



## Surface Water Microbial Source Tracking Trials

### Laboratory Contact Information

*\*Recommend contacting Ms. Diana Low at the lab in advance of sample delivery.*

**Contact:** Diana Low, Laboratory Coordinator  
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**Address:** 511 Westinghouse Road, Pendleton, SC 29670  
(At the corner of Westinghouse Road and Lebanon Road)  
**Receiving hours:** Monday – Friday (excluding holidays)  
8:00 a.m. – noon and 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Samples can be delivered to the back door of the facility by the loading dock. Sign by back door reads “Plant Problem Clinic”. Ring doorbell and wait for laboratory staff. Coolers should not be left outside or on the loading dock, unless that has been discussed with laboratory staff.

### Sample Submission Form and Payment

- A completed Sample Submission Form must accompany every sample, and this should be provided to each client following authorization of the Technical Services Agreement.
- For more information on the Technical Services Agreement, please contact Ms. Katie Buckley at 864-646-2158.

### Preservation of Sample Vitality

These analyses require live organisms for best results. Therefore, the following information has been developed for the best quality of sample at the time of receipt to the lab.

- Samples should be stored in labeled, leak-proof, sterile sample bottles of volume of 250 mL or more.
- Label bottles with Sample ID before sample is poured or collected.
- Once collected, bottle lids should be secured, bottle wiped down with paper towels, wrapped in abundant paper towels, and placed in a zip lock bag.
- **Ice packs should not be directly in contact with samples** and should also be stored in zip lock bags.
- Samples should be placed in a clean and secure cooler. Coolers should maintain samples at 40-50 degrees Fahrenheit. There should not be so many ice packs and contact between ice packs and bottles that samples are allowed to freeze.
- Samples should be delivered to the lab within 6 hours of collection for best results. See hours above.

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