## In-situ Sampling Tips

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### Letting the probes acclimate

- Acclimation is a two step process
  - Let probes sit in water collected in 1 L wide-mouth white plastic bottle for at least 10 minutes.
  - Transfer to freshly collected water in red thermos bottle. Don't let this water sit too long! Five minutes should be enough time for the probes to stabilize. Check for drift!
- Check temperatures
  - Drift your last two readings should differ by no more than 0.1 degrees Celsius
  - Agreement between probes the final temperatures from the dissolved oxygen, conductivity, and pH probes should differ by no more than 0.5 degrees Celsius.

### In/Out

- Circling In or out refers to drift
- For an "In" example, view the DO% measurements to the right
- For an "Out" example, view the Temp measurements to the right
- In/Out not referring to whether the measurements are within normal range based on your percentile tables

Dissolved Oxygen Time Measured:				
	Sample Readings: Watch for drift in last two readings			
	Rep	DO% (drift <u>&lt;</u> 5%)	DO (mg/L) (drift <u>&lt;</u> 0.20)	Temp ( <u>°C</u> ) (drift <u>&lt;</u> 0.1)
	1	75.5		15.5
	2	75.4		15.2
	3	75.6		14.8
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	Drift		in / Out	
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# Keep calling us when you encounter unusual results !



- Based on percentile tables
  - In Master sampler book
  - On side of kit
- Updated annually
- Write down observations on the Comments section
- We call these unusual results in to the stormwater mangers

### Keep recording your observations!



- Keep using the comment section!
- Fill out your environmental observation section as much as you can!
- We review both of these sections closely when reviewing your data!

### Field Measurement Operations Sheet

- With suggestions from some of our volunteers, I have created a short instruction sheet for using the Orion Meter
- Easy to use in the field instead of reading multiple SOPs.
- Suggestions for other cheat sheets???

### Do not hesitate to call!



- Feel free to contact Kelly or myself regarding any needs or questions!
- If we don't know the answer off hand we will get you one!
- Lastly and most importantly, Thank you for all that you do!!!!