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<	less than
>	greater than
°C	degrees Celsius
°F	degrees Fahrenheit
ABA	acid-base accounting
AGP	acid generating potential
aka	also known as
Al	aluminum
ANFO	ammonium nitrate/fuel oil
ANOVA	analyses of variance
ANP	acid neutralizing potential
APHA	American Public Health Association
ARD	acid rock drainage
AST	aboveground storage tank
ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials
ATSDR	Agency for Toxic Substances and Diseases Registry
AVS/SEM	acid volatile sulfides/simultaneously extracted metals
Ba	barium
BAF	bioaccumulation factor
BERA	Baseline Ecological Risk Assessment
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
BOD	biological oxygen demand
C&A	Chadwick & Associates, Inc.
Ca	calcium
CCR	California Code of Regulations
CEC	Chadwick Ecological Consultants, Inc.
cfs	cubic feet per second
Cl	chloride
CLP	Contract Laboratory Program

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cm	centimeter(s)
COC	chain of custody
COD	chemical oxygen demand
COPC	chemical of potential concern
CV	coefficient of variation
DBSM	Database Management System
DCM	DCM Science Laboratory, Inc.
DO	dissolved oxygen
DOC	dissolved organic carbon
DP	discharge permit
DRC	dynamic reaction cell
DRO	diesel range organics
DVR	data validation report
EA	exposure area
EBAM	Environmental Beta Attenuation Monitor
EDD	electronic data deliverables
EEA	ecological exposure area
Eh	reduction-oxidation potential
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
EPT taxa	Ephemeroptera, Plecoptera, Trichoptera
ESI	EnviroSystems, Incorporated
ET	evapotranspiration
ETO taxa	Ephemeroptera, Trichoptera, Odonates
F	fluoride
FA	Factor Analysis
Fe	iron
FEM	federal equivalent method
FGS	Frontier Geosciences, Inc.
FLT	field leachate test

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FRM	federal reference method
FS	Feasibility Study
FSP	Field Sampling Plan
Golder	Golder Associates, Inc.
g/L	grams per liter
gpm	gallons per minute
GPS	Global Positioning System
GRO	gasoline range organics
GSI	groundwater/surface water interaction
GWQB	Ground Water Quality Bureau
² H	stable isotope of hydrogen (or deuterium)
HCl	hydrochloric acid
HCT	humidity cell test
HDPE	high-density polyethylene
HF	hydrofluoric
HH	Human Health
HNO ₃	nitric acid
HRSR	high-resolution seismic reflection
Hz	hertz
IC ₂₅	inhibition (of growth) concentration at 25%
ICP	inductively coupled plasma
IDL	instrument detection limit
IDW	investigation-derived waste
ISCO	International Soil Conservation Organization
ISE	ion-selective electrode
K	potassium
km	kilometer
L/min	liter per minute
lbs/day	pounds per day

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LC ₅₀	50% lethal concentration
LMWL	local meteoric water line
M&E	maintenance and electrical
m	meter
µg/m	micrograms per meter
µL	microliter
µm	micrometer(s)
µS/cm	microSiemens per centimeter
meq/L	milliequivalents per liter
mg	milligram
ml	milliliter
mm	millimeter
mv	millivolt
mg/kg	milligrams per kilogram
mg/L	milligrams per liter
MAP	mean annual precipitation
MAY	mean annual yield
MDL	method detection level
MECS	Mining Environmental Compliance Section
MMD	Mining and Minerals Division
Mg	magnesium
Mn	manganese
Mo	molybdenum
MoS ₂	molybdenite
mph	miles per hour
MS/MSD	matrix spike/matrix spike duplicate
Na	sodium
NAAQS	National Ambient Air Quality Standards
NaCl	sodium chloride

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NANP	net acid neutralization potential
NASC	North American Shale Composite
NMAC	New Mexico Administrative Code
NMAQB	New Mexico Air Quality Bureau
NMDA	New Mexico Department of Agriculture
NMDGF	New Mexico Department of Game and Fish
NMED	New Mexico Environment Department
NNP	net neutralization potential
NOAEL	no observed adverse effect level
NOEC	no observed effects concentration
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NTU	nephelometric turbidity unit
¹⁸ O	stable isotopes of oxygen
PAG	potentially acid generating
PAH	polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbon
PCA	Principal Components Analysis
PCB	polychlorinated biphenyls
PCDDs	polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins
PCDFs	polychlorinated dibenzofurans
pdf	portable document format
pCi/L	pico Curies per liter
PID	photoionization detector
PHREEQC (version 2)	PHREEQC version 2 – computer program for simulating chemical reactions and transport processes in natural or polluted water
PHREEQE	pH redox equilibrium equations
PHREEQCI	USGS-developed computer code based on Fortran program PHREEQE
PM ₁₀	particulate matter 10 microns in size or smaller
PMSD	percent minimum significant difference

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PSCR	Preliminary Site Characterization Report
psi	pounds per square inch
PST	petroleum storage tank
PVC	polyvinyl chloride
QA	quality assurance
QAPP	Quality Assurance Project Plan
QC	quality control
RBC	risk-based concentration
redox	oxidation-reduction
RGC	Robertson GeoConsultants Inc.
RI	Remedial Investigation
RL	Reporting Limit
RPD	relative percent difference
SAP	Sampling and Analysis Plan
SAR	sodium adsorption ratio
SC	specific conductance
SE	standard error
Si	silica
SI	Slope Inclinometer
SIS	Seepage Interception System
SLC	Screening Level Criteria
SMA	Souder, Miller & Associates
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
SPLP	Synthetic Precipitation Leaching Procedure
SPRI	South Pass Resources, Inc.
SRK	SRK Consulting
STL	Severn Trent Laboratories
SU	standard unit
SVL	SVL Laboratories

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SVOC	semivolatile organic compound
t/kt	tons per kiloton (of rock)
TAL	target analyte list
TDS	total dissolved solids
TKN	total Kjeldahl nitrogen
TMDL	total maximum daily load
TOC	total organic carbon
TPH	total petroleum hydrocarbons
TRV	toxicity reference value
TSN	Taxonomic Serial Number
TSS	total suspended solids
UPL	Upper Prediction Limit
URS	URS Corporation
USDA	U.S. Department of Agriculture
USFS	U.S. Forest Service
USFWS	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
USGS	U. S. Geological Survey
UST	underground storage tank
UTL	Upper Tolerance Limit
VOA	volatile organic analysis
VOC	volatile organic compound
WDC	WDC Exploration and Wells
WIS	Wildlife Impact Study
WQCC	New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission
WRCC	Western Regional Climate Center
XRD	x-ray diffraction
YOY	young-of-the-year
YCT	yeast-Cerophyl-trout chow
Zn	zinc

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Length	
inches	2.54 E+01 millimeters (mm)
inches	2.54 centimeter (cm)
inches	2.54 E-02 meters (m)
feet	3.05 E+01 cm
feet	3.05 E-01 m
feet	3.05 E-04 kilometers (km)
yards	9.14 E+01 cm
yards	9.14 E-01 m
yards	9.14 E-04 km
mile (statute) (5,280 feet)	1.61 E+03 m
mile (statute) (5,280 feet)	1.61 km
Speed	
miles per hour	1.61 km/hour
Area	
square feet	9.29 E+02 square cm
square feet	9.29 E-02 square m
square yards	8.36 E-01 square m
square mile	2.59 square km
acres	4.05 E+03 square m
acres	4.05 E-03 square km
Volume	
acre-feet	1.23 E+03 cubic m
cubic feet	2.83 E+04 cubic cm
cubic feet	2.83 E-02 cubic m
gallons	3.79 liters
Mass	
ounce	28.3 grams
pound (16 ounces)	4.54 E-01 kilograms (kg)
ton (short = 2,000 pounds)	9.07 E+02 kg
ton (long = 2,240 pounds)	1.02 E+03 kg
ton (metric = 2,205 pounds)	1 E+03 kg

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Pressure	
pounds/square inch	6.89 E+03 pascal (Pa)
pounds/square inch	6.89 kilopascal (kPa)
Flow Rate	
cubic feet/second (cfs)	2.83 E-02 cubic meters/second
cubic feet/minute (cfm)	2.83 E+04 cubic cm/minute
gallons/minute (gpm)	3.79 liters/minute
gallons/day (gpd)	3.79 liters/day
Loading	
pounds/day (lbs/day)	4.54 E-01 kg/day
Hydraulic Units	
hydraulic conductivity (ft/day)	3.05 E-01 m/day
hydraulic conductivity (ft/day)	3.53 E-04 cm/s
transmissivity (ft ² /day)	9.29 E-02 m ² /day
transmissivity (gpd/ft)	1.24 E-02 m ² /day
Temperature	
temperature (°F)	(°F -32)/1.8 = °C