standard penetration resistances obtained from split-barrel sampling performed according to the methods detailed in Standard Operating Procedures GH-1.3 and SA-1.3. Those designations are:

Designation	Standard Penetration Resistance (Blows per Foot)
Very loose	0 to 4
Loose	5 to 10
Medium dense	11 to 30
Dense	31 to 50
Very dense	Over 50

Standard penetration resistance is the number of blows required to drive a split-barrel sampler with a 2-inch outside diameter 12 inches into the material using a 140-pound hammer falling freely through 30 inches. The sampler is driven through an 18-inch sample interval, and the number of blows is recorded for each 6-inch increment. The density designation of granular soils is obtained by adding the number of blows required to penetrate the last 12 inches of each sample interval. It is important to note that if gravel or rock fragments are broken by the sampler or if rock fragments are lodged in the tip, the resulting blow count will be erroneously high, reflecting a higher density than actually exists. This shall be noted on the log and referenced to the sample number. Granular soils are given the USCS classifications GW, GP, GM, SW, SP, SM, GC, or SC (see Figure 1).

The consistency of cohesive soils is determined by performing field tests and identifying the consistency as shown in Figure 2.

Cohesive soils are given the USCS classifications ML, MH, CL, CH, OL, or OH (see Figure 1).

The consistency of cohesive soils is determined either by blow counts, a pocket penetrometer (values listed in the table as Unconfined Compressive Strength), or by hand by determining the resistance to penetration by the thumb. The pocket penetrometer and thumb determination methods are conducted on a selected sample of the soil, preferably the lowest 0.5 foot of the sample in the split-barrel sampler. The sample shall be broken in half and the thumb or penetrometer pushed into the end of the sample to determine the consistency. Do not determine consistency by attempting to penetrate a rock fragment. If the sample is decomposed rock, it is classified as a soft decomposed rock rather than a hard soil. Consistency shall not be determined solely by blow counts. One of the other methods shall be used in conjunction with it. The designations used to describe the consistency of cohesive soils are shown in Figure 2.

5.2.4 Weight Percentages

In nature, soils are comprised of particles of varying size and shape, and are combinations of the various grain types. The following terms are useful in the description of soil:

Terms of Identifying Proportion of the Component	Defining Range of Percentages by Weight
Trace	0 - 10 percent
Some	11 - 30 percent
Adjective form of the soil type (e.g., "sandy")	31 - 50 percent

FIGURE 2

CONSISTENCY FOR COHESIVE SOILS

Consistency	Standard Penetration Resistance (Blows per Foot)	Unconfined Compressive Strength (Tons/Sq. Foot by pocket penetration)	Field Identification
Very soft	0 to 2	Less than 0.25	Easily penetrated several inches by fist
Soft	2 to 4	0.25 to 0.50	Easily penetrated several inches by thumb
Medium stiff	4 to 8	0.50 to 1.0	Can be penetrated several inches by thumb with moderate effort
Stiff	8 to 15	1.0 to 2.0	Readily indented by thumb but penetrated only with great effort
Very stiff	15 to 30	2.0 to 4.0	Readily indented by thumbnail
Hard	Over 30	More than 4.0	Indented with difficulty by thumbnail

Examples:

- Silty fine sand: 50 to 69 percent fine sand, 31 to 50 percent silt.
- Medium to coarse sand, some silt: 70 to 80 percent medium to coarse sand, 11 to 30 percent silt.
- Fine sandy silt, trace clay: 50 to 68 percent silt, 31 to 49 percent fine sand, 1 to 10 percent clay.
- Clayey silt, some coarse sand: 70 to 89 percent clayey silt, 11 to 30 percent coarse sand.

5.2.5 Moisture

Moisture content is estimated in the field according to four categories: dry, moist, wet, and saturated. In dry soil, there appears to be little or no water. Saturated samples obviously have all the water they can hold. Moist and wet classifications are somewhat subjective and often are determined by the individual's judgment. A suggested parameter for this would be calling a soil wet if rolling it in the hand or on a porous surface liberates water, i.e., dirties or muddies the surface. Whatever method is adopted for describing moisture, it is important that the method used by an individual remains consistent throughout an entire drilling job.

Laboratory tests for water content shall be performed if the natural water content is important.

5.2.6 Stratification

Stratification can only be determined after the sample barrel is opened. The stratification or bedding thickness for soil and rock is depending on grain size and composition. The classification to be used for stratification description is shown in Figure 3.

5.2.7 Texture/Fabric/Bedding

The texture/fabric/bedding of the soil shall be described. Texture is described as the relative angularity of the particles: rounded, subrounded, subangular, and angular. Fabric shall be noted as to whether the particles are flat or bulky and whether there is a particular relation between particles (i.e., all the flat particles are parallel or there is some cementation). The bedding or structure shall also be noted (e.g., stratified, lensed, nonstratified, heterogeneous varved).

5.2.8 Summary of Soil Classification

In summary, soils shall be classified in a similar manner by each geologist/engineer at a project site. The hierarchy of classification is as follows:

- Density and/or consistency
- Color
- Plasticity (Optional)
- Soil types
- Moisture content
- Stratification
- Texture, fabric, bedding
- Other distinguishing features

FIGURE 3

BEDDING THICKNESS CLASSIFICATION

Thickness (metric)	Thickness (Approximate English Equivalent)	Classification
> 1.0 meter	> 3.3'	Massive
30 cm - 1 meter	1.0' - 3.3'	Thick Bedded
10 cm - 30 cm	4" - 1.0'	Medium Bedded
3 cm - 10 cm	1" - 4"	Thin Bedded
1 cm - 3 cm	2/5" - 1"	Very Thin Bedded
3 mm - 1 cm	1/8" - 2/5"	Laminated
1 mm - 3 mm	1/32" - 1/8"	Thinly Laminated
< 1 mm	<1/32"	Micro Laminated

(Weir, 1973 and Ingram, 1954)

5.3 Classification of Rocks

Rocks are grouped into three main divisions: sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic. Sedimentary rocks are by far the predominant type exposed at the earth's surface. The following basic names are applied to the types of rocks found in sedimentary sequences:

- Sandstone - Made up predominantly of granular materials ranging between 1/16 to 2 mm in diameter.
- Siltstone - Made up of granular materials less than 1/16 to 1/256 mm in diameter. Fractures irregularly. Medium thick to thick bedded.
- Claystone - Very fine-grained rock made up of clay and silt-size materials. Fractures irregularly. Very smooth to touch. Generally has irregularly spaced pitting on surface of drilled cores.
- Shale - A fissile very fine-grained rock. Fractures along bedding planes.
- Limestone - Rock made up predominantly of calcite ($CaCO_3$). Effervesces strongly upon the application of dilute hydrochloric acid.
- Coal - Rock consisting mainly of organic remains.
- Others - Numerous other sedimentary rock types are present in lesser amounts in the stratigraphic record. The local abundance of any of these rock types is dependent upon the depositional history of the area. Conglomerate, halite, gypsum, dolomite, anhydrite, lignite, etc. are some of the rock types found in lesser amounts.

In classifying a sedimentary rock the following hierarchy shall be noted:

- Rock type
- Color
- Bedding thickness
- Hardness
- Fracturing
- Weathering
- Other characteristics

5.3.1 Rock Type

As described above, there are numerous types of sedimentary rocks. In most cases, a rock will be a combination of several grain types, therefore, a modifier such as a sandy siltstone, or a silty sandstone can be used. The modifier indicates that a significant portion of the rock type is composed of the modifier. Other modifiers can include carbonaceous, calcareous, siliceous, etc.

Grain size is the basis for the classification of clastic sedimentary rocks. Figure 4 is the Udden-Wentworth classification that will be assigned to sedimentary rocks. The individual boundaries are slightly different than the USCS subdivision for soil classification. For field determination of grain sizes, a scale can be used for the coarse grained rocks. For example, the division between siltstone and claystone may not be measurable in the field. The boundary shall be determined by use of a hand lens. If the grains cannot be seen with the naked eye but are distinguishable with a hand lens, the rock is a siltstone. If the grains are not distinguishable with a hand lens, the rock is a claystone.

FIGURE 4

GRAIN SIZE CLASSIFICATION FOR ROCKS

Particle Name	Grain Size Diameter
Cobbles	> 64 mm
Pebbles	4 - 64 mm
Granules	2 - 4 mm
Very Coarse Sand	1 - 2 mm
Coarse Sand	0.5 - 1 mm
Medium Sand	0.25 - 0.5 mm
Fine Sand	0.125 - 0.25 mm
Very Fine Sand	0.0625 - 0.125 mm
Silt	0.0039 - 0.0625 mm

After Wentworth, 1922

5.3.2 Color

The color of a rock can be determined in a similar manner as for soil samples. Rock core samples shall be classified while wet, when possible, and air cored samples shall be scraped clean of cuttings prior to color classifications.

Rock color charts shall not be used unless specified by the Project Manager.

5.3.3 Bedding Thickness

The bedding thickness designations applied to soil classification (see Figure 3) will also be used for rock classification.

5.3.4 Hardness

The hardness of a rock is a function of the compaction, cementation, and mineralogical composition of the rock. A relative scale for sedimentary rock hardness is as follows:

- Soft - Weathered, considerable erosion of core, easily gouged by screwdriver, scratched by fingernail. Soft rock crushes or deforms under pressure of a pressed hammer. This term is always used for the hardness of the saprolite (decomposed rock which occupies the zone between the lowest soil horizon and firm bedrock).

- Medium soft - Slight erosion of core, slightly gouged by screwdriver, or breaks with crumbly edges from single hammer blow.

- Medium hard - No core erosion, easily scratched by screwdriver, or breaks with sharp edges from single hammer blow.

- Hard - Requires several hammer blows to break and has sharp conchoidal breaks. Cannot be scratched with screwdriver.

Note the difference in usage here of the works "scratch" and "gouge." A scratch shall be considered a slight depression in the rock (do not mistake the scraping off of rock flour from drilling with a scratch in the rock itself), while a gouge is much deeper.

5.3.5 Fracturing

The degree of fracturing or brokenness of a rock is described by measuring the fractures or joint spacing. After eliminating drilling breaks, the average spacing is calculated and the fracturing is described by the following terms:

- Very broken (V. BR.) - Less than 2-inch spacing between fractures
- Broken (BR.) - 2-inch to 1-foot spacing between fractures
- Blocky (BL.) - 1- to 3-foot spacing between fractures
- Massive (M.) - 3 to 10-foot spacing between fractures

The structural integrity of the rock can be approximated by calculating the Rock Quality Designation (RQD) of cores recovered. The RQD is determined by adding the total lengths of all pieces exceeding 4 inches and dividing by the total length of the coring run, to obtain a percentage.

Method of Calculating RQD
(After Deere, 1964)

$$RQD\ \% = r/l \times 100$$

r = Total length of all pieces of the lithologic unit being measured, which are greater than 4 inches length, and have resulted from natural breaks. Natural breaks include slickensides, joints, compaction slicks, bedding plane partings (not caused by drilling), friable zones, etc.

l = Total length of the coring run.

5.3.6 Weathering

The degree of weathering is a significant parameter that is important in determining weathering profiles and is also useful in engineering designs. The following terms can be applied to distinguish the degree of weathering:

- Fresh - Rock shows little or no weathering effect. Fractures or joints have little or no staining and rock has a bright appearance.
- Slight - Rock has some staining which may penetrate several centimeters into the rock. Clay filling of joints may occur. Feldspar grains may show some alteration.
- Moderate - Most of the rock, with exception of quartz grains, is stained. Rock is weakened due to weathering and can be easily broken with hammer.
- Severe - All rock including quartz grains is stained. Some of the rock is weathered to the extent of becoming a soil. Rock is very weak.

5.3.7 Other Characteristics

The following items shall be included in the rock description:

- Description of contact between two rock units. These can be sharp or gradational.
- Stratification (parallel, cross stratified).
- Description of any filled cavities or vugs.
- Cementation (calcareous, siliceous, hematitic).
- Description of any joints or open fractures.
- Observation of the presence of fossils.
- Notation of joints with depth, approximate angle to horizontal, any mineral filling or coating, and degree of weathering.

All information shown on the boring logs shall be neat to the point where it can be reproduced on a copy machine for report presentation. The data shall be kept current to provide control of the drilling program and to indicate various areas requiring special consideration and sampling.

5.3.8 Additional Terms Used in the Description of Rock

The following terms are used to further identify rocks:

- Seam - Thin (12 inches or less), probably continuous layer.
- Some - Indicates significant (15 to 40 percent) amounts of the accessory material. For example, rock composed of seams of sandstone (70 percent) and shale (30 percent) would be "sandstone -- some shale seams."
- Few - Indicates insignificant (0 to 15 percent) amounts of the accessory material. For example, rock composed of seam of sandstone (90 percent) and shale (10 percent) would be "sandstone -- few shale seams."
- Interbedded - Used to indicate thin or very thin alternating seams of material occurring in approximately equal amounts. For example, rock composed of thin alternating seams of sandstone (50 percent) and shale (50 percent) would be "interbedded sandstone and shale."
- Interlayered - Used to indicate thick alternating seams of material occurring in approximately equal amounts.

The preceding sections describe the classification of sedimentary rocks. The following are some basic names that are applied to igneous rocks:

- Basalt - A fine-grained extrusive rock composed primarily of calcic plagioclase and pyroxene.
- Rhyolite - A fine-grained volcanic rock containing abundant quartz and orthoclase. The fine-grained equivalent of a granite.
- Granite - A coarse-grained plutonic rock consisting essentially of alkali feldspar and quartz.
- Diorite - A coarse-grained plutonic rock consisting essentially of sodic plagioclase and hornblende.
- Gabbro - A coarse-grained plutonic rock consisting of calcic plagioclase and clinopyroxene. Loosely used for any coarse-grained dark igneous rock.

The following are some basic names that are applied to metamorphic rocks:

- Slate - A very fine-grained foliated rock possessing a well developed slaty cleavage. Contains predominantly chlorite, mica, quartz, and sericite.
- Phyllite - A fine-grained foliated rock that splits into thin flaky sheets with a silky sheen on cleavage surface.
- Schist - A medium to coarse-grained foliated rock with subparallel arrangement of the micaceous minerals which dominate its composition.
- Gneiss - A coarse-grained foliated rock with bands rich in granular and platy minerals.
- Quartzite - A fine- to coarse-grained nonfoliated rock breaking across grains, consisting essentially of quartz sand with silica cement.

5.4 Abbreviations

Abbreviations may be used in the description of a rock or soil. However, they shall be kept at a minimum. Following are some of the abbreviations that may be used:

C - Coarse	Lt - Light	Yl - Yellow
Med - Medium	BR - Broken	Or - Orange
F - Fine	BL - Blocky	SS - Sandstone
V - Very	M - Massive	Sh - Shale
Sl - Slight	Br - Brown	LS - Limestone
Occ - Occasional	Bl - Black	Fgr - Fine-grained
Tr - Trace		

5.5 Boring Logs and Documentation

This section describes in more detail the procedures to be used in completing boring logs in the field. Information obtained from the preceding sections shall be used to complete the logs. A sample boring log has been provided as Figure 5.

The field geologist/engineer shall use this example as a guide in completing each boring log. Each boring log shall be fully described by the geologist/engineer as the boring is being drilled. Every sheet contains space for 25 feet of log. Information regarding classification details is provided either on the back of the boring log or on a separate sheet, for field use.

5.5.1 Soil Classification

- Identify site name, boring number, job number, etc. Elevations and water level data to be entered when surveyed data is available.

- Enter sample number (from SPT) under appropriate column. Enter depth sample was taken from (1 block = 1 foot). Fractional footages, i.e., change of lithology at 13.7 feet, shall be lined off at the proportional location between the 13- and 14-foot marks. Enter blow counts (Standard Penetration Resistance) diagonally (as shown). Standard penetration resistance is covered in Section 5.2.3.

- Determine sample recovery/sample length as shown. Measure the total length of sample recovered from the split-spoon sampler, including material in the drive shoe. Do not include cuttings or wash material that may be in the upper portion of the sample tube.

- Indicate any change in lithology by drawing a line at the appropriate depth. For example, if clayey silt was encountered from 0 to 5.5 feet and shale from 5.5 to 6.0 feet, a line shall be drawn at this increment. This information is helpful in the construction of cross-sections. As an alternative, symbols may be used to identify each change in lithology.

- The density of granular soils is obtained by adding the number of blows for the last two increments. Refer to Density of Granular Soils Chart on back of log sheet. For consistency of cohesive soils refer also to the back of log sheet - Consistency of Cohesive Soils. Enter this information under the appropriate column. Refer to Section 5.2.3.

FIGURE 5
COMPLETED BORING LOG (EXAMPLE)

BORING LOG

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PROJECT NAME: NSB- SITE
PROJECT NUMBER: 9594
DRILLING COMPANY: SOILTEST CO.
DRILLING RIG: CME-55
BORING NUMBER: SB/MW 1
DATE: 3/8/96
GEOLOGIST: SJ CONTI
DRILLER: R. ROCK

Sample No. and Type or RQD	Depth (Ft.) or Run No.	Blows / 6" or RQD (%)	Sample Recovery / Sample Length	Lithology Change (Depth/Ft.) or Screened Interval	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION: Soil Density/ Consistency or Rock Hardness	Color	Material Classification	USCS*	Remarks	PID/FID Reading (ppm): Sample	Sampler BZ	Borehole**	Driller BZ**
S-1	0.0	7/6	1.5/2.0		M DENSE	BRN	SILTY SAND - SOME	SM	MOIST SL. ORG.	5	0	0	0
@ 0800	2.0	9/10				TO BLK	ROCK FR: TR BRICKS		ODOR				
							(FILL)		FILL TO 4'±				
	4.0			4.0									
S-2 @		5/7	2.0/2.0		M DENSE	BRN	SILTY SAND - TR FINE	SM	MOIST - W ODOR	10	0	-	-
0810	6.0	9/8					GRAVEL		NAT. MATL. TOOK SAMPLE				
	•			7'± ▽					SB01-0406 FOR ANALYSIS				
	8.0			8.0									
S-3 @		6/8	1.9/2.0		DENSE	TAN BRN	FINE TO COARSE SAND	SW	WET	0	0	0	0
0820	10.0	17/16					TR. F. GRAVEL		HIT WATER: 7'±				
	12.0			12.0									
S-4 @		7/6	1.6/2.0		STIFF	GRAY	SILTY CLAY	CL	MOIST → WET	0	.5	-	-
0830	14.0	5/8											
	15.0			15.0					AUGER REF @ 15'				
				11 HSA 16	M HARD	BRN	SILTSTONE	VER	WEATHERED				
									LD & JNTS @ 15.5				
9/5	①		4.0/5.0						WATER STAINS @ 16.5, 17.1, 17.5	0	0	0	0
				19'					LOSING SOME				
	20.0				HARD	GRAY	SANDSTONE - SOME	BR	DRILL H2O @ 17'±				
							SILTSTONE		SET TEMP 6" CAS TO 15.5				
4.0/5.0	②		5.0/5.0						SET 2" Φ PVC SCREEN 16-25	0	0	0	0
									SAND 14-25				
	25.0			25					PELLETS 12-14				

* When rock coring, enter rock brokeness.
** Include monitor reading in 6 foot intervals @ borehole. Increase reading frequency if elevated response read.

• 1-20Z
1-80Z

Drilling Area Background (ppm): 0

Remarks: CME-55 R16, 4¼" ID HSA - 9" OD±
2" SPLIT SPOONS - 140 LB HAMMER - 30" DROP
NX CORE IN BEDROCK RUN ① = 25 min, RUN ② = 15 min

Converted to Well: Yes ✓ No _____ Well I.D. #: MW-1

- Enter color of the material in the appropriate column.
- Describe material using the USCS. Limit this column for sample description only. The predominant material is described last. If the primary soil is silt but has fines (clay) - use clayey silt. Limit soil descriptors to the following:
  - Trace: 0 - 10 percent
  - Some: 11 - 30 percent
  - And/Or: 31 - 50 percent
- Also indicate under Material Classification if the material is fill or natural soils. Indicate roots, organic material, etc.
- Enter USCS symbol - use chart on back of boring log as a guide. If the soils fall into one of two basic groups, a borderline symbol may be used with the two symbols separated by a slash. For example ML/CL or SM/SP.
- The following information shall be entered under the "Remarks" column and shall include, but is not limited by, the following:
  - Moisture - estimate moisture content using the following terms - dry, moist, wet and saturated. These terms are determined by the individual. Whatever method is used to determine moisture, be consistent throughout the log.
  - Angularity - describe angularity of coarse grained particles using the terms angular, subangular, subrounded, or rounded. Refer to ASTM D 2488 or Earth Manual for criteria for these terms.
  - Particle shape - flat, elongated, or flat and elongated.
  - Maximum particle size or dimension.
  - Water level observations.
  - Reaction with HCl - none, weak, or strong.
- Additional comments:
  - Indicate presence of mica, caving of hole, when water was encountered, difficulty in drilling, loss or gain of water.
  - Indicate odor and Photoionization Detector (PID) or Flame Ionization Detector (FID) reading if applicable.
  - Indicate any change in lithology by drawing a line through the lithology change column and indicate the depth. This will help when cross-sections are subsequently constructed.
  - At the bottom of the page indicate type of rig, drilling method, hammer size and drop, and any other useful information (i.e., borehole size, casing set, changes in drilling method).

- Vertical lines shall be drawn (as shown in Figure 5) in columns 6 to 8 from the bottom of each sample to the top of the next sample to indicate consistency of material from sample to sample, if the material is consistent. Horizontal lines shall be drawn if there is a change in lithology, then vertical lines drawn to that point.

- Indicate screened interval of well, as needed, in the lithology column. Show top and bottom of screen. Other details of well construction are provided on the well construction forms.

5.5.2 Rock Classification

- Indicate depth at which coring began by drawing a line at the appropriate depth. Indicate core run depths by drawing coring run lines (as shown) under the first and fourth columns on the log sheet. Indicate RQD, core run number, RQD percent, and core recovery under the appropriate columns.

- Indicate lithology change by drawing a line at the appropriate depth as explained in Section 5.5.1.

- Rock hardness is entered under designated column using terms as described on the back of the log or as explained earlier in this section.

- Enter color as determined while the core sample is wet; if the sample is cored by air, the core shall be scraped clean prior to describing color.

- Enter rock type based on sedimentary, igneous or metamorphic. For sedimentary rocks use terms as described in Section 5.3. Again, be consistent in classification. Use modifiers and additional terms as needed. For igneous and metamorphic rock types use terms as described in Sections 5.3.8.

- Enter brokenness of rock or degree of fracturing under the appropriate column using symbols VBR, BR, BL, or M as explained in Section 5.3.5 and as noted on the back of the Boring Log.

- The following information shall be entered under the remarks column. Items shall include but are not limited to the following:

  - Indicate depths of joints, fractures and breaks and also approximate to horizontal angle (such as high, low), i.e., 70° angle from horizontal, high angle.
  - Indicate calcareous zones, description of any cavities or vugs.
  - Indicate any loss or gain of drill water.
  - Indicate drop of drill tools or change in color of drill water.

- Remarks at the bottom of Boring Log shall include:

  - Type and size of core obtained.
  - Depth casing was set.
  - Type of rig used.

- As a final check the boring log shall include the following:

  - Vertical lines shall be drawn as explained for soil classification to indicate consistency of bedrock material.

  - If applicable, indicate screened interval in the lithology column. Show top and bottom of screen. Other details of well construction are provided on the well construction forms.

5.5.3 Classification of Soil and Rock from Drill Cuttings

The previous sections describe procedures for classifying soil and rock samples when cores are obtained. However, some drilling methods (air/mud rotary) may require classification and borehole logging based on identifying drill cuttings removed from the borehole. Such cuttings provide only general information on subsurface lithology. Some procedures that shall be followed when logging cuttings are:

- Obtain cutting samples at approximately 5-foot intervals, sieve the cuttings (if mud rotary drilling) to obtain a cleaner sample, place the sample into a small sample bottle or "zip lock" bag for future reference, and label the jar or bag (i.e. hole number, depth, date, etc.). Cuttings shall be closely examined to determine general lithology.
- Note any change in color of drilling fluid or cuttings, to estimate changes in lithology.
- Note drop or chattering of drilling tools or a change in the rate of drilling, to determine fracture locations or lithologic changes.
- Observe loss or gain of drilling fluids or air (if air rotary methods are used), to identify potential fracture zones.
- Record this and any other useful information onto the boring log as provided in Figure 1.

This logging provides a general description of subsurface lithology and adequate information can be obtained through careful observation of the drilling process. It is recommended that split-barrel and rock core sampling methods be used at selected boring locations during the field investigation to provide detailed information to supplement the less detailed data generated through borings drilled using air/mud rotary methods.

5.6 Review

Upon completion of the borings logs, copies shall be made and reviewed. Items to be reviewed include:

- Checking for consistency of all logs.
- Checking for conformance to the guideline.
- Checking to see that all information is entered in their respective columns and spaces.

6.0 REFERENCES

Unified Soil Classification System (USCS).

ASTM D2488, 1985.

Earth Manual, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1974.

7.0 RECORDS

Originals of the boring logs shall be retained in the project files.

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1.0 PURPOSE

This procedure discusses the methods used to collect surface, near surface, and subsurface soil samples. Additionally, it describes the method for sampling of test pits and trenches to determine subsurface soil and rock conditions, and recover small-volume or bulk samples.

2.0 SCOPE

This procedure is applicable to the collection of surface, near surface and subsurface soils for laboratory testing, which are exposed through hand digging, hand augering, drilling, or machine excavating at hazardous substance sites.

3.0 GLOSSARY

Composite Sample - A composite sample exists as a combination of more than one sample at various locations and/or depths and times, which is homogenized and treated as one sample. This type of sample is usually collected when determination of an average waste concentration for a specific area is required. Composite samples are not to be collected for volatile organics analysis.

Grab Sample - One sample collected at one location and at one specific time.

Non-Volatile Sample - A non-volatile sample includes all other chemical parameters (e.g., semivolatiles, pesticides/PCBs, metals, etc.) and those engineering parameters that do not require undisturbed soil for their analysis.

Hand Auger - A sampling device used to extract soil from the ground in a relatively undisturbed form.

Thin-Walled Tube Sampler - A thin-walled metal tube (also called a Shelby tube) used to recover relatively undisturbed soil samples. These tubes are available in various sizes, ranging from 2 to 5 inches outside diameter (OD) and from 18 to 54 inches in length.

Split-Barrel Sampler - A steel tube, split in half lengthwise, with the halves held together by threaded collars at either end of the tube. Also called a split-spoon sampler, this device can be driven into resistant materials using a drive weight mounted in the drilling string. A standard split-barrel sampler is typically available in two common lengths, providing either 20-inch or 26-inch longitudinal clearance for obtaining 18-inch or 24-inch-long samples, respectively. These split-barrel samplers commonly range in size from 2-inch OD to 3-1/2 inch OD. The larger sizes are commonly used when a larger volume of sample material is required.

Test Pit and Trench - Open, shallow excavations, typically rectangular (if a test pit) or longitudinal (if a trench), excavated to determine the shallow subsurface conditions for engineering, geological, and soil chemistry exploration and/or sampling purposes. These pits are excavated manually or by machine (e.g., backhoe, clamshell, trencher excavator, or bulldozer).

Confined Space - As stipulated in 29 CFR 1910.146, a confined space means a space that: 1) is large enough and so configured that an employee can bodily enter and perform assigned work; 2) has limited or restricted means for entry or exit (for example tanks, vessels, silos, storage bins, hoppers, vaults, pits, and excavations); and 3) is not designed for continuous employee occupancy. TtNUS considers all confined space as permit-required confined spaces.

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Project Manager - The Project Manager is responsible for determining sampling objectives, as well as, the field procedures used in the collection of soil samples. Additionally, in consultation with other project personnel (geologist, hydrogeologist, etc.), the Project Manager establishes the need for test pits or trenches, and determines their approximate locations and dimensions.

Site Safety Officer (SSO) - The SSO (or a qualified designee) is responsible for providing the technical support necessary to implement the project Health and Safety Plan. This will include (but not be limited to) performing air quality monitoring during sampling, boring and excavation activities, and to ensure that workers and offsite (downwind) individuals are not exposed to hazardous levels of airborne contaminants. The SSO/designee may also be required to advise the FOL on other safety-related matters regarding boring, excavation and sampling, such as mitigative measures to address potential hazards from unstable trench walls, puncturing of drums or other hazardous objects, etc.

Field Operations Leader (FOL) - The FOL is responsible for finalizing the location of surface, near surface, and subsurface (hand and machine borings, test pits/trenches) soil samples. He/she is ultimately responsible for the sampling and backfilling of boreholes, test pits and trenches, and for adherence to OSHA regulations during these operations.

Project Geologist/Sampler - The project geologist/sampler is responsible for the proper acquisition of soil samples and the completion of all required paperwork (i.e., sample log sheets, field notebook, boring logs, test pit logs, container labels, custody seals, and chain-of-custody forms).

Competent Person - A Competent Person, as defined in 29 CFR 1929.650 of Subpart P - Excavations, means one who is capable of identifying existing and predictable hazards in the surroundings, or working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous, or dangerous to employees, and who has authorization to take prompt corrective measures to eliminate them.

5.0 PROCEDURES

5.1 Overview

Soil sampling is an important adjunct to groundwater monitoring. Sampling of the soil horizons above the groundwater table can detect contaminants before they have migrated into the water table, and can establish the amount of contamination sorbed on aquifer solids that have the potential of contributing to groundwater contamination.

Soil types can vary considerably on a hazardous waste site. These variations, along with vegetation, can affect the rate of contaminant migration through the soil. It is important, therefore, that a detailed record be maintained during the sampling operations, particularly noting the location, depth, and such characteristics as grain size, color, and odor. Subsurface conditions are often stable on a daily basis and may demonstrate only slight seasonal variation especially with respect to temperature, available oxygen and light penetration. Changes in any of these conditions can radically alter the rate of chemical reactions or the associated microbiological community, thus further altering specific site conditions. As a result, samples must be kept at their at-depth temperature or lower, protected from direct light, sealed tightly in approved glass containers, and be analyzed as soon as possible.

The physical properties of the soil, its grain size, cohesiveness, associated moisture, and such factors as depth to bedrock and water table, will limit the depth from which samples can be collected and the method required to collect them. Often this information on soil properties can be obtained from published soil surveys available through the U.S. Geological Surveys and other government or farm agencies. It is the

intent of this procedure to present the most commonly employed soil sampling methods used at hazardous waste sites.

5.2 Soil Sample Collection

5.2.1 Procedure for Collecting Soil Samples for Volatile Organic Compounds

The above described traditional sampling techniques, used for the collection of soil samples for volatile organic analysis, have recently been evaluated by the scientific community and determined to be ineffective in producing accurate results (biased low) due to the loss of volatile organics in the sampling stages and microbial degradation of aromatic volatiles. One of the newly adopted sampling procedures for collecting soil samples includes the field preservation of samples with methanol or sodium bisulfate to minimize volatilization and biodegradation. These preservation methods may be performed either in the field or laboratory, depending on the sampling methodology employed.

Soil samples to be preserved by the laboratory are currently being performed using method SW-846, 5035. Laboratories are currently performing low level analyses (sodium bisulfate preservation) and high level analyses (methanol preservation) depending on the end users needs.

It should be noted that a major disadvantage of the methanol preservation method is that the laboratory reporting limits will be higher than conventional testing. The reporting levels using the new method for most analytes are 0.5 µg/g for GC/MS and 0.05 µg/g for GC methods.

The alternative preservation method for collecting soil samples is with sodium bisulfate. This method is more complex to perform in the field and therefore is not preferred for field crews. It should also be noted that currently, not all laboratories have the capabilities to perform this analysis. The advantage to this method is that the reporting limits (0.001 µg/g for GC/PID or GC/ELCD, or 0.010 for GC/MS) are lower than those described above.

The following procedures outline the necessary steps for collecting soil samples to be preserved at the laboratory, and for collecting soil samples to be preserved in the field with methanol or sodium bisulfate.

5.2.1.1 Soil Samples to be Preserved at the Laboratory

Soil samples collected for volatile organics that are to be preserved at the laboratory will be obtained using a hermetically sealed sample vial such as an EnCore™ sampler. Each sample will be obtained using a reusable sampling handle provided with the EnCore™ sampler. The sample is collected by pushing the EnCore™ sampler directly into the soil, ensuring that the sampler is packed tight with soil, leaving zero headspace. Using this type of sampling device eliminates the need for field preservation and the shipping restrictions associated with preservatives. A complete set of instructions is included with each Encore™ sampler shipment by the manufacturer.

Once the sample is collected, it should be placed on ice immediately and shipped to the laboratory within 48 hours (following the chain-of-custody and documentation procedures outlined in SOP SA-6.1). Samples must be preserved by the laboratory within 48 hours of sample collection.

If the lower detection limits are necessary, an option would be to collect several EnCore™ samplers at a given sample location. Send all samplers to the laboratory and the laboratory can perform the required preservation and analyses.

5.2.1.2 Soil Samples to be Preserved in the Field

Soil samples preserved in the field may be prepared for analyses using both the low-level (sodium bisulfate preservation) method and medium-level (methanol preservation) method.

Methanol Preservation (Medium Level):

Soil samples to be preserved in the field with methanol will utilize 40-60 mL glass vials with septum lids. Each sample bottle will be filled with 25 mL of demonstrated analyte-free purge and trap grade methanol. Bottles may be prespiked with methanol in the laboratory or prepared in the field.

Soil will be collected with the use of a decontaminated (or disposable), small-diameter coring device such as a disposable tube/plunger-type syringe with the tip cut off. The outside diameter of the coring device must be smaller than the inside diameter of the sample bottle neck.

A small electronic balance or manual scale will be necessary for measuring the volume of soil to be added to the methanol preserved sample bottle. Calibration of the scale should be performed prior to use and intermittently throughout the day according to the manufacturers requirements.

The sample should be collected by pulling the plunger back and inserting the syringe into the soil to be sampled. The top several inches of soil should be removed before collecting the sample. Approximately 10 grams $\pm$2g (8-12 grams) of soil should be collected. The sample should be weighed and adjusted until obtaining the required amount of sample. The sample weight should be recorded to the nearest 0.01 gram in the field logbook and/or sample log sheet. The soil should then be extruded into the methanol preserved sample bottle taking care not to contact the sample container with the syringe. The threads of the bottle and cap must be free of soil particles.

After capping the bottle, swirl the sample (do not shake) in the methanol and break up the soil such that all of the soil is covered with methanol. Place the sample on ice immediately and prepare for shipment to the laboratory as described in SOP SA-6.1.

Sodium Bisulfate Preservation (Low Level):

Samples to be preserved using the sodium bisulfate method are to be prepared as follows:

Add 1 gram of sodium bisulfate to 5 mL of laboratory grade deionized water in a 40-60 mL glass vial with septum lid. Bottles may be prespiked in the laboratory or prepared in the field. The soil sample should be collected in a manner as described above and added to the sample container. The sample should be weighed to the nearest 0.01 gram as described above and recorded in the field logbook or sample log sheet.

Care should be taken when adding the soil to the sodium bisulfate solution. A chemical reaction of soils containing carbonates (limestone) may cause the sample to effervesce or the vial to possibly explode.

When preparing samples using the sodium bisulfate preservation method, duplicate samples must be collected using the methanol preservation method on a one for one sample basis. The reason for this is because it is necessary for the laboratory to perform both the low level and medium level analyses. Place the sample on ice immediately and prepare for shipment to the laboratory as described in SOP SA-6.1.

If the lower detection limits are necessary, an option to field preserving with sodium bisulfate would be to collect 3 EnCore™ samplers at a given sample location. Send all samplers to the laboratory and the laboratory can perform the required preservation and analyses.

5.2.2 Procedure for Collecting Non-Volatile Soil Samples

Non-volatile soil samples may be collected as either grab or composite samples. The non-volatile soil sample is thoroughly mixed in a stainless steel or disposable, inert plastic tray, using a stainless steel trowel or other approved tool, then transferred into the appropriate sample container(s). Head space is permitted in a non-volatile soil sample container to allow for sample expansion.

5.2.3 Procedure for Collecting Undisturbed Soil Samples (ASTM D1587-83)

When it is necessary to acquire undisturbed samples of soil for purposes of engineering parameter analysis (e.g., permeability), a thin-walled, seamless tube sampler (Shelby tube) will be employed. The following method will be used:

1. Remove all surface debris (e.g., vegetation, roots, twigs, etc.) from the specific sampling location and drill and clean out the borehole to the sampling depth, being careful to minimize the chance for disturbance of the material to be sampled. In saturated material, withdraw the drill bit slowly to prevent loosening of the soil around the borehole and to maintain the water level in the hole at or above groundwater level.

2. The use of bottom discharge bits or jetting through an open-tube sampler to clean out the borehole shall not be allowed. Use of any side-discharge bits is permitted.

3. A stationary piston-type sampler may be required to limit sample disturbance and aid in retaining the sample. Either the hydraulically operated or control rod activated-type of stationary piston sampler may be used. Prior to inserting the tube sampler into the borehole, check to ensure that the sampler head contains a check valve. The check valve is necessary to keep water in the rods from pushing the sample out the tube sampler during sample withdrawal and to maintain a suction within the tube to help retain the sample.

4. To minimize chemical reaction between the sample and the sampling tube, brass tubes may be required, especially if the tube is stored for an extended time prior to testing. While steel tubes coated with shellac are less expensive than brass, they're more reactive, and shall only be used when the sample will be tested within a few days after sampling or if chemical reaction is not anticipated. With the sampling tube resting on the bottom of the hole and the water level in the boring at groundwater level or above, push the tube into the soil by a continuous and rapid motion, without impacting or twisting. In no case shall the tube be pushed farther than the length provided for the soil sample. Allow about 3 inches in the tube for cuttings and sludge.

5. Upon removal of the sampling tube from the hole, measure the length of sample in the tube and also the length penetrated. Remove disturbed material in the upper end of the tube and measure the length of sample again. After removing at least an inch of soil from the lower end and after inserting an impervious disk, seal both ends of the tube with at least a 1/2-inch thickness of wax applied in a way that will prevent the wax from entering the sample. Clean filler must be placed in voids at either end of the tube prior to sealing with wax. Place plastic caps on the ends of the sample tube, tape the caps in place, and dip the ends in wax.

6. Affix label(s) to the tube as required and record sample number, depth, penetration, and recovery length on the label. Mark the "up" direction on the side of the tube with indelible ink, and mark the end of the sample. Complete Chain-of-Custody (see SOP SA-6.3) and other required forms (including Attachment A of this SOP). Do not allow tubes to freeze, and store the samples vertically with the same orientation they had in the ground, (i.e., top of sample is up) in a cool place out of the sun at all times. Ship samples protected with suitable resilient packing material to reduce shock, vibration, and disturbance.

Thin-walled undisturbed tube samplers are restricted in their usage by the consistency of the soil to be sampled. Often, very loose and/or wet samples cannot be retrieved by the samplers, and soils with a consistency in excess of very stiff cannot be penetrated by the sampler. Devices such as Dennison or Pitcher core samplers can be used to obtain undisturbed samples of stiff soils. Using these devices normally increases sampling costs, and therefore their use shall be weighed against the need for acquiring an undisturbed sample.

5.3 Surface Soil Sampling

The simplest, most direct method of collecting surface soil samples (most commonly collected to a depth of 6 inches) for subsequent analysis is by use of a stainless steel trowel. Surface soils are considered 0-12 inches bgs.

In general, the following equipment is necessary for obtaining surface soil samples:

- Stainless steel or pre-cleaned disposable trowel.
- Real-time air monitoring instrument (e.g., PID, FID, etc.).
- Latex gloves.
- Required Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
- Required paperwork (see SOP SA-6.3 and Attachment A of this SOP).
- Required decontamination equipment.
- Required sample container(s).
- Wooden stakes or pin flags.
- Sealable polyethylene bags (i.e., Ziploc® baggies).
- Heavy duty cooler.
- Ice.
- Chain-of-custody records and custody seals.

When acquiring surface soil samples, the following procedure shall be used:

1. Carefully remove vegetation, roots, twigs, litter, etc., to expose an adequate soil surface area to accommodate sample volume requirements.

2. Using a decontaminated stainless steel trowel, follow the procedure cited in Section 5.2.1 for collecting a volatile soil sample. Surface soil samples for volatile organic analysis should be collected from 6-12 inches bgs only.

3. Thoroughly mix (in-situ) a sufficient amount of soil to fill the remaining sample containers and transfer the sample into those containers utilizing the same stainless steel trowel employed above. Cap and securely tighten all sample containers.

4. Affix a sample label to each container. Be sure to fill out each label carefully and clearly, addressing all the categories described in SOP SA-6.3.

5. Proceed with the handling and processing of each sample container as described in SOP SA-6.2.

5.4 Near-Surface Soil Sampling

Collection of samples from near the surface (depth of 6-18 inches) can be accomplished with tools such as shovels and stainless steel or pre-cleaned disposable trowels.

The following equipment is necessary to collect near surface soil samples:

- Clean shovel.
- The equipment listed under Section 5.3 of this procedure.
- Hand auger.

To obtain near-surface soil samples, the following protocol shall be observed:

1. With a clean shovel, make a series of vertical cuts to the depth required in the soil to form a square approximately 1 foot by 1 foot.

2. Lever out the formed plug and scrape the bottom of the freshly dug hole with a decontaminated stainless steel or pre-cleaned disposable trowel to remove any loose soil.

3. Follow steps 2 through 5 listed under Section 5.3 of this procedure.

5.5 Subsurface Soil Sampling With a Hand Auger

A hand augering system generally consists of a variety of all stainless steel bucket bits (i.e., cylinders 6-1/2" long, and 2-3/4", 3-1/4", and 4" in diameter), a series of extension rods (available in 2', 3', 4' and 5' lengths), and a cross handle. A larger diameter bucket bit is commonly used to bore a hole to the desired sampling depth and then withdrawn. In turn, the larger diameter bit is replaced with a smaller diameter bit, lowered down the hole, and slowly turned into the soil at the completion depth (approximately 6 inches). The apparatus is then withdrawn and the soil sample collected.

The hand auger can be used in a wide variety of soil conditions. It can be used to sample soil both from the surface, or to depths in excess of 12 feet. However, the presence of rock layers and the collapse of the borehole normally contribute to its limiting factors.

To accomplish soil sampling using a hand augering system, the following equipment is required:

- Complete hand auger assembly (variety of bucket bit sizes).
- Stainless steel mixing bowls.
- The equipment listed under Section 5.3 of this procedure.

To obtain soil samples using a hand auger, the following procedure shall be followed:

1. Attach a properly decontaminated bucket bit to a clean extension rod and further attach the cross handle to the extension rod.

2. Clear the area to be sampled of any surface debris (vegetation, twigs, rocks, litter, etc.).

3. Begin augering (periodically removing accumulated soils from the bucket bit) and add additional rod extensions as necessary. Also, note (in a field notebook, boring log, and/or on standardized data sheets) any changes in the color, texture or odor of the soil.

4. After reaching the desired depth, slowly and carefully withdraw the apparatus from the borehole.

5. Remove the soiled bucket bit from the rod extension and replace it with another properly decontaminated bucket bit. The bucket bit used for sampling is commonly smaller in diameter than the bucket bit employed to initiate the borehole.

6. Carefully lower the apparatus down the borehole. Care must be taken to avoid scraping the borehole sides.

7. Slowly turn the apparatus until the bucket bit is advanced approximately 6 inches.

8. Discard the top of the core (approximately 1"), which represents any loose material collected by the bucket bit before penetrating the sample material.

9. Fill volatile sample container(s), using a properly decontaminated stainless steel trowel, with sample material directly from the bucket bit. Refer to Section 5.2.1 of this procedure.

10. Utilizing the above trowel, remove the remaining sample material from the bucket bit and place into a properly decontaminated stainless steel mixing bowl and thoroughly homogenize the sample material prior to filling the remaining sample containers. Refer to Section 5.2.2 of this procedure.

11. Follow steps 4 and 5 listed under Section 5.3 of this procedure.

5.6 Subsurface Soil Sampling With a Split-Barrel Sampler (ASTM D1586-84)

Split-barrel (split-spoon) samplers consist of a heavy carbon steel or stainless steel sampling tube that can be split into two equal halves to reveal the soil sample (see Attachment B). A drive head is attached to the upper end of the tube and serves as a point of attachment for the drill rod. A removable tapered nosepiece/drive shoe attaches to the lower end of the tube and facilitates cutting. A basket-like sample retainer can be fitted to the lower end of the split tube to hold loose, dry soil samples in the tube when the sampler is removed from the drill hole. This split-barrel sampler is made to be attached to a drill rod and forced into the ground by means of a 140-lb. or larger casing driver.

Split-barrel samplers are used to collect soil samples from a wide variety of soil types and from depths greater than those attainable with other soil sampling equipment.

The following equipment is used for obtaining split-barrel samples:

- Drilling equipment (provided by subcontractor).
- Split-barrel samplers (O.D. 2 inches, I.D. 1-3/8 inches, either 20 inches or 26 inches long); Larger O.D. samplers are available if a larger volume of sample is needed.
- Drive weight assembly, 140-lb. weight, driving head and guide permitting free fall of 30 inches.
- Stainless steel mixing bowls.
- Equipment listed under Section 5.3 of this procedure.

The following steps shall be followed to obtain split-barrel samples:

1. Remove the drive head and nosepiece, and open the sampler to reveal the soil sample. Immediately scan the sample core with a real-time air monitoring instrument (e.g., FID, PID, etc.). Carefully separate the soil core, with a decontaminated stainless steel knife or trowel, at about 6-inch intervals while scanning the center of the core for elevated readings. Also scan stained soil, soil lenses, and anomalies (if present), and record readings.

2. Collect the volatile sample from the center of the core where elevated readings occurred. If no elevated readings where encountered the sample material should still be collected from the core's

center (this area represents the least disturbed area with minimal atmospheric contact). Refer to Section 5.2.1 of this procedure.

3. Using the same trowel, remove remaining sample material from the split-barrel sampler (except for the small portion of disturbed soil usually found at the top of the core sample) and place the soil into a decontaminated stainless steel mixing bowl. Thoroughly homogenize the sample material prior to filling the remaining sample containers. Refer to Section 5.2.2 of this procedure.

4. Follow steps 4 and 5 listed under Section 5.3 of this procedure.

5.7 Subsurface Sol Sampling Using Direct Push Technology

Subsurface soil samples can be collected to depths of 40+ feet using direct push technology (DPT). DPT equipment, responsibilities, and procedures are described in SOP SA-2.5.

5.8 Excavation and Sampling of Test Pits and Trenches

5.8.1 Applicability

This subsection presents routine test pit or trench excavation techniques and specialized techniques that are applicable under certain conditions.

During the excavation of trenches or pits at hazardous waste sites, several health and safety concerns arise which control the method of excavation. No personnel shall enter any test pit or excavation over 4 feet deep except as a last resort, and then only under direct supervision of a Competent Person (as defined in 29 CFR 1929.650 of Subpart P - Excavations). Whenever possible, all required chemical and lithological samples should be collected using the excavator bucket or other remote sampling apparatus. If entrance is still required, all test pits or excavations must be stabilized by bracing the pit sides using specifically designed wooden or steel support structures. Personnel entering the excavation may be exposed to toxic or explosive gases and oxygen-deficient environments. Any entry may constitute a Confined Space and must be done in conformance with all applicable regulations. In these cases, substantial air monitoring is required before entry, and appropriate respiratory gear and protective clothing is mandatory. There must be at least two persons present at the immediate site before entry by one of the investigators. The reader shall refer to OSHA regulations 29 CFR 1926, 29 CFR 1910.120, 29 CFR 1910.134, and 29 CFR 1910.146.

Excavations are generally not practical where a depth of more than about 15 feet is desired, and they are usually limited to a few feet below the water table. In some cases, a pumping system may be required to control water levels within the pit, providing that pumped water can be adequately stored or disposed. If data on soils at depths greater than 15 feet are required, the data are usually obtained through test borings instead of test pits.

In addition, hazardous wastes may be brought to the surface by excavation equipment. This material, whether removed from the site or returned to the subsurface, must be properly handled according to any and all applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

5.8.2 Test Pit and Trench Excavation

These procedures describe the methods for excavating and logging test pits and trenches excavated to determine subsurface soil and rock conditions. Test pit operations shall be logged and documented (see Attachment C).

Test pits and trenches may be excavated by hand or by power equipment to permit detailed description of the nature and contamination of the in-situ materials. The size of the excavation will depend primarily on the following:

- The purpose and extent of the exploration.
- The space required for efficient excavation.
- The chemicals of concern.
- The economics and efficiency of available equipment.

Test pits normally have a cross section that is 4 to 10 feet square; test trenches are usually 3 to 6 feet wide and may be extended for any length required to reveal conditions along a specific line. The following table, which is based on equipment efficiencies, gives a rough guide for design consideration:

Equipment	Typical Widths, in Feet
Trenching machine	2
Backhoe	2-6
Track dozer	10
Track loader	10
Excavator	10
Scraper	20

The lateral limits of excavation of trenches and the position of test pits shall be carefully marked on area base maps. If precise positioning is required to indicate the location of highly hazardous waste materials, nearby utilities, or dangerous conditions, the limits of the excavation shall be surveyed. Also, if precise determination of the depth of buried materials is needed for design or environmental assessment purposes, the elevation of the ground surface at the test pit or trench location shall also be determined by survey. If the test pit/trench will not be surveyed immediately, it shall be backfilled and its position identified with stakes placed in the ground at the margin of the excavation for later surveying.

The construction of test pits and trenches shall be planned and designed in advance as much as possible. However, field conditions may necessitate revisions to the initial plans. The final depth and construction method shall be determined by the field geologist. The actual layout of each test pit, temporary staging area, and spoils pile will be predicated based on site conditions and wind direction at the time the test pit is made. Prior to excavation, the area can be surveyed by magnetometer or metal detector to identify the presence of underground utilities or drums.

As mentioned previously, no personnel shall enter any test pit or excavation except as a last resort, and then only under direct supervision of a Competent Person. If entrance is still required, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements must be met (e.g., walls must be braced with wooden or steel braces, ladders must be in the hole at all times, and a temporary guardrail must be placed along the surface of the hole before entry). It is emphasized that the project data needs should be structured such that required samples can be collected without requiring entrance into the excavation. For example, samples of leachate, groundwater, or sidewall soils can be taken with telescoping poles, etc.

Dewatering may be required to assure the stability of the side walls, to prevent the bottom of the pit from heaving, and to keep the excavation dry. This is an important consideration for excavations in cohesionless material below the groundwater table. Liquids removed as a result of dewatering operations must be handled as potentially contaminated materials. Procedures for the collection and disposal of such materials should be discussed in the site-specific project plans.

5.8.3 Sampling in Test Pits and Trenches

5.8.3.1 General

Test pits and trenches are usually logged as they are excavated. Records of each test pit/trench will be made as presented in Attachment C. These records include plan and profile sketches of the test pit/trench showing materials encountered, their depth and distribution in the pit/trench, and sample locations. These records also include safety and sample screening information.

Entry of test pits by personnel is extremely dangerous, shall be avoided unless absolutely necessary, and can occur only after all applicable Health and Safety and OSHA requirements have been met.

The final depth and type of samples obtained from each test pit will be determined at the time the test pit is excavated. Sufficient samples are usually obtained and analyzed to quantify contaminant distribution as a function of depth for each test pit. Additional samples of each waste phase and any fluids encountered in each test pit may also be collected.

In some cases, samples of soil may be extracted from the test pit for reasons other than waste sampling and chemical analysis, for instance, to obtain geotechnical information. Such information would include soil types, stratigraphy, strength, etc., and could therefore entail the collection of disturbed (grab or bulk) or relatively undisturbed (hand-carved or pushed/driven) samples, which can be tested for geotechnical properties. The purposes of such explorations are very similar to those of shallow exploratory or test borings, but often test pits offer a faster, more cost-effective method of sampling than installing borings.

5.8.3.2 Sampling Equipment

The following equipment is needed for obtaining samples for chemical or geotechnical analysis from test pits and trenches:

- Backhoe or other excavating machinery.
- Shovels, picks, hand augers, and stainless steel trowels/disposable trowels.
- Sample container - bucket with locking lid for large samples; appropriate bottleware for chemical or geotechnical analysis samples.
- Polyethylene bags for enclosing sample containers; buckets.
- Remote sampler consisting of 10-foot sections of steel conduit (1-inch-diameter), hose clamps and right angle adapter for conduit (see Attachment D).

5.8.3.3 Sampling Methods

The methods discussed in this section refer to test pit sampling from grade level. If test pit entry is required, see Section 5.8.3.4.

- Excavate trench or pit in several depth increments. After each increment, the operator will wait while the sampler inspects the test pit from grade level to decide if conditions are appropriate for sampling. (Monitoring of volatiles by the SSO will also be used to evaluate the need for sampling.) Practical depth increments range from 2 to 4 feet.

- The backhoe operator, who will have the best view of the test pit, will immediately cease digging if:

  - Any fluid phase or groundwater seepage is encountered in the test pit.
  - Any drums, other potential waste containers, obstructions or utility lines are encountered.
  - Distinct changes of material are encountered.

This action is necessary to permit proper sampling of the test pit and to prevent a breach of safety protocol. Depending upon the conditions encountered, it may be required to excavate more slowly and carefully with the backhoe.

For obtaining test pit samples from grade level, the following procedure shall be followed:

- Remove loose material to the greatest extent possible with backhoe.

- Secure walls of pit if necessary. (There is seldom any need to enter a pit or trench which would justify the expense of shoring the walls. All observations and samples should be taken from the ground surface.)

- Samples of the test pit material are to be obtained either directly from the backhoe bucket or from the material once it has been deposited on the ground. The sampler or Field Operations Leader directs the backhoe operator to remove material from the selected depth or location within the test pit/trench. The bucket is brought to the surface and moved away from the pit. The sampler and/or SSO then approaches the bucket and monitors its contents with a photoionization or flame ionization detector. The sample is collected from the center of the bucket or pile and placed in sample containers using a decontaminated stainless steel trowel or disposable spatula.

- If a composite sample is desired, several depths or locations within the pit/trench are selected and a bucket is filled from each area. It is preferable to send individual sample bottles filled from each bucket to the laboratory for compositing under the more controlled laboratory conditions. However, if compositing in the field is required, each sample container shall be filled from materials that have been transferred into a mixing bucket and homogenized. Note that homogenization/compositing is not applicable for samples to be subjected to volatile organic analysis.

- Using the remote sampler shown in Attachment D, samples can be taken at the desired depth from the side wall or bottom of the pit. The face of the pit/trench shall first be scraped (using a long-handled shovel or hoe) to remove the smeared zone that has contacted the backhoe bucket. The sample shall then be collected directly into the sample jar, by scraping with the jar edge, eliminating the need to utilize samplers and minimizing the likelihood of cross-contamination. The sample jar is then capped, removed from the assembly, and packaged for shipment.

- Complete documentation as described in SOP SA-6.3 and Attachment C of this SOP.

5.8.3.4 <u>In-Pit Sampling</u>

Under rare conditions, personnel may be required to enter the test pit/trench. This is necessary only when soil conditions preclude obtaining suitable samples from the backhoe bucket (e.g., excessive mixing of soils or wastes within the test pit/trench) or when samples from relatively small discrete zones within the test pit are required. This approach may also be necessary to sample any seepage occurring at discrete levels or zones in the test pit that are not accessible with remote samplers.

In general, personnel shall sample and log pits and trenches from the ground surface, except as provided for by the following criteria:

- There is no practical alternative means of obtaining such data.
- The Site Safety Officer and Competent Person determines that such action can be accomplished without breaching site safety protocol. This determination will be based on actual monitoring of the pit/trench after it is dug (including, at a minimum, measurements of volatile organics, explosive gases and available oxygen).
- A Company-designated Competent Person determines that the pit/trench is stable or is made stable (by grading the sidewalls or using shoring) prior to entrance of any personnel. OSHA requirements must be strictly observed.

If these conditions are satisfied, one person will enter the pit/trench. On potentially hazardous waste sites, this individual will be dressed in safety gear as required by the conditions in the pit. He/she will be affixed to a safety rope and continuously monitored while in the pit.

A second individual will be fully dressed in protective clothing including a self-contained breathing device and on standby during all pit entry operations. The individual entering the pit will remain therein for as brief a period as practical, commensurate with performance of his/her work. After removing the smeared zone, samples shall be obtained with a decontaminated trowel or spoon. As an added precaution, it is advisable to keep the backhoe bucket in the test pit when personnel are working below grade. Such personnel can either stand in or near the bucket while performing sample operations. In the event of a cave-in they can either be lifted clear in the bucket, or at least climb up on the backhoe arm to reach safety.

5.8.3.5 Geotechnical Sampling

In addition to the equipment described in Section 5.8.3.2, the following equipment is needed for geotechnical sampling:

- Soil sampling equipment, similar to that used in shallow drilled boring (i.e., open tube samplers), which can be pushed or driven into the floor of the test pit.
- Suitable driving (i.e., a sledge hammer) or pushing (i.e., the backhoe bucket) equipment which is used to advance the sampler into the soil.
- Knives, spatulas, and other suitable devices for trimming hand-carved samples.
- Suitable containers (bags, jars, tubes, boxes, etc.), labels, wax, etc. for holding and safely transporting collected soil samples.
- Geotechnical equipment (pocket penetrometer, torvane, etc.) for field testing collected soil samples for classification and strength properties.

Disturbed grab or bulk geotechnical soil samples may be collected for most soils in the same manner as comparable soil samples for chemical analysis. These collected samples may be stored in jars or plastic-lined sacks (larger samples), which will preserve their moisture content. Smaller samples of this type are usually tested for their index properties to aid in soil identification and classification, while larger bulk samples are usually required to perform compaction tests.

Relatively undisturbed samples are usually extracted in cohesive soils using open tube samplers, and such samples are then tested in a geotechnical laboratory for their strength, permeability and/or compressibility. The techniques for extracting and preserving such samples are similar to those used in performing Shelby tube sampling in borings, except that the sampler is advanced by hand or backhoe,

rather than by a drill rig. Also, the sampler may be extracted from the test pit by excavation around the sampler when it is difficult to pull it out of the ground. If this excavation requires entry of the test pit, the requirements described in Section 5.8.3.4 of this procedure must be followed. The open tube sampler shall be pushed or driven vertically into the floor or steps excavated in the test pit at the desired sampling elevations. Extracting tube samples horizontally from the walls of the test pit is not appropriate, because the sample will not have the correct orientation.

A sledge hammer or the backhoe may be used to drive or push the sampler or tube into the ground. Place a piece of wood over the top of the sampler or sampling tube to prevent damage during driving/pushing of the sample. Pushing the sampler with a constant thrust is always preferable to driving it with repeated blows, thus minimizing disturbance to the sample. If the sample cannot be extracted by rotating it at least two revolutions (to shear off the sample at the bottom), hand-excavate to remove the soil from around the sides of the sampler. If hand-excavation requires entry of the test pit, the requirements in Section 5.8.3.4 of this procedure must be followed. Prepare, label, pack and transport the sample in the required manner, as described in SOP SA-6.3 and SA-6.1.

5.8.4 Backfilling of Trenches and Test Pits

All test pits and excavations must be either backfilled, covered, or otherwise protected at the end of each day. No excavations shall remain open during non-working hours unless adequately covered or otherwise protected.

Before backfilling, the onsite crew shall photograph all significant features exposed by the test pit and trench and shall include in the photograph a scale to show dimensions. Photographs of test pits shall be marked to include site number, test pit number, depth, description of feature, and date of photograph. In addition, a geologic description of each photograph shall be entered in the site logbook. All photographs shall be indexed and maintained as part of the project file for future reference.

After inspection, backfill material shall be returned to the pit under the direction of the FOL.

If a low permeability layer is penetrated (resulting in groundwater flow from an upper contaminated flow zone into a lower uncontaminated flow zone), backfill material must represent original conditions or be impermeable. Backfill could consist of a soil-bentonite mix prepared in a proportion specified by the FOL (representing a permeability equal to or less than original conditions). Backfill can be covered by "clean" soil and graded to the original land contour. Revegetation of the disturbed area may also be required.

5.9 Records

The appropriate sample log sheet (see Attachment A of this SOP) must be completed by the site geologist/sampler. All soil sampling locations should be documented by tying in the location of two or more nearby permanent landmarks (building, telephone pole, fence, etc.) or obtaining GPS coordinates; and shall be noted on the appropriate sample log sheet, site map, or field notebook. Surveying may also be necessary, depending on the project requirements.

Test pit logs (see Attachment C of this SOP) shall contain a sketch of pit conditions. In addition, at least one photograph with a scale for comparison shall be taken of each pit. Included in the photograph shall be a card showing the test pit number. Boreholes, test pits and trenches shall be logged by the field geologist in accordance with SOP GH-1.5.

Other data to be recorded in the field logbook include the following:

- Name and location of job.
- Date of boring and excavation.

- Approximate surface elevation.
- Total depth of boring and excavation.
- Dimensions of pit.
- Method of sample acquisition.
- Type and size of samples.
- Soil and rock descriptions.
- Photographs.
- Groundwater levels.
- Organic gas or methane levels.
- Other pertinent information, such as waste material encountered.

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ATTACHMENT A
SOIL & SEDIMENT SAMPLE LOG SHEET

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SOIL & SEDIMENT SAMPLE LOG SHEET

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Project Site Name: _____
Project No.: _____

[] Surface Soil
[] Subsurface Soil
[] Sediment
[] Other: _____
[] QA Sample Type: _____

Sample ID No.: _____
Sample Location: _____
Sampled By: _____
C.O.C. No.: _____

Type of Sample:
[] Low Concentration
[] High Concentration

GRAB SAMPLE DATA:

Date:	Depth	Color	Description (Sand, Silt, Clay, Moisture, etc.)
Time:			
Method:			
Monitor Reading (ppm):			

COMPOSITE SAMPLE DATA:

Date:	Time	Depth	Color	Description (Sand, Silt, Clay, Moisture, etc.)
Method:				
Monitor Readings (Range in ppm):				

SAMPLE COLLECTION INFORMATION:

Analysis	Container Requirements	Collected	Other

OBSERVATIONS / NOTES:

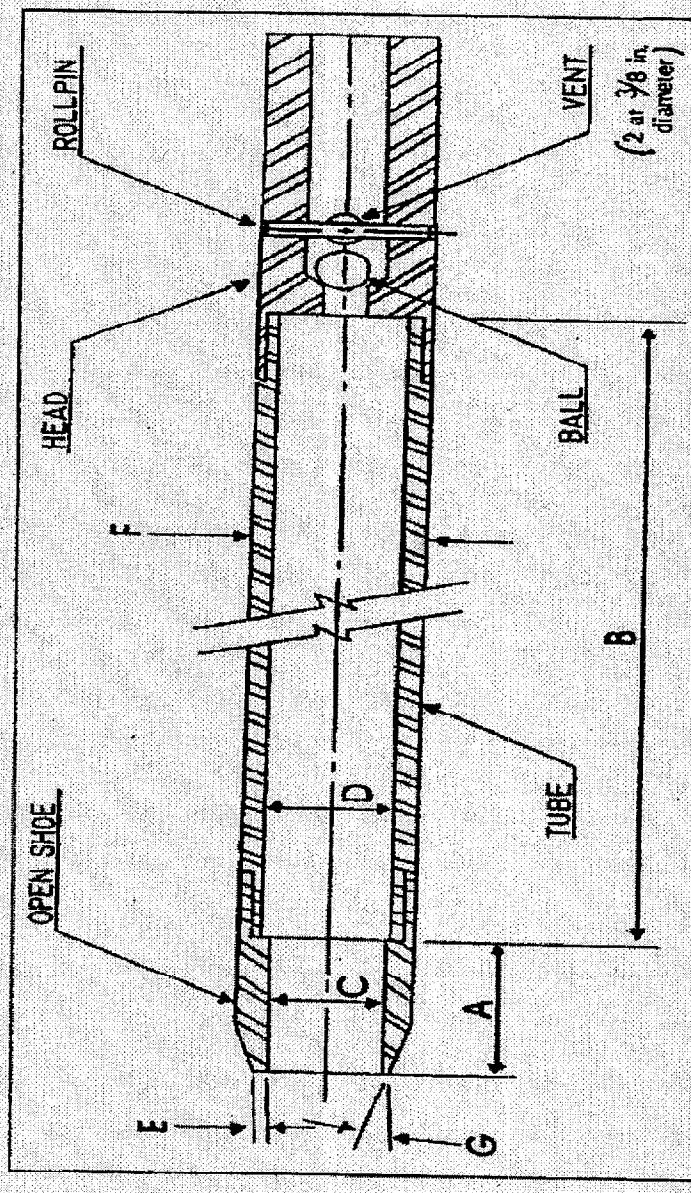
MAP:

Circle if Applicable:

MS/MSD	Duplicate ID No.:

Signature(s):

ATTACHMENT B
SPLIT-SPOON SAMPLER



A = 1.0 to 2.0 in. (25 to 50 mm)
B = 18.0 to 30.0 in. (0.457 to 0.762 m)
C = 1.375 ± 0.005 in. (34.93 ± 0.13 mm)
D = 1.50 ± 0.05 – 0.00 in. (38.1 ± 1.3 – 0.0 mm)
E = 0.10 ± 0.02 in. (2.54 ± 0.25 mm)
F = 2.00 ± 0.05 – 0.00 in. (50.8 ± 1.3 – 0.0 mm)
G = 16.0° to 23.0°

The 1½ in. (38 mm) inside diameter split barrel may be used with a 16-gage wall thickness split liner. The penetrating end of the drive shoe may be slightly rounded. Metal or plastic retainers may be used to retain soil samples.

ATTACHMENT C
TEST PIT LOG

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TEST PIT LOG

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PROJECT NAME:
PROJECT NUMBER:
LOCATION:

TEST PIT No.:
DATE:
GEOLOGIST:

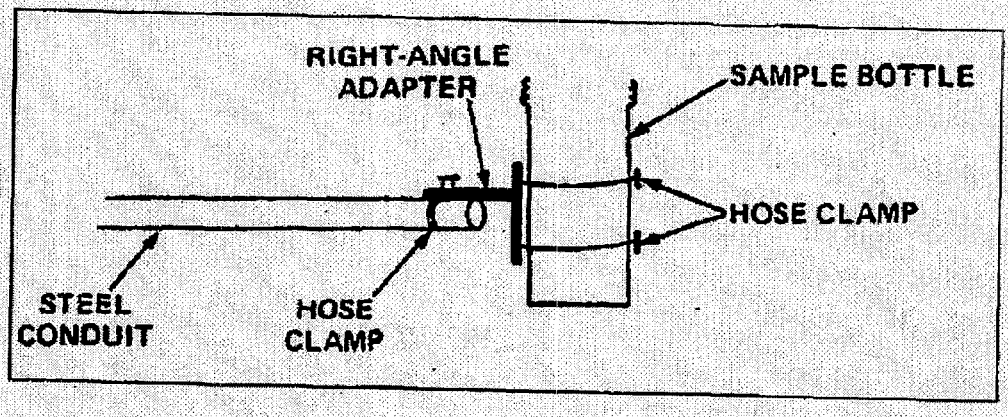
Depth (Ft.)	Lithology Change (Depth/Ft.)	MATERIAL DESCRIPTION Soil/Waste Characteristics (lithology, density, color, etc.)	USCS	Remarks	PID/FID READING Source (ppm)	BZ (ppm)

TEST PIT CROSS SECTION AND / OR PLAN VIEW

REMARKS:

PHOTO LOG:

ATTACHMENT D
REMOTE SAMPLE HOLDER FOR TEST PIT/TRENCH SAMPLING



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1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) is to provide information on sample preservation, packaging, and shipping procedures to be used in handling environmental samples submitted for chemical constituent, biological, or geotechnical analysis. Sample chain-of-custody procedures and other aspects of field documentation are addressed in SOP SA-6.3. Sample identification is addressed in SOP CT-04.

2.0 SCOPE

This procedure:

- Describes the appropriate containers to be used for samples depending on the analyses to be performed, and the steps necessary to preserve the samples when shipped off site for chemical analysis.
- Provides instruction for sample packaging and shipping in accordance with current U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and International Air Transportation Association (IATA) regulations. IATA regulates transportation of hazardous materials by air (which is the mode of transportation used for shipping nearly all samples derived during TtNUS projects).

3.0 GLOSSARY

Hazardous Material - A substance or material which has been determined by the Secretary of Transportation to be capable of posing an unreasonable risk to health, safety, and property when transported in commerce, and which has been so designated. Under 49 CFR, the term includes hazardous substances, hazardous wastes, marine pollutants, and elevated temperature materials, as well as materials designated as hazardous under the provisions of §172.101 and §172.102 and materials that meet the defining criteria for hazard classes and divisions in Part 173. With slight modifications, IATA has adopted DOT "hazardous materials" as IATA "Dangerous Goods."

Hazardous Waste - Any substance listed in 40 CFR, Subpart D (y261.30 et seq.), or otherwise characterized as ignitable, corrosive, reactive, or toxic (as defined by Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure, TCLP, analysis) as specified under 40 CFR, Subpart C (y261.20 et seq.), that would be subject to manifest requirements specified in 40 CFR 262. Such substances are defined and regulated by EPA.

Marking - A descriptive name, identification number, instructions, cautions, weight, specification or UN marks, or combination thereof required on outer packaging of hazardous materials.

n.o.i - Not otherwise indicated (may be used interchangeably with n.o.s.).

n.o.s. - Not otherwise specified.

ORM - Other regulated material (see DOT 49 CFR 173.144).

Packaging - A receptacle and any other components or materials necessary for compliance with the minimum packaging requirements of 49 CFR 174, including containers (other than freight containers or overpacks), portable tanks, cargo tanks, tank cars, and multi-unit tank-car tanks to perform a containment function in conformance with the minimum packaging requirements of 49 CFR 173.24(a) & (b).

Placard - Color-coded, pictorial sign which depicts the hazard class symbol and name and which is placed on the side of a vehicle transporting certain hazardous materials.

Common Preservatives:

- Hydrochloric Acid - HCl
- Sulfuric Acid - H_2SO_4
- Nitric Acid - HNO_3
- Sodium Hydroxide - NaOH

Other Preservatives

- Zinc Acetate
- Sodium Thiosulfate - $Na_2S_2O_3$

Normality (N) - Concentration of a solution expressed as equivalent per liter, an equivalent being the amount of a substance containing 1 gram-atom of replaceable hydrogen or its equivalent.

Reportable Quantity (RQ) - For the purposes of this SOP, means the quantity specified in column 3 of the Appendix to DOT 49 CFR §172.101 for any material identified in column 1 of the appendix. A spill greater than the amount specified must be reported to the National Response Center.

Sample - A sample is physical evidence collected from a facility or the environment, which is representative of conditions at the location and time of collection.

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Field Operations Leader - Directly responsible for the bottling, preservation, labeling, packaging, shipping, and custody of samples up to and including release to the shipper.

Field Samplers - Responsible for initiating the Chain-of-Custody Record (per SOP SA-6.3), implementing the packaging and shipping requirements, and maintaining custody of samples until they are relinquished to another custodian or to the shipper.

5.0 PROCEDURES

Sample identification, labeling, documentation, and chain-of-custody are addressed by SOP SA-6.3.

5.1 Sample Containers

Different types of chemicals react differently with sample containers made of various materials. For example, trace metals adsorb more strongly to glass than to plastic, whereas many organic chemicals may dissolve various types of plastic containers. Attachments A and B show proper containers (as well as other information) per 40 CFR 136. In general, the sample container shall allow approximately 5-10 percent air space ("ullage") to allow for expansion/vaporization if the sample warms during transport. However, for collection of volatile organic compounds, head space shall be omitted. The analytical laboratory will generally provide certified-clean containers for samples to be analyzed for chemical constituents. Shelby tubes or other sample containers are generally provided by the driller for samples requiring geotechnical analysis. Sufficient lead time shall be allowed for a delivery of sample container orders. Therefore, it is critical to use the correct container to maintain the integrity of the sample prior to analysis.

Once opened, the container must be used at once for storage of a particular sample. Unused but opened containers are to be considered contaminated and must be discarded. Because of the potential for introduction of contamination, they cannot be reclosed and saved for later use. Likewise, any unused

containers which appear contaminated upon receipt, or which are found to have loose caps or a missing Teflon liner (if required for the container), shall be discarded.

5.2 Sample Preservation

Many water and soil samples are unstable and therefore require preservation to prevent changes in either the concentration or the physical condition of the constituent(s) requiring analysis. Although complete and irreversible preservation of samples is not possible, preservation does retard the chemical and biological changes that inevitably take place after the sample is collected. Preservation techniques are usually limited to pH control, chemical addition(s), and refrigeration/ freezing (certain biological samples only).

5.2.1 Overview

The preservation techniques to be used for various analytes are listed in Attachments A and B. Reagents required for sample preservation will either be added to the sample containers by the laboratory prior to their shipment to the field or be added in the field (in a clean environment). Only high purity reagents shall be used for preservation. In general, aqueous samples of low-concentration organics (or soil samples of low- or medium-concentration organics) are cooled to 4°C. Medium-concentration aqueous samples, high-hazard organic samples, and some gas samples are typically not preserved. Low-concentration aqueous samples for metals are acidified with HNO_3, whereas medium-concentration and high-hazard aqueous metal samples are not preserved. Low- or medium-concentration soil samples for metals are cooled to 4°C, whereas high-hazard samples are not cooled.

The following subsections describe the procedures for preparing and adding chemical preservatives. Attachments A and B indicate the specific analytes which require these preservatives.

5.2.2 Preparation and Addition of Reagents

Addition of the following acids or bases may be specified for sample preservation; these reagents shall be analytical reagent (AR) grade or purer and shall be diluted to the required concentration with deionized water before field sampling commences. To avoid uncontrolled reactions, be sure to Add Acid to water (not vice versa). A dilutions guide is provided below.

Acid/Base	Dilution	Concentration	Estimated Amount Required for Preservation
Hydrochloric Acid (HCl)	1 part concentrated HCl: 1 part double-distilled, deionized water	6N	5-10 mL
Sulfuric Acid (H_2SO_4)	1 part concentrated H_2SO_4: 1 part double-distilled, deionized water	18N	2 - 5 mL
Nitric Acid (HNO_3)	Undiluted concentrated HNO_3	16N	2 - 5 mL
Sodium Hydroxide (NaOH)	400 grams solid NaOH dissolved in 870 mL double-distilled, deionized water; yields 1 liter of solution	10N	2 mL

The amounts required for preservation shown in the above table assumes proper preparation of the preservative and addition of the preservative to one liter of aqueous sample. This assumes that the sample is initially at pH 7, is poorly buffered, and does not contain particulate matter; as these conditions vary, more preservative may be required. Consequently, the final sample pH must be checked using narrow-range pH paper, as described in the generalized procedure detailed below:

- Pour off 5-10 mL of sample into a dedicated, clean container. Use some of this sample to check the initial sample pH using wide range (0-14) pH paper. Never dip the pH paper into the sample; always apply a drop of sample to the pH paper using a clean stirring rod or pipette.

- Add about one-half of the estimated preservative required to the original sample bottle. Cap and invert gently several times to mix. Check pH (as described above) using medium range pH paper (pH 0-6 or pH 7.5-14, as applicable).

- Cap sample bottle and seal securely.

Additional considerations are discussed below:

- To test if ascorbic acid must be used to remove oxidizing agents present in the sample before it can be properly preserved, place a drop of sample on KI-starch paper. A blue color indicates the need for ascorbic acid addition.

  If required, add a few crystals of ascorbic acid to the sample and retest with the KI-starch paper. Repeat until a drop of sample produces no color on the KI-starch paper. Then add an additional 0.6 grams of ascorbic acid per each liter of sample volume.

  Continue with proper base preservation of the sample as described above.

- Samples for sulfide analysis must be treated by the addition of 4 drops (0.2 mL) of 2N zinc acetate solution per 100 ml of sample.

  The 2N zinc acetate solution is made by dissolving 220 grams of zinc acetate in 870 mL of double-distilled, deionized water to make 1 liter of solution.

  The sample pH is then raised to 9 using the NaOH preservative.

- Sodium thiosulfate must be added to remove residual chlorine from a sample. To test the sample for residual chlorine use a field test kit specially made for this purpose.

  If residual chlorine is present, add 0.08 grams of sodium thiosulfate per liter of sample to remove the residual chlorine.

  Continue with proper acidification of the sample as described above.

For biological samples, 10% buffered formalin or isopropanol may also be required for preservation. Questions regarding preservation requirements should be resolved through communication with the laboratory <u>before</u> sampling begins.

5.3 Field Filtration

At times, field-filtration may be required to provide for the analysis of dissolved chemical constituents. Field-filtration must be performed <u>prior to</u> the preservation of samples as described above. General procedures for field filtration are described below:

- The sample shall be filtered through a non-metallic, 0.45-micron membrane filter, immediately after collection. The filtration system shall consist of dedicated filter canister, dedicated tubing, and a peristaltic pump with pressure or vacuum pumping squeeze action (since the sample is filtered by mechanical peristalsis, the sample travels only through the tubing).

- To perform filtration, thread the tubing through the peristaltic pump head. Attach the filter canister to the discharge end of the silicon tubing (note flow direction arrow); attach the aqueous sample container to the intake end of the silicon tubing. Turn the peristaltic pump on and perform filtration. Run approximately 100 ml of sample through the filter and discard prior to sample collection.

- Continue by preserving the filtrate (contained in the filter canister), as applicable and generally described above.

5.4 Sample Packaging and Shipping

Samples collected for shipment from a site shall be classified as either environmental or hazardous material samples. Samples from drums containing materials other than Investigative Derived Waste (IDW) and samples obtained from waste piles or bulk storage tanks are generally shipped as hazardous materials. A distinction must be made between the two types of samples in order to:

- Determine appropriate procedures for transportation of samples (if there is any doubt, a sample shall be considered hazardous and shipped accordingly.)

- Protect the health and safety of transport and laboratory personnel receiving the samples (special precautions are used by the shipper and at laboratories when hazardous materials are received.)

Detailed procedures for packaging environmental and hazardous material samples are outlined in the remainder of this section.

5.4.1 Environmental Samples

Environmental samples are packaged as follows:

- Place properly identified sample container, with lid securely fastened, in a plastic bag (e.g. Ziploc baggie), and seal the bag.

- Place sample in a cooler constructed of sturdy material which has been lined with a large, plastic bag (e.g. "garbage" bag). Drain plugs on coolers must be taped shut.

- Pack with enough cushioning materials such as bubble wrap (shoulders of bottles must be iced if required) to minimize the possibility of the container breaking.

- If cooling is required (see Attachments A and B), place ice around sample container shoulders, and on top of packing material (minimum of 8 pounds of ice for a medium-size cooler).

- Seal (i.e., tape or tie top in knot) large liner bag.

- The original (top, signed copy) of the COC form shall be placed inside a large Ziploc-type bag and taped inside the lid of the shipping cooler. If multiple coolers are sent but are included on one COC form, the COC form should be sent with the cooler containing the vials for VOC analysis. The COC form should then state how many coolers are included with that shipment.

- Close and seal outside of cooler as described in SOP SA-6.3. Signed custody seals must be used.

Coolers must be marked as containing "Environmental Samples." The appropriate side of the container must be marked "This End Up" and arrows placed appropriately. No DOT marking or labeling is required; there are no DOT restrictions on mode of transportation.

5.4.2 Hazardous Material Samples

Samples not determined to be environmental samples, or samples known or expected to contain hazardous materials, must be considered hazardous material samples and transported according to the requirements listed below.

NOTE: Packaging and shipping of hazardous materials can only be performed by personnel who have participated in the TtNUS training course "Shipping Hazardous Materials" (or equivalent training approved by Health Sciences).

5.4.2.1 Known Substances

If the substance in the sample is known or can be identified, package, mark, label, and ship according to the specific instructions for that material (if it is listed) in the DOT Hazardous Materials Table (49 CFR 172.101) or the IATA List of Dangerous Goods Table (IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations). DOT Guide for shippers can be found in Attachment D of this document.

To determine the proper shipping name, use the following steps to help locate the shipping name on the Hazardous Materials Table, DOT 49 CFR 172.101.

1. Look first for the chemical or technical name of the material, for example, ethyl alcohol. Note that many chemicals have more than one technical name, for example, perchloroethylene (not listed in 172.101) is listed as tetrachloroethylene (listed 172.101). It may be useful to consult Health Sciences or a chemist for all possible technical names a material can have. If your material is not listed by its technical name, then . . .

2. Look for the chemical family name. For example, pentyl alcohol is not listed but the chemical family name is: alcohol, n.o.s. (not otherwise specified). If the chemical family name is not listed, then . . .

3. Look for a generic name based on end use. For example, Paint, n.o.s. If a generic name based on end use is not listed, then . . .

4. Look for a generic family name based on end use, for example, drugs, n.o.s. or cosmetics, n.o.s. Finally, if your material is not listed by a generic family name but you suspect or know the material is hazardous because it meets the definition of one or more hazardous classes, then . . .

5. You will have to use the general hazard class for a proper shipping name. For example, Flammable Liquid, n.o.s, or Oxidizer, n.o.s.

If you have any doubt regarding the proper shipping name, contact Health Sciences in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania for assistance.

5.4.2.2 Unknown Substances

For samples of hazardous substances that are not listed on the Hazardous Materials Table, or are of unknown content, the shipper is required to:

1. Determine that the substance is not forbidden for shipment. Items forbidden include explosives (solid and liquid), substances liable to produce a dangerous evolution of heat or gas, and listed "unusual" compounds (which TtNUS fortunately does not typically handle). If the substance is in

any way atypical of routine shipments, contact Health Sciences for further information on determining if the substance is forbidden.

2. Classify the substance by assessing whether it is anticipated to exhibit any unusual physical properties as defined by DOT (flammability, explosivity, etc.). If the substance has more than one hazard, follow the hazardous materials classification scheme identified in Attachment C of this SOP.

3. Use the generic or "n.o.s." proper shipping name that most accurately describes the article or substance. There are two types of general proper shipping names:

   - Generic, e.g., Alcohols, n.o.s. *
   - Hazard description, e.g., Flammable liquid, n.o.s.*

   Generic or n.o.s. proper shipping names marked with an "*" require the addition of the technical name in parenthesis () immediately following the proper shipping name. For example, most of our instrument calibration gases are not listed by name and must be declared under the most accurately descriptive name, which is "Compressed Gas, n.o.s. (Mixture Nitrogen and Oxygen)".

The correct shipping classification for an unknown sample is therefore selected through a process of elimination as described above (and detailed in 49 CFR 172.101(c)(11). By using the provisions in this paragraph, the proper shipping name and description will be determined. A step-by-step guide is provided by the DOT and can be found in Attachment D of this SOP. Again, if you have any doubt regarding the proper shipping name, contact Health Sciences for assistance.

5.4.3 Packaging and Shipping of Samples Classified as Flammable Liquid (or Solid)

5.4.3.1 Packaging

Applying the word "flammable" to a sample does not necessarily mean that it is in fact flammable. The word prescribes the class of packaging according to DOT regulations and classification schemes. The DOT defines flammable liquids as substances with a flash point less than 140°F (60°C). For shipping purposes, liquids with a flash point exceeding 95°F (35°C) need not be considered as flammable liquids if they are miscible solutions and have a water content of more than 90% by weight. For solutions classified as flammable liquids:

1. Containerize sample as required (see Attachments A and B). To prevent leakage, fill container no more than 90 percent full. Seal lid with teflon tape or wire.

2. Complete sample label and attach securely to sample container.

3. Seal container and place in 2-mil-thick (or thicker) polyethylene bag (e.g., Ziploc baggie), one sample per bag. Position sample identification label so that it can be read through bag. Seal bag.

4. For soil jars, place sealed bag inside metal can (available from laboratory or laboratory supplier) and cushion it with enough noncombustible, absorbent material (for example, vermiculite or diatomaceous earth) between the bottom and sides of the can and bag to prevent breakage and absorb leakage. Pack one bag per can. Use clips, tape, or other positive means to hold can lid securely, tightly and permanently. Mark can as indicated in Paragraph 1 of Section 5.3.4.2, below. Single 1-gallon bottles do not need to be placed in metal cans.

5. Place one or more metal cans (or a single 1-gallon bottle) into a strong outside container, such as a metal picnic cooler or a DOT-approved fiberboard box. Surround cans (or bottle) with

noncombustible, absorbent cushioning materials for stability during transport. The absorbent material should be able to absorb the entire contents of the container. Mark container as indicated in Paragraph 2 below.

5.4.3.2 Marking/Labeling

1. Use abbreviations only where specified. Place the following information, either hand-printed or in label form, on the metal can (or 1-gallon bottle):

   - Laboratory name and address.
   - Proper shipping name from the hazardous materials table (DOT Regulation CFR 49 172.101). Example: "Flammable Liquid, n.o.s. (with the technical name in parentheses).

2. Determine packing group. The packing group must be included on the shipping papers in the description section. Packaging groups are classified as follows:

   Group I. Most Hazardous
   Group II. Medium Hazard
   Group III. Least Hazardous

   The packing group will be listed in the hazardous materials table, column 5.

3. Place the following information on outside shipping container per the instructions provided in the "Shipping Hazardous Materials" course:

   - Proper shipping name
   - UN or NA number
   - Proper label(s)
   - Addressee and sender

For flammable liquids, the following are the proper labels to be placed on the outside shipping container:

- DOT "Flammable liquid" label
- Package orientation label (arrows pointing upward) on at least two opposite sides of the package
- "Cargo Aircraft Only" label if shipping more than 30L of flammable liquids in the package.

5.4.3.3 Shipping Papers

Principally because of limitations in sample holding times, TtNUS almost exclusively uses air transportation to ship hazardous materials and other environmental samples. The "Dangerous Goods Airbill" is the shipping paper used to document the information associated with the shipment. As identified previously, only personnel who have participated in "Shipping Hazardous Materials" training (or equivalent course) are authorized to prepare hazardous materials for shipment - including preparation of associated shipping papers. Included in this training are instructions on what specific information is to be provided on the Airbill for hazardous materials typically shipped by TtNUS. Refer to the training course Student Manual or contact Health Sciences for this information.

The properly executed Chain-of-Custody Report must be included in the container. Use custody seals.

Using the Airbill of our common carrier (i.e., Federal Express) as an example, the following instructions apply to the information to be provided under "Transport Details", "Nature and Quantity of Dangerous Goods", and other associated fields.

a) Transport Details

- Select "Passenger and Cargo" or "Cargo Aircraft Only" (This is based on the type and quantity of dangerous goods you are shipping). X-out the non-applicable selection.
- Airport of Departure - Enter the full name of the airport or city of departure.
- Airport of Destination - Enter the full name of the airport or city of destination.

b) Shipment Type – Delete the option that does not apply (Non-Radioactive/Radioactive)

c) Nature and Quantity of Dangerous Goods

1. Dangerous Goods Identification

   - Proper Shipping Name - List the proper shipping name (this is the name as it appears on the List of Dangerous Goods Table and NOT the product or trade name), and if applicable, the technical name in parenthesis.
   - Class or Division - List the class or division number and, if applicable, compatibility group.
   - UN or ID No - List the UN or I.D. number, preceded with "UN" or "I.D." This selection may change when shipping in accordance with 49 CFR regulations that permit the shipment under NA (North American Continental Shipments) designations for certain substances.
   - Packing Group – List the appropriate packing group, if applicable. This is the level of anticipated hazard of the shipment. It does not apply for all shipments. When no information is available, leave the space blank.
   - Subsidiary Risk – List the class or division number of the subsidiary risk, if applicable. The subsidiary risk is any additional hazard beyond the most significant (or primary) hazard. This information is obtained from the List of Dangerous Goods Table.

2. Quantity and Type of Packaging – List the number of packages, the type of package, and the net quantity in each package. The type of packaging you are shipping the hazardous material in is presented first, followed by the amount (Kg, L, etc.). For example, "1 fiberboard box X 2 Kg". When no outer packaging is identified, the packaging selected must provide limited protection of the inner packaging by securing and cushioning during shipment. NOTE: Always use the package that the hazardous material was shipped to the site in. If it is not available, contact the Health Sciences Department in Pittsburgh for further instruction.

3. Packing Instructions – Enter the Packing Instruction number. These instructions are provided in Section 5 of the IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations. They provide the exact type of packaging required by the industry for various hazard classes. When no addition packaging considerations are given, the shipper may use their best judgment for the shipment of an identified substance and/or article.

4. Authorization – List the words " Limited Quantity," if applicable; list any special provision(s) or approval(s) if applicable. This section provides for exceptions to this transportation regulation and the conditions for those exceptions.

d) Additional handling Information - Enter any required special handling information.

e) Prepared for Air Transport according to: Check the ICAO/IATA box.

f) Emergency Telephone Number - Enter the 24-hour emergency contact number. This number is required of all US Origin or Destination Shipments. List the number for InfoTRAC (1-800-535-5053). InfoTRAC is a company retained by TtNUS to provide 24-Hour Emergency Hotline service for dangerous goods shipment. This company has MSDSs for the substances routinely shipped by TtNUS. They provide information to FedEx or any other emergency responders, should situations arise with one of our shipments. In addition, they have telephone numbers of certain Tetra Tech NUS Health Science Department personnel in the Pittsburgh Office in the event of an emergency.

g) Name/Title of the Signatory - Enter name and job title (Field Operations Leader, Geologist, Health & Safety Specialist, etc.)

h) Place and date - Enter the city and date of shipment

i) Signature - Sign the form (must be a complete signature). All alterations must be signed with the same signature used to sign the declaration.

5.4.3.4 Transportation

1. The majority of unknown hazardous substance samples will be classified as flammable liquids. The samples will be transported by rented or common carrier truck, railroad, or express overnight package services. Do not transport samples on any passenger-carrying air transport system, even if the system has cargo-only aircraft. DOT regulations permit regular airline cargo-only aircraft, but difficulties with most suggest avoiding them. Instead, ship by airline carriers that carry only cargo. If unsure of what mode of transportation to use, consult Health Sciences.[1]

2. For transport by government-owned vehicle, including aircraft, DOT regulations do not apply. However, procedures described above, with the exception of execution of the bill of lading with certification, shall still be followed.

3. Use the hazardous materials shipping check list (Attachment E) as a guidance to ensure that all sample-handling requirements are satisfied.

4. In some cases, various materials may react if they break during shipment. To determine if you are shipping such materials, refer to the DOT compatibility chart in Attachment F.

5.5 Shipment of Lithium Batteries

Occasional monitoring well data are analyzed using either the Hermit SE 1000 or the Hermit SE 2000 environmental data logger. These instruments are typically powered by lithium batteries (newer instruments are powered by other types of batteries and can be shipped standard Fedex) in sufficient quantity to make the unit subject to hazardous material shipping requirements. The DOT determined that lithium batteries are to be shipped using the following information:

- Product Designation
  - Hermit SE 1000
  - Hermit SE 2000

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1 Note: If you are unsure as how to ship the sample (hazardous or environmental sample), contact Health Sciences so that a decision can be made as to the proper shipping practices. The DOT and IATA penalties for improper shipment of a hazardous material are stringent and may include a prison term for intentional violations.

- Proper Shipping Name
  - Lithium batteries, contained in equipment, UN3091

- UN No - UN-3091

- Classification or Division
  - Class 9

Shipment of equipment containing lithium batteries must be accompanied by shipping papers completed as indicated in Attachment G. The instrument will be shipped by Federal Express as a Hazardous Material. Place the instrument in the same container in which it was received. This container or case is a DOT-approved shipping container. For Federal Express procedures to ship hazardous materials, call 1-800-238-5355, extension 922-1666. In most cases, the return shipping papers and DOT labels will be shipped to you from the company warehouse or the vendor. An example of the types of labels used for shipment and the wording are shown in Attachment G. These labels will be attached to the outside container and include all the information noted under Section 5.4.3.2. Instead of the Flammable Liquid information, however, the following will be presented with the following wording:

- Lithium Batteries Contained in Equipment
  - UN-3091

- DOT Miscellaneous Hazardous Materials (Class 9) label

- "Cargo Aircraft Only" label

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ATTACHMENT A

GENERAL SAMPLE CONTAINER AND PRESERVATION REQUIREMENTS

Sample Type and Concentration		Container[1]	Sample Size	Preservation[2]	Holding Time[2]
WATER					
Organics (GC&GC/MS)	VOC Low	Borosilicate glass	2 x 40 mL	Cool to 4°C HCl to ≤ 2	14 days[9]
	Extractables (Low SVOCs and pesticide/PCBs)	Amber glass	2x2 L or 4x1 L	Cool to 4°C	7 days to extraction; 40 days after extraction
	Extractables (Medium SVOCs and pesticide/PCBs)	Amber glass	2x2 L or 4x1 L	None	7 days to extraction; 40 days after extraction
Inorganics	Metals Low	High-density polyethylene	1 L	HNO_3 to pH ≤2	6 months (Hg-28 days)
	Medium	Wide-mouth glass	16 oz.	None	6 months
	Cyanide Low	High-density polyethylene	1 L	NaOH to pH>12	14 days
	Cyanide Medium	Wide-mouth glass	16 oz.	None	14 days
Organic/ Inorganic	High Hazard	Wide-mouth glass	8 oz.	None	14 days
SOIL					
Organics (GC&GC/MS)	VOC	EnCore Sampler	(3) 5 g Samplers	Cool to 4°C	48 hours to lab preservation
	Extractables (Low SVOCs and pesticides/PCBs)	Wide-mouth glass	8 oz.	Cool to 4°C	14 days to extraction; 40 days after extraction
	Extractables (Medium SVOCs and pesticides/PCBs)	Wide-mouth glass	8 oz.	Cool to 4°C	14 days to extraction; 40 days after extraction
Inorganics	Low/Medium	Wide-mouth glass	8 oz.	Cool to 4°C	6 months (Hg - 28 days) Cyanide (14 days)
Organic/Inorganic	High Hazard	Wide-mouth glass	8 oz.	None	NA
Dioxin/Furan	All	Wide-mouth glass	4 oz.	None	35 days until extraction; 40 days after extraction
TCLP	All	Wide-mouth glass	8 oz.	None	7 days until preparation; analysis as per fraction
AIR					
Volatile Organics	Low/Medium	Charcoal tube -- 7 cm long, 6 mm OD, 4 mm ID	100 L air	Cool to 4°C	5 days recommended

1 All glass containers should have Teflon cap liners or septa.
2 See Attachment E. Preservation and maximum holding time allowances per 40 CFR 136.

ATTACHMENT B

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED CONTAINERS, PRESERVATION TECHNIQUES, AND HOLDING TIMES

Parameter Number/Name	Container[1]	Preservation[2][3]	Maximum Holding Time[4]
INORGANIC TESTS:			
Acidity	P, G	Cool, 4°C	14 days
Alkalinity	P, G	Cool, 4°C	14 days
Ammonia - Nitrogen	P, G	Cool, 4°C; H_2SO_4 to pH 2	28 days
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Bromide	P, G	None required	28 days
Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)	P, G	Cool, 4°C; H_2SO_4 to pH 2	28 days
Chloride	P, G	None required	28 days
Chlorine, Total Residual	P, G	None required	Analyze immediately
Color	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Cyanide, Total and Amenable to Chlorination	P, G	Cool, 4°C; NaOH to pH 12; 0.6 g ascorbic acid[5]	14 days[6]
Fluoride	P	None required	28 days
Hardness	P, G	HNO_3 to pH 2; H_2SO_4 to pH 2	6 months
Total Kjeldahl and Organic Nitrogen	P, G	Cool, 4°C; H_2SO_4 to pH 2	28 days
Nitrate - Nitrogen	P, G	None required	48 hours
Nitrate-Nitrite - Nitrogen	P, G	Cool, 4°C; H_2SO_4 to pH 2	28 days
Nitrite - Nitrogen	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Oil & Grease	G	Cool, 4°C; H_2SO_4 to pH 2	28 days
Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	P, G	Cool, 4°C; HCl or H_2SO_4 to pH 2	28 days
Orthophosphate	P, G	Filter immediately; Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Oxygen, Dissolved-Probe	G Bottle & top	None required	Analyze immediately
Oxygen, Dissolved-Winkler	G Bottle & top	Fix on site and store in dark	8 hours
Phenols	G	Cool, 4°C; H_2SO_4 to pH 2	28 days
Phosphorus, Total	P, G	Cool, 4°C; H_2SO_4 to pH 2	28 days
Residue, Total	P, G	Cool, 4°C	7 days
Residue, Filterable (TDS)	P, G	Cool, 4°C	7 days
Residue, Nonfilterable (TSS)	P, G	Cool, 4°C	7 days
Residue, Settleable	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
Residue, Volatile (Ash Content)	P, G	Cool, 4°C	7 days
Silica	P	Cool, 4°C	28 days
Specific Conductance	P, G	Cool, 4°C	28 days
Sulfate	P, G	Cool, 4°C	28 days

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Parameter Number/Name	Container[1]	Preservation[2][3]	Maximum Holding Time[4]
INORGANIC TESTS (Cont'd):			
Sulfide	P, G	Cool, 4°C; add zinc acetate plus sodium hydroxide to pH 9	7 days
Sulfite	P, G	None required	Analyze immediately
Turbidity	P, G	Cool, 4°C	48 hours
METALS:[7]			
Chromium VI (Hexachrome)	P, G	Cool, 4°C	24 hours
Mercury (Hg)	P, G	HNO_3 to pH 2	28 days
Metals, except Chromium VI and Mercury	P, G	HNO_3 to pH 2	6 months
ORGANIC TESTS:[8]			
Purgeable Halocarbons	G, Teflon-lined septum	Cool, 4°C; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[5]	14 days
Purgeable Aromatic Hydrocarbons	G, Teflon-lined septum	Cool, 4°C; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[5] HCl to pH 2 [9]	14 days
Acrolein and Acrylonitrile	G, Teflon-lined septum	Cool, 4°C; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[6] adjust pH to 4-5 [10]	14 days
Phenols[11]	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[5]	7 days until extraction; 40 days after extraction
Benzidines[11], [12]	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[5]	7 days until extraction[13]
Phthalate esters[11]	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C	7 days until extraction; 40 days after extraction
Nitrosamines[11], [14]	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C; store in dark; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[5]	7 days until extraction; 40 days after extraction
PCBs[11]	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C	7 days until extraction; 40 days after extraction
Nitroaromatics & Isophorone[11]	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[5]; store in dark	7 days until extraction; 40 days after extraction
Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs)[11],[14]	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[5]; store in dark	7 days until extraction; 40 days after extraction
Haloethers[11]	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[5]	7 days until extraction; 40 days after extraction
Dioxin/Furan (TCDD/TCDF)[11]	G, Teflon-lined cap	Cool, 4°C; 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$[5]	7 days until extraction; 40 days after extraction

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(1) Polyethylene (P): generally 500 ml or Glass (G): generally 1L.
(2) Sample preservation should be performed immediately upon sample collection. For composite chemical samples each aliquot should be preserved at the time of collection. When use of an automated sampler makes it impossible to preserve each aliquot, then chemical samples may be preserved by maintaining at 4°C until compositing and sample splitting is completed.
(3) When any sample is to be shipped by common carrier or sent through the United States Mail, it must comply with the Department of Transportation Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR Part 172).
(4) Samples should be analyzed as soon as possible after collection. The times listed are the maximum times that samples may be held before analysis and still be considered valid. Samples may be held for longer periods only if the permittee, or monitoring laboratory, has data on file to show that the specific types of samples under study are stable for the longer periods, and has received a variance from the Regional Administrator.
(5) Should only be used in the presence of residual chlorine.
(6) Maximum holding time is 24 hours when sulfide is present. Optionally, all samples may be tested with lead acetate paper before pH adjustments are made to determine if sulfide is present. If sulfide is present, it can be removed by the addition of cadmium nitrate powder until a negative spot test is obtained. The sample is filtered and then NaOH is added to pH 12.
(7) Samples should be filtered immediately on site before adding preservative for dissolved metals.
(8) Guidance applies to samples to be analyzed by GC, LC, or GC/MS for specific compounds.
(9) Sample receiving no pH adjustment must be analyzed within 7 days of sampling.
(10) The pH adjustment is not required if acrolein will not be measured. Samples for acrolein receiving no pH adjustment must be analyzed within 3 days of sampling.
(11) When the extractable analytes of concern fall within a single chemical category, the specified preservative and maximum holding times should be observed for optimum safeguard of sample integrity. When the analytes of concern fall within two or more chemical categories, the sample may be preserved by cooling to 4°C, reducing residual chlorine with 0.008% sodium thiosulfate, storing in the dark, and adjusting the pH to 6-9; samples preserved in this manner may be held for 7 days before extraction and for 40 days after extraction. Exceptions to this optional preservation and holding time procedure are noted in footnote 5 (re: the requirement for thiosulfate reduction of residual chlorine) and footnotes 12, 13 (re: the analysis of benzidine).
(12) If 1,2-diphenylthydrazine is likely to be present, adjust the pH of the sample to 4.0±0.2 to prevent rearrangement to benzidine.
(13) Extracts may be stored up to 7 days before analysis if storage is conducted under an inert (oxidant-free) atmosphere.
(14) For the analysis of diphenylnitrosamine, add 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$ and adjust pH to 7-10 with NaOH within 24 hours of sampling.
(15) The pH adjustment may be performed upon receipt at the laboratory and may be omitted if the samples are extracted within 72 hours of collection. For the analysis of aldrin, add 0.008% $Na_2S_2O_3$.

ATTACHMENT C

DOT HAZARDOUS MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION (49 CFR 173.2a)

1. Radioactive material (except a limited quantity)
2. Division 2.3, Poisonous Gases
3. Division 2.1, Flammable Gas
4. Division 2.2, Nonflammable gas
5. Division 6.1, Poisonous Liquids, Packing Group 1 (poison by inhalation only)
6. Division 4.2, Pyrophoric Material
7. Division 4.1, Self-Reactive Material
8. Class 3, Flammable Liquids*
9. Class 8, Corrosive Material
10. Division 4.1, Flammable Solid*
11. Division 4.2, Spontaneously Combustible Materials*
12. Division 4.3, Dangerous When Wet Materials*
13. Division 5.1, Oxidizers*
14. Division 6.1, Poisonous Liquids or Solids (other than Packing Group 1)*
15. Combustible liquid
16. Class 9, Miscellaneous Hazardous Materials

* If a material has or meets the criteria for more than one hazard class, use the precedence of hazardous table on the following page for Classes 3 and 8 and Divisions 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, and 6.1. The following table ranks those materials that meet the definition of Classes 3 and 8 and Divisions 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, and 6.1.

ATTACHMENT C (Continued)

DOT HAZARDOUS MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION
(49 CFR 173.2a)

Class	Packing Group	4.2	4.3	5.1 I[a]	5.1 II[a]	5.1 III[a]	6.1 I (Dermal)	6.1 I (Oral)	6.1 II	6.1 III	8 I (Liquid)	8 I (Solid)	8 II (Liquid)	8 II (Solid)	8 III (Liquid)	8 III (Solid)
3	I						3	3	3	3	3	(c)	3	(c)	3	(c)
3	II						3	3	3	3	8	(c)	3	(c)	3	(c)
3	III						6.1	6.1	6.1	3[d]	8	(c)	8	(c)	3	(c)
4.1	II[b]	4.2	4.3	5.1	4.1	4.1	6.1	6.1	4.1	4.1	(c)	8	(c)	4.1	(c)	4.1
4.1	III[b]	4.2	4.3	5.1	4.1	4.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	4.1	(c)	8	(c)	8	(c)	4.1
4.2	II		4.3	5.1	4.2	4.2	6.1	6.1	4.2	4.2	(c)	8	(c)	4.2	(c)	4.2
4.2	III		4.3	5.1	4.2	4.2	6.1	6.1	6.1	4.2	(c)	8	(c)	8	(c)	4.2
4.3	I			5.1	4.3	4.3	6.1	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.3
4.3	II			5.1	4.3	4.3	6.1	4.3	4.3	4.3	8	8	8	4.3	4.3	4.3
4.3	III			5.1	4.3	4.3	6.1	6.1	6.1	4.3	8	8	8	8	4.3	4.3
5.1	I[a]						5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.1
5.1	II[a]						6.1	5.1	5.1	5.1	8	8	8	5.1	5.1	5.1
5.1	III[a]						6.1	6.1	6.1	5.1	8	8	8	8	5.1	5.1
6.1	I, Dermal										8	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1
6.1	I, Oral										8	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1
6.1	II, Inhalation										8	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1
6.1	II, Dermal										8	6.1	8	6.1	6.1	6.1
6.1	II, Oral										8	8	8	6.1	6.1	6.1
6.1	III										8	8	8	8	8	8

(a) There are at present no established criteria for determining Packing Groups for liquids in Division 5.1. At present, the degree of hazard is to be assessed by analogy with listed substances, allocating the substances to Packing Group I, Great; Group II, Medium; or Group III, Minor Danger.

(b) Substances of Division 4.1 other than self-reactive substances.

(c) Denotes an impossible combination.

(d) For pesticides only, where a material has the hazards of Class 3, Packing Group III, and Division 6.1, Packing Group III, the primary hazard is Division 6.1, Packing Group III.

ATTACHMENT D

GUIDE FOR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SHIPPERS

USE OF GUIDE - This guide is presented as an aid to shippers of hazardous materials. It does not contain or refer to all of the DOT requirements for shipping hazardous materials. For specific details, refer to all of the DOT requirements for shipping hazardous materials, as provided in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 49, Transportation, Parts 100-199.

The following is offered as a step-by-step procedure to aid in compliance with the applicable DOT regulations.

STEP 1 - DETERMINE THE PROPER SHIPPING NAME. The shipper must determine the proper shipping name of the materials as listed in the Hazardous Materials Table, 49 CFR 172.101, Column (2).

STEP 2 - DETERMINE THE HAZARD CLASS OR CLASSES.

a. Refer to the Table, 49 CFR 172.101, Column (3), and locate the hazard class of the material.
b. If more than one class is shown for the proper shipping name, determine the proper class by definition.
c. If the materials have more than one hazard, classify the material based on the order of hazards in 49 CFR 173.2.

STEP 3 - SELECT THE PROPER IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS.

a. Refer to the Table, 49 CFR 172.101, Column (3a), and select the Identification Number (ID) that corresponds to the proper shipping name and hazard class.
b. Enter the ID number(s) on the shipping papers and display them, as required, on packagings, placards and/or orange panels.

STEP 4 - DETERMINE THE MODE(S) OF TRANSPORT TO ULTIMATE DESTINATION.

a. As a shipper, you must assure yourself that the shipment complies with various modal requirements.
b. The modal requirements may affect the following: (1) Packaging; (2) Quantity per Package; (3) Marking; (4) Labeling; (5) Shipping Papers; and (6) Certification.

STEP 5 - SELECT THE PROPER LABEL(S) AND APPLY AS REQUIRED.

a. Refer to the Table, 49 CFR 172.101, Column (4) for required labels.
b. For details on labeling refer to (1) Additional Labels, 49 CFR 172.402; (2) Placement of Labels, 49 CFR 172.406; (3) Packagings (Mixed or Consolidated), 49 CFR 172.404(a) and (h); (4) Packages Containing Samples, 49 CFR 172.402(h); (5) Radioactive Materials, 49 CFR 172.403; and (6) Authorized Label Modifications, 49 CFR 172.405.

STEP 6 - DETERMINE AND SELECT THE PROPER PACKAGES.

a. Refer to the Table, 49 CFR 172.101, Column (5a) for exceptions and Column (5b) for specification packagings. Consider the following when selecting an authorized package: Quantity per Package; Cushioning Material, if required; Proper Closure and Reinforcement; Proper Pressure; Outage; etc., as required.
b. If packaged by a prior shipper, make sure the packaging is correct and in proper condition for transportation.

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STEP 7 - MARK THE PACKAGING (INCLUDING OVERPACKS).

a. Apply the required markings (49 CFR 172.300); Proper shipping name and ID number, when required (49 CFR 172.301); Name and address of Consignee or Consignor (49 CFR 172.306).
b. For details and other required markings, see 49 CFR 172.300 through 172.338.

STEP 8 - PREPARE THE SHIPPING PAPERS.

a. The basic requirements for preparing shipping papers include Proper Shipping Name; Hazard Class; ID Number; Total Quantity; Shipper's Certification; and Emergency Response Telephone Number.
b. Make all entries on the shipping papers using the information required and in proper sequence (49 CFR 172.202).

STEP 9 - CERTIFICATION.

a. Each shipper must certify by printing (manually or mechanically) on the shipping papers that the materials being offered for shipment are properly classified, described, packaged, marked and labeled, and in proper condition for transportation according to the applicable DOT Regulations (49 CFR 172.202).

STEP 10 - LOADING, BLOCKING, AND BRACING. When hazardous materials are loaded into the transport vehicle or freight container, each package must be loaded, blocked, and braced in accordance with the requirements for mode of transport.

a. If the shipper loads the freight container or transport vehicle, the shipper is responsible for the proper loading, blocking, and bracing of the materials.
b. If the carrier does the loading, the carrier is responsible.

STEP 11 - DETERMINE THE PROPER PLACARD(S). Each person who offers hazardous materials for transportation must determine that the placarding requirements have been met.

a. For Highway, unless the vehicle is already correctly placarded, the shipper must provide the required placard(s) and required ID number(s) (49 CFR 172.506).
b. For Rail, if loaded by the shipper, the shipper must placard the rail car if placards are required (49 CFR 172.508).
c. For Air and Water shipments, the shipper has the responsibility to apply the proper placards.

STEP 12 - HAZARDOUS WASTE/HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE.

a. If the material is classed as a hazardous waste or hazardous substance, most of the above steps will be applicable.
b. Pertinent Environmental Protection Agency regulations are found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Part 262.

As a final check and before offering the shipment for transportation, visually inspect the shipment. The shipper should ensure that emergency response information is on the vehicle for transportation of hazardous materials.

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ATTACHMENT E

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SHIPPING CHECK LIST

PACKAGING

1. Check DOT 173.24 for appropriate type of package for hazardous substance.
2. Check for container integrity, especially the closure.
3. Check for sufficient absorbent material in package.
4. Check for sample tags and log sheets for each sample and for chain-of-custody record.

SHIPPING PAPERS

1. Check that entries contain only approved DOT abbreviations.
2. Check that entries are in English.
3. Check that hazardous material entries are specially marked to differentiate them from any nonhazardous materials being sent using same shipping paper.
4. Be careful that all hazardous classes are shown for multiclass materials.
5. Check total amounts by weight, quantity, or other measures used.
6. Check that any limited-quantity exemptions are so designated on the shipping paper.
7. Check that certification is signed by shipper.
8. Make certain driver signs for shipment.

RCRA MANIFEST

1. Check that approved state/federal manifests are prepared.
2. Check that transporter has the following: valid EPA identification number, valid driver's license, valid vehicle registration, insurance protection, and proper DOT labels for materials being shipped.
3. Check that destination address is correct.
4. Check that driver knows where shipment is going.
5. Check that the driver is aware of emergency procedures for spills and accidents.
6. Make certain driver signs for shipment.
7. Make certain one copy of executed manifest and shipping document is retained by shipper.

ATTACHMENT F
DOT SEGREGATION AND SEPARATON CHART

Class or Division	Notes	1.1-1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	2.1	2.2	2.3 gas Zone A*	2.3 gas Zone B*	3	4.1	4.2	4.3	5.1	5.2	6.1 liquids PG-I Zone A*	7	8 liquids only
Explosives ...1.1 and 1.2	A	*	*	*	*	*	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Explosives 1.3		*	*	*	*	*	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X
Explosives 1.4		*	*	*	*	*	O		O	O	O		O				O		O
Very insensitive explosives.....1.5	A	*	*	*	*	*	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Extremely insensitive explosives.....1.6		*	*	*	*	*													
Flammable gases....2.1		X	X	O	X				X	O							O	O	
Non-toxic, non-flammable gases.....2.2		X			X														
Poisonous gas - Zone A**.....2.3		X	X	O	X		X				X	X	X	X	X	X			X
Poisonous gas - Zone B**.....2.3		X	X	O	X		O				O	O	O	O	O	O			O
Flammable liquids 3		X	X	O	X				X	O					O		X		
Flammable solids 4.1		X			X				X	O							X		O
Spontaneously combustible materials.....4.2		X	X	O	X				X	O							X		X
Dangerous-when-wet materials.....4.3		X	X		X				X	O							X		O
Oxidizers.....5.1	A	X	X		X				X	O	O						X		O
Organic peroxides 5.2		X	X		X				X	O							X		O
Poisonous liquids PG I - Zone A**.....6.1		X	X	O	X		O				X	X	X	X	X	X			X
Radioactive materials ..7		X			X		O												
Corrosive liquids.....8		X	X	O	X				X	O		O	X	O	O	O	X		

No entry means that the materials are compatible (have no restrictions).

X These materials may not be loaded, transported, or stored together in the same vehicle or facility.
O The materials may not be loaded, transported, or stored together in the same vehicle or facility unless they are separated for 4 feet on all sides.
* Check the explosives compatibility chart in 49 CFR 179.848(f).
A Ammonium nitrate fertilizers may be stored with Division 1.1 materials.
** Denotes inhalation hazardous for poisons; consult field team leader or project manager if you encounter a material in this class before shipment.

ATTACHMENT G
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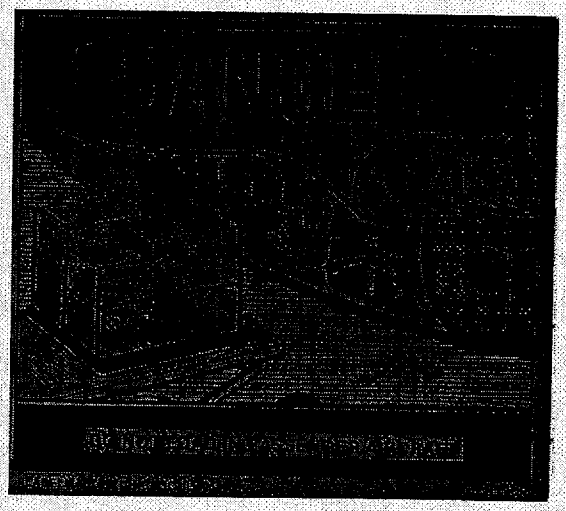

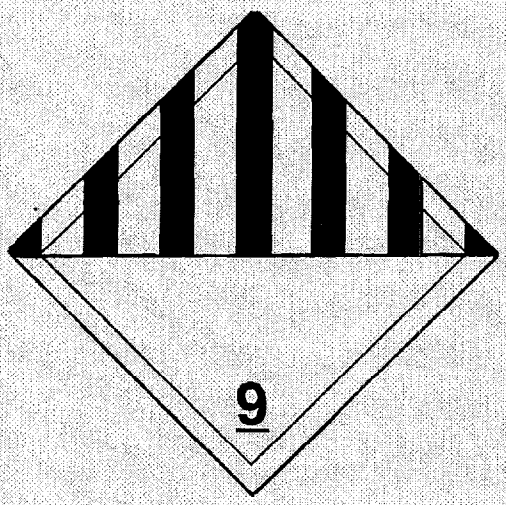

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1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) is to identify and designate the field data record forms, logs and reports generally initiated and maintained for documenting Tetra Tech NUS field activities.

2.0 SCOPE

Documents presented within this procedure (or equivalents) shall be used for all Tetra Tech NUS field activities, as applicable. Other or additional documents may be required by specific client contracts or project planning documents.

3.0 GLOSSARY

None

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Project Manager (PM) - The Project Manager is responsible for obtaining hardbound, controlled-distribution logbooks (from the appropriate source), as needed. In addition, the Project Manager is responsible for placing all field documentation used in site activities (i.e., records, field reports, sample data sheets, field notebooks, and the site logbook) in the project's central file upon the completion of field work.

Field Operations Leader (FOL) - The Field Operations Leader is responsible for ensuring that the site logbook, notebooks, and all appropriate and current forms and field reports illustrated in this guideline (and any additional forms required by the contract) are correctly used, accurately filled out, and completed in the required time-frame.

5.0 PROCEDURES

5.1 Site Logbook

5.1.1 General

The site logbook is a hard-bound, paginated, controlled-distribution record book in which all major onsite activities are documented. At a minimum, the following activities/events shall be recorded or referenced (daily) in the site logbook:

- All field personnel present
- Arrival/departure of site visitors
- Time and date of H&S training
- Arrival/departure of equipment
- Time and date of equipment calibration
- Start and/or completion of borehole, trench, monitoring well installation, etc.
- Daily onsite activities performed each day
- Sample pickup information
- Health and Safety issues (level of protection observed, etc.)
- Weather conditions

A site logbook shall be maintained for each project. The site logbook shall be initiated at the start of the first onsite activity (e.g., site visit or initial reconnaissance survey). Entries are to be made for every day

that onsite activities take place which involve Tetra Tech NUS or subcontractor personnel. Upon completion of the fieldwork, the site logbook must become part of the project's central file.

The following information must be recorded on the cover of each site logbook:

- Project name
- Tetra Tech NUS project number
- Sequential book number
- Start date
- End date

Information recorded daily in the site logbook need not be duplicated in other field notebooks (see Section 5.2), but must summarize the contents of these other notebooks and refer to specific page locations in these notebooks for detailed information (where applicable). An example of a typical site logbook entry is shown in Attachment A.

If measurements are made at any location, the measurements and equipment used must either be recorded in the site logbook or reference must be made to the field notebook in which the measurements are recorded (see Attachment A).

All logbook, notebook, and log sheet entries shall be made in indelible ink (black pen is preferred). No erasures are permitted. If an incorrect entry is made, the entry shall be crossed out with a single strike mark, and initialed and dated. At the completion of entries by any individual, the logbook pages used must be signed and dated. The site logbook must also be signed by the Field Operations Leader at the end of each day.

5.1.2 Photographs

When movies, slides, or photographs are taken of a site or any monitoring location, they must be numbered sequentially to correspond to logbook/notebook entries. The name of the photographer, date, time, site location, site description, and weather conditions must be entered in the logbook/notebook as the photographs are taken. A series entry may be used for rapid-sequence photographs. The photographer is not required to record the aperture settings and shutter speeds for photographs taken within the normal automatic exposure range. However, special lenses, films, filters, and other image-enhancement techniques must be noted in the logbook/notebook. If possible, such techniques shall be avoided, since they can adversely affect the accuracy of photographs. Chain-of-custody procedures depend upon the subject matter, type of camera (digital or film), and the processing it requires. Film used for aerial photography, confidential information, or criminal investigation require chain-of-custody procedures. Once processed, the slides of photographic prints shall be consecutively numbered and labeled according to the logbook/notebook descriptions. The site photographs and associated negatives and/or digitally saved images to compact disks must be docketed into the project's central file.

5.2 Field Notebooks

Key field team personnel may maintain a separate dedicated field notebook to document the pertinent field activities conducted directly under their supervision. For example, on large projects with multiple investigative sites and varying operating conditions, the Health and Safety Officer may elect to maintain a separate field notebook. Where several drill rigs are in operation simultaneously, each site geologist assigned to oversee a rig must maintain a field notebook.

5.3 Field Forms

All Tetra Tech NUS field forms (see list in Section 6.0 of this SOP) can be found on the company's intranet site (http://intranet.ttnus.com) under Field Log Sheets. Forms may be altered or revised for project-specific needs contingent upon client approval. Care must be taken to ensure that all essential information can be documented. Guidelines for completing these forms can be found in the related sampling SOP.

5.3.1 Sample Collection, Labeling, Shipment, Request for Analysis, and Field Test Results

5.3.1.1 Sample Log Sheet

Sample Log Sheets are used to record specified types of data while sampling. The data recorded on these sheets are useful in describing the sample as well as pointing out any problems, difficulties, or irregularities encountered during sampling. A log sheet must be completed for each sample obtained, including field quality control (QC) samples.

5.3.1.2 Sample Label

A typical sample label is illustrated in Attachment B. Adhesive labels must be completed and applied to every sample container. Sample labels can usually be obtained from the appropriate Program source electronically generated in-house, or are supplied from the laboratory subcontractor.

5.3.1.3 Chain-of-Custody Record Form

The Chain-of-Custody (COC) Record is a multi-part form that is initiated as samples are acquired and accompanies a sample (or group of samples) as they are transferred from person to person. This form must be used for any samples collected for chemical or geotechnical analysis whether the analyses are performed on site or off site. One carbonless copy of the completed COC form is retained by the field crew, one copy is sent to the Project Manager (or designee), while the original is sent to the laboratory. The original (top, signed copy) of the COC form shall be placed inside a large Ziploc-type bag and taped inside the lid of the shipping cooler. If multiple coolers are sent but are included on one COC form, the COC form should be sent with the cooler containing vials for VOC analysis or the cooler with the air bill attached. The air bill should then state how many coolers are included with that shipment. An example of a Chain-of-Custody Record form is provided as Attachment C. Once the samples are received at the laboratory, the sample cooler and contents are checked and any problems are noted on the enclosed COC form (any discrepancies between the sample labels and COC form and any other problems that are noted are resolved through communication between the laboratory point-of-contact and the Tetra Tech NUS Project Manager). The COC form is signed and copied. The laboratory will retain the copy while the original becomes part of the samples' corresponding analytical data package.

5.3.1.4 Chain-of-Custody Seal

Attachment D is an example of a custody seal. The Custody seal is an adhesive-backed label. It is part of a chain-of-custody process and is used to prevent tampering with samples after they have been collected in the field and sealed in coolers for transport to the laboratory. The COC seals are signed and dated by the sampler(s) and affixed across the lid and body of each cooler (front and back) containing environmental samples (see SOP SA-6.1). COC seals may be available from the laboratory; these seals may also be purchased from a supplier.

5.3.1.5 Geochemical Parameters Log Sheets

Field Analytical Log Sheets are used to record geochemical and/or natural attenuation field test results.

5.3.2 Hydrogeological and Geotechnical Forms

5.3.2.1 Groundwater Level Measurement Sheet

A Groundwater Level Measurement Sheet must be filled out for each round of water level measurements made at a site.

5.3.2.2 Data Sheet for Pumping Test

During the performance of a pumping test (or an in-situ hydraulic conductivity test), a large amount of data must be recorded, often within a short time period. The Pumping Test Data Sheet facilitates this task by standardizing the data collection format for the pumping well and observation wells, and allowing the time interval for collection to be laid out in advance.

5.3.2.3 Packer Test Report Form

A Packer Test Report Form must be completed for each well upon which a packer test is conducted.

5.3.2.4 Boring Log

During the progress of each boring, a log of the materials encountered, operation and driving of casing, and location of samples must be kept. The Summary Log of Boring, or Boring Log is used for this purpose and must be completed for each soil boring performed. In addition, if volatile organics are monitored on cores, samples, cuttings from the borehole, or breathing zone, (using a PID or FID), these readings must be entered on the boring log at the appropriate depth. The "Remarks" column can be used to subsequently enter the laboratory sample number, the concentration of key analytical results, or other pertinent information. This feature allows direct comparison of contaminant concentrations with soil characteristics.

5.3.2.5 Monitoring Well Construction Details Form

A Monitoring Well Construction Details Form must be completed for every monitoring well, piezometer, or temporary well point installed. This form contains specific information on length and type of well riser pipe and screen, backfill, filter pack, annular seal and grout characteristics, and surface seal characteristics. This information is important in evaluating the performance of the monitoring well, particularly in areas where water levels show temporal variation, or where there are multiple (immiscible) phases of contaminants. Depending on the type of monitoring well (in overburden or bedrock, stick-up or flush mount), different forms are used.

5.3.2.6 Test Pit Log

When a test pit or trench is constructed for investigative or sampling purposes, a Test Pit Log must be filled out by the responsible field geologist or sampling technician.

5.3.2.7 Miscellaneous Monitoring Well Forms

Monitoring Well Materials Certificate of Conformance should be used as the project directs to document all materials utilized during each monitoring well installation.

The Monitoring Well Development Record should be used as the project directs to document all well development activities.

5.3.2.8 Miscellaneous Field Forms - QA and Checklists

Container Sample and Inspection Sheet should be used as the project directs each time a container (drum, tank, etc.) is sampled and/or inspected.

QA Sample Log Sheet should be used at the project directs each time a QA sample is colleted, such as Rinsate Blank, Source Blank, etc.

Field Task Modification Request (FTMR) will be prepared for all deviations from the project planning documents. The FOL is responsible for initiating the FTMRs. Copies of all FTMRs will be maintained with the onsite planning documents and originals will be placed in the final evidence file.

The Field Project Daily Activities Check List and Field Project Pre-Mobilization Checklist should be used during both the planning and field effort to assure that all necessary tasks are planned for and completed. These two forms are not a requirement but a useful tool for most field work.

5.3.3 Equipment Calibration and Maintenance Form

The calibration or standardization of monitoring, measuring or test equipment is necessary to assure the proper operation and response of the equipment, to document the accuracy, precision or sensitivity of the measurement, and determine if correction should be applied to the readings. Some items of equipment require frequent calibration, others infrequent. Some are calibrated by the manufacturer, others by the user.

Each instrument requiring calibration has its own Equipment Calibration Log which documents that the manufacturer's instructions were followed for calibration of the equipment, including frequency and type of standard or calibration device. An Equipment Calibration Log must be maintained for each electronic measuring device used in the field; entries must be made for each day the equipment is used or in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

5.4 Field Reports

The primary means of recording onsite activities is the site logbook. Other field notebooks may also be maintained. These logbooks and notebooks (and supporting forms) contain detailed information required for data interpretation or documentation, but are not easily useful for tracking and reporting of progress. Furthermore, the field logbook/notebooks remain onsite for extended periods of time and are thus not accessible for timely review by project management.

5.4.1 Daily Activities Report

To provide timely oversight of onsite contractors, Daily Activities Reports are completed and submitted as described below.

5.4.1.1 Description

The Daily Activities Report (DAR) documents the activities and progress for each day's field work. This report must be filled out on a daily basis whenever there are drilling, test pitting, well construction, or other related activities occurring which involve subcontractor personnel. These sheets summarize the work performed and form the basis of payment to subcontractors. The DAR form can be found on the TtNUS intranet site.

5.4.1.2 Responsibilities

It is the responsibility of the rig geologist to complete the DAR and obtain the driller's signature acknowledging that the times and quantities of material entered are correct.

5.4.1.3 Submittal and Approval

At the end of the shift, the rig geologist must submit the Daily Activities Report to the Field Operations Leader (FOL) for review and filing. The Daily Activities Report is not a formal report and thus requires no further approval. The DAR reports are retained by the FOL for use in preparing the site logbook and in preparing weekly status reports for submission to the Project Manager.

5.4.2 Weekly Status Reports

To facilitate timely review by project management, photocopies of logbook/notebook entries may be made for internal use.

It should be noted that in addition to summaries described herein, other summary reports may also be contractually required.

All Tetra Tech NUS field forms can be found on the company's intranet site at http://intranet.ttnus.com under Field Log Sheets.

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Groundwater Sample Log Sheet
Surface Water Sample Log Sheet
Soil/Sediment Sample Log Sheet
Container Sample and Inspection Sheet
Geochemical Parameters (Natural Attenuation)
Groundwater Level Measurement Sheet
Pumping Test Data Sheet
Packer Test Report Form
Boring Log
Monitoring Well Construction Bedrock Flush Mount
Monitoring Well Construction Bedrock Open Hole
Monitoring Well Construction Bedrock Stick Up
Monitoring Well Construction Confining Layer
Monitoring Well Construction Overburden Flush Mount
Monitoring Well Construction Overburden Stick Up
Test Pit Log
Monitoring Well Materials Certificate of Conformance
Monitoring Well Development Record

Daily Activities Record
Field Task Modification Request
Hydraulic Conductivity Test Data Sheet
Low Flow Purge Data Sheet
QA Sample Log Sheet
Equipment Calibration Log
Field Project Daily Activities Checklist
Field Project Pre-Mobilization Checklist

ATTACHMENT A
TYPICAL SITE LOGBOOK ENTRY

START TIME: _____ DATE: _____

SITE LEADER: _____

PERSONNEL:

TtNUS	DRILLER	SITE VISITORS
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

WEATHER: Clear, 68°F, 2-5 mph wind from SE

ACTIVITIES:

1. Steam jenney and fire hoses were set up.
2. Drilling activities at well ____ resumes. Rig geologist was _____. See Geologist's Notebook, No. 1, page 29-30, for details of drilling activity. Sample No. 123-21-S4 collected; see sample logbook, page 42. Drilling activities completed at 11:50 and a 4-inch stainless steel well installed. See Geologist's Notebook, No. 1, page 31, and well construction details for well _____.
3. Drilling rig No. 2 steam-cleaned at decontamination pit. Then set up at location of well _____.
4. Well _____ drilled. Rig geologist was _____. See Geologist's Notebook, No. 2, page ____ for details of drilling activities. Sample numbers 123-22-S1, 123-22-S2, and 123-22-S3 collected; see sample logbook, pages 43, 44, and 45.
5. Well _____ was developed. Seven 55-gallon drums were filled in the flushing stage. The well was then pumped using the pitcher pump for 1 hour. At the end of the hour, water pumped from well was "sand free."
6. EPA remedial project manger arrives on site at 14:25 hours.
7. Large dump truck arrives at 14:45 and is steam-cleaned. Backhoe and dump truck set up over test pit _____.
8. Test pit _____ dug with cuttings placed in dump truck. Rig geologist was _____. See Geologist's Notebook, No. 1, page 32, for details of test pit activities. Test pit subsequently filled. No samples taken for chemical analysis. Due to shallow groundwater table, filling in of test pit ___ resulted in a very soft and wet area. A mound was developed and the area roped off.
9. Express carrier picked up samples (see Sample Logbook, pages 42 through 45) at 17:50 hours. Site activities terminated at 18:22 hours. All personnel off site, gate locked.

_____

Field Operations Leader

ATTACHMENT B

Tetra Tech NUS, Inc. 661 Andersen Drive Pittsburgh, 15220 (412)921-7090	**Project:** **Site:** **Location:**	
Sample No:		**Matrix:**
Date:	**Time:**	**Preserve:**
Analysis:		
Sampled by:	**Laboratory:**	

ATTACHMENT C

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PROJECT NO:	FACILITY:	PROJECT MANAGER	PHONE NUMBER	LABORATORY NAME AND CONTACT:
SAMPLERS (SIGNATURE)		FIELD OPERATIONS LEADER	PHONE NUMBER	ADDRESS
		CARRIER/WAYBILL NUMBER		CITY, STATE

STANDARD TAT ☐
RUSH TAT ☐
☐ 24 hr. ☐ 48 hr. ☐ 72 hr. ☐ 7 day ☐ 14 day

CONTAINER TYPE PLASTIC (P) or GLASS (G)
PRESERVATIVE USED

DATE YEAR	TIME	SAMPLE ID	LOCATION ID	TOP DEPTH (FT)	BOTTOM DEPTH (FT)	MATRIX (GW, SO, SW, SD, QC, ETC.)	COLLECTION METHOD GRAP (G) COMP (C)	No. OF CONTAINERS	TYPE OF ANALYSIS								COMMENTS

1. RELINQUISHED BY	DATE	TIME	1. RECEIVED BY	DATE	TIME
2. RELINQUISHED BY	DATE	TIME	2. RECEIVED BY	DATE	TIME
3. RELINQUISHED BY	DATE	TIME	3. RECEIVED BY	DATE	TIME
COMMENTS					

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ATTACHMENT D

CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY SEAL

CUSTODY SEAL

Date

Signature

CUSTODY SEAL

Date

Signature

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1.0 PURPOSE

Decontamination is the process of removing and/or neutralizing site contaminants that have contacted and/or accumulated on equipment. The objective/purpose of this SOP is intended to protect site personnel, general public, and the sample integrity through the prevention of cross contamination onto unaffected persons or areas. It is further intended through this procedure to provide guidelines regarding the appropriate procedures to be followed when decontaminating drilling equipment, monitoring well materials, chemical sampling equipment and field analytical equipment.

2.0 SCOPE

This procedure applies to all equipment including drilling equipment, heavy equipment, monitoring well materials, as well as chemical sampling and field analytical equipment decontamination that may be used to provide access/acquire environmental samples. Where technologically and economically feasible, single use sealed disposable equipment will be employed to minimize the potential for cross contamination. This procedure also provides general reference information on the control of contaminated materials.

3.0 GLOSSARY

Acid - For decontamination of equipment when sampling for trace levels of inorganics, a 10% solution of nitric acid in deionized water should be used. Due to the leaching ability of nitric acid, it should not be used on stainless steel.

Alconox/Liquinox - A brand of phosphate-free laboratory-grade detergent.

Decontamination Solution - Is a solution selected/identified within the Health and Safety Plan or Project-Specific Quality Assurance Plan. The solution is selected and employed as directed by the project chemist/health and safety professional.

Deionized Water (DI) - Deionized water is tap water that has been treated by passing through a standard deionizing resin column. This water may also pass through additional filtering media to attain various levels of analyte-free status. The DI water should meet CAP and NCCLS specifications for reagent grade, Type I water.

Potable Water - Tap water used from any municipal water treatment system. Use of an untreated potable water supply is not an acceptable substitute for tap water.

Pressure Washing - Employs high pressure pumps and nozzle configuration to create a high pressure spray of potable water. High pressure spray is employed to remove solids.

Solvent - The solvent of choice is pesticide-grade Isopropanol. Use of other solvents (methanol, acetone, pesticide-grade hexane, or petroleum ether) may be required for particular projects or for a particular purpose (e.g. for the removal of concentrated waste) and must be justified in the project planning documents. As an example, it may be necessary to use hexane when analyzing for trace levels of pesticides, PCBs, or fuels. In addition, because many of these solvents are not miscible in water, the equipment should be air dried prior to use. Solvents should not be used on PVC equipment or well construction materials.

Steam Pressure Washing - This method employs a high pressure spray of heated potable water. This method through the application of heat provides for the removal of various organic/inorganic compounds.

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES

Project Manager - Responsible for ensuring that all field activities are conducted in accordance with approved project plan(s) requirements.

Field Operations Leader (FOL) - Responsible for the onsite verification that all field activities are performed in compliance with approved Standards Operating Procedures or as otherwise dictated by the approved project plan(s).

Site Health and Safety Officer (SHSO) - The SHSO exercises shared responsibility with the FOL concerning decontamination effectiveness. All equipment arriving on-site (as part of the equipment inspection), leaving the site, moving between locations are required to go through a decontamination evaluation. This is accomplished through visual examination and/or instrument screening to determine the effectiveness of the decontamination process. Failure to meet these objectives are sufficient to restrict equipment from entering the site/exiting the site/ or moving to a new location on the site until the objectives are successfully completed.

5.0 PROCEDURES

The process of decontamination is accomplished through the removal of contaminants, neutralization of contaminants, or the isolation of contaminants. In order to accomplish this activity a level of preparation is required. This includes site preparation, equipment selection, and evaluation of the process. Site contaminant types, concentrations, media types, are primary drivers in the selection of the types of decontamination as well as where it will be conducted. For purposes of this SOP discussion will be provided concerning general environmental investigation procedures.

The decontamination processes are typically employed at:

- Temporary Decontamination Pads/Facilities
- Sample Locations
- Centralized Decontamination Pad/Facilities
- Combination of some or all of the above

The following discussion represents recommended site preparation in support of the decontamination process.

5.1 Decontamination Design/Constructions Considerations

5.1.1 Temporary Decontamination Pads

Temporary decontamination pads are constructed at satellite locations in support of temporary work sites. These structures are generally constructed to support the decontamination of heavy equipment such as drill rigs and earth moving equipment but can be employed for smaller articles.

The purpose of the decontamination pad is to contain wash waters and potentially contaminated soils generated during decontamination procedures. Therefore, construction of these pads should take into account the following considerations

- Site Location – The site selected should be within a reasonable distance from the work site but should avoid:

  - Pedestrian/Vehicle thoroughfares
  - Areas where control/custody cannot be maintained
  - Areas where a potential releases may be compounded through access to storm water transport systems, streams or other potentially sensitive areas.
  - Areas potentially contaminated.

- Pad – The pad should be constructed to provide the following characteristics

  - Size – The size of the pad should be sufficient to accept the equipment to be decontaminated as well as permitting free movement around the equipment by the personnel conducting the decontamination.

  - Slope – An adequate slope will be constructed to permit the collection of the water and potentially contaminated soils within a trough or sump constructed at one end. The collection point for wash waters should be of adequate distance that the decontamination workers do not have to walk through the wash waters while completing their tasks.

  - Sidewalls – The sidewalls should be a minimum of 6-inches in height to provide adequate containment for wash waters and soils. If splash represents a potential problem, splash guards should be constructed to control overspray. Sidewalls maybe constructed of wood, inflatables, sand bags, etc. to permit containment.

  - Liner – Depending on the types of equipment and the decontamination method the liner should be of sufficient thickness to provide a puncture resistant barrier between the decontamination operation and the unprotected environment. Care should be taken to examine the surface area prior to placing the liner to remove sharp articles (sticks, stones, debris) that could puncture the liner. Liners are intended to form an impermeable barrier. The thickness may vary from a minimum recommended thickness of 10 mil to 30 mil. Achieving the desired thickness maybe achieved through layering lighter constructed materials. It should be noted that various materials (rubber, polyethylene sheeting) become slippery when wet. To minimize this potential hazard associated with a sloped liner a light coating of sand maybe applied to provide traction as necessary.

  - Wash/drying Racks – Auger flights, drill/drive rods require racks positioned off of the ground to permit these articles to be washed, drained, and dried while secured from falling during this process. A minimum ground clearance of 2-feet is recommended.

  - Maintenance – The work area should be periodically cleared of standing water, soils, and debris. This action will aid in eliminating slip, trip, and fall hazards. In addition, these articles will reduce potential backsplash and cross contamination. Hoses should be gathered when not in use to eliminate potential tripping hazards.

5.1.2 Decontamination Activities at Drill Rigs/DPT Units

During subsurface sampling activities including drilling and direct push activities decontamination of drive rods, Macro Core Samplers, split spoons, etc. are typically conducted at an area adjacent to the operation. Decontamination is generally accomplished using a soap/water wash and rinse utilizing buckets and brushes. This area requires sufficient preparation to accomplish the decontamination objectives.

Buckets shall be placed within mortar tubs or similar secondary containment tubs to prevent splash and spills from reaching unprotected media. Drying racks will be employed as directed for temporary pads to permit parts to dry and be evaluated prior to use/re-use.

5.1.3 Decontamination Activities at Remote Sample Locations

When sampling at remote locations sampling devices such as trowels, pumps/tubing should be evacuated of potentially contaminated media to the extent possible. This equipment should be wrapped in plastic for transport to the temporary/centralized decontamination location for final cleaning and disposition.

5.2 Equipment Decontamination Procedures

The following represents procedures to be employed for the decontamination of equipment that may have contacted and/or accumulated contamination through site investigation activities.

5.2.1 Monitoring Well Sampling Equipment

5.2.1.1 Groundwater sampling pumps – This includes pumps inserted into the monitoring well such as Bladder pumps, Whale pumps, Redi-Flo, reusable bailers, etc.

1) Evacuate to the extent possible, any purge water within the pump.

2) Scrub using soap and water and/or steam clean the outside of the pump and tubing, where applicable.

3) Insert the pump and tubing into a clean container of soapy water. Pump a sufficient amount of soapy water through the pump to flush any residual purge water. Once flushed, circulate soapy water through the pump to ensure the internal components are thoroughly flushed.

4) Remove the pump and tubing from the container, rinse external components using tap water. Insert the pump and tubing into a clean container of tap water. Pump a sufficient amount of tap water through the pump to evacuate all of the soapy water (until clear).

5) Rinse equipment with pesticide grade isopropanol

6) Repeat item #4 using deionized water through the hose to flush out the tap water and solvent residue as applicable*.

7) Drain residual deionized water to the extent possible, allow components to air dry.

8) Wrap pump in aluminum foil or a clear clean plastic bag for storage.

5.2.1.2 Electronic Water Level Indicators/Sounders/Tapes

During water level measurements, rinsing with the extracted tape and probe with deionized water and wiping the surface of the extracted tape is acceptable. However, periodic full decontamination should be conducted as indicated below.

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* - The solvent should be employed when samples contain oil, grease, PAHs, PCBs, and other hard to remove materials. If these are not of primary concern, the solvent step may be omitted. In addition, do not rinse PE, PVC, and associated tubing with solvents.

1) Wash with soap and water
2) Rinse with tap water
3) Rinse with deionized water

Note: In situations where oil, grease, free product, other hard to remove materials are encountered probes and exposed tapes should be washed in hot soapy water.

5.2.1.3 Miscellaneous Equipment

Miscellaneous equipment including analytical equipment (water quality testing equipment) should be cleaned per manufacturer's instructions. This generally includes wiping down the sensor housing and rinsing with tap and deionized water.

Coolers/Shipping Containers employed to ship samples are received from the lab in a variety of conditions from marginal to extremely poor. Coolers should be evaluated prior to use for

- Structural integrity – Coolers missing handles or having breaks within the outer housing should be removed and not used. Notify the laboratory that the risk of shipping samples will not be attempted and request a replacement unit.

- Cleanliness – As per protocol only volatile organic samples are accompanied by a trip blank. If a cooler's cleanliness is in question (visibly dirty/stained) or associated with noticeable odors it should be decontaminated prior to use.

  1) Wash with soap and water
  2) Rinse with tap water
  3) Dry

If these measures fail to clean the cooler to an acceptable level, remove the unit from use as a shipping container and notify the laboratory to provide a replacement unit.

5.2.2 Down-Hole Drilling Equipment

This includes any portion of the drill rig that is over the borehole including auger flights, drill stems, rods, and associated tooling that would extend over the borehole. This procedure is to be employed prior to initiating the drilling/sampling activity, then between locations.

1) Remove all soils to the extent possible using shovels, scrapers, etc. to remove loose soils.
2) Through a combination of scrubbing using soap and water and/or steam cleaning remove visible dirt/soils.
3) Rinse with tap water.
4) Rinse equipment with pesticide grade isopropanol
5) To the extent possible allow components to air dry.
6) Wrap or cover equipment in clear plastic until it is time to be used.

5.2.3 Soil/Sediment Sampling Equipment

This consists of soil sampling equipment including but not limited to hand augers, stainless steel trowels/spoons, bowls, dredges, scoops, split spoons, Macro Core samplers, etc.

1) Remove all soils to the extent possible.

2) Through a combination of scrubbing using soap and water and/or steam cleaning remove visible dirt/soils.

3) Rinse with tap water.

4) Rinse equipment with pesticide grade isopropanol

5) Rinse with deionized water

6) To the extent possible allow components to air dry.

7) If the device is to be used immediately, screen with a PID/FID to insure all solvents (if they were used) and trace contaminants have been adequately removed.

8) Once these devices have been dried wrap in aluminum foil for storage until it is time to be used.

5.3 Contact Waste/Materials

During the course of field investigations disposable/single use equipment becomes contaminated. These items include tubing, trowels, PPE (gloves, overboots, splash suits, etc.) broken sample containers.

With the exception of the broken glass, single use articles should be cleaned (washed and rinsed) of visible materials and disposed of as normal refuse. The exception to this rule is that extremely soiled materials that cannot be cleaned should be containerized for disposal in accordance with applicable federal state and local regulations.

5.3.1 Decontamination Solutions

All waste decontamination solutions and rinses must be assumed to contain the hazardous chemicals associated with the site unless there are analytical or other data to the contrary. The waste solution volumes could vary from a few gallons to several hundred gallons in cases where large equipment required cleaning.

Containerized waste rinse solutions are best stored in 55-gallon drums (or equivalent containers) that can be sealed until ultimate disposal at an approved facility. These containers must be appropriately labeled.

5.4 Decontamination Evaluation

Determining the effectiveness of the decontamination process will be accomplished in the following manner

- Visual Evaluation – A visual evaluation will be conducted to insure the removal of particulate matter. This will be done to insure that the washing/rinsing process is working as intended.

- Instrument Screening – A PID and/or an FID should be used to evaluate the presence of the contaminants or solvents used in the cleaning process. The air intake of the instrument should be passed over the article to be evaluated. A positive detection requires a repeat the decontamination process. It should be noted that the instrument scan is only viable if the contaminants are detectable within the instruments capabilities.

- Rinsate Blanks – It is recommended that Rinsate samples be collected to

  - Evaluate the decontamination procedure representing different equipment applications (pumps versus drilling equipment) and different decontamination applications.

  - Single use disposable equipment – The number of samples should represent different types of equipment as well as different Lot Numbers of single use articles.

The collection and the frequency of collection of rinsate samples are as follows:

- Per decontamination method
- Per disposable article/Batch number of disposable articles

It is recommended that an initial rinsate sample be collected early in the project to ensure that the decontamination process is functioning properly and in an effort to avoid using a contaminated batch of single use articles. It is recommended that a follow up sample be collected during the execution of the project to insure those conditions do not change. Lastly, rinsate samples collection may be driven by types of and/or contaminant levels. Hard to remove contaminants, oils/greases, some PAHs/PCBs, etc. may also support the collection of additional rinsates due to the obvious challenges to the decontamination process. This is a field consideration to be determined by the FOL.

APPENDIX B

FIELD FORMS

TETRA TECH NUS, INC.

FIELD MODIFICATION RECORD

Site Name: _____ Location: _____

Project Number: _____ Task Assignment: _____

To: _____ Location: _____ Date: _____

Description: _____

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_____

Reason for Change: _____

_____

_____

Recommended Action: _____

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_____

Field Operations Leader (Signature): _____ Date: _____

Disposition/Action: _____

_____

_____

Project Manager (Signature): _____ Date: _____

Distribution:

Program Manager:	_____	Others as Required:
Project Manager:	_____	_____
Quality Assurance Officer:	_____	_____
Field Operations Leader:	_____	_____
Project File:	_____	_____

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BORING LOG FOR: _____
PROJECT NO.: _____
LOGGED BY: _____
DRILLED BY (Company/Driller): _____
GRD. SURFACE ELEVATION: _____

TRANSCRIBED BY: _____
ELEVATION FROM: _____

BORING NO.: _____
START DATE: _____
COMPLETION: DATE: _____
MON. WELL NO.: _____
CHECKED BY: _____

DEPTH (FEET)	BLOWS PER 6"	SAMP REC. / SAMP LENG.	SAMPLING TIME & SAMPLE NO. (QA/QC STATUS)	DEPTH MAT'L CHG./ WELL PROF'L	SOIL DENSITY/ CONSIS. or ROCK HARD.	CLR	MATERIAL CLASSIFICATION	USCS or ROCK BRKN	REMARKS (moisture condition; odors; geological classification; rock weathering; etc.)	FIELD SCREENING DATA *METHOD* = [FID, (PPM)]

TYPE OF DRILLING RIG: _____
METHOD OF ADVANCING BORING: _____
METHOD OF SOIL SAMPLING: _____
METHOD OF ROCK CORING: _____
GROUNDWATER LEVELS: _____
OTHER OBSERVATIONS: _____

BORING NO.:

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TETRA TECH NUS, INC.

JAR HEADSPACE ANALYSIS LOG

SITE NAME: _____

SITE LOCATION: _____

PROJECT NO./CTO NO.: _____

SAMPLE LOCATION: _____

INSTRUMENT: _____

SERIAL NO.: _____

MODEL NO.: _____

SAMPLE PREP METHOD[1] _____

HEADSPACE ANALYST: _____

DATE: _____

SAMPLE TYPE[2]/NUMBER	SAMPLE DEPTH (FEET)	READING (ppm)	COMMENTS

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1) (a) ambient temp
(h) heated (air)
(w) hot water bath

2) Type of Sample
SB Soil Boring
SD Sediment Sample
GW Groundwater Sample
TP Test Pit Sample
SS Soil Sample

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SAMPLE LOG SHEET - LIQUID PHASE

Site Name: _____
Sample ID: _____

Tetra Tech NUS Charge No. _____
QC Information: _____ (if applicable)

Sample Method/Device: _____
Depth Sampled: _____feet Total Depth _____ feet (SW Only)
Sample Date & Time: ___/___/___ _____ hours
Sampler(s): _____

_____

Recorded By: _____
Signature

TYPE OF SAMPLE: (Check all that apply)

____ Groundwater
____ Surface Water
____ Residential Supply
____ Grab
____ Composite

____ Trip Blank*
____ Rinsate Blank*
____ Field Duplicate Collected
____ Other (Specify): _____

* include sample source & lot No.

WELL PURGE DATA:

Well Depth	feet	Purge Start	hrs
Inside Diameter	Inches	Purge Stop Time	hrs
Water Level	feet	Total Gallons Purged	
Well Volume	gal.	Purge Method	

Color: _____ Turbidity: CLR/SL CLDY/CLDY/OPAQ

Micro Tip/OVA Monitor Reading: ppm

Sampling/Purge Data:

Vol. #	Temp ¤C	pH	Spec. Cond.	DO
0				
1				
3				
4				

ANALYSIS	BOTTLE LOT NO.	TRAFFIC REPORT NO.		COMMENTS
		ORGANIC	INORGANIC	

TtNUS Form 0004

TETRA TECH NUS, INC.

SAMPLE COLLECTION SUMMARY RECORD

PROJECT NAME: _____ TETRA TECH NUS CHARGE NUMBER: _____

SAMPLING EVENT: _____ CASE NO.: _____ DAS NO.: _____

DATE	TIME	SAMPLE LOCATION	FIELD QC							COMMENTS

TtNUS Form 0012

TETRA TECH NUS, INC.

PHOTOIONIZATION DETECTOR FIELD CALIBRATION LOG

Serial No.: _____ Model No.: _____ Decal No.: _____

Site Name/Location: _____ Tetra Tech NUS Charge No.: _____

CALIBRATION DATE	STANDARD GAS-ISOBUTYLENE	CALIBRATION READING Isobutylene Equiv. (ppm)	CALIBRATION CHECK Isobutylene Equiv. (ppm)	SIGNATURE	COMMENTS
	Lot # _____ Conc. = _____ ppm				
	Lot # _____ Conc. = _____ ppm				
	Lot # _____ Conc. = _____ ppm				
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	Lot # _____ Conc. = _____ ppm				

TtNUS Form 0006

TETRA TECH NUS, INC.

FIELD INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION LOG

INSTRUMENT NAME: _____ MODEL No.: _____

SERIAL No.: _____ DECAL No.: _____ TETRA TECH NUS CHARGE No. _____

CALIBRATION DATE	INITIAL READING	PROCEDURE	FINAL READING	SIGNATURE	COMMENTS

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TETRA TECH NUS, INC.

PROJECT NAME: _____ RIG NUMBER & TYPE _____

PROJECT NUMBER: _____ DATE: _____

LOCATION: _____ INSPECTED BY: _____

	ITEM	√	COMMENTS
1	Number of Emergency shutdown switches_____ All personnel knowledgeable of their location (s). Switches have been tested prior to commencement of drilling operations		
2	Steel cables are not frayed		
3	Ropes are not frayed		
4	Hydraulic fluids, and lubricants are not leaking		
5	Equipment with proper guards in place (chains to secure high-power air lines in the event of a break)		
6	Use of improper tools, pins, or other devices in poor condition		
7	Using worn air or hydraulic lines		
8	Cleaning-up the work site		
9	Storing fuels or other fluids in proper containers		
10	Hard hats, safety eyewear, steel toe/shank boots, hearing protection, Gloves, tyvek worn by driller/helper		
11	Proper protection equipment required by the Health & Safety Plan		
12	Decontamination Equipment		
13	Vehicle warning alarms (horn, mast, and back-up alarms)		
14	Fire extinguishers; fully charged and accessible		
15	Electrical wiring and switches		
16	Documentation of each driller's compliance with OSHA Health & Safety Training requirements		

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The FOL and SSO can request demonstration that the equipment is functioning properly.

TETRA TECH NUS, INC.

RECORD OF FIELD WORK ORIENTATION

SITE: _____ JOB No.: _____

WORK ASSIGNMENT No.: _____

TASK OR ACTIVITY: _____ DATE OF ORIENTATION: _____

PERSONNEL ATTENDING	TRAINERS	FOL	PROJECT MGR.
1.	1.	1.	1.
2.	2.		
3.	3.		
4.			
5.			
6.			
7.			

VERIFICATIONS (CHECK AND INITIAL BY ATTENDEES)

	WORK PLAN REVIEWED	SAP/QAPP REVIEWED	SOGs REVIEWED	SITE/EQUIP. SECURITY REVIEWED	EQUIPMENT OPERATION	H&S PLAN REVIEWED	PURCHASING	INITIALS
1.								
2.								
3.								
4.								
5.								
6.								
7.								

RETURN ORIGINAL TO THE QUALITY ASSURANCE OFFICER

Copies to: PROJECT FILE: _____

PROJECT MANAGER: _____

PROGRAM MANAGER: _____

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