

## EAL Analytical Methodology and Instrumentation

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| Analyte                             | Brief Methodology   | Instrumentation   |
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| Alkalinity                          | Potentiometric titration to end point pH 4.5. EPA Method 310.1.   | Acid-base titration device                                    |
| BOD5                                | Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) over 5-day incubation. APHA 5210 B.   | Hach  |
| Bulk Density*                       | Cylinder-Gravimetric (103-105C) method. ASTM D 2937 method.   | Oven ( $105 \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and Balance (1mg)        |
| Cl                                  | Ferricyanide colorimetry. EPA Method 325.2.   | Lachat QuikChem 8500 (Loveland, CO)                           |
| COD                                 | Potassium dichromate/sulfuric acid digestion-colorimetric analysis. EPA Method 410.4.   | Hach  |
| Conductivity                        | Electrical conductivity measurement. EPA 120.1.   |   |
| DOC                                 | Combustion. APHA 5310 B.  | Teledyne Tekmar Torch TOC Analyzer ( Mason, OH)               |
| Hardness                            | Calculation of equivalent CaCO <sub>3</sub> using Ca and Mg contents from separated determination. APHA 2340B.                                      |   |
| Metals                              | HNO <sub>3</sub> -HCl digestion(Soil/Solid wastes). Ash at 550C-HNO <sub>3</sub> dissolution (Tissue). ICP-Atomic Emission spectroscopy. EPA 200.7. | ICPE-9820(Shimadzu, Kyoto, Japan)                             |
| NO <sub>2</sub> N                   | Sulfanilamide/N-1 naphthylethylenediamine colorimetry. APHA 4500-NO <sub>3</sub> -E or EPA Method 353.2.  | Lachat QuikChem 8500 (Loveland, CO)                           |
| NO <sub>3</sub> N/NO <sub>2</sub> N | Cadmium reduction-sulfanilamide/N-1 naphthylethylenediamine colorimetry. APHA 4500-NO <sub>3</sub> -E or EPA Method 353.2.                          | Lachat QuikChem 8500 (Loveland, CO)                           |
| Ortho-P                             | Ortho phosphate-molybdate-antimony-ascorbic acid colorimetry. APHA 4500-P F/G or EPA 365.1.   | Lachat QuikChem 8500 (Loveland, CO)                           |
| pH                                  | Glass electrode. APHA 4500-H <sup>+</sup> B or EPA 150.1.   | FishSci pH Meter  |
| Salinity                            | Electrical conductivity method. APHA 2520 B.  |   |
| Solid CHNS                          | Combustion at 1150C and then measurement by TCD.  | Elementar UNICUBE Elemental Analyzer (Langenselbold, Germany) |
| SO <sub>4</sub>                     | Barium chloride-Turbidimetrics. EPA 375.4.  | Hach  |
| TAN(NH <sub>4</sub> N)              | Ammonia-salicylate-nitroprusside-hypochlorite colorimetry on  | Lachat QuikChem 8500 (Loveland, CO)                           |

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|         | aAutoanalyzerSystem(QuikChem 8500, Lachat Instrument, Loveland, CO). Standard Methods 4500-NH3 G.                             |  |
| TDN     | K2SO4-CuSO4-Salicylic Acid digestion. Salicylate-nitroprusside-hypochlorite colorimetry. APHA 4500Norg B or EPA Method 351.2. | Lachat QuikChem 8500 (Loveland, CO)                    |
| TKN     | K2SO4-CuSO4 digestion, Salicylate-nitroprusside-hypochlorite colorimetry. APHA 4500Norg B or EPA Method 351.2.                | Lachat QuikChem 8500 (Loveland, CO)                    |
| TN      | K2SO4-CuSO4-Salicylic Acid digestion. Salicylate-nitroprusside-hypochlorite colorimetry. APHA 4500Norg B.                     | Lachat QuikChem 8500 (Loveland, CO)                    |
| TOC     | Combustion. APHA 5310 B.  | Teledyne Tekmar Torch TOC Analyzer ( Mason, OH)        |
| TP      | K2SO4-CuSO4 digestion. Molybdate-antimony-ascorbic acid colorimetry. APHA 4500-P F.   | Lachat QuikChem 8500 (Loveland, CO)                    |
| TS      | Gravimetric method. APHA 2540B or EPA 1684.   | Oven ( $105 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ ) and Balance (0.1mg) |
| TSS     | Gravimetric method. APHA 2540D or EPA 160.2.  | Oven ( $105 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ ) and Balance (0.1mg) |
| VS      | Ignition-Gravimetric method. APHA 2540E.  | Oven ( $105 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ ) and Balance (0.1mg) |
| VSS     | Ignition-Gravimetric method. APHA 2540E.  | Oven ( $105 \pm 1^\circ\text{C}$ ) and Balance (0.1mg) |
| CH4/CO2 | Gas Chromatography. EPA Method 3C.  | Shimadzu GC-2014 (Kyoto, Japan)                        |

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\*ASTM International. ASTM Standards. [www.astm.org](http://www.astm.org).