



**2012 North American Proficiency Testing Program
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**Laboratory ID
General**

Soil Analysis	Units	n	Soil 2012-116		Soil 2012-117			Soil 2012-118			Soil 2012-119			Soil 2012-210		
			Median	MAD	Lab ^{1,2}	Median	MAD	Lab ^{1,2}	Median	MAD	Lab ^{1,2}	Median	MAD	Lab ^{1,2}	Median	MAD
Salinity																
Sat. Paste Moisture	%	25	43.4	3.05		32.0	2.40		44.1	2.30		21.0	2.00		41.5	2.70
pH - sp	Unit	34	6.85	0.145		6.19	0.230		5.45	0.150		6.61	0.140		5.34	0.100
ECe - sp	dS/m	31	0.790	0.080		0.197	0.023		1.18	0.104		0.850	0.072		1.60	0.130
HCO ₃ - sp	mmolc/L	10	4.24	1.03		0.900	0.152		0.400	0.025		0.900	0.086		0.510	0.054
Ca - sp	mmolc/L	26	7.01	0.850		0.723	0.121		5.42	0.460		3.39	0.425		5.26	0.570
Mg - sp	mmolc/L	26	0.90	0.086		0.415	0.080		4.74	0.400		2.86	0.339		3.24	0.309
Na - sp	mmolc/L	26	0.425	0.042		0.505	0.115		0.240	0.029		0.305	0.035		3.28	0.210
SAR - sp	value	24	0.200	0.020		0.600	0.095		0.100	0.007		0.165	0.024		1.53	0.100
Cl - sp	mmolc/L	16	0.452	0.076		0.383	0.083		0.250	0.034		0.230	0.045		0.555	0.054
SO ₄ - sp	mmolc/L	18	0.755	0.125		0.205	0.030		0.775	0.072		0.518	0.068		0.557	0.058
NO ₃ - sp	mmolc/L	12	2.52	0.336		0.405	0.050		9.81	0.745		6.03	1.08		11.8	1.72
B - sp	mg/L	9	0.040	0.008		0.040	0.009		0.060	0.007		0.050	0.012		0.110	0.020
Soil pH & EC																
Soil EC (1:1)	(dS/m)	30	0.310	0.050		0.100	0.020		0.437	0.052		0.180	0.040		0.515	0.045
Soil EC (1:2)	(dS/m)	46	0.213	0.023		0.047	0.010		0.300	0.033		0.120	0.013		0.340	0.047
pH (1:1) Water	Unit	78	6.98	0.080		6.48	0.120		5.60	0.060		6.90	0.070		5.57	0.060
pH (1:2) Water	Unit	29	7.03	0.130		6.59	0.110		5.75	0.050		6.93	0.130		5.70	0.100
pH (1:1) 0.01M CaCl ₂	Unit	25	6.62	0.080		5.70	0.050		5.28	0.065		6.43	0.085		5.20	0.065
pH (1:2) 0.01M CaCl ₂	Unit	11	6.61	0.090		5.69	0.090		5.27	0.070		6.36	0.050		5.19	0.015
Buffer pH, Lime Req.																
SMP Buffer pH	Unit	29	7.20	0.080		7.02	0.085		6.55	0.110		7.35	0.050		6.72	0.080
Adams-Evans Buf pH	Unit	8	7.80	0.035		7.68	0.065		7.51	0.070		7.92	0.020		7.61	0.075
Woodruff Buf. pH	Unit	22	6.99	0.020		6.80	0.045		6.53	0.040		6.99	0.050		6.60	0.015
Mehlich Buffer pH	Unit	6	6.55	0.030		6.23	0.020		6.00	0.035		6.53	0.060		6.07	0.050
Sikora Buffer pH	Unit	23	7.25	0.050		6.92	0.070		6.60	0.060		7.40	0.050		6.70	0.050
Titrateable Acidity	cmol/kg															

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Inorganic Nitrogen (NO3-N & NH4-N)

NO3-N Cd. Rd.	mg/kg	56	17.1	0.940	1.99	0.400	61.9	4.15	20.8	2.09	71.5	3.70
NO3-N ISE	mg/kg	18	17.3	1.32	2.74	0.329	62.0	6.01	24.8	4.39	73.3	6.00
NO3-N CTA	mg/kg	3	16.6	0.500	1.93	0.018	58.0	7.70	20.8	2.50	60.0	3.51
NO3-N Ion Chr.	mg/kg											
NO3-N Other _____	mg/kg	8	18.1	1.45	2.18	0.290	64.7	4.79	22.2	1.77	73.8	4.09
NH4 - N (KCl Extr.)	mg/kg	50	21.0	1.75	3.20	0.700	3.09	0.595	1.40	0.160	4.32	0.720

Phosphorus and Sulfur

PO4-P Bray P (1:10)	mg/kg	44	19.0	1.80	14.1	1.30	51.2	3.81	91.0	10.0	72.0	4.25
PO4-P Bray P1 (1:7)	mg/kg	6	14.3	1.20	11.6	1.47	43.2	4.10	72.1	8.36	66.7	5.90
PO4-P Olsen/Bicarb	mg/kg	49	14.2	1.03	12.0	1.00	26.1	1.70	24.4	3.35	42.0	2.37
PO4-P AB-DTPA	mg/kg	2	6.18	0.375	4.34	0.060	9.20	2.10	15.5	1.13	17.9	0.04
PO4-P Modified Morgan	mg/kg	6	3.15	0.510	2.00	0.465	6.82	0.415	10.2	1.43	9.41	1.21
PO4-P True Morgan	mg/kg	6	3.58	0.950	2.10	0.110	7.85	0.395	12.9	1.10	12.0	0.600
PO4-P Mod. Kewlona	mg/kg	4	10.3	1.05	9.30	0.650	37.5	3.75	55.5	2.75	52.0	4.30
PO4-P Stong Bray (1:10)	mg/kg	8	45.3	5.25	171	19.2	63.7	3.76	107	6.50	177	12.1
PO4-P Water Soluble	mg/kg	1	8.38	0.00	0.435	0.165	2.27	0.520	7.47	3.61	5.38	1.48
SO4 - S (PO4 Extr.)	mg/kg	35	8.00	1.00	3.00	0.521	8.05	1.675	3.00	0.325	6.60	1.60

Bases

K Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	69	84.9	6.94	128	7.34	226	17.0	135	17.9	694	40.3
Ca Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	64	1820	128	2050	146	1680	78.4	492	76.0	1510	87.0
Mg Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	64	86.5	6.50	471	33.6	482	31.0	125	16.5	356	23.0
Na Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	51	14.6	3.22	58.7	5.25	12.2	1.89	9.2	1.60	81.8	7.58
Bray Extractable K	mg/kg	4	70.0	3.51	86.3	4.50	174	6.17	144	11.6	505	44.0
K- Olsen/Bicarb.	mg/kg	6	72.4	8.50	108	7.15	185	3.50	111	12.7	595	17.5
K Modified Morgan	mg/kg	4	77.6	6.50	112	14.5	235	2.06	102	13.2	652	79.5
K True Morgan	mg/kg	5	65.0	4.40	90.0	0.600	158	3.00	111	2.00	500	16.0
Ca Modified Morgan	mg/kg	4	1990	220	1720	227	1690	67.6	375	45.0	1480	68.0
Aluminum KCL Extr.	mg/kg	3	5.00	0.220	2.00	1.50	1.64	0.960	2.00	0.040	1.00	0.550

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Mehlich-1 Multi Element (scoop)												
Scoop Soil Mass	g	4	5.00	0.000	5.00	0.000	5.00	0.000	5.00	0.000	5.00	0.000
P	mg/kg	5	14.4	1.30	127	19.8	27.9	4.03	50.3	5.69	131	16.4
K	mg/kg	5	58.6	3.16	72.4	4.89	131	7.30	111	5.99	449	29.6
Ca	mg/kg	5	2110	164	1780	93.3	1630	41.2	471	34.1	1520	45.1
Mg	mg/kg	5	93.6	6.91	361	3.59	443	6.60	121	7.95	321	13.8
Mn	mg/kg	4	190	24.8	14.9	1.39	29.0	1.52	20.7	2.84	50.6	4.09
Zn	mg/kg	4	1.32	0.065	1.41	0.122	2.37	0.120	2.10	0.108	1.24	0.045
Mehlich-3 Multi-Element (scoop)												
Scoop Soil Mass	g	23	2.13	0.130	2.23	0.230	2.00	0.120	2.75	0.280	2.00	0.050
Assumed Density	g/cm ³	11	1.18	0.020	1.18	0.050	1.08	0.084	1.38	0.200	1.10	0.085
Volume of Scoop	cm ³	19	2.00	0.000	2.00	0.000	2.00	0.000	2.00	0.000	2.00	0.000
Extractant Volume mL	mL	21	20.0	0.000	20.0	0.000	20.0	0.000	20.0	0.000	20.0	0.000
P Colorimetric	mg/kg	19	27.5	1.60	18.2	0.900	51.4	2.40	88.7	12.1	73.7	5.50
P ICP-AES	mg/kg	39	30.2	1.96	18.5	1.53	73.9	4.86	100.5	8.90	79.2	5.00
K	mg/kg	44	89.0	5.07	128	8.00	226	9.75	155	16.8	700	37.7
Ca	mg/kg	40	2050	106	2070	128	1820	80.8	555	84.6	1610	72.2
Mg	mg/kg	40	105	6.50	501	39.5	516	29.0	153	15.3	380	22.6
Na	mg/kg	30	15.8	2.10	55.4	6.49	12.4	2.02	10.2	1.91	80.0	7.00
S	mg/kg	32	12.6	1.52	4.87	0.643	16.0	1.42	7.50	1.59	8.29	1.79
Al	mg/kg	25	731	48.2	770	82.0	876	63.4	560	82.5	716	60.5
Zn	mg/kg	36	1.84	0.250	2.10	0.195	3.40	0.330	3.20	0.430	2.03	0.176
Mn	mg/kg	36	327	22.7	19.4	2.51	68.2	6.66	126	13.9	80.0	5.30
Fe	mg/kg	34	255	19.4	250	28.9	176	19.5	150	22.3	174	17.9
Cu	mg/kg	36	1.44	0.230	2.20	0.210	1.50	0.150	1.57	0.275	2.31	0.131
B	mg/kg	29	0.500	0.065	0.285	0.067	0.470	0.065	0.300	0.059	0.350	0.055

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Micronutrients												
Zn - DTPA	mg/kg	63	0.840	0.078	1.19	0.110	2.10	0.150	0.915	0.135	1.20	0.100
Mn - DTPA	mg/kg	45	89.8	8.60	9.25	1.07	29.8	4.06	6.15	0.950	47.8	5.06
Fe - DTPA	mg/kg	49	90.0	12.0	43.8	6.53	59.4	9.49	11.7	2.70	50.1	6.70
Cu - DTPA	mg/kg	51	0.800	0.100	1.48	0.133	0.775	0.105	0.490	0.090	1.42	0.130
Zn - HCl	mg/kg	2	2.21	0.51	2.82	0.145	3.38	0.195	2.49	0.015	2.23	0.395
Mn-H3PO4	mg/kg	10	146	4.57	9.80	0.420	25.8	0.900	21.6	2.84	41.6	1.50
Cl - Ca(NO3)2 Extr.	mg/kg	18	6.00	1.26	3.80	0.900	2.38	0.329	2.48	0.409	7.50	1.50
B - Hot Wat.	mg/kg	37	0.240	0.060	0.150	0.018	0.475	0.091	0.150	0.026	0.400	0.056
B-DTPA/Sorbitol	mg/kg	16	0.180	0.030	0.100	0.015	0.215	0.040	0.098	0.014	0.190	0.040
Soil Organic Matter												
Soil Kjeldahl N	%	14	0.116	0.007	0.041	0.004	0.184	0.011	0.040	0.004	0.094	0.006
Soil TN (combustion)	%	34	0.125	0.012	0.050	0.011	0.194	0.017	0.050	0.010	0.107	0.012
Soil TOC (Combustion)	%	7	1.08	0.053	0.380	0.013	1.99	0.074	0.410	0.030	1.08	0.040
Soil Total C (Combustion)	%	23	1.14	0.040	0.418	0.025	2.02	0.058	0.435	0.020	1.07	0.030
SOM - Walkley-Black	%	28	1.88	0.120	0.697	0.097	3.24	0.245	0.743	0.110	1.83	0.130
SOM - LOI (% Wt loss)	%	67	2.60	0.170	1.73	0.250	4.00	0.280	0.810	0.080	2.58	0.200
Other												
CaCO3 Content	%	11	0.700	0.150	0.700	0.163	0.765	0.163	0.450	0.101	0.690	0.160
CEC - Cation Displacement	cmol/kg	19	10.2	1.09	16.2	1.80	17.3	2.30	3.63	0.850	15.1	2.03
CEC - Estimation	cmol/kg	13	10.1	0.490	14.3	1.33	16.0	2.04	4.10	0.250	14.6	0.920
Soil Density (Scoop)	g/cc	14	1.21	0.025	1.28	0.025	1.12	0.030	1.58	0.025	1.14	0.040
Particle Size Analysis-Hydrometer												
Sand 2000 - 50 um	%	36	17.5	4.20	72.1	2.00	13.1	2.54	88.7	1.55	24.6	3.50
Silt 50 - 2 um	%	36	64.5	3.50	18.0	1.80	63.8	4.40	6.40	1.55	59.0	4.05
Clay 2 - 0 um	%	36	18.3	1.98	10.1	2.06	22.7	3.27	4.62	1.15	17.1	1.90
Particle Size Analysis- Pipette												
Sand 2000 - 50 um	%	2	15.0	3.47	73.8	3.55	8.16	4.04	89.2	0.305	21.9	1.20
Silt 50 - 2 um	%	2	69.8	1.02	18.0	1.95	72.0	2.01	7.32	0.385	64.5	2.04
Clay 2 - 0 um	%	2	15.2	2.45	8.28	1.64	19.8	2.04	3.39	0.690	13.3	0.950

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