

Welcome
Environmental Laboratory
Technical Advisory
Committee

August 24, 2016

Accomplishments from Last Meeting

- You reached a recommendation on FOT lists
 - ELAP should certify pm a per-analyte basis from the list of published methods
 - Additions to the list should come from regulatory agencies
- You reached a recommendation on ELAP's technical standard
 - Will consist of all approved methods in the FOT lists and any additions by regulatory agencies
 - We have accepted
- Voted to support the development of a quality management system as a condition of accreditation for California
 - We agree
 - There are additional questions to answer today.

Primary Focus of Today's Meeting

- California's Quality Management System
 - Presentations on five different options
- Discussion and Recommendation
 - We need a finalized recommendation by the end of the day

ITEM 1

Call to Order/Roll Call

ITEM 2

Public Comments on Items Not on Agenda

ITEM 3
Summary of July 27, 2016
Meeting and
Approval of Minutes

ITEM 4

DELAPO Report

Christine Sotelo, CA ELAP

ELAP Progress

- Enhancing Resources
 - Assessment staff attended technical sessions at National Environmental Monitoring Conference (NEMC)
 - Emerging environmental laboratory accreditation assessor issues
- Communications
 - NEMC requested we hold a session to present different perspectives on the changes to CA ELAP
 - We were able to communicate with other state programs to gain perspective and learn

Upcoming Changes to Drinking Water reporting requirements

- Division of Drinking Water will change its reporting requirements
- Laboratories will be required to report directly to SDWIS within 3 years
 - New reporting formats will be necessary
 - “Write-On” is obsolete
- Phased in approach
 - Begin with lead and copper – 1st quarter 2017

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Unfinished Business

Laboratory Accreditation Standard – Quality
Management System

Quality Management Systems Presentations

- Before lunch – Quality Management Systems Presentations
 - Standards in Existing Regulations – Miriam Ghabour
 - US EPA Quality Systems – David Kimbrough
 - The TNI Standard – Allison Mackenzie
 - The TNI Standard – “Light” Version – Christine Sotelo
 - Other – No scheduled speaker
- After lunch – Discussion and recommendation

Recommendation Components

- Which Quality Management System should ELAP require as a condition of accreditation?
- What is an appropriate implementation schedule?
- What training and assistance should ELAP provide to laboratories?

ITEM 6

Close

Review Action Items