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EPA REGION 8 QA DOCUMENT REVIEW CROSSWALK

QAPP/FSP/SAP for: <i>(check appropriate box)</i>	Entity (<i>grantee, contract, EPA AO, EPA Program, Other</i>)	Regulatory Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 CFR 1500 for Grantee/Cooperative Agreements
<input type="checkbox"/> GRANTEE	AR and BSB County	and/or	<input type="checkbox"/> 48 CFR 46 for Contracts
<input type="checkbox"/> CONTRACTOR			<input type="checkbox"/> Interagency Agreement (FFA, USGS,)
<input type="checkbox"/> EPA			<input type="checkbox"/> EPA/Court Order
<input type="checkbox"/> Other			<input type="checkbox"/> EPA Program Funding
Document Title <i>[Note: Title will be repeated in Header]</i>	BPSOU Final Reclaimed Areas Maintenance and Monitoring QAPP - 2021	Funding Mechanism	<input type="checkbox"/> EPA Program Regulation
QAPP/FSP/SAP Preparer	AR and BSB County		<input type="checkbox"/> EPA CIO 2105
Period of Performance <i>(of QAPP/FSP/SAP)</i>	2021-2022	Date Submitted for Review	6/25/2021
EPA Project Officer EPA Project Manager	Nikia Greene	PO Phone # PM Phone #	
QA Program Reviewer or Approving Official	Nikia Greene	Date of Review	8/16/2021

Documents Submitted for QAPP Review (QA Reviewer must complete):

1. QA Document(s) submitted for review:

QA Document	Document Date	Document Stand-alone	Document with QAPP
QAPP	6/25/2021	Yes / No	
FSP		Yes / No	Yes / No
SAP		Yes / No	Yes / No
SOP(s)	(attached)		Yes / No

2. WP/SOW/TO/PP/RP Date _____
WP/SOW/TO/RP Performance Period _____

3. QA document consistent with the:
 WP/SOW/PP for grants? Yes / No
 SOW/TO for contracts? Yes / No

4. QARF signed by R8 QAM Yes / No / NA
Funding Mechanism IA / contract / grant / NA
Amount _____

Notes for Document Submittals:

- A QAPP written by a Grantee, EPA, or Federal Partner must include for review: Work Plan(WP) / Statement of Work (SOW) / Program Plan (PP) / Research Proposal (RP) and funding mechanism
- A QAPP written by Contractor must include for review:
 - Copy of Task Order Work Assignment/SOW
 - Reference to a hard or electronic copy of the contractor’s approved QMP
 - Copy of Contract SOW if no QMP has been approved
 - Copy of EPA/Court Order, if applicable
 - The QA Review must determine (with the EPA CO or PO) if a QARF was completed for the environmental data activity described in the QAPP.
- Field Sampling Plan (FSP) and/or Sampling & Analyses Plan (SAP) must include the Project QAPP or must be a stand-alone QA document that contain all QAPP required elements (Project Management, Data Generation/Acquisition, Assessment and Oversight, and Data Validation and Usability).
 - SOPs must be submitted with a QA document that contains all QAPP required elements.

Summary of Comments (highlight significant concerns/issues):

- The AR and BSB County **must address the comments in the Summary of Comments, as well as those identified in the Comment section(s) that includes a**

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<p>“Response (date)” and Resolved (date)”.</p> <p>2. AR and BSB submitted an older version of the QAPP crosswalk, therefore this crosswalk was revised to include the most updated version (Update #6 7-2017).</p> <p>3. Please provide a clear reference for the BPSOU Monitoring and Maintenance Plan (M&M Plan) referred to in Section 1.0 Introduction and where the document is located.</p> <p>Some Page/Section location references were revised to include correct locations of required text/information.</p>			
Element	Acceptable <i>Yes/No/NA</i>	Page/ Section	Comments
A. Project Management			
A1. Title and Approval Sheet			
a. Contains project title	Yes	Title page and page i	EPA: No comments
b. Date and revision number line (for when needed)	Yes	Title page and page i	EPA: No comments
c. Indicates organization’s name	Yes	Title page	EPA: No comments
d. Date and signature line for organization’s project manager	Yes	Page i	EPA: No comments
e. Date and signature line for organization’s QA manager	No	Page i	EPA: 2018 Crosswalk lists an EPA comment stating to add “Quality Assurance Approval Official” to Nikia Greene’s signature line. For this 2021 QAPP please add “Delegated Approving Officer” to the signature line. Atlantic Richfield Response: The requested text has been added.
f. Other date and signatures lines, as needed	Yes	Page i	EPA: No comments
A2. Table of Contents			
a. Lists QA Project Plan information sections	Yes	Pages v to vii	EPA: No comments
b. Document control information indicated	Yes	Page vii	EPA: No comments
A3. Distribution List			
Includes all individuals who are to receive a copy of the QA Project Plan and identifies their organization	Yes	Pages ii to iv	EPA: No comments
A4. Project/Task Organization			
a. Identifies key individuals involved in all major aspects of the project, including contractors	Yes	Sections 2.0 through 2.3	EPA: No comments
b. Discusses their responsibilities	Yes	Sections 2.0 through 2.3	EPA: No comments
c. Project QA Manager position indicates independence from unit generating data	Yes	Section 2.2, Figure 2	EPA: No comments

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d. Identifies individual responsible for maintaining the official, approved QA Project Plan	Yes	Section 2.3	EPA: No comments
e. Organizational chart shows lines of authority and reporting responsibilities	No	Figure 2	EPA: Please add text “Figure 2” to BPSOU Reclaimed Areas Program Organization and Communication Structure Atlantic Richfield Response: The requested text has been added.
A5. Problem Definition/Background			
a. States decision(s) to be made, actions to be taken, or outcomes expected from the information to be obtained	Yes	Sections 1.0 and 2.4	EPA: No comments
b. Clearly explains the reason (site background or historical context) for initiating this project	Yes	Sections 2.4 and 2.5	EPA: No comments
c. Identifies regulatory information, applicable criteria, action limits, etc. necessary to the project	Yes	Sections 2.4 and 2.5	EPA: No comments
A6. Project/Task Description			
a. Summarizes work to be performed, for example, measurements to be made, data files to be obtained, etc., that support the project=s goals	Yes	Section 2.5	EPA: No comments
b. Provides work schedule indicating critical project points, e.g., start and completion dates for activities such as sampling, analysis, data or file reviews, and assessments	Yes	Section 2.5	EPA: No comments
c. Details geographical locations to be studied, including maps where possible	Yes	Section 2.5	EPA: No comments
d. Discusses resource and time constraints, if applicable	Yes	Section 2.5	EPA: No comments
A7. Quality Objectives and Criteria			
a. Identifies - performance/measurement criteria for all information to be collected and acceptance criteria for information obtained from previous studies, - including project action limits and laboratory detection limits and - range of anticipated concentrations of each parameter of interest	Yes	Section 2.6	EPA: No comments
b. Discusses precision	Yes	Section 2.6.2	EPA: No comments
c. Addresses bias	Yes	Section 2.6.2	EPA: No comments
d. Discusses representativeness	Yes	Section 2.6.2	EPA: No comments
e. Identifies the need for completeness	Yes	Section 2.6.2	EPA: No comments

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f. Describes the need for comparability	Yes	Section 2.6.2	EPA: No comments
g. Discusses desired method sensitivity	Yes	Section 2.6.2	EPA: No comments
A8. Special Training/Certifications			
a. Identifies any project personnel specialized training or certifications	Yes	Section 2.7	EPA: No comments
b. Discusses how this training will be provided	Yes	Section 2.7	EPA: No comments
c. Indicates personnel responsible for assuring training/certifications are satisfied	Yes	Section 2.7	EPA: No comments
d. identifies where this information is documented	Yes	Section 2.7	EPA: No comments
A9. Documentation and Records			
a. Identifies report format and summarizes all data report package information	Yes	Section 2.8	EPA: No comments
b. Lists all other project documents, records, and electronic files that will be produced	Yes	Section 2.8	EPA: No comments
c. Identifies where project information should be kept and for how long	Yes	Section 2.8	EPA: No comments
d. Discusses back up plans for records stored electronically	Yes	Section 2.8	EPA: No comments
e. States how individuals identified in A3 will receive the most current copy of the approved QA Project Plan, identifying the individual responsible for this	Yes	Section 2.8	EPA: No comments
B. Data Generation/Acquisition			
B1. Sampling Process Design (Experimental Design)			
a. Describes and justifies design strategy, indicating size of the area, volume, or time period to be represented by a sample	Yes	Section 3.3	EPA: No comments
b. Details the type and total number of sample types/matrix or test runs/trials expected and needed	Yes	Section 3.3	EPA: No comments
c. Indicates where samples should be taken, how sites will be identified/located	Yes	Section 3.3.1, Attachment 1	EPA: No comments
d. Discusses what to do if sampling sites become inaccessible	NA	NA	EPA: This is not an anticipated issue.
e. Identifies project activity schedules such as each sampling event, times samples should be sent to the laboratory, etc.	Yes	Section 2.5.1 and 2.5.2.1	EPA: No comments
f. Specifies what information is critical and what is for informational purposes only	Yes	Section 3.2	EPA: No comments

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g. Identifies sources of variability and how this variability should be reconciled with project information	Yes	Step 6	EPA: No comments
B2. Sampling Methods			
a. Identifies all sampling SOPs by number, date, and regulatory citation, indicating sampling options or modifications to be taken	Yes	Section 3.3	EPA: No comments
b. Indicates how each sample/matrix type should be collected	Yes	Section 3.3.1	EPA: No comments
c. If in situ monitoring, indicates how instruments should be deployed and operated to avoid contamination and ensure maintenance of proper data	NA	NA	EPA: No in-situ instruments will be deployed
d. If continuous monitoring, indicates averaging time and how instruments should store and maintain raw data, or data averages	NA	NA	EPA: No continuous monitoring instruments will be deployed
e. Indicates how samples are to be homogenized, composited, split, or filtered, if needed	Yes	Section 3.4.1	EPA: No comments
f. Indicates what sample containers and sample volumes should be used	Yes	Section 3.3.1 and 3.6.1	EPA: No comments
g. Identifies whether samples should be preserved and indicates methods that should be followed	Yes	Section 3.3.1	EPA: No comments
h. Indicates whether sampling equipment and samplers should be cleaned and/or decontaminated, identifying how this should be done and by-products disposed of	Yes	Section 3.4.4.1	EPA: No comments
i. Identifies any equipment and support facilities needed	Yes	Section 3.5.1	EPA: No comments
j. Addresses actions to be taken when problems occur, identifying individual(s) responsible for corrective action and how this should be documented	Yes	Section 3.11	EPA: No comments
B3. Sample Handling and Custody			
a. States maximum holding times allowed from sample collection to extraction and/or analysis for each sample type and, for in-situ or continuous monitoring, the maximum time before retrieval of information	Yes	Section 3.4.2	EPA: No comments
b. Identifies how samples or information should be physically handled, transported, and then received and held in the laboratory or office (including temperature upon receipt)	Yes	Section 3.4.2	EPA: No comments

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c. Indicates how sample or information handling and custody information should be documented, such as in field notebooks and forms, identifying individual responsible	Yes	Section 3.4.2	EPA: No comments
d. Discusses system for identifying samples, for example, numbering system, sample tags and labels, and attaches forms to the plan	Yes	Section 3.4	EPA: No comments
e. Identifies chain-of-custody procedures and includes form to track custody	Yes	Section 3.4.2	EPA: No comments
B4. Analytical Methods			
a. Identifies all analytical SOPs (field, laboratory and/or office) that should be followed by number, date, and regulatory citation, indicating options or modifications to be taken, such as sub-sampling and extraction procedures	Yes	Section 3.3.1 and 3.5	EPA: No comments
b. Identifies equipment or instrumentation needed	Yes	Section 3.3.2	EPA: No comments
c. Specifies any specific method performance criteria	Yes	Section 3.4.3 and 3.5	EPA: No comments
d. Identifies procedures to follow when failures occur, identifying individual responsible for corrective action and appropriate documentation	Yes	Section 3.5	EPA: No comments
e. Identifies sample disposal procedures	Yes	Section 3.4.3	EPA: No comments
f. Specifies laboratory turnaround times needed	Yes	Section 3.5	EPA: No comments
g. Provides method validation information and SOPs for nonstandard methods	Yes	Section 5.0	EPA: No comments
B5. Quality Control			
a. For each type of sampling, analysis, or measurement technique, identifies QC activities which should be used, for example, blanks, spikes, duplicates, etc., and at what frequency	Yes	Section 3.3.1 and 3.7	EPA: No comments
b. Details what should be done when control limits are exceeded, and how effectiveness of control actions will be determined and documented	Yes	Section 3.7.2	EPA: No comments
c. Identifies procedures and formulas for calculating applicable QC statistics, for example, for precision, bias, outliers and missing data	Yes	Section 2.8.7	EPA: No comments
B6. Instrument/Equipment Testing, Inspection, and Maintenance			

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a. Identifies field and laboratory equipment needing periodic maintenance, and the schedule for this	Yes	Section 3.8	EPA: No comments
b. Identifies testing criteria	Yes	Section 3.8	EPA: No comments
c. Notes availability and location of spare parts	Yes	Section 3.8	EPA: No comments
d. Indicates procedures in place for inspecting equipment before usage	Yes	Section 3.8	EPA: No comments
e. Identifies individual(s) responsible for testing, inspection and maintenance	Yes	Section 3.8	EPA: No comments
f. Indicates how deficiencies found should be resolved, re-inspections performed, and effectiveness of corrective action determined and documented	Yes	Section 3.8	EPA: No comments
B7. Instrument/Equipment Calibration and Frequency			
a. Identifies equipment, tools, and instruments that should be calibrated and the frequency for this calibration	Yes	Section 3.7.5	EPA: No comments
b. Describes how calibrations should be performed and documented, indicating test criteria and standards or certified equipment	Yes	Section 3.7	EPA: No comments
c. Identifies how deficiencies should be resolved and documented	Yes	Section 3.7.2	EPA: No comments
B8. Inspection/Acceptance for Supplies and Consumables			
a. Identifies critical supplies and consumables for field and laboratory, noting supply source, acceptance criteria, and procedures for tracking, storing and retrieving these materials	Yes	Section 3.9	EPA: No comments
b. Identifies the individual(s) responsible for this	Yes	Section 3.9	EPA: No comments
B9. Use of Existing Data (Non-direct Measurements)			
a. Identifies data sources, for example, computer databases or literature files, or models that should be accessed and used	Yes	Section 3.10	EPA: No comments
b. Describes the intended use of this information and the rationale for their selection, i.e., its relevance to project	Yes	Section 3.10	EPA: No comments
c. Indicates the acceptance criteria for these data sources and/or models	Yes	Section 3.10	EPA: No comments
d. Identifies key resources/support facilities needed	Yes	Section 3.10	EPA: No comments

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e. Describes how limits to validity and operating conditions should be determined, for example, internal checks of the program and Beta testing	Yes	Section 3.10	EPA: No comments
B10. Data Management			
a. Describes data management scheme from field to final use and storage	Yes	Section 3.11	EPA: No comments
b. Discusses standard record-keeping and tracking practices, and the document control system or cites other written documentation such as SOPs	Yes	Section 3.11, Attachment 3.51	EPA: No comments
c. Identifies data handling equipment/procedures that should be used to process, compile, analyze, and transmit data reliably and accurately	Yes	Section 3.11, Attachment 3.51	EPA: No comments
d. Identifies individual(s) responsible for this	Yes	Section 3.11	EPA: No comments
e. Describes the process for data archival and retrieval	Yes	Section 3.11, Attachment 3.51	EPA: No comments
f. Describes procedures to demonstrate acceptability of hardware and software configurations	Yes	Section 3.11	EPA: No comments
g. Attaches checklists and forms that should be used	Yes	Section 3.11, Attachment 3.51	EPA: No comments
C. Assessment and Oversight			
C1. Assessments and Response Actions			
a. Lists the number, frequency, and type of assessment activities that should be conducted, with the approximate dates	Yes	Section 4.0	EPA: No comments
b. Identifies individual(s) responsible for conducting assessments, indicating their authority to issue stop work orders, and any other possible participants in the assessment process	Yes	Section 4.0	EPA: No comments
c. Describes how and to whom assessment information should be reported	Yes	Section 4.1 and 4.2	EPA: No comments
d. Identifies how corrective actions should be addressed and by whom, and how they should be verified and documented	Yes	Section 4.1 and 4.2	EPA: No comments
C2. Reports to Management			

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a. Identifies what project QA status reports are needed and how frequently	Yes	Section 4.3	EPA: No comments
b. Identifies who should write these reports and who should receive this information	Yes	Section 4.3	EPA: No comments
D. Data Validation and Usability			
D1. Data Review, Verification, and Validation			
Describes criteria that should be used for accepting, rejecting, or qualifying project data	Yes	Section 5.0	EPA: No comments
D2. Verification and Validation Methods			
a. Describes process for data verification and validation, providing SOPs and indicating what data validation software should be used, if any	No	Section 5.0	EPA: Please correct reference for the <i>National Functional Guidelines for Inorganic Superfund Methods Data Review (EPA, 2016b)</i> . The most current version should be dated as November 2020. Atlantic Richfield Response: The requested update has been made.
b. Identifies who is responsible for verifying and validating different components of the project data/information, for example, chain-of-custody forms, receipt logs, calibration information, etc.	Yes	Section 5.0	EPA: No comments
c. Identifies issue resolution process, and method and individual responsible for conveying these results to data users	Yes	Section 5.0	EPA: No comments
d. Attaches checklists, forms, and calculations	Yes	Section 5.0	EPA: No comments
D3. Reconciliation with User Requirements			
a. Describes procedures to evaluate the uncertainty of the validated data	Yes	Section 5.0	EPA: No comments
b. Describes how limitations on data use should be reported to the data users	Yes	Section 5.0	EPA: No comments