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Salinity																	
Sat. Paste Moisture	%	31	37.3	2.00		50.0	3.33		45.2	3.25		36.3	2.30		47.0	3.25	
pH - sp	Unit	43	7.97	0.14		6.00	0.20		7.60	0.10		5.51	0.16		6.88	0.12	
ECe - sp	dS/m	44	0.38	0.05		0.16	0.04		1.60	0.20		0.57	0.06		0.37	0.09	
HCO ₃ - sp	mmolc/L	17	3.20	0.70		0.80	0.26		3.85	1.19		0.56	0.26		3.03	0.65	
Ca - sp	mmolc/L	35	2.39	0.36		0.78	0.20		9.65	1.44		2.50	0.38		2.41	0.79	
Mg - sp	mmolc/L	35	1.30	0.15		0.39	0.11		1.80	0.31		1.55	0.24		1.00	0.24	
Na - sp	mmolc/L	36	0.80	0.22		0.48	0.16		4.74	0.54		0.74	0.20		0.50	0.22	
SAR - sp	value	30	0.60	0.12		0.60	0.24		2.01	0.15		0.51	0.17		0.40	0.18	
Cl - sp	mmolc/L	20	0.24	0.08		0.32	0.09		1.18	0.18		0.22	0.06		0.25	0.07	
SO ₄ - sp	mmolc/L	23	0.44	0.12		0.29	0.05		4.13	0.63		0.56	0.09		0.87	0.18	
NO ₃ - sp	mmolc/L	8	0.11	0.06		0.01	0.00		5.53	2.06		3.19	1.08		0.02	0.01	
B - sp	mg/L	16	0.19	0.04		0.06	0.04		0.11	0.03		0.21	0.05		0.06	0.04	
Soil pH & EC																	
Soil EC (1:1)	(dS/m)	32	0.23	0.03		0.08	0.02		0.91	0.06		0.26	0.02		0.16	0.06	
Soil EC (1:2)	(dS/m)	49	0.15	0.02		0.05	0.01		0.49	0.08		0.14	0.02		0.10	0.02	
pH (1:1) Water	Unit	91	8.36	0.11		6.10	0.13		7.85	0.08		5.76	0.06		7.01	0.09	
pH (1:2) Water	Unit	41	8.41	0.13		6.10	0.16		7.90	0.11		5.89	0.11		7.00	0.10	
pH (1:1) 0.01M CaCl ₂	Unit	23	7.74	0.07		5.24	0.14		7.56	0.09		5.25	0.07		6.43	0.07	
pH (1:2) 0.01M CaCl ₂	Unit	18	7.75	0.07		5.21	0.05		7.53	0.12		5.24	0.06		6.41	0.12	
Buffer pH, Lime Req.																	
SMP Buffer pH	Unit	51	7.50	0.04		6.60	0.13		7.46	0.04		6.89	0.08		7.25	0.05	
Adams-Evans Buf pH	Unit	11	7.80	0.03		7.45	0.07		7.69	0.03		7.58	0.05		7.81	0.03	
Woodruff Buf. pH	Unit	18	7.12	0.03		6.58	0.08		7.10	0.03		6.70	0.05		6.95	0.04	
Mehlich Buffer pH	Unit	4	6.90	0.03		6.02	0.10		6.79	0.03		6.17	0.06		6.51	0.04	
Titrateable Acidity	cmol/kg	1	0.01	0.00		5.85	5.69		1.47	0.00		5.11	1.10		3.00	0.00	

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Inorganic Nitrogen (NO3-N & NH4-N)																	
NO3-N Cd. Rd.	mg/kg	62	3.50	0.50		0.87	0.65		56.4	3.23		22.5	1.42		1.00	0.56	
NO3-N ISE	mg/kg	25	4.67	2.13		1.50	0.70		53.0	11.0		20.5	2.54		2.00	1.20	
NO3-N CTA	mg/kg	6	3.95	0.21		2.53	0.77		58.3	2.65		22.7	1.20		2.18	0.26	
NO3-N Ion Chr.	mg/kg	3	3.32	0.11		0.53	0.00		61.7	4.80		24.4	2.75		0.74	0.34	
NO3-N Other _____	mg/kg	8	3.75	2.24		1.80	0.85		58.4	16.0		24.2	5.70		1.81	0.66	
NH4 - N (KCl Extr.)	mg/kg	54	2.57	0.57		9.80	1.28		4.14	0.80		5.12	0.68		6.00	0.68	
Phosphorus and Sulfur																	
PO4-P Bray P (1:10)	mg/kg	53	25.8	2.20		65.0	7.00		19.5	1.80		56.0	4.00		8.26	0.90	
PO4-P Bray P1 (1:7)	mg/kg	13	17.5	2.00		53.0	7.87		13.5	1.50		46.5	4.50		6.00	1.00	
PO4-P Olsen/Bicarb	mg/kg	64	10.0	1.10		34.2	4.22		9.00	1.30		36.0	4.00		5.23	0.78	
PO4-P AB-DTPA	mg/kg	1	7.65	0.00		29.7	7.30		8.70	0.00		30.9	3.70		5.70	0.30	
PO4-P M. Morgan	mg/kg	8	21.5	3.94		4.45	0.35		23.0	4.55		8.40	1.60		1.08	0.18	
PO4-P Mod. Kewlona	mg/kg	4	20.0	2.11		45.2	3.50		16.4	2.50		39.7	3.85		5.40	1.09	
PO4-P Stong Bray (1:10)	mg/kg	10	276	25.3		104	7.9		319	26.4		216	23.4		34.7	3.00	
PO4-P Water Soluble	mg/kg	5	2.81	2.30		1.65	1.20		2.27	1.82		3.81	1.66		1.21	0.76	
SO4 - S (PO4 Extr.)	mg/kg	41	3.69	1.69		3.25	1.23		34.0	9.00		5.05	1.81		6.85	1.15	
Bases																	
K Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	93	253	21.0		158	25.0		540	42.0		242	15.0		92.5	8.1	
Ca Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	85	4176	582		1020	179		5579	486		1455	93		1008	88	
Mg Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	86	638	62.7		129	17.5		405	27.6		378	20.8		146	9.5	
Na Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	68	28.5	6.22		17.30	6.80		181	19.4		22.5	6.50		14.7	5.85	
Bray Extractable K	mg/kg	3	193	4.7		125	6.7		365	11.0		194	13.6		83.5	2.46	
K- Bicarb.	mg/kg	7	140	11.0		170	14.0		340	17.0		204	18.3		102	11.0	
K Modified Morgan	mg/kg	6	123	19.0		153	4.5		248	25.0		173	12.5		97.0	4.0	
Ca Modified Morgan	mg/kg	6	12240	1385		1180	82.5		11020	1534		1586	11.5		1105	14.0	
Aluminum KCL Extr.	mg/kg	4	0.57	0.25		1.78	0.17		0.58	0.32		1.10	0.25		0.30	0.12	

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Mehlich-1 Multi Element (scoop)																	
Scoop Soil Mass	g	7	5.00	0.00		5.00	0.00		5.00	0.00		5.00	0.00		5.00	0.00	
P	mg/kg	8	37.5	4.50		29.1	3.38		64.1	12.5		207	19.0		30.2	2.70	
K	mg/kg	7	55.0	2.36		107	4.12		145	4.9		151	5.1		69.5	5.29	
Ca	mg/kg	7	4666	396		966	148		4919	394		1456	33.0		1089	69.6	
Mg	mg/kg	7	584.2	30.2		119	16.5		300	11.4		313	11.8		169	27.3	
Mn	mg/kg	7	3.25	0.27		69.1	6.93		1.77	0.64		27.0	0.95		59.2	9.79	
Zn	mg/kg	7	0.11	0.08		1.23	0.28		0.46	0.31		3.66	0.44		1.91	0.49	
Mehlich-3 Multi-Element (scoop)																	
Scoop Soil Mass	g	30	2.00	0.45		1.79	0.45		2.15	0.35		2.20	0.30		2.00	0.50	
Assumed Density	g/cm ³	13	1.18	0.00		1.18	0.00		1.18	0.00		1.18	0.00		1.18	0.00	
Volume of Scoop	cm ³	28	2.00	0.50		2.00	0.50		2.00	0.50		2.00	0.50		2.00	0.50	
Extractant Volume mL	mL	32	20.0	5.00		20.0	5.00		20.0	5.00		20.0	5.00		20.0	5.00	
P Colorimetric	mg/kg	24	37.0	2.00		75.0	5.80		29.0	1.95		67.5	6.50		10.4	0.60	
P ICP-AES	mg/kg	41	40.0	2.22		80.7	5.57		30.2	2.16		71.2	4.80		10.7	1.10	
K	mg/kg	51	272	14.7		160	20.0		539	19.8		243	14.3		99.0	8.00	
Ca	mg/kg	48	5596	293		1138	144		6727	418		1559	98		1140	82.7	
Mg	mg/kg	48	858	51.8		142	20.0		527	21.9		412	25.0		179	9.4	
Na	mg/kg	35	27.0	4.50		17.00	5.65		178	19.6		19.5	5.93		14.7	5.70	
S	mg/kg	34	14.6	5.88		9.00	4.30		53.3	8.01		10.19	5.03		14.0	4.19	
Al	mg/kg	23	397	75.0		1202	118		337	62.9		614	48.0		616	59.0	
Zn	mg/kg	44	4.48	0.45		1.60	0.23		32.2	2.27		4.80	0.59		2.39	0.29	
Mn	mg/kg	41	239	25.1		113	10.1		256	38.7		61.5	6.47		161	13.5	
Fe	mg/kg	37	87.0	11.9		301	30.8		44.5	8.50		191	24.1		164	17.4	
Cu	mg/kg	42	4.56	0.43		1.16	0.16		37.6	3.68		2.92	0.26		1.40	0.21	
B	mg/kg	38	2.91	0.31		0.41	0.25		2.02	0.27		0.48	0.17		0.33	0.10	

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Micronutrients																	
Zn - DTPA	mg/kg	72	1.20	0.10		1.00	0.17		12.0	1.00		2.64	0.24		1.20	0.15	
Mn - DTPA	mg/kg	63	9.73	2.37		47.4	7.55		6.15	1.95		22.7	1.72		13.0	3.25	
Fe - DTPA	mg/kg	64	8.19	0.81		65.8	11.2		4.30	0.51		48.6	5.52		21.1	3.15	
Cu - DTPA	mg/kg	65	1.70	0.20		0.80	0.14		15.0	1.53		2.25	0.22		0.60	0.10	
Zn - HCl	mg/kg	6	0.72	0.54		1.77	0.33		27.3	8.55		5.49	0.50		2.42	0.43	
Mn-H3PO4	mg/kg	9	5.58	0.78		60.0	10.8		2.30	0.67		19.4	1.91		29.9	4.30	
Cl - Ca(NO3)2 Extr.	mg/kg	17	2.24	0.76		3.39	1.05		20.0	2.49		2.10	0.58		3.49	0.91	
B - Hot Wat.	mg/kg	50	1.00	0.33		0.23	0.09		0.80	0.29		0.45	0.13		0.20	0.06	
B-DTPA/Sorbitol	mg/kg	8	1.51	0.12		0.11	0.04		1.11	0.07		0.25	0.05		0.11	0.06	
Soil Organic Matter																	
Soil Kjeldahl N	%	27	0.135	0.009		0.096	0.012		0.110	0.013		0.063	0.007		0.058	0.008	
Soil TN (combustion)	%	34	0.134	0.008		0.098	0.008		0.120	0.010		0.066	0.006		0.060	0.010	
Soil TOC (Combustion)	%	29	5.23	0.18		1.85	0.05		1.38	0.07		0.48	0.02		0.72	0.05	
SOM - Walkley-Black	%	45	2.14	0.21		3.00	0.29		2.01	0.14		0.87	0.08		1.28	0.12	
SOM - LOI (% Wt loss)	%	79	2.56	0.24		4.06	0.26		2.90	0.30		1.59	0.19		2.05	0.11	
CaCO3 Content	%	16	19.7	12.9		0.50	0.20		2.51	0.61		0.65	0.20		0.50	0.10	
CEC - Cation Displacement	cmol/kg	25	18.2	1.60		15.2	1.10		27.1	2.47		13.2	0.80		8.45	1.50	
CEC - Estimation	cmol/kg	16	28.1	1.99		8.94	2.06		34.7	3.00		12.1	1.10		6.70	0.39	
Soil Density (Scoop)	g/cc	10	1.08	0.06		0.85	0.05		1.23	0.03		1.23	0.08		1.06	0.08	
Particle Size Analysis																	
Sand 2000 - 50 um	%	46	18.0	3.5		20.0	3.8		32.8	3.2		31.2	4.2		47.2	3.8	
Silt 50 - 2 um	%	46	55.4	4.6		65.0	5.0		33.5	3.5		54.0	4.0		35.0	3.0	
Clay 2 - 0 um	%	46	25.0	2.0		15.0	3.0		32.8	2.8		14.9	2.4		17.5	2.5	

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