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SDG NARRATIVE

USEPA
SDG # MYDB42
CASE # 51772
CONTRACT # 68HERH20D0011
SOW# SFAM01.1
LAB NAME: Alliance Technical Group, LLC
LAB CODE: ACE
LAB ORDER ID # P4314
MODIFIED ANALYSIS #3225.1, 3226.1

A. Number of Samples and Date of Receipt

20 Soil samples were delivered to the laboratory intact on 10/04/2024.

B. Parameters

Test requested for Metals CLP FULL = Aluminum, Antimony, Arsenic, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Calcium, Chromium, Cobalt, Copper, Iron, Lead, Magnesium, Manganese, Nickel, Potassium, Selenium, Silver, Sodium, Thallium, Vanadium, Zinc.

Test requested for Metals CLP MS FULL = Antimony, Arsenic, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Chromium, Cobalt, Copper, Lead, Nickel, Selenium, Silver, Thallium, Vanadium, Zinc.

C. Cooler Temp

Indicator Bottle**: Presence/_Absence_**

Cooler: 21.7^{o}C

D. Detail Documentation (related to Sample Handling
Shipping, Analytical Problem, Temp of Cooler etc):

Issue 1 : A "P" or "M" prefix was listed at the beginning of a CLP sample ID.

E. Corrective Action taken for above:

Resolution 1 : To maintain COC integrity, ASB requests no changes to the Sample IDs. The laboratory will note the issue in the SDG Narrative and proceed with the analysis of the samples.

F. Analytical Techniques:

All analyses were based on CLP Methodology by method SFAM01.1.

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Inter Element correction factors (IECs) are determined annually and correction factor are applied during ICP-AES analysis.

G. Calculation:

Calculation for ICP-AES Soil Sample:

Conversion of Results from mg/L or ppm to mg/kg (Dry Weight Basis):

$$\text{Concentration (mg/kg)} = C \times \frac{Vf}{W \times S} \times DF$$

Where,

      C = Instrument value in ppm (The average of all replicate exposures)
      Vf = Final digestion volume (mL)
      W = Initial aliquot amount (g) (Sample amount taken in prep)
      S   = % Solids / 100 (Fraction of Percent Solids)
      DF = Dilution Factor

Example Calculation For Sample MYDB42 For Antimony:

      If C = 0.0045143 ppm
        Vf = 100 ml
        W = 1.32g
        S   = 0.976(97.6/100)
        DF = 2

$$\text{Concentration (mg/kg)} = 0.0045143 \times \frac{100}{1.32 \times 0.976} \times 2$$

$$= 0.70080 \text{ mg/kg}$$

$$= 0.70 \text{ mg/kg (Reported Result with Signification)}$$

Calculation for ICP-MS Soil Sample:

Conversion of Results from μg /L or ppb to mg/kg :

$$\text{Concentration (mg/kg)} = C \times \frac{Vf}{W \times S} \times DF / 1000$$

Where,

      C = Instrument value in ppb (The average of all replicate integrations)
      Vf = Final digestion volume (mL)
      W = Initial aliquot amount (g) (Fraction of Sample amount taken in prep)
      S   = % Solids / 100 (Fraction of Percent Solids)

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    DF = Dilution Factor

Example Calculation For Sample MYDB42 For Antimony :

    If C =   2.06 ppb
      Vf = 500 ml
      W = 1.32 g
      S = 0.976(97.6/100)
      DF = 1

$$\text{Concentration (mg/kg)} = 2.06 \times \frac{500}{1.32 \times 0.976} \times 1 / 1000$$

$$= 0.7994 \text{ mg/kg}$$

$$= 0.80 \text{ mg/kg (Reported Result with Signification)}$$

H. QA/ QC

Calibrations met requirements. Interference check met requirements. Blank analyses did not indicate any presence of contamination. Laboratory Control sample was within control limits. Spike sample did meet requirements except for Antimony, selenium. Spike sample(MYDB51SRE) did meet requirements except for Arsenic, Lead, Silver, Thallium. Spike sample (MYDB51S)did meet requirements except for Beryllium, Zinc. Duplicate sample did meet requirements. Serial Dilution did meet requirements.

Collision cell is being used to remove potential interferences. The analytes Na, Mg, Al, K, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, As are being analyzed with collision cell and analytes Be, B, Ca, Ti, Se, Sr, Zr, Mo, Ag, Cd, Sn, Sb, Ba, Tl, Pb, U are being analyzed with Non-Collision Cell. Helium gas is used for the Collision Cell analysis.

Internal Standard Association for ICP-MS analysis.

Target Analyte	Associated Internal Standard
Antimony	159Tb
Arsenic	89Y
Barium	159Tb
Beryllium	6Li
Cadmium	159Tb
Chromium	45Sc
Cobalt	45Sc

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Copper	45Sc
Lead	209Bi
Nickel	45Sc
Selenium	89Y
Silver	159Tb
Thallium	209Bi
Vanadium	45Sc
Zinc	45Sc

I certify that the data package is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the contract both technically and for completeness, for other than the conditions detailed above. Release of the data contained in this hard copy data package has been authorized by the Laboratory Director or his designee, as verified by the following signature.

Signature_____   Name: Nimisha Pandya

Date _____   Title: Document Control Officer

Date: 09/11/2024	**MA:** 3225.1	**Title:** ICP-MS with Modified Preparation Method and Analysis of Soils with Additional Laboratory QC
Method Source: SFAM01.1	**Method:** ICP-MS	
Matrix: Soil/Sediment		

Summary of Modification

The purpose of this modified analysis is to prepare samples by EPA Draft Method 3050C (see below) with additional modified LCS and Matrix Spikes and analyze for the scheduled target analytes by ICP-MS. Unless specifically modified by this modification, all analyses, Quality Control (QC), and reporting requirements specified in the SOW listed in your current EPA agreement remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

I. Analyte Modifications	Not applicable ☒

II. Calibration and QC Requirements	Not applicable ☐

The Laboratory shall:
- Use the Method Detection Limits (MDLs) determined for routine soil analyses (i.e., Method 200.8) to report the results for these analyses. The Laboratory is NOT required to perform an MDL study for Draft Method 3050C.
- Prepare and analyze an additional Laboratory Control Sample (LCS) spiked at the CRQL. Percent Recovery limits do NOT apply to this LCS and no corrective actions are required.
- Prepare a Matrix Spike spiked at three times the levels specified in the SOW.
- Prepare and analyze an additional Matrix Spike sample spiked at five times the levels specified for this Modified Analysis (i.e., 15x the levels specified in the SOW).
- Post-Digestion Spike requirements apply to the 5x Matrix Spike only.
- Post-Digestion Spike corrective actions apply to Sb.

III. Preparation and Method Modifications	Not applicable ☐

The Laboratory shall:
- Prepare and analyze the sample by EPA Draft Method 3050C as follows:
  - Mix sample thoroughly and transfer 1.00 – 1.50 g to a digestion vessel.
  - Add 10 mL 1:1 HNO_3 and 5 mL 1:1 HCl, heat the sample at 95°C (±3°C) and reflux 10-15 minutes.
  - Add 5 mL concentrated HNO_3 and reflux for 30 minutes at 95°C (±3°C), repeat until digestion complete.
  - Concentrate sample to 5 mL or reflux without boiling for 2 hours at 95°C (±3°C).
  - Cool sample, add 2mL water and 3 mL 30% H_2O_2. Heat at 95°C (±3°C) and add additional 1 mL aliquots of 30% H_2O_2 until effervescence is minimal.
  - Reduce volume to 5 mL or reflux without boiling for 2 hours at 95°C (±3°C).
  - Dilute to 100 mL with water, centrifuge or filter as necessary prior to analysis.
- The same sample extracts can be used for ICP-AES analysis. Separate Matrix Spikes and LCS will need to be prepared for both ICP-AES and ICP-MS analyses.
- Analyze the samples starting at an initial 5x dilution. Subsequently, dilute samples as necessary to bring the analyte concentrations within the calibration range of the instrument per the SOW.
- Method Blanks, both LCSs, and all instrument QC are to be analyzed undiluted.

IV. Special Reporting Requirements	Not applicable ☐

The Laboratory shall:

- Ensure the SDG Narrative is updated as stated in the SOW, including any technical and administrative problems encountered and the resolution or corrective actions taken. These problems may include interference problems encountered during analysis, dilutions, re-analyses and/or re-preparations performed, and problems with the analysis of samples. Also include a discussion of any SOW Modified Analyses, including a copy of the approved modification form with the SDG Narrative.
- Initial analysis data are reported with a dilution factor of 1.0 and a final volume of 500 mL, per the SOW.
- Report the additional LCS as "LCSD" in the raw data and in the EDD with QCType "Laboratory_Control_Sample_Duplicate".
- Report the additional Matrix Spike with an "SRE" suffix in the raw data and EDD.
- Report any Post-Digestion Spike of the additional 5x Matrix Spike with an "ARE" suffix.

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Method Source: SFAM01.1	**Method:** ICP-AES	
Matrix: Soil/Sediment		

Summary of Modification
The purpose of this modified analysis is to prepare samples by EPA Draft Method 3050C (see below) with additional modified LCS and Matrix Spikes and analyze for the scheduled target analytes by ICP-AES. Unless specifically modified by this modification, all analyses, Quality Control (QC), and reporting requirements specified in the SOW listed in your current EPA agreement remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

I. Analyte Modifications	**Not applicable** ☒

II. Calibration and QC Requirements	**Not applicable** ☐

The Laboratory shall:
- Use the Method Detection Limits determined for routine soil analyses (i.e., Method 3050B) to report the results for these analyses. The Laboratory is NOT required to perform an MDL study for Draft Method 3050C.
- Prepare and analyze an additional Laboratory Control Sample (LCS) spiked at the CRQL. Percent Recovery limits do NOT apply to this LCS and no corrective actions are required.
- Prepare a Matrix Spike spiked at two times the levels specified in the SOW.
- Post-Digestion Spike requirements apply to the 2x Matrix Spike.
- Post-Digestion Spike corrective actions apply to Sb.

III. Preparation and Method Modifications	**Not applicable** ☐

The Laboratory shall:
- Prepare and analyze the sample by EPA Draft Method 3050C as follows:
  - Mix sample thoroughly and transfer 1.00 – 1.50 g to a digestion vessel.
  - Add 10 mL 1:1 HNO_3 and 5 mL 1:1 HCl, heat the sample at 95°C (±3°C) and reflux 10 -15 minutes.
  - Add 5 mL concentrated HNO_3 and reflux for 30 minutes at 95°C (±3°C), repeat until digestion complete.
  - Concentrate sample to 5 mL or reflux without boiling for 2 hours at 95°C (±3°C).
  - Cool sample, add 2mL water and 3 mL 30% H_2O_2. Heat at 95°C (±3°C) and add additional 1 mL aliquots of 30% H_2O_2 until effervescence is minimal.
  - Reduce volume to 5 mL or reflux without boiling for 2 hours at 95°C (±3°C).
  - Dilute to 100 mL with water, centrifuge or filter as necessary prior to analysis.
- The same sample extracts can also be used for ICP-MS analysis. Separate Matrix Spikes and LCS will need to be prepared for both ICP-AES and ICP-MS analyses.
- Analyze the samples starting at an initial 2x dilution. Subsequently, dilute samples as necessary to bring the analyte concentrations within the calibration range of the instrument per the SOW.
- Verify that the dilution was adequate to reduce interferents to within the method calibration range. This can optionally be verified by visual verification of the spectrogram or by analysis of a serial dilution. There are other acceptable means to provide assurance, e.g. some software may automatically provide guidance to the analyst.
- Method Blanks, both LCS, and all instrument QC are to be analyzed undiluted.

IV. Special Reporting Requirements	Not applicable ☐

The Laboratory shall:

- Ensure the SDG Narrative is updated as stated in the SOW, including any technical and administrative problems encountered and the resolution or corrective actions taken. These problems may include interference problems encountered during analysis, dilutions, re-analyses and/or re-preparations performed, and problems with the analysis of samples. Also include a discussion of any SOW Modified Analyses, including a copy of the approved modification form with the SDG Narrative.
- Initial analysis data are reported with a dilution factor of 2.0 and a final volume of 100 mL, per the SOW.
- Report the additional LCS as "LCSD" in the raw data and in the EDD with QCType "Laboratory_Control_Sample_Duplicate".
- Ensure that up-to-date Interelement Correction Factors (IECs) are provided with the data package.

Element, Wavelength and Order	Use?	# IECs	IEC	k1	k2	Calc-in-fit?
As 189.042 {479}	☒	1	Fe	-0.000064	0.000000	No
Tl 190.856 {477}	☒	5	Mo	-0.002450	0.000000	No
			Co	0.002248	0.000000	No
			Ti	-0.000500	0.000000	No
			Mn	0.000370	0.000000	No
			V	-0.012340	0.000000	No
Pb 220.353 {453}	☒	6	Mo	-0.001480	0.000000	No
			Al	-0.000075	0.000000	No
			Cu	0.001400	0.000000	No
			Fe	0.000030	0.000000	No
			Mn	0.000340	0.000000	No
			Ni	0.000630	0.000000	No
Se 196.090 {472}	☒	3	Fe	-0.000308	0.000000	No
			Mn	0.000470	0.000000	No
			Co	-0.000630	0.000000	No
Sb 206.833 {463}	☒	4	Cr	0.010700	0.000000	No
			V	-0.001168	0.000000	No
			Mo	-0.002850	0.000000	No
			Ni	-0.000440	0.000000	No
Al 396.152 { 85}	☒	1	Mo	0.037230	0.000000	No
Ba 493.409 { 68}	☐	None				
Be 234.861 {144}	☒	3	Mo	-0.000320	0.000000	No
			Fe	0.000010	0.000000	No
			Mn	-0.000047	0.000000	No
Cd 214.438 {457}	☒	1	Fe	0.000040	0.000000	No
Ca 373.690 { 90}	☐	None				
Cr 267.716 {126}	☒	1	Mn	0.000160	0.000000	No
Co 228.616 {448}	☒	2	Ti	0.001840	0.000000	No
			Mo	-0.001230	0.000000	No
Cu 324.754 {104}	☒	4	Co	-0.000796	0.000000	No
			Fe	-0.000100	0.000000	No
			Mn	0.000345	0.000000	No
			Ni	0.000895	0.000000	No
Fe 259.837 {130}	☐	None				
Mn 257.610 {131}	☒	1	Ni	0.000897	0.000000	No
Mg 279.079 {121}	☐	None				
Ni 231.604 {446}	☐	None				
Ag 328.068 {103}	☒	3	Fe	-0.000100	0.000000	No
			Mn	0.000146	0.000000	No
			V	-0.000889	0.000000	No
Na 818.326 { 41}	☐	None				
V 292.402 {115}	☒	2	Mo	-0.008480	0.000000	No
			Cr	-0.002220	0.000000	No
Zn 206.200 {464}	☐	None				
Zn 213.856 {158}	☒	1	Ni	0.007280	0.000000	No
K 769.896 { 44}	☐	None				
P 177.495 {490}	☒	2	Ni	0.001640	0.000000	No
			Cu	-0.012530	0.000000	No
B 249.678 {135}	☒	3	Co	0.002880	0.000000	No
			V	-0.002000	0.000000	No
			Fe	-0.001360	0.000000	No
Mo 202.030 {467}	☐	None				
S 182.034 {485}	☒	2	Mo	-0.008000	0.000000	No
			Mn	0.002700	0.000000	No

Element, Wavelength and Order	Use?	# IECs	IEC	k1	k2	Calc-In-fit?
Si 251.611 {134}	☒	2	Mo	0.010520	0.000000	No
			Ti	0.005650	0.000000	No
Sn 189.989 {478}	☐	None				
Ti 336.121 {100}	☒	1	Ni	-0.001000	0.000000	No
Li 670.784 { 50}	☐	None				
Y 224.306 {450}*	☐	None				
Y 360.073 { 94}*	☐	None				
Y 371.030 { 91}*	☐	None				
Y 224.306 {150}*	☐	None				
In 230.606 {446}*	☐	None				
Sr 407.771 { 83}	☐	None				