

Continuous Instream Monitoring: Responding to Increasing Deep Well Activity

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Purpose and Scope

Purpose and scope is unique – results in different methodologies

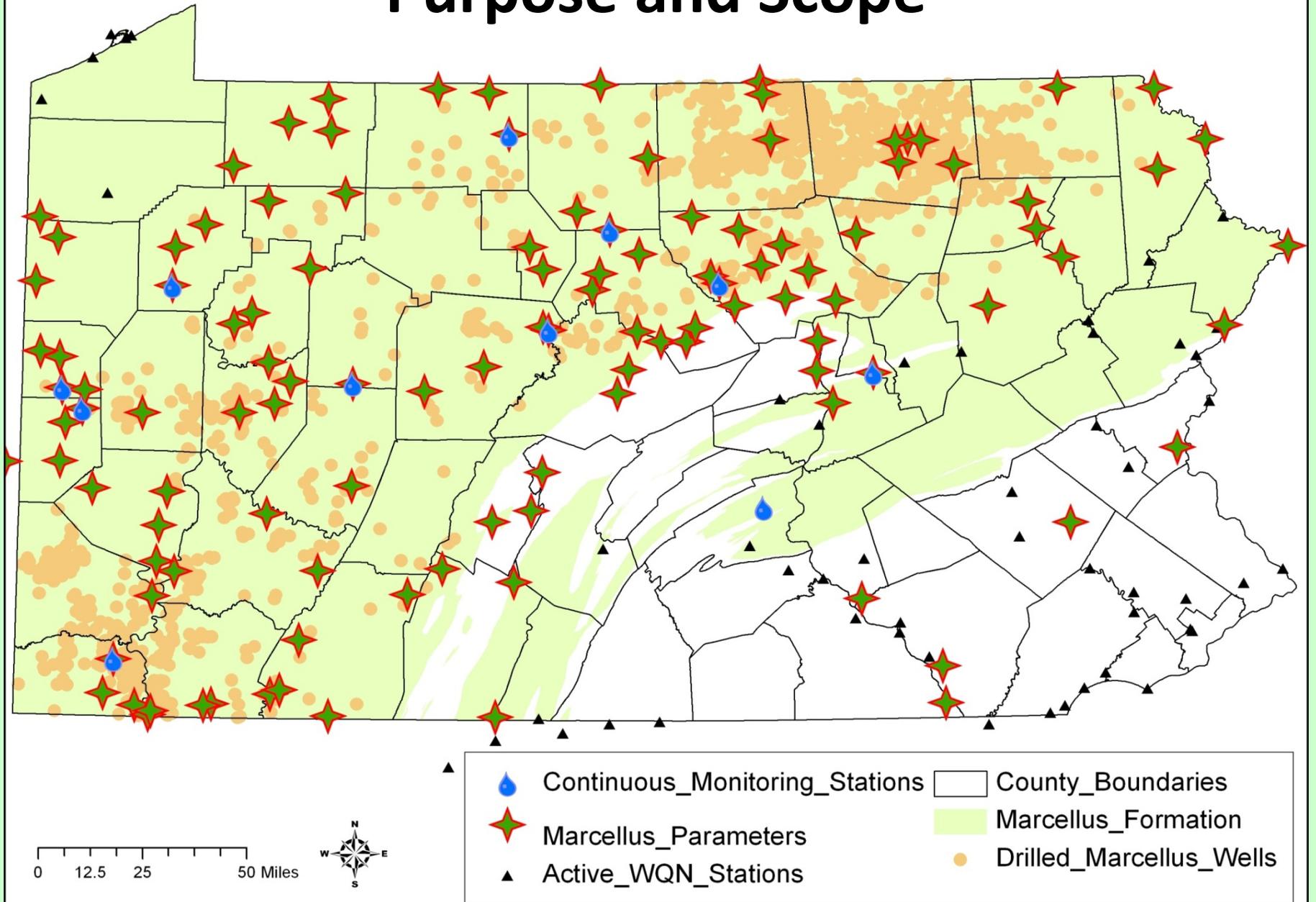
Objectives:

- Measure baseline stream parameters in areas with deep well activity.
- Discover potential violations to water quality criteria.
- Data collection for Antidegradation surveys

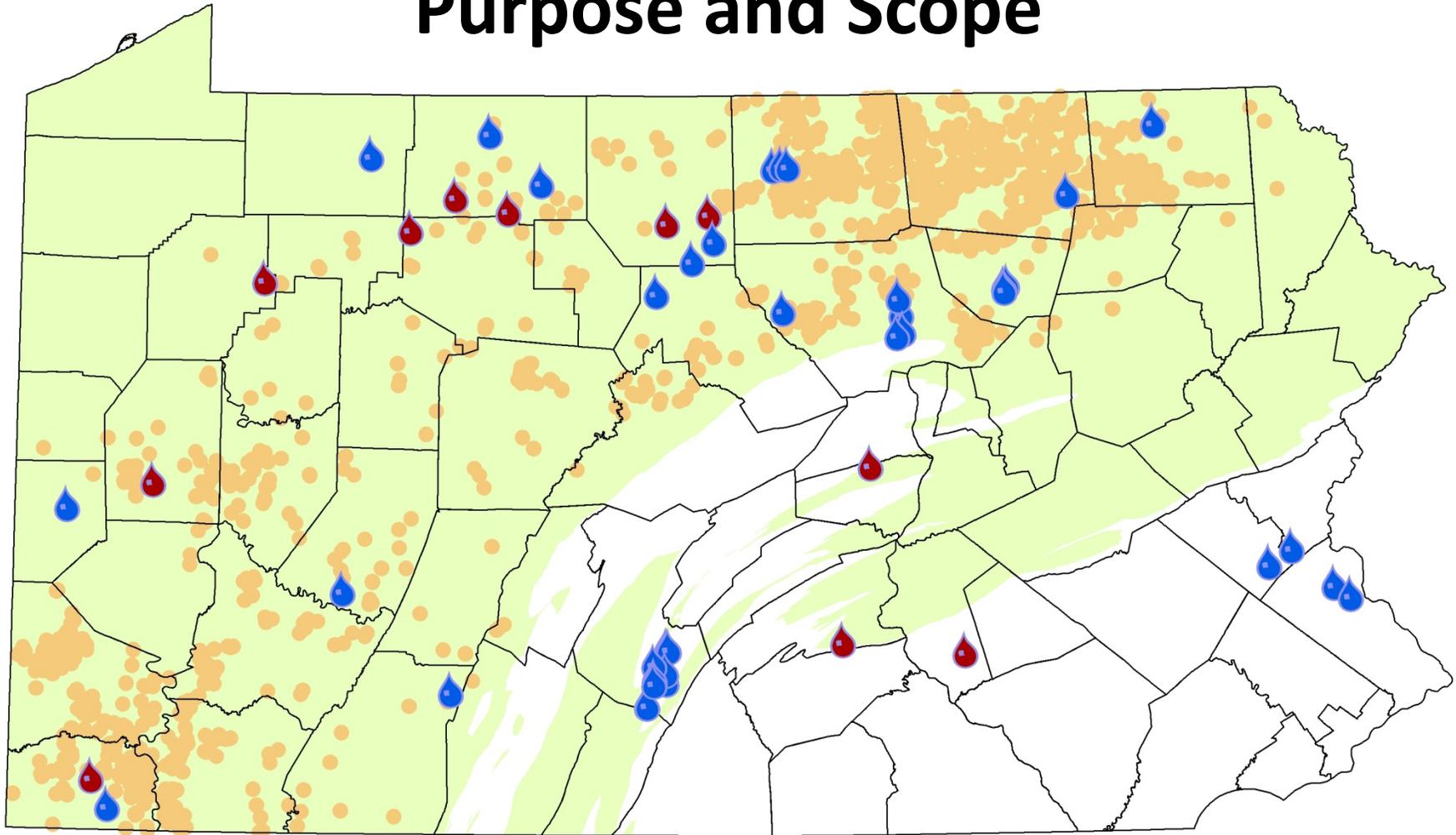
Current Effort:

- Continue annual monitoring cycles
- Development/implementation of a new reporting format and protocol.

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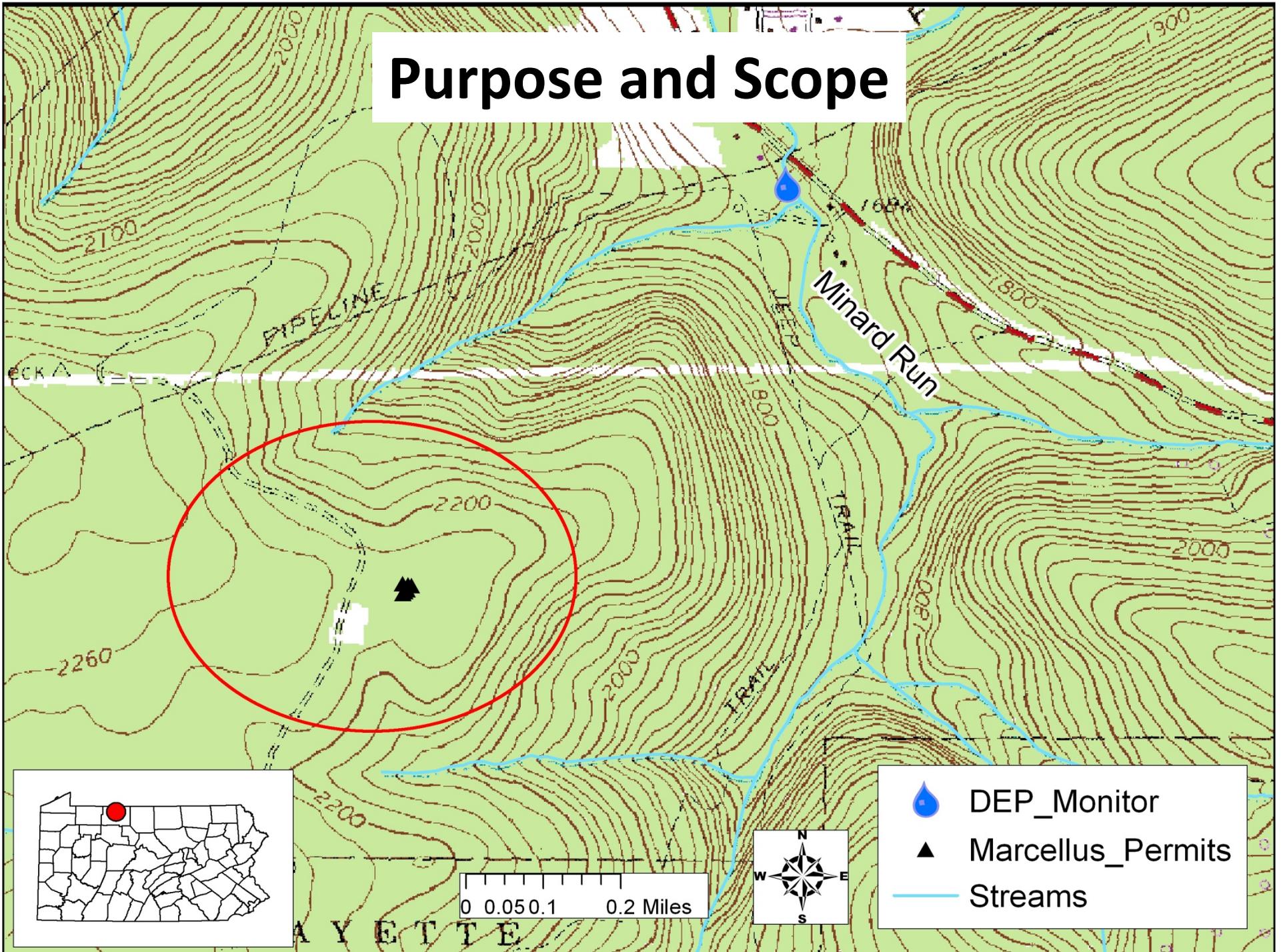


0 12.5 25 50 Miles

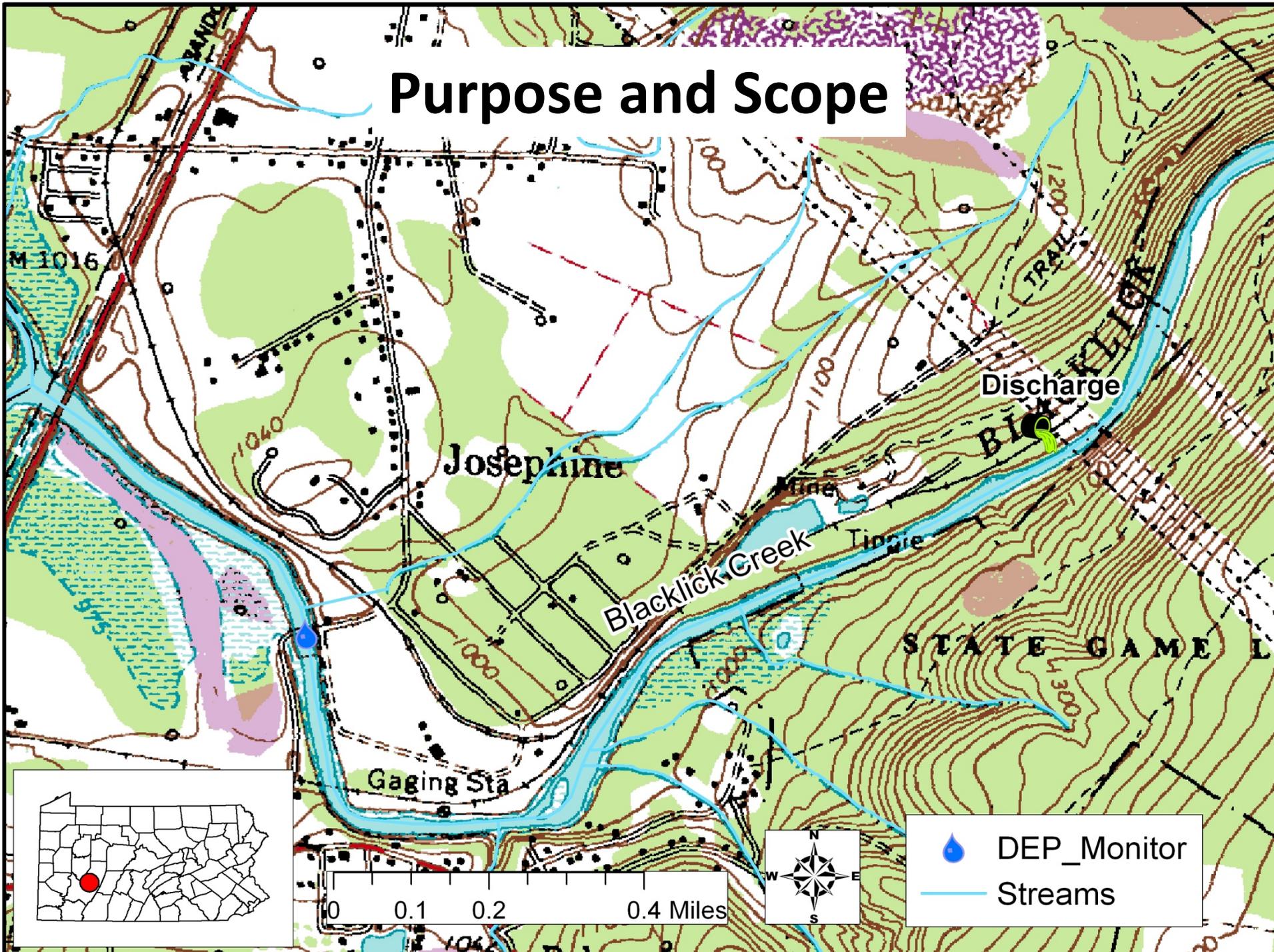


DEP_SONDES	County_Boundaries
Active	Marcellus_Formation
Pulled	Drilled_Marcellus_Wells

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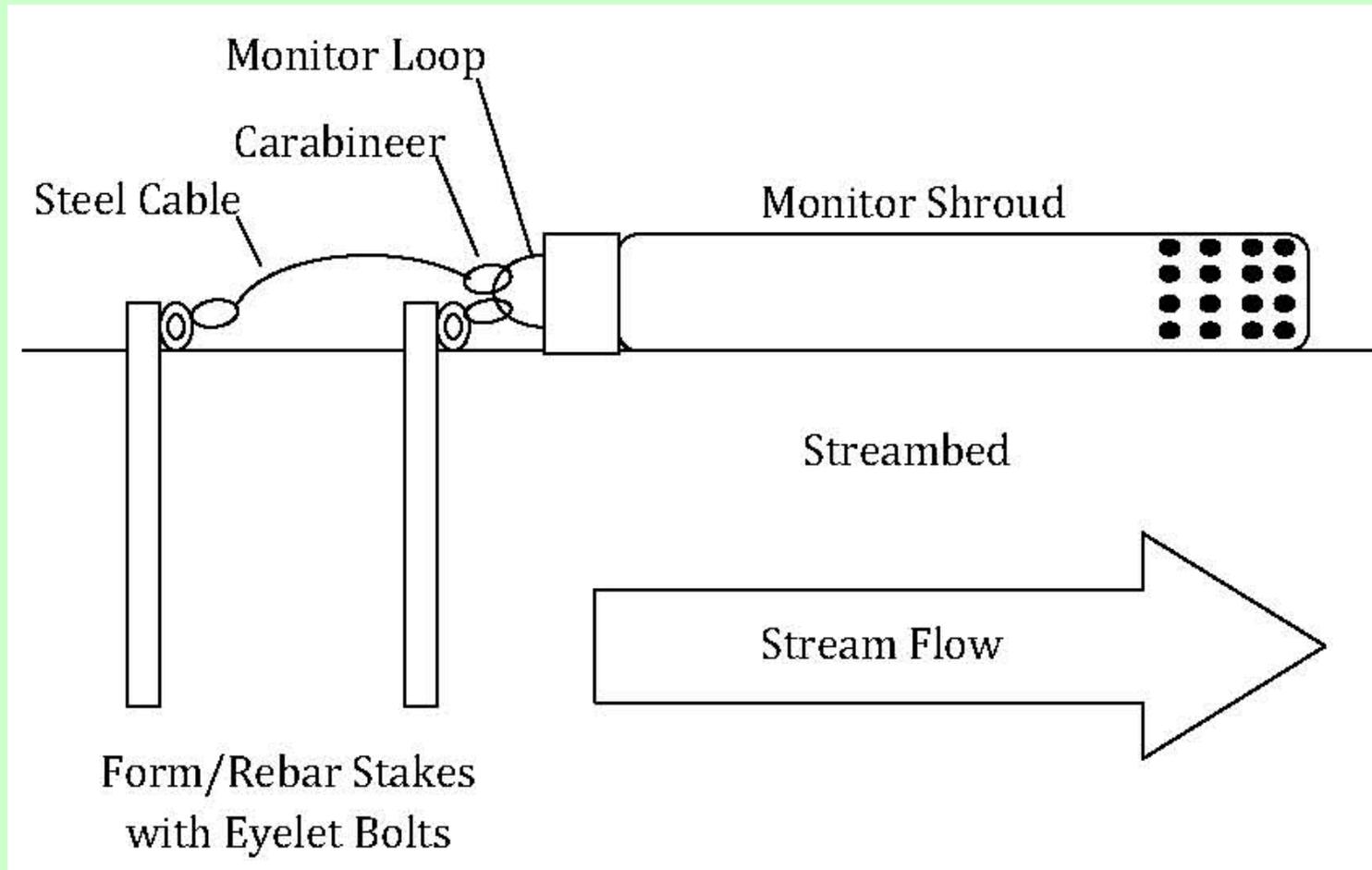
Deployment



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Field Maintenance

- Download and review data
- Side-by-side before and after cleaning checks (Fouling Drift)
- Calibration checks (Calibration Drift)
- Final side-by-side

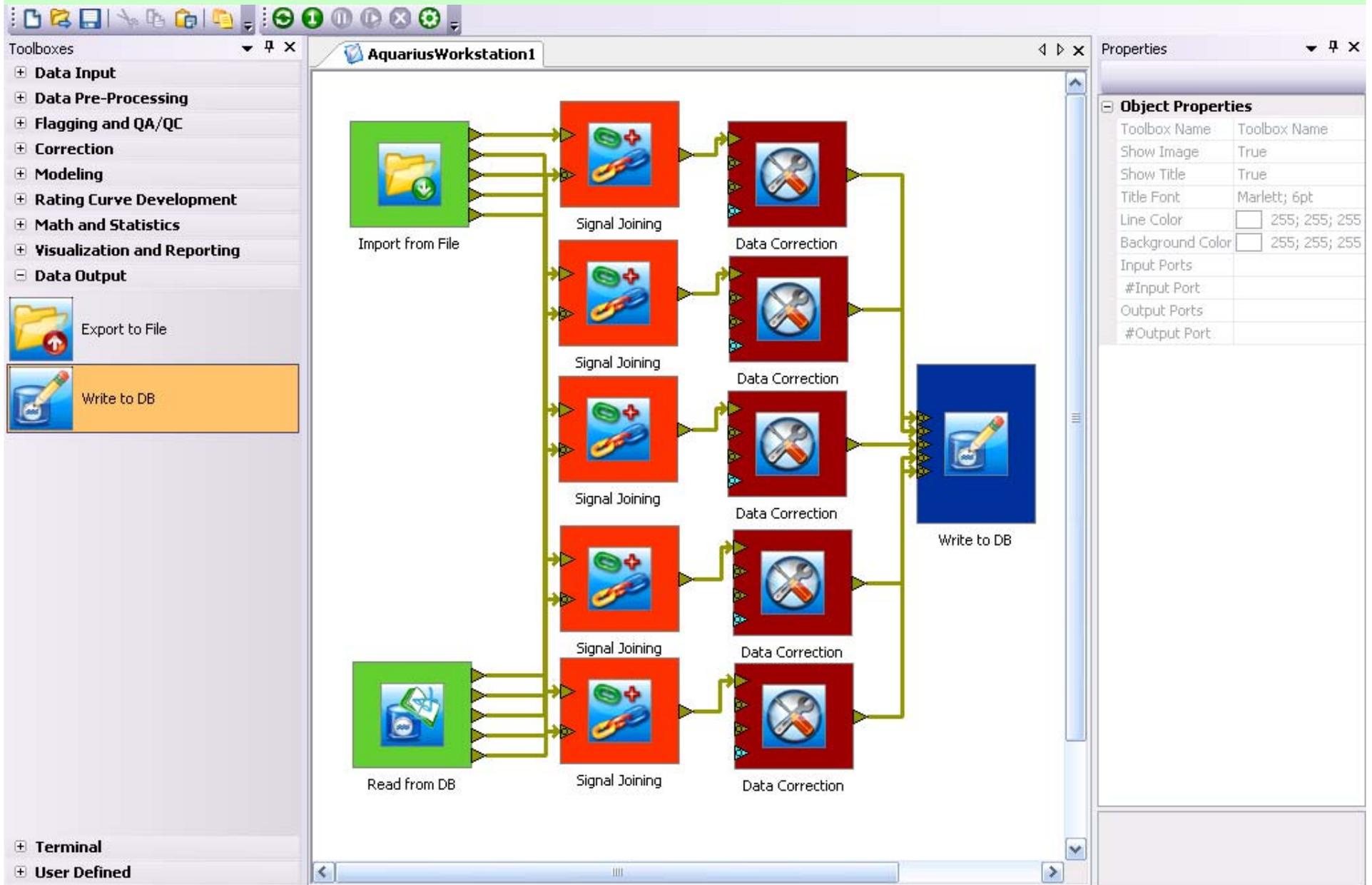
Appendix 3, Field Form

Station Name											
Inspected By											
Date											
Time											
Monitor Make/Model											
Monitor Serial No.											
Field Meter Make/Model											
Field Meter Serial No.											
Comments/Field Name											
MONITOR FOULING CHECKS											
	Before Cleaning	After Cleaning									
	Time	Time									
Parameter	Recorded/Use Value	Field Meter	Recorded/Use Value	Field Meter							
Temp. (°C)											
pH (Digital)											
DO (mg/L)											
SC (µS/cm)											
Turbidity (NTU)											
Other:											
CALIBRATION DRIFT CHECKS		Calibration Check/Recalibration									
BATH		Time									
Bath Pressure(mmHg):		Start Depth		Recalibrated Depth							
Comments:											
SPECIFIC CONDUCTANCE		Calibration Check		Recalibration							
Measured Value		Time		Time							
STD VALUE	STD LOT NO.	STD TYPE	THEORET IC	EP DAT E	STD TEN P	SC READING	SPRO R.1%	STD TEN P	SC READI NG	SR F	SPRO R.1%
100											
1000											
Cell Range*	Reading in air** (Should be 0)										
Comments:											



DISSOLVED OXYGEN		Calibration Check				Recalibration				
Calibration Criteria: 1.02 mg/L		Time		Time		Time		Time		
TEMP	DO PAST	DO PAST	Safety Conn. Pass	DO PAST	DO PAST	DO PAST	Safety Conn. Pass	DO PAST	DO PAST	Reading in air
TEMP	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	DO Sat.
SALINITY:		SALINITY CORRECTION APPLIED?		DO CHARGE		DO GAIN		Date Sensor/ Meter Calibrated		
Comments:										
pH		Calibration Check				Recalibration				
Calibration Criteria: ± 0.2 pH units		Time		Time		Time		Time		
pH Buffer	Theoretical pH from Table	Buffer Lot No.	EP DAT E	TEMP	pH Readi ng	SPRO R.1%	TEMP	pH Readi ng	SPRO R.1%	WELL- VOLTAGE
pH 7										
pH 4										
pH 10										
Comments:										
TURBIDITY		Calibration Check				Recalibration				
Calibration Criteria: ± 0.5 Turbidity units or 2%		Time		Time		Time		Time		
	Lot No. or Date Paged	CONC	TEMP	READING	SPRO R.1%	TEMP	READING	SPRO R.1%		
Zero Standard										
One Standard (20 NTU)										
Standard 1										
Standard 2										
Standard 3										
Turbidity Sensor Model	Comments:									
FINAL READINGS										
Parameter		Recorded/Use Value		Field Meter						
Temp. (°C)										
pH (Digital)										
DO (mg/L)										
SC (µS/cm)										
Turbidity (NTU)										
Other:										
FILE NAME										
LOGGING START TIME										
BATTERY LIFE (DAYS)										
MEMORY (DAYS)										
SONDE LOGGING OR PULLED?										

Data Management



Data Management

Correction Control (pH Units, UTC-0...

Start Point
Date:
No.:

End Point
Date:
No.:

Snap to: Target Signal

Action
Set Approval

Apply

Target: pH Little_K_AT_Blumenthal_5/18/2010_5/11/2011

Raw *Corrected

Little_K_AT_Blumenthal_5/18/2010_5/11/2011 (pH Units)

Grading Approval

Time Series Grid

N.	Date/... YYYY-MM-DD UTC-0...	R.. pH U..	C.. pH U..	G	A	T
0	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
1	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
2	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
3	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
4	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
5	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
6	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
7	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
8	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
9	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
10	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
11	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
12	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
13	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
14	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
15	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
16	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
17	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
18	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
19	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
20	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
21	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
22	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
23	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
24	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
25	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
26	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.
27	2010-...	7...	7...	3	3	1.

Change List

N..	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Type	Creator	Comment	From Time YYYY-MM-DD_H... UTC-05:00	To Time YYYY-MM-DD_H... UTC-05:00	Applied Time YYYY-MM-DD_H... UTC-05:00
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Approval	dushull	Set Approval: 3 - Ap...	2011-04-14 14:0...	2011-05-11 13:0...	2012-02-23 07:3...
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Approval	dushull	Set Approval: 3 - Ap...	2010-12-01 00:3...	2011-02-16 22:1...	2012-02-23 07:3...
3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Approval	dushull	Set Approval: 3 - Ap...	2010-07-20 19:0...	2010-08-31 17:0...	2012-02-23 07:3...
4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grade	mlookenbil	Set Grade: -2 - UNU...	2010-12-01 00:3...	2011-02-16 22:1...	2012-02-08 10:5...
5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grade	mlookenbil	Set Grade: 21 - FAI...	2010-11-24 13:0...	2010-12-01 00:3...	2012-02-08 10:5...

Reporting

Continuous Instream Monitoring Report (CIMR)

STATION DESCRIPTION

STREAM CODE:

STREAM NAME:

SITE NAME:

MOST RECENT REVISION:

REVISED BY:

LATITUDE: LONGITUDE:

COUNTY:

HUC:

LOCATION DESCRIPTION:

DRAINAGE AREA:

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY:

WATER QUALITY PARAMETERS (Table):

EQUIPMENT:

PERIOD OF RECORD:

DATA:

Depth:

Temperature:

Specific Conductance:

pH:

Turbidity:

In-situ Water Chemistry:

Biology:

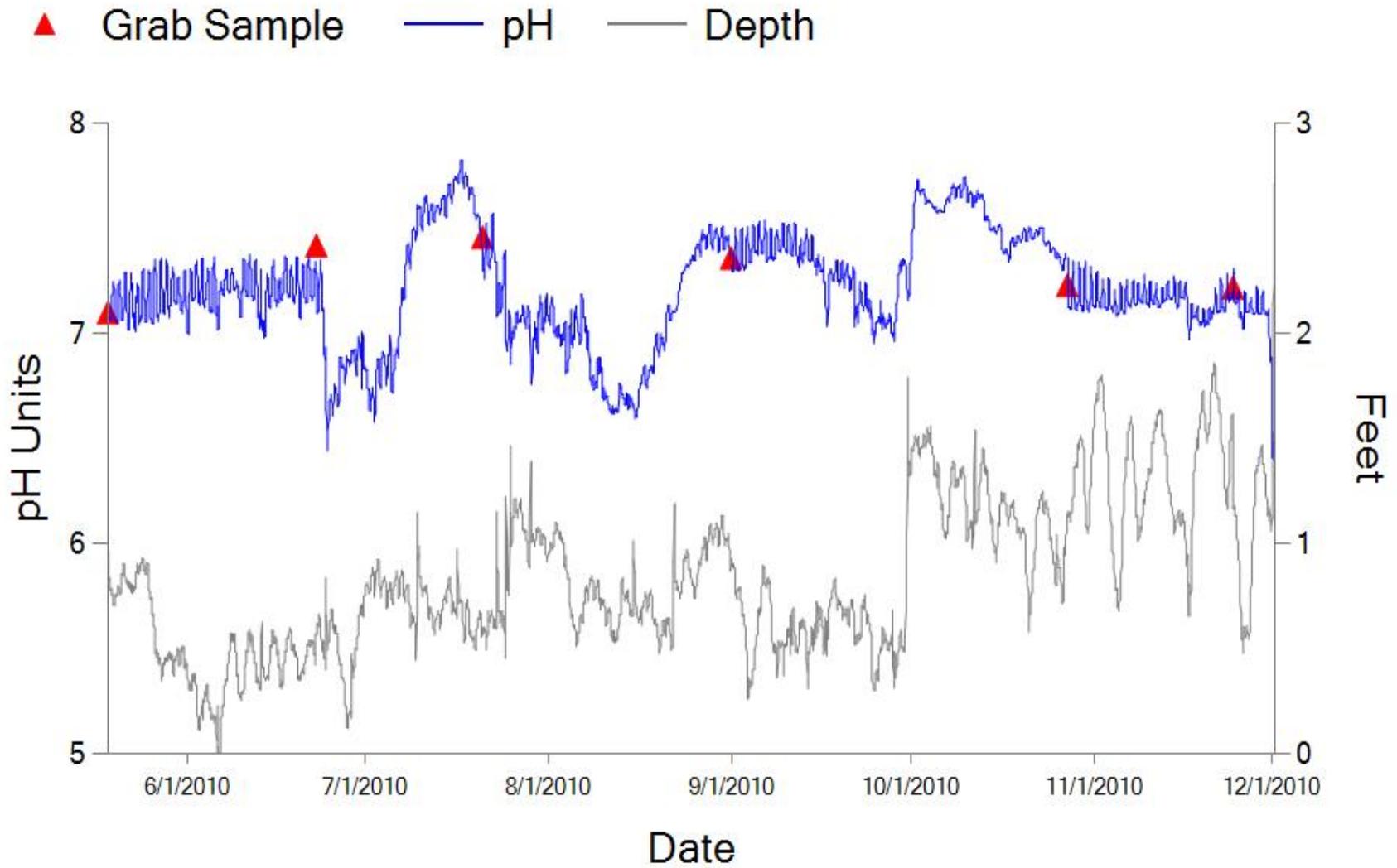
ASSESSMENT:

Conductivity/TDS relationship:

Biological:

SUMMARY:

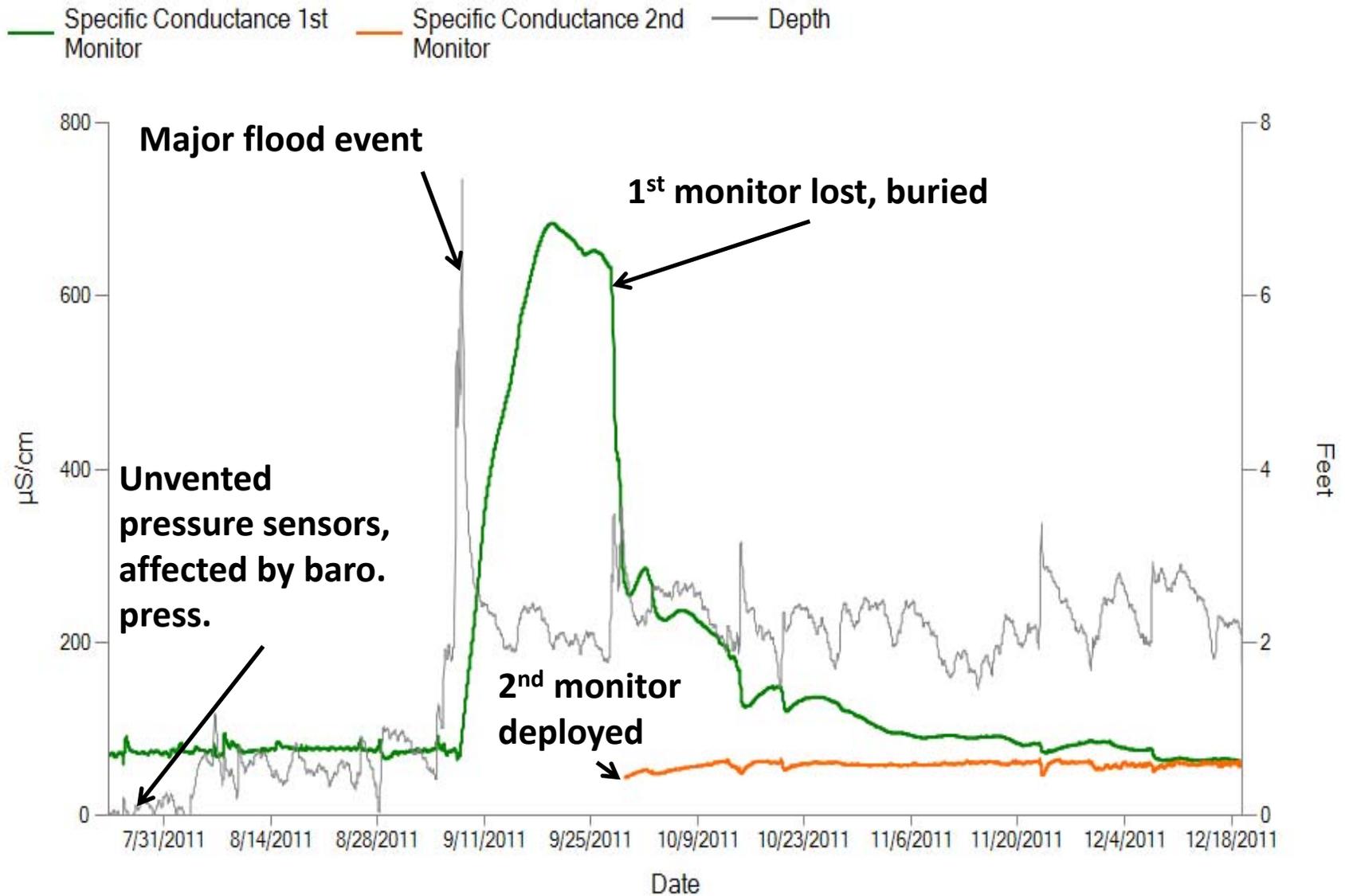
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Lessons Learned

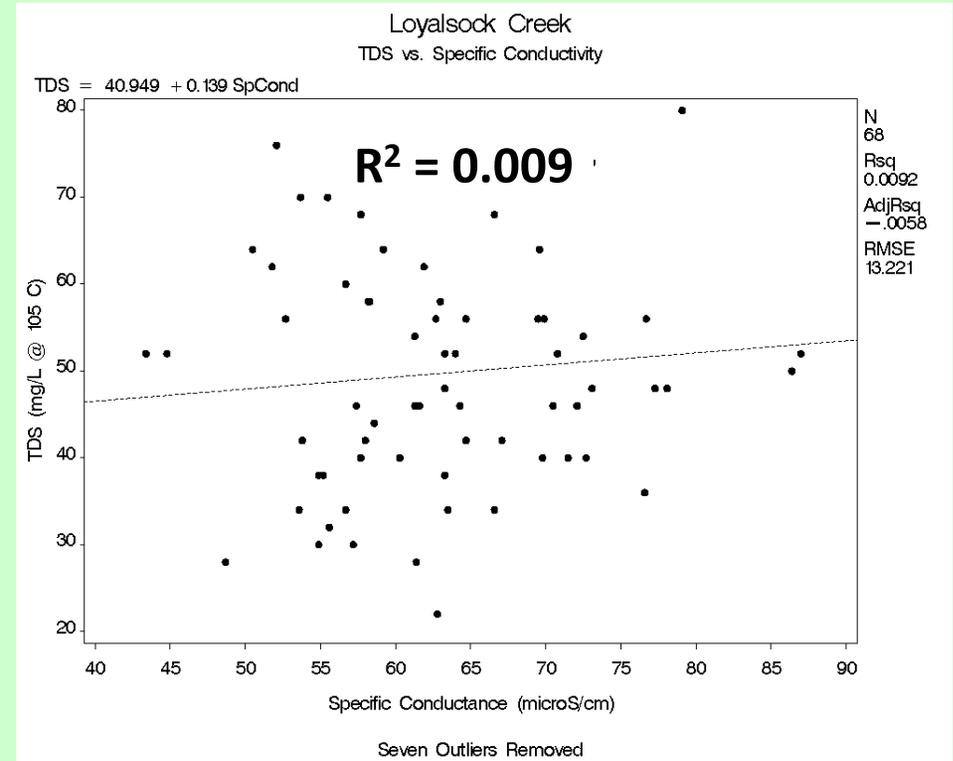
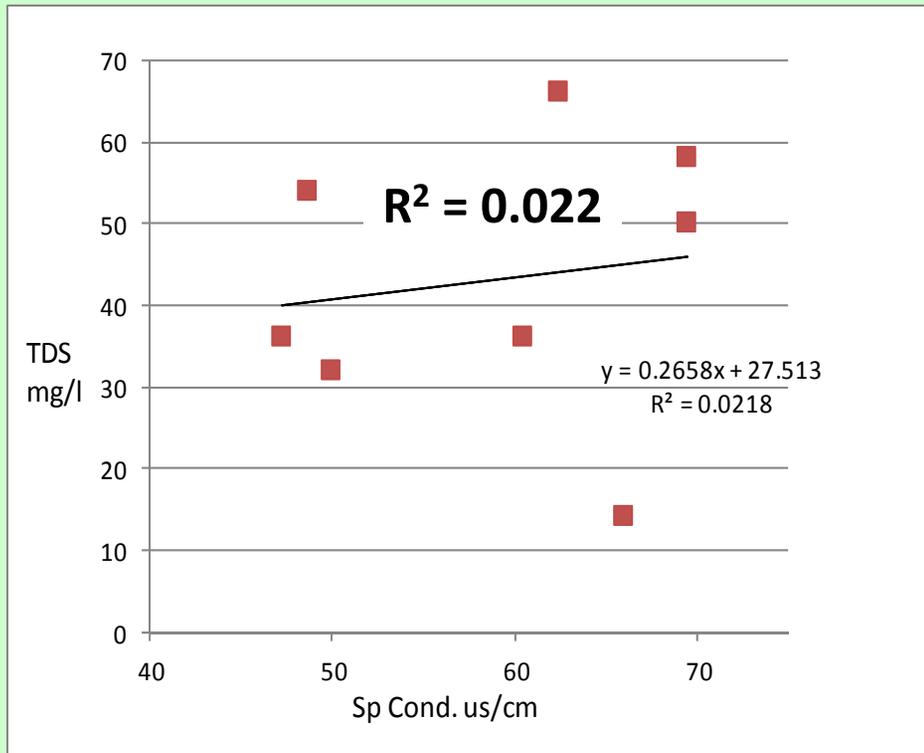
- **Importance of field form documentation for corrections and data interpretation**
 - Sediment fouling – product of deployment methodology
 - Sensor integrity – operation and life span
- **Identifying data needs vs. equipment and supplies used**
 - Turbidity Calibration Standard
 - Depth/Discharge

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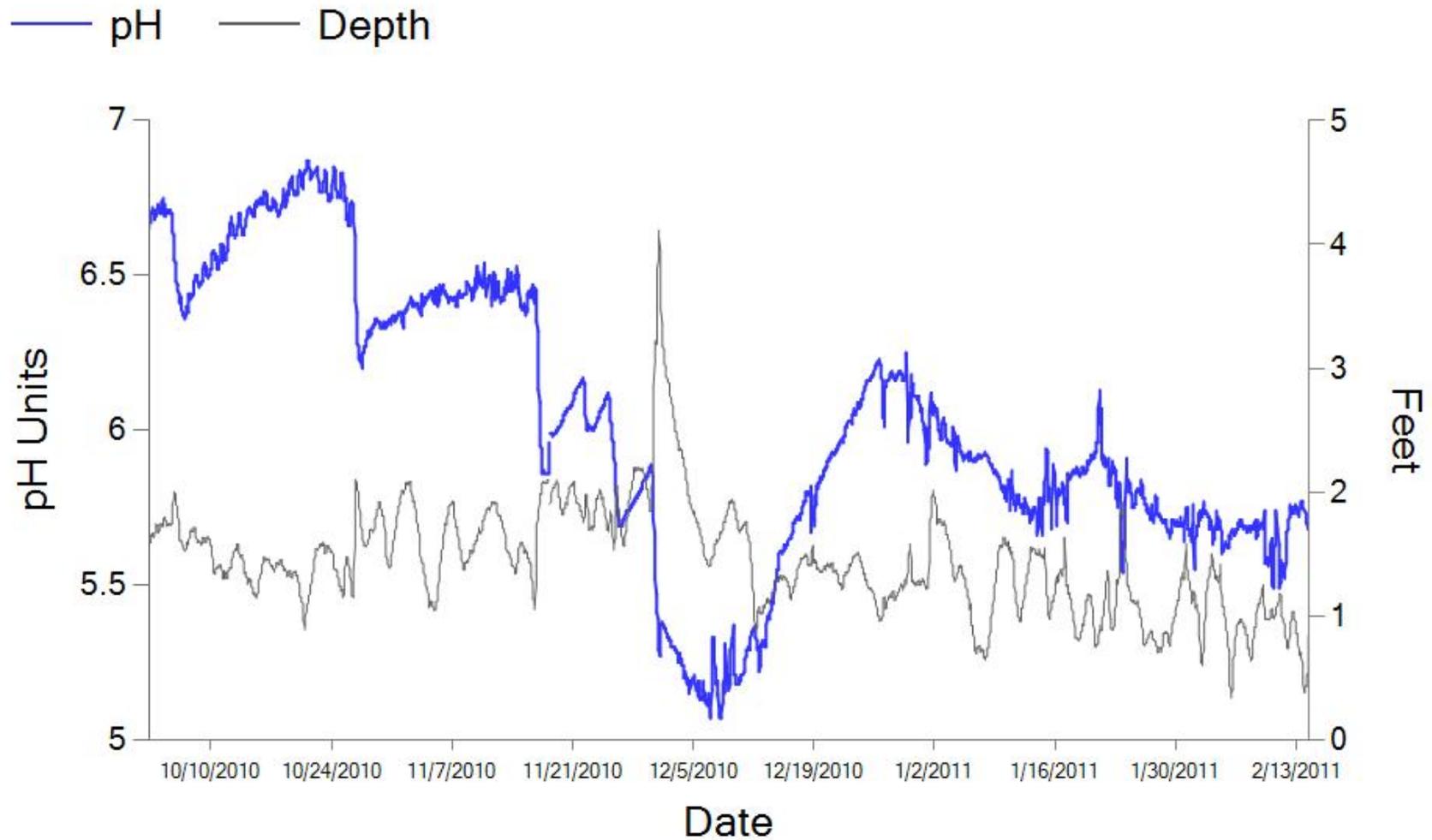
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Relating TDS to Specific Conductance



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Characterizing acid deposition issues



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Wetsuit jackets and gloves are great for cold weather field checks!!!



Questions?

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