



2020 North American Proficiency Testing Program  
Quarter 2 Soil Report - Friday, July 3, 2020

Laboratory ID  
General

Soil	Soil 2020-106				Soil 2020-107			Soil 2020-108			Soil 2020-109			Soil 2020-110			
Analysis	Units	n	Median	MAD	Lab <sup>1,2</sup>	Median	MAD	Lab <sup>1,2</sup>	Median	MAD	Lab <sup>1,2</sup>	Median	MAD	Lab <sup>1,2</sup>	Median	MAD	Lab <sup>1,2</sup>
<b>Salinity</b>																	
Sat. Paste Moisture	%	15	70.4	7.20		64.0	4.70		39.0	3.50		49.3	3.26		50.0	3.05	
pH - sp	Unit	24	6.94	0.075		6.95	0.075		7.33	0.065		4.96	0.060		5.94	0.125	
ECe - sp	dS/m	23	2.26	0.210		0.930	0.060		0.990	0.110		1.93	0.210		1.19	0.110	
HCO <sub>3</sub> - sp	mmol/L	9	4.43	0.64		3.75	0.36		3.62	0.47		0.410	0.037		1.08	0.156	
Ca - sp	mmol/L	18	8.48	1.31		7.40	0.440		8.70	0.940		10.6	0.924		8.63	1.19	
Mg - sp	mmol/L	18	4.86	0.790		1.18	0.110		0.905	0.110		3.68	0.390		1.27	0.150	
Na - sp	mmol/L	18	1.98	0.245		0.222	0.025		0.370	0.038		0.510	0.045		0.400	0.065	
SAR - sp	value	14	0.800	0.100		0.110	0.010		0.190	0.030		0.200	0.008		0.176	0.030	
Cl - sp	mmol/L	12	3.20	0.405		0.190	0.016		0.310	0.070		0.225	0.021		0.594	0.098	
SO <sub>4</sub> - sp	mmol/L	12	3.45	0.360		0.420	0.045		1.53	0.092		0.474	0.050		0.710	0.082	
NO <sub>3</sub> - sp	mmol/L	7	6.39	3.55		4.36	0.460		3.56	2.22		13.3	0.450		7.21	2.22	
B - sp	mg/L	10	0.180	0.034		0.108	0.022		0.050	0.009		0.215	0.026		0.050	0.004	
<b>Soil pH &amp; EC</b>																	
Soil EC (1:1)	(dS/m)	38	0.940	0.098		0.365	0.040		0.390	0.048		0.685	0.055		0.482	0.044	
Soil EC (1:2)	(dS/m)	37	0.770	0.136		0.317	0.043		0.283	0.033		0.503	0.088		0.350	0.060	
pH (1:1) Water	Unit	77	7.00	0.090		7.04	0.071		7.48	0.054		5.10	0.070		5.92	0.060	
pH (1:2) Water	Unit	22	7.10	0.105		7.15	0.092		7.59	0.085		5.22	0.055		6.00	0.070	
pH (1:1) 0.01M CaCl <sub>2</sub>	Unit	25	6.76	0.040		6.73	0.070		7.19	0.039		4.83	0.040		5.66	0.035	
pH (1:2) 0.01M CaCl <sub>2</sub>	Unit	7	6.70	0.060		6.72	0.040		7.10	0.070		4.86	0.060		5.68	0.050	
<b>Buffer pH, Lime Req.</b>																	
SMP Buffer pH	Unit	25	7.06	0.100		7.11	0.082		7.35	0.050		6.30	0.090		6.93	0.080	
Adams-Evans Buf pH	Unit	8	7.71	0.055		7.70	0.080		7.82	0.030		7.35	0.045		7.66	0.030	
Woodruff Buf. pH	Unit	20	6.94	0.040		6.96	0.040		7.05	0.030		6.34	0.040		6.75	0.040	
Mehlich Buffer pH	Unit	7	6.57	0.010		6.56	0.010		6.74	0.060		5.84	0.055		6.30	0.015	
Sikora Buffer pH	Unit	28	7.20	0.045		7.20	0.030		7.41	0.032		6.41	0.070		7.01	0.040	
Titrateable Acidity	cmol/kg																
<b>Inorganic Nitrogen (NO<sub>3</sub>-N &amp; NH<sub>4</sub>-N)</b>																	
NO <sub>3</sub> -N Cd. Rd.	mg/kg	62	110	16.4		45.0	6.05		39.3	2.15		111	12.6		69.4	4.13	
NO <sub>3</sub> -N ISE	mg/kg	7	116	24.6		55.4	8.75		42.7	5.20		116	7.25		74.0	10.7	
NO <sub>3</sub> -N CTA	mg/kg	1	151			54.9			41.6			144			82.9		
NO <sub>3</sub> -N Ion Chr.	mg/kg	2	128	7.50		51.4	0.350		41.0			126	5.50		79.9	1.90	
NO <sub>3</sub> -N Other _____	mg/kg	6	125	3.25		50.0	2.50		38.7	2.00		122	4.60		75.0	3.15	
NH <sub>4</sub> - N (KCl Extr.)	mg/kg	46	149	21.8		4.05	0.675		4.21	0.510		6.77	0.570		2.82	0.460	
<b>Phosphorus and Sulfur</b>																	
PO <sub>4</sub> -P Bray P (1:10)	mg/kg	41	434	54.0		149	10.4		45.3	3.62		99.2	5.83		43.6	2.60	
PO <sub>4</sub> -P Bray P1 (1:7)	mg/kg	5	322	3.40		93.6	9.90		35.7	4.30		94.6	1.70		34.8	0.380	
PO <sub>4</sub> -P Olsen/Bicarb	mg/kg	50	142	14.6		68.7	6.50		30.1	2.06		62.0	4.00		28.4	1.48	
PO <sub>4</sub> -P AB-DTPA	mg/kg	1	91.6			41.0			24.4			36.4			17.7		
PO <sub>4</sub> -P Modified Morgan	mg/kg	4	170	17.5		41.8	2.45		23.5	3.40		12.6	0.750		6.90	0.900	
PO <sub>4</sub> -P True Morgan	mg/kg	7	167	6.20		41.3	1.20		26.2	0.700		14.1	0.300		7.40	0.200	
PO <sub>4</sub> -P Mod. Kewlona	mg/kg	2	324	22.0		133	1.00		23.8	1.85		94.0	5.45		25.2	3.80	
PO <sub>4</sub> -P Stong Bray (1:10)	mg/kg	11	951	68.6		380	11.0		218	6.50		175	5.00		76.0	3.92	
PO <sub>4</sub> -P Water Soluble	mg/kg	1	15.1			10.5			4.11			23.4			3.05		
SO <sub>4</sub> - S (PO <sub>4</sub> Extr.)	mg/kg	29	32.5	4.33		5.09	0.57		10.2	0.940		5.44	0.60		7.00	1.18	

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Bases												
K Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	69	697	99.8	364	55.1	165	10.4	698	54.5	208	14.3
Ca Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	63	2,270	322	3,990	505	2,500	229	1,670	144	1,250	101
Mg Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	63	352	43.0	147	18.6	87.5	5.78	207	15.0	70.2	4.40
Na Ammonium Acetate	mg/kg	52	56.1	8.16	13.8	2.20	13.8	1.95	16.8	2.20	12.1	1.93
Bray Extractable K	mg/kg	4	479	53.4	312	27.0	135	8.00	515	19.8	169	11.4
K- Olsen/Bicarb.	mg/kg	3	826	5.00	377	4.00	150	2.00	696	4.00	220	4.00
K Modified Morgan	mg/kg	3	809	2.10	385	4.30	148	9.00	755	12.0	207	19.3
K True Morgan	mg/kg	5	690	17.0	302	17.0	112	1.20	526	6.00	175	7.00
Ca Modified Morgan	mg/kg	2	3,570	133	5,030	1,120	3,020	152	1,740	140	1,270	165
Aluminum KCL Extr.	mg/kg	5	1.00	0.280	0.400	0.100	0.200	0.022	1.00	0.478	0.560	0.233

Mehlich-1 Multi Element (scoop)												
Scoop Soil Mass	g	4	5.00		5.00		5.00		5.00		5.00	
P	mg/kg	10	517	69.8	137	27.4	115	14.8	129	20.2	43.0	4.55
K	mg/kg	10	512	43.0	286	36.7	119	8.80	474	31.7	163	12.0
Ca	mg/kg	10	3,980	421	5,120	612	3,610	306	1,810	106	1,250	30.9
Mg	mg/kg	10	381	21.0	174	15.2	102	6.08	197	14.1	66.9	4.16
Mn	mg/kg	9	467	71.5	54.4	05.2	70.9	2.82	68.9	5.20	56.9	6.40
Zn	mg/kg	9	24.9	2.57	5.18	0.82	3.06	0.300	1.50	0.180	2.94	0.170

Mehlich-3 Mult-Element (scoop)												
Scoop Soil Mass	g	22	1.54	0.060	1.51	0.090	2.19	0.110	1.74	0.100	1.87	0.111
Assumed Density	g/cm3	19	0.805	0.059	0.792	0.068	1.16	0.070	0.902	0.066	0.990	0.090
Volume of Scoop	cm3	24	2.00		2.00		2.00		2.00		2.00	
Extractant Volume mL	mL	16	20.0		20.0		20.0		20.0		20.0	
P Colorimetric	mg/kg	12	542	108	208	5.50	69.5	3.50	106	6.00	54.3	2.02
P ICP-AES	mg/kg	47	624	42.0	218	10.4	75.5	2.92	123	6.44	57.9	3.05
K	mg/kg	50	653	39.5	418	27.8	174	8.44	699	41.9	211	13.0
Ca	mg/kg	48	2,990	214	4,890	458	3,160	116	1,760	106	1,320	81.2
Mg	mg/kg	48	392	23.4	186	13.5	109	5.30	218	12.7	79.2	4.46
Na	mg/kg	38	56.0	4.55	28.2	2.54	15.8	2.35	17.1	1.85	13.9	2.09
S	mg/kg	44	48.0	2.50	11.7	0.980	17.6	1.18	12.4	0.840	12.4	0.810
Al	mg/kg	31	651	26.8	1,020	63.0	380	21.3	864	69.4	676	39.9
Zn	mg/kg	46	25.2	1.80	8.09	0.505	3.00	0.240	1.83	0.150	3.48	0.220
Mn	mg/kg	44	407	30.6	126	14.4	127	18.4	108	7.08	352	40.4
Fe	mg/kg	44	353	31.2	314	22.6	388	43.6	194	13.9	186	9.90
Cu	mg/kg	42	10.3	1.18	1.20	0.110	1.71	0.260	2.31	0.190	1.22	0.090
B	mg/kg	35	1.53	0.080	1.07	0.090	0.760	0.110	0.500	0.060	0.385	0.075

Micronutrients												
Zn - DTPA	mg/kg	61	12.5	1.58	2.86	0.345	1.40	0.108	1.33	0.093	1.78	0.140
Mn - DTPA	mg/kg	47	261	35.4	10.6	2.38	16.6	2.70	66.8	7.20	43.8	0.62
Fe - DTPA	mg/kg	51	192	18.7	54.3	7.54	74.8	8.52	83.8	7.17	49.0	5.80
Cu - DTPA	mg/kg	52	10.5	1.35	0.480	0.072	1.11	0.090	1.40	0.155	0.742	0.058
Zn - HCl	mg/kg	3	22.6	6.05	7.50	1.42	2.90	0.610	1.57	0.170	3.09	0.810
Mn-H3PO4	mg/kg	14	374	59.5	25.7	3.45	43.8	7.78	57.2	8.41	38.0	6.55
Cl - Ca(NO3)2 Extr.	mg/kg	13	64.7	4.70	4.21	0.67	5.46	0.984	4.00	0.66	10.6	1.43
B - Hot Wat.	mg/kg	23	1.10	0.250	0.600	0.067	0.310	0.053	0.500	0.050	0.288	0.058
B-DTPA/Sorbitol	mg/kg	21	0.770	0.107	0.350	0.050	0.280	0.020	0.259	0.041	0.150	0.014

Soil Organic Matter												
Soil Kjeldahl N	%	11	0.503	0.022	0.234	0.014	0.120	0.001	0.168	0.007	0.113	0.004
Soil TN (combustion)	%	30	0.530	0.013	0.246	0.007	0.122	0.012	0.172	0.008	0.118	0.008
Soil TOC (Combustion)	%	11	4.70	0.210	3.60	0.120	1.24	0.103	2.02	0.100	1.10	0.080
Soil Total C (Combustion)	%	26	4.85	0.150	3.78	0.144	1.28	0.050	1.99	0.070	1.08	0.040

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<b>SOM - Walkley-Black</b>	%	19	<b>8.20</b>	0.600	<b>5.96</b>	0.322	<b>2.12</b>	0.123	<b>3.50</b>	0.100	<b>1.94</b>	0.135
<b>SOM - LOI (% Wt loss)</b>	%	65	<b>9.24</b>	0.300	<b>5.84</b>	0.180	<b>2.50</b>	0.100	<b>3.93</b>	0.130	<b>2.40</b>	0.100
<b>Other</b>												
<b>CaCO3 Content</b>	%	8	<b>1.12</b>	0.104	<b>1.28</b>	0.119	<b>0.845</b>	0.096	<b>0.400</b>	0.140	<b>0.400</b>	0.052
<b>CEC - Cation Displacement</b>	cmol/kg	10	<b>19.3</b>	2.12	<b>21.2</b>	4.94	<b>12.2</b>	2.00	<b>15.6</b>	1.74	<b>8.35</b>	0.595
<b>CEC - Estimation</b>	cmol/kg	11	<b>17.8</b>	2.58	<b>24.0</b>	3.76	<b>13.3</b>	2.02	<b>16.0</b>	1.99	<b>7.90</b>	0.800
<b>Soil Density (Scoop)</b>	g/cc	13	<b>0.900</b>	0.035	<b>0.870</b>	0.013	<b>1.27</b>	0.040	<b>1.01</b>	0.032	<b>1.10</b>	0.040
<b>Particle Size Analysis-Hydrometer</b>												
<b>Sand 2000 - 50 um</b>	%	29	<b>31.8</b>	4.80	<b>26.0</b>	4.40	<b>30.0</b>	3.30	<b>19.0</b>	4.00	<b>13.0</b>	1.31
<b>Silt 50 - 2 um</b>	%	29	<b>45.2</b>	4.56	<b>57.5</b>	4.80	<b>54.0</b>	3.42	<b>60.0</b>	4.00	<b>72.0</b>	4.00
<b>Clay 2 - 0 um</b>	%	29	<b>22.0</b>	3.80	<b>16.0</b>	3.00	<b>15.0</b>	2.03	<b>21.0</b>	3.00	<b>15.0</b>	1.95
<b>Particle Size Analysis- Pipette</b>												
<b>Sand 2000 - 50 um</b>	%	3	<b>24.0</b>	2.80	<b>21.0</b>	5.00	<b>23.5</b>	3.50	<b>10.0</b>	1.82	<b>6.00</b>	0.080
<b>Silt 50 - 2 um</b>	%	3	<b>51.0</b>	3.50	<b>63.0</b>	5.00	<b>60.0</b>	1.00	<b>68.0</b>	5.10	<b>78.0</b>	1.00
<b>Clay 2 - 0 um</b>	%	3	<b>24.3</b>	0.700	<b>16.0</b>	1.00	<b>15.0</b>	1.50	<b>22.0</b>		<b>15.0</b>	1.00
<b>Solvita CO2</b>												
<b>Solvita CO2</b>	ppm	8	<b>119</b>	15.7	<b>111</b>	11.2	<b>61.0</b>	06.1	<b>27.1</b>	2.47	<b>74.0</b>	17.9

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