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Dear Mr. Ahmed,

Haley & Aldrich of New York, on behalf of 1885 Atlantic Realty LLC (1885 Atlantic), is submitting for the review and approval of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) this revised Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP) for the 1885 Atlantic Avenue Redevelopment BCP Site C224347, Speedway #7833, located at 1885 Atlantic Avenue in Brooklyn, New York (Site). This document was submitted as part of 1885 Atlantic Avenue Redevelopment Site's Brownfield Cleanup Program Application for the Site, and has been revised to reflect comments received from the Department. This RIWP has been developed based on the NYSDEC's "Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation" (DER-10 dated May 2010).

Response to NYSDEC Comments:

1. Section 3.2, Selective Demolition has been deleted and will be included in the Interim Remedial Measures Work Plan.
2. Section 3.2 (formerly Section 3.3) Soil Sampling, 2nd paragraph has been updated to note that all soil boring will be advanced to 35 ft below grade surface (bgs), soil samples will be collected from 0-0.5 ft bgs, 15-20 ft bgs, and 30-35 ft bgs. An additional sample will be collected at the base of urban fill and/or petroleum contamination, assumed to be at approximately 6 to 8 ft bgs. Additional samples will be collected from any interval exhibiting elevated PID readings or visual and olfactory impacts.
3. Section 3.3 (formerly Section 3.4) Groundwater Sampling has been revised to reflect monitoring wells screen will be at least 7 to 8 ft below groundwater interface.
4. Figure 2 has been updated: 1) Soil vapor point SG-4 was moved to the east, 2) soil vapor point SG-1 was moved towards the center of the site, 3) Soil boring/groundwater monitoring well SB-2/MW-2 was moved to the north.

5. Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) included in Appendix D has been updated for the site specific plan associated with 1885 Atlantic Avenue.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if there are any questions regarding this submittal or any other aspects of the project.

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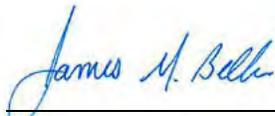
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*I, James M. Bellew, certify that I am currently a Qualified Environmental Professional as defined in 6 NYCRR Part 375 and that that this Remedial Investigation Work Plan was prepared in accordance with the applicable statues and regulations and in substantial conformance with the DER Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation (DER-10).*



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## 1. Introduction

On behalf of 1885 Atlantic, Haley & Aldrich of New York (Haley & Aldrich) has prepared this Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP) for the 1885 Atlantic Avenue Redevelopment BCP Site C224347, Speedway #7833 located at 1885 Atlantic Avenue (see Figure 1) in Brooklyn, New York (Site). This RIWP was prepared in accordance with the regulations and guidance applicable to the BCP.

The Site, identified as Block 1714 Lot 30 on the New York City tax map, is located in the borough of Brooklyn and is comprised of one 9,280 square foot (sq ft) tax lot. The Site is bounded by the following: a parking lot followed by a vacant vegetated lot to the north; Ralph Avenue followed by mixed-use commercial and residential buildings to the east; Atlantic Avenue and Long Island Railroad tracks followed by commercial buildings, including an auto repair facility to the south; and, a commercial building occupied by a “McDonalds” to the west. The Site location is shown in Figure 1. Existing Site features are shown in Figure 2. The Site is currently occupied by an active retail petroleum station operated by Speedway LLC. Attachment 1a of the BCP Application provides a detailed description of the Site, historical use, and regulatory history, including a summary of previous site characterization activities.

The Site is currently zoned as Residential M1/R7, MX-10 zoning area (special mixed-use MX-10). The Site is located in an urban area surrounded by mixed-use commercial and residential properties served by municipal water.

The Site is an E-Designation Site identified under the E-185– Bedford Stuyvesant South Rezoning and Text Amendment (CEQR 07DCP070K). The requirements under the E-Designation program are satisfaction of the requirements for Hazardous Material and Noise with the New York City Office of Environmental Remediation (NYCOER). The Noise requirement generally states “In order to ensure an acceptable interior noise environment, future residential/commercial uses must provide a closed window condition with a minimum of 35 dB(A) window/wall attenuation on all building’s south façade in order to maintain an interior noise level of 45 dB(A)...In order to maintain a closed window condition, alternative means ventilation must be provided...”

We understand that 1885 Atlantic plans to redevelop the Site for mixed residential (including 421-a affordable housing) and commercial purposes consistent with current zoning amendments.

### 1.1 PURPOSE

Based on the current and former use of the Site, and previous investigations conducted, volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and metals are the anticipated contaminants of concern. A Remedial Investigation (RI) was performed in June 1998 to further investigate and delineate the petroleum-related contamination previously identified in Site soils and assess soil vapor at the Site. This RI revealed elevated VOC concentrations in Site soils and elevated photoionization detector (PID) detections of hydrocarbons in soil vapor. A summary of the historical soil and soil vapor analytical data collected at the Site is further detailed in Section 2.5 and displayed in Figure 3.

Previous investigations did not include groundwater sampling and did not comprehensively delineate the extent of soil or soil vapor contamination on the Site. A RI will be performed upon acceptance of the Site into the BCP and approval of this RIWP. An Interim Remedial Measures Work Plan was submitted to the Department addressing removal of petroleum underground storage tanks and related remediation, implementation of which will also facilitate work activities included in this RIWP. Results of the additional sample analyses will be used to confirm the results of the previous site characterization activities, delineate any on-site source(s), and determine a course for remedial action.

## 2. Background

### 2.1 CURRENT LAND USE

The Site is currently occupied by an active retail petroleum station and consists of the following: a one-story structure utilized for storage, located in the southwest portion of the Site; a one-story structure (accessible by employees only) and petroleum pump islands, located beneath an overhead canopy in the southern portion of the Site; five USTs, containing gasoline/ethanol, and associated fill ports, located north of the overhead canopy; and, paved parking areas.

### 2.2 SITE HISTORY

Earliest records identify the Site was vacant until 1908 when it was partially developed with a two-story woodworking shop in the western portion of the property. By 1932, the woodworking shop was replaced with an auto repair shop, and a garage was developed on the southern half of the property. A gasoline tank is indicated on the 1932 Sanborn Fire Insurance Map in the southern portion of the property along Atlantic Avenue.

By the early 1950s, the former garage operated as a metal product manufacturing facility, and the former auto repair shop was occupied by a plumber. By the early 1960s, the formerly identified structures were razed, and the Site was identified as a gasoline filling station and an auto wrecking facility, with the Site partially developed with a one-story building. The formerly identified gasoline tank was not depicted on Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps after 1951.

By 1978, the formerly identified structures were razed and auto wrecking facility was no longer present. The entire Site was identified as a gasoline service station with a one-story commercial building in the northwest corner of the property. City directories indicate that "Safeway Ralph" operated the gasoline station in the early to mid-1970s, followed by "Merit Gasoline Stations." Today, the Site continues to operate in a similar manner, and in the early 1980s, an overhead canopy was developed on a portion of the Site. Gasoline tanks are not depicted on historical maps; however, regulatory database records indicate the presence of petroleum bulk storage tanks on the property from 1972 through present-day.

### 2.3 SURROUNDING LAND USE

The Site is located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Atlantic Avenue and Ralph Avenue in an urban area in the borough of Brooklyn. Jamaica Bay is located approximately 3.78 miles southeast of the Site. One school, St Marks UMC Headstart Preschool, is located approximately 400 ft northwest of the Site at 933 Herkimer Street; and, one daycare, Shirley Chisholm Day Care Center, is located approximately 475 ft southeast of the Site at 2023 Pacific Street. No hospitals are located within a 500 foot radius of the Site. Properties immediately surrounding the Site are zoned for mixed-use commercial and residential use.

## 2.4 SURROUNDING LAND USE HISTORY

The area surrounding the Site was historically used for commercial and manufacturing/industrial purposes from the late 1800s through the 1970s. Since the 1970s, industrial and manufacturing operations ceased. Through the 1970s to current, the area is predominantly commercial mixed use.

## 2.5 PREVIOUS INVESTIGATIONS

According to various government database, there were multiple subsurface investigations performed during the period from 1993 to 2002. These investigations were conducted to evaluate the petroleum spills impacts to the Site. The qualities of soil, groundwater and soil vapor were studied. Only the following reports were available for review:

- Site Investigation Report, 21 April 1993, Prepared by Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc., Prepared for Merit Oil of New York, Inc.
- Site Investigation Report Underground Storage Tank Closure, 27 June 1994, prepared by Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc., Prepared for Merit Oil of New York, Inc.
- Site Assessment Report, 2 November 1994, Prepared by Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc., Prepared for Merit Oil of New York, Inc.
- Remedial Investigation Report, 3 June 1998, Prepared by Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc., Prepared for Merit Oil of New York, Inc.
- Spill Closure Report, December 2002, Prepared by EnviroTrac, Ltd.
- Limited Phase II Environmental Site Assessment. Speedway Site 7833, November 2021, Prepared by Haley & Aldrich of New York

Pertinent issues identified in those reports are summarized below and relevant excerpts from these reports are included in Appendix A.

### ***Site Investigation Report, 21 April 1993, Prepared by Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc., Prepared for Merit Oil of New York, Inc.***

A Site Investigation was conducted by Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc. (GES) after a 4,000-gallon gasoline tank failed a pressure integrity test and was assigned Spill Case #92-09626. A total of five soil borings were advanced to 25 feet below ground surface (ft bgs) with a total of five soil samples collected. Borings were advanced on 23 March 1993, each located within 15 feet of the tank field. Samples were collected generally from around 11 to 16 ft bgs. Soil samples were analyzed for total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) with TPH concentrations ranging from 53.6 to 114 parts per million (ppm). Based on the results of the investigation, GES recommended no further action.

### ***Site Investigation Report Underground Storage Tank Closure, 27 June 1994, prepared by, Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc., Prepared for Merit Oil of New York, Inc.***

GES oversaw and documented the removal of eighteen tanks including: 1) four 4,000-gallon and two 2,000-gallon gasoline underground storage tanks (USTs); 2) one 550-gallon and one 2,000-gallon wastewater USTs; and 3) eleven 550-gallon gasoline USTs (one of which was abandoned in-place with

concrete slurry). All tanks were found in a previously unknown tank field, and five dispenser islands were found at the Ralph Gasoline Station. Spill Case # 93-03355 was assigned following a tank tightness test failure determined during tank removal in June 1993. The excavated tanks were replaced with five 4,000-gallon, double-walled, fiberglass gasoline USTs and one 550-gallon, double-walled, fiberglass wastewater UST.

On 15 June 1993, three soil samples were collected beneath the former dispenser islands. TPH concentrations ranged from 143 to 164 ppm. Toluene and xylenes were detected at low concentrations. Additionally, the four 4,000-gallon and two 2,000-gallon gasoline USTs were removed. Some corrosion was visible on the tanks, product was visible in the excavation, and petroleum odors and elevated photoionization detector (PID) readings were recorded in the excavation. The maximum TPH concentration was 428 ppm.

On 22 June 1993, the 550-gallon and 2,000-gallon wastewater USTs were removed, and post-excavation soil samples were collected. TPH concentrations ranged from 4,960 ppm to 24,200 ppm. This area contained the highest TPH concentrations.

On 28 June 1993, ten 550-gallon gasoline USTs were removed as part of an unknown tank grave, and post-excavation soil samples were collected. An eleventh 550-gallon gasoline UST was abandoned in-place with concrete slurry due to its close proximity to a structural footing. Petroleum odors, separate-phase product, and elevated PID readings were documented during the excavation. Analytical results indicated that TPH concentrations ranged from 44.8 to 882 ppm.

A total of 980 tons of petroleum-impacted soil was excavated and properly disposed of at Posillico Brothers Asphalt Company of Farmingdale, New York. Soils with PID readings less than 100 ppm were left on Site, and soil with readings above 100 ppm were properly removed. Post-excavation samples were collected in each tank removal area and analyzed for TPH, and benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes (BTEX). The greatest concentration of TPH was located in the former wastewater UST excavation area with a maximum concentration of 24,200 ppm.

GES concluded that no further action was necessary at the time since petroleum-impacted soils were removed from the Site and replaced with clean fill. The NYSDEC also closed Spill Case #92-09626 based on review of this Site Investigation Report.

***Site Assessment Report, 2 November 1994, prepared by Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc., Prepared for Merit Oil of New York, Inc.***

The purpose of this site assessment was to determine if subsurface soils and groundwater had been impacted from the use of the USTs previously removed in June 1993. Monitoring wells were intended to be installed; however, groundwater was not encountered during drilling of the first boring which was advanced to 55 ft bgs. Therefore, no groundwater monitoring wells were installed.

On 14 October 1993 and 21 to 22 March 1994, a total of nineteen subsurface soil samples were collected from nine soil borings advanced at locations around the area of the former UST fields. Analytical results indicated total BTEX concentrations ranging from non-detect to 142,300 parts per billion (ppb), with benzene non-detect in all samples. The greatest concentrations of petroleum-related

compounds were found in soil boring SB1 in the northwestern portion of the Site and exceed the toxicity characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP) Alternative Guidance Values.

GES concluded that since the groundwater table is greater than 53 ft bgs, the Site was not considered a threat to potable groundwater and no further action was recommended.

***Remedial Investigation Report, 3 June 1998, prepared by Groundwater & Environmental Services, Inc., Prepared for Merit Oil of New York, Inc.***

A Remedial Investigation was performed by GES in March 1995 including the installation of four soil borings and four soil vapor extraction points in order to delineate subsurface soils and perform a SVE pilot test. Soil borings were advanced to a maximum depth of 42 ft. Groundwater was expected to be encountered around 65 ft bgs. A total of five soil samples were collected, and total BTEX concentrations ranged from non-detect to 532 ug/kg. Additionally, of the four vapor extraction points, one soil vapor extraction test was performed achieving a maximum radius of influence of approximately 40 ft, and a total of 0.014 pounds of benzene was removed during the test. The results of the SVE test indicated that petroleum hydrocarbon-impacted soils were present up to depths of 22 ft bgs.

GES recommended installation of two monitoring wells to determine if groundwater had been impacted by contamination: one in the impacted soil area of the former tank field and one in the downgradient (southern) portion of the Site.

Based on available information and Site observations, no groundwater monitoring wells have been installed on the Site, thus, no groundwater monitoring has been conducted at the Site.

***Spill Closure Report, December 2002, prepared by EnviroTrac, Ltd.***

Based on previous Site investigations, it was concluded that limited volatile organic compound (VOC) contamination exists at the Site. A clean soil horizon has been established from 22 to 55 ft bgs. In August 2002, after reviewing available Site data, NYSDEC determined that the Site was a candidate for spill closure. The Amerada Hess Corp. requested closure of Spill Case #93-03355 (assigned in 2000) and #00-00590 and #01-05801 (assigned in 2001), with the cause of spill noted as "unknown." Subsequently, EnviroTrac conducted a site visit to determine potential areas of concern, any sensitive receptors in the area, and reviewed appropriate environmental databases. Documentation of the Spill Closure was not included in this report; however, the three spill cases listed above are registered as closed in the NYSDEC Spill Incident Database, with closure dates ranging from 2003 through 2005.

It is noted that according to NYSDEC spill reports, spill cases 0000590, 0105801, 0611614, 0612533, 0907189 and 9303355 are closed however spill report details note that standards were not met.

***Limited Phase II Environmental Site Investigation, Speedway #7833, November 2021, prepared by Haley & Aldrich of New York***

Haley & Aldrich completed a Limited Phase II Environmental Site Investigation (ESI) at the Site in October 2021. Urban fill, generally consisting of tan to dark brown medium-grained sand with varying amounts of gravel, asphalt and brick throughout, was observed from the surface grade to the boring terminus (1 to 6 ft bgs) in each soil boring. Petroleum-like odors and elevated PID readings were encountered in soils

from the 0 to 2 ft bgs interval at SB-1 (250 ppm) and the 3 to 4 ft bgs interval at SB-3 (300 ppm). Groundwater was not encountered during the investigation. Eight soil samples were procured from shallow depth interval ranging from 1 to 6 ft bgs. Two temporary soil vapor points, SV-1 and SV-2, were installed approximately 1 ft bgs, located adjacent to SB-1 and in close proximity to the on-Site tanks.

No VOCs were detected in soil samples at concentrations exceeding the applicable soil cleanup objectives. Three SVOCs, specifically polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), were identified at concentrations above the UUSCOs and Restricted Residential Soil Cleanup Objectives (RRSCOs) in soil samples from the surface down to 6 ft bgs (the maximum depth reached during this investigation). Two metals, lead and mercury, were detected above UUSCOs and RRSCOs. Zinc was detected at concentrations above the RRSCOs in four soil samples collected and copper was detected at concentrations above the RRSCOs in three soil samples.

Total VOC concentrations in soil vapor samples ranged from 141.46 micrograms per cubic meter ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ ) in sample SV-1 to 20,711.6  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  in sample SV-2. Total benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes (BTEX) concentrations ranged from 23.4  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  in SV-1 to 767.8  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  in SV-2. The high total VOC soil vapor concentrations are indicative of source material contamination that was not identified at the limited sample locations that have been analyzed to date.

No standard currently exists for soil vapor samples in New York State. Soil vapor analytical results were compared to the NYSDOH Air Guideline Values (AGV) specified in the NYSDOH guidance document. No VOCs were detected at concentrations exceeding the NYSDOH AGVs. The NYSDOH recommends the following in response to the soil vapor concentrations detected in soil vapor sample SV-2: "mitigation" to address the elevated concentrations of carbon tetrachloride and TCE; "monitor" or "mitigate" to address the concentration of vinyl chloride; and, "no further action" to "identify source(s), resample or mitigate" to address to elevated concentrations of cis-1,2-DCA, methylene chloride and PCE.

It was noted that elevated method detection limits were reported for soil vapor sample SV-2. This is likely due to the fact that SV-2 was diluted in the laboratory by a factor of 60 to accommodate for the elevated concentration of a non-target compound that was detected in this soil vapor sample (i.e., a compound outside of the TO-15 compound list). Based on the analytical data provided, it can be stated that concentrations of TO-15 compounds do not exist at or above the method detection limits reported; however, concentrations may be present below this reported value.

### 3. Remedial Investigation

This section describes the field activities to be conducted during the RI and provides the sampling scope, objectives, methods, anticipated number of samples, and sample locations. A summary of the sampling and analysis plan is provided in Table 1 and Figure 2. The following activities will be conducted to fill data gaps and determine the nature and extent of contamination at the Site.

#### 3.1 UTILITY MARKOUT

A full Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) scan has been performed prior to commencement of any intrusive activities. The GPR scan was completed by GPRS, Inc.(GPRS) on 10 October 2021. A series of electrical utility lines were identified throughout the Site, servicing the on-Site buildings and the petroleum pump islands with electricity. Watermain service lines were also identified, providing the on-Site structures with water. The findings report, provided by GPRS, dated 13 October 2021, is provided as Appendix C.

#### 3.2 SOIL SAMPLING

To further characterize surface soil conditions, additional on-Site soil samples will be collected to meet NYSDEC DER-10 requirements for remedial investigations.

The sampling and analysis plan is summarized in Table 1. A total of eight soil borings will be installed to a depth of 35 ft bgs by a track-mounted direct-push drill rig (Geoprobe®) or sonic drill rig (as necessary) operated by a licensed operator. Soil samples will be collected from acetate liners using a stainless-steel trowel or sampling spoon. Samples will be collected using laboratory provided clean bottle ware. VOC grab samples will be collected using terra cores or encores.

Soils will be logged continuously by a geologist or engineer using the Unified Soil Classification System. The presence of staining, odors, and photoionization detector (PID) response will be noted. Samples will be collected using laboratory-provided clean bottle ware. VOC grab samples will be collected using terra cores. Sampling methods are described in the Field Sampling Plan (FSP) provided as Appendix B. A Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) is provided as Appendix D. Laboratory data will be reported in ASP Category B deliverable format.

Soil samples representative of Site conditions will be collected at eight locations widely distributed across the Site, as shown in Figure 2. Samples will be collected from the surface at 0 to 0.5 ft bgs, 15 to 20 ft bgs and 30 to 35 ft bgs. An additional sample will be collected from the base of observed urban fill or observed petroleum impacts, assumed to be encountered at 6 to 8 ft bgs but subject to change based on field investigation observations. Additional samples will be collected from any interval exhibiting impacts in the form of elevated PID readings or visual and olfactory impacts. Soil samples will be analyzed for:

- Target Compound List (TCL) VOCs using EPA method 8260B
- TCL SVOCs using EPA method 8270C

- Total Analyte List (TAL) Metals using EPA method 6010
- PCBs using EPA method 8082
- Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) by EPA Method 537.1
- 1,4-dioxane by EPA Method 8270 SIM

Samples to be analyzed for PFAS and 1,4-dioxane will be collected and analyzed in accordance with the Sampling for “1,4-dioxane and Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Under DEC’s Part 375 Remedial Programs,” respectively.

### 3.3 GROUNDWATER SAMPLING

The purpose of the groundwater sampling is to obtain current groundwater data and analyze for additional parameters (i.e., per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances [PFAS] and 1,4-dioxane) to meet NYSDEC DER-10 requirements for remedial investigations.

Groundwater is anticipated at approximately 65 ft bgs. Five two-inch permanent monitoring wells will be installed to at least 7 to 8 feet below the groundwater interface. Monitoring wells will have a 2-inch annular space and be installed using either #0 or #00 certified clean sand fill. Wells will be screened 10 ft from the terminal base of the well (approximately 63 to 73 ft bgs). . Monitoring wells will be developed at minimum one week after installation by surging a pump in the well several times to pull fine-grained material from the well. Development will be completed until the water turbidity is 50 nephelometric turbidity units (NTU) or less or ten well volumes are removed, if possible. Well development will occur at least one week after monitoring well installation. The well casings will be surveyed by a New York State licensed surveyor and a synoptic gauging round will be conducted to facilitate the preparation of a groundwater contour map and to determine the direction of groundwater flow.

The sampling and analysis plan is summarized in Table 1. Proposed well locations are provided in Figure 2.

Monitoring wells will be sampled and analyzed for:

- TCL VOCs using EPA method 8260B;
- TCL SVOCs using EPA method 8270C;
- Total Metals using EPA methods 6010/7471;
- PFAS using EPA method 537; and
- 1,4-Dioxane using EPA method 8260B.

Samples to be analyzed for PFAS and 1,4-dioxane will be collected and analyzed in accordance with the NYSDEC issued January 2020 “Guidelines for sampling and Analysis of PFAS” and the June 2019 Sampling for “1,4-dioxane and Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Under DEC’s Part 375 Remedial Programs,” respectively.

Groundwater wells will be sampled using low-flow sampling methods described in the Field Sampling Plan (FSP). Following the low-flow purge, samples will be collected from monitoring wells for analysis of

the analytes mentioned above. Groundwater sampling will be conducted at least one week after monitoring well development.

The FSP presented in Appendix B details field procedures and protocols that will be followed during field activities. The QAPP presented in Appendix D details the analytical methods and procedures that will be used to analyze samples collected during field activities. Select wells to be sampled for PFAS will be done following the purge and sampling method detailed in the NYSDEC guidance documents (see Appendix E).

### **3.4 INVESTIGATION DERIVED WASTE**

Following sample collection, boreholes that are not converted to monitoring wells will be backfilled with soil cutting and an upper bentonite plug. Boreholes will be restored to grade with the surrounding area. If soil is identified as grossly contaminated, it will be separated and placed into a sealed and labeled Department of Transportation (DOT) approved 55-gallon drum pending characterization and offsite disposal. Groundwater purged from the monitoring wells during development and sample collected will be placed into a DOT approved 55-gallon drum pending offsite disposal.

### **3.5 SUB-SLAB/SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING**

Samples will be collected in accordance with the Final Guidance for Evaluating Soil Vapor Intrusion in the State of New York (NYSDOH October 2006). Six soil vapor probes will be installed to the anticipated development depth, approximately 12 to 14 ft bgs. The vapor implants will be installed with a direct-push drilling rig (e.g., Geoprobe®) to advance a stainless-steel probe to the desired sample depth. Sampling will occur for the duration of two hours.

Samples will be collected in appropriately sized Summa canisters that have been certified clean by the laboratory, and samples will be analyzed by using USEPA Method TO-15. Flow rate for both purging and sampling will not exceed 0.2 L/min. Sampling methods are described in the Field Sampling Plan (FSP) provided as Appendix B.

### **3.6 PROPOSED SAMPLING RATIONALE**

Haley & Aldrich has proposed the sample plan described herein and as shown in Figure 2, in consideration of the data generated during the previous investigations conducted at the Site.

A RI was performed in June 1998 to further investigate and delineate the petroleum-related contamination previously identified in Site soils and assess soil vapor at the Site. This RI revealed elevated BTEX and VOC concentrations in Site soils and elevated PID detections of hydrocarbons in soil vapor. The sampling map from this RI (included in Appendix A) shows data gaps throughout the Site, including lack of groundwater sampling and lack of analytical data for potentially high risk areas that may have been impacted during historical Site operations. In order to properly characterize the Site and identify potential source areas, all phases of media will be investigated, and data gaps will be evaluated.

In addition, the Limited Phase II ESI conducted in November 2021 detected high total VOC soil vapor concentrations indicating source material contamination which was not identified at the limited sample

locations analyzed to date. Additional investigation is required to ascertain and delineate on Site source(s) of the high total VOCs.

The Proposed Sample Location Map (included as Figure 2) is designed to generate sufficient data to identify the source of contamination and classify subsurface conditions throughout the Site as a whole with targeted attention towards sample locations in areas of the Site that have historically revealed evidence of contamination.

#### **4. Quality Assurance and Quality Control**

Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) procedures will be used to provide performance information with regard to the accuracy, precision, sensitivity, representation, completeness, and comparability associated with the sampling and analysis for this investigation. Field QA/QC procedures will be used to: (1), document that samples are representative of actual conditions at the site; and (2), identify possible cross-contamination from field activities or sample transit. Laboratory QA/QC procedures and analyses will be used to demonstrate whether analytical results have been biased either by interfering compounds in the sample matrix or by laboratory techniques that may have introduced systematic or random errors to the analytical process.

QA/QC procedures are defined in the QAPP included in Appendix D.

## 5. Data Use

### 5.1 DATA SUBMITTAL

Analytical data will be supplied in ASP Category B Data Packages if more stringent than those suggested by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the laboratory's in-house QA/QC limits will be utilized. Validated data will be submitted to the NYSDEC EQuIS database in an EDD package.

### 5.2 DATA VALIDATION

Data packages will be sent to a qualified data validation specialist to evaluate the accuracy and precision of the analytical results. A Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR) will be created to confirm the compliance of methods with the protocols described in the NYSDEC Analytical service Protocol (ASP). DUSRs will summarize and confirm the usability of the data for project-related decisions. Data validation will be completed in accordance with the DUSR guidelines from the NYSDEC Division of Environmental Remediation. DUSRs will be included with the submittal of a Remedial Investigation Report (RIR), further discussed in Section 8.

## 6. Project Organization

A project team for the site has been created based on qualifications and experience with personnel suited for successfully completing the project.

The NYSDEC designated Case Manager (to be determined) will be responsible for overseeing the successful completion of the project work and adherence to the work plan on behalf of NYSDEC.

The NYSDOH designated Case Manager (to be determined) will be responsible for overseeing the successful completion of the project work and adherence to the work plan on behalf of NYSDOH.

James Bellew will be the Principal in Charge for this work. In this role, Mr. Bellew will be responsible for the overall completion of each task as per the requirements outlined in this work plan and accordance with the DER-10 guidance.

Mari Conlon will be the Qualified Environmental Professional and Project Manager for this work. In this role, Ms. Conlon will manage the day-to-day tasks, including coordination and supervision of field engineers and scientists, adherence to the work plan, and oversight of the project schedule. As the Project Manager, Ms. Conlon will also be responsible for communications with the NYSDEC Case Manager regarding project status, schedule, issues, and updates for project work.

Sarah Commisso will be the field geologist responsible for implementing the field effort for this work. Mrs. Commisso's responsibilities will include implementing the work plan activities and directing the subcontractors to ensure successful completion of all field activities.

The drilling subcontractor will be Coastal Environmental Solutions. Coastal Environmental Solutions will provide a Geoprobe® operator to implement the scope of work in this RIWP.

The analytical laboratory will be Alpha Analytical of Westborough, MA, a New York Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP) certified laboratory. Alpha Analytical will be responsible for analyzing samples as per the analyses and methods identified in Section 2.

## 7. Health and Safety

### 7.1 HEALTH AND SAFETY PLAN

A Site-specific Health and Safety Plan (HASP) has been prepared in accordance with NYSDEC and NYSDOH guidelines and is provided as Appendix F of this work plan. The HASP includes a description of health and safety protocols to be followed by Haley & Aldrich field staff during implementation of the remedy, including monitoring within the work area, along with response actions should impacts be observed. The HASP has been developed in accordance with Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) 40 CFR Part 1910.120 regulatory requirements for use by Haley & Aldrich field staff that will work at the site during planned activities. Contractors or other personnel who perform work at the Site are required to develop their own health and safety plan and procedures of comparable or higher content for their respective personnel in accordance with relevant OSHA regulatory requirements for work at hazardous waste sites as well as the general industry as applicable based on the nature of work being performed.

### 7.2 COMMUNITY AIR MONITORING PLAN

The proposed investigation work will be completed primarily outdoors, with few locations indoors, at the Site. Where intrusive drilling operations are planned, community air monitoring will be implemented to protect downwind receptors. A Haley & Aldrich representative will continually monitor the breathing air in the vicinity of the immediate work area using a PID to measure total volatile organic compounds in the air at concentrations as low as 1 part per million (ppm). The air in the work zone also will be monitored for visible dust generation.

If VOC measurements above 5 ppm are sustained for 15 minutes or visible dust generation is observed, the intrusive work will be temporarily halted, and a more rigorous monitoring of VOCs and dust using recordable meters will be implemented in accordance with the NYSDOH Generic Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP). CAMP data will be provided to NYSDEC in the daily reports, further detailed in Section 8.

## 8. Reporting

Daily reports will be submitted to NYSDEC and NYSDOH summarizing the Site activities completed during the remedial investigation. Daily reports will include a Site figure, a description of Site activities, a photo log, and CAMP data. Daily reports will be submitted the following morning after Site work is completed.

Following the completion of the work, a summary of the RI will be provided to NYSDEC in a Remedial Investigation Report (RIR) to support the implementation of proposed remedial action. The report will include:

- Summary of the RI activities;
- Figure showing sampling locations;
- Tables summarizing laboratory analytical results;
- Laboratory analytical data reports;
- Field sampling data sheets;
- Findings regarding the nature and extent of contamination at the site; and
- Conclusions and recommendations.

The RIR may be combined with the Remedial Action Work Plan (RAWP) as an RIR/RAWP. The RIR/RAWP will include all data collected during the RI and adhere to the technical requirements of DER-10.

## 9. Schedule

The Site owner plans to implement this RIWP after approval of the RIWP.

<b>Anticipated RI Schedule</b>	
BCP Application, RIWP and IRM WP and 30-Day Public Comment Period (concurrent with BCP application)	December 2021-February 2022
Executed Brownfield Cleanup Agreement	February 2022
NYSDEC Approval of RIWP & IRM WP	February 2022
RI & IRM Implementation	March 2022-May 2022
RIR/RAWP Submittal and 45-Day Public Comment Period	June 2022-August 2022
NYSDEC Approval of RIR/RAWP	September 2022

Note: The IRM will facilitate completion of work outlined in the RIWP

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**TABLES**

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 1885 Atlantic Avenue Redevelopment  
 Speedway #7833  
 Brooklyn, New York

Boring Number	Soil Sample Depth	Target Compound List VOCs (8260B)	Target Compound List SVOCs (8270C)	Total Analyte List Metals (6010)	PCBs (8082)	PFAS (537)	1,4-Dioxane (8270 SIM)	VOCs (TO-15)
<b>SOIL</b>								
SB-1	0-0.5'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	6-8'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	15-20'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	30-35'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SB-2	0-0.5'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	6-8'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	15-20'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	30-35'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SB-3	0-0.5'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	6-8'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	15-20'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	30-35'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SB-4	0-0.5'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	6-8'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	15-20'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	30-35'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SB-5	0-0.5'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	6-8'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	15-20'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	30-35'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SB-6	0-0.5'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	6-8'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	15-20'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	30-35'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SB-7	0-0.5'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	6-8'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	15-20'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	30-35'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
SB-8	0-0.5'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	6-8'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	15-20'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
	30-35'	X	X	X	X	X	X	
<b>GROUNDWATER</b>								
MW-1	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	
MW-2	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	
MW-3	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	
MW-4	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	
MW-5	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	
<b>SOIL VAPOR</b>								
SG-1	-							X
SG-2	-							X
SG-3	-							X
SG-4	-							X
SG-5	-							X
SG-6	-							X

Notes:

QAQC samples include:

Intermediate samples to be collected at base of urban fill or visible petroleum impacts, assumed to be at 6 to 8 ft bgs but subject to change based on field observations

VOCs - Volatile Organic Compounds

MS/MSD - 1 for every 20 samples

SVOCs - Semi-volatile Organic Compounds

Field Duplicate - 1 for every 20 samples

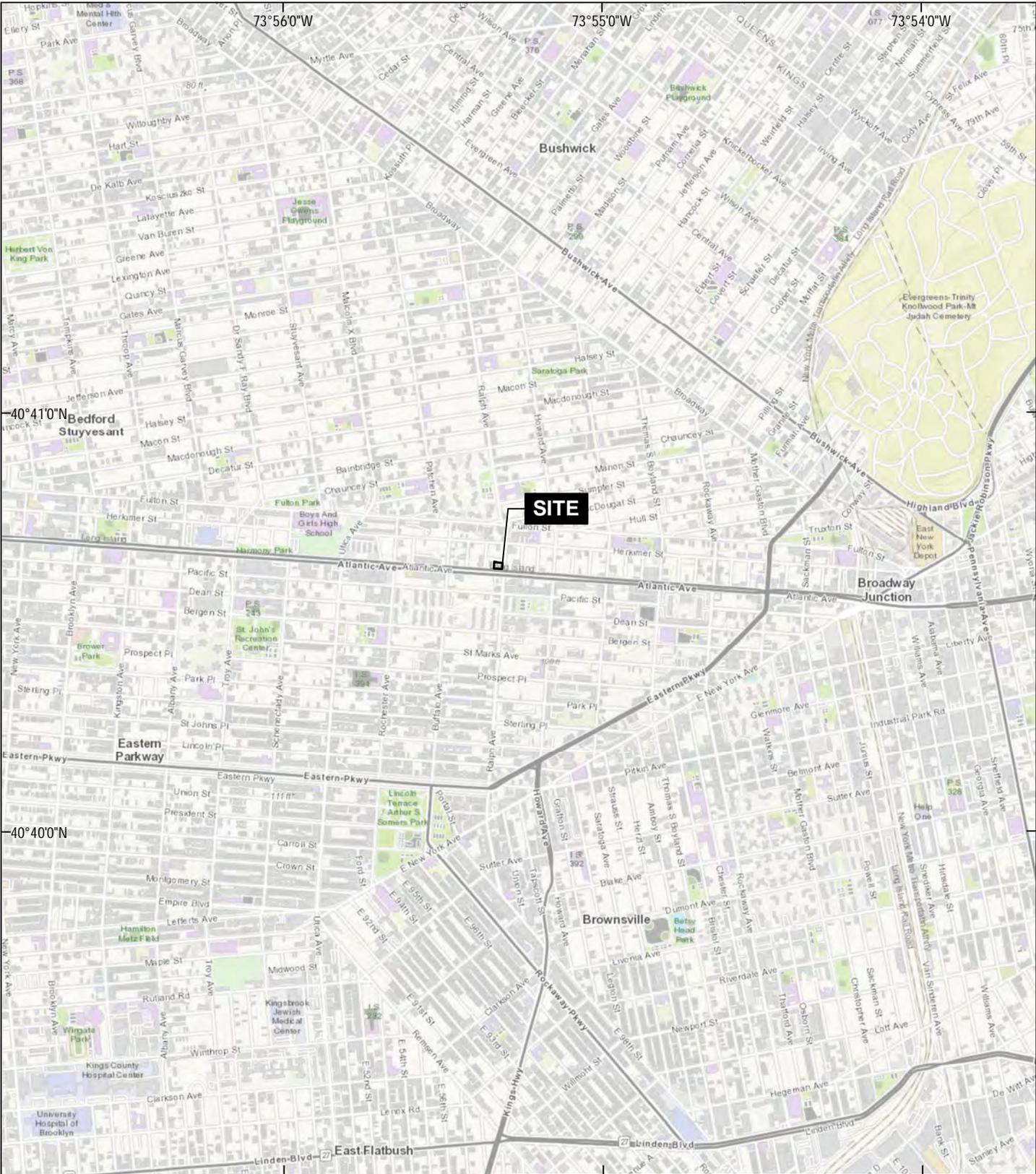
PCBs - Polychlorinated biphenyls

Trip Blanks - 1 per cooler of samples to be analyzed for VOCs

PFAS - Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances

Field Blanks - 1 for every 20 samples

## FIGURES



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MAP SOURCE: ESRI  
 SITE COORDINATES: 40°40'38"N, 73°55'19"W

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 1885 ATLANTIC AVENUE  
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**PROJECT LOCUS**

APPROXIMATE SCALE: 1 IN = 2000 FT  
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**FIGURE 1**

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**LEGEND**

- COMMUTER RAIL LINE BLOCK 1714
- SITE BOUNDARY
- APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS
- PROPOSED SOIL BORING / GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELL LOCATION
- PROPOSED SOIL BORING LOCATION
- PROPOSED SOIL VAPOR LOCATION

**NOTES**

1. ALL LOCATIONS AND DIMENSIONS ARE APPROXIMATE.
2. ASSESSOR PARCEL DATA SOURCE: KINGS COUNTY
3. AERIAL IMAGERY SOURCE: NEARMAP, 12 AUGUST 2021



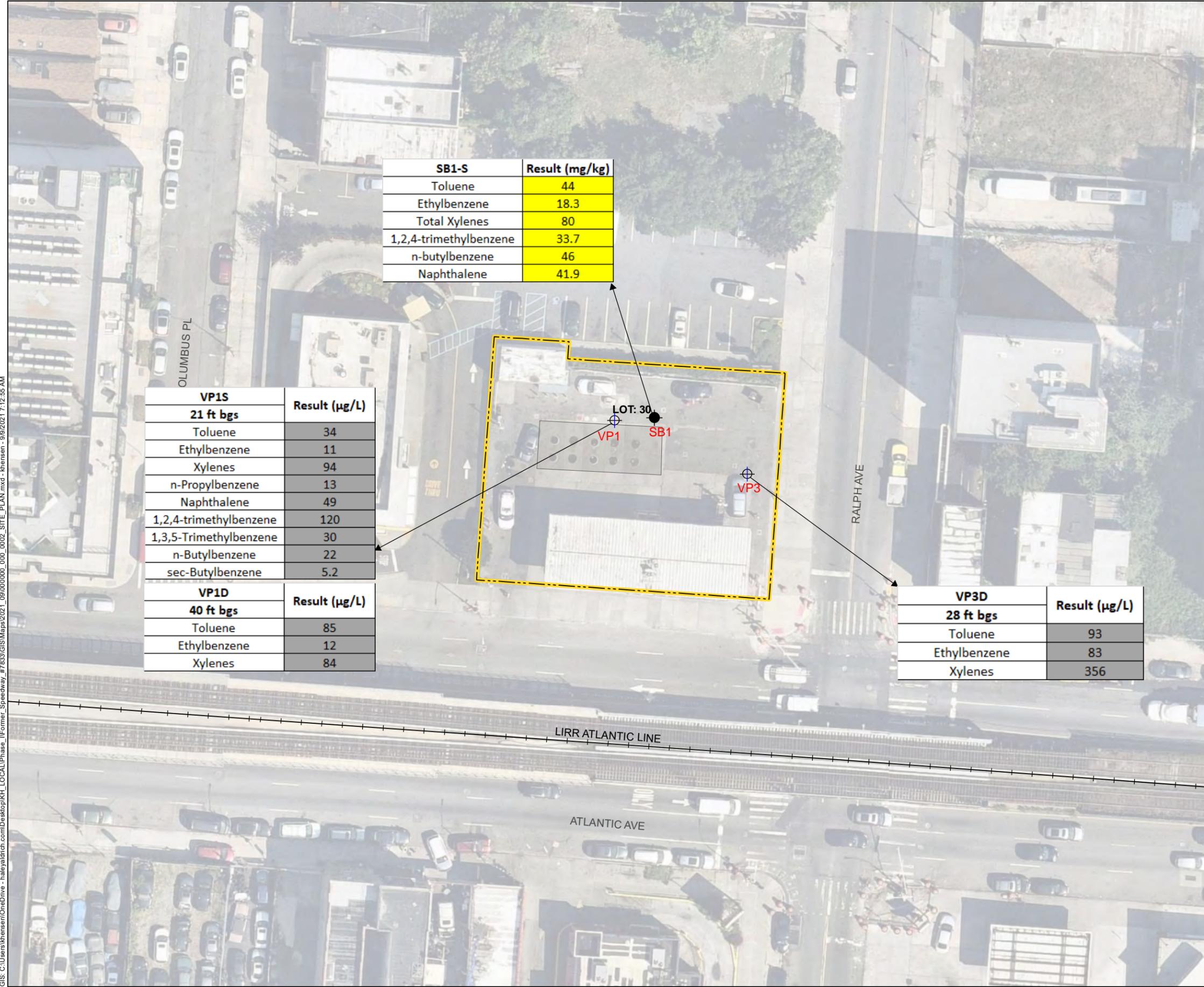
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FORMER SPEEDWAY #7833  
1885 ATLANTIC AVENUE  
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**PROPOSED SAMPLE LOCATION MAP**

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FIGURE 2

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SB1-S	Result (mg/kg)
Toluene	44
Ethylbenzene	18.3
Total Xylenes	80
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	33.7
n-butylbenzene	46
Naphthalene	41.9

VP1S	Result (µg/L)
21 ft bgs	
Toluene	34
Ethylbenzene	11
Xylenes	94
n-Propylbenzene	13
Naphthalene	49
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	120
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	30
n-Butylbenzene	22
sec-Butylbenzene	5.2

VP1D	Result (µg/L)
40 ft bgs	
Toluene	85
Ethylbenzene	12
Xylenes	84

VP3D	Result (µg/L)
28 ft bgs	
Toluene	93
Ethylbenzene	83
Xylenes	356

**LEGEND**

- COMMUTER RAIL LINE BLOCK 1714
- SITE BOUNDARY
- APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS
- SOIL BORING LOCATION
- SOIL VAPOR POINT

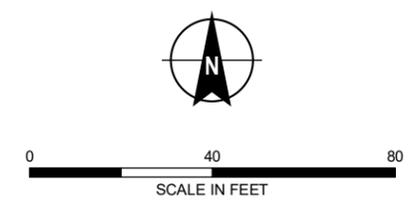
NYCRR Part 375 Unrestricted and Restricted Residential SCOs			
Analyte	NY-ResRestricted	NY-Unrestricted	Unit
Toluene	100	0.7	mg/kg
Ethylbenzene	41	1	mg/kg
Total Xylenes	100	0.26	mg/kg
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	52	3.6	mg/kg
n-butylbenzene	100	12	mg/kg
MTBE	100	0.93	mg/kg
Naphthalene	100	12	mg/kg

Yellow shaded results exceed Unrestricted SCOs  
 Red shaded results exceed both Unrestricted and Restricted Residential SCOs

TCLP Extraction Guidance Value		
Analyte	Value	Unit
Benzene	0.7	µg/L
Toluene	5	µg/L
Ethylbenzene	5	µg/L
Xylenes	5	µg/L
MTBE	50	µg/L
Isopropyl benzene	5	µg/L
n-Propylbenzene	5	µg/L
p-Isopropylbenzene	5	µg/L
Naphthalene	10	µg/L
1,2,4-trimethylbenzene	5	µg/L
1,3,5-Trimethylbenzene	5	µg/L
n-Butylbenzene	5	µg/L
sec-Butylbenzene	5	µg/L

Gray shaded results exceed TCLP Extraction Guidance Value

- NOTES
- ALL LOCATIONS AND DIMENSIONS ARE APPROXIMATE
  - ASSESSOR PARCEL DATA SOURCE: KINGS COUNTY
  - AERIAL IMAGERY SOURCE: NEARMAP, 12 AUGUST 2021
  - DATA COLLECTED JUNE 1998.



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**SUMMARY OF HISTORICAL SOIL & SOIL VAPOR ANALYTICAL DATA**

NOVEMBER 2021

FIGURE 3

**APPENDIX A**

**Previous Reports**

**(included on USB)**

## **APPENDIX B**

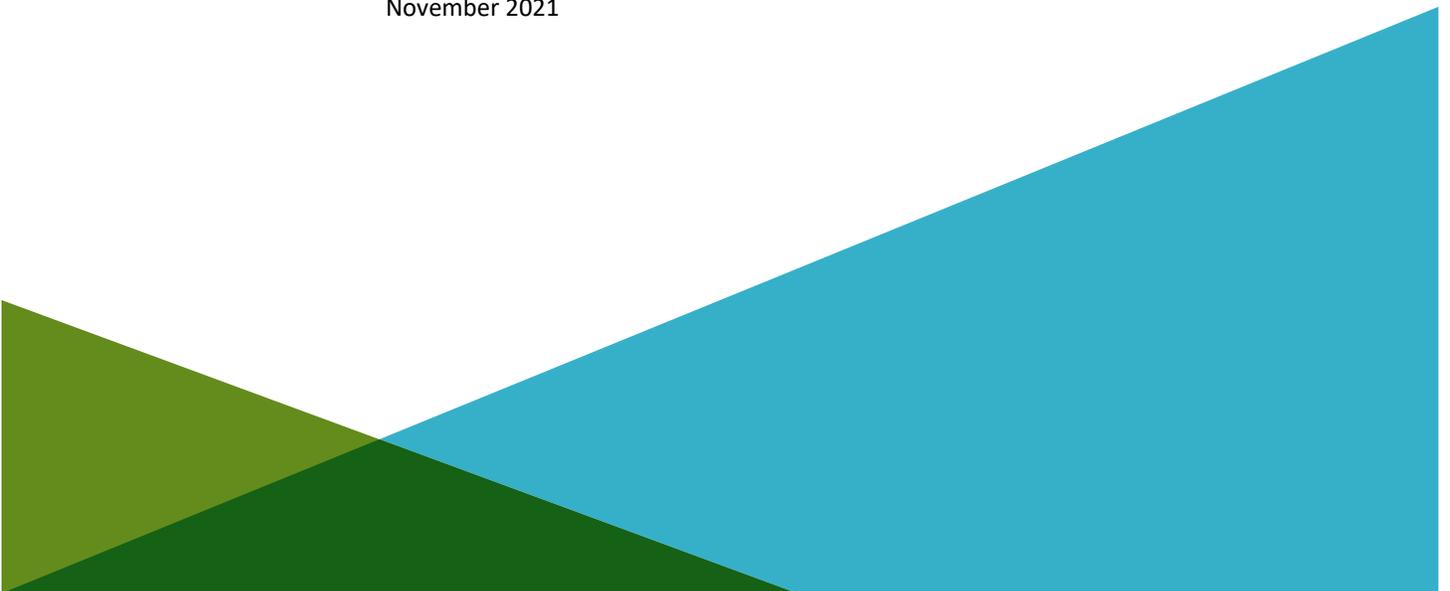
### **Field Sampling Plan**

FIELD SAMPLING PLAN  
1885 ATLANTIC AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT  
SPEEDWAY #7833  
BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

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for  
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## APPENDIX A – Field Forms

## 1. Introduction

This Field Sampling Plan (FSP) has been prepared as a component of the Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP) for the subject Site located at 1885 Atlantic Avenue in Brooklyn, New York. This document was prepared to establish field procedures for field data collection to be performed in support of the RIWP for the Site.

The RIWP includes this Field Sampling Plan, a Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP), Health and Safety Plan (HASP), and Community Air Monitoring Plan (CAMP), which are included as part of this plan by reference.

The standard operating procedures (SOP) included as components of this plan will provide the procedures necessary to meet the project objectives. The SOPs will be used as reference for the methods to be employed for field sample collection and handling and the management of field data collected in the execution of the approved RIWP. The SOPs include numerous methods to execute the tasks of the RIWP. The Project Manager will select the appropriate method as required by field conditions and/or the objective the respective project task at the time of sample collection. Field procedures will be conducted in general accordance with the New York State Department of Conservation (NYSDEC) Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation (DER-10) and the Sampling, Analysis and Assessment of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) under NYSDEC Part 375 Remedial Program when applicable.

## 2. Field Program

This FSP provides the general purpose of sampling as well as procedural information. The RIWP contains the details on sampling and analysis (locations, depths, frequency, analyte lists, etc.).

The field program has been designed to acquire the necessary data to comply with the RIWP, and includes the following tasks:

- Soil sampling;
- Groundwater sampling;
- Soil vapor sampling;
- Sampling of investigation of derived wastes (IDW) as needed for disposal.

Based on the current and former use of the Site, and previous investigations conducted, volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are the anticipated contaminants of concern. A Remedial Investigation (RI) was performed in June 1998 to further investigate and delineate the petroleum-related contamination previously identified in Site soils and assess soil vapor at the Site. This RI revealed elevated VOC concentrations in Site soils and elevated photoionization detector (PID) detections of hydrocarbons in soil vapor. A summary of the historical soil and soil vapor analytical data collected at the Site is displayed in Figure 3.

Due to the fact that: groundwater sampling has not been included in any investigation conducted at the Site; and, previous investigations did not comprehensively delineate the extent of soil contamination on the Site, additional targeted soil, groundwater, and soil vapor sampling are proposed. Additionally, since The RI will be performed upon acceptance of the site into the BCP and approval of this RIWP. Results of the additional sample analyses will be used to confirm the results of the previous site characterization activities, potentially identify an on-site source, and determine a course for remedial action.

These SOPs presented herein may be changed as required, dependent on-site conditions, or equipment limitations, at the time of sample collection. If the procedures employed differ from the SOP, the deviations will be documented in the associated sampling report.

### 3. Utility Clearance

Invasive remedial activities such as excavation or remedial construction activities require location of underground utilities prior to initiating work. Such clearance is sound practice in that it minimizes the potential for damage to underground facilities and more importantly, is protective of the health and safety of personnel. Under no circumstances will invasive activities be allowed to proceed without obtaining proper utility clearance by the appropriate public agencies and/or private entities. This clearance requirement applies to all work on both public and private property, whether located in a dense urban area or a seemingly out-of-the-way rural location.

The drilling contractor performing the work will be responsible for obtaining utility clearance.

Utility clearance is required by law, and obtaining clearance includes contacting a public or private central clearance agency via a “one-call” telephone service and providing the proposed exploration location information. It is important to note that public utility agencies may not, and usually do not have information regarding utility locations on private property.

Before beginning subsurface work at any proposed exploration locations, it is critical that all readily-available information on underground utilities and structures be obtained. This includes publicly available information as well as information in the possession of private landowners. Any drawings obtained must be reviewed in detail for information pertaining to underground utilities.

Using the information obtained, the site should be viewed in detail for physical evidence of buried lines or structures, including pavement cuts and patches, variation in or lack of vegetation, variations in grading, etc. Care must also be taken to avoid overhead utilities as well. Presence of surface elements of buried utilities should be documented, such as manholes, gas or water service valves, catch basins, monuments or other evidence.

Overhead utility lines must be considered when choosing exploration and excavation locations. Most states require a minimum of 10 ft of clearance between equipment and energized wires. Such separation requirements may also be voltage-based and may vary depending on state or municipality regulations. In evaluating clearance from overhead lines, the same restrictions may apply to “drops”, or wires on a utility pole connecting overhead and underground lines.

Using the information obtained and observations made, proposed exploration or construction locations should be marked in the field. Marking locations can be accomplished using spray paint on the ground, stakes, or other means. All markings of proposed locations should be made in white, in accordance with the generally-accepted universal color code for facilities identification (AWMA 4/99):

- White: Proposed Excavation or Drilling location
- Pink: Temporary Survey Markings
- Red: Electrical Power Lines, Cables, Conduit and Lighting Cables
- Yellow: Gas, Oil, Steam, Petroleum or Gaseous Materials
- Orange: Communication, Alarm or Signal Lines, Cables or Conduits
- Blue: Potable Water
- Purple: Reclaimed Water, Irrigation and Slurry Lines
- Green: Sewers and Drain Lines

In order to effectively evaluate the proposed locations with these entities, detailed, accurate measurements between the proposed locations and existing surface features should be obtained. Such features can be buildings, street intersections, utility poles, guardrails, etc.

Obtaining the utility clearance generally involves the designated “One-Call” underground facilities protection organization for the area and the landowner and one or both following entities:

- A third-party utility locator company will be utilized to locate underground utilities outside of the public right-of-way; and/or
- “Soft dig” excavation techniques to confirm or deny the presence of underground utilities in the area.

The proposed locations should be evaluated in light of information available for existing underground facilities. The detailed measurement information described above will be required by the “one call” agency. The owners of the applicable, participating underground utilities are obligated to mark their respective facilities at the site in the colors described above. Utility stake-out activities will typically not commence for approximately 72 hours after the initial request is made.

The public and private utility entities generally only mark the locations of their respective underground facilities within public rights-of-way. Determination of the locations of these facilities on private property will be the responsibility of the property owner or Contractor. If available information does not contain sufficient detail to locate underground facilities with a reasonable amount of confidence, alternate measures may be appropriate, as described below. In some cases, the memory of a long-time employee of a facility on private property may be the best or only source of information. It is incumbent on the Consultant or Contractor to exercise caution and use good judgement when faced with uncertainty.

*Note: It is important to note that not all utilities are participants in the “one-call” agency or process. As such, inquiries must be made with the “one-call” agency to determine which entities do not participate, so they can be contacted independently.*

Most utility stakeouts have a limited time period for which they remain valid, typically two to three weeks. It is critical that this time period be considered to prevent expiration of clearance prior to completion of the invasive activities, and the need to repeat the stake-out process.

Care must be exercised to document receipt of notice from the involved agencies of the presence or absence of utilities in the vicinity of the proposed locations.

Most agencies will generally provide a telephone or fax communication indicating the lack of facilities in the project area. If contact is not made by all of the agencies identified by the “one-call” process, do not assume that such utilities are not present. Re-contact the “one-call” agency to determine the status.

For complicated sites with multiple proposed locations and multiple utilities, it is advisable to arrange an on-site meeting with utility representatives. This will minimize the potential for miscommunication amongst the involved parties.

Completion of the utility stake out process is not a guarantee that underground facilities will not be encountered in excavations or boreholes; in fact, most “one-call” agencies and individual utilities do not

offer guarantees, nor do they accept liability for damage that might occur. In areas outside the public right-of-way, a utility locating service may be utilized to locate underground utilities. It is advisable that any invasive activities proceed with extreme caution in the upper four to five feet in the event the clearance has failed to identify an existing facility. This may necessitate hand-excavation or probing to confirm potential presence of shallow utilities. If uncertainty exists for any given utility, extra activities can be initiated to solve utility clearance concerns. These options include:

- Screening the proposed work areas with utility locating devices, and/or hiring a utility locating service to perform this task.
- Hand digging, augering or probing to expose or reveal shallow utilities and confirm presence and location. In northern climates, this may require advancing to below frost line, typically at least four feet.
- Using “soft dig” techniques that utilize specialized tools and compressed air to excavate soils and locate utilities. This technique is effective in locating utilities to a depth of four to five feet.

**Equipment/Materials:**

- White Spray paint
- Wooden stakes, painted white or containing white flagging
- Color-code key
- Available drawings

## 4. Field Data Recording

This procedure describes protocol for documenting the investigation activities in the field. Field data serves as the cornerstone for an environmental project, not only for site characterization but for additional phases of investigation or remedial design. Producing defensible data includes proper and appropriate recording of field data as it is obtained in a manner to preserve the information for future use. This procedure provides guidelines for accurate, thorough collection and preservation of written and electronic field data.

Field data to be recorded during the project generally includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- general field observations;
- numeric field measurements and instrument readings;
- quantity estimates;
- sample locations and corresponding sample numbers;
- relevant comments and details pertaining to the samples collected;
- documentation of activities, procedures and progress achieved;
- contractor pay item quantities;
- weather conditions;
- a listing of personnel involved in site-related activities;
- a log of conversations, site meetings and other communications; and,
- field decisions and pertinent information associated with the decisions.

### 4.1 WRITTEN FIELD DATA

Written field data will be collected using a standardized, pre-printed field log form. In general, use of a field log form is preferable as it prompts field personnel to make appropriate observations and record data in a standardized format. This promotes completeness and consistency from one person to the next. Otherwise, electronic data collection using a handheld device produces equal completeness and consistency using a preformatted log form.

In the absence of an appropriate pre-printed form, the data should be recorded in an organized and structured manner in a dedicated project field log book. Log books must be hard cover, bound so that pages cannot be added or removed, and should be made from high-grade 50% rag paper with a water-resistant surface.

The following are guidelines for use of field log forms and log books:

1. Information must be factual and complete.
2. All entries will be made in black indelible ink with a ballpoint pen and will be written legibly. Do not use "rollerball" or felt tip-style pens, since the water-soluble ink can run or smear in the presence of moisture.
3. Field log forms should be consecutively numbered.
4. Each day's work must start a new form/page.
5. At the end of each day, the current log book page or forms must be signed and dated by the field personnel making the entries.

6. Make data entries immediately upon obtaining the data. Do not make temporary notes in other locations for later transfer; this only increases the potential for error or loss of data.
7. Entry errors are to be crossed out with a single line and initialed by the person making the correction.
8. Do not leave blanks on log forms, if no entry is applicable for a given data field, indicate so with "NA" or a dash ("--").
9. At the earliest practical time, photocopies or typed versions of log forms and log book pages should be made and placed in the project file as a backup in the event the book or forms are lost or damaged.
10. Log books should be dedicated to one project only, i.e., do not record data from multiple projects in one log book.

## 4.2 ELECTRONIC DATA

Electronic data recording involves electronic measurement of field information through the use of monitoring instruments, sensors, gauges, and equipment controls. The following is a list of guidelines for proper recording and management of electronic field data:

1. Field data management should follow requirements of a project-specific data management plan (DMP), if applicable.
2. Use only instruments that have been calibrated in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
3. Usage of instruments, controls and computers for the purpose of obtaining field data should only be performed by personnel properly trained and experienced in the use of the equipment and software.
4. Use only fully-licensed software on personal computers and laptops.
5. Loss of electronic files may mean loss of irreplaceable data. Every effort should be made to back up electronic files obtained in the field as soon as practical. A backup file placed on the file server will minimize the potential for loss.
6. Electronic files, once transferred from field instruments or laptops to office computers, should be protected if possible, to prevent unwanted or inadvertent manipulation or modification of data. Several levels of protection are usually available for spreadsheets, including making a file "read-only" or assigning a password to access the file.
7. Protect CD disks from exposure to moisture, excessive heat or cold, magnetic fields, or other potentially damaging conditions.
8. Remote monitoring is often used to obtain stored electronic data from site environmental systems. A thorough discussion of this type of electronic field data recording is beyond the scope of this Section. Such on-site systems are generally capable of storing a limited amount of data as a comma-delimited or spreadsheet file. Users must remotely access the monitoring equipment files via modem or other access and download the data. In order to minimize the potential for loss of data, access and downloading of data should be performed frequently enough to ensure the data storage capacity of the remote equipment is not exceeded.

### Equipment/Materials:

- Appropriate field log forms, or iPad® or equivalent with preformatted log forms.
- Indelible ball point pen (do not use "rollerball" or felt-tip style pens);
- Straight edge;
- Pocket calculator; and,
- Laptop computer (if required).

## 5. Aquifer Characterization

This procedure describes measurement of water levels in groundwater monitoring.

A synoptic gauging round will be completed to obtain water levels in monitoring wells. Water levels will be acquired in a manner that provides accurate data that can be used to calculate vertical and horizontal hydraulic gradients and other hydrogeologic parameters. Accuracy in obtaining the measurements is critical to ensure the usability of the data.

### 5.1 PROCEDURE

In order to provide reliable data, water level monitoring events should be collected over as short a period of time as practical. Barometric pressure can affect groundwater levels and, therefore, observation of significant weather changes during the period of water level measurements must be noted. Rainfall events and groundwater pumping can also affect groundwater level measurements. Personnel collecting water level data must note if any of these controls are in effect during the groundwater level collection period. Due to possible changes during the groundwater level collection period, it is imperative that the time of data collection at each station be accurately recorded. Water levels will also be collected prior to any sample collection that day.

The depth to groundwater will be measured with an electronic depth-indicating probe. Prior to obtaining a measurement, a fixed reference point on the well casing will be established for each well to be measured. Unless otherwise established, the reference point is typically established and marked on the north side of the well casing. Do not use protective casings or flush-mounted road boxes as a reference, due to the potential for damage or settlement. The elevation of the reference point shall be obtained by accepted surveying methods, to the nearest 0.01 ft.

The water level probe will be lowered into the well until the meter indicates (via indicator light or tone) the water is reached. The probe will be raised above water level and slowly lowered again until water is indicated. The cable will be held against the side of the inner protective casing at the point designated for water level measurements and a depth reading taken. This procedure will be followed three times or until a consistent value is obtained. The value will be recorded to the nearest 0.01 feet on the Groundwater Level Monitoring Report form.

Upon completion, the probe will be raised to the surface and together with the amount of cable that entered the well casing, will be decontaminated in accordance with methods described in Equipment Decontamination Procedure.

#### Equipment/Materials:

- Battery-operated, non-stretch electronic water level probe with permanent markings at 0.01 ft. increments, such as the Solinst Model 101 or equivalent.
- The calibrated cable on the depth indicator will be checked against a surveyor's steel tape once per quarter year. A new cable will be installed if the cable has changed by more than 0.01% (0.01 feet for a 100-foot cable). See also the Field Instruments – Use and Calibration Procedure.
- Groundwater Level Monitoring Report form.

## 6. Sample Collection for Laboratory Analysis

### 6.1 SOIL SAMPLE COLLECTION FOR LABORATORY ANALYSIS

The following procedure is an introduction to soil sampling techniques and an outline of field staff responsibilities. All samples will be collected with dedicated sampling equipment.

#### 6.1.1 Preparatory Requirements

Prior to the beginning of any remedial investigation or remedial measures activities, staff must attend a project briefing for the purpose of reviewing the project work plan, site and utility plans, drawings, applicable regulations, sampling location, depth, and criteria, site contacts, and other related documents. Health and safety concerns will be documented in a site-specific Health & Safety Plan.

A file folder for the field activities should be created and maintained such that all relevant documents and log forms likely to be useful for the completion of field activities by others are readily available in the event of personnel changes.

#### 6.1.2 Soil Classification

The stratigraphic log is a factual description of the soil at the borehole location and is relied upon to interpret the soil characteristics, and their influence and significance in the subsurface environment. The accuracy of the stratigraphic log is to be verified by the person responsible for interpreting subsurface conditions. An accurate description of the soil stratigraphy is essential for a reasonable understanding of the subsurface conditions. Confirmation of the field description by examination of representative soil samples by the project geologist, hydrogeologist, or geotechnical engineer (whenever practicable) is recommended.

The ability to describe and classify soil correctly is a skill that is learned from a person with experience and by systematic training and comparison of laboratory results to field descriptions.

##### 6.1.2.1 Data Recording

Several methods for classifying and describing soils or unconsolidated sediments are in relatively widespread use. The Unified Soil Classification System (USCS) is the most common. With the USCS, a soil is first classified according to whether it is predominantly coarse-grained or fine-grained.

The description of fill soil is similar to that of natural undisturbed soil except that it is identified as fill and not classified by USCS group, relative density, or consistency. Those logging soils must attempt to distinguish between soils that have been placed (i.e., fill) and not naturally present; or soils that have been naturally present but disturbed (i.e., disturbed native).

It is necessary to identify and group soil samples consistently to determine the subsurface pattern or changes and non-conformities in soil stratigraphy in the field at the time of drilling. The stratigraphy in each borehole during drilling is to be compared to the stratigraphy found at the previously completed boreholes to ensure that pattern or changes in soil stratigraphy are noted and that consistent terminology is used.

Visual examination, physical observations and manual tests (adapted from ASTM D2488, visual-manual procedures) are used to classify and group soil samples in the field and are summarized in this subsection. ASTM D2488 should be reviewed for detailed explanations of the procedures.

Visual-manual procedures used for soil identification and classification include:

- visual determination of grain size, soil gradation, and percentage fines;
- dry strength, dilatancy, toughness, and plasticity (thread or ribbon test) tests for identification of inorganic fine-grained soil (e.g., CL, CH, ML, or MH); and
- soil compressive strength and consistency estimates based on thumb indent and pocket penetrometer (preferred) methods.

Soil characteristics like plasticity, strength and dilatancy should be determined using the Haley & Aldrich Soil Identification Field Form.

### 6.1.2.2 Field Sample Screening

Upon the collection of soil samples, the soil is screened with a photoionization detector (PID) for the presence of organic vapor. This is accomplished by running the PID across the soil sample. The highest reading and sustained readings are recorded.

*Note: The PID measurement must be done upwind of the excavating equipment or any running engines so that exhaust fumes will not affect the measurements.*

Another method of field screening is head space measurements. This consists of placing a portion of the soil sample in a sealable glass jar, placing aluminum foil over the jar top, and tightening the lid. Alternatively, plastic sealable bags may be utilized for field screen in lieu of glass containers. The jar should only be partially filled. Shake the jar and set aside for at least 30 minutes. After the sample has equilibrated, the lid of the jar can be opened; the foil is punctured with the PID probe and the air (headspace) above the soil sample is monitored. This headspace reading on the field form or in the field book is recorded. All head space measurements must be completed under similar conditions to allow comparability of results. Soil classification and PID readings will be recorded in the daily field report.

#### Equipment/Materials:

- Pocket knife or small spatula
- Small handheld lens
- Stratigraphic Log (Overburden) (Form 2001)
- Tape Measure
- When sampling for PFAS, acceptable materials for sampling include stainless steel, high density polyethylene (HDPE), PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene.

### 6.1.3 Soil Sampling

Soil samples will be collected from acetate liners installed by a track-mounted direct push drill rig (Geoprobe®) operated by a licensed operator. Soil samples will be collected using a stainless-steel trowel or sampling spoon into laboratory provided sample containers. If it is necessary to relocate any proposed sampling location due to terrain, utilities, access, etc., the Project Manager must be notified, and an alternate location will be selected.

Prior to use and between each sampling location at an environmental site, the sampling equipment must be decontaminated. All decontamination must be conducted in accordance with the project specific plans or the methods presented in SOP 7.0.

#### 6.1.4 Sampling Techniques

The following procedure describes typical soil sample collection methods for submission of samples to a laboratory for chemical analysis. The primary goal of soil sampling is to collect representative samples for examination and chemical analysis (if required).

Environmental soil samples obtained for chemical analyses are collected with special attention given to the rationale behind determining the precise zone to sample, the specifics of the method of soil extraction and the requisite decontamination procedures. Preservation, handling and glassware for environmental soil samples varies considerably depending upon several factors including the analytical method to be conducted, and the analytical laboratory being used.

##### 6.1.4.1 Grab Versus Composite Samples

A grab sample is collected to identify and quantify conditions at a specific location or interval. The sample is comprised of the minimum amount of soil necessary to make up the volume of sample dictated by the required sample analyses. Composite samples may be obtained from several locations or along a linear trend (in a test pit or excavation). Sampling may occur within or across stratification.

## 6.2 GROUNDWATER SAMPLE COLLECTION FOR LABORATORY ANALYSIS

The following section describes two techniques for groundwater sampling: "Low Stress/Low Flow Methods" and "Typical Sampling Methods."

"Low Stress/Low Flow" methods will be employed when collecting groundwater samples for the evaluation of volatile constituents (i.e., dissolved oxygen (DO)) or in fine-grained formations where sediment/colloid transport is possible. Analyses typically sensitive to colloidal transport issues include polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and metals.

The "Typical Sampling Methods" will be employed where the collection of parameters less sensitive to turbidity/sediment issues are being collected (general chemistry, pesticides and other semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs)).

*NOTE: If non-aqueous phase liquids (NAPL) (light or dense) are detected in a monitoring well, groundwater sample collection will not be conducted, and the Project Manager must be contacted to determine a course of action.*

### 6.2.1 Preparatory Requirements

- Verify well identification and location using borehole log details and location layout figures. Note the condition of the well and record any necessary repair work required.
- Prior to opening the well cap, measure the breathing space above the well casing with a handheld organic vapor analyzer to establish baseline breathing space VOC levels. Repeat this measurement once the well cap is opened. If either of these measurements exceeds the air quality criteria in the HASP, field personnel should adjust their PPE accordingly.
- Prior to commencing the groundwater purging/sampling, a water level must be obtained to determine the well volume for hydraulic purposes. In some settings, it may be necessary to allow the water level time to equilibrate. This condition exists if a water tight seal exists at the well cap and the water level has fluctuated above the top of screen; creating a vacuum or pressurized area in this air space. Three water level checks will verify static water level conditions have been achieved.
- Calculate the volume of water in the well. Typically overburden well volumes consider only the quantity of water standing in the well screen and riser; bedrock well volumes are calculated on the quantity of water within the open core hole and within the overburden casing.

### 6.2.2 Well Development

Well development is completed to remove fine grained materials from the well but in such a manner as to not introduce fines from the formation into the sand pack. Well development continues until the well responds to water level changes in the formation (i.e., a good hydraulic connection is established between the well and formation) and the well produces clear, sediment-free water to the extent practical.

- Attach appropriate pump and lower tubing into well.
- Gauge well and calculate one well volume. Turn on pump. If well runs dry, shut off pump and allow to recover.
- Surging will be performed by raising and lowering the pump several times to pull fine-grained material from the well. Periodically measure turbidity level using a La Motte turbidity reader.
- The second and third steps will be repeated until turbidity is less than 50 nephelometric turbidity units (NTU) or when 10 well volumes have been removed.
- All water generated during cleaning and development procedures will be collected and contained on site in 55-gallon drums for future analysis and appropriate disposal.

#### Equipment:

- Appropriate health and safety equipment
- Knife
- Power source (generator)
- Field book
- Well Development Form (Form 3006)
- Well keys
- Graduated pails

- Pump and tubing
- Cleaning supplies (including non-phosphate soap, buckets, brushes, laboratory-supplied distilled/deionized water, tap water, cleaning solvent, aluminum foil, plastic sheeting, etc.)
- Water level meter

### 6.2.3 Well Purging and Stabilization Monitoring (Low Stress/Low Flow Method)

The preferred method for groundwater sampling will be the low stress/low flow method described below.

- Slowly lower the pump, safety cable, tubing and electrical lines into the well to the depth specified by the project requirements. The pump intake must be at the midpoint of the well screen to prevent disturbance and resuspension of any sediment in the screen base.
- Before starting the pump, measure the water level again with the pump in the well leaving the water level measuring device in the well when completed.
- Purge the well at 100 to a maximum of 500 milliliters per minute (mL/min). During purging, the water level should be monitored approximately every 5 minutes, or as appropriate. A steady flow rate should be maintained that results in drawdown of 0.3 feet or less. The rate of pumping should not exceed the natural flow rate conditions of the well. Care should be taken to maintain pump suction and to avoid entrainment of air in the tubing. Record adjustments made to the pumping rates and water levels immediately after each adjustment.
- During the purging of the well, monitor and record the field indicator parameters (pH, temperature, conductivity, oxidation-reduction (redox) reaction potential (ORP), dissolved oxygen (DO), and turbidity) approximately every five minutes. Stabilization is considered to be achieved when the final groundwater flow rate is achieved, and three consecutive readings for each parameter are within the following limits:
  - pH: 0.1 pH units of the average value of the three readings;
  - Temperature: 3 percent of the average value of the three readings;
  - Conductivity: 0.005 milliSiemen per centimeter (mS/cm) of the average value of the three readings for conductivity <1 mS/cm and 0.01 mS/cm of the average value of the three readings for conductivity >1 mS/cm;
  - ORP: 10 millivolts (mV) of the average value of the three readings;
  - DO: 10 percent of the average value of the three readings; and
  - Turbidity: 10 percent of the average value of the three readings, or a final value of less than 50 nephelometric turbidity units (NTU).
- The pump must not be removed from the well between purging and sampling.

#### 6.2.4 Sampling Techniques

- If an alternate pump is utilized, the first pump discharge volumes should be discarded to allow the equipment a period of acclimation to the groundwater.
- Samples are collected directly from the pump with the groundwater being discharged directly into the appropriate sample container. Avoid handling the interior of the bottle or bottle cap and don new gloves for each well sampled to avoid contamination of the sample.
- Order of sample collection:
  - Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)
  - Volatile organic compounds (VOC)
  - 1,4-Dioxane
  - Semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOC)
  - Total Analyte List (TAL) metals
- No sampling equipment components or sample containers should come in contact with aluminum foil, low density polyethylene, glass, or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon™) materials including plumbers' tape and sample bottle cap liners with a PTFE layer.
- For low stress/low flow sampling, samples should be collected at a flow rate between 100 and 500 mL/min and such that drawdown of the water level within the well does not exceed the maximum allowable drawdown of 0.3 feet.
- The pumping rate used to collect a sample for VOC should not exceed 100 mL/min. Samples should be transferred directly to the final container 40 mL glass vials completely full and topped with a Teflon cap. Once capped the vial must be inverted and tapped to check for headspace/air presence (bubbles). If air is present, the sample will be discarded, and recollected until free of air.
- All samples must be labeled with:
  - A unique sample number
  - Date and time
  - Parameters to be analyzed
  - Project Reference ID
  - Sampler's initials
- Labels should be written in indelible ink and secured to the bottle with clear tape.

#### Equipment/Materials:

- pH meter, conductivity meter, DO meter, ORP meter, nephelometer, temperature gauge
- Field filtration units (if required)
- Purging/sampling equipment
  - Peristaltic Pump
- Water level probe

- Sampling materials (containers, log book/forms, coolers, chain of custody)
- Work Plan
- Health and Safety Plan
- When sampling for PFAS, acceptable materials for sampling include stainless steel, HDPE, PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene.

*Note: Peristaltic pump use for VOC collection is not acceptable on NYSDEC/EPA/RCRA sites; this technique has gained acceptance in select areas where it is permissible to collect VOCs using a peristaltic pump at a low flow rate (e.g., Michigan).*

*Note: 1,4-Dioxane and PFAS purge and sample techniques will be conducted following the NYSDEC guidance documents (see Appendix C of the RIWP). Acceptable groundwater pumps include stainless steel inertia pump with HDPE tubing, peristaltic pump equipped with HDPE tubing and silicone tubing, stainless steel bailer with stainless steel ball or bladder pump (identified as PFAS-free) with HDPE tubing.*

#### **Field Notes:**

- Field notes must document all the events, equipment used, and measurements collected during the sampling activities. Section 2.0 describes the data/recording procedure for field activities.
- The log book should document the following for each well sampled:
  - Identification of well
  - Well depth
  - Static water level depth and measurement technique
  - Sounded well depth
  - Presence of immiscible layers and detection/collection method
  - Well yield – high or low
  - Purge volume and pumping rate
  - Time well purged
  - Measured field parameters
  - Purge/sampling device used
  - Well sampling sequence
  - Sampling appearance
  - Sample odors
  - Sample volume
  - Types of sample containers and sample identification
  - Preservative(s) used
  - Parameters requested for analysis
  - Field analysis data and method(s)
  - Sample distribution and transporter
  - Laboratory shipped to
  - Chain of custody number for shipment to laboratory
  - Field observations on sampling event
  - Name collector(s)
  - Climatic conditions including air temperature
  - Problems encountered and any deviations made from the established sampling protocol.

A standard log form for documentation and reporting groundwater purging and sampling events are presented on the Groundwater Sampling Record, Low Flow Groundwater Sampling Form, and Low Flow Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA) Field Sampling Form. Refer to Appendix A for example field forms.

#### **Groundwater/Decon Fluid Disposal:**

- Groundwater disposal methods will vary on a case-by-case basis but may range from:
  - Off-site treatment at private treatment/disposal facilities or public owned treatment facilities
  - On-site treatment at Facility operated facilities
  - Direct discharge to the surrounding ground surface, allowing groundwater infiltration to the underlying subsurface regime
- Decontamination fluids should be segregated and collected separately from wash waters/groundwater containers.

### **6.3 SUB-SLAB/SOIL VAPOR SAMPLING**

The following procedure is an introduction to soil vapor sampling techniques and an outline of field staff responsibilities.

#### **6.3.1 Preparatory Requirements**

Prior to collecting the field sample, ensure the stainless steel soil vapor probe has been installed to the desired depth and sealed completely to the surface using a material such as bentonite. As part of the vapor intrusion evaluation, a tracer gas should be used in accordance with NYSDOH protocols to serve as a quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) device to verify the integrity of the soil vapor probe seal. A container (box, plastic pail, etc.) will serve to keep the tracer gas in contact with the probe during testing. A portable monitoring device will be used to analyze a sample of soil vapor for the tracer gas prior to sampling. If the tracer sample results show a significant presence of the tracer, the probe seals will be adjusted to prevent infiltration. At the conclusion of the sampling round, tracer monitoring should be performed a second time to confirm the integrity of the probe seals.

#### **6.3.2 Sampling Techniques**

Samples will be collected in appropriately sized Summa canisters that have been certified clean by the laboratory and samples will be analyzed by using USEPA Method TO-15. Flow rate for both purging and sampling will not exceed 0.2 L/min. One to three implant volumes shall be purged prior to the collection of any soil-gas samples. A sample log sheet will be maintained summarizing sample identification, date and time of sample collection, sampling depth, identity of samplers, sampling methods and devices, soil vapor purge volumes, volume of the soil vapor extracted, vacuum of canisters before and after the samples are collected, apparent moisture content of the sampling zone, and chain of custody protocols.

## 6.4 SAMPLE HANDLING AND SHIPPING

Sample management is the continuous care given to each sample from the point of collection to receipt at the analytical laboratory. Good sample management ensures that samples are properly recorded, properly labeled, and not lost, broken, or exposed to conditions which may affect the sample's integrity.

All sample submissions must be accompanied with a chain of custody (COC) document to record sample collection and submission. Personnel performing sampling tasks must check the sample preparation and preservation requirements to ensure compliance with the Quality Assurance Project Plan.

The following sections provide the minimum standards for sample management.

### 6.4.1 Sample Handling

Prior to entering the field area where sampling is to be conducted, especially at sites with defined exclusion zones, the sampler should ensure that all materials necessary to complete the sampling are on hand. If samples must be maintained at a specified temperature after collection, dedicated coolers and ice must be available for use. Conversely, when sampling in cold weather, proper protection of water samples, trip blanks, and field blanks must be considered. Sample preservation will involve pH adjustment, cooling to 4°C, and sample filtration and preservation.

### 6.4.2 Sample Labeling

Samples must be properly labeled immediately upon collection.

Note that the data shown on the sample label is the minimum data required. The sample label data requirements are listed below for clarity.

- Project name
- Sample name/number/unique identifier
- Sampler's initials
- Date of sample collection
- Time of sample collection
- Analysis required
- Preservatives

To ensure that samples are not confused, a clear notation should be made on the container with a permanent marker. If the containers are too soiled for marking, the container can be put into a "zip lock" bag which can then be labeled.

All sample names will be as follows:

- Sample unique identifier: Enter the sample name or number. There should be NO slashes, spaces or periods in the date.
- Date: Enter the six-digit date when the sample was collected. Note that for one-digit days, months, and/or years, add zeros so that the format is MMDDYY (050210). There should be NO slashes, dashes, or periods in the date.

The QA/QC samples will be numbered consecutively as collected with a sample name, date and number of samples collected throughout the day (i.e., when multiple QA/QC samples are collected in one day).

Examples of this naming convention are as follows:

Sample Name:	Comments
TB-050202-0001	TRIP BLANK
TB-050202-0002	TRIP BLANK
FD-050202-0001	FIELD DUPLICATE
FD-050202-0002	FIELD DUPLICATE

*NOTE: The QA/QC Sample # resets to 0001 EACH DAY, this will avoid having to look back to the previous day for the correct sequential number.*

### 6.4.3 Field Code

The field code will be written in the 'Comments' field on the chain of custody for EVERY sample but will not be a part of the actual sample name. Enter the one/two-character code for type of sample (must be in CAPITALS):

N	Normal Field Sample
FD	Field Duplicate (note sample number (i.e., 0001) substituted for time)
TB	Trip Blank (note sample number (i.e., 0001) substituted for time)
EB	Equipment Blank (note sample number (i.e., 0001) substituted for time)
FB	Field Blank (note sample number (i.e., 0001) substituted for time)
KD	Known Duplicate
FS	Field Spike Sample
MS	Matrix Spike Sample (note on 'Comments' field of COC – laboratory to spike matrix.
MD	Matrix Spike Duplicate Sample (note on 'Comments' field of COC – laboratory to spike matrix.
RM	Reference Material

The sample labeling – both chain and sample bottles must be EXACTLY as detailed above. In addition, the Field Sample Key for each sample collected must be filled out.

### 6.4.4 Packaging

Sample container preparation and packing for shipment should be completed in a well-organized and clean area, free of any potential cross contamination. The following is a list of standard guidelines which must be followed when packing samples for shipment.

- Double bag ice in "Zip Lock" bags.
- Double check to ensure trip and temperature blanks have been included for all shipments containing VOCs, or where otherwise specified in the QAPP.
- Enclose the Chain of Custody form in a "Zip Lock" bag.
- Ensure custody seals (two, minimum) are placed on each cooler. Coolers with hinged lids should have both seals placed on the opening edge of the lid. Coolers with "free" lids should have seals placed on opposite diagonal corners of the lid. Place clear tape over custody seals.

- Containers should be wiped clean of all debris/water using paper towels (paper towels must be disposed of with other contaminated materials).
- Clear, wide packing tape should be placed over the sample label for protection.
- Do not bulk pack. Each sample must be individually padded.
- Large glass containers (1 liter and up) require much more space between containers.
- Ice is not a packing material due to the reduction in volume when it melts.

*Note: Never store sterile sample containers in enclosures containing equipment which use any form of fuel or volatile petroleum-based product. When conducting sampling in freezing conditions at sites without a heated storage area (free of potential cross contaminants), unused trip blanks should be isolated from coolers immediately after receipt. Trip blanks should be double bagged and kept from freezing.*

#### 6.4.5 Chain-of-Custody Records

Chain of custody (COC) forms will be completed for all samples collected. The form documents the transfer of sample containers. The COC record, completed at the time of sampling, will contain, but not be limited to, the sample number, date and time of sampling, and the name of the sampler. The COC document will be signed and dated by the sampler when transferring the samples.

Each sample cooler being shipped to the laboratory will contain a COC form. The cooler will be sealed properly for shipment. The laboratory will maintain a copy for their records. One copy will be returned with the data deliverables package.

The following list provides guidance for the completion and handling of all COCs:

- COCs used should be a Haley & Aldrich standard form or supplied by the analytical laboratory.
- COCs must be completed in black ball point ink only.
- COCs must be completed neatly using printed text.
- If a simple mistake is made, cross out the error with a single line and initial and date the correction.
- Each separate sample entry must be sequentially numbered.
- If numerous repetitive entries must be made in the same column, place a continuous vertical arrow between the first entry and the next different entry.
- When more than one COC form is used for a single shipment, each form must be consecutively numbered using the "Page \_\_\_ of \_\_\_" format.
- If necessary, place additional instructions directly onto the COC in the Comment Section. Do not enclose separate instructions.
- Include a contact name and phone number on the COC in case there is a problem with the shipment.
- Before using an acronym on a COC, clearly define the full interpretation of your designation [i.e., polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)].

#### 6.4.6 Shipment

Prior to the start of the field sampling, the carrier should be contacted to determine if pickup will be at the field site location. If pick-up is not available at the Site, the nearest pick-up or drop off location should be determined. Sample shipments must not be left at unsecured drop locations.

Copies of all shipment manifests must be maintained in the field file.

## 7. Field Instruments – Use and Calibration

A significant number of field activities involve usage of electronic instruments to monitor for environmental conditions and health and safety purposes. It is imperative the instruments are used and maintained properly to optimize their performance and minimize the potential for inaccuracies in the data obtained. This section provides guidance on the usage, maintenance and calibration of electronic field equipment.

- All monitoring equipment will be in proper working order and operated in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations.
- Field personnel will be responsible for ensuring that the equipment is maintained and calibrated in the field in accordance with manufacturer’s recommendations.
- Instruments will be operated only by personnel trained in the proper usage and calibration.
- Personnel must be aware of the range of conditions such as temperature and humidity for instrument operation. Usage of instruments in conditions outside these ranges will only proceed with approval of the Project Manager and/or Health and Safety Officer as appropriate.
- Instruments that contain radioactive source material, such as x-ray fluorescence (XRF) analyzers or moisture-density gauges require specific transportation, handling and usage procedures that are generally associated with a license from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) or an NRC-Agreement State. Under no circumstance will operation of such instruments be allowed on site unless by properly authorized and trained personnel, using the proper personal dosimetry badges or monitoring instruments.

### 7.1 GENERAL PROCEDURE DISCUSSION

Care must be taken to minimize the potential for transfer of contaminated materials to the ground or onto other materials. Regardless of the size or nature of the equipment being decontaminated, the process will utilize a series of steps that involve removal of gross material (dirt, grease, oil etc.), washing with a detergent, and multiple rinsing steps. In lieu of a series of washes and rinse steps, steam cleaning with low-volume, high-pressure equipment (i.e., steam cleaner) is acceptable.

Exploration equipment, and all monitoring equipment in contact with the sampling media must be decontaminated prior to initiating site activities, in between exploration locations to minimize cross-contamination, and prior to mobilizing off site after completion of site work.

The following specific decontamination procedure is recommended for sampling equipment and tools:

- Brush loose soil off equipment;
- Wash equipment with laboratory grade detergent (i.e., Alconox or equivalent);
- Rinse with tap water;
- Rinse equipment with distilled water;
- Allow water to evaporate before reusing equipment; and
- Wrap equipment in aluminum foil when not being used.

## 7.2 DECONTAMINATION OF MONITORING EQUIPMENT

Because monitoring equipment is difficult to decontaminate, care should be exercised to prevent contamination. Sensitive monitoring instruments should be protected when they are at risk of exposure to contaminants. This may include enclosing them in plastic bags allowing an opening for the sample intake. Ventilation ports should not be covered.

If contamination does occur, decontamination of the equipment will be required; however, immersion in decontamination fluids is not possible. As such, care must be taken to wipe the instruments down with detergent-wetted wipes or sponges, and then with de-ionized water-wetted wipes or sponges.

## 7.3 DISPOSAL OF WASH SOLUTIONS AND CONTAMINATED EQUIPMENT

All contaminated wash water, rinses, solids and materials used in the decontamination process that cannot be effectively decontaminated (such as polyethylene sheeting) will be containerized and disposed of in accordance with applicable regulations. All containers will be labeled with an indelible marker as to contents and date of placement in the container, and any appropriate stickers required (such as PCBs). Storage of decontamination wastes on site will not exceed 90 days under any circumstances.

### **Equipment/Materials:**

Decontamination equipment and solutions are generally selected based on ease of decontamination and disposability.

- Polyethylene sheeting;
- Metal racks to hold equipment;
- Soft-bristle scrub brushes or long-handle brushes for removing gross contamination and scrubbing with wash solutions;
- Large galvanized wash tubs, stock tanks, or wading pools for wash and rinse solutions;
- Plastic buckets or garden sprayers for rinse solutions;
- Large plastic garbage cans or other similar containers lined with plastic bags can be used to store contaminated clothing;
- Contaminated liquids and solids should be segregated and containerized in DOT-approved plastic or metal drums, appropriate for offsite shipping/disposal if necessary.

## 8. Investigation Derived Waste Disposal

### 8.1 RATIONALE/ASSUMPTIONS

This procedure applies to the disposition of investigation derived waste (IDW) including soils and/or groundwater. IDW is dealt with the following "Best Management Practices" and is not considered a listed waste due to the lack of generator knowledge concerning chemical source, chemical origin, and timing of chemical introduction to the subsurface.

Consequently, waste sampling and characterization is performed to determine if the wastes exhibit a characteristic of hazardous waste. The disposal of soil cuttings, test pit soils and/or purged groundwater will be reviewed on a case by case basis prior to initiation of field activities. Two scenarios typically exist:

- When no information is available in the area of activity or investigation, and impacted media/soils are identified. Activities such as new construction and /or maintenance below grade may encounter environmental conditions that were unknown.
- Disposal Required/Containerization Required – When sufficient Site information regarding the investigative Site conditions warrant that all materials handled will be contained and disposed.

If a known listed hazardous and/or characteristically hazardous waste/contaminated environmental media is being handled, then handling must be performed in accordance with RCRA Subtitle C (reference 2, Part V, Section 1(a),(b),(c)).

The following outlines the waste characterization procedures to be employed when IDW disposal is required.

The following procedure describes the techniques for characterization of IDW for disposal purposes. IDW may consist of soil cuttings (augering, boring, well installation soils, test pit soils), rock core or rock flour (from coring, reaming operations), groundwater (from well development, purging and sampling activities), decontamination fluids, personal protective equipment (PPE), and disposal equipment (DE).

### 8.2 PROCEDURE

The procedures for handling and characterization of field activity generated wastes are:

- A.) Soil Cuttings - Soils removed from boring activities will be contained within an approved container, suitable for transportation and disposal.
- Once placed into the approved container, any free - liquids (i.e., groundwater) will be removed for disposal as waste fluids or solidified within the approved container using a solidification agent such as Speedy Dri (or equivalent).
  - Contained soils will be screened for the presence of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), using a Photo ionization detector (PID); this data will be logged for future reference.

- Once screened, full and closed; the container will be labeled and placed into the container storage area. At a minimum, the following information will be shown on each container label: date of filling/generation, Site name, source of soils (i.e., borehole or well), and contact.
- Prior to container closure, representative samples from the containers will be collected for waste characterization purposes and submitted to the project laboratory.
- Typically, at a location where an undetermined site-specific parameter group exists, sampling and analysis may consist of the full RCRA Waste Characterization (ignitability, corrosivity, reactivity, toxicity), or a subset of the above based upon data collected, historical information, and generator knowledge.

B.) Groundwater - purging, and sampling groundwater, which requires disposal, will be contained.

- Containment may be performed in 55-gallon drums, tanks suitable for temporary storage (i.e., Nalgene tanks 500 to 1,000 gallons) or if large volumes of groundwater are anticipated, tanker trailer (5,000 to 10,000 gallons ±), or drilling "Frac" tanks may be utilized (20,000 gallons ±). In all cases the container/tank used for groundwater storage must be clean before use such that cross contamination does not occur.

C.) Decon Waters/Decon Fluids - Decon waters and/or fluids will be segregated, contained, and disposed accordingly.

- Decon waters may be disposed of with the containerized groundwater once analytical results have been acquired.

D.) PPE/DE – A number of disposal options exists for spent PPE/DE generated from investigation tasks. The options typically employed are:

- Immediately disposed of within on-Site dumpster/municipal trash; or
- If known to be contaminated with RCRA hazardous waste, dispose off-Site at a RCRA Subtitle C facility.
- Spent Solvent/Acid Rinses - The need for sampling must be determined in consultation with the waste management organization handling the materials. If known that only the solvent and/or acids are present, then direct disposal/treatment using media specific options may be possible without sampling (i.e., incineration).
- PPE/DE – Typically not sampled and included with the disposal of the solid wastes.

**Equipment/Materials:**

- Sample spoons, trier, auger,
- Sample mixing bowl,
- Sampling bailer, or pump,
- Sample glassware.

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**APPENDIX A**  
Field Forms











## **APPENDIX C**

### **GPR Findings Report**



# Summary of Underground Utility Locating

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We appreciate the opportunity to provide this report for our work completed on October 11, 2021.

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the project was to search for underground utilities within the project boundaries provided by the client. The scope of work consisted of 1 location measuring approximately 2,000 square feet. The scope of work consisted of the site property lines and our marks were placed onto the surface with spray paint.

## **EQUIPMENT**

- **Underground Scanning GPR Antenna.** The antenna with frequencies ranging from 250 MHz-450 MHz is mounted in a stroller frame which rolls over the surface. The surface needs to be reasonably smooth and unobstructed in order to obtain readable scans. Obstructions such as curbs, landscaping, and vegetation will limit the feasibility of GPR. The data is displayed on a screen and marked in the field in real time. The total depth achieved can be as much as 8' or more with this antenna but can vary widely depending on the types of materials being scanned through. Some soil types such as clay may limit maximum depths to 3' or less. As depth increases, targets must be larger in order to be detected and non-metallic targets can be especially difficult to locate. Depths provided should always be treated as estimates as their accuracy can be affected by multiple factors. For more information, please visit: [Link](#)
- **Electromagnetic Pipe Locator.** The EM locator can passively detect the electromagnetic fields from live AC power or from radio signals travelling along some conductive utilities. It can also be used in conjunction with a transmitter to connect directly to accessible, metallic pipes or tracer wires. A current is sent through the pipe or tracer wire at a specific frequency and the resulting EM field can then be detected by the receiver. A utility's ability to be located depends on a variety of factors including access to the utility, conductivity, grounding, interference from other fields, and many others. Depths provided should always be treated as estimates as their accuracy can be affected by multiple factors. For more information, please visit: [Link](#)

## **PROCESS**

The process typically begins with using the EM pipe locator to locate pipes or utilities throughout the scan area. First, the transmitter is used to connect to and trace any visible risers, tracer wires, or accessible, conductive utilities provided that there is an exposed, metallic surface. The areas are then swept with the receiver to detect live power or radio frequency signals. Locations and depths are painted or flagged on the surface. Depths cannot always be provided depending on the location method and can be prone to error.

Initial GPR scans were then collected in order to evaluate the data and calibrate the equipment. Based on these findings, a scanning strategy is formed, typically consisting of scanning the entire area in a grid with 1' scan spacing in order to locate any potential utilities that were not found with the pipe locator. The GPR data is viewed in real time and anomalies in the data are located and marked on the surface along with their depths using spray paint, pin flags, etc.

## **LIMITATIONS**

Please keep in mind that there are limitations to any subsurface investigation. The equipment may not achieve maximum effectiveness due to soil conditions, above ground obstructions, reinforced concrete, and a variety of other factors. No subsurface investigation or equipment can provide a complete image of what lies below. Our results should always be used in conjunction with as many methods as possible including consulting existing plans and drawings, exploratory excavation or potholing, visual inspection of above-ground features, and utilization of services such as One Call/811. Depths are dependent on the dielectric of the materials being scanned so depth accuracy can vary throughout a site. Relevant scan examples were saved and will be provided in this report.

## **FINDINGS**

The subsurface conditions at the time of scanning permitted a maximum GPR depth penetration of 1'. Using GPR or the EM locator. The conditions at this location created significant interference with GPR equipment. Water and site lights were particularly difficult to locate. Numerous abandoned pipes were found in the storage facility. The EM locator detected a distorted signal emanating from the main waterline. Locating utilities in general was quite difficult on this location. Additionally, multiple abandoned manholes were discovered on-site. All storm drains were observed to be clogged with water. The lines connecting the tank to the pumps were not verified. GPRS proposes hand digging in the work area to expose lines manually. This will also ensure workers safety. The following pages will provide further explanation of the findings.



Picture 1: AUTO SHUT OFF ELECTRICAL LINES.



Picture 2: SIGNAL OF WATER LINE WAS LOST AND PICKED UP AGAIN NEAR THE BUDILING.



Picture 3: WATER AND ELCTRICAL LINES GOING TO THE BUILDING.



Picture 4: ELECTRICAL AND WATER ROUTE TO THE BUILDING.



Picture 5: ELECTRICAL AND WATER COMING FROM THE STREET.



Picture 6: ELECTRICAL GOING TO THE PUMPS.

GPR Data Screenshots and Photos

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GPRS appreciates the opportunity to offer our services, and we look forward to continuing to work with you on future projects. Please feel free to contact us for additional information or with any questions you may have regarding this report.

Signed,

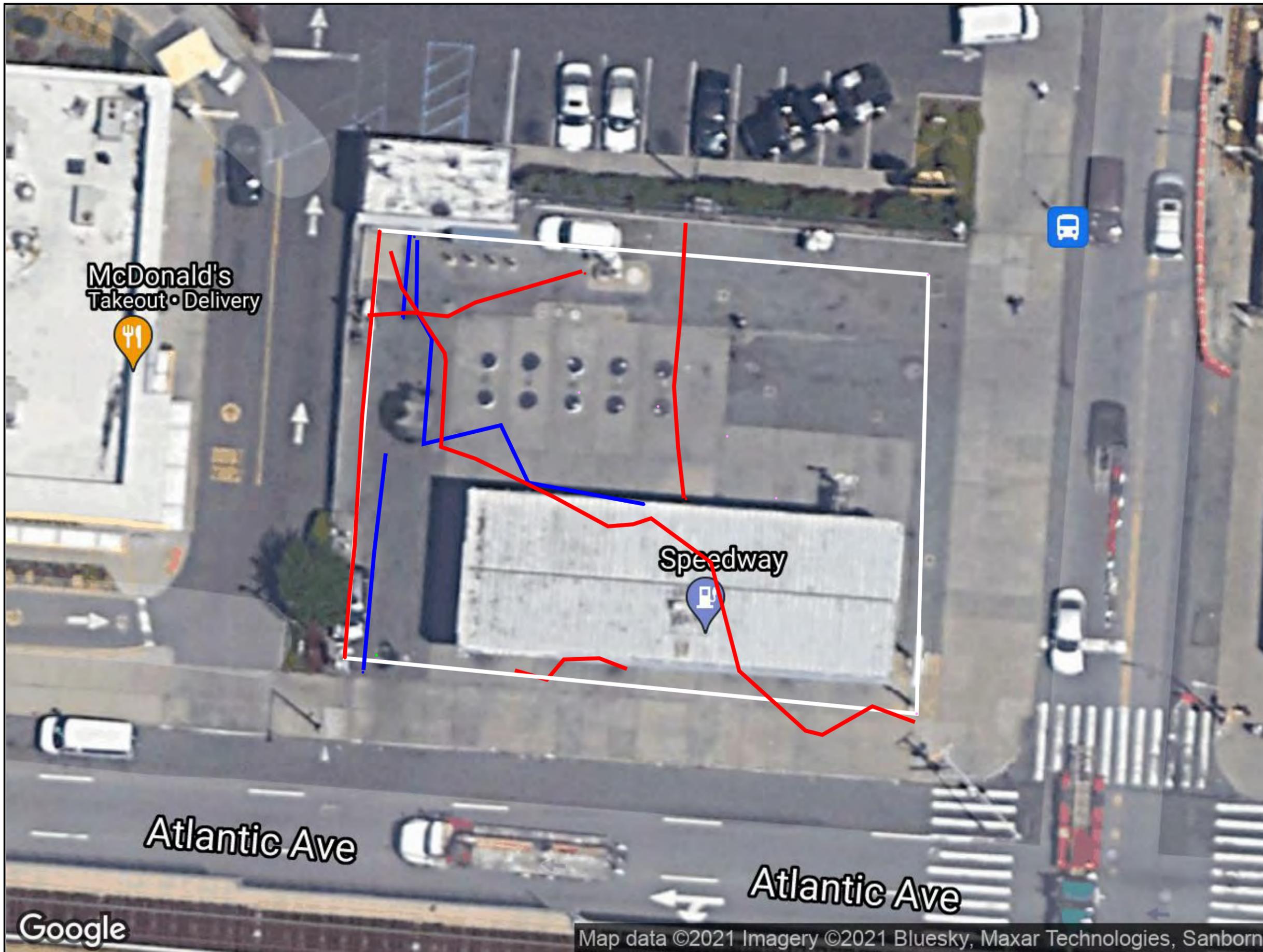
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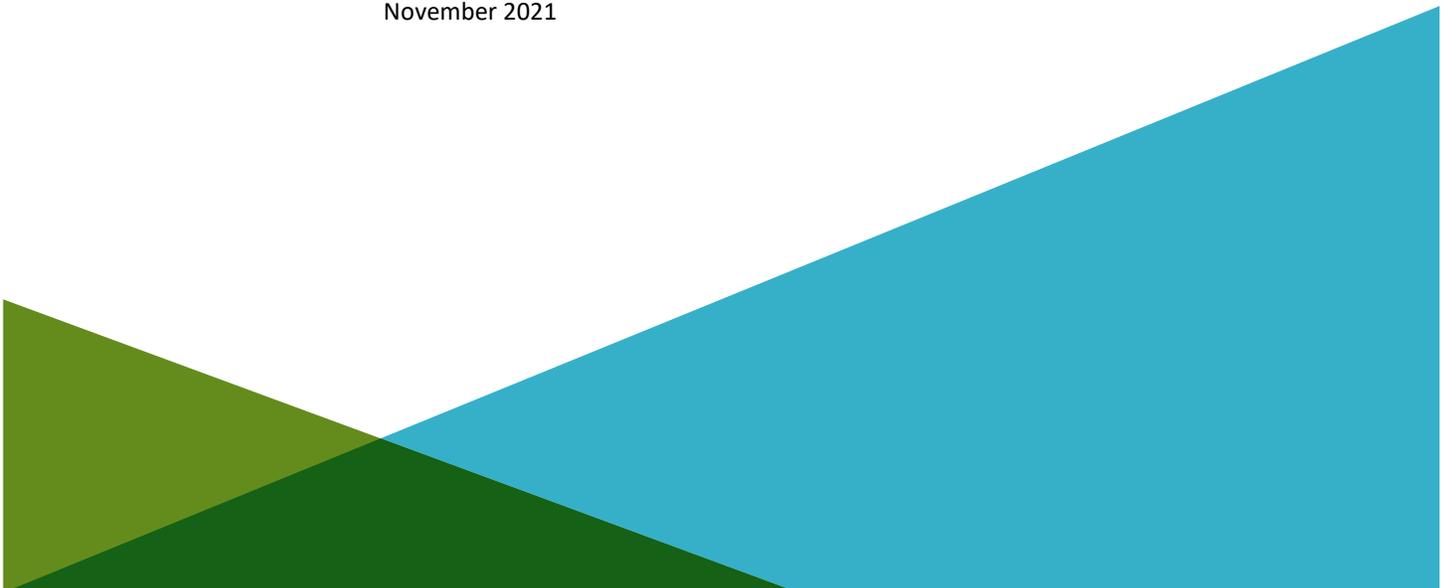
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## **Executive Summary**

This Quality Assurance Project Plan outlines the scope of the quality assurance and quality control activities associated with the site monitoring activities associated with the Remedial Investigation Work Plan and Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan for 1885 Atlantic Avenue in Brooklyn, New York (Site).

Protocols for sample collection, sample handling and storage, chain-of-custody procedures, and laboratory and field analyses are described herein or specifically referenced to related project documents.

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# 1. Project Description

This Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) has been prepared as a component of the Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP) and Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan (IRMWP) for 1885 Atlantic Avenue in Brooklyn, New York (Site).

## 1.1 PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The primary objective for data collection activities is to collect sufficient data necessary to characterize the subsurface conditions at the Site and determine the nature and extent of contamination.

## 1.2 SITE DESCRIPTION AND HISTORY

The general Site description and Site history is provided in the Site Description and History Summary that accompanies the RIWP appended to the Brownfield Cleanup Program application for the Site and incorporated herein by reference.

## 1.3 LABORATORY PARAMETERS

The laboratory parameters for soil include:

- Target Compound List volatile organic compounds (VOCs) using EPA method 8260B
- Target Compound List semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs) using EPA method 8270C
- Total Analyte List (TAL) Metals using EPA method 6010
- Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) using EPA method 8082
- Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) using EPA method 537
- 1,4-Dioxane using EPA method 8260B

The laboratory parameters for groundwater include:

- Target Compound List VOCs using EPA method 8260C
- Target Compound List SVOCs using EPA method 8270C
- TAL Metals using EPA method 6010
- PFAS using EPA method 537
- 1,4-Dioxane using EPA method 8260B

*Note: 1,4-Dioxane and PFAS sampling techniques will be conducted following the NYSDEC Collection of Groundwater Samples for PFAS from Monitoring Wells Sample Protocol.*

During the collection of groundwater samples, pH, specific conductivity, temperature, dissolved oxygen (DO), and oxidation/reduction potential (ORP) will be measured until stabilized.

The laboratory parameter for soil vapor includes:

- VOCs using EPA method TO-15

Laboratory parameters for disposal samples will be determined by the disposal facility after an approved facility has been determined.

#### **1.4 SAMPLING LOCATIONS**

The RIWP/IRMWP provides the locations of soil borings, soil vapor implants and groundwater monitoring wells that will be sampled (as applicable).

## **2. Project Organization and Responsibilities**

This section defines the roles and responsibilities of the individuals who will perform the RIWP/IRMWP monitoring activities. A NYSDOH certified analytical laboratory will perform the analyses of environmental samples collected at the Site.

### **2.1 MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Project Manager is responsible for managing the implementation of the RIWP/IRMWP and monitoring and coordinating the collection of data. The Project Manager is responsible for technical quality control (QC) and project oversight. The Project Manager responsibilities include the following:

- Acquire and apply technical and corporate resources as needed to ensure performance within budget and schedule restraints;
- Review work performed to ensure quality, responsiveness, and timeliness;
- Communicate with the client point of contact concerning the progress of the monitoring activities;
- Assure corrective actions are taken for deficiencies cited during audits of RIWP/IRMWP monitoring activities; and,
- Assure compliance with Site health and safety plan.

### **2.2 QUALITY ASSURANCE RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Quality Assurance (QA) team will consist of a QA Officer and the Data Validation Staff. QA responsibilities are described as follows:

#### **2.2.1 Quality Assurance Officer**

The QA Officer reports directly to the Project Manager and will be responsible for overseeing the review of field and laboratory data. Additional responsibilities include the following:

- Assure the application and effectiveness of the QAPP by the analytical laboratory and the project staff;
- Provide input to the Project Manager as to corrective actions that may be required as a result of the above-mentioned evaluations; and,
- Prepare and/or review data validation and audit reports.

The QA Officer will be assisted by the Data Validation staff in the evaluation and validation of field and laboratory generated data.

#### **2.2.2 Data Validation Staff**

The Data Validation Staff will be independent of the laboratory and familiar with the analytical procedures performed. The validation will include a review of each validation criterion as prescribed by the guidelines presented in Section 9.2 of this document and be presented in a Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR) for submittal to the QA Officer.

## **2.3 LABORATORY RESPONSIBILITIES**

Laboratory services in support of the RIWP/IRMWP monitoring include the following personnel:

### **2.3.1 Laboratory Project Manager**

The Laboratory Project Manager will report directly to the QA Officer and Project Manager and will be responsible for ensuring all resources of the laboratory are available on an as-required basis. The Laboratory Project Manager will also be responsible for the approval of the final analytical reports.

### **2.3.2 Laboratory Operations Manager**

The Laboratory Operations Manager will report to the Laboratory Project Manager and will be responsible for coordinating laboratory analysis, supervising in-house chain-of-custody reports, scheduling sample analyses, overseeing data review and overseeing preparation of analytical reports.

### **2.3.3 Laboratory QA Officer**

The Laboratory QA Officer will have sole responsibility for review and validation of the analytical laboratory data. The Laboratory QA Officer will provide Case Narrative descriptions of any data quality issues encountered during the analyses conducted by the laboratory. The QA Officer will also define appropriate QA procedures, overseeing QA/QC documentation.

### **2.3.4 Laboratory Sample Custodian**

The Laboratory Sample Custodian will report to the Laboratory Operations Manager and will be responsible for the following:

- Receive and inspect the incoming sample containers;
- Record the condition of the incoming sample containers;
- Sign appropriate documents;
- Verify chain-of-custody and its correctness;
- Notify the Project Manager and Operations Manager of sample receipt and inspection;
- Assign a unique identification number and enter each into the sample receiving log;
- Initiate transfer of samples to laboratory analytical sections; and,
- Control and monitor access/storage of samples and extracts.

### **2.3.5 Laboratory Technical Personnel**

The Laboratory Technical Personnel will have the primary responsibility in the performance of sample analysis and the execution of the QA procedures developed to determine the data quality. These activities will include the proper preparation and analysis of the project samples in accordance with the laboratory's Quality Assurance Manual (QAM) and associated Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).

## **2.4 FIELD RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **2.4.1 Field Coordinator**

The Field Coordinator is responsible for the overall operation of the field team and reports directly to the Project Manager. The Field Coordinator works with the project Health & Safety Officer (HSO) to conduct operations in compliance with the project Health & Safety Plan (HASP). The Field Coordinator will facilitate communication and coordinate efforts between the Project Manager and the field team members.

Other responsibilities include the following:

- Develop and implement field-related work plans, ensuring schedule compliance, and adhering to management-developed project requirements;
- Coordinate and manage field staff;
- Perform field system audits;
- Oversee QC for technical data provided by the field staff;
- Prepare and approve text and graphics required for field team efforts;
- Coordinate and oversee technical efforts of subcontractors assisting the field team;
- Identify problems in the field; resolve difficulties in consultation with the Project QAO, and Project Manager; implement and document corrective action procedures; and,
- Participate in preparation of the final reports.

### **2.4.2 Field Team Personnel**

Field Team Personnel will be responsible for the following:

- Perform field activities as detailed in the RIWP/IRMWP and in compliance with the Field Sampling Plan (FSP) and QAPP.
- Immediately report any accidents and/or unsafe conditions to the Site HSO and take reasonable precautions to prevent injury.

### 3. Sampling Procedures

The FSP provides the SOPs for sampling required by the RIWP. Sampling will be conducted in general accordance with the NYSDEC Technical Guidance for Site Investigation and Remediation (DER-10) and the Sampling, Analysis and Assessment of PFAS under NYSDEC Part 375 Remedial Program when applicable.

#### 3.1 SAMPLE CONTAINERS

Sample containers for each sampling task will be provided by the laboratory performing the analysis. The containers will be cleaned by the manufacturer to meet or exceed the analyte specifications established in the USEPA, “Specifications and Guidance for Obtaining Contaminant-Free Sample Containers”, April 1992, OSWER Directive #9240.0-0.5A. Certificates of analysis for each lot of sample containers used will be maintained by the laboratory.

The appropriate sample containers, preservation method, maximum holding times, and handling requirements for each sampling task are provided in Table I.

#### 3.2 SAMPLE LABELING

Each sample will be labeled with a unique sample identifier that will facilitate tracking and cross-referencing of sample information. Equipment rinse blank and field duplicate samples also will be numbered with a unique sample identifier to prevent analytical bias of field QC samples.

Refer to the FSP for the sample labeling procedures.

#### 3.3 FIELD QC SAMPLE COLLECTION

##### 3.3.1 Field Duplicate Sample Collection

###### 3.3.1.1 *Water Samples*

Field duplicate samples will be collected by filling the first sample container to the proper level and sealing and then repeated for the second set of sample container.

1. The samples are properly labeled as specified in Section 3.2.
2. Steps 1 through 4 are repeated for the bottles for each analysis. The samples are collected in order of decreasing analyte volatility as detailed in Section 3.3.1.
3. Chain-of-custody documents are executed.
4. The samples will be handled as specified in Table I.

###### 3.3.1.2 *Soil Samples*

Soil field duplicates will be collected as specified in the following procedure:

1. Soils will be sampling directly from acetate liners.

2. Soil for VOC analysis will be removed from the sampling device as specified in the FSP.
3. Soil for non-VOC analysis will be removed from the sampling device and collected into clean laboratory provided containers.

## 4. Custody Procedures

Sample custody is addressed in three parts: field sample collection, laboratory analysis and final project files. Custody of a sample begins when it is collected by or transferred to an individual and ends when that individual relinquishes or disposes of the sample.

A sample is under custody if:

1. The item is in actual possession of a person;
2. The item is in the view of the person after being in actual possession of the person;
3. The item was in actual possession and subsequently stored to prevent tampering; or
4. The item is in a designated and identified secure area.

### 4.1 FIELD CUSTODY PROCEDURES

Field personnel will keep written records of field activities on applicable preprinted field forms or in a bound field notebook to record data collecting activities. These records will be written legibly in ink and will contain pertinent field data and observations. Entry errors or changes will be crossed out with a single line, dated, and initialed by the person making the correction. Field forms and notebooks will be periodically reviewed by the Field Coordinator.

The beginning of each entry in the logbook or preprinted field form will contain the following information:

- Date;
- Start time;
- Weather;
- Names of field personnel (including subcontractors);
- Level of personal protection used at the Site; and,
- Names of all visitors and the purpose of their visit.

For each measurement and sample collected, the following information will be recorded:

- Detailed description of sample location;
- Equipment used to collect sample or make measurement and the date equipment was calibrated;
- Time sample was collected;
- Description of the sample conditions;
- Depth sample was collected (if applicable);
- Volume and number of containers filled with the sample; and,
- Sampler's identification.

#### 4.1.1 Field Procedures

The following procedure describes the process to maintain the integrity of the samples:

- Upon collection samples are placed in the proper containers. In general, samples collected for organic analysis will be placed in pre-cleaned glass containers and samples collected for inorganic analysis will be placed in pre-cleaned plastic (polyethylene) bottles. Refer to the FSP for sample packaging procedures.
- Samples will be assigned a unique sample number and will be affixed to a sample label. Refer to the FSP for sample labeling procedures.
- Samples will be properly and appropriately preserved by field personnel in order to minimize loss of the constituent(s) of interest due to physical, chemical or biological mechanisms.
- Appropriate volumes will be collected to ensure that the appropriate reporting limits can be successfully achieved and that the required QC sample analyses can be performed.

#### 4.1.2 Transfer of Custody and Shipment Procedures

- A chain-of-custody (COC) record will be completed at the time of sample collection and will accompany each shipment of project samples to the laboratory. The field personnel collecting the samples will be responsible for the custody of the samples until the samples are relinquished to the laboratory. Sample transfer will require the individuals relinquishing and receiving the samples to sign, date and note the time of sample transfer on the COC record.
- Samples will be shipped or delivered in a timely fashion to the laboratory so that holding times and/or analysis times as prescribed by the methodology can be met.
- Samples will be transported in containers (coolers) which will maintain the refrigeration temperature for those parameters for which refrigeration is required in the prescribed preservation protocols.
- Samples will be placed in an upright position and limited to one layer of samples per cooler. Additional bubble wrap or packaging material will be added to fill the cooler. Shipping containers will be secured with strapping tape and custody tape for shipment to the laboratory.
- When samples are split with the NYSDEC representatives, a separate chain-of-custody will be prepared and marked to indicate with whom the samples are shared. The person relinquishing the samples will require the representative's signature acknowledging sample receipt.
- If samples are sent by a commercial carrier, a bill of lading will be used. A copy of the bill of lading will be retained as part of the permanent record. Commercial carriers will not sign the custody record as long as the custody record is sealed inside the sample cooler and the custody tape remains intact.
- Samples will be picked up by a laboratory courier or transported to the laboratory the same day they are collected unless collected on a weekend or holiday. In these cases, the samples will be

stored in a secure location until delivery to the laboratory. Additional ice will be added to the cooler as needed to maintain proper preservation temperatures.

#### **4.2 LABORATORY CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY PROCEDURES**

A sample custodian will be designated by the laboratory and will have the responsibility to receive all incoming samples. Once received, the custodian will document if the sample is received in good condition (i.e., unbroken, cooled, etc.) and that the associated paperwork, such as chain-of-custody forms have been completed. The custodian will sign the chain-of-custody forms.

The custodian will also document if sufficient sample volume has been received to complete the analytical program. The sample custodian will then place the samples into secure, limited access storage (refrigerated storage, if required). The sample custodian will assign a unique number to each incoming sample for use in the laboratory. The unique number will then be entered into the sample-receiving log with the verified time and date of receipt also noted.

Consistent with the analyses requested on the chain-of-custody form, analyses by the laboratory's analysts will begin in accordance with the appropriate methodologies. Samples will be removed from secure storage with internal chain-of-custody sign-out procedures followed.

#### **4.3 STORAGE OF SAMPLES**

Empty sample bottles will be returned to secure and limited access storage after the available volume has been consumed by the analysis. Upon completion of the entire analytical work effort, samples will be disposed of by the sample custodian. The length of time that samples are held will be at least thirty (30) days after reports have been submitted. Disposal of remaining samples will be completed in compliance with all Federal, State and local requirements.

#### **4.4 FINAL PROJECT FILES CUSTODY PROCEDURES**

The final project files will be the central repository for all documents with information relevant to sampling and analysis activities as described in this QAPP. The Haley & Aldrich Project Manager will be the custodian of the project file. The project files including all relevant records, reports, logs, field notebooks, pictures, subcontractor reports and data reviews will be maintained in a secured, limited access area and under custody of the Project Director or his designee.

The final project file will include the following:

- Project plans and drawings;
- Field data records;
- Sample identification documents and soil boring/monitoring well logs;
- All chain-of-custody documentation;
- Correspondence;
- References, literature;
- Laboratory data deliverables;
- Data validation and assessment reports;
- Progress reports, QA reports; and,
- A final report.

The laboratory will be responsible for maintaining analytical logbooks, laboratory data and sample chain of custody documents. Raw laboratory data files and copies of hard copy reports will be inventoried and maintained by the laboratory for a period of six years at which time the laboratory will contact the Haley & Aldrich Project Manager regarding the disposition of the project related files.

## **5. Calibration Procedures and Frequency**

### **5.1 FIELD INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION PROCEDURES**

Several field instruments will be used for both on-site screening of samples and for health and safety monitoring, as described in the HASP. On-site air monitoring for health and safety purposes may be accomplished using a vapor detection device, such as a Photo-ionization Detector (PID).

Field instruments will be calibrated at the beginning of each day and checked during field activities to verify performance. Instrument specific calibration procedures will be performed in accordance with the instrument manufacturer's requirements.

### **5.2 LABORATORY INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION PROCEDURES**

Reference materials of known purity and quality will be utilized for the analysis of environmental samples. The laboratory will carefully monitor the preparation and use of reference materials including solutions, standards, and reagents through well-documented procedures.

All solid chemicals and acids/bases used by the laboratory will be rated as "reagent grade" or better. All gases will be "high" purity or better. All Standard Reference Materials (SRMs) or Performance Evaluation (PE) materials will be obtained from approved vendors of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (formerly National Bureau of Standards), the U.S. EPA Environmental Monitoring Support Laboratories (EMSL), or reliable Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) certified commercial sources.

## 6. Analytical Procedures

Analytical procedures to be utilized for analysis of environmental samples will be based on referenced USEPA analytical protocols and/or project specific SOP.

### 6.1 FIELD ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES

Field analytical procedures include the measurement of pH, temperature, ORP, DO and specific conductivity during sampling of groundwater, and the qualitative measurement of VOC during the collection of soil samples.

### 6.2 LABORATORY ANALYTICAL PROCEDURES

Laboratory analyses will be based on the USEPA methodology requirements promulgated in:

- "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste," SW-846 EPA, Office of Solid Waste, and promulgated updates, 1986.

#### 6.2.1 List of Project Target Compounds and Laboratory Detection Limits

The laboratory reporting limits (RLs) and associated method detection limits (MDLs) for the target analytes and compounds for the environmental media to be analyzed are presented in Table I. MDLs have been experimentally determined by the project laboratory using the method provided in 40 CFR, Part 136 Appendix B.

Laboratory parameters for soil samples are listed in the RIWP. Laboratory parameters for disposal samples will be determined by the disposal facility after an approved facility has been determined.

#### 6.2.2 List of Method Specific Quality Control Criteria

The laboratory SOPs include a section that presents the minimum QC requirements for the project analyses. Section 7.0 references the frequency of the associated QC samples for each sampling effort and matrix.

## 7. Internal Quality Control Checks

This section presents the internal QC checks that will be employed for field and laboratory measurements.

### 7.1 FIELD QUALITY CONTROL

#### 7.1.1 Field Blanks

Internal QC checks will include analysis of field blanks to validate equipment cleanliness. Whenever possible, dedicated equipment will be employed to reduce the possibility of cross-contamination of samples.

#### 7.1.2 Trip Blanks

Trip blanks samples will be prepared by the project laboratory using ASTM Type II or equivalent water placed within pre-cleaned 40 milliliter (ml) VOC vials equipped with Teflon septa. Trip blanks will accompany each sample delivery group (SDG) of environmental samples collected for analysis of VOCs.

Trip blank samples will be placed in each cooler that stores and transports project samples that are to be analyzed for VOCs.

### 7.2 LABORATORY PROCEDURES

Procedures which contribute to maintenance of overall laboratory quality assurance and control include appropriately cleaned sample containers, proper sample identification and logging, applicable sample preservation, storage, and analysis within prescribed holding times, and use of controlled materials.

#### 7.2.1 Field Duplicate Samples

The precision or reproducibility of the data generated will be monitored through the use of field duplicate samples. Field duplicate analysis will be performed at a frequency of 1 in 20 project samples.

Precision will be measured in terms of the absolute value of the relative percent difference (RPD) as expressed by the following equation:

$$RPD = \frac{D^1 - D^2}{(D^1 + D^2)/2} \times 100$$

Acceptance criteria for duplicate analyses performed on solid matrices will be 100% and aqueous matrices will be 35%. RPD values outside these limits will require an evaluation of the sampling and/or analysis procedures by the project QA Officer and/or laboratory QA Director. Corrective actions may include re-analysis of additional sample aliquots and/or qualification of the data for use.

### 7.2.2 Matrix Spike Samples

Ten percent of each project sample matrix for each analytical method performed will be spiked with known concentrations of the specific target compounds/analytes.

The amount of the compound recovered from the sample compared to the amount added will be expressed as a percent recovery. The percent recovery of an analyte is an indication of the accuracy of an analysis within the site-specific sample matrix. Percent recovery will be calculated for matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) samples using the following equation.

$$\% REC = \frac{SSR - SR^1}{SA} \times 100$$

If the QC value falls outside the control limits (UCL or LCL) due to sample matrix effects, the results will be reported with appropriate data qualifiers. To determine the effect a non-compliant MS recovery has on the reported results, the recovery data will be evaluated as part of the validation process.

### 7.2.3 Laboratory Control Sample Analyses

The laboratory will perform Laboratory Control Sample (LCS) analyses prepared from SRMs. The SRMs will be supplied from an independent manufacturer and traceable to NIST materials with known concentrations of each target analyte to be determined by the analytical methods performed. In cases where an independently supplied SRM is not available, the LCS may be prepared by the laboratory from a reagent lot other than that used for instrument calibration.

The laboratory will evaluate LCS analyses in terms of percent recovery using the most recent laboratory generated control limits.

LCS recoveries that do not meet acceptance criteria will be deemed invalid. Analysis of project samples will cease until an acceptable LCS analysis has been performed. If sample analysis is performed in association with an out-of-control LCS sample analysis, the data will be deemed invalid.

Corrective actions will be initiated by the Haley & Aldrich QA Officer and/or Laboratory QA Officer to investigate the problem. After the problem has been identified and corrected, the solution will be noted in the instrument run logbook and re-analysis of project samples will be performed, if possible.

The analytical anomaly will be noted in the sample delivery group (SDG) Case Narrative and reviewed by the data validator. The data validator will confirm that appropriate corrective actions were implemented and recommend the applicable use of the affected data.

### 7.2.4 Surrogate Compound/Internal Standard Recoveries

For VOCs, surrogates will be added to each sample prior to analysis to establish purge and trap efficiency. Quantitation will be accomplished via internal standardization techniques.

The recovery of surrogate compounds and internal standards will be monitored by laboratory personnel to assess possible site-specific matrix effects on instrument performance.

For SVOC analyses, surrogates will be added to the raw sample to assess extraction efficiency. Internal standards will be added to all sample extracts and instrument calibration standard immediately before analysis for quantitation via internal standardization techniques.

Method specific QC limits are provided in the attached laboratory method SOPs. Surrogate compound/internal standard recoveries that do not fall within accepted QC limits for the analytical methodology performed will have the analytical results flagged with data qualifiers as appropriate by the laboratory and will not be noted in the laboratory report Case Narrative.

To ascertain the effect non-compliant surrogate compound/internal standard recoveries may have on the reported results, the recovery data will be evaluated as part of the validation process. The data validator will provide recommendations for corrective actions including but not limited to additional data qualification.

### **7.2.5 Calibration Verification Standards**

Calibration verification (CV) standards will be utilized to confirm instrument calibrations and performance throughout the analytical process. CV standards will be prepared as prescribed by the respective analytical protocols. Continuing calibration will be verified by compliance with method-specific criteria prior to additional analysis of project samples.

Non-compliant analysis of CV standards will require immediate corrective action by the project laboratory QA officer and/or designated personnel. Corrective action may include re-analysis of each affected project sample, a detailed description of the problem, the corrective action undertaken, the person who performed the action, and the resolution of the problem.

### **7.2.6 Laboratory Method Blank Analyses**

Method blank sample analysis will be performed as part of each analytical batch for each methodology performed. If target compounds are detected in the method blank samples, the reported results will be flagged by the laboratory in accordance with standard operating procedures. The data validator will provide recommendations for corrective actions including but not limited to additional data qualification.

## **8. Data Quality Objectives**

Sampling that will be performed as described in the RIWP/IRMWP is designed to produce data of the quality necessary to achieve the minimum standard requirements of the field and laboratory analytical objectives described below. These data are being obtained with the primary objective to assess levels of contaminants of concern associated with the Site.

The overall project data quality objective (DQO) is to implement procedures for field data collection, sample collection, handling, and laboratory analysis and reporting that achieve the project objectives. The following section is a general discussion of the criteria that will be used to measure achievement of the project DQO.

### **8.1 PRECISION**

#### **8.1.1 Definition**

Precision is defined as a quantitative measure of the degree to which two or more measurements are in agreement. Precision will be determined by collecting and analyzing field duplicate samples and by creating and analyzing laboratory duplicates from one or more of the field samples. The overall precision of measurement data is a mixture of sampling and analytical factors. The analytical results from the field duplicate samples will provide data on sampling precision. The results from duplicate samples created by the laboratory will provide data on analytical precision. The measurement of precision will be stated in terms of RPD.

#### **8.1.2 Field Precision Sample Objectives**

Field precision will be assessed through collection and measurement of field duplicate samples at a rate of 1 duplicate per 20 investigative samples. The RPD criteria for the project field duplicate samples will be +/- 100% for soil, +/- 35 % for groundwater for parameters of analysis detected at concentrations greater than 5 times (5X) the laboratory RL.

#### **8.1.3 Laboratory Precision Sample Objectives**

Laboratory precision will be assessed through the analysis of LCS and laboratory control duplicate samples (LCS/LCSD) and MS/MSD samples for groundwater and soil samples and the analysis of laboratory duplicate samples for air and soil vapor samples. Air and soil vapor laboratory duplicate sample analyses will be performed by analyzing the same SUMMA canister twice. The RPD criteria for the air/soil vapor laboratory duplicate samples will be +/- 35 % for parameters of analysis detected at concentrations greater than 5 times (5X) the laboratory RL.

### **8.2 ACCURACY**

#### **8.2.1 Definition**

Accuracy relates to the bias in a measurement system. Bias is the difference between the observed and the "true" value. Sources of error are the sampling process, field contamination, preservation techniques, sample handling, sample matrix, sample preparation and analytical procedure limitations.

### **8.2.2 Field Accuracy Objectives**

Sampling bias will be assessed by evaluating the results of field equipment rinse and trip blanks. Equipment rinse and trip blanks will be collected as appropriate based on sampling and analytical methods for each sampling effort.

If non-dedicated sampling equipment is used, equipment rinse blanks will be collected by passing ASTM Type II water over and/or through the respective sampling equipment utilized during each sampling effort. One equipment rinse blank will be collected for each type of non-dedicated sampling equipment used for the sampling effort. Equipment rinse blanks will be analyzed for each target parameter for the respective sampling effort for which environmental media have been collected. (Note: If dedicated or disposable sampling equipment is used, equipment rinse samples will not be collected as part of that field effort.)

Trip blank samples will be prepared by the laboratory and provided with each shipping container that includes containers for the collection of groundwater samples for the analysis of VOC. Trip blank samples will be analyzed for each VOC for which groundwater samples have been collected for analysis.

### **8.3 LABORATORY ACCURACY OBJECTIVES**

Analytical bias will be assessed through the use of laboratory control samples (LCS) and Site-specific matrix spike (MS) sample analyses. LCS analyses will be performed with each analytical batch of project samples to determine the accuracy of the analytical system.

One set of MS/MSD analyses will be performed with each batch of 20 project samples collected for analysis to assess the accuracy of the identification and quantification of analytes within the Site-specific sample matrices. Additional sample volume will be collected at sample locations selected for the preparation of MS/MSD samples so that the standard laboratory RLs are achieved.

The accuracy of analyses that include a sample extraction procedure will be evaluated through the use of system monitoring or surrogate compounds. Surrogate compounds will be added to each sample, standard, blank, and QC sample prior to sample preparation and analysis. Surrogate compound percent recoveries will provide information on the effect of the sample matrix on the accuracy of the analyses.

## **8.4 REPRESENTATIVENESS**

### **8.4.1 Definition**

Representativeness expresses the degree to which sample data represent a characteristic of a population, a parameter variation at a sampling point or an environmental condition. Representativeness is a qualitative parameter that is dependent upon the design of the sampling program. The representativeness criterion is satisfied through the proper selection of sampling locations, the quantity of samples and the use of appropriate procedures to collect and analyze the samples.

### **8.4.2 Measures to Ensure Representativeness of Field Data**

Representativeness will be addressed by prescribing sampling techniques and the rationale used to select sampling locations. Sampling locations may be biased (based on existing data, instrument surveys, observations, etc.) or unbiased (completely random or stratified-random approaches).

## **8.5 COMPLETENESS**

### **8.5.1 Definition**

Completeness is a measure of the amount of valid (usable) data obtained from a measuring system compared to the total amount of the anticipated to be obtained. The completeness goal for all data uses is that a sufficient amount of valid data be generated so that determinations can be made related to the intended data use with a sufficient degree of confidence.

### **8.5.2 Field Completeness Objectives**

Completeness is a measure of the amount of valid measurements obtained from measurements taken in this project versus the number planned. Field completeness objective for this project will be greater than (>) 90%.

### **8.5.3 Laboratory Completeness Objectives**

Laboratory data completeness objective is a measure of the amount of valid data obtained from laboratory measurements. The evaluation of the data completeness will be performed at the conclusion of each sampling and analysis effort.

The completeness of the data generated will be determined by comparing the amount of valid data, based on independent validation, with the total laboratory data set. The completeness goal will be >90%.

## **8.6 COMPARABILITY**

### **8.6.1 Definition**

Comparability is a qualitative parameter expressing the confidence with which one data set can be compared to another.

### 8.6.2 Measures to Ensure Comparability of Laboratory Data

Comparability of laboratory data will be measured from the analysis of SRM obtained from either EPA Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) suppliers or the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). The reported analytical data will also be presented in standard units of mass of contaminant within a known volume of environmental media. The standard units for various sample matrices are as follows:

- Solid Matrices – mg/kg of media (Dry Weight).
- Aqueous Matrices – ng/L for PFAS analyses, ug/L of media for organic analyses, and mg/L for inorganic analyses.

### 8.7 LEVEL OF QUALITY CONTROL EFFORT

If non-dedicated sampling equipment is used, equipment rinse blanks will be prepared by field personnel and submitted for analysis of target parameters. Equipment rinse blank samples will be analyzed to check for potential cross-contamination between sampling locations that may be introduced during the investigation. One equipment rinse blank will be collected per sampling event to the extent that non-dedicated sampling equipment is used.

If necessary, A separate equipment rinse blank sample will be collected for PFAS using the sample collection procedure described in Section 8.1.1 of the NYSDEC-approved Avangrid Field Sampling Plan. (Note: If dedicated or disposable sampling equipment is used, equipment rinse samples will not be collected as part of that field effort.)

Trip blanks will be used to assess the potential for contamination during sample storage and shipment. Trip blanks will be provided with the sample containers to be used for the collection of groundwater samples for the analysis of VOC. Trip blanks will be preserved and handled in the same manner as the project samples. One trip blank will be included along with each shipping container containing project samples to be analyzed for VOC.

Method blank samples will be prepared by the laboratory and analyzed concurrently with all project samples to assess potential contamination introduced during the analytical process.

Field duplicate samples will be collected and analyzed to determine sampling and analytical reproducibility. One field duplicate will be collected for every 20 or fewer investigative samples collected for off-Site laboratory analysis.

Matrix spikes will provide information to assess the precision and accuracy of the analysis of the target parameters within the environmental media collected. One MS/MSD will be collected for every 20 or fewer investigative samples per sample matrix.

(Note: Soil MS/MSD samples require triple sample volume for VOC only. Aqueous MS/MSD samples require triple the normal sample volume for VOC analysis and double the volume for the remaining parameters.)

## 9. Data Reduction, Validation and Reporting

Data generated by the laboratory operation will be reduced and validated prior to reporting in accordance with the following procedures:

### 9.1 DATA REDUCTION

#### 9.1.1 Field Data Reduction Procedures

Field data reduction procedures will be minimal in scope compared to those implemented in the laboratory setting. The pH, conductivity, temperature, turbidity, DO, ORP and breathing zone VOC readings collected in the field will be generated from direct read instruments. The data will be written into field logbooks immediately after measurements are taken. If errors are made, data will be legibly crossed out, initialed and dated by the field member, and corrected in a space adjacent to the original entry.

#### 9.1.2 Laboratory Data Reduction Procedures

Laboratory data reduction procedures are provided by the appropriate chapter of USEPA, "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste", SW-846, Third Edition. Errors will be noted; corrections made with the original notations crossed out legibly. Analytical results for soil samples will be calculated and reported on a dry weight basis.

#### 9.1.3 Quality Control Data

QC data (e.g., laboratory duplicates, surrogates, matrix spikes, and matrix spike duplicates) will be compared to the method acceptance criteria. Data determined to be acceptable will be entered into the laboratory information management system.

Unacceptable data will be appropriately qualified in the project report. Case narratives will be prepared which will include information concerning data that fell outside acceptance limits and any other anomalous conditions encountered during sample analysis.

### 9.2 DATA VALIDATION

Data validation procedures of the analytical data will be performed by the Haley & Aldrich QA Officer or designee using the following documents as guidance for the review process:

- "U.S. EPA National Functional Guidelines for Organic Data Review", and the "U.S. EPA National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Data Review".
- The specific data qualifiers used will be applied to the reported results as presented and defined in the EPA National Functional Guidelines. Validation will be performed by qualified personnel at the direction of the Haley & Aldrich QAO. Tier 1 data validation (the equivalent of USEPA's Stage 2A validation) will be performed to evaluate data quality.

- The completeness of each data package will be evaluated by the Data Validator. Completeness checks will be administered on all data to determine that the deliverables are consistent with the NYSDEC ASP Category A and Category B data package requirements. The validator will determine whether the required items are present and request copies of missing deliverables (if necessary) from the laboratory.

### 9.3 DATA REPORTING

Data reporting procedures will be carried out for field and laboratory operations as indicated below:

- **Field Data Reporting:** Field data reporting will be conducted principally through the transmission of report sheets containing tabulated results of measurements made in the field and documentation of field calibration activities.
- **Laboratory Data Reporting:** The laboratory data reporting package will enable data validation based on the protocols described above. The final laboratory data report format will include the QA/QC sample analysis deliverables to enable the development of a data usability summary report (DUSR) based on Department DER-10 Appendix 2B.

## 10. Performance and System Audits

A performance audit is an independent quantitative comparison with data routinely obtained in the field or the laboratory. Performance audits include two separate, independent parts: internal and external audits.

### 10.1 FIELD PERFORMANCE AND SYSTEM AUDITS

#### 10.1.1 Internal Field Audit Responsibilities

Internal audits of field activities will be initiated at the discretion of the Project Manager and will include the review of sampling and field measurements. The audits will verify that all procedures are being followed. Internal field audits will be conducted periodically during the project. The audits will include examination of the following:

- Field sampling records, screening results, instrument operating records;
- Sample collection;
- Handling and packaging in compliance with procedures;
- Maintenance of QA procedures; and,
- Chain-of-custody reports.

#### 10.1.2 External Field Audit Responsibilities

External audits may be conducted by the Project Coordinator at any time during the field operations. These audits may or may not be announced and are at the discretion of the NYSDEC. The external field audits can include (but are not limited to) the following:

- Sampling equipment decontamination procedures;
- Sample bottle preparation procedures;
- Sampling procedures;
- Examination of health and safety plans;
- Procedures for verification of field duplicates; and,
- Field screening practices.

### 10.2 LABORATORY PERFORMANCE AND SYSTEM AUDITS

#### 10.2.1 Internal Laboratory Audit Responsibilities

The laboratory system audits are typically conducted by the laboratory QA Officer or designee on an annual basis. The system audit will include an examination of laboratory documentation including sample receiving logs, sample storage, chain-of-custody procedures, sample preparation and analysis and instrument operating records.

At the conclusion of internal system audits, reports will be provided to the laboratory's operating divisions for appropriate comment and remedial/corrective action where necessary. Records of audits and corrective actions will be maintained by the Laboratory QA Officer.

### 10.2.2 External Laboratory Audit Responsibilities

External audits will be conducted as required, by the NYSDOH or designee. External audits may include any of the following:

- Review of laboratory analytical procedures;
- Laboratory on-site visits; and,
- Submission of performance evaluation samples for analysis.

Failure of any of the above audit procedures can lead to laboratory de-certification. An audit may consist of but not limited to:

- Sample receipt procedures;
- Custody, sample security and log-in procedures;
- Review of instrument calibration logs;
- Review of QA procedures;
- Review of log books;
- Review of analytical SOPs; and,
- Personnel interviews.

A review of a data package from samples recently analyzed by the laboratory can include (but not be limited to) the following:

- Comparison of resulting data to the SOP or method;
- Verification of initial and continuing calibrations within control limits;
- Verification of surrogate recoveries and instrument timing results;
- Review of extended quantitation reports for comparisons of library spectra to instrument spectra, where applicable; and,
- Assurance that samples are run within holding times.

## **11. Preventive Maintenance**

### **11.1 FIELD INSTRUMENT PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE**

The field equipment preventive maintenance program is designed to ensure the effective completion of the sampling effort and to minimize equipment down time. Program implementation is concentrated in three areas:

- Maintenance responsibilities;
- Maintenance schedules; and,
- Inventory of critical spare parts and equipment.

The maintenance responsibilities for field equipment will be assigned to the task leaders in charge of specific field operations. Field personnel will be responsible for daily field checks and calibrations and for reporting any problems with the equipment. The maintenance schedule will follow the manufacturer's recommendations. In addition, the field personnel will be responsible for determining that an inventory of spare parts will be maintained with the field equipment. The inventory will primarily contain parts that are subject to frequent failure, have limited useful lifetimes and/or cannot be obtained in a timely manner.

### **11.2 LABORATORY INSTRUMENT PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE**

Analytical instruments at the laboratory will undergo routine and/or preventive maintenance. The extent of the preventive maintenance will be a function of the complexity of the equipment.

Generally, annual preventive maintenance service will involve cleaning, adjusting, inspecting and testing procedures designed to deduce instrument failure and/or extend useful instrument life. Between visits, routine operator maintenance and cleaning will be performed according to manufacturer's specifications by laboratory personnel.

## 12. Specific Routine Procedures Used to Assess Data Precision, Accuracy, and Completeness

### 12.1 FIELD MEASUREMENTS

Field generated information will be reviewed by the Field Coordinator and typically include evaluation of bound logbooks/forms, data entry and calculation checks. Field data will be assessed by the Project Coordinator who will review the field results for compliance with the established QC criteria that are specified in Section 7.0 of this QAPP. The accuracy of pH and specific conductance will be assessed using daily instrument calibration, calibration check, and blank data. Accuracy will be measured by determining the percent recovery (% R) of calibration check standards. Precision of the pH and specific conductance measurements will be assessed on the basis of the reproducibility of duplicate readings of a field sample and will be measured by determining the RPD. Accuracy and precision of the soil VOC screening will be determined using duplicate readings of calibration checks. Field data completeness will be calculated using the following equation:

$$\text{Completeness} = \frac{\text{Valid (usable) Data Obtained}}{\text{Total Data Planned}} \times 100$$

### 12.2 LABORATORY DATA

Surrogate, internal standard and matrix spike recoveries will be used to evaluate data quality. The laboratory QA/QC program will include the following elements:

- Precision, in terms of RPD, will be determined by relative sample analysis at a frequency of one duplicate analysis for each batch of ten project samples or a frequency of 10%. RPD is defined as the absolute difference of duplicate measurements divided by the mean of these analyses normalized to percentage.
- Accuracy, in terms of percent recovery (recovery of known constituent additions or surrogate recoveries), will be determined by the analysis of spiked and unspiked samples. MS/MSD will be used to determine analytical accuracy. The frequency of MS/MSD analyses will be one project sample MS/MSD per set of 20 project samples.
- One method blank will be prepared and analyzed with each batch of project samples. The total number of method blank sample analyses will be determined by the laboratory analytical batch size.
- SRMs will be used for each analysis. Sources of SRM's include the U.S. EPA, commercially available material from CRADA certified vendors and/or laboratory produced solutions. SRMs, when available and appropriate, will be processed and analyzed on a frequency of one per set of samples.
- Completeness is the evaluation of the amount of valid data generated versus the total set of data produced from a particular sampling and analysis event. Valid data is determined by independent confirmation of compliance with method-specific and project-specific data quality

objectives. The calculation of data set completeness will be performed by the following equation.

$$\frac{\text{Number of Valid Sample Results}}{\text{Total Number of Samples Planned}} \times 100 = \% \text{ Complete}$$

### **13. Quality Assurance Reports**

Critically important to the successful implementation of the QA Plan is a reporting system that provides the means by which the program can be reviewed, problems identified, and programmatic changes made to improve the plan.

QA reports to management can include:

- Audit reports, internal and external audits with responses;
- Performance evaluation sample results; internal and external sources; and,
- Daily QA/QC exception reports/corrective actions.

QA/QC corrective action reports will be prepared by the Haley & Aldrich QA Officer when appropriate and presented to the project and/or laboratory management personnel so that performance criteria can be monitored for all analyses from each analytical department. The updated trend/QA charts prepared by the laboratory QA personnel will be distributed and reviewed by various levels of the laboratory management.

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**SUMMARY OF ANALYSIS METHOD, PRESERVATION METHOD, HOLDING TIME, SAMPLE SIZE REQUIREMENTS AND SAMPLE CONTAINERS**  
 1885 Atlantic Avenue  
 Brooklyn, NY

Analysis/Method	Sample Type	Preservation	Holding Time	Volume/Weight	Container
Volatile Organic Compounds/8260C	Soil	1 - 1 Vial MeOH/2 Vial Water, Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	14 days <sup>1</sup>	120 mL	3 - 40ml glass vials
Semivolatile Organic Compounds/8270D	Soil	Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	14 days	250 mL	1 - 8 oz Glass
Polychlorinated Biphenyls/8082A	Soil	Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	14 days	250 mL	1 - 8 oz Glass
Metals/6010D	Soil	Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	180 days	60 mL	1 - 2 oz Glass
PFAS 537	Soil	Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	14 days	250 mL	1 - 8 oz Glass
1,4-Dioxane 8270	Soil	Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	14 days	250 mL	1 - 8 oz Glass
Volatile Organic Compounds/8260C	Groundwater	HCl, Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	14 days	120 mL	3 - 40ml glass vials
Semivolatile Organic Compounds/8270D	Groundwater	Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	7 days	500 mL	2 - 250 mL amber glass
TAL Metals 6020	Groundwater	HNO <sub>3</sub> Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	180 days	500 mL	1 - 500 mL plastic bottle
PFAS 537	Groundwater	H <sub>2</sub> O Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	14 days	500 mL	2 - teflon free 250 ml plastic containers
1,4-Dioxane 8270	Groundwater	Cool, 4 ± 2 °C	7 days	500 mL	1 - 500 mL plastic bottle
Volatile Organic Compounds/TO-15	Soil Vapor	N/A	30 days	2.7 - 6 L	1 2.7 or 6 L Summa Canister

**Notes:**

1. Terracores and encores must be frozen within 48 hours of collection
2. Refer to text for additional information.

## **APPENDIX E**

### **NYSDEC Emerging Contaminant Field Sampling Guidance**



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# SAMPLING, ANALYSIS, AND ASSESSMENT OF PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES (PFAS)

Under NYSDEC's Part 375 Remedial Programs

January 2021



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ERRATA SHEET for

*SAMPLING, ANALYSIS, AND ASSESSMENT OF PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES (PFAS) Under NYSDEC’s Part 375 Remedial Programs Issued January 17, 2020*

Citation and Page Number	Current Text	Corrected Text	Date
Title of Appendix I, page 32	Appendix H	Appendix I	2/25/2020
Document Cover, page 1	Guidelines for Sampling and Analysis of PFAS	Sampling, Analysis, and Assessment of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Under NYSDEC’s Part 375 Remedial Programs	9/15/2020
Routine Analysis, page 9	“However, laboratories analyzing environmental samples...PFOA and PFOS in drinking water by EPA Method 537, 537.1 or ISO 25101.”	“However, laboratories analyzing environmental samples...PFOA and PFOS in drinking water by EPA Method 537, 537.1, ISO 25101, or Method 533.”	9/15/2020
Additional Analysis, page 9, new paragraph regarding soil parameters	None	“In cases where site-specific cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS are to be assessed, soil parameters, such as Total Organic Carbon (EPA Method 9060), soil pH (EPA Method 9045), clay content (percent), and cation exchange capacity (EPA Method 9081), should be included in the analysis to help evaluate factors affecting the leachability of PFAS in site soils.”	9/15/2020
Data Assessment and Application to Site Cleanup Page 10	Until such time as Ambient Water Quality Standards (AWQS) and Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for PFAS are published, the extent of contaminated media potentially subject to remediation should be determined on a case-by-case basis using the procedures discussed below and the criteria in DER-10. Target levels for cleanup of PFAS in other media, including biota and sediment, have not yet been established by the DEC.	Until such time as Ambient Water Quality Standards (AWQS) and Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for PFOA and PFOS are published, the extent of contaminated media potentially subject to remediation should be determined on a case-by-case basis using the procedures discussed below and the criteria in DER-10. Preliminary target levels for cleanup of PFOA and PFOS in other media, including biota and sediment, have not yet been established by the DEC.	9/15/2020

Citation and Page Number	Current Text	Corrected Text	Date
Water Sample Results Page 10	<p>PFAS should be further assessed and considered as a potential contaminant of concern in groundwater or surface water (...)</p> <p>If PFAS are identified as a contaminant of concern for a site, they should be assessed as part of the remedy selection process in accordance with Part 375 and DER-10.</p>	<p>PFOA and PFOS should be further assessed and considered as potential contaminants of concern in groundwater or surface water (...)</p> <p>If PFOA and/or PFOS are identified as contaminants of concern for a site, they should be assessed as part of the remedy selection process in accordance with Part 375 and DER-10.</p>	9/15/2020
Soil Sample Results, page 10	<p>“The extent of soil contamination for purposes of delineation and remedy selection should be determined by having certain soil samples tested by Synthetic Precipitation Leaching Procedure (SPLP) and the leachate analyzed for PFAS. Soil exhibiting SPLP results above 70 ppt for either PFOA or PFOS (individually or combined) are to be evaluated during the cleanup phase.”</p>	<p>“Soil cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS will be proposed in an upcoming revision to 6 NYCRR Part 375-6. Until SCOs are in effect, the following are to be used as guidance values. “</p> <p>[Interim SCO Table]</p> <p>“PFOA and PFOS results for soil are to be compared against the guidance values listed above. These guidance values are to be used in determining whether PFOA and PFOS are contaminants of concern for the site and for determining remedial action objectives and cleanup requirements. Site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater can also be presented for evaluation by DEC. Development of site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater will require analysis of additional soil parameters relating to leachability. These additional analyses can include any or all the parameters listed above (soil pH, cation exchange capacity, etc.) and/or use of SPLP.</p> <p>As the understanding of PFAS transport improves, DEC welcomes proposals for site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater. DEC will expect that those may be dependent on additional factors including soil pH, aqueous pH, % organic carbon, % Sand/Silt/Clay, soil cations: K, Ca, Mg, Na, Fe, Al, cation exchange capacity, and anion exchange capacity. Site-specific remedial objectives should also consider the dilution attenuation factor (DAF). The NJDEP publication on DAF can be used as a reference:  <a href="https://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance/rs/daf.pdf">https://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance/rs/daf.pdf</a>. ”</p>	9/15/2020

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<p>Testing for Imported Soil Page 11</p>	<p>Soil imported to a site for use in a soil cap, soil cover, or as backfill is to be tested for PFAS in general conformance with DER-10, Section 5.4(e) for the PFAS Analyte List (Appendix F) using the analytical procedures discussed below and the criteria in DER-10 associated with SVOCs.</p> <p>If PFOA or PFOS is detected in any sample at or above 1 µg/kg, then soil should be tested by SPLP and the leachate analyzed for PFAS. If the SPLP results exceed 10 ppt for either PFOA or PFOS (individually) then the source of backfill should be rejected, unless a site-specific exemption is provided by DER. SPLP leachate criteria is based on the Maximum Contaminant Levels proposed for drinking water by New York State’s Department of Health, this value may be updated based on future Federal or State promulgated regulatory standards. Remedial parties have the option of analyzing samples concurrently for both PFAS in soil and in the SPLP leachate to minimize project delays. Category B deliverables should be submitted for backfill samples, though a DUSR is not required.</p>	<p>Testing for PFAS should be included any time a full TAL/TCL analyte list is required. Results for PFOA and PFOS should be compared to the applicable guidance values. If PFOA or PFOS is detected in any sample at or above the guidance values then the source of backfill should be rejected, unless a site-specific exemption is provided by DER based on SPLP testing, for example. If the concentrations of PFOA and PFOS in leachate are at or above 10 ppt (the Maximum Contaminant Levels established for drinking water by the New York State Department of Health), then the soil is not acceptable.</p> <p>PFOA, PFOS and 1,4-dioxane are all considered semi-volatile compounds, so composite samples are appropriate for these compounds when sampling in accordance with DER-10, Table 5.4(e)10. Category B deliverables should be submitted for backfill samples, though a DUSR is not required.</p>	<p>9/15/2020</p>

Citation and Page Number	Current Text	Corrected Text	Date
Footnotes	None	<p><sup>1</sup> TOP Assay analysis of highly contaminated samples, such as those from an AFFF (aqueous film-forming foam) site, can result in incomplete oxidation of the samples and an underestimation of the total perfluoroalkyl substances.</p> <p><sup>2</sup> The movement of PFAS in the environment is being aggressively researched at this time; that research will eventually result in more accurate models for the behaviors of these chemicals. In the meantime, DEC has calculated the soil cleanup objective for the protection of groundwater using the same procedure used for all other chemicals, as described in Section 7.7 of the Technical Support Document (<a href="http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/techsuppdoc.pdf">http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/techsuppdoc.pdf</a>).</p>	9/15/2020
Additional Analysis, page 9	In cases... soil parameters, such as Total Organic Carbon (EPA Method 9060), soil...	In cases... soil parameters, such as Total Organic Carbon (Lloyd Kahn), soil...	1/8/2021
Appendix A, General Guidelines, fourth bullet	List the ELAP-approved lab(s) to be used for analysis of samples	List the ELAP- certified lab(s) to be used for analysis of samples	1/8/2021
Appendix E, Laboratory Analysis and Containers	Drinking water samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS by ISO Method 25101.	Drinking water samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS by EPA Method 537, 537.1, 533, or ISO Method 25101	1/8/2021

# Sampling, Analysis, and Assessment of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Under NYSDEC's Part 375 Remedial Programs

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## Objective

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) performs or oversees sampling of environmental media and subsequent analysis of PFAS as part of remedial programs implemented under 6 NYCRR Part 375. To ensure consistency in sampling, analysis, reporting, and assessment of PFAS, DER has developed this document which summarizes currently accepted procedures and updates previous DER technical guidance pertaining to PFAS.

## Applicability

All work plans submitted to DEC pursuant to one of the remedial programs under Part 375 shall include PFAS sampling and analysis procedures that conform to the guidelines provided herein.

As part of a site investigation or remedial action compliance program, whenever samples of potentially affected media are collected and analyzed for the standard Target Analyte List/Target Compound List (TAL/TCL), PFAS analysis should also be performed. Potentially affected media can include soil, groundwater, surface water, and sediment. Based upon the potential for biota to be affected, biota sampling and analysis for PFAS may also be warranted as determined pursuant to a Fish and Wildlife Impact Analysis. Soil vapor sampling for PFAS is not required.

## Field Sampling Procedures

DER-10 specifies technical guidance applicable to DER's remedial programs. Given the prevalence and use of PFAS, DER has developed "best management practices" specific to sampling for PFAS. As specified in DER-10 Chapter 2, quality assurance procedures are to be submitted with investigation work plans. Typically, these procedures are incorporated into a work plan, or submitted as a stand-alone document (e.g., a Quality Assurance Project Plan). Quality assurance guidelines for PFAS are listed in Appendix A - Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) Guidelines for PFAS.

Field sampling for PFAS performed under DER remedial programs should follow the appropriate procedures outlined for soils, sediments or other solids (Appendix B), non-potable groundwater (Appendix C), surface water (Appendix D), public or private water supply wells (Appendix E), and fish tissue (Appendix F).

QA/QC samples (e.g. duplicates, MS/MSD) should be collected as specified in DER-10, Section 2.3(c). For sampling equipment coming in contact with aqueous samples only, rinsate or equipment blanks should be collected. Equipment blanks should be collected at a minimum frequency of one per day per site or one per twenty samples, whichever is more frequent.

## Analysis and Reporting

As of October 2020, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) does not have a validated method for analysis of PFAS for media commonly analyzed under DER remedial programs (non-potable waters, solids). DER has developed the following guidelines to ensure consistency in analysis and reporting of PFAS.

The investigation work plan should describe analysis and reporting procedures, including laboratory analytical procedures for the methods discussed below. As specified in DER-10 Section 2.2, laboratories should provide a full Category B deliverable. In addition, a Data Usability Summary Report (DUSR) should be prepared by an independent, third party data validator. Electronic data submissions should meet the requirements provided at: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/62440.html>.

DER has developed a *PFAS Analyte List* (Appendix F) for remedial programs to understand the nature of contamination at sites. It is expected that reported results for PFAS will include, at a minimum, all the compounds listed. If lab and/or matrix specific issues are encountered for any analytes, the DER project manager, in consultation with the DER chemist, will make case-by-case decisions as to whether certain analytes may be temporarily or permanently discontinued from analysis at each site. As with other contaminants that are analyzed for at a site, the *PFAS Analyte List* may be refined for future sampling events based on investigative findings.

### Routine Analysis

Currently, New York State Department of Health's Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP) does not offer certification for PFAS in matrices other than finished drinking water. However, laboratories analyzing environmental samples for PFAS (e.g., soil, sediments, and groundwater) under DER's Part 375 remedial programs need to hold ELAP certification for PFOA and PFOS in drinking water by EPA Method 537, 537.1, ISO 25101, or Method 533. Laboratories should adhere to the guidelines and criteria set forth in the DER's laboratory guidelines for PFAS in non-potable water and solids (Appendix H - Laboratory Guidelines for Analysis of PFAS in Non-Potable Water and Solids). Data review guidelines were developed by DER to ensure data comparability and usability (Appendix H - Data Review Guidelines for Analysis of PFAS in Non-Potable Water and Solids).

LC-MS/MS analysis for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1 is the procedure to use for environmental samples. Isotope dilution techniques should be utilized for the analysis of PFAS in all media. Reporting limits for PFOA and PFOS in aqueous samples should not exceed 2 ng/L. Reporting limits for PFOA and PFOS in solid samples should not exceed 0.5 µg/kg. Reporting limits for all other PFAS in aqueous and solid media should be as close to these limits as possible. If laboratories indicate that they are not able to achieve these reporting limits for the entire *PFAS Analyte List*, site-specific decisions regarding acceptance of elevated reporting limits for specific PFAS can be made by the DER project manager in consultation with the DER chemist.

### Additional Analysis

Additional laboratory methods for analysis of PFAS may be warranted at a site, such as the Synthetic Precipitation Leaching Procedure (SPLP) and Total Oxidizable Precursor Assay (TOP Assay).

In cases where site-specific cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS are to be assessed, soil parameters, such as Total Organic Carbon (Lloyd Kahn), soil pH (EPA Method 9045), clay content (percent), and cation exchange capacity (EPA Method 9081), should be included in the analysis to help evaluate factors affecting the leachability of PFAS in site soils.

SPLP is a technique used to determine the mobility of chemicals in liquids, soils and wastes, and may be useful in determining the need for addressing PFAS-containing material as part of the remedy. SPLP by EPA Method 1312 should be used unless otherwise specified by the DER project manager in consultation with the DER chemist.

Impacted materials can be made up of PFAS that are not analyzable by routine analytical methodology. A TOP Assay can be utilized to conceptualize the amount and type of oxidizable PFAS which could be liberated in the environment, which approximates the maximum concentration of perfluoroalkyl substances that could be generated

if all polyfluoroalkyl substances were oxidized. For example, some polyfluoroalkyl substances may degrade or transform to form perfluoroalkyl substances (such as PFOA or PFOS), resulting in an increase in perfluoroalkyl substance concentrations as contaminated groundwater moves away from a source. The TOP Assay converts, through oxidation, polyfluoroalkyl substances (precursors) into perfluoroalkyl substances that can be detected by routine analytical methodology.<sup>1</sup>

Commercial laboratories have adopted methods which allow for the quantification of targeted PFAS in air and biota. The EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) is currently developing methods which allow for air emissions characterization of PFAS, including both targeted and non-targeted analysis of PFAS. Consult with the DER project manager and the DER chemist for assistance on analyzing biota/tissue and air samples.

## Data Assessment and Application to Site Cleanup

Until such time as Ambient Water Quality Standards (AWQS) and Soil Cleanup Objectives (SCOs) for PFOA and PFOS are published, the extent of contaminated media potentially subject to remediation should be determined on a case-by-case basis using the procedures discussed below and the criteria in DER-10. Preliminary target levels for cleanup of PFOA and PFOS in other media, including biota and sediment, have not yet been established by the DEC.

### Water Sample Results

PFOA and PFOS should be further assessed and considered as potential contaminants of concern in groundwater or surface water if PFOA or PFOS is detected in any water sample at or above 10 ng/L (ppt) and is determined to be attributable to the site, either by a comparison of upgradient and downgradient levels, or the presence of soil source areas, as defined below. In addition, further assessment of water may be warranted if either of the following screening levels are met:

- a. any other individual PFAS (not PFOA or PFOS) is detected in water at or above 100 ng/L; or
- b. total concentration of PFAS (including PFOA and PFOS) is detected in water at or above 500 ng/L

If PFOA and/or PFOS are identified as contaminants of concern for a site, they should be assessed as part of the remedy selection process in accordance with Part 375 and DER-10.

### Soil Sample Results

Soil cleanup objectives for PFOA and PFOS will be proposed in an upcoming revision to 6 NYCRR Part 375-6. Until SCOs are in effect, the following are to be used as guidance values.

<b>Guidance Values for Anticipated Site Use</b>	<b>PFOA (ppb)</b>	<b>PFOS (ppb)</b>
Unrestricted	0.66	0.88
Residential	6.6	8.8
Restricted Residential	33	44
Commercial	500	440
Industrial	600	440
Protection of Groundwater <sup>2</sup>	1.1	3.7

<sup>1</sup> TOP Assay analysis of highly contaminated samples, such as those from an AFFF (aqueous film-forming foam) site, can result in incomplete oxidation of the samples and an underestimation of the total perfluoroalkyl substances.

<sup>2</sup> The movement of PFAS in the environment is being aggressively researched at this time; that research will eventually result in more accurate models for the behaviors of these chemicals. In the meantime, DEC has calculated the guidance value for the protection of groundwater using the same procedure used for all other chemicals, as described in Section 7.7 of the Technical Support Document ([http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation\\_hudson\\_pdf/techsuppdoc.pdf](http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/techsuppdoc.pdf)).

PFOA and PFOS results for soil are to be compared against the guidance values listed above. These guidance values are to be used in determining whether PFOA and PFOS are contaminants of concern for the site and for determining remedial action objectives and cleanup requirements. Site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater can also be presented for evaluation by DEC. Development of site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater will require analysis of additional soil parameters relating to leachability. These additional analyses can include any or all the parameters listed above (soil pH, cation exchange capacity, etc.) and/or use of SPLP.

As the understanding of PFAS transport improves, DEC welcomes proposals for site-specific remedial objectives for protection of groundwater. DEC will expect that those may be dependent on additional factors including soil pH, aqueous pH, % organic carbon, % Sand/Silt/Clay, soil cations: K, Ca, Mg, Na, Fe, Al, cation exchange capacity, and anion exchange capacity. Site-specific remedial objectives should also consider the dilution attenuation factor (DAF). The NJDEP publication on DAF can be used as a reference:

<https://www.nj.gov/dep/srp/guidance/rs/daf.pdf>.

## Testing for Imported Soil

Testing for PFAS should be included any time a full TAL/TCL analyte list is required. Results for PFOA and PFOS should be compared to the applicable guidance values. If PFOA or PFOS is detected in any sample at or above the guidance values then the source of backfill should be rejected, unless a site-specific exemption is provided by DER based on SPLP testing, for example. If the concentrations of PFOA and PFOS in leachate are at or above 10 ppt (the Maximum Contaminant Levels established for drinking water by the New York State Department of Health), then the soil is not acceptable.

PFOA, PFOS and 1,4-dioxane are all considered semi-volatile compounds, so composite samples are appropriate for these compounds when sampling in accordance with DER-10, Table 5.4(e)10. Category B deliverables should be submitted for backfill samples, though a DUSR is not required.

## Appendix A - Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) Guidelines for PFAS

The following guidelines (general and PFAS-specific) can be used to assist with the development of a QAPP for projects within DER involving sampling and analysis of PFAS.

### General Guidelines in Accordance with DER-10

- Document/work plan section title – Quality Assurance Project Plan
- Summarize project scope, goals, and objectives
- Provide project organization including names and resumes of the project manager, Quality Assurance Officer (QAO), field staff, and Data Validator
  - The QAO should not have another position on the project, such as project or task manager, that involves project productivity or profitability as a job performance criterion
- List the ELAP certified lab(s) to be used for analysis of samples
- Include a site map showing sample locations
- Provide detailed sampling procedures for each matrix
- Include Data Quality Usability Objectives
- List equipment decontamination procedures
- Include an “Analytical Methods/Quality Assurance Summary Table” specifying:
  - Matrix type
  - Number or frequency of samples to be collected per matrix
  - Number of field and trip blanks per matrix
  - Analytical parameters to be measured per matrix
  - Analytical methods to be used per matrix with minimum reporting limits
  - Number and type of matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate samples to be collected
  - Number and type of duplicate samples to be collected
  - Sample preservation to be used per analytical method and sample matrix
  - Sample container volume and type to be used per analytical method and sample matrix
  - Sample holding time to be used per analytical method and sample matrix
- Specify Category B laboratory data deliverables and preparation of a DUSR

### Specific Guidelines for PFAS

- Include in the text that sampling for PFAS will take place
- Include in the text that PFAS will be analyzed by LC-MS/MS for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1
- Include the list of PFAS compounds to be analyzed (*PFAS Analyte List*)
- Include the laboratory SOP for PFAS analysis
- List the minimum method-achievable Reporting Limits for PFAS
  - Reporting Limits should be less than or equal to:
    - Aqueous – 2 ng/L (ppt)
    - Solids – 0.5 µg/kg (ppb)
- Include the laboratory Method Detection Limits for the PFAS compounds to be analyzed
- Laboratory should have ELAP certification for PFOA and PFOS in drinking water by EPA Method 537, 537.1, EPA Method 533, or ISO 25101
- Include detailed sampling procedures
  - Precautions to be taken
  - Pump and equipment types
  - Decontamination procedures
  - Approved materials only to be used
- Specify that regular ice only will be used for sample shipment
- Specify that equipment blanks should be collected at a minimum frequency of 1 per day per site for each matrix

## Appendix B - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Soils, Sediments and Solids

### General

The objective of this protocol is to give general guidelines for the collection of soil, sediment and other solid samples for PFAS analysis. The sampling procedure used should be consistent with Sampling Guidelines and Protocols – Technological Background and Quality Control/Quality Assurance for NYS DEC Spill Response Program – March 1991 ([http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation\\_hudson\\_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf](http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf)), with the following limitations.

### Laboratory Analysis and Containers

Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1.

The preferred material for containers is high density polyethylene (HDPE). Pre-cleaned sample containers, coolers, sample labels, and a chain of custody form will be provided by the laboratory.

### Equipment

Acceptable materials for sampling include stainless steel, HDPE, PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene. Additional materials may be acceptable if pre-approved by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation.

No sampling equipment components or sample containers should come in to contact with aluminum foil, low density polyethylene, glass, or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon™) materials including sample bottle cap liners with a PTFE layer.

A list of acceptable equipment is provided below, but other equipment may be considered appropriate based on sampling conditions.

- stainless steel spoon
- stainless steel bowl
- steel hand auger or shovel without any coatings

### Equipment Decontamination

Standard two step decontamination using detergent (Alconox is acceptable) and clean, PFAS-free water will be performed for sampling equipment. All sources of water used for equipment decontamination should be verified in advance to be PFAS-free through laboratory analysis or certification.

### Sampling Techniques

Sampling is often conducted in areas where a vegetative turf has been established. In these cases, a pre-cleaned trowel or shovel should be used to carefully remove the turf so that it may be replaced at the conclusion of sampling. Surface soil samples (e.g. 0 to 6 inches below surface) should then be collected using a pre-cleaned, stainless steel spoon. Shallow subsurface soil samples (e.g. 6 to ~36 inches below surface) may be collected by digging a hole using a pre-cleaned hand auger or shovel. When the desired subsurface depth is reached, a pre-cleaned hand auger or spoon shall be used to obtain the sample.

When the sample is obtained, it should be deposited into a stainless steel bowl for mixing prior to filling the sample containers. The soil should be placed directly into the bowl and mixed thoroughly by rolling the material into the middle until the material is homogenized. At this point the material within the bowl can be placed into the laboratory provided container.

## Sample Identification and Logging

A label shall be attached to each sample container with a unique identification. Each sample shall be included on the chain of custody (COC).

## Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- Immediately place samples in a cooler maintained at  $4 \pm 2^\circ$  Celsius using ice
- Collect one field duplicate for every sample batch, minimum 1 duplicate per 20 samples. The duplicate shall consist of an additional sample at a given location
- Collect one matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) for every sample batch, minimum 1 MS/MSD per 20 samples. The MS/MSD shall consist of an additional two samples at a given location and identified on the COC
- Request appropriate data deliverable (Category B) and an electronic data deliverable

## Documentation

A soil log or sample log shall document the location of the sample/borehole, depth of the sample, sampling equipment, duplicate sample, visual description of the material, and any other observations or notes determined to be appropriate. Additionally, care should be performed to limit contact with PFAS containing materials (e.g. waterproof field books, food packaging) during the sampling process.

## Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

For most sampling Level D PPE is anticipated to be appropriate. The sampler should wear nitrile gloves while conducting field work and handling sample containers.

Field staff shall consider the clothing to be worn during sampling activities. Clothing that contains PTFE material (including GORE-TEX®) or that have been waterproofed with PFAS materials should be avoided. All clothing worn by sampling personnel should have been laundered multiple times.

Appropriate rain gear (PVC, polyurethane, or rubber rain gear are acceptable), bug spray, and sunscreen should be used that does not contain PFAS. Well washed cotton coveralls may be used as an alternative to bug spray and/or sunscreen.

PPE that contains PFAS is acceptable when site conditions warrant additional protection for the samplers and no other materials can be used to be protective. Documentation of such use should be provided in the field notes.

## Appendix C - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Monitoring Wells

### General

The objective of this protocol is to give general guidelines for the collection of groundwater samples for PFAS analysis. The sampling procedure used should be consistent with Sampling Guidelines and Protocols – Technological Background and Quality Control/Quality Assurance for NYS DEC Spill Response Program – March 1991 ([http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation\\_hudson\\_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf](http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf)), with the following limitations.

### Laboratory Analysis and Container

Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1.

The preferred material for containers is high density polyethylene (HDPE). Pre-cleaned sample containers, coolers, sample labels, and a chain of custody form will be provided by the laboratory.

### Equipment

Acceptable materials for sampling include: stainless steel, HDPE, PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene. Additional materials may be acceptable if pre-approved by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation.

No sampling equipment components or sample containers should come in contact with aluminum foil, low density polyethylene, glass, or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon™) materials including plumbers tape and sample bottle cap liners with a PTFE layer.

A list of acceptable equipment is provided below, but other equipment may be considered appropriate based on sampling conditions.

- stainless steel inertia pump with HDPE tubing
- peristaltic pump equipped with HDPE tubing and silicone tubing
- stainless steel bailer with stainless steel ball
- bladder pump (identified as PFAS-free) with HDPE tubing

### Equipment Decontamination

Standard two step decontamination using detergent (Alconox is acceptable) and clean, PFAS-free water will be performed for sampling equipment. All sources of water used for equipment decontamination should be verified in advance to be PFAS-free through laboratory analysis or certification.

### Sampling Techniques

Monitoring wells should be purged in accordance with the sampling procedure (standard/volume purge or low flow purge) identified in the site work plan, which will determine the appropriate time to collect the sample. If sampling using standard purge techniques, additional purging may be needed to reduce turbidity levels, so samples contain a limited amount of sediment within the sample containers. Sample containers that contain sediment may cause issues at the laboratory, which may result in elevated reporting limits and other issues during the sample preparation that can compromise data usability. Sampling personnel should don new nitrile gloves prior to sample collection due to the potential to contact PFAS containing items (not related to the sampling equipment) during the purging activities.

## Sample Identification and Logging

A label shall be attached to each sample container with a unique identification. Each sample shall be included on the chain of custody (COC).

## Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- Immediately place samples in a cooler maintained at  $4 \pm 2^\circ$  Celsius using ice
- Collect one field duplicate for every sample batch, minimum 1 duplicate per 20 samples. The duplicate shall consist of an additional sample at a given location
- Collect one matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) for every sample batch, minimum 1 MS/MSD per 20 samples. The MS/MSD shall consist of an additional two samples at a given location and identified on the COC
- Collect one equipment blank per day per site and minimum 1 equipment blank per 20 samples. The equipment blank shall test the new and decontaminated sampling equipment utilized to obtain a sample for residual PFAS contamination. This sample is obtained by using laboratory provided PFAS-free water and passing the water over or through the sampling device and into laboratory provided sample containers
- Additional equipment blank samples may be collected to assess other equipment that is utilized at the monitoring well
- Request appropriate data deliverable (Category B) and an electronic data deliverable

## Documentation

A purge log shall document the location of the sample, sampling equipment, groundwater parameters, duplicate sample, visual description of the material, and any other observations or notes determined to be appropriate. Additionally, care should be performed to limit contact with PFAS containing materials (e.g. waterproof field books, food packaging) during the sampling process.

## Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

For most sampling Level D PPE is anticipated to be appropriate. The sampler should wear nitrile gloves while conducting field work and handling sample containers.

Field staff shall consider the clothing to be worn during sampling activities. Clothing that contains PTFE material (including GORE-TEX®) or that have been waterproofed with PFAS materials should be avoided. All clothing worn by sampling personnel should have been laundered multiple times.

Appropriate rain gear (PVC, polyurethane, or rubber rain gear are acceptable), bug spray, and sunscreen should be used that does not contain PFAS. Well washed cotton coveralls may be used as an alternative to bug spray and/or sunscreen.

PPE that contains PFAS is acceptable when site conditions warrant additional protection for the samplers and no other materials can be used to be protective. Documentation of such use should be provided in the field notes.

## Appendix D - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Surface Water

### General

The objective of this protocol is to give general guidelines for the collection of surface water samples for PFAS analysis. The sampling procedure used should be consistent with Sampling Guidelines and Protocols – Technological Background and Quality Control/Quality Assurance for NYS DEC Spill Response Program – March 1991 ([http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation\\_hudson\\_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf](http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf)), with the following limitations.

### Laboratory Analysis and Container

Samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS using methodologies based on EPA Method 537.1.

The preferred material for containers is high density polyethylene (HDPE). Pre-cleaned sample containers, coolers, sample labels, and a chain of custody form will be provided by the laboratory.

### Equipment

Acceptable materials for sampling include: stainless steel, HDPE, PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene. Additional materials may be acceptable if pre-approved by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation.

No sampling equipment components or sample containers should come in contact with aluminum foil, low density polyethylene, glass, or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon™) materials including sample bottle cap liners with a PTFE layer.

A list of acceptable equipment is provided below, but other equipment may be considered appropriate based on sampling conditions.

- stainless steel cup

### Equipment Decontamination

Standard two step decontamination using detergent (Alconox is acceptable) and clean, PFAS-free water will be performed for sampling equipment. All sources of water used for equipment decontamination should be verified in advance to be PFAS-free through laboratory analysis or certification.

### Sampling Techniques

Where conditions permit, (e.g. creek or pond) sampling devices (e.g. stainless steel cup) should be rinsed with site medium to be sampled prior to collection of the sample. At this point the sample can be collected and poured into the sample container.

If site conditions permit, samples can be collected directly into the laboratory container.

### Sample Identification and Logging

A label shall be attached to each sample container with a unique identification. Each sample shall be included on the chain of custody (COC).

## Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- Immediately place samples in a cooler maintained at  $4 \pm 2^\circ$  Celsius using ice
- Collect one field duplicate for every sample batch, minimum 1 duplicate per 20 samples. The duplicate shall consist of an additional sample at a given location
- Collect one matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) for every sample batch, minimum 1 MS/MSD per 20 samples. The MS/MSD shall consist of an additional two samples at a given location and identified on the COC
- Collect one equipment blank per day per site and minimum 1 equipment blank per 20 samples. The equipment blank shall test the new and decontaminated sampling equipment utilized to obtain a sample for residual PFAS contamination. This sample is obtained by using laboratory provided PFAS-free water and passing the water over or through the sampling device and into laboratory provided sample containers
- Request appropriate data deliverable (Category B) and an electronic data deliverable

## Documentation

A sample log shall document the location of the sample, sampling equipment, duplicate sample, visual description of the material, and any other observations or notes determined to be appropriate. Additionally, care should be performed to limit contact with PFAS containing materials (e.g. waterproof field books, food packaging) during the sampling process.

## Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

For most sampling Level D PPE is anticipated to be appropriate. The sampler should wear nitrile gloves while conducting field work and handling sample containers.

Field staff shall consider the clothing to be worn during sampling activities. Clothing that contains PTFE material (including GORE-TEX®) or that have been waterproofed with PFAS materials should be avoided. All clothing worn by sampling personnel should have been laundered multiple times.

Appropriate rain gear (PVC, polyurethane, or rubber rain gear are acceptable), bug spray, and sunscreen should be used that does not contain PFAS. Well washed cotton coveralls may be used as an alternative to bug spray and/or sunscreen.

PPE that contains PFAS is acceptable when site conditions warrant additional protection for the samplers and no other materials can be used to be protective. Documentation of such use should be provided in the field notes.

## Appendix E - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Private Water Supply Wells

### General

The objective of this protocol is to give general guidelines for the collection of water samples from private water supply wells (with a functioning pump) for PFAS analysis. The sampling procedure used should be consistent with Sampling Guidelines and Protocols – Technological Background and Quality Control/Quality Assurance for NYS DEC Spill Response Program – March 1991 ([http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation\\_hudson\\_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf](http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/remediation_hudson_pdf/sgpsect5.pdf)), with the following limitations.

### Laboratory Analysis and Container

Drinking water samples collected using this protocol are intended to be analyzed for PFAS by EPA Method 537, 537.1, 533, or ISO Method 25101. The preferred material for containers is high density polyethylene (HDPE). Pre-cleaned sample containers, coolers, sample labels, and a chain of custody form will be provided by the laboratory.

### Equipment

Acceptable materials for sampling include stainless steel, HDPE, PVC, silicone, acetate, and polypropylene. Additional materials may be acceptable if pre-approved by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation.

No sampling equipment components or sample containers should come in contact with aluminum foil, low density polyethylene, glass, or polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon™) materials (e.g. plumbers tape), including sample bottle cap liners with a PTFE layer.

### Equipment Decontamination

Standard two step decontamination using detergent (Alconox is acceptable) and clean, PFAS-free water will be performed for sampling equipment. All sources of water used for equipment decontamination should be verified in advance to be PFAS-free through laboratory analysis or certification.

### Sampling Techniques

Locate and assess the pressure tank and determine if any filter units are present within the building. Establish the sample location as close to the well pump as possible, which is typically the spigot at the pressure tank. Ensure sampling equipment is kept clean during sampling as access to the pressure tank spigot, which is likely located close to the ground, may be obstructed and may hinder sample collection.

Prior to sampling, a faucet downstream of the pressure tank (e.g., washroom sink) should be run until the well pump comes on and a decrease in water temperature is noted which indicates that the water is coming from the well. If the homeowner is amenable, staff should run the water longer to purge the well (15+ minutes) to provide a sample representative of the water in the formation rather than standing water in the well and piping system including the pressure tank. At this point a new pair of nitrile gloves should be donned and the sample can be collected from the sample point at the pressure tank.

### Sample Identification and Logging

A label shall be attached to each sample container with a unique identification. Each sample shall be included on the chain of custody (COC).

## Quality Assurance/Quality Control

- Immediately place samples in a cooler maintained at  $4 \pm 2^\circ$  Celsius using ice
- Collect one field duplicate for every sample batch, minimum 1 duplicate per 20 samples. The duplicate shall consist of an additional sample at a given location
- Collect one matrix spike / matrix spike duplicate (MS/MSD) for every sample batch, minimum 1 MS/MSD per 20 samples. The MS/MSD shall consist of an additional two samples at a given location and identified on the COC
- If equipment was used, collect one equipment blank per day per site and a minimum 1 equipment blank per 20 samples. The equipment blank shall test the new and decontaminated sampling equipment utilized to obtain a sample for residual PFAS contamination. This sample is obtained by using laboratory provided PFAS-free water and passing the water over or through the sampling device and into laboratory provided sample containers.
- A field reagent blank (FRB) should be collected at a rate of one per 20 samples. The lab will provide a FRB bottle containing PFAS free water and one empty FRB bottle. In the field, pour the water from the one bottle into the empty FRB bottle and label appropriately.
- Request appropriate data deliverable (Category B) and an electronic data deliverable
- For sampling events where multiple private wells (homes or sites) are to be sampled per day, it is acceptable to collect QC samples at a rate of one per 20 across multiple sites or days.

## Documentation

A sample log shall document the location of the private well, sample point location, owner contact information, sampling equipment, purge duration, duplicate sample, visual description of the material, and any other observations or notes determined to be appropriate and available (e.g. well construction, pump type and location, yield, installation date). Additionally, care should be performed to limit contact with PFAS containing materials (e.g. waterproof field books, food packaging) during the sampling process.

## Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

For most sampling Level D PPE is anticipated to be appropriate. The sampler should wear nitrile gloves while conducting field work and handling sample containers.

Field staff shall consider the clothing to be worn during sampling activities. Clothing that contains PTFE material (including GORE-TEX®) or that have been waterproofed with PFAS materials should be avoided. All clothing worn by sampling personnel should have been laundered multiple times.

## Appendix F - Sampling Protocols for PFAS in Fish

This appendix contains a copy of the latest guidelines developed by the Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) entitled “General Fish Handling Procedures for Contaminant Analysis” (Ver. 8).

**Procedure Name:** General Fish Handling Procedures for Contaminant Analysis

**Number:** FW-005

**Purpose:** This procedure describes data collection, fish processing and delivery of fish collected for contaminant monitoring. It contains the chain of custody and collection record forms that should be used for the collections.

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**Summary of Changes to this Version:** Updated bureau name to Bureau of Ecosystem Health. Added direction to list the names of all field crew on the collection record. Minor formatting changes on chain of custody and collection records.

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**Date:** 26 April 2019

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**NEW YORK STATE  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**

**GENERAL FISH HANDLING PROCEDURES FOR CONTAMINANT ANALYSES**

- A. Original copies of all continuity of evidence (i.e., Chain of Custody) and collection record forms must accompany delivery of fish to the lab. A copy shall be directed to the Project Leader or as appropriate, Wayne Richter. All necessary forms will be supplied by the Bureau of Ecosystem Health. Because some samples may be used in legal cases, it is critical that each section is filled out completely. Each Chain of Custody form has three main sections:
1. The top box is to be filled out **and signed** by the person responsible for the fish collection (e.g., crew leader, field biologist, researcher). This person is responsible for delivery of the samples to DEC facilities or personnel (e.g., regional office or biologist).
  2. The second section is to be filled out **and signed** by the person responsible for the collections while being stored at DEC, before delivery to the analytical lab. This may be the same person as in (1), but it is still required that they complete the section. Also important is the **range of identification numbers** (i.e., tag numbers) included in the sample batch.
  3. Finally, the bottom box is to record any transfers between DEC personnel and facilities. Each subsequent transfer should be **identified, signed, and dated**, until laboratory personnel take possession of the fish.
- B. The following data are required on each **Fish Collection Record** form:
1. Project and Site Name.
  2. DEC Region.
  3. All personnel (and affiliation) involved in the collection.
  4. Method of collection (gill net, hook and line, etc.)
  5. Preservation Method.
- C. The following data are to be taken on each fish collected and recorded on the **Fish Collection Record** form:
1. Tag number - Each specimen is to be individually jaw tagged at time of collection with a unique number. Make sure the tag is turned out so that the number can be read without opening the bag. Use tags in sequential order. For small fish or composite samples place the tag inside the bag with the samples. The Bureau of Ecosystem Health can supply the tags.
  2. Species identification (please be explicit enough to enable assigning genus and species). Group fish by species when processing.
  3. Date collected.
  4. Sample location (waterway and nearest prominent identifiable landmark).
  5. Total length (nearest mm or smallest sub-unit on measuring instrument) and weight (nearest g or

smallest sub-unit of weight on weighing instrument). Take all measures as soon as possible with calibrated, protected instruments (e.g. from wind and upsets) and prior to freezing.

6. Sex - fish may be cut enough to allow sexing or other internal investigation, but do not eviscerate. Make any incision on the right side of the belly flap or exactly down the midline so that a left-side fillet can be removed.

D. General data collection recommendations:

1. It is helpful to use an ID or tag number that will be unique. It is best to use metal striped bass or other uniquely numbered metal tags. If uniquely numbered tags are unavailable, values based on the region, water body and year are likely to be unique: for example, R7CAY11001 for Region 7, Cayuga Lake, 2011, fish 1. If the fish are just numbered 1 through 20, we have to give them new numbers for our database, making it more difficult to trace your fish to their analytical results and creating an additional possibility for errors.
  2. Process and record fish of the same species sequentially. Recording mistakes are less likely when all fish from a species are processed together. Starting with the bigger fish species helps avoid missing an individual.
  3. If using Bureau of Ecosystem Health supplied tags or other numbered tags, use tags in sequence so that fish are recorded with sequential Tag Numbers. This makes data entry and login at the lab and use of the data in the future easier and reduces keypunch errors.
  4. Record length and weight as soon as possible after collection and before freezing. Other data are recorded in the field upon collection. An age determination of each fish is optional, but if done, it is recorded in the appropriate "Age" column.
  5. For composite samples of small fish, record the number of fish in the composite in the Remarks column. Record the length and weight of each individual in a composite. All fish in a composite sample should be of the same species and members of a composite should be visually matched for size.
  6. Please submit photocopies of topographic maps or good quality navigation charts indicating sampling locations. GPS coordinates can be entered in the Location column of the collection record form in addition to or instead for providing a map. These records are of immense help to us (and hopefully you) in providing documented location records which are not dependent on memory and/or the same collection crew. In addition, they may be helpful for contaminant source trackdown and remediation/control efforts of the Department.
  7. When recording data on fish measurements, it will help to ensure correct data recording for the data recorder to call back the numbers to the person making the measurements.
- E. Each fish is to be placed in its own individual plastic bag. For small fish to be analyzed as a composite, put all of the fish for one composite in the same bag but use a separate bag for each composite. It is important to individually bag the fish to avoid difficulties or cross contamination when processing the fish for chemical analysis. Be sure to include the fish's tag number inside the bag, preferably attached to the fish with the tag number turned out so it can be read. Tie or otherwise secure the bag closed. **The Bureau of Ecosystem Health will supply the bags.** If necessary, food grade bags may be procured from a suitable vendor (e.g., grocery store). It is preferable to redundantly label each bag with a manila tag tied between the knot and the body of the bag. This tag should be labeled with the project name, collection location, tag number, collection date, and fish species. If scales are collected, the scale envelope should be labeled with

the same information.

- F. Groups of fish, by species, are to be placed in one large plastic bag per sampling location. **The Bureau of Ecosystem Health will supply the larger bags.** Tie or otherwise secure the bag closed. Label the site bag with a manila tag tied between the knot and the body of the bag. The tag should contain: project, collection location, collection date, species and **tag number ranges**. Having this information on the manila tag enables lab staff to know what is in the bag without opening it.
- G. Do not eviscerate, fillet or otherwise dissect the fish unless specifically asked to. If evisceration or dissection is specified, the fish must be cut along the exact midline or on the right side so that the left side fillet can be removed intact at the laboratory. If filleting is specified, the procedure for taking a standard fillet (SOP PREPLAB 4) must be followed, including removing scales.
- H. Special procedures for PFAS: Unlike legacy contaminants such as PCBs, which are rarely found in day to day life, PFAS are widely used and frequently encountered. Practices that avoid sample contamination are therefore necessary. While no standard practices have been established for fish, procedures for water quality sampling can provide guidance. The following practices should be used for collections when fish are to be analyzed for PFAS:
  - No materials containing Teflon.
  - No Post-it notes.
  - No ice packs; only water ice or dry ice.
  - Any gloves worn must be powder free nitrile.
  - No Gore-Tex or similar materials (Gore-Tex is a PFC with PFOA used in its manufacture).
  - No stain repellent or waterproof treated clothing; these are likely to contain PFCs.
  - Avoid plastic materials, other than HDPE, including clipboards and waterproof notebooks.
  - Wash hands after handling any food containers or packages as these may contain PFCs.
    - Keep pre-wrapped food containers and wrappers isolated from fish handling.
  - Wear clothing washed at least six times since purchase.
  - Wear clothing washed without fabric softener.
  - Staff should avoid cosmetics, moisturizers, hand creams and similar products on the day of sampling as many of these products contain PFCs (Fujii et al. 2013). Sunscreen or insect repellent should not contain ingredients with “fluor” in their name. Apply any sunscreen or insect repellent well downwind from all materials. Hands must be washed after touching any of these products.
- I. All fish must be kept at a temperature  $<45^{\circ}\text{F}$  ( $<8^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) immediately following data processing. As soon as possible, freeze at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Due to occasional freezer failures, daily freezer temperature logs are required. The freezer should be locked or otherwise secured to maintain chain of custody.
- J. In most cases, samples should be delivered to the Analytical Services Unit at the Hale Creek field station. Coordinate delivery with field station staff and send copies of the collection records, continuity of evidence forms and freezer temperature logs to the field station. For samples to be analyzed elsewhere, non-routine collections or other questions, contact Wayne Richter, Bureau of Ecosystem Health, NYSDEC, 625 Broadway, Albany, New York 12233-4756, 518-402-8974, or the project leader about sample transfer. Samples will then be directed to the analytical facility and personnel noted on specific project descriptions.
- K. A recommended equipment list is at the end of this document.



**NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION  
CHAIN OF CUSTODY**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_ collected the  
(Print Name) (Print Business Address)

following on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date) (Water Body)

in the vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_  
(Landmark, Village, Road, etc.)

Town of \_\_\_\_\_, in \_\_\_\_\_ County.

Item(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Said sample(s) were in my possession and handled according to standard procedures provided to me prior to collection. The sample(s) were placed in the custody of a representative of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature Date

I, \_\_\_\_\_, received the above mentioned sample(s) on the date specified and assigned identification number(s) \_\_\_\_\_ to the sample(s). I have recorded pertinent data for the sample(s) on the attached collection records. The sample(s) remained in my custody until subsequently transferred, prepared or shipped at times and on dates as attested to below.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

SECOND RECIPIENT (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
SIGNATURE	UNIT	
THIRD RECIPIENT (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
SIGNATURE	UNIT	
FOURTH RECIPIENT (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	PURPOSE OF TRANSFER
SIGNATURE	UNIT	
RECEIVED IN LABORATORY BY (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	REMARKS
SIGNATURE	UNIT	
LOGGED IN BY (Print Name)	TIME & DATE	ACCESSION NUMBERS
SIGNATURE	UNIT	

## **NOTICE OF WARRANTY**

By signature to the chain of custody (reverse), the signatory warrants that the information provided is truthful and accurate to the best of his/her ability. The signatory affirms that he/she is willing to testify to those facts provided and the circumstances surrounding the same. Nothing in this warranty or chain of custody negates responsibility nor liability of the signatories for the truthfulness and accuracy of the statements provided.

## **HANDLING INSTRUCTIONS**

On day of collection, collector(s) name(s), address(es), date, geographic location of capture (attach a copy of topographic map or navigation chart), species, number kept of each species, and description of capture vicinity (proper noun, if possible) along with name of Town and County must be indicated on reverse.

Retain organisms in manila tagged plastic bags to avoid mixing capture locations. Note appropriate information on each bag tag.

Keep samples as cool as possible. Put on ice if fish cannot be frozen within 12 hours. If fish are held more than 24 hours without freezing, they will not be retained or analyzed.

Initial recipient (either DEC or designated agent) of samples from collector(s) is responsible for obtaining and recording information on the collection record forms which will accompany the chain of custody. This person will seal the container using packing tape and writing his signature, the time and the date across the tape onto the container with indelible marker. Any time a seal is broken, for whatever purpose, the incident must be recorded on the Chain of Custody (reason, time, and date) in the purpose of transfer block. Container then is resealed using new tape and rewriting signature, with time and date.

## EQUIPMENT LIST

Scale or balance of appropriate capacity for the fish to be collected.

Fish measuring board.

Plastic bags of an appropriate size for the fish to be collected and for site bags.

Individually numbered metal tags for fish.

Manila tags to label bags.

Small envelopes, approximately 2" x 3.5", if fish scales are to be collected.

Knife for removing scales.

Chain of custody and fish collection forms.

Clipboard.

Pens or markers.

Paper towels.

Dish soap and brush.

Bucket.

Cooler.

Ice.

Duct tape.

## Appendix G – PFAS Analyte List

Group	Chemical Name	Abbreviation	CAS Number
Perfluoroalkyl sulfonates	Perfluorobutanesulfonic acid	PFBS	375-73-5
	Perfluorohexanesulfonic acid	PFHxS	355-46-4
	Perfluoroheptanesulfonic acid	PFHpS	375-92-8
	Perfluorooctanesulfonic acid	PFOS	1763-23-1
	Perfluorodecanesulfonic acid	PFDS	335-77-3
Perfluoroalkyl carboxylates	Perfluorobutanoic acid	PFBA	375-22-4
	Perfluoropentanoic acid	PFPeA	2706-90-3
	Perfluorohexanoic acid	PFHxA	307-24-4
	Perfluoroheptanoic acid	PFHpA	375-85-9
	Perfluorooctanoic acid	PFOA	335-67-1
	Perfluorononanoic acid	PFNA	375-95-1
	Perfluorodecanoic acid	PFDA	335-76-2
	Perfluoroundecanoic acid	PFUA/PFUdA	2058-94-8
	Perfluorododecanoic acid	PFDoA	307-55-1
	Perfluorotridecanoic acid	PFTriA/PFTTrDA	72629-94-8
	Perfluorotetradecanoic acid	PFTA/PFTeDA	376-06-7
Fluorinated Telomer Sulfonates	6:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonate	6:2 FTS	27619-97-2
	8:2 Fluorotelomer sulfonate	8:2 FTS	39108-34-4
Perfluorooctane-sulfonamides	Perfluorooctanesulfonamide	FOSA	754-91-6
Perfluorooctane-sulfonamidoacetic acids	N-methyl perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid	N-MeFOSAA	2355-31-9
	N-ethyl perfluorooctanesulfonamidoacetic acid	N-EtFOSAA	2991-50-6

## Appendix H - Laboratory Guidelines for Analysis of PFAS in Non-Potable Water and Solids

### General

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) developed the following guidelines for laboratories analyzing environmental samples for PFAS under DER programs. If laboratories cannot adhere to the following guidelines, they should contact DER's Quality Assurance Officer, Dana Barbarossa, at [dana.barbarossa@dec.ny.gov](mailto:dana.barbarossa@dec.ny.gov) prior to analysis of samples.

### Isotope Dilution

Isotope dilution techniques should be utilized for the analysis of PFAS in all media.

### Extraction

For water samples, the entire sample bottle should be extracted, and the sample bottle rinsed with appropriate solvent to remove any residual PFAS.

For samples with high particulates, the samples should be handled in one of the following ways:

1. Spike the entire sample bottle with isotope dilution analytes (IDAs) prior to any sample manipulation. The sample can be passed through the SPE and if it clogs, record the volume that passed through.
2. If the sample contains too much sediment to attempt passing it through the SPE cartridge, the sample should be spiked with isotope dilution analytes, centrifuged and decanted.
3. If higher reporting limits are acceptable for the project, the sample can be diluted by taking a representative aliquot of the sample. If isotope dilution analytes will be diluted out of the sample, they can be added after the dilution. The sample should be homogenized prior to taking an aliquot.

If alternate sample extraction procedures are used, please contact the DER remedial program chemist prior to employing. Any deviations in sample preparation procedures should be clearly noted in the case narrative.

### Signal to Noise Ratio

For all target analyte ions used for quantification, signal to noise ratio should be 3:1 or greater.

### Blanks

There should be no detections in the method blanks above the reporting limits.

### Ion Transitions

The ion transitions listed below should be used for the following PFAS:

PFOA	413 > 369
PFOS	499 > 80
PFHxS	399 > 80
PFBS	299 > 80
6:2 FTS	427 > 407
8:2 FTS	527 > 507
N-EtFOSAA	584 > 419
N-MeFOSAA	570 > 419

## Branched and Linear Isomers

Standards containing both branched and linear isomers should be used when standards are commercially available. Currently, quantitative standards are available for PFHxS, PFOS, NMeFOSAA, and NEtFOSAA. As more standards become available, they should be incorporated in to the method. All isomer peaks present in the standard should be integrated and the areas summed. Samples should be integrated in the same manner as the standards.

Since a quantitative standard does not exist for branched isomers of PFOA, the instrument should be calibrated using just the linear isomer and a technical (qualitative) PFOA standard should be used to identify the retention time of the branched PFOA isomers in the sample. The total response of PFOA branched and linear isomers should be integrated in the samples and quantitated using the calibration curve of the linear standard.

## Secondary Ion Transition Monitoring

Quantifier and qualifier ions should be monitored for all target analytes (PFBA and PFPeA are exceptions). The ratio of quantifier ion response to qualifier ion response should be calculated for each target analyte and the ratio compared to standards. Lab derived criteria should be used to determine if the ratios are acceptable.

## Reporting

Detections below the reporting limit should be reported and qualified with a J qualifier.

The acid form of PFAS analytes should be reported. If the salt form of the PFAS was used as a stock standard, the measured mass should be corrected to report the acid form of the analyte.

## Appendix I - Data Review Guidelines for Analysis of PFAS in Non-Potable Water and Solids

### General

These guidelines are intended to be used for the validation of PFAS analytical results for projects within the Division of Environmental Remediation (DER) as well as aid in the preparation of a data usability summary report. Data reviewers should understand the methodology and techniques utilized in the analysis. Consultation with the end user of the data may be necessary to assist in determining data usability based on the data quality objectives in the Quality Assurance Project Plan. A familiarity with the laboratory’s Standard Operating Procedure may also be needed to fully evaluate the data. If you have any questions, please contact DER’s Quality Assurance Officer, Dana Barbarossa, at [dana.barbarossa@dec.ny.gov](mailto:dana.barbarossa@dec.ny.gov).

### Preservation and Holding Time

Samples should be preserved with ice to a temperature of less than 6°C upon arrival at the lab. The holding time is 14 days to extraction for aqueous and solid samples. The time from extraction to analysis for aqueous samples is 28 days and 40 days for solids.

Temperature greatly exceeds 6°C upon arrival at the lab*	Use professional judgement to qualify detects and non-detects as estimated or rejected
Holding time exceeding 28 days to extraction	Use professional judgement to qualify detects and non-detects as estimated or rejected if holding time is grossly exceeded

\*Samples that are delivered to the lab immediately after sampling may not meet the thermal preservation guidelines. Samples are considered acceptable if they arrive on ice or an attempt to chill the samples is observed.

### Initial Calibration

The initial calibration should contain a minimum of five standards for linear fit and six standards for a quadratic fit. The relative standard deviation (RSD) for a quadratic fit calibration should be less than 20%. Linear fit calibration curves should have an R<sup>2</sup> value greater than 0.990.

The low-level calibration standard should be within 50% - 150% of the true value, and the mid-level calibration standard within 70% - 130% of the true value.

%RSD >20%	J flag detects and UJ non detects
R <sup>2</sup> >0.990	J flag detects and UJ non detects
Low-level calibration check <50% or >150%	J flag detects and UJ non detects
Mid-level calibration check <70% or >130%	J flag detects and UJ non detects

### Initial Calibration Verification

An initial calibration verification (ICV) standard should be from a second source (if available). The ICV should be at the same concentration as the mid-level standard of the calibration curve.

ICV recovery <70% or >130%	J flag detects and non-detects
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## Continuing Calibration Verification

Continuing calibration verification (CCV) checks should be analyzed at a frequency of one per ten field samples. If CCV recovery is very low, where detection of the analyte could be in question, ensure a low level CCV was analyzed and use to determine data quality.

CCV recovery <70 or >130%	J flag results
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## Blanks

There should be no detections in the method blanks above the reporting limits. Equipment blanks, field blanks, rinse blanks etc. should be evaluated in the same manner as method blanks. Use the most contaminated blank to evaluate the sample results.

Blank Result	Sample Result	Qualification
Any detection	<Reporting limit	Qualify as ND at reporting limit
Any detection	>Reporting Limit and >10x the blank result	No qualification
>Reporting limit	>Reporting limit and <10x blank result	J+ biased high

## Field Duplicates

A blind field duplicate should be collected at rate of one per twenty samples. The relative percent difference (RPD) should be less than 30% for analyte concentrations greater than two times the reporting limit. Use the higher result for final reporting.

RPD >30%	Apply J qualifier to parent sample
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## Lab Control Spike

Lab control spikes should be analyzed with each extraction batch or one for every twenty samples. In the absence of lab derived criteria, use 70% - 130% recovery criteria to evaluate the data.

Recovery <70% or >130% (lab derived criteria can also be used)	Apply J qualifier to detects and UJ qualifier to non detects
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## Matrix Spike/Matrix Spike Duplicate

One matrix spike and matrix spike duplicate should be collected at a rate of one per twenty samples. Use professional judgement to reject results based on out of control MS/MSD recoveries.

Recovery <70% or >130% (lab derived criteria can also be used)	Apply J qualifier to detects and UJ qualifier to non detects of parent sample only
RPD >30%	Apply J qualifier to detects and UJ qualifier to non detects of parent sample only

## Extracted Internal Standards (Isotope Dilution Analytes)

Problematic analytes (e.g. PFBA, PFPeA, fluorotelomer sulfonates) can have wider recoveries without qualification. Qualify corresponding native compounds with a J flag if outside of the range.

Recovery <50% or >150%	Apply J qualifier
Recovery <25% or >150% for poor responding analytes	Apply J qualifier
Isotope Dilution Analyte (IDA) Recovery <10%	Reject results

## Secondary Ion Transition Monitoring

Quantifier and qualifier ions should be monitored for all target analytes (PFBA and PFPeA are exceptions). The ratio of quantifier ion response to qualifier ion response should be calculated from the standards for each target analyte. Lab derived criteria should be used to determine if the ratios are acceptable. If the ratios fall outside of the laboratory criteria, qualify results as an estimated maximum concentration.

## Signal to Noise Ratio

The signal to noise ratio for the quantifier ion should be at least 3:1. If the ratio is less than 3:1, the peak is discernable from the baseline noise and symmetrical, the result can be reported. If the peak appears to be baseline noise and/or the shape is irregular, qualify the result as tentatively identified.

## Branched and Linear Isomers

Observed branched isomers in the sample that do not have a qualitative or quantitative standard should be noted and the analyte should be qualified as biased low in the final data review summary report. Note: The branched isomer peak should also be present in the secondary ion transition.

## Reporting Limits

If project-specific reporting limits were not met, please indicate that in the report along with the reason (e.g. over dilution, dilution for non-target analytes, high sediment in aqueous samples).

## Peak Integrations

Target analyte peaks should be integrated properly and consistently when compared to standards. Ensure branched isomer peaks are included for PFAS where standards are available. Inconsistencies should be brought to the attention of the laboratory or identified in the data review summary report.

## **APPENDIX F**

### **Health and Safety Plan**



**HALEY & ALDRICH, INC.**

**SITE-SPECIFIC SAFETY PLAN**

**FOR**

**1885 Atlantic Avenue Redevelopment  
Speedway #7833  
Brooklyn, New York**

**Project/File No. 0203563**



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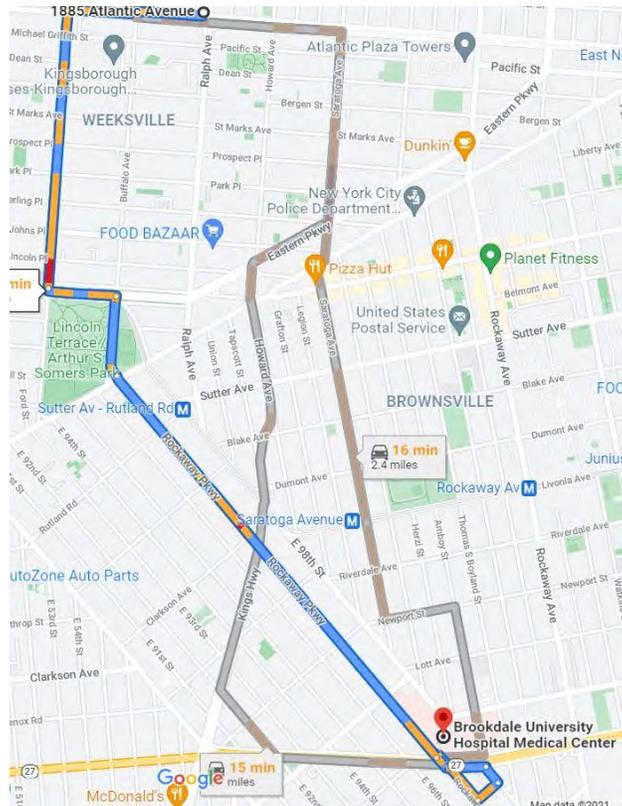
# EMERGENCY INFORMATION

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<b>Location:</b> 1885 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, New York	
<b>Client/Site Contact:</b> Office Phone Number:	1885 Atlantic Realty LLC Mr. Joel and Mr. Jacob Kohn 718.963.0536
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<b>H&amp;A Project Manager:</b> Office Phone Number: Cell Phone Number:	Conlon, Mari Cate 646.277.5688 347.271.1521
<b>Field Safety Manager:</b> Office Phone Number: Cell Phone Number:	Ferguson, Brian 617.886.7439 617.908.2761
<b>Nearest Hospital:</b> Address: (see map on next page) Phone Number:	<b>The Brookdale University Hospital and Medical Center</b> 1 Brookdale Plaza Brooklyn, NY 11212 718.240.5000
<b>Nearest Occ. Health Clinic:</b> Address: (see map on next page) Phone Number:	<b>CityMD Crown Heights Urgent Care - Brooklyn</b> 256 Utica Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11213 718.571.9355
<b>Liberty Mutual Claim Policy</b>	<b>WC6-Z11-254100-031</b>
<b>Other Local Emergency Response Number:</b>	911
<b>Other Ambulance, Fire, Police, or Environmental Emergency Resources:</b>	911

# Emergency Hospital

## The Brookdale University Hospital and Medical Center

1 Brookdale Plaza  
Brooklyn, NY 11212  
718.240.5000



14 min (2.6 miles)

via Rockaway Pkwy  
Fastest route, despite the usual traffic

### 1885 Atlantic Ave

Brooklyn, NY 11233

- ↑ Head west on Atlantic Ave toward Center underpass to Buffalo Ave  
47 s (0.2 mi)
- Take Rochester Ave to Eastern Pkwy  
5 min (0.7 mi)
- Take Rockaway Pkwy to Linden Blvd  
6 min (1.4 mi)
- Continue on Linden Blvd. Drive to Rockaway Pkwy  
2 min (0.3 mi)

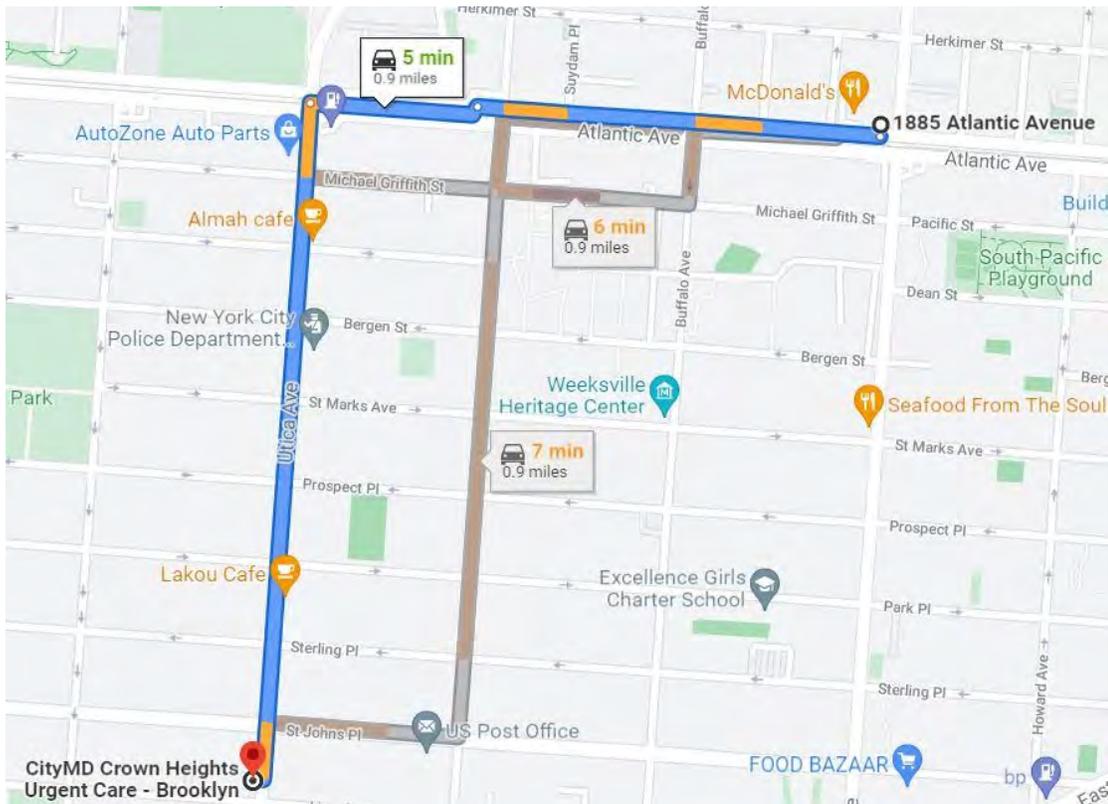
### Brookdale University Hospital and Medical Center

1 Brookdale Plaza, Brooklyn, NY 11212

# Clinic

## CityMD Crown Heights Urgent Care - Brooklyn

256 Utica Avenue  
Brooklyn, NY 11213  
718.571.9355



5 min (0.9 mile)

via Atlantic Ave and Utica Ave

Fastest route, lighter traffic than usual

### 1885 Atlantic Ave

Brooklyn, NY 11233

- ↑ Head west on Atlantic Ave toward Center underpass to Buffalo Ave  
0.3 mi
- ↩ Turn left onto Center underpass to Rochester Ave  
0.1 mi
- ↩ Turn left onto Utica Ave
  - 📍 Pass by AutoZone Auto Parts (on the right)
  - 📍 Destination will be on the right0.5 mi

### CityMD Crown Heights Urgent Care - Brooklyn

256 Utica Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11213

# STOP WORK

In accordance with H&A Stop Work Policy (OP1035), any individual has the right to refuse to do work that they believe to be unsafe and they have the obligation and responsibility to stop others from working in an unsafe manner without fear of retaliation. STOP Work Policy is the stop work policy for all personnel and subcontractors on the Site. When work has been stopped due to an unsafe condition, H&A site management (e.g., Project Manager, Site Safety Manager) and the H&A Senior Project Manager will be notified immediately. Reasons for issuing a stop work order include, but are not limited to:

- The belief/perception that injury to personnel or accident causing significant damage to property or equipment is imminent.
- A H&A subcontractor is in breach of site safety requirements and/or their own site HASP.
- Identifying a sub-standard condition (e.g., severe weather) or activity that creates an unacceptable safety risk as determined by a qualified person.

Work will not resume until the unsafe act has been stopped OR sufficient safety precautions have been taken to remove or mitigate the risk to an acceptable degree. Stop work orders will be documented as part of an on-site stop work log, on daily field reports to include the activity(ies) stopped, the duration, person stopping work, person in-charge of stopped activity(ies), and the corrective action agreed to and/or taken. Once work has been stopped, only the H&A SM or SSO can give the order to resume work. H&A senior management is committed to support anyone who exercises his or her "Stop Work" authority.

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# ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

<b>Project Name</b>	1885 Atlantic Avenue	<b>Project Number</b>	0203563-001-04
<b>Project Start Date</b>	11/1/2021	<b>Project End Date</b>	5/1/2022
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<b>Subcontractor:</b> Phone: Emergency Phone number:	Eastern Environmental Solutions Inc. 631.727.2700 631.774.9821		
<b>APPROVALS:</b> The following signatures constitute approval of this Health & Safety Plan			
<p>Electronic Signatures</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="width: 60%;"><u>Project Manager – Mari Cate Conlon</u></div> <div style="width: 30%;">Date</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 20px;"> <div style="width: 60%;"><u>Corporate Health &amp; Safety – Brian Ferguson</u></div> <div style="width: 30%;">Date</div> </div>			
<p>This document is valid for a maximum time period of one year after completion. The document must be reviewed if the scope of work or nature of site hazards changes and must be updated as warranted.</p>			

# PROJECT INFORMATION

Site Overview/History					
<b>Site Classification:</b>	Petroleum Retail Station (Commercial)	<b>Site Status:</b>	Active	<b>Regulatory Authority:</b>	OSHA
Project Summary					
<p>This Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan addresses the health and safety practices and procedures that will be exercised by all Haley &amp; Aldrich employees participating in all work on the Project Site. This plan is based on an assessment of the site-specific health and safety risks available to Haley &amp; Aldrich and A Haley &amp; Aldrich's experience with other similar project sites. The scope of work includes the following:</p> <p><u>Implementation of Remedial Investigation Work Plan (RIWP):</u>            Advancement of soil borings and soil sampling; installation of permanent groundwater monitoring wells and groundwater sampling; and installation of sub-slab/soil vapor probes and sub-slab/soil vapor sampling.</p> <p><u>Implementation of Interim Remedial Measure Work Plan (IRMWP):</u>            Removal of all existing building structures, pump islands, the overhead canopy and the USTs and associated impacted soils, in preparation of site-wide remediation.</p> <p>The tasks are subject to Haley &amp; Aldrich's oversight and/or conducting are listed below:</p>					
<b>Task 001</b>		<b>Task Name: Drilling</b>			
Oversee installation of soil borings, permanent groundwater monitoring wells, and soil vapor implants by Eastern Environmental Solutions using a limited access Geoprobe drilling rig. Eastern Environmental Solutions will provide a one call mark out prior to drilling.					
Start Date: 11-1-2021		End Date: 5-1-2022			
H&A Site Supervisor: Zach Simmel		Subcontractor: Eastern Environmental Solutions			
<b>Task 002</b>		<b>Task Name: Soil, Groundwater &amp; Sub-Slab/Soil Vapor Sampling</b>			
Collect soil samples, groundwater samples, and sub-slab/soil vapor samples in laboratory provided containers as part of Remedial Instigation (RI) activities.					
Start Date: 11-1-2021		End Date: 5-1-2022			
H&A Site Supervisor: Zach Simmel		Subcontractor: Eastern Environmental Solutions			
<b>Task 3</b>		<b>Task Name: Remedial Oversight</b>			
Perform remedial oversight during implementation of the approved remedy, per the IRMWP. Task includes soil disposal tracking, waste characterization soil sampling, confirmation soil sampling and implementation off Community Air Monitoring Program (CAMP).					
Start Date: 11-1-2021		End Date: 5-1-2022			
H&A Site Supervisor: Zach Simmel		Subcontractor: N/A			

# HAZARD ASSESSMENT AND CONTROLS

The following site and task specific hazards have been identified. Associated controls have been defined and are also listed below.

## Site Chemical Hazards

Potential contaminants of concern at the site include volatile organic compounds (VOCs) (i.e., benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes [BTEX] and naphthalene).

**Source of Information: Unknown contaminants/not well characterized, potential for contaminants based on urban fill and site knowledge.**

COC	Location/Media	Concentration (Soil)	Concentration (Groundwater)
BTEX	Soil	TCLP toluene = 85 ug/L TCLP ethylbenzene = 12 ug/L TCLP xylenes = 94 ug/L TCLP n-propylbenzene = 13 ug/L TCLP 1,2,4-trimethylbenzene = 120 ug/L TCLP 1,3,5-trimethylbenzene = 30 ug/L TCLP n-butylbenzene = 22 ug/L TCLP sec-butylbenzene = 5.2 ug/L	N/A
Naphthalene	Soil	TCLP naphthalene = 49 ug/L	N/A

### BTEX, Naphthalene (VOCs)

BTEX is an acronym for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylenes. These compounds are VOCs, are common in petroleum-related products (e.g., oil, gasoline, coal-tar DNAPL, etc.), and frequently co-occur at hazardous waste sites. Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes have acute and chronic harmful effects on the central nervous system. Benzene is classified as a carcinogen. Short-term health effects of low-level BTEX exposure include drowsiness, dizziness, accelerated heart rate, headaches, tremors, confusion, and unconsciousness.

VOCs include all organic compounds (substances made up of predominantly carbon and hydrogen) with boiling temperatures in the range of 50-260 degrees C, excluding pesticides. This means that they are likely to be present as a vapor or gas in normal ambient temperatures. Substances which are included in the VOC category include aliphatic hydrocarbons (such as hexane), aldehydes, aromatic hydrocarbons (such as benzene, toluene, and the xylenes or BTEX), and oxygenated compounds (such as acetone and similar ketones). The term VOC often is used in a legal or regulatory context and in such cases the precise definition is a matter of law.

VOCs are released from oil and gasoline refining, storage and combustion as well as from a wide range of industrial processes. Processes involving fuels, solvents, paints or the use of chemicals are the most significant sources. VOCs may also be emitted from cleaning products, degreasing products, fabrics, carpets, plastic products, glues, printed material, varnishes, wax, disinfectants, and cosmetics.

Typically, VOCs are present in gas or vapor and will enter the body by breathing contaminated air. Higher concentrations of VOCs may occur in areas of poor ventilation.

## Site Hazards and Controls

### Site Hazard Summary

Sun	Slips, Trips, Falls	Urban Fill
Cold Temperature		

### SUN

#### Hazard Information

Acute excessive exposure to solar radiation may cause painful sunburn, and chronic exposure may contribute to eye damage and skin cancer. The average peak intensity of solar ultraviolet (UV) radiation is at midday. Most of the total daily UV is received between 10 AM and 2 PM. UV radiation can reflect off of water, concrete, light colored surfaces, and snow. Cloud cover can reduce UV levels, but overexposure may still occur.

Use the shadow test to determine sun strength: If your shadow is shorter than you are, the sun's rays are at their peak, and it is important to protect yourself.

#### Controls

- Wear light-colored, closely woven clothing, which covers as much of the body as practicable.
- Use sunscreens with broad spectrum protection (against both UVA and UVB rays) and sun protection factor (SPF) values of 30 or higher. Ideally, about 1 ounce of sunscreen (about a shot glass or palmful) should be used to cover the arms, legs, neck, and face of the average adult. Sunscreen needs to be reapplied at least every 2 hours to maintain protection.
- Hats should be worn and should be wide brimmed, protecting as much of the face, ears, and neck as possible. Hats should also provide ventilation around the head. Sunscreen should be applied to areas around the head not protected by the hat (ears, lips, neck, etc.).
- Wear sunglasses while working outdoors. Sunglasses should allow no more than 5% of UVA and UVB penetration and must also meet the ANSI Z87.1 standard for safety glasses.
- Use natural or artificial shade, where possible.

### URBAN FILL

#### Hazard Information

Urban Fill consists of historically placed soil materials commonly found in urban areas, and typically comprised of a heterogeneous mixture of granular and fine-grained solids containing various proportions of gravel and cobbles, construction and demolition debris, coal ash, wood ash or other deleterious materials. Urban fill usually contains anthropogenic levels of metals, petroleum hydrocarbons and/or polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) due to non-point sources and/or which originated prior to placement.

### Controls

- Physical Hazards: Urban fill can contain debris such as glass, ceramics, rebar, wire, wood, nails, and other objects that contain sharp edges. Personnel should use caution and wear appropriate gloves (e.g., leather) to prevent cuts associated with handling material containing sharp and abrasive edges.
- Personal Hygiene: Always wash hands prior to and after eating and drinking. Take off work boots prior to getting in your car and going home which will help prevent introducing potentially contaminated soils to your car and home. Wash work clothing separately from non-work clothes to prevent clothing impacted by soil from urban fill to be cross contaminated with other clothing. Use chemical resistant gloves when handling soil to prevent contact with skin.
- Control the dust from urban fill material. Measures should be taken to prevent dust, such as wetting the material or covering the stockpiles.

## SLIPS AND TRIPS

### Hazard Information

Slip and trip injuries are the most frequent injuries to workers. Both slips and trips result from some kind of unintended or unexpected change in the contact between the foot and the ground or walking surface. This shows that good housekeeping, quality of walking surfaces (flooring), awareness of surroundings, selection of proper footwear, and appropriate pace of walking are critical to preventing fall accidents.

Site workers will be walking on a variety of irregular surfaces that may affect their balance. Extra care must be taken to walk cautiously near any surfaces that are unfamiliar or may have unseen slip or trip hazards such as rivers because the bottom of the riverbed maybe slick and may not be visible. Rocks, gradient changes, sandy bottoms, and debris may be present but not observable.

### Controls

- Take your time and pay attention to where you are going.
- Adjust your stride to a pace that is suitable for the walking surface and the tasks you are doing.
- Check the work area to identify hazards - beware of trip hazards such as wet floors, slippery floors, and uneven surfaces or terrain.
- Establish and utilize a pathway free of slip and trip hazards.
- Choose a safer walking route.
- Carry loads you can see over and are not so heavy as to increase your trip/slip probability.
- Keep work areas clean and free of clutter.
- Communicate hazards to on-site personnel and mitigate hazards as appropriate.

## COLD TEMPERATURES

### Hazard Information

Cold stress may occur at any time work is being performed during low ambient temperatures and high velocity winds. Because cold stress is common and potentially serious illnesses are associated with outdoor work during cold seasons, regular monitoring and other preventative measures are vital.

Staff members should consult OP1003-Cold Stress for additional information on cold weather hazards.

#### Cold Stress Conditions

**Frostbite:** Localized injury resulting from cold is included in the generic term "frostbite. There are several degrees of damage.

**Symptoms:** Frost nip or incident frostbite; sudden blanching or whitening of the skin.

- Superficial frostbite: Skin has a waxy or white appearance and is firm to the touch, but tissue beneath is resilient.
- Deep frostbite: Tissues are cold, pale, and solid; extremely serious injury.

#### **Treatment:**

- Bring the victim indoors and heat the areas quickly in water between 102° and 105° F.
  - Never place frostbitten tissue in hot water as the area will have a reduced heat awareness and such treatment could result in burns.
- Give the victim a warm drink (not coffee, tea, or alcohol).
  - The victim should not smoke or do anything that will inhibit blood circulation.
- Keep the frozen parts in warm water or covered with warm clothes for 30 minutes even though the tissue will be very painful as it thaws.
  - Elevate the injured area and protect it from injury.
  - Do not allow blisters to be broken. Use sterile, soft, dry material to cover the injured areas.
- Keep victim warm and get medical care immediately following first aid treatment.
- After thawing, the victim should try to move the injured areas slightly, but no more than can be done without assistance.

#### **Do NOT:**

- Rub the frostbitten area(s)
- Use ice, snow, gasoline, or anything cold on frostbite
- Use heat lamps or hot water bottles to rewarm the frostbitten area
- Place the frostbitten area near a hot stove

**Hypothermia:** Significant loss of body heat that is also a potential hazard during cold weather operations. Hypothermia is characterized as "moderate" or "severe".

#### **Symptoms:**

- Early hypothermia - Chills, pale skin, cold skin, muscle rigidity, depressed heart rate, and disorientation

- Moderate hypothermia - Any combination of severe shivering, abnormal behavior, slowing of movements, stumbling, weakness, repeated falling, inability to walk, collapse, stupor, or unconsciousness
- Severe hypothermia - Extreme skin coldness, loss of consciousness, faint pulse, and shallow, infrequent, or apparently absent respiration

Death is the ultimate result of untreated hypothermia. The onset of severe shivering signals danger to personnel; exposure to cold shall be immediately terminated for any severely shivering worker.

**Treatment:** Staff members should seek emergency medical treatment in the event of hypothermia. The following actions can be taken prior to obtaining medical treatment:

- Gently place patients in an environment most favorable to reducing further heat loss from evaporation, radiation, conduction, or convection.
- Remove wet clothing and replace it with dry blankets or sleeping bags.
- Initiate active external rewarming with heat packs (e.g., hot water bottles, chemical packs, etc.) placed in the areas of the armpits, groin, and abdomen.
- Be aware of the risk of causing body surface burns from excessive active external rewarming.

In dire circumstances, rescuers may provide skin-to-skin contact with patients when heat packs are unavailable and such therapy would not delay evacuation.

### Controls

- Recognize the environmental and workplace conditions that may be dangerous.
  - When the temperature is below 41° F, workers should be aware that cold stress is a potential hazard.
- Learn signs of cold-induced illnesses and injuries and how to help affected staff members.
  - Observe fellow staff members for signs of cold stress and administer first aid, where necessary.
- Staff members should maintain a clothing level that keeps them warm but dry (not sweating).
  - Staff should wear thermal clothing including gloves and footwear and beneath chemical resistant clothing, when appropriate.
  - Workers should have a spare set of clothing in case work clothes are not warm enough or become wet.
  - If a worker begins to sweat, he/she should remove a layer.
  - If clothing becomes wet and temperatures are below 36° F, clothing must be immediately replaced with dry clothing.
- A warm area for rest breaks should be designated.
  - In cold temperatures, rotate shifts of workers with potential cold stress exposure or take periodic breaks to allow recovery from cold stress.
  - Do not go into the field alone when cold stress could occur.
- Avoid fatigue or exhaustion because energy is needed to keep muscles warm.
- Workers should drink warm liquids (non-alcoholic, non-caffeinated) periodically throughout their shifts so they do not get dehydrated.

## Task Specific Hazards

**Task 001 – Drilling** – Drilling, such as associated with installation of soil borings, monitoring wells, and soil vapor probes is conducted for a range of services. Familiarity with basic drilling safety is an essential component of all drilling projects. Potential hazards related to drilling operations include but are not limited to encountering underground or overhead utilities, traffic, heavy equipment, hoisting heavy tools, steel impacts, open rotation entanglement, and the planned or unexpected encountering of toxic or hazardous substances. While staff members do not operate drilling equipment, they may work in close proximity to operating drilling equipment and may be exposed to many of the same hazards as the subcontractor. It is imperative that staff are aware of emergency stops and establish communication protocols with the drillers prior to the start of work. See OP 1002 Drilling Safety.

### Potential Hazards

Overhead Utilities	Ground Disturbance	Underground Utilities	Noise
Heavy Equipment	Line of Fire	Ergonomics	Generated Waste

**Task 002 – Soil, Groundwater & Sub-Slab/Soil Vapor Sampling** – Soil sampling by H&A staff can be conducted in conjunction with a wide range of activities. These activities can include but are not limited to: drill spoil characterization and management during building foundation element installation, characterization of excavated soils for management/disposal/reuse during earthwork activities, and as part of environmental remedial activities such as delineation and confirmation sampling. Familiarity with basic heavy construction safety, site conditions (geotechnical and environmental), and potential soil contaminants are essential components of soil sampling performed on active sites. Potential hazards related to soil sampling at construction sites include but are not limited to: encountering site vehicle traffic and heavy equipment operations, manual lifting, generated waste, contact or exposure to impacted soil, and encountering unknown toxic or hazardous substances. Although soil sampling is commonly performed within active excavations, from stockpiles, or within trench excavations, sampling locations and situations will vary depending on site conditions. Care should be taken ensuring that the sampling area is not being actively accessed by construction equipment. Care should also be taken with handling of potentially environmentally impacted soil during sampling, with appropriate PPE identified and used. At no time during classification activities are personnel to reach for debris near machinery that is in operation, place any samples in their mouth, or come in contact with the soils without the use of gloves. Staff will have to carry and use a variety of sampling tools, equipment, containers, and potentially heavy sample bags. It is imperative that staff are aware of emergency / communication protocols with the Contractor prior to the start of work.

### Potential Hazards

Line of Fire	Ergonomics	Generated Waste	
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**Task 003 – Remedial Oversight** –Remedial oversight may require working in close proximity to heavy equipment and may be exposed to many of the same hazards as the subcontractor. It is imperative that staff are aware of emergency stops and establish communication protocols with the drillers prior to the start of work. See OP 1002 Drilling Safety.

**Potential Hazards**

Noise	Heavy Equipment	Ergonomics	Line of Fire
Ground Disturbance	SIMOPS	Congested Area	

**Top Task Specific Hazards**

**Overhead Utilities**

When work is undertaken near overhead electrical lines, the distance maintained from those lines shall also meet the minimum distances for electrical hazards as defined in Table 1 below. Note: utilities other than overhead electrical utilities need to be considered when performing work

**Table 1 Minimal Radial Clearance Distances \***

Normal System Voltage Kilovolts (kV)	Required Minimal Radial Clearance Distance (feet/meters)
0 – 50	10/3.05
51 – 100	12/3.66
101 – 200	15/4.57
201 – 300	20/6.1
301 – 500	25/7.62
501 – 750	35/10.67
750 – 1000	45/13.72

\* For those locations where the utility has specified more stringent safe distances, those distances shall be observed.

**Controls**

- To prevent damage, guy wires shall be visibly marked, and work barriers or spotters provided in those areas where work is being conducted.
  - When working around guy wires, the minimum radial clearance distances for electrical power shall be observed.
- The PM shall research and determine if the local, responsible utility or client has more restrictive requirements than those stated in Table 1.
- If equipment cannot be positioned in accordance with the requirements established in Table 1 the lines need to be de-energized.

## Ground Disturbance

Ground disturbance is defined as any activity disturbing the ground. Ground disturbance activities include, but are not limited to, excavating, trenching, drilling (either mechanically or by hand), digging, plowing, grading, tunneling and pounding posts or stakes.

Because of the potential hazards associated with striking an underground utility or structure, the operating procedure for underground utility clearance shall be followed prior to performing any ground disturbance activities.

See OP1020 Working Near Utilities

### Controls

Prior to performing ground disturbance activities, the following requirements should be applied:

- Confirm all approvals and agreements (as applicable) either verbal or written have been obtained.
- Request for line location has been registered with the applicable One-Call or Dial Before You Dig organization, when applicable
  - Whenever possible, ground disturbance areas should be adequately marked or staked prior to the utility locators site visit.
- Notification to underground facility operator/owner(s) that may not be associated with any known public notification systems such as the One-Call Program regarding the intent to cause ground disturbance within the search zone.
- Notifications to landowners and/or tenant, where deemed reasonable and practicable.
- Proximity and Common Right of Way Agreements shall be checked, if the line locator information is inconclusive.

## Underground Utilities

Various forms of underground/overhead utility lines or conveyance pipes may be encountered during site activities. Prior to the start of intrusive operations, utility clearance is mandated, as well as obtaining authorization from all concerned public utility department offices. Should intrusive operations cause equipment to come into contact with utility lines, the SSO, Project Manager, and Regional H&S Manager shall be notified immediately. Work will be suspended until the client and applicable utility agency is contacted and the appropriate actions for the situation can be addressed.

See OP1020 Work Near Utilities for complete information.

### Controls

- Obtain as-built drawings for the areas being investigated from the property owner;
- Visually review each proposed soil boring location with the property owner or knowledgeable site representative;
- Perform a geophysical survey to locate utilities;
- Hire a private line locating firm to determine the location of utility lines that are present at the property;
- Identifying a no-drill or dig zone;
- Hand dig or use vacuum excavation in the proposed ground disturbance locations if insufficient data is unavailable to accurately determine the location of the utility lines.

## Noise

Working around heavy equipment (drill rigs, excavators, etc.) often creates excessive noise. The effects of noise can include physical damage to the ear, pain, and temporary and/or permanent hearing loss. Workers can also be startled, annoyed, or distracted by noise during critical activities. Noise monitoring data that indicates that work locations within 25 feet of operating heavy equipment (e.g., drill rigs, earthworking equipment) can result in exposure to hazardous levels of noise (levels greater than 85 dBA).

See OP 1031 Hearing Conservation for additional information.

### Controls

- Personnel are required to use hearing protection (earplugs or earmuffs) within 25 feet of any operating piece of heavy equipment.
- Limit the amount of time spent at a noise source.
- Move to a quiet area to gain relief from hazardous noise sources.
- Increase the distance from the noise source to reduce exposure.

## Heavy Equipment

Staff members must be careful and alert when working around heavy equipment since equipment failure or breakage and limited visibility can lead to accidents and worker injury. Heavy equipment such as cranes, drills, haul trucks, or others can fail during operation increasing the likelihood of worker injury. Equipment of this nature should be visually inspected and checked for proper working order prior to the commencement of field work. Those that operate heavy equipment must meet all of the requirements to operate heavy equipment. Haley & Aldrich, Inc. staff members that supervise projects or are associated with such high risk projects that involve digging or drilling should use due diligence when working with a construction firm.

See OP1052 Heavy Equipment for additional information.

### Controls

- Only approach equipment once you have confirmed contact with the operator (e.g., the operator places the bucket on the ground).
- Maintain visual contact with operators at all times and keep out of the strike zone whenever possible.
- Always be alert to the position of the equipment around you.
- Always approach heavy equipment with an awareness of the swing radius and traffic routes of each piece of equipment and never go beneath a hoisted load.
- Avoid fumes created by heavy equipment exhaust.
- Understand the site traffic pattern and position yourself accordingly.

## Line of Fire

Line of fire refers to the path an object will travel. Examples of line of fire typically observed on project sites include lifting/hoisting, lines under tension, objects that can fall or roll, pressurized objects, springs or stored energy, work overhead, vehicles, and heavy equipment.

### Controls

The following precautions should be observed for tension and pressure:

- Be aware and stay clear of tensioned lines such as cable, chain, and rope.
- Use only correct gripping devices. Select proper equipment based on size and load limit.
- Be cautious of torque stresses that drilling equipment and truck augers can generate. Equipment can rotate unexpectedly long after applied torque force has been stopped.
- Springs come in a variety of shapes and sizes, and can release tremendous energy if compression as tension is suddenly released.
- Ensure tanks are stored upright and are in good condition, and be aware of potential failures or pressurized lines and fittings
- Items under tension and pressure can release tremendous energy if it is suddenly released.

The following precautions should be observed for objects that can fall or roll:

- Not all objects may be overhead; be especially mindful of top-heavy items and items being transported by forklift or flatbed.
- Secure objects that can roll such as tools, cylinders, and pipes.
- Stay well clear of soil cuttings, soil stockpiles generated during drilling operations and excavations, be aware that chunks of dirt, rocks, and debris can fall or roll.
- Establish a drop zone that is free of any tools and/or debris.

The following precautions should be observed for working in proximity to vehicles and heavy equipment:

- Use parking brakes and wheel chocks for any vehicle or equipment parked on an incline.
- When working near moving, heavy equipment such as line trucks and cranes, remain in operator's full view. Obtain operator's attention prior to approaching equipment.
- Vacate the back of the bucket truck when the boom is being moved or cradled. Get the operator's attention if you must get into the back of the truck so he or she can stop boom movement.

Take precautions for all pedestrian and vehicle traffic when positioning vehicles and equipment at a job site.

## Posture/Ergonomics

Most Work-related Musculoskeletal Disorders (WMSDs) are caused by Ergonomic Stressors. Ergonomic Stressors are caused by poor workplace practices and/or insufficient design, which may present ergonomic risk factors. These stressors include, but are not limited to, repetition, force, extreme postures, static postures, quick motions, contact pressure, vibration, and cold temperatures.

WMSDs are injuries to the musculoskeletal system, which involves bones, muscles, tendons, ligaments, and other tissues in the system. Symptoms may include numbness, tightness, tingling, swelling, pain, stiffness, fatigue, and/or redness. WMSD are usually caused by one or more Ergonomic Stressors. There may be individual differences in susceptibility and symptoms among employees performing similar tasks. Any symptoms are to be taken seriously and reported immediately.

### Controls

Recommended controls, including Administrative, Work Practice, and/or Engineering Controls, will be put in place based on the interview results and/or after an ergonomic assessment. H&S and/or HP will work with staff members and their staff managers to implement Administrative and Work Practice Controls to control risk associated with ergonomic stressors. In addition, simple Engineering Controls may be implemented, such as use of a keyboard and/or mouse tray, replacing a mouse with a more ergonomic model, and/or changing workstation set up.

## Generated Waste

Excess sample solids, decontamination materials, rags, brushes, poly sheeting, etc. that are determined to be free of contamination through field or laboratory screening can usually be disposed into client-approved, on-site trash receptacles. Uncontaminated wash water may be discarded onto the ground surface away from surface water bodies in areas where infiltration can occur. Contaminated materials must be segregated into liquids or solids and drummed separately for off-site disposal.

All wastes generated shall be containerized in an appropriate container (i.e. open or closed top 55-gallon drum, roll-off container, poly tote, cardboard box, etc.) as directed by the PM. Prior to putting waste containers into service, the containers should be inspected for damages or defects. Waste containers should be appropriately labeled indicating the contents, date the container was filled, owner of the material (including address) and any unique identification number, if necessary. Upon completion of filling the waste container, the container should be inspected for leaks and an appropriate seal.

## Congested Area

- Provide barricades, fencing, warning signs or signals and adequate lighting to protect people while working in or around congested areas.
- Vehicles and heavy equipment with restricted views to the rear should have functioning back-up alarms that are audible above the surrounding noise levels. Whenever possible, use a signaler to assist heavy equipment operators and/or drivers in backing up or maneuvering in congested areas.
- Lay out traffic control patterns to eliminate excessive congestion.
- Workers in congested areas must wear high visibility clothing at all times.
- Be aware of Line of Fire hazards when performing work activities in congested areas.
- Hazards associated with SIMOPs should be discussed daily at Tailgate Safety Meetings.

## Simultaneous Operations (SIMOPS)

SIMOPS are described as the potential class of activities which could bring about an undesired event or set of circumstances, e.g., safety, environment, damage to assets, schedule, commercial, financial, etc. SIMOPS are defined as performing two or more operations concurrently.

It is important that SIMOPS are identified at an early stage before operations commence to understand issues such as schedule clashes, physical clashes, maintenance activities, failure impacts, interferences between vessels, contracts and third part interfaces and environmental impacts.

SIMOPS can occur when H&A projects are executed at active facilities (e.g., installing a monitoring well in a parking lot of a manufacturing plant).

### Controls

- Coordinate project with site activities.
- Identify and understand the hazards associated with the host/client's activities.
- Integrate site emergency response protocols where appropriate and communicate to all project staff.
- Integrate site communication protocols and communicate to all project staff.

# TASK PPE AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT

The personal protective equipment and safety equipment (if listed) is specific to the associated task. The required PPE and equipment listed must be on site during the task being performed. Work shall not commence unless the required PPE is present.

The purpose of PPE is to provide a barrier, which will shield or isolate staff members from the physical, biological, chemical, and/or radiological hazards that may be encountered during task activities.

<b>Required PPE</b>	<b>TASK 001</b>	<b>TASK 002</b>	<b>TASK 003</b>
<b>Hard hat</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Safety glasses</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Hard-toed Boots</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Gloves</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Long pants and 4" long sleeve shirt</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Safety vest (Class 2)</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Hearing Protection</b>	<b>X</b>		
<b>Facial Covering</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>COVID-19 PPE &amp; Supplies</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>X</b>

# TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

The table below lists the training requirements staff must have respective to their assigned tasks and that required to access the site.

<b>Task Specific Training</b>	
<b>Required Training: OSHA 40-hour HAZWOPER, 8-hour HAZWOPER Refresher, On Site training</b>	<b>Task 001 and Task 002</b>
<b>Required Training: OSHA 40-hour HAZWOPER, 8-hour HAZWOPER Refresher, On Site training, 10 hour OSHA Construction Training</b>	<b>Task 003</b>

# SITE CONTROL

The overall purpose of site control is to minimize potential contamination of workers, protect the public from the site's hazards, and prevent vandalism. Site control is especially important in emergency situations. The degree of site control necessary depends on site characteristics, site size, and the surrounding community. The following information identifies the elements used to control the activities and movements of people and equipment at the project site.

## Communication

### Internal

H&A site personnel will communicate with other H&A staff member and/or subcontractors or contractors with:

- Face-to-Face Communication at a minimum of 6ft distance

### External

H&S site personnel will use the following means to communicate with off-site personnel or emergency services.

- Cell Phones

## Visitors

### Project Site

Will visitors be required to check-in prior to accessing the project site?

- Yes
- All Visitors shall be briefed on COVID-19 protocols and PPE. Visitors not briefed, or that do not have the appropriate PPE will be asked to leave the site.

### Visitor Access

Authorized visitors that require access to the project site need to be provided with known information with respect to the site operations and hazards as applicable to the purpose of their site visit. Authorized visitors must have the required PPE and appropriate training to access the project site.

## Zoning

### Work Zone

The work zone will be clearly delineated to ensure that the general public or unauthorized worker access is prevented. The following will be used:

- Flagging tape
- Cones
- Proper Signage

## Project Site - Access

### Work Hours

The following measure(s) will be used to control site entry and exit during site hours.

- Site is gated and fenced

### After Hours

The following measure(s) will be used to control site entry and exit during hours that the site is not operating.

- None

### Site Traffic Control

Is the work planned to be conducted on a public roadway or a public right-of-way?

- No

### Restrooms

Available nearby restrooms include the following (COVID PPE to be worn and hand sanitization to occur before and after use of facilities)

- Speedway Gas Station (Site): 1885 Atlantic Avenue
- McDonald's: 1883 Atlantic Avenue
- Popeyes Louisiana Kitchen: 1994 Atlantic Avenue

# SPILL CONTAINMENT

An evaluation was conducted to determine the potential for hazardous substance spills at this site. This evaluation indicates that there is no potential for a hazardous spill of sufficient size to require containment planning, equipment, and procedures.

# DECONTAMINATION

All possible and necessary steps shall be taken to reduce or minimize contact with chemicals and contaminated/impacted materials while performing field activities (e.g., avoid sitting or leaning on, walking through, dragging equipment through or over, tracking, or splashing potential or known contaminated/impacted materials, etc. ).

## Personal Hygiene Safeguards

The following minimum personal hygiene safeguards shall be adhered to:

1. No smoking or tobacco products on any Hazwoper project.
2. No eating or drinking in the exclusion zone.
3. It is required that personnel present on site wash hands before eating, smoking, taking medication, chewing gum/tobacco, using the restroom, or applying cosmetics and before leaving the site for the day.
4. It is recommended that personnel present on site shower or bathe at home at the end of each day of working on the site.

## Personal Decontamination

Outer gloves and boots should be decontaminated periodically as necessary and at the end of the day. Brush off solids with a hard brush and clean with soap and water or other appropriate cleaner whenever possible. Remove inner gloves carefully by turning them inside out during removal. Wash hands and forearms frequently. It is good practice to wear work-designated clothing while on-site which can be removed as soon as possible. Non-disposable overalls and outer work clothing should be bagged onsite prior to laundering. If gross contamination is encountered on-site contact the Project Manager and Regional Health and Safety Manager to discuss proper decontamination procedures.

The steps required for decontamination will depend upon the degree and type of contamination but will generally follow the sequence below.

1. Remove and wipe clean hard hat
2. Rinse boots and gloves of gross contamination
3. Scrub boots and gloves clean
4. Rinse boots and gloves
5. Remove outer boots (if applicable)
6. Remove outer gloves (if applicable)
7. Remove Tyvek coverall (if applicable)
8. Remove respirator, wipe clean and store (if applicable)
9. Remove inner gloves (if out gloves were used)

PPE that is not grossly contaminated can be bagged and disposed in regular trash receptacles

This decontamination procedure is applicable to Tasks: 002 and 003

### **Small Equipment Decontamination**

Pretreatment of heavily contaminated equipment may be conducted as necessary:

1. Remove gross contamination using a brush or wiping with a paper towel
2. Soak in a solution of Alconox and water (if possible)
3. Wipe off excess contamination with a paper towel

Standard decontamination procedure:

1. Wash using a solution of Alconox and water
2. Rinse with potable water
3. Rinse with methanol
4. Rinse with distilled/deionized water

Inspect the equipment for any remaining contamination and repeat, as necessary.

This decontamination procedure is applicable to Tasks: 002 and 003

### **Standard Disposal Methods for Contaminated Materials**

Excess sample solids, decontamination materials, rags, brushes, poly sheeting, etc. that are determined to be free of contamination through field screening can usually be disposed into client-approved, on-site trash receptacles. Contaminated materials must be segregated into liquids or solids and drummed separately for off-site disposal as defined by and in accordance with applicable regulatory requirements.

### **Standard Disposal Methods for Contaminated Soils**

Contaminated soil cuttings and spoils must be drummed for disposal off-site. Soil cuttings and spoils determined to be free of contamination through field screening can usually be returned to the boreholes or excavations from which they came

# EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

## Medical

If there is an injury or illness associated with an H&A staff member on the job-site, stop work, stabilize the situation, and secure the site. Assess the severity of the injury or illness to determine the appropriate course of action as listed below.

➤ First Aid Injury

First aid will be addressed using the on-site first aid kit. H&A employees are not required or expected to administer first aid/CPR to any H&A staff member, Contractor, or Civilian personnel at any time and it is H&A's position that those who do, are doing it on their behalf, and not as a function of their job.

➤ Injury or illness requiring clinic/hospital visit **WITHOUT** ambulance service

Injuries or illnesses requiring hospital service without ambulance services include minor lacerations, minor sprains, etc. The following action will be taken:

- The H&A SSO will ensure prompt transportation of the injured person to the clinic or hospital identified in the safety plan.
- Another H&A staff member, or contractor on-site, will always drive the injured staff member to the medical facility and remain at the facility until the staff member has been discharged. Staff members will not self-transport to the clinic or hospital.
- If the injured staff member is able to return to the job site the same day, he/she will bring with him/her a statement from the doctor containing such information as:
  - Date
  - Employee's name
  - Diagnosis
  - Date he/she is able to return to work, regular or light duty
  - Date he/she is to return to doctor for follow-up appointment, if necessary
  - Signature and address of doctor

➤ Injury or illness requiring a hospital visit **WITH** ambulance service

Injuries or illnesses requiring hospital service with ambulance services include severe head injuries, severe lacerations, heart attacks, heat stroke, etc. The following steps will be taken immediately:

- Call for ambulance service and notify the H&A SSO.
- Comfort the individual until ambulance service arrives.
- While the injured employee is being transported, the H&A SSO will contact the medical facility to be utilized.
- One designated representative will accompany the injured employee to the medical facility and remain at the facility until final diagnosis and other relevant information is obtained.

### Notifications

For all injuries or illnesses notify the SSO and PM who in turn will contact Corporate H&S. Within 24 hours the injured staff member or PM will complete the H&S Reporting Form found on HANK. Minor cuts, scratches, and bruises shall also be reported through the H&S Reporting Form. Notify the client in accordance with their notification protocol. Depending on severity, Human Potential will as promptly as possible following an injury or illness, ensure appropriate notification has been made to the family of the individual involved.

## **Severe Weather**

Where the threat of electrical storms and the hazard of lightning exist, staff shall ensure that there is the ability to detect when lightning is in the near vicinity and when there is a potential for lightning and to notify appropriate site personnel of these conditions. The weather forecast will be checked on a daily basis and communicated at the daily safety tailgate meetings.

When lightning is detected or observed the information will be communicated to all crews in the field for appropriate action. Field supervisors will make the decision to stay put or to leave the work site. A location will be identified to marshal field staff in the event that staff are required to leave the job site. A similar decision process will be used during heavy rain events.

Staff shall seek appropriate shelter and not stay in the open.

## **Evacuation Alarms**

Verbal Communication will be used to communicate the evacuation alarm.

## **Emergency Services**

Cellular phone will be used to contact Emergency Services.

## **Emergency Evacuation Plan**

The site evacuation plan is as follows:

1. Establish a designated meeting area to conduct a head count in the event of an emergency evacuation.
2. If the work area is not near an emergency exit, exit via the closest route and meet at the designated meeting area.
3. Notify emergency response personnel (fire, police, and ambulance) of the number of missing or unaccounted for employees and their suspected location.
4. Administer first aid in the meeting area, as necessary.

Under no circumstances should any personnel re-enter the site area without the approval of the corporate H&S manager, the H&S coordinator, and the fire department official in charge.

# ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

## FIELD SAFETY MANAGER (FSM)

The Haley & Aldrich FSM, Brian Ferguson, is a full-time Haley & Aldrich staff member, trained as a safety and health professional, who is responsible for the interpretation and approval of this Safety Plan. Modifications to this Safety Plan cannot be undertaken by the PM or the SSO without the approval of the FSM.

Specific duties of the FSM include:

- Approving and amending the Safety Plan for this project
- Advising the PM and SSOs on matters relating to health and safety
- Recommending appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) and air monitoring instrumentation
- Maintaining regular contact with the PM and SSO to evaluate the conditions at the property and new information which might require modifications to the HASP and
- Reviewing and approving JSAs developed for the site-specific hazards.

## PROJECT MANAGER (PM)

The Haley & Aldrich PM, Mari Cate Conlon, is responsible for ensuring that the requirements of this HASP are implemented at that project location. Some of the PM's specific responsibilities include:

- Assuring that all personnel to whom this HASP applies have received a copy of it;
- Providing the RHSM with updated information regarding environmental conditions at the site and the scope of site work;
- Providing adequate authority and resources to the on-site SSO to allow for the successful implementation of all necessary safety procedures;
- Supporting the decisions made by the SSO;
- Maintaining regular communications with the SSO and, if necessary, the FSM;
- Coordinating the activities of all subcontractors and ensuring that they are aware of the pertinent health and safety requirements for this project;
- Providing project scheduling and planning activities; and
- Providing guidance to field personnel in the development of appropriate Job Safety Analysis (JSA) relative to the site conditions and hazard assessment.

## SITE SAFETY OFFICER

The SSO, Zach Simmel, is responsible for field implementation of this HASP and enforcement of safety rules and regulations. SSO functions may include some or all:

- Act as H&A's liaison for health and safety issues with client, staff, subcontractors, and agencies.
- Verify that utility clearance has been performed by H&A subcontractors.
- Oversee day-to-day implementation of the Safety Plan by H&A personnel on site.
- Interact with subcontractor project personnel on health and safety matters.
- Verify use of required PPE as outlined in the safety plan.
- Inspect and maintain H&A safety equipment, including calibration of air monitoring instrumentation used by H&A.
- Perform changes to HASP and document as needed and notify appropriate persons of changes.

- Investigate and report on-site accidents and incidents involving H&A and its subcontractors.
- Verify that site personnel are familiar with site safety requirements (e.g., the hospital route and emergency contact numbers).
- Report accidents, injuries, and near misses to the H&A PM and Field Safety Manager (FSM) as needed.

The SSO will conduct initial site safety orientations with site personnel (including subcontractors) and conduct toolbox and safety meetings thereafter with H&A employees and H&A subcontractors at regular intervals and in accordance with H&A policy and contractual obligations. The SSO will track the attendance of site personnel at H&A orientations, toolbox talks, and safety meetings.

### **FIELD PERSONNEL**

Haley & Aldrich personnel are responsible for following the health and safety procedures specified in this HASP and for performing their work in a safe and responsible manner. Some of the specific responsibilities of the field personnel are as follows:

- Reading the HASP in its entirety prior to the start of on-site work;
- Submitting a completed Safety Plan Acceptance Form and documentation of medical surveillance and training to the SSO prior to the start of work;
- Attending the pre-entry briefing prior to beginning on-site work;
- Bringing forth any questions or concerns regarding the content of the Safety Plan to the PM or the SSO prior to the start of work;
- Stopping work when it is not believed it can be performed safely;
- Reporting all accidents, injuries and illnesses, regardless of their severity, to the SSO;
- Complying with the requirements of this safety plan and the requests of the SSO; and
- Reviewing the established JSAs for the site-specific hazards on a daily basis and prior to each shift change, if applicable.

### **VISITORS**

Authorized visitors (e.g., Client Representatives, Regulators, Haley & Aldrich management staff, etc.) requiring entry to any work location on the site will be briefed by the Site Supervisor on the hazards present at that location. Visitors will be escorted at all times at the work location and will be responsible for compliance with their employer's health and safety policies. In addition, this safety plan specifies the minimum acceptable qualifications, training and personal protective equipment which are required for entry to any controlled work area; visitors must comply with these requirements at all times. Unauthorized visitors, and visitors not meeting the specified qualifications, will not be permitted within established controlled work areas.



# APPENDICES

## **Appendix A** – COVID-19 Fact Sheets and Forms

**APPENDIX A**  
**COVID-19 FACTSHEETS AND FORMS**



# COVID 19 Policy HASP Addendum Instructions

HEALTH & SAFETY FACTSHEET

## Incorporate the following into the HASP Addendum to protect field staff, business partners, clients, and the general public at project sites:

- COVID-19 is part of H&S planning and will be risk assessed prior to mobilization and approved by the Field Safety Manager.
- If we are not the controlling employer, ensure we understand what the project is doing for COVID-19 mitigation methods prior to mobilization.
- **Most sites have a COVID-19 Plan, it is your duty to obtain a copy of that plan.**

### Fit for Duty –

All subcontractors (if subcontracted to H&A), and visitors (if H&A is Controlling Employer) will sign the Self-Declaration form at the start of the project. Everyone must acknowledge the Fit for Duty of the Daily Tailgate form to affirm staff report fit for duty and symptom free each day.

- All employees working on a site controlled by another employer will self-certify to them that they have no COVID-19 symptoms, tested positive, nor have had known “close contact” with an individual who has tested positive and have not been asked to self-isolate by their doctor or local public health official.
- If you can’t self-certify, you must leave the site. If others can’t self-certify remove them from the site or notify their supervisor to remove them.

**ZERO TOLERANCE - Do not come to the site if you are sick, tested positive, or if you have been in close personal contact with someone with symptoms of COVID-19.**

**If others come to the site while sick, isolate yourself from them and ask them to leave or notify their supervisor.**

### Limit Potential Exposure –

- Do not enter job trailers or offices if possible. If you do enter, follow all requirements found in the Field Office/Trailer Use policy.
- Do not congregate with others and maintain a minimum distance of 6’. If you can maintain greater distances, please do so.
  - Tailgates should be done at distance
  - Bring food from home if possible and avoid the food truck. Do not congregate with other at breaks and at the food trucks.
- Clean all the surfaces you touch at least twice each day using the recommended disinfectants. This includes desks, tablets, phones, and laptops.
- Do all you can to maintain your good health by getting adequate sleep, eating a healthy diet, avoid alcohol, and consuming plenty of fluids.
- Face coverings are mandatory unless an approved task specific risk assessment has been completed.
- Avoid restaurants and food trucks and do not eat meals in a group.

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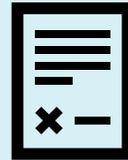
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The risk associated with potential exposure to COVID-19 will be considered as part of the project planning and HASP development cycle.



Have H&S review the HASP.



Business partners for sites managed by H&A (H&A Controlling Employer) will have completed the Self Declaration Form.



Approved and appropriate Personal Protective Equipment and supplies are used as indicated by the HASP.



# COVID 19 Policy HASP Addendum Instructions

HEALTH & SAFETY FACTSHEET

## Cleaning/sanitizing/disinfecting

- If a job office/trailer is present, See Field Office/Trailer policy for further guidance.
- Clean and disinfect rental vehicles and hotel spaces (see Fact Sheet).

## Personal Hygiene

- Wear gloves at all times. At a minimum cut resistant gloves should be worn at all times while on site.
- Handwashing or hand sanitizing should happen after using restrooms, before and after eating, coming onsite, and going offsite. If handwashing equipment isn't available, hand sanitizing products should be used (see Fact Sheet).
- Wear cloth face covering if there is a potential for staff and/or subcontractors to be within 6 feet of one another. See Fact Sheet for further guidance on Face Cloth Coverings.
- Avoid touching the face area (eyes, nose, mouth) at all times, even when wearing gloves (see Fact Sheet).

❖ **Please complete the following two pages for EACH project prior to beginning work.** Staff shall ensure that a COVID HASP Addendum is completed and reviewed prior to entering the field each day and includes the additions of any new tasks.



# COVID 19 Policy HASP Addendum

HEALTH & SAFETY FACTSHEET

## COVID-19 PROJECT SPECIFIC JOB HAZARD ANALYSIS

Does the client or Controlling Employer (if H&A is not controlling employer) have specific requirements related to COVID-19?

If yes, please attach the requirements.

Yes No

Do we have the necessary supplies on hand?

Yes No

(Supplies include face coverings, disinfectant, hand washing stations or sanitizer, and PPE.)

The following **must** be onsite( to acknowledge):

- Has the Tailgate Meeting Form been provided?
- Has the Hygiene Procedures Policy been provided?
- Has the What To Do if You Have Been Exposed policy been provided?
- Has the Face Covering policy been provided?
- Has the Sub-Contractor Self Declaration form (electronic or paper) been completed by all H&A subs?
- Has the Field Office/Trailer Use Policy been provided?
- Has the Work Practices Policy been provided?
- Has the Project Shutdown/Suspension policy been provided?

Is there staff travel involved with this project? (If yes please answer the following questions)

Yes No

Has the Travel Procedure policy been provided?

Yes No

Has the Interstate Travel Form been approved by the BU GM?

Yes No

### ❖ Complete the Job Hazard Analysis on the following page and return to H&S for review.

- Be as **detailed as possible** when breaking down the task being performed into individual steps that will be performed.
  - Example Tasks: Traveling to site, Drilling, Sampling, Breaks, Tailgate meetings, Equipment Breakdown etc.
- Identify if any of the steps will require staff or subcontractors to break the 6-foot social distance, and if so, what is the duration of that step.
- Identify what control measures will be implemented for each step to prevent the potential spread of COVID-19. For projects involving numerous tasks, each with several steps, extra space is required to complete a thorough JHA.
  - Example control measure: Sanitize after use, Drive in separate cars, Do not use field trailer, Use gloves when handling, Eat/Drink away from others etc.
- Use blank copies of the following page as needed.
- If staff have any questions or concerns when completing the JHA, please reach out to their Regional Health & Safety Manager or [HealthSafetyHelp@HaleyAldrich.com](mailto:HealthSafetyHelp@HaleyAldrich.com) for support.





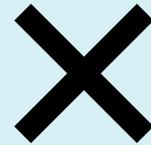
# COVID 19 Policy

## Face Covering Requirement

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### When entering the work environment, employ the following face covering practices:

- **Face covering is mandatory, unless an approved task specific risk assessment has been done stating it can be removed. 6' of social distancing is also required, the use of face coverings does not preclude you from social distancing.**
- Face coverings are not required when you are alone at your workstation or a task-specific assessment has been completed and approved by H&S.
- If it is a medical mask, ensure the proper side of the disposable covering faces outward. Most disposable coverings have white on the inside and a different color on the outside.
- **Maintain 6 feet social distancing practices.**
- When wearing a face covering, it should:
  - **cover your nose and mouth**
  - **fit snugly** but comfortably against the side of the face
  - **be secured** with ties or ear loops
  - **If it is reusable it should include multiple layers** of fabric
  - **allow for breathing** without restriction
- **Carefully remove face covering.** Be careful not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth when removing face covering and wash hands immediately after removing.
- **Contain reusable face covering after use.** Have a bag or bin to keep reusable face coverings in until they can be laundered. Disposable face coverings should be disposed after each shift or more frequently if needed.
- **Launder and dry.** Reusable face coverings should be laundered routinely based on frequency of use. Launder in hot water with detergent and dry on a hot cycle.
- **Request reimbursement.** Reusable face coverings are reimbursable for field staff assigned to projects. Disposable face covering are provided in the office or upon request.



- Face coverings are not a substitute for physical distancing, washing hands and staying home when ill.



- Wash hands or use hand sanitizer with more than 60% ethanol or 70% isopropanol immediately after removing face covering.



- Discard face coverings that: No longer cover the nose and mouth; Have stretched out or damaged ties or straps; Cannot stay on the face; Have holes or tears in the fabric.



# COVID 19 Policy

## Face Covering Requirement

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- DO continue to practice social distancing
- DO continue to wash hands routinely
- DO continue to cover your mouth when you sneeze or cough
- DO continue to carry EPA approved disinfectant with you
- DO continue to disinfect pens, tools, clipboards, door handles, cellphones, safety glasses, etc.
- DO use the CDC website as a reference to stay informed and current with COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>
- DO continue to check on state, local or municipal COVID-19 guidelines and restrictions
- DO continue to check the HANK COVID-19 resource page for updated information: <https://hank.haleyaldrich.com/staffcenter/SitePages/COVID-19%20Resources.aspx>
- DO contact Health & Safety with questions. Email [HealthSafetyHelp@haleyaldrich.com](mailto:HealthSafetyHelp@haleyaldrich.com) with questions.
- **DO wear your mask to completely cover your nose and mouth.**



- DO NOT come to work if you are sick, have any COVID-19 related symptoms, or have been exposed to someone who is COVID-19 positive or has COVID-19 symptoms in the last 14 days, even if you are wearing a face covering
- DO NOT use the face covering as a replacement for social distancing
- DO NOT forget to clean your reusable face covering after each use or after each day
- DO NOT wear N95 respirators unless you are approved and are up to date with the H&A Respiratory Protection Program
- DO NOT share face coverings, even if cleaned, with another employee
- DO NOT use a face covering as a substitute for a respirator that is required for specific tasks
- DO NOT touch your face or reach under your mask
- **DO NOT wear your face covering on your chin or so that your nose is exposed**
- DO NOT wear an ill-fitting face covering

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# COVID 19 Policy Field Office/Trailer Use

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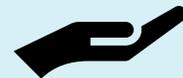
- **H&A Field Staff are not allowed to use a shared field office or trailer if:**
  - The occupancy is over the current State allowed limit.
  - It is not possible to maintain 6' of separation at all times.
  - The site is not following strict COVID protocol for physical distancing and mask use.
  - There is poor ventilation.
  - There are no sanitation programs or practices. If H&A employees have work areas in a shared field trailer controlled by others, obtain information from controlling employer on sanitation practices.
- The H&A Site Safety Officers are responsible for cleaning all common areas within a field office or trailer space.
- To clean, use disinfectants found on the EPA list. Disinfecting refers to products that kill germs and lowers the risk of spreading infection. If you are not currently using a disinfectant on these surfaces, please purchase them.
- Labels contain instructions for safe and effective use of the product including precautions you should take when applying the product, such as wearing gloves (Personal Protective Equipment) and making sure you have good ventilation during use of the product. Gloves should be discarded after each cleaning and disinfection.
- Provide disposable disinfecting wipes for staff to use on commonly used surfaces (ex. keyboards, desks, etc.), which can be wiped down by staff at their own workstations. Throw disinfecting wipes away after one use.
- Have hand sanitizer available at your common areas for staff use. Post the WHO Hand Rubbing poster near sanitizers.
- If offices/trailers are not controlled by H&A, we recommend staff wear disposable nitrile gloves while accessing commons spaces (ex. opening doors, copy areas, shared desks) to limit potential exposures in areas controlled by others.



Routinely clean (at least once per day) and disinfect all frequently touched surfaces in the workplace such as desktops, refrigerators, microwaves, coffee makers, doorknobs, etc.



Use approved cleaners and disinfectants as directed. Ensure proper personal protective equipment is used. Throw away disposable items after each use such as gloves and disinfecting wipes.



Provide hand sanitizers, soap, and disinfectants to employees, business partners, and visitors for personal use, and encourage everyone to clean their desks, phones, cell phones, chairs, etc.



# COVID 19 Policy Field Office/Trailer Use

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- EPA has an approved list of cleaners and disinfectants for the coronavirus that causes COVID-19.
- Many are common cleaners and disinfectants that may already be used in our offices, project sites, and in your homes.
- Check the updated list here:

<https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-coronavirus-covid-19>

**To assist in managing project office/trailer cleaning and disinfection, we have reserved this space for location specific information.**

Hand sanitizer, cleaners, and disinfectants used at this location and where they can be found  
*(Insert items being used):*

Schedule of cleaning and disinfection practices  
*(Insert practices for this location):*



### Emergency Procedures

If an emergency occurs, follow procedure outlined in the HASP and contact numbers below. If non-life-threatening injury occurs, contact PM to report the incident. Seek first-aid treatment from the Occupational Health Center, as outlined in the HASP.

Emergency Dispatch phone number if other than 911:	
Local Hospital:	Local Hospital Phone #:
Evacuation/Muster Point:	Alt Evacuation/Muster Point:

### Simultaneous Operations (SIMOPS)

<b>SIMOPS or Multi-Crew Activity</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	If yes, describe SIMOPS:
Has SIMOPS been communicated to all workforce?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>SIMOPS PIC:</b>			<b>Phone Number:</b>

### Task Identification

Task	Responsible Company	Task Supervisor

### Required Permits/Forms (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> None	<input type="checkbox"/> Lifting Plan	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
<input type="checkbox"/> Confined Space Entry Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Hot Work Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
<input type="checkbox"/> Lock-out / Tag-out (LOTO)	<input type="checkbox"/> Ground Disturbance Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
<input type="checkbox"/> Excavation Permit	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

### Discussion of Work Hazards (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Chemical	<input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous materials (lead, asbestos, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Radiological
<input type="checkbox"/> Confined space	<input type="checkbox"/> Hoisting and rigging	<input type="checkbox"/> Stored energy LOTO
<input type="checkbox"/> Congested work area	<input type="checkbox"/> Hot work	<input type="checkbox"/> Traffic control
<input type="checkbox"/> Elevated work	<input type="checkbox"/> Material handling	<input type="checkbox"/> Weather and/or temp extremes
<input type="checkbox"/> Ergonomics	<input type="checkbox"/> Noise pollution	<input type="checkbox"/> Waste generation
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency egress	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxygen deficiency	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

### Required PPE (check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Hearing Protection	Safety Eyewear	Hard Hat	Safety Toed Shoes	Leather or Palm Protective	Safety Vest	Protective Clothing	Respiratory Protection	PFD	Face Shield	Fall Protection

**Tailgate Topic / Hazard Discussion**

Item	Discussion

**Management of Change (MoC)**

Does the work activity require a MoC? If yes, has it been authorized by applicable management? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Has the safety information been updated to incorporate any change in product, equipment, material, or process? This information should include how to investigate accidents, audit compliance with safety procedures, and plan for emergency responses. <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Have the procedures for a MoC been reviewed and evaluated? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Have all affected staff been informed and trained on the new equipment, process, or other changes? Health and safety hazards must be emphasized including processes/procedures in an emergency. The training must occur before any staff is allowed to operate the equipment or perform the job relating to the changes. <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Have written procedures been put into place for the next time there is a change in safety management? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes

<b>Best Practice(s) Observed?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, describe:	<b>H&amp;S Observations/ Near Misses/ Incidents Reported?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, describe:
<b>Safe Work Interventions?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, describe:	<b>Have additional hazards and risk controls been identified for future work?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, update appropriate job hazard analysis (JHA).

**Site Safety & Health Officer Acknowledgement**

At the conclusion of the day, I certify that the work site has been inspected and is being left in a safe and clean condition and any incidents have been properly reported.

Signature

Date



## Project Shutdown/Suspension Covid-19

To be completed by Project Manager.

**Please be sure to include a copy of the contract controlling the project when submitting this form via email.**

If your project is shut down and/or suspended please provide the following information.

**Reason for project interruption/shut down:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Due to governmental action (e.g., 6 Bay Area counties' "Shelter In Place").

\_\_\_\_\_ By the client because of Covid-19.

\_\_\_\_\_ Other, Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**Client Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Name and Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of CL and MSL:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Names of subcontractors or subconsultants.**

**Description of the client's method of notification** (phone call, email from client, etc.).

**Description of the extent of the shutdown or suspension.** For example: Is it limited to field work?

Please email this completed form back to Pat McKee (Legal) at [pmckee@haleyaldrich.com](mailto:pmckee@haleyaldrich.com).

Thank you.



# COVID 19 Policy Roles & Responsibilities

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## ALL STAFF MEMBERS

- Accountable for complying with all general COVID policy included in the COVID documents, and for all Office specific requirements identified in the office specific HASP.
- Accountable for submitting a self-declaration form via Gensuite prior to any entry into Haley & Aldrich work environment, office or project site.
- Accountable for cleaning and disinfecting their space at least twice per day and more routinely if necessary.
- Accountable for cleaning and disinfecting common touch points in the office prior to and after using them (e.g., door handles, railings).
- Accountable for helping clean/disinfect common surfaces in the office at least twice per day and more routinely if possible.

## COVID RESPONSE LEADER

- Overall accountability for the COVID response within the office.
- Work with H&S to develop an effective Office COVID Health and Safety Plan (HASP) and continue to work with H&S to check and adjust the plan as needed.
- Responsible for monitoring local conditions to identify if local cases begin to rise, if there are changes to government orders, or issues with execution of the Office COVID HASP that would require Haley & Aldrich to consider re-closing the office.
- Work with the COVID Coordinator to identify weaknesses in the plan, the execution, and staff compliance and make corrections as needed.
- Support the COVID Coordinator in correcting staff behavior when necessary.
- Primary liaison with the General Manager and H&S on all COVID issues.
  - Report issues with the plan or the execution of the plan.
  - Report local concerns, changes in government orders, and COVID related case concerns.
  - Work with the GM and H&S to make on-going determinations to move forward in opening the office or step back.
- The COVID Response Leader does not need to be in the office on a daily basis.

To review all HASPs related to COVID-19, go to the HANK Health and Safety page. On the right-hand side, you will find links to the COVID resources.

All Office HASPs can be found by clicking on the “COVID-19” green button and then clicking on the “Click Here” link to the right of the title.

COVID-19  
STAFF CENTER RESOURCES

COVID-19  
OFFICE HASPS  
POLICY DOCUMENTS  
LEGAL INFORMATION  
FACT SHEETS  
POSTING COMMUNICATIONS

Office Health & Safety Plans: [Click here](#)



# COVID 19 Policy Roles & Responsibilities

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## COVID RESPONSE COORDINATOR

- Overall accountability for the daily execution of the COVID response within the office
- Works with the COVID Response Leader and H&S to develop the Office COVID Health and Safety Plan (HASP) and continue to work with the COVID Response Leader and H&S to check and adjust the plan as needed.
- Responsible for printing, completing and posting all signs and notices identified in the HASP.
- Responsible for checking that staff have filled out the daily self-declaration before entering the office. Staff who have not completed the declaration will not be allowed in the office.
- Responsible for performing the weekly audit to ensure the HASP is being executed properly and staff are compliant with expectations.
- Responsible for daily checks to ensure postings are still up and legible, hand sanitizer is available, and cleaning supplies are sufficiently stocked.
- Responsible for daily checks to ensure the HASP is being executed as planned.
- The COVID Coordinator does need to be in the office at least 3 days per week.



**Sub-contractor and Visitor Self-Declaration Form**

The safety of our employees, customers, families, and visitors remains Haley & Aldrich’s overriding priority. To prevent the spread of COVID-19 and reduce the potential risk of exposure to our employees and others, we are conducting a simple screening questionnaire. Your participation is important to help us take precautionary measures to protect you and everyone at this location.

Haley & Aldrich, Inc. will continue to monitor state and federal requirements and may make updates to our policy as warranted.

Name:	Personal Phone Number (mobile/home):
Company/Organization:	Haley & Aldrich Point of Contact:
Office/Project Site:	

If the answer is “yes” to any of the following questions and question 1a is not checked, access will be denied.

<b>Self-Declaration</b>	
1	Have you tested positive for COVID-19 or has a doctor confirmed you have a case of COVID-19?  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
1a	If the answer to question 1 is yes, have you been cleared by your doctor to return to work?  <input type="checkbox"/> I have been cleared to return to work.
2	Have you had close contact with or cared for someone diagnosed with COVID-19 within the last 14 days?  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
3	Have you experienced any cold or flu-like symptoms (to include fever, cough, sore throat, respiratory illness, difficulty breathing)? If yes, has it been less than 14 days since you experienced those symptoms?  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: If you plan to be at this location or project site for consecutive days, the Self-Declaration Form must be completed each day.**

**Access to location/project site (check one):      Approved      Denied**

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## What to do if you have been exposed

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Per [CDC](#): Look for **emergency warning signs\*** (trouble breathing, persistent pain or pressure in the chest, new confusion, inability to wake or stay awake, bluish lips or face) for COVID-19. If someone is showing any of these signs, **seek emergency medical care immediately**

\*This list is not all possible symptoms. Please call your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you.

- **Separate and isolate immediately** - If you are at work when notified or at the time of symptom onset, isolate and leave work immediately.
  - **Close Contact:** someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to test specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.
  - **Symptoms or illness:** fever, cough, sinus pain, reduced or altered sense of smell or taste, expectoration, stuffy nose, chills, repeated shaking with chills, fatigue, sore throat, headache, difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, joint or muscle pain, diarrhea, vomiting.
  - **Positive Test Result (Asymptomatic):** You have received a positive test result. When you receive the result, you are confirmed positive. The day you receive the result will be considered Day 0.
- Contact [COVIDHelp@haleyaldrich.com](mailto:COVIDHelp@haleyaldrich.com) as soon as it is safe to do so.
- A member of the Health & Safety staff will reach out to you to ask:
  - Specific details about your individual case
  - Who you have been in contact with at work
  - Any contact from state contact tracers
  - Project specific information
  - Other



If your state contact tracers contact you, you are obligated to follow their direction. Please record their direction and make this information available to H&S when they call.



Continue to monitor for symptoms (fever, cough, sinus pain, reduced or altered sense of smell or taste, expectoration, stuffy nose, chills, repeated shaking with chills, fatigue, sore throat, headache, difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, joint or muscle pain, diarrhea, vomiting). Seek medical attention if warranted.



# COVID 19 Policy

## What to do if you have been exposed

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### CDC Guidance for Close Contact

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html>

### CDC Guidance for Symptoms

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>

### CDC Guidance for Positive Test (Asymptomatic)

- <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/testing/diagnostic-testing.html#who-should-get-tested>

### H&A Policy for Case Management

- Staff members are required to report any close contact, symptoms, or positive test immediately to [COVIDHelp@haleyaldrich.com](mailto:COVIDHelp@haleyaldrich.com) any time that they have or had plans to enter the work environment during their COVID case (2 days prior to symptoms, positive test results, or close contact and 14 days after such time):
  - Any time staff leave their home for work, e.g., working on a project site, working in an H&A office, traveling for work, meeting with a client, etc.
  - They have been in or will be in contact with other staff, clients, sub-contractors or other work parties.
- Staff members are required to work with Health & Safety to detail their case. It is important that Health & Safety notify all potentially contacted parties as soon as possible.
  - Notification will be completely anonymous per privacy laws.
  - Notification will only be made, if there has been close contact, other potential for infection exists, or as required by site specific COVID protocol.
- Staff members are required to work with Health & Safety to quarantine until such time they are cleared to return to work.
  - Health & Safety will review CDC and State requirements for each case to ensure we provide appropriate direction to the staff member.
  - If the staff member is contacted by their state contact tracing program, they are expected to follow their direction, and to contact Health & Safety to share that direction.
  - Staff member will not return to work until approved by Health & Safety.
- H&A may provide a test kit to staff to expedite testing and to shorten quarantine times. These test kits are PCR saliva test kits.
- Due to the variation in state rules and cases, each case may be different as we ensure we address the person's concerns, the state's requirements, and the nature of the case.



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**The following must be completed and implemented prior to each time you enter the work environment (office, field, client site, travel or any other place you are to perform work duties):**

- **Staff must self-declare through Gensuite each morning before leaving their house to come into work.**
  - Staff must enter a self-declaration each time they enter the office, and
  - Staff must enter a separate self-declaration for project site. Staff may list multiple sites in the text field of the form.
- **Do not come in, if you are sick, have symptoms, or were in close contact with someone with COVID-19.**
- **Isolate others that are sick or have COVID-19 symptoms.** If another person on site does come into work or to the site sick, isolate them, and send them home if Haley & Aldrich is the controlling employer. If Haley & Aldrich is not the controlling employer, isolate yourself from the person, and inform the controlling employer accordingly. Report symptoms, illness, or close contact to [COVIDHelp@haleyaldrich.com](mailto:COVIDHelp@haleyaldrich.com) immediately.
- **Staff must wear a face covering at all times in the work environment** regardless of physical distancing, unless specifically exempted by H&S.
  - Staff shall use Company provided face covering while in our offices.
- **Staff should make every effort to host meetings virtually and avoid in person contact.**
- **All in-person meetings deemed essential must be pre-approved by the Office COVID Leader.** All Staff must always wear face coverings during meetings. Staff shall wear face coverings regardless of whether the meeting takes place in our office or off-site.
- **Staff must keep at least 6' apart at all times.** Floor markings and conference room markings have been put in place to illustrate appropriate distance for areas where employee(s) may congregate (i.e., administrator's desk, printer).
- **H&A staff will not host or participate in gatherings that require staff to remove their masks. Currently, the Company does not allow lunch, dinner, and/or drink meetings.**
- No communal food such as snacks, bagels, coffee, or creamers.
- All Personal Protective Equipment, supplies, and cleaning and disinfectants are ordered through Desmond Crawford.



**Employees sign in through Gensuite and self-declare:**

- **They have no symptoms:**
  - Fever
  - Cough
  - Sinus pain
  - Reduced or altered sense of smell or taste
  - Expectoration
  - Stuffy nose
  - Chills, repeated shaking with chills
  - Fatigue
  - Sore throat
  - Headache
  - Difficulty breathing, shortness of breath
  - Joint or muscle pain
  - Diarrhea
  - Vomiting
- **They have not been exposed to someone who has symptoms or has tested positive for COVID-19 within the past 14 days.**

**All staff are expected to comply with this policy and the Office Specific HASP.**

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## Employ the following good hygiene practices:

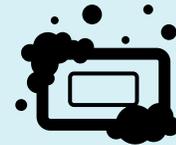
- **Practice social distancing.** Stay 6 feet away from other people. If possible, avoid use of shared site/job trailers. If shared spaces need to be utilized see Field Trailer Cleaning and Disinfection Guide.
- **Bring your own food.** If you can, bring your own food to the site. Avoid restaurants and food trucks to reduce potential exposure.
- **Cover your mouth.** Cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze by using a tissue that you immediately discard into a waste container or cough or sneeze into the inside of your elbow.
- **Wash frequently.** Wash your hands routinely with each change of glove or use hand sanitizer with greater than 60% ethanol or 70% isopropanol. Wash hands or use hand sanitizer after each time you cough or sneeze.
- **Don't touch your face, eyes, mouth.** Avoid touching your face throughout the day.
- **Do not reuse single use PPE.** Do not insert single use ear plugs with gloves on. Disinfect hands and then insert ear plugs.
- **Clean and disinfect.** Carry disinfectant from the EPA list with you and wipe down surfaces you touch prior to starting work and routinely throughout the day, including rental cars and hotel spaces as appropriate.
- **Frequently disinfect common touch points.** Clean and disinfect all supplies (pens, clipboards, etc.), tablets, cellphones, reusable equipment (meters, pumps, etc.), and non-disposable PPE (hardhats, safety glasses, earmuffs) at the end of each day.
- **Take care of your face covering.** When using face coverings, carefully remove, contain after use and launder. See Face Covering Fact Sheet.

### Office Reopening

- Staff shall not work in offices that are currently deemed closed. Contact Health & Safety if you have a need to work in a closed office.
- All re-opened offices will be audited to ensure adherence.



- Change and discard gloves routinely and after each time you cough or sneeze (see Fact Sheet, Glove Removal).



- Wash hands or use hand sanitizer with more than 60% ethanol or 70% isopropanol immediately after removing gloves.



- Avoid touching your face (eyes, nose, mouth), even when wearing gloves



<https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>

**APPENDIX B**  
**JOB SAFETY ANALYSES**



**INSERT PROJECT NAME**

**KEY TASK ENTER TASK NUMBER.: ENTER TASK NAME.**

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