

Air Monitoring Summary Tables

The table below summarize monitoring data collected on using EPA's Viper wireless remote monitoring system.

Project Name: Biolabs Chlorine Fire

From: 10/6/24
5:00 AM

To: 10/6/24
5:00 PM



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	750	274	0-123 ppb	17.90 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	750	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1500	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg
SPM Flex	HYDROGEN CHLORIDE (HCL)	No	12500	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	1.8 ppm 1hr avg
SPM Flex	PHOSGENE (COCL2)	No	13828	0	0-0 ppb	0 ppb	300 ppb 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	767	241	0-829 ppb	47.37 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	767	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1534	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.5 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	736	405	0-73 ppb	22.96 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	736	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1472	0	0-0 ppm	0 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	677	338	0-92 ppb	31.81 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	677	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	Yes	1354	70	0-2.60 ppm	0.05 ppm	0.5 ppm 1hr avg
SPM Flex	PHOSGENE (COCL2)	No	13783	184	0-3 ppb	0.03 ppb	300 ppb 1hr avg
SPM Flex	HYDROGEN CHLORIDE (HCL)	No	957	315	0-0.135 ppm	0.019 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	738	62	0-8 ppb	0.24 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	738	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1476	84	0-0.20 ppm	0.01 ppm	0.5 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	630	25	0-51 ppb	0.27 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	630	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1260	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.5 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	728	291	0-52 ppb	13.42 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	728	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1456	42	0-0.20 ppm	0.00 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	744	0	0-0 ppb	0 ppb	9000 ppb 8hr avg
	H2S	No	744	0	0-0 ppm	0 ppm	0.51 ppm 1hr avg
	CL2	No	1488	24	0-0.20 ppm	0.00 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/m³ 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
	H2S	Hydrogen Sulfide	AEGL-1 1hr
	HYDROGEN CHLORIDE (HCl)	Hydrogen Chloride	AEGL-1 1hr
	PHOSGENE (COCl₂)	Phosgene (COCl₂)	AEGL-2 1hr
	VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds	AEGL-1 8hr

Air Monitoring Summary Tables – Review



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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 10/6/2024 to 5:00pm on 10/6/2024:

- **Station 2:** No issues observed
- **Station 8:** No issues observed
- **Station 10:** No issues observed
- **Station 11:** From 5:00am to 5:40am there were sustained measurements of Cl₂ with a peak of 2.6ppm; the maximum 1-hour average was 0.5ppm, the maximum 8-hour average was 0.88ppm.
- **Station 13:** No issues observed
- **Station 14:** No issues observed
- **Station 16:** No issues observed
- **Station 17:** No issues observed

Air Monitoring Summary Tables – Explanation of Tables



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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)
 - **H2S**: 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
 - **O2**: Oxygen; this is a default sensor for the instrument and is used for industrial safety
 - **Cl2**: 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
 - **COCl2**: 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.