

# Air Monitoring Summary Tables

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**Project Name: Biolabs Chlorine Fire**



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Station 2 - Mammy's							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	654	1	0-96 ppb	0.15 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	654	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1308	894	0-0.40 ppm	0.08 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg
SPM Flex	HYDROGEN CHLORIDE (HCL)	No	7702	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	1.8 ppm 1hr avg

Station 8- Iris Drive SW Near Pyro Fireworks							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	765	0	0-0 ppb	0 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	765	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1530	674	0-0.20 ppm	0.05 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg
SPM Flex	HYDROGEN CHLORIDE (HCL)	No	13606	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	1.8 ppm 1hr avg

Station 10 - Gated Community Near Rockdale Plaza Shopping Center							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	691	10	0-11 ppb	0.07 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	691	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1382	760	0-0.40 ppm	0.17 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg

Station 11 -Patrick & Associates Inc							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	765	606	0-94 ppb	54.04 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	CL2	No	1530	642	0-0.60 ppm	0.10 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg
SPM Flex	HYDROGEN CHLORIDE (HCL)	No	13525	131	0-0.03 ppm	0.00 ppm	1.8 ppm 1hr avg

Station 13- Intersection of Old Covington Highway and 3rd Avenue							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	767	0	0-0 ppb	0 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	CL2	No	1534	1034	0-0.30 ppm	0.15 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg
SPM Flex	HYDROGEN CHLORIDE (HCL)	No	13530	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	1.8 ppm 1hr avg

Station 14 - Smyrna Road							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	661	409	0-117 ppb	45.45 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	661	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1322	796	0-0.30 ppm	0.14 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg
SPM Flex	HYDROGEN CHLORIDE (HCL)	No	8538	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	1.8 ppm 1hr avg

Station 16 - Corner of General Arts and Farmers Rd							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	610	469	0-39 ppb	16.42 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	610	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1220	1004	0-0.30 ppm	0.15 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg

Station 17 - Lester Biolab							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	767	479	0-46 ppb	16.53 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	767	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1534	870	0-0.40 ppm	0.10 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg

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Station 18 - Dogwood and VSW Checkpoint							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	756	1	0-451 ppb	0.60 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	756	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1512	712	0-0.30 ppm	0.05 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg
SPM Flex	HYDROGEN CHLORIDE (HCL)	No	9156	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	1.8 ppm 1hr avg

Station 19 - Rockdale & Old Cov Hwy Checkpoint							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	VOC	No	612	7	0-171 ppb	0.33 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	612	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1224	894	0-0.30 ppm	0.17 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg

Station 21 - Railroad Crossing Checkpoint							
Instrument	Analyte	Action Level Exceedance?	Number of Readings	Number of Detections	Concentration Range	Period Average	Action Level
AreaRAE Pro	CL2	No	1534	650	0-0.40 ppm	0.08 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg

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Notes:

% Percent

< Less than

> Greater than

AEGL Acute Exposure Guideline Levels for Airborne Chemicals

C/m Counts (ionization events) per minute

µg/m<sup>3</sup> Micrograms per cubic meter

min Minute

PAC Protective Action Criteria

PEL Permissible exposure limit

ppb Parts per billion

ppm Parts per million

PM Particulate matter

**SOG** Standard Operating Guidelines

SPM Single Point Monitor

TEEL Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit

TLV Threshold limit value

Analyte

### Definition

### Action Level Reference

CL2

## Chlorine

AEGL-1 1hr avg

H<sub>2</sub>S

## Hydrogen Sulfide

AEGL-1 1hr avg

HYDROGEN CHLORIDE	Hydrogen Chloride
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AEGL-1 1hr avg

VOC

Volatile Organic  
Compounds

AEGL-1 8hr (for benzene)

# Air Monitoring Summary Tables – Review

**Project Name:** Bio Lab Chlorine



The EPA uses air monitoring instruments with real-time alerts to track air quality during an emergency response. This air monitoring summary table report is used by EPA and local responders to review the thousands of measurements that can be collected in a single day.

The following is a review of station results for the time period from 5:00am on 10/17/2024 to 5:00pm on 10/17/2024:

- **Station 2:** From 5:00am to 10:00am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.4ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.1ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.10ppm.
- **Station 8:** No issues observed.
- **Station 10:** From 5:00am to 9:00am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.4ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.3ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.29ppm.
- **Station 11:** From 5:00am to 9:30am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.6ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.2ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.16ppm.
- **Station 13:** From 5:00am to 10:30am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.3ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.2ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.21ppm.
- **Station 14:** From 5:00am to 9:30am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.3ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.2ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.22ppm.
- **Station 16:** From 5:00am to 10:00am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.3ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.2ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.20ppm.
- **Station 17:** From 5:00am to 9:30am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.4ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.2ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.16ppm.
- **Station 18:** From 5:00am to 10:00am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.3ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.1ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.10ppm.
- **Station 19:** From 5:00am to 9:30am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.3ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.2ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.21ppm.
- **Station 21:** From 5:00am to 8:30am there were sustained measurements of Cl<sub>2</sub> with a peak of 0.4ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.2ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.16ppm.

# Air Monitoring Summary Tables – Explanation of Tables



**Project Name:** Bio Lab Chlorine

The following information is provided in each report:

- **Station** – at the top of each table is a name and location for each air monitoring station. These are mobile stations that may change over time and new station numbers are established. Previously used station numbers will not appear on this report.
- **Instrument** – this is the model of instrument being used to measure the air. Some stations may use multiple instruments, and some instruments may measure multiple things at once
- **Analyte** – these are the chemicals or other compounds that the instrument is measuring:
  - **VOC:** Volatile Organic Compounds; this is not a specific chemical but includes a long list of possible chemicals, many of which have strong odors
  - **CO:** Carbon Monoxide; this compound is commonly associated with combustion (i.e. fires)
  - **H<sub>2</sub>S:** Hydrogen Sulfide; this is a default sensor for the instrument and is used for industrial safety
  - **LEL:** Lower-Explosive Limit; this is a default sensor for the instrument and is used for industrial safety
  - **O<sub>2</sub>:** Oxygen; this is a default sensor for the instrument and is used for industrial safety
  - **Cl<sub>2</sub>:** Chlorine; chlorine gas is an inhalation hazard with a pungent suffocating odor and is a contaminant of concern for the site
  - **HCl:** Hydrogen Chloride; a corrosive gas with a sharp, pungent odor and is a contaminant of concern for the site
  - **COCl<sub>2</sub>:** Phosgene; a potential combustion product that EPA monitors for at chemical and industrial fires
- **Action Level Exceedance** – is an easy-to-read determination whether one of the Action Levels in the column on the right **may have** been exceeded. The action levels are based on *averages over time* but this column may say “Yes” whenever a single measurement exceeds that number. This helps responders assess whether further protective measures are needed.
- **Number of Readings** – the number of measurements collected by the sensor, usually collected once every second or every minute.
- **Number of Detections** – the number of measurements greater than zero
- **Concentration Range** – the minimum and maximum measurement that was collected
- **Period Average** – the average measurement for the entire collection period
- **Action Levels** – based on the most protective AEGLs (Acute Exposure Guideline Levels) which are used by emergency responders when dealing with chemical spills or other exposures and describe the human health effects from once-in-a-lifetime, or rare, exposure to airborne chemicals. Further information is available at [EPA.gov/AEGL](http://EPA.gov/AEGL).