

Biological Analysis Report

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Case Narrative

Unless otherwise noted, all samples included in this report were received in accordance with protocols referenced in Chapter 62-160, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). Results published in this report pertain only to the samples as submitted to, and received by the laboratory. All times in this report are adjusted to the applicable Eastern Time Zone (EST or EDT).

Results for the following analytical groups are included in this report: Chlorophyll/Grain Size/BOD, Molecular and Overflow.

Scientific notation may be used in reporting very large or small values. Values reported using scientific notation will take the form of the following example: 1.3E+03, which is equivalent to 1.3×10^3 or 1300.

Unless otherwise noted, analytical values for soil and sediment samples are reported on a dry weight basis, and analytical values for waste and tissue samples are reported on a wet weight basis.

Results for TNI accredited tests met requirements established by The NELAC Institute. A double asterisk (**) is used to indicate an analyte/matrix/method for which the laboratory is not TNI accredited or where accreditation for that field of testing is not applicable.

Any significant anomalies or deviations from established protocols are documented in Non-Conformance Reports, which, where appropriate, are included within this analytical report. Additional comments related to specific analytical tests may be included as remarks following the analytical results for each sample. Such comments and remarks are for informational purposes only and are not intended to convey judgement about the usability of the reported data.

A quality control report on the performance of the test method for the submitted samples is included. Uncertainty associated with the analytical results contained in this report can be estimated from the reported quality assurance results and from published quality control acceptance limits for each analytical test. Matrix quality control results (matrix spike recoveries and matrix sample precision) pertain only to the matrix sample tested and do not necessarily reflect test method performance for other samples.

Typical matrix quality control (QC) measurements may include matrix spike recovery, matrix spike duplicate recovery, matrix spike precision and matrix sample precision. Not all matrix QC results may be available or reportable; where they are not an explanation is provided. Typical reasons for unavailable QC results include, but are not limited to, a) insufficient matrix sample to perform some or all QC measurements; b) analyte concentration in the sample replicated was too low for a meaningful measurement of precision and c) analyte concentration in the matrix sample spiked was too high (relative to the amount of analyte spiked) for a meaningful measurement of recovery. Where matrix QC results are unavailable, other method performance metrics (e.g., LCS recovery, LCS precision, surrogate recovery) may be used to assess performance of the method. Comments explaining any missing QC measurements are not intended to convey any adverse conclusions about the quality of the reported data.

Precision is reported as relative percent difference unless otherwise noted.

Quality Control codes as defined below may be used in this report to indicate results that are associated with one or more quality control elements which did not fall within established test method criteria. Such results may be qualified as estimates using a J qualifier as required by 62-160 F.A.C. Explanations are included in the report for any results that were reported as estimates for other reasons.

QC Codes used in this report may include:

- LCS – Recovery for the batch Laboratory Control Sample (LCS) was outside existing control limits;
- MS – Recovery for the batch matrix spike (MS) was outside existing control limits;
- CCV – Recovery for a continuing calibration verification (CCV) standard was outside existing control limits;
- SUR – Recovery of a surrogate (SUR) for associated analytes was outside existing control limits;
- RPD – The precision, measured as relative percent difference (RPD), of batch replicate measurements was outside existing control limits;
- RSD – The precision, measured as relative standard deviation (RSD), of batch replicate measurements was outside existing control limits;
- SMP – Sample - used precision derived from replicate analyses of a sample;

The following data qualifiers are used, where applicable, in this report as specified in 62-160 F.A.C.

- A - Value reported is the mean of two or more determinations.
- B - Results based on colony counts outside the acceptable range.
- I - The reported value is between the laboratory method detection limit and the laboratory practical quantitation limit.
- J - Estimated value and/or the analysis did not meet established quality control criteria.
- K - Actual value is known to be less than value given.
- L - Actual value is known to be greater than value given.
- N - Presumptive evidence of presence of material.
- O - Sampled, but analysis lost or not performed.
- Q - Sample held beyond normal holding time.
- T - Value reported is less than the criterion of detection.
- U - Material was analyzed for but not detected. The reported value is the method detection limit for the sample analyzed.
- V - Analyte was detected in both sample and method blank.
- X - Too few individuals to calculate SCI value.
- Y - The laboratory analysis was from an unpreserved or improperly preserved sample. The data may not be accurate.
- Z - Colonies were too numerous to count (TNTC).

Quality control information from overflow laboratories may not be included in this report. Please refer to the associated report from the overflow laboratory for additional information.

Sample Location: Otter Creek @ 441

Collection Date/Time: 10/24/2017 11:15

Field ID: G1SE0007

Matrix: W-SURF-FRH

Sample ID	Ref. Method	Component	Result	Code	Units	Batch ID	QC Codes
1939757	SM 10200 H (mod.)	Chlorophyll-a, Corrected	3.9	A	ug/L	P334642	
		Phaeophytin-a	1.6	A	ug/L	P334642	
		Chlorophyll-a, Uncorrected	5.0	A	ug/L	P334642	
1939760	SOP-PCR-1.0	HF183-purified-qPCR**	44	IJ	GEU/100 mL	P333940	LCS, SUR
	SOP-PCR-4.0	HF183 - Human Source Marker**	Above Threshold				
1939763	SM 9223 Quanti-Tray	Escherichia Coli-Quanti-Tray	1520		MPN/100 mL		

Ref. Method and Comment:
SOP-PCR-1.0: Quality control failure(s) observed. See QA report for details.

Sample Location: Popash Slough @ SR-70

Collection Date/Time: 10/24/2017 11:45

Field ID: G1SE0017

Matrix: W-SURF-FRH

Sample ID	Ref. Method	Component	Result	Code	Units	Batch ID	QC Codes
1939756	SM 10200 H (mod.)	Chlorophyll-a, Corrected	4.0		ug/L	P334642	
		Phaeophytin-a	2.0		ug/L	P334642	
		Chlorophyll-a, Uncorrected	5.4		ug/L	P334642	

Sample Location: Taylor Creek @ SR-70

Collection Date/Time: 10/24/2017 12:15

Field ID: G1SE0011

Matrix: W-SURF-FRH

Sample ID	Ref. Method	Component	Result	Code	Units	Batch ID	QC Codes
1939759	SM 10200 H (mod.)	Chlorophyll-a, Corrected	4.9		ug/L	P334642	
		Phaeophytin-a	1.6		ug/L	P334642	
		Chlorophyll-a, Uncorrected	6.0		ug/L	P334642	
1939762	SOP-PCR-1.0	HF183-qPCR**	150	I	GEU/100 mL	P333957	
	SOP-PCR-4.0	HF183 - Human Source Marker**	Above Threshold				
1939765	SM 9223 Quanti-Tray	Escherichia Coli-Quanti-Tray	213		MPN/100 mL		

Sample Location: Henry Creek @ 170

Collection Date/Time: 10/24/2017 12:45

Field ID: G1SE0002

Matrix: W-SURF-FRH

Sample ID	Ref. Method	Component	Result	Code	Units	Batch ID	QC Codes
1939758	SM 10200 H (mod.)	Chlorophyll-a, Corrected	3.7		ug/L	P334642	
		Phaeophytin-a	1.3		ug/L	P334642	
		Chlorophyll-a, Uncorrected	4.6		ug/L	P334642	
1939761	SOP-PCR-1.0	HF183-purified-qPCR**	87	IJ	GEU/100 mL	P333940	LCS, SUR
	SOP-PCR-4.0	HF183 - Human Source Marker**	Below Threshold				
1939764	SM 9223 Quanti-Tray	Escherichia Coli-Quanti-Tray	359		MPN/100 mL		

Ref. Method and Comment:
SOP-PCR-1.0: Quality control failure(s) observed. See QA report for details.

Quality Assurance Report

Method Blank Results

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Reference Method: SM 10200 H (mod.)
Batch ID: P334642

Component	Result	Code	Units
Chlorophyll-a, Corrected	0.55	U	ug/L
Chlorophyll-a, Uncorrected	0.40	U	ug/L
Phaeophytin-a	0.40	U	ug/L

Reference Method: SOP-PCR-1.0
Batch ID: P333940

Component	Result	Code	Units
HF183-purified-qPCR	47	U	GEU/100 mL

Reference Method: SOP-PCR-1.0
Batch ID: P333957

Component	Result	Code	Units
HF183-qPCR	280	U	GEU/100 mL

Quality Assurance Report Laboratory Control Sample Accuracy

Reference Method: SM 10200 H (mod.)
Batch ID: P334642

Component	% Rec.1	% Rec.2	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
Chlorophyll-a, Corrected	107		P	84 - 116

Reference Method: SOP-PCR-1.0
Batch ID: P333940

Component	% Rec.1	% Rec.2	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
HF183-purified-qPCR	89.3	7.80	P/F	50 - 175

Reference Method: SOP-PCR-1.0
Batch ID: P333957

Component	% Rec.1	% Rec.2	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
HF183-qPCR	109	96.6	P/P	50 - 175

Quality Assurance Report Matrix Spike Accuracy

Reference Method: SOP-PCR-1.0
Batch ID: P333940

Spiked Sample	Component	% Rec.1	% Rec.2	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
1939760	HF183-purified-qPCR	85.0	83.3	P/P	50 - 175
1939761	HF183-purified-qPCR	82.2		P	50 - 175
1940013	HF183-purified-qPCR	81.3		P	50 - 175
1940014	HF183-purified-qPCR	83.6		P	50 - 175

Quality Assurance Report Matrix Spike Accuracy

Reference Method: SOP-PCR-1.0
Batch ID: P333957

Spiked Sample	Component	% Rec.1	% Rec.2	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
1935454	HF183-qPCR	61.4		P	50 - 175
1935457	HF183-qPCR	80.4		P	50 - 175
1935458	HF183-qPCR	72.3		P	50 - 175
1939495	HF183-qPCR	66.3		P	50 - 175
1939762	HF183-qPCR	60.4		P	50 - 175
1939857	HF183-qPCR	69.3		P	50 - 175
1939983	HF183-qPCR	50.4		P	50 - 175
1940011	HF183-qPCR	52.3		P	50 - 175
1940012	HF183-qPCR	77.1		P	50 - 175

Quality Assurance Report Precision

Reference Method: SM 10200 H (mod.)
Batch ID: P334642

Replicated Lab Sample	Component	% RSD/RPD	Sample/Spike/LCS*	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
1939757	Chlorophyll-a, Corrected	7.48	Sample	P	0 - 25
1939757	Chlorophyll-a, Uncorrected	5.09	Sample	P	0 - 25
1939757	Phaeophytin-a	4.84	Sample	P	0 - 25

Reference Method: SOP-PCR-1.0
Batch ID: P333940

Replicated Lab Sample	Component	% RSD/RPD	Sample/Spike/LCS*	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
1939760	HF183-purified-qPCR	2.14	Spike	P	0 - 25

Reference Method: SOP-PCR-1.0
Batch ID: P333957

Replicated Lab Sample	Component	% RSD/RPD	Sample/Spike/LCS*	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
1939760	HF183-qPCR	20.9	Spike	P	0 - 25

* Sample, spike and/or laboratory control sample precision (LCS) is reported.
Replicate spike precision may be reported when sample results are below quantifiable levels.

Quality Assurance Report Surrogates

Lab Sample ID: 1939760
Field Sample ID: G1SE0007

Reference Method	Surrogate	% Rec.	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
SOP-PCR-1.0	SKETA-qPCR	4.66	F	30 - 300

Quality Assurance Report Surrogates

Lab Sample ID: 1939761
Field Sample ID: G1SE0002

Reference Method	Surrogate	% Rec.	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
SOP-PCR-1.0	SKETA-qPCR	6.08	F	30 - 300

Lab Sample ID: 1939762
Field Sample ID: G1SE0011

Reference Method	Surrogate	% Rec.	Pass/Fail	Control Limits
SOP-PCR-1.0	SKETA-qPCR	60.6	P	50 - 300

Quality Assurance Report Summary

Ref. Method	Analyte	LCS % Recovery	MS % Recovery	LCS	Precision SMP	MS
SM 10200 H (mod.)	Chlorophyll-a, Corrected	107			7.48	
	Chlorophyll-a, Uncorrected				5.09	
	Phaeophytin-a				4.84	
SOP-PCR-1.0	HF183-purified-qPCR	7.80 89.3	85.0 83.3 82.2			2.14
	HF183-qPCR	96.6 109	69.3 80.4 72.3			20.9
			81.3 66.3			

Reference Method Descriptions

Method / DoH Cert #	Description	Associated Samples
SM 10200 H (mod.) / E31780	Phytoplankton chlorophyll-a corrected, uncorrected, and phaeophytin by spectrophotometry	1939756, 1939757, 1939758, 1939759
SM 9223 Quanti-Tray / E86562	Escherichia coli by Colilert 18 Quanti-Tray method by FlowersOverflow Laboratory for Southeast District	1939763, 1939764, 1939765
SOP-PCR-1.0 / E31780	Detection and quantification of human-specific HF183 Bacteroides genetic marker with quantitative polymerase chain reaction	1939760, 1939761
SOP-PCR-1.0 / E31780	Detection and quantification of human-specific HF183 Bacteroides genetic marker with quantitative polymerase chain reaction	1939762
SOP-PCR-4.0 / E31780	Preparation of Samples by Filtration and held for qPCR Analysis	1939760, 1939761, 1939762

Preparation and Analysis Log

Ref. Method	Received Date	Prep Date/Time	Prepared By	Analysis Date/Time	Analyzed By	Associated Samples
SM 10200 H (mod.)	10/25/2017	10/25/2017 12:53	Cathy Sherrer	11/02/2017	Kim M. Spencer	1939756, 1939757, 1939758, 1939759
SM 9223 Quanti-Tray	10/24/2017	10/24/2017 15:55		10/25/2017 12:10	Flowers-PSL	1939763, 1939764, 1939765
SOP-PCR-1.0	10/25/2017	10/25/2017 13:30	Avril Wood	10/30/2017	Sarah Menz	1939762
	10/25/2017	10/25/2017 13:30	Avril Wood	11/03/2017	Sarah Menz	1939760, 1939761
SOP-PCR-4.0	10/25/2017	10/25/2017 13:30	Avril Wood	11/21/2017	Puja Jasrotia	1939760, 1939761, 1939762